Machine Learning: Practical Work

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Unsupervised Learning

Description of the dataset

Sources:

- https://husson.github.io/data.html
- http://factominer.free.fr/livre/

Dataset Overview:

- Contains temperature data for 35 European cities.
- Cities are divided into:
 - o Capitals: Rows 1 to 24 (e.g., Amsterdam to Stockholm).
 - o Major cities (non-capitals): Rows 25 to 35 (e.g., Anvers to Zurich).

Variables:

- Quantitative: 16 variables.
 - o Indexed from 1 (Janvier) to 12 (Décembre) for monthly temperatures.
 - o Variables 13 (Moyenne) to 16 (Longitude) are supplementary.
- Qualitative: 1 variable (Région), indicating the geographic location of the city.

Scope of the Exercise:

- Focuses only on **European capitals** (23 rows).
- Analyzes variables 1 to 12 (monthly temperatures).

Filtered Dataset for Study:

- Rows: 23 (European capitals only).
- Columns: 12 (Monthly temperatures).

Part 1: Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

- 1. Is it necessary to center and scale the data before applying PCA? Justify your answer.
- 2. Perform Principal Component Analysis (PCA) on the given dataset.
- 3. What does the variance of each component represent? What is the total variance explained by all the components?
- 4. Display the individuals (data points) on the first two principal components (PCA axes). Analyze the resulting graph and describe any patterns or clusters.

Part 2: K-Means Clustering

- 1. What is the difference between the Silhouette criterion and the Elbow method for selecting the best value of K for K-means? Explain both methods.
- 2. Use the Silhouette method to determine the optimal value of K for K-means clustering.
- 3. Use the Elbow method to confirm the value of K obtained from the Silhouette method.

- 4. Apply K-means clustering using the K value selected through the Silhouette method.
- 5. Plot the individuals on the first two principal components (from the PCA) and visualize how the K-means clusters are distributed.
- 6. Perform a chi-square test between the 'Région' column in the dataset and the K-means labels. What do you observe from the results of the test?
- 7. Analyze the clusters obtained based on the following features:
 - Région
 - Latitude
 - Longitude
 - Altitude

Part 3: DBSCAN Clustering

- 1. Select the optimal value of 'eps' for DBSCAN using the K-nearest neighbors' method with K=3. Explain the process and plot the distance graph for K-nearest neighbors.
- 2. Apply DBSCAN with the optimal value of 'eps' obtained in the previous step and analyze the obtained clusters.

Part 4: DBSCAN with Reduced Data

- 1. Remove the cities Athens, Madrid, Rome, and Lisbon from the dataset.
- 2. Perform PCA on the reduced dataset. Display the individuals on the first two principal components and analyze the resulting graph.
- 3. Apply the K-nearest neighbors' method with K=4 to select the optimal value of 'eps' for DBSCAN. Explain the process and show the graph for K-nearest neighbors.
- 4. Apply DBSCAN to the reduced dataset using the optimal 'eps' value and analyze the resulting clusters.

Supervised Learning

Description of the dataset

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Dataset Overview:

- Decathlon dataset with 41 athletes (rows).
- In the original file, athletes are classified into 4 classes, but for this exercise, we are working with 3 labeled classes: 1, 2 and 3.
- One qualitative column "Classe" containing the label for each athlete.

Variables:

- 10 quantitative variables (athletes' performances).
- 2 quantitative variables (Classement and Points).
- One qualitative variable: competition (2004 Olympic Games or Decastar).

Scope of the Exercice:

- Focuses only on classes 1, 2 and 3.
- Analyzes 10 athletes' performances variables.

Filtered Dataset for study:

- Rows: 38 (classes 1, 2 and 3).
- Columns: 10 (athletes' performances).

Part 1: KNN

- 1. Is the cross-validation important for training KNN or another machine learning model on our dataset? Justify your answer.
- 2. Train the KNN model with different values of k (e.g., k=3, k=5, k=7).
 - Use cross-validation to select the best k based on performance metrics like accuracy and F1-score.
- 1. Analyze the confusion matrix of KNN with the optimal value of k returned by cross-validation.
- 2. Display a classification report for detailed performance insights.
- 3. Plot the decision boundaries generated by KNN using a 2D graph (example, graph of PCA).

Part 2: SVM

- 1. Use cross-validation to select the best combination of C and kernel of SVM based on performance metrics such as accuracy and F1-score.
 - 1. C: 0.1, 1, 10, 100.
 - 2. kernel: [linear, rbf, sigmoid]
- 2. Analyze the confusion matrix of SVM with the optimal value of C and kernel returned by cross-validation.
- 3. Display a classification report for detailed performance insights.
- 4. Plot the decision boundaries generated by SVM using a 2D graph (example, graph of PCA).

Part 3: Models comparison

1. Compare the performance of the best KNN model (with the optimal k) and the best SVM model (with the optimal C and kernel).

Part 4: To go further

- 1. Explore and propose another model of your choice, such as decision tree or neural network.
- 2. Compare the performance of the proposed model to the best KNN and best SVM from the first two parts.
- 3. Perform feature selection to identify the most relevant features in the dataset and use the selected features to train one model of your choice: either KNN or SVM.