PREDICTING H1N1 FLU VACCINATION STATUS USING MACHINE LEARNING

1. Business Understanding

1.1 Overview

In this project, the aim was to use data from the National Flu Survey (NHFS 2009) to predict whether respondents received the H1N1 vaccine. Understanding past vaccination trends is crucial for interpreting patterns in more recent pandemics, such as COVID-19. Key factors influencing vaccination status include Doctor recommendations for the H1N1 vaccine, health insurance, opinions on the vaccine's effectiveness and perceptions of the risk posed by H1N1. I employed six machine learning models for prediction:

- 1.Decision Tree Classifier
- 2.Logistic Regression
- 3.Random Forest
- 4.K-Nearest Neighbors Classifier
- 5.Gradient Boosting Classifier
- 6.XGBoost Classifier

Among these, the Gradient Boosting Classifier achieved the highest accuracy and precision.

1.2 Business Problem.

Vaccination stands as one of the most effective public health interventions ever implemented, leading to the elimination and control of diseases that were once widespread globally. Despite substantial medical evidence and the strong consensus among healthcare professionals supporting vaccination, skepticism has increased in many countries in recent years. This troubling trend has resulted in decreased immunization coverage, with several outbreaks of infectious diseases linked to undervaccinated communities. The growing issue of vaccine hesitancy has become so pervasive that it is now the subject of numerous studies aiming to understand the sources and correlations of attitudes toward vaccination.

This study aims to predict the likelihood of individuals receiving the H1N1 flu vaccine. We believe the predictive models and analyses from this study will provide public health professionals and policymakers with a clear understanding of the factors associated with low vaccination rates. This, in turn, will enable them to systematically address the barriers preventing people from getting vaccinated.

The methodologies employed in these models can serve as a reference for future work and can be compared with other models for performance evaluation. To accurately classify those who received the H1N1 flu shot from those who did not, we require models with high accuracy and high precision, which corresponds to a low false positive rate (those mistakenly identified as vaccinated when they were not). This will be further evaluated using the ROC curve, accuracy score, precision score, and confusion matrix.

Target Audience: Public health officials of the American Public Health Association (APHA)

OBJECTIVES:

- 1. Predicting who is vaccinated or not accurately.(Deliverable: Model)
- 2. Analyse the factors that influence people to get H1N1 vaccine or not. (Deliverable: Analysis)

Context:

- False negative: Saying people did not get the vaccine when they actually did.
- Outcome: Not a big problem
- False positive: Saying people got the vaccine when they actually did not.
- Outcome: Big problem

Evaluation: We will focus on accuracy, f1, and precision scores for our model iterations in order to minimize False Positives, because in our business context false positives are a much more costly mistake than false negatives.

- Accuracy
- Precision
- Recall
- F1-Score

2. Data Understanding

2.1 Importing the necessary libraries and exploring the data

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
# Libraries for model training
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from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler, MinMaxScaler, MaxAbsSca
from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline
from sklearn.compose import ColumnTransformer
from sklearn.impute import SimpleImputer
from sklearn.experimental import enable iterative imputer
from sklearn.impute import IterativeImputer
import category encoders as ce
from sklearn.model selection import train test split, GridSearchCV, cross
# Libraries for algorithm
from sklearn.dummy import DummyClassifier
from sklearn.linear model import LogisticRegression
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier, GradientBoostingClas
from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsClassifier
import xgboost
                  # extreme gradient boosting
# Libraries for testing
from sklearn.metrics import (
    accuracy score, precision score, recall score, f1 score, roc auc scor
    ConfusionMatrixDisplay,confusion matrix
# Removing warnings
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
# Storing plots
%matplotlib inline
# To visualize the 100 many the columns in data
pd.options.display.max columns=100
```

2.2 Load Dataset

This data comes from a NHFS National Flu Survey from 2009, which inquires about whether or not people received the seasonal flu and/or the H1N1 flu vaccination, as well as their demographic, behavioral, and health factors.

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In [ ]: # Reading in the data and previewing the dataset
Datal = pd.read_csv('DATA/H1N1_Flu_Vaccines.csv')
Datal.head(5)
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	26705	26705	1.0	1.0		0.0				
	26706	26706	0.0	0.0		0.0				
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	2.3 Checking the Dataset									
In []:	#Determining Datal.shape	the no. of	records in our	dataset						
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```
In []: #Determining the no. of records in our dataset
    Datal.shape

Out[]: (26707, 38)

In []: # Exploring the percentage breakdown of the two classes in one possible t
    Datal['seasonal_vaccine'].value_counts(normalize=True)

Out[]: seasonal_vaccine
    0    0.534392
    1    0.465608
    Name: proportion, dtype: float64

In []: # Exploring the percentage breakdown of the two classes in one possible t
    Datal['hln1_vaccine'].value_counts(normalize=True) # class imbalance pr

Out[]: hln1_vaccine
    0    0.787546
    1    0.212454
    Name: proportion, dtype: float64
```

```
In [ ]: # checking dataset information
    Datal.info()
```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 26707 entries, 0 to 26706
Data columns (total 38 columns):

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#
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                                26707 non-null int64
0
    respondent id
1
    h1n1 concern
                                26615 non-null float64
                                26591 non-null float64
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    h1n1 knowledge
    behavioral_antiviral_meds 26636 non-null float64
3
    behavioral avoidance 26499 non-null float64
                              26688 non-null float64
    behavioral face mask
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    behavioral_wash_hands 26665 non-null float64
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7
    behavioral large gatherings 26620 non-null float64
    behavioral_outside_home 26625 non-null float64
behavioral touch face 26579 non-null float64
8
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11 doctor recc seasonal
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13 child under 6 months
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14 health worker
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15 health insurance
16 opinion h1n1 vacc effective 26316 non-null float64
                                26319 non-null float64
17 opinion h1n1 risk
18 opinion h1n1 sick from vacc 26312 non-null float64
19 opinion seas vacc effective 26245 non-null float64
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20 opinion seas risk
21 opinion_seas_sick_from_vacc 26170 non-null float64
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23 education
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24 race
                                26707 non-null object
25 sex
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26 income poverty
                                22284 non-null object
27 marital_status
                                25299 non-null object
28 rent_or_own
                                24665 non-null object
29 employment_status
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                               26707 non-null object
30 hhs geo region
                              26707 non-null object
31 census msa
32 household adults
                              26458 non-null float64
                              26458 non-null float64
33 household children
34 employment_industry
                               13377 non-null object
35 employment_occupation
                                13237 non-null object
36 hln1 vaccine
                                26707 non-null int64
37 seasonal vaccine
                                26707 non-null int64
dtypes: float64(23), int64(3), object(12)
memory usage: 7.7+ MB
```

In []: Data1.dtypes

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Out[]: respondent id
                                           int64
        h1n1 concern
                                         float64
         h1n1 knowledge
                                         float64
         behavioral antiviral meds
                                         float64
         behavioral avoidance
                                         float64
         behavioral face mask
                                         float64
         behavioral wash hands
                                         float64
         behavioral_large_gatherings
                                         float64
         behavioral outside home
                                         float64
         behavioral touch face
                                         float64
         doctor_recc_h1n1
                                         float64
         doctor_recc_seasonal
                                         float64
         chronic_med_condition
                                         float64
         child under 6 months
                                         float64
         health worker
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         health insurance
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         opinion hlnl vacc effective
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         opinion seas sick from vacc
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         employment status
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         hhs geo region
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         census msa
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         employment_occupation
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         hlnl_vaccine
                                           int64
         seasonal vaccine
                                           int64
         dtype: object
```

In []: # Getting number of null values.
Datal.isna().sum()

```
Out[]: respondent id
                                             0
        h1n1 concern
                                            92
        h1n1 knowledge
                                           116
         behavioral antiviral meds
                                            71
         behavioral avoidance
                                           208
         behavioral face mask
                                            19
         behavioral wash hands
                                            42
         behavioral_large_gatherings
                                            87
         behavioral outside home
                                            82
         behavioral touch face
                                           128
         doctor_recc_h1n1
                                          2160
         doctor recc seasonal
                                          2160
         chronic_med_condition
                                           971
         child under 6 months
                                           820
         health worker
                                           804
         health insurance
                                         12274
         opinion hlnl vacc effective
                                           391
         opinion hlnl risk
                                           388
         opinion hln1 sick from vacc
                                           395
         opinion seas vacc effective
                                           462
         opinion seas risk
                                           514
         opinion seas sick from vacc
                                           537
         age group
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         education
                                          1407
                                             0
         race
         sex
                                             0
         income poverty
                                          4423
        marital status
                                          1408
         rent or own
                                          2042
         employment status
                                          1463
         hhs geo region
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         census msa
                                             0
         household adults
                                           249
         household children
                                           249
         employment_industry
                                         13330
         employment_occupation
                                         13470
         hlnl_vaccine
                                             0
         seasonal vaccine
                                             0
         dtype: int64
In [ ]: Data1.duplicated().sum()
Out[]: 0
```

In []: # Explore numerical columns
Datal.describe()

Out[]:		respondent_id	h1n1_co	ncern	h1n1_knd	wledge	behavio	al_antiviral_meds	s beha	
	count 26707.000000		26615.0	26615.000000		.000000		26636.000000		
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In []:		ore object c [c for c in		lumns	if Data	1[c].dty	rpe =='c	object']].desc	ribe()	
Out[]:		age_group e	ducation	гасе	sex	income_	poverty	marital_status	rent_o	
	count	26707	25300	26707	26707		22284	25299		
	unique	5	4	4	2		3	2		
	top	65+ Years	College Graduate	White	Female		\$75,000, Poverty	Married		
	freq	6843	10097	21222	15858		12777	13555		
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Observations

Upon initial exploration of the data, we've made several key observations:

- 1. There are 26,000 respondents to this survey.
- 2. There are 36 features.
- 3. There are lots of missing value so we need to impute them.
- 4. There no duplicates in dataset.

Further preprocessing is required to understand the relationships between different features.

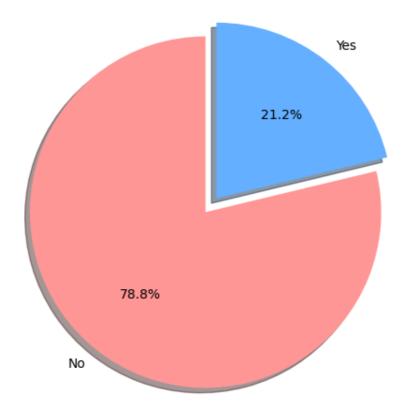
I decided to choose the H1N1 vaccination rate as our target variable, because so many of the features are related to H1N1 vaccination.

3. EXPLORATORY DATA ANALYSIS(EDA)

How many people got the H1N1 vaccine - from the given data set

```
In [ ]: ## for the H1N1 vaccine
fig1, ax1 = plt.subplots()
```

Less than 25% people received the H1N1 vaccine



Observation - There is a class imbalance in the adoption of the H1N1 vaccine. (less than 25% of the people chose to receive the H1N1 vaccine). This might help in future during the analysis. This class imbalance problem is what we want to deal with in this project.

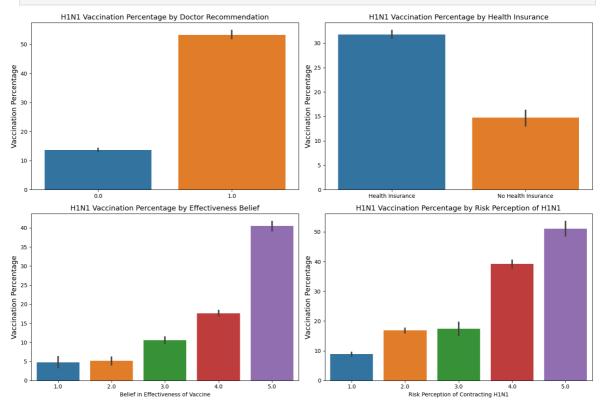
The following visualizations represent the top four most influential features in determining vaccination status for H1N1.

```
In []: # Making a copy of main dataframe to use for visualizations
    Data2 = Data1.copy()

In []: # Creating dictionary for mapping in order to create better names for x a
    ins_dict = {1: 'Health Insurance', 0: 'No Health Insurance'}
    # Creating the column that will be used to create clear x axis tick marks
    Data2['health_ins_words'] = Data2['health_insurance'].replace(ins_dict)

In []: def plot_bar(df, x_col, y_col, ax, xlabel, ylabel, title):
    """
    This function plots a bar chart on a given axis.
    """
    sns.barplot(x=df[x_col].dropna(), y=df[y_col]*100, ax=ax)
```

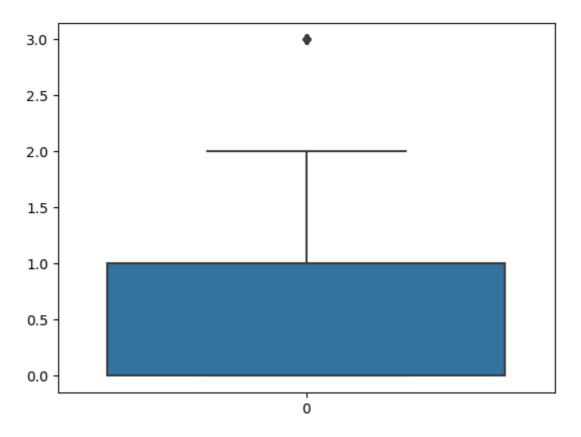
```
ax.set xlabel(xlabel)
    ax.set ylabel(ylabel, fontsize=13)
    ax.set title(title, fontsize=13)
def plot vaccination graphs(Data2):
    This function takes a dataframe and plots four bar charts in a 2x2 la
    showing the relationship between H1N1 vaccination and various factors
    # Making a copy of the main dataframe to use for visualizations
    Data2 = Data1.copy()
    # Creating dictionary for mapping in order to create better names for
    ins_dict = {1: 'Health Insurance', 0: 'No Health Insurance'}
    # Creating the column that will be used to create clear x axis tick m
    Data2['health ins words'] = Data2['health insurance'].replace(ins did
    # Setting up the 2x2 subplot layout
    fig, axs = plt.subplots(2, 2, figsize=(15, 10))
    # Plotting the individual bar charts
    plot_bar(Data2, 'doctor_recc_hln1', 'hln1_vaccine', axs[0, 0], '', 'V
    plot_bar(Data2, 'health_ins_words', 'h1n1_vaccine', axs[0, 1], '', 'V
    plot_bar(Data2, 'opinion_h1n1_vacc_effective', 'h1n1_vaccine', axs[1,
    plot_bar(Data2, 'opinion_hln1_risk', 'hln1_vaccine', axs[1, 1], 'Risk
    # Adjust layout
    plt.tight layout()
    plt.show()
# Call the function to plot the graphs
plot vaccination graphs(Data2)
```



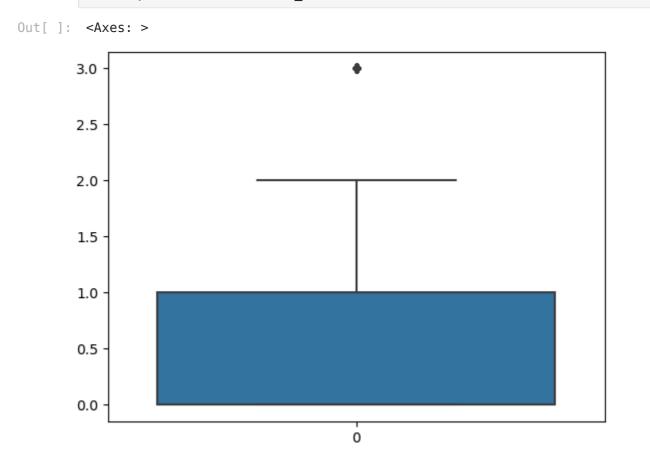
Observations:-

- 1. The plot "H1N1 Vaccination Percentage by Doctor Recommendation" shows a higher vaccination percentage among individuals who received a doctor's recommendation for the H1N1 vaccine compared to those who did not
- 2. The plot "H1N1 Vaccination Percentage by Health Insurance" might reveals a higher vaccination percentage among individuals with health insurance compared to those without it. This observation indicates that having health insurance could positively impact an individual's likelihood of getting vaccinated, possibly due to better access to healthcare services.
- 3. The plot "H1N1 Vaccination Percentage by Effectiveness Belief" probably indicates that individuals who believe in the effectiveness of the H1N1 vaccine have a higher vaccination percentage.
- 4. The plot "H1N1 Vaccination Percentage by Risk Perception of H1N1" is expected to show that individuals who perceive a higher risk of contracting H1N1 have a higher vaccination percentage.

```
In [ ]: # Function to find the outliers
        def findoutliers(column):
            outliers=[]
            Q1=column.guantile(.25)
            Q3=column.quantile(.75)
            IQR=Q3-Q1
            lower limit=Q1-(1.5*IQR)
            upper_limit=Q3+(1.5*IQR)
            for out1 in column:
                if out1>upper limit or out1 <lower limit:</pre>
                     outliers.append(out1)
             return np.array(outliers)
In [ ]:
        print(len(findoutliers(Data2.household adults)))
        print(len(findoutliers(Data2.household_children)))
       1125
       1747
In [ ]: # Visualising the outliers
        sns.boxplot(Data2.household_adults)
Out[]: <Axes: >
```



In []: sns.boxplot(Data2.household_children)



There are outliers in the dataset but we are not removing them as some algorithms are not sensitive to outliers

4. Data Preparation (Data Cleaning)

There were a few changes I made to the data set.

- 1. First, I dropped the "respondent_id" and "seasonal_vaccine" columns because they were not relevant for our purposes.
- 2. I also added columns due to categorical columns that we transformed with OneHotEncoder.
- 3. I also filled null values with Iterative Imputer, which was a better alternative to simple imputer for our dataset.
- 4. I replaced category names with frequency counts with CountEncoder for the columns which had more than 10 unique categories.
- 5. I used pipelines to make preprocessing and modelling more efficient, and also to prevent data leakage.
- 6. I also decided to split training and testing data twice so that we could have a holdout set to test our final model's generalizability at the end.

```
In [ ]: # Define our X and y
X = Datal.drop(columns = ['respondent_id', 'hln1_vaccine', 'seasonal_vacc
y = Datal['hln1_vaccine']
```

I chose 80%, 20% for train and validation. Also set the random seed to 42 and stratify=y.

Using stratify=y ensures that the holdout set has a similar distribution of classes as the original dataset, which is particularly important when dealing with imbalanced datasets to ensure that the model's evaluation is fair and representative.

4.1 Train-Test Split

I decided to split training and testing data twice so that we could have a holdout set to test our final model's generalizability at the end.

```
In [ ]: # Train - Holdout Set Split
X_train, X_hold, y_train, y_hold = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2,
In [ ]: X_train.head()
```

Out[]:		h1n1_concern	h1n1_knowledge	behavioral_antiviral_meds	behavioral_avoidanc
	20417	1.0	2.0	0.0	1.
	13969	2.0	2.0	0.0	1.
	24930	2.0	2.0	0.0	1.
	15420	2.0	1.0	0.0	0.
	10998	2.0	1.0	0.0	0.
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We used the stratify argument for y (our target) in both splits to help deal with the class imbalance problem.

```
In [ ]: # Regular Train Test Split
        X_tr, X_te, y_tr, y_te = train_test_split(X_train, y_train, test_size=0.2
In [ ]: # Set up lists for each columns datatypes
        num cols = []
        ohe cols = []
        freq_cols = []
        for c in X.columns:
            if X[c].dtype in ['float64', 'int64']:
                num cols.append(c)
            elif X[c].nunique() < 10:</pre>
                ohe_cols.append(c)
            else:
                freq_cols.append(c)
In [ ]: # We wanted to see each column category
        print(f'Numerical Columns:', num_cols)
        print('\n')
        print(f'Object Columns (with less than 10 unique values):', ohe cols)
        print('\n')
        print(f'Object Columns (with more than 10 unique values):', freq_cols)
```

Numerical Columns: ['hln1_concern', 'hln1_knowledge', 'behavioral_antivira l_meds', 'behavioral_avoidance', 'behavioral_face_mask', 'behavioral_wash_hands', 'behavioral_large_gatherings', 'behavioral_outside_home', 'behavio ral_touch_face', 'doctor_recc_hln1', 'doctor_recc_seasonal', 'chronic_med_condition', 'child_under_6_months', 'health_worker', 'health_insurance', 'opinion_hln1_vacc_effective', 'opinion_hln1_risk', 'opinion_hln1_sick_from_vacc', 'opinion_seas_vacc_effective', 'opinion_seas_risk', 'opinion_seas_sick_from_vacc', 'household_adults', 'household_children']

Object Columns (with less than 10 unique values): ['age_group', 'educatio n', 'race', 'sex', 'income_poverty', 'marital_status', 'rent_or_own', 'emp loyment_status', 'census_msa']

Object Columns (with more than 10 unique values): ['hhs_geo_region', 'employment_industry', 'employment_occupation']

In []: # Preprocessor defined using ColumnTransformer by packaging the all compon
preprocessor = ColumnTransformer(
 transformers=[
 ('num', num_transformer, num_cols),
 ('ohe', ohe_transformer, ohe_cols),
 ('freq', freq_transformer, freq_cols)
])

In []: # Fitting preprocessor to see the components as a whole to the training s
preprocessor.fit(X_tr)

```
Out[]:

num

ohe

freq

CountEncoder

SimpleImputer

MinMaxScaler

OneHotEncoder

IterativeImput
```

```
In [ ]: # Let'see what this looks like after the preprocessor transformation
    X_tr_transformed = preprocessor.transform(X_tr)
    X_tr_transformed.shape
```

Out[]: (17092, 59)

The number of features increase from 36 to 59 while the no of rows reduce from 26707 to 17092.

In []:	<pre># Visualize it with Pandas dataframe pd.DataFrame(X_tr_transformed).head()</pre>										
Out[]:		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	0	1.000000	0.5	0.008339	0.000000	1.000000	0.884731	1.0	1.000000	1.0	1.000000
	1	0.666667	1.0	0.008339	0.966636	0.038403	0.884731	0.0	0.020289	1.0	1.000000
	2	0.000000	0.5	0.008339	0.966636	0.038403	0.884731	0.0	0.020289	1.0	1.000000
	3	0.666667	1.0	0.008339	0.966636	0.038403	0.884731	0.0	0.020289	1.0	0.137273
	4	0.666667	1.0	0.008339	0.966636	0.038403	0.884731	1.0	1.000000	1.0	0.137273
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Modeling

I wanted to use a variety of different models so as to find the most accurate model.

Because there are many different hyperparameters for each model and I did not know the optimal combinations, we used GridSearrchCV to find the best combinations for each model. I specified class weight to be balanced in order to address the class imbalance issue for our models, whenever possible. I also analyzed the accuracy score, precision score, fl score, and roc-auc curve for each model.

I also compared the different roc-auc curves of each model, to choose the final model. Additionally, I looked closely at the confusion matrix to see whether or not we were minimizing false positives. Gradient Boosting Classifier gave us the best accuracy and precision scores, so we chose it to be our final model.

We will use this function to evaluate the performance of our models:

```
In [ ]: def evaluate(estimator, X_tr, X_te, y_tr, y_te, roc_auc='skip'):
    """
    Evaluation function to show a few scores for both the train and test
    Also shows a confusion matrix for the test set.

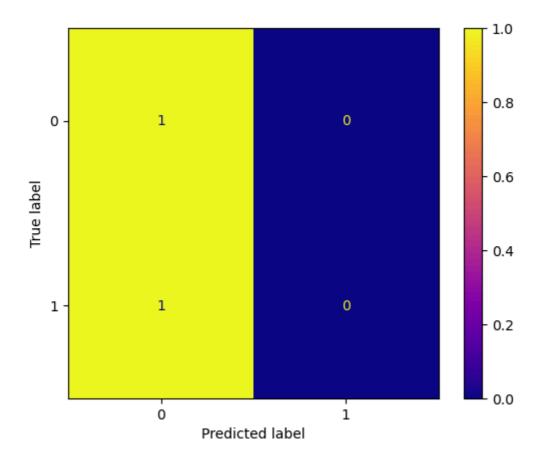
Parameters:
    estimator : a fit sklearn-style model or pipeline
    X_tr : array or pandas DataFrame
        Training input variables
    X_te : array or pandas DataFrame
        Testing input variables
    y_tr : array or pandas Series
        Training output variable
```

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y_te : array or pandas Series
   Testing output variable
roc auc : str
    'skip': default, skips calculating roc auc
    'dec': use decision function to calculate roc auc
    'proba': use predict proba to calculate roc auc
# Grab predictions
tr preds = estimator.predict(X tr)
te preds = estimator.predict(X te)
# Output needed for roc auc score
if roc auc == 'skip': # skips calculating the roc auc score
   train out = False
   test out = False
elif roc auc == 'dec':
    train out = estimator.decision function(X tr)
    test out = estimator.decision function(X te)
elif roc auc == 'proba':
    train out = estimator.predict proba(X tr)[:, 1] # proba for the 1
    test_out = estimator.predict_proba(X_te)[:, 1]
else:
    raise ValueError("The value for roc auc should be 'skip', 'dec' o
# Print training scores
print("Training Scores:")
print(f"Train Accuracy: {accuracy_score(y_tr, tr preds)}")
print(f"Train Precision: {precision score(y tr, tr preds)}")
print(f"Train Recall: {recall score(y tr, tr preds)}")
print(f"Train F1-Score: {f1 score(y tr, tr preds)}")
if isinstance(train out, np.ndarray): # checking for roc auc
    print(f"Train ROC-AUC: {roc auc score(y tr, train out)}")
print("*" * 10)
# Print testing scores
print("Testing Scores:")
print(f"Test Accuracy: {accuracy_score(y_te, te_preds)}")
print(f"Test Precision: {precision_score(y_te, te_preds)}")
print(f"Test Recall: {recall score(y te, te preds)}")
print(f"Test F1-Score: {f1 score(y te, te preds)}")
if isinstance(test out, np.ndarray): # checking for roc auc
    print(f"Test ROC-AUC: {roc_auc_score(y_te, test_out)}")
# Plot confusion matrix for test set
ConfusionMatrixDisplay.from estimator(estimator, X te, y te, cmap="pl
plt.show()
```

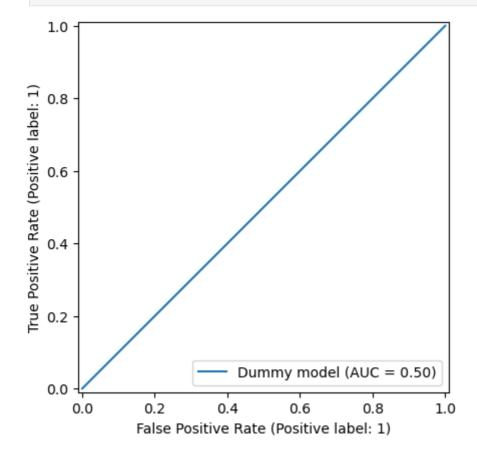
Baseline Understanding

- To be able to truly understand and then improve our model's performance, we first need to establish a baseline for the data that we have
- Let's use DummyClassifier to make prediction based on the most frequent class in the target variable, which is 0 in our case.

```
In [ ]: # Setting the up the dummy model to go through the pipeline
        dummy model = Pipeline(steps=[
            ('preprocessor', preprocessor),
            ('classifier', DummyClassifier(strategy="most frequent"))
        ])
        # Fitting the dummy model
In [ ]:
        dummy_model.fit(X_tr, y_tr)
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                                            SimpleImputer
                 IterativeImputer
                 MinMaxScaler
                                                                    IterativeImp
                                            OneHotEncoder
                                          DummyClassifier
In [ ]: # Evaluate dummy model using the evaluate function created above
        evaluate(dummy model, X tr, X te, y tr, y te, roc auc='skip')
       Training Scores:
       Train Accuracy: 0.7875614322490054
       Train Precision: 0.0
       Train Recall: 0.0
       Train F1-Score: 0.0
       ******
       Testing Scores:
       Test Accuracy: 0.7875029253451907
       Test Precision: 0.0
       Test Recall: 0.0
       Test F1-Score: 0.0
```



In []: # Plotting the ROC-AUC curve for the dummy model using from_estimator met
RocCurveDisplay.from_estimator(dummy_model, X_te, y_te, name='Dummy model
plt.show()



So, the mean of the accuracy score is a little over 78% if we always guess the majority class, which is 0 in this case.

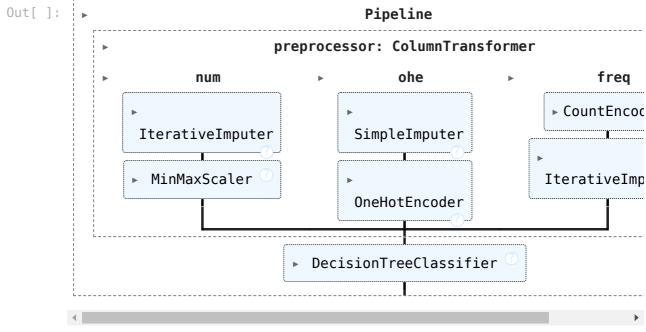
Modeling Iterations

Now we will start to iterate over multiple models!

MODEL 1: Decision Tree Classifier

In []: # Setting up the DecisionTreeClassifier to go though the pipeline

```
dtc = Pipeline(steps=[
            ('preprocessor', preprocessor),
            ('classifier', DecisionTreeClassifier())
        ])
       cross_validate(dtc, X_tr, y_tr, return_train_score=True)
Out[]: {'fit time': array([7.42701888, 5.89880443, 5.00161982, 8.07086277, 3.17
        024493]),
          'score time': array([0.18780661, 0.08220649, 0.12744069, 0.08681822, 0.
         0756011 ]),
          'test score': array([0.77127815, 0.7739105 , 0.77589233, 0.77940316, 0.
         78730252]),
          'train_score': array([1., 1., 1., 1., 1.])}
        We see that, we have overfitting problem with DecisionTreeClassifier()!
In [ ]: # Let's do GridSearchCV
        param grid = {
            "classifier__max_depth": [1, 2, 5],
            "classifier__min_samples_split": [2, 10],
            "classifier class weight": ['balanced', None] # we have class-imba
        }
        # Setup GridSearchCV with multiple scoring metrics
        grid = GridSearchCV(dtc,
                             param_grid,
                             scoring=['f1','precision'],
                             refit = 'f1')
        # Fit GridSearchCV
        output_dtc = grid.fit(X_tr, y_tr)
        print(output_dtc.best_params_)
        best model dtc=output dtc.best estimator
       {'classifier__class_weight': 'balanced', 'classifier__max_depth': 5, 'clas
       sifier min samples split': 10}
In [ ]: #Fit the model using the best parameters
        best model dtc.fit(X tr, y tr)
```



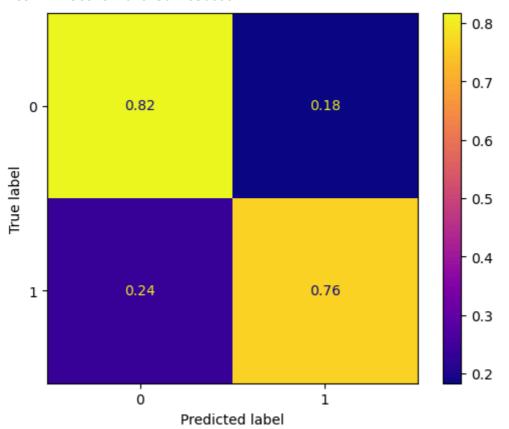
In []: # Evaluating the decision tree model for various metrics
 evaluate(best_model_dtc, X_tr, X_te, y_tr, y_te, roc_auc='skip')

Training Scores:

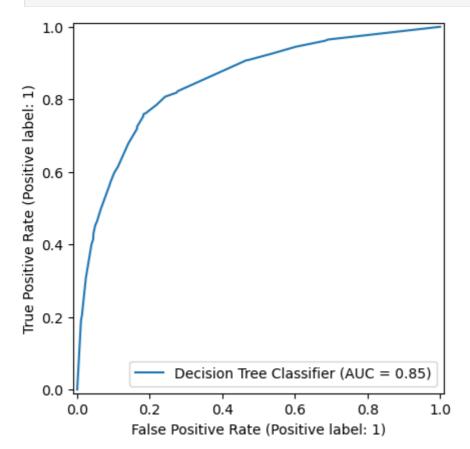
Train Accuracy: 0.794640767610578
Train Precision: 0.5115303983228512
Train Recall: 0.7391903057009088
Train F1-Score: 0.6046406848389276

Testing Scores:

Test Accuracy: 0.8045869412590686 Test Precision: 0.5279265493496557 Test Recall: 0.7599118942731278 Test F1-Score: 0.6230248306997742



In []: # Plotting the ROC-AUC curve for the dummy model using from_estimator met
RocCurveDisplay.from_estimator(best_model_dtc, X_te, y_te, name='Decision
plt.show()

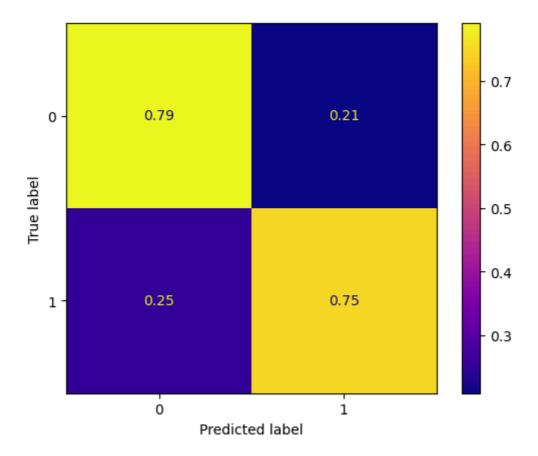


This decision tree model is not overfitting, but we have a low precision score, as well as a low f1 score. However, the AUC for this model is 0.85, which is fairly high, meaning that it does an adequate job of maximizing true positives and minimizing the false positives. This model is not overfitting.

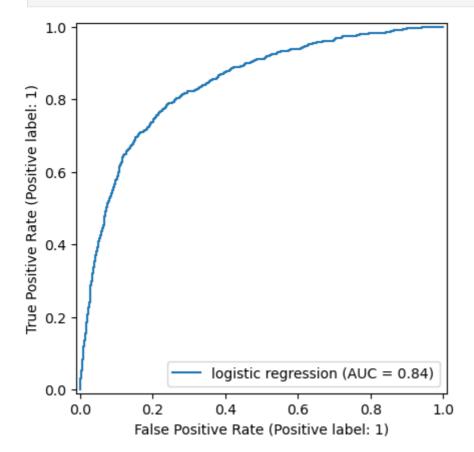
MODEL 2: Logistic Regression

```
# Define your pipeline with preprocessing and classifier
        logreg = Pipeline(steps=[
            ('preprocessor', preprocessor),
            ('classifier', LogisticRegression(max_iter=500, random_state=42))
        ])
In [ ]:
       cross_validate(logreg, X_tr, y_tr, return_train_score=True)
        {'fit_time': array([4.93650317, 3.53602052, 2.53369737, 2.54796076, 2.62
Out[]:
        2248891),
          'score time': array([0.07737327, 0.0631144 , 0.07117891, 0.0715673 , 0.
        0787549 ]),
          'test_score': array([0.83533197, 0.83503949, 0.82562902, 0.82709187, 0.
        83762434]),
          'train_score': array([0.83346742, 0.83346742, 0.83516162, 0.83618546,
         0.83282141])}
In [ ]:
        # Define your grid for GridSearchCV
        param grid = {
```

```
"classifier solver": ['lbfgs', 'liblinear', 'newton-cg', 'saga'],
            "classifier C" : [1, 0.1, 0.01], # regularization parameter
            "classifier__class_weight": ['balanced', None]
        # Setup GridSearchCV with multiple scoring metrics
        grid = GridSearchCV(logreg,
                            param grid,
                            scoring=['f1','precision'],
                            refit = 'f1'
        # Fit GridSearchCV
        output logreg = grid.fit(X tr, y tr)
        #print the best parameters for the model
        print(output logreg.best params )
        # Retrieve the best estimator from GridSearchCV
        best model logreg=output logreg.best estimator
       {'classifier C': 1, 'classifier class weight': 'balanced', 'classifier
       solver': 'saga'}
In [ ]: #Fit the best model to the training data
        best model logreg.fit(X tr, y tr)
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                 IterativeImputer
                                            SimpleImputer
                 MinMaxScaler
                                                                    IterativeImp
                                            OneHotEncoder
                                      LogisticRegression
In [ ]: # Evaluating the logistic regression for various metrics
        evaluate(best_model_logreg, X_tr, X_te, y_tr, y_te)
       Training Scores:
       Train Accuracy: 0.7753334893517435
       Train Precision: 0.48130924700411376
       Train Recall: 0.7411181492701735
       Train F1-Score: 0.5836044242029929
       ******
       Testing Scores:
       Test Accuracy: 0.7825883454247601
       Test Precision: 0.4924187725631769
       Test Recall: 0.751101321585903
       Test F1-Score: 0.5948539031836023
```



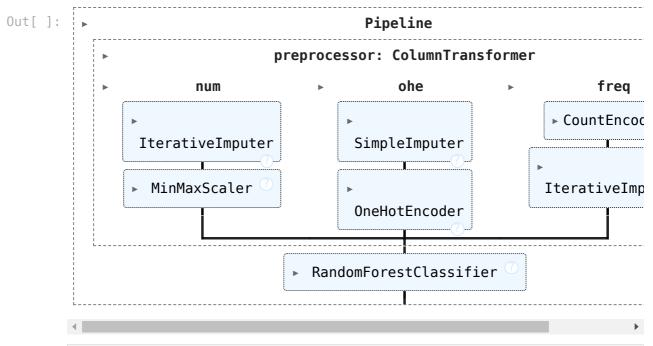
In []: RocCurveDisplay.from_estimator(best_model_logreg, X_te, y_te, name='logis
 plt.show()



This logistic regression model has low precision and fl scores, and has an AUC almost equal to the decision tree AUC above. This model is not overfitting.

MODEL 3: Random Forest

```
In [ ]: # Setting up the RandomForestClassifier to go through the pipeline
        rfc = Pipeline(steps=[
            ('preprocessor', preprocessor),
            ('classifier', RandomForestClassifier(random state=42))
        ])
       cross validate(rfc, X tr, y tr, return train score=True)
Out[]: {'fit time': array([5.17897797, 3.82426238, 3.97011614, 3.95122027, 4.16
        435409]),
         'score time': array([0.12792277, 0.12009501, 0.12692761, 0.12853265, 0.
        12861967]),
          'test score': array([0.85171103, 0.84907868, 0.84669397, 0.84698654, 0.
        85225278]),
         'train score': array([1. , 1. , 1. , 1.
        0.99985374])}
In [ ]: # Let's do GridSearchCV
        param grid = {
            "classifier n estimators": [100, 200],
            "classifier _max_depth" : [2, 5],
            "classifier__min_samples_leaf": [1, 2],
            "classifier class weight" :['balanced', 'balanced subsample']
            # class weight should be balanced or balanced subsample - we have imb
        }
        #Setup GridSearchCV with multiple scoring metrics
        grid = GridSearchCV(rfc,
                            param grid,
                            scoring=['f1','precision'],
                            refit = 'f1'
        # Fit GridSearchCV
        output rfc = grid.fit(X tr, y tr)
        #Print the best parameters for the model
        print(output_rfc.best_params_)
        # Retrieve the best estimator from GridSearchCV
        best model rfc=output rfc.best estimator
       {'classifier class weight': 'balanced subsample', 'classifier max dept
       h': 5, 'classifier min samples leaf': 1, 'classifier n estimators': 100}
In [ ]: #Fit the best parameters to the training data
        output rfc.best estimator .fit(X tr, y tr)
```



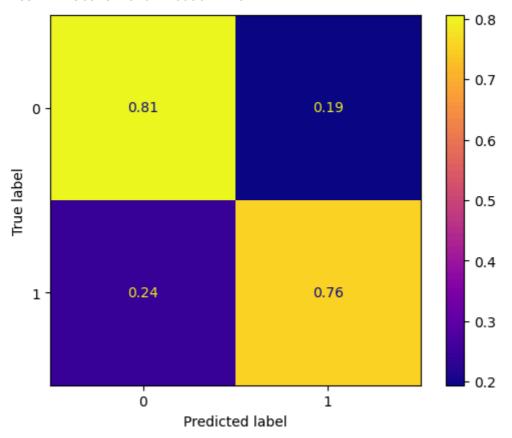
In []: # Evaluating various metrics of the random forest classifier
 evaluate(best_model_rfc, X_tr, X_te, y_tr, y_te)

Training Scores:

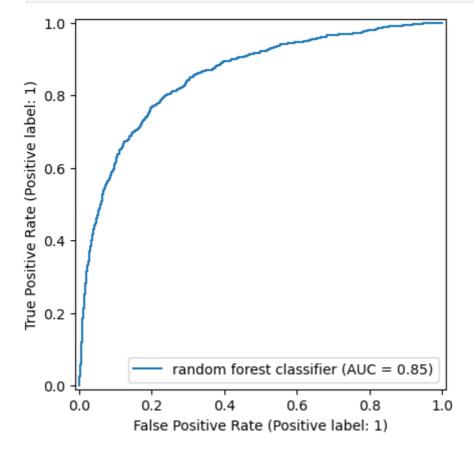
Train Accuracy: 0.7930610812075825 Train Precision: 0.5088612368024132 Train Recall: 0.7433213990636188 Train F1-Score: 0.604141018466704

Testing Scores:

Test Accuracy: 0.7954598642639832 Test Precision: 0.5126865671641792 Test Recall: 0.7566079295154186 Test F1-Score: 0.6112099644128114



```
In [ ]: RocCurveDisplay.from_estimator(best_model_rfc, X_te, y_te, name='random f
    plt.show()
```

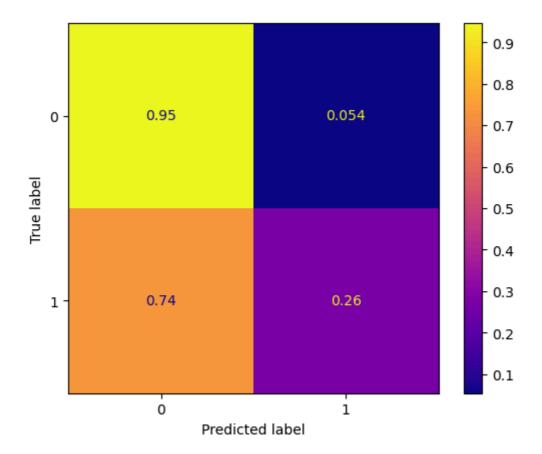


This random forest classifier model also has low precision and fl scores. It has an AUC score of 0.85, which is slightly better than the decision tree model above. This model is not overfitting to a great extent.

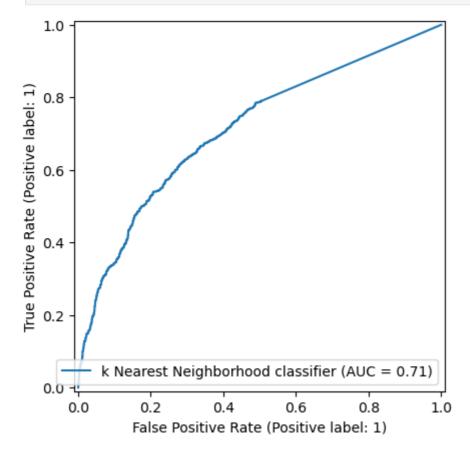
MODEL 4: kNN Classifier

```
kNN = Pipeline(steps=[
In [ ]:
            ('preprocessor', preprocessor),
            ('classifier', KNeighborsClassifier())
        ])
        cross_validate(kNN, X_tr, y_tr, return_train_score=True)
In [ ]:
Out[]: {'fit time': array([4.47753859, 2.20786595, 2.81130219, 2.70128775, 2.59
        4477891),
          'score_time': array([0.18522739, 0.15040016, 0.15812731, 0.16451311, 0.
         19717407]),
          'test_score': array([0.78911963, 0.79584674, 0.79256875, 0.79286132, 0.
        79724985]),
          'train score': array([0.83924523, 0.84056169, 0.84320608, 0.84050022,
        0.840646481)}
In [ ]: # Define your grid for RandomizedSearchCV
        param_grid = {
            "classifier__n_neighbors": [5, 10],
            "classifier_weights" : ['uniform', 'distance'],
            "classifier__p": [1, 2, 3],
```

```
# Setup GridSearchCV with multiple scoring metrics
        grid = GridSearchCV(kNN,
                            param grid,
                            scoring=['f1','precision'],
                            refit = 'f1')
        #fit the GridSearchCV
        output kNN = grid.fit(X tr, y tr)
        #Print the best parameters for the model
        print(output kNN.best params )
        # Retrieve the best estimator from GridSearchCV
        best model KNN =output kNN.best estimator
       {'classifier__n_neighbors': 5, 'classifier__p': 1, 'classifier__weights':
       'distance'}
        output kNN.best estimator .fit(X tr, y tr)
In [ ]:
Out[]:
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                 IterativeImputer
                                            SimpleImputer
                 MinMaxScaler
                                                                     IterativeImp
                                            OneHotEncoder
                                       KNeighborsClassifier
In [ ]: # evaluating the KNN model for various metrics
        evaluate(best_model_KNN, X_tr, X_te, y_tr, y_te)
       Training Scores:
       Train Accuracy: 1.0
       Train Precision: 1.0
       Train Recall: 1.0
       Train F1-Score: 1.0
       ******
       Testing Scores:
       Test Accuracy: 0.8013105546454482
       Test Precision: 0.5700712589073634
       Test Recall: 0.2643171806167401
       Test F1-Score: 0.3611738148984199
```



In []: # Plotting the roc-auc curve for the KNN model
RocCurveDisplay.from_estimator(best_model_KNN, X_te, y_te, name='k Neares
plt.show()

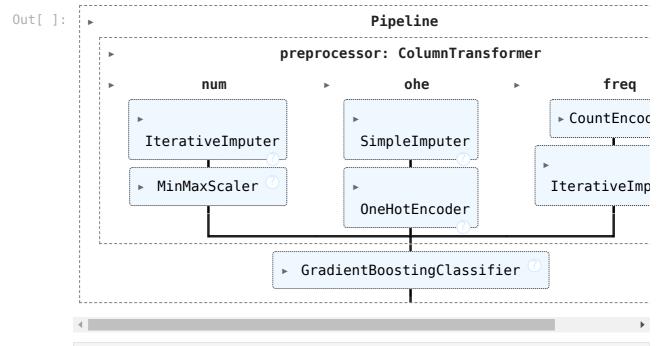


This KNN model is definitely overfitting; the training data has perfect scores for all metrics, whereas the testing data scores are much lower. The AUC score is also much

lower than on previous models.

MODEL 5: Gradient Boosting Classifier

```
In [ ]: gbc = Pipeline(steps=[
            ('preprocessor', preprocessor),
            ('classifier', GradientBoostingClassifier(random state=42))
        ])
In [ ]: cross validate(qbc, X tr, y tr, return train score=True)
Out[]: {'fit_time': array([6.09436631, 5.15299273, 5.54063416, 5.6029582 , 5.42
        427301]),
          'score time': array([0.0781045 , 0.07004285, 0.08713555, 0.07730174, 0.
        07750106]),
         'test score': array([0.85288096, 0.85434338, 0.85225278, 0.85137507, 0.
        85868929]),
          'train score': array([0.86338038, 0.86506253, 0.86192775, 0.86302472,
        0.86295159])}
In [ ]: # Let's do GridSearchCV
        param grid = {
            "classifier n_estimators": [100, 200],
            "classifier__max_depth" : [1, 2, 5],
            "classifier learning rate": [1, 0.1, 0.01],
        }
        # Setup GridSearchCV with multiple scoring metrics
        grid = GridSearchCV(gbc,
                            param grid,
                            scoring=['f1','precision'],
                            refit = 'f1') # 2*3*3*5 for CV
        # Fit GridSearchCV
        output_gbc = grid.fit(X_tr, y_tr)
        # Print the best parameters found by GridSearchCV
        print("Best parameters found: ", output_gbc.best_params_)
        # Retrieve the best estimator from GridSearchCV
        best model gbc = output gbc.best estimator
       Best parameters found: {'classifier learning rate': 1, 'classifier max
       depth': 2, 'classifier n estimators': 100}
In [ ]: # Fit the best estimator on the training data
        best model gbc.fit(X tr, y tr)
```



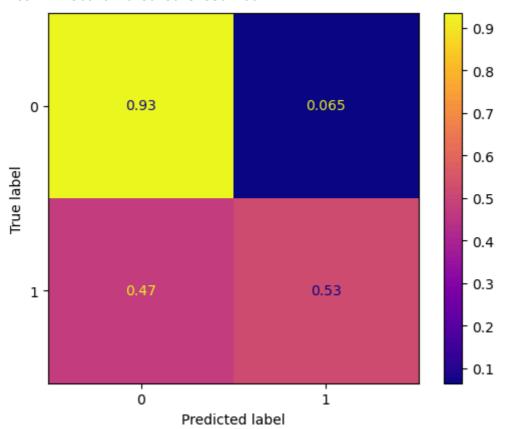
In []: # Evaluate the best model using the evaluate function
 evaluate(best_model_gbc, X_tr, X_te, y_tr, y_te)

Training Scores:

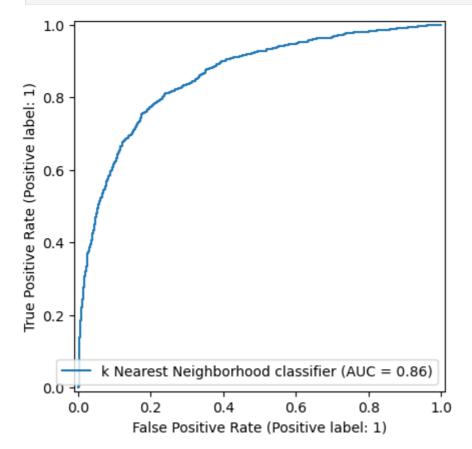
Train Accuracy: 0.8706412356658085 Train Precision: 0.772239263803681 Train Recall: 0.5546681354998623 Train F1-Score: 0.6456162846610034

Testing Scores:

Test Accuracy: 0.847648022466651 Test Precision: 0.6843615494978479 Test Recall: 0.525330396475771 Test F1-Score: 0.594392523364486



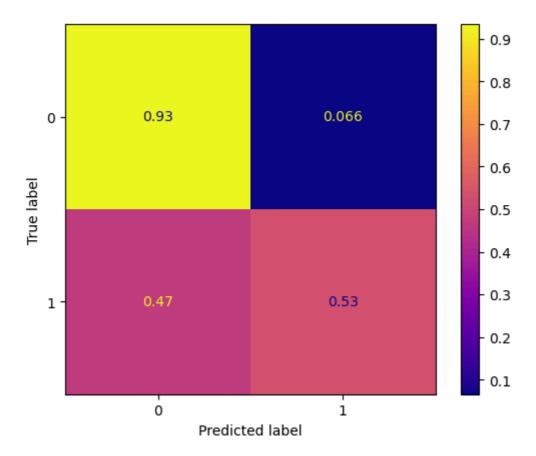
```
In [ ]: # Plotting the roc-auc curve for the KNN model
RocCurveDisplay.from_estimator(best_model_gbc, X_te, y_te, name='k Neares
plt.show()
```



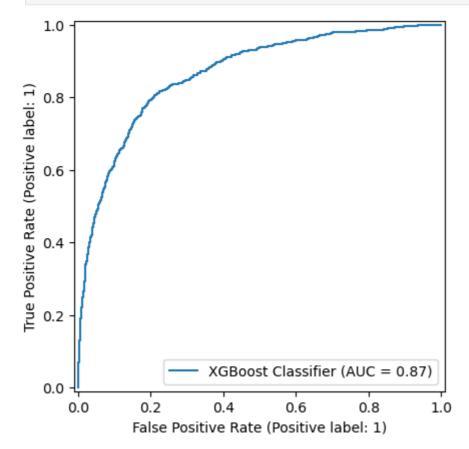
MODEL 6: XG Boosting Classifier

```
In [ ]: xgb = Pipeline(steps=[
            ('preprocessor', preprocessor),
            ('classifier', xgboost.XGBClassifier(random state=42))
        ])
       cross_validate(xgb, X_tr, y_tr, return_train_score=True)
Out[]: {'fit_time': array([5.63627338, 2.99075842, 3.72523427, 3.32572556, 3.25
        2378461),
          'score_time': array([0.09734845, 0.06626916, 0.08217311, 0.08071756, 0.
        07704997]),
          'test score': array([0.84235156, 0.84586136, 0.84435342, 0.84669397, 0.
        85342305]),
          train_score': array([0.95370438, 0.95260733, 0.95443908, 0.9510019 ,
        0.95575545])}
In [ ]: # Let's do GridSearchCV
        param grid = {
            "classifier__n_estimators": [100, 200],
            "classifier max depth" : [1, 2],
            "classifier__learning_rate": [1, 0.1],
        }
        # Setup GridSearchCV with multiple scoring metrics
        grid = GridSearchCV(xgb,
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```
param grid,
                            scoring=['f1','precision'],
                            refit = 'f1')
        # Fit GridSearchCV
        output xgb = grid.fit(X_tr, y_tr)
        #Print the best parameters of the model
        print(output xgb.best params )
        # Retrieve the best estimator from GridSearchCV
        best model xgb=output xgb.best estimator
       {'classifier learning rate': 1, 'classifier max depth': 2, 'classifier
       n estimators': 100}
In [ ]: c#Fit the best model to our training data
        best_model_xgb.fit(X_tr ,y_tr)
Out[]:
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                IterativeImputer
                                            SimpleImputer
                 MinMaxScaler
                                                                    IterativeImp
                                            OneHotEncoder
                                           ▶ XGBClassifier
In [ ]: # Evaluate the best model using the evaluate function
        evaluate(best_model_xgb, X_tr, X_te, y_tr, y_te)
       Training Scores:
       Train Accuracy: 0.8670138076293002
       Train Precision: 0.754688672168042
       Train Recall: 0.554117323051501
       Train F1-Score: 0.6390344608543751
       ******
       Testing Scores:
       Test Accuracy: 0.8481160776971682
       Test Precision: 0.6842105263157895
       Test Recall: 0.5297356828193832
       Test F1-Score: 0.5971446306641838
```



In []: # Plotting the roc-auc curve for the XGB model
RocCurveDisplay.from_estimator(best_model_xgb, X_te, y_te, name='XGBoost
plt.show()

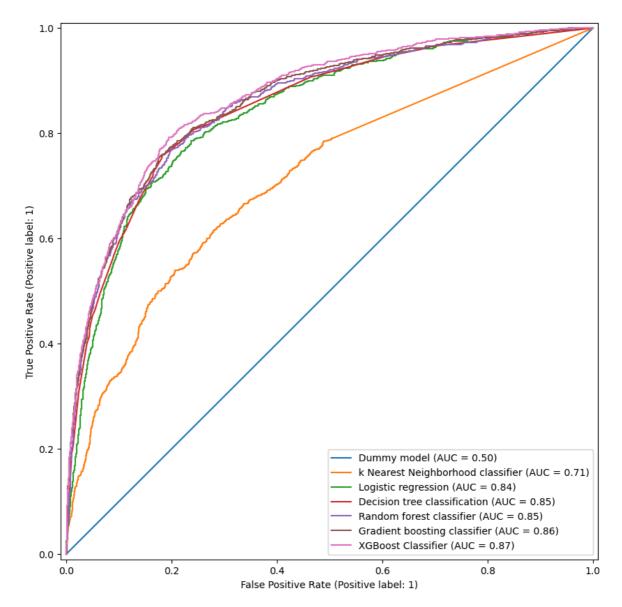


This model gave us similar scores to the gradient boosting model, but the gradient boosting model has the best AUC score and precision score. So, we will choose the

gradient boosting classifier as the final model.

Comparison of Model ROC Curves

```
In [ ]: # Function to plot ROC curves for multiple models
         def plot roc curves(models, X test, y test):
             fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(10, 10))
             for model in models:
                  RocCurveDisplay.from estimator(model['estimator'], X test, y test
             plt.show()
         # Define your models
         models = [
             {'estimator': dummy model, 'name': 'Dummy model'},
             {'estimator': best model KNN, 'name': 'k Nearest Neighborhood classif
             {'estimator': best_model_logreg, 'name': 'Logistic regression'},
             {'estimator': best_model_dtc, 'name': 'Decision tree classification'}
             {'estimator': best model rfc, 'name': 'Random forest classifier'},
             {'estimator': best_model_gbc, 'name': 'Gradient boosting classifier'}
{'estimator': best_model_xgb, 'name': 'XGBoost Classifier'}
         # Plot ROC curves
         plot_roc_curves(models, X_te, y_te)
```



'Final' Model: Gradient Boosting Classifier

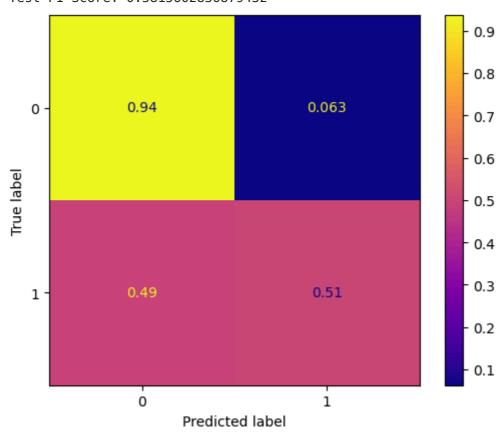
From the ROC curves comparison above, and confusion matrix of the method, we decided to choose Gradient Boosting Classifier as our final model.

Training Scores:

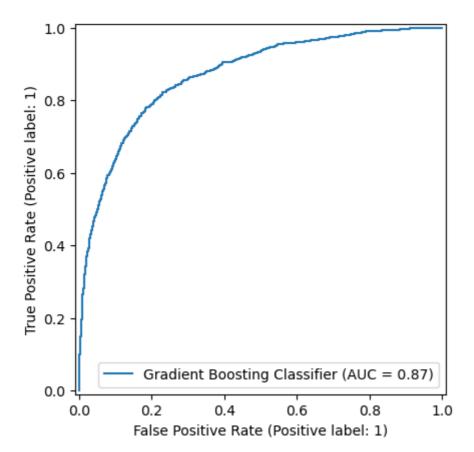
Train Accuracy: 0.9002457289960215 Train Precision: 0.8543046357615894 Train Recall: 0.6394932525475076 Train F1-Score: 0.731453772247598

Testing Scores:

Test Accuracy: 0.845376263571696 Test Precision: 0.6841477949940405 Test Recall: 0.505726872246696 Test F1-Score: 0.5815602836879432



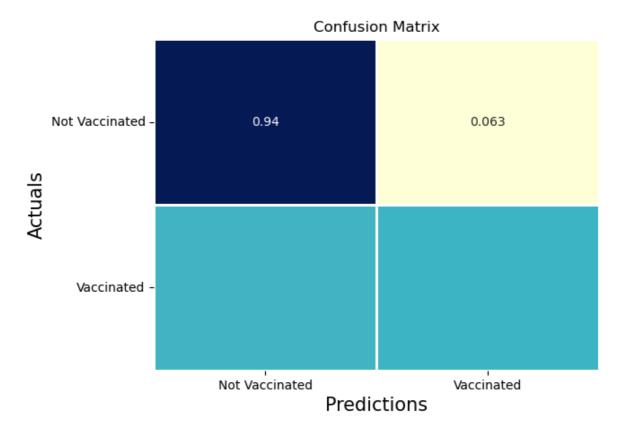
In []: # Plotting the roc-auc curve for the XGB model
 RocCurveDisplay.from_estimator(final_model, X_te, y_te, name='Gradient Bo
 plt.show()



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In []: # we can calculate predictions for confusion matrix
    hold_preds_final_model = final_model.predict(X_hold)
    cm=confusion_matrix(y_hold, hold_preds_final_model, normalize='true')

In []: # Plot heatmap for final model's confusion matrix for better visualization
    ax= plt.subplot()
    sns.heatmap(cm, annot=True, ax=ax, cbar=False, linewidths=1, cmap="YlGnBu"

ax.set_title('Confusion Matrix')
    ax.set_xlabel('Predictions', fontsize = 15)
    ax.set_ylabel('Actuals', fontsize = 15)
    ax.xaxis.set_ticklabels(['Not Vaccinated', 'Vaccinated'])
    ax.yaxis.set_ticklabels(['Not Vaccinated', 'Vaccinated'], rotation = 0, formalize = 10.
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Evaluation

Our baseline model had an accuracy score of 78%, but a score of zero for precision, recall, and fl scores. When we compare all of our following models to this baseline, all have much better precision, recall, and f1 scores, and many have higher accuracy scores. The decision tree model is not overfitting, but it has a low precision score, as well as a low f1 score. However, it has an AUC score of 0.84, which is fairly high, meaning that it does an adequate job of maximizing true positives and minimizing the false positives. The decision tree model is not overfitting. This logistic regression model has low precision and fl scores, and has an AUC equal to the decision tree AUC above. This model is not overfitting. The random forest classifier model also has low precision and fl scores. It has an AUC score of 0.85, which is slightly better than the decision tree model above. This model is not overfitting to a great extent. The KNN model is definitely overfitting; the training data has perfect scores for all metrics, whereas the testing data scores are much lower. The AUC score is also much lower than on previous models. The Gradient Boosting model has the highest overall scores of all the models done so far, and also does the best job of minimizing the false positives. This is our candidate for the final model. The XG Boost model gave us similar scores to the gradient boosting model, but the gradient boosting model has the best AUC score and precision score. So, we will choose the gradient boosting classifier as the final model.

Our final model did not overfit to the training set, we got similar AUC, precision and accuracy scores for the holdout set. Because the model does a good job of minimizing the false positive rate on the hold out data, we are fairly confident that it will generalize well to unseen data and will accurately help public health offials determine

the people who didn't get the vaccine. We are going to look into feature importances to understand the relationship between the features and vaccination behavior.