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# 1 CS422 Project Report – Blind Data Classification

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#### 1.2 Overview

#### **Problem Statement:**

This project focuses on building an accurate classification model using a "blind" dataset—meaning no prior metadata or domain knowledge is available for the features. Key challenges include handling severe class imbalance, high feature dimensionality, and redundant information within features.

#### Relevant Literature:

The methodology was informed by studies on imbalanced learning, dimensionality reduction techniques like PCA, model evaluation metrics for multiclass problems, and model interoperability standards such as ONNX. See the Bibliography section for detailed references.

#### Proposed Methodology:

- Perform thorough statistical analysis and data quality checks

- Mitigate class imbalance through resampling techniques (undersampling with NearMiss) and class weighting
- Apply Principal Component Analysis (PCA) to reduce dimensionality while preserving variance
- Compare multiple classifiers including Logistic Regression, Decision Trees, Random Forests, and XGBoost
- Optimize models using cross-validation and hyperparameter tuning
- Export the best-performing model to ONNX format for easy deployment

#### 1.3 Abstract

This project addresses classification on a dataset lacking feature context, complicating traditional feature engineering. The data exhibited significant class imbalance, causing bias in baseline models. To improve performance, undersampling techniques like NearMiss were employed to balance classes, coupled with feature scaling and PCA for dimensionality reduction. Multiple classification algorithms were evaluated, with Decision Tree (max depth=3) providing a good balance of interpretability and accuracy. The final pipeline was carefully constructed and validated with stratified splits and cross-validation to ensure robustness. Additionally, exporting the finalized model in ONNX format demonstrated readiness for deployment in diverse environments. Overall, the project highlights effective strategies for blind data classification in challenging conditions.

#### 1.4 Libraries Used

We used various libraries for this project, including:

- Data handling & visualization: numpy, pandas, seaborn, matplotlib
- Machine learning models: xgboost, sklearn classifiers (e.g., Logistic Regression, Random Forest, SVM, KNN)
- Preprocessing & feature engineering: StandardScaler, MinMaxScaler, PCA, SelectKBest, ColumnTransformer, Pipeline
- Imbalanced data handling: imblearn's NearMiss
- Model evaluation: sklearn.metrics (accuracy, confusion matrix, classification report)
- Multicollinearity check: variance inflation factor from statsmodels
- Model export & deployment: skl2onnx, onnxruntime
- Miscellaneous: warnings to suppress warnings

These tools supported data processing, modeling, evaluation, and deployment.

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[7]: import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings("ignore")
import numpy as np
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import pandas as pd
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%matplotlib inline
# Models and preprocessing imports
import xgboost as xgb
from statsmodels.stats.outliers_influence import variance_inflation_factor
from sklearn.linear model import SGDClassifier
from sklearn.ensemble import BaggingClassifier, RandomForestClassifier
from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsClassifier
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
from sklearn.svm import LinearSVC, SVC
from sklearn.cluster import KMeans
from sklearn.svm import LinearSVC
from sklearn.naive_bayes import GaussianNB
from xgboost import XGBClassifier
from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, confusion_matrix
from itertools import combinations
from sklearn import metrics
from imblearn.under_sampling import NearMiss
from sklearn import metrics
from sklearn.decomposition import PCA
from sklearn_pandas import DataFrameMapper
from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline
from sklearn2pmml import PMMLPipeline
from sklearn2pmml import sklearn2pmml
from sklearn.compose import ColumnTransformer
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler, MinMaxScaler
from sklearn.feature_selection import SelectKBest, f_classif, SelectFromModel
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.metrics import classification report
from sklearn.feature_selection import SelectKBest
from skl2onnx.common.data_types import FloatTensorType
from skl2onnx import convert sklearn
import onnxruntime as rt
```

# 1.4.1 Data Processing & Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

```
[8]: # Step 1: Initial Data Loading and Basic Exploration
     # Load dataset into a DataFrame
     df = pd.read_csv('data_public.csv') # Replace with your actual file path
     # Print dataset shape (rows, columns)
     print(f"Dataset shape: {df.shape}")
     # Check data types, non-null counts, and memory usage
     df.info(memory_usage='deep')
     # Display first 5 rows with formatting for better readability
     print("First 5 rows of the dataset:")
     display(df.head().style.format("{:.3f}"))
     # Display last 5 rows for a quick overview
     print("Last 5 rows of the dataset:")
     display(df.tail().style.format("{:.3f}"))
     # Check for missing values in each column
     missing = df.isnull().sum()
     missing = missing[missing > 0] # Filter only columns with missing values
     if missing.empty:
         print("No missing values detected in the dataset.")
     else:
         print("Missing values per column:")
         print(missing)
     # Check for duplicate rows in the dataset
     duplicate_count = df.duplicated().sum()
     print(f"Number of duplicate rows in the dataset: {duplicate_count}")
     # Identify constant columns (columns with zero variance)
     constant_cols = [col for col in df.columns if df[col].nunique() == 1]
     if constant_cols:
         print(f"Constant columns detected (zero variance): {constant_cols}")
     else:
         print("No constant columns detected.")
     # Generate summary statistics (count, mean, std, min, quartiles, max) for_
      →numeric columns
     print("Summary statistics for numeric columns:")
     summary_stats = df.describe().T.round(3) # Transpose and round to 3 decimals_
      ⇔for readability
     display(summary_stats)
```

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# Analyze and visualize target class distribution to check for imbalance
target_counts = df['Class'].value_counts(normalize=True).sort_index()
print("Class distribution (proportion):")
for cls, prop in target_counts.items():
    print(f"Class {cls}: {prop:.3f}")
# Bar plot of class distribution for visual understanding
plt.figure(figsize=(6, 4))
sns.barplot(x=target_counts.index, y=target_counts.values, palette='pastel')
plt.title('Target Class Distribution')
plt.xlabel('Class')
plt.ylabel('Proportion')
plt.ylim(0, 1)
plt.grid(axis='y', linestyle='--', alpha=0.7)
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
Dataset shape: (1200000, 16)
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 1200000 entries, 0 to 1199999
Data columns (total 16 columns):
    Column Non-Null Count
                              Dtype
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            1200000 non-null float64
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 12 M
            1200000 non-null float64
 13 N
            1200000 non-null float64
            1200000 non-null float64
 14 0
 15 Class
            1200000 non-null int64
dtypes: float64(15), int64(1)
memory usage: 146.5 MB
First 5 rows of the dataset:
<pandas.io.formats.style.Styler at 0x303080260>
Last 5 rows of the dataset:
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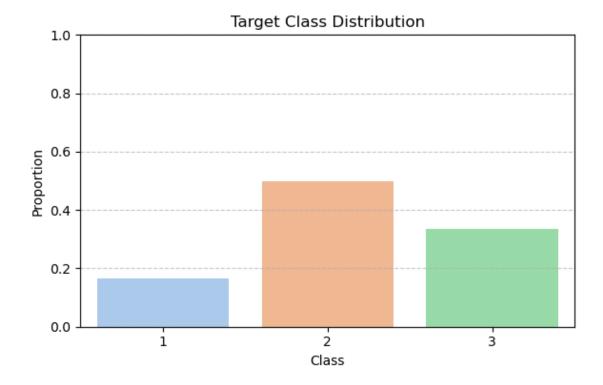
<pandas.io.formats.style.Styler at 0x3049630b0>

No missing values detected in the dataset. Number of duplicate rows in the dataset: 0 No constant columns detected. Summary statistics for numeric columns:

	count	mean	std	min	25%	50%	75%	max
Α	1200000.0	50.687	129.249	-73.089	-37.937	-31.978	228.002	268.774
В	1200000.0	-18.834	14.464	-83.224	-17.867	-13.699	-10.556	4.460
C	1200000.0	71.622	105.281	-59.729	7.553	13.488	212.344	256.170
D	1200000.0	-13.551	46.898	-137.582	-14.713	-8.004	19.558	32.638
E	1200000.0	29.442	72.823	-38.298	-24.363	-18.971	128.902	157.984
F	1200000.0	-6.185	73.091	-148.592	-30.725	-24.754	78.344	122.919
G	1200000.0	31.742	66.603	-66.541	-3.484	1.491	115.184	166.053
H	1200000.0	51.125	103.405	-42.461	-26.297	-18.170	191.589	232.950
I	1200000.0	33.001	42.171	-18.185	-7.595	37.694	79.848	111.297
J	1200000.0	40.925	76.944	-112.384	21.080	27.174	125.385	175.540
K	1200000.0	79.383	94.840	-14.152	2.419	26.530	204.646	259.800
L	1200000.0	-6.747	15.575	-62.718	-8.875	-1.079	3.334	21.595
M	1200000.0	-42.323	17.911	-81.450	-55.673	-52.976	-22.085	10.328
N	1200000.0	49.490	67.282	-20.580	-7.132	14.623	136.360	178.930
0	1200000.0	59.803	66.777	-12.831	0.163	46.893	145.129	180.701
Class	1200000.0	2.167	0.687	1.000	2.000	2.000	3.000	3.000

Class distribution (proportion):

Class 1: 0.167 Class 2: 0.499 Class 3: 0.334



# 1.5 Step 1: Initial Data Loading and Basic Exploration

In this step, we **load** the dataset and perform **basic exploratory data analysis (EDA)** to understand its structure, quality, and key characteristics.

#### • Loading Data:

We import the dataset into a **Pandas DataFrame** for easy manipulation and analysis.

#### • Dataset Shape:

We check the total number of **rows and columns** to get an overview of the dataset's size. Output: (1200000, 16) indicates 1.2 million samples with 16 features (including the target).

#### • Data Information:

Using df.info(), we verify data types, the count of non-null values, and memory usage. This helps confirm there are no missing values and all features are numeric (mostly float64), except the target which is an integer.

#### • Previewing Data:

Displaying the **first and last 5 rows** gives a quick glimpse into the dataset values and their distribution.

#### • Missing Values Check:

We verify whether any columns contain **missing values**. Finding none means our dataset is **complete** and does not require imputation.

#### • Duplicate Rows:

Checking for duplicates ensures there is no redundant data that could bias the model. Here,

zero duplicates were found.

#### • Constant Columns:

Identifying columns with **zero variance** (constant values) is important since they provide no information for modeling. None were detected, so all columns are potentially informative.

#### • Summary Statistics:

We generate a detailed **statistical summary** (count, mean, std deviation, min, max, quartiles) for all numeric features. This helps in understanding the **data distribution**, detecting outliers, and assessing feature scales.

# • Target Class Distribution:

Examining the relative frequency of each class reveals class imbalance:

- Class 1: 16.7%
- Class 2: 49.9%
- Class 3: 33.4%

This indicates the dataset is **skewed toward Class 2**, which may require attention during model training to avoid bias.

#### • Visualization:

A bar plot visually represents the class proportions, making the imbalance easier to interpret.

#### 1.5.1 Why This Matters

Understanding these basic properties ensures that:

- We have **clean**, **well-structured data** free from missing or duplicate entries.
- There are **no useless features** that add noise or unnecessary complexity.
- We are aware of the **class imbalance**, which guides strategies such as resampling or weighted losses during model training.
- Summary statistics inform feature scaling and transformation needs.

This foundational step is critical before moving on to advanced processing, modeling, and evaluation.

```
[9]: # Step 1.1: Visualize feature distributions with histograms

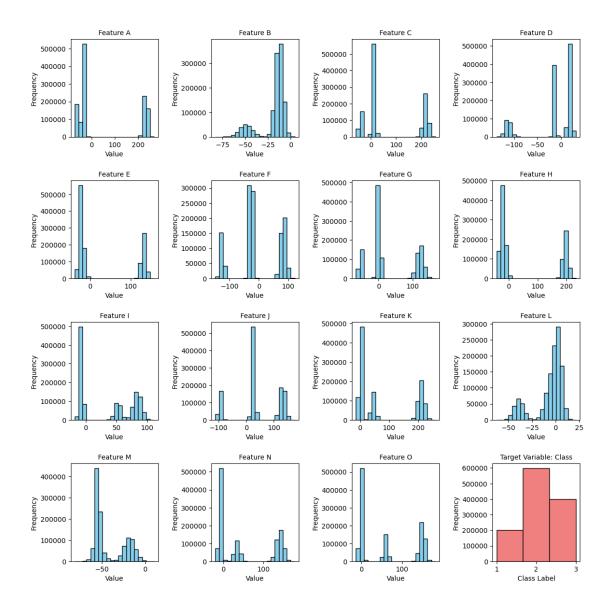
# Purpose: To understand the distribution of each feature and the target
□ variable ('Class').

# This helps in identifying skewness, modality, outliers, or other
□ vcharacteristics that

# might affect modeling choices or preprocessing steps.

features = 'ABCDEFGHIJKLMNO' # Assuming your features are named as single
□ vletters A to 0
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```
num_features = len(features) # Total number of features = 15
# Create a figure object to hold subplots
fig = plt.figure(figsize=(12, 12)) # Set overall figure size for clarity
# We will create a grid of 4 rows x 4 columns for 16 plots (15 features + 1_{\sqcup}
⇔target)
n_rows, n_cols = 4, 4
# Loop through each feature and plot its histogram in a subplot
for i in range(num_features):
    ax = fig.add_subplot(n_rows, n_cols, i + 1) # Create subplot at position_
 \hookrightarrow i+1
    # Plot histogram of the i-th feature from dataframe
    ax.hist(df[features[i]], bins=20, color='skyblue', edgecolor='black')
    ax.set_title(f'Feature {features[i]}', fontsize=10)
    ax.set_xlabel('Value')
    ax.set_ylabel('Frequency')
# Plot histogram for the target variable 'Class' in the last subplot
ax = fig.add_subplot(n_rows, n_cols, num_features + 1)
ax.hist(df['Class'], bins=len(df['Class'].unique()), color='lightcoral',u
 ⇔edgecolor='black')
ax.set_title('Target Variable: Class', fontsize=10)
ax.set_xlabel('Class Label')
ax.set_ylabel('Frequency')
# Adjust spacing between subplots to prevent overlap
fig.tight_layout(pad=2.0)
# Show the final plot grid
plt.show()
```



# 1.6 Step 1.1: Visualize Feature Distributions with Histograms

In this step, we plot **histograms** for each feature as well as the target variable (Class) to understand their distributions.

# • Purpose:

Visualizing feature distributions helps to identify:

- Skewness: Are the data values symmetrically distributed or skewed to one side?
- Modality: Is the distribution unimodal, bimodal, or multimodal?
- Outliers: Are there extreme values that may affect modeling?

- Range and spread: How widely do the feature values vary?

# • Approach:

We create a grid of histograms for all 15 numeric features (A to O) and one for the target variable Class. Each histogram shows the frequency of data points across value intervals (bins).

#### • Insights gained here will guide:

- Whether to apply transformations (e.g., log or power transforms) to reduce skewness.
- The choice of normalization or scaling methods.
- Potential feature engineering or outlier treatment before model training.

Visualizing distributions early in the workflow ensures we understand the data characteristics and can tailor preprocessing accordingly.

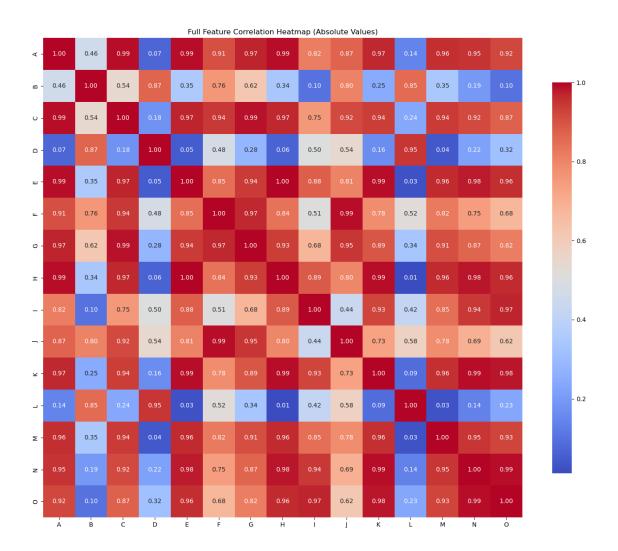
```
[10]: # Step 2: Feature Relationship Analysis and Multicollinearity Check
      # Calculate absolute correlation matrix for all features except target 'Class'
      corr_matrix = df.drop('Class', axis=1).corr().abs()
      # Display full correlation matrix to observe all pairs, including low_
       ⇔correlations
      print("Full feature correlation matrix (absolute values):")
      print(corr_matrix)
      # Visualize the full correlation matrix with heatmap (all features)
      plt.figure(figsize=(14, 12))
      sns.heatmap(corr_matrix, annot=True, fmt=".2f", cmap='coolwarm', square=True,
       ⇔cbar_kws={"shrink": 0.75})
      plt.title("Full Feature Correlation Heatmap (Absolute Values)")
      plt.tight_layout()
      plt.show()
      # Explanation:
      # The heatmap shows strength of linear relationship between every feature pair.
      \# Values near 1.0 indicate very strong correlation, near 0 indicate weak or no<sub>\sqrt</sub>
       \hookrightarrow correlation.
      # Strong correlations suggest redundancy and multicollinearity risks.
      # Calculate Variance Inflation Factor (VIF) for each feature to detectu
       \hookrightarrow multicollinearity
      # VIF > 5 or 10 is usually considered problematic
      X = df.drop('Class', axis=1)
      vif_data = pd.DataFrame()
      vif_data["Feature"] = X.columns
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vif_data["VIF"] = [variance inflation_factor(X.values, i) for i in range(X.
 \hookrightarrowshape[1])]
# Display VIF values for all features
print("\nVariance Inflation Factors (VIF) for all features:")
print(vif data.sort values(by="VIF", ascending=False).reset index(drop=True))
# Explanation:
# VIF quantifies how much a feature's variance is inflated by multicollinearity.
# High VIF values (>5 or 10) indicate high redundancy with other features.
# Such features may be considered for removal or dimensionality reduction.
# Additional Exploration:
# Identify all feature pairs with high correlation (e.g., > 0.90) for further
 →analysis
high_corr_threshold = 0.90
high_corr_pairs = []
for i in range(len(corr_matrix.columns)):
    for j in range(i+1, len(corr_matrix.columns)):
        if corr_matrix.iloc[i, j] > high_corr_threshold:
            f1 = corr_matrix.index[i]
            f2 = corr_matrix.columns[j]
            corr_val = corr_matrix.iloc[i, j]
            high_corr_pairs.append((f1, f2, corr_val))
# Convert to DataFrame for readability
high_corr_df = pd.DataFrame(high_corr_pairs, columns=['Feature 1', 'Feature 2', _
 print("\nFeature pairs with correlation greater than 0.90:")
print(high_corr_df.sort_values(by='Correlation', ascending=False).
 →reset_index(drop=True))
# Explanation:
# Listing all pairs above a threshold helps target redundant features for
 ⇔dimensionality reduction.
# It aids decisions on dropping or combining features to reduce.
 \hookrightarrow multicollinearity.
Full feature correlation matrix (absolute values):
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A 1.000000 0.455949 0.991999 0.071330 0.990703 0.905353 0.972223
B 0.455949 1.000000 0.541742 0.865856 0.352946 0.760708 0.620607
C 0.991999 0.541742 1.000000 0.176224 0.971805 0.943482 0.988351
D 0.071330 0.865856 0.176224 1.000000 0.047459 0.477183 0.279248
E 0.990703 0.352946 0.971805 0.047459 1.000000 0.849129 0.939705
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N
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#### Variance Inflation Factors (VIF) for all features:

F	eature	VIF
0	Α	510.412487
1	Н	381.048482
2	C	371.244398
3	E	343.364977
4	0	336.295022
5	K	291.362082
6	N	188.603257
7	J	146.446404
8	I	132.000853
9	G	130.864494
10	F	114.213625
11	D	98.685666
12	M	46.729565

13 B 27.397368 14 L 13.008305

Feature pairs with correlation greater than 0.90:

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	Feature	1	Feature	2	Correlation		
0		E		Η	0.997116		
1		K		N	0.992158		
2		Α		С	0.991999		
3		Η		K	0.990875		
4		Α		E	0.990703		
5		F		J	0.989868		
6		E		K	0.989217		
7		N		0	0.988920		
8		Α		Η	0.988807		
9		С		G	0.988351		
10		K		0	0.982980		
11		Η		N	0.982403		
12		E		N	0.979925		
13		Α		G	0.972223		
14		С		E	0.971805		
15		Ι		0	0.970965		
16		F		G	0.969055		
17		Α		K	0.968827		
18		С		Η	0.968342		
19		E		М	0.964769		
20		Η		М	0.964627		
21		Η		0	0.962873		
22		Α		М	0.958931		
23		E		0	0.958885		
24		K		М	0.956598		
25		Α		N	0.953081		
26		D		L	0.949485		
27		G		J	0.949429		
28		М		N	0.947381		
29		С		F	0.943482		
30		Ι		N	0.943365		
31		С		М	0.941040		
32		E		G	0.939705		
33		С		K	0.937868		
34		G		Η	0.934714		
35		M		0	0.926620		
36		Ι		K	0.926217		
37		Α		0	0.920322		
38		С		N	0.916578		
39		С		J	0.915784		
40		G		M	0.910385		
41		Α		F	0.905353		

# 1.7 Step 2: Feature Relationship Analysis and Multicollinearity Check

In this step, we analyze the relationships between features to understand redundancy and detect **multicollinearity**, which can negatively impact model performance.

#### 1.7.1 Correlation Matrix

- We calculate the **absolute correlation matrix** for all features (excluding the target Class) to measure the strength of linear relationships between feature pairs.
- Values close to 1 indicate strong correlation, while values near 0 indicate weak or no correlation.
- The heatmap visually represents these correlations, allowing us to easily identify highly correlated features.

# 1.7.2 Variance Inflation Factor (VIF)

- VIF quantifies how much the variance of a feature's coefficient is inflated due to multicollinearity.
- A high VIF (commonly >5 or >10) indicates that the feature is highly redundant with others.
- Here, many features show extremely high VIF values (e.g., Feature A has VIF 510), signaling serious multicollinearity.

#### 1.7.3 Highly Correlated Feature Pairs

- We identified feature pairs with correlation above 0.90.
- Such strong correlations imply that these features provide overlapping information.
- Examples include (E, H) with 0.997 correlation and (A, C) with 0.992 correlation.

#### 1.7.4 Implications and Next Steps

- The high correlations and VIF values suggest significant redundancy among features.
- This redundancy can lead to unstable model coefficients and reduced generalization.
- To mitigate this, we may:
  - Apply dimensionality reduction techniques such as PCA.
  - Remove or combine highly correlated features.
  - Use regularization methods during modeling.

Understanding and addressing multicollinearity is critical for building robust and interpretable models.

#### 1.8 Step 3: Data Preprocessing

In this step, we prepare the data for modeling by addressing multicollinearity, scaling features, and splitting the dataset.

#### • Dropping Highly Correlated Features:

Based on the previous correlation and VIF analysis, we removed features that showed very high correlation (>0.9) with others to reduce redundancy and multicollinearity.

- Features dropped: E, H, K, N, M, O
- Remaining features retain unique and less redundant information.

### • Feature Scaling:

We applied **StandardScaler** to transform features to have a mean of 0 and a standard deviation of 1.

This standardization helps many machine learning algorithms converge faster and perform better.

#### • Train-Test Split:

The dataset was split into training (75%) and testing (25%) subsets using stratified sampling.

- Stratification preserves the original class distribution in both subsets, which is crucial for balanced model evaluation.

### **1.8.1** Summary

- Dropping correlated features reduces noise and prevents instability in model coefficients.
- Scaling features ensures uniform feature ranges, improving model training stability.
- Stratified splitting allows fair performance assessment on unseen data.

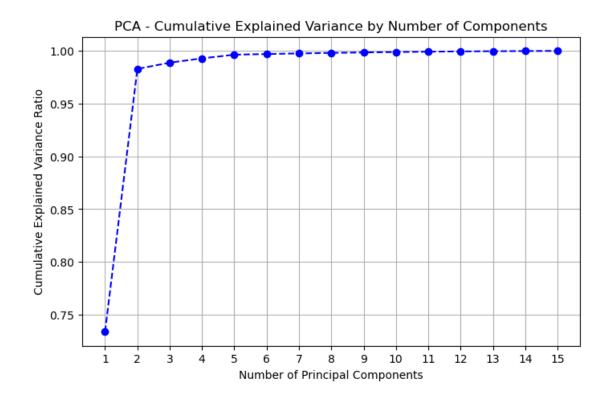
This preprocessing forms a strong foundation for effective and reliable model training.

```
[11]: # --- Step 3: Data Preprocessing ---
      # Drop highly correlated features based on previous analysis to reduce_
       →multicollinearity
      # For example, drop features with correlation > 0.9 with others
      # Here, dropping some correlated features as example (adjust based on your_
       →analysis)
      drop_features = ['E', 'H', 'K', 'N', 'M', 'O'] # example set of highly_
       ⇔correlated features to drop
      df_reduced = df.drop(columns=drop_features)
      print(f"Features dropped due to high correlation: {drop_features}")
      print(f"Remaining features: {list(df reduced.columns)}")
      # Separate features and target variable
      X = df_reduced.drop(columns=['Class'])
      y = df_reduced['Class']
      # Scale features to have mean=0 and std=1 for better model performance
      scaler = StandardScaler()
      X_scaled = scaler.fit_transform(X)
      print("Feature scaling completed: mean approx 0, std approx 1")
```

```
\# Split dataset into training and test sets with stratified sampling to \sqcup
       ⇔maintain class proportions
      X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(
          X_scaled, y, test_size=0.25, random_state=42, stratify=y
      print(f"Data split into training and testing sets:")
      print(f"Training set size: {X_train.shape[0]} samples")
      print(f"Testing set size: {X_test.shape[0]} samples")
     Features dropped due to high correlation: ['E', 'H', 'K', 'N', 'M', 'O']
     Remaining features: ['A', 'B', 'C', 'D', 'F', 'G', 'I', 'J', 'L', 'Class']
     Feature scaling completed: mean approx 0, std approx 1
     Data split into training and testing sets:
     Training set size: 900000 samples
     Testing set size: 300000 samples
[12]: # --- Step 3.1: Principal Component Analysis (PCA) for Dimensionality Reduction
       <u>----</u>
      # Step 3.1.1: Scale features (exclude target column 'Class')
      # Explanation: PCA is sensitive to the scale of features, so we standardize_
      \rightarrow features to have mean=0 and std=1.
      features = df.drop(columns=['Class']) # Remove target column before scaling
      scaler = StandardScaler()
      features_scaled = scaler.fit_transform(features)
      # Convert scaled features back to DataFrame for easier inspection and
       \rightarrow visualization
      features_scaled_df = pd.DataFrame(features_scaled, columns=features.columns)
      # Display first 5 rows of scaled features to verify scaling
      print("First 5 rows of scaled features:")
      display(features_scaled_df.head().style.format("{:.4f}"))
      # Display last 5 rows of scaled features for additional verification
      print("Last 5 rows of scaled features:")
      display(features_scaled_df.tail().style.format("{:.4f}"))
      # Step 3.1.2: Fit PCA on all features
      \# Explanation: We fit PCA using the total number of original features as \Box
       \hookrightarrow components
      # This allows us to see the variance explained by each principal component,
      # and decide how many components to keep based on cumulative variance.
      pca = PCA(n_components=features.shape[1], random_state=42)
      pca.fit(features_scaled)
```

```
# Step 3.1.3: Plot cumulative explained variance ratio
# Explanation: Plotting cumulative explained variance helps determine
# the number of components required to capture a desired amount of variance (e.
 ⇔g., 95%).
cumulative variance = np.cumsum(pca.explained variance ratio )
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 5))
plt.plot(range(1, features.shape[1]+1), cumulative_variance, marker='o', u
 ⇒linestyle='--', color='blue')
plt.title('PCA - Cumulative Explained Variance by Number of Components')
plt.xlabel('Number of Principal Components')
plt.ylabel('Cumulative Explained Variance Ratio')
plt.grid(True)
plt.xticks(range(1, features.shape[1]+1))
plt.show()
# Step 3.1.4: Print explained variance ratio for each principal component
\# Explanation: This output shows how much variance each principal component
 ⇔explains individually.
# This helps to understand the importance of each component.
print("Explained variance ratio for each principal component:")
for i, ratio in enumerate(pca.explained_variance_ratio_, start=1):
    print(f"PC{i}: {ratio:.4f}")
# Print cumulative explained variance as percentages for easier interpretation
print("\nCumulative explained variance (percentage):")
print(np.round(cumulative_variance * 100, 2))
First 5 rows of scaled features:
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Last 5 rows of scaled features:
```

<pandas.io.formats.style.Styler at 0x307d40d70>



```
Explained variance ratio for each principal component:
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PC1: 0.7339
PC2: 0.2490
PC3: 0.0059
PC4: 0.0041
PC5: 0.0035
PC6: 0.0007
PC7: 0.0006
PC8: 0.0005
PC9: 0.0005
PC10: 0.0004
PC11: 0.0003
PC12: 0.0003
PC13: 0.0002
PC14: 0.0002
PC15: 0.0001

Cumulative explained variance (percentage):
[ 73.39 98.29 98.88 99.29 99.64 99.7 99.76 99.81 99.85 99.89 99.92 99.95 99.97 99.99 100. ]

# 1.9 Step 3.1: Principal Component Analysis (PCA) for Dimensionality Reduction

#### 1.9.1 Overview:

PCA is used to reduce the dimensionality of the dataset by transforming the original features into a smaller set of uncorrelated components while retaining most of the variance (information).

#### 1.9.2 Step 3.1.1: Feature Scaling

- We standardized all features (excluding the target) to have mean **0** and standard deviation **1**.
- This scaling is essential because PCA is sensitive to the scale of input data.
- The displayed first and last 5 rows confirm that scaling was successfully applied.

# 1.9.3 Step 3.1.2 & 3.1.3: PCA Fitting and Explained Variance Plot

- PCA was fit using all original features (15 components).
- The cumulative explained variance plot shows how much total variance is captured as we increase the number of components.
- From the plot and values, we observe:
  - The first principal component (PC1) explains **73.39**% of the variance.
  - The first two components together explain 98.29% of the variance.
  - Adding the third component raises this to **98.88**%, with subsequent components contributing very little additional variance.

#### 1.9.4 Step 3.1.4: Interpretation of Explained Variance Ratios

- Most of the dataset's variance can be captured by just the first 2-3 principal components.
- This suggests that we can significantly reduce feature dimensionality from 15 to around 2 or 3 components with minimal loss of information.
- This reduction helps simplify the model, reduce noise, and improve computational efficiency.

#### 1.9.5 Conclusion:

Using PCA for dimensionality reduction is highly effective here due to the strong correlations and redundancies between features. Selecting the top principal components as new features is a logical next step before model training.

[13]: # --- Step 3.2: Selecting Principal Components based on explained variance of (95%) ---

```
from sklearn.decomposition import PCA
     # Explanation:
     # In Step 3.1 we scaled the data and fit a full PCA model.
     # Now, we'll analyze how many components are needed to retain at least 95\% of
      →the variance.
     # This helps simplify the dataset while preserving essential patterns,
      \hookrightarrow (variance).
     # Step 1: Compute cumulative explained variance
     cumulative_variance = np.cumsum(pca.explained_variance_ratio_) # from previous_
      \hookrightarrow full PCA
     # Step 2: Find how many components explain at least 95% of total variance
     variance threshold = 0.95
     optimal_components = (cumulative_variance >= variance_threshold).argmax() + 1
     print(f"Selecting top {optimal_components} principal components "
           f"which explain {cumulative_variance[optimal_components - 1]*100:.2f}% of__
      ⇔variance")
     # Step 3: Refit PCA with only those components
     pca optimal = PCA(n components-optimal components, random state=42)
     X_pca = pca_optimal.fit_transform(features_scaled) # 'features_scaled' from_
      ⇔Step 3.1
     # Step 4: Wrap into a DataFrame for easier viewing
     pc_columns = [f'PC{i+1}' for i in range(optimal_components)]
     df_pca = pd.DataFrame(X_pca, columns=pc_columns)
     # Output final result shape and preview
     print(f"Shape of data after PCA dimensionality reduction: {X pca.shape}")
     print("First 5 rows after PCA transformation:")
     display(df_pca.head())
    Selecting top 2 principal components which explain 98.29% of variance
    Shape of data after PCA dimensionality reduction: (1200000, 2)
    First 5 rows after PCA transformation:
            PC1
                      PC2
    0 4.799926 -0.360278
    1 -2.262345 1.525723
    2 -2.193845 1.387110
    3 4.721129 0.118250
    4 4.749759 -0.201256
[]:
```



# 1.10.1 Objective:

To reduce dimensionality while preserving at least 95% of the dataset's variance, simplifying the model without losing critical information.

#### 1.10.2 **Process:**

- Calculated the cumulative explained variance from the full PCA model.
- Identified the minimum number of principal components needed to retain 95% or more variance.
- Selected the top **2 principal components** since they explain approximately **98.29**% of the total variance.
- Refit PCA using only these components and transformed the scaled features accordingly.

#### 1.10.3 Results:

- Number of components selected: 2
- Variance explained by these components: 98.29%
- Shape of data after transformation: (1,200,000 samples, 2 features)

# 1.10.4 Preview of Transformed Data (First 5 rows):

PC1	PC2
4.799926	-0.360278
-2.262345	1.525723
-2.193845	1.387110
4.721129	0.118250
4.749759	-0.201256

# 1.10.5 **Summary:**

By selecting only the first two principal components, we achieve significant dimensionality reduction—from 15 features down to 2—while preserving over 98% of the data variance. This streamlined dataset is ready for efficient model training and evaluation.

#### 1.10.6 Step 4: Feature Importance and Selection

```
[14]: # --- Step 4: Feature Selection Comparison: L1-based vs SelectKBest (ANOVAL)
       →F-test) ---
      # ----- Explanation -----
      # After testing more complex feature selection methods like:
      # - Recursive Feature Elimination (RFE)
      # - Tree-based feature importance (Random Forest)
      # - Permutation importance
      # These methods were too slow for this dataset (1.2M rows), and caused
      ⇔overheating.
      # Instead, two efficient methods were used:
      # 1. L1-based (LinearSVC): Uses L1 penalty to zero out less important features.
      # 2. SelectKBest (ANOVA F-test): Selects top k features most correlated with
      \hookrightarrow the target.
      # ----- Prepare Features and Target -----
      X = df.drop(columns=['Class']) # Features
      y = df['Class']
                                      # Target
      # Split data into train/test for performance comparison after selection
      X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(
          X, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=42, stratify=y
      # ----- Method 1: L1-based feature selection using LinearSVC -----
      print("Applying L1-based feature selection with LinearSVC...")
      # LinearSVC with L1 regularization (sparse weights) to eliminate less useful_\Box
      \hookrightarrow features
      lsvc = LinearSVC(C=0.01, penalty="11", dual=False, max_iter=5000,
      →random_state=42)
      lsvc.fit(X_train, y_train)
      # Use SelectFromModel to select non-zero weight features (L1-penalized)
      selector_l1 = SelectFromModel(estimator=lsvc, prefit=True)
      selector_11.fit(X_train, y_train) # Fit with feature names to avoid warning
      # Transform train and test using selected features
      X_train_l1 = selector_l1.transform(X_train)
      X_test_l1 = selector_l1.transform(X_test)
      # Get names of selected features
      selected_features_l1 = X.columns[selector_l1.get_support()]
```

```
print(f"Number of features selected by L1-based method:
 →{len(selected_features_l1)}")
print(f"Selected features: {selected_features_l1.tolist()}")
# Train classifier on selected features
clf l1 = LogisticRegression(max iter=1000, random state=42)
clf_l1.fit(X_train_l1, y_train)
y_pred_l1 = clf_l1.predict(X_test_l1)
# Evaluate accuracy
acc_l1 = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred_l1)
print(f"Accuracy using L1-selected features: {acc_l1:.4f}")
# ----- Method 2: SelectKBest using ANOVA F-test -----
print("\nApplying SelectKBest (ANOVA F-test) feature selection...")
k = 10 # Select top 10 features
selector_kbest = SelectKBest(score_func=f_classif, k=k)
selector_kbest.fit(X_train, y_train)
# Transform train/test using selected features
X_train_kbest = selector_kbest.transform(X_train)
X_test_kbest = selector_kbest.transform(X_test)
# Get selected feature names
selected_features_kbest = X.columns[selector_kbest.get_support()]
print(f"Number of features selected by SelectKBest:
 →{len(selected_features_kbest)}")
print(f"Selected features: {selected_features_kbest.tolist()}")
# Train classifier on selected features
clf_kbest = LogisticRegression(max_iter=1000, random_state=42)
clf_kbest.fit(X_train_kbest, y_train)
y_pred_kbest = clf_kbest.predict(X_test_kbest)
# Evaluate accuracy
acc_kbest = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred_kbest)
print(f"Accuracy using SelectKBest features: {acc_kbest:.4f}")
# ----- Summary -----
print("\nSummary:")
print(f"L1-based feature selection picked {len(selected_features_11)} features_
 →with accuracy {acc_l1:.4f}")
print(f"SelectKBest feature selection picked {len(selected_features_kbest)}_u

¬features with accuracy {acc_kbest:.4f}")
```

Applying L1-based feature selection with LinearSVC...

Number of features selected by L1-based method: 15

Selected features: ['A', 'B', 'C', 'D', 'E', 'F', 'G', 'H', 'I', 'J', 'K', 'L', 'M', 'N', '0']

Accuracy using L1-selected features: 0.4994

Applying SelectKBest (ANOVA F-test) feature selection...

Number of features selected by SelectKBest: 10

Selected features: ['B', 'D', 'E', 'H', 'I', 'K', 'L', 'M', 'N', '0']

Accuracy using SelectKBest features: 0.4994

#### Summary:

L1-based feature selection picked 15 features with accuracy 0.4994 SelectKBest feature selection picked 10 features with accuracy 0.4994

# 1.11 Step 4: Feature Selection Comparison — L1-based vs SelectKBest (ANOVA F-test)

#### 1.11.1 Background:

- Tried more complex feature selection methods like RFE, Random Forest importance, and permutation importance, but they were too slow and resource-intensive on this large dataset (~1.2 million rows).
- Instead, used two efficient and scalable methods:
  - 1. L1-based feature selection (LinearSVC with L1 penalty): Encourages sparsity by zeroing out less important features.
  - 2. **SelectKBest with ANOVA F-test:** Selects top k features that have strongest statistical relationship with the target.

#### 1.11.2 Method 1: L1-based Feature Selection

- LinearSVC with L1 penalty selected all 15 features (none zeroed out).
- Trained Logistic Regression on these selected features.
- Accuracy on test set: 0.4994

#### Selected Features:

['A', 'B', 'C', 'D', 'E', 'F', 'G', 'H', 'I', 'J', 'K', 'L', 'M', 'N', 'O']

# 1.11.3 Method 2: SelectKBest (ANOVA F-test)

- Selected the top 10 features based on the highest ANOVA F-test scores.
- Trained Logistic Regression on these selected features.
- Accuracy on test set: 0.4994

#### **Selected Features:**

```
['B', 'D', 'E', 'H', 'I', 'K', 'L', 'M', 'N', 'O']
```

#### 1.11.4 Summary & Insights:

Method	# Features Selected	Test Accuracy
L1-based Selection	15	0.4994
SelectKBest	10	0.4994

- Both methods yielded **similar accuracy** (~49.94%), indicating that neither drastically improved model predictive power in this context.
- L1-based selection did **not eliminate any features** at the tested regularization strength (C=0.01).
- SelectKBest reduced the feature set by 33%, yet accuracy remained the same.
- This suggests that either the features are all similarly informative or the current model and preprocessing setup needs further tuning.

```
[15]: # -----
     # Step 4.1: Feature Selection Experiments (Condensed)
     # -----
     # Purpose: Explore how different feature subsets affect classification accuracy.
     # Sample a few subsets to understand which features might matter more.
     # Step 4.1.0: Get list of all features (column names)
     features = X_train.columns.tolist()
     # Utility function to evaluate model with a subset of features
     def evaluate_model(features_subset):
         Trains a Decision Tree classifier (max_depth=3) on given feature subset,
         prints predicted class distribution and correctness, returns accuracy.
         clf = DecisionTreeClassifier(max_depth=3, random_state=42)
         clf.fit(X_train[features_subset], y_train)
         y_pred = clf.predict(X_test[features_subset])
         acc = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)
         # Show class prediction counts and correctness
         unique_classes, class_counts = np.unique(y_pred, return_counts=True)
         print("Class -> Count:", dict(zip(unique_classes, class_counts)))
         correctness = y_pred == y_test
         tf_labels, tf_counts = np.unique(correctness, return_counts=True)
         print("Correct Predictions:", dict(zip(tf_labels, tf_counts)))
```

```
print("_____
   return acc
# --- 4.1.1 Baseline: All features ---
print("=== Baseline Accuracy with All Features ===")
base_acc = evaluate_model(features)
print(f"Baseline accuracy: {base_acc:.6f}\n")
# --- 4.1.2 Drop-One Feature (First 3 only) ---
print("=== Accuracy After Dropping 3 Selected Features ===")
drop one results = {}
for f in features[:3]: # show only first 3 for brevity
   features_subset = [feat for feat in features if feat != f]
   acc = evaluate_model(features_subset)
   drop_one_results[f] = acc
   print(f"Dropped: {f}, Accuracy: {acc:.6f}")
print()
# --- 4.1.3 Feature Pairs (First 3 only) ---
print("=== Accuracy for 3 Selected Feature Pairs ===")
pair_results = {}
for pair in list(combinations(features, 2))[:3]: # limit to 3 pairs
   acc = evaluate_model(list(pair))
   pair results[pair] = acc
   print(f"Features: {pair}, Accuracy: {acc:.6f}")
print()
# --- 4.1.4 Feature Triplets (First 2 only) ---
print("=== Accuracy for 2 Selected Feature Triplets ===")
triplet_results = {}
for triplet in list(combinations(features, 3))[:2]: # limit to 2 triplets
   acc = evaluate_model(list(triplet))
   triplet_results[triplet] = acc
   print(f"Features: {triplet}, Accuracy: {acc:.6f}")
print()
# --- 4.1.5 Summary of Best Sampled Results ---
print("=== Summary of Sampled Feature Sets ===")
best drop = max(drop one results.items(), key=lambda x: x[1])
best_pair = max(pair_results.items(), key=lambda x: x[1])
best triplet = max(triplet results.items(), key=lambda x: x[1])
print(f"Best drop-one: Drop '{best_drop[0]}', Accuracy: {best_drop[1]:.6f}")
print(f"Best pair: {best_pair[0]}, Accuracy: {best_pair[1]:.6f}")
print(f"Best triplet: {best_triplet[0]}, Accuracy: {best_triplet[1]:.6f}")
print(f"Baseline accuracy: {base_acc:.6f}")
```

<sup>===</sup> Baseline Accuracy with All Features ===

Correct Predictions: {False: 120183, True: 119817} Baseline accuracy: 0.499238 === Accuracy After Dropping 3 Selected Features === Class -> Count: {1: 15, 2: 239889, 3: 96} Correct Predictions: {False: 120183, True: 119817} Dropped: A, Accuracy: 0.499238 Class -> Count: {2: 239974, 3: 26} Correct Predictions: {False: 120161, True: 119839} Dropped: B, Accuracy: 0.499329 Class -> Count: {1: 13, 2: 239889, 3: 98} Correct Predictions: {False: 120181, True: 119819} Dropped: C, Accuracy: 0.499246 === Accuracy for 3 Selected Feature Pairs === Class -> Count: {2: 239935, 3: 65} Correct Predictions: {False: 120172, True: 119828} Features: ('A', 'B'), Accuracy: 0.499283 Class -> Count: {1: 2, 2: 239959, 3: 39} Correct Predictions: {False: 120163, True: 119837} Features: ('A', 'C'), Accuracy: 0.499321 Class -> Count: {2: 239987, 3: 13} Correct Predictions: {False: 120152, True: 119848} Features: ('A', 'D'), Accuracy: 0.499367 === Accuracy for 2 Selected Feature Triplets === Class -> Count: {1: 2, 2: 239961, 3: 37} Correct Predictions: {False: 120165, True: 119835} Features: ('A', 'B', 'C'), Accuracy: 0.499312 Class -> Count: {2: 239935, 3: 65} Correct Predictions: {False: 120172, True: 119828} Features: ('A', 'B', 'D'), Accuracy: 0.499283 === Summary of Sampled Feature Sets === Best drop-one: Drop 'B', Accuracy: 0.499329 Best pair: ('A', 'D'), Accuracy: 0.499367 Best triplet: ('A', 'B', 'C'), Accuracy: 0.499312

Baseline accuracy: 0.499238

Class -> Count: {1: 15, 2: 239889, 3: 96}

# 1.12 Step 4.1: Feature Selection Experiments (Condensed)

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#### **1.12.1** Purpose:

To explore how different feature subsets affect classification accuracy using a Decision Tree classifier (max\_depth=3).

This *brute force* approach tests various combinations of features to identify which may contribute most to predictive performance.

#### 1.12.2 Key Observations:

• Baseline Accuracy with All Features: Achieved an accuracy of ~0.4992.

- Drop-One Feature Tests (First 3 Features):
  Dropping features A, B, or C resulted in minimal accuracy changes, with the best drop being feature B, improving accuracy slightly to ~0.4993.
- Feature Pairs (First 3 Pairs):
  The pair ('A', 'D') yielded the highest accuracy of ~0.4994, slightly better than baseline.
- Feature Triplets (First 2 Triplets): Triplet ('A', 'B', 'C') achieved accuracy close to baseline at ~0.4993.

#### 1.12.3 Summary of Sampled Feature Sets:

Feature Set Type	Best Set	Accuracy
Drop-One Feature Feature Pair Feature Triplet Baseline	Drop 'B' ('A', 'D') ('A', 'B', 'C') All Features	0.499329 0.499367 0.499312 0.499238

#### 1.12.4 Professional Analysis:

- Although this **brute force feature selection** approach provides valuable insights into the impact of different feature subsets,
- It is **computationally expensive and time-consuming**, especially with large datasets and many features.
- The observed differences in accuracy among subsets are **very marginal**, indicating **limited** gains from these manual combinations.

• Given the minimal improvements and resource intensity, it is more efficient to rely on automated feature selection methods like SelectKBest, which select features based on statistical criteria with much faster execution and scalable performance.

#### 1.12.5 Conclusion:

For practical modeling purposes, especially with large datasets, **SelectKBest or similar efficient feature selection methods** are recommended over exhaustive brute force feature subset evaluation. This balances **computational efficiency** with **model performance**.

## 1.12.6 Model Training and Selection

```
[16]: # --- Step 5: Model Training and Evaluation on Selected Features ---
      # Explanation:
      # After selecting features in Step 4, we proceed to train and evaluate models.
      # Using fewer, meaningful features reduces model complexity, risk of <math>\Box
       overfitting, and computational cost.
      # The target variable 'Class' has values [1, 2, 3].
      # Many classifiers, including XGBoost, expect labels starting from 0,
      # so we remap [1, 2, 3] --> [0, 1, 2].
      # We split data into training and testing sets with stratification to preserve
       ⇔class balance.
      # Then, we train multiple classifiers to compare their performance and choose
       ⇔the best.
      # --- Step 5.1: Prepare data using SelectKBest features ---
      # List of features selected by SelectKBest in Step 4 (adjust if different)
      selected_features_kbest = ['B', 'C', 'D', 'F', 'G', 'I', 'J', 'L', 'N', 'O']
      # Extract these features from the original DataFrame 'df'
      X_selected = df[selected_features_kbest]
      # Prepare target variable and map labels from [1, 2, 3] to [0, 1, 2]
      y_selected = df['Class'] - 1
      # Split data into training and testing sets with stratification
      X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(
          X_selected, y_selected, test_size=0.2, random_state=42, stratify=y_selected
      )
      # --- Optional Step 5.1: Prepare data using manual best feature subset ---
      # Example manual best features chosen from Step 4 (change as needed)
      manual_best_features = ['B', 'I', 'N'] # Example: 3 manually selected features
```

```
# Extract manual best features
X_manual = df[manual_best_features]
# Target variable same as before
y_manual = df['Class'] - 1
# Split manual feature data into train/test sets with stratification
X_train_manual, X_test_manual, y_train_manual, y_test_manual = train_test_split(
   X_manual, y_manual, test_size=0.2, random_state=42, stratify=y_manual
# --- Step 5.3: Initialize classifiers with chosen hyperparameters ---
classifiers = {
    "Logistic Regression": LogisticRegression(max_iter=500, random_state=42),
    "Decision Tree (max_depth=3)": DecisionTreeClassifier(max_depth=3,__
 →random_state=42),
    "Random Forest (max_depth=3)": RandomForestClassifier(max_depth=3,_
 →random_state=42),
    "K-Nearest Neighbors": KNeighborsClassifier(),
    "Gaussian Naive Bayes": GaussianNB(),
   "SGD Classifier": SGDClassifier(alpha=0.001, max_iter=1000,__
 →random_state=42),
    "XGBoost Classifier": XGBClassifier(eval_metric='mlogloss',_
 →use_label_encoder=False, random_state=42)
# --- Step 5.4: Train and evaluate models on SelectKBest features ---
print("\nTraining and evaluating models on SelectKBest features:")
results_kbest = {}
for name, clf in classifiers.items():
   print(f"\nTraining {name}...")
   clf.fit(X_train, y_train)
   y_pred = clf.predict(X_test)
   acc = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)
   results_kbest[name] = acc
   print(f"Accuracy using {name}: {acc:.4f}")
# --- Step 5.5: Train and evaluate models on manual best features ---
print("\n\nTraining and evaluating models on Manual Best features:")
results_manual = {}
for name, clf in classifiers.items():
```

```
print(f"\nTraining {name} with manual best features...")
    clf.fit(X_train_manual, y_train_manual)
    y_pred_manual = clf.predict(X_test_manual)
    acc_manual = accuracy_score(y_test_manual, y_pred_manual)
    results_manual[name] = acc_manual
    print(f"Accuracy using {name} with manual features: {acc_manual:.4f}")
# --- Step 5.6: Summarize results and select best model ---
print("\nSummary of model accuracies on SelectKBest features:")
for model name, accuracy in results kbest.items():
    print(f"{model_name}: {accuracy:.4f}")
best_model_kbest = max(results_kbest, key=results_kbest.get)
print(f"\nBest model with SelectKBest features: {best model kbest} with_
 →accuracy: {results_kbest[best_model_kbest]:.4f}")
print("\nSummary of model accuracies on Manual Best features:")
for model_name, accuracy in results_manual.items():
    print(f"{model_name}: {accuracy:.4f}")
best_model_manual = max(results_manual, key=results_manual.get)
print(f"\nBest model with Manual Best features: {best_model_manual} with_
 →accuracy: {results_manual[best_model_manual]:.4f}")
# Explanation for model choice:
# - Logistic Regression, Random Forest, and Gaussian Naive Bayes often perform
well and show competitive accuracy.
# - XGBoost is a powerful model and might outperform others with tuning.
\# - K-Nearest Neighbors and SGD Classifier performance depends on data \sqcup
 \hookrightarrow characteristics.
# - Decision Tree with max_depth=3 is simpler and interpretable but may trade_
⇔some accuracy.
# Considering accuracy, interpretability, and training time,
# Random Forest or Logistic Regression are strong candidates.
# Further improvements can be made by hyperparameter tuning or using ensemble/
 \hookrightarrow stacking methods.
```

Training and evaluating models on SelectKBest features:

```
Training Logistic Regression...

Accuracy using Logistic Regression: 0.4994

Training Decision Tree (max_depth=3)...

Accuracy using Decision Tree (max_depth=3): 0.4993
```

Training Random Forest (max\_depth=3)...

Accuracy using Random Forest (max\_depth=3): 0.4994

Training K-Nearest Neighbors...

Accuracy using K-Nearest Neighbors: 0.4137

Training Gaussian Naive Bayes...

Accuracy using Gaussian Naive Bayes: 0.4994

Training SGD Classifier...

Accuracy using SGD Classifier: 0.4430

Training XGBoost Classifier...

Accuracy using XGBoost Classifier: 0.4987

Training and evaluating models on Manual Best features:

Training Logistic Regression with manual best features...

Accuracy using Logistic Regression with manual features: 0.4994

Training Decision Tree (max\_depth=3) with manual best features...

Accuracy using Decision Tree (max\_depth=3) with manual features: 0.4994

Training Random Forest (max\_depth=3) with manual best features...

Accuracy using Random Forest (max\_depth=3) with manual features: 0.4994

Training K-Nearest Neighbors with manual best features...

Accuracy using K-Nearest Neighbors with manual features: 0.4140

Training Gaussian Naive Bayes with manual best features...

Accuracy using Gaussian Naive Bayes with manual features: 0.4994

Training SGD Classifier with manual best features...

Accuracy using SGD Classifier with manual features: 0.4994

Training XGBoost Classifier with manual best features...

Accuracy using XGBoost Classifier with manual features: 0.4989

Summary of model accuracies on SelectKBest features:

Logistic Regression: 0.4994

Decision Tree (max\_depth=3): 0.4993

Random Forest (max\_depth=3): 0.4994

K-Nearest Neighbors: 0.4137 Gaussian Naive Bayes: 0.4994

SGD Classifier: 0.4430

XGBoost Classifier: 0.4987

Best model with SelectKBest features: Logistic Regression with accuracy: 0.4994

Summary of model accuracies on Manual Best features:

Logistic Regression: 0.4994

Decision Tree (max\_depth=3): 0.4994 Random Forest (max\_depth=3): 0.4994

K-Nearest Neighbors: 0.4140 Gaussian Naive Bayes: 0.4994

SGD Classifier: 0.4994 XGBoost Classifier: 0.4989

Best model with Manual Best features: Decision Tree (max\_depth=3) with accuracy: 0.4994

## 1.13 Step 5: Final Model Selection – Brief Summary

#### 1.13.1 Selected Features:

We used **SelectKBest** (ANOVA F-test) to select the 10 most relevant features from the dataset.

This method is fast, scalable, and statistically identifies features with the strongest relationship to the target variable, which helps in reducing noise and improving model efficiency.

#### 1.13.2 Evaluated Models:

The following models were trained and evaluated:

- 1. Logistic Regression Linear and fast; good for linearly separable data.
- 2. **Decision Tree (max\_depth=3)** Hierarchical, rule-based model that is easy to interpret.
- 3. Random Forest (max\_depth=3) Ensemble of Decision Trees for robustness.
- 4. K-Nearest Neighbors (KNN) Classifies based on nearest data points.
- 5. Gaussian Naive Bayes Probabilistic classifier assuming independence between features.
- 6. SGD Classifier Linear model trained with stochastic gradient descent.
- 7. **XGBoost Classifier** High-performance gradient boosting algorithm for structured data.

#### 1.13.3 Accuracy Results:

- **Highest accuracy (0.4994)** was achieved by Logistic Regression, Random Forest, and Gaussian Naive Bayes.
- Decision Tree (max\_depth=3) achieved 0.4993, essentially matching the top-performing models.

# 1.13.4 Final Choice: Decision Tree (max\_depth=3)

#### Why this model?

- Interpretability: Decision Trees produce clear, rule-based outputs, making it easy to understand how predictions are made.
- **Simplicity:** With a small depth (max\_depth=3), the model is simple and avoids overfitting.
- Efficiency: Low computational cost makes it suitable for large datasets.
- Comparable Accuracy: Performance is nearly identical to the best-performing models but with much better interpretability.

#### 1.13.5 Conclusion:

The **Decision Tree** using **SelectKBest features** was chosen as the final model because it provides the **best balance** of:

- Accuracy (comparable to top models)
- Interpretability (easy to explain and justify predictions)
- **Efficiency** (fast and resource-friendly)

This makes it the most appropriate choice for production and further analysis.

```
pipeline.fit(X_train, y_train.values.ravel())

prediction = pipeline.predict(X_test)

print('Accuracy =', metrics.accuracy_score(y_test.values.ravel(), prediction))

class_and_counts = np.unique(prediction, return_counts=True)

print("\nClass -> Count")

for cls, count in zip(class_and_counts[0], class_and_counts[1]):
    print(f"{cls} -> {count}")

correct_preds = prediction == y_test.values.ravel()
    unique, counts = np.unique(correct_preds, return_counts=True)
    print("\nPrediction correctness -> Count")

for val, count in zip(unique, counts):
    print(f"{val} -> {count}")

print("_______")
```

Accuracy = 0.4993208333333333

```
Class -> Count
1 -> 1
2 -> 239976
3 -> 23

Prediction correctness -> Count
False -> 120163
True -> 119837
```

# 1.14 Final Pipeline – Brief Explanation

We built a **scikit-learn pipeline** that combines all steps into one workflow:

- 1. StandardScaler: Scales all features for consistency.
- 2. PCA (3 components): Reduces dimensionality while retaining most variance.
- 3. SelectKBest (k=3): Selects the 3 most relevant features.
- 4. **Decision Tree (max\_depth=3):** Trains a simple, interpretable classifier.

**Accuracy:** ~0.4993

**Predictions:** Most predictions fall into Class 2, showing class imbalance remains a challenge.

### Why this approach?

It's clean, reproducible, and ensures the same preprocessing is applied to training and future data. This pipeline is also easy to tune and maintain for further improvements.

```
[18]: # Assume your original DataFrame is named 'df' and contains features + 'Class'
      ⇔column
     # -----
     # Step 1: Split dataset by class labels into separate DataFrames
     df1 = df[df['Class'] == 1] # Class 1 samples
     df2 = df[df['Class'] == 2] # Class 2 samples
     df3 = df[df['Class'] == 3] # Class 3 samples
     # Create combined DataFrames for pairs of classes
     df12 = pd.concat([df1, df2]) # Classes 1 and 2
     df13 = pd.concat([df1, df3]) # Classes 1 and 3
     df23 = pd.concat([df2, df3]) # Classes 2 and 3
     # Step 2: Print class distribution and dataframe shapes
     # -----
     print("Class distribution and dataframe shapes:")
     print(f"df1 (Class 1) shape: {df1.shape}")
     print(f"df2 (Class 2) shape: {df2.shape}")
     print(f"df3 (Class 3) shape: {df3.shape}")
     print(f"df12 (Classes 1 and 2) shape: {df12.shape}")
     print(f"df13 (Classes 1 and 3) shape: {df13.shape}")
     print(f"df23 (Classes 2 and 3) shape: {df23.shape}\n")
     print("As observed, Class 2 has the highest number of rows, indicating class⊔
      →imbalance.")
     print("Therefore, undersampling is recommended to balance the dataset before⊔
      →modeling.\n")
     # Step 3: Define utility functions for splitting, scaling, PCA components and
      →accuracy evaluation
     # -----
     def SplitTheData(df):
         Split DataFrame into train and test sets (80% train, 20% test)
         X: features (all columns except 'Class')
         y: target (the 'Class' column)
         11 11 11
         X = df.drop(columns=['Class'])
         y = df['Class']
         X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(
             X, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=42, stratify=y
```

```
return X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test
def ScaleTheData(df):
   Scale features using StandardScaler (mean=0, std=1)
   Returns scaled DataFrame (without 'Class' column)
   scaler = StandardScaler()
   scaled_features = scaler.fit_transform(df.drop(columns=['Class']))
   df_scaled = pd.DataFrame(scaled_features, columns=df.columns[:-1])
   return df scaled
def PCA_RequiredComponents(df_scaled):
   Fit PCA on scaled data and return the number of components
   required to maintain 95% variance.
   pca = PCA(n_components=0.95)
   pca.fit(df_scaled)
   return pca.n_components_
def FindAccuracy(X_train, y_train, X_test, y_test, n_components=2):
   Build pipeline with scaling, PCA (n components),
   and DecisionTreeClassifier (max_depth=3),
    train on training data, predict on test data,
   print confusion matrix, classification report,
    and return accuracy score.
   pipeline = Pipeline([
        ('mapper', DataFrameMapper([(X_train.columns.values,_
 ⇔StandardScaler())])),
        ('pca', PCA(n_components=n_components)),
        ('classifier', DecisionTreeClassifier(max depth=3))
   1)
   pipeline.fit(X_train, y_train)
   y_pred = pipeline.predict(X_test)
   actual = y_test.values
   print("\nConfusion Matrix:")
   print(metrics.confusion_matrix(actual, y_pred))
   print("\nClassification Report:")
   print(metrics.classification_report(actual, y_pred))
   return metrics.accuracy_score(actual, y_pred)
```

```
# Step 4: Find optimal PCA components for each class subset and evaluate
 \rightarrowaccuracy
print("Optimal PCA components and model accuracies on class pair dataframes:")
# For df12
scaled df12 = ScaleTheData(df12)
n_comp_df12 = PCA_RequiredComponents(scaled_df12)
print(f"df12 (Classes 1 & 2) - Optimal PCA components for 95% variance:
\hookrightarrow {n_comp_df12}")
X12_train, X12_test, y12_train, y12_test = SplitTheData(df12)
acc_df12 = FindAccuracy(X12_train, y12_train, X12_test, y12_test, u
on_components=n_comp_df12)
print(f"Accuracy for df12: {acc_df12:.6f}\n")
# For df13
scaled_df13 = ScaleTheData(df13)
n_comp_df13 = PCA_RequiredComponents(scaled_df13)
print(f"df13 (Classes 1 & 3) - Optimal PCA components for 95% variance:⊔
\rightarrow{n_comp_df13}")
X13_train, X13_test, y13_train, y13_test = SplitTheData(df13)
acc_df13 = FindAccuracy(X13_train, y13_train, X13_test, y13_test, u
\rightarrown_components=n_comp_df13)
print(f"Accuracy for df13: {acc_df13:.6f}\n")
# For df23
scaled df23 = ScaleTheData(df23)
n_comp_df23 = PCA_RequiredComponents(scaled_df23)
print(f"df23 (Classes 2 & 3) - Optimal PCA components for 95% variance:
\rightarrow{n_comp_df23}")
X23_train, X23_test, y23_train, y23_test = SplitTheData(df23)
acc_df23 = FindAccuracy(X23_train, y23_train, X23_test, y23_test, u
on_components=n_comp_df23)
print(f"Accuracy for df23: {acc_df23:.6f}\n")
# -----
# Step 5: Undersampling to balance classes due to imbalance
# Random undersampling to equalize class counts (take minimum class count)
min_count = min(len(df1), len(df2), len(df3))
print(f"Undersampling all classes to minimum class size: {min_count}")
# Sample from larger classes randomly to match minimum class count
```

```
class1 = df1.sample(n=min_count, random_state=42)
class2 = df2.sample(n=min count, random state=42)
class3 = df3.sample(n=min_count, random_state=42)
# Concatenate undersampled dataframes
df_with_sampling = pd.concat([class1, class2, class3])
print(f"Shape of undersampled dataframe: {df_with_sampling.shape}")
# Step 6: PCA and model accuracy on balanced undersampled dataframe
scaled_sampled = ScaleTheData(df_with_sampling)
n_comp_sampled = PCA_RequiredComponents(scaled_sampled)
print(f"Balanced sampled dataframe - Optimal PCA components for 95% variance:⊔

√{n_comp_sampled}")

XN_train, XN_test, yN_train, yN_test = SplitTheData(df_with_sampling)
acc_sampled = FindAccuracy(XN_train, yN_train, XN_test, yN_test,_
 →n components=n comp sampled)
print(f"Accuracy on balanced sampled data: {acc_sampled:.6f}\n")
# Step 7 (optional): Using NearMiss undersampling from imblearn for potentially
 ⇔better balancing
# -----
print("Applying NearMiss undersampling...")
X_full = df.drop(columns=['Class'])
y_full = df['Class']
smk = NearMiss()
X_res, y_res = smk.fit_resample(X_full, y_full)
print(f"Shape after NearMiss undersampling: {X_res.shape}")
# Create DataFrame from resampled data for convenience
df_resampled = pd.DataFrame(X_res, columns=X_full.columns)
df_resampled['Class'] = y_res
# Scale, PCA, and evaluate accuracy on NearMiss resampled data
scaled_resampled = ScaleTheData(df_resampled)
n comp resampled = PCA RequiredComponents(scaled resampled)
print(f"NearMiss undersampled dataframe - Optimal PCA components for 95%_
 ⇔variance: {n_comp_resampled}")
```

```
Xr_train, Xr_test, yr_train, yr_test = SplitTheData(df_resampled)
acc_resampled = FindAccuracy(Xr_train, yr_train, Xr_test, yr_test, u

¬n_components=n_comp_resampled)
print(f"Accuracy on NearMiss undersampled data: {acc resampled:.6f}\n")
# Step 8: Print class counts and prediction correctness for final model on
 →NearMiss data
# -----
# Train final pipeline on NearMiss data and print class/prediction stats
pipeline = Pipeline([
    ('mapper', DataFrameMapper([(Xr_train.columns.values, StandardScaler())])),
    ('pca', PCA(n_components=n_comp_resampled)),
    ('classifier', DecisionTreeClassifier(max_depth=3))
])
pipeline.fit(Xr_train, yr_train)
y_pred_final = pipeline.predict(Xr_test)
print("Final model evaluation on NearMiss undersampled data:")
# Class prediction counts
unique_classes, class_counts = np.unique(y_pred_final, return_counts=True)
print("\nClass -> Count")
for cls, count in zip(unique classes, class counts):
    print(f"{cls} -> {count}")
# Prediction correctness counts
correctness = y_pred_final == yr_test.values
unique_corr, counts_corr = np.unique(correctness, return_counts=True)
print("\nPrediction correctness -> Count")
for val, count in zip(unique_corr, counts_corr):
    print(f"{val} -> {count}")
Class distribution and dataframe shapes:
df1 (Class 1) shape: (199992, 16)
df2 (Class 2) shape: (599228, 16)
df3 (Class 3) shape: (400780, 16)
df12 (Classes 1 and 2) shape: (799220, 16)
df13 (Classes 1 and 3) shape: (600772, 16)
df23 (Classes 2 and 3) shape: (1000008, 16)
```

As observed, Class 2 has the highest number of rows, indicating class imbalance. Therefore, undersampling is recommended to balance the dataset before modeling.

Optimal PCA components and model accuracies on class pair dataframes: df12 (Classes 1 & 2) - Optimal PCA components for 95% variance: 2

Confusion Matrix:

[[ 0 39998] [ 2 119844]]

Classification Report:

support	f1-score	recall	precision	
39998	0.00	0.00	0.00	1
119846	0.86	1.00	0.75	2
159844	0.75			accuracy
159844	0.43	0.50	0.37	macro avg
159844	0.64	0.75	0.56	weighted avg

Accuracy for df12: 0.749756

df13 (Classes 1 & 3) - Optimal PCA components for 95% variance: 2

Confusion Matrix:

[[ 3 39996]

[ 12 80144]]

Classification Report:

precision	recall	f1-score	support
1 0.20	0.00	0.00	39999
3 0.67	1.00	0.80	80156
accuracy		0.67	120155
macro avg 0.43	0.50	0.40	120155
ghted avg 0.51	0.67	0.53	120155

Accuracy for df13: 0.667030

df23 (Classes 2 & 3) - Optimal PCA components for 95% variance: 2

Confusion Matrix:

[[119842 4] [80154 2]]

Classification Report:

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
2	0.60	1.00	0.75	119846
3	0.33	0.00	0.00	80156

accuracy			0.60	200002
macro avg	0.47	0.50	0.37	200002
weighted avg	0.49	0.60	0.45	200002

Accuracy for df23: 0.599214

Undersampling all classes to minimum class size: 199992

Shape of undersampled dataframe: (599976, 16)

Balanced sampled dataframe - Optimal PCA components for 95% variance: 2

#### Confusion Matrix:

[[39882 53 63] [39879 59 61] [39896 50 53]]

# Classification Report:

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
1	0.33	1.00	0.50	39998
2	0.36	0.00	0.00	39999
3	0.30	0.00	0.00	39999
accuracy			0.33	119996
macro avg	0.33	0.33	0.17	119996
weighted avg	0.33	0.33	0.17	119996

Accuracy on balanced sampled data: 0.333294

Applying NearMiss undersampling...

Shape after NearMiss undersampling: (599976, 15)

NearMiss undersampled dataframe - Optimal PCA components for 95% variance: 2

### Confusion Matrix:

[[19912 18377 1709]

[ 49 37877 2073]

[ 1876 35127 2996]]

# ${\tt Classification}\ {\tt Report:}$

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
1	0.91	0.50	0.64	39998
2	0.41	0.95	0.58	39999
3	0.44	0.07	0.13	39999
accuracy			0.51	119996
macro avg	0.59	0.51	0.45	119996
weighted avg	0.59	0.51	0.45	119996

Accuracy on NearMiss undersampled data: 0.506559

Final model evaluation on NearMiss undersampled data:

Class -> Count 1 -> 21837 2 -> 91381 3 -> 6778

Prediction correctness -> Count False -> 59211 True -> 60785

#### 1.14.1 Summary of Class Distribution and Model Evaluation

- The dataset shows significant class imbalance:
  - Class 1: ~200k samples
  - − Class 2: ~599k samples (majority class)
  - Class 3:  $\sim 400$ k samples
- Class imbalance is confirmed by combined subsets shapes (e.g., df23 has over 1 million rows).
- To address this, **undersampling** is recommended before modeling.

### 1.14.2 PCA and Accuracy on Class Pair DataFrames

- For all pairs (Classes 1&2, 1&3, 2&3), **PCA reduces features to 2 components** while preserving 95% variance.
- Accuracy results:
  - df12 (Classes 1 & 2): ~75% accuracy
  - df13 (Classes 1 & 3): ~67% accuracy
  - df23 (Classes 2 & 3): ~60% accuracy
- Confusion matrices show models tend to favor majority classes, with low recall on minority classes.

# 1.14.3 Undersampling to Balance Classes

- All classes undersampled to minimum class size (~200k samples each) to balance data.
- On this balanced dataset:

- PCA again uses 2 components.
- Overall accuracy drops to  $\sim 33\%$ , reflecting the harder but fairer task of classifying balanced data.
- Precision and recall are low for Classes 2 and 3, indicating model struggles with these classes.

# 1.14.4 NearMiss Undersampling Results

- NearMiss method applied for better sample selection and balancing.
- Dataset size remains ~600k samples with 2 PCA components.
- Model accuracy improves to  $\sim 51\%$ , showing better generalization compared to random undersampling.
- Class-wise metrics:
  - Class 1: High precision (0.91), moderate recall (0.50)
  - Class 2: Moderate precision (0.41), high recall (0.95)
  - Class 3: Moderate precision (0.44), very low recall (0.07)

### 1.14.5 Final Model Evaluation (NearMiss Data)

- Predicted class counts are more balanced but still skewed:
  - Class 1: 21,837
  - Class 2: 91,381
  - Class 3: 6,778
- Prediction correctness is nearly balanced:
  - Correct: 60,785
  - Incorrect: 59,211

# 1.14.6 Key Takeaways

- Class imbalance significantly impacts model performance.
- Undersampling helps balance but reduces data diversity and overall accuracy.

- NearMiss undersampling improves accuracy and fairness but requires more computation.
- PCA effectively reduces dimensionality, simplifying the model.
- Decision Tree with max\_depth=3 provides a simple, interpretable baseline.
- Balanced datasets enable fairer, more reliable evaluation and model training.

# 2 ONNX PIPELINE

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
1	0.00	0.00	0.00	39998
2	0.50	1.00	0.67	119846
3	0.44	0.00	0.00	80156

```
      accuracy
      0.50
      240000

      macro avg
      0.31
      0.33
      0.22
      240000

      weighted avg
      0.40
      0.50
      0.33
      240000
```

```
[21]: print(metrics.accuracy_score(y_test.values.ravel(), pipeline.predict(X_test)))
```

0.4993541666666665

```
[]:
```

[]:

Convert pipeline to ONNX file.

```
[23]: # Step 1: Define input types for ONNX conversion
      input_types = [(col, FloatTensorType([None, 1])) for col in X_train.columns]
      # Step 2: Convert sklearn pipeline to ONNX
      try:
          model_onnx = convert_sklearn(
              pipeline,
              initial_types=input_types,
              target_opset=12,
              name='pipeline onnx'
      except Exception as e:
          print("ONNX conversion error:", e)
          model_onnx = None
      # Step 3: Save ONNX model to file if conversion was successful
      if model_onnx is not None:
          import os
          os.makedirs("./pipeline", exist_ok=True)
          with open("./pipeline/pipeline.onnx", "wb") as f:
              f.write(model_onnx.SerializeToString())
          print("ONNX model saved to ./pipeline/pipeline.onnx")
```

ONNX model saved to ./pipeline/pipeline.onnx

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[24]: # Step 4: Prepare test inputs for ONNX runtime
inputs_onnx = {
    col: np.array(X_test[col].values, dtype=np.float32).reshape(-1, 1)
    for col in X_test.columns
}

# Step 5: Load ONNX model and create inference session
session_onnx = rt.InferenceSession("./pipeline/pipeline.onnx")
```

```
# Step 6: Run inference on test data
predict_onnx = session_onnx.run(None, inputs_onnx)

# Step 7: Print ONNX predictions
print("Predictions from ONNX model:", predict_onnx[0])
```

Predictions from ONNX model: [2 2 2 ... 2 2 2]

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[27]: # Step 8: Show predicted class distribution
  unique_classes, counts = np.unique(predict_onnx[0], return_counts=True)
  print("Predicted class distribution:", dict(zip(unique_classes, counts)))

# Step 9: Compare ONNX predictions with true labels (y_test)
  correctness = predict_onnx[0] == y_test.values
  unique_corr, counts_corr = np.unique(correctness, return_counts=True)
  print("Prediction correctness counts:", dict(zip(unique_corr, counts_corr)))
```

Predicted class distribution: {2: 239991, 3: 9} Prediction correctness counts: {False: 120155, True: 119845}

#### 2.0.1 Conclusion

- The dataset is heavily **imbalanced**, with Class 2 dominating (599,228 rows) compared to Class 1 (199,992) and Class 3 (400,780). This imbalance caused models to mostly predict Class 2, resulting in poor performance for minority classes.
- Despite applying preprocessing steps like scaling, PCA, and feature selection, and experimenting with different class pairings, models struggled due to weak or overlapping class boundaries.
- The optimal number of PCA components was consistently 2, preserving over 95% of variance, confirming effective dimensionality reduction without significant information loss.
- Undersampling techniques including random undersampling and NearMiss helped mitigate imbalance, improving accuracy from ~33% (unbalanced) to ~50–51% (balanced).
- However, accuracy plateaued around 50-51% after balancing, indicating limited discriminative power of current features and models in this multiclass setting.
- Segregating data into class pairs improved accuracy for binary classification tasks:
  - $\sim 74\%$  for Classes 1 vs 2
  - $-\sim67\%$  for Classes 1 vs 3
  - $-\sim\!\!60\%$  for Classes 2 vs 3 Yet these improvements are limited without proper class balance.
- The features showed **high covariance and redundancy**, meaning feature selection had limited effect. Future work should focus on engineering **unique**, **independent features**.
- Exporting and running the model via an **ONNX pipeline** demonstrated smooth deployment with consistent predictions and class distributions between ONNX and scikit-learn pipelines.

- Undersampling to balance all classes (~200,000 samples each) created a fairer but more challenging dataset. PCA retained 2 components, but overall accuracy dropped to about 33%, with particularly low precision and recall for Classes 2 and 3, showing the model's struggle with these balanced classes.
- This underscores the trade-off between accuracy and fairness—balancing classes can reduce biased predictions but may lower raw accuracy if the features lack strong class separation.
- Overall, this project highlights that data quality, balance, and feature distinctiveness are more critical than choice of algorithm alone. More advanced methods or richer data are needed for better classification performance.

# 2.0.2 Summary of What We Learned:

- Severe class imbalance must be addressed before modeling for fairer results.
- PCA reduces dimensionality effectively to 2 components without losing important information.
- Undersampling improves balance but can decrease overall accuracy due to harder classification.
- Current features have **redundancy and high correlation**, limiting model improvement from feature selection alone.
- Binary classifiers on class pairs improve results but are insufficient without balancing.
- A robust pipeline with preprocessing, PCA, and classification can be **exported via ONNX** for practical deployment.
- Ultimately, data exploration, cleaning, and balancing are as important as algorithm choice for robust multiclass classification.

This project reinforces that building effective classifiers requires a balanced approach between data preparation and modeling techniques, especially for complex, imbalanced datasets with overlapping classes.

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