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Agenda

- Intro to Automatic Machine Learning (AutoML)
- Random Grid Search & Stacked Ensembles
- H2O's AutoML (R, Python, GUI)
- H2O-3 Roadmap
- Hands-on Tutorial

Intro to AutoML

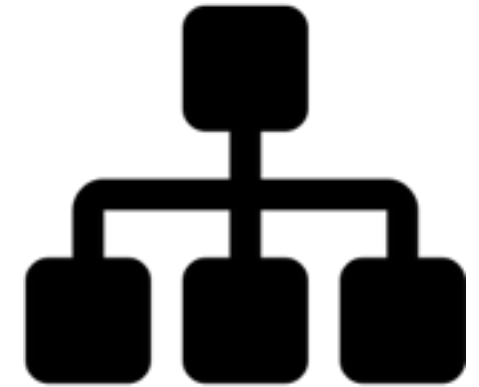
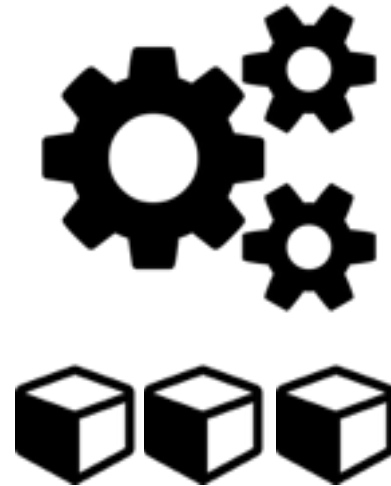
Automatic Machine Learning

Aspects of Automatic ML



Data Prep

Model
Generation



Ensembles

Data Prep

- Imputation of missing data
- Standardization of numeric features
- One-hot encoding of categorical features
- Count/Label/Target encoding of categorical features
- Feature selection and/or feature extraction (e.g. PCA)
- Feature engineering

Model Generation

- Cartesian grid search
- Random grid search
- Tune individual models via Early Stopping
- Bayesian Hyperparameter Optimization

Ensembles

- Bagging / Averaging
- Stacking / Super Learning
- Ensemble Selection

Random Stacking

Random Grids + Stacked Ensembles

Stacked Ensembles

$$n \left\{ \overbrace{\begin{bmatrix} X \end{bmatrix}}^m \begin{bmatrix} y \end{bmatrix} \right.$$



- Specify L base learners (with model params).
- Specify a metalearner (just another algo).
- Perform k-fold cross-validation on the base learners.

Stacked Ensembles

$$n \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} p_1 \end{bmatrix} \cdots \begin{bmatrix} p_L \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y \end{bmatrix} \right\} \rightarrow n \left\{ \overbrace{\begin{bmatrix} Z \end{bmatrix}}^L \begin{bmatrix} y \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

- Collect cross-validated predicted values from base learners.
- Train a second-level metalearning algorithm to find the optimal combination of base learners.
- Metalearner requires only a small amount of compute on top of the cross-validation process (it's cheap).

Random Grid Search + Stacking

- Random Grid Search combined with Stacked Ensembles is a powerful combination.
- Stacked Ensembles perform particularly well if the models they are based on (1) are ***individually strong***, and (2) ***make uncorrelated errors***.
- Random Grid Search is an excellent way to create a diverse of models for the ensemble.

H2O AutoML

Automatic Machine Learning in H2O

H2O Machine Learning Platform

- Distributed (multi-core + multi-node) implementations of cutting edge ML algorithms.
- Core algorithms written in high performance Java.
- APIs available in R, Python, Scala & web GUI.
- Works on Hadoop, Spark, EC2, your laptop, etc.
- Easily deploy models to production as pure Java code.



H2O AutoML (first cut)

- Imputation, one-hot encoding, standardization.
- Random Grid Search over a custom hyperparameter space, defined by expert data scientists.
- Early stopping of individual models and random grids.
- GBMs, Random Forests, Deep Neural Nets, GLMs
- Multiple Stacked Ensembles of models.
- Leaderboard for ranking.

H2O AutoML in R

Example

```
library(h2o)
```

```
h2o.init()
```

```
train <- h2o.importFile("train.csv")
```

```
aml <- h2o.automl(y = "response_colname",  
                 training_frame = train,  
                 max_runtime_secs = 600)
```

```
lb <- aml@leaderboard
```

H2O AutoML in Python

Example

```
import h2o
from h2o.automl import H2OAutoML
h2o.init()

train = h2o.import_file("train.csv")

aml = H2OAutoML(max_runtime_secs = 600)
aml.train(y = "response_colname",
          training_frame = train)

lb = aml.leaderboard
```

H2O AutoML in Flow

The screenshot displays the H2O Flow web interface. At the top, a navigation bar includes the H2O FLOW logo and menu items: Flow, Cell, Data, Model, Score, Admin, and Help. Below this, the page title is 'Untitled Flow'. A toolbar with various icons for file operations and execution is visible. The main workspace shows a single widget named 'runAutoML' with a configuration panel. The configuration includes dropdown menus for Training Frame (train.hex), Response Column (response_colname), Fold Column, Weights Column, Validation Frame, and Leaderboard Frame. It also features input fields for Seed (-1), Max models to build, Max Run Time (sec) (3600), Early stopping metric (AUTO), Early stopping rounds (3), and Stopping Tolerance. A 'Build Model' button is located at the bottom of the configuration panel. The status bar at the bottom indicates 'Ready' and 'Connections: 0 H2O'.

H2O FLOW

Flow Cell Data Model Score Admin Help

Untitled Flow

runAutoML

12ms

Run AutoML

Training Frame: train.hex

Response Column: response_colname

Fold Column: (Select)

Weights Column: (Select)

Validation Frame: (Select)

Leaderboard Frame: (Select)

Seed: -1

Max models to build:

Max Run Time (sec): 3600

Early stopping metric: AUTO

Early stopping rounds: 3

Stopping Tolerance:

Build Model

Ready

Connections: 0 H2O

H2O AutoML Leaderboard

model_id	auc	logloss
StackedEnsemble_AllModels_0_AutoML_20171121_012135	0.788321	0.554019
StackedEnsemble_BestOfFamily_0_AutoML_20171121_012135	0.783099	0.559286
GBM_grid_0_AutoML_20171121_012135_model_1	0.780554	0.560248
GBM_grid_0_AutoML_20171121_012135_model_0	0.779713	0.562142
GBM_grid_0_AutoML_20171121_012135_model_2	0.776206	0.564970
GBM_grid_0_AutoML_20171121_012135_model_3	0.771026	0.570270
DRF_0_AutoML_20171121_012135	0.734653	0.601520
XRT_0_AutoML_20171121_012135	0.730457	0.611706
GBM_grid_0_AutoML_20171121_012135_model_4	0.727098	0.666513
GLM_grid_0_AutoML_20171121_012135_model_0	0.685211	0.635138

Example Leaderboard for binary classification

H2O-3 Roadmap

Coming Soon to H2O

H2O-3 Roadmap

Feature	Q1	Q2
<i>New Algorithm: Cox-Proportional Hazards</i>		
<i>GLM: Ordinal Regression</i>		
<i>GBM: Quasibinomial</i>		
<i>NLP Improvements, TF-IDF</i>		
<i>Stacked Ensemble: Custom Metalearner</i>		
<i>AutoML: New Ensembles</i>		
<i>AutoML: Add XGBoost</i>		
<i>Distributed XGBoost</i>		
<i>New Algorithm: Factorization Machines</i>		

<https://tinyurl.com/h2o-automl-jira>

- Documentation: <http://docs.h2o.ai>
- Tutorials: <https://github.com/h2oai/h2o-tutorials>
- Slidedecks: <https://github.com/h2oai/h2o-meetups>
- Videos: <https://www.youtube.com/user/0xdata>
- Events & Meetups: <http://h2o.ai/events>
- Stack Overflow: <https://stackoverflow.com/tags/h2o>
- Google Group: <https://tinyurl.com/h2ostream>
- Gitter: <http://gitter.im/h2oai/h2o-3>

DEMO

Hands-on Tutorial

First-time Qwiklab Account Setup

- Go to <http://h2oai.qwiklab.com>
- Click on “JOIN”
- Create a new account with a valid email address
- You will receive a confirmation email
 - Click on the link in the confirmation email
- Go back to <http://h2oai.qwiklab.com> and log in
- Go to the Catalog on the left bar
- Choose “Introduction to AutoML in H2O”
- Wait for instructions

H2O AutoML Tutorial



<https://tinyurl.com/automl-h2oworld17>

Code and data available here