

Example_PenalizedRegression

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Random Forest Modeling

“Random Forest is an ensemble machine learning technique capable of performing both regression and classification tasks using multiple decision trees and a statistical technique called bagging. Bagging along with boosting are two of the most popular ensemble techniques which aim to tackle high variance and high bias. - [Link here](#)”

Helpful conceptual resource: [Towards Data Science](#)

Random Forest in R Tutorial: [Link Here](#)

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# Random Forest Example
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```
library(randomForest)
```

```
## randomForest 4.6-14
```

```
## Type rfNews() to see new features/changes/bug fixes.
```

```
##
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```
## Attaching package: 'randomForest'
```

```
## The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':
```

```
##
```

```
##      combine
```

```
## The following object is masked from 'package:ggplot2':
```

```
##
```

```
##      margin
```

```
require(caTools)
```

```
## Loading required package: caTools
```

```
# Download data
```

```
data <- read.csv("~/Downloads/processed.cleveland.data", header = FALSE)
```

```
# Check data dimensions
```

```
dim(data)
```

```
## [1] 303  14
```

```
# Specify column names
```

```
names(data) <- c("age", "sex", "cp", "trestbps", "choi", "fbs",  
  "restecg", "thalach", "exang", "oldpeak", "slope", "ca",  
  "thai", "num")
```

```
# Check data
```

```
head(data)
```

```
##   age sex cp trestbps choi fbs restecg thalach exang oldpeak slope  ca  
## 1  63  1  1    145   233   1        2    150     0     2.3    3 0.0  
## 2  67  1  4    160   286   0        2    108     1     1.5    2 3.0  
## 3  67  1  4    120   229   0        2    129     1     2.6    2 2.0
```

```
## 4 37 1 3 130 250 0 0 187 0 3.5 3 0.0
## 5 41 0 2 130 204 0 2 172 0 1.4 1 0.0
## 6 56 1 2 120 236 0 0 178 0 0.8 1 0.0
## thai num
## 1 6.0 0
## 2 3.0 2
## 3 7.0 1
## 4 3.0 0
## 5 3.0 0
## 6 3.0 0
```

```
# To simplify the problem, we're only going to attempt to
# distinguish the presence of heart disease (values 1,2,3,4)
# from absence of heart disease (value 0). Therefore, we
# replace all labels greater than 1 by 1.
data$num[data$num > 1] <- 1
```

```
# Check summary data to make sure categorical variables are
# being correctly classified
summary(data)
```

```
##      age      sex      cp      trestbps
## Min.   :29.00  Min.   :0.0000  Min.   :1.000  Min.   : 94.0
## 1st Qu.:48.00  1st Qu.:0.0000  1st Qu.:3.000  1st Qu.:120.0
## Median :56.00  Median :1.0000  Median :3.000  Median :130.0
## Mean   :54.44  Mean   :0.6799  Mean   :3.158  Mean   :131.7
## 3rd Qu.:61.00  3rd Qu.:1.0000  3rd Qu.:4.000  3rd Qu.:140.0
## Max.   :77.00  Max.   :1.0000  Max.   :4.000  Max.   :200.0
##      choi      fbs      restecg      thalach
## Min.   :126.0  Min.   :0.0000  Min.   :0.0000  Min.   : 71.0
## 1st Qu.:211.0  1st Qu.:0.0000  1st Qu.:0.0000  1st Qu.:133.5
## Median :241.0  Median :0.0000  Median :1.0000  Median :153.0
## Mean   :246.7  Mean   :0.1485  Mean   :0.9901  Mean   :149.6
## 3rd Qu.:275.0  3rd Qu.:0.0000  3rd Qu.:2.0000  3rd Qu.:166.0
## Max.   :564.0  Max.   :1.0000  Max.   :2.0000  Max.   :202.0
##      exang      oldpeak      slope      ca      thai
## Min.   :0.0000  Min.   :0.00  Min.   :1.000  ? : 4  ? : 2
## 1st Qu.:0.0000  1st Qu.:0.00  1st Qu.:1.000  0.0:176 3.0:166
## Median :0.0000  Median :0.80  Median :2.000  1.0: 65 6.0: 18
## Mean   :0.3267  Mean   :1.04  Mean   :1.601  2.0: 38 7.0:117
## 3rd Qu.:1.0000  3rd Qu.:1.60  3rd Qu.:2.000  3.0: 20
## Max.   :1.0000  Max.   :6.20  Max.   :3.000
##      num
## Min.   :0.0000
## 1st Qu.:0.0000
## Median :0.0000
## Mean   :0.4587
## 3rd Qu.:1.0000
## Max.   :1.0000
```

```
# View type of each column
sapply(data, class)
```

```
##      age      sex      cp trestbps      choi      fbs restecg
## "numeric" "numeric" "numeric" "numeric" "numeric" "numeric" "numeric"
## thalach      exang      oldpeak      slope      ca      thai      num
```

```
## "numeric" "numeric" "numeric" "numeric" "factor" "factor" "numeric"
# As we can see, sex is incorrectly treated as a number when
# in reality it can only be 1 if male and 0 if female. We can
# use the transform method to change the in built type of
# each feature.

data <- transform(data, age = as.integer(age), sex = as.factor(sex),
  cp = as.factor(cp), trestbps = as.integer(trestbps), choi = as.integer(choi),
  fbs = as.factor(fbs), restecg = as.factor(restecg), thalach = as.integer(thalach),
  exang = as.factor(exang), oldpeak = as.numeric(oldpeak),
  slope = as.factor(slope), ca = as.factor(ca), thai = as.factor(thai),
  num = as.factor(num))
sapply(data, class)
```

```
##      age      sex      cp trestbps      choi      fbs  restecg
## "integer" "factor" "factor" "integer" "integer" "factor" "factor"
##  thalach  exang  oldpeak  slope      ca      thai      num
## "integer" "factor" "numeric" "factor" "factor" "factor" "factor"
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*# Now, the categorical variables are expressed as the counts
for each respective class. The ca and thai of certain
samples are ? indicating missing values. R expects missing
values to be written as NA. After replacing them, we can
use the colSums function to view the missing value counts
of each column.*

```
data[data == "?"] <- NA
colSums(is.na(data))
```

```
##      age      sex      cp trestbps      choi      fbs  restecg  thalach
##      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0
##  exang  oldpeak  slope      ca      thai      num
##      0      0      0      4      2      0
```

*# we're just going to replace the missing values for thai
with what is considered normal. Next, we're going to drop
the rows where ca is missing.*

```
data$thai[which(is.na(data$thai))] <- as.factor("3.0")
data <- data[!(data$ca %in% c(NA)), ]
colSums(is.na(data))
```

```
##      age      sex      cp trestbps      choi      fbs  restecg  thalach
##      0      0      0      0      0      0      0      0
##  exang  oldpeak  slope      ca      thai      num
##      0      0      0      0      0      0
```

*# If we run summary again, we'll see that it still views ? as
a potential class.*

```
summary(data)
```

```
##      age      sex      cp      trestbps      choi      fbs
## Min.   :29.00  0: 97    1: 23    Min.    : 94.0    Min.    :126.0  0:255
## 1st Qu.:48.00  1:202  2: 49    1st Qu.:120.0    1st Qu.:211.0  1: 44
## Median :56.00          3: 84    Median :130.0    Median :242.0
## Mean   :54.53          4:143    Mean    :131.7    Mean    :247.1
## 3rd Qu.:61.00          3rd Qu.:140.0    3rd Qu.:275.5
```

```
## Max. :77.00 Max. :200.0 Max. :564.0
## restecg thalach exang oldpeak slope ca
## 0:148 Min. : 71.0 0:201 Min. :0.000 1:140 ? : 0
## 1: 4 1st Qu.:133.0 1: 98 1st Qu.:0.000 2:138 0.0:176
## 2:147 Median :153.0 Median :0.800 3: 21 1.0: 65
## Mean :149.5 Mean :1.052 2.0: 38
## 3rd Qu.:165.5 3rd Qu.:1.600 3.0: 20
## Max. :202.0 Max. :6.200
## thai num
## ? : 0 0:161
## 3.0:166 1:138
## 6.0: 18
## 7.0:115
##
##
```

To get around this issue, we cast the columns to factors.

```
data$ca <- factor(data$ca)
data$thai <- factor(data$thai)
summary(data)
```

```
## age sex cp trestbps choi fbs
## Min. :29.00 0: 97 1: 23 Min. : 94.0 Min. :126.0 0:255
## 1st Qu.:48.00 1:202 2: 49 1st Qu.:120.0 1st Qu.:211.0 1: 44
## Median :56.00 3: 84 Median :130.0 Median :242.0
## Mean :54.53 4:143 Mean :131.7 Mean :247.1
## 3rd Qu.:61.00 3rd Qu.:140.0 3rd Qu.:275.5
## Max. :77.00 Max. :200.0 Max. :564.0
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## Mean :149.5 Mean :1.052 3.0: 20
## 3rd Qu.:165.5 3rd Qu.:1.600
## Max. :202.0 Max. :6.200
## thai num
## 3.0:166 0:161
## 6.0: 18 1:138
## 7.0:115
##
##
##
```

We're going to set a portion of our data aside for testing.

```
sample = sample.split(data$num, SplitRatio = 0.75)
train = subset(data, sample == TRUE)
test = subset(data, sample == FALSE)
dim(train)
```

```
## [1] 225 14
```

```
dim(test)
```

```
## [1] 74 14
```

Next, we initialize an instance of the randomForest class.

Unlike scikit-learn, we don't need to explicitly call the

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# fit method to train our model.
rf <- randomForest(num ~ ., data = train)

# By default, the number of decision trees in the forest is
# 500 and the number of features used as potential candidates
# for each split is 3. The model will automatically attempt
# to classify each of the samples in the Out-Of-Bag dataset
# and display a confusion matrix with the results.

# Now, we use our model to predict whether the people in our
# testing set have heart disease.

pred = predict(rf, newdata = test[-14])

# Since this is a classification problem, we use a confusion
# matrix to evaluate the performance of our model. Recall
# that values on the diagonal correspond to true positives
# and true negatives (correct predictions) whereas the others
# correspond to false positives and false negatives.
(cm = table(test[, 14], pred))

##      pred
##      0  1
## 0 36  4
## 1 10 24

```