Big Data: MLearning Classifiers Grid Search with Sparklyr and H2O-SWater

WHAT IS THIS ALL ABOUT?

H2O is a product created by the H2O.ai company to combine the main algorithms of machine learning and statistical learning with **Big Data**. Thanks to its way of compressing and storing data, H2O can work with millions of records in a single computer (it uses all its cores) or in a cluster of many computers. Internally, H2O is written in Java and follows the Key / Value paradigm for storing data and Map / Reduce for its algorithms. Thanks to its APIs, it is possible to access all its functions from R, Python, or Scala, as well as through a web interface called Flow.

Although H2O's main advantage over other tools is its scalability, its algorithms are equally useful when working with a small volume of data. H2O is an open source, distributed machine learning platform for Everyone. H2O is an alternative open-source cross-platform for machine learning that supports the most widely used statistical & machine learning algorithms including gradient boosted machines, generalized linear models, deep learning and more.

The rsparkling extension package provides bindings to H2O's distributed machine learning algorithms via sparklyr. In particular, rsparkling allows you to access the machine learning routines provided by the H2O Sparkling Water Spark package. The main purpose of rsparkling is to provide a connector between sparklyr and H2O's machine learning algorithms. The rsparkling package uses sparklyr for Spark job deployment and initialization of Sparkling Water. After that, user can use the regular h2o R package for modeling.

This present work is about an application and practical exposition of how to apply two classic Grid Search methods for tunning four (Glm, RandomForest, Gbm, Deeplearning) of the most frequently used machine learning models for classification, by using Sparklyr, rsparkling and H2O-Sparkling Water. The main results obtained are presented here, providing a clear guideline that identifies the classic steps in the modeling process, possible to adapt to any other equivalent database. The key functions and scripts used are proportionated, allowing the reader to consult the appropriate bibliography and tutorial examples clearly and directly.

You can get more specific information about the H2O machine learning models for classification used in this project in the following links:

Generalized Linear Model (Glm)
H2O documentation
R documentation
Random Forest (RandomForest)
H2O documentation
R documentation

Gradient Boosting Machine (Gbm) H2O documentation R documentation

Deep Learning - Neural Networks (Deeplearning)
H2O documentation
R documentation

An excellent clear practical explanation of the Grid Search methods used in this project can be found here. Even though in this video Kevin (the author) use examples based on Python, his concepts explanations are so clearly exposed that I decided to include it here without a doubt.

While in this project models are run on a small data set in a local spark cluster, these methods can be scaled, for the most part, for data analysis in a distributed Apache Spark cluster.

This project has been developed using sparklyr considering a local Spark cluster environment. The excellent online publications from the University of Chicago "MACS 305001 - Computing for the Social Sciences" in its derived chapter "Spark and sparklyr" and the great "Documentation About Sparkling Water" are both used as bibliographic source of support and consultation base.

DATA SOURCE

In this project I use a prostate cancer dataset which is included in the H2O package. The data was collected by Dr. Donn Young at the Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center for a study of patients with varying degrees of prostate cancer. You can download the dataset here. The classification goal is to predict the incidence of penetration of the prostatic capsule (CAPSULE) (variable y).

Note that, the dataset is not significant [380 rows x 8 columns] and you may think that the computation takes a long time. Spark is designed to process a considerable amount of data. Spark's performances increase relative to other machine learning libraries when the dataset processed grows larger.

LOADING THE DATA

```
# Clean memory and remove all fies
rm(list=ls())
# set working directory location for our project
mypath <- "path"</pre>
# set working directory
setwd (mypath)
# get current working directory
getwd()
# Load required minimum packages
library(rsparkling)
library(sparklyr)
library(tidyverse) # to get the whole tidyverse: dplyr, ggplot2 tibble, readr,
tidyr, purrr
library(reshape2)
library(gridExtra) #viewing multiple plots together
library(grid) # To use with tables
library(h2o)
```

```
h2o.init(ip = "localhost",
# Number of threads -1 means use all cores on your machine.
nthreads = -1)
# max mem size = "12G")  #max mem size is the maximum memory to allocate to H2O
#Cluster data is deleted in case it has already been started.
h2o.removeAll()
# Spark connection
sc <- spark connect(master = "local")</pre>
# Read data from web
path <- "http://h2o-public-test-</pre>
data.s3.amazonaws.com/smalldata/prostate/prostate.csv"
df raw <- read.csv(path)</pre>
glimpse(df raw)
Observations: 380
Variables: 9
           1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, ...
$ CAPSULE 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1,...
          65, 72, 70, 76, 69, 71, 68, 61, 69, 68, 68, 72, 72, 65, 75,...
$ RACE
           1, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 2, 2, 1, 2, 2, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 2, ...
$ DPROS
           2, 3, 1, 2, 1, 3, 4, 4, 1, 1, 4, 2, 4, 4, 1, 2, 1, 2, 1, 3,...
$ DCAPS
           1, 2, 2, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, ...
           1.4, 6.7, 4.9, 51.2, 12.3, 3.3, 31.9, 66.7, 3.9, 13.0, 4.0,...
$ PSA
           0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 20.0, 55.9, 0.0, 0.0, 27.2, 24.0, 0.0, 0.0, ...
$ GLEASON 6, 7, 6, 7, 6, 8, 7, 7, 7, 6, 7, 7, 9, 7, 5, 5, 5, 5, 6, 7,...
# copy our R data frame onto spark
df <- copy to(sc, df raw, name = "df")</pre>
# to see tables in "sc"
src tbls(sc)
Output:
[1] "df"
```

READJUSTMENT DATASET GETTING DATASET INTO H20 FORMAT

```
# Getting mydata tbl into H2O format.
h2o df <- as.h2o(df, destination frame = "h2o df")
h2o df
Output:
 ID CAPSULE AGE RACE DPROS DCAPS PSA VOL GLEASON
1 1 0 65 1 2 1 1.4 0.0 6
         0 72 1
0 70 1
0 76 2
0 69 1
                             2 6.7 0.0
2 4.9 0.0
3 3
                        1
                              1 51.2 20.0
                              1 12.3 55.9
                        1
          1 71
                 1
                        3
                             2 3.3 0.0
[380 rows x 9 columns]
```

Now we have readjusted mydata_tbl dataset to be incorporated into the H2o format for machine learning models. We isolate the model's dependent variable (y) and turn all the categorical features into numbers that represent factors.

When fitting a model, H2O automatically identifies which variables are categorical and internally creates the corresponding dummy variables. It is highly recommended to allow H2O to carry out this process instead of doing it externally since its implementation is highly optimized. The behavior of the encoding of categorical variables can be controlled with the argument categorical_encoding, by default, its value is "AUTO".

By default, H2O standardizes numerical predictors before adjusting the models so that they all have mean zero and variance one. This behavior can be controlled with the "standardize" argument

```
y <- "CAPSULE"
x <- setdiff(names(h2o_df), y)
h2o_df[,y] <- as.factor(h2o_df[,y])
h2o_df[,"RACE" ] <- as.factor(h2o_df[,"RACE" ])
h2o_df[,"DCAPS" ] <- as.factor(h2o_df[,"DCAPS" ])
h2o_df[,"DPROS" ] <- as.factor(h2o_df[,"DPROS" ])</pre>
```

Although the data set used in this project is small enough to load everything in memory and directly use the magnificent possibilities of exploratory analysis that R offers, to better represent the way to proceed with large volumes of data, now, by way of example, we use some of H2O's own functions.

EXPLORING THE DATA

Although the data set used in this example is small enough to load everything into memory and directly use the magnificent possibilities of exploratory analysis that R offers, to better represent the way to proceed with large volumes of data, H2O's functions are used.

We can get a quick overview of the data and its structure. The "h2o.describe ()" function is very useful to obtain a quick analysis that shows the data type, the number of missing values, the minimum, maximum, mean value, standard deviation, and the number of categories (Cardinality) of each one of variables. H2O uses the name "enum" for data of type factor or character.

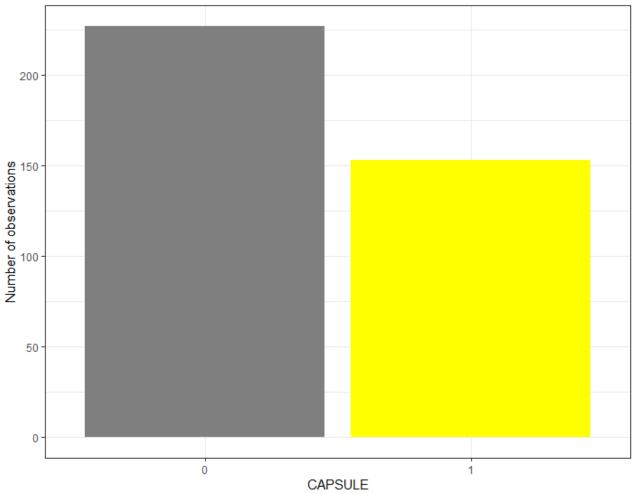
```
h2o.describe(h2o_df)
Output:
Label Type Missing Zeros PosInf NegInf Min Max Mean Sigma
Cardinality
1 ID int 0 0 0 1.0 380.0 190.5000000 109.8407939
NA
```

2	CAPSULE	enum	0	227	0	0	0.0	1.0	0.4026316	0.4910743	
3	AGE	int	0	0	0	0	43.0	79.0	66.0394737	6.5270713	
NA 4	RACE	enum	0	3	0	0	0.0	2.0	NA	NA	
3 5	DPROS	enum	0	99	0	0	0.0	3.0	NA	NA	
6	DCAPS	enum	0	339	0	0	0.0	1.0	0.1078947	0.3106564	
2 7	PSA	real	0	0	0	0	0.3	139.7	15.4086316	19.9975727	
NA 8	VOL	real	0	167	0	0	0.0	97.6	15.8129211	18.3476200	
NA 9	GLEASON	int	0	2	0	0	0.0	9.0	6.3842105	1.0919534	
NA											

To count the number of observations of each class in a categorical variable, as in this case the response variable CAPSULE, the h2o.table () function is used.

```
# A table is created with the number of observations of each type.
tabla_CAPSULE <- as.data.frame(h2o.table(h2o_df$CAPSULE))</pre>
tabla CAPSULE
Output:
 CAPSULE Count
     0 227
# Once the table is created, it can be loaded into the R environment to be able
to graph.
ggplot(data = tabla_CAPSULE,
        aes(x = as.factor(CAPSULE), y = Count, fill = as.factor(CAPSULE))) +
        geom col() +
        scale_fill_manual(values = c("gray50", "yellow")) +
        theme bw() +
        labs(x = "CAPSULE", y = "Number of observations", title = "Distribution")
of the Salary variable") +
        theme(legend.position = "none")
```

Distribution of the Salary variable



GETTING THE TRAIN AND TEST DATASET GETTING TRAIN AND TEST DATASETS

The h2o.splitFrame () function performs random partitions, but it does not allow them to do them in a stratified way, so it does not ensure that the distribution of response variable classes is the same in all partitions. This can be problematic with very unbalanced data (some of the groups are very minority).

In the case of unbalanced data, the base should be adjusted in advance according to traditional methods that allow more effective modeling.

```
# split our data set into 'training', 'test'
partitions <- h2o.splitFrame(h2o_df, 0.7, seed = 2020)
# Create table references
train <-partitions[[1]]
test <-partitions[[2]]</pre>
```

GRID SEARCH GENERALITIES INTRODUCTION

Grid-searching is the process of scanning the data to configure optimal parameters for a given model. Grid-searching can be applied across machine learning to calculate the best parameters to use for any given model. Grid-Search will build a model on each parameter combination possible. It iterates through every parameter combination and stores a model for each combination.

Even though grid-search is used to find the optimal hyperparameters of a model which results in the most 'accurate' predictions, It is important to note that it can be extremely computationally expensive and may take your machine quite a long time to run.

There are many hyperparameter optimization/tuning algorithms, but the two most common strategies are: cartesian grid search (or grid search) and random gid search.

CARTESIAN AND RANDOM GRID SEARCHING OF HYPERPARAMETERS

The cartesian grid search (or grid search, by short) methodically build and evaluate a model for each combination of algorithm parameters specified in a grid.

For instance, if you have three hyperparameters H1, H2, and H3, and each of them can take on 10, 20, and 10 values, respectively, your grid will contain a total of 10 * 20 * 10 = 2000 models.

Cartesian Grid Search, the default grid search method in H2o, exhaustively searches over all possible combinations of the hyperparameters. *If the search space is small, this should be your method of choice*.

Random search differs from a cartesian search in that you no longer provide a discrete set of values to explore for each hyperparameter; rather, you provide a statistical distribution for each hyperparameter from which values may be randomly sampled. That is to say, Random Search replaces the exhaustive enumeration of all combinations by selecting them randomly.

The idea of random searching of hyperparameters was proposed by James Bergstra & Yoshua Bengio. You can check the original paper here.

In a random grid search a random combination of hyperparameters (H2O will sample uniformly from the set of all possible hyperparameter value combinations) are tested instead of exhaustively testing all possible combinations. Also, the user specifies a stopping criterion, which controls when the random grid search is completed. The user can tell the random grid search to stop by specifying a maximum number of models or the maximum number of seconds allowed for the search. The user may also specify a performance-metric-based stopping criterion, which will stop the random grid search when the performance stops improving by a specified amount. *If your search space is large, this should be your method of choice*.

GRID SEARCH MODELING
MODEL: LOGISTIC REGRESSION (LR_model)
CARTESIAN GRID SEARCH

Grid Search Train / Test dataset procedure

GLM hyperparameters

```
alpha_opts = list(list(0), list(.25), list(.5), list(.75), list(1))
lambda_opts = list(list(1), list(.5), list(.1), list(.01), list(.001),
list(.0001), list(.00001), list(0))
glm_params <- list(alpha = alpha_opts, lambda = lambda_opts)</pre>
```

Train and validate a grid of GLMs

Get the grid results, sorted by validation AUC

```
glm gridperf1 <- h2o.getGrid(grid id = "glm grid1",</pre>
                             sort by = "auc",
                             decreasing = TRUE)
glm gridperf1
Output:
H2O Grid Details
_____
Grid ID: glm grid1
Used hyper parameters:
 - alpha
- lambda
Number of models: 40
Number of failed models: 0
Hyper-Parameter Search Summary: ordered by decreasing auc
  alpha lambda
                         model ids
1 [0.0] [0.01] glm grid1 model 16 0.7852855477855478
2 [0.75] [0.001] glm grid1 model 24 0.78522727272728
3 [1.0] [0.001] glm grid1 model 25 0.78522727272728
4 [0.5] [0.001] glm grid1 model 23 0.7851689976689976
5 [0.5] [0.01] glm_grid1_model_18 0.7848776223776223
   alpha lambda
                         model ids auc
35 [0.25] [1.0] glm_grid1_model_2 0.5
         [1.0] glm_grid1_model_3 0.5 [1.0] glm_grid1_model_4 0.5
37 [0.75]
38 [1.0] [1.0] glm grid1 model 5 0.5
39 [0.5] [0.5] glm grid1 model 8 0.5
40 [0.75] [0.5] glm grid1 model 9 0.5
```

Grid Search KFold Cross Validation procedure

Train and validate a grid of GLMs

Get the grid results, sorted by validation AUC

```
glm_gridperf2 <- h2o.getGrid(grid_id = "glm_grid2",</pre>
                                 sort by = "auc",
                                 decreasing = TRUE)
glm gridperf2
Output:
H2O Grid Details
_____
Grid ID: glm grid2
Used hyper parameters:
  - alpha
  - lambda
Number of models: 40
Number of failed models: 0
Hyper-Parameter Search Summary: ordered by decreasing auc
   alpha lambda model_ids
1 [0.0] [0.01] glm_grid2_model_16 0.7859549105986007
2 [0.0] [0.1] glm_grid2_model_11 0.7848895799141977
3 [0.75] [0.001] glm_grid2_model_24 0.784659238144597
4 [0.5] [0.001] glm_grid2_model_23 0.7845728599809968
5 [1.0] [0.001] glm grid2 model 25 0.7845440672597966
    alpha lambda
                           model ids
35 [0.25] [1.0] glm grid2 model 2 0.43675678788402295
36 [0.5] [1.0] glm grid2 model 3 0.43675678788402295
37 [0.75] [1.0] glm_grid2_model_4 0.43675678788402295
38 [1.0] [1.0] glm_grid2_model_5 0.43675678788402295
39 [0.5] [0.5] glm_grid2_model_8 0.43675678788402295
40 [0.75] [0.5] glm_grid2_model_9 0.43675678788402295
```

RANDOM GRID SEARCH

Random Grid Search Train / Test dataset procedure

GLM hyperparameters

Train and validate a grid of GLMs

```
# Get the grid results, sorted by validation auc
glm_gridperf3 <- h2o.getGrid(grid id = "glm grid3",</pre>
                                  sort by = "auc",
                                  decreasing = TRUE)
glm gridperf3
# Output
H2O Grid Details
______
Grid ID: glm grid3
Used hyper parameters:
  alphalambda
Number of models: 40
Number of failed models: 0
Hyper-Parameter Search Summary: ordered by decreasing auc
   alpha lambda model ids
1 [0.0] [0.01] glm grid3 model 12 0.7852855477855478
2 [0.75] [0.001] glm grid3 model 22 0.7852272727272728
3 [1.0] [0.001] glm grid3 model 35 0.78522727272728
4 [0.5] [0.001] glm grid3 model 1 0.7851689976689976
5 [0.5] [0.01] glm_grid3_model_28 0.7848776223776223
    alpha lambda
                              model ids auc
35 [0.5] [1.0] glm_grid3_model_19 0.5
36 [1.0] [1.0] glm_grid3_model_24 0.5

37 [0.75] [1.0] glm_grid3_model_32 0.5

38 [0.75] [0.5] glm_grid3_model_34 0.5

39 [1.0] [0.5] glm_grid3_model_4 0.5

40 [0.5] [0.5] glm_grid3_model_5 0.5
```

Grid Search KFold Cross Validation procedure

Train and validate a grid of GLMs

```
lambda
Number of models: 40
Number of failed models: 0
Hyper-Parameter Search Summary: ordered by decreasing auc
  alpha lambda model ids
 [0.0] [0.01] glm grid4 model 13 0.7859549105986007
2 [0.0] [0.1] glm grid4 model 8 0.7848895799141977
3 [0.75] [0.001] glm_grid4_model_36  0.784659238144597
4 [0.5] [0.001] glm_grid4_model_33 0.7845728599809968
5 [1.0] [0.001] glm_grid4_model_30 0.7845440672597966
    alpha lambda
                          model ids
35 [0.5] [1.0] glm_grid4_model_17 0.43675678788402295
36 [0.75] [1.0] glm_grid4_model_25 0.43675678788402295
37 [0.5] [0.5] glm grid4 model 3 0.43675678788402295
38 [0.75] [0.5] glm_grid4_model_31 0.43675678788402295
39 [0.25] [1.0] glm grid4 model 32 0.43675678788402295
40 [1.0] [0.5] glm grid4 model 37 0.43675678788402295
```

MODEL: RANDOM FOREST (RForest_model) CARTESIAN GRID SEARCH

Grid Search Train / Test dataset procedure

RForest hyperparameters

Train and validate a grid of RFs

```
Hyper-Parameter Search Summary: ordered by decreasing auc
  mtries ntrees sample_rate
                                    model ids
      3 50 0.55 rf_grid1_model_2 0.6836247086247086
3 100 0.55 rf_grid1_model_5 0.6831876456876457
             100
                         0.632 rf grid1 model 16 0.6830710955710956
              50
                        0.632 rf grid1 model 13 0.6821095571095571
              200
                         0.55 rf grid1_model_11 0.6809440559440559
   mtries ntrees sample rate
                                           model ids
     4 100 0.75 rf_grid1_model_30 0.6580419580419581
                            0.55 rf_grid1_model_1 0.6574009324009323
                     0.75 rf_grid1_mode1_32 0.6561771561771562

0.75 rf_grid1_mode1_36 0.6552738927738928

0.75 rf_grid1_mode1_33 0.6528846153846154

0.75 rf_grid1_mode1_25 0.6500874125874126
33
               150
34
               200
35
               150
36
               50
```

Grid Search KFold Cross Validation procedure

Train and validate a grid of RFs

```
rf gridperf2 <- h2o.getGrid(grid id = "rf grid2",
                       sort by = "auc",
                       decreasing = TRUE)
rf gridperf2
Output:
H2O Grid Details
Grid ID: rf grid2
Used hyper parameters:
 - mtries
 - ntrees
 - sample_rate
Number of models: 36
Number of failed models: 0
Hyper-Parameter Search Summary: ordered by decreasing auc
 2 200 0.55 rf_grid2_model_10 0.7319973510696496
                 0.55 rf_grid2_model 7 0.7283694681984395
2
         150
              0.55 rf_grid2_model_4 0.7271025884656359
        100
                0.55 rf grid2 model 1 0.7248279634908296
         50
5
        200
                 0.55 rf grid2 model 11 0.7229420402522242
 mtries ntrees sample_rate
                            model ids
```

```
32
             150
                        0.75 rf grid2 model 32 0.7037372952117704
33
        4
             50
                        0.75 rf grid2 model 27 0.701793786530765
34
             100
                        0.75 rf grid2 model 30 0.7011315539431632
35
             150
                        0.75 rf grid2 model 33 0.7003973395525611
                        0.75 rf grid2 model 36 0.6989577034925571
36
             200
```

RANDOM GRID SEARCH

Random Grid Search Train / Test dataset procedure

Train and validate a grid of RFs

```
# Get the grid results, sorted by validation auc
rf gridperf3 <- h2o.getGrid(grid id = "rf grid3",</pre>
                           sort_by = "auc",
                           decreasing = TRUE)
rf gridperf3
# Output
H2O Grid Details
_____
Grid ID: rf grid3
Used hyper parameters:
 - mtries
 - ntrees
 - sample_rate
Number of models: 36
Number of failed models: 0
Hyper-Parameter Search Summary: ordered by decreasing auc
                     mtries ntrees sample rate
      3
          50
2
                    0.55 \text{ rf grid3 model } 4 \text{ } 0.6831876456876457
           100
                   0.632 rf grid3 model 30 0.6830710955710956
3
           100
                   0.632 rf_grid3 model 8 0.6821095571095571
4
          50
5
                   0.55 rf grid3 model 15 0.6809440559440559
          200
 mtries ntrees sample rate
                                 model ids
31
     4 100 0.75 rf_grid3_model_12 0.6580419580419581
            50
32
                     0.55 rf grid3 model 26 0.6574009324009323
33
           150
                     0.75 rf_grid3_model_16 0.6561771561771562
      4 200
34
                     0.75 rf_grid3_model_13 0.6552738927738928
35
      4 150
                      0.75 rf_grid3_model_6 0.6528846153846154
                      0.75 rf_grid3_model_5 0.6500874125874126
36
```

Grid Search KFold Cross Validation procedure

Train and validate a grid of RFs

Get the grid results, sorted by validation AUC

```
rf gridperf4 <- h2o.getGrid(grid_id = "rf_grid4",</pre>
                         sort by = "auc",
                         decreasing = TRUE)
rf gridperf4
Output:
H2O Grid Details
Grid ID: rf grid4
Used hyper parameters:
 - mtries
 - ntrees
 - sample rate
Number of models: 36
Number of failed models: 0
Hyper-Parameter Search Summary: ordered by decreasing auc
 mtries ntrees sample rate model ids
         2 100
4
                  0.55 rf grid4 model 30 0.7248279634908296
5
                   0.55 rf grid4 model 36 0.7229420402522242
     3 200
 mtries ntrees sample rate
                                model ids
     3 200 0.75 rf_grid4_model_15 0.7043563387175722
           150
                    0.75 rf grid4 model 32 0.7037372952117704
32
33
           50
                    0.75 rf_grid4_model_2 0.701793786530765
      4
           100
34
                    0.75 rf_grid4_model_19 0.7011315539431632
35
      4 150
                    0.75 rf grid4 model 26 0.7003973395525611
           200
                    0.75 rf grid4 model 7 0.6989577034925571
```

MODEL: GRADIENT BOOSTING MACHINE (GBM_model)

CARTESIAN GRID SEARCH

Grid Search Train / Test dataset procedure

GBM hyperparameters

```
sample_rate = c(0.8, 1.0))
```

Train and validate a grid of GBMs

```
gbm grid <- h2o.grid("gbm", y = "CAPSULE", x = c("AGE", "RACE", "PSA",</pre>
"GLEASON"),
                      grid id = "gbm grid1",
                      training frame= train,
                      ignore const cols = TRUE,
                      # Early stop
                      score_tree_interval = 100,
                      stopping_rounds = 3,
                      stopping_tolerance = 0.001,
                      # Fixed hyperparameters
                      ntrees = 100,
                      # Optimized hyperparameters
                      hyper_params = gbm_params,
                      # Search type
                      search criteria = list(strategy = "Cartesian"),
                      seed = 2020)
```

Get the grid results, sorted by validation AUC

```
gbm gridperf1 <- h2o.getGrid(grid id = "gbm grid1",</pre>
                        sort_by = "auc",
                        decreasing = TRUE)
gbm_gridperf1
Output
H2O Grid Details
_____
Grid ID: gbm grid1
Used hyper parameters:
 - learn_rate
 - max depth
 - sample rate
Number of models: 24
Number of failed models: 0
Hyper-Parameter Search Summary: ordered by decreasing auc
 0.1 20 1.0 gbm_grid1_model_24 0.9996794871794872
2
       0.1
                15
                         1.0 gbm_grid1_model_21 0.9994463869463869
                         3
       0.1
                10
       0.1
5
       0.1
                15
 learn rate max_depth sample_rate
                                      model ids
    0.001 15
19
                          0.8 gbm grid1 model 7 0.8703088578088579
      0.001
                          0.8 gbm grid1 model 1 0.867511655011655
20
21
      0.001
                 5
                          1.0 gbm grid1 model 13 0.8423368298368299
22
      0.001
                 10
                          1.0 gbm grid1 model 16 0.8423368298368299
23
      0.001
                 15
                          1.0 gbm grid1 model 19 0.8423368298368299
                 20
24
      0.001
                           1.0 gbm grid1 model 22 0.8423368298368299
```

Grid Search KFold Cross Validation procedure Train and validate a grid of GBMs

```
gbm grid <- h2o.grid("gbm", y = "CAPSULE", x = c("AGE", "RACE", "PSA",
"GLEASON"),
                      grid id = "gbm grid2",
                      training frame= h2o df,
                      ignore const cols = TRUE,
                      nfolds = 10,
                      fold assignment="Stratified", # can be "AUTO", "Modulo",
"Random" or "Stratified"
                      # Early stop
                      score tree interval = 100,
                      stopping_rounds = 3,
                      stopping_tolerance = 0.001,
                      # Fixed hyperparameters
                      ntrees = 100,
                      # Optimized hyperparameters
                      hyper_params = gbm_params,
                      # Search type
                      search criteria = list(strategy = "Cartesian"),
                      seed = 2020)
```

Get the grid results, sorted by validation AUC

```
gbm gridperf2 <- h2o.getGrid(grid id = "gbm grid2",</pre>
                            sort_by = "auc",
                             decreasing = TRUE)
gbm gridperf2
Output
H2O Grid Details
_____
Grid ID: gbm grid2
Used hyper parameters:
 - learn_rate
 - max depth
 - sample rate
Number of models: 24
Number of failed models: 0
Hyper-Parameter Search Summary: ordered by decreasing auc
 learn rate max_depth sample_rate
                                           model ids
      0.05 5 1.0 gbm_grid2_model_14 0.741081454608275
                             0.8 gbm_grid2_model_1 0.7371224554432639
0.8 gbm_grid2_model_2 0.7367193573464629
0.8 gbm_grid2_model_5 0.7359995393164609
      0.001
                   5
10
       0.05
       0.05
                             0.8 gbm grid2_model_11 0.7358843684316605
5
                  20
 learn_rate max_depth sample_rate
                                            model ids
    0.001 15 1.0 gbm_grid2_model_19 0.7140882784831994
19
       0.001
                    20
                              1.0 gbm grid2 model 22 0.7140882784831994
20
        0.001
0.1
0.1
0.1
21
                   10
                              1.0 gbm grid2 model 18 0.7123607152111947
22
                   20
                              1.0 gbm grid2 model 24 0.7085888687339841
23
                   10
                              0.8 gbm grid2 model 6 0.7085888687339841
        0.1
                            1.0 gbm_grid2_model_21 0.7068037200195791
2.4
                    15
```

RANDOM GRID SEARCH

Random Grid Search Train / Test dataset procedure

```
search_criteria <- list(strategy = "RandomDiscrete",</pre>
```

```
max_models = 50)
```

Train and validate a grid of GBMs

```
gbm_grid <- h2o.grid("gbm", y = "CAPSULE", x = c("AGE", "RACE", "PSA",
"GLEASON"),
                      grid id = "gbm_grid3",
                      training frame= train,
                      ignore const cols = TRUE,
                      #nfolds = 10,
                      #fold assignment="Stratified", # can be "AUTO", "Modulo",
"Random" or "Stratified"
                      # Early stop
                      score_tree_interval = 100,
                      stopping rounds = 3,
                      stopping tolerance = 0.001,
                      # Fixed hyperparameters
                      ntrees = 100,
                      # Optimized hyperparameters
                      hyper params = gbm params,
                      # Search type
                      search criteria = search criteria,
                      seed = 2020)
```

```
gbm gridperf3 <- h2o.getGrid(grid id = "gbm grid3",</pre>
                             sort by = "auc"
                             decreasing = TRUE)
gbm_gridperf3
Output
H2O Grid Details
_____
Grid ID: gbm_grid3
Used hyper parameters:
  - learn rate
  - max_depth
  - sample rate
Number of models: 24
Number of failed models: 0
Hyper-Parameter Search Summary: ordered by decreasing auc
                                           model ids
  learn_rate max_depth sample_rate
        0.1 20 1.0 gbm_grid3_model_13 0.9996794871794872
0.1 15 1.0 gbm_grid3_model_9 0.9994463869463869
2
3
        0.1
                  10
                             1.0 gbm grid3 model 10 0.999067599067599
        0.1
                  15
                             0.8 gbm grid3 model 14 0.995425407925408
5
                  20
        0.1
                             0.8 gbm grid3 model 15 0.995425407925408
 learn rate max depth sample rate
                                            model ids
19
    0.001 10 0.8 gbm_grid3_model_6 0.8703088578088579
                   5
5
                               0.8 gbm_grid3_model_3 0.867511655011655
20
       0.001
                               1.0 gbm_grid3_model_11 0.8423368298368299 1.0 gbm_grid3_model_12 0.8423368298368299
21
       0.001
                    10
22
       0.001
                   15
       0.001
                             1.0 gbm_grid3_model_16 0.8423368298368299
23
                               1.0 gbm_grid3_model_23 0.8423368298368299
24
       0.001
                    20
```

```
search criteria <- list(strategy = "RandomDiscrete",</pre>
                           max models = 50)
```

Train and validate a grid of GBMs

```
qbm grid <- h2o.grid("qbm", y = "CAPSULE", x = c("AGE", "RACE", "PSA",
"GLEASON"),
                      grid id = "gbm grid4",
                      training frame= h2o df,
                      ignore const cols = TRUE,
                      nfolds = 10,
                      fold assignment="Stratified", # can be "AUTO", "Modulo",
"Random" or "Stratified"
                      # Early stop
                      score tree interval = 100,
                      stopping rounds = 3,
                      stopping tolerance = 0.001,
                      # Fixed hyperparameters
                      ntrees = 100,
                      # Optimized hyperparameters
                      hyper_params = gbm_params,
                      # Search type
                      search criteria = search criteria,
                      seed = 2020)
```

```
gbm gridperf4 <- h2o.getGrid(grid_id = "gbm_grid4",</pre>
                                 sort_by = "auc",
                                 decreasing = TRUE)
gbm gridperf4
Output
H2O Grid Details
_____
Grid ID: gbm gri4
Used hyper parameters:
  - learn rate
  max_depthsample_rate
Number of models: 24
Number of failed models: 0
Hyper-Parameter Search Summary: ordered by decreasing auc
  learn rate max depth sample rate model ids
       0.05 5 1.0 gbm_grid4_model_15 0.741081454608275

0.001 5 0.8 gbm_grid4_model_23 0.7371224554432639

0.05 5 0.8 gbm_grid4_model_9 0.7367193573464629

0.05 10 0.8 gbm_grid4_model_6 0.7359995393164609
2
3
                    10
        0.05
                                 0.8 gbm grid4 model 6 0.7359995393164609
        0.05
                    20
                                 0.8 gbm grid4 model 17 0.7358843684316605
                                                 model_ids
  learn rate max depth sample rate
     0.001 15 1.0 gbm_grid4_model_18 0.7140882784831994 0.001 20 1.0 gbm_grid4_model_22 0.7140882784831994
20
                      10
                                   1.0 gbm grid4 model_5 0.7123607152111947
21
          0.1
          0.1
0.1
                      20
22
                                   1.0 gbm_grid4_model_19 0.7085888687339841
23
                      10
                                  0.8 gbm grid4 model 7 0.7085888687339841
24
          0.1
                       15
                                   1.0 gbm grid4 model 14 0.7068037200195791
```

MODEL: DEEP LEARNING - NEURAL NETWORKS (DL_model)

CARTESIAN GRID SEARCH

Grid Search Train / Test dataset procedure

DL hyperparameters

Train and validate a grid of DLs

```
dl grid <- h2o.grid(</pre>
                      # Algorithm
                      algorithm="deeplearning",
                      activation=c("RectifierWithDropout"),
                      epochs=500,
                      #adaptive rate = FALSE,
                      # Response variable and predictors
                      y = "CAPSULE",
                      x = c("AGE", "RACE", "PSA", "GLEASON"),
                      grid id = "dl grid1",
                      # Training data
                      training frame= train,
                      shuffle training data = FALSE,
                      # Preprocessed
                      standardize = TRUE,
                      missing_values_handling = "Skip",
                      ignore const cols = TRUE,
                      # Early stop
                      stopping_metric="AUC",
                      stopping tolerance= 0.01,
                      stopping rounds = 3,
                      # Regularization
                      11=1e-5,
                      12=1e-5,
                      # Optimized hyperparameters
                      hyper_params = dl_params,
                      # Search type
                      search criteria = list(strategy = "Cartesian"),
                      seed = 2020)
```

```
dl gridperf1 <- h2o.getGrid(grid id = "dl grid1",</pre>
                             sort by = "auc",
                             decreasing = TRUE)
dl gridperf1
Output
H2O Grid Details
Grid ID: dl grid1
Used hyper parameters:
 - hidden
Number of models: 9
Number of failed models: 0
Hyper-Parameter Search Summary: ordered by decreasing auc
               model ids
    hidden
    [1024] dl_grid6_model_5 0.8193181818181818
       [512] dl grid6 model 4 0.8131410256410256
```

```
3 [256] dl_grid6_model_3 0.8083041958041959
4 [256, 256] dl_grid6_model_8 0.8052156177156178
5 [128] dl_grid6_model_2 0.8037004662004663
6 [512, 512] dl_grid6_model_9 0.8035256410256411
7 [128, 128] dl_grid6_model_7 0.8032342657342657
8 [64] dl_grid6_model_1 0.8026515151515151
9 [64, 64] dl_grid6_model_6 0.8010780885780886
```

Grid Search KFold Cross Validation procedure Train and validate a grid of GBMs

```
dl grid <- h2o.grid(</pre>
                      # Algorithm
                      algorithm="deeplearning",
                      activation=c("RectifierWithDropout"),
                      epochs=500,
                      #adaptive_rate = FALSE,
                      # Response variable and predictors
                      y = "CAPSULE",
                      x = c ("AGE", "RACE", "PSA", "GLEASON"),
                      grid id = "dl grid2",
                      # Training data
                      training frame= h2o df,
                      shuffle_training_data = FALSE,
                      # Cross Validation
                      nfolds = 10,
                      fold assignment="Stratified", # can be "AUTO", "Modulo",
"Random" or "Stratified"
                      # Preprocessed
                      standardize = TRUE,
                      missing_values handling = "Skip",
                      ignore_const_cols = TRUE,
                      # Early stop
                      stopping metric="AUC",
                      stopping tolerance= 0.01,
                      stopping rounds = 3,
                      # Regularization
                      11=1e-5,
                      12=1e-5,
                      # Optimized hyperparameters
                      hyper params = dl params,
                      # Search type
                      search criteria = list(strategy = "Cartesian"),
                      seed = 2020)
```

```
Hyper-Parameter Search Summary: ordered by decreasing auc hidden model_ids auc

1 [64, 64] dl_grid2_model_6 0.7866171431862025
2 [64] dl_grid2_model_1 0.7848319944717975
3 [256] dl_grid2_model_3 0.7813192824853876
4 [128] dl_grid2_model_2 0.7697446085629552
5 [512] dl_grid2_model_4 0.765022602286142
6 [128, 128] dl_grid2_model_7 0.7602718032881288
7 [512, 512] dl_grid2_model_9 0.7557513460597161
8 [1024] dl_grid2_model_5 0.7545996372117129
9 [256, 256] dl_grid2_model_8 0.7353373067288589
```

RANDOM GRID SEARCH

Random Grid Search Train / Test dataset procedure

Train and validate a grid of DLs

```
dl grid <- h2o.grid(</pre>
                       # Algorithm
                      algorithm="deeplearning",
                      activation=c("RectifierWithDropout"),
                      epochs=500,
                      #adaptive rate = FALSE,
                      # Response variable and predictors
                      y = "CAPSULE",
                      x = c("AGE", "RACE", "PSA", "GLEASON"),
                      grid_id = "dl_grid3",
                       # Training data
                      training frame= train,
                      shuffle training data = FALSE,
                       # Preprocessed
                      standardize = TRUE,
                      missing values handling = "Skip",
                      ignore_const_cols = TRUE,
                      # Early stop
                      stopping metric="AUC",
                      stopping_tolerance= 0.01,
                      stopping rounds = 3,
                      # Regularization
                      11=1e-5,
                      12=1e-5,
                      # Optimized hyperparameters
                      hyper params = dl params,
                       # Search type
                      search criteria = search criteria,
                      seed = 2020)
```

```
Grid ID: dl_grid3
Used hyper parameters:
    - hidden
Number of models: 9
Number of failed models: 0

Hyper-Parameter Search Summary: ordered by decreasing auc hidden model_ids auc
1 [1024] dl_grid6_model_5 0.8193181818181818
2 [512] dl_grid6_model_4 0.8131410256410256
3 [256] dl_grid6_model_3 0.8083041958041959
4 [256, 256] dl_grid6_model_8 0.8052156177156178
5 [128] dl_grid6_model_8 0.8052156177156178
5 [128] dl_grid6_model_9 0.8035256410256411
7 [128, 128] dl_grid6_model_9 0.8035256410256411
7 [128, 128] dl_grid6_model_1 0.8026515151515151
9 [64, 64] dl_grid6_model_1 0.8026515151515151
9 [64, 64] dl_grid6_model_6 0.8010780885780886
```

Random Grid Search KFold Cross Validation procedure

Train and validate a grid of DLs

```
dl grid <- h2o.grid(</pre>
                      # Algorithm
                      algorithm="deeplearning",
                      activation=c("RectifierWithDropout"),
                      epochs=500,
                      #adaptive rate = FALSE,
                      # Response variable and predictors
                      y = "CAPSULE",
                      x = c("AGE", "RACE", "PSA", "GLEASON"),
                      grid_id = "dl_grid4",
                      # Training data
                      training frame= h2o df,
                      shuffle training data = FALSE,
                      # Cross Validation
                      nfolds = 10,
                      fold assignment="Stratified", # can be "AUTO", "Modulo",
"Random" or "Stratified"
                      # Preprocessed
                      standardize = TRUE,
                      missing values handling = "Skip",
                      ignore const cols = TRUE,
                      # Early stop
                      stopping_metric="AUC",
                      stopping_tolerance= 0.01,
                      stopping_rounds = 3,
                      # Regularization
                      11=1e-5,
                      12=1e-5,
                      # Optimized hyperparameters
                      hyper_params = dl_params,
                      # Search type
                      search criteria = search criteria,
                      seed = 2020)
```

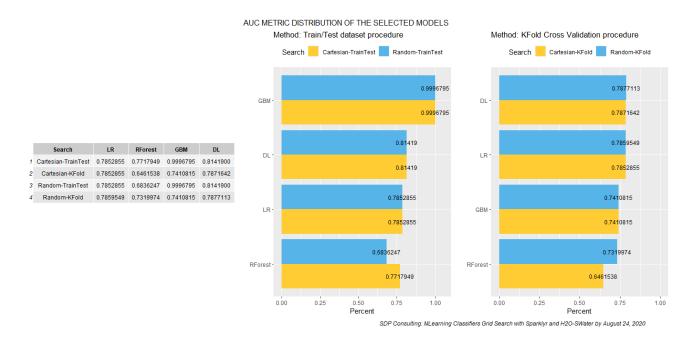
Get the grid results, sorted by validation AUC

```
dl gridperf4 <- h2o.getGrid(grid id = "dl grid4",</pre>
                                 sort_by = "auc",
                                 decreasing = TRUE)
dl gridperf4
Output
H2O Grid Details
_____
Grid ID: dl grid4
Used hyper parameters:
 - hidden
Number of models: 9
Number of failed models: 0
Hyper-Parameter Search Summary: ordered by decreasing auc
    hidden model_ids auc
[1024] dl_grid4_model_5 0.8020500417494457
2 [64, 64] dl grid4 model 2 0.7836227001813941
        [64] dl grid4 model 3 0.7834787365753938
4 [128, 128] dl grid4 model 9 0.7688808269269529
5 [512, 512] dl grid4 model 8 0.7673260199821486
6 [128] dl_grid4_model_1 0.7659151766433446
7 [512] dl_grid4_model_4 0.763237453571737
8 [256] dl_grid4_model_7 0.7584578618525237
9 [256, 256] dl_grid4_model_6 0.7539661973453111
```

SELECT BEST MODEL AND MAKE PREDICTIONS SELECT BEST MODEL

The models are compared based on the method (Train/Test or KFold) and the AUC metric obtained in each case.

These metric values are arranged in a table and then arranged in a possible format to process with ggplot2, generating the respective comparative visualization.



The Gradient Boosting Machine (GBM) algorithm performed the best and had a comparatively better AUC metric in the Train/Test method for both the Cartesian and Random procedures. Meantime, on the other hand, the Deep Learning-Neural Network (DL) model got a better AUC result for the KFold method in the two procedures applied.

BEST MODELS BY TRAIN/TEST METHOD

Selected model

The selected model is the Gradient Boosting Machine (GBM) algorithm with AUC = 0.9996794871794872 and Hyper-Parameter:

```
\begin{aligned} learn\_rate &= 0.1 \\ max\_depth &= 20 \\ sample\_rate &= 1.0 \end{aligned}
```

Model characterization

The characterization of the model can be obtained using the print command as follows.

```
seed = 2020)
print(GBM model)
Output:
Model Details:
==========
H2OBinomialModel: gbm
Model ID: GBM model R 1598310950573 1
Model Summary:
number of_trees number_of_internal_trees model_size_in_bytes min_depth
1 100
                                     100 32264 5
 max depth mean depth min leaves max leaves mean leaves
1 16 10.04000 19 24 20.96000
H2OBinomialMetrics: gbm
** Reported on training data. **
MSE: 0.03192855
RMSE: 0.1786856
LogLoss: 0.1498627
Mean Per-Class Error: 0.009090909
AUC: 0.9996795
AUCPR: 0.9898817
Gini: 0.999359
R^2: 0.8653624
Confusion Matrix (vertical: actual; across: predicted) for F1-optimal threshold:
       0 1 Error Rate
       162 3 0.018182 =3/165
       0 104 0.000000 =0/104
Totals 162 107 0.011152 =3/269
Maximum Metrics: Maximum metrics at their respective thresholds
                      metric threshold value idx
                      max f1 0.389477 0.985782 104
                      max f2 0.389477 0.994264 104
3
                max f0point5 0.469360 0.994094 99
                max accuracy 0.469360 0.988848 99
4
             max precision 0.999511 1.000000 0
max recall 0.389477 1.000000 104
max specificity 0.999511 1.000000 0
max absolute_mcc 0.389477 0.976878 104
                                        0.987879 102
9 max min per class accuracy 0.430621
10 max mean_per_class accuracy 0.389477 0.990909 104
                      max tns 0.999511 165.000000 0
11
                      max fns 0.999511 103.000000 0
12
13
                      max fps 0.001804 165.000000 265
14
                      max tps 0.389477 104.000000 104
15
                      max tnr 0.999511 1.000000 0
                      max fnr 0.999511 0.990385 0
16
17
                      max fpr 0.001804 1.000000 265
                      max tpr 0.389477 1.000000 104
Gains/Lift Table: Extract with `h2o.gainsLift(, )` or `h2o.gainsLift(, valid=,
xval=) `
```

The Train/Test method train the models using the "train" data as the training data. So, to use the model to predict we have to train the model using all data (h2o_df) and the best-known parameters.

Below is a brief view of the predictions obtained based on the dataset.

BEST MODELS BY KFOLD METHOD

Selected model

The selected model is the Deep Learning-Neural Network (DL) algorithm with AUC = 0.7920589674930177 and Hyper-Parameter: hidden = [1024]

Model characterization

The characterization of the model can be obtained using the print command as follows.

```
y = "CAPSULE",
                     x = c ("AGE", "RACE", "PSA", "GLEASON"),
                     # Training data
                     training frame= h2o df,
                     # Preprocessed
                     standardize = TRUE,
                     missing values handling = "Skip",
                     ignore const cols = TRUE,
                     # Early stop
                     stopping_metric="AUC",
                     stopping_tolerance= 0.01,
                     stopping_rounds = 3,
                     # Regularization
                     11=1e-5,
                     12=1e-5,
                     seed = 2020)
print(DL model)
Output:
Model Details:
_____
H2OBinomialModel: deeplearning
Model ID: DeepLearning model R 1598718661326 672
Status of Neuron Layers: predicting CAPSULE, 2-class classification, bernoulli
distribution, CrossEntropy loss, 10.242 weights/biases, 135,0 KB, 190.000
training samples, mini-batch size 1
 layer units
                        type dropout
                                          11
                                                   12 mean rate rate rms
                       Input 0.00 %
                                          NA
                                                   NA
                                                            NA
     2 1024 RectifierDropout 50.00 % 0.000010 0.000010 0.193687 0.343031
    3 2 Softmax NA 0.000010 0.000010 0.009714 0.009128
 momentum mean_weight weight_rms mean_bias bias_rms
1 NA NA NA
                                      NA
2 0.000000 -0.052502 0.262709 -0.056548 0.279210
3 0.000000 0.008416 0.148099 0.056109 0.140763
H2OBinomialMetrics: deeplearning
** Reported on training data. **
** Metrics reported on full training frame **
MSE: 0.1659942
RMSE: 0.4074238
LogLoss: 0.4883401
Mean Per-Class Error: 0.2623161
AUC: 0.825329
AUCPR: 0.7819455
Gini: 0.6506579
Confusion Matrix (vertical: actual; across: predicted) for F1-optimal threshold:
       0 1
                Error Rate
      145 82 0.361233 =82/227
                       =25/153
       25 128 0.163399
Totals 170 210 0.281579 =107/380
                      metric at c...
metric threshold value run
1 0 319374 0.705234 207
Maximum Metrics: Maximum metrics at their respective thresholds
                                         value idx
                      max f2 0.134448 0.821545 304
2
                 max f0point5 0.737796 0.724947 77
3
                max accuracy 0.554822
                                       0.771053 136
4
5
                max precision 0.999995 1.000000 0
```

```
max recall 0.036747 1.000000 339
             max specificity 0.999995 1.000000 0
7
            max absolute_mcc 0.554822 0.518132 136
8
9 max min_per_class_accuracy 0.443643 0.726872 171
10 max mean per class accuracy 0.554822 0.754038 136
                     max tns 0.999995 227.000000 0
12
                     max fns 0.999995 152.000000 0
13
                     max fps 0.000000 227.000000 376
                     max tps 0.036747 153.000000 339
14
15
                     max tnr 0.999995 1.000000 0
                                        0.993464
                     max fnr 0.999995
16
                     max fpr 0.000000 1.000000 376
max tpr 0.036747 1.000000 339
17
18
Gains/Lift Table: Extract with `h2o.gainsLift(, )` or `h2o.gainsLift(, valid=,
xval=)
```

Making Predictions

The KFold method trains the models using all data (h2o_df) as the training data. So we can use directly the selected model which already considers the best-known parameters.

```
# Best model chosen by AUC:
best_model <- h2o.getModel(dl_gridperf4@model_ids[[1]])</pre>
```

Below is a brief view of the predictions obtained based on the dataset.

FINAL WORDS

This project is about a practical exposition of how to apply two classic Grid Search methods for tunning four of the most frequently used machine learning models for classification, by using Sparklyr and H2O-SWater.

The tune processes can obviously be optimized either by modifying the current hyperparameter values or by incorporating others. However, it should be noted that incorporating more hyperparameter into the tune will require a greater amount of process time and, in some cases, will not be feasible to carry out.

Data can be loaded directly into the H2O cluster, or -as was done in this projectby first loading it into memory in the R session and then transferring it. The second option is not recommended if the data volume is very large.

While these models ran on a small data set in a local spark cluster, these methods can be scaled, for the most part, for data analysis in a distributed Apache Spark cluster.

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