Enhancing AI Equity in Education: Post Implementation Development

Overview

In this notebook, we delve into crucial aspects of AI application in education, focusing on explainability, customer feedback and UX testing, and post-launch assessment. Our goal is to ensure that AI tools not only support educational objectives but also do so transparently and equitably, incorporating user feedback and continuously monitoring performance and bias.

Topics Covered

- Al Explainability, Literacy & Education: Understanding the "why" behind Al predictions is crucial for trust and usability in educational settings. We'll explore tools and techniques for enhancing Al explainability.
- 2. **Customer Feedback and UX Testing**: Direct input from users is invaluable. We'll examine how to collect and use feedback to improve AI tools in education.
- 3. **Post-Launch Assessment**: After deployment, the work isn't done. We'll cover strategies for monitoring Al tools to detect any performance issues or bias, ensuring they remain effective and fair over time.

In [1]: import sys
!{sys.executable} -m pip install shap



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In [2]: import numpy as np
        import pandas as pd
        from sklearn.model selection import train test split
        from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
        from sklearn.metrics import accuracy score, confusion matrix
        from sklearn.datasets import make classification
        import shap # For explainability
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
        # Generate a synthetic dataset: features could represent student demographics, performaria
In [3]:
        X, y = make classification(n samples=1000, n features=20, n informative=15, n redundant=
        # Split the dataset into training and testing sets
        X train, X test, y train, y test = train test split(X, y, test size=0.2, random state=42
        print("Synthetic dataset generated and split into training and testing sets.")
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        # Initialize and train a RandomForestClassifier
In [4]:
        model = RandomForestClassifier(random state=42)
        model.fit(X train, y train)
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Predict on the test set

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y_pred = model.predict(X_test)
         # Basic evaluation
         accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)
         print(f"Model Accuracy: {accuracy:.2f}")
        Model Accuracy: 0.98
In [5]:
         # Using SHAP for explainability
         explainer = shap.TreeExplainer(model)
         shap values = explainer.shap values(X test)
         # Plot the SHAP values for the first prediction
         shap.initjs()
         shap.force plot(explainer.expected value[1], shap values[1][0,:], X test[0,:])
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Customer Feedback and UX Testing

Gathering and integrating customer feedback is essential for creating user-centered AI tools in education. Tools like surveys, interviews, and usability tests help understand user needs and preferences. Incorporating this feedback into the AI development process ensures the tool is effective and user-friendly.

Tools for Customer Feedback and UX Testing:

- Surveys and Questionnaires: Collect quantitative and qualitative data from users.
- Interviews: Deep dive into user experiences and expectations.
- **Usability Testing**: Observe real users interacting with the AI tool to identify usability issues.

Monitoring Tools and Resources

Ensuring the long-term success of an AI tool in education requires continuous monitoring for performance, fairness, and user satisfaction. Below are resources and tools that can help practitioners in these areas:

Regular Evaluation

- **Scikit-learn**: A foundational Python library that provides simple and efficient tools for data analysis and modeling, including performance metrics.
 - GitHub: https://github.com/scikit-learn/scikit-learn

Bias Detection

- Al Fairness 360 (AlF360): An extensible open-source library to help detect, understand, and mitigate bias in machine learning models.
 - GitHub: https://github.com/Trusted-AI/AIF360
- Fairlearn: A toolkit that aims to empower data scientists and developers to assess and improve the fairness of their AI systems.
 - GitHub: https://github.com/fairlearn/fairlearn

User Feedback Loop

- **Prodigy**: An annotation tool for machine learning and natural language processing tasks. It's an efficient way to improve models based on user feedback, though it's not open source.
 - Website: https://prodi.gy/
- Paperform: A versatile form builder that can be used to collect user feedback, with easy integration into websites and apps.
 - Website: https://paperform.co/

While Prodigy and Paperform are not hosted on GitHub and might not be free, they represent practical tools for collecting and incorporating user feedback into the continuous improvement cycle of Al tools. For open-source alternatives, consider integrating GitHub issues or Google Forms as part of your feedback loop strategy.