## Predicting the Results of Evaluation Procedures of Academics

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Abstract. Background. The 2010 reform of the Italian university system introduced the National Scientific Habilitation (ASN) as a requirement for applying to permanent professor positions. Since the CVs of the 59149 candidates and the results of their assessments have been made publicly available, the ASN constitutes an opportunity to perform analyses about a nation-wide evaluation process. Objective. The main goals of this paper are: (i) predicting the results of the ASN using only the information contained in the candidates CVs; (ii) identifying a small set of quantitative indicators that can be used to perform accurate predictions. Approach. To this end, Semantic Web technologies are used to extract and enrich the information in the applicants CVs, and machine learning methods are used to predict the results of the habilitation. Results. For predicting the success in the role of Associate Professor, our best models have an F-measure of 0.921. Overall, the models have F-measure values higher than 0.6 in 162/184 (88%) recruitment fields. The model based on the top 15 predictors have F-measure values higher than 0.6 in 153/184 (83.2%) recruitment fields. Similar results have been achieved for the role of Full Professor. Evaluation. The proposed approach outperforms the other models developed to predict the results of researchers evaluation procedures. Conclusions. Such results allow the development of an automated system for supporting both candidates and committees in the future ASN sessions.

## 1 Introduction

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**Table 1.** Performance of SVM for professional *level I (Full Professor)*. Each row corresponds to a RF. The results are ordered in descending order with respect to the F-measure values. Non-bibliometric RFs have a gray background.

$_{ m SD}$	Р	R	$\mathbf{FM}$	SD	Р	R	FM	SD	Р	R	$\mathbf{FM}$	$\mathbf{S}$	Р	R	$\mathbf{FM}$
09/D1	0.946	0.939	0.942	11/C3	0.811	0.754	0.782	03/D1	0.682	0.738	0.709	06/I1	0.583	0.683	0.629
11/E4	0.899	0.908	0.904	05/B1	0.776	0.787	0.781	08/A1	0.737	0.683	0.709	03/C2	0.640	0.615	0.627
09/E3	0.921	0.886	0.903	09/F2	0.787	0.774	0.780	10/L1	0.686	0.729	0.707	05/C1	0.552	0.727	0.627
11/D2	0.866	0.922	0.893	10/N1	0.767	0.793	0.780	11/C1	0.706	0.706	0.706	09/A3	0.636	0.618	0.627
06/L1	0.860	0.925	0.891	10/D1	0.793	0.767	0.780	13/D2	0.714	0.694	0.704	13/A2	0.633	0.620	0.626
11/D1				06/M1				13/D4				07/B2			
08/A2				08/A3				14/A1				09/E1			
06/F2				13/A4				11/A1				06/C1			
12/B2				09/G2				06/E2				09/B3			
05/I1				09/H1				12/C2				05/A2			
10/F3 08/D1				06/F1 = 14/A2				04/A1 05/D1				13/B5 10/D4			
06/N1				09/F1				$03/D1 \\ 04/A2$				10/D4 10/M2			
11/E3				14/D1				12/H2				09/A1			
11/D3				14/C2				11/A3				01/A6			
07/H4				12/D1				08/F1				07/F2			
09/C1				04/A3				08/B2				01/A3			
02/C1				10/F1				06/A4				02/B1			
14/C1				08/E2				09/D2				07/H5			
04/A4				12/G1			- 1	01/A1				10/A1			
06/A3	0.843	0.819	0.831	09/E4	0.794	0.730	0.761	12/C1	0.692	0.655	0.673	07/D1	0.563	0.600	0.581
05/G1	0.817	0.842	0.829	08/B3	0.750	0.771	0.761	05/A1	0.662	0.681	0.671	10/D2	0.542	0.619	0.578
01/B1	0.810	0.850	0.829	06/E3	0.771	0.750	0.761	03/A2	0.670	0.670	0.670	09/D3	0.520	0.650	0.578
05/H2	0.804	0.854	0.828	11/E1	0.775	0.743	0.759	09/G1	0.750	0.600	0.667	07/G1	0.565	0.591	0.578
11/E2	0.864	0.792	0.826	06/A2	0.727	0.790	0.757	13/C1				12/B1			
05/B2				11/C5				06/D5				07/A1			
06/D1				12/A1				10/D3				13/B4			
07/F1				11/C2				07/E1				10/I1			
13/B3				01/A5				12/E3				02/B2			
06/M2				05/E1				12/E1				12/H3			
06/B1 13/B2				06/D3 08/E1				07/C1 09/A2				09/E2 $14/B2$			
13/D2 13/D1				05/E1 05/E2				06/D6				10/E1			
02/B3				11/A5				10/N3				03/B1			
06/E1				07/H1				05/H1				10/M1			
06/F4				10/F2				13/D3				06/A1			
06/H1				03/A1				09/C2				14/B1			
03/D2				08/C1				13/A3				12/H1			
11/C4				12/G2				01/A2				08/B1			
12/E2	0.792	0.792	0.792	13/A1	0.761	0.695	0.727	06/D2	0.571	0.718	0.636	03/B2	0.500	0.462	0.480
10/C1	0.780	0.800	0.790	07/B1	0.722	0.722	0.722	11/B1	0.667	0.606	0.635	02/A2	0.558	0.420	0.479
06/G1	0.766	0.808	0.787	11/A2	0.717	0.717	0.717	12/F1	0.650	0.619	0.634	$10/\mathrm{H}1$	0.400	0.462	0.429
11/A4	0.787	0.787	0.787	13/B1	0.696	0.738	0.716	03/C1	0.613	0.655	0.633	02/A1	0.394	0.438	0.414
10/B1	0.778	0.790	0.784	09/B2	0.625	0.833	0.714	09/B1	0.667	0.600	0.632	$07/{\rm H}_{\rm 3}$	0.385	0.417	0.400
08/A4				01/A4				13/A5				05/F1			
07/H2	0.750	0.818	0.783	10/G1	0.700	0.724	0.712	06/D4	0.609	0.651	0.629	06/F3	0.250	0.167	0.200

**Table 2.** Performance of SVM for professional *level II (Associate Professor)*. Each row corresponds to a RF. The results are ordered in descending order with respect to the F-measure values. Non-bibliometric RFs have a gray background.

SD	Р	R	$\mathbf{FM}$	SD	P	R	FM	SD	Р	R	FM	S	Р	R	FM
11/E4	0.894	0.951	0.922	09/D3	0.828	0.800	0.814	13/B5	0.731	0.792	0.760	10/A1	0.652	0.706	0.678
07/F1	0.884	0.938	0.910	09/G2	0.781	0.848	0.813	13/A4	0.716	0.807	0.759	03/D2	0.639	0.719	0.676
14/C2	0.887	0.925	0.906	09/E4	0.813	0.813	0.813	06/A4	0.719	0.804	0.759	09/A3	0.698	0.649	0.673
06/F2				12/G1	0.792	0.836	0.813	08/B2				09/D2	0.660	0.686	0.673
09/D1				12/A1				04/A3				10/E1			
11/D2				12/C1				13/A1				04/A2			
14/C1				09/E1				05/H1				07/H4			
08/D1				13/D3				02/C1				04/A1			
09/E2				11/C1				08/A1				07/H2			
06/N1	0.863			06/D1				03/B1 01/B1				06/D4			
11/D1				06/A1 05/B2				11/C4				13/D4 06/D5			
06/L1				11/A5				12/G2				07/E1			
12/D2				11/C5				03/C2				01/A2			
05/G1				14/B1				09/C2				05/F1			
10/F1				11/A1				05/C1				06/E3			
06/M1				10/D3				03/A1				10/M1			
05/H2				05/A1	0.745	0.831	0.786	08/F1	0.677	0.788	0.728	13/B4	0.597	0.642	0.619
11/E2	0.842	0.854	0.848	13/D1	0.770	0.799	0.784	14/A1	0.664	0.805	0.728	11/E1	0.619	0.593	0.606
08/C1	0.832	0.865	0.848	06/C1	0.744	0.826	0.783	13/B1	0.694	0.766	0.728	11/B1	0.564	0.654	0.606
02/B3	0.808	0.889	0.847	07/B1	0.793	0.774	0.783	12/E2	0.708	0.741	0.724	01/A1	0.556	0.652	0.600
13/B3	0.819	0.875	0.846	05/E2	0.725	0.848	0.781	01/A4	0.665	0.793	0.723	13/C1	0.575	0.627	0.600
12/E1				01/A3				13/D2				02/B1			
11/A4				08/B3				09/A2				09/B1			
06/A2				01/A5				07/G1				10/F3			
10/C1				06/E2				11/C2				07/H1			
06/M2				09/H1				12/B2				03/B2			
14/D1				11/A2				12/C2				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		0.577	
06/F4 12/D1				11/A3 08/E1				02/B2 11/C3				14/B2 10/H1			
$\frac{12}{D1}$ $08/A2$				14/A2				06/F1				13/A2			
10/D1				12/F1				13/A3				07/A1			
06/B1				03/D1				10/D4				07/H3			
05/B1				09/C1				07/B2				10/D2			
04/A4				06/E1				12/H3				10/N3			
$05/{\rm E1}$	0.788	0.876	0.830	12/E3	0.705	0.846	0.769	06/D6	0.649	0.747	0.695	07/F2	0.550	0.524	0.537
11/E3	0.828	0.828	0.828	06/D3	0.747	0.790	0.768	10/L1	0.672	0.714	0.692	12/H2	0.500	0.522	0.511
13/B2	0.829	0.824	0.826	09/E3	0.768	0.768	0.768	07/D1	0.621	0.766	0.686	01/A6	0.500	0.519	0.509
09/B3	0.809	0.844	0.826	10/F2	0.718	0.824	0.767	10/N1	0.651	0.726	0.686	08/B1	0.500	0.500	0.500
10/B1	0.764	0.893	0.824	06/H1	0.728	0.808	0.766	09/G1	0.658	0.714	0.685	13/A5	0.472	0.472	0.472
08/E2				05/D1				03/C1				06/F3			
09/F2				05/A2				07/C1				07/H5			
09/F1				06/I1				08/A4				09/B2			
06/A3				06/D2				09/A1				12/H1			
08/A3				06/G1				10/M2				02/A2			
12/81	0.768	0.044	0.015	10/G1	0.712	0.017	0.701	03/A2	0.009	0.009	0.079	02/A1	0.240	0.043	0.074

**Table 3.** Performance of SVM for professional *level I (Full Professor)* and *II (Associate Professor)*. Each row corresponds to a SA. The results are ordered in descending order with respect to the F-measure values. Non-bibliometric SAs have a gray background.

	Ful	ll Profes	sor	Associate Professor						
AREA	P	R	$\mathbf{FM}$	P	R	$\overline{\mathbf{FM}}$				
01	0.716	0.760	0.737	0.692	0.753	0.721				
02	0.598	0.722	0.654	0.629	0.635	0.632				
03	0.630	0.653	0.641	0.700	0.681	0.690				
04	0.730	0.794	0.760	0.694	0.800	0.743				
05	0.679	0.773	0.723	0.705	0.839	0.766				
06	0.709	0.825	0.762	0.736	0.855	0.791				
07	0.634	0.606	0.620	0.686	0.709	0.697				
08	0.754	0.812	0.782	0.768	0.794	0.781				
09	0.791	0.743	0.767	0.777	0.854	0.814				
$11/\mathrm{E}$	0.860	0.882	0.871	0.769	0.872	0.817				
10	0.760	0.652	0.702	0.698	0.834	0.760				
11	0.785	0.751	0.768	0.731	0.863	0.792				
12	0.747	0.766	0.757	0.779	0.820	0.799				
13	0.648	0.695	0.670	0.685	0.736	0.710				
14	0.777	0.824	0.800	0.775	0.877	0.823				
08 non-bibl.	0.778	0.789	0.783	0.810	0.850	0.829				

 $\begin{tabular}{l} \textbf{Table 4.} Performance of SVM for professional $level\ I$ (Full\ Professor). Only the top 15 features have been used for the classification. Each row corresponds to a RF. The results are ordered in descending order with respect to the F-measure values. Non-bibliometric RFs have a gray background. \\ \end{tabular}$ 

SD	P	R	FM	SD	P	R	$\mathbf{FM}$	SD	P	R	FM	S	P	R	FM
09/D1	0.954	0.973	0.963	06/M1	0.809	0.833	0.821	10/L1	0.731	0.792	0.760	07/B1	0.667	0.667	0.667
07/F1	0.962	0.926	0.943	13/B2	0.792	0.851	0.821	06/E2	0.717	0.805	0.759	10/D2	0.667	0.667	0.667
05/I1	0.870	0.992	0.927	09/A3	0.926	0.735	0.820	12/E3	0.750	0.769	0.759	07/A1	0.667	0.667	0.667
06/F2	0.906	0.935	0.921	08/E1	0.900	0.750	0.818	07/B2	0.690	0.833	0.755	07/C1	0.737	0.609	0.667
11/E4	0.864	0.969	0.913	06/B1	0.751	0.881	0.811	01/A4	0.763	0.744	0.753	12/E1	0.651	0.683	0.667
11/E2	0.976	0.854	0.911	06/D3				13/A1				03/A2			
11/E3				13/A4				09/H1				09/B3			
06/L1				13/B3				03/D1				11/A5			
11/D1				06/H1				13/C1				10/G1			
08/D1				09/E4				05/D1				01/A5			
08/A2				06/E1				11/A1				06/D6			
14/C1				09/B1				09/D3				06/D5			
02/C1				05/E1				02/B2				10/M1			
07/H4				08/A3				10/M2				09/D2			
10/F3				05/A2				11/A2				10/N3			
11/D2				11/A4 09/F2				09/E1 11/C2				05/H1 07/G1			
12/D1 06/N1				01/A1				$\frac{11/C2}{06/A2}$				07/G1 07/E1			
06/D1				08/A4				11/B1				09/E2			
13/D1				08/B2				12/C2				07/H5			
11/C3				06/F1				13/A5				10/D4			
12/E2				08/F1				03/C1				12/H2			
02/B3				09/F1				03/C2				05/C1			
09/C1				08/B3				09/A2				07/H2			
05/B2				10/B1				13/A2				10/E1			
05/B1				10/D1				01/A2				01/A3			
08/A1				11/C5				12/H1				06/D4			
01/B1				14/A1				13/D3				03/B2			
09/E3				10/D3				05/A1				06/D2			
12/F1	0.724	1.000	0.840	06/A4	0.732	0.833	0.779	10/C1				13/A3	0.613	0.528	0.567
06/A3	0.783	0.903	0.839	12/A1	0.724	0.835	0.776	05/E2	0.667	0.747	0.705	10/A1	0.574	0.557	0.565
11/E1	0.870	0.811	0.839	06/G1	0.747	0.808	0.776	04/A1	0.717	0.691	0.704	13/B4	0.679	0.475	0.559
05/G1	0.807	0.871	0.838	04/A3	0.773	0.773	0.773	11/C1	0.676	0.735	0.704	06/A1	0.536	0.536	0.536
10/N1	0.761	0.931	0.837	12/C1	0.746	0.800	0.772	12/D2	0.765	0.650	0.703	12/B1	0.571	0.500	0.533
06/E3	0.903	0.778	0.836	10/F1	0.719	0.833	0.772	09/A1	0.692	0.692	0.692	08/B1	0.545	0.429	0.480
04/A4	0.756	0.930	0.834	08/C1	0.843	0.711	0.771	$12/\mathrm{H}3$	0.786	0.611	0.688	13/B5	0.500	0.429	0.462
09/B2	0.833	0.833	0.833	04/A2	0.703	0.849	0.769	13/D2	0.706	0.667	0.686	07/H3	0.455	0.417	0.435
01/A6				07/H1				12/B2				02/A2			
11/C4				12/G2				14/B2				02/B1			
14/D1				13/B1				13/D4				03/B1			
05/H2				11/A3				06/C1				07/F2			
14/A2				08/E2				06/I1				10/I1			
09/G2				12/G1				10/H1				07/D1			
06/M2				10/F2				03/A1				02/A1			
06/F4				09/G1				03/D2				05/F1			
14/C2	0.780	0.868	0.821	09/C2	0.784	0.741	0.762	14/B1	0.667	0.667	0.667	06/F3	0.000	0.000	0.000

**Table 5.** Performance of SVM for professional *level II (Associate Professor)*. Only the top 15 features have been used for the classification. Each row corresponds to a RF. The results are ordered in descending order with respect to the F-measure values. Non-bibliometric RFs have a gray background.

SD	Р	R	FM	SD	P	R	FM	SD	P	R	FM	S	Р	R	$\mathbf{FM}$
07/F1	0.928	0.951	0.939	06/F4	0.806	0.853	0.829	12/C2	0.826	0.731	0.776	07/B2	0.700	0.700	0.700
05/I1	0.851	1.000	0.919	10/G1	0.770	0.890	0.826	06/D3	0.757	0.795	0.776	10/I1	0.673	0.712	0.692
09/D1	0.878	0.959	0.917	06/B1	0.759	0.903	0.825	08/A1	0.756	0.797	0.776	11/B1	0.607	0.802	0.691
14/C1	0.850	0.994	0.916	08/B3	0.917	0.746	0.822	06/G1	0.794	0.759	0.776	13/D1	0.741	0.642	0.688
11/D2				14/B1				11/A1				10/M1			
11/E4				05/B2				14/A1				12/G2			
06/F2				11/A5				11/A2				13/A3			
11/D1				09/E2				14/A2				10/E1			
14/C2			1	07/G1				09/D3				01/A2			
12/D2				04/A3				09/B1				13/B4			
05/H2				11/C1				09/C2				06/F1			
09/E4				05/A1				09/F2				06/E3			
13/B3				13/A1 07/B1				09/B2				04/A1 06/D4			
08/D1								05/H1							
11/E2 08/A2				$\frac{12}{\text{G1}}$				03/B1 05/C1				01/A5 11/E1			
05/G1				09/B3				11/A3				01/A1			
06/N1				12/E3				08/B2				01/A1 = 01/A3			
09/F1				08/E1				10/M2				03/D2			
06/A3				13/A4				11/C4				09/A2			
12/D1				10/F2				05/E2				10/H1			
12/C1				08/A3				06/D5				13/C1			
06/L1				11/C5				13/D2				12/H2			
06/M2				09/H1				07/D1				09/A3			
11/A4				03/C2				02'/B2				09/A1			
02/B3				13/B2				12/B2				07/F2			
10/F1	0.759	0.994	0.861	08/A4	0.742	0.852	0.793	10/D4	0.662	0.847	0.743	10/N3	0.500	0.721	0.590
04/A4	0.759	0.989	0.859	03/D1	0.767	0.818	0.792	07/C1	0.724	0.764	0.743	07/H4	0.600	0.563	0.581
10/C1	0.814	0.907	0.858	06/C1	0.767	0.816	0.791	01/A6	0.657	0.852	0.742	07/H1	0.625	0.536	0.577
06/A2	0.767	0.973	0.857	05/A2	0.757	0.824	0.789	01/B1	0.748	0.733	0.740	07/H2	0.615	0.533	0.571
08/E2	0.746	1.000	0.855	05/E1	0.716	0.876	0.788	06/D6	0.733	0.747	0.740	07/A1	0.643	0.514	0.571
09/C1	0.819	0.894	0.855	10/D3	0.793	0.783	0.788	03/A2	0.663	0.832	0.738	13/A5	0.594	0.528	0.559
09/G2	0.823	0.886	0.853	12/B1	0.868	0.719	0.786	12/H3	0.764	0.714	0.738	02/B1	0.685	0.466	0.555
10/B1				05/D1				08/F1				13/A2			
08/C1				01/A4				12/E2				03/B2			
06/D1				11/E3				04/A2				12/H1			
06/M1				11/C3				11/C2				14/B2			
13/D3				10/L1				10/A1				10/D2			
12/A1			1	13/D4				09/D2				08/B1			
12/F1				06/H1				13/B5				10/F3			
06/E1				02/C1				10/N1				07/H5			
06/E2				09/E1				06/A1				05/F1			
14/D1				06/A4				09/G1				07/H3			
09/E3				03/C1				03/A1				02/A2			
10/D1 05/B1				06/I1 12/E1				13/B1				02/A1			
09/151	0.701	0.914	0.050	12/11	0.002	0.754	0.111	01/151	0.013	0.012	0.700	06/F3	0.000	0.000	0.000

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