Big Data Analytics

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Classification



Classification (Chambers and Zaharia, 2018; Guller, 2015)

- Classification is a common type of supervised learning algorithm.
- It is a training algorithm for predicting a categorical label.
- Classification tasks can be grouped into:
 - Binary classification
 - Multiclass classification
 - Multilabel classification

Binary Classification

(Chambers and Zaharia, 2018; Guller, 2015)

- Binary classification is the most common.
- It classifies an observation into two labels which are positive and negative.
- Example:
 - Classify emails into a spam or not spam emails.



Multiclass Classification

(Chambers and Zaharia, 2018; Guller, 2015)

- Multiclass classification classifies an observation into one label where the label is chosen from more than two labels.
- Example:
 - Predicting the weather from rainy, sunny, cloudy, etc. labels

Multilabel Classification

(Chambers and Zaharia, 2018; Guller, 2015)

- Multilabel Classification predicts more than one label for the same observations.
- In other words, an input can produce multiple labels.
- Example:
 - A news article can be labelled as business and IT.

Classification Evaluation Example

(Guller, 2015; Medium, 2023)

- Accuracy refers to the number of correctly classified over the total number of data.
- It is calculated as:

$$Accuracy = \frac{TN + TP}{TN + FP + TP + FN}$$

where TN is true negative, TP is true positive, FN is false negative, and FP is false positive.

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- Precision refers to the number of actual positives over the total predicted positives.
- It is calculated as:

$$Precision = \frac{TP}{TP + FP}$$



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- Recall refers to the number of positives over the total actual positives.
- It is calculated as:

$$Recall = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

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- F1 measure is the harmonic mean of precision and recall. It shows a balance between precision and recall.
- It is calculated as:

$$F1\ Score = 2 * \frac{Precision * Recall}{Precision + Recall}$$

Classification (Chambers and Zaharia, 2018; Guller, 2015)

- Classification tasks in supervised learning algorithms are such as:
 - Logistic Regression
 - Decision Trees
 - Support Vector Machine (SVM)
 - Ensembles



- Logistic Regression combines inputs (features) with the weights (coefficients) to get the probability of the class.
- The weights help to represent the importance of the feature.
 - Large weight means the variations of features significantly affect the outcome.
 - Smaller weight means the feature is less important.
- SparkML for Logistic Regression can use the same set of parameters as the Linear Regression.



```
import library SparkSession
 import StringIndexer and VectorAssembler from
pyspark.ml.feature
# import LogisticRegression from
pyspark.ml.classification
 import MulticlassClassificationEvaluator from
pyspark.ml.evaluation
# import Pipeline from pyspark.ml
```

```
# Create SparkSession
# Load data file into Dataframe (FBLiveTH)
# Use StringIndexer to prepare data where the
columns status_type and status_published are used
as an input to create indexes (status_type_ind and
status_published_ind), then fit and transform
# Use VectorAssembler to create vector of
status_type_ind and status_published_ind resulting
in the column features
```

```
# Create logistic regression where the
status_type_ind is used as a label and
setMaxIter (set maximum iteration), setRegParam
(set regularisation parameter [0...1]), and
setElasticNetParam (set ElasticNet parameter
[0...1]) are also used
# Create a pipeline where the stages include
output from the vector assembler and the created
logistic regression
```

```
# Create train and test datasets using
randomSplit function where the output from
string indexer is used as an input
# Fit train data into the created pipeline to
create the pipeline model
# Use the created pipeline model to transform
test data resulting in the predictions Dataframe
# Show 5 rows of the predictions Dataframe
```

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```
# Use MulticlassClassificationEvaluator to
create the evaluator where the status_type_ind
is used as the label column and prediction
column is used as the prediction column
# Show accuracy (evaluator.evaluate(predictions,
{evaluator.metricName: "accuracy"})), precision
(metricName: "weightedPrecision"), recall
(metricName: "weightedRecall"), and F1 measure
(metricName: "f1")
```



- Decision Trees can be used for both regression and classification.
- Decision trees for regression create output that is a single number per leaf node.
- Decision trees for classification create output that is a label per leaf node.
- It simply creates a big tree of decisions.
- Thus, it is easy for decision making.
- However, it has high cost consumption.





```
# import library SparkSession
 import StringIndexer, VectorAssembler, and
OneHotEncoder from pyspark.ml.feature
# import DecisionTreeClassifier from
pyspark.ml.classification
# import MulticlassClassificationEvaluator from
pyspark.ml.evaluation
# import Pipeline from pyspark.ml
```

```
# Create SparkSession
# Load data file into Dataframe (FBLiveTH)
# Use StringIndexer to prepare data where the columns
status_type and status_published are used as inputs
to create indexes (status_type_ind and
status_published_ind)
```

Use OneHotEncoder to create Boolean flag of status_type_ind and status_published_ind as they will be used as a component of vector in the next steps.





```
# Use VectorAssembler to create vector of encoded
status_type_ind and status_published_ind resulting in
the column features
```

Create pipeline where the stages include output from string indexer, encoder, and vector assembler

Fit Dataframe into the created pipeline to create the pipeline model

Use the created pipeline model to transform the Dataframe data resulting in another Dataframe



Create train and test datasets using randomSplit function where the output from the previous step is used as an input

Create decision tree classification where the
status_type_ind is used as a label and the output is
features

Fit train data into the created decision tree to create the model

Use the created model to transform the test data resulting in a prediction Dataframe



```
# Use MulticlassClassificationEvaluator to
create the evaluator where the status_type_ind
is used as the label column and prediction
column is used as the prediction column
# Show accuracy, precision, recall (metricName:
"weightedRecall"), and F1 measure (metricName:
"f1")
# Also show the Test Error where it is
calculated as 1.0 - accuracy
```

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- Please implement the logistic regression and show the result to get 1 point.
- Please implement the decision tree classification and show the result to get 1 point.



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