

# PATENT APPLICATION

## ML Feature Selection Algorithm for Enterprise Process Optimization

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### ABSTRACT

A system and method for automated feature selection in machine learning models applied to enterprise process optimization, comprising a multi-stage algorithmic approach for identifying, ranking, and selecting optimal feature sets from high-dimensional industrial sensor data and operational metrics. The invention employs a novel hybrid methodology combining statistical correlation analysis, information gain assessment, and recursive feature elimination within a distributed computing framework.

### BACKGROUND OF INVENTION

[0001] Enterprise digital transformation initiatives frequently encounter challenges in identifying relevant features from large-scale operational datasets. Traditional feature selection methods often prove computationally intensive and yield suboptimal results when applied to heterogeneous enterprise data sources.

[0002] Existing approaches typically rely on singular methodologies such as correlation-based feature selection (CFS) or principal component analysis (PCA), which may fail to capture complex interdependencies in industrial process data.

### SUMMARY OF INVENTION

[0003] The present invention provides a novel system and method for automated feature selection in machine learning applications, specifically optimized for enterprise operational data. The invention comprises:

- (a) A distributed preprocessing framework for handling multi-modal sensor data
- (b) A hybrid feature scoring algorithm incorporating multiple selection criteria
- (c) An adaptive threshold mechanism for feature importance evaluation
- (d) A recursive optimization process for feature subset selection

### DETAILED DESCRIPTION

[0004] The invention operates through the following components and processes:

### **Data Ingestion Layer**

[0005] The system accepts input from multiple data sources including:

- Industrial IoT sensor feeds
- Enterprise resource planning (ERP) system metrics
- Process control system logs
- Quality management system data

### **Feature Evaluation Engine**

[0006] The core feature selection algorithm employs a three-stage evaluation process:

#### **Primary Feature Scoring**

- Statistical correlation analysis
- Information gain calculation
- Variance inflation factor assessment

#### **Secondary Feature Validation**

- Cross-validation performance impact
- Feature stability measurement
- Collinearity detection

#### **Optimization Layer**

- Recursive feature elimination
- Ensemble model validation
- Performance threshold verification

## **CLAIMS**

A computer-implemented method for feature selection in machine learning models, comprising:

- (a) Receiving operational data from multiple enterprise data sources;
- (b) Performing distributed preprocessing of said data;
- (c) Executing a hybrid feature scoring algorithm;
- (d) Implementing recursive feature optimization;

(e) Outputting an optimal feature subset for model training.

The method of claim 1, wherein the hybrid feature scoring algorithm comprises:

- (a) Statistical correlation analysis;
- (b) Information gain assessment;
- (c) Variance inflation factor calculation;
- (d) Cross-validation performance evaluation.

A system for implementing the method of claim 1, comprising:

- (a) A distributed computing infrastructure;
- (b) A feature evaluation engine;
- (c) An optimization module;
- (d) A validation framework.

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## **ASSIGNMENT**

The inventors hereby assign all right, title, and interest in this patent application to Summit Digital Solutions, Inc., a Delaware corporation having its principal place of business at 2200 Innovation Drive, Suite 400, Boston, MA 02110.

## **DECLARATION**

I hereby declare that I am the original inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought; that I have reviewed and understand the contents of this application; and that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and correct.

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