**GST Analytics Hackathon – Citation Report**

**Relevant Work and Libraries Cited:**

1. **Scikit-learn (Pedregosa et al., 2011):**

The scikit-learn library was extensively used for implementing machine learning models and preprocessing techniques, including the **IterativeImputer** and model evaluation metrics such as **Accuracy**, **Precision**, **Recall**, **F1 Score**, **AUC-ROC**, and **Log Loss**. This library was also utilized for building the **VotingClassifier** and **StackingClassifier** ensemble models.

* Citation: Pedregosa et al., "Scikit-learn: Machine Learning in Python," Journal of Machine Learning Research, 12, pp. 2825-2830, 2011.

1. **XGBoost (Chen & Guestrin, 2016):**

**XGBoost** was used as one of the primary gradient-boosting models for classification. The model demonstrated impressive performance and was tuned using the **Optuna** optimization framework.

* Citation: Chen, T. & Guestrin, C., "XGBoost: A Scalable Tree Boosting System," In Proceedings of the 22nd ACM SIGKDD International Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (KDD '16), pp. 785–794, 2016.

1. **LightGBM (Ke et al., 2017):**

**LightGBM** was employed as another gradient-boosting model. It was selected for its efficiency in handling large datasets and was optimized for better model performance using **Optuna**.

* Citation: Ke, G. et al., "LightGBM: A Highly Efficient Gradient Boosting Decision Tree," In Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), pp. 3146–3154, 2017.

1. **Optuna (Akiba et al., 2019):**

**Optuna** was used for hyperparameter optimization in both XGBoost and LightGBM models. This framework efficiently searched for optimal hyperparameters to improve the performance of each model.

* Citation: Akiba, T. et al., "Optuna: A Next-generation Hyperparameter Optimization Framework," In Proceedings of the 25th ACM SIGKDD International Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (KDD '19), pp. 2623–2631, 2019.

1. **imbalanced-learn (Lemaître, et al., 2017):**

The **imbalanced-learn** library was used for applying **SMOTE** (Synthetic Minority Over-sampling Technique) to address the class imbalance in the dataset, which generated synthetic samples for the minority class and improved model performance in classification tasks.

* Citation: Lemaître, G., Nogueira, F., & Aridas, C. K. (2017). "Imbalanced-learn: A Python Toolbox to Tackle the Curse of Imbalanced Datasets in Machine Learning." Journal of Machine Learning Research, 18(17), pp. 1-5.

1. **SMOTE (Chawla et al., 2002):**

**SMOTE (Synthetic Minority Over-sampling Technique)** was applied to address the class imbalance issue in the dataset. This technique generated synthetic samples of the minority class, leading to improved model performance, especially in Recall and Precision.

* Citation: Chawla, N. et al., "SMOTE: Synthetic Minority Over-sampling Technique," Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research, 16, pp. 321-357, 2002.

**7. Matplotlib and Seaborn:**

These libraries were used for data visualization throughout the analysis, including plotting performance metrics, confusion matrices, and calibration plots.

* Citation: Hunter, J. D., "Matplotlib: A 2D Graphics Environment," Computing in Science & Engineering, 9(3), pp. 90-95, 2007.

**8. Pandas (McKinney, 2010):**

**Pandas** was utilized for data manipulation, including handling missing values, merging datasets, and preparing data for model input.

* Citation: McKinney, W., "Data Structures for Statistical Computing in Python," Proceedings of the 9th Python in Science Conference (SciPy), pp. 56-61, 2010.

**9. NumPy (Oliphant, 2006):**

**NumPy** was used for handling numerical data and performing operations on arrays, essential in preparing the data for machine learning models.

* Citation: Oliphant, T., "A Guide to NumPy," USA: Trelgol Publishing, 2006.

**Plagiarism Declaration:**

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