# HOW RANDOM IS YOUR FOREST?

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# Agenda

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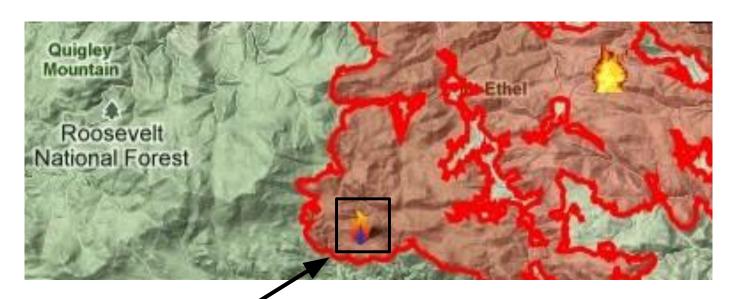
# BACKGROUND & OBJECTIVES

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- Forest fire in Roosevelt National Forest
- Severely damages soil quality
- Harms biodiversity and overall health



## Objectives



- 1. Predict the predominant tree type
- 2. Determine the optimal soil type



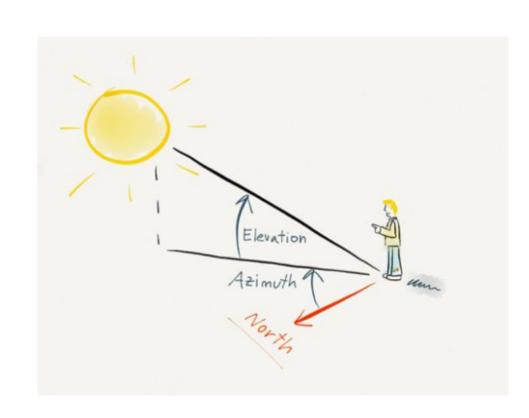
#### Data

#### Cartographic Variables:

- Elevation
- Slope
- Aspect (Azimuth)
- Distance to water, road, fire

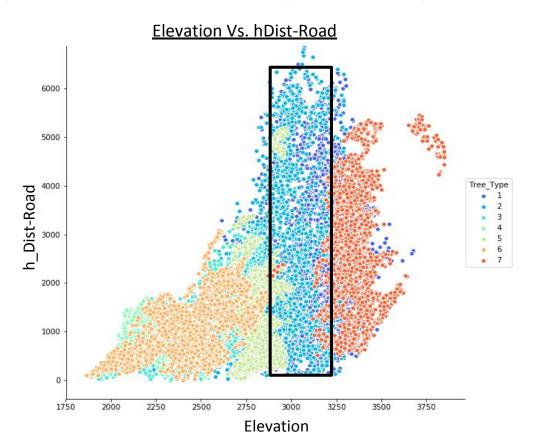
#### **Environmental Variables:**

- Tree Type\* (7)
- Wilderness areas\* (4)
- Soil types\* (40)
- Shade levels

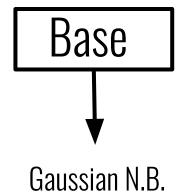


#### EDA

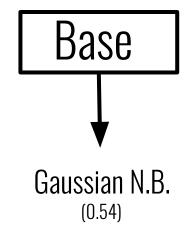
- Visualized the highest correlated features in respect to Tree Type



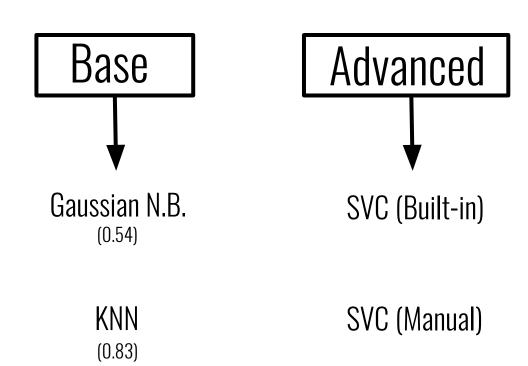


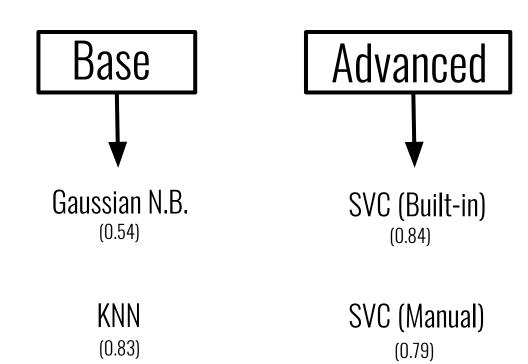


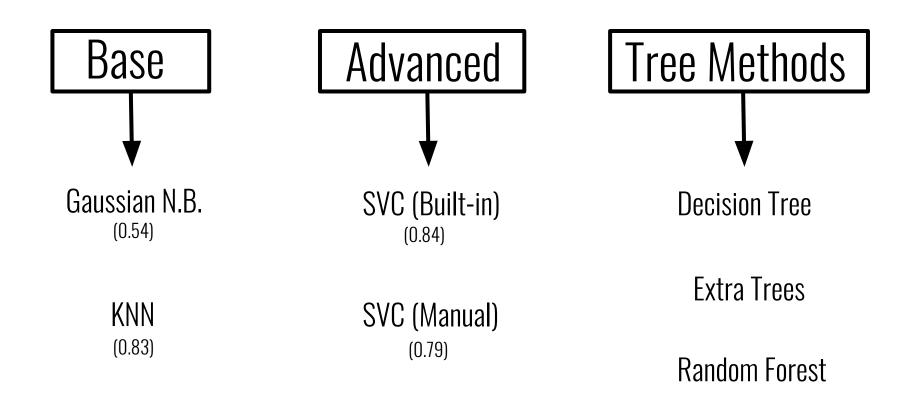
KNN

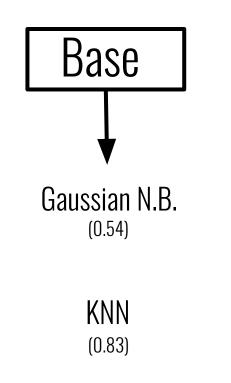


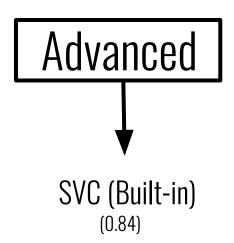
KNN (0.83)

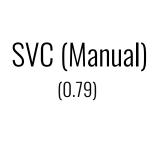


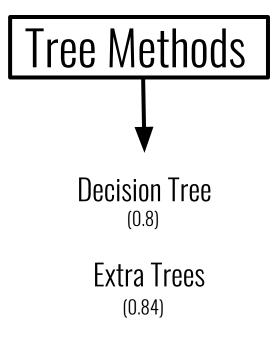




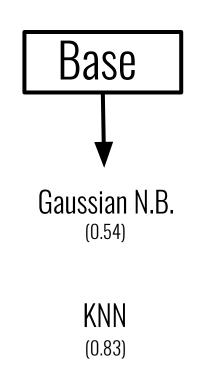


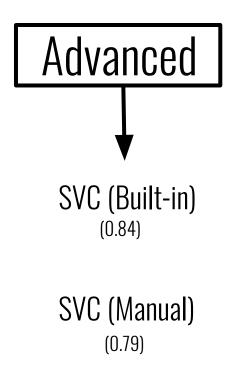


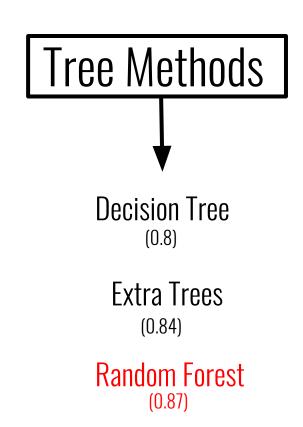




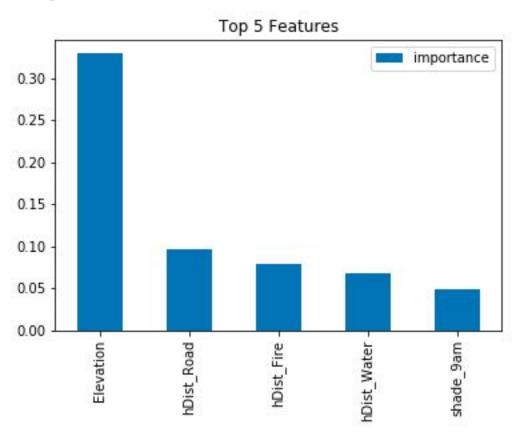
Random Forest (0.87)



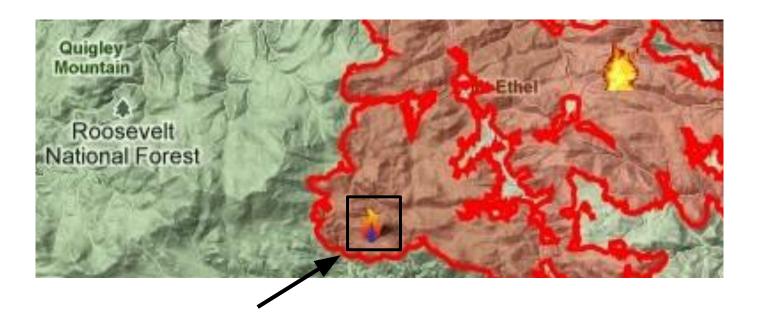




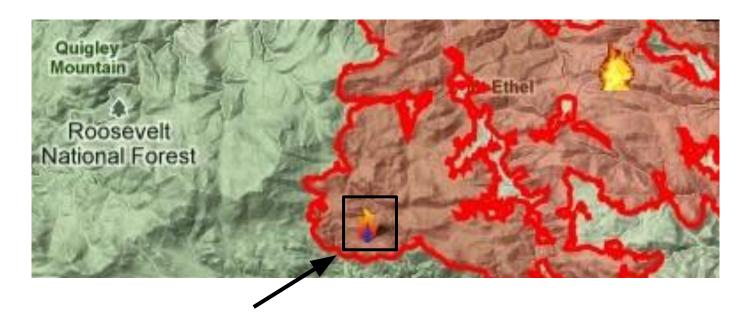
# Feature Importance



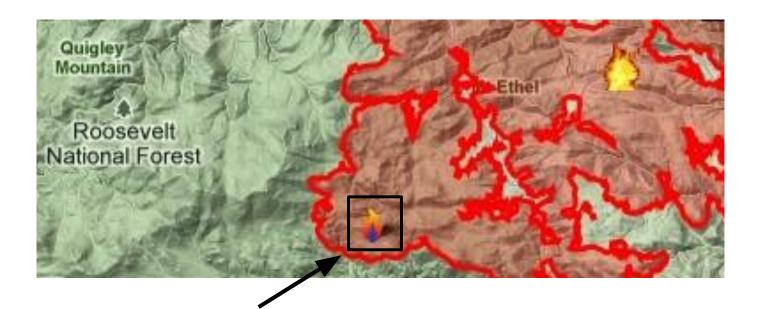




- 1. Predict tree type
- 2. Determine optimal soil type



- 1. Predict tree type: **Tree Type 5 Cottonwood**
- 2. Determine optimal soil type: ???



- 1. Predict tree type: **Tree Type 5 Cottonwood**
- 2. Determine optimal soil type: Wilderness Area: 1 (Rawah)

Elevation: 2771

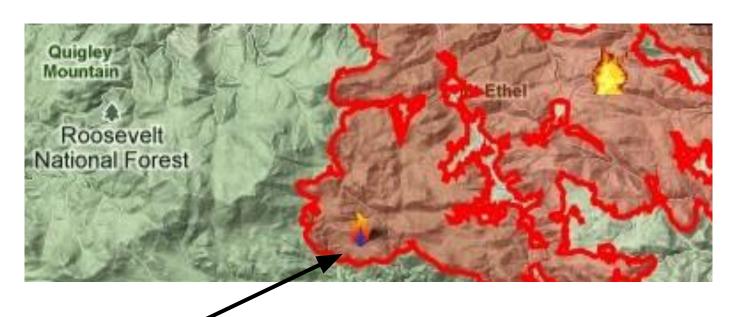
## Soil Types for Cottonwood

- Depending on it's wilderness area and elevation

#### Tree Type 5 - Cottonwood

WA1 - Rawah		WA3 - Comanche Peak	
Elevation	Soil Type	Elevation	Soil Type
2509	ST18	2597	ST2
2645	ST16	2634	ST28
2770	ST30	2640	ST20
2781	ST29	2737	ST10
2830	ST24	2748	ST17

#### Conclusion



- 1. Predict tree type: **Tree Type 5 Cottonwood**
- 2. Determine optimal soil type: ST30 Como Soil

# THANK YOU!

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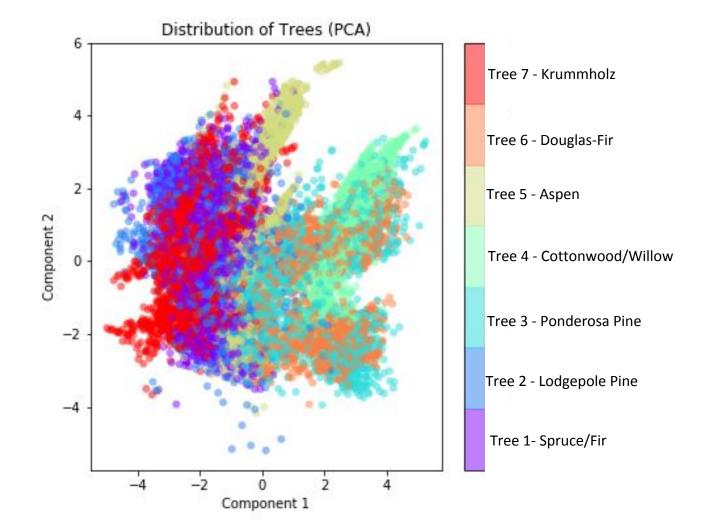
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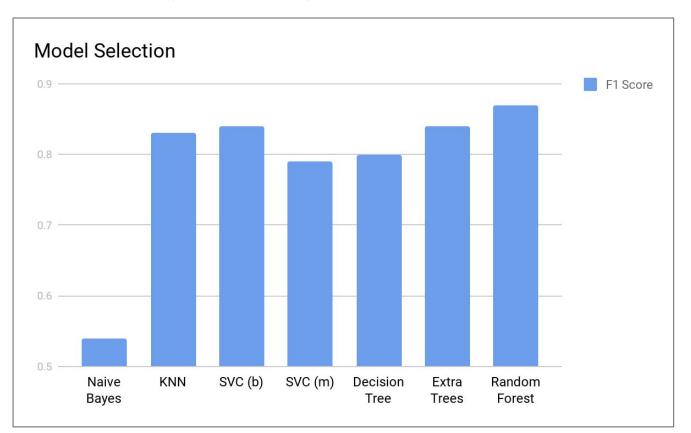
### **EDA**



- Base Gaussian Naive Bayes model
- KNN
- Support Vector Classifier (One vs. Rest)
  - Built-in Vs. Manual
- Decision Tree Classifier
- Extra Trees Classifier
- Random Forest Classifier

#### Model Selection

- Main metric: F1 score (hold out test set)



## Model Analysis

