Data Glacier Week 4: Deployment on Flask

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1. Introduction

The project uses Random Forest to classify the Iris species based on the users' input values.

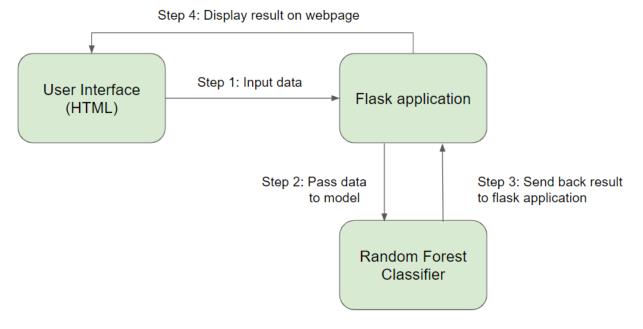


Figure 1: Application Workflow

The user interface allows users to input the Iris information. The input values are then passed to the Random Forest model. The result generated by the classifier is then sent back to the flask application to be displayed on the webpage.

2. Data Information

The dataset is downloaded from <u>Kaggle</u>. The dataset consists of 150 rows with 6 columns, recording the information about Iris. The table below shows the attribute information of the dataset.

Attributes	Descriptions	
Id	Input ID of the data.	
SepalLengthCm	Sepal length of the plant recorded in "cm".	

SepalWidthCm	Sepal width of the plant recorded in "cm".	
PetalLengthCm	Petal length of the plant recorded in "cm".	
PetalWidthCm	Petal width of the plant recorded in "cm".	
Species	Species of the plant.	

Table 2: Attribute Information

3. Machine Learning Model

3.1. Import libraries and dataset

Figure 3: Import Libraries

3.2. Data Preprocessing

Dataset is split into 80% training data and 20% testing data.

Figure 4, 5, 6: Data Preprocessing

3.3. Build Model

Check NA column
df.isna().sum()



Figure 7: Build Model

3.4. Save Model

A "model.pkl" file is generated using pickle.

Figure 8: Save Model

4. Model Deployment on Flask

The file directory of the project is shown below. The **templates** folder contains the webpage interface which all

```
templates/
index.html
app.py
Iris.csv
model.ipynb
model.pkl
```

Table 9: File Directory

4.1. app.py

The **app.py** contains the main code to be executed by the Python interpreter to run the Flask web application.

```
import numpy as np
import pickle
from flask import Flask, request, render_template
app = Flask(__name__)
# Load pickle model
model = pickle.load(open("model.pkl", "rb"))
@app.route("/")
def home():
 return render_template("index.html")
@app.route("/predict", methods = ["POST"])
def predict():
  float_features = [float(x) for x in request.form.values()]
  features = [np.array(float_features)]
  prediction = model.predict(features)
  return render_template("index.html", prediction_text = "The flower species is {}".format(prediction))
if name == "_main_":
  app.run(port = 5000, debug = True)
```

Figure 10: app.py

- A Flask application with argument **__name**__ is initialised.
- The Random Forest model is loaded by opening the **model.pkl** with read binary file access (**rb**).
- The route decorator (@app.route("/")) is used to specify the URL that should trigger the execution of the home function.

- The **home()** function is to reder the **index.html** file located in the **templates** folder.
- The **predict()** function send the form data using **POST** method. The data is then converted to a list of float numbers and is then used for the model prediction. Finally, the prediction result is rendered on the **index.html**.
- The **run** function is executed if the script is directly executed by the Python interpreter(**__main__**) to debug and run the Flask application on the sever with port 5000.

4.2. templates/index.html

Figure 11: templates/index.html

The users are required to input all information about the flower in order to predict the species of the flower by clicking the "Predict" button.

4.3. Flask Overview

```
PS C:\Users\WT\OneDrive\Desktop\GitHub\12-weeks-data-science\Week4> python app.py

* Serving Flask app 'app' (lazy loading)

* Environment: production

WARNING: This is a development server. Do not use it in a production deployment.

Use a production WSGI server instead.

* Debug mode: on

* Running on http://127.0.0.1:5000 (Press CTRL+C to quit)

* Restarting with stat

* Debugger is active!

* Debugger PIN: 307-633-402

127.0.0.1 - - [12/Aug/2022 17:46:40] "GET / HTTP/1.1" 200 -

127.0.0.1 - - [12/Aug/2022 17:46:46] "GET /predict HTTP/1.1" 405 -

Figure 12: Running Flask application

Flower Class Prediction
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Sepal_Length	*	Sepal_Width	Petal_Length	Petal_Width	Predict

Figure 13: User Interface

Flower Class Prediction

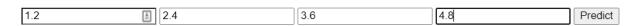


Figure 14: Input Value by User

Flower Class Prediction

Sepal_Length	■ Sepal_Width	Petal_Length	Petal_Width	Predict

The flower species is ['Iris-virginica']

Figure 15: Prediction