Big Data and Automated Content Analysis Part I+II

Week 10 – Wednesday »Supervised Machine Learning II«

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In short: Validation data to *select* the best approach; test data to get the accuracy of the approach you chose.



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```
from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
from sklearn.naive bayes import MultinomialNB
nb = MultinomialNB() # the classifier we trained last week
scores = cross val score(nb, train features, [r[1] for r in reviews], cv
    =10)
print(scores)
```

results in:

```
[0.858 0.8612 0.8516 0.8528 0.8672 0.8664 0.8576 0.8652 0.8436 0.852 ]
```

In other words, we estimate the model 10 times on different trainig/validation data splits and get 10 different F1-scores (could be any other metric as well).

Cross-validation

Why would we want to do that?

- We could get some confidence interval around our scores
- Does not "waste" too much validation data
- ... and that's important for hyperparameter tuning

See for more info

https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/cross_validation.html



Finding the optimal (hyper-)parameters Grid-search

hyperparameter a parameter of a model that is not learned through training, but specified in advance

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- How to determine the best $C? \Rightarrow \text{grid search}$



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- But we can use it to test any combination of choices (example at https://scikit-learn.org/stable/auto_examples/ model_selection/grid_search_text_feature_ extraction.html)

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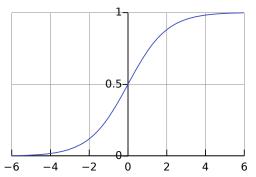
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- But GridSearchCV is very flexible: can be used in combination with pipeline (wait a minute...) for very different purposes



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From estimate to label



In logistic regression, we use the *sigmoid function* to transform the estimates into probabilities.

To transform the probabilities into binary labels, we use a cutoff (default: 0.5).



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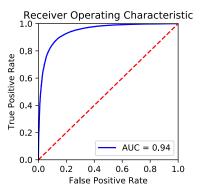


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Let's see what happens if we plot False Positives against True Positives (ROC-curve)



ROC Curve



- If we choose a threshold such that we get very little false positives, we also get too little true positives.
- Optimum in the upper left corner



So, how to we determine the exact value?

See notebook

https://github.com/damian0604/bdaca/tree/master/rm-course-2/week10/roccurve.ipynb



From feature set to final classification

Putting stuff together with pipelines

A pipeline

- Machine learning involves multiple steps (e.g., preprocessing

 → vectorizer → classification)
- We did all of them seperately
- Nothing wrong with that, but to ease use and evaluation of the whole process, we can define a pipeline.

Let's rewrite our example from last week as pipeline (and add cross-validation)

```
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer
vec = TfidfVectorizer()
clf = LogisticRegressionCV()
pipe = make_pipeline(vec, clf)

pipe.fit([r[0] for r in reviews], [r[1] for r in reviews])
predictions = pipe.predict([r[0] for r in test])
```

Pipeline takeaway

- In principle, just a different way to write what we already did
- The more steps, the more relevant (e.g., reprocessing → vectorizer → dimensionality-reduction → classification)
- The more you rely on automated evaluation (e.g., grid search) of *multiple* steps in the pipeline, the more useful it is

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We could just look at (sort) the coefficients from the classifier, but there's something better: eli5 ("Explain Like I'm Five")



-7.347 poor -8.341 boring -8.944 waste -8.976 bad -9.152 awful -12.749 worst

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(example using the classifier clf, vectorizer vec, and pipeline pipe from privious slides)

parts ways with crud and rot, this firm grounding redounds to great credit for writers and directors mark and michael polish.

From feature set to final classification Last suggestions

Balancing classes

Your classifier probably works better if you have approximately the same amount of annotated training data for both classes (e.g., pos/neg). If getting such data is not an option, you may consider weighing accordingly, e.g. using LogisticRegression(class weight='balanced')

Some further ideas to look into

More advanced pipelines

Consider constructing advanced pipelines, including a dimension reduction step:

https://scikit-learn.org/stable/tutorial/statistical_inference/putting_together.html

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Combine different feature sets

E.g, use BOW-features as well as features such as sentence length, number of sentences (or whatever)

https://scikit-learn.org/stable/auto_examples/hetero_feature union.html



Friday

No meeting (Easter break)

Next Wednesday: Unsupervised machine leraning 1

Principal Component Analysis, Clustering, and related techniques

Also (end of) next week: Take home exam!

