# **Capstone Project - Predicting Commercial Fishing Habits**

#### Overview of Process - CRISP-DM

- 1. Business Understanding
- 2. Data Understanding
- 3. Data Preparation
- 4. Modeling
- 5. Evaluation
- 6. Deployment

### 1. Business Understanding

According to NOAA, "illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing activities ( IUU ) violate both national and international fishing regulations. IUU is a global problem that threatens ocean ecosystems and sustainable fisheries. It also threatens economic secuity and the natural resources that are critical to global food security. IUU also puts law-abiding fishing operations at a disadvantage."

While the ramifications of unregulated and illegal fishing operations are fairly clear, monitoring the open oceans is less clear. Vast areas of open ocean and limited resources makes physical surveillance and monitoring of protected fishing areas impractical. A classifier that is able to tag vessels based on current fishing status would enable policy makers and regulators to keep a better watch on fishing fleets. Additionally, vessels tagged as fishing could have location cross-referenced with protected marine areas and illegal fishing zones to further identify illegal fishing activity.

AIS stands for Automatic Identification System, and is used for tracking marine vessel traffic data. AIS data is collected by the US Coast Guard through an onboard safety navigation device that transmits and monitors the location and characteristics of large vessels in the US and international waters in real time. In the United States, the Coast Guard and commercial vendors collect AIS data, which can also be used for a variety of coastal planning initiatives. <a href="https://marinecadastre.gov/ais/">https://marinecadastre.gov/ais/</a>)

AIS is a maritime navigation safety communications system standardized by the international telecommunications union and adopted by the International Maritime Organization (IMO) that provides vessel information, including the vessel's identity, type, position, course, speed, navigational status and other safety-related information automatically to appropriately equipped shore stations, other ships, and aircraft; receives automatically such information from similarly fitted ships; monitors and tracks ships; and exchanges data with shore-based facilities. More information can be found here <a href="https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=AISFAQ#1">https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=AISFAQ#1</a> (https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=AISFAQ#1)

In addition to AIS data, vessels likely make decisions based on current water conditions, as these conditions impact their ultimate supply of fish. Coupling AIS data with public ocean information like depth, salinity measurements, etc. will hopefully provide strong classification results.

In conclusion, AIS data will be merged with Ocean Station Data to build a classifier that is able to determine whether or not a vessel is fishing.

### 2. Data Understanding

- 1. What data is available to us? Where does it come from?
- 2. Who controls the data and what steps are needed to access the data?
- 3. What is our target?
- 4. What predictors are available to us?
- 5. What data types are the predictors?
- 6. What is the distribution of our data?
- 7. How big is our data?
- 8. Do we have enough data to build a model? Will we need to use resampling?
- 9. How do we know the data is correct? Is there a chance the data is wrong?

Two primary datasets will be used for this process:

- 1. Vessel AIS data sourced from Global Fishing Watch
- 2. Various ocean measurements and Ocean Station Data sourced from NOAA and the World Ocean Database

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In [1]: # import necessary libraries
   import pandas as pd
   import numpy as np
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
   %matplotlib inline
   import seaborn as sns
   from datetime import datetime
   from shapely.geometry import Point
   import geopandas as gpd
   from geopandas import GeoDataFrame
   import time

# set visualization style
   plt.style.use('ggplot')
```

### **AIS Data (Global Fishing Watch)**

Global fishing watch dataset was sourced from https://globalfishingwatch.org/data-download/. 7 separate files were downloaded, each corresponding to a type of fishing vessel:

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    drifting_longlines.csv
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- 2. fixed gear.csv
- 3. pole and line.csv

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4. purse_seines.csv5. trawlers.csv6. trollers.csv7. unknown.csv
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In [2]: # load datasets
    drifting_longlines = pd.read_csv('datasets/drifting_longlines.csv')
    fixed_gear = pd.read_csv('datasets/fixed_gear.csv')
    pole_and_line = pd.read_csv('datasets/pole_and_line.csv')
    purse_seines = pd.read_csv('datasets/purse_seines.csv')
    trawlers = pd.read_csv('datasets/trawlers.csv')
    trollers = pd.read_csv('datasets/trollers.csv')
    unknown = pd.read_csv('datasets/unknown.csv')
```

Per Global Fishing Watch each dataset contains the following columns:

- mmsi anonymized vessel identifier
- timestamp unix timestamp
- distance\_from\_shore distance from shore in meters
- distance\_from\_port distance from port in meters
- speed vessel speed in knots
- course vessel course
- lat latitude in decimal degrees
- · long longitude in decimal degrees
- source The training data batch. Data was prepared by GFW, Dalhousie, and a crowd sourcing campaign. False positives are marked as false\_positives
- vessel type type of vessel
- is fishing label indicating fishing activity
  - 0 = not fishing
  - >0 = fishing. Data values between 0 and 1 indicate the average score for the position if scored by multiple people
  - -1 = no data.

is\_fishing will be our primary target variable, with other columns available to us used as features.

### **AIS - Drifting Longlines**

In [3]: # display top 5 rows
drifting\_longlines.head()

#### Out[3]:

	mmsi	timestamp	distance_from_shore	distance_from_port	speed	course	
0	1.263956e+13	1.327137e+09	232994.281250	311748.65625	8.2	230.500000	14.865
1	1.263956e+13	1.327137e+09	233994.265625	312410.34375	7.3	238.399994	14.863
2	1.263956e+13	1.327137e+09	233994.265625	312410.34375	6.8	238.899994	14.861
3	1.263956e+13	1.327143e+09	233994.265625	315417.37500	6.9	251.800003	14.8220
4	1.263956e+13	1.327143e+09	233996.390625	316172.56250	6.1	231.100006	14.821

### In [4]: # display info

drifting\_longlines.info()

memory usage: 1.0+ GB

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 13968727 entries, 0 to 13968726

Data columns (total 10 columns):

#	Column	Dtype
0	mmsi	float64
1	timestamp	float64
2	distance_from_shore	float64
3	distance_from_port	float64
4	speed	float64
5	course	float64
6	lat	float64
7	lon	float64
8	is_fishing	float64
9	source	object
dtype	es: float64(9), object	t(1)

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#### Out[5]:

	mmsi	timestamp	distance_from_shore	distance_from_port	speed	С
count	1.396873e+07	1.396873e+07	1.396873e+07	1.396873e+07	1.396863e+07	1.39686
mean	1.293850e+14	1.434290e+09	5.845311e+05	7.897505e+05	5.464779e+00	1.81487
std	7.887357e+13	3.984275e+07	5.420068e+05	6.915438e+05	4.043567e+00	1.05050
min	5.601266e+12	1.325376e+09	0.000000e+00	0.000000e+00	0.000000e+00	0.00000
25%	6.260384e+13	1.410706e+09	1.019092e+05	2.130206e+05	2.100000e+00	9.07000
50%	1.184859e+14	1.447302e+09	4.576393e+05	6.375249e+05	5.500000e+00	1.81100
75%	1.980758e+14	1.466506e+09	9.603664e+05	1.210432e+06	8.500000e+00	2.71100
max	2.812058e+14	1.480032e+09	4.430996e+06	7.181037e+06	1.023000e+02	5.11000

There are 110 unique anonymized vessel IDs

#### **AIS - Fixed Gear**

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In [7]: # display top 5 rows
fixed_gear.head()
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#### Out[7]:

	mmsi	timestamp	distance_from_shore	distance_from_port	speed	course	
0	7.572519e+12	1.347664e+09	0.0	36054.625000	0.0	0.000000	42.798
1	7.572519e+12	1.348056e+09	0.0	36054.625000	0.0	0.000000	42.798
2	7.572519e+12	1.350409e+09	0.0	90970.296875	0.0	198.199997	43.106
3	7.572519e+12	1.350410e+09	0.0	90970.296875	0.0	186.899994	43.106
4	7.572519e+12	1.350411e+09	0.0	90970.296875	0.0	190.500000	43.106

# In [8]: # display info fixed\_gear.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 1559137 entries, 0 to 1559136
Data columns (total 10 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	mmsi	1559137 non-null	float64
1	timestamp	1559137 non-null	float64
2	distance_from_shore	1559137 non-null	float64
3	distance_from_port	1559137 non-null	float64
4	speed	1559137 non-null	float64
5	course	1559137 non-null	float64
6	lat	1559137 non-null	float64
7	lon	1559137 non-null	float64
8	is_fishing	1559137 non-null	float64
9	source	1559137 non-null	object

dtypes: float64(9), object(1)
memory usage: 119.0+ MB

In [9]: # display summary stats for cont. columns
fixed\_gear.describe()

#### Out[9]:

	mmsi	timestamp	distance_from_shore	distance_from_port	speed	С
count	1.559137e+06	1.559137e+06	1.559137e+06	1.559137e+06	1.559137e+06	1.55913
mean	1.530752e+14	1.421486e+09	3.761878e+04	5.989848e+04	2.227195e+00	1.87793
std	8.976383e+13	3.782830e+07	1.090188e+05	1.269729e+05	3.412790e+00	1.17750
min	7.572519e+12	1.325625e+09	0.000000e+00	0.000000e+00	0.000000e+00	0.00000
25%	8.878018e+13	1.387594e+09	0.000000e+00	5.656715e+03	0.000000e+00	7.74000
50%	1.305289e+14	1.427254e+09	0.000000e+00	2.690659e+04	1.000000e-01	2.05500
75%	2.616830e+14	1.455255e+09	3.413126e+04	5.514391e+04	3.800000e+00	2.87000
max	2.802913e+14	1.480032e+09	3.099833e+06	1.181676e+07	1.023000e+02	5.11000

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In [10]: # display number of unique vessels
fixed_gear_ids = fixed_gear['mmsi'].unique()
print(f'There are {len(fixed_gear_ids)} unique anonymized vessel IDs')
```

There are 36 unique anonymized vessel IDs

#### AIS - Pole and Line

In [11]: # display top 5 rows
pole\_and\_line.head()

#### Out[11]:

	mmsi	timestamp	distance_from_shore	distance_from_port	speed	course	
(	1.848346e+13	1.340882e+09	0.000000	2236.013184	0.0	0.000000	28.967
1	1.848346e+13	1.340884e+09	0.000000	2236.013184	0.0	125.199997	28.967
2	1.848346e+13	1.340885e+09	0.000000	2236.013184	0.0	0.000000	28.967
3	1.848346e+13	1.340888e+09	0.000000	2236.013184	0.0	0.000000	28.967
4	1.848346e+13	1.340925e+09	1999.950928	2828.357666	8.7	203.100006	28.929

# In [12]: # display info pole\_and\_line.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 161315 entries, 0 to 161314
Data columns (total 10 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	mmsi	161315 non-null	float64
1	timestamp	161315 non-null	float64
2	distance_from_shore	161315 non-null	float64
3	distance_from_port	161315 non-null	float64
4	speed	161315 non-null	float64
5	course	161315 non-null	float64
6	lat	161315 non-null	float64
7	lon	161315 non-null	float64
8	is_fishing	161315 non-null	float64
9	source	161315 non-null	object

dtypes: float64(9), object(1)

memory usage: 12.3+ MB

# In [13]: # display summary stats for cont columns pole\_and\_line.describe()

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	mmsi	timestamp	distance_from_shore	distance_from_port	speed	
count	1.613150e+05	1.613150e+05	1.613150e+05	1.613150e+05	161315.000000	161315
mean	7.659841e+13	1.414174e+09	4.894434e+04	7.383040e+04	2.111584	132
std	5.740577e+13	4.300647e+07	2.036499e+05	2.333604e+05	3.696588	117
min	1.848346e+13	1.327882e+09	0.000000e+00	0.000000e+00	0.000000	0
25%	1.848346e+13	1.368384e+09	0.000000e+00	2.236013e+03	0.000000	3
50%	8.703142e+13	1.423536e+09	0.000000e+00	1.442185e+04	0.000000	115
75%	8.703142e+13	1.456109e+09	2.280295e+04	5.324341e+04	1.800000	228
max	2.145727e+14	1.480031e+09	2.110362e+06	3.005100e+06	102.300003	360

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In [14]: # number of unique vessels
    pole_and_line_ids = pole_and_line['mmsi'].unique()
    print(f'There are {len(pole_and_line_ids)} unique anonymized vessel IDs')
```

There are 6 unique anonymized vessel IDs

#### **AIS - Purse Seines**

In [15]: # display top 5 rows
purse\_seines.head()

#### Out[15]:

	mmsi	timestamp	distance_from_shore	distance_from_port	speed	course	I
0	9.924005e+12	1.379601e+09	0.0	1414.178833	0.0	298.500000	8.8615
1	9.924005e+12	1.379602e+09	0.0	1414.178833	0.0	298.500000	8.8615
2	9.924005e+12	1.379604e+09	0.0	1414.178833	0.1	128.399994	8.8615
3	9.924005e+12	1.379605e+09	0.0	1414.178833	0.1	111.199997	8.8615
4	9.924005e+12	1.379608e+09	0.0	1414.178833	0.0	41.700001	8.8615

## In [16]: # display info purse\_seines.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 1545323 entries, 0 to 1545322
Data columns (total 10 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	mmsi	1545323 non-null	float64
1	timestamp	1545323 non-null	float64
2	distance_from_shore	1545323 non-null	float64
3	distance_from_port	1545323 non-null	float64
4	speed	1545316 non-null	float64
5	course	1545316 non-null	float64
6	lat	1545323 non-null	float64
7	lon	1545323 non-null	float64
8	is_fishing	1545323 non-null	float64
9	source	1545323 non-null	object

dtypes: float64(9), object(1)
memory usage: 117.9+ MB

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## In [17]: # summary stats for cont. columns purse seines.describe()

#### Out[17]:

	mmsi	timestamp	distance_from_shore	distance_from_port	speed	С
count	1.545323e+06	1.545323e+06	1.545323e+06	1.545323e+06	1.545316e+06	1.54531
mean	8.788081e+13	1.431543e+09	2.301199e+05	3.420745e+05	5.119294e+00	1.90594
std	6.522389e+13	3.645865e+07	3.841463e+05	5.070968e+05	5.593512e+00	1.04256
min	9.924005e+12	1.325378e+09	0.000000e+00	0.000000e+00	0.000000e+00	0.00000
25%	3.832297e+13	1.409017e+09	0.000000e+00	8.062060e+03	1.000000e-01	9.82000
50%	5.966517e+13	1.438458e+09	4.049592e+04	9.693059e+04	1.300000e+00	2.03400
75%	1.583170e+14	1.462147e+09	2.866600e+05	4.934421e+05	1.120000e+01	2.79100
max	2.679667e+14	1.480032e+09	2.315626e+06	6.728604e+06	1.023000e+02	5.11000

```
In [18]: # number of unique vessels
    purse_seine_ids = purse_seines['mmsi'].unique()
    print(f'There are {len(purse_seine_ids)} unique anonymized vessel IDs')
```

There are 28 unique anonymized vessel IDs

#### **AIS - Trawlers**

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In [19]: # display top 5 rows
trawlers.head()
```

#### Out[19]:

	mmsi	timestamp	distance_from_shore	distance_from_port	speed	course	lat
0	1.252340e+12	1.325376e+09	0.0	0.0	0.0	153.0	52.458649
1	1.252340e+12	1.325378e+09	0.0	0.0	0.0	153.0	52.458668
2	1.252340e+12	1.325379e+09	0.0	0.0	0.0	153.0	52.458633
3	1.252340e+12	1.325380e+09	0.0	0.0	0.0	153.0	52.458649
4	1.252340e+12	1.325381e+09	0.0	0.0	0.0	153.0	52.458649

## In [20]: # display info trawlers.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 4369101 entries, 0 to 4369100
Data columns (total 10 columns):

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Column
                          Dtype
    _____
                          ____
    mmsi
0
                          float64
1
    timestamp
                          float64
2
    distance from shore float64
3
    distance_from_port
                          float64
4
    speed
                          float64
5
    course
                          float64
6
    lat
                          float64
7
    lon
                          float64
    is fishing
                          float64
8
     source
                          object
dtypes: float64(9), object(1)
```

memory usage: 333.3+ MB

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In [21]: # summary stats for cont. columns
trawlers.describe()

#### Out[21]:

	mmsi	timestamp	distance_from_shore	distance_from_port	speed	С
count	4.369101e+06	4.369101e+06	4.369101e+06	4.369101e+06	4.369023e+06	4.36902
mean	1.578952e+14	1.426220e+09	7.819802e+04	1.496648e+05	2.972401e+00	1.74404
std	9.494779e+13	3.876472e+07	2.040747e+05	3.279532e+05	4.105081e+00	1.15470
min	1.252340e+12	1.325376e+09	0.000000e+00	0.000000e+00	0.000000e+00	0.00000
25%	7.726193e+13	1.397205e+09	0.000000e+00	2.236013e+03	0.000000e+00	6.48000
50%	1.753874e+14	1.434811e+09	4.242537e+03	3.605462e+04	1.500000e+00	1.87000
75%	2.402260e+14	1.458922e+09	5.578393e+04	9.608094e+04	4.500000e+00	2.76000
max	2.775153e+14	1.480032e+09	3.257453e+06	1.245220e+07	1.023000e+02	5.11000

```
In [22]: # number of unique vessels
    trawlers_ids = trawlers['mmsi'].unique()
    print(f'There are {len(trawlers_ids)} unique anonymized vessel IDs')
```

There are 49 unique anonymized vessel IDs

#### **AIS - Trollers**

### In [23]: # display top 5 rows trollers.head()

#### Out[23]:

	mmsi	timestamp	distance_from_shore	distance_from_port	speed	course	
0	7.652701e+13	1.337836e+09	0.0	3162.200195	0.0	0.000000	51.887
1	7.652701e+13	1.338199e+09	0.0	4999.877441	0.0	0.000000	51.242
2	7.652701e+13	1.343752e+09	0.0	66308.250000	8.6	292.200012	51.960
3	7.652701e+13	1.350795e+09	0.0	15296.682617	0.0	0.000000	51.2310
4	7.652701e+13	1.351808e+09	0.0	15296.682617	0.0	0.000000	51.2310

```
In [24]: # display info
trollers.info()
```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 166243 entries, 0 to 166242
Data columns (total 10 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	mmsi	166243 non-null	float64
1	timestamp	166243 non-null	float64
2	distance_from_shore	166243 non-null	float64
3	distance_from_port	166243 non-null	float64
4	speed	166243 non-null	float64
5	course	166243 non-null	float64
6	lat	166243 non-null	float64
7	lon	166243 non-null	float64
8	is_fishing	166243 non-null	float64
9	source	166243 non-null	object

dtypes: float64(9), object(1)

memory usage: 12.7+ MB

# In [25]: # summary stats of cont. columns trollers.describe()

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	mmsi	timestamp	distance_from_shore	distance_from_port	speed	
count	1.662430e+05	1.662430e+05	166243.000000	1.662430e+05	166243.000000	166243
mean	1.486917e+14	1.426558e+09	5116.678753	1.508669e+04	1.343616	147
std	6.043265e+13	4.044695e+07	13921.012902	2.049972e+04	2.719976	124
min	7.652701e+13	1.325625e+09	0.000000	0.000000e+00	0.000000	0
25%	1.129409e+14	1.405839e+09	0.000000	1.414179e+03	0.000000	0
50%	1.129409e+14	1.436347e+09	999.975464	6.708039e+03	0.000000	174
75%	1.670724e+14	1.461682e+09	999.975464	1.749243e+04	0.400000	252
max	2.740638e+14	1.480032e+09	97742.171875	1.441175e+06	102.300003	360

```
In [26]: # number of unique vessels
trollers_ids = trollers['mmsi'].unique()
print(f'There are {len(trollers_ids)} unique anonymized vessel IDs')
```

There are 5 unique anonymized vessel IDs

#### **AIS - Unknown Vessels**

## In [27]: # display top 5 rows unknown.head()

#### Out[27]:

	mmsi	timestamp	distance_from_shore	distance_from_port	speed	course	la
0	1.833071e+14	1.343786e+09	314242.1875	538727.93750	13.1	62.700001	2.23079
1	1.833071e+14	1.343786e+09	314242.1875	538727.93750	13.8	65.199997	2.23235
2	1.833071e+14	1.343792e+09	343947.9375	513526.09375	13.0	61.700001	2.41078
3	1.833071e+14	1.343799e+09	369211.7500	491134.56250	13.4	63.799999	2.59199
4	1.833071e+14	1.343805e+09	362496.2500	472878.43750	12.6	66.000000	2.75951

## In [28]: # display info unknown.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>

RangeIndex: 6811552 entries, 0 to 6811551

Data columns (total 10 columns):

#	Column	Dtype					
0	mmsi	float64					
1	timestamp	float64					
2	distance_from_shore	float64					
3	distance_from_port	float64					
4	speed	float64					
5	course	float64					
6	lat	float64					
7	lon	float64					
8	is_fishing	float64					
9	source	object					
dtyp	es: float64(9), objec	t(1)					
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## In [29]: # summary stats of cont. columns unknown.describe()

#### Out[29]:

	mmsi	timestamp	distance_from_shore	distance_from_port	speed	С
count	6.811552e+06	6.811552e+06	6.811552e+06	6.811552e+06	6.811533e+06	6.81153
mean	1.341339e+14	1.436159e+09	3.244386e+05	4.786299e+05	3.791863e+00	1.83541
std	7.713338e+13	3.584728e+07	5.121758e+05	7.014247e+05	5.270977e+00	1.14733
min	1.272260e+12	1.325376e+09	0.000000e+00	0.000000e+00	0.000000e+00	0.00000
25%	8.079808e+13	1.415268e+09	0.000000e+00	1.771961e+04	0.000000e+00	8.15000
50%	1.314049e+14	1.446398e+09	3.801222e+04	9.761932e+04	2.100000e+00	1.93500
75%	1.851914e+14	1.464825e+09	5.189448e+05	7.388547e+05	7.200000e+00	2.82500
max	2.767289e+14	1.480032e+09	3.509276e+06	1.095999e+07	1.023000e+02	5.11000

```
In [30]: # number of unique vessels
unknown_ids = unknown['mmsi'].unique()
print(f'There are {len(unknown_ids)} unique anonymized vessel IDs')
```

There are 120 unique anonymized vessel IDs

#### **AIS - All Fishing Vessels**

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 28581398 entries, 0 to 6811551
Data columns (total 11 columns):
    Column
                          Dtype
--- ----
                          ____
                         float64
0
   mmsi
1
    timestamp
                         float64
 2
    distance from shore float64
 3
    distance_from_port
                         float64
 4
    speed
                         float64
5
    course
                         float64
6
    lat
                         float64
 7
    lon
                         float64
8
    is fishing
                         float64
    source
                         object
10 vessel type
                         object
dtypes: float64(9), object(2)
memory usage: 2.6+ GB
```

Looking at the combined dataset, we see that the overall size of our data is now 2.6 GB, and contains just over 6.8 million rows. Column names match the summary provided above, with is\_fishing our target variable. All columns are of type float, with the exception of the source and vessel\_type columns.

```
In [33]: # summary stats of concatenated dataset
         boats df.describe()
```

#### Out[33]:

	mmsi	timestamp	distance_from_shore	distance_from_port	speed	С
count	2.858140e+07	2.858140e+07	2.858140e+07	2.858140e+07	2.858120e+07	2.85812
mean	1.337376e+14	1.432496e+09	3.897552e+05	5.451918e+05	4.446902e+00	1.81256
std	8.245098e+13	3.874580e+07	5.151475e+05	6.743022e+05	4.577831e+00	1.10073
min	1.252340e+12	1.325376e+09	0.000000e+00	0.000000e+00	0.000000e+00	0.00000
25%	6.260384e+13	1.409354e+09	9.999755e+02	2.607617e+04	1.000000e-01	8.67000
50%	1.220965e+14	1.442815e+09	1.123583e+05	2.279791e+05	3.800000e+00	1.86000
75%	2.036858e+14	1.464638e+09	6.412097e+05	8.546421e+05	7.800000e+00	2.74900
max	2.812058e+14	1.480032e+09	4.430996e+06	1.245220e+07	1.023000e+02	5.11000

#### **Distribution of AIS Data**

```
In [34]: # print number of unique values in each column
         for col in boats df.columns:
             print(f'{len(boats_df[col].unique())} unique values in {col}')
         354 unique values in mmsi
         22293667 unique values in timestamp
         652585 unique values in distance from shore
```

910873 unique values in distance from port 678 unique values in speed

3626 unique values in course 11951023 unique values in lat

12288407 unique values in lon

10 unique values in is fishing

6 unique values in source

7 unique values in vessel type

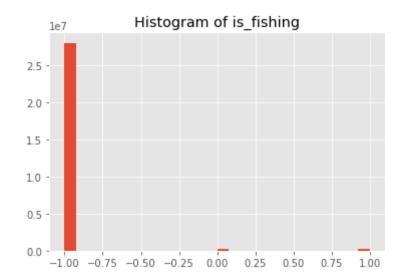
#### **AIS - Target Variable**

```
In [35]: # target variable value counts
         boats_df['is_fishing'].value_counts()
```

```
Out[35]: -1.000000
                      28027543
          0.000000
                        295979
          1.000000
                        247498
          0.666667
                          4806
          0.333333
                           4096
          0.750000
                            752
          0.250000
                            670
          0.800000
                             33
          0.166667
                            12
          0.400000
         Name: is_fishing, dtype: int64
```

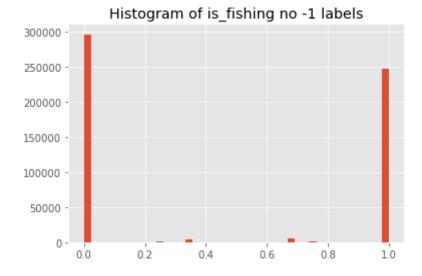
```
In [36]: boats_df['is_fishing'].hist(bins='auto');
plt.title('Histogram of is_fishing')
```

Out[36]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Histogram of is\_fishing')



```
In [37]: # look at distribution ignoring -1 labels as these contain no info
boats_df.loc[boats_df['is_fishing'] != -1]['is_fishing'].hist(bins='auto');
plt.title('Histogram of is_fishing no -1 labels')
```

Out[37]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Histogram of is\_fishing no -1 labels')



Distribution of our target labels range from 0 to 1, when removing labels lacking any information (-1). The majority of entries fall as either 0 or 1, and we know from the above descriptions, that values between 0 and 1 indicate the average score if scored by multiple people. For this reason, any value between 0 and 1 has some sort of uncertainty from a labeling perspective, and these values will be removed in the data preparation stage. With more than 250,000 1 labels remaining and more than 295,000 0 labels remaining, we should have more than enough remaining data after removing values between 0 and 1.

#### **AIS Predictors**

```
# separate out predictors
In [39]:
               ais predictors = boats df.drop('is fishing', axis=1)
In [40]: |# histogram of continuous predictors
               ais_predictors.hist(figsize=(15, 10), bins='auto')
               plt.tight layout()
                                   mmsi
                                                                          timestamp
                                                                                                              distance_from_shore
                                                         16000
                                                         14000
                                                                                                 175000
                40000
                                                                                                 150000
                                                         10000
                30000
                                                                                                 125000
                                                          8000
                                                                                                 100000
                                                          6000
                                                                                                  75000
                                                          4000
                                                                                                  50000
                10000
                                                            1.32 1.34 1.36
                                                                             1.40
                                                                                 1.42
                                                                                         1.46
                                                                                                                 1.0
                                                                        1.38
                                                                                     1.44
                                                                                                                       1.5
                              distance from port
                                                                            speed
                                                                                                                    course
                140000
                                                                                                  35000
                                                        160000
                120000
                                                        140000
                                                                                                  30000
                100000
                                                        120000
                                                                                                  25000
                                                        100000
                80000
                                                                                                  20000
                                                         80000
                60000
                                                                                                  15000
                                                         60000
                40000
                                                         40000
                                                         20000
                                    lat
                                                                             lon
                                                         25000
                35000
                                                         20000
                25000
                                                         15000
                                                         10000
                10000
                                                          5000
```

Looking at the distributions of our predictor columns, we see some of the following observations:

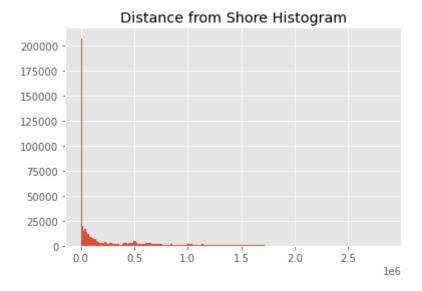
- mmsi: some ships are definitely more present, but overall not too concentrated on any one ship identifier
- timestamp: we see that there are more entries with later timestamps, signaling more of our data is coming from later timestamps and dates
- distance\_from\_shore : difficult to see from this view, may include some outliers or a large range of values
- distance\_from\_port : difficult to see from this view, may include some outliers or a large range of values
- speeed: difficult to see from this view, may include some outliers or a large range of values
- course: a large number of entries with a course of 0. Frequency spikes just under 100, 200, 300, and 400
- lat: maiority of values seem centered around -25 or 50

 lon: majority of values seem centered around 0 with a cluster of values just above 150 as well.

```
In [41]: # convert min and max timestamp to datetime to understand range of data bet
    max_unix = boats_df['timestamp'].max()
    min_unix = boats_df['timestamp'].min()
    converted_max_ts = datetime.utcfromtimestamp(max_unix).strftime('%Y-%m-%d %
    converted_min_ts = datetime.utcfromtimestamp(min_unix).strftime('%Y-%m-%d %
    print(f'timestamps range from {converted_min_ts} to {converted_max_ts}')
```

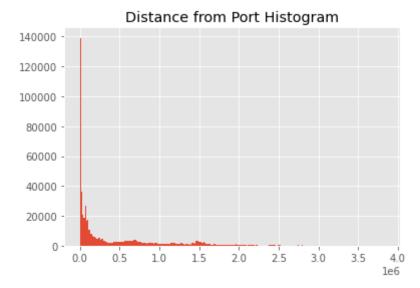
timestamps range from 2012-01-01 09:21:55 to 2016-09-03 08:07:53

```
In [42]: # distance from shore
    boats_df['distance_from_shore'].hist(bins='auto')
    plt.title('Distance from Shore Histogram')
    plt.show()
```



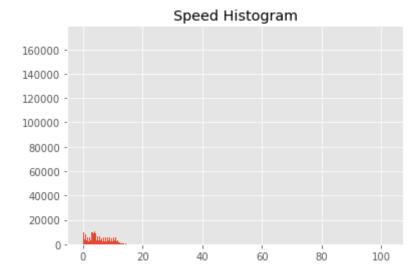
Large number of values with 0 distance from shore, signaling the boat is docked or at shore. There is a right skew to the rest of the values.

```
In [43]: # distance from port
boats_df['distance_from_port'].hist(bins='auto')
plt.title('Distance from Port Histogram')
plt.show()
```

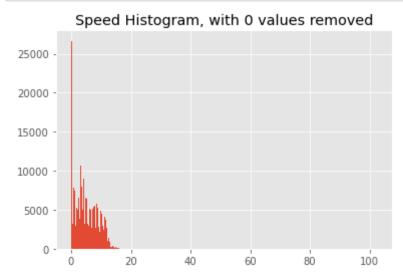


Similar to distance\_from\_shore, there are a large number of values with 0 distance to port, signaling the boat is at port. There is a right skew to the rest of the values.

```
In [44]: # speed
boats_df['speed'].hist(bins='auto')
plt.title('Speed Histogram')
plt.show()
```

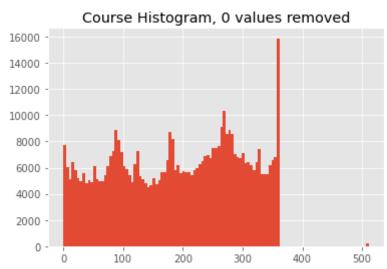


```
In [45]: # speed histogram with 0 values removed
boats_df.loc[boats_df['speed'] > 0]['speed'].hist(bins='auto')
plt.title('Speed Histogram, with 0 values removed')
plt.show()
```



Removing zero values, we can see the majority of speed values fall between 0 and 20. There are some larger speed values that fall outside of this range.

```
In [46]: # look at course values
boats_df.loc[boats_df['course'] > 0]['course'].hist(bins='auto')
plt.title('Course Histogram, 0 values removed')
plt.show()
```



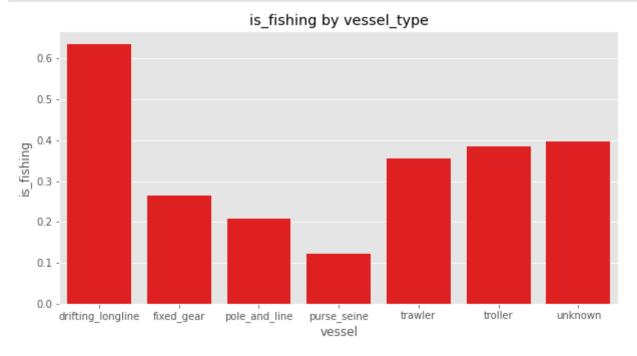
The concentration of values just under 100, 200, 300, and 400 make sense when considering course data, or headings. A heading of 0, corresponds to true north, as does a heading or course value of 360. A heading of 90 corresponds to true east, 180 to true south, and 270 to true west. These values correspond to the bumps we see in the histogram above.

```
In [47]: # vessel type
          vessel_crosstab = pd.crosstab(boats_df['vessel_type'],
                                              boats df['is fishing'],
                                              normalize='index')
          vessel_crosstab
Out[47]:
                 is_fishing
                               0.0
                                        1.0
               vessel_type
                          0.365459
                                   0.634541
           drifting_longline
                                  0.263626
                fixed_gear 0.736374
             pole_and_line 0.792218 0.207782
               purse_seine 0.878098 0.121902
                   trawler 0.645971
                                   0.354029
```

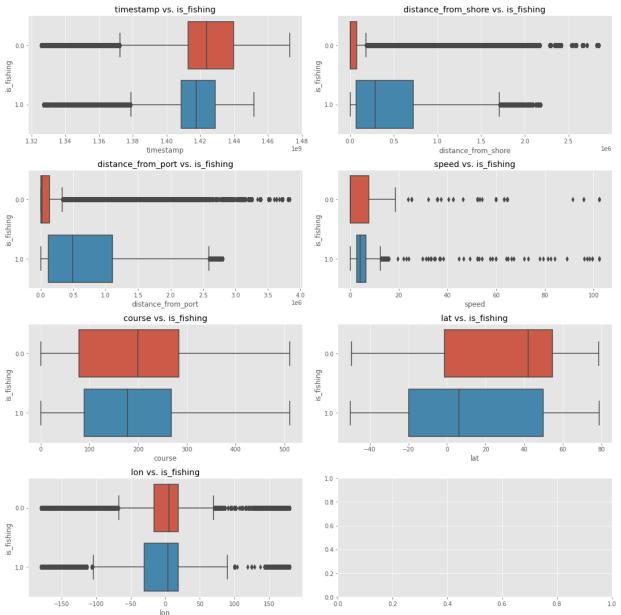
troller 0.615405 0.384595

unknown 0.603443 0.396557

```
In [48]: # plot vessel crosstab
fishing_vessels = vessel_crosstab[1.0]
fishing_vessels = fishing_vessels.reset_index()
fishing_vessels.columns = ['vessel', 'is_fishing']
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
ax = sns.barplot(x=fishing_vessels['vessel'], y=fishing_vessels['is_fishing
plt.title('is_fishing by vessel_type')
plt.show()
```



We can see that just over 60% of all drifting\_longline timestamps are marked as fishing, which is larger than the other vessels. Fishing rate is also high among trawler, troller, and unknown.



Looking at the boxplots, we can see there are some clear differences between is\_fishing =1 and is\_fishing =0.

- timestamp: median timestamp for boats that are fishing is slightly lower than the median timestamp for boats that are not fishing.
- distance\_from\_shore: The median distance from shore for boats that are fishing is greater than those that are not fishing, which is not necessarily that surprising.
- distance\_from\_port : Similar to distance from shore, those boats labeled as fishing have greater median distances from port.
- speed: boats labeled as fishing seem to have higher median speeds than those labeled as not fishing
- course: slight median difference in course, IQR range is slightly smaller for those labeled as fishing
- lat: lower median lats for vessels labeled as fishing compared to those labeled as not fishing
- · lon: differing from latitudes, median longitudes are in line

### **NOAA Ocean Station Data (OSD)**

Ocean station data was sourced from the following url:

```
https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/access/world-ocean-database-select/dbsearch.html.
```

Using the WODselect retrieval system enables a user to search World Ocean Database and new data using user-specified criteria. I specifically retreived OSD data using all available coordinates, and limited my timestamps to match the range present in the Global Fishing Watch AIS datasets.

The World Ocean Database is encoded per the following documentation: https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/data/oceans/woa/WOD/DOC/wodreadme.pdf

As a result, downloaded files are returned in a native .OSD format. To handle reading and importing of .OSD data, I made use of the wodpy package. More information regarding wodpy can be found: https://github.com/IQuOD/wodpy.

```
In [52]: # import necessary libraries
    from wodpy import wod
    fid = open('datasets/ocldb1642977297.29281.OSD')
    profile = wod.WodProfile(fid) # test reading of .OSD file
    profile
```

Out[52]: <wodpy.wod.WodProfile at 0x7fc13a330e80>

```
In [53]: # convert profile to dataframe
ods_profile = profile.df()
```

/Users/addingtongraham/opt/anaconda3/envs/keras-env/lib/python3.6/site-pa ckages/wodpy/wod.py:792: UserWarning: Pandas doesn't allow columns to be created via a new attribute name - see https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/indexing.html#attribute-access (https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/indexing.html#attribute-access)

df.meta = meta

```
In [54]: # profile information
ods_profile.info()
```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'> RangeIndex: 93 entries, 0 to 92 Data columns (total 14 columns): Non-Null Count Dtype # Column \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ 93 non-null float64 z\_level\_qc 93 non-null int64 1 2 z\_unc 0 non-null float64 3 91 non-null float64 t 4 t level qc 91 non-null float64 5 0 non-null float64  $t\_{\tt unc}$ 91 non-null float64 6 7 s level qc 91 non-null float64 0 non-null float64 s unc 91 non-null 9 oxygen float64 91 non-null float64 10 phosphate 11 silicate 91 non-null float64 12 pH 91 non-null float64 13 p 0 non-null float64 dtypes: float64(13), int64(1) memory usage: 10.3 KB

After successful loading of one OSD profile, we have access to the following information:

- z : level depths in meters
- z level qc: level depth qc flags (0 == all good)
- z\_unc : depth uncertainty
- t : level temperature in Celcius
- t\_level\_qc : level temperature qc flags (0 == all good)
- t unc: temperature uncertainty
- s : level salinities
- s level qc : level salinity qc flags (0 == all good)
- s unc: salinity uncertainty
- oxygen: oxygen content (mL / L)
- phosphate: phosphate content (uM / L)
- silicate: silicate content (uM / L)
- pH: pH levels
- p : pressure (decibar)

```
In [55]: # each profile also has additional information stored in the .meta attribut
         ods profile.meta
Out[55]: {'latitude': 2.2528,
          'latitude_unc': None,
          'longitude': 146.783,
          'longitude unc': None,
          'uid': 16621322,
          'n levels': 93,
          'year': 2012,
           'month': 1,
           'day': 1,
           'time': 0.667,
          'cruise': 39079,
          'probe type': 7.0,
          'originator_flag_type': 1.0,
          'PIs': None,
           'originator_station': None,
          'originator cruise': '49NZ20111220',
          't_metadata': [{'value': 103.0, 'code': 3, 'iMeta': 0},
           {'value': 4.0, 'code': 5, 'iMeta': 0}],
           's_metadata': [{'value': 202.0, 'code': 3, 'iMeta': 0}]}
```

Looking at the metadata for our first ODS profile, we can see there is a bunch of additional relevant information here, particularly the latitude and longitude information, which we can ultimately use to merge with our AIS data.

```
In [56]: # reset ODS reader
ods_file = open('datasets/ocldb1642977297.29281.OSD')
ods_profile = wod.WodProfile(fid)
```

```
In [57]: # use while loop to pull in all profiles
         # WARNING - this will take several minutes to run
         ods_df = pd.DataFrame()
         n = 1 # used to track loop progress
         while ods_profile.is_last_profile_in_file(fid) == False:
             # get df and meta information
             profile_df = ods_profile.df()
             profile meta = profile df.meta
             # add columns
             profile df['lat'] = profile meta['latitude']
             profile_df['lon'] = profile_meta['longitude']
             profile_df['year'] = profile_meta['year']
             profile_df['month'] = profile_meta['month']
             profile_df['day'] = profile_meta['day']
             profile_df['time'] = profile_meta['time']
             # concat df
             ods_df = pd.concat([profile_df, ods_df], axis=0)
             # update to next ods profile
             ods_profile = wod.WodProfile(fid)
```

```
In [58]: # display first 5 rows
ods_df.head()
```

Out[58]:		z	z_level_qc	z_unc	t	t_level_qc	t_unc	s	s_level_qc	s_unc	oxygen	phospha
	0	0.0	0	NaN	27.8156	0.0	NaN	32.7162	0.0	NaN	201.1	0.1
	1	5.0	0	NaN	27.7961	0.0	NaN	32.7229	0.0	NaN	201.0	0.1
	2	10.0	0	NaN	27.7499	0.0	NaN	32.7388	0.0	NaN	200.7	0.1
	3	15.0	0	NaN	27.7037	0.0	NaN	32.7548	0.0	NaN	200.4	0.1
	4	20.0	0	NaN	27.6576	0.0	NaN	32.7707	0.0	NaN	200.1	0.1

# In [59]: # display info ods\_df.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 554826 entries, 0 to 0
Data columns (total 20 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	Z	554826 non-null	float64
1	z_level_qc	554826 non-null	int64
2	z_unc	0 non-null	float64
3	t	466323 non-null	float64
4	t_level_qc	466323 non-null	float64
5	t_unc	0 non-null	float64
6	S	422020 non-null	float64
7	s_level_qc	422020 non-null	float64
8	s_unc	0 non-null	float64
9	oxygen	406869 non-null	float64
10	phosphate	383805 non-null	float64
11	silicate	377030 non-null	float64
12	рН	182788 non-null	float64
13	р	0 non-null	float64
14	lat	554826 non-null	float64
15	lon	554826 non-null	float64
16	year	554826 non-null	int64
17	month	554826 non-null	int64
18	day	554826 non-null	int64
19	time	546470 non-null	float64

dtypes: float64(16), int64(4)

memory usage: 88.9 MB

# In [60]: # summary stats of cont. columns ods\_df.describe()

#### Out[60]:

	z	z_level_qc	z_unc	t	t_level_qc	t_unc	s	
count	554826.000000	554826.0	0.0	466323.000000	466323.000000	0.0	422020.000000	4220
mean	664.650025	0.0	NaN	8.674232	0.084025	NaN	28.492345	
std	1109.273445	0.0	NaN	7.180532	0.753279	NaN	10.973218	
min	0.000000	0.0	NaN	-2.949000	0.000000	NaN	0.010000	
25%	30.000000	0.0	NaN	2.898000	0.000000	NaN	29.900900	
50%	90.000000	0.0	NaN	6.878100	0.000000	NaN	34.397700	
75%	800.000000	0.0	NaN	12.939000	0.000000	NaN	34.858000	
max	6100.000000	0.0	NaN	31.227400	9.000000	NaN	38.497800	

We can see the ocean station data we've read using wodpy takes up 88.9 MB of space. The dataset itself contains additional features that will ultimately be merged with our AIS data to predict  $is\_fishing$ .

There are a total of 20 columns in the dataset, and a total of 554,826 entries. All columns are of type float, with the exception of the  $z_{eq}$ ,  $y_{eq}$ 

#### **Distribution of ODS Data**

```
In [61]:
              # remove unecessary columns and produce histogram
              # drop columns
              clean ods df = ods df.drop(['z level qc', 'z unc', 't level qc', 't unc',
                                                          's_level_qc', 's_unc', 'p'], axis=1)
              # histogram of ODS cont features
              clean_ods_df.hist(figsize=(15, 15), bins='auto')
              plt.tight_layout()
                                                           t
                                                                                                                 oxygen
               100000
                                            20000
                                                                         40000
                                                                                                      8000
                                            15000
                                                                         30000
               60000
                                            10000
                                                                         20000
               40000
                                             5000
                                                                        10000
                                                                                                      2000
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                                4000
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                                7.5
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                    0.0
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               20000
                                                                         50000
                                           100000
               15000
                                            80000
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               10000
                                            40000
                5000
                                                                        10000
                             time
               16000
               14000
               12000
               10000
                6000
                2000
```

Looking at the above distributions:

- z: we can see there is a cluster of observations at 0 and around 0, and then some right skew
- t : see a cluster of data around 0, with some right skew. Also some negative values present.
- s: seems to be bimodal with values right below 10 and another cluster between 30 and 40
- oxygen: seems somewhat normally distributed with the majority of values falling between 150 and 300
- phosphate: seems to be a lot of 0 values, and then another cluster of values around 2.5
- silicate: majority of values near 0, with some right skew.
- pH: seems somewhat normally distributed with the majority of values falling between 7 and 8.5
- lat: majority of values near lat value of 50
- lon: majority of values seem to be near lon value of 0 in addition to clusters below -100 and above 100
- year: years match AIS dataset, with the majority of data falling in 2012 and 2013.
- month, day, and time: seem distributed as we would likely expect.

### **Merged Datasets**

The two datasets will now be merged using latitude and longitude as matching key values. Given the amount of data, a ball tree is used to identify the nearest lat, long pairs in the ods dataset and match to the AIS data. Tried to compute haversine distance for each point, and then map in proper values, but run time was too long.

```
In [62]: from math import radians
In [63]: # convert coords to radians to compute haversine distance (good for lat, lo boats_df['lat_radian'] = boats_df['lat'].apply(lambda x: radians(x))
boats_df['lon_radian'] = boats_df['lon'].apply(lambda x: radians(x))
clean_ods_df['lat_radian'] = clean_ods_df['lat'].apply(lambda x: radians(x))
clean_ods_df['lon_radian'] = clean_ods_df['lon'].apply(lambda x: radians(x))
```

Found some guidance here for efficiently mapping to lat, long neighbors:

https://towardsdatascience.com/using-scikit-learns-binary-trees-to-efficiently-find-latitude-and-longitude-neighbors-909979bd929b (https://towardsdatascience.com/using-scikit-learns-binary-trees-to-efficiently-find-latitude-and-longitude-neighbors-909979bd929b)

```
In [64]: from sklearn.neighbors import BallTree
In [65]: # create ball tree to find min distances, find the closest neighbor
    ball_tree = BallTree(clean_ods_df[['lat_radian', 'lon_radian']].values, met
    dists, idxs = ball_tree.query(boats_df[['lat_radian', 'lon_radian']].values
In [66]: def haversine_to_km(haversine_distance):
    """
        Returns haversine distance in kilometers
    """
        return haversine_distance * 6371000/1000
```

```
In [67]: median_dist = np.median(dists)
median_dist_km = haversine_to_km(median_dist)
median_dist_km
```

Out[67]: 368.91234399254154

The median distance from ocean station data to our AIS data is ~369 kilometers. While this may seem far, this may not account for large distances between ocean stations and vessels at port or on shore. In the future, we may be able to spend the computation time necessary to pull in more exact data, but given runtime limitations, we will keep this method.

In [72]: # go thru each set of neighbors returned, and calc the median value for each

```
# WARNING - will take several minutes to run
         depths = []
         temps = []
         sals = []
         oxygens = []
         pHs = []
         phosphates = []
         silicates = []
         for index list in idxs:
             # pull corresponding row to index
             ods 0 = clean ods df.iloc[index list[0]]
             ods 1 = clean ods df.iloc[index list[1]]
             ods 2 = clean ods df.iloc[index list[2]]
             # calc median ods vals
             median depth = np.median([ods_0['z'], ods_1['z'], ods_2['z']])
             median_temp = np.median([ods_0['t'], ods_1['t'], ods_2['t']])
             median sal = np.median([ods 0['s'], ods 1['s'], ods 2['s']])
             median_oxygen = np.median([ods_0['oxygen'], ods_1['oxygen'], ods_2['oxygen']
             median_pH = np.median([ods_0['pH'], ods_1['pH'], ods_2['pH']])
             median_phosphate = np.median([ods_0['phosphate'], ods_1['phosphate'], o
             median_silicate = np.median([ods_0['silicate'], ods_1['silicate'], ods_
             # append median vals
             depths.append(median depth)
             temps.append(median temp)
             sals.append(median sal)
             oxygens.append(median oxygen)
             pHs.append(median pH)
             phosphates.append(median phosphate)
             silicates.append(median silicate)
In [73]: # check that the length matches length of boats df
         len(boats df) == len(depths)
Out[73]: True
In [74]: # create new columns
         boats_df['depth'] = depths
         boats df['temp'] = temps
         boats df['salinity'] = sals
         boats df['oxygen'] = oxygens
         boats df['pH'] = pHs
         boats df['phosphate'] = phosphates
         boats df['silicate'] = silicates
```

```
In [75]: # print new info of df
boats_df.info()
```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 543477 entries, 330 to 6806721
Data columns (total 20 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count		Dtype	
0	mmsi	543477 noi	n-null	float64	
1	timestamp	543477 noi	n-null	float64	
2	distance_from_shore	543477 noi	n-null	float64	
3	distance_from_port	543477 noi	n-null	float64	
4	speed	543475 no	n-null	float64	
5	course	543475 no	n-null	float64	
6	lat	543477 noi	n-null	float64	
7	lon	543477 noi	n-null	float64	
8	is_fishing	543477 noi	n-null	float64	
9	source	543477 noi	n-null	object	
10	vessel_type	543477 noi	n-null	object	
11	lat_radian	543477 noi	n-null	float64	
12	lon_radian	543477 noi	n-null	float64	
13	depth	543477 noi	n-null	float64	
14	temp	379267 noi	n-null	float64	
15	salinity	306158 no	n-null	float64	
16	oxygen	307685 noi	n-null	float64	
17	рН	171937 noi	n-null	float64	
18	phosphate	347579 noi	n-null	float64	
19	silicate	354381 noi	n-null	float64	

dtypes: float64(18), object(2)

memory usage: 107.1+ MB

We can see that the merging of our datasets was successful, despite some values missing out of the temp, salinity, oxygen, pH, phosphate, and silicate columns.

```
In [76]: ods_cols = ['depth', 'temp', 'salinity', 'oxygen', 'pH', 'phosphate', 'sili
             # plot boxplots per label
             fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=4, ncols=2, figsize=(15, 15))
             for ax, feat in zip(axes.flatten(), ods_cols):
                   sns.boxplot(x=feat, y=boats_df['is_fishing'].astype('category'), data=b
                   ax.set_title(f'{feat} vs. is_fishing')
             plt.tight layout()
             plt.show()
                                                                                        temp vs. is_fishing
                                   depth vs. is_fishing
                                                                   is_fishing
              is_fishing
               1.0
                                                                     1.0
                          1000
                                                         5000
                                  salinity vs. is fishing
                                                                                       oxygen vs. is fishing
               0.0
                                                                   is_fishing
              is fishing
               1.0
                                                                     1.0
                                                      30
                                                            35
                                                                                 100
                                           20
                                                                                          200
                                                                                                             400
                                    pH vs. is_fishing
                                                                                      phosphate vs. is_fishing
              is_fishing
                                                                   is_fishing
               1.0
                                                                     1.0
                   7.2
                                                                                            4
phosphate
                                  silicate vs. is_fishing
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              is_fishing
                                                                     0.4
               1.0
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```

150

silicate

175

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The biggest differences between is\_fishing=1 and is\_fishing=0 can be seen in temp, pH, and silicate

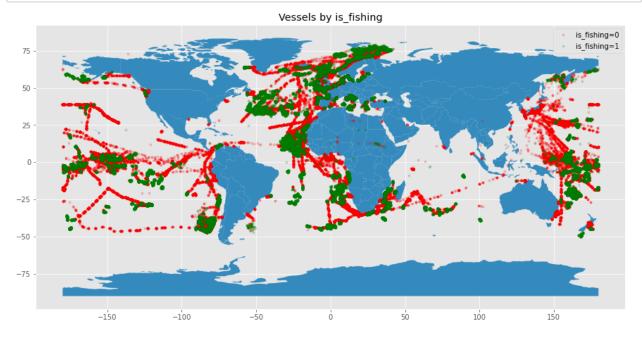
https://stackoverflow.com/questions/53233228/plot-latitude-longitude-from-csv-in-python-3-6 (https://stackoverflow.com/questions/53233228/plot-latitude-longitude-from-csv-in-python-3-6)

```
In [77]: # map of fishing data
    fishing = boats_df.loc[boats_df['is_fishing'] == 1]
    not_fishing = boats_df.loc[boats_df['is_fishing'] == 0]

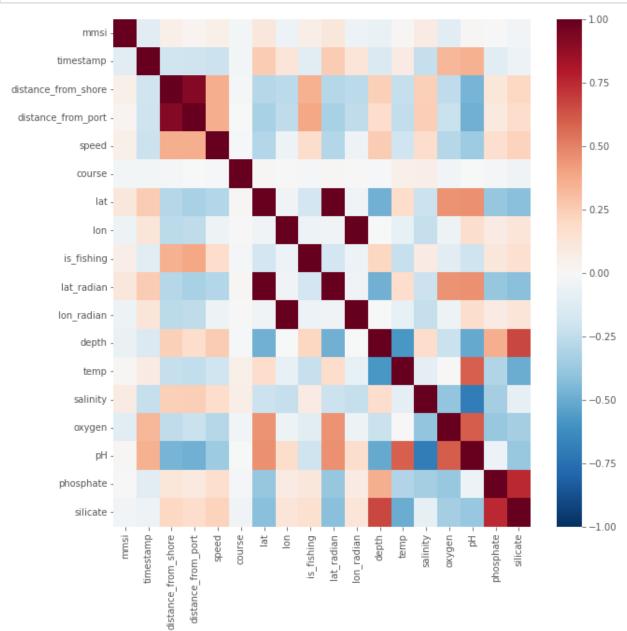
fishing_geo = [Point(xy) for xy in zip(fishing['lon'], fishing['lat'])]
    fishing_gdf = GeoDataFrame(fishing, geometry=fishing_geo)

non_geo = [Point(xy) for xy in zip(not_fishing['lon'], not_fishing['lat'])]
    non_gdf = GeoDataFrame(not_fishing, geometry=non_geo)
```

```
In [78]: world = gpd.read_file(gpd.datasets.get_path('naturalearth_lowres'))
    ax = world.plot(figsize=(15, 10))
    non_gdf.plot(ax=ax, marker='o', color='red', markersize=10, alpha=0.2);
    fishing_gdf.plot(ax=ax, marker='o', color='green', markersize=10, alpha=0.2
    plt.legend(['is_fishing=0', 'is_fishing=1'])
    plt.title('Vessels by is_fishing')
    plt.show()
```



Looking at the above map plot, we see that there are lat/lon hot zones that represent is\_fishing =1, as represented by the green markers. Red markers indicate vessels that are not fishing.



From the above correlation heatmap, we can confirm that lat\_radian and lon\_radian are perfectly correlated with non-radian matches, which makes sense. Additionally, we see the following relationships:

- depth is very positively correlated with silicate
- phosphate is very positively correlated with silicate
- distance\_from\_port is very positively correlated with distance\_from\_shore
- pH is fairly negatively correlated with salinity, as well as distance\_from\_shore and distance\_from\_port
- depth is negatively correlated with temp

Additionally, we can look at the <code>is\_fishing</code> column to see what is potentially correlated with our labels -- we see the strongest relationships between <code>is\_fishing</code> and <code>distance\_from\_shore</code> and <code>distance\_from\_port</code>.

This information will be helpful as predictors are identified in our models. Based on the information above, it will likely make sense to drop silicate given correlation with depth and phosphate, remove distance\_from\_shore and keep distance\_from\_port. Remove non-radian latitude and longitude as they are perfectly correlated with radian coords.

# 3. Data Preparation

- Detecting and dealing with missing values
- Data type conversions
- Checking for and removing multicollinearity
- Normalizing numeric data
- Converting categorical data to numeric format thru one-hot encoding

```
In [81]: # set seed for reproducibility
SEED = 23
```

```
In [82]: # pull in raw version of merged dataset
    raw_df = boats_df.copy()
    raw_df.info()
```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 543477 entries, 330 to 6806721
Data columns (total 20 columns):

Column	Non-Null Count		Dtype
mmsi	543477	non-null	float64
timestamp	543477	non-null	float64
distance_from_shore	543477	non-null	float64
distance_from_port	543477	non-null	float64
speed	543475	non-null	float64
course	543475	non-null	float64
lat	543477	non-null	float64
lon	543477	non-null	float64
is_fishing	543477	non-null	float64
source	543477	non-null	object
vessel_type	543477	non-null	object
lat_radian	543477	non-null	float64
lon_radian	543477	non-null	float64
depth	543477	non-null	float64
temp	379267	non-null	float64
salinity	306158	non-null	float64
oxygen	307685	non-null	float64
рН	171937	non-null	float64
phosphate	347579	non-null	float64
silicate	354381	non-null	float64
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dtypes: float64(18), object(2)

memory usage: 107.1+ MB

```
In [83]: # check for missing values
          raw df.isna().sum()
Out[83]: mmsi
                                        0
          timestamp
                                        0
          distance from shore
                                        0
          distance from port
                                        0
          speed
                                        2
                                        2
          course
          lat.
                                        0
                                        0
          lon
                                        0
          is_fishing
          source
                                        0
                                        0
          vessel_type
          lat_radian
                                        0
          lon radian
                                        0
          depth
                                        0
          temp
                                   164210
          salinity
                                   237319
          oxygen
                                   235792
                                   371540
          рΗ
          phosphate
                                   195898
          silicate
                                   189096
          dtype: int64
```

The majority of missing values come from our mapped ODS columns, which is not surprising as some of those values were NaNs, or missing values. Given the majority of data these missing values represent, dropping all of them would remove helpful data from our dataset. Instead, all missing values will be filled with its column median to help preserve some of the data.

```
In [84]: # handle missing values with column medians
    raw_df['temp'] = raw_df['temp'].fillna(raw_df['temp'].median())
    raw_df['salinity'] = raw_df['salinity'].fillna(raw_df['salinity'].median())
    raw_df['oxygen'] = raw_df['oxygen'].fillna(raw_df['oxygen'].median())
    raw_df['pH'] = raw_df['pH'].fillna(raw_df['pH'].median())
    raw_df['phosphate'] = raw_df['phosphate'].fillna(raw_df['phosphate'].median())
```

```
In [85]: raw_df.isna().sum()
Out[85]: mmsi
                                  0
                                  0
          timestamp
          distance_from_shore
                                  0
          distance from port
                                  0
                                  2
          speed
          course
                                  2
                                  0
          lat
          lon
                                  0
          is_fishing
                                  0
          source
                                  0
          vessel_type
                                  0
          lat_radian
                                  0
          lon_radian
                                  0
          depth
                                  0
          temp
                                  0
          salinity
                                  0
                                  0
          oxygen
                                  0
          рΗ
          phosphate
                                  0
          silicate
                                  0
          dtype: int64
In [86]: # drop remaining missing values out of speed and course column
         raw_df = raw_df.dropna()
         raw_df.isna().sum()
Out[86]: mmsi
                                  0
                                  0
          timestamp
          distance from shore
                                  0
          distance_from_port
                                  0
          speed
                                  0
          course
                                  0
          lat
                                  0
                                  0
          lon
          is fishing
                                  0
          source
                                  0
                                  0
          vessel type
          lat radian
                                  0
          lon radian
                                  0
          depth
                                  0
          temp
                                  0
          salinity
                                  0
                                  0
          oxygen
          ηц
                                  0
          phosphate
                                  0
          silicate
                                  0
          dtype: int64
In [87]: # check for duplicates
         raw_df.duplicated().any()
Out[87]: False
```

Missing values and duplicates have been handled. Move on to addressing column types, one hot

encoding, etc.

## In [88]: raw\_df.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 543475 entries, 330 to 6806721
Data columns (total 20 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	mmsi	543475 non-null	float64
1	timestamp	543475 non-null	float64
2	distance_from_shore	543475 non-null	float64
3	distance_from_port	543475 non-null	float64
4	speed	543475 non-null	float64
5	course	543475 non-null	float64
6	lat	543475 non-null	float64
7	lon	543475 non-null	float64
8	is_fishing	543475 non-null	float64
9	source	543475 non-null	object
10	vessel_type	543475 non-null	object
11	lat_radian	543475 non-null	float64
12	lon_radian	543475 non-null	float64
13	depth	543475 non-null	float64
14	temp	543475 non-null	float64
15	salinity	543475 non-null	float64
16	oxygen	543475 non-null	float64
17	рН	543475 non-null	float64
18	phosphate	543475 non-null	float64
19	silicate	543475 non-null	float64

dtypes: float64(18), object(2)

memory usage: 87.1+ MB

```
In [89]: # drop unnecessary columns
         clean_df = raw_df.drop(['mmsi', 'source', 'timestamp'], axis=1)
         clean df.info()
         <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
         Int64Index: 543475 entries, 330 to 6806721
         Data columns (total 17 columns):
          #
              Column
                                  Non-Null Count
                                                   Dtype
         ___
                                   _____
                                                   ____
              distance_from_shore
                                  543475 non-null float64
          0
          1
              distance_from_port
                                   543475 non-null float64
          2
                                   543475 non-null float64
              speed
          3
              course
                                   543475 non-null float64
          4
                                  543475 non-null float64
              lat
          5
              lon
                                  543475 non-null float64
          6
              is_fishing
                                  543475 non-null float64
          7
              vessel type
                                  543475 non-null object
              lat_radian
                                  543475 non-null float64
          8
              lon radian
          9
                                  543475 non-null float64
          10 depth
                                  543475 non-null float64
          11 temp
                                  543475 non-null float64
          12 salinity
                                   543475 non-null float64
                                   543475 non-null float64
          13
             oxygen
          14 pH
                                  543475 non-null float64
                                   543475 non-null float64
          15
             phosphate
          16 silicate
                                  543475 non-null float64
         dtypes: float64(16), object(1)
         memory usage: 74.6+ MB
In [90]: # drop columns that are highly correlated with other predictors
         clean df = clean df.drop(['silicate',
                                   'distance from shore',
                                   'lat radian',
                                   'lon radian'], axis=1)
```

```
In [91]: # reset index
         clean df = clean df.reset index(drop=True)
         clean df.info()
         <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
         RangeIndex: 543475 entries, 0 to 543474
         Data columns (total 13 columns):
          #
              Column
                                  Non-Null Count
                                                  Dtype
         ___
            distance from port 543475 non-null float64
          0
          1
              speed
                                  543475 non-null float64
             course
                                 543475 non-null float64
          2
                                 543475 non-null float64
          3
             lat.
             lon
                                 543475 non-null float64
          5
             is_fishing
                                 543475 non-null float64
          6
             vessel_type
                                 543475 non-null object
                                 543475 non-null float64
          7
             depth
                                 543475 non-null float64
          8
             temp
          9
                                 543475 non-null float64
            salinity
          10 oxygen
                                 543475 non-null float64
          11 pH
                                 543475 non-null float64
          12 phosphate
                                 543475 non-null float64
         dtypes: float64(12), object(1)
         memory usage: 53.9+ MB
In [92]: # import necessary libraries
         from sklearn.model selection import train test split
         from sklearn.preprocessing import OneHotEncoder, StandardScaler
In [93]: # separate out X and y
         y = clean df['is fishing']
         X = clean df.drop('is fishing', axis=1)
In [94]: # train test split
         X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, random_state=SEED
In [95]: # create dummy variables for vessel type
         train vessel dummies = pd.get_dummies(X_train['vessel_type'], drop_first=Tr
         test vessel dummies = pd.qet dummies(X test['vessel type'], drop first=True
In [96]: # drop vessel type column
         X train ohe = X train.drop('vessel type', axis=1)
         X test ohe = X test.drop('vessel type', axis=1)
In [97]: # concat dummy variables
         X_train_ohe = pd.concat([X_train_ohe, train_vessel_dummies], axis=1)
         X test ohe = pd.concat([X test ohe, test vessel dummies], axis=1)
```

```
In [98]: X_train_ohe.info()
         <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
         Int64Index: 407606 entries, 480311 to 7842
         Data columns (total 17 columns):
          #
              Column
                                  Non-Null Count
                                                   Dtype
         ___
              _____
          0
              distance_from_port
                                  407606 non-null float64
          1
                                  407606 non-null
                                                  float64
              speed
              course
                                  407606 non-null float64
          2
          3
              lat
                                  407606 non-null float64
          4
                                  407606 non-null float64
              lon
          5
              depth
                                  407606 non-null float64
          6
             temp
                                  407606 non-null float64
          7
              salinity
                                  407606 non-null float64
                                  407606 non-null float64
          8
              oxygen
          9
              На
                                  407606 non-null float64
          10
             phosphate
                                  407606 non-null
                                                   float64
                                  407606 non-null uint8
          11 fixed gear
          12 pole and line
                                  407606 non-null uint8
          13 purse_seine
                                  407606 non-null uint8
          14 trawler
                                  407606 non-null uint8
          15 troller
                                  407606 non-null
                                                   uint8
          16 unknown
                                  407606 non-null uint8
         dtypes: float64(11), uint8(6)
         memory usage: 39.6 MB
```

All columns are of numeric type now (int or float), we will move on to scaling data.

```
In [99]: # scale data using standard scaler
          scaler = StandardScaler()
          X train scaled = scaler.fit transform(X train ohe)
          X train scaled = pd.DataFrame(X train scaled, columns=X train ohe.columns)
          X test scaled = scaler.transform(X test ohe)
          X test scaled = pd.DataFrame(X test scaled, columns=X test ohe.columns)
In [100]: # evaluate class imbalance
          print('Training set class weights:')
          print(y train.value counts())
          print(y train.value counts(normalize=True))
          Training set class weights:
          0.0
                 221983
                 185623
          Name: is fishing, dtype: int64
          0.0
                 0.544602
          1.0
                 0.455398
          Name: is fishing, dtype: float64
```

Looking at the breakdown of our labels, ~45% of entries have labels <code>is\_fishing=1</code>, with the remaining having labels <code>is\_fishing=0</code>. There is some slight class imbalance present, and a simple model would be expected to get around ~55% accuracy by guessing 0 for every label. Our model will look to outperform this simple model.

```
In [101]: # save final training and test sets
    X_train_final = X_train_scaled.copy()
    X_test_final = X_test_scaled.copy()
    y_train_final = y_train.copy()
    y_test_final = y_test.copy()
```

# 4. Modeling

Models we will use will include:

- 1. Decision Trees
- 2. Random Forest
- 3. XGBoost
- 4. Neural Networks

Evaluation criteria generated for each model will include the following:

- Accuracy: total number of correct predictions out of total observations.
- Recall: number of true positives out of actual total positives. Of all boats labeled with is fishing=1, what percentage of them did our model correctly identify as fishing?
- Precision: number of true positives out of predicted positives. Of all boats our model said were fishing, how many times was the boat in question actually fishing?
- F1 Score: harmonic mean of precision and recall. Can't be high unless recall and precision are both high.
- ROC AUC: AUC is an alternative comprehensive metric and ROC graphs allow us to find an optimal precision, recall tradeoff. ROC graphs plot true positive rate vs. false positive rate

In the context of our ais and ods fishing data, we will want to focus on a model with high recall, and will likely care more about our true positive rate than the false positive rate. Would be better to overidentify potential fishing vessels and mark some as fishing when they are actually not, vs. underidentifying fishing vessels and missing potential illegal fishing activity.

```
In [102]: # import necessary libraries
    from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score, GridSearchCV
    from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, fl_score, precision_score, reca
    from sklearn import tree
```

```
In [103]: def print model scores(X train, X test, y train, y test, model, model name)
             Function to return accuracy, recall, precision, f1, roc_auc, and neg_lo
             X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test, model, and string for the model name
             # create predictions using our model
             y_train_preds = model.predict(X_train)
             y_test_preds = model.predict(X_test)
             # accuracy
             train_acc = accuracy_score(y_train, y_train_preds)
             test_acc = accuracy_score(y_test, y_test_preds)
             # precision
             train_prec = precision_score(y_train, y_train_preds)
             test_prec = precision_score(y_test, y_test_preds)
             # recall
             train recall = recall score(y train, y train preds)
             test_recall = recall_score(y_test, y_test_preds)
             # f1 score
             train f1 = f1 score(y train, y train preds)
             test_f1 = f1_score(y_test, y_test_preds)
             # AUC
             train_fpr, train_tpr, train_thresh = roc_curve(y_train, y_train_preds)
             train roc auc = auc(train fpr, train tpr)
             test_fpr, test_tpr, test_thresh = roc_curve(y_test, y_test_preds)
             test_roc_auc = auc(test_fpr, test_tpr)
             # print results
             print('Accuracy:')
             print(f'Training Set: {train_acc}')
             print(f'Testing Set: {test_acc}')
             print('----')
             print('Precision:')
             print(f'Training Set: {train prec}')
             print(f'Testing Set: {test_prec}')
             print('----')
             print('Recall:')
             print(f'Training Set: {train_recall}')
             print(f'Testing Set: {test_recall}')
             print('----')
             print('F1 Score:')
             print(f'Training Set: {train_f1}')
             print(f'Testing Set: {test_f1}')
             print('----')
             print(f'ROC AUC:')
             print(f'Training Set: {train roc auc}')
             print(f'Test Set: {test_roc_auc}')
             # store results in dataframes
             test_results = pd.DataFrame([[f'Test-{model_name}', test_acc, test_prec
                                        columns=['Model', 'Accuracy', 'Precision',
```

```
In [104]: def plot_feature_importances(model, X_train, y_train):
    """

    Function to plot feature importances from a given model
    """

        n_features = X_train.shape[1]
        plt.figure(figsize=(15,15))
        plt.barh(range(n_features), model.feature_importances_, align='center')
        plt.yticks(np.arange(n_features), X_train.columns.values)
        plt.xlabel('Feature importance')
        plt.ylabel('Feature')
```

# **Decision Tree Modeling**

```
In [105]: from sklearn import tree
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier

In [106]: # create baseline
baseline_dt = DecisionTreeClassifier(random_state=SEED, class_weight='balan baseline_dt.fit(X_train_final, y_train_final)

Out[106]: DecisionTreeClassifier(class_weight='balanced', random_state=23)
```

### In [107]: # print results

baseline\_dt\_results = print\_model\_scores(X\_train\_final, X\_test\_final, y\_train\_final, y\_test\_final, baseline dt, 'baseline dt')

Accuracy:

Training Set: 0.9993228755219501 Testing Set: 0.9564506988349072

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Precision:

Training Set: 0.999374929275403 Testing Set: 0.95255810944147

Recall:

Training Set: 0.9991380378509128 Testing Set: 0.9517729579467951

F1 Score:

Training Set: 0.9992564695233322 Testing Set: 0.9521653718360186

ROC AUC:

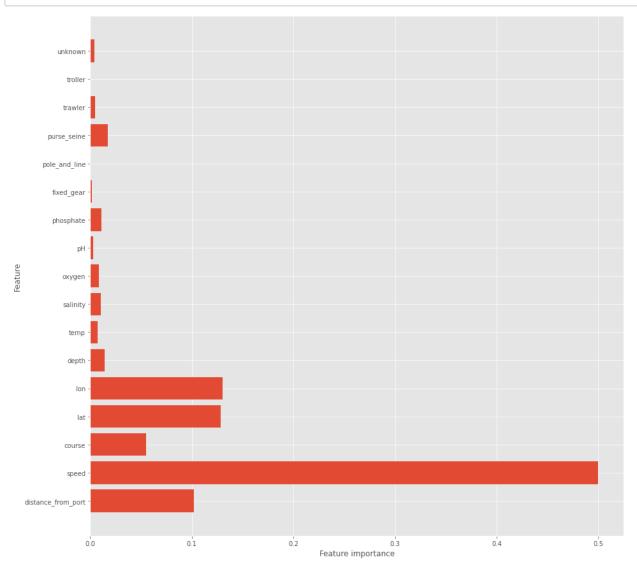
Training Set: 0.9993077376561702 Test Set: 0.9560675722905134

In [108]: baseline\_dt\_results

#### Out[108]:

	Model	Accuracy	Precision	Recall	F1 Score	AUC
0	Test-baseline_dt	0.956451	0.952558	0.951773	0.952165	0.956068
٥	Training-baseline dt	0 999323	0 999375	0.999138	0 999256	0 999308

In [109]: # plot feature importance
 plot\_feature\_importances(baseline\_dt, X\_train\_final, y\_train\_final)



Looking at the results of the baseline decision tree model, we see very strong results, with testing scores around ~95%. Despite these high testing scores, we can see that our model is overfitting to training data, given the near-perfect training scores. To address overfitting, tune our decision tree hyperparams to prune.

```
In [110]: # set params
          grid search params = {
              'criterion': ['gini', 'entropy'],
              'max_depth': [5, 10, 15],
              'min_samples_split': [2, 3, 4],
              'min_samples_leaf': [1, 2, 3]
          }
          # instantiate classifier
          dtree = DecisionTreeClassifier(random_state=SEED, class_weight='balanced')
          # instantiate grid search
          dtree gs = GridSearchCV(estimator=dtree,
                                  param grid=grid search params,
                                  cv=3,
                                   scoring='accuracy',
                                  return train score=True,
                                  verbose=1)
In [111]: # fit to training data
          dtree gs.fit(X train final, y train final)
          Fitting 3 folds for each of 54 candidates, totalling 162 fits
Out[111]: GridSearchCV(cv=3,
                       estimator=DecisionTreeClassifier(class weight='balanced',
                                                         random state=23),
                       param_grid={'criterion': ['gini', 'entropy'],
                                    'max depth': [5, 10, 15],
                                    'min samples leaf': [1, 2, 3],
                                    'min samples split': [2, 3, 4]},
                       return train score=True, scoring='accuracy', verbose=1)
In [112]: # print grid search results
          mean train score = np.mean(dtree gs.cv results ['mean train score'])
          mean test score = np.mean(dtree gs.cv results ['mean test score'])
          print(f'Grid Search Train Accuracy: {mean train score}')
          print(f'Grid Search Test Accuracy: {mean test score}')
          Grid Search Train Accuracy: 0.8844052567158771
          Grid Search Test Accuracy: 0.8793349070213414
```

```
In [113]: # display best params
          dtree_gs.best_params
Out[113]: {'criterion': 'entropy',
           'max depth': 15,
           'min samples leaf': 1,
           'min samples split': 2}
In [114]: # instantiate decision tree with identified criterion
          best dtree = DecisionTreeClassifier(random state=SEED, class weight='balanc
                                               criterion='entropy', max_depth=15,
                                               min_samples_leaf=1, min_samples_split=3
          # fit to training set
          best dtree.fit(X train final, y train final)
          # print and store results
          best dtree results = print model scores(X train final, X test final,
                                                   y train final, y test final,
                                                   best_dtree, 'best_dtree')
          Accuracy:
          Training Set: 0.9303911129865605
          Testing Set: 0.9218070347172644
          Precision:
          Training Set: 0.8907570125042245
          Testing Set: 0.8820407311327787
          Recall:
          Training Set: 0.9655646121439693
          Testing Set: 0.9561689885897146
          F1 Score:
          Training Set: 0.9266534827510438
          Testing Set: 0.9176101994602476
          ROC AUC:
          Training Set: 0.9332717579669496
          Test Set: 0.9246214224656796
```

Looking at these results, we see recall is very high, around 96% for both testing and training sets. Additionally, accuracy is sitting around 92% for testing and 93% for training set. Closeness of training and testing scores signify we have likely addressed overfitting to training data.

# **Random Forest Modeling**

```
In [115]: # import necessary library
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
```

```
In [116]: # create baseline
          baseline rf = RandomForestClassifier(random state=SEED,
                                               class_weight='balanced',
                                               n_{jobs=-1}
          # fit to training set
          baseline_rf.fit(X_train_final, y_train_final)
Out[116]: RandomForestClassifier(class_weight='balanced', n_jobs=-1, random_state=2
          3)
In [117]: # print and store results
          baseline_rf_results = print_model_scores(X_train_final, X_test_final,
                                                  y train final, y test final,
                                                   baseline_rf, 'baseline_rf')
          Accuracy:
          Training Set: 0.9983170022031079
          Testing Set: 0.9713474008051873
          Precision:
          Training Set: 0.9997135800867907
          Testing Set: 0.9648669884386576
          Recall:
          Training Set: 0.9965898622476741
          Testing Set: 0.9724924847270259
          _____
          F1 Score:
          Training Set: 0.9981492772469015
          Testing Set: 0.9686647295089225
          ROC AUC:
          Training Set: 0.99817555261287
          Test Set: 0.9714411879679457
```

Similar to the results of our decision tree, we can see our model is likely overfitting to training data, given perfect training scores of 1. As we did above, we will tune our random forest model using hyperparams, to address overfitting on training data.

```
In [118]: # set params
          grid search params = {
              'max_depth': [10, 15],
              'min_samples_leaf': [1, 2],
              'min_samples_split': [2, 3],
              'criterion': ['entropy', 'gini']
          }
          # instantiate random forest
          random forest = RandomForestClassifier(random_state=SEED,
                                                  class weight='balanced',
                                                  n jobs=-1)
          # instantiate grid search
          random forest qs = GridSearchCV(estimator=random forest,
                                           param grid=grid search params,
                                           cv=3,
                                           scoring='accuracy',
                                           return_train_score=True,
                                           verbose=1)
In [119]: # fit to training data
          random forest gs.fit(X train final, y train final)
          Fitting 3 folds for each of 16 candidates, totalling 48 fits
Out[119]: GridSearchCV(cv=3,
                       estimator=RandomForestClassifier(class_weight='balanced',
                                                         n jobs=-1, random state=2
          3),
                       param_grid={'criterion': ['entropy', 'gini'],
                                    'max depth': [10, 15], 'min samples leaf': [1,
          21,
                                    'min samples split': [2, 3]},
                       return train score=True, scoring='accuracy', verbose=1)
In [120]: # print grid search results
          mean train score = np.mean(random forest gs.cv results ['mean train score']
          mean test score = np.mean(random forest gs.cv results ['mean test score'])
          print(f'Grid Search Train Accuracy: {mean_train_score}')
          print(f'Grid Search Test Accuracy: {mean test score}')
          Grid Search Train Accuracy: 0.9156952423488893
          Grid Search Test Accuracy: 0.9095281337281051
In [121]: # display best params
          random_forest_gs.best_params_
Out[121]: {'criterion': 'gini',
           'max depth': 15,
           'min samples leaf': 1,
           'min samples split': 2}
```

```
In [122]: # run model with these best params
          best rf = RandomForestClassifier(random state=SEED, class weight='balanced'
                                            criterion='gini', max_depth=15, min_sample
                                            min_samples_split=2)
          # fit to train set
          best_rf.fit(X_train_final, y_train_final)
Out[122]: RandomForestClassifier(class weight='balanced', max depth=15, n jobs=-1,
                                 random state=23)
In [123]: # print and store results
          best rf results = print model scores(X train final, X test final,
                                                y_train_final, y_test_final,
                                                best_rf, 'best_rf')
          Accuracy:
          Training Set: 0.9380431102584359
          Testing Set: 0.9298294680905873
          Precision:
          Training Set: 0.8991085516328288
          Testing Set: 0.8908070007765366
          Recall:
          Training Set: 0.973149879055936
          Testing Set: 0.9640883084979152
          F1 Score:
          Training Set: 0.9346651764925026
          Testing Set: 0.9260000931402226
          ROC AUC:
          Training Set: 0.9409182901449071
          Test Set: 0.9326354104149147
```

Running the random forest model, we can see accuracy scores are similar to the best decision tree classifier identified. Recall score is slightly improved from 95% to ~96% with the random forest model. Runtime was longer, and minimal improvement in results may not warrant longer run time.

## XGBoost Modeling

```
In [124]: # import necessary libaries
    from xgboost import XGBClassifier

In [127]: # create baseline classifier
    baseline_xgb = XGBClassifier(random_state=SEED)
```

Accuracy:

Training Set: 0.8718222989848039 Testing Set: 0.8719722674046324

-----

Precision:

Training Set: 0.8441081315369889 Testing Set: 0.8449642463819821

Recall:

Training Set: 0.8812970375438388 Testing Set: 0.8804021075088082

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F1 Score:

Training Set: 0.862301804841022 Testing Set: 0.8623192420632723

-----

ROC AUC:

Training Set: 0.8725982626712271 Test Set: 0.8726627065687833

Looking at the baseline XGBoost model, we see baseline results that are worse than our decision tree and random forest models. Despite slightly worse results, the model doesn't appear to be overfitting too badly to the training set.

Accuracy:

Training Set: 0.8835345897754204 Testing Set: 0.8838807969441153

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Precision:

Training Set: 0.8531340902932921
Testing Set: 0.8543143072358611

Recall:

Training Set: 0.899021134234443 Testing Set: 0.8981801726088502

-----

F1 Score:

Training Set: 0.8754767463211185 Testing Set: 0.8756982469962576

-----

ROC AUC:

Training Set: 0.8848029093236066 Test Set: 0.885051975621271

```
In [137]: # results improved about 1% point across the board. Set max depth to 5
          xgb tuned 2 = XGBClassifier(random state=SEED,
                                     max depth=10)
          # fit to training set
          xgb_tuned_2.fit(X_train_final, y_train_final)
          # print and store results
          xgb tuned 2 results = print model scores(X train final, X test final,
                                                  y_train_final, y_test_final,
                                                  xgb_tuned_2, 'xgb_tuned_2')
          Accuracy:
          Training Set: 0.9447137677070504
          Testing Set: 0.9384112637908574
          Precision:
          Training Set: 0.9206725064743451
          Testing Set: 0.9141715948849738
          Recall:
          Training Set: 0.9614379683552146
          Testing Set: 0.954358858324983
          F1 Score:
          Training Set: 0.9406137588446892
          Testing Set: 0.9338330644906221
          _____
          ROC AUC:
          Training Set: 0.9460834490240144
```

With an expanded <code>max\_depth</code> parameter, performance from our XGB model is improved, and still not overfitting to badly. Accuracy scores are coming out around ~94% now.

Despite improved performance, the model is still taking fairly long to run. As a result this model is not likely the best for this process.

## **Neural Network Modeling**

Test Set: 0.9397174384874459

```
In [284]: # import necessary libraries
    from keras import models, layers, optimizers, initializers, metrics, regula
In [285]: # set random seed
    np.random.seed(SEED)
In [286]: # build baseline model
    baseline_model = models.Sequential()
```

```
In [288]: # train baseline model
```

```
Train on 407606 samples, validate on 135869 samples
Epoch 1/15
5849 - acc: 0.6597 - val_loss: 0.4682 - val_acc: 0.7601
3789 - acc: 0.8290 - val_loss: 0.3428 - val_acc: 0.8489
Epoch 3/15
3354 - acc: 0.8525 - val loss: 0.3258 - val acc: 0.8566
Epoch 4/15
3231 - acc: 0.8574 - val_loss: 0.3201 - val_acc: 0.8611
Epoch 5/15
3145 - acc: 0.8619 - val_loss: 0.3099 - val_acc: 0.8636
3072 - acc: 0.8660 - val loss: 0.3158 - val acc: 0.8619
Epoch 7/15
3009 - acc: 0.8699 - val loss: 0.3175 - val acc: 0.8627
Epoch 8/15
2959 - acc: 0.8732 - val loss: 0.2949 - val acc: 0.8715
Epoch 9/15
2915 - acc: 0.8755 - val loss: 0.2880 - val acc: 0.8770
Epoch 10/15
2876 - acc: 0.8775 - val loss: 0.2882 - val acc: 0.8779
Epoch 11/15
2842 - acc: 0.8798 - val loss: 0.2821 - val acc: 0.8813
2811 - acc: 0.8814 - val loss: 0.2812 - val acc: 0.8827
Epoch 13/15
2782 - acc: 0.8828 - val loss: 0.2843 - val acc: 0.8796
Epoch 14/15
2760 - acc: 0.8835 - val loss: 0.2780 - val acc: 0.8832
Epoch 15/15
2737 - acc: 0.8850 - val loss: 0.2876 - val acc: 0.8791
```

```
In [289]: # plot training vs. validation accuracy
    baseline_model_dict = baseline_history.history
    baseline_acc_values = baseline_model_dict['acc']
    baseline_val_acc_values = baseline_model_dict['val_acc']

fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12, 8))
    epochs = range(1, len(baseline_acc_values) + 1)
    ax.plot(epochs, baseline_acc_values, label='Training acc (Baseline)')
    ax.plot(epochs, baseline_val_acc_values, label='Val acc (Baseline)')
    ax.set_title('Training & Validation Accuracy')
    ax.set_xlabel('Epochs')
    ax.set_ylabel('Accuracy')
    plt.legend()
    plt.show()
```



```
In [292]: # L2 Regularization to try and improve results
          L2_model = models.Sequential()
          # add input and first hidden layer
          L2_model.add(layers.Dense(100,
                                    activation='relu',
                                    kernel_regularizer=regularizers.12(0.005),
                                    input_shape=(n_features,)))
          # addditional hidden layers
          L2_model.add(layers.Dense(100, activation='relu', kernel_regularizer=regula
          L2_model.add(layers.Dense(100, activation='relu', kernel_regularizer=regula
          L2_model.add(layers.Dense(50, activation='relu', kernel_regularizer=regular
          L2_model.add(layers.Dense(50, activation='relu', kernel_regularizer=regular
          # output layer
          L2_model.add(layers.Dense(1, activation='sigmoid'))
          # compile model
          L2 model.compile(optimizer='SGD',
                           loss='binary_crossentropy',
                           metrics=['acc'])
```

```
Train on 407606 samples, validate on 135869 samples
Epoch 1/15
0996 - acc: 0.6910 - val loss: 1.7854 - val acc: 0.7651
Epoch 2/15
5290 - acc: 0.8176 - val loss: 1.3318 - val acc: 0.8417
Epoch 3/15
1951 - acc: 0.8459 - val loss: 1.0737 - val acc: 0.8521
9746 - acc: 0.8516 - val loss: 0.8850 - val acc: 0.8554
Epoch 5/15
8161 - acc: 0.8547 - val loss: 0.7509 - val acc: 0.8568
Epoch 6/15
7009 - acc: 0.8566 - val loss: 0.6552 - val acc: 0.8544
Epoch 7/15
6166 - acc: 0.8577 - val loss: 0.5809 - val acc: 0.8603
Epoch 8/15
5547 - acc: 0.8592 - val loss: 0.5310 - val acc: 0.8573
Epoch 9/15
5090 - acc: 0.8602 - val loss: 0.4918 - val acc: 0.8634
Epoch 10/15
4752 - acc: 0.8612 - val_loss: 0.4615 - val acc: 0.8604
Epoch 11/15
4500 - acc: 0.8622 - val_loss: 0.4401 - val_acc: 0.8626
Epoch 12/15
4313 - acc: 0.8629 - val loss: 0.4324 - val acc: 0.8536
Epoch 13/15
4173 - acc: 0.8632 - val loss: 0.4144 - val acc: 0.8654
Epoch 14/15
4064 - acc: 0.8640 - val loss: 0.4099 - val acc: 0.8600
Epoch 15/15
3983 - acc: 0.8650 - val loss: 0.3956 - val acc: 0.8636
```

```
# plot against baseline
In [294]:
          L2 dict = L2 history.history
          L2_acc_values = L2_dict['acc']
          L2_val_acc_values = L2_dict['val_acc']
          fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12, 8))
          epochs = range(1, len(baseline_acc_values) + 1)
          ax.plot(epochs, baseline acc values, label='Training acc (Baseline)')
          ax.plot(epochs, baseline_val_acc_values, label='Val acc (Baseline)')
          ax.plot(epochs, L2_acc_values, label='Training acc (L2)')
          ax.plot(epochs, L2_val_acc_values, label='Val acc (L2)')
          ax.set_title('Training & Validation Accuracy vs. Baseline')
          ax.set_xlabel('Epochs')
          ax.set_ylabel('Accuracy')
          plt.legend()
          plt.show()
```

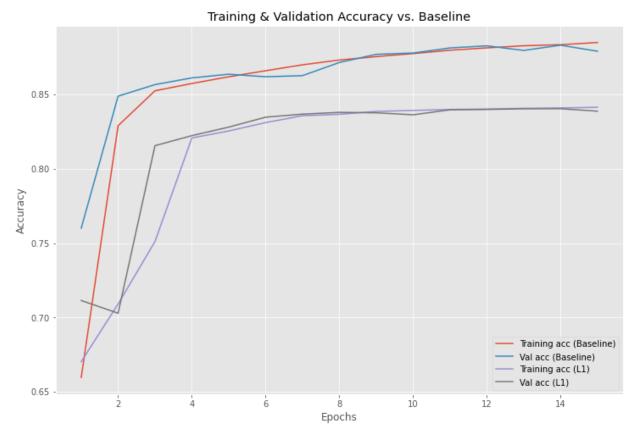


Comparing our regularized results vs. the baseline, we can see baseline results were stronger. Compare results using I1 regularization.

```
In [295]: # L1 Regularization to try and improve results
          L1_model = models.Sequential()
          # add input and first hidden layer
          L1_model.add(layers.Dense(100,
                                    activation='relu',
                                    kernel_regularizer=regularizers.11(0.005),
                                    input_shape=(n_features,)))
          # addditional hidden layers
          L1_model.add(layers.Dense(100, activation='relu', kernel_regularizer=regula
          L1_model.add(layers.Dense(100, activation='relu', kernel_regularizer=regula
          L1_model.add(layers.Dense(50, activation='relu', kernel_regularizer=regular
          L1_model.add(layers.Dense(50, activation='relu', kernel_regularizer=regular
          # output layer
          L1_model.add(layers.Dense(1, activation='sigmoid'))
          # compile model
          L1 model.compile(optimizer='SGD',
                           loss='binary_crossentropy',
                           metrics=['acc'])
```

```
Train on 407606 samples, validate on 135869 samples
Epoch 1/15
3163 - acc: 0.6703 - val loss: 5.2149 - val acc: 0.7114
Epoch 2/15
8199 - acc: 0.7091 - val loss: 1.2078 - val acc: 0.7029
Epoch 3/15
8008 - acc: 0.7511 - val loss: 0.5830 - val acc: 0.8156
5397 - acc: 0.8208 - val loss: 0.5144 - val acc: 0.8223
Epoch 5/15
5011 - acc: 0.8254 - val loss: 0.4910 - val acc: 0.8280
Epoch 6/15
4827 - acc: 0.8311 - val loss: 0.4761 - val acc: 0.8347
Epoch 7/15
4708 - acc: 0.8357 - val loss: 0.4663 - val acc: 0.8368
Epoch 8/15
4635 - acc: 0.8367 - val loss: 0.4602 - val acc: 0.8380
Epoch 9/15
4581 - acc: 0.8386 - val loss: 0.4587 - val acc: 0.8377
Epoch 10/15
4545 - acc: 0.8393 - val_loss: 0.4547 - val acc: 0.8363
Epoch 11/15
4514 - acc: 0.8399 - val_loss: 0.4510 - val_acc: 0.8397
Epoch 12/15
4490 - acc: 0.8402 - val loss: 0.4482 - val acc: 0.8400
Epoch 13/15
4468 - acc: 0.8407 - val loss: 0.4472 - val acc: 0.8404
Epoch 14/15
4445 - acc: 0.8410 - val loss: 0.4435 - val acc: 0.8404
Epoch 15/15
4420 - acc: 0.8414 - val loss: 0.4426 - val acc: 0.8388
```

```
In [297]:
          # plot against baseline
          L1 dict = L1 history.history
          L1_acc_values = L1_dict['acc']
          L1_val_acc_values = L1_dict['val_acc']
          fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12, 8))
          epochs = range(1, len(baseline_acc_values) + 1)
          ax.plot(epochs, baseline acc values, label='Training acc (Baseline)')
          ax.plot(epochs, baseline_val_acc_values, label='Val acc (Baseline)')
          ax.plot(epochs, L1_acc_values, label='Training acc (L1)')
          ax.plot(epochs, L1_val_acc_values, label='Val acc (L1)')
          ax.set_title('Training & Validation Accuracy vs. Baseline')
          ax.set_xlabel('Epochs')
          ax.set_ylabel('Accuracy')
          plt.legend()
          plt.show()
```



Baseline is still outperforming - - will move forward without regularization. Model is not overfitting, but performance is still looking better with our random forest

# 5. Evaluation

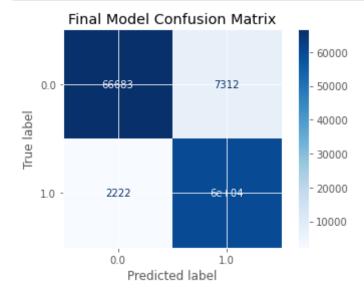
4 different models were evaluated, including: Decision Trees, Random Forests, XGBoost, and Neural Networks. A baseline with no hyperparameter tuning was generated for each model prior to grid search to find the optimal hyperparameters.

```
In [299]: # instantiate best overall (random forest)
          best_overall = RandomForestClassifier(random_state=SEED,
                                                 class_weight='balanced',
                                                 n jobs=-1,
                                                 criterion='gini',
                                                 max depth=15,
                                                 min samples leaf=1,
                                                 min_samples_split=2)
          best_overall.fit(X_train_final, y_train_final)
Out[299]: RandomForestClassifier(class_weight='balanced', max_depth=15, n_jobs=-1,
                                  random state=23)
In [300]: # print and score results
          best_results = print_model_scores(X_train_final, X_test_final,
                                             y train final, y test final,
                                             best_overall, 'best_overall')
          Accuracy:
          Training Set: 0.9380431102584359
          Testing Set: 0.9298294680905873
          Precision:
          Training Set: 0.8991085516328288
          Testing Set: 0.8908070007765366
          Recall:
          Training Set: 0.973149879055936
          Testing Set: 0.9640883084979152
          F1 Score:
          Training Set: 0.9346651764925026
          Testing Set: 0.9260000931402226
          ROC AUC:
          Training Set: 0.9409182901449071
          Test Set: 0.9326354104149147
```

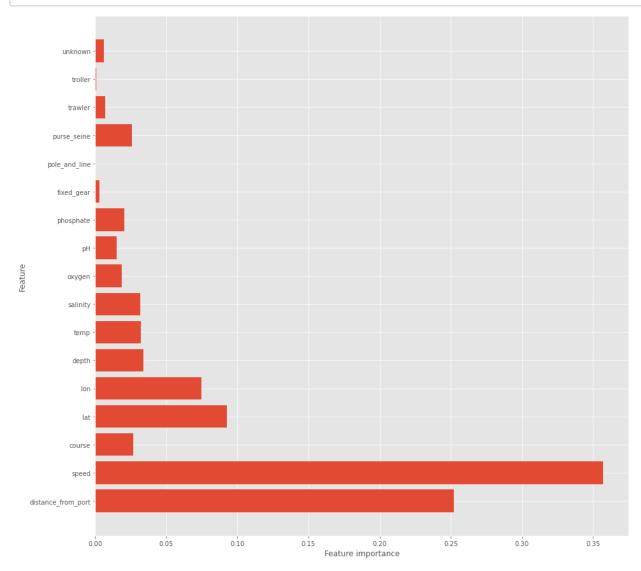
Summarizing the performance metrics of our final model, we see the following scores:

- Accuracy: 93%, meaning our model assigns the correct label 93% of the time. A significant improvement over a "dummy" model with accuracy of ~55%.
- Precision: 89%, meaning if our model labels a data point as fishing, there is a 89% chance it is really fishing.
- Recall: 96%, meaning that of all data points actually labeled as fishing, our model was able to correctly identify 96% of them.
- F1 Score: 93%. Represents harmonic mean between recall and precision.
- ROC AUC: 0.93, represents the area under the ROC curve. A perfect score is 1.

While there is some room for improvement, these scores are strong. The time it takes to train our final selected model is fairly trivial, even with tuning of hyperparams.



In [302]: # plot feature importance of final model
 plot\_feature\_importances(best\_overall, X\_train\_final, y\_train\_final)



Given strong results, regulators and policy makers could use this classifier in conjunction with public AIS and Ocean Station Data to monitor vessels in real-time when physical monitoring is not possible. Additionally, coordinates of vessels marked as fishing could be cross-checked against restricted areas to help identify illegal / unregulated fishing activity.

# **Conclusion**

Given the strong results of our classifier, I suggest the following recommendations:

- 1. Use classifier in conjunction with public AIS data to start tagging ships as fishing or not
- 2. Cross reference vessels labeled as fishing with illegal fishing zones, regulated areas, etc.
- 3. Physically search ships arriving at port that have been flagged as potential violators.

