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http://discovermagazine.com/2016/sept/20-things-you-didnt-know-about--wine

Introduction

→ Wine quality is measured throughout the production of wine, and is critical for both wine producers and consumers.

- → Wine quality assessments usually include:
 - ◆ Physicochemical tests: wine density, pH, residual sugar, etc...
 - ◆ Sensory tests: rely on human experts to score the quality of wine.

→ Goal: Predict the subjective wine Quality score using the eleven physicochemical properties of wine.

Data handling

Data Description

Original wine data set: 1,599 for Red Wine, 4,898 for White Wine.

Predictors	Response
11 numeric physicochemical characteristics of wine, including fixed acidity, volatile acidity, citric acid, residual sugar, chlorides, free sulfur dioxide, total sulfur dioxide, density, pH, sulphates, alcohol.	Quality (default). The subjective score graded by tasters in sensory tests; an integer scalar ranging from 1 to 10. Class. The response we create by grouping Quality; letter A, B, and C.

Data handling

- → Create a second response Class by grouping Quality scores
 - ◆ Reduce the number of responses while retaining the order
- → Save 25% data as the final test dataset

Class	Class A			Class B		Class C	
	1,277		4,974		246		
Quality	Quality 9	Quality 8	Quality 7	Quality 6	Quality 5	Quality 4	Quality 3
	5	193	1,079	2,836	2,138	216	30

Classification

→ Multinomial logistic regression

→ Linear Discriminant Analysis (LDA)

→ Quadratic Discriminant Analysis (QDA)

Classification - methodology

Step 1: from the training data file, splitting data into training and test data

Training data (50%)

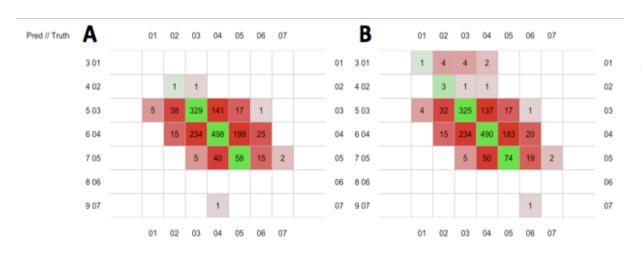
Test data(50%)

Step 2: training, testing, and reporting the training and test errors

Step 3: applying trained model to fit the data in the final test file and evaluating model performance as prediction error rate and model accuracy.

Step 4: applying step 2 and 3 to responses: Quality and Class

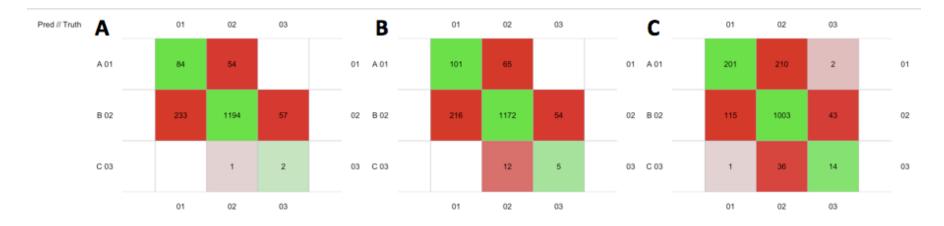
Classification - Quality as the response



A: multinomial logistic regression

B: LDA

Classification - Class as the response



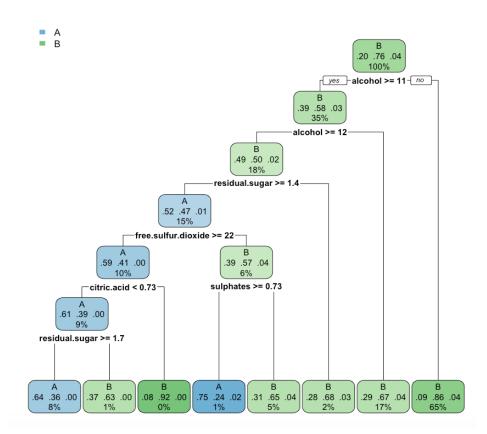
- A. Multinomial logistic regression
- B. LDA
- C. QDA

Classification methods performance

	Multinomial Logistic regression		L	QDA	
	Quality	Class	Quality	Class	Class
Training error	0.464	0.218	0.468	0.224	0.406
Test error	0.459	0.227	0.469	0.23	0.285
Final test error	0.455	0.212	0.451	0.214	0.251
Model accuracy (%)	54.52%	78.77%	54.95%	78.65%	74.95%

Decision Trees

- → Package: rpart
- → Input: all 11 variables
- → Methods: Tree, Prune
- → Predicts: Class, Quality



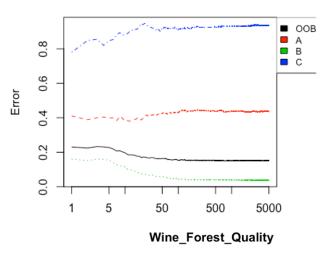
Random Forests

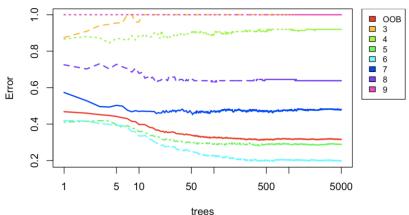
→ Package: RandomForest

→ Input: all 11 variables

→ Predicts: Class, Quality







Model performance

Class	Decision Tree (pruned)	Random Forest (ntree=5000)
Training error	0.235	
Final test error	0.209	0.143 (OOB = 0.1502)
Model accuracy %	79.14	85.85

Quality	Decision Tree (pruned)	Random Forest (ntree=5000)
Training error	0.472	
Final test error	0.462	0.302
Model accuracy (%)	53.8	69.8

Support vector machines (SVM)

- → Quality prediction and Class prediction
- → Four kernels:
 - Linear
 - Polynomial
 - Radial
 - Sigmoid
- → Tune by cross validations
- → Evaluate performance using the final test dataset

Model performance on Quality prediction

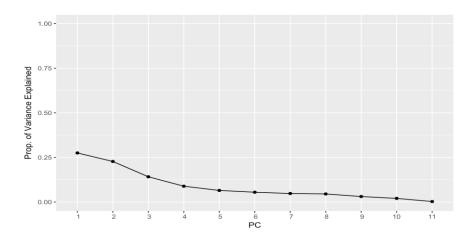
Kernel	Parameters	Training error	Test error	Final test error	Model accuracy (%)
Linear	cost = 0.1	0.471	0.461	0.455	54.5
Polynomial	degree = 5 coef0 = 0.5	0.411	0.479	0.449	55.1
Radial	gamma = 0.5	0.427	0.472	0.446	55.4
Sigmoid	cost = 0.1	0.514	0.486	0.480	52.0

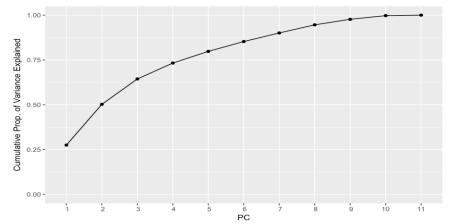
Model performance on Class Prediction

Kernel	Parameters	Training error	Test error	Final test error	Model accuracy (%)
Linear	cost = 1	0.234	0.237	0.231	76.9
Polynomial	degree = 4 coef0 = 0.5	0.182	0.215	0.202	79.8
Radial	cost = 10 gamma = 2	0.184	0.193	0.183	81.7
Sigmoid	cost = 0.1	0.239	0.243	0.236	76.4

Process data with PCA...

- → Scale = TRUE
- → Relatively flat scree plot
- → Pick PC4 (70%) and PC7 (90%)





Followed by Logistic regression and SVM

- → Class prediction
- → No big difference between PC4 and PC7
- → SVM radial slightly outperformed
- → PCA did not help...

	SVM	radial	Multinomia regre	•
	PC4 PC7		PC4	PC7
Parameters	cost = 1 gamma = 5	cost = 10 gamma = 5		
Training error	0.209	0.187	0.232	0.220
Test error	0.218	0.193	0.241	0.232
Final test error	0.241 0.232		0.258	0.299
Model accuracy (%)	75.9	76.8	74.2	70.1

Conclusions and future directions

Performance of best models from each category of methods

Model accuracy (%)	Random Forest	SVM with a radial kernel	Multinomial logistic regression
Quality prediction	69.8	55.4	54.5
Class prediction	85.9	81.7	78.8

Conclusions and future directions cont.

- → Predicting wine Quality based on physicochemical properties is challenging.
- → Wine Class is slightly easier to work with.
- → Random Forest, SVM (radial), and multinomial logistic regression are relatively good models.
- → Quality 5 and 6 & Class B have the most true positive predictions
- → PCA did not help, unfortunately...
- → Future studies could be feature engineering.