CS 412: Introduction to Machine Learning

Project Final Report

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1. Project: A Brief Review of Machine Learning Algorithms

2. Dataset: Yelp Dataset

3. Steps:

The machine learning project has different stages. I made sure my project goes through each of those stages.

a. Data Reading/Loading Stage

- i. The Yelp Dataset consists of 5 large JSON files namely business, user, review, tip, checkin.
- ii. The structure of each JSON is different, with each containing data as following:
 - 1. Business data including location data, attributes, and categories.
 - 2. *Reviews* Contains full review text data including the user_id that wrote the review and the business id the review is written for.
 - 3. *User* data including the user's friend mapping and all the metadata associated with the
 - 4. *Tips* data which mentions the tips and suggestions given by users.
 - 5. *Checkin* data contains dates in which the user has checked-in to social media for a business.
- iii. Each of the dataset is read and converted into CSV for ease of access

b. Data Cleaning and Manipulation Stage:

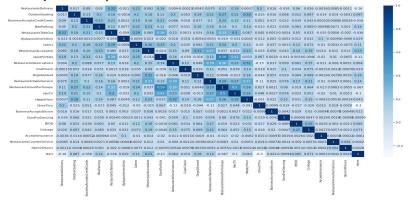
- i. There are NaN values in different datasets, which have been filled using appropriate methods and using the NumPy library.
- ii. Any unnecessary columns, which would not be helpful in finding insight or predictions have been removed to reduce the size of the data.

c. Training Stage:

- i. Goal: Business rating prediction
- ii. Algorithms implemented: Linear Regression, Decision tree regression, SVM regression
- iii. Procedure:

1. Data Preparation:

- a. The average stats of different users has been collected based on user data.
- b. First the business data and the averages data have been merged on business id
- c. Sentiment scores of all the reviews have been calculated using "Vader Sentiment Analyser" and the average of them is considered based on business_id
- d. The calculated scores of reviews and also other continuous variables from reviews data have been merged with the above data.
- 2. **Correlations**: The correlation analysis for features vs Stars, gave me the features that can be used to perform the prediction.



3. Feature Selection:

- a. After working through the above steps, we select the following features for regression analysis:
 - average_stars, average_good_review, average_funny, average_cool, score from review data
 - ii. average_review_count, average_fans, average_good_user, average_elite_count, average_friend_count from user-average data.
- 4. **Train-Test Split**: Imade a 80-20 train test split
- 5. Training/Modelling:
 - a. Three prediction algorithms have been implemented as stated above

d. Testing Stage:

- i. The performance of the prediction models has been tested using R2 score and MSE.
- ii. The following are the metrics obtained for the 3 models:

Model	R2 Score	MSE
Linear Regression	0.967	0.024
Decision Tree Regressor	0.985	0.011
SVM Regressor	0.24	0.657

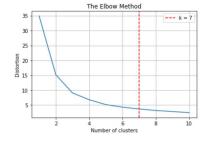
e. Inference: Predicted rating for a local restaurant using google reviews.

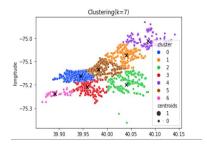
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Rating for Jarabe Mexican Street Food is: 4.0
Rating for Stax Cafe. is: 4.24
Rating for Siri Indian Restaurant is: 3.8
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 - I. Goal: Cluster all restaurants of a city
 - II. Algorithms implemented: K-Means clustering
 - III. Procedure:

Data Preparation:

- i. From the business data, first we select a city. "Philadelphia" has been used as city here as it had higher number of samples.
- ii. We fetch the latitude and longitude data from the separated data
- Optimal K and Training:





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