Covid_predictions

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1 COVID Predictions

In this short project, I aim to build a classification model that indicates whether a patient is at high risk due to covid or not. I will use a dataset from Kaggle, provided under a creative commons licence.

Note about this Jupyter Notebook

• In tackling this problem, I will employ a workflow inspired from the workflow in Appendix A of the "Hands-On Machine Learningwith Sci-kit Learn, Keras and Tensorflo", Third Edition by Aurelien Geron: https://www.oreilly.com/library/view/hands-on-machine-learning/9781098125967/

1.1 Workflow

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2 0. Frame the problem

The goal is to develop a predictive model for COVID-19 high risk patients based on historical data. I will attempt to find a modelling approach that (i) gives a specified cut-off for high-risk patients and (ii) returns a probability model together with a confidence interval that a patient is at high risk. The decision will be based only on the variables provided in this dataset, such that, if new data becomes available or different data is fed the model can be externally validated. An evaluation function consisisting of several metrics will be used to internally validate the model. After cleaning the data, I will make training/test set splits for evaluation. After testing many models on the validation set, the best one (the model that gives best performance in terms of its generalization error) will be selected. Finally, some conclusions and interpretation of results will be offered with this notebook.

The data can be found at Kaggle: https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/meirnizri/covid19-dataset/

According to Kaggle: "The raw dataset consists of 21 different features and 1,048,576 unique patients. In the Boolean features, 1 means "yes" and 2 means "no". values as 97 and 99 are missing data."

Info about the dataset, including a dictionary is given on Kaggle: https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/meirnizri/covid19-dataset/

For ease of access, we reproduce it here:

"The dataset was provided by the Mexican government (link). This dataset contains an enormous number of anonymized patient-related information including pre-conditions. The raw dataset consists of 21 unique features and 1,048,576 unique patients. In the Boolean features, 1 means "yes" and 2 means "no". values as 97 and 99 are missing data.

- sex: 1 for female and 2 for male.
- age: of the patient.
- classification: covid test findings. Values 1-3 mean that the patient was diagnosed with covid in different -degrees. 4 or higher means that the patient is not a carrier of covid or that the test is inconclusive.
- patient type: type of care the patient received in the unit. 1 for returned home and 2 for hospitalization.
- pneumonia: whether the patient already have air sacs inflammation or not.
- pregnancy: whether the patient is pregnant or not.
- diabetes: whether the patient has diabetes or not.
- copd: Indicates whether the patient has Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease or not.
- asthma: whether the patient has asthma or not.
- inmsupr: whether the patient is immunosuppressed or not.
- hypertension: whether the patient has hypertension or not.
- cardiovascular: whether the patient has heart or blood vessels related disease.
- renal chronic: whether the patient has chronic renal disease or not.
- other disease: whether the patient has other disease or not.
- obesity: whether the patient is obese or not.
- tobacco: whether the patient is a tobacco user.
- usmr: Indicates whether the patient treated medical units of the first, second or third level.
- medical unit: type of institution of the National Health System that provided the care.
- intubed: whether the patient was connected to the ventilator.
- icu: Indicates whether the patient had been admitted to an Intensive Care Unit.
- date died: If the patient died indicate the date of death, and 9999-99-99 otherwise."

Before proceeding further, let's import the necessary libraries for data manipulation and visualization, together with an automatic EDA tool: ydata profiling

```
[1]: import pandas as pd
  import numpy as np
  import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
  import seaborn as sns
  from ydata_profiling import ProfileReport
  %matplotlib inline
```

3 1. Inspect and Clean the Data

3.1 Get the Data

I will use the data from Kaggle (it can be found in the link at the top of this notebook). But first, I will write a function that download the data directly from there.

```
[2]: import os
from kaggle.api.kaggle_api_extended import KaggleApi

def download_kaggle_dataset(dataset):
    api = KaggleApi()
    api.authenticate()
```

```
## Create a directory to store the data
os.makedirs('kaggle_covid_data', exist_ok=True)

## Download the dataset
api.dataset_download_files(dataset, path='kaggle_covid_data', unzip=True)

## Use the function defined above to download the dataset
## It is sufficient to use the dataset identifier found in the dataset URL
download_kaggle_dataset('meirnizri/covid19-dataset/')
```

We upload the data into a dataframe

```
[3]: covid_df = pd.read_csv('kaggle_covid_data/Covid Data.csv')
```

Let's create a copy of the data, to preserve the original dataframe in case it is needed later for comparison.

```
[4]: covid = covid_df.copy()
```

Let us have a quick look at the data

```
[5]: ##evaluating the first 10 rows of the dataframe covid.head(10)
```

[5]:	USMER	MEDICAL_UNIT	SEX	PATIENT_TYPE	DATE_DIED	INTUBED	PNEUMONIA	\
0	2	1	1	1	03/05/2020	97	1	
1	2	1	2	1	03/06/2020	97	1	
2	2	1	2	2	09/06/2020	1	2	
3	2	1	1	1	12/06/2020	97	2	
4	2	1	2	1	21/06/2020	97	2	
5	2	1	1	2	9999-99-99	2	1	
6	2	1	1	1	9999-99-99	97	2	
7	2	1	1	1	9999-99-99	97	1	
8	2	1	1	2	9999-99-99	2	2	
9	2	1	1	2	9999-99-99	2	2	

	AGE	PREGNANT	DIABETES	•••	ASTHMA	INMSUPR	HIPERTENSION	OTHER_DISEASE	\
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4	1 68	97	1		2	2	1	2	
Ę	5 40	2	2		2	2	2	2	
6	64	2	2		2	2	2	2	
7	7 64	2	1		2	1	1	2	
8	3 37	2	1		2	2	1	2	
ç	9 25	2	2		2	2	2	2	

	CARDIOVASCULAR	OBESITY	RENAL_CHRONIC	TOBACCO	CLASIFFICATION_FINAL	ICU
0	2	2	2	2	3	97
1	2	1	1	2	5	97
2	2	2	2	2	3	2
3	2	2	2	2	7	97
4	2	2	2	2	3	97
5	2	2	2	2	3	2
6	2	2	2	2	3	97
7	2	2	1	2	3	97
8	2	1	2	2	3	2
9	2	2	2	2	3	2

[10 rows x 21 columns]

[6]: ##looking at the last 10 rows of the dataframe covid.tail(10)

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	1048567	1			13	1			2	9999-9	99-99		2		
	1048568	1			13	2			1	9999-9	99-99		97		
	1048569	1			13	1			2	9999-9	9-99		2		
	1048570	2			13	2			1	9999-9	9-99		97		
	1048571	1			13	2			2	9999-9	9-99		2		
	1048572	2			13	2			1	9999-9	9-99		97		
	1048573	2			13	2			1	9999-9	99-99		97		
	1048574	2			13	2			1	9999-9	99-99		97		
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	1048567		2	23		2		1	•••	2		2			
	1048568		2	47		97		1	•••	2		2			
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	1048567			2			2			2	1			2	
	1048568			2			2			2	2			2	
	1048569			2			2			2	2	2		2	

1048570	2	2	2	2	2
1048571	1	2	2	2	2
1048572	2	2	2	2	2
1048573	2	2	2	2	2
1048574	2	2	2	2	2

	TOBACCO	CLASIFFICATION_FINAL	ICU
1048565	2	7	97
1048566	2	7	97
1048567	2	7	2
1048568	2	7	97
1048569	2	7	2
1048570	2	7	97
1048571	2	7	2
1048572	2	7	97
1048573	2	7	97
1048574	2	7	97

[10 rows x 21 columns]

[7]: ##shape of the dataframe covid.shape

[7]: (1048575, 21)

Note: There are 1048575 observations (rows) and 21 columns

Are there any null values? Let's further investigate this in order to find a way to deal with them. This is because Machine Learning models to not handle well missing (NaN) values.

[8]: ##this shows the data types of the columns covid.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 1048575 entries, 0 to 1048574
Data columns (total 21 columns):

	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	•	
#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	USMER	1048575 non-null	int64
1	MEDICAL_UNIT	1048575 non-null	int64
2	SEX	1048575 non-null	int64
3	PATIENT_TYPE	1048575 non-null	int64
4	DATE_DIED	1048575 non-null	object
5	INTUBED	1048575 non-null	int64
6	PNEUMONIA	1048575 non-null	int64
7	AGE	1048575 non-null	int64
8	PREGNANT	1048575 non-null	int64
9	DIABETES	1048575 non-null	int64
10	COPD	1048575 non-null	int64

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11 ASTHMA
                         1048575 non-null int64
12 INMSUPR
                         1048575 non-null int64
13 HIPERTENSION
                         1048575 non-null
                                          int64
14 OTHER_DISEASE
                         1048575 non-null int64
15 CARDIOVASCULAR
                         1048575 non-null int64
16 OBESITY
                         1048575 non-null int64
17 RENAL CHRONIC
                         1048575 non-null int64
18 TOBACCO
                         1048575 non-null int64
19 CLASIFFICATION_FINAL 1048575 non-null int64
20
                         1048575 non-null int64
```

dtypes: int64(20), object(1)
memory usage: 168.0+ MB

Observation: There are object, integer and float data.

```
[9]: covid_isnull = covid.isnull().sum()
    covid_isnull
```

[9]:	USMER	0			
	MEDICAL_UNIT	0			
	SEX	0			
	PATIENT_TYPE	0			
	DATE_DIED	0			
	INTUBED	0			
	PNEUMONIA	0			
	AGE	0			
	PREGNANT	0			
	DIABETES	0			
	COPD	0			
	ASTHMA				
	INMSUPR	0			
	HIPERTENSION	0			
	OTHER_DISEASE	0			
	CARDIOVASCULAR	0			
	OBESITY	0			
	RENAL_CHRONIC	0			
	TOBACCO	0			
	CLASIFFICATION_FINAL	0			
	ICU	0			
	dtype: int64				

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3.2 Data Profiling

There are no null values. We can run a profile report to see any interesting trends in the data

```
[10]: html_report = ProfileReport(covid)
html_report.to_file(output_file='covid_data.html')
```

Summarize dataset: 0%| | 0/5 [00:00<?, ?it/s]

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Generate report structure: 0% | 0/1 [00:00<?, ?it/s]
```

Render HTML: 0%| | 0/1 [00:00<?, ?it/s]

Export report to file: 0%| | 0/1 [00:00<?, ?it/s]

```
[11]: html_report
```

<IPython.core.display.HTML object>

[11]:

Observations on Profile Report:

- We have 5.3% duplicate rows
- Several categorical columns are highly imbalanced
- There are no null values, but missing values are marked as 98, 99
- We have "1" for positive and "2" for negative (with other numbers signifying no data)
- The Age of the patient closely resembles a normal distribution
- Pregnancy status is largely missing
- There is a relatively small number of missing observations regarding comorbidity : diabetes, copd, asthma etc
- Classification Final (according to the dictionary) shows covid status; for our purposes, I must create new, well-defined categories based on the data in this column that will serve as targets and inform of the severity of covid
- Apparently, there are high correlations between columns indicating diseases
- There are 55672 duplicate rows (approx 5.3%): these provide no value and must be eliminated from the dataframe

In the following, I will start cleaning the data. After the data is clean, I can create a test set and a validation set right away and begin experimenting on the training set. The successfull transformations will be integrated into a pipeline and applied to the data - this is to ensure the data is ready to be fed to any ML model. For exploration, I will create a copy of the data. Once the final pipeline is made, it will be applied on any covid data.

The plan for the cleaning is:

- replace "2" with "0" and any other numbers in categorical numbers with NaN : please note that encoding "no" as 0 instead of "2" is a personal choice meant to increase interpretability of the data
- clarify male/female categories: I will create explicit categories showing the sex of the patient
- drop duplicates

3.3 Bring Missing Values to a Consistent Format

```
dtype='object')
```

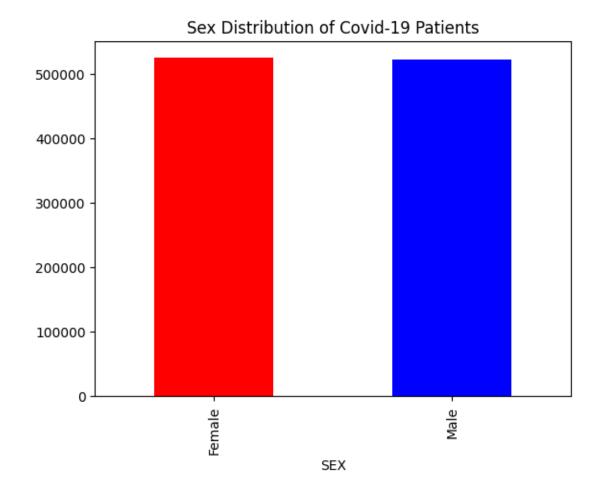
As a first step, let us replace the "2" with "0", so the columns can become one-hot encoded

```
[13]: ##replace "2" with 0 in categorical columns that show the presence of a symptom
      covid['USMER'].replace(2,0, inplace=True)
      covid['INTUBED'].replace(2,0, inplace=True)
      covid['PNEUMONIA'].replace(2,0, inplace=True)
      covid['DIABETES'].replace(2,0, inplace=True)
      covid['COPD'].replace(2,0, inplace=True)
      covid['ASTHMA'].replace(2,0, inplace=True)
      covid['INMSUPR'].replace(2,0, inplace=True)
      covid['HIPERTENSION'].replace(2,0, inplace=True)
      covid['OTHER_DISEASE'].replace(2,0, inplace=True)
      covid['CARDIOVASCULAR'].replace(2,0, inplace=True)
      covid['OBESITY'].replace(2,0, inplace=True)
      covid['RENAL_CHRONIC'].replace(2,0, inplace=True)
      covid['TOBACCO'].replace(2,0, inplace=True)
      covid['ICU'].replace(2,0, inplace=True)
      covid['PREGNANT'].replace(2,0, inplace=True)
```

Let's replace the sex with Male(2) or Female(1)

```
[14]: covid["SEX"] = covid['SEX'].astype('string')
covid['SEX'].replace({"1": 'Female', "2": 'Male'}, inplace=True)
```

```
[15]: covid["SEX"].value_counts().plot(kind='bar', color=['red', 'blue'])
    plt.title("Sex Distribution of Covid-19 Patients")
    plt.show()
```



Observe:

- we have succesfully replaced the two distributions with "Male" and "Female"
- the distributions are roughly equal, so there is no sex that is less affected

Let's also make it clear if the patient was sent home(1) or hospitalized(2)

```
[16]: covid["PATIENT_TYPE"] = covid['PATIENT_TYPE'].astype('string')
covid['PATIENT_TYPE'].replace({"1": 'Home', "2": 'Hospital'}, inplace=True)
```

To understand how severe a particular covid case was, it is very important to understand if the patient died or not. Let us create two columns that one-hot encode whether the patient passed away

```
[17]: covid["Lower_Risk"] = covid["DATE_DIED"].apply(lambda x: 1 if x == "9999-99-99" covid["Higher_Risk"] = covid["DATE_DIED"].apply(lambda x: 1 if x != "9999-99-99" else 0)
```

Observe: Based on whether the patients died or survived, I chose to encode the patients as

"Higher_Risk" or "Lower_Risk". The ratinale is that we can infer the patients who were at high_risk based on the information on whether they survived or not.

Finally, let us get rid of missing data. Instead of 97 or 98 in our categorical columns, let us fill the values with NaN. Then, based on the number of NaN and the underlying distributions, let's make decisions on how to deal with them.

```
[18]: covid.replace({97: np.nan, 98: np.nan, 99: np.nan}, inplace=True)
```

Now, let us see how many NaN (null) values we have for each row and decide the best strategy to deal with them

[19]:	covid.isnull().sum()	

[19]:	USMER	0
	MEDICAL_UNIT	0
	SEX	0
	PATIENT_TYPE	0
	DATE_DIED	0
	INTUBED	855869
	PNEUMONIA	16003
	AGE	345
	PREGNANT	527265
	DIABETES	3338
	COPD	3003
	ASTHMA	2979
	INMSUPR	3404
	HIPERTENSION	3104
	OTHER_DISEASE	5045
	CARDIOVASCULAR	3076
	OBESITY	3032
	RENAL_CHRONIC	3006
	TOBACCO	3220
	CLASIFFICATION_FINAL	0
	ICU	856032
	Lower_Risk	0
	Higher_Risk	0
	dtype: int64	

Observe:

- \bullet The "INTUBED" and "ICU" and "PREGNANT" have over 80% missing values; they do follow the distributions observed in the EDA
- For the remaining columns we have at most 0.5% null values.
- there are multiple options for dealling with missing data

3.4 Examining Missing Data

The first step in dealing with missing data, is to understand if there is a pattern. Data may be missing at random (for example, due to imputation errors) or it might be connected to the other

observations. For example, a missing entry for "INTUBED" may also be accompanied by a missing entry in "ICU". The data for "PREGNANT" should necessarily be correlated with the category "FEMALE". In any case, any particular imputation method should be informed by the data. The strategy to do this is as follows:

- 1. Look at the distributions of the features with missing and understand if there is any patterns that emerge
- 2. Use a *missingness* correlation. This indicates whether missing data in one column predicts the existence of missing data in another column

Information on the missingno library that provides a small toolset for understanding and visualizing data can be found at: https://github.com/ResidentMario/missingno

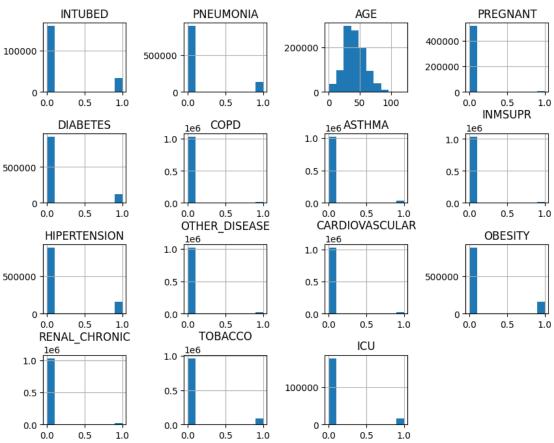
```
[20]: ##select columns with missing data
      ##seelct numerical features
      num_features = covid.select_dtypes(include=[np.number])
      ##seelct feature with no missing data
      num_features_no_missing = num_features.dropna(axis=1)
      ##select features with missing data
      num features missing = num features.drop(num features no missing.columns,
       ⇒axis=1)
[21]: ##these are the columns with no missing data
      num features no missing.columns
[21]: Index(['USMER', 'MEDICAL_UNIT', 'CLASIFFICATION_FINAL', 'Lower_Risk',
             'Higher_Risk'],
            dtype='object')
[22]: ##these are the columns with missing data
      num_features_missing.columns
[22]: Index(['INTUBED', 'PNEUMONIA', 'AGE', 'PREGNANT', 'DIABETES', 'COPD', 'ASTHMA',
             'INMSUPR', 'HIPERTENSION', 'OTHER_DISEASE', 'CARDIOVASCULAR', 'OBESITY',
             'RENAL_CHRONIC', 'TOBACCO', 'ICU'],
            dtype='object')
```

Let's not plot the columns with missing data, and the columns with no missing data

```
[23]: ##histograms of the numerical features with missing data
num_features_missing.hist(figsize=(10,8))
plt.subplots_adjust(hspace=0.6, wspace=0.7)
plt.suptitle("Histograms of Numeric Variables with Missing Values",

fontsize=20, y=0.96)
plt.rcParams.update({'font.size': 10})
plt.show()
```



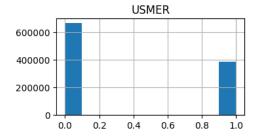


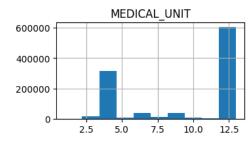
Observe:

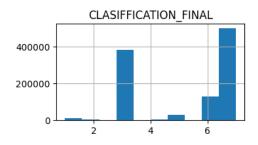
- All distributions are clearly categorical and one-hot encoded
- The categorical distributions are highly skewed, so replacing the data based on most frequent would likely introduce bias

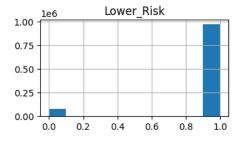
Let's now look at the columns with no missing values and understand how these distributions are shaped.

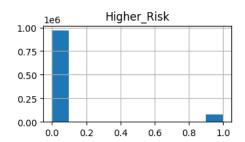
Histograms of Numeric Variables with No Missing Values











Let us check the "PREGNANT" data and it's relation to "SEX". This is easy to check and clean as only "FEMALE" can have positive "PREGNANT"

```
[25]: covid_pregnant_sex = covid[["PREGNANT", "SEX"]]
```

[26]: covid_pregnant_sex[covid_pregnant_sex["SEX"] == 'Male'].value_counts()

[26]: Series([], Name: count, dtype: int64)

[27]: covid_pregnant_sex[covid_pregnant_sex["SEX"] == 'Female'].value_counts()

[27]: PREGNANT SEX

0.0 Female 513179 1.0 Female 8131 Name: count, dtype: int64

There are no "PREGNANT" values associated with "Male", but just in case we can try to clean this

```
[28]: covid.loc[:, 'PREGNANT'] = covid["PREGNANT"].apply(lambda x: 0 if x == 'Male'
→else x)
```

[29]: covid['PREGNANT'].value_counts()

[29]: PREGNANT

0.0 513179 1.0 8131

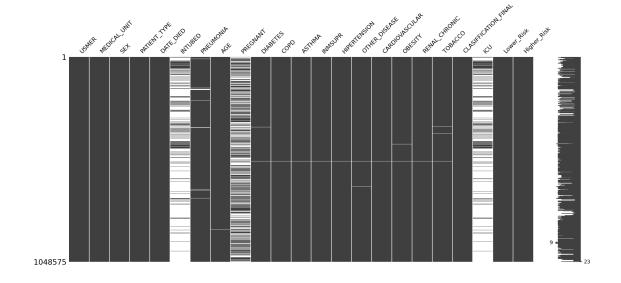
Name: count, dtype: int64

3.5 Missing Values Correlations

```
[30]: import missingno as msno
```

```
[31]: ##plot the missing data points scaterred
plt.figure(figsize=(10,5))
msno.matrix(covid)
plt.show()
```

<Figure size 1000x500 with 0 Axes>

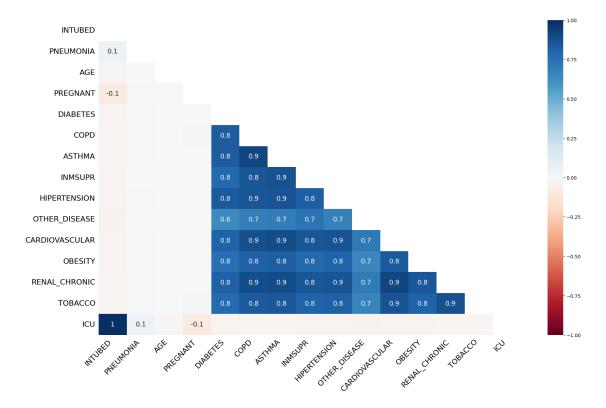


Observe:

- There is clearly a missing pattern in "INTUBED" and "ICU" : the missing values seem perfectly correlated
- The columns dealing with diseases seem to be correlated in terms of missing values

```
[32]: ## plot the missingness correlation heatmap
msno.heatmap(covid)
```

[32]: <Axes: >



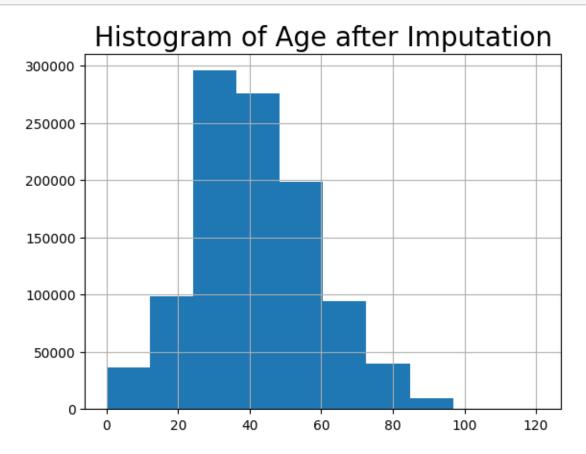
Observation:

- Missing entries for "INTUBED" and "ICU| are perfectly correlated; this is because patients must be admitted to an Intensive Care Unit (ICU) in order to be "INTUBED". Hence, data for these two columns should be treated together
- There is a very high correlation of data missing for all diseases: if there is data missing for one disease, it is very likely missing for all other diseases.
- It seems that "PREGNANT" missing values are not correlated with anything else, this data is probably simply not available

3.6 Dealing with Missing Values

Dealing with missing values can be done in various ways: by dropping rows with missing values, imputing the missing values or inserting some placeholder instead of the missing value. Dropping means that all associated rows will be lost, while imputing does introduce some bias depending on the model used. One smart way to deal with this is to look at the number of missing values and the corresponding distributions and then deal with them individually

The "AGE" column only has 345 missing values, these can be easily be replaced with the median of the column without significantly affecting the distribution. Given the number of missing values in the "AGE" column, this must be a case of missing at random errors



Now, the rest of the columns mostly have a number of missing data that is clearly not at random. This is particularly true of the columns associated to diseases: where one disease is missing, data regarding disease is missing too. This columns should be somehow "marked" as missing, so any algorithm learns differently from them. Let us fill them with some value that indicates missingness

```
[36]: for col in disease_features:
    covid[col].fillna(0.5, inplace=True)
```

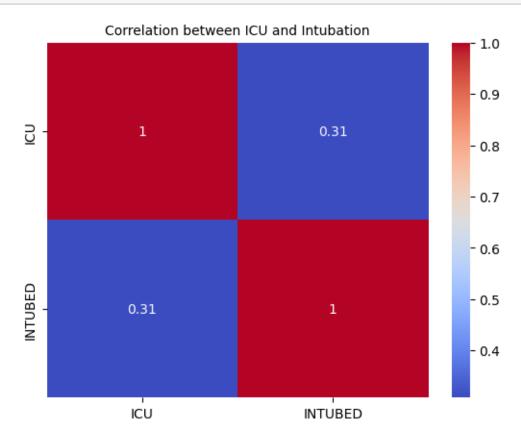
Let's do the same with pregnancy, we introduce 0.5 (between 0 and 1) to indicate a new category of uncertainty. Hence, by 0.5 the value "unknown" is encoded

```
[37]: covid["PREGNANT"].fillna(0.5, inplace=True)
```

Let's now examine "ICU" and "INTUBED" more closey. If the existing values of these categories are also perfectly correlated there is no need to keep both of them into the final dataset.

```
[38]: corr_icu_intubed = covid[['ICU', 'INTUBED']].corr()
```

```
[39]: sns.heatmap(corr_icu_intubed, annot=True, cmap='coolwarm')
plt.title("Correlation between ICU and Intubation", fontsize=10)
plt.show()
```



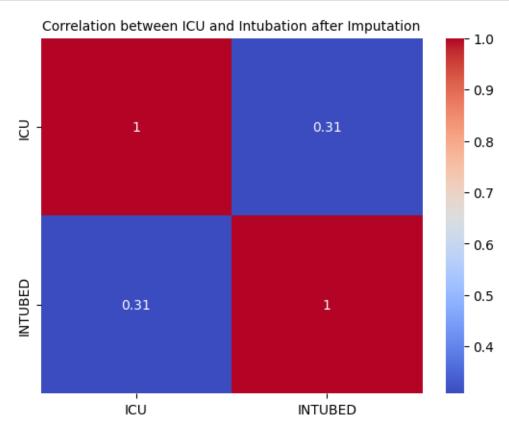
It turns out the values are moderately correlated, hence it would make sense to deal with the "missingness" of each column while keeping the two values separated.

```
[40]: ##this fills the missing values in the INTUBED column with 0.5
covid["INTUBED"].fillna(0.5, inplace=True)

[41]: ##this fills the missing values in the ICU column with 0.5
covid["ICU"].fillna(0.5, inplace=True)
[42]: sns.heatmap(corr_icu_intubed, annot=True, cmap='coolwarm')
```

```
plt.title("Correlation between ICU and Intubation after Imputation",⊔

→fontsize=10)
plt.show()
```



In sum, In all binary columns I introduced 0.5 to indicate missing information. Although this strategy is simple, it can prove useful when one-hot encoding the categorical columns such that missingness of various types of data also becomes a feature

It is important to create labels based on the "CLASSIFICATION_FINAL": based on the dictionary <=3 indicates COVID diagnosis, while >=4 means that the patient may not be a carrier of covid

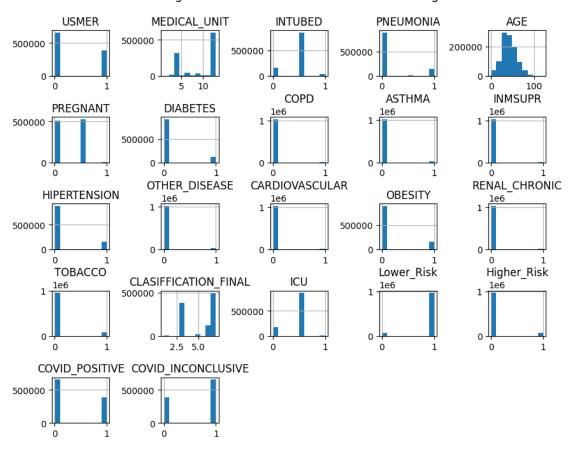
3.7 Clean Data Visualization

Let us visualize the clean data and see if any interesting patterns are immediately spotted.

```
[44]: covid.hist(figsize=(10,8))
plt.subplots_adjust(hspace=0.9, wspace=0.9)
```

```
plt.suptitle("Histograms of Numeric Variables after Cleaning", fontsize=14, y=0. 496)
plt.rcParams.update({'font.size': 10})
```

Histograms of Numeric Variables after Cleaning



Observe:

- We have clean data, and the unknown data is simply encoded as 0.5
- Most distributions are certainly skewed: there are many patients without diseases than with any diseases
- The majority of the patients in this data set survived covid, so only a small proportion died
- Less than half of the admited patients were diagnosed with Covid

Let's also look at some descriptive statistics

[45]: covid.describe() [45]: USMER MEDICAL UNIT INTUBED PNEUMONIA AGE \

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[8 rows x 22 columns]

Observe:

• 75% of patients are under the age of 53

Let's also look at the categorical distributions

```
[46]: cat_covid = covid.select_dtypes(include=['string'])

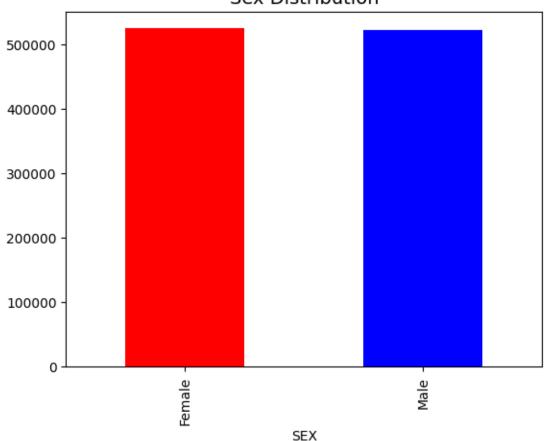
[47]: cat_covid.columns

[47]: Index(['SEX', 'PATIENT_TYPE'], dtype='object')

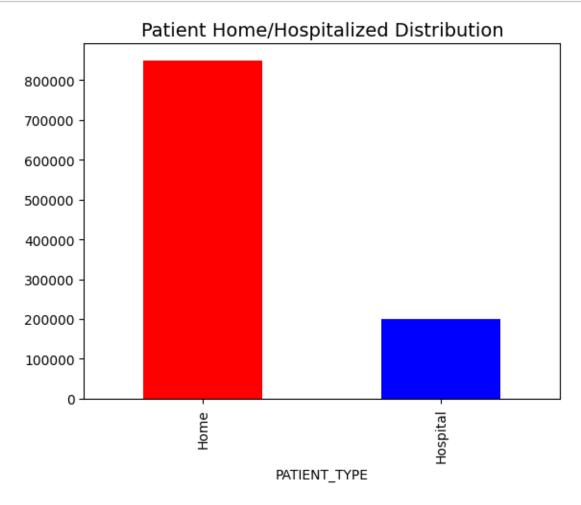
Observe: There are only two "String" columns, "SEX" and "PATIENT_TYPE"

[48]: covid["SEX"].value_counts().plot(kind='bar', color=['red', 'blue'])
    plt.title("Sex Distribution", fontsize=14)
    plt.show()
```

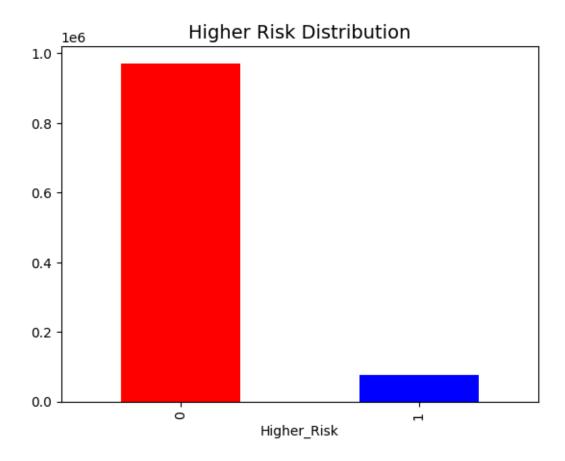




```
[49]: covid["PATIENT_TYPE"].value_counts().plot(kind='bar', color=['red', 'blue'])
plt.title("Patient Home/Hospitalized Distribution", fontsize=14)
plt.show()
```



```
[50]: covid["Higher_Risk"].value_counts().plot(kind='bar', color=['red', 'blue'])
plt.title("Higher Risk Distribution", fontsize=14)
plt.show()
```



The percentage of patients at higher risk is 7.918833551351179

Note:

1. The majority of the patients survived COVID-19. Hence, when building a model that detects higher risk (the labels of higher risk are associated with patients that passed away) it is important to provide a high level of confidence in predictions of patients at high risk. What this means, is that the model should provide as few false negatives (FN) as possible. This is because a patient which is at high risk (positive) must receive urgent care to improve chances of survival. If this type of patient is classified as negative (not at high risk), then this could result in urgent care being delayed which could lead to loss of life, which is what this classification model tries to prevent. Hence, it is important that the model achieves high confidence in positive predictions, which is even more important that patients which are not at high risk being misclassified.

- 2. The classes "Higher_Risk", "Lower_Risk" are imbalanced, in the sense that there is a small percentage of the total patients at high risk (close to 8%). This means that model accuracy is crucial to be above a 92%, anything less than that might as well classify patients at random
- 3. In selecting the model, it is very important to be able to interpret the predictions. As such, I will aim to have a high as possible recall for the model (TPR). The true positive rate gives the ratio of correctly idetified positives TPR = TP/(TP + FN) where TP stands for true positives (correctly classified cases) and FN stands for false negatives (positives that are incorrectly) classified. The recall (TPR) is even more important than accuracy for this problem, as recall can be clearly interpreted as the probability that a given prediction of a patient at high risk is correct.

4 2. Split the Data

4.1 Undersampling

Before I do anything else, I will create a training set, a test set and a validation set. This is to avoid contamining the data by further exploration on the training set. However, one consideration must be kept in mind, which is the very high imbalanced classes to be predicted - as the ratio of imbalanced classes is close to 8:100, we are dealing with highly imbalanced classes. The downside of this approach is that the ML models may learn from a a non-representative collection of samples. Choosing the training set is indeed a very important step. The techniques we can use are:

- 1. Oversampling the minority class
- 2. Undersampling the majority class

For the following, I will choose to undersample the majority class (deleting examples from the majority class). The reason is that given enough datapoints in the majority class, it is entirely possible to sample a sufficient number of relevant examples from the training set. There is, however, a downside to undersampling: deleting valuable instances that can help our model learn.

The code for undersampling was adapted from the tutorial found at : $\frac{1}{1000}$ https://machinelearningmastery.com/random-oversampling-and-undersampling-for-imbalanced-classification/

help preserve the shape the distributions inthe undersamples datasets, will use Near Miss, nearest neighbours strategy https://imbalancedlearn.org/stable/references/generated/imblearn.under_sampling.NearMiss.html

```
[53]: ## I will use the imblearn library to balance the data from imblearn.under_sampling import RandomUnderSampler
```

```
##instantiating the RandomUnderSampler to delete examples from the majority_
class

undersampler0 = RandomUnderSampler(sampling_strategy='majority', random_state=0)
undersampler1 = RandomUnderSampler(sampling_strategy='majority', random_state=1)
undersampler2 = RandomUnderSampler(sampling_strategy='majority', random_state=2)
undersampler3 = RandomUnderSampler(sampling_strategy='majority', random_state=3)
undersampler4 = RandomUnderSampler(sampling_strategy='majority', random_state=4)
```

Above, I created 5 different undersampler models. Each does the same things: deletes examples

from the majority class such that the classes for higher risk patients are balanced. Since, each undersampling gives different data, it is important to that the models that predict covid perform consistently on the dataset.

```
[55]: ##create the balanced data set
balanced0 = undersampler0.fit_resample(covid, covid['Higher_Risk'])
```

```
[56]: balanced0 = pd.DataFrame(balanced0[0], columns=covid.columns)
```

Now that the original covid data was undersamples and the results stored in balanced0 as a dataframe, I will look at the distributions in this new dataset - this is important to convince ourselves that the method worked

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	627261	0			12	Femal	е		Home	999	9-99-	99	0.5		
	312464	0			4	Mal	е		Home	999	9-99-	99	0.5		
	967580	0			12	Femal	е		Home	999	9-99-	99	0.5		
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	627261		0.0	46.0		0.0		0.0				0.0	0	.0	
	312464		0.0	38.0		0.5		0.0				0.0	0	.0	
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	627261			0.0		0.0				3	0.5		1		
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	967580			0.0		0.0				7	0.5		1		

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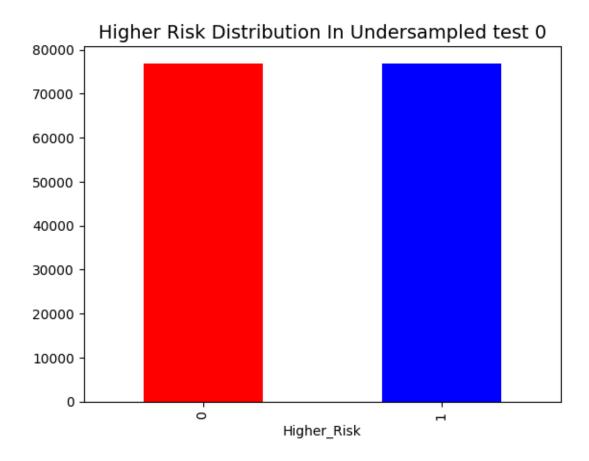
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627261	0	1	0
312464	0	0	1
967580	0	0	1
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1047635	1	1	0
1047636	1	1	0
1047637	1	1	0
1047638	1	1	0
1047639	1	0	1

[153884 rows x 25 columns]

```
[58]: print ("The number of examples in the balanced dataset is", balanced0.shape[0]) print ("The number of examples in the original dataset is", covid.shape[0])
```

The number of examples in the balanced dataset is 153884 The number of examples in the original dataset is 1048575

```
[59]: balanced0["Higher_Risk"].value_counts().plot(kind='bar', color=['red', 'blue'])
plt.title("Higher Risk Distribution In Undersampled test 0", fontsize=14)
plt.show()
```



Quite clearly, there are now equal numbers of patients at higher/lower risk in the dataset. In a simillar fashion as the above, I will create all the other undersamples states and store them for later use

```
[60]: ## create all other balanced datasets using different random states
    ##each particular random state will create a different balanced dataset
    ##the random state is used to ensure reproducibility
    balanced1 = undersampler1.fit_resample(covid, covid['Higher_Risk'])
    balanced1 = pd.DataFrame(balanced1[0], columns=covid.columns)

balanced2 = undersampler2.fit_resample(covid, covid['Higher_Risk'])
    balanced2 = pd.DataFrame(balanced2[0], columns=covid.columns)

balanced3 = undersampler3.fit_resample(covid, covid['Higher_Risk'])
    balanced3 = pd.DataFrame(balanced3[0], columns=covid.columns)

balanced4 = undersampler4.fit_resample(covid, covid['Higher_Risk'])
    balanced4 = pd.DataFrame(balanced4[0], columns=covid.columns)
```

4.2 Train/Test

Now we can create training and test sets from the new balanced samples. To do this, I will use Scikit-Learn as in the following.

```
[61]: from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
```

```
[62]: ## each split ensures the proportions 80-20 into a training set and the test,
       \hookrightarrowset
      ## random state is a seed for the random number generator, ensures \Box
       \hookrightarrow reproducibility
      ## we do a stratified split to ensure enough number of samples from each class_{\sqcup}
       ⇒in the training set
      train0, test0 = train_test_split(balanced0, test_size=0.2, stratify_
       ⇒=balanced0['Higher_Risk'], random_state=1923)
      train1, test1 = train_test_split(balanced1, test_size=0.2, stratify_
       ⇔=balanced1['Higher_Risk'], random_state=1923)
      train2, test2 = train_test_split(balanced2, test_size=0.2, stratify_
       ⇒=balanced2['Higher_Risk'], random_state=1923)
      train3, test3 = train test split(balanced3, test size=0.2, stratify,
       ⇔=balanced3['Higher_Risk'], random_state=1923)
      train4, test4 = train_test_split(balanced4, test_size=0.2, stratify_
        →=balanced4['Higher_Risk'], random_state=1923)
```

Before proceeding further, let us look at the split resulting from Balanced0 and understand if there is sufficient data.

```
[63]: train0.shape, test0.shape
```

[63]: ((123107, 25), (30777, 25))

Observe: even if sample sizes are a small fraction of the entire covid dataset, there are 123000 data points reserved for training and about 30000 for testing. These dataset are not small, and machine learning models can be trained and tested on any particular dataset.

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[64]: train0.head()
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	351666	1			6	Mal	е Но	spita	al 999	99-99-9	99	0.0		
	17764	1			3	Mal	е	Hor	ne 999	99-99-9	99	0.5		
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	351666		1.0	52.0		0.5	0.)			0.0	0.	0	

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351666	0.0	0.0		3	0.0		1	
17764	0.0	0.0		7	0.5		1	
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Now, the above subsamples can be used to train the machine learning models. They were carefully selected to ensure that the models do not overgeneralize for a disproportionate majority class. However, it would be useful to create a test/training based on the original dataset that will be used for hyper-parameter tuning. The reason is that a model that can perform as well as possible on hugely imbalanced classes should be able to perform very well on a subsample that contains balanced classes. Let us do the split as before.

```
[65]: ##split the original data (no undersampling) into train and test sets train, test = train_test_split(covid, test_size=0.2, stratify

G=covid['Higher_Risk'], random_state=1923)
```

Let us do all exploration on a copy of the covid data. The models will be tested on the training sets that are randomly sampled, and the ones that are consistently performant will be selected.

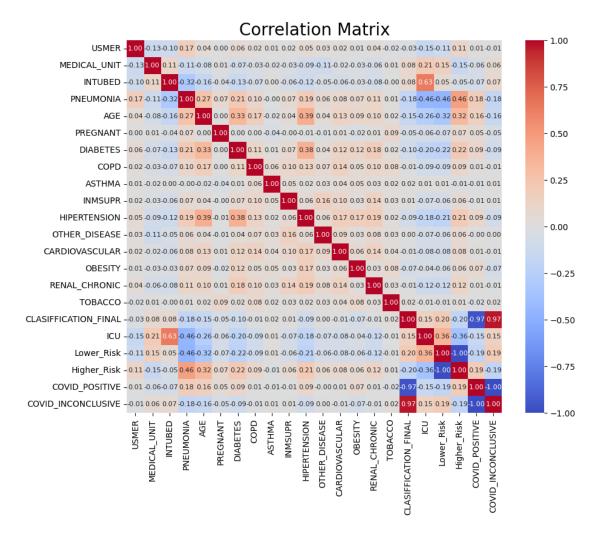
```
[66]: covid_eda = covid.copy()
```

5 3. Explore the Data

5.1 Looking for Correlations

[67]:	covid_eda.head()											
[67]:		USMER	MEDICAL_UNIT	SEX	PATIENT_TYPE	DATE_DIED	INTUBED	PNEUMONIA	\			
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	2	0	1	Male	Hospital	09/06/2020	1.0	0.0				
	3	0	1	Female	Home	12/06/2020	0.5	0.0				
	4	0	1	Male	Home	21/06/2020	0.5	0.0				
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      [5 rows x 25 columns]
[68]: covid_num = covid_eda.select_dtypes(include=[np.number])
      corr_cov = covid_num.corr()
      plt.figure(figsize=(10,8))
      sns.heatmap(corr_cov, annot=True, cmap='coolwarm', fmt=".2f",__
      →annot_kws={"size": 8})
      plt.title("Correlation Matrix", fontsize=20)
      plt.show()
```



Observe:

- Classification_Final and COVID_POSITIVE are almost identical 0.97% correlation; this suggests that there might be some outliers in CLASIFICATION_FINAL
- High correlation between ICU and INTUBED: This is expected also due to imputed values for uncertainty (missing data in one column perfectly predicts missing data in another columns)
- There is a high correlation between Higher_Risk and PNEUMONIA (46%) and Higher_risk and AGE (32): this suggests older patients with pneumonia are at risk of death
- AGE and HIPERTENSION are also correlated
- The correlation between COVID_POSITIVE and Higher_risk is only 19%, which suggest that other factors might be at play
- PNEUMONIA is also a risk factor for being admitted into intensive care (46%) correlation
- AGE increases the probability of "DIABETES" and "HIPERTENSION"
- There is a 36% correlation of being admitted at ICU (Intensive Care Unit) and surviving covid: this suggests that receiving emergency care can definitely increase the chances of survival for patients with COVID-19

```
[69]: ##let's look at factors that are highly correlated with COVID_POSITIVE corr_cov["COVID_POSITIVE"].sort_values(ascending=False)
```

```
[69]: COVID_POSITIVE
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      Higher Risk
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      AGE
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      DIABETES
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      HIPERTENSION
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      ICU
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      Lower_Risk
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      CLASIFFICATION_FINAL
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      COVID_INCONCLUSIVE
                              -1.000000
      Name: COVID_POSITIVE, dtype: float64
```

Note: Age, as well as various diseases are more correlated with a patient being COVID positive

```
[70]: ##let's look at factors that are highly correlated with death corr_cov["Higher_Risk"].sort_values(ascending=False)
```

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[70]: Higher_Risk
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      PNEUMONIA
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      COVID_POSITIVE
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      RENAL CHRONIC
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      USMER
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      COPD
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      CARDIOVASCULAR
                               0.081664
      PREGNANT
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      OTHER_DISEASE
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      OBESITY
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      INMSUPR
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      TOBACCO
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      ASTHMA
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```

```
INTUBED -0.053472

MEDICAL_UNIT -0.149030

COVID_INCONCLUSIVE -0.192564

CLASIFFICATION_FINAL -0.196085

ICU -0.364282

Lower_Risk -1.000000

Name: Higher_Risk, dtype: float64
```

Note: Pneumonia, Age and Diabetes are the most correlated features with death, whereas being COVID positive is the fifth correlated feature in this list

5.2 Experimenting with Transformations

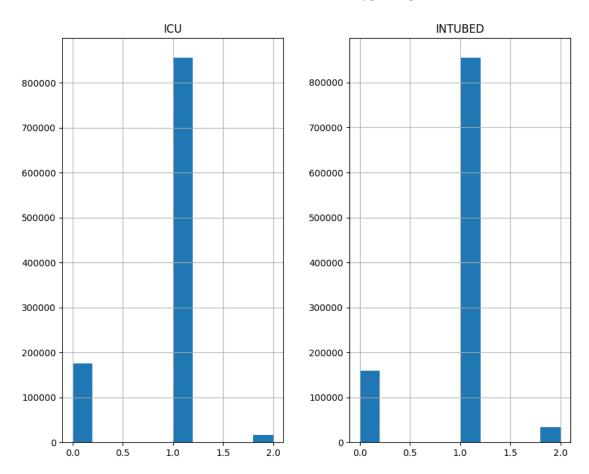
It is clear that most columns are categorical, contains positives, negatives and missing values. To deal with this data, we can use KBinsDiscretizer that uses a Kmeans algorithm to bucketize the columns and visualize how close it is to our predictions.

```
[71]: ##Let's deal with the categories that are already encoded cat_num = covid_eda.select_dtypes(include=[np.number]) cat_num.drop(['MEDICAL_UNIT', 'AGE', 'CLASIFFICATION_FINAL'], axis=1,__ inplace=True)
```

```
[72]: [cat_num.columns]
```

```
[73]: from sklearn.preprocessing import KBinsDiscretizer
      dataframe_urgent = covid[['ICU', 'INTUBED']].copy() ##create a new dataframe_
       ⇒with only with numerical columns
      ##create an instance of the KBinsDiscretizer class with 3 bins and the kmeans
       ⇔strategy;
      ##the encode argument is set to ordinal to label each bin with an integer
      ##the k-means strategies ensures that values in each bin have the same nearest_{\sqcup}
       \hookrightarrow center of a 1D k-means cluster
      discretizer_3bins = KBinsDiscretizer(n_bins=3, encode='ordinal',__
       ⇔strategy='kmeans')
      ##let's now transform the data and plot it to examine if the results is very
       ⇔different from the manual approach
      dataframe buketized = discretizer 3bins.fit transform(dataframe urgent)
      dataframe_buketized = pd.DataFrame(dataframe_buketized, columns=['ICU', __

    'INTUBED'])
      ##let us plot the histograms of the bucketized data
      dataframe_buketized.hist(figsize=(10,8))
```



The Discretizer has simply replaced the values of the original distributions with ordinal numbers. Hence, using K-means with 3 clusters, it found very similar categories (the edges of the discretizer are given in the cell below)

```
[74]: ##this shows the edges of the bins
for i, edges in enumerate(discretizer_3bins.bin_edges_):
    print(f"{edges}")
```

```
[0. 0.25 0.75 1. ]
[0. 0.25 0.75 1. ]
```

An alternative treatment, is to transform these column types to "object" and then one-hot encode based on the original values while keeping in mind that "0.5" indicates missing values (remember that I used "0.5" to encode missing values for categorical one-hot encoded columns)

```
[75]: for col in cat_num.columns:
    covid_eda[col] = covid_eda[col].astype('string')
```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'> RangeIndex: 1048575 entries, 0 to 1048574 Data columns (total 25 columns): Column Non-Null Count Dtype ____ 0 **USMER** 1048575 non-null string 1048575 non-null 1 MEDICAL_UNIT int64 2 SEX 1048575 non-null string 3 PATIENT_TYPE 1048575 non-null string 4 DATE_DIED 1048575 non-null object 5 INTUBED 1048575 non-null string 6 PNEUMONIA 1048575 non-null string 7 1048575 non-null AGE float64 8 PREGNANT 1048575 non-null string 1048575 non-null 9 DIABETES string 10 COPD 1048575 non-null string 11 ASTHMA 1048575 non-null string 1048575 non-null 12 INMSUPR string HIPERTENSION 1048575 non-null string OTHER_DISEASE 1048575 non-null string CARDIOVASCULAR 1048575 non-null string 1048575 non-null string 16 OBESITY RENAL_CHRONIC 17 1048575 non-null string 18 TOBACCO 1048575 non-null string 19 CLASIFFICATION_FINAL 1048575 non-null int64 20 ICU 1048575 non-null string 21 Lower_Risk 1048575 non-null string 1048575 non-null 22 Higher_Risk string COVID_POSITIVE 1048575 non-null string 24 COVID_INCONCLUSIVE 1048575 non-null string dtypes: float64(1), int64(2), object(1), string(21) memory usage: 200.0+ MB [77]: covid_eda.drop(['DATE_DIED'], axis=1, inplace=True) [78]: ##let's create a dataframe containing all categories (string columns) covid_eda_all_cat = covid_eda.select_dtypes(include=['string']) covid_eda_all_cat [79]: [79]: **USMER** SEX PATIENT TYPE INTUBED PNEUMONIA PREGNANT DIABETES COPD Female 0.5 0 0 Home 1.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 1 0 Male 0.5 1.0 0.5 0.0 Home 0.0 2 0 Male Hospital 1.0 0.0 0.5 1.0 0.0 3 0 Female Home 0.5 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 4 0 Male 0.5 0.0 0.0 Home 0.5 1.0

[76]: covid_eda.info()

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Now, let us one-hot encode these features. To do this, I will built a pipeline via the tools provided with Scikit-Learn.

```
[80]: from sklearn.preprocessing import OneHotEncoder
      from sklearn.pipeline import make_pipeline
[81]: ##pipeline that one-hot encodes the categorical features
      one_hot = make_pipeline(OneHotEncoder(sparse=False, handle_unknown='ignore'))
[82]: ##let us apply the pipeline to the categorical features
      cat_num_onehot = one_hot.fit_transform(covid_eda_all_cat)
     /opt/homebrew/lib/python3.11/site-
     packages/sklearn/preprocessing/_encoders.py:868: FutureWarning: `sparse` was
     renamed to `sparse_output` in version 1.2 and will be removed in 1.4.
     `sparse_output` is ignored unless you leave `sparse` to its default value.
       warnings.warn(
[83]: ##this returns a numpy array with one-hot encoded features
      cat_num_onehot
[83]: array([[1., 0., 1., ..., 1., 1., 0.],
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             [1., 0., 0., ..., 0., 0., 1.],
             [1., 0., 0., ..., 0., 0., 1.],
             [1., 0., 0., ..., 0., 0., 1.]])
[84]: ##we can put the one-hot encoded features in a dataframe
      cat_num_onehot = pd.DataFrame(cat_num_onehot, columns = one_hot.

get_feature_names_out(), index=covid_eda_all_cat.index)

[85]: |##we have easilty one-hot encoded the categorical features and put them in a_{\sqcup}
       ⇔dataframe while preserving the index
      cat_num_onehot
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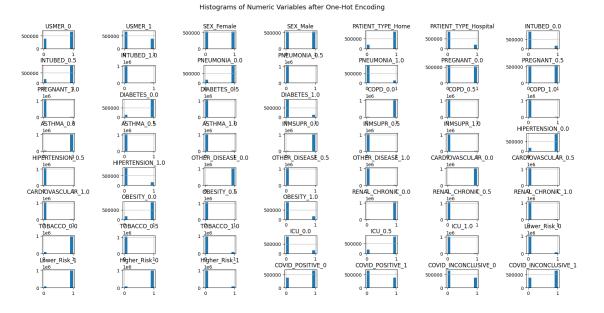
```
[86]: cat_num_onehot.shape
```

[86]: (1048575, 56)

Observe:

-The number of categories greatly increased due to having one-hot encoded features

```
[87]: ##let us visualize the new features
cat_num_onehot.hist(figsize=(20,10))
plt.subplots_adjust(hspace=0.9, wspace=1.5)
plt.suptitle("Histograms of Numeric Variables after One-Hot Encoding",
fontsize=14, y=0.96)
plt.rcParams.update({'font.size': 8})
```



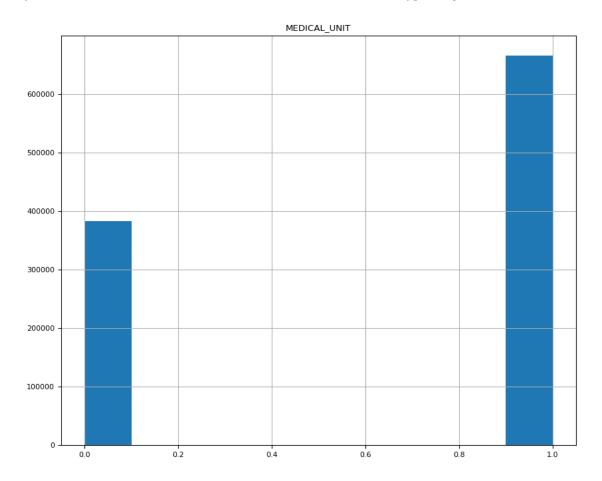
Observe:

• all the new columns have the feature and the characteristic they one-hot encode: 0.0 is a negative, 1.0 is a positive and 0.5 is a missing value

- for the "SEX" and "PATIENT_TYPE" as well as for the COVID results we have one-hot encoded categories
- all these can be fed to the machine learning model

One category that we did not treat is the medical unit. We can try to find clusters with KMEans and Bucketize

[88]: array([[<Axes: title={'center': 'MEDICAL_UNIT'}>]], dtype=object)



```
[89]: ##let's look at the edges of the bins
for i, edges in enumerate(discretizer_2bins.bin_edges_):
    print(f"{edges}")
```

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[ 1. 7.96059277 13. ]
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It seems that the Discretizer has grouped the instances between 1 and 8, and 8 and 13. This seems consistent with the previous distribution. As there is not information on what the numbers associated with the medical units mean, everything is grouped under two clusters, showing "Type I" Medical Unit and "Type II" Medical Unit

6 4. Pre-process data for Machine Learning Algorithms

- The previous transformations can all be put into pipelines
- I will build a pipeline that contains the one-hot encoding transformations, as well as scalling
- I will then apply this pipeline to data: training, test and validation
- With the help of an evaluation metric, I will then test various ML models from Scikit-Learn

6.1 Built a Pre-Processing Pipeline

```
[90]: ##column transformers to organize the pipelines
from sklearn.compose import ColumnTransformer
##make_pipeline to create a pipeline based on Function transformers
from sklearn.pipeline import make_pipeline
##StandardScaler to scale the numerical features
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
##and function transformer to apply the discretizer
from sklearn.preprocessing import FunctionTransformer
```

```
[91]: ##displays transformations
from sklearn import set_config
set_config(display='diagram')
```

```
[92]: from sklearn.base import BaseEstimator, TransformerMixin

class CustomTransformer(BaseEstimator, TransformerMixin):
    def fit(self, X, y=None):
        return self

def transform(self, X):
        ## Apply your transformation
        return X.astype(str)

def get_feature_names_out(self, input_features=None):
    ## Implement this method to return the feature names
    return input_features
```

Now let us define the pre-processing pipeline, that allows the transformations to be imputed

Let us test it on a copy of the data

```
[97]: covid_prep = covid.copy()
```

```
[98]: covid_pip_prep = preprocessing.fit_transform(covid_prep)
```

```
[99]: ##after pre-rpocessing, we have a numpy array. Let us put it in a dataframe covid_pip_prep =pd.DataFrame(covid_pip_prep, columns=preprocessing.

→get_feature_names_out(), index=covid_prep.index)
```

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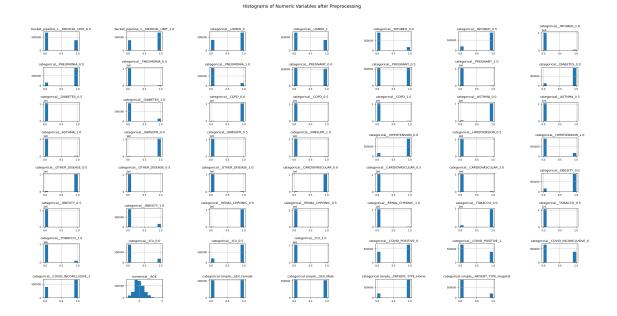
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Great! Before proceeding any further, let us define an evaluation metric

6.2 Evaluation Metric

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## Evaluation function that defines the metrics to be used for evaluating the
 →models
##this function assumes that the model has already been fitted to the training_
def evaluation_metric(model, xTrain, yTrain, xTest, yTest):
    ##predict the labels on the training data
    yTrain_pred = model.predict(xTrain)
    ##predict the labels on the test data
    yTest_pred = model.predict(xTest)
    ##now I can calculate cross validation scores for the prediction on the \Box
 ⇔test set and training set
    ##cross validation scores for the training set. cv=5 means 5-fold cross_{\sqcup}
 ⇔validation ( there are 5 folds used for cross validation)
    scores_train = cross_val_score(model, xTrain, yTrain, cv=5)
    mean cv train = scores train.mean()
    print("-"*100)
    print("The mean cross validation score on the training set is:",,,
 →mean_cv_train)
    ##cross validation scores for the test set
    scores_test = cross_val_score(model, xTest, yTest, cv=5)
    mean cv test = scores test.mean()
    print("-"*100)
    print("The mean cross validation score on the test set is:", mean_cv_test)
    ##overfitting/underfitting measure
    print("-"*100)
    print("The difference between the mean cross validation scores on the 
 straining and test data:", mean_cv_train - mean_cv_test)
    ##fpr is the false positive rate, tpr is the true positive rate
    ##The roc\_curve method calculates the aforemntioned rates for different \Box
 →thresholds and plot the results based on the test labels and the predicted ⊔
 \hookrightarrow labels
    ## We first must calculate the probabilities of the positive class
    yTest_prob = model.predict_proba(xTest)[:,1]
    fpr, tpr, thresholds = roc_curve(yTest, yTest_prob)
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## the roc_curve method requires the second argument to be either_
⇒probability estimates of the positive class, confidence values, or
→non-thresholded measure of decisions
   ## the roc curve below used the probability estimates of the positive class,
→as given by the predict_proba method (yTest_prob)
  plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
  plt.plot(fpr, tpr, linewidth=2, label="ROC curve")
  plt.plot([0, 1], [0, 1], "k--", label="Random classifier's ROC curve")
  plt.xlabel("False positive rate")
  plt.ylabel("True positive rate")
  plt.title("ROC curve")
  plt.legend()
  plt.show()
  ##the AUC score is the area under the ROC curve
  auc_score = roc_auc_score(yTest, yTest_prob)
  print("-"*100)
  print("The AUC score is:", auc_score)
  ##accuracy score of predictions
  acc_score = accuracy_score(yTest, yTest_pred)
  print("-"*100)
  print("The accuracy score is:", acc_score)
  ##true negative rate
  print("-"*100)
  tn, fp, fn, tp = confusion_matrix(yTest, yTest_pred).ravel()
  tnr = tn / (tn+fp)
  print("The true negative rate (TNR) is:", tnr)
  ##true positive rate
  print("-"*100)
  tn, fp, fn, tp = confusion_matrix(yTest, yTest_pred).ravel()
  tpr = tp / (tp+fn)
  print("The true positive rate (TPR) is:", tpr)
  ##confusion matrix
  print("-"*100)
  cm = confusion_matrix (yTest_pred, yTest)
  ##now let us put it into a dataframe
  cm_df = pd.DataFrame(cm, columns=["Predicted negative", "Predicted_
→positive"], index=["Actual negative", "Actual positive"])
   ##plot the confusion matrix via seaborn
   sns.heatmap(cm_df, annot=True, fmt="d")
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plt.title("Confusion matrix")
plt.show()
```

Notes on the Evaluation Metric:

- 1. The cross-validation scores on the training set and on the test set are calculated to see if the model overfits or underfits. If there is overfit, the model *learns more* on the training set than on the test set, which means that the function it creates is less reliable on new data. Hence, overfit can be detected by a higher cross validation score on the training set than on the test set. If the opposite is true (there is a lower score on the training set) there is a degree of underfit.
- 2. The AUC is the area under the ROC curve, a graph showing the dependence of the true positive rate on the true negative rate for all possible threholds. A classifier that distinguishes perfectly has an AUC of 1, while a classifier that is truly random has an AUC of 0.5 (interpreted as 50% probability of being any of the classes). For this project, AUC must be as high as possible
- 3. The TPR (true positive rate) is calculated from the values of the confusion matrix as TP/(TP+FN) where TP are correct prediction of positive cases (True Positives) and FN are misclassifed cases of positive (high risk) patients (False Negatives). It is crucial for this project to achieve a high TPR as this is the probability of a patient classified as high risk to be really at high risk.
- 4. Accuracy represents the percentage of correct predictions. Accuracy should be as high as possible and consistent for different training data.

6.3 Create New Variables for the Data

Let us transform the training test data, such that they are processed and ready for the machine learning models. As a modelling approach, I am interested in predicting the 1's (positive High_risk) cases in the High_Risk column. The High_Risk column is already one-hot encoded, and there are five different undersamples sets where each undersampled set contains most patients that died (high_risk) and a balanced number of patients that survived (lower_risk). Hence, I create 5 different training and test sets such as that each ML model can be tested thoroughly.

```
[103]: ##training data for the first subsample
xTrain0 = preprocessing.fit_transform(train0)
y0 = train0["Higher_Risk"]
X0= pd.DataFrame(xTrain0, columns=preprocessing.get_feature_names_out(),
index=train0.index)
xTest0 = preprocessing.fit_transform(test0)
yy0 = test0["Higher_Risk"]
XX0 = pd.DataFrame(xTest0, columns=preprocessing.get_feature_names_out(),
index=test0.index)
```

As in the above, let us create new training variables for the sampled data and subsequently test them.

```
[104]: xTrain1 = preprocessing.fit_transform(train1)
y1 = train1["Higher_Risk"]
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X1 = pd.DataFrame(xTrain1, columns=preprocessing.get_feature_names_out(),__
        →index=train1.index)
       xTest1 = preprocessing.fit_transform(test1)
       yy1 = test1["Higher Risk"]
       XX1 = pd.DataFrame(xTest1, columns=preprocessing.get_feature_names_out(),_
        →index=test1.index)
[105]: xTrain2 = preprocessing.fit_transform(train2)
       y2 = train2["Higher_Risk"]
       X2 = pd.DataFrame(xTrain2, columns=preprocessing.get_feature_names_out(),__
        →index=train2.index)
       xTest2 = preprocessing.fit_transform(test2)
       yy2 = test2["Higher Risk"]
       XX2 = pd.DataFrame(xTest2, columns=preprocessing.get_feature_names_out(),__
        →index=test2.index)
[106]: xTrain3 = preprocessing.fit transform(train3)
       y3 = train3["Higher_Risk"]
       X3 = pd.DataFrame(xTrain3, columns=preprocessing.get_feature_names_out(), __
        ⇒index=train3.index)
       xTest3 = preprocessing.fit_transform(test3)
       yy3 = test1["Higher_Risk"]
       XX3 = pd.DataFrame(xTest3, columns=preprocessing.get_feature_names_out(),__
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→index=test3.index)

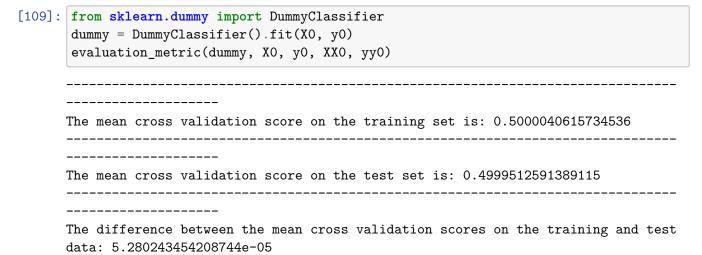
Finally, let us pre-process the training and test data, now sampled on the entirety of the dataset. I will use this when I do the final test for the best performing model.

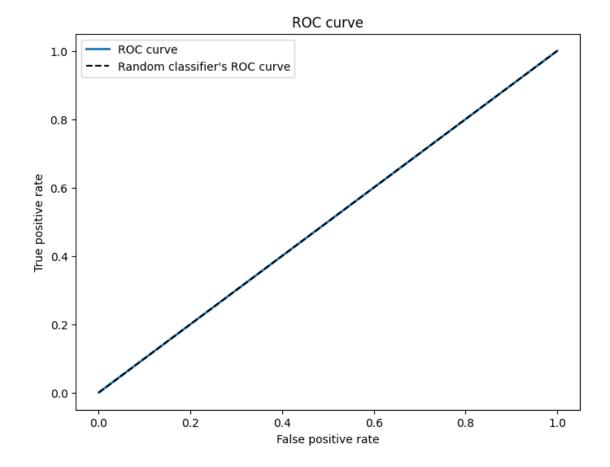
7 5. Train Machine Learning Models

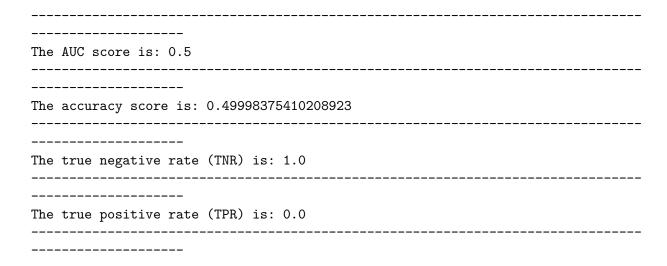
The aim of this section is to test as many Machine Learning models as possible, to understand which performs better in terms of accuracy, recall and AUC (all these metrics are self-consistent, but recall is very important for confidence in the predictions)

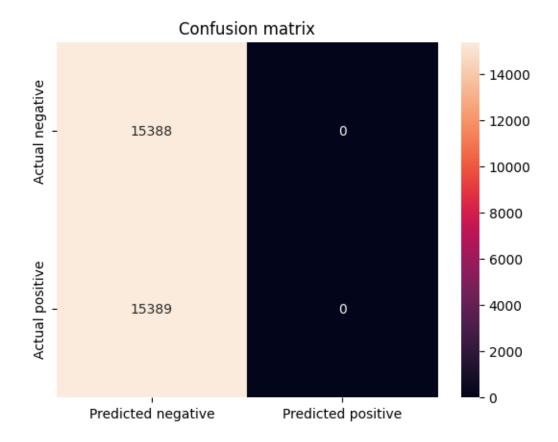
7.1 Dummy Classifier

Let us first see the Dummy Classifier, which classifies completely at random. This is the worst possible classifier, but looking at it might offer insights into how well other models are performing.









Observe:

- 1. The accuracy is close to 50%, which coincides with the balance of predicted classes (50-50): an accuracy well-above 0.5 should be aimed at, as an accuracy close to 50% is simply guessing at random
- 2. The true positive rate (recall) is 0 worst possible prediction
- 3. the AUC score is 0.5 signifying no ability to distinguish between classes

Note: All subsequent models should have performance metrics as far as possible (higher) than the random classifier. Anything performing simillar to the Dummy Classifier is clearly a bad model

7.2 SGD Classifier

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[110]: from sklearn.linear_model import SGDClassifier
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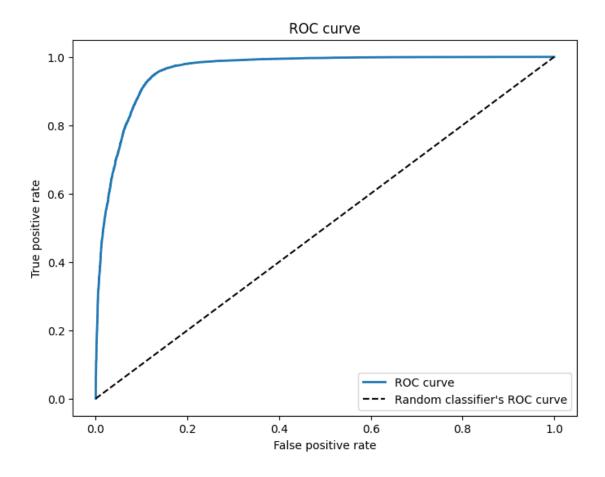
In the following, I will use Bayesian optimization to find the best parameters for the model.

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[111]: ##imports bayes search cv
from skopt import BayesSearchCV
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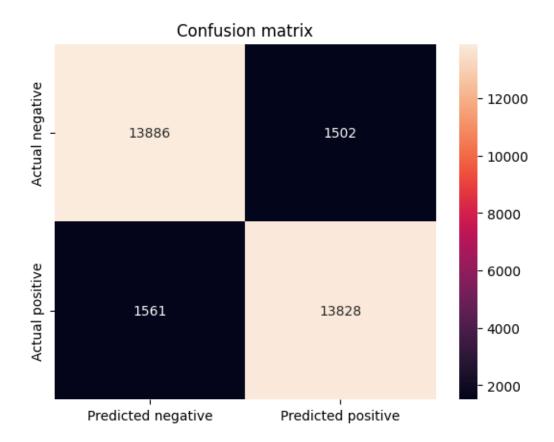
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[112]: ##let's define the hyperparameter space
search_space = {
    'alpha': (0.0001, 0.01, 'log-uniform'),
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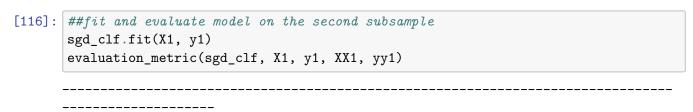
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'max_iter': (100, 1000),
           'penalty': ['11', '12', 'elasticnet'],
           'l1_ratio': (0, 1.0),
           'learning_rate': ['constant', 'optimal', 'invscaling', 'adaptive'],
           'eta0': (0.01, 1.0, 'log-uniform'),
           'power_t': (0.1, 0.9),
           'early_stopping': [True, False],
[113]: ## now, let us start searching
       opt = BayesSearchCV(
           SGDClassifier(),
           search_space,
               n_iter=32,
           random_state=1923
       opt.fit(X, y)
       print("val. score: %s" % opt.best_score_)
       print("test score: %s" % opt.score(X, y))
       print("Best parameters: ", opt.best_params_)
      val. score: 0.9456941563550533
      test score: 0.9438869418019693
      Best parameters: OrderedDict([('alpha', 0.00013946498668087882),
      ('early_stopping', False), ('eta0', 0.014763068316927273), ('l1_ratio',
      0.6912218141776066), ('learning_rate', 'constant'), ('max_iter', 211),
      ('penalty', '12'), ('power_t', 0.5006359285631012)])
[114]: ##instantiating the model with the best parameters
       sgd_clf = SGDClassifier(alpha= 0.00013946498668087882, eta0=0.
        →014763068316927273, l1_ratio=0.6912218141776066, learning_rate='constant', ⊔
        Gloss"log_loss", max_iter=211, penalty="12", power_t=0.5, random_state=1923)
[115]: | ##fit and evaluate model on the first subsample
       sgd_clf.fit(X0, y0)
       evaluation_metric(sgd_clf, X0, y0, XX0, yy0)
      The mean cross validation score on the training set is: 0.8978775604750753
      The mean cross validation score on the test set is: 0.9085677924992703
      The difference between the mean cross validation scores on the training and test
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The AUC score is: 0.960738793908254
The accuracy score is: 0.9004776293985769
The true negative rate (TNR) is: 0.9023914738757474
The true positive rate (TPR) is: 0.8985639092858535

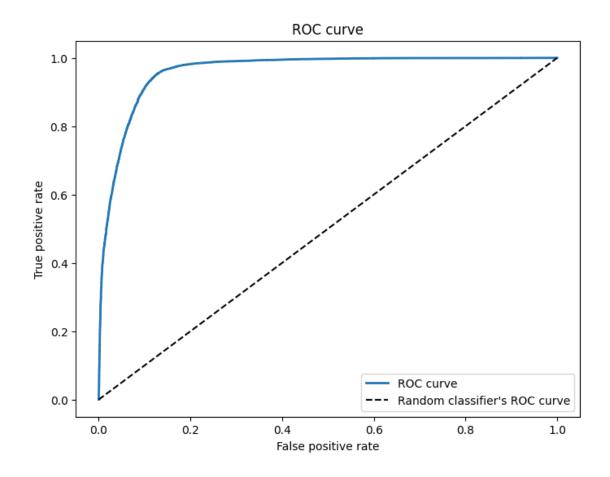




The mean cross validation score on the training set is: 0.8959524099589068

The mean cross validation score on the test set is: 0.9075282777754026

The difference between the mean cross validation scores on the training and test data: -0.011575867816495777

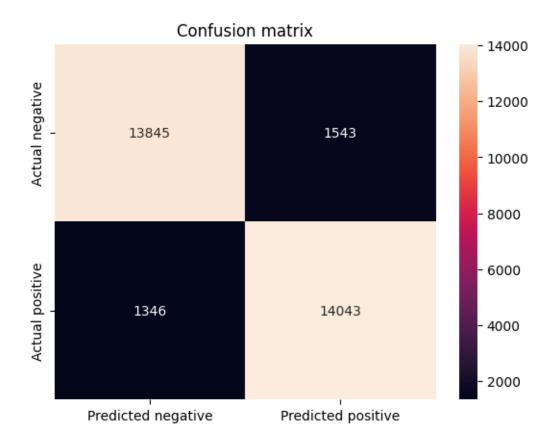


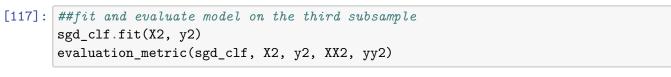
The AUC score is: 0.9622342484224592

The accuracy score is: 0.9061312018715274

The true negative rate (TNR) is: 0.8997270600467897

The true positive rate (TPR) is: 0.9125349275456495

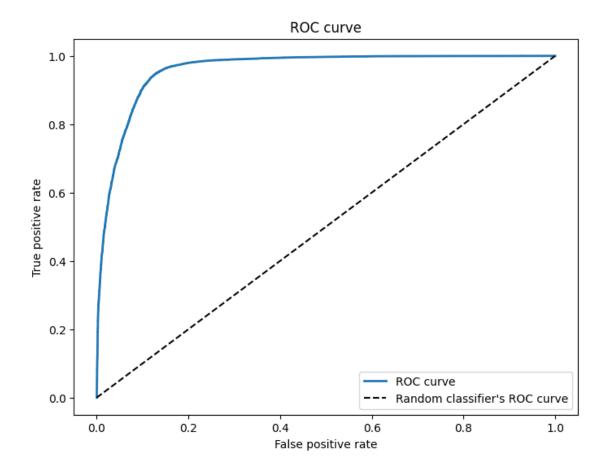




The mean cross validation score on the training set is: 0.9010861348812351

The mean cross validation score on the test set is: 0.9077881498583539

The difference between the mean cross validation scores on the training and test data: -0.006702014977118753

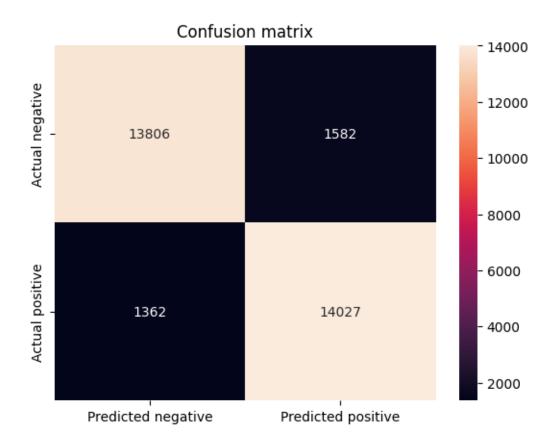


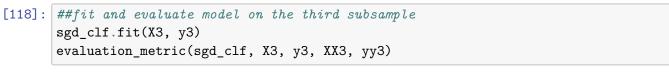
The AUC score is: 0.9604284131699876

The accuracy score is: 0.9043441531013419

The true negative rate (TNR) is: 0.8971926176241227

The true positive rate (TPR) is: 0.9114952238611995

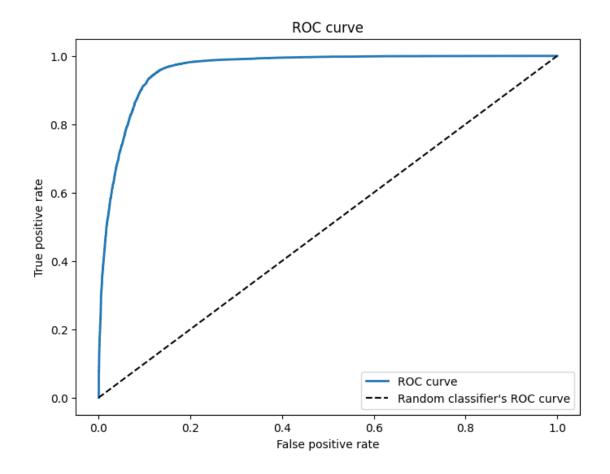


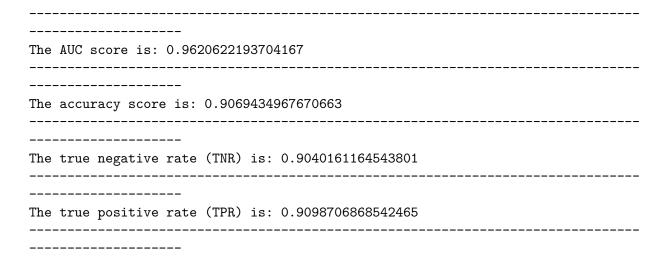


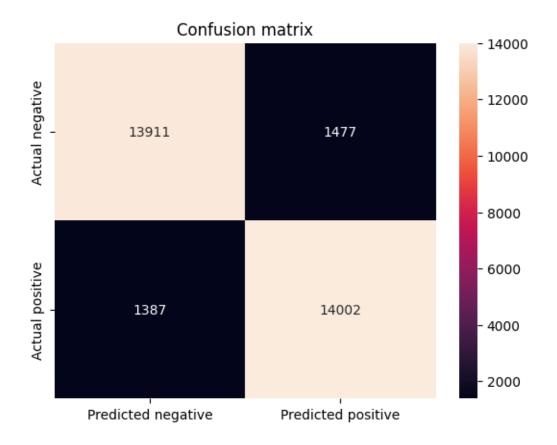
The mean cross validation score on the training set is: 0.9050094924392098

The mean cross validation score on the test set is: 0.9107450795958213

The difference between the mean cross validation scores on the training and test data: -0.005735587156611488







Observations:

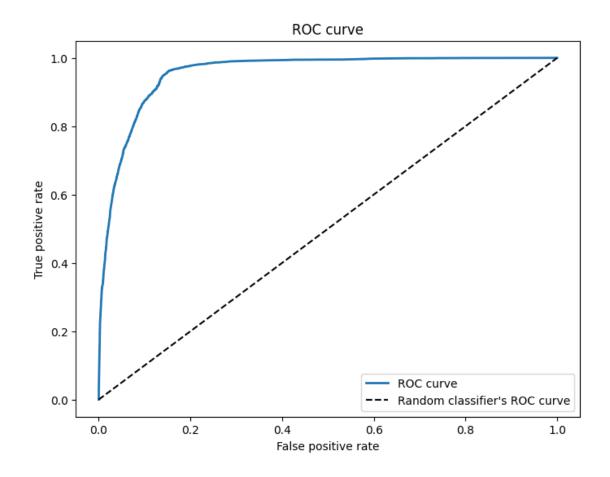
- Simillar accuracy scores when the model was trained and fitted on the training and test sets indicate no overfit/underfit
- 90% accuracy shows that the model performs significantly better than the dummy classifier
- The true positive rate (recall) of 90% reflects the confidence in positive predictions 90% chance of a patient detected as high_risk to be high_risk
- The AUC score of the model is very high (96%)

7.3 RandomForest Classifer

Let's try a RandomForest Classifier and evaluate its performance

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'max_features': ['sqrt', 'log2'],
              },
              n_iter=3,
              random_state=1923)
       ##let's fit each model to the training data
       opt_rf.fit(X0, y0)
       ##let's print the best score and the best parameters
       print("val. score: %s" % opt_rf.best_score_)
       print("Best parameters: ", opt_rf.best_params_)
      val. score: 0.9027675339150374
      Best parameters: OrderedDict([('max_depth', 5), ('max_features', 'log2'),
      ('n_estimators', 100)])
[121]: | ##Let's instantiate the random forest classifier with the best parameters found
       ⇒by the hyperparameter search
       rf_clf = RandomForestClassifier(max_depth= 5, max_features='log2', __
        on_estimators= 100, random_state=1923)
[122]: ##Let's fit the model to the training data and the evaluate it on the
       ⇔validation set
       rf_clf.fit(X0, y0)
       evaluation_metric(rf_clf, X0, y0, XX0, yy0)
      The mean cross validation score on the training set is: 0.9012404027511793
      The mean cross validation score on the test set is: 0.9012245917015965
      The difference between the mean cross validation scores on the training and test
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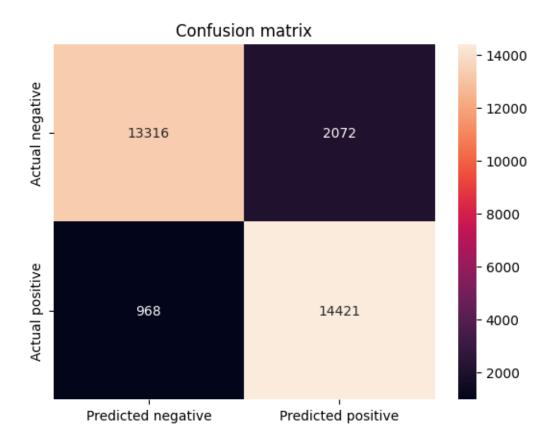


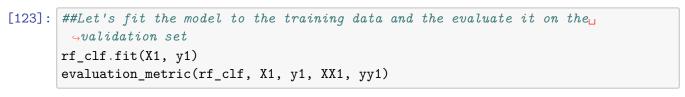
The AUC score is: 0.9560676672575922

The accuracy score is: 0.9012249407024726

The true negative rate (TNR) is: 0.8653496230829217

The true positive rate (TPR) is: 0.9370979270907791

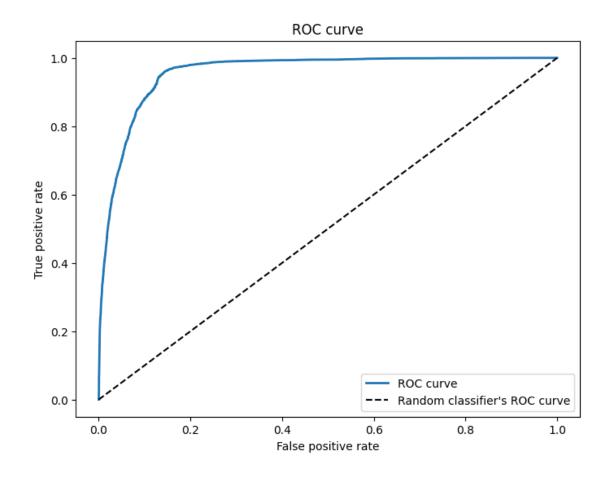




The mean cross validation score on the training set is: 0.901297257191503

The mean cross validation score on the test set is: 0.9056112269722657

The difference between the mean cross validation scores on the training and test data: -0.004313969780762705

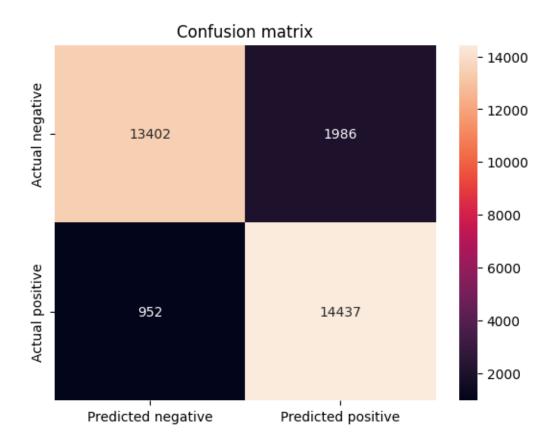


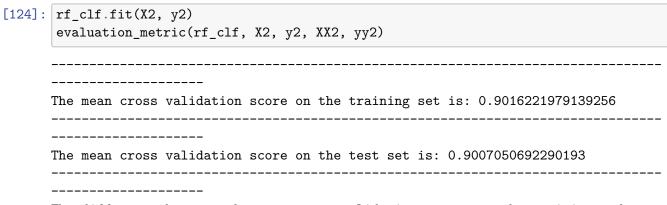
The AUC score is: 0.9572540437880586

The accuracy score is: 0.9045391038762712

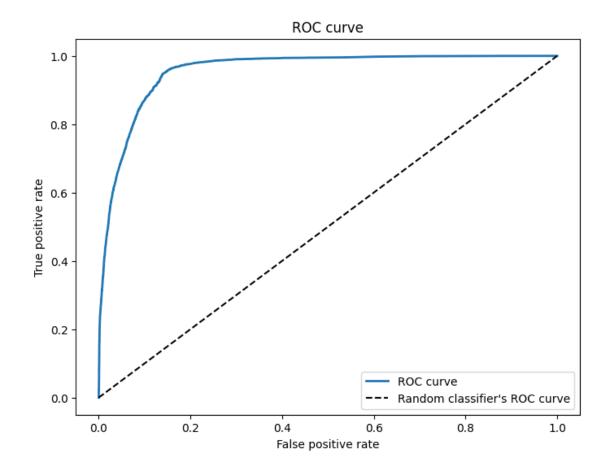
The true negative rate (TNR) is: 0.8709383935534183

The true positive rate (TPR) is: 0.938137630775229





The difference between the mean cross validation scores on the training and test data: 0.0009171286849063431

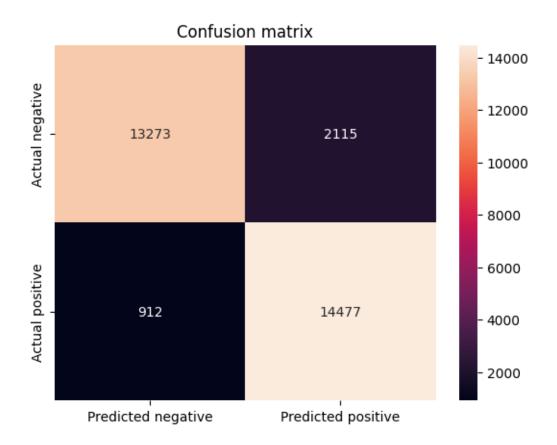


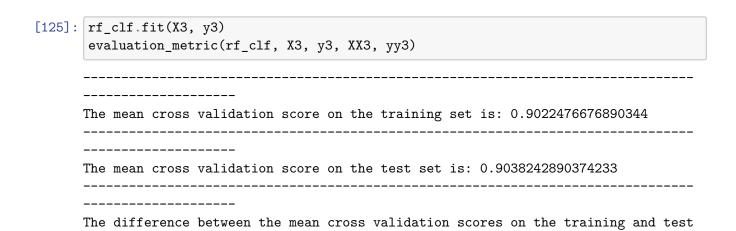
The AUC score is: 0.9560303307773557

The accuracy score is: 0.9016473340481529

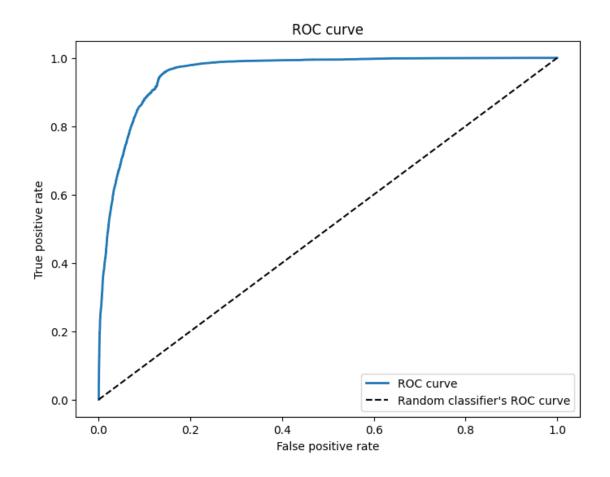
The true negative rate (TNR) is: 0.8625552378476735

The true positive rate (TPR) is: 0.9407368899863539





data: -0.0015766213483888736

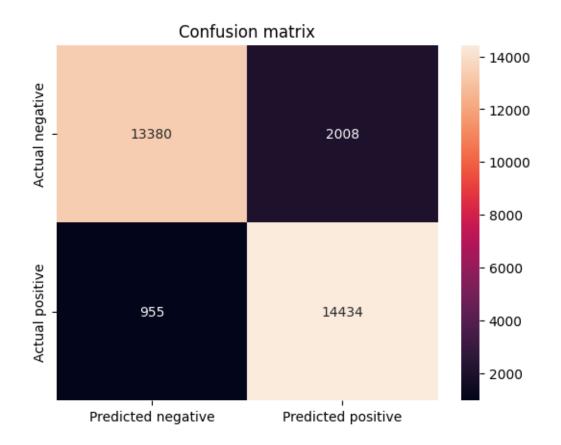


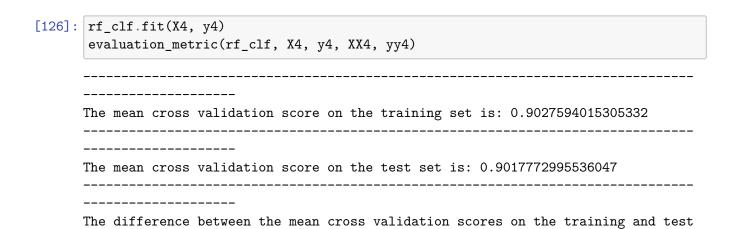
The AUC score is: 0.9568149880637279

The accuracy score is: 0.9037268089807323

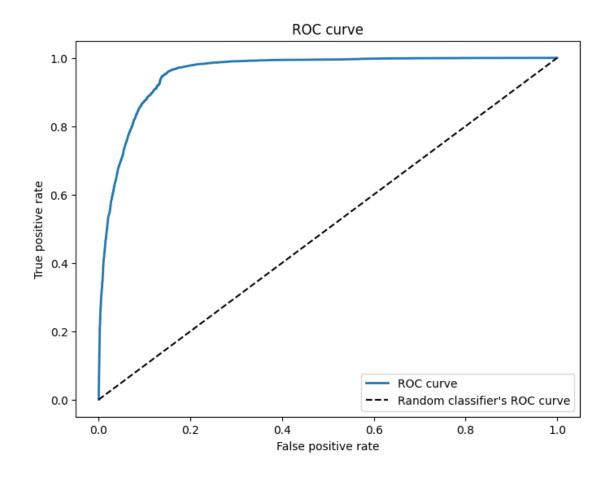
The true negative rate (TNR) is: 0.8695087080842214

The true positive rate (TPR) is: 0.9379426863343947





data: 0.0009821019769284955

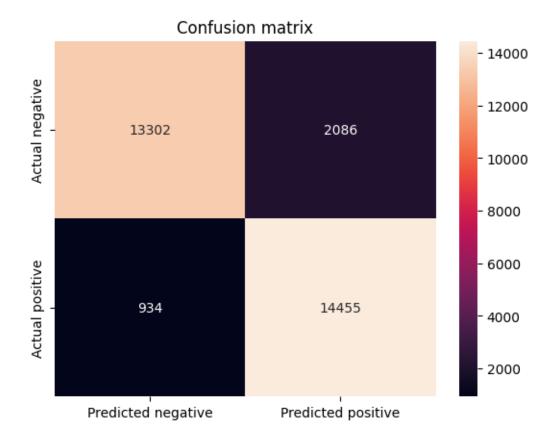


The AUC score is: 0.9571605980715044

The accuracy score is: 0.9018747766189037

The true negative rate (TNR) is: 0.8644398232388875

The true positive rate (TPR) is: 0.9393072974202352



Observe:

- There is clealry no overfit or underfit, judging by the mean cross validation scores on the training and validation set
- The model has very good accuracy and AUC, similar to the SGD classifier
- The TPR close to 94% indicates very high confidence in detecting positives
- Accuracy is similar to SGD classifier at around 90%

7.4 Logistic Regression

```
opt_log.fit(X, y)
print("val. score: %s" % opt_log.best_score_)
print("Best parameters: ", opt_log.best_params_)

val. score: 0.9485396848103378
Best parameters: OrderedDict([('C', 0.04067517192324702), ('max_iter', 3000), ('penalty', 'l1'), ('solver', 'liblinear')])

Let us try these hyper-parameters to instantiate a models

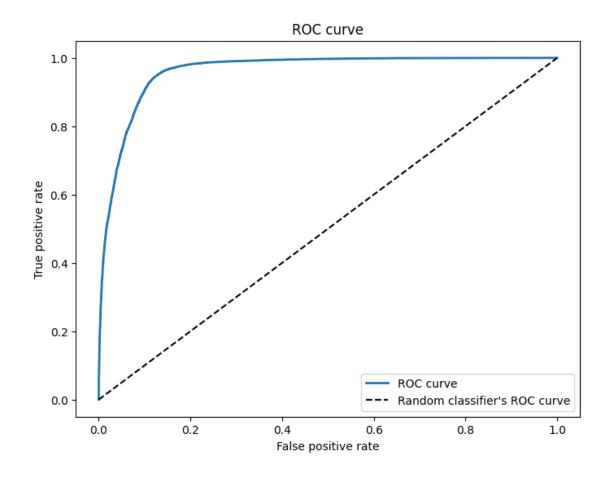
[129]: log_clf = LogisticRegression(C= 0.04, max_iter= 3000, penalty= 'l1', solver=__ -'liblinear', random_state=1923)

[130]: ##now train and evaluate the model
log_clf.fit(X0, y0)
evaluation_metric(log_clf, X0, y0, XX0, yy0)

The mean cross validation score on the training set is: 0.9054725019154899

The difference between the mean cross validation score on the test set is: 0.90577365956034
```

The difference between the mean cross validation scores on the training and test data: -0.0003011576448500586

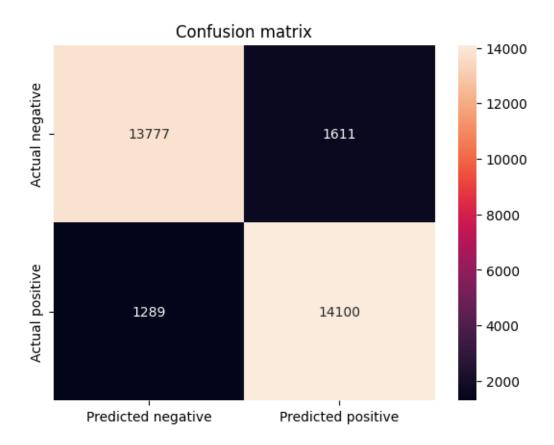


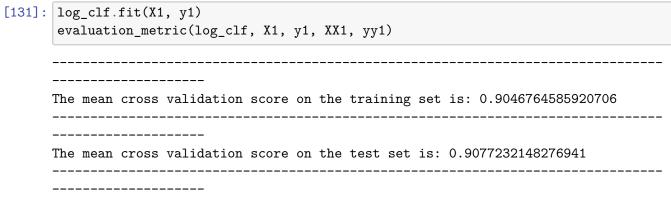
The AUC score is: 0.9610088716020848

The accuracy score is: 0.9057737921174903

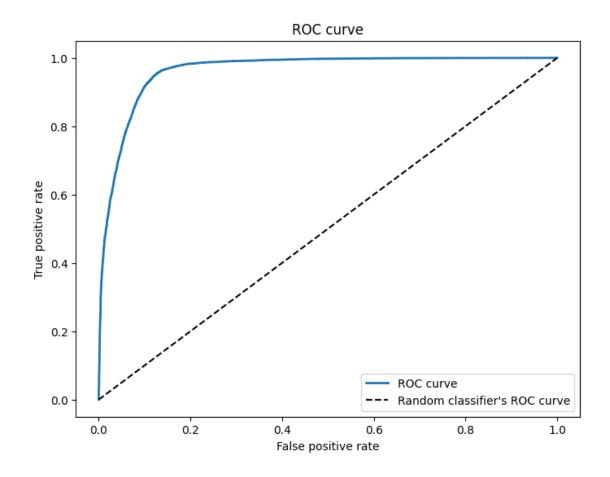
The true negative rate (TNR) is: 0.8953080322329088

The true positive rate (TPR) is: 0.9162388719215023





The difference between the mean cross validation scores on the training and test data: -0.00304675623562356

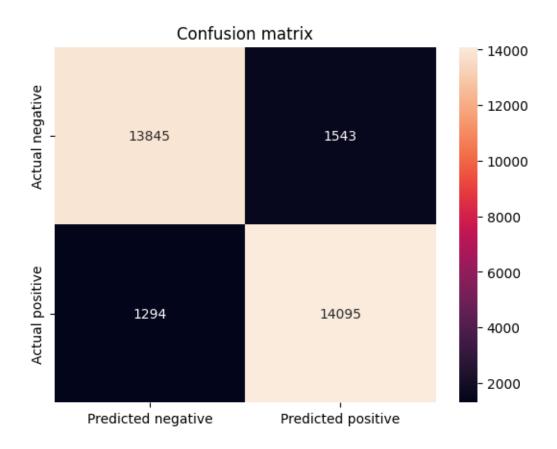


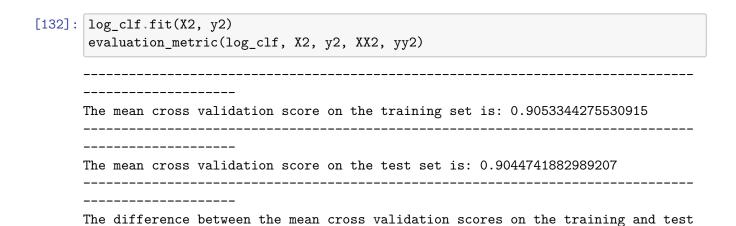
The AUC score is: 0.9626471371502636

The accuracy score is: 0.9078207752542483

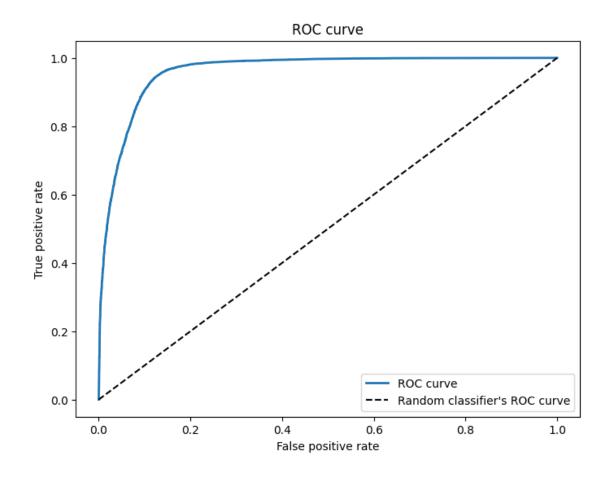
The true negative rate (TNR) is: 0.8997270600467897

The true positive rate (TPR) is: 0.9159139645201118





data: 0.0008602392541707804

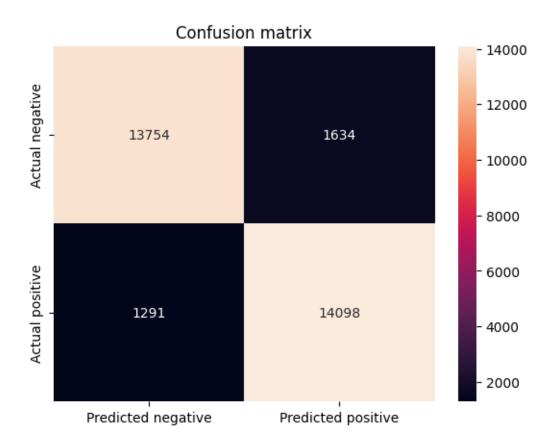


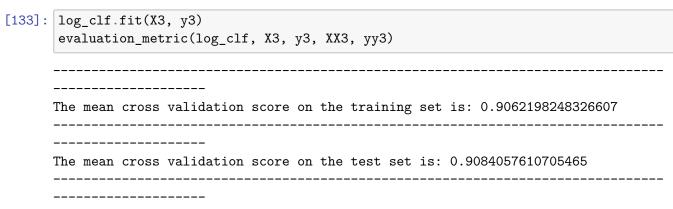
The AUC score is: 0.9606886156889008

The accuracy score is: 0.9049614972219514

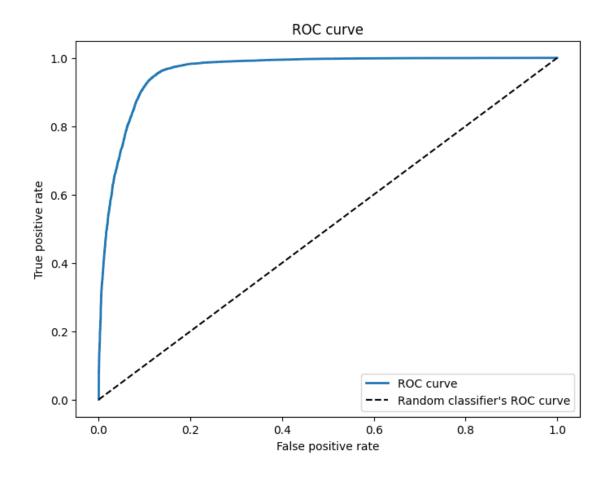
The true negative rate (TNR) is: 0.8938133610605666

The true positive rate (TPR) is: 0.9161089089609461





The difference between the mean cross validation scores on the training and test data: -0.002185936237885766

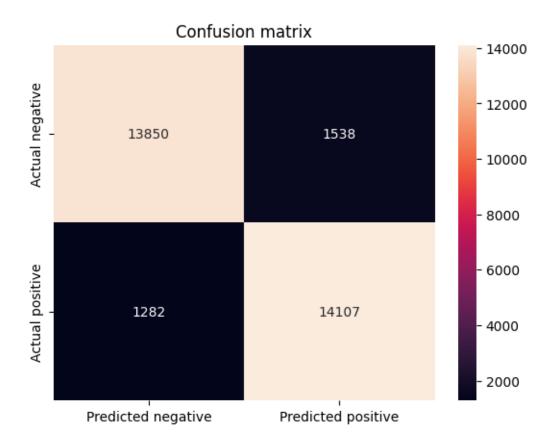


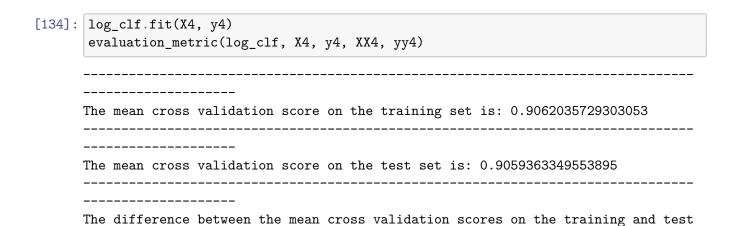
The AUC score is: 0.9622099648246989

The accuracy score is: 0.9083731357832148

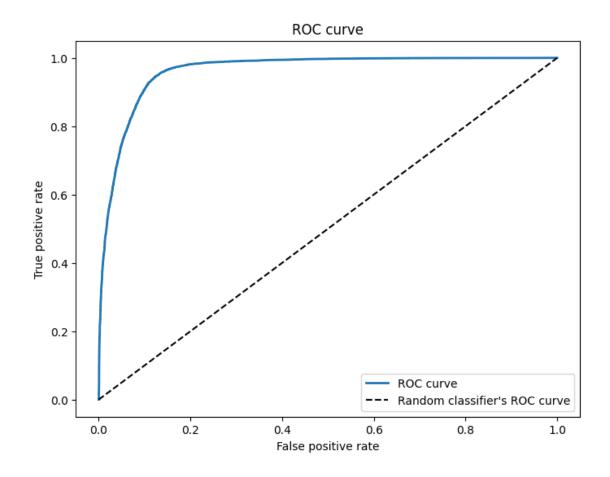
The true negative rate (TNR) is: 0.9000519885625162

The true positive rate (TPR) is: 0.9166937422834492





data: 0.0002672379749157905

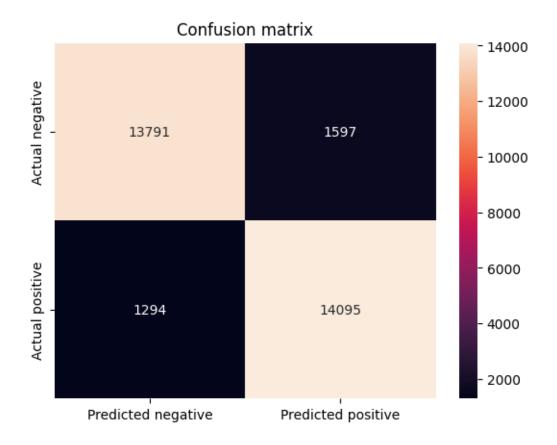


The AUC score is: 0.96191008213426

The accuracy score is: 0.9060662182798843

The true negative rate (TNR) is: 0.896217832076943

The true positive rate (TPR) is: 0.9159139645201118



Observe:

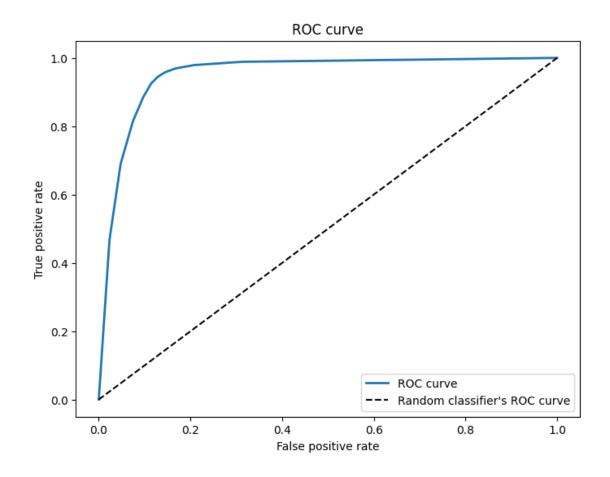
- Accuracy is similar to previous models at around 90%
- The true positive rate is slightly lower than that of the RandomForest model at close to 92%
- AUC is over 96%

7.5 Nearest Neighbours Classifier

```
#print("Best parameters: ", opt_knn.best_params_)
```

Note: It took about 83 minutes to find the best hyperparameters on an M2 Macbook. According to Bayes Search Cross Validation the best algorithm is 'auto', the distance measure is 'euclidean', it has 10 nearest neighbours and the weights are uniform. Let us instantiate a model with these metrics and see how well it performs given our evaluation function.

The difference between the mean cross validation scores on the training and test data: 0.002517653518181895

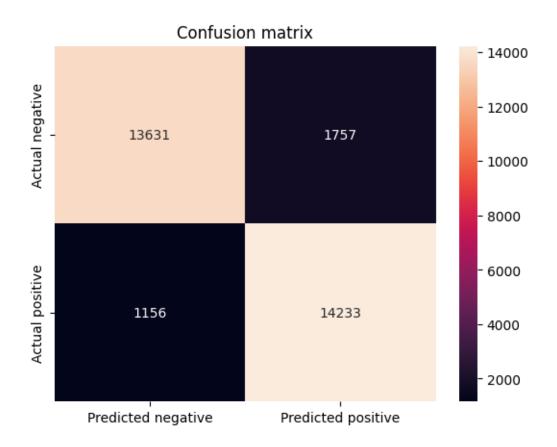


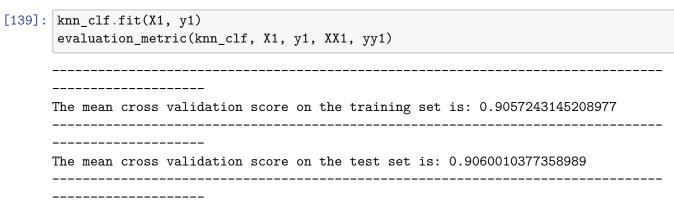
The AUC score is: 0.9509492249543816

The accuracy score is: 0.9053513987718101

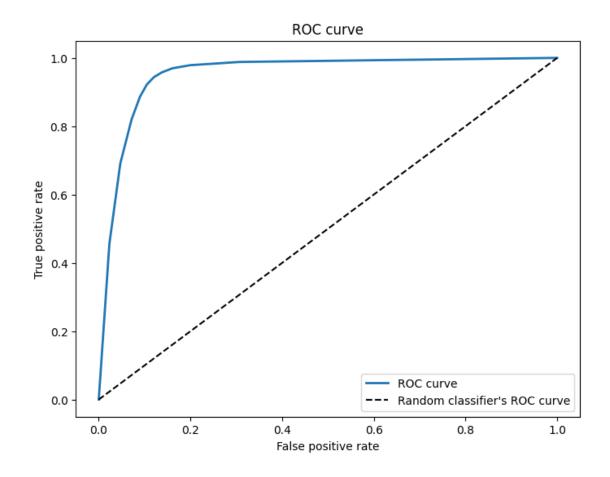
The true negative rate (TNR) is: 0.8858201195736938

The true positive rate (TPR) is: 0.9248814087984925





The difference between the mean cross validation scores on the training and test data: -0.00027672321500116226

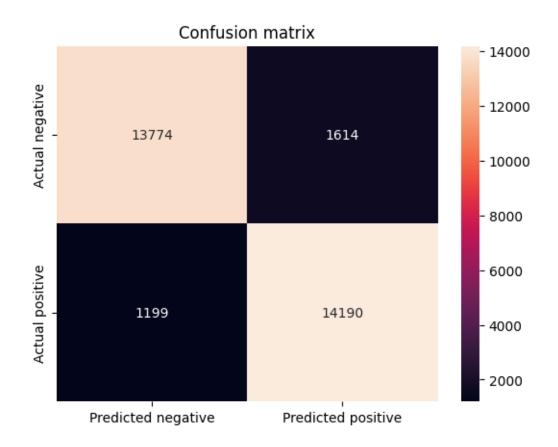


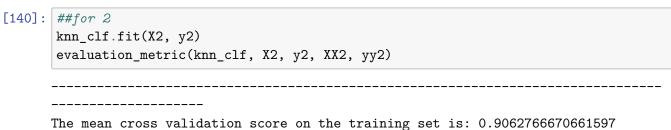
The AUC score is: 0.9521557382270307

The accuracy score is: 0.9086005783539656

The true negative rate (TNR) is: 0.8951130751234728

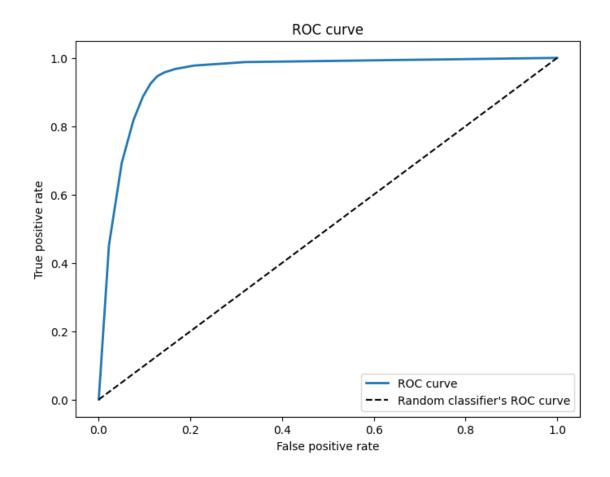
The true positive rate (TPR) is: 0.9220872051465332





The mean cross validation score on the test set is: 0.9039867532959727

The difference between the mean cross validation scores on the training and test data: 0.0022899137701870576

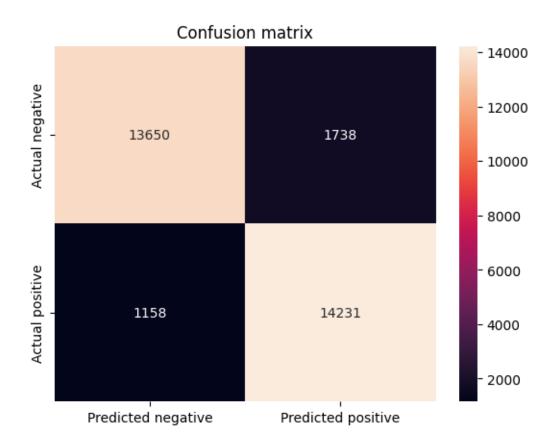


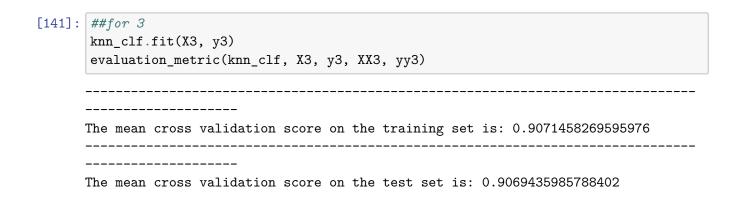
The AUC score is: 0.9501646753511226

The accuracy score is: 0.9059037593007766

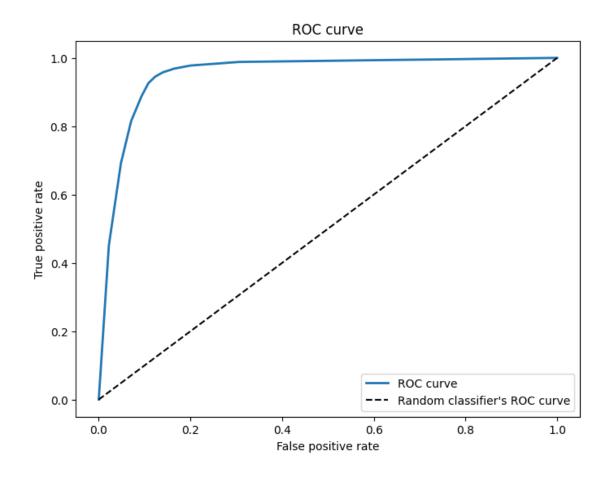
The true negative rate (TNR) is: 0.8870548479334547

The true positive rate (TPR) is: 0.9247514458379362





The difference between the mean cross validation scores on the training and test data: 0.00020222838075734106

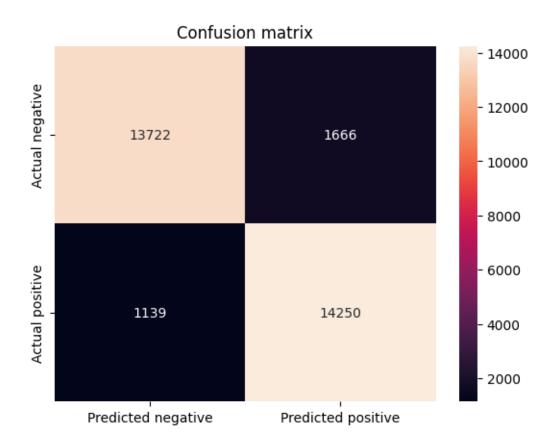


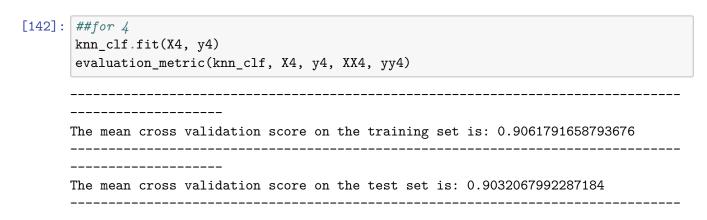
The AUC score is: 0.9518469748468971

The accuracy score is: 0.908860512720538

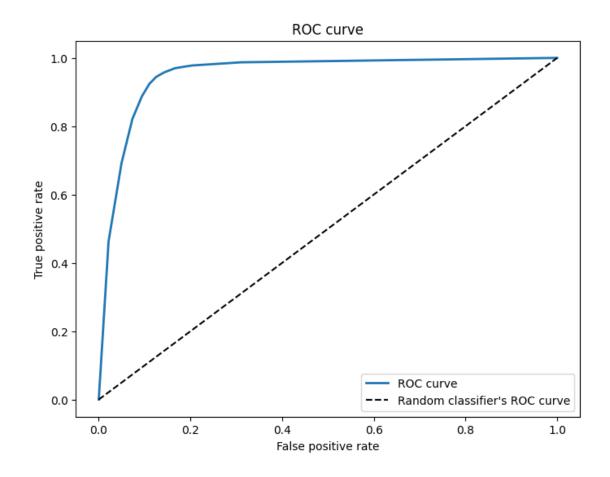
The true negative rate (TNR) is: 0.8917338185599168

The true positive rate (TPR) is: 0.9259860939632205





The difference between the mean cross validation scores on the training and test data: 0.0029723666506492608

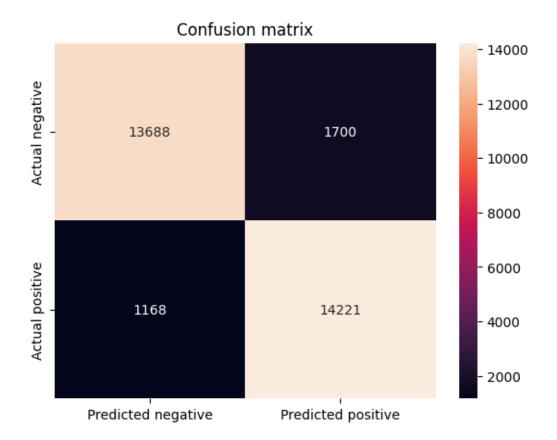


The AUC score is: 0.9512854644198693

The accuracy score is: 0.9068135295837801

The true negative rate (TNR) is: 0.8895243046529764

The true positive rate (TPR) is: 0.924101631035155



Observe:

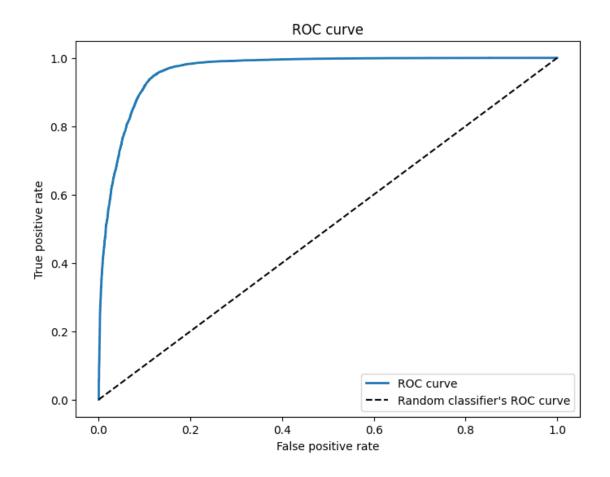
• Practically, the same performance as for logistic regression

7.6 MultiLayer Perceptron

Let us train an MLP model to see if it performs better than the previous ones

```
##let's fit each mlp model to the training data
      opt_mlp.fit(X, y)
      ##let's print the best score and the best parameters
      print("val. score: %s" % opt_mlp.best_score_)
      print("Best parameters: ", opt_mlp.best_params_)
      val. score: 0.950047683761295
      Best parameters: OrderedDict([('activation', 'relu'), ('alpha', 0.01),
      ('learning_rate', 'constant'), ('solver', 'adam')])
      Let's use these hyperparams to instantiate, train and evaluate the model
[145]: | ##instantiating the model with the best parameters found by the hyperparameter__
       \hookrightarrowsearch
      mlp_clf = MLPClassifier(activation= 'relu', alpha= 0.01, learning_rate=_
       [146]: ##fit and evaluate the model
      mlp_clf.fit(X0, y0)
      evaluation_metric(mlp_clf, X0, y0, XX0, yy0)
      The mean cross validation score on the training set is: 0.9137092287068052
      /opt/homebrew/lib/python3.11/site-
      packages/sklearn/neural_network/_multilayer_perceptron.py:686:
      ConvergenceWarning: Stochastic Optimizer: Maximum iterations (200) reached and
      the optimization hasn't converged yet.
        warnings.warn(
      The mean cross validation score on the test set is: 0.910907306325808
```

The difference between the mean cross validation scores on the training and test data: 0.0028019223809971905

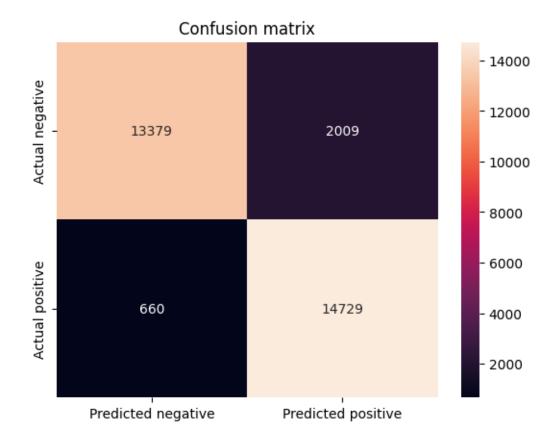


The AUC score is: 0.9638422085642686

The accuracy score is: 0.9132793969522696

The true negative rate (TNR) is: 0.8694437223810761

The true positive rate (TPR) is: 0.9571122230164403



Observe:

- The TPR is the highest at 95.71%
- This also applies to the 96% AUC score
- Accuracy is slightly higher than other models at 91%

7.7 AdaBoost Classifier

As it was noticed that the RandomForest Classifier showed promising results, let us try to to fit an AdaBoost Classifier. For this example, I won't be looking at tuning the hyperparameters with BayesSearchCV or with GridSearchCV, as the model simply boosts a number of previous selected estimators by making use of the residuals of the previous model. In this case, the AdaBoost model uses 300 RandomForest Classifiers to gradually refine its predictions, paying attention to misclassified instances with each iteration.

```
[147]: from sklearn.ensemble import AdaBoostClassifier

##let us boost the random forest classifier model with adaboost

##this creates an instance of the adaboost that uses the previous random forest

classifier as the base estimator

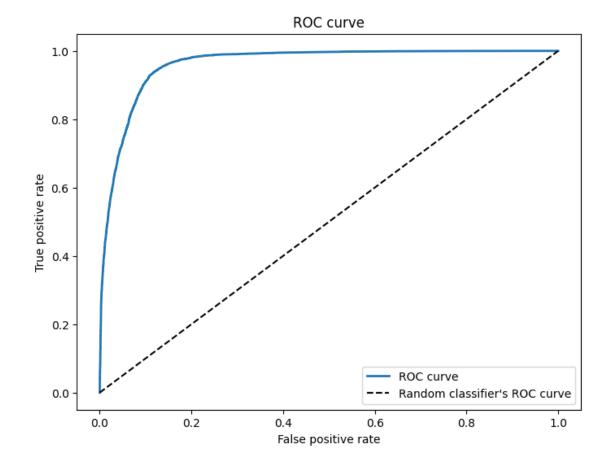
ada_clf = AdaBoostClassifier(estimator=RandomForestClassifier(max_depth= 5, 
max_features='log2', n_estimators= 100, random_state=42), n_estimators=300, 
clearning_rate=0.01, random_state=42)
```

[148]: ##fit and evaluate the model
ada_clf.fit(X0, y0)
evaluation_metric(ada_clf, X0, y0, XX0, yy0)

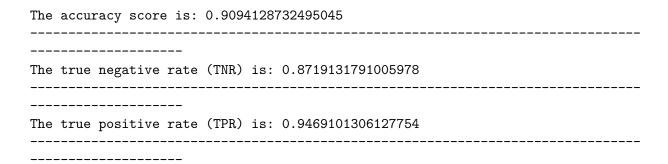
The mean cross validation score on the training set is: 0.9095340008084415

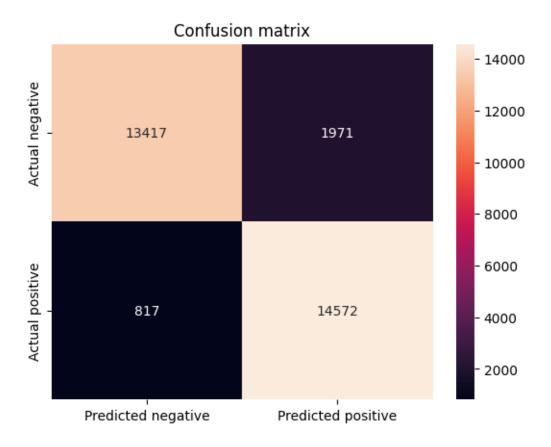
The mean cross validation score on the test set is: 0.9100299655478015

The difference between the mean cross validation scores on the training and test data: -0.0004959647393599775



The AUC score is: 0.9616987234086686





Observe:

- Despite taking relatively longer to run, the scores offered by the AdaBoost Model are inferior to the MultiLayered Perceptron model
- \bullet The true positive rate os quite high at 94.69% and accuracy is comparable with most other models
- Given that this takes a long time to run, it is unlikely it will offer a significant performance boost on the other subsamples

8 6. Voting Classifier

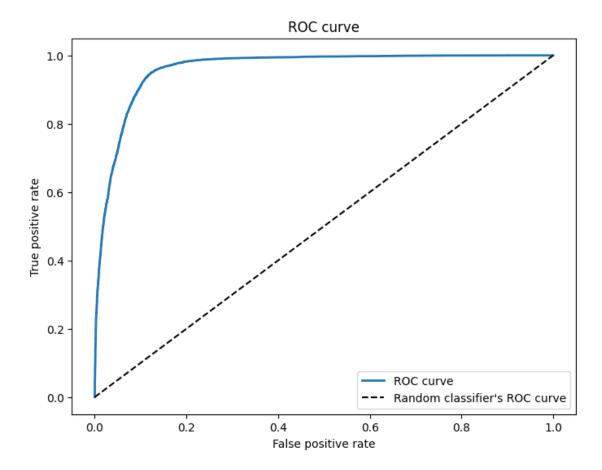
In this section, I will attempt an alternative way of ensemble learning, which is the voting classifier. The aim is to combine several "weaker" learners to see if I can obtain a significantly stronger learner. To maximise the performance of the voting classifiers, I will select the top 3 performing models: MLP, RandomForest and NearestNeighbours. There are two main options forvoting classifiers: (i) a hard voting one (majority wins) and a soft voting classifier (combines probabilities). As hard voting has no predict_proba method, the evaluation metric I chose will not be able to evaluate the recall, which is crucial for this model. Hence, I will use a soft voting approach

8.1 Soft Voting

```
[149]: from sklearn.ensemble import VotingClassifier
[150]: ##create instance of voting classifier
       ##creates an instance of the voting classifier with soft voting
       voting_soft = VotingClassifier(estimators=[
                                                    ('rf', rf_clf),
                                                   ('mlp', mlp_clf),
                                                    ('nn', knn_clf),
                                                    ],
                                                    voting='soft')
[151]: voting_soft.fit(X0, y0)
[151]: VotingClassifier(estimators=[('rf',
                                     RandomForestClassifier(max_depth=5,
                                                             max_features='log2',
                                                             random_state=1923)),
                                    ('mlp',
                                     MLPClassifier(alpha=0.01, random_state=1923)),
                                    ('nn',
                                     KNeighborsClassifier(metric='euclidean',
                                                          n neighbors=10))],
                        voting='soft')
      evaluation_metric(voting_soft, X0, y0, XX0, yy0)
[152]:
      The mean cross validation score on the training set is: 0.9124176651741976
      /opt/homebrew/lib/python3.11/site-
      packages/sklearn/neural_network/_multilayer_perceptron.py:686:
      ConvergenceWarning: Stochastic Optimizer: Maximum iterations (200) reached and
      the optimization hasn't converged yet.
        warnings.warn(
```

The mean cross validation score on the test set is: 0.9113621682451759

The difference between the mean cross validation scores on the training and test data: 0.0010554969290217375

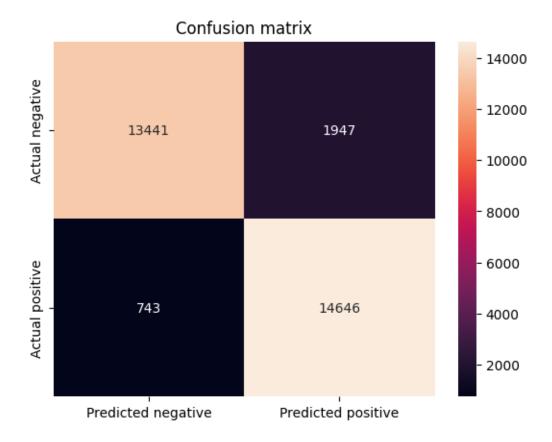


The AUC score is: 0.9610314343814664

The accuracy score is: 0.9125970692400169

The true negative rate (TNR) is: 0.8734728359760853

The true positive rate (TPR) is: 0.9517187601533563



Observe:

- The soft voting classifier is actually inferior to the MLP, which alone is a better classifier
- This indicates that the MLP is the best classifier

9 7. Generalization Errors of Best Model

As the MLP neural network is clearly the superior model, it is worth understand if it can be made even better. So, let us test it onto the real test dataset, that contains imbalanced data and see how well it does the job at detecting anomalies.

9.1 Get Final Predictions

```
[153]: final_predictions = mlp_clf.predict(XX)
[154]: ##these are the final predictions on the test set
    final_predictions
[154]: array([0, 0, 0, ..., 0, 1, 1])
```

```
[155]: yy
[155]: 839287
                 0
       366635
                 0
       9199
                 0
       716029
                 0
       538602
                 0
       320942
                 0
       347670
                 0
       481257
                 0
       390328
                 0
       652881
                 0
       Name: Higher_Risk, Length: 209715, dtype: int64
      9.2 MAE
[156]: from scipy import stats
[157]: ##let's set the confidence level to 95%
       confidence = 0.95
[158]: ##this is simply a vector of squared errors
       sqr_errors = (final_predictions - yy)**2
[159]: ##this is a vector containing the absolute errors
       errors = np.abs(final_predictions - yy)
      Let's calculate the confidence interval for the mean error
[160]: (stats.t.interval(confidence, len(errors)-1, loc=errors.mean(), scale=stats.
        ⇔sem(errors)))
[160]: (0.1432049605752543, 0.14621639698142977)
      And the root mean squared error:
[161]: from sklearn.metrics import mean_absolute_error
       mae = mean_absolute_error(yy, final_predictions)
[162]:
      mae
```

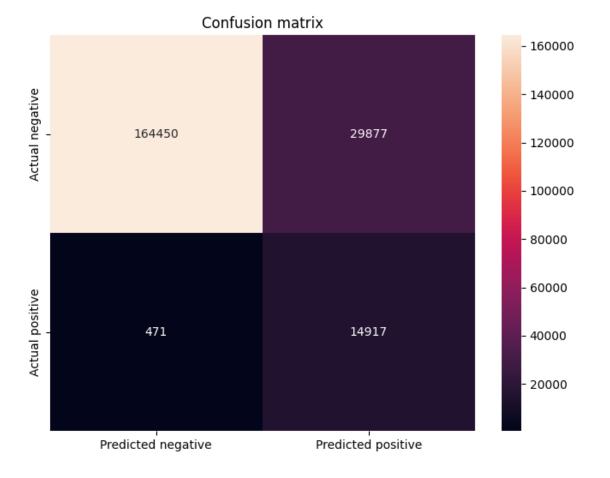
[162]: 0.14471067877834204

The resulting mean absolute error is 0.1447. Given that we predict 1's (Higher_Risk) and 0's (Lower_Risks) the scale is 0 to 1, so the MAE is 14.47% of the predictions. This MAE means that estimated probabilities are 14.47% away from the actual probabilities. To undersand how precise this MAE is, I used the 95% confidence interval from scipy stats, which shows that the mean squared error can be anywhere from 0.1432 to 0.1462. This shows that the precision is about 2% for the

mean absolute error. However, this precision only refers to the MAE itself, the actual probabilities for the patient being at high risk should be considered within a range of 14.47% probability.

9.3 Confusion Matrix

Let's also look at the confusion matrix for these final predictions with the MLP model



```
[164]: yy.value_counts()
```

Imbalance in the test set 7.918611412721856

As the test data on which we test the MLP is taken from the covid original data, it has 209715 observations and the classes are imbalanced with with just over 7.9% of all cases being high risk. From the confusion matrix, the MLP model did quite well. Let's summarise the main points:

- There are 14917 TP (true positives). This is the number of correct classified higher_risk covid patients. The false negatives (FN) represent the higher risk patients that were misclassified : 471. From the values in the confusion matrix, we can get the true positive rate with the usual formula : TPR = TP/(TP + FN). If we insert the values from this confusion matrix the TPR turns out to be 96.93% which gives a pretty confidence in these predictions. The TPR can be interpreted as the probability of a positive prediction to be true. In this case, the model probability for each positive prediction to be correct is 96.93%.
- However, the model misclassifes many negative cases: 29877. This means that we get many more patients classified as high risk than they actually are
- The true negative rate TNR can be calculated similarly to understand how confident we should be in the values of the majority class (lower risk). TNR for this model is 84.62%, however, this is not a big problem given that the model gives high confidence in higher risk predictions (96%). Hence, the models correctly classifies almost all patients at high risk appropriately, the TNR simply suggests that there are many patients that are lower risk that will most likely be classified as high risk (about 30000). Since getting more treatment than necessary is not harmful, the False Positives do not present a major problem.

This model's strength is that is is very confidence in making predictions of the positive class, which is the minority class. Given that the ratio between minority class and majority class is close to 8:100, the model does a great job in offering high confidence predictions for the minority class (covid high risk patients). This is very important, as the goal of the project was to find such a model, that predicts the minority class very well, to avoid misclassifying patients that are at high risk.

9.4 Accuracy

Let's also have a look at the accuracy of the model, which shows how many predictions (percetange wise) are correct. This metric is complementary to the TPR which is the most important for this case (to predict well the minority class). However, accuracy can be useful too in understanding how the model performs. Since the test set contains highly imbalanced classes, we should get accuracy over 92% for the model to performs well by this metric. The reason for this is that around 92%

of the data are 0's, so if a model would predict 0 all the time, it would be right 92% of the times. However, a model that predicts 0 all the time, is clearly not a good model.

```
[181]: ##calculate accuracy directly from Scikit-Learn's accuracy_score method accuracy_score(yy, final_predictions)
```

[181]: 0.855289321221658

The accuracy is clearly not very good, but as said before, the more important metric is TPR which is over 96%. To test the calculation above, it is simply to calculate the accuracy directly from the confusion matrix. It is the sum of true values (main diagonal) over all values.

```
[179]: true_predictions = conf_mat[0][0] + conf_mat[1][1]
print ("The number of true predictions is", true_predictions)
```

The number of true predictions is 179367

```
[180]: accuracy_hand = true_predictions/len(yy)
print ("The accuracy calculated by hand is", accuracy_hand)
```

The accuracy calculated by hand is 0.855289321221658

Clearly this calculation seems to be correct. Hence, we have a model that predicts correctly 85% of the time, but when it predicts a high risk covid patient, there is over 96% probability that it's prediction are correct. The confidence in the negative predictions are lower, with a true negative rate of 84.6%

10 Launch

Now that we have our best model, let us save it for further use. I will use joblib to do it.

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['MEDICAL_UNIT']),
                                        ('categorical',
                                         Pipeline(steps=[('customtransformer',
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                                          'CARDIOVASCULAR', 'OBESITY', 'RENAL_CHRONIC',
                                          'TOBACCO', 'ICU', 'COVID_POSITIVE',
                                          'COVID_INCONCLUSIVE']),
                                        ('numerical',
                                         Pipeline(steps=[('standardscaler',
                                                          StandardScaler())]),
                                         ['AGE']),
                                        ('categorical simple',
                                         Pipeline(steps=[('onehotencoder',
       OneHotEncoder(handle_unknown='ignore'))]),
                                         ['SEX', 'PATIENT_TYPE']),
                                        ('drop_age', 'drop',
                                         ['CLASIFFICATION_FINAL', 'DATE_DIED',
                                          'Higher_Risk', 'Lower_Risk'])])
[112]: joblib.dump(preprocessing, "preprocessing.pkl")
[112]: ['preprocessing.pkl']
  []:
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