personal motion recognition

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Introduction

Using devices such as Jawbone Up, Nike FuelBand, and Fitbit it is now possible to collect a large amount of data about personal activity relatively inexpensively. These type of devices are part of the quantified self movement. One thing that people regularly do is quantify how much of a particular activity they do, but they rarely quantify how well they do it.

Six young health participants were asked to perform one set of 10 repetitions of the Unilateral Dumbbell Biceps Curl in five different fashions: exactly according to the specification (Class A), throwing the elbows to the front (Class B), lifting the dumbbell only halfway (Class C), lowering the dumbbell only halfway (Class D) and throwing the hips to the front (Class E). Class A corresponds to the specified execution of the exercise, while the other 4 classes correspond to common mistakes. The goal of this project is to use data from accelerometers on the (1) belt (2) forearm (3) arm and (4) dumbell of the participants to identify the 5 correct and incorrect ways of barbell lifting.

Data Source

The training data for this project are available here: https://d396qusza40orc.cloudfront.net/predmachlearn/pml-training.csv

The test data are available here: https://d396qusza40orc.cloudfront.net/predmachlearn/pml-testing.csv

The dataset used in this project is a courtesy of "Ugulino, W.; Cardador, D.; Vega, K.; Velloso, E.; Milidiu, R.; Fuks, H. Wearable Computing: Accelerometers' Data Classification of Body Postures and Movements".

Date Processing

First we remove the columns with missing values. It turns out that the columns are such that either they contain no missing value or the vast majority of entries are missing values (19262 out of 19622).

```
suppressMessages(library(caret))
training <- read.csv('pml-training.csv')
## remove columns with NA
varcol <- sapply(training, function(x) sum(is.na(x))) == 0
training <- training[,varcol]</pre>
```

Now we extract the data produced from the four sensors on (1) belt (2) arm (3) dumbbell (4) forearm.

Finally we remove columns with near zero variance. It turns out that all the factor columns are such columns. This removal leaves the remaining columns with either numeric or integer class type.

```
nzv <- nearZeroVar(training)
colindx <- setdiff(colindx,nzv)
train <- training[,colindx]</pre>
```

Prediction Analysis

Detection Rate

We first separate the data into training and validation set.

```
inValid <- createDataPartition(y=train$classe,p=0.7,list=FALSE)
builddata <- train[inValid,]
validdata <- train[-inValid,]</pre>
```

```
Prediction using decision tree
set.seed(1)
library(rpart)
system.time(fittree <- rpart(classe~.,data=builddata,method='class'))</pre>
      user system elapsed
##
      1.91
              0.00
                      1.91
predtree <- predict(fittree, validdata, type='class')</pre>
cfmtree <- confusionMatrix(predtree, validdata$classe)</pre>
cfmtree
## Confusion Matrix and Statistics
##
             Reference
## Prediction
                Α
                      В
                           C
                                D
                                     Ε
                          24
##
           A 1500 191
                               50
                                    18
##
            В
                56 638
                          56
                               55
                                    84
            C
##
                46 134
                         860
                              156 131
##
            D
                46
                     83
                          62
                                    69
                              614
            Ε
##
                26
                     93
                          24
                               89 780
##
## Overall Statistics
##
##
                  Accuracy : 0.7463
                    95% CI: (0.735, 0.7574)
##
##
       No Information Rate: 0.2845
##
       P-Value [Acc > NIR] : < 2.2e-16
##
##
                     Kappa: 0.6786
  Mcnemar's Test P-Value : < 2.2e-16
##
##
## Statistics by Class:
##
##
                        Class: A Class: B Class: C Class: D Class: E
## Sensitivity
                          0.8961 0.5601 0.8382 0.6369
                                                               0.7209
## Specificity
                          0.9328
                                   0.9471
                                             0.9039
                                                      0.9472
                                                               0.9517
## Pos Pred Value
                          0.8413
                                   0.7177
                                             0.6481
                                                      0.7025
                                                               0.7708
## Neg Pred Value
                          0.9576 0.8997
                                             0.9636
                                                      0.9302
                                                               0.9380
## Prevalence
                          0.2845 0.1935
                                             0.1743
                                                      0.1638
                                                               0.1839
```

0.1461 0.1043

0.1325

0.2549 0.1084

```
## Detection Prevalence
                           0.3030
                                   0.1511
                                             0.2255
                                                      0.1485
                                                                0.1720
## Balanced Accuracy
                           0.9144
                                    0.7536
                                             0.8710
                                                      0.7920
                                                                0.8363
sprintf("Confusion matrix accuracy of decision tree is %.4f",cfmtree$overall[1])
## [1] "Confusion matrix accuracy of decision tree is 0.7463"
Prediction using linear discriminant analysis
system.time(fitlda <- train(classe~.,data=builddata,method='lda'))</pre>
##
      user system elapsed
                     11.17
##
      9.96
              1.21
predlda <- predict(fitlda,validdata)</pre>
cfmlda <- confusionMatrix(predlda, validdata$classe)</pre>
cfmlda
## Confusion Matrix and Statistics
##
             Reference
## Prediction
                 Α
                      В
                           C
                                D
                                     Ε
##
            A 1363
                    185
                          94
                                64
                                     34
##
            В
                38
                    702
                         106
                                42 189
            С
                    155
                         682
                               120
                                     92
##
               155
##
            D
              110
                     37
                         116
                               692 103
            Ε
##
                 8
                     60
                          28
                                46 664
##
## Overall Statistics
##
##
                  Accuracy : 0.6972
                    95% CI: (0.6853, 0.7089)
##
##
       No Information Rate: 0.2845
       P-Value [Acc > NIR] : < 2.2e-16
##
##
##
                     Kappa: 0.6168
  Mcnemar's Test P-Value : < 2.2e-16
##
## Statistics by Class:
##
##
                        Class: A Class: B Class: C Class: D Class: E
## Sensitivity
                           0.8142
                                  0.6163
                                             0.6647
                                                      0.7178
                                                                0.6137
## Specificity
                          0.9105
                                   0.9210
                                             0.8926
                                                      0.9256
                                                                0.9704
                                             0.5664
                                                      0.6541
## Pos Pred Value
                           0.7833 0.6518
                                                                0.8238
## Neg Pred Value
                          0.9250
                                   0.9091
                                             0.9265
                                                      0.9437
                                                                0.9177
## Prevalence
                           0.2845
                                    0.1935
                                             0.1743
                                                      0.1638
                                                                0.1839
## Detection Rate
                          0.2316
                                   0.1193
                                             0.1159
                                                      0.1176
                                                                0.1128
## Detection Prevalence
                           0.2957
                                    0.1830
                                             0.2046
                                                      0.1798
                                                                0.1370
## Balanced Accuracy
                           0.8623
                                   0.7687
                                             0.7786
                                                      0.8217
                                                                0.7921
sprintf("Confusion matrix accuracy of linear discriminant is %.4f",cfmlda$overall[1])
```

[1] "Confusion matrix accuracy of linear discriminant is 0.6972"

Prediction using random forest

```
ctrlrf <- trainControl(method='cv',number=3,verboseIter=FALSE)</pre>
system.time(fitrf <-train(classe~.,data=builddata,method='rf',trControl=ctrlrf))</pre>
##
      user system elapsed
              2.45 366.13
    361.50
## summary(fitrf$finalModel)
predrf <- predict(fitrf,validdata)</pre>
cfmrf <- confusionMatrix(predrf, validdata$classe)</pre>
## Confusion Matrix and Statistics
##
##
             Reference
                 Α
                      В
                            C
                                 D
                                      Ε
## Prediction
##
            A 1671
                      9
                            0
                                 0
##
            В
                 2 1127
                            8
                                 Ω
                                      1
            С
##
                 1
                      2 1013
                                13
                                      1
##
            D
                 0
                            5 951
                                      7
                      1
            Е
##
                 0
                       0
                            0
                                 0 1073
##
## Overall Statistics
##
##
                  Accuracy : 0.9915
##
                    95% CI: (0.9888, 0.9937)
##
       No Information Rate: 0.2845
##
       P-Value [Acc > NIR] : < 2.2e-16
##
                      Kappa: 0.9893
##
##
   Mcnemar's Test P-Value : NA
##
## Statistics by Class:
##
                         Class: A Class: B Class: C Class: D Class: E
##
## Sensitivity
                           0.9982 0.9895
                                            0.9873
                                                     0.9865
                                                                0.9917
## Specificity
                                    0.9977
                                             0.9965
                                                       0.9974
                                                                1.0000
                           0.9979
## Pos Pred Value
                           0.9946
                                    0.9903
                                             0.9835
                                                       0.9865
                                                                1.0000
## Neg Pred Value
                           0.9993 0.9975
                                             0.9973
                                                       0.9974
                                                                0.9981
## Prevalence
                           0.2845 0.1935
                                             0.1743
                                                       0.1638
                                                                0.1839
## Detection Rate
                           0.2839
                                    0.1915
                                             0.1721
                                                       0.1616
                                                                0.1823
## Detection Prevalence
                           0.2855
                                    0.1934
                                             0.1750
                                                       0.1638
                                                                0.1823
                           0.9980
                                    0.9936
                                             0.9919
                                                                0.9958
## Balanced Accuracy
                                                       0.9919
sprintf("Confusion matrix accuracy of random forest is %.4f",cfmrf$overall[1])
## [1] "Confusion matrix accuracy of random forest is 0.9915"
Prediction using gradient boosting model
ctrlgbm <- trainControl(method='repeatedcv',number=3,repeats=1)</pre>
system.time(fitgbm <- train(classe~.,data=builddata,method='gbm',</pre>
                                     trControl=ctrlgbm, verbose=FALSE))
```

system elapsed

0.67 151.86

user

150.89

##

```
## summary(fitgbm$finalModel)
predgbm <- predict(fitgbm, validdata)</pre>
cfmgbm <- confusionMatrix(predgbm, validdata$classe)</pre>
cfmgbm
## Confusion Matrix and Statistics
##
##
             Reference
                  Α
                       В
                             C
                                  D
                                       Ε
## Prediction
                                       2
##
             A 1647
                      46
                             0
                                  1
##
            В
                 12 1058
                            37
                                  0
                                      12
##
             C
                 11
                      32
                          975
                                 29
                                       5
##
            D
                  2
                                      12
                       1
                            12
                                926
                  2
                       2
##
             Ε
                             2
                                  8 1051
##
  Overall Statistics
##
                   Accuracy : 0.9613
##
##
                     95% CI: (0.956, 0.966)
##
       No Information Rate: 0.2845
       P-Value [Acc > NIR] : < 2.2e-16
##
##
##
                      Kappa: 0.951
##
    Mcnemar's Test P-Value: 4.242e-07
##
## Statistics by Class:
##
##
                          Class: A Class: B Class: C Class: D Class: E
## Sensitivity
                            0.9839
                                     0.9289
                                               0.9503
                                                         0.9606
                                                                   0.9713
## Specificity
                            0.9884
                                     0.9871
                                               0.9842
                                                         0.9945
                                                                   0.9971
## Pos Pred Value
                            0.9711
                                     0.9455
                                               0.9268
                                                         0.9717
                                                                   0.9869
## Neg Pred Value
                            0.9936
                                     0.9830
                                               0.9894
                                                         0.9923
                                                                   0.9936
## Prevalence
                            0.2845
                                               0.1743
                                                                   0.1839
                                     0.1935
                                                         0.1638
## Detection Rate
                            0.2799
                                     0.1798
                                               0.1657
                                                         0.1573
                                                                   0.1786
## Detection Prevalence
                            0.2882
                                     0.1901
                                               0.1788
                                                         0.1619
                                                                   0.1810
## Balanced Accuracy
                            0.9861
                                     0.9580
                                               0.9672
                                                         0.9775
                                                                   0.9842
sprintf("Confusion matrix accuracy of boosted trees is %.4f",cfmgbm$overall[1])
```

```
## [1] "Confusion matrix accuracy of boosted trees is 0.9613"
```

Comparing the four models above we see that random forest yields the best accuracy yet it takes the longest time, which is followed by gradient boosting, decision trees and linear discriminant analysis. In fact the performance of random forest and gradient boosting machine are comparable yet random forest takes almost twice as long time to finish. Although this may not be a big issue for such a small data set the tradeoff should be made between accuracy and computational cost when choosing from random forest and gradient boosting for big data classification.

Predicting Test Data

We now use the best prediction model found above to predict test data.

```
testing <- read.csv('pml-testing.csv')
testing <- testing[,varcol]</pre>
```

```
test <- testing[,colindx]
quizans <- predict(fitrf,test)
quizans</pre>
```

[1] B A B A A E D B A A B C B A E E A B B B ## Levels: A B C D E

Appendix

Among the four models only the decision tree yields a fairly interpretable model. The rest works like a black box. We hence only plot the decision tree model below.

library(rpart.plot)
prp(fittree)

