Big Data: MLearning Classifiers with Spark, Sparklyr, and H2O-Sparkling Water

WHAT IS THIS ALL ABOUT?

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 lets us access H2O's distributed machine learning functions via sparklyr. It 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 Sparkling Water Spark package.

This project is about an application of some common supervised ML classifiers in Apache Spark using Sparklyr 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 sparklyr and H2O-Sparkling Water functions used are identified, allowing the reader to consult the appropriate bibliography and tutorial examples clearly and directly.

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. Some of the scripts they used have been adequated or modified a little bit, meantime others not.

DATA SOURCE

In this project I use the Bank Marketing Data Set from UCI Machine Learning Repository. You can download the dataset here. The classification goal is to predict if the client will subscribe a term deposit (variable y).

The data is packed in zip format. They consist of two files bank-full.csv and bank.csv. In this project, we work with the file "bank.csv".

Note that, the dataset is not significant 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
setwd("mypath")
# get current working directory
getwd()
# Load required minimum packages
library(rsparkling)
library(sparklyr)
library(h2o)
library(tidyverse) # to get the whole tidyverse: dplyr, ggplot2 tibble, readr,
tidyr, purrr
# Download the zipped folder
download.file("https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/machine-learning-
databases/00222/bank.zip", "data/bank.zip")
# unzip the folder
unzip(zipfile = "data/bank.zip",
     exdir = "data")
df raw <- read delim("data/bank.csv", delim = ";") %>%
 map if(is.character, as.factor) %>%
 as tibble()
glimpse(df raw)
Observations: 4,521
Variables: 17
           30, 33, 35, 30, 59, 35, 36, 39, 41, 43, 39, 43, 36, 20, 3...
$ age
$ job
           unemployed, services, management, management, blue-collar...
          married, married, single, married, married, single, marri...
$ marital
$ education primary, secondary, tertiary, tertiary, secondary, tertia...
1787, 4789, 1350, 1476, 0, 747, 307, 147, 221, -88, 9374,...
$ balance
$ housing
           no, yes, yes, yes, no, yes, yes, yes, yes, yes, yes,...
           no, yes, no, yes, no, no, no, no, yes, no, no, no, no...
$ loan
           cellular, cellular, cellular, unknown, unknown, cellular,...
19, 11, 16, 3, 5, 23, 14, 6, 14, 17, 20, 17, 13, 30, 29, ...
$ contact
$ day
$ campaign
          1, 1, 1, 4, 1, 2, 1, 2, 2, 1, 1, 2, 2, 1, 1, 2, 5, 1, 1, ...
           -1, 339, 330, -1, -1, 176, 330, -1, -1, 147, -1, -1, -1, ...
$ pdays
$ previous 0, 4, 1, 0, 0, 3, 2, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 2, 0, ...
$ poutcome
           unknown, failure, failure, unknown, unknown, failure, oth...
$ у
           # 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"
```

By bucketing, we can create categories out of numerical data. We transform the variable "age" by "age_new" defining the splits "0, 30, 40, 50, 70, 90". We use "ft_bucketizer" by sparklyr to let's as get the categories where we have defined our splits.

The final values and distribution for the new variable age_new is:

Once the redundant information has been removed from the dataset, its updated structure is as follows:

RE_GROUPING QUALITATIVE FEATURES

No qualitative variable was regrouped since the categories presented enough frequency to develop the models.

FACTORS INTO INTEGERS

Now, we need to turn all the characters into integers, as this is how MLlib likes it. Further, the labels for a categorical outcomes have to be in {0,1}. We use "ft_string_indexer()" by sparklyr to let's as get the numerical transformation. Finally, the gotten dataset (mydata) is copied to the Spark cluster to reflect a situation where we're dealing with data already in Spark.

```
1787, 4789, 1350, 1476, 0, 747, 307, 147, 221, -88, 937...
$ balance
$ day 19, 11, 16, 3, 5, 23, 14, 6, 14, 17, 20, 17, 13, 30, 29... $ duration 79, 220, 185, 199, 226, 141, 341, 151, 57, 313, 273, 11...
$ campaign_i 0, 0, 0, 3, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 4, 0, 0...
$ pdays -1, 339, 330, -1, -1, 176, 330, -1, -1, 147, -1, -1, -1...
$ previous i 0, 4, 1, 0, 0, 3, 2, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 2, 0...
$ education_i 2, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 2, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 2...
$ housing_i 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0...
$ loan i
             0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0...
0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1...
$ contact i
             8, 0, 5, 3, 0, 6, 0, 0, 0, 5, 0, 5, 2, 5, 7, 2, 2, 5, 0...
$ month i
$ poutcome i 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 2, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0...
mydata tbl <- mydata %>%
              #as tibble() %>%
 copy to(sc, ., name = "mydata", overwrite = TRUE) # copy our R data frame onto
spark
# to see tables in "sc"
src tbls(sc)
Output:
[1] "df"
           "mydata"
```

GETTING THE TRAIN AND TEST DATASET GETTING TRAIN AND TEST DATASETS

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

READJUSTMENT OF TRAIN AND TEST DATASETS

Now we have readjusted train and test datasets 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.

```
y <- "y"
x <- setdiff(names(train), y)
train[,y] <- as.factor(train[,y])
train[,"job_i" ] <- as.factor(train[,"marital_i" ])
train[,"marital_i" ] <- as.factor(train[,"marital_i" ])
train[,"deducation_i" ] <- as.factor(train[,"default_i" ])
train[,"default_i" ] <- as.factor(train[,"default_i" ])
train[,"housing_i" ] <- as.factor(train[,"housing_i" ])
train[,"loan_i" ] <- as.factor(train[,"loan_i" ])
train[,"contact_i" ] <- as.factor(train[,"contact_i" ])
train[,"month_i" ] <- as.factor(train[,"month_i" ])
train[,"poutcome_i" ] <- as.factor(train[,"poutcome_i" ])
test[,y] <- as.factor(test[,y])
test[,"job_i" ] <- as.factor(test[,"job_i" ])
test[,"marital_i" ] <- as.factor(test[,"marital_i" ])
test[,"default_i" ] <- as.factor(test[,"default_i" ])</pre>
```

```
test[,"housing_i" ] <- as.factor(test[,"housing_i" ])
test[,"loan_i" ] <- as.factor(test[,"loan_i" ])
test[,"contact_i" ] <- as.factor(test[,"contact_i" ])
test[,"month_i" ] <- as.factor(test[,"month_i" ])
test[,"poutcome_i" ] <- as.factor(test[,"poutcome_i" ])</pre>
```

MACHINE LEARNING MODELS

FITTING THE MODELS

Model: Logistic Regression (LR_model)

Build and train the model

Model summary

```
perf test <- h2o.performance(LR model, newdata = test)</pre>
perf test
H2OBinomialMetrics: glm
MSE: 0.06334832
RMSE: 0.2516909
LogLoss: 0.2170386
Mean Per-Class Error: 0.1785608
AUC: 0.916097
AUCPR: 0.5326796
Gini: 0.832194
R^2: 0.3191915
Residual Deviance: 589.4768
AIC: 683.4768
Confusion Matrix (vertical: actual; across: predicted) for F1-optimal threshold:
       0 1 Error Rate
       1119 98 0.080526
                           =98/1217
1 39 102 0.276596 =39/141 Totals 1158 200 0.100884 =137/1358
Maximum Metrics: Maximum metrics at their respective thresholds
                        metric threshold value idx max f1 0.207712 0.598240 162
                         max f2 0.138268 0.699052 206
2
```

```
max f0point5 0.321153 0.597907 114
                     max accuracy 0.322458 0.916789 113
                    max precision 0.999449 1.000000 0
                      max recall 0.010593 1.000000 381
                  max specificity 0.999449 1.000000 0
                 max absolute mcc 0.207712 0.553368 162
   max min per class accuracy 0.132347 0.851064 213
max tns 0.999449 1217.000000 0
11
                            max fns 0.999449 140.000000
12
                            max fps 0.000568 1217.000000 399
13

        max tps
        0.010593
        141.000000
        381

        max tnr
        0.999449
        1.000000
        0

        max fnr
        0.999449
        0.992908
        0

        max fpr
        0.000568
        1.000000
        399

14
15
16
17
                            max tpr 0.010593 1.000000 381
1.8
Gains/Lift Table: Extract with `h2o.gainsLift(, )` or `h2o.gainsLift(, valid=,
xval=) `>
```

Model: Random Forest (RForest_model) Build and train the model

Model summary

```
perf test <- h2o.performance(RForest model, newdata = test)</pre>
perf test
H2OBinomialMetrics: drf
MSE: 0.06412041
RMSE: 0.2532201
LogLoss: 0.2232473
Mean Per-Class Error: 0.2186052
AUC: 0.9145731
AUCPR: 0.5764669
Gini: 0.8291462
R^2: 0.3108939
Confusion Matrix (vertical: actual; across: predicted) for F1-optimal threshold:
        0 1 Error Rate
      1151 66 0.054232 =66/1217
      54 87 0.382979 =54/141
Totals 1205 153 0.088365 =120/1358
```

```
Maximum Metrics: Maximum metrics at their respective thresholds
                         metric threshold value idx max f1 0.284890 0.591837 122
2
                          max f2 0.175376 0.682635 191
                   max f0point5 0.406916 0.594966 63
                   max accuracy 0.406916 0.918262 63
                  max precision 0.828950 1.000000 0
                   max recall 0.042489 1.000000 358
7
                max specificity 0.828950 1.000000 0
8
               max absolute_mcc 0.284890 0.542952 122
9 max min_per_class_accuracy 0.139152 0.830731 220
10 max mean_per_class_accuracy 0.175376 0.839752 191
11 max tns 0.828950 1217.000000 0
12 max fns 0.828950 140.000000 0
                         max fps 0.026066 1217.000000 399
13
14
                         max tps 0.042489 141.000000 358
15
                         max tnr 0.828950
                                              1.000000
                                              0.992908
                         max fnr 0.828950
16
                         max fpr 0.026066 1.000000 399
17
                         max tpr 0.042489 1.000000 358
Gains/Lift Table: Extract with `h2o.gainsLift(, )` or `h2o.gainsLift(, valid=,
xval=) `>
```

Model: Gradient Boosting Machine (GBM_model) Build and train the model

Model summary

```
perf_test <- h2o.performance(GBM_model_model, newdata = test)
perf_test
H2OBinomialMetrics: gbm

MSE:  0.0854276
RMSE:  0.29228
LogLoss:  0.3022196
Mean Per-Class Error:  0.2252866
AUC:  0.8891968
AUCPR:  0.5287879
Gini:  0.7783936
R^2:  0.08190414

Confusion Matrix (vertical: actual; across: predicted) for F1-optimal threshold:</pre>
```

```
Error
       1152 65 0.053410
                         =65/1217
0
        56 85 0.397163
                          =56/141
Totals 1208 150 0.089102 =121/1358
Maximum Metrics: Maximum metrics at their respective thresholds
                       metric threshold
                                             value idx
                       max f1 0.152677
                                        0.584192 89
                       max f2 0.140807 0.631313 109
3
                 max f0point5 0.172130 0.590476 65
                 max accuracy 0.172130
                                        0.916789
4
                                         0.800000
                max precision 0.237878 max recall 0.105602
                                           1.000000 147
             max specificity 0.246654
max absolute_mcc 0.152677
                                           0.999178
                                           0.534670
  max min per class accuracy 0.112943
                                           0.792933 138
10 max mean_per_class_accuracy 0.136973
                                         0.804702 119
                      max tns 0.246654 1216.000000
11
12
                      max fns 0.246654 141.000000
13
                      max fps 0.105157 1217.000000 148
14
                      max tps 0.105602 141.000000 147
15
                      max tnr 0.246654 0.999178 0
                                         1.000000
16
                      max fnr 0.246654
17
                      max fpr 0.105157
                                         1.000000 148
18
                      max tpr 0.105602
                                         1.000000 147
Gains/Lift Table: Extract with `h2o.gainsLift(, )` or `h2o.gainsLift(, valid=,
xval=) `>
```

Model: Neural Networks (DL_model) Build and train the model

Model summary

```
DL Model@ model$ model summary
Status of Neuron Layers: predicting y, 2-class classification, bernoulli
distribution, CrossEntropy loss, 747 weights/biases, 14,9 KB, 47.516 training
samples, mini-batch size 1
  layer units type dropout
                                    11
                                              12 mean rate rate rms momentum
     1 60
                 Input 70.00 %
                                     NA
                                               NA
                                                        NA NA
         10 Rectifier 0.00 % 0.000000 0.000000 0.152447 0.370787 0.000000 5 Rectifier 0.00 % 0.000000 0.000000 0.001085 0.000795 0.000000 10 Rectifier 0.00 % 0.000000 0.000000 0.001007 0.000833 0.000000
                         NA 0.000000 0.000000 0.001583 0.001760 0.000000
           2 Softmax
  mean_weight weight_rms mean_bias bias_rms
                               NA
          NA
                     NA
    0.001186 0.174422 0.258896 0.167770
    -0.740970 1.583561 0.006417 0.000452
```

```
perf test <- h2o.performance(DL Model, newdata = test)</pre>
perf test
H2OBinomialMetrics: deeplearning
MSE: 0.07145651
RMSE: 0.2673135
LogLoss: 0.2378484
Mean Per-Class Error: 0.254413
AUC: 0.8779408
AUCPR: 0.4431717
Gini: 0.7558815
Confusion Matrix (vertical: actual; across: predicted) for F1-optimal threshold:
        0 1 Error Rate
      1107 110 0.090386 =110/1217
       59 82 0.418440 =59/141
Totals 1166 192 0.124448 =169/1358
Maximum Metrics: Maximum metrics at their respective thresholds
                     metric threshold value idx
                     max f1 0.231749 0.492492 140
                     max f2 0.131472 0.627729 212
3
               max f0point5 0.341961 0.499139 91
4
               max accuracy 0.608495 0.906480 26
5
              max precision 0.968073 1.000000
                max recall 0.019295 1.000000 358
6
            max specificity 0.968073
max absolute_mcc 0.131472
                                        1.000000
  10 max mean_per_class_accuracy 0.131472
                    max tns 0.968073 1217.000000
11
                    max fns 0.968073 140.000000
12
                    max fps 0.000364 1217.000000 399
13
                    max tps 0.019295 141.000000 358
14
15
                    max tnr 0.968073 1.000000 0
16
                    max fnr 0.968073 0.992908
17
                    max fpr 0.000364 1.000000 399
                    max tpr 0.019295 1.000000 358
Gains/Lift Table: Extract with `h2o.gainsLift(, )` or `h2o.gainsLift(, valid=,
xval=) `>
```

Model: Naive Bayes (NB_model) Build and train the model

Model summary

```
perf_test <- h2o.performance(NB_Model, newdata = test)
perf_test</pre>
```

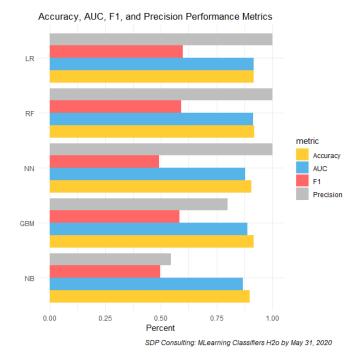
```
H2OBinomialMetrics: naivebayes
MSE: 0.09213555
RMSE: 0.3035384
LogLoss: 0.4303034
Mean Per-Class Error: 0.2258285
AUC: 0.8679027
AUCPR: 0.3829924
Gini: 0.7358054
Confusion Matrix (vertical: actual; across: predicted) for F1-optimal threshold:
      47 94 0.333333 =47/141
Totals 1120 238 0.140648 =191/1358
Maximum Metrics: Maximum metrics at their respective thresholds
                      metric threshold value idx
                       max f1 0.275154 0.496042 167
                      max f2 0.119273 0.631749 242
2
                max f0point5 0.614295 0.470756 89
                max accuracy 0.997865 0.897644
               max precision 0.997865 0.545455
                max recall 0.000039 1.000000 399
6
7
             max specificity 0.999964 0.993426 0
8 max absolute_mcc 0.155694 0.446703 219
9 max min_per_class_accuracy 0.128474 0.808511 235
10 max mean_per_class_accuracy 0.104429 0.814755 251
                      max tns 0.999964 1209.000000
                      max fns 0.999964 135.000000
12
                      max fps 0.000039 1217.000000 399
13
                      max tps 0.000039 141.000000 399
14
                      max tnr 0.999964 0.993426
15
                      max fnr 0.999964 0.957447
16
17
                      max fpr 0.000039 1.000000 399
                      max tpr 0.000039 1.000000 399
Gains/Lift Table: Extract with `h2o.gainsLift(, )` or `h2o.gainsLift(, valid=,
xval=) `>
```

MODEL SELECTION, CHARACTERIZATION AND PREDICTION Select the Best Model

The models are compared based on the metrics obtained in each case. These are: AUC, F1 (max f1), Accuracy (max accuracy), and Precision (max precision).

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

	Model	AUC	F1	Accuracy	Precision
1	LR	0.9160970	0.5982405	0.9167894	1.0000000
2	RF	0.9145731	0.5918367	0.9182622	1.0000000
3	GBM	0.8891968	0.5841924	0.9167894	0.8000000
4	NN	0.8779408	0.4924925	0.9064801	1.0000000
5	NB	0.8679027	0.4960422	0.8976436	0.5454545



The Logistic Regression (LR) and Random Forest (RF) algorithms performed the best and had comparatively better results in each of the metrics used to compare all models: AUC, F1, Accuracy, and Precision. Finally, any of them can be considered as the best model. Among both, finally, I choose the Random Forest as the best model.

Characterization of the best model

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

```
print(RForest model)
Output:
Model Details:
_____
H2OBinomialModel: drf
Model ID: DRF model R 1591139718732 1
Model Summary:
 number of trees number of internal trees model size in bytes min depth
                                      20
                                                        7715
 max depth mean depth min leaves max leaves mean leaves
        5 5.00000
                            20
                                       30 26.05000
H2OBinomialMetrics: drf
** Reported on training data. **
** Metrics reported on Out-Of-Bag training samples **
MSE: 0.07994675
RMSE: 0.2827486
LogLoss: 0.266595
Mean Per-Class Error: 0.2464692
AUC: 0.8733263
AUCPR: 0.4756788
Gini: 0.7466526
```

```
R^2: 0.2436856
```

```
Confusion Matrix (vertical: actual; across: predicted) for F1-optimal threshold:
           0 1 Error
                                 Rate
        2539 244 0.087675 =244/2783
         154 226 0.405263 =154/380
Totals 2693 470 0.125830 =398/3163
Maximum Metrics: Maximum metrics at their respective thresholds
                           metric threshold value idx
                            max f1 0.244523 0.531765 172
                   max f2 0.108434 0.653582 262
max f0point5 0.300456 0.507642 144
max accuracy 0.497186 0.887449 55
max precision 0.980392 1.000000 0
max recall 0.019630 1.000000 389
3
                max specificity 0.980392 1.000000 0 max absolute_mcc 0.244523 0.463492 172
9 max min_per_class_accuracy 0.124687 0.802632 248
10 max mean_per_class accuracy 0.107437 0.812230 263
                          max tns 0.980392 2783.000000 0
11
12
                           max fns 0.980392 379.000000 0
                           max fps 0.000000 2783.000000 399
13
14
                           max tps 0.019630 380.000000 389
15
                           max tnr 0.980392 1.000000 0
                           max fnr 0.980392 0.997368 0
max fpr 0.000000 1.000000 399
max tpr 0.019630 1.000000 389
16
17
18
Gains/Lift Table: Extract with `h2o.gainsLift(, )` or `h2o.gainsLift(, valid=,
xval=) `
```

We can also obtain the importance of the variables in the model. To view the variable importance computed from an H2O model, we can use either the h2o.varimp() or h2o.varimp_plot() functions:

```
#Variable Importance Table
h2o.varimp(RForest model)
Output:
Variable Importances:
                   variable relative_importance scaled_importance percentage

        variable duration
        caled_importance
        percentage

        duration
        639.763550
        1.000000
        0.455695

        month_i
        212.961884
        0.332876
        0.151690

        poutcome_i
        169.828339
        0.265455
        0.120966

        job_i
        76.510735
        0.119592
        0.054498

        pdays
        67.276260
        0.105158
        0.047920

        previous
        60.525105
        0.094605
        0.043111

        day
        35.933807
        0.056167
        0.025595

        age
        26.424019
        0.041303
        0.018821

        housing_i
        25.123405
        0.039270
        0.017895

        contact_i
        23.249025
        0.036340
        0.016560

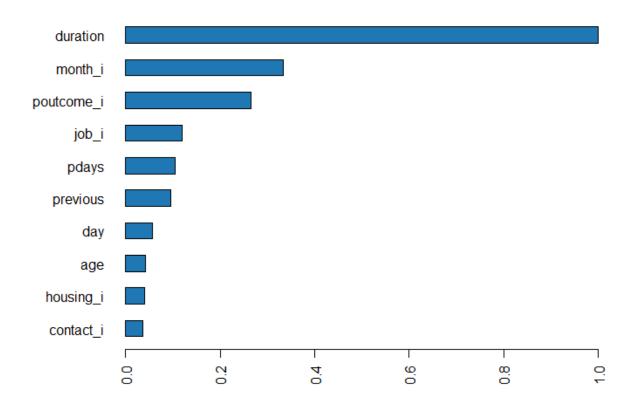
        balance
        22.433128
        0.035065
        0.015979

        campaign
        15.473489
        0.024186
        0.011022

        marital
        13.509902
        0.021117
        0.009623

        poutcome_i
         job_i
pdays
previous
               day
8
9 housing_i
10 contact i
11
                                                                                   15.473489 0.024186 0.011022
13.509902 0.021117 0.009623
10.381807 0.016228 0.007395
12
13 marital i
                                                                                 13.509902
14 education i
#Variable Importance Plot
h2o.varimp plot(RForest model)
```

Variable Importance: DRF



Making Predictions

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

```
# Generate the predictions on a test set (if necessary):

pred <- h2o.predict(RForest_model, newdata = test)

pred

Output:

predict p0 p1

1 0 0.8625073 0.13749275

2 0 0.9584258 0.04157423

3 0 0.9564851 0.04351491

4 0 0.9301738 0.06982616

5 0 0.9190784 0.08092161

6 0 0.9070115 0.09298850
```

FINAL WORDS

This project is about a way to apply supervised machine learning models for classification in Apache Spark using H2O-Sparkling Water through Sparklyr.

You can use H2O-Sparkling Water through Sparklyr to run a variety of classifiers in Apache Spark. For the bank data, the best performing models were both Logistic Regression and Random Forest.

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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