# Lab 8: Define and Solve an ML Problem of Your Choosing

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In [1]: import pandas as pd
   import numpy as np
   import os
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
   import seaborn as sns
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In this lab assignment, you will follow the machine learning life cycle and implement a model to solve a machine learning problem of your choosing. You will select a data set and choose a predictive problem that the data set supports. You will then inspect the data with your problem in mind and begin to formulate a project plan. You will then implement the machine learning project plan.

You will complete the following tasks:

- 1. Build Your DataFrame
- 2. Define Your ML Problem
- 3. Perform exploratory data analysis to understand your data.
- 4. Define Your Project Plan
- 5. Implement Your Project Plan:
  - Prepare your data for your model.
  - Fit your model to the training data and evaluate your model.
  - Improve your model's performance.

## Part 1: Build Your DataFrame

You will have the option to choose one of four data sets that you have worked with in this program:

- The "census" data set that contains Census information from 1994: censusData.csv
- Airbnb NYC "listings" data set: airbnbListingsData.csv
- World Happiness Report (WHR) data set: WHR2018Chapter2OnlineData.csv
- Book Review data set: bookReviewsData.csv

Note that these are variations of the data sets that you have worked with in this program. For example, some do not include some of the preprocessing necessary for specific models.

#### Load a Data Set and Save it as a Pandas DataFrame

The code cell below contains filenames (path + filename) for each of the four data sets available to you.

**Task:** In the code cell below, use the same method you have been using to load the data using pd.read\_csv() and save it to DataFrame df.

You can load each file as a new DataFrame to inspect the data before choosing your data set.

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In [2]: # File names of the four data sets
    adultDataSet_filename = os.path.join(os.getcwd(), "data", "censusData.csv")
    airbnbDataSet_filename = os.path.join(os.getcwd(), "data", "airbnbListingsData.csv"
    WHRDataSet_filename = os.path.join(os.getcwd(), "data", "WHR2018Chapter2OnlineData.
    bookReviewDataSet_filename = os.path.join(os.getcwd(), "data", "bookReviewsData.csv

    df = pd.read_csv(adultDataSet_filename, header=0)

    df.head()
    # df.head(25)
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#### Out[2]:

	age	workclass	fnlwgt	education	education- num	marital- status	occupation	relationship	rac
0	39.0	State-gov	77516	Bachelors	13	Never- married	Adm- clerical	Not-in- family	Whit
1	50.0	Self-emp- not-inc	83311	Bachelors	13	Married- civ- spouse	Exec- managerial	Husband	Whit
2	38.0	Private	215646	HS-grad	9	Divorced	Handlers- cleaners	Not-in- family	Whit
3	53.0	Private	234721	11th	7	Married- civ- spouse	Handlers- cleaners	Husband	Blac
4	28.0	Private	338409	Bachelors	13	Married- civ- spouse	Prof- specialty	Wife	Blac

### Part 2: Define Your ML Problem

Next you will formulate your ML Problem. In the markdown cell below, answer the following questions:

- 1. List the data set you have chosen.
- 2. What will you be predicting? What is the label?
- 3. Is this a supervised or unsupervised learning problem? Is this a clustering, classification or regression problem? Is it a binary classification or multi-class classifiction problem?
- 4. What are your features? (note: this list may change after your explore your data)
- 5. Explain why this is an important problem. In other words, how would a company create value with a model that predicts this label?

<Double click this Markdown cell to make it editable, and record your answers here.>

- 1. I chose the census data set.
- 2. I am predicting whether a person's income is greater than 50k or not, so the label is 'income\_binary' and will contain True or False.
- 3. This is a supervised learning problem with binary classification as there are only two options.
- 4. Features for now are all other columns that are not the label.
- 5. This is an important problem because it is important that employees of a company are being paid sufficient amounts of money for their labor. A company, if they cared, would care about the welfare of their employees and want to make sure they pay their workers enough so that they do not fall below the poverty line.

## Part 3: Understand Your Data

The next step is to perform exploratory data analysis. Inspect and analyze your data set with your machine learning problem in mind. Consider the following as you inspect your data:

- What data preparation techniques would you like to use? These data preparation techniques may include:
  - addressing missingness, such as replacing missing values with means
  - finding and replacing outliers
  - renaming features and labels
  - finding and replacing outliers
  - performing feature engineering techniques such as one-hot encoding on categorical features
  - · selecting appropriate features and removing irrelevant features
  - performing specific data cleaning and preprocessing techniques for an NLP problem

- addressing class imbalance in your data sample to promote fair Al
- 2. What machine learning model (or models) you would like to use that is suitable for your predictive problem and data?
  - Are there other data preparation techniques that you will need to apply to build a balanced modeling data set for your problem and model? For example, will you need to scale your data?
- 3. How will you evaluate and improve the model's performance?
  - Are there specific evaluation metrics and methods that are appropriate for your model?

Think of the different techniques you have used to inspect and analyze your data in this course. These include using Pandas to apply data filters, using the Pandas <code>describe()</code> method to get insight into key statistics for each column, using the Pandas <code>dtypes</code> property to inspect the data type of each column, and using Matplotlib and Seaborn to detect outliers and visualize relationships between features and labels. If you are working on a classification problem, use techniques you have learned to determine if there is class imbalance.

**Task**: Use the techniques you have learned in this course to inspect and analyze your data. You can import additional packages that you have used in this course that you will need to perform this task.

**Note**: You can add code cells if needed by going to the **Insert** menu and clicking on **Insert Cell Below** in the drop-drown menu.

```
In [3]: # preparing label
        df.dropna(axis=0, inplace=True)
        df.drop(columns=['fnlwgt'], inplace=True)
        df_income_bin = pd.get_dummies(df['income_binary'], prefix='income_binary_')
        # df_income_bin.drop(columns = df_income_bin['income_binary_<=50k'], inplace=True)
        df_income_bin.columns
Out[3]: Index(['income_binary__<=50K', 'income_binary__>50K'], dtype='object')
In [4]: # Concatenate DataFrame df with the one-hot encoded DataFrame df Married
        df = df.join(df_income_bin['income_binary__>50K'])
        # Remove the original 'Married' column from DataFrame df
        df.drop(columns = ['income_binary'], inplace=True)
        df.columns
Out[4]: Index(['age', 'workclass', 'education', 'education-num', 'marital-status',
                'occupation', 'relationship', 'race', 'sex_selfID', 'capital-gain',
                'capital-loss', 'hours-per-week', 'native-country',
                'income_binary__>50K'],
              dtype='object')
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In [5]: # One hot encoding - object dtypes
        to_encode = list(df.select_dtypes(include=['object']).columns)
        to encode
Out[5]: ['workclass',
          'education',
         'marital-status',
         'occupation',
         'relationship',
          'race',
          'sex_selfID',
         'native-country']
In [6]: df[to_encode].nunique()
Out[6]: workclass
                           7
        education
                          16
        marital-status
                           7
        occupation
                          14
        relationship
        race
        sex_selfID
                           2
        native-country
                          41
        dtype: int64
In [7]: # Checking each object type column to one hot encode with pandas
        # inspect
        df['workclass'].unique()
        # tHERE ARE 7
Out[7]: array(['State-gov', 'Self-emp-not-inc', 'Private', 'Federal-gov',
                'Local-gov', 'Self-emp-inc', 'Without-pay'], dtype=object)
In [8]: # dropping missing values
        df.dropna(axis=0, inplace=True)
        df['workclass'].unique()
Out[8]: array(['State-gov', 'Self-emp-not-inc', 'Private', 'Federal-gov',
                'Local-gov', 'Self-emp-inc', 'Without-pay'], dtype=object)
In [9]: # Use pd.get_dummies() to create a new DataFrame with the one-hot encoded values.
        df_workclass = pd.get_dummies(df['workclass'], prefix='workclass_')
        df_workclass
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Out[9]:		workclassFederal- gov	workclass_Local- gov	workclass_Private	workclass_Self- emp-inc	workclas emp-
	0	0	0	0	0	
	1	0	0	0	0	
	2	0	0	1	0	
	3	0	0	1	0	
	4	0	0	1	0	
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	32556	0	0	1	0	
	32557	0	0	1	0	
	32558	0	0	1	0	
	32559	0	0	1	0	
	32560	0	0	0	1	

29716 rows × 7 columns

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In [10]: | # Concatenate DataFrame df with the one-hot encoded DataFrame df_workclass
         df = df.join(df_workclass)
         # Remove the original 'workclass' column from DataFrame df
         df.drop(columns = 'workclass', inplace=True)
         # df.head()
In [11]: | top_10_edu = list(df['education'].value_counts().head(10).index)
         top_10_edu
Out[11]: ['HS-grad',
           'Some-college',
           'Bachelors',
           'Masters',
           'Assoc-voc',
           '11th',
           'Assoc-acdm',
           '10th',
           '7th-8th',
           'Prof-school']
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In [12]: for value in top_10_edu:
    ## Create columns and their values
    df['edu_'+ value] = np.where(df['education']==value,1,0)

# Remove the original column from your DataFrame df
df.drop(columns = 'education', inplace=True)
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In [13]: # Use pd.get\_dummies() to create a new DataFrame with the one-hot encoded values.

df\_marital = pd.get\_dummies(df['marital-status'], prefix='marital-status\_')

df\_marital

status_Never		marital- status_Married- civ-spouse	marital- status_Married- AF-spouse	marital- status_Divorced		Out[13]:
1	0	0	0	0	0	
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(	0	1	0	0	3	
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(	0	1	0	0	32557	
(	0	0	0	0	32558	
1	0	0	0	0	32559	
(	0	1	0	0	32560	

29716 rows × 7 columns

top\_10\_occup

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In [14]: # Concatenate DataFrame df with the one-hot encoded DataFrame df_workclass
df = df.join(df_marital)

# Remove the original 'workclass' column from DataFrame df
df.drop(columns = 'marital-status', inplace=True)
# df.head()
In [15]: top_10_occup = list(df['occupation'].value_counts().head(10).index)
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Out[15]: ['Prof-specialty',
           'Craft-repair',
           'Exec-managerial',
           'Adm-clerical',
           'Sales',
           'Other-service',
           'Machine-op-inspct',
           'Transport-moving',
           'Handlers-cleaners',
           'Farming-fishing']
In [16]: | for value in top_10_occup:
             ## Create columns and their values
             df['occup_'+ value] = np.where(df['occupation']==value,1,0)
         # Remove the original column from your DataFrame df
         df.drop(columns = 'occupation', inplace=True)
In [17]: | df_relationship = pd.get_dummies(df['relationship'], prefix= 'relationship_')
         df_relationship
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Out[17]:		relationship_Husband	relationship_Not- in-family	relationship_Other- relative	relationship_Own- child
	0	0	1	0	0
	1	1	0	0	0
	2	0	1	0	0
	3	1	0	0	0
	4	0	0	0	0
	•••				
	32556	0	0	0	0
	32557	1	0	0	0
	32558	0	0	0	0
	32559	0	0	0	1
	32560	0	0	0	0

29716 rows × 6 columns

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In [18]: # Concatenate DataFrame df with the one-hot encoded DataFrame df_workclass
df = df.join(df_relationship)

# Remove the original 'workclass' column from DataFrame df
df.drop(columns = 'relationship', inplace=True)
# df.head()
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In [19]: df_race = pd.get_dummies(df['race'], prefix= 'race_')
df_race
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Out[19]:		race_Amer-Indian- Inuit	raceAsian-Pac- Islander	race_Black	race_Other	raceWhite
	0	0	0	0	0	1
	1	0	0	0	0	1
	2	0	0	0	0	1
	3	0	0	1	0	0
	4	0	0	1	0	0
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	32556	0	0	0	0	1
	32557	0	0	0	0	1
	32558	0	0	0	0	1
	32559	0	0	0	0	1
	32560	0	0	0	0	1

29716 rows × 5 columns

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In [20]: # Concatenate DataFrame df with the one-hot encoded DataFrame df_workclass
    df = df.join(df_race)

# Remove the original 'workclass' column from DataFrame df
    df.drop(columns = 'race', inplace=True)
    # df.head()

In [21]: df_sex = pd.get_dummies(df['sex_selfID'], prefix= 'sex_selfID_')
    df_sex
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Out[21]:	sex_selfID_	_Female	sex_selfID_	_Non-Female		
	0	0		1		
	1	0		1		
	2	0		1		
	3	0		1		
	4	1		0		
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	32556	1		0		
	32557	0		1		
	32558	1		0		
	32559	0		1		
	32560	1		0		
In [23]:	<pre># Remove the ori df.drop(columns # df.head()  top_10_native = top_10_native</pre>	= 'sex_s	elfID', in	olace=True)	rame df unts().head(10).in	dex)
Out[23]:	['United-States' 'Mexico', 'Philippines', 'Germany', 'Puerto-Rico', 'Canada', 'El-Salvador', 'India', 'Cuba', 'England']	,				
In [24]:	for value in top	_10_nati	ve:			
	## Create co df['native-co				rive-country']==va	lue,1,0)
	# Remove the ori				:	

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In [25]: df.columns
Out[25]: Index(['age', 'education-num', 'capital-gain', 'capital-loss',
                 'hours-per-week', 'income_binary__>50K', 'workclass__Federal-gov',
                 'workclass__Local-gov', 'workclass__Private', 'workclass__Self-emp-inc',
                 'workclass__Self-emp-not-inc', 'workclass__State-gov',
                 'workclass__Without-pay', 'edu_HS-grad', 'edu_Some-college',
                 'edu_Bachelors', 'edu_Masters', 'edu_Assoc-voc', 'edu_11th',
                 'edu_Assoc-acdm', 'edu_10th', 'edu_7th-8th', 'edu_Prof-school',
                 'marital-status__Divorced', 'marital-status__Married-AF-spouse',
                 'marital-status__Married-civ-spouse',
                 'marital-status__Married-spouse-absent',
                 'marital-status__Never-married', 'marital-status__Separated',
                 'marital-status__Widowed', 'occup_Prof-specialty', 'occup_Craft-repair',
                 'occup_Exec-managerial', 'occup_Adm-clerical', 'occup_Sales',
                 'occup_Other-service', 'occup_Machine-op-inspct',
                 \verb|'occup_Transport-moving', \verb|'occup_Handlers-cleaners'|,
                 'occup_Farming-fishing', 'relationship__Husband',
                 'relationship__Not-in-family', 'relationship__Other-relative',
                 'relationship__Own-child', 'relationship__Unmarried',
                 'relationship__Wife', 'race__Amer-Indian-Inuit',
                 'race__Asian-Pac-Islander', 'race__Black', 'race__Other', 'race__White',
                 'sex_selfID__Female', 'sex_selfID__Non-Female',
                 'native-country_United-States', 'native-country_Mexico',
                 'native-country_Philippines', 'native-country_Germany',
                 'native-country_Puerto-Rico', 'native-country_Canada',
                 'native-country_El-Salvador', 'native-country_India',
                 'native-country_Cuba', 'native-country_England'],
                dtype='object')
In [26]: import scipy.stats as stats
In [27]: # winsorizing - outliers section
         df['education_years'] = stats.mstats.winsorize(df['education-num'], limits=[0.01, 0
In [28]: # Check that the values of education-num and education_years are not identical.
         column_ranges = np.subtract(df['education-num'], df['education_years'])
         column_ranges.unique()
         # truth = df['education-num'] == df['education_years']
         # truth
Out[28]: array([ 0, -2, -1])
In [29]: # section - Finding and Replacing Missing Data
         nan_count = np.sum(df.isnull(), axis = 0)
         nan_count
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Out[29]:	age	0
	education-num	0
	capital-gain	0
	capital-loss	0
	hours-per-week	0
	native-country_El-Salvador	0
	native-country_India	0
	native-country_Cuba	0
	native-country_England	0
	education_years	0
	Length: 64, dtype: int64	

In [30]: df.corr()

Out[30]:

	age	education- num	capital- gain	capital- loss	hours- per-week	income_binary>5
age	1.000000	0.044791	0.127287	0.061304	0.100036	0.2420
education-num	0.044791	1.000000	0.167011	0.079042	0.151987	0.3350
capital-gain	0.127287	0.167011	1.000000	-0.056215	0.102879	0.3445
capital-loss	0.061304	0.079042	-0.056215	1.000000	0.052593	0.1503
hours-per-week	0.100036	0.151987	0.102879	0.052593	1.000000	0.2297
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native- country_El- Salvador	-0.017085	-0.071137	-0.001828	-0.010306	-0.018463	-0.0209
native- country_India	-0.001314	0.051291	0.009643	0.006401	0.003459	0.0198
native- country_Cuba	0.030073	-0.009352	-0.005676	-0.002253	-0.005639	0.0029
native- country_England	0.012729	0.021846	0.005011	0.000276	0.007795	0.0127
education_years	0.046422	0.999193	0.168127	0.079609	0.152658	0.3367

64 rows × 64 columns

In [31]: df.corr()['income\_binary\_\_>50K']

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Out[31]: age
                                       0.242038
         education-num
                                       0.335094
         capital-gain
                                       0.344562
         capital-loss
                                       0.150386
         hours-per-week
                                       0.229702
                                         . . .
         native-country El-Salvador -0.020912
                                     0.019805
         native-country_India
         native-country_Cuba
                                       0.002923
         native-country_England
                                     0.012723
         education_years
                                       0.336730
         Name: income_binary__>50K, Length: 64, dtype: float64
In [32]:
         # Do not remove or edit the line below:
         corrs = df.corr()['income_binary__>50K'].drop(['income_binary__>50K', 'education-nu')
         corrs_sorted = corrs.sort_values(ascending=False)
         corrs_sorted
Out[32]: marital-status Married-civ-spouse
                                               0.445283
         relationship__Husband
                                               0.400821
         capital-gain
                                               0.344562
         education_years
                                               0.336730
                                               0.242038
         age
         occup Other-service
                                              -0.165513
         relationship Not-in-family
                                              -0.193098
         sex_selfID__Female
                                              -0.216267
         relationship Own-child
                                              -0.226255
         marital-status__Never-married
                                             -0.320415
         Name: income_binary__>50K, Length: 62, dtype: float64
In [33]: # drop uncorrelated
         list = corrs.sort_values(ascending=True) > 0
         newlist = ['relationship_Husband',
                'marital-status__Married-civ-spouse', 'income_binary__>50K']
         # dropthis = df.columns != newlist
         # dropthis
         df_linear = df[newlist]
         # df.drop(['marital-status_Never-married', 'relationship_Own-child', 'sex_selfID_
In [34]: | X = df_linear.drop(columns = 'income_binary__>50K', axis=1)
         y = df_linear['income_binary__>50K'] # Label
In [35]: | corrs = df_linear.corr()['income_binary__>50K'].drop(['income_binary__>50K'], axis
         corrs_sorted = corrs.sort_values(ascending=False)
         corrs_sorted
Out[35]: marital-status__Married-civ-spouse
                                               0.445283
         relationship__Husband
                                               0.400821
         Name: income_binary__>50K, dtype: float64
In [36]: df_linear.shape
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Out[36]: (29716, 3)

## Part 4: Define Your Project Plan

Now that you understand your data, in the markdown cell below, define your plan to implement the remaining phases of the machine learning life cycle (data preparation, modeling, evaluation) to solve your ML problem. Answer the following questions:

- Do you have a new feature list? If so, what are the features that you chose to keep and remove after inspecting the data?
- Explain different data preparation techniques that you will use to prepare your data for modeling.
- What is your model (or models)?
- Describe your plan to train your model, analyze its performance and then improve the model. That is, describe your model building, validation and selection plan to produce a model that generalizes well to new data.
- <Double click this Markdown cell to make it editable, and record your answers here.>
  - I do have a new feature list. After inspecting the data, there were some null categories and values within the feature columns. I removed those and removed unnecessary columns like 'fnlwgt' which has meaning to predicting the label.
  - Different data preparation techniques I used:
    - one hot encoding to transform categorical data into numbers so that the computer can understand and try to predict the label better.
    - transformed data of 'income\_binary' to properly represent the label, is the person's income greater than 50k or not. I had to remove 'income\_binary' and replace it with 'income\_binary\_>50k' with values 0 for FALSE and 1 for TRUE.
    - After experimenting and trying to train a Logisitic Regression model:
      - will deal with outliers found in education, age, and hours-per-week.
      - o find which features are most corrolated with the label
  - I am planning to have 4 models:
  - I did not end up using a Logistic Regression model because I kept getting warnings of non-covergance
    - First model is simple: one hot encode and use Linear Regression
    - Next model(s) will involved Stacking, Decision Trees, and Random Forests
  - Plan for training, analysis, and improvement:
    - Start simple and slowly get more complex (Agile technique)

- More complex means getting rid of irrelevant features with feature-to-label correlation methods and handling outliers
- Include Hyperparameter testing
- Adjust percentage of test size
- Using bar graph to compare 4 models

# Part 5: Implement Your Project Plan

**Task:** In the code cell below, import additional packages that you have used in this course that you will need to implement your project plan.

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import os
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns

from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split, GridSearchCV
from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression # could not get convergance
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, confusion_matrix, precision_recall_curv

from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split, cross_val_score, GridSearchCV
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor, GradientBoostingRegressor
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeRegressor
from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error, r2_score
```

**Task:** Use the rest of this notebook to carry out your project plan.

You will:

- 1. Prepare your data for your model.
- 2. Fit your model to the training data and evaluate your model.
- 3. Improve your model's performance by performing model selection and/or feature selection techniques to find best model for your problem.

Add code cells below and populate the notebook with commentary, code, analyses, results, and figures as you see fit.

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In [38]: X_ltrain, X_ltest, y_ltrain, y_ltest = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.10, random
In [39]: # Create the LinearRegression model object
model = LinearRegression()

# Fit the model to the training data
model.fit(X_ltrain, y_ltrain)

# Make predictions on the test data
prediction = model.predict(X_ltest)
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In [40]: # Weight 1 (weight of feature LogGDP)
         print('Model Summary\n\nWeight_1 = ', model.coef_[0], '[ weight of feature husband
         print('Alpha = ', model.intercept , '[ intercept ]')
        Model Summary
        Weight_1 = 0.001821142564439252 [ weight of feature husband and marriage ]
        Alpha = 0.06931356280207276 [ intercept ]
In [41]: # Evaluate
         # The mean squared error
         print('\nModel Performance\n\nRMSE = %.2f'
               % np.sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_ltest, prediction)))
         # The coefficient of determination: 1 is perfect prediction
         print(' R^2 = %.2f'
               % r2_score(y_ltest, prediction))
         # example:
         # Examining the evaluation metrics, we have an RMSE of 0.71. This means that, on av
         # The R2
         # value of 0.62 implies that 62% of the variation in the Happiness feature was expl
         # so this is not a good model to use since
         \# RMSE = 0.38
         \# R^2 =
                    0.20
         # try separating marriage and husband...but ultimately they seem the same when corr
        Model Performance
        RMSE =
                 0.38
         R^2 =
                 0.20
In [42]: # separate marriage
         X = df_linear.drop(columns = ['income_binary__>50K', 'marital-status__Married-civ-s
         y = df_linear['income_binary__>50K'] # Label
In [43]: |X_train_marstatus, X_test_marstatus, y_train_marstatus, y_test_marstatus = train_te
In [44]: # Create the LinearRegression model object
         model_marstatus = LinearRegression()
         # Fit the model to the training data
         model_marstatus.fit(X_train_marstatus, y_train_marstatus)
         # Make predictions on the test data
         prediction = model_marstatus.predict(X_test_marstatus)
         print('\nModel Performance\n\nRMSE = %.2f'
               % np.sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_test_marstatus, prediction)))
         # The coefficient of determination: 1 is perfect prediction
         print(' R^2 = %.2f'
               % r2_score(y_test_marstatus, prediction))
         # basically no difference
```

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Model Performance
        RMSE =
                 0.39
         R^2 =
                 0.16
In [45]: | X_hub = df_linear.drop(columns = ['income_binary__>50K', 'relationship_Husband'],
         y hub = df linear['income binary >50K'] # Label
In [46]: # try more data columns
         newlist = ['relationship_Husband',
                'marital-status_Married-civ-spouse', 'income_binary__>50K', 'education_year
         lst = ['relationship_Husband',
                'marital-status__Married-civ-spouse', 'income_binary__>50K', 'education_year
         DTdf = df[newlist]
         best_dt = df[lst]
         X_dt = DTdf.drop(columns = ['income_binary__>50K'], axis=1)
         y dt = DTdf['income binary >50K'] # Label
         X_dt_best = best_dt.drop(columns=['income_binary__>50K'], axis=1)
         y_dt_best = df['income_binary__>50K'] # Label
         X_train_dt, X_test_dt, y_train_dt, y_test_dt = train_test_split(X_dt, y_dt, test_si
         X_dt
         X_train_dt_best, X_test_dt_best, y_train_dt_best, y_test_dt_best = train_test_split
In [47]: | X_train_hub, X_test_hub, y_train_hub, y_test_hub = train_test_split(X_hub, y_hub, t
         # Create the LinearRegression model object
         model_hub = LinearRegression()
         # Fit the model to the training data
         model_hub.fit(X_train_dt_best, y_train_dt_best)
         # Make predictions on the test data
         y_lr_pred = model_hub.predict(X_test_dt_best)
         print('\nModel Performance\n\nRMSE = %.2f'
               % np.sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_test_dt_best, y_lr_pred)))
         # The coefficient of determination: 1 is perfect prediction
         print(' R^2 = %.2f'
               % r2_score(y_test_dt_best, y_lr_pred))
         # basically no difference as well, conclude that there is no linear pattern ... need
         # dt best data:
         # Model Performance
         \# RMSE = 0.35
         \# R^2 = 0.34
         # dt best data with test_size0.3, 0.5
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Model Performance
        RMSE =
                 0.34
         R^2 = 0.36
In [48]: # 1. Compute the RMSE using mean squared error()
         lr_rmse = mean_squared_error(y_test_dt_best, y_lr_pred, squared=False)
         # 2. Compute the R2 score using r2_score()
         lr_r2 = r2_score(y_test_dt_best, y_lr_pred)
         print('[LR] Root Mean Squared Error: {0}'.format(lr_rmse))
         print('[LR] R2: {0}'.format(lr_r2))
        [LR] Root Mean Squared Error: 0.34424574741522246
        [LR] R2: 0.3584165550341958
        /home/ubuntu/.pyenv/versions/3.9.19/lib/python3.9/site-packages/sklearn/metrics/_reg
        ression.py:483: FutureWarning: 'squared' is deprecated in version 1.4 and will be re
        moved in 1.6. To calculate the root mean squared error, use the function'root_mean_s
        quared_error'.
          warnings.warn(
In [49]: from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeRegressor
In [50]: | cs=[i for i in range(4,9)]
         lf=[i for i in range(25,51)]
         param_grid = dict(max_depth = cs, min_samples_leaf=lf)
         param_grid
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Out[50]: {'max_depth': [4, 5, 6, 7, 8],
           'min_samples_leaf': [25,
            26,
            27,
            28,
            29,
            30,
            31,
            32,
            33,
            34,
            35,
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            41,
            42,
            43,
            44,
            45,
            46,
            47,
            48,
            49,
            50]}
In [51]: | print('Running Grid Search...')
         # 1. Create a DecisionTreeRegressor model object without supplying arguments.
              Save the model object to the variable 'dt_regressor'
         dt_regressor = DecisionTreeRegressor()
         # 2. Run a Grid Search with 3-fold cross-validation and assign the output to the ob
              * Pass the model and the parameter grid to GridSearchCV()
              * Set the number of folds to 3
               * Specify the scoring method
         dt_grid = GridSearchCV(dt_regressor, param_grid, cv=5)
         # 3. Fit the model (use the 'grid' variable) on the training data and assign the fi
         # variable 'dt_grid_search'
         dt_grid_search = dt_grid.fit(X_train_dt_best, y_train_dt_best)
         print('Done')
        Running Grid Search...
        Done
In [52]: rmse_DT = -1 * dt_grid_search.best_score_
         print("[DT] RMSE for the best model is : {:.2f}".format(rmse_DT) )
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[DT] RMSE for the best model is : -0.43
In [53]: dt best params = dt grid search.best params
         dt_best_params
Out[53]: {'max_depth': 7, 'min_samples_leaf': 26}
In [54]: | dt_model = DecisionTreeRegressor(max_depth=dt_grid_search.best_params_['max_depth']
         dt_model.fit(X_train_dt_best, y_train_dt_best)
Out[54]:
                                                               (i) (?)
                          DecisionTreeRegressor
         DecisionTreeRegressor(max_depth=7, min_samples_leaf=26)
In [55]: # 1. Use the fitted model to make predictions on the test data
         y_dt_pred = dt_model.predict(X_test_dt_best)
         # 2. Compute the RMSE using mean_squared_error()
         dt_rmse = mean_squared_error(y_test_dt_best, y_dt_pred, squared=False)
         # 3. Compute the R2 score using r2 score()
         dt_r2 = r2_score(y_test_dt_best, y_dt_pred)
         print('[DT] Root Mean Squared Error: {0}'.format(dt_rmse))
         print('[DT] R2: {0}'.format(dt_r2))
         # not much better than linear LMAO - with same dataset from linear
         # no difference when changed to hub subset
         # subset with more data, without rid of outliers in capital-gain (dt_best)
         # - Root Mean Squared Error: 0.33115126068461576 - Lower error
         # [DT] R2: 0.40034933722832833 - higher
         # more folds (cv) does not change cv = 3 to cv = 10
         # got rid of capitala-gain in dataset : Root Mean Squared Error: 0.3459292045028896
         # [DT] R2: 0.3456351707360731
         # with dt best and cv=10, ,30
         # increase cs and lf (separate) in param_grid and cv = 30...llloong time and still
         # [DT] Root Mean Squared Error: 0.32694447390771153
         # [DT] R2: 0.42128600683821016
        [DT] Root Mean Squared Error: 0.3265479574512656
        [DT] R2: 0.42268887790910914
        /home/ubuntu/.pyenv/versions/3.9.19/lib/python3.9/site-packages/sklearn/metrics/_reg
        ression.py:483: FutureWarning: 'squared' is deprecated in version 1.4 and will be re
        moved in 1.6. To calculate the root mean squared error, use the function'root_mean_s
        quared_error'.
          warnings.warn(
In [56]: from sklearn.ensemble import StackingRegressor
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In [57]: estimators = [("DT", DecisionTreeRegressor(max depth=18, min samples leaf=50)),
                  ("RF", RandomForestRegressor(max_depth=8, n_estimators = 250))
                      1
         # ("LR", LinearRegression()),
In [58]: print('Implement Stacking...')
         stacking_model = StackingRegressor(estimators=estimators, passthrough=False)
         stacking_model.fit(X_train_dt_best, y_train_dt_best)
         print('End')
        Implement Stacking...
        End
In [59]: # 1. Use the fitted model to make predictions on the test data
         stacking_pred = stacking_model.predict(X_test_dt_best)
         # 2. Compute the RMSE using mean_squared_error()
         stack_rmse = mean_squared_error(y_test_dt_best, stacking_pred, squared=False)
         # 3. Compute the R2 score using r2_score()
         stack_r2 = r2_score(y_test_dt_best, stacking_pred)
         print('Root Mean Squared Error: {0}'.format(stack_rmse))
         print('R2: {0}'.format(stack_r2))
             # maxdepth=18, samples=50
         # with dt test and training data:
         # Root Mean Squared Error: 0.34543395160728463
         # R2: 0.34750748500692996
         # even worse with linear data:
         # Root Mean Squared Error: 0.38188861121128287
         # R2: 0.20252164126462702
         # in either case, changing min depth and min samples doesnt change anything
         # with dt best data:
         # Root Mean Squared Error: 0.32843027534555175
         # R2: 0.410163204590864
         # added "RF" model (like below) to stacking, took longer to implement and :
         # Root Mean Squared Error: 0.325859904448004
         # R2: 0.4193594740915152
         # take out linear regression from stacking, ^ (slightly better but virutally) same
             #maxdepth=8, samples=27 with dt best data: slightly lower R2, slightly higher r
         # #maxdepth=18, minleaf=50 --->
         # Root Mean Squared Error: 0.3233614951139216
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# R2: 0.43390073683155295
        Root Mean Squared Error: 0.32343390420315804
        R2: 0.4336471796076351
        /home/ubuntu/.pyenv/versions/3.9.19/lib/python3.9/site-packages/sklearn/metrics/_reg
        ression.py:483: FutureWarning: 'squared' is deprecated in version 1.4 and will be re
        moved in 1.6. To calculate the root mean squared error, use the function'root mean s
        quared_error'.
          warnings.warn(
In [60]: | from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor
In [61]: print('Begin RF Implementation...')
         rf_model = RandomForestRegressor(max_depth=8, n_estimators = 250)
         rf_model.fit(X_train_dt_best,y_train_dt_best)
         print('End')
        Begin RF Implementation...
        End
In [62]: # 1. Use the fitted model to make predictions on the test data
         y_rf_pred = rf_model.predict(X_test_dt_best)
         # 2. Compute the RMSE
         rf_rmse = mean_squared_error(y_test_dt_best, y_rf_pred, squared=False)
         # 3. Compute the R2 score
         rf_r2 = r2_score(y_test_dt_best, y_rf_pred)
         print('[RF] Root Mean Squared Error: {0}'.format(rf_rmse))
         print('[RF] R2: {0}'.format(rf_r2))
         # with dt data: --> no improvement when increase max depth
         # [RF] Root Mean Squared Error: 0.365061251389708
         # [RF] R2: 0.2712526828806683
         # with dt data --> decrease max-depth=12:
         # [RF] Root Mean Squared Error: 0.3475222664949887
         # [RF] R2: 0.33959437372343326
         # with dt data max-depth=8 (not =2), n estimator=200, 250 :
         # [RF] Root Mean Squared Error: 0.3438102550334074
         # [RF] R2: 0.353627091422112
         # with dt data: same max-depth, n_esetimator=350 ----- even with dt best data
         # [RF] Root Mean Squared Error: 0.34368391211347304
         # [RF] R2: 0.3541020605915064
         # linear data:
         # [RF] Root Mean Squared Error: 0.38190227734650484
         # [RF] R2: 0.2024645636678034
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# dt best data: *****

# [RF] Root Mean Squared Error: 0.325945904997622

# [RF] R2: 0.41905294976543217

# best dt data, maxd=8, minsample=250

# [RF] Root Mean Squared Error: 0.32366093434214566

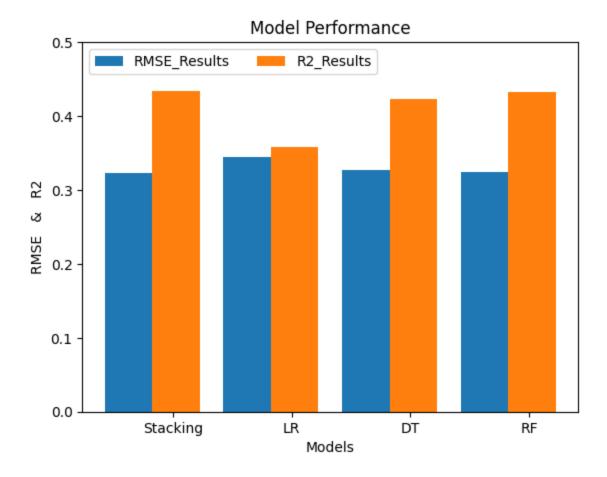
# [RF] R2: 0.4328518128568032
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[RF] Root Mean Squared Error: 0.3237185485591425
[RF] R2: 0.43264988112187985

/home/ubuntu/.pyenv/versions/3.9.19/lib/python3.9/site-packages/sklearn/metrics/\_reg ression.py:483: FutureWarning: 'squared' is deprecated in version 1.4 and will be re moved in 1.6. To calculate the root mean squared error, use the function'root\_mean\_s quared\_error'.

warnings.warn(

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In [63]: # comparison
         # plt.style.use('bmh')
         width = 0.35
         multiplier = 0
         labels_x = ['Stacking','LR', 'DT', 'RF']
         RMSE_Results = [stack_rmse, lr_rmse, dt_rmse, rf_rmse]
         R2_Results = [stack_r2, lr_r2, dt_r2, rf_r2]
         X_axis = np.arange(len(labels_x))
         plt.bar(X_axis - 0.2, RMSE_Results, 0.4, label = 'RMSE_Results')
         plt.bar(X_axis + 0.2, R2_Results, 0.4, label = 'R2_Results')
         plt.xticks(X_axis + width/2, labels_x)
         plt.xlabel("Models")
         plt.ylabel("RMSE & R2")
         plt.ylim([0,0.5]) #-- should be from 0 to 1 ,...but i want an enlarged plot
         plt.title('Model Performance')
         plt.legend(loc='upper left', ncol=2)
         plt.show()
```



## Compare & Contrast and Analysis

When my initial plan of a Logistic Regression model to start this project failed, I began to clean my data again. I remove low corrolated data and shrink the dataset, thinking it finally converge enough for the Logistic Regression method. It didn't work, so I switched to train and test a linear model.

The linear model was terrible. I was expecting high linearity because of the high corrolated features in my dataset. Instead, my root means squared error (RMSE) and R-Square (R2) were almost equal and were both around 0.35. By adding in a feature with outliers called 'capital-gain' and testing the size of my training and test data, I saw improvement. I was able to lower RMSE and raise R2 for my linear model - where RMSE = 0.34 and R2=0.36. The linear model is still inaccurate, but as best as it can be.

At this point, I finalized my training and test data sets, and then I trained a Decision Tree (DT) with GridSearch, seeing as there wasn't much linearity in my small dataset. After experimenting with the two feature dataset, no outlier dataset and the outlier dataset on the DT model, I once again found that the outlier dataset was the best dataset because it so far has yielded the best results for 2 models. I also found that increasing the number of folds while training and testing with the best dataset gave the best DT results as well. The DT model had better RMSE and R2 scores than the linear model - 0.33 and 0.42 respectively.

Then I created an ensemble model with stacking. The first few times, I kept my estimators restricted to a decision tree and a linear model. With this version of the stack model, I observed the same RMSE and R2 values as I did for the linear model. I was surprised because I thought I would get better results with the addition of a decision tree since the DT by itself fared better than linear. The Stacking model performed even worse when trained with fewer features (what I call my linear data). When trained and tested with the best data (the outlier data), I saw better performance. Even more improvement came when I added another model to the estimators list - a Random Forest (RF). When I cut the estimators down to just the DT and RF, I found peak performance with RMSE at 0.32 and R2 scores at 0.43. Now the Stacking model does marginally better than the DT model.

Let me explain how I decided to add RF to the ensemble. I only added RF to the ensemble model after I trained a RF by itself. The RF was my fourth and last model. Again, I experimented with different training and test sets, and once again, found that the dataset that brought the peak performance was the dataset with the outlier data. Once that was established, I played around with the 'max\_depth' and 'n\_estimators', finding optimial results when 'max\_depth'=8 and 'n\_estimators'=250. This created a RF model with RMSE=0.32 and R2=0.43. These scores are on par with the Stacking model and can be visualized in the bargraph.

For even better performing models, I think I would have to go back to the original USA Census csv file and find better ways to clean the data. I think Logistic Regression should have worked for the label of finding if one's income was greater than 50k. That, or I would need to collect even more data, or my label needs to change. All in all, more experimentation is needed because these models are not accurate enough!