Weka and Machine Learning

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Outline

Weka

Machine Learning

Learners

Weka Stuff

Evaluation/Validation

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Intro

- Al that learns from data
 - Learn what spam looks likes to filter it out
- Classify data into types
 - Learning spam
- Cluster data by similarity
 - Finding messages that are similar to spam
- ► Find important and distinct properties of the data.
 - Viagra is a spam keyword!

Kinds of ML

- Supervised
 - we give it classified examples and hope it can classify more
- Unsupervised
 - labels unknown, let the algorithm find them
- Semi Supervised learning
 - labelled and unlablled.
- Reinforcement Learning
 - policies to reward the learner

Kinds of Learners

- Tree Based
 - ► C4.5 (J48)
 - ▶ Random Forest
 - Decision Tree
- Rule Learners
 - Ripper (jRip)
- Support Vector Machines
 - SVM/LibSVM
- Bayesian Nets

Weka Makes some disinction

- Bayes
- Functions
- Lazy
- Meta
- Misc
- ► Rules
- Trees

Learners operate on different classes and values

- Some learners are boolean (True/False)
- ► Some learners are class (A/B/C/..)
- ▶ Some learners learn counts (1,2,3,..)
- ▶ Some learners learn real functions (Y = b + ax)

ZeroR Learner

- The smartest monkey
- Always chooses the class with the largest number of entities
- Good as a base line.
- You have to beat ZeroR.

C4.5/J48

- Produces a decision tree
- ▶ The model is code and interpretable
- Sometimes trees are too big.
- each branch is a conditional
- each leaf is a class

JRip/Ripper

- ▶ learns and prunes a small set of rules
- copy & paste into code

Naive Bayes

- ► Asks the question what is the probability of this value belonging to this class?
- multiplies all of these probabilities together

Logistic Regression

- ► We've already discussed this
- ► Regression used for true false

K-NN

- nearest neighbor
- use euclidean distance to find the

ARFF Files

- Class should be the last element of the data
- Like CSV but with a type header
- ▶ String, Bool, Char, Class, Int, Float types
 - note different types for different types of jobs

Accuracy

- How many classifications were correct?
- ▶ If 90% of your data is 1 class you want better than 90% accuracy
- Bad for class imbalance

Kappa

- Cohen's Kappa
- like correlation
- agreement between classifier and actual data
- Very good for class imbalance

Precision

► How many of your classifications are right

Recall

- How much of the class did you find
- Might depend on the class
- You can have high precision for a class and have low recall

F-Measure

- ► Combination of Precision and Recall
- ► Geometric mean
- ► Can tune to one or the other

TP/FP Rate

- ► True Positives
- ► True Negatives
- Actual accuracy for all classes

ROC Area

- Area under the Receiver Operating Characteristic Curve
- We plot True Positive versus True Negative
- sensitivity (TPR) versus specificity (TNR)
- ► AUC ROC 0.5 garbage
- ▶ AUC ROC 0.7 good