

CS 521-DATA MINING PROJECT FINAL REPORT

KAGGLE COMPETITION

LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE-Quantify property hazards before time of inspection

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## PROBLEM DEFINITION:

### **Liberty Mutual's Home Insurance:**

To ensure that Liberty Mutual's portfolio of home insurance policies aligns with their business goals, many newly insured properties receive a home inspection.

These inspections review the condition of key attributes of the property, including things like the foundation, roof, windows and siding. The results of an inspection help Liberty Mutual determine if the property is one they want to insure.

**In this Kaggle Competition we should predict a transformed count of hazards or pre-existing damages using a dataset of property information.** This will enable Liberty Mutual to more accurately identify high risk homes that require additional examination to confirm their insurability.

This is a Prediction problem to predict the Hazard score of a particular property given with its attributes. We need to build a prediction model from the given training set and predict the Hazard count of the Properties in Test Dataset.

What is **Numeric Prediction**? Prediction is similar to classification, constructs a model and uses the model to predict unknown or missing values and the Predicted values are usually continuous whereas classifications are discrete. <sup>[1]</sup>

We are going to predict the Hazard score of each property using the model built by the train data of huge list of properties along with its features and Hazard score. Hence it is going to be **Supervised Learning Algorithm** approach.

## DATA DESCRIPTION:

Provided with csv files **train.csv** indicating train data and **test.csv** indicating test data for which we need to predict the hazard score and submit the hazard scores of the Test data in the prescribed csv format (from **sample\_submission.csv**) to kaggle to view the status and leader board score.

Train.csv	51000 data	32 features(columns)
Test.csv	51001 data	32 features(columns)

**Each row in the dataset corresponds to a property that was inspected and given a hazard score ("Hazard").**

On noticing the train data hazard score as a **continuous number** that represents the condition of the property as determined by the inspection. That's why we felt that this problem fall under numeric prediction.

Some inspection hazards are major and contribute more to the total score, while some are minor and contribute less. The total score for a property is the sum of the individual hazards.

The goal of this project is to forecast the hazard score based on anonymized variables which are available before an inspection is ordered <sup>[2]</sup>.

**train.csv** - the training set, contains the Hazard and anonymized predictor variables (Features of each property)

**test.csv** - the test set, contains only the anonymized predictor variables (Features of each property)

On looking into the features (anonymized predictor variables) - It has 32 columns T1\_V1 to T1\_V17 and T2\_V1 to T2\_V15. It is a mix of Numerical and Categorical Columns (Nominal Attributes).

Categorical Columns-Nominal Attributes-(All data are in the form of Alphabets) - ['T1\_V4', 'T1\_V5', 'T1\_V6', 'T1\_V7', 'T1\_V8', 'T1\_V9', 'T1\_V11', 'T1\_V12', 'T1\_V15', 'T1\_V16', 'T1\_V17', 'T2\_V3', 'T2\_V5', 'T2\_V11', 'T2\_V12', 'T2\_V13']

Numerical Columns- ['T1\_V1', 'T1\_V2', 'T1\_V3', 'T1\_V10', 'T1\_V13', 'T1\_V14', 'T2\_V1', 'T2\_V2', 'T2\_V4', 'T2\_V6', 'T2\_V7', 'T2\_V8', 'T2\_V9', 'T2\_V10', 'T2\_V14', 'T2\_V15']

### CLEANING STEPS:

As a first step to this project we converted all the **categorical columns** (Nominal/Ordinal Attributes) **to numeric**. We used Label Encoder to convert all the Categorical data to numerical value.

### ALGORITHM AND TOOLS USED:

**Language and Tools:** Python-Numpy, Scipy, pandas, XGBoost **scikit learn**-for Machine Learning/DM algorithms. We used Spyder and PyCharm IDE for this project.

### **Algorithm:**

As we found this is a numeric prediction, we felt to start with Decision trees for numeric prediction-Regression Trees

Decision trees, where the target variable can take continuous values (typically real numbers) are called **regression trees** [3].

Using scikit learn we used DecisionTreeRegressor(max\_depth=15 - randomly chosen) to implement the Regression tree from the training dataset and predict the Hazard Score for the Test Data and submit it to Kaggle.

But it showed very less results and then we focussed on the randomforest regressor() as mentioned in the contest to use random forest to cross the random forest benchmark.

### **RANDOM FOREST REGRESSOR:**

Scikit Learn - [sklearn.ensemble.RandomForestRegressor](#) [4]

A Random forest is good option for any prediction problem. It belongs to a larger class of machine learning algorithms called **ensemble** methods [5].

Each classifier in the ensemble is a decision tree classifier and is generated using a random selection of attributes at each node to determine the split.

Random forest Algorithm will create a bunch of random decision trees. Random forest aggregates classification or regression trees.

`ensemble.RandomForestRegressor(n_estimators=100, max_depth=15)` in which `n_estimators` determines the number of trees in the forest with a `max_depth` of 15.

### GRADIENT BOOSTING REGRESSOR:

Scikit Learn - `sklearn.ensemble.GradientBoostingRegressor[6]`.

The algorithm for Boosting Trees evolved from the application of [boosting](#) methods to regression trees. The general idea is to compute a sequence of (very) simple trees, where each successive tree is built for the prediction residuals of the preceding tree.

```
gb = ensemble.GradientBoostingRegressor(n_estimators=150, max_depth=6)
```

### NEURAL NETWORK:

`sklearn.neural_network import BernoulliRBM[7]`

With initial weight assumption and learning rate 0.1 we build a simple feedforward neural Network.

```
log = linear_model.LogisticRegression()  
NN_BRBM_model_1 = BernoulliRBM(n_components=2, learning_rate = 0.1)  
cls1 = Pipeline(steps=[('rbm', NN_BRBM_model_1), ('logistic',  
log)]) .fit(train_data1,y)
```

### XGBOOST:

`xgboost as xgb[8]`

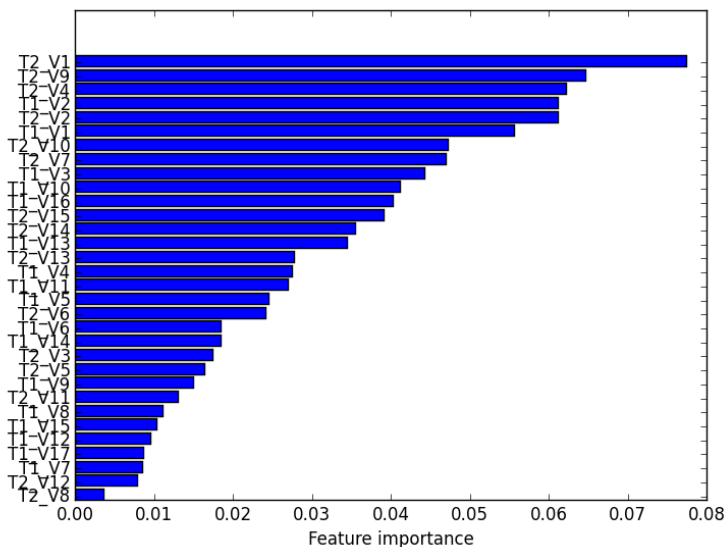
We used XGB to improve our Gini score our in our leaderboard.

Extreme Gradient Boosting—Tree ensemble method.

```
preds2 = modelXGB.predict(xgtest,ntree_limit=modelXGB.best_iteration)
```

We iterate until we get a best lesser RMSE Score.

Feature selection based on Relevance Importance Calculated from Random Forest. We choose the top 25 features for selection.

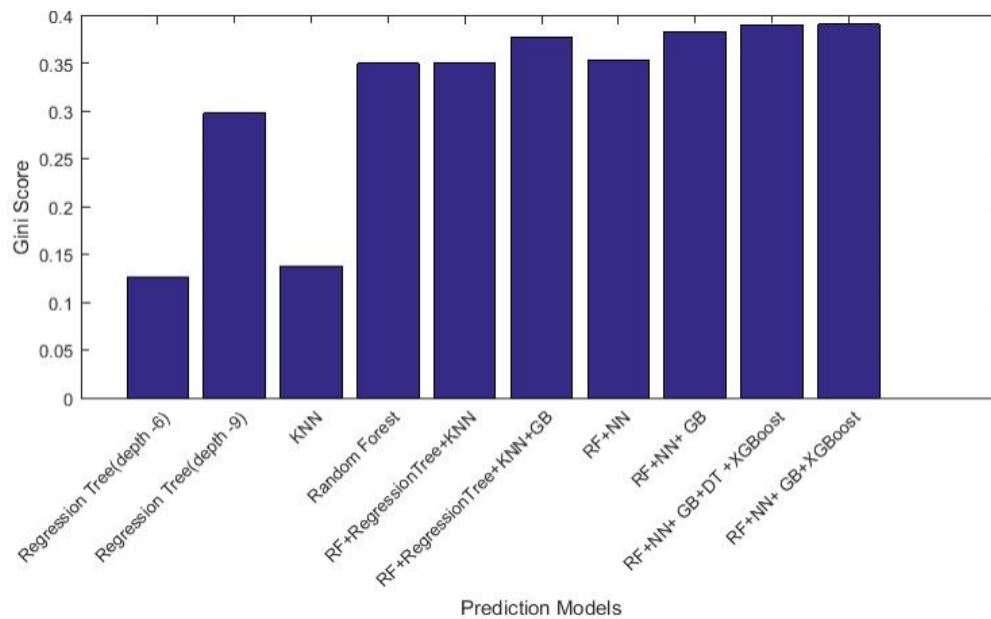


## RESULTS ON TRAINING DATA:

$$\text{MSE}(y, \hat{y}) = \frac{1}{n_{\text{samples}}} \sum_{i=0}^{n_{\text{samples}}-1} (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2.$$

We used RMSE Error metric to evaluate our training model and to get lesser RMSE value(Final Ensemble model gave us RMSE of 0.7342

And Based on our Leader board Score (Gini Score)we preferred the model.

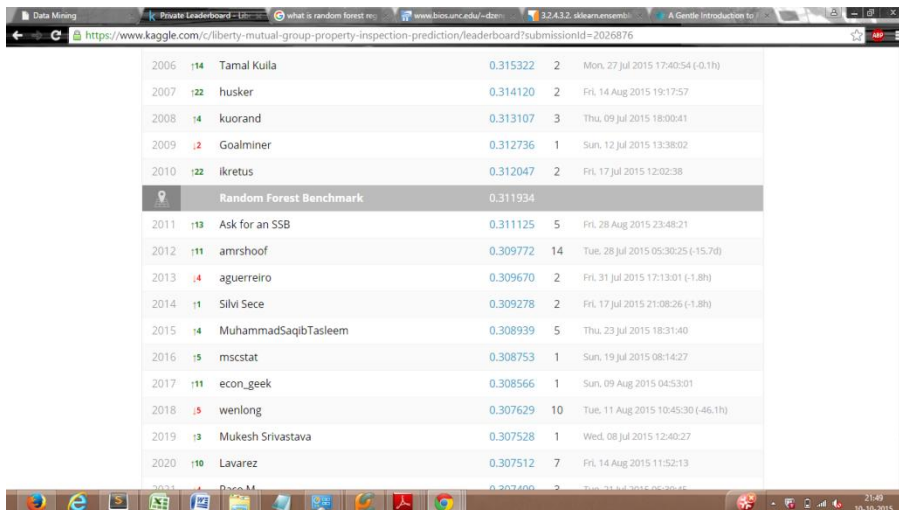


## SCREENSHOTS:

### Zero Bench Mark:

Rank	Username	Score	Placements	Time
2190	Tuananhkk	0.010528	1	Mon, 27 Jul 2015 03:58:12
2191	sinnomens li	0.010101	5	Mon, 27 Jul 2015 18:16:52 (-1.2h)
2192	Evan Miller	0.010095	1	Wed, 29 Jul 2015 09:36:59
	<b>All Zeros Benchmark</b>	<b>0.010061</b>		
2193	azneye	0.010061	1	Mon, 06 Jul 2015 19:56:09
2194	Vikram Jha	0.010061	1	Mon, 06 Jul 2015 20:53:46
2195	mnrl	0.010061	1	Wed, 08 Jul 2015 00:41:19
2196	runbotic	0.010061	1	Wed, 08 Jul 2015 16:36:09
2197	akeskiner	0.010061	1	Mon, 13 Jul 2015 09:18:54
2198	AdeFaps	0.010061	1	Tue, 14 Jul 2015 21:37:05
2199	Byron Wall	0.010061	1	Wed, 15 Jul 2015 01:10:19
2200	cash_FEG	0.010061	1	Wed, 15 Jul 2015 02:02:58
2201	Eugene W.	0.010061	2	Wed, 15 Jul 2015 02:40:10 (-0.5h)
2202	Naveen Sundaresan	0.010061	1	Mon, 20 Jul 2015 07:23:08
2203	J. V. King	0.010061	2	Tue, 21 Jul 2015 06:31:43 (-0.4h)
2204	ultron	0.010061	1	Thu, 23 Jul 2015 16:49:41

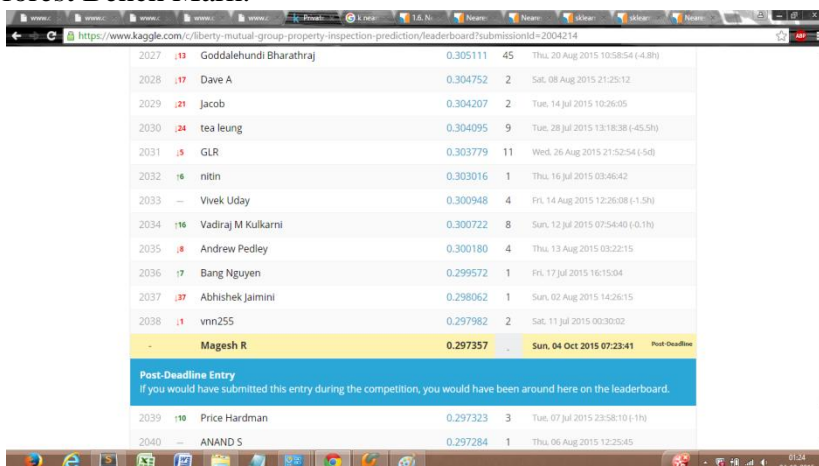
## Random Forest Bench Mark:



A screenshot of a web browser displaying the Kaggle leaderboard for the 'liberty-mutual-group-property-inspection-prediction' competition. The browser window shows the URL 'https://www.kaggle.com/c/liberty-mutual-group-property-inspection-prediction/leaderboard/submissionId=2026876'. The leaderboard table lists various participants with their scores, ranks, and submission times. The 'Random Forest Benchmark' is highlighted in a grey row, showing a score of 0.311934.

Rank	Participant	Score	Rank	Time
2006	Tamal Kulla	0.315322	2	Mon, 27 Jul 2015 17:40:54 (-0.1h)
2007	husker	0.314120	2	Fri, 14 Aug 2015 19:17:57
2008	kuorand	0.313107	3	Thu, 09 Jul 2015 18:00:41
2009	Goalminer	0.312736	1	Sun, 12 Jul 2015 13:38:02
2010	ikretus	0.312047	2	Fri, 17 Jul 2015 12:02:38
	<b>Random Forest Benchmark</b>	<b>0.311934</b>		
2011	Ask for an SSB	0.311125	5	Fri, 28 Aug 2015 23:48:21
2012	amrshoof	0.309772	14	Tue, 28 Jul 2015 05:30:25 (-15.7h)
2013	aguerreiro	0.309670	2	Fri, 31 Jul 2015 17:13:01 (-1.8h)
2014	Silvi Sece	0.309278	2	Fri, 17 Jul 2015 21:08:26 (-1.8h)
2015	MuhammadSaqibTasleem	0.308939	5	Thu, 23 Jul 2015 18:31:40
2016	msscstat	0.308753	1	Sun, 19 Jul 2015 08:14:27
2017	econ_geek	0.308566	1	Sun, 09 Aug 2015 04:53:01
2018	wenlong	0.307629	10	Tue, 11 Aug 2015 10:45:30 (-46.1h)
2019	Mukesh Srivastava	0.307528	1	Wed, 08 Jul 2015 12:40:27
2020	Lavarez	0.307512	7	Fri, 14 Aug 2015 11:52:13

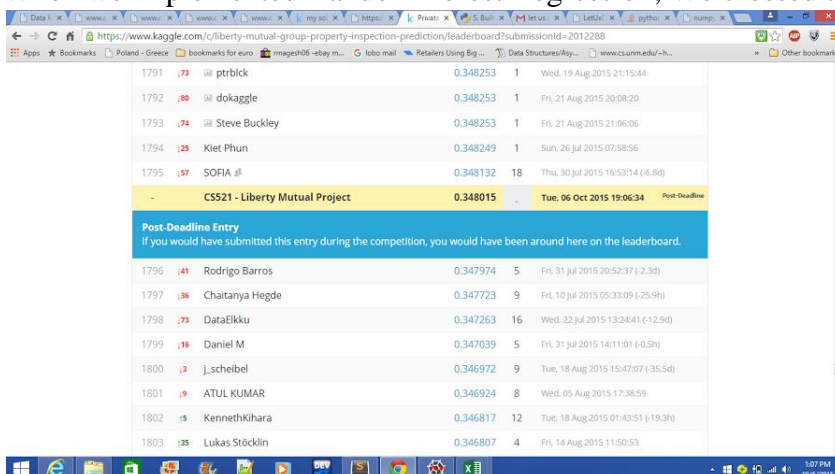
When Implemented decision Tree regression, we crossed Zero Bench Mark but not Random forest Bench Mark:



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Rank	Participant	Score	Rank	Time
2027	Goddalehundi Bharathraj	0.305111	45	Thu, 20 Aug 2015 10:58:54 (-4.8h)
2028	Dave A	0.304752	2	Sat, 08 Aug 2015 21:25:12
2029	Jacob	0.304207	2	Tue, 14 Jul 2015 10:26:05
2030	tea leung	0.304095	9	Tue, 28 Jul 2015 13:18:38 (-45.5h)
2031	GLR	0.303779	11	Wed, 26 Aug 2015 21:52:54 (-5d)
2032	nitin	0.303016	1	Thu, 16 Jul 2015 03:46:42
2033	Vivek Uday	0.300948	4	Fri, 14 Aug 2015 12:26:08 (-1.5h)
2034	Vadraj M Kulkarni	0.300722	8	Sun, 12 Jul 2015 07:54:40 (-0.1h)
2035	Andrew Pedley	0.300180	4	Thu, 13 Aug 2015 03:22:15
2036	Bang Nguyen	0.299572	1	Fri, 17 Jul 2015 16:15:04
2037	Abhishek Jainini	0.298062	1	Sun, 02 Aug 2015 14:26:15
2038	vnn255	0.297982	2	Sat, 11 Jul 2015 00:30:02
	<b>Magesh R</b>	<b>0.297357</b>		<b>Sun, 04 Oct 2015 07:23:41</b> <b>Post-Deadline</b>
<b>Post-Deadline Entry</b> If you would have submitted this entry during the competition, you would have been around here on the leaderboard.				
2039	Price Hardman	0.297323	3	Tue, 07 Jul 2015 23:58:10 (-1h)
2040	ANAND S	0.297284	1	Thu, 06 Aug 2015 12:25:45

When we implemented Random Forest Regression, We crossed the Random Forest Regressor.



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Rank	Participant	Score	Rank	Time
1791	ptrblck	0.348253	1	Wed, 19 Aug 2015 21:15:44
1792	dokaggle	0.348253	1	Fri, 21 Aug 2015 20:08:20
1793	Steve Buckley	0.348253	1	Fri, 21 Aug 2015 21:06:06
1794	Kiet Phun	0.348249	1	Sun, 26 Jul 2015 07:58:56
1795	SOFIA	0.348132	18	Thu, 30 Jul 2015 16:53:14 (-6.8h)
	<b>CS521 - Liberty Mutual Project</b>	<b>0.348015</b>		<b>Tue, 06 Oct 2015 19:06:34</b> <b>Post-Deadline</b>
<b>Post-Deadline Entry</b> If you would have submitted this entry during the competition, you would have been around here on the leaderboard.				
1796	Rodrigo Barros	0.347974	5	Fri, 31 Jul 2015 20:52:37 (-2.3d)
1797	Chaitanya Hegde	0.347723	9	Fri, 10 Jul 2015 05:33:09 (-25.9h)
1798	DataElkku	0.347263	16	Wed, 22 Jul 2015 13:24:41 (-12.9d)
1799	Daniel M	0.347039	5	Fri, 31 Jul 2015 14:11:01 (-0.5h)
1800	j_scheibel	0.346972	9	Tue, 18 Aug 2015 15:47:07 (-35.5d)
1801	ATUL KUMAR	0.346924	8	Wed, 05 Aug 2015 17:38:59
1802	KennethKihara	0.346817	12	Tue, 18 Aug 2015 01:43:51 (-19.3h)
1803	Lukas Stocklin	0.346807	4	Fri, 14 Aug 2015 11:50:53

When we tried with our Ensemble model with XGBoost and NN and RF we get higher score

749	↓26	lxx	0.390299	177	Fri, 28 Aug 2015 00:22:30 (-2d)
750	↓22	Grigory Dymov (I want to PZAD)	0.390279	26	Fri, 28 Aug 2015 20:29:15 (-33h)
751	↑23	David Foster	0.390250	29	Thu, 27 Aug 2015 07:20:04 (-11.3d)
752	↓55	anmiko	0.390225	47	Fri, 28 Aug 2015 03:59:44
753	↑99	Michael R	0.390183	27	Fri, 28 Aug 2015 23:02:57
-		<b>CS521 - Liberty Mutual Project</b>	<b>0.390179</b>	-	<b>Sat, 21 Nov 2015 23:10:00</b> <small>Post-Deadline</small>
<b>Post-Deadline Entry</b> If you would have submitted this entry during the competition, you would have been around here on the leaderboard.					
754	↑37	Alberto Bosko Boschetti	0.390175	24	Wed, 26 Aug 2015 23:47:10 (-13.6d)
755	↓50	Timothy Riley	0.390162	34	Tue, 28 Jul 2015 00:27:11 (-35.1h)
756	↑42	FizmatS	0.390161	22	Fri, 28 Aug 2015 11:58:37 (-10.8d)
757	↑69	BigPlanet	0.390155	15	Mon, 17 Aug 2015 05:46:29 (-16.8h)
758	↑6	GreatDataAnalyst	0.390089	59	Fri, 28 Aug 2015 09:58:00
759	↑111	jdmull	0.390083	75	Tue, 25 Aug 2015 00:06:32 (-0.4h)

### NEXT SET OF TASKS TO IMPROVE OUR SCORE:

Try different XGB Model for prediction with different pre-processing data using Label Encoder, Dict Vectorizer.

### References:

- [1] <http://www.cs.stir.ac.uk/courses/CSC9T6/lectures/1%20Data%20Mining/4%20-%20Prediction.pdf>
- [2] <https://www.kaggle.com/c/liberty-mutual-group-property-inspection-prediction>
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- [5] <http://blog.yhathq.com/posts/random-forests-in-python.html>
- [6] <https://www.statsoft.com/Textbook/Boosting-Trees-Regression-Classification/button/1>
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### Appendix:

### Code:

```
import pandas as pd
#import pydot#
import numpy as np
#import graphviz
import math
from sklearn.externals.six import StringIO
from sklearn import ensemble
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor
from sklearn.ensemble import GradientBoostingRegressor
from sklearn.metrics import mean_absolute_error
from os import system
from sklearn import preprocessing
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from sklearn import tree
from sklearn import svm
from sklearn import neighbors, datasets
from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsRegressor
from sklearn.feature_extraction import DictVectorizer as DV
from sklearn.cross_validation import KFold
from sklearn.decomposition import PCA
from sklearn import linear_model
from sklearn.neural_network import BernoulliRBM
from sklearn import cross_validation
from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline
from sklearn import linear_model
import xgboost as xgb
from sklearn.feature_extraction import DictVectorizer
from datetime import datetime

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

#Reading the training and Testing Data
train = pd.read_csv('train.csv')
test = pd.read_csv('test.csv')

ids = test['Id']
y = train['Hazard']
train = train.drop(['Hazard', 'Id'], axis=1)
test = test.drop(['Id'], axis=1)

#get the categorical columns
fact_cols = ['T1_V4', 'T1_V5', 'T1_V6', 'T1_V7', 'T1_V8', 'T1_V9',
'T1_V11', 'T1_V12', 'T1_V15', 'T1_V16', 'T1_V17', 'T2_V3', 'T2_V5', 'T2_V11',
'T2_V12', 'T2_V13']

#time evaluation
start_time = datetime.now()

#Preprocessing of the data using Label Encoder
lbl = preprocessing.LabelEncoder()
for column in fact_cols:
    train[column+'_new'] = lbl.fit_transform(train[column])
    test[column+'_new'] = lbl.fit_transform(test[column])
train_data = train.drop(fact_cols, axis=1)
test_data = test.drop(fact_cols, axis=1)
train_data = train_data.astype(float)
test_data = test_data.astype(float)

train_data.drop('T2_V10', axis=1, inplace=True)
train_data.drop('T2_V7', axis=1, inplace=True)
train_data.drop('T1_V13', axis=1, inplace=True)
train_data.drop('T1_V10', axis=1, inplace=True)

test_data.drop('T2_V10', axis=1, inplace=True)
test_data.drop('T2_V7', axis=1, inplace=True)
test_data.drop('T1_V13', axis=1, inplace=True)
test_data.drop('T1_V10', axis=1, inplace=True)

##### PCA REDUCTION #####
#pca=PCA(n components=2)
#pca.fit(train_data)

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#pca.fit(test_data)
#plt.plot(train_data,'ro')
#plt.show()

#put the numerical as matrix

train_data1 = np.array(train_data.as_matrix(columns = None),
dtype=object).astype(np.int)
test_data1 = np.array(test_data.as_matrix(columns=None),
dtype=object).astype(np.int)

##### RANDOM FOREST REGRESSOR #####
n_neighbors=8

rf = ensemble.RandomForestRegressor(n_estimators=200, max_depth=15)
rf.fit(train_data1, y)
pred1 = rf.predict(test_data1)

##### DECISION TREE REGRESSOR #####
#dt =tree.DecisionTreeRegressor(max_depth=15)
#dt.fit(train_data1, y)

##### K NEIGHBOUR REGRESSOR #####
#pred2 = dt.predict(test_data1)
#knn =KNeighborsRegressor(n_neighbors=9)
#knn.fit(train_data1, y)
#pred3 = knn.predict(test_data1)

##### GRADIENT BOOSTING REGRESSOR #####
gb = ensemble.GradientBoostingRegressor(n_estimators=150, max_depth=6)
gb.fit(train_data1, y)
pred4 = gb.predict(test_data1)

##### SVM MODEL #####
#svm1 = svm.SVR()
#svm1.fit(train_data1, y)
#pred5 = svm1.predict(test_data1)

#####XGBOOST#####
def xgboost_pred(train,labels,test):
    params = {}
    params["objective"] = "reg:linear"
    params["eta"] = 0.005
    params["min_child_weight"] = 6
    params["subsample"] = 0.7
    params["colsample_bytree"] = 0.7
    params["scale_pos_weight"] = 1
    params["silent"] = 1
    params["max_depth"] = 9

    listOfParameters = list(params.items())

    offset = 4000

    num_rounds = 10000
    xgtest = xgb.DMatrix(test)

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#create a train and validation dmatrices
xgtrain = xgb.DMatrix(train[offset:,:], label=labels[offset:])
xgval = xgb.DMatrix(train[:offset,:], label=labels[:offset])

#predication
evallist = [(xgtrain, 'train'), (xgval, 'val')]
modelXGB = xgb.train(listOfParameters, xgtrain, num_rounds, evallist,
early_stopping_rounds=10)
preds1 = modelXGB.predict(xgtest, ntree_limit=modelXGB.best_iteration)

#reverse train and labels
train = train[::-1,:]
labels = np.log(labels[::-1])

xgtrain = xgb.DMatrix(train[offset:,:], label=labels[offset:])
xgval = xgb.DMatrix(train[:offset,:], label=labels[:offset])

evallist = [(xgtrain, 'train'), (xgval, 'val')]
modelXGB = xgb.train(listOfParameters, xgtrain, num_rounds, evallist,
early_stopping_rounds=120)
preds2 = modelXGB.predict(xgtest, ntree_limit=modelXGB.best_iteration)

#combine predictions
preds = preds1*1.4 + preds2*8.6
return preds
##### XGB MODEL #####
pred7=xgboost_pred(train_data1,y,test_data1)

##### NEURAL NETWORK MODEL #####
log = linear_model.LogisticRegression()
NN_BRBM_model_1 = BernoulliRBM(n_components=3, learning_rate = 0.1)
cls1 = Pipeline(steps=[('rbm', NN_BRBM_model_1), ('logistic',
log)]).fit(train_data1,y)

##### CROSS VALIDATING NN MODEL #####

KF_NN1 = cross_validation.KFold(len(train_data1), n_folds=10, shuffle=True,
random_state=4)
Score_NN1 = cross_validation.cross_val_score(cls1, train_data1, y,
cv=KF_NN1, n_jobs=1)

print "Neural Network Accuracy : "+str(Score_NN1.mean())

pred6=cls1.predict(test_data1)

##### Comination of Predications #####
pred=(pred1*0.05)+(pred4*0.15)+(pred6*0.5)+(pred7*0.3)

preds = pd.DataFrame({"Id": ids, "Hazard": pred})

preds = preds[['Id', 'Hazard']]

preds.to_csv('result_random_with_time.csv', index=False)

end_time = datetime.now()
time_taken = (end_time - start_time)
print time_taken

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