



# Presentation of OLPy

Online learning with Python.

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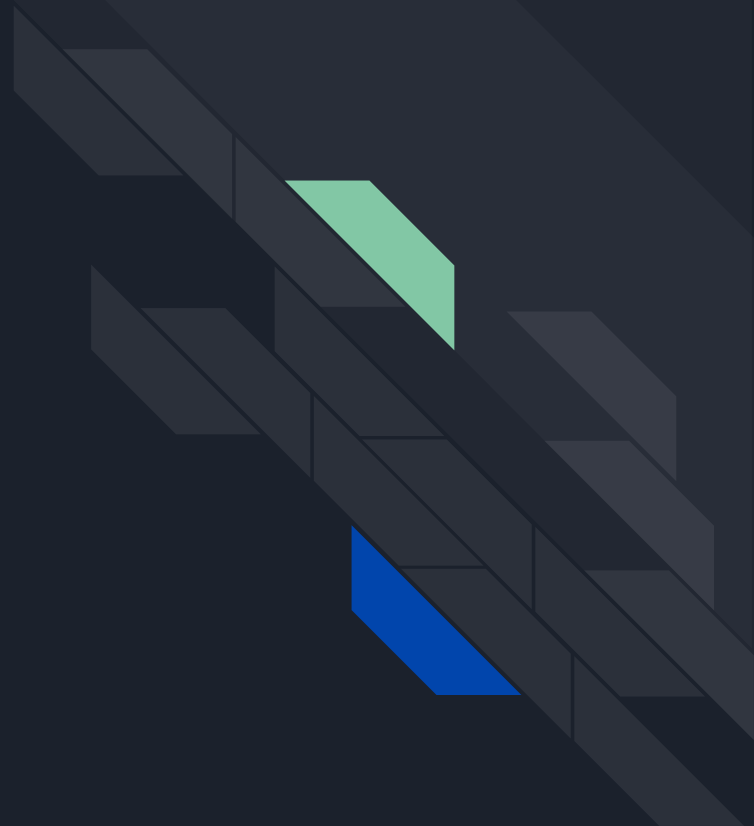
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#### 4. We thought our training data was a finish line

You also might find out in production that you were a little too confident in your initial training data in a different manner, by shifting to the past tense: trained. Even great training data isn't necessarily enough, according to Jim Blomo, head of engineering at SigOpt.

"You can't just train a model and believe it will perform," Blomo says. "You'll need to run a highly iterative, scientific process to get it right, and even at that point, you may see high variability in production."

The same holds true of your simulation and validation processes, as well as ongoing performance measurement.

"Teams will often find that the benchmark used to project in-production model performance is actually something that needs to be adjusted and tuned in the model development process itself," Blomo says. "One of the first things modelers typically learn is that defining the right metric is one of the most important tasks, and typically, tracking multiple metrics is critical to understanding a more complete view of model behavior."



# Understanding the problems

01 Data is not (mutually) exclusive.

02 Time to have labelled data is very uncertain.

03 Long Short Term Memory??





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# Online learning

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**Algorithm 1** Train an online machine learning model

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**Require:**  $X(n, m), Y(n)$

**Ensure:**  $w \in \mathcal{R}^m$

$w \leftarrow \mathbf{0}$

**for**  $i = 0$  **to**  $n$  **do**

$\hat{y} \leftarrow w^T X[i]$

**if**  $\hat{y} \neq Y[i]$  **then**

        Update the weights vector  $w$

**end if**

**end for**

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3. **The model should adapt to new trends effectively**
  - For every received data point, the model is updated every time the loss function reaches a certain threshold. Could be as simple as a 0/1 loss function or more advanced ones.

# Why aren't they used?

(solely my opinion here)

Two existing libraries

1. LIBOL - Matlab
2. SOL - CPython

CAN USE  
NUMPY AND  
PANDAS TO  
LOAD DATA

KNOWS HOW  
TO USE  
SKLEARN

IMPLEMENTED  
LINEAR  
REGRESSION IN  
MOISE'S CLASS

IMPLEMENTED  
BACK-PROPAGATION  
FROM SCRATCH

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NEW ALGORITHM  
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FOR MY ASSIGNMENT



THEN YOU SAY "MORE LIKE  
FARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE!"

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GREAT! NOW LET  
ME TEACH YOU  
ABOUT "UPDOG."



AI TIP: TO DEVELOP A COMPUTER WITH  
THE INTELLIGENCE OF A SIX-YEAR-OLD  
CHILD, START WITH ONE AS SMART AS  
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# About OLPy

- Currently usable for binary classification.
- Implements 16 different online learning models including the Perceptron.
- Uses an API similar to that of scikit-learn
- Provides a module that you can run your tests with
- Comes bundled with three datasets (svmguide1, svmguide3, a1a)

## Links

<https://github.com/boladjivinny/olpy>

<https://olpy.readthedocs.io/>

<https://pypi.org/project/olpy/>

```
python3 -m olpy -s 32 -l 0 svmguide3 svmguide3.t
```

This prints the following table with a set of metrics to evaluate the performances of the models on the given dataset.

algorithm	train time (s)	test time (s)	accuracy	f1-score	roc-auc	true
scw2	0.007872	0.000014	0.268293	0.423077	nan	0.268293
cw	0.026443	0.000015	0.219512	0.360000	nan	0.219512
pa2	0.042131	0.000014	0.365854	0.535714	nan	0.365854
pa	0.043486	0.000014	0.365854	0.535714	nan	0.365854
arow	0.043447	0.000014	0.341463	0.509091	nan	0.341463
pa1	0.018348	0.000025	0.170732	0.291667	nan	0.170732
aromma	0.026140	0.000014	0.097561	0.177778	nan	0.097561
iellip	0.026845	0.000014	0.243902	0.392157	nan	0.243902
romma	0.140190	0.000013	0.219512	0.360000	nan	0.219512
narrow	0.009500	0.000014	0.243902	0.392157	nan	0.243902
alma	0.009521	0.000013	0.243902	0.392157	nan	0.243902
scw	0.016670	0.000015	0.243902	0.392157	nan	0.243902
perceptron	0.003107	0.000013	0.243902	0.392157	nan	0.243902
ogd	0.023205	0.000015	0.000000	0.000000	nan	0.000000
nherd	0.013958	0.000014	0.560976	0.718750	nan	0.560976
sop	0.019392	0.000016	0.560976	0.718750	nan	0.560976



# Importance of the scikit-learn interface

- Habit
- Possibility to “ensemble” with existing models
- GridSearchCV
- ... and much more



# Recap

- Online learning models can address some real world problems.
- Less known because not many implementations exists
- OLPy addresses the shortage of implementation of the models
- Built in Python and easy to use for anyone familiar with scikit-learn

## Plus

- Training on a subset of data from the current point
- Classes weights for imbalanced data.





Demo



# What's next?

- Use the models for your projects, hackathons, etc.
- Maybe turn into an evangelist
- Contribute to it in any possible way: <https://github.com/boladjivinny/olpy>



Thank you.  
Questions/Remarks?

