University of Wollongong School of Computing and Information Technology CSCI446/946 Big Data Analytics Spring 2023

Assignment 2

(20 marks)

Due: 21:00 AEST, 22 September 2023 Friday

Aim

This assignment aims to provide students with essential experience conducting big data analytics experiments with the R or the Python programming language. In this assignment, you should

- procedure big data analytics by following Big Data Analytics Lifecycle,
- appropriately choose, apply and evaluate core models/algorithms and analytics techniques to complete the analysis tasks,
- understand and integrate the knowledge and skills learned in this subject, including big data analytics lifecycle, data preparation, clustering, classification, regression, association rules, data/model evaluation, data visualization and text processing.

Group work: You are to work on this assignment as a group. Each group is to work independently from other groups on this assignment. Groups and group memberships are as specified on Moodle, and are to remain as they were for Assignment 1. All group members are expected to contribute to this assignment. Group members may use communications tools (e.g., UOW Zoom, UOW Webex, UOW Teams, Slack, Discord, WhatsApp, etc.) and online collaboration workspace (e.g., UOW OneDrive, Google Drive, GitHub, ZenHub, etc.) to complete the assignment. Please plan before starting the assignment, then keep a detail digital work log and timesheet for each group member. A justification and/or explanations must accompany all your answers to this assignment. One submission per group only.

Penalties: If a group member fails to make a minimum contribution, the member will be awarded zero marks. Claims of less or no contribution should provide evidence like a work log. Plagiarism of any part in this assignment will result in zero marks being awarded to the whole group.

Preliminaries

Read through the lecture slides, lab instructions and the recommended readings in Weeks 1 – 9. Conduct relevant background studies. You should use either R or Python for the tasks in this assignment. You can use any publicly accessible toolbox of library for R and Python. Your submission must include the source code file(s) which, when run, would re-create all your results.

About Dataset and Original Project

The dataset for Assignment 2 was originally used to train a CrowdFlower AI gender predictor. You can read all about the project here. Contributors have been posting code and discussion on the web. The resources can motivate your design of Assignment 2. **NOTE: Assignment 2 is different to any public project. Copy from any public project will lead to zero mark for Assignment 2.** The dataset contains 20,000 rows, each with a user name, a random tweet, account profile and image, location, and even link and sidebar color. Detail dataset overview is available in "Twitter User Data.pdf".

Essential Tasks of Assignment 2

Assignment 2 aims to find misinformation on social network, i.e., identify profiles that are mistakenly recorded as human / non-human profiles, focusing on the twitter user data dataset. Your essential tasks include the following Tasks 1-4.

Task 1: Design a big data analytics project by following Big Data Analytics Lifecycle. (3 marks) **Task 2:** Process the data by considering the different data types and considering the various different data properties. Correspondingly apply (mandatory) core models/algorithms. Discuss and consider the use of regression, association rules, clustering, classification, and text processing methods. (10 marks)

Task 3: Visualize the data and use visualization for the evaluation of results. (5 marks) **Task 4:** Study factors in multiple views/modes (e.g., text, color, tweet, etc.) and make suggestion to amend non-human and human profiles. (2 marks)

A report is required to summarize Tasks 1-4 in a well-organized way and cite referred articles and programming resources in your writing. Tasks 2-4 need R/Python programming to support your analysis.

Submission:

The submission link for Assignment 2 is on the subject's Moodle site, under the Week 9 Toggle. Only one submission per group. The submission must be a zip file named "A2.zip", under 200 MB, and contains a report (mandatory), and code (mandatory). The following file formats are acceptable: a report in .pdf format, and code files in .R or .py;

Important:

- The report must be in a single file and in .pdf format. The title page must list the full name and student ID of all members in the group. Clearly indicate members who did not make a minimum in contributions.
- The report does not have a page limit.
- Marks will be deducted for incomplete or vague descriptions.
- Sufficient, suitable, and legible annotation shall be provided in your code to make it
 easy to understand. Marks will be deducted for untidy code, code that is difficult to
 read, code that does not run, or code that does not reproduce the results in your
 report.

Note: Failure of your code to run on a computer in the lab may attract zero marks. Marks may be deducted if we cannot reproduce your results by using your code. Plagiarism of any part of your code, or any part in your report will attract zero marks for this assignment. It is the responsibility of the group to ensure that your submission does not contain plagiarized material. You may be requested to demonstrate and explain your program or explain your answer in the report. Marks are deducted if you are unable to offer an explanation. Marks will be awarded for correct design, implementation, style, completeness, and justification.

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