Predicting and Analyzing Pre-Term Birth from Sleep and Physical Activity Proteomics Pregnancy Data

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Introduction



It's me!



Perla Molina

- Incoming First Year PhD in BMI
- Bachelor's in Data Science at USF
 - DaVita Internship
 - **AWM President**
- Why Stanford?
 - Easy move
 - Meaningful research
 - Data science realm





- Research interests
 - Cancer and disease
 - gynecology/women's health
- Obsessed with kpop and horror movies





Background Info + Material



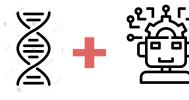
Previous PTB + Pregnancy Research feat. NALab



PTB \rightarrow leading cause of mortality/morbidity for children under 5 (1)



Discovery of prevention measures based on maternal info (i.e previous PTB, socioeconomic background, quality of care visits, environment, etc) (1)



Multi-omics + ML techniques \rightarrow precision medicine/healthcare to assess PTB associations and risk (1); and predict neonatal outcomes (2)



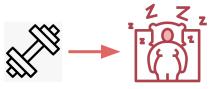
Sleep + Physical Activity During Pregnancy



Sleep problems affect growth and fetal development due to transfer of melatonin from mother to fetus $(3) \rightarrow$ increase risk of PTB (4)

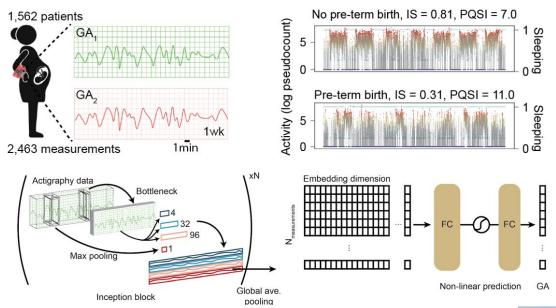


Regular exercise of moderate intensity increases placental blood perfusion → prevent placental abnormalities (3)



Relative sleep quality decreases in T3, but moderate PA improves sleep in T1 and T3 $(4) \rightarrow$ correlations of sleep + PA during pregnancy

NALab Research of Sleep + PA on PTB





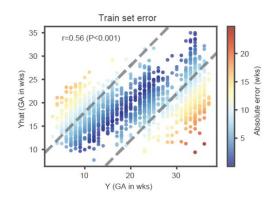
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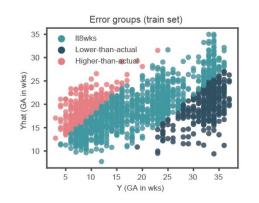
- Smartwatch data to track sleep + PA
- Previous ML/NN
 models demonstrate
 link between PTB and
 sleep + PA
 - Computationally develop preventative measures w/o use of medications
 - Assess what is normal/good/bad



NALab Research of Sleep + PA on PTB Pt.2

Model has 3 distinct error modes





- Sleep + PA have major impacts on PTB (look at difference of OR)
- Sleep + PA is dynamic throughout pregnancy

Real GA lower than actual GA: OR 0.49; pvalue 10e-152

Real GA higher than actual GA: OR 1.33; pvalue 10e-27

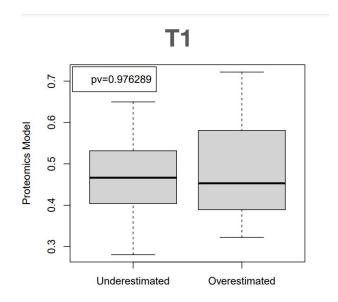


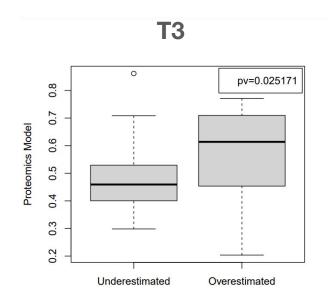




NALab Research So Far

Predict PTB from sleep + PA proteomics (feat. outcome variable from EHR data)



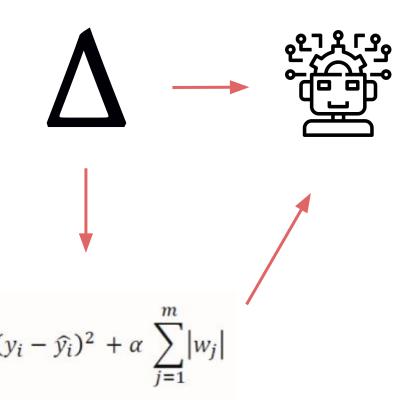




Objectives

My Task

- Solve Delta(T1,T3) (Reproduce results from previous slide)
 - Analyze it
 - Assess significance + what it means in biological context
 - Compare to Prior PTB counts
- Run a Lasso Regression
 - Look at results
 - Make an assessment

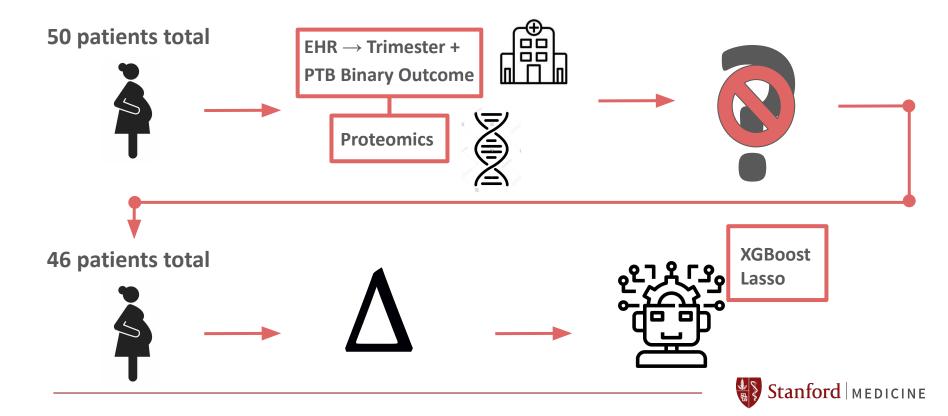




Methodology



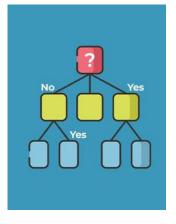
Study Design



What I Used

- R: XGBoost + Lasso
 - Wilcoxon Test (p value)
 - AUC
 - Augmented accuracy
 - MSPE (for Lasso)
- Training-Test Split = 50/50 (for both)
- For Lasso, tested 200 alpha values
 between 0.005 and 1







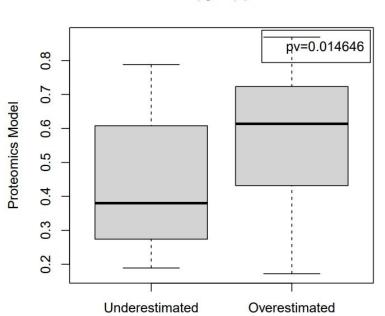
Results

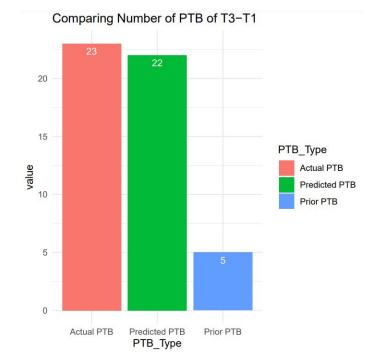


Delta Results

	T1	ТЗ	T3-T1
auc	0.5033	0.6902	0.7089
pv	0.97629	0.02517	0.01465
Accuracy	0.48980	0.61702	0.63043

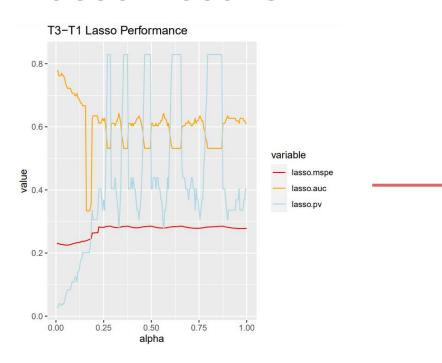


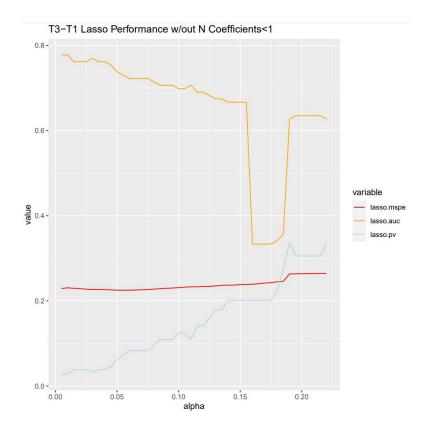






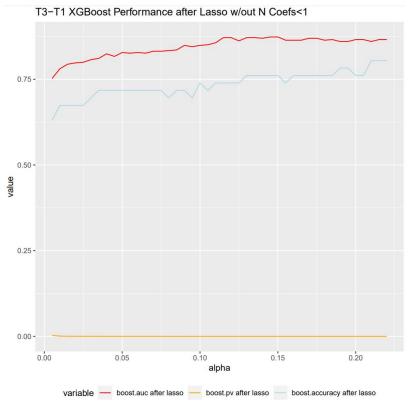
Lasso Results







Lasso Results Pt.2







What (was found)	So what (does it mean)	Now what (do we do)
Very difficult to predict anything in T1 compared to T3 looking at the difference in p values and accuracies.	Illustrates the importance of moderating pregnancy throughout. Conducting computational research requires holistic and comprehensive data/info of entire pregnancy. Corroborates literature + research on how dynamic sleep + PA is.	Longitudinal data is the way to go. Always acquire pregnancy data beyond a single trimester, a single doctor's visit, or even a single pregnancy (if applicable).
Significant value in delta (T3-T1) from its p value with improved accuracy and AUC. Better than either trimester individually.	May not be able to predict much in T1, but delta tells us there is attainable insights after T1 or between any or all trimesters.	Can possibly replicate this between or across doctor visits and not just between trimesters. Also apply process to other types of data (i.e. metabolomics, other pregnancy outcomes, placenta imaging, etc).



What (was found)	So what (does it mean)	Now what (do we do)
There were 23 actual PTBs versus 22 predicted with 5 having had prior PTB.	1) Previous research has demonstrated that prior PTB is the top increasing risk factor for PTB. These data results showed a lot more PTBs. 2) Illustrates and corroborates how much sleep + PA can truly effect likelihood of PTB aside from other risk factors.	1) Should conduct separate tests of predicting PTB on just those with prior PTB vs no prior PTB to see cohesive results than what I did. 2) Collect more proteomic data of sleep + PA. Perhaps even collect data at T2.
Lasso is tricky and can easily cause overfitting. Lower alpha values (less harsh of a penalty/smoother alphas) are better with lower p values and high AUCs.	1) Nearly all variables of proteomic data are necessary/important for predicting PTB. Probably do not need to consider or focus on dimension reduction. OR 2) Possibly need more data.	1) Collect and integrate more data (only 46 patients) to improve Lasso if high dimensionality is an issue when adding more patient data. 2) Test other algorithms or methods.



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Overall, computational research corroborates non-computational research and literature of sleep + PA on PTB/pregnancy outcomes.	There is significant and translational value in what this lab is doing (I believe everyone knows that by now IoI).	Keep doing what you're doing!



Challenges & Opportunities



Challenges

- Figuring out how to do delta
 - It's just basic matrix subtraction BUT different sizes between T1 and T3
- Coding Lasso and running XGBoost after
 - Ran into overfitting issues altogether with one alpha value → decided to test multiple alpha values
 - Had a lot of errors due to some alpha values resulting in only 1 coefficient (the intercept) → undefined matrix
- Basic coding errors
- Adjusting to grad school life right after undergrad









Opportunities (What I Learned)

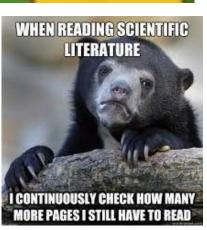
- How far along ML has gotten in biology/medical setting. Cool + impactful stuff happening
- Figuring out how to implement code you want can take A LONG time → taught me patience & it's okay to take time coding
- Reading science papers takes a while (help from ADVANCE)
- NALab is a cool lab to work at

Me: *uses machine learning*

Machine: *learns*

Me:







If I Had More Time

- Test other ML techniques/algorithms (NN, Elastic Net, Logistic Regression, RF, etc)
- Rerun algorithm w/ more collected data
 - Rerun on different type of data (on genomics, metabolomics, etc)
- Perhaps test algorithm w/ different pregnancy outcome
- Try to see if i could implement PINNACLE (5)



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