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MACHINE LEARNING CS5014

Classification

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Goal

The goal of this practical is to analyse a dataset in order to produce a classification model that can make predictions based on a set of inputs.

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1 Loading Data

To load the data, the paths to the relevant files are supplied as arguments to the $_main__.py$ script. The pandas module was used to load the file contents into DataFrames.

A test set was isolated from the original data using an 80%-20% split. Stratification was used to ensure that all classes were represented in the training data.

2 Cleaning Data

When originally loading the CSV files the parameter to raise an exception on missing or extra columns was included, and so it could be assumed that all rows had the same number of columns. The dtype=float argument was also passed when loading the data to ensure that each column contained the expected numerical data. Any rows containing empty or NaN values were dropped from the dataset.

3 Data Visualisation and Analysis

The input CSV was understood to have the structure shown in figure 1 repeated once for each component (64 times) on each row.

C	componer	nt	Component			Component			Component		
Channel 1			Channel 2			Channel 3			Channel 4		
Mean	Min	Max	Mean	Min	Max	Mean	Min	Max	Mean	Min	Max

Figure 1: The repeated structure of the input CSV files.

- 3.1 Distributions
- 3.2 Relationships

4 Feature Selection

The practical specification mentions that the data was collected in a slightly different way to the RadarCat paper [1].

Similiar features

- 5 Model Selection and Training
- 5.1 Model 1
- 5.2 Model 2
- 6 Evaluation and Comparison
- 7 Discussion

References

[1] Hui-Shyong Yeo, Gergely Flamich, Patrick Schrempf, David Harris-Birtill, and Aaron Quigley. Radarcat: Radar categorization for input & interaction. pages 833–841, 10 2016.