

Artificial Intelligence

Machine learning

Performance metrics



Classification problems performance metrics

Confusion matrix

- A confusion matrix is a tool used to evaluate the performance of a model and is visually represented as a table
- It displays the number of:
 - **True positives**: number of times the model correctly predicts the positive class
 - **True negatives**: number of times the model correctly predicts the negative class
 - **False positives**: number of times the model incorrectly predicts the positive class
 - **False negatives**: number of times the model incorrectly predicts the negative class

Confusion matrix

		Predicted values	
		Positive (1)	Negative (0)
Actual values	Positive (1)	TP	FN
	Negative (0)	FP	TN

TP – True positives

TN – True negatives

FP – False positives

FN – False negatives

Accuracy

- **Accuracy** - fraction of correctly classified samples:

$$Acc = \frac{TP + TN}{TP + TN + FP + FN}$$

- Alternative view:

$$Acc = \frac{\text{Number of correctly classified samples}}{\text{Total number of samples}}$$

- It should be used for balanced datasets only

Precision

- **Precision** - proportion of positive class predictions that actually belong to that class

$$P = \frac{TP}{TP + FP}$$

- Alternative view:

$$P = \frac{\text{Number of times the model correctly classifies a sample as positive}}{\text{Number of samples the model classifies as positive}}$$

Recall

- **Recall** - proportion of positive predictions for a given class out of all actual instances of that class:

$$R = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

- Alternative view:

$$R = \frac{\text{Number of times the model correctly classifies a sample as positive}}{\text{Number of actual positive samples}}$$

- It is also known as **sensitivity** or **true positive rate** (TPR)

Specificity

- **Specificity** - proportion of correct negative predictions out of actual non-instances of a given class:

$$S = \frac{TN}{TN + FP}$$

- Alternative view:

$$S = \frac{\text{Number of times the model correctly classifies a sample as negative}}{\text{Number of actual negative samples}}$$

- It is also known as **true negative rate** (TNR)

F1 score

- **F1 score** - harmonic mean of precision and recall; it combines precision and recall to represent a model's total class-wise accuracy:

$$F1\ score = \frac{2 * Precision * Recall}{Precision + Recall}$$

- It is also known as **F-measure** or **F-score**

F1 score

- Precision and recall can share an inverse relationship at times
- That is, as a model increases recall by returning more actual class samples (i.e. true positives), the model will inevitably misclassify non-samples (i.e. false positives) as well, thereby decreasing precision
- The F1 score attempts to combine precision and recall to resolve this tradeoff

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