# Applied ML

Results and Scores of Initial Project





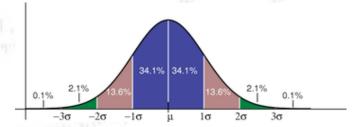








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<sup>&</sup>quot;Statistics is merely a quantisation of common sense - Machine Learning is a sharpening of it!"

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You did very well, and so let me start by gently stating, that you have little/nothing to fear - in fact, you did really great!

Grading it was perhaps comparable to the project itself, but we have done our best to be as open as possible about the scoring. And to give you a maximum of feedback, we have produced a report for each of you.

### The motivation

We wanted you to try the very **real challenge** of optimising models, without knowing their performance on the data it is applied to.

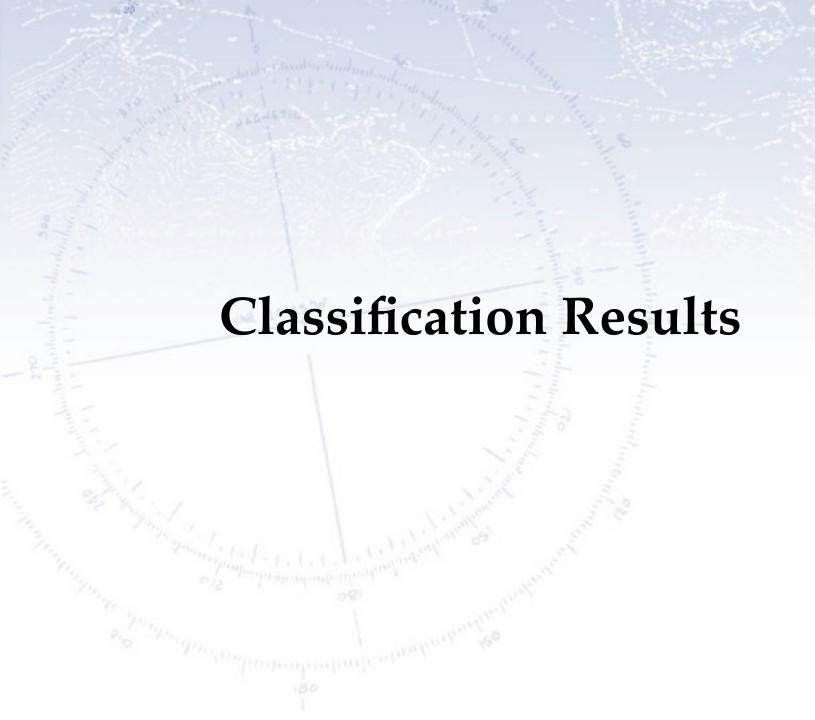
We also wanted you to **individually** run ML algorithms, so that you have the machinery in place after the course.

We insisted that you tried **both tree- and NN-based algorithms**, to get a feel for their differences and similarities.

We also wanted you to feel the "insecurity" about not knowing if you had gotten everything out of the data.

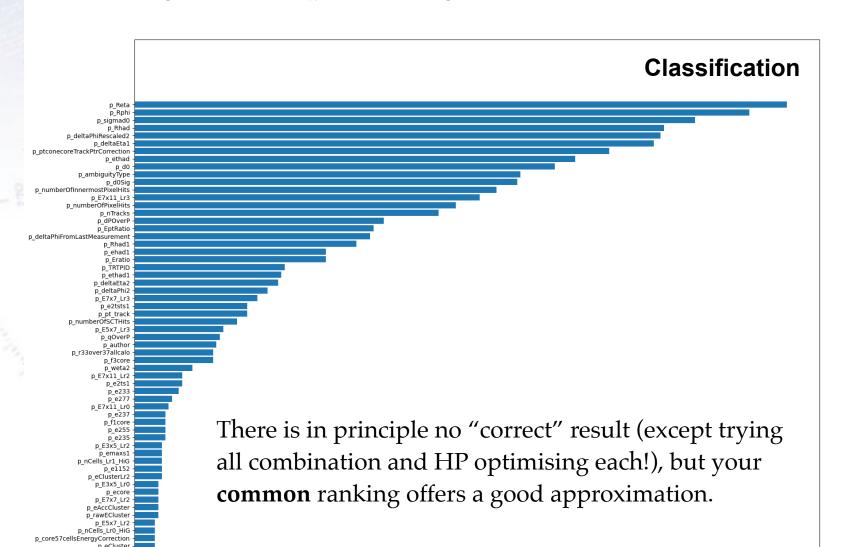
The description file was meant to trigger you to **think about your models**, and what you tried. Also, considerations of size and performance are in place.

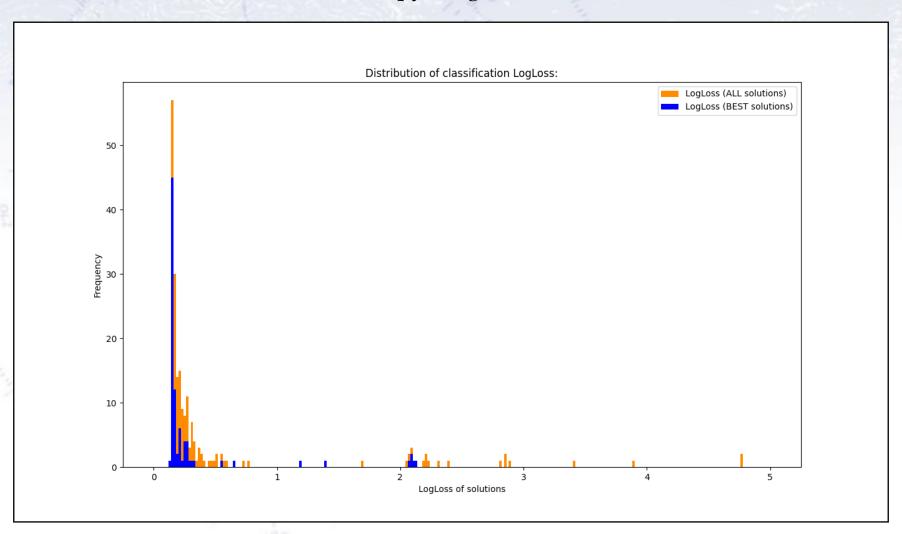
Finally, we wanted to **ensure** that you yourself tried all the work and things to consider, to put together ML models and apply them.

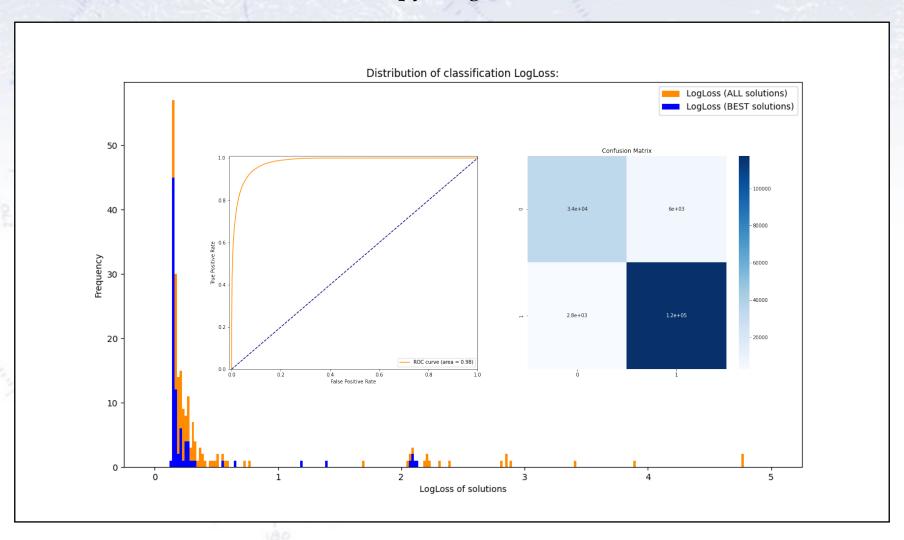


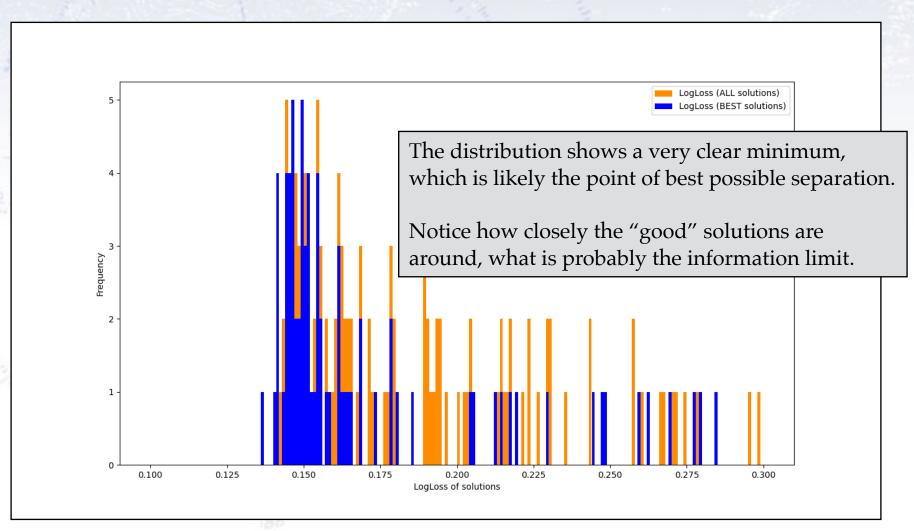
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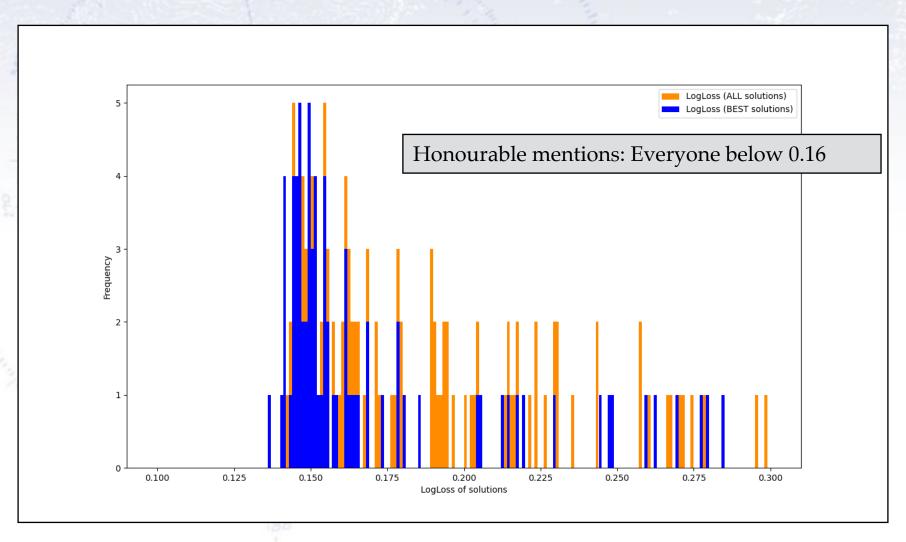
Many (most?) of you have made a good variable ranking. Below you find a variable usage **frequency** plot, showing how often a variable was used.







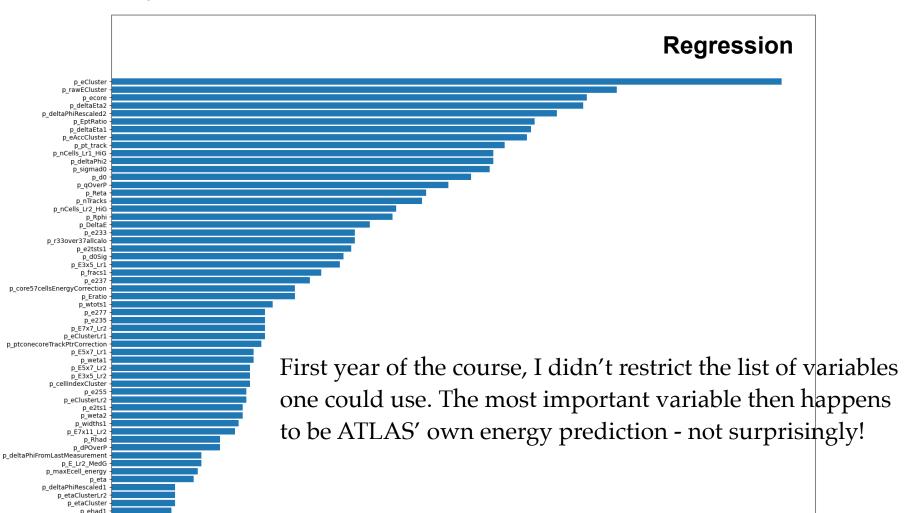


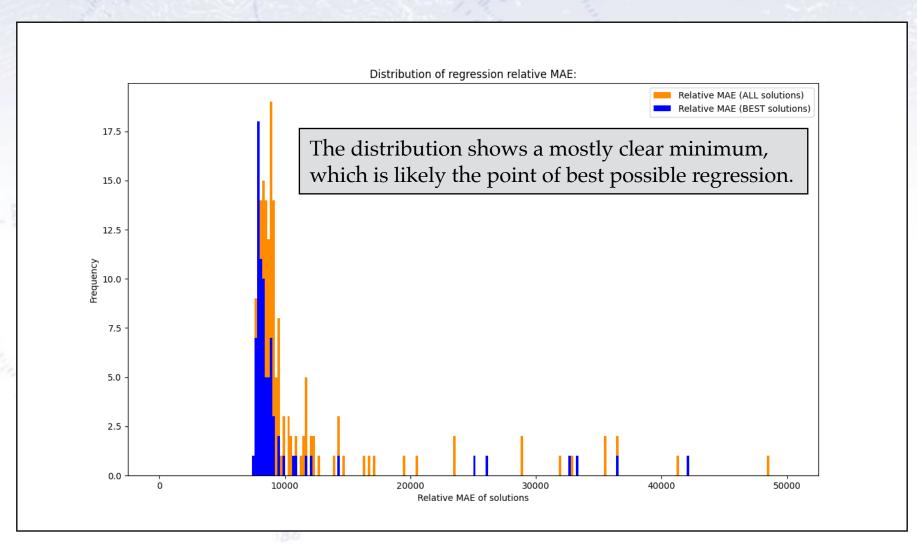


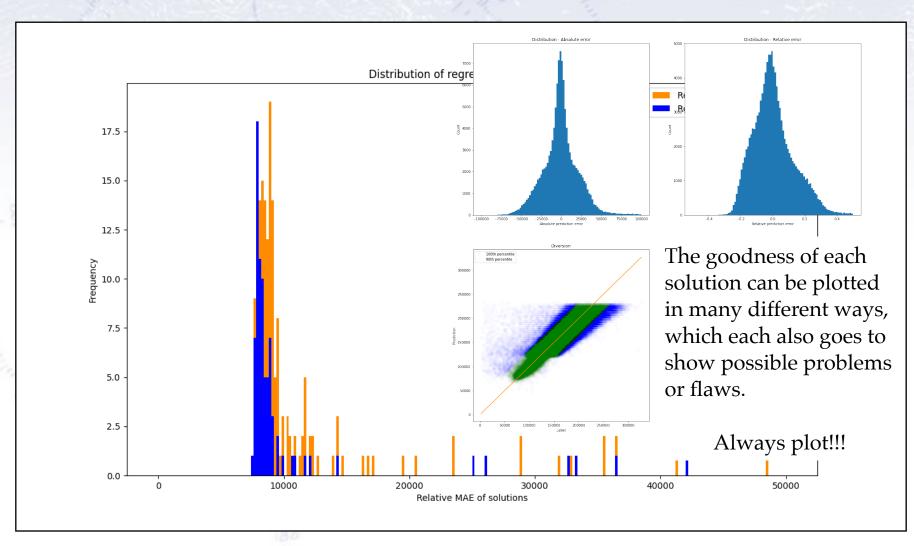


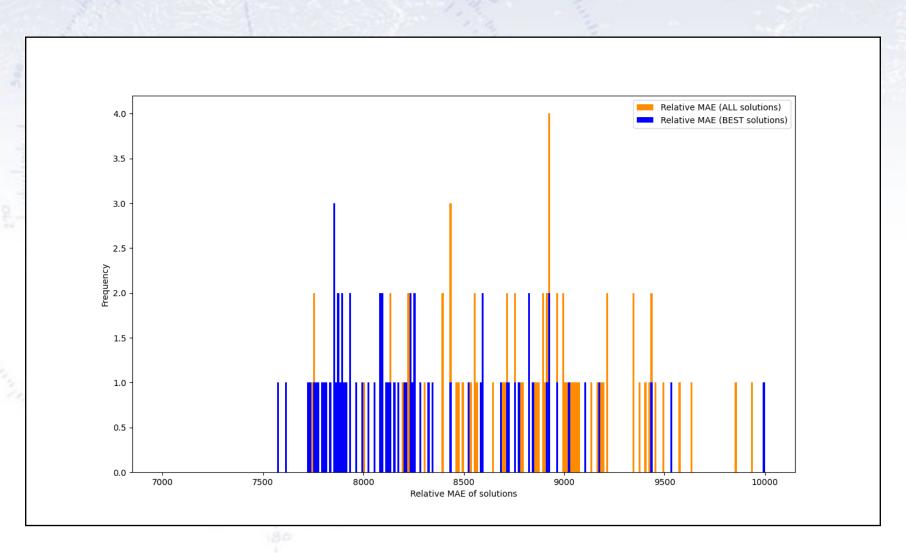
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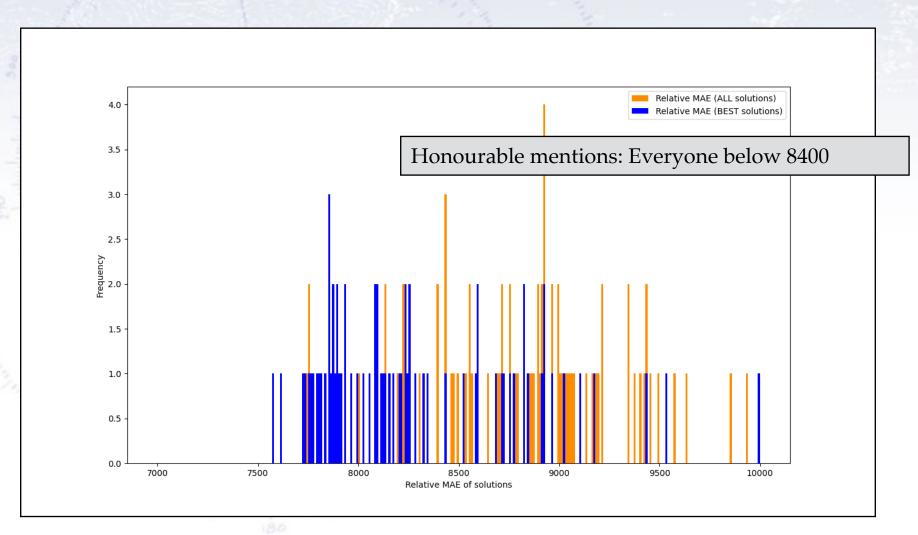
The variables have changed drastically from the classification case. There is NO overlap at all for the top 10-15 variables! Classification and Regression are in this case two very different tasks.

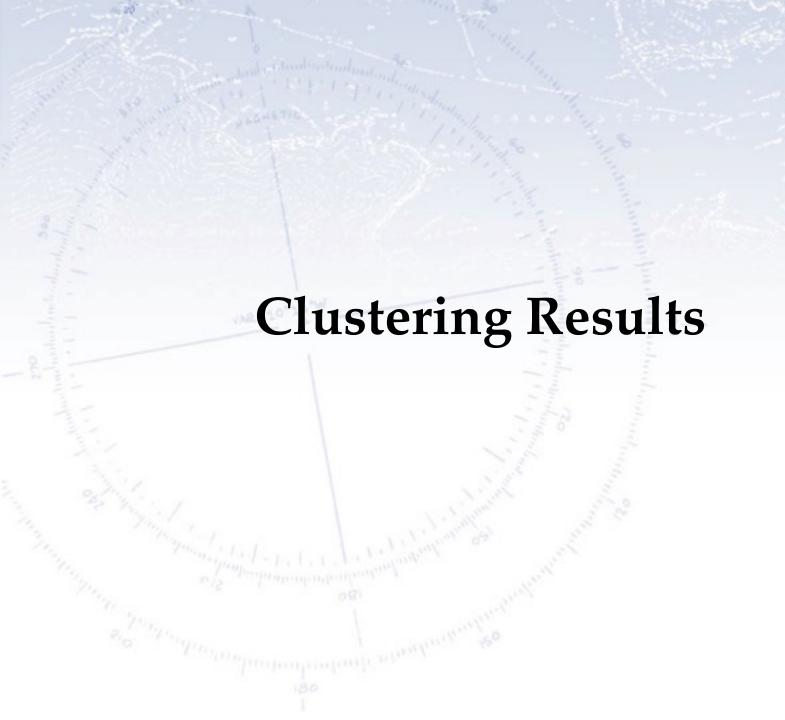






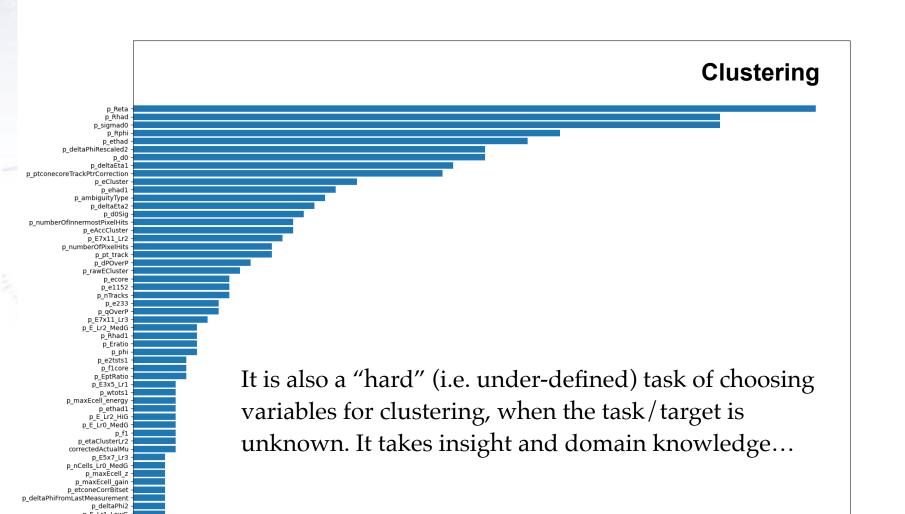






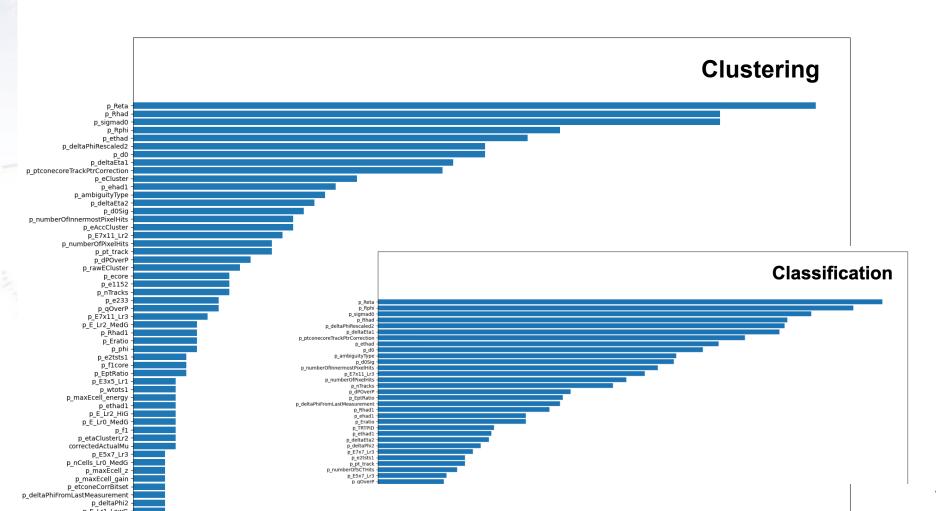
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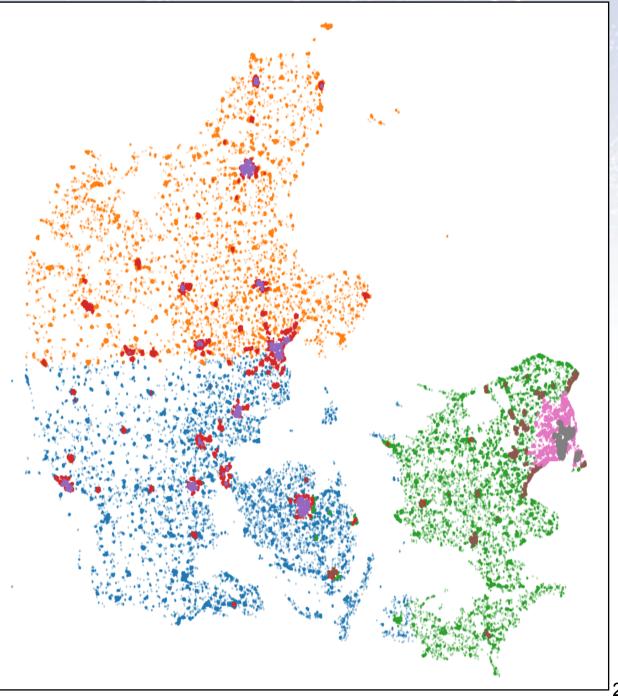


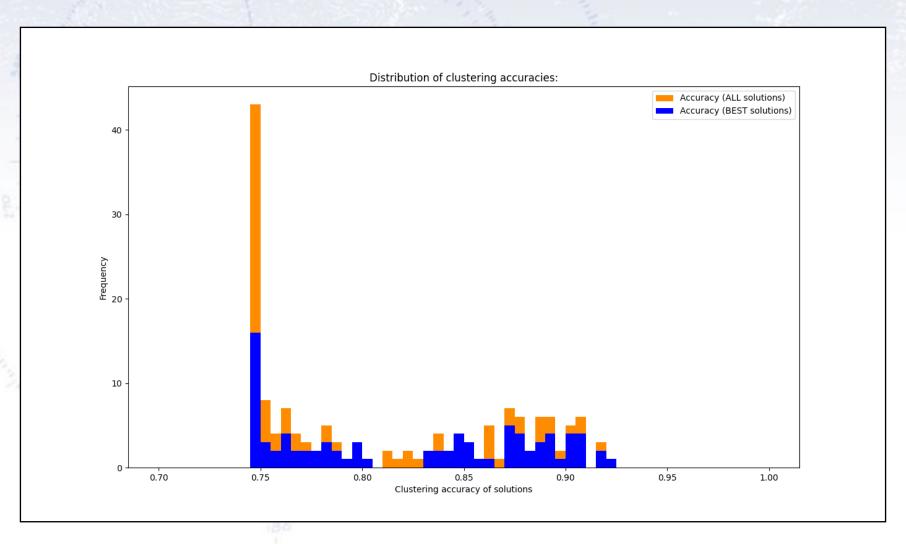
# Clustering housing

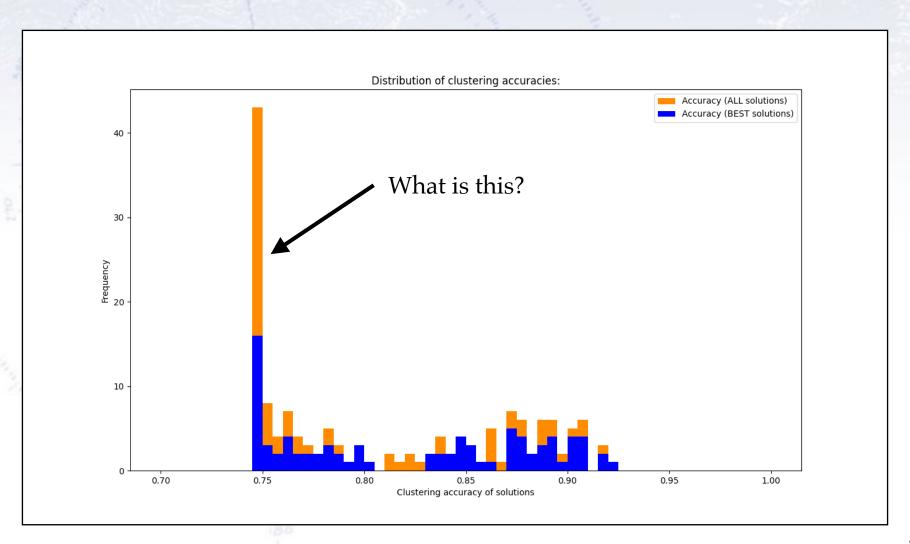
While postal codes are good, they are not very useful in clustering Denmark.

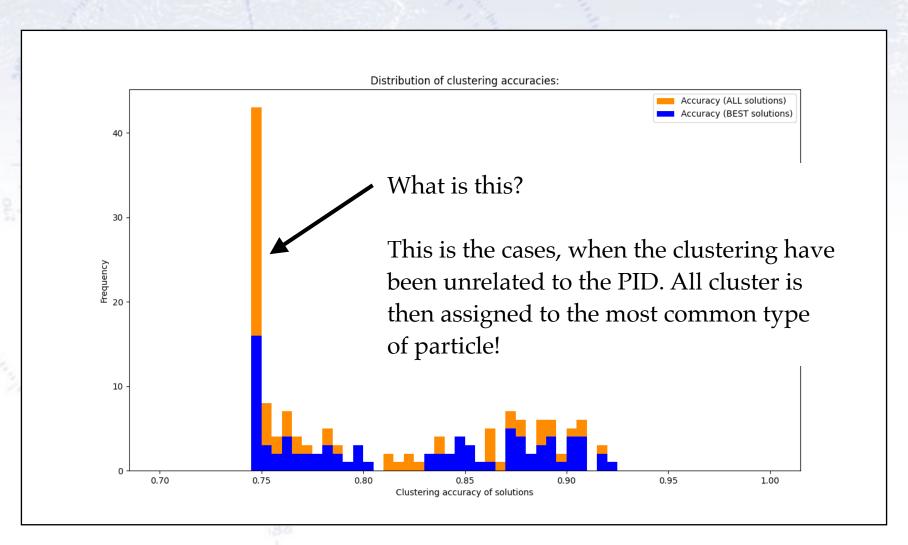
However, using just a few variables (x, y, density, price/m²), one can cluster villas in Denmark very efficiently.

In this way, one can follow trends for a type of house much better.

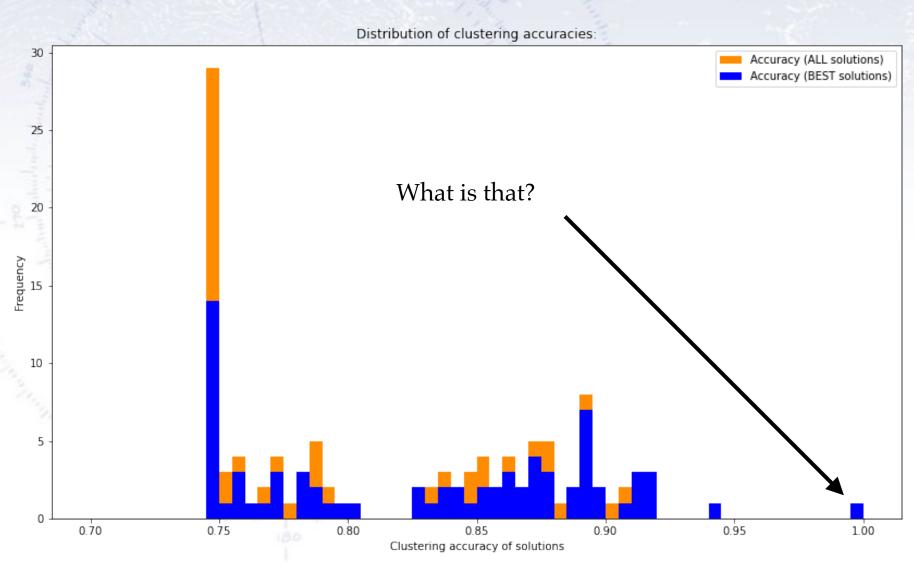




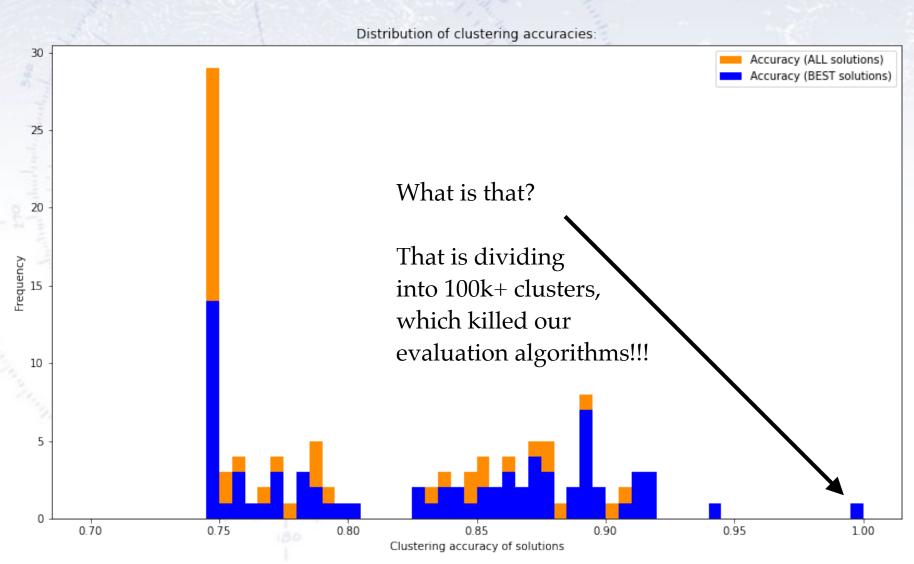


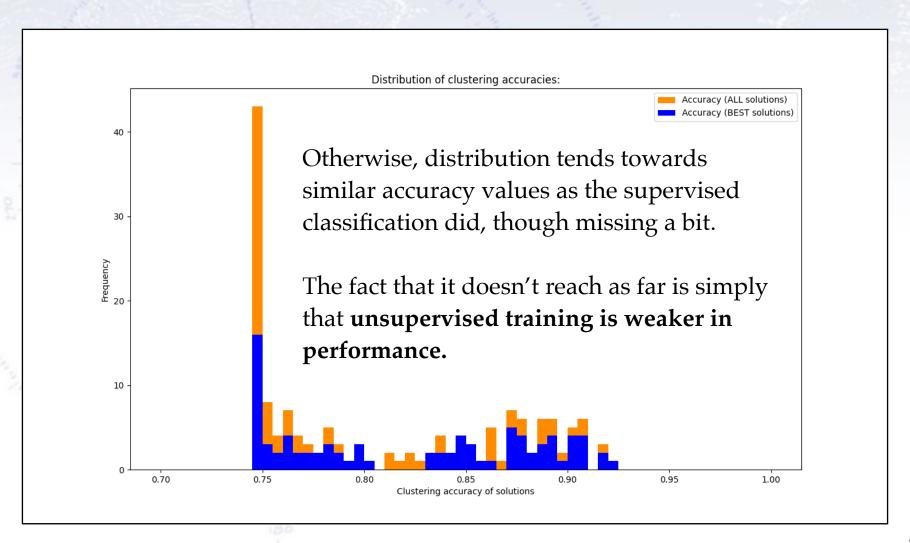


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# Scoring your solutions

### How do we grade your projects?

### **Final Score:**

You submitted a full solution, from which you get: 67 points

Your choice of methods based on your description was scored as follows [0, 6]: Your solution entailed N different algorithms, which gives you a score of [0, 6]:

Your best performance for classification gave:  $\max(0, (-\log(\text{CrossEntropy} - 0.12)) \times 1.4)$ : Your variable choice for classification was scored 4 x (VarFreq(you) / VarFreq(top)): Your classification had 0 penalties, totalling to:

Your best performance for regression gave:  $max(0,-log(MAD((E-T)/T)/7500-1)\times1.8)$ : Your variable choice for regression was scored 5 × (VarFreq(you)/VarFreq(top)): Your regression had 0 penalties, totalling to:

Your best performance for clustering gave:  $max(0, (Accuracy - 0.75) \times 20)$ : Your variable choice for clustering was scored (VarFreq(you) / VarFreq(top)): Your clustering had 0 penalties, totalling to:

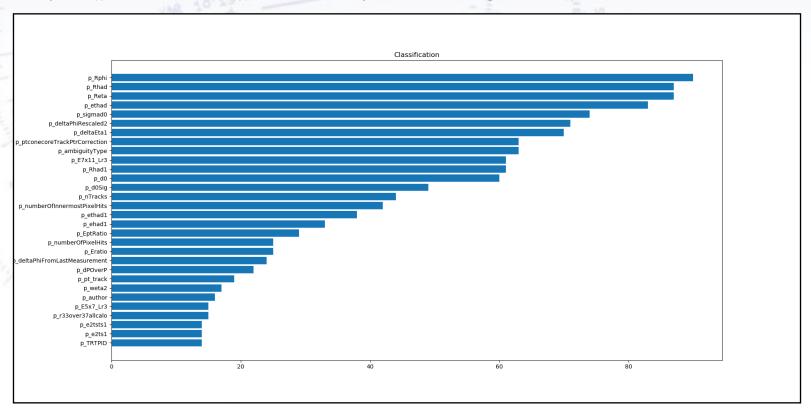
Thus your total number of points was:

### Your variable choice

Assuming, that the variable frequency reflected the actual ranking very well, your variable choice was scored as follows (factors were 4, 5, and 1):

$$8 \times \left( \sum Freq(Your \ variables) / \sum Freq(Top \ variables) \right)$$

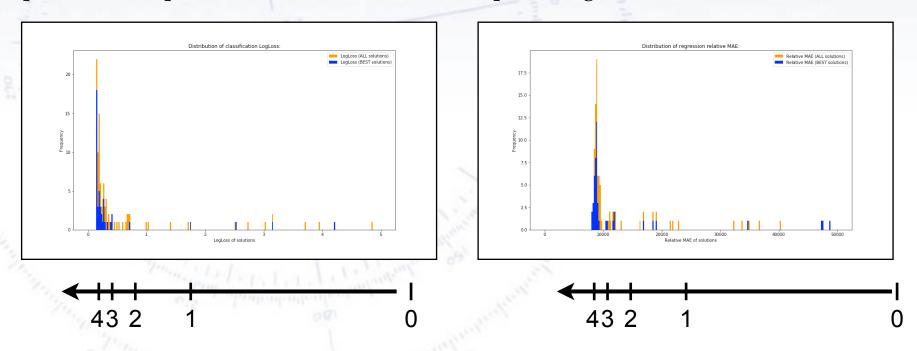
...so if you picked the top variables, you would get full points.



# Performance scoring

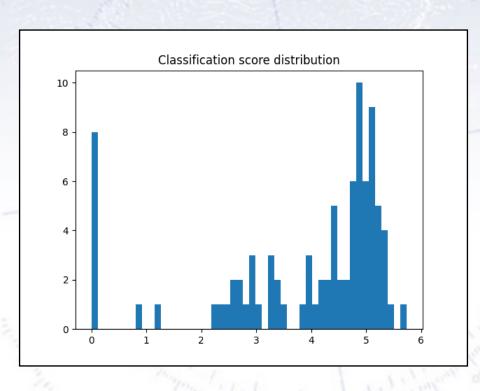
As mentioned, performance isn't everything, and we certainly didn't want it to be for the small project. Getting close to the information limit is just great.

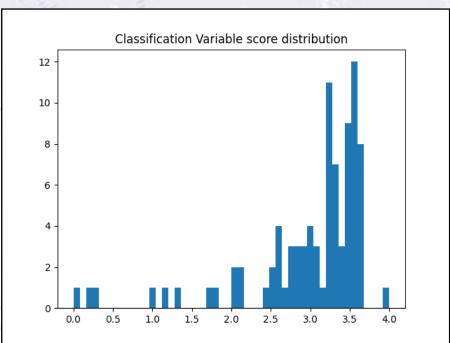
This was reflected by using a logarithmic scoring, which turned your best key performance parameter into a score in the (open) range [0,5+]:



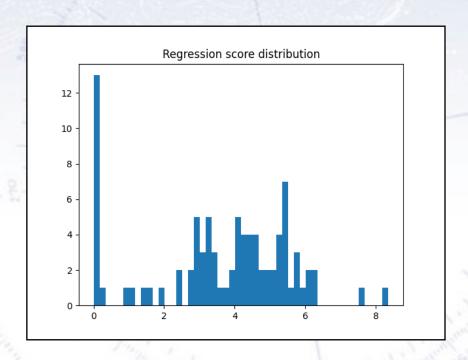
In all of this, you could of course not get negative points for an accepted solution!

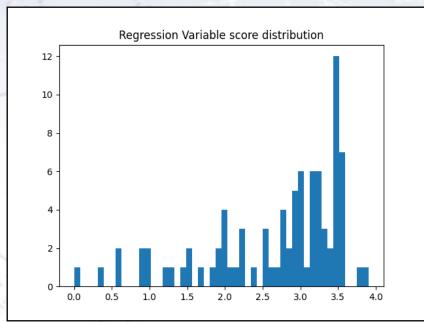
Score distributions for **classification** performance and variable choice:



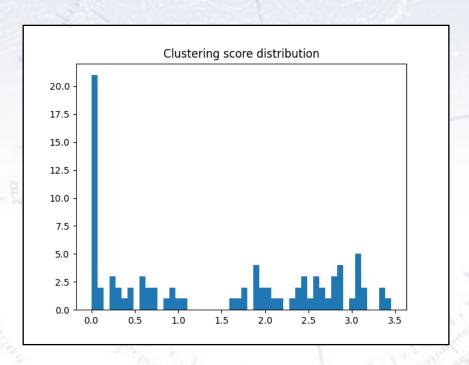


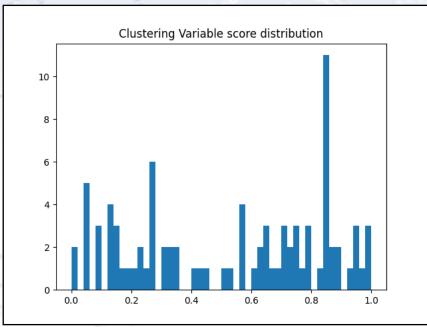
Score distributions for **regression** performance and variable choice:



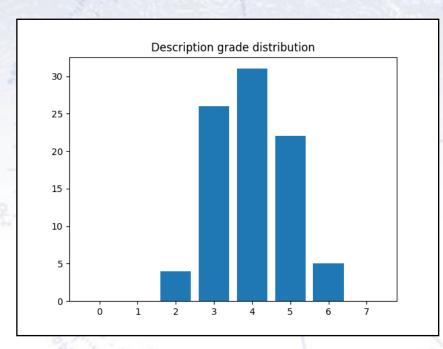


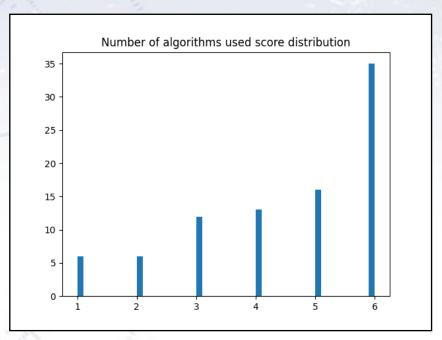
Score distributions for clustering performance and variable choice:





The scores for descriptions and number of different algorithms (that work!) are:





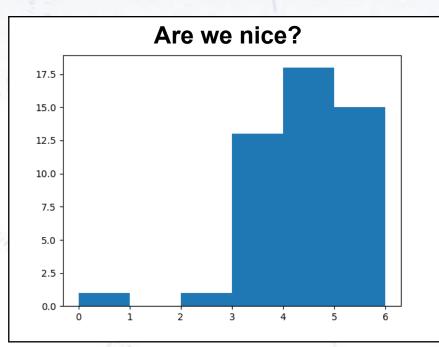
I read several of the "lower scoring" descriptions, but must say that I found them "reasonably acceptable", so in general the level was high (but don't do transformation of variables, when using a BDT!).

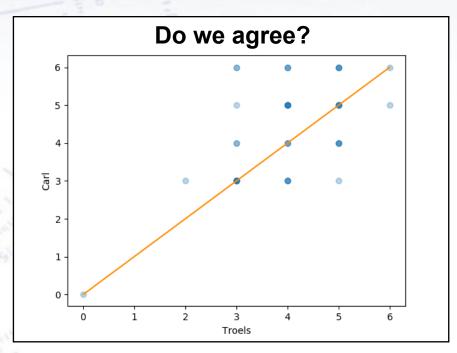
On algorithms, it was great to see that you both stuck with what you knew, but also explored new algorithms and got them working.

### Your description reports

We read through your descriptions, and did a manual scoring (the only) based on choice of algorithms, hyperparameter optimisation, and data division (e.g. cross validation). Each yielded a score of 0-2, giving a total score of 0-6 points.

Numbers from 2021 (where Carl and I did it):





As you can see, we were generally satisfied. The descriptions were short and to the point, and give some insight into your line of thinking and working.



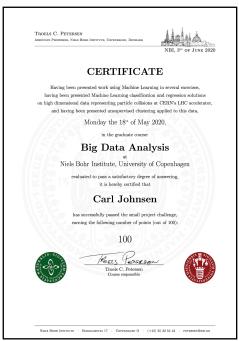
### Feedback to you

We have created a small report back to you, which consists of:

- A certificate for you to be proud of handing in...
- A summary for you to know how you did...
- A solution scoring with key numbers and illustrations for you to understand how your model performed.

These are (hopefully) being mailed to you by all of us right now. Please sit down after class and look through them.

Also, don't hesitate to discuss them with your peers. Perhaps you have already done this (great), but this feedback and reflection is the process through which you learn the most... please use it.



### Classification report

By now you should know what all the different plots and number are...

The solution gave the following metrics: Equation Value Metric 0.940735 Accuracy sklearn.metrics.accuracy\_score AUC 0.976952 sklearn.metrics.auc Cross entropy sklearn.metrics.log\_loss 0.153488The solution produced the following plots:

Figure 1: **Left:** ROC curve for the tensorflow2 implementation. The orange curve should be as close to the upper left corner as possible. **Right:** Confusion matrix for the tensorflow2 implementation. The diagonal squares ((0,0) and (1,1)) should have the higher values.

### Regression report

| e solution gave the follow | wing metrics:                              |            |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------|
| Metric                     | Equation                                   | Value      |
| MAE - Absolute             | sklearn.metrics.mean_absolute_error        | 6953.2194  |
| MAE - Relative             | $\sum \left  rac{y_p - y_t}{y_t} \right $ | 9060.6884  |
| RMS                        | $\sqrt{mean((y_p-y_t)^2)}$                 | 14261.8800 |
| RMS 98th percentile        | $\sqrt{mean((y_p-y_t)^2)}$                 | 9238.8301  |
| RMS 90th percentile        | $\sqrt{mean((y_p-y_t)^2)}$                 | 6074.5612  |
| RMS 70th percentile        | $\sqrt{mean((y_p-y_t)^2)}$                 | 4586.3129  |

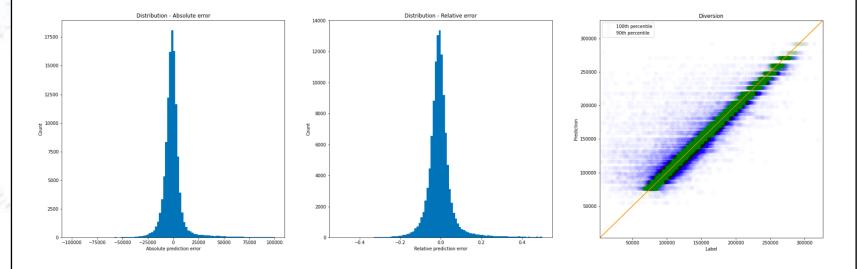


Figure 2: **Upper:** Distribution plots for the xgboost1 implementation. The plots are for absolute error (Left) and relative error (Right.). Both plots should have a tall narrow curve, centered around 0. **Lower:** Diversion plot for the xgboost1 implementation. The dots should be scattered close to the line - especially for the 90th percentile.

### Clustering report

The clustering report is necessarily not very detailed, as unsupervised learning carries a great deal of uncertainty on what you're doing.

However, remember the remark by Alexander Nielsen about t-SNE & UMAP, but applied more generally:

"I always start by throwing a clustering algorithm at data, just to see what structures turn up, if any.

Even the latter result tells me something valuable for the further analysis."

### clustering - KMeans

The solution produced the following metrics:

| Metric   | Equation                       | Value  |
|----------|--------------------------------|--------|
| Accuracy | sklearn.metrics.accuracy_score | 0.7492 |

To compute the accuracy, the following mapping was used, based on the clusters resemblance to electron classification:

The solution provided the following plot:

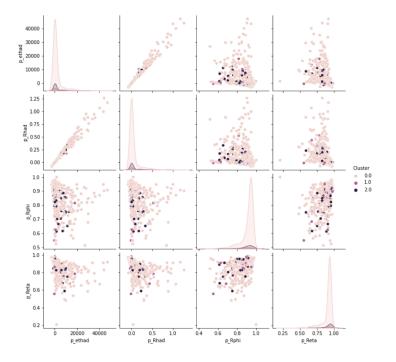


Figure 6: Pairplot for the KMeans implementation. The variables chosen are the top 4 most used variables for clustering. There should be a clear distinction of the clusters.

# Thank you, for all your hard work