

# NFL Betting

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```
setwd("~/Documents/STA 536/STA536 Final")
final <- read.csv("spreadspoke_scores.csv")
library(tidyverse)
library(caret)
library(GGally)
NFL<-final %>% #betting data only for 1979 season to 2018 season
  filter(schedule_season >=1979) %>%
  filter(schedule_season <= 2018)

#created over/under/push variable to find the betting result
NFL$over_under_result <-ifelse(NFL$score_home + NFL$score_away ==
NFL$over_under_line, 'P',
                                ifelse(NFL$score_home + NFL$score_away >
NFL$over_under_line,'O','U'))

nflTeams<- read.csv("nfl_teams.csv")

team_names<- nflTeams$team_name
team_ids<- nflTeams$team_id

# Add id variables to get spread info since favorite was in ID form.

NFL$team_home_id <- NA
NFL$team_away_id <- NA

for (i in 1:nrow(NFL)) {
  for(j in 1:length(team_ids)){
    if(NFL$team_home[i]==team_names[j]){
      NFL$team_home_id[i]<-team_ids[j]
    }
  }
}

for (i in 1:nrow(NFL)) {
  for(j in 1:length(team_ids)){
    if(NFL$team_away[i]==team_names[j]){
      NFL$team_away_id[i]<-team_ids[j]
    }
  }
}

divisions <- nflTeams$team_division
```

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NFL$home_division <- NA
NFL$away_division <- NA

for (i in 1:nrow(NFL)) {
  for(j in 1:length(divisions)){
    if(NFL$team_home_id[i]==team_ids[j]){
      NFL$home_division[i]<-divisions[j]
    }
  }
}

for (i in 1:nrow(NFL)) {
  for(j in 1:length(divisions)){
    if(NFL$team_away_id[i]==team_ids[j]){
      NFL$away_division[i]<-divisions[j]
    }
  }
}

NFL$divisional_game <- ifelse(NFL$home_division==NFL$away_division, 1, 0)

##created underdog id variable

NFL$team_underdog_id <- ifelse(NFL$team_favorite_id ==
NFL$team_home_id,NFL$team_away_id, NFL$team_home_id)

NFL$spread_cover_result <- ifelse(NFL$team_favorite_id == NFL$team_home_id &
NFL$score_home + NFL$spread_favorite == NFL$score_away, 2,
NFL$team_away_id & NFL$score_away + NFL$spread_favorite ==
NFL$score_home, 2,
NFL$team_home_id & NFL$score_home + NFL$spread_favorite >
NFL$score_away,1,
ifelse(NFL$team_favorite_id == NFL$team_away_id & NFL$score_away +
NFL$spread_favorite > NFL$score_home,1 , 0))))

nflStadiums <- read.csv("nfl_stadiums2.csv")
stadiums_name <- nflStadiums$stadium_name
stadiums_type<- nflStadiums$stadium_type
stadiums_surface<-nflStadiums$stadium_surface
stadiums_capacity<- nflStadiums$stadium_capacity
NFL$stadium_type <- NA
NFL$stadium_surface <- NA
NFL$stadium_elevation <- NULL
NFL$stadium_capacity <- NA

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for (i in 1: length(stadiums_surface)){
  if(stadiums_surface[i] == ""){
    stadiums_surface[i] = "Grass"
  }
}

for (i in 1:nrow(NFL)) {
  for(j in 1:length(stadiums_name)){
    if(NFL$stadium[i] == stadiums_name[j]){
      NFL$stadium_type[i]<-stadiums_type[j]
      NFL$stadium_capacity[i]<-stadiums_capacity[j]
      NFL$stadium_surface[i]<-stadiums_surface[j]
    }
  }
}

```

*#How many times from 1979 to 2018 a team has covered the spread. If you bet on them as the favorite you won your bet.*  
*#Panthers, Jaguars, Ravens, Texans all partial outliers because they were not teams when the dataset started.*  
*#Panthers (1995), Jaguars(1995), Ravens(1996), Texans (2002)*

```
spread_count<-dplyr::summarize(group_by(filter(NFL, spread_cover_result == 1), team_favorite_id), count = n())
```

```
arrange(spread_count, desc(count))
```

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## # A tibble: 32 × 2
##   team_favorite_id count
##   <chr>           <int>
## 1 PIT             217
## 2 SF              216
## 3 NE              215
## 4 DAL             198
## 5 GB              197
## 6 DEN             193
## 7 PHI             181
## 8 MIN             169
## 9 NYG             161
## 10 MIA            159
## # i 22 more rows

```

*#How many times from 1979 to 2018 a team if you bet on them as an underdog you would have won your bet*  
*#Panthers, Jaguars, Ravens, Texans all partial outliers because they were not teams when the dataset started.*  
*#Panthers (1995), Jaguars(1995), Ravens(1996), Texans (2002)*

```
spread_underdog_count<-dplyr::summarize(group_by(filter(NFL, spread_cover_result == 0), team_underdog_id), count = n())
```

```
arrange(spread_underdog_count, desc(count))
```

```
## # A tibble: 32 × 2
##   team_underdog_id count
##   <chr>           <int>
## 1 DET             205
## 2 TB              204
## 3 ARI             201
## 4 CIN             185
## 5 CLE             185
## 6 NYJ             184
## 7 KC              179
## 8 WAS             179
## 9 ATL             178
## 10 IND            178
## # i 22 more rows
```

*#How many times from 1979 to 2018 a team if you bet on their game to go over, the over hit, so you won your bet*

*#Panthers, Jaguars, Ravens, Texans all partial outliers because they were not teams when the dataset started.*

*#Panthers (1995), Jaguars(1995), Ravens(1996), Texans (2002)*

```
over_home_count<-dplyr::summarize(group_by(filter(NFL, over_under_result == '0'), team_home_id), count = n())
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```
over_away_count<-dplyr::summarize(group_by(filter(NFL, over_under_result == '0'), team_away_id), count = n())
```

```
over_count<- over_home_count
```

```
for(i in 1 :32){
  if(over_home_count$team_home_id[i]== over_away_count$team_away_id[i]){
    over_count$count[i]<-over_home_count$count[i] + over_away_count$count[i]
  }
}
```

```
names(over_count)[1]<- 'team_id'
```

```
arrange(over_count, desc(count))
```

```
## # A tibble: 32 × 2
##   team_id count
##   <chr>   <int>
## 1 GB      349
## 2 DEN     338
## 3 NE      335
## 4 TEN     335
## 5 NO      330
## 6 MIN     328
```

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## 7 SF          328
## 8 LAR          327
## 9 LAC          323
## 10 ARI         322
## # i 22 more rows
```

*#How many times from 1979 to 2018 a team if you bet on their game to go over, the under hit, so you lost your bet*  
*#Panthers, Jaguars, Ravens, Texans all partial outliers because they were not teams when the dataset started.*  
*#Panthers (1995), Jaguars(1995), Ravens(1996), Texans (2002)*

```
under_home_count<-dplyr::summarize(group_by(filter(NFL, over_under_result == 'U'), team_home_id), count = n())
under_away_count<-dplyr::summarize(group_by(filter(NFL, over_under_result == 'U'), team_away_id), count = n())
```

```
under_count<- under_home_count
```

```
for(i in 1 :32){
  if(under_home_count$team_home_id[i]== under_away_count$team_away_id[i]){
    under_count$count[i]<-under_home_count$count[i] +
under_away_count$count[i]
  }
}
```

```
names(under_count)[1]<- 'team_id'
```

```
arrange(under_count, desc(count))
```

```
## # A tibble: 32 × 2
##   team_id count
##   <chr>   <int>
## 1 TB      349
## 2 MIA     346
## 3 KC      345
## 4 NYG     343
## 5 PIT     340
## 6 PHI     339
## 7 CHI     338
## 8 BUF     336
## 9 DAL     332
## 10 NE     330
## # i 22 more rows
```

*#Proportions of games*  
*#Panthers, Jaguars, Ravens, Texans all partial outliers because they were not teams when the dataset started.*  
*#Panthers (1995), Jaguars(1995), Ravens(1996), Texans (2002)*

```

#Arrange all data frames by alphabet first then do the for Loop
spread_count_loss<-dplyr::summarize(group_by(filter(NFL, spread_cover_result
== 0), team_favorite_id), count = n())
spread_count_win<-dplyr::summarize(group_by(filter(NFL, spread_cover_result
== 1), team_favorite_id), count = n())

s_count_loss<-arrange(spread_count_loss, desc(team_favorite_id))
s_count_win<-arrange(spread_count_win, desc(team_favorite_id))

games_count<- s_count_win

games_count$count<-NA
games_count$spread_count<-NA
games_count$cover_percentage <- NA

for(i in 1 :32){
  if(games_count$team_favorite_id[i] == s_count_win$team_favorite_id[i]){
    games_count$count[i]<- s_count_win$count[i] + s_count_loss$count[i]
    games_count$spread_count[i]<-s_count_win$count[i]
    games_count$cover_percentage[i] <- s_count_win$count[i] /
games_count$count[i]
  }
}

names(games_count)[1]<- 'team_id'

arrange(games_count, desc(cover_percentage))

## # A tibble: 32 × 4
##   team_id count spread_count cover_percentage
##   <chr>   <int>      <int>          <dbl>
## 1 GB      252        197          0.782
## 2 IND      226        143          0.633
## 3 BUF      242        150          0.620
## 4 DEN      319        193          0.605
## 5 ATL      231        133          0.576
## 6 NE       381        215          0.564
## 7 PHI      324        181          0.559
## 8 CIN      225        122          0.542
## 9 CHI      281        150          0.534
## 10 SF      405        216          0.533
## # i 22 more rows

#Proportions of games
#Panthers, Jaguars, Ravens, Texans all partial outliers because they were not
teams when the dataset started.
#Panthers (1995), Jaguars(1995), Ravens(1996), Texans (2002)

#Arrange all data frames by alphabet first then do the for Loop

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```

h_count2<-dplyr::summarize(group_by(NFL, team_home_id), count = n())
a_count2<-dplyr::summarize(group_by(NFL, team_away_id), count = n())

home_count2<-arrange(h_count2, desc(team_home_id))
away_count2<-arrange(a_count2, desc(team_away_id))
spread_counting2<- arrange(spread_underdog_count, desc(team_underdog_id))

games_count2<-home_count2

games_count2$spread_count<-NA
games_count2$underdog_win_percentage <- NA

for(i in 1 :32){
  if(games_count2$team_home_id[i]== away_count2$team_away_id[i]){
    games_count2$count[i]<-home_count2$count[i] + away_count2$count[i]
    games_count2$spread_count[i]<-spread_counting2$count[i]
    games_count2$underdog_win_percentage[i] <- spread_counting2$count[i] /
games_count2$count[i]
  }
}

names(games_count2)[1]<- 'team_id'

arrange(games_count2, desc(underdog_win_percentage))

## # A tibble: 32 × 4
##   team_id count spread_count underdog_win_percentage
##   <chr>   <int>      <int>                <dbl>
## 1 DET      641        205                0.320
## 2 TB       644        204                0.317
## 3 ARI      641        201                0.314
## 4 CLE      594        185                0.311
## 5 CAR      401        118                0.294
## 6 CIN      645        185                0.287
## 7 NYJ      651        184                0.283
## 8 JAX      398        111                0.279
## 9 KC       650        179                0.275
## 10 ATL     651        178                0.273
## # i 22 more rows

# got rid of missing value for weather detail

for(i in 1: nrow(NFL)){
  if(NFL$weather_detail[i] == '')
    NFL$weather_detail[i]<-'C'
}

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for(i in 1: nrow(NFL)){
  if(is.na(NFL$weather_humidity[i]) == TRUE)
    NFL$weather_humidity[i]<- 0
}

for(i in 1: nrow(NFL)){
  if(NFL$weather_detail[i] == 'Rain | Fog')
    NFL$weather_detail[i]<-'R'
}

for(i in 1: nrow(NFL)){
  if(NFL$weather_detail[i] == 'Snow | Fog')
    NFL$weather_detail[i]<-'S'
}

for(i in 1: nrow(NFL)){
  if(NFL$weather_detail[i] == 'Snow | Freezing Rain')
    NFL$weather_detail[i]<-'S'
}

for(i in 1: nrow(NFL)){
  if(NFL$weather_detail[i] == 'DOME (Open Roof)')
    NFL$weather_detail[i]<-'D'
}

for(i in 1: nrow(NFL)){
  if(NFL$weather_detail[i] == 'DOME')
    NFL$weather_detail[i]<-'D'
}

for(i in 1: nrow(NFL)){
  if(NFL$weather_detail[i] == 'Snow')
    NFL$weather_detail[i]<-'S'
}

for(i in 1: nrow(NFL)){
  if(NFL$weather_detail[i] == 'Fog')
    NFL$weather_detail[i]<-'F'
}

for(i in 1: nrow(NFL)){
  if(NFL$weather_detail[i] == 'Rain')
    NFL$weather_detail[i]<-'R'
}

dplyr::summarize(group_by(NFL, weather_detail), count = n())

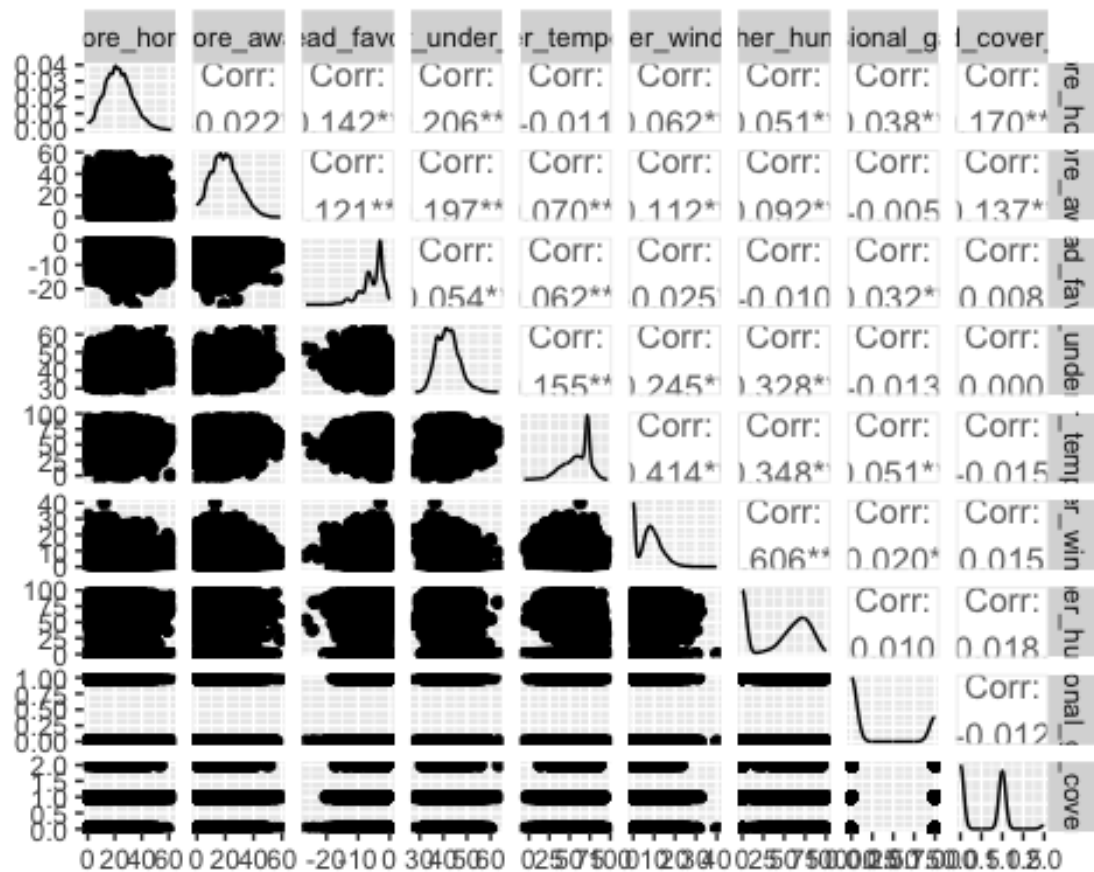
```



```
## # A tibble: 5 × 2
##   weather_detail count
##   <chr>          <int>
## 1 C              7486
## 2 D              2247
## 3 F               28
## 4 R              129
## 5 S               20
```

*#ggpairs*

```
un.NFL <- NFL[, -c(1,2,3,4,5,8,12,13,17,21,22,24,26,27,28)]
ggpairs(na.omit(un.NFL[, -c(3,9,10,11)]))
```



*#clustering*

*#2 clusters seems best*

```
new.NFL <- na.omit(un.NFL[, -c(3,9,10,11)])
```

```
newob.final <- new.NFL
```

```
d <- dist(newob.final)
```

```
km.final2 <- kmeans(newob.final, 2, nstart = 20)
```

```

clusters <- as.character(km.final2$cluster)
table(clusters)

## clusters
##      1      2
## 3574 6034

km.final3 <- kmeans(newob.final, 3, nstart = 20)
clusters <- as.character(km.final3$cluster)
table(clusters)

## clusters
##      1      2      3
## 2536 3558 3514

km.final4 <- kmeans(newob.final, 4, nstart = 20)
clusters <- as.character(km.final4$cluster)
table(clusters)

## clusters
##      1      2      3      4
## 1751 2710 1728 3419

km.final5 <- kmeans(newob.final, 5, nstart = 20)
## Warning: Quick-TRANSfer stage steps exceeded maximum (= 480400)

clusters <- as.character(km.final5$cluster)
table(clusters)

## clusters
##      1      2      3      4      5
##   563 1733 2880 1743 2689

km.final6 <- kmeans(newob.final, 6, nstart = 20)
clusters <- as.character(km.final6$cluster)
table(clusters)

## clusters
##      1      2      3      4      5      6
##   561 1271 1341 1337 2867 2231

km.final7 <- kmeans(newob.final, 7, nstart = 20)
clusters <- as.character(km.final7$cluster)
table(clusters)

## clusters
##      1      2      3      4      5      6      7
## 1339 2232 1650 1274   511 1271 1331

library(cluster)

plot(silhouette(km.final2$cluster, d))

```

### Silhouette plot of (x = km.final2\$cluster, dist

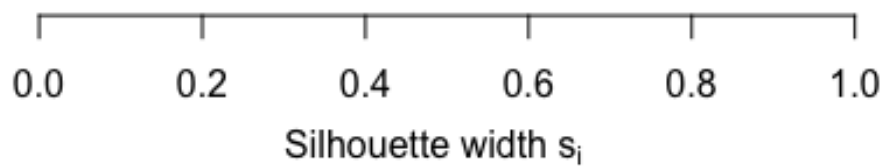
n = 9608

2 clusters  $C_j$

$j : n_j \mid \text{ave}_{i \in C_j} s_i$

1 : 3574 | 0.63

2 : 6034 | 0.51



Average silhouette width : 0.55

```
plot(silhouette(km.final3$cluster, d))
```

### Silhouette plot of (x = km.final3\$cluster, dist

n = 9608

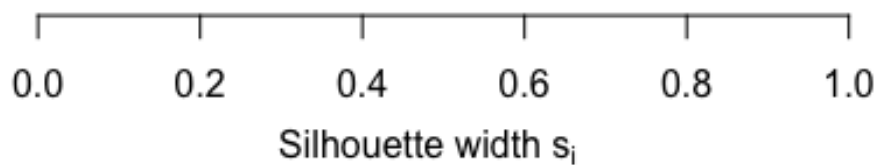
3 clusters  $C_j$

$j : n_j \mid \text{ave}_{i \in C_j} s_i$

1 : 2536 | 0.19

2 : 3558 | 0.62

3 : 3514 | 0.25



Average silhouette width : 0.37

```
plot(silhouette(km.final4$cluster, d))
```

### Silhouette plot of (x = km.final4\$cluster, dist

n = 9608

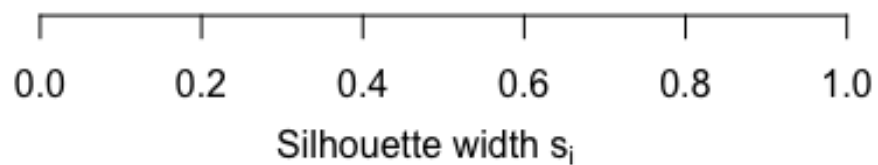
4 clusters  $C_j$

j :  $n_j$  |  $\text{ave}_{i \in C_j} s_i$   
1 : 1751 | 0.19

2 : 2710 | 0.25

3 : 1728 | 0.17

4 : 3419 | 0.55



Average silhouette width : 0.33

```
plot(silhouette(km.final5$cluster, d))
```

### Silhouette plot of (x = km.final5\$cluster, dist

n = 9608

5 clusters  $C_j$

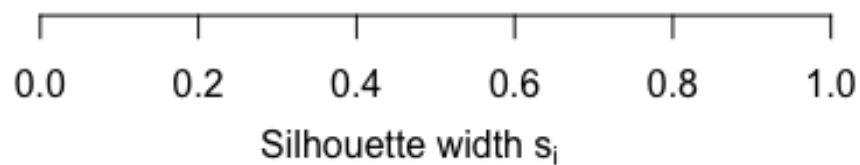
j : 1 | 303 | 0.26

2 : 1733 | 0.19

3 : 2880 | 0.41

4 : 1743 | 0.17

5 : 2689 | 0.25



Average silhouette width : 0.27

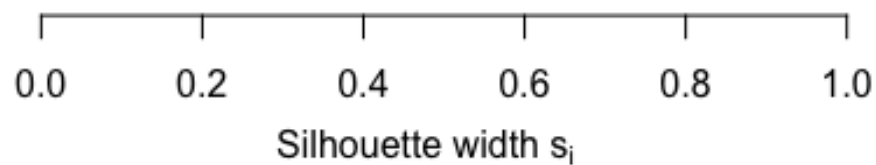
```
plot(silhouette(km.final6$cluster, d))
```

### Silhouette plot of (x = km.final6\$cluster, dist

n = 9608

6 clusters  $C_j$

j	$n_j$	ave	$\frac{1}{n_j} \sum_{i \in C_j} s_i$
1	589	0.26	
2	1271	0.18	
3	1341	0.14	
4	1337	0.14	
5	2867	0.41	
6	2231	0.22	



Average silhouette width : 0.25

```
plot(silhouette(km.final7$cluster, d))
```

## Silhouette plot of (x = km.final7\$cluster, dist

n = 9608

7 clusters  $C_j$

$j : n_j \mid \text{ave}_{i \in C_j} s_i$   
1 : 1339 | 0.14

2 : 2232 | 0.22

3 : 1650 | 0.25

4 : 1274 | 0.22

5 : 511 | 0.25

6 : 1271 | 0.18

7 : 1331 | 0.14



Average silhouette width : 0.2

*#Supervised LDA*

*#Accuracy of 51.207%*

```
Sup.NFL<- NFL[,-c(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,12,13,19,20,21,22,24,25,26,27,28)]
```

```
set.seed(1)
```

```
fitControl <- trainControl(method = "cv", number = 5)
```

```
final.lda<- train(na.omit(over_under_result) ~ .,
```

```
data = na.omit(Sup.NFL),
```

```
method = "lda",
```

```
trControl = fitControl)
```

```
final.lda
```

```
## Linear Discriminant Analysis
```

```
##
```

```
## 9608 samples
```

```
## 7 predictor
```

```
## 3 classes: 'O', 'P', 'U'
```

```
##
```

```
## No pre-processing
```

```
## Resampling: Cross-Validated (5 fold)
```

```
## Summary of sample sizes: 7687, 7688, 7685, 7686, 7686
```



```
## Resampling results:
##
## Accuracy Kappa
## 0.51207 0.04153287

pred.class<- predict(final.lda, Sup.NFL)
pred.prob<- predict(final.lda, Sup.NFL, type= "prob")

final.lda$final

## Call:
## lda(x, grouping = y)
##
## Prior probabilities of groups:
##      O      P      U
## 0.48428393 0.01894255 0.49677352
##
## Group means:
## spread_favorite over_under_line weather_temperature weather_wind_mph
## O      -5.366430      41.73374      59.65442      7.117559
## P      -5.326923      41.54945      59.21978      7.307692
## U      -5.341819      41.97415      59.84140      7.613241
## weather_humidity weather_detailD weather_detailF weather_detailR
## O      43.08016      0.2379110      0.003653557      0.01289491
## P      45.03846      0.2142857      0.000000000      0.000000000
## U      43.82631      0.2298345      0.002304630      0.01424680
## weather_details divisional_game
## O      0.002578981      0.2654202
## P      0.000000000      0.2472527
## U      0.001676095      0.2918500
##
## Coefficients of linear discriminants:
##      LD1      LD2
## spread_favorite      0.020191141 -0.030864050
## over_under_line      0.111744169 0.004099433
## weather_temperature 0.018219217 0.002398865
## weather_wind_mph      0.194210679 0.001032284
## weather_humidity      0.002309624 -0.003744072
## weather_detailD      1.209140773 0.776495310
## weather_detailF      -2.075165082 8.489461098
## weather_detailR      1.063278448 5.945592999
## weather_details      -1.994662302 8.407300109
## divisional_game      0.933480202 0.381053869
##
## Proportion of trace:
## LD1 LD2
## 0.92 0.08
```

```

#Supervised Random Forest
set.seed(1)
mtryGrid <- expand.grid(mtry = 1:3)
fitControl <- trainControl(method = "cv", number = 5)

final.rf<- train(na.omit(over_under_result) ~ .,
                 data = na.omit(Sup.NFL),
                 method = "rf",
                 trControl = fitControl,
                 tuneGrid=mtryGrid)

final.rf

## Random Forest
##
## 9608 samples
##    7 predictor
##    3 classes: 'O', 'P', 'U'
##
## No pre-processing
## Resampling: Cross-Validated (5 fold)
## Summary of sample sizes: 7687, 7688, 7685, 7686, 7686
## Resampling results across tuning parameters:
##
##   mtry  Accuracy   Kappa
##   1     0.5074933  0.03148695
##   2     0.5093680  0.03741764
##   3     0.5039550  0.02605329
##
## Accuracy was used to select the optimal model using the largest value.
## The final value used for the model was mtry = 2.

varImp(final.rf)

## rf variable importance
##
##               Overall
## weather_temperature 100.0000
## over_under_line      91.7725
## weather_humidity     85.3023
## spread_favorite      80.7293
## weather_wind_mph     74.0531
## divisional_game      9.8636
## weather_detailR       2.8375
## weather_detailD       2.6402
## weather_detailF       0.4864
## weather_details      0.0000

```