

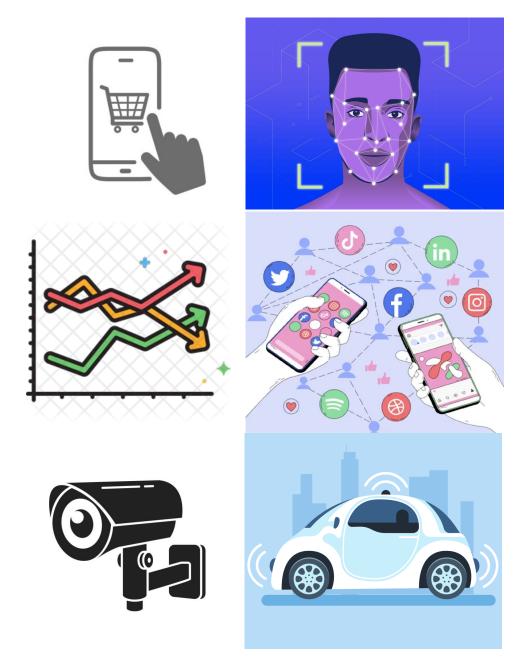
A guide to using R for ML

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Examples of ML







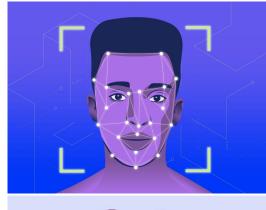
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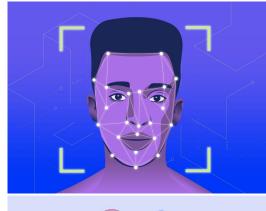
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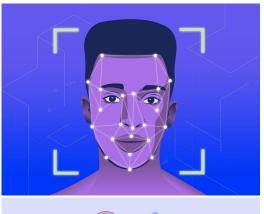
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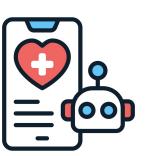












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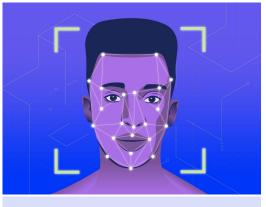
Scalability

Ability to handle millions or billions of data points.

















Disclaimer!

This talk will not cover:

- R vs python for ML
- How to choose ML methods
- Pros and cons of using R for ML

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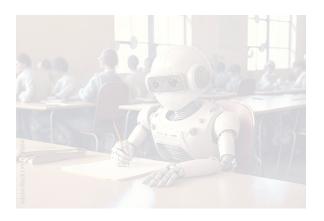
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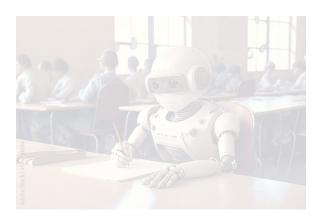
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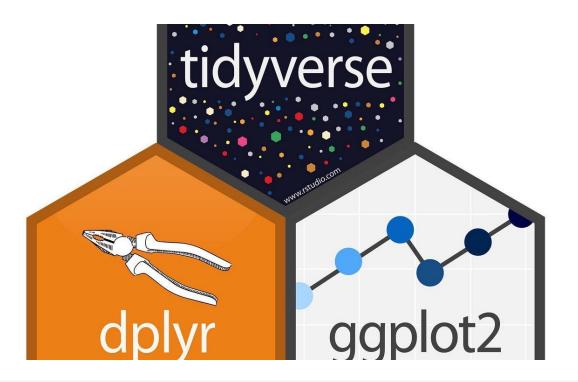
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- Exploratory data analysis
- Handle missing data
- Outliers
- Feature engineering
- Feature scaling
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```
# Example
library(dplyr)
library(ggplot2)

# Summary statistics
summary(mtcars)

# Visualization
ggplot(mtcars, aes(x=mpg, y=hp)) + geom_point()
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stekhoven/ missForest



missForest is a nonparametric, mixed-type imputation method for basically any type of data for the statistical software R.

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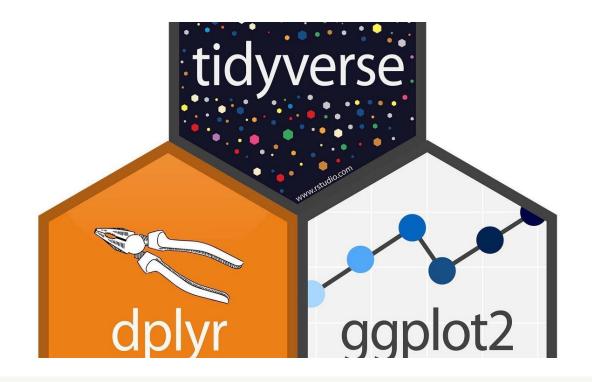
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# Example
library(mice)
library(missForest)

# Remove rows with missing values
clean_data <- na.omit(mtcars)

# Multiple imputation
imputed_data <- mice(mtcars, m=5, maxit=50, method='pmm', seed=500)

# Imputation using Random Forests
imputed_data_rf <- missForest(mtcars)</pre>
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# Example
library(dplyr)
library(ggplot2)

# Identify outliers using boxplot
boxplot(mtcars$mpg)

# Remove outliers
clean_data <- mtcars %>% filter(mpg < quantile(mpg, 0.95))</pre>
```

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```
# Example
library(dplyr)
library(caret)

# Create new variable
mtcars <- mtcars %>% mutate(power_to_weight = hp / wt)

# Create dummy variables
dummies <- dummyVars(~., data=mtcars)
mtcars_dummies <- predict(dummies, newdata=mtcars)</pre>
```

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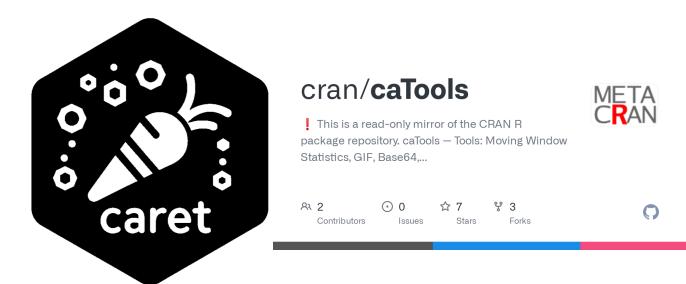


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# Example
library(caret)
library(scales)

# Standardize variables
scaled_data <- scale(mtcars)

# Pre-process using caret
preProc <- preProcess(mtcars, method=c("center", "scale"))
mtcars_scaled <- predict(preProc, mtcars)|</pre>
```

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```
# Example
library(caret)
library(caTools)

# Using caret
set.seed(123)
trainIndex <- createDataPartition(mtcars$mpg, p=0.7, list=FALSE)
train_data <- mtcars[trainIndex,]
test_data <- mtcars[-trainIndex,]

# Using caTools
set.seed(123)
split <- sample.split(mtcars$mpg, SplitRatio=0.7)
train_data <- subset(mtcars, split==TRUE)
test_data <- subset(mtcars, split==FALSE)</pre>
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Types of ML algorithms

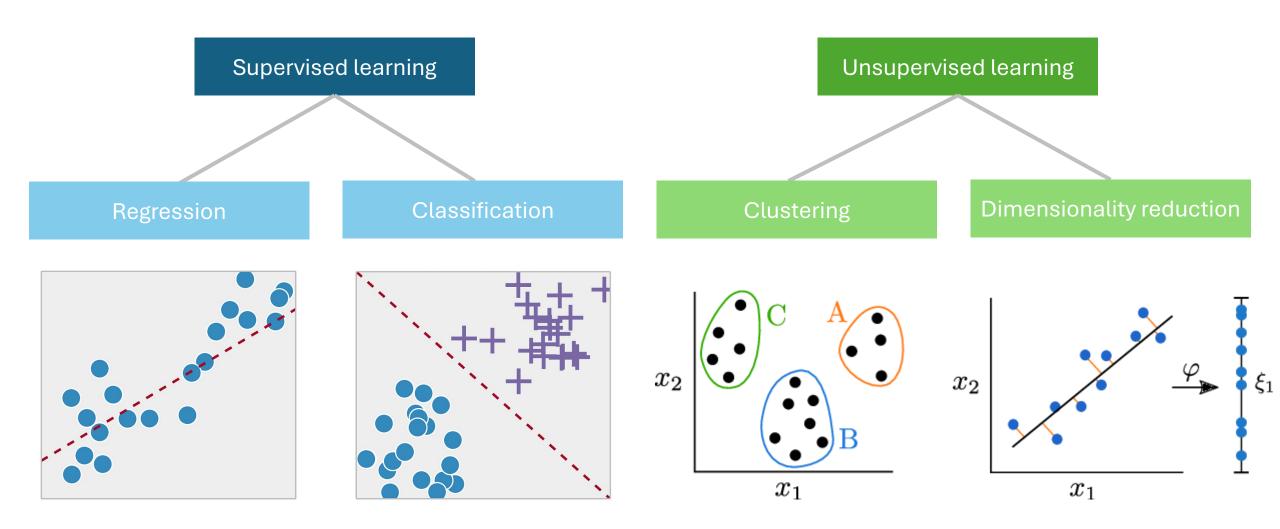
Supervised learning

- algorithm is trained on a labeled dataset
- each input is paired with the correct output

Unsupervised learning

- algorithm works with unlabeled data
- finds patterns or structures
- no explicit guidance

Types of ML algorithms



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Regression

- **glmnet:** For regularized generalized linear models (lasso, ridge, elastic net)
- randomForest or ranger: For random forest regression
- xgboost: For gradient boosting regression
- rpart: For decision tree regression
- **kernlab**: For support vector regression

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#glmnet: For regularized generalized linear models (lasso, ridge, elastic net)
# Example data
x \leftarrow matrix(rnorm(100*20), 100, 20)
y <- rnorm(100)
# Fit a lasso model
fit \leftarrow glmnet(x, y, alpha = 1)
#randomForest: For random forest regression
# Example data
data(iris)
set.seed(42)
# Fit a random forest model
fit <- randomForest(Sepal.Length ~ ., data = iris)</pre>
#xgboost: For gradient boosting regression
# Example data
data(iris)
set.seed(42)
train <- as.matrix(iris[, -1])</pre>
label <- iris$Sepal.Length</pre>
# Fit a gradient boosting model
fit <- xgboost(data = train, label = label, nrounds = 100, objective = "reg:squared
#rpart: For decision tree regression
# Example data
data(iris)
# Fit a decision tree model
fit <- rpart(Sepal.Length ~ ., data = iris)</pre>
#kernlab: For support vector regression
# Example data
data(iris)
# Fit a support vector regression model
fit <- ksvm(Sepal.Length ~ ., data = iris, type = "eps-svr")
```

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Classification

- caret: For various classification algorithms and model training
- randomForest: For random forest classification
- xgboost: For gradient boosting classification
- e1071: For support vector machines and naive Bayes
- rpart: For decision tree classification
- glmnet: For regularized logistic regression
- naivebayes: For naive Bayes classification

```
#caret: For various classification algorithms and model training
# Example data
data(iris)
set.seed(42)
# Train a model using caret
fit <- train(Species ~ ., data = iris, method = "rf")</pre>
#randomForest: For random forest classification
# Example data
data(iris)
set.seed(42)
# Fit a random forest model
fit <- randomForest(Species ~ ., data = iris)</pre>
#xgboost: For gradient boosting classification
# Example data
data(iris)
set.seed(42)
train <- as.matrix(iris[, -5])
label <- as.numeric(iris$Species) - 1</pre>
# Fit a gradient boosting model
fit <- xgboost(data = train, label = label, nrounds = 100, objective = "multi:soft;</pre>
#e1071: For support vector machines and naive Bayes
# Example data
data(iris)
# Fit a support vector machine model
fit_svm <- svm(Species ~ ., data = iris)</pre>
# Fit a naive Bayes model
fit_nb <- naiveBayes(Species ~ ., data = iris)</pre>
#rpart: For decision tree classification
# Example data
data(iris)
# Fit a decision tree model
fit <- rpart(Species ~ ., data = iris)</pre>
```

Unsupervised learning

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stats: For k-means clustering (built-in R package)

Clustering

- cluster: For various clustering algorithms including hierarchical clustering
- dbscan: For density-based clustering

```
#stats: For k-means clustering (built-in R package)
# Example data
data(iris)
# Perform k-means clustering
fit <- kmeans(iris[, -5], centers = 3)</pre>
#cluster: For various clustering algorithms including hierarchical clustering
# Install and load the package
install.packages("cluster")
library(cluster)
# Example data
data(iris)
# Perform hierarchical clustering
fit <- agnes(iris[, -5])</pre>
#dbscan: For density-based clustering
# Install and load the package
install.packages("dbscan")
library(dbscan)
# Example data
data(iris)
# Perform DBSCAN clustering
fit \leftarrow dbscan(iris[, -5], eps = 0.5, minPts = 5)
```

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Dimensionality reduction

- stats: For principal component analysis (PCA) (builtin R package)
- FactoMineR: For various dimensionality reduction techniques
- Rtsne: For t-SNE (t-Distributed Stochastic Neighbor Embedding)

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#stats: For principal component analysis (PCA) (built-in R package)
# Example data
data(iris)
# Perform PCA
fit <- prcomp(iris[, -5], scale. = TRUE)</pre>
#FactoMineR: For various dimensionality reduction techniques
# Install and load the package
install.packages("FactoMineR")
library(FactoMineR)
# Example data
data(iris)
# Perform PCA using FactoMineR
fit <- PCA(iris[, -5], graph = FALSE)
# Rtsne: For t-SNE (t-Distributed Stochastic Neighbor Embedding)
# Install and load the package
install.packages("Rtsne")
library(Rtsne)
# Example data
data(iris)
# Perform t-SNE
fit <- Rtsne(as.matrix(iris[, -5]))</pre>
```

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Testing ML models

Classification Metrics

- Accuracy using caret
- Precision and Recall using caret
- F1 Score using caret
- AUC-ROC using pROC or ROCit

Regression Metrics

- RMSE (Root Mean Squared Error)
- R-squared (R²)

Visualization Techniques

- ROC Curves
- Density Plots and Boxplots

```
# Load necessary libraries
library(caret)
library(pROC)
# Load dataset
data(mtcars)
# Split data into training and testing sets
set.seed(123)
trainIndex <- createDataPartition(mtcars$mpg, p = .8,</pre>
                                    list = FALSE,
                                    times = 1
trainData <- mtcars[ trainIndex,]</pre>
testData <- mtcars[-trainIndex,]</pre>
# Make predictions
predictions_prob <- predict(model, testData, type = "response")</pre>
predictions <- ifelse(predictions prob > 0.5, 1, 0)
predictions <- as.factor(predictions)</pre>
# Create a confusion matrix
conf_matrix <- confusionMatrix(predictions, testData$Species, positive = "1")</pre>
print(conf matrix)
# Extract metrics
accuracy <- conf_matrix$overall['Accuracy']</pre>
precision <- conf_matrix$byClass['Pos Pred Value']</pre>
recall <- conf_matrix$byClass['Sensitivity']</pre>
f1_score <- 2 * (precision * recall) / (precision + recall)
# ROC Curve
roc_obj <- roc(testData$Species, predictions_prob)</pre>
plot(roc_obj)
```

Conclusion

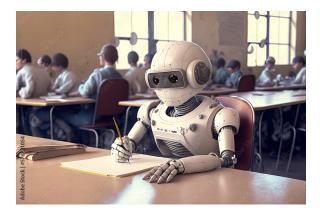
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