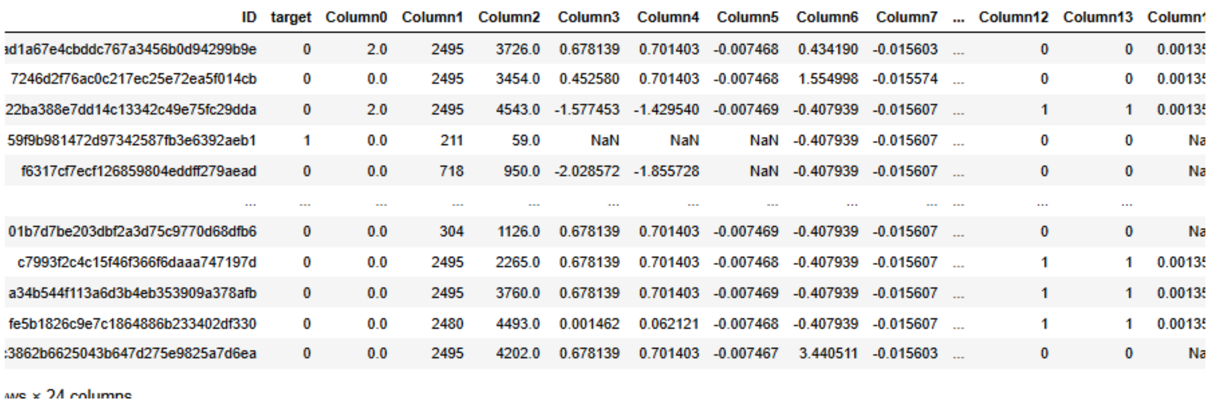
Detailed Report: Developing an AI/ML Model for Binary Classification

1. Problem Statement

The objective of this project is to develop a machine learning model that can classify each row of input data into various classes based on the provided target data. The key challenges include handling missing values, managing skewed data, performing feature selection, addressing class imbalance, and ultimately selecting and fine-tuning a model that delivers high accuracy.

Dataframe



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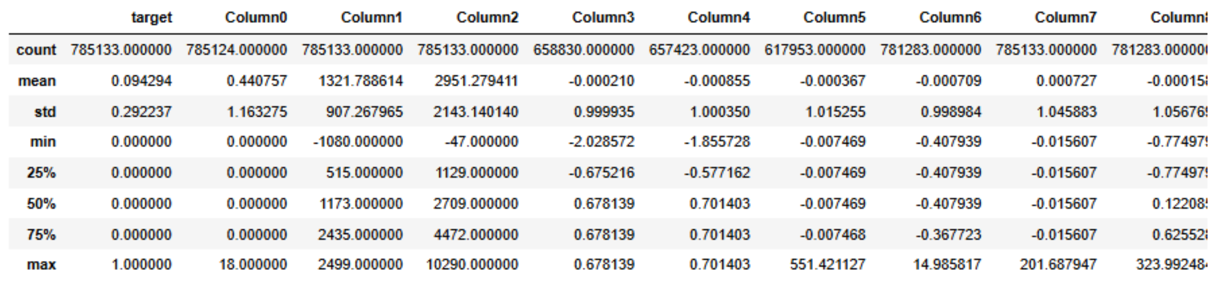
Statistical data info



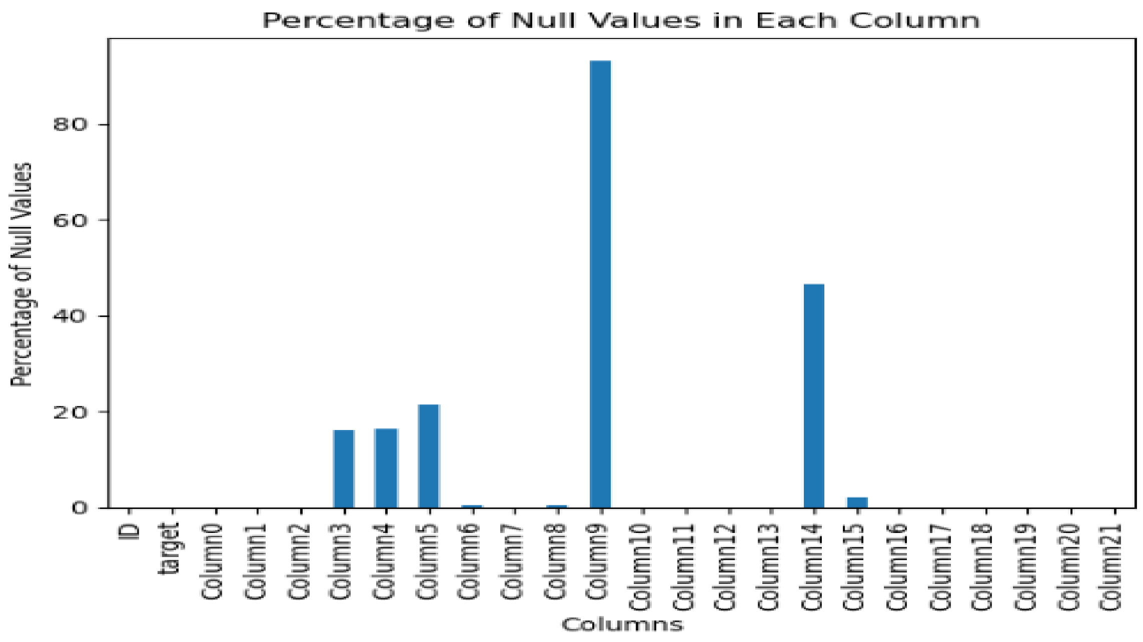
	target	Column0	Column1	Column2	Column3	Column4	Column5	Column6	Column7	Column
count	785133.000000	785124.000000	785133.000000	785133.000000	658830.000000	657423.000000	617953.000000	781283.000000	785133.000000	781283.00000
mean	0.094294	0.440757	1321.788614	2951.279411	-0.000210	-0.000855	-0.000367	-0.000709	0.000727	-0.00015
std	0.292237	1.163275	907.267965	2143.140140	0.999935	1.000350	1.015255	0.998984	1.045883	1.05676
min	0.000000	0.000000	-1080.000000	-47.000000	-2.028572	-1.855728	-0.007469	-0.407939	-0.015607	-0.77497
25%	0.000000	0.000000	515.000000	1129.000000	-0.675216	-0.577162	-0.007469	-0.407939	-0.015607	-0.77497
50%	0.000000	0.000000	1173.000000	2709.000000	0.678139	0.701403	-0.007469	-0.407939	-0.015607	0.12208
75%	0.000000	0.000000	2435.000000	4472.000000	0.678139	0.701403	-0.007468	-0.367723	-0.015607	0.62552
max	1.000000	18.000000	2499.000000	10290.000000	0.678139	0.701403	551.421127	14.985817	201.687947	323.99248

2. Data Preprocessing and Cleaning

2.1 Handling Missing Values:

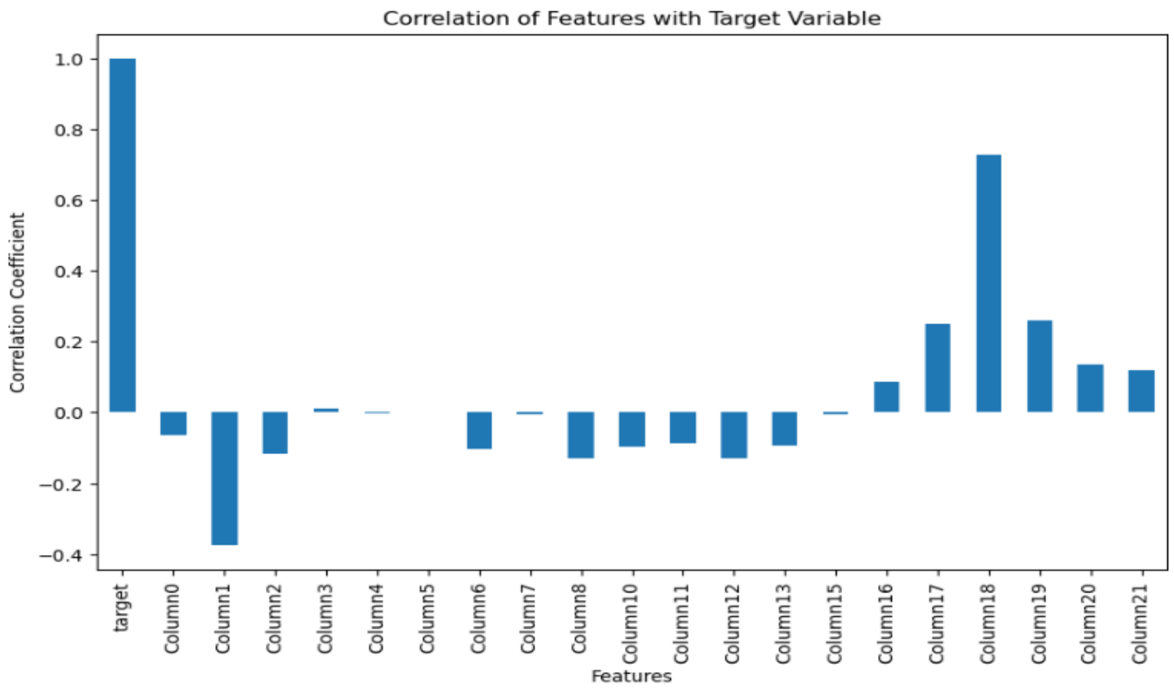
- The dataset contained missing values (NaNs), and given its skewed nature, we opted to replace these missing values with the median of each respective feature. This approach helps to minimize the distortion caused by outliers, which can otherwise affect the mean.

- Columns 9 and 14 had more than 50% missing values, making them unreliable for model training. These columns were dropped to prevent them from negatively impacting model performance.



2.2 Dropping Irrelevant Features:

- We identified categorical features, such as the 'ID' column, that do not contribute to the predictive power of the model. These were removed to streamline the dataset.



- Next, we examined the correlation between the target variable and other features. By plotting and analyzing these correlations, we found that columns 3, 4, 5, 15, and 17 had negligible impact on the target variable. These columns were subsequently dropped to reduce noise and improve model efficiency.

3. Data Preparation for Modeling

3.1 Standardization:

- Both the training and test datasets were standardized to ensure that all features have a uniform scale. This step is crucial for algorithms like SVM and Neural Networks, which are sensitive to the scale of input data.

3.2 Test Data Preprocessing:

- The same preprocessing steps applied to the training data were also performed on the test data to maintain consistency and avoid data leakage.

4. Model Implementation and Selection

4.1 Model Exploration:

- We implemented several classification algorithms to find the best model for our problem. These included:

  - Logistic Regression: A baseline model that is simple and interpretable.

  - Random Forest: An ensemble method that combines multiple decision trees to improve accuracy and control overfitting.

  - Gradient Boosting:Another ensemble technique that builds models sequentially, each correcting the errors of its predecessor.

  - XGBoost: An optimized version of Gradient Boosting, known for its performance and speed.

  - Artificial Neural Networks (ANN):A model that is particularly powerful for capturing complex, non-linear relationships in the data.

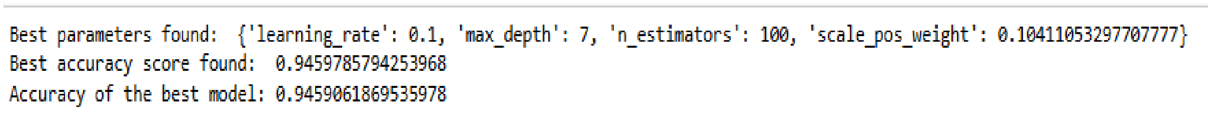
4.2 Model Evaluation:

- After implementing the models, we analyzed their performance using classification reports that included metrics like accuracy, precision, recall, and F1-score. XGBoost outperformed the other models, delivering the highest accuracy.

5. Hyperparameter Tuning Optimization & CrossValidation

5.1 Hyperparameter Tuning:

- To further enhance the performance of the XGBoost model, we conducted hyperparameter tuning. This involved adjusting parameters such as the learning rate, maximum depth of trees, and the number of estimators to find the optimal configuration.



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Best parameters found:  {'learning_rate': 0.1, 'max_depth': 7, 'n_estimators': 100, 'scale_pos_weight': 0.10411053297707777}
Best accuracy score found:  0.9459785794253968
Accuracy of the best model: 0.9459061869535978
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- Grid Search and Random Search were used to explore the hyperparameter space, leading to improved model accuracy and robustness.

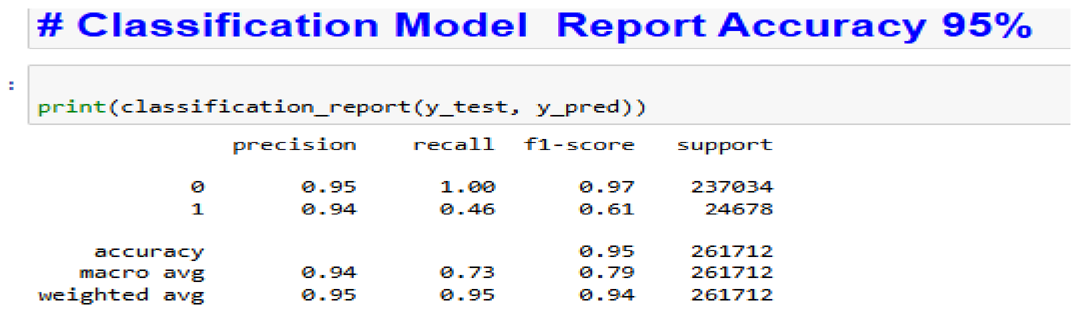
-At last doing CrossValidating (cv=3) optimized model

5.2 Handling Class Imbalance:

- The dataset exhibited class imbalance between the target labels 1 and 0. We employed techniques like like finding imbalance ratio and adjusting class weights to ensure that the model did not become biased towards the majority class. This step was crucial in improving the model's ability to generalize and perform well on minority classes.

6. Final Model Performance

6.1 Accuracy Scores:



Classification Model Report Accuracy 95%

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print(classification_report(y_test, y_pred))
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              precision    recall  f1-score   support

           0       0.95      1.00      0.97    237034
           1       0.94      0.46      0.61     24678

    accuracy                           0.95    261712
   macro avg       0.94      0.73      0.79    261712
weighted avg       0.95      0.95      0.94    261712
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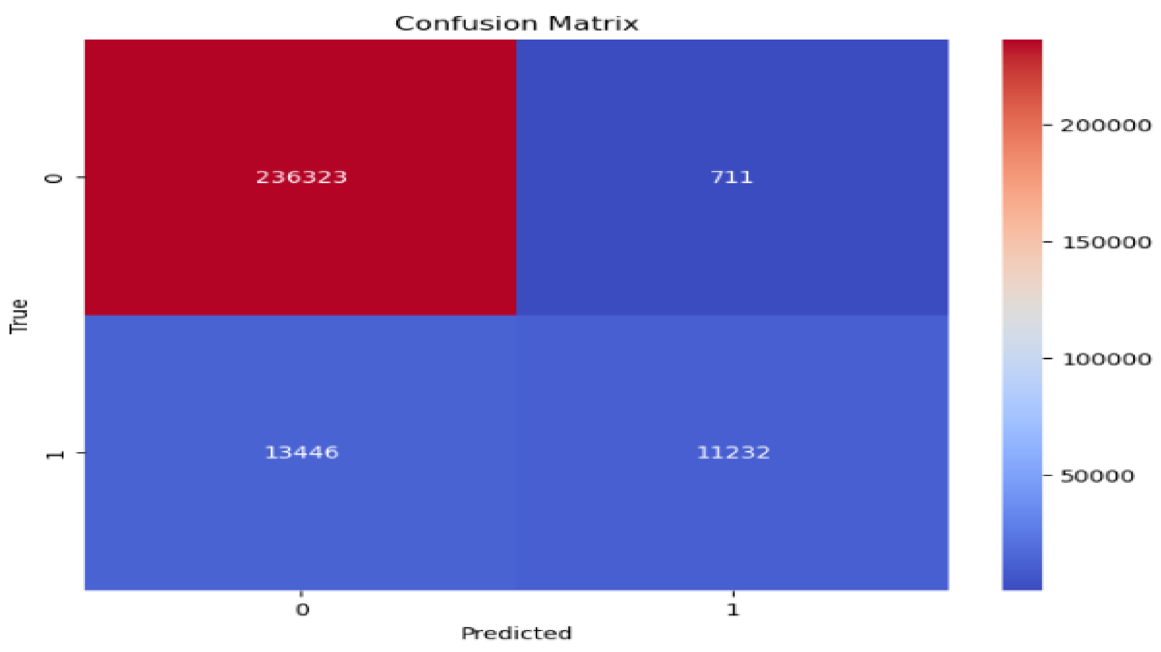
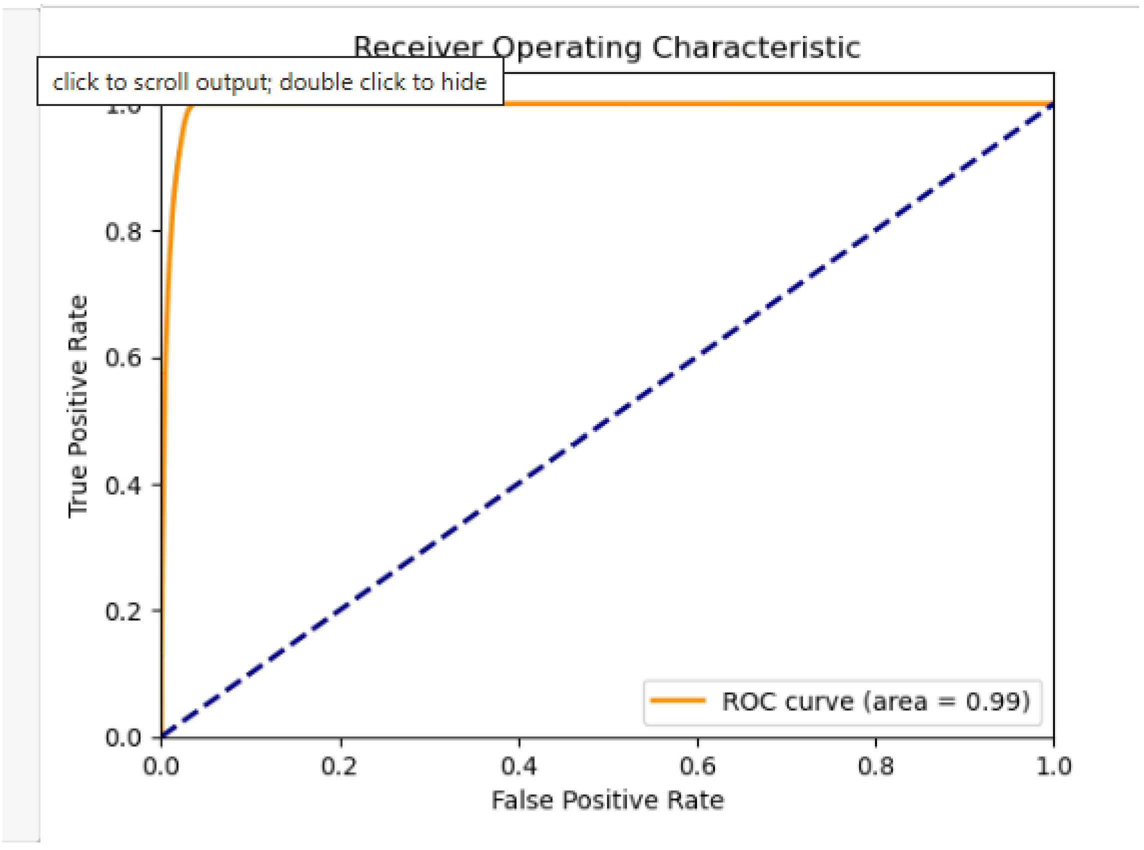
- The final XGBoost model achieved an impressive accuracy of 94-95% on individual classes, and an overall accuracy of 95%. These results indicate that the model is both precise and reliable across different categories.

6.2 Confusion Matrix and AUC-ROC Curve:

- To evaluate the model's performance further, we plotted the confusion matrix, which provided a detailed view of the model's predictions versus the actual labels. This matrix helped identify areas where the model may be misclassifying data.



- We also plotted the AUC-ROC curve, which measures the model's ability to distinguish between classes. The AUC value of 0.99 is indicative of the model's excellent discriminatory power, suggesting that it is highly effective in classifying the target classes correctly.



7. Conclusion

In summary, the project successfully developed a high-performing multi-class classification model using a structured approach to data preprocessing, feature selection, model evaluation, and optimization. The XGBoost model, after careful tuning and addressing class imbalance, emerged as the most accurate and reliable model, achieving a high overall accuracy and excellent AUC-ROC performance. This model is well-suited for deployment in scenarios where precise classification across multiple classes is critical.