# COMPAS Analysis-Jack DeGesero

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# 1 Analysis of COMPAS Score, Detecting Inaccuracies

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1.1.1 The data regarded predicts whether or not criminal defendants are likely to be reoffenders based on multiple attributes, in this report we will be examining sex, age (binned in three categories: <25, 25-45, >45), decile score, and if they did re-offend or not within a two year time frame (is a recidivist), our class attribute. All the data examined is sourced from Broward County, FL.

This data is sourced from Pro Publica, who initially led the report with all variables. https://www.propublica.org/article/how-we-analyzed-the-compas-recidivism-algorithm

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import numpy as py #series'
import pandas as pd #dataframes
import statistics #stats

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt #graphing

from sklearn import tree #for tree
from sklearn import model_selection #for partition into test and training data
from sklearn import preprocessing #to change attributes
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score #for checking model accuracy
from sklearn.metrics import classification_report, confusion_matrix #to show_
confusion matrix
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[3]: #load the data
df1 = pd.read_csv('compas_small.csv')
df2 = pd.read_csv('compas_small_Ca.csv')
df3 = pd.read_csv('compas_small_AfAm.csv')

#get all relevant columns, and class attribute (is_recid)
df1 = df1[['sex', 'age_cat', 'decile_score', 'is_recid']]
df2 = df2[['sex', 'age_cat', 'decile_score', 'is_recid']]
df3 = df3[['sex', 'age_cat', 'decile_score', 'is_recid']]
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[4]: df1 #All races
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[4]:
            sex
                           age_cat decile_score is_recid
    0
            Male Greater than 45
    1
                           25 - 45
                                               3
            Male
                                                      yes
     2
            Male
                     Less than 25
                                               4
                                                      yes
    3
                     Less than 25
            Male
                                               8
                                                       no
                           25 - 45
     4
            Male
                                               1
                                                       no
                     Less than 25
                                               7
    7209
            Male
                                                       no
    7210
            Male
                      Less than 25
                                               3
                                                       no
    7211
                  Greater than 45
            Male
                                               1
                                                       no
    7212 Female
                          25 - 45
                                               2
                                                       no
    7213 Female
                      Less than 25
                                               4
                                                      yes
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[7214 rows x 4 columns]

# [5]: df2 #Caucasians

[5]:		sex		age_d	cat	decile	_score	is_recid
	0	Male		25 -	45		6	yes
	1	Female		25 -	45		1	no
	2	Male	Less	than	25		3	yes
	3	Male		25 -	45		4	no
	4	Female		25 -	45		1	no
	•••	•••		•••		•••	•••	
	2449	Male		25 -	45		2	no
	2450	Female		25 -	45		1	yes
	2451	Male	Less	than	25		8	no
	2452	Male	Less	than	25		10	yes
	2453	Male	Less	than	25		6	yes

[2454 rows x 4 columns]

## [6]: df3 #African Americans

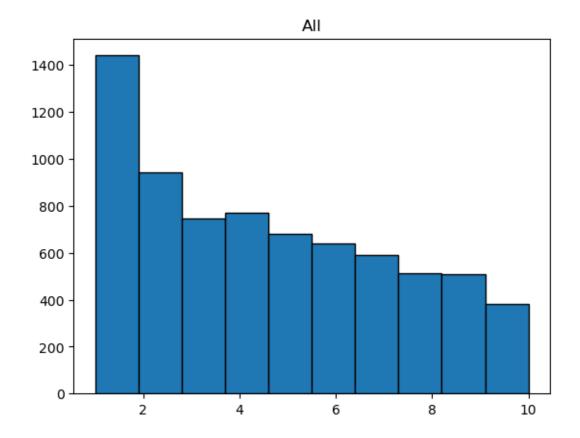
[6]:		sex		age_c	cat	decile	_score	is_reci	id
	0	Male		25 -	45		3	yе	es
	1	Male	Less	than	25		4	ye	es
	2	Male	Less	than	25		8	r	10
	3	Male	Less	than	25		6	yє	es
	4	Male		25 -	45		4	r	10
		•••				•••	•••		
	3691	Male		25 -	45		2	ye	es
	3692	Male	Less	than	25		9	r	10
	3693	Male	Less	than	25		7	r	10
	3694	Male	Less	than	25		3	r	10
	3695	Female		25 -	45		2	ı	10

### [3696 rows x 4 columns]

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[7]: #Check if any na values are present in each data set
any([df1['decile_score'].isna().any(),df2['decile_score'].isna().
any(),df3['decile_score'].isna().any()])
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[7]: False

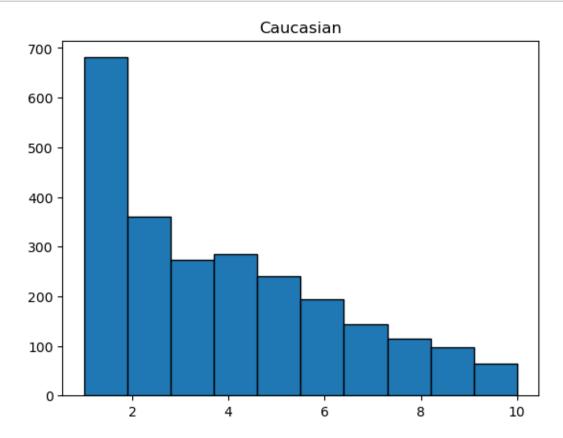
```
[8]: plt.hist(df1['decile_score'], ec='black')
plt.title("All")
plt.show()
```



Median of All: 4.0, Mode of All: 1

1.1.2 From the figure above, we can see the median for decile score is greater than the mean indicating it is positively skewed.

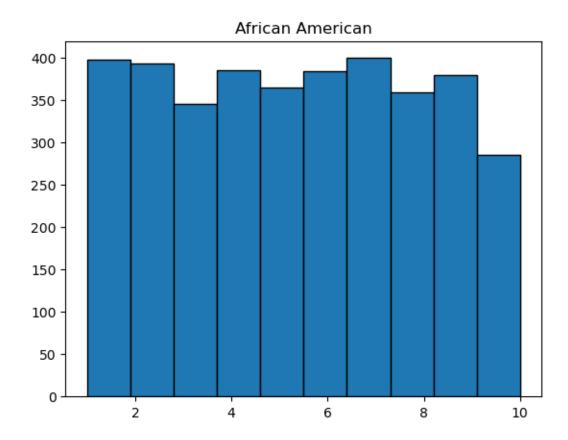
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[12]: plt.hist(df2['decile_score'], ec='black')
plt.title("Caucasian")
plt.show()
```



Median of Caucasians: 3.0, Mode of Caucasians: 1

1.1.3 From this figure, we can see the histogram for Caucasians is also positively skewed. It's distributions are similar to the set of all.

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[11]: plt.hist(df3['decile_score'], ec='black')
  plt.title("African American")
  plt.show()
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[12]: print("Median of African Americans: " + str(df3['decile_score'].median()) + ", \( \to \) Mode of African Americans: "+ str(df1['decile_score'].mode().values[0]))
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Median of African Americans: 5.0, Mode of African Americans: 1

1.1.4 Finally, African Americans have a slight positive skew; however, the median is higher than both the latter graphs indicating it's more evenly skewed (i.e. more entries with higher decile scores). This will effect this groups participation in the class attribute.

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[29]: #Preprocess some attributes to make scikit more digestible

df1['sex'] = preprocessing.LabelEncoder().fit(df1['sex']).transform(df1['sex'])

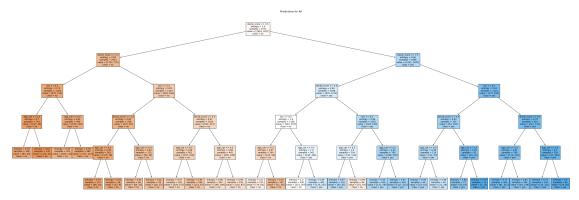
df1['age_cat'] = preprocessing.OneHotEncoder(sparse=False).

ofit_transform(df1['age_cat'].values.reshape(-1, 1))
```

```
[30]: #Make Trained Decision Tree for 'All' (df1)

#Grab attributes and class attribute
allAtr = df1[['sex', 'age_cat', 'decile_score']]
classAtr = df1['is_recid']
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#Partition 20% of data to be tested, map to xtr-Training Attributes, xt-Test_{\sqcup}
 Attributes, ytr-Class Training Attributes, yt-Class Test Attributes (used
⇔for accuracy)
xtr, xt, ytr, yt = model_selection.train_test_split(allAtr, classAtr,_
 stest_size=0.2, random_state=42)
#instantiates tree object
AllTree = tree.DecisionTreeClassifier(criterion="entropy",max_depth=5) #depth_1
 →limited to 5 for visualization purposes
#make the tree
AllTree.fit(xtr, ytr)
#predict based on test data
prediction = AllTree.predict(xt)
#plot data
plt.figure(figsize=(48, 16))
tree.plot_tree(AllTree, feature_names=allAtr.columns, class_names=['no',u
plt.title('Predictions for All')
plt.savefig('decision_tree.png', dpi=300) #very low res in out[]:, see picture
plt.show()
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Gain:
     Attribute: sex, Importance: 0.05
     Attribute: age_cat, Importance: 0.03
     Attribute: decile_score, Importance: 0.92
[41]: #Run the test
      print("Confusion matrix: \n" + str(confusion_matrix(yt,prediction).T) + \_

¬"\nTP,FN\nFP,TN")
     Confusion matrix:
     [[570 284]
      [219 370]]
     TP,FN
     FP,TN
[68]: confusion matrix(yt, prediction). T[0,0]/(confusion matrix(yt, prediction).
       →T[0,0]+confusion_matrix(yt,prediction).T[0,1])
[68]: 0.667447306791569
[78]: precision = confusion_matrix(yt,prediction).T[0,0]/
       →(confusion_matrix(yt,prediction).T[0,0]+confusion_matrix(yt,prediction).
       \hookrightarrowT[1,0])
      recall = confusion_matrix(yt,prediction).T[0,0]/
       ⇔(confusion_matrix(yt,prediction).T[0,0]+confusion_matrix(yt,prediction).
       \hookrightarrowT[0,1])
      print("Accuracy for All: " + str(accuracy_score(yt,prediction)) +
            "\nEquation for accuracy: (TP+TN)/All" +
           "\n\nPrecision, what % of tuples predicted positive were correct: " +
           str(precision) +
           "\nEquation for precision TP/(TP+FP)" +
           "\n\nRecall, what % of tuples were classified as positive: "+
           str(recall) +
           "\nEquation for recall: TP/(TP+FN)" +
           "\n\nF measure, measures balance between both precision and_
       →recall(harmonic mean): " +
           str((2*precision*recall)/(precision + recall)) +
           "\nEquation for F measure: (2*precision*recall)/(precision+recall)")
     Accuracy for All: 0.6514206514206514
     Equation for accuracy: (TP+TN)/All
     Precision, what % of tuples predicted positive were correct: 0.7224334600760456
     Equation for precision TP/(TP+FP)
     Recall, what % of tuples were classified as positive: 0.667447306791569
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Equation for recall: TP/(TP+FN)

F measure, measures balance between both precision and recall(harmonic mean):
0.6938527084601339

Equation for F measure: (2*precision*recall)/(precision+recall)
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- 1.1.5 The main model is accurate about 65% of the time. Precision shows us that positives are correct approx 72% of the time. Note the F measure, this will tell us which model is better overall (unweighted).
- 1.1.6 I ran the same data through the software Weka and got an accuracy of about 68%, very interesting to see how some models may classify more accurately than other models! Really goes to show why most contemporary models are proprietary.
- 1.1.7 Now, we repeat the same analysis for Caucasians and African Americans. Find Caucasian analysis below:

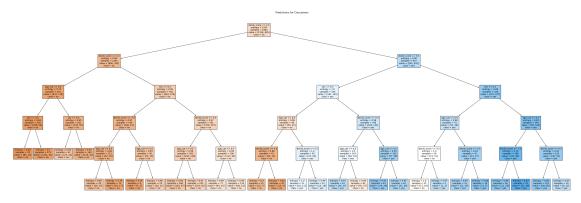
```
[79]: #Preprocess some attributes to make scikit more digestible

df2['sex'] = preprocessing.LabelEncoder().fit(df2['sex']).transform(df2['sex'])

df2['age_cat'] = preprocessing.OneHotEncoder(sparse=False).

ofit_transform(df2['age_cat'].values.reshape(-1, 1))
```

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[80]: #Make Trained Decision Tree for 'Caucasians' (df2)
     #Grab attributes and class attribute
     allAtr = df2[['sex', 'age_cat', 'decile_score']]
     classAtr = df2['is_recid']
     \#Partition 20\% of data to be tested, map to xtr-Training Attributes, xt-Test_{\sqcup}
      Attributes, ytr-Class Training Attributes, yt-Class Test Attributes (used
      ⇔for accuracy)
     xtr, xt, ytr, yt = model_selection.train_test_split(allAtr, classAtr,_
      ⇔test_size=0.2, random_state=42)
     #instantiates tree object
     AllTree = tree.DecisionTreeClassifier(criterion="entropy",max_depth=5)
     #make the tree
     AllTree.fit(xtr, ytr)
     #predict based on test data
     prediction = AllTree.predict(xt)
     #plot data
     plt.figure(figsize=(48, 16))
     tree.plot_tree(AllTree, feature_names=allAtr.columns, class_names=['no',_
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⇔examined, put in list
      print("Gain:")
      # Print the attributes in the order of importance
      for i in xtr.columns:
         print(f'Attribute: {i}, Importance: {importances[xtr.columns.get_loc(i)]:.
       Gain:
     Attribute: sex, Importance: 0.07
     Attribute: age_cat, Importance: 0.09
     Attribute: decile_score, Importance: 0.84
[82]: #Run the test
      print("Confusion matrix: \n" + str(confusion_matrix(yt,prediction).T) +__

¬"\nTP,FN\nFP,TN")
     Confusion matrix:
     [[225 125]
      [ 46 95]]
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[81]: importances = AllTree.feature\_importances\_ #qet gain of each attribute\_

TP,FN FP,TN

Accuracy for Caucasians: 0.6517311608961304 Equation for accuracy: (TP+TN)/All

Precision, what % of tuples predicted positive were correct: 0.8302583025830258 Equation for precision TP/(TP+FP)

Recall, what % of tuples were classified as positive: 0.6428571428571429 Equation for recall: TP/(TP+FN)

F measure, measures balance between both precision and recall(harmonic mean): 0.7246376811594204

Equation for F measure: (2\*precision\*recall)/(precision+recall)

- 1.1.8 The model made for caucasians is slightly more accurate, correctly predicting positives 83% of the time. Our F measure is higher than the model for all races.
- 1.1.9 Find African Amercian analysis below:

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[85]: #Preprocess some attributes to make scikit more digestible

df3['sex'] = preprocessing.LabelEncoder().fit(df3['sex']).transform(df3['sex'])

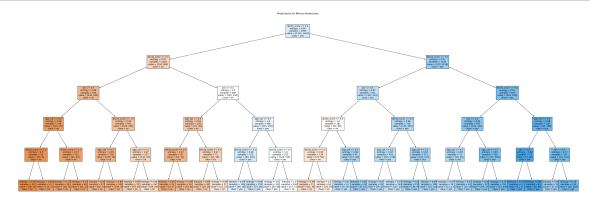
df3['age_cat'] = preprocessing.OneHotEncoder(sparse=False).

ofit_transform(df3['age_cat'].values.reshape(-1, 1))
```

```
[96]: #Make Trained Decision Tree for 'African Americans' (df3)

#Grab attributes and class attribute
allAtr = df3[['sex', 'age_cat', 'decile_score']]
classAtr = df3['is_recid']
```

```
#Partition 20% of data to be tested, map to xtr-Training Attributes, xt-Test_{\sqcup}
 Attributes, ytr-Class Training Attributes, yt-Class Test Attributes (used
⇔for accuracy)
xtr, xt, ytr, yt = model_selection.train_test_split(allAtr, classAtr,_
 stest_size=0.2, random_state=42)
#instantiates tree object
AllTree = tree.DecisionTreeClassifier(criterion="entropy",max_depth=5)
#make the tree
AllTree.fit(xtr, ytr)
#predict based on test data
prediction = AllTree.predict(xt)
#plot data
plt.figure(figsize=(48, 16))
tree.plot_tree(AllTree, feature_names=allAtr.columns, class_names=['no',_
plt.title('Predictions for African Americans')
plt.savefig('decision_tree_africanamerican.png', dpi=300) #very low res in_
 →out[]:, see picture
plt.show()
```



```
Gain:
     Attribute: sex, Importance: 0.10
     Attribute: age_cat, Importance: 0.03
     Attribute: decile_score, Importance: 0.86
[26]: #Run the test
      print("Confusion matrix: \n" + str(confusion_matrix(yt,prediction).T) + \_

¬"\nTP,FN\nFP,TN")
     Confusion matrix:
     [[155 191]
      [ 85 309]]
     TP,FP
     FN,TN
[88]: precision = confusion_matrix(yt,prediction).T[0,0]/
       →(confusion_matrix(yt,prediction).T[0,0]+confusion_matrix(yt,prediction).
       \hookrightarrowT[1,0])
      recall = confusion_matrix(yt,prediction).T[0,0]/
       → (confusion matrix(yt,prediction).T[0,0]+confusion matrix(yt,prediction).
       \hookrightarrowT[0,1])
      print("Accuracy for African Americans: " + str(accuracy_score(yt,prediction)) +
            "\nEquation for accuracy: (TP+TN)/All" +
           "\n\nPrecision, what % of tuples predicted positive were correct: " +
           str(precision) +
           "\nEquation for precision TP/(TP+FP)" +
           "\n\nRecall, what % of tuples were classified as positive: "+
           str(recall) +
           "\nEquation for recall: TP/(TP+FN)" +
           "\n\nF measure, measures balance between both precision and_
       →recall(harmonic mean): " +
           str((2*precision*recall)/(precision + recall)) +
           "\nEquation for F measure: (2*precision*recall)/(precision+recall)")
     Accuracy for African Americans: 0.6270270270270271
     Equation for accuracy: (TP+TN)/All
     Precision, what % of tuples predicted positive were correct: 0.4393063583815029
     Equation for precision TP/(TP+FP)
     Recall, what % of tuples were classified as positive: 0.6495726495726496
     Equation for recall: TP/(TP+FN)
     F measure, measures balance between both precision and recall(harmonic mean):
     0.5241379310344828
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Equation for F measure: (2*precision*recall)/(precision+recall)
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- 1.1.10 The model for African Americans is notably less accurate, only correcting classifying positives 43% of the time. The disparity in the False Positives goes to show why this prediction should not be the sole deciding factor in determining recidivism.
- 1.1.11 We can also check if we examine more attributes (for the decision tree) how it will affect our accuracy. Let's attempt this with our 'all' data, but this time we will also consider number of juvenile misdemeanors.

```
[89]: #read the data
      df4 = pd.read_csv('compas_small.csv')
      df4 = df4[['sex', 'age_cat', 'decile_score', 'juv_misd_count', 'is_recid']]
[90]: df4
[90]:
                            age_cat decile_score juv_misd_count is_recid
               sex
              Male Greater than 45
                            25 - 45
      1
              Male
                                                 3
                                                                 0
                                                                        yes
      2
                       Less than 25
                                                 4
              Male
                                                                 0
                                                                        ves
      3
              Male
                       Less than 25
                                                 8
                                                                 1
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      4
              Male
                            25 - 45
                                                                 0
                                                                         no
                                                 7
                       Less than 25
      7209
              Male
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      7210
              Male
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      7211
              Male Greater than 45
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                                                 1
                                                                         no
                            25 - 45
      7212 Female
                                                 2
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                                                                         no
      7213 Female
                       Less than 25
                                                                 0
                                                                        yes
      [7214 rows x 5 columns]
[91]: #Preprocess some attributes to make scikit more digestible
      df4['sex'] = preprocessing.LabelEncoder().fit(df4['sex']).transform(df4['sex'])
      df4['age_cat'] = preprocessing.OneHotEncoder(sparse=False).

→fit_transform(df4['age_cat'].values.reshape(-1, 1))
[97]: | #Make Trained Decision Tree for 'All with # of Juvenile Misdemeanors' (df4)
      #Grab attributes and class attribute
      allAtr = df4[['sex', 'age_cat', 'decile_score', 'juv_misd_count']]
      classAtr = df4['is recid']
      #Partition 20% of data to be tested, map to xtr-Training Attributes, xt-Test,
       →Attributes, ytr-Class Training Attributes, yt-Class Test Attributes (used
       ⇔for accuracy)
```

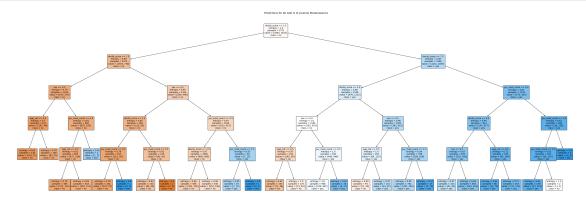
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xtr, xt, ytr, yt = model_selection.train_test_split(allAtr, classAtr,_

state=42)

state=42)

state=42)

#instantiates tree object
AllTree = tree.DecisionTreeClassifier(criterion="entropy",max_depth=5)
#make the tree
AllTree.fit(xtr, ytr)
#predict based on test data
prediction = AllTree.predict(xt)
#plot data
plt.figure(figsize=(48, 16))
tree.plot_tree(AllTree, feature_names=allAtr.columns, class_names=['no',_
plt.title('Predictions for All with # of Juvenile Misdemeanors')
plt.savefig('decision_tree_juvc.png', dpi=300) #very low res in out[]:, see_
 \rightarrowpicture
plt.show()
```



Attribute: sex, Importance: 0.05
Attribute: age\_cat, Importance: 0.02
Attribute: decile\_score, Importance: 0.89
Attribute: juv\_misd\_count, Importance: 0.05

```
[99]: precision = confusion_matrix(yt,prediction).T[0,0]/
       →(confusion_matrix(yt,prediction).T[0,0]+confusion_matrix(yt,prediction).
       \hookrightarrowT[1,0])
     recall = confusion_matrix(yt,prediction).T[0,0]/
       ⇔(confusion_matrix(yt,prediction).T[0,0]+confusion_matrix(yt,prediction).
       \hookrightarrowT[0,1])
     print("Accuracy for all (w/ juv midemeanors): " +__
       str(accuracy_score(yt,prediction)) +
           "\nEquation for accuracy: (TP+TN)/All" +
          "\n\nPrecision, what % of tuples predicted positive were correct: " +
          str(precision) +
          "\nEquation for precision TP/(TP+FP)" +
          "\n\nRecall, what % of tuples were classified as positive: "+
          str(recall) +
          "\nEquation for recall: TP/(TP+FN)" +
          ⇔recall(harmonic mean): " +
          str((2*precision*recall)/(precision + recall)) +
          "\nEquation for F measure: (2*precision*recall)/(precision+recall)")
```

Accuracy for all (w/ juv midemeanors): 0.6340956340956341 Equation for accuracy: (TP+TN)/All

Precision, what % of tuples predicted positive were correct: 0.6185044359949303 Equation for precision TP/(TP+FP)

Recall, what % of tuples were classified as positive: 0.6825174825174826 Equation for recall: TP/(TP+FN)

F measure, measures balance between both precision and recall(harmonic mean): 0.6489361702127661

Equation for F measure: (2\*precision\*recall)/(precision+recall)

1.1.12 After we added in the juvenile misdemeanor count, the model decreased in accuracy. This is why attribute selection is vital to ensure there are no redundancies examined in our data. A good way to avoid redundancy in our attributes is to check correlation. We can see below that, although weak, juvenile misdemeanor count is positively correlated with decile score. It's the most notable correlation as compared to the other attributes.

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[103]: corref1 = py.corrcoef(df4['decile_score'].values,df4['juv_misd_count'].

ovalues)[0, 1]

corref2 = py.corrcoef(df4['age_cat'].values,df4['juv_misd_count'].values)[0, 1]

corref3 = py.corrcoef(df4['sex'].values,df4['juv_misd_count'].values)[0, 1]
```

```
print("Pearson Correlation of Decile Score and Misdeameanor count: " +
    str(corref1) +
    "\n\nPearson Correlation of Age Category and Misdeameanor count: " +
    str(corref2) +
    "\n\nPearson Correlation of Sex and Misdeameanor count: " +
    str(corref3))
```

Pearson Correlation of Decile Score and Misdeameanor count: 0.21592745594052032

Pearson Correlation of Age Category and Misdeameanor count: 0.023859526429586123

Pearson Correlation of Sex and Misdeameanor count: 0.04763666735215307