Building comprehensive searches through a Machine Learning approach for systematic reviews

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Systematic review on clinical trials

Searching not only through standard databases leads to

- Increase of patients from 10% to 50%
- Change in statistics from 0% to 29%

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- No hierarchical branching structure
- Text search is based on few fields
- Cannot use queries' combination

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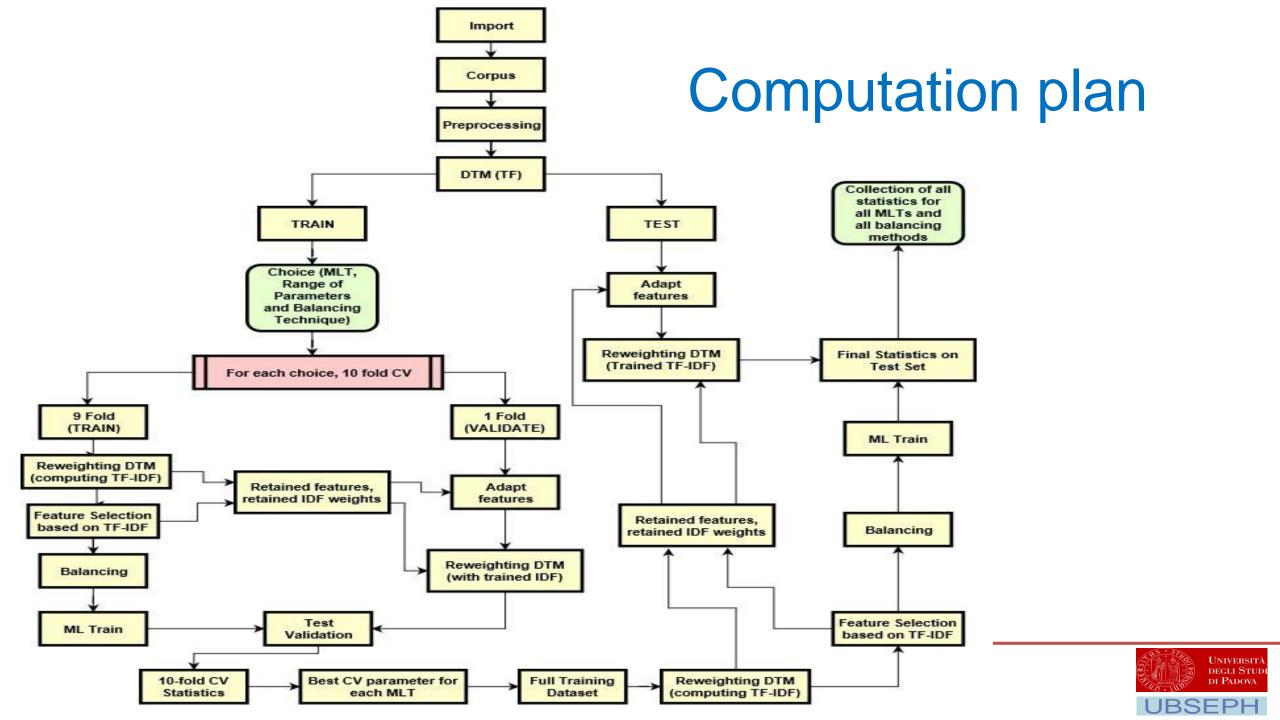


Statistical challenges

- Making text data amenable to analysis
 - -Train and Predict on different sources
 - Dimensionality of data is huge

- Dealing with unbalanced dataset
 - Most of the classifiers are biased towards majority class and perform poorly on minority ones.





Case Studies (method)

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14 Systematic reviews and Meta-analyses re-analyzed by Baudard et al.

Training (PubMED**)**:

- positive: trials originally included in the systematic review
- negative : off topic trials randomly choosed (1/20)

Test (ClinicalTrial.gov):

- positive: trials by Baudard et al. study
- Negative: off topic trials randomly choosed (up to a set of 100)

MLT:

Random Forest (10-fold CV, Random Oversampling Sampling)

	Media	an AUC					0.79	8			
	Median SENS & RECALL					1					
	Media	0.596									
	sr	train_pos	train_neg	test_pos	test_neg	AUC	PPV	PREV	SENS	SPEC	
	Yang	4	200	1	99	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
	Meng	9	200	1	99	0.677	0.015	0.01	1	0.354	
	Segelov	13	400	2	98	0.770	0.043	0.02	1	0.541	
	Li	6	200	1	99	0.859	0.034	0.01	1	0.717	
	Lv	12	400	1	99	0.798	0.024	0.01	1	0.596	
	Wang	32	800	1	99	0.909	0.053	0.01	1	0.818	
	Zhou	9	200	1	99	0.803	0.025	0.01	1	0.606	
	Liu	23	600	21	79	0.918	0.618	0.21	1	0.835	
١,	Douxfils	13	400	1	99	0.606	0.013	0.01	1	0.212	
"	Kourbeti	75	1600	4	96	0.854	0.125	0.04	1	0.708	
	Li	9	200	2	98	0.592	0.024	0.02	1	0.184	
	Cavender	6	200	1	99	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
	Chatterjee	18	400	1	99	0.515	0.010	0.01	1	0.030	
	Funakoshi	9	200	2	98	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	



