

Making The Final Four

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OBJECTIVE

- **Statistics Comparison**

- Adjusted Tempo, Offensive and Defensive Ability
- Two Point and Three Point Shot Percentage
- Power Rating
- Adjusted Offensive & Defensive Efficiency

=> What makes the Final Four Team different?

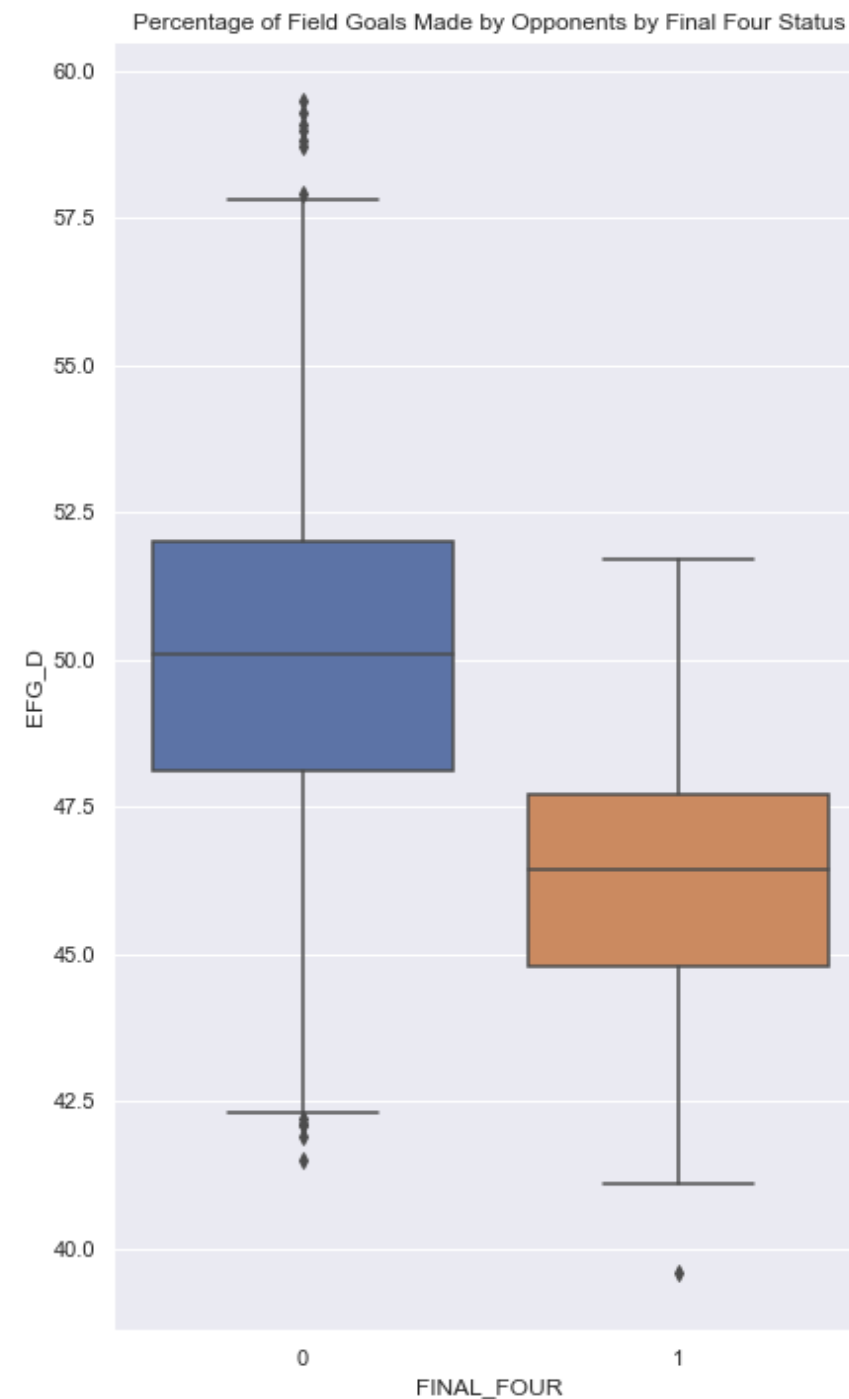
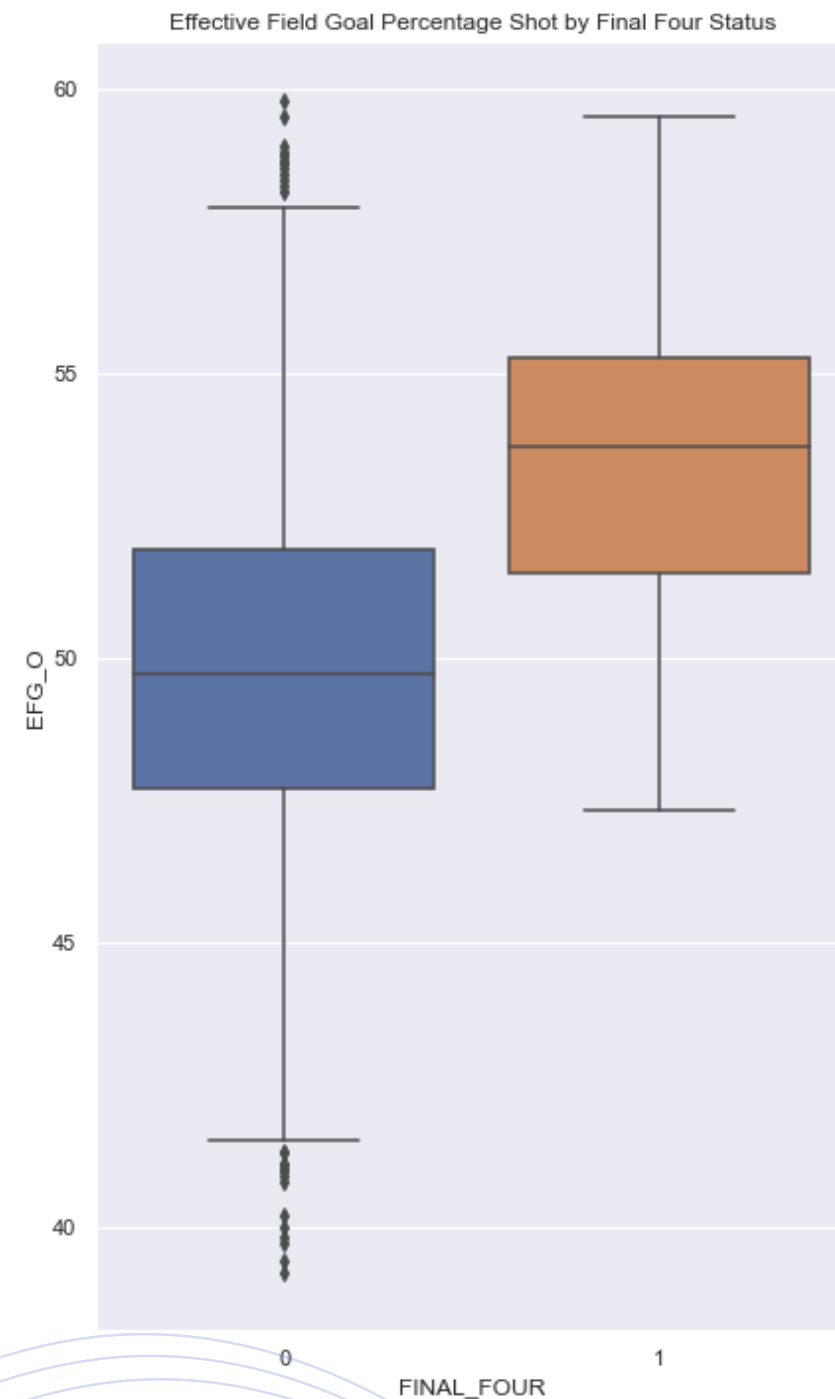
- **Machine Learning Model walk-through**

- Accuracy score
- Important Features



STATISTICS COMPARISON

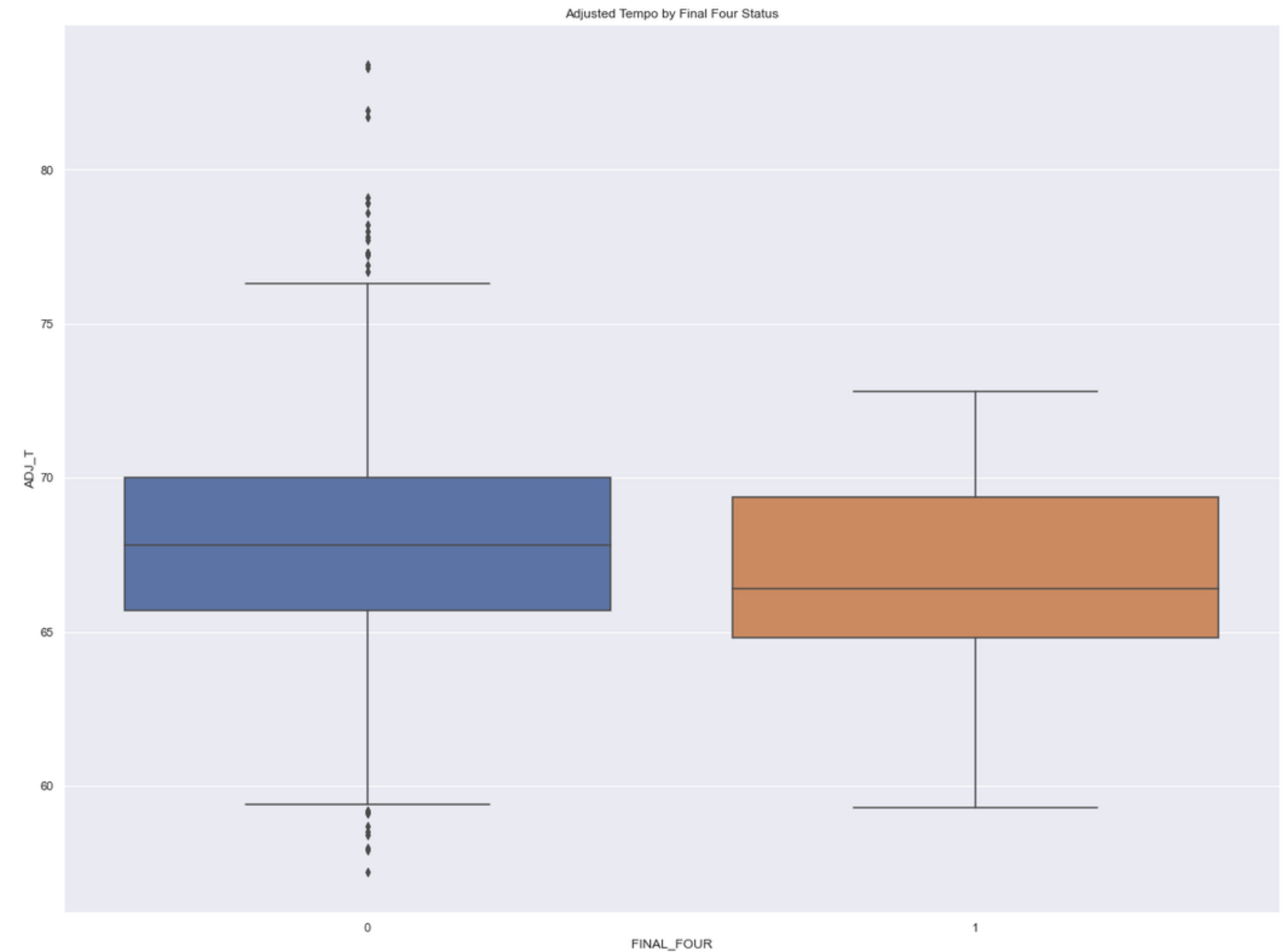
OFFENSIVE AND DEFENSIVE ABILITY



- Final Four Teams generally have higher effective field goal percentage and a better defensive ability
- The median of effective field goal and defective field goals in other teams are lower
- Final Four Teams have a more consistent range ,while other teams vary more widely

ADJUSTED TEMPO

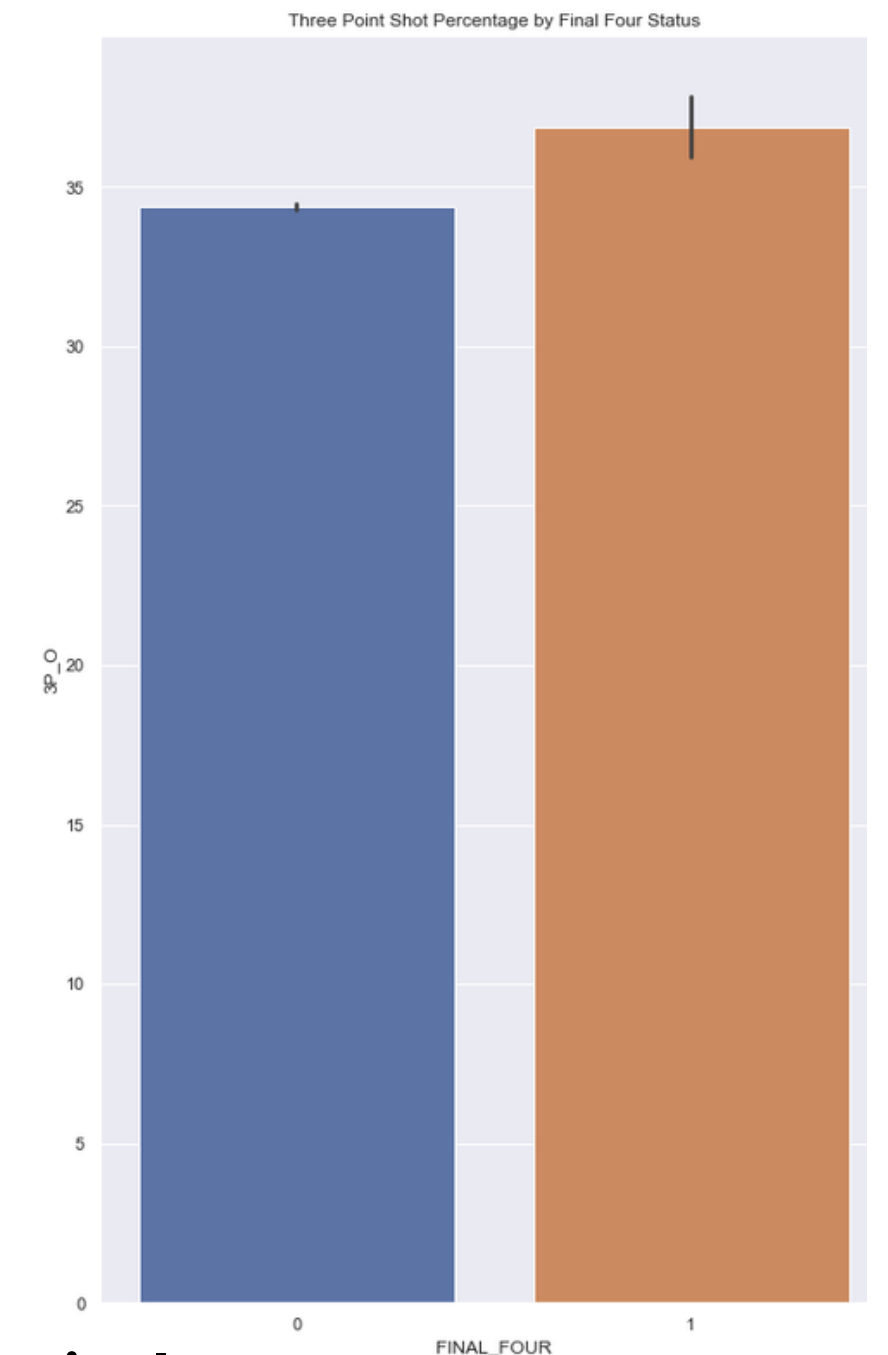
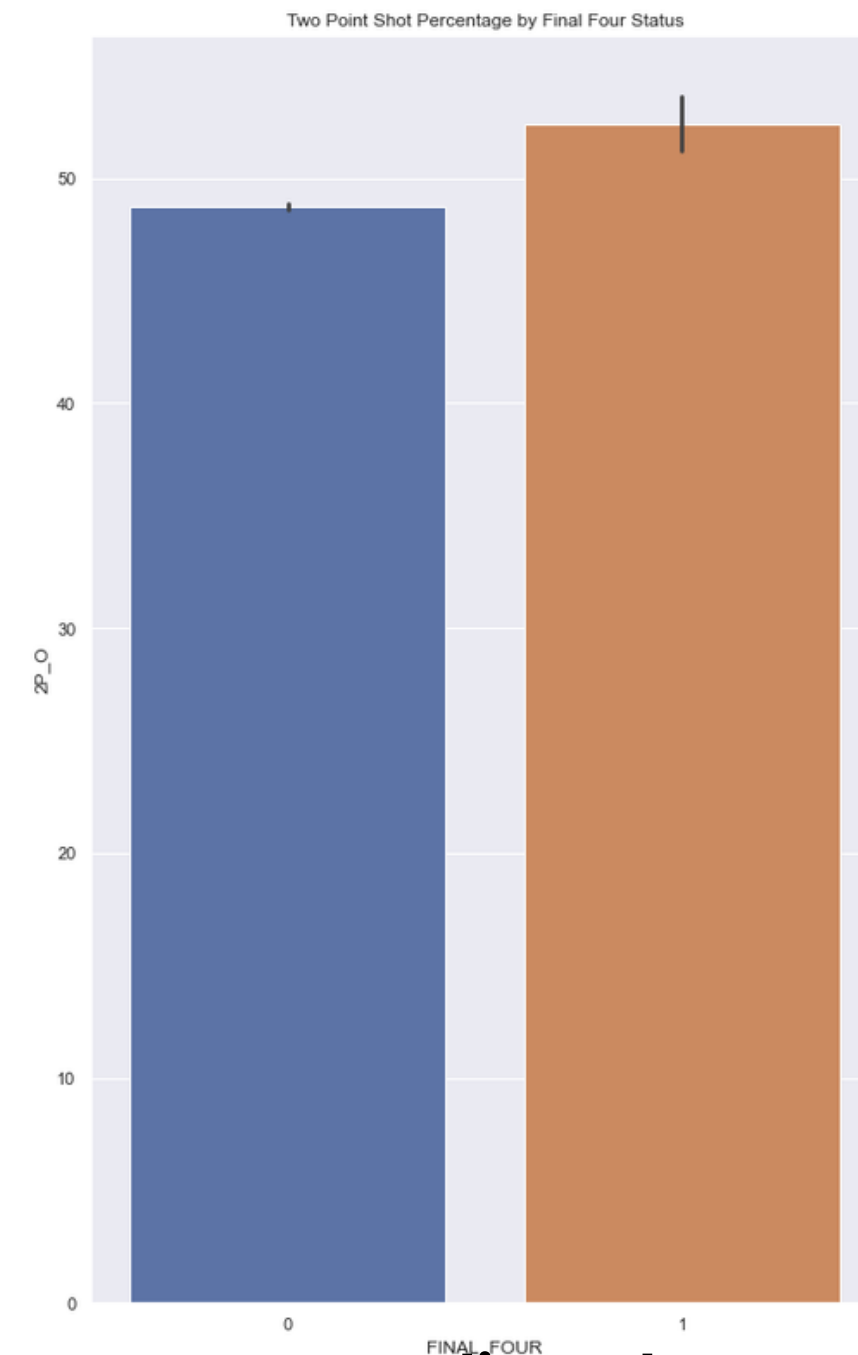
- Final Four Teams play at a slower tempo than the other teams, normally the tempo ranges from 59 to 73 units
- They also have a more consistent tempo!



Adjusted Tempo by Final Four Status

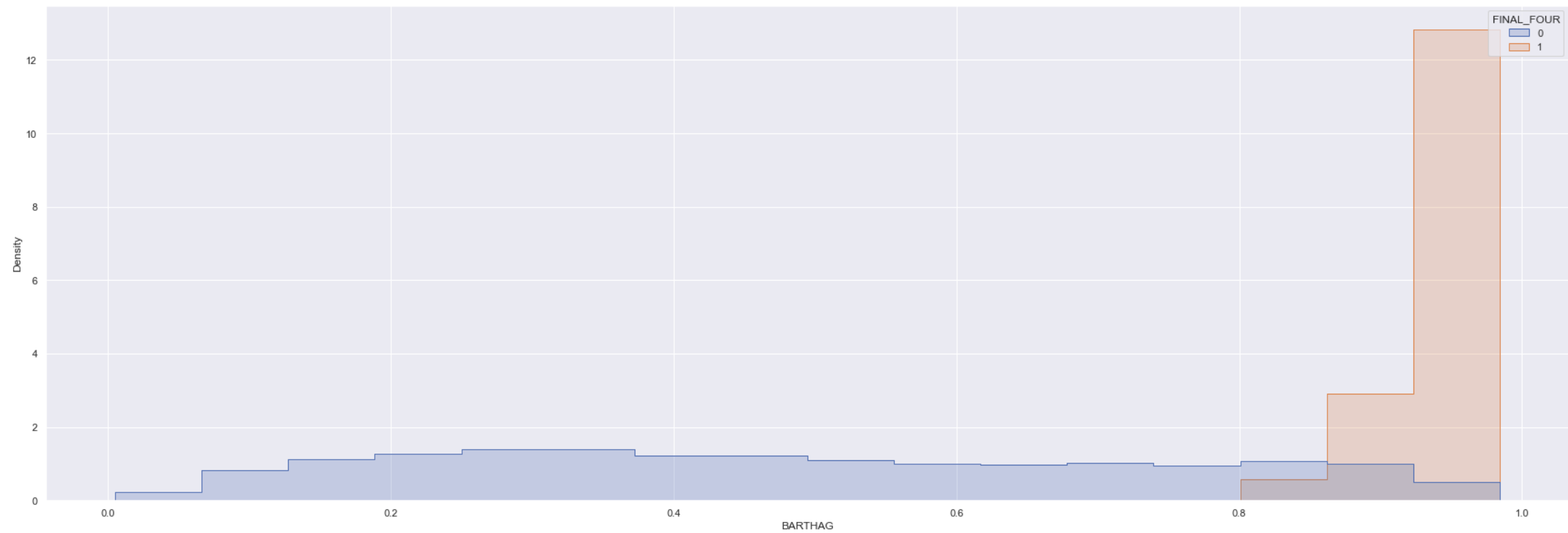
THREE POINT SHOTS & TWO POINT SHOTS

- Final Four Teams perform better in both three point shot percentage and two point shot percentage
- They outplay their opponents by about 7% for both columns
- This suggests that the players for Final Four Teams may be better shooters



Adjusted Tempo by Final Four Status

Two Point Shot Percentage **Three Point Shot Percentage**



POWER RATING

- The Final Four Team's chances of beating a Division I team is substantially higher than that of other team (0.8 - 1)
- Although the other teams' power rating vary widely, there's higher frequency at the 0.5 mark

MODEL BUILDING

Task: Build a simple model that predicts which teams are most likely to make the Final Four in 2019, using data from 2013-2018

METRICS

- The model yields a **93% accuracy score** in comparison to the actual data
- The method I used is a **Logistic Regression model**, and I implemented SMOTE to handle imbalanced data
- The model succeeds to capture **all of the final four teams** in the 2019 season!



Accuracy of logistic regression classifier on test set: 0.93

Texas Tech	1
Louisville	1
LSU	1
Oregon	1
Michigan	1
Houston	1
Virginia Tech	1
North Carolina	1
Florida St.	1
Kansas St.	1
Iowa St.	1
Wisconsin	1
Syracuse	1
VCU	1
Virginia	1
Florida	1
Oklahoma	1
Kansas	1
Maryland	1
UCF	1
Auburn	1
Michigan St.	1
Gonzaga	1
Kentucky	1
Purdue	1
Duke	1
Tennessee	1



THANK YOU
FOR WATCHING