

Model Evaluation

Test-driven Machine Learning

5.1 **Evaluation** and **Validation**.

Why do we need to evaluate models?

- To avoid overfitting/underfitting
- To ensure a model's prediction are reliable
- To evaluate how a model may work in real-world scenarios
- Aid engineers to make decisions about model deployment

How do we evaluate models?

- Any evaluation we make has to be an objective one
- There are several metrics to evaluate a model, for example:
 - Accuracy
 - Precision
 - Recall
 - F1-Score

5.2 Overfitting / Underfitting.

Understanding Overfitting

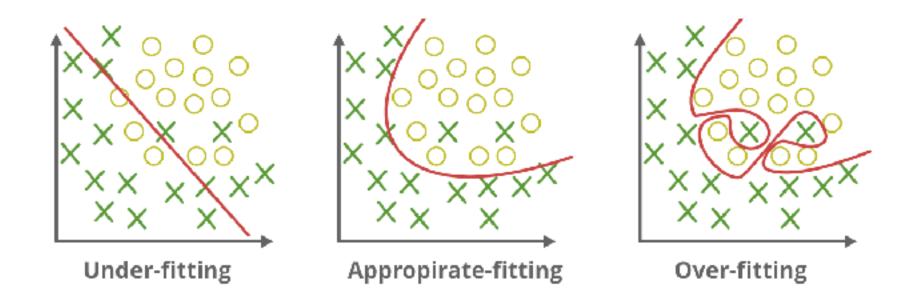
- Overfitting is when model memorizes training data
- This is the opposite of learning a pattern and generalizing
- We can identify if our model is overfitted if:
 - There is high performance on training data
 - There is poor performance on test data

Understanding Underfitting

- Underfitting happens when the model is too simple
- The underlying data patterns have not been captured
- We can identify if our model has underfitting if:
 - Low performance on training data
 - Low performance on test data

The Perfect Fit

- A perfect fit can be achieved
 - By first constructing good evaluation metrics to give us feedback on model performance
 - Then tuning hyper-parameters till the performance improves across the board



5.3 **Classification**Performance **Metrics**.

Accuracy

- Accuracy is calculated by dividing the total correct predictions with the total number of predictions
- Ideal Usage
 - When class distributions are balanced
 - Ex: Determining the winner in a sports match

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# Python Implementation
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from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score accuracy = accuracy_score(y_true, y_pred)
```

Precision

- Precision counts the true positives out of all the items
 predicted to be positive
- Ideal Usage
 - When the cost of false positive is too high
 - Ex: Email spam detection

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# Python Implementation
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from sklearn.metrics import precision_score precision = precision_score(y_true, y_pred)

Recall

- Recall counts how many of the true positive items were correctly classified
- Ideal Usage
 - When the missing a positive is too costly
 - Ex: Disease diagnosis

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# Python Implementation
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from sklearn.metrics import recall_score recall = recall_score(y_true, y_pred)

F1-Score

- The average of precision and recall
- Ideal Usage
 - When a balance between precision and recall is required, especially when there is class imbalance
 - Ex: Content Moderation System

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# Python Implementation

from sklearn.metrics import f1_score
f1 = f1_score(y_true, y_pred)
```

Python Implementation

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from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
from sklearn.datasets import load breast cancer
# Load a sample dataset
X, y = load_breast_cancer(return_X_y=True)
X train, X test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2)
# Train the model
clf = LogisticRegression(max_iter=5000)
clf.fit(X train, y train)
# Make predictions on test data
predictions = clf.predict(X_test)
```

5.4 **Regression**Performance **Metrics**.

Mean Absolute Error (MAE)

- The average of the absolute differences between the predicted values and actual values
- Ideal Usage: When you want to understand the magnitude of error without regard to direction, especially in contexts where large errors aren't more significant than small ones

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# Python Implementation

from sklearn.metrics import mean_absolute_error
mae = mean_absolute_error(y_true, y_pred)
```

Mean Squared Error (MAE)

- The average of the squared differences between the predicted values and actual values
- Ideal Usage: When larger errors are particularly undesirable and should be penalized more. Such as stock market predictions

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# Python Implementation

from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
mse = mean_squared_error(y_true, y_pred)
```

Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE)

- The square root of MSE, offering error magnitude in the same units as the predicted values
- Ideal Usage: When you want to interpret the error in the original unit and penalize larger errors. Such as predicting the price of houses

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# Python Implementation

import numpy as np

rmse = np.sqrt(mse) # assuming mse is already calculated
```

R-squared (Coefficient of Determination)

- Represents the proportion of variance for the dependent variable that's explained by independent variables
- Ideal Usage: When you want to understand the proportion of the dataset's variability captured by the model. Such as how much variance in exam scores are explained by hours studied

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# Python Implementation

from sklearn.metrics import r2_score
r2 = r2_score(y_true, y_pred)
```

Adjusted R-squared

- Modifies R-squared to account for the number of predictors in the model, penalizing excessive use of features
- Example: Predicting a car's fuel efficiency based on its attributes. Using too many irrelevant attributes might inflate Rsquared, but adjusted R-squared will provide a more tempered view

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n = len(y_true) # number of samples

p = X.shape[1] # number of predictors/features

adjusted_r2 = 1 - (1 - r2) * (n - 1) / (n - p - 1) # assuming r2 is calculated from the previous slide
```

Mean Bias Deviation (MBD)

- The average difference between the predicted and actual values, indicating the direction of the error
- Ideal Usage: When you're interested in the direction of the error (overestimation vs. underestimation). Helps vary it over or under the limits set

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# Python Implementation
mbd = np.mean((y_true - y_pred) / y_true) * 100 # Percentage error
```

END.