# **Predicting Automobile Insurance Claims**

https://github.com/jaworXYZ/5509

## **Project Topic**

The project looks at the utility of a LinearSVM versus two non-parametric classifiers (random forest and KNN) for predicting automobile insurance claims. With increased ability to predict the likelihood of claims, insurers could optimize premiums to increase profits or *ideally* reduce costs to customers less likely to have claims.

#### **Data**

This project is based off a dataset posted to Kaggle

(https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/ifteshanajnin/carinsuranceclaimprediction-classification). The dataset consists of features relating to the policy holder (age, location, etc.) and features relating to the car itself. The dataset includes a binary label indicating whether or not the policy holder placed a claim within six months of the data point.

The data is contained in a single .csv file and translates to a dataframe of over 58,000 rows and a mix of roughly 15 numerical features and almost 30 categorical features.

```
In [1]:
        import numpy as np
        import pandas as pd
        import seaborn as sns
        from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
        from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsClassifier
        from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
        from sklearn.svm import LinearSVC
        from sklearn.svm import SVC
        from sklearn.metrics import f1_score
        #from sklearn.model selection import cross val score, GridSearchCV
        import matplotlib.pylab as plt
        %matplotlib inline
        pd.options.display.max_columns = 200
In [2]:
        df = pd.read_csv('data/train.csv')
        print(df.shape)
        (58592, 44)
        df.head(3)
In [3]:
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	policy_id	policy_tenure	age_of_car	age_of_policyholder	area_cluster	population_density	make	segment mo	)
0	ID00001	0.515874	0.05	0.644231	C1	4990	1	А	
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2	ID00003	0.841110	0.02	0.384615	C3	4076	1	А	
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The dataset is composed of both numerical and categorical data. The data includes an index column (which I will remove), 42 features, and binary label. Now divide the df into X and y:

## **Data Cleaning & Exploratory Data Analysis**

```
X.describe()
In [6]:
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In [7]: # "make" used a numerical datatype, but should be categorical
X['make'] = X['make'].astype('0')
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In [8]: # Previous description only included numerical features. Categorical features described here: X.describe(exclude=np.number)

Out[8]:		area_cluster	make	segment	model	fuel_type	max_torque	max_power	engine_type	is_es
	count	58592	58592	58592	58592	58592	58592	58592	58592	5859
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	freq	13654	38126	18314	14948	20532	17796	17796	14948	4019

In [9]: # We will drop the features that are very unbalanced like "is\_speed\_alert" which is 99.4% yes
drop\_list = ["is\_speed\_alert","is\_power\_steering","is\_parking\_sensors"]
X = X.drop(drop\_list,axis=1)

# One-hot encode remaining categorical features to ensure better compatibility with Pandas and SI Xo = pd.get dummies(X,drop first=True)

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ture version, the Index constructor will not infer numeric dtypes when passed object-dtype seque
nces (matching Series behavior)
 uniques = Index(uniques)

In [10]: Xo.shape

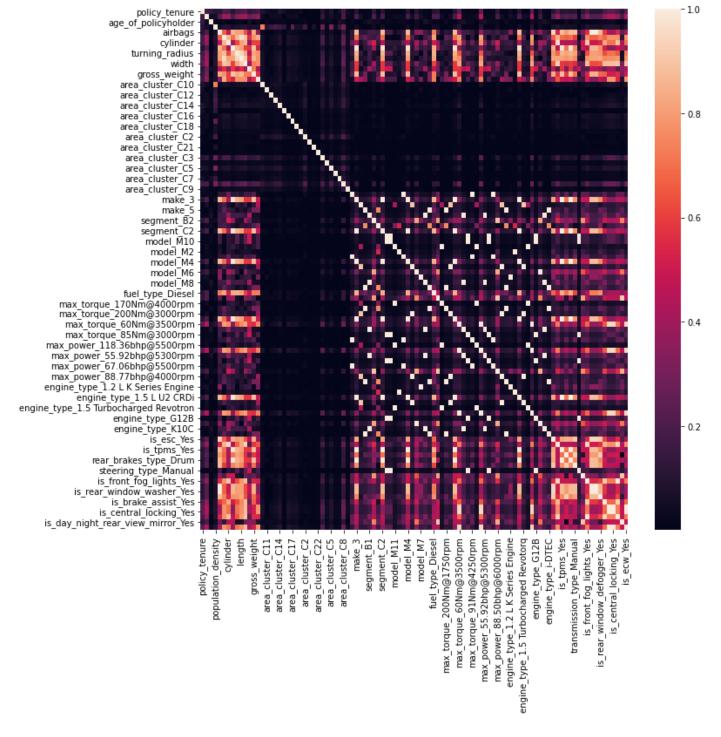
Out[10]: (58592, 100)

Even dropping the (redundant) first columns of the categorical data, we now a very large set of features (100!).

Now checking for correlation, and hopefully dropping some (many) columns:

```
In [11]: corr = Xo.corr().abs()
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(11,11))  # Sample figsize in inches
sns.heatmap(corr,ax=ax)
```

Out[11]: <AxesSubplot:>



There above heatmap shows that there are some points of very high correlation. However, with 100 features it isn't easy to see which features those are.

```
c = corr.abs().unstack().sort_values()
In [12]:
          c[(c>0.9)&(c<1.0)]
         is_front_fog_lights_Yes
                                              cylinder
                                                                                    0.904696
Out[12]:
                                              is_front_fog_lights_Yes
         cylinder
                                                                                    0.904696
         steering_type_Power
                                              is_day_night_rear_view_mirror_Yes
                                                                                    0.905242
         is_day_night_rear_view_mirror_Yes steering_type_Power
                                                                                    0.905242
         fuel_type_Petrol
                                              is_day_night_rear_view_mirror_Yes
                                                                                    0.910817
         model M4
                                              rear_brakes_type_Drum
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         rear_brakes_type_Drum
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                                              is_tpms_Yes
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         is_tpms_Yes
                                              rear_brakes_type_Drum
                                                                                    1.000000
         Length: 86, dtype: float64
```

Accounting for duplicate pair, there are over 40 features with absolute correlation between 0 and 1. Rather than look at correlations between specific category labels, it seems sensible to compare categories themselves.

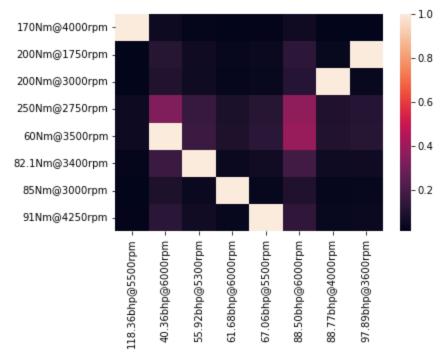
Next we will look at specific pairings of categoricals to see how they correlate, and see if they can be removed entirely.

```
In [13]: # helper method to plot correlation of labels within specific features

def cat_corr(cat1,cat2):
    cat10 = pd.get_dummies(X[cat1],drop_first=True)
    cat20 = pd.get_dummies(X[cat2],drop_first=True)
    corr = cat10.join(cat20).corr().abs()
    corr = corr.iloc[cat10.shape[1]:,:cat20.shape[1]]
    print("Overall correlation is %s." % np.mean(corr.max()))
    sns.heatmap(corr)
```

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In [14]: cat_corr('max_power','max_torque')
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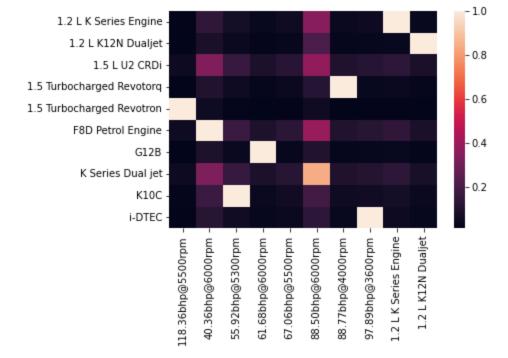
Overall correlation is 0.9233160799269159.



We can see that max power and torque are correlated almost 1:1 for almost all configurations and that the average correlation is above 90%. It would make sense to drop at least one of these features.

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In [15]: # continue checking other features
  cat_corr('max_power','engine_type')
```

Overall correlation is 0.895968228162068.

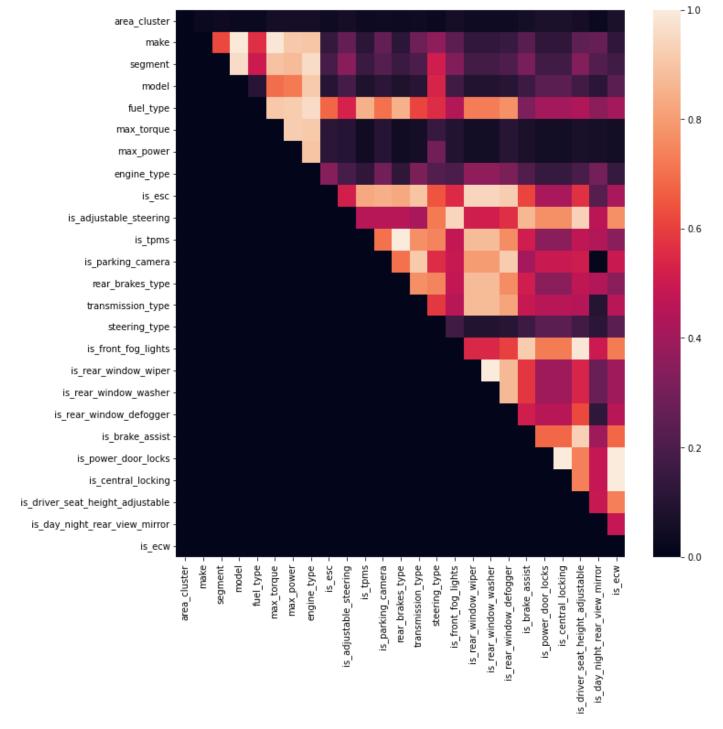


Checking max\_power against engine\_type again confirms a strong correlation. This makes intuitive sense as there appear to be only a small handful of identical engine configurations.

Rather than analyze each pair individually, we should automate some of this:

```
# create a list of categorical features
In [16]:
         cat_list = []
         for col in X.columns:
             if X[col].dtype == '0':
                  cat_list.append(col)
         # iterate through list of features and create average categorical correlation plot for values ov
         corr = []
         for i in range(len(cat_list)):
             next line = []
             for j in range(len(cat_list)):
                  if i >= j:
                      next_line.append(0)
                  else:
                      cat1o = pd.get_dummies(df[cat_list[i]],drop_first=True)
                      cat2o = pd.get_dummies(df[cat_list[j]],drop_first=True)
                      corr_ij = pd.concat([cat10, cat20], axis=1).corr().abs()
                      corr_ij = corr_ij.iloc[cat1o.shape[1]:,:cat2o.shape[1]]
                      next_line.append(np.mean(corr_ij.max()))
             corr.append(next_line)
         corr = pd.DataFrame(corr,index=cat_list, columns=cat_list)
         fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(11,11))
         sns.heatmap(corr,ax=ax)
```

Out[16]: <AxesSubplot:>



```
In [17]: # identify most correlative categorical pairs
    c = corr.unstack().sort_values()
    c[(c>0.9)&(c<1.0)]</pre>
```

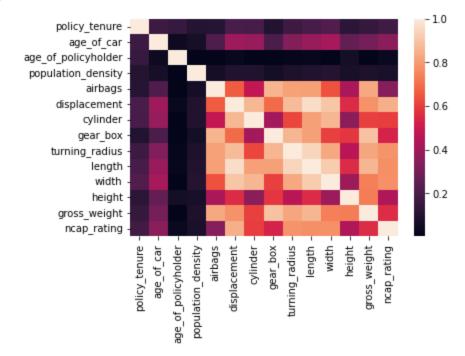
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         engine_type
Out[17]:
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         is_brake_assist
                                             is_front_fog_lights
         is_rear_window_defogger
                                             is_parking_camera
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         is_driver_seat_height_adjustable
                                             is_brake_assist
                                                                        0.929115
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                                             is_front_fog_lights
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         max torque
                                             make
                                                                        0.987479
         model
                                             make
                                                                        0.989983
         rear_brakes_type
                                             is_tpms
                                                                        1.000000
         dtype: float64
```

In [18]: # select categorical features from above pairs to reduce correlations within dataset
# leaving 'make' in as I already want to drop many features it strongly correlates with
drop\_list = ['max\_torque', 'max\_power', 'model', 'is\_tpms', 'is\_front\_fog\_lights', 'fuel\_type', 'is\_r

Correlation of numerical features:

```
In [19]: c2 = X.select_dtypes(exclude='0').corr().abs()
sns.heatmap(c2)
```

### Out[19]: <AxesSubplot:>



```
turning_radius length 0.944899
length turning_radius 0.944899
displacement 0.961655
displacement length 0.961655
dtype: float64

In [21]: # Add "Length" to list of features to drop
drop_list.append('length')
```

0.915918

0.915918

Create a reduced and normalized dataframe "Xn" to build models from

width

length

length

width

Out[20]:

```
In [22]: # We will Xo now and create a new DataFrame with dropped features, one-hot encodings, and normal
# Min-Max normalize numerical features to best fit with binary one-hot encodings of categorical of
Xn = X.drop(drop_list,axis=1)
for col in Xn.columns:
    if Xn[col].dtype != '0':
        #Xn[col] = (Xn[col]-Xn[col].mean())/Xn[col].std()
        Xn[col] = (Xn[col]-Xn[col].min())/(Xn[col].max()-Xn[col].min())
# OHE
Xn = pd.get_dummies(Xn,drop_first=True)
Xn
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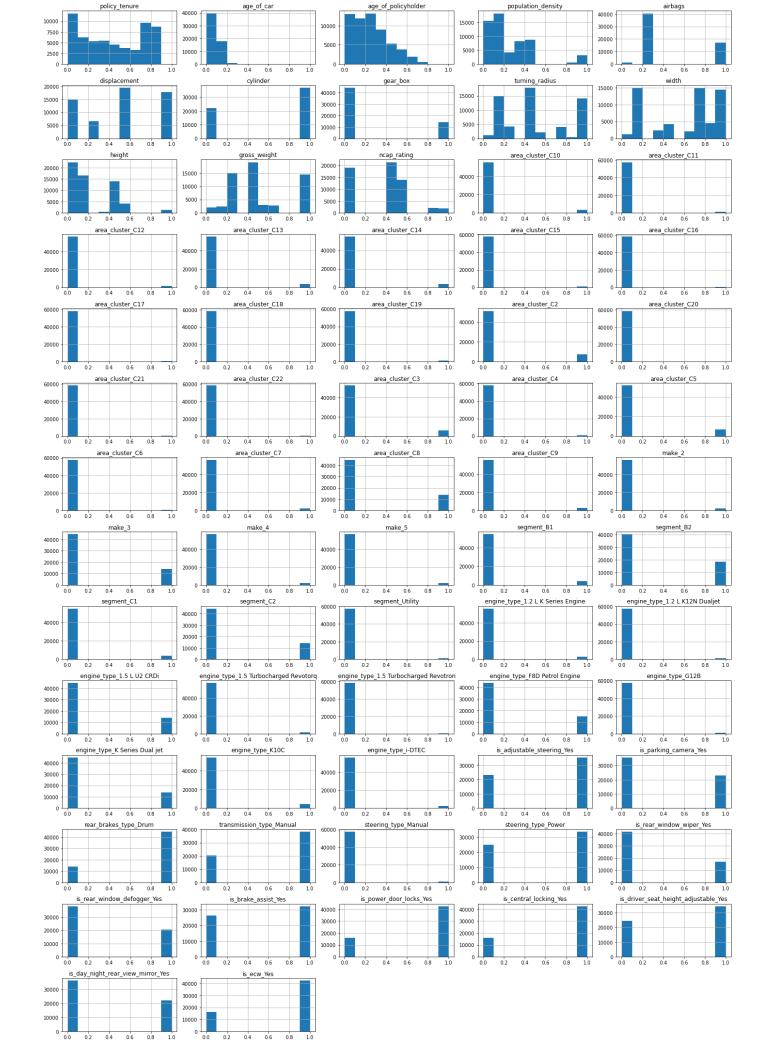
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ture version, the Index constructor will not infer numeric dtypes when passed object-dtype seque
nces (matching Series behavior)
uniques = Index(uniques)

Out[22]:

	policy_tenure	age_of_car	age_of_policyholder	population_density	airbags	displacement	cylinder	gear_b
0	0.368130	0.05	0.500000	0.064260	0.2	0.000000	0.0	
1	0.480580	0.02	0.121622	0.365231	0.2	0.000000	0.0	
2	0.601457	0.02	0.135135	0.051764	0.2	0.000000	0.0	I
3	0.643904	0.11	0.202703	0.291660	0.2	0.571225	1.0	
4	0.425902	0.11	0.486486	0.470987	0.2	0.289174	0.0	
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58587	0.252782	0.13	0.500000	0.116270	0.2	0.289174	0.0	
58588	0.858671	0.02	0.324324	0.102516	0.2	0.000000	0.0	
58589	0.831862	0.05	0.229730	0.470987	0.2	0.000000	0.0	
58590	0.884975	0.14	0.378378	0.116270	0.2	0.571225	1.0	
58591	0.087304	0.02	0.216216	0.116270	1.0	0.992877	1.0	

58592 rows × 67 columns

```
In [23]: Xn.hist(figsize=(20,30), layout=(14,5))
    plt.tight_layout()
```



The histograms of the numerical models don't suggest any irregularities in the data. The histograms of the categorical values don't illustrate very much other than which specific categories are under/over-presented within their features.

Split data into training and test sets:

```
In [24]: X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(Xn,y, test_size=0.15, random_state=13)
In [25]: print(X_train.shape)
    print(X_test.shape)
    print(y_train.shape)
    print(y_test.shape)

    (49803, 67)
    (8789, 67)
    (49803,)
    (8789,)
```

### **Models & Results**

```
In [26]: # Check for imbalance among y values
    np.mean(y_train)
```

Out[26]: 0.0647350561211172

Given the there are so few claims made (<6.5% of policies has claims), the data is quite imbalanced. Simple accuracy won't be sufficient for testing performance. Instead use the **F1-score**.

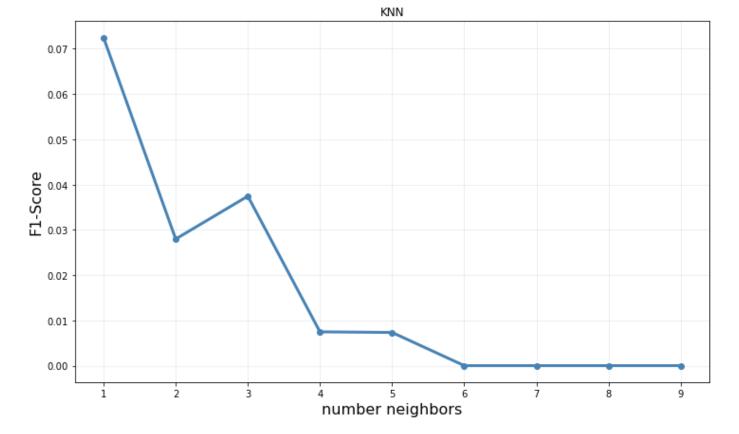
The imbalance will have to be accounted for in the models. It won't affect the KNN model, but the Random Forest in particular could be susceptible to issues with imbalance. The SKLearn implementations of both Random Forest and LinearSVC include class\_weight parameters that will hopefully make a difference.

#### Model 1: KNN

```
In [27]: # KNN for values of n_neighbors
all_par = range(1,10)
scores = []
for p in all_par:
    knn = KNeighborsClassifier(n_neighbors=p)
    y_hat = knn.fit(X_train, y_train).predict(X_test)
    scores.append(f1_score(y_test,y_hat))

print('Maximum F1-score of ',max(scores))
fig, ax = plt.subplots(nrows=1,ncols=1,figsize=(12,7))
ax.plot(all_par, scores, marker="o", color="steelblue", lw=3, label="unweighted")
ax.set_xlabel("number neighbors", fontsize=16)
ax.set_ylabel("F1-Score", fontsize=16)
ax.set_title("KNN")
ax.grid(alpha=0.25)
```

Maximum F1-score of 0.0724907063197026



It is clear from the above that k=1 yields the highest performance. Unfortunately, the f-score is still very low. The is nothing to be done here to account for imbalance.

#### **Model 2: Random Forest**

We will begin with a default random forest and then modify some of the parameters to see what effect that has.

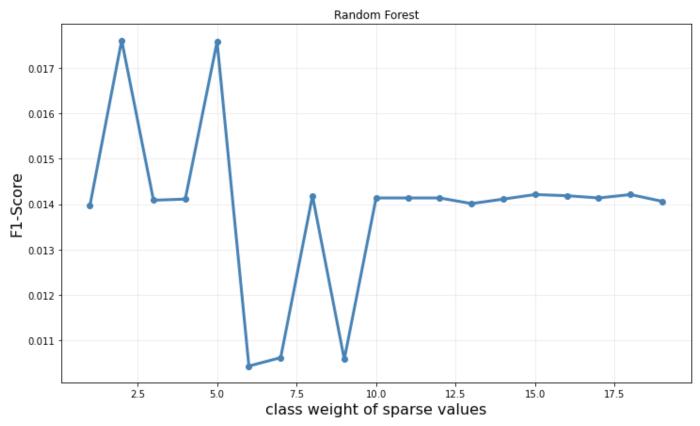
```
# RandomForest (Default)
In [28]:
         y_hat = RandomForestClassifier(random_state=13).fit(X_train, y_train).predict(X_test)
         f1_score(y_test,y_hat)
         0.013961605584642234
Out[28]:
         y_hat = RandomForestClassifier(max_features='log2',random_state=13).fit(X_train, y_train).predic
In [29]:
         f1_score(y_test,y_hat)
         0.013937282229965157
Out[29]:
         y_hat = RandomForestClassifier(class_weight={0: 1, 1: 5},random_state=13).fit(X_train, y_train).
In [30]:
         f1_score(y_test,y_hat)
         0.017574692442882248
Out[30]:
```

There is some promise here that increasing the class weights could lead to better performance.

```
In [31]: # RandomForest for class_weights
all_par = range(1,20)
scores = []
for p in all_par:
    clf = RandomForestClassifier(class_weight={0: 1, 1: p},random_state=13)
    y_hat = clf.fit(X_train, y_train).predict(X_test)
    scores.append(f1_score(y_test,y_hat))
```

```
print('Maximum F1-score of ',max(scores))
fig, ax = plt.subplots(nrows=1,ncols=1,figsize=(12,7))
ax.plot(all_par, scores, marker="o", color="steelblue", lw=3, label="unweighted")
ax.set_xlabel("class weight of sparse values", fontsize=16)
ax.set_ylabel("F1-Score", fontsize=16)
ax.set_title("Random Forest")
ax.grid(alpha=0.25)
```

Maximum F1-score of 0.017605633802816902

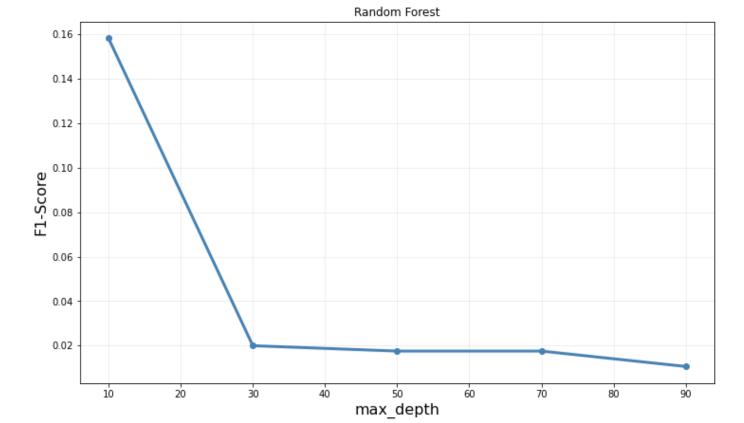


Given the jagged nature of the trendline, it doesn't appear that this will consistently improve the performance for any values of the class weight.

```
In [32]: # RandomForest for values of max_depth
    all_par = range(10,100,20)
    scores = []
    for p in all_par:
        clf = RandomForestClassifier(class_weight='balanced',max_depth=p)
        y_hat = clf.fit(X_train, y_train).predict(X_test)
        scores.append(f1_score(y_test,y_hat))

print('Maximum F1-score of ',max(scores))
    fig, ax = plt.subplots(nrows=1,ncols=1,figsize=(12,7))
    ax.plot(all_par, scores, marker="0", color="steelblue", lw=3, label="unweighted")
    ax.set_xlabel("max_depth", fontsize=16)
    ax.set_ylabel("F1-Score", fontsize=16)
    ax.set_title("Random Forest")
    ax.grid(alpha=0.25)
```

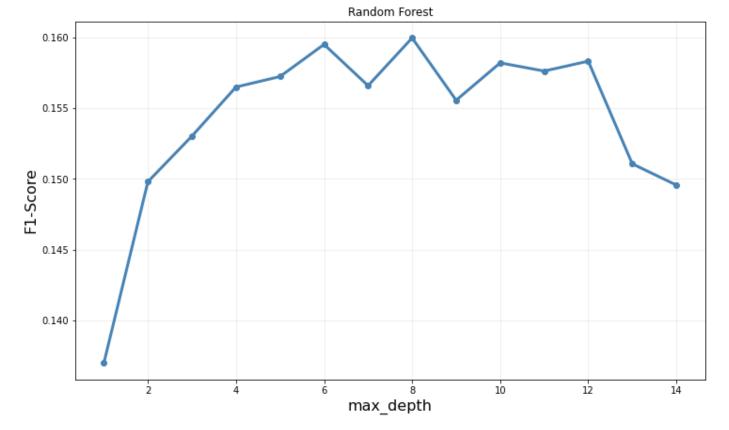
Maximum F1-score of 0.15828877005347594



```
In [33]: # RandomForest for values of max_depth (refined range of values)
all_par = range(1,15)
scores = []
for p in all_par:
    clf = RandomForestClassifier(class_weight='balanced',max_depth=p)
    y_hat = clf.fit(X_train, y_train).predict(X_test)
    scores.append(f1_score(y_test,y_hat))

print('Maximum F1-score of ',max(scores))
fig, ax = plt.subplots(nrows=1,ncols=1,figsize=(12,7))
ax.plot(all_par, scores, marker="o", color="steelblue", lw=3, label="unweighted")
ax.set_xlabel("max_depth", fontsize=16)
ax.set_ylabel("F1-Score", fontsize=16)
ax.set_title("Random Forest")
ax.grid(alpha=0.25)
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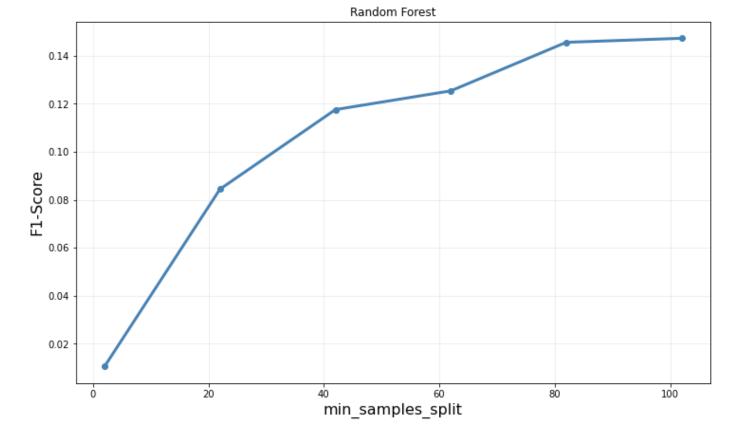
Maximum F1-score of 0.15998101115594587



```
In [34]: # RandomForest for values of min_samples_split
    all_par = range(2,122,20)
    scores = []
    for p in all_par:
        clf = RandomForestClassifier(class_weight='balanced',min_samples_split=p)
        y_hat = clf.fit(X_train, y_train).predict(X_test)
        scores.append(f1_score(y_test,y_hat))

print('Maximum F1-score of ',max(scores))
    fig, ax = plt.subplots(nrows=1,ncols=1,figsize=(12,7))
    ax.plot(all_par, scores, marker="o", color="steelblue", lw=3, label="unweighted")
    ax.set_xlabel("min_samples_split", fontsize=16)
    ax.set_ylabel("F1-Score", fontsize=16)
    ax.set_title("Random Forest")
    ax.grid(alpha=0.25)
```

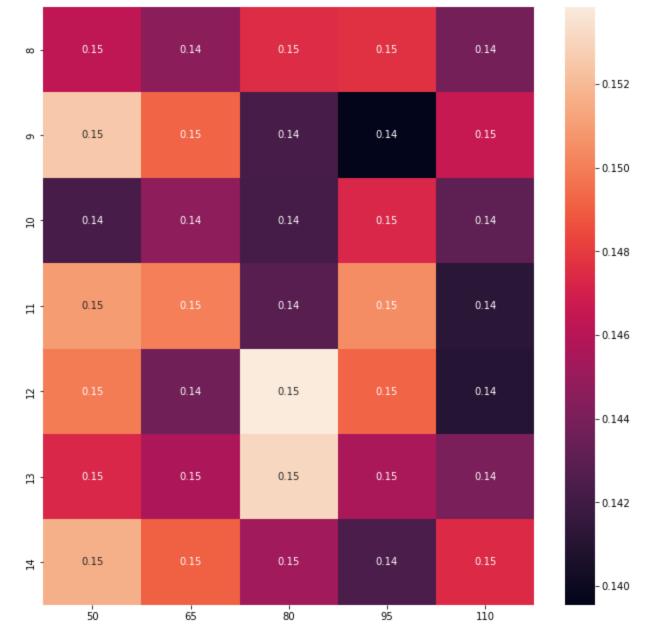
Maximum F1-score of 0.1472837022132797



```
In [35]: # RandomForest grid search
    all_max_depths = range(8,15)
    all_min_split = range(50,125,15)
    scores = []
    for i in all_max_depths:
        next_line = []
        for j in all_min_split:
            clf = RandomForestClassifier(class_weight='balanced',min_samples_split=p)
            y_hat = clf.fit(X_train, y_train).predict(X_test)
            next_line.append(f1_score(y_test,y_hat))
        scores.append(next_line)
```

```
In [36]: scores = pd.DataFrame(scores,index=all_max_depths, columns=all_min_split)
    fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(11,11))
    sns.heatmap(scores,ax=ax,annot=True)
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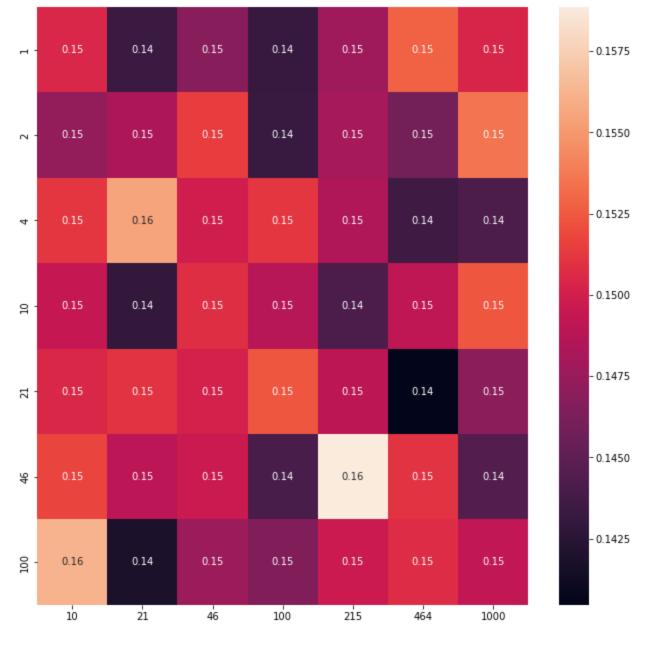
Out[36]: <AxesSubplot:>



```
In [37]: # RandomForest grid search over a larger range of values
all_max_depths = np.logspace(0,2,7).astype(int)
all_min_split = np.logspace(1,3,7).astype(int)
scores = []
for i in all_max_depths:
    next_line = []
    for j in all_min_split:
        clf = RandomForestClassifier(class_weight='balanced',min_samples_split=p)
        y_hat = clf.fit(X_train, y_train).predict(X_test)
        next_line.append(f1_score(y_test,y_hat))
    scores.append(next_line)

scores = pd.DataFrame(scores,index=all_max_depths, columns=all_min_split)
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(11,11))
sns.heatmap(scores,ax=ax,annot=True)
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Out[37]: <AxesSubplot:>



It doesn't appear likely that any combination of values will result in performance exceeding the earlier max F1-score of 0.162 when using max\_depth=11

#### Model 3: Linear SVC

Begin with default model.

Out[39]:

```
In [38]:
         # LinearSVC (Default)
          y_hat = LinearSVC(random_state=13).fit(X_train, y_train).predict(X_test)
         f1_score(y_test,y_hat)
         0.0
Out[38]:
In [39]:
         y_hat.mean()
         0.0
```

The default model has F1-score of zero, which suggests either the precision or accuracy are zero. Checking the mean shows that model is mislabeling everything as "0" (no claim). This is likely due to the lack of imbalance handling.

```
In [40]: # LinearSVC (Balanced)
y_hat = LinearSVC(random_state=13,class_weight='balanced').fit(X_train, y_train).predict(X_test)
f1_score(y_test,y_hat)

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Success! Balancing the model has already resulted in a dramatic performance improvement, but still not one that exceeds the Random Forest.

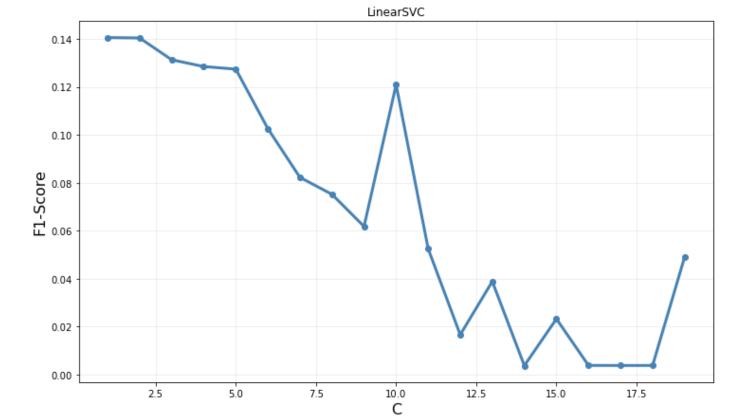
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In [41]: # LinearSVC for C
all_par = range(1,20)
scores = []
for p in all_par:
    svc = LinearSVC(random_state=13,class_weight='balanced',C=p)
    y_hat = svc.fit(X_train, y_train).predict(X_test)
    scores.append(f1_score(y_test,y_hat))

print('Maximum F1-score of ',max(scores))
fig, ax = plt.subplots(nrows=1,ncols=1,figsize=(12,7))
ax.plot(all_par, scores, marker="o", color="steelblue", lw=3, label="unweighted")
ax.set_xlabel("C", fontsize=16)
ax.set_ylabel("F1-Score", fontsize=16)
ax.set_title("LinearSVC")
ax.grid(alpha=0.25)
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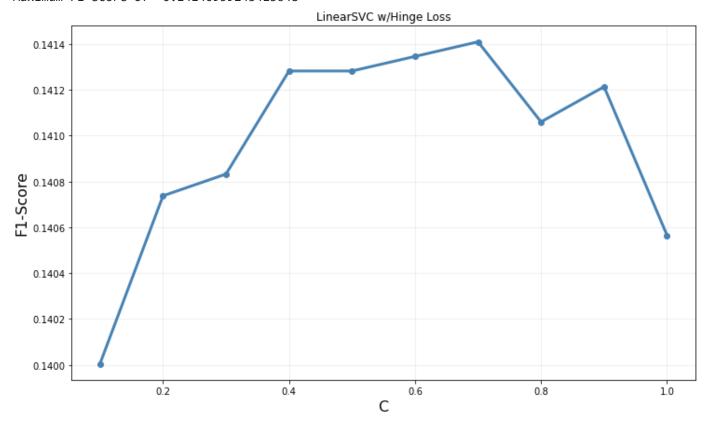
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Maximum F1-score of 0.14056497175141244

warnings.warn(



```
# LinearSVC for C (low values)
In [42]:
         all_par = np.linspace(0.1,1,10)
         scores = []
         for p in all_par:
             svc = LinearSVC(random_state=13, class_weight='balanced', C=p)
             y_hat = svc.fit(X_train, y_train).predict(X_test)
             scores.append(f1_score(y_test,y_hat))
         print('Maximum F1-score of ',max(scores))
         fig, ax = plt.subplots(nrows=1,ncols=1,figsize=(12,7))
         ax.plot(all_par, scores, marker="o", color="steelblue", lw=3, label="unweighted")
         ax.set_xlabel("C", fontsize=16)
         ax.set_ylabel("F1-Score", fontsize=16)
         ax.set_title("LinearSVC w/Hinge Loss")
         ax.grid(alpha=0.25)
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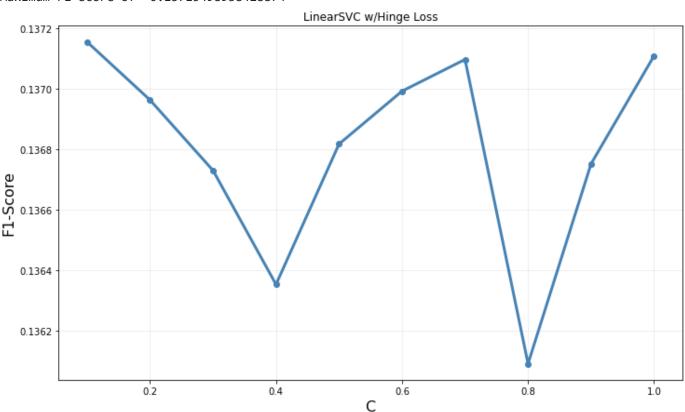


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In [43]: # LinearSVC for C (low values), hinge loss
all_par = np.linspace(0.1,1,10)
scores = []
for p in all_par:
    svc = LinearSVC(random_state=13,class_weight='balanced',C=p, loss='hinge')
    y_hat = svc.fit(X_train, y_train).predict(X_test)
    scores.append(f1_score(y_test,y_hat))

print('Maximum F1-score of ',max(scores))
fig, ax = plt.subplots(nrows=1,ncols=1,figsize=(12,7))
ax.plot(all_par, scores, marker="o", color="steelblue", lw=3, label="unweighted")
ax.set_xlabel("C", fontsize=16)
ax.set_ylabel("F1-Score", fontsize=16)
ax.set_title("LinearSVC w/Hinge Loss")
ax.grid(alpha=0.25)
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Maximum F1-score of 0.13715498938428874



Hinge Loss hasn't improved upon the performance of the model using squared\_hinge.

## **Discussion and Conclusion**

Despite an expectation that SVM would be the best performing model and that Random Forest might not be able to handle the imbalanced data, it was the Random Forest that did the best.

## **Learning and Takeaways**

This project made it very clear to me why imbalance must be taken into account. When first playing around with the models, I had defaulted to using accuracy as a metric (a big mistake!). The first SVM model I ran had very high accuracy, but as the F1-score proved, this was due to the model making the same prediction for all values.

#### What Didn't Work

The mix of numerical and categorical features was difficult to work with. Pandas's methods tended to be more robust than SKLearn's. One example was using the one-hot encoding: pd.get\_dummies encoded only the 'object' datatypes in the dataframe, while SKLearn's encoder tried to one-hot encode the numerical features. The Classifier methods I used here all required one-hot encoding as well.

## Ways to Improve

The data is potentially missing a major element: the value/expense of the claims. The performance here could be moot if it doesn't align with the economic impact of the claims (and thus the value of the predictions).