Project Document

Part I: Exploratory Data Analysis

About the Data

Our data was obtained via UCI's Machine Learning Repository. The data is a multivariate set designed to explore student performance tied to various predictors during a collection period from 2005-2006. The data is split into two sets: Mathematics (student-mat.csv) and Portuguese (student-por.csv). These are the two subjects where records of student's attending two pubic school's from the Alentejo region of Portugal performance (our outcome y) were recorded. Predictor variables include a range of demographic, social, health, and school related attributes.

The data was utilized by a paper published in 2008 titled "Using data mining to predict secondary school performance". The study's goal was to use BI/DM techniques to build a model that accurately predicted student performance given predictor variables that provided the best accuracy. Below, we will conduct an EDA exploring and cleaning this data set prior to conducting a replication of their study while critiquing their process and adding/removing anything we deem necessary to result in the best models for our given data and prior proposed research goal.

Loading our Libraries

Attaching package: 'car'

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library(tidyverse)
-- Attaching core tidyverse packages -----
                                                     ----- tidyverse 2.0.0 --
v dplyr
            1.1.4
                      v readr
                                   2.1.5
v forcats
            1.0.0
                                   1.5.1
                      v stringr
v ggplot2
            4.0.0
                      v tibble
                                   3.2.1
                      v tidyr
                                   1.3.1
v lubridate 1.9.3
v purrr
            1.0.2
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                  masks stats::lag()
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library(car)
Loading required package: carData
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Loading our Data

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# loading in both of our data sets, we will title them by their
# subject
math <- read.csv("student-mat.csv", sep = ";")
portuguese <- read.csv("student-por.csv", sep = ";") # our data was seperated by semi colons
# instead of the traditional comma</pre>
```

Understanding the Data Structure

Prior to inspecting and cleaning our data, it is important we fully encapsulate what each column, row, and value mean.

head(math)

	school s	ex	age	address	famsize	Pstatus	Medu	Fedu	Mjc	рþ	Fjob	r	eason
1	GP	F	18	U	GT3	A	4	4	at_hom	ne t	eacher	С	ourse
2	GP	F	17	U	GT3	Т	1	1	at_hom	ne	other	С	ourse
3	GP	F	15	U	LE3	Т	1	1	at_hom	ne	other		other
4	GP	F	15	U	GT3	Т	4	2	healt	th se	rvices		home
5	GP	F	16	U	GT3	Т	3	3	othe	er	other		home
6	GP	M	16	U	LE3	Т	4	3	service	es	other	reput	ation
	guardian	tı	rave]	ltime stu	dytime f	ailures	schoo	olsup	${\tt famsup}$	paid	activ	ities	
1	mother			2	2	0		yes	no	no		no	
2	father			1	2	0		no	yes	no		no	
3	mother			1	2	3		yes	no	yes		no	
4	mother			1	3	0		no	yes	yes		yes	
5	father			1	2	0		no	yes	yes		no	
6	mother			1	2	0		no	yes	yes		yes	
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2	no		yes	yes	n	10	5	3	3	1	1	3	
3	yes		yes	yes	n	10 4	1	3	2	2	3	3	
4	yes		yes	yes	ye	s 3	3	2	2	1	1	5	
5	yes		yes	no	n	10 4	1	3	2	1	2	5	
6	yes		yes	yes	n	10	5	4	2	1	2	5	
	absences	G1	L G2	G3									
1	6	5	5 6	6									
2	4	. 5	5 5	6									
3	10	7	7 8	10									
4	2	15	5 14	15									
5	4	. 6	3 10	10									
6	10	15	5 15	15									

head(portuguese)

	school	sex	age	address	famsize	Pstatus	Medu	Fedu	Mjob	Fjob	reason
1	GP	F	18	U	GT3	A	4	4	at_home	teacher	course
2	GP	F	17	U	GT3	Т	1	1	at home	other	course

3	GP	F 15	5	U	LE3		T	1	1	at_ho	me	ot	ther		${\tt other}$
4	GP	F 15	5	U	GT3		T	4	2	heal	th s	servi	ices		home
5	GP	F 16	5	U	GT3		T	3	3	oth	er	ot	ther		home
6	GP	M 16	3	U	LE3		T	4	3	servic	es	ot	ther	reput	ation
	guardian	trave	eltime	stu	dytime :	failı	ıres	scho	olsup	famsup	pai	id a	ctiv	ities	
1	mother		2		2		0		yes	no	r	10		no	
2	father		1		2		0		no	yes	r	10		no	
3	mother		1		2		0		yes	no	r	10		no	
4	mother		1		3		0		no	yes	r	10		yes	
5	father		1		2		0		no	yes	r	10		no	
6	mother		1		2		0		no	yes		10		yes	
	nursery :	higheı	inte	rnet	romant	ic fa	amrel	l fre	etime	goout 1	Dalo	c Wal	c h	ealth	
1	yes	yes	5	no	:	no		1	3	4	1	1	1	3	
2	no	yes	5	yes	:	no		5	3	3		1	1	3	
3	yes	yes	3	yes	:	no	4		3	2		2	3	3	
4	yes	yes	3	yes	У	es	3	3	2	2		1	1	5	
5	yes	yes	3	no	:	no		1	3	2		1	2	5	
6	yes	yes		yes	:	no	Ę	5	4	2	1	1	2	5	
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4	0	14 14	14												
5	0	11 13	3 13												
6	6	12 12	2 13												

Both of our data sets are structured the same with the same column and row variables as well as structured values. This will help make implementing any cleaning and modeling simpler.

Variables & Values

Referring back to the original paper, there are 33 columns of interest. Those variables are listed below alongside their values, with explanation and clarification as needed, below:

For a visual example, I have printed a random row to show how the values are presented as they are explained below

```
math[3, ]
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school sex age address famsize Pstatus Medu Fedu Mjob Fjob reason

3 GP F 15 U LE3 T 1 1 at_home other other guardian traveltime studytime failures schoolsup famsup paid activities

3 2 yes mother 1 3 yes no no nursery higher internet romantic famrel freetime goout Dalc Walc health 3 4 3 2 2 3 3 yes yes yes no absences G1 G2 G3 10 7 8 10 3

school - Binary values of either GP (Gabriel Pereira) or MS (Mousinho da Silveira) of which school a student attended.

sex - Binary values of either F (female) or M (male) regarding a students sex.

age - Numeric value of a students age from 15 - 22.

address - Binary values of either U (urban) or R (rural) regarding a students home address.

famsize - Binary values of either LE3 (less than or equal to 3 family members) or GT3 (greater than 3 family members).

Pstatus - Binary values of either T (parents are living together) or A (parents are living apart) for parents living status.

Medu - Leveled integer value of range 0-4 with 0 reflecting no education or below primary completion, 1 reflecting completion of primary education (up to 4th grade), 2 reflecting completion of 5-9th grade education, 3 reflecting completion of secondary education, and 4 reflecting higher education (college degree or higher) of a students' mother's education.

Fedu - Leveled integer value of range 0-4 with 0 reflecting no education or below primary completion, 1 reflecting completion of primary education (up to 4th grade), 2 reflecting completion of 5-9th grade education, 3 reflecting completion of secondary education, and 4 reflecting higher education (college degree or higher) of a students' father's education.

Mjob - Nominal values for a students' mother's job classified as teacher, health (any care related profession), services (any administrative or police related field), at_home (none), other (not stated).

Fjob - Nominal values for a students' father's job classified as teacher, health (any care related profession), services (any administrative or police related field), at_home (none), other (not stated).

reason - Nominal values for a student's reason for school selection as either home (close to home), reputation, course (valued courses provided), other (reason not stated).

guardian - Nominal values for who the primary caregiver of the student is as either mother, father, or other. Reason for why both parents cannot be listed is not stated.

traveltime - Leveled integer values representing travel time to school on a scale of 1-4, 1 reflecting <15 minutes, 2 reflecting 15-30 minutes, 3 reflecting 30 minutes to 1 hour, 4 reflecting >1 hour travel time.

studytime - Leveled integer values representing average weekly study time reported by the student on a scale of 1-4, 1 reflecting <2 hours, 2 reflecting 2-5 hours, 3 reflecting 5-10 hours, 4 reflecting >10 hours study time.

failures - Leveled integer values representing the number of classes a student has failed prior to enrolling in this course with a scale of 1-4, each reflecting the amount of courses failed, 4 being > or = 4 failed classes.

schoolsup - Binary value for either yes or no student receiving additional educational support outside of the course. Not specified if this is inclusive of in-school tutoring and/or support such as services for language gaps or speech development.

famsup - Binary value for either yes or no student receiving additional family educational support outside of the course (family members assist in helping the student with studying or homework). If yes, we are assuming a student receives help from family generally.

paid - Binary value for either yes or no student is paying for additional educational support for the course.

activities - Binary value for either yes or no student is participating in extra-curricular activities.

nursery - Binary value for either yes or no student attended nursery school in the past (equivalent to pre-school education in America).

higher - Binary value for either yes or no student wants to pursue higher education courses in the future.

internet - Binary value for either yes or no student has internet access at home.

romantic - Binary value for either yes or no student is currently in a romantic relationship.

famrel - Leveled integer values scaled from 1-5 for a students quality of family relationships, 1 being very bad and 5 being excellent.

freetime - Leveled integer values scaled from 1-5 for a students free time after school, 1 being very little free time and 5 being lots of free time.

goout - Leveled integer values scaled from 1-5 of how often a student goes out with freinds, 1 being not often and 5 being very often.

Dalc - Leveled integer values scaled from 1-5 of how often a student consumes alcohol on a weekday, 1 being not often and 5 being very often.

Walc - Leveled integer values scaled from 1-5 of how often a student consumes alcohol on a weekend, 1 being not often and 5 being very often.

health - Leveled integer values scaled from 1-5 of a students health status, 1 being bad and 5 being very good.

absences - Numeric values of the number of day absences the student has from the course so far, i.e. a value of 5 would mean the student has been absent from the class a total of 5 times.

- G1 Leveled integer values scaled from 0-20 of a students first period grade in the course(period is a trimester in American equivalency).
- G2 Leveled integer values scaled from 0-20 of a students second period grade in the course.
- G3 Leveled integer values scaled from 0-20 of a students third period grade in the course.

Classes & Values

Given the review of our variables and their values, we should expect (was gonna explain what classes i expect them to be and also suggest changing the G1-G3 to numeric values so we can use them unleveled)

str(math)

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'data.frame':
                395 obs. of 33 variables:
                    "GP" "GP" "GP" "GP" ...
$ school
            : chr
                    "F" "F" "F" "F" ...
$ sex
             : chr
$ age
             : int
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                    "ט" "ט" "ט" "ט" . . .
$ address
             : chr
                    "GT3" "GT3" "LE3" "GT3" ...
$ famsize
            : chr
                    "A" "T" "T" "T" ...
$ Pstatus
             : chr
             : int
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$ Medu
$ Fedu
                    4 1 1 2 3 3 2 4 2 4 ...
             : int
                    "at_home" "at_home" "health" ...
$ Mjob
             : chr
$ Fjob
             : chr
                    "teacher" "other" "services" ...
$ reason
             : chr
                    "course" "course" "other" "home" ...
$ guardian : chr
                    "mother" "father" "mother" "mother" ...
$ traveltime: int
                    2 1 1 1 1 1 1 2 1 1 ...
$ studytime : int
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$ failures : int
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$ schoolsup : chr
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                    "no" "yes" "no" "yes" ...
$ famsup
             : chr
$ paid
                    "no" "no" "yes" "yes" ...
             : chr
                    "no" "no" "no" "yes" ...
$ activities: chr
                    "yes" "no" "yes" "yes" ...
$ nursery
             : chr
                    "yes" "yes" "yes" "yes" ...
$ higher
             : chr
                    "no" "yes" "yes" "yes" ...
$ internet
             : chr
                    "no" "no" "no" "yes" ...
$ romantic : chr
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$ freetime : int 3 3 3 2 3 4 4 1 2 5 ...
$ goout
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$ Dalc
           : int
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$ Walc
           : int 1 1 3 1 2 2 1 1 1 1 ...
$ health
           : int 3 3 3 5 5 5 3 1 1 5 ...
$ absences : int 6 4 10 2 4 10 0 6 0 0 ...
$ G1
           : int 5 5 7 15 6 15 12 6 16 14 ...
$ G2
           : int 6 5 8 14 10 15 12 5 18 15 ...
           : int 6 6 10 15 10 15 11 6 19 15 ...
$ G3
```

str(portuguese)

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649 obs. of 33 variables:
'data.frame':
                   "GP" "GP" "GP" "GP" ...
$ school
         : chr
$ sex
            : chr
                   "F" "F" "F" "F" ...
$ age
                   18 17 15 15 16 16 16 17 15 15 ...
            : int
                   "ט" "ט" "ט" "ט" . . .
$ address : chr
                   "GT3" "GT3" "LE3" "GT3" ...
$ famsize : chr
                   "A" "T" "T" "T" ...
$ Pstatus : chr
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$ Medu
            : int
$ Fedu
            : int
                  4 1 1 2 3 3 2 4 2 4 ...
$ Mjob
                  "at_home" "at_home" "health" ...
            : chr
$ Fjob
            : chr
                   "teacher" "other" "services" ...
                   "course" "course" "other" "home" ...
$ reason
            : chr
$ guardian : chr
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$ traveltime: int
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$ studytime : int
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$ failures : int
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$ schoolsup : chr
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$ famsup
            : chr
                   "no" "no" "no" "no" ...
$ paid
            : chr
$ activities: chr
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$ higher
            : chr
                   "no" "yes" "yes" "yes" ...
$ internet : chr
                   "no" "no" "no" "yes" ...
$ romantic : chr
$ famrel
           : int 4543454445 ...
$ freetime : int 3 3 3 2 3 4 4 1 2 5 ...
           : int 4 3 2 2 2 2 4 4 2 1 ...
$ goout
           : int 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
$ Dalc
$ Walc
            : int 1131221111...
```

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$ health : int 3 3 3 5 5 5 3 1 1 5 ...
$ absences : int 4 2 6 0 0 6 0 2 0 0 ...
$ G1 : int 0 9 12 14 11 12 13 10 15 12 ...
$ G2 : int 11 11 13 14 13 12 12 13 16 12 ...
$ G3 : int 11 11 12 14 13 13 13 13 17 13 ...
```

This gives us a general idea of what each column look, and the class which is all integers and character columns.

Cleaning Up

```
sum(is.na(math))
[1] 0
sum(is.na(portuguese))
```

[1] 0

The original data from the survey was processed and certain variables were excluded by the author of the paper due to lack of discriminative value. To verify that our data sets are clean, we check to see if there are any missing values.

Our general approach to this project involves replicating some of the models used in the paper. The paper would predict student success using the G3 score, in one of three forums: binary classification, classification with five levels, and regression on the 0-20 scale. To ease the replication process we will create two new columns to represent the forum we want our output to be in:

```
math <- math |>
  mutate(five_level=case_when(
    G3 > 15 ~ "I",
    G3 >= 14 ~ "II",
    G3 >=12 ~ "III",
    G3 >=10 ~ "IV",
    G3 < 10 ~ "V"
)) |>
    mutate(pass_fail=case_when(
    G3>=10 ~ "Pass",
```

```
G3<10 ~ "Fail"
    )) -> math2
portuguese <- portuguese |>
  mutate(five_level=case_when(
    G3 > 15 ~ "I",
    G3 >= 14 ~ "II",
    G3 >=12 ~ "III",
    G3 >=10 ~ "IV",
    G3 < 10 ~ "V"
  )) |>
    mutate(pass_fail=case_when(
     G3>=10 ~ "Pass",
      G3<<mark>10 ~ "Fail"</mark>
    )) -> portuguese2
math2$five_level<-factor(math2$five_level)</pre>
portuguese2$five_level<-factor(portuguese2$five_level)</pre>
```

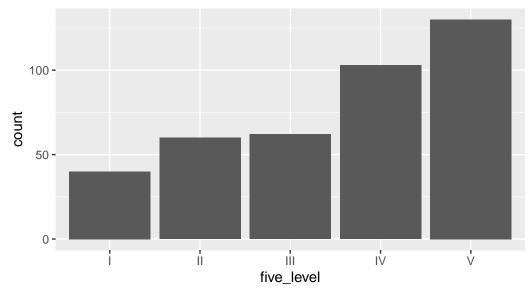
Correlations & Distribution

Means & Distributions

Here we exam visual distributions

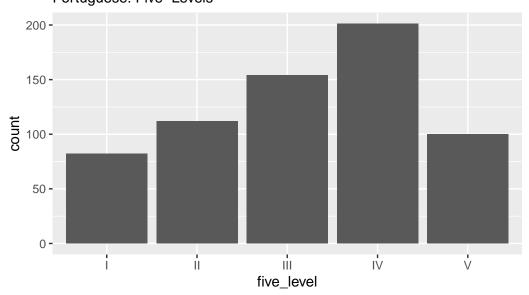
```
library(ggplot2)
ggplot(data=math2, aes(x=five_level))+
  geom_bar() +
  ggtitle(paste("Mean:", round(mean(
    as.numeric(math2$five_level)), 2))) +
  labs(subtitle = "Math: Five-Levels")
```

Mean: 3.56 Math: Five-Levels

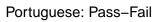


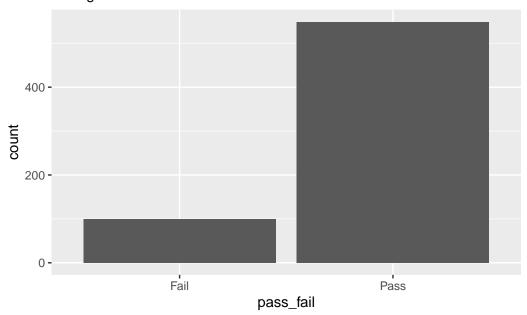
```
ggplot(data=portuguese2, aes(x=five_level))+
  geom_bar() +
  ggtitle(paste("Mean:", round(mean(
      as.numeric(portuguese2$five_level)), 2))) +
  labs(subtitle = "Portuguese: Five-Levels")
```

Mean: 3.19
Portuguese: Five-Levels



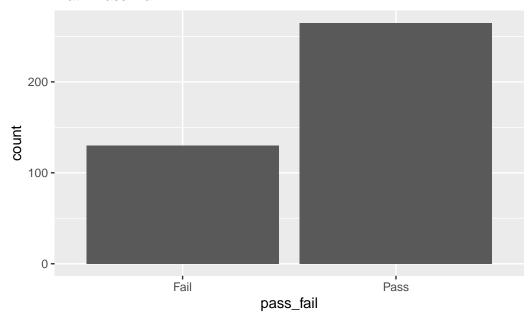
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ggplot(data=portuguese2, aes(x=pass_fail))+
  geom_bar() +
  labs(subtitle = "Portuguese: Pass-Fail")
```





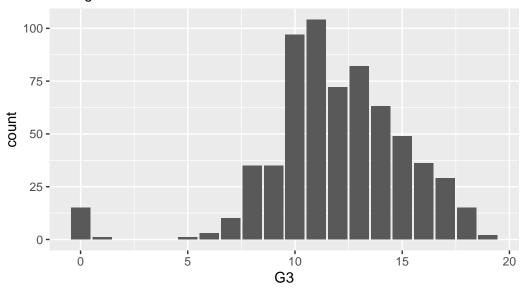
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ggplot(data=math2, aes(x=pass_fail))+
  geom_bar() +
  labs(subtitle = "Math: Pass-Fail")
```

Math: Pass-Fail



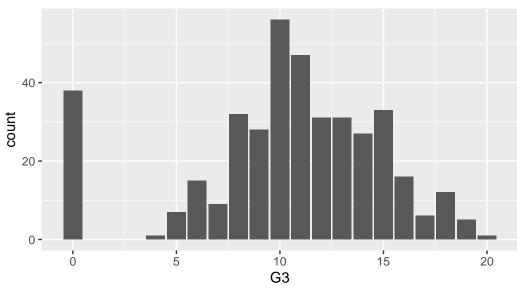
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ggplot(data=portuguese2, aes(x=G3))+
  geom_bar() +
  ggtitle(paste("Mean:", round(mean(
    as.numeric(portuguese2$G3)), 2))) +
  labs(subtitle = "Portuguese: G3")
```

Mean: 11.91 Portuguese: G3



```
ggplot(data=math2, aes(x=G3))+
  geom_bar() +
  ggtitle(paste("Mean:", round(mean(
    as.numeric(math2$G3)), 2))) +
  labs(subtitle = "Math: G3")
```

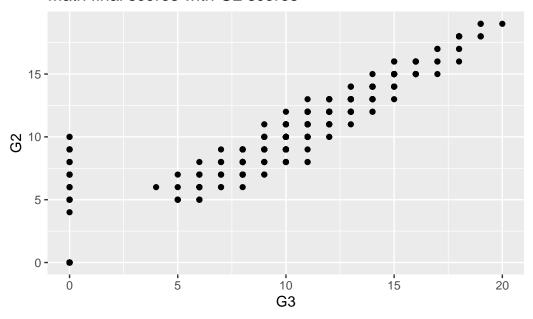
Mean: 10.42 Math: G3



Correlations & Plots

```
ggplot(data=math2, aes(x=G3, y=G2))+
  geom_point()+
  labs(title="Math final scores with G2 scores")
```

Math final scores with G2 scores



Clear correlation between second period grades and final grade, shows the in-balance of models that use G2 as a predictor vs those that don't. We will dive into collinearity assumptions with tests in the statistical analysis section.

Statistical Analysis

Its important to note any patterns or anomalies with our data. We will look at possible outliers and quickly summarize G3 (our predicted variable).

summary(portuguese2\$G3)

```
Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max. 0.00 10.00 12.00 11.91 14.00 19.00
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```
sd(portuguese2$G3)
```

[1] 3.230656

summary(math2\$G3)

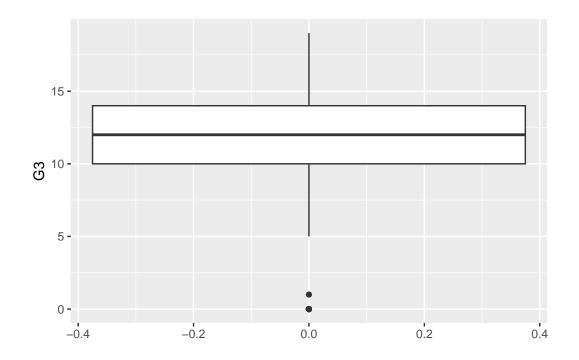
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Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max. 0.00 8.00 11.00 10.42 14.00 20.00
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sd(math2\$G3)

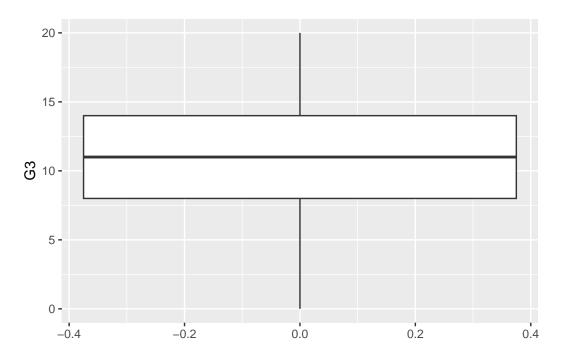
[1] 4.581443

It seems most students pass, with math scores being slightly lower on average.

```
ggplot(portuguese2, aes(y=G3)) + geom_boxplot()
```



ggplot(math2, aes(y=G3)) + geom_boxplot()



It seems our Portuguese course has two values that are outliers, but we will not remove them

as values due to their predictive ability for students who may fail a class. Also, tree-based models are not affected by outliers.

There are a few ways to test for collinearity with variables: VIF, visualization on a scatter plot, or using a pairwise approach and testing its correlation.

```
# testing using VIF
lm_for_VIF <- lm(G3 ~ G1 + G2, data=portuguese2)
vif(lm_for_VIF)</pre>
```

```
G1 G2
3.971299 3.971299
```

A VIF score of 1 is typically indicates no correlation with other predictors. A VIF of 10 is generally considered too high. However, its also important to consider what kind of model we are creating. We are creating prediction models, so we would consider a value of about ~3.97 to be relatively moderate. Essentially, utilization of both predictors G1 and G2 in our model is not likely to cause issues with predicting our outcome, G3.

```
grades <- portuguese2[, c("G1", "G2", "G3")]

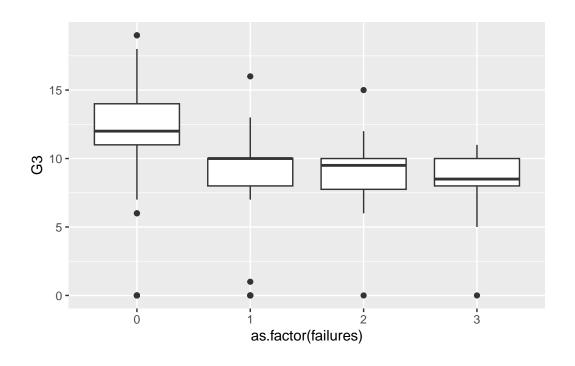
cor_matrix <- cor(grades, use = "complete.obs")
print(cor_matrix)</pre>
```

```
G1 G2 G3
G1 1.0000000 0.8649816 0.8263871
G2 0.8649816 1.0000000 0.9185480
G3 0.8263871 0.9185480 1.0000000
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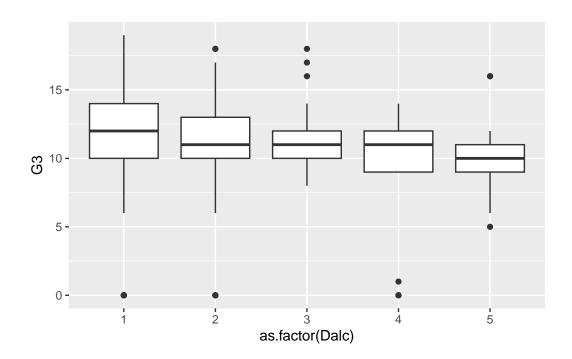
However, now that we have run a correlation matrix, it is displaying very strong correlation between our variables G1, G2, and G3. This confirms high collinearity among them, which would cause an increase in standard errors in our regression models.

Exploratory Graphs

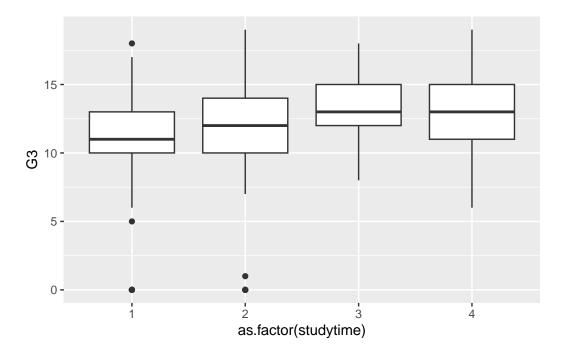
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portuguese2 <- portuguese2 %>%
  mutate(across(c(pass_fail, romantic, internet, higher, nursery, activities, paid, famsup, supplot(data=portuguese2, aes(x=as.factor(failures), y=G3))+
  geom_boxplot()
```



ggplot(data=portuguese2, aes(x=as.factor(Dalc), y=G3))+
 geom_boxplot()



ggplot(data=portuguese2, aes(x=as.factor(studytime), y=G3))+
 geom_boxplot()



We wanted to look at the relationship between some predictor variables that we thought may have a strong relationship to G3 final grades. We do see small correlations like lower grades as alcohol consumption increases, and higher grades as study time increases.

Review of Plan to fit Models

Our general approach to this project will be to recreate many of the models created in the paper connected with this data set. In the paper, the classification/regression methods tried to predict G3 (passing/failing Portuguese and Math) in 3 supervised approaches:

- Binary (Pass/Fail) Pass is considered G3>/=10; else is Fail
- 5-level Classification
- Regression (as is current G3 column, scale 0-20)

The data was then modeled using 5 data mining algorithm:

- Neural Networks (NN) E = 100 training epochs utilizing BFGS algorithm
- Support Vector Machines (SVM) SMO algorithm utilized

- Decision Trees (DT) node splitting utilized to reduce sum of squares
- Random Forest (RF) default parameters, T = 500
- Naive Predictor (NV) (1) baseline of G3 = G2, (2) G3 = G1, (3) most common class or mean

These 4 DM's were compared against the baseline naive predictor (NV) model. Additionally it was noted that 20 runs of 10-fold cross validation were applied to each configuration.

Each model was run with each of 3 input setups. The setups included (A), all variables minus G3, (B) all variables minus G2 and G3, and (C) neither G2, G3, or G1. This means that model (A) is utilizing the prediction power of G1 and G2 grades in their model for accurate prediction of G3 grades, where setup (B) utilizes solely G1 grades to predict G3, and setup (C) uses none of the trimester grades as a predictor for G3.

The reason the authors made this decision was due to the likelihood of high collinearity between G1, G2, and G3. The usage of Naive Predictors as three input configurations is to account for this potential (and likely) collinearity.

Furthermore, more pre-processing was established with nominal variables as well. The authors decided to transform them into a 1-of-C encoding with all attributes being standardized to a 0 mean and a one standard deviation.

Modeling Procedures

According to the paper that we are replicating, their goal was to "give a simple description that summarizes the best DM models". The authors used this model as it was collected, essentially creating a model that could be used to predict student outcomes once the student was in their third trimester of the class. We intend to work with the same desired prediction and usage of the variables.

In order to differentiate our model from theirs while still replicating part of the study, we wish to take the approach that the model is used prior to a students choice to enroll in a class. Essentially, our model see's to predict a students outcome in the class using variables that are known prior and during class enrollment so that a user could predict their grade before the third trimester.

We understand the choice of the authors to use an A-B-C subset method, however, given time constraint, we decided to solely select subset (A). Inclusion of G1 and G2 would indicate a model that can predict a students grade for trimester 3 while considering trimester 1 and 2.

We will prioritize replicating two of their original models - Decision Tree (DT) and Random Forest (RF). However, we plan to add three of our models: Partial Least Squares (PLS), LASSO Regression (LR), and Linear Discriminant Analysis (LDA). PLS and LR will use continuous 1-20 outcomes while our LDA would utilize the binary (pass/fail) outcome. We will also add a simple Multiple Linear Regression (MLR) as a baseline model. All of such will be used to predict outcomes for the Portuguese course (which has more observations, 649 v. 395) for time constraint, and only reproduce models with input A, as we want to view prediction power with the utilization of G1 and G2 grades.

Note on data splitting:

The paper states: "To access the predictive performances, 20 runs of a 10- fold cross-validation (Hastie et al. 2001) (in a total of 200 simulations) were applied to each configuration. Under such scheme, for a given run the data is randomly divided in 10 subsets of equal size. Sequentially, one different subset is tested (with 10% of the data) and the remaining data used to fit the DM technique. At the end of this process, the evaluated test set contains the whole dataset, although 10 variations of the same DM model are used to create the predictions."

To replicate the data we will not do an initial 20-80 split but run the 10-fold cross-validation on our models. This comes out to about 10% of the data utilized per fold, so 90% of our data will be used to train the models, and 10% will be used to test the data.

In summary, we intend to replicate this study, with key differences: we intend to use solely setup (C), we intend to replicate Decision Tree and Random Forest from the original paper but replace the other models with Partial Least Squares, Lasso and LDA, and examine solely the Portuguese course data for time constraint reasons.

Part 2: Model Fitting

Multiple Linear Regression (MLR) - continuous 1-20

Prior to evaluating the performance of our models, we decided to create a "dummy" model for baseline comparison to efficiently evaluate the performance of our more complex models, such as Decision Tree or Random Forest models. While complex models provide deeper analysis on feature interactions and non-linearity considerations, they can be prone to over-fitting and require more computation and steps, which may lead to mistakes on our part. In order to prevent and check for mistakes such as these, we are creating this baseline model to compare performance, to assure our complex models are not performing drastically different.

Below is our model, followed by assumptions to assure reliability.

```
library(mgcv)

Loading required package: nlme

Attaching package: 'nlme'

The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':
    collapse

This is mgcv 1.9-3. For overview type 'help("mgcv-package")'.

# we decided on a 90-10 split
set.seed(627)
train.pct <- 0.9
Z <- sample(nrow(portuguese), floor(train.pct*nrow(portuguese)))
portuguese.data <- portuguese[Z, ]
holdout.data <- portuguese[-Z, ]
# remember we are removing pass_fail and five_level since those are for categorical outcomes
MLR <- lm(G3 ~ . -five_level -pass_fail, data = portuguese.data)</pre>
```

Lets check and see how it is performing:

Call:

lm(formula = G3 ~ . - five_level - pass_fail, data = portuguese.data)

Residuals:

Min 1Q Median 3Q Max -8.7242 -0.5179 0.0268 0.6017 5.5840

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)	
(Intercept)	0.855290	1.028470	0.832	0.40599	
schoolMS	-0.198380	0.139067	-1.427	0.15430	
sexM	-0.078799	0.127798	-0.617	0.53777	
age	0.014339	0.052464	0.273	0.78471	
addressU	0.100995	0.132616	0.762	0.44665	
famsizeLE3	0.035963	0.125261	0.287	0.77414	
PstatusT	-0.078465	0.175285	-0.448	0.65459	
Medu	-0.091427	0.077051	-1.187	0.23591	
Fedu	0.052332	0.069965	0.748	0.45480	
Mjobhealth	0.203385	0.272777	0.746	0.45623	
Mjobother	-0.090058	0.152370	-0.591	0.55474	
Mjobservices	0.199580	0.186130	1.072	0.28408	
Mjobteacher	0.256528	0.256653	1.000	0.31799	
Fjobhealth	-0.471991	0.382160	-1.235	0.21734	
Fjobother	-0.395790	0.230184	-1.719	0.08610	
Fjobservices	-0.493370	0.241728	-2.041	0.04173	*
Fjobteacher	-0.630385	0.344924	-1.828	0.06816	
reasonhome	-0.026885	0.144390	-0.186	0.85236	
reasonother	-0.391026	0.184452	-2.120	0.03447	*
reasonreputation	-0.160786	0.153193	-1.050	0.29439	
guardianmother	-0.024747	0.135231	-0.183	0.85487	
guardianother	0.277101	0.262576	1.055	0.29175	
traveltime	0.134197	0.080182	1.674	0.09478	
studytime	0.057879	0.070567	0.820	0.41247	
failures	-0.252862	0.105493	-2.397	0.01687	*
schoolsupyes	-0.193024	0.188927	-1.022	0.30739	
famsupyes	0.142095	0.115081	1.235	0.21746	
paidyes	-0.245410	0.243216	-1.009	0.31341	
activitiesyes	0.016989	0.114081	0.149	0.88167	
nurseryyes	-0.115520	0.137857	-0.838	0.40242	
higheryes	0.103865	0.196367	0.529	0.59707	
internetyes	0.096685	0.139995	0.691	0.49009	
romanticyes	-0.041976	0.115662	-0.363	0.71681	

```
famrel
                -0.025985
                            0.059759 -0.435 0.66386
                -0.058359
                            0.057168 -1.021 0.30779
freetime
                 0.002776
                            0.054697
                                       0.051 0.95954
goout
Dalc
                            0.078155 -0.696 0.48659
                -0.054413
Walc
                -0.043025
                            0.059950 -0.718 0.47326
                -0.049970
                            0.039761 -1.257 0.20939
health
absences
                 0.015675
                            0.012707
                                       1.234 0.21790
G1
                 0.115862
                            0.040531
                                       2.859 0.00442 **
G2
                 0.890860
                            0.037380 23.833 < 2e-16 ***
               0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
```

Residual standard error: 1.281 on 542 degrees of freedom Multiple R-squared: 0.8594, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8487 F-statistic: 80.79 on 41 and 542 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16

Our model is showing an R squared of .8594, so our model is covering 86% of the variance in G3. This is relatively good. Our p-value indicates a significant model, lets check for MSE.

```
predicted_MLR <- predict(MLR, newdata = portuguese.data)
mean((predicted_MLR - portuguese.data$G3)^2)</pre>
```

[1] 1.522204

```
min(portuguese.data$G3)
```

[1] 0

```
max(portuguese.data$G3)
```

[1] 19

The MSE for this model was ~ 1.52 , which decently accurate. Within range of knowing the difference of a students passing or failing a class. If a student wanted strategic accuracy, a 1.5 difference in score prediction is reliable.

Logistic Regression (LR) - Binary Outcome

Below is our model, followed by assumptions to assure reliability.

Lets check and see how it is performing:

```
summary(LR)
```

```
Call:
```

```
glm(formula = pass_fail ~ . - five_level - G3, family = binomial,
    data = portuguese_pass_fail)
```

Coefficients:

```
Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept)
                -28.48599
                             6.72185 -4.238 2.26e-05 ***
                             0.67467 -2.313 0.02074 *
schoolMS
                 -1.56028
sexM
                  0.06716
                             0.72464 0.093 0.92616
                                     2.510 0.01206 *
age
                  0.64889
                             0.25848
addressU
                 -0.22097
                             0.58161 -0.380 0.70399
famsizeLE3
                  0.06837
                             0.59887
                                      0.114 0.90911
PstatusT
                 -0.63024
                             0.95561 -0.660 0.50956
Medu
                 0.02728
                             0.33673
                                      0.081 0.93543
Fedu
                 -0.14445
                             0.31443 -0.459 0.64596
Mjobhealth
                 -0.70146
                             1.24378 -0.564 0.57277
Mjobother
                             0.71880 0.372 0.70996
                 0.26733
                             0.93481 -0.163 0.87049
Mjobservices
                 -0.15240
Mjobteacher
                            1.34747
                                      0.984 0.32507
                 1.32605
                             2.10584 -1.401 0.16113
Fjobhealth
                 -2.95089
Fjobother
                 -2.20830
                             1.39691 -1.581 0.11391
Fjobservices
                 -2.00833
                             1.45201 -1.383 0.16662
```

```
2.05678 -1.568 0.11695
Fjobteacher
                  -3.22446
reasonhome
                   0.71920
                              0.77132
                                        0.932 0.35111
reasonother
                   0.49300
                                        0.628 0.52996
                              0.78494
                                        1.054 0.29179
reasonreputation
                   0.93148
                              0.88359
guardianmother
                  -0.61906
                              0.70809 -0.874 0.38197
guardianother
                                      -0.408 0.68324
                  -0.50708
                              1.24270
traveltime
                   0.21495
                              0.33175
                                        0.648
                                               0.51703
studytime
                   0.33811
                              0.37525
                                        0.901 0.36757
                              0.32473 -0.621 0.53470
failures
                  -0.20161
schoolsupyes
                  -0.59862
                              0.87093 -0.687
                                               0.49187
famsupyes
                              0.53698
                                        0.518 0.60417
                   0.27838
paidyes
                  -2.00827
                              1.19552 -1.680
                                               0.09299 .
activitiesyes
                                        0.178 0.85851
                   0.09891
                              0.55481
nurseryyes
                   0.04745
                              0.61289
                                        0.077
                                               0.93830
higheryes
                   0.77565
                              0.63133
                                        1.229
                                               0.21922
internetyes
                              0.69190 -0.329 0.74250
                  -0.22732
romanticyes
                  -0.93117
                              0.62297
                                       -1.495
                                               0.13498
famrel
                              0.26828 -0.449
                  -0.12037
                                              0.65367
                                        0.608
freetime
                   0.17358
                              0.28528
                                              0.54290
goout
                  -0.19376
                              0.26430 -0.733 0.46350
Dalc
                  -0.06010
                              0.33136 -0.181
                                               0.85607
Walc
                  -0.25481
                              0.31150
                                      -0.818 0.41334
health
                  -0.20705
                              0.21748 -0.952 0.34108
absences
                              0.05849 -0.360
                  -0.02104
                                               0.71902
G1
                   0.58453
                              0.20127
                                        2.904 0.00368 **
G2
                              0.33793
                                        5.822 5.83e-09 ***
                   1.96731
```

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)

Null deviance: 512.07 on 583 degrees of freedom Residual deviance: 132.68 on 542 degrees of freedom

AIC: 216.68

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 9

Our model is showing an residual deviance of 132.68, so our model is covering a large portion of the variance in pass_fail. This is good. Our AIC indicates a good fit.

Partial Least Squares - Continuous 1-20

```
portuguese_clean <- portuguese.data[, sapply(portuguese.data,</pre>
                                   function(x) length(unique(x)) > 1)
portuguese lmF <- lm(G3 ~ . -five_level -pass_fail, data=portuguese_clean)
# matrix
portuguese.X <- model.matrix(portuguese_lmF)[, -1]</pre>
portuguese.pc <- prcomp(portuguese.X, scale=TRUE)</pre>
portuguese.pc
Standard deviations (1, .., p=41):
 [1] 1.9904215 1.6516559 1.4580622 1.3257497 1.2897365 1.2760604 1.2257861
 [8] 1.2076134 1.1911258 1.1464375 1.1080315 1.0977158 1.0764820 1.0578778
[15] 1.0162242 0.9974934 0.9821374 0.9755742 0.9548132 0.9478011 0.9111607
[22] 0.8925025 0.8783452 0.8706772 0.8468835 0.8228370 0.8211177 0.8036545
[29] 0.7872233 0.7788580 0.7450424 0.7237955 0.7019859 0.6782485 0.6552300
[36] 0.6291229 0.6012758 0.5161651 0.4126374 0.3535286 0.3148589
Rotation (n \times k) = (41 \times 41):
                              PC2
                                         PC3
                                                   PC4
                    PC1
              0.238332361 -0.045717355 0.3183701378 -0.09074875
schoolMS
sexM
              age
              0.25709254
addressU
             famsizeLE3
             PstatusT
             Medu
             Fedu
             -0.284190800 0.254935641 -0.0077174660 0.08804299
             Mjobhealth
Mjobother
              0.124397459 -0.232071619 -0.2242646601 -0.15840059
             -0.072314236  0.166459592  0.0949772417  0.16488306
Mjobservices
Mjobteacher
             -0.110762210 0.076040574 0.0858136467 0.07658911
Fjobhealth
Fjobother
              0.106537877 - 0.219841211 - 0.4222627956 - 0.25858442
             Fjobservices
Fjobteacher
             -0.151680172  0.110460936  0.0549570943  0.07072669
reasonhome
             -0.035187197 -0.006752480 -0.2263152685 0.05749473
reasonother
              0.061927170 0.076482741 0.2747922768 -0.07704455
```

```
reasonreputation -0.127554055 -0.064406327 -0.0684933022 -0.01573658
             -0.054764453 -0.007324826 0.0542257877 -0.22446865
guardianmother
guardianother
              0.35293619
traveltime
              0.211584589 -0.056228845 0.1090033675 -0.14464093
             -0.162131203 -0.166174291 -0.0070558944 0.14855220
studytime
              0.253111985  0.103928261  -0.0644626275
                                             0.24844256
failures
schoolsupyes
             -0.022813814 -0.062575911 0.0183487883
                                             0.07349698
famsupyes
             0.19660940
             paidyes
                                             0.01292467
activitiesyes
             -0.071052962 0.123115084 -0.0191586210 -0.12319230
             nurseryyes
             -0.256325404 -0.098766105 0.0499528302 -0.12781430
higheryes
internetyes
             0.02703176
                        0.013078419 -0.0457762883
romanticyes
              0.066075421
                                              0.19597194
famrel
             -0.042099741
                        freetime
goout
              0.074196129
                        0.224198967 -0.1495421635 -0.19697434
              0.144928329
                        0.351376485 -0.1062132057 -0.09762165
Dalc
Walc
              0.110438135 0.365294173 -0.1233987536 -0.24046932
              health
              absences
G1
             -0.347000243 -0.161839925 -0.0903382220 -0.12080272
G2.
             -0.344205793 -0.165592118 -0.0952874667 -0.10604449
                     PC5
                                PC6
                                          PC7
                                                      PC8
schoolMS
              0.0434832732 -0.1572160933 0.157727330 -0.0228931210
sexM
              0.0127724877
                         0.0881504520 0.058387185 0.1246938774
             -0.1169573738 -0.1563818013 0.156755519 -0.2034036167
age
addressU
              famsizeLE3
                                    0.268493525 -0.2689112874
              0.0037332413 0.1173822415
PstatusT
             -0.1928660753 -0.0446170288 -0.143094960 0.2758470010
Medu
              0.1735739127 -0.1843774324
                                    0.053466043 -0.0159999565
Fedu
              0.1668635893 -0.1608873316
                                    0.040100814 0.1185553256
Mjobhealth
              0.0003943139 - 0.2247593117 - 0.036151096 0.1770522895
             -0.0417227180 0.0263872824
                                    0.088109687 0.2547434874
Mjobother
             Mjobservices
Mjobteacher
              0.2468313476 -0.1639891096
                                    0.244769813 -0.1370094931
Fjobhealth
              0.0410517126 - 0.2060872435 - 0.094929000 0.1896159759
Fjobother
              0.1513503359 -0.1267566026 -0.123526916 -0.0617048885
Fjobservices
             -0.3317629844 0.2882996775 0.105202758 -0.0107504882
Fjobteacher
              0.2651891418 - 0.1325919871 \ 0.141236904 \ 0.0522531509
reasonhome
              0.0825232793 - 0.0412260686 \ 0.142797811 \ 0.0965757520
reasonother
reasonreputation -0.3177690647 -0.2455628177 -0.125227563 -0.1946428631
```

```
guardianmother
               guardianother
              -0.1380372992 -0.1852148177 0.164645996 0.1770234958
traveltime
              -0.0831644302 -0.1429169491
                                     0.102782466 -0.0007841249
studytime
              -0.2340909301 -0.1062351529 -0.039776645 -0.0345608508
               0.0570216569 -0.1312914267 -0.159800633 -0.0588426920
failures
schoolsupyes
               0.0877516001 0.1048172514 -0.351527696 0.1974564684
famsupyes
              -0.0368872513 -0.1045855765 -0.215918835
                                                0.1101158887
paidyes
               0.1021907508  0.0288565122  -0.197297459
                                                0.0921359756
              -0.1971161256 -0.1571829410 -0.191589429 -0.1442571383
activitiesyes
nurseryyes
               0.0859829527 - 0.1024278269 - 0.016324415 - 0.2565746340
              higheryes
              -0.1397226642  0.0005017029  -0.066796569  -0.0112472902
internetyes
              -0.0290742792 -0.1626430575 0.161426952 -0.0909752610
romanticyes
              -0.1373877238 -0.0760711195 -0.191731067 0.0087313282
famrel
freetime
              -0.0863688490 -0.1795123055 -0.179263658 -0.0524606107
              -0.2099060529 -0.1076380223 -0.096096671 -0.0722147118
goout
Dalc
              -0.1443431760 0.0986891162 0.187530109 0.1212025684
Walc
              -0.1588093697  0.1265880114  0.124881073  0.0475702340
health
               0.1290499392 -0.0451917131 -0.140857411 0.1318333944
absences
               0.0122790029 0.1347240744 0.008119456 -0.1597010340
G1
              -0.2193959140 0.0271810566 0.218125222 0.0143166369
G2
              PC9
                               PC10
                                           PC11
schoolMS
              -0.040247584 0.033016439 0.0075791699 -0.181417483
sexM
              -0.011357984
                         0.072169332 0.3392913555 0.159642179
                                    0.0008270894 -0.089209438
               0.107067180
                         0.189995153
age
              -0.161489290 0.239573263 -0.1024957951 0.192961103
addressU
famsizeLE3
              PstatusT
               0.313049064 0.196517353 -0.1432174254 -0.008106820
Medu
               Fedu
               0.021442260 -0.117144149 0.0083311291 -0.003480586
Mjobhealth
              Mjobother
               0.058163720 0.047754618 -0.0839761096
                                                0.165186721
Mjobservices
               0.274433698 -0.011555179
Mjobteacher
                                    0.0671266626
                                                0.016374067
Fjobhealth
              -0.467514031 -0.014998538 -0.0556403998
                                                0.023563405
              -0.024861059 -0.025461094 0.0279365842 -0.142796751
Fjobother
Fjobservices
               0.078865071 0.160133790 0.0368935566
                                                0.025591535
Fjobteacher
               0.308817079 -0.245341048 -0.0629383056
                                                0.243652331
reasonhome
               0.082792055 0.144781151 -0.0204088771 -0.273059012
reasonother
              0.031389809
reasonreputation -0.128070162 -0.199640347 0.0613294099
                                                0.277092719
guardianmother
```

```
0.050192059 -0.044658750 0.2366609166 -0.053537060
guardianother
traveltime
              0.086212553 -0.310310877
                                   0.0838545764 -0.187463004
studytime
              0.038793248 -0.123093053 -0.0585546712 -0.162494110
failures
              0.020800641 -0.340181839 -0.0336825053 0.191218400
schoolsupyes
              0.007390010 -0.223278055 -0.0952062563 -0.393979553
famsupyes
paidyes
              activitiesyes
              0.191361481
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Mjobservices
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Fjobteacher
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guardianother
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studytime
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failures
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schoolsupyes
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famsupyes
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paidyes
activitiesyes
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higheryes
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goout
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Dalc
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Walc
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health
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                 2.262110e-02
absences
G1
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G2
                 6.125814e-02
```

library(pls)

Attaching package: 'pls'

The following object is masked from 'package:stats':

loadings

```
PLS <- plsr(G3 ~ ., data = portuguese.data, scale = TRUE, validation = "CV") summary(PLS)
```

Data: X dimension: 584 46

Y dimension: 584 1 Fit method: kernelpls

Number of components considered: 46

VALIDATION: RMSEP

Cross-validated using 10 random segments.

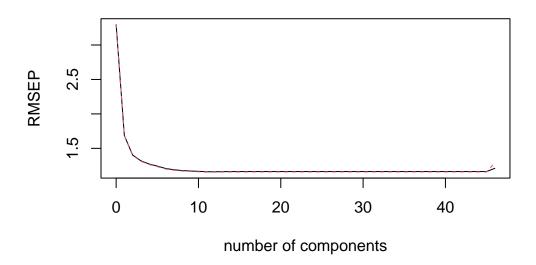
	(Intercept)	1 comps	2 comps	3 comps	4 comps §	comps 6	comps
CV	3.296	1.683	1.404	1.320	1.273	1.242	1.208
${\tt adjCV}$	3.296	1.681	1.398	1.313	1.266	1.234	1.201
	7 comps 8 c	comps 9	comps 10	comps 11	comps 12	comps 13	comps
CV	1.189 1	. 178	1.171	1.167	1.160	1.160	1.162
${\tt adjCV}$	1.182 1	.171	1.165	1.161	1.154	1.154	1.156
	14 comps 15	comps	16 comps	17 comps	18 comps	19 comps	20 comps
CV	1.163	1.163	1.163	1.163	1.163	1.163	1.163

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adjCV
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adjCV
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CV
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CV
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adjCV
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TRAINING: % variance explained
              2 comps
                        3 comps
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Х
      10.40
                14.84
                          18.88
                                    22.15
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                                                                  29.82
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GЗ
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                84.21
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Х
      34.92
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G3
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Х
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G3
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GЗ
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               45 comps
    44 comps
                          46 comps
Х
       98.26
                 100.00
                            100.02
GЗ
       89.87
                  89.87
                             87.18
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Lets plot it:

validationplot(PLS)





It seems at 13 components the models variance for G3 doesn't get any higher. We prefer a model that's more simple, and given the additional components does not add predictive gain, we will stick with 13.

Let's put it to the test.

```
predicted_pls <- predict(PLS, newdata = portuguese.data, ncomp = 13)
# MSE
mean((predicted_pls - portuguese.data$G3)^2)</pre>
```

[1] 1.096997

A smaller MSE than our dummy model, this model is showing excellent prediction ability. An MSE of 1 is not likely to show any significant difference with grade predictability.

Model 2:

Recall we are only creating models to predict outcomes of portuguese and will not use G1 or G2 as predictors due to the clear prediction power of the variable and the colinearity. We will also be replicating the paper by using 20 runs of 10-fold cross-validation.

```
#library(rminer)
#portuguese2$pass_fail<-as.factor(portuguese2$pass_fail)

#K<-c("kfold", 10)
#DT<-mining(pass_fail~.-G1-G2-G3-five_level , data=portuguese2, model="dt", Runs=20, method="#print(mean(DT$error))
#savemining(DT,"DT-results")</pre>
```

This below was just trying to make more of them categorical, it doesn't seem to make a good difference in the outcome though so probably delete later.

```
#portuguese3 <- portuguese2 %>%
# mutate(across(c(pass_fail, romantic, internet, higher, nursery, activities, paid, famsup,
#rpart(pass_fail~.-G1-G2-G3-five_level , data=portuguese2, model="rpart")
```