The diabetes.csv comes from the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases. The objective is to predict whether or not a patient has diabetes, based on certain diagnostic measurements. All patients here are females at least 21 years old of Pima Indian heritage. The variables are

- Pregnancies The number of times pregnant
- Glucose Plasma glucose concentration at 2 hours in an oral glucose tolerance test
- BloodPressure Diastolic blood pressure (mm Hg)
- SkinThickness Triceps skin fold thickness (mm)
- Insulin 2-Hour serum insulin (mu U/ml)
- BMI Body mass index (weight in kg/(height in m)<sup>2</sup>)
- DiabetesPedigreeFunction
- Age
- Outcome (0 or 1)

Use xgboost library to construct a gradient boosting ensemble model to predict the patients outcome. Split the dataset into a train (66%) and test (33%) sets.

- a) Find the best subset of features using variable importance
- b) Track the test performance as more boosted trees are added to the ensemble. Plot the resulting learning curves and identify the best number of boosted trees.
- c) Use a window of 10 rounds to find the best number of boosted trees to the ensemble.

Also use GridSearchCV and 10-fold cross validation to find the best number of trees, their depth, and the learning rate. Whenever is needed use random\_state = 1.