# Exp06\_notebook\_2102633\_digits-recognizer-simple-xgb-classifier

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[1]: import numpy as np # linear algebra
     import pandas as pd # data processing, CSV file I/O (e.g. pd.read_csv)
     import seaborn as sns
     import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
     from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score
     from xgboost import XGBClassifier
     from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
     from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder
     import os
     for dirname, _, filenames in os.walk('/kaggle/input'):
         for filename in filenames:
             print(os.path.join(dirname, filename))
    /kaggle/input/digit-recognizer/sample_submission.csv
    /kaggle/input/digit-recognizer/train.csv
    /kaggle/input/digit-recognizer/test.csv
[2]: df_train = pd.read_csv("/kaggle/input/digit-recognizer/train.csv")
     df_test = pd.read_csv("/kaggle/input/digit-recognizer/test.csv")
[3]: df_train
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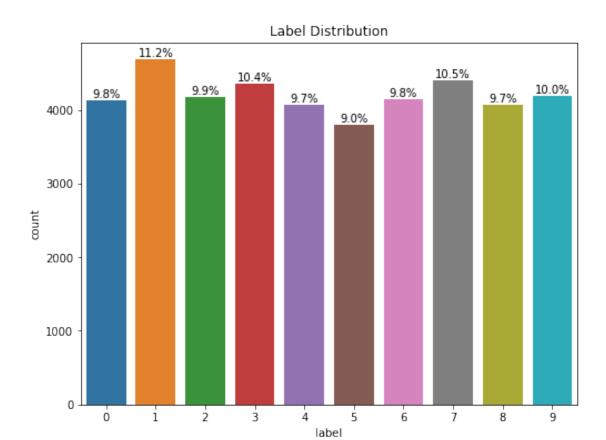
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[4]: df_train.label.unique()
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[4]: array([1, 0, 4, 7, 3, 5, 8, 9, 2, 6])
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# 1 Explanatory Data Analysis

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[5]: plt.figure(figsize=(8,6))
    ax = sns.countplot(x='label',data=df_train)

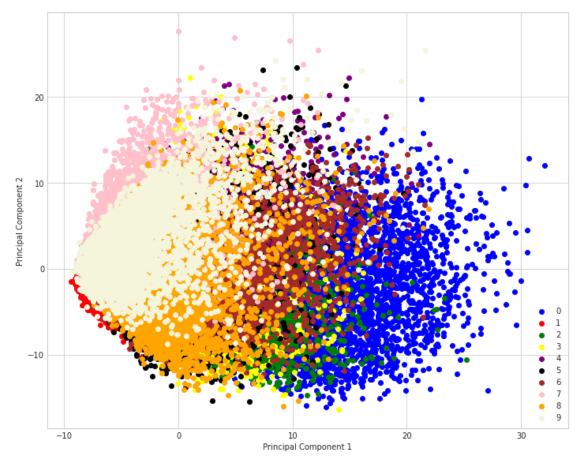
plt.title("Label Distribution")
    total= len(df_train.label)
    for p in ax.patches:
        percentage = f'{100 * p.get_height() / total:.1f}%\n'
        x = p.get_x() + p.get_width() / 2
        y = p.get_height()
        ax.annotate(percentage, (x, y), ha='center', va='center')
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[7]: df_train.sum(axis=1)
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     Length: 42000, dtype: int64
[8]: df_train.shape
[8]: (42000, 785)
[9]: pixels = df_train.columns.tolist()[1:]
     df_train["sum"] = df_train[pixels].sum(axis=1)
     df_test["sum"] = df_test[pixels].sum(axis=1)
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[10]: df_train.groupby(['label'])['sum'].mean()
[10]: label
      0
           34632.407551
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           15188.466268
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           29871.099354
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           28320.188003
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          25835.920422
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          27734.917331
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          30184.148413
           24553.750000
      Name: sum, dtype: float64
[11]: # separate target values from df_train
      targets = df_train.label
      features = df_train.drop("label",axis=1)
[12]: from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
      scaler = StandardScaler()
      features[:] = scaler.fit_transform(features)
      df_test[:] = scaler.transform(df_test)
[13]: del df train
[14]: from sklearn.decomposition import PCA as sklearnPCA
      sklearn_pca = sklearnPCA(n_components=2)
      Y_sklearn = sklearn_pca.fit_transform(features)
[15]: Y_sklearn
[15]: array([[-5.27218318, -5.22774493],
             [19.38080907, 6.06213098],
             [-7.83436529, -1.70777172],
             [0.60965064, 7.06767455],
             [ 2.25996494, -4.33643289],
             [-4.89810691, 1.55410746]])
[16]: #referred to https://sebastianraschka.com/Articles/2015 pca in 3 steps.html and
       → https://www.kaggle.com/arthurtok/
       \hookrightarrow interactive-intro-to-dimensionality-reduction
      with plt.style.context('seaborn-whitegrid'):
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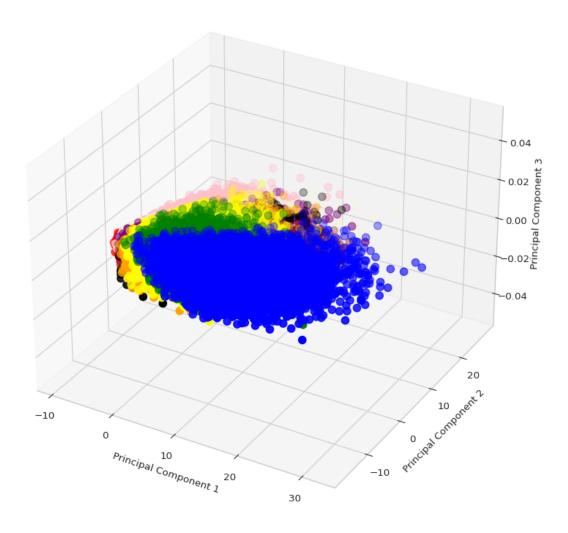


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[17]: features.index
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[17]: RangeIndex(start=0, stop=42000, step=1)

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[18]: sklearn_pca_3 = sklearnPCA(n_components=3)
      Y_sklearn_3 = sklearn_pca_3.fit_transform(features)
      Y_sklearn_3_test = sklearn_pca_3.transform(df_test)
[19]: # Store results of PCA in a data frame
      result=pd.DataFrame(Y_sklearn_3, columns=['PCA%i' % i for i in range(3)],__
       →index=features.index)
[20]: result
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[21]: my dpi=96
      plt.figure(figsize=(480/my_dpi, 480/my_dpi), dpi=my_dpi)
      with plt.style.context('seaborn-whitegrid'):
         my_dpi=96
         fig = plt.figure(figsize=(10, 10), dpi=my_dpi)
         ax = fig.add_subplot(111,projection ='3d')
         for lab, col in zip((0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9),
       →('blue','red','green','yellow','purple','black','brown','pink','orange','beige|)):
             plt.scatter(Y_sklearn[targets==lab, 0],
                          Y_sklearn[targets==lab, 1],
                          label=lab,
                          c=col,s=60)
         ax.set_xlabel('Principal Component 1')
         ax.set_ylabel('Principal Component 2')
         ax.set_zlabel('Principal Component 3')
         ax.set title("PCA on the Handwriting Data")
         plt.show()
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### PCA on the Handwriting Data



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[22]: encoder = LabelEncoder()
  targets[:] = encoder.fit_transform(targets[:])
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[23]: X\_train, X\_val, y\_train, y\_val = train\_test\_split(result, targets, random\_state=1)

# 2 Making a Model and Predictions

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[24]: # 3 Principal Components
model = XGBClassifier(max_depth=5, objective='multi:softprob',

on_estimators=1000,
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/opt/conda/lib/python3.7/site-packages/xgboost/sklearn.py:1224: UserWarning: The use of label encoder in XGBClassifier is deprecated and will be removed in a future release. To remove this warning, do the following: 1) Pass option use\_label\_encoder=False when constructing XGBClassifier object; and 2) Encode your labels (y) as integers starting with 0, i.e. 0, 1, 2, ..., [num\_class - 1]. warnings.warn(label\_encoder\_deprecation\_msg, UserWarning)

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     Accuracy: , 0.559
[25]: |X_train,X_val, y_train,y_val = train_test_split(features,targets,random_state=1)
[26]: model = XGBClassifier(max_depth=5, objective='multi:softprob', __
       \rightarrown_estimators=1000,
                               num classes=10)
      history = model.fit(X_train, y_train,eval_set_
       ←=[(X_train,y_train),(X_val,y_val)],early_stopping_rounds =5)
      acc = accuracy score(y val, model.predict(X val))
      print(f"Accuracy: , {round(acc,3)}")
     [11:37:52] WARNING: ../src/learner.cc:576:
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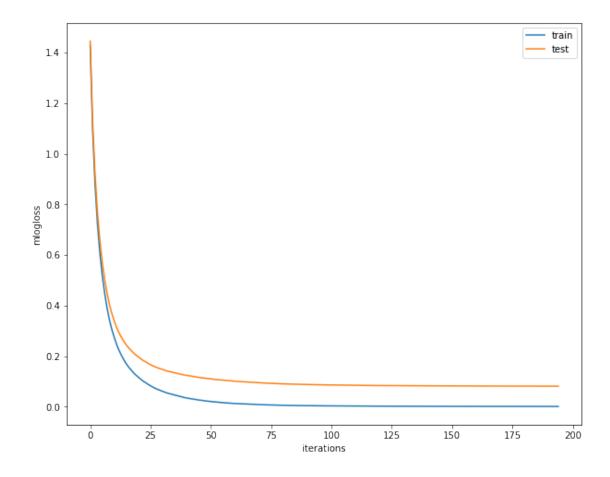
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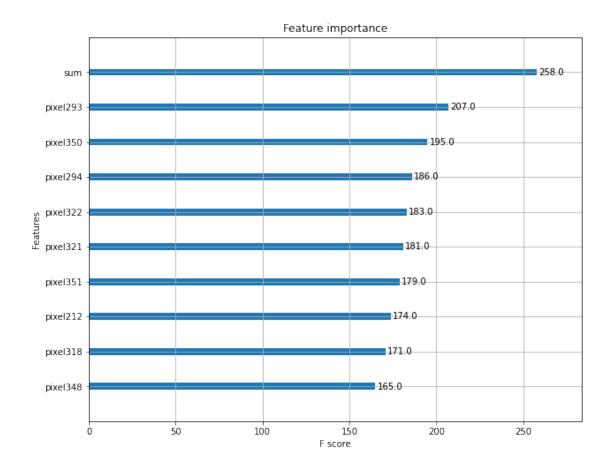
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[27]: results = model.evals_result()
[28]: from matplotlib import pyplot
      # plot learning curves
      plt.figure(figsize=(10, 8))
      pyplot.plot(results['validation_0']['mlogloss'], label='train')
      pyplot.plot(results['validation_1']['mlogloss'], label='test')
      # show the legend
      pyplot.legend()
      plt.xlabel('iterations')
      plt.ylabel('mlogloss')
      # show the plot
      pyplot.show()
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[29]: from xgboost import plot_importance
ax = plot_importance(model,max_num_features=10)
fig = ax.figure
fig.set_size_inches(10,8)
plt.show()
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[30]: predictions = model.predict(df_test)

[31]: output = pd.read_csv("../input/digit-recognizer/sample_submission.csv")
    output['Label'] = predictions
    output.to_csv('submission.csv',index=False)
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##After Learning the above Notebook one has to take print of it and answer following questions in writing and collectively complete write up.

#Q.1 What is Decision Tree Algorithm ? Which type of ML we can solve using Decision Tree? #ANSWER:

Decision Tree is a Supervised learning technique that can be used for both classification and Regression problems, but mostly it is preferred for solving Classification problems. It is a tree-structured classifier, where internal nodes represent the features of a dataset, branches represent the decision rules and each leaf node represents the outcome. In a Decision tree, there are two nodes, which are the Decision Node and Leaf Node. Decision nodes are used to make any decision and have multiple branches, whereas Leaf nodes are the output of those decisions and do not contain any further branches. The decisions or the test are performed on the basis of features of the given dataset. It is a graphical representation for getting all the possible solutions to a problem/decision based on

given conditions. It is called a decision tree because, similar to a tree, it starts with the root node, which expands on further branches and constructs a tree-like structure.

Decision trees are a popular supervised learning method that like many other learning methods we've seen, can be used for both regression and classification. Decision trees in machine learning (ML) are used to structure algorithms. A decision tree algorithm helps split dataset features with a cost function. Through a process called pruning, the trees are grown before being optimized to remove branches that use irrelevant features.

#Q.2 What do you mean by ensemble learning? Does XGBoost support ensemble learning? #ANSWER:

Ensemble learning is a general meta approach to machine learning that seeks better predictive performance by combining the predictions from multiple models. Ensemble learning is the process by which multiple models, such as classifiers or experts, are strategically generated and combined to solve a particular computational intelligence problem. Ensemble learning is primarily used to improve the (classification, prediction, function approximation, etc. There are two main reasons to use an ensemble over a single model, and they are related; they are: Performance: An ensemble can make better predictions and achieve better performance than any single contributing model. Robustness: An ensemble reduces the spread or dispersion of the predictions and model performance.

XGBoost, that is, Extreme Gradient Boosting, is a very popular machine learning ensemble technique that has helped data scientists across the globe to achieve great results with phenomenal accuracy. XGBoost is built on the principles of ensemble modeling and is an improved version of the Gradient Boosted Machine algorithm. In general, the XgBoost algorithm creates multiple classifiers that are weak learners, which means a model that gives a bit better accuracy than just a random guess. The learner in the ensemble model can be a linear or tree model that is built iteratively with random sampling along with an added weight from the learnings of the previously built model. At each step, a tree is built and the cases where the tree has failed to classify an outcome correctly is assigned a corresponding weight. The next iteration of model building learns from the mistakes of the previous model. Gradient boosting refers to a class of ensemble machine learning algorithms that can be used for classification or regression predictive modeling problems.

Ensembles are constructed from decision tree models. Trees are added one at a time to the ensemble and fit to correct the prediction errors made by prior models. This is a type of ensemble machine learning model referred to as boosting.

#Q.3 What is Principal Component Analysis? Why do we use PCA in our notebook?

## #ANSWER:

PCA is a widely covered machine learning method on the web, and there are some great articles about it, but many spend too much time in the weeds on the topic, when most of us just want to know how it works in a simplified way.

Principal component analysis can be broken down into five steps. I'll go through each step, providing logical explanations of what PCA is doing and simplifying mathematical concepts such as standardization, covariance, eigenvectors and eigenvalues without focusing on how to compute them.

PCA helps you interpret your data, but it will not always find the important patterns. Principal

component analysis (PCA) simplifies the complexity in high-dimensional data while retaining trends and patterns. It does this by transforming the data into fewer dimensions, which act as summaries of features. PCA is used to visualize multidimensional data. It is used to reduce the number of dimensions in healthcare data. PCA can help resize an image. When PCA is used as part of preprocessing, the algorithm is applied to: Reduce the number of dimensions in the training dataset. De-noise the data. Because PCA is computed by finding the components which explain the greatest amount of variance, it captures the signal in the data and omits the noise.

#Q.4 Check use of "StandardScalar" class from sklearn in notebook. What do you think is this API used for?

# #ANSWER:

Python sklearn library offers us with StandardScaler() function to standardize the data values into a standard format. According to the above syntax, we initially create an object of the Standard-Scaler() function. Further, we use fit\_transform() along with the assigned object to transform the data and standardize it. StandardScaler removes the mean and scales each feature/variable to unit variance. This operation is performed feature-wise in an independent way. StandardScaler can be influenced by outliers (if they exist in the dataset) since it involves the estimation of the empirical mean and standard deviation of each feature. When the features of the given dataset fluctuate significantly within their ranges or are recorded in various units of measurement, StandardScaler enters the picture.

The data are scaled to a variance of 1 after the mean is reduced to 0 via StandardScaler. But when determining the empirical mean of the data and standard deviation, outliers present in data have a significant impact that reduces the spectrum of characteristic values.

Many machine learning algorithms may encounter issues due to these variations in the starting features. For algorithms that calculate distance, for instance, if any of the dataset's features have values having large or completely different ranges, that particular feature of the dataset will control the distance calculation.

The StandardScaler function of sklearn is based on the theory that the dataset's variables whose values lie in different ranges do not have an equal contribution to the model's fit parameters and training function and may even lead to bias in the predictions made with that model.

#Q.5 Consider statement "model = XGBClassifier(max\_depth=5, objective='multi:softprob', n\_estimators=1000, num\_classes=10)" in the notebook explain purpose of each parameter of this constructor. What are we doing here defining a model with specific parameters or training the model?

## **#ANSWER:**

#"model = XGBClassifier(max\_depth=5, objective='multi:softprob', n\_estimators=1000, num\_classes=10)" This statement is used for model training and model fitting it determines and gives the parameter such as the maximum depth of the tree and no. of trees, categorize the class\_id and also it gives the objective parameter essentially gives a fuzzy clustering for the distinct probability of belonging to each class.

#max\_depth=5: This determines the maximum depth of the tree. In our case, we use a depth of two to make our decision tree. The default value is set to none. This will often result in over-fitted decision trees.

#n\_estimators=1000 n\_estimators: The n\_estimators parameter specifies the number of trees in the forest of the model. The default value for this parameter is 1000, which means that 10 different decision trees will be constructed in the random forest

#objective='multi:softprob': The multi:softprob objective parameter essentially gives us a fuzzy clustering in which each observation is given a distinct probability of belonging to each class. In order to use these probabilities for classification, we will have to determine the max probability for each observation and assign a class.

#num\_classes=10 the num\_classes still means the maximum category\_id and this setting does not mean to include the background class. I checked the dateset/create\_pascal\_tfrecord.py and found the class label is the category\_id (for pascal it ranges in [1, 20]). Setting num\_classes to 21 merely adds an extra non-sense class, but does not influence the original 20 classes. The maximum category\_id is 21 now, but there is no data of this class. Maybe this is a minor mistake. I suggest using the last setting num\_classes: 20.

#What step in ML pipeline fit fuction carries out?

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The fit() method takes the training data as arguments, which can be one array in the case of unsupervised learning, or two arrays in the case of supervised learning. Note that the model is fitted using X and y, but the object holds no reference to X and y. Pipelines allow us to streamline this process by compiling the preparation steps while easing the task of model tuning and monitoring. Scikit-Learn's Pipeline class provides a structure for applying a series of data transformations followed by an estimator. Step 1: Data Preprocessing. The first step in any pipeline is data preprocessing. Step 2: Data Cleaning. Next, this data flows to the cleaning step. Step 3: Feature Engineering. Step 4: Model Selection. Step 5: Prediction Generation. One definition of an ML pipeline is a means of automating the machine learning workflow by enabling data to be transformed and correlated into a model that can then be analyzed to achieve outputs. This type of ML pipeline makes the process of inputting data into the ML model fully automated. Before training a model, you should split your data into a training set and a test set. Each dataset will go through the data cleaning and preprocessing steps before you put it in a machine learning model.

It's not efficient to write repetitive code for the training set and the test set. This is when the scikit-learn pipeline comes into play.

Scikit-learn pipeline is an elegant way to create a machine learning model training workflow.