Title: Discussion on the ethical concerns of COMPASS

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1. Problem Statement

We are investigating COMPAS, a popular commercial algorithm for predicting reoffending likelihoods (recidivism) for criminal defendants. There has been evidence that the algorithm is biased towards white defendants and against black inmates. Next, use a fairness approach to improve the model.

In order to accomplish this, I need first to explore the data and prepare it, then assess the fairness, then use one of the approaches to optimize it

Here are the steps I will take in this project:

- 1. Data Collection
- 2. Data Exploration: This will be done to identify the most important features and combine them in new ways.
- 3. Data Preprocessing: Lay out a pipeline of tasks for transforming data for use in my machine learning model.
- 4. Model Assessment: Determine the type of descrimination.
- 6. How to improve the fairness
- 7. Conclusion & recommendations

2. Data Collection

In this step I do two things:

- Identify data sources
- Split the data into training and test sets

Before starting, as a first step, I will call some libraries I need in order to build my model.

```
import seaborn as sns
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
from IPython.display import set_matplotlib_formats
%matplotlib inline
import os
import warnings
from sklearn.model_selection import StratifiedShuffleSplit
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```
warnings.filterwarnings("ignore")
from sklearn.datasets import make_regression, make_classification, make_blobs
import sklearn.model_selection
import sklearn.linear_model
```

Source of the data: (kaggle.com, n.d.)

```
In [3]: # Load the data from Kaggle Repository
   initial_data = pd.read_csv('cox-violent-parsed.csv')

# Examine date structure and return the top 5 rows of the data frame.
   initial_data.head(5)
```

Out[3]:	id	name	first	last	compas_screening_date	sex	dob	age	age_cat	race	•••	v_type_of_assessment	v_decile_score	v_score_text	v_screening_date	in_custody	out_custody	priors_count.1	sta	art end
	0 1.0	miguel hernandez	miguel	hernandez	14/08/2013	Male	18/04/1947	69	Greater than 45	Other		Risk of Violence	1	Low	14/08/2013	07/07/2014	14/07/2014	0		0 327
	1 2.0	miguel hernandez	miguel	hernandez	14/08/2013	Male	18/04/1947	69	Greater than 45	Other		Risk of Violence	1	Low	14/08/2013	07/07/2014	14/07/2014	0	3	334 961
	2 3.0	michael ryan	michael	ryan	31/12/2014	Male	06/02/1985	31	25 - 45	Caucasian		Risk of Violence	2	Low	31/12/2014	30/12/2014	03/01/2015	0		3 457
	3 4.0	kevon dixon	kevon	dixon	27/01/2013	Male	22/01/1982	34	25 - 45	African- American		Risk of Violence	1	Low	27/01/2013	26/01/2013	05/02/2013	0		9 159
	4 5.0	ed philo	ed	philo	14/04/2013	Male	14/05/1991	24	Less than 25	African- American		Risk of Violence	3	Low	14/04/2013	16/06/2013	16/06/2013	4		0 63

5 rows × 52 columns

In the table above, the date columns are displayed in object format

Out[4]:	id	name	first	last	compas_screening_date	sex	dob	age	age_cat	race	v_type_of_assessment	v_decile_score	v_score_text	v_screening_date	in_custody	out_custody	priors_count.1	start	end	evei
	0 1.0	miguel hernandez	miguel	hernandez	2013-08-14	Male	1947- 04-18	69	Greater than 45	Other	Risk of Violence	1	Low	2013-08-14	2014-07- 07	2014-07-14	0	0	327	
	1 2.0	miguel hernandez	miguel	hernandez	2013-08-14	Male	1947- 04-18	69	Greater than 45	Other	Risk of Violence	1	Low	2013-08-14	2014-07- 07	2014-07-14	0	334	961	
	2 3.0	michael ryan	michael	ryan	2014-12-31	Male	1985- 06-02	31	25 - 45	Caucasian	Risk of Violence	2	Low	2014-12-31	2014-12- 30	2015-03-01	0	3	457	
	3 4.0	kevon dixon	kevon	dixon	2013-01-27	Male	1982- 01-22	34	25 - 45	African- American	Risk of Violence	1	Low	2013-01-27	2013-01- 26	2013-05-02	0	9	159	
	4 5.0	ed philo	ed	philo	2013-04-14	Male	1991- 05-14	24	Less than 25	African- American	Risk of Violence	3	Low	2013-04-14	2013-06- 16	2013-06-16	4	0	63	

5 rows × 52 columns

In [5]: #Check the type data of my attributes
my_data.info()

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 18316 entries, 0 to 18315
Data columns (total 52 columns):
    Column
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    id
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                            11001 non-null float64
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    name
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    first
                            18316 non-null object
                            18316 non-null object
3
    last
                            18316 non-null datetime64[ns]
    compas_screening_date
4
5
    sex
                            18316 non-null object
    dob
                            18316 non-null datetime64[ns]
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                            18316 non-null int64
7
    age
                            18316 non-null object
    age_cat
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    race
                            18316 non-null object
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                            18316 non-null int64
14 priors_count
                            18316 non-null int64
15 days_b_screening_arrest 17019 non-null float64
                            17019 non-null datetime64[ns]
16 c_jail_in
17 c_jail_out
                            17019 non-null datetime64[ns]
18 c_case_number
                            17449 non-null object
                            14364 non-null datetime64[ns]
19 c_offense_date
20 c_arrest_date
                            3085 non-null datetime64[ns]
21 c_days_from_compas
                            17449 non-null float64
22 c_charge_degree
                            17449 non-null object
23 c_charge_desc
                            17435 non-null object
24 is_recid
                            18316 non-null int64
25 r case number
                            8417 non-null
                                           object
26 r_charge_degree
                            8417 non-null
                                            object
27 r_days_from_arrest
                            6359 non-null
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28 r_offense_date
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29 r charge_desc
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30 r_jail_in
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36 vr_offense_date
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                                           datetime64[ns]
37 vr_charge_desc
                            1339 non-null
                                            object
38 type_of_assessment
                            18316 non-null
                                           object
39 decile_score.1
                            18316 non-null int64
40 score_text
                            18293 non-null object
41 screening_date
                            18316 non-null datetime64[ns]
                            18316 non-null object
42 v_type_of_assessment
43 v decile score
                            18316 non-null int64
                            18310 non-null object
44 v_score_text
45 v_screening_date
                            18316 non-null datetime64[ns]
46 in_custody
                            17722 non-null datetime64[ns]
                            17722 non-null datetime64[ns]
47 out_custody
48 priors_count.1
                            18316 non-null int64
49 start
                            18316 non-null int64
50
    end
                            18316 non-null int64
                            18316 non-null int64
51 event
dtypes: datetime64[ns](14), float64(5), int64(14), object(19)
memory usage: 7.3+ MB
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In [6]: #Check if there are null values in my dataset
 my_data_not_nut = my_data.isnull().sum()

```
#display non null data
        my_data_not_nut[my_data_not_nut>0]
                                   7315
Out[6]:
        days_b_screening_arrest
                                   1297
        c_jail_in
                                   1297
        c_jail_out
                                   1297
        c_case_number
                                   867
                                   3952
        c_offense_date
                                  15231
        c_arrest_date
                                   867
        c_days_from_compas
                                   867
        c_charge_degree
        c_charge_desc
                                   881
        r_case_number
                                   9899
        r_charge_degree
                                   9899
        r_days_from_arrest
                                  11957
                                   9899
        r_offense_date
        r_charge_desc
                                  10039
        r_jail_in
                                  11957
        r_jail_out
                                  11957
                                  18316
        violent_recid
        vr_case_number
                                  16977
                                  16977
        vr_charge_degree
        vr_offense_date
                                  16977
                                  16977
        vr_charge_desc
                                    23
        score_text
                                     6
        v_score_text
        in_custody
                                    594
                                    594
        out_custody
        dtype: int64
```

48% (25 from 51) of the attributes has null values!

The dataset I have has 52 attributes, to make my analysis more efficient I will drop the unecessary ones to my study

```
In [7]: #List of the attributes I am keeping
    needed_attributes = ["id","name","dob","compas_screening_date","c_offense_date","sex","age","age_cat","race","c_charge_degree","c_charge_desc",
    "days_b_screening_arrest", "decile_score", "is_recid","r_offense_date", "c_case_number","v_decile_score",
    "is_violent_recid","vr_offense_date","score_text"]

#Copy my data in a new variable, to keep the original one untouched
    analysis = my_data.loc[:,needed_attributes].copy()
    analysis
```

Out[7]:		id	name	dob	compas_screening_date	c_offense_date	sex	age	age_cat	race	c_charge_degree	c_charge_desc	days_b_screening_arrest	decile_score	is_recid	r_offense_date	c_case_number	v_decile_scc
	0	1.0	miguel hernandez		2013-08-14	2013-08-13	Male	69	Greater than 45	Other	(F3)	Aggravated Assault w/Firearm	-1.0	1	0	NaT	13011352CF10A	
	1	2.0	miguel hernandez		2013-08-14	2013-08-13	Male	69	Greater than 45	Other	(F3)	Aggravated Assault w/Firearm	-1.0	1	0	NaT	13011352CF10A	
	2	3.0	michael ryan	1985- 06-02	2014-12-31	NaT	Male	31	25 - 45	Caucasian	NaN	NaN	NaN	5	-1	NaT	NaN	
	3	4.0	kevon dixon	1982- 01-22	2013-01-27	2013-01-26	Male	34	25 - 45	African- American	(F3)	Felony Battery w/Prior Convict	-1.0	3	1	2013-05-07	13001275CF10A	
	4	5.0	ed philo	1991- 05-14	2013-04-14	2013-04-13	Male	24	Less than 25	African- American	(F3)	Possession of Cocaine	-1.0	4	1	2013-06-16	13005330CF10A	
	•••																	
	18311	NaN	alexsandra beauchamps		2014-12-29	2014-12-28	Female	31	25 - 45	African- American	(M1)	Battery	-1.0	6	0	NaT	14018106MM10A	
	18312	NaN	winston gregory		2014-01-14	2014-01-13	Male	57	Greater than 45	Other	(F2)	Aggravated Battery / Pregnant	-1.0	1	0	NaT	14000581CF10A	
	18313	NaN	farrah jean	1982- 11-17	2014-09-03	2014-08-03	Female	33	25 - 45	African- American	(M1)	Battery on Law Enforc Officer	-1.0	2	0	NaT	14003308CF10A	
	18314	NaN	florencia sanmartin		2014-06-30	2014-06-28	Female	23	Less than 25	Hispanic	(F3)	Possession of Ethylone	-2.0	4	1	2015-03-15	14008895CF10A	
	18315	NaN	florencia sanmartin		2014-06-30	2014-06-28	Female	23	Less than 25	Hispanic	(F3)	Possession of Ethylone	-2.0	4	1	2015-03-15	14008895CF10A	

18316 rows × 20 columns

In [8]: # Check if my dataset has any duplicates for the same name

analysis.duplicated().sum()
analysis[analysis.duplicated(["name","age","sex","race","dob"],keep=False)]

Out[8]:		id	name	dob	compas_screening_date	c_offense_date	sex	age	age_cat	race	c_charge_degree	c_charge_desc	days_b_screening_arrest	decile_score	is_recid	r_offense_date	c_case_number	v_decile_score
	0	1.0	miguel hernandez		2013-08-14	2013-08-13	Male	69	Greater than 45	Other	(F3)	Aggravated Assault w/Firearm	-1.0	1	0	NaT	13011352CF10A	1
	1	2.0	miguel hernandez		2013-08-14	2013-08-13	Male	69	Greater than 45	Other	(F3)	Aggravated Assault w/Firearm	-1.0	1	0	NaT	13011352CF10A	1
	4	5.0	ed philo	1991- 05-14	2013-04-14	2013-04-13	Male	24	Less than 25	African- American	(F3)	Possession of Cocaine	-1.0	4	1	2013-06-16	13005330CF10A	3
	5	6.0	ed philo	1991- 05-14	2013-04-14	2013-04-13	Male	24	Less than 25	African- American	(F3)	Possession of Cocaine	-1.0	4	1	2013-06-16	13005330CF10A	3
	6	7.0	ed philo	1991- 05-14	2013-04-14	2013-04-13	Male	24	Less than 25	African- American	(F3)	Possession of Cocaine	-1.0	4	1	2013-06-16	13005330CF10A	3
	•••																	
1	8306	NaN	raheem smith		2013-10-20	2013-10-19	Male	20	Less than 25	African- American	(F3)	Possession of Cocaine	-1.0	9	0	NaT	13014650CF10A	9
1	8307	NaN	raheem smith		2013-10-20	2013-10-19	Male	20	Less than 25	African- American	(F3)	Possession of Cocaine	-1.0	9	0	NaT	13014650CF10A	9
1	8308	NaN	raheem smith		2013-10-20	2013-10-19	Male	20	Less than 25	African- American	(F3)	Possession of Cocaine	-1.0	9	0	NaT	13014650CF10A	9
1	8314	NaN	florencia sanmartin		2014-06-30	2014-06-28	Female	23	Less than 25	Hispanic	(F3)	Possession of Ethylone	-2.0	4	1	2015-03-15	14008895CF10A	4
1	8315	NaN	florencia sanmartin		2014-06-30	2014-06-28	Female	23	Less than 25	Hispanic	(F3)	Possession of Ethylone	-2.0	4	1	2015-03-15	14008895CF10A	4

The data has many multiple duplicates.

11423 rows × 20 columns

In [9]: # remove duplication of the same case, every case should be represented one time
analysis_ND=analysis.drop_duplicates(subset='c_case_number',keep='last')
analysis_ND

Out[9]:		id	name	dob	compas_screening_date	c_offense_date	sex	age	age_cat	race	c_charge_degree	c_charge_desc	days_b_screening_arrest	decile_score	is_recid	r_offense_date	c_case_number	v_decile_sco
	1	2.0	miguel hernandez		2013-08-14	2013-08-13	Male	69	Greater than 45	Other	(F3)	Aggravated Assault w/Firearm	-1.0	1	0	NaT	13011352CF10A	
	3	4.0	kevon dixon	1982- 01-22	2013-01-27	2013-01-26	Male	34	25 - 45	African- American	(F3)	Felony Battery w/Prior Convict	-1.0	3	1	2013-05-07	13001275CF10A	
	8	9.0	ed philo	1991- 05-14	2013-04-14	2013-04-13	Male	24	Less than 25	African- American	(F3)	Possession of Cocaine	-1.0	4	1	2013-06-16	13005330CF10A	
	9	10.0	marcu brown		2013-01-13	2013-12-01	Male	23		African- American	(F3)	Possession of Cannabis	NaN	8	0	NaT	13000570CF10A	
	10	11.0	bouthy pierrelouis		2013-03-26	NaT	Male	43	25 - 45	Other	(F7)	arrest case no charge	NaN	1	0	NaT	12014130CF10A	
	•••																	
	18310	NaN	malcolm simmons		2014-01-02	2014-01-31	Male	23		African- American	(F3)	Leaving the Scene of Accident	-1.0	3	0	NaT	14001422CF10A	
	18311	NaN	alexsandra beauchamps		2014-12-29	2014-12-28	Female	31	25 - 45	African- American	(M1)	Battery	-1.0	6	0	NaT	14018106MM10A	
	18312	NaN	winston gregory		2014-01-14	2014-01-13	Male	57	Greater than 45	Other	(F2)	Aggravated Battery / Pregnant	-1.0	1	0	NaT	14000581CF10A	
	18313	NaN	farrah jean	1982- 11-17	2014-09-03	2014-08-03	Female	33	25 - 45	African- American	(M1)	Battery on Law Enforc Officer	-1.0	2	0	NaT	14003308CF10A	
	18315	NaN	florencia sanmartin		2014-06-30	2014-06-28	Female	23	Less than 25	Hispanic	(F3)	Possession of Ethylone	-2.0	4	1	2015-03-15	14008895CF10A	

after applying drop duplicate, 1123 Rows deleted from the dataset, now I have only 10310 case remaining

My next step would be prepare my data for analysis

10310 rows × 20 columns

2. Preparing dataset for analysis

Before starting to prepare my data, I remove both the attributes name and dob

```
In [10]: # Drop the attributes name and dob because they will not impact my study
    analysis_ND = analysis_ND.drop("dob", axis=1)
    analysis_ND = analysis_ND.drop("name", axis=1)
    analysis_ND
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Out[10]:		id	compas_screening_date	c_offense_date	sex	age	age_cat	race	c_charge_degree	c_charge_desc	days_b_screening_arrest	decile_score	is_recid	r_offense_date	c_case_number	v_decile_score	is_violent_recid
	1	2.0	2013-08-14	2013-08-13	Male	69	Greater than 45	Other	(F3)	Aggravated Assault w/Firearm	-1.0	1	0	NaT	13011352CF10A	1	0
	3	4.0	2013-01-27	2013-01-26	Male	34	25 - 45	African- American	(F3)	Felony Battery w/Prior Convict	-1.0	3	1	2013-05-07	13001275CF10A	1	1
	8	9.0	2013-04-14	2013-04-13	Male	24	Less than 25	African- American	(F3)	Possession of Cocaine	-1.0	4	1	2013-06-16	13005330CF10A	3	0
	9	10.0	2013-01-13	2013-12-01	Male	23		African- American	(F3)	Possession of Cannabis	NaN	8	0	NaT	13000570CF10A	6	0
	10	11.0	2013-03-26	NaT	Male	43	25 - 45	Other	(F7)	arrest case no charge	NaN	1	0	NaT	12014130CF10A	1	0
	•••																
	18310	NaN	2014-01-02	2014-01-31	Male	23	Less than 25	African- American	(F3)	Leaving the Scene of Accident	-1.0	3	0	NaT	14001422CF10A	5	0
	18311	NaN	2014-12-29	2014-12-28	Female	31	25 - 45	African- American	(M1)	Battery	-1.0	6	0	NaT	14018106MM10A	4	0
	18312	NaN	2014-01-14	2014-01-13	Male	57	Greater than 45	Other	(F2)	Aggravated Battery / Pregnant	-1.0	1	0	NaT	14000581CF10A	1	0
	18313	NaN	2014-09-03	2014-08-03	Female	33	25 - 45	African- American	(M1)	Battery on Law Enforc Officer	-1.0	2	0	NaT	14003308CF10A	2	0
	18315	NaN	2014-06-30	2014-06-28	Female	23	Less than 25	Hispanic	(F3)	Possession of Ethylone	-2.0	4	1	2015-03-15	14008895CF10A	4	0

10310 rows × 18 columns

1. Keep only rows that has a case number and has an id

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In [11]: # keep only rows with a case number
analysis_ND = analysis_ND[analysis_ND["c_case_number"] != "NaN"]
In [12]: # remove all rows with any NaN and NaT values
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[12]: # remove all rows with any NaN and NaT values
#analysis_ND = analysis_ND.dropna()
analysis_ND = analysis_ND.dropna(how='any', subset=['id'])
analysis_ND

Out[12]: _		id	compas_screening_date	c_offense_date	sex	age	age_cat	race	c_charge_degree	c_charge_desc	days_b_screening_arrest	decile_score	is_recid	r_offense_date	c_case_number	v_decile_score is_viol	
	1	2.0	2013-08-14	2013-08-13	Male	69	Greater than 45	Other	(F3)	Aggravated Assault w/Firearm	-1.0	1	0	NaT	13011352CF10A	1	
	3	4.0	2013-01-27	2013-01-26	Male	34	25 - 45	African- American	(F3)	Felony Battery w/Prior Convict	-1.0	3	1	2013-05-07	13001275CF10A	1	
	8	9.0	2013-04-14	2013-04-13	Male	24	Less than 25	African- American	(F3)	Possession of Cocaine	-1.0	4	1	2013-06-16	13005330CF10A	3	
	9	10.0	2013-01-13	2013-12-01	Male	23	Less than 25	African- American	(F3)	Possession of Cannabis	NaN	8	0	NaT	13000570CF10A	6	
	10	11.0	2013-03-26	NaT	Male	43	25 - 45	Other	(F7)	arrest case no charge	NaN	1	0	NaT	12014130CF10A	1	
	•••																
	10989	10990.0	2013-03-18	2013-03-17	Male	34	25 - 45	African- American	(F3)	Possession Of Alprazolam	-1.0	9	1	2013-05-20	13003878CF10A	4	
	10992	10993.0	2013-03-22	2013-03-22	Male	23	Less than 25	African- American	(F3)	Poss 3,4 Methylenedioxymethcath	0.0	9	0	NaT	13004155CF10A	9	
	10994	10995.0	2014-04-28	NaT	Female	31	25 - 45	African- American	(F1)	arrest case no charge	-3.0	4	0	NaT	14005707CF10A	5	
	10996	10997.0	2013-08-02	2013-07-02	Male	30	25 - 45	Hispanic	(F3)	Poss Unlaw Issue Driver Licenc	0.0	2	1	2014-07-06	13001942CF10A	2	
	10997	10998.0	2014-02-24	2014-02-23	Male	52	Greater than 45	African- American	(F3)	Tampering With Physical Evidence	-1.0	1	0	NaT	14002552CF10A	1	

1. I want explore how long people take to be charge for a crime and see if I can filter my selection for cases

6204 rows × 18 columns

```
In [13]: #Check how long arrested people take to be charged for a crime
          analysis_ND["days_b_screening_arrest"].describe()
                   5942.000000
          count
Out[13]:
          mean
                     -0.120498
          std
                     74.925514
          min
                   -578.000000
          25%
                     -1.000000
          50%
                     -1.000000
          75%
                     -1.000000
                   1040.000000
          Name: days_b_screening_arrest, dtype: float64
          More than 75% have less than -1 and with -597 as minimum to keep only quality data, we will limit my analysis on crimes charger within 30 days of arrest
```

In [14]: # Keep only crimes charged within 30 days of arrest.
analysis_ND = analysis_ND.loc[(analysis_ND["days_b_screening_arrest"] > -30) & (analysis_ND["days_b_screening_arrest"] <30)]</pre>

1. Since my purpose is evalute Compass, I will remove all the cases that has the crime after the compass screening

```
In [15]: # Remove cases where the date of crime is after copmas screening
analysis_ND = analysis_ND[analysis_ND["c_offense_date"] < analysis_ND["compas_screening_date"]]</pre>
```

1. Now, I will create 3 groups: Age, Race and Score using CategoricalDtype

```
In [16]: # Group 1: Age
    grp_age = pd.CategoricalDtype(categories=["Less than 25","25 - 45","Greater than 45"],ordered=True)
    analysis_ND["age_cat"] = analysis_ND["age_cat"].astype(grp_age)

# Group 2: Race
    grp_race = pd.CategoricalDtype(categories=['African-American','Caucasian','Hispanic',"Other",'Asian',
    'Native American'],ordered=True)
    analysis_ND["race"] = analysis_ND["race"].astype(grp_race)

# Group 3: Score
    grp_score = pd.CategoricalDtype(categories=["Low","Medium","High"],ordered=True)
    analysis_ND["score_text"] = analysis_ND["score_text"].astype(grp_score)

In [17]: #convert the attributes between "Sex" and "c_charge_degree" to categories with the function astype

for att in ["sex","c_charge_degree"]:
    analysis_ND[att] = analysis_ND[att].astype("category")
```

1. Remove all the rows that has empty value for the attribute score_text

```
In [18]: #remove rows with score text equals NaN
analysis_ND = analysis_ND[analysis_ND["score_text"] != "NaN"]
In [19]: #I will not consider traffic tickets & munipal violations as repeated offense (charge degree equals 0)
#analysis_ND = analysis_ND[analysis_ND["c_charge_degree"] != "O"]
```

- 1. I want to know since when the Compass screening happened for both ordinary and violent offenses (I call both variables 2y_r and 2y_v), to do that I first substract the columns of time, then I assign 3 different values for every case:
 - 0: the offender didnot commit any crime since 1st arrest
 - 1: the offender committed a new crime in less than 2 years

analysis_ND["2y_v"] = nbr_offenses("vr_offense_date","is_violent_recid")

• 2: the offender committed a new crime after 2 years

1. I want to foucs only on offenders who didnot or did repeat crime in less then 2 years, so I will remove Offenders who has 2y_r and 2y_v equals 2

```
In [22]: # remove offenders who committed new ordinary crimes after 2 years
analysis_nd_r = analysis_ND[analysis_ND["2y_r"] !=2].copy()

# remove offenders who committed new violent crimes after 2 years
analysis_nd_v = analysis_ND[analysis_ND["2y_v"] != 2].copy()
In [23]: # reset the index to make it easier for me to work with the dataset
analysis_nd_r.reset_index(drop=True,inplace=True)
analysis_nd_v.reset_index(drop=True,inplace=True)
```

- 1. In order to make data extraction easier, I add another 2 new attributes:
 - Attribute 1: devide cases in 2 categories based on the score using binary values, so if the score > 5, the case category will be 1, if the score is lower than 5 the case category will be 0
 - Attribute 2: This attribute will help me know if the prediction of Compass was correct or wrong, so if it is "True", the prediction of Compass was correct, if "False" the prediction was wrong

```
In [24]: #Attribute 1: grouping cases in 2 categories (high score (>=5 and low score <5))</pre>
          analysis_nd_r["binary_score"] = np.where(analysis_nd_r["decile_score"] >=5,1,0)
          analysis_nd_v["binary_v_score"] = np.where(analysis_nd_v["v_decile_score"] >=5,1,0)
In [25]: # Attribute 2: if the prediction is correct return True, else return false
          # For ordinary offense
          analysis_nd_r["prediction_recid"] = analysis_nd_r['is_recid'] == analysis_nd_r["binary_score"]
          # For violent offense
          analysis_nd_v["prediction_vrecid"] = analysis_nd_v['is_violent_recid'] == analysis_nd_v["binary_v_score"]
In [26]: # Index reset
          analysis_nd_r.reset_index(drop=True,inplace=True)
          analysis_nd_v.reset_index(drop=True,inplace=True)
In [27]: #Checking the new values
          analysis_nd_r.head(3)
Out[27]:
             id compas_screening_date c_offense_date sex age age_cat
                                                                          race c_charge_degree c_charge_desc days_b_screening_arrest ... v_decile_score is_violent_recid vr_offense_date score_text days offence 2y_r 2y_v bina
                                                                                                  Aggravated
                                                               Greater
                                                                                                                             -1.0 ...
          0 2.0
                           2013-08-14
                                         2013-08-13 Male
                                                          69
                                                                         Other
                                                                                          (F3)
                                                                                                     Assault
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          1 4.0
                           2013-01-27
                                         2013-01-26 Male 34 25 - 45
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                                                                                                Possession of
                                                                        African-
                                                                 Less
                                         2013-04-13 Male 24
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                                                                                                                                               3
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                                                                                                                                                                          NaT
                                                                                                                                                                                     Low NaN
                                                                                                                                                                                                               0
                                                               than 25 American
                                                                                                    Cocaine
         3 rows × 24 columns
```

In [28]: analysis_nd_v.head(3)

Out[28]:	id	compas_screening_date	c_offense_date	sex	age	age_cat	race	c_charge_degree	c_charge_desc	days_b_screening_arrest	v_decile_score	is_violent_recid	vr_offense_date	score_text	days	offence	2y_r	2y_v bina
	0 2.0	2013-08-14	2013-08-13	Male	69	Greater than 45	Other	(F3)	Aggravated Assault w/Firearm	-1.0	1	0	NaT	Low	NaN	0	0	0
	1 4.0	2013-01-27	2013-01-26	Male	34	25 - 45	African- American	(F3)	Felony Battery w/Prior Convict	-1.0	1	1	2013-05-07	Low	100.0	1	1	1
	2 9.0	2013-04-14	2013-04-13	Male	24	Less than 25	African- American	(F3)	Possession of Cocaine	-1.0	3	0	NaT	Low	NaN	0	1	0

3 rows × 24 columns

Now my data is ready for the exporatory analysis

3. Data Exploration

In this step, I will be exploring my data to understand more about: the relationship between the crime, race, gender, age and the frequent committed crimes

In [29]: # check data analysis_nd_r.describe().T

Out[29]: count mean std min 25% 50% 75% max

		count	mean	sta	min	25%	50%	75%	max
	id	3527.0	5511.070031	3171.661078	2.0	2703.0	5531.0	8284.0	10998.0
	age	3527.0	34.908704	12.090702	18.0	25.0	32.0	42.0	96.0
days_	_b_screening_arrest	3527.0	-1.666005	4.413039	-29.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	29.0
	decile_score	3527.0	4.199036	2.843142	-1.0	2.0	4.0	6.0	10.0
	is_recid	3527.0	0.322937	0.467665	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0
	v_decile_score	3527.0	3.442586	2.444397	-1.0	1.0	3.0	5.0	10.0
	is_violent_recid	3527.0	0.074568	0.262730	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0
	days	263.0	314.019011	250.267909	-218.0	123.5	295.0	489.0	1046.0
	offence	3527.0	0.078537	0.283426	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0
	2y_r	3527.0	0.322937	0.467665	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0
	2y_v	3527.0	0.078537	0.283426	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0
	binary_score	3527.0	0.410547	0.492003	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0

As shown in the table above, from the ordinary 3527 cases:

- 75% of the cases assessed by compass got score 6
- 75% of the offenders are above 42 years old where 32% are recidivists and 7 % are violent recidivist

Out[30]:

	count	unique	top	freq
sex	3527	2	Male	2791
age_cat	3527	3	25 - 45	1978
race	3527	6	African-American	1725
c_charge_degree	3527	12	(F3)	1907
c_charge_desc	3526	321	Battery	737
c_case_number	3527	3527	13011352CF10A	1
score_text	3523	3	Low	2075

From the table above, we notice:

- One of the most common cases is Battery with charge degree F3 with the main race African Americans
- TMost reported cases are from males aging between 25 and 45

After cleaning data, and preparing it, now I will apply SVM to classify it

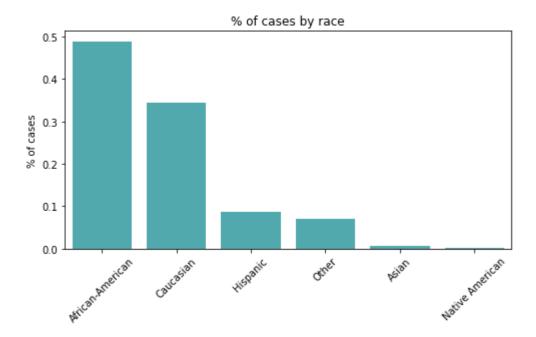
3.1 Explore Race

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- th race, when looking at the statistics, we must always keep in mind that there is very little data on Asians and Native Americans (a good idea would be to group them together with Other in a single category to make it more representative).
 - In general, we realize that almost 50% of the cases belong to African Americans and they are also the ones with the highest percentage of recidivism (almost 40% of the cases are African American).
 - This is important because the dataset is not balanced and can be very biased due to the predominance of this ethnic group.

```
In [31]: race_g = analysis_nd_r["race"].value_counts(normalize=True,ascending=False).reset_index()

plt.figure(figsize=(8,4))
    sns.barplot(x=race_g["index"],y=race_g["race"],color='#42b7bd')
    plt.xticks(rotation=45)
    plt.xlabel("")
    plt.ylabel("% of cases")
    plt.ylabel("% of cases by race")
    plt.show(block=False)
```



• 50% of the cases belong to African-Americans, 35% to Caucasian, and the rest is below 1%

	Tace	
0	African-American	0.385507
1	Caucasian	0.279376
2	Hispanic	0.231270
3	Other	0.240816
4	Asian	0.173913
5	Native American	0.000000

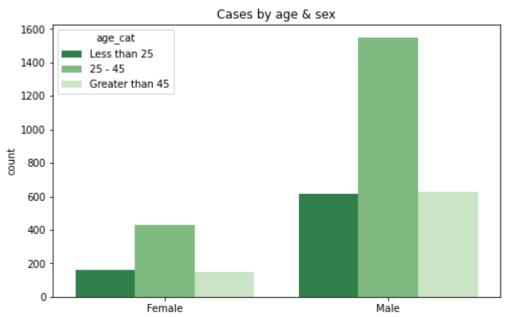
• For Recidivism rate, 39 % of African Americans are recidivist and for Caucasian 28%

In [33]: ##Obtain percentages by rows with normalize
pd.crosstab(analysis_nd_r["race"],analysis_nd_r["age_cat"],normalize=0).style.background_gradient(cmap='Oranges',axis=1)

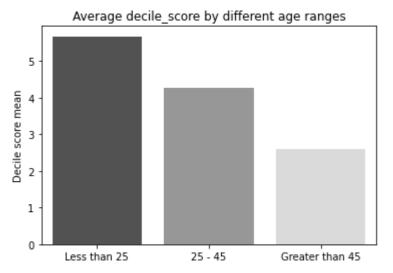
Out[33]: age_cat Less than 25 25 - 45 Greater than 45 race **African-American** 0.267826 0.572174 0.160000 0.156943 0.548069 0.294988 Caucasian Hispanic 0.198697 0.540717 0.260586 0.212245 Other 0.220408 0.567347 Asian 0.217391 0.565217 0.217391 **Native American** 0.100000 0.600000 0.300000

• From the table above, we notice that the predominant age for the different races is between 25 and 45

3.2 Explore link between sex and age



Females are secondary compared to males

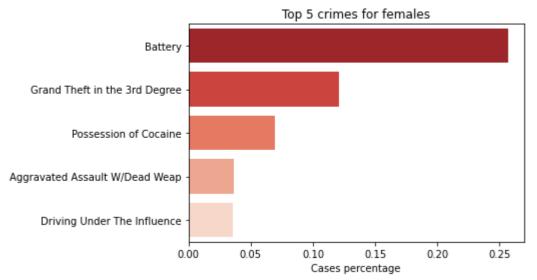


• There is a correlation between age and decile score, the younger the person, the more penalized is.

3.3 Type of crime per sex (gender)

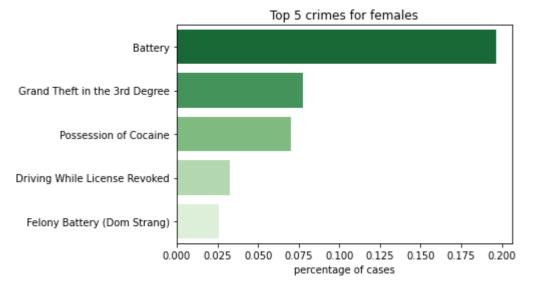
I focus, because of their great variety, only on the 10 most typical. Many could be grouped by type of crime (drugs, vehicle, robbery and assault...) to facilitate the study of the data.

```
In [36]: #Top 5 crimes for women
    female_crime = analysis_nd_r[analysis_nd_r["sex"]=="Female"]["c_charge_desc"].value_counts(normalize=True,ascending=False)[:5].reset_index()
    sns.barplot(data=female_crime,x="c_charge_desc",y="index",palette="Reds_r")
    plt.title("Top 5 crimes for females")
    plt.ylabel("")
    plt.xlabel("Cases percentage")
    plt.show(block=False)
```



```
In [37]: #Top 5 crimes for men
male_crime= analysis_nd_r[analysis_nd_r["sex"]=="Male"]["c_charge_desc"].value_counts(normalize=True,ascending=False)[:5].reset_index()

sns.barplot(data=male_crime,x="c_charge_desc",y="index",palette="Greens_r")
plt.title("Top 5 crimes for females")
plt.ylabel("")
plt.xlabel("percentage of cases")
# so only the graphic appears without any text referring to the object type.
plt.show(block=False)
```



Men and women commit the same top 3 offenses

3.4 Top offenses by both race and sex

```
In [38]: # Here I only consider the top 5 cases by counting their valuees then filtering with the function isin
        top_5_cases = analysis_nd_r["c_charge_desc"].value_counts()[:5].index.tolist()
        top_cases = analysis_nd_r[analysis_nd_r["c_charge_desc"].isin(top_5_cases)]
        Lets explore in more depth top crimes by race
In [39]: pd.crosstab(index=top_cases["c_charge_desc"],columns=top_cases["race"],normalize=1)\
            .style.background_gradient(cmap='Reds',axis=0)
                                                             Other
Out[39]:
                          race African-American Caucasian Hispanic
                                                                     Asian Native American
                   c charge desc
                                    0.666667
                        Battery
        Driving While License Revoked
                                    0.000000
                                    0.333333
          Felony Battery (Dom Strang)
         Grand Theft in the 3rd Degree
                                    0.245125
                                            0.000000
                                    0.188022 0.187500 0.094017 0.048780 0.166667
              Possession of Cocaine
                                                                               0.000000
```

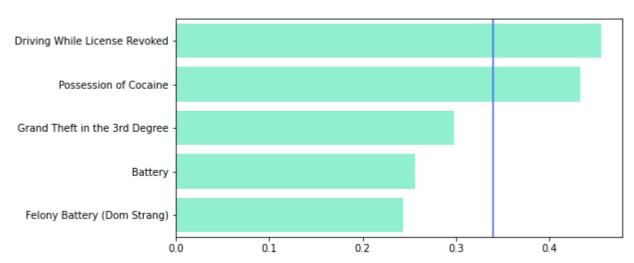
- We already saw from the previous sections, Battery is top committed crime, but what we know more now is that its is taking the highest % for the different races.
- For the top cases, we still have the sames result.

plt.show(block=False)

• The exception we see that both Asian and Native American don't have any crimes on the category Driving while Licesne revoked and also no Grand Theft.

```
In [40]: # Recidivism % between race and the type of the case
        pd.pivot_table(data=top_cases,values="2y_r",index="c_charge_desc",columns="race",fill_value=0)\
           .style.background_gradient(cmap='Oranges',axis=1)
Out[40]:
                                                          Other
                                                                 Asian Native American
                        race African-American Caucasian Hispanic
                  c_charge_desc
                                  Battery
                                  Driving While License Revoked
                                  Felony Battery (Dom Strang)
        Grand Theft in the 3rd Degree
                                  Possession of Cocaine
                                  # % of recidivism by crime type
        percentage_recid_cases = top_cases.groupby("c_charge_desc")["2y_r"].mean().reset_index().sort_values(by="2y_r",ascending=False)
        plt.figure(figsize=(8,4))
        sns.barplot(data=percentage_recid_cases,y="c_charge_desc",x="2y_r", color="#7FFFD4")
        plt.title(" Recidivism by crime type\n",fontsize=15)
        plt.xlabel("")
        plt.ylabel("")
        plt.axvline(x=0.34,color="#4169E1")
```

Recidivism by crime type



4. Check the fairness of the model & how to improve it

- I will compare both ordinary & violent offences and see wich one has better accuracy using logisitc linear
- I will also see the result by both race and sex

```
In [42]: # first I will calcualte TPR, FPR, FNR, TNR for normal offences
         from sklearn.metrics import classification_report
         print(classification_report(analysis_nd_r['2y_r'],analysis_nd_r["binary_score"]))
                       precision
                                    recall f1-score support
                    0
                            0.78
                                      0.68
                                                0.73
                                                          2388
                            0.48
                                                0.53
                                                         1139
                                                0.66
                                                         3527
             accuracy
            macro avg
                            0.63
                                      0.65
                                                0.63
                                                         3527
         weighted avg
                            0.69
                                      0.66
                                                0.67
                                                         3527
In [43]: # calcualte TPR, FPR, FNR, TNR for normal offences
         cross_tab = pd.crosstab(analysis_nd_r["binary_score"],analysis_nd_r['2y_r'],normalize="columns").style.background_gradient(cmap='Reds',axis=1)
         cross_tab
Out[43]:
                2y_r
         binary_score
                             0.392450
                  0 0.683417
                  1 0.316583 0.607550
```

- This model has an accuray of 66%
- Of the actual positive cases it predicted 61% where it is correct in 48% of the cases => False Positive Rate: 1-0.68 = 0.32
- Of the actual negative cases, the model predicted 68% of the cases where it was correct for the 78% cases => False Negative Rate 1-0.61=0.39

Now I check the prediction for violent crimes

```
In [44]: # analysis_nd_v only cases with violent crimes
pd.crosstab(analysis_nd_v["binary_v_score"],analysis_nd_v['2y_v'],normalize="columns").style.background_gradient(cmap='Greens',axis=1)
```

```
Out[44]:
                  2y_v
                             0
                                      1
         binary_v_score
                    0 0.717326 0.469880
                    1 0.282674 0.530120
In [45]: print(classification_report(analysis_nd_v['2y_v'],analysis_nd_v["binary_v_score"]))
                        precision
                                     recall f1-score support
                             0.95
                                       0.72
                                                 0.82
                                                           3336
                                       0.53
                                                 0.20
                                                            249
                    1
                             0.12
                                                           3585
                                                 0.70
             accuracy
                                                 0.51
                                                           3585
            macro avg
                             0.54
                                       0.62
                                                           3585
         weighted avg
                             0.90
                                       0.70
                                                 0.78
         The prediction here is worse than the previous one even though the accuracy shows a higher score, as we see, the prediction for positive cases is higher compared to the previous one (18% more)
```

- Despite the accuracy being higher (0.70 > 0.66)
 - In case of violent crimes, the model is less accurate for positive cases (diffirence 18% higher)
 - False Positive Rate: 0.46

Name: 2y_r, dtype: float64

0.322937

False Negative Rate: 0.28

Conclusion, it shows more accuracy with less accurate predicition for positive cases

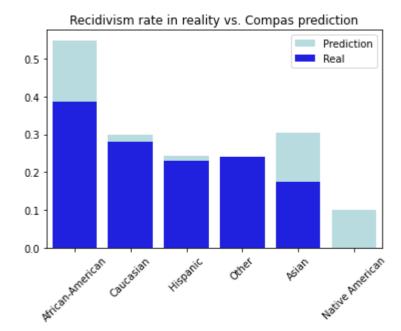
4.1 Check Descrimination of COMPASS for both the race and sex

```
In [48]: # Comparaison between Revidivism & Compas forcast
    reality = analysis_nd_r.groupby("race",as_index=False)["2y_r"].mean()
    compas_prediction = analysis_nd_r.groupby("race")["binary_score"].mean().reset_index()

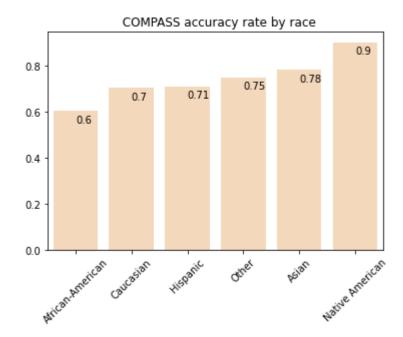
sns.barplot(data=compas_prediction,x="race",y="binary_score",color="powderblue",label="Prediction")

ax= sns.barplot(data=reality,x="race",y="2y_r",color="blue",label="Real")

plt.title("Recidivism rate in reality vs. Compas prediction")
    plt.xticks(rotation=45)
    plt.xlabel("")
    plt.ylabel("")
    plt.legend()
    plt.show(block=False)
```



```
Comparing the reality with the system COMPASS, shows hi less accuray for false positive prediction where the highest % goes for Afriacan american followed by Asians and Native Americans
In [49]: analysis_nd_r.groupby("race").agg({"2y_r":"mean",
                                               "binary_score":"mean"}).style.background_gradient(cmap='Greens',axis=1)
Out[49]:
                              2y_r binary_score
                     race
                                     0.548986
          African-American 0.385507
                Caucasian 0.279376
                                     0.299918
                 Hispanic 0.231270
                                     0.244300
                   Other 0.240816
                                     0.216327
                    Asian 0.173913
                                     0.304348
           Native American 0.000000
                                     0.100000
In [50]: race_acc = analysis_nd_r.groupby("race")["prediction_recid"].mean().reset_index()
          ax= sns.barplot(data=race_acc,x="race",y="prediction_recid",color="#FED8B1")
          plt.title(" COMPASS accuracy rate by race")
          plt.xticks(rotation=45)
          plt.xlabel("")
          plt.ylabel("")
          for num,text in zip(range(6),round(race_acc["prediction_recid"],2)):
              ax.text(num,text-0.05,text)
```



```
In [51]: # Recidivism by gender
prediction_sex = analysis_nd_r.groupby("sex")["binary_score"].mean()
    recidivism_sex = analysis_nd_r.groupby("sex")["2y_r"].mean()
    comparacion_sex = analysis_nd_r.groupby("sex")["prediction_recid"].mean()

    dt_comp_sex_recidivism = pd.concat([prediction_sex,recidivism_sex,comparacion_sex],axis=1).reset_index()
    dt_comp_sex_recidivism.columns = ["sex","decile_score","2y_r","accuracy"]
    dt_comp_sex_recidivism.round(2).style.background_gradient(cmap='Greens',axis=1)
Out[51]: sex_decile_score___2y_r__accuracy
```

0 Female 0.360000 0.210000 0.660000 1 Male 0.420000 0.350000 0.660000

If we look into sex, in real world males are more recidivists than females and we see same in compass.

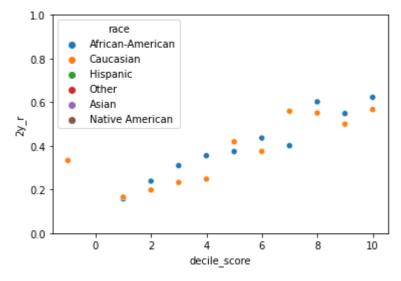
4.2 Percentage of false positives and negative positives

```
In [52]: # Create 2 attributes one for the name and one for the result
          def wrong prediction(att):
              # Build 2 lists one for the FPR and one for FNR
              list att = []
              FPR = []
             FNR = []
              for x in analysis_nd_r[att].unique().tolist():
                  #Filter by race or gender
                  data = analysis_nd_r[analysis_nd_r[att]==x]
                  # create sorting report (with output_dict we return a dictionary)
                  classif_race = classification_report(data['2y_r'],data["binary_score"],output_dict=True)
                 list_att.append(x)
                  # False Positive Rate is 1-exahusivity(recall)
                  false_positive = 1 - classif_race.get("0")["recall"]
                  FPR.append(false_positive)
                  # False Negative Rate 1-TPR
                  false_negative = 1 - classif_race.get("1")["recall"]
                  FNR.append(false_negative)
              # creamos dataframe
```

We can see clearly in the table above, that the African- American has the highest % of False positive rate compared to the rest of races. => This shows clearly the mistreat discrimination

For Gender, Recidivism is same for both gender.

```
In [56]: d = analysis_nd_r.groupby(["decile_score","race"]).agg({"2y_r":"mean"}).reset_index()
d = d[d["race"].isin(["African-American","Caucasian"])]
im = sns.scatterplot(data=d,x="decile_score",y="2y_r",hue="race")
im.set(ylim=(0,1))
plt.show(block=False)
```



4.SUMMARY

- 1. Compas evaluates by race and gender; there are some differences in results, but we must not forget that one of the races has the highest prevalence (nearly 50%) and they are also the most likely to recidivate (nearly 40%).
- 2. Adding the two_year_r feature based on compas report was for the purpose to see if adding this feature will help to narrow the prediction coming from COMPASS

3. We saw that is_violent_racid got better compard to is_recid but no improvement on Positive cases prediction it became worse. My suggestion, is to remove the race from the full data and train the model in a way that it will be always independent from the race. In that way the discrimination will be avoided, maybe not fully but at least it would be better.

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