

Project 2

Rain prediction model.

In this project you will explore the provided weather prediction dataset, verify data validity, create a **classification** model to predict the **Rain Tomorrow** target variable, analyze its performance, persist and deliver your best solution.

Your delivered model will be evaluated and ranked among all submissions using F1 score performance over a dataset of 4K reserved observations (Make sure you deliver the best performing model you can train).

Objectives

During this project you will master the use of scikit-learn's pipelines and improve your confidence on model training techniques, evaluation metrics, and model selection process.

Dataset

The provided dataset contains about 10 years (2007-10-31 to 2017-06-24) of daily weather observations from many locations across Australia.

RainTomorrow is the target variable to predict. It means -- did it rain the next day? Yes or No? This column is Yes if the rain for that day was 1mm or more.

Source & Acknowledgements

Observations were drawn from numerous weather stations. The daily observations are available from <http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/data>.

An example of latest weather observations in Canberra:

<http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/dwo/IDCJDW2801.latest.shtml>

- Definitions adapted from <http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/dwo/IDCJDW0000.shtml>
- Data source: <http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/dwo/> and <http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/data>.
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Dataset Columns

Date: The date of observation

Location: The common name of the location of the weather station

Location: The minimum temperature in degrees celsius

MinTemp: The maximum temperature in degrees celsius

MaxTemp: The amount of rainfall recorded for the day in mm

Rainfall: The amount of rainfall recorded for the day in mm

Evaporation: The so-called Class A pan evaporation (mm) in the 24 hours to 9am

Sunshine: The number of hours of bright sunshine in the day.

WindGustDir: The direction of the strongest wind gust in the 24 hours to midnight

WindGustSpeed: The speed (km/h) of the strongest wind gust in the 24 hours to midnight

WindDir9am: Direction of the wind at 9am

WindDir3pm: Direction of the wind at 3pm

WindSpeed9am: Wind speed (km/hr) averaged over 10 minutes prior to 9am

WindSpeed3pm: Wind speed (km/hr) averaged over 10 minutes prior to 3pm

Humidity9am: Humidity (percent) at 9am

Humidity3pm: Humidity (percent) at 3pm

Pressure9am: Atmospheric pressure (hpa) reduced to mean sea level at 9am

Pressure3pm: Atmospheric pressure (hpa) reduced to mean sea level at 3pm

Cloud9am: Fraction of sky obscured by cloud at 9am. This is measured in "oktas", which are a unit of eighths.

Cloud3pm: Fraction of sky obscured by cloud (in "oktas": eighths) at 3pm. See Cloud9am for a **description** of the values

Temp9am: Temperature (degrees C) at 9am

Temp3pm: Temperature (degrees C) at 3pm

RainToday: Boolean: 1 if precipitation (mm) in the 24 hours to 9am exceeds 1mm, otherwise 0

RainTomorrow: The amount of next day rain in mm. Used to create response variable RainTomorrow. A kind of measure of the "risk". (Target variable)

Project requirements

Your project is required to follow these guidelines. If one of the requirements is not met, the entire project will be considered as undelivered.

Requirements:

1. Implement a classification model using only **one** of the following algorithms (No additional algorithms must be included or evaluated in the project):
 - a) Logistic regression classifier
 - b) SVM classifier
 - c) Decision tree classifier
2. Use a scikit-learn pipeline object which contains all pre-processing, feature selection and training stages.
3. Your trained model must be **persisted** as name_lastname.pkl using **joblib** and submitted **with the provided model delivery template** with your additional code needed to load and predict data. (Ensure that the model will be executed and can predict without errors).

Expected delivery

You are expected to deliver in a zip file named as **name_lastname.zip**:

1. A .pdf report with the sections described below.
2. Your development, model training and model selection code.
3. Persisted model in name_lastname.pkl format and delivery template with the required code to run the persisted model.
4. Presentation slides.

Grading

Note: Max possible grade can be up to 110

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| Model ranking | F1 score model rank among all submissions | 15 | |
| Code | | 15 | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - High-level overview of dataset done - Initial data visualizations performed - Cleaned dataset used for further analysis - Sections and comments that make it easy to understand what's being done. - Algorithm selection reasons and interpretations are presented - Hyper parameter tuning for best performance done | | |
| Report | | 55 | |
| | Introduction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Summarize the purpose of the report and summarize the data / subject. - Include important contextual information about the reason for the report. - Summarize your analysis questions, your conclusions, and briefly outline the report. | | 5 |
| | Data: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Include written descriptions of dataset(s). - Analyze any bias and specific attention to features. | | 5 |
| | Methods: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Explain how you gathered and analyzed data. - Explain the algorithms you used.(Analysis, preprocessing, models) - Explain your training and parameter selection process.(Description and reasoning) | | 15 |
| | Results: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Describe the results of your analysis. - Provide all relevant metrics to evaluate the performance of your model. - Present metrics in an easy-to-understand format. | | 20 |
| | Conclusion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Restate the questions from your introduction. - Restate important results. - Include any recommendations for additional data as needed. | | 10 |
| Presentation | | 25 | |
| | Comprehensibility to those outside DS | | 5 |
| | Logic of presentation flow | | 5 |
| | Clear recommendations | | 5 |
| | Validity of ideas and strength of recommendation support | | 10 |