Classification with Multilayer Perceptron (MLP)

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Load Packages

If the libraries are not installed yet, you need to install them using, for example, the command: install.packages("ggplot2"). For the Hrate package this is different, since it comes from github. The devtools library needs to be installed, and then the install github() function is used.

```
# install the latest version of neuralnet with bug fixes: devtools::install_github("bips-hb/neuralnet")
library(caret)
```

Load Data

Load data table with values per text file.

```
# load estimations from stringBase corpus
estimations.df <- read.csv("~/Github/NaLaFi/results/features.csv")
#head(features.csv)</pre>
```

Exclude subcorpora (if needed).

```
selected <- c("natural")
estimations.df <- estimations.df[!(estimations.df$subcorpus %in% selected), ]</pre>
```

Split into separate files by length of chunks in characters.

```
# choose number of characters
num.char = 10
# subset data frame
estimations.df <- estimations.df[estimations.df$num.char == num.char, ]</pre>
```

Select relevant columns of the data frame, i.e. the measures to be included in classification and the "corpus" or "subcorpus" column.

Remove NAs (whole row)

```
estimations.subset <- na.omit(estimations.subset)</pre>
```

Center and scale the data

```
estimations.scaled <- cbind(estimations.subset[1], scale(estimations.subset[2:ncol(estimations.subset)]
```

Create Training and Test Sets

```
# Generating seed
set.seed(1234)
# Randomly generating our training and test samples with a respective ratio of 2/3 and 1/3
datasample <- sample(2, nrow(estimations.scaled), replace = TRUE, prob = c(0.67, 0.33))
# Generate training set
train <- estimations.scaled[datasample == 1, 1:ncol(estimations.scaled)]
# Generate test set
test <- estimations.scaled[datasample == 2, 1:ncol(estimations.scaled)]</pre>
```

Implement MLP classifier

This is based on code given at http://uc-r.github.io/ann_classification (last accessed 18.01.2023)

```
# choose hidden layer structure (for adding to file name later)
hidden \leftarrow c(3,2)
set.seed(123)
# start time
start_time <- Sys.time()</pre>
classifier.mlp <- neuralnet(corpus == "writing" ~ .,</pre>
                      data = train,
                      hidden = hidden,
                      threshold = 0.1, # defaults to 0.01
                      rep = 10, # number of reps in which new initial values are used,
                      # (essentially the same as a for loop)
                      stepmax = 100000, # defaults to 100K
                      linear.output = FALSE,
                      algorithm = "rprop+", # defaults to "rprop+",
                      # i.e. resilient backpropagation
                      err.fct = 'ce',
                      act.fct = 'logistic',
                      likelihood = TRUE,
                     lifesign = 'minimal')
```

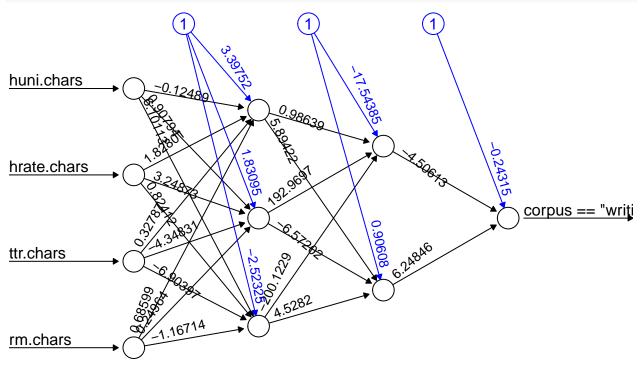
```
## hidden: 3, 2
                               rep: 1/10
                                                                             aic: 2141.0024 bic
                 thresh: 0.1
                                            steps:
                                                     2463 error: 1044.5012
## hidden: 3, 2
                              rep: 2/10
                                                     6502 error: 1043.02587
                                                                             aic: 2138.05174 bic
                 thresh: 0.1
                                            steps:
## hidden: 3, 2
                                                    37515 error: 1036.09853 aic: 2124.19706 bic
               thresh: 0.1 rep: 3/10 steps:
## hidden: 3, 2
               thresh: 0.1 rep: 4/10
                                            steps:
                                                    22270 error: 1035.54627
                                                                             aic: 2123.09254 bic
                               rep: 5/10
## hidden: 3, 2 thresh: 0.1
                                                     3963 error: 1034.56773
                                                                             aic: 2121.13545 bic
                                            steps:
## hidden: 3, 2
                               rep: 6/10
                                            steps:
                                                     2682 error: 1040.63177
                                                                             aic: 2133.26353 bic
                thresh: 0.1
```

```
## hidden: 3, 2
                   thresh: 0.1
                                   rep: 7/10
                                                 steps:
                                                            4492
                                                                  error: 1033.7219
                                                                                      aic: 2119.44381 bic
                   thresh: 0.1
## hidden: 3, 2
                                   rep: 8/10
                                                           10319
                                                                  error: 1041.96915
                                                                                      aic: 2135.93831 bic
                                                 steps:
                                                                  error: 1040.72419
## hidden: 3, 2
                   thresh: 0.1
                                   rep: 9/10
                                                 steps:
                                                            1486
                                                                                      aic: 2133.44838 bic
## hidden: 3, 2
                                                                  error: 1042.9409
                                                                                      aic: 2137.88181 bic
                   thresh: 0.1
                                   rep: 10/10
                                                            7901
                                                 steps:
#classifier.mlp
end_time <- Sys.time()</pre>
end_time - start_time
## Time difference of 37.33263 secs
# results matrix (each column represents one repetition)
# classifier.mlp$result.matrix
```

Visualize the NN

Visualize the nn with the best weights after training.

mlp.plot <- plot(classifier.mlp, rep = 'best')</pre>



Error: 1033.721905 Steps: 4492

mlp.plot

NULL

Predict with NN

Predict response values based on the "best" repetition (epoche), i.e. the one with the lowest error in terms of cross entropy.

```
# get prediction using the predict() function
mlp.predictions <- predict(classifier.mlp, test,</pre>
                           rep = which.min(classifier.mlp$result.matrix[1,]),
                           all.units = FALSE)
# assign a label according to the rule that the label is "writing" if the prediction probability is >0.
mlp.predictions.rd <- ifelse(mlp.predictions > 0.5, "writing", "non-writing")
head(mlp.predictions.rd, 10)
##
      [,1]
## 5 "non-writing"
## 11 "non-writing"
## 14 "non-writing"
## 16 "non-writing"
## 26 "non-writing"
## 28 "writing"
## 29 "non-writing"
## 36 "non-writing"
## 39 "non-writing"
## 40 "non-writing"
#table(test$corpus == "non-writing", predictions[, 1] > 0.5)
```

Model Evaluation

```
# creating a dataframe from known (true) test labels
test.labels <- data.frame(test$corpus)</pre>
# combining predicted and known classes
class.comparison <- data.frame(mlp.predictions.rd, test.labels)</pre>
# qiving appropriate column names
names(class.comparison) <- c("predicted", "observed")</pre>
# inspecting our results table
head(class.comparison)
                     observed
##
        predicted
## 5 non-writing non-writing
## 11 non-writing non-writing
## 14 non-writing non-writing
## 16 non-writing non-writing
## 26 non-writing non-writing
## 28
          writing non-writing
# get confusion matrix
cm <- confusionMatrix(class.comparison$predicted,</pre>
                       reference = class.comparison$observed)
print(cm)
## Confusion Matrix and Statistics
##
                Reference
##
## Prediction
               non-writing writing
    non-writing
                         222
                                   73
                         171
                                  388
##
     writing
##
```

```
##
                  Accuracy : 0.7143
                    95% CI: (0.6827, 0.7444)
##
       No Information Rate: 0.5398
##
##
       P-Value [Acc > NIR] : < 2.2e-16
##
##
                     Kappa : 0.4142
##
   Mcnemar's Test P-Value : 5.306e-10
##
##
##
               Sensitivity: 0.5649
##
               Specificity: 0.8416
            Pos Pred Value: 0.7525
##
            Neg Pred Value: 0.6941
##
                Prevalence: 0.4602
##
##
            Detection Rate: 0.2600
##
      Detection Prevalence: 0.3454
##
         Balanced Accuracy: 0.7033
##
##
          'Positive' Class : non-writing
##
# get precision, recall, and f1 from the output list of confusionMatrix()
f1 <- cm[["byClass"]]["F1"]</pre>
recall <- cm[["byClass"]]["Recall"]</pre>
precision <- cm[["byClass"]]["Precision"]</pre>
# prepare data frame with results
mlp.results <- data.frame(precision, recall, f1, row.names = NULL)</pre>
mlp.results.rounded <- round(mlp.results, 2)</pre>
print(mlp.results.rounded)
    precision recall
## 1
          0.75
                 0.56 0.65
Write to file.
write.csv(mlp.results.rounded, file = paste("~/Github/NaLaFi/results/MLP/results_MLP_noDNA",
                                              paste(hidden, collapse = ""), "_",
                                              num.char, ".csv",
                                              sep = "", collapse = " "),
                                       row.names = F)
```