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Abstract

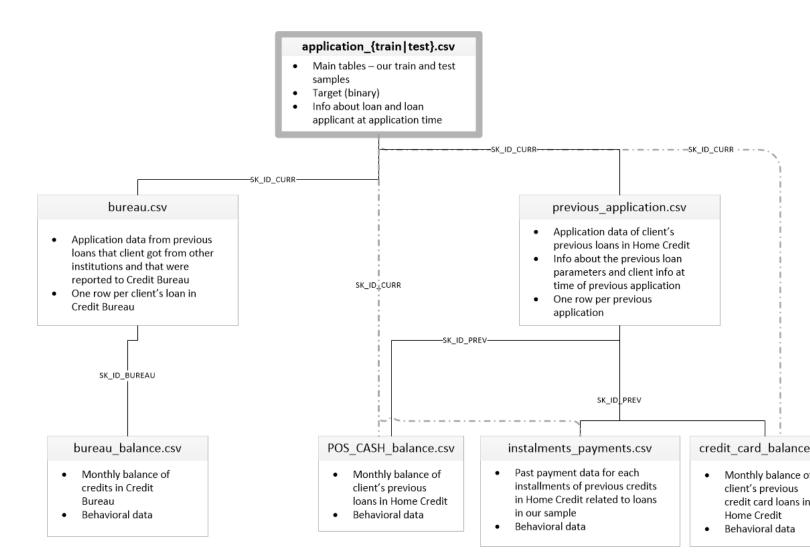
The goal of this project is to use a machine learning model that can predict whether or not someone would be able to repay a loan.

In Phase 1, we conducted EDA on not only the primary application data, but on every secondary database as well. We also create pipelines that use Scalars, Imputers, OHEs, and finally LinearRegression on both the primary and combined datasets. We used the features that had either high correlations with the target feature, or looked interesting when graphed during EDA.

We found that the vast majority of features available were not very useful, and so discarded many. The roc_auc score for the primary dataset alone was .7342, which would place us 5773th out of 7176 entries on the public leaderboards. The score for the combined data was .7401, which would place us at 5563th. Our future plans for increasing our score include testing multiple different learning algorithms beyond LinearRegression, which was chosen as a baseline due to its speed and simplicity.

Project Description

Our data is split up among several different CSV files and looks like this:



Application{train|test}.csv contains static data for all applications and one row represents one loan. SK_ID_CURR represents the ID for that row, which can be tied in with the other datasets for this problem. The other datasets can contain 0, 1, or more documents that correspond to the SK_ID_CURR, which will have to be accounted for in our feature engineering.

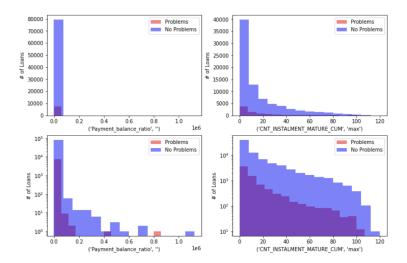
Our task was to combine the secondary and primary datasets and train a baseline model on that dataset. We figure out what features to use in training the model through EDA, using correlation and visualization to choose the best features.

EDA and EDA Visualization

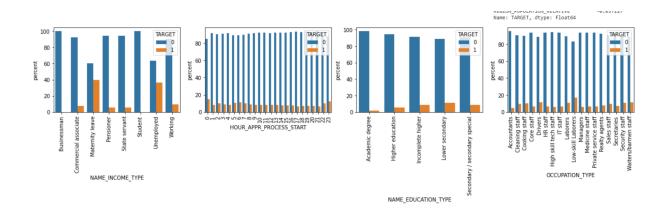
The above chart shows the most correlated features from all datasets, which we used in training. Any feature that is a pair came from a secondary dataset.

We also tried to create more features from our datasets, but the ones we created did not perform well, and were not used. The below chart shows one such feature, which is

the ratio of a credit payment over the total balance on that credit.



The next set of charts shows the most useful categorical features from the application dataset.



Results

	ExpID	ROC AUC Score	Cross fold train accuracy	Test Accuracy	Train Time(s)	Test Time(s)	Experiment description
0	Baseline	0.734214	92.0	91.7	178.7383	0.3048	Untuned LogisticRegression
1	Baseline w/ All Data	0.740142	92.0	91.7	223.1274	0.4201	Untuned LogisticRegression

We had 2 baseline models, one with only the application dataset, and one with all of the datasets. The ROC score of the first was 0.734214, and the second was 0.740142. So, there was a slight improvement from adding the new features and data, though it wasn't a lot. The train and test accuracy were 92 and 91.7 percent respectively, for both models. Clearly more feature engineering can be done, and we may want to refine our feature selection process.

Conclusion

Our goal is to build a machine learning algorithm that can predict whether or not someone will have trouble paying back a loan. This is important because an accurate prediction will be able to help those that are on the edge of getting a loan, but need one desperately. Well thought-out algorithms will be able to accurately predict such things, especially with the volume of data provided. So far, we have only used a baseline regression model and already we are seeing accuracy metrics in the around 92%. We will take this further with more feature engineering, and more clever models than linear regression.