Preventing Opioid Abuse

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Problem Statement

Is it possible to build a machine learning model that helps us identify which patients are likely to abuse prescription pain medications using a patient's drug usage history?

Can this information be used to help reduce the chances of patients becoming addicted while simultaneously helping patients at lower risk not see a lapse in their medication?





O2 Why is this Important?

- Many addictions start with prescription opioids.
- Due to the high cost and difficulty of obtaining prescription pain medication, many people turn to cheaper, stronger opioids.
- Fentanyl is one such opioid, that has killed more young Americans (18-45) than Covid-19 in 2021-2022.
 - In America, fentanyl fatally poisons someone every 8.57 minutes, for 175 deaths per day.

Objective



Our project aims to develop a machine learning model to predict the likelihood of a patient abusing pain medications. This information would allow doctors to:

- Make decisions on what types of pain meds to give, and how much at a time
- Prevent cases of addiction and/or relapse
- Intervene early, create treatment plans and overall improve quality of care for all patients

O4 Ethical Considerations

Outright denying narcotic pain medications based on potential abuse is wrong and not our model's goal. Instead, we aim to aid doctors in making informed decisions on pain medication types and dosages, providing these benefits:



- Low risk patients could receive more medication at once so they don't see a lapse
- Moderate risk patients could be given less medication upfront and be offered additional support/monitoring
- Severe risk patients could be offered non-narcotic alternatives



EDA - Corey

Missing/Mislabeled Data

Dropped columns with incorrect values

Checked Correlations

Explored which features were worth using in our model

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Imbalanced Classes

Used oversampling of minority class to fix imbalance

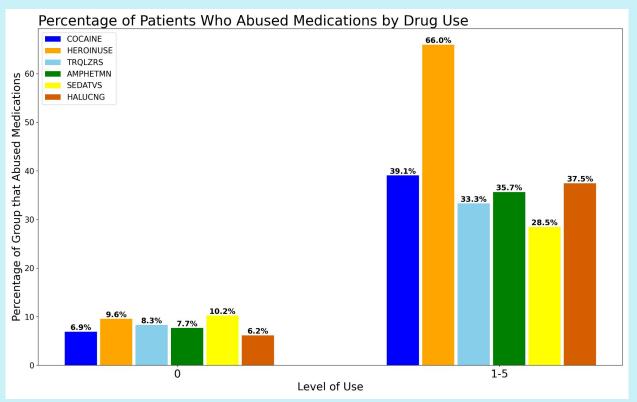
Interaction Terms

Created new columns such as Uppers, Downers, Overall Health



What role does recreational drug use play?





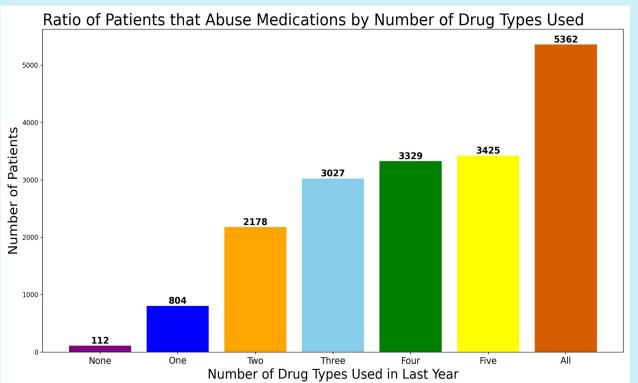
This graph shows the percentage of patients who abused pain medications and their drug use in the past year.

66% of patients with reported heroin use in the last year also abused pain medications.









This graph
represents all our
patients who
abused pain
medications,
grouped by how
many drug types
they've abused
in the last year.

Models - Corey

Tried a variety of models, including



- Random Forest Variations (0.888, Best)
- Logistic Regression (0.749)
- Neural Nets (0.758)
- SVM (N/A)
- Voting Classifier Variations w/ Gradient Boost, Extreme Gradient Boost, Random Forest, etc. (0.847)







Best Model



- Include interaction terms
- Included features with missing values
- Standard Scaled
- GridSearchCV for best params
- PCA





| <u>Score: 0.888</u> | Predicted No Abuse | Predicted Abuse |
|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Actual No Abuse | 35093 | 3006 |
| Actual Abuse | 5486 | 32455 |





Missing/Mislabeled Data

Dropped columns that had incorrect values

Checked Correlations

Explored potential variables to focus on

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Imbalanced Classes

Used SMOTE to fix imbalance

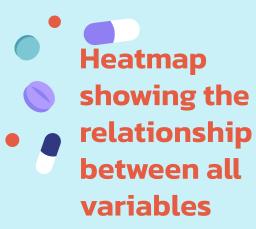
Feature Engineering

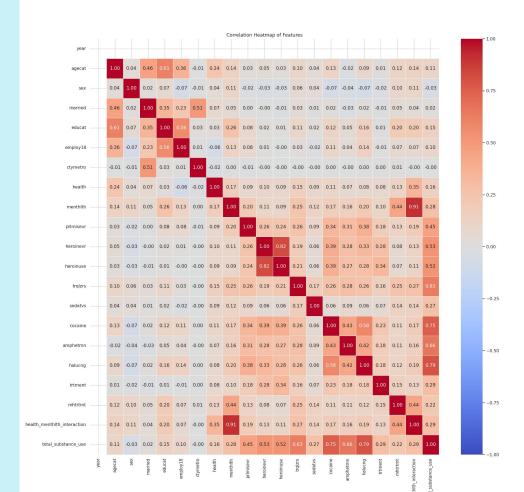
Creating new features to improve performance

Principal Component

Analysis

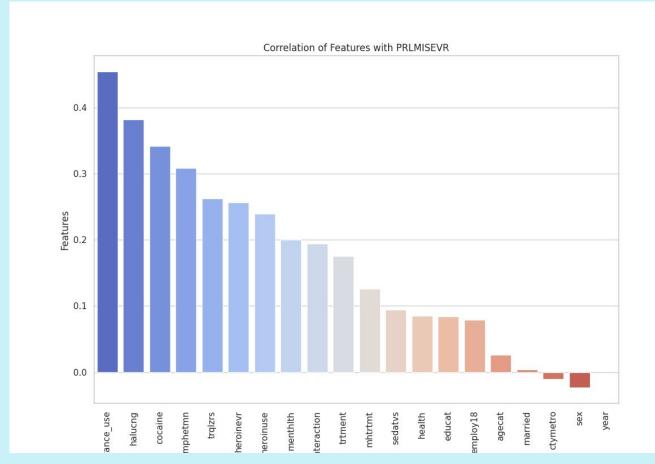
Fit a PCA model to understand what variables were significant



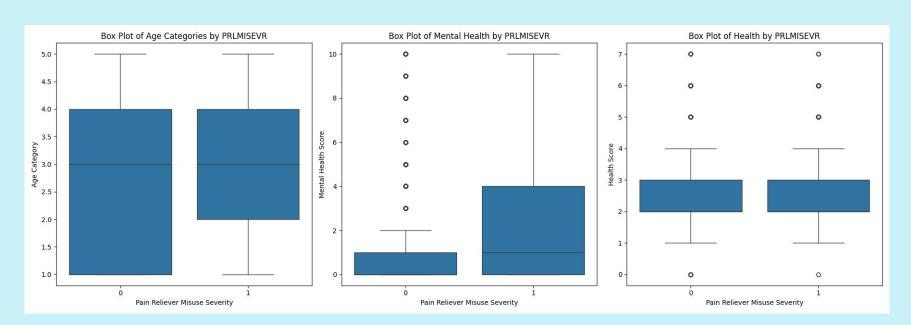








Distribution of age categories, health, and mental health scores for different levels of drug misuse severity ('prlmisevr').





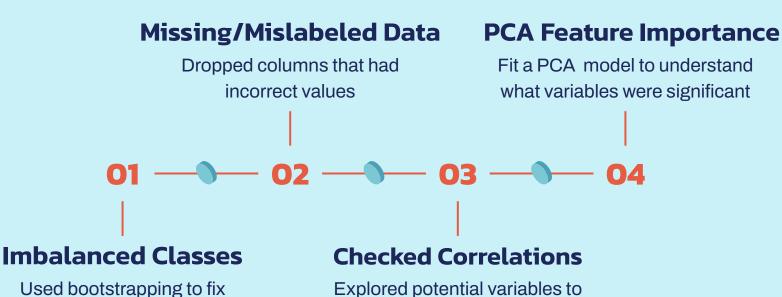
- LogisticRegression(max_iter=1000) (0.908)
- RandomForestClassifier() (0.902)
- KNeighborsClassifier() (0.894)
- SVM (0.902)
- Neural Nets (0.903)

Best Model



- max_iter=1000
- PCA (n_components=5)
- Precision: 92%
- Recall: 89%
- F-1 Score = 90.5%

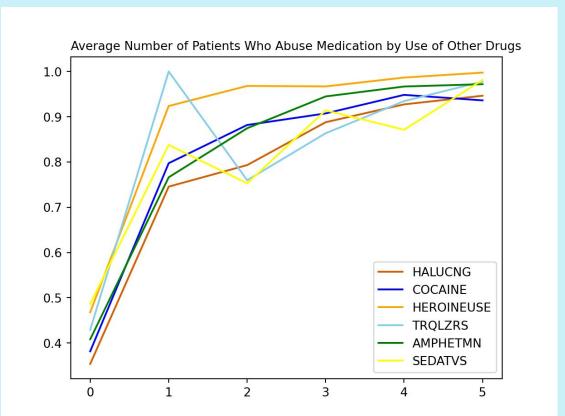
EDA - Sarah



focus on

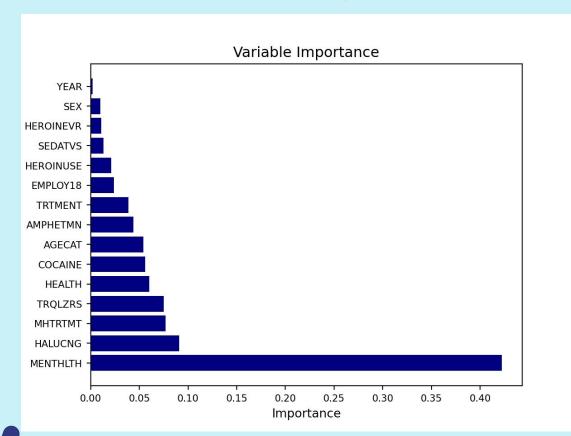
imbalance





This graph shows a general upward trend indicating as amount of drug use increases, the likelihood of becoming addicted to drugs also increases

PCA Feature Importance



Mental Health is shown to have the highest feature importance

Models - Sarah

Tried a variety of models, including



- With/Without PCA
- Neural Nets (0.753)
- Logistic Regression (0.742)
 - With/Without PCA
- Naive Bayes (0.738)







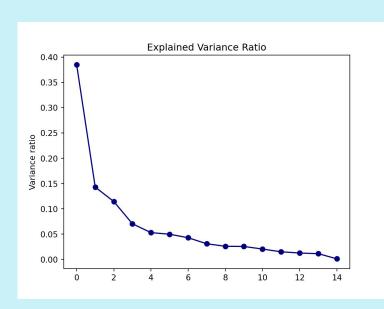


Best Model

Random Forest w/ PCA

- N_estimators=600
- Max_features=9
- Max_depth=30
- PCA (n_components=5)





Limitations/Next Steps

- Hard to fully understand patterns based solely on self reported data
- Understanding the risk of False Negatives
- Data set, while large, had some incorrect values



- Collecting self-reported pain level to better understand 'need'
- Continually updating and re-fitting to new data



Conclusion



Enhancing Patient Safety

Personalized Pain Management

Reducing Addiction Risk



Improving Healthcare Efficiency

Evidence-Based Decision Making

Opioid Crisis





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