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# 1 Hackathon Challenge ITADATA 2024: Predicting Customer Creditworthiness

## 1.0.1 Objective Level 1

Analyze the provided dataset of bank customers and build a predictive model to determine the likelihood of a customer repaying their debt.

```
[1]: import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
sns.set_style("darkgrid")
```

```
[2]: df = pd.read_csv("training.csv", engine="c")
```

# 2 Data Exploration

Let's see some quicly info about the dataset

```
[3]: df.info()
```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 2056160 entries, 0 to 2056159
Data columns (total 44 columns):

#	Column	Dtype
0	client_id	int64
1	product8	int64
2	product10	int64
3	product13	int64
4	product12	int64
5	product11	int64
6	product4	int64
7	product17	int64
8	product2	int64
9	product3	int64

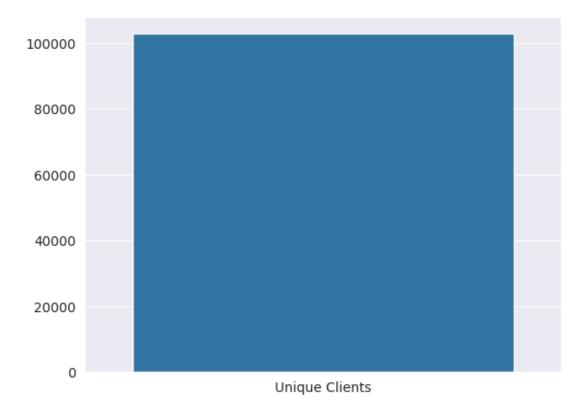
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10
    product1
                                    int64
    product7
                                    int64
 11
 12
     product6
                                    int64
 13
    product5
                                    int64
     product14
 14
                                    int64
     product15
                                    int64
     product16
                                    int64
 17
     product9
                                    int64
 18 has_products
                                    int64
                                    float64
 19
    balance
 20
    left_bank
                                    int64
     joined_bank
                                    int64
 21
     wire_transfers2_amt_inbound
                                    float64
     wire_transfers1_amt_inbound
                                    float64
                                    float64
     wire_transfers2_amt_outbound
    wire_transfers1_amt_outbound
                                   float64
 26
     counter_amt_inbound
                                    float64
 27
     counter_amt_outbound
                                    float64
 28
     securities_bought_amt
                                    float64
 29
     securities sold amt
                                    float64
     wire transfers2 num inbound
 30
                                    int64
     wire transfers1 num inbound
                                    int64
    wire_transfers2_num_outbound
                                    int64
 33
     wire_transfers1_num_outbound
                                    int64
 34
    counter_num_inbound
                                    int64
     counter_num_outbound
 35
                                    int64
 36
     securities_operations
                                    int64
 37
     securities_bought
                                    int64
 38
                                    int64
     securities_sold
     counter_amt_tot
                                    float64
 40
     counter_num_tot
                                    int64
 41
    period
                                    int64
 42
     category
                                    int64
     repays_debt
                                    int64
dtypes: float64(10), int64(34)
memory usage: 690.2 MB
```

Another important question is how many unique client there are.

```
[4]: print(f'There are {df["client_id"].unique().size} clients')
sns.barplot(x=['Unique Clients'], y=[df['client_id'].nunique()])
```

There are 102808 clients

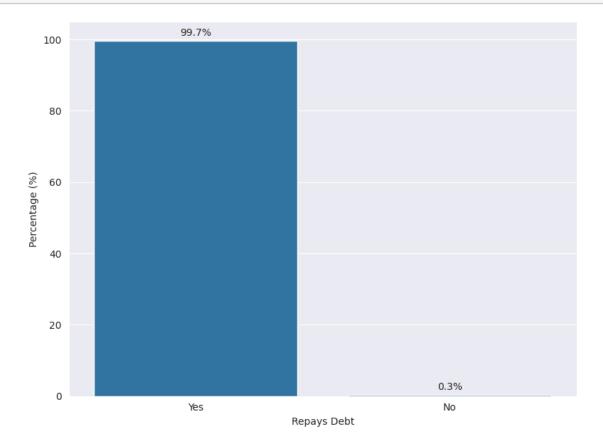
[4]: <Axes: >



The column "repays\_debt" indicate if the client is good (0) or bad (1). Let's see how many good and bad clients there are.

```
[5]: percentages = df['repays_debt'].value_counts(normalize=True) * 100
     percentages_df = pd.DataFrame({
         'repays_debt': percentages.index,
         'percentage': percentages.values
     })
     plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
     ax = sns.barplot(data=percentages_df, x='repays_debt', y='percentage')
     for p in ax.patches:
         height = p.get_height()
         ax.annotate(f'{height:.1f}%', (p.get_x() + p.get_width() / 2., height),
                     ha='center', va='center', xytext=(0, 8), textcoords='offset_
      ⇔points')
     plt.xlabel('Repays Debt')
     plt.ylabel('Percentage (%)')
     plt.ylim(0, 105)
     plt.xticks(ticks=[0, 1], labels=['Yes', 'No'])
     plt.tight_layout()
```

# plt.show()



We noticed the classes are so unbalanced, this could lead to a model that fails to be able to distinguish class 1, in particular:

```
[6]: f"The class 0 is around{df['repays_debt'].value_counts()[0] / df['repays_debt'].

ovalue_counts()[1] : .2f} times biggger than 1"
```

[6]: 'The class 0 is around 306.53 times biggger than 1'

Then, to better understand the meaning of each columns, we decide to analyze the dataset only for the first client.

```
[7]: df_first = df[df["client_id"] == df["client_id"].iloc[38]]
numeric_columns = df.select_dtypes(include=['int64', 'float64']).columns
df_first[numeric_columns]
```

[7]:	client_id	product8	product10	product13	product12	product11	product4	\
20	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
21	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
22	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	
23	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	

30	0
31	0
32	0
33	0
34	0
35	0
36	0
37	0
38	0
39	0

#### [20 rows x 44 columns]

We understand that for each customer, the values of incoming and outgoing transfers are considered, split between two sources ('wire\_transfers1\_amt\_inbound', 'wire\_transfers2\_amt\_inbound' for incoming and 'wire\_transfers1\_amt\_outbound', 'wire\_transfers2\_amt\_outbound' for outgoing). These characteristics are associated with the respective counts, i.e. the number of wire transfers made ("wire\_transfers\*\_num\_inbound", "wire\_transfers\*\_num\_outbound"). And there is also a column which sum up these last two columns.

Over-the-counter transactions are also taken into account, both deposits ('counter\_amt\_inbound') and withdrawals ('counter\_amt\_outbound'), with their respective counts ('counter\_num\_inbound' and 'counter\_num\_outbound'). Also for these exists a column which sum up them. Instead, "counter\_amt\_tot" is the sum of "counter\_amt\_inbound" and "counter\_amt\_outbound".

Then we look for missing values.

### [8]: df.isna().sum()

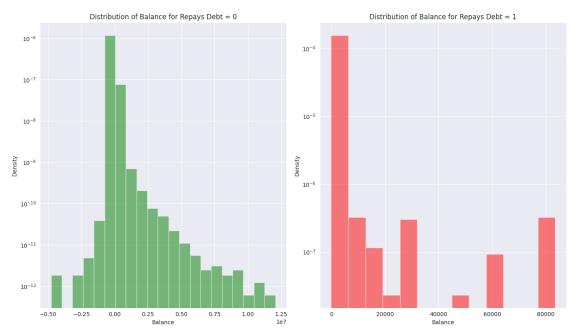
[8]:	client_id	0
	product8	0
	product10	0
	product13	0
	product12	0
	product11	0
	product4	0
	product17	0
	product2	0
	product3	0
	product1	0
	product7	0
	product6	0
	product5	0
	product14	0
	product15	0
	product16	0
	product9	0
	has_products	0

```
balance
                                 0
left_bank
                                 0
joined_bank
                                 0
                                 0
wire_transfers2_amt_inbound
wire_transfers1_amt_inbound
                                 0
wire_transfers2_amt_outbound
                                 0
wire_transfers1_amt_outbound
                                 0
                                 0
counter_amt_inbound
counter amt outbound
                                 0
securities_bought_amt
                                 0
securities sold amt
                                 0
wire_transfers2_num_inbound
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wire_transfers1_num_inbound
                                 0
wire_transfers2_num_outbound
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                                 0
wire_transfers1_num_outbound
                                 0
counter_num_inbound
                                 0
counter_num_outbound
                                 0
securities_operations
                                 0
securities_bought
                                 0
securities_sold
                                 0
counter_amt_tot
                                 0
counter_num_tot
                                 0
period
                                 0
category
                                 0
repays_debt
dtype: int64
```

There are no missing values.

We check the balance distribution according to 'repays\_debt'. Since we noticed an imbalance before, we are interested to find out if it also happens with this feature.

```
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```

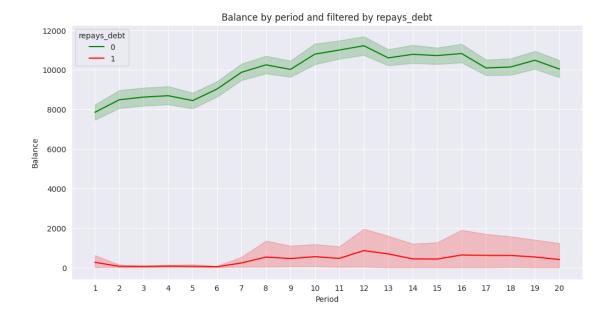


For good clients, we observe a rather asymmetric distribution, with a significantly lower density of values around the zero balance compared to the other category. This suggests that the client's overall activity is variable over different periods and rarely remains at zero. This likely implies a positive correlation with repaying their debt.

For bad clients, the asymmetry is much more pronounced, and the range of values is also completely different. The number of balances around zero is two orders of magnitude higher compared to good clients. This leads us to believe that, across different periods, almost zero activity on their account is indicative of a bad client.

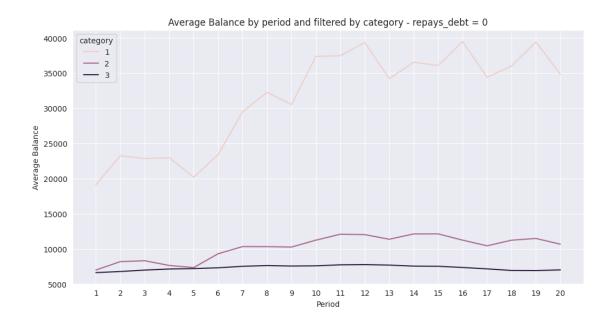
Additionally, we consistently observe that the classes are imbalanced.

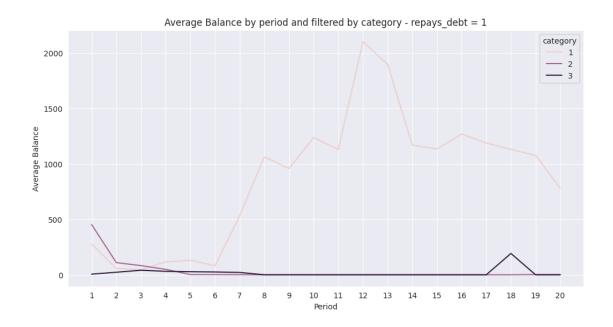
Now, let's analyze the balance trend per period to evaluate our previous hypothesis.



For both good and bad clients, the balance trend fluctuates over time, although the range is clearly different. It's precisely the significant difference in range that could establish a decision criterion.

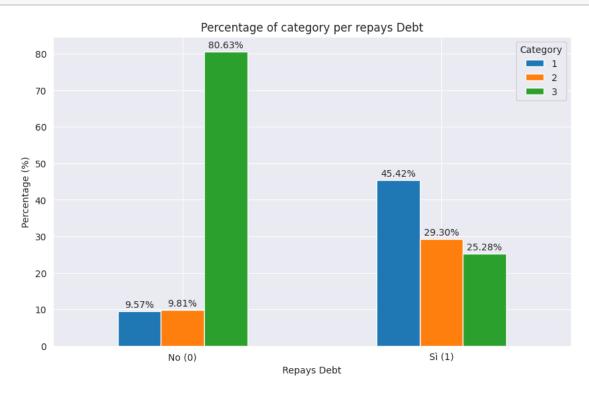
To further confirm our idea, let's proceed to analyze the trend of average balance over time and for each client category.





Our initial hypothesis is confirmed: even across different categories, if the balance remains at zero for various periods, the client will not be able to repay their debt. Category 1, which belongs to firm accounts, does not show a nearly zero balance, but it's an unusual balance for a firm account. Additionally, as mentioned earlier, the range is significantly different compared to good clients.

At this point, we wonder if belonging to a specific category implies a higher probability of repaying the debt.



Keeping in mind that repays\_debt=0 corresponds to a good client and repays\_debt=1 corresponds to a bad client, we observe that: - Good clients mostly belong to category 3. We could almost deduce a correlation between belonging to category 3 and being a good client. - Bad clients, on the other hand, show a distribution without any significant peaks. Therefore, we can't draw any conclusions.

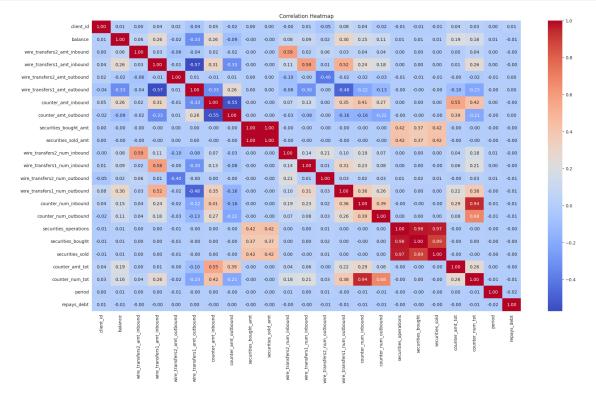
```
[13]: # Type Conversion for Dataset Columns
    columns_tobe_bool = [f"product{i}" for i in range(1, 18)]
    columns_tobe_bool.extend(['has_products', 'left_bank', 'joined_bank'])
    df[columns_tobe_bool] = df[columns_tobe_bool].astype(bool)
    df['category'] = df['category'].astype("category")
```

Per una visione di insieme si effettua una heatmap, ossia una matrice di correlazione lineare per individuare particolari legami tra le variabili numeriche

```
[14]: numeric_cols = df.select_dtypes(include=['number']).columns

correlation_matrix = df[numeric_cols].corr()

plt.figure(figsize=(22, 12))
    sns.heatmap(correlation_matrix, annot=True, cmap='coolwarm', fmt=".2f")
    plt.title("Correlation Heatmap")
    plt.show()
```



We print out the features with a correlation exceeding a certain threshold.

```
Most Correlated Features (with |Correlation| > 0.70):
securities_bought_amt and securities_sold_amt: 1.00
securities_operations and securities_bought: 0.98
securities_operations and securities_sold: 0.97
counter_num_inbound and counter_num_tot: 0.94
securities_bought and securities_sold: 0.89
```

No surprise there, it makes sense that the mentioned features have a strong correlation since they depend on each other.

# 3 Data Preprocessing

```
[17]: train_df = pd.read_csv('training.csv', engine="c")
  test_df = pd.read_csv('test.csv', engine="c")
```

After performing one-hot encoding and preparing the training set, we proceed with data balancing. This is necessary because the size of one class is significantly larger than the other, so the resulting model wouldn't be able to distinguish the minority class. After this operation, the size of both classes will be the same.

Next, we remove rows with unknown target from the test set. This way, we can evaluate the model's performance on known data. Rows containing missing values are set aside to make predictions on them later (X to predict).

Finally, we standardize the data so that it falls within a reduced range of values, which the model can handle better.

```
[18]: train_data = pd.get_dummies(train_df, columns=['category', "period"],

drop_first=True)

      test_data = pd.get_dummies(test_df, columns=['category', "period"],__
       ⇔drop first=True)
      # Train and target are separeted
      X_train = train_data.drop('repays_debt', axis=1)
      y_train = train_data['repays_debt']
      undersampler = RandomUnderSampler(random_state=42)
      X_train_resampled, y_train_resampled = undersampler.fit_resample(X_train,_
       →y train)
      # To evaluate the model, we only select rows for which there are no missing
       ⇔values.
      # Those with missing values, i.e. those for which predictions are to be made, __
       ⇔are set aside.
      X_test = test_data[test_data["repays_debt"] != "??"].drop(['repays_debt'],_
       ⇒axis=1)
      y_test = test_data[test_data["repays_debt"] != "??"]["repays_debt"].
       →reset_index(drop=True).astype(int)
      X_to_predict = test_data[test_data["repays_debt"] == "??"].

¬drop(['repays_debt'], axis=1)
      scaler = StandardScaler()
      X train resampled standard = scaler.fit_transform(X_train_resampled)
      X_test_standard = scaler.transform(X_test)
      X_to_predict_standard = scaler.transform(X_to_predict)
```

# 4 Model Development

Initially, we conducted numerous trials with the SGDClassifier, but after several attempts, we decided to use an ensemble model: RandomForest. We initially trained this model without setting any hyperparameters, achieving an F1 score of 0.7092. Then after some trials we got our best, which give us an F1 score of 0.7188.

All the reported F2 scores are taken from the leaderbord.

```
[23]: ###### F1 0.7092

# model = RandomForestClassifier(random_state=42)

# F1 0.7171 with period column dummy

# model = RandomForestClassifier(random_state=177, max_depth=50, or max_features="log2", min_samples_split=6, n_estimators=800)

# F1 0.7188 with period column dummy
```

```
model = RandomForestClassifier(random_state=177, max_depth=70, max_features="log2", min_samples_split=9, n_estimators=1000)

# Try with period not dummy
# model = RandomForestClassifier(random_state=177, max_depth=90, max_features="sqrt", min_samples_split=9, n_estimators=1000)

model.fit(X_train_resampled_standard, y_train_resampled)
y_pred = model.predict(X_test_standard)
f1 = f1_score(y_test, y_pred)
print(f'F1 Score: {f1}')
```

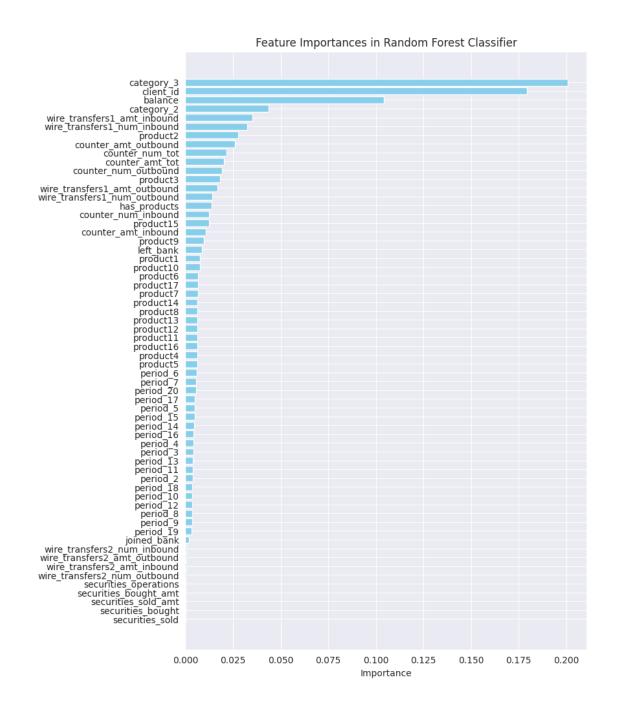
#### F1 Score: 0.7195366451325462

To improve the model's performance, we set up a gridsearch to find the best combination of hyperparameters. But unfortunately we could not achieve significantly better results.

```
[21]: # model = RandomForestClassifier(random_state=177)
      # param_grid = {
            'n estimators': [800, 1000],
            'max_features': ['sqrt', 'log2'],
            'max_depth': [50, 55, 60],
            'min_samples_split': [5, 6, 7],
      # }
      # grid_search = GridSearchCV(estimator=model, param_grid=param_grid,
                                   cv=6, n jobs=-1, verbose=2, scoring='f1')
      #
      # grid search.fit(X train resampled standard, y train resampled)
      # best_model = grid_search.best_estimator_
      # best_params = grid_search.best_params_
      # best_score = grid_search.best_score_
      # print("Best Parameters:", best_params)
      # print("Best F1 Score:", best_score)
      # y_pred = best_model.predict(X_test_standard)
      # f1 = f1\_score(y\_test, y\_pred)
      # print(f'F1 Score on Test Set: {f1}')
```

Using the model itself, we proceed to check which features are most important.

```
[24]: importances = model.feature_importances_
feature_names = X_train_resampled.columns
```



```
[25]: importances = model.feature_importances_
    feature_names = X_train_resampled.columns
    important_features = sorted(zip(importances, feature_names), reverse=True)
    print("Important features:")
    for importance, feature in important_features:
        if importance > 0.015:
            print(f"{feature}: {importance}")
```

Important features:

category\_3: 0.20076629380709962
client\_id: 0.17928930313822078
balance: 0.10424168572314513
category 2: 0.043759441163226664

wire\_transfers1\_amt\_inbound: 0.035175227570706076
wire\_transfers1\_num\_inbound: 0.0324929788586788

product2: 0.027864916782936396

 $\verb"counter_amt_outbound: 0.02610349172404138"$ 

counter\_num\_tot: 0.02164268276893476
counter\_amt\_tot: 0.020210400703701965
counter\_num\_outbound: 0.019055324393827615

product3: 0.018224849476672234

wire\_transfers1\_amt\_outbound: 0.016769499694172203

Output features of the model with the best F1 score:

• category 3: 0.20076629380709962

• client id: 0.17928930313822078

• balance: 0.10424168572314513

• category 2: 0.043759441163226664

• wire transfers1 amt inbound: 0.035175227570706076

• wire transfers1 num inbound: 0.0324929788586788

• product2: 0.027864916782936396

• counter amt outbound: 0.02610349172404138

• counter num tot: 0.02164268276893476

• counter amt tot: 0.020210400703701965

• counter num outbound: 0.019055324393827615

• product3: 0.018224849476672234

• wire transfers1 amt outbound: 0.016769499694172203

#### Comment:

- category\_3 influences as previously imagined during the analysis. Indeed, we saw that those belonging to that category usually repay the debt.
- client\_id: knowing the owner's creditworthiness a priori definitely provides insights into their chances of repaying the debt, without necessarily analyzing other characteristics. Therefore, the other characteristics associated with a random client hold less weight if linked to a client\_id that we know will not repay the debt.
- balance, as expected, is the first numerical variable of major importance.

So far, our model has only been trained on a small part of the data because the classes are unbalanced. The following strategy is to use a set of Random Forests trained on different samples of the starting dataset, so that the classes are balanced but the data in the training are different each time. Finally, these models are put together using a VotingClassifier in 'soft' mode, so that better performance can be achieved by giving more weight to the most important votes.

Now we are going to apply the same transformation as before.

```
[]: train_data = pd.get_dummies(train_df, columns=['category', 'period'],

drop_first=True)

     test_data = pd.get_dummies(test_df, columns=['category', 'period'],__

drop first=True)

     X_train = train_data.drop('repays_debt', axis=1)
     y_train = train_data['repays_debt']
     X_test = test_data[test_data["repays_debt"] != "??"].drop(['repays_debt'],__
     ⇒axis=1)
     y_test = test_data[test_data["repays_debt"] != "??"]["repays_debt"].
      →reset index(drop=True).astype(int)
     X_to_predict = test_data[test_data["repays_debt"] == "??"].

drop(['repays_debt'], axis=1)
     n_models = 8 # Number of models in the voting
     models = []
     for i in range(n_models):
         undersampler = RandomUnderSampler(random_state=42 + i)
         X_train_resampled, y_train_resampled = undersampler.fit_resample(X_train,_u

y_train)

         scaler = StandardScaler()
         X_train_resampled_standard = scaler.fit_transform(X_train_resampled)
         # Use the Random Forest with the best parameters we obtain until now
         model = RandomForestClassifier(random_state=1177 + i, max_depth=70,__
      max_features="log2", min_samples_split=9, n_estimators=1000)
         model.fit(X_train_resampled_standard, y_train_resampled)
         models.append(('rf' + str(i), model))
     voting clf = VotingClassifier(estimators=models, voting='soft')
     voting_clf.fit(X_train_resampled_standard, y_train_resampled)
     X_test_standard = scaler.transform(X_test)
     X_to_predict_standard = scaler.transform(X_to_predict)
     y_pred_test = voting_clf.predict(X_test_standard)
     y_pred_to_predict = voting_clf.predict(X_to_predict_standard)
     f1 = f1_score(y_test, y_pred_test)
     print(f"F1 Score on Test Data: {f1}")
```

```
[26]: # Prediction of missing test set values
# y_to_send = model.predict(X_to_predict_standard)
y_to_send = pd.DataFrame(columns=["Label"], data=y_pred_to_predict)
y_to_send.to_csv('predictions.csv', index=False)
```

Despite the acceptable performance achieved previously, we proceed with another model that leverages boosting instead of bagging.

F1 Score: 0.7723440134907251

Unfortunately, the situation has not improved. The F1 level obtained has remained more or less constant.

```
[28]: y_to_send = modelG.predict(X_to_predict_standard)
y_to_send = pd.DataFrame(columns=["Label"], data=y_to_send)
# y_to_send.to_csv('predictions_40.csv', index=False)
```

## 5 Task 2

Base on what we learned previously the most important features, according to the Random Forest, are: - client id - category - period

So, since now we have to predict always the same period as before but without actually knowing datas like balance, counter\_num and others. We are going to build a new training set and of course a new test set, where there are only the most important columns mentioned before.

```
[30]: train_df_2 = pd.read_csv('training.csv', engine="c")
test_df_2 = pd.read_csv('test.csv', engine="c")
```

Keep only our columns

```
[31]: train_data_2 = train_df_2[["period", "category", "client_id", "repays_debt"]] test_data_2 = test_df_2[["period", "category", "client_id", "repays_debt"]]
```

```
[32]: # Train and target are separeted
X_train_2 = train_data_2.drop('repays_debt', axis=1)
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```
y_train_2 = train_data_2['repays_debt']
undersampler 2 = RandomUnderSampler(random_state=42) #, sampling strateqy=0.5)
X_train_resampled_2, y_train_resampled_2 = undersampler_2.

→fit_resample(X_train_2, y_train_2)
# To evaluate the model, we only select rows for which there are no missing \Box
⇔values.
# Those with missing values, i.e. those for which predictions are to be made, __
 ⇔are set aside.
X_test_2 = test_data_2[test_data_2["repays_debt"] != "??"].

drop(['repays_debt'], axis=1)
y_test_2 = test_data_2[test_data_2["repays_debt"] != "??"]["repays_debt"].
 →reset_index(drop=True).astype(int)
X_to_predict_2 = test_data_2[test_data_2["repays_debt"] == "??"].

¬drop(['repays_debt'], axis=1)
scaler_2 = StandardScaler()
X train resampled standard 2 = scaler 2.fit transform(X train resampled 2)
X_test_standard_2 = scaler_2.transform(X_test_2)
X_to_predict_standard_2 = scaler_2.transform(X_to_predict_2)
```

First we try always with the Random Forest, with the same hyperparameters as before.

#### F1 Score: 0.4551769765133973

Having failed to achieve an acceptable result, we return to our initial choice using SGDClassifier. That is actually our better result.

```
[34]: # Best F1 score 0.6098
modelS = SGDClassifier(random_state=177, n_jobs=-1)

modelS.fit(X_train_resampled_standard_2, y_train_resampled_2)
y_pred_2 = modelS.predict(X_test_standard_2)
f1 = f1_score(y_test_2, y_pred_2)

print(f'F1 Score: {f1}')
#0.49165151264671847
```

## F1 Score: 0.49165151264671847

```
[35]: y_to_send = modelS.predict(X_to_predict_standard_2)
y_to_send = pd.DataFrame(columns=["Label"], data=y_to_send)
y_to_send.to_csv('2predictions.csv', index=False)
```