Introduction to Machine Learning in R with caret

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Part 1 - What is machine learning? What are the tenets, what is the basic workflow?

Discussion - two questions (5-minutes with the person sitting next to you - then we'll come together and discuss as a group)

- 1. What is machine learning?
- 2. How is it different than statistics?

Some important things to know and think about:

- 1. Prediction is usually more important than explanation
- 2. Two major types of problems regression and classification
- 3. Splitting the data to prevent overfitting

Classification Problem - Wine varietal identifier

Here is the scenario: we've been contacted by a famous vignter in Italy because she suspects that one of the prized varietals (a rare version of *Aglianicone* that her family has grown for 7 generations) from her vinyard has been stolen, and is being grown and sold to make competitively delicious wine in the United States. The competing winemaker claims that the varietal being grown in the US is from a closely related varietal from the same region, that he obtained legally.

Our customer has hired us to develop an algorithm to determine the likelihood that this is the wine being sold by the competitor was made from the varietal grown on her farm. Unfortunately, we don't have fancy genomic data to work with, but she has provided us with chemical profiles of a bunch of different wines made from both her grapes and two varietals that the competitor claims to be working with. The owner of the competing US vinyard has graciously provided us with the same type of data from a bunch of his wines to make comparisons on - he's looking to clear his name (and probably doesn't also believe that an algorithm can predict whether or not a given wine comes from a certain regional varietal)

Part 2 - Examining the Data

Getting libraries we need loaded
library(caret)
library(tidyverse)

```
#Reading in the data from the github repo
wine_data = read_csv("https://raw.githubusercontent.com/keatonwilson/classification_workshop_1/master/d
#https://bit.ly/2UYsxdJ
#Overviews
glimpse(wine_data)
## Observations: 178
## Variables: 14
## $ varietal
                     ## $ alcohol
                     <dbl> 14.23, 13.20, 13.16, 14.37, 13.24, 14.20, 14.3...
## $ malic_acid
                     <dbl> 1.71, 1.78, 2.36, 1.95, 2.59, 1.76, 1.87, 2.15...
## $ ash
                     <dbl> 2.43, 2.14, 2.67, 2.50, 2.87, 2.45, 2.45, 2.61...
## $ alkalinity
                     <dbl> 15.6, 11.2, 18.6, 16.8, 21.0, 15.2, 14.6, 17.6...
## $ magnesium
                     <dbl> 127, 100, 101, 113, 118, 112, 96, 121, 97, 98,...
## $ total_phenol
                     <dbl> 2.80, 2.65, 2.80, 3.85, 2.80, 3.27, 2.50, 2.60...
## $ flavanoids
                     <dbl> 3.06, 2.76, 3.24, 3.49, 2.69, 3.39, 2.52, 2.51...
## $ nonflav_phenols <dbl> 0.28, 0.26, 0.30, 0.24, 0.39, 0.34, 0.30, 0.31...
## $ proantho
                     <dbl> 2.29, 1.28, 2.81, 2.18, 1.82, 1.97, 1.98, 1.25...
## $ color
                     <dbl> 5.64, 4.38, 5.68, 7.80, 4.32, 6.75, 5.25, 5.05...
## $ hue
                     <dbl> 1.04, 1.05, 1.03, 0.86, 1.04, 1.05, 1.02, 1.06...
## $ OD
                     <dbl> 3.92, 3.40, 3.17, 3.45, 2.93, 2.85, 3.58, 3.58...
## $ proline
                     <dbl> 1065, 1050, 1185, 1480, 735, 1450, 1290, 1295,...
summary(wine_data)
       varietal
                       alcohol
                                      malic_acid
                                                         ash
##
   Min.
           :1.000
                           :11.03
                                           :0.740
                                                           :1.360
                    Min.
                                    Min.
                                                    Min.
   1st Qu.:1.000
                    1st Qu.:12.36
                                    1st Qu.:1.603
                                                    1st Qu.:2.210
  Median :2.000
                    Median :13.05
                                    Median :1.865
                                                    Median :2.360
## Mean
           :1.938
                    Mean
                           :13.00
                                    Mean
                                           :2.336
                                                    Mean
                                                           :2.367
##
   3rd Qu.:3.000
                    3rd Qu.:13.68
                                    3rd Qu.:3.083
                                                    3rd Qu.:2.560
   Max.
           :3.000
                    Max.
                           :14.83
                                    Max.
                                           :5.800
                                                    Max.
                                                           :3.230
##
                                                    NA's
                                                           : 1
##
      alkalinity
                      magnesium
                                      total_phenol
                                                       flavanoids
##
   Min.
           :10.60
                    Min.
                           : 70.00
                                     Min.
                                            :0.980
                                                     Min.
                                                            :0.340
   1st Qu.:17.20
                    1st Qu.: 88.00
                                     1st Qu.:1.742
                                                     1st Qu.:1.220
## Median :19.50
                                     Median :2.355
                    Median: 98.00
                                                     Median :2.140
## Mean
          :19.49
                    Mean
                         : 99.75
                                            :2.295
                                                     Mean
                                                            :2.036
                                     Mean
##
   3rd Qu.:21.50
                    3rd Qu.:107.00
                                     3rd Qu.:2.800
                                                     3rd Qu.:2.880
##
           :30.00
                           :162.00
   Max.
                    Max.
                                     Max.
                                            :3.880
                                                     Max.
                                                            :5.080
##
                    NA's
                                                     NA's
                                                            :1
##
                                         color
  nonflav_phenols
                        proantho
                                                           hue
           :0.1300
                            :0.410
                                            : 1.280
                                                             :0.4800
                     Min.
                                                      Min.
                                     1st Qu.: 3.220
  1st Qu.:0.2700
                     1st Qu.:1.250
                                                      1st Qu.:0.7825
## Median :0.3400
                     Median :1.560
                                     Median : 4.690
                                                      Median :0.9650
## Mean
           :0.3622
                     Mean
                            :1.593
                                     Mean
                                            : 5.058
                                                      Mean
                                                             :0.9574
   3rd Qu.:0.4400
                     3rd Qu.:1.950
                                     3rd Qu.: 6.200
                                                      3rd Qu.:1.1200
##
           :0.6600
                            :3.580
                                     Max.
                                            :13.000
                                                             :1.7100
  {\tt Max.}
                     Max.
                                                      Max.
##
   NA's
           :1
                     NA's
                            :1
##
          OD
                       proline
## Min.
           :1.270
                    Min.
                           : 278.0
## 1st Qu.:1.930
                    1st Qu.: 500.5
```

```
## Median :2.780 Median : 673.5
## Mean
         :2.608 Mean
                         : 746.9
## 3rd Qu.:3.170
                   3rd Qu.: 985.0
           :4.000
## Max.
                   Max.
                          :1680.0
## NA's
#making varietal a factor
wine_data = wine_data %>%
 mutate(varietal = as.factor(varietal))
#Checking for NAs
sum(is.na(wine_data))
## [1] 6
#Uh oh - conversation about missing data.
wine_data = wine_data %>%
 drop_na()
#or we can deal with it in pre-processing.
```

Ok, so this looks good. We have our item we want to classify in column 1, and all of our features in the rest. For our varietal numbers, 1 and 2 are the local varietals not owned by our customer, but varietal 3 is her special grape. So we're looking for the presence of any wines made from varietal 3 in the test set.

What do we need to do before we jump into to trying to build some algorithms?

Preprocess! In particular, we need to center and scale the data. caret can do this for us.

Part 3 - Preprocessing

```
#Setting up the preprocessing algorithm
set.seed(42)
#Train and test split
trainindex = createDataPartition(wine_data$varietal,
                                 p = 0.8,
                                 list = FALSE,
                                 times = 1)
wine_train = wine_data[trainindex,]
wine_test = wine_data[-trainindex,]
#We could also do some sort of imputation here.
pp = preProcess(wine data[,-1], method = c("center", "scale"), outcome = wine data$varietal)
wine_train_pp = predict(pp, wine_train)
wine_train_pp
## # A tibble: 140 x 14
##
     varietal alcohol malic_acid
                                      ash alkalinity magnesium total_phenol
##
      <fct>
                <dbl>
                            dbl>
                                    <dbl>
                                               <dbl>
                                                         <dbl>
                                                                      dbl>
## 1 1
                 1.50
                          -0.558
                                   0.229
                                              -1.15
                                                        1.91
                                                                      0.778
## 2 1
                 0.183
                           0.0255 1.10
                                              -0.252
                                                        0.0959
                                                                      0.778
## 3 1
                 0.281
                           0.232
                                 1.82
                                               0.466
                                                        1.28
                                                                      0.778
```

```
##
    4 1
                 1.46
                           -0.513
                                    0.302
                                                -1.27
                                                          0.865
                                                                         1.53
                                                                         0.299
##
   5 1
                                    0.302
                                                -1.45
                                                         -0.254
                 1.69
                           -0.414
##
   6 1
                 1.29
                           -0.163
                                    0.881
                                                -0.551
                                                          1.49
                                                                         0.459
   7 1
                           -0.154 -0.241
                                                -0.431
                                                          0.376
                                                                         1.02
##
                 1.34
##
    8 1
                 1.36
                           -0.764
                                   -0.169
                                                -0.790
                                                         -0.324
                                                                        -0.180
  9 1
                 0.907
                                                -1.03
##
                           -0.540
                                    0.157
                                                         -0.743
                                                                         0.459
                           -0.540
                                    0.0846
                                                -2.41
                                                         -0.603
## 10 1
                 2.13
                                                                         1.26
## # ... with 130 more rows, and 7 more variables: flavanoids <dbl>,
       nonflav_phenols <dbl>, proantho <dbl>, color <dbl>, hue <dbl>,
       OD <dbl>, proline <dbl>
#We also need to add this same processing algorithm to the test data.
wine_test_pp = predict(pp, wine_test)
```

Part 4 - Model Testing and Tuning

There are a ton of classification models to choose from - when starting ML stuff, this can be a really daunting part of the thing. Today, we're going to explore a couple of bread-and-butter models:

- 1. k-nn nearest neighbord classifier
- 2. Naive Bayes
- 3. Decision Trees
- 4. Support Vector Machines

I'm not going to go into the math of how all of these operate at all. It's the beyond the scope of this workshop, but here is a good overview: https://medium.com/@sifium/machine-learning-types-of-classification-9497bd4f2e14

One thing that we need to talk about briefly is resampling - this is the method we're going to use to assess how 'good' a model is, without applying it to the test data. There are a couple of main ways to do this:

- 1. bootstrapping random sampling within the dataset with replacement. Pulling a bunch of subsets of the data and looking at how the model performs across these subsets.
- 2. Repeated n-fold cross-validation does a bunch of splitting into training and test data **within** the training set, and then averages accuracy or RMSE across all these little mini-sets.

We're going to use the second type.

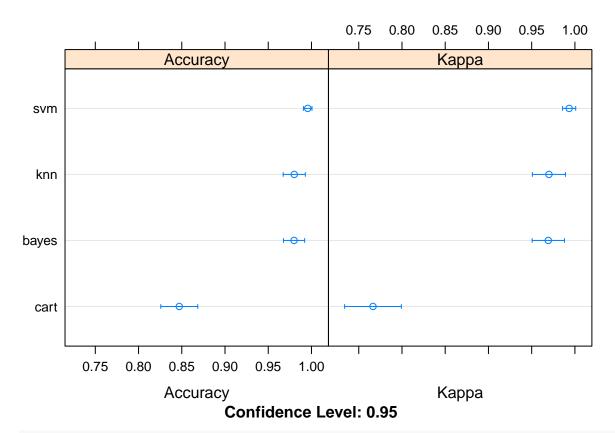
The models default to using accuracy as the score to determine how good they are. Accuracy is the

percentage of the predictions made by the model that are correct.

Kappa compares observed accuracy with expected accuracy (chance). Less misleading than simply accuracy.

Let's compare models

```
results = resamples(list(knn = knn_model, bayes = bayes_model, cart = cart_model, svm = svm_model))
summary(results)
##
## Call:
## summary.resamples(object = results)
##
## Models: knn, bayes, cart, svm
## Number of resamples: 25
##
## Accuracy
##
              Min.
                     1st Qu.
                                Median
                                            Mean
                                                    3rd Qu.
## knn
         0.8571429 0.9642857 1.0000000 0.9800912 1.0000000 1.0000000
## bayes 0.9259259 0.9642857 1.0000000 0.9798340 1.0000000 1.0000000
                                                                         0
## cart 0.7407407 0.8214286 0.8571429 0.8470929 0.8888889 0.9642857
                                                                         0
         0.9629630 1.0000000 1.0000000 0.9956614 1.0000000 1.0000000
##
## Kappa
##
                     1st Qu.
                                Median
                                                    3rd Qu.
              Min.
                                            Mean
                                                                 Max. NA's
         0.7874763 0.9459459 1.0000000 0.9699715 1.0000000 1.0000000
## bayes 0.8860759 0.9447732 1.0000000 0.9692260 1.0000000 1.0000000
                                                                         0
## cart 0.6078838 0.7233202 0.7821012 0.7664807 0.8298319 0.9456311
                                                                         0
         0.9432773 1.0000000 1.0000000 0.9933518 1.0000000 1.0000000
dotplot(results)
```



svm_model

```
## Support Vector Machines with Radial Basis Function Kernel
##
## 140 samples
   13 predictor
##
     3 classes: '1', '2', '3'
##
##
## No pre-processing
## Resampling: Cross-Validated (5 fold, repeated 5 times)
## Summary of sample sizes: 111, 112, 113, 112, 112, 112, ...
## Resampling results across tuning parameters:
##
##
     С
           Accuracy
                      Kappa
##
     0.25
           0.9799927
                      0.9693369
     0.50 0.9886170 0.9826210
##
##
     1.00
          0.9956614 0.9933518
##
## Tuning parameter 'sigma' was held constant at a value of 0.08359607
## Accuracy was used to select the optimal model using the largest value.
## The final values used for the model were sigma = 0.08359607 and C = 1.
We can also look at the relative amount of false negatives and false positives with a confusion matrix.
predictions = predict(svm_model, wine_train_pp)
confusionMatrix(predictions, wine_train_pp$varietal)
## Confusion Matrix and Statistics
##
##
             Reference
```

```
## Prediction 1 2 3
##
            1 48 0 0
##
            2 0 56 0
##
            3 0 0 36
##
## Overall Statistics
##
##
                  Accuracy: 1
##
                    95% CI: (0.974, 1)
##
       No Information Rate: 0.4
##
       P-Value [Acc > NIR] : < 2.2e-16
##
##
                     Kappa: 1
##
##
   Mcnemar's Test P-Value : NA
##
## Statistics by Class:
##
##
                        Class: 1 Class: 2 Class: 3
## Sensitivity
                          1.0000
                                      1.0
                                             1.0000
## Specificity
                          1.0000
                                      1.0
                                            1.0000
## Pos Pred Value
                          1.0000
                                      1.0
                                            1.0000
## Neg Pred Value
                          1.0000
                                      1.0
                                             1.0000
## Prevalence
                          0.3429
                                      0.4
                                            0.2571
## Detection Rate
                                      0.4
                          0.3429
                                            0.2571
## Detection Prevalence
                          0.3429
                                      0.4
                                             0.2571
## Balanced Accuracy
                          1.0000
                                       1.0
                                             1.0000
```

Not particularly informative, given the model did a 100% accurate job of predicting on the training-data, but you get the gist.

Part 5 - Using the model on out of sample test data.

```
wine_test_pp$pred = predict(svm_model, wine_test_pp)
wine_test_pp %>%
  select(varietal, pred) %>%
 print(n = 32)
## # A tibble: 32 x 2
##
      varietal pred
##
      <fct>
               <fct>
##
   1 1
               1
## 2 1
               1
## 3 1
               1
## 4 1
               1
## 5 1
               1
## 6 1
## 7 1
               1
## 8 1
## 9 1
               1
## 10 1
               1
## 11 1
               1
```

```
## 12 2
## 13 2
               2
## 14 2
               2
## 15 2
               3
## 16 2
               2
## 17 2
               2
## 18 2
               2
## 19 2
               2
## 20 2
               2
## 21 2
               2
## 22 2
               2
## 23 2
               2
## 24 2
               2
## 25 3
               3
## 26 3
               3
## 27 3
               3
## 28 3
               3
## 29 3
               3
## 30 3
               3
               3
## 31 3
## 32 3
               3
confusionMatrix(wine_test_pp$pred, wine_test_pp$varietal)
## Confusion Matrix and Statistics
##
             Reference
##
## Prediction 1 2 3
##
            1 11 0 0
##
            2 0 12 0
##
            3 0 1 8
##
## Overall Statistics
##
##
                  Accuracy : 0.9688
##
                    95% CI : (0.8378, 0.9992)
##
       No Information Rate: 0.4062
##
       P-Value [Acc > NIR] : 1.447e-11
##
##
                     Kappa: 0.9526
##
## Mcnemar's Test P-Value : NA
##
## Statistics by Class:
##
##
                        Class: 1 Class: 2 Class: 3
## Sensitivity
                          1.0000
                                 0.9231
                                           1.0000
## Specificity
                          1.0000
                                   1.0000
                                            0.9583
## Pos Pred Value
                          1.0000
                                   1.0000
                                            0.8889
## Neg Pred Value
                          1.0000
                                  0.9500
                                            1.0000
## Prevalence
                          0.3438
                                   0.4062
                                            0.2500
## Detection Rate
                          0.3438
                                   0.3750
                                            0.2500
## Detection Prevalence
                          0.3438
                                   0.3750
                                            0.2812
## Balanced Accuracy
                                   0.9615
                                            0.9792
                          1.0000
```

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```
#we can even look at that wine
wine_test_pp %>%
filter(pred != varietal)
```

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 15
##
    varietal alcohol malic_acid
                                    ash alkalinity magnesium total_phenol
##
     <fct>
                <dbl>
                           <dbl> <dbl>
                                             <dbl>
                                                        <dbl>
               0.0482
                            1.37 -0.169
                                             0.915
                                                        -1.02
                                                                     -1.06
## 1 2
## # ... with 8 more variables: flavanoids <dbl>, nonflav_phenols <dbl>,
      proantho <dbl>, color <dbl>, hue <dbl>, OD <dbl>, proline <dbl>,
       pred <fct>
```

Part 6 - Continuing Practice

Some resources if you want to get better at this:

- 1. Kaggle an online community of data scientists lots of cool datasets to play with, and competitions!
- 2. www.datacamp.com great series of lessons on machine learning, including classification and regression, with way deeper dives on the power of caret and other packages (python too!)
- 3. Machine Learning with R Brett Lantz. Great book!