



Health Analytics Project

# Stroke Prediction: Early prediction and intervention

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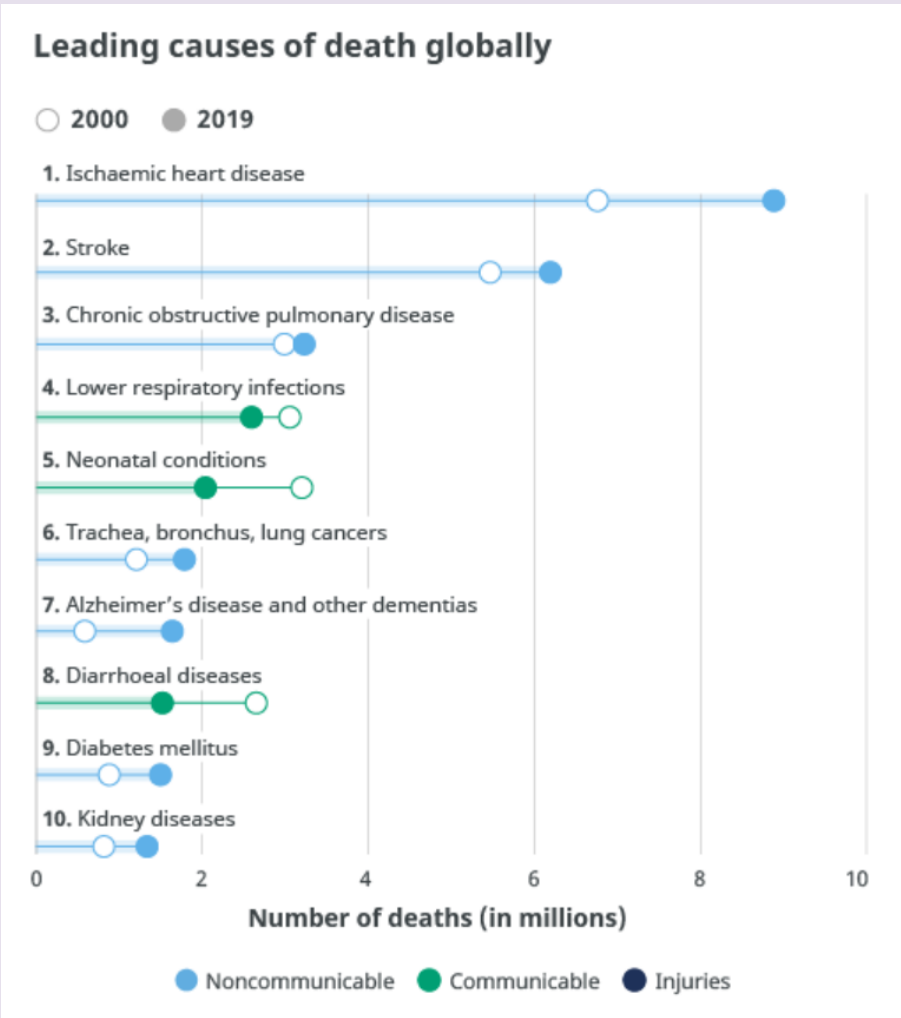
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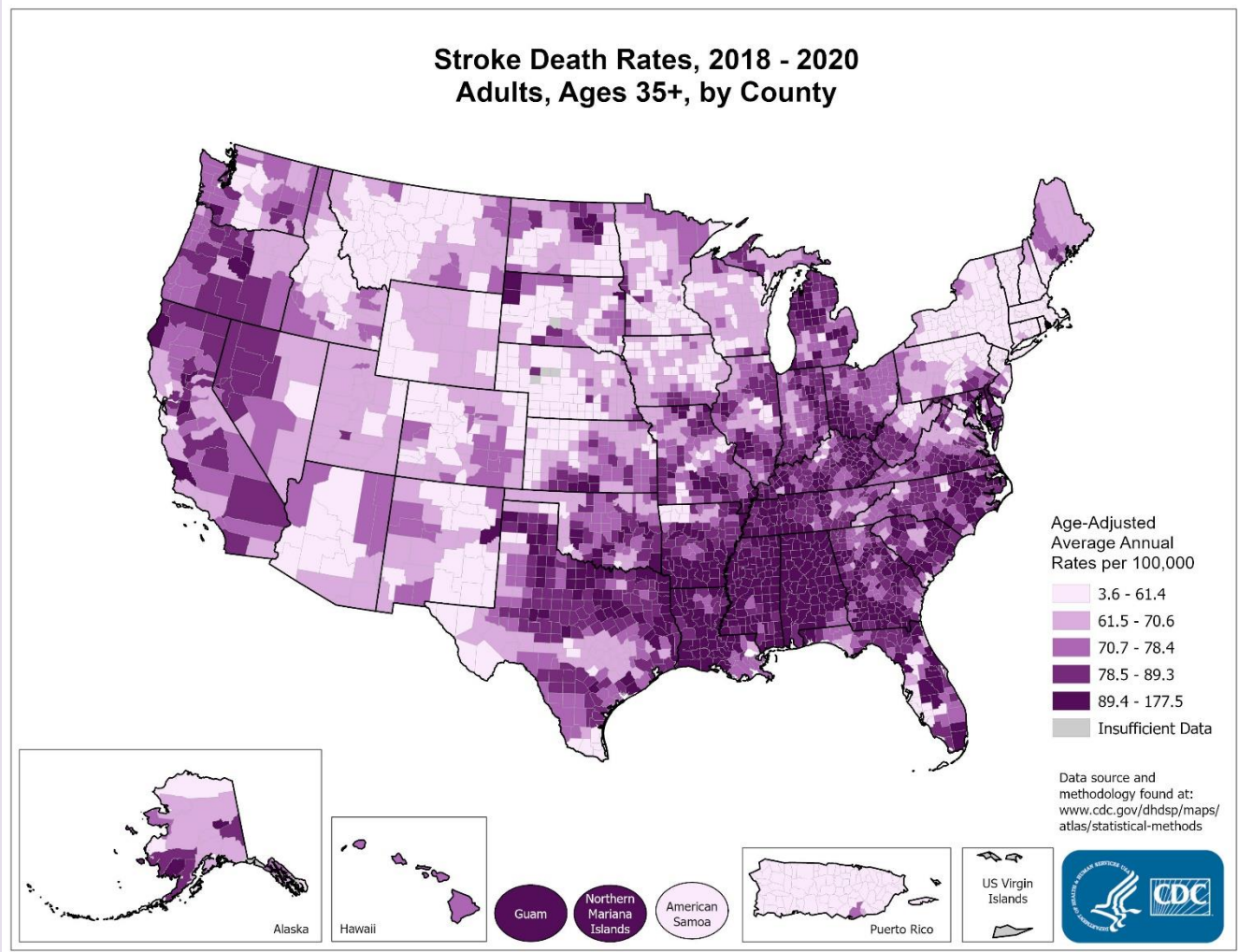
# Problem Statement

- According to the World Health Organization (WHO), stroke is the 2nd leading cause of death globally, responsible for approximately 11% of total deaths.

## Disease Ranking



## Geographical Distribution – The Stroke Belt



# Assumptions & Hypotheses about Data

## Assumptions

**No multicollinearity among independent variables**

**Large sample size to predict properly**

**Logistic Regression: Lack of strongly influential outliers**

**Random Forest: Data is distributed normally**

## Classification Models

**1**

KNN

**2**

Logistic Regression

**3**

Random Forest



# Exploratory Data Analysis

## Data Overview 1 – Feature Information

### Stroke Prediction Dataset


#### Attribute Information

- 1) id: unique identifier
- 2) gender: "Male", "Female" or "Other"
- 3) age: age of the patient
- 4) hypertension: 0 if the patient doesn't have hypertension, 1 if the patient has hypertension
- 5) heart\_disease: 0 if the patient doesn't have any heart diseases, 1 if the patient has a heart disease
- 6) ever\_married: "No" or "Yes"
- 7) work\_type: "children", "Govt\_jov", "Never\_worked", "Private" or "Self-employed"
- 8) Residence\_type: "Rural" or "Urban"
- 9) avg\_glucose\_level: average glucose level in blood
- 10) bmi: body mass index
- 11) smoking\_status: "formerly smoked", "never smoked", "smokes" or "Unknown"\*
- 12) stroke: 1 if the patient had a stroke or 0 if not

\*Note: "Unknown" in smoking\_status means that the information is unavailable for this patient

### Data Profile

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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 5110 entries, 0 to 5109
Data columns (total 12 columns):
#   Column                Non-Null Count  Dtype
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0   id                    5110 non-null   int64
1   gender                5110 non-null   object
2   age                   5110 non-null   float64
3   hypertension          5110 non-null   int64
4   heart_disease         5110 non-null   int64
5   ever_married          5110 non-null   object
6   work_type             5110 non-null   object
7   Residence_type        5110 non-null   object
8   avg_glucose_level     5110 non-null   float64
9   bmi                   4909 non-null   float64
10  smoking_status        5110 non-null   object
11  stroke                5110 non-null   int64
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memory usage: 479.2+ KB
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- 1 key column
- 3 numeric columnn
- 8 categorical columns

# Exploratory Data Analysis

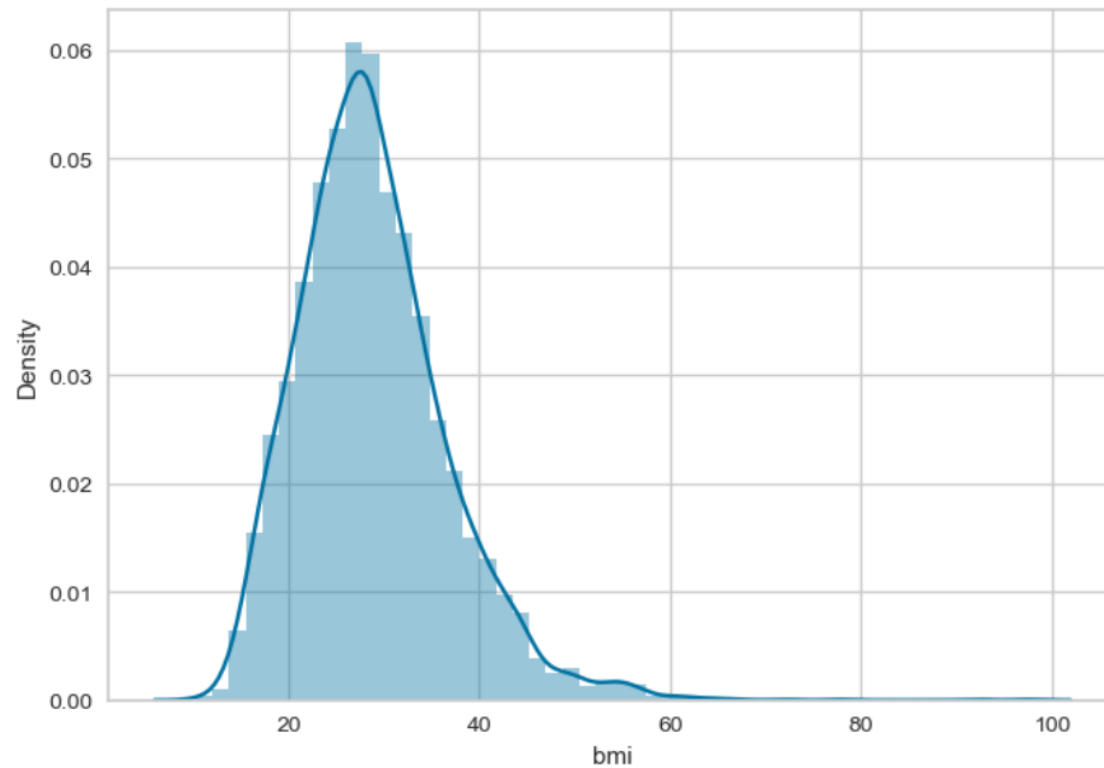
## Data Overview 2 - Data Engineering - Interpolate

### Interpolate Result

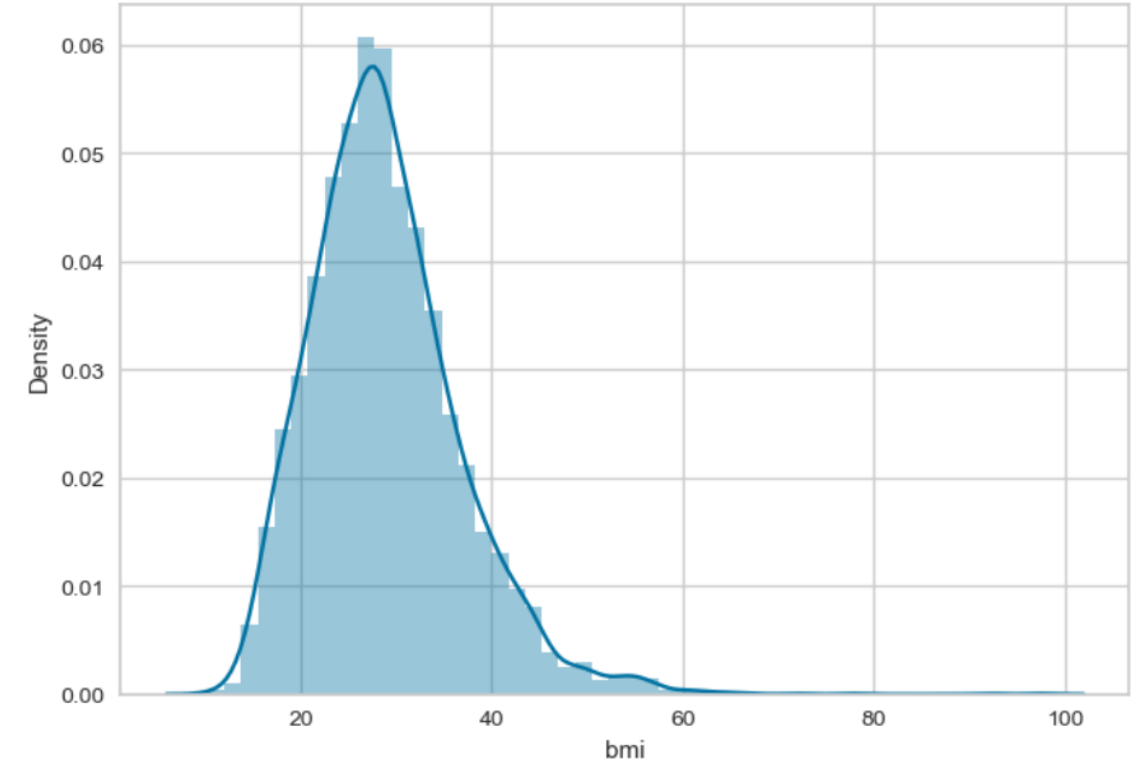
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print("mean change: " + str(28.92728 - 28.893237))  
print("std change: " + str(7.77531 - 7.854067))  
  
# good interpolation result  
  
mean change: 0.034043000000000049  
std change: -0.078756999999999952
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- Negligible change in mean and standard deviation
- Maintain distribution shape

### BMI before interpolate



### BMI after interpolate



# Exploratory Data Analysis

## Data Overview 3 – Statistics, Correlation & Heatmap

### Data Summary Statistics

	count	mean	std	min	25%	50%	75%	max
id	5110.0	36517.829354	21161.721625	67.00	17741.250	36932.000	54682.00	72940.00
age	5110.0	43.226614	22.612647	0.08	25.000	45.000	61.00	82.00
hypertension	5110.0	0.097456	0.296607	0.00	0.000	0.000	0.00	1.00
heart_disease	5110.0	0.054012	0.226063	0.00	0.000	0.000	0.00	1.00
avg_glucose_level	5110.0	106.147677	45.283560	55.12	77.245	91.885	114.09	271.74
bmi	5110.0	28.927280	7.775310	10.30	23.600	28.100	33.10	97.60
stroke	5110.0	0.048728	0.215320	0.00	0.000	0.000	0.00	1.00

### correlation table

	id	age	hypertension	heart_disease	avg_glucose_level	bmi	stroke
id	1.000000	0.003538	0.003550	-0.001296	0.001092	0.000925	0.006388
age	0.003538	1.000000	0.276398	0.263796	0.238171	0.321631	0.245257
hypertension	0.003550	0.276398	1.000000	0.108306	0.174474	0.149985	0.127904
heart_disease	-0.001296	0.263796	0.108306	1.000000	0.161857	0.044599	0.134914
avg_glucose_level	0.001092	0.238171	0.174474	0.161857	1.000000	0.168539	0.131945
bmi	0.000925	0.321631	0.149985	0.044599	0.168539	1.000000	0.047351
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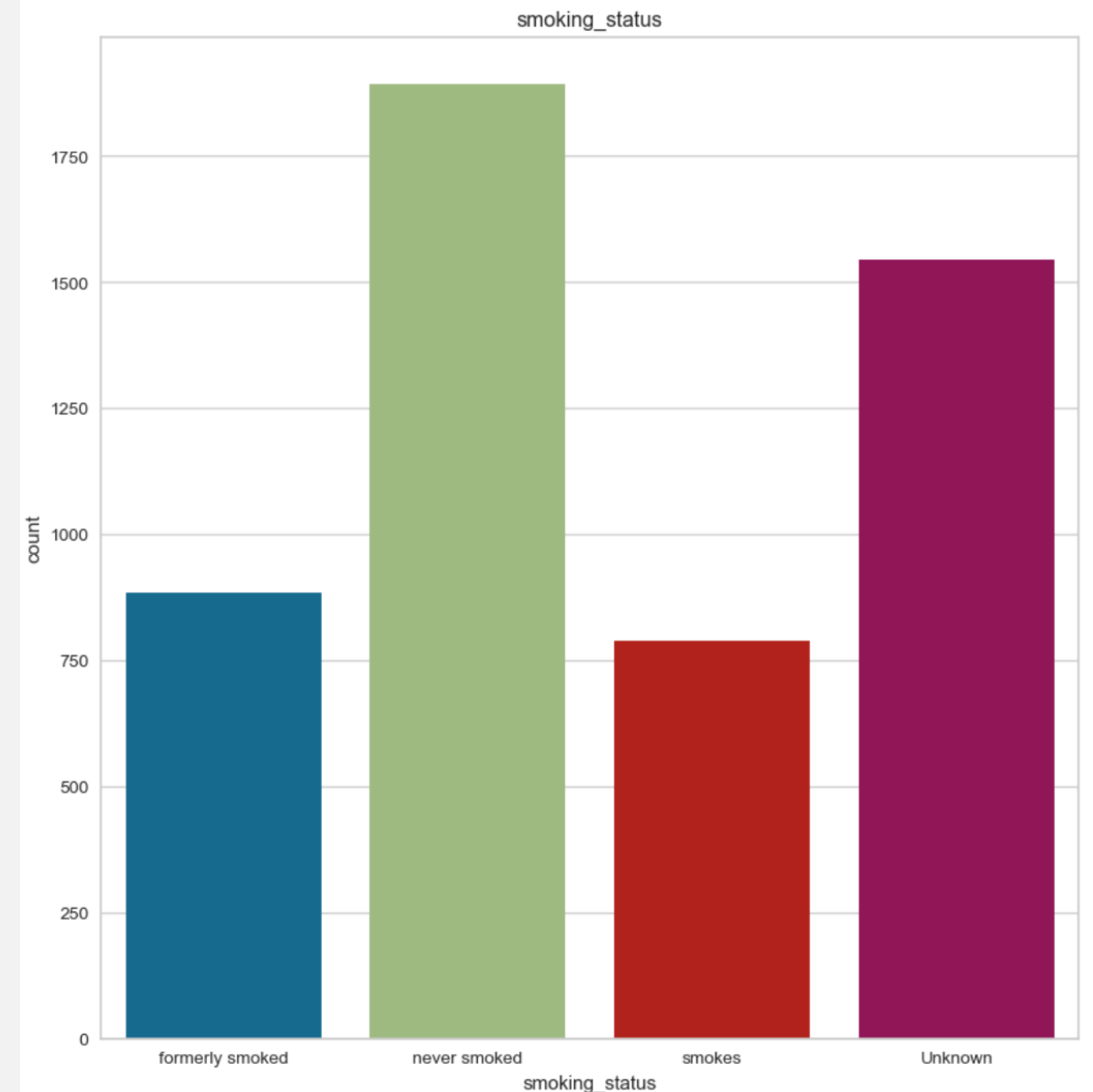
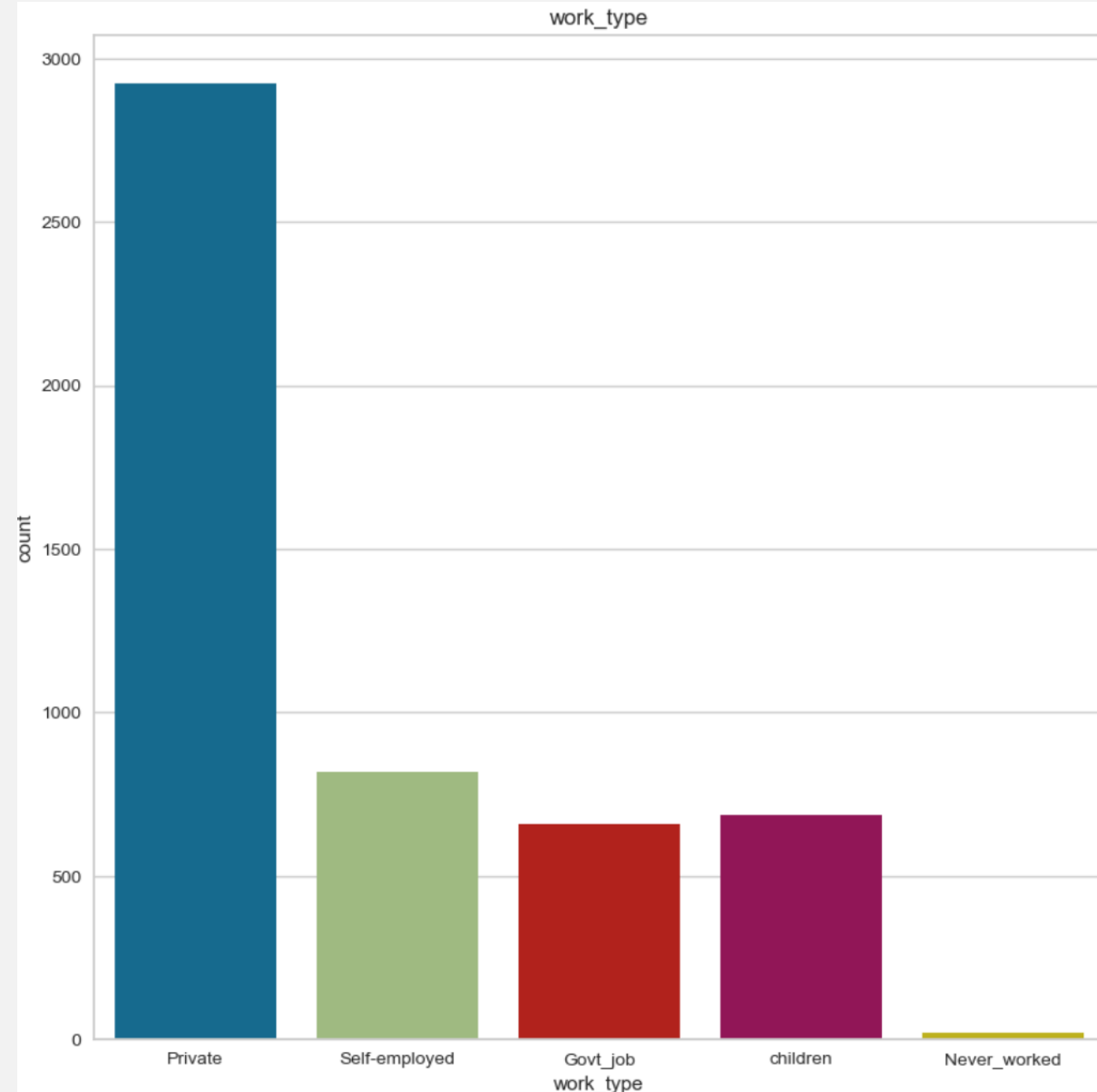
### Heatmap



- Age & Stroke

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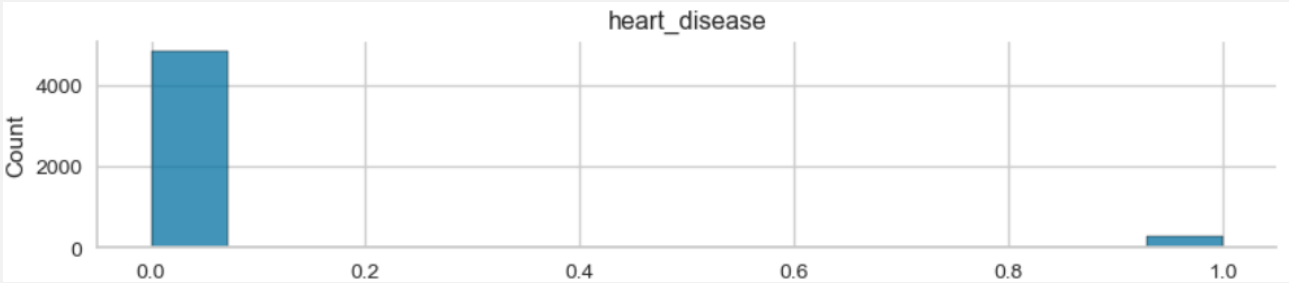
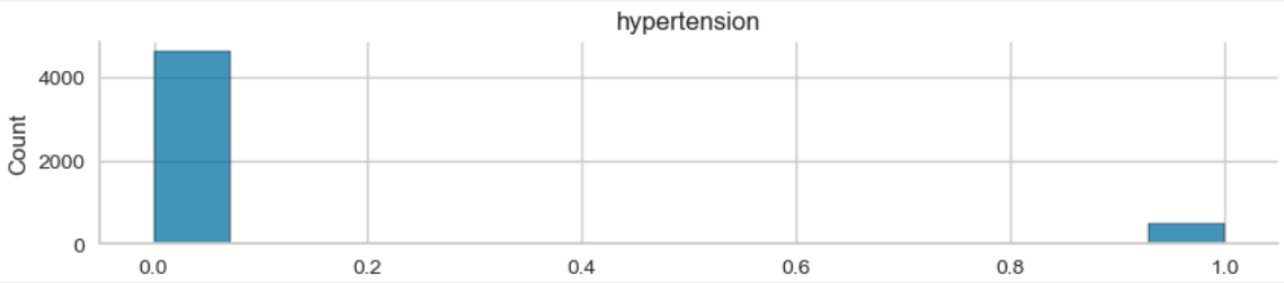
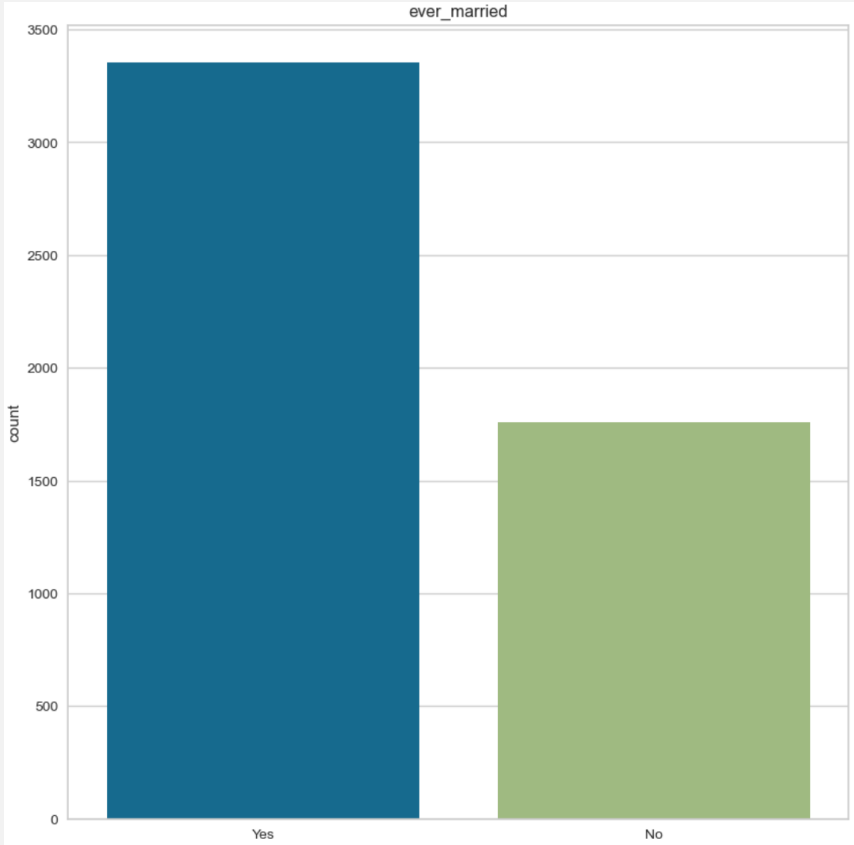
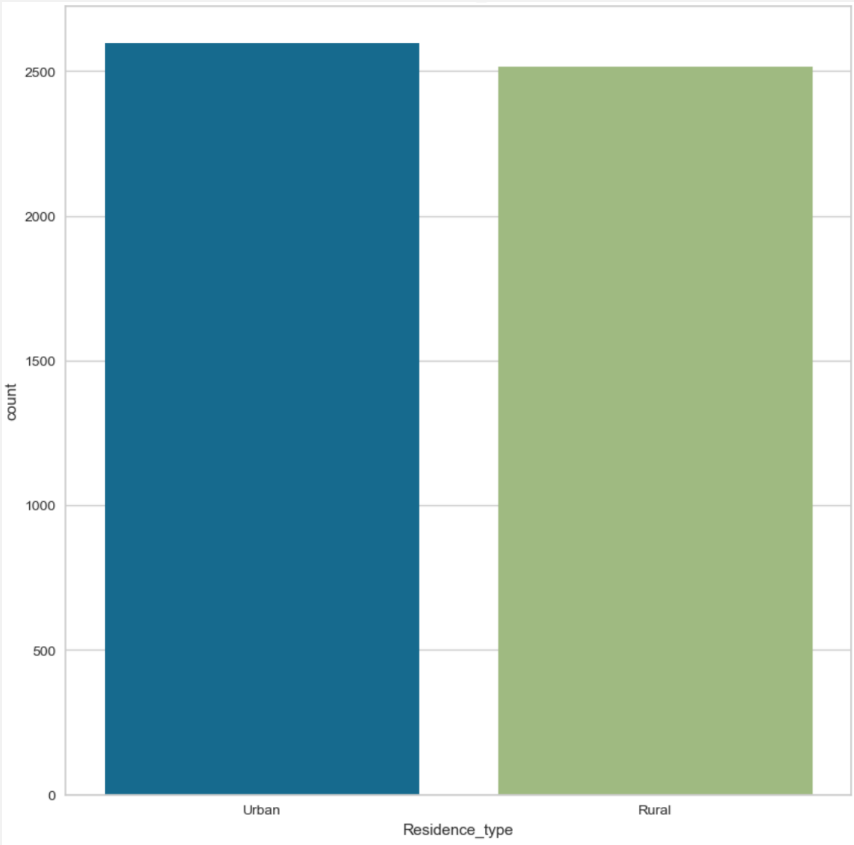
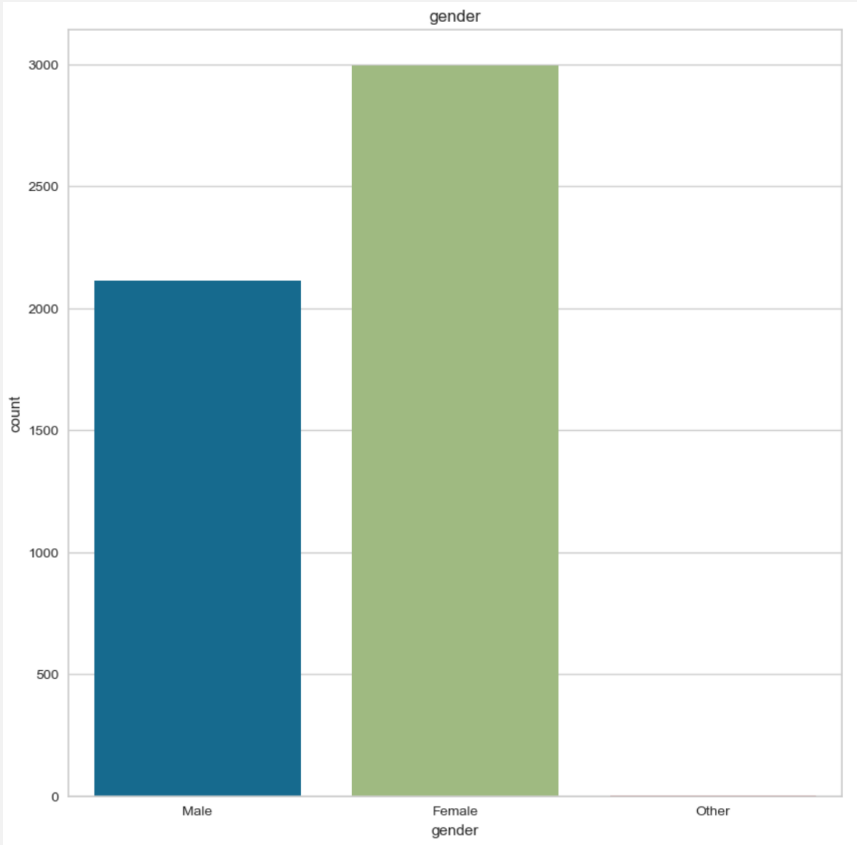
## Data Visualization 1 – Multiple Categories





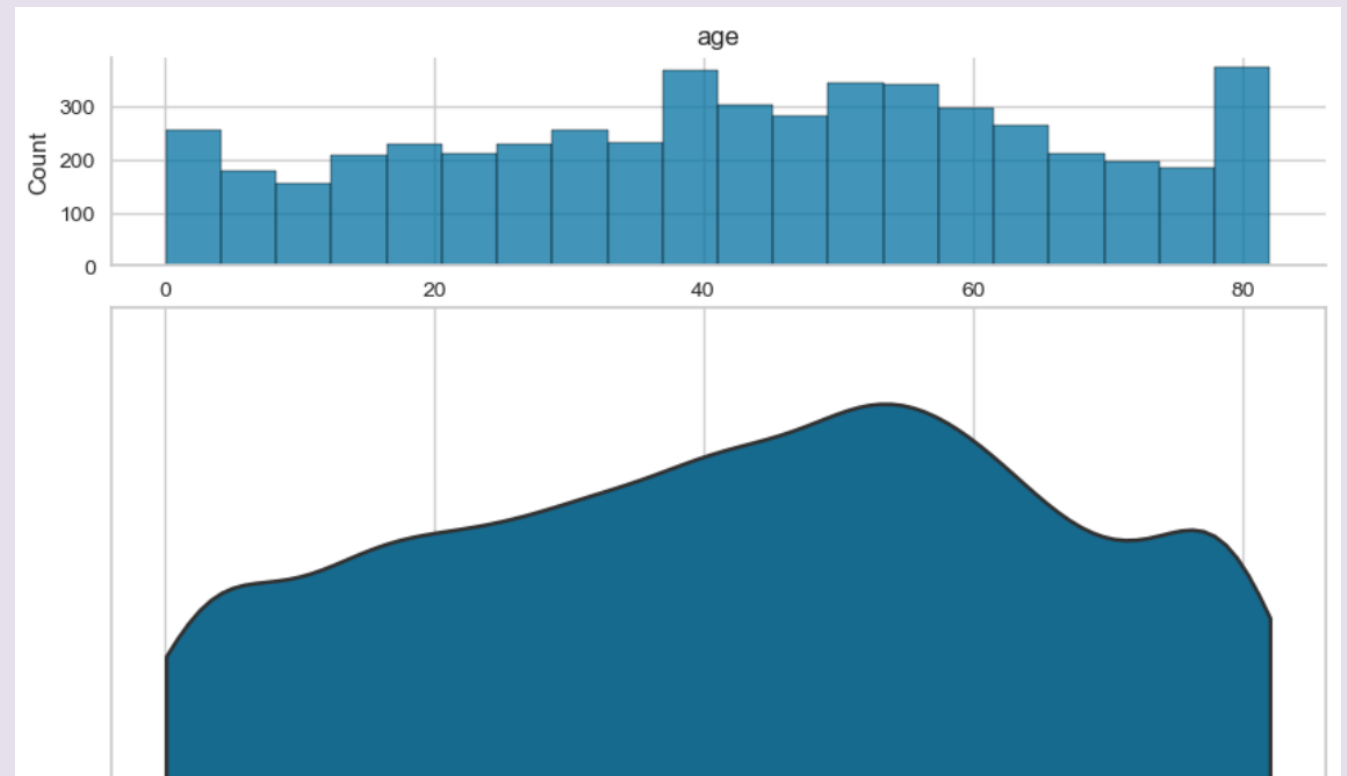
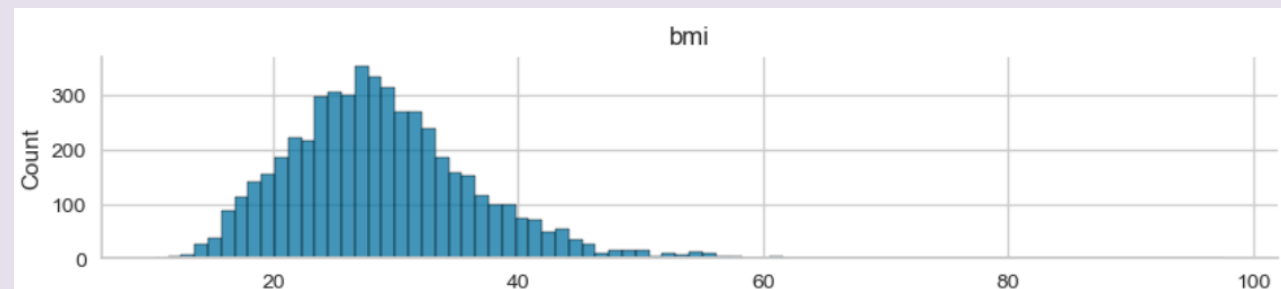
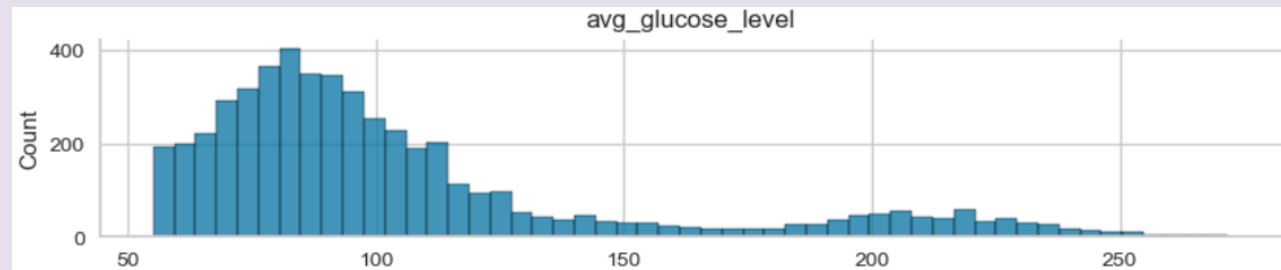
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## Data Visualization 2 – Binary Categorical Column



# Exploratory Data Analysis

## Data Visualization 3 – Numerical columns

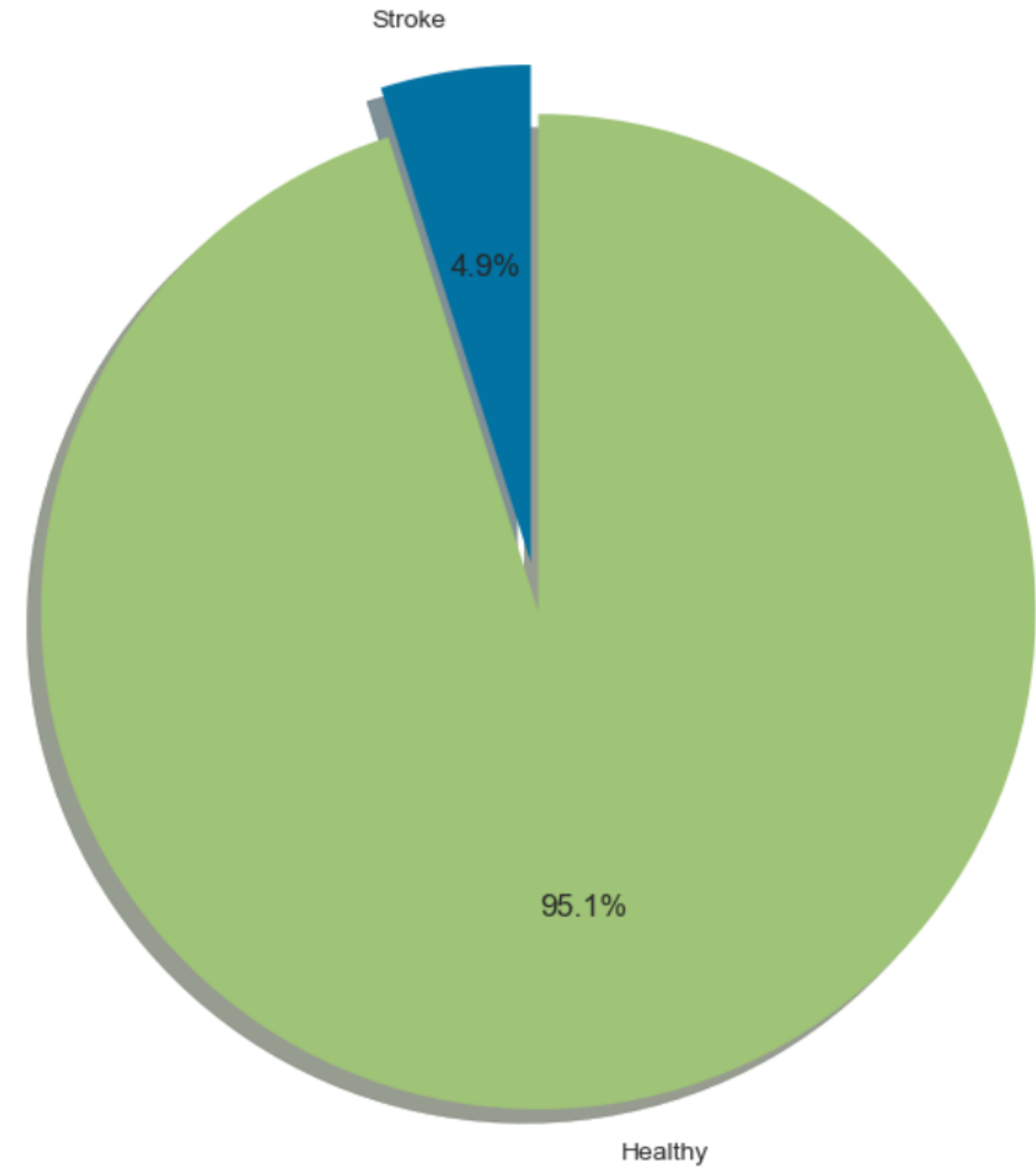


# Exploratory Data Analysis

## Data Visualization 4 – target variable

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- Only 4.9% patient have stroke disease
- Stroke proportion highly imbalance



# Survey of Existing Solution

## Stroke Prediction Kaggle Project Using Same Dataset

### Reason:

- 4.9% stroke cases are not captured evenly in both training set and test set.
- The model is not learning the pattern effectively for stroke cases.

### Model Results:

- High Accuracy (94%)
- High precision & recall for non-stroke cases
- No precision & recall for stroke cases

### Logistic Regression

Confusion Matrix :

```
[[929  0]
 [ 53  0]]
```

Classification Report :

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.95	1.00	0.97	929
1	0.00	0.00	0.00	53
accuracy			0.95	982
macro avg	0.47	0.50	0.49	982
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The Accuracy of Logistic Regression is 94.6 %

### Random Forest

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# Feature Engineering

## Normalization

- Original DataFrame

	id	gender	age	hypertension	heart_disease	ever_married	work_type	Residence_type	avg_glucose_level	bmi	smoking_status	stroke
0	9046	Male	67.0	0	1	Yes	Private	Urban	228.69	36.60	formerly smoked	1
1	51676	Female	61.0	0	0	Yes	Self-employed	Rural	202.21	34.55	never smoked	1
2	31112	Male	80.0	0	1	Yes	Private	Rural	105.92	32.50	never smoked	1
3	60182	Female	49.0	0	0	Yes	Private	Urban	171.23	34.40	smokes	1
4	1665	Female	79.0	1	0	Yes	Self-employed	Rural	174.12	24.00	never smoked	1

- Standard scaler: Normalized **age**, **avg\_glucose\_level** and **bmi**.

	id	gender	age	hypertension	heart_disease	ever_married	work_type	Residence_type	avg_glucose_level	bmi	smoking_status	stroke
0	9046	Male	1.051434	0	1	Yes	Private	Urban	2.706375	0.986902	formerly smoked	1
1	51676	Female	0.786070	0	0	Yes	Self-employed	Rural	2.121559	0.723221	never smoked	1
2	31112	Male	1.626390	0	1	Yes	Private	Rural	-0.005028	0.459540	never smoked	1
3	60182	Female	0.255342	0	0	Yes	Private	Urban	1.437358	0.703928	smokes	1
4	1665	Female	1.582163	1	0	Yes	Self-employed	Rural	1.501184	-0.633770	never smoked	1



# Feature Engineering

## Feature Creation & Transformations

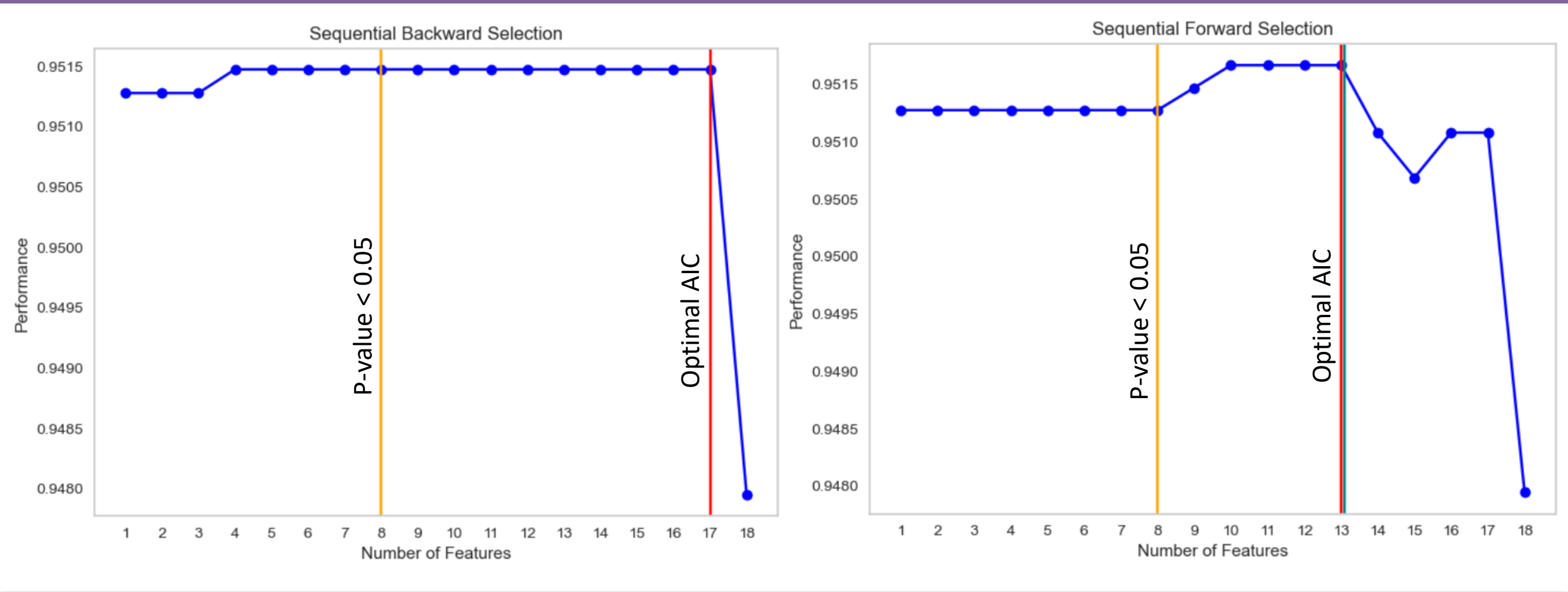
- Convert categorical features to binary numeric columns

	Data Type	Nulls	Zeros	Min	Median	Max	Mean	Standard Deviation	Unique	Top Frequency
id	int64	0	0	67	36932	72940	36517.83	21159.65	5110	1
age	float64	0	0	-2	0.078	1.71	0.000000000000000050	1.00	104	102
hypertension	int64	0	0	0	0	1	0.097	0.30	2	4612
heart_disease	int64	0	0	0	0	1	0.054	0.23	2	4834
avg_glucose_level	float64	0	0	-1	-0	3.66	0.000000000000000010	1	3979	6
bmi	float64	0	0	-2	-0	8.83	0.000000000000000025	1	520	41
stroke	int64	0	0	0	0	1	0.049	0.22	2	4861
male	int64	0	0	0	0	1	0.41	0.49	2	2995
married	int64	0	0	0	1	1	0.66	0.47	2	3353
private	int64	0	0	0	1	1	0.57	0.49	2	2925
self_employed	int64	0	0	0	0	1	0.16	0.37	2	4291
children	int64	0	0	0	0	1	0.13	0.34	2	4423
govt_job	int64	0	0	0	0	1	0.13	0.33	2	4453
never_worked	int64	0	0	0	0	1	0.0043	0.065	2	5088
urban	int64	0	0	0	1	1	0.51	0.50	2	2596
never_smoked	int64	0	0	0	0	1	0.37	0.48	2	3218
formerly_smoked	int64	0	0	0	0	1	0.17	0.38	2	4225
smokes	int64	0	0	0	0	1	0.15	0.36	2	4321
unknown_smoke	int64	0	0	0	0	1	0.30	0.46	2	3566

# Feature Engineering

## Feature Selection: Backward vs. Forward (Joint predictive ability)

Choose 15 features for trade-off between p-values and maximum AIC



## Explanatory Variables

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 5110 entries, 9046 to 44679
Data columns (total 15 columns):
#   Column                Non-Null Count  Dtype
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0   age                   5110 non-null   float64
1   heart_disease         5110 non-null   int64
2   avg_glucose_level     5110 non-null   float64
3   hypertension          5110 non-null   int64
4   married               5110 non-null   int64
5   formerly_smoked       5110 non-null   int64
6   self_employed         5110 non-null   int64
7   bmi                   5110 non-null   float64
8   urban                 5110 non-null   int64
9   private               5110 non-null   int64
10  male                  5110 non-null   int64
11  smokes                5110 non-null   int64
12  govt_job              5110 non-null   int64
13  never_smoked          5110 non-null   int64
14  unknown_smoke         5110 non-null   int64
dtypes: float64(3), int64(12)
memory usage: 638.8 KB
```

## Response Variable

```
<class 'pandas.core.series.Series'>
Int64Index: 5110 entries, 9046 to 44679
Series name: stroke
Non-Null Count  Dtype
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5110 non-null   int64
dtypes: int64(1)
memory usage: 79.8 KB
```

# Analytical Models

Model Selection	Reasons
Logistic Regression	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Easy to implement, interpret, and very efficient to train</li></ul>
Random Forest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Aggregate many decision trees to limit overfitting as well as error due to bias</li><li>• Robust to outliers and less affected by noise</li></ul>
KNN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No assumptions about data</li></ul>

# Proposed Solution and Model Selection

Classification Report, Confusion Matrix, roc\_auc\_score, recall\_score, brier score

brier1_KNN	brier1_LogisticRegression	brier_RandomForest
0.046036	0.040782	0.043324

$$Recall = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

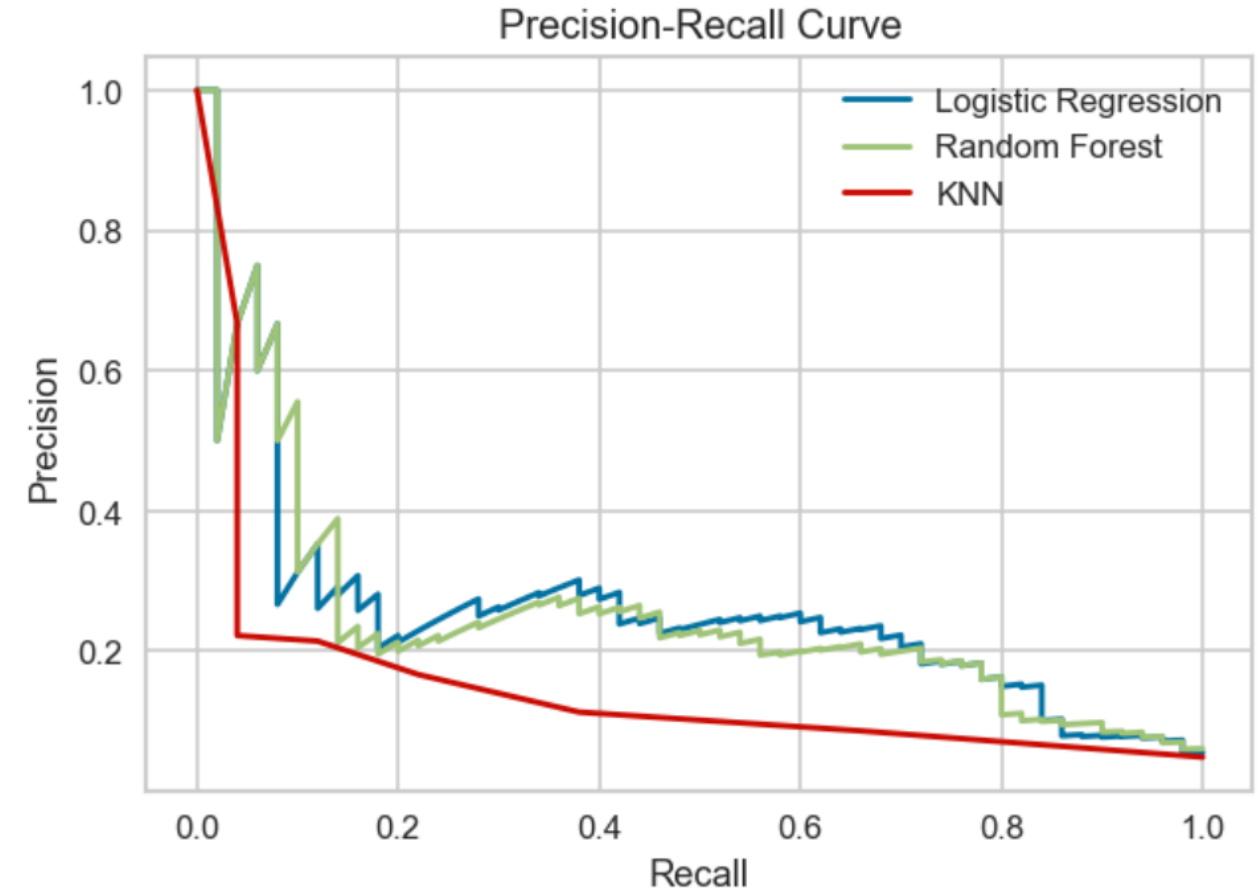
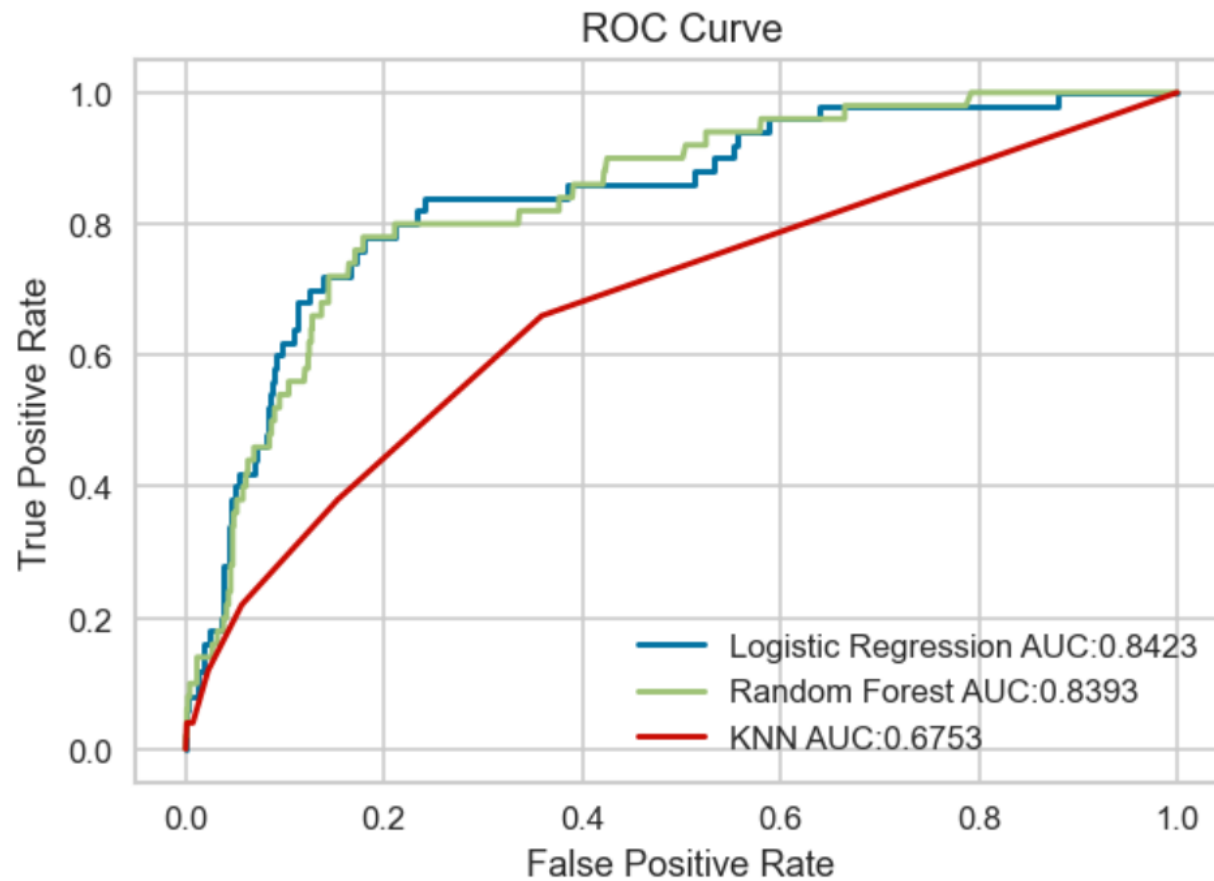
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## Proposed Solution and Model Selection

Logistic regression model is the best-performing model

- Roc-Auc Curve
- Precision-Recall Curve





# Proposed Solution and Model Selection

## Logistic Regression model

- Highest AOC-ROC performance: 0.84
- Highest F1 score
- Relatively high precision and recall trade-off
- Lowest brier score: 0.04

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roc\_auc\_score for LR Model:

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recall\_score for LR Model:

0.72

$$Recall = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

# Model Performance Expectation for New Population Cohort

Can this model be used out-of-the-box for a new population cohort and why?

## Reason 1

**Train-test-split stratified** will adjust proportion of stroke cases in train and test accordingly and automatically.

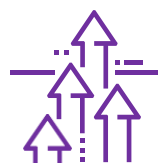
## Reason 2

**High recall** on stroke cases give model great generalization ability on detecting potential stroke cases.

## Reason 3

**y\_pred probability threshold** test out the most appropriate cutoff for new model stroke probability.

## Strategy<sup>1</sup>



### Stratified Ratio

Train-test-split stratified will keep the same proportion of data for train dataset and test dataset



### High Recall

Higher recall minimize the false negative cases and avoid the risk of not detecting probably cases or delay treatment.



### Probability Threshold

Different probability cutoff from 0 to 1 with 0.5 as each step to test out optimal stroke probability

# Model Comparison with Existing Solution

## New Logistic Regression model:

- Higher precision-recall for stroke cases
- Higher F1 score
- Lower false negative cases

### Survey Solution

### Logistic Regression

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0	0.95	1.00	0.97	929
1	0.00	0.00	0.00	53
accuracy			0.95	982
macro avg	0.47	0.50	0.49	982
weighted avg	0.89	0.95	0.92	982

The Accuracy of Logistic Regression is 94.6 %

### New Solution

Classification Report for LR Model:

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.98	0.86	0.92	972
1	0.21	0.72	0.32	50
accuracy			0.85	1022
macro avg	0.60	0.79	0.62	1022
weighted avg	0.95	0.85	0.89	1022

Confusion Matrix for LR Model:

```
[[835 137]
 [ 14  36]]
```

roc\_auc\_score for LR Model:

0.7895267489711935

recall\_score for LR Model:

0.72

# Health Care Impact

## Stroke Prediction: Early prediction and intervention



### Early prediction

Efficiently predict the disease of a human, based on the symptoms and health history.



### Early Interventions

Act as an early risk warning for high-risk individuals and a signal to monitor the patients' health conditions.



### Medical Resources

Save medical resources and government budget by detecting disease at the early stage.



### Mortality Rate

Decrease the mortality rate of potential individuals by increasing the prevention awareness of patients and their families.

# Solution Weaknesses and Future Improvement

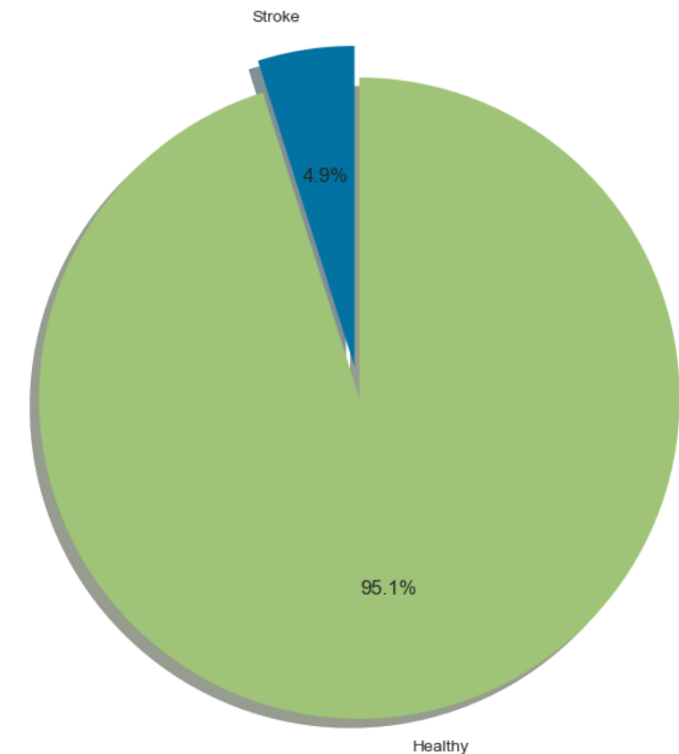
## Weakness

- Precision-recall for stroke cases not performing very ideal
- Stroke cases are too few for the model to learn

## Improvement

1. More data needed (only 4k-5k rows)
2. Very small proportion of people have stroke (5%)
3. Geographical data sampling

Stroke Proportion



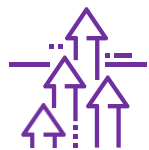


# Future Work (Other Models or Solutions)

## Data Collection



Increase data quantity and generate more data to improve model learning result.



Improve sampling of the data and include more patient sample with stroke disease.

## Data & Feature Engineering



Try out other normalization methods on numerical columns.



Transform categorical features into different categories than before by combining similar categories.

## Other models



Naive Bayes is easy to implement, highly scalable, and make real-time predictions



XGBoost works well with data that is nonlinear, non-monotonic, or with segregated clusters.



## Appendix A: Sources

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