# INFSCI 2915: Machine Learning Classification Performance Evaluation—Confusion Matrix, Precision, Recall, ROC

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## Skewed Classes

- Skewed classes (dataset is imbalanced): when there is no sufficient training examples for one of the classes
  - For example in the default data set, 3% of the training examples actually defaulted and 97% did not.
    - In this case, a trivial classifier that always predicts that an individual will not default will have error rate of at most 3% (relatively good)

 Another example: assume that email spam detection system has data set with only 1% of emails are spam.. Predicting all emails are not spam would lead to 99% accuracy (or 1% error rate)

#### Performance Measures

 Thus, error rate (discussed before) is not sufficient evaluation metric when classes are skewed

• Other metrics are more convenient: confusion matrix, precision, recall, ...

• These measures are also helpful to analyze the performance of classifiers even if classes are not skewed (have balanced dataset)

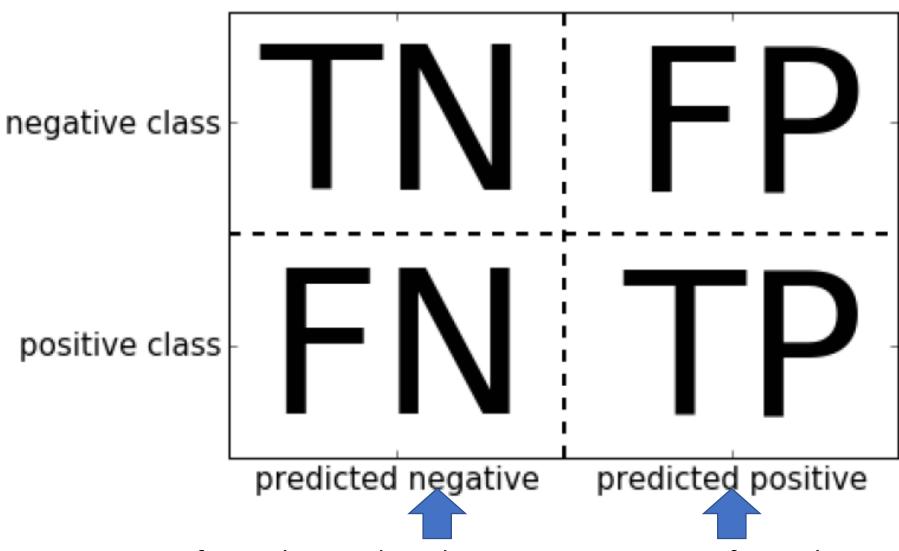
## Confusion Matrix

- Assume two classes: negative class (Null) & positive class (Non-null)
  - In case of imbalanced dataset: Positive class is the rare class

		Predicted class		
		– or Null	+ or Non-null	
True	– or Null	True Neg. (TN)	False Pos. (FP)	
class	+ or Non-null	False Neg. (FN)	True Pos. (TP)	

- False positive (FP): # samples in negative class misclassified as positive
- True positive (TP): # correctly classified samples belonging to positive class
- False negative (FN): # samples in positive class misclassified as negative
- True negative (TN): # correctly classified samples belonging to negative class

## Confusion matrix



Required: large elements on diagonal & small values on off-diagonal.. Why?

Some of samples predicted negative are true/correct (TN) or false (FN):

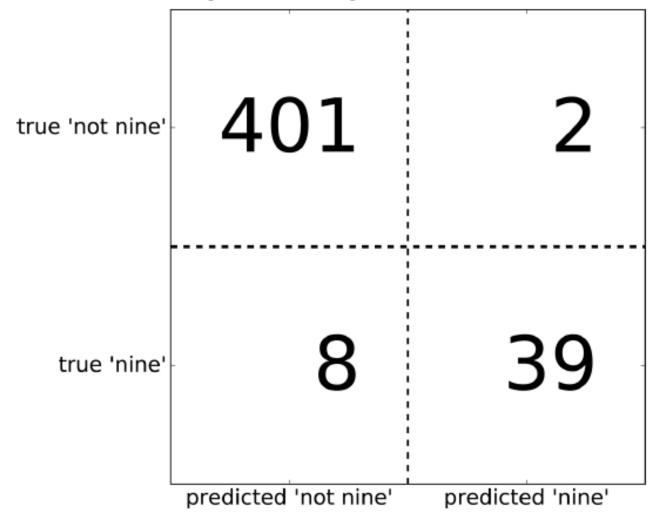
Some of samples predicted as positive are true (FP) or false (FP)

## Example: Imbalanced DataSet

- The dataset in sklearn (load\_digits) contains digits from 0 − 9
- Suppose you want to build a classifier that classifies digit 9 (against the remaining digits 0-8)
  - Your prediction is either the digit is 9 or not
  - You created an imbalanced dataset:
    - Since number of times where 9 appears is much less than the number of times the other digits appear
  - A dummy classifier that selects majority (not 9) will have accuracy around 80%

## Example .. cont

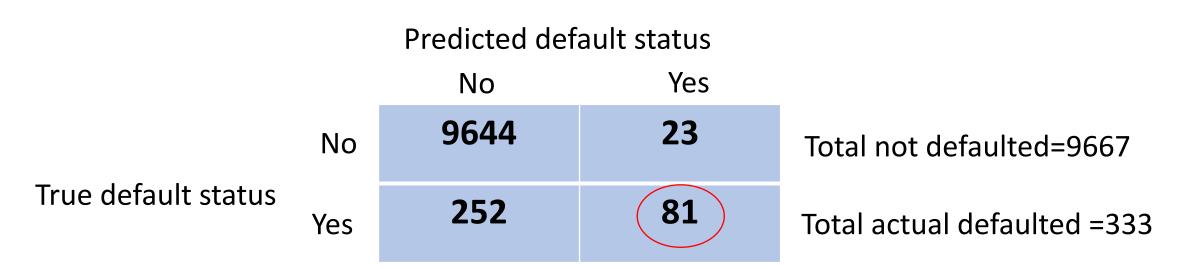
Confusion Matrix of Logistic Regression (C=0.1)



Positive class is the rare class

## Example: Apply LDA to Credit Card Default Data Set

- Objective: predict whether or not an individual will default (i.e., 2 classes: default, not default)
  - Two features (p=2): **income** and **balance** on the credit card
  - Dataset contains information of n=10,000 individuals
- Confusion matrix (here applied on training data for illustration, in real-world we do not use training for evaluation)



#### Two-Class Classification:

- By understanding the performance better through the confusion matrix, we can modify the classifier to go better job based on the requirement.
- For example: with LDA we use Bayes rule and, we predict an individual will default if:

$$P(default = Yes | X = x) > P(default = No | X = x)$$
.

This is equivalent to deciding that an individual will default if:

$$\Pr(\text{default} = \text{Yes}|X = x) > 0.5$$

Note that: 
$$P(default = Yes|X = x) + P(default = No|X = x) = 1$$

• We can modify the classifier by changing the 0.5 threshold!

# Example

- If credit card company wants to avoid incorrectly classifying an individual who will default (& misclassification is less problematic)
  - Then can lower the threshold:

$$\Pr(\text{default} = \text{Yes}|X = x) > 0.2$$

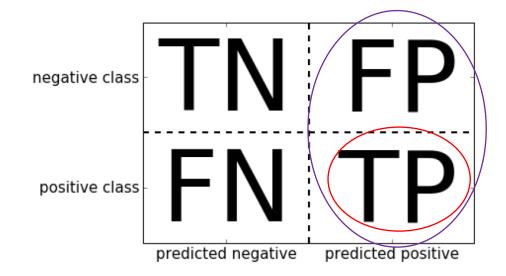
The resulted confusion matrix in this case is:

		Predicted default status	
		No	Yes
	No	9432	235
True default status	Yes	138	195

#### Precision and Recall

• **Precision**: Out of the all classes that we **predicted positive**, what fraction is actually positive

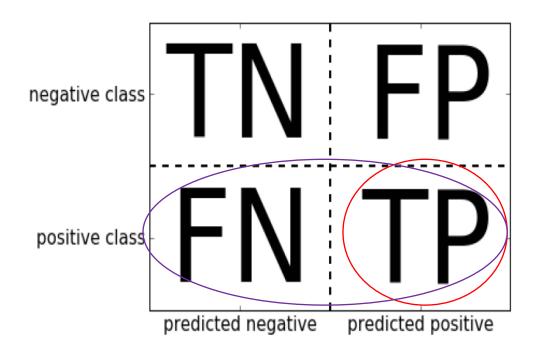
$$Precision = \frac{True \ positive}{All \ predicted \ positives} \\ = \frac{True \ positive \ (TP)}{True \ Positive \ (TP) + False \ Positive \ (FP)}$$



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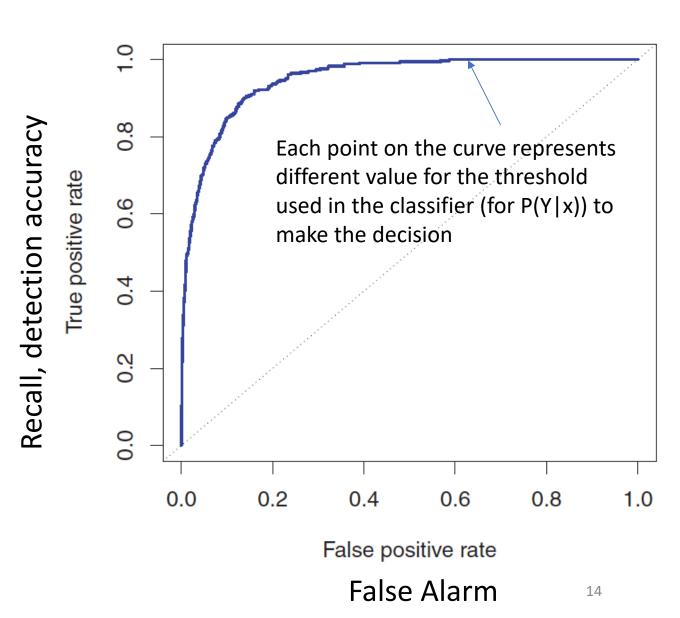
#### Precision and Recall

• Recall (detection accuracy, true positive rate): Out of all the actual positive examples, what fraction we correctly detect as positive  $Recall = \frac{True\ positive}{Actual\ positives} = \frac{True\ positive(TP)}{True\ Positive(TP) + False\ Negative\ (FN)}$ 



## Receiver Operating Characteristics (ROC) Curve

- Curve shows: false positive rate (FPR) versus true positive rate (recall)
  - FPR = FP/(FP+TN)
    - Number of times you misclassified as negative divided by all the negative examples
- ROC is also used to analyze the behavior of the classifier
  - Each point represent different threshold used for classification
- Required: high recall (true positive) and low false positive rate
  - But there is a trade-off between them



#### Multiclass Classification

- Similar to two-class classification, average error or accuracy will not be adequate if the data set is imbalanced datasets
  - Example: Assume 3 classes with a dataset that has: 90% of examples in class 1, 5% in class 2, and 5% in class 3
- We also use confusion matrix:
  - Each row represents a true label, and column elements represents the predicted label

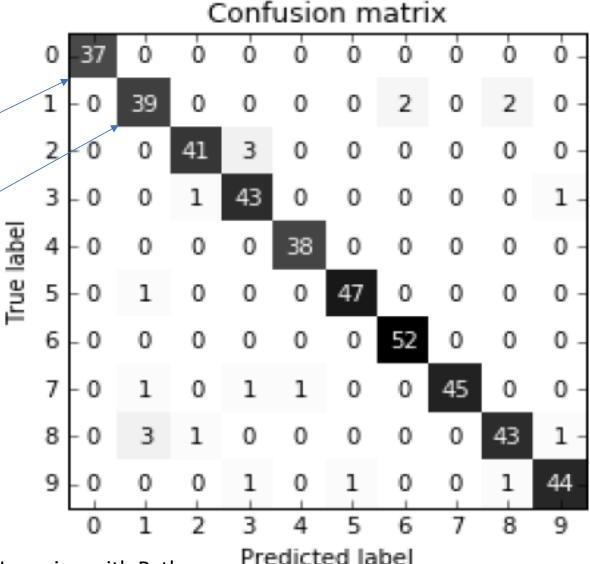
# Example: 10 handwritten digit classification

 Confusion matrix when applying logistic regression with default setting to the load\_digit data set

All digit Zero are classified correctly,

For digit 1, 39 examples are classified correctly, 2 samples are misclassified as 6, and 2 were misclassified as 8

- Precession, Recall can be evaluated for each class in a similar manner as two-class classification
  - Classification report in python



Reference: Muller, Introduction to Machine Learning with Python

## **Evaluation Metrics in Python**

```
from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix, precision_score, recall_score

PredictedOutput=Model.predict(X_test) # predicted output of classification

confusion=confusion_matrix(Y_test,PredictedOutput)

print(precision_score(Y_test,PredictedOutput))

print(recall_score(Y_test,PredictedOutput))
```

• Classification report for multiclass classification: <a href="http://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.metrics.classification\_report.html">http://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.metrics.classification\_report.html</a>