# Predicting Rainfall in Australia

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#### PROJECT GROUP #3

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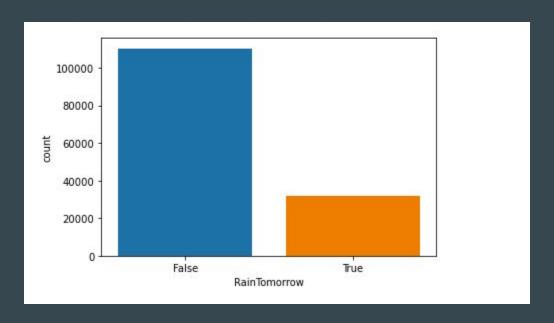
#### Introduction

- 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.

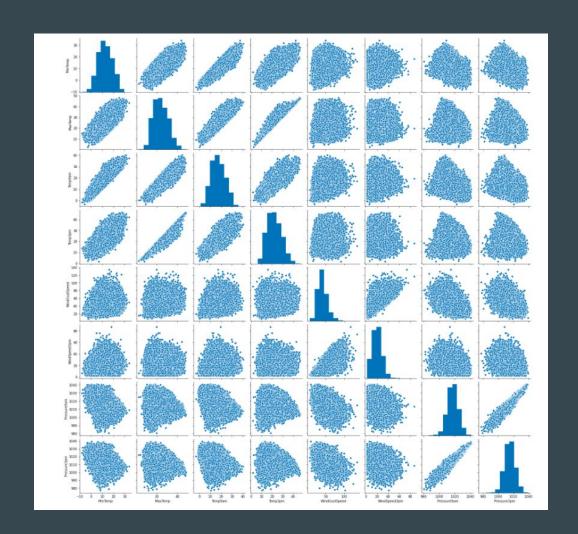
#### **About the Dataset**

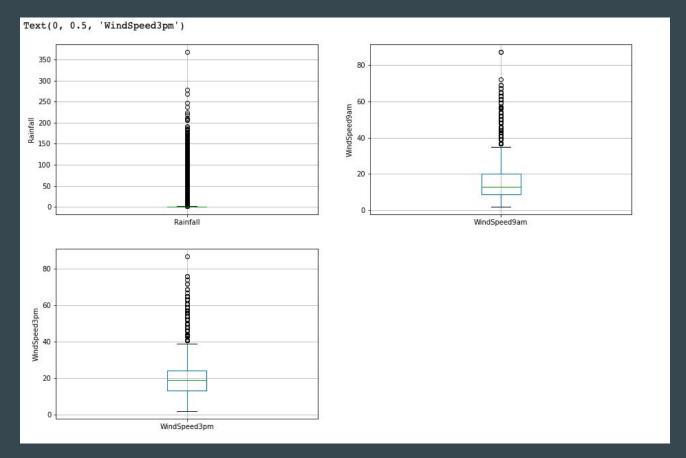
- This dataset contains about 10 years of daily weather observations from numerous Australian weather stations.
- It consists of 24 columns and 142193 rows. It has numerical, categorical and boolean data.
- It is an unbalanced dataset, as the target column RainTomorrow has 110316 "No" entries and 31877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

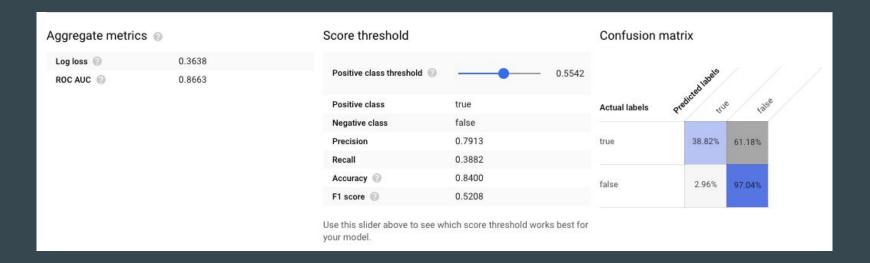
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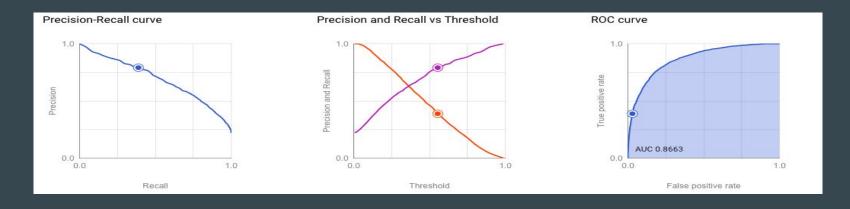
OPTIONS

( 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**

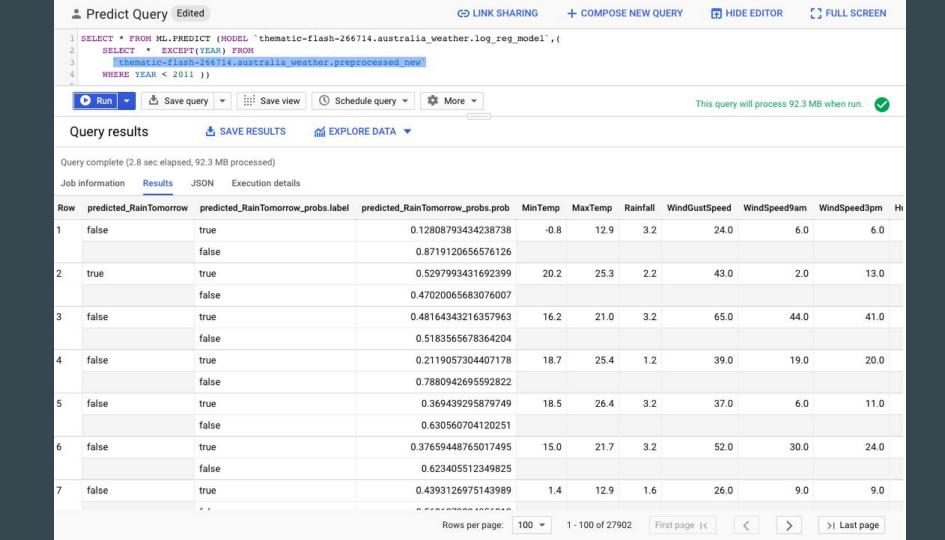
• We use the following query to evaluate the model

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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`

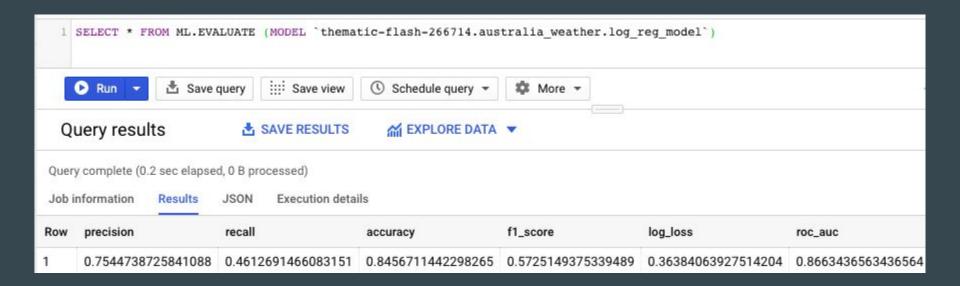
WHERE YEAR < 2011 ))
```



## **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!