

DMLL Group 3 Lab 2 Report

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Summary of Discussion:-

There are totally 15 attributes in the dataset. The latitude and longitude attributes refer to the geographic location of the hotspots detected by the satellites. The brightness attribute is the pixel measurement of the temperature in Kelvin. Scan and Track attributes refers to the pixel measurement of the scanned area. acq_date refers to the date of acquisition of data while acq_time refers to the time spent during the acquisition of data. Satellite attribute refers to which satellite was used for acquiring the data while instrument refers to the instrument used by the satellites for measurement. Confidence refers to the quality of the hotspot in the specified region of interest. This parameter can be used to predict whether an hotspot is a fired area or not. This will be our target feature (Values greater than 60% or 70% ususally mean the hotspot is actually a firespot). Version attribute refers to the collection of source. bright_t31 is the pixel measurement of temperature in the 3-1 Channel. frp attribute depicts the pixel-integrated fire radiative power in MW (Mega Watts). Daynight attribute refers to when the instance were obtained, whether day or night. Finally the type attribute refers to the type of environment of the instance.

There were no missing values in the dataset previously. However in order to demonstrate the process of data cleaning, we have manually removed the 5 values pertaining to acq_time attribute .

The value_count() displays the number of values in each category of an attribute across the dataset. Here there are 28,203 values indicating that the respective measurements were taken during daytime while 7,808 values indicating that those measurements were taken during night time. The satelliete dataset has two categories indicating the model of satellite that was used for measurmenet. It is observed that the instrument attribute has only one category across the entire dataset, which clearly indicates that the attribute can dropped from the dataset when processing.

The histogram plots help us to summarize between discrete and continuous data that are measured on an interval scale. Through the plot we can identify that frp attribute has an outlier. Similarly it is also evident that the attributes version and type do not have any effect on the target feature.

While the acq_date is not a categorical data, we have to consider the activity of changing the data type.

The first plot does not help us in finding any particular pattern. The second plot is comparatively better in representing the density of areas where the measurement were taken. The third plot is more indicative as we can understand the different confidence levels of hotspot across the areas.

The most correlated attributes with the target attribute confidence are the brightness and the frp such that they have strong positive correlation. According to the definitions of these two attributes, it makes sense that the brightness, which is the temperature of hotspot region, and the frp, which is the radiative power of the hotspot, can affect the confidence of the hotspot more than the other features. The scan, track and acq_time attributes have negative correlation with the confidence attribute. This may be due to the reason that the more amount of time the satellite spends on a particular region of interest, the less likely it can be that that region has low confidence of hotspot.

Due to the upward trend, it can be concluded that the correlation is very strong. There are straight horizontal lines at around 100, 90, 85, 75 and even around 0. This needs to be considered in order to prevent data quirks.

We have represented the categorical values in numbers. Generally in ML, there may be a possibility that nearby values are more similar than distant values. However as far as this dataset is considered the categorical values have only binary classification

Since this dataset does not have null values, we are inserting null values to some records to demonstrate the Data Cleaning Process. The three different options of Dealing with Null Data were tried on the dataset:-

- (i) Removing the records related to null values
- (ii) Removing the entire attribute related to the null values
- (iii) Filling the mean values of the attribute to the null values

Of these three options, we have decided to use the third option as it will help us in avoiding the elimination of the records in the dataset.

Normalisation or Standardisation need to be done on the dataset in order to scale the values. For eg, brightness attribute has a min and max values of 300.000000 and 504.4 while frp attribute has a min and max values of 0 and 3679.5. To avoid the numerical values from having such different scales, we perform normalisation or standardisation. In order to best eliminate outliers in the data set, we are going to use the standardised dataset for further processing.