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# Chapter 1

## Introduction

Apply various classification problems on the training data-set and assess the results on the blind test data-set, given two data-sets with N samples each, each assigned one of ten classes, and distinct input space dimensions, d.

I have considered for each data-set Decision Tree Classifier, Support Vector Machine Classifier and K-Nearest Neighbours Classifier.

- Decision Tree Classifier is a *supervised* machine learning algorithm that creates a tree-like structure of decision rules. It keeps splitting the data into smaller groups until it finds the best way to predict outcomes for new data. It works like a flowchart, where each step (node) separates the data based on certain characteristics until it reaches the purest possible subset (leaf node). Once the tree is constructed, it can be used to make predictions on new, unseen data. Decision trees can be prone to over-fitting, especially when the tree becomes overly complex.
- Support Vector Machine (SVM) Classifier is a *supervised* machine learning algorithm used mainly for classifying intricate data-sets. It works by identifying the best hyperplane that separates different classes within the data's feature space. This hyperplane can be a line for two classes, but for more classes, SVMs use kernel functions to map data into higher-dimensional spaces. However, SVMs might be sensitive to the choice of kernel and parameters and could face challenges when dealing with large data-sets due to their computational complexity.
- K-Nearest Neighbors (KNN) Classification is a simple yet effective supervised machine learning algorithm. It relies on similarity, not predefined parameters, and stores the entire training data-set in memory. When predicting a new data point's class, KNN measures similarity to all training points, selects the closest K neighbors, and determines the class by majority voting among these neighbors. However, KNN has downsides: it needs significant memory for large data-sets, can be slow in predictions due to computing similarities for all data points, and might struggle when irrelevant or noisy features are present.

For each Classification Algorithm it has been used three different data normalization techniques:

• StandardScaler() method executes a normalization technique known as standardization. This process transforms data by adjusting it to have a mean of 0 and a standard deviation of 1. It operates on each feature of the data-set independently, making the data more comparable across different features. The formula used by to scale a feature x is

$$z = \frac{x - \text{mean}(x)}{\text{standard deviation}(x)}$$

Where: z represents the standardized value of x, mean(x) denotes the mean of the feature x and standard deviation(x) denotes the standard deviation of the feature x.

- QuantileTransformer() function is used for normalization and transforms features to conform to a chosen probability distribution function. When choosing the "uniform" distribution (output\_distribution = "uniform"), it spreads the values uniformly across the range. This method works by computing the cumulative distribution function (CDF) of each feature and then applying the inverse of the CDF of the desired distribution to transform the data, ensuring it adheres to the specified distribution pattern.
- Normalizer() performs a type of normalization which rescales the values along rows such that the normalization is performed independently for each sample, treating each sample as a vector in a high-dimensional space performing L2 norm

$$x_{\text{normalized}} = \frac{x}{\|x\|_2}$$

The transformation does not consider relationships between features, it operates on each sample independently.

And last, for each data normalization technique it has been used Hyperparameters Tuning to find the best hyperparameters to improve the evaluation task for each classification algorithm.

#### • Decision Trees:

- -Criterion: The function used to measure the quality of a split (e.g., "gini" or "entropy").
- -Max Depth: The maximum depth of the tree. Controls how deep the tree can grow, limiting its complexity.
- -Min Samples Split: Minimum number of samples required to split an internal node. Helps prevent splitting nodes that have very few samples.
- -Min Samples Leaf: Minimum number of samples required to be a leaf node. Ensures that each leaf has a minimum number of samples.

Hyperparameter tuning is crucial to optimize the decision tree model's performance and prevent it from over-fitting or under-performing on unseen data.

#### • SVMs:

-C (Regularization parameter): Controls the trade-off between maximizing the margin and minimizing the classification error. Higher values of C allow more misclassifications on the training data but might generalize better, while lower

values enforce a larger margin but may lead to under-fitting.

- -Kernel: SVMs can use different kernel functions, in this case linear or polynomial. The choice of kernel significantly affects the decision boundary.
- -Degree (Degree of polynomial kernel): Applicable for polynomial kernels. It determines the degree of the polynomial function.

Proper tuning considering the problem domain and experimentation with different values is crucial for improving the SVM's predictive ability and generalization to unseen data.

#### • KNNs:

- -Number of Neighbors (K): The number of nearest neighbors considered when making predictions. Choosing an appropriate value for 'k' is crucial and affects the model's bias-variance trade-off.
- Weights: Options include uniform weights (all points in the neighborhood are weighted equally) and distance weights (closer neighbors have more influence).
- -Distance Metric: The distance metric used to measure the distance between points. It has been considered Euclidean distance, Manhattan distance and Chebyshev distance.

Optimizing the hyperparameters in KNN is essential for improving the model's accuracy and generalization ability.

For each classification algorithm it has been used RandomizedSearchCV() which randomly samples hyperparameter values from defined distributions. This method is often more efficient than GridSearchCV() and can sometimes find better results. It uses Cross-Validation (CV) which is essential for evaluating different hyperparameter sets to ensure robustness and avoid over-fitting on the validation set.

# Chapter 2

### Classification Task

After having imported **important libraries** and defined **useful functions** I have proceeded by **loading** the training data-sets data1.csv and data2.csv and the blind tests for evaluation blind\_test1.csv and blind\_test2.csv provided by Prof. Joschi

Each training set and blind test sets have the following structures

Index	X	Y
0	$[V_{1}^{0}, V_{2}^{0}, V_{3}^{0}, V_{4}^{0}, V_{j}^{0},, V_{d}^{0}]$	C <sub>k</sub>
i	$[V_1^i, V_2^i, V_3^i, V_4^i, \dots V_j^i, \dots, V_d^i]$	C <sub>k</sub>
N	$[V_{\ 1}^{N}, V_{\ 2}^{N}, V_{\ 3}^{N}, V_{\ 4}^{N}, \dots V_{\ j}^{N}, \dots, V_{\ d}^{N}]$	C <sub>k</sub>

Index	X
0	$[V_1^0, V_2^0, V_3^0, V_4^0, \dots V_j^0, \dots, V_d^0]$
i	$[V_1^i, V_2^i, V_3^i, V_4^i,, V_j^i,, V_d^i]$
N	$[V^{N}_{\ 1}, V^{N}_{\ 2}, V^{N}_{\ 3}, V^{N}_{\ 4}, \ldots V^{N}_{\ j}, \ldots, V^{N}_{\ d}]$

<sup>(</sup>a) Structure of training sets .csv files

(b) Structure of blind test sets .csv files

Figure 2.1: Structure of the different sets .csv files

For "Data-set 1" (data1.csv) one calls the two columns showed in Fig(2.1a)  $X_{-1}$  and  $Y_{-1}$  where the latter represents the labeled classes and for "Data-set 2" (data2.csv) one calls the two columns  $X_{-2}$  and  $Y_{-2}$  where the latter represents the labeled classes.

For "Blind Test 1" (blind\_test1.csv) one calls the column showed in Fig(2.1b)  $X\_b1$  for which one wants to predict the classes in Y and for "Blind Test 2" (blind\_test2.csv) one calls the column  $X\_b2$  for which one wants to predict the classes in Y.

Subsequently it has been done some **Data Exploration** and printed information on all four data-sets.

- Data-set1 has number of rows: 50 000, number of features: 100, number of classes: 10 called [ "class: 0", "class: 1", "class: 2", "class: 3", "class: 4", "class: 5", "class: 6", "class: 7", "class: 8", "class: 9"] and number of samples: 50 000.
- Data-set2 has number of rows: 50 000, number of features: 1 000, number of classes: 10 called [ "class: 0", "class: 1", "class: 2", "class: 3", "class:

- 4", "class: 5", "class: 6", "class: 7", "class: 8", "class: 9"] and number of samples: 50 000.
- Blind test 1 has number of rows: 10 000, number of features: 100, number of classes: 10 called [ "class: 0", "class: 1", "class: 2", "class: 3", "class: 4", "class: 5", "class: 6", "class: 7", "class: 8", "class: 9"] and number of samples: 10 000.
- Blind test 2 has number of rows: 10000, number of features: 1000, number of classes: 10 called [ "class: 0", "class: 1", "class: 2", "class: 3", "class: 4", "class: 5", "class: 6", "class: 7", "class: 8", "class: 9"] and number of samples: 10000.

In the code [Cartolano 2023] it has also been printed random samples for each data-set.

Figure 2.2: Sample example for Data-set 1

Last, before proceeding with the application of classifier algorithms data-sets have been **split** in training set and test set by using the  $\frac{2}{3}$  for training and  $\frac{1}{3}$  for testing rule as follows:

- Data-set 1: X1\_train = 33 350, X1\_test = 16 650 and Y1\_train, Y1\_test;
- Data-set 2: X2\_train = 33350, X2\_test = 16650 and Y2\_train, Y2\_test;

like shown in the next figure.

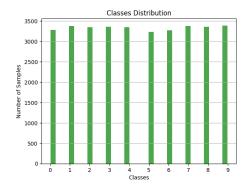
(a) First Training Sample for Dataset 1

(b) First Test Sample for Data-set 1

Figure 2.3: First Train and Test Samples for Data-set 1

Please note that only Data-set 1 examples have been shown in Fig.(2.2) and Fig.(2.3) because of the bigger size of Data-set 2.

Also observe in Fig.(2.4) that the Data-set 1 and Data-set 2 used for training are weakly unbalanced.





- (a) Classes Distribution of the training set for Data-set 1 (X1\_train, Y1\_train)
- (b) Classes Distribution of the training set for Data-set 2 (X2\_train, Y2\_train)

Figure 2.4: Classes Distribution of the training set for Data-set 1

Since this, follows my decision to not preprecess the data-sets to render them balanced.

After training and test one uses classification report, accuracy and confusion matrix to **evaluate** the best classification model for the data-sets.

Classification Report is a summary of the performance of a classification model that provides different metrics (such as precision, recall, f1-score and support) to evaluate the model's predictive ability on a specific data-set.

- Precision: measures the accuracy of positive predicted observations to the total predicted positive observations. High precision indicates a low false positive rate.
- Recall: measures the model's ability to correctly identify all positive instances to the actual positives in the data-set. High recall indicates a low false negative rate.
- F1-score: provides a measure of a model's accuracy that considers both the precision and recall of the model that represent the unbalance level for each class. A higher F1-score indicates better performing model for a particular class.
- Support: represents the number of samples in each class in the specified dataset. Classes with higher support values have more samples, while lower support values indicate fewer samples for that class.

Accuracy (accuracy\_score(Y\_test, Y\_predicted)) provides a general understanding of how often the model's predictions are correct across all classes in a classification problem. It is computed as

$$accuracy = \frac{\text{number of correct predictions}}{\text{total number of predictions}}$$

It prints as output also Macro Average (Macro Avg) and Weighted Average (Weighted Avg)

- Macro Avg: evaluates the overall performance of the classifier without considering class imbalance. Each class contributes equally to the final score. High Macro Avg score typically indicates that the model performs well across all classes without favoring or biasing towards any particular class.
- Weighted Avg: provides a better representation of the overall performance by considering the contribution of each class proportional to its size. High Weighted Avg score indicates that the model performs well across classes while accounting for class imbalance.

Confusion Matrix is a table that is used to describe and understand the performance of a classifier by presenting a comprehensive summary of the model's predictions versus the actual true values.

- True Positives (TP): The main diagonal elements of the matrix represent the number of instances correctly predicted for each class.
- True Negatives (TN): The number of instances that were correctly predicted as negative. In a multi-class confusion matrix, the term "True Negatives" is not directly applicable since it's a binary classification concept.
- False Positives (FP): The values in each row but not on the diagonal represent instances of other classes that were incorrectly predicted as belonging to that specific class.
- False Negatives (FN): The instances of the class being evaluated that were incorrectly classified as other classes. in a multi-class confusion matrix, the term "False Negatives" is not directly applicable as in binary classification.

#### 2.1 Data-set 1

In the following sections it will be shown different models with different normalization techniques and using then hyperparameters tuning.

#### 2.1.1 Decision Tree Classifier

After calling the function dt1\_classifier = tree.DecisionTreeClassifier(), which creates a decision tree model for classification tasks, it has been created a pipeline for each normalization technique described in Ch.(1): Introduction. Thereafter the model has been trained on (X1\_train, Y1\_train) and then tested on (X1\_test, Y1\_test).

#### StandardScaler()

Fig. (2.5a) shows the expansion of the Decision Tree Classifier for Data-set1 with normalization StandardScaler().

Fig.(2.5b) shows the classification report and the accuracy score of the considered model. Here one notices that

- Precision have high values which means low false positive rate, for example for class 0 is 0.99.
- Recall have high values which means low false negative rate for example for class 0 is 0.98.
- F1-score have high values which means very balanced classes and a well performing model as it was possible to see from Fig.(2.4a), for example for class 0 is 0.99.
- Support have almost the same value for all classes. Notice that class 0 = 1720, class 5 = 1769 and class 6 = 1723 have highest values than the other classes.
- Accuracy of 0,976 036 036 036 036 1 and training time of 5,253 447 771 072 388 seconds.
- Macro Avg: 0.98 is high, then the model performs well and does not favours any particular class.
- Weighted Avg: 0.98 is high, then the model performs well taking into account imbalances which are very weak, as shown in Fig.(2.4a).

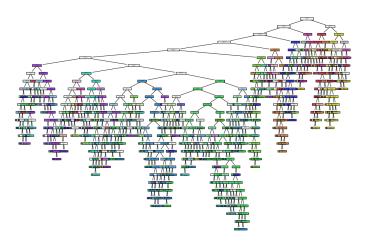
Observe that that the classification report for QuantileTransformer() (Fig.(2.6b)) and Normalizer() (Fig.(2.7b)) methods is almost the same, especially for the values of Support, Macro Avg and Weighted Avg. This is because these depend on the form of the data-set.

Fig.(2.5c) shows the confusion matrix from which one can notice that

- TP: in the main diagonal elements there are the number of instances correctly predicted, for example, in the cell corresponding to class 0, the value 1692 represents instances of the said class that were correctly classified as class 0.
- TN: not possible to read.
- FP: the elements outside the main diagonal represent instances that were "confused" for another class, for example in the row corresponding to class 0, the values (\, 1, 10, 2, 1, 0, 4, 0, 9, 1) represent instances of other classes misclassified as class 0.
- FN: not possible to read.

Notice that one of the worse performing classes is class 3: 1545 which is mostly mistaken as class 5 (61 times) and vice-versa (70 times). It has performing value equal to 0.93, recall equal to 0.94 and f1-score equal to 0.94.

Overall the performances of this model are very good.



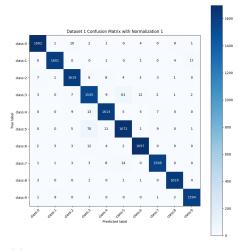
# (a) Decision Tree for Data-set 1 with normalization StandardScaler()

Training Set Evaluation on Dataset 1 using Decision Tree Classifier with Normalization 1: precision recall f1-score support 0.99 0.99 0.98 0.99 0.99 0.99 1720 1624 0.98 0.98 0.98 1654 0.94 0.94 1642 0.93 0.95 0.95 0.95 1769 1723 0.98 0.98 0.98 0.98 0.99 1618 1639 0.98 0.99 0.99

accuracy 0.98 0.98 0.98 16650
weighted avg 0.98 0.98 0.98 16650

Accuracy: 0.9760360360360361

# (b) Class Report for Data-set 1 with normalization ${\tt StandardScaler()}$



(c) Decision Matrix for Data-set 1
with normalization
StandardScaler()

Figure 2.5: Visualization and Evaluation of Decision Tree Classifier for Data-set 1 with normalization StandardScaler()

### QuantileTransformer(output\_distribution = 'uniform')

Fig.(2.6a) shows the development of the Decision Tree Classifier for Data-set1 with normalization QuantileTransformer(output\_distribution = 'uniform').

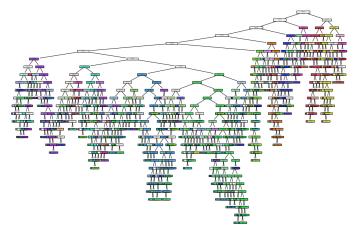
Fig.(2.6b) shows the classification report and the accuracy score of the considered model where it is possible to notice that

- Precision is the lowest for class 3: 0.93.
- Recall is the highest for class 8: 1.00 which has TP: 1631.
- F1-score have lowest value for class 3: 0.93 as it was possible to observe from Fig.(2.4a).
- $\bullet$  Accuracy of 0,976 816 816 816 816 9 and training time of 6,509 792 089 462 28 seconds.

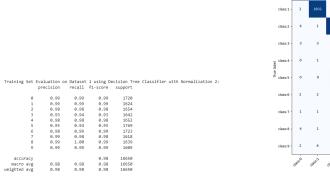
Fig. (2.6c) shows the confusion matrix from which one can notice that

- TP: class 6: 1698 represents instances of the said class that were correctly classified as class 6 and it has in fact the highest value of correct guesses.
- TN: not possible to read.
- FP: class 3: 1545 is mostly mistaken for class 5: 1672 (59 times) and vice-versa (70 times) which in fact have low precision and recall values.
- FN: not possible to read.

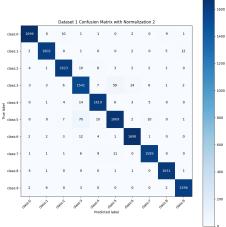
Overall the performances of this model are very good.



(a) Decision Tree for Data-set 1 with normalization
QuantileTransformer(output\_distribution =
'uniform')



(b) Class Report for Data-set 1 with normalization QuantileTransformer()



(c) Decision Matrix for Data-set 1
with normalization
QuantileTransformer()

Figure 2.6: Visualization and Evaluation of Decision Tree Classifier for Data-set 1 with normalization QuantileTransformer(output\_distribution = 'uniform')

#### Normalizer()

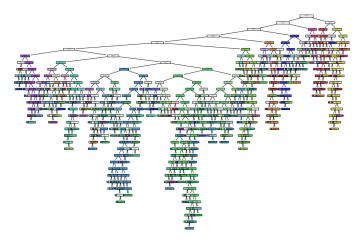
Fig.(2.7a) shows the development of the Decision Tree Classifier for Data-set1 with normalization Normalizer().

Fig.(2.7b) and Fig.(2.7c) shows the classification report, the accuracy score and the confusion matrix of the considered model. It is possible to do the same considerations done on previous normalization techniques especially for class 3, class 5, class 6 and class 8. This is because they all work in the same data-set, that has been split in the same way as shown in Fig.(2.4a).

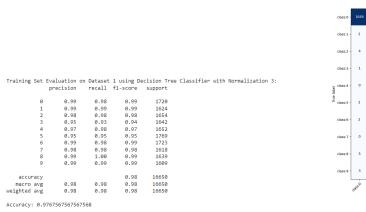
• Accuracy of 0,976 756 756 756 756 8 and training time of 5,334 468 603 134 155 seconds.

Notice once again that class 3: 1534 is mostly "confused" as class 5: 1688 (63 times) and vice-versa (57 times).

Overall the performances of this model are very good.



(a) Decision Tree for Data-set 1 with normalization Normalizer()



(b) Class Report for Data-set 1 with normalization  $\,$ 

Normalizer()

(c) Decision Matrix for Data-set 1
with normalization
Normalizer()

Figure 2.7: Visualization and Evaluation of Decision Tree Classifier for Data-set 1 with normalization Normalizer()

In **conclusion** the decision tree classifier with different normalisation techniques have all more or less the same performances but the best model is:

Decision Tree Classifier with QuantileTransformer(output distribution = 'uniform') with an accuracy of 0,9768168168168169 and a training time of 6,50979208946228 seconds.

The fastest model is:

Decision Tree Classifier with StandardScaler() with an accuracy of 0,976 036 036 036 and a training time of 5,253 447 771 072 388 seconds.

#### **Hyperparameter Tuning**

For Hyperparameter Tuning it has been implemented RandomizedSearchCV with number of iterations  $n_{iter} = 10$  and Cross-Validation cv = 3.

Let us compare the models with different normalization:

- StandardScaler() has best Decision Tree Classifier with { "classifier\_criterion": "gini", "classifier\_max\_depth": 12, "classifier\_min\_samples\_leaf": 1, "classifier\_min\_samples\_split": 2 } with accuracy of 0,979 459 459 459 459 4 and training time of 53,860 623 836 517 334 seconds.
- QuantileTransformer(output\_distribution = 'uniform') has best Decision Tree Classifier with { "classifier\_criterion": "gini", "classifier\_max\_depth' 12, "classifier\_min\_samples\_leaf": 1, "classifier\_min\_samples\_split": 2 } with accuracy of 0,980 360 360 360 360 3 and training time of 83,673 105 001 449 58 seconds.
- Normalizer() has best Decision Tree Classifier with { "classifier\_criterion": "gini", "classifier\_max\_depth": 11, "classifier\_min\_samples\_leaf": 3, "classifier\_min\_samples\_split": 9 } with accuracy of 0,980 660 660 660 660 7 and training time of 64,113 917 350 769 04 seconds.

In this case the decision tree classifier with different normalisation techniques performing hyperparameter tuning have all more or less the same performances but the best model is:

Decision Tree Classifier with Normalizer() with an accuracy of 0,980660660660660 and a training time of 64,11391735076904 seconds.

The fastest model is:

Decision Tree Classifier with StandardScaler() with an accuracy of 0,979459459459 and a training time of 53,860623836517334 seconds.

#### The Best Decision Tree Model for Data-set 1

tuning that uses StandardScaler() normalization

The best decision tree classifier for Data-set 1 is the one with hyperparameters:

{ "classifier\_criterion": "gini", "classifier\_max\_depth": 11, "classifier\_min\_s 3, "classifier\_min\_samples\_split": 9 }

that uses Normalizer() normalization,
has accuracy of 0,980 660 660 660 660 7

training and time of 64,113 917 350 769 04 seconds.

The fastest decision tree classifier for Data-set 1 is the one with no hyperparameter

has accuracy of  $0,976\,036\,036\,036\,036\,1$  and a training time of  $5,253\,447\,771\,072\,388$  seconds.

Please observe that with hyperparameter tuning one has the best performances but slower training time, on the other hand without hyperparameter tuning one has worse performances but the fastest training time.

### 2.1.2 Support Vector Machine (SVM) Classifier

After calling the function svm1\_model = svm.SVC(), which creates a Support Vector Classification (SVC) model, which is an implementation of the Support Vector Machine (SVM) algorithm for classification tasks, it has been created a pipeline for each normalization technique described in Ch.(1): Introduction. Thereafter the model has been trained on (X1\_train, Y1\_train) and then tested on (X1\_test, Y1\_test).

### StandardScaler()

Fig.(2.8a) shows the classification report and the accuracy score of the considered model where it is possible to notice that

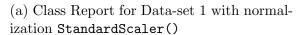
- Precision is the lowest for class 3: 0.97 but still very good performing.
- Recall have high values in general, for example for class 1: 1.00 which has TP: 1616.
- F1-score have high values in general so very good performing. For example class 9: 1.00 with TP: 1605.
- Support have almost the same value for all classes. Notice that class 0 = 1720, class 5 = 1769 and class 6 = 1723 have highest values than the other classes.
- $\bullet$  Accuracy of 0,989 309 309 309 309 3 and training time of 3,667 876 958 847 046 seconds.
- Macro Avg is high, then the model performs well and does not favours any particular class.
- Weighted Avg is high, then the model performs well taking into account imbalances which are very weak, as shown in Fig.(2.4a).

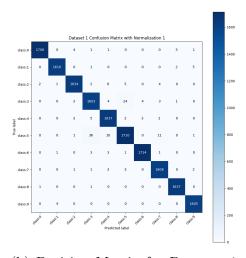
Observe that that the classification report for QuantileTransformer() (Fig.(2.9a)) and Normalizer() (Fig.(2.10a)) methods is almost the same, especially for the values of Support, Macro Avg and Weighted Avg. This is because these depend on the form of the data-set.

Fig. (2.8b) shows the confusion matrix from which one can notice that

- TP: for example class 6: 1714 represents instances of the said class that were correctly classified as class 6.
- TN: not possible to read.
- FP: class 3 is mostly mistaken for class 5 (24) and vice-versa (36) which in fact have lower precision and recall values.

Training Set	Evaluation	on Dataset	1 using S/	√V with Normalizat	ion 1
	precision	recall	f1-score	support	
0	1.00	0.99	1.00	1720	
1	1.00	1.00	1.00	1624	
2	0.99	0.99	0.99	1654	
3	0.97	0.98	0.97	1642	
4	0.98	0.99	0.99	1652	
5	0.98	0.97	0.97	1769	
6	1.00	0.99	1.00	1723	
7	0.99	0.99	0.99	1618	
8	1.00	1.00	1.00	1639	
9	0.99	1.00	1.00	1609	
accuracy			0.99	16650	
macro avg	0.99	0.99	0.99	16650	
weighted avg	0.99	0.99	0.99	16650	





(b) Decision Matrix for Data-set 1 with normalization StandardScaler()

Figure 2.8: Evaluation of SVM Classification for Data-set 1 with normalization StandardScaler()

• FN: not possible to read.

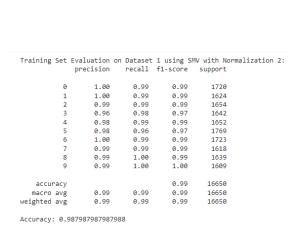
Overall the performances of this model are almost perfect.

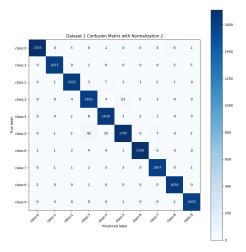
#### QuantileTransformer(output\_distribution = 'uniform')

Fig.(2.9a) and Fig.(2.9b) shows the classification report, the accuracy score and the confusion matrix of the considered model. It is possible to do again the same considerations done on previous normalization techniques. This is because they all work in the same data-set, that has been split in the same way as shown in Fig.(2.4a).

 $\bullet$  Accuracy of 0,987 987 987 987 988 8 and training time of 5,309 691 905 975 342 seconds.

Notice again that class 3 is "confused" by class 5 (23) and vice-versa (42). Overall the performances of this model are almost perfect.





(b) Decision Matrix for Data-set 1

- (a) Class Report for Data-set 1 with normalization
- with normalization
  QuantileTransformer()

QuantileTransformer()

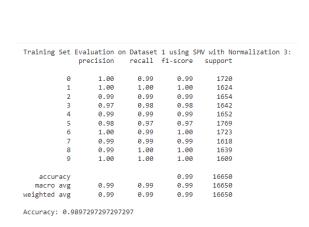
Figure 2.9: Evaluation of SVM Classifier for Data-set 1 with normalization QuantileTransformer(output\_distribution = 'uniform')

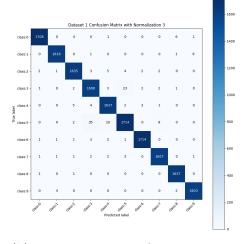
### Normalizer()

Fig.(2.10a) and Fig.(2.10b) shows the classification report, the accuracy score and the confusion matrix of the considered model.

• Accuracy of 0,9897297297297297 and training time of 2,3570070266723633 seconds.

Notice again that class 3 is "confused" by class 5 (23) and vice-versa (35). Overall the performances of this model are almost perfect.





(a) Class Report for Data-set 1 with normalization

(b) Decision Matrix for Data-set 1 with normalization
Normalizer()

Normalizer()

Figure 2.10: Evaluation of SVM Classifier for Data-set 1 with normalization Normalizer()

In **conclusion** the SVM classifier with different normalisation techniques have all more or less the same performances but the best model is: SVM Classifier with Normalizer() with an accuracy of 0,9897297297297

and a training time of 2,3570070266723633 seconds.

The fastest model happens to be the best model for SVM classifier.

#### Hyperparameter Tuning

For Hyperparameter Tuning it has been implemented RandomizedSearchCV with number of iterations n\_iter = 10 and Cross-Validation cv = 3.

Let us compare the models with different normalization:

- StandardScaler() has best SVM Classifier with { "svm\_C": 0,680 836 121 681 994 6, "svm\_kernel": poly, "svm\_degree": 2, } with accuracy of 0,989 069 069 069 069 1 and training time of 118,774 129 629 135 13 seconds.
- QuantileTransformer(output\_distribution = 'uniform') has best SVM Classifier with { "svm\_C": 0,6808361216819946, "svm\_kernel": poly, "svm\_degree": 2, } with accuracy of 0,9878078078079 and training time of 96,2341980934143 seconds.

In this case the SVM classifier with different normalisation techniques performing hyperparameter tuning have all more or less the same performances but the best model is:

SVM Classifier with Normalizer() with an accuracy of 0,989909909909909909 and a training time of 80,15363654818726 seconds.

The fastest model happens to be the same as the best model for SVM Classifier.

#### The Best SVM Model for Data-set 1

The best SVM Classifier for Data-set 1 is the one with hyperparameters: { "svm\_C": 0,6808361216819946, "svm\_kernel": poly, "svm\_degree": 2, } that uses Normalizer() normalization, has accuracy of 0,98990990990990999 and training time of 80,15363654818726 seconds.

The fastest SVM Classifier for Data-set 1 is the one with no hyperparameter tuning that uses SVM Classifier with Normalizer() with an accuracy of 0,9897297297297 and a training time of 2,3570070266723633 seconds.

Please observe that also with this model with hyperparameter tuning one has the best performances but slower training time, on the other hand without hyperparameter tuning one has worse performances but the fastest training time.

### 2.1.3 K-Nearest Neighbours (KNN) Classifier

After calling the function knn1\_model = KNeighboursClassifier(), which makes predictions based on the majority class among its k-nearest neighbors in the feature

space, it has been created a pipeline for each normalization technique described in Ch.(1): Introduction. Thereafter the model has been trained on (X1\_train, Y1\_train) and then tested on (X1\_test, Y1\_test).

#### StandardScaler()

Fig.(2.11a) shows the classification report and the accuracy score of the considered model where it is possible to notice that

- Precision is the lowest for class 3: 0.96.
- Recall is the lowest for class 3: 0.96 which has TP: 1590.
- F1-score have lowest value for class 3: 0.96 and class 5: 0.96 as it was possible to observe from Fig.(2.4a).
- Support have almost the same value for all classes. Notice that class 0 = 1720, class 5 = 1769 and class 6 = 1723 have highest values than the other classes.
- $\bullet$  Accuracy of 0,986 606 606 606 606 6 and training time of 0,081 340 789 794 921 88 seconds.
- Macro Avg is high, then the model performs well and does not favours any particular class.
- Weighted Avg is high, then the model performs well taking into account imbalances which are very weak, as shown in Fig.(2.4a).

Observe that that again the classification report for QuantileTransformer() (Fig.(2.12a)) and Normalizer() (Fig.(2.13a)) methods is almost the same, especially for the values of Support, Macro Avg and Weighted Avg. This is because these depend on the form of the data-set.

Fig. (2.11b) shows the confusion matrix from which one can notice that

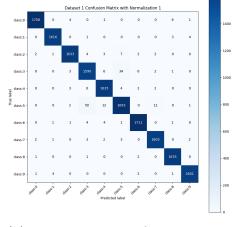
- TP: for example class 5: 1693 represents instances of the said class that were correctly classified as class 5.
- TN: not possible to read;
- FP: in fact class 3 is mostly mistaken for class 5 (34) and vice-versa (50) which in fact have low precision and recall values.
- FN: not possible to read.

Overall the performances of this model are almost perfect.

#### QuantileTransformer(output\_distribution = 'uniform')

Fig.(2.12a) and Fig.(2.12b) shows the classification report, the accuracy score and the confusion matrix of the considered model. It is possible to do again the same considerations done on previous normalization techniques. This is because they all work in the same data-set, that has been split in the same way as shown in Fig.(2.4a).

Training Set	Evaluation	on Dataset	1 using K	NN with Normalization :
II dilling Sec		recall		
0	1.00	0.99	0.99	1720
1	1.00	1.00	1.00	1624
2	0.99	0.99	0.99	1654
3	0.96	0.97	0.96	1642
4	0.98	0.99	0.99	1652
5	0.97	0.96	0.96	1769
6	0.99	0.99	0.99	1723
7	0.99	0.99	0.99	1618
8	0.99	1.00	1.00	1639
9	1.00	1.00	1.00	1609
accuracy			0.99	16650
macro avg	0.99	0.99	0.99	16650
weighted avg	0.99	0.99	0.99	16650



(a) Class Report for Data-set 1 with normalization StandardScaler()

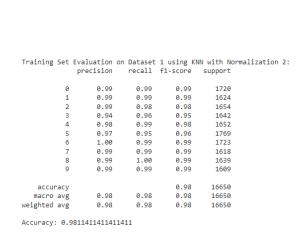
(b) Decision Matrix for Data-set 1 with normalization StandardScaler()

Figure 2.11: Evaluation of KNN Classification for Data-set 1 with normalization StandardScaler()

Accuracy of 0,981 141 141 141 141 1 and training time of 0,787 373 781 204 223 6 seconds.

Notice once again that class 3 is mostly "confused" as class 5 (44) and vice-versa (68).

Overall the performances of this model are very good.



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(a) Class Report for Data-set 1 with normalization

QuantileTransformer()

(b) Decision Matrix for Data-set 1 with normalization QuantileTransformer()

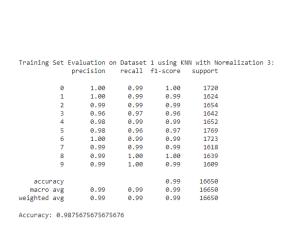
Figure 2.12: Evaluation of KNN Classifier for Data-set 1 with normalization QuantileTransformer(output\_distribution = 'uniform')

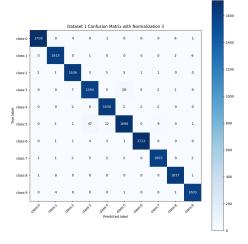
#### Normalizer()

Fig.(2.13a) and Fig.(2.13b) shows the classification report, the accuracy score and the confusion matrix of the considered model.

• Accuracy of 0,987 567 567 567 567 6 and training time of 0,038 421 869 277 954 1 seconds.

Notice again that class 3 is "confused" by class 5 (28) and vice-versa (47). Overall the performances of this model are almost perfect.





- (a) Class Report for Data-set 1 with normalization
  Normalizer()
- (b) Decision Matrix for Data-set 1 with normalization Normalizer()

Figure 2.13: Evaluation of KNN Classifier for Data-set 1 with normalization Normalizer()

In **conclusion** the KNN classifier with different normalisation techniques have all more or less the same performances but the best model is:

KNN Classifier with Normalizer() with an accuracy of 0,987567567567676 and a training time of 0,0384218692779541 seconds.

The fastest model happens to be the best model for KNN classifier.

#### **Hyperparameter Tuning**

For Hyperparameter Tuning it has been implemented RandomizedSearchCV with number of iterations  $n_{iter} = 10$  and Cross-Validation cv = 3.

Let us compare the models with different normalization:

- StandardScaler() has best KNN Classifier with { "knn\_n\_neighbors": 12 "knn\_weights": "uniform", "knn\_metric": "manhattan", } with accuracy of 0,988 228 228 228 228 2 and training time of 605,846 521 615 982 seconds.
- QuantileTransformer(output\_distribution = 'uniform') has best KNN Classifier with { "knn\_neighbors": 12, "knn\_weights": "uniform", "knn\_metric": "manhattan", } with accuracy of 0,9864264264264264 and training time of 631,3498845100403 seconds.

• Normalizer() has best KNN Classifier with { "knn\_n\_neighbors": 12, "knn\_weights": "uniform", "knn\_metric": "manhattan", } with accuracy of 0,9888288288288288 and training time of 611,4070842266083 seconds.

In this case the KNN Classifier with different normalisation techniques performing hyperparameter tuning have all more or less the same performances but the best model is:

KNN Classifier with Normalizer() with an accuracy of 0,9888288288288288 and training time of 611,4070842266083 seconds.

The fastest model is KNN Classifier with StandardScaler() with an accuracy of 0,988 228 228 228 228 2 and training time of 605,846 521 615 982 seconds.

#### The Best KNN Model for Data-set 1

The best KNN Classifier for Data-set 1 is the one with hyperparameters: {"knn\_n\_neighbors": 12, "knn\_weights": "uniform", "knn\_metric": "manhattan"} that uses Normalizer() normalization,

has accuracy of  $0,988\,828\,828\,828\,828\,828\,8$  and training time of  $611,407\,084\,226\,608\,3$  seconds

The fastest decision tree classifier for Data-set 1 is the one with no hyperparameter tuning that uses KNN Classifier with Normalizer() with an accuracy of 0,987 567 567 567 567 6 and a training time of 0,038 421 869 277 954 1 seconds.

Please observe that also with this model with hyperparameter tuning one has the best performances but slower training time, on the other hand without hyperparameter tuning one has worse performances but the fastest training time.

#### 2.1.4 Best Classifier for Data-set 1

Overall the best selected model for Data-set 1 is SVM Classifier using Normalizer() normalization with hyperparameter tuning:

The fastest selected training time model is KNN Classifier with Normalizer() with an accuracy of 0,9875675675675676 and a training time of 0,038421869277954 seconds.

Please observe that by using Hyperparameter Tuning one has to take into account the trade off between performances and training time.

From these results in fact one has better performances with hyperparameter tuning but faster training time without it.

With this type of data-set the differences between performances with and without hyperparameter tuning are on the order of decimals and so almost irrelevant.

With this best model one have performed Blind Test 1 evaluation and printed the results on a .csv file, how you can see in the code [Cartolano 2023].

### 2.2 Data-set 2

In the following sections it will be shown different models with different normalization techniques and using then hyperparameters tuning.

#### 2.2.1 Decision Tree Classifier

After calling the function dt2\_classifier = tree.DecisionTreeClassifier(), which creates a decision tree model for classification tasks, it has been created a pipeline for each normalization technique described in Ch.(1): Introduction. Thereafter the model has been trained on (X2\_train, Y2\_train) and then tested on (X2\_test, Y2\_test).

#### StandardScaler()

Fig.(2.14a) shows the expansion of the Decision Tree Classifier for Data-set 2 with normalization StandardScaler().

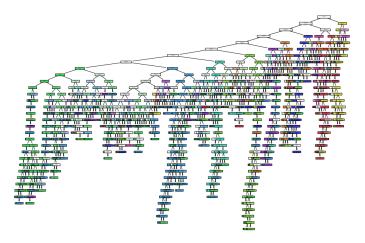
Fig.(2.14b) shows the classification report and the accuracy score of the considered model. Here one notices that

- Precision have high values which means low false positive rate, for example for class 0 is 0.98.
- Recall have high values which means low false negative rate for example for class 0 is 0.97.
- F1-score have high values which means very balanced classes and a well performing model as it was possible to see from Fig.(2.4b), for example for class 0 is 0.98.
- Support have almost the same value for all classes. Notice that class 0 = 1720, class 5 = 1769 and class 6 = 1723 have highest values than the other classes like it happens for Data-set 1.
- Accuracy of 0,950 330 330 330 330 3 and training time of 111,780 118 703 842 16 seconds.
- Macro Avg: 0.95 is high, then the model performs well and does not favours any particular class.
- Weighted Avg: 0.95 is high, then the model performs well taking into account imbalances which are very weak, as shown in Fig.(2.4b).

Observe that that the classification report for QuantileTransformer() (Fig.(2.15b)) and Normalizer() (Fig.(2.16b)) methods is almost the same, especially for the values of Support, Macro Avg and Weighted Avg. This is because these depend on the form of the data-set.

Fig. (2.14c) shows the confusion matrix from which one can notice that

• TP: in the main diagonal elements there are the number of instances correctly predicted, for example, in the cell corresponding to class 0, the value 1670 represents instances of the said class that were correctly classified as class 0.



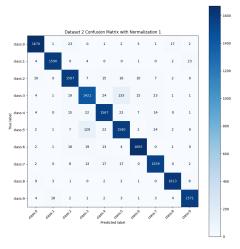
# (a) Decision Tree for Data-set 2 with normalization StandardScaler()

Training Set Evaluation on Dataset 2 using Decision Tree Classifier with Normalization 1: precision recall f1-score support

	precision	recall	+1-score	support
0	0.98	0.97	0.97	1720
1	0.98	0.98	0.98	1624
2	0.94	0.96	0.95	1654
3	0.88	0.87	0.87	1642
4	0.94	0.95	0.95	1652
5	0.89	0.89	0.89	1769
6	0.98	0.97	0.97	1723
7	0.96	0.96	0.96	1618
8	0.98	0.98	0.98	1639
9	0.98	0.98	0.98	1609
accuracy			0.95	16650
macro avg	0.95	0.95	0.95	16650
weighted avg	0.95	0.95	0.95	16650

Accuracy: 0.9503303303303303

# (b) Class Report for Data-set 2 with normalization StandardScaler()



(c) Decision Matrix for Data-set 2 with normalization StandardScaler()

Figure 2.14: Visualization and Evaluation of Decision Tree Classifier for Data-set 2 with normalization StandardScaler()

- TN: not possible to read.
- FP: the elements outside the main diagonal represent instances that were "confused" with another class, for example in the row corresponding to class 0, the values (\, 1, 23, 0, 1, 2, 4, 1, 17, 2) represent instances of other classes misclassified as class 0.
- FN: not possible to read.

Notice that one of the worse performing classes is again class 3 which is mostly mistaken as class 5 (133 times) and vice-versa (129 times), has performing value equal to 0.88, recall equal to 0.87 and f1-score equal to 0.87.

Overall the performances of this model are very good.

#### QuantileTransformer(output\_distribution = 'uniform')

Fig.(2.15a) shows the development of the Decision Tree Classifier for Data-set 2 with normalization QuantileTransformer(output\_distribution = 'uniform').

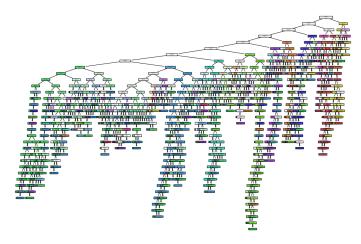
Fig.(2.15b) shows the classification report and the accuracy score of the considered model where it is possible to notice that

- Precision is the lowest for class 3: 0.87.
- Recall is the highest for class 8: 0.99 which has TP: 1615.
- F1-score have lowest value for class 3: 0.87 as it was possible to observe from Fig.(2.4b).
- Accuracy of 0,950 990 990 990 9 and training time of 108,359 912 872 314 45 seconds.

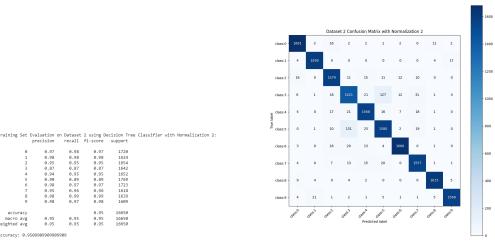
Fig. (2.15c) shows the confusion matrix from which one can notice that

- TP: for example class 6: 1681 represents instances of the said class that were correctly classified as class 6 and it has in fact the highest value of correct guesses.
- TN: not possible to read.
- FP: class 3 is mostly mistaken for class 5 (127) and vice-versa (131) which in fact have low precision and recall values.
- FN: not possible to read.

Overall the performances of this model are very good.



(a) Decision Tree for Data-set 2 with normalization QuantileTransformer(output\_distribution = 'uniform')



(b) Class Report for Data-set 2 with normalization

QuantileTransformer()

(c) Decision Matrix for Data-set 2 with normalization QuantileTransformer()

Figure 2.15: Visualization and Evaluation of Decision Tree Classifier for Data-set 2 with normalization QuantileTransformer(output\_distribution = 'uniform')

### Normalizer()

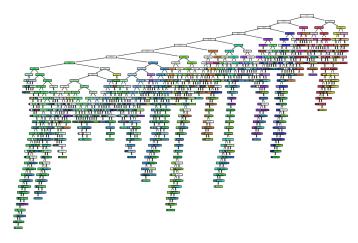
Fig. (2.16a) shows the development of the Decision Tree Classifier for Data-set 2 with normalization Normalizer().

Fig. (2.16b) and Fig. (2.7c) shows the classification report, the accuracy score and the confusion matrix of the considered model. It is possible to do the same considerations done on previous normalization techniques especially for class 3, class 5, class 6 and class 8. This is because they all work in the same data-set, that has been split in the same way as shown in Fig.(2.4a).

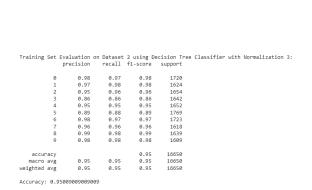
• Accuracy of 0,950 090 090 090 09 and training time of 68,616 325 139 999 39 seconds.

Notice once again that class 3 with TP: 1418 is mostly "confused" as class 5 (146 times) and vice-versa (154 times).

Overall the performances of this model are very good.

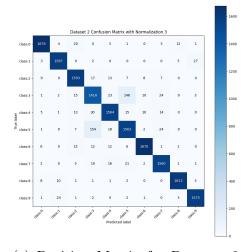


(a) Decision Tree for Data-set 2 with normalization Normalizer()



(b) Class Report for Data-set 2 with normalization

Normalizer()



(c) Decision Matrix for Data-set 2 with normalization Normalizer()

Figure 2.16: Visualization and Evaluation of Decision Tree Classifier for Data-set 2 with normalization Normalizer()

In **conclusion** the decision tree classifier with different normalisation techniques have all more or less the same performances but the best model is:

Decision Tree Classifier with QuantileTransformer(output distribution = 'uniform') with an accuracy of 0,9509909909909 and a training time of 108,35991287231445 seconds.

The fastest model is:

Decision Tree Classifier with Normalizer() with an accuracy of 0,950090090090 and a training time of 68,61632513999939 seconds.

#### **Hyperparameter Tuning**

For Hyperparameter Tuning it has been implemented RandomizedSearchCV with number of iterations  $n_{iter} = 10$  and Cross-Validation cv = 3.

Let us compare the models with different normalization:

- StandardScaler() has best Decision Tree Classifier with { "classifier\_criterion": "gini", "classifier\_max\_depth": 12, "classifier\_min\_samples\_leaf": 1, "classifier\_min\_samples\_split": 2 } with accuracy of 0,957 297 297 297 297 3 and training time of 547,149 544 000 625 6 seconds.
- QuantileTransformer(output\_distribution = 'uniform') has best Decision Tree Classifier with { "classifier\_criterion": "gini", "classifier\_max\_depth' 12, "classifier\_min\_samples\_leaf": 1, "classifier\_min\_samples\_split": 2 } with accuracy of 0,957 237 237 237 237 2 and training time of 770,375 849 962 234 5 seconds.
- Normalizer() has best Decision Tree Classifier with { "classifier\_criterion": "gini", "classifier\_max\_depth": 11, "classifier\_min\_samples\_leaf": 3, "classifier\_min\_samples\_split": 9 } with accuracy of 0,957 537 537 537 537 6 and training time of 506,349 608 421 325 7 seconds.

In this case the decision tree classifier with different normalisation techniques performing hyperparameter tuning have all more or less the same performances but the best model is:

the best model is:

Decision Tree Classifier with Normalizer() with an accuracy of 0,957537537537537 and a training time of 506,3496084213257 seconds.

The fastest model is:

Decision Tree Classifier with Normalizer() too

#### The Best Decision Tree Model for Data-set 2

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The best decision tree classifier for Data-set 2 is the one with hyperparameters:

{ "classifier_criterion": "gini", "classifier_max_depth": 11, "classifier_min_s 3, "classifier_min_samples_split": 9 }

that uses Normalizer() normalization,
has accuracy of 0,957 537 537 537 537 6

training and time of 506,349 608 421 325 7 seconds.

The fastest decision tree classifier for Data-set 2 is the one with no hyperparameter
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The fastest decision tree classifier for Data-set 2 is the one with no hyperparameter tuning that uses Normalizer() normalization

has accuracy of 0,950 090 090 090 09 and a training time of 68,616 325 139 999 39 seconds. Please observe that, also with Data-set 2, with hyperparameter tuning one has the best performances but slower training time, on the other hand without hyperparameter tuning one has worse performances but the fastest training time.

### 2.2.2 Support Vector Machine (SVM) Classifier

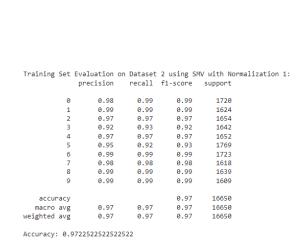
After calling the function svm2\_model = svm.SVC(), which creates a Support Vector Classification (SVC) model, which is an implementation of the Support Vector Machine (SVM) algorithm for classification tasks, it has been created a pipeline for each normalization technique described in Ch.(1): Introduction. Thereafter the model has been trained on (X2\_train, Y2\_train) and then tested on (X2\_test, Y2\_test).

#### StandardScaler()

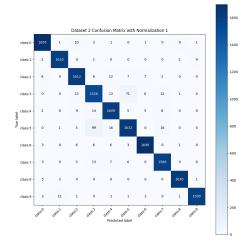
Fig.(2.17a) shows the classification report and the accuracy score of the considered model where it is possible to notice that

- Precision is the lowest for class 3: 0.92 but still good performing.
- Recall have the lowest value for class 5: 0.92 which has TP: 1632. This means it gets more false negatives than the other classes.
- F1-score have the lowest value for class 3: 0.92, so it is worse performing class.
- Support have almost the same value for all classes. Notice that class 0 = 1720, class 5 = 1769 and class 6 = 1723 have highest values than the other classes.
- Accuracy of 0,972 252 252 252 252 2 and training time of 48,304 715 156 555 176 seconds.
- Macro Avg: 0.97 is high, then the model performs well and does not favours any particular class.
- Weighted Avg: 0.97 is high, then the model performs well taking into account imbalances which are very weak, as shown in Fig.(2.4b).

Observe that that the classification report for QuantileTransformer() (Fig.(2.18)) and Normalizer() (Fig.(2.19)) methods is almost the same, especially for the values of Support, Macro Avg and Weighted Avg. This is because these depend on the form of the data-set.



(a) Class Report for Data-set 2 with normalization StandardScaler()



(b) Decision Matrix for Data-set 2 with normalization StandardScaler()

Figure 2.17: Evaluation of SVM Classification for Data-set 2 with normalization StandardScaler()

Fig.(2.17b) shows the confusion matrix from which one can notice that

• TP: for example class 6: 1698 represents instances of the said class that were correctly classified as class 6.

- TN: not possible to read.
- FP: class 3: 1526 is mostly mistaken for class 5 (71 times) and vice-versa (99 times) which in fact have lower precision and recall values.
- FN: not possible to read.

Overall the performances of this model are very good.

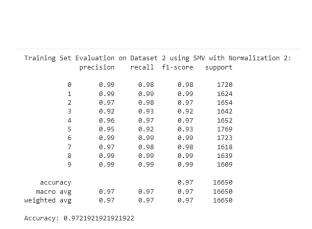
#### QuantileTransformer(output\_distribution = 'uniform')

Fig.(2.18a) and Fig.(2.18b) shows the classification report, the accuracy score and the confusion matrix of the considered model. It is possible to do again the same considerations done on previous normalization techniques. This is because they all work in the same data-set, that has been split in the same way as shown in Fig.(2.4b).

• Accuracy of 0,972 192 192 192 192 2 and training time of 49,397 754 669 189 45 seconds.

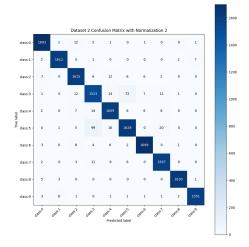
Notice again that class 3: 1523 is "confused" by class 5: 1628 (73 times) and vice-versa (99 time).

Overall the performances of this model are very good.



(a) Class Report for Data-set 2 with normalization

QuantileTransformer()



(b) Decision Matrix for Data-set 2 with normalization QuantileTransformer()

Figure 2.18: Evaluation of SVM Classifier for Data-set 2 with normalization QuantileTransformer(output\_distribution = 'uniform')

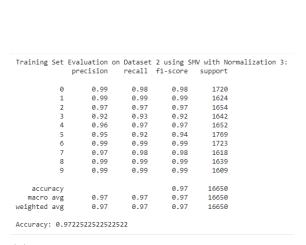
#### Normalizer()

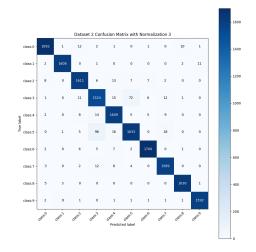
Fig.(2.19a) and Fig.(2.19b) shows the classification report, the accuracy score and the confusion matrix of the considered model.

• Accuracy of 0,972 252 252 252 252 2 and training time of 35,268 704 652 786 255 seconds.

Notice again that class 3: 1524 is "confused" with class 5: 1633 (72 times) and vice-versa (96 times).

Overall the performances of this model are very good.





- (a) Class Report for Data-set 2 with normalization
- Normalizer()

(b) Decision Matrix for Data-set 2 with normalization
Normalizer()

Figure 2.19: Evaluation of SVM Classifier for Data-set 2 with normalization Normalizer()

In **conclusion** the SVM classifier with different normalisation techniques have all more or less the same performances but the best model is:

The fastest model is SVM Classifier with Normalizer().

#### **Hyperparameter Tuning**

For Hyperparameter Tuning it has been implemented RandomizedSearchCV with number of iterations  $n_{iter} = 10$  and Cross-Validation cv = 3.

Let us compare the models with different normalization:

- StandardScaler() has best SVM Classifier with { "svm\_C": 0,6808361216819946, "svm\_kernel": poly, "svm\_degree": 2, } with accuracy of 0,9732732732732733 and training time of 1427,2707993984222 seconds.
- QuantileTransformer(output\_distribution = 'uniform') has best SVM
   Classifier with { "svm\_C": 0,6808361216819946, "svm\_kernel": poly,
   "svm\_degree": 2, } with accuracy of 0,9718318318318319 and training
   time of 1289,174940109253 seconds.

Normalizer() has best SVM Classifier with { "svm\_C": 1,660 186 404 424 365 3, "svm\_kernel": linear, "svm\_degree": 4, } with accuracy of 0,972 492 492 492 492 5 and training time of 923,951 044 797 897 3 seconds.

In this case the SVM classifier with different normalisation techniques performing hyperparameter tuning have all more or less the same performances but the best model is:

StandardScaler() has best SVM Classifier with { "svm\_C": 0,6808361216819946, "svm\_kernel": poly, "svm\_degree": 2, } with accuracy of 0,9732732732732733 and training time of 1427,2707993984222 seconds.

The fastest model happens to be Normalizer() has best SVM Classifier with {
"svm\_C": 1,660 186 404 424 365 3, "svm\_kernel": linear, "svm\_degree": 4,
} with accuracy of 0,972 492 492 492 492 5 and training time of 923,951 044 797 897 3
seconds.

#### The Best SVM Model for Data-set 2

The best SVM Classifier for Data-set 2 is:

StandardScaler() has best SVM Classifier with { "svm\_C": 0,680 836 121 681 994 6, "svm\_kernel": poly, "svm\_degree": 2, } with accuracy of 0,973 273 273 273 273 273 and training time of 1427,270 799 398 422 2 seconds.

The fastest SVM Classifier for Data-set 2 is the one with no hyperparameter tuning that uses SVM Classifier with Normalizer() with an accuracy of 0,972 252 252 252 252 262 and training time of 35,268 704 652 786 255 seconds.

Please observe that also with this model with hyperparameter tuning one has the best performances but slower training time, on the other hand without hyperparameter tuning one has worse performances but the fastest training time.

### 2.2.3 K-Nearest Neighbours (KNN) Classifier

After calling the function knn2\_model = KNeighboursClassifier(), which makes predictions based on the majority class among its k-nearest neighbors in the feature space, it has been created a pipeline for each normalization technique described in Ch.(1): Introduction. Thereafter the model has been trained on (X2\_train, Y2\_train) and then tested on (X2\_test, Y2\_test).

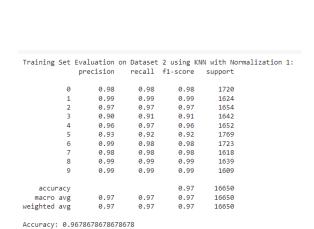
#### StandardScaler()

Fig.(2.20a) shows the classification report and the accuracy score of the considered model where it is possible to notice that

- Precision is the lowest for class 3: 0.90, which is the lowest for StandardScaler() between the methods.
- Recall is the lowest for class 3: 0.91 which has TP: 1499.
- F1-score have lowest value for class 3: 0.91 and class 5: 0.95 as it was possible to observe from Fig.(2.4b).
- Support have almost the same value for all classes. Notice that class 0 = 1720, class 5 = 1769 and class 6 = 1723 have highest values than the other classes.

- Accuracy of 0,967 867 867 867 867 8 and training time of 0,449 068 854 629 516 6 seconds.
- Macro Avg: 0.97 is high, then the model performs well and does not favours any particular class.
- Weighted Avg: 0.97 is high, then the model performs well taking into account imbalances which are very weak, as shown in Fig.(2.4b).

Observe that that again the classification report for QuantileTransformer() (Fig.(2.21)) and Normalizer() (Fig.(2.22)) methods is almost the same, especially for the values of Support, Macro Avg and Weighted Avg. This is because these depend on the form of the data-set.





(a) Class Report for Data-set 2 with normalization StandardScaler()

(b) Decision Matrix for Data-set 2 with normalization StandardScaler()

Figure 2.20: Evaluation of KNN Classification for Data-set 2 with normalization StandardScaler()

Fig. (2.20b) shows the confusion matrix from which one can notice that

- TP: for example class 5: 1621 represents instances of the said class that were correctly classified as class 5.
- TN: not possible to read;
- FP: in fact class 3: 1499 is mostly mistaken for class 5: 1621 (94 times) and vice-versa (111 times) which in fact have low precision and recall values.
- FN: not possible to read.

Overall the performances of this model are very good.

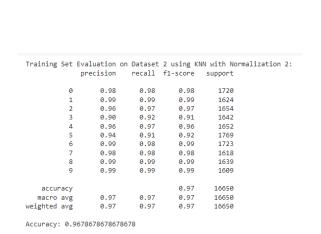
#### QuantileTransformer(output\_distribution = 'uniform')

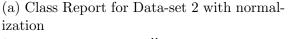
Fig.(2.21a) and Fig.(2.21b) shows the classification report, the accuracy score and the confusion matrix of the considered model. It is possible to do again the same considerations done on previous normalization techniques. This is because they all work in the same data-set, that has been split in the same way as shown in Fig.(2.4b).

• Accuracy of 0,967 867 867 867 867 8 and training time of 8,782 832 145 690 918 seconds.

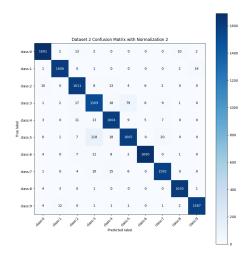
Notice once again that class 3: 1509 is mostly "confused" with class 5: 1605 (79 times) and vice-versa (118 times).

Overall the performances of this model are very good.





QuantileTransformer()



(b) Decision Matrix for Data-set 2 with normalization QuantileTransformer()

Figure 2.21: Evaluation of KNN Classifier for Data-set 2 with normalization QuantileTransformer(output\_distribution = 'uniform')

### Normalizer()

Fig.(2.22a) and Fig.(2.22b) shows the classification report, the accuracy score and the confusion matrix of the considered model.

Accuracy of 0,969 249 249 249 249 3 and training time of 0,249 870 061 874 389 65 seconds.

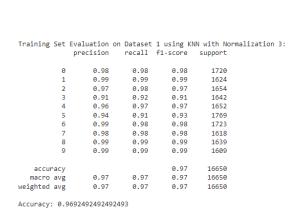
Notice again that class 3: 1506 is "confused" by class 5: 1618 (80 times) and vice-versa (112 times).

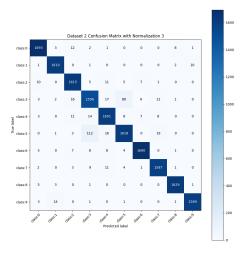
Overall the performances of this model are very good.

In **conclusion** the KNN classifier with different normalisation techniques have all more or less the same performances but the best model is:

KNN Classifier with Normalizer() with an accuracy of 0,9692492492492493 and training time of 0,24987006187438965 seconds.

The fastest model happens to be the best model for KNN classifier.





- (a) Class Report for Data-set 2 with normalization
  Normalizer()
- (b) Decision Matrix for Data-set 2 with normalization Normalizer()

Figure 2.22: Evaluation of KNN Classifier for Data-set 2 with normalization

#### Hyperparameter Tuning

Normalizer()

For Hyperparameter Tuning it has been implemented RandomizedSearchCV with number of iterations  $n_{iter} = 10$  and Cross-Validation cv = 3.

Let us compare the models with different normalization:

- StandardScaler() has best KNN Classifier with { "knn\_n\_neighbors": 12 "knn\_weights": "uniform", "knn\_metric": "manhattan", } with accuracy of 0,9708108108108108 and training time of 53790372145652771 seconds.
- QuantileTransformer(output\_distribution = 'uniform') has best KNN Classifier with { "knn\_neighbors": 12, "knn\_weights": "uniform", "knn\_metric": "manhattan", } with accuracy of 0,970090090090091 and training time of 5610,021097898483 seconds.
- Normalizer() has best KNN Classifier with { "knn\_n\_neighbors": 10, "knn\_weights": "distance", "knn\_metric": "euclidean", } with accuracy of 0,9710510510510511 and training time of 5371,534497976303 seconds.

In this case the KNN Classifier with different normalisation techniques performing hyperparameter tuning have all more or less the same performances but the best model is:

KNN Classifier with Normalizer() with an accuracy of 0,9710510510510551 and training time of 5371,534497976303 seconds.

The fastest model happens to be the best model.

#### The Best KNN Model for Data-set 2

```
The best KNN Classifier for Data-set 2 is: {"knn_n_neighbors": 12, "knn_weights": "uniform", "knn_metric": "manhattan"}
```

that uses Normalizer() normalization, has accuracy of 0,9888288288288288 and training time of 611,4070842266083

The fastest decision tree classifier for Data-set 1 is the one with no hyperparameter tuning that uses KNN Classifier with Normalizer() with an accuracy of 0,9692492492493 and training time of 0,24987006187438965 seconds.

Please observe that also with this model with hyperparameter tuning one has the best performances but slower training time, on the other hand without hyperparameter tuning one has worse performances but the fastest training time.

#### 2.2.4 Best Classifier for Data-set 2

Overall the best selected model for Data-set 2 is StandardScaler() has best SVM Classifier with { "svm\_\_C": 0,6808361216819946, "svm\_\_kernel": poly, "svm\_\_degree": 2, } with accuracy of 0,9732732732732733 and training time of 1427,2707993984222 seconds.

The fastest selected training time model is KNN Classifier with Normalizer() with an accuracy of 0,9692492492493 and training time of 0,24987006187438965 seconds.

Please observe again that by using Hyperparameter Tuning one has to take into account the trade off between performances and training time.

From these results in fact one has better performances with hyperparameter tuning but faster training time without it.

With this type of data-set the differences between performances with and without hyperparameter tuning are on the order of decimals and so almost irrelevant.

With this best model one have performed Blind Test 2 evaluation and printed the results on a .csv file, how you can see in the code [Cartolano 2023].

## Chapter 3

## Conclusion

Given Data-set 1 and Data-set 2 this report has shown that in both cases one can draw more or less the same conclusions.

First, from the three methods of Classification one can see that in Data-set 1:

• Decision Tree best classifier is the one that uses Normalizer() normalization with hyperparameters:

```
{ "classifier_criterion": "gini", "classifier_max_depth": 11, "classifier_min_samples_leaf": 3, "classifier_min_samples_split": 9 } has accuracy of 0,980 660 660 660 660 7 and training time of 64,113 917 350 769 04 seconds.
```

• Support Virtual Machine best classifier (SVM) is the one that uses Normalizer() normalization with hyperparameters:

```
{ "svm_C": 0,6808361216819946,
"svm_kernel": poly,
"svm_degree": 2 }
has accuracy of 0,98990990990999
and training time of 80,15363654818726 seconds.
```

• K-Nearest Neighbours best Classifier (KNN) is the one that uses Normalizer() normalization, with hyperparameters

```
{"knn_n_neighbors": 12,
"knn_weights": "uniform",
"knn_metric": "manhattan"}
has accuracy of 0,988 828 828 828 828 828 828 and training time of 611,407 084 226 608 3 seconds.
```

So the best Classifier for Data-set 1 is **SVM Classifier** using **Normalizer()** normalization with hyperparameters

```
{"svm_C": 0,6808361216819946,
"svm_kernel": poly,
"svm_degree": 2}
```

that has accuracy of  $0\,,989\,909\,909\,909\,909\,9$  and training time of  $80\,,153\,636\,548\,187\,26$  seconds.

It is possible to observe that one has the fastest training time for Data-set 1 if performing KNN Classifier with Normalizer() with an accuracy of 0,987 567 567 567 567 and a training time of 0,038 421 869 277 954 1 seconds.

For Data-set 2:

• Decision Tree best classifier is the one that uses Normalizer() normalization with hyperparameters

```
{ "classifier_criterion": "gini",
"classifier_max_depth": 11,
"classifier_min_samples_leaf": 3,
"classifier_min_samples_split": 9 }
has accuracy of 0,9575375375376
and training time of 506,3496084213257 seconds.
```

• SVM best classifier is the one that uses StandardScaler() has best SVM Classifier with hyperparameters

```
{ "svm_C": 0,6808361216819946,
"svm_kernel": poly,
"svm_degree": 2 }
with accuracy of 0,9732732732733
and training time of 1427,2707993984222 seconds.
```

• SVM best classifier is the one that uses Normalizer() normalization, with hyperparameters

```
{"knn_n_neighbors": 12,
"knn_weights": "uniform",
"knn_metric": "manhattan"}
has accuracy of 0,988 828 828 828 828 828 828 828 828 and training time of 611,407 084 226 608 3 seconds.
```

Follows that the best classifier for Data-set 2 is SVM Classifier using StandardScaler() with hyperparameters

```
{ "svm_C": 0,6808361216819946,
"svm_kernel": poly,
"svm_degree": 2 }
and accuracy of 0,9732732732732733
and training time of 1427,2707993984222 seconds.
```

Please observe that one has the fastest training time for Data-set 2 if performing KNN Classifier with Normalizer() with an accuracy of 0,9692492492492493 and training time of 0,24987006187438965 seconds.

Moreover one notices that Data-set 1 performs slightly better than Data-set 2 because the latter is way larger than the first one.

When using Hyperparameter Tuning one needs to consider a trade off between performances and training time. In fact from the results in Chap. (2.1) and Chap. (2.2) one has better performances with hyperparameter tuning but very slow training time but since the differences in performances are very law and in general all the models have very good performances one can think of using the fastest models instead on the one using hyperparameter tuning.

For all three normalization techniques, independently of the data-set used and the classification model, the one can say that:

- Precision is the lowest for class 3.
- Recall is the lowest for class 3.
- F1-score have lowest value for class 3, in fact this is a consequence of the unbalance on the data-sets shown in Fig.(2.4a) and Fig.(2.4a).
- Support have almost the same value for all classes. Notice that class 0 = 1720, class 5 = 1769 and class 6 = 1723 have highest values than the other classes.
- Macro Avg: is high for all cases, then the model performs well and does not favours any particular class.
- Weighted Avg: is high for all cases, then the model performs well taking into account imbalances which are very weak, as shown in Fig. (2.4a) and Fig. (2.4b).

Looking at the Confusion Matrices of both data-sets

- TP: represents instances of the considered class that were correctly classified as the considered class.
- TN: not possible to read.
- FP: represents instances of the considered class that were "confused" with other classes. Notice that for all data-sets, independently of the classification method and the normalization technique, class 3 always is mostly mistaken for class 5 and vice-versa which in fact have lower precision and recall values.
- FN: not possible to read.

In conclusion with these type of data-sets the differences between the considered models are on the order of decimals and so almost irrelevant which means that any model considered is a very good performing model.

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