

Santander Customer Transaction Prediction

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Deployment of model and instructions to run the code

The machine learning models are no good lying in the python scripts and jupyter notebooks. In order to change lives and make an impact in the world, the model needs to be deployed in a way it's usable by the general public and not just by the domain experts.

To deploy machine learning models as a general API over the web that can be used over the various platforms such as websites, Android or ios apps, Alex skills etc.

Deployment of Python code:

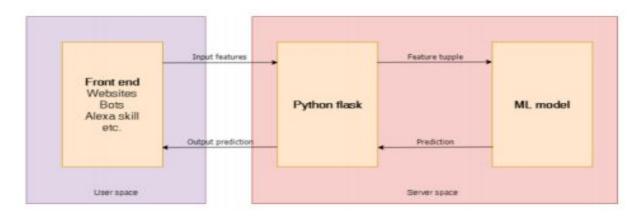
Following are the few libraries and resources which will be used:

- **1. Pickle:** It is a python library to save (serialize) and load (de-serialize) python objects as files on the disk.
- **2. Flask:** It is a python based web framework.
- **3. pythonanywhere**: A free to use educational website that allows hosting python flask and provides a complete python development environment.

Environment Setup:

pip install the flask, flask_cors, jsonify and other python packages.

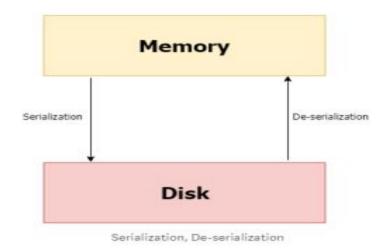
API Data Flow



Steps what need to be done as follows:

- Train the model using Jupyter notebook
- Save the trained model as a pickle file (Serialization)
- Create a flask environment that will have an API endpoint which would encapsulate our trained model and enable it to receive inputs through GET requests over HTTP/HTTPS and then return the output after deserializing the trained model.
- Upload the flask script along with trained models on pythonanywhere.

We already trained the LightGBM model, so we will serialize and deserialize the trained model by using pickle package.



Serializing the trained model as follows:-

import pickle

import lightgbm as lgb

Igbm is the object we will be serializing,

#Our trained model

#training data

lgb_train=lgb.Dataset(X_train,label=y_train)

#validation data

lgb_valid=lgb.Dataset(X_valid,label=y_valid)

num_rounds=10000

lgbm=lgb.train(params,lgb_train,num_rounds,valid_sets=[lgb_tr ain,lgb_valid], ver bose_eval=1000,early_stopping_rounds = 2000)

#Serialize the Igbm object as a pickle file Igbm.pkl with open('Igbm.pkl','wb') as handle: pickle.dump(Igbm,handle,pickle.HIGHEST_PROTOCAL)

we used wb to open output as binary and use a higher pickling protocol.

After running above code, pickle file created as "Igbm.pkl' and which is a trained model that can be transferred anywhere.

De-serializing the trained model as follows:

import pickle

import lightgbm as lgb

lgbm is the object we will be de-serializing,

#de-serialize the Igbm object as a pickle file Igbm.pkl

with open('lgbm.pkl','rb') as handle:

lgbm=pickle.load(handle)

#then used to predict the model using test data lgbm_pred=lgbm.predict(X_test)

Flask setup:

Let us set up a flask server on the local host and then deploy it on pythonanywhere free.

import pickle

import json

import os from flask

import Flask, jsonify, request

from flask_cors

import CORS

import lightgbm as lgb

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app=Flask(_name_) CORS(app)
@app.route("/lgbm_pred/",methods=['GET'])
def return_lgbm_pred():
X_test=requests.args.get('test_data')
lgbm_pred=lgbm.predict(X_test)
pred_dict={ "model":"lgbm", "pred":"lgbm_pred" }
return jsonify(pred_dict)
@app.route("/",methods=['GET'])
def default():
return "<h> Welcome to Santander customer transaction predictor<h> "
if __name__=="__main__":
app.run()
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- **App route** App route decorator is used for specifying the flask app route over the web
- Arguments- request.args.get('test_data')
- flask.jsonify()- It will return a python dictionary as JSON.
- **CORS** It is used to fix CORS headers used for AJAX calls making cross-origin AJAX possible. After creating the flask environment, upload the flask script along with trained models on pythonanywhere free for production.

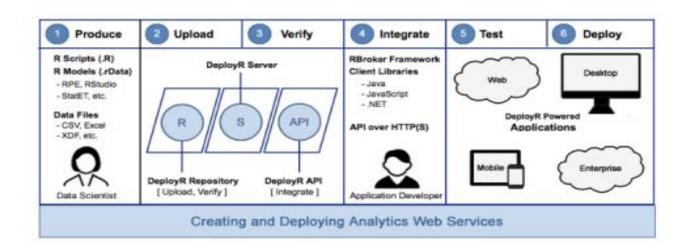
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Deployment of R Code

Here we are using DeployR to demonstrate and plumber r package used to deploy the model.

DeployR

It is an integration technology for deploying R analytics inside web, desktop, mobile and dashboard applications as well as backend system



The above diagram captures the basic workflow used by data scientists and application developers when collaborating on the delivery of solutions powered by Analytics web services. A data scientist develops an R script using standard R tools and publishes that script to deploy a server, where it becomes available for execution as an analytics web service. Once published R scripts can be executed by any authorized application using DeployR.

Plumber

Plumber an R package that converts existing R code to a web API by using a handful of special one line comments.

#install the plumber

install.packages("plumber")

#import the plumber

library(plumber)

r <- plumb("plumber.R") # Where 'plumber.R' is the location of the file where R code is stored.

#convert to web API

r\$run(port=8000) # local host server