

Occupation prediction based on Linkedin Data

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Motivation



Problem:

- The average graduate needs 7.4 months to find a suitable job

Potential Reason:

- Informational gap between job seeking and hiring

Our Approach:

- Analyze 3 million+ LinkedIn profiles to find important factors that various jobs require. (e.g. specific major and skills)



Value of name
is a dict

Value of
skills is a list

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{'_id': 'in-00000001',  
'name': {'family_name': 'Mazalu MBA', 'given_name': 'Dr Catalin'},  
'locality': 'United States',  
'skills': ['Key Account Development',  
'Strategic Planning',  
'Market Planning',  
'Team Leadership',  
'Negotiation',  
'Forecasting',  
'Key Account Management'],  
'industry': 'Medical Devices',  
'summary': 'SALES MANAGEMENT / BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT / PROJECT MANAGEMENTDOMESTIC & INTERNATION  
AL KEY ACCOUNT MANAGEMENTBusiness and Sales Executive with 20 years of accomplished career trac  
k, reflecting extensive experience and dynamic record-breaking performance in the Medical Indus  
try markets. Exceptional communicator, strong team player, flexible self-starter with consultat  
ive sales style, strong negotiations skills, exceptional problem solving abilities, and accurat  
e customer assessment aptitude. Manage and lead teams to success, drive new business through ke  
y accounts management, establish partnerships, manage solid distributor relationship for increa  
sed profitability and sales volumes. Very well organized, accurate and on-time administrative w  
ork, with a track record that demonstrates self-motivation, creativity, sales team leadership,  
initiative to achieve corporate, team and personal goals. Experience in the following markets:  
Medical Devices, Medical Disposables, Capital Equipment, Pharmaceuticals.',  
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  { 'url': 'http://ro.linkedin.com/pub/florin-ut/18/b33/77b',  
    'id': 'pub-florin-ut-18-b33-77b'}],
```

Value of industry
is a string

Example Raw Profile

(Dictionary of plain text)

How to clean?

How to quantify?



Approach



**Data
Preprocessing**

Word2Vec

Clustering

Modeling



Preprocessing - JSON into Data Frame

- Extract features of interest: “experience”, “education”, “skills”, and “industry”
- Remove profiles with empty “experience”, “education” or “skills” (1M to 455.8K)
- Remove profiles with non-English “industry” or more than 25% of non-English words in “experience” (455.8K to 107.6K)
- Remove punctuations in “experience”, “education” and “industry”
- Split the raw feature “experience” into “occupation” (label) and “company”
- Split the raw feature “education” into “degree”, “major” and “institution”
- Manually standardize “degree”
- Create a new column “years of work experience”
- Load the 107.6K English profiles into a **data frame**



Preprocessing - JSON into Data Frame

Out [9]:

	skills	institution	degree	major	industry	occupation	company	year_of_work_experience
0	[DNA, Nanotechnology, Molecular Biology, Softw...	[Harvard University, Yale University]	[PHD, BS]	[Biophysics, Computer Science]	Research	[Assistant Professor, Technology Development F...	[UCSF, Wyss Institute for Biologically Inspire...	16
1	[Interactive Marketing, Content Strategy, Affi...	[University of Virginia]	[BA]	[History]	Internet	[Social Media Marketing Manager, Board of Dire...	[Coca-Cola, Atlanta Interactive Marketing Asso...	21
2	[Primavera, Revit MEP, AutoCAD, Engineering, H...	[University of Petroleum & Energy Studies, IIT...	[, , ,]	[, , ,]	Oil & Energy	[Manager (International Business Development &...	[VOITH Hydro Pvt Ltd., VOITH Hydro Pvt. Ltd., ...	22
3	[Talent Acquisition, Recruiting, Talent Manage...	[Universitatea „Transilvania” din Braşov, Univ...	[BA,]	[Psychology & Science of Education,]	Human Resources	[Recruitment consultant, Scientific Staffing C...	[CGI, Kelly Services, Carmeuse, Education Inst...	18
4	[Brand Management, Integrated Marketing, Telev...	[Instituto de Diseño de Caracas]	[]	[]	Broadcast Media	[Creative Services, Vice President, Creative S...	[Discovery Communications, Warner Channel, War...	28

Head of the cleaned data frame
Number of profiles: 107,632
(filtered out of 1,000,000 profiles)



Text to vectors - Word2Vec

- Q: Why **Word2Vec**?
- A: Our interim goal is to classify text features. Thus, we need to quantify them as vectors before the classification.



Text to vectors - Word2Vec

We use the nltk and **gensim** libraries to convert text into vectors.

For each feature column (i.e. skills), we perform the following:

- Remove punctuations again
- Transvert to lowercase
- Lemmatize (instead of stem)
- Tokenize (optional, not applicable to “institution” & “company”)
- Remove stopwords (optional, not applicable to “institution” & “company”)
- Use Phraser & Phrases functions in gensim to construct bigram
- Build Word2Vec model (i.e. convert each tokenized word into a vector)



Hierarchical Clustering


- Q: Why **Word2Vec**?
- A: Our interim goal is to classify text features. Thus, we need to quantify them as vectors before the classification.
- Q: Then, how to classify the vectorized text features?
- A: We perform **hierarchical clustering** on each vectorized text feature (i.e. skills, major, degree, institution, industry, and company), and then regard each cluster as a **sub-feature**.


Example: We split the “major” feature into 20 clusters. A candidate has majors “business” (belongs to cluster 3), “business_administration” (belongs to cluster 3) & “computer_science” (belongs to cluster 1). Then she has a “major” feature vector:


(1, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)



Example of Clustering: Major

Cluster 1:  ['computer_science', 'science', 'computer', 'applied_mathematics', 'sciences', 'computing', 'informatics']
CS

Cluster 2:  ['history', 'english', 'general_studies', 'art', 'biology', 'literature', 'philosophy', 'german', 'spanish', 'english_literature', 'french', 'music', 'liberal_arts', 'geography', 'english_language']
Liberal Arts

Cluster 3:  ['marketing', 'business', 'business_administration', 'management', 'strategy', 'international_business', 'finance', 'international', 'strategic', 'leadership', 'major', 'strategic_management', 'mba', 'global', 'operations', 'hr', 'entrepreneurship', 'supply_chain']
Business

['geology', 'physics', 'mathematics_physics', 'chemistry', 'physics_chemistry']

['public_relations', 'communication', 'communications', 'media', 'journalism', 'advertising']

['human_resources', 'information', 'information_systems', 'human_resource']

['economics', 'statistics', 'accounting', 'accountancy', 'taxation', 'commerce', 'accounting_finance', 'banking', 'financial', 'real_estate']

['education', 'public_administration', 'development', 'administration', 'criminal_justice', 'social_work', 'health', 'policy', 'nursing']

['psychology', 'political_science', 'anthropology', 'government', 'sociology', 'relations', 'international_relations', 'politics']

['electronic_engineering', 'systems', 'electronics_communication', 'engineering', 'electrical_engineering', 'technology', 'telecommunication', 'software_engineering', 'telecommunications', 'electronics', 'electrical', 'software']

['advanced', 'program', 'course', 'training', 'diploma', 'certificate', 'high_school', 'project_management', 'professional']

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skills: 107632 , 50
major: 107632 , 20
degree: 107632 , 38
institution: 107632 , 50
industry: 107632 , 10
company: 107632 , 50
year_of_work_experience: 107632 , 1
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- Labeling Y:

Latest Occupation

Hierarchical Clustering

(0-49)

Multiclass Classification

- Train-Test Split (4:1)

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- Baseline Model
- Decision Tree Classification
- Ridge Classification
- KNN Classification
- Random Forest Classification

(need more computing power)

- SVM Classification
- One-vs-Rest Classification
- Multiclass Logistic Classification



Model Accuracy

Model	Accuracy
Baseline (majority)	4.562%
CART (cross-validated max depth)	5.958%
RF (cross-validated n_estimators)	5.010%
KNN (cross-validated k)	6.481%

- * Baseline predicts label with the most training occurrences.
- * Test accuracy is the success rate of predicting 1 class out of 50 in 1 prediction.

We are more interested in evaluating the **most important features** for hiring.

Random Forest Important Features

[illegible]

Decision Tree Important Features

[illegible]

Decision tree confusion matrix:

Decision tree important features:

Decision tree important features:

[illegible]

Multi- Class (50 classes)



Impact

- Help fresh grads find suitable jobs
- Improve matching between job candidates and jobs
- Add productivity to companies & provided help to students' decision makings





Appendix

Word2Vec & Clustering Statistics

Features	min_count	# of Word2Vec dict keys	# of clusters (k)
skill	100	1949	50
major	200	152	20
degree	200	38	38 (no clustering)
institution	20	1456	50
industry	50	146	10
company	20	1354	50

Label	min_count	# of Word2Vec dict keys	# of clusters (k)
(latest) occupation	2*	6391	50

* Note: If an occupation appears only once, it is “projected” into its most similar occupation and assigned the label.



Model Accuracy

Achieving high prediction accuracy is **not** the primary goal of our models.

- We currently assign labels into 50 different classes (and possibly more in the future). Thus, the “real” baseline prediction accuracy = 0.02
- A good prediction model returns the 5 (or 10) most likely occupation predictions (i.e. with “**predict_proba**” function in sklearn). Will do in the future.

Test accuracies (with 1 prediction, keep in mind there are 50 classes):

- Baseline (predict label with the most training occurrences): 4.562%
- Decision Tree (tuned max_depth): 5.958%
- Ridge (tuned alpha): **6.475%**
- Random Forest (tuned n-estimators): 5.010%
- K-Nearest Neighbors (tuned k): **6.481%**

Model Accuracy: Tuning Example

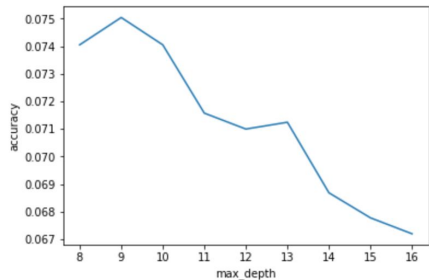
For the decision tree model, we tune the hyperparameter “max_depth”.

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In [43]: from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# Decision tree classification (tune max_depth)
max_depth_list = [8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16]
dtree_accuracy_temp = []
for max_depth in max_depth_list:
    dtree_model_temp = DecisionTreeClassifier(max_depth = max_depth).fit(X_train, y_train)
    dtree_accuracy_temp.append(dtree_model_temp.score(X_test, y_test))

plt.plot(max_depth_list, dtree_accuracy_temp)
plt.ylabel('accuracy')
plt.xlabel('max_depth')
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Out[43]: Text(0.5, 0, 'max_depth')





Important Features for Hiring: Results

We are more interested in evaluating the **most important features** for hiring.

Significant Features (Overall)

- Years of work experience
- Skills
- Major
- Degree
- Industry

Insignificant Features

- Company
- Institution

Most Significant Features (Specified)

- Years of work experience
- Skill cluster: management, finance
- Skill cluster: technology
- Skill cluster: development
- Skill cluster: engineering
- Degree: BA

* Rank from Random Forest