

HW-Topic-11

Data Acquisition, Modeling and Analysis: Big Data Analytics

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Feature Selection

CORE IDEA

- Choosing the most important input features for a model.
- Helps the model focus on what matters.
- Removes noise and makes learning easier.

GOAL

- Reduce dimensionality.
- Improve model accuracy.



TYPES

Type	Speed	Accuracy	Model Used	Examples
Filter	Fast	Low-Medium	No	Correlation, Chi Square
Wrapper	Slow	High	Yes (many times)	Forward Selection
Embedded	Medium	Medium-High	Yes (during training)	Lasso

Advantages

- Faster training and prediction.
- Less overfitting.
- Cleaner and simpler models.
- Better accuracy when data has noise.

Disadvantages

- May remove useful information
- Hard to decide the right number of features
- Wrapper methods are slow
- Can be computationally heavy