

## **Capstone Project - 3**

### **Cardiovascular Risk Prediction**

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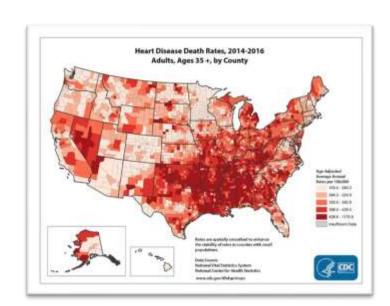
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### **Abstract**

- Cardiovascular diseases (CVDs) are the major cause of mortality worldwide.
- According to WHO, 17.9 million people died from CVDs in 2019, accounting for 32% of all global fatalities.
- Though CVDs cannot be treated, predicting the risk of the disease and taking the necessary precautions and medications can help to avoid severe symptoms and, in some cases, even death.





### **Problem Statement**

- The goal of this project is to develop a classification model that can predict whether a patient is at risk of coronary heart disease (CHD) over the period of 10 years, based on demographic, lifestyle, and medical history.
- The data was gathered from 3390 adults participating in a cardiovascular study in Framingham, Massachusetts.





### **Data Summary**

- Demographic
- Sex
- Age
- Education
- Current Medical Status
- Total cholesterol
- Systolic BP
- Diastolic BP
- BMI
- Heart rate
- Glucose

- > Behavioral
- Is smoking
- Cigarettes per day

- Medical History
- BP medication
- Prevalent stroke
- Prevalent hypertension
- Diabetes
- Ten year risk of CHD → DV



### **Handling Missing Values**

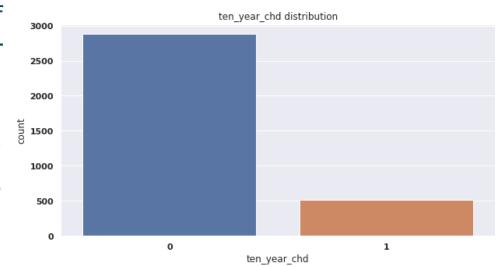
- There were a total of 510 missing values in the dataset.
- Total missing values and how they were handled are as follows:
  - Education(87), BP Medication(44) mode imputation
  - Cigarettes per day(22) imputed with median cigarettes per day for smokers
  - Total cholesterol(38), BMI(14), Heart rate(1) –
     median imputation
  - Glucose(304) **KNN** imputation with k = 10





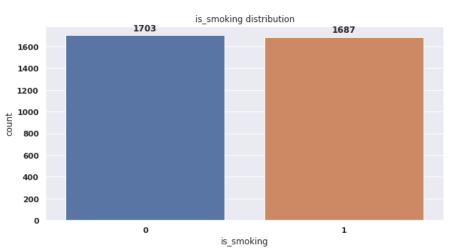
### **Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)**

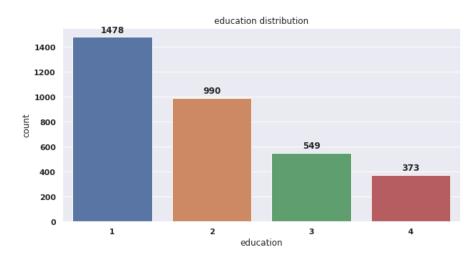
- The dependent variable is imbalanced, with just ~15% of patients testing positive for CHD.
- All continuous independent variables are positively skewed except age, which is almost normally distributed.

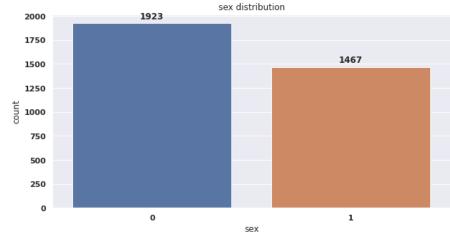




- Half the patients are smokers
- There are **more female** patients than male
- Most patients have education
   level 1

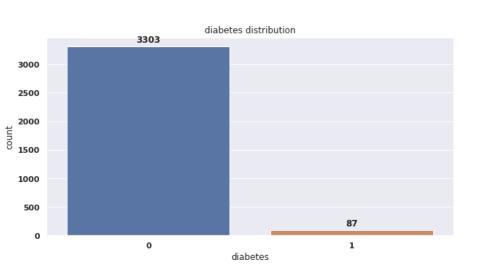


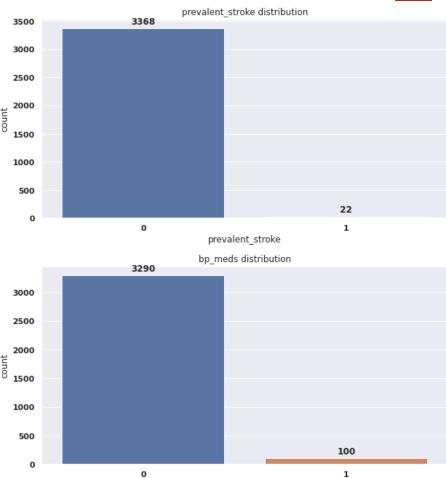






 There are relatively few individuals who have had a stroke, have diabetes, or are using blood pressure medicine.

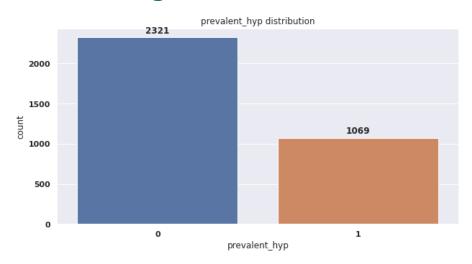


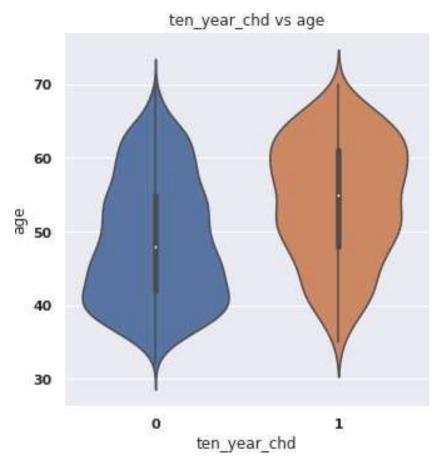


bp meds



- 1069 patients have hypertension
- The risk of CHD increases with age







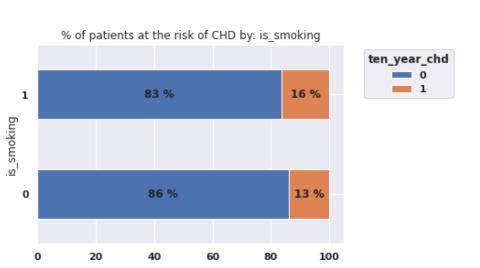
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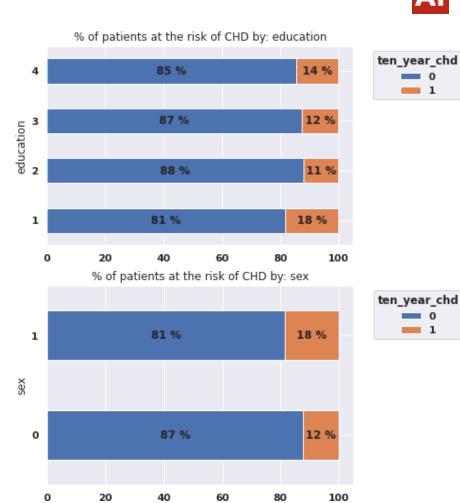
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### EDA (Contd.)

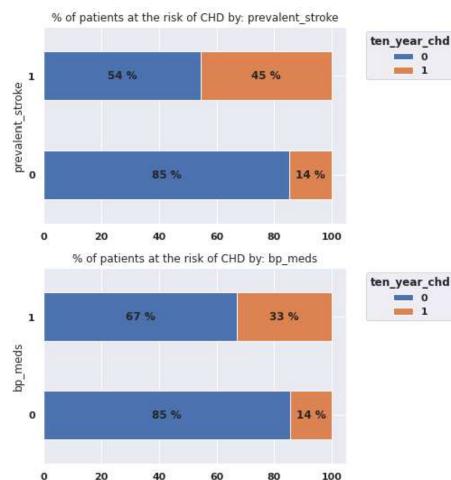
The risk of CHD varies educational level, gender, and whether or not the patient smokes.







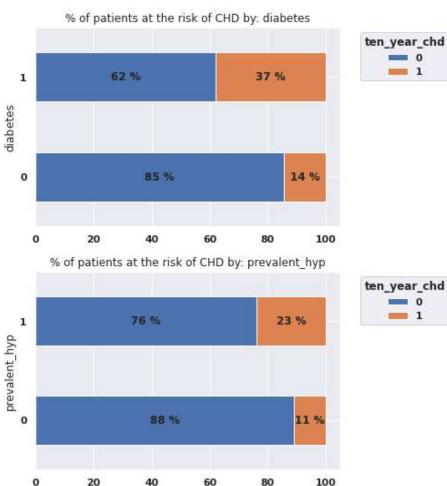
 Patients who have had a **stroke** or are presently on blood pressure medication are more likely to test positive for CHD.





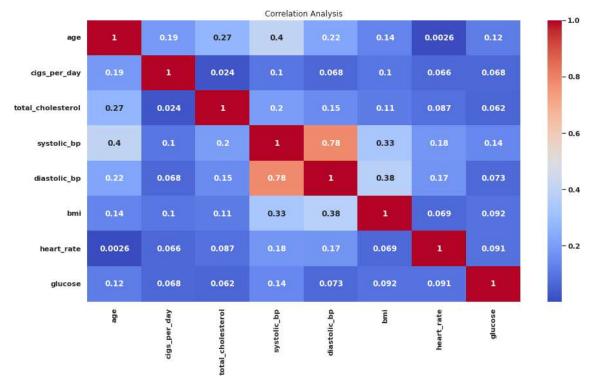


 Patients with hypertension or diabetes are more likely to be diagnosed with CHD.





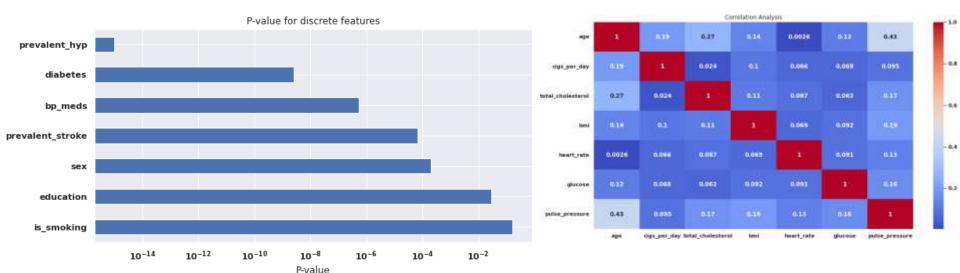
Systolic BP and diastolic BP are highly correlated





### **Feature Engineering**

- Pulse Pressure =Systolic BP Diastolic BP
- The **Chi2 test** on discrete features indicates that the **'is\_smoking'** column has the highest p-value and so is the **least relevant feature**. As a result, we **drop** it.





### **Handling Skew and Outliers**

- The skew in numeric variables is reduced by performing log transformation.
- The outliers beyond 3
  standard deviations from the
  mean were imputed with the
  median value

Attribute	Original skew	Skew After Transformation
Age	0.225796	-0.015053
Cigarettes Per Day	1.204077	0.275072
Total Cholesterol	0.948170	0.011860
BMI	1.025551	0.370422
Heart Rate	0.676660	0.165898
Glucose	6.361911	2.310918
Pulse Pressure	1.412382	0.354174



### **Summary so far...**

- We defined the problem statement
- Handled the missing values
- Created data visualizations
- Performed feature engineering and feature selection
- Transformed numeric variables to reduce skew.
- Handled outliers.



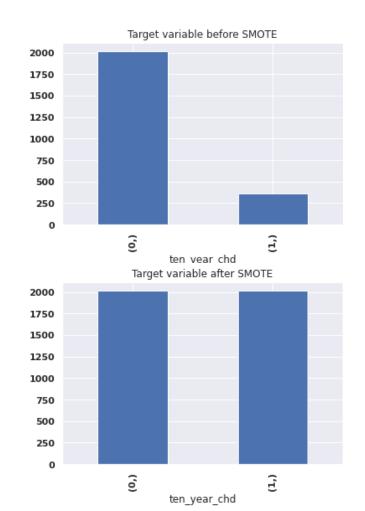


### **Modelling Approach**

- Data points in test data set = 30%
- Choice of split: Repeated stratified K fold, k = 4
- Evaluation metric: Recall

$$\mathbf{Recall} = \frac{True\ Positive}{False\ Negative + True\ Positive}$$

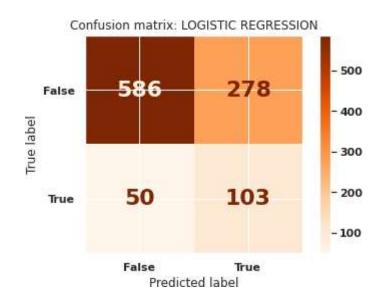
- Hyperparameter tuning: Grid search
- Oversampling strategy: SMOTE
- Data points before SMOTE = 2373
- Data points after SMOTE = 4030
- Scaler used: Standard Scaler





### **Logistic Regression**

- Train Recall = 0.6987
- Test Recall = 0.6732
- Test Accuracy = 68%

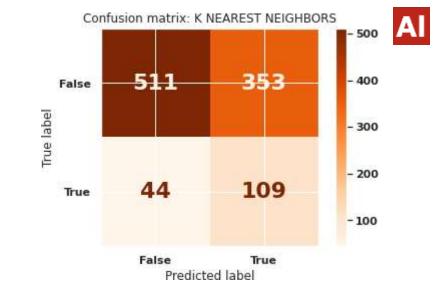


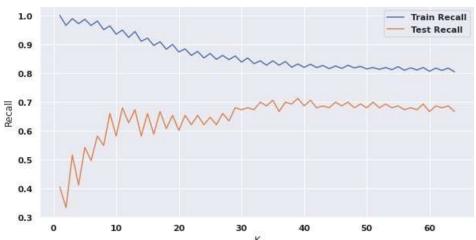
### **K-Nearest Neighbors**

#### **Parameters:**

• K = 39

- Train Recall = 0.8317
- Test Recall = 0.7124
- Test Accuracy = 61%





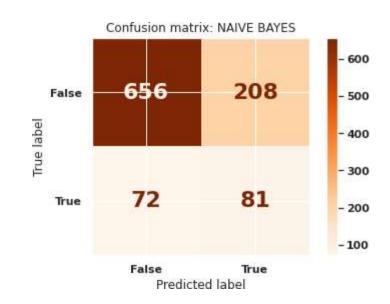


### **Naïve Bayes**

#### **Parameters:**

var\_smoothing=10

- Train Recall = 0.5811
- Test Recall = 0.5294
- Test Accuracy = 72%



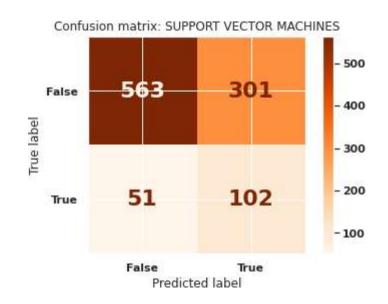


### **Support Vector Machines**

#### **Parameters:**

- C = 1
- Gamma = 0.01
- Kernel = rbf

- Train Recall = 0.7652
- Test Recall = 0.6666
- Test Accuracy = 65%

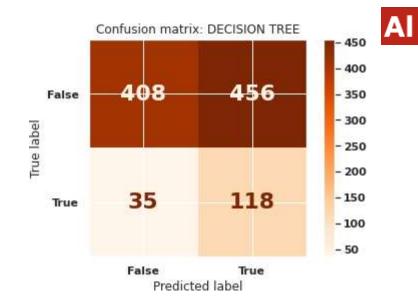


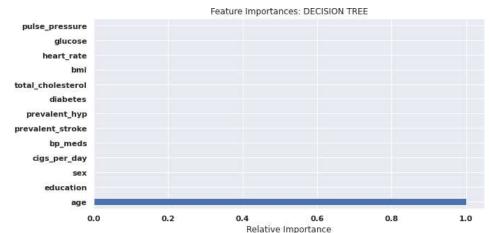


#### **Parameters:**

- max\_depth = 1
- min\_samples\_leaf = 0.1
- min\_samples\_split = 0.1

- Train Recall = 0.8595
- Test Recall = 0.7712
- Test Accuracy = 52%



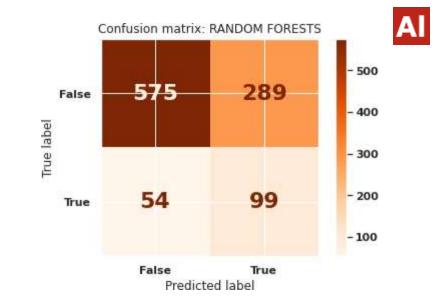


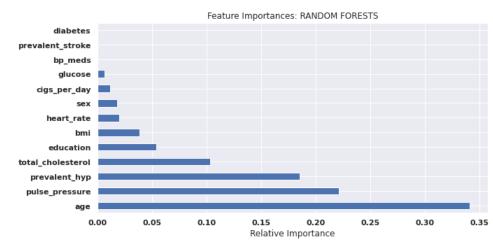
### **Random Forests**

#### **Parameters:**

- max\_depth = 2
- min\_samples\_leaf = 0.1
- min\_samples\_split = 0.1
- n\_estimators = 500

- Train Recall = 0.6997
- Test Recall = 0.647
- Test Accuracy = 66%



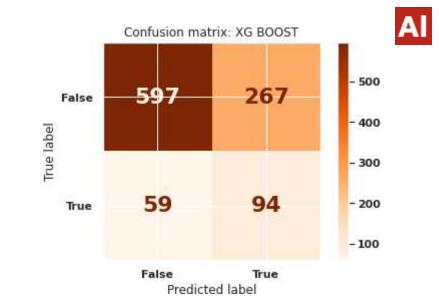


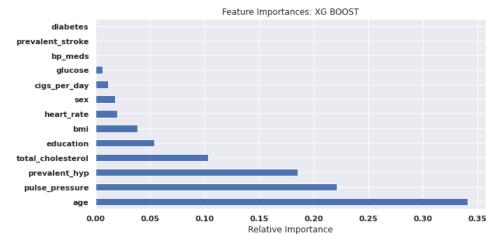
### **XG** Boost

#### **Parameters:**

- max\_depth = 1
- min\_samples\_leaf = 0.1
- min\_samples\_split = 0.1
- n\_estimators = 500

- Train Recall = 0.7945
- Test Recall = 0.6143
- Test Accuracy = 68%

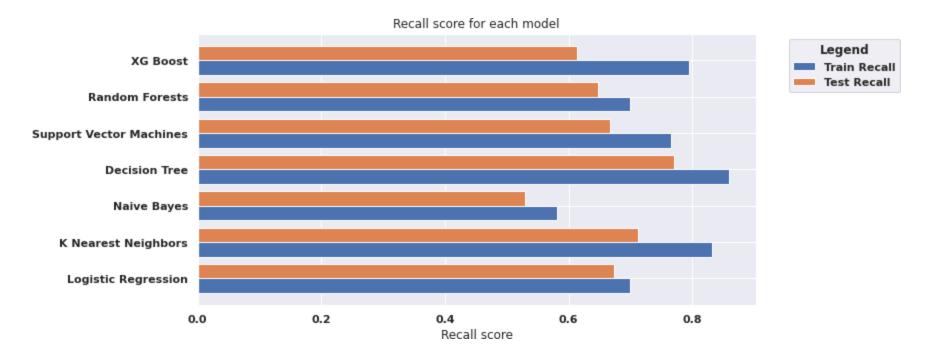






### **Model Comparison**

 The Decision Tree model has the highest test Recall compared to other models.





### **Challenges Faced**

- Comprehending the problem statement, and understanding the business implications – understanding the importance of predicting the risk of this disease
- Handling missing values in the dataset, and working with limited availability of data
- Feature engineering deciding on which features to be dropped / kept / transformed
- Choosing the best visualization to show the trends among different features clearly in the EDA phase
- Deciding on ways to handle skew and outliers
- Choosing the best hyperparameters, which prevents overfitting



### **Conclusion**

- We have successfully built predictive models that can predict a patients risk for CHD based on their demography, lifestyle, and medical history.
- The predictive models built were evaluated using Recall, and it was found that decision tree (0.77) has the highest test recall compared to other models.
- Efforts must be put into gathering more data, and also include people who have undergone different medical conditions.
- Future developments must include a strategy to improve the model recall score, enabling us to save even more lives from this disease.



# Thank You!