## Homework 8 MTH 3270 Data Science Due Mon., Apr. 20

| Read These Chapters of the Book | Then Do These Exercises                       |
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| Appendix E                      | E.2*  |
| 8                               | 8.1 (just do decision tree, random forest,    |
|                                 | and $k$ -NN), 8.3 (just decision tree, random |
|                                 | forest, and $k$ -NN)                          |

## \* For Problem E.2:

• Look at the help page for the HELPrct data:

```
library(mdsr)  # Contains the HELPrct data set
? HELPrct
```

- The response variable, homeless, is dichotomous (takes only two values), so a (multiple-explanatory variable) *logistic regression* analysis is appropriate.
- **Don't** use any of the *categorical* variables (*factors*) as explanatory variables in the model.

To find out which ones are are *numeric* (or *integer*) and which are categorical (*factors*), type:

str(HELPrct)

To select just the numerical variables from HELPrct (and the homeless variable) and store them as, say, my.data, type:

```
library(dplyr)  # Contains the select_if() function
my.data <- HELPrct %>% select_if(is.numeric) %>%
mutate(homeless = HELPrct$homeless) %>%
select(homeless, everything())
```

An example of fitting a (two-explanatory variable) **logistic regression model** is: