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Income Level Prediction

Overview

Objective:

 To predict whether a person makes over 50K a year.

Data:

- 1994 US census database
- ~ 32,000 observations with 14 variables
- Source: http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Adult

Data

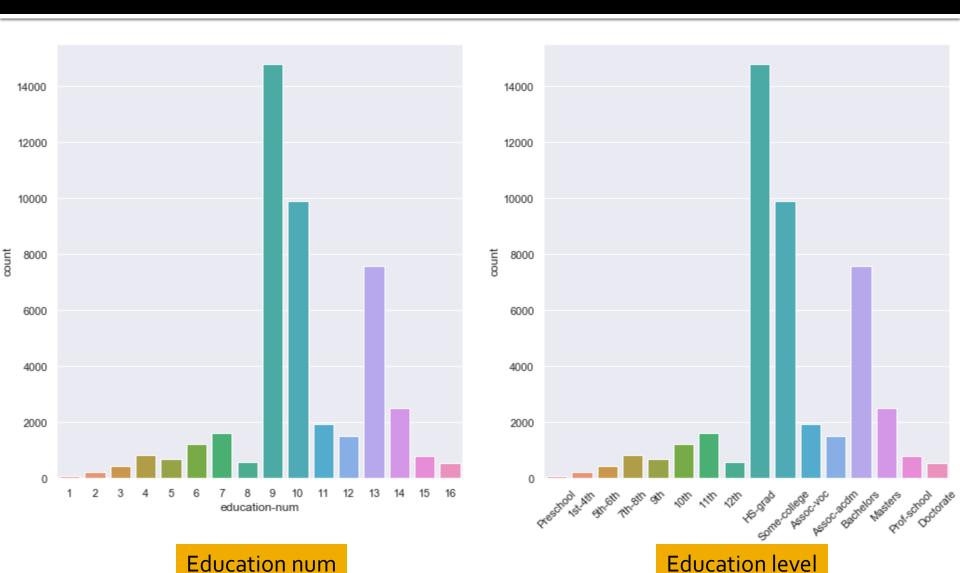
- 13 features
- 1 target variable: income (<=50k, > 50k)

Age	Workclass	Education _level	Educati on-num	Marital-status	Occupation	Relationship	Race	Sex	apital -gain	capita I-loss	Hours /week	Native- country	Income
int	object	object	float	object	object	object	object	object	float	float	float	object	object
39	State-gov	Bachelors	13	Never-married	Adm-clerical	Not-in-family	White	Male	2174	0	40	United- States	<=50K
50	Self-emp- not-inc	Bachelors	13	Married-civ-spouse	Exec-managerial	Husband	White	Male	0	0	13	United- States	<=50K
38	Private	HS-grad	9	Divorced	Handlers-cleaners	Not-in-family	White	Male	0	0	40	United- States	<=50K
53	Private	11th	7	Married-civ-spouse	Handlers-cleaners	Husband	Black	Male	0	0	40	United- States	<=50K
28	Private	Bachelors	13	Married-civ-spouse	Prof-specialty	Wife	Black	Femal e	0	0	40	Cuba	<=50K

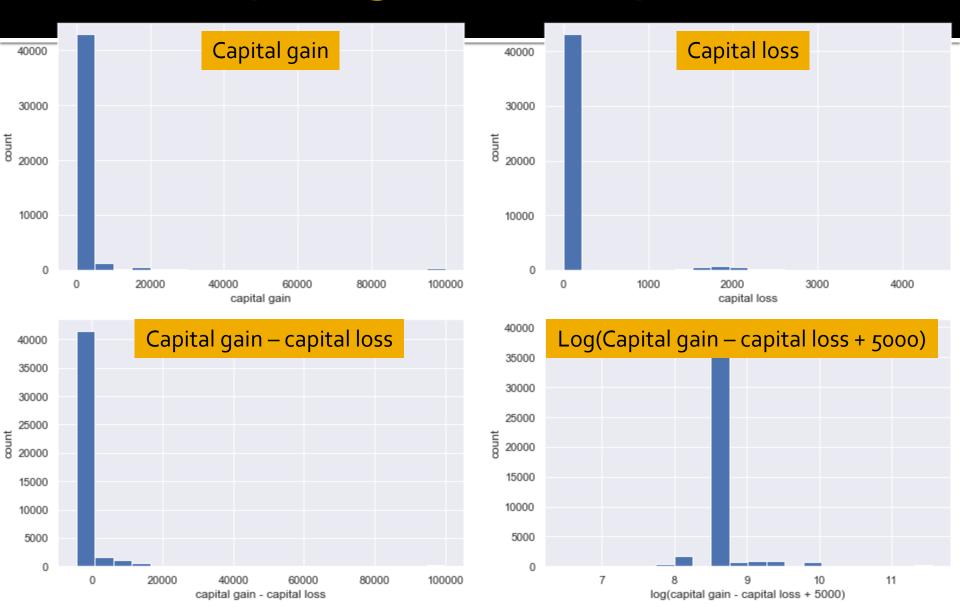
EDA: Education, age, and hours per work



EDA: Education num and education level

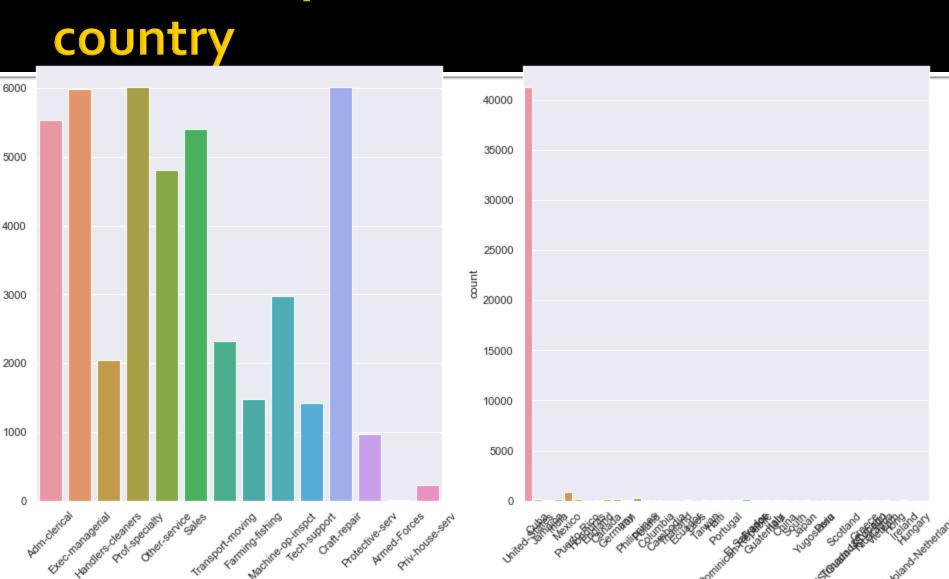


EDA: Capital gain and capital loss



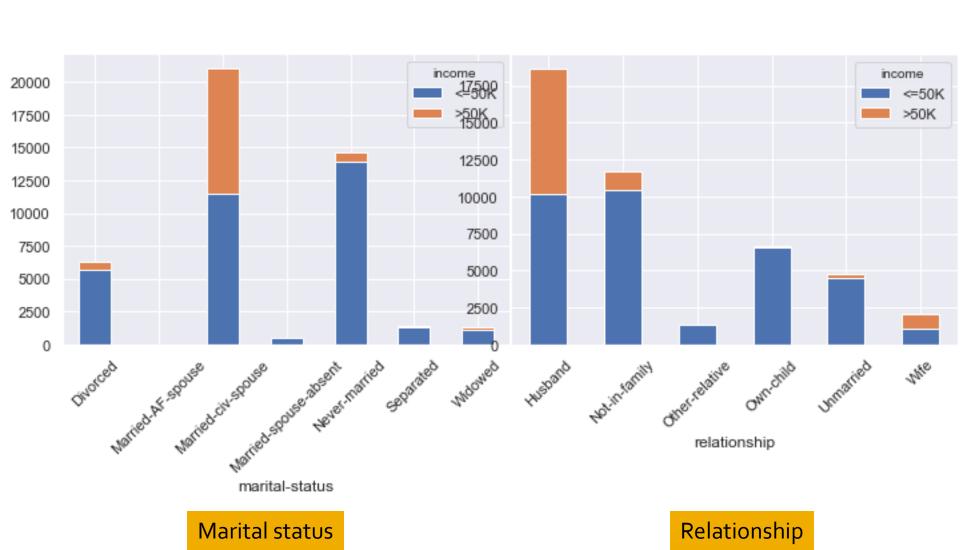
EDA: Occupation and native

occupation

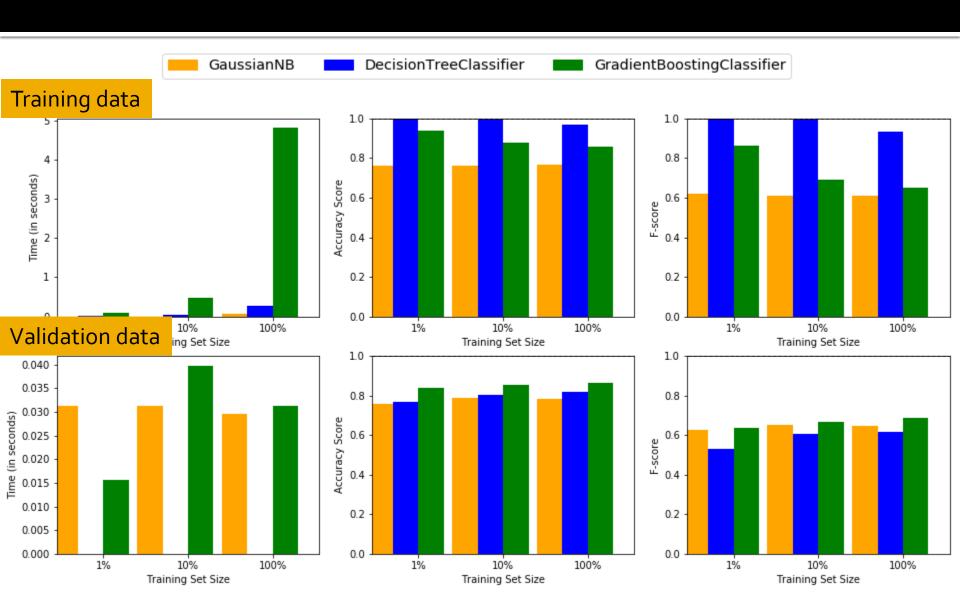


Occupation Native country

EDA: Marital status and relationship



Gradient Boosting is Selected



Feature Engineering

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Initial model with raw features

Education

Discard redundant feature education level

Capital

Combine capital gain and capital loss

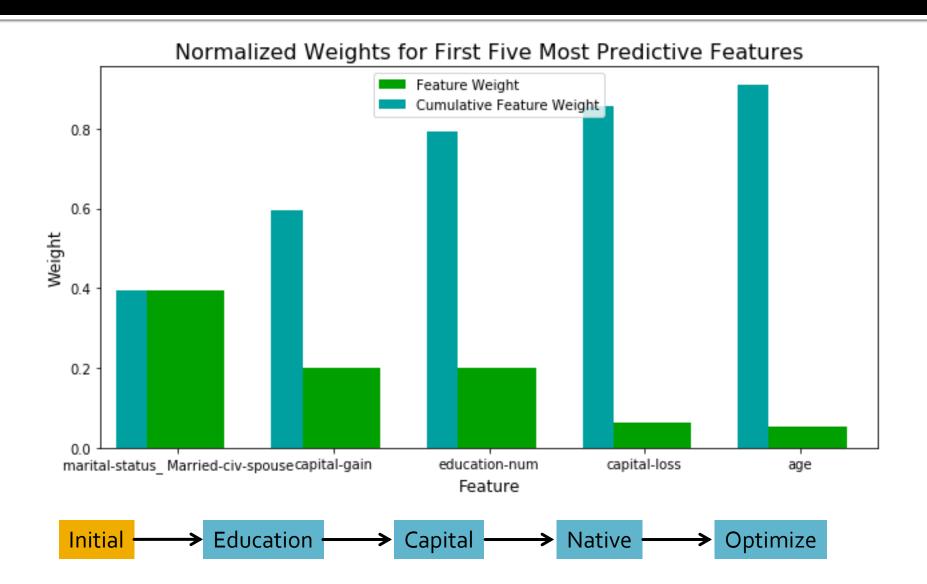
Native

Recode native country as U.S. and other

Optimize

Optimize hyper-parameters

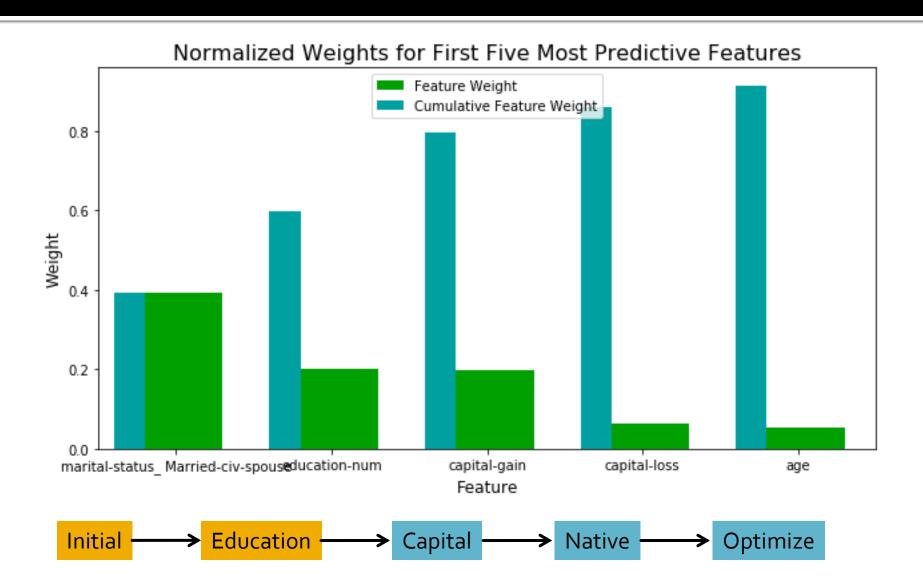
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Precision 0.7821
Recall 0.6073



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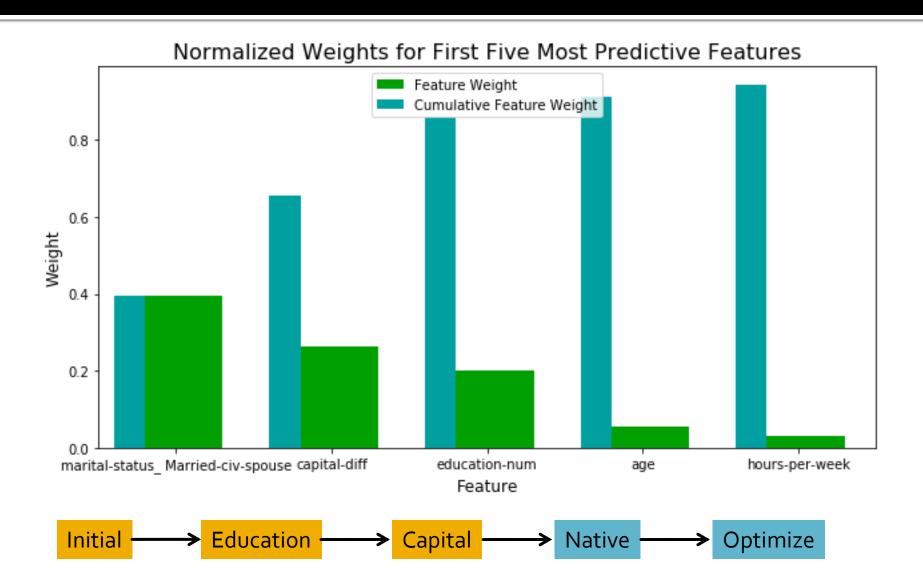
Recall 0.6091



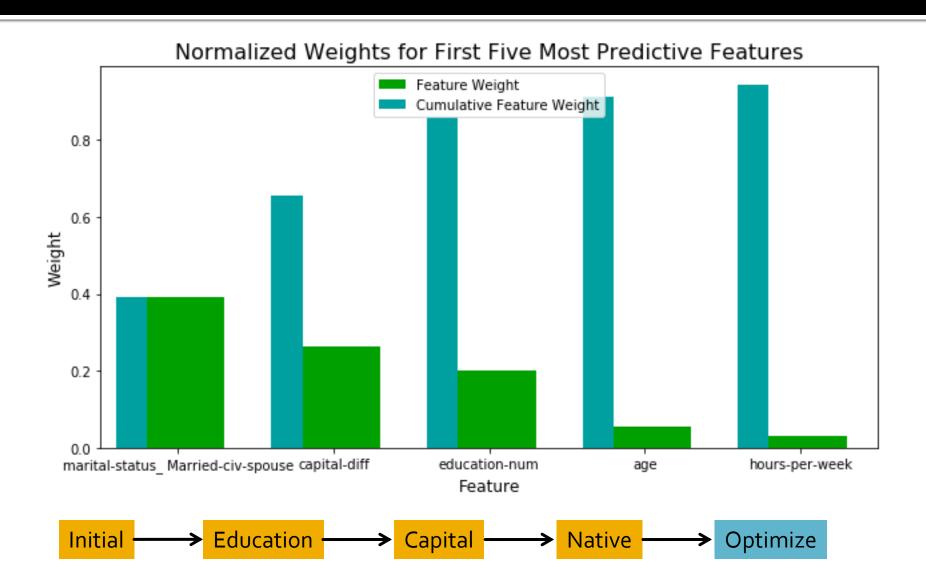
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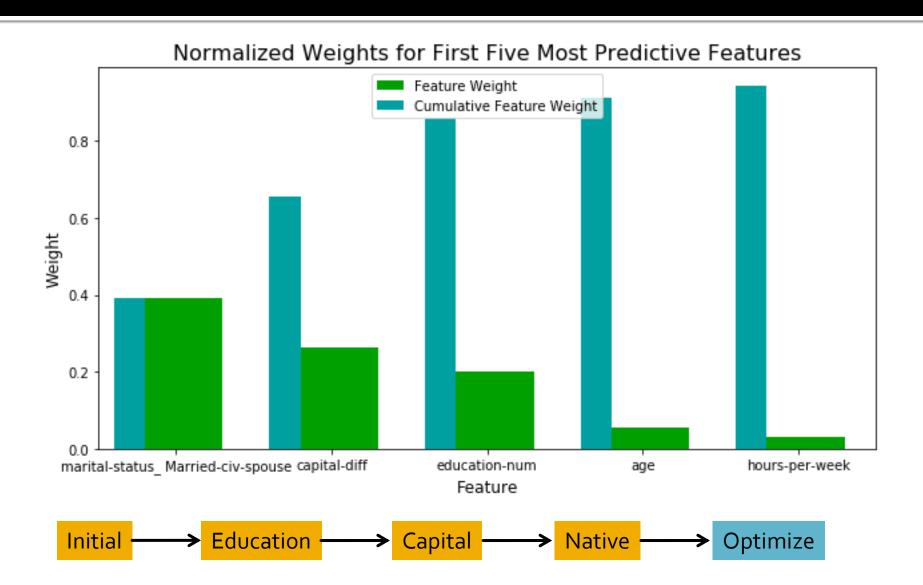
Recall 0.6091



Accuracy 0.8640
Precision 0.7849
Recall 0.6091



Accuracy	0.8714
Precision	0.7853
Recall	0.6503



Summary

- Gradient Boosting is selected over Gaussian Naïve Bayes and Decision Tree based on running time, accuracy, and F score.
- Model is improved/simplified progressively by feature engineering:
 - Discarding redundant feature
 - Combining capital gain & capital loss
 - Recoding native country