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 SD. The results are ordered in descending order with respect to the F-measure values. Non-bibliometric SDs have a gray background.

\mathbf{SD}	P	\mathbf{R}	\mathbf{FM}	SD	P	R	\mathbf{FM}	SD	P	\mathbf{R}	FM	S	P	\mathbf{R}	\mathbf{FM}
09/D1	0.938	0.919	0.928	10/C1	0.759	0.825	0.790	13/A1	0.726	0.684	0.704	09/C2	0.630	0.630	0.630
11/D2	0.866	0.922	0.893	09/H1	0.780	0.799	0.789	04/A1	0.696	0.709	0.703	12/E3	0.676	0.590	0.630
11/E4	0.896	0.878	0.887	09/C1	0.833	0.750	0.789	01/A6	0.778	0.636	0.700	01/A3	0.658	0.602	0.629
11/D1	0.883	0.883	0.883	06/F1	0.743	0.839	0.788	14/A1	0.724	0.677	0.700	13/A5	0.611	0.647	0.629
10/F3	0.872	0.895	0.883	10/D1	0.774	0.800	0.787	10/D3	0.700	0.700	0.700	06/D2	0.574	0.692	0.628
06/F2	0.929	0.839	0.881	14/C2	0.778	0.792	0.785	12/C1	0.704	0.691	0.697	06/C1	0.594	0.655	0.623
06/L1	0.857	0.906	0.881	10/B1	0.778	0.790	0.784	01/A5	0.727	0.667	0.696	10/D4	0.563	0.675	0.614
08/D1	0.886	0.873	0.879	06/E1	0.747	0.824	0.783	01/A1	0.696	0.696	0.696	06/I1	0.574	0.659	0.614
05/I1	0.870	0.884	0.877	13/A4	0.771	0.794	0.783	12/C2	0.667	0.727	0.696	01/A2	0.585	0.640	0.611
09/E3	0.895	0.861	0.877	13/D1	0.805	0.759	0.781	05/D1	0.654	0.737	0.693	07/C1	0.650	0.565	0.605
12/B2	0.944	0.810	0.872	09/G1	0.875	0.700	0.778	01/A4	0.730	0.659	0.692	13/A2	0.611	0.598	0.604
07/F1				04/A3				11/A3				11/B1			
06/N1				11/E1				11/A2				05/A2			
08/A2				10/F2				11/A1				09/B1			
12/D2				09/E4				06/D6				10/A1			
11/E3				10/N1				06/E2				10/M2			
05/G1				14/A2				13/D4				13/B4			
13/B2				11/C4				05/A1				13/B5			
13/B3				08/E2				11/C1				12/H3			
01/B1				08/E1				13/C1				09/E1			
02/C1				08/B3				03/C2				10/D2			
04/A4				06/G1				06/A4				09/A1			
14/C1				03/D1				10/G1				07/D1			
06/D1 05/B1				08/A1 06/A2				06/D5 07/E1				02/B2 07/G1			
11/A4				12/D1				12/G1				06/D4			
07/H4				12/A1				07/B1				07/A1			
06/A3				$\frac{12}{A1}$ 09/A2				09/B1				02/B1			
11/E2				10/L1				03/A2				07/F2			
06/M2				11/C3				13/A3				09/E2			
06/B1				09/F1				03/C1				06/A1			
07/H1				08/C1				08/F1				14/B1			
02/B3				06/D3				13/D3				10/I1			
06/M1				05/E2				05/C1				14/B2			
08/A4				12/H2				12/B1				10/M1			
05/B2				12/G2				12/F1				08/B1			
09/G2				05/E1				10/N3			1	10/E1			
12/E2	0.814	0.792	0.803	11/C5	0.736	0.726	0.731	09/A3	0.647	0.647	0.647	12/H1	0.538	0.467	0.500
14/D1	0.769	0.833	0.800	11/C2	0.722	0.736	0.729	05/H1	0.638	0.652	0.645	10/H1	0.500	0.462	0.480
03/D2	0.800	0.800	0.800	07/H2	0.727	0.727	0.727	12/E1	0.650	0.634	0.642	03/B2	0.462	0.462	0.462
05/H2	0.780	0.813	0.796	03/A1	0.700	0.750	0.724	07/B2	0.615	0.667	0.640	03/B1	0.500	0.417	0.455
10/F1	0.771	0.818	0.794	13/D2	0.735	0.694	0.714	09/D3	0.583	0.700	0.636	02/A2	0.509	0.406	0.452
09/F2	0.781	0.806	0.794	08/B2	0.718	0.700	0.709	07/H5	0.636	0.636	0.636	02/A1	0.405	0.458	0.430
06/F4	0.762	0.825	0.792	11/A5	0.697	0.719	0.708	09/D2	0.609	0.667	0.636	07/H3	0.417	0.417	0.417
08/A3	0.783	0.800	0.791	13/B1	0.691	0.723	0.707	04/A2	0.630	0.642	0.636	06/F3	0.400	0.333	0.364
06/H1	0.766	0.818	0.791	06/E3	0.750	0.667	0.706	09/B3	0.632	0.632	0.632	05/F1	0.304	0.212	0.250

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

SD	Р	R	\mathbf{FM}	SD	P	R	\mathbf{FM}	SD	Р	R	FM	S	P	R	FM
11/E4	0.903	0.940	0.921	08/A3	0.800	0.831	0.815	02/C1	0.726	0.789	0.756	10/N1	0.638	0.717	0.675
07/F1	0.894	0.938	0.916	09/B3	0.776	0.844	0.809	10/G1	0.710	0.807	0.755	13/D2	0.649	0.694	0.671
09/D1	0.878	0.935	0.906	12/A1	0.785	0.833	0.809	11/C4	0.711	0.802	0.754	13/D4	0.658	0.685	0.671
14/C2	0.889	0.917	0.903	09/G2	0.772	0.838	0.804	01/B1	0.729	0.781	0.754	06/D4	0.654	0.680	0.667
06/F2	0.896	0.896	0.896	11/C5	0.734	0.882	0.801	06/D3	0.735	0.773	0.753	04/A2	0.602	0.746	0.667
05/I1	0.876	0.908	0.892	12/C1	0.796	0.807	0.801	01/A4	0.702	0.807	0.751	10/E1	0.600	0.750	0.667
14/C1	0.872	0.909	0.890	03/D1	0.801	0.796	0.799	10/D3	0.722	0.783	0.751	06/D5	0.617	0.712	0.661
11/D2	0.898	0.879	0.888	05/B2	0.790	0.801	0.796	12/E3	0.684	0.831	0.750	09/A3	0.673	0.649	0.661
08/D1	0.866	0.906	0.886	06/E1	0.759	0.835	0.795	13/A4	0.704	0.798	0.748	09/G1	0.657	0.657	0.657
06/N1	0.827	0.932	0.877	09/D3	0.821	0.767	0.793	06/F1	0.706	0.791	0.746	04/A1	0.620	0.662	0.641
11/D1	0.848	0.906	0.876	08/B3				01/A5				06/E3			
12/D2				05/A1				03/B1				01/A2			
05/G1				06/D1				12/G2				10/M2			
06/L1				09/H1				05/H1				05/F1			
11/E2				05/E2				06/A4				07/H4			
08/C1				11/A1				05/C1				07/E1			
٠.	0.810			12/G1				13/A1				13/B4			
12/E1				08/E1				03/A1				10/M1			
05/H2				11/A5				14/A1				11/E1			
06/A2				14/B1				09/A2				07/H1			
11/A4				06/C1				12/E2				11/B1			
06/M1				12/F1				08/F1			1	01/A1			
02/B3				05/A2				11/C2				12/H2			
09/F1				11/C1				13/B1			!	02/B1			
08/A2				06/A1				10/D4				10/H1			
05/B1 12/B1				11/A2 07/B1				$\frac{12/B2}{03/C2}$				$\frac{13/C1}{03/B2}$			
$\frac{12}{106}$				13/D1				$05/C2 \\ 07/B2$				10/I1			
10/C1				09/C2				11/C3				13/A2			
10/D1				11/A3				07/G1				09/B1			
04/A4				06/I1				13/A3				14/B2			
13/B3				06/E2				07/C1				07/H3			
06/B1				08/B2				02/B2				10/F3			
14/D1				10/F2				09/D2				10/D2			
09/E2				09/E1				07/D1				07/F2			
12/D1				09/E3				08/A4				10/N3			
05/E1				08/A1				10/L1				01/A6			
10/B1				09/C1				06/D6				07/A1			
13'/B2				06/G1				12/C2	0.692	0.692	0.692	13/A5	0.486	0.472	0.479
09/F2	0.810	0.835	0.822	04/A3	0.705	0.833	0.764	10/A1	0.657	0.724	0.689	08/B1	0.500	0.455	0.476
06/F4				06/H1	0.720	0.808	0.761	12/H3				06/F3			
11/E3	0.819	0.819	0.819	13/B5				03/C1				07/H5			
06/A3	0.821	0.815	0.818	14/A2	0.755	0.763	0.759	03/A2	0.655	0.708	0.681	02/A2	0.500	0.185	0.270
13/D3	0.773	0.866	0.817	05/D1	0.729	0.790	0.758	09/A1	0.649	0.709	0.678	$12/{\rm H}1$	0.261	0.273	0.267
08/E2	0.770	0.867	0.816	01/A3	0.752	0.762	0.757	07/H2	0.629	0.733	0.677	09/B2	0.250	0.200	0.222
09/E4	0.803	0.828	0.815	06/D2	0.750	0.763	0.757	03/D2	0.667	0.688	0.677	02/A1	0.259	0.051	0.085
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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	0.752	0.778	0.765	0.696	0.762	0.727				
02	0.593	0.714	0.648	0.624	0.657	0.640				
03	0.652	0.675	0.663	0.708	0.697	0.702				
04	0.738	0.794	0.765	0.708	0.834	0.766				
05	0.692	0.772	0.730	0.710	0.838	0.769				
06	0.745	0.817	0.779	0.746	0.851	0.795				
07	0.639	0.606	0.622	0.683	0.723	0.702				
08	0.773	0.792	0.782	0.757	0.780	0.768				
09	0.801	0.792	0.797	0.788	0.858	0.822				
$11/\mathrm{E}$	0.872	0.852	0.862	0.767	0.872	0.816				
10	0.763	0.729	0.745	0.708	0.862	0.778				
11	0.784	0.788	0.786	0.735	0.890	0.805				
12	0.742	0.770	0.755	0.780	0.834	0.806				
13	0.661	0.707	0.683	0.685	0.734	0.709				
14	0.799	0.824	0.811	0.793	0.888	0.838				
08 non-bibl.	0.799	0.801	0.800	0.804	0.883	0.842				

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \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 SD. The results are ordered in descending order with respect to the F-measure values. Non-bibliometric SDs have a gray background. \\ \end{tabular}$

SD	Р	R	FM	SD	P	R	\mathbf{FM}	SD	P	R	FM	S	P	R	FM
09/D1	0.954	0.973	0.963	08/E1	0.900	0.750	0.818	10/L1	0.731	0.792	0.760	10/D2	0.667	0.667	0.667
07/F1	0.962	0.926	0.943	06/M2	0.767	0.875	0.818	06/E2	0.717	0.805	0.759	13/D4	0.616	0.726	0.667
05/I1	0.870	0.992	0.927	06/B1	0.753	0.887	0.814	03/D1	0.746	0.770	0.758	03/A2	0.645	0.682	0.663
11/E2	0.977	0.875	0.923	14/C2	0.776	0.849	0.811	07/B2	0.690	0.833	0.755	11/A5	0.731	0.594	0.655
06/F2	0.906	0.935	0.921	06/D3				01/A4				12/E1	0.643	0.659	0.651
11/E4				13/A4				09/H1				07/B1			
11/E3				06/H1				04/A2				09/B3			
06/L1				01/A6				13/C1				10/G1			
11/D1				09/E4				12/E3				01/A5			
08/D1				06/E1				13/A1				06/D6			
08/A2				09/B1				05/D1				10/M1			
14/C1				08/A3				11/A1				09/D2			
02/C1				13/B3				09/D3				07/C1			
07/H4				11/A4				02/B2				05/H1			
10/F3				09/F2				12/B2				07/G1			
12/D1				06/F1				10/M2				09/E2			
$\frac{11/D2}{06/D1}$				01/A1 12/G1				$\frac{11/C2}{06/A2}$				07/H5 10/D4			
- /				08/A4				11/A2							
13/D1				08/B2				11/A2 11/B1				12/H2 05/C1			
06/N1				· .								l '.			
05/B2 11/C3				08/F1 09/F1				13/A5 09/E1				07/E1 07/H2			
02/B3				08/B3				12/D2				06/D5			
02/B3 09/C1				10/B1				01/A2				10/E1			
05/B1				10/D1				03/C2				10/E1 10/N3			
12/E2				11/C5				09/A2				01/A3			
08/A1				14/A1				13/A2				06/D4			
09/E3				10/D3				12/H1				03/B2			
01/B1				06/A4				13/D3				06/D2			
12/F1				12/A1				05/A1				10/A1			
06/A3				05/E1				10/C1				13/B4			
11/E1				04/A3				05/E2				13/A3			
05/G1				05/A2				04/A1				06/A1			
10/N1				12/C1				03/C1				12/B1			
06/E3				08/E2				09/A1				08/B1			
04/A4				08/C1				13/D2				13/B5			
09/B2	0.833	0.833	0.833	07/H1	0.833	0.714	0.769	14/B2	0.700	0.667	0.683	02/A2	0.656	0.304	0.416
14/D1	0.848	0.813	0.830	12/G2	0.750	0.789	0.769	06/C1				07/H3	0.400	0.333	0.364
05/H2	0.759	0.917	0.830	10/F1	0.717	0.826	0.768	07/A1	0.688	0.667	0.677	02/B1	0.514	0.257	0.343
14/A2	0.786	0.880	0.830	06/G1	0.744	0.795	0.768	06/I1	0.722	0.634	0.675	10/I1	0.375	0.286	0.324
09/G2	0.824	0.824	0.824	13/B1	0.726	0.815	0.768	10/H1	0.875	0.538	0.667	03/B1	0.429	0.250	0.316
11/C4	0.778	0.875	0.824	11/A3	0.800	0.737	0.767	03/A1	0.692	0.643	0.667	07/F2	0.375	0.273	0.316
06/F4	0.790	0.856	0.822	10/F2	0.804	0.725	0.763	03/D2	0.636	0.700	0.667	07/D1	0.600	0.200	0.300
06/M1	0.809	0.833	0.821	09/G1	0.727	0.800	0.762	$12/{\rm H}_{\rm 3}$	0.733	0.611	0.667	02/A1	0.326	0.097	0.150
13/B2	0.792	0.851	0.821	12/C2	0.800	0.727	0.762	14/B1	0.667	0.667	0.667	05/F1	0.250	0.030	0.054
09/A3	0.926	0.735	0.820	09/C2	0.784	0.741	0.762	11/C1	0.657	0.676	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 SD. The results are ordered in descending order with respect to the F-measure values. Non-bibliometric SDs have a gray background.

SD	Р	R	FM	SD	P	R	FM	SD	P	R	FM	S	P	R	FM
07/F1	0.928	0.951	0.939	06/B1	0.761	0.903	0.826	13/D4	0.747	0.808	0.776	10/I1	0.673	0.712	0.692
05/I1	0.851	1.000	0.919	10/G1	0.770	0.890	0.826	06/G1				11/B1	0.607	0.802	0.691
14/C1				05/B2				11/A1				01/A2			
09/D1				08/B3				14/A1				07/B2			
11/D2				07/G1				06/D3				13/D1			
11/E4				10/D1				06/A4				10/M1			
11/D1 14/C2				14/B1 11/A5				11/A2 10/M2				12/G2 13/A3			
12/D2				09/E2				14/A2				06/E3			
06/F2				04/A3				09/D3				10/E1			
05/H2				11/C1				06/D5				13/B4			
09/E4				05/A1				09/B1				01/A5			
13/B3	0.862	0.920	0.890	13/A1	0.743	0.893	0.811	09/C2	0.765	0.765	0.765	04/A1	0.631	0.716	0.671
08/D1	0.806	0.989	0.888	12/G1	0.775	0.849	0.810	09/F2	0.868	0.680	0.763	06/D4	0.727	0.621	0.670
11/E2	0.888	0.882	0.885	08/A3	0.788	0.818	0.803	$05/\mathrm{H}1$	0.674	0.875	0.762	06/F1	0.660	0.681	0.670
08/A2				07/B1				03/B1				01/A1			
05/G1				06/D2				05/C1				11/E1			
06/N1				09/B3				11/A3				01/A3			
09/F1				12/E3				08/B2				03/D2			
12/D1				08/E1				11/C4				09/A2			
12/C1 06/L1				05/E1 13/A4				05/E2 13/D2				10/H1 13/C1			
06/M2				10/F2				07/D1				12/H2			
11/A4				11/C5				02/B2				09/A3			
02/B3				09/H1				12/B2				09/A1			
10/F1				03/C2				10/D4				10/N3			
06/A3	0.762	0.986	0.860	13/B2	0.894	0.716	0.795	07/C1	0.724	0.764	0.743	07/F2	0.688	0.524	0.595
04/A4	0.759	0.989	0.859	08/A4	0.742	0.852	0.793	01/A6	0.657	0.852	0.742	07/H4	0.600	0.563	0.581
10/C1				03/D1			1	01/B1				$07/\mathrm{H}1$			
06/A2				06/C1				06/D6				07/H2			
08/E2				05/A2				03/A2				07/A1			
09/C1				10/D3				12/H3				13/A5			
09/G2				12/B1				09/B2				02/B1			
10/B1 08/C1				05/D1 01/A4				08/F1 12/E2				$\frac{13}{A2}$ $\frac{03}{B2}$			
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				02/C1				09/D2				08/B1			
12/F1			1	08/A1	0.766	0.797	0.781	13/B5	0.739	0.708	0.723	10/F3	0.400	0.138	0.205
06/E1	0.788	0.893	0.837	06/H1	0.741	0.822	0.779	10/N1	0.648	0.814	0.722	$07/{\rm H}_{\rm 5}$	0.250	0.067	0.105
06/E2				09/E1				06/A1				$05/\mathrm{F}1$			
09/E3				03/C1				09/G1				07/H3			
14/D1				06/I1				03/A1				02/A2			
05/B1				12/E1								02/A1			
06/F4	0.806	0.853	0.829	12/C2	0.826	0.731	0.776	07/E1	0.615	0.812	0.700	06/F3	0.000	0.000	0.000

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