# Stats-Thesis2.Rmd

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```
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 library(dplyr)
 ##
 ## Attaching package: 'dplyr'
    The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
 ##
 ##
        filter, lag
 ## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
 ##
 ##
        intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
 library(ggplot2)
 library(plotly)
 ##
 ## Attaching package: 'plotly'
    The following object is masked from 'package:ggplot2':
 ##
        last plot
 ##
 ##
    The following object is masked from 'package:stats':
 ##
        filter
 ##
    The following object is masked from 'package:graphics':
 ##
 ##
 ##
        layout
 library(data.table)
```

```
##
## Attaching package: 'data.table'
```

```
## The following objects are masked from 'package:dplyr':
##
## between, first, last
```

```
library(Lahman)
library(stringr)
```

```
baseball <- fread("baseball.csv")</pre>
```

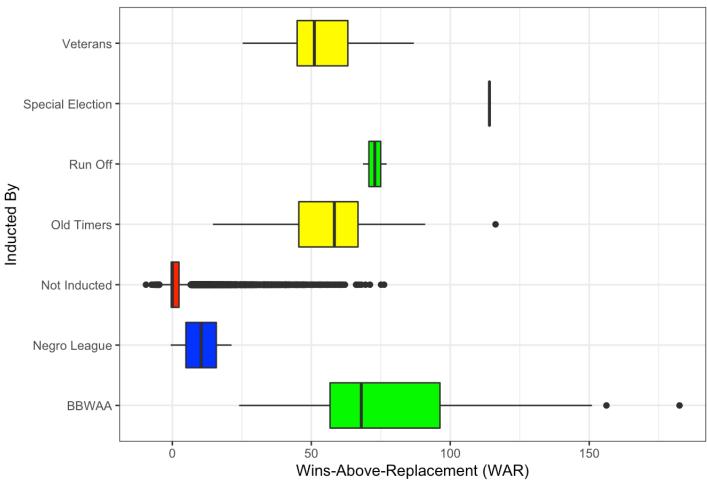
```
baseball[baseball$votedBy == "", "votedBy"] <- "Not Inducted"
baseball$votedBy2 <- baseball$votedBy
baseball[baseball$votedBy2 == "Old Timers", "votedBy2"] <- "Veterans"
baseball[baseball$votedBy2 == "Run Off", "votedBy2"] <- "BBWAA"
baseball[baseball$votedBy2 == "Special Election", "votedBy2"] <- "BBWAA"
baseball$preHOFEra <- baseball$finalGame < as.Date("1922-01-01")
#Create a training and testing set
# By date
# bb_train <- baseball %>% filter(finalGame < as.Date("1991-01-01"))
# bb_test <- baseball %>% filter(finalGame > as.Date("1991-01-01"))

# Random
baseball_res <- baseball %>% filter(finalGame < as.Date("2004-01-01"))
indeces = sort(sample(nrow(baseball_res), nrow(baseball_res)*.7))
bb_train <- baseball_res[indeces,]
bb_test <- baseball_res[-indeces,]</pre>
```

I've used the era from 1871 through 1990 as my training dataset because it is approximately 80% of the data available. Also, I avoid most players that are still in consideration for the Hall of Fame, so I am unlikely to falsely assume that they won't be inducted because they have not yet been.

```
ggplot(bb_train, aes(rWAR, votedBy)) + geom_boxplot(fill = c("green", "blue", "red",
   "yellow", "green", "green", "yellow")) + theme_bw() + labs(title = "Box Plots of WAR by
   path to Hall of Fame", y = "Inducted By", x = "Wins-Above-Replacement (WAR)")
```

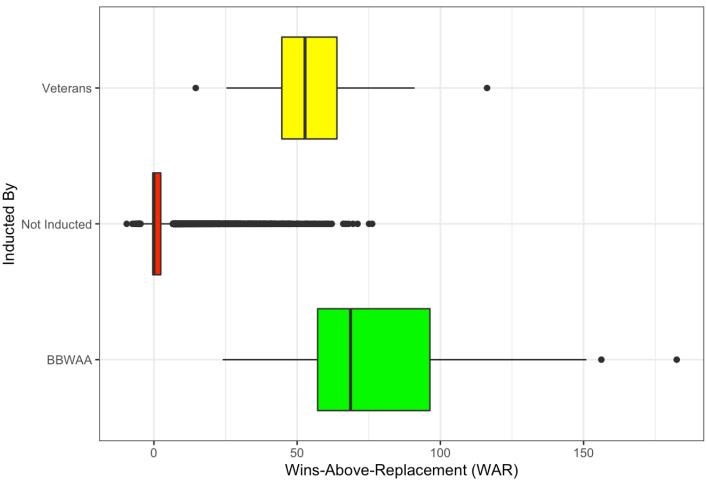




Although there are a lot of committees for induction to the Hall of Fame, they can be condensed. The BBWAA is the organization of sportswriters that vote in players that have retired 5-15 years prior. On two occasions (Lou Gehrig and Roberto Clemente), there have been a special election, which can be included under the BBWAA umbrella. Additionally, there is occasionally a run off where only the top voting result is inducted. This process can also be included under BBWAA. Generally after a player is passed on by the BBWAA (this rule has changed historically), they are still eligible for election under the Veterans committee. The first election for the Hall of Fame was in 1936, so a subcommittee of the Veterans committee, the Old Timers committee, was formed to fill in the gaps of older players. These categories can also be combined. Finally, although the Negro League is also a subcommittee of Veterans, I will consider them seperately. Because most of them did not play in the MLB, most of them do not have a WAR statistic. Those that joined the MLB during the integration era have a WAR, but joined the league part-way through their career, so their WAR only reflects a fraction of their career. For those reasons, I will remove the Negro League inductees for now.

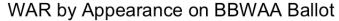
```
# Excludes Negro League players
bb_train <- bb_train %>% filter(!is.na(rWAR) & votedBy != "Negro League")
bb_test <- bb_test %>% filter(!is.na(rWAR) & votedBy != "Negro League")
ggplot(bb_train, aes(rWAR, votedBy2)) + geom_boxplot(fill = c("green", "red", "yellow
")) + theme_bw() + labs(title = "Box Plots of WAR by path to Hall of Fame", y = "Indu
cted By", x = "Wins-Above-Replacement (WAR)")
```

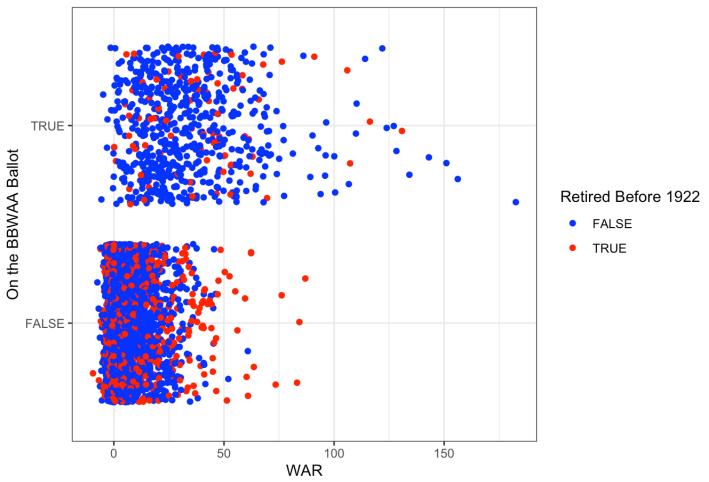
## Box Plots of WAR by path to Hall of Fame



WAR seems to generally be a good indicator of Hall of Fame status, but there is clearly more to the story. There are definitly some outliers on either side that need some explaining. Perhaps they deserve to be in the Hall of Fame or perhaps there is more to a player's Hall of Fame candidacy than their value, described by WAR. The first step to induction is to be nominated for the BBWAA Hall of Fame ballot (this is determined by a subcomittee of the association nowadays).

```
ggplot(bb_train, aes(rWAR, onBallot, color = preHOFEra)) + geom_jitter() + theme_bw()
+ labs(title = "WAR by Appearance on BBWAA Ballot", x = "WAR", y = "On the BBWAA Ball
ot", color = "Retired Before 1922") + scale_color_manual(values = c("blue", "red"))
```

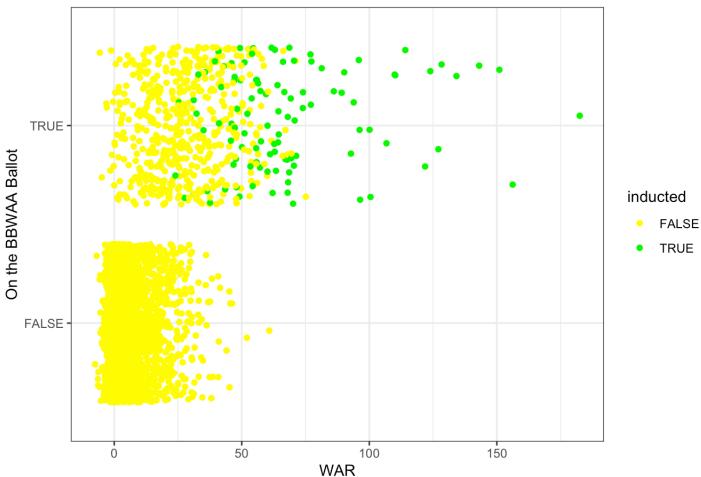




The blue points represent players that retired before the 1922 season. These players would be ineligible for the first HOF ballot in 1936 under today's standards. Some players from this era were considered, as the rules were not solidifed until much later. However, the Old Timers committee was created to address the issue of underrepresentation amoung the older era, so that would explain why the majority of the higher outliers for WAR that were not included on any BBWAA ballot are from this older era.

```
bb_train.HOFEra <- bb_train %>% filter(!preHOFEra)
ggplot(bb_train.HOFEra, aes(rWAR, onBallot, color = inducted)) + geom_jitter() + them
e_bw() + labs(title = "WAR by Appearance on BBWAA Ballot", x = "WAR", y = "On the BBW
AA Ballot") + scale_color_manual(values = c("yellow", "green"))
```





With the pre Hall of Fame players eliminated, the plot is slighlty improved. There is a pretty clear difference between those eventually inducted in the Hall of Fame and those that were not included on the ballot. However, there are still a significant amount of mediocre to just bad players, considered by WAR that were included on the ballot. Why was Tommy Thevenow included with a career 5.7 WAR? Let's see if a logistic regression can pick up on interesting trends.

```
mod1 <- glm(onBallot ~ rWAR, data = bb_train.HOFEra, family = "binomial")
summary(mod1)</pre>
```

```
##
## Call:
## glm(formula = onBallot ~ rWAR, family = "binomial", data = bb_train.HOFEra)
##
## Deviance Residuals:
##
       Min
                 10
                     Median
                                   3Q
                                           Max
## -3.6143 -0.1799 -0.1588 -0.1505
                                        3.2843
##
## Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept) -4.367163 0.102536 -42.59
                                              <2e-16 ***
## rWAR
                0.179232
                           0.005687
                                      31.52
                                              <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## (Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
##
##
       Null deviance: 4205.5 on 7166 degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 1845.7 on 7165 degrees of freedom
## AIC: 1849.7
##
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 7
```

```
b0 <- mod1$coefficients[1]
b1 <- mod1$coefficients[2]

get_prob_mod1 <- function(input){
   prob_new <- (exp(b0 + b1 * input)) / (1 + exp(b0 + b1 * input))
   names(prob_new) <- NULL
   return(prob_new)
}

plot_prob_mod1 <- function(input) {
   get_prob_mod1(input) + 1
}

(misclassification_rate <- sum(round(get_prob_mod1(bb_train.HOFEra$rWAR), 0) != bb_tr
   ain.HOFEra$onBallot) / dim(bb_train.HOFEra)[1])</pre>
```

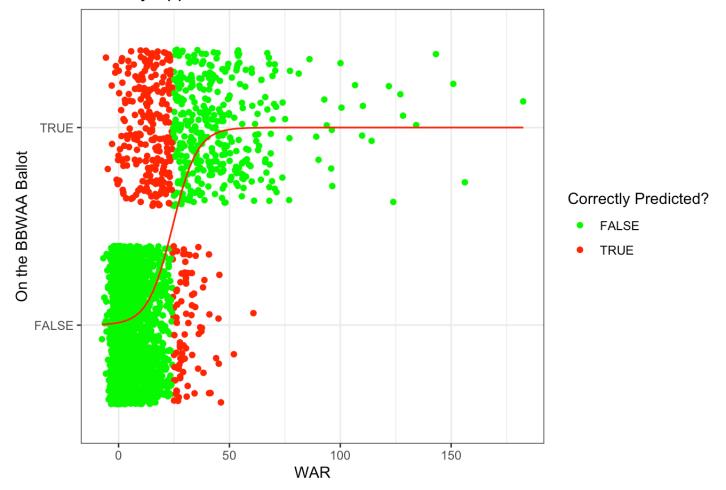
```
## [1] 0.04702107
```

bb\_train.HOFEra\$pred1\_cor <- round(get\_prob\_mod1(bb\_train.HOFEra\$rWAR), 0) != bb\_trai
n.HOFEra\$onBallot</pre>

ggplot(bb\_train.HOFEra, aes(rWAR, onBallot, color = bb\_train.HOFEra\$pred1\_cor)) + geo
m\_jitter() + theme\_bw() + labs(title = "WAR by Appearance on BBWAA Ballot", x = "WAR"
, y = "On the BBWAA Ballot", color = "Correctly Predicted?") + stat\_function(fun = pl
ot\_prob\_mod1, color = "red") + scale\_color\_manual(values = c("green", "red"))

## Warning: Multiple drawing groups in `geom\_function()`. Did you use the correct
## `group`, `colour`, or `fill` aesthetics?

### WAR by Appearance on BBWAA Ballot



The logistic regression is a decent predictor of ballot inclusion, but it could be improved. Let's add in features and observe changes in predictive ability.

```
\# Need to figure out how to deal with missing data. All WAR data is present but need
to find a way to fill in data for those that do not have any. Discuss more on Friday
\# mod2 <- glm(onBallot \sim rWAR.B + AB + H + HR + BA + R + RBI + SB + OBP + SLG + OPS +
rWAR.P + W + L + ERA + G + GS + SV + IP + SO + WHIP, data = bb train.HOFEra, family =
"binomial")
# summary(mod2)
# betas.2 <- mod2$coefficients</pre>
# get prob mod2 <- function(input){</pre>
    prob new <- (exp(betas.2[1] + betas.2[2:length(betas.2)] * input)) / (1 + exp(bet</pre>
as.2[1] + betas.2[2:length(betas.2)] * input))
    names(prob new) <- NULL
#
    return(prob new)
# }
# plot prob mod2 <- function(input) {</pre>
    get prob mod1(input) + 1
# }
#
# (misclassification rate <- sum(round(get prob mod2(bb train.HOFEra[,c("rWAR.B", "AB
", "H", "HR", "BA", "R", "RBI", "SB", "OBP", "SLG", "OPS", "rWAR.P", "W", "L", "ERA",
"G", "GS", "SV", "IP", "SO", "WHIP")]), 0) != bb train.HOFEra$onBallot) / dim(bb trai
n. HOFEra) [1])
#
# bb train.HOFEra$pred1 cor <- round(get prob mod1(bb train.HOFEra$rWAR), 0) != bb tr
ain.HOFEra$onBallot
#
# ggplot(bb train.HOFEra, aes(rWAR, onBallot, color = bb train.HOFEra$pred1 cor)) + g
eom jitter() + theme bw() + labs(title = "WAR by Appearance on BBWAA Ballot", x = "WA
R", y = "On the BBWAA Ballot", color = "Correctly Predicted?") + stat function(fun =
plot prob mod1, color = "red") + scale color manual(values = c("green", "red"))
```

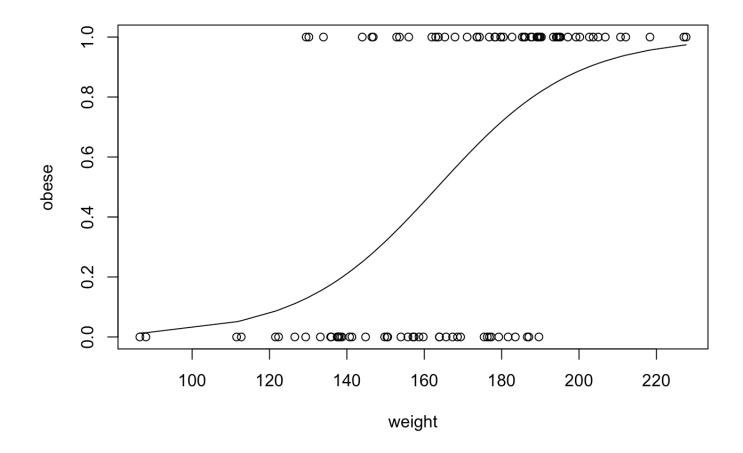
# March 19:

```
library(pROC)
```

```
## Type 'citation("pROC")' for a citation.
```

```
##
## Attaching package: 'pROC'
```

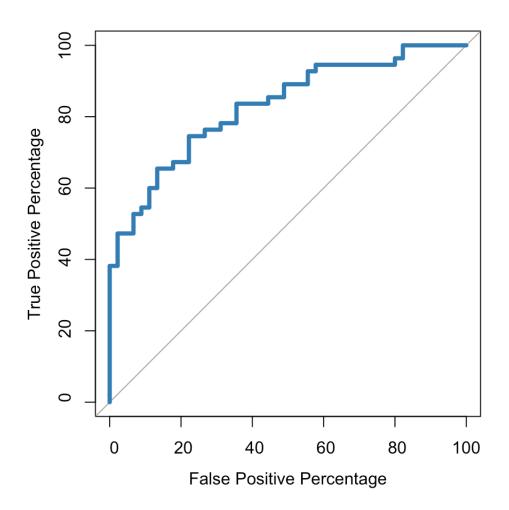
```
## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##
       cov, smooth, var
library(randomForest)
## randomForest 4.6-14
## Type rfNews() to see new features/changes/bug fixes.
##
## Attaching package: 'randomForest'
## The following object is masked from 'package:ggplot2':
##
##
       margin
##
  The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':
##
##
       combine
set.seed(420)
num.samples <- 100
weight <- sort(rnorm(n=num.samples, mean = 172, sd= 29))</pre>
obese <- ifelse(test = (runif(n=num.samples) < (rank(weight)/100)),yes = 1,no = 0)
plot(x=weight, y = obese)
glm.fit <- glm(obese ~ weight, family = binomial)</pre>
lines(weight, glm.fit$fitted.values)
```



```
par(pty = "s")
roc(obese, glm.fit$fitted.values, plot = TRUE, legacy.axes = TRUE, percent = TRUE, xl
ab = "False Positive Percentage", ylab = "True Positive Percentage", col = "#377eb8",
lwd = 4)
```

```
## Setting levels: control = 0, case = 1
```

## Setting direction: controls < cases



```
roc.info <- roc(obese, glm.fit$fitted.values, legacy.axes = TRUE)</pre>
```

```
## Setting levels: control = 0, case = 1
## Setting direction: controls < cases</pre>
```

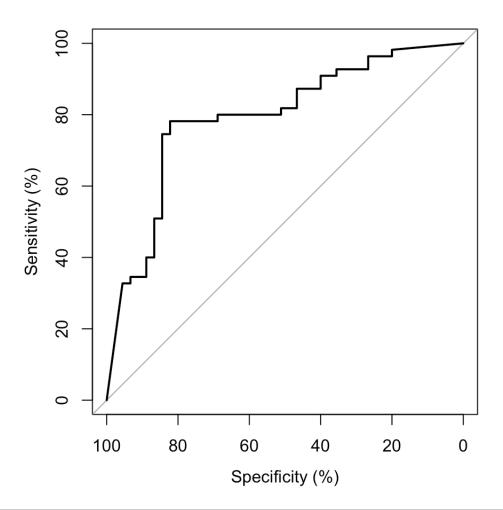
```
roc.df <- data.frame(tpp = roc.info$sensitivities*100, fpp = (1 - roc.info$specificit
ies)*100, thresholds = roc.info$thresholds)
roc.df[roc.df$tpp > 60 & roc.df$tpp < 80,]</pre>
```

```
##
                    fpp thresholds
           tpp
## 42 78.18182 35.55556
                        0.5049310
## 43 78.18182 33.33333
                         0.5067116
## 44 78.18182 31.11111
                         0.5166680
## 45 76.36364 31.11111
                         0.5287933
## 46 76.36364 28.88889
                         0.5429351
## 47 76.36364 26.66667
                         0.5589494
## 48 74.54545 26.66667
                         0.5676342
## 49 74.54545 24.44444
                         0.5776086
## 50 74.54545 22.22222
                         0.5946054
## 51 72.72727 22.22222
                         0.6227449
## 52 70.90909 22.22222
                         0.6398136
## 53 69.09091 22.22222
                         0.6441654
## 54 67.27273 22.22222
                         0.6556705
## 55 67.27273 20.00000
                         0.6683618
## 56 67.27273 17.77778
                         0.6767661
## 57 65.45455 17.77778
                         0.6802060
## 58 65.45455 15.55556
                         0.6831936
## 59 65.45455 13.33333
                         0.6917225
## 60 63.63636 13.33333
                         0.6975300
## 61 61.81818 13.33333
                         0.6982807
```

```
rf.model <- randomForest(factor(obese) ~ weight)
roc(obese, rf.model$votes[,1], percent = TRUE, plot = TRUE)</pre>
```

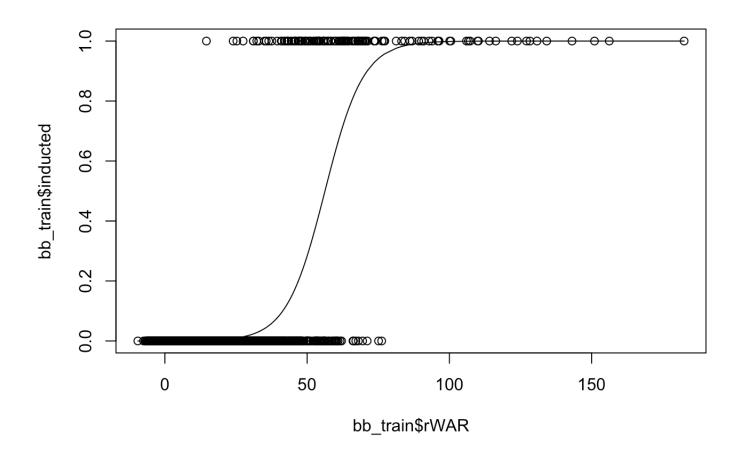
```
## Setting levels: control = 0, case = 1
```

```
## Setting direction: controls > cases
```



### Apply ROC Examples

```
bb_train <- bb_train[order(bb_train$rWAR),]
plot(x = bb_train$rWAR, y = bb_train$inducted)
mod2 <- glm(bb_train$inducted ~ bb_train$rWAR, family = binomial)
lines(bb_train$rWAR, mod2$fitted.values)</pre>
```

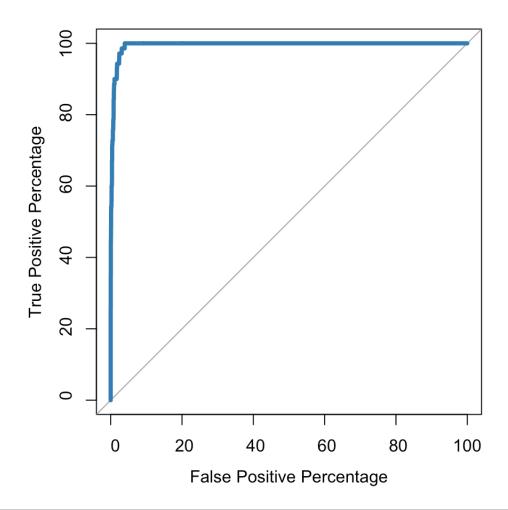


```
get_prob <- function(coefs, input){
  prob_new <- (exp(sum(coefs * cbind(1, input)))) / (1 + exp(sum(coefs * cbind(1, input))))
  names(prob_new) <- NULL
  return(prob_new)
}

par(pty = "s")
roc(bb_test$inducted, apply(bb_test[,"rWAR"], 1, get_prob, coefs = mod2$coefficients)
, plot = TRUE, legacy.axes = TRUE, percent = TRUE, xlab = "False Positive Percentage"
, ylab = "True Positive Percentage", col = "#377eb8", lwd = 4)</pre>
```

```
## Setting direction: controls < cases</pre>
```

## Setting levels: control = FALSE, case = TRUE



```
##
## Call:
## roc.default(response = bb_test$inducted, predictor = apply(bb_test[, "rWAR"],
1, get_prob, coefs = mod2$coefficients), percent = TRUE, plot = TRUE, legacy.axes
= TRUE, xlab = "False Positive Percentage", ylab = "True Positive Percentage", co
1 = "#377eb8", lwd = 4)
##
## Data: apply(bb_test[, "rWAR"], 1, get_prob, coefs = mod2$coefficients) in 4381 con
trols (bb_test$inducted FALSE) < 70 cases (bb_test$inducted TRUE).
## Area under the curve: 99.54%</pre>
```

#### Recreating Model

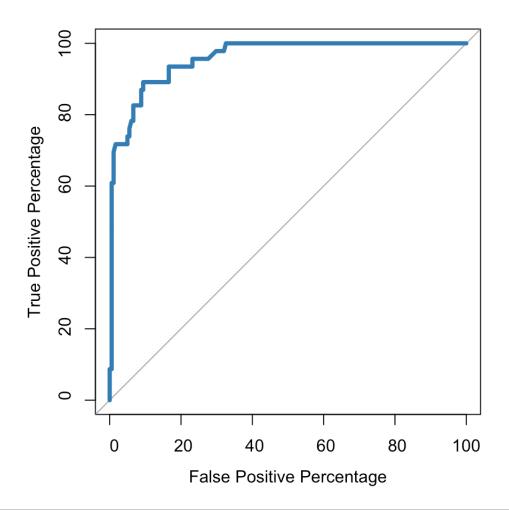
```
# The model used only position players that were considered by the Hall of Fame panel
(not including historical players)
ml_mod <- baseball %>% filter(!is.na(baseball$firstYearHOF) & position != "P" & baseb
all$votedBy != "Old Timers" & str_sub(baseball$playerID, -2, -1) != "99")
ml_mod$debDec <- round(as.numeric(format(ml_mod$debut, "%Y")), -1)
indeces = sort(sample(nrow(ml_mod), nrow(ml_mod)*.7))
train <- ml_mod[indeces,]
test <- ml_mod[-indeces,]

rf.1 <- randomForest(factor(inducted) ~ bats + throws + BB + G.B + goldGloves + MVPs
+ H + HR + R + RBI + SB + A + PO + E + debDec + firstYearHOF + position + team + allS
tarApps + OBP + SLG + BA + BAPost + GPost + WSW + WSL + steriods, data = train)

par(pty = "s")
roc(test$inducted, predict(rf.1, test, type = "prob")[,1], plot = TRUE, legacy.axes =
TRUE, percent = TRUE, xlab = "False Positive Percentage", ylab = "True Positive Perce
ntage", col = "#377eb8", lwd = 4)</pre>
```

```
## Setting levels: control = FALSE, case = TRUE
```

```
## Setting direction: controls > cases
```



Summary Statistics of HOF Inductees

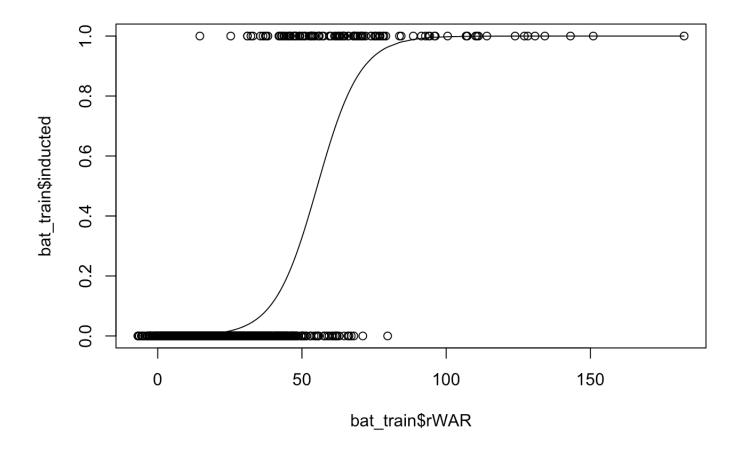
```
HOF_batters <- baseball %>% filter(inducted & position != "P" & votedBy != "Negro Lea
gue" & str_sub(playerID, -2, -1) != "99")
AB_IQR <- summary(HOF_batters$AB)[5] - summary(HOF_batters$AB)[2]
low_outliers_AB <- summary(HOF_batters$AB)[2] - 1.5*AB_IQR

batters <- baseball %>% filter(position != "P" & votedBy != "Negro League" & str_sub(
playerID, -2, -1) != "99" & AB >= low_outliers_AB & finalGame < as.Date("2004-01-01")
)
paste0(sum(batters$inducted), " batters, about ", round(sum(batters$inducted)/dim(batters)[1]*100, 0), "% of all qualified batters are HOF inductees")</pre>
```

## [1] "146 batters, about 10% of all qualified batters are HOF inductees"

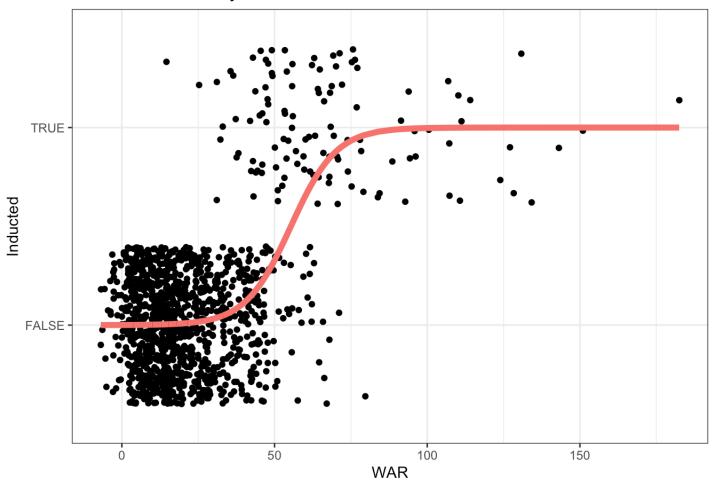
```
indeces <- sort(sample(nrow(batters), nrow(batters)*.8))
bat_train <- batters[indeces,]
bat_test <- batters[-indeces,]

mod1 <- glm(bat_train$inducted ~ bat_train$rWAR, family = "binomial")
plot(bat_train$rWAR, bat_train$inducted)
lines(sort(bat_train$rWAR), sort(mod1$fitted.values))</pre>
```



```
ggplot(bat_train, aes(rWAR, inducted)) + geom_jitter() + theme_bw() + geom_line(aes(s
ort(rWAR), sort(mod1$fitted.values) + 1, color = "red"), size = 2) + labs(title = "In
duction to HOF by WAR", x = "WAR", y = "Inducted") + theme(legend.position = "none")
```

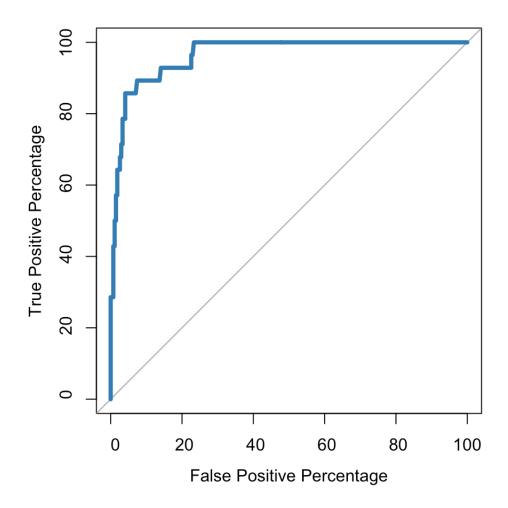
## Induction to HOF by WAR



```
par(pty = "s")
roc(bat_test$inducted, apply(bat_test[,"rWAR"], 1, get_prob, coefs = mod1$coefficient
s), plot = TRUE, legacy.axes = TRUE, percent = TRUE, xlab = "False Positive Percentag
e", ylab = "True Positive Percentage", col = "#377eb8", lwd = 4)
```

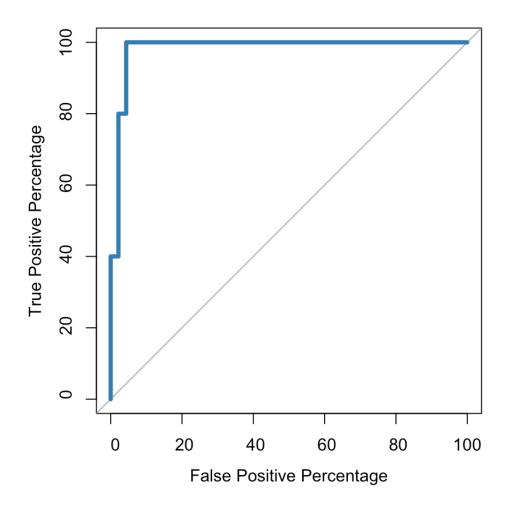
```
## Setting levels: control = FALSE, case = TRUE
```

```
## Setting direction: controls < cases</pre>
```



```
# Early Baseball 1871-1900
eb_bat_train <- bat_train %>% filter(debut < as.Date("1899-01-01"))
eb_bat_test <- bat_test %>% filter(debut < as.Date("1899-01-01"))
mod2.eb <- glm(inducted ~ R, data = eb_bat_train, family = "binomial")
preds <- rep(0, dim(eb_bat_test)[1])
for (i in 1:length(preds)) {
   preds[i] <- get_prob(mod2.eb$coefficients, eb_bat_test[i, c("R")])
}
par(pty = "s")
roc(eb_bat_test$inducted, preds, plot = TRUE, legacy.axes = TRUE, percent = TRUE, xla
b = "False Positive Percentage", ylab = "True Positive Percentage", col = "#377eb8",
lwd = 4)</pre>
```

```
## Setting levels: control = FALSE, case = TRUE
## Setting direction: controls < cases</pre>
```



```
summary(mod2.eb)
```

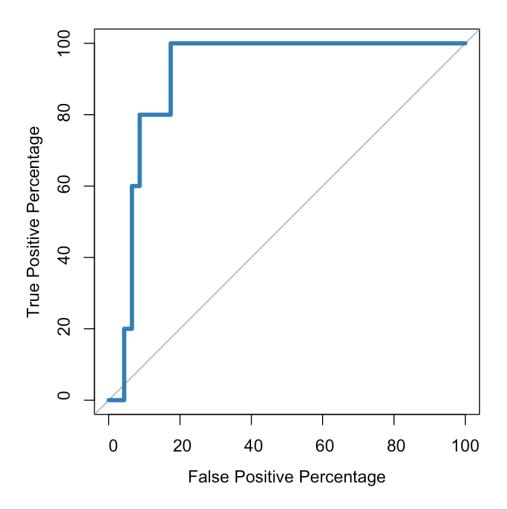
```
##
## Call:
## glm(formula = inducted ~ R, family = "binomial", data = eb bat train)
##
## Deviance Residuals:
##
      Min
                1Q Median
                                  3Q
                                         Max
## -1.7676 -0.3496 -0.1981 -0.1225 2.6911
##
## Coefficients:
                Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept) -7.0895559 1.0806297 -6.561 5.36e-11 ***
               0.0051258 0.0009028 5.677 1.37e-08 ***
## R
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## (Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
##
##
      Null deviance: 136.464 on 175 degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 80.539 on 174 degrees of freedom
## AIC: 84.539
##
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 6
```

```
# Deadball Era 1901-1919
db_bat_train <- bat_train %>% filter(debut > as.Date("1899-01-01") & debut < as.Date(
"1917-01-01"))
db_bat_test <- bat_test %>% filter(debut < as.Date("1899-01-01") & debut < as.Date("1
917-01-01"))
mod2.db <- glm(inducted ~ G.B, data = db_bat_train, family = "binomial")
summary(mod2.db)</pre>
```

```
##
## Call:
## glm(formula = inducted ~ G.B, family = "binomial", data = db_bat_train)
##
## Deviance Residuals:
##
       Min
                  1Q
                        Median
                                      3Q
                                               Max
## -1.47387 -0.20655 -0.09617 -0.04320
                                           2.40937
##
## Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept) -12.149344 2.293461 -5.297 1.17e-07 ***
## G.B
                0.005907
                         0.001211 4.879 1.07e-06 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## (Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
##
      Null deviance: 118.587 on 167 degrees of freedom
##
## Residual deviance: 46.732 on 166 degrees of freedom
## AIC: 50.732
##
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 7
```

```
preds <- rep(0, dim(db_bat_test)[1])
for (i in 1:length(preds)) {
   preds[i] <- get_prob(mod2.db$coefficients, eb_bat_test[i, c("G.B")])
}
par(pty = "s")
roc(db_bat_test$inducted, preds, plot = TRUE, legacy.axes = TRUE, percent = TRUE, xla
b = "False Positive Percentage", ylab = "True Positive Percentage", col = "#377eb8",
lwd = 4)</pre>
```

```
## Setting levels: control = FALSE, case = TRUE
## Setting direction: controls < cases</pre>
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```
\# BB + G.B + goldGloves + MVPs + H + HR + R + RBI + SB + A + PO + E + OBP + SLG + BA + BAPost + GPost + WSW + WSL + steriods, data = db_bat_train
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