# Particle Collision Classification using Support Vector Machines

# Introduction

This notebook explores the application of Support Vector Machines (SVM) to classify particle collisions from the HIGGS dataset. The dataset contains simulated collision events, with each event either being a signal process producing Higgs bosons (class 1) or a background process (class 0).

#### **Dataset Overview**

The HIGGS dataset contains 28 features derived from particle physics measurements, including:

- Low-level features: Raw measurements like particle momentum (pT), pseudorapidity (eta), and azimuthal angle (phi)
- High-level features: Derived quantities like invariant masses of particle combinations

## **SVM Classification Approach**

We'll use Support Vector Machines with different kernel functions to classify these collision events:

- Linear kernel: For linearly separable data
- RBF (Gaussian) kernel: For non-linear decision boundaries
- Polynomial kernel: For capturing higher-order feature interactions
- Custom hybrid kernel: Combining multiple kernels to leverage different aspects of the data

The choice of kernel is crucial as it determines how the SVM algorithm maps the input features to a higher-dimensional space where the classes become separable. We'll experiment with various kernel parameters to optimize the classification performance.

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns

from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
from sklearn.feature_selection import SelectKBest, f_classif
```

## Reading the dataset

The dataset

The dataset HIGGs does not have the column headings, which means we need to set "header = None" so that we do not lose one data point when converting to pandas dataframe

# **Exploratory Data Analysis and Preprocessing**

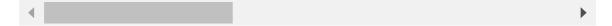
## **Dataset Sampling**

\*Stratified Sampling - Stratified random sampling is a method of sampling that involves the division of a population into smaller subgroups known as strata. In stratified random sampling, or stratification, the strata are formed based on members' shared attributes or characteristics. Stratified sampling is used to highlight differences among groups in a population. This is different from simple random sampling, which treats all members of a population as equal, with an equal likelihood of being sampled.

In the following commented code (using which initially the entire HIGGS dataset was contracted to smaller 1% set), we first group the instances by class and within them, sample 1% of points (essentially what stratified sampling does).

```
In [5]: # df = df.groupby('class').apply(lambda x: x.sample(frac=.01, random_state=42)).
# df.to_csv('HIGGS_smaller_updated.csv', index = False)
In [13]: df = pd.read_csv('HIGGS_smaller_updated.csv')
df
```

Out[13]:		class	lepton_pT	lepton_eta	lepton_phi	missing_energy_magnitude	missing_er
	0	0.0	0.795907	0.521993	1.266055	1.193820	
	1	0.0	0.439039	-0.246468	-1.633201	2.165616	
	2	0.0	0.792429	-0.225041	0.476488	0.216189	
	3	0.0	2.508689	0.605754	0.057012	1.908093	
	4	0.0	0.956040	-0.425679	0.380497	0.382192	
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	109996	1.0	0.534753	-1.201932	-0.766507	0.721336	
	109997	1.0	0.524138	1.794970	0.293383	0.789934	
	109998	1.0	0.971595	0.186948	-0.499616	1.675635	
	109999	1.0	0.649865	0.728474	-1.178214	2.513985	
	110000 rd	ows × 2	29 columns				



## **Constants**

The section below sets all the constants that might be required in the notebook.

```
In [14]: RANDOM_STATE = 42
y_col = "class"
```

# **Quick Feature Analysis**

Data Types

Verifying whether all the data points have numerical values (since the original data did not have header)

```
In [15]: df.dtypes
```

Out[15]: **0** 

class	float64
lepton_pT	float64
lepton_eta	float64
lepton_phi	float64
missing_energy_magnitude	float64
missing_energy_phi	float64
jet_1_pt	float64
jet_1_eta	float64
jet_1_phi	float64
jet_1_btag	float64
jet_2_pt	float64
jet_2_eta	float64
jet_2_phi	float64
jet_2_btag	float64
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jet_3_eta	float64
jet_3_phi	float64
jet_3_btag	float64
jet_4_pt	float64
jet_4_eta	float64
jet_4_phi	float64
jet_4_btag	float64
m_jj	float64
m_jjj	float64
m_lv	float64
m_jlv	float64
m_bb	float64
m_wbb	float64
m_wwbb	float64

dtype: object

# Missing Value Analysis

None of the columns have missing values, hence no need to perform any data imputations

In [16]: df.isna().sum()

Part2

Out[16]: 0 class 0 lepton\_pT 0 lepton\_eta 0 lepton\_phi 0 missing\_energy\_magnitude 0 missing\_energy\_phi 0 **jet\_1\_pt** 0 jet\_1\_eta 0 **jet\_1\_phi** 0 jet\_1\_btag 0 **jet\_2\_pt** 0 jet\_2\_eta 0 **jet\_2\_phi** 0 jet\_2\_btag 0 **jet\_3\_pt** 0 jet\_3\_eta 0 **jet\_3\_phi** 0 jet\_3\_btag 0 **jet\_4\_pt** 0 jet\_4\_eta 0 jet\_4\_phi 0 jet\_4\_btag 0 m\_jj 0 **m\_jjj** 0 **m\_lv** 0 **m\_jlv** 0 **m\_bb** 0

dtype: int64

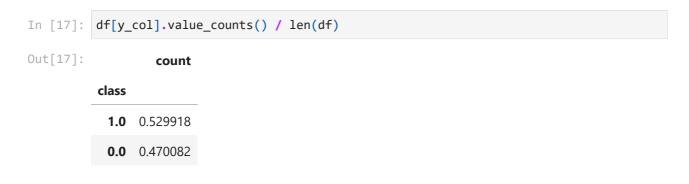
**Target Variable Analysis** 

 $m_wbb$ 

m\_wwbb 0

Class with value 1 represents SIGNAL (53% of the data), and Class with value 0 represents BACKGROUND (47% of the data)

Looks like there is very little imbalance in data.



dtype: float64

## Simple Statistcal Analysis

Using the describe function we can see some simple statistics of all the columns. Given there are so many columns, it is hard to see understand the distrubtion and what each columns represent. Hence we will then move to plots to understand better.

18]:	df.des	<pre>df.describe()</pre>							
•		class	lepton_pT	lepton_eta	lepton_phi	missing_energy_maç			
	count	110000.000000	110000.000000	110000.000000	110000.000000	110000			
	mean	0.529918	0.990136	-0.005788	0.001553	1			
	std	0.499106	0.566492	1.008337	1.005915	0			
	min	0.000000	0.274697	-2.433028	-1.742508	0			
	25%	0.000000	0.588740	-0.744166	-0.870266	0			
	50%	1.000000	0.851724	-0.006872	0.000971	0			
	75%	1.000000	1.233481	0.732370	0.875988	1			
	max	1.000000	8.170258	2.434868	1.743236	9			
	8 rows	× 29 columns							

# **Plots and Outlier Handling**

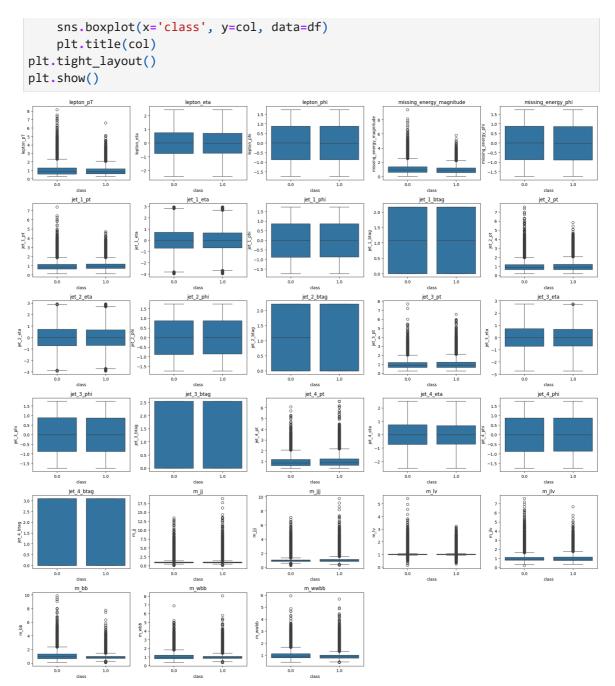
### **Histogram Plots**

Given all the fields are numerical, it makes sense to first see what the data distribution (histogram) looks like. We plot the histograms in different colors for different class to see if there is anything we can understand from the data.

```
In [19]:
                                           # Plot distributions using seaborn for better visualization
                                             total_columns = len(df.columns) - 1
                                             num_cols = 5
                                             num_rows = (total_columns // num_cols) + 1
                                             plt.figure(figsize=(30, 25))
                                             for i, col in enumerate(df.drop(columns=[y_col]).columns):
                                                                plt.subplot(num_rows, num_cols, i+1)
                                                                # Using seaborn's kdeplot for smoother distribution visualization
                                                                sns.histplot(data=df[df[y_col] == 1][col], color='blue', label='Class 1', fi
                                                                sns.histplot(data=df[df[y_col] == 0][col], color='orange', label='Class 0',
                                                                plt.title(col, fontsize=12)
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The plots tell us that within the features, an instance is classified almost uniformly. By this, it means that there are no "outstanding" features or feature values, that "prefer" one class over another. Thus, we can perform outlier removal techniques since removing the extreme points will not let us lose any categorizable information.

```
In [20]: # conditional boxplots of all the features with respect to the classes 0 and 1
plt.figure(figsize=(20, 20))
for i, col in enumerate(df.drop(columns=[y_col]).columns):
    plt.subplot(6, 5, i+1)
```



The box plots of the features conditional on the class show that the features have no charactersitic differences between the classes

We can also see that nearly half the features have values outside the whiskers of the box plots, but the classes are still almost uniformly distributed. Since these points are extreme points, we can remove them and continue.

We can apply outlier removal for the features that have more points around the median and very few outside the whiskers. The technique used will be Z-score. Using this, we find that the number of rows reduce from 110000 to 89387.

\*Z-score: Z-score is a statistical measurement that describes a value's relationship to the mean of a group of values. Z-score is measured in terms of standard deviations from the mean.

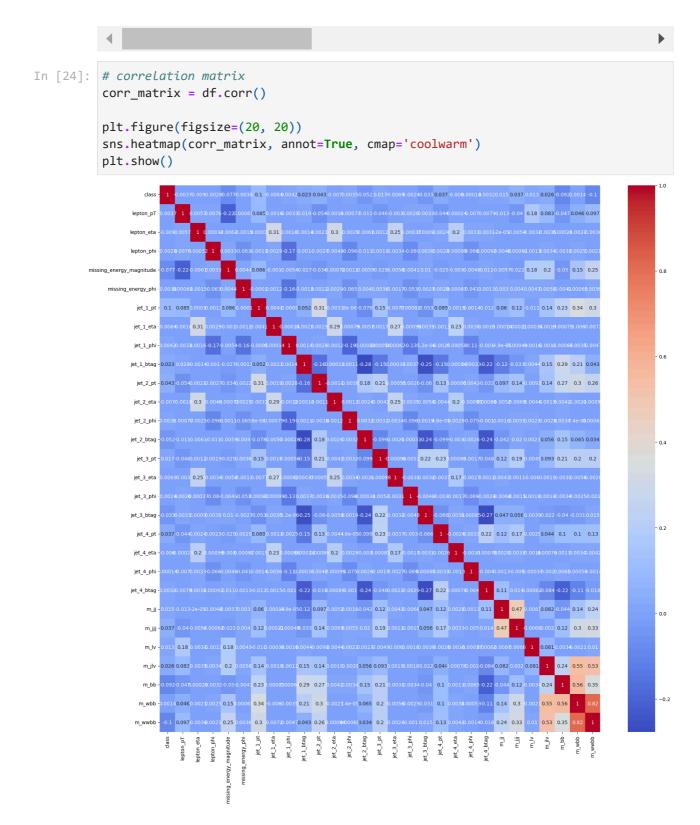
```
In [21]: skewed_columns = []
for col in df.columns:
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if 'btag' in col:
                  continue
              t = df[col].skew()
              if t > 1.5:
                  skewed columns.append(col)
          print(skewed_columns)
        ['lepton_pT', 'missing_energy_magnitude', 'jet_1_pt', 'jet_2_pt', 'jet_3_pt', 'je
        t_4_pt', 'm_jj', 'm_jjj', 'm_lv', 'm_jlv', 'm_bb', 'm_wbb', 'm_wwbb']
In [22]: # Function to remove outliers based on z-score
          def remove_outliers_zscore(df, column, threshold=3):
              z_scores = (df[column] - df[column].mean()) / df[column].std()
              return df[abs(z_scores) < threshold]</pre>
          # Apply outlier removal to these columns
          for col in skewed_columns:
              df = remove_outliers_zscore(df, col)
          df = df.reset_index(drop = True)
          df
Out[22]:
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         89387 rows × 29 columns
In [23]: # splitting the data into features and target
          X = df.drop(columns = ['class'])
          y = df[['class']]
          X.head()
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ut[23]:		lepton_pT	lepton_eta	lepton_phi	missing_energy_magnitude	missing_energy_phi	j
	0	0.795907	0.521993	1.266055	1.193820	-1.345527	1.
	1	0.439039	-0.246468	-1.633201	2.165616	-1.280181	1.
	2	0.792429	-0.225041	0.476488	0.216189	-0.653596	0.
	3	2.508689	0.605754	0.057012	1.908093	0.369292	1.
	4	0.956040	-0.425679	0.380497	0.382192	1.287647	1.

5 rows × 28 columns

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As evident in the correlation matrix, in general the features are not correlated with each other, but m\_wbb and m\_wwbb are highly correlated with each other which means we can drop one of them (choosing wbb arbitrarily)

```
In [25]: # drop the column m_wbb
X_reduced = pd.DataFrame(X, columns = X.drop(columns=['m_wbb']).columns)
# X_reduced.head()
```

# **Feature Engineering**

Feature Engineering for this project involves creating some new features to gain a few insights on how the features are affecting the classification. Here, the features that involve transverse momentum (pT), and the angles (eta, phi) have been added to create one new feature.

Another feature was added that combined 2 invariant masses m\_bb and m\_wwbb. We will see if these features add some improvement in the correlation or not.

```
In [26]: X_feat_eng = X_reduced.copy()

# adding the sum of the transverse momenta of the jets
X_feat_eng['sum_jet_pt'] = X_feat_eng['jet_1_pt'] + X_feat_eng['jet_2_pt'] + X_f

# adding the sum of the btag values of the jets
X_feat_eng['sum_jet_eta'] = X_feat_eng['jet_1_eta'] + X_feat_eng['jet_2_eta'] +
X_feat_eng['sum_jet_phi'] = X_feat_eng['jet_1_phi'] + X_feat_eng['jet_2_phi'] +

X_feat_eng['mass_combination'] = X_feat_eng['m_bb'] + X_feat_eng['m_wwbb']
X_feat_eng['missing_energy_lepton_diff'] = X_feat_eng['missing_energy_magnitude'
X_feat_eng.head()
```

Out[26]:	Out[26]: lepton_pT		lepton_eta	lepton_phi	missing_energy_magnitude	missing_energy_phi	j
	0	0.795907	0.521993	1.266055	1.193820	-1.345527	1.
	1	0.439039	-0.246468	-1.633201	2.165616	-1.280181	1.
	2	0.792429	-0.225041	0.476488	0.216189	-0.653596	0.
	3	2.508689	0.605754	0.057012	1.908093	0.369292	1.
	4	0.956040	-0.425679	0.380497	0.382192	1.287647	1.

5 rows × 32 columns

```
In [27]: # see correlation of new features with the target
    # create a temporary df to store only the new features and the target
    temp_df = X_feat_eng.iloc[:, 27:33]
    temp_df['class'] = y

corr_matrix = temp_df.corr()
```

```
plt.figure(figsize=(20, 20))
   sns.heatmap(corr_matrix, annot=True, cmap='coolwarm')
   plt.show()
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         sum_jet_pt
                            sum_jet_eta
                                                                  mass_combination
                                                                                   missing_energy_lepton_diff
```

In [28]: # the correlation seems to improve a little for sum\_jet\_pt and mass\_combination
# thus we can keep these features and drop the rest

X\_feat\_eng = X\_feat\_eng.drop(columns=['sum\_jet\_eta', 'sum\_jet\_phi', 'missing\_ene
 X\_feat\_eng.head()

Out[28]: lepton\_pT lepton\_eta lepton\_phi missing\_energy\_magnitude missing\_energy\_phi j 0 0.795907 0.521993 1.266055 1.193820 -1.345527 1. 1 0.439039 -0.246468 -1.633201 2.165616 -1.280181 1. 2 0.792429 -0.225041 0.476488 0.216189 -0.653596 0. 3 2.508689 0.605754 0.057012 1.908093 0.369292 1. 0.956040 -0.425679 0.380497 0.382192 1.287647 1.

5 rows × 29 columns

```
In [29]: # Apply log-transformation to the feautres having either "pt" or "m_" in their n
         log_transform_columns = [col for col in X_feat_eng.columns if (('pt' in col and
         #calculate the skewness of the columns
         skewness = X_feat_eng[log_transform_columns].apply(lambda x: x.skew())
         X_log_transformed = X_feat_eng.copy()
         X_log_transformed[log_transform_columns] = np.log1p(X_feat_eng[log_transform_col
         #calculate the skewness of the columns after log transformation
         skewness_after = X_log_transformed[log_transform_columns].apply(lambda x: x.skew
         print("Skewness before log transformation: \n", skewness)
         print("\nSkewness after log transformation: \n", skewness_after)
        Skewness before log transformation:
         jet_1_pt
                      0.881885
        jet 2 pt
                      0.832616
                      0.825316
        jet_3_pt
        jet_4_pt
                      0.981074
        m_jj
                      1.935039
        m_jjj
                      0.645414
                     2.455376
        m_1v
        m jlv
                     1.028096
        m bb
                      0.783329
                      0.734528
        m wwbb
        sum_jet_pt
                      0.774100
        dtype: float64
        Skewness after log transformation:
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                      0.358661
        jet_2_pt
                      0.343230
        jet_3_pt
                      0.353184
                      0.543047
        jet_4_pt
        m_jj
                      0.964680
        m_jjj
                      0.279852
                      2.311788
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        m jlv
        m bb
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                      0.480200
        m_wwbb
        sum_jet_pt
                      0.221756
```

dtype: float64

```
In [30]: # visualize the distributions of the features after the changes
          plt.figure(figsize=(30, 25))
          for i, col in enumerate(X_log_transformed.columns):
               plt.subplot(num_rows, num_cols, i+1)
               # Using seaborn's kdeplot for smoother distribution visualization
               sns.histplot(data=X_log_transformed[col], color='blue', label='Class 1', fil
               plt.title(col, fontsize=12)
              plt.legend()
          plt.tight_layout()
          plt.show()
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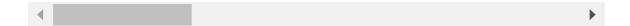
## **Data Normalization**

We will normalize the data such that mean is 0 and standard deviation is 1

Out[31]:

missing	missing_energy_magnitude	lepton_phi	lepton_eta	lepton_pT	•
8	8.938700e+04	8.938700e+04	8.938700e+04	8.938700e+04	count
	-1.310005e-16	-1.764692e-17	-1.399035e-17	-1.317954e-16	mean
	1.000000e+00	1.000000e+00	1.000000e+00	1.000000e+00	std
	-1.815803e+00	-1.734294e+00	-2.402162e+00	-1.413199e+00	min
	-7.419861e-01	-8.675218e-01	-7.263369e-01	-7.523984e-01	25%
	-1.540092e-01	-6.450224e-04	-2.202859e-03	-2.236805e-01	50%
	5.761204e-01	8.705380e-01	7.286807e-01	5.136500e-01	75%
	3.653865e+00	1.729591e+00	2.417041e+00	3.712374e+00	max

8 rows × 29 columns



#### **Feature Selection**

We will use the SelectKBest as our selection algorithm

\*SelectKBest: It is a filter-based feature selection method, which relies on statistical measures to score and rank the features. It uses statistical tests like chi-squared test, ANOVA F-test, or mutual information score. Then, it selects the K features with the highest scores to be included in the final feature subset.

```
In [32]: # using f_classif as the scoring function
         selector = SelectKBest(f_classif, k=20)
         X_new = selector.fit_transform(X_log_transformed, y)
         X_new = pd.DataFrame(X_new, columns=X_log_transformed.columns[selector.get_suppo
         # get the selected features
         selected_features = X_log_transformed.columns[selector.get_support()]
         selected_features
        /usr/local/lib/python3.10/dist-packages/sklearn/utils/validation.py:1339: DataCon
        versionWarning: A column-vector y was passed when a 1d array was expected. Please
        change the shape of y to (n_samples, ), for example using ravel().
          y = column_or_1d(y, warn=True)
Out[32]: Index(['lepton_eta', 'missing_energy_magnitude', 'jet_1_pt', 'jet_1_eta',
                 'jet_1_btag', 'jet_2_pt', 'jet_2_eta', 'jet_2_btag', 'jet_3_pt',
                 'jet_3_eta', 'jet_3_btag', 'jet_4_pt', 'm_jj', 'm_jjj', 'm_lv', 'm_jlv',
                 'm_bb', 'm_wwbb', 'sum_jet_pt', 'mass_combination'],
               dtype='object')
```

# **Model Training**

```
In [33]:
         !pip install scikit-optimize
        Collecting scikit-optimize
          Downloading scikit_optimize-0.10.2-py2.py3-none-any.whl.metadata (9.7 kB)
        Requirement already satisfied: joblib>=0.11 in /usr/local/lib/python3.10/dist-pac
        kages (from scikit-optimize) (1.4.2)
        Collecting pyaml>=16.9 (from scikit-optimize)
          Downloading pyaml-24.9.0-py3-none-any.whl.metadata (11 kB)
        Requirement already satisfied: numpy>=1.20.3 in /usr/local/lib/python3.10/dist-pa
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        Requirement already satisfied: scipy>=1.1.0 in /usr/local/lib/python3.10/dist-pac
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        ist-packages (from scikit-optimize) (1.5.2)
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        packages (from scikit-optimize) (24.1)
        Requirement already satisfied: PyYAML in /usr/local/lib/python3.10/dist-packages
        (from pyaml>=16.9->scikit-optimize) (6.0.2)
        Requirement already satisfied: threadpoolctl>=3.1.0 in /usr/local/lib/python3.10/
        dist-packages (from scikit-learn>=1.0.0->scikit-optimize) (3.5.0)
        Downloading scikit_optimize-0.10.2-py2.py3-none-any.whl (107 kB)
                                                  -- 107.8/107.8 kB 3.2 MB/s eta 0:00:00
        Downloading pyaml-24.9.0-py3-none-any.whl (24 kB)
        Installing collected packages: pyaml, scikit-optimize
        Successfully installed pyaml-24.9.0 scikit-optimize-0.10.2
In [34]: import time
         from sklearn.base import clone
         from sklearn.model_selection import cross_validate
         from sklearn.svm import LinearSVC, SVC
         from sklearn.ensemble import BaggingClassifier
         from sklearn.model selection import GridSearchCV
         from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score, train_test_split
         from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, precision_score, recall_score, f1_sc
         from sklearn.base import BaseEstimator, ClassifierMixin
         from skopt import BayesSearchCV
         from skopt.space import Real, Categorical, Integer
         import warnings
         warnings.filterwarnings("ignore")
         from sklearn.exceptions import DataConversionWarning
         warnings.filterwarnings(action='ignore', category=DataConversionWarning)
         Determining the Scoring metrics on which the results will be found.
         Following is a dictionary that maps the metric to the corresponding library function
         SCORING METRICS = {
In [35]:
              'accuracy': accuracy_score,
```

'precision': precision\_score,

'recall': recall\_score,

'f1': f1\_score,

```
'roc_auc': roc_auc_score
}
```

Splitting the data into train and test sets

```
In [36]: # split the data into train and test
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X_new, y, test_size=0.2, ran
print("Train shape: ", X_train.shape)
print("Test shape: ", X_test.shape)
Train shape: (71509, 20)
```

Test shape: (17878, 20)

Defining 3 functions:

- 1. run\_cross\_validation(): It uses the built-in function cross\_validate instead of cross\_val\_score because we can pass a list of keys that represent the scoring metrics (instead of just 1 metric)
- 2. run\_grid\_search(): Performs grid search on the parameter\_grid and the model that is passed to it as a parameter. We clone the model to \_model, since there may be scenarios where the model gets updated during the execution which may affect the outcome.
- 3. run\_bayesian\_optimzation\_search(): a similar function that performs bayesian optimization on the search\_space provided and the model passed.

```
In [37]: def run_cross_validation(model, X_train, y_train):
             _model = clone(model)
             cv results = cross validate( model, X train, y train, cv=5, scoring = list(S
             avg_cv_results = {}
             for key in cv results:
                 avg_cv_results[f'avg_{key.replace("test", "val")}'] = np.mean(cv_results
             return avg_cv_results
         def run_grid_search(model, X_train, y_train, params, scoring):
             _model = clone(model)
             grid_search_model = GridSearchCV(estimator=_model, param_grid=params, cv=5,
             grid search model.fit(X train, y train)
             grid search results = []
             for params in grid_search_model.cv_results_['params']:
                 data = \{\}
                 for param in params:
                     data[param] = params[param]
                 for key in SCORING METRICS:
                     data[f'mean_val_{key}'] = grid_search_model.cv_results_[f'mean_test_
                 data[f'mean_fit_time'] = grid_search_model.cv_results_['mean_fit_time'][
                 data[f'mean_score_time'] = grid_search_model.cv_results_['mean_score_tim
```

```
grid_search_results.append(data)
    return grid_search_model, grid_search_results
def run_bayesian_optimzation_search(model, X_train, y_train, params, scoring):
    _model = clone(model)
    bayes_search_model = BayesSearchCV(estimator=_model, search_spaces=params, d
    bayes_search_model.fit(X_train, y_train)
   bayes_search_results = []
    i = 0
    for params in bayes_search_model.cv_results_['params']:
        data = \{\}
        for param in params:
            data[param] = params[param]
        for key in SCORING_METRICS:
            data[f'mean_val_{key}'] = bayes_search_model.cv_results_[f'mean_test
        data[f'mean_fit_time'] = bayes_search_model.cv_results_['mean_fit_time']
        data[f'mean_score_time'] = bayes_search_model.cv_results_['mean_score_ti
        i += 1
        bayes_search_results.append(data)
    return bayes_search_model, bayes_search_results
def evaluate_model_predictions(y_true, y_pred):
   test_results = {}
   for key in SCORING_METRICS:
        test_results[key] = SCORING_METRICS[key](y_true, y_pred)
    return test results
```

#### **Linear SVM**

Using the LinearSVC function to perform SVM classification with linear kernel and using cross\_validation to evaluate the performance

```
In [38]: linear_svm = LinearSVC(random_state = RANDOM_STATE)

cv_results = run_cross_validation(linear_svm, X_train, y_train)
print("Cross Validation Evaluation:")
display(pd.DataFrame([cv_results]))

print("Avg Validation Score:", cv_results['avg_val_accuracy'])
```

Cross Validation Evaluation:

 avg\_fit\_time
 avg\_score\_time
 avg\_val\_accuracy
 avg\_val\_f1
 avg\_val\_precision
 avg\_val\_record

 0
 0.807773
 0.193984
 0.632662
 0.694825
 0.631208
 0.772

Avg Validation Score: 0.6326616272231839

## Scalability and Efficiency

LinearSVC is a relatively fast functionality. However if we use SVC with kernel='linear', it takes a lot of time. This is why there are methods such as Stochastic Gradient Descent, or Mini-batch learning that train the models very quickly. For comparison, we shall see the difference in training times for SGD and LinearSVC.

```
In [39]: # perform SGD with hinge loss

from sklearn.linear_model import SGDClassifier

sgd_clf = SGDClassifier(loss='hinge', random_state=RANDOM_STATE)

cv_results = run_cross_validation(sgd_clf, X_train, y_train)
print("Cross Validation Evaluation:")
display(pd.DataFrame([cv_results]))

print("Avg Validation Score:", cv_results['avg_val_accuracy'])
```

Cross Validation Evaluation:

```
        avg_fit_time
        avg_score_time
        avg_val_accuracy
        avg_val_f1
        avg_val_precision
        avg_val_re

        0
        1.274936
        0.205667
        0.628173
        0.691768
        0.627427
        0.77
```

```
→
```

Avg Validation Score: 0.6281726770786247

#### Other Kernels

Due to less computation power and high training time taken by other kernels when used with SVC, only a small number of training examples had to be used (5% of even the  $1\% \sim 3k-4K$  data points).

```
In [40]: X_train_small = X_train.sample(frac=0.03, random_state=RANDOM_STATE)
y_train_small = y_train.loc[X_train_small.index]
```

#### Polynomial Kernel SVM

The polynomial kernel maps input data points to a higher-dimensional feature space using polynomial functions. In this new space, a hyperplane can separate the data points into classes, which corresponds to a non-linear decision boundary in the original input space. Thus, a polynomial kernel is used to model non-linear relationships between input features.

```
In [41]: poly_svc = SVC(random_state = RANDOM_STATE, kernel = 'poly')

param_grid = {
    'degree': [2, 3, 4],
}

grid_search_model, cv_results = run_grid_search(poly_svc, X_train_small, y_train_small)
```

```
print("Grid Search Evaluation:")
display(pd.DataFrame(cv_results))

print("Best Model:")
display(grid_search_model.best_estimator_)

print("Best Validation Score:")
print(grid_search_model.best_score_)

cv_results_poly = cv_results
```

Grid Search Evaluation:

	degree	mean_val_accuracy	mean_val_f1	mean_val_precision	mean_val_recall	mean_va			
0	2	0.627972	0.709691	0.626434	0.818828				
1	3	0.606061	0.701123	0.605987	0.832179				
2	4	0.589277	0.699401	0.589444	0.859917				
4						•			
	Best Model:								

```
SVC SVC(degree=2, kernel='poly', random_state=42)
```

Best Validation Score: 0.627972027972028

```
In [42]: poly_svc = SVC(random_state = RANDOM_STATE, kernel = 'poly', degree = 2)

param_grid = {
        'C': [1, 10, 100, 1000]
}

grid_search_model, cv_results = run_grid_search(poly_svc, X_train_small, y_train

print("Grid Search Evaluation:")
        display(pd.DataFrame(cv_results))

print("Best Model:")
        display(grid_search_model.best_estimator_)

print("Best Validation Score:")
        print(grid_search_model.best_score_)

cv_results_poly_c = cv_results
```

	C	mean_val_accuracy	mean_val_f1	mean_val_precision	mean_val_recall	mean_val_r
0	1	0.627972	0.709691	0.626434	0.818828	0.
1	10	0.626573	0.687089	0.643020	0.738297	0.
2	100	0.621911	0.678522	0.643441	0.718139	0.
3	1000	0.624709	0.678319	0.647930	0.712264	0.
4						<b>&gt;</b>
Be	st Mod	lel:				
•		S	VC	<b>i</b> ?		
SV	C(C=1,	degree=2, kerne	l='poly', ra	andom_state=42)		

Best Validation Score: 0.627972027972028

#### **RBF Kernel SVM**

The RBF (Radial Basis Function) kernel function calculates the similarity between two points,  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ , by computing the squared Euclidean distance between them. The kernel's value decreases with distance. It is used to deal with overlapping data. It behaves like a weighted nearest neighbor model, where the closest observations have the most influence on how a new observation is classified.

```
In [43]: rbf_svc = SVC(random_state = RANDOM_STATE, kernel = 'rbf')

param_grid = {
        'gamma': [0.01, 0.1, 1, 10],
}

grid_search_model, cv_results = run_grid_search(rbf_svc, X_train_small, y_train_
print("Grid Search Evaluation:")
display(pd.DataFrame(cv_results))

print("Best Model:")
display(grid_search_model.best_estimator_)

print("Best Validation Score:")
print(grid_search_model.best_score_)

cv_results_rbf_gamma = cv_results
```

	gamma	mean_val_accurac	y mean_val_f	1 mean_val_precisio	n mean_val_recall	mean_va	
0	0.01	0.63869	5 0.72186	7 0.63081	4 0.843961		
1	0.10	0.66153	8 0.71784	8 0.66848	5 0.775159		
2	1.00	0.55571	1 0.71441	3 0.55571	1.000000		
3	10.00	0.55571	1 0.71441	3 0.55571	1 1.000000		
4						•	
Be	st Model		A 0				
▼		SVC					
SV	C(gamma=	-0.1, random_sta	ate=42)				
		ation Score: 15384616					
#	# seeing	the effect of C	on rbf kerne	l by keeping gamma	fixed to the bes	st value	
r	rbf_svc =	= SVC(random_stat	ce = RANDOM_S	TATE, kernel = 'rb	f', gamma = 0.1)		
<pre>rbf_svc = SVC(random_state = RANDOM_STATE, kernel = 'rbf', gamma = 0.1) param_grid = {</pre>							
'C': [0.1, 1, 10, 100], }							
٤	grid_sean	rch_model, cv_res	sults = run_g	rid_search(rbf_svc	, X_train_small,	y_train_	
	•	rid Search Evalua od.DataFrame(cv_r	•				
	•	est Model:") grid_search_model	.best_estima	tor_)			
	•	est Validation So id_search_model.b	•				
<pre>print(grid_search_model.best_score_)</pre>							
•	cv_result	cs_rbf_c = cv_res	sults				
		cs_rbf_c = cv_res	sults				
	id Searc	h Evaluation:		mean_val_precision	mean_val_recall	mean_val_	
(	id Searc	h Evaluation:		mean_val_precision  0.559179	mean_val_recall 0.994972	<b>mean_val_</b> . 0	
Gr	rid Searc	h Evaluation:	mean_val_f1				
Gr	cid Searc	h Evaluation: nean_val_accuracy  0.561305	mean_val_f1 0.715969	0.559179	0.994972	0	
Gr 0 1	0.1	h Evaluation: nean_val_accuracy 0.561305 0.661538	mean_val_f1  0.715969  0.717848	0.559179	0.994972 0.775159	0	
Gr 0 1 2	0.1 1.0	h Evaluation: nean_val_accuracy 0.561305 0.661538 0.637762	mean_val_f1  0.715969  0.717848  0.682676	0.559179 0.668485 0.665477	0.994972 0.775159 0.701375	0	
Gr 0 1 2 3	0.1 1.0	h Evaluation: nean_val_accuracy 0.561305 0.661538 0.637762 0.629837	mean_val_f1  0.715969  0.717848  0.682676	0.559179 0.668485 0.665477	0.994972 0.775159 0.701375	0 0	
Gr 0 1 2 3	0.1 1.0 10.0 100.0	h Evaluation: nean_val_accuracy 0.561305 0.661538 0.637762 0.629837	mean_val_f1  0.715969  0.717848  0.682676	0.559179 0.668485 0.665477	0.994972 0.775159 0.701375	0	

Best Validation Score: 0.6615384615384616

#### **Custom Kernel SVM**

So far, the RBF kernel outperforms the other kernels. This justified creating a hybrid kernel with one part as rbf and the other as linear.

Now, we will create a custom kernel by combining svm with rbf kernel and linear kernel. This hybrid kernel performs the best out of all the models.

https://scikit-learn.org/stable/developers/develop.html#rolling-your-own-estimator

```
In [45]: from sklearn.utils.multiclass import unique_labels
         # Custom hybrid kernel combining RBF and Linear
         def hybrid_kernel(X, Y, alpha=0.5, beta=0.5, gamma=0.1):
             # Ensure inputs are NumPy arrays
             X = np.array(X)
             Y = np.array(Y)
             # RBF component
             rbf_part = np.exp(-gamma * np.sum((X[:, None, :] - Y[None, :, :]) ** 2, axis
             # Linear component
             linear_part = np.dot(X, Y.T)
             # Weighted combination of RBF and Linear
             return alpha * rbf_part + beta * linear_part
         class HybridKernelSVC(ClassifierMixin, BaseEstimator):
             def __init__(self, C=1.0, alpha=0.5, beta=0.5, gamma=0.1):
                 self.C = C
                 self.alpha = alpha
                 self.beta = beta
                 self.gamma = gamma
                 self.svc = None
             def _kernel_wrapper(self, X1, X2):
                 return hybrid_kernel(X1, X2, alpha = self.alpha, beta = self.beta, gamma
             def fit(self, X, y):
                 self.classes_ = unique_labels(y)
                 self.X_ = X
                 self.y_=y
                 self.svc = SVC(kernel=self._kernel_wrapper, C=self.C, random_state = RAN
                 self.svc.fit(X, y)
                 return self
             def predict(self, X):
                 return self.svc.predict(X)
             def decision_function(self, X):
                 return self.svc.decision function(X)
In [46]: hyb_svm = HybridKernelSVC()
```

```
cv_results = run_cross_validation(hyb_svm, X_train_small, y_train_small)
print("Cross Validation Evaluation:")
display(pd.DataFrame([cv_results]))
print("Avg Validation Score:", cv_results['avg_val_accuracy'])
```

Cross Validation Evaluation:

 avg\_fit\_time
 avg\_score\_time
 avg\_val\_accuracy
 avg\_val\_f1
 avg\_val\_precision
 avg\_val\_record

 0
 0.705823
 0.290794
 0.672727
 0.729431
 0.674579
 0.794

```
→
```

Avg Validation Score: 0.6727272727272727

The hybrid takes quite some time when all parameters are inserted in the grid (apha, beta, gamma) since it goes through all the combinations. That is why, gamma is kept to default and best performing value (with respect to rbf, that is, 0.1) and the relation is seen jsut with alpha and beta

	alpha	beta	mean_val_accuracy	mean_val_f1	mean_val_precision	mean_val_recall	me
0	0.1	0.01	0.647086	0.728780	0.636182	0.853205	
1	0.1	0.10	0.644755	0.722459	0.638320	0.832239	
2	0.1	1.00	0.654079	0.727383	0.647063	0.830547	
3	1.0	0.01	0.660140	0.714266	0.669923	0.765100	
4	1.0	0.10	0.660140	0.713808	0.670500	0.763426	
5	1.0	1.00	0.668531	0.720860	0.677172	0.770979	
6	10.0	0.01	0.640559	0.684942	0.668206	0.703048	
7	10.0	0.10	0.643357	0.686313	0.672048	0.702208	
8	10.0	1.00	0.643823	0.686185	0.673129	0.700527	
4							•
Be	st Mod	el:					
•		Hybri	dKernelSVC	<b>i</b>			

HybridKernelSVC(alpha=1, beta=1)

Best Validation Score: 0.6685314685314685

Here we will fix alpha and beta found before and vary C.

```
In [48]: hybrid_kernel_svc = HybridKernelSVC(alpha = 1, beta = 0.01, gamma = 0.1)
         param_grid = {
             'C': [0.1, 1, 10],
         grid_search_model, cv_results = run_grid_search(hybrid_kernel_svc, X_train_small
         print("Grid Search Evaluation:")
         with pd.option_context('display.max_rows', None):
             display(pd.DataFrame(cv_results))
         print("Best Model:")
         display(grid_search_model.best_estimator_)
         print("Best Validation Score:")
         print(grid_search_model.best_score_)
         cv_results_hybrid_c = cv_results
```

	C	mean_val_accuracy	mean_val_f1	mean_val_precision	mean_val_recall	mean_val_rd			
0	0.1	0.618182	0.734269	0.598607	0.949675	0.6			
1	1.0	0.660140	0.714266	0.669923	0.765100	0.7			
2	10.0	0.643357	0.686313	0.672048	0.702208	0.6			
4						•			
Be	st Mo	del:							
•		HybridKerne	1SVC	1					
Ну	HybridKernelSVC(C=1, alpha=1, beta=0.01)								
	Best Validation Score: 0.6601398601398601								

# Hyperparameter tuning

Performing Bayesian Optimization on the best performing model (should have been hybrid, but have to use RBF, as mentioned above).

	С	gamma	mean_val_	accuracy	mean_val_f1	mean_val_precision	mean_val_reca	
0	0.210901	0.040609		0.644755	0.724091	0.636991	0.83894	
1	0.114192	0.057753		0.643823	0.723779	0.636128	0.83979	
2	0.285972	0.241828		0.651748	0.727910	0.643412	0.83811	
3	3.731244	0.317200		0.662471	0.717515	0.670163	0.77264	
4	1.069017	0.011402		0.653147	0.730361	0.642840	0.84565	
5	1.898417	0.159895		0.670396	0.723550	0.677320	0.77685	
6	6.395840	0.045505		0.662937	0.710482	0.679791	0.74411	
7	0.211967	0.174946		0.648019	0.725567	0.640233	0.83727	
8	3.913899	0.049695		0.668998	0.718428	0.681268	0.76005	
9	2.507596	2.520417		0.643357	0.709574	0.647966	0.78438	
<b>◀</b> Be	st Model:						<b>&gt;</b>	
•			Hybr	idKernel	SVC	ı		
Ну	bridKerne	elsvc(c=1	.89841749	42761238	, gamma=0.1	.598951682624043)		
Test Data Evaluation:								
	accuracy	f1	precision	recall	roc_auc			
0	0.650129	0.701703	0.651408	0.760413	0.640234			

# **Sensitivity Analysis**

Now we will plot the cv\_results of different kernels and see how the SVM model performs for different values of the hyperparameter.

```
In [50]: # plot the accuracy vs parameter graphs for different cv results stored before
         def plot_cv_results(cv_results, param_name, param_values, title):
             plt.figure(figsize=(15, 5))
             # print(cv_results)
             # print(param_values)
             for key in SCORING METRICS:
                 plt.plot(param_values, [result[f'mean_val_{key}'] for result in cv_resul
             plt.xscale('log')
             plt.xlabel(param_name)
             plt.ylabel("Score")
             plt.title(title)
             plt.legend()
             plt.show()
         # plot the results for the polynomial kernel
         plot_cv_results(cv_results_poly, 'degree', [2, 3, 4], 'Polynomial Kernel - Degree'
         plot_cv_results(cv_results_poly_c, 'C', [1, 10, 100, 1000], 'Polynomial Kernel (
```

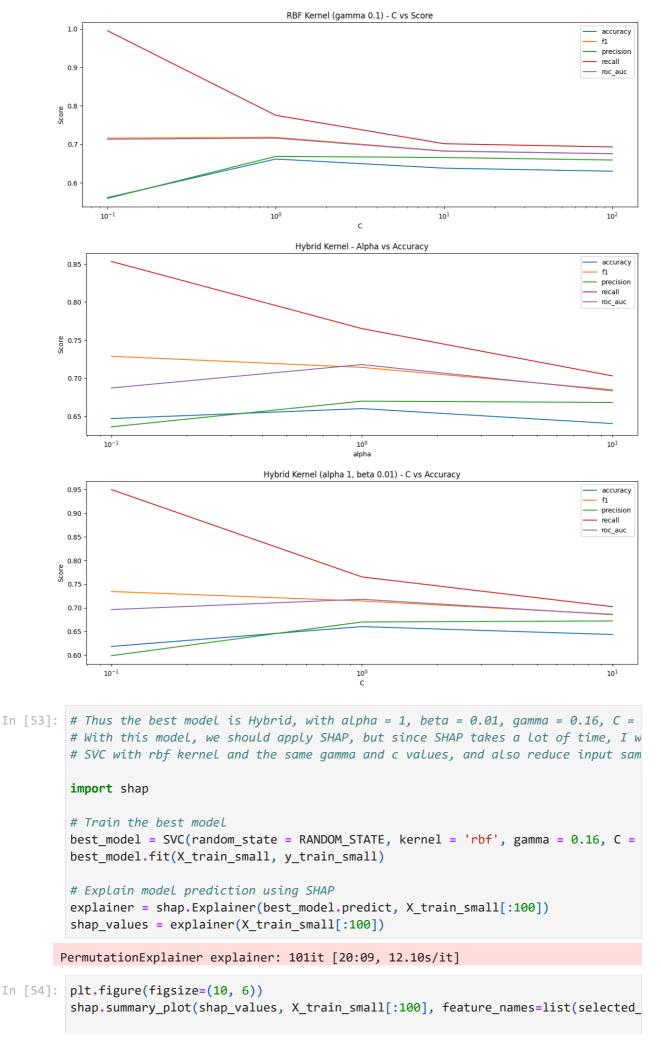
```
# plot the results for the rbf kernel
  plot_cv_results(cv_results_rbf_gamma, 'gamma', [0.01, 0.1, 1, 10], 'RBF Kernel
  plot_cv_results(cv_results_rbf_c, 'C', [0.1, 1, 10, 100], 'RBF Kernel (gamma 0.1
  # plot the results for the hybrid kernel for beta = 0.01
  plot_cv_results(list(filter(lambda x: x["beta"] == 0.01, cv_results_hybrid)), 'a
  plot_cv_results(cv_results_hybrid_c, 'C', [0.1, 1, 10], 'Hybrid Kernel (alpha 1,
                                               Polynomial Kernel - Degree vs Score

    accuracy

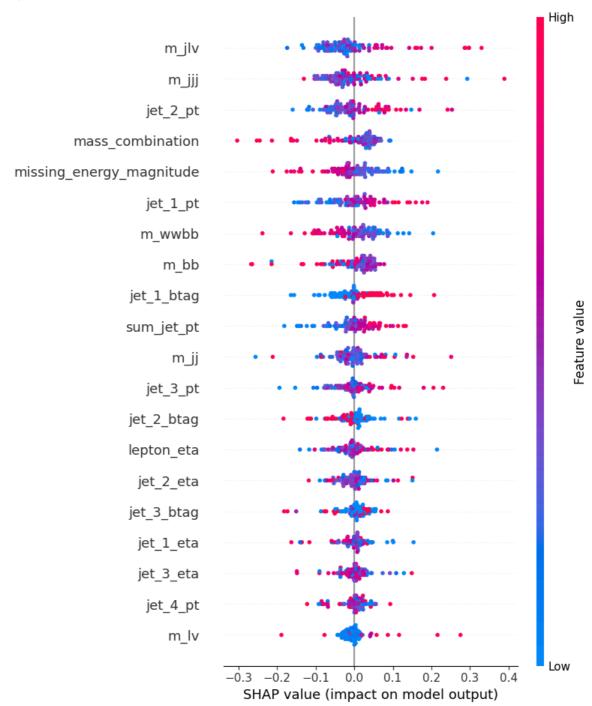
 0.85
                                                          — precision
                                                           recall
 0.80
                                                          - roc_auc
 0.75
 0.70
 0.65
 0.60
        2 × 10<sup>0</sup>
                                                                                                              4 × 10<sup>0</sup>
                                               Polynomial Kernel (deg 2) - C vs Score
 0.825
                                                                                                              accuracy
 0.800

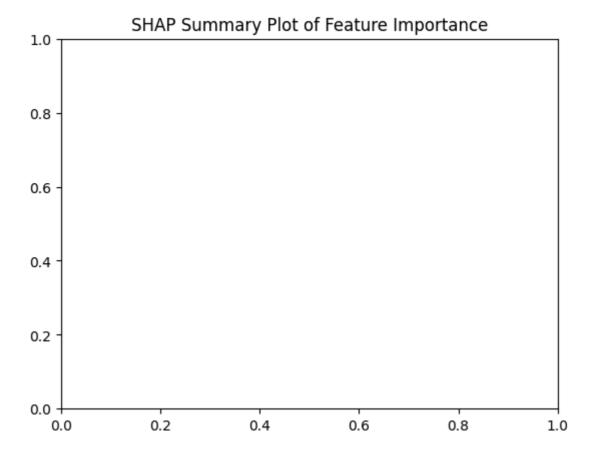
    precision

                                                                                                              recall
 0.775
                                                                                                             — roc_auc
 0.750
0.725
 0.700
 0.675
 0.650
 0.625
          10<sup>0</sup>
                                            10<sup>1</sup>
                                                                              10<sup>2</sup>
                                                                                                               10<sup>3</sup>
                                                 RBF Kernel - Gamma vs Score
 1.0
         accuracy
         precision
         recall
 0.9
 0.8
 0.7
 0.6
 0.5
        10-2
                                          10-1
                                                                             10<sup>0</sup>
                                                                                                               10<sup>1</sup>
                                                           gamma
```









```
In [57]: rf_resultX = pd.DataFrame(shap_values.values, columns=list(selected_features))
vals = np.abs(rf_resultX.values).mean(0)
shap_importance = pd.DataFrame(list(zip(list(selected_features), vals)), columns shap_importance.sort_values(by=['feature_importance_vals'], ascending=False, inp shap_importance
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Out[57]:

	col_name	feature_importance_vals
15	m_jlv	0.064746
13	m_jjj	0.053758
5	jet_2_pt	0.051992
19	mass_combination	0.050558
1	missing_energy_magnitude	0.050442
2	jet_1_pt	0.050413
17	m_wwbb	0.048337
16	m_bb	0.043683
4	jet_1_btag	0.040879
18	sum_jet_pt	0.039004
12	m_jj	0.037858
8	jet_3_pt	0.037196
7	jet_2_btag	0.033842
0	lepton_eta	0.033438
6	jet_2_eta	0.028383
10	jet_3_btag	0.027258
3	jet_1_eta	0.026033
9	jet_3_eta	0.025246
11	jet_4_pt	0.022904
14	m_lv	0.022537

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