

# Over\_Sampling\_for\_Time\_Series\_Classification

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## Introduction

The package OSTSC provides an OSTSC function, which deals with imbalance time series classification problems.

A significant number of learning problems involve the accurate classification of rare events or outliers from time series data. For example, the detection of a flash crash or rogue trading from financial markets data, and heart arrhythmia from an electrocardiogram. Due to the rarity of these events, machine learning classifiers for detecting these events may be biased towards avoiding false positives because any potential for false positives is greatly exaggerated by the number of negative samples in the data set.

OSTSC oversamples the minority classes based on structure preserving oversampling. It defeated many other imbalance data processing approaches, such as standard undersampling, standard oversampling, and SMOTE.

The OSTSC function only processes univariate classification for now.

## Background

The synthetic balanced samples are generated by approaches ESPO and ADASYN.

ESPO is short for enhanced structure preserving oversampling, which is synergistically combined with interpolation-based oversampling ADASYN to form OSTSC. “ESPO is used to generate a large percentage of the synthetic minority samples based on multivariate Gaussian distribution, by estimating the covariance structure of the minority-class samples and by regularizing the unreliable eigen spectrum.”<sup>1</sup>

Given the positive data  $P = \{x_{11}, x_{12}, \dots, x_{1|P|}\}$  and the negative data  $N = \{x_{01}, x_{02}, \dots, x_{0|N|}\}$ , where  $|N| \gg |P|$ ,  $x_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$ , the new samples will be generated in the following steps.

### 1. Removal of Common Null Space

Using  $q_{ij} = L_s^T x_{ij}$  to represent  $x_{ij}$  in a lower-dimensional signal space, where  $L_s$  consists of eigenvectors in the signal space.

### 2. ESPO

Given  $\hat{D}$  is the diagonal matrix of regularized eigen values  $\{\hat{d}_1, \dots, \hat{d}_n\}$ ,  $V$  is the eigenvector matrix from the positive-class covariance matrix,  $\hat{F} = V\hat{D}^{-1/2}$ ,  $\bar{q}_1$  is the corresponding positive-class mean vector,  $z = \hat{F}(b - \bar{q}_1)$ , the sample in the signal space is computed by  $b = \hat{D}^{1/2}V^T z + \bar{q}_1$

### 3. ADASYN

ADASYN is executed in the transformed signal for the efficiency. Given the transformed positive data  $P_t = \{q_{1i}\}$  and negative data  $N_t = \{q_{0j}\}$ , each sample  $q_{1i}$  is duplicated in ratio  $\Gamma_i = |S_{i:k-NN} \cap N_t|/Z$ , where  $S_{i:k-NN}$  is this sample's kNN in the entire dataset,  $Z$  is a normalization factor to make  $\sum_{i=1}^{|P_t|} \Gamma_i = 1$ .

More details about the theories can be read in the referenced article.

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<sup>1</sup>H. Cao, X.-L. Li, Y.-K. Woon and S.-K. Ng, Integrated Oversampling for Imbalanced Time Series Classification. 2013

## Functionality

The package has only one callable function, OSTSC. There's ten parameters users can control, and all of them has default values except the data parameters. For example, the ratio between EPSO generated data and ADASYN generated data is defaulted to be 4:1. But users can always reset this ratio by their own needing.

The package imported R package parallel, doParallel, doSNOW and foreach for parallel control. Parallel is strongly suggested for dataset containing over 30000 observations. The package also imported mvnrm from R package MASS to generate random vectors from the multivariate normal distribution, and imported rdist from R package fields to calculate the Euclidean distance between vector and matrix.

The vignettes displays three examples. For examining the performances, R packages keras, dummies and pROC are required in running the examples.

## Examples

### The synthetically generated control datasets

First of all, let's see how OSTSC performs on small datasets. The dataset synthetic\_control is included in the OSTSC package, which is generated by the process in Alcock and Manolopoulos (1999) (via). The dataset has already split training and testing data, feature and label data. This dataset is small, but extremely imbalance in training dataset.

```
library(OSTSC)
data(synthetic_control)

train_label <- synthetic_control$train_y
train_sample <- synthetic_control$train_x
test_label <- synthetic_control$test_y
test_sample <- synthetic_control$test_x
```

The time series sequences recorded body moving sensor data. Class 1 aims to Normal status, while class 0 aims to Cyclic, Increasing trend, Decreasing trend, Upward shift and Downward shift. The imbalance of training data is 1:50, shown below.

```
table(train_label)
```

```
## train_label
##    0    1
## 250    5
```

This is a simple example to show how to oversample the class 1 to the same amount of class 0, and export the sample and label from oversampled data. There are ten parameters in the OSTSC function, the details of them can be read in the help documents. Users only need to input at least first three variables to be able to call the function.

```
MyData <- OSTSC(train_sample, train_label, k = 4)
over_sample <- MyData$sample
over_label <- MyData$label
```

Now the positive data and negative data are balanced. Let's check the (im)balance of new dataset.

```
table(over_label)
```

```
## over_label
##    0    1
## 250 250
```

Here an Long short-term memory (LSTM) classifier is used to analysis the performance of the OSTSC approach. Using R package keras, to build a LSTM classifier to do time series data classification is effectively and fast.

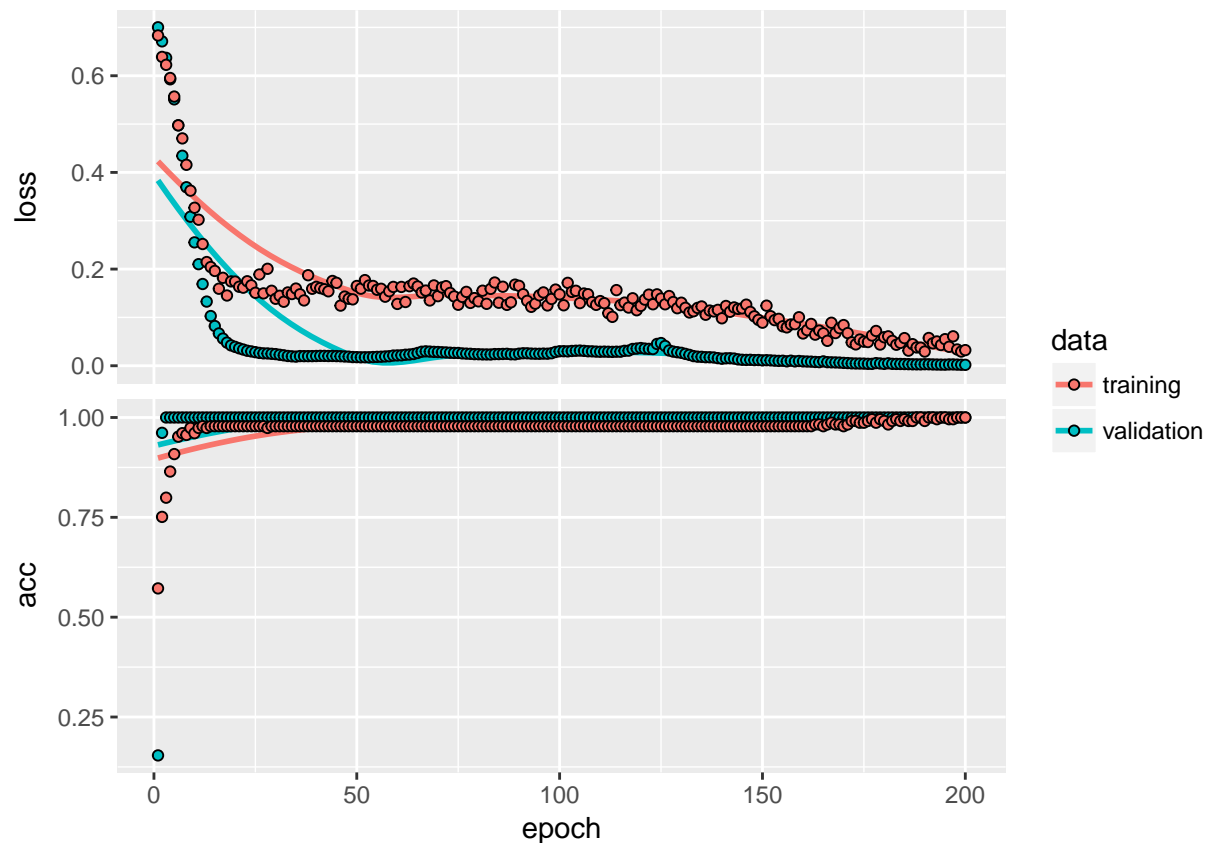
For comparison, first to determine how does the classifier perform on the original data before oversampling.

1. One-hot encode the label vectors into binary class matrices using the Keras `to_categorical()` function. And transform the sample array to 3-dimension for LSTM.

```
library(keras)
train_y <- to_categorical(train_label)
test_y <- to_categorical(test_label)
train_x <- array(train_sample, dim = c(dim(train_sample),1))
test_x <- array(test_sample, dim = c(dim(test_sample),1))
```

2. Initialize a sequential model. Add layers to the model. Compile the model. Store the fitting history and show the plot.

```
model = keras_model_sequential()
model %>%
  layer_lstm(10, input_shape = c(dim(train_x)[2], dim(train_x)[3])) %>%
  layer_dropout(rate = 0.2) %>%
  layer_dense(dim(train_y)[2]) %>%
  layer_dropout(rate = 0.2) %>%
  layer_activation("softmax")
model %>% compile(
  loss = "categorical_crossentropy",
  optimizer = "adam",
  metrics = "accuracy"
)
lstm_before <- model %>% fit(
  x = train_x,
  y = train_y,
  validation_split = 0.1,
  epochs = 200
)
plot(lstm_before)
```



3. Evaluate the model.

```
score <- model %>% evaluate(test_x, test_y)
```

```
## The loss value is 0.2981745 .
```

```
## The metric value (in this case 'accuracy') is 0.9266667 .
```

Then to determine how does the classifier perform on the new data after oversampling.

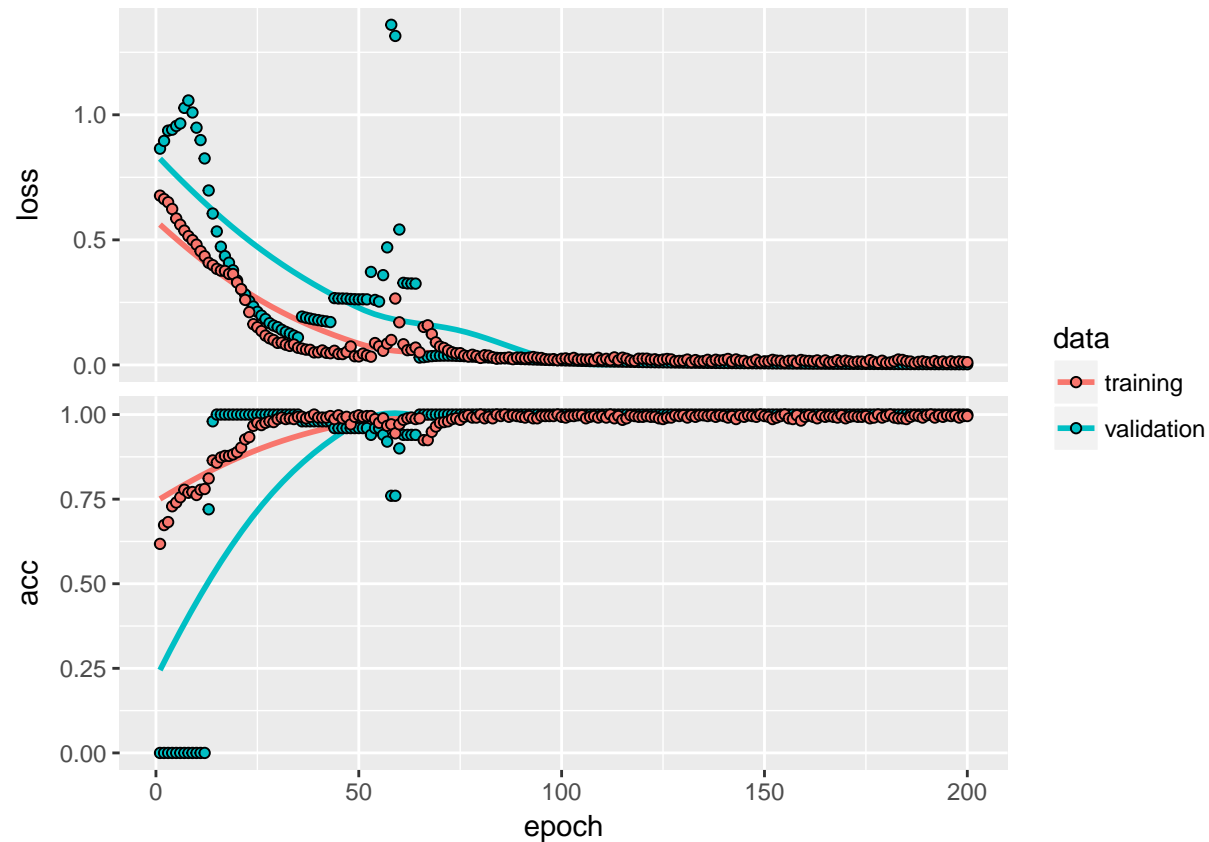
1. One-hot encode the label vectors into binary class matrices using the Keras `to_categorical()` function. And transform the sample array to 3-dimension for LSTM.

```
over_y <- to_categorical(over_label)
over_x <- array(over_sample, dim = c(dim(over_sample),1))
```

2. Initialize a sequential model. Add layers to the model. Compile the model. Store the fitting history and show the plot.

```
model_over = keras_model_sequential()
model_over %>%
  layer_lstm(10, input_shape = c(dim(over_x)[2], dim(over_x)[3])) %>%
  layer_dropout(rate = 0.1) %>%
  layer_dense(dim(over_y)[2]) %>%
  layer_dropout(rate = 0.1) %>%
  layer_activation("softmax")
model_over %>% compile(
  loss = "categorical_crossentropy",
  optimizer = "adam",
  metrics = "accuracy"
```

```
)
lstm_after <- model_over %>% fit(
  x = over_x,
  y = over_y,
  validation_split = 0.1,
  epochs = 200
)
plot(lstm_after)
```



3. Evaluate the model.

```
score_over <- model_over %>% evaluate(test_x, test_y)
```

```
## The loss value is 0.0348289 .
```

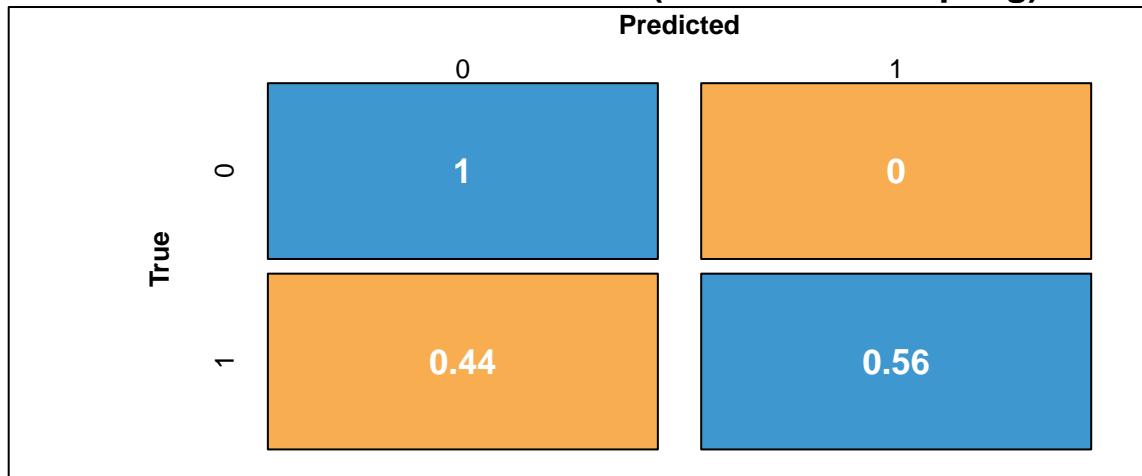
```
## The metric value (in this case 'accuracy') is 0.9933333 .
```

Besides the loss and accuracy, let's compare the confusion matrices. The mis-classification gets less after oversampling.

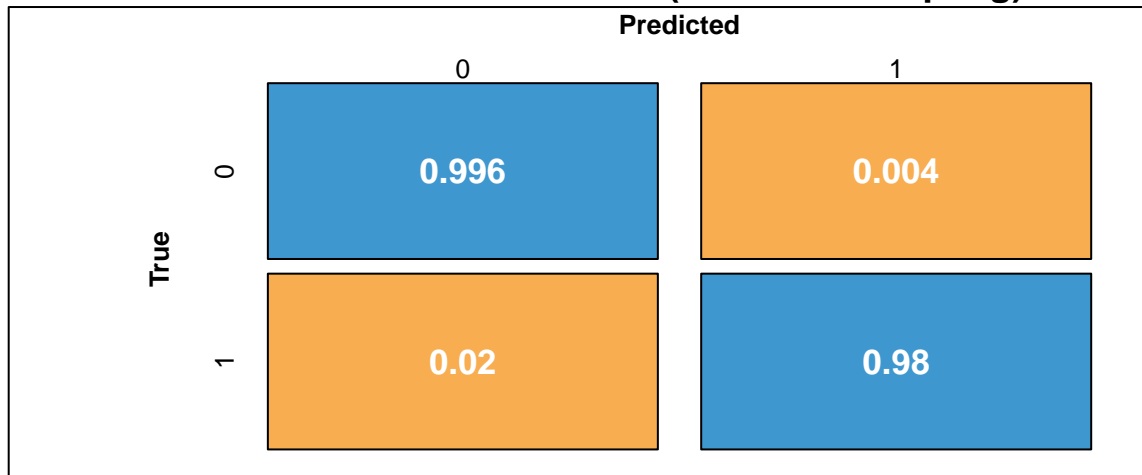
```
pred_label <- model %>% predict_classes(test_x)
pred_label_over <- model_over %>% predict_classes(test_x)
```

```
cm_before <- table(test_label, pred_label)
cm_after <- table(test_label, pred_label_over)
```

**Normalized Confusion Matrix (before oversampling)**

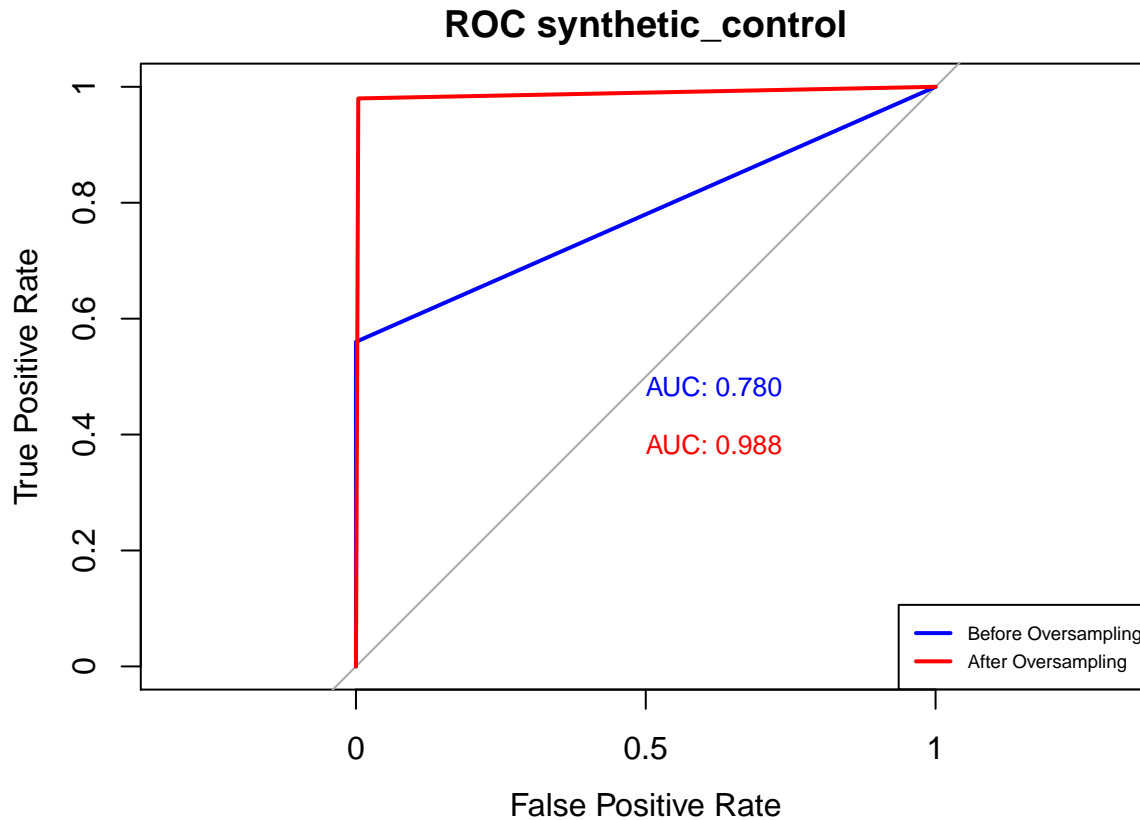


**Normalized Confusion Matrix (after oversampling)**



The ROC plot tells the same.

```
library(pROC)
plot.roc(test_label, pred_label, legacy.axes = TRUE, col = "blue", print.auc = TRUE,
         print.auc.cex= .8, xlab = 'False Positive Rate', ylab = 'True Positive Rate',
         main="ROC synthetic_control")
plot.roc(test_label, pred_label_over, legacy.axes = TRUE, col = "red", print.auc = TRUE,
         print.auc.y = .4, print.auc.cex= .8, add = TRUE)
legend("bottomright", legend=c("Before Oversampling", "After Oversampling"),
      col=c("blue", "red"), lwd=2, cex= .6)
```



This is a simple example on a small size dataset. Let's move to a more complex dataset MHEALTH.

### The MHEALTH dataset

The MHEALTH dataset is devised to benchmark techniques dealing with human behavior analysis based on multimodal body sensing. (via).<sup>2</sup> For example convenience, only subject 1-5 and feature 12 (magnetometer from the left-ankle sensor (X axis)) are used, and the dataset is reformed to binary class. Class 11 (Running) is set as positive, others as negative. The time series sequences length uses 30. Each sequence occurs in one line. The dataset has already split to training and testing data, feature and label data.

```
data(MHEALTH)

train_label <- MHEALTH$train_y
train_sample <- MHEALTH$train_x
test_label <- MHEALTH$test_y
test_sample <- MHEALTH$test_x
```

Class 1 stands for positive data, while class 0 stands for negative. The imbalance of the train dataset is shown below.

```
table(train_label)

## train_label
##      0      1
## 10584    255
```

<sup>2</sup>Banos, O., Garcia, R., Holgado, J. A., Damas, M., Pomares, H., Rojas, I., Saez, A., Villalonga, C. mHealthDroid: a novel framework for agile development of mobile health applications. Proceedings of the 6th International Work-conference on Ambient Assisted Living and Active Ageing (IWAAL 2014), Belfast, Northern Ireland, December 2-5, (2014)

After Oversampling by OSTSC, the positive data and negative data are balanced.

```
MyData <- OSTSC(train_sample, train_label)
over_sample <- MyData$sample
over_label <- MyData$label

table(over_label)
```

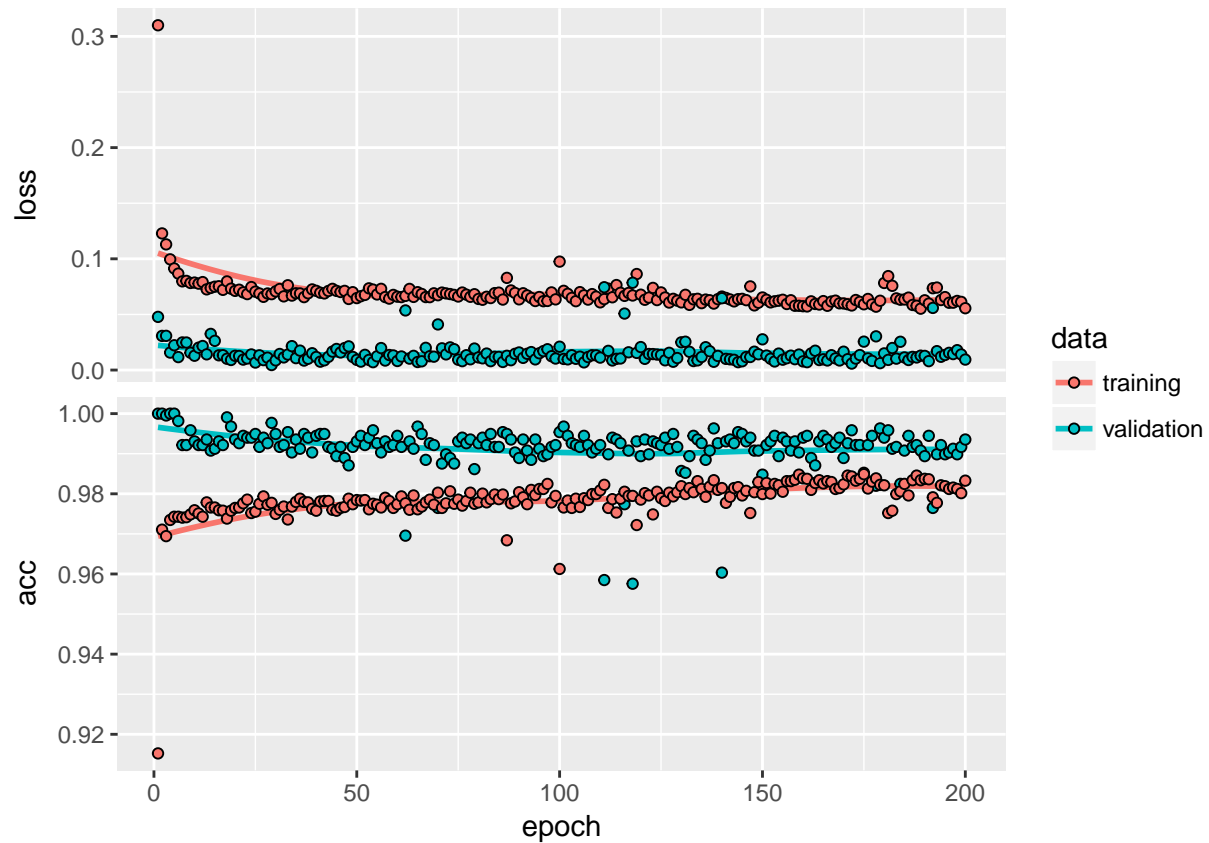
For comparison, we use the same Long short-term memory (LSTM) classifier.

1. To train the classifier on the original data before oversampling.

```
library(keras)
train_y <- to_categorical(train_label)
test_y <- to_categorical(test_label)
train_x <- array(train_sample, dim = c(dim(train_sample),1))
test_x <- array(test_sample, dim = c(dim(test_sample),1))

model = keras_model_sequential()
model %>%
  layer_lstm(10, input_shape = c(dim(train_x)[2], dim(train_x)[3])) %>%
  layer_dropout(rate = 0.2) %>%
  layer_dense(dim(train_y)[2]) %>%
  layer_dropout(rate = 0.2) %>%
  layer_activation("softmax")
model %>% compile(
  loss = "categorical_crossentropy",
  optimizer = "adam",
  metrics = "accuracy"
)
lstm_before <- model %>% fit(
  x = train_x,
  y = train_y,
  validation_split = 0.2,
  epochs = 200
)
plot(lstm_before)
```

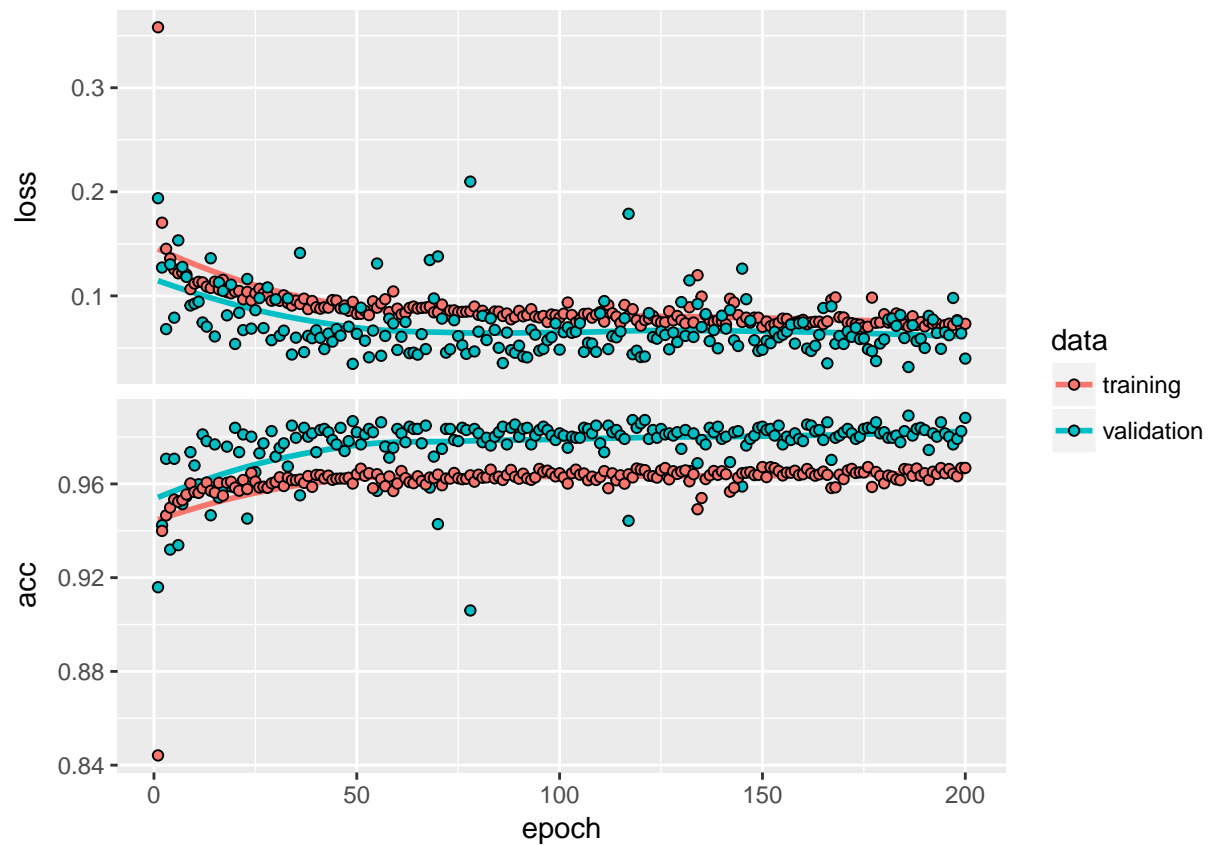




2. To train the classifier on the new data after oversampling.

```
over_y <- to_categorical(over_label)
over_x <- array(over_sample, dim = c(dim(over_sample),1))

model_over = keras_model_sequential()
model_over %>%
  layer_lstm(10, input_shape = c(dim(over_x)[2], dim(over_x)[3])) %>%
  layer_dropout(rate = 0.2) %>%
  layer_dense(dim(over_y)[2]) %>%
  layer_dropout(rate = 0.2) %>%
  layer_activation("softmax")
model_over %>% compile(
  loss = "categorical_crossentropy",
  optimizer = "adam",
  metrics = "accuracy"
)
lstm_after <- model_over %>% fit(
  x = over_x,
  y = over_y,
  validation_split = 0.1,
  epochs = 200
)
plot(lstm_after)
```

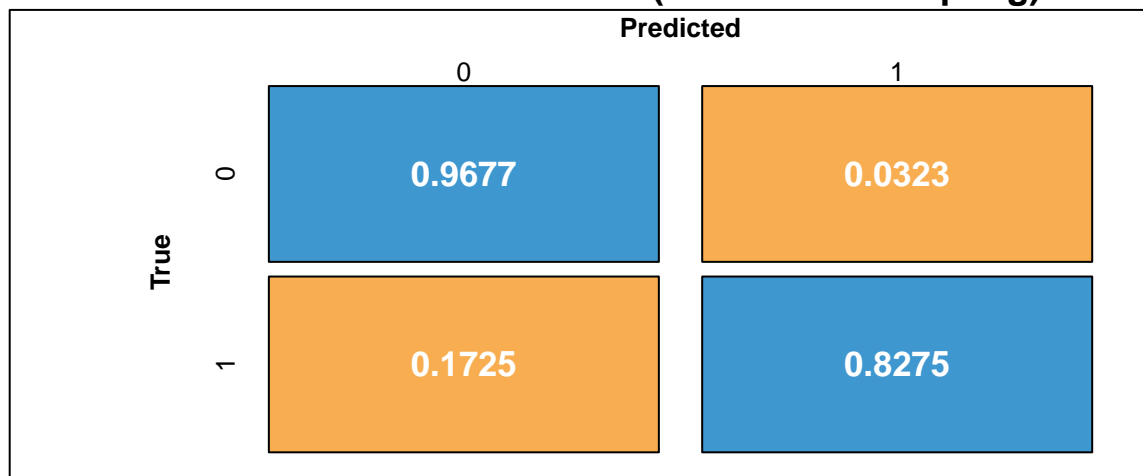


3. To compare the confusion matrices and ROC plot. The power of OSTSC will come out more on more training epochs.

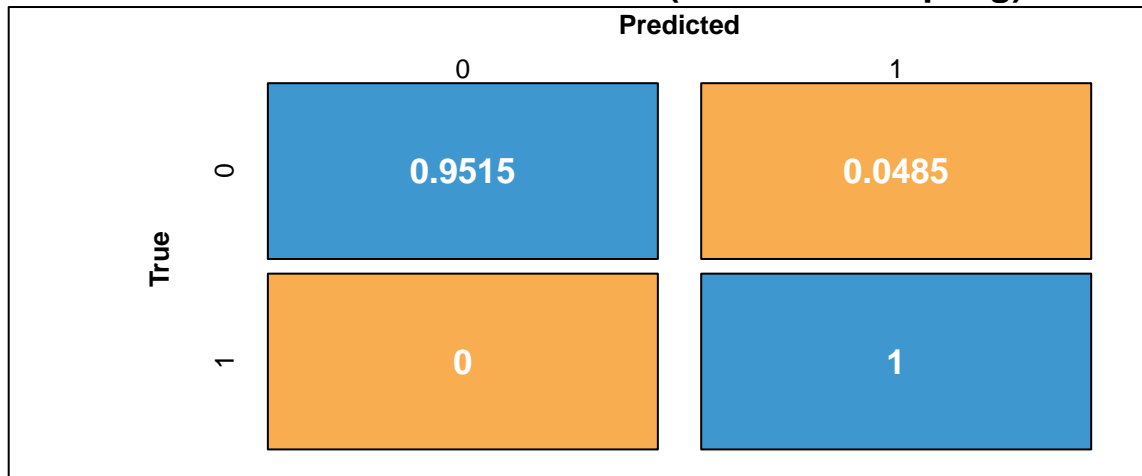
```
pred_label <- model %>% predict_classes(test_x)
pred_label_over <- model_over %>% predict_classes(test_x)
```

```
cm_before <- table(test_label, pred_label)
cm_after <- table(test_label, pred_label_over)
```

### Normalized Confusion Matrix (before oversampling)

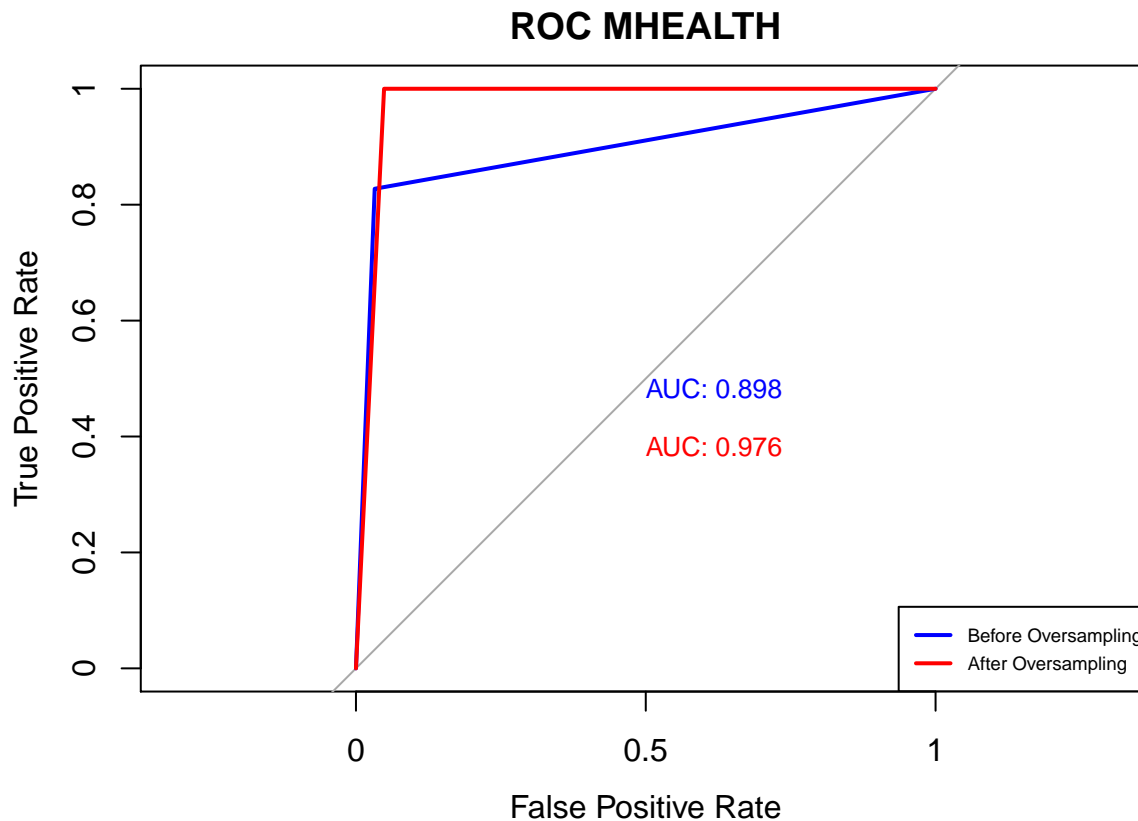


## Normalized Confusion Matrix (after oversampling)



The ROC plot shows the classification performances more intuitively.

```
library(pROC)
plot.roc(as.vector(test_label), pred_label, legacy.axes = TRUE, col = "blue",
         print.auc = TRUE, print.auc.cex= .8, xlab = 'False Positive Rate',
         ylab = 'True Positive Rate', main="ROC MHEALTH")
plot.roc(as.vector(test_label), pred_label_over, legacy.axes = TRUE, col = "red",
         print.auc = TRUE, print.auc.y = .4, print.auc.cex= .8, add = TRUE)
legend("bottomright", legend=c("Before Oversampling", "After Oversampling"),
      col=c("blue", "red"), lwd=2, cex= .6)
```



Let's see how the OSTSC performs on a high frequency trading dataset.

### The high frequency trading dataset

The feature is from instantaneous liquidity imbalance using the best bid to ask ratio, up-tick as class 1, down-tick as class -1, and normal status as class 0. The time series sequences length is set to 10. For example convenience, the data using here is random selected from a real and giant size high frequency trading dataset. While the whole observations are ordered in the time order, the dataset haven't split training and setting data. The users can split it by any ratio they like. Here we split it by half and half. The first half observations are training data, while the rest are testing.

```
data(HFT)

label <- HFT$y
sample <- HFT$x
train_label <- label[1:15000]
train_sample <- sample[1:15000, ]
test_label <- label[15001:30000]
test_sample <- sample[15001:30000, ]
```

The imbalance of the train dataset is shown below.

```
table(train_label)
```

```
## train_label
##      -1      0      1
##  297 14424   279
```

The OSTSC function deals with multi-class classification, so the oversampling could apply on one or two classes. If running on only one class, the class with least observations would be chosen. The oversampling is formed using one-vs-rest manner.

```
MyData <- OSTSC(train_sample, train_label)
over_sample <- MyData$sample
over_label <- MyData$label
```

The imbalance of the oversampled dataset is shown below.

```
table(over_label)
```

```
## over_label
##      -1      0      1
## 14703 14424 14721
```

As same as elder examples, we use the same Long short-term memory (LSTM) classifier.

1. To train the classifier on the original data before oversampling.

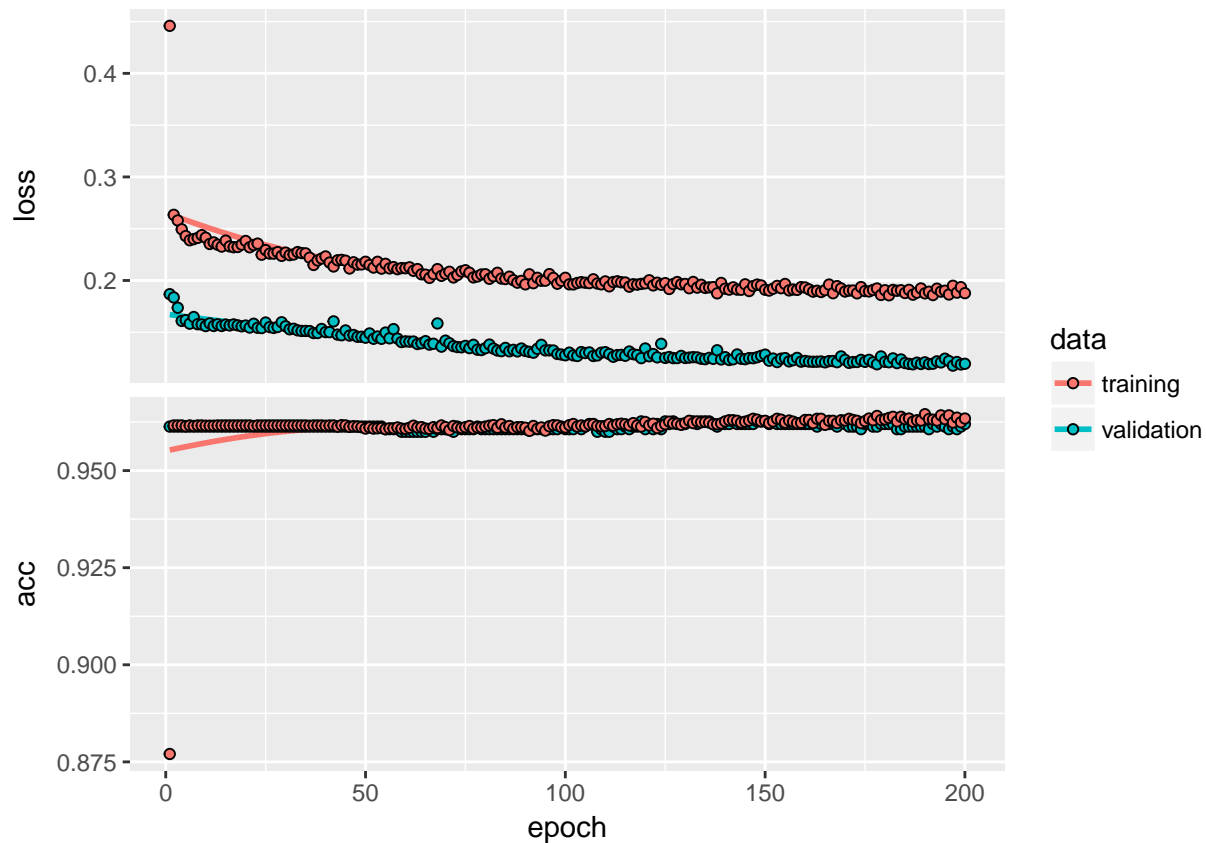
```
library(keras)
library(dummies)
train_y <- dummy(train_label)
test_y <- dummy(test_label)
train_x <- array(train_sample, dim = c(dim(train_sample),1))
test_x <- array(test_sample, dim = c(dim(test_sample),1))

model = keras_model_sequential()
model %>%
  layer_lstm(10, input_shape = c(dim(train_x)[2], dim(train_x)[3])) %>%
```

```

layer_dropout(rate = 0.2) %>%
layer_dense(dim(train_y)[2]) %>%
layer_dropout(rate = 0.2) %>%
layer_activation("softmax")
model %>% compile(
  loss = "categorical_crossentropy",
  optimizer = "adam",
  metrics = "accuracy"
)
lstm_before <- model %>% fit(
  x = train_x,
  y = train_y,
  validation_split = 0.1,
  epochs = 200
)
plot(lstm_before)

```



2. To train the classifier on the new data after oversampling.

```

over_y <- dummy(over_label)
over_x <- array(over_sample, dim = c(dim(over_sample),1))

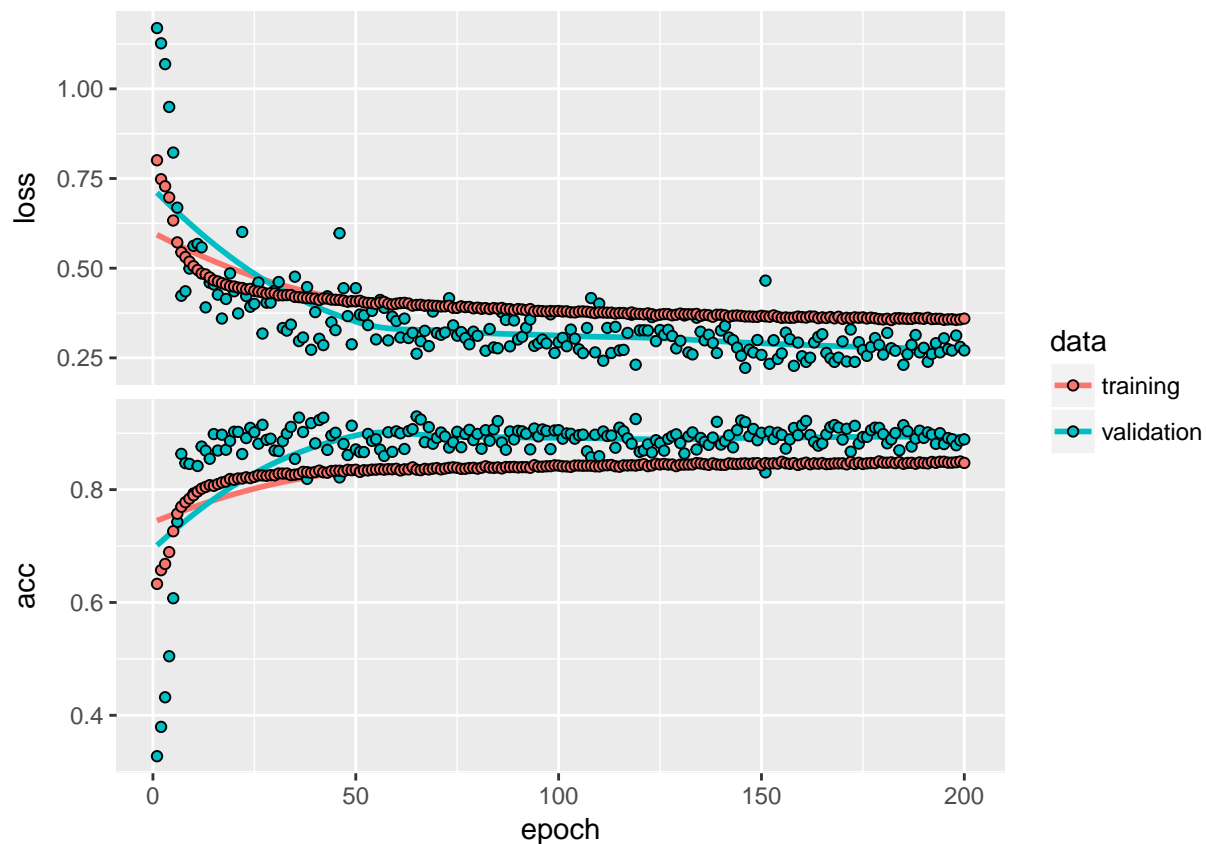
model_over = keras_model_sequential()
model_over %>%
  layer_lstm(10, input_shape = c(dim(over_x)[2], dim(over_x)[3])) %>%
  layer_dropout(rate = 0.2) %>%
  layer_dense(dim(over_y)[2]) %>%

```

```

layer_dropout(rate = 0.2) %>%
layer_activation("softmax")
model_over %>% compile(
  loss = "categorical_crossentropy",
  optimizer = "adam",
  metrics = "accuracy"
)
lstm_after <- model_over %>% fit(
  x = over_x,
  y = over_y,
  validation_split = 0.1,
  epochs = 200
)
plot(lstm_after)

```



3. To compare the confusion matrices and ROC plot. When the dataset size gets larger and the imbalance degree gets more severe, the OSTSC performs better than unoversampled data.

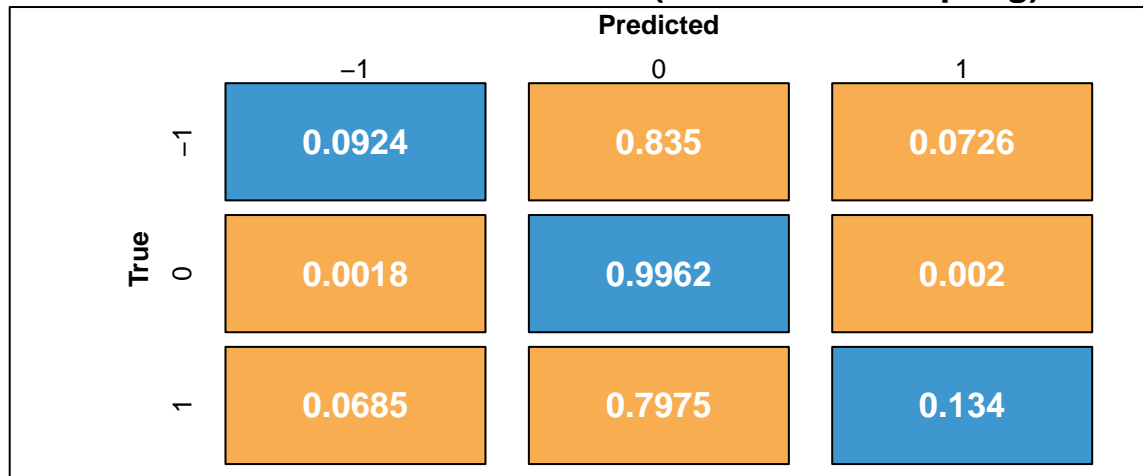
```

pred_label <- model %>% predict_classes(test_x)
pred_label_over <- model_over %>% predict_classes(test_x)

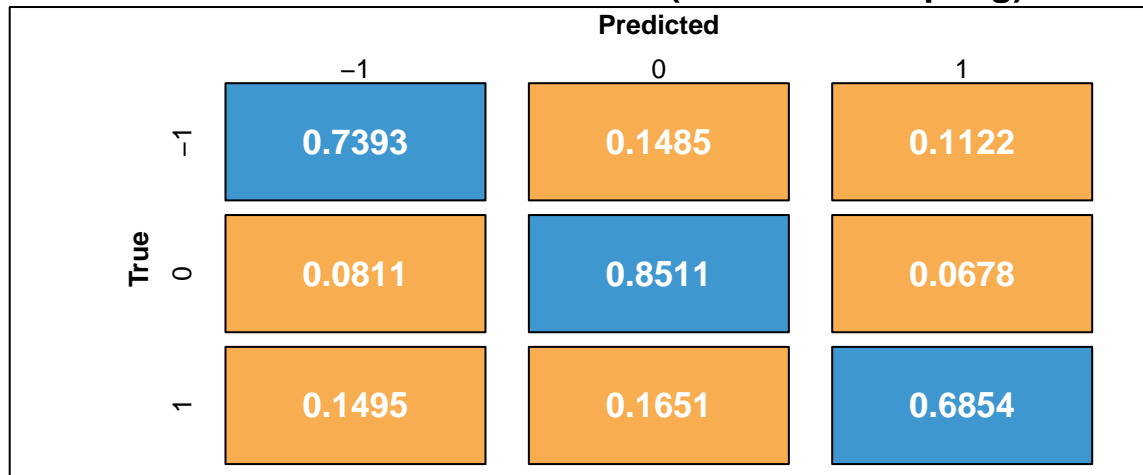
cm_before <- table(test_label, pred_label)
cm_after <- table(test_label, pred_label_over)

```

**Normalized Confusion Matrix (before oversampling)**

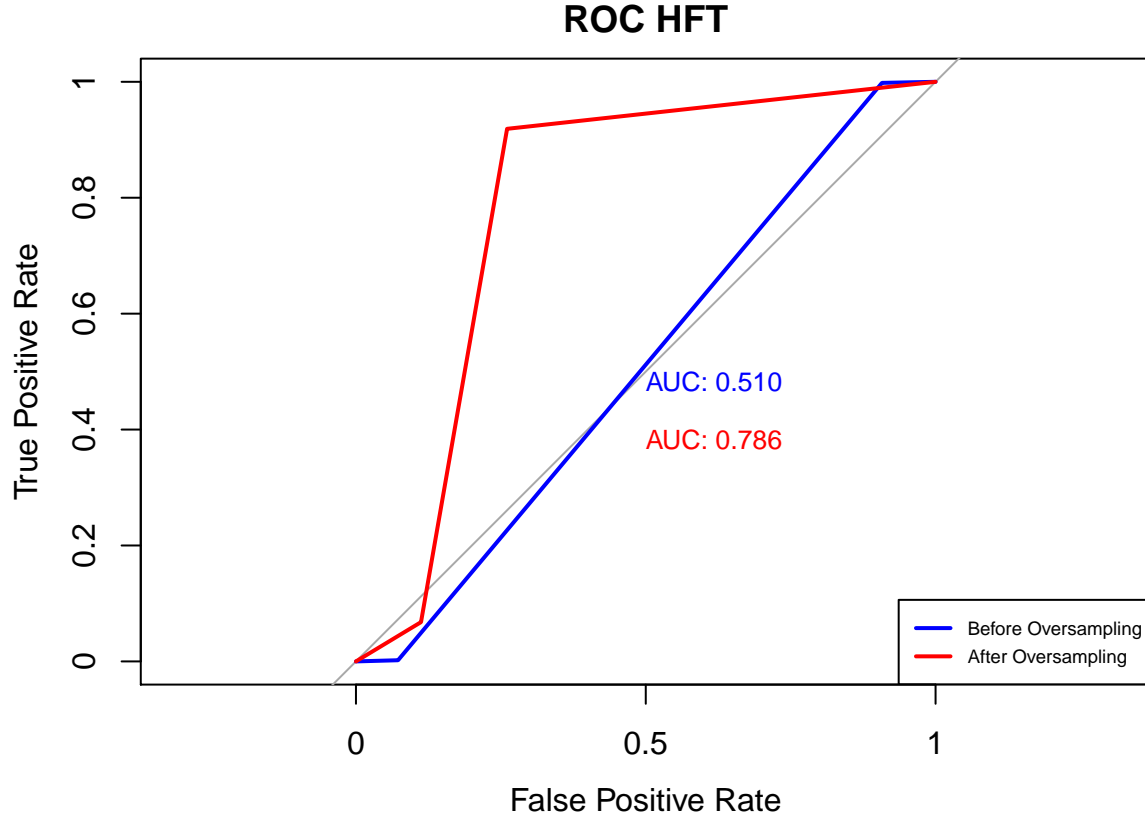


**Normalized Confusion Matrix (after oversampling)**



The ROC plot shows the classification performances more intuitively. Because the dataset has three classes, the AUC value calculates by average.

```
library(pROC)
plot.roc(test_label, pred_label, legacy.axes = TRUE, col = "blue", print.auc = TRUE,
         print.auc.cex = .8, xlab = 'False Positive Rate', ylab = 'True Positive Rate',
         main="ROC HFT")
plot.roc(test_label, pred_label_over, legacy.axes = TRUE, col = "red", print.auc = TRUE,
         print.auc.y = .4, print.auc.cex = .8, add = TRUE)
legend("bottomright", legend=c("Before Oversampling", "After Oversampling"),
      col=c("blue", "red"), lwd=2, cex = .6)
```



Above are three examples on three different datasets. OSTSC package could have a wide usage over multi-regions.

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