



PASSWORD STRENGTH CLASSIFIER

MACHINE LEARNING PROJECT

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Introduction

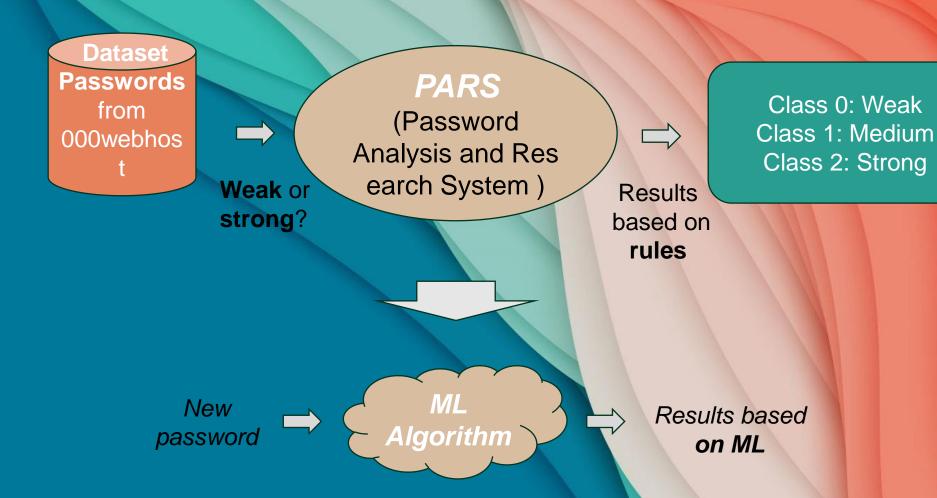
ML model to classify the strength of a password given in input



Two different approaches

Neural Network Ensemble learning

Dataset and password classification



NNs vs ensemble learning

INPUT

DATA PROCESSING

MODEL

Class ?

PyTorch

Password generated in characters



Random Forest

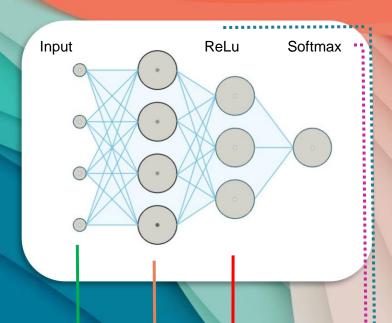


Class ?

RESULTS

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Pytorch model - first simple NN



```
input_size = X_train_tensor.shape[1]
hidden_size = 64
output_size = len(label_encoder.classes_)_____
model = PasswordClassifier(input_size, hidden_size, output_size)

criterion = nn.CrossEntropyLoss()
optimizer = optim.Adam(model.parameters(), lr=0.001)
num_epochs = 2
batch_size = 32
```

```
class PasswordClassifier(nn.Module):

def __init__(self, input_size, hidden_size, output_size):

super(PasswordClassifier, self).__init__()

self.fc1 = nn.Linear(input_size, hidden_size)

self.relu = nn.ReLU()

self.fc2 = nn.Linear(hidden_size, output_size)

self.softmax = nn.Softmax(dim=1)
```

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Pytorch model - more complex NN

```
Input Activation Activation Softmax
```

```
class PasswordClassifier(nn.Module):
    def __init__(self, input_size, hidden_size1, hidden_size2, output_size):
        super(PasswordClassifier, self).__init__()
        self.fc1 = nn.Linear(input_size, hidden_size1)
        self.activation = nn.Tanh() # or nn.ReLu(), nn.LeakyReLU() ecc.
        self.fc2 = nn.Linear(hidden_size1, hidden_size2)
        self.fc3 = nn.Linear(hidden_size2, output_size)
        self.softmax = nn.Softmax(dim=1)
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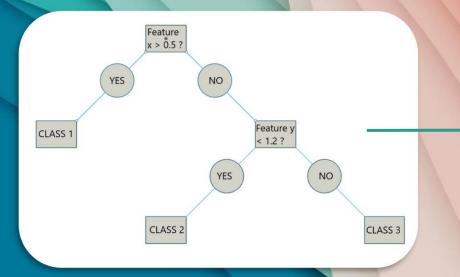
criterion = nn.CrossEntropyLoss()
optimizer = optim.SGD(model.parameters(), lr=0.01, momentum=0.9)
num_epochs = 5
batch_size = 64
```

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Random Forest model

model = RandomForestClassifier(random_state=42) model.fit(X_train_vec, y_train)





Each tree is different from the others.

They are independent

Pytorch model vs RandomForest model

Number of samples = 100k

TRAINING

Epoch [1/2]: 100%| 2500/2500 [00:12<00:00, 200.02it/s, Loss=0.8422] Epoch [2/2]: 100%| 2500/2500 [00:13<00:00, 186.61it/s, Loss=0.7086]

Test Accuracy: 0.8776

Training: 100%| 100000| 100000/100000 [03:28<00:00, 478.62samples/s]

Accuracy: 0.8614703422734604

PyTorch

RandomForest

test_password = "To#rkw1zxXzfY7\$4^*89bHs7Xb5!#A!4Ve8xGb4jW9arQdU61k" # strong

test_password = "LlserEptIngulSEd" # medium

test_password = "qwerty" # weak

TEST new passwords



RESULTS

Weak, Medium, Strong

Conclusion

Which one is better

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