

CSE422: Artificial Intelligence

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INTRODUCTION

Road accident severity prediction

The road accident severity prediction aims to develop a robust predictive model that can accurately assess the severity of road accidents. By analyzing various features such as Driving_experience, Area_accident_occured, Weather_conditions, and Number_of_casualties, etc, the project seeks to anticipate the potential severity of accidents.

The problem it is aiming to solve

The project addresses the significant issue of road accidents and their associated consequences, including fatalities. By developing a predictive model for road accident severity, the project aims to provide stakeholders with valuable insights to proactively mitigate the impact of accidents and improve road safety measures. The ultimate goal is to provide valuable insights to stakeholders such as law enforcement agencies, transportation authorities, and emergency responders, enabling them to allocate resources more effectively, implement preventive measures, and improve overall road safety.

Motivation Behind the Project

The motivation stems from the urgent need to enhance road safety and reduce the human and economic toll of road accidents. With road accidents posing a continuous threat to public safety worldwide, there's a pressing need for proactive measures to address this issue. By leveraging machine learning models and techniques to predict accident severity, the project aims to empower stakeholders with the tools and information needed to prevent accidents, optimize emergency response efforts, and ultimately save lives.

DATASET DESCRIPTION

Source: Kaggle

Link: https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/kanuriviveknag/road-accidents-severity-dataset

Reference: Vivek Nag Kanuri

Dataset description

1. How many features:

There are 10 features initially. Such as: Day of week, Age band of driver, Sex of driver, Educational level, Vehicle driver relation, Driving experience, Type of vehicle, Owner of vehicle, Service year of vehicle, Defect of vehicle, Area accident occured, Lanes or Medians. Road allignment, Types of Junction, Road surface type, Road surface conditions, Light conditions, Weather conditions, Type of collision, Number of vehicles involved, Number of casualties, Vehicle movement, Casualty class, Sex of casualty, Age band of casualty, Casualty severity, Work of casuality, Fitness of casuality, Pedestrian movement, Cause of accident, Accident severity.

The outcome has 3 classes, 'Slight Injury', 'Serious Injury', 'Fatal Injury' After pre-processing there are 17 features.

2. Is this a classification or regression problem? Why do you think so?

For our project, we are addressing a multivalued classification problem. Classification involves the task of predicting categories or classes based on given input features. In the context of road accident severity prediction, our aim is to predict whether features like Driving experience, Weather conditions affect the accident severity. These outcomes, "Serious Injury" and "Slight Injury", "Fatal Injury" are distinct categories that we are trying to predict based on various accident related features. Therefore, the nature of our task, which involves predicting a categorical label (Serious Injury, Slight Injury, Fatal Injury) signifies that our project falls within the domain of classification problems.

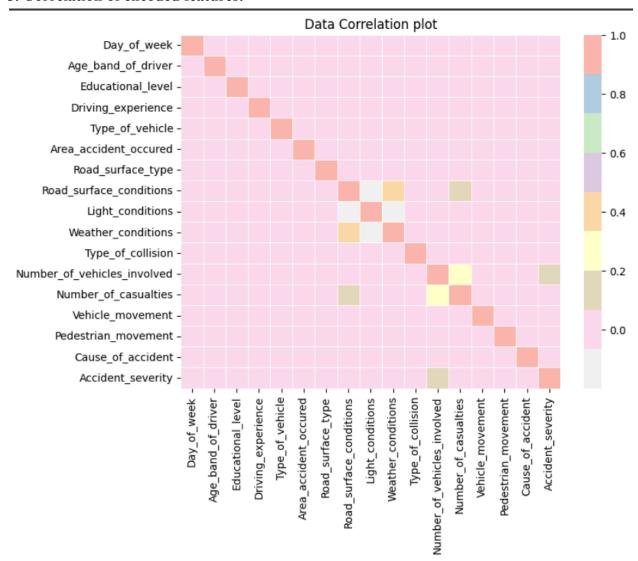
3. How many data points?

Initially 12316 After preprocessing 10932

4. What kind of features are in your dataset? Quantitative or categorical?

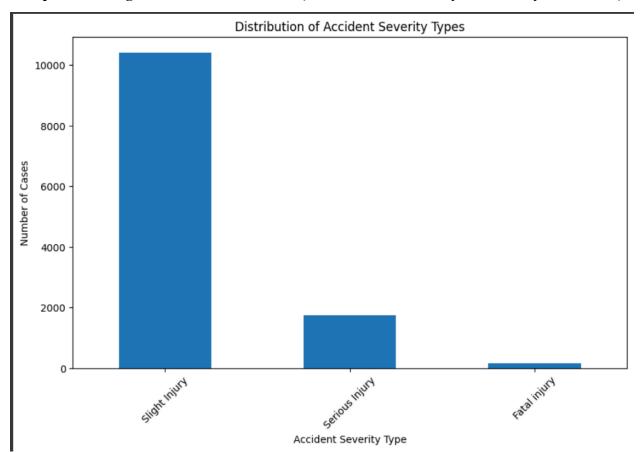
A combination of quantitative and categorical variables are present in the dataset for road accident severity prediction. Quantitative features are those that involve numerical measurements, such as Age_band_of_driver, Number_of_vehicles_involved, Number_of_casualties etc. These features have values that can be quantified and compared. Categorical features represent different categories or labels. For instance, features like "Area_accident_occured", "Light_conditions" provide descriptions of the area conditions during the accident in categorical terms. Similarly, "Accident_severity" is a categorical feature indicating whether it's serious, slight or fatal. These features help classify accident severity conditions into specific categories based on their descriptions.

5. Correlation of encoded features:



Imbalanced Dataset

- 1. For the output feature, do all unique classes have an equal number of instances or not? Ans: No
- 2. Represent using a bar chart of N classes (N=number of classes you have in your dataset).



DATASET PRE-PROCESSING

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Drop null value columns:

Drop null value rows:

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1 road2 = road2.dropna(axis = 0, subset = ['Vehicle_movement','Type_of_collision','Type_of_vehicle'])
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Impute values:

```
1 #Imputing values
2
3 from sklearn.impute import SimpleImputer
4
5 imputer = SimpleImputer(missing_values=np.nan, strategy='most_frequent')
6 imputer.fit(road2[['Educational_level']])
7 road2[['Educational_level']] = imputer.transform(road2[['Educational_level']])
8
9 imputer = SimpleImputer(missing_values=np.nan, strategy='most_frequent')
10 imputer.fit(road2[['Driving_experience']])
11 road2[['Driving_experience']] = imputer.transform(road2[['Driving_experience']])
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13 imputer = SimpleImputer(missing_values=np.nan, strategy='most_frequent')
14 imputer.fit(road2[['Area_accident_occured']])
15 road2[['Area_accident_occured']] = imputer.transform(road2[['Area_accident_occured']])
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17 imputer = SimpleImputer(missing_values=np.nan, strategy='most_frequent')
18 imputer.fit(road2[['Road_surface_type']])
11 road2[['Road_surface_type']] = imputer.transform(road2[['Road_surface_type']])
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Fault: Categorical values

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1 road.info()
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The object types are qualitative data while the int type data are quantitative.

Encoding:

It is necessary to replace categorical data with numerical data so that the computer can understand and recognize a pattern to make a prediction.

```
1 #Encoding features
 3 from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder
 6 columns_to_encode = ['Day_of_week',
 7 'Age_band_of_driver',
9 'Driving_experience',
10 'Type_of_vehicle',
11 'Area accident_occured',
12 'Road_surface_type',
13 'Road_surface_conditions',
14 'Light conditions',
15 'Weather conditions',
16 'Type_of_collision',
17 'Vehicle_movement',
18 'Pedestrian movement',
20 'Accident_severity']
22 # Initialize LabelEncoder
23 label_encoder = LabelEncoder()
26 for column in columns to encode:
       road2[column] = label_encoder.fit_transform(road2[column])
```

One of the problems that the algorithm often faces is that it gets biased towards larger values. To avoid this problem, we scale the numerical data to bring it in a small range.

DATASET SPLITTING

The data from the dataset was split into 70% for the training model, and 30% for the testing model.

MODEL TRAINING

In total, six machine learning models have been used for training in both scenarios of before oversampling and after oversampling. They are- Naive Bayes, Decision Tree, K-nearest Neighbors, Random Forest, Support Vector Machine, and MLP.

MODEL TESTING

After training, the six mentioned models were tested.

Before oversampling, the results of performance metrics like accuracy, precision, recall, F1-Score are given below-

Model	Accuracy (%)	Precision (%)	Recall (%)	F1-Score (%)
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Naive Bayes	82.74	76.60	82.74	76.59
Decision Tree	74.09	74.97	74.09	74.52
KNN	80.49	74.93	80.49	76.98
Random Forest	84.27	80.66	84.27	78.30
SVM	84.05	85.50	84.05	76.80
MLP	83.57	76.46	83.57	79.00

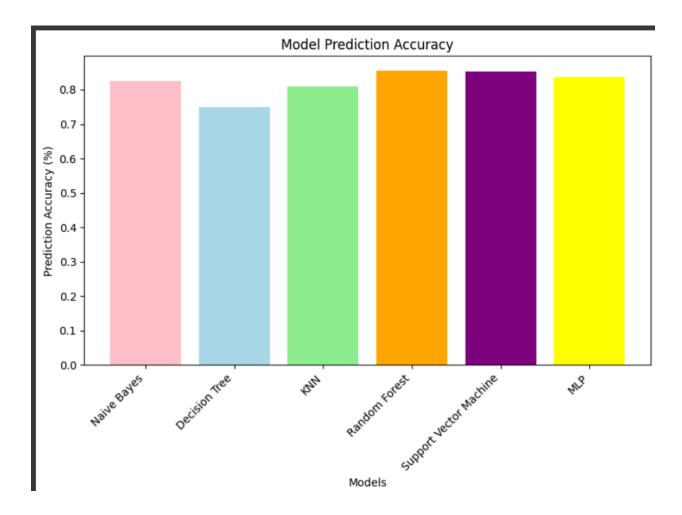
After oversampling, the results of performance metrics like accuracy, precision, recall, F1-Score are given below-

Model	Accuracy (%)	Precision (%)	Recall (%)	F1-Score (%)
Naive Bayes	43.93	43.70	43.93	42.15
Decision Tree	92.91	93.69	92.91	92.80
KNN	87.80	89.31	87.80	87.46
Random Forest	97.69	97.74	97.69	97.69
SVM	69.71	68.96	69.71	69.12
MLP	78.54	78.29	78.54	78.37

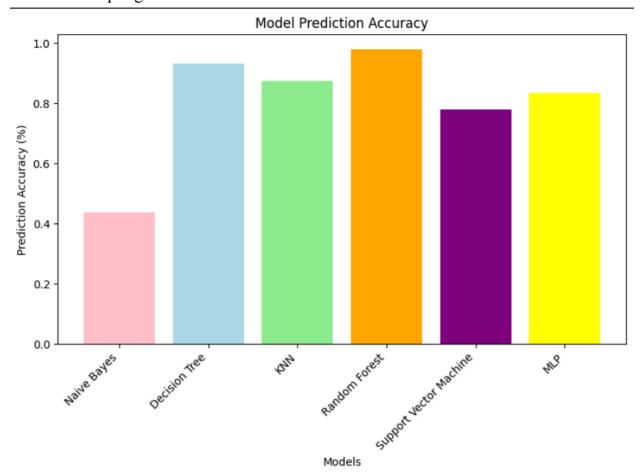
MODEL SELECTION/COMPARISON ANALYSIS

Barchart showcasing prediction accuracy of all models-

Before oversampling-



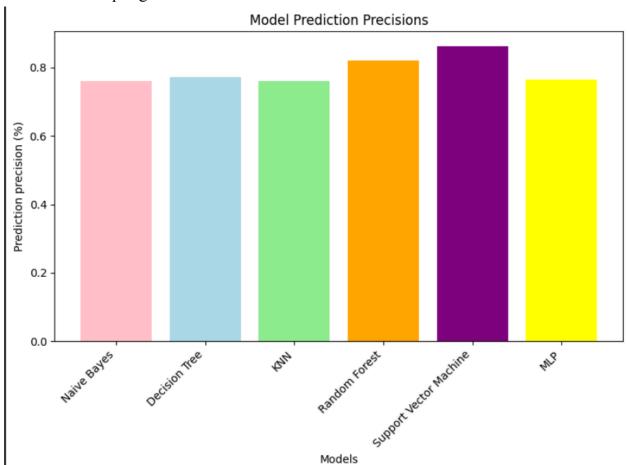
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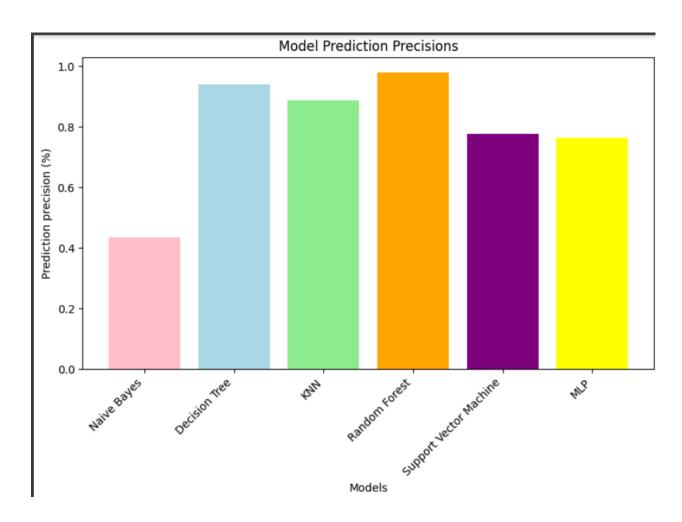


It can be seen that the accuracies before oversampling were above 0.70 for all the models. After oversampling, the accuracy of Naive Bayes, Support Vector Machine, MLP dropped to below 0.50, 0.70, 0.80 respectively, but on the other hand the accuracies of Decision Tree, Random Forest were boosted to above 0.90, and KNN jumped to 0.87.

Precision comparison of each model:

Before oversampling-

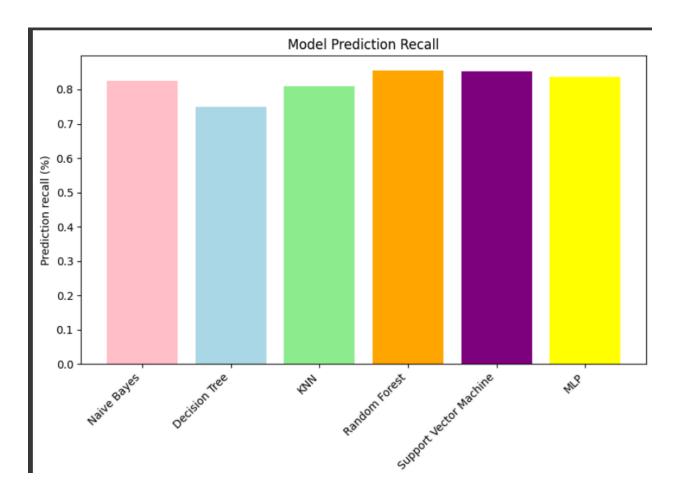


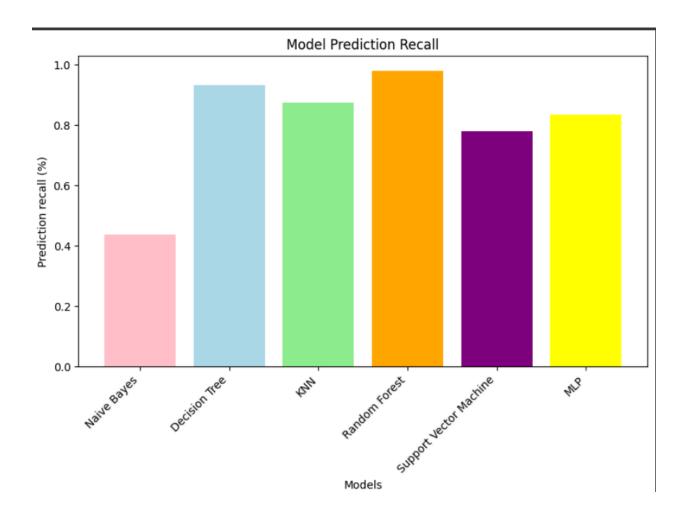


It is evident that before oversampling, the recall for each of the six models is above 0.70. But after oversampling, the precision of Naive Bayes and Support Vector Machine decreased significantly to below 0.50 and 0.70, respectively. While the other four models were able to reach precision levels of around 0.78 (MLP), 0.87 (KNN) and above 0.90 (Decision Tree, Random Forest).

Recall comparison of each model:

Before oversampling:



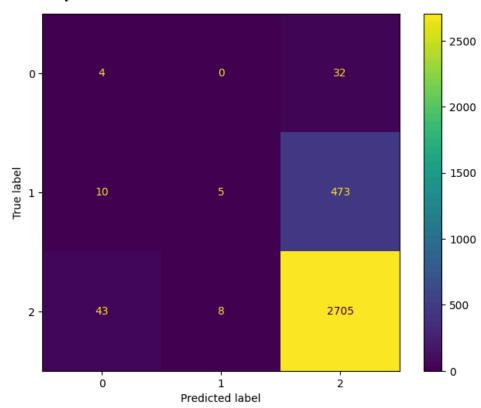


It is evident that before oversampling, the recall for each of the six models is above 0.70. But after oversampling, the recall of Naive Bayes, Support Vector Machine, MLP decreased significantly to below 0.50, 0.70, and 0.80 respectively. While the other three models were able to reach recall levels of around 0.87 (KNN) and above 0.90 (Decision Tree, Random Forest).

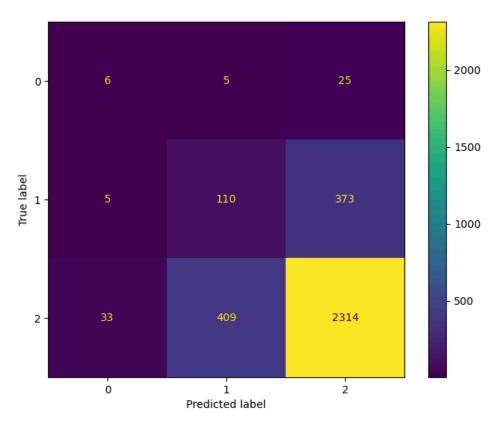
Confusion Matrix:

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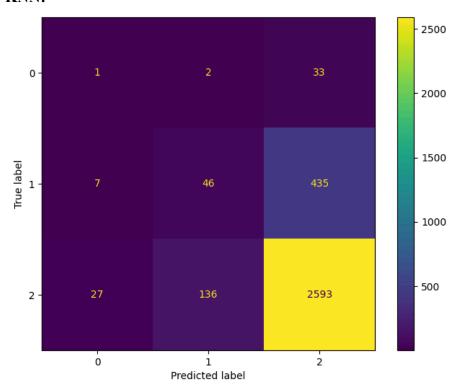
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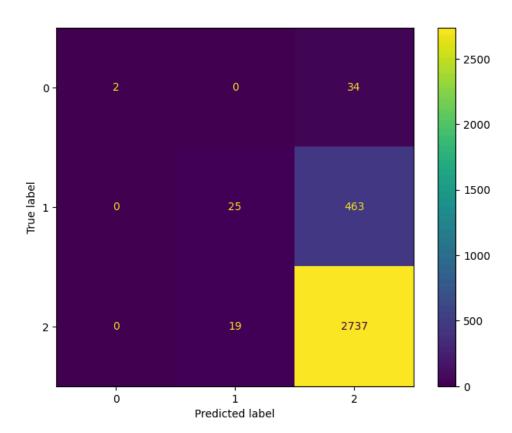
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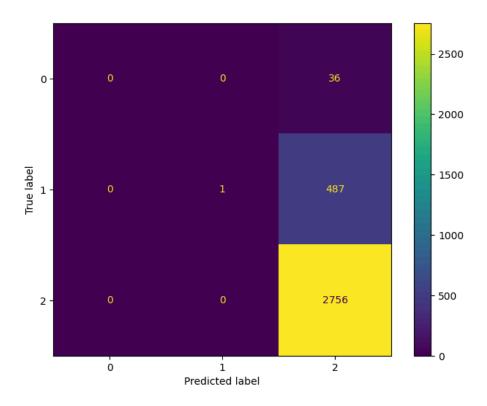


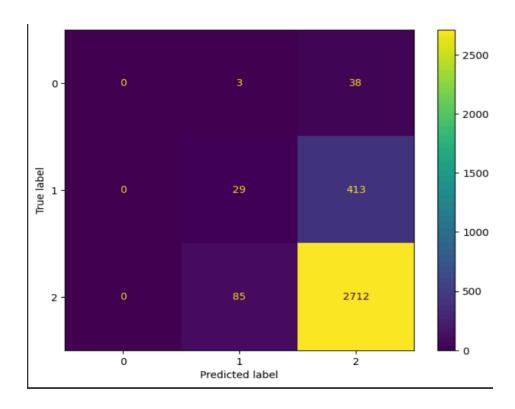
KNN:



Random Forest:

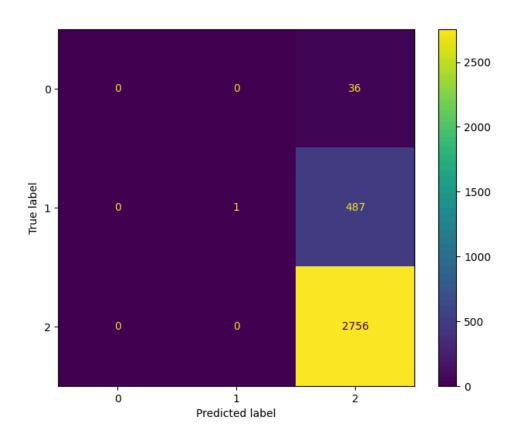




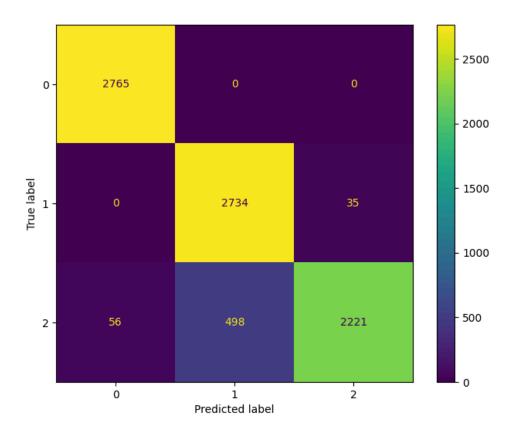


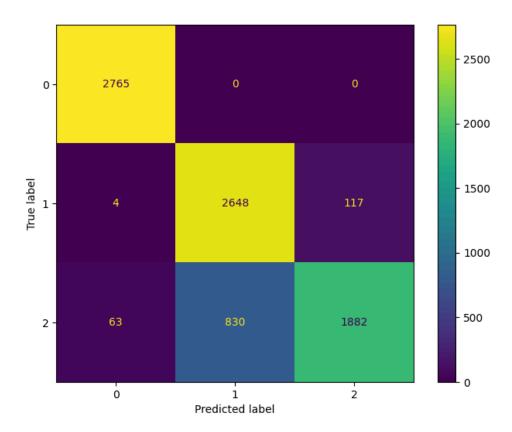
After oversampling:

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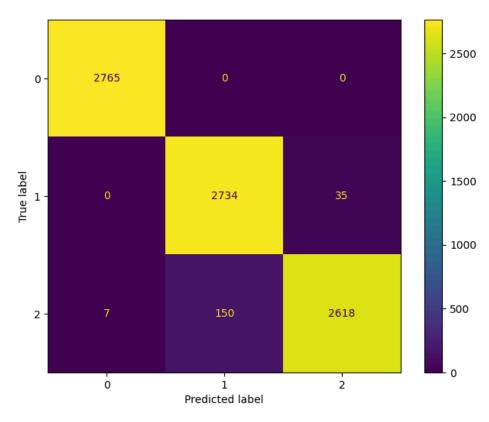


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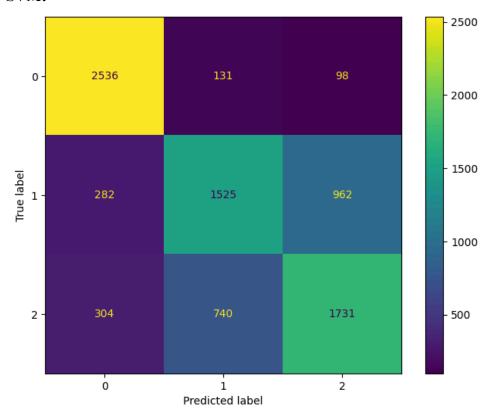




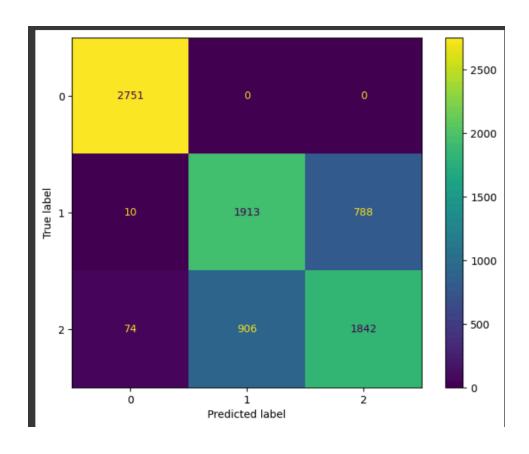
Random Forest:



SVM:



MLP:



A total of six machine learning algorithms were run, results before oversampling and after oversampling were recorded. Obtained results were accuracies, precisions, recall and F1-score of above 0.70 from scenarios of before oversampling. After the sampling the results of accuracy recorded varied significantly as three of the models were now able to reach 0.90 excluding Naive Bayes, SVM, MLP which performed worse than the other models.

As a result of the insights gained from this study, machine learning in road accident severity assessment can be implemented practically in the future. This development holds substantial ramifications in terms of enhancing global public awareness. In essence, AI holds promise in revolutionizing road safety measures and ensuring the fundamental human right to safe mobility. Through the proactive use of AI technologies, we can strive towards a future where road accidents are minimized, and every individual has the opportunity to travel safely.