Predicting Rainfall in Australia

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PROJECT GROUP #3

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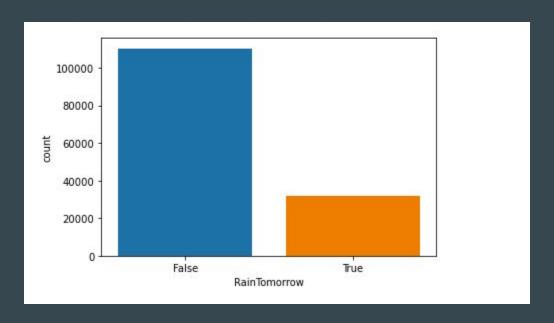
Introduction

- The aim of the project is to predict if it will rain in Australia.
- The target audience is the general public of Australia.
- EDA (Exploratory Data Analysis) was performed to visualize various important trends.
- A logistic regression model was trained to predict rain.
- The model was evaluated using various classification metrics.

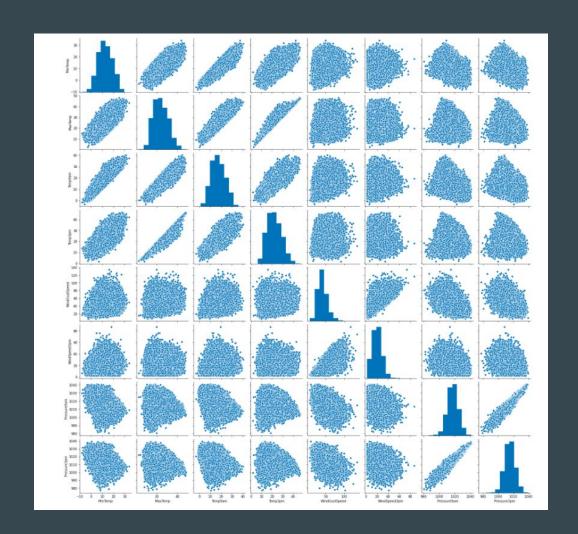
About the Dataset

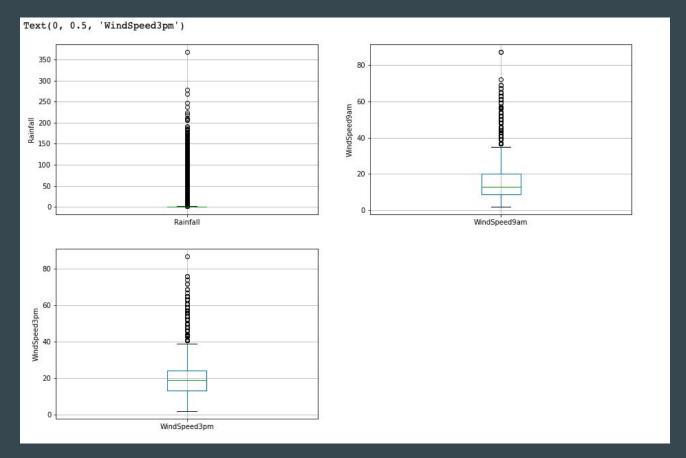
- This dataset contains about 10 years of daily weather observations from numerous Australian weather stations.
- It consists of 24 columns and 142193 rows. It has numerical, categorical and boolean data.
- It is an unbalanced dataset, as the target column RainTomorrow has 110316 "No" entries and 31877 "Yes" entries.

Visualizations



Visualizing the Target Variable





Checking for Outliers

Data Preprocessing

- The dataset is stored in BigQuery.
- The preprocessing is done using Jupyter Notebooks in AI Platform
- The datatypes of the columns are corrected.
- The columns that have less than 60% of data are dropped.
- The rows that consist of missing values in any of the columns are dropped.
- Outliers are handled using top-coding approach.
- Categorical data is encoded using One Hot Encoding as Logistic Regression cannot handle categorical data.

Machine Learning Model

- A Logistic Regression model is trained using BigQuery ML.
- The query used to create the model is :

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CREATE OR REPLACE MODEL

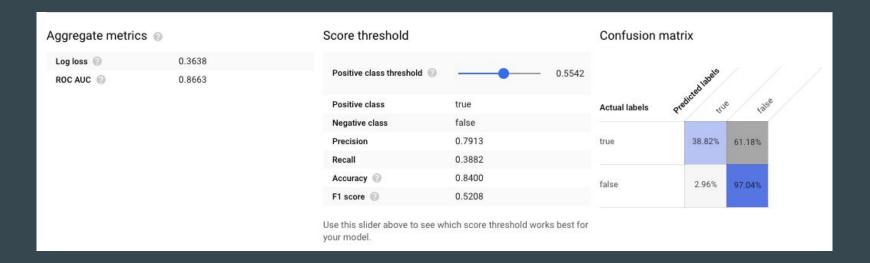
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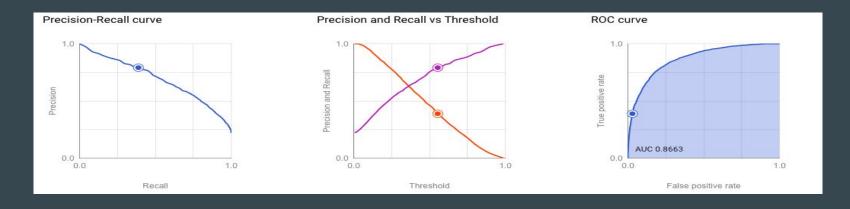
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( model_type="logistic_reg",
    input_label_cols=["RainTomorrow"] ) AS

SELECT * EXCEPT(YEAR) FROM

'thematic-flash-266714.australia_weather.preprocessed_new' WHERE YEAR >=2011
```





Predictions Using the Model

• We use the following query to evaluate the model

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SELECT * FROM ML.PREDICT (MODEL `thematic-flash-266714.australia_weather.log_reg_model`,(

SELECT * EXCEPT(YEAR) FROM

`thematic-flash-266714.australia_weather.preprocessed_new`

WHERE YEAR < 2011 ))
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		false	0.47020065683076007
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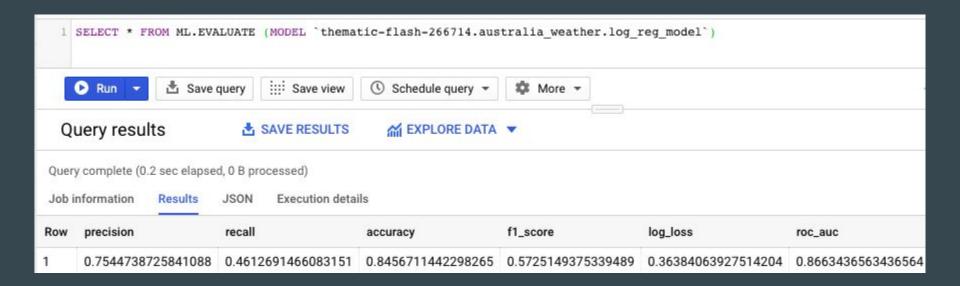
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Evaluating the Model

• We use the following query to evaluate the model

SELECT * FROM ML.EVALUATE(MODEL `thematic-flash-266714.australia_weather.log_reg_model`)



Conclusion

- The accuracy of the model is 0.85 and precision is 0.75 which is good for a classification model.
- But the recall and f1-score is low, which implies that the model needs improvement.
- The performance of the model suffers due to the unbalanced dataset.

THANK YOU!