STA9690 Final Project

Advanced Data Mining

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The Spambase Dataset

A dataset of emails and several key features that describe the content written in the email body

Number of Emails (n) 2695

Number of Predictors (p) 57 - 3 = 54 (3 predictors are all zero)

Response 1512 (~56%) spam 1183 (~44%) non-spam

Sourced Spambase from:

UCI Machine Learning Repository

https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/spambase

Predictor Description

Predictors are broken into three types of measures

Word Frequency
% of total words in an
email

word_freq_make
word_freq_internet
word_freq_hp

Character Frequency

% of total characte	rs	in	а
email			

Capital Run Length

The length of a sequence of capital letters

capital_run_length_longest
capital_run_length_average
capital_run_length_total

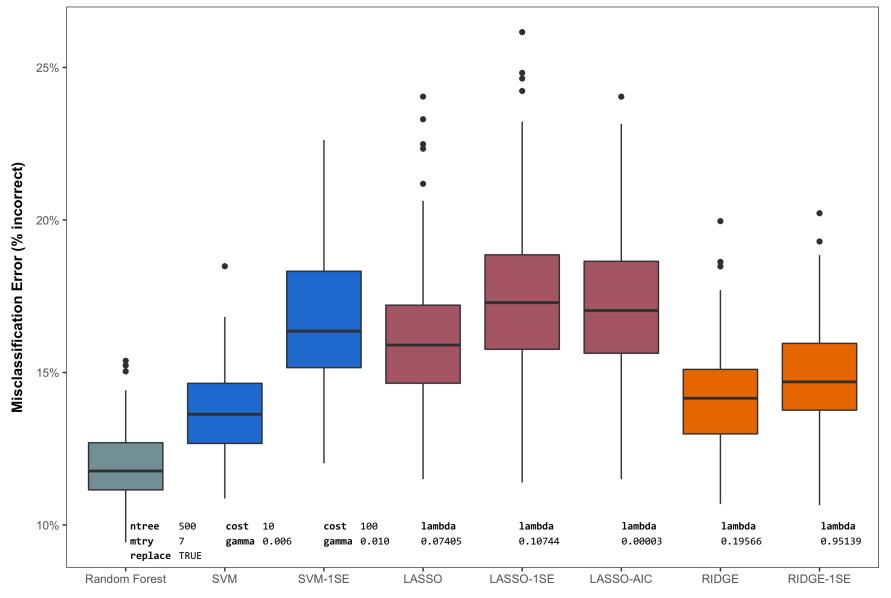
45 predictors (83%)

6 predictors (11%)

3 predictors (6%)

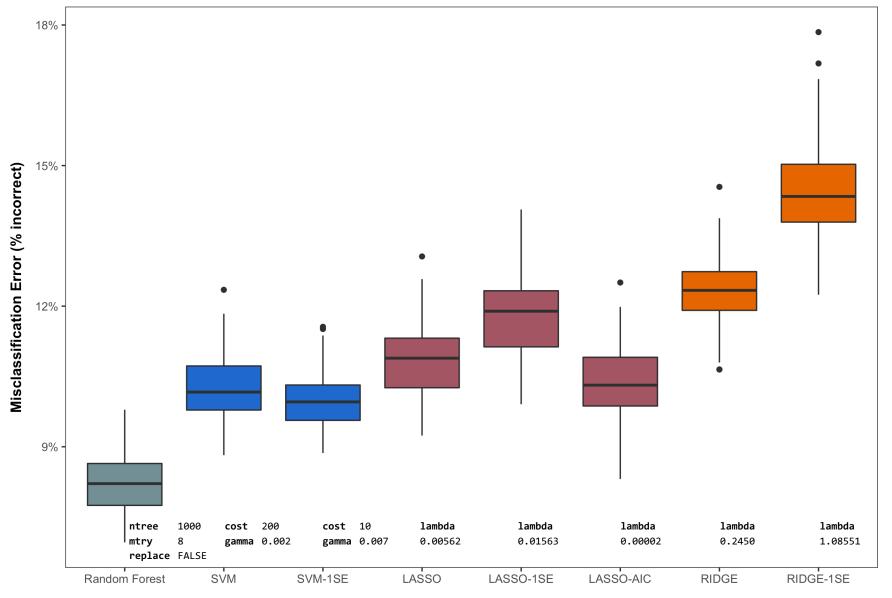
Misclassification Error for Learning Size 2p, nlearn=108

Parameters tuned through a single 10-fold Cross Validation run



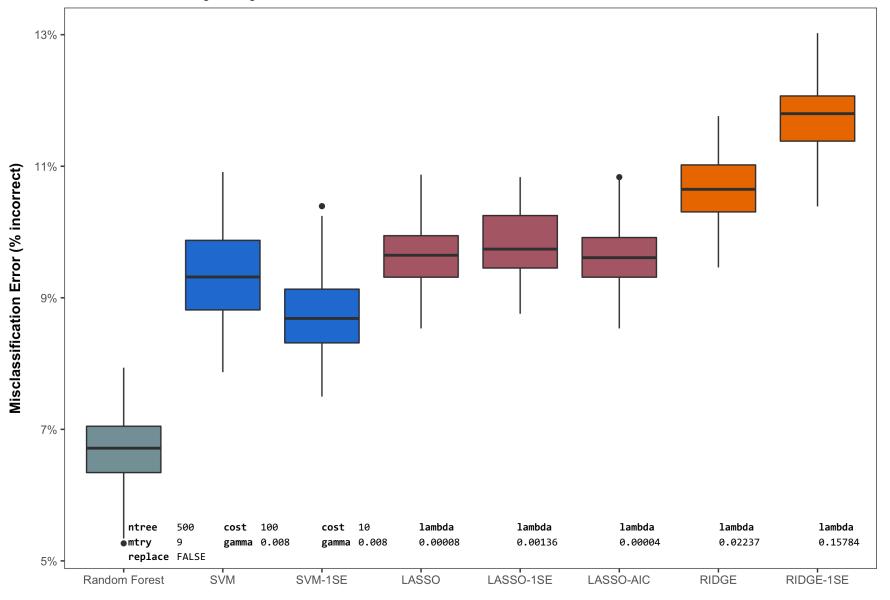
Misclassification Error for Learning Size 10p, nlearn=540

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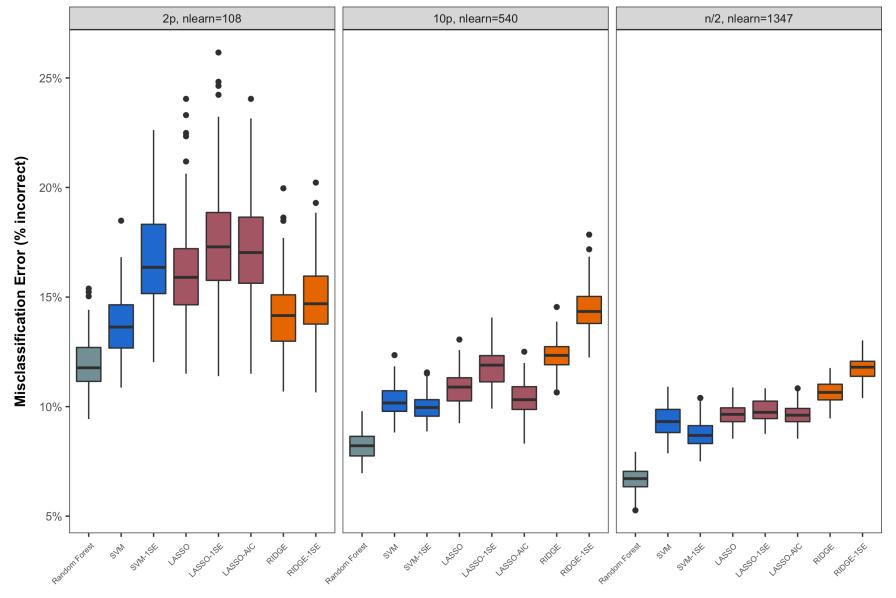
Misclassification Error for Learning Size n/2, nlearn=1347

Parameters tuned through a single 10-fold Cross Validation run



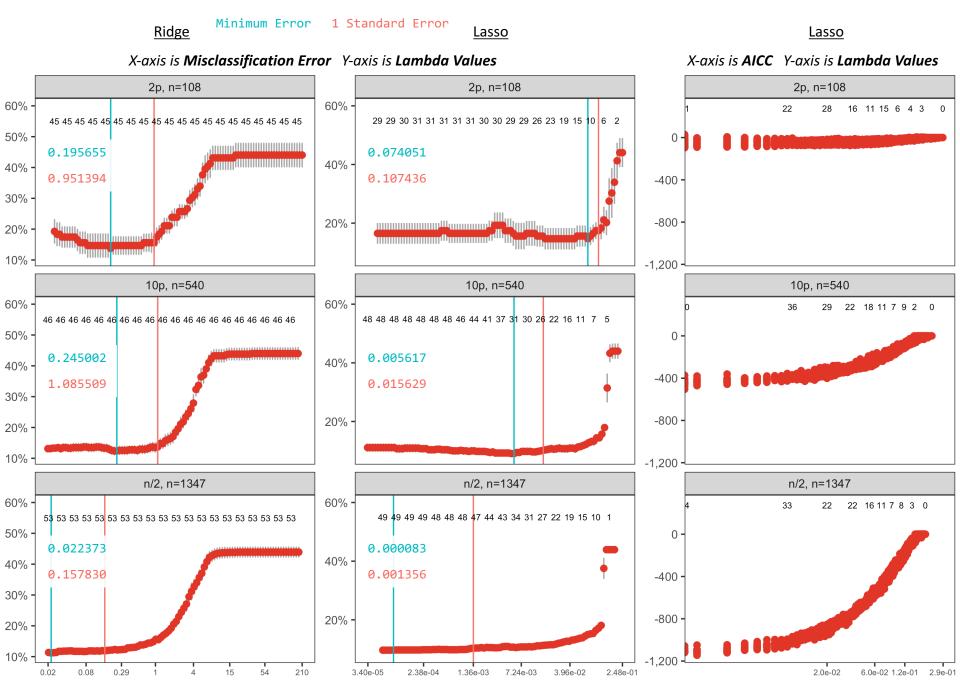
Misclassification Error for All Learning Data Sizes

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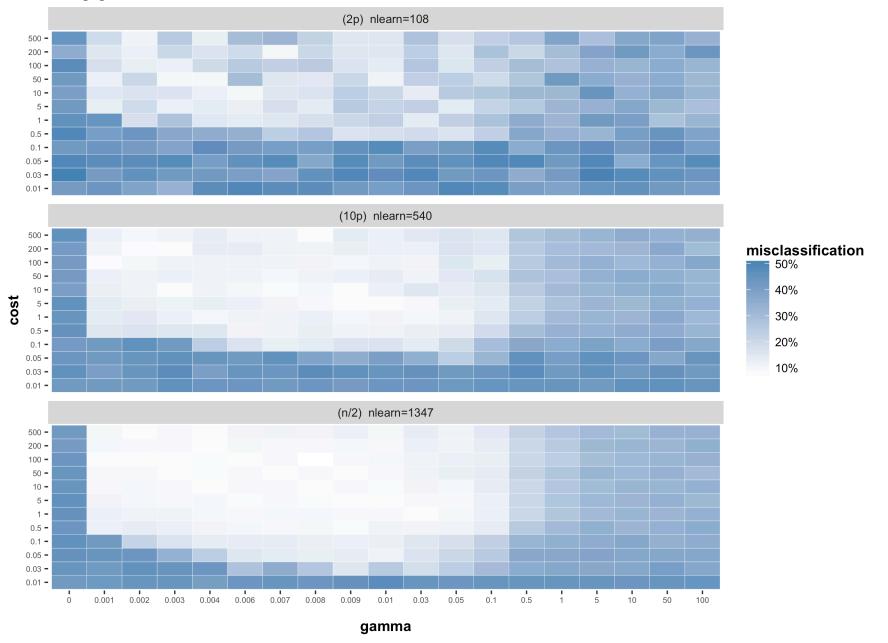


Cross Validation Curve

Lasso AICC Curve

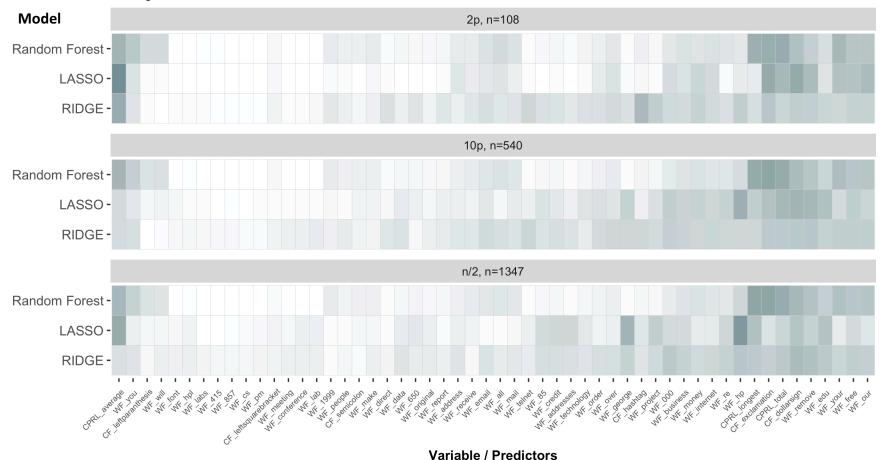


Support Vector Machine Parameter Performance



Variable Importance Agreement

Averaged Coefficients and Mean Decrease Gini



Variable Naming Scheme

<variable type>_<word/character/measure>

Relative Importance
0% 5% 10%15%20%

WF – Word Frequency (% of total words in an email)

CF – **C**haracter **F**requency (% of total characters in an email)

CPRL – Capital Run Length (The length of a sequence of capital letters)