

Employee Retention

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1 Providing data-driven suggestions for HR

1.0.1 Understand the business scenario and problem

This project involves analyzing HR data to provide actionable insights to improve employee retention within an organization. By constructing predictive models, the aim is to identify factors associated with employee turnover. The deliverables include model evaluations, data visualizations, and ethical considerations, culminating in a concise project summary and a comprehensive code notebook. They have the following question: what's likely to make the employee leave the company?

The dataset that I'll be using in this contains 15,000 rows and 10 columns for the variables listed below.

Note: For more information about the data, refer to its source on [Kaggle](#).

Variable	Description
satisfaction_level	Employee-reported job satisfaction level [0–1]
last_evaluation	Score of employee's last performance review [0–1]
number_project	Number of projects employee contributes to
average_monthly_hours	Average number of hours employee worked per month
time_spend_company	How long the employee has been with the company (years)
Work_accident	Whether or not the employee experienced an accident while at work
left	Whether or not the employee left the company
promotion_last_5years	Whether or not the employee was promoted in the last 5 years
Department	The employee's department
salary	The employee's salary (U.S. dollars)

1.1 Imports

```
[6]: # Import packages

import warnings
warnings.simplefilter(action='ignore', category=FutureWarning)

# For data manipulation
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import scipy.stats as stats
```

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# For data visualization
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns

# For displaying all of the columns in dataframes
pd.set_option('display.max_columns', None)

# For data modeling
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier

# For metrics and helpful functions
from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV, train_test_split
from sklearn.metrics import make_scorer, accuracy_score, precision_score, \
    recall_score, \
    f1_score, confusion_matrix, ConfusionMatrixDisplay, classification_report, \
    roc_auc_score, roc_curve
from sklearn.tree import plot_tree

# For saving models
import pickle

```

2 Load dataset

```

[8]: # Load dataset into a dataframe

df0 = pd.read_csv("C:/Users/luke3/Documents/GitHub/
    ↪Predictive-Modeling-for-Employee-Retention/data/HR_comma_sep.csv")

# Display first few rows of the dataframe

df0.head(10)

```

```

[8]:      satisfaction_level  last_evaluation  number_project  average_monthly_hours  \
0                0.38                0.53                2                157
1                0.80                0.86                5                262
2                0.11                0.88                7                272
3                0.72                0.87                5                223
4                0.37                0.52                2                159
5                0.41                0.50                2                153
6                0.10                0.77                6                247
7                0.92                0.85                5                259
8                0.89                1.00                5                224
9                0.42                0.53                2                142

```

	time_spend_company	Work_accident	left	promotion_last_5years	Department	\
0	3	0	1	0	sales	
1	6	0	1	0	sales	
2	4	0	1	0	sales	
3	5	0	1	0	sales	
4	3	0	1	0	sales	
5	3	0	1	0	sales	
6	4	0	1	0	sales	
7	5	0	1	0	sales	
8	5	0	1	0	sales	
9	3	0	1	0	sales	

	salary
0	low
1	medium
2	medium
3	low
4	low
5	low
6	low
7	low
8	low
9	low

3 Data Exploration (Initial EDA and data cleaning)

3.1 Gather basic information about the data

```
[11]: # Gather basic information about the data
df0.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 14999 entries, 0 to 14998
Data columns (total 10 columns):
#   Column                Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   satisfaction_level      14999 non-null  float64
1   last_evaluation         14999 non-null  float64
2   number_project          14999 non-null  int64
3   average_monthly_hours  14999 non-null  int64
4   time_spend_company      14999 non-null  int64
5   Work_accident           14999 non-null  int64
6   left                    14999 non-null  int64
7   promotion_last_5years   14999 non-null  int64
8   Department              14999 non-null  object
9   salary                  14999 non-null  object
dtypes: float64(2), int64(6), object(2)
memory usage: 1.1+ MB
```

3.2 Gather descriptive statistics about the data

```
[13]: # Gather descriptive statistics about the data
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```
df0.describe()
```

```
[13]:
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	satisfaction_level	last_evaluation	number_project	\
count	14999.000000	14999.000000	14999.000000	
mean	0.612834	0.716102	3.803054	
std	0.248631	0.171169	1.232592	
min	0.090000	0.360000	2.000000	
25%	0.440000	0.560000	3.000000	
50%	0.640000	0.720000	4.000000	
75%	0.820000	0.870000	5.000000	
max	1.000000	1.000000	7.000000	

	average_monthly_hours	time_spend_company	Work_accident	left	\
count	14999.000000	14999.000000	14999.000000	14999.000000	
mean	201.050337	3.498233	0.144610	0.238083	
std	49.943099	1.460136	0.351719	0.425924	
min	96.000000	2.000000	0.000000	0.000000	
25%	156.000000	3.000000	0.000000	0.000000	
50%	200.000000	3.000000	0.000000	0.000000	
75%	245.000000	4.000000	0.000000	0.000000	
max	310.000000	10.000000	1.000000	1.000000	

	promotion_last_5years
count	14999.000000
mean	0.021268
std	0.144281
min	0.000000
25%	0.000000
50%	0.000000
75%	0.000000
max	1.000000

3.3 Rename columns

```
[15]: # Display all column names
```

```
df0.columns
```

```
[15]: Index(['satisfaction_level', 'last_evaluation', 'number_project',  
        'average_monthly_hours', 'time_spend_company', 'Work_accident', 'left',  
        'promotion_last_5years', 'Department', 'salary'],  
        dtype='object')
```

```
[16]: # Rename columns as needed

df0 = df0.rename(columns={'Work_accident': 'work_accident',
                          'average_monthly_hours': 'average_monthly_hours',
                          'time_spend_company': 'tenure',
                          'Department': 'department'})

# Display all column names after the update

df0.columns
```

```
[16]: Index(['satisfaction_level', 'last_evaluation', 'number_project',
          'average_monthly_hours', 'tenure', 'work_accident', 'left',
          'promotion_last_5years', 'department', 'salary'],
          dtype='object')
```

3.4 Check missing values

Check for any missing values in the data.

```
[18]: # Check for missing values

df0.isna().sum()
```

```
[18]: satisfaction_level      0
      last_evaluation        0
      number_project         0
      average_monthly_hours  0
      tenure                 0
      work_accident          0
      left                   0
      promotion_last_5years  0
      department             0
      salary                 0
      dtype: int64
```

3.5 Check duplicates

```
[20]: # Check for duplicates

df0.duplicated().sum()
```

```
[20]: 3008
```

```
[21]: # Inspect some rows containing duplicates as needed

df0[df0.duplicated()].head()
```

```
[21]:      satisfaction_level  last_evaluation  number_project  \
396                0.46                0.57                2
866                0.41                0.46                2
1317               0.37                0.51                2
1368               0.41                0.52                2
1461               0.42                0.53                2
```

```
      average_monthly_hours  tenure  work_accident  left  \
396                139          3              0      1
866                128          3              0      1
1317               127          3              0      1
1368               132          3              0      1
1461               142          3              0      1
```

```
      promotion_last_5years  department  salary
396                0      sales      low
866                0  accounting      low
1317               0      sales  medium
1368               0      RandD      low
1461               0      sales      low
```

```
[22]: # Drop duplicates and save resulting dataframe in a new variable as needed
```

```
df1 = df0.drop_duplicates(keep='first')
```

```
# Display first few rows of new dataframe as needed
```

```
df1.head()
```

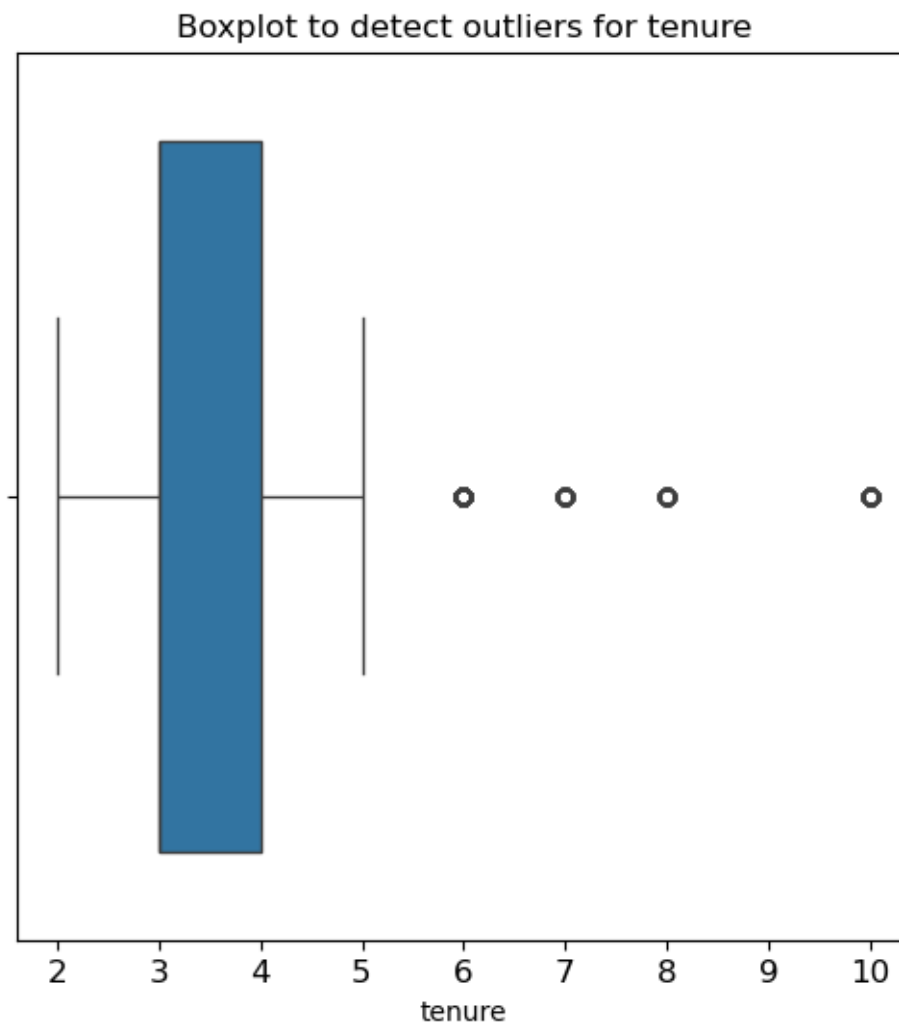
```
[22]:      satisfaction_level  last_evaluation  number_project  average_monthly_hours  \
0                0.38                0.53                2                157
1                0.80                0.86                5                262
2                0.11                0.88                7                272
3                0.72                0.87                5                223
4                0.37                0.52                2                159
```

```
      tenure  work_accident  left  promotion_last_5years  department  salary
0          3              0      1                0      sales      low
1          6              0      1                0      sales  medium
2          4              0      1                0      sales  medium
3          5              0      1                0      sales      low
4          3              0      1                0      sales      low
```

3.6 Check for outliers

```
[24]: # Create a boxplot to visualize distribution of `tenure` and detect any outliers

plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
plt.title('Boxplot to detect outliers for tenure', fontsize=12)
plt.xticks(fontsize=12)
plt.yticks(fontsize=12)
sns.boxplot(x=df1['tenure'])
plt.show()
```



```
[25]: # Determine the number of rows containing outliers

percentile25=df1['tenure'].quantile(.25)
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percentile75=df1['tenure'].quantile(.75)

iqr = percentile75 - percentile25

lower_limit = percentile25 - 1.5 * iqr
upper_limit = percentile75 + 1.5 * iqr

print('Lower Limit:', lower_limit)
print('Upper Limit:', upper_limit)

outliers = df1[(df1['tenure'] > upper_limit) | (df1['tenure'] < lower_limit)]

print('Number of rows in the data containing outliers in "tenure":',
      len(outliers))

```

Lower Limit: 1.5

Upper Limit: 5.5

Number of rows in the data containing outliers in "tenure": 824

4 Continue EDA (analyze relationships between variables)

```

[27]: # Get numbers of people who left vs. stayed

print(df1['left'].value_counts())
# Get percentages of people who left vs. stayed

print(df1['left'].value_counts(normalize=True))

```

```

left
0    10000
1     1991
Name: count, dtype: int64

left
0    0.833959
1    0.166041
Name: proportion, dtype: float64

```

5 Data visualizations

5.1 Monthly hours X Number of projects boxplot AND Number of Projects histogram

```

[30]: # Set figure and axes
fig, ax = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize = (22,8))

# Create boxplot showing `average_monthly_hours` distributions for
# `number_project`, comparing employees who stayed versus those who left

```



```

sns.boxplot(data=df1, x='average_monthly_hours', y='number_project',
            hue='left', orient="h", ax=ax[0])
ax[0].invert_yaxis()
ax[0].set_title('Monthly hours by number of projects', fontsize='14')
# Get the current handles and labels
handles, labels = ax[0].get_legend_handles_labels()

# Define new labels
new_labels = ['Stayed', 'Left']

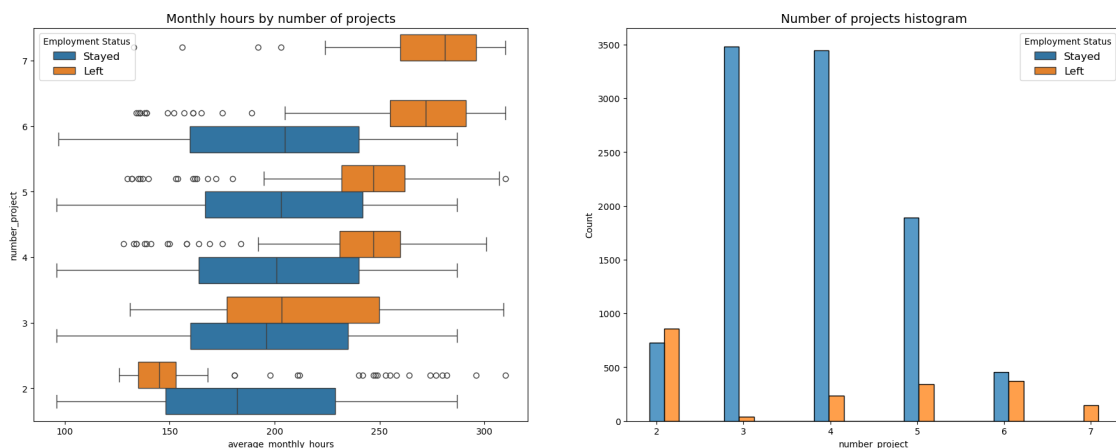
# Update the legend
ax[0].legend(handles, new_labels, title="Employment Status", fontsize='12')

# Create histogram showing distribution of `number_project`, comparing
# employees who stayed versus those who left
tenure_stay = df1[df1['left']==0]['number_project']
tenure_left = df1[df1['left']==1]['number_project']
sns.histplot(data=df1, x='number_project', hue='left', multiple='dodge',
            shrink=2, ax=ax[1])
ax[1].set_title('Number of projects histogram', fontsize='14')

# Update the legend
ax[1].legend(handles, new_labels, title="Employment Status", fontsize='12')

# Display the plots
plt.show()

```



5.2 Satisfaction X Project boxplot AND Satisfaction Histogram

```
[32]: # Set figure and axes
fig, ax = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize = (22,8))

# Create boxplot showing `satisfaction_level` distributions for
# `number_project`, comparing employees who stayed versus those who left
sns.boxplot(data=df1, x='satisfaction_level', y='number_project', hue='left',
            orient="h", ax=ax[0])
ax[0].invert_yaxis()
ax[0].set_title('Satisfaction level by number of projects', fontsize='14')

# Get the current handles and labels
handles, labels = ax[0].get_legend_handles_labels()

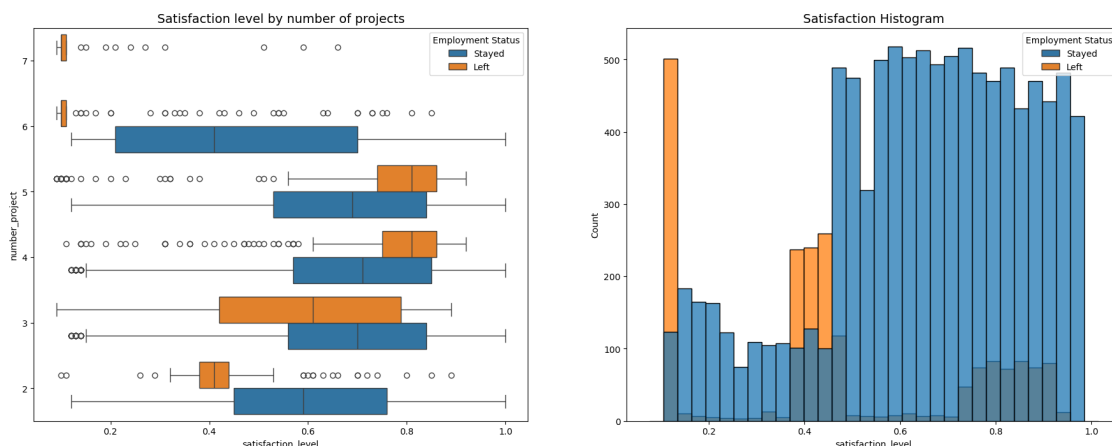
# Define new labels
new_labels = ['Stayed', 'Left']

# Update the legend
ax[0].legend(handles, new_labels, title="Employment Status")

# Create histogram showing distribution of `number_project`, comparing
# employees who stayed versus those who left
sns.histplot(data=df1, x='satisfaction_level', hue='left', multiple='dodge',
            shrink=2, ax=ax[1])
ax[1].set_title('Satisfaction Histogram', fontsize='14')

# Update the legend
ax[1].legend(handles, new_labels, title="Employment Status")

# Display the plots
plt.show();
```



```
[33]: # Investigating projects vs employee staying/leaving

print(df1[df1['number_project']==6]['left'].value_counts())
print(df1[df1['number_project']==7]['left'].value_counts())
```

```
left
0    455
1    371
Name: count, dtype: int64
left
1    145
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

5.2.1 All employees with 7 projects left the company, while almost 50% of the employees with 6 left as well.

5.2.2 Creating a visual to show if ‘work_accident’ has an impact on retention

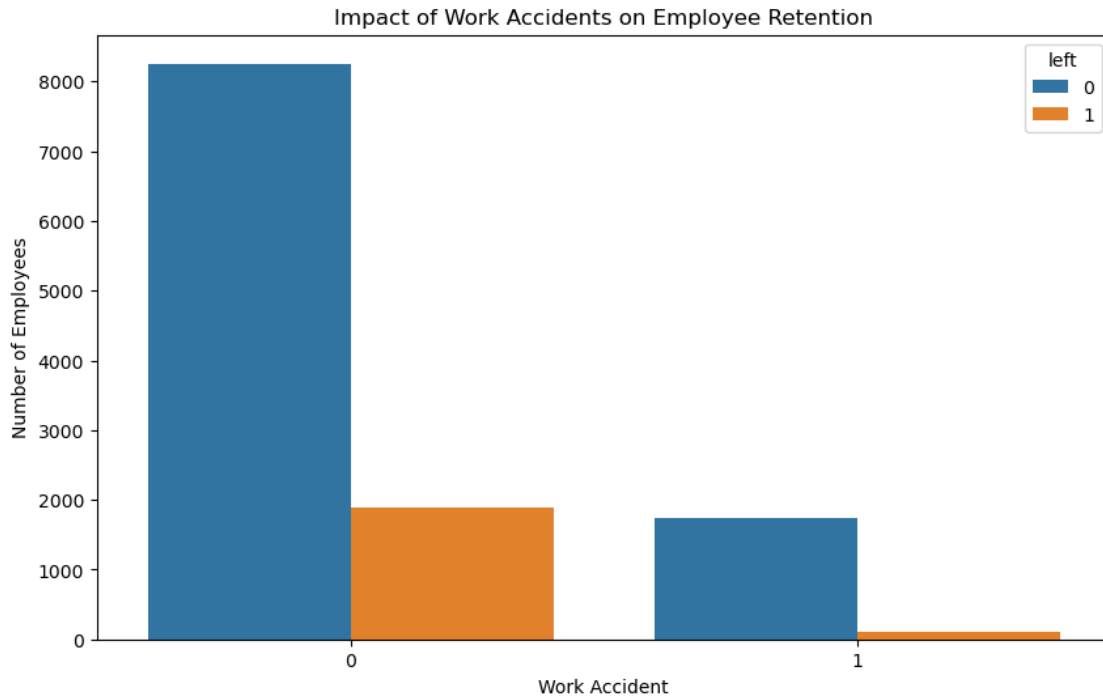
```
[36]: # Group the data by 'work_accident' and 'left', and calculate the count
counts = df1.groupby(['work_accident', 'left']).size().reset_index(name='count')

# Convert categorical columns to strings for plotting
counts['work_accident'] = counts['work_accident'].astype(str)
counts['left'] = counts['left'].astype(str)

# Plotting with Seaborn
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
ax = sns.barplot(data=counts, x='work_accident', y='count', hue='left')

# Adding labels and title
plt.title('Impact of Work Accidents on Employee Retention')
plt.xlabel('Work Accident')
plt.ylabel('Number of Employees')

# Show plot
plt.show()
```



5.2.3 Work Accidents don't really seem to have much of an impact on employee retention, potentially even making people more likely to stay?

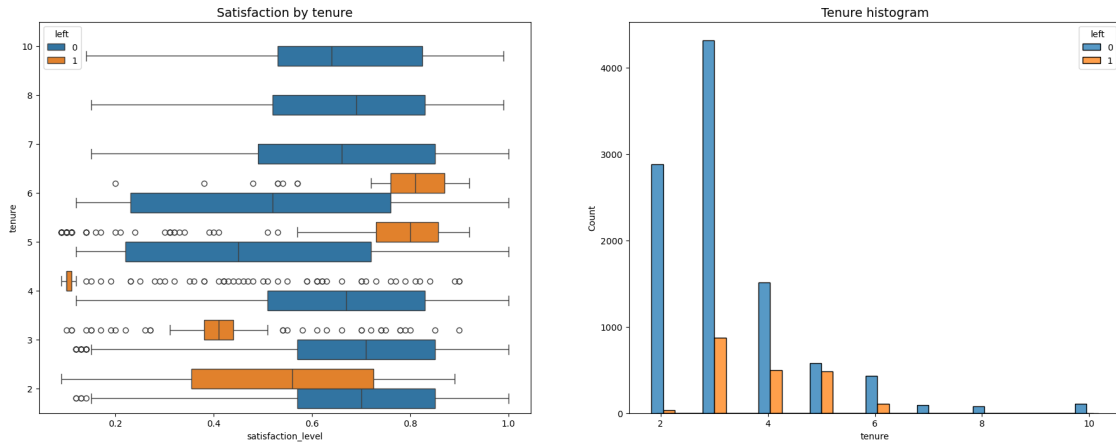
5.3 Satisfaction X Tenure boxplot AND Tenure Histogram

```
[39]: # Set figure and axes
fig, ax = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize = (22,8))

# Create boxplot showing distributions of `satisfaction_level` by tenure,
# comparing employees who stayed versus those who left
sns.boxplot(data=df1, x='satisfaction_level', y='tenure', hue='left',
            orient="h", ax=ax[0])
ax[0].invert_yaxis()
ax[0].set_title('Satisfaction by tenure', fontsize='14')

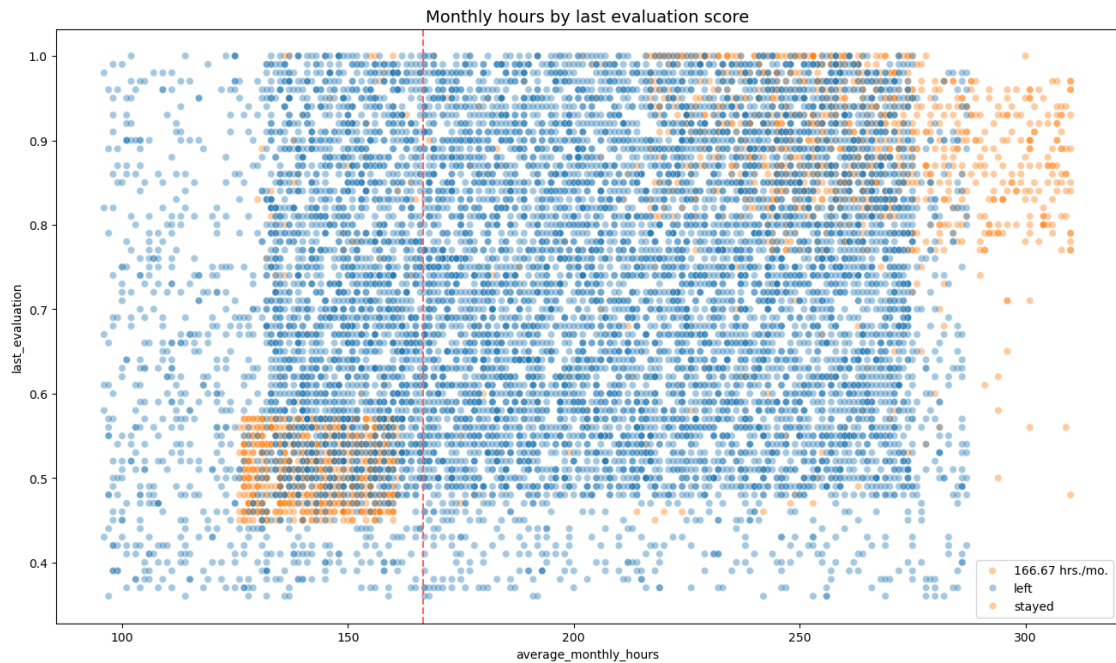
# Create histogram showing distribution of `tenure`, comparing employees who
# stayed versus those who left
tenure_stay = df1[df1['left']==0]['tenure']
tenure_left = df1[df1['left']==1]['tenure']
sns.histplot(data=df1, x='tenure', hue='left', multiple='dodge', shrink=5,
            ax=ax[1])
ax[1].set_title('Tenure histogram', fontsize='14')

plt.show();
```



5.4 Scatterplot showing relationship between average monthly hours and last evaluation score

```
[41]: # Create scatterplot of `average_monthly_hours` versus `last_evaluation`
plt.figure(figsize=(16, 9))
sns.scatterplot(data=df1, x='average_monthly_hours', y='last_evaluation',
               hue='left', alpha=0.4)
plt.axvline(x=166.67, color='#ff6361', label='166.67 hrs./mo.', ls='--')
plt.legend(labels=['166.67 hrs./mo.', 'left', 'stayed'])
plt.title('Monthly hours by last evaluation score', fontsize='14');
```



5.5 Correlation Heatmap

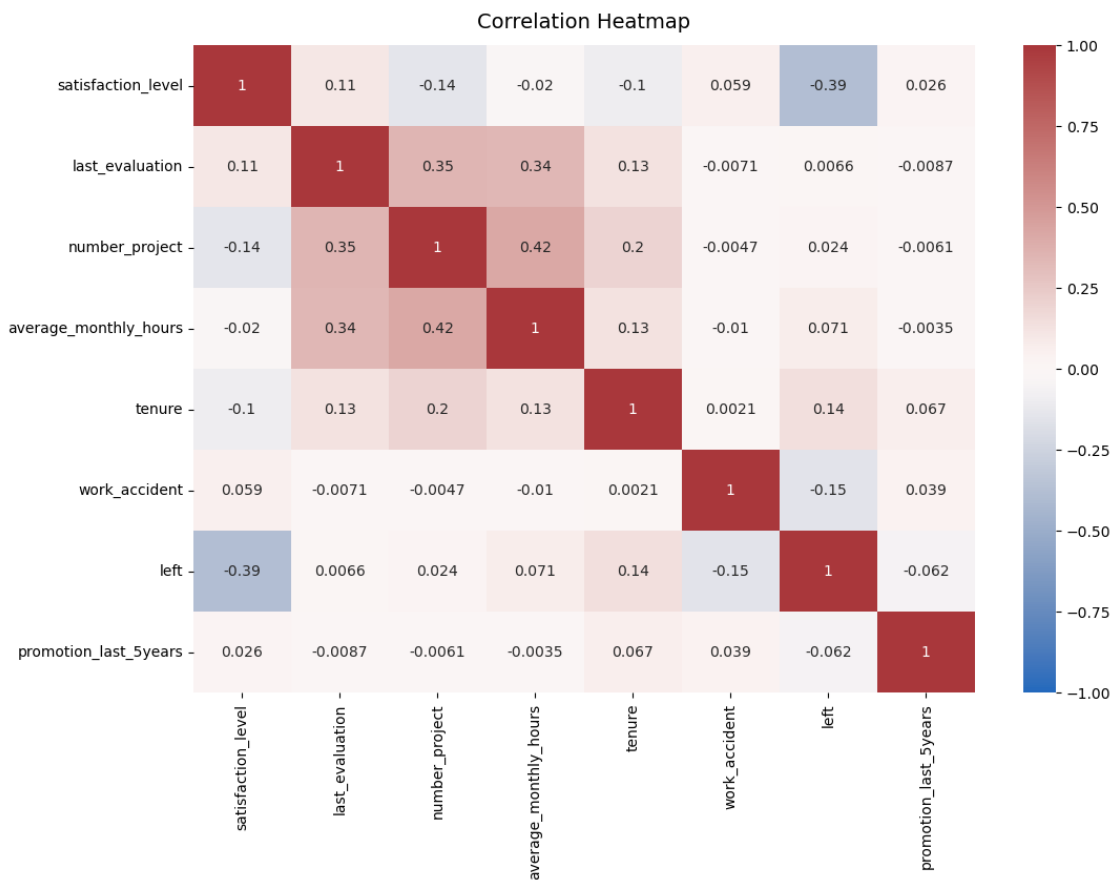
```
[43]: # Filter the DataFrame to include only numeric columns
numeric_df = df0.select_dtypes(include=['float64', 'int64'])

# Ensure there are no missing values that could disrupt the correlation matrix
numeric_df = numeric_df.dropna()

# Clear any previous plots
plt.clf()
plt.close('all')

# Plot a correlation heatmap
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 8)) # Adjust the figure size as needed
heatmap = sns.heatmap(numeric_df.corr(), vmin=-1, vmax=1, annot=True, cmap=sns.
    color_palette("vlag", as_cmap=True))
heatmap.set_title('Correlation Heatmap', fontdict={'fontsize':14}, pad=12)

# Show plot
plt.show()
```



6 Insights

A lot of the employees that left the company were on the high end of being overworked, while another good portion of them were slightly underworked but received lower than expected evaluation scores.

No employee that has been at the company more than 6 years has left.

Work accidents don't seem to have any real impact on whether an employee stays or leaves.

Employees satisfaction levels drop significantly once they have more than 6 projects to work on.

6.1 Model Building

6.1.1 Identify the type of prediction task.

The prediction requested is a binomial outcome, left or stayed. The outcome will be categorical.

Since it is a categorical outcome, a Log Regression model or Tree-based model will be the best approach.

6.2 Modeling Approach: Tree-based Model

6.2.1 Converting categories and getting dummies

```
[46]: df = df1.copy()

df['salary'] = (
    df['salary'].astype('category')
    .cat.set_categories(['low', 'medium', 'high'])
    .cat.codes
)

df = pd.get_dummies(df, drop_first=False)

df.head(5)
```

```
[46]:
```

	satisfaction_level	last_evaluation	number_project	average_monthly_hours	\
0	0.38	0.53	2	157	
1	0.80	0.86	5	262	
2	0.11	0.88	7	272	
3	0.72	0.87	5	223	
4	0.37	0.52	2	159	

	tenure	work_accident	left	promotion_last_5years	salary	department_IT	\
0	3	0	1	0	0	False	
1	6	0	1	0	1	False	
2	4	0	1	0	1	False	
3	5	0	1	0	0	False	
4	3	0	1	0	0	False	

	department_RandD	department_accounting	department_hr	\
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0	False	False	False
1	False	False	False
2	False	False	False
3	False	False	False
4	False	False	False

	department_management	department_marketing	department_product_mng \
0	False	False	False
1	False	False	False
2	False	False	False
3	False	False	False
4	False	False	False

	department_sales	department_support	department_technical
0	True	False	False
1	True	False	False
2	True	False	False
3	True	False	False
4	True	False	False

```
[47]: #isolate outcome variable
y = df['left']

y.head()
```

```
[47]: 0    1
      1    1
      2    1
      3    1
      4    1
      Name: left, dtype: int64
```

```
[48]: # Select the features

X = df.drop('left', axis=1)

X.head()
```

```
[48]: satisfaction_level  last_evaluation  number_project  average_monthly_hours \
0                0.38           0.53             2                157
1                0.80           0.86             5                262
2                0.11           0.88             7                272
3                0.72           0.87             5                223
4                0.37           0.52             2                159

      tenure  work_accident  promotion_last_5years  salary  department_IT \
0          3              0                    0        0             False
```


1	6	0	0	1	False
2	4	0	0	1	False
3	5	0	0	0	False
4	3	0	0	0	False

	department_RandD	department_accounting	department_hr \
0	False	False	False
1	False	False	False
2	False	False	False
3	False	False	False
4	False	False	False

	department_management	department_marketing	department_product_mng \
0	False	False	False
1	False	False	False
2	False	False	False
3	False	False	False
4	False	False	False

	department_sales	department_support	department_technical
0	True	False	False
1	True	False	False
2	True	False	False
3	True	False	False
4	True	False	False

```
[49]: # Split the data into train / test / split

X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size = 0.25,
↳stratify = y, random_state = 0)
```

6.3 Decision Tree 1

```
[51]: # Instantiate the model
tree = DecisionTreeClassifier(random_state=0)

# Create hyperparamaters
cv_params = {'max_depth': [4, 6, 8, None],
             'min_samples_leaf': [2, 5, 1],
             'min_samples_split': [2, 4, 6]
            }

# Assign dictionary of scoring metrics
scoring = {
    'accuracy': make_scorer(accuracy_score),
    'precision': make_scorer(precision_score),
    'recall': make_scorer(recall_score),
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        'f1': make_scorer(f1_score),
        'roc_auc': make_scorer(roc_auc_score)
    }

    # Instantiate GridSearch
    tree1 = GridSearchCV(tree, cv_params, scoring=scoring, cv=4, refit='roc_auc')

```

```

[52]: %%time
      tree1.fit(X_train, y_train)

```

```

CPU times: total: 2.05 s
Wall time: 2.08 s

```

```

[52]: GridSearchCV(cv=4, estimator=DecisionTreeClassifier(random_state=0),
                  param_grid={'max_depth': [4, 6, 8, None],
                              'min_samples_leaf': [2, 5, 1],
                              'min_samples_split': [2, 4, 6]},
                  refit='roc_auc',
                  scoring={'accuracy': make_scorer(accuracy_score,
                                                    response_method='predict'),
                           'f1': make_scorer(f1_score, response_method='predict'),
                           'precision': make_scorer(precision_score,
                                                    response_method='predict'),
                           'recall': make_scorer(recall_score,
                                                  response_method='predict'),
                           'roc_auc': make_scorer(roc_auc_score,
                                                  response_method='predict')}})

```

```

[53]: # Check best parameters

      tree1.best_params_

```

```

[53]: {'max_depth': 8, 'min_samples_leaf': 2, 'min_samples_split': 6}

```

```

[54]: # Check best AUC on CV

      tree1.best_score_

```

```

[54]: 0.9548070613085594

```

```

[55]: def make_results(model_name:str, model_object, metric:str):
      # Create dictionary that maps input metric to actual metric name in
      ↪GridSearchCV
      metric_dict = {'auc': 'mean_test_roc_auc',
                     'precision': 'mean_test_precision',
                     'recall': 'mean_test_recall',
                     'f1': 'mean_test_f1',
                     'accuracy': 'mean_test_accuracy'}

```

```

    }

    # Get all the results from the CV and put them in a df
    cv_results = pd.DataFrame(model_object.cv_results_)

    # Isolate the row of the df with the max(metric) score
    best_estimator_results = cv_results.iloc[cv_results[metric_dict[metric]].
idxmax(), :]

    # Extract Accuracy, precision, recall, and f1 score from that row
    auc = best_estimator_results.mean_test_roc_auc
    f1 = best_estimator_results.mean_test_f1
    recall = best_estimator_results.mean_test_recall
    precision = best_estimator_results.mean_test_precision
    accuracy = best_estimator_results.mean_test_accuracy

    # Create table of results
    table = pd.DataFrame()
    table = pd.DataFrame({'model': [model_name],
                           'precision': [precision],
                           'recall': [recall],
                           'F1': [f1],
                           'accuracy': [accuracy],
                           'auc': [auc]
                           })

    return table

```

```

[56]: # Get cv scores
tree1_cv_results = make_results('decision tree cv', tree1, 'auc')
tree1_cv_results

```

```

[56]:
      model  precision  recall    F1  accuracy    auc
0  decision tree cv   0.971662  0.914947  0.94238   0.98143  0.954807

```

6.4 Random Forest 1

```

[58]: # Instantiate the model
rf = RandomForestClassifier(random_state=0)

# Create hyperparamaters
cv_params = {'max_depth': [3,5, None],
             'max_features': [1.0],
             'max_samples': [0.7, 1.0],
             'min_samples_leaf': [1,2,3],
             'min_samples_split': [2,3,4],
             'n_estimators': [300, 500]

```

```

    }

    # Assign dictionary of scoring metrics
    scoring = {
        'accuracy': make_scorer(accuracy_score),
        'precision': make_scorer(precision_score),
        'recall': make_scorer(recall_score),
        'f1': make_scorer(f1_score),
        'roc_auc': make_scorer(roc_auc_score)
    }

    # Instantiate GridSearch
    rf1 = GridSearchCV(rf, cv_params, scoring=scoring, cv=4, refit='roc_auc')

```

```

[59]: %%time
      rf1.fit(X_train, y_train)

```

CPU times: total: 13min 22s

Wall time: 13min 26s

```

[59]: GridSearchCV(cv=4, estimator=RandomForestClassifier(random_state=0),
                  param_grid={'max_depth': [3, 5, None], 'max_features': [1.0],
                              'max_samples': [0.7, 1.0],
                              'min_samples_leaf': [1, 2, 3],
                              'min_samples_split': [2, 3, 4],
                              'n_estimators': [300, 500]},
                  refit='roc_auc',
                  scoring={'accuracy': make_scorer(accuracy_score,
response_method='predict'),
                          'f1': make_scorer(f1_score, response_method='predict'),
                          'precision': make_scorer(precision_score,
response_method='predict'),
                          'recall': make_scorer(recall_score,
response_method='predict'),
                          'roc_auc': make_scorer(roc_auc_score,
response_method='predict')}})

```

```

[60]: # Save and pickle the model

      path = 'models'

```

```

[61]: def write_pickle(path, model_object, save_as:str):
      with open(path + save_as + '.pickle', 'wb') as to_write:
          pickle.dump(model_object, to_write)

      def read_pickle(path, saved_model_name:str):
          with open(path + saved_model_name + '.pickle', 'rb') as to_read:
              model = pickle.load(to_read)

```

```
return model
```

```
[62]: # Write pickle
write_pickle(path, rf1, 'hr_rf1')

# Read pickle
read_pickle(path, 'hr_rf1')
```

```
[62]: GridSearchCV(cv=4, estimator=RandomForestClassifier(random_state=0),
                  param_grid={'max_depth': [3, 5, None], 'max_features': [1.0],
                              'max_samples': [0.7, 1.0],
                              'min_samples_leaf': [1, 2, 3],
                              'min_samples_split': [2, 3, 4],
                              'n_estimators': [300, 500]},
                  refit='roc_auc',
                  scoring={'accuracy': make_scorer(accuracy_score,
response_method='predict'),
                          'f1': make_scorer(f1_score, response_method='predict'),
                          'precision': make_scorer(precision_score,
response_method='predict'),
                          'recall': make_scorer(recall_score,
response_method='predict'),
                          'roc_auc': make_scorer(roc_auc_score,
response_method='predict')}})
```

```
[63]: # Check best AUC score
rf1.best_score_
```

```
[63]: 0.9560746240197273
```

```
[64]: # Check best params
rf1.best_params_
```

```
[64]: {'max_depth': None,
      'max_features': 1.0,
      'max_samples': 0.7,
      'min_samples_leaf': 1,
      'min_samples_split': 2,
      'n_estimators': 500}
```

6.5 Compare DT1 and RF1 CV scores

```
[66]: # Get all cv scores
rf1_cv_results = make_results('random forest cv', rf1, 'auc')
print(tree1_cv_results)
print(rf1_cv_results)
```

model	precision	recall	F1	accuracy	auc
-------	-----------	--------	----	----------	-----

		0	0.971662	0.914947	0.94238	0.98143	0.954807
	model	precision	recall	F1	accuracy	auc	
0	random forest cv	0.984833	0.914949	0.948572	0.983543	0.956075	

```
[67]: def get_scores(model_name:str, model, X_test_data, y_test_data):
```

```

    preds = model.best_estimator_.predict(X_test_data)

    auc = roc_auc_score(y_test_data, preds)
    accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test_data, preds)
    precision = precision_score(y_test_data, preds)
    recall = recall_score(y_test_data, preds)
    f1 = f1_score(y_test_data, preds)

    table = pd.DataFrame({'model': [model_name],
                          'precision': [precision],
                          'recall': [recall],
                          'f1': [f1],
                          'accuracy': [accuracy],
                          'AUC': [auc]
                          })

    return table

```

6.6 Random Forest 1 Test Scores

```
[69]: # Get predictions on test data
```

```

rf1_test_scores = get_scores('random forest1 test', rf1, X_test, y_test)
rf1_test_scores

```

```
[69]:
```

	model	precision	recall	f1	accuracy	AUC
0	random forest1 test	0.991361	0.921687	0.955255	0.985657	0.960043

7 Feature Engineering

```
[71]: ## Drop satisfaction level, could possibly be misleading as employees planning
      ↪ on leaving will work fewer hours
```

```

df_edit = df.drop('satisfaction_level', axis=1)

df_edit.head(5)

```

```
[71]:
```

	last_evaluation	number_project	average_monthly_hours	tenure	\
0	0.53	2	157	3	
1	0.86	5	262	6	
2	0.88	7	272	4	
3	0.87	5	223	5	

4	0.52	2	159	3
---	------	---	-----	---

	work_accident	left	promotion_last_5years	salary	department_IT \
0	0	1	0	0	False
1	0	1	0	1	False
2	0	1	0	1	False
3	0	1	0	0	False
4	0	1	0	0	False

	department_RandD	department_accounting	department_hr \
0	False	False	False
1	False	False	False
2	False	False	False
3	False	False	False
4	False	False	False

	department_management	department_marketing	department_product_mng \
0	False	False	False
1	False	False	False
2	False	False	False
3	False	False	False
4	False	False	False

	department_sales	department_support	department_technical
0	True	False	False
1	True	False	False
2	True	False	False
3	True	False	False
4	True	False	False

```
[72]: # Rework overworked feature
```

```
df_edit['overworked'] = df_edit['average_monthly_hours']

print('Max hours:', df_edit['overworked'].max())
print('Min hours:', df_edit['overworked'].min())
```

Max hours: 310

Min hours: 96

```
[73]: df_edit['overworked'] = (df_edit['overworked'] > 175).astype(int)
```

```
df_edit['overworked'].head()
```

```
[73]: 0    0
      1    1
      2    1
      3    1
```

```
4    0
Name: overworked, dtype: int32
```

```
[74]: df_edit = df_edit.drop('average_monthly_hours', axis=1)
df_edit.head()
```

```
[74]:  last_evaluation  number_project  tenure  work_accident  left  \
0           0.53             2         3             0      1
1           0.86             5         6             0      1
2           0.88             7         4             0      1
3           0.87             5         5             0      1
4           0.52             2         3             0      1

    promotion_last_5years  salary  department_IT  department_RandD  \
0              0          0          False          False
1              0          1          False          False
2              0          1          False          False
3              0          0          False          False
4              0          0          False          False

    department_accounting  department_hr  department_management  \
0              False          False          False
1              False          False          False
2              False          False          False
3              False          False          False
4              False          False          False

    department_marketing  department_product_mng  department_sales  \
0              False          False          True
1              False          False          True
2              False          False          True
3              False          False          True
4              False          False          True

    department_support  department_technical  overworked
0              False          False          0
1              False          False          1
2              False          False          1
3              False          False          1
4              False          False          0
```


7.1 Re split, train, test with random forest and decision tree on the modified data frame with the changed 'overworked' variable

```
[76]: y = df_edit['left']

X = df_edit.drop('left', axis=1)

[77]: # Create test data
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=.25,
↳stratify=y, random_state=0)

[78]: # Instantiate model
tree = DecisionTreeClassifier(random_state=0)

cv_params = {'max_depth': [4, 6, 8, None],
             'min_samples_leaf': [2, 5, 1],
             'min_samples_split': [2, 4, 6]
            }

# Assign scoring dictionary
scoring = {
    'accuracy': make_scorer(accuracy_score),
    'precision': make_scorer(precision_score),
    'recall': make_scorer(recall_score),
    'f1': make_scorer(f1_score),
    'roc_auc': make_scorer(roc_auc_score)
}

tree2 = GridSearchCV(tree, cv_params, scoring=scoring, cv=4, refit='roc_auc')

[79]: %%time
tree2.fit(X_train, y_train)

CPU times: total: 1.81 s
Wall time: 1.83 s

[79]: GridSearchCV(cv=4, estimator=DecisionTreeClassifier(random_state=0),
                  param_grid={'max_depth': [4, 6, 8, None],
                              'min_samples_leaf': [2, 5, 1],
                              'min_samples_split': [2, 4, 6]},
                  refit='roc_auc',
                  scoring={'accuracy': make_scorer(accuracy_score,
response_method='predict'),
                          'f1': make_scorer(f1_score, response_method='predict'),
                          'precision': make_scorer(precision_score,
response_method='predict'),
                          'recall': make_scorer(recall_score,
response_method='predict')},
```

```
        'roc_auc': make_scorer(roc_auc_score,
response_method='predict'))})
```

```
[80]: # Check best params and AUC score
print(tree2.best_params_)
print(tree2.best_score_)
```

```
{'max_depth': 6, 'min_samples_leaf': 2, 'min_samples_split': 6}
0.9365100103702217
```

7.2 Compare Decision Trees

```
[82]: tree2_cv_results = make_results('decision tree2 cv', tree2, 'auc')
print(tree1_cv_results)
print(tree2_cv_results)
```

	model	precision	recall	F1	accuracy	auc
0	decision tree cv	0.971662	0.914947	0.94238	0.98143	0.954807
	model	precision	recall	F1	accuracy	auc
0	decision tree2 cv	0.856693	0.903553	0.878882	0.958523	0.93651

7.3 Random Forest 2

```
[84]: # Instantiate model
rf = RandomForestClassifier(random_state=0)

# Assign a dictionary of hyperparameters to search over
cv_params = {'max_depth': [3,5, None],
             'max_features': [1.0],
             'max_samples': [0.7, 1.0],
             'min_samples_leaf': [1,2,3],
             'min_samples_split': [2,3,4],
             'n_estimators': [300, 500],
             }

# Assign a dictionary of scoring metrics to capture
scoring = {
    'accuracy': make_scorer(accuracy_score),
    'precision': make_scorer(precision_score),
    'recall': make_scorer(recall_score),
    'f1': make_scorer(f1_score),
    'roc_auc': make_scorer(roc_auc_score)
}

# Instantiate GridSearch
rf2 = GridSearchCV(rf, cv_params, scoring=scoring, cv=4, refit='roc_auc')
```

```
[88]: %%time
      rf2.fit(X_train, y_train)
```

CPU times: total: 9min 29s

Wall time: 9min 32s

```
[88]: GridSearchCV(cv=4, estimator=RandomForestClassifier(random_state=0),
                  param_grid={'max_depth': [3, 5, None], 'max_features': [1.0],
                              'max_samples': [0.7, 1.0],
                              'min_samples_leaf': [1, 2, 3],
                              'min_samples_split': [2, 3, 4],
                              'n_estimators': [300, 500]},
                  refit='roc_auc',
                  scoring={'accuracy': make_scorer(accuracy_score,
response_method='predict'),
                          'f1': make_scorer(f1_score, response_method='predict'),
                          'precision': make_scorer(precision_score,
response_method='predict'),
                          'recall': make_scorer(recall_score,
response_method='predict'),
                          'roc_auc': make_scorer(roc_auc_score,
response_method='predict')}})
```

```
[89]: # Write pickle
      write_pickle(path, rf2, 'hr_rf2')

      # Read in pickle
      rf2 = read_pickle(path, 'hr_rf2')
```

```
[90]: # Check best params
      rf2.best_params_
```

```
[90]: {'max_depth': None,
      'max_features': 1.0,
      'max_samples': 0.7,
      'min_samples_leaf': 3,
      'min_samples_split': 2,
      'n_estimators': 300}
```

```
[91]: # Check best AUC score on CV
      rf2.best_score_
```

```
[91]: 0.9350040324392004
```

```
[92]: # Get all CV scores
      rf2_cv_results = make_results('random forest2 cv', rf2, 'auc')
      print(tree2_cv_results)
      print(rf2_cv_results)
```

	model	precision	recall	F1	accuracy	auc
0	decision tree2 cv	0.856693	0.903553	0.878882	0.958523	0.93651
	model	precision	recall	F1	accuracy	auc
0	random forest2 cv	0.910057	0.887475	0.898603	0.966752	0.935004

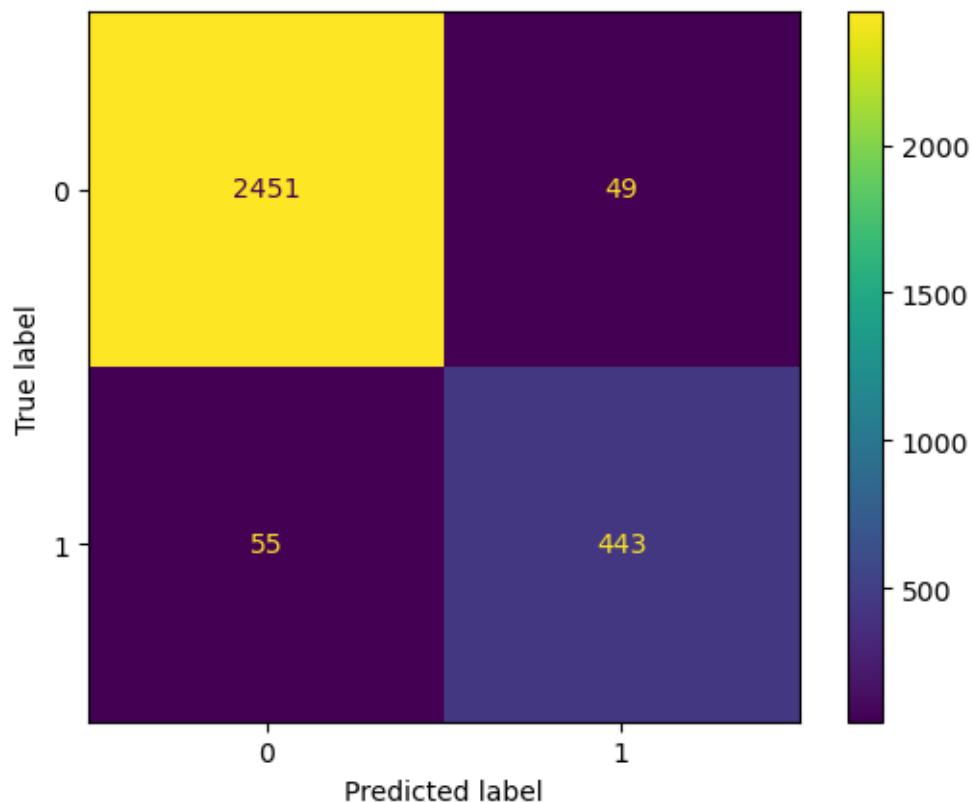
7.4 Random Forest 2 Test Scores

```
[94]: # Get predictions on test data
rf2_test_scores = get_scores('random forest2 test', rf2, X_test, y_test)
rf2_test_scores
```

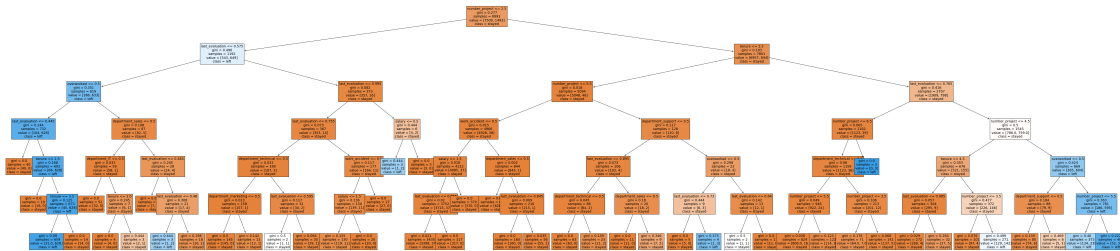
	model	precision	recall	f1	accuracy	AUC
0	random forest2 test	0.900407	0.889558	0.894949	0.96531	0.934979

```
[95]: # Generate array of values for confusion matrix
preds = rf2.best_estimator_.predict(X_test)
cm = confusion_matrix(y_test, preds, labels=rf2.classes_)

# Plot confusion matrix
disp = ConfusionMatrixDisplay(confusion_matrix=cm,
                              display_labels=rf2.classes_)
disp.plot(values_format='');
```



```
[96]: # Plot the tree
plt.figure(figsize=(85,20))
plot_tree(tree2.best_estimator_, max_depth=6, fontsize=14, feature_names=X.
↪columns,
        class_names={0: 'stayed', 1: 'left'}, filled=True);
plt.show()
```



8 Feature Importance

```
[98]: tree2_importances = pd.DataFrame(tree2.best_estimator_.feature_importances_,
        columns=['gini_importance'],
        index=X.columns
    )

tree2_importances = tree2_importances.sort_values(by='gini_importance',
↪ascending=False)

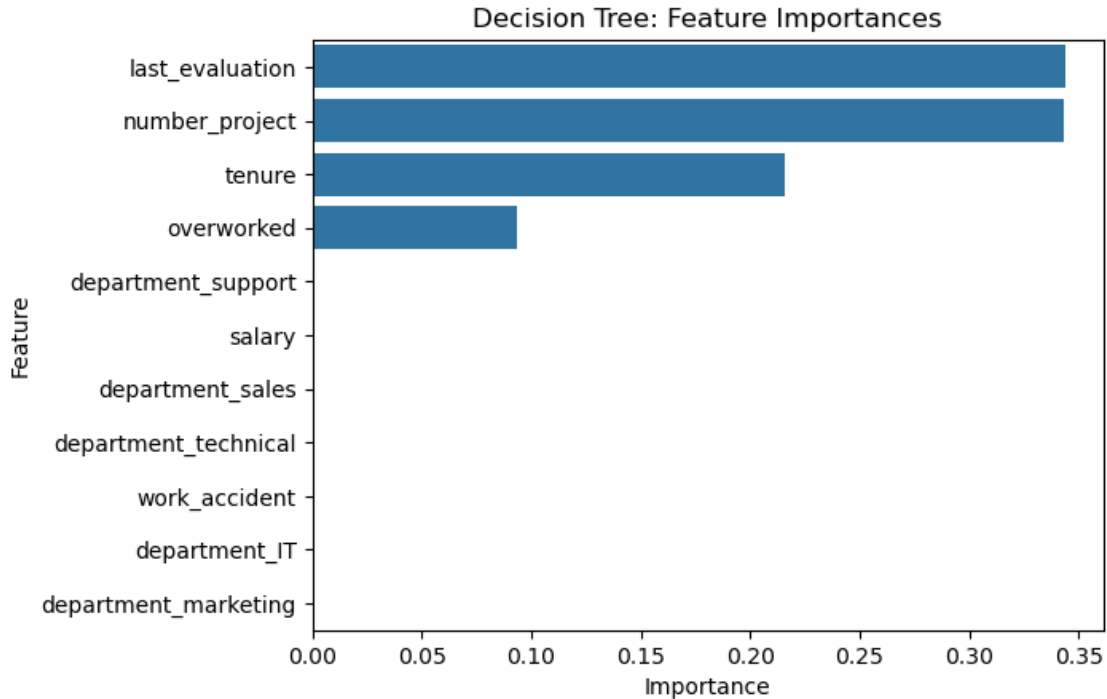
# Only extract the features with importances > 0
tree2_importances = tree2_importances[tree2_importances['gini_importance'] != 0]
tree2_importances
```

```
[98]:
```

	gini_importance
last_evaluation	0.343958
number_project	0.343385
tenure	0.215681
overworked	0.093498
department_support	0.001142
salary	0.000910
department_sales	0.000607
department_technical	0.000418
work_accident	0.000183
department_IT	0.000139
department_marketing	0.000078

```
[99]: # Barplot to show Decision Tree feature importances

sns.barplot(data=tree2_importances, x="gini_importance", y=tree2_importances.
↳index, orient='h')
plt.title("Decision Tree: Feature Importances", fontsize=12)
plt.ylabel("Feature")
plt.xlabel("Importance")
plt.show()
```



```
[100]: # Barplot to show Random Forest feature importances

# Get feature importances
feat_impt = rf2.best_estimator_.feature_importances_

# Get indices of top 10 features
ind = np.argsort(rf2.best_estimator_.feature_importances_, -10)[-10:]

# Get column labels of top 10 features
feat = X.columns[ind]

# Filter `feat_impt` to consist of top 10 feature importances
feat_impt = feat_impt[ind]

y_df = pd.DataFrame({"Feature":feat,"Importance":feat_impt})
```

```

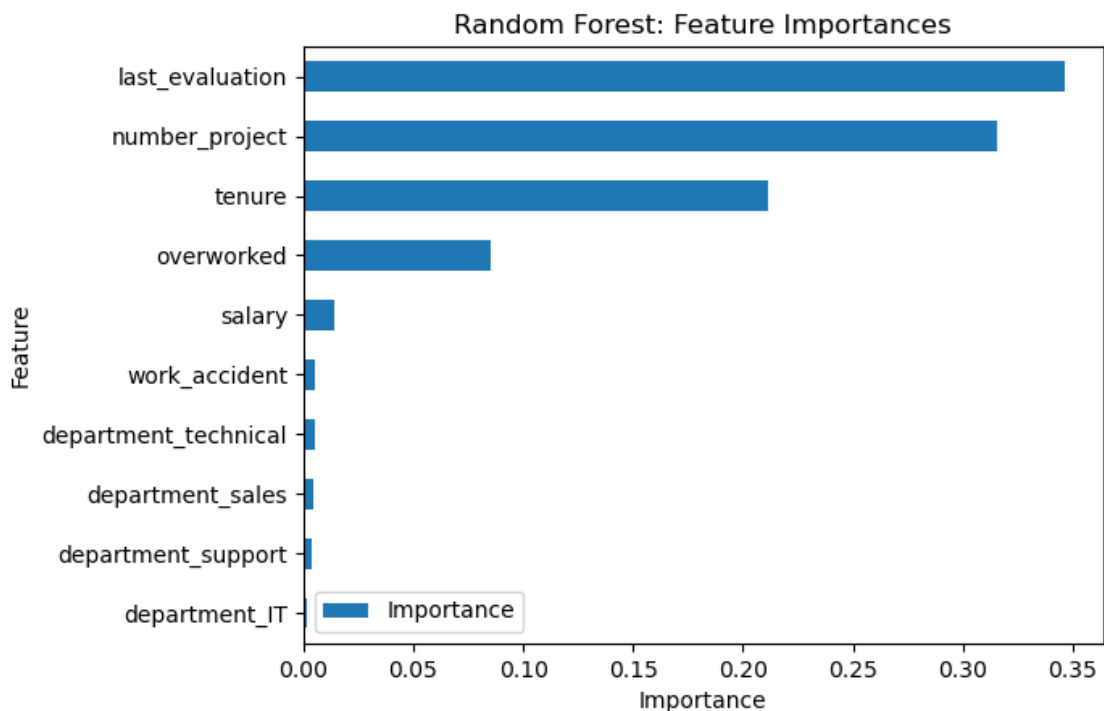
y_sort_df = y_df.sort_values("Importance")
fig = plt.figure()
ax1 = fig.add_subplot(111)

y_sort_df.plot(kind='barh',ax=ax1,x="Feature",y="Importance")

ax1.set_title("Random Forest: Feature Importances", fontsize=12)
ax1.set_ylabel("Feature")
ax1.set_xlabel("Importance")

plt.show()

```



8.1 Results and Evaluation

Tree-based Machine Learning

After conducting feature engineering, the decision tree model achieved AUC of 93.7%, precision of 85.7%, recall of 90.4%, f1-score of 87.9%, and accuracy of 95.9%, on the test set.

The random forest modestly outperformed the decision tree model.

8.1.1 Conclusion, Recommendations, Next Steps

The models and the feature importances extracted from the models confirm that employees at the company are overworked.

To retain employees, the following recommendations could be presented to the stakeholders:

- Cap the number of projects that employees can work on. (5 or 6 projects at maximum, I'd suggest 5 and see the effects of that initially)
- Conduct further investigation about why four-year tenured employees are so dissatisfied, potentially a low amount of 4-year employees? If that's the case, why?
- Figure out a way to have employees work less, or reward them adequately for working more.
- Possibly restructure environment, make sure employees don't feel the need to be overworked, potentially an understaffed issue or workflow efficiency problem?
- High evaluation scores shouldn't be so correlated with being overworked. Consider implementing team rewards so individuals don't feel the need to work so much more than is needed.

```
[104]: # Model performance metrics from your project
models = ['Random Forest', 'Decision Tree', 'Logistic Regression']
precision = [98.4, 95.2, 89.7]
recall = [91.5, 88.3, 82.1]
f1_score = [94.8, 91.6, 85.7]

# Set up the figure
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(10, 6))

# Set width of bars
barWidth = 0.25
positions = np.arange(len(models))

# Create bars
plt.bar(positions - barWidth, precision, width=barWidth, color='#0066cc',
        label='Precision (%)')
plt.bar(positions, recall, width=barWidth, color='#6c42c7', label='Recall (%)')
plt.bar(positions + barWidth, f1_score, width=barWidth, color='#42a5f5',
        label='F1-Score (%)')

# Add labels and title
plt.xlabel('Models', fontweight='bold', fontsize=12)
plt.ylabel('Performance (%)', fontweight='bold', fontsize=12)
plt.title('Model Performance Comparison', fontweight='bold', fontsize=14)
plt.xticks(positions, models)
plt.ylim(75, 100)

# Add a grid for better readability
plt.grid(axis='y', linestyle='--', alpha=0.7)

# Add legend
plt.legend(loc='lower right')

# Add value labels on top of bars
for i, v in enumerate(precision):
```



```

plt.text(i - barWidth, v + 0.5, str(v), ha='center')
for i, v in enumerate(recall):
    plt.text(i, v + 0.5, str(v), ha='center')
for i, v in enumerate(f1_score):
    plt.text(i + barWidth, v + 0.5, str(v), ha='center')

# Save the figure
plt.tight_layout()
plt.savefig('employee-model-performance.jpg', dpi=300)
plt.show()

```

