USAGE OF MACHINE LEARNING (ML)

OBJECTIVES:

1. PREDICTING MEDIAN HOUSE PRICE USING ML REGRESSION ALGORITHM
2. PREDICTING THE OCCURRENCE OF STROKE USING ML CLASSIFICATION ALGORITHMS

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1. PREDICTING MEDIAN HOUSE PRICE USING ML

- Problem statements:
  - Are you interested in **purchasing property** or planning to **invest in real estate**? Both requires property value appraisal. In locations like Singapore, where land value has a significant impact on the market, making informed decisions becomes crucial.
  - The **market price of a house** can be **determined using Machine Learning techniques**, such as regression models, that analyze various factors like location, size, amenities, and historical sales data to predict a property's value accurately.
- In this study, California Housing dataset (from 1990 California census data) was obtained from Kaggle.
  - 10 key info was obtained from nearly 21,000 houses
  - i.e. **location, ocean proximity, house age, median income, median house value**.

Notes:

Kaggle is a platform for data science and machine learning enthusiasts, researchers, and professionals to collaborate, compete, and share insights. It provides a community-driven environment where users can find and publish datasets, explore and visualize data, and participate in machine learning competitions.

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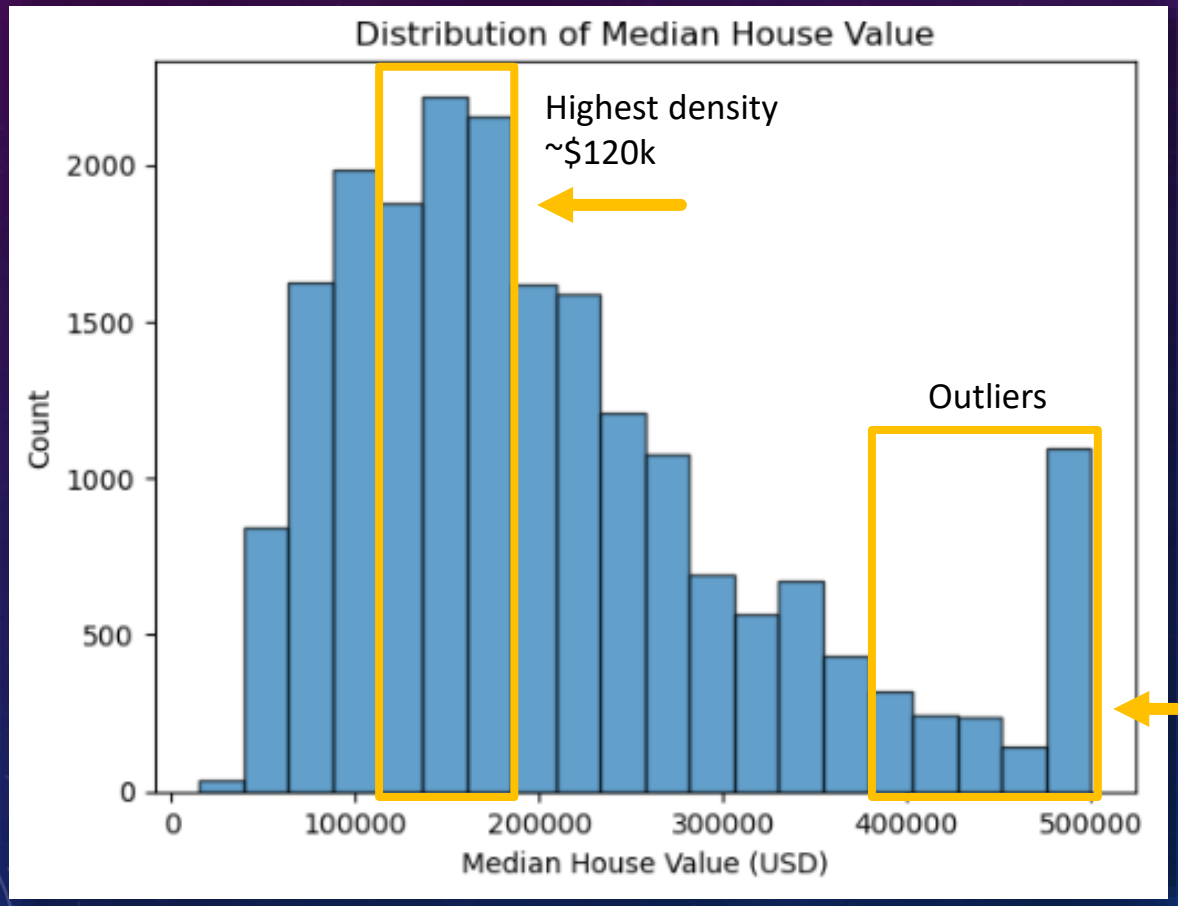
INSIGHTS ON THE CALIFORNIA HOUSING DATA (Y1990)



- Median house price range from $15k to $500k, with the **highest density** lies between **$120k to $180k**.
- Presence of approx. **5% outliers** which shows house value on the pricier side up to $500k.

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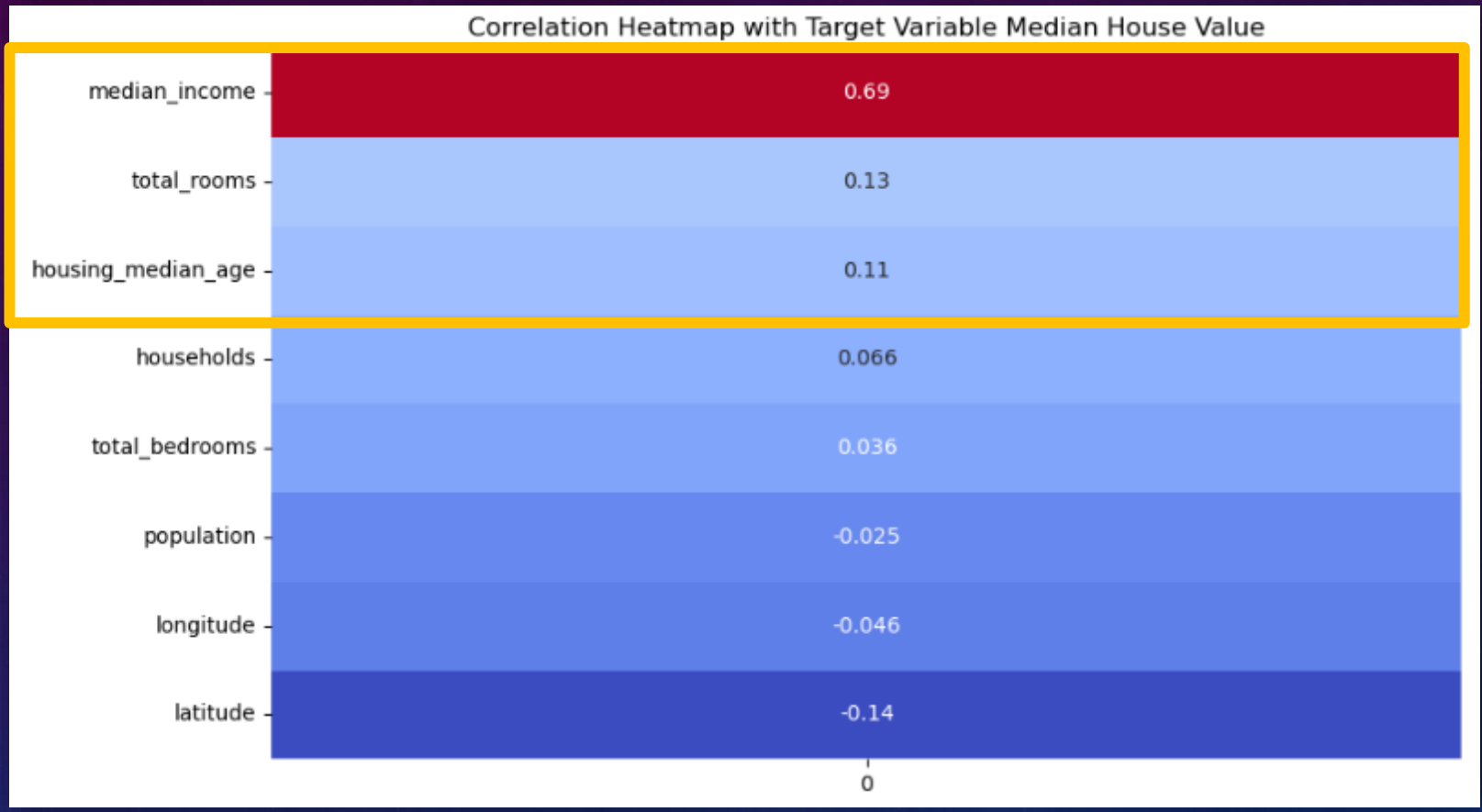

- The **top 3 info** beside ocean proximity that have the **highest correlation** to house value in descending orders are :
  - **Income**
  - **Number of rooms**
  - **House age**

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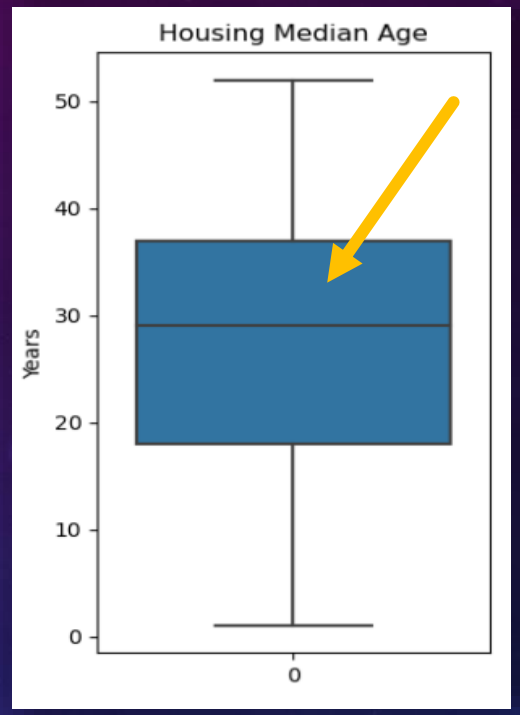
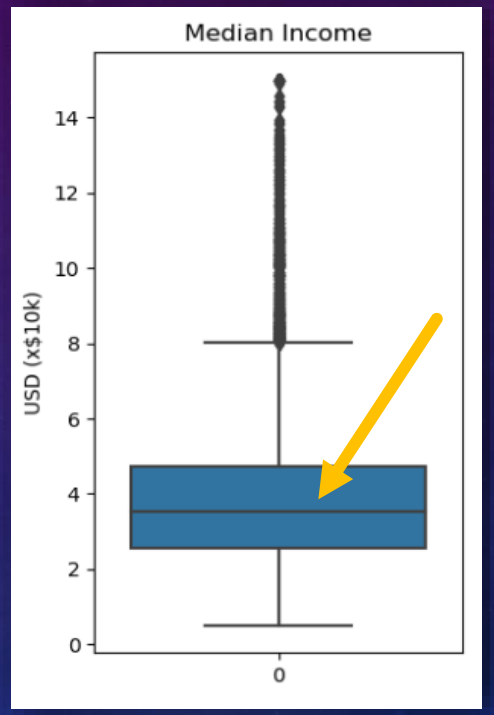


Majority house age between 20 to 30+ years



Majority median income of the household is between **$20k -$50k yearly**.

- At a hindsight, a family earning $35k yearly is likely to be able to afford a $120k house of approx. 30 years old.

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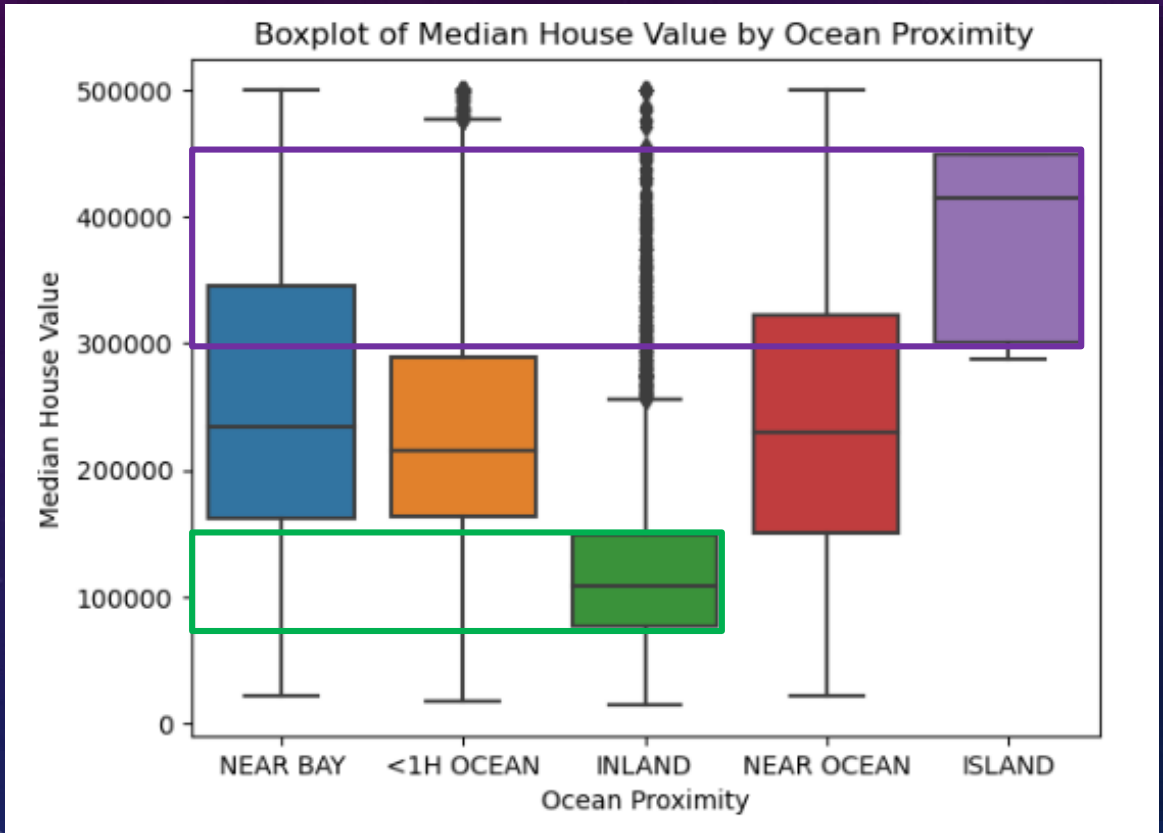
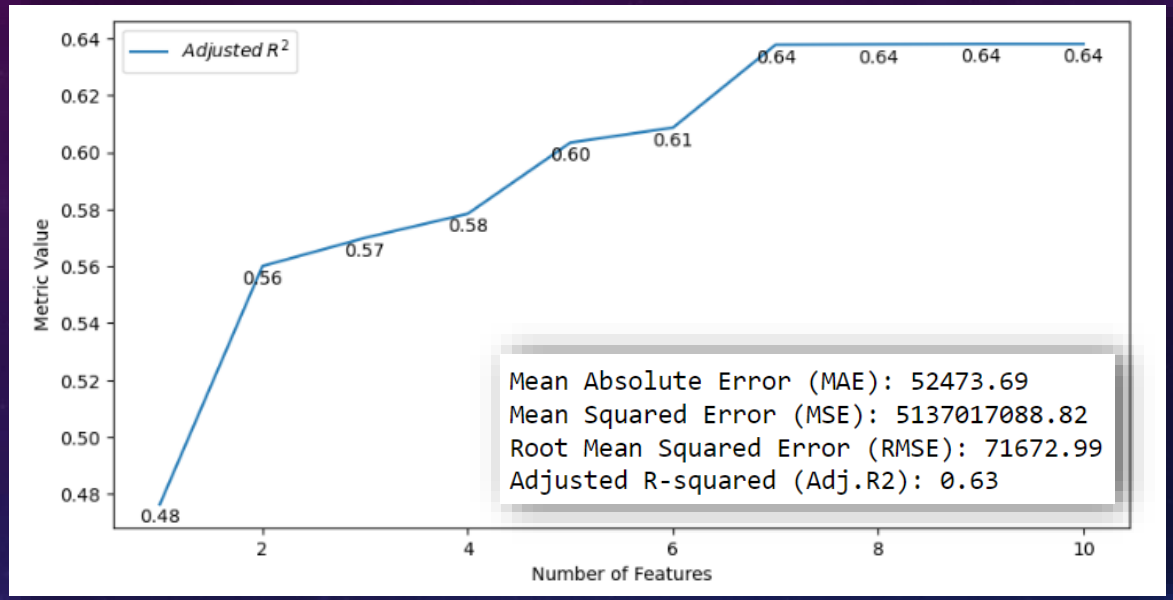
So, does an ocean view means pricier house?



- From data, **house on island** fetch **highest value** (**$300k - $450k**).
- Followed closely by house near bay, near ocean and <1 hour drive from ocean respectively.
- In general, **inland house** is **cheapest** in general, from **$90k**, with some unique cases of reaching $500k.
  - These outliers could be properties with exceptionally large sizes or unique features that justify their higher prices.

MACHINE LEARNING RESULT – LINEAR REGRESSION MODEL



- Model was **trained using Linear Regression (LR) Algorithm** – using **forward feature selection** of all info except house value and cross-validated.
- Model accuracy of a LR can be checked using the evaluation metrics. MSE value show that a large error is to be expected.
- From MAE & RMSE, the model's **predictions are off by $50-$70k** in terms of median house value.

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	Training R2	Test R2	Training RMSE	Test RMSE
1	0.635251	0.638116	69530.642205	70043.796111
2	0.640800	0.613917	69178.226996	71616.559595
3	0.641102	0.613560	69376.904635	70674.581745
4	0.631952	0.651167	70009.771739	68134.530496
5	0.630981	0.654823	69981.333296	68242.216508

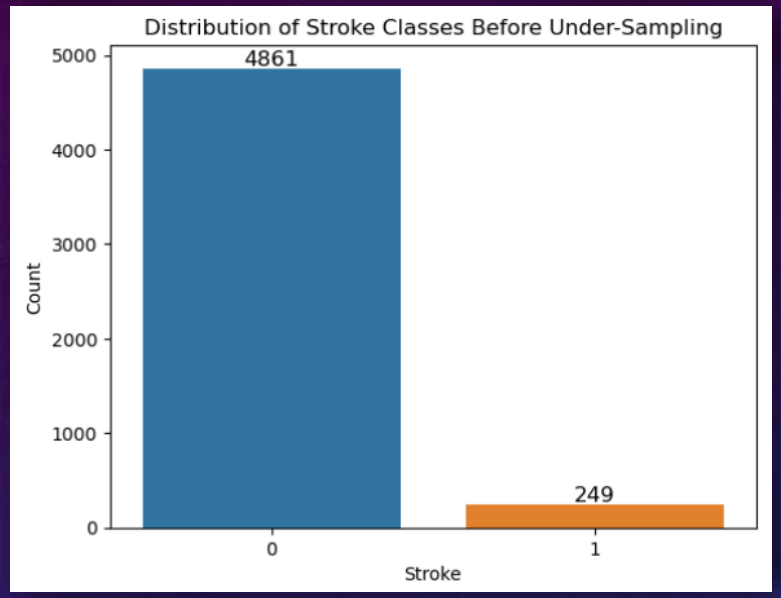
- **Similar R2 training and testing results** indicate the model's **consistent** and **effective** generalization to new data without overfitting or underfitting.
- R2 value suggests that the model explains about **63% of the variability** in the target variable which is good.
- Model prediction may be further improved with more data on house size & amenities etc

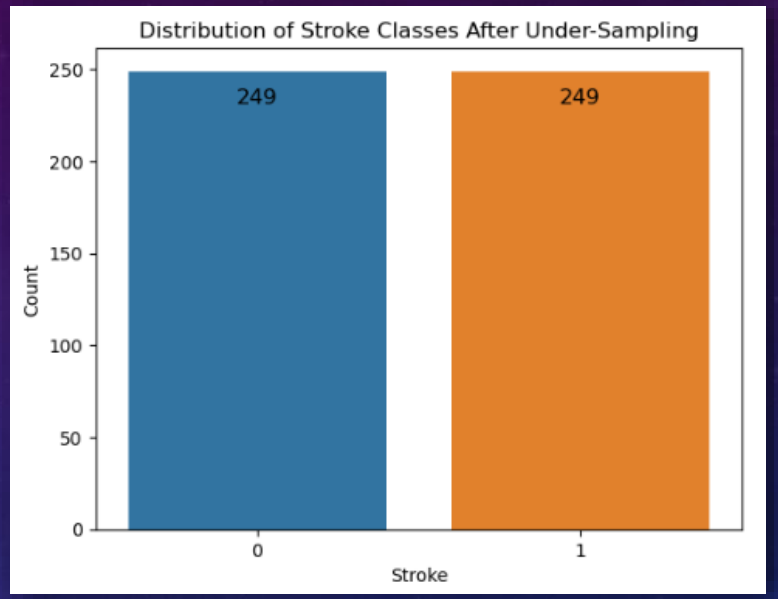
2. PREDICTING THE OCCURRENCE OF STROKE

- Problem Statements:
  - In our community, a vital concern is **identifying individuals at risk of strokes** before it's too late, as strokes can lead to severe outcomes.
  - For doctors, this can **help to set priority** on which patients to focus on **based on likelihood of stroke occurrence**.
  - This is where machine learning steps in – a proactive approach that analyzes comprehensive medical and lifestyle data. By uncovering hidden patterns and connections, machine learning enhances the accuracy of identifying risks, offering a promising way to save lives within our community.

- Health care dataset was obtained from Kaggle, provided by Fedesoriano in 2020.
  - 11 key info was obtained from over 5,000 patients
  - i.e. **age, history of hypertension, heart disease** and **smoking status** are among the key info.

INSIGHTS ON THE HEALTH CARE DATA (Y2020)





Notes:

- While experimenting with class weight balancing, the model frequently exhibited a bias towards predicting no strokes, rendering it ineffective.
- The utilization of oversampling techniques like SMOTE was avoided to prevent the introduction of synthetic patterns that could potentially distort the natural distribution of data.

- The **original dataset** was **severely skewed towards no stroke patient (95%)**. In stroke prediction through machine learning, having a balanced dataset is indeed essential to prevent bias and ensure accurate model performance and real-world applicability.
- **Undersampling method** is applied to balance the dataset. While 90% of data was sacrificed, the trade-off is justified to effectively addresses the under-represented class.

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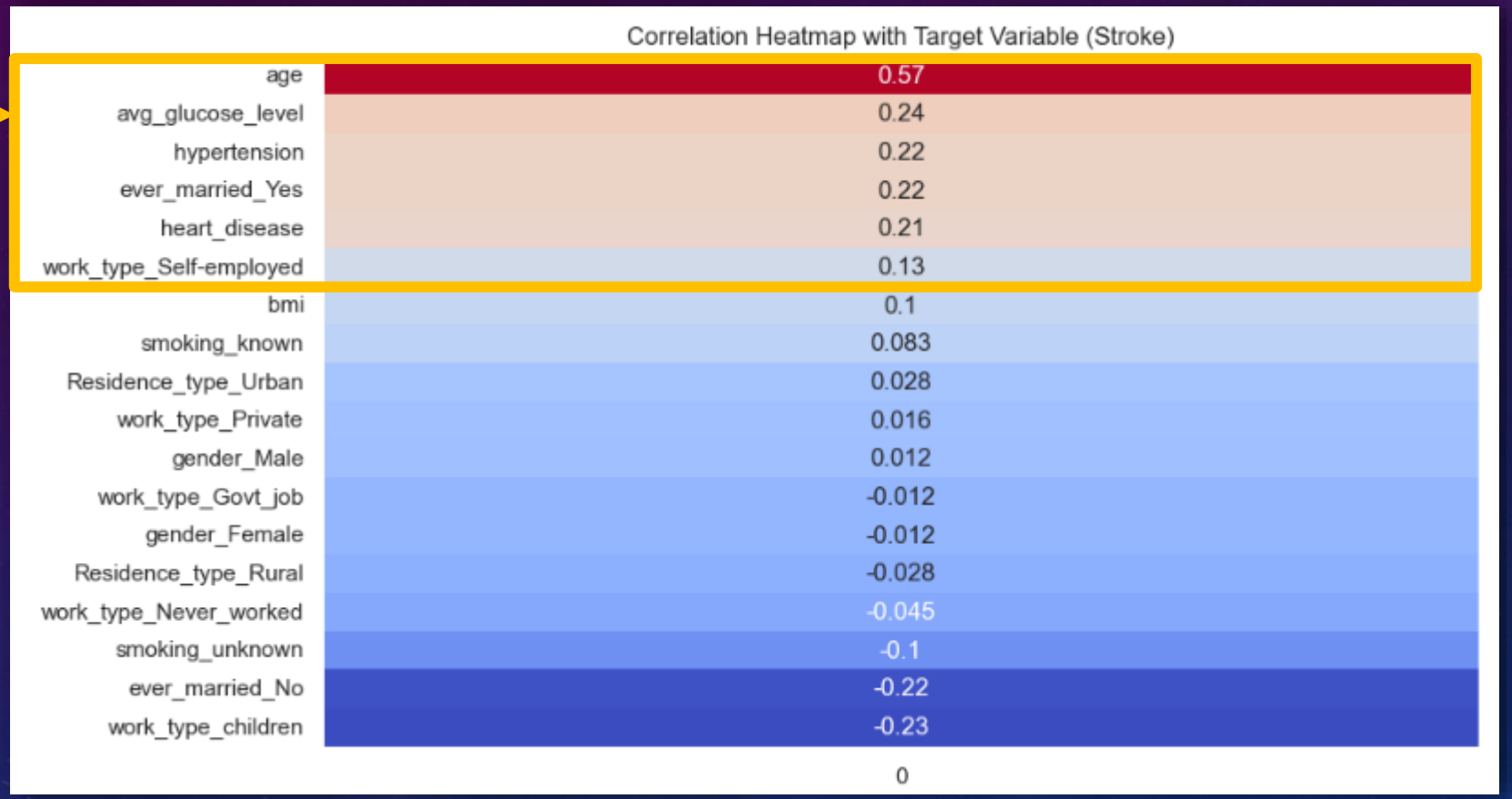
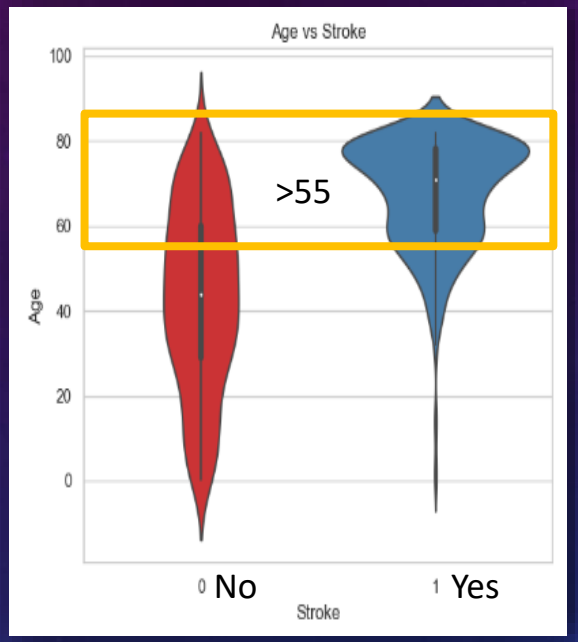
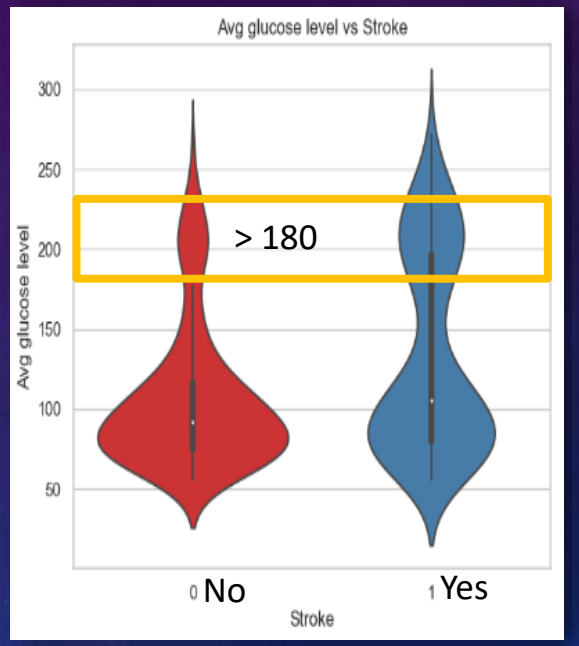


- The **top 6** info that have the highest correlation to stroke in descending orders are :
  - **Age**
  - **Average glucose level**
  - **Hypertension & Being married**
  - **Heart disease**
  - **Being self employed**

INSIGHTS ON THE HEALTH CARE DATA (Y2020) – CONT.

A closer look at Top 5 info with highest correlation





- Upon closer examination, individuals **over the age of 55** and **average glucose level >180** are notably more **prone to experiencing a stroke** (wider spread observed from violin plot).

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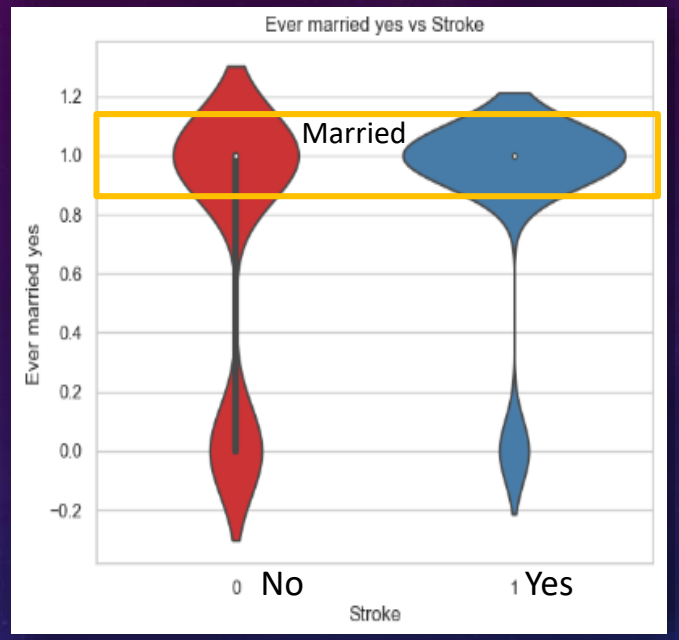

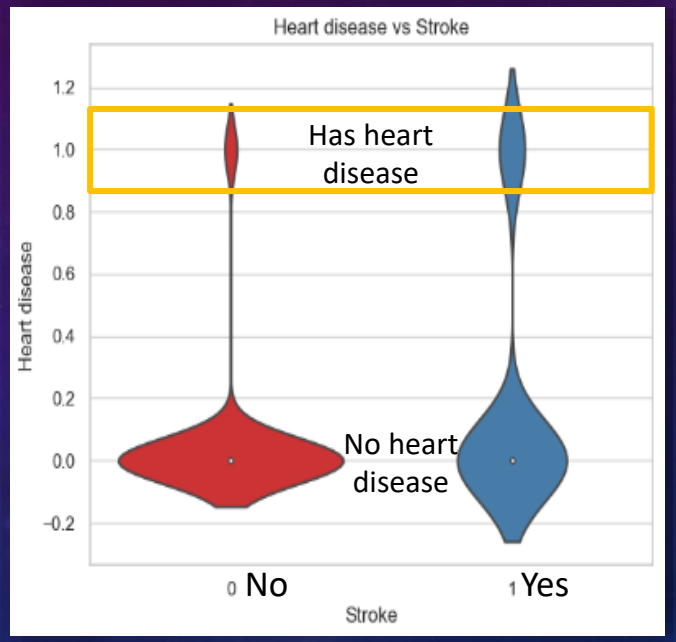

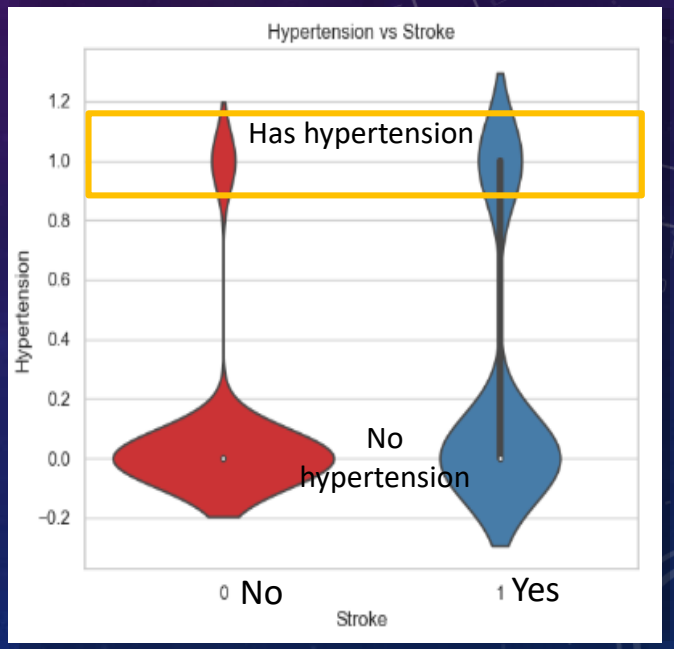

- While **being married** and having a **history of hypertension** and **heart disease** does not guarantee a stroke, data shows that these does **elevate the chances**.

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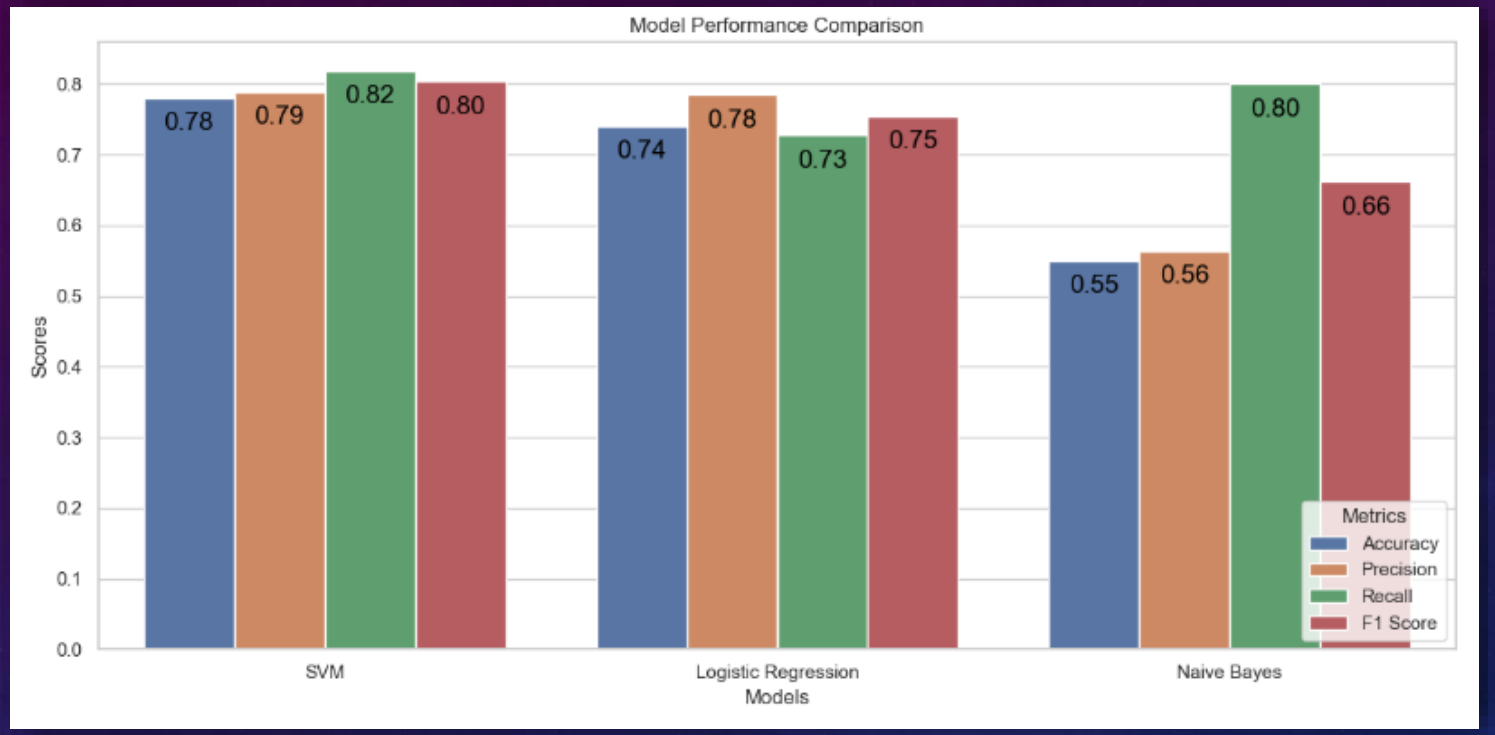
MACHINE LEARNING RESULT



Quick study on metrics used:

- Accuracy provides an overall gauge of stroke prediction model's performance
- Precision helps avoid false positive predictions
- Recall helps avoid missing actual stroke cases
- F1 score offers a way to strike a balance between precision and recall based on study specific priorities.

- Model was trained using 3 commonly used algorithms; Support Vector Machine (SVM), Logistic Regression and Naïve Bayes.
- Out of the 3 algorithms chosen, the best performing model is **SVM (scaled)** with **highest score** across all 4 metrics tested with **78% accuracy on test data**.

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End of Presentation. Thank you.

Q&As Session

Dataset, codes & models are available in GitHub Link:
https://github.com/EmmaT0611/mp2_supervisedmachinelearning

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APPENDIX 1.

Key Info from California Housing Dataset Explained:

1. Longitude: A measure of how far west a house is; a higher value is farther west
2. Latitude: A measure of how far north a house is; a higher value is farther north
3. Housing Median Age: Median age of a house within a district; a lower number is a newer building
4. Total Rooms: Total number of rooms within a district
5. Total Bedrooms: Total number of bedrooms within a district
6. Population: Total number of people residing within a district
7. Households: Total number of households, a group of people residing within a home unit, for a district
8. Median Income: Median income for households within a district of houses (measured in tens of thousands of US Dollars)
9. Median House Value: Median house value for households within a district (measured in US Dollars)
10. Ocean Proximity: Location of the house with respect to ocean/sea

APPENDIX 2.

Key Info from Health Care Dataset Explained:

- Gender: "Male", "Female" or "Other"
- Age: age of the patient
- Hypertension: 0 if the patient doesn't have hypertension, 1 if the patient has hypertension
- Heart_disease: 0 if the patient doesn't have any heart diseases, 1 if the patient has a heart disease
- Ever_married: "No" or "Yes"
- Work_type: "children", "Govt_job", "Never_worked", "Private" or "Self-employed"
- Residence_type: "Rural" or "Urban"
- Avg_glucose_level: average glucose level in blood
- Bmi: body mass index
- Smoking_status: "formerly smoked", "never smoked", "smokes" or "Unknown"*
- 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

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