Practical Machine Learning

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Background

This project utilizes sample exercise data to construct a model that predicts the manner in which people complete an exercise. The training and testing sample datasets include data from accelerometers on the belt, forearm, arm, and dumbell of 6 participants who were asked to perform barbell lifts correctly and incorrectly in 5 different ways. More information is available from the website here: http://groupware.les.inf.puc-rio.br/har

The outcome variable is "classe", a factor variable with 5 levels. For this data set, participants were asked to perform one set of 10 repetitions of the Unilateral Dumbbell Biceps Curl in 5 different fashions:

- exactly according to the specification (Class A)
- throwing the elbows to the front (Class B)
- lifting the dumbbell only halfway (Class C)
- lowering the dumbbell only halfway (Class D)
- throwing the hips to the front (Class E)

Class A corresponds to the specified execution of the exercise, while the other 4 classes correspond to common mistakes. Prediction evaluations will be based on maximizing the accuracy and minimizing the out-of-sample error. Relevant variables(features) will be used for prediction.

Decision tree and random forest algorithms will be used to construct each candidate model; the model with the highest accuracy will be chosen as final model.

Load Libraries, Data, Set Seed, Clean Data

```
library(ElemStatLearn)
library(caret)
library(rpart)
library(randomForest)
library(AppliedPredictiveModeling)
set.seed(1234)
# Loading the train dataset replacing all missing with "NA"
trainset <- read.csv(file = 'train.csv', na.strings = c('NA', '#DIV/0!', ''))
# Loading the test dataset replacing all missing with "NA"
testset <- read.csv(file = 'test.csv', na.strings = c('NA', '#DIV/0!', ''))
# Delete columns with all missing values
trainset <-trainset[,colSums(is.na(trainset)) == 0]</pre>
```

```
testset <-testset[,colSums(is.na(testset)) == 0]

# Delete columns 1-7 as they are irrelevant(related to the time-series or are
not numeric) to current project
trainset <- trainset[,-c(1:7)]
testset <- testset[,-c(1:7)]

# View the row(observations) and columns(features) that remain
dim(trainset); dim(testset)

## [1] 19622 53

## [1] 20 53</pre>
```

The training data set contains 53 variables and 19622 obs. The testing data set contains 53 variables and 20 obs.

Splitting Data into Testing and Cross-Validation

We subset our modified training data set into "train" and "test", which allows us to assess model accuracy.

```
subsamples <- createDataPartition(y=trainset$classe, p=0.75, list=FALSE)
train <- trainset[subsamples, ]
test <- trainset[-subsamples, ]
dim(train); dim(test)
## [1] 14718 53
## [1] 4904 53</pre>
```

We build our prediction models with both the Random Forest and Decision Tree Algorithms

Prediction Model 1: Random Forest

```
library(e1071)
library(randomForest)
model1 <- randomForest(train$classe ~. , data= train, method="class")</pre>
# Predicting:
prediction1 <- predict(model1, test, type = "class")</pre>
# Test results on test data set:
confusionMatrix(prediction1, test$classe)
## Confusion Matrix and Statistics
##
             Reference
##
                                       Ε
## Prediction
                 Α
                       В
                            C
                                 D
            A 1395
                            0
##
                       1
```

```
##
                    946
                          11
##
            C
                      2
                         843
                                8
                                      0
                 0
                              796
##
            D
                 0
                      0
                           1
                                      0
                                   901
##
            Ε
                 0
                      0
                           0
                                0
##
## Overall Statistics
##
##
                  Accuracy : 0.9953
##
                    95% CI: (0.993, 0.997)
       No Information Rate: 0.2845
##
       P-Value [Acc > NIR] : < 2.2e-16
##
##
##
                     Kappa : 0.9941
##
   Mcnemar's Test P-Value : NA
##
## Statistics by Class:
##
##
                        Class: A Class: B Class: C Class: D Class: E
## Sensitivity
                          1.0000
                                   0.9968
                                             0.9860
                                                      0.9900
                                                               1.0000
## Specificity
                          0.9997
                                   0.9972
                                             0.9975
                                                      0.9998
                                                               1.0000
## Pos Pred Value
                          0.9993
                                   0.9885
                                             0.9883
                                                      0.9987
                                                               1.0000
## Neg Pred Value
                          1.0000
                                   0.9992
                                             0.9970
                                                      0.9981
                                                               1.0000
## Prevalence
                          0.2845
                                   0.1935
                                             0.1743
                                                      0.1639
                                                               0.1837
## Detection Rate
                          0.2845
                                   0.1929
                                             0.1719
                                                      0.1623
                                                               0.1837
## Detection Prevalence
                          0.2847
                                   0.1951
                                             0.1739
                                                      0.1625
                                                               0.1837
## Balanced Accuracy
                          0.9999
                                   0.9970
                                             0.9917
                                                      0.9949
                                                               1.0000
```

Prediction Model 2: Decision Tree

```
model2 <- rpart(classe ~ ., data=train, method="class")</pre>
# Predicting:
prediction2 <- predict(model2, test, type = "class")</pre>
confusionMatrix(prediction2, test$classe)
## Confusion Matrix and Statistics
##
##
             Reference
## Prediction
                 Α
                       В
                            C
                                  D
                                       Ε
            A 1235
                     157
                           16
                                 50
                                      20
##
##
            В
                 55
                     568
                           73
                                 80
                                    102
            C
                 44 125
##
                          690
                               118
                                    116
            D
                 41
                           50
                                508
##
                      64
                                      38
##
            Ε
                 20
                      35
                           26
                                 48
                                    625
##
## Overall Statistics
##
##
                   Accuracy : 0.7394
##
                     95% CI: (0.7269, 0.7516)
```

```
##
       No Information Rate: 0.2845
##
       P-Value [Acc > NIR] : < 2.2e-16
##
##
                     Kappa : 0.6697
   Mcnemar's Test P-Value : < 2.2e-16
##
##
## Statistics by Class:
##
##
                        Class: A Class: B Class: C Class: D Class: E
## Sensitivity
                          0.8853
                                   0.5985
                                            0.8070
                                                     0.6318
                                                              0.6937
                                                     0.9529
## Specificity
                          0.9307
                                   0.9216
                                            0.9005
                                                              0.9678
## Pos Pred Value
                          0.8356
                                   0.6469
                                            0.6313
                                                     0.7247
                                                              0.8289
## Neg Pred Value
                          0.9533
                                   0.9054
                                            0.9567
                                                     0.9296
                                                              0.9335
## Prevalence
                          0.2845
                                   0.1935
                                            0.1743
                                                     0.1639
                                                              0.1837
## Detection Rate
                          0.2518
                                   0.1158
                                            0.1407
                                                     0.1036
                                                              0.1274
## Detection Prevalence
                          0.3014
                                   0.1790
                                            0.2229
                                                     0.1429
                                                              0.1538
## Balanced Accuracy
                          0.9080
                                   0.7601
                                            0.8537
                                                     0.7924
                                                              0.8307
```

Results/Decision

The Random Forest algorithm performs better than Decision Trees and is therefore the chosen model for submission. Accuracy for Random Forest model is 0.995 (95% CI: (0.993, 0.997)) compared to 0.739 (95% CI: (0.727, 0.752)) for Decision Tree model.

The Random Forest model is choosen. The accuracy of the model is 0.995. **The expected out-of-sample error is estimated at 0.005, or 0.5% determined by subtracting the prediction accuracy of (.995) from 1.**

The chosen model provides the following prediction when run against the 20 test datset cases.

```
predictfinal <- predict(model1, testset, type="class")
predictfinal

## 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20
## B A B A A E D B A A B C B A E E A B B B
## Levels: A B C D E</pre>
```