

# DATA621 Homework3 - Crime Ratings

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## Introduction

- This assignment looks at crime information on various neighborhood for a major city. There are several variables and the goal is to come up with a binary logistic regression model that can predict whether a particular neighborhood will be at risk for high crime levels. I will examine a few models and use the best criteria based on statistics such as ROC curves/AUC (Area under the curve) values and confusion matrices for each model. The model with the best performance and accuracy will be considered. Finally, the model will be evaluated using the training data and then I will make predictions based using the evaluation data set.

## Data Preparation

- Let's first load the dataset and examine the structure and summary of the dataset
- Summary:

```
##          zn          indus          chas          nox
## Min.      : 0.00    Min.      : 0.460    Min.      :0.00000    Min.      :0.3890
## 1st Qu.: 0.00    1st Qu.: 5.145    1st Qu.:0.00000    1st Qu.:0.4480
## Median : 0.00    Median : 9.690    Median :0.00000    Median :0.5380
## Mean   : 11.58    Mean   :11.105    Mean   :0.07082    Mean   :0.5543
## 3rd Qu.: 16.25    3rd Qu.:18.100    3rd Qu.:0.00000    3rd Qu.:0.6240
## Max.    :100.00    Max.    :27.740    Max.    :1.00000    Max.    :0.8710
##          rm          age          dis          rad
## Min.      :3.863    Min.      : 2.90    Min.      : 1.130    Min.      : 1.00
## 1st Qu.:5.887    1st Qu.: 43.88    1st Qu.: 2.101    1st Qu.: 4.00
## Median :6.210    Median : 77.15    Median : 3.191    Median : 5.00
## Mean   :6.291    Mean   : 68.37    Mean   : 3.796    Mean   : 9.53
## 3rd Qu.:6.630    3rd Qu.: 94.10    3rd Qu.: 5.215    3rd Qu.:24.00
## Max.    :8.780    Max.    :100.00    Max.    :12.127    Max.    :24.00
##          tax          ptratio          black          lstat
## Min.      :187.0    Min.      :12.6    Min.      : 0.32    Min.      : 1.730
## 1st Qu.:281.0    1st Qu.:16.9    1st Qu.:375.61    1st Qu.: 7.043
## Median :334.5    Median :18.9    Median :391.34    Median :11.350
## Mean   :409.5    Mean   :18.4    Mean   :357.12    Mean   :12.631
## 3rd Qu.:666.0    3rd Qu.:20.2    3rd Qu.:396.24    3rd Qu.:16.930
## Max.    :711.0    Max.    :22.0    Max.    :396.90    Max.    :37.970
##          medv          target
## Min.      : 5.00    Min.      :0.0000
## 1st Qu.:17.02    1st Qu.:0.0000
## Median :21.20    Median :0.0000
## Mean   :22.59    Mean   :0.4914
```

```
## 3rd Qu.:25.00 3rd Qu.:1.0000
## Max. :50.00 Max. :1.0000
```

- Structure (number of rows and columns, variable type such as int, factor etc):

```
## 'data.frame': 466 obs. of 14 variables:
## $ zn : num 0 0 0 30 0 0 0 0 0 80 ...
## $ indus : num 19.58 19.58 18.1 4.93 2.46 ...
## $ chas : int 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
## $ nox : num 0.605 0.871 0.74 0.428 0.488 0.52 0.693 0.693 0.515 0.392 ...
## $ rm : num 7.93 5.4 6.49 6.39 7.16 ...
## $ age : num 96.2 100 100 7.8 92.2 71.3 100 100 38.1 19.1 ...
## $ dis : num 2.05 1.32 1.98 7.04 2.7 ...
## $ rad : int 5 5 24 6 3 5 24 24 5 1 ...
## $ tax : int 403 403 666 300 193 384 666 666 224 315 ...
## $ ptratio: num 14.7 14.7 20.2 16.6 17.8 20.9 20.2 20.2 20.2 16.4 ...
## $ black : num 369 397 387 375 394 ...
## $ lstat : num 3.7 26.82 18.85 5.19 4.82 ...
## $ medv : num 50 13.4 15.4 23.7 37.9 26.5 5 7 22.2 20.9 ...
## $ target : int 1 1 1 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 ...
```

- Transform tax and rad variables numeric instead of integer for computation such as computing correlation between attributes. Later, we will change the target and chas attributes to be factors instead of integers so they can be labeled properly.

- The summary of the dataset shows that there are no missing values and besides the response variable target and the explanatory variable chas, all others are of the numeric type.

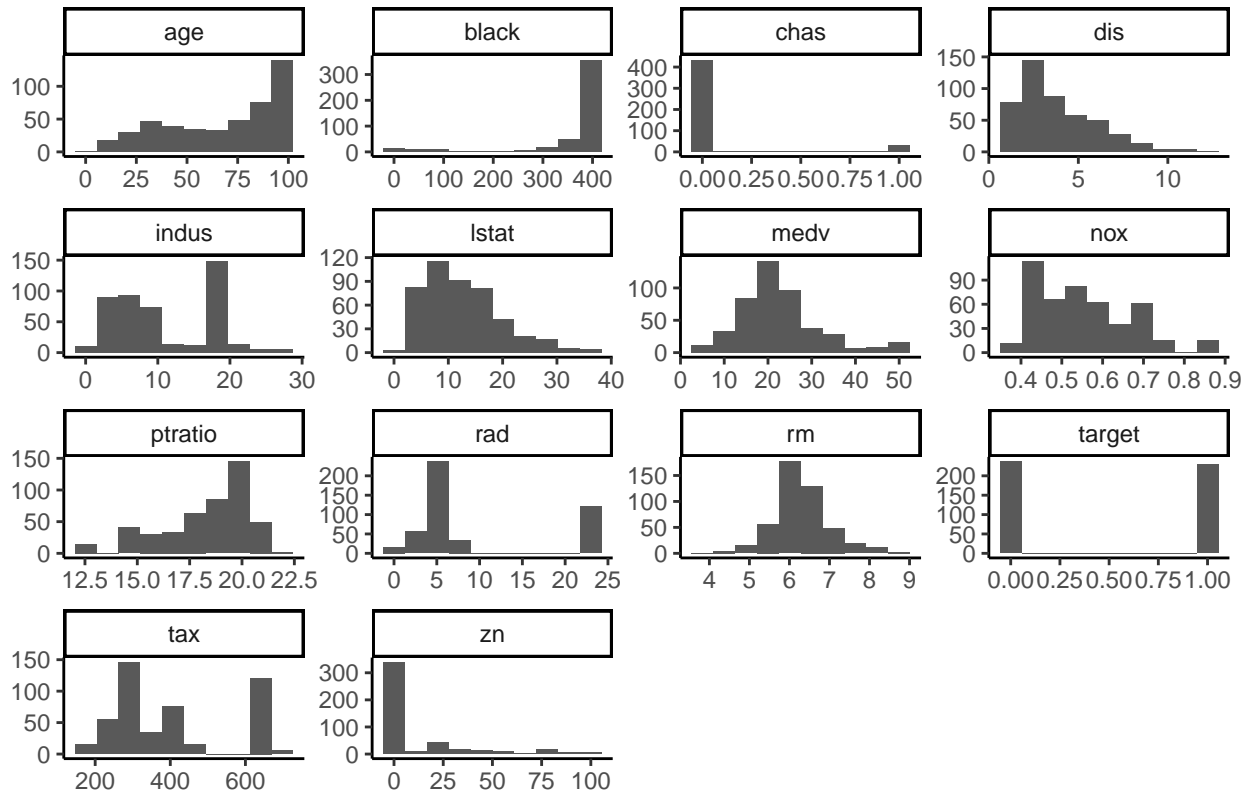
## Data Exploration

- Let us make some plots like histograms and see how each variable behaves. Also, I will plot some of the variables for each crime rate below and above the median crime rate.

- Histograms of each variable

```
## Loading required package: dplyr
##
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
## filter, lag
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
## intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
## Loading required package: ggplot2
## Loading required package: tidyr
```

## Histogram of All Attributes



- There appears to be several outliers in most of the variables but we will keep them for now and use them in our models.

- Also let us see how well our data is correlated along with one another. I will

create a correlation table to see the correlation coefficients against each pair

of attributes. This will be useful for one of the models to be built later on.

##		zn	indus	nox	rm	age	dis
##	zn	1.0000000	-0.5382664	-0.5170452	0.3198141	-0.5725805	0.6601243
##	indus	-0.5382664	1.0000000	0.7596301	-0.3927118	0.6395818	-0.7036189
##	nox	-0.5170452	0.7596301	1.0000000	-0.2954897	0.7351278	-0.7688840
##	rm	0.3198141	-0.3927118	-0.2954897	1.0000000	-0.2328125	0.1990158
##	age	-0.5725805	0.6395818	0.7351278	-0.2328125	1.0000000	-0.7508976
##	dis	0.6601243	-0.7036189	-0.7688840	0.1990158	-0.7508976	1.0000000
##	rad	-0.3154812	0.6006284	0.5958298	-0.2084457	0.4603143	-0.4949919
##	tax	-0.3192841	0.7322292	0.6538780	-0.2969343	0.5121245	-0.5342546
##	ptratio	-0.3910357	0.3946898	0.1762687	-0.3603471	0.2554479	-0.2333394
##	black	0.1794150	-0.3581356	-0.3801549	0.1326676	-0.2734677	0.2938441
##	lstat	-0.4329925	0.6071102	0.5962426	-0.6320245	0.6056200	-0.5075280
##	medv	0.3767171	-0.4961743	-0.4301227	0.7053368	-0.3781560	0.2566948
##		rad	tax	ptratio	black	lstat	medv
##	zn	-0.3154812	-0.3192841	-0.3910357	0.1794150	-0.4329925	0.3767171
##	indus	0.6006284	0.7322292	0.3946898	-0.3581356	0.6071102	-0.4961743
##	nox	0.5958298	0.6538780	0.1762687	-0.3801549	0.5962426	-0.4301227
##	rm	-0.2084457	-0.2969343	-0.3603471	0.1326676	-0.6320245	0.7053368
##	age	0.4603143	0.5121245	0.2554479	-0.2734677	0.6056200	-0.3781560
##	dis	-0.4949919	-0.5342546	-0.2333394	0.2938441	-0.5075280	0.2566948

```
## rad      1.0000000  0.9064632  0.4714516 -0.4463750  0.5031013 -0.3976683
## tax      0.9064632  1.0000000  0.4744223 -0.4425059  0.5641886 -0.4900329
## ptratio  0.4714516  0.4744223  1.0000000 -0.1816395  0.3773560 -0.5159153
## black    -0.4463750 -0.4425059 -0.1816395  1.0000000 -0.3533659  0.3300286
## lstat     0.5031013  0.5641886  0.3773560 -0.3533659  1.0000000 -0.7358008
## medv     -0.3976683 -0.4900329 -0.5159153  0.3300286 -0.7358008  1.0000000
```

## Build Models

- I will use the training data to build at least 3 different binary logistic regression models using different models and techniques.

- Let's first with the trivial easiest model; include all variables to predict if a city will be above or below the crime rate. No variable elimination is done.

### Model 1

```
##
## Call:
## glm(formula = target ~ zn + indus + chas + nox + rm + age + dis +
##      rad + tax + ptratio + black + lstat + medv, family = "binomial",
##      data = crime)
##
## Deviance Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -2.2854  -0.1372  -0.0017   0.0020   3.4721
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept) -36.839521   7.028726  -5.241 1.59e-07 ***
## zn           -0.061720   0.034410  -1.794 0.072868 .
## indus        -0.072580   0.048546  -1.495 0.134894
## chas1         1.032352   0.759627   1.359 0.174139
## nox           50.159513   8.049503   6.231 4.62e-10 ***
## rm           -0.692145   0.741431  -0.934 0.350548
## age           0.034522   0.013883   2.487 0.012895 *
## dis           0.765795   0.234407   3.267 0.001087 **
## rad           0.663015   0.165135   4.015 5.94e-05 ***
## tax          -0.006593   0.003064  -2.152 0.031422 *
## ptratio       0.442217   0.132234   3.344 0.000825 ***
## black        -0.013094   0.006680  -1.960 0.049974 *
## lstat         0.047571   0.054508   0.873 0.382802
## medv          0.199734   0.071022   2.812 0.004919 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## (Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
##
##      Null deviance: 645.88  on 465  degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 186.15  on 452  degrees of freedom
## AIC: 214.15
##
```

```
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 9
```

## Model 2

• The second model is done using backward elimination; from the above this eliminates the following variables due to having high p-values. The variables selected are the ones that have low p-values below 0.05 are significant.

- indus
- chas
- rm
- lstat

```
##
## Call:
## glm(formula = target ~ nox + age + dis + rad + tax + ptratio +
##      medv, family = "binomial", data = crime)
##
## Deviance Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -2.01059  -0.19744  -0.01371   0.00402   3.06424
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept) -36.824228   5.858405  -6.286 3.26e-10 ***
## nox          42.338378   6.639207   6.377 1.81e-10 ***
## age           0.031882   0.010693   2.982 0.002867 **
## dis           0.429555   0.171849   2.500 0.012433 *
## rad           0.701767   0.139426   5.033 4.82e-07 ***
## tax          -0.008237   0.002534  -3.250 0.001153 **
## ptratio       0.376575   0.108912   3.458 0.000545 ***
## medv          0.093653   0.033556   2.791 0.005255 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## (Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
##
##      Null deviance: 645.88  on 465  degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 203.45  on 458  degrees of freedom
## AIC: 219.45
##
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 9
```

## Model 3

• The third model is to use the idea of correlation to filter out variables with high correlation using a cutoff point of 0.75. By using this, we can see if we can get a binary classification model that can have high accuracy of calculating if a particular neighborhood will be targeted for a high crime rate or not. Variables that

are highly correlated

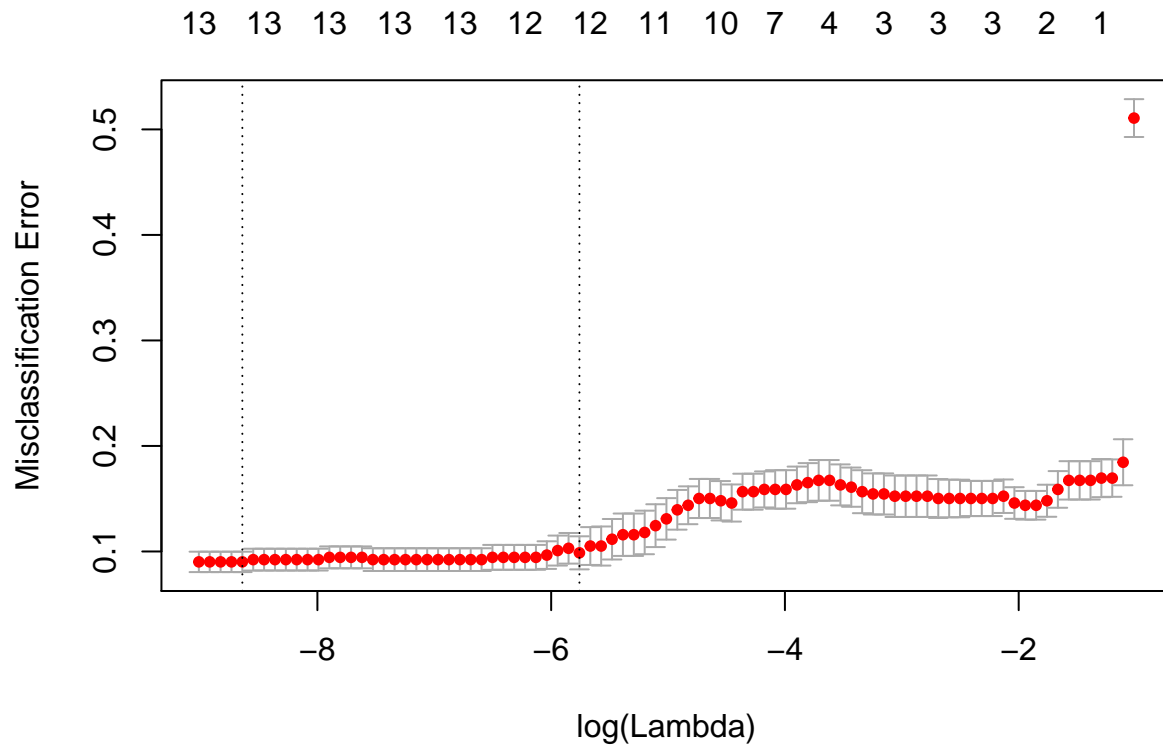
```
## Loading required package: caret
## Loading required package: lattice
## [1] "Variables to be used:"
## [1] "zn"      "nox"      "age"      "dis"      "tax"      "ptratio" "black"
## [8] "lstat"    "medv"     "target"

##
## Call:
## glm(formula = target ~ zn + nox + age + dis + tax + ptratio +
##      black + lstat + medv, family = "binomial", data = crime_subset)
##
## Deviance Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -2.26039  -0.31877  -0.01099   0.22687   3.08518
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept) -29.745688   5.154374  -5.771 7.88e-09 ***
## zn           -0.068459   0.029039  -2.357  0.0184 *
## nox          36.897169   5.473339   6.741 1.57e-11 ***
## age           0.021283   0.009663   2.203  0.0276 *
## dis           0.776376   0.190603   4.073 4.64e-05 ***
## tax           0.002733   0.001515   1.804  0.0713 .
## ptratio      0.228694   0.101724   2.248  0.0246 *
## black       -0.011202   0.005160  -2.171  0.0299 *
## lstat        0.050236   0.042441   1.184  0.2365
## medv        0.177577   0.036889   4.814 1.48e-06 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## (Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
##
##      Null deviance: 645.88  on 465  degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 240.50  on 456  degrees of freedom
## AIC: 260.5
##
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 8
```

## Model 4

- We will use the glmnet package to do feature selection on the crime dataset and retrieve the variables most relevant to predict the response variable target. I'm also using the concept of LASSO regularization that finds good regularization coefficient to prevent overfitting and puts a constraint on the sum of the feature values. Adding an extra term in the logistic regression (or linear regression) is common and usually involves adding a coefficient  $\lambda$  the higher the  $\lambda$  value is, the more bias but less overfitting.

```
## Loading required package: glmnet
## Loading required package: Matrix
##
## Attaching package: 'Matrix'
## The following object is masked from 'package:tidyr':
##
##     expand
## Loading required package: foreach
## Loaded glmnet 2.0-16
```



```
##           s0
## -25.35204

##           zn           indus           chas           nox           rm
## -0.028211488 -0.049269882  0.843264685  32.984904774  0.000000000
##           age           dis           rad           tax           ptratio
##  0.019369868  0.338561225  0.353187890 -0.003190429  0.232242728
##           black          lstat          medv
## -0.007501370  0.021490523  0.085996066

## [1] -871.6335
```

### Summary of the built models

- Starting with Model 1 that is to include all variables based on the coefficients is showing that the variable nox (nitrogen oxide concentration) has the most influence out of the other variables and says that for

every concentration, all constants held constant, the probability will greatly increase and will be more likely for that town to have a high crime level.

- The second model which uses backward elimination has coefficients that have good significant p-values and has a higher AIC value. Like the first model, the coefficient for nox is high and seems to be the main variable that holds the most weight when computing the probability of a city having a high crime level. The only coefficient that is negative is the tax variable which means for all other variables held constant and for every 1% increase in tax rate, the probability of that city being a high crime level city decreases by a factor of 0.0082.

- The third model uses correlation matrices and the correlation threshold of 0.75 and uses the 2nd least variables. The AIC value is higher than the first two models. Coefficients are similar and took less time to converge to a solution (see the Fisher Scoring iterations in the summary of model 3).

- Model 4 the final model uses the concept of LASSO (Least absolute shrinkage and selection operator) to select variables and prevent the model from overfitting the data using the concept of regularization to penalize variables that would overfit the data. Variable coefficients are the similar but the rm (average number of rooms per dwelling) is 0 and is the only variable not included in the model. The AIC is low as well which makes it a good candidate as well for picking a good model.

## Selecting Model

- After looking at each model, I decided to go with the one with the lowest AIC model as that rubric is used for doing feature selection and an appropriate model. I have selected model 4 (model using LASSO and regularization) as the model of choice. The reason for this is the low AIC value it has (running it shows it is negative) while the other models are positive AIC values. Also using the glmnet function with regularization is good as it helps the model to prevent overfitting.

- Confusion Matrix along with accuracy, specificity, sensitivity

```
## Confusion Matrix and Statistics
##
##           Reference
## Prediction    0    1
##           0 227  25
##           1  10 204
##
##           Accuracy : 0.9249
##           95% CI : (0.8971, 0.9471)
##           No Information Rate : 0.5086
```



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##      P-Value [Acc > NIR] : < 2e-16
##
##              Kappa : 0.8496
## Mcnemar's Test P-Value : 0.01796
##
##      Sensitivity : 0.8908
##      Specificity : 0.9578
##      Pos Pred Value : 0.9533
##      Neg Pred Value : 0.9008
##      Prevalence : 0.4914
##      Detection Rate : 0.4378
##      Detection Prevalence : 0.4592
##      Balanced Accuracy : 0.9243
##
##      'Positive' Class : 1
##
  • F1 Score:
## [1] 0.9631327
  • Classification error rate
## Classification error rate
##      0.0751073
  • Precision
## [1] 0.9007937
  • Predict using the evaluation dataset
## Loading required package: pROC
## Type 'citation("pROC")' for a citation.
##
## Attaching package: 'pROC'
## The following object is masked from 'package:glmnet':
##
##      auc
## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##      cov, smooth, var
##      probabilities aboveCrimeLevel
## 1  0.0401878911      no
## 2  0.3510332967      no
## 3  0.3982404496      no
## 4  0.5568010397      yes
## 5  0.0630655654      no
## 6  0.0981518066      no
## 7  0.1294816917      no
## 8  0.0159707340      no
## 9  0.0090160269      no
## 10 0.0058600350      no
## 11 0.2467498620      no
## 12 0.2276392028      no

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## 13	0.5610273932	yes
## 14	0.6608200358	yes
## 15	0.3813790206	no
## 16	0.1586556637	no
## 17	0.1608045508	no
## 18	0.7208701740	yes
## 19	0.0349827415	no
## 20	0.0001243210	no
## 21	0.0003177122	no
## 22	0.0554909185	no
## 23	0.0987197202	no
## 24	0.0852855416	no
## 25	0.0740784658	no
## 26	0.2756342311	no
## 27	0.0020482605	no
## 28	0.9999747906	yes
## 29	0.9999618540	yes
## 30	0.9994042555	yes
## 31	0.9999961338	yes
## 32	0.9999648979	yes
## 33	0.9999577259	yes
## 34	0.9999794856	yes
## 35	0.9999883091	yes
## 36	0.9999940835	yes
## 37	0.9999445249	yes
## 38	0.9995991342	yes
## 39	0.5109365951	yes
## 40	0.2720051271	no

- Appendix of R code

```

crime <- read.csv("crime-training-data.csv")
summary(crime)
str(crime)
# change to rad and tax to numerics
crime$tax <- as.numeric(crime$tax)
crime$rad <- as.numeric(crime$rad)
if (!require(dplyr)) install.packages("dplyr", dependencies = TRUE)
if (!require(ggplot2)) install.packages("ggplot2", dependencies = TRUE)
if (!require(tidyr)) install.packages("tidyr", dependencies = TRUE)

# do a histogram plot for each attribute, remove labels and have title only
ggplot(gather(crime), aes(x=value)) +
  geom_histogram(bins = 10) +
  facet_wrap(~ key, scales = "free") +
  theme_bw() +
  theme_classic() +
  ggtitle("Histogram of All Attributes") +
  theme(axis.title = element_blank())
# create correlation matrix for the crime dataset; will be used to filter columns
crime$chas <- factor(crime$chas)
crime$target <- factor(crime$target)

crime_correlation_matrix <- cor(crime[,c(1:2, 4:13)])
crime_correlation_matrix

```

```

lm1_crime <- glm(target ~ zn + indus + chas +
                 nox + rm + age + dis + rad + tax +
                 ptratio + black + lstat + medv,
                 data = crime, family = "binomial")
summary(lm1_crime)
lm2_crime <- glm(target ~ nox + age + dis + rad + tax + ptratio + medv,
                 data = crime, family = "binomial")
summary(lm2_crime)
# load caret package
if (!require(caret)) install.packages("caret", dependencies = TRUE)

# find columns that have absolute high correlation above 0.75 as a cutoff,
# use R's caret package and the function findCorrelation
well_correlated <- findCorrelation(crime_correlation_matrix, cutoff = 0.75)

# create a crime subset that contains the variables that are not well correlated
crime_subset <- crime %>% select(-well_correlated, target)

# print variables to be used
print("Variables to be used:")
names(crime_subset)

# make the binary model out of those variables
lm3_model <- glm(target ~ zn + nox + age + dis + tax + ptratio + black + lstat +
                 medv, data = crime_subset, family = "binomial")
summary(lm3_model)
if (!require(glmnet)) install.packages("glmnet", dependencies = TRUE)
library(glmnet)

# use the cv.glmnet to do cross validation on the data to find the optimal lambda
# value that has the lowest missclassification rate in predicting target
lm4_model <- cv.glmnet(x=data.matrix(crime[,1:13]), y=crime$target,
                      family = "binomial", alpha = 1, nlambda = 100,
                      type.measure = "class")
# plot the model and show lambda values that provide minimal missclassification rate
plot(lm4_model)

# fit the model based on picking a model that has minimal lambda (penalty)
# use the lambda that is 1 standard error from the min value so features may be
# removed and less variables
fit <- glmnet(x=data.matrix(crime[,1:13]), y=crime$target, family = "binomial",
              alpha = 1, lambda = lm4_model$lambda.1se)

# output coefficients of the fitted model and which variables we will select
fit$a0
fit$beta[,1]
# compute AIC when using the GLM package for fitting a model with regression
# AIC computation is below:
k <- fit$df # number of features, degrees of freedom
loglikelihood <- fit$nulldev - deviance(fit) # log-likelihood
AICc <- -2*loglikelihood + 2*k
AICc
# predict on the training data to compute stats

```

```

predict_train <- predict(fit, type = "class", newx = data.matrix(crime[,1:13]),
                        s = "lambda.1se")
conf_matrix <- confusionMatrix(factor(predict_train), crime$target, positive = "1")
conf_matrix
conf_matrix_table <- conf_matrix$table
f1 <- (2 * precision(conf_matrix_table) * sensitivity(conf_matrix_table)) /
      (precision(conf_matrix_table) + specificity(conf_matrix_table))
f1
error_rate <- 1 - conf_matrix$overall['Accuracy'] # extract accuracy
names(error_rate) = "Classification error rate"
error_rate
precision(conf_matrix_table)
if(!require(pROC)) install.packages("pROC", dependencies = TRUE)
library(pROC)

# evaluation dataset to test out model
crime_eval <- read.csv("crime-evaluation-data.csv")
# probabilities
probabilities <- predict(fit, type = "response",
                        newx = data.matrix(crime_eval[,1:13]))

# classification with threshold > 0.5 neighborhood is in high crime level, not
# otherwise
above_med_crime_rate <- predict(fit, type = "class",
                              newx = data.matrix(crime_eval[,1:13]))
above_med_crime_rate <- ifelse(above_med_crime_rate >= 0.5, "yes", "no")

predictions <- data.frame(probabilities, above_med_crime_rate)
colnames(predictions) <- c("probabilities", "aboveCrimeLevel")
predictions

```