#### 21MA602 COMPUTATIONAL LINEAR ALGEBRA FINAL PRESENTATION

# ENGLISH PREMIER LEAGUE FOOTBALL HOME TEAM MATCH PREDICTION

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#### INTRODUCTION

- Using a data-driven methodology, we step into the interesting world of **football match predictions**.
- Goal: Utilize machine learning to foresee outcomes victories, losses, or draws.
- Navigate through football data, historical match stats, and team performance metrics.
- Uncover strategies, challenges, and successes in leveraging AI for predictions

#### PROBLEM STATEMENT

- Why Important? Accurate predictions contribute to strategic decision-making for teams, fantasy league players, and betting enthusiasts, enhancing the overall football experience.
- The market for *sports betting is valued at \$500 billion* (Sydney Herald).
- The *most popular sport in the world*, football is played by 250 million players in more than 200 countries.
- The most well-liked domestic teams in the world are the English Premier League.
- Design a predictive model capable of accurately predicting if the home team will win a football match.

#### **OBJECTIVES**

- Develop robust machine learning models leveraging historical football match data.
- Utilize various algorithms to identify patterns and trends that contribute to match outcomes.
- Extract valuable insights from the models to understand the factors influencing match results.
- Provide actionable information for football enthusiasts, analysts, and decision-makers.

#### **METHODOLOGY**

#### • Data Collection:

Gathered extensive football match data, including team statistics, match outcomes, and historical performance.

#### • Data Preprocessing:

Cleaned and organized the dataset to address missing values, outliers, and inconsistencies.

#### • Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA):

Conducted in-depth EDA to understand the distribution of variables and identify potential correlations.

#### • Model Development:

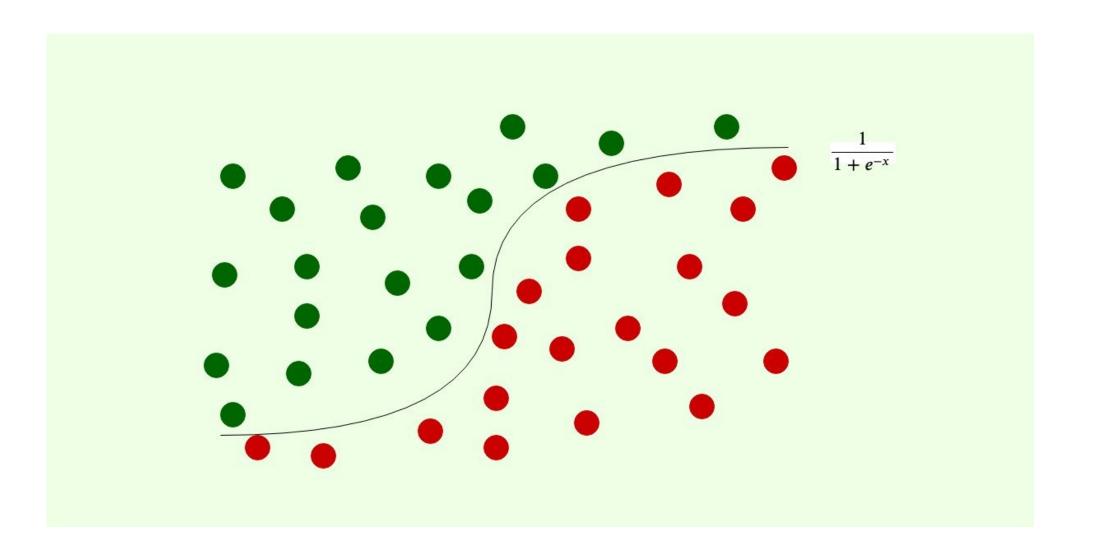
Employed multiple machine learning algorithms, including Logistic Regression, Support Vector Machines (SVM), and Random Forest.

# Model Development:

- 1. Logistic Regression:
- 2. Support Vector Machines (SVM)
- 3. Random Forest

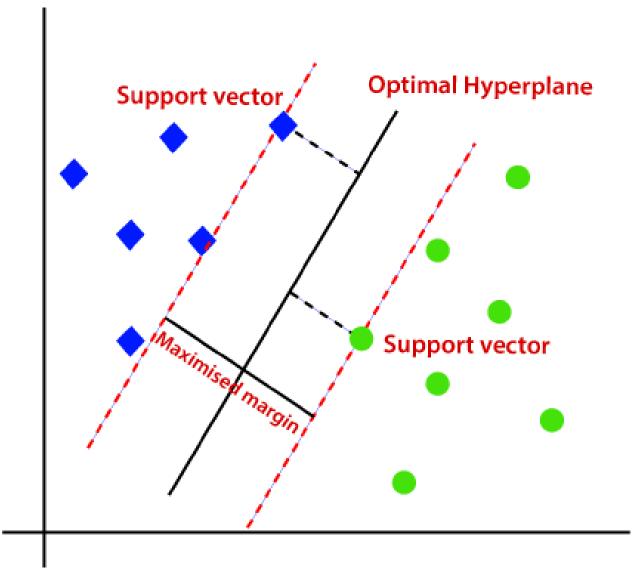
## 1. Logistic Regression:

What it does: *Predicts the probability of a binary outcome* (like win or lose) based on input features



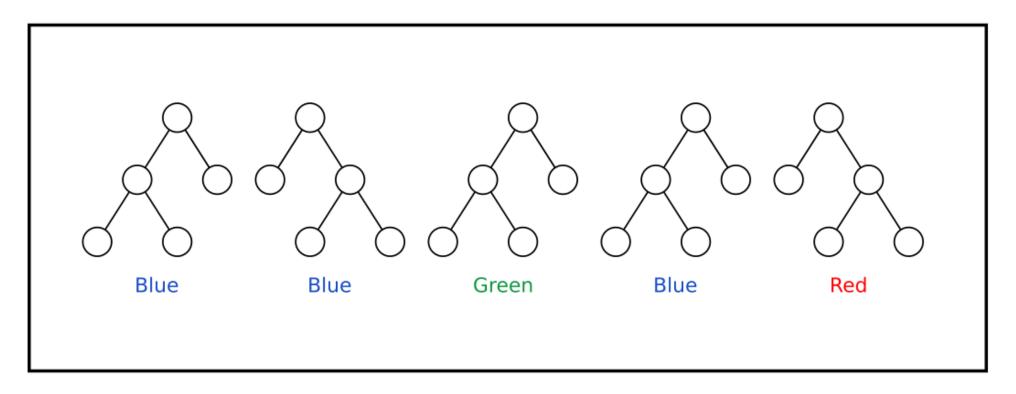
#### 2. Support Vector Machines (SVM):

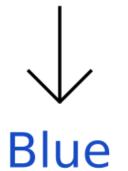
What it does: Finds the *optimal decision boundary* between different classes, maximizing the margin.



#### 3. Random Forest:

• What it does: Constructs *multiple decision trees* and *combines* their predictions for more robust results.



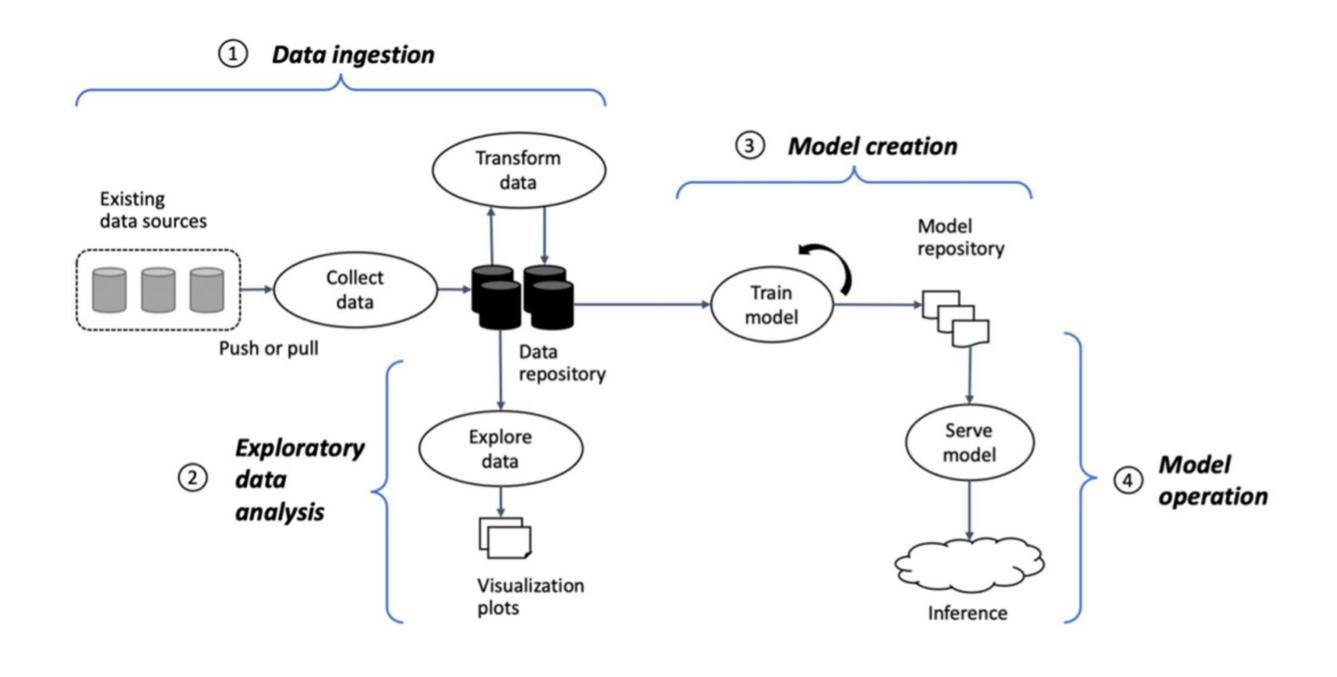


#### DATASET DESCRIPTION

Dataset has the *past 18 years* of EPL dataset of each match and It also has final dataset which produced after processing all year datasets.

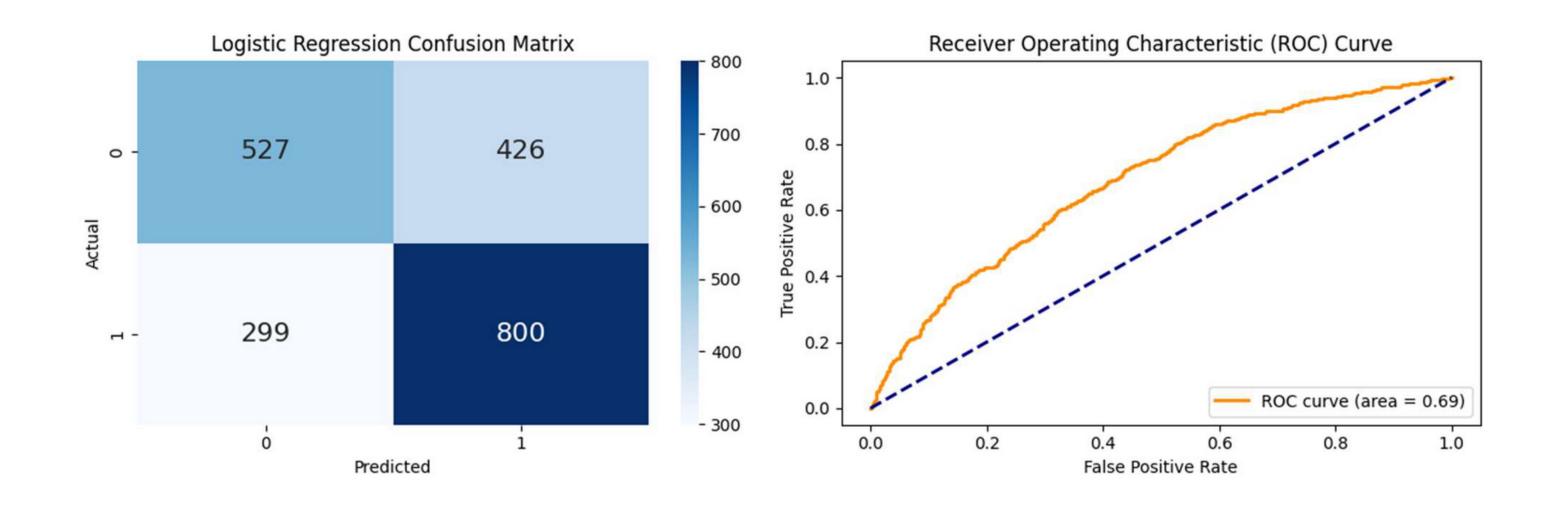
- Div = League Division
- Date = Match Date (dd/mm/yy)
- Time = Time of match kick-off
- HomeTeam = Home Team
- Away team = Away Team
- FTHG and HG = Full Time Home Team Goals
- FTAG and AG = Full-Time Away Team Goals
- FTR and Res = Full-Time Result (H=Home Win, D=Draw, A=Away Win)
- HTHG = Half Time Home Team Goals
- HTAG = Half Time Away Team Goals
- HTR = Half Time Result (H=Home Win, D=Draw, A=Away Win)

## **EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN**

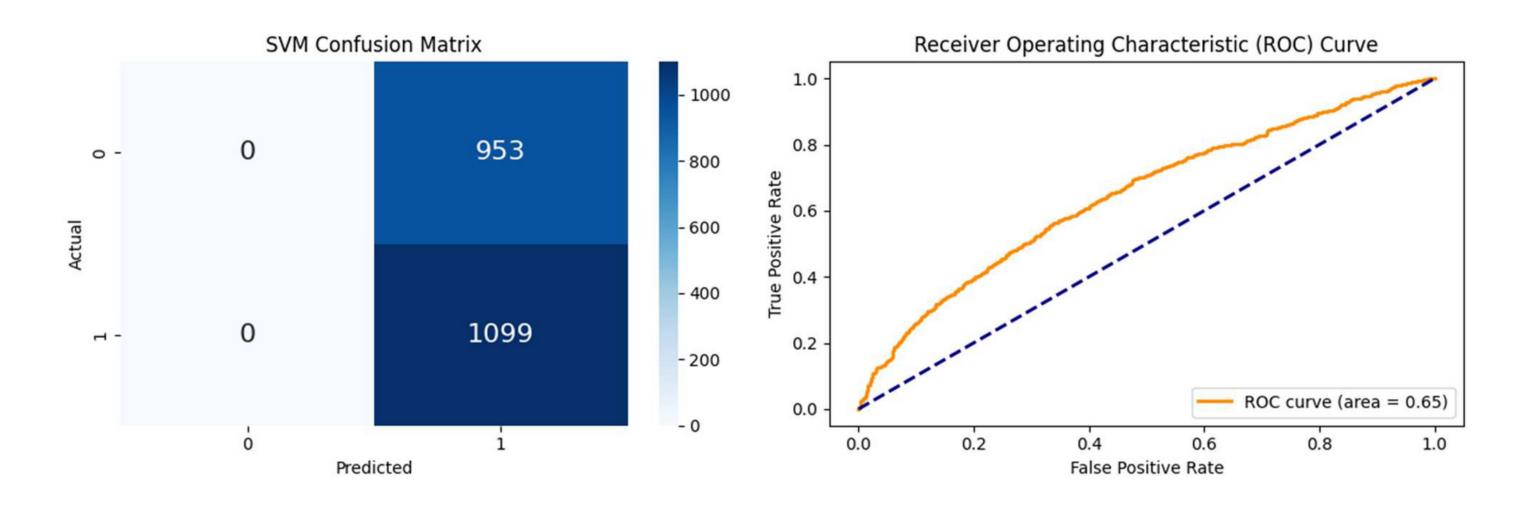


## PERFORMANCE MEASURES

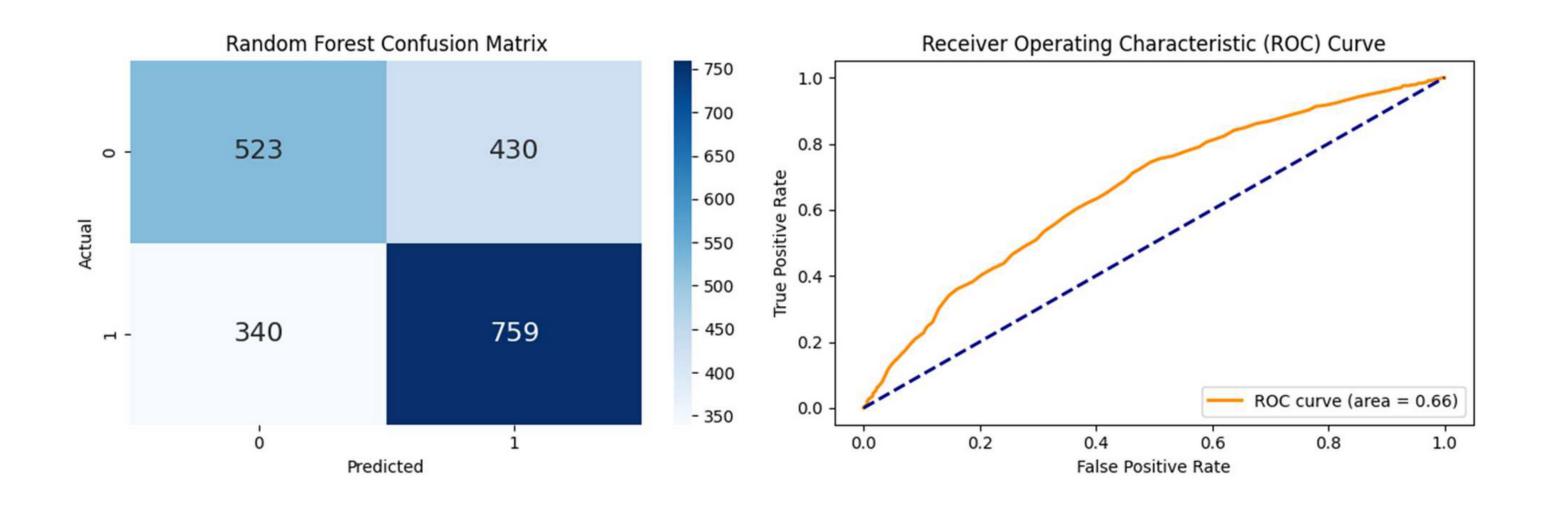
#### 1. Logistic Regression



## 2. Support Vector Machines (SVM):



#### 3. Random Forest:



## CONCLUSION

#### 1. Model Performance:

- Logistic Regression achieved an accuracy of 64.67%.
- Random Forest demonstrated an accuracy of 62.48%.
- SVM showed an accuracy of 53.56%.
- 2. **Best Performing Model: Logistic Regression** outperformed other models, demonstrating the highest accuracy in predicting football match results.
- 3. *Implications:* The project's success in employing machine learning for match outcome prediction holds potential applications in sports analytics and betting strategies.
- 4. *Future Directions:* Further enhancements could involve feature engineering, hyperparameter tuning, and exploring advanced models for improved accuracy.