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**Software Defect Prediction for Imbalanced Class with Applying Feed Forward  
Neural Network and Other Techniques**

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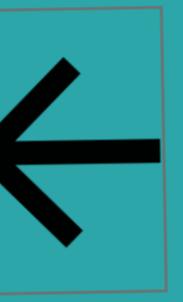
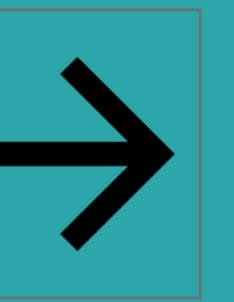
# Agenda

- Defect prediction overview
- Problem description and Literature Survey
- Imbalanced dataset challenges
  - Methodology
  - Explainable AI using LIME



# Defects overview

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Text
Sampler result Request Response data
Thread Name:Thread Group 1-1
Sample Start:2020-12-02 17:06:19 EST
Load time:22
Connect Time:9
Latency:18
Size in bytes:1219
Sent bytes:127
Headers size in bytes:137
Body size in bytes:1082
Sample Count:1
Error Count:1
Data type ("text"|"bin"|""):text
Response code:404
Response message:
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<terminated> GoogleTest (2) [Java Application] C:\Program Files\Java\jre1.8.0_241\bin\javaw.exe (Dec. 2, 2020, 4:3
    at java.util.stream.FindOps$FindOp.evaluateSequential(Unknown Source)
    at java.util.stream.AbstractPipeline.evaluate(Unknown Source)
    at java.util.stream.ReferencePipeline.findFirst(Unknown Source)
    at org.openqa.selenium.remote.ProtocolHandshake.createSession(ProtocolHandshake.
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    at org.openqa.selenium.remote.HttpCommandExecutor.execute(HttpCommandExecutor.ja
    at org.openqa.selenium.remote.service.DriverCommandExecutor.execute(DriverComman
    at org.openqa.selenium.remote.RemoteWebDriver.execute(RemoteWebDriver.java:552)
    at org.openqa.selenium.remote.RemoteWebDriver.startSession(RemoteWebDriver.java:
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    at org.openqa.selenium.chrome.ChromeDriver.<init>(ChromeDriver.java:181)
    at org.openqa.selenium.chrome.ChromeDriver.<init>(ChromeDriver.java:168)
    at org.openqa.selenium.chrome.ChromeDriver.<init>(ChromeDriver.java:123)
    at com.google.GoogleTest.main(GoogleTest.java:17)
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Decrease in



Customer satisfaction  
Market share, test coverage



Increase in

Operating cost  
Delay in schedule

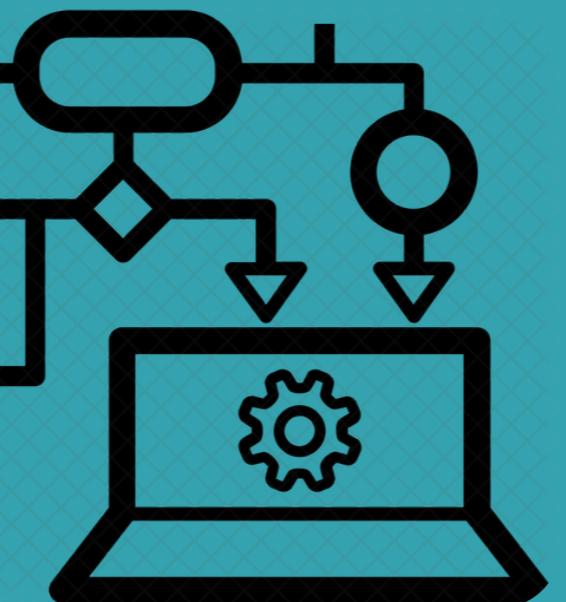


# What is defect prediction?

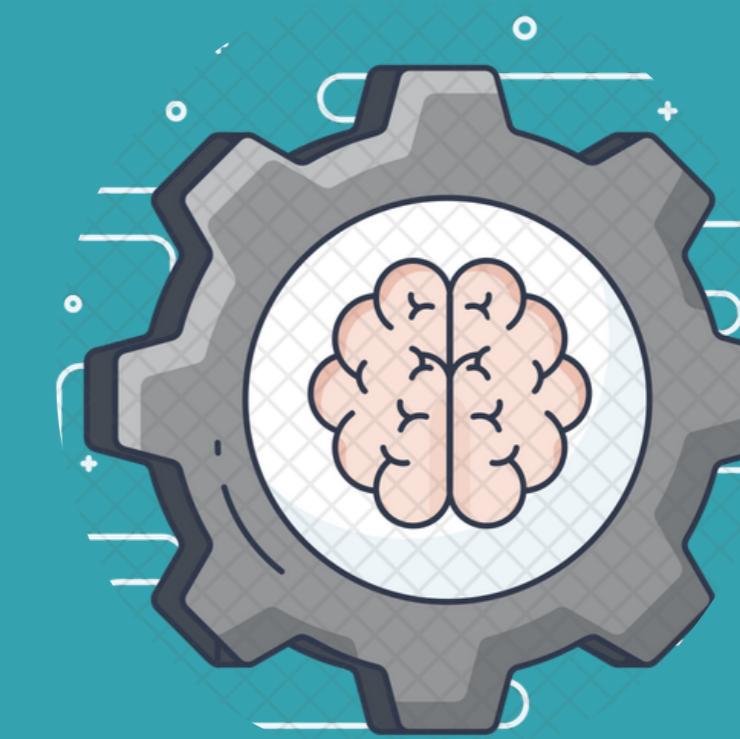
List of software modules, and past performance statistics

Source code measures (past history)					
Module No	Feature1 (LOC)	Feature2 (Difficulty)	...	FeatureN (Cyclocomatic complexity)	Defect?
1	100	200		40	Yes
2	500	4		30	Yes
..	..	..	..	..	No
M	5	3		5	No

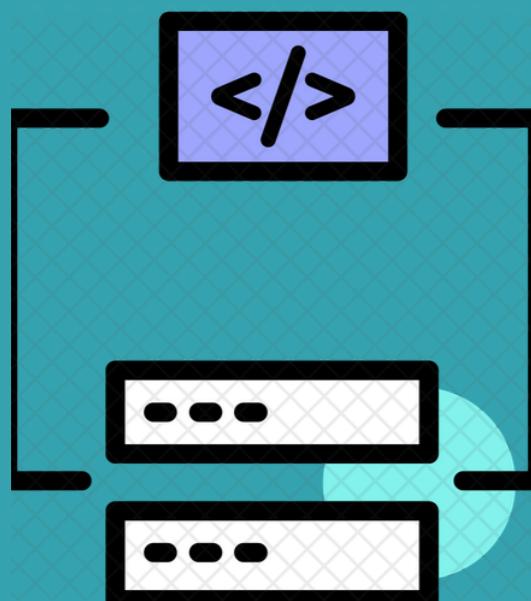
Machine learning algorithm



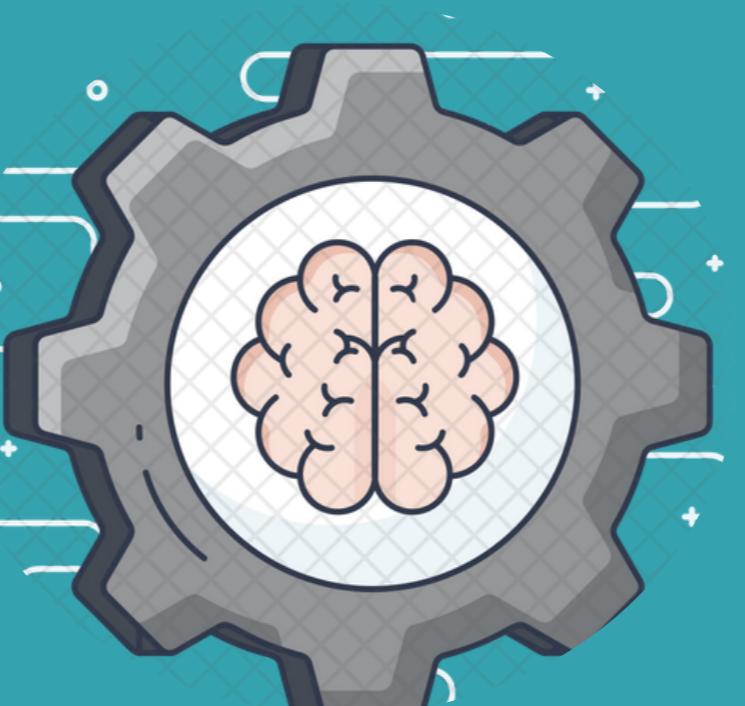
Defect Prediction model



New software modules



Defect Prediction model



Prediction of faulty or non-faulty module





# Use cases and challenges of defect prediction

## Use Cases

- Software test planning
- Automated testing need identification
- Continuous testing
- Software reliability assessment
- Software maintenance

## Challenges

- Imbalanced datasets
- Limited documentation
- Lacking explanation of algorithm
- Applying generic model
- Availability of publicly available datasets



# Literature Review

Paper	Techniques Applied
1. Aleem et al.	Weka tool Binning data Missing values filled by means of attributes Comparative performance analysis.
2. Shepperd et. al.	Focused on data cleaning strategy due to having noisy data.
3. T Menzies et. al.	Defect prediction analysis based on identifying probability of failure and probability of false alarms.



# Dataset description

**NASA Metrics Data Program defect data sets**  
**<http://promise.site.uottawa.ca/SERepository>**

File	No. of observations	No. of features	Prog. Language	Defect ratio
cm1	498	22	C	9.80%
kc2	522	22	C++	28%
pc1	1109	22	C	7.30%
kc1	2109	22	C++	26%
jm1	10885	22	C	19.30%

Figure 1: Dataset description



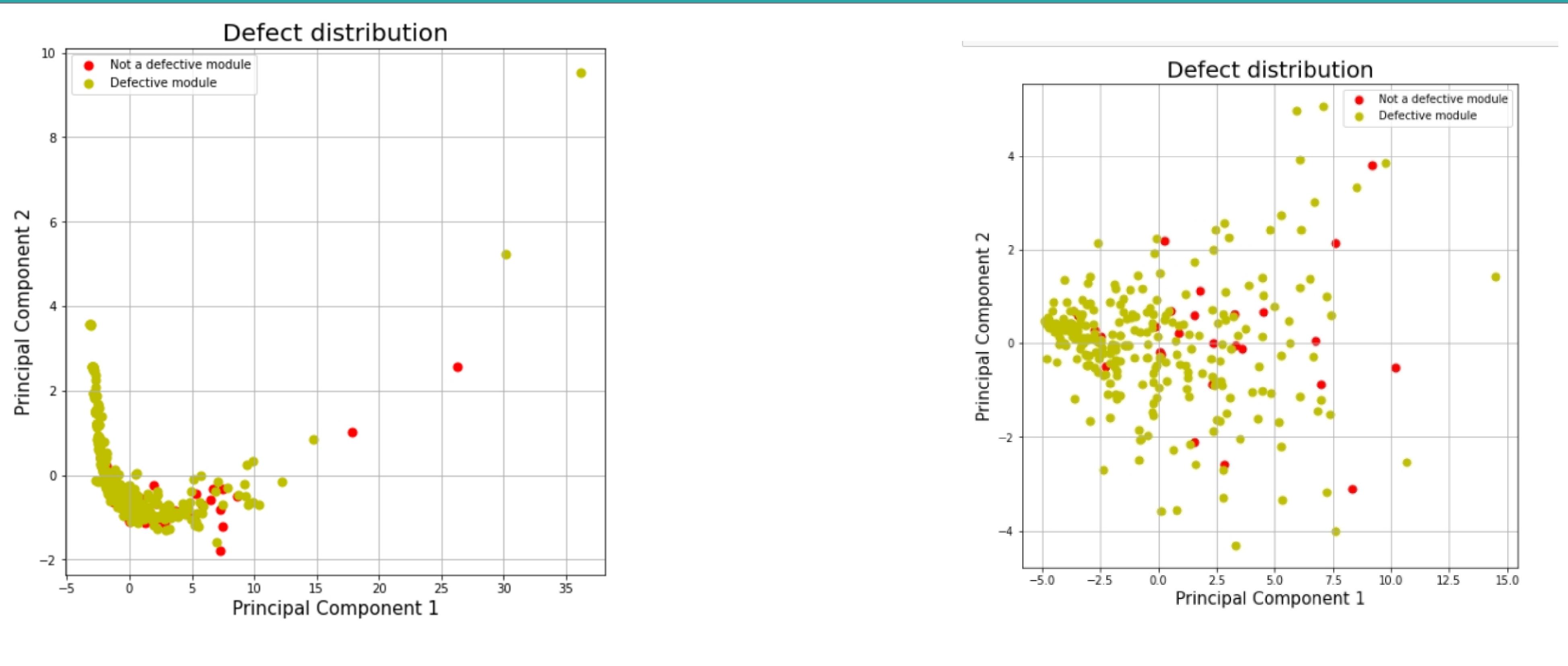
# Dataset description

Feature Sequence	Feature name	Description	Type
0	loc	McCabe's line count of code	float64
1	v(g)	McCabe's cyclomatic complexity	float65
2	ev(g)	McCabe's essential complexity	float66
3	iv(g)	McCabe's design complexity	float67
4	n	Halstead total operators + operands	float68
5	v	Halstead volume	float69
6	l	Halstead program length	float70
7	d	Halstead program difficulty	float71
8	i	Halstead intelligence	float72
9	e	Halstead effort	float73
10	b	Number of delivered bugs (from Halstead metrics)	float74
11	t	Halstead's time estimator	float75
12	loCode	Halstead's line count	float76
13	loComment	Halstead's count of lines of comments	float77
14	loBlank	Halstead's count of blank lines	float78
15	locCodeAndComment	Line of code and comment	float79
16	uniq_Op	Unique operators	float80
17	uniq_Opnd	Unique operands	float81
18	total_Op	Total operators	float82
19	total_Opnd	Total operands	float83
20	branchCount	Total branches in program	float84
21	defects	{False, true}: module has no/has reported defects	Category

Figure 2: Description of the dataset attributes

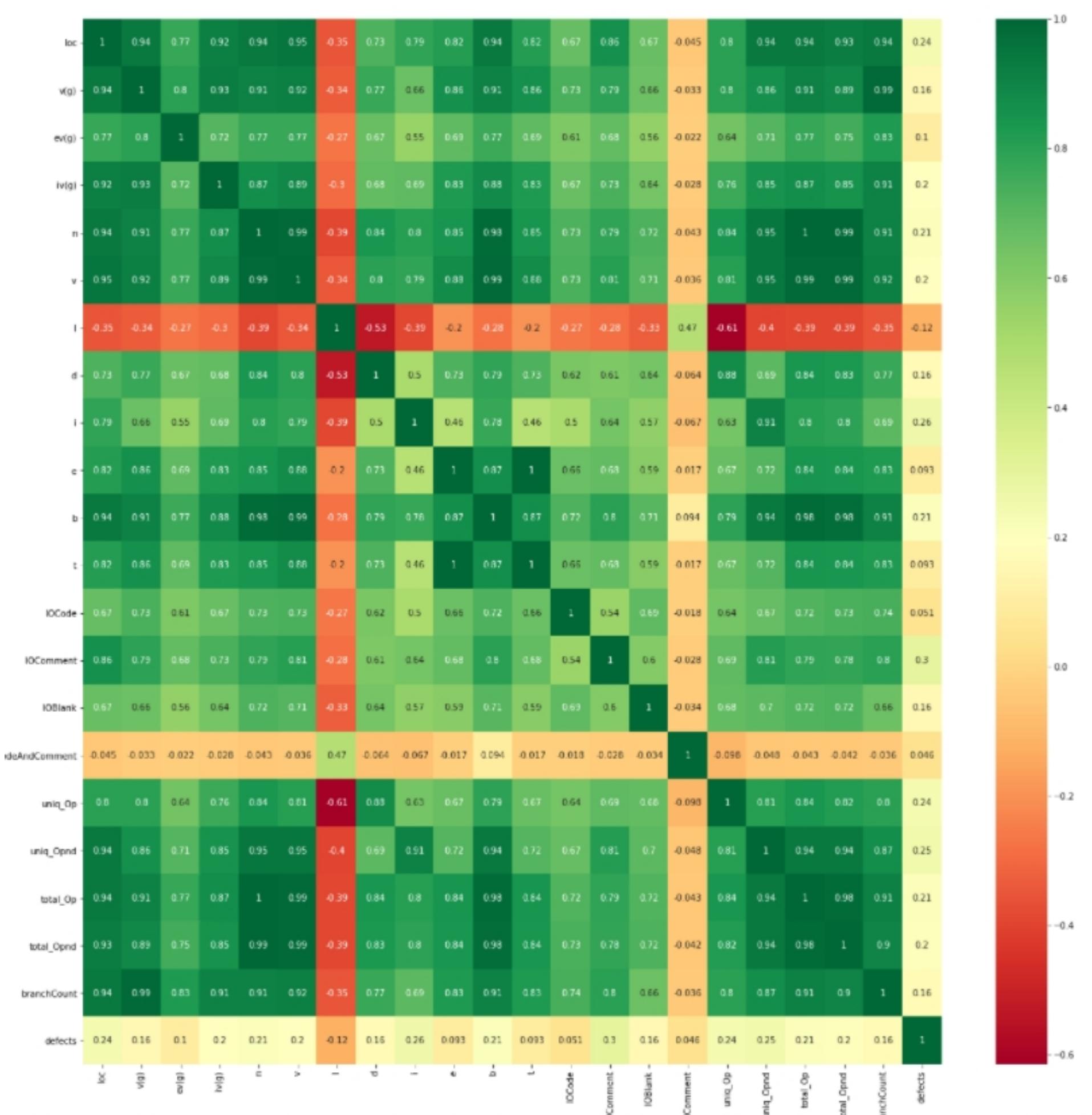


# Feature Engineering





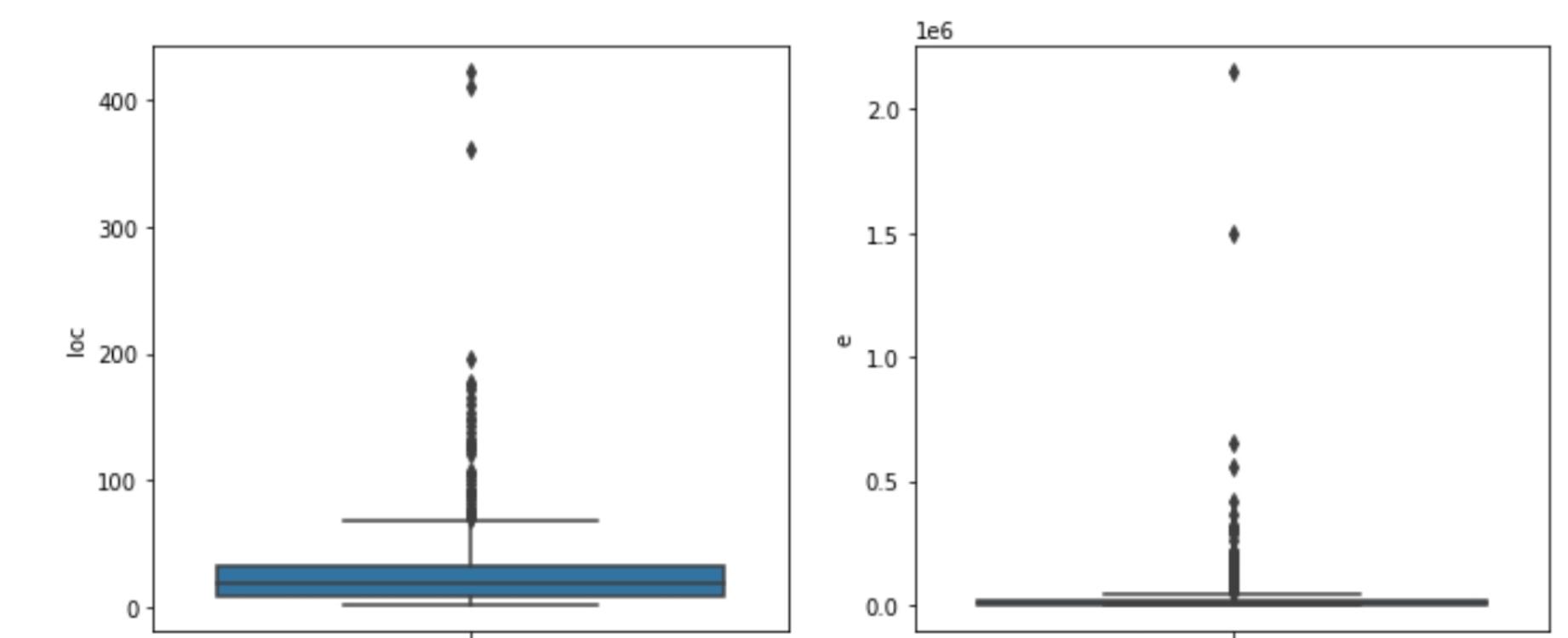
# Feature Engineering





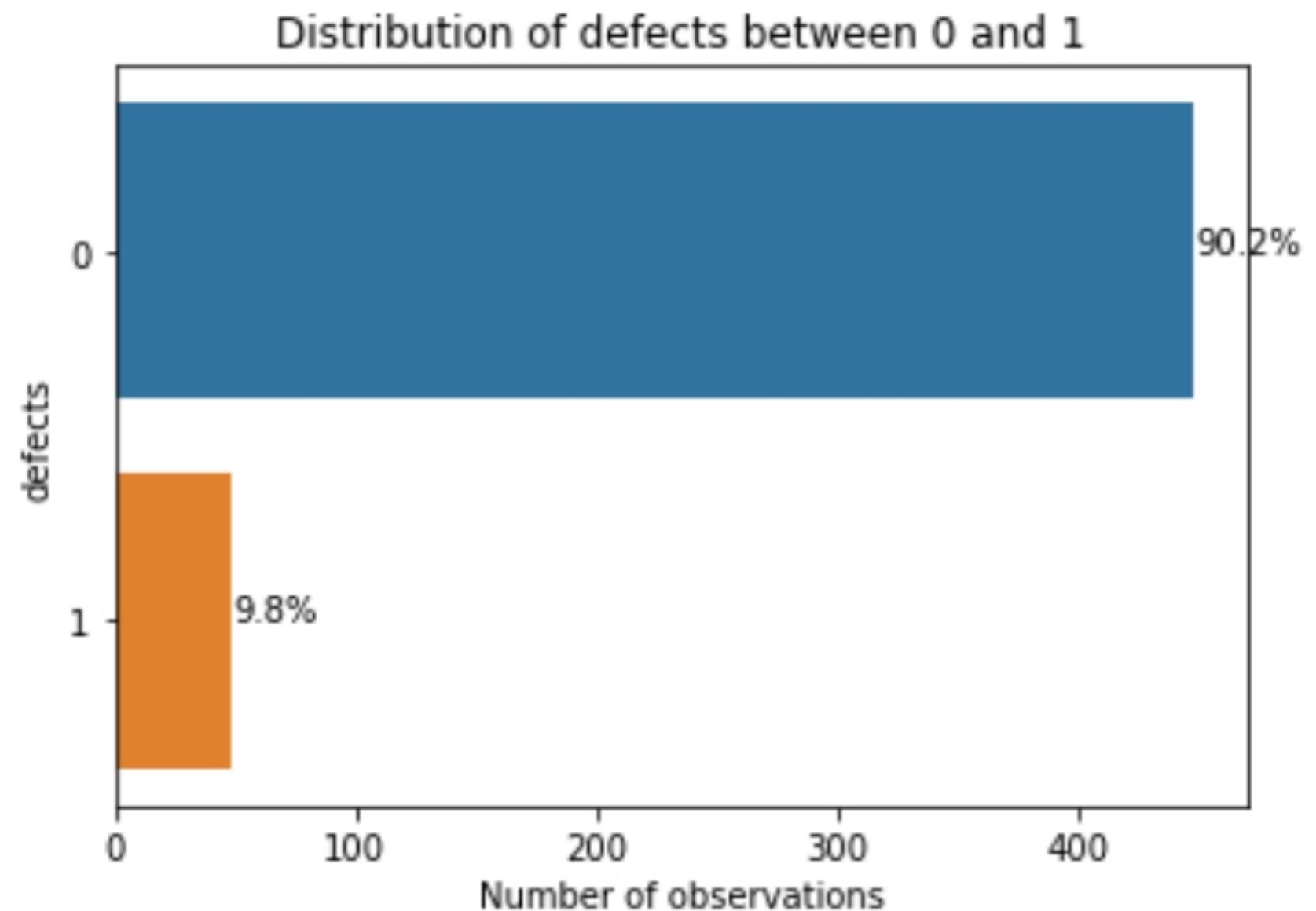
# Feature Engineering

Criterion	Data Quality Category	Explanation
1	Cases with missing values	Instances that contain one or more missing observations were removed
2	Cases with conflicting features values	Instances that have 2 or more metric values that violate some referential integrity constraint were removed. The conditions are: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) Total line of code (LOC) is less than Commented LOC since commented LOC should be a subset of LOC.</li><li>2) N is not equal to total number of operators and operands.</li><li>3) The program cyclomatic complexity is greater than total operators plus 1 since this situation is not possible.</li></ol>
3	Outlier removals	Outliers rely on any value that lies within the range of $Q1 - 1.5 * IQR$ or outside the range of $(Q3 + 1.5 * IQR)$ where Q1 and Q3 corresponds to first and 3rd quartile.
4	Removal of duplicates	The duplicated values were removed.





# Class Imbalance and SMOTE



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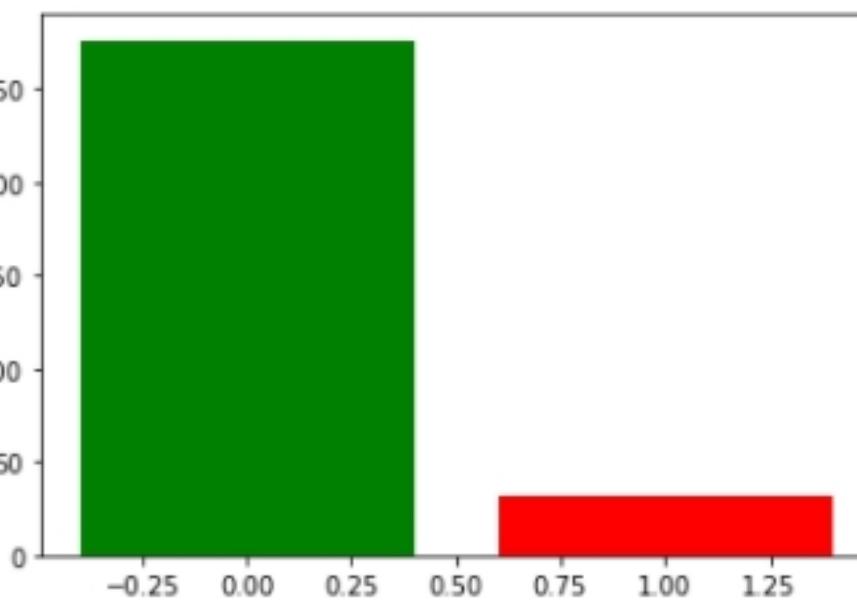
**SMOTE - Synthetic minority oversampling technique [Chawla et. al]**

**Combination of**  
**.Oversampling of minority class**  
**. Random underdamping of the majority class**

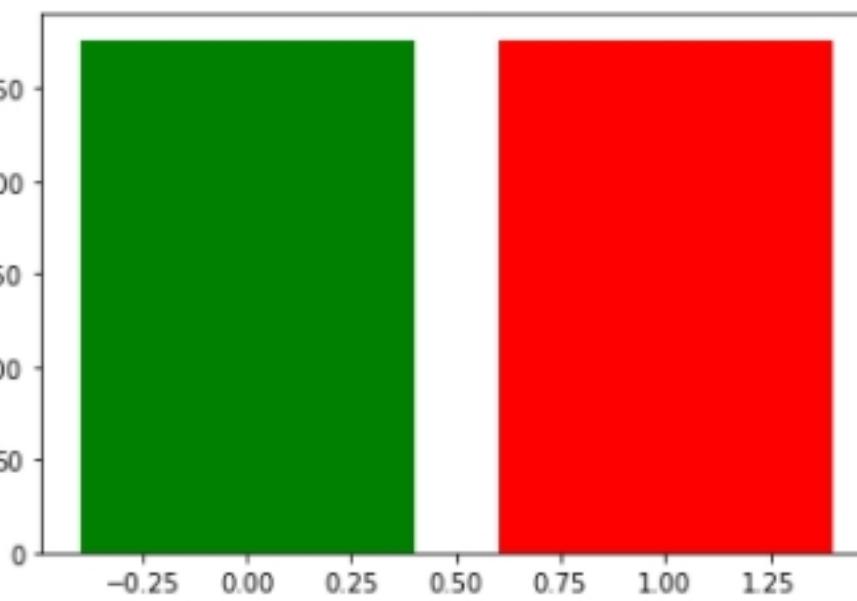


# Balancing data with SMOTE

Before applying SMOTE, counts of label '1' was: 32  
Before applying SMOTE, counts of label '0' was: 276



After applying SMOTE, counts of label '1': 276  
after applying SMOTE, counts of label '0': 276





# Naïve Bayes algorithm

**t is a classification technique based on Bayes' Theorem with an assumption of independence among predictors:**

$$P(c|x) = (P(x|c) * P(c)) / P(x)$$

**Where  $P(c|x)$  stands for Posterior Probability**

$(P(x|c) \rightarrow \text{Likelihood})$

$P(c) \rightarrow \text{Class prior probability}$

$P(X) \rightarrow \text{Predictor prior probability}$



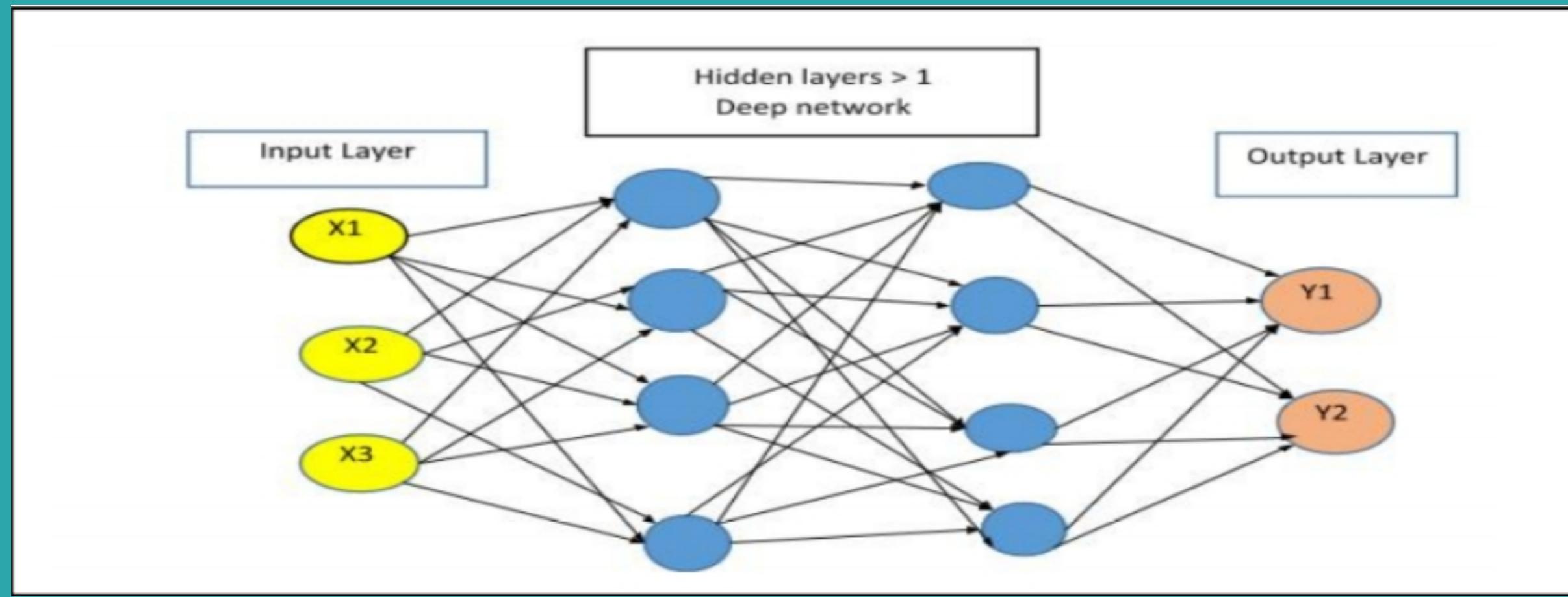
# SVM and Adaboost classifier

**SVM: Support vector machine is a supervised machine learning algorithm which defines a hyperplane which can split the data in the most optimal way such that there is a wine margin among the hyperplane and the observations.**

**Adaboost Classifier:** AdaBoost classifier is an estimator that begins by fitting a classifier on the original dataset and then fits additional copies of the classifier on the same dataset



# Feed Forward Neural



**A general version of the neural network is called Feed Forward Neural Network is basically a collection of neurons. Each of these neurons or layers are vertically concatenated.**



# Evaluation strategy

- Accuracy
- Precision
- Recall
- F1 Score
- AUC score

## Confusion Matrix

	Predicted 0	Predicted 1
Actual 0	TN	FP
Actual 1	FN	TP

**Precision = True Positive / (True Positive + False Positive)**

**Recall = True Positive / (True Positive + False Negative)**

**F1 score =  $2 * ( \text{Precision} * \text{Recall} ) / (\text{Precision} + \text{Recall})$**



# ROC curve comparison

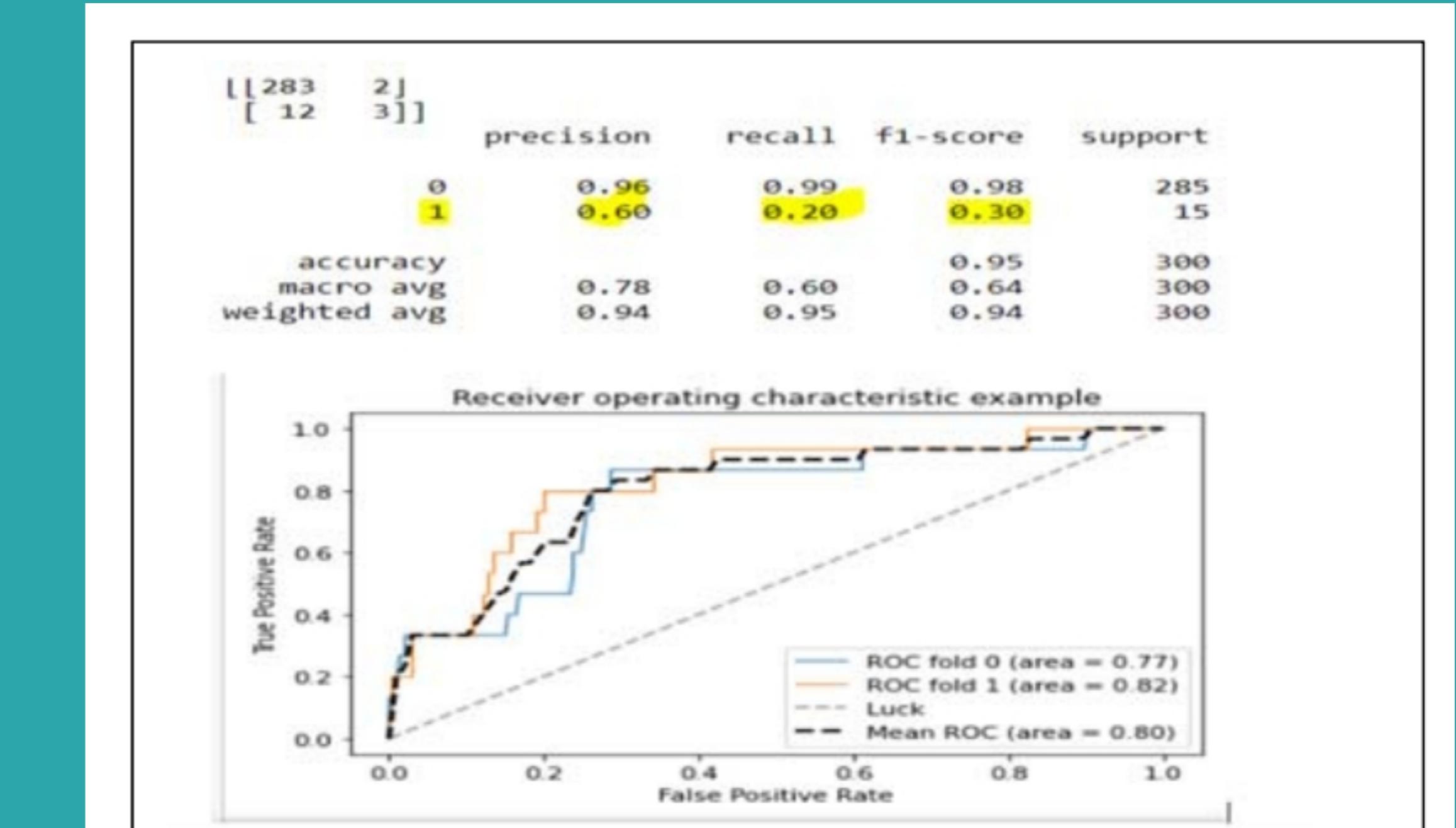
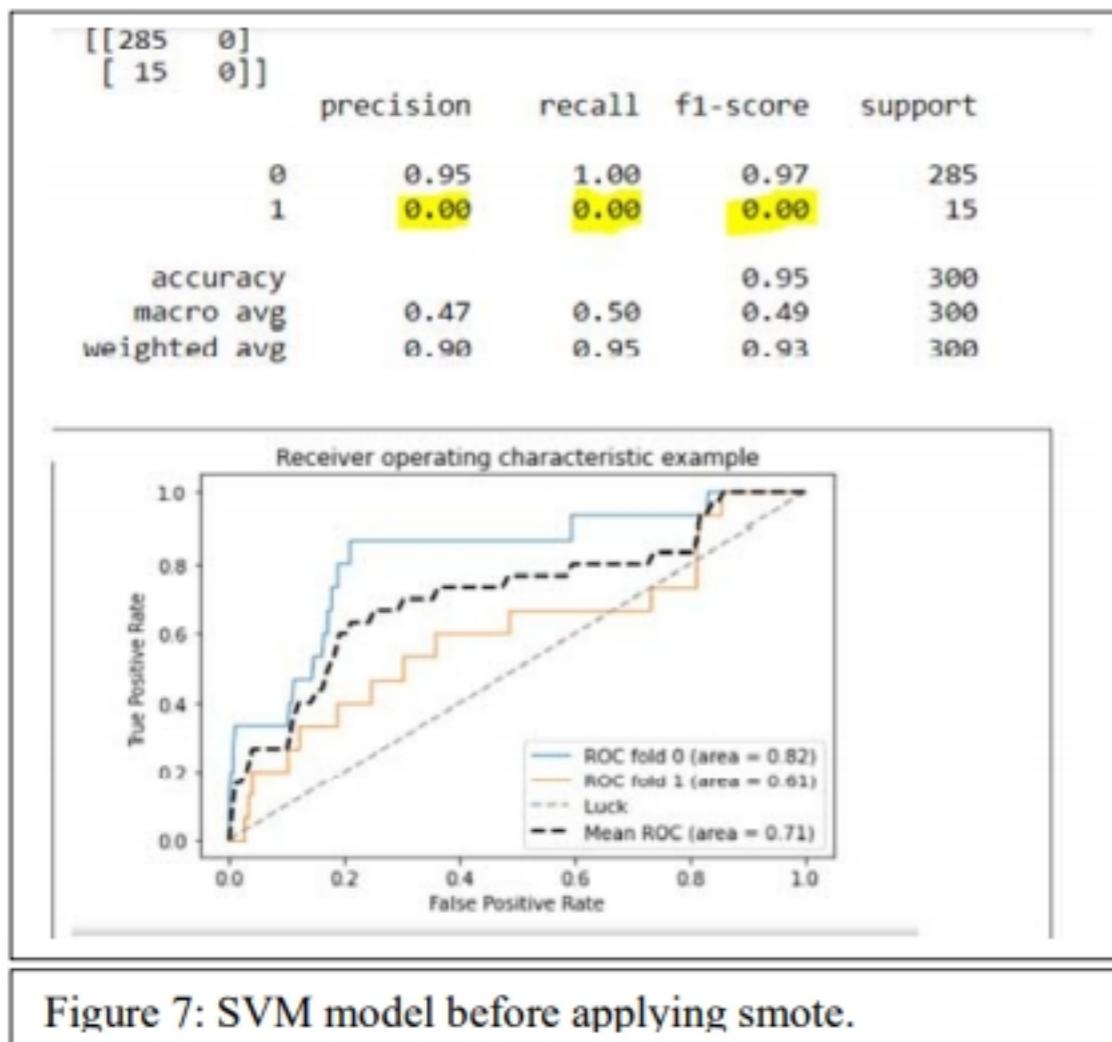


Figure 8 shows the result of applying SMOTE on the same file



# Result comparison-SVM model

	Imbalanced data						Applying SMOTE				
	Accuracy	Mean AUC	Precision	Recall	F1 Score	Accuracy	Mean AUC	Precision	Recall	F1 Score	
pc1	95	71	90	95	93	95	80	94	95	94	
kc1	78	45	61	78	68	69	50	64	69	66	
kc2	79	51	62	79	69	79	57	73	79	72	
jm1	81	61	74	81	77	77	60	75	77	76	
cm1	91	61	83	91	87	91	61	83	91	87	



# Result comparison (continued)

Final result:

Naïve Bayes algorithm										
	Imbalanced data					Applying SMOTE				
	Accuracy	Mean AUC	Precision	Recall	F1 Score	Accuracy	Mean AUC	Precision	Recall	F1 Score
pc1	96	70	92	96	96	96	<b>71</b>	92	96	94
kc1	81	59	65	81	72	81	59	65	81	72
kc2	75	68	56	75	64	75	65	56	75	64
jm1	84	<b>58</b>	71	84	77	84	59	71	84	77
cm1	92	65	85	92	88	83	64	87	83	85

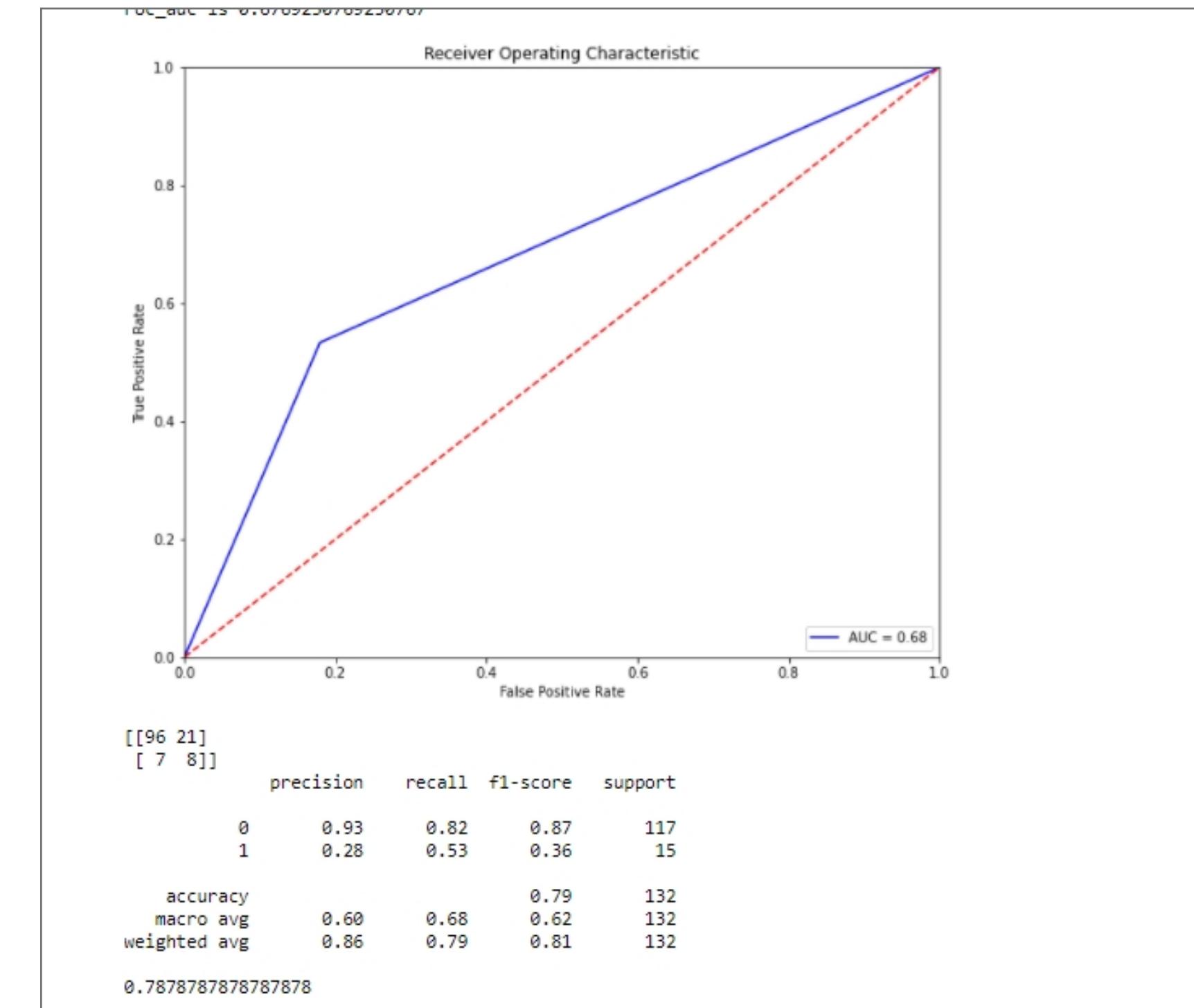
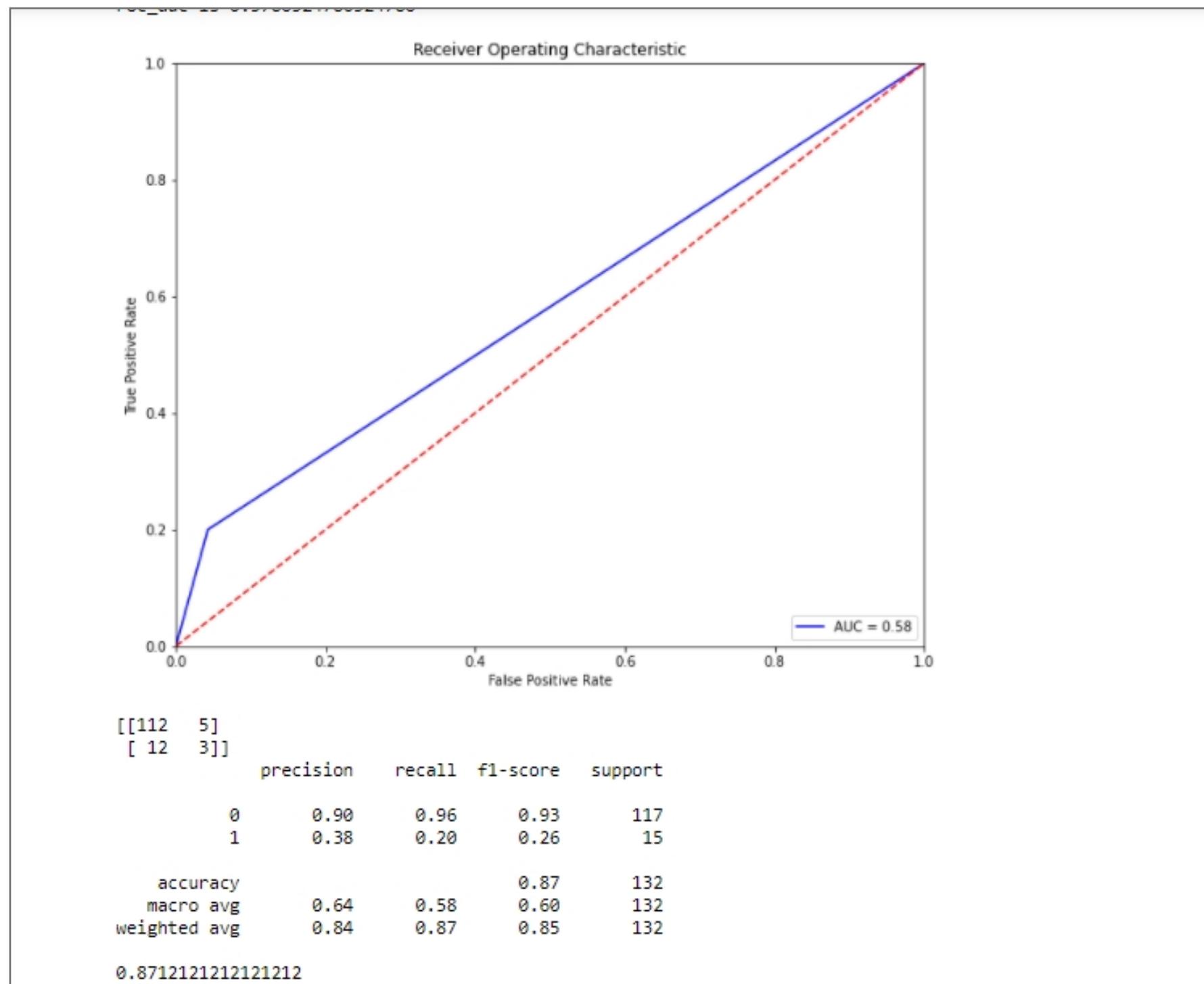
Logistic Regression										
	Imbalanced data					Applying SMOTE				
	Accuracy	Mean AUC	Precision	Recall	F1 Score	Accuracy	Mean AUC	Precision	Recall	F1 Score
pc1	96	89	92	96	94	96	87	92	96	94
kc1	81	60	65	81	72	70	60	<b>75</b>	70	72
kc2	75	70	56	75	64	75	64	<b>71</b>	75	71
jm1	84	<b>63</b>	71	84	77	74	63	<b>78</b>	74	58
cm1	92	65	85	92	88	91	71	88	91	89

Adaboost classifier										
	Imbalanced data					Applying SMOTE				
	Accuracy	Mean AUC	Precision	Recall	F1 Score	Accuracy	Mean AUC	Precision	Recall	F1 Score
pc1	96	89	92	96	94	53	<b>66</b>	<b>94</b>	53	<b>66</b>
kc1	81	58	65	81	72	23	<b>51</b>	<b>71</b>	23	15
kc2	75	59	72	75	72	70	63	73	70	71
jm1	84	<b>59</b>	71	84	84	16	46	<b>2</b>	16	4
cm1	91	51	84	91	88	62	58	86	62	71



# Result from Feed Forward Neural Network





# Explainable AI and LIME

**Need for :**

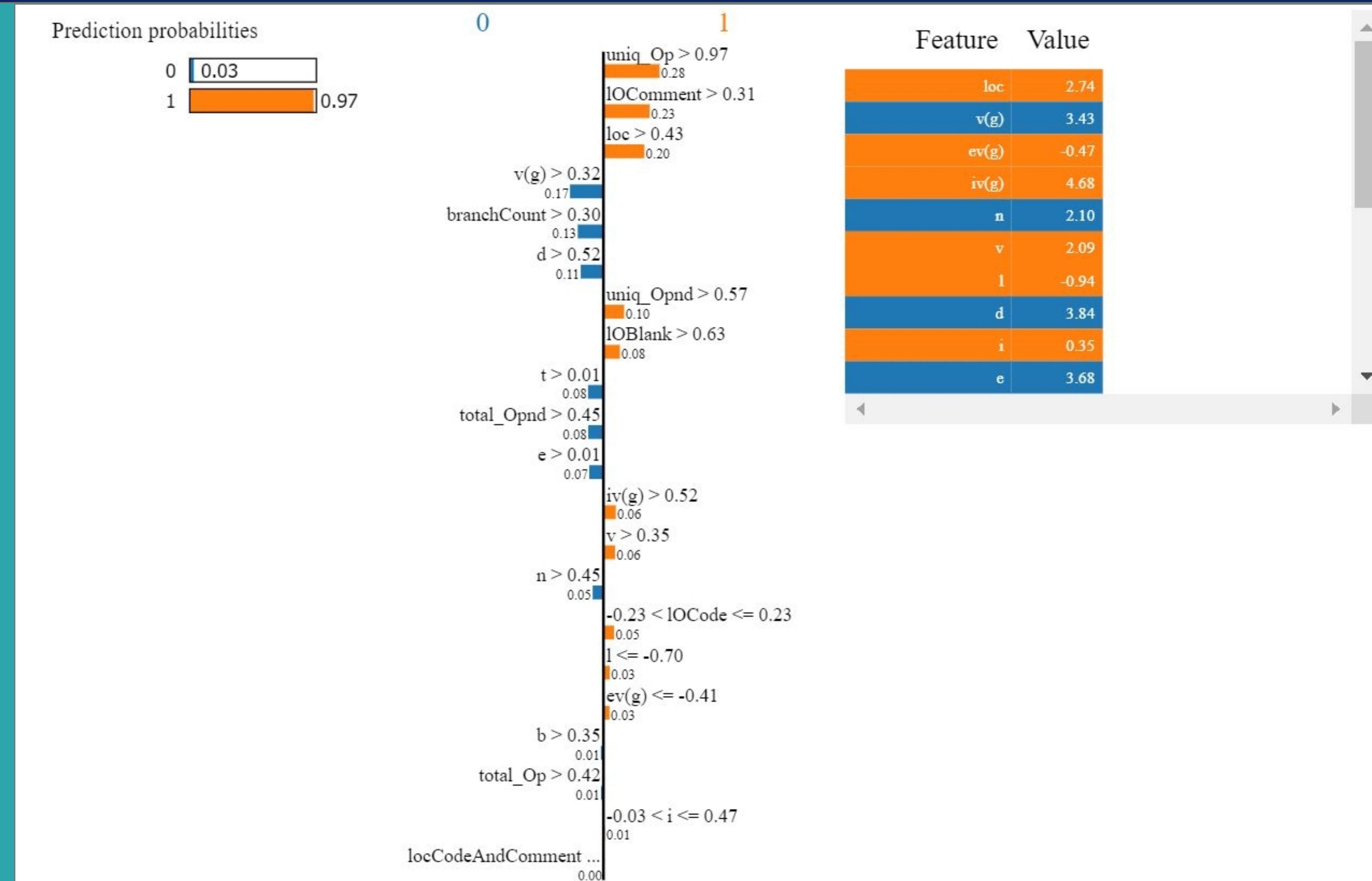
- . Transparency
- . Auditability

**Local Interpretable Model-Agnostic Explanations (LIME)** which unpack and understand the inner correlations and innerworkings of what would normally be considered a “black box” model.

**AI Explanation technique that explains the predictions of any classifier in an interpretable and faithful manner, by learning an interpretable model locally around the prediction.**

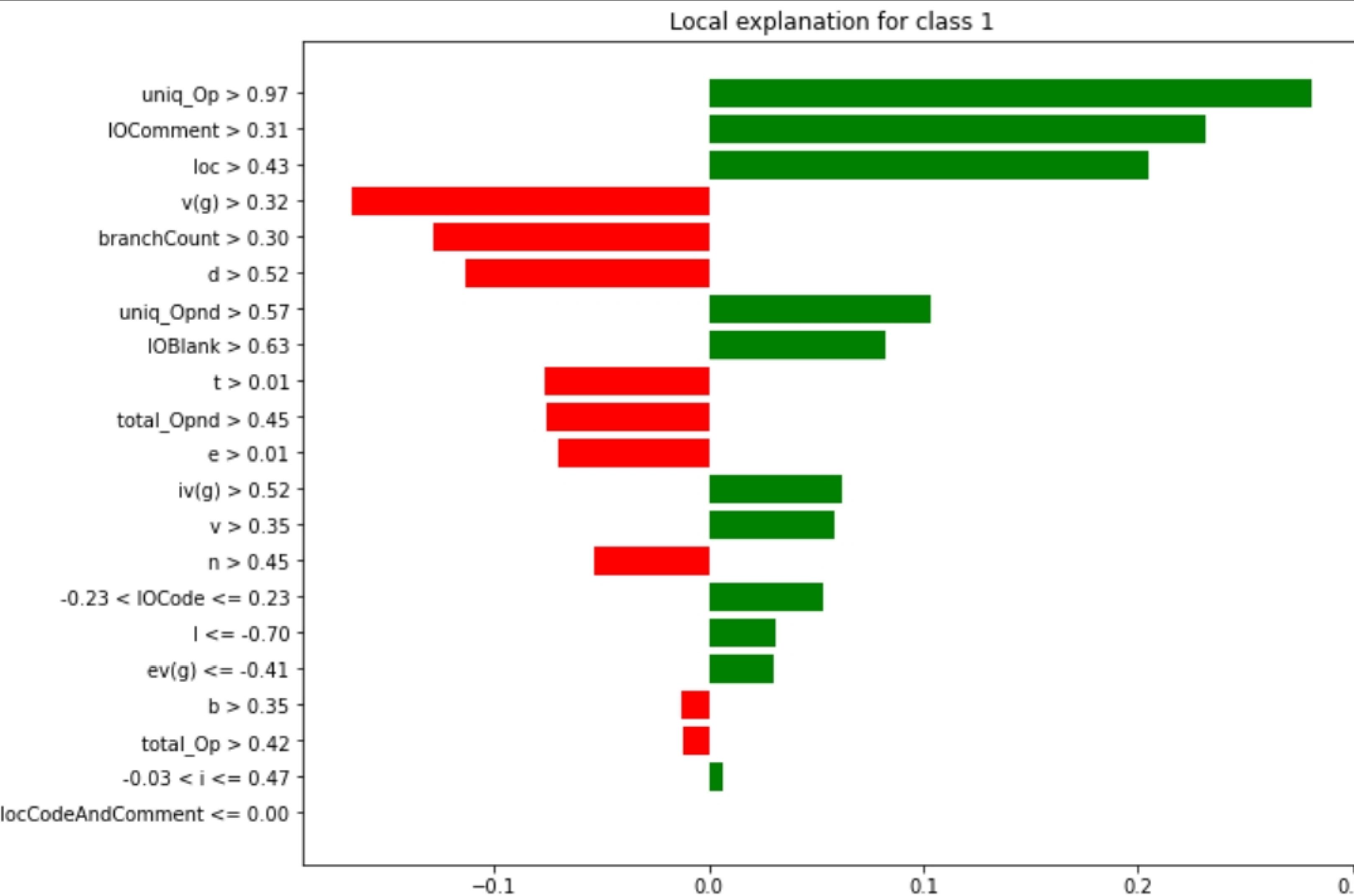
# Explain ability of the predicted value

Feature	Value
loc	133
v(g)	30
ev(g)	1
iv(g)	26
n	605
v	4185.91
l	0.01
d	77.46
i	54.04
e	324260.81
b	1.4
t	18014.49
IOCode	3
IOComment	91
IOBlank	55
locCodeAndComment	0
uniq_Op	50
uniq_Opnd	71
total_Op	385
total_Opnd	220
branchCount	34
defects	TRUE





# Lime





# Conclusion and future work

**Integrate defect prediction algorithm with continuous testing**

**Apply the same technique in other datasets  
Performance tuning**



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# Thank you and questions?

