

# KEPLER EXOPLANETS CLASSIFIER

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### **BACKGROUND AND OVERVIEW**

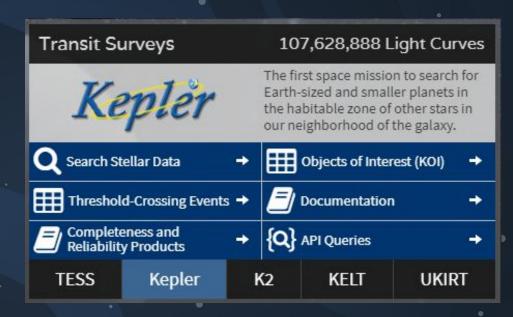
- The Kepler mission was designed to locate Earth sized planets by analyzing an object's transit data as it orbits a star
- These objects are classified as confirmed, false positive or candidate exoplanets.
- Candidate planets require additional research in order to classify. The goal of the model is to predict which candidates would likely be confirmed exoplanets so resources and focus can be directed towards them.



## **SOURCES AND DATA**

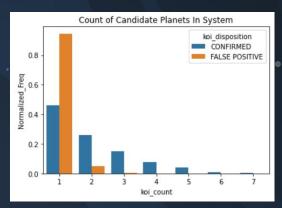
- NASA Exoplanet Archive
  - Kepler Objects of Interest Database
  - User friendly
  - Lots of documentation

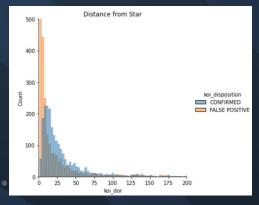
- Final Model Includes:
  - 33 features
  - 2900 False Positive Objects
  - 2200 Confirmed Planets
  - Random Forest Classifier

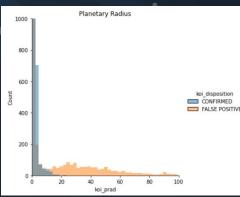


# **EXPLORATORY DATA ANALYSIS**

- Dropped any rows with missing data
- Several features contained many outliers
  - Used Robust Scaling when modeling to counteract
- Removed multicollinear features to help speed up modeling time
- Removed confounding features used in calculating disposition
- Top Features Include:
  - Planetary Radius
  - Distance from Star
  - Count of Planets in System







# **TUNED MODEL - TEST RESULTS**

	Models	Accuracy	F1 Score	Precision	Recall
0	Logistic Regression	0.8940	0.8944	0.8529	0.8976
2	Gaussian Naive Bayes	0.9087	0.9094	0.8413	0.9595
1	K Nearest Neighbors	0.9195	0.9200	0.8611	0.9595
7	Support Vector Machines	0.9372	0.9374	0.9027	0.9500
5	Gradient Boost	0.9549	0.9549	0.9452	0.9452
6	XG Boost	0.9578	0.9579	0.9374	0.9619
4	ADA Boost	0.9657	0.9656	0.9639	0.9524
3	Random Forest	0.9725	0.9725	0.9667	0.9667

- Top 3 models were very close in performance
- Could have improved scores if I allowed more time for tuning and training

### **MODELING - BALANCED FOR FI SCORE**

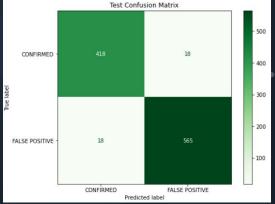
#### **BASE MODEL**

- Logistic Regression
- Train Results:
  - F1 Score = 91%
  - Precision = 91%
  - Recall = 91%
- Test Results:
  - F1 Score = 89%
  - Precision = 90%
  - Recall = 89%

#### FINAL MODEL

- Random Forest Classifier
- Train Results:
  - F1 Score = 99%
  - Precision = 99%
  - Recall = 99%
- Test Results:
  - F1 Score = 97%
  - Precision = 97%
  - Recall = 97%





# **CANDIDATE PREDICTIONS**

# ~1600 CANDIDATE OBJECTS

57% CONFIRMED

~ 912 POTENTIAL CONFIRMED PLANETS

43% FALSE POSITIVES

### **NEXT STEPS**

#### IMPROVE DOMAIN KNOWLEDGE

Consult with subject matter experts to improve models

#### **HABITABLE PLANETS**

Help identify potentially habitable planets

#### OTHER MISSIONS

Apply models to other exoplanet search missions

#### **ADAPT MODELS**

Utilizing different exoplanet searching techniques

# THANKYOU

https://github.com/NelGen/NG-NASA-Exoplanet-Classifier-Project

https://exoplanets.nasa.gov/