

**CLASSIFIER EVALUATION OF AN IMBLANCED
DATA SET OF THE PRESENCE OF FISH
SPECIES FOR A STUDY DURING THE EARLY
YEARS OF THE MIRGENBACH RESERVOIR.**

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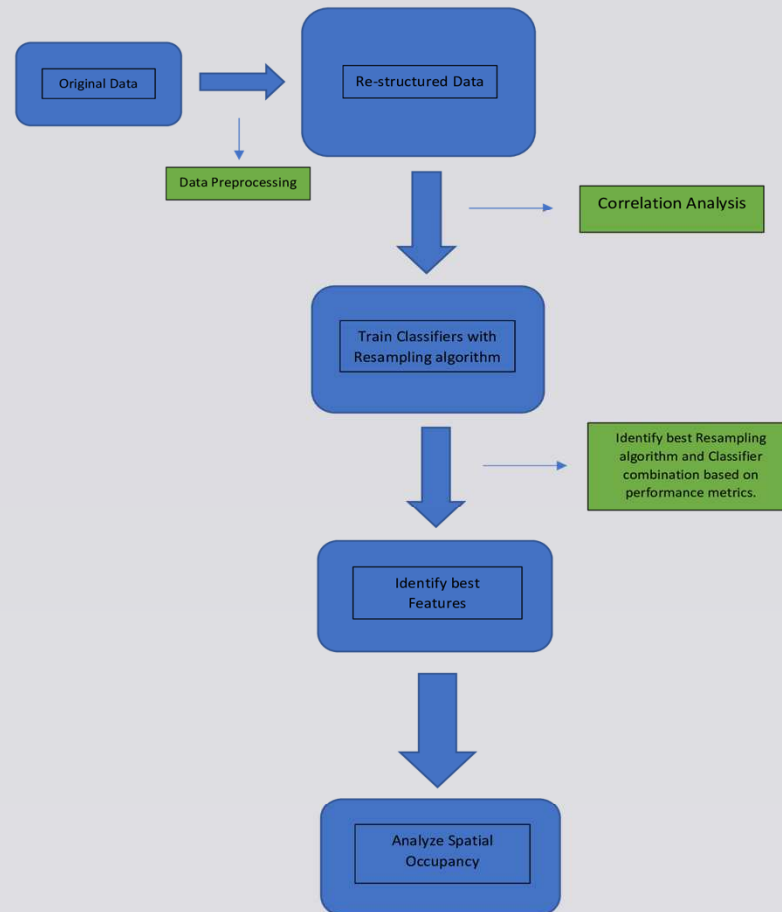
Introduction

- Mirgenbach reservoir was built in 1985 as a supply of cooling water and buffer to the Cattenom Nuclear Electricity production center.
- The reservoir is characterized by relatively low species richness.
- The reservoir is characterized by relatively high water temperature and productivity. (Vein et al. 1990).
- There is an inlet of water from the Moselle river through the atmospheric cooling towers of the Cattenom Nuclear power station.
- The water after cooling down for some days (mean 15 days with 4 reactors working) is pumped out back to the Moselle.

Objective of study

- The initial study (done by A. Flesch, R. Marzou, G. Masson, P. Usseglio-Polatera and J.C. Moreteau) was to explain the variability in fish assemblage composition in the light of local environmental conditions.
- The main objective will be to analyze the Spatial occupancy of the fish species.
- To understand why these localizations were formed during the early days of the Mirgenbach.
- Which variables drove the presence and the fish species assemblages across multiple sites of the reservoir.

Study Design



The Data set

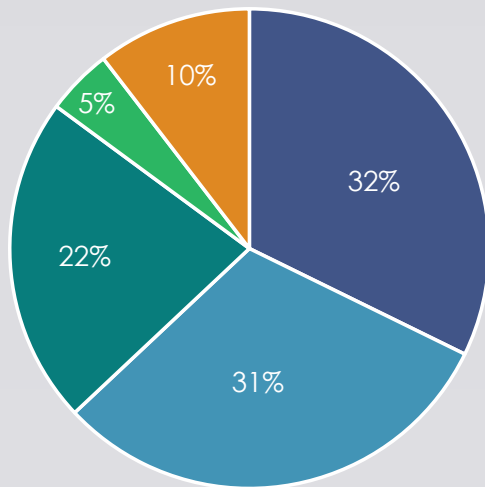


- Surveys were conducted from October 1990 to October 1991 over 5 campaigns.
- During this period, 12 species of fish were caught.
- The survey covered the months of October 1990 (Autumn), November 1990(Winter), February 1991(Spring), June 1991(Summer) and October 1991 (Autumn).

Composition of Species and the Data set



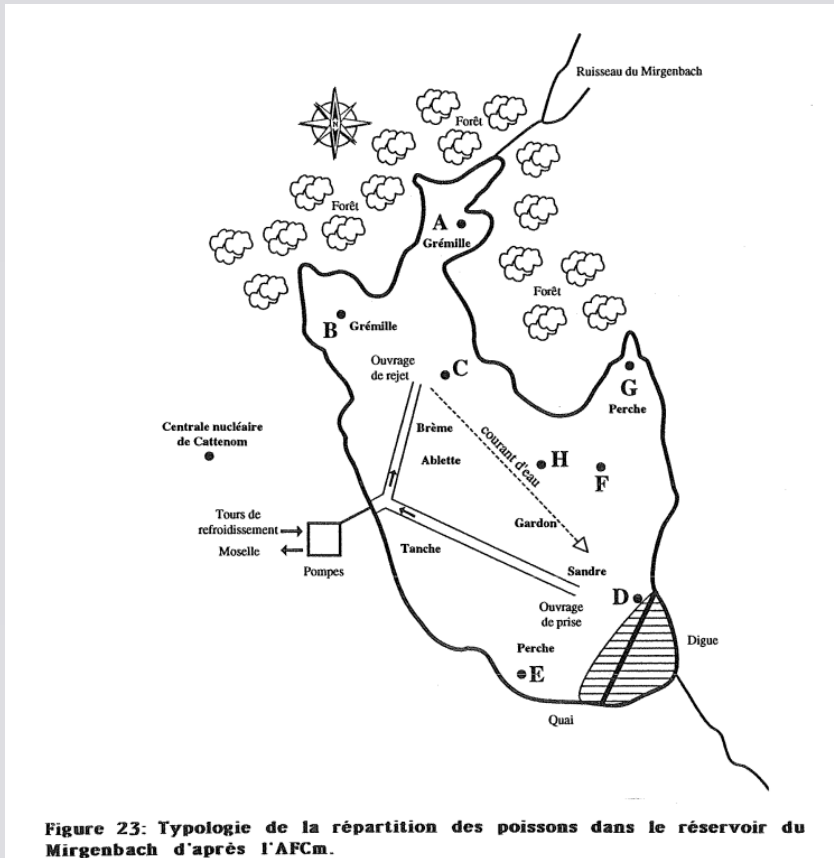
Percentage of fish species



■ Roach ■ Perch ■ Common Bream ■ Zander ■ Others

- **Environmental variables -> 19**
- **Station Characteristics -> 14**
- **Temporal variables -> 3**
- **Biology of Fish -> 4**

Structure of the Mirgenbach reservoir.



Source: Flesch A, 1994

- The reservoir has 8 sampling stations.
- Stations A, B, C and G are quite near to a forest shoreline, thus there is vegetation.
- Stations D and E are near the docks.
- There is a source of water inlet and water outlet to and from the reservoir.
- Station C is located near the water inlet and D is located near the water outlet.

Characteristics of each Station

variables	codes	modalities or classes	qualification station	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
water depth	dep 1	<= 5m	ok	dep 1	dep 1			dep 1		dep 1	
	dep 2	> 6-12m	ok			dep 2					dep 2
	dep 3	> 13-20m	ok				dep 3		dep 3		
nearest shore type	typ 1	naked bank	ok					typ 1			
	typ 2	blocks	ok				typ 2		typ 2		
	typ 3	vegetation	ok	typ 3	typ 3	typ 3				typ 3	typ 3
distance from water inlet	dou 1	<= 100m	ok			dou 1					
	dou 2	> 100-350m	ok	dou 2	dou 2						dou 2
	dou 3	> 350m	ok				dou 3	dou 3	dou 3	dou 3	
distance from water output	din 1	<= 250m	ok				din 1	din 1	din 1		din 1
	din 2	> 250-450m	ok			din 2				din 2	
	din 3	> 450m	ok	din 3	din 3						
distance to nearest shore	dis 1	<= 30m	ok		dis 1		dis 1	dis 1		dis 1	
	dis 2	> 30-80m	ok	dis 2		dis 2					
	dis 3	> 80m	ok						dis 3		dis 3
granulometry of the nearest littoral substrate	sub 1	sludge	ok	sub 1	sub 1	sub 1				sub 1	sub 1
	sub 2	pebbles	ok					sub 2			
	sub 3	blocks	ok				sub 3		sub 3		
coves	cov 1	no coves	ok			cov 1	cov 1	cov 1	cov 1		cov 1
	cov 2	upstream from water inlet	ok	cov 2	cov 2						
	cov 3	downstream from water output	ok							cov 3	
substrate heterogeneity	stu 1	low	ok				stu 1	stu 1	stu 1		stu 1
	stu 2	middle	ok			stu 2				stu 2	
	stu 3	high	ok	stu 3	stu 3						
wind exposure	win 1	low	ok	win 1						win 1	
	win 2	middle	ok		win 2						
	win 3	high	ok			win 3	win 3	win 3	win 3		win 3
trophic potential	tro 1	low	ok	tro 1	tro 1			tro 1			
	tro 2	middle	ok			tro 2					tro 2
	tro 3	high	ok				tro 3		tro 3	tro 3	
free stumps	smp1	close (<30m)	ok	smp1	smp1					smp1	
	smp2	middle (30 à 100m)	ok			smp2					smp2
	smp3	distant (>100m)	ok				smp3	smp3	smp3		

Algorithms and Models considered



Resampling algorithms:

Under-sampling:

- Condensed Nearest Neighbor

Over-sampling:

- Adaptive synthetic sampling (ADASYN)
- Synthetic Minority Oversampling (SMOTE)
- Borderline SMOTE

Combined Methods:

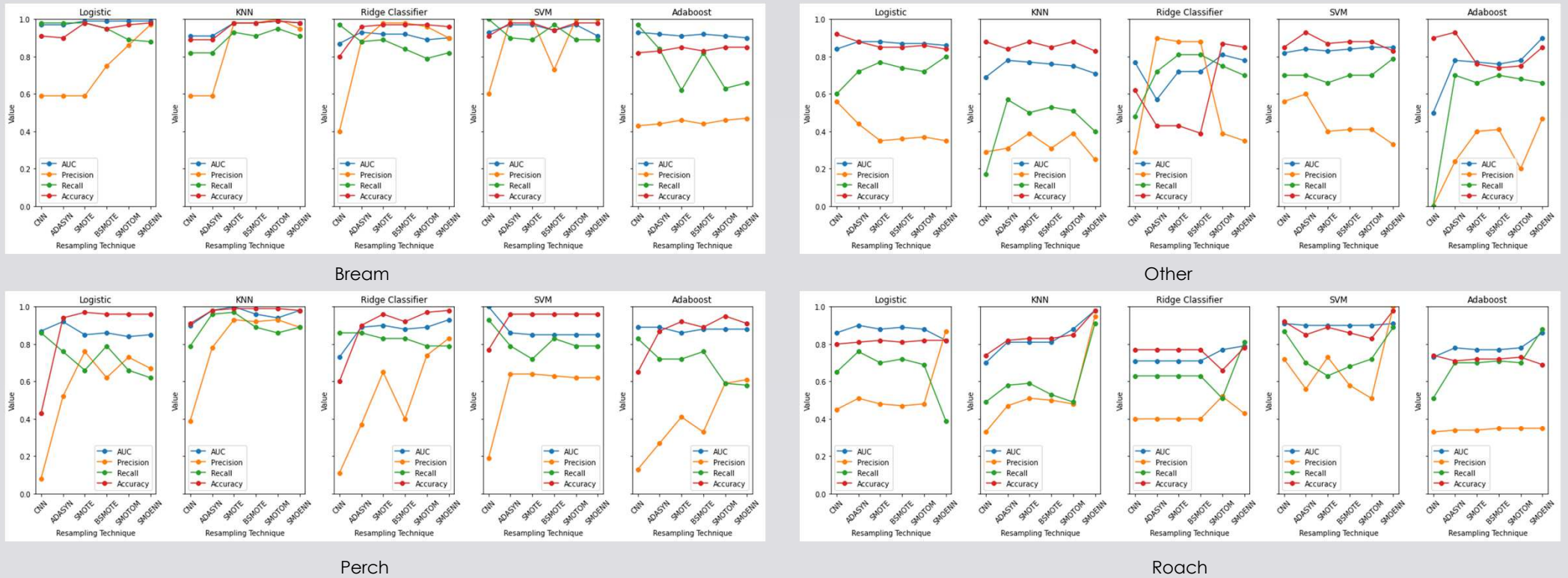
- SMOTE + Tomek Link Removal
- SMOTE + Edited Nearest Neighbors

Classifiers:

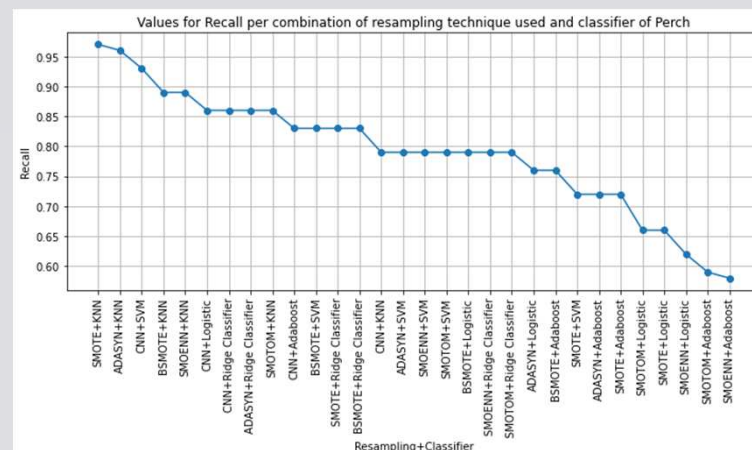
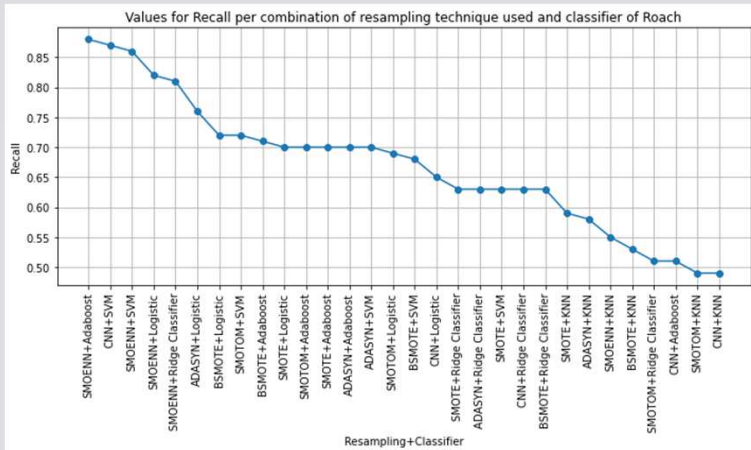
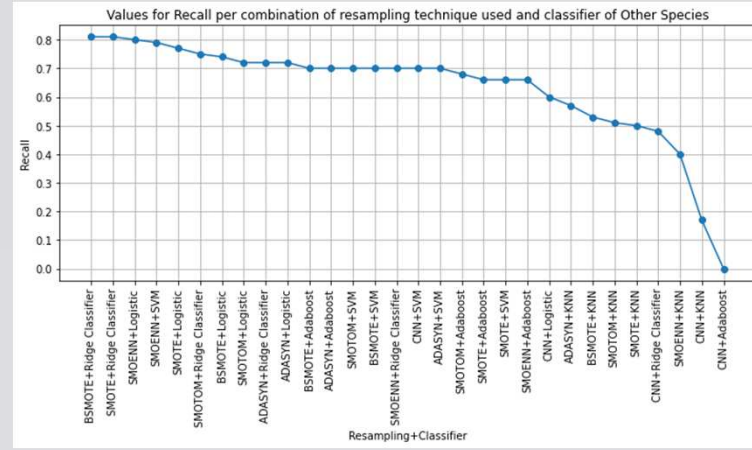
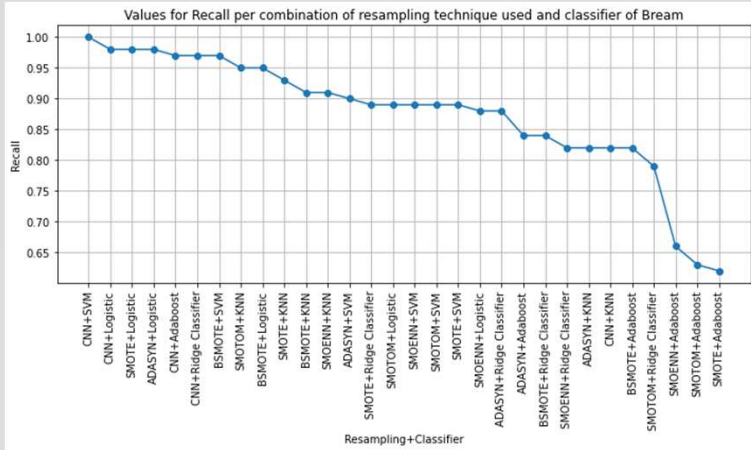
- Logistic
- Kth Nearest Neighbors
- Ridge Classifier
- Support Vector Classifier (SVC)
- Adaptive Boosting (with a Decision stump as the base estimator)

Results

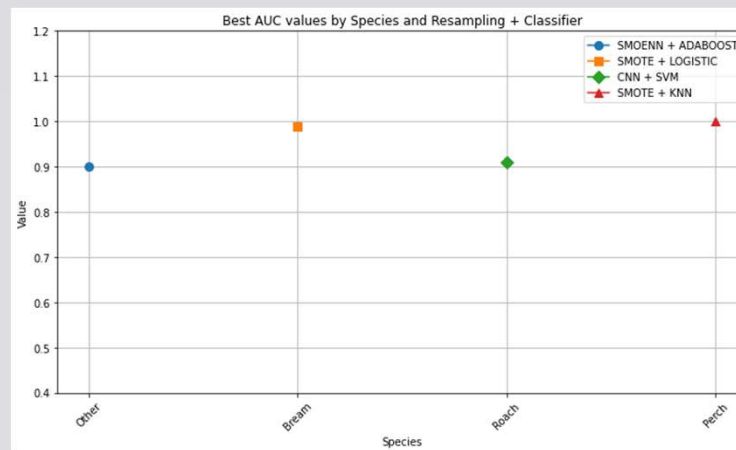
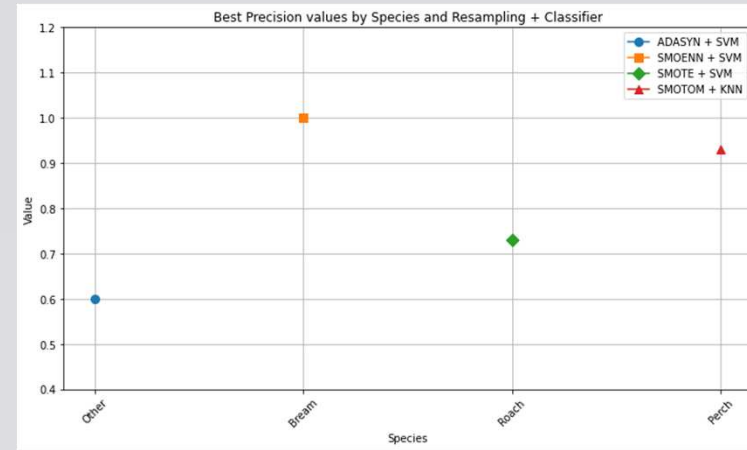
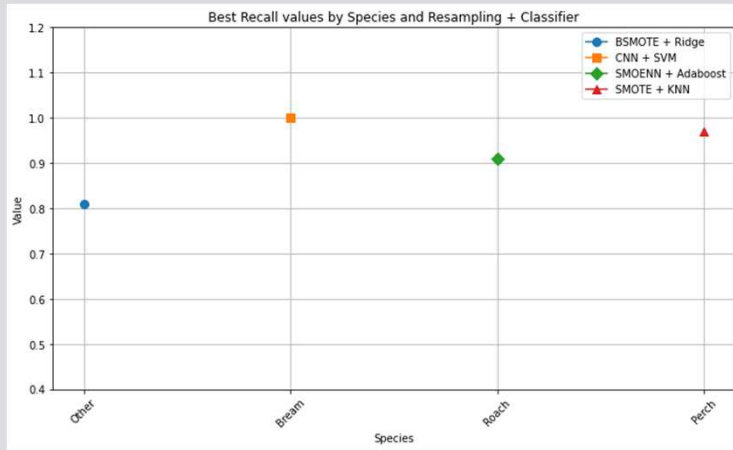
Metric evaluation per Classifier



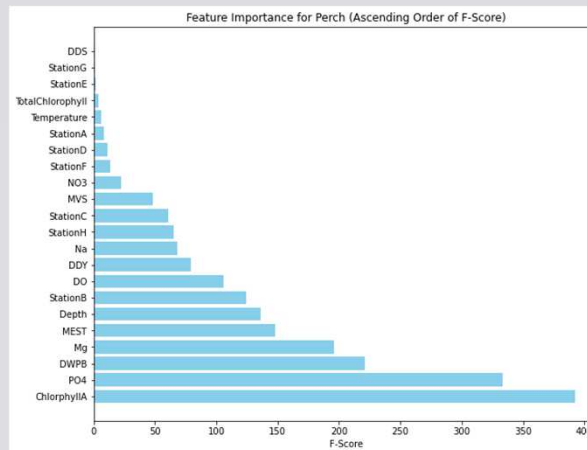
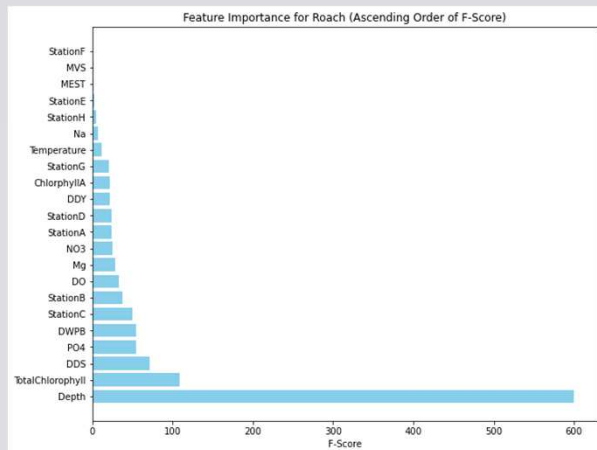
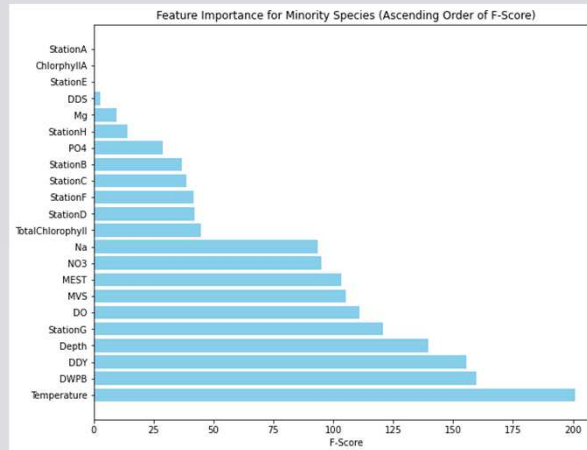
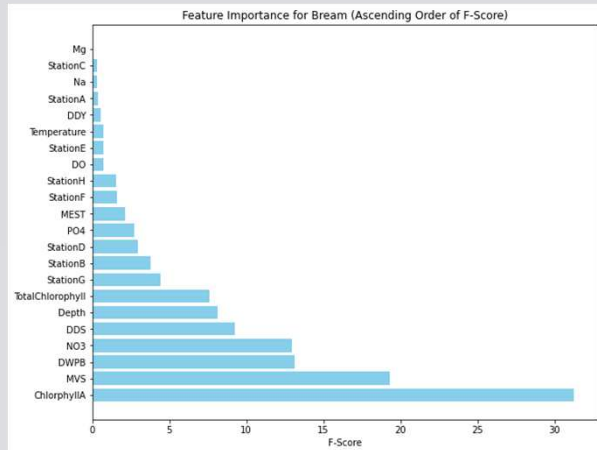
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Best Resampling and Classifier combination by best metric

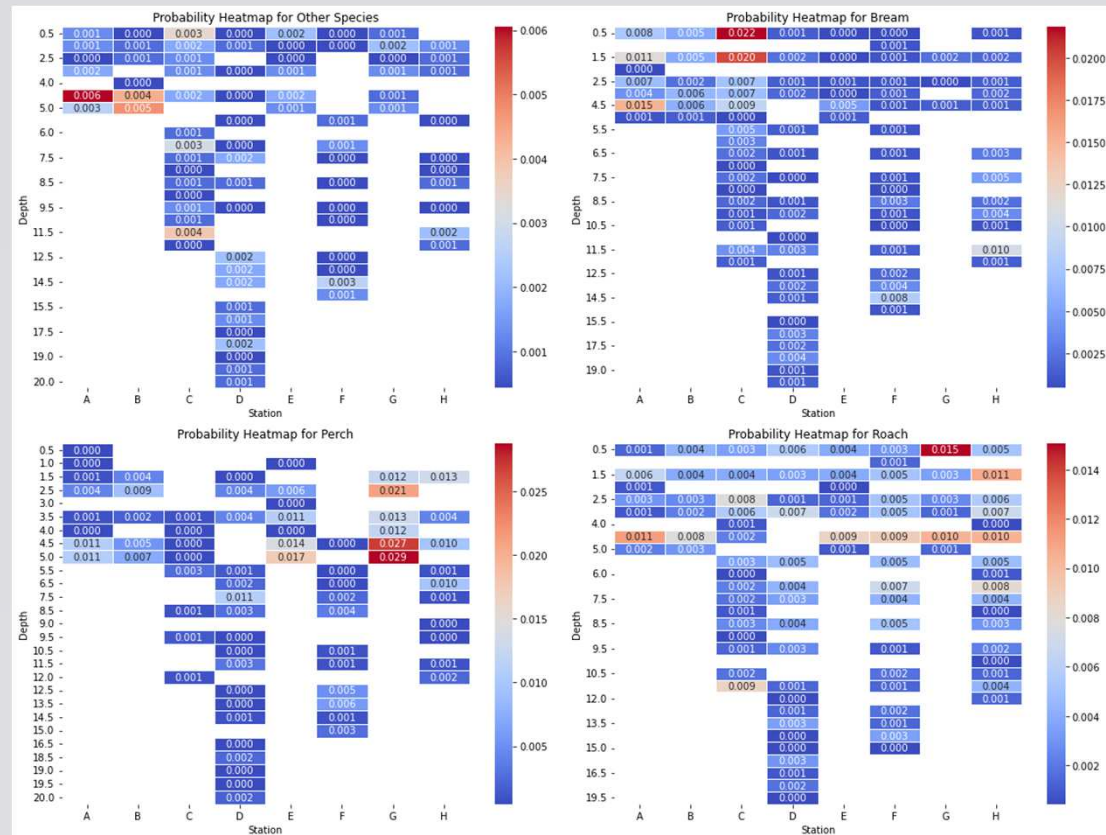


Feature Importance



- **List of important variables driving presence of each species:**
- For Bream: Active Chlorophyll, Volatile Suspended Matters, Dry weight of Phytoplankton Biomass, Nitrate Ion concentration, Cumulative Degree Days of the season, Depth of Station and Total Chlorophyll.
- For Roach: A lot of the same, except Station Depth is a critical factor.
- For Perch, Total Suspended Solids (MEST), Magnesium content and the Phosphate Ion concentration.
- For the minority species: Temperature is crucial. Dissolved Oxygen and Sodium concentration plays a lesser important role.

Spatial Occupancy of capturing species by Station and Depth



Discussion

- In this study, we first address the problem, an imbalanced data set poses to traditional classifiers. 6 resampling methods are used with 5 classifiers and their performance is evaluated. We show the best classifier and re-sampler combination with the respective metric.
- We then analyze the features that are important in driving the occupancy of each fish species of the Mirgenbach.
- Bream occupies mostly at Station C at shallow depths and at a depth of 4.5 meters in Station A.
- Perch and Roach tend to gather around Station G, with Roaches gathering mostly at a shallow depth of 0.5 meters and Perch mostly at 4.5 to 5 meters.
- Both Stations have a few things in common, like vegetation shore type, granulometry (sludge), absence of coves and moderate substrate heterogeneity.
- Vegetation shore type tends to give higher levels of Chlorophyll (active or Inactive) and we see in both Bream and Perch, Chlorophyll content is of significant importance.
- Most of the members of the Minority species have occupancy in Stations A and B at depths of between 4 and 5 meters with a small percentage occupying lower depths of 11.5 meters.

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