

1 Supplementary Information

1.1 Logistic Regression (LR) Grid Search

For a comparison with the MCE, we aim to find the best tuned LR model. The GridSearchCV ‘fit’ and ‘score’ method from the Python sci-kit learn package is used to perform a hyperparameter optimization search. From the scikit-learn package, the specific LR hyperparameters searched over are ‘solver’, ‘c_value’, ‘penalty’ and ‘class_weight.’ Class weight is chosen to aid in balancing the imbalanced training dataset where the minority class are the RI cases and majority class are the non-RI cases. The full extent of values searched for each hyperparameter are included in the table below. Optimization is performed by maximizing the CSI score for each model. The search includes different probability thresholds in 0.05 increments to produce a fully optimized model. A second narrow grid search is then implemented using probability threshold increments of 0.01 centered around the best probability threshold produced by the first coarser grid search. The specific cross-validation scheme used in the grid search is the LOYO (Leave-One-Year-Out) method where the samples that are reserved for cross validation all belong to one year. Similar to its use in [Xu et al \(2021\)](#), LOYO cross validation was chosen due to the temporal nature of the dataset. The best performing model returned by the grid search method, detailed in Table 1, is then tested on the unseen testing dataset.

1.2 Decision Tree (DT) Grid Search

To determine the best performing model, the GridSearchCV method from the Python sci-kit learn package is used to perform a hyperparameter optimization search. GridSearchCV is chosen as it is an exhaustive hyperparameter search that uses a ‘fit’ and ‘score’ method. The hyperparameters

Hyperparameter	Values Searched	Optimal Value
Probability Threshold	0-1 (increment: 0.05)	0.49
Penalty	'l1', 'l2', 'None'	'l2'
Solver	'saga', 'liblinear', 'newton-cg', 'lbfgs', 'sag'	'liblinear'
C	100, 10, 1, 0.1, 0.01	10
Class_Weight	{0:1,1:1}-{0:1,1:12} (increment: 1), 'balanced'	{0:1,1:6}

Table 1 Logistic Regression hyperparameters searched in GridSearchCV and the returned optimal value.

are optimized using a specified cross-validation technique. In the scikit-learn package, the DT-specific hyperparameters included in the grid search are 'max_depth', 'min_samples_split', 'min_samples_leaf' and 'class_weight.' Class_weight is included in the hyperparameter search to bolster performance of the model when dealing with the imbalanced training dataset. In increments of 1, the range starting at 1 (where the majority and minority class are equally weighted) to the value of class_weight when it is equal to 'balanced' for the minority class is searched. A 'balanced' class_weight indicates that the weights are automatically adjusted inversely proportional to the frequency of each class in the training dataset. The full extent of values searched for each hyperparameter are included in the table below. Hyperparameter tuning is optimized using a CSI metric scoring method, similar to the grid search method used when developing the MCE. Different probability thresholds in increments of 0.05 are searched to produce a fully optimized decision tree model. A second narrower grid search is then implemented using probability threshold increments of 0.01 centered around the best probability threshold produced by the first coarser grid search. The probability thresholds are implemented within the CSI scoring method. We use the same cross-validation scheme used for developing the LR model, detailed in the section above. The best performing

model returned by the grid search method, detailed in table 2 is then tested on the unseen testing dataset.

Hyperparameter	Values Searched	Optimal Value
Probability Threshold	0-1 (increment: 0.05)	0.55
Max_Depth	2-10 (increment: 1), 'None'	7
Min_Samples_Split	2, 5-40 (increment: 5)	2
Min_Samples_Leaf	1, 5-20 (increment: 5)	1
Class_Weight	{0:1,1:1}-{0:1,1:12} (increment: 1), 'balanced'	{0:1,1:6}

Table 2 Decision Tree hyperparameters searched in GridSearchCV and the returned optimal value.

References

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