
COMP40270 - Cognitive Modelling

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Theory

“to identify members of a given category people compare the given instance with the examples in their memory, the most similar category is returned”

Implementation

- Assumption: the model is fitted over the all possible single categories
- Distance model
 - given a new **query** instance
 - compute the distance between **query** and the instances in **memory**
 - distance given by number of mismatch
 - return the membership for the category in the query
- Conjunctions not in memory → compute the **avg** of single categories
 - *fast* response

Code

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#####  
#      Distance Model      #  
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# Create the distance model and fit  
dist_mod = DistanceModel(CONJ_DICT["avg"])  
dist_mod.fit(x_train, y_train)  
  
print("prediction over training set -- distance model")  
pred = dist_mod.predict(x_train, y_train)  
save_results(pred, y_train.values.flatten())  
  
print("prediction over test set -- distance model")  
pred = dist_mod.predict(x_test, queries)  
# Save zscore results  
save_results(zscore(pred), zscore(user_results.values.flatten()), path="distance_model_avg.csv")
```

Code - DistanceModel

```
def __init__(self, conjunction_eval=CONJ_DICT["prod"]):
    self.data = None
    self.target = None
    self.conjunction_eval = validate_conjunction(conjunction_eval).f
```

```
def fit(self, x_train, y_train):
    """
    Fit the model. Store all the data used by the model.
    :param x_train: training values, type: pandas DataFrame
    :param y_train: target values, type: pandas Series
    """
    if not isinstance(x_train, pd.DataFrame):
        raise TypeError("x_train is not an instance of " + pd.DataFrame.__name__)
    if not isinstance(y_train, pd.Series):
        raise TypeError("y_train is not an instance of " + pd.Series.__name__)
    if len(x_train) != len(y_train):
        raise ValueError("x_train and y_train with different size")
    self.data = x_train
    self.target = y_train
```

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def predict(self, x_test, queries):
    """
    Compute probability that each sample in x_test is an instance of the corresponding class in queries.
    :param x_test: test values, type: pandas DataFrame
    :param queries: list of query for the samples in x_test, type: pandas Series
    """

    if self.data is None or self.target is None:
        raise NotFittedError("This instance of " + self.__class__.__name__ + " is not fitted yet")
    if not isinstance(x_test, pd.DataFrame):
        raise TypeError("x_test is not an instance of " + pd.DataFrame.__name__)
    if not isinstance(queries, pd.Series):
        raise TypeError("queries is not an instance of " + pd.Series.__name__)
    if len(x_test) != len(queries):
        raise ValueError("x_test and queries with different size")

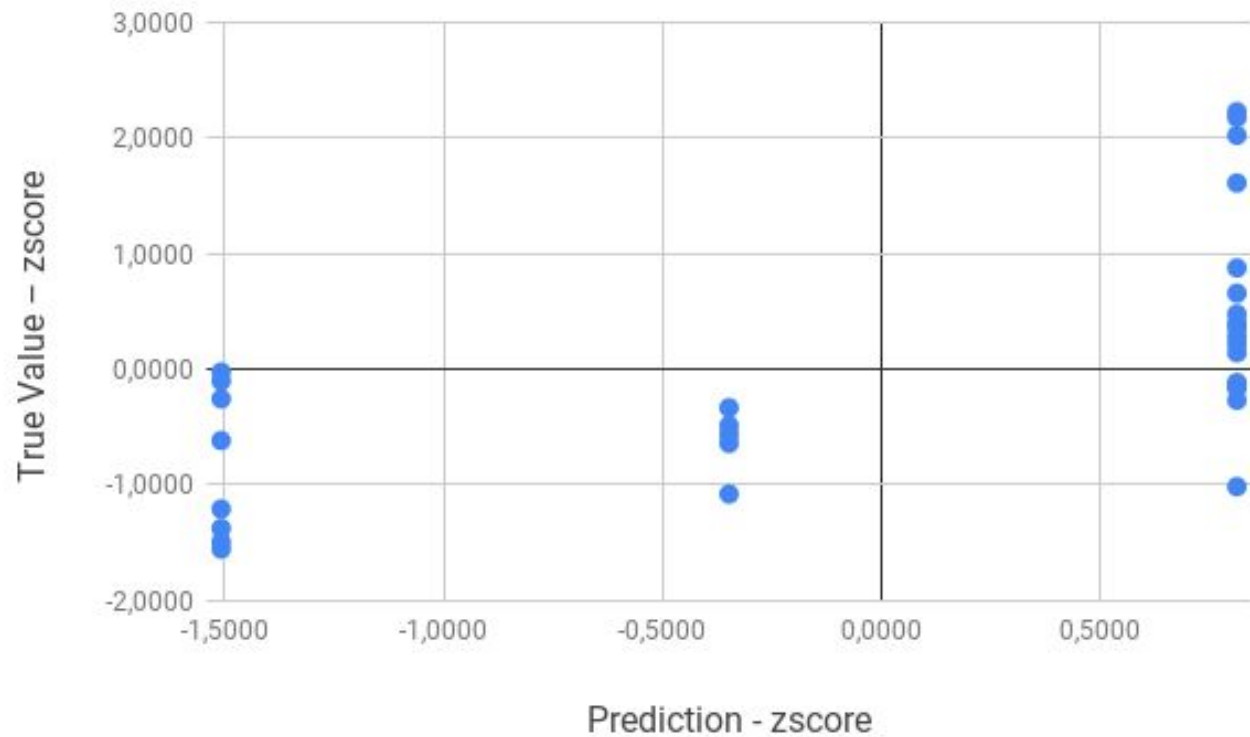
    # Distance is computed as number of mismatch
    distance_func = lambda row1, row2: sum([1 for e1, e2 in zip(row1, row2) if e1 == e2])
    res = []
    for j, x in x_test.iterrows():
        query = queries[j]
        indexes = self.target.index[self.target.str.contains(query)].tolist()
        if len(indexes) > 0:
            res.append(max([distance_func(x, self.data.loc[i]) for i in indexes]) / x_test.shape[1])
        elif "and" in query:
            classes = query.replace(" ", "").split("and")
            conj = []
            for c in classes:
                indexes = self.target.index[self.target == c].tolist()
                conj.append(max([distance_func(x, self.data.loc[i]) for i in indexes]) / x_test.shape[1])
            res.append(self.conjunction_eval(conj))
        else:
            raise ValueError(query + " is not a good value for query")
    return res

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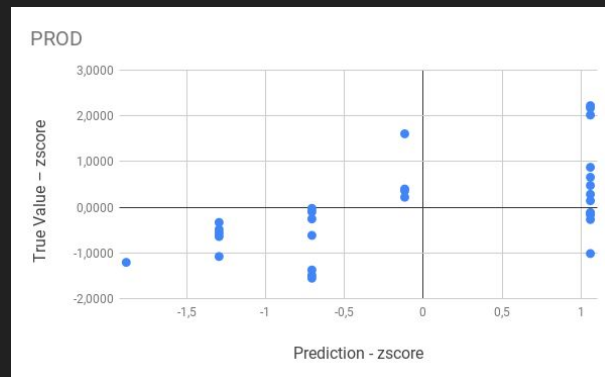
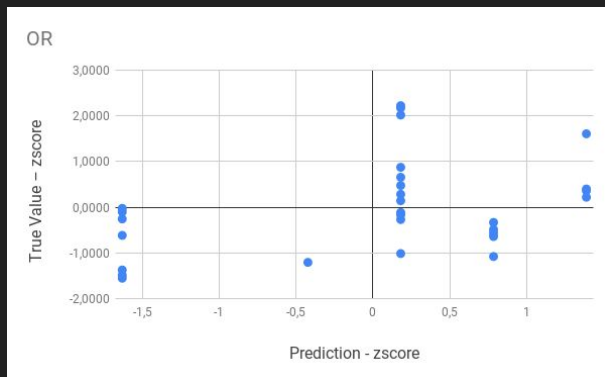
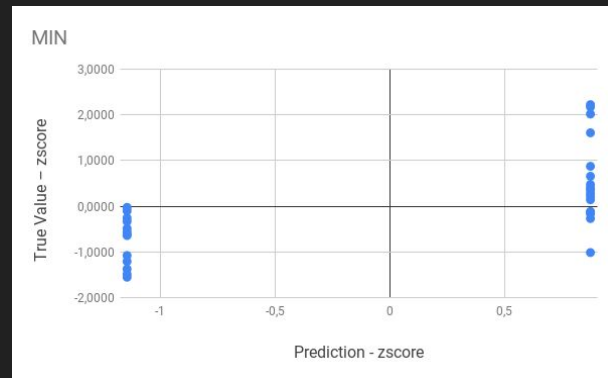
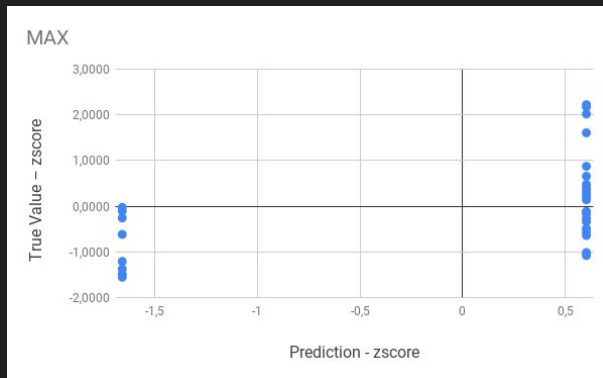
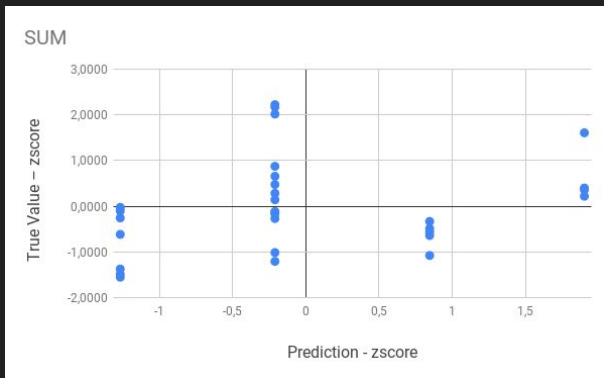
Results

query	True Value – z score	Prediction - zscore
category A	2,1720	0,8119
category A	-1,5530	-1,5078
category A	-0,1150	0,8119
category A	-0,1020	-1,5078
category A	0,2830	0,8119
category B	0,1420	0,8119
category B	-0,1400	0,8119
category B	-0,6160	-1,5078
category B	0,4760	0,8119
category B	2,2230	0,8119
category C	-1,4890	-1,5078
category C	2,0180	0,8119
category C	-0,2690	0,8119
category C	0,6560	0,8119
category C	-1,0140	0,8119
categories A and B	0,8740	0,8119
categories A and B	-1,3740	-1,5078
categories A and B	-0,2560	-1,5078
categories A and B	-0,0250	-1,5078
categories A and B	-0,1660	0,8119
categories A and C	-0,6410	-0,3480
categories A and C	-0,3330	-0,3480
categories A and C	0,3610	0,8119
categories A and C	-0,5640	-0,3480
categories A and C	-1,0780	-0,3480
categories B and C	-1,2070	-1,5078
categories B and C	1,6070	0,8119
categories B and C	-0,4870	-0,3480
categories B and C	0,2190	0,8119
categories B and C	0,3990	0,8119





Other experiments



Conclusion

- Distance model
 - not economical
 - expensive in memory and time
 - compute similarity over all examples
 - store all the training set
- avg for a quick judgment
 - irrational approach
- In general the model
 - works well with conjunctions
 - some error with single categories