

# Classification and Regression Trees with `ada` and `gbm`

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# Stochastic Boosting

- Supervised learning
- Algorithm - Schapire 1990 (AdaBoost 1996)
- Ensemble of weak learners
- Works well for categorical features

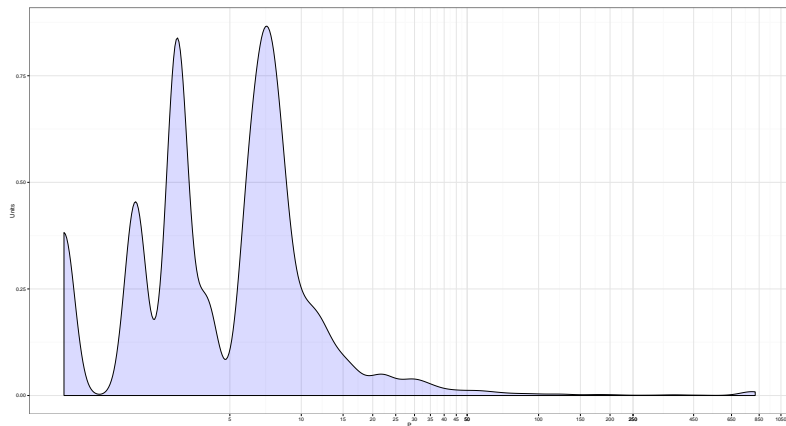
# R Packages for Stochastic Boosting

- `ada` - Discrete, simple implementation
- `gbm` - Generalized boosting, regression
- `mboost` - Generalized boosting, regression
- Other Suggestions?

# Source Data

```
> str(stwX)
'data.frame': 10691 obs. of 13 variables:
 $ XD1: int  4 6 3 6 2 6 4 4 2 3 ...
 $ YD : chr  "O" "O" "O" "O" ...
 $ XD2: Factor w/ 3 levels "...",...: 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...
 $ XD3: Factor w/ 2 levels "...", "UNK": 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...
 $ XD4: Factor w/ 41 levels "AF",...: 13 13 11 15 13 11 15 9 9 11 ...
 $ XC1: num  2296 295 3298 136 1692 ...
 $ XC2: int   7 9 7 5 5 8 8 9 39 5 ...
 $ Y   : int   8 8 7 11 18 6 6 6 17 14 ...
 $ XCN: int   1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
 $ XD5: Factor w/ 18 levels "...",...: 5 9 17 10 10 7 17 17 17 18 ...
 $ XD6: Factor w/ 7 levels "...",...: 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...
 $ XD7: Factor w/ 3 levels "I", "O", "Other": 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...
 $ rnd: num  0.485 0.48 0.987 0.185 0.158 ...
```

# Data Density



# Data Preparation

```
stwX <- transform(stwX, YD=ifelse(Y<=5, 'E', 'O'))
stwX <- data.frame(stwX, rnd=runif(length(stwX[,1])))

est <- subset(stwX, rnd<0.8) [,c(1,2,4,5,6,7,10:12)]
val <- subset(stwX, rnd >=0.8) [,c(1,2,4,5,6,7,10:12)]

n <- length(est[,1])
train<-sample(1:n,floor(.7*n),FALSE)
test<-setdiff(1:n,train)
```

# ada Call

```
bt.fit <- ada(YD ~ .  
             , data = est[train,],  
             iter=500  
             ,nu=.1  
             ,type='discrete')  
  
bt.fit <- addtest(bt.fit,test.x=est[test,-2]  
                 ,test.y=est[test,2])
```

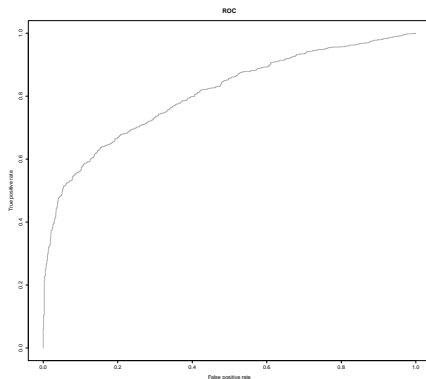
# Evaluating Training Step

```
> summary(bt.fit)
Call:
ada(YD ~ ., data = est[train, ],
    , iter = 500, nu = 0.1, type = "discrete")
Loss: exponential Method: discrete   Iteration: 500
Training Results
Accuracy: 0.737 Kappa: 0.477
Testing Results
Accuracy: 0.707 Kappa: 0.415
```

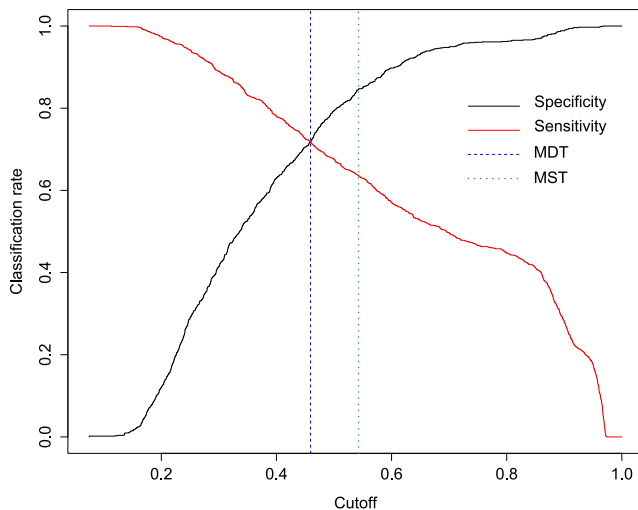


# Identifying Optimal Cutoff I

```
> PredBTlook<- data.frame(obs=val$YD,predict=pred1$class)  
  
> stcPred(PredBT$predict,PredBT$obs)  
[1] "(MDT,MST) = ( 0.459209308105611 , 0.54264704394395 )"
```



# Identifying Optimal Cutoff II



# Accuracy, Sensitivity and Specificity

```
> precision(.45,PredBT$predict,PredBT$obs)
      obs
      <=5  >5
P <=5    809 307
   >5    305 731
[[1]]
```

```
[[2]]
specificity sensitivity
  0.7055985   0.7249104
```

```
[[3]]
<= 5 Predictive      >5 Predictive
Accuracy              Accuracy
  0.7042389          0.7262118
```

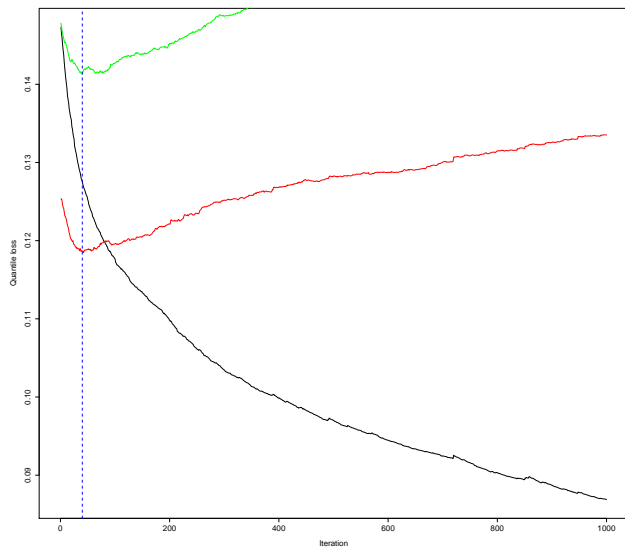
```
[1] "BT Validation Area Under the Curve: 0.806690763343988"
```

# gbm Call

```
est <- subset(stwA, rnd < 0.8) [, c(1, 4:8, 10:12)]
val <- subset(stwA, rnd >= 0.8) [, c(1, 4:8, 10:12)]

gbm.fit <- gbm(log(Y) ~ ., data=est,
  distribution=list(name='quantile', alpha=0.5),
  n.trees=1000,
  shrinkage=.05,
  interaction.depth=5,
  bag.fraction=.5,
  train.fraction=.5,
  cv.folds=5,
  keep.data=T,
  verbose=F
)
```

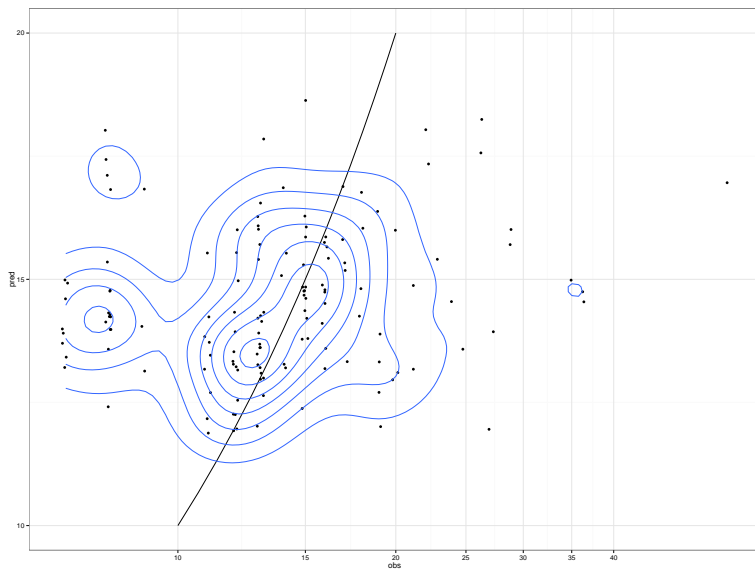
# Fit Diagnostics



```
> best.iter <- gbm.perf(gbm.fit,method="cv")
> print(best.iter)
[1] 40

> summary(gbm.fit,n.trees=best.iter)
      var    rel.inf
XD5 XD5 34.994135
XD4 XD4 24.465712
XD1 XD1 21.217152
XC2 XC2  9.733716
XC1 XC1  7.938009
XD3 XD3  1.651275
XD6 XD6  0.000000
XD7 XD7  0.000000
```

# Observed vs Predicted



```
ggplot(data=pre) +  
  geom_jitter(aes(x=obs,y=pred)) +  
  geom_line(data=z,aes(x=b,y=b)) +  
  geom_density2d(aes(x=obs,y=pred)) +  
  scale_x_continuous(trans='log',  
                     breaks=c(seq(0,40,5),75,100,150,200)) +  
  scale_y_continuous(breaks=c(seq(0,20,5))) +  
  theme_bw()
```



# Suggested Reading

ECOL/BIOL 563 Statistical Methods in Ecology

<http://www.unc.edu/courses/2010fall/ecol/563/001/>

`ada`: An R Package for Stochastic Boosting; Culp, Johnson, Michailidis [http:](http://www.stat.wvu.edu/~mculp/math/ada/ada_manual.pdf)

[//www.stat.wvu.edu/~mculp/math/ada/ada\\_manual.pdf](http://www.stat.wvu.edu/~mculp/math/ada/ada_manual.pdf)

Generalized Boosted Models: A guide to the `gbm` package, Ridgeway

<http://cran.open-source-solution.org/web/packages/gbm/vignettes/gbm.pdf>

Visualizing Classifier Performance in R <http://rocr.bioinf.mpi-sb.mpg.de/>