```
# Import necessary libraries
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
from sklearn.metrics import classification_report, accuracy_score, confusion_matrix
from sklearn.ensemble import IsolationForest, RandomForestClassifier
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from imblearn.over_sampling import SMOTE
from sklearn.utils import resample
```

#### CreditCard Fraud Detection

# Improving Fraud Detection in Credit Card Transactions With Highly Imbalanced Data

#### Context:

Accurate detection of fraudulent credit card transactions is crucial for protecting customers from unauthorized charges. In this project, I will explore a novel two-step upsampling strategy that combines **Variational Autoencoders**(VAE) and **Generative Adversarial Networks** (GAN) to improve the detection of fraudulent transactions. This VAE-GAN pipeline will be compared with traditional upsampling techniques like SMOTE to evaluate which method enhances fraud detection most effectively.

Fraud detection will be performed using two classifiers—Isolation Forests and Random Forests—to evaluate performance before and after upsampling.

## **Objective:**

We aim to detect fraudulent credit card transactions using various upsampling techniques such as SMOTE and VAE-GAN. We'll evaluate model performance using Isolation Forest and Random Forest classifiers, comparing their performance before and after balancing the dataset.

In this notebook we will:

- Analyze and Visualize the Data
- Perform Isolation and Random Forest ML Techniques
- Compare Customized Upsampled and Smote upsampled Random Forest Accuracy

```
# Load the dataset
from google.colab import drive
drive.mount('/content/drive')
df = pd.read_csv("/content/drive/MyDrive/PortFolio/CreditCardFraud/creditcard.csv")

# Check for NaN values and data distribution
print(f"Amount of NaN values per column:\n{df.isnull().sum()[df.isnull().sum() > 0]}")
print(f"Distribution of fraud and non-fraud cases:\n{df['Class'].value_counts()}")

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    Amount of NaN values per column:
    Series([], dtype: int64)
    Distribution of fraud and non-fraud cases:
    Class
    0 284315
```

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1 492
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

**Observation:** The dataset is heavily imbalanced, with 492 fraud cases and 284,315 non-fraud cases. No missing values are present.

#### Visualizing Class Imbalance

We use a bar plot to visually demonstrate the class imbalance in the dataset.

```
# Visualize class imbalance
plt.figure(figsize=(4,4))
sns.countplot(x='Class', data=df)
plt.title('Distribution of Fraud and Non-Fraud Cases')
plt.show()
```



```
columns = df.columns.tolist()
# Making our Independent Features
columns = [var for var in columns if var not in ["Class"]]
# Making our Dependent Variable
target = "Class"
x= df[columns]
y= df[target]
```

## Baseline Model (Isolation Forest)

We now split the data into training and testing sets and evaluate the performance of an Isolation Forest model on the unbalanced dataset.

```
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
x_train, x_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(x, y, test_size=0.30, random_state=42)
iso_forest= IsolationForest(n_estimators=10, max_samples=len(x_train), random_state=42, verbose=0
```

iso\_forest.fit(x\_train,y\_train)
baseline fraud predictions = iso forest.predict(x test)

baseline\_fraud\_predictions[baseline\_fraud\_predictions == 1] = 0
baseline\_fraud\_predictions[baseline\_fraud\_predictions== -1] = 1

baseline\_fraud\_predictions

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#### # Evaluate baseline model

print(f"Baseline Accuracy: {accuracy\_score(y\_test, baseline\_fraud\_predictions)}")
print(f"Baseline Classification Report:\n {classification\_report(y\_test, baseline\_fraud\_prediction\_report(y\_test, baseline\_fraud\_prediction\_report(y\_test,

#### # Confusion matrix for baseline

cm = confusion\_matrix(y\_test, baseline\_fraud\_predictions)
sns.heatmap(pd.DataFrame(cm, index=['Not Fraud', 'Fraud'], columns=['Not Fraud', 'Fraud']), anno
plt.title('Baseline Confusion Matrix')
plt.show()

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# Baseline Accuracy: 0.9969453319757031

Baseline Classification Report:

Not Fraud

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	1.00	1.00	1.00	85307
1	0.22	0.37	0.28	136
accuracy			1.00	85443
macro avg	0.61	0.68	0.64	85443
weighted avg	1.00	1.00	1.00	85443

**Baseline Confusion Matrix** 





Fraud

**Observation:** 115 cases of fraudulent transactions have been misclassified as non fraudulent while 57 were classified correctly. The scores for non-fraudulent data are misleading: With a probability of 99,87% of a transaction being non-fraudulant the model could classify all transactions as such and still achieve a 99,87% accuracy.

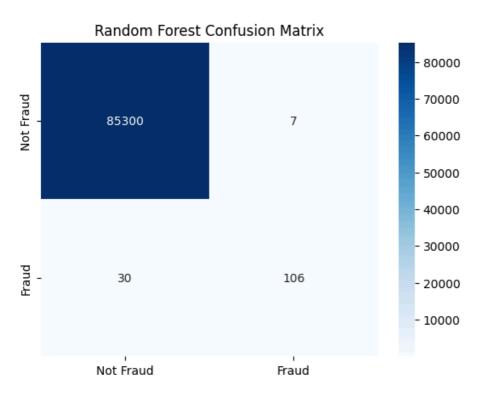
### Random Forest Classifier Comparison

Will the scores for detecting fraud improve after using SMOTE upsampling technique?

```
# Splitting the dataset into training and testing sets
x_train, x_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(x, y, test_size=0.30, random_state=42)
# Initialize the RandomForestClassifier also note: n estimators is a tenth than that
#of the isolation forest due to time eficiancy.
rf_classifier = RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators=10, random_state=42)
# Train the model on the training data
rf_classifier.fit(x_train, y_train)
# Make predictions on the test data
rf_fraud_predictions = rf_classifier.predict(x_test)
# Evaluate the model
print(f"Random Forest Accuracy: {accuracy_score(y_test, rf_fraud_predictions)}")
print(f"Classification Report:\n {classification_report(y_test, rf_fraud_predictions)}")
# Confusion matrix for Random Forest
cm_rf = confusion_matrix(y_test, rf_fraud_predictions)
sns.heatmap(pd.DataFrame(cm rf, index=['Not Fraud', 'Fraud'], columns=['Not Fraud', 'Fraud']), a
plt.title('Random Forest Confusion Matrix')
plt.show()
```

Random Forest Accuracy: 0.9995669627705019

Classification	report: precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	1.00	1.00	1.00	85307
1	0.94	0.78	0.85	136
accuracy			1.00	85443
macro avg	0.97	0.89	0.93	85443
weighted avg	1.00	1.00	1.00	85443



# Using custom found upsampling method.

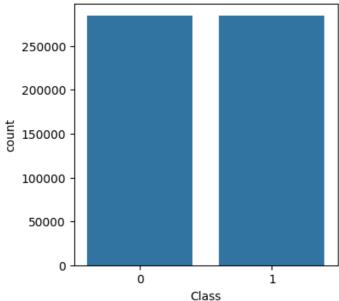
Inspired by VAE, random samples can be drawn from a distribution. Assuming features follow that distribution and sampling from them (retrieving a random variable for each feature distribution) kan make the data seem the same as its sampled from the same probability of X given N(mu,sigma)

```
# Separate majority and minority classes before train-test split
minority_class = df[df['Class'] == 1] # Fraudulent transactions (minority class)
majority_class = df[df['Class'] == 0] # Non-fraudulent transactions (majority class)
# Compute the mean and variance for each feature in the minority class
means = minority class.mean()
variances = minority class.var()
# Number of synthetic samples to generate to balance the classes
num_synthetic_samples = len(majority_class) - len(minority_class)
# Generate synthetic samples by sampling from a normal distribution
synthetic_data = np.random.normal(loc=means, scale=np.sqrt(variances), size=(num_synthetic_sample
# Convert synthetic data to DataFrame and assign column names
synthetic df = pd.DataFrame(synthetic data, columns=minority class.columns)
# Ensure the 'Class' column is set to 1 for the synthetic data (fraud)
synthetic_df['Class'] = 1
# Concatenate the original minority class and synthetic samples
upsampled_minority_class = pd.concat([minority_class, synthetic_df])
# Combine the upsampled minority class with the majority class to create a balanced dataset
balanced_df = pd.concat([majority_class, upsampled_minority_class])
# Check class distribution to confirm it's balanced
plt.figure(figsize=(4, 4))
sns.countplot(x='Class', data=balanced_df)
plt.title('Balanced Dataset: Fraud vs Non-Fraud')
```



plt.show()





```
# Separate features and target
X = balanced_df.drop('Class', axis=1)  # Features only
y = balanced_df['Class']  # Target (Class column)

# Split the balanced data into training and testing sets
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.3, random_state=42)

# Check the class distribution in the training set to ensure balance
plt.figure(figsize=(4, 4))
sns.countplot(x=y_train)
plt.title('Training Set: Class Distribution')
plt.show()
```



```
# Train a model (e.g., Random Forest)
clf = RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators=10, random_state=42)
clf.fit(X_train, y_train)

# Make predictions on the test set
y_pred = clf.predict(X_test)

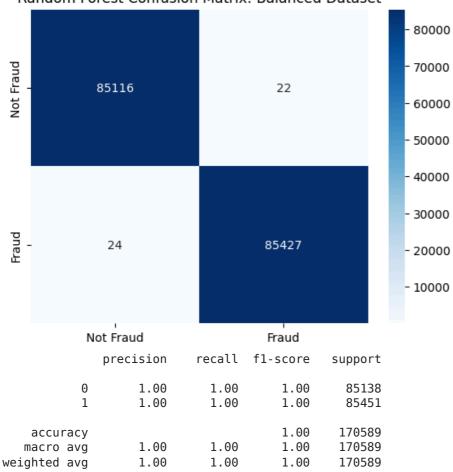
# Evaluate the model
# Confusion matrix for Random Forest
cm_rf = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred)
sns.heatmap(pd.DataFrame(cm_rf, index=['Not Fraud', 'Fraud'], columns=['Not Fraud', 'Fraud']), ar
plt.title('Random Forest Confusion Matrix: Balanced Dataset')
plt.show()

# Classification_report

    # Classification_report(y_test, y_pred))
```



#### Random Forest Confusion Matrix: Balanced Dataset



```
# Separate features and target
X = df.drop('Class', axis=1)
y = df['Class']
# Split data into training and testing sets
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.3, random_state=42)
# Apply SMOTE to the training data
smote = SMOTE(random_state=42)
X_train_smote, y_train_smote = smote.fit_resample(X_train, y_train)
# Train a model using RandomForestClassifier (or any other model you like)
clf = RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators=10, random_state=42)
clf.fit(X_train_smote, y_train_smote)
# Make predictions on the test data
y_pred = clf.predict(X_test)
# Evaluate the model
print(confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred))
print(classification report(y test, y pred))
# Visualize class balance after SMOTE
plt.figure(figsize=(4,4))
sns.countplot(x=y_train_smote)
plt.title('Class Distribution After SMOTE')
plt.show()
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