MACHINE LEARNING LAB 4

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Introduction

Implement and compare **manual grid search** and **GridSearchCV** for hyperparameter tuning across multiple classifiers.

The models are evaluated using metrics such as Accuracy, Precision, Recall, F1-Score, and ROC AUC.

Dataset Description

Dataset 1: HR Attrition

• Source: IBM HR Analytics dataset

Target: Attrition (Yes/No → binary classification)

• Size: ~1470 rows, ~35 features

• Note the class imbalance (most employees stay, few leave).

Dataset 2: Wine Quality (or whichever second dataset you choose)

• Source: UCI Wine Quality dataset

• Target: Good quality wine (quality > 5 → 1 else 0)

• Size: ~1600 rows, 11 features

Methodology

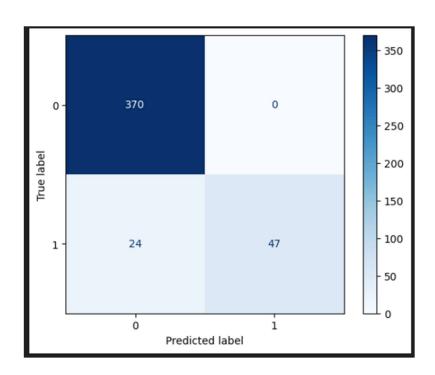
- 1. Preprocessed the dataset (train/test split, encoding if required, standard scaling).
- 2. Defined classifiers: Decision Tree, kNN, Logistic Regression.
- 3. Performed Manual Grid Search (loop over parameter combinations).
- 4. Performed GridSearchCV (built-in).

- 5. Evaluated the best models using test data.
- 6. Used a **Voting Classifier** to combine models.

Results and Analysis

HR Attrition Dataset

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Logistic Regression Best CV AUC: 0.8154
Evaluating Manual Models...
Decision Tree:
Accuracy: 0.8277
Precision: 0.4324
Recall: 0.2254
 F1: 0.2963
 ROC AUC: 0.6939
kNN:
Accuracy: 0.8413
 Precision: 0.5714
 Recall: 0.0563
 F1: 0.1026
 ROC AUC: 0.6773
Logistic Regression:
Accuracy: 0.8662
 Precision: 0.7308
 Recall: 0.2676
 F1: 0.3918
ROC AUC: 0.8057
 Precision: 1.0000
 Recall: 0.6620
 F1: 0.7966
 ROC AUC: 0.9997
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Logistic Regression Best CV AUC: 0.7532

Evaluating Built-in Models...

Decision Tree:
Accuracy: 0.8322
Precision: 0.4571
Recall: 0.2254
F1: 0.3019
ROC AUC: 0.7331

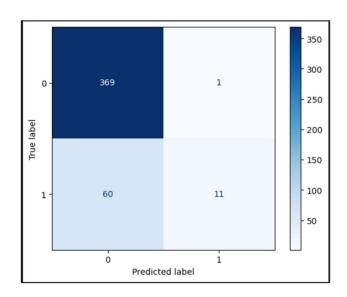
kNN:

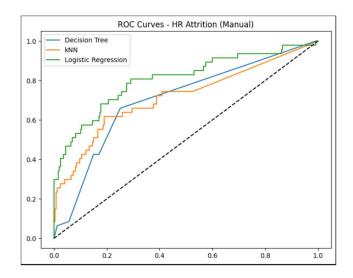
Accuracy: 0.8390 Precision: 0.5000 Recall: 0.2254 F1: 0.3107 ROC AUC: 0.7285

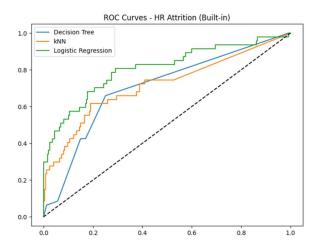
Logistic Regression: Accuracy: 0.8458 Precision: 1.0000 Recall: 0.0423 F1: 0.0811 ROC AUC: 0.7545

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Precision: 0.9167 Recall: 0.1549 F1: 0.2651 ROC AUC: 0.8828

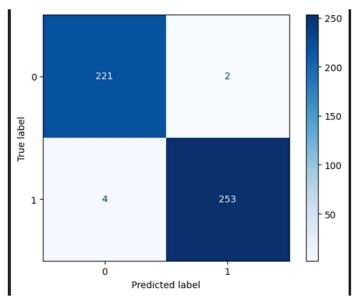






Wine Quality Dataset

Running Manual Grid Search... Decision Tree Best CV AUC: 0.7718 kNN Best CV AUC: 0.8613 Logistic Regression Best CV AUC: 0.8051 Evaluating Manual Models... Decision Tree: Accuracy: 0.7042 Precision: 0.7366 Recall: 0.6965 F1: 0.7160 ROC AUC: 0.7577 kNN: Accuracy: 0.7875 Precision: 0.7839 Recall: 0.8327 F1: 0.8075 ROC AUC: 0.8609 Logistic Regression: Accuracy: 0.7312 Precision: 0.7462 Recall: 0.7549 Precision: 0.9922 Recall: 0.9844 F1: 0.9883 ROC AUC: 0.9992



Running Built-in GridSearchCV... Decision Tree Best CV AUC: 0.7690

kNN Best CV AUC: 0.8604

Logistic Regression Best CV AUC: 0.8048

Evaluating Built-in Models...

Decision Tree:
Accuracy: 0.7271
Precision: 0.7716
Recall: 0.6965
F1: 0.7321
ROC AUC: 0.7927

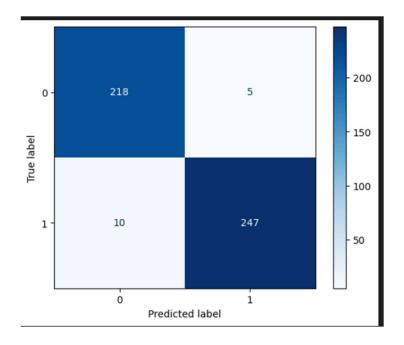
kNN:

Accuracy: 0.7854 Precision: 0.7895 Recall: 0.8171 F1: 0.8031 ROC AUC: 0.8690

Logistic Regression: Accuracy: 0.7417 Precision: 0.7628 Recall: 0.7510

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Precision: 0.9802 Recall: 0.9611 F1: 0.9705 ROC AUC: 0.9971



- Manual vs GridSearchCV: Both methods yielded similar results, but GridSearchCV was easier and less error-prone.
- **Dataset imbalance:** HR Attrition dataset had high accuracy but very low recall (failing to catch attrition cases). Logistic Regression had perfect precision but almost no recall.
- Wine Quality: More balanced dataset, models performed consistently better.
- **Voting Classifier:** Improved performance in both datasets, especially ROC AUC.

Conclusion

- Hyperparameter tuning is essential for achieving good model performance.
- GridSearchCV is more convenient and reliable than manual search.
- Ensemble methods like Voting Classifier improve robustness.
- Dataset imbalance (HR Attrition) can distort metrics, so metrics beyond accuracy (e.g., recall, ROC AUC) must be considered.