# Supervised\_Learning\_Project-Classification

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## 1 Summary

The dataset for this project was collected from kaggle and originates from ClinVar. ClinVar is a public resource containing annotations about human genetic variants. These variants are classified by clinical laboratories on a categorical spectrum ranging from benign, likely benign, uncertain significance, likely pathogenic, and pathogenic. Variants that have conflicting classifications (from laboratory to laboratory) can cause confusion when clinicians or researchers try to interpret whether the variant has an impact on the disease of a given patient.

The objective is to predict whether a ClinVar variant will have conflicting classifications. This is presented here as a binary classification problem, where each record in the dataset is a genetic variant.

Conflicting classifications are when two of any of the following three categories are present for one variant, two submissions of one category are not considered conflicting.

- Likely Benign or Benign
- VUS
- Likely Pathogenic or Pathogenic

Conflicting classification has been assigned to the CLASS column. It is a binary representation of whether or not a variant has conflicting classifications, where **0** represents **consistent classifications** and **1** represents **conflicting classifications**.

In this project, we will employ four different classifier models to find the best candidate algorithm that accurately predicts whether a ClinVar variant will have conflicting classifications.

# 2 Exploratory Data Analysis

```
from sklearn.metrics import confusion matrix, accuracy score, u
      →classification_report, precision_score, f1_score, roc_auc_score
     from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
     from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
     from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
     from sklearn.metrics import precision recall fscore support as score
     # Mute the sklearn and IPython warnings
     import warnings
     warnings.filterwarnings('ignore', module='sklearn')
     warnings.filterwarnings('ignore', module='IPython')
[2]: data = pd.read_csv('./clinvar_conflicting.csv', sep=',')
     data.head()
                                        AF_EXAC
       CHR.OM
                              AF ESP
[2]:
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                                                                   NaN
     2 Human Phenotype Ontology: HP: 0000486, MedGen: C00...
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     3 MedGen: C1321551, OMIM: 182212, SNOMED_CT: 83092002...
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           MedGen: C1321551, OMIM: 182212, SNOMED_CT: 83092002
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        Strabismus | Nystagmus | Hypothyroidism | Intellectu... ...
     3
                Shprintzen-Goldberg_syndrome|not_provided ...
     4
                              Shprintzen-Goldberg_syndrome ...
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                                     probably_damaging
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                                                       28.100 6.061752
                                                                             -1.0
```

```
3 NaN NaN NaN 22.500 3.114491 NaN 4 NaN NaN NaN NaN 24.700 4.766224 -3.0
```

[5 rows x 46 columns]

```
[3]: data.shape
```

[3]: (65188, 46)

We have a lot more consistent than conflicting classifications.

```
[4]: data.CLASS.value_counts()
```

[4]: 0 48754 1 16434

Name: CLASS, dtype: int64

[5]: pd.DataFrame([[i, len(data[i].unique())] for i in data.columns], columns=['Variable', 'Unique Values']).set\_index('Variable')

[5]: Unique Values Variable CHROM 38 POS 63115 REF 866 ALT 458 AF\_ESP 2842 AF\_EXAC 6667 AF\_TGP 2087 CLNDISDB 9234 CLNDISDBINCL 94 CLNDN 9260 CLNDNINCL 102 CLNHGVS 65188 CLNSIGINCL 138 CLNVC 7 CLNVI 27655 MC 91 ORIGIN 31 SSR 3 2 CLASS Allele 374 Consequence 48 IMPACT 4 SYMBOL 2329 3 Feature\_type Feature 2370 BIOTYPE 3

EXON	3265
INTRON	1930
cDNA_position	13971
CDS_position	13664
Protein_position	7340
Amino_acids	1263
Codons	2221
DISTANCE	97
STRAND	3
BAM_EDIT	3
SIFT	5
PolyPhen	5
MOTIF_NAME	3
MOTIF_POS	2
HIGH_INF_POS	2
MOTIF_SCORE_CHANGE	3
LoFtool	1196
CADD_PHRED	9325
CADD_RAW	63804
BLOSUM62	7

Dropping columns that have too many unique values and therefore they do not carry any information.

```
[7]: pd.DataFrame([[i, len(data[i].unique())] for i in data.columns], columns=['Variable', 'Unique Values']).set_index('Variable')
```

[7]:		Unique	Values
	Variable		
	CHROM		38
	REF		866
	ALT		458
	AF_ESP		2842
	AF_TGP		2087
	CLNDISDBINCL		94
	CLNDNINCL		102
	CLNSIGINCL		138
	CLNVC		7
	MC		91
	ORIGIN		31
	SSR		3

CLASS	2
Allele	374
Consequence	48
IMPACT	4
SYMBOL	2329
Feature_type	3
Feature	2370
BIOTYPE	3
INTRON	1930
Amino_acids	1263
Codons	2221
DISTANCE	97
STRAND	3
BAM_EDIT	3
SIFT	5
PolyPhen	5
MOTIF_NAME	3
MOTIF_POS	2
HIGH_INF_POS	2
MOTIF_SCORE_CHANGE	3
LoFtool	1196
BLOSUM62	7

### 2.1 Featureset Exploration

CHROM: Chromosome the variant is located on

 $\mathbf{REF}$ : Reference Allele

**ALT**: Alternaete Allele

**AF ESP**: Allele frequencies from GO-ESP

AF\_EXAC: Allele frequencies from ExAC

AF\_TGP: Allele frequencies from the 1000 genomes project

CLNDISDB: Tag-value pairs of disease database name and identifier, e.g. OMIM:NNNNNN

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \bf CLNDISDBINCL: For included Variant: Tag-value pairs of disease database name and identifier, e.g. OMIM:NN \end{tabular}$ 

**CLNDN**: ClinVar's preferred disease name for the concept specified by disease identifiers in CLNDISDB

More information on many of the features can be found at these two links:

https://useast.ensembl.org/info/docs/tools/vep/vep\_formats.html#output

https://useast.ensembl.org/info/genome/variation/prediction/predicted\_data.html#consequences

```
[8]: num_missing = data.isnull().sum()
percentage_missing = data.isnull().sum().apply(lambda x: x/data.shape[0]*100)
```

```
[9]: missing_data = pd.DataFrame({'Number of Missing': num_missing,
                                    'Percentage of Missing': percentage_missing})
      missing_data['Percentage of Missing'].sort_values(ascending = False)
 [9]: MOTIF_NAME
                             99.996932
      MOTIF_SCORE_CHANGE
                             99.996932
      HIGH_INF_POS
                             99.996932
      MOTIF_POS
                             99.996932
      DISTANCE
                             99.834325
      SSR
                             99.800577
      CLNDISDBINCL
                             99.743818
      CLNDNINCL
                             99.743818
      CLNSIGINCL
                             99.743818
      INTRON
                             86.495981
      PolyPhen
                             61.962324
      SIFT
                             61.900963
      BLOSUM62
                             60.739707
      BAM_EDIT
                             50.958765
      Amino acids
                             15.346383
      Codons
                             15.346383
      LoFtool
                              6.462846
      MC
                              1.297785
      SYMBOL
                              0.024544
      BIOTYPE
                              0.024544
      STRAND
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      Feature_type
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      Feature
      REF
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      IMPACT
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      Consequence
                              0.000000
      Allele
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      CLASS
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      ORIGIN
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      CLNVC
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      AF_TGP
      AF_ESP
                              0.000000
      ALT
                              0.000000
                              0.000000
      CHROM
      Name: Percentage of Missing, dtype: float64
     Drop the columns where more than 20% of the data is missing.
[10]: drop_list = list(missing_data[missing_data['Percentage of Missing'] >= 20].
       →index)
      data.drop(drop_list,axis = 1, inplace=True)
[11]: data.isnull().sum()
```

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[11]: CHROM
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      AT.T
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      AF_ESP
                           0
      AF_TGP
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      CLNVC
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      MC
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      ORIGIN
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      CLASS
                           0
      Allele
                           0
      Consequence
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      IMPACT
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      Feature_type
                          14
      Feature
                          14
      BIOTYPE
                          16
      Amino_acids
                       10004
      Codons
                       10004
      STRAND
                          14
      LoFtool
                        4213
      dtype: int64
[12]: plt.figure(figsize = (12, 10))
      sns.heatmap(data.corr(), annot = True, linewidths=.5, cmap = plt.cm.cool)
[12]: <AxesSubplot:>
     The correlation of AF_ESP with AF_TGP is above 0.8 hence dropping the AF_TGP column.
[13]: data.drop(['AF_TGP'],axis = 1, inplace=True)
[14]: # check the types
      df = pd.DataFrame(data.isnull().sum().astype(int), columns=['Null'])
      null_list = list(df[df['Null'] != 0].index)
      data[null_list].dtypes
[14]: MC
                        object
      SYMBOL
                        object
      Feature_type
                        object
      Feature
                        object
      BIOTYPE
                        object
      Amino acids
                        object
      Codons
                        object
      STRAND
                       float64
      LoFtool
                       float64
      dtype: object
[15]: data[null_list].sample(5)
```

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[15]:
                                                                SYMBOL Feature_type \
      6468
                                     S0:0001627|intron_variant
                                                                 KIF1B
                                                                          Transcript
      12425
                                 SO:0001819|synonymous variant
                                                                    HBB
                                                                          Transcript
      30470
            S0:0001583|missense_variant,S0:0001624|3_prime...
                                                               BRCA1
                                                                        Transcript
                                 SO:0001819|synonymous variant
      54376
                                                                          Transcript
                                                                SPINK5
      25775
                                 S0:0001819|synonymous_variant
                                                                  GLIS2
                                                                          Transcript
                    Feature
                                    BIOTYPE Amino_acids
                                                          Codons
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             XM 005263433.1 protein_coding
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      12425
                NM_000518.4 protein_coding
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      30470
                NM_007300.3 protein_coding
                                                                     -1.0 0.00207
                                                    E/K Gag/Aag
      54376
            NM_001127698.1 protein_coding
                                                      H caT/caC
                                                                     1.0 0.99700
            NM_001318918.1 protein_coding
                                                      N aaC/aaT
      25775
                                                                      1.0 0.09750
```

### 3 Feature Transformation

- Replace nan in MC, SYMBOL, Feature\_type, Feature, BIOTYPE, Amino\_acids, Codons, STRAND with the most frequent value
- Replace nan in LoFtool with the mean

```
[16]: CHROM
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      REF
                        0
      ALT
                        0
      AF_ESP
      CLNVC
                        0
      MC
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      ORIGIN
      CLASS
                        0
      Allele
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      Consequence
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      IMPACT
      SYMBOL
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      Feature_type
                        0
      Feature
                        0
      BIOTYPE
                        0
      Amino_acids
                        0
      Codons
                        0
      STRAND
      LoFtool
```

### dtype: int64

Now identify which variables are binary, categorical and ordinal by looking at the number of unique values each variable takes, then create list variables for categorical, numeric, binary, and ordinal variables.

```
[17]: dg = pd.DataFrame([[str(i),data[i].dtypes == 'object'] for i in data.columns],
                        columns=['Variable','Object Type']).set_index('Variable')
      object_columns_names = list(dg[dg['Object Type'] == True].index)
[18]: #display the number of unique values for columns type object
      df = data[object_columns_names]
      df_uniques = pd.DataFrame([[i, len(df[i].unique())] for i in df.columns],
                                 columns=['Variable', 'Unique Values']).
       →set_index('Variable')
[19]: df uniques
[19]:
                    Unique Values
      Variable
      CHROM
                               38
      REF
                              866
      ALT
                              458
      CLNVC
                                7
      MC
                               90
                              374
      Allele
      Consequence
                               48
      IMPACT
                                4
      SYMBOL
                             2328
     Feature_type
                                2
      Feature
                             2369
      BIOTYPE
                                 2
      Amino_acids
                             1262
      Codons
                             2220
[20]: binary_variables = list(df_uniques[df_uniques['Unique Values'] == 2].index)
      binary variables
[20]: ['Feature_type', 'BIOTYPE']
[21]: categorical_variables = list(df_uniques[(df_uniques['Unique Values'] > 2)].
       →index)
      categorical_variables
[21]: ['CHROM',
       'REF',
       'ALT',
       'CLNVC',
```

```
'MC',
       'Allele',
       'Consequence',
       'IMPACT',
       'SYMBOL',
       'Feature',
       'Amino_acids',
       'Codons']
[22]: for col in categorical_variables:
          data[col] = data[col].apply(lambda x: str(x))
      data[categorical_variables].dtypes
[22]: CHROM
                     object
      REF
                     object
                     object
      ALT
      CLNVC
                     object
      MC
                     object
                     object
      Allele
      Consequence
                     object
      IMPACT
                     object
      SYMBOL
                     object
      Feature
                     object
      Amino_acids
                     object
      Codons
                     object
      dtype: object
[23]: numeric_variables = list(set(data.columns) - set(categorical_variables) -___
      ⇒set(binary_variables))
      data[numeric_variables].dtypes
[23]: CLASS
                   int64
      AF_ESP
                 float64
      ORIGIN
                   int64
      LoFtool
                 float64
      STRAND
                 float64
      dtype: object
[24]: lb, le = LabelBinarizer(), LabelEncoder()
      #encoding ordinary variables
      for col in categorical_variables:
          data[col] = le.fit_transform(data[col])
      # binary encoding binary variables
      for col in binary_variables:
```

```
data[col] = lb.fit_transform(data[col])
[25]: data.sample(3)
[25]:
              CHROM
                     REF
                           ALT
                                AF ESP
                                         CLNVC
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                                                      ORIGIN
                                                              CLASS
                                                                      Allele
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      46484
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              STRAND
                      LoFtool
                        0.7420
      59350
                 1.0
      28030
                 1.0
                        0.3530
      46484
                -1.0
                        0.0681
[26]: plt.figure(figsize = (30, 15))
      sns.heatmap(data.corr(), annot = True, linewidths=.5, cmap = plt.cm.cool)
```

[26]: <AxesSubplot:>

The correlation of **ALT** with **Allele** and **MC** with **Consequence** are both above 0.8 hence dropping the **ALT** and **MC** columns.

```
[27]: data.drop(["ALT", "MC"],axis = 1, inplace=True)
    categorical_variables.remove('ALT')
    categorical_variables.remove("MC")
```

## 4 Apply Feature Scaling

```
[28]: mm = MinMaxScaler()
  for column in [categorical_variables + numeric_variables]:
         data[column] = mm.fit_transform(data[column])

[29]: # Save a copy of the processed data for later use
  outputfile = 'clinvar_conflicting_processed.csv'
    data.to_csv(outputfile, index=False)
```

# 5 Split the data

Split the data into train and test data sets using **StratifiedShuffleSplit** to maintain the same ratio of predictor classes.

```
[30]: data = pd.read_csv('./clinvar_conflicting_processed.csv', sep=',')
```

### [32]: (19557, 45631)

### 6 Train models

- Standard logistic regression, K-nearest neighbors algorithm, Decision Tree,mRandom Forest
- Plot the results using heatmaps
- Compare scores: precision, recall, accuracy, F1 score, auc

### 6.1 Logistic Regression

```
# Report outcomes
      pd.DataFrame(classification_report(y_test, y_pred_lr, output_dict=True)).iloc[:
       →3,:2]
[33]:
                      0.0
                                1.0
     precision 0.747773 0.130435
     recall
                 0.998633 0.000609
      f1-score
                 0.855186 0.001211
     6.2 K-nearest Neighbors
[34]: # Estimate KNN model and report outcomes
      knn = KNeighborsClassifier(n_neighbors=3, weights='distance')
      knn = knn.fit(X_train, y_train)
      y_pred_knn = knn.predict(X_test)
      precision knn, recall knn = (round(float(x),2) for x in list(score(y test,
      →y_pred_knn,
                                                                            Ш
      →average='weighted'))[:-2])
      # adding KNN stats to metrics DataFrame
      knn_stats = pd.Series({'precision':precision_knn,
                            'recall':recall_knn,
                            'accuracy':round(accuracy score(y test, y pred knn), 2),
                            'flscore':round(fl_score(y_test, y_pred_knn), 2),
                            'auc': round(roc_auc_score(y_test, y_pred_knn),2)},__
      →name='KNN')
      # Report outcomes
      pd.DataFrame(classification_report(y_test, y_pred_knn, output_dict=True)).iloc[:
       \rightarrow3,:2]
[34]:
                      0.0
                                1.0
     precision 0.772583 0.345946
     recall
                 0.818008 0.285598
      f1-score
                0.794647 0.312889
     6.3 Decision Tree
[35]: dt = DecisionTreeClassifier(random_state=42)
      dt = dt.fit(X_train, y_train)
      dt.tree_.node_count, dt.tree_.max_depth
[35]: (21179, 44)
[36]: y_train_pred = dt.predict(X_train)
```

y\_pred\_dt = dt.predict(X\_test)

```
precision_dt, recall_dt = (round(float(x),2) for x in list(score(y_test, y_pred_dt, y_pred_dt,
```

[36]: 0.0 1.0 precision 0.788235 0.381372 recall 0.803377 0.359635 f1-score 0.795734 0.370185

#### 6.4 Random forest

```
[37]: # Initialize the random forest estimator
      RF = RandomForestClassifier(oob_score=True,
                                  random state=42,
                                  warm_start=True,
                                  n_{jobs=-1}
      # initialise list for out of bag error
      oob_list = list()
      # Iterate through all of the possibilities for number of trees
      for n_trees in [15, 20, 30, 40, 50, 100, 150, 200, 300, 400]:
          # Use this to set the number of trees
          RF.set_params(n_estimators=n_trees)
          # Fit the model
          RF.fit(X_train, y_train)
          # Get the out of bag error and store it
          oob_error = 1 - RF.oob_score_
          oob_list.append(pd.Series({'n_trees': n_trees, 'oob': oob_error}))
      rf_oob_df = pd.concat(oob_list, axis=1).T.set_index('n_trees')
```

```
[38]: sns.set_context('talk')
sns.set_style('white')

ax = rf_oob_df.plot(legend=False, marker='o', color="orange", figsize=(14, 7),

→linewidth=5)
ax.set(ylabel='out-of-bag error');
```

The error looks like it has stabilized around 100-150 trees.

```
[39]: 0.0 1.0 precision 0.785655 0.484793 recall 0.903876 0.268357 f1-score 0.840629 0.345476
```

```
ax.set_yticklabels(labels[::-1], fontsize=20);
          ax.set_ylabel('Prediction', fontsize=25);
          ax.set_xlabel('Ground Truth', fontsize=25)
      plt.tight_layout()
[41]: pd.DataFrame(classification_report(y_test, y_pred_lr, output_dict=True)).iloc[:
       \rightarrow3,:2]
[41]:
                       0.0
                                 1.0
      precision 0.747773
                            0.130435
      recall
                 0.998633
                            0.000609
                 0.855186
      f1-score
                            0.001211
[42]: pd.DataFrame(classification_report(y_test, y_pred_knn, output_dict=True)).iloc[:
       →3,:2]
[42]:
                       0.0
                                 1.0
      precision 0.772583
                            0.345946
      recall
                 0.818008
                            0.285598
      f1-score
                 0.794647
                            0.312889
[43]: pd.DataFrame(classification_report(y_test, y_pred_dt, output_dict=True)).iloc[:
       →3,:2]
[43]:
                       0.0
                                 1.0
                            0.381372
      precision 0.788235
                 0.803377
      recall
                            0.359635
      f1-score
                 0.795734
                            0.370185
[44]: pd.DataFrame(classification_report(y_test, y_pred_rf, output_dict=True)).iloc[:
       \rightarrow3,:2]
                                 1.0
[44]:
                       0.0
      precision 0.785655
                            0.484793
                 0.903876
                            0.268357
      recall
      f1-score
                 0.840629
                            0.345476
```

## 7 Results

The classification report of each classifier shows that I am able to predict consistent classification, with an F1 score of 0.855186 for **Logistic Regression** model. Similar result can be achieved using any of the model above. I predicted conflicting classification with F2 score 0.370185 with **Decision Tree** algorithm which is significantly better than the Logistic Regression with F1 score 0.001211.

There is a large amount of misclassification which can be seen on the average error report below.

```
[45]: metrics.append([lr_stats, knn_stats, dt_stats, rf_stats])
```

[45]:		precision	recall	accuracy	f1score	auc
	Logistic Regression	0.59	0.75	0.75	0.00	0.50
	KNN	0.67	0.68	0.68	0.31	0.55
	Decision Tree	0.69	0.69	0.69	0.37	0.58
	Random Forest	0.71	0.74	0.74	0.35	0.59

# 8 Next Steps

We could further optimize these models by using **GridSearchCV** or **Boosting** algorithms. It took a significant amount of time when training AdaBoostClassifier so we might need to limit the amount of training data.