Learning Analytics- ML Model predictions

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1 Learning Analytics and Model prediction

Goal is to predict the module completion rates using the courses, studentAssessment, and assessments datasets available on Open University Learning Analytics Dataset (OULAD) and investigate which model better predicts based on the model results.

Data Source: https://www.kaggle.com/rocki37/open-university-learning-analytics-dataset

Have used Python and SciKitLearn Machine Learning libraries for analyses of data from the OULAD Dataset, which contains data about courses, students and their interactions with Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) for seven selected courses (called modules).

Github repository# https://github.com/shirleymsassignments/Introduction-to-ML

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import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler, OneHotEncoder
from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, confusion_matrix,

classification_report
from scipy import stats
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[64]: # Load datasets
    courses = pd.read_csv('data/courses.csv')
    student_assessments = pd.read_csv('data/studentAssessment.csv')
    assessments = pd.read_csv('data/assessments.csv')
    student_info = pd.read_csv('data/studentInfo.csv')

# Preview datasets
    print("Courses data\n")
    print(courses.head())
    print("\nStudent_assessments data\n")
    print(student_assessments data\n")
    print("\nAssessments data\n")
    print(assessments.head())
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print("\nStudent_info data\n")
print(student_info.head())
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Courses data

	code_module	<pre>code_presentation</pre>	module_presentation_length
0	AAA	2013J	268
1	AAA	2014J	269
2	BBB	2013J	268
3	BBB	2014J	262
4	BBB	2013B	240

Student_assessments data

	id_assessment	id_student	date_submitted	is_banked	score
0	1752	11391	18	0	78.0
1	1752	28400	22	0	70.0
2	1752	31604	17	0	72.0
3	1752	32885	26	0	69.0
4	1752	38053	19	0	79.0

Assessments data

	code_module	code_presentation	id_assessment	assessment_type	date	weight
0	AAA	2013J	1752	TMA	19.0	10.0
1	AAA	2013J	1753	TMA	54.0	20.0
2	AAA	2013J	1754	TMA	117.0	20.0
3	AAA	2013J	1755	TMA	166.0	20.0
4	AAA	2013J	1756	TMA	215.0	30.0

$Student_info data$

	code_module	code_presentation	id_student	gender	region	\
0	AAA	2013J	11391	M	East Anglian Region	
1	AAA	2013J	28400	F	Scotland	
2	AAA	2013J	30268	F	North Western Region	
3	AAA	2013J	31604	F	South East Region	
4	AAA	2013J	32885	F	West Midlands Region	

	highest_education	imd_band	age_band	<pre>num_of_prev_attempts</pre>	\
0	HE Qualification	90-100%	55<=	0	
1	HE Qualification	20-30%	35-55	0	
2	A Level or Equivalent	30-40%	35-55	0	
3	A Level or Equivalent	50-60%	35-55	0	
4	Lower Than A Level	50-60%	0-35	0	

studied_credits disability final_result

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0
                    240
                                N
                                          Pass
                     60
     1
                                N
                                          Pass
     2
                     60
                                Y
                                     Withdrawn
     3
                     60
                                N
                                          Pass
     4
                                N
                     60
                                          Pass
[26]: ###Merge the datasets based on relevant keys to create a unified dataset for
      \rightarrow analysis.
[68]: # Merge assessments with student assessments on assessment ID
     merged_data = pd.merge(student_assessments, assessments, on='id_assessment')
     # Merge the result with courses to get course information
     merged_data = pd.merge(merged_data, courses, on=['code_module',__
      merged_data = pd.merge(merged_data, student_info, on=['id_student',__
      [69]:
     print(merged_data.describe())
            id_assessment
                             id_student
                                        date_submitted
                                                            is_banked
                                         173912.000000
                                                       173912.000000
            173912.000000
                          1.739120e+05
     count
             26553.803556
                          7.051507e+05
                                             116.032942
                                                             0.010977
     mean
     std
              8829.784254
                          5.523952e+05
                                             71.484148
                                                             0.104194
              1752.000000
                          6.516000e+03
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     min
             15022.000000
     25%
                           5.044290e+05
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     50%
             25359.000000
                          5.852080e+05
                                            116.000000
                                                             0.000000
     75%
             34883.000000
                           6.344980e+05
                                            173.000000
                                                             0.000000
     max
             37443.000000
                           2.698588e+06
                                            608.000000
                                                             1.000000
                    score
                                    date
                                                weight
            173739.000000
                           171047.000000
                                         173912.000000
     count
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75%	90.000000	214.00000	0 18.000000	
max	100.000000	261.00000	0 100.000000	
	module_presentat	ion_length	<pre>num_of_prev_attempts</pre>	studied_credits
count	173	912.000000	173912.000000	173912.000000
mean	:	255.233831	0.144907	76.779147
std		13.579401	0.445326	37.341741
min	:	234.000000	0.000000	30.000000
25%	:	240.000000	0.000000	60.000000
50%		262.000000	0.000000	60.000000

130.605623

78.025175

12.000000

54.000000

129.000000

mean

std

min

25%

50%

75.799573

18.798107

65.000000

80.000000

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12.743899

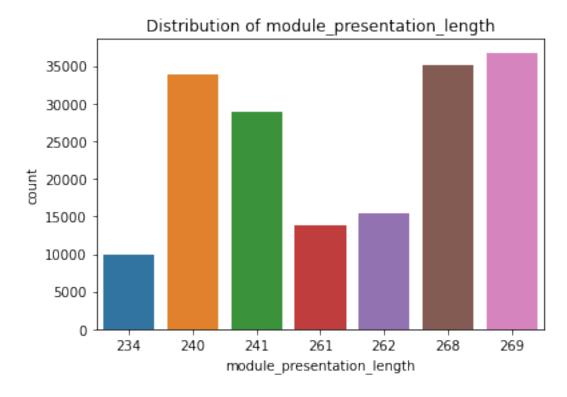
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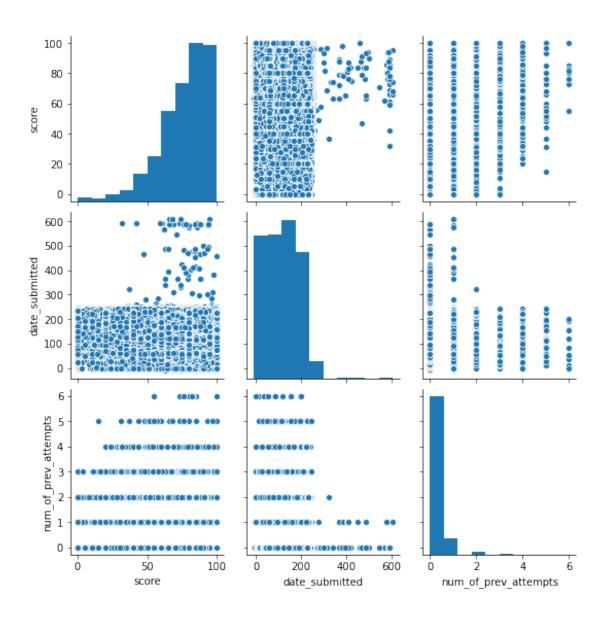
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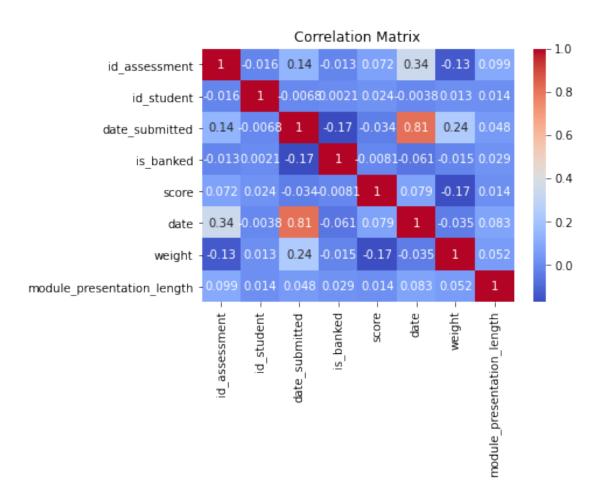
75% 268.000000 0.000000 90.0000000 max 269.000000 6.000000 630.000000

[70]: ### Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)





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[52]: # Correlation matrix
    corr_matrix = merged_data.corr()
    sns.heatmap(corr_matrix, annot=True, cmap='coolwarm')
    plt.title('Correlation Matrix')
    plt.show()
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The matrix suggests that factors like score, date_submitted, and weight have more substantial impacts on module completion rates

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[53]: ###Data Cleaning

[75]: # Check for missing values
    print(merged_data.isnull().sum())

# Handle missing values
    merged_data = merged_data.dropna()

# Feature Engineering: Create aggregated features
    # For example, calculate the total score per course per student
    merged_data['total_score'] = merged_data.groupby(['id_student', 'code_module', \_ \_ \_ 'code_presentation'])['score'].transform('sum')

# Drop duplicates or redundant columns if any
    merged_data = merged_data.drop_duplicates(subset=['id_student', 'code_module', \_ \_ \_ \_ 'code_presentation'])
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id_assessment
                                    0
     id_student
                                    0
     date_submitted
                                    0
     is banked
                                    0
     score
                                  173
     code module
                                    0
     code_presentation
                                    0
     assessment_type
                                 2865
     date
     weight
                                    0
     module_presentation_length
                                    0
                                    0
     gender
                                    0
     region
     highest_education
                                    0
                                 7697
     imd_band
                                    0
     age_band
     num_of_prev_attempts
                                    0
                                    0
     studied_credits
     disability
                                    0
     final result
                                    0
     dtype: int64
[82]: # One-hot encoding for categorical features
     categorical_features = ['code_module', 'code_presentation', 'gender', 'region',_
      encoded_data = pd.get_dummies(merged_data[categorical_features],_

drop_first=True)

     # Combine with the rest of the data
     final_data = pd.concat([merged_data, encoded_data], axis=1)
     final_data.drop(categorical_features, axis=1, inplace=True)
[56]: ## Data preparation
[83]: # Select predictors and target variable
     X = final_data[['total_score', 'date', 'weight']] # Select relevant predictors
     y = final_data['module_presentation_length'] # Continuous target: length of
      → the module presentation
     # Train-test split
     from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
     →random_state=42)
     # Standardization (if necessary)
     from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
     scaler = StandardScaler()
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X_test = scaler.transform(X_test)
[57]: ## Model Building: Linear Regression
[98]: # LinearRegression model
      model = LinearRegression()
      model.fit(X_train, y_train)
      y_pred = model.predict(X_test) # prediction
      # Model Evaluation
      mse = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred)
      r2 = r2_score(y_test, y_pred)
      print(f'Mean Squared Error: {mse}')
      print(f'R-squared: {r2}')
      # Coefficients interpretation
      coefficients = pd.DataFrame(model.coef_, X.columns, columns=['Coefficient'])
      print(coefficients)
      # Logistic Regression Model
      log_reg = LogisticRegression(max_iter=1000)
      log_reg.fit(X_train, y_train)
      y_pred_lr = log_reg.predict(X_test)
      # Model Evaluation
      print("\n\nLogistic Regression:\n\n")
      print(f'Accuracy: {accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred_lr)}')
      print(confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred_lr))
      print(classification_report(y_test, y_pred_lr))
     Mean Squared Error: 168.54732316882414
     R-squared: 0.020088379419650915
                  Coefficient
     total_score
                    -1.394672
     date
                    0.808240
     weight
                     1.014224
     Logistic Regression:
     Accuracy: 0.4300100704934542
     [[244 0
                 0
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      [ 0 278 52
                     0 77 252 55]
      [ 0 0 156 29 79 161 434]
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X_train = scaler.fit_transform(X_train)

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0 176 32
                              0 2401
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                                  3]
                 3
      93 431 181]
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                        99 315 490]]
                   precision
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              262
                         0.59
                                   0.82
                                             0.69
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              268
                        0.37
                                   0.43
                                             0.40
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                         0.35
              269
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                                             0.39
                                                        1087
                                             0.43
                                                        4965
         accuracy
                         0.48
                                   0.48
                                             0.46
                                                        4965
        macro avg
     weighted avg
                         0.41
                                   0.43
                                             0.41
                                                        4965
[99]: # Random Forest Model
      rf_model = RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators=100, random_state=42)
      rf_model.fit(X_train, y_train)
      y_pred_rf = rf_model.predict(X_test)
      print("\n\nRandom Forest:\n\n")
      print(f'Accuracy: {accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred_rf)}')
      print(confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred_rf))
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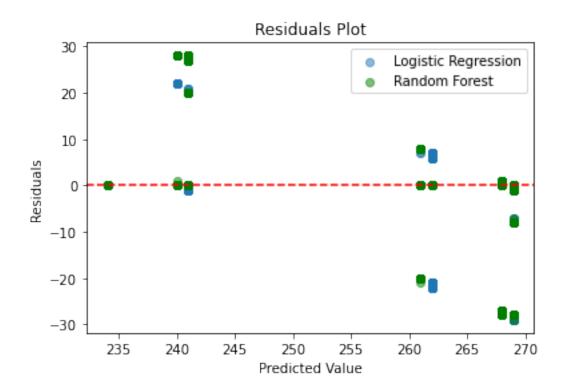
Random Forest:

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Accuracy: 0.611681772406848
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              precision
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         234
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         241
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                                                     859
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print(classification_report(y_test, y_pred_rf))

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261
                    0.54
                              0.62
                                         0.58
                                                    448
         262
                    1.00
                              1.00
                                         1.00
                                                    613
         268
                    0.56
                              0.56
                                         0.56
                                                   1000
         269
                   0.55
                              0.58
                                         0.56
                                                   1087
    accuracy
                                         0.61
                                                   4965
                                                   4965
   macro avg
                    0.66
                              0.67
                                         0.67
weighted avg
                    0.61
                              0.61
                                         0.61
                                                   4965
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[97]: ### Residual Analysis



2 Analysis

3 Linear Regression

MSE indicates the average squared difference between predicted and actual values. A higher MSE suggests that the model's predictions are not close to the actual values. R-squared is very low (0.020), meaning the model explains only 2% of the variance in the target variable. This suggests that the linear regression model is not suitable for this data.

4 Logistic Regression

Accuracy is 0.43, which is quite low and suggests that the model performs poorly in predicting module completion.

Precision and Recall vary significantly across classes, with high precision and recall for some classes (ex: Class 234) and very low for others (Ex: Class 261)

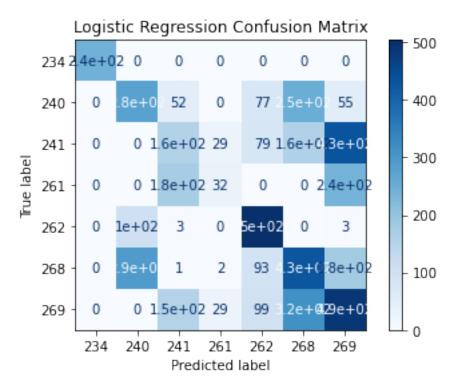
5 Random Forest

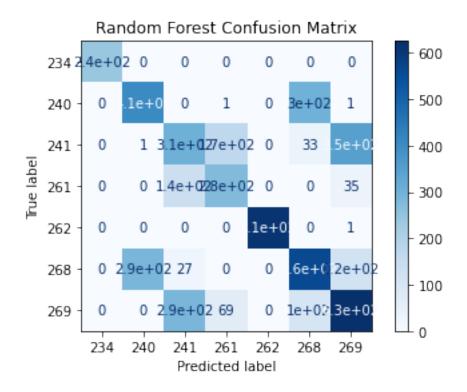
Accuracy is 0.61, indicating that the Random Forest model performs better than Logistic Regression. Precision and Recall are more balanced across classes compared to Logistic Regression.

6 Visualizing Model Performance

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# Logistic Regression Confusion Matrix
cm_lr = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred_lr)
disp_lr = ConfusionMatrixDisplay(confusion_matrix=cm_lr, display_labels=['234',u'240', '241', '261', '262', '268', '269'])
disp_lr.plot(cmap=plt.cm.Blues)
plt.title('Logistic Regression Confusion Matrix')
plt.show()

# Random Forest Confusion Matrix
cm_rf = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred_rf)
disp_rf = ConfusionMatrixDisplay(confusion_matrix=cm_rf, display_labels=['234',u'240', '241', '261', '262', '268', '269'])
disp_rf.plot(cmap=plt.cm.Blues)
plt.title('Random Forest Confusion Matrix')
plt.show()
```





7 Summary and Conclusion

Based on the model results, it concludes that the Logistic Regression model shows better performance than Linear Regression with an accuracy of 0.43. However, it struggles with class imbalance, and its precision/recall are inconsistent across classes. The Random Forest model has the highest accuracy (0.61) and provides more balanced precision and recall across different classes compared to Logistic Regression.

Random Forest is the best-performing model among the three for predicting module completion rates. It achieves the highest accuracy and shows more balanced performance across different classes.