Click-Through Rate Prediction



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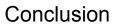
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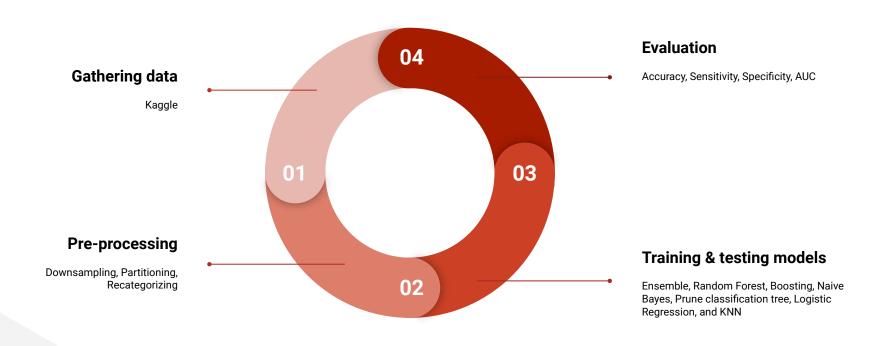


Introduction - Motivation

- Online advertisements have a significant influence on the success of a business
- Click-through rate (CTR) is commonly used to evaluate ad performance



Introduction - Workflow



Data - Description

id	click	hour (C1	banner_pos site_id	site_domair	site_catego	ry app_id	app_domair	app_catego	ry device_id	device_ip	device_mode	device_type	device_con	n_ C14	C15	C16	C17	C1	.8	C19	C20) c	21
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Data source: Kaggle CTR prediction contest

Observations: 45 million records

Variables: 23 in total

dependent variable: click

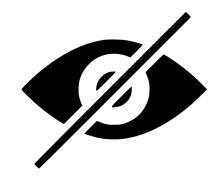
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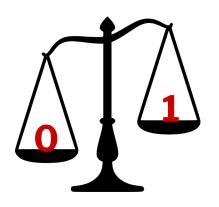
Big data

Anonymized features

Imbalanced classes of the dependent variable



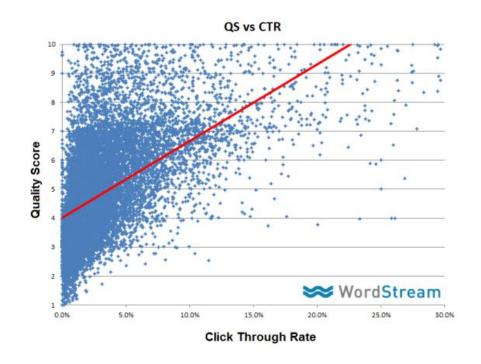




Research Question - 1

There is a positive relationship between Click Through Rate and Quality Scores.

➤ Is it possible to predict whether an ad would be clicked by viewers or not based on historical data? Furthermore, is it possible to successfully identify both clicked ads and non-clicked ads?



Research Question - 2

The challenge of the humongous data sets:
Is it possible to drive values from the data in an efficient way under constraints?



Methodology

Anonymized features

Feature Category

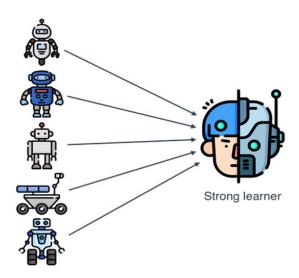


Group Mean CTR vs Total Mean CTR



Very Low, Low, Median, High, Very High

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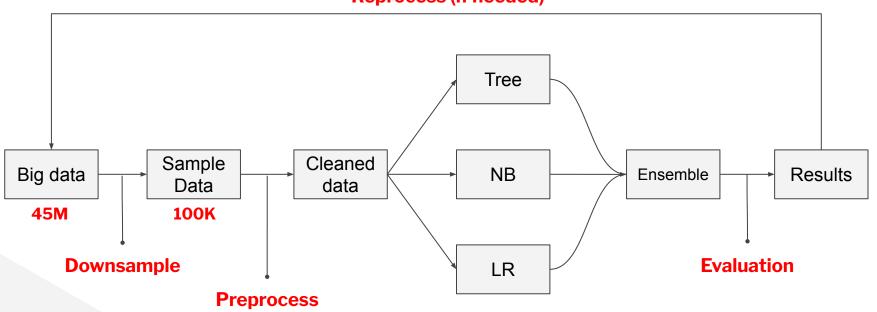
Imbalanced classes

- Weights
- Synthetic
- Downsample

https://livebook.manning.com/concept/machine-learning/ensemble-method

Auto modeling

Reprocess (if needed)



Our Ensemble Algorithm

Randomly choose a subset of data & 2-6 features



Build NaiveBayes, Logistic Regression or Classification Tree



Choose proper prediction method based on input model



Average the predictive probabilities to get final result



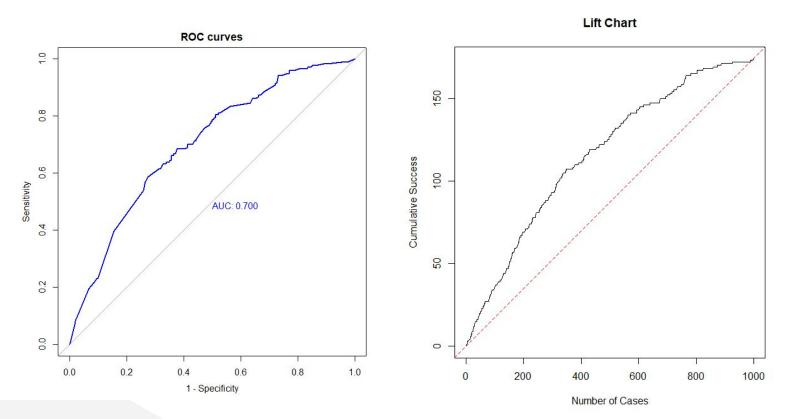
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Stage I	Accuracy	Sensitivity	Specificity			
NaiveBayes	0.637	0.271	0.894			
KNN	0.636	0.609	0.641			
Prune Tree	0.608	0.267	0.907			
Bagging	0.591	0.666	0.575			
Gradient Boosting	0.562	0.216	0.863			
XGB	0.635	0.402	0.684			
Random Forest	0.627	0.775	0.595			

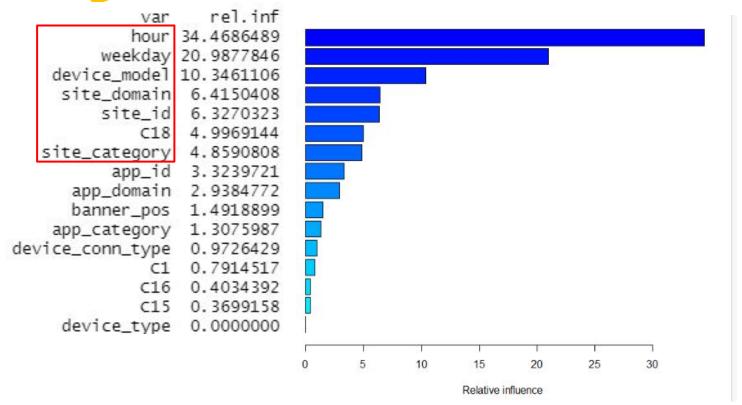
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Stage II	Accuracy	Sensitivity	Specificity
125 Tree	0.651	0.638	0.653
125 NB	0.598	0.706	0.575
125 LR	0.609	0.695	0.59
125 Tree + 125 NB	0.623	0.666	0.613
125 Tree + 125 LR	0.64	0.666	0.634
125 NB + 125 LR	0.604	0.683	0.587
125 Tree + 125 NB + 125 LR	0.628	0.666	0.619
375 Tree	0.652	0.638	0.655

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Conclusion



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Recommended prediction model:

- Self-build ensemble tree-based model
 - Accuracy: 65.2%
 - Sensitivity: 63.79%
 - Specificity: 65.5%
 - o AUC: 70%

Future works:

- More data and models
- Deep learning algorithms
- Process data on big data platforms
 - Hadoop and Spark



Thank You!

