

Forecasting length of stay in trauma network

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Introduction of trauma networks



What is Trauma networks?

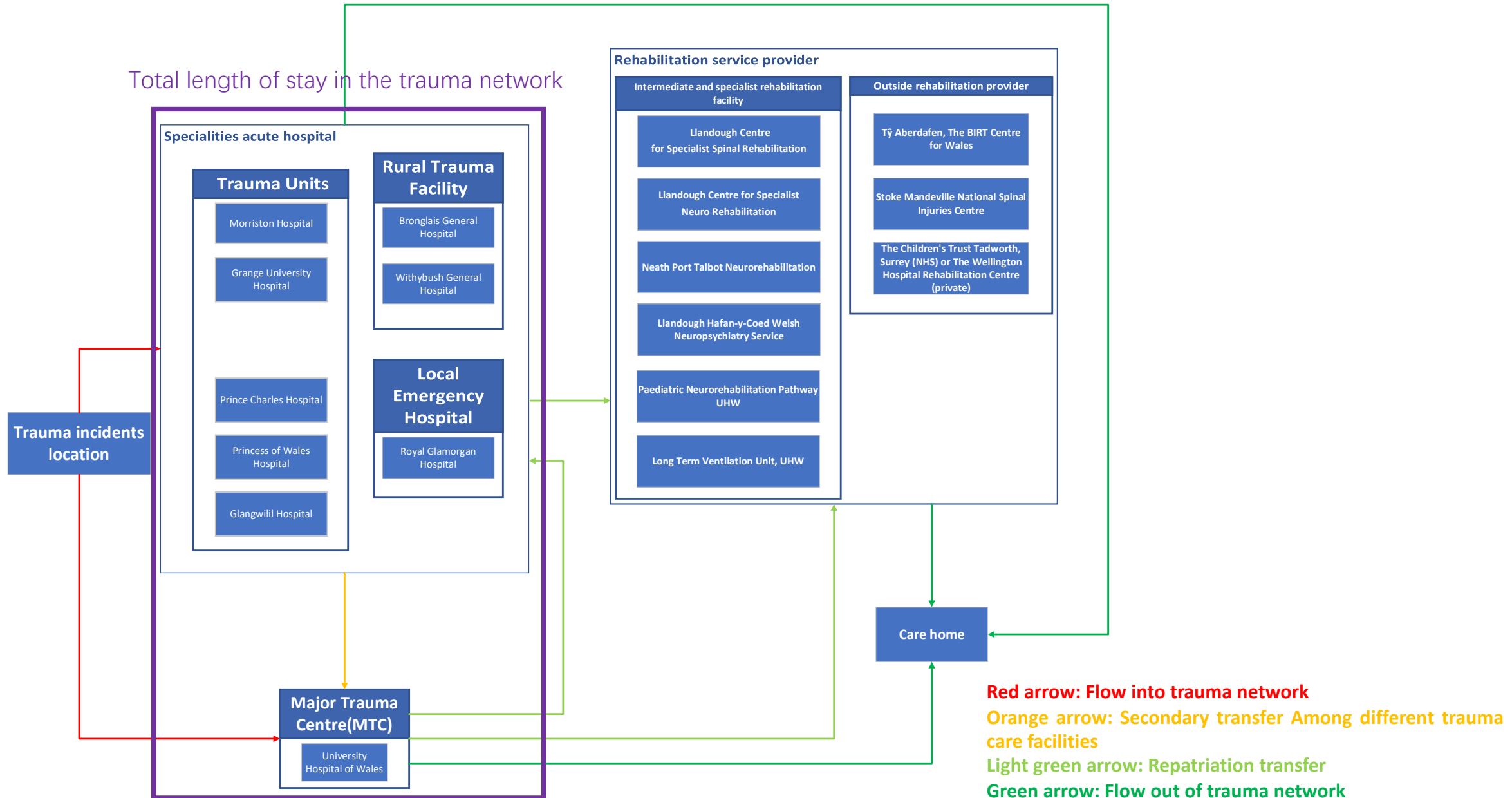
The collaboration between the health care providers to deliver trauma care services in a geographical area

Why networks?

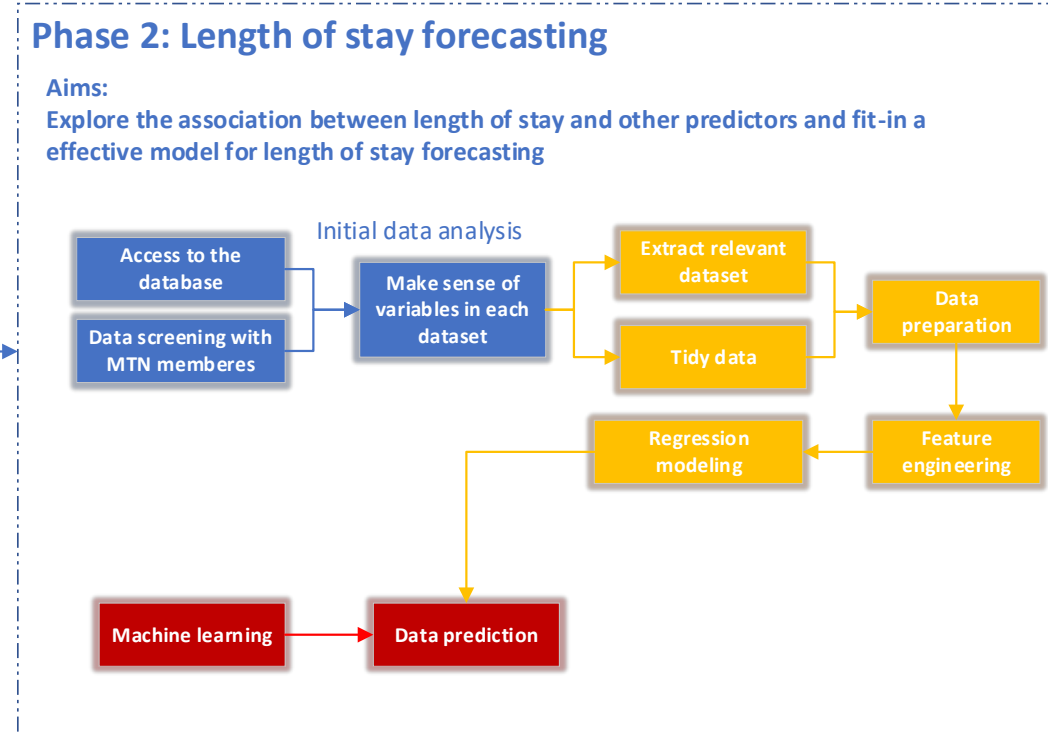
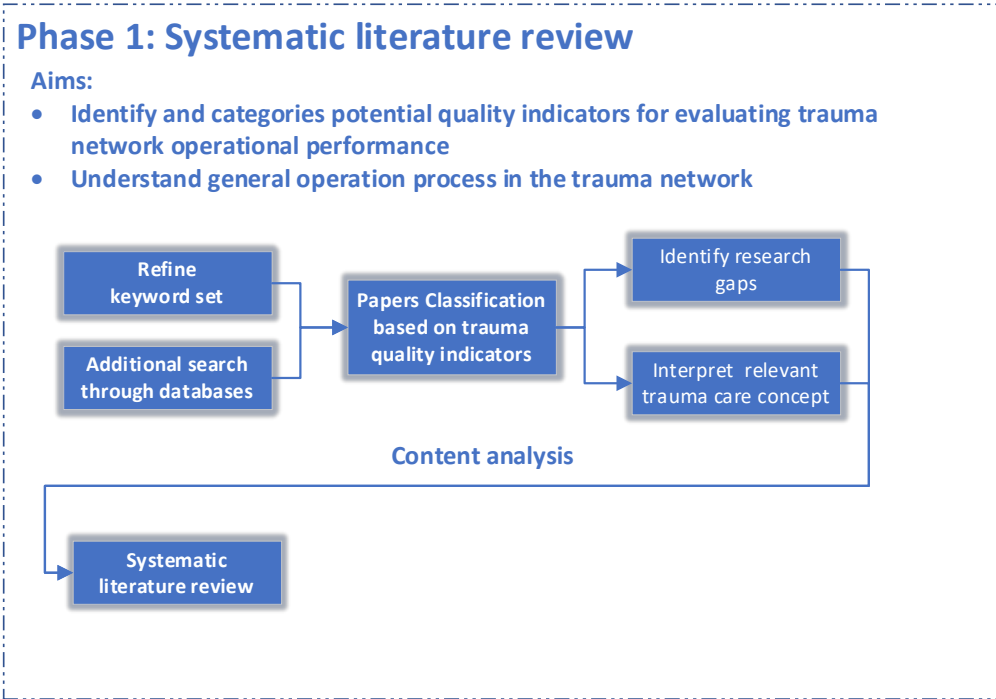
- Organizing trauma care has been a strong health care agenda in UK since the 2010.
- Trauma networks in London and other place of England have shown a significant reduction in mortality/ morbidity and improvements in functional outcome.



General patient flow in trauma network



Previous work and Research objective



- Patient length of stay as a process indicator for evaluating the operation of trauma networks has rarely been explored.
- the clinical trauma interventions, patients' complications and discharge destination contribute to the variation of patients' length of stay within the trauma network (Moore 2018 et al.)

Long-term objective: the data-driven LOS forecasting model could provide analytical assumption to build the system dynamic model for simulating the patient flow in the whole trauma network



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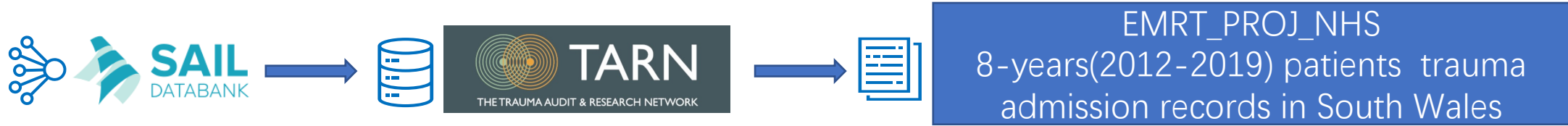
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Data acquisition and characteristics

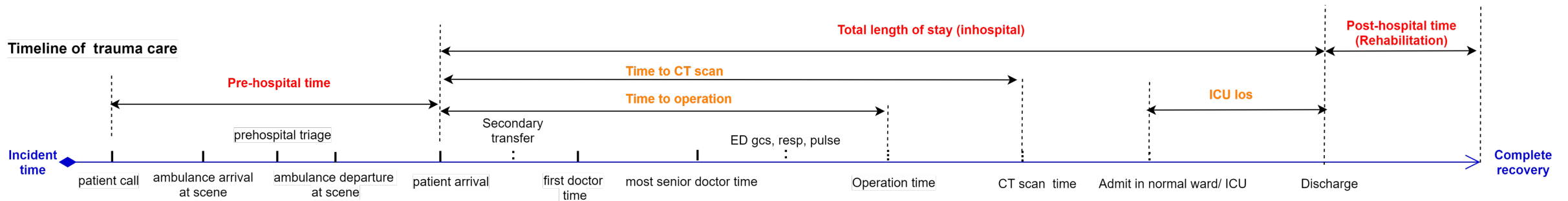
- Data Source



- Response variable : Total length of stay

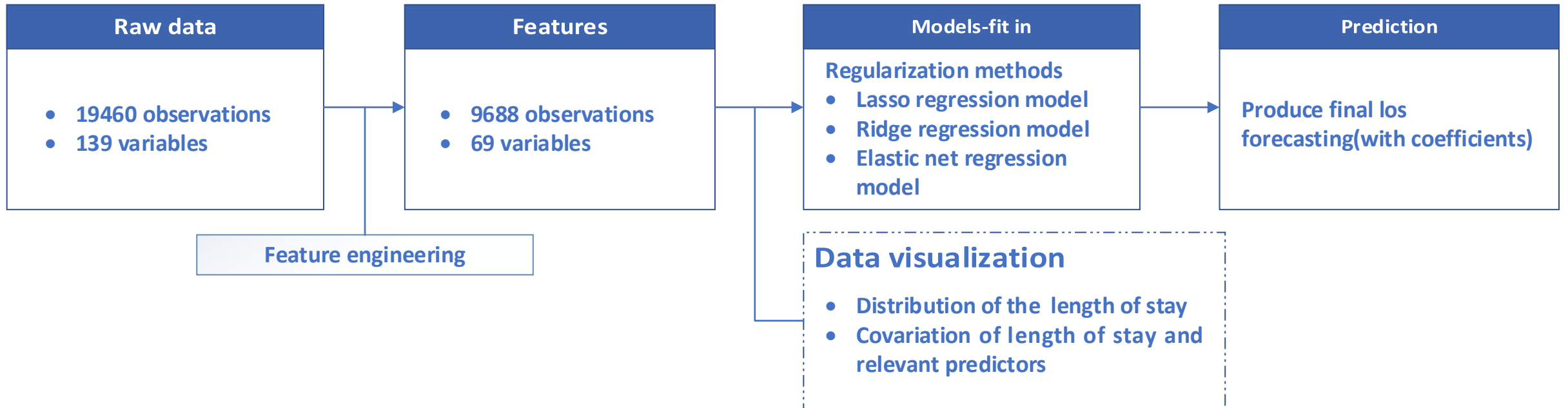
- Predictors:

- Categorical: age, gender, injury mechanism, transfer status, ward and Binary variables (Welsh incident, MTC, Operation...),
- Numerical: ISS, ED&prehospital GCS, RESP, SBP, Pulse...
- Time series: time points and interval in the trauma care process



≡ Data analysis process

Process for length of stay forecasting



Feature engineering (Process and Challenge)

Feature engineering

- Correct the time format
- Remove column with complete rate less than 10%
- Deal with Null value: replace them with the rest of the categories of corresponding column or simply remove the entire column
- Remove abnormal and meaningless values (“Not recorded”, “Not applicable”)
- Convert some columns into dummy variables



Poor data quality & Impact on the forecasting accuracy

- 60% of the observation was removed
- Lack of some important time interval feature (time to CT scan, operation)



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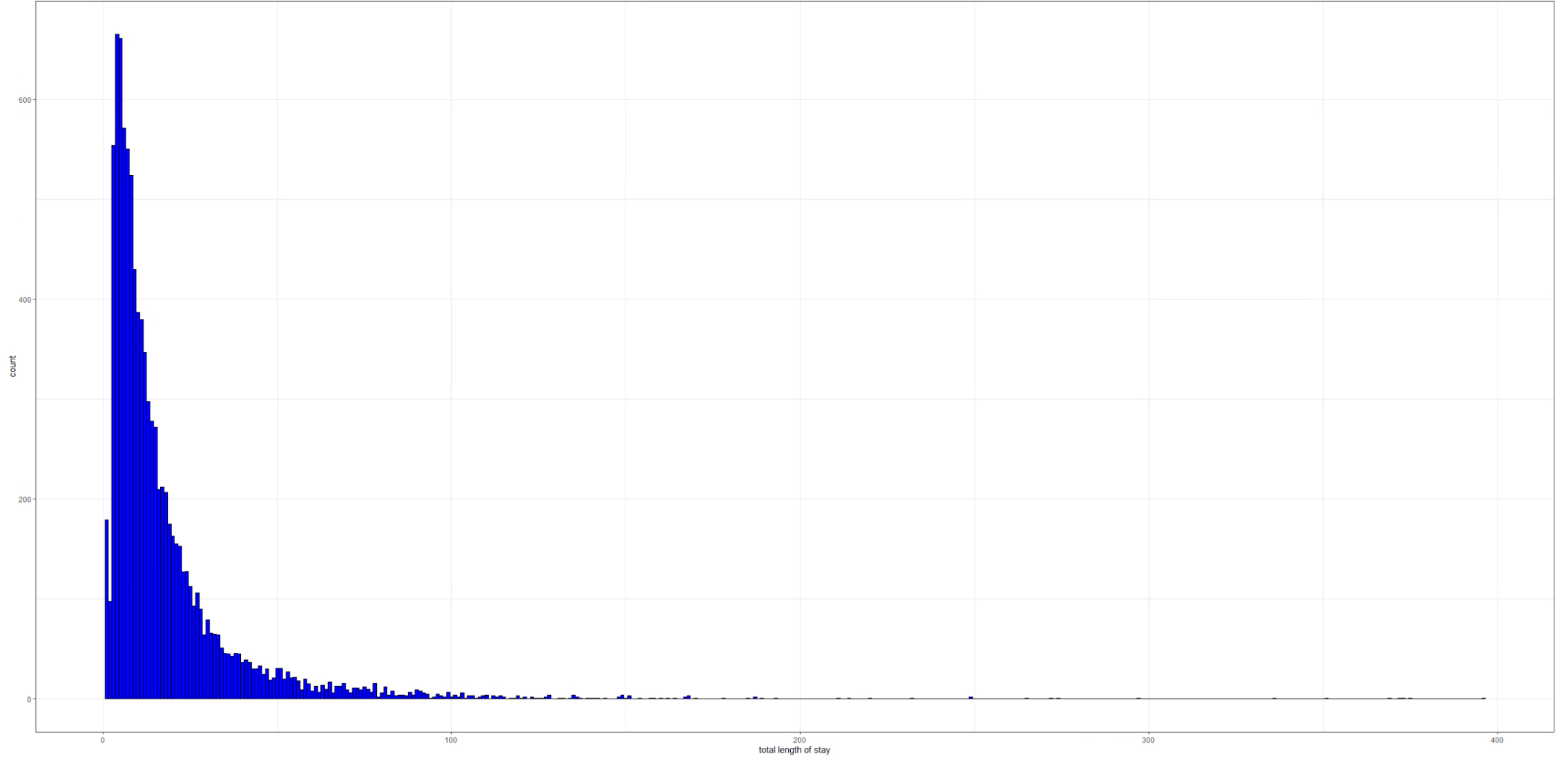
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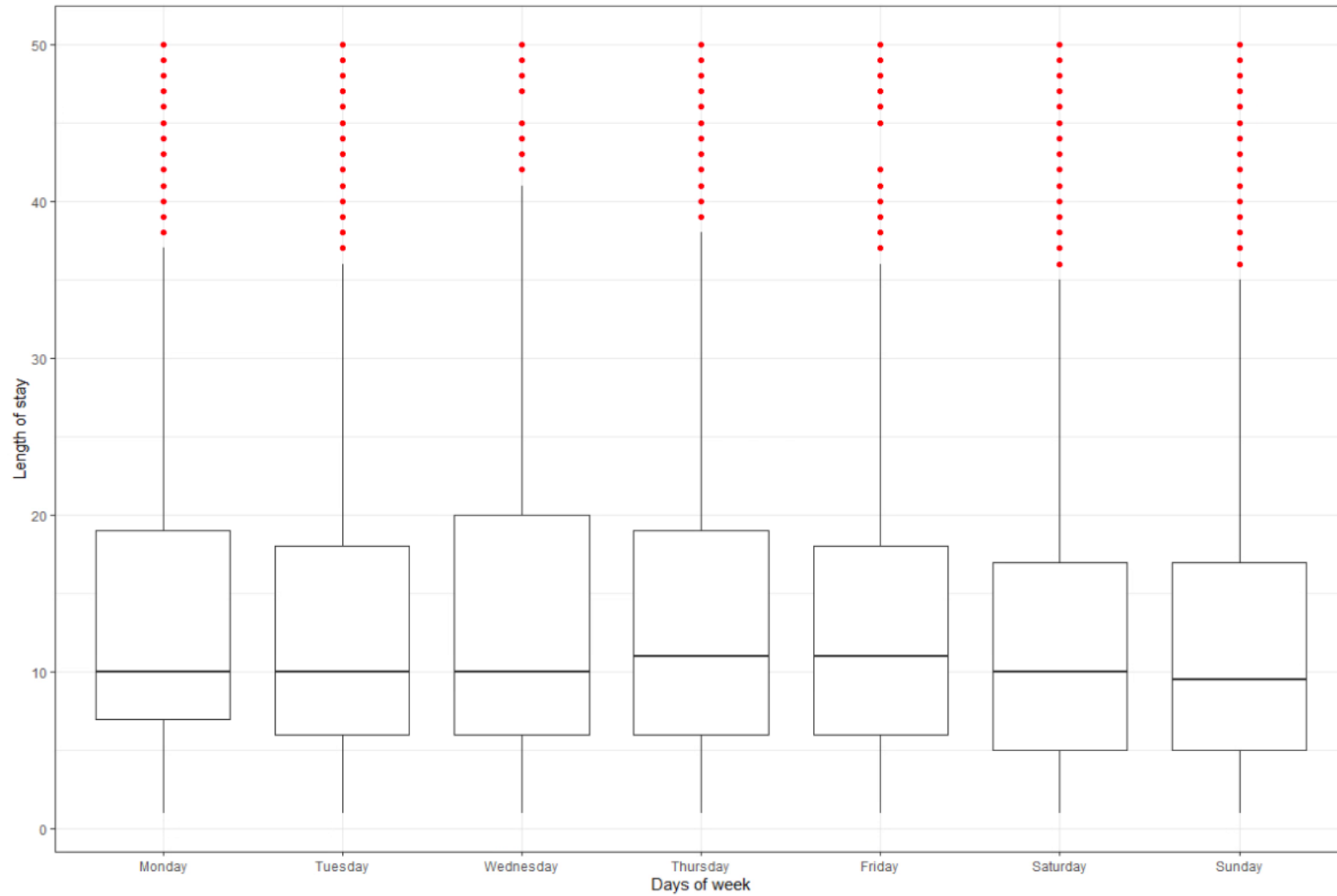
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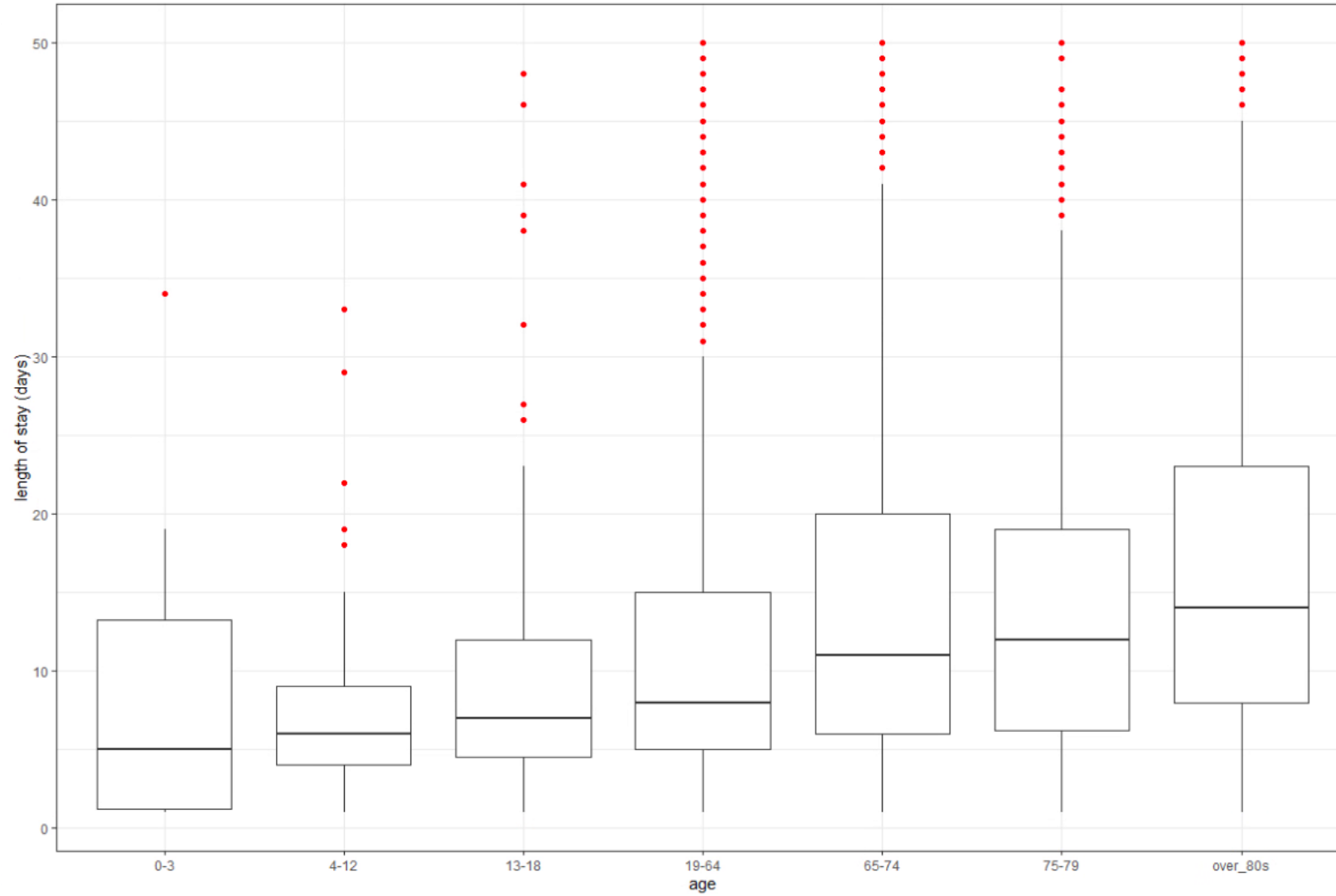
== Data visualization: Distribution of the total length of stay



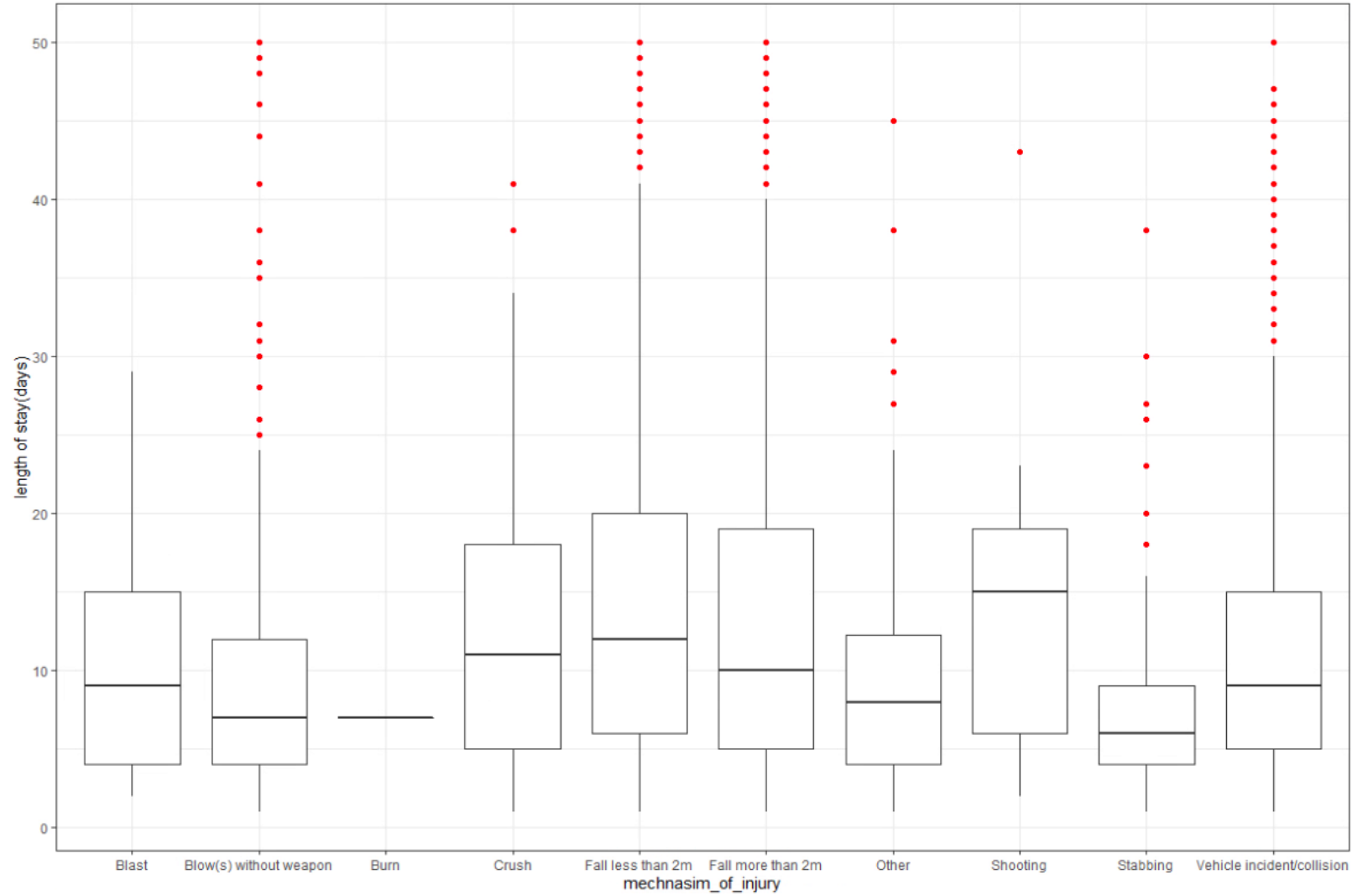
== Data visualization:Covariance between LOS & patient arrival date



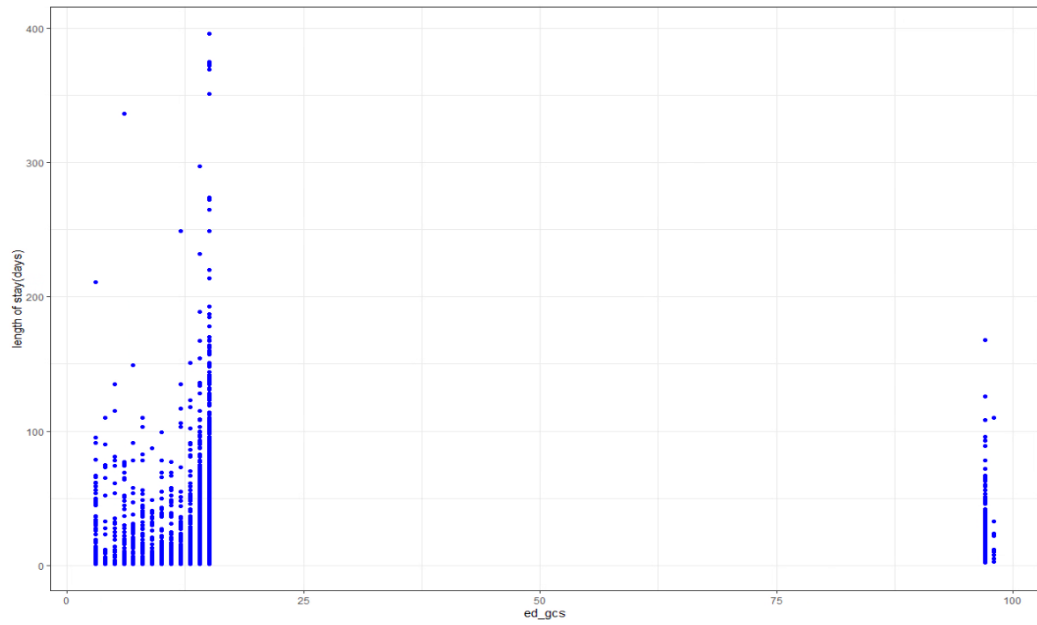
== Data visualization: Covariance between LOS & age groups



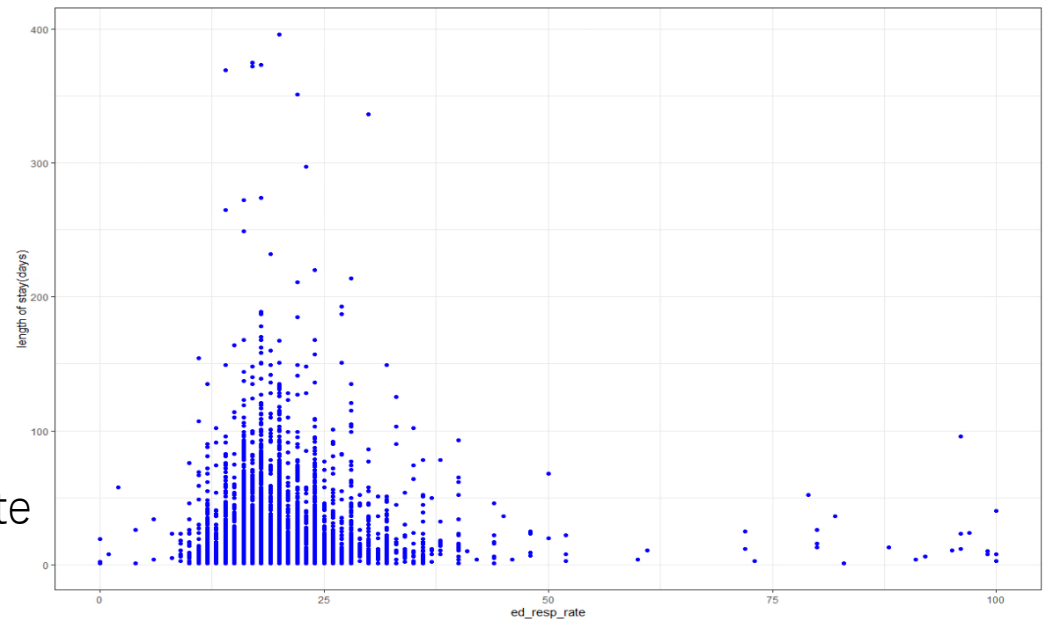
— Data visualization: Covariance between LOS & injury mechanism



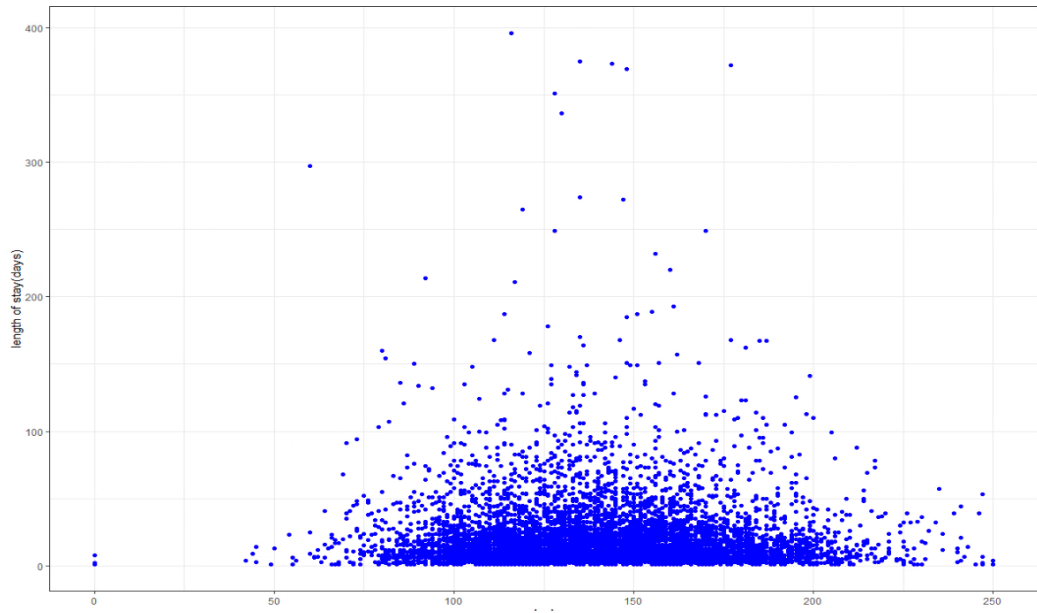
== Data visualization: Covariance between LOS & numeric features



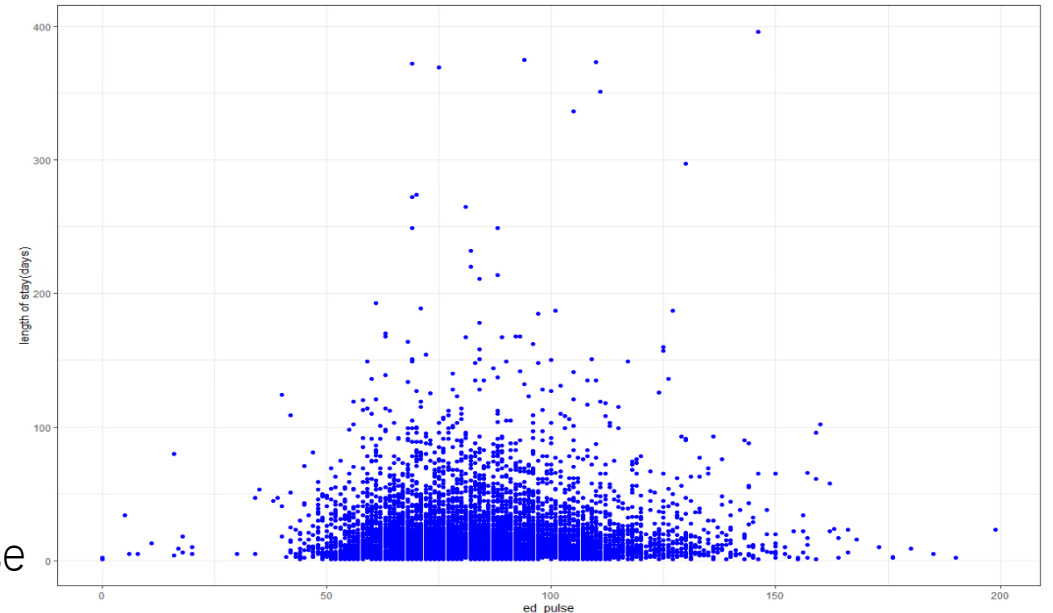
ed_gcs



ed_resp_rate

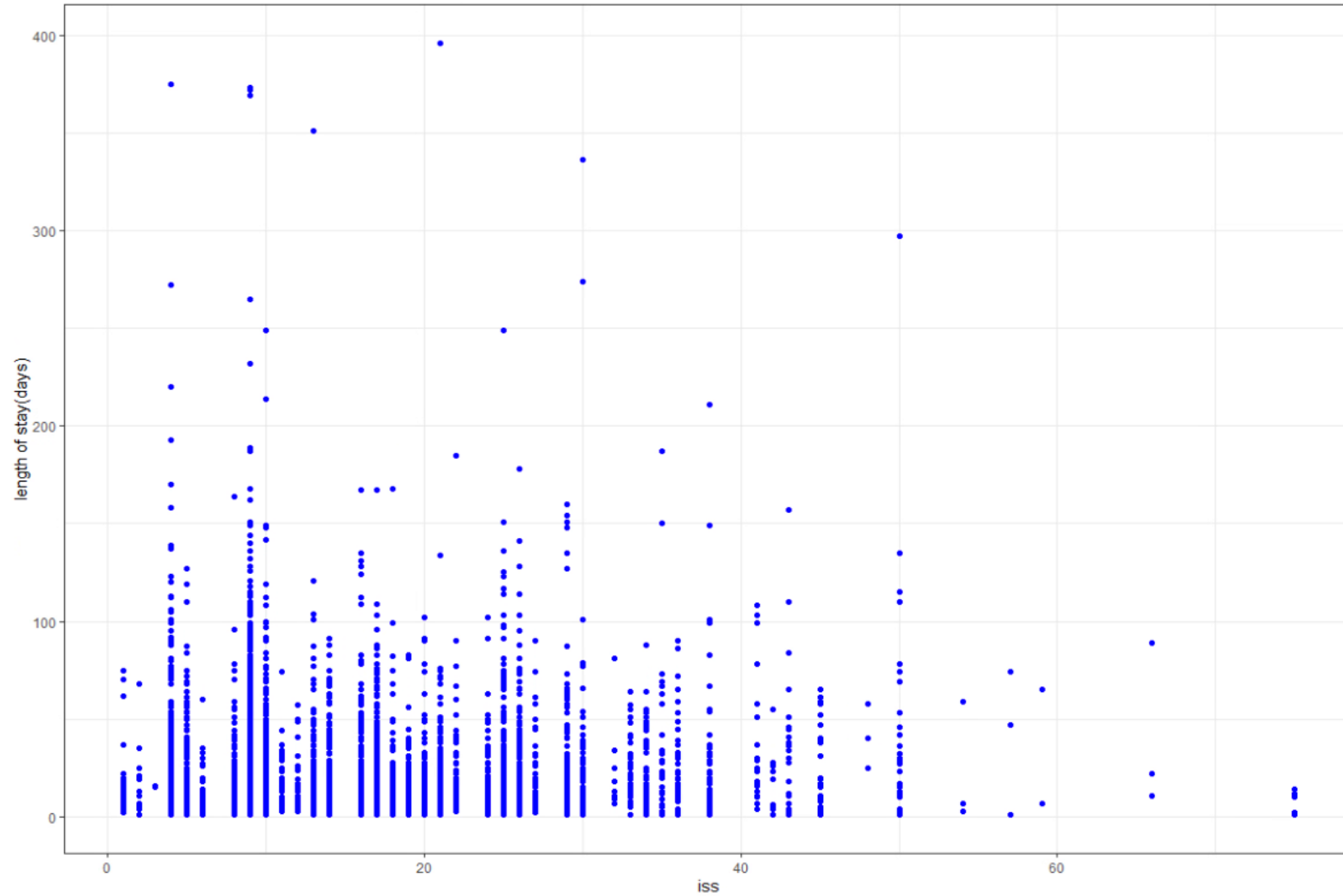


ed_sbp



ed_pulse

— Data visualization: Covariation between LOS & Injury severity score (ISS)





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Methodology :

- **Lasso Regression**

$$\underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - \beta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^p \beta_j x_{ij} \right)^2}_{RSS} + \lambda \underbrace{\sum_{j=1}^p |\beta_j|}_{\ell_1 \text{ penalisation}}$$

- **Ridge Regression**

$$\underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - \beta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^p \beta_j x_{ij} \right)^2}_{RSS} + \lambda \underbrace{\sum_{j=1}^p \beta_j^2}_{\ell_2 \text{ penalisation}}$$

- **Elastic net regression**

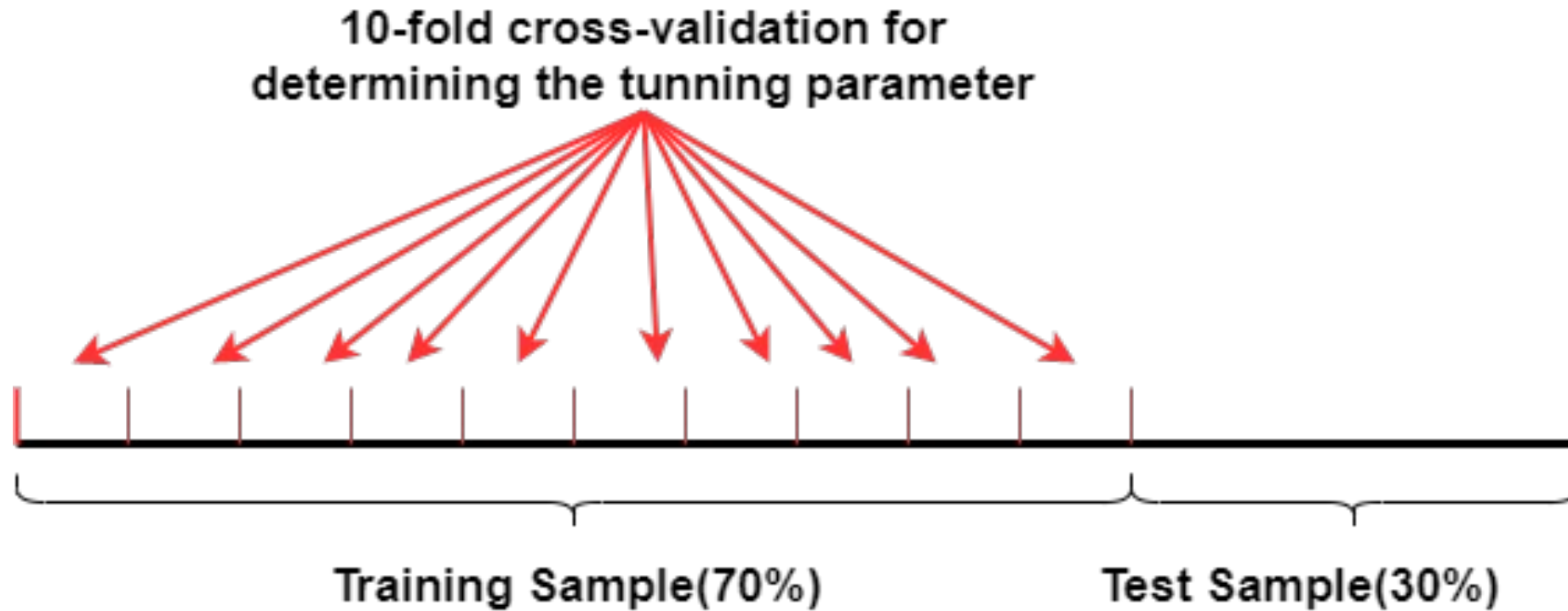
$$\sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - \beta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^p \beta_j x_{ij} \right)^2 + \lambda_1 \sum_{j=1}^p \beta_j^2 + \lambda_2 \sum_{j=1}^p |\beta_j|$$

- λ denotes the amount of shrinkage.

Reason for applying these regularization methods:

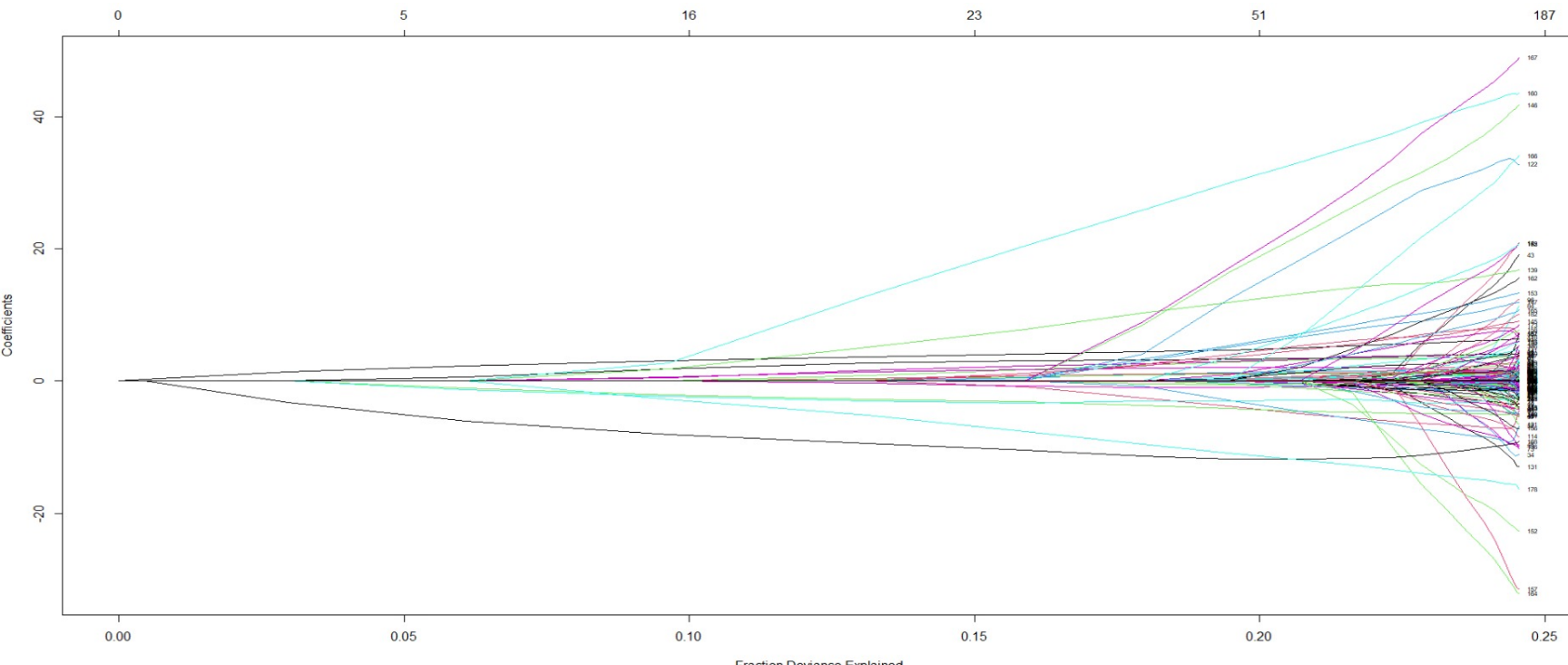
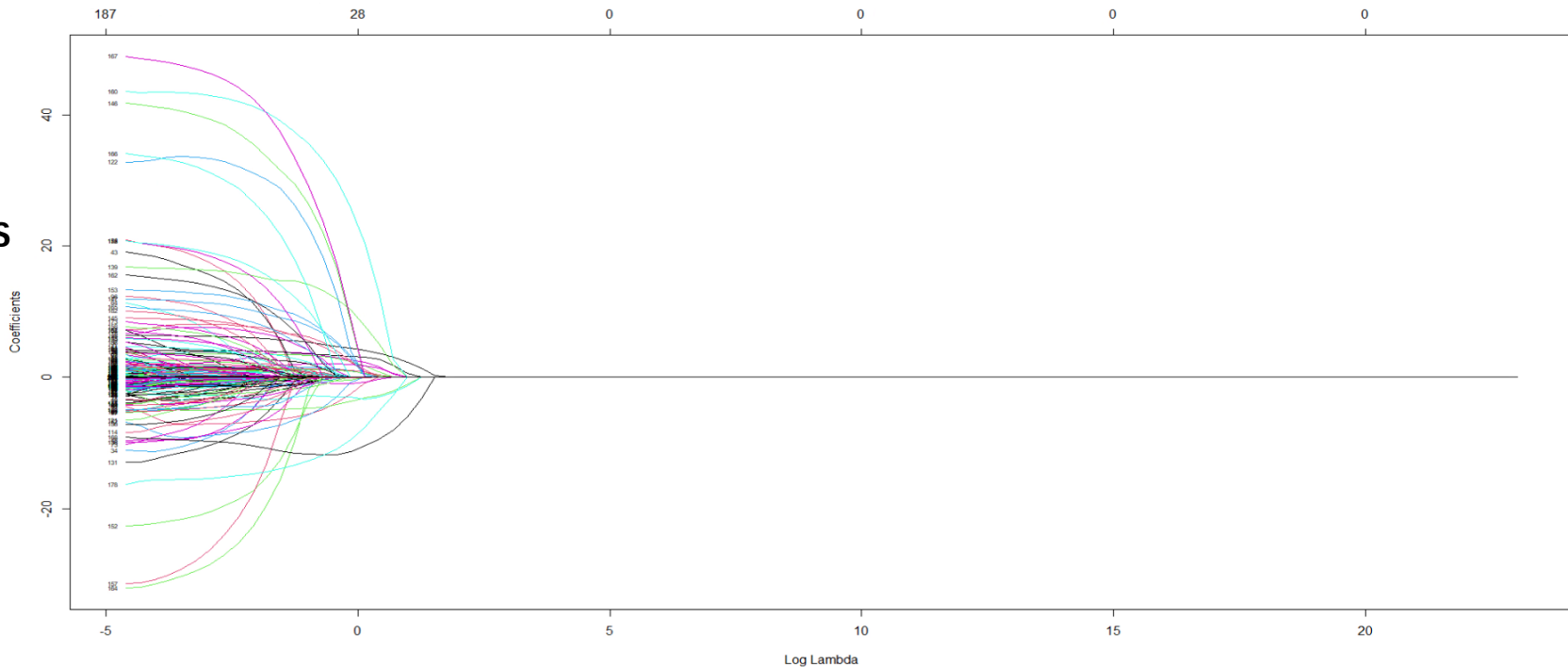
- Can be used to select important features from the dataset
- Shrinks the coefficients of less important features to exactly
- Independent features can be categorical, quantitative, or both

Methodology : technique for tuning parameter selection



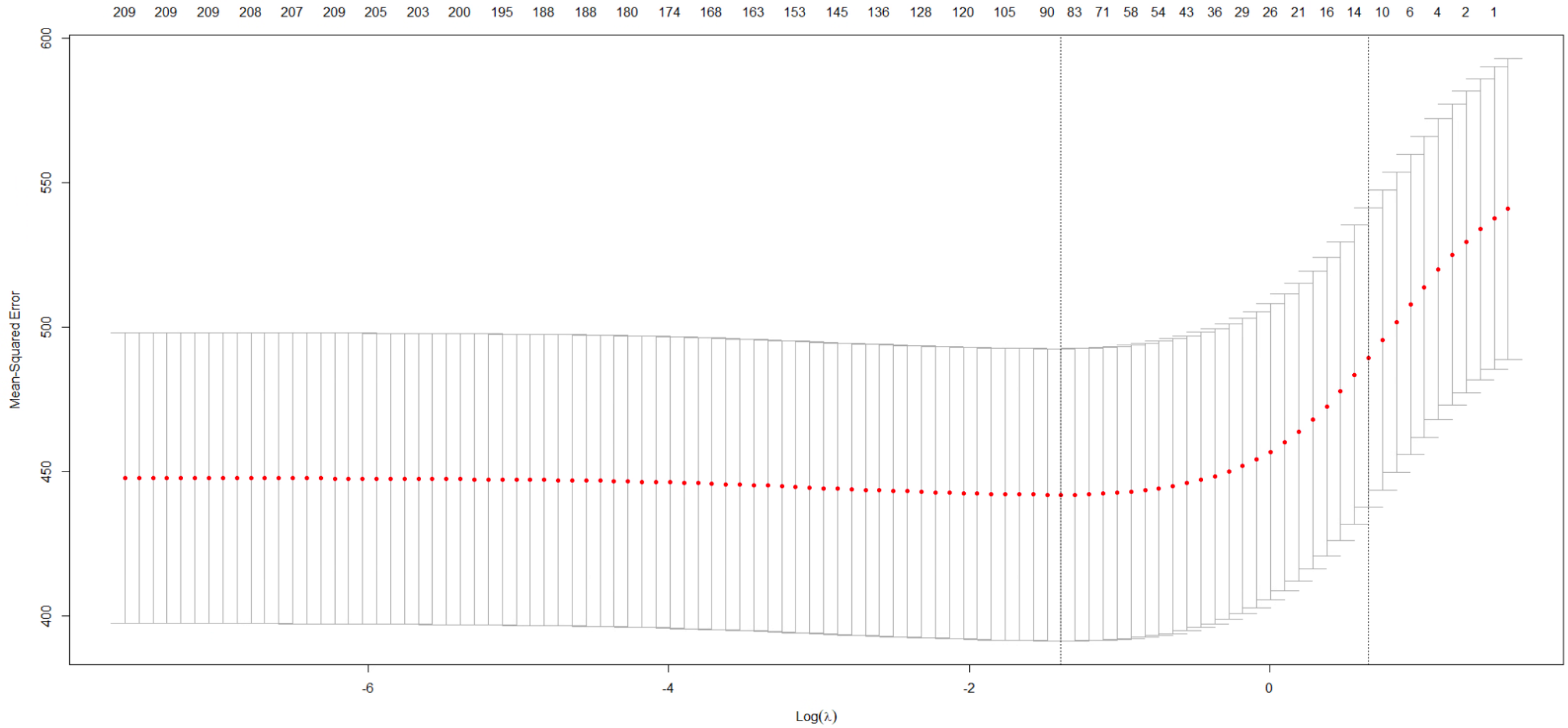
== Lasso model fit-in:

Lambda in relations to the coefficients



Goodness of fit

== Lasso model fit-in: $\alpha=1$, Choose the tuning parameter λ



The best λ value that minimizes the test MSE: 0.2497 .

Lasso model coefficient and forecasting accuracy

Intercept:14.3225

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(Intercept) 14.3225
welshresident 0.3566
countryid 0.0000
casemtc 2.9966
mechnasim_of_injuryFall less than 2m 1.7443
injury_typePenetrating -1.8064
locationHome 2.3702
locationInstitution 0.7224
locationOther Home (not patient's) 0.0592
arrival_modeHelicopter -0.0193
highest_dgree_of_attendantParamedic 0.8745
age19-64 -4.2856
age75-79 1.2692
prealertYes -0.1074
first_doctor_see_patientsConsultant -0.2690
first_doctor_see_patients_datetimeTuesday 0.5274
total_ed_intubvent 1.1272
totalnumbers_of_operations 4.7972
abdomen -0.0721
pelvis 1.3962
most_severeChest -0.4963
most_severeLimbs 0.3518
ward1Coronary Care Unit (CCU) -0.0440
ward1Geriatric 4.0309
ward1Level 4 25.4329
ward1Medical ward (inc. Pallative care) 0.2882
ward1Spinal injuries unit 6.4835
ward2Cardiothoracic -1.4217
ward2General acute (inc. paediatric) 0.8541
ward2Level 2 -2.0063
ward2Major trauma ward 0.8589
ward2Medical ward (inc. Pallative care) 6.5495
ward2Neurosurgical ward 8.9831
ward2Orthopaedic (inc. paediatric) 1.8711
ward2Post Anaesthetic Care Unit (PACU) -4.2429
ward2Surgical ward (inc. paediatric) -0.5874
ward3Emergency Admissions Unit (EAU) -1.9384

welshincident 0.4675
welshhospital 3.7861
mtc 0.8636
incident_dateSaturday 0.0815
mechnasim_of_injuryOther 0.0443
locationFarm -0.8640
locationIndustrial -1.2427
locationMountain -1.5611
locationRoad -0.6047
highest_dgree_of_attendantFY / Other 1.3218
age13-18 -6.7411
age4-12 -5.4383
ageover_80s 4.3928
ed_most_senior_doctor_datetimeSunday -0.3096
first_doctor_see_patientsST 3+ 0.1278
nice_headinjury_cretriaYes 2.4809
numbers_of_operations1 -0.3409
type_of_transferTransfer Out 3.6575
spine 1.5742
limbs 0.0012
most_severeFace -2.2338
ward1Cardiothoracic -1.5079
ward1Emergency Admissions Unit (EAU) -1.6907
ward1Level 3 2.5678
ward1Maxillofacial -0.9144
ward1Orthopaedic (inc. paediatric) 2.2512
ward1Surgical ward (inc. paediatric) -0.0265
ward2Emergency Admissions Unit (EAU) -2.3682
ward2Geriatric 18.5301
ward2Level 3 2.8540
ward2Maxillofacial -2.7834
ward2Neurosurgical rehabilitation ward 11.3555
ward2no_admission -3.1175
ward2Plastic Surgery -0.2932
ward2Spinal injuries unit 7.4505
ward3Cardiothoracic 0.2596
ward3General acute (inc. paediatric) 2.7558
  
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93 out of 214 variables with non-zero coefficients

Included features

welsh_resident

welsh_incident

welsh_hospital

casemtc

location

highest_degree_of_attendent

age

time for first_doctor_see_patients

type of transfer

ward type

most_sever injury

status of discharge

nice_head_injury_cretria

ed_pulse

ed_resp_rate

Ps14

case_known outcome

known outcome

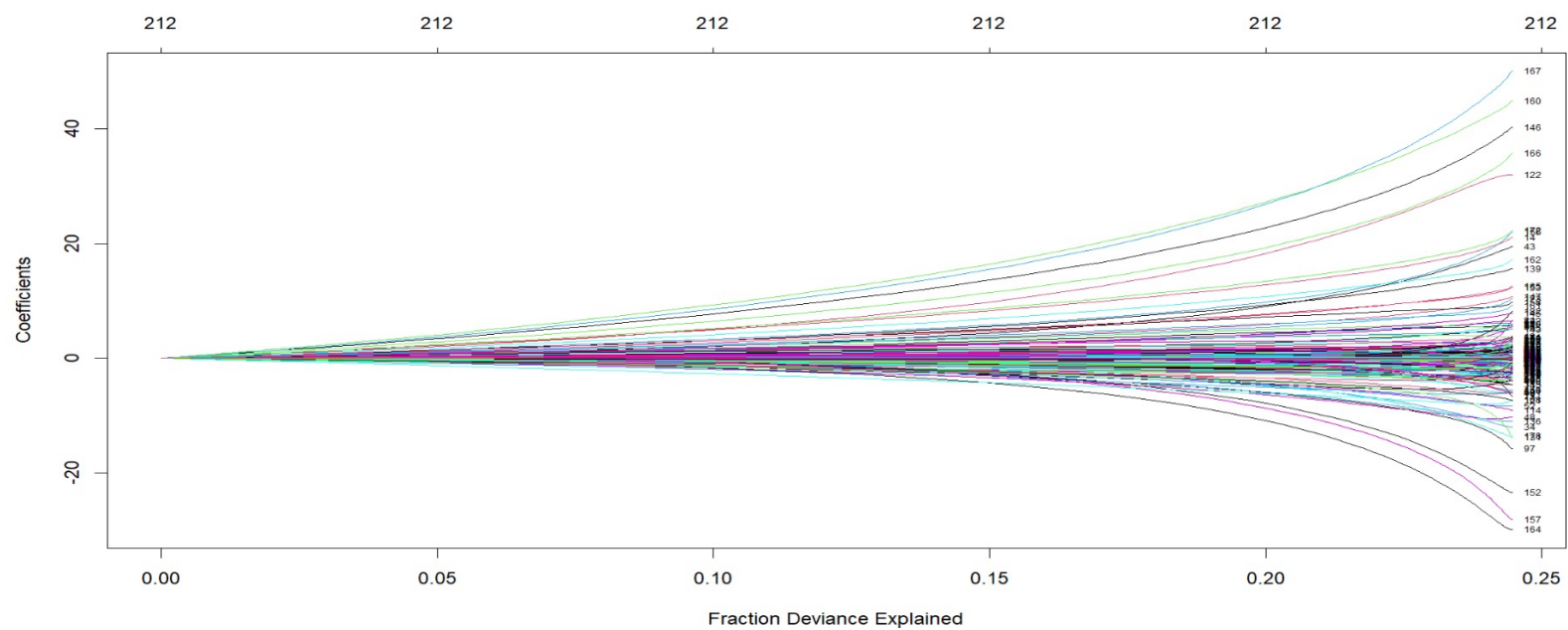
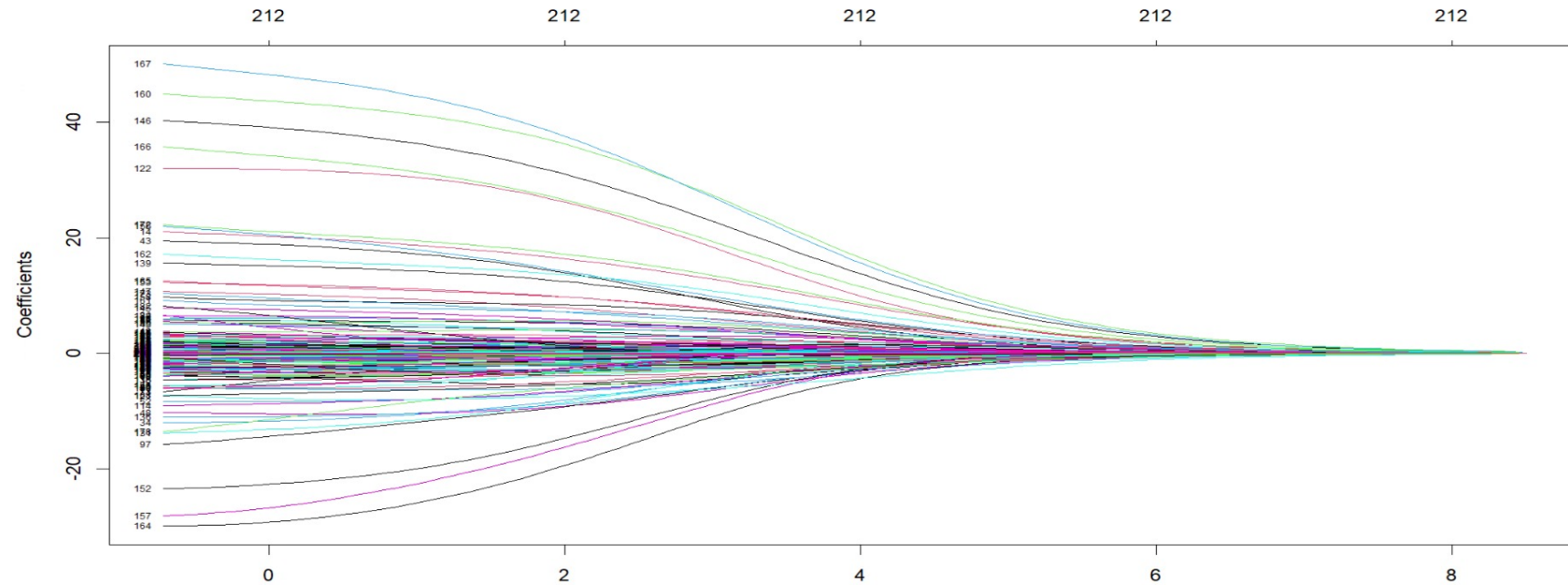
prehospital_pulse

patient-arrival_time

txa_location

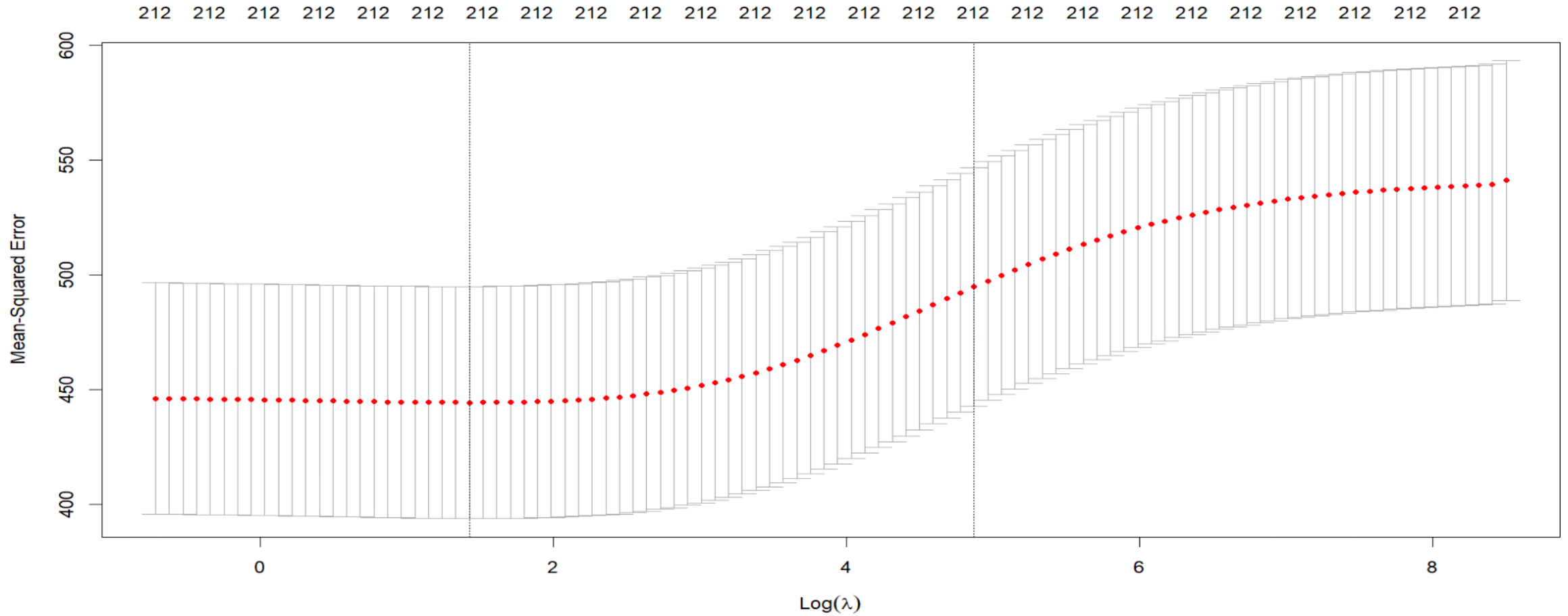
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Lambda in relations to the coefficients



Goodness of fit

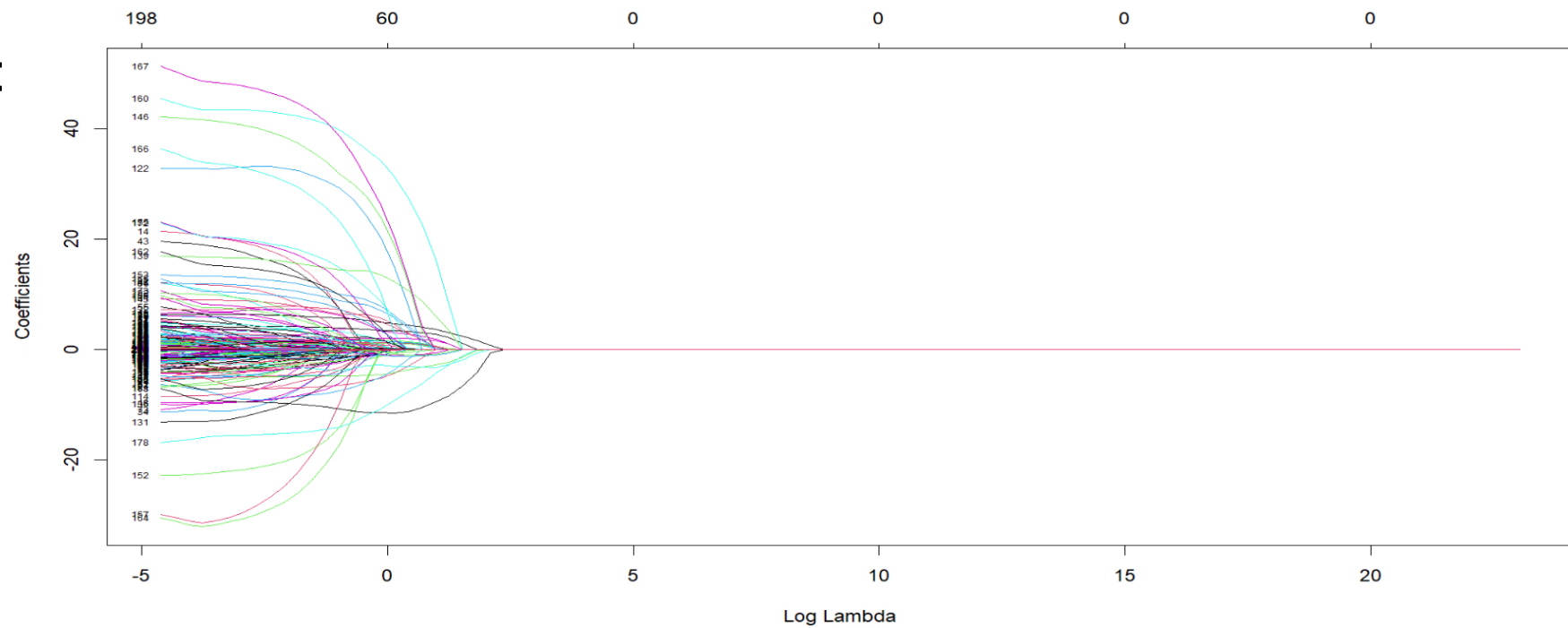
== Ridge model fit-in: $\alpha=0$, Choose the tuning parameter λ



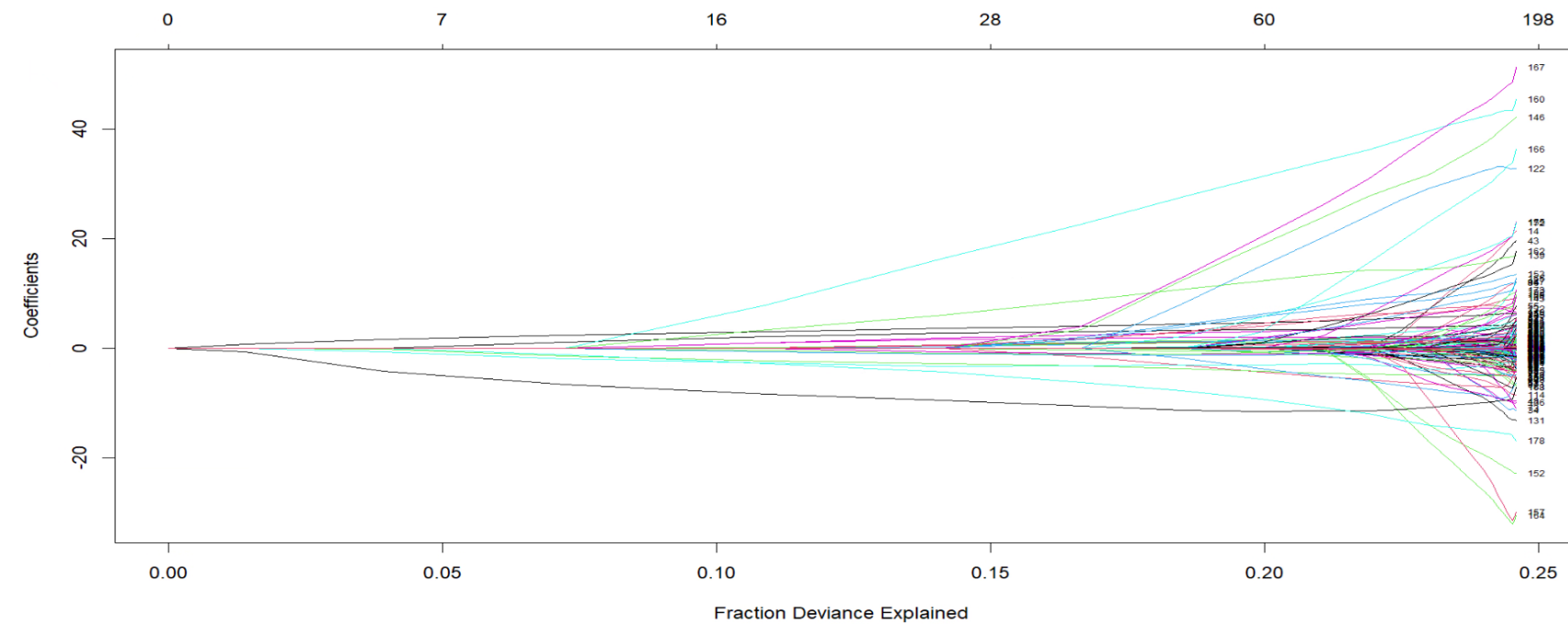
The best λ value that minimizes the test MSE: 4.165675

== Elastic-net model fit-in:

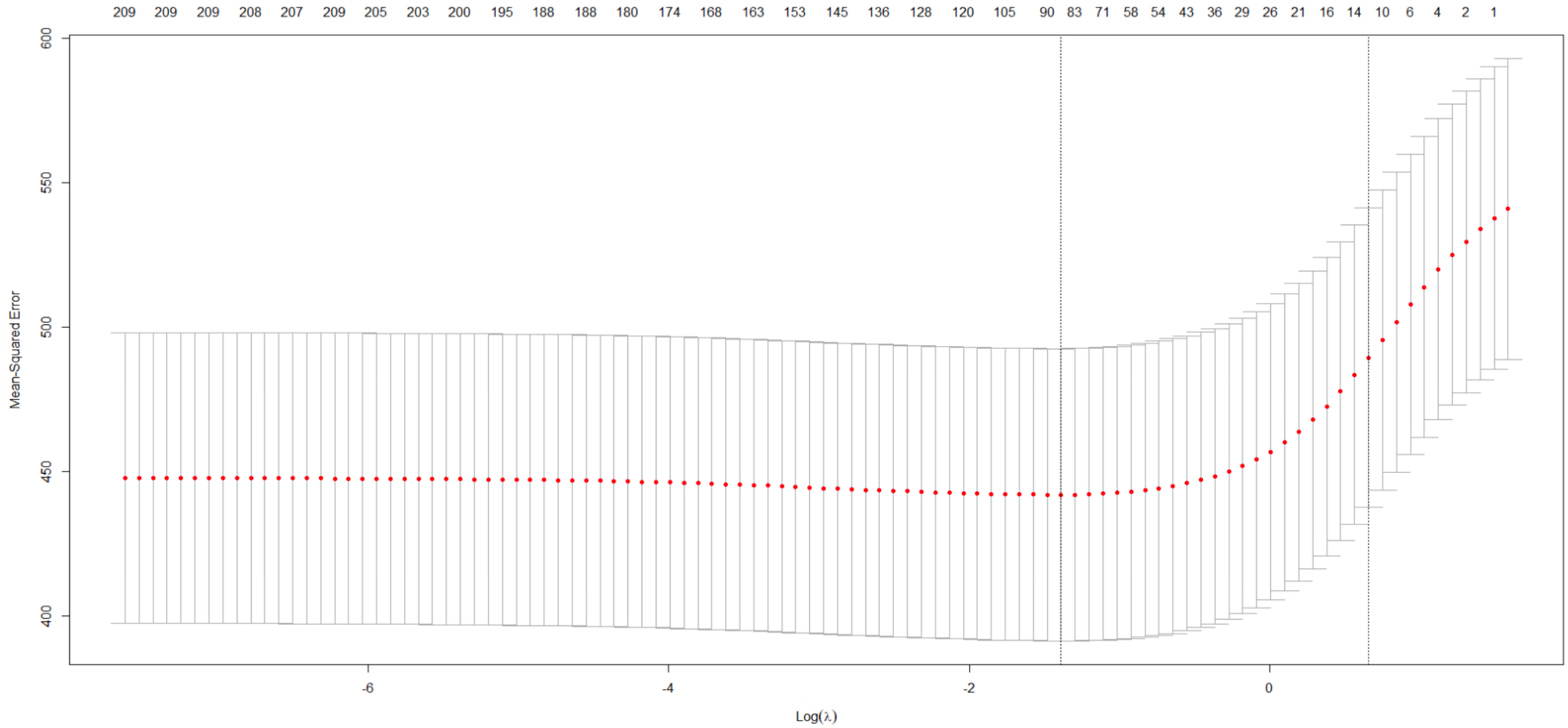
Lambda in relations to the coefficients



Goodness of fit



== Elastic-net model fit-in: $\alpha=0.5$, choose the tuning parameter λ



The best λ value that minimizes the test MSE: 0.249725.

Elastic-net model coefficient and forecasting accuracy

Intercept: 21.1424

Variable	Coefficient	Variable	Coefficient
(Intercept)	21.1424	welshincident	0.1302
welshresident	0.0060	welshhospital	3.4932
countryid	0.0000	casemtc	3.4191
mechnasim_of_injuryFall less than 2m	1.8320	mechnasim_of_injuryVehicle incident/collision	-0.1335
injury_typePenetrating	-1.1841	locationHome	2.6084
locationIndustrial	-0.0377	locationInstitution	0.0534
locationMountain	-0.0196	locationRoad	-0.0495
highest_dgree_of_attendantParamedic	0.4358	age13-18	-5.5660
age19-64	-4.0895	age4-12	-3.2629
age75-79	0.4906	ageover_80s	3.9858
ed_most_senior_doctor_datetimesunday	-0.0144	first_doctor_see_patientsConsultant	-0.0455
first_doctor_see_patients_datetimesuesday	0.0574	nice_headinjury_cretriaYes	1.8266
total_ed_intubvent	0.8956	totalnumbers_of_operations	4.5578
type_of_transferTransfer Out	1.4091	spine	1.4369
pelvis	1.3191	most_severeChest	-0.7630
most_severeFace	-1.5028	ward1Cardiothoracic	-0.8656
ward1Emergency Admissions Unit (EAU)	-1.0023	ward1Geriatric	1.6497
ward1Level 3	1.8368	ward1Level 4	16.4339
ward1Maxillofacial	-0.0695	ward1Orthopaedic (inc. paediatric)	1.3335
ward1Spinal injuries unit	4.9603	ward1Surgical ward (inc. paediatric)	-0.0256
ward2Cardiothoracic	-0.1750	ward2Geriatric	17.3647
ward2Level 2	-0.2789	ward2Level 3	1.5933
ward2Maxillofacial	-0.4080	ward2Medical ward (inc. Pallative care)	5.3774
ward2Neurosurgical rehabilitation ward	5.0889	ward2Neurosurgical ward	7.5630
ward2no_admission	-2.8426	ward2Orthopaedic (inc. paediatric)	1.2598
ward2Spinal injuries unit	5.5021	ward2Surgical ward (inc. paediatric)	-0.0392
ward3Geriatric	28.9209	ward3Level 3	0.6762
ward3Medical ward (inc. Pallative care)	2.0958	ward3Neurosurgical rehabilitation ward	3.8134
ward3Neurosurgical ward	9.9236	ward3no_admission	-9.8171
ward3Spinal injuries unit	4.9850	iss	0.0993
ps14	-0.0553	status_of_dischargeDead	-0.3480
casedied	-11.9319	caseknownoutcome	0.3416
ed_pulse	0.0111	ed_resp_rate	0.0016

66 out of 214 variables with non-zero coefficients



Included features

- welsh_resident
- welsh_incident
- welsh_hospital
- casemtc
- location
- highest_degree_of_attendent
- age
- time for first_doctor_see_patients
- type of transfer
- ward type
- most_sever injury
- status of discharge
- nice_head_injury_cretria
- ed_pulse
- ed_resp_rate
- ps14

Revised-Elastic-net model: choose the tuning parameter α & λ

- Tune Length= 10 ($\alpha \sim (0.1-1)$)

alpha	lambda	RMSE	Rsquared	MAE
0.1	0.002272555	20.40848	0.19019952	11.51178
0.1	0.005249897	20.40828	0.19020938	11.51155
0.1	0.012127944	20.40360	0.19046074	11.50692
0.1	0.028017123	20.39525	0.19091230	11.49798
0.1	0.064723189	20.38304	0.19151337	11.48183
0.1	0.149518960	20.36339	0.19245845	11.45094
0.1	0.345408190	20.33077	0.19407586	11.39398
0.1	0.797937719	20.30316	0.19539403	11.31600
0.1	1.843339624	20.31361	0.19539691	11.26119
0.1	4.258353613	20.46778	0.19161455	11.35845
0.2	0.002272555	20.40900	0.19018402	11.51193
0.2	0.005249897	20.40544	0.19037503	11.50886
0.2	0.012127944	20.39907	0.19072218	11.50208
0.2	0.028017123	20.38822	0.19128934	11.48900
0.2	0.064723189	20.37177	0.19209747	11.46385
0.2	0.149518960	20.34106	0.19369168	11.41593
0.2	0.345408190	20.30620	0.19546250	11.33782
0.2	0.797937719	20.29808	0.19589803	11.26577
0.2	1.843339624	20.38865	0.19248992	11.29304
0.2	4.258353613	20.76912	0.17923987	11.63437
0.3	0.002272555	20.40805	0.19023228	11.51101
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1.0	0.002272555	20.40205	0.19055932	11.50474
1.0	0.005249897	20.39221	0.19110184	11.49369
1.0	0.012127944	20.37741	0.19185900	11.47248
1.0	0.028017123	20.34850	0.19340751	11.43016
1.0	0.064723189	20.30983	0.19551112	11.35538
1.0	0.149518960	20.28919	0.19654588	11.27234
1.0	0.345408190	20.35378	0.19293487	11.26665
1.0	0.797937719	20.63470	0.17980237	11.48895
1.0	1.843339624	21.51360	0.12552102	12.35212
1.0	4.258353613	22.44415	0.05091961	13.26945

- RMSE** was used to select the optimal model using the smallest value

The final used for the model was $\alpha=1$ and $\lambda = 0.149519$

Revised Elastic-net model coefficient and forecasting accuracy

Intercept: 7.038

(Intercept)	7.038	welshincident	0.694
welshresident	0.555	welshhospital	3.632
countryid	0.233	mtc	2.256
casemtc	1.920	incident_dateSaturday	0.457
mechnasim_of_injuryFall less than 2m	1.627	mechnasim_of_injuryOther	0.809
injury_typePenetrating	-1.903	locationFarm	-1.462
locationHome	2.276	locationIndustrial	-1.969
locationInstitution	1.226	locationMountain	-2.571
locationOther	0.360	locationOther Home (not patient's)	0.448
locationRoad	-0.746	locationWater	-0.273
arrival_modeHelicopter	-0.073	arrival_modeOther	-1.378
highest_dgree_of_attendantFY / Other	7.761	highest_dgree_of_attendantNo grade recorded	-0.471
highest_dgree_of_attendantParamedic	0.956	highest_dgree_of_attendantST_4+	-1.738
age13-18	-7.102	age19-64	-4.303
age4-12	-6.460	age75-79	1.687
ageover_80s	4.584	prealertYes	-0.280
ed_most_senior_doctorOther	0.289	ed_most_senior_doctorST_year unknown	0.006
ed_most_senior_doctor_datetimeSunday	-0.426	ed_most_senior_doctor_datetimeWednesday	0.118
first_doctor_see_patientsConsultant	-0.320	first_doctor_see_patientsST_3+	0.350
first_doctor_see_patients_datetimeTuesday	0.923	nice_headinjury_cretriaYes	2.868
gcs	-0.019	total_ed_intubvent	1.334
numbers_of_operations1	-1.213	totalnumbers_of_operations	5.076
type_of_transferTransfer Out	7.921	face	-0.111
abdomen	-0.146	spine	1.675
pelvis	1.398	limbs	0.105
most_severeChest	-0.367	most_severeFace	-2.305
most_severeLimbs	0.711	ward1Cardiothoracic	-1.914
ward1Coronary Care Unit (CCU)	-1.416	ward1Emergency Admissions Unit (EAU)	-1.991
ward1Geriatric	5.257	ward1Level 3	2.825
ward1Level 4	29.234	ward1Maxillofacial	-0.883
ward1Medical ward (inc. Pallative care)	0.881	ward1no_admission	-0.084
ward1Orthopaedic (inc. paediatric)	2.711	ward1Spinal injuries unit	7.226
ward2Cardiothoracic	-1.590	ward2Emergency Admissions Unit (EAU)	-5.556
ward2General acute (inc. paediatric)	2.428	ward2Geriatric	19.503
ward2Level 2	-2.651	ward2Level 3	4.001
ward2Level 3s	4.616	ward2Major trauma ward	2.895
ward2Maxillofacial	-3.242	ward2Medical ward (inc. Pallative care)	7.576

Included features
welsh_resident
welsh_incident
welsh_hospital
casemtc
location
highest_degree_of_attendent
age
time for first_doctor_see_patients
type of transfer
ward type
most_sever injury
status of discharge
nice_head_injury_cretria
ed_pulse
ed_resp_rate
Ps14
case_known outcome
known outcome
prehospital_pulse
patient-arrival_time
txa_location
AIS maximum severity in Abdomen
gcs
arrival_mode
prealert

110 out of 214 variables with non-zero coefficients

— Evaluation of the model performance

Model	Rsquared	RMSE_values
Linear Regression	0.1686	21.1628
Ridge Regression	0.1857	20.9433
Lasso Regression	0.1817	20.9957
Elastic Regression	0.1825	20.9846
Elastic Regression_r1	0.1965	21.8642



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Loss of some important time interval feature

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Plenty of outliers brings high difficulty in fit-in the forecasting model

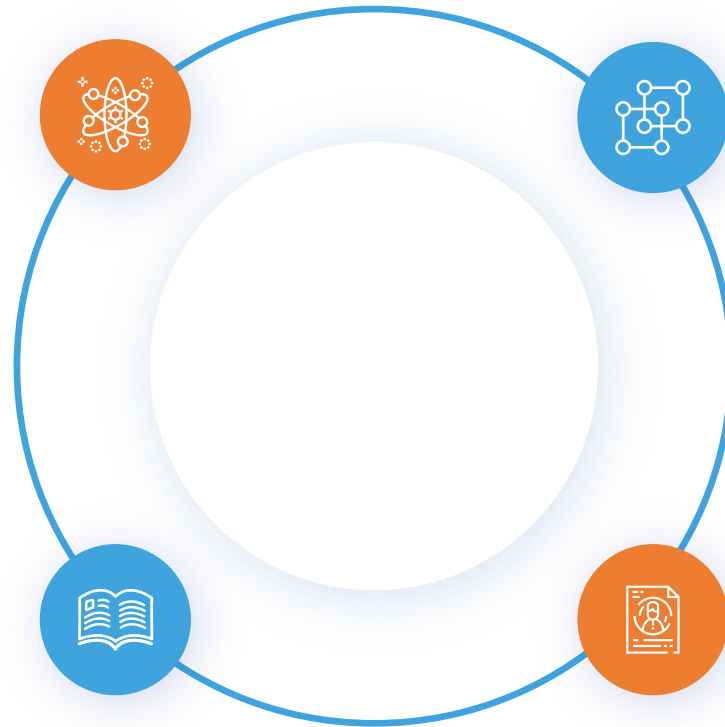
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Poor performance of the set of regularization forecasting model

Future research perspective

Acquire the latest dataset with complete time interval features for the modification of the forecasting model

A further literature review for identify length of stay forecasting predictors and methodologies



Explore other forecasting methodologies (GAM, deep learning)

Consider the impact of capacity variable (utilization of the medical resources) to the length of stay forecasting

Thank you for your
listening

ANY QUESTIONS

