

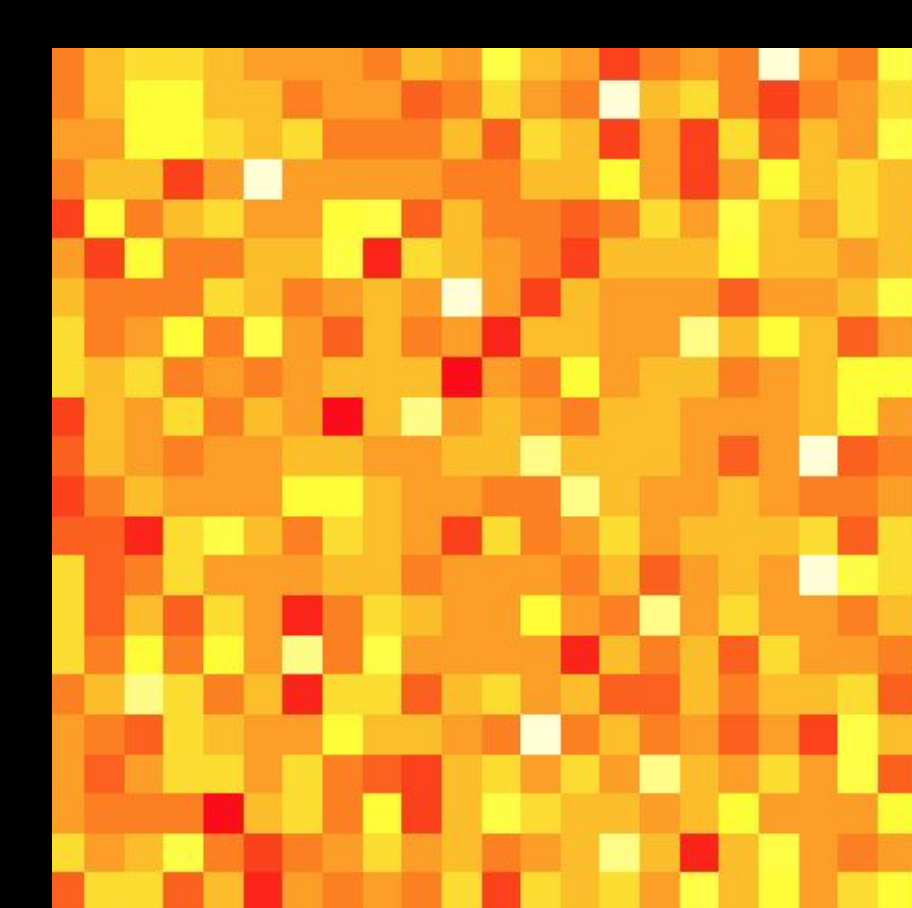
Introduction

Our firm “Weesnaw” was hired as consultants to analyze the results of Dr. Hanh, and develop a computational model that analyzes and generates the prediction of Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) with biomarkers. We were given a data set with biomarker data and 67 samples that have ASD with the last column labelling it as ASD or not (has NEU - are neurotypical). Our task is to create an LDA model and see if we can improve it or find a better model.



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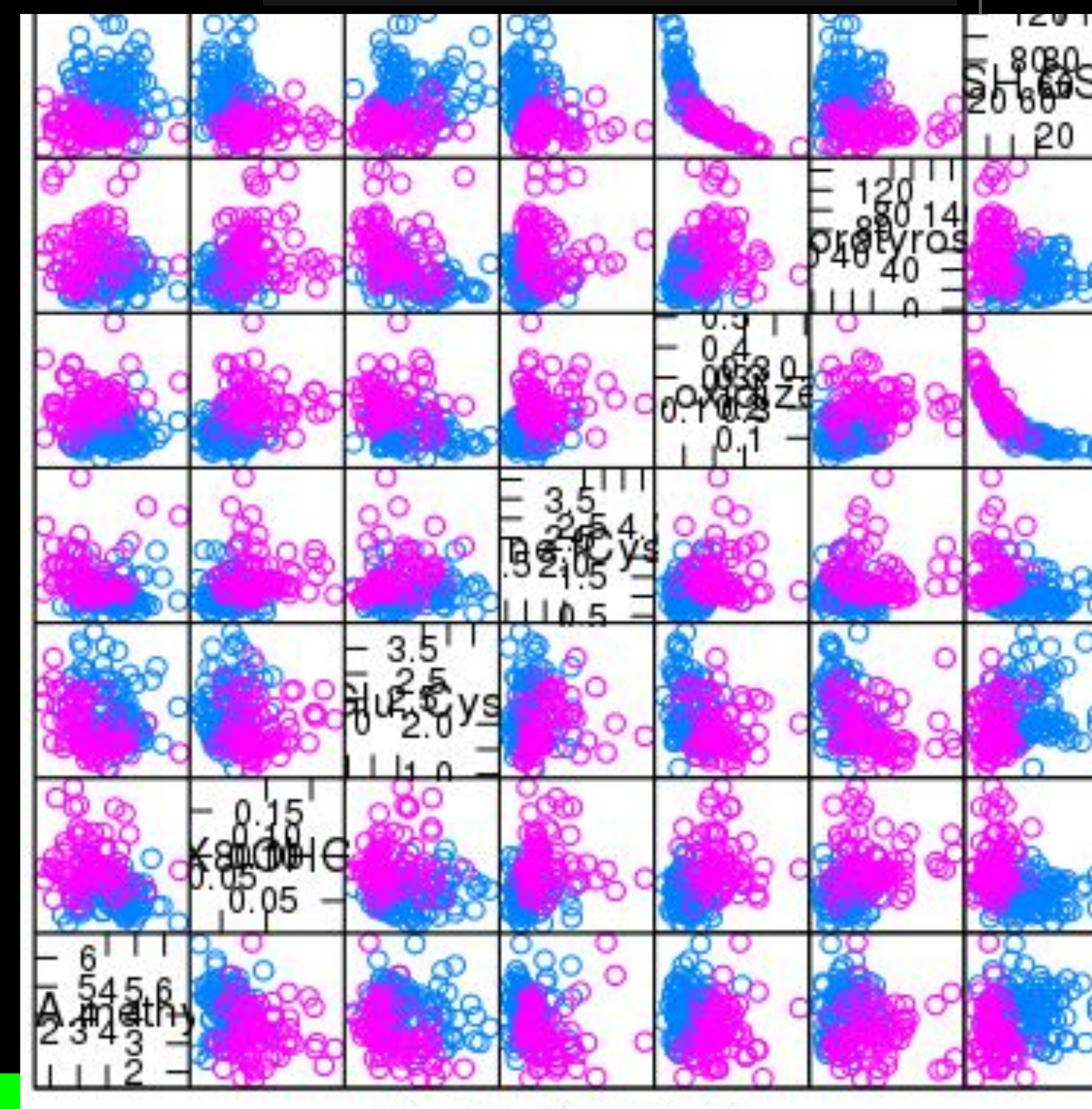
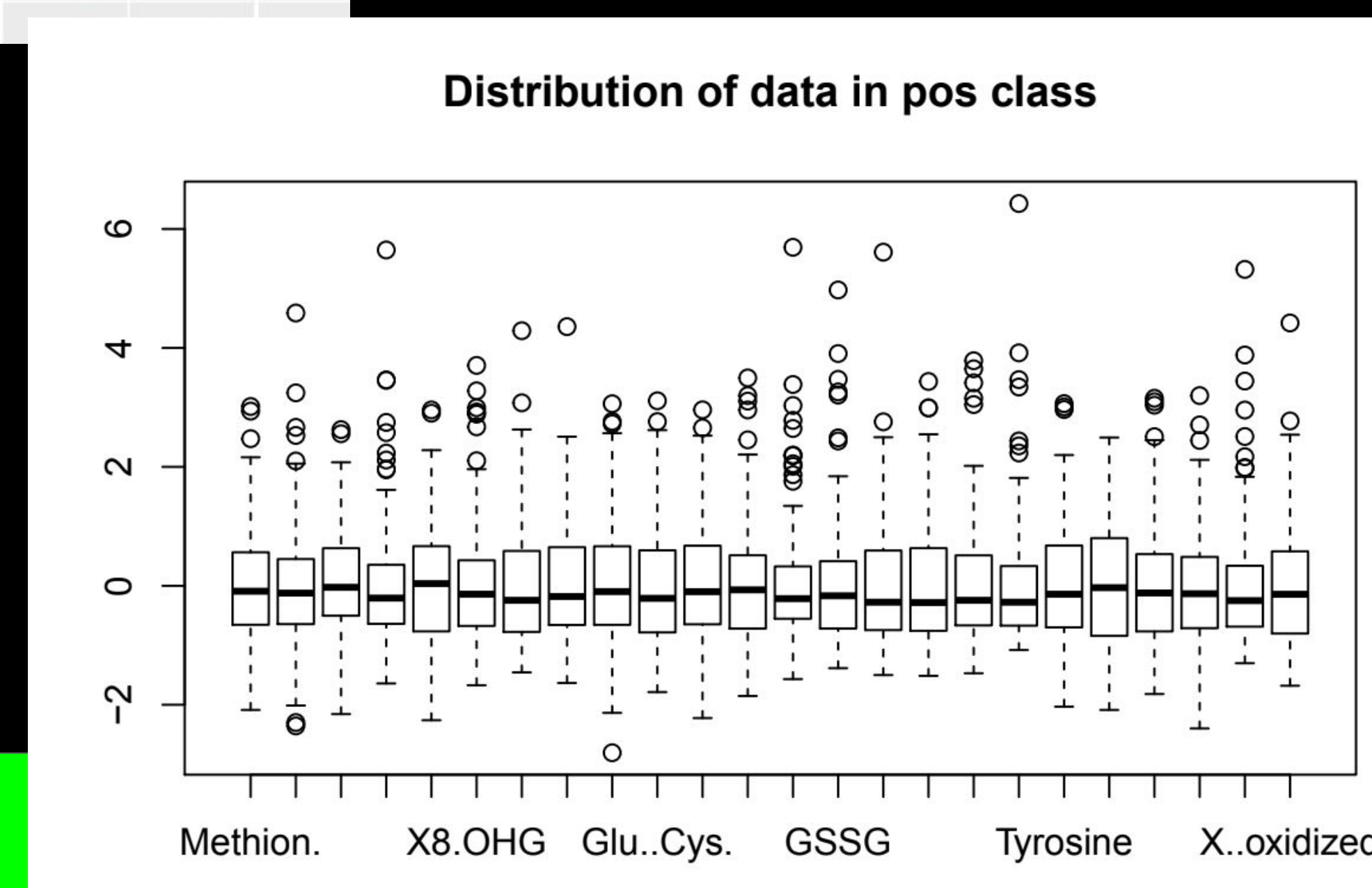
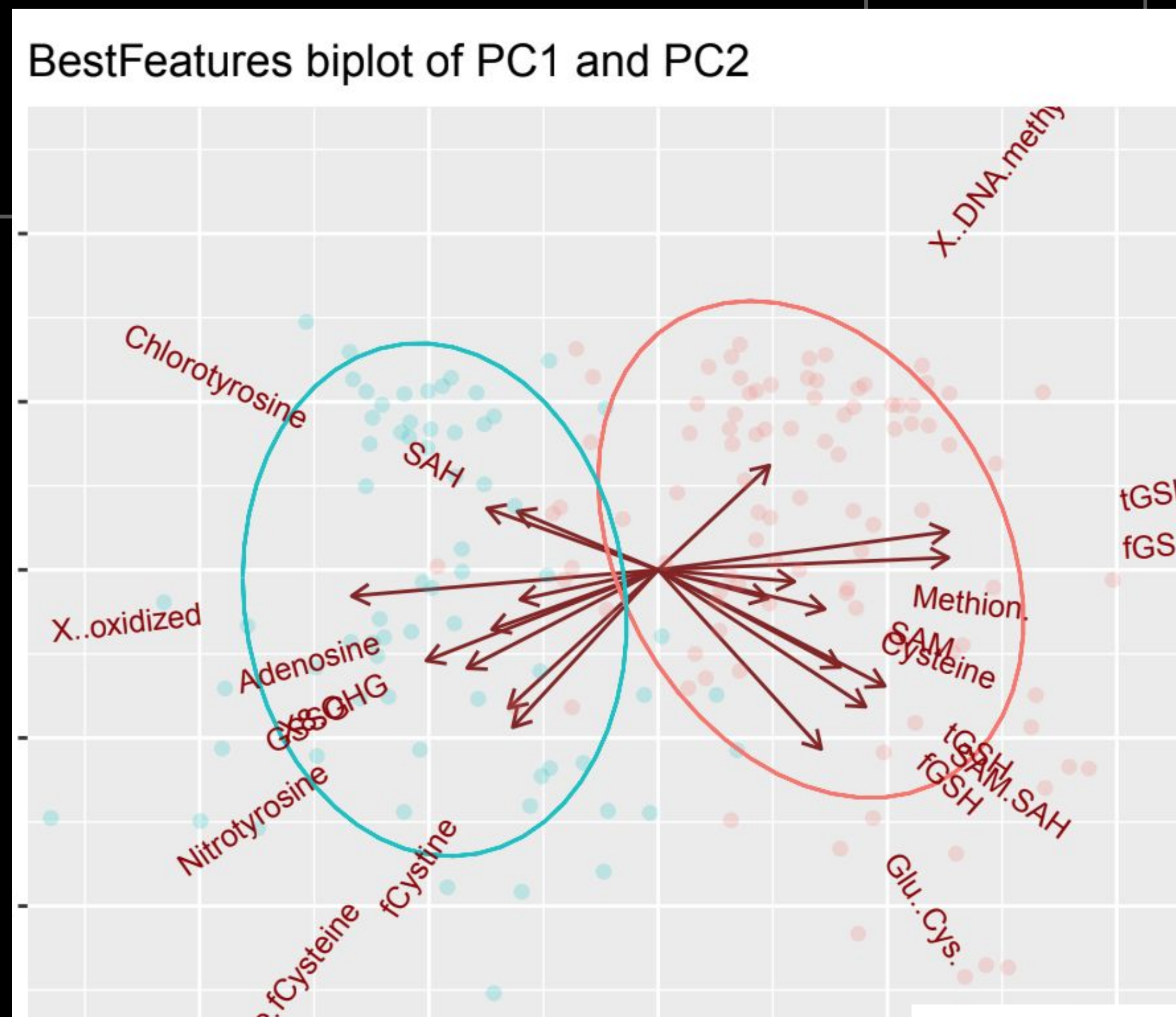
DATA ANALYSIS



Univariate Logistic Regression & Feature Challenge

- For the feature challenge we used the best features from the regression that were not the variables Dr. Hahn identified.
- We used regression to calculate p-values which we used to determine feature importance

| SVM(feats) | Reference | |
|------------|-----------|------|
| 87.8% | NEU | ASD |
| Pred | NEU | 24 4 |
| | ASD | 1 12 |



Alternative Models

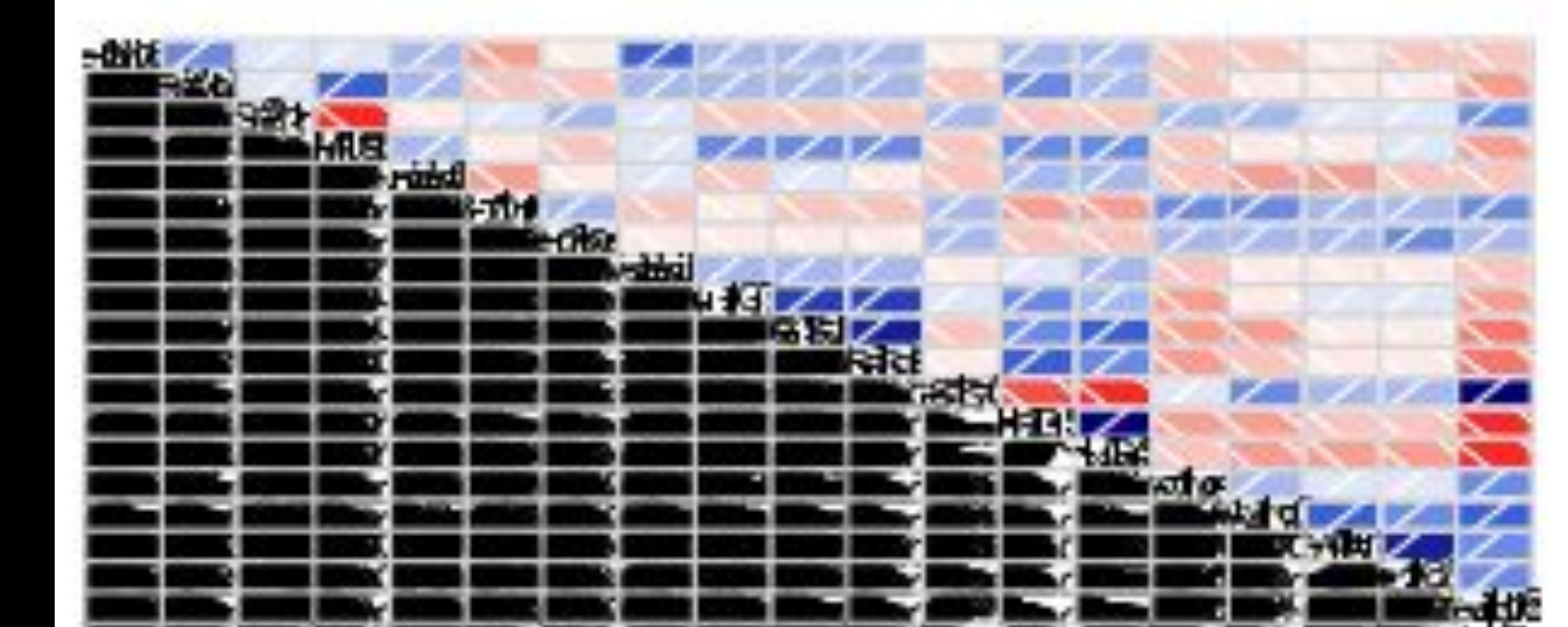
Ran multiple logistic regression on data in dataframe Train.df. Also ran SVM (87.8%) and PLSDA (88.5%.

| SVM | Reference | | PLSDA | Reference | |
|------|-----------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| | NEU | ASD | | NEU | ASD |
| Pred | NEU | 93 14 | Pred | NEU | 22 1 |
| | ASD | 5 53 | | ASD | 3 1 |

Additional Analysis

- Used ggplot function to examine different components to determine the best way to separate data in seeing which features are important for classification
- Used corrgram function to create a correlogram of the Best Features which compares through shading and presents points.
- Plotted the 7 paper variables against each other to see how separable they are
- plotted boxplots of both sets of features, scaled and unscaled to specifically see the variation in the range of values and to identify outliers.

Correleogram of Best Features



Data Description

Our training data consisted of 165 groups (rows) of patients who were diagnosed as being on the scale (ASD) vs. people who were not (NEU). There are 24 factors that represent different organic compounds found in blood samples.

Our testing data consists of 41 groups (rows) of patients, and classifies them the same way our training data does (ASD vs. NEU based on 24 factors)

In our code we used ‘fuldat’ to store the 165 observations of the seven features chosen by Dr. Hahn. The seven features are specifically stored

in ‘papervar’
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LDA VS SVM COMPARISON

| | TRAIN SET | | | TEST SET | | |
|-----|-----------|------|------|----------|------|------|
| | ASD | NEU | ALL | ASD | NEU | ALL |
| SVM | .984 | .960 | .970 | .923 | .857 | .878 |
| LDA | .940 | .959 | .949 | .810 | .885 | .960 |
| LOO | | | | .938 | .940 | .939 |

Conclusion

In the end, Weesnaw has come to the conclusion that in this first round of analysis, that Dr. Hahn has picked out features as relevant as the ones Weesnaw has. Our recommended model is LDA since it performed better on the testing data we chose, though SVM is still a good choice since it fit the training data better.