

The Art of Sport Activity Classification

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The relevance of the study

- **The daily usage** of activity trackers, sport watches, and other devices to record daily and sport activities **has increased tremendously** in past ten years
- The main reasons are the **development of battery technology** and **small size hardware** with a **low energy consumption** such as LED displays
- Human activity recognition has become a common function and **is enabled by several device manufacturers**



Current level and methods of problem solving

- Human Activity Recognition (HAR) is well studied area in recent years, achieving average accuracies of **92 %** (*Demrozi et al., 2020*).
- Traditional HAR studies are conducted using inertial sensor data (*basically, a set of 3-dimensional (x,y,z) accelerometer sensors*)
- Amount of activity types varies from 5 to 20, containing *sitting down, standing up, laying down*, etc., among most common sports.
- Classification tasks have been conducted using wide variety of CML and Neural Network models

Study objectives

- Alternative ways to classify sport activities might be reasonable, for example, all the devices ***do not have inertial sensors***, or such a ***data is not available*** for external analysis of third parties.
- The purpose of the study is to solve **false human sport activity labeling problem when inertial sensor data is not available**.

Materials and methods

- Two type of datasets from a single athlete
 - **Training history dataset** for S-CML with extracted features (21)
 - 3-dimensional pure **time series signal dataset** for TSC
 - Original dataset has **297 activities** in **5 diverging sport categories**
 - Basically, the very same data in two different structure
 - Classes/categories are {**biking, running, walking, skiing, roller-skiing**}
- Adopted classifiers
 - **9** Standard CML classifiers from *Scikit-learn* (sklearn)
 - **11** Time Series Classifiers from *Sktime API*
- Evaluation metrics
 - Accuracy (Mean), Model training time
 - Precision, Recall, F1-score
 - ROC-AUC, Stability (accuracy variance)



S-CML Dataset Features



Garmin FR-920XT and
HRM-Run sensor

3D-Inertial sensor
GPS sensor
Barometer sensor
HR sensor
Other

Chart: Jarno Matarmaa

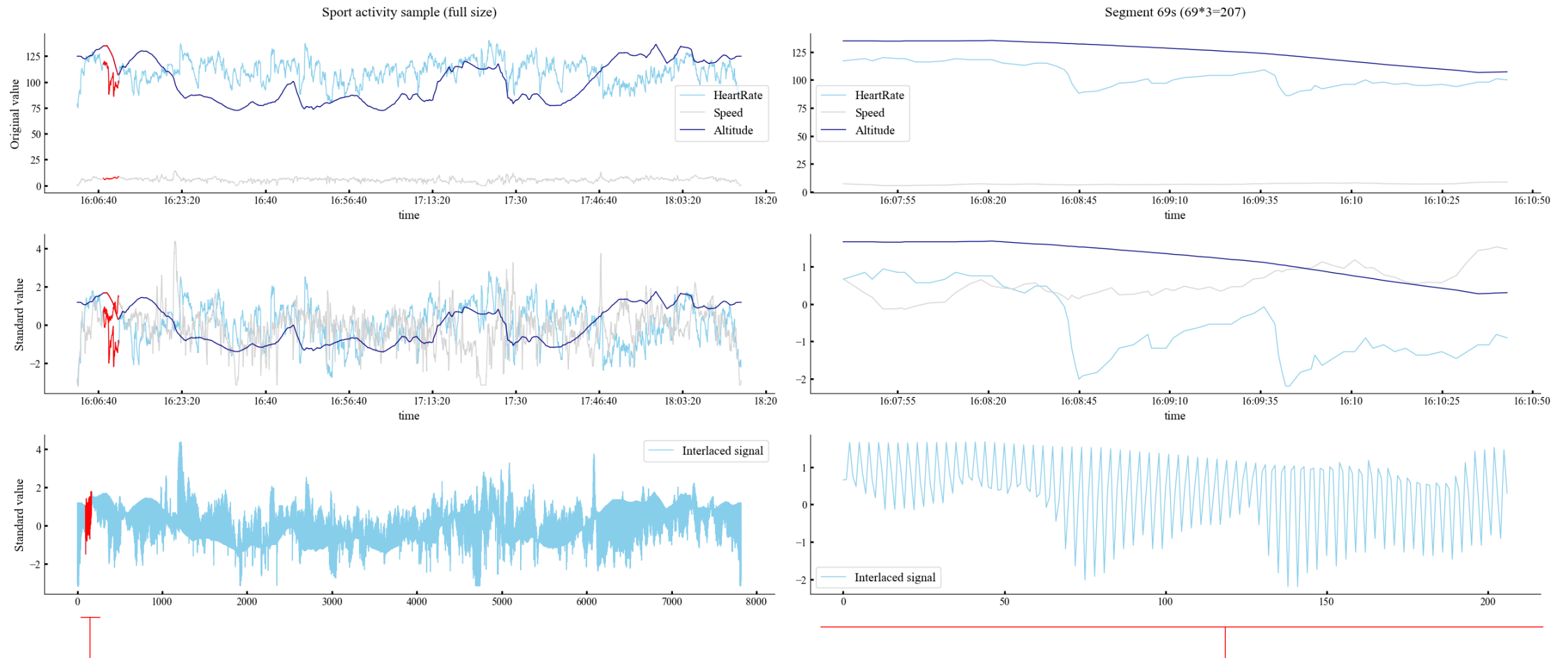
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Avg Stride Length	
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Distance	Time dependent
Number of Laps	
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Best Pace	
Moving Time	
Min Elevation	
Max Elevation	
Total Ascent	
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Avg HR	
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Aerobic TE	
Time	
Elapsed Time	
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HAR Features

SAC Expansion

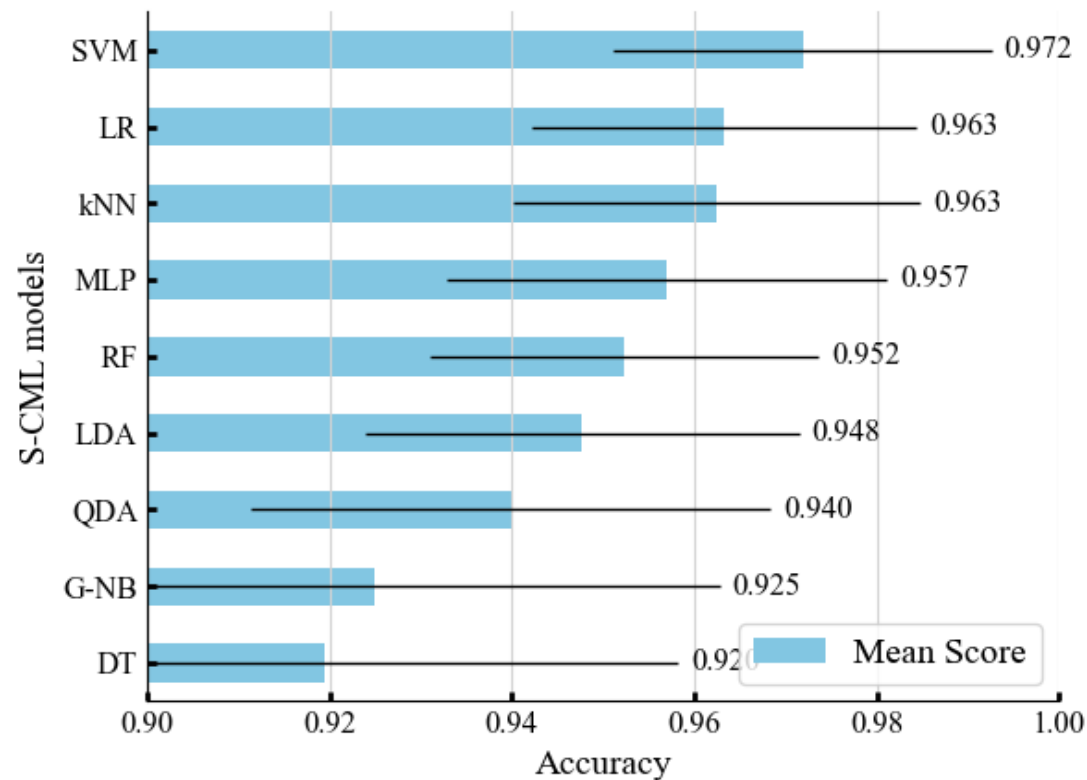
21 features

Interlacing method of multivariate signals (TSC)

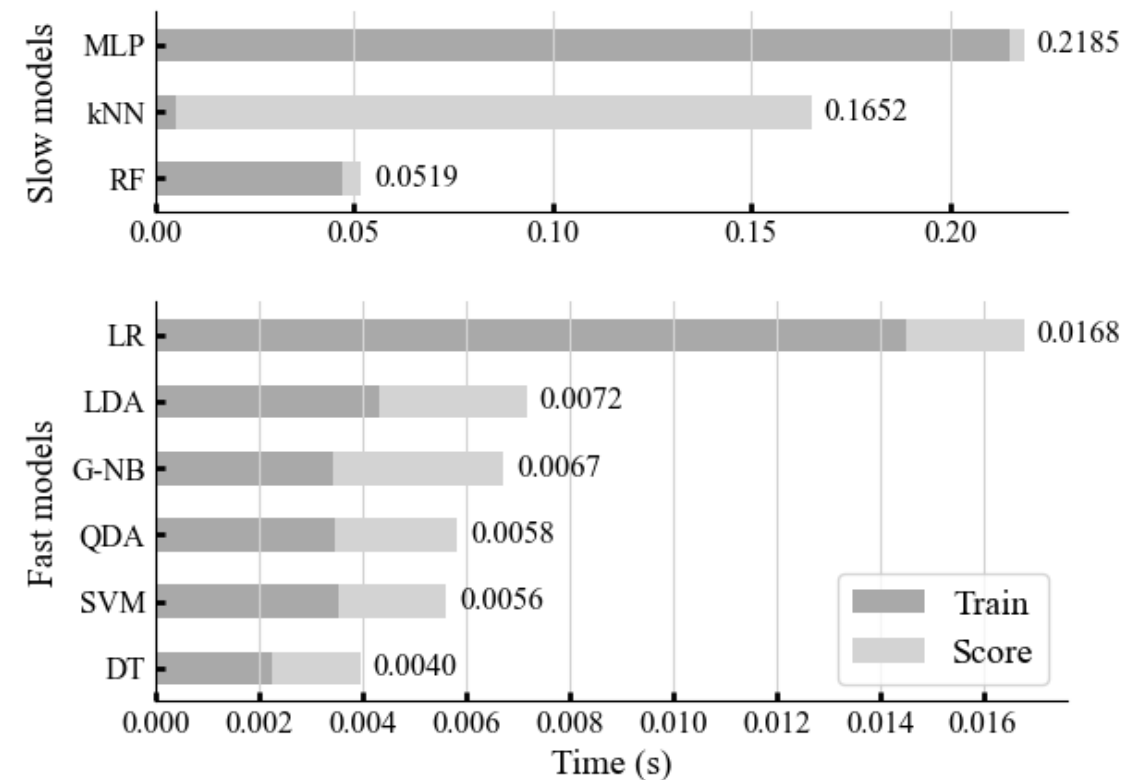


Results: S-CML

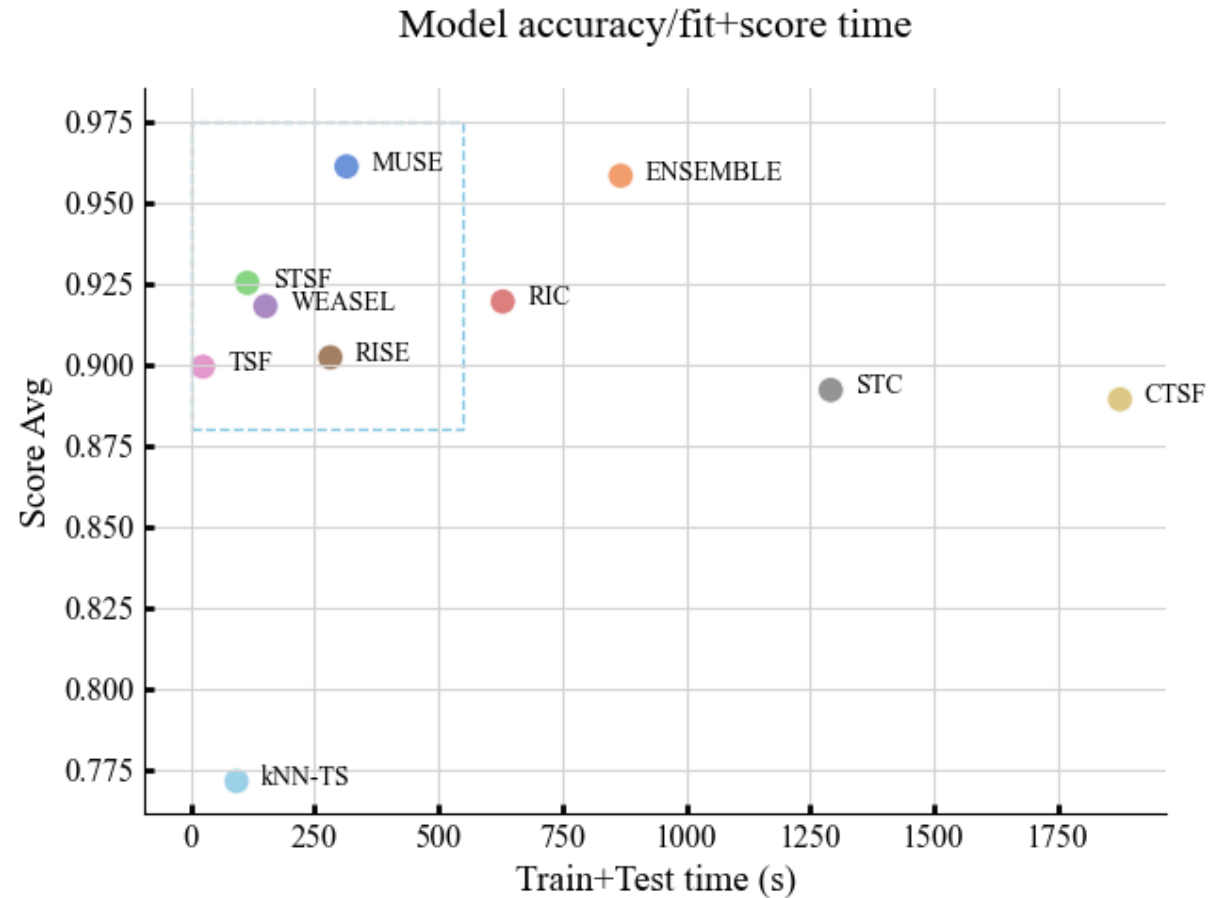
Mean accuracies (20 iters) in Standard data



Mean execution times (20 iters) in Standard data



Results: TSC

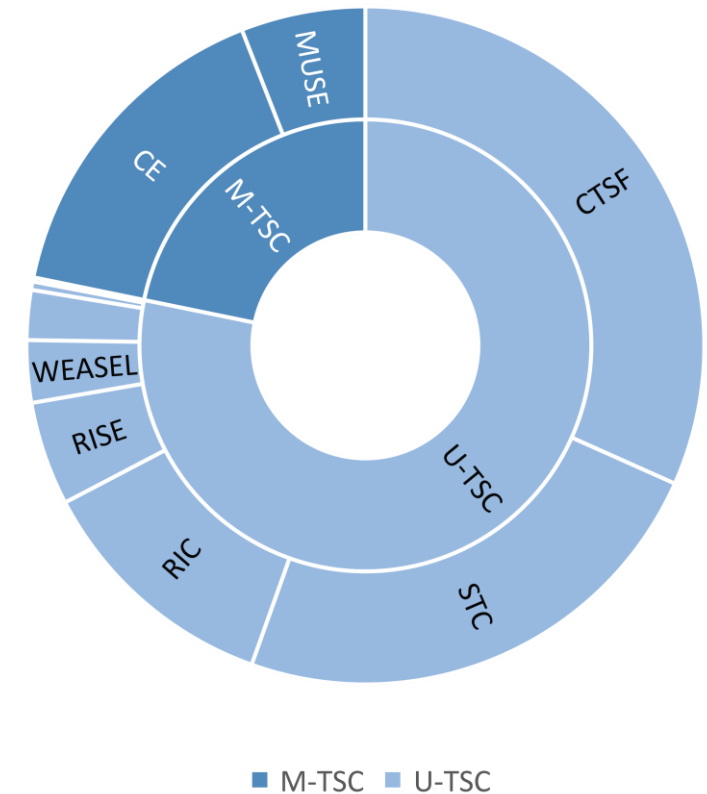


Performance map Accuracy-Time

Results: Compilation table

Classifier	Type	ROC-AUC	Best Score	Score Variance	Mean Score	RTC [0,10]
MUSE	M-TSC	0.994	0.966	0.004	0.961	3
ENSEMBLE	M-TSC	0.995	0.961	0.002	0.958	8
STSF	U-TSC	0.990	0.931	0.004	0.925	1
RIC	U-TSC	0.985	0.927	0.006	0.920	6
WEASEL	U-TSC	0.981	0.918	0.000	0.918	1
GB	S-CML	-	0.918	0.004	0.918	0
MLP	NN	-	0.918	0.000	0.912	0
RISE	U-TSC	0.980	0.905	0.002	0.902	2
RF	S-CML	0.980	0.905	0.004	0.902	0
TSF	U-TSC	0.979	0.901	0.002	0.899	0.2
STC	U-TSC	0.973	0.897	0.004	0.892	10<
CTSF	U-TSC	0.978	0.892	0.002	0.889	10<
SVM	S-CML	-	0.884	0.000	0.884	0
DT	S-CML	0.898	0.875	0.013	0.871	0
LR	S-CML	-	0.853	0.000	0.853	0
kNN	S-CML	-	0.849	0.000	0.849	0
LDA	S-CML	-	0.789	0.000	0.789	0
G-NB	S-CML	-	0.784	0.000	0.784	0
kNN-TS	U-TCS	0.829	0.772	0.000	0.772	<1
QDA	S-CML	-	0.573	0.000	0.573	0

Relative Time Complexity (RTC)



Conclusions

- Three diverging methods (S-CML, U-TSC, and M-TSC) were proposed and investigated to conduct a **retrospective personalized supervised sport activity classification** of a single person
- A total of **twenty different machine learning models** from *sklearn* and *sktime* were adopted, which makes the study quite extent application of CML models into a specific type of sport data.
- The observed results are mainly good (up to 96,6%), and even better than the average results (92%) in recent HAR studies (Demrozi et al., 2020)
- The selection of the classification method for sport activities depends on the available data, and therefore one model cannot be preferred over others in all the cases

Conclusions

- **MUSE** (96,6%) can be gently proposed **as the best choice** for sport activity classification when using **multivariate time series data**
- However, in certain circumstances, for example **TSF** as a **fast model** could be more preferable than **MUSE**, and then solving this problem in **interlaced univariate data** can take place
- **S-CML** as a very fast and effective method with low computation requirement could be suggested **always when the appropriate dataset is available**, but it might be prone to interpersonal differences, and therefore results not generalizable

Discussion...

Right Questions

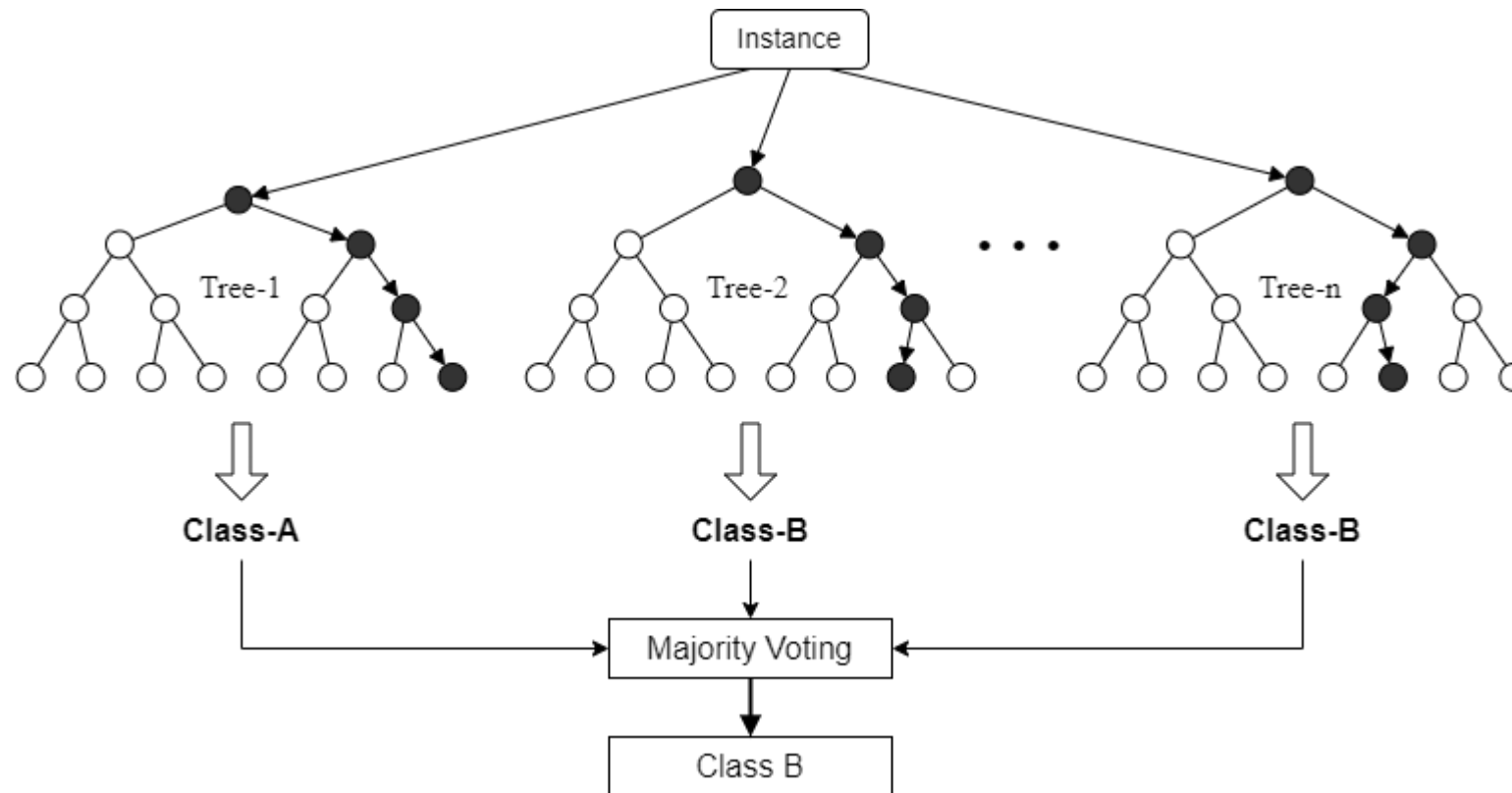
1. What's the significance of constructing **interlaced signals** instead of using simple **column concatenation** method?
2. In which cases pure **time series signals** could be especially useful compared to **extracted features**?
3. Why we should classify sports from **heart rate, speed, and altitude** features instead of using **inertial sensor data** which have produced a great results in previous studies?
4. Are the results **generalizable** and can we expect the **same accuracy level** among athletes with different physical and personal characteristics such as **gender, age, weight, length**, etc.?
5. Why we should have a specialized classification method for outdoor sports?
6. Why we should classify sports at all?
7. What makes it preferable to conduct a personalized sport classification?

Appendices

Why personalized SAC with a dataset recorder in uncontrolled non-laboratory environment

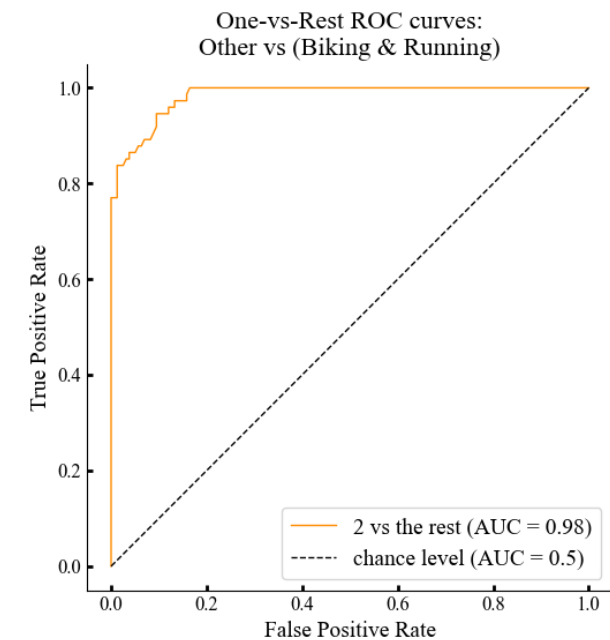
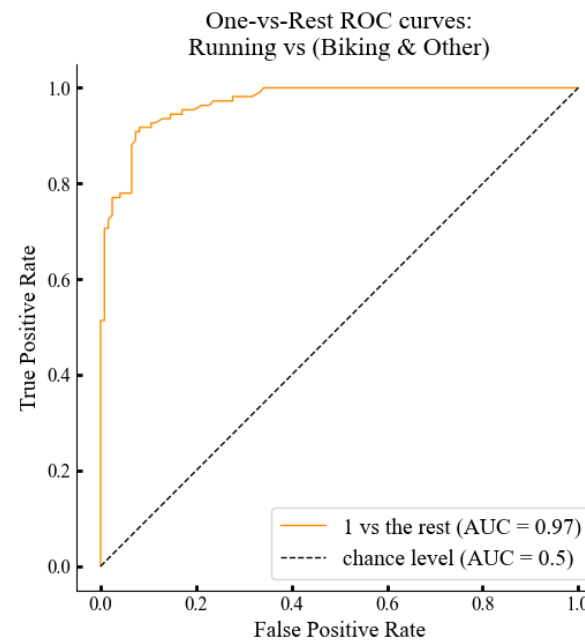
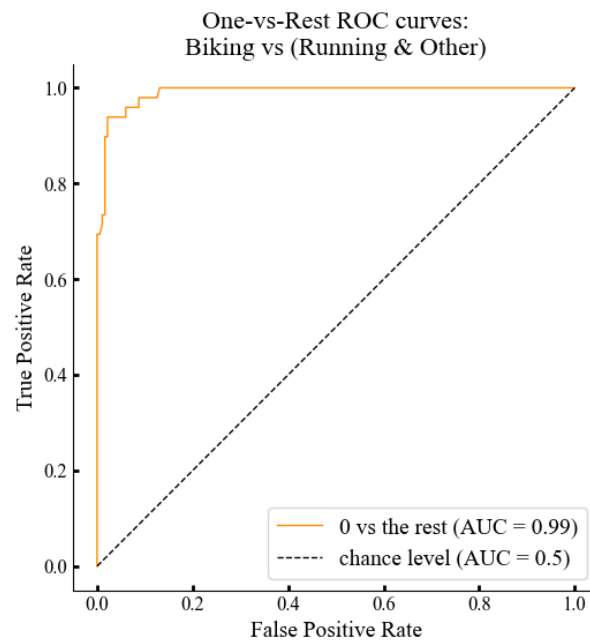
- Foerster et al. (1999) demonstrated accuracy drop for ambulation activities from 95.6% of a controlled data collection experiment to 66% of uncontrolled non-laboratory natural environment.
- Berchtold et al. (2010) identified an open debate on the design of any activity recognition model. Since according to some authors, people perform activities in a different manner as they differ on age, gender, weight, and so on, a specific recognition model should be built for each individual.

TSC – Random Forest

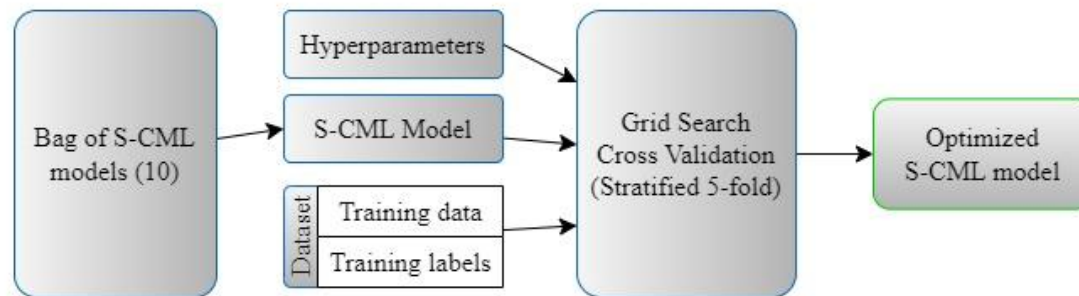


TSC – Classification quality metric ROC-AUC

Time Series Forest (TSF) ROC_AUC curves



S-CML Pipeline



Step 1: Hyperparameter optimization

Step 2: Model selection

