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ABSTRACT

Travel insurance serves as a crucial financial safeguard, offering coverage against unforeseen expenses and losses incurred during travel. With the advent of the proliferation of insurance types and the amplified demand for Covid-related coverage, insurance companies face the imperative task of accurately predicting customers' likelihood to purchase insurance. This can assist the insurance providers in focusing on the most lucrative clients and boosting sales. By employing advanced machine learning techniques, this study aims to forecast the consumer segments most inclined to acquire travel insurance, allowing targeted strategies to be developed. A comprehensive analysis was carried out on a Kaggle dataset comprising prior clients of a travel insurance firm utilizing the K-Nearest Neighbours (KNN), Decision Tree Classifier (DT), Support Vector Machines (SVM), Naïve Bayes (NB), Logistic Regression (LR), and Random Forest (RF) models. Extensive data cleaning was done before model building. Performance evaluation was then based on accuracy, F1 score. Inexplicably, BernoulliNB() and GaussianNB() outperformed other models, achieving an accuracy of 0.71. The findings of this study are a valuable guide for deploying machine learning algorithms in predicting travel insurance purchases, thus empowering insurance companies to target the most lucrative client and bolster revenue generation.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Travel insurance is a vital aspect of travel planning that provides travellers with financial protection against unforeseen events that may occur during a trip. These events could include medical emergencies, flight cancellations, lost or stolen luggage, and other travel-related mishaps. With the rise in global travel, the demand for travel insurance has grown exponentially, with travellers looking for the most cost-effective and comprehensive coverage.

This predictive model will utilize machine learning, data mining, and statistical analysis techniques to identify patterns and trends in the data. The model will examine historical data on past travel insurance purchases, demographic information, and travel itinerary to predict the likelihood of an individual purchasing travel insurance. In this project, we have some database history of the customer as a dataset. The target variable of this dataset is the customer will buy travel insurance or not. The goal of this project is to create a predictive model that can accurately predict the likelihood of an individual purchasing travel insurance based on various factors like Age, Income, Number of Family members etc.

> Purpose

Predicting travel insurance needs helps travelers choose the right coverage for their trips. It involves anticipating risks like medical emergencies or trip cancellations to select suitable insurance. This can prevent overpaying for unnecessary coverage or being underinsured. Accurate predictions make the process easier and ensure travelers are better protected and informed.

Scope

The scope of predicting travel insurance needs typically includes analyzing various risk factors like travel destinations, trip duration, and planned activities. It involves developing models or tools to forecast potential risks and recommend appropriate coverage options. This project would also encompass gathering data, designing user-friendly interfaces, and ensuring the predictions are accurate and useful for travelers in making informed insurance choices.

➤ Objective of Project on Predictive Analysis for Travel Insurance:

The objective of the project on Predictive Analysis for Travel Insurance is to develop a robust analytical framework that can forecast travel-related risks and optimize insurance coverage. The primary goal is to leverage historical data and predictive modeling techniques to accurately estimate the likelihood of various travel issues, such as medical emergencies, trip cancellations, or lost baggage. By doing so, the project aims to provide personalized insurance recommendations based on individual travel profiles and risk factors.

The project involves collecting and preprocessing data related to travel behaviors, insurance claims, and risk events. Using advanced machine learning algorithms and statistical methods, the system will analyze patterns and trends to predict potential risks associated with different types of travel. This predictive analysis will help travelers select appropriate insurance plans that provide adequate coverage without unnecessary expense.

2. SYSTEM AND SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS

➤ Hardware Specifications:

Machine: Desktop/Laptop

Operating System: Windows 10 (or above) or Linux 18 LTS(or above)

Processors: Intel core i5 (minimum)

Memory: 8 GB RAM or above

Hard Disk (SSD): 250GB or more

Video Card (optional): Intel Integrated Graphics (suggested – 4GB graphics

card - NVIDIA)

Network: Ethernet / Wi-Fi with 25Mbps Speed Connection (UL/DL)

> Software Specifications:

Language: Python 3.7 or above (stable build)

Platform: Anaconda Latest stable build

Notebook: Google Colab

Libraries: Pandas, Numpy, Matplotlib, Seaborn, Plotly, Scikit Learn.

3. DATA COLLECTION

We have taken the data from Toffee Insurance Company, which consists of ten columns, for this research.

Descriptive Statistics:

Number of Rows-101001

Number of Columns-10

Key Input Variables:

- ✓ Age The customer's age
- ✓ Employment Type The Industry in which the customer works
- ✓ Graduate or Not This refers to the customer's status as a college graduate
- ✓ Annual Income The customer's annual income expressed in Indian rupees
- ✓ Family Member -The customer's Family size
- ✓ Chronic Diseases-To know if the customers have any serious medical conditions
- ✓ Frequent Flyer -To know how many customers are a frequent traveler
- ✓ Ever Travelled Abroad -To know if the customers ever traveled overseas
- ✓ Travel Insurance To know if the customers bought the Travel Insurance

Outcome variable:

Binary Classification task determining whether the customer possesses travel insurance. (0 and 1)

4. DATA PREPROCESSING

In the first step, we have used below mentioned Libraries to read the data and by using file_path data loading has been done:

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
import plotly.express as px
sns.set_style('whitegrid')
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
Step 1: Load the data

[145]
file_path = '/content/TravelInsurancePrediction_Dataset.csv'
data = pd.read_csv(file_path)
```

To check the data types of the columns data.info() command given:

```
Step 2: Understand the data
 data.info()
  <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
 RangeIndex: 101000 entries, 0 to 100999
 Data columns (total 9 columns):
        Column
                                     Non-Null Count
                                                              Dtype
                                      101000 non-null
                                                              float64
       Age
      Age 101000 non-null
Employment Type 101000 non-null
GraduateOrNot 101000 non-null
AnnualIncome 101000 non-null
FamilyMembers 101000 non-null
ChronicDiseases 101000 non-null
FrequentFlyer 101000 non-null
                                                              object
                                                              object
                                                              float64
                                                              float64
                                                              float64
                                                              object
       EverTravelledAbroad 101000 non-null
                                                              object
        TravelInsurance
                                      101000 non-null
                                                              float64
 dtypes: float64(5), object(4)
memory usage: 6.9+ MB
```

Converted the Float column into Integer:

```
float_columns = data.select_dtypes(include=['float64']).columns
    data[float_columns] = data[float_columns].astype(int)
    print("\nData types after converting all float columns to integers:")
    print(data.dtypes)
₹
    Data types after converting all float columns to integers:
                            int64
                           object
    Employment Type
                           object
    GraduateOrNot
    AnnualIncome
                           int64
    FamilyMembers
                           int64
    ChronicDiseases
                            int64
    FrequentFlyer
                           object
    EverTravelledAbroad object
    TravelInsurance
                            int64
    dtype: object
[ ] data_types = data.dtypes
    print("\nData Types:\n", data.dtypes)
₹
    Data Types:
                             int64
     Age
    Employment Type
                           object
    GraduateOrNot
                           object
    AnnualIncome
                            int64
```

After receiving the data, certain modifications were implemented to clean it up.

<u>Handling Missing Values:</u> The dataset underwent filtration to identify discrepancies or missing values. No gaps or missing data were identified.

Removing Column: An unnamed column was identified and removed during subsequent machine learning analysis, and its indexing for dashboard presentation was adjusted to start at 1 instead of 0.

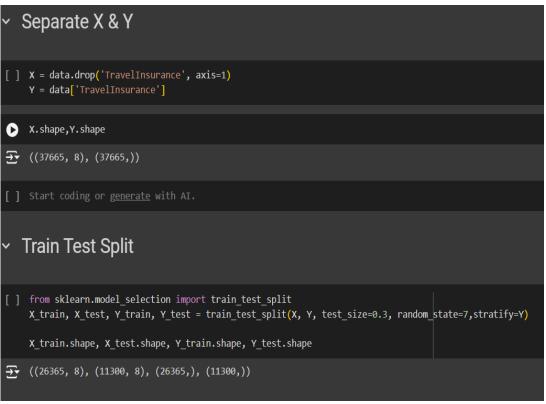
<u>Converting data:</u> Additionally, four columns, namely (Employment Type, Graduate or Not, Frequent Flyer and Ever Travelled Abroad) indicating categorical data, were converted to numerical format by using one hot encoding method to enhance clarity and improve model performance.

```
missing_values = data.isnull().sum()
    print("\nMissing Values:\n", data.isnull().sum())
Ŧ
    Missing Values:
     Age
    Employment Type
    GraduateOrNot
                            0
    AnnualIncome
    FamilyMembers
    ChronicDiseases
                            0
    FrequentFlyer
                            0
    EverTravelledAbroad
    TravelInsurance
    dtype: int64
    data_summary = data.describe()
    print("\nData Summary:\n", data.describe())
    Data Summary:
                       Age AnnualIncome FamilyMembers ChronicDiseases
    count 101000.000000 1.010000e+05 101000.000000
                                                            101000.000000
               29.262604 9.328520e+05
                                               4.393891
                                                                 0.170069
    mean
               2.954213 3.608964e+05
24.000000 2.999990e+05
27.000000 6.000000e+05
                                               1.828206
                                                                 0.375696
    std
    min
                                               1.000000
                                                                 0.000000
    25%
                                               3.000000
                                                                 0.000000
                29.000000 9.000000e+05
    50%
                                               4.000000
                                                                 0.000000
    75%
                32.000000 1.200000e+06
                                               6.000000
                                                                 0.000000
                35.000000 1.800000e+06
    max
                                               9.000000
                                                                 1.000000
```

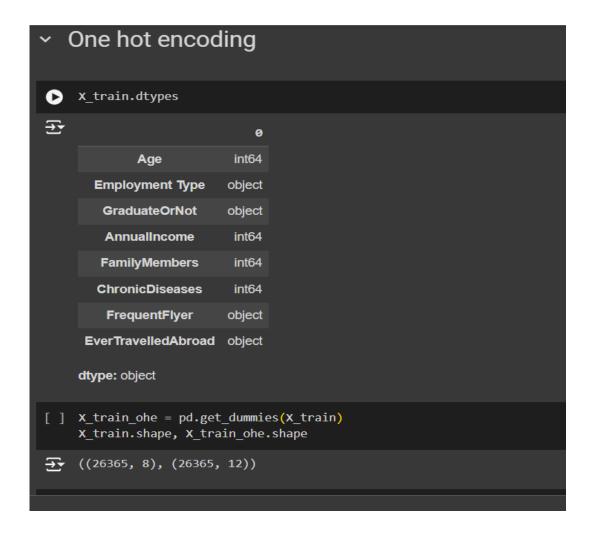
After Preprocessing, please find few rows of the dataset:

```
First 5 Rows of Data:
                       Employment Type GraduateOrNot AnnualIncome
    Age
0
    30
                    Government Sector
                                                  Yes
                                                              899999
1
    25
                    Government Sector
                                                  Yes
                                                             1300000
2
    33
                                                  Yes
                    Government Sector
                                                             1300000
3
    33
                                                              399999
                    Government Sector
                                                  Yes
4
    32 Private Sector/Self Employed
                                                  Yes
                                                              350000
   FamilyMembers
                  ChronicDiseases FrequentFlyer EverTravelledAbroad
0
                                  0
                                                No
                5
1
                                  0
                                               Yes
                                                                     Yes
2
                4
                                  1
                                                No
                                                                     No
3
                6
                                  0
                                                No
                                                                     No
                2
4
                                  0
                                                No
                                                                     No
   TravelInsurance
0
                  0
1
                  0
2
                  0
3
                  0
4
                  0
```

Separated the Target variable and and then Training and Testing Data:

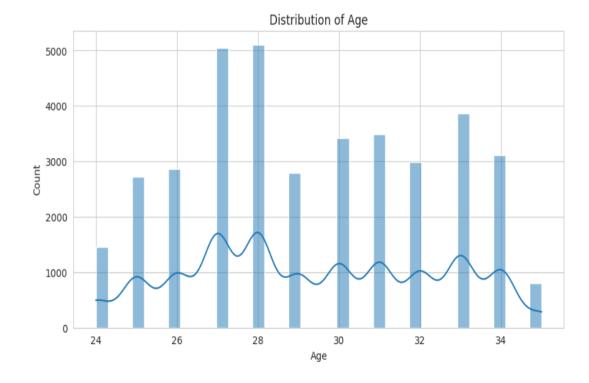


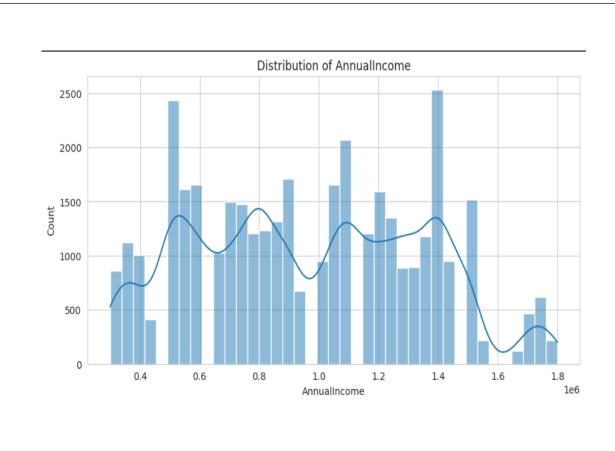
Categorical Column converted into Numerical column:

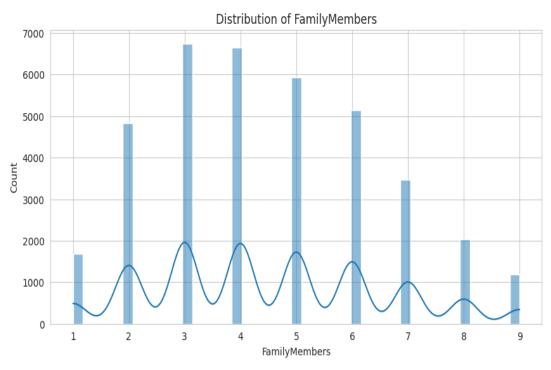


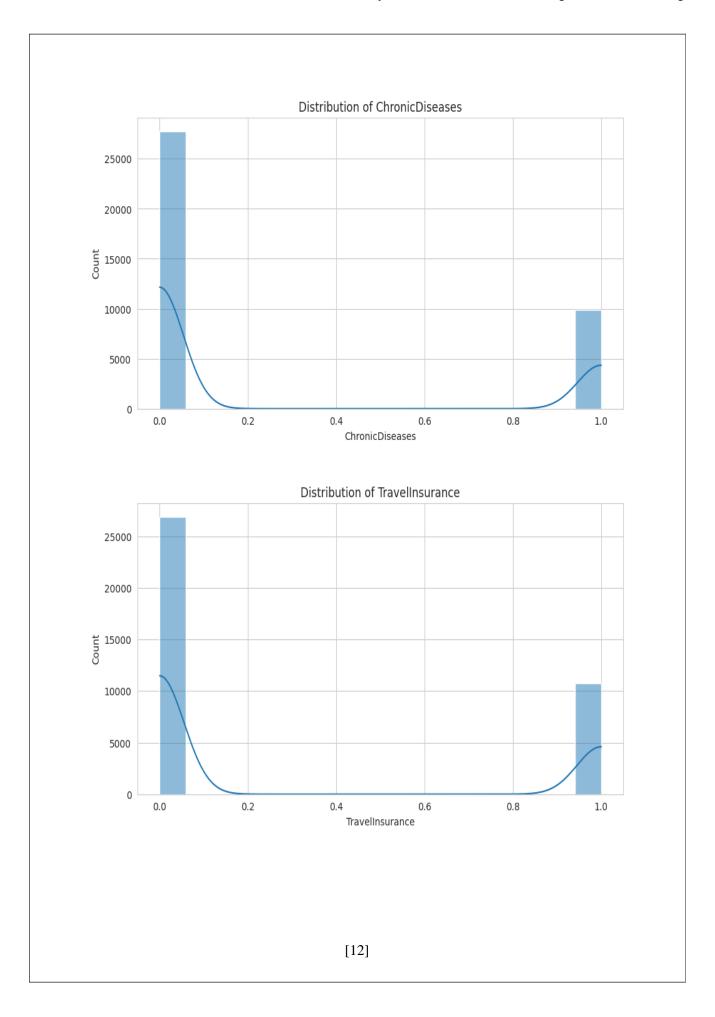
Univariate Analysis done for the distribution for numerical features as to understand the distribution and characteristics of that single variable without considering the influence of any other variables.

```
# Distribution of numerical features
num_features = data.select_dtypes(include=[np.number]).columns
for feature in num_features:
    plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
    sns.histplot(data[feature], kde=True)
    plt.title(f'Distribution of {feature}')
    plt.show()
```









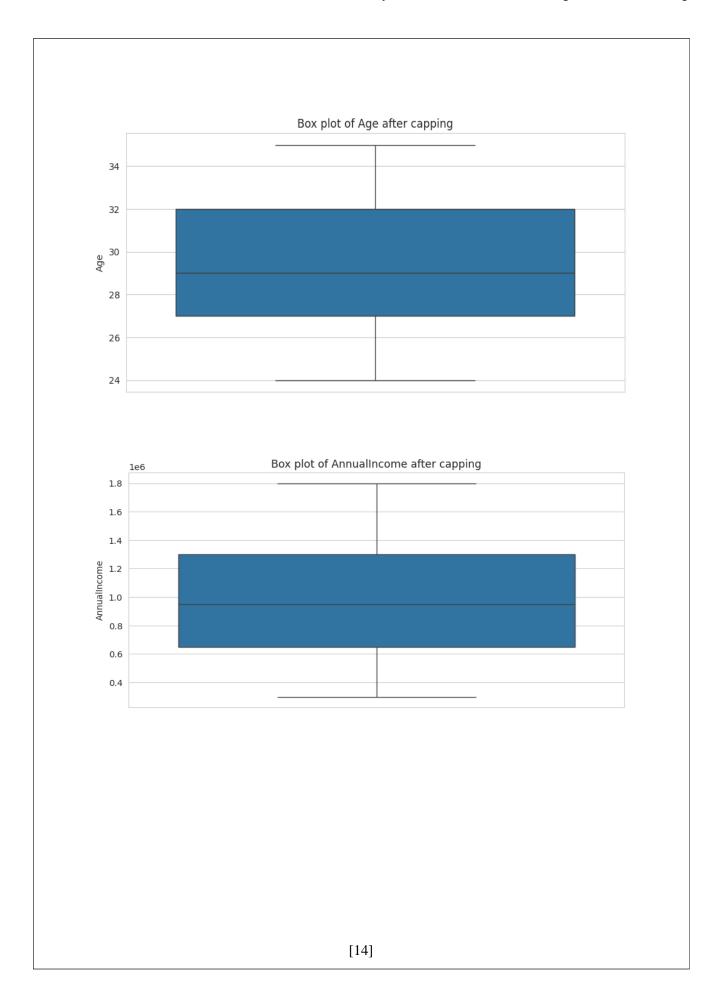
To find the outliers following methods are used: 1.

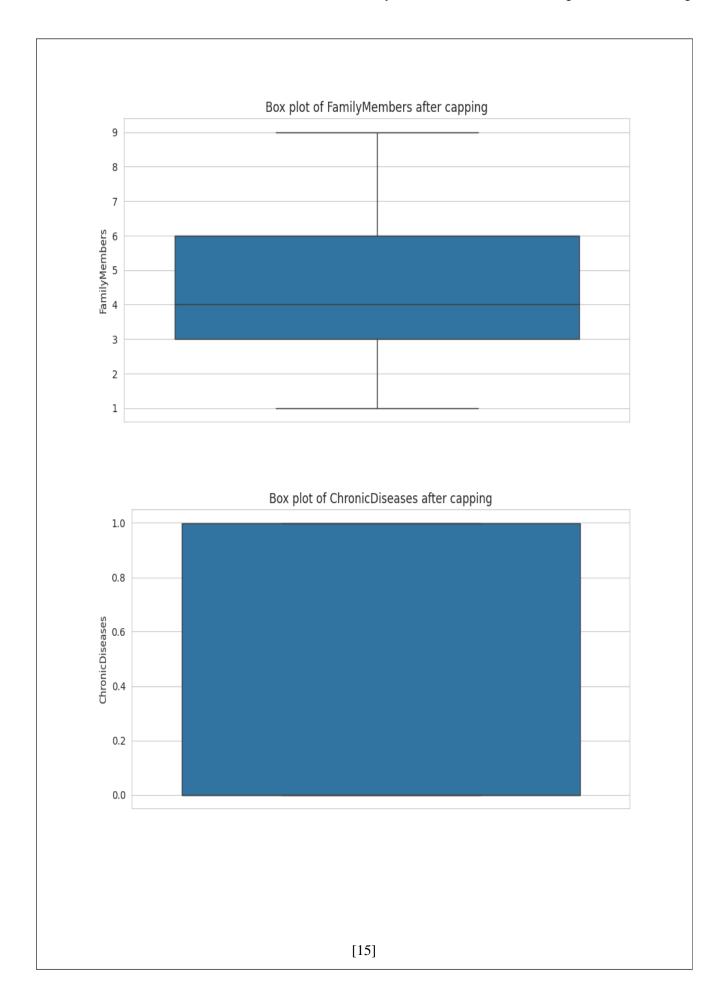
```
num_features = data.select_dtypes(include=[np.number]).columns
for feature in num_features:
    outliers = detect_outliers_iqr(data, feature)
    print(f'Outliers detected in {feature}: {len(outliers)}')

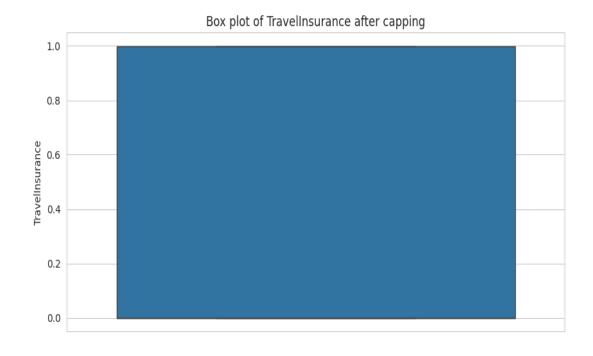
Outliers detected in Age: 0
Outliers detected in AnnualIncome: 0
Outliers detected in FamilyMembers: 0
Outliers detected in ChronicDiseases: 0
Outliers detected in TravelInsurance: 0
```

2.

```
def cap outliers(df, column):
   Q1 = df[column].quantile(0.25)
   Q3 = df[column].quantile(0.75)
   IQR = Q3 - Q1
   lower bound = Q1 - 1.5 * IQR
   upper bound = Q3 + 1.5 * IQR
   df[column] = np.where(df[column] < lower bound, lower bound, df[column])</pre>
   df[column] = np.where(df[column] > upper bound, upper bound, df[column])
   return df
for feature in num features:
   data = cap outliers(data, feature)
   # Check the box plot after capping
   plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
   sns.boxplot(data[feature])
   plt.title(f'Box plot of {feature} after capping')
   plt.show()
```

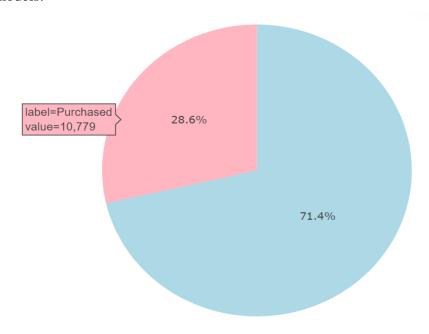






5. ILLUMINATING PATTERNS AND TRENDS

Visualization in machine learning not only aids in understanding data and model behavior but facilitates effective communication of results to stakeholders. It helps make informed decisions, troubleshoot issues, and build trust in machine learning models.



Out of the company's 37,652 customers, only 28.6% opted to purchase the travel insurance package and 71.4% of people have not bought the travel insurance.

6. MODEL SELECTION

The process of model selection involves choosing appropriate machine learning algorithms that are well-suited to the problem at hand—in this case, predicting the likelihood of customers purchasing travel insurance. Several algorithms were considered based on their suitability for classification tasks, their ability to handle different types of data, and their performance characteristics. Below are the models that were considered:

- Logistic Regression: This is a simple yet effective algorithm for binary classification
 problems. It models the probability of the default class (in this case, whether a
 customer will purchase travel insurance) using a logistic function. Logistic
 Regression was considered because it provides interpretable results and performs well
 when the relationship between features and the target variable is approximately linear.
- Decision Trees: Decision Trees are a versatile algorithm that splits the data into subsets based on the values of input features, creating a tree-like structure. They are easy to interpret and can handle both numerical and categorical data. Decision Trees were chosen because they provide a clear understanding of feature importance and are capable of capturing non-linear relationships between features and the target variable.
- Random Forest: Random Forest is an ensemble method that builds multiple Decision
 Trees and merges them to produce a more robust and accurate prediction. It reduces
 the risk of overfitting and improves generalization by averaging the results from
 multiple trees. Random Forest was considered because it tends to perform well on a
 wide range of problems and can handle large datasets with high-dimensional features.
- Support Vector Machines (SVM): SVMs are powerful classifiers that work by finding
 the hyperplane that best separates the data into classes. SVMs are effective in highdimensional spaces and are useful when the number of dimensions exceeds the
 number of samples. They were considered for their ability to handle complex, nonlinear relationships.

- Naive Bayes: is a probabilistic classifier that uses Bayes' Theorem with the
 assumption that features are independent given the class label. It calculates the
 likelihood of data belonging to each class and assigns the class with the highest
 probability. It's simple, fast, and works well for text classification.
- k-Nearest Neighbours (k-NN): is a non-parametric classifier that assigns a data point to the class most common among its k nearest neighbours in the

feature space. It's intuitive and adaptable but can be computationally expensive and sensitive to the choice of k-NN and distance metric.

Training Process:

- The data was first preprocessed to ensure it was in the correct format for training.
 This involved encoding categorical variables, normalizing numerical features, and handling missing values.
- The model was then trained on the training set, learning the relationship between the features and the target variable.
- Cross-validation was employed to further validate the model's performance and
 ensure that it was not overfitting to the training data. This technique involves
 splitting the training set into several smaller sets, training the model on each set,
 and averaging the results.

Evaluation Metrics:

Several evaluation metrics were used to assess the performance of the model:

- Accuracy: The proportion of correctly predicted instances out of the total instances.
 It is a useful metric when the classes are balanced, but less informative when there is a class imbalance.
- Precision: The ratio of true positive predictions to the total number of positive predictions. It indicates how many of the predicted positive cases were actually positive.

- Recall (Sensitivity): The ratio of true positive predictions to the total number of actual positive cases. It measures how well the model identifies true positive cases.
- F1-Score: The harmonic mean of precision and recall. It provides a single metric that balances both precision and recall, especially useful when dealing with imbalanced classes.

The model's performance was evaluated based on these metrics, and the results were compared across different models to select the best-performing one.

Classifications

```
[ ] from sklearn.naive_bayes import GaussianNB, MultinomialNB, BernoulliNB from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsClassifier from sklearn.svm import SVC from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
```

• Logistics Regression:

```
lr = LogisticRegression(class_weight='balanced',random_state = 7,solver = 'saga')
    lr.fit(X train ohe,Y train)
    lr.coef
   array([[-1.20514974e-06, 1.07585978e-07, -1.36718978e-07,
            -3.02234022e-08, -3.09326117e-08, -1.26412280e-08,
            -3.52342333e-08, -8.33960639e-09, -1.34820775e-08,
            -3.00917621e-08, -1.15844720e-08, -3.19893677e-08]])
[ ] Y_pred = lr.predict(X_test_ohe)
    Y_test.shape,Y_pred.shape
    from sklearn.metrics import classification report
    print(classification_report(Y_test,Y_pred))
₹
                  precision
                               recall f1-score
                                                  support
               0
                       0.00
                                 0.00
                                           0.00
                                                     8066
                       0.29
                                1.00
                                           0.45
                                                    3234
        accuracy
                                           0.29
                                                    11300
                       0.14
                                 0.50
                                           0.22
                                                   11300
       macro avg
    weighted avg
                                           0.13
                       0.08
                                0.29
                                                    11300
```

• Support Vector Machine Algorithm:

```
svc1 = SVC(class_weight='balanced', random_state=7)
svc1.fit(X train ohe, Y train)
Y_pred_svc = svc1.predict(X_test_ohe)
print("SVC Classification Report:\n",classification_report(Y_test,Y_pred_svc))
SVC Classification Report:
              precision
                          recall f1-score
                                             support
                  0.76
                           0.70
                                     0.73
                                               8066
                  0.37
                           0.43
                                     0.40
                                               3234
   accuracy
                                     0.63
                                              11300
                  0.56
                                              11300
                            0.57
                                     0.56
   macro avg
weighted avg
                  0.64
                                     0.63
                            0.63
                                              11300
```

• MultinomialNB() Algorithm

```
] mnb = MultinomialNB()
    mnb.fit(X_train_ohe,Y_train)
    Y_pred_mnb = mnb.predict(X_test_ohe)
    print("MultinomialNB Classification Report:\n",classification_report(Y_test,Y_pred_mnb))
→ MultinomialNB Classification Report:
                   precision
                               recall f1-score
                                                  support
                       0.76
                                0.72
                                          0.74
                                                    8066
                       0.38
                                                    3234
                                0.43
                                          0.40
        accuracy
                                          0.64
                                                   11300
                       0.57
       macro avg
                                0.57
                                          0.57
                                                   11300
                                                   11300
    weighted avg
                       0.65
                                0.64
                                          0.64
```

• KNeighbors Classifier Algorithm

```
knn = KNeighborsClassifier()
    knn.fit(X_train_ohe,Y_train)
    Y_pred_knn = knn.predict(X_test_ohe)
    print("KNeighborsClassifier Classification Report:\n",classification report(Y test,Y pred knn))
→ KNeighborsClassifier Classification Report:
                   precision
                               recall f1-score
                                                  support
                      0.73
                                0.80
                                          0.76
                                                    8066
                      0.33
                                0.24
                                          0.28
                                          0.64
                                                   11300
        accuracy
                      0.53
                                0.52
                                          0.52
                                                   11300
       macro avg
    weighted avg
                      0.61
                                0.64
                                          0.62
                                                   11300
```

• RandomForestClassifier Algorithm:

```
rfc = RandomForestClassifier(max_samples= 0.8,oob_score = True,random_state=7)
rfc.fit(X_train_ohe,Y_train)
Y pred rfc = rfc.predict(X test ohe)
print("RandomForestClassifier Classification Report:\n",classification_report(Y_test,Y_pred_rfc))
RandomForestClassifier Classification Report:
             precision
                         recall f1-score
                                           support
                 0.68
                          0.72
                                   0.70
                                             8066
                 0.17
                          0.14
                                   0.16
                                             3234
                                   0.56
                                            11300
   accuracy
                          0.43 0.43
                 0.42
                                            11300
  macro avg
weighted avg
                 0.53
                          0.56
                                   0.54
                                            11300
```

• DecisionTree Classifier Algorithm:

```
dtc = DecisionTreeClassifier(criterion='gini', random_state=7,class_weight= 'balanced')
    dtc.fit(X_train_ohe,Y_train)
    Y pred dtc = dtc.predict(X test ohe)
    print("DecisionTreeClassifier Classification Report:\n",classification_report(Y_test,Y_pred_dtc))
→ DecisionTreeClassifier Classification Report:
                  precision recall f1-score support
                               0.60
                                         0.63
                      0.67
                                                   8066
                                                  3234
                      0.21
                               0.27
                                         0.23
                                         0.50
                                                 11300
        accuracy
                               0.43
                                         0.43
                                                 11300
       macro avg
                     0.44
    weighted avg
                     0.54
                                         0.52
                               0.50
                                                 11300
```

7. MODEL COMPARISON

As per Observation, BernoulliNB and GaussiaNB algorithm gives the best accuracy 71%.

Sr. No.	Models	Accuracy
1	BernoulliNB()	71%
2	GaussianNB()	71%
3	K-Nearest Neighbors (KNN)	65%
4	MultinomialNB()	65%
5	Support Vector Machines (SVM)	63%
6	Random Forest Classifier	57%
7	DecisionTreeClassifier	52%
8	LogisticRegression	29%

8. CONCLUSION

In conclusion, this project has successfully developed a predictive model for travel insurance purchases, offering valuable insights into customer behaviour and actionable recommendations for the business. While the model performs well, there is always room for improvement and further exploration. By continuing to refine the model, enrich the data, and explore new avenues for personalization and real-time predictions, the business can stay ahead in a competitive market and better meet the needs of its customers.

We applied six different classification models, including Logistic Regression (LR), Decision Tree (DT), Random Forest (RF), K-Nearest Neighbour (KNN), Naive Bayes (NB) and Support Vector Machines (SVC) to classify the data and determined that the Naive Bayes (NB) algorithm provided the best accuracy score of 71%, making it the recommended model for further use.

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- https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/naive_bayes.html
- https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/tree.html
- https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/ensemble.html#random-forests-and-other-randomized-tree-ensembles
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