

Machine Learning For Credit Card Fraud Detection

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Abstract—This document gives insight into the process of data preprocessing techniques used in this project that aims to create a model to detect the probability of credit card fraud.

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I. INTRODUCTION

This report contains information about the steps taken when data preprocessing, related works and our projects difference from these works, the detailed description of our dataset and our feature selection methods, with the aim to create a model that can detect and categorize credit card fraud with high accuracy and precision. To achieve this goal, many categorisation models were compared with each other to find the model with the best results.

II. LITERATURE STUDIES

A. A Comprehensive Survey of Data Mining-Based Fraud Detection Research

“This survey paper categorises, compares, and summarises from almost all published technical and review articles in automated fraud detection within the last 10 years. It defines the professional fraudster, formalises the main types and subtypes of known fraud, and presents the nature of data evidence collected within affected industries. Within the business context of mining the data to achieve higher cost savings, this research presents methods and techniques together with their problems. Compared to all related reviews on fraud detection, this survey covers much more technical articles and is the only one, to the best of our knowledge, which proposes alternative data and solutions from related domains.” [1].

B. The Application of Data Mining Techniques in Financial Fraud Detection: A Classification Framework and an Academic Review of Literature

“This paper presents a review of — and classification scheme for — the literature on the application of data mining techniques for the detection of financial fraud. Although financial fraud detection (FFD) is an emerging topic of great importance, a comprehensive literature review of the subject has yet to be carried out. This paper thus represents the first systematic, identifiable and comprehensive academic literature review of the data mining techniques that have been applied to FFD.” [2].

C. Financial Fraud Detection Applying Data Mining Techniques: A Comprehensive Review From 2009 to 2019

“This paper gives a comprehensive revision of the state-of-the-art research in detecting financial fraud from 2009 to 2019 inclusive and classifying them based on their types of fraud and data mining technology utilized in detecting financial fraud. The review result yielded a sample of 75 relevant articles (58 conference papers with 17 peer-reviewed journal articles) that are categorized into four main groups (bank fraud, insurance fraud, financial statement fraud, and cryptocurrency fraud). The study shows that 34 data mining techniques were used to identify fraud throughout various financial applications. The SVM is found to be one of the most widely used financial fraud detection techniques that carry about 23% of the overall study, followed by both Naïve Bayes and Random Forest, resulting in 15%.” [3].

D. Distributed Data Mining in Credit Card Fraud Detection

“Credit card transactions continue to grow in number, taking an ever-larger share of the US payment system and leading to a higher rate of stolen account numbers and subsequent losses by banks. Improved fraud detection thus has become essential to maintain the viability of the US payment system. Banks have used early fraud warning systems for some years. Large scale data-mining techniques can improve the state of the art in commercial practice. Scalable techniques to analyze massive amounts of transaction data that efficiently compute fraud detectors in a timely manner is an important problem, especially for e-commerce. Besides scalability and efficiency, the fraud-detection task exhibits technical problems that include skewed distributions of training data and nonuniform cost per error, both of which have not been widely studied in the knowledge-discovery and data mining community.” [4].

E. Data Mining Application in Credit Card Fraud Detection System

“Nationwide, financial losses due to financial statement frauds (FSF) are mounting. The industry recognizes the problem and is just now starting to act. Although prevention is the best way to reduce frauds, fraudsters are adaptive and will usually find ways to circumvent such measures. Detecting fraud is essential once prevention mechanism has failed. Several data mining algorithms have been developed that allow one to extract relevant knowledge from a large amount of data like fraudulent financial statements to detect FSF. Detecting FSF is a new attempt; thus, several research questions have often been asked: (1) Can FSF be detected?

How likely and how to do it? (2) What data features can be used to predict FSF? (3) What kinds of algorithm can be used to detect FSF? (4) How to measure the performance of the detection? And (5) How effective of these algorithms in terms of fraud detection? To help answer these questions, we conduct an extensive review on literatures. We present a generic framework to guide our analysis. Critical issues for FSF detection are identified and discussed.” [5].

The difference of our project, from these other projects, is that our project uses commonly used categorisation models rather than using specific models for every situations.

III. DESCRIPTION OF THE DATASET

Our dataset contains information about transactions that happened in two days. There are four types of features in our dataset, which are : V1...V28, time, amount and our target class.

A. V1...V28

These features are named this way to safeguard the confidentiality of credit card users. They contain values between -1 and 1 with exceptions. These features can be categorised as nominal data because they are not connected to or ordered by eachoder, and have discrete numerical values.

B. Time

This feature measures the time passed since the first transaction, in seconds. This feature can be categorized as a continuous interval data because it has order and time is continuous.

C. Amount

This feature is the amount that was transacted. This feature can be categorized as discrete or interval data because money is not continuous and our numeric data has order.

D. Target Feature

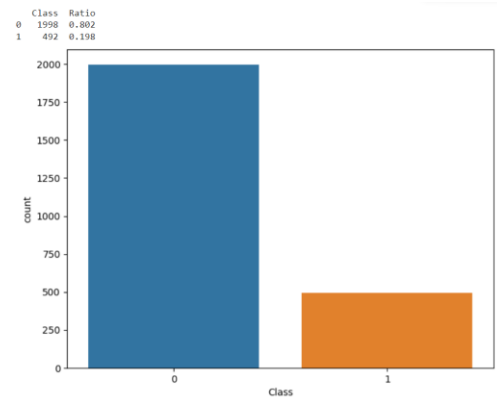
The target value is named "Class" in the data set. This feature is our target feature to determine if our transaction is fraud or not. It can both be categorized as categorical data or binary data because It has only two values it can have, 1 and

0 and It categorizes data.

IV. DATA PREPROCESSING TECHNIQUES

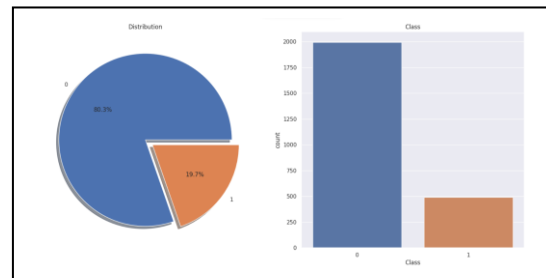
The dataset that was have chosen to test the model was noisy and had low connections between its features. As a results, many data preprocessing methods had to be used. They are, in order:

- Only 492 of the 284000 records in the data set correspond to the fraud class, which means that the ratio of all transactions is 0.172 fraud.
- To prevent this imbalance, the undersampling technique was first applied. From 284000 records, 2000 non-fraud data were sampled and 492 were concatenated with fraud transactions.



- Numerical values were analyzed to find out the noisiness of the features.
- Since there were only integer variables in the data set, no encoding process was applied except for the class feature.
- The distribution of features was examined using graphical representation techniques such as histograms and barplots

Index	count	mean	std	min	25%	50%	75%	max
V1	2400.0	0.0413369000000000	0.21510722240000	-0.1910000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.1910000000000000	0.3820000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V2	2400.0	-0.0140000000000000	0.3000000000000000	-0.3000000000000000	-0.1000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V3	2400.0	0.1710000000000000	0.2700000000000000	-0.1000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.1000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V4	2400.0	-0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.2000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V5	2400.0	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.2000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V6	2400.0	-0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.2000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V7	2400.0	-0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.2000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V8	2400.0	0.1210000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.1000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.1000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V9	2400.0	-0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.2000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V10	2400.0	-0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.2000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V11	2400.0	0.1000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.1000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.1000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V12	2400.0	-0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.2000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V13	2400.0	-0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.2000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V14	2400.0	-0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.2000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V15	2400.0	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.2000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V16	2400.0	-0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.2000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V17	2400.0	-0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.2000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V18	2400.0	-0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.2000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V19	2400.0	0.1000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.1000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.1000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V20	2400.0	-0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.2000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V21	2400.0	0.1000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.1000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.1000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V22	2400.0	-0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.2000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V23	2400.0	-0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.2000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V24	2400.0	-0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.2000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V25	2400.0	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.2000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V26	2400.0	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.2000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V27	2400.0	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.2000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
V28	2400.0	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	-0.2000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.2000000000000000	1.0000000000000000
Class	2400.0	0.1998000000000000	0.3998000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.0000000000000000	0.1998000000000000	1.0000000000000000



- When performing Outlier analysis, threshold values were selected as 0.05 and 0.95 The reason for this is not to interfere too much with data integrity.
- Multivariate Outlier Analysis was performed using Local Outlier Factor.

- Since the point where the slope changed the most was the 10th point, data with values lower than this point were deleted.
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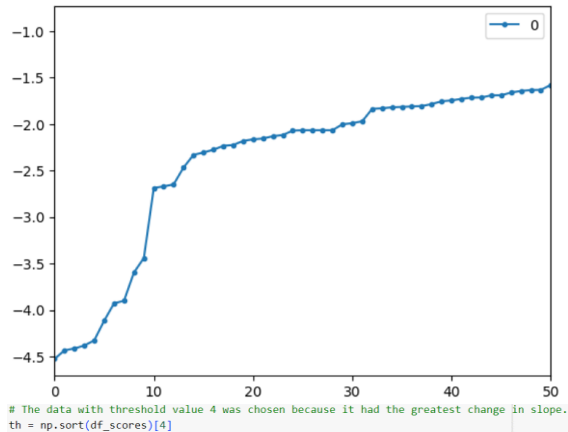
```
# Calculate the first and third quartiles
quartile1 = dataframe[col_name].quantile(q1)
quartile3 = dataframe[col_name].quantile(q3)

# Calculate the interquartile range (IQR)
interquartile = quartile3 - quartile1

# Calculate the upper and lower thresholds for outliers using 1.5 times the IQR
up = quartile3 + 1.5 * interquartile
low = quartile1 - 1.5 * interquartile

# Replace values below the lower threshold with the lower threshold
dataframe.loc[(dataframe[variable] < low_limit), variable] = low_limit

# Replace values above the upper threshold with the upper threshold
dataframe.loc[(dataframe[variable] > up_limit), variable] = up_limit
```



- There were no missing values in the dataset, because of that random values were turned into missing values, median was used to fill them. (Median was used because the data had too many outliers, which made mean values unusable.).

```
def assign_random_nulls(df, num_nulls):

    col_set = set()

    while len(col_set) < 5:
        col_set.add(np.random.randint(0, df.shape[1]))

    #for _ in range(num_nulls):
    while df.isnull().sum() < num_nulls:
        # Choose a random row and column index
        row_index = np.random.randint(0, df.shape[0])

        col_index = np.random.choice(list(col_set))

        # Assign null value to the selected cell
        df.iat[row_index, col_index] = np.nan

    # Assign n random null values to the DataFrame
    num_nulls = 400 # The number of null values can be changed here.
    assign_random_nulls(df, num_nulls)

na_cols = missing_values_table(df, True)
```

	n_miss	ratio
V16	95	3.821
V19	87	3.500
V28	81	3.258
V8	71	2.856
V23	66	2.655

```
for col in na_cols:
    # Null values in the dataset are filled with median.
    df[col] = df[col].fillna(df[col].median())
```

- New features were created by combining features with other features, using mathematical calculations, such as NEW_V1*V2 feature which is the multiplication of V1 by V2.
- Since the names of the features were not given, meaning could not be derived, the features were randomly multiplied and added as a new variable.

```
"NEW_V1*V2" = "V1" * "V2"
"NEW_V3*V4" = "V3" * "V4"
"NEW_V5*V6" = "V5" * "V6"
"NEW_V7*V8*V9" = "V7" * "V8" * "V9"
"NEW_V10*V11" = "V10" * "V11"
"NEW_V12*V13*V14" = "V12" * "V13" * "V14"
"NEW_V15*V16" = "V15" * "V16"
"NEW_V17*V18" = "V17" * "V18"
"NEW_V19*V20*V21" = "V19" * "V20" * "V21"
"NEW_V22*V23" = "V22" * "V23"
"NEW_V24*V25*V26" = "V24" * "V25" * "V26"
"NEW_V27*V28" = "V27" * "V28"
"NEW_V2*V3" = "V2" * "V3"
"NEW_V4*V5*V6" = "V4" * "V5" * "V6"
"NEW_V7*V8" = "V7" * "V8"
"NEW_V9*V10*V11" = "V9" * "V10" * "V11"
"NEW_V12*V13" = "V12" * "V13"
"NEW_V14*V15*V16" = "V14" * "V15" * "V16"
"NEW_V17*V18*V19" = "V17" * "V18" * "V19"
```

NEW_V1*V2	NEW_V3*V4	NEW_V5*V6	NEW_V7*V8*V9
-0.939	0.113	-0.024	-0.321
-2.307	-18.873	6.578	14.470
-2.781	2.673	0.797	0.061
0.658	-23.934	-3.858	-3.387
-0.379	1.510	0.036	-0.066

- Normalization of the data was done using Robust Scaler, because regular normalization methods would give us bad results because of the high outlier count
- Using the SMOTE technique Oversampling was applied.

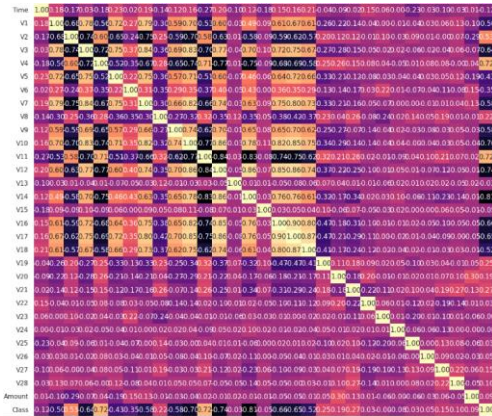
```
# Smote application (Applied to the training set)

oversample = SMOTE(random_state = 17)#
X_smote, y_smote = oversample.fit_resample(X, y)

# Number of classes of the training set after smote
y_smote.value_counts()

1    1996
0    1996
Name: Class, dtype: int64
```

- 1500 new fraud data were generated using 492 fraud data, thus preventing imbalance.
- Smote Oversampling had to be used because the dataset was still too imbalanced. This method made the dataset %50 %50 fraud and not fraud.
- When correlation analysis was performed on the data, some significant correlation was observed between two features.



Correlation Matrix

- The data was split into %10 test and %90 training data and also n-folds (n = 10) to use for cross-validation.

V. APLIED MACHINE LEARNING METHODS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Four different models were used in this project, all of them from the Skit-Learn Library of Python programming language.

A. Support Vector Machine – SVC

Support Vectors Machines are machine learning algorithms that are used for classification and regression tasks. It's aim is to separate data into different classes. It does so by trying to find an optimal hyperplane that can separate maximum amount of data into different classes. In our 2D dataset, that hyperplane is a line that separates data.

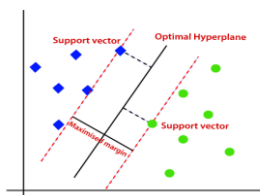


Figure 1. SVM Example

To find this hyperplane, the algorithm uses Support Vectors, which are datapoints that have the maximum margin values. Margin values are determined by the distance the closest datapoint of each class has to the optimal hyperplane. The algorithm is complete when it finds the maximum margin.

For complex datasets like ours, where we have to find a non-linear hyperspace, we need to map our datapoints into a higher dimensional space. Kernels are used for this purpose.

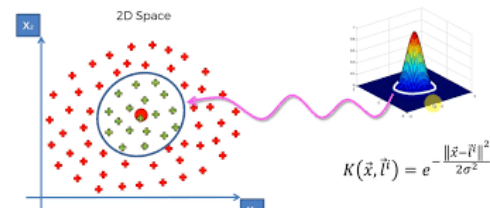


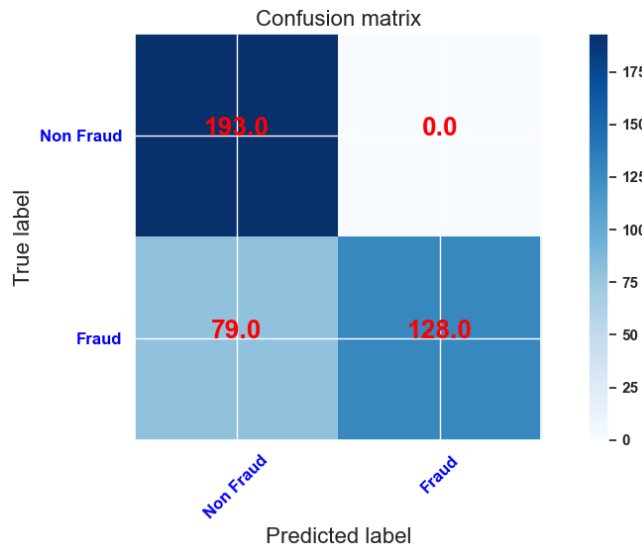
Figure 2. Gaussian Radial Basis Function (RBF) kernel

The kernel that is used uses the formula on Figure 2 to find the distance of datapoints from a selected landmark and then to map them into a higher dimensional space, like a cone. The new optimal hyperplane is then calculated using this higher dimensional space.

Python library scklit-learn's SVM library was used for this model.

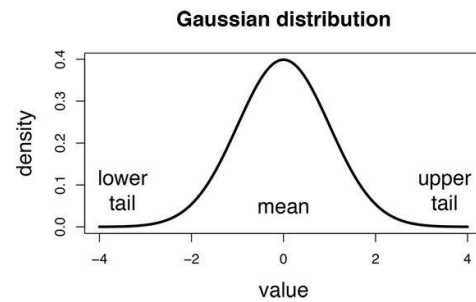
First of all, using the hold-out technique, the data set was divided into 90% train and 10% test, and the SVC model was trained on this. The precision value was 1, the recall value was 0.62, 0.76, and the accuracy value was 0.80.

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.71	1.00	0.83	193
1	1.00	0.62	0.76	207
accuracy			0.80	400
macro avg	0.85	0.81	0.80	400
weighted avg	0.86	0.80	0.80	400



B. Naïve-Bayes – GaussianNB

Naïve-Bayes is a Bayesian model used for probabilistic classification machine learning algorithms.



$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A) P(A)}{P(B)}$$

using Bayesian probability terminology, the above equation can be written as

$$\text{Posterior} = \frac{\text{prior} \times \text{likelihood}}{\text{evidence}}$$

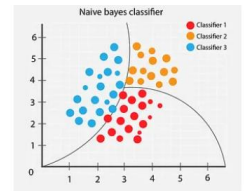


Figure 3. Naive-Bayes Classification

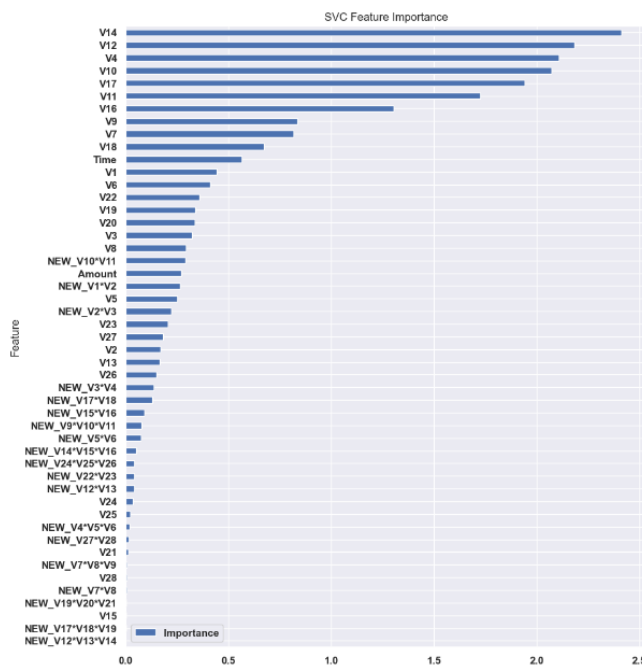
In the last step, 10-fold cross validation was performed. Accuracy: 0.81, F1-Score: 0.77, Roc-Auc: 0.94, Precision: 0.99, Recall: 0.63 values were obtained.

In the next step, hyperparameter optimization was performed.

```
svc_params = {"C": np.arange(1,10),
              "gamma": [1, 5, 'scale', 'auto'],
              "kernel": ['linear', 'rbf']}
```

As a result of 10-fold GridSearch using the svc_params hyperparameter list, the optimum hyperparameters were obtained as {'C': 9, 'gamma': 1, 'kernel': 'linear'} and the final model was established with these parameters. In the last case, results of Accuracy: 0.95, F1-Score: 0.95, Roc-Auc: 0.99, Precision: 0.98, Recall: 0.93 were obtained.

When the features were examined by removing the Feature Importance graphics, it was observed that the V14, V12, V4, V10 features contributed well to the model.



As seen in the formula in Figure 3., the bayesian algorithm uses prior knowledge for classification. Naïve part represents Naïve Assumption, which is the assumption that independent from one another. For this reason, its best use is in datasets that have low correlation.

Gaussian Naïve-Bayes, the one used in the project, has a different assumption. It assumes the datapoints follow a Gaussian distribution like in Figure 4.. To learn, it not only takes the prior information like in regular Naïve-Bayes method, it also calculates the z-score and the standart deviation of the datapoint. The formula used is in Figure 5.

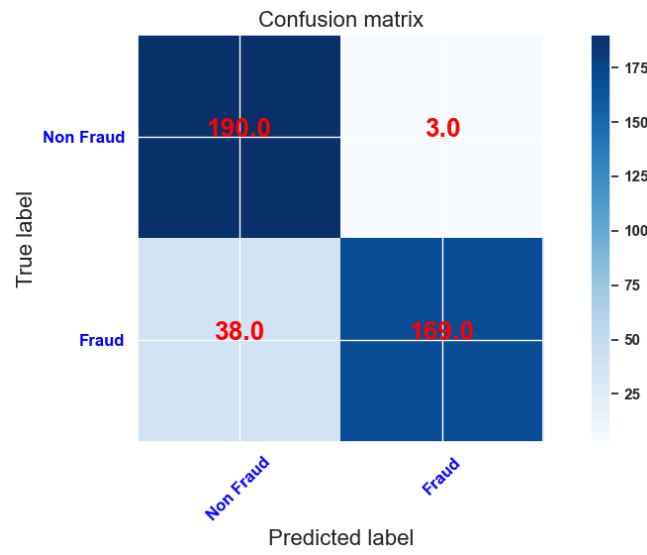
$$p(x_i|y_j) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_j^2}} e^{-\frac{(x_i-\mu_j)^2}{2\sigma_j^2}}$$

Figure 5. Gaussian Naïve-Bayes Algorithm

Python library skllearn GaussianNB was used for this model.

First of all, using the hold-out technique, the data set was divided into 90% train and 10% test, and the naive Bayes model was trained on this. The precision value was 0.98, the recall value was 0.82, 0.89, and the accuracy value was 0.90.

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.83	0.98	0.90	193
1	0.98	0.82	0.89	207
accuracy			0.90	400
macro avg	0.91	0.90	0.90	400
weighted avg	0.91	0.90	0.90	400



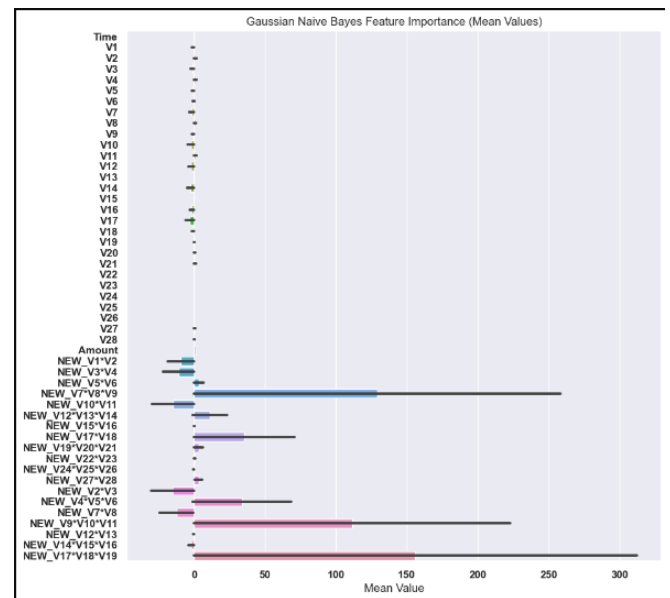
In the next step, 10-fold cross validation was performed. Accuracy: 0.90 F1-Score: 0.90 Roc-Auc: 0.95 Precision: 0.97 Recall: 0.83 values were obtained.

In the last step, hyperparameter optimization was performed.

`nb_params = {'var_smoothing': [1e-09, 1e-08, 1e-07, 1e-06, 1e-05]}`

As a result of 10-fold GridSearch using the `nb_params` hyperparameter list, the optimum hyperparameters were obtained as `nb_params = {'var_smoothing': 1e-09}` and the final model was established with these parameters. In the last case, results of Accuracy: 0.90, F1-Score: 0.90, Roc-Auc: 0.95, Precision: 0.97 Recall: 0.83 were obtained.

When the features were examined by removing the Feature Importance graphics, it was observed that the `NEW_V7*V8*V9`, `NEW_V17*V18*V19`, `NEW_V9*V10*V11` features contributed well to the model.



C. Regression - Logistical Regression

Regression is a learning model, designed to predict a numerical output based on the input space.

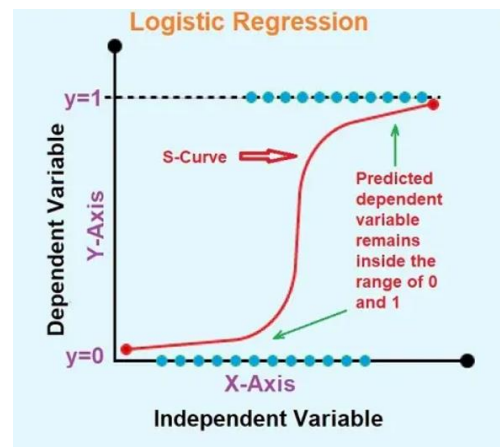


Figure 6. Logistic Regression

The objective of this learning model is to map the input datapoint into a continuous output data. The way it learns data is dependent on the chosen method and most common regression models are not classification models.

Logistic Regression (Figure 6.) was used in the project. This type of regression is mainly used for binary classification tasks. It calculates the probability of an instance belonging to a class. It works with a threshold system where, for classes 0 and 1, any probability bigger or equal to 0.5 is assigned to class 1 and rest are assigned to class 0. Objective of this model is to find the maximum likelihood estimation, which calculates the likelihood of the data, by finding the parameters that do so.

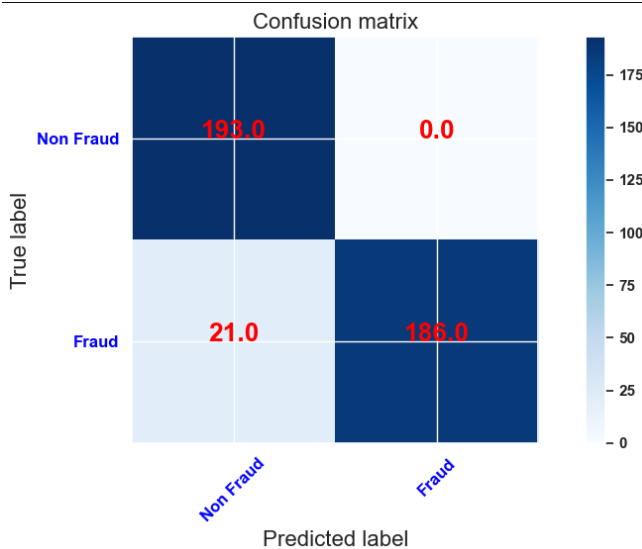
$$\frac{1}{1+e^{-x}}$$

Figure 7. Sigmoid (Logistic) Function

Python library Sckit-learn LogisticRegression was used for this model.

First, using the hold-out technique, the data set was divided into 90% train and 10% test, and the logistic regression model was trained on this. The precision value was 1.00, the recall value was 0.90, 0.95, and the accuracy value was 0.95.

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.90	1.00	0.95	193
1	1.00	0.90	0.95	207
accuracy			0.95	400
macro avg	0.95	0.95	0.95	400
weighted avg	0.95	0.95	0.95	400



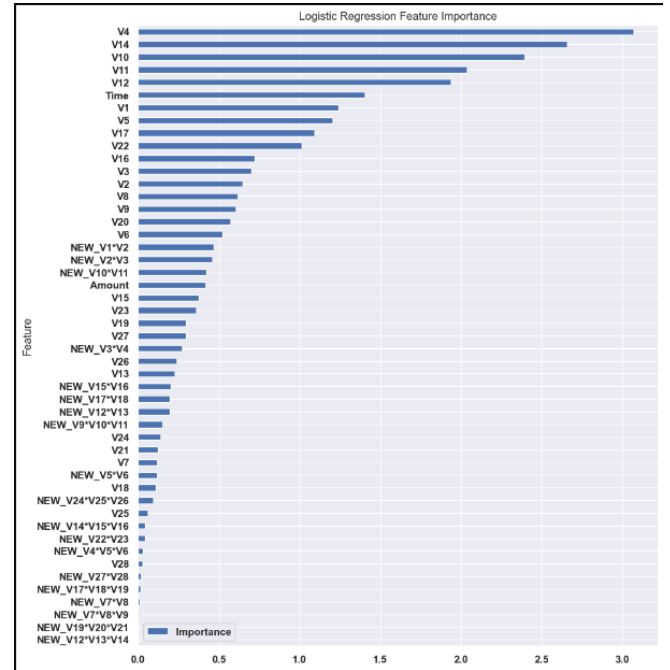
In the next step, 10-fold cross validation was performed. Accuracy: 0.95, F1-Score: 0.95, Roc-Auc: 0.99, Precision: 0.97, Recall: 0.92 values were obtained.

In the last step, hyperparameter optimization was performed.

```
logistic_regression_params = {
    'C': [0.001, 0.01, 0.1, 1, 10, 20, 30, 50], # Different
    values for regularization strength
    'max_iter': [50, 100, 200, 250, 300, 400, 500], #
    Maximum number of iterations
    'solver': ['lbfgs', 'liblinear'], # Solver for optimization
}
```

As a result of 10-fold GridSearch using the logistic_regression_params hyperparameter list, the optimum hyperparameters were obtained as {'C': 10, 'max_iter': 250, 'solver': 'lbfgs'} and the final model was established with these parameters. In the last case, results of Accuracy: 0.95, F1-Score: 0.95, Roc-Auc: 0.99, Precision: 0.97, Recall: 0.93 were obtained.

When the features were examined by removing the Feature Importance graphics, it was observed that the V4, V14, V10, V11 features contributed well to the model.



D. Neural Networks – MLPClassifier

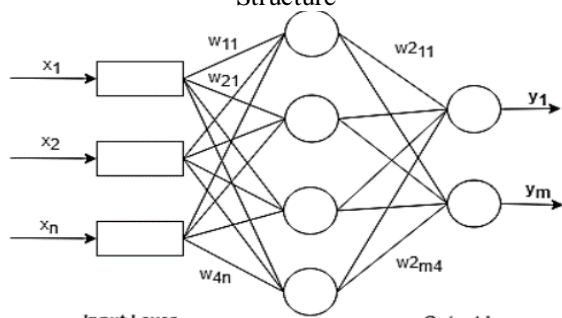
Multi-Layer Perceptron is a type of neural network classifier. It consists of three layers; input layer, hidden layer and output layer.

- Input layer consists of nodes that correspond to each feature of the input data. These nodes then connect to the hidden layer of the model.
- Hidden layer can consist of many node chains, each chain having a weight between nodes. Certain activation functions are used in this layer to introduce non-linearity into the model. Relu is the activation function used in this project, which assigns every negative number to 0.
- Output layer is the last layer of the model and determines the class of the input datapoint using the values it acquired from the hidden layer.

The model learns by a process called backpropagation. A loss value is calculated every time the model predicts, and then the prediction is compared with the real value. The object of the model is to minimize the loss value by

changing the weights and other parameters to achieve this goal.

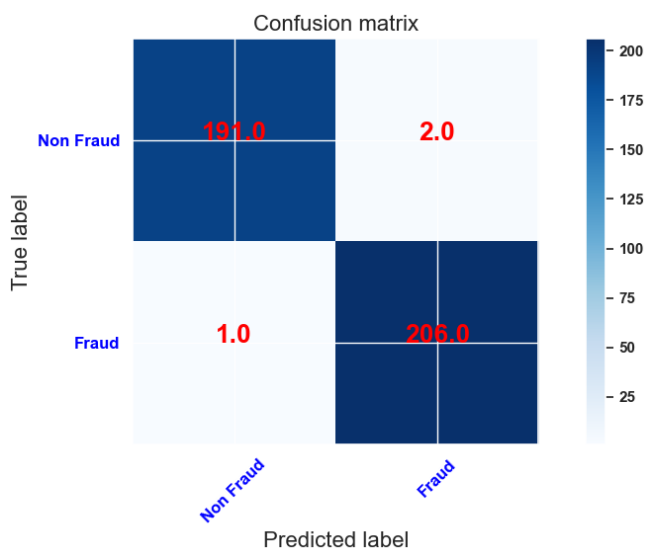
Figure 8.
Structure



for this model.

First, using the hold-out technique, the data set was divided into 90% train and 10% test, and the logistic regression model was trained on this. The precision value was 0.99, the recall value was 1.00, 0.99, and the accuracy value was 0.99.

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.99	0.99	0.99	193
1	0.99	1.00	0.99	207
accuracy			0.99	400
macro avg	0.99	0.99	0.99	400
weighted avg	0.99	0.99	0.99	400



In the next step, 10-fold cross validation was performed. Accuracy: 0.98 F1-Score: 0.98 Roc-Auc: 1.00 Precision: 0.98 Recall: 0.98 values were obtained.

In the last step, hyperparameter optimization was performed.

```
mlpc_params = {"alpha": [0.02, 0.005, 0.001, ],
               "hidden_layer_sizes": [(50, ), (100, )],
               "solver": ["lbfgs", "adam", "sgd"],
               "activation": ["relu", "logistic"]}
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Optimal hyperparameters as a result of 10-fold GridSearch using mlpc_params hyperparameter list {'activation': 'relu', 'alpha': 0.005,

'hidden_layer_sizes': (100,), 'solver': 'adam'} and the final model was built with these parameters. In the last case, the results of Accuracy: 0.98 F1-Score: 0.98 Roc-Auc: 1.00 Precision: 0.98 Recall: 0.99 were obtained.

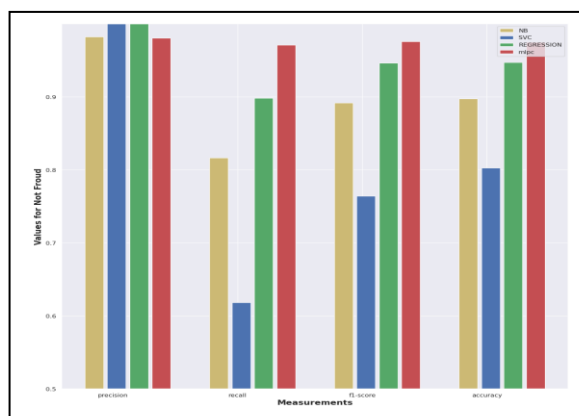
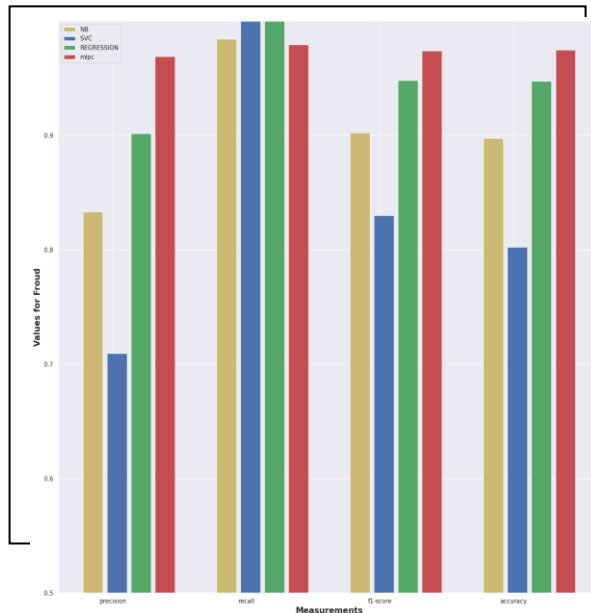
VI. RESULTS OF THE EXPERIMENTS

For our classification project, the most important evaluation metrics are accuracy, precision, f1-score and recall values.

There are two testing methods in this project, one with 90%-10%/train-test split and n-fold (n=10) cross-validation.

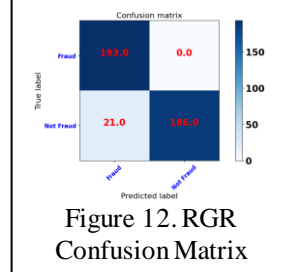
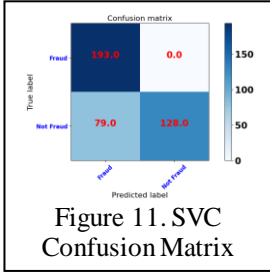
A. 90%-10%/Train-Test Split

We have two separate values for if the class is Fraud or Not Fraud

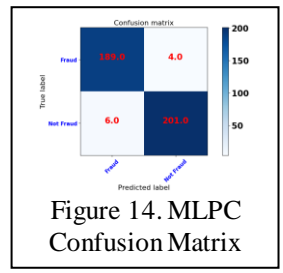
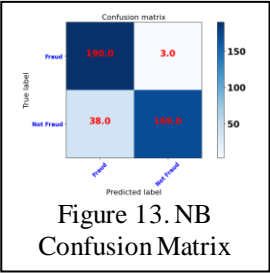


As can be seen, svc has 1.0 precision when it is Fraud and 1.0 Recall when it is Not Fraud. This means that it is not fit for this database. Mlpc on the other hand, has the best overall results across all measurements. Logistic Regression and NB models also have acceptable results.

These observations are supported by these confusion



matrixes for every model



B. N-Fold (N=10)

For cross-validation, we have two separate line graphs for each model, one with original assigned parameters and one with the best parameters assigned using GridSearchCV function of sklearn library. This function fits the model with different parameters and finds the best results.

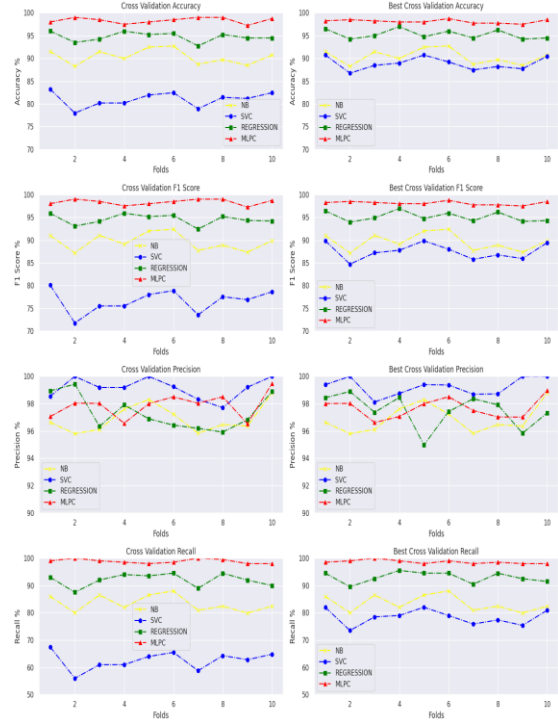


Figure 16. Comparing the Performances of Original Parameters vs Best Parameters

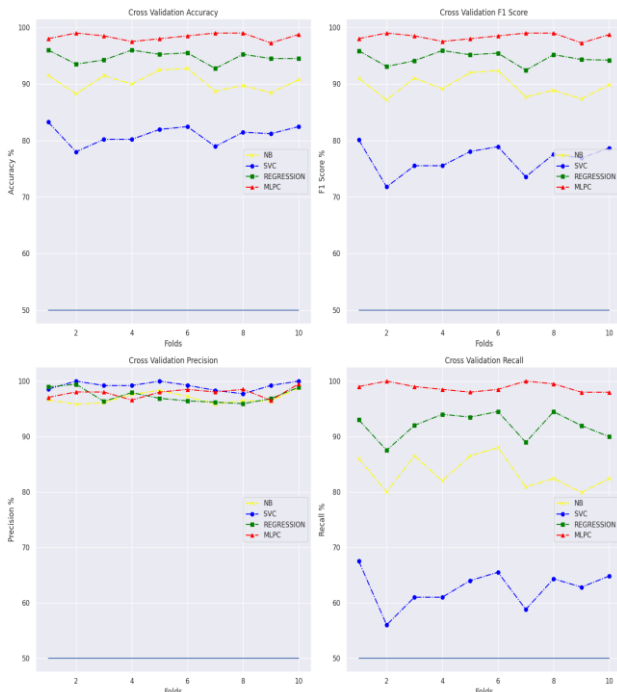


Figure 15. Performance Measurement for Cross-Validation

As can be seen, the selection of parameters effects svc the most, while making others slightly better. These figures (Figure 15 and Figure 16) confirm our observations about every model except svc, where it is possible for it to be acceptable given the best parameters.

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