# Applications of Neural Networks for Anomalous Energy Consumption Detection

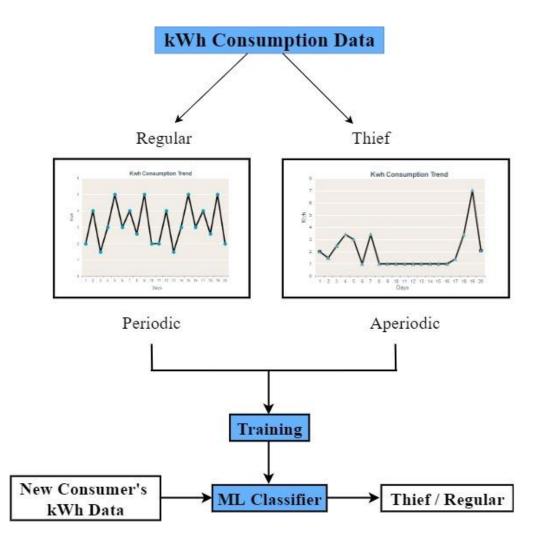
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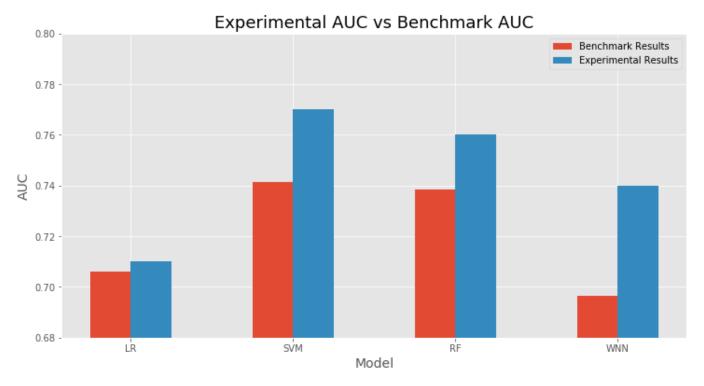
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- Algorithms:

   Logistic Regression,
   Random Forest,
   Support Vector Machine,
   Wide Neural Network
- Results:RF, WNN > SVM >> LR



Results as of midyear evaluation

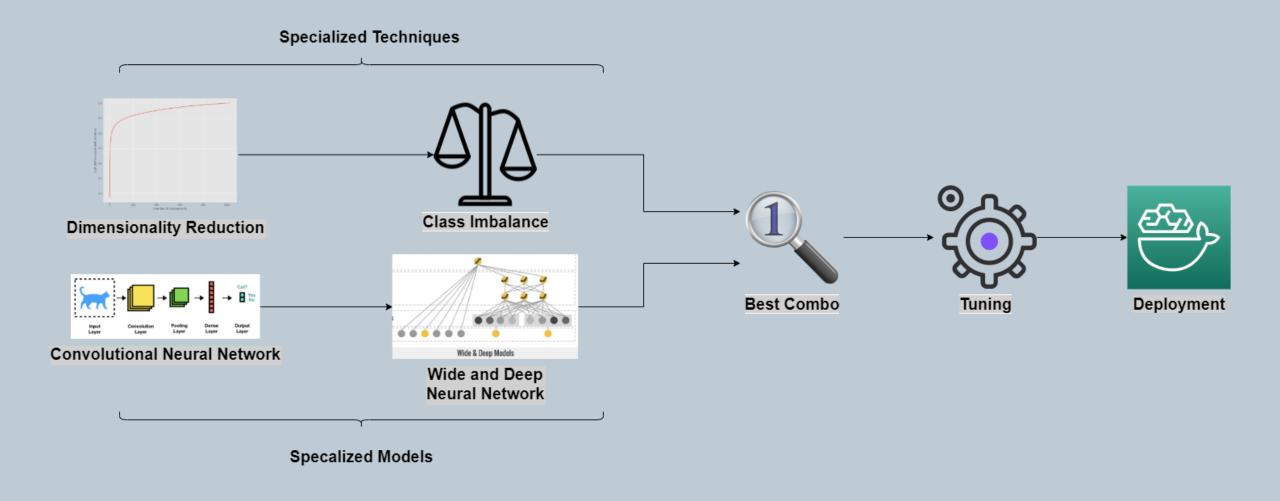
# Our Project's Focus: Then and Now

# SEMESTER 7 FUNDAMENTALS AND FOUNDATIONS

- Is this project even feasible? Yes
- Does data preprocessing make sense? Yes
- Does our ML workflow make sense? Yes
- Does hyperparameter tuning work? Yes
- Deep learning > shallow learning? Yes

# SEMESTER 8 GOING BEYOND THE BASICS

- How can we circumvent runtime bottlenecks?
- Could a DL model learn from 2D data?
- Which hyperparameters should we tune?
- Experimental → production model: how?



### Our Progress This Semester

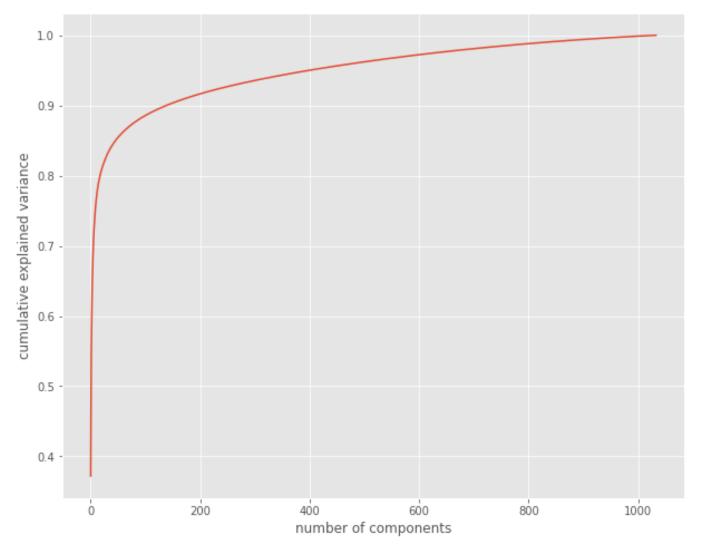
Specialized Techniques + Specialized Models → Best Model/Techniques → Tuning → Deployment

# Focus 01: Specialized Techniques

DIMENSIONALITY REDUCTION & ADDRESSING CLASS IMBALANCE

# Dimensionality Reduction

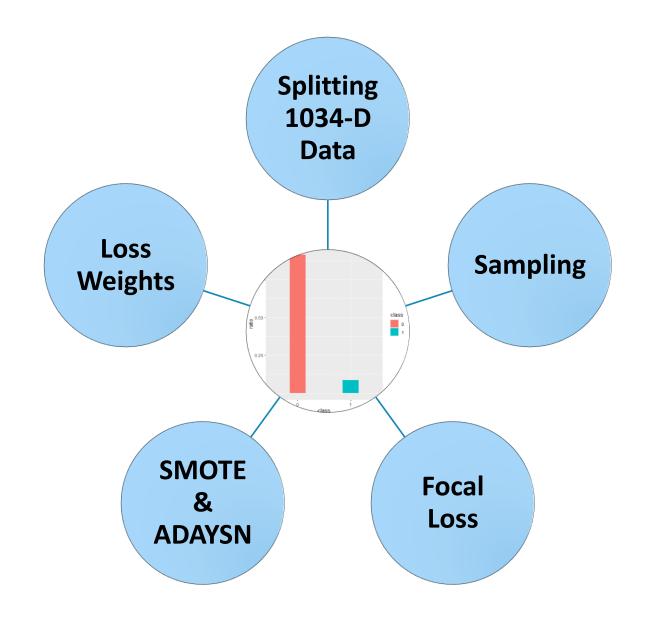
- Curse of dimensionality
- Dims  $\uparrow \Rightarrow$  Data Needed, Overfitting,  $O(n) \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow !$
- SVM  $\rightarrow$  AUC  $\odot$ , O(n)  $\odot$
- 1,034-D data necessary?
- Methods: PCA, K-PCA, LLE
- K-PCA: 600 features pprox 95% of explained  $\sigma^2$
- Convergence ↓, AUC ↓
- Unsuitable for our models



95% explained variance in SGCC dataset attributable to ~600 kWhs

# Addressing Class Imbalance

- Class 0:1 = 0.915:0.0815
- Highly imbalanced data
- $y_{majority} \rightarrow \text{prediction} \uparrow$
- $y_{minority} \rightarrow \text{prediction} \downarrow$
- AUC skewed by  $n_{majority}$
- AUC ↑, but FP/FN also ↑
- 5 different techniques
- Goal: AUC ↑, FP/FN ↓↓



# Addressing Class Imbalance – Oversampling, Undersampling, Split Features

### Oversampling Minority Class

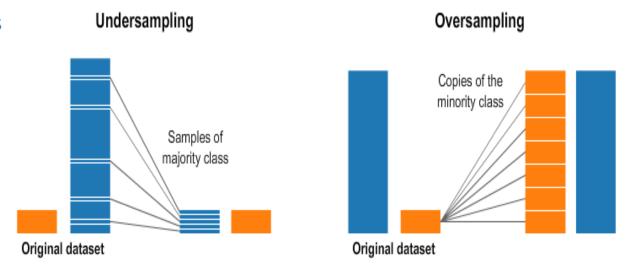
- Randomly replicate minority class data points
- $n_{minority} \uparrow = n_{majority}$  possible, but duplicates
- Massively imbalanced data → overfit minority

### Undersampling Majority Class

- $\downarrow n_{majority} = n_{minority}$
- Randomly remove majority class examples
- Removes potentially useful data.

### Split features

- (1, 1034) kWh  $\rightarrow$  (3, 345) kWh from same  $X_i$
- Fully sparse feature vectors
- Label granularity labels assumed, not known

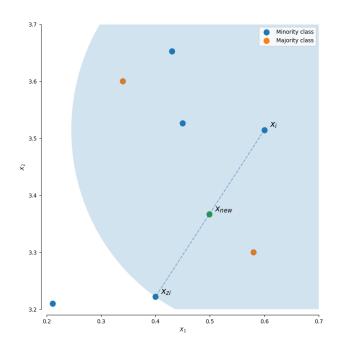


Undersampling and Oversampling visualized

# Addressing Class Imbalance: SMOTE, ADASYN, & Focal Loss

#### SMOTE & ADASYN

- Synthetic Minority Oversampling Technique
- Create synthetic  $X_{minority}$  in feature space.
- $x_{new} = x_i + \lambda \times (x_{zi} x_i), \lambda \in [0,1]$
- Variants Borderline/SVM-SMOTE, ADASYN
- Performance limited by data quality
- Focal Loss Sigmoid Focal Crossentropy
  - Facebook AI loss for foreground segmentation
  - Designed for highly imbalanced datasets
  - Misclassified example → class weight ↑
  - Overfitting ↓↓, but AUC ↓ as well



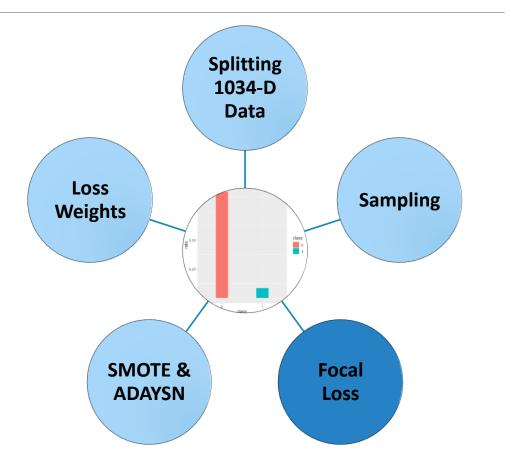
**SMOTE Visualized** 

# Addressing Class Imbalance – Loss Weights

- Zheng: both classes as equally important.
- But  $n_1 \ll n_0 \Rightarrow$  more "expensive" to misclassify minority than majority class.
- Concretely, if  $n_1 << n_0 \implies \mathcal{L}(X_1) \gg \mathcal{L}(X_0)$
- To make classes equally important for learning, assign weights  $k_1$  and  $k_0$  in loss

$$k_1 \times n_1 = k_0 \times n_0 = 0.5$$

- Make misclassified minorities k times more expensive for loss than misclassified majority
- Best technique for class imbalance → best balance b/w AUC ↑ and FP/FN ↓

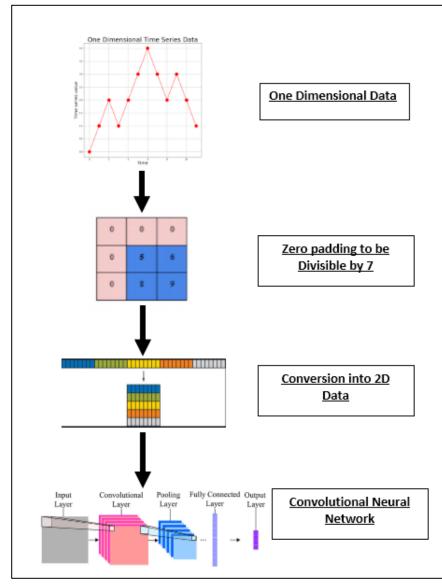


# Focus 02: Specialized Models

CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORK & WIDE AND DEEP CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORK

### Convolutional Neural Network

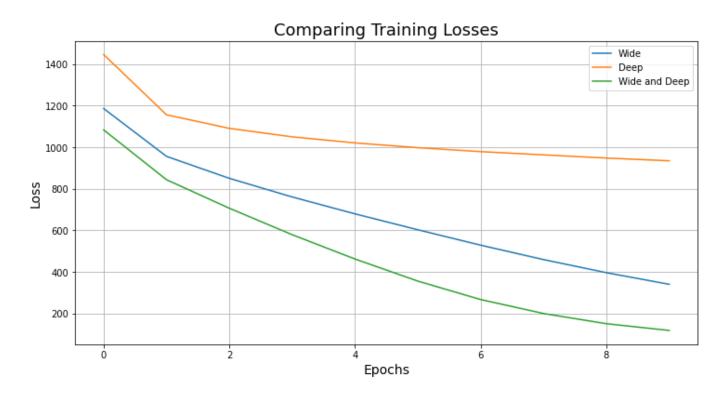
- Hierarchical feature extraction → Generalizability
- Convolve 2D windows of multichannel tenors with filters
- **Filters**: learned feature extractors
- Stride: distance between centers of adjacent convolutional windows.
- Padding: to be divisible by 7
- Pooling: strongest feature extracted by a convolution & reduces the dimensionality of the input patch.
- Zheng: 1D data (daily) → pad → reshape → 2D data (weekly)



CNN data flow

### Wide and Deep Neural Network

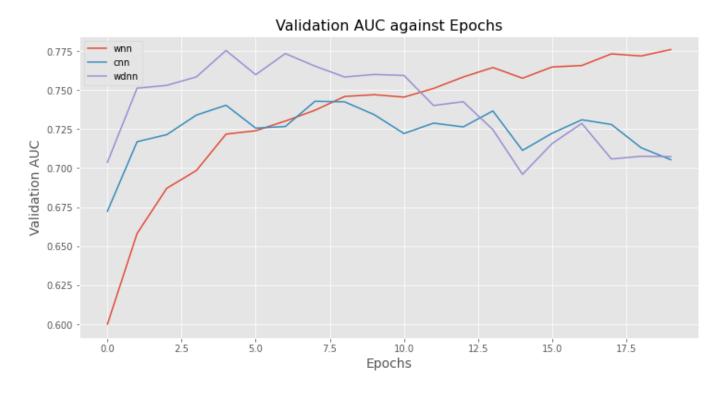
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- WNN + CNN O/P → Sigmoid
- Outperforms other classifiers



Loss comparison on the canonical California Housing price dataset. WDNN outperforms both wide and deep neural networks.

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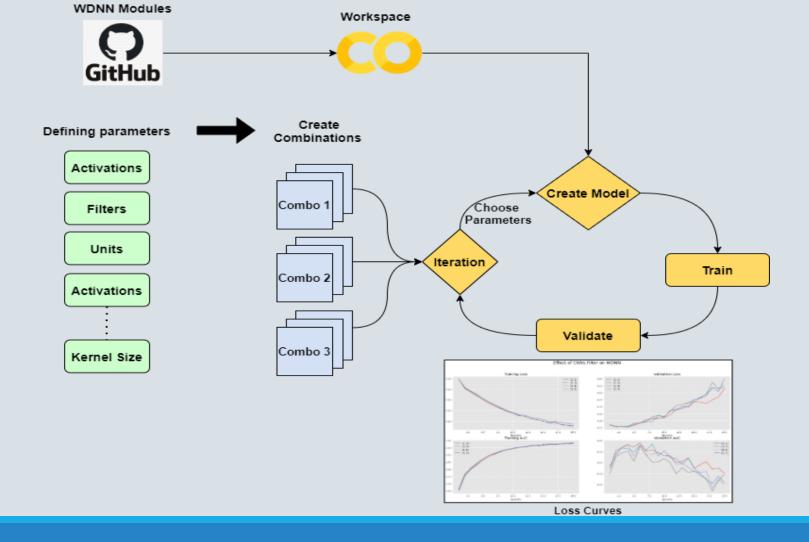
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- WNN + CNN O/P  $\rightarrow$  Sigmoid
- Outperforms other classifiers
- Highest compute complexity
- Highest propensity to overfit



AUC on the SGCC (FYP dataset). WDNN outperforms CNN and WNN, but tends to overfit very quickly.

# Focus 03: WDNN Hyperparameter tuning

MAXIMISING WDNN MODEL PERFORMANCE



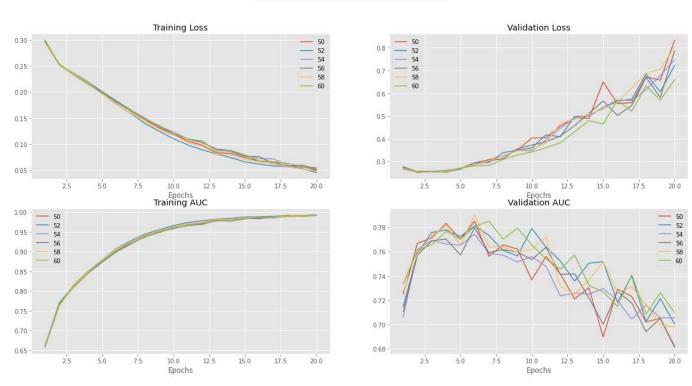
# WDNN Hyperparameter tuning

A hyperparameter tuning workflow implemented from scratch for compatibility with Keras Functional API WDNN

### WDNN Hyperparameter Tuning

- WDNN → keras functional API
- Grid Search API: incompatible
- Implemented hyperparameter tuning from scratch
- Combinations of hyperparameter values → build function.
- One model per combo.
- Plot train/val loss and AUC ∀ combos → visualize trends
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#### Effect of WNN Dense Units on WDNN



Tuning Visualized: trends in train/validation loss and AUC for WDNN densely connected units

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Component	Parameter	Zheng	Tuning	AUC (Optimal)
CNN	Regularizer	NA	DO OR BN	~0.79
	Activation	ReLU	SeLU	~0.76
	No. of Filters	18 ~ 20	8	~0.77 - ~0.78
	Kernel Size	(3, 3)	(3, 3)	~0.77 - ~0.78
	Dense Units	50	54	~0.78
	Dense Activ.	ReLU	SeLU	~0.78 - 0.79
	Pool Size	Max (3, 7)	Max (3, 7)	Not tuned
WNN	Units	64 (60% TR)	54	0.78
	Activation	ReLU	Softmax	0.78

# Focus 04: Model Deployment

AMAZON WEB SERVICES (AWS) AND SAGEMAKER → PRODUCTION

# Model Deployment: AWS

#### Amazon Web Services (AWS)

- Cloud computing platform for interfacing by client.
- Serving 34% of the cloud market all over the world.
- On demand computing + custom API interactions.
- Storage, GPUs, RAM & runtime optimization online

### Amazon SageMaker

- Build, train, validate, & deploy models.
- Pre-built ML model images → fine tune if needed.
- Autopilot: Sagemaker chooses best algorithm!





# Model Deployment: Web Services Used

#### S3 Bucket

- Storage logically partitioned and set up based on user's needs.
- bucket that can be linked when a compute instance is launched.
- Bucket data uniquely identifiable by key/prefix pair → call in notebook to load data.

#### Notebook Instance

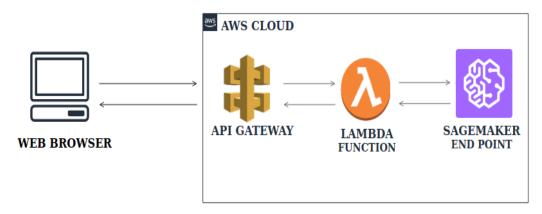
- Jupyter Notebook instances isolated computing environments running on cloud instances.
- Can also be used for setting up model endpoints that can be invoked for making predictions.

#### **AWS Lambda**

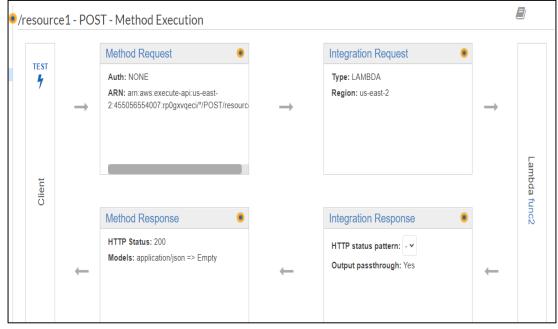
- Automates launching and managing server resources  $\rightarrow$  no human intervention required.
- Instantly reallocates resources in response to a request.

# Cloud Processing Workflow

- User  $\longleftrightarrow$  API Gateway  $\longleftrightarrow$   $\lambda$ function
- lambda\_handler: stores
   the features in its event
   argument in the form of
   either a dictionary, CSV file
   or a JSON tree.
- Invoke\_endpoint:
   client: data → compute
   instance → prediction
- Prediction = p(y = 1|data)
- Prediction → JSON → API
   Gateway → Response
- One request per consumer



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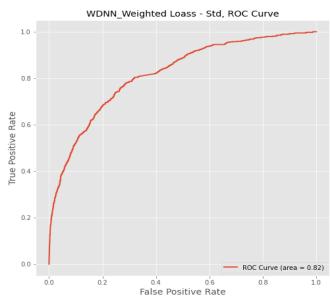


**API Structure** 

### **Results: WDNN**

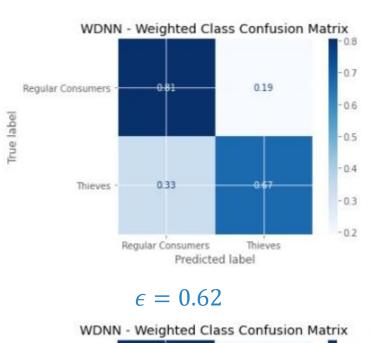
- WDNN trained with hyperparameters in slide 18.
- Best Model: ROC AUC = 0.82
- Best Model: Lowest FP/FN
- Different hyperparameters from Zheng's → ROC AUC ↑.
- Trained on standard scaled,
   20 epochs, 54 dense units.
- Weighted binary crossentropy loss function
- Softmax : CNN component
   SeLU WNN component.
- Dropout and Batch Norm regularization for overfitting

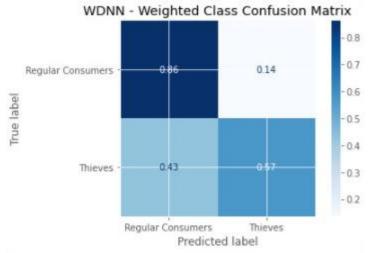


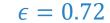


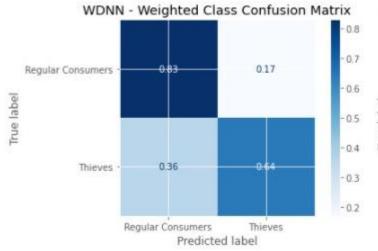
# Results: Classification Threshold

- Classification threshold =  $\epsilon$
- $\widehat{y_i} = \begin{cases} 1, & P(y_i = 1|X_i) > \epsilon \\ 0, & P(y_i = 1|X_i) \le \epsilon \end{cases}$
- $\bullet \quad \epsilon \uparrow \Rightarrow n(\hat{y}_i = 1) \downarrow, P \downarrow$
- No "optimal" value for  $\epsilon \rightarrow$  depends on use case
- $\epsilon \uparrow$ : TN  $\downarrow$ , FP  $\downarrow$ , TP  $\downarrow$
- $\epsilon \downarrow$ : TP  $\uparrow$ , FP  $\uparrow$ , TN  $\downarrow$
- Tested  $\epsilon \in [0.5, 0.75]$
- We recommend  $\epsilon$  = 0.525











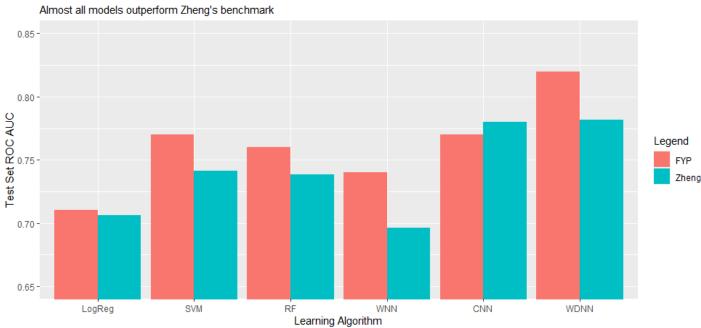
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#### Model Performance Comparison - FYP vs Zheng



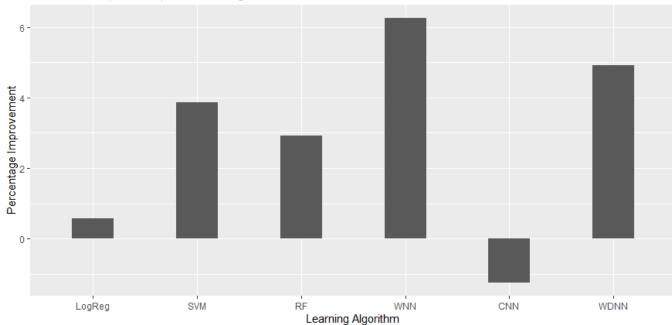
Comparing ROC AUC of our model's against Zheng's benchmark

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#### Percentage Improvement in ROC AUC





Achieved up to 6% improvement on Zheng's ROC AUC. CNN performance is lower because no hyperparameter tuning.

# Conclusions

- Successful proof of concept: ML is a viable technique for detecting energy theft using kWh data.
- DL > ML: multiple non-linear transformations of feature space  $\rightarrow$  richer representations of data
- FYP > Zheng: Our AUCs are up to 6% higher than Zheng's on 5/6 models.
- Best Model: WDNN: highest ROC AUC (0.82), lowest FP/FN by true label
- Class Imbalance techniques: Weighted loss by class weights > focal loss, SMOTE, sampling
- Dimensionality Reduction: PCA, KPCA unsuitable, and possibly unnecessary for this project.
- Deployment: AWS is very useful, but can be unreliable e.g. tf, py version inconsistencies

### The Importance of Data Quality

- Good data >> Good models: Model performance, utility of SMOTE, PCA → all limited by data quality.
- Data Quality ↑ if fewer missing data, more timeseries data → performance ↑

# Future Work

#### Sequence Models

- Memory and state → learn meaningful, long-term dependencies and patterns in timeseries data
- 1D-CNN, bidirectional LSTM, transformers

### Anomaly Detection

- Semi-supervised learning: need labels for few, not all, examples
- Identify kWhs that deviate "sufficiently" from the norm  $\rightarrow$  outliers, anomalies.
- Pre-built algorithms in Scikit-Learn

#### AWS Batch Transform

- Inference right now: one request → one consumer.
- For scalability, one request → multiple consumers
- AWS Batch Transform: concurrency + parallel processing → inference on multiple examples.

# Thank You

QUESTIONS?