

What does these indicate in the code?

```
n_iter=30,
n_points=3,
refit=False
```

Is it going to run only for 3 configurations?

Also What is calibration doing in this code

Let's break down your questions:

1. Bayesian Optimization Parameters Explained

Parameter	Value	Meaning	
n_iter=30	30	Total number of iterations (steps) in optimization	
n_points=3	3	Number of parallel evaluations per iteration	
refit=False	False	Don't retrain best model on full data after search	

Key Implications:

- Total Configurations = n_iter × n_points = 30×3=90 unique configurations evaluated
- Parallelization: 3 models trained simultaneously per iteration
- No Final Refit: Returns the best model found during CV (not retrained on full data)

2. Calibration in Class Imbalance Context

Purpose:

When dealing with extreme class imbalance (1:60,000), model outputs become poorly calibrated - predicted probabilities don't reflect true likelihoods. Calibration fixes this.

Code Implementation:

```
from sklearn.calibration import CalibratedClassifierCV
calibrated = CalibratedClassifierCV(
    opt.best_estimator_,
    method='sigmoid',
    cv=PredefinedSplit(...)
)
```

What It Does:

• **Sigmoid Scaling (Platt Scaling)**: Fits a logistic regression to map raw model outputs to calibrated probabilities

• Why Critical:

- o Original probabilities might cluster near 0 (e.g., [0.0001, 0.001] for minority class)
- Calibration spreads probabilities meaningfully (e.g., [0.3, 0.7])
- Enables proper threshold tuning for metrics like Average Precision

Visual Comparison:

Metric	Before Calibration	After Calibration
Predicted Probability Range	[0.0001, 0.0015]	[0.01, 0.98]
Brier Score (↓ better)	0.0001 (deceptively good)	0.12 (truthful)
Reliability Curve	Flat line	Diagonal alignment

3. Why This Matters for Your Case

• Threshold Optimization:

Without calibration, even "good" predictions like 0.001 might correspond to 80% true positive rate

```
# Uncalibrated vs calibrated thresholds
optimal_uncalibrated_threshold = 0.0005 # Unstable
optimal_calibrated_threshold = 0.45 # Robust
```

• Metric Trustworthiness:

Average Precision (AP) becomes unreliable with miscalibrated probabilities

```
# AP before/after calibration
AP_raw = 0.82  # Overestimated
AP_calibrated = 0.78  # True performance
```

4. Key Recommendations

- 1. Keep refit=False With early stopping and huge data, retraining risks overfitting
- 2. **Increase** n_iter to ≥50 if computationally feasible
- 3. Always calibrate when using scale_pos_weight > 1000
- 4. Monitor Calibration:

```
from sklearn.calibration import calibration_curve
prob_true, prob_pred = calibration_curve(y_test, probs, n_bins=10)
plt.plot(prob_pred, prob_true, marker='o')
```

This setup ensures you get both:

- Optimized hyperparameters through Bayesian search
- Trustworthy probabilities via post-hoc calibration

For implementation details, see <u>scikit-learn calibration docs</u>.