Beyond Reason Codes

A Blueprint for Human-Centered, Low-Risk AutoML

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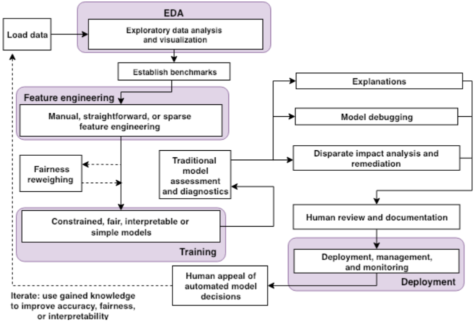
Blueprint

This mid-level technical document provides a basic blueprint for combining the best of AutoML, regulation-compliant predictive modeling, and machine learning research in the sub-disciplines of interpretable models, fairness, and post-hoc explanations to create a low-risk, human-centered machine learning framework.

Look for *compliance* mode in Driverless AI soon.

Guidance from leading researchers and practitioners.

Blueprint


EDA
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Exploratory data analysis and visualization
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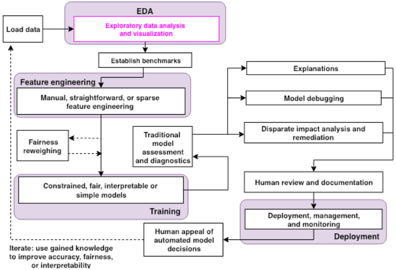
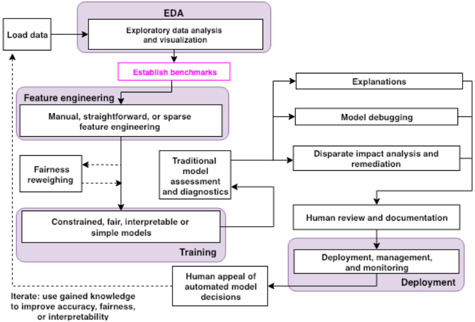
EDA and Data Visualization



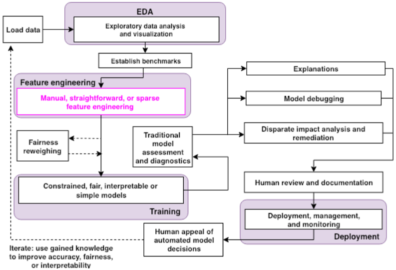
- Know thy data.
- **Automation** implemented in Driverless AI as AutoViz.
- OSS: H2O-3 Aggregator
- References: Visualizing Big Data Outliers through Distributed Aggregation; The Grammar of Graphics

Establish Benchmarks



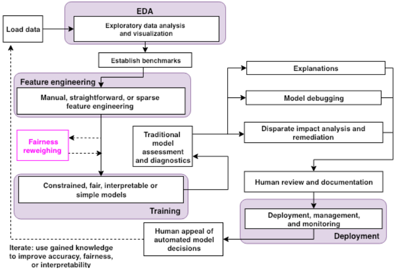
Establishing a benchmark from which to gauge improvements in accuracy, fairness, or interpretability is crucial for good ("data") science and compliance.

Manual, Straightforward, or Sparse Feature Engineering



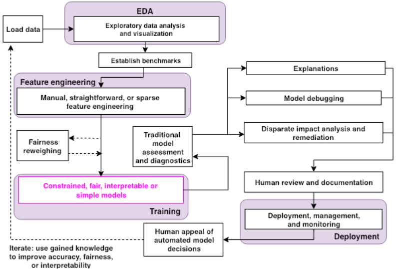
- **Automation** implemented in Driverless AI as high-interpretability transformers.
- OSS: Pandas Profiler, Feature Tools
- References: Deep Feature Synthesis: Towards Automating Data Science Endeavors; Label, Segment, Featurize: A Cross Domain Framework for Prediction Engineering

Fairness Reweighing



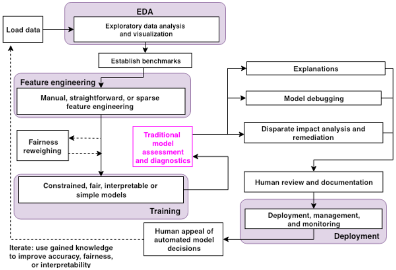
- OSS: IBM AI360
- References: Three Naïve Bayes Approaches for Discrimination-free Classification; Data Preprocessing Techniques for Classification Without Discrimination; Certifying and Removing Disparate Impact; Optimized Pre-processing for Discrimination Prevention
- **Roadmap items for MLI-2**.

Constrained, Fair, Interpretable or Simple Models



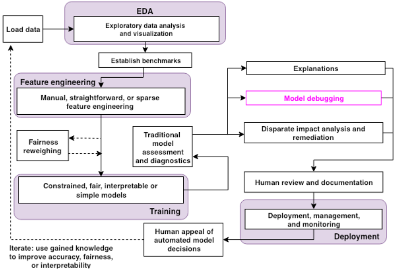
- **Automation** implemented in Driverless AI as GLM, RuleFit, Monotonic GBM.
- References: Locally Interpretable Models and Effects Based on Supervised Partitioning (LIME-SUP); Explainable Neural Networks Based on Additive Index Models (XNN); Scalable Bayesian Rule Lists (SBRL)
- **LIME-SUP, SBRL, XNN are roadmap items for MLI-2.**

Traditional Model Assessment and Diagnostics



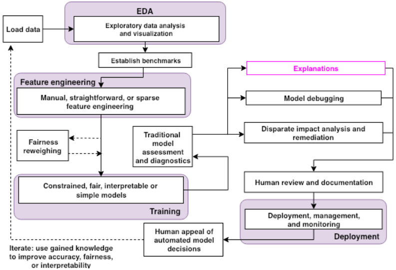
- Residual analysis, Q-Q plots, AUC and lift curves confirm model is accurate and meets assumption criteria.
- Implemented as model diagnostics in Driverless AI.
- **Residual analysis is roadmap item for model diagnostics in Driverless AI.**

Model Debugging



- Understanding and eliminating errors in model predictions by model testing: adversarial examples, "what-if" analysis, random attacks, explanation of residuals.
- OSS: cleverhans, pdpbox, what-if tool
- **Adversarial examples, "what-if" analysis, explanation of residuals, measures of epistemic uncertainty are implemented and roadmap items in MLI-2.**

Post-hoc Explanations

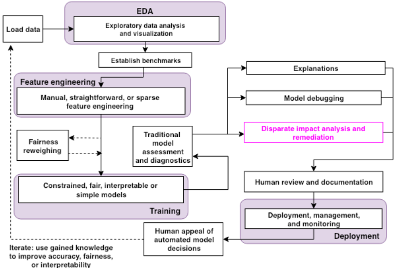


- LIME and Tree SHAP implemented in Driverless AI.
- OSS: lime, shap
- References: Why Should I Trust You?: Explaining the Predictions of Any Classifier; A Unified Approach to Interpreting Model Predictions; Please Stop Explaining Black Box Models for High Stakes Decisions (criticism)
- Tree SHAP is roadmap item for H2O-3; **Explanations for unstructured data are roadmap for MLI-2**.

Interlude: The Time–Tested Shapley Value

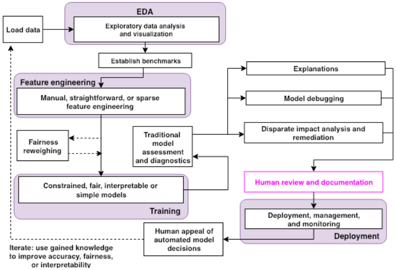
1. **In the beginning**: A Value for N-Person Games, 1953
2. **Nobel-worthy contributions**: The Shapley Value: Essays in Honor of Lloyd S. Shapley, 1988
3. **Shapley regression**: Analysis of Regression in Game Theory Approach, 2001
4. **First reference in ML?** Fair Attribution of Functional Contribution in Artificial and Biological Networks, 2004
5. **Into the ML research mainstream, i.e. JMLR**: An Efficient Explanation of Individual Classifications Using Game Theory, 2010
6. **Into the real-world data mining workflow ... *finally***: Consistent Individualized Feature Attribution for Tree Ensembles, 2017
7. **Unification**: A Unified Approach to Interpreting Model Predictions, 2017

Post-hoc Disparate Impact Assessment and Remediation



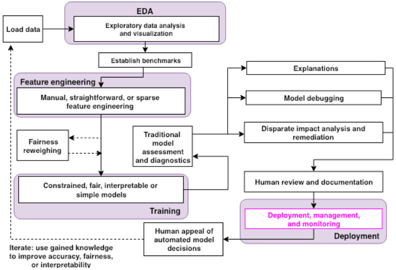
- Disparate impact analysis can be performed manually using Driverless AI or H2O-3.
- OSS: aequitas, IBM AI360, themis
- References: Equality of Opportunity in Supervised Learning; Certifying and Removing Disparate Impact
- **Disparate impact analysis and remediation are roadmap items for MLI-2.**

Human Review and Documentation



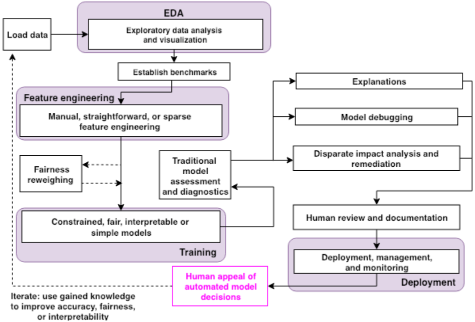
- Implemented as AutoDoc in Driverless AI.
- **Various interpretability and fairness roadmap items to be added to AutoDoc.**

Deployment, Management, and Monitoring



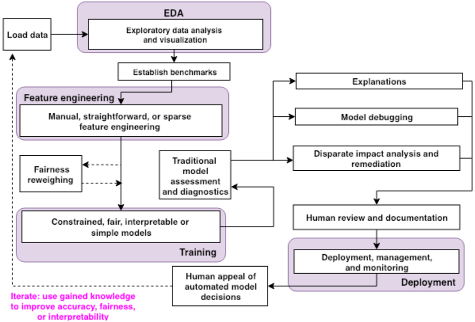
- Monitor models for accuracy and fairness in real-time, track model and data lineage.
- OSS: mlflow, modeldb
- Reference: Model DB: A System for Machine Learning Model Management
- **Broader roadmap item for H2O.ai.**

Human Appeal



Very important, may require custom implementation for each deployment environment?

Iterate: Use Gained Knowledge to Improve Accuracy, Fairness, or Interpretability



Improvements, KPIs should not be restricted to accuracy alone.

Open Conceptual Questions

- How much automation is appropriate, 100%?
- How to automate learning by iteration, reinforcement learning?
- How to implement human appeals, is it productizable?

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https://github.com/jphall663/h2oworld_sf_2019/blob/master/main.pdf

Driverless AI API Interpretability Technique Examples:
https://github.com/h2oai/driverlessai-tutorials

In-Depth Open Source Interpretability Technique Examples:
https://github.com/jphall663/interpretable_machine_learning_with_python

"Awesome" Machine Learning Interpretability Resource List:
https://github.com/jphall663/awesome-machine-learning-interpretability

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