

# Human Activity Recognition: Machine Learning Prediction Model

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## Executive Summary

In this Analysis we analyze the **Human Activity Recognition**. The dataset has data from accelerometers on the belt, forearm, arm, and dumbbell of 6 participants, that has been asked to perform barbell lifts correctly and incorrectly in 5 different ways. We want to create a model to predict the **manner in which they did the exercise** using the some **linear regression models**. We will use the development model to predict 20 different test cases available in the prediction case dataset.

## 1.1 Load data and basic exploratory data analysis and Data Cleaning

Download and read the csv Training and Prediction dataset; then we split the training dataset in a **training and test dataset** with the proportion of **70/30** for **cross validation**. We'll work on the training data set.

### Loading Data and create training dataset

```
temp <- tempfile()
download.file(paste0("https://d396qusza40orc.cloudfront.net/predmachlearn/pml-training.csv"), destfile=temp, mode="wb")
## READING DATASET
source_training_dataset <- read.csv2(temp, sep=";", stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
unlink(temp)

temp <- tempfile()
download.file(paste0("https://d396qusza40orc.cloudfront.net/predmachlearn/pml-testing.csv"), destfile=temp, mode="wb")
## READING DATASET
prediction_final_dataset <- read.csv2(temp, sep=";", stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
unlink(temp)

intrain <- createDataPartition(source_training_dataset$classe, p=0.7, list=FALSE)
training <- source_training_dataset[intrain,]
test <- source_training_dataset[-intrain, ]
```

### Explorative Analysis

```
# "classe" variable is the manner in which they did the exercise
print( paste0("The training dataset has ", ncol(training), " variables, and ", nrow(training), " rows") )

[1] "The training dataset has 160 variables, and 13737 rows"
#hide results too wide

#summary(training)
```

```
#str(training)
```

## Cleaning the dataset

The Basic Explorative Analysis shows there are many variables with a lot of NA, we proceed **removing columns with more than 50% of NAs**.

```
## Remove columns with more than 50% NA
training <- training[, which(colMeans(!is.na(training)) > 0.5)]
```

Now We remove the **near 0 variance** column from the training data set.

```
training<-training[, -nearZeroVar(training)]
```

Now We also remove **the predictors like timestamp, windows, name of the participant**

```
training<-training %>% select(-X, -user_name, -contains('timestamp'), -contains('window'))
```

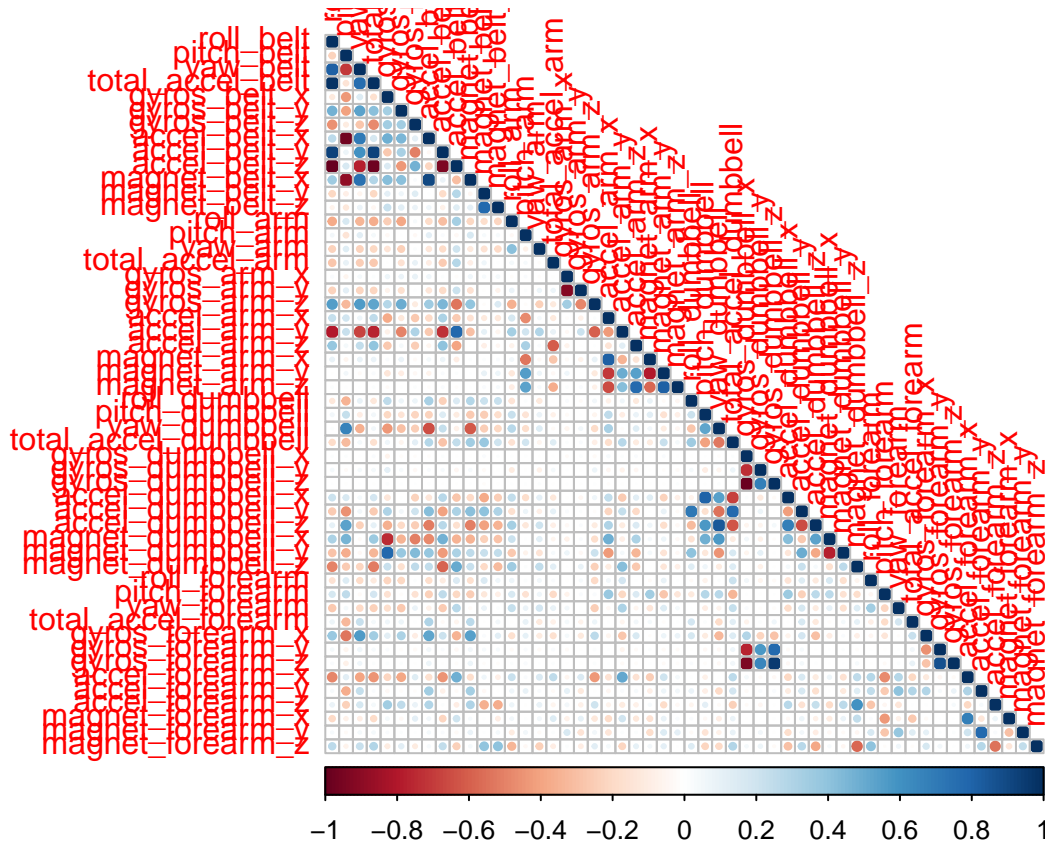
Conver all character variables to **numeric**

```
training<-training %>% mutate_at(vars(-classe), as.numeric)
```

## Analyzing correlation in feautres

In the remaining feautres we look for correlated attributes, we'll remove highly correlated attributes.

```
# Remove further using feature selection
correlationMatrix <- cor(training %>% select(-classe))
corrplot(correlationMatrix, type="lower")
```



```
Correlated <- findCorrelation(correlationMatrix, cutoff = 0.95)
```

```
colnames(training[,Correlated])
```

```
[1] "accel_belt_z" "roll_belt" "accel_belt_x"
```

```
[4] "gyros_dumbbell_z"
```

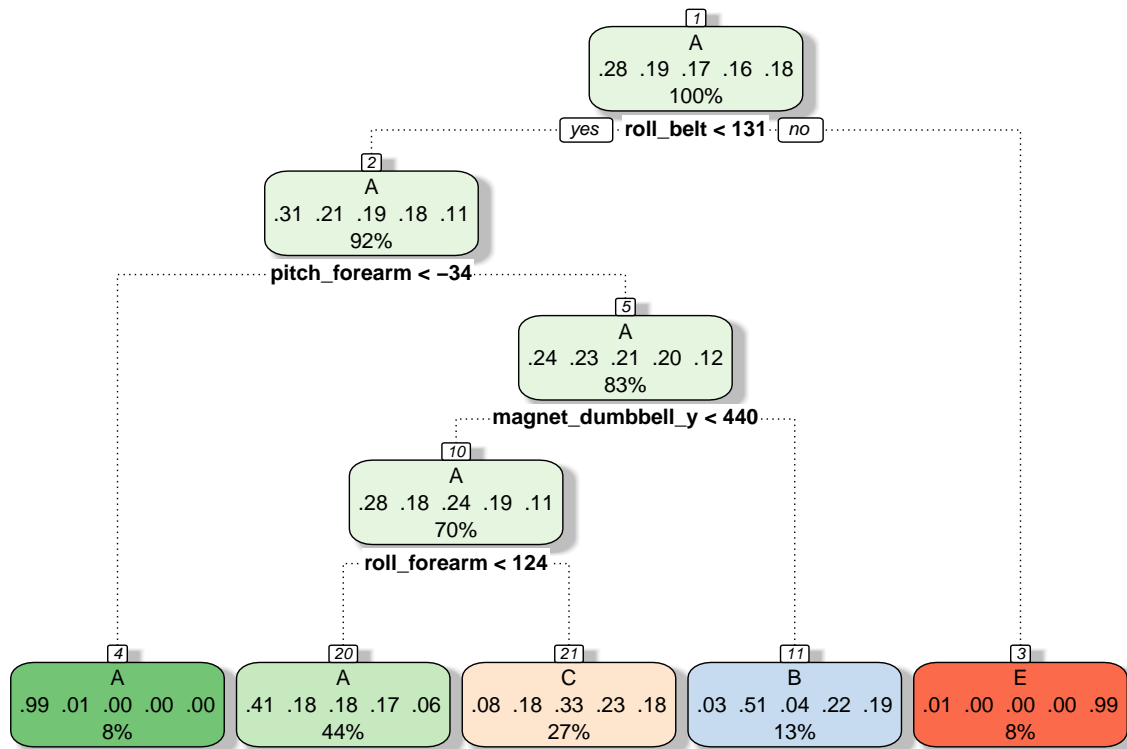
We have few correlated variables, we keep them in the dataset, as enanchement we can consider in the future to execute a PCA to reduce correlation.

## 1.2 Prediction Models

We create 3 fit model Decision Tree, Random Forest, Gradient Boostin and then we test the out of sample performance to select the best model for our prediction.

### Decision Tree

```
fitDT <- train(classe ~ ., data = training, method= "rpart")
fancyRpartPlot(fitDT$finalModel)
```



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## Random Forest

```
# 3 times cross validation.
my_control <- trainControl(method = "cv", number = 3 )
fitRF <- train(classe ~ ., data = training, method= "rf", prox=TRUE, ntree = 100, trControl=my_control)
```

## Gradient Boosting

```
my_control <- trainControl(method = "cv", number = 3 )
fitGBM <- train(classe ~ ., data = training, method= "gbm", verbose=FALSE, trControl=my_control )
```

## 1.3 Accuracy Test and Alghoritm Selection

Now we test the **accuracy out of sample** of the 3 models on the test set we created from original test set.

```
test<-test %>% mutate_at(vars(-classe) ,as.numeric)

predDT <- predict(fitDT, test)
predRF <- predict(fitRF, test)
predGBM <- predict(fitGBM, test)

accuracyDT <- confusionMatrix(as.factor(test$classe), as.factor(predDT))
accuracyRF <- confusionMatrix(as.factor(test$classe), as.factor(predRF))
accuracyGBM <- confusionMatrix(as.factor(test$classe), as.factor(predGBM))
```

```
kable((rbind( c(ModelFit= "Decision Tree",accuracyDT$overall[1]), c(ModelFit= "Random Forest",accuracyR
```

| ModelFit          | Accuracy          |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Decision Tree     | 0.493627867459643 |
| Random Forest     | 0.992523364485981 |
| Gradient boosting | 0.965335598980459 |

```
bestFit <- fitRF
```

We select the Random Forest as best fit, because the **accuracy** is of 99.2523364% and the **out of sample error** is 0.7476636% .

## 1.4 Prediction

Now we use the best fit algorithm to predict the classe of the prediction set of the exercise.

```
prediction_final_dataset<-prediction_final_dataset %>% mutate_at(vars(-problem_id) ,as.numeric)
predict(bestFit, prediction_final_dataset)
```

```
[1] B A B A A E D B A A B C B A E E A B B B Levels: A B C D E
```

## 1.5 Conclusion

In this analysis we start from a wide dataset with 160 variables; initially we reduced the variables removing variables with high level on NA values and with near zero variance that can bring bias to out models.

We find that **Random Forest** is the best performing model with an accuracy out of sample of 99.2523364%

We use this model to predict the classes of a new dataset with 20 cases.