Cardiovascular Diseases Risk Prediction

I. INTRODUCTION

The dataset utilized in this project is a Cardiovascular Diseases Risk Prediction Dataset sourced from the 2021 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS). BRFSS is recognized as the primary system in the United States for the conduct of health-related telephone surveys. It is committed to the collection of data from U.S. residents across various domains, encompassing behaviors with potential health implications, the presence of chronic health conditions, and the utilization of preventive healthcare services. This extensive program functions as an indispensable source of health-related information [1].

The dataset employed in this study has been pre-processed and cleaned to ensure its quality and reliability, as the original database contained 304 distinct variables. The author conducted a thorough selection process to carefully choose 19 lifestyle-related variables believed to have the potential to influence an individual's risk of developing cardiovascular diseases. [1].

The fields of the dataset are as follows:

General_Health, Checkup, Exercise, Heart_Disease, Skin_Cancer, Other_Cancer, Depression, Diabetes, Arthritis, Sex, Age_Category, Height_(cm), Weight_(kg), BMI, Smoking_History, Alcohol_Consumption, Fruit_Consumption, Green_Vegetables_Consumption, FriedPotato_Consumption [1].

II. PREPROCESSING

```
In [3]: data1 = pd.read_csv('C:/Users/pabas/Desktop/Machine Learning Project 01/Project5/CVD_cleaned_Over_Sampling.csv')
In [16]: data1.shape
Out[16]: (198290, 19)
In [4]: data1.info()
         <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
         RangeIndex: 198290 entries, 0 to 198289
         Data columns (total 19 columns):
          #
             Column
                                            Non-Null Count
                                                             Dtype
          0
              General_Health
                                            198290 non-null object
              Checkup
          1
                                            198290 non-null
                                                             object
          2
              Exercise
                                            198290 non-null object
                                            198290 non-null
          3
              Skin Cancer
                                                             object
          4
              Other Cancer
                                            198290 non-null object
          5
              Depression
                                            198290 non-null
                                                             object
          6
                                            198290 non-null
              Diabetes
              Arthritis
                                            198290 non-null
                                                             object
          8
              Sex
                                            198290 non-null
                                                             object
          9
              Age_Category
                                            198290 non-null
                                                             object
          10 Height_(cm)
                                            198290 non-null
                                                             int64
          11 Weight_(kg)
                                            198290 non-null
                                                             float64
          12 BMI
                                            198290 non-null
                                                             float64
          13
              Smoking_History
                                            198290 non-null
                                                             object
          14 Alcohol_Consumption
                                            198290 non-null
                                                             int64
          15 Fruit Consumption
                                            198290 non-null
                                                             int64
          16 Green_Vegetables_Consumption 198290 non-null
                                                             int64
              FriedPotato Consumption
          17
                                            198290 non-null
                                                             int64
          18 Heart_Disease
                                            198290 non-null
                                                             object
         dtypes: float64(2), int64(5), object(12)
         memory usage: 28.7+ MB
```

Fig. 1. python code to import the packages, to read the dataset and get information on dataset.

According to the above figure 1, after loading relevant packages, the data set was loaded as data1, the shape of the data set and information on the dataset are obtained.

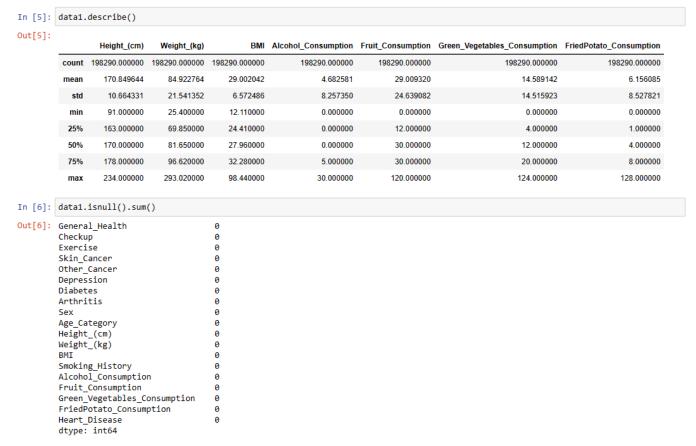


Fig. 2. Descriptive statistics and Null values count of the data set.

According to the above figure 2, the descriptive statistics of the dataset were obtained, and the dataset was checked for any null values. According to the above output it is confirmed that there are no null values on this dataset.

```
In [19]: data1.duplicated()
Out[19]: 0
                    False
                    False
          2
                    False
          3
                    False
          4
                    False
          198285
                    False
          198286
                    False
          198287
                    False
          198288
                    False
          198289
                    False
          Length: 198290, dtype: bool
```

Fig. 3. Python code to check for duplicates and the output of the data set.

The above output of duplicate values confirmed that there are no duplicate values on this dataset.

```
In [4]: data2 = data1[columns_to_extract].copy()
       data2['Heart_Disease']=data2['Heart_Disease'].map({"Yes":1,"No":0})
       data2['Age_Category']=data2['Age_Category'].map({"18-24":20,"25-29":25,"30-34":30,"35-39":35,"40-44":40
,"45-49":45,"50-54":50,"55-59":55,"60-64":60,"65-69":65
,"70-74":70,"75-79":75,"80+":80})
       data2['General_Health']=data2['General_Health'].map({"Poor":1,"Fair":2,"Good":3,"Very Good":4,"Excellent":5})
       data2.head()
Out[4]: Green_Vegetables_Consumption FriedPotato_Consumption Heart_Disease Exercise Diabetes Arthritis Other_Cancer Depression Age_Category General_Health
                                                                                              0
                          8
                                                                                                       60
                                            2
                                                                                     0
                                                                                              0
                                                                                                       75
                          20
                                                              1
                                                                     0
                                            30
                                                                                              0
                                                                                                       75
```

Fig. 4. Python code to extract columns and convert categorical data to numerical data.

According to the above figure 4, relevant columns of the data set were extracted and created a new dataset as data2. Then all the categorical columns in data2 were converted into numerical fields for further analysis.

III. DESCRIPTIVE DATA MINING

Descriptive data mining is conducted to visualize the nature of the data set. Below given are figures of plots which can be used to describe the features of the dataset in a more descriptive way.

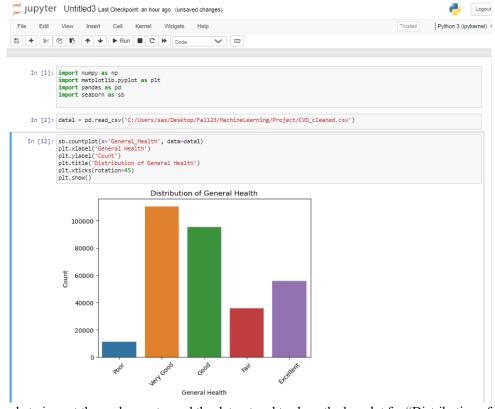


Fig. 5. python code to import the packages, to read the dataset and to show the boxplot for "Distribution of General Health."

According to figure 5, it can be seen that a significant proportion of the sample under this study has good general health conditions.

```
In [4]: plt.scatter(datal['Weight_(kg)'], datal['BMI'], alpha=0.9, c='blue', edgecolors='k')
plt.xlabel('Weight_(kg)')
plt.ylabel('BMI')
plt.title('Scatter Plot of Age vs. BMI')
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()
```

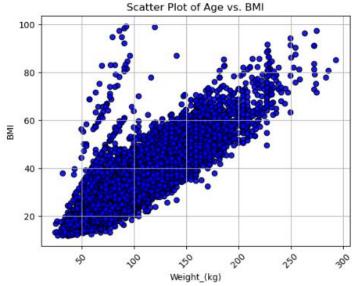


Fig. 6. Scatter plot of "Age vs. BMI" and the executed python code.

According to the above Figure 6, it can be seen that there is a significant positive correlation between the two variables, Weight and BMI.

```
In [5]: heart_disease_counts = data1['Heart_Disease'].value_counts()
   plt.pie(heart_disease_counts, labels=heart_disease_counts.index, autopct='%1.1f%%')
   plt.title('Distribution of Heart Disease')
   plt.show()
```

Distribution of Heart Disease

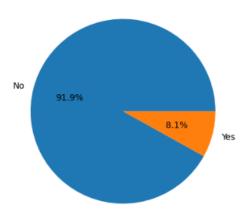


Fig. 7. Pie chart of "Distribution of Heart Disease" and the executed python code.

As of figure 7 it can be seen that a significant proportion of the sample has heart disease.

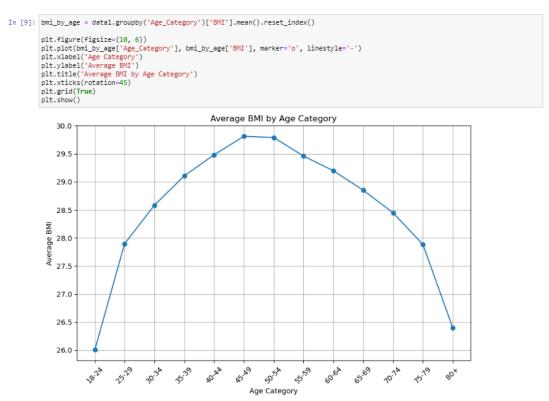


Fig. 8. Line chart of "Average BMI by Age Category" and the executed python code.

The above graph of "Average BMI by Age Category" shows that the highest BMI value is given by the two age categories, 45-49 and 50-54 years respectively. Furthermore, according to the graph in the very young ages like 18-24 and very old ages like 80+, the BMI values are significantly low.

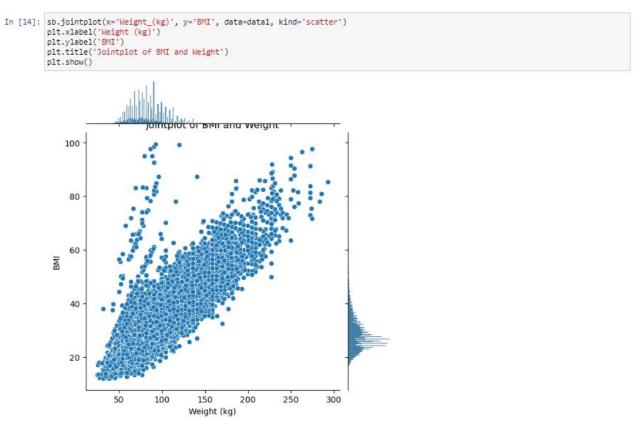


Fig. 9. Joint plot of "BMI and Weight" and the executed python code.

```
In [7]: sb.stripplot(x='AgeCategory', y='FriedPotatoConsumption', data=data1, size=10,jitter=True)
plt.title('Strip Plot of Age Category vs Fried Potato Consumption')
plt.show()
```

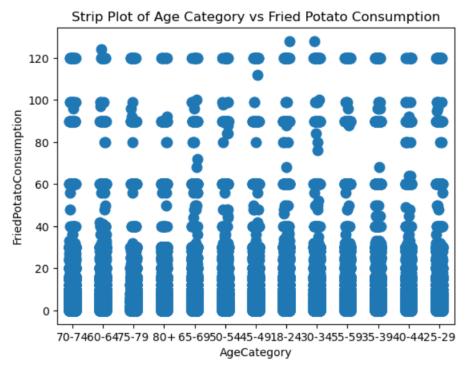


Fig. 10. Strip plot of "BMI and Weight" and the executed python code.

According to the above graph, it can be seen that the fried potato consumption in almost every age category under the sample is significantly low.

```
In [17]: plt.figure(figsize-(18, 6))
sb.wiolinplot(x=General_Health', y='BMI', data=data1, palette='Set2')
plt.xlabel('General_Health')
plt.xlicks(rotation=45)
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()

Distribution of BMI by General Health

100

Distribution of BMI by General Health

Fig. (General_Health)

General_Health

General_Health
```

Fig. 11. Violin plot of the "Distribution of BMI and Weight" and the executed python code.

```
In [15]: sb.countplot(x='Age_Category', hue='Heart_Disease', data=data1, palette='Set1')
plt.xlabel('Age_Category')
plt.ylabel('Count')
plt.title('Distribution of Heart Disease by Age_Category')
plt.legend(title='Heart Disease', loc='upper right', labels=['No', 'Yes'])
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()
```

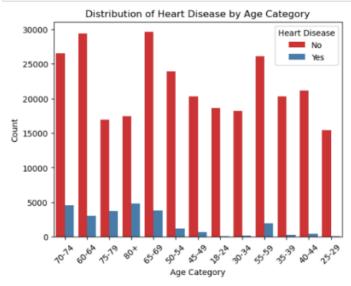


Fig. 12. Bar chart for "Distribution of heart disease by Age Category" and the executed python code.

IV. CLUSTERING

After preprocessing the dataset, it was checked for eligible clustering.

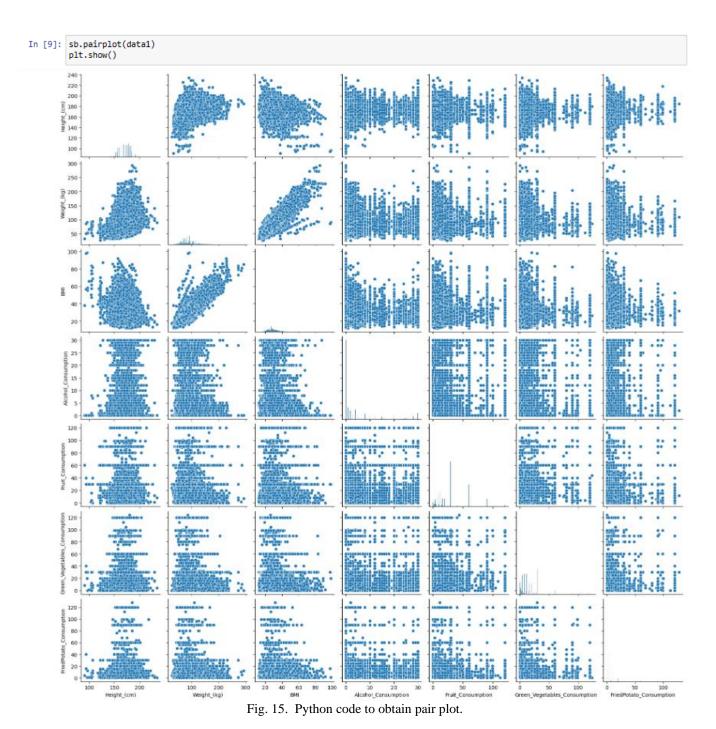
```
In [20]: from sklearn.cluster import KMeans
In [77]: clustering1 = KMeans(n_clusters=5)
In [78]: clustering1.fit(data2)
          The default value of `n_init` will change from 10 to 'auto' in 1.4. Set the value of `n_init` explicitly to suppress the warnin
Out[78]:
           KMeans(n_clusters=5)
In [79]: labels=clustering1.predict(data2)
In [80]: print(labels)
          [4 3 4 ... 2 3 2]
In [74]: centroid1=clustering1.cluster_centers_
          plt.scatter(data2.iloc[:, 0],data2.iloc[:, 4], c=labels)
plt.scatter(centroid1[:, 0], centroid1[:, 4],marker='x', s=100, c='crimson')
In [81]:
          plt.show()
            120
            100
             80
             60
             40
             20
              0
                      100
                               120
                                         140
                                                  160
                                                           180
                                                                    200
                                                                             220
                                                                                      240
```

Fig. 13. Python code import libraries and obtain KMeans clustering.

Based on the insights derived from Figure 13, it is apparent that optimal K-means clustering was achieved by adjusting the number of clusters. However, it is noted that this might not be considered a favorable practice, suggesting potential limitations or challenges associated with the chosen clustering approach.

14]: data2.corr()							
14]:	Height_(cm)	Weight_(kg)	ВМІ	Alcohol_Consumption	Fruit_Consumption	Green_Vegetables_Consumption	FriedPotato_Co
Height_(cm)	1.000000	0.473043	-0.027278	0.129110	-0.044111	-0.016637	
Weight_(kg)	0.473043	1.000000	0.859273	-0.031895	-0.077652	-0.061649	
ВМІ	-0.027278	0.859273	1.000000	-0.107910	-0.082519	-0.061127	
Alcohol_Consumption	0.129110	-0.031895	-0.107910	1.000000	-0.010121	0.060897	
Fruit_Consumption	-0.044111	-0.077652	-0.062519	-0.010121	1.000000	0.267009	
Green_Vegetables_Consumption	-0.016637	-0.061649	-0.061127	0.060897	0.267009	1.000000	
FriedPotato_Consumption	0.106254	0.093303	0.045644	0.016056	-0.052608	0.006808	
Heart_Disease	0.031430	0.092007	0.086219	-0.072870	-0.035009	-0.047802	
Exercise	0.090383	-0.088351	-0.152272	0.104782	0.136680	0.133754	
Diabetes	-0.004791	0.191976	0.220463	-0.142825	-0.028329	-0.037559	
Arthritis	-0.092959	0.083875	0.145588	-0.054642	-0.011378	-0.038729	
Other_Cancer	-0.032196	-0.029337	-0.013747	-0.015697	-0.000668	-0.012243	
Depression	-0.094799	0.052252	0.115696	-0.039639	-0.042769	-0.049266	
Age_Category	-0.083115	-0.070389	-0.036660	-0.020911	0.024449	0.003203	
General_Health	0.061759	-0.160035	-0.215533	0.147125	0.098435	0.127182	
4	_	_	_				•

Fig. 14. Correlation Matrix of all variables.



Based on the information presented in Figure 14, it is evident that no relationship, aside from height and BMI, exhibits a correlation exceeding 0.5. This observation signifies that there is no substantial correlation among the features. Furthermore, the findings in Figure 15 reinforce this conclusion by confirming the absence of multicollinearity within this dataset.

V. CLASSIFICATION

In this part of the study, the dataset was analyzed using three distinct classification algorithms: Decision Tree, K-Nearest Neighbors (KNN), and Naive Bayes. These algorithms were employed to predict the risk of cardiovascular diseases based on a range of clinical and demographic features. The investigation aimed to provide valuable insights into the predictive capabilities of each method and to identify the most influential risk factors contributing to cardiovascular disease outcomes. By leveraging these diverse classification approaches, the research contributes to a comprehensive understanding of the dataset and offers a foundation for informed decision-making in healthcare and risk assessment.

A. Decision Tree

```
In [5]: y = data2['Heart_Disease']
x = data2.drop(columns=['Heart_Disease'])
In [6]: x_train, x_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(x,y,test_size=0.3, random_state=42,stratify=y)
```

Fig. 16. Python code to split the dataset.

Decision Tree

Fig. 16 Code and Output of Decision Tree Classifier

B. Naïve Bayes

Naive Bayes

Fig. 17 Code and Output of Naïve Bayes Classifier

KNN

Fig. 18 Code and Output of KNN Classifier

Based on Figures 16, 17, and 18 above, it is evident that the model achieves accuracies of 0.79 and 0.71 when employing the decision tree and KNN, respectively. While Naïve Bayes demonstrates a relatively favorable accuracy of 0.89, there is room for improvement in the model's accuracy through the application of ensemble methods, as outlined below.

VI. ENSEMBLE METHODS

A. Random Forest

Random Forest

```
In [21]: RF1 =RandomForestRegressor(n_estimators=100,random_state=0)
In [22]: RF1.fit(x_train,y_train)
Out[22]:
                  RandomForestRegressor
          RandomForestRegressor(random state=0)
In [23]: pre1=RF1.predict(x_test)
         RF1.score(x_test,y_test)
Out[23]: 0.7342413628020581
In [24]: RF2 =RandomForestClassifier(max_depth=4, oob_score=True)
         RF2.fit(x_train,y_train)
         print(RF2.score(x_test,y_test))
         print(RF2.oob_score_)
         0.7426664649419201
         0.7394652853324496
In [25]: y pred=RF2.predict(x test)
In [26]: cm=confusion_matrix(y_test,y_pred)
         print(cm)
         [[20147 9375]
          [ 5933 24032]]
```

Fig. 19. python code to import the packages, to read the dataset and to show the accuracy of "Random Forest".

Bagging

```
In [27]: Bag1=BaggingClassifier(n_estimators = 100, random_state = 22)
         Bag1.fit(x_train,y_train)
Out[27]:
                            {\tt BaggingClassifier}
         BaggingClassifier(n_estimators=100, random_state=22)
In [28]: Bag1.predict(x_test)
Out[28]: array([1, 0, 0, ..., 1, 1, 1], dtype=int64)
In [29]: Bag1.score(x_test,y_test)
Out[29]: 0.9098626590683678
In [30]: Bag2=BaggingClassifier(n_estimators = 20, random_state = 22)
         Bag2.fit(x_train,y_train)
Out[30]:
                           BaggingClassifier
         BaggingClassifier(n_estimators=20, random_state=22)
In [31]: pre3=Bag2.predict(x_test)
In [32]: Bag2.score(x_test,y_test)
Out[32]: 0.9119471481163952
In [33]: cm=confusion_matrix(y_test,pre3)
         print(cm)
         [[24758 4764]
          [ 474 29491]]
```

Fig. 20. python code to import the packages, to read the dataset and to show the accuracy of "Bagging". As depicted in Figure 5, the model achieves a maximum accuracy of 0.91 when applying Bagging with 100 and 20 estimators, showcasing negligible differences in accuracy between the two scenarios.

C. Boosting

Ada Boost

Fig. 21. python code to import the packages, to read the dataset and to show the accuracy of "Boosting".

As indicated by Figure 6 above, the model's accuracy is observed to be 0.75 when employing Ada Boosting and 0.78 when employing XGBoosting.

D. Logistic Regression

Logistic Regression

```
In [42]: reg1 = LogisticRegression()
In [43]: reg1.fit(x_train,y_train)
          C:\ProgramData\anaconda3\lib\site-packages\sklearn\linear_model\_logistic.py:458: ConvergenceWarning: lbfgs failed to converge
          STOP: TOTAL NO. of ITERATIONS REACHED LIMIT.
          Increase the number of iterations (max iter) or scale the data as shown in:
          Please also refer to the documentation for alternative solver options:
https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/linear_model.html#logistic-regression
            n_iter_i = _check_optimize_result(
Out[43]: LogisticRegression
          LogisticRegression()
In [44]: pre2=reg1.predict(x_test)
In [45]: cm=confusion_matrix(y_test,pre2)
In [46]: print(cm)
          [[21061 8461]
In [47]: cm1=normalize(cm,norm='l1',axis=1)
In [48]: print(cm1)
          [[0.71340018 0.28659982]
           [0.21201402 0.78798598]]
In [49]: score = reg1.score(x_test, y_test)
In [50]: score
Out[50]: 0.7509708003429321
```

Fig. 22. python code to import the packages, to read the dataset and to show the accuracy of "Logistic Regression".

As indicated by Figure 7 above, the model's accuracy is also observed to be 0.75 when employing Logistic Regression.

When assessing the accuracy of decision trees, KNN, and Naive Bayes in comparison to Random Forest, Bagging, and Boosting, the latter trio consistently demonstrates superior performance. Decision trees, KNN, and Naive Bayes exhibit inherent limitations, which are effectively addressed by the ensemble methods. Random Forest, Bagging, and Boosting leverage the combined capabilities of multiple models, resulting in enhanced predictive accuracy. Empirical evidence suggests that, in diverse scenarios, the adoption of ensemble methods such as Random Forest, Bagging, and Boosting proves advantageous, positioning them as preferred choices for various machine learning applications.

According to the above study. It is confirmed that Bagging gives the highest accurate model with accurate confusion matrix compared to every other classification and ensemble methods.

VII. FEATURE IMPORTANCE METHODS

Feature importance in machine learning refers to the assessment of the significance of various input variables (features) in predicting the model's output or outcome. It enables the identification of features that contribute most substantially to the model's performance, offering valuable insights into underlying patterns. This understanding facilitates improved model interpretation, optimization, and decision-making by allowing practitioners to concentrate on the most influential factors for enhanced predictive accuracy.

The two types of Feature Importance used in this study are applying Random Forest and applying XGBoost. Then Neural Network with Keras was implemented and accuracy was calculated by changing the number of epos and batch size.

Feature Importance by applying Random Forest

```
In [8]: RF1 =RandomForestRegressor(n_estimators=100,random_state=0)
 In [9]: RF1.fit(x_train,y_train)
 Out[9]: RandomForestRegressor(random_state=0)
          In a Jupyter environment, please rerun this cell to show the HTML representation or trust the notebook.
          On GitHub, the HTML representation is unable to render, please try loading this page with nbviewer.org.
In [10]: RF1.feature_importances_
Out[10]: array([0.06984612, 0.10162776, 0.13361714, 0.05954762, 0.08028843,
                   0.08382707, \; 0.0767902 \;\; , \; 0.01659525, \; 0.01408395, \; 0.02070953, \\
                  0.01452991, 0.01459244, 0.20896638, 0.1049782 ])
In [11]: print(x.columns)
          Index(['Height_(cm)', 'Weight_(kg)', 'BMI', 'Alcohol_Consumption',
                  'Fruit_Consumption', 'Green_Vegetables_Consumption', 'FriedPotato_Consumption', 'Exercise', 'Diabetes', 'Arthritis',
                 'Other_Cancer', 'Depression', 'Age_Category', 'General_Health'], dtype='object')
In [12]: list1=[]
          for i in range(14):
              list1.append(x.columns[i])
          list1
Out[12]: ['Height_(cm)',
            'Weight_(kg)',
           'BMI',
           'Alcohol Consumption',
           'Fruit_Consumption',
            'Green_Vegetables_Consumption',
            'FriedPotato_Consumption',
           'Exercise',
           'Diabetes',
            'Arthritis',
            'Other_Cancer',
            'Depression',
            'Age_Category'
            'General Health']
```

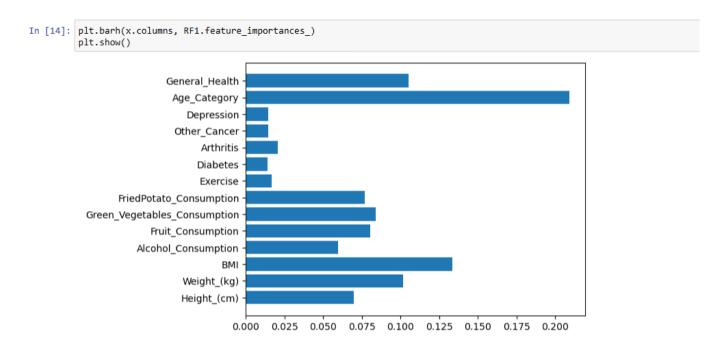


Fig. 23. python code to import the packages, to read the dataset and obtain feature Importance by applying Random Forest.

B. Feature Importance by applying XGBoost

Feature Importance by applying XGBoost

```
In [7]: xgb1=XGBClassifier(n_estimator=100,learning_rate=0.05)
In [8]: xgb1.fit(x_train,y_train)
         [12:11:42] WARNING: C:\Users\dev-admin\croot2\xgboost-split_1675461376218\work\src\learner.cc:767:
         Parameters: { "n_estimator" } are not used.
Out[8]: XGBClassifier(base_score=None, booster=None, callbacks=None,
                       colsample bylevel=None, colsample bynode=None,
                       colsample_bytree=None, early_stopping_rounds=None,
                       enable_categorical=False, eval_metric=None, feature_types=None,
                       gamma=None, gpu_id=None, grow_policy=None, importance_type=None,
                       interaction_constraints=None, learning_rate=0.05, max_bin=None,
                       max cat threshold=None, max cat to onehot=None,
                       max_delta_step=None, max_depth=None, max_leaves=None,
                       min_child_weight=None, missing=nan, monotone_constraints=None,
                       n_estimator=100, n_estimators=100, n_jobs=None,
                       num_parallel_tree=None, predictor=None, ...)
        In a Jupyter environment, please rerun this cell to show the HTML representation or trust the notebook.
        On GitHub, the HTML representation is unable to render, please try loading this page with nbviewer.org.
In [9]: xgb1.get_booster().get_score(importance_type='gain')
Out[9]: {'Height_(cm)': 27.797964096069336,
          'Weight_(kg)': 27.808765411376953,
          'BMI': 11.878717422485352.
          'Alcohol_Consumption': 13.385190963745117,
          'Fruit_Consumption': 11.240407943725586,
          'Green_Vegetables_Consumption': 11.078418731689453,
          'FriedPotato_Consumption': 12.036109924316406,
          'Exercise': 12.019018173217773,
          'Diabetes': 55.66769790649414,
          'Arthritis': 73.12091064453125,
          'Other_Cancer': 17.691173553466797,
          'Depression': 20.627023696899414,
          'Age_Category': 381.68853759765625
          'General_Health': 289.53582763671875}
```

Fig. 24. python code to import the packages, to read the dataset and obtain feature Importance by applying Random Forest".

C. Neural Network with Keras

```
In [7]: model3=Sequential()
     model3.add(Dense(12, input_shape=(14,), activation='relu'))
     model3.add(Dense(8, activation='relu'))
     model3.add(Dense(1,activation='sigmoid'))
     model3.compile(loss='binary_crossentropy', optimizer='adam', metrics=['accuracy'])
     model3.fit(x,y, epochs=50, batch_size=40)
     4958/4958 [============= ] - 11s 2ms/step - loss: 0.5900 - accuracy: 0.7270
     Epoch 2/50
     4958/4958 [
                  Epoch 3/50
     4958/4958 [
                           ======] - 11s 2ms/step - loss: 0.5208 - accuracy: 0.7449
     Epoch 4/50
     4958/4958 [
                 Epoch 5/50
     4958/4958 [
                       ========] - 11s 2ms/step - loss: 0.5165 - accuracy: 0.7483
     Epoch 6/50
     4958/4958 [
                      ========] - 13s 3ms/step - loss: 0.5157 - accuracy: 0.7491
     Epoch 7/50
     4958/4958 [
                Epoch 8/50
     4958/4958 [
                      ========] - 11s 2ms/step - loss: 0.5144 - accuracy: 0.7489
     Epoch 9/50
     4958/4958 [
                   Epoch 10/50
     4958/4958 [==
              Epoch 11/50
     4958/4958 [=
                      =======] - 10s 2ms/step - loss: 0.5130 - accuracy: 0.7507
     Epoch 12/50
     4958/4958 [=========== ] - 11s 2ms/step - loss: 0.5130 - accuracy: 0.7503
     Epoch 13/50
     4958/4958 [=
                     =========] - 12s 2ms/step - loss: 0.5124 - accuracy: 0.7508
     Epoch 14/50
     4958/4958 [=
                    ======== ] - 12s 2ms/step - loss: 0.5126 - accuracy: 0.7501
     Epoch 15/50
     4958/4958 [=:
                Epoch 16/50
     4958/4958 [=
                     =======] - 12s 2ms/step - loss: 0.5121 - accuracy: 0.7509
     Epoch 17/50
                4958/4958 [=
     Epoch 18/50
                   4958/4958 [=====
```

Fig. 25. Code and output to create Nural Network using Keras.

Fig. 26. Output and accuracy of Neuro Network.

The output values from Random Forest and XGBoost are identical; the only distinction lies in their presentation format. Random Forest is visualized through a vertical bar chart, while XGBoost values are exhibited in textual representation. In the case of the Neural Network implemented with Keras, varying combinations of epochs and batch size were explored to identify the optimal accuracy. The ultimate accuracy achieved with the Neural Network stands at 75.24%.

CONCLUSION

Following the thorough analysis conducted above, it becomes evident that the models' highest accuracy reached 91%, attributed to the Bagging ensemble method. All other obtained accuracies fell below this benchmark. Therefore, the conclusion can be drawn that, for this dataset, the Bagging ensemble method excels in creating the most effective model.

REFERENCES

[1] Alphiree, "Cardiovascular diseases risk prediction dataset," Kaggle, https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/alphiree/cardiovascular-diseases-risk-prediction-dataset/data, July 2023.