

Machine Learning
Repository

UCI

FIVE 05
DATASET

Predict Students'
Dropout and Academic
Success

Default of Credit Card
Clients

Diabetes
Abalone
Mushroom

SHANAY

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FINAL ASSIGNMENT

Hyperparameter sensitivity trends across dataset
types in UCI ML repository

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Abalone

Shape of the Data

Data Scale & Dimensionality

Structure: 4,177 instances
(Rows) × 8 features
(Columns).
Status: Small / Low Dimensionality.

Class Distribution

Breakdown: Young (≤ 9 rings) vs. Old (> 9 rings).
Status: Perfectly Balanced (~50/50 split).

Complexity & Decision Boundaries

High noise with significant feature overlap.
Non-Linear.
Physical traits (weight/length) do not strictly correlate with age. Simple linear models will likely underperform; the problem requires a model capable of learning complex, non-linear boundaries to distinguish between Young and Old.

Shape of the Data

Diabetes

Data Scale & Dimensionality

Structure: 1 instances (Rows) × 20 features (Columns).

Status: Small / Low Dimensionality.

Class Distribution

Breakdown: Classification task, but class labels are not explicitly defined in the metadata.

Status: Not specified in dataset description.

Complexity & Decision Boundaries

Multivariate time-series data with irregular vs. fixed (fictitious) timestamps. Features include categorical and integer codes representing insulin doses, blood glucose measurements, meals, exercise, and events.

Real timestamps (from electronic logs) mixed with artificial “logical time” entries (from paper logs), introducing temporal inconsistency.

Potentially non-linear relationships among patient events, insulin dosage patterns, and glucose levels.

Classification may require models that handle temporal sequences, irregular sampling, and coded event semantics.

Shape of the Data

Mushroom

Data Scale & Dimensionality

Structure: 8,124 instances
(Rows) × 22 features (Columns)
Status: Medium-sized /
Moderately High
Dimensionality..

Class Distribution

Breakdown: Binary classification –
edible (e) vs. poisonous (p).
Status: Known to be highly separable,
though the dataset description does
not specify imbalance. Historically,
classes are close to balanced but not
perfectly even

Complexity & Decision Boundaries

Entire feature space is categorical, many with multiple categories—requires models that handle high-cardinality categorical variables.
Class separation is often strong, due to odor, bruising, gill color, and spore-print color providing highly discriminative signals.
Non-linear interactions dominate; many edible vs. poisonous distinctions rely on combinations of categorical traits rather than single features.
Missing values exist (notably in stalk-root), adding mild preprocessing complexity.
Despite non-linearity, decision boundaries are relatively easy for tree-based models, leading to near-perfect classification performance.
Linear models without one-hot encoding or feature transformation would struggle due to the purely categorical and non-ordinal feature structure.

Shape of the Data

Predict Students' Dropout and Academic Success

Data Scale & Dimensionality

Structure: 4,424 instances (Rows) × 36 features (Columns).
Status: Medium-sized / Moderately High Dimensionality..

Class Distribution

Breakdown: Three-class classification — dropout, enrolled, graduate.
Status: Strongly imbalanced, with one class dominating the distribution (as stated in dataset description).

Complexity & Decision Boundaries

Heterogeneous feature space containing demographic, socio-economic, academic history, and performance attributes.
Mix of real, integer, and categorical features → requires models capable of handling diverse data types.
High likelihood of non-linear relationships among socioeconomic factors, previous education, and student outcomes.
Significant class imbalance introduces challenging decision boundaries, where majority-class bias may overshadow minority classes.
Predicting dropout vs. academic success involves interactions not linearly separable; models must capture complex, multi-factor dependencies.
Algorithms robust to imbalance and non-linearity (e.g., gradient boosting, tree ensembles, or cost-sensitive learning) are typically necessary.

Shape of the Data

Default of Credit Card Clients

Data Scale & Dimensionality

Structure: 0,000 instances
(Rows) × 23 features (Columns).

Status: Large / Moderate Dimensionality

Class Distribution

Breakdown: Binary classification – default payment (Yes = 1) vs. no default (0).

Status: imbalanced, with non-defaulting clients forming the majority

Complexity & Decision Boundaries

Features include demographics (age, sex, education, marital status) and financial behavioral signals such as repayment history, bill amounts, and previous payments. Contains sequential financial indicators (payment history and bill amounts over 6 months), introducing temporal patterns without explicit time-series structure. Strongly non-linear relationships between repayment behavior and default likelihood.

Decision boundaries are influenced by multi-step interactions (e.g., credit limit × payment history × bill magnitude), creating a highly entangled feature space. Models must account for scaling differences: some features are small integers (e.g., repayment status), while others are large monetary values (bill and payment amounts).

Class imbalance and overlapping patterns make simple linear models less effective; tree ensembles, gradient boosting, and neural networks typically outperform due to their ability to model complex, non-linear financial risk dynamics.

PROJECT WORKFLOW

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01

Perform
Preprocessing

02

For Each
Classifier

03

For Each
Hyperparamete
r Create a List
of Possible
Values

04

Perform
GridSearch and
report sensitivity
(variance for each
hyperparameter)

05

Analyze
sensitivities across
hyperparameters,
across classifiers,
across datasets

Importing Data



Setting up all model being used:
decision_tree, knn, logistic_regression, svm



Sensitivity Check Run the
models get AUC ROC, F1 Score
and Accuracy

Setting Up Hyper parameter
for all of the classification
model used



Preprocessing of the
data



Find the variance for each of the
model and plot them

Structure of the Code

Code

