

VU Machine Learning

Summer semester 2020

Exercise 1

- Groups of 3 students
- Perform experiments with regression techniques in machine learning
- Prepare a slide presentation
 - More than 30 slides, including tables & diagrams (no code)
 - No report needed (only if you prefer to write a report)
- Submission: May 4
- Discussion of reports: After May 4

- Pick 4 regression data sets
 - 1 from exercise 0
 - 1 from UCI ML Repository (or other sources)
 - 2 data sets will be provided in TUWEL
- Must have different characteristics!
 - number of samples – small vs. large
 - number of dimensions – low vs. high dimensional
 - pre-processing needed
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Exercise 1 – Techniques

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- Chose 4 different regression techniques
- Experiment with different parameter settings
- And report on it !
- Compare results among selected techniques and datasets (4 x 4)
 - Using different performance metrics for regression methods
- Use training and testing set
- Evaluate effect of pre-processing (e.g. feature scaling, ...)



Exercise 1 – Software

- Python / scikit
- R (<http://www.r-project.org/>)
- WEKA (<http://www.cs.waikato.ac.nz/ml/weka/>)
- Matlab (<http://www.mathworks.com/discovery/machine-learning.html>)

- Characteristics of data sets & pre-processing (i.e. scaling etc.)
- Characteristics of regression techniques
- Explanation of choice for data sets & techniques
- Experiments, parameters tried
- Evaluation and performance metrics used
- Discuss experimental results, compare them in regard of the different datasets & techniques (tables, figures)
- Discussion of code
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