

Assignment 8

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For the following assignment we will be building a SPAM filter production model, by analyzing three models; a basic WOE binning classification, a Naïve Bayes model, and a logistic regression model. Utilizing training and test data provided within the assignment. Originally sources from the UCI Machine Learning Repository.

Starting with exploratory data analysis we observe, the initial dataset has 61 variables and a length of 4601 split into a training and test set with a length of 2318 and 58 variables and 2283 and 58 variables respectively. Next we will perform computational exploratory data analysis with the xgboost package. Extreme gradient boosting (xgboost) training utilizes gradient boosting to find the most relevant and predictive variables for identifying spam, using a 10 round 4 depth tree search to find the following variables as the most important for predicting spam. As seen in Figure 1 below:

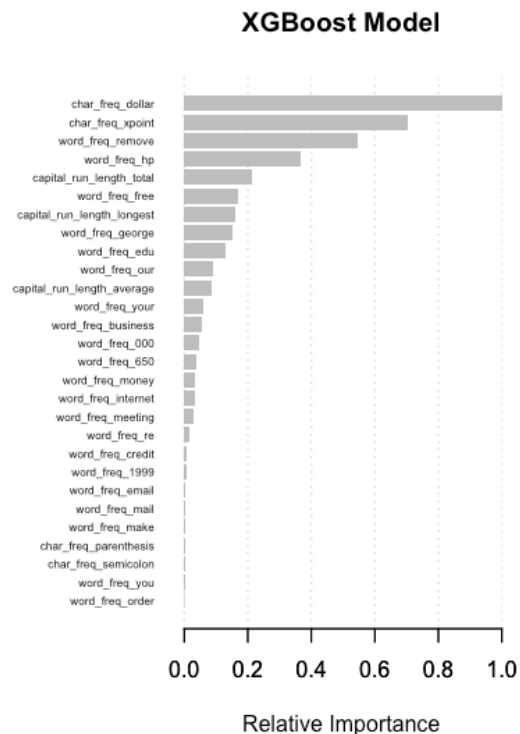


Figure 1

As we see in the figure the most important variables for detecting spamm are the following, \$,! , remove, hp, capital run length total ending the list at 20% relative importance. As we can see from the variables, they typically involve finances and utilize symbols to illicit emotion like “!”. Now that we have seen the most important features of the data set, we will next explore Weight-Of-Evidence Discretization.

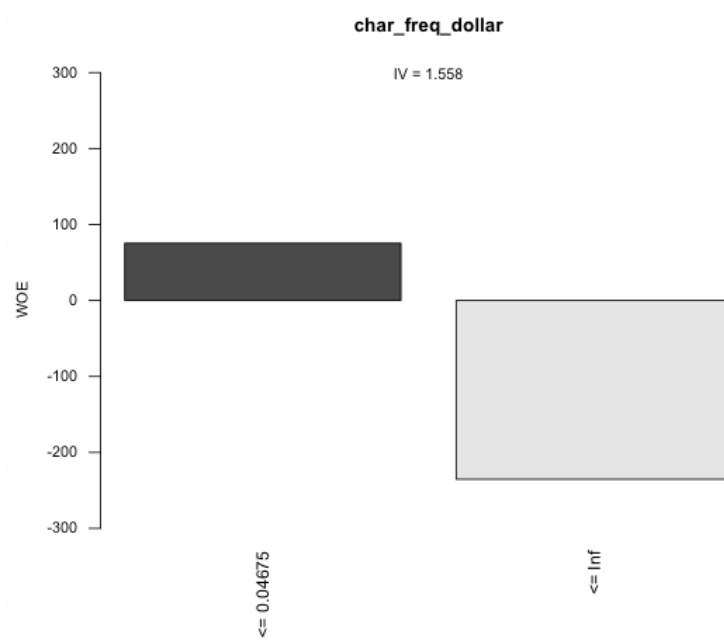


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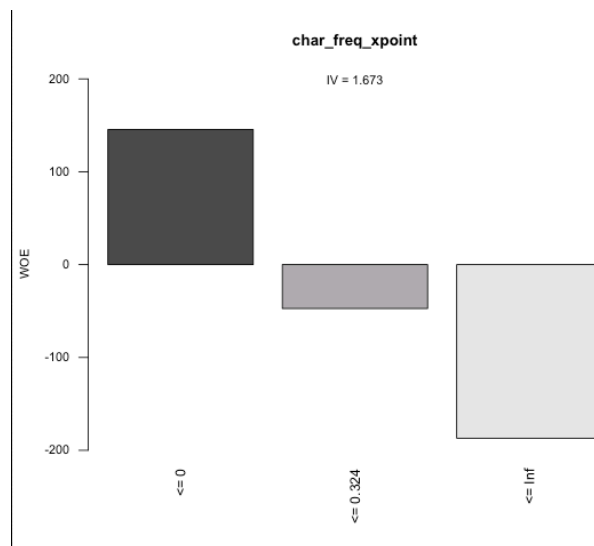


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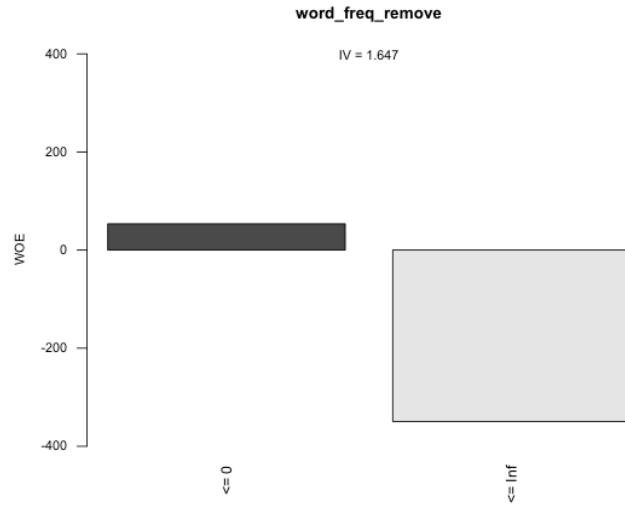


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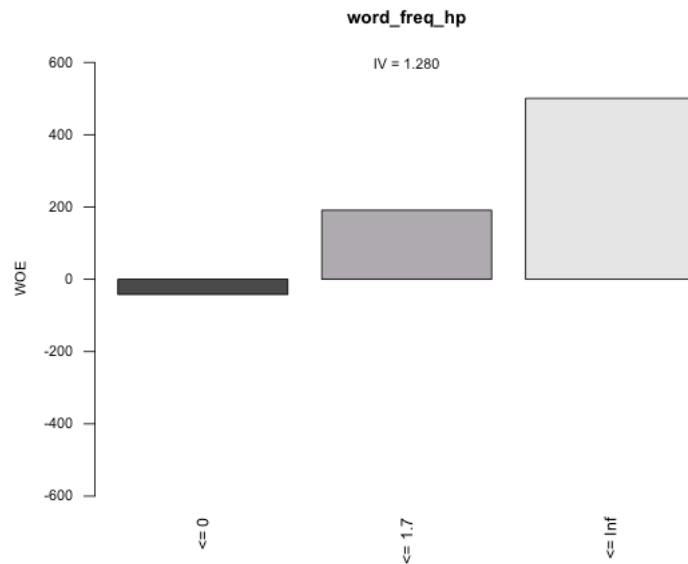


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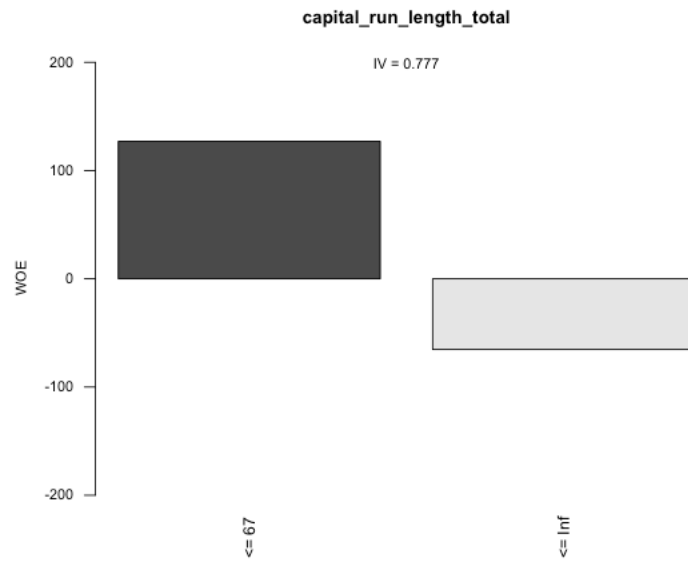


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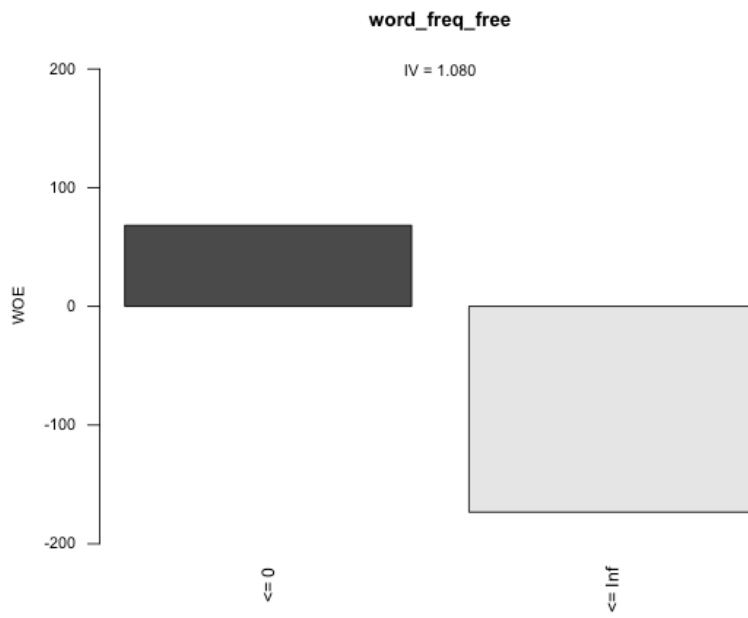


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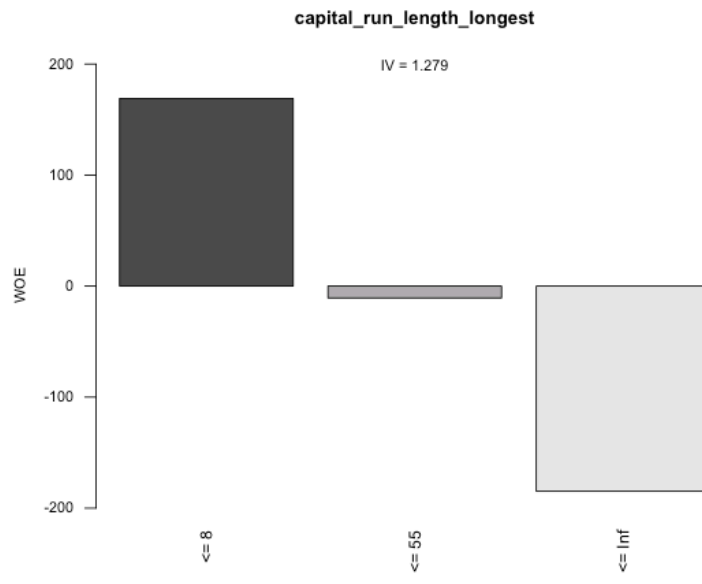


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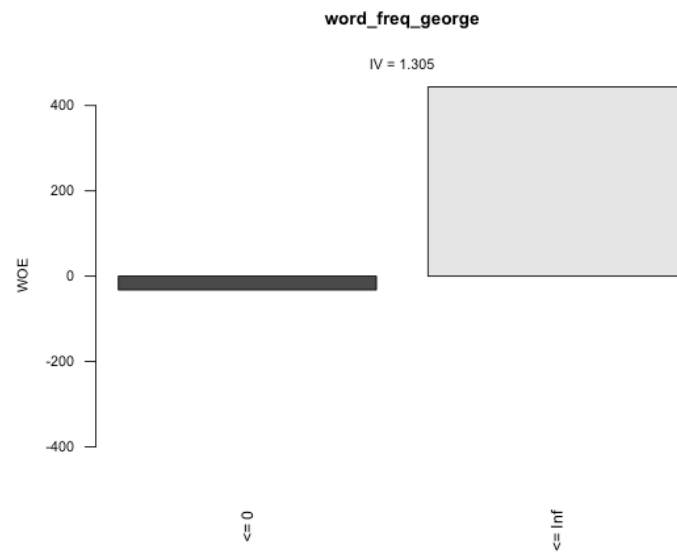


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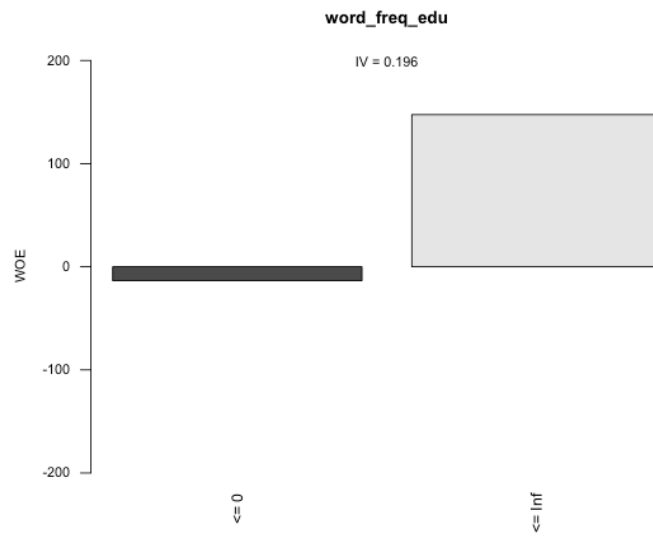


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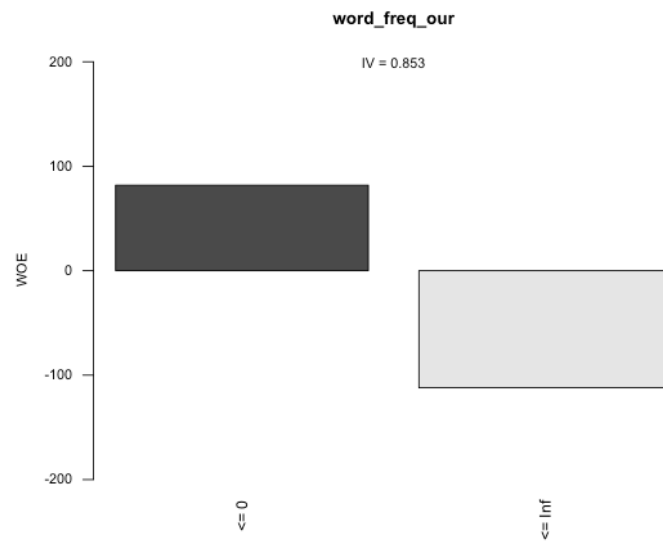


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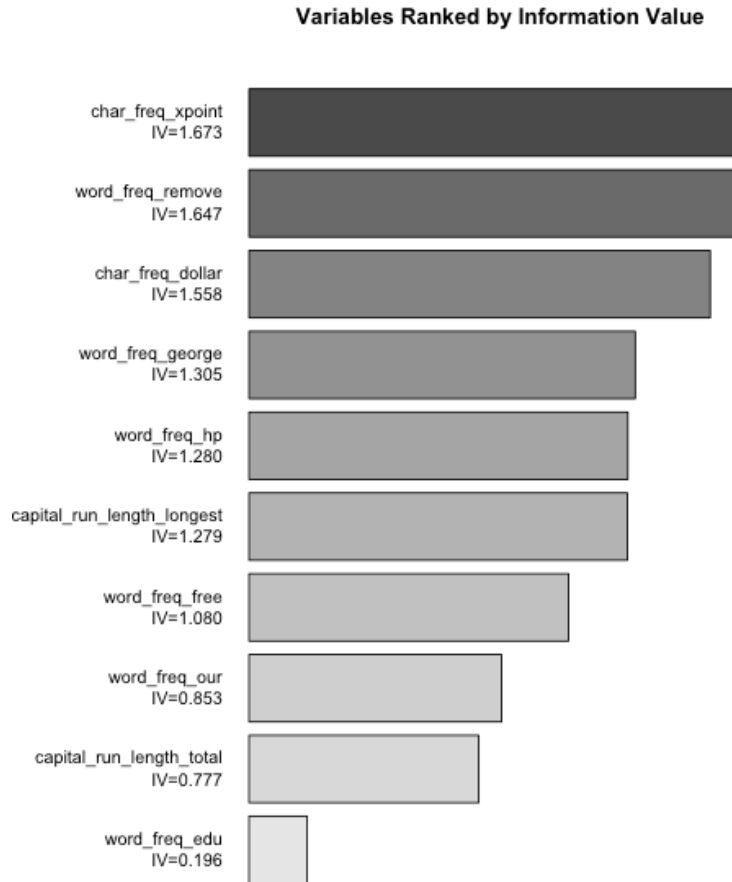


Figure 12

Rank	Variable	IV
1	Char_freq_xpoint	1.673
2	Word_freq_remove	1.647
3	Char_freq_dollar	1.558
4	Word_freq_george	1.305
5	Word_freq_hp	1.28
6	Capital_run_length_longest	1.279
7	Word_freq_free	1.08
8	Word_freq_our	0.853
9	capital_run_length_total	0.777
10	Word_freq_edu	0.196

Table 1

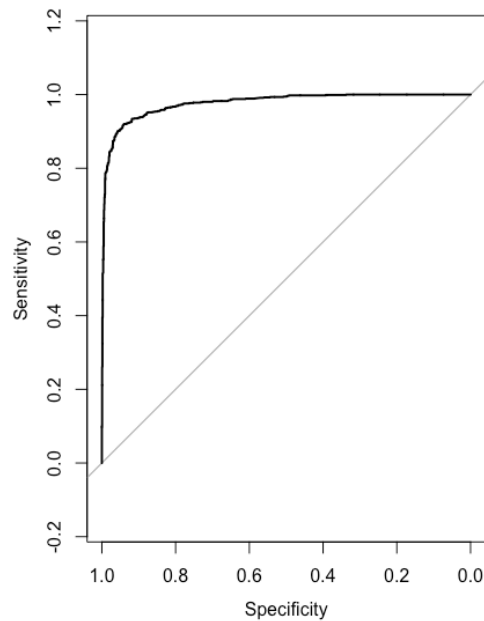
As we see in the table and graphs above the WOE ranking are different the XGBOOST findings Where exclamation point is now the highest information value vs #2 in XGBoost. Additionally, George moved up to 4 and HP moved down.

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Logistic regression: we use logistic regression to see the predictive ability of the model first with the gradient boosted variables. Which get the following results.

<b>Model #1: Logistic Regression</b>	
	<i>Dependent variable:</i>
	spam
word_freq_remove	5.80*** (0.78)
capital_run_length_total	0.001*** (0.0002)
capital_run_length_longest	0.02*** (0.003)
word_freq_edu	-3.51*** (0.66)
char_freq_xpoint	0.42*** (0.11)
word_freq_hp	-3.29*** (0.44)
word_freq_free	1.26*** (0.18)
word_freq_george	-7.41*** (1.65)
word_freq_our	0.47*** (0.10)
Constant	-1.25*** (0.10)
Observations	2,318
Log Likelihood	-704.40
Akaike Inf. Crit.	1,428.80
<i>Note:</i> *p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01	



With an AUC score of .9544 and a threshold of 0.3214, specificity of 0.868, and a sensitivity of 0.925. Finally the model provides the following confusions matrix

<b>Logistic Regression Gradient Boost</b>		<b>Not Spam</b>	<b>Spam</b>
	<b>Not Spam</b>	<b>0.888</b>	<b>0.111</b>
	<b>Spam</b>	<b>0.0744</b>	<b>0.926</b>

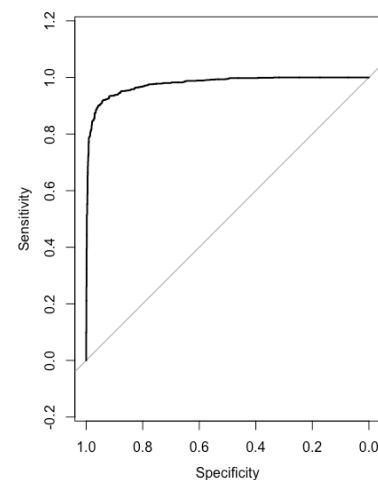
We see a false negative rate 7.4% and false positive rate of 13%.

When compared to model2 utilizing the WOE binning we see the following output.

**Model #2: Logistic Regression**

	Dependent variable:
	spam
char_freq_xpoint.binned(0,0.324]	0.13 (0.22)
char_freq_xpoint.binned(0.324, Inf]	1.67*** (0.22)
woe.char_freq_xpoint.binned	
word_freq_remove.binned(0, Inf]	2.66*** (0.36)
woe.word_freq_remove.binned	
char_freq_dollar.binned(0.04675, Inf]	2.09*** (0.24)
woe.char_freq_dollar.binned	
word_freq_george.binned(0, Inf]	-4.40*** (0.88)
woe.word_freq_george.binned	
word_freq_hp.binned(0,1.7]	-3.14*** (0.33)
word_freq_hp.binned(1.7, Inf]	-5.34*** (1.03)
woe.word_freq_hp.binned	
capital_run_length_longest.binned(8,55]	1.47*** (0.23)
capital_run_length_longest.binned(55, Inf]	1.81*** (0.34)
woe.capital_run_length_longest.binned	
word_freq_free.binned(0, Inf]	1.23*** (0.21)
woe.word_freq_free.binned	
word_freq_our.binned(0, Inf]	1.17*** (0.20)
woe.word_freq_our.binned	
capital_run_length_total.binned(67, Inf]	0.62*** (0.23)
woe.capital_run_length_total.binned	
word_freq_edu.binned(0, Inf]	-3.54*** (0.42)
woe.word_freq_edu.binned	
Constant	-2.86*** (0.18)
Observations	2,318
Log Likelihood	-456.57
Akaike Inf. Crit.	941.14

Note: \* p<0.1; \*\* p<0.05; \*\*\* p<0.01

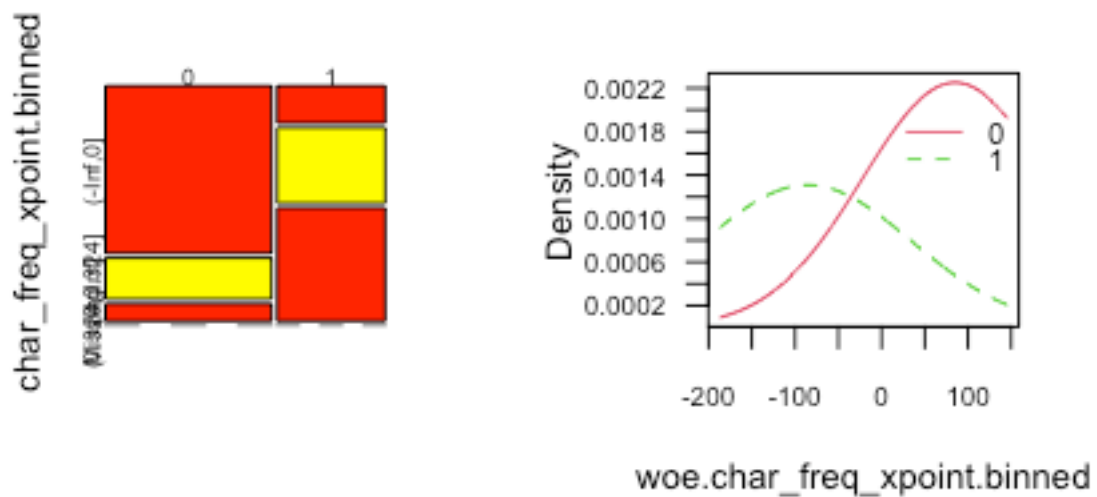


Here we see AUC score of .9769 and a threshold of 0.430, specificity of 0.9402, and a sensitivity of 0.920. Finally the model provides the following confusions matrix

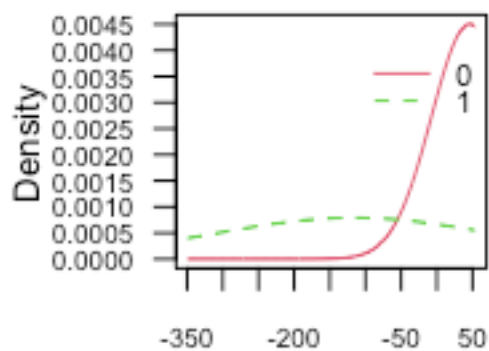
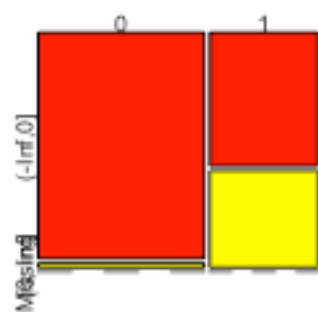
We see a false negative rate 8.3% and false positive rate of 7.0%.

Logistic Regression WOE Binning		Not Spam	Spam
	Not Spam	0.93	0.07
	Spam	0.083	0.917

When producing a Naïve Bayes model we get the following plots:

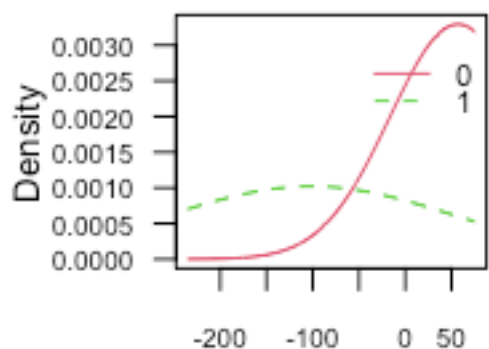
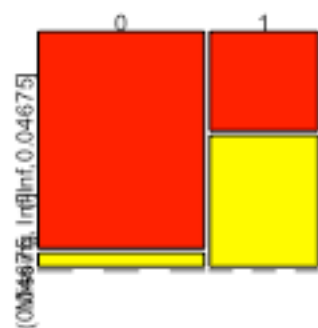


word\_freq\_remove.binned



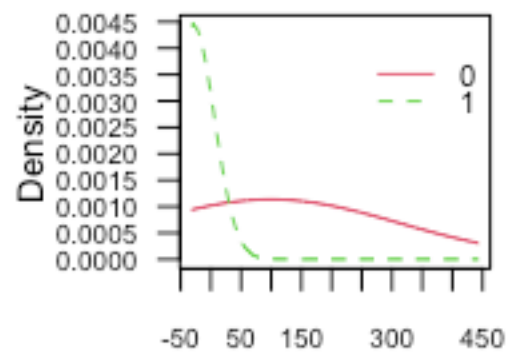
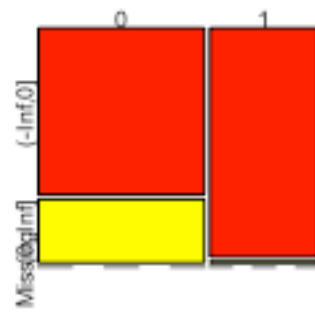
woe.word\_freq\_remove.binned

char\_freq\_dollar.binned



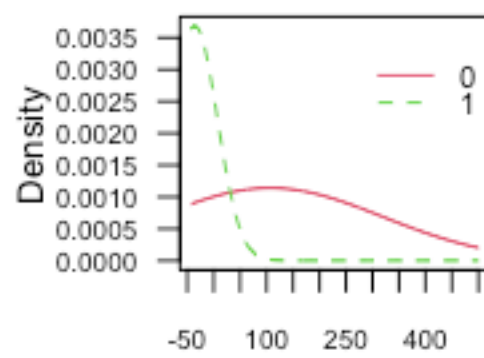
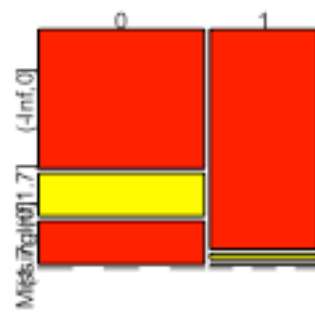
woe.char\_freq\_dollar.binned

word\_freq\_george.binned



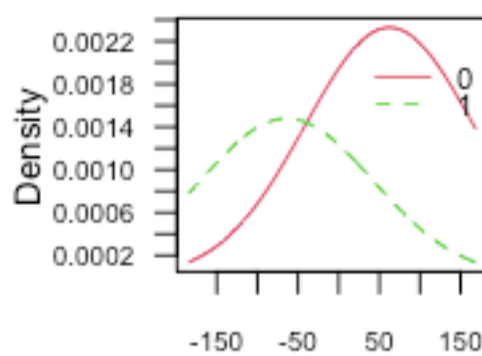
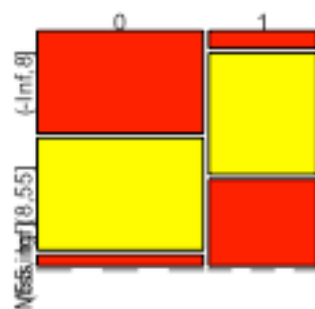
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word\_freq\_hp.binned



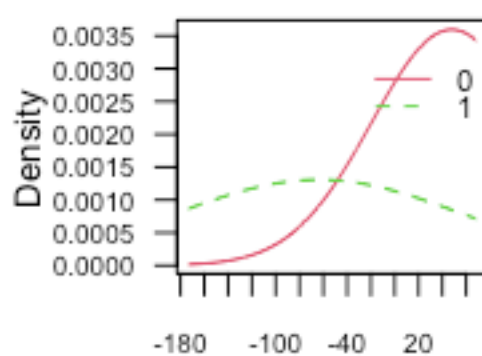
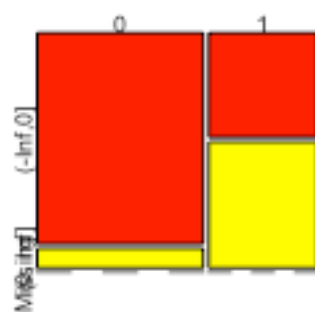
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capital\_run\_length\_longest.binned



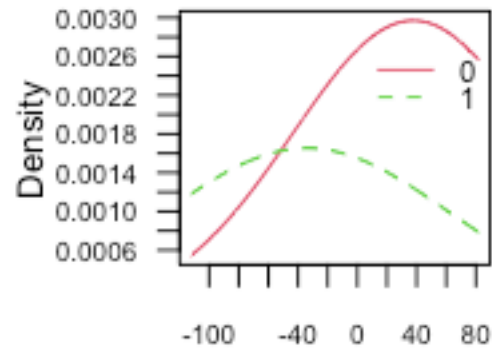
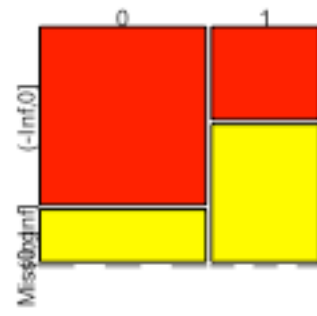
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word\_freq\_free.binned



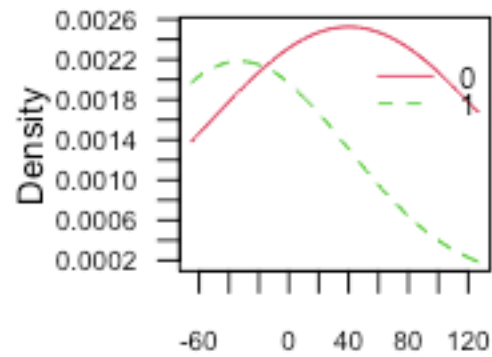
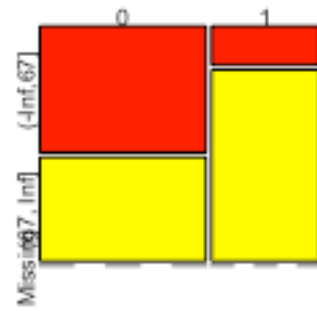
woe.word\_freq\_free.binned

word\_freq\_our.binned

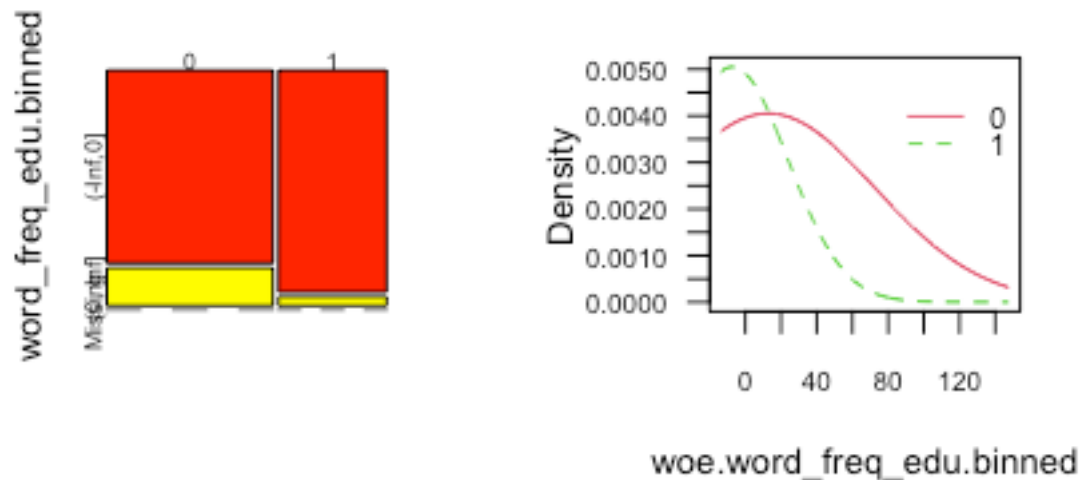


woe.word\_freq\_our.binned

capital\_run\_length\_total.binned



woe.capital\_run\_length\_total.binned



As we see in the confusion matrix, the model has a false positive rate of 6.6% and a false positive rate of 11%

Naïve Bayes	Not Spam		Spam	
	Not Spam	0.933	Spam	0.066
	Spam	0.11	Spam	0.89

Given the three models, it seems like WOE binning logistic regression is best. It has lowest false positive and negative results. Given the training data. Now we will predict with the test data and confirm the results.

Test		Not Spam		Spam	
Logistic Regression Gradient Boost	Not Spam	0.888	Spam	0.111	
	Not Spam	0.888	Spam	0.111	
	Spam	0.0744	Spam	0.926	
Logistic Regression WOE Binning	Not Spam	0.937	Spam	0.063	
	Not Spam	0.937	Spam	0.063	
	Spam	0.094	Spam	0.905	
Naïve Bayes	Not Spam	0.944	Spam	0.0557	
	Not Spam	0.944	Spam	0.0557	
	Spam	0.106	Spam	0.893	

As we see in the test results, the Naïve Bayes and Logistic Regression models were the best performing model on test data also.



In summary, the similarities in model performance is likely due to woe binning as both methods used the WOE binning, I think that the application of both models are interesting and given the similarities, we would need more data to make a decision for use in a production environment. However, if this was all the data, I would use the Naïve Bayes model because of the distributions used and as a result might be more robust.