

Ensemble Model – Term Deposits

Context:

This case is about a Portuguese bank wants to sell their term deposits. Using the collected from existing customers, build a model that will help the marketing team identify potential customers who are relatively more likely to subscribe term deposit and thus increase their hit ratio.

The data is related with direct marketing campaigns of a Portuguese banking institution. The marketing campaigns were based on phone calls. Often, more than one contact to the same client was required, in order to access if the product (bank term deposit) would be ('yes') or not ('no') subscribed.

There are four datasets:

1. bank-additional-full.csv with all examples (41188) and 20 inputs, ordered by date (from May 2008 to November 2010), very close to the data analyzed in [Moro et al., 2014]
2. bank-additional.csv with 10% of the examples (4119), randomly selected from 1), and 20 inputs.
3. bank-full.csv with all examples and 17 inputs, ordered by date (older version of this dataset with less inputs).
4. bank.csv with 10% of the examples and 17 inputs, randomly selected from 3 (older version of this dataset with less inputs).

The smallest datasets are provided to test more computationally demanding machine learning algorithms (e.g., SVM).

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Data reference:

The historical data for this project is available in file:

<https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Bank+Marketing>

Citation: [Moro et al., 2014] S. Moro, P. Cortez and P. Rita. A Data-Driven Approach to Predict the Success of Bank Telemarketing. Decision Support Systems, Elsevier, 62:22-31, June 2014

Domain: Financial Services

Attributes:

Bank Client Data:

- Age (numeric)
- Job : type of job (categorical: 'admin.', 'blue-collar', 'entrepreneur', 'housemaid', 'management', 'retired', 'self-employed', 'services', 'student', 'technician', 'unemployed', 'unknown')
- Marital : marital status (categorical: 'divorced', 'married', 'single', 'unknown'; note: 'divorced' means divorced or widowed)

- Education (categorical: 'basic.4y', 'basic.6y', 'basic.9y', 'high.school', 'illiterate', 'professional.course', 'university.degree', 'unknown')
- Default: has credit in default? (Categorical: 'no', 'yes', 'unknown')
- Housing: has housing loan? (categorical: 'no','yes','unknown')
- Loan: has personal loan? (categorical: 'no','yes','unknown')

related with the last contact of the current campaign:

- Contact: contact communication type (categorical: 'cellular','telephone')
 - Month: last contact month of year (categorical: 'jan', 'feb', 'mar', ..., 'nov', 'dec')
 - Day_of_week: last contact day of the week (categorical: mon', 'tue', 'wed', 'thu', 'fri')
 - Duration: last contact duration, in seconds (numeric).
- Important note: this attribute highly affects the output target (e.g., if duration=0 then y='no'). Yet, the duration is not known before a call is performed. Also, after the end of the call y is obviously known. Thus, this input should only be included for benchmark purposes and should be discarded if the intention is to have a realistic predictive model.

other attributes:

- Campaign: number of contacts performed during this campaign and for this client (numeric, includes last contact)
- pdays: number of days that passed by after the client was last contacted from a previous campaign (numeric; 999 means client was not previously contacted)
- previous: number of contacts performed before this campaign and for this client (numeric)
- poutcome: outcome of the previous marketing campaign (categorical: 'failure','nonexistent','success')

social and economic context attributes

- emp.var.rate: employment variation rate - quarterly indicator (numeric)
- cons.price.idx: consumer price index - monthly indicator (numeric)
- cons.conf.idx: consumer confidence index - monthly indicator (numeric)
- euribor3m: euribor 3 month rate - daily indicator (numeric)
- nr.employed: number of employees - quarterly indicator (numeric)

Output variable (desired target):

- y - has the client subscribed a term deposit? (binary: 'yes','no')

Key asks:

- Exploratory data quality report reflecting data cleanliness, uni-variate and multi-variate analysis
- Data transformation
- Build base model across multiple algorithms and assess performance
- Build the ensemble models and compare the results with the base model

Deliverables

Deliverable – 1 (Exploratory data quality report reflecting the following)

1. Univariate analysis
 - a. Univariate analysis – data types and description of the independent attributes which should include (name, meaning, range of values observed, central values (mean and median), standard deviation and quartiles, analysis of the body of distributions / tails, missing values, outliers.
2. Multivariate analysis
 - a. Bi-variate analysis between the predictor variables and target column. Comment on your findings in terms of their relationship and degree of relation if any. Presence of leverage points. Visualize the analysis using boxplots and pair plots, histograms or density curves. Select the most appropriate attributes.
3. Strategies to address the different data challenges such as data pollution, outliers and missing values.

Deliverable – 2 (Prepare the data for analytics)

1. Load the data into a data-frame. The data-frame should have data and column description.
2. Ensure the attribute types are correct. If not, take appropriate actions.
3. Transform the data i.e. scale / normalize if required
4. Create the training set and test set in ration of 70:30

Deliverable – 3 (create the ensemble model)

1. Write python code using scikitlearn, pandas, numpy and others in Jupyter notebook to train and test the ensemble model.
2. First create a model using standard classification algorithm. Note the model performance.
3. Use appropriate algorithms and explain why that algorithm in the comment lines.
4. Evaluate the model. Use confusion matrix to evaluate class level metrics i.e..Precision and recall. Also reflect the overall score of the model.
5. Advantages and disadvantages of the algorithm.
6. Build the ensemble models and compare the results with the base model. Note: Random forest can be used only with Decision trees.

Deliverable – 4 (Tuning the model)

1. Discuss some of the key hyper parameters available for the selected algorithm. What values did you initialize these parameters to?
2. Regularization techniques used for the model.
3. Range estimate at 95% confidence for the model performance in production.