



Early delirium detection using machine learning algorithms

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Introduction

Over the past few years, the average life expectancy has increased. But along with the ageing population, chronic diseases have increased significantly.

Delirium is a common manifestation of severe acute neuropsychiatric dysfunction

A disturbance in attention (i.e., reduced ability to direct, focus, sustain, and shift attention) and awareness (reduced orientation to the environment).

Prevalent in hospital settings, which due to the complex multifactorial causes is often under-diagnosed and neglected.



Background

2012 - PREdiction of DELIRium for Intensive Care patients (PRE-DELIRIC)

- 10 predictors
- AUC-ROC of 0.87

2015 - Early PREdiction of DELIRium for Intensive Care patient (E-PREDELIRIC)

- 9 predictors
- AUC-ROC of 0.76

2018 - Study to evaluate the prediction of delirium using the random forest algorithm.

AUC-ROC of 0.909

2021 - retrospective cohort study that developed and validated ML algorithms to detect delirium

- RF, GBM, and LR models achieved the best outcomes
- AUCs of 0.85 to 0.86





Goals

- Develop and validate a tool for use in a hospital setting to identify delirium during the admission of a patient.
- ➤ Identify the most influential variables to predict the development of delirium using the data available when a patient is admitted to the Emergency Department



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Data

Data collected between 2014 and 2016

Input Variables:



Raw data:

- 124 features
- 511 records

- **Numerical** Age; SIRS, length of stay; analysis (glycose, CRP, pH, HCO_{3....})
- Categorical Patient origin (Home, Inter-hospital ...); Urgent admission (Ambulatory, urgent, ...); Diagnosis group (Cardiovascular, neurology, ...)
- **Binary** Gender, Medicines (Sinvastatine, Captopril, Quetiapine,...); Alcohol; *Delirium*

Output Variable:

 Richmond Agitation Sedation Scale (RASS) was used to diagnose delirium

High quantity of missing data







Data Preparation



Data cleaning

Identify and correct mistakes or errors in the data



Data Transforms

Change the scale or distribution of variables



Feature Selection

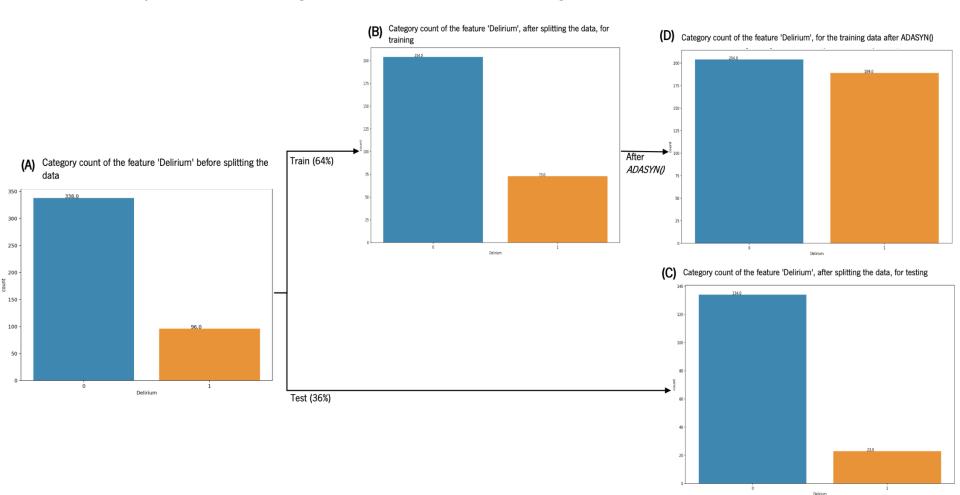
Identify those input variables that are most relevant to the task



Data Preparation

Imbalanced data

· Apply data balancing techniques to the training data





Feature Selection Methods

SelectFromModel

Recursive Feature Elimination (RFE)

Recursive Feature Elimination with Cross Validation (RFECV)

SequentialFeatureSelector (SFS)





Machine Learning algorithms

Random Forest

 It is a combination of tree classifiers where each tree depending on a set of random variables, that combines the performance of a wide range of decision tree algorithms to classify or predict the value of a variable

Logistic Regression

 It is a statistical technique that allows the prediction of values taken by a categorical variable, based on one or several continuous and/or binary independent variables.





Evaluation metrics

Recall

 This measure assesses the ability of the test to detect delirium when it is indeed present

Precision

 Measures the probability of the classifier labelled a person with delirium, given that the person does not have delirium.

F1

 This metric is the harmonic mean of precision and recall, giving equal weight to both. It evaluates models by considering both FP and FN

AUC-ROC

It is a graphical plot used to show the diagnostic ability of binary classifiers.

AUC-Precision-recall curve

 This measure is useful to evaluate the quality classifier's results in cases involving imbalanced datasets





Random Forest Results

Random Forest													
	Feature selection method	Features	Acuracy	Recall	Precision	F1	AUC-PR	AUC-ROC					
0		38	78,34	37,14	52	43,33	0,42	0,789					
1	SelectFromModel threshold= 0,01	37	82,8	45,71	66,67	54,24	0,47	0,808					
2	SelectFromModel threshold= 0,015	17	75,16	31,43	42,31	36,07	0,417	0,765					
3	SelectFromModel threshold= 0,02	14	78,34	31,43	52,38	39,29	0,425	0,796					
4	SelectFromModel threshold= 0,03	13	76,43	34,14	46,43	41,27	0,43	0,76					
5	SelectFromModel threshold= 0,05	9	78,34	42,86	51,72	46,88	0,428	0,748					
6	RFECV	31	78,98	40	53,85	45,9	0,508	0,789					
7	SFS (forward)	33	78,98	42,86	53,57	45,62	0,445	0,786					
8	SFS (backward)	35	80,25	37,14	59,08	45,61	0,457	0,796					
9	SFS (bidirecional backward)	34	77,71	37,14	50	42,62	0,485	0,785					
10	SFS (bidirecional forward)	32	77,07	40	48,28	43,75	0,463	0,786					



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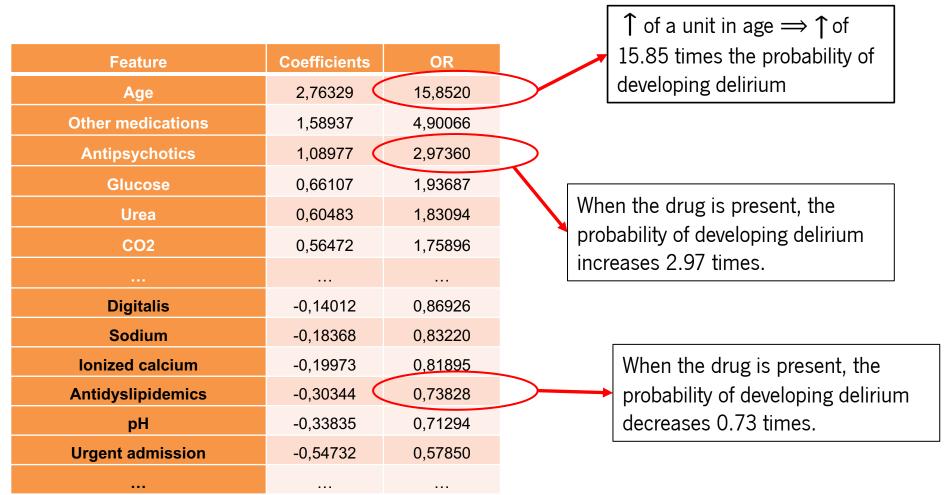
Logistic Regression Results

Logistic Regression											
	Feature Selection method	Features	Acuracy	Recall	Precision	F1	AUC-PR	AUC-ROC			
0		38	83,44	60	63,64	61,76	0,579	0,8320			
1	SFS (forward)	23	80,25	48,57	56,67	52,31	0,506	0,766			
2	SFS (backward)	26	78,98	57,14	52,63	54,79	0,500	0,802			
3	SFS (bidirecional forward)	27	70,06	54,529	38	44,71	0,4590	0,755			
4	SFS (bidirecional backward)	19	78,98	57,14	52,63	54,79	0,5260	0,788			
5	RFE	19	80,25	60	55,26	57,53	0,565	0,7827			
6	RFECV	18	78,34	51,43	51,43	51,43	0,543	0,755			
7	SelectFromModel (threshold=0,02)	38	83,44	60	63,64	61,76	0,579	0,8320			
8	SelectFromModel (threshold=0,09)	36	84,71	60	67,74	63,64	0,582	0,8333			
9	SelectFromModel (threshold=0,1)	35	84,08	60	65,62	62,69	0,578	0,8311			
10	SelectFromModel (threshold=0,2)	33	84,08	60	65,62	62,69	0,575	0,8278			
11	SelectFromModel (threshold=0,3)	27	82,17	60	60	60	0,563	0,8290			
12	SelectFromModel (threshold=0,5)	24	80,89	60	50,76	58,33	0,542	0,8208			
13	SelectFromModel (threshold=1)	14	77,71	40	50	44,44	0,499	0,7250			
14	SelectFromModel (threshold=1,5)	7	70,7	54,29	38,78	45,24	0,509	0,7207			





Results







Results

Excluded variables:

- Antihypertensives
- Anxiolytics

The literature reports that this group of drugs may be influential in the development of delirium.

The side effects of the drugs in this pharmacological group also indicate the possibility of developing delirium.

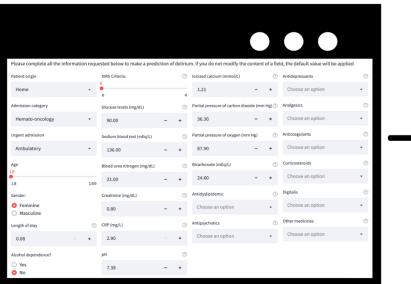
Possible explanation:

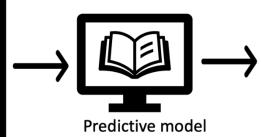
→ Low representativeness of this class of drugs in the training data (out of 59 only 10 (16.95%) presented delirium)

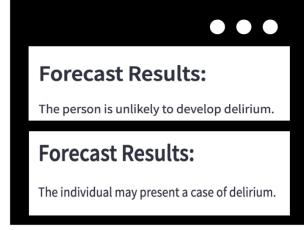




Web Application







Results

Input data



Link: https://bit.ly/3waT3T7



Final considerations

- Delirium is a syndrome prevalent and under-diagnosed in hospital settings.
- Data preparation was important for modelling (124 features to 36)
- Logistic regression achieved the best outcomes with an AUC-ROC of 0.833 and an AUC-PR of 0.582.
- The application developed might be a useful support tool for early delirium detection in healthcare settings
- In a future work perspective, it would be interesting to integrate this type of predictive model into an electronic record of the hospital system and carry out this process automatically in realtime.





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