

Mini-Project 2: Song Popularity Prediction

Goal: You must predict the popularity of a song given features like acousticness, danceability, key, loudness, etc.

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<https://www.dropbox.com/s/zzdn6jjd7v5rww0/train.csv?dl=0>

Data Description

Danceability: Describes how suitable a track is for dancing based on a combination of musical elements including tempo, rhythm stability, beat strength, and overall regularity.

Valence: Describes the musical positiveness conveyed by a track. Tracks with high valence sound more positive (e.g. happy, cheerful, euphoric), while tracks with low valence sound more negative (e.g. sad, depressed, angry).

Energy: Represents a perceptual measure of intensity and activity. Typically, energetic tracks feel fast, loud, and noisy. For example, death metal has high energy, while a Bach prelude scores low on the scale.

Tempo: The overall estimated tempo of a track in beats per minute (BPM). In musical terminology, tempo is the speed or pace of a given piece, and derives directly from the average beat duration.

Loudness: The overall loudness of a track in decibels (dB). Loudness values are averaged across the entire track and are useful for comparing relative loudness of tracks.

Speechiness: This detects the presence of spoken words in a track. The more exclusively speech-like the recording (e.g. talk show, audio book, poetry), the closer to 1.0 the attribute value.

Instrumentalness: Predicts whether a track contains no vocals. “Ooh” and “aah” sounds are treated as instrumental in this context. Rap or spoken word tracks are clearly “vocal”.

Liveness: Detects the presence of an audience in the recording. Higher liveness values represent an increased probability that the track was performed live.

Acousticness: A confidence measure from 0.0 to 1.0 of whether the track is acoustic.

Key: The estimated overall key of the track. Integers map to pitches using standard Pitch Class notation . E.g. 0 = C, 1 = C#/D♭, 2 = D, and so on.

Mode: Indicates the modality (major or minor) of a track, the type of scale from which its melodic content is derived. Major is represented by 1 and minor is 0.

Duration: The duration of the track in milliseconds.

Time Signature: An estimated overall time signature of a track. The time signature (meter) is a notational convention to specify how many beats are in each bar (or measure).

Mini-Project Tasks

Overall: Develop a good model for predicting song popularity.

Sub-tasks:

1. Imputation
2. Develop Multiple Models
3. Use Ensembles
4. Go all out – everything is fair in this!

Mini-Project Evaluation: A 10 min presentation by your team + Kaggle Competition.