# Project 4 West Nile Virus Prediction

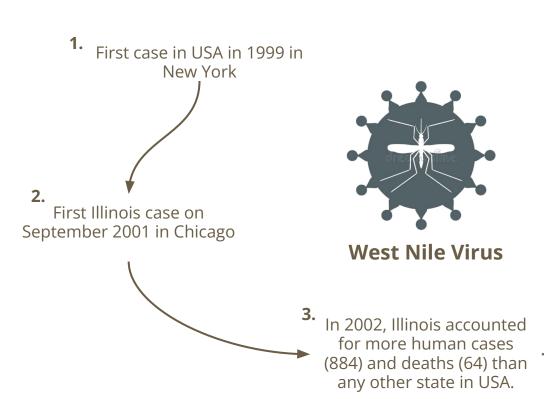
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#### Introduction



Virus is now an endemic in Chicago



4. City of Chicago and the Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH) established surveillance and control program that is still in effect today



#### **Problem Statement**

Due to the endemic of West Nile Virus in Chicago, the Department of Public Health has set up a surveillance and control system through which weather, location, testing, and spraying data was collected. CDPH has contacted our team to develop a model to predict the locations where there would be West Nile virus outbreaks.

Using these available datasets, the model will help the City of Chicago and CPHD more efficiently and effectively target spraying of specific neighbourhoods with higher risk of West Nile Virus. This can help the City of Chicago save costs while still keeping the virus at bay. Our model efficacy will be assessed by the Kaggle submission.

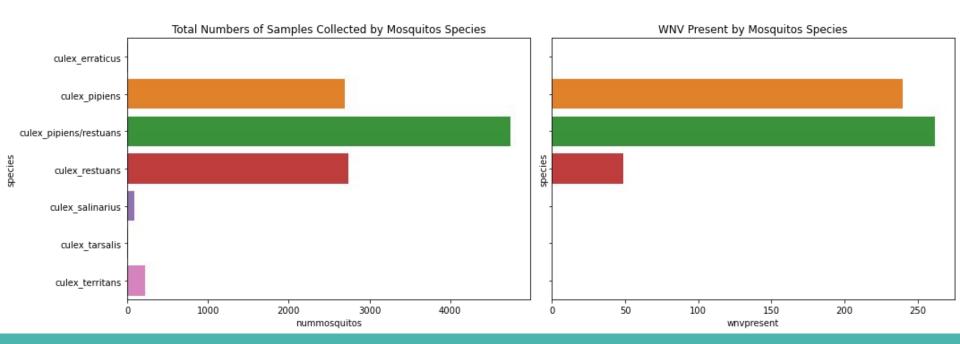
# **Datasets - Kaggle**

|   | Spray   |   | Train  |   | Weather   |   | Test  |  |
|---|---|---|--|---|---|---|---|--|
| * | Total of 14835<br>observations from<br>4 features | * | Total of 10506<br>observations from 12<br>features.                  | * | Total of 2944<br>observations from<br>22 features         | * | Total of 11,6293<br>from 11 features.                       |  |
| * | Date, time and location of spray the pesticides   | * | Additional  NumMosquitos and  WnvPresent features                    | * | Date, temperature,<br>windspeed, station<br>pressure etc. | * | Date, time,<br>location of trap<br>and mosquitos<br>species |  |
|   |   | * | Date, time, location of<br>trap and mosquitos<br>species and numbers |   |   |   |   |  |

Source: https://www.kaggle.com/c/predict-west-nile-virus/

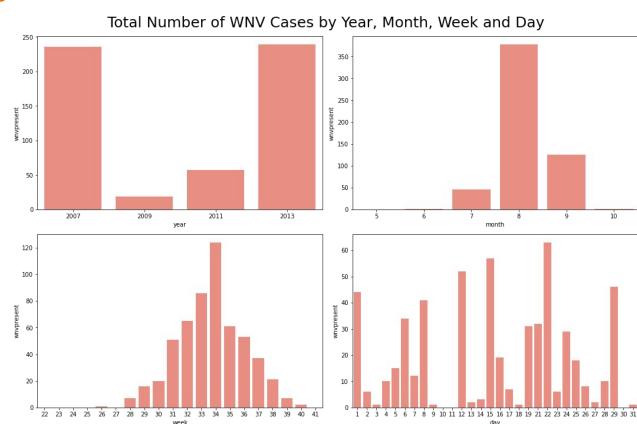
## **Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA) - Species (Train)**

- Imbalanced Class of Datasets with only 5.2% WNV Present cases.
- Majority of mosquitos species are **pipiens & restuans**



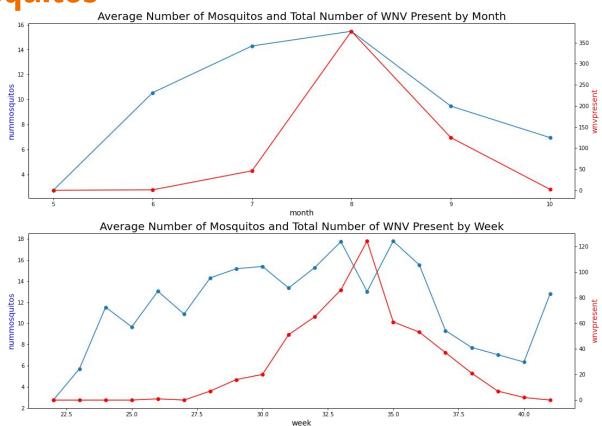
#### **EDA - WNV Present**

- The months of WNV present cases was observed within july to september and peak in August
- Years and Day does not show any consistency in case present



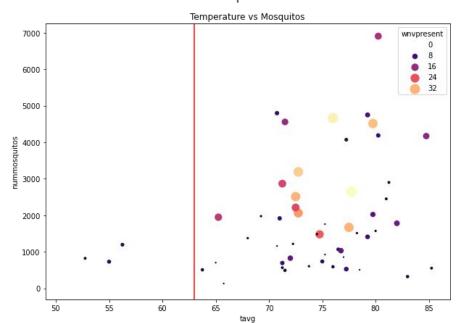
**EDA - Number of Mosquitos** 

 For both month and week, when the numbers of mosquitos increasing, the WNV cases tend to increase

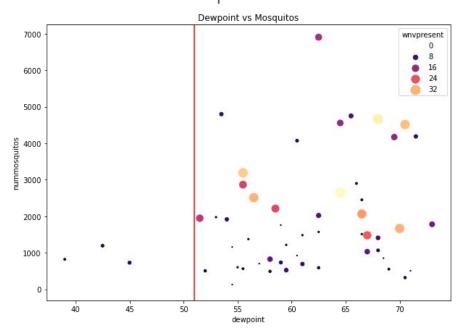


## **EDA - Temperature & Dewpoint (Weather)**

For **average temperatures** above 63°F, we can see that number of mosquitoes and west nile clusters are more prevalent.

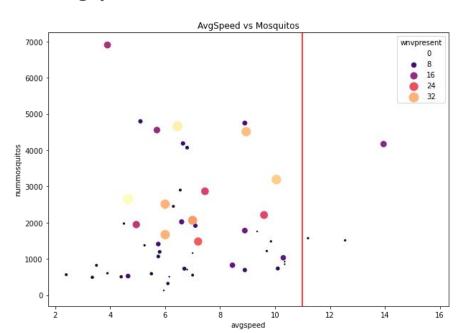


For **DewPoint** above 51°F, we can see that number of mosquitoes and west nile clusters are more prevalent.

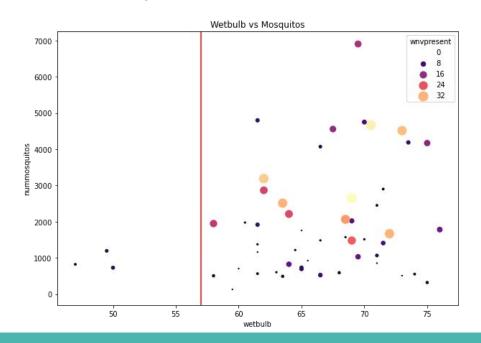


#### EDA - Wind Speed & Wet bulb (Weather)

From the graph, we can see that number of mosquitos and wnv clusters are more prevalent at **avgspeed** below 11 miles/hour.

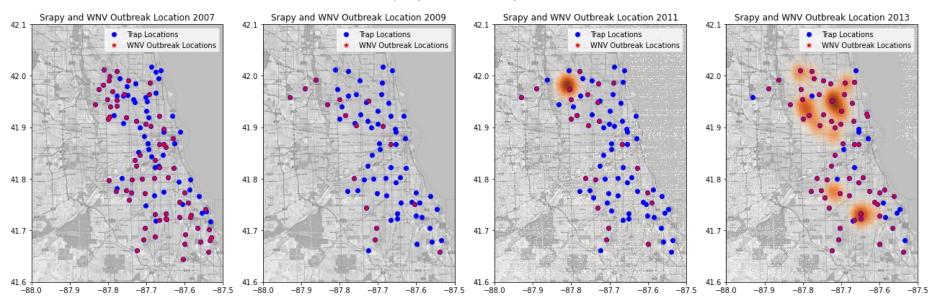


For **WetBulb** above 57°F, we can see that number of mosquitos and west nile clusters are more prevalent.



## **EDA - Trap / WNV / Spray Location**

#### Spray Locations by Year

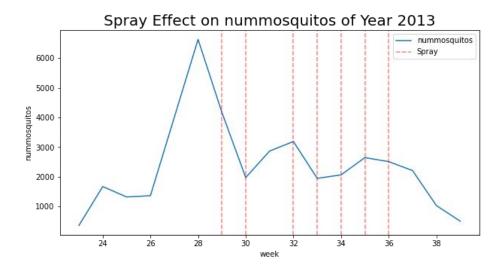


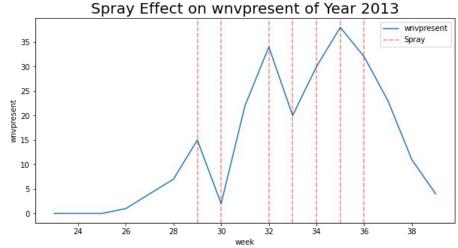
• In 2007 and 2009, there were no spray data shows in City of Chicago. Spray datasets shows only in 2011, and in 2013, the spraying areas were expanded.

# **EDA - Spray Effect**

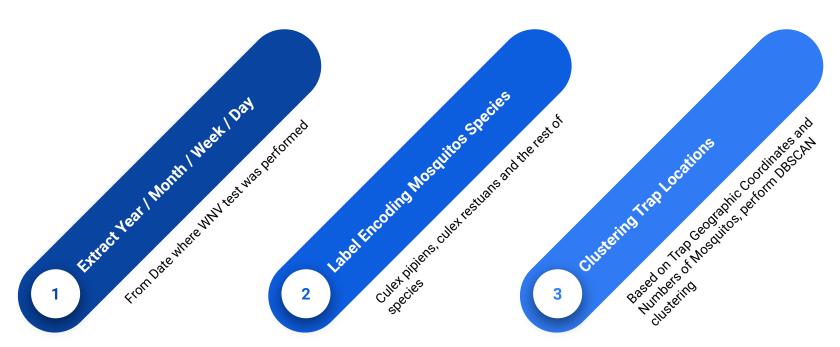
 Spray dataset limited, only have 2 years of data where only 2 sprays carried out in 2011.

 Spray does have the effect on reducing number of mosquitos in both year 2011 and 2013, we cannot conclude that it have strong effect on reducing WMV present



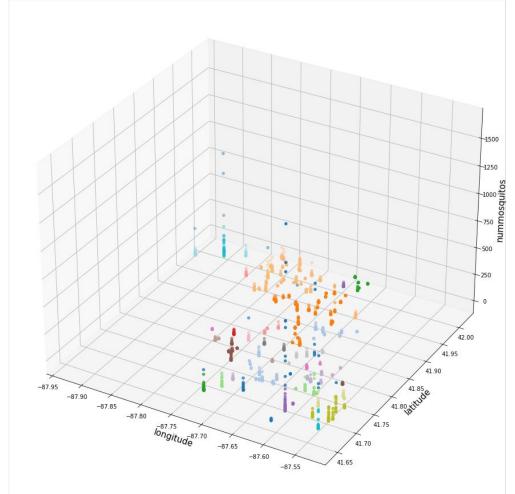


# **Feature Engineering**



## **Clustering Trap Location**

- ★ There are total of 136 unique trap location in train datasets
- ★ Unsupervised Learning DBSCAN to cluster Longitude, Latitude & Numbers of Mosquitos into different trap clusters
- ★ After our clustering, reduce the trap cluster to 38 for our modeling



# Modeling - Logistic Regression & XGBoost Classifier

Using logistic regression as the base model and XGBoost classifier as the model, we achieve an AUC score of 0.82 and a kaggle score of 0.71

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===== XGBClassifier's Metrics ======
Train Score: 0.9610356644244193
Test Score: 0.9440426341834792
Precision Score: 0.42105263157894735
Recall Score: 0.17391304347826086
Average Precision: 0.11662205280666621
f1-Score: 0.24615384615384617
roc auc Score: 0.8254857605347589
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## **Modeling - Using PyCaret**

#### Data Type Numeric species latitude Numeric Numeric longitude Categorical month Categorical week Numeric day

PyCaret wrongly detects species and day as numeric variables instead of categorical variables so we define our own set of categorical variables below.

# **Modeling - PyCaret Results**

|          | Model                            | Accuracy | AUC    | Recall | Prec.  | F1     | Kappa  | MCC    | TT (Sec) |
|----------|----------------------------------|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|
| lightgbm | Light Gradient Boosting Machine  | 0.9153   | 0.8296 | 0.3442 | 0.2741 | 0.3043 | 0.2601 | 0.2624 | 0.7050   |
| xgboost  | gboost Extreme Gradient Boosting |          | 0.8234 | 0.3314 | 0.2728 | 0.2983 | 0.2545 | 0.2562 | 1.8970   |
| lda      | Linear Discriminant Analysis     |          | 0.8093 | 0.7547 | 0.1319 | 0.2245 | 0.1471 | 0.2314 | 0.3710   |
| gbc      | Gradient Boosting Classifier     | 0.8534   | 0.8089 | 0.5201 | 0.1882 | 0.2760 | 0.2144 | 0.2489 | 1.9600   |
| Ir       | Logistic Regression              | 0.7293   | 0.8085 | 0.7318 | 0.1327 | 0.2246 | 0.1476 | 0.2276 | 2.6710   |
| ada      | Ada Boost Classifier             | 0.8107   | 0.7922 | 0.5605 | 0.1529 | 0.2400 | 0.1706 | 0.2183 | 0.5470   |
| rf       | Random Forest Classifier         | 0.9111   | 0.7743 | 0.2958 | 0.2382 | 0.2630 | 0.2165 | 0.2183 | 0.7930   |
| knn      | K Neighbors Classifier           | 0.7565   | 0.7304 | 0.5890 | 0.1239 | 0.2047 | 0.1279 | 0.1832 | 0.3070   |
| nb       | Naive Bayes                      | 0.4369   | 0.6845 | 0.9208 | 0.0808 | 0.1485 | 0.0560 | 0.1521 | 0.0820   |
| et       | Extra Trees Classifier           | 0.9107   | 0.6795 | 0.2932 | 0.2349 | 0.2598 | 0.2131 | 0.2151 | 1.0240   |
| dt       | Decision Tree Classifier         | 0.9102   | 0.6362 | 0.2701 | 0.2253 | 0.2435 | 0.1967 | 0.1986 | 0.2170   |
| qda      | Quadratic Discriminant Analysis  | 0.3330   | 0.6332 | 0.9693 | 0.0721 | 0.1342 | 0.0389 | 0.1330 | 0.2310   |
| dummy    | Dummy Classifier                 | 0.9467   | 0.5000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0710   |
| svm      | SVM - Linear Kernel              | 0.6261   | 0.0000 | 0.7136 | 0.1100 | 0.1766 | 0.1055 | 0.1772 | 0.4670   |
| ridge    | ge Ridge Classifier              |          | 0.0000 | 0.7624 | 0.1330 | 0.2264 | 0.1492 | 0.2350 | 0.0800   |

Baseline Model - Dummy Classifier with AUC of 0.5.

Best Model is lightgbm with AUC score of 0.8296

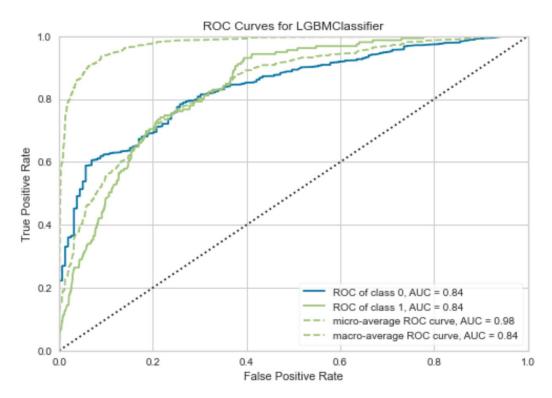
AUC score selected as evaluation as AUC measures the performance of the model at distinguishing between the positive and negative classes.

For this problem, we want to clearly identify the true positive and the true negatives so we optimize AUC.

## **Modeling - Hyperparameter Tuning**

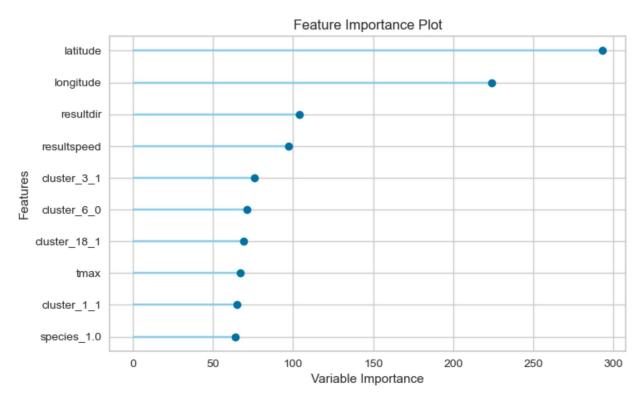
Using automl to perform hyperparameter tuning

# **Modeling - AUC Graph**



AUC Score of 0.84

# **Modeling - Feature Importance**

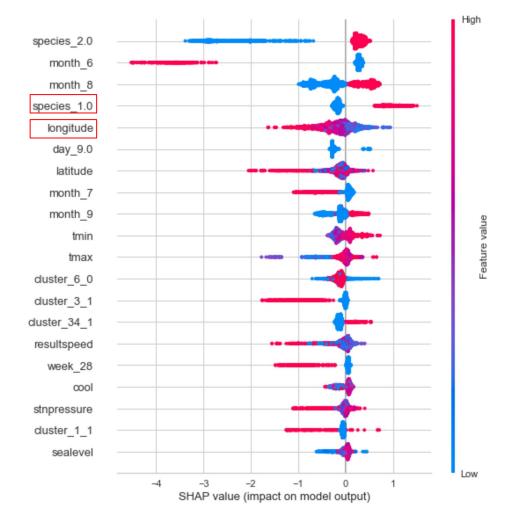


The most important features are latitude and longitude which is the location of the virus.

Other important features include resultdir, resultspeed, tmax, speices\_1 and a few clusters.

## **Modeling - SHAP Values**

The features that contribute highest to a positive SHAP values are longitude and spieces\_1.0 which is the location of the virus and the species.



#### The Cost of West Nile Virus

#### \$800 million



That's how much in hospitalisation and lost productivity the West Nile Virus has cost the USA from 1999 - 2013.

1 in 150



patients with the West Nile Virus that will develop severe symptoms.

\$7,500



The mean hospitalisation and lost productivity cost for mild cases.

\$80,000



The mean hospitalisation and lost productivity cost for severe cases.

## **Cost Benefit Analysis**

#### **Assumptions**

#### **Spray Cost**

- Zenivex costs \$0.92/acre
- Pest control worker earns \$20/hour
- 8pm 1am (5 hour spray window)
- 149 traps all will have spray operations
- 1 worker per trap
- 1km radius spray per trap
- Spray will be 7 times a year

#### **Cost of not Spraying**

- All cases are non-severe
- Mean cost for non-severe cases \$7.500
- 200 additional cases if no spray conducted



#### **Conclusion**



**Best model: Light Gradient Boosting Machine with AUC score 0.8260** 

#### **Further research**

- Insight number of mosquito caught per trap
- the life cycle of mosquito
- Weather pattern



#### **Better Adoption**



#### **Technology solution**

Drone used in mosquito control



Personal precautious

- Reduce the standing water
- Use repellent
- Wear covered clothes

