Building Random Forest and XGBoost Models

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This study uses the **Heart Disease Dataset**

(https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Heart+Disease) from the UCI Machine Learning Repository (https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/index.php). Using the dataset, I will train a classifier to predict if someone has heart disease based on their sex, age, blood pressure and a variety of other metrics. Previously, I have built a decision tree for this dataset (shared in the same repository) and achieved an accuracy of 0.82 and recall of 0.85. Here, I will use Random Forest and XGboost to improve the predictions. Random Forest and XGBoost are both ensemble learning models. Random Forest uses bagging while XGBoost uses boosting to reduce the variance in decision trees. After model optimization (hyperparameter tuning) Random Forest achieved an accuracy of 0.88 and recall of 0.85, XGBoost achieved an accuracy of 0.92 and recall of 0.88, both showing a slight improvement over the performance of the decision tree.

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Data Import and Cleaning

```
In [1]:
        | import pandas as pd
            import numpy as np
            import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
            import xgboost as xgb
            from xgboost import plot importance
            from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
            from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split, cross_val_score, GridSe
            from sklearn.metrics import (
                precision recall curve,
                plot_precision_recall_curve,
                roc_curve,
                plot_roc_curve,
                confusion_matrix,
                plot confusion matrix,
                accuracy_score,
                recall_score,
                classification report,
            )
            %matplotlib inline
            pd.set_option("display.max_columns", None)
```

Out[2]:

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
(63.0	1.0	1.0	145.0	233.0	1.0	2.0	150.0	0.0	2.3	3.0	0.0	6.0	0
•	l 67.0	1.0	4.0	160.0	286.0	0.0	2.0	108.0	1.0	1.5	2.0	3.0	3.0	2
2	67.0	1.0	4.0	120.0	229.0	0.0	2.0	129.0	1.0	2.6	2.0	2.0	7.0	1
;	37.0	1.0	3.0	130.0	250.0	0.0	0.0	187.0	0.0	3.5	3.0	0.0	3.0	0
4	41.0	0.0	2.0	130.0	204.0	0.0	2.0	172.0	0.0	1.4	1.0	0.0	3.0	0

Columns are not labeled. We need to add column names.

- age,
- · sex,
- cp, chest pain
- restbp, resting blood pressure (in mm Hg)
- chol, serum cholesterol in mg/dl
- fbs, fasting blood sugar
- restecg, resting electrocardiographic results
- · thalach, maximum heart rate achieved
- · exang, exercise induced angina
- oldpeak, ST depression induced by exercise relative to rest
- slope, the slope of the peak exercise ST segment.

- ca, number of major vessels (0-3) colored by fluoroscopy
- thal, this is short of thalium heart scan.
- hd, diagnosis of heart disease, the predicted attribute

In [3]: ▶ # Labeling the columns df.columns = ["age", "sex", "cp", "restbp", "chol", "fbs", "restecg", "thalach", "exang", "oldpeak", "slope", "ca", "thal", "hd",] df.head()

Out[3]:

	age	sex	ср	restbp	chol	fbs	restecg	thalach	exang	oldpeak	slope	са	thal	hd
0	63.0	1.0	1.0	145.0	233.0	1.0	2.0	150.0	0.0	2.3	3.0	0.0	6.0	0
1	67.0	1.0	4.0	160.0	286.0	0.0	2.0	108.0	1.0	1.5	2.0	3.0	3.0	2
2	67.0	1.0	4.0	120.0	229.0	0.0	2.0	129.0	1.0	2.6	2.0	2.0	7.0	1
3	37.0	1.0	3.0	130.0	250.0	0.0	0.0	187.0	0.0	3.5	3.0	0.0	3.0	0
4	41.0	0.0	2.0	130.0	204.0	0.0	2.0	172.0	0.0	1.4	1.0	0.0	3.0	0

```
In [4]:
         # explore the data
            df.info() # or df.dtypes & df.describe()
            <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
            RangeIndex: 303 entries, 0 to 302
            Data columns (total 14 columns):
                 Column
                          Non-Null Count
                                           Dtype
             0
                                           float64
                 age
                           303 non-null
             1
                          303 non-null
                                           float64
                 sex
             2
                          303 non-null
                                           float64
                 ср
             3
                 restbp
                          303 non-null
                                           float64
             4
                 chol
                          303 non-null
                                           float64
             5
                 fbs
                           303 non-null
                                           float64
             6
                 restecg 303 non-null
                                           float64
             7
                 thalach
                          303 non-null
                                           float64
             8
                          303 non-null
                                           float64
                 exang
             9
                 oldpeak 303 non-null
                                           float64
             10
                 slope
                          303 non-null
                                           float64
             11
                 ca
                           303 non-null
                                           object
             12
                                           object
                 thal
                          303 non-null
             13 hd
                          303 non-null
                                           int64
            dtypes: float64(11), int64(1), object(2)
            memory usage: 33.3+ KB
```

ca and thal are expected to be numeric but are showing up as object type. Let's take a closer look.

Since scikit-learn's classification trees do not support datasets with missing values we need to either drop the missing entries or impute the missing values. Since only 6 out of 303 rows are missing values we will drop the incomplete entries.

```
In [7]: # see how many rows have missing values
len(df.loc[(df["ca"] == "?") | (df["thal"] == "?")])
Out[7]: 6
```

```
df.loc[(df["ca"] == "?") | (df["thal"] == "?")]
Out[8]:
                          cp restbp
                                      chol fbs restecg thalach exang oldpeak slope
                                                                                       ca thal he
                age sex
                                     216.0
                                            0.0
           87 53.0
                     0.0
                         3.0
                               128.0
                                                    2.0
                                                           115.0
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          166 52.0
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          266 52.0
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                                                                                   2.0 0.0
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0.0

144.0

173.0

0.0

0.0

0.0

0.0

0.4

0.0

2.0

1.0

7.0

3.0

?

rows that contain missing values

1.0 2.0

125.0 220.0

138.0 175.0 0.0

287 58.0

302 38.0 1.0 3.0

```
In [9]:  # drop missing values
    df = df.loc[(df["ca"] != "?") & (df["thal"] != "?")]
    # make sure they are gone!
    for col in ["ca", "thal"]:
        print(col, "values:", df[col].unique())

    ca values: ['0.0' '3.0' '2.0' '1.0']
    thal values: ['6.0' '3.0' '7.0']

In [10]:  # checking hd (our dependent variable) values
    # value 0 means no heart disease while other values indicate some sort of hea df["hd"].unique()

Out[10]: array([0, 2, 1, 3, 4], dtype=int64)
```

Data Formatting

In [8]:

Dependent and independent variables

Since we want to build a binary classifier, we will label cases with any of the 4 types of heart diseases as class 1 and keep the no heart disease case at class 0.

```
In [11]: # split the data to dependent (y) and independent (X) variables
X = df.drop("hd", axis=1)
y = df["hd"]
# relabel all 4 heart diseases (y between 1 and 4) to 1 to build a binary cla
mask_index = y > 0
y[mask_index] = 1
```

One-Hot Encoding

Categorical columns with more than two values should be one-hot-encoded (array of binary values). Otherwise their data will be treated as numeric which would cause category 1 to be considered closer to category 2 than 3, while we know that categories are not ordinal and should be treated independently. Note that unlike using dummy variables in regression, where we drop one column to insure columns are independent from each other, we should not drop any columns here.

- · age, Float
- sex Category
 - 0 = female
 - 1 = male
- · cp, chest pain, Category
 - 1 = typical angina
 - 2 = atypical angina
 - 3 = non-anginal pain
 - 4 = asymptomatic
- restbp, resting blood pressure (in mm Hg), Float
- chol, serum cholesterol in mg/dl, Float
- · fbs, fasting blood sugar, Category
 - 0 = >=120 mg/dl
 - 1 = <120 mg/dl
- · restecg, resting electrocardiographic results, Category
 - 1 = normal
 - 2 = having ST-T wave abnormality
 - 3 = showing probable or definite left ventricular hypertrophy
- · thalach, maximum heart rate achieved, Float
- · exang, exercise induced angina, Category
 - 0 = no
 - 1 = yes
- oldpeak, ST depression induced by exercise relative to rest. Float
- slope, the slope of the peak exercise ST segment, Category
 - 1 = upsloping
 - 2 = flat
 - 3 = downsloping
- ca, number of major vessels (0-3) colored by fluoroscopy, Float
- · thal, thalium heart scan, Category
 - 3 = normal (no cold spots)
 - 6 = fixed defect (cold spots during rest and exercise)
 - 7 = reversible defect (when cold spots only appear during exercise)

```
In [12]:
              # making sure the values match what we expect and no data entry error exists
              for col in ["cp", "restecg", "slope", "thal"]:
                   print(col, "values:", X[col].unique())
               cp values: [1. 4. 3. 2.]
               restecg values: [2. 0. 1.]
               slope values: [3. 2. 1.]
               thal values: ['6.0' '3.0' '7.0']
In [13]:
              # using get dummies() on a single column
              pd.get dummies(X, columns=["cp"]).head()
    Out[13]:
                       sex restbp
                                    chol fbs restecg
                                                      thalach exang oldpeak slope
                                                                                       thal cp_1.0 (
                   age
                                                                                   ca
               0 63.0
                        1.0
                             145.0
                                   233.0
                                         1.0
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                        1.0
                             160.0
                                   286.0 0.0
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               4 41.0
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                             130.0 204.0 0.0
                                                  2.0
                                                        172.0
                                                                                1.0 0.0
                                                                                                  0
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                                                                         1.4
                                                                                         3.0
In [14]:
              # converting all the categorical columns
              X_encoded = pd.get_dummies(X, columns=["cp", "restecg", "slope", "thal"])
              X encoded.head()
    Out[14]:
                   age
                       sex restbp
                                    chol fbs thalach exang
                                                             oldpeak
                                                                     ca cp_1.0 cp_2.0 cp_3.0 cp_4.0
               0 63.0
                        1.0
                             145.0
                                   233.0
                                          1.0
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```

Convert all columns to integer, float or bool for XGBoost

RF and XGBoost require that all data be integer, float or boolean data types.

```
In [15]:
           X encoded.dtypes
    Out[15]: age
                             float64
                             float64
              sex
              restbp
                             float64
              chol
                             float64
              fbs
                             float64
              thalach
                             float64
                             float64
              exang
                             float64
              oldpeak
                              object
              ca
              cp_1.0
                               uint8
              cp_2.0
                               uint8
              cp_3.0
                               uint8
              cp 4.0
                               uint8
              restecg_0.0
                               uint8
              restecg 1.0
                               uint8
              restecg_2.0
                               uint8
              slope_1.0
                               uint8
              slope 2.0
                               uint8
              slope 3.0
                               uint8
              thal 3.0
                               uint8
              thal 6.0
                               uint8
              thal_7.0
                               uint8
              dtype: object
             # there is one column ca (number of major vessels) that does not satisfy data
In [16]:
             X_encoded["ca"] = pd.to_numeric(X_encoded["ca"])
In [17]:

⋈ y.dtypes

    Out[17]: dtype('int64')
```

Building a Preliminary Random Forest Model

The data is already preprocessed and ready to be used in a random forest model.

An important difference between training a single tree and a tree within a forest is that for classification tasks, forest trees are usually trained until the leaf nodes contain one sample, or only samples from a single class. By contrast, training of a stand-alone tree usually stops before such leaf purity to avoid overfitting. Stand-alone trees may also use cross-validation and pruning to stop training. Neither are used within a forest. For regression tasks forest trees usually stop training with leaves containing five or fewer samples.

When deciding which variable to split in a forest, only certain variables are considered. If there are p predictor variables, then by default sqrt(p) are randomly chosen for consideration for each split in a classification task. In a regression task, p/3 variables are randomly chosen. The data is passed down the tree and at each node the best splitting variable is chosen. The data is partitioned according to the split to form two new nodes. This process repeats until we reach a leaf.

So by default random forest bootstraps on the sample and for each tree selects a sample equal to the size of the original sample. Also by default no pruning is performed. It is possible to change both of these settings.

```
▶ # let's see how balanced our dataset is
In [18]:
             len(y[y == 1]) / len(y)
   Out[18]: 0.4612794612794613
In [19]:
          # split the data into training and testing sets
             X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X_encoded, y, random_stat
In [20]:
          # create an instance of a decision tree classifier and fit it to the training
             clf rf = RandomForestClassifier(random state=42, class weight="balanced")
             clf_rf.fit(X_train, y_train)
   Out[20]: RandomForestClassifier(class weight='balanced', random state=42)
In [21]:
          # classification report prior to hyperparameter tuning
             predicted_train = clf_rf.predict(X_train)
             predicted_test = clf_rf.predict(X_test)
             print("Results before hyperparameter tuning:\n")
             print("training set metrics")
             print(classification_report(y_train, predicted_train))
             print("")
             print("test set metrics")
             print(classification_report(y_test, predicted_test))
             Results before hyperparameter tuning:
             training set metrics
                           precision
                                        recall f1-score
                                                           support
                        0
                                1.00
                                          1.00
                                                    1.00
                                                                118
                        1
                                1.00
                                          1.00
                                                    1.00
                                                                104
                                                                222
                                                    1.00
                 accuracy
                macro avg
                                1.00
                                          1.00
                                                    1.00
                                                                222
             weighted avg
                                1.00
                                          1.00
                                                    1.00
                                                                222
             test set metrics
                           precision
                                        recall f1-score
                                                           support
                                                                 42
                        0
                                0.88
                                          0.88
                                                    0.88
                        1
                                0.85
                                          0.85
                                                    0.85
                                                                 33
                 accuracy
                                                    0.87
                                                                 75
                                                    0.86
                                                                 75
                macro avg
                                0.86
                                          0.86
             weighted avg
                                0.87
                                          0.87
                                                    0.87
                                                                 75
```

Optimizing Parameters with Cross Validation and GridSearch

Random Forest has a lot of hyperparameters, including:

- n_estimators : the number of trees to make
- criterion : {"gini", "entropy"}, default="gini" The function to measure the quality of a split. Supported criteria are "gini" for the Gini impurity and "entropy" for the information gain. Note: this parameter is tree-specific.
- max_depth : int, default=None The maximum depth of the tree. If None, then nodes are expanded until all leaves are pure or until all leaves contain less than min_samples_split samples.
- min_samples_split : int or float, default=2. The minimum number of samples required to split an internal node:
 - If int, then consider min_samples_split as the minimum number.
 - If float, then min_samples_split is a fraction and ceil(min_samples_split * n_samples) are the minimum number of samples for each split.
- min_samples_leaf: int or float, default=1 The minimum number of samples required to be
 at a leaf node. A split point at any depth will only be considered if it leaves at least
 min_samples_leaf: training samples in each of the left and right branches. This may have
 the effect of smoothing the model, especially in regression.
 - If int, then consider min_samples_leaf as the minimum number.
 - If float, then min_samples_leaf is a fraction and ceil(min_samples_leaf * n_samples) are the minimum number of samples for each node.
- min_weight_fraction_leaf: float, default=0.0 The minimum weighted fraction of the sum total of weights (of all the input samples) required to be at a leaf node. Samples have equal weight when sample weight is not provided.
- max_features : {"auto", "sqrt", "log2"}, int or float, default="auto" The number of features to consider when looking for the best split:
 - If int, then consider max features features at each split.
 - If float, then max_features is a fraction and int(max_features * n_features)
 features are considered at each split.
 - If "auto", then max_features=sqrt(n_features) .
 - If "sqrt", then max_features=sqrt(n_features) (same as "auto").
 - If "log2", then max features=log2(n features).
 - If None, then max features=n features.

Note: the search for a split does not stop until at least one valid partition of the node samples is found, even if it requires to effectively inspect more than <code>max_features</code> features.

- max_leaf_nodes : int, default=None Grow trees with max_leaf_nodes in best-first fashion.
 Best nodes are defined as relative reduction in impurity. If None then unlimited number of leaf nodes.
- min_impurity_decrease : float, default=0.0 A node will be split if this split induces a
 decrease of the impurity greater than or equal to this value.

The weighted impurity decrease equation is the following::

where N is the total number of samples, N_t is the number of samples at the current node, $N_t L$ is the number of samples in the left child, and $N_t R$ is the number of samples in the right child.

N, N_t, N_t_R and N_t_L all refer to the weighted sum, if sample_weight is passed.

- bootstrap: default=True. Whether bootstrap samples are used when building trees. If False, the whole dataset is used to build each tree.
- n_jobs: The number of jobs to run in parallel. fit, predict, decision_path and apply are all
 parallelized over the trees. None means 1 unless in a joblib.parallel_backend context. -1
 means using all processors.
- random_state : Controls both the randomness of the bootstrapping of the samples used
 when building trees (if bootstrap=True) and the sampling of the features to consider when
 looking for the best split at each node (if max_features < n_features)
- `ccp_alpha': non-negative float, default=0.0 Complexity parameter used for Minimal Cost-Complexity Pruning. The subtree with the largest cost complexity that is smaller than ccp_alpha will be chosen. By default, no pruning is performed.

Since there are many hyperparameters to optimize, I will use GridSearchCV() to tests all possible combinations of the parameters in given ranges.

```
In [22]:
         # hyperparameter tuning
             clf rf = RandomForestClassifier(random state=5, class weight="balanced")
             param grid = {
                 "n_estimators": [5, 10, 20, 30],
                 "min_samples_split": [2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10],
                 "min_samples_leaf": [1, 2, 3, 4, 5],
                 "max_features": ["sqrt", "log2"],
                 "max depth": [5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 15],
             }
             # using recall for scoring improved the recall a couple of percent for traini
             # so I used the default which is the estimator default scoring. For RF that i
             clf = GridSearchCV(estimator=clf_rf, param_grid=param_grid, cv=5, n_jobs=6)
             clf.fit(X train, y train)
             print(clf.best_params_)
             {'max_depth': 6, 'max_features': 'sqrt', 'min_samples_leaf': 3, 'min_sample
```

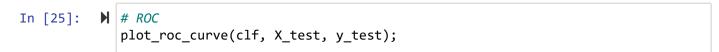
Evaluating the Optimized Random Forest Model

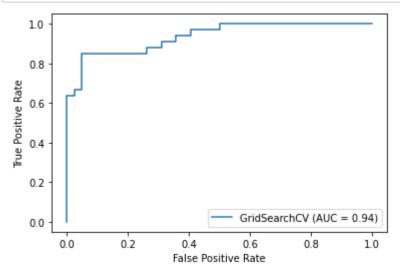
s split': 8, 'n estimators': 20}

In [24]: # classification report predicted_train = clf.predict(X_train) predicted_test = clf.predict(X_test) print("Results after hyperparameter tuning:\n") print("training set metrics") print(classification_report(y_train, predicted_train)) print("") print("test set metrics") print(classification_report(y_test, predicted_test))

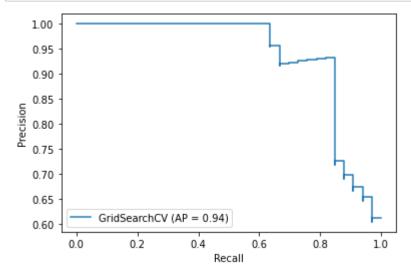
Results after hyperparameter tuning:

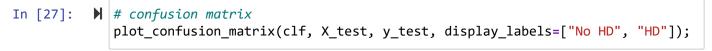
training	set	metrics			
		precision	recall	f1-score	support
	0	0.90	0.95	0.92	118
	1	0.94	0.88	0.91	104
accur	acy			0.91	222
macro	avg	0.92	0.91	0.91	222
weighted	avg	0.92	0.91	0.91	222
test set	metr	ics			
		precision	recall	f1-score	support
	0	0.88	0.90	0.89	42
	1	0.88	0.85	0.86	33
accur	acy			0.88	75
macro	avg	0.88	0.88	0.88	75
weighted	avg	0.88	0.88	0.88	75

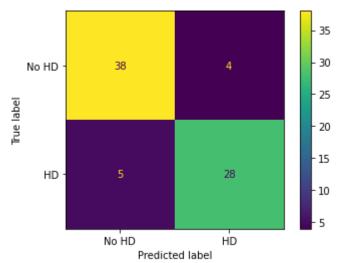




In [26]: # precision recall
plot_precision_recall_curve(clf, X_test, y_test);





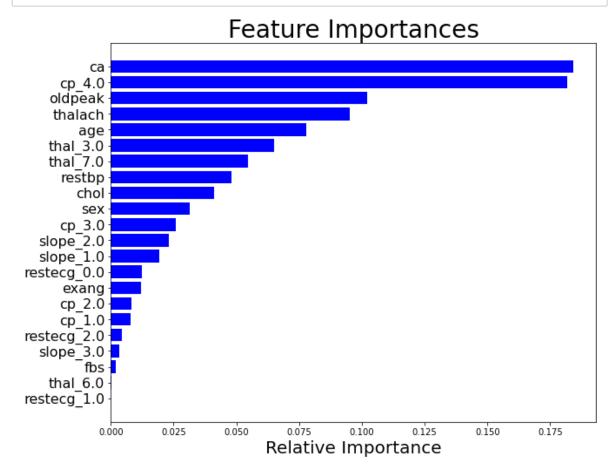


Feature Importance

Feature importance is calculated explicitly for each attribute in the dataset, allowing attributes to be ranked and compared to each other. Importance is calculated for a single decision tree by the amount that each attribute split point improves the performance measure, weighted by the number of observations the node is responsible for. The performance measure may be the purity (Gini index) used to select the split points or another more specific error function. The feature importances are then averaged across all of the decision trees within the model.

```
In [28]: # plot feature importance
    features = X_train.columns
    best_rf = clf.best_estimator_
    importances = best_rf.feature_importances_
    indices = np.argsort(importances)

plt.figure(figsize=(10, 8))
    plt.title("Feature Importances", fontsize=28)
    plt.barh(range(len(indices)), importances[indices], color="b", align="center"
    plt.yticks(range(len(indices)), features[indices], fontsize=16)
    plt.xlabel("Relative Importance", fontsize=20);
```



Building a Preliminary XGBoost Model

```
In [29]:
          # split the data into training and testing sets
            X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X_encoded, y, random_stat
             # create an instance of a decision tree classifier and fit it to the training
             clf xgb = xgb.XGBClassifier(objective="binary:logistic", seed=42)
             clf_xgb.fit(X_train, y_train)
   Out[29]: XGBClassifier(base score=0.5, booster='gbtree', colsample bylevel=1,
                          colsample_bynode=1, colsample_bytree=1, gamma=0, gpu_id=-1,
                           importance_type='gain', interaction_constraints='',
                          learning_rate=0.300000012, max_delta_step=0, max_depth=6,
                          min_child_weight=1, missing=nan, monotone_constraints='()',
                          n_estimators=100, n_jobs=0, num_parallel_tree=1, random_state
             =42,
                          reg alpha=0, reg lambda=1, scale pos weight=1, seed=42,
                           subsample=1, tree_method='exact', validate_parameters=1,
                          verbosity=None)
In [30]:
          predicted_train = clf_xgb.predict(X_train)
            predicted_test = clf_xgb.predict(X_test)
             print("Results before hyperparameter tuning:\n")
             print("training set metrics")
             print(classification report(y train, predicted train))
             print("")
             print("test set metrics")
             print(classification_report(y_test, predicted_test))
             Results before hyperparameter tuning:
             training set metrics
                          precision
                                       recall f1-score
                                                          support
                       0
                               1.00
                                         1.00
                                                   1.00
                                                              118
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                                                              104
                                                   1.00
                                                              222
                 accuracy
                                                              222
                macro avg
                               1.00
                                         1.00
                                                   1.00
             weighted avg
                               1.00
                                         1.00
                                                   1.00
                                                              222
             test set metrics
                                       recall f1-score
                          precision
                                                          support
                       0
                               0.88
                                         0.86
                                                   0.87
                                                               42
                       1
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                                                   0.84
                                                               33
                                                   0.85
                                                               75
                 accuracy
                               0.85
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                                                   0.85
                                                               75
               macro avg
             weighted avg
                               0.85
                                         0.85
                                                   0.85
                                                               75
```

Optimizing Parameters with Cross Validation and GridSearch

XGBoost has even more hyperparameters than RF. I have selected a few here:

- n_estimators : the number of XGBoost Trees to make
- max_depth : the maximum tree depth
- learning_rate : the learning rate, or "eta"
- gamma: the parameter that encourages pruning
- reg lambda: the L2 regularization parameter lambda.

I will focus on the above hyperparameters and optimize them with GridSearchCV().

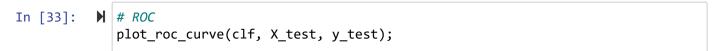
```
# GridSearchCV
In [31]:
             # currently using the default scoring metric
             # For more scoring metics see: https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/model
             # default logloss https://xgboost.readthedocs.io/en/latest/parameter.html
             param_grid = {
                 "max_depth": [3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8],
                 "n estimators": range(50, 250, 50),
                 "learning_rate": [0.01, 0.05, 0.1, 0.2],
                 "gamma": [0, 0.25, 0.5, 1.0, 1.25, 1.5, 1.75, 2.0],
                 "reg_lambda": [0, 1.0, 10.0, 100.0, 150.0, 200.0],
             clf = GridSearchCV(
                 estimator=xgb.XGBClassifier(objective="binary:logistic", seed=42),
                 param_grid=param_grid,
                 verbose=0, # If you want to see what Grid Search is doing, set verbose=2
                 n_jobs=10,
                 cv=5,
             clf.fit(X_train, y_train)
             print(clf.best params )
             {'gamma': 1.0, 'learning_rate': 0.2, 'max_depth': 3, 'n_estimators': 50, 'r
             eg_lambda': 150.0}
```

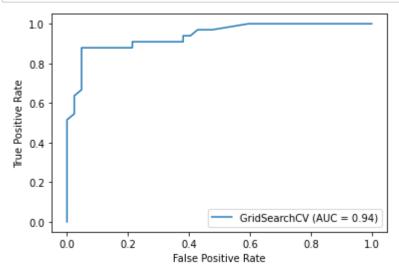
Evaluating the Optimized XGBoost Model

In [32]: # classification report predicted_train = clf.best_estimator_.predict(X_train) predicted_test = clf.best_estimator_.predict(X_test) print("Results after hyperparameter tuning:\n") print("training set metrics") print(classification_report(y_train, predicted_train)) print("") print("test set metrics") print(classification_report(y_test, predicted_test))

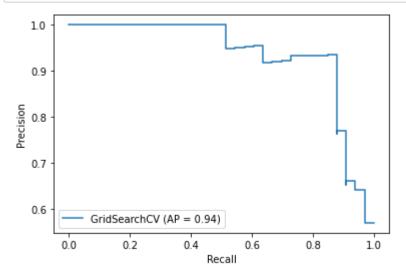
Results after hyperparameter tuning:

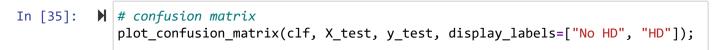
training	set	metrics precision	recall	f1-score	support
	0	0.79	0.92	0.85	118
	1	0.88	0.73	0.80	104
accur	-	0.04	0.02	0.83	222
macro	_	0.84	0.82	0.83	222
weighted	avg	0.84	0.83	0.83	222
test set	metr	ics precision	recall	f1-score	support
	0	0.91	0.95	0.93	42
	1	0.94	0.88	0.91	33
accur	•	0.00	0.02	0.92	75 75
macro	_	0.92	0.92	0.92	75
weighted	avg	0.92	0.92	0.92	75

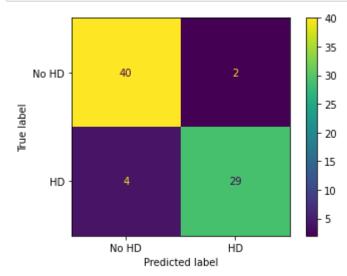




In [34]: # precision recall curve
plot_precision_recall_curve(clf, X_test, y_test);







Feature importance

```
In [36]:
          # feature importance
             # another plot from xgboost package with a different style
             # plot importance(clf.best estimator , xlabel = None)
             features = X_train.columns
             best_xgb = clf.best_estimator_
             importances = best_xgb.feature_importances_
             sorted_idx = importances.argsort()
             # to remove the features with zero importance
             non_zero_count = len([x for x in best_xgb.feature_importances_ if x != 0])
             plt.figure(figsize=(10, 4))
             plt.title("Feature Importances", fontsize=28)
             plt.barh(
                 range(non_zero_count),
                 importances[sorted_idx][-non_zero_count:],
                 color="b",
                 align="center",
             plt.yticks(range(non_zero_count), features[sorted_idx][-non_zero_count:], for
             plt.xticks(fontsize=16)
             plt.xlabel("Relative Importance", fontsize=20);
```

