Intro to tidymodels

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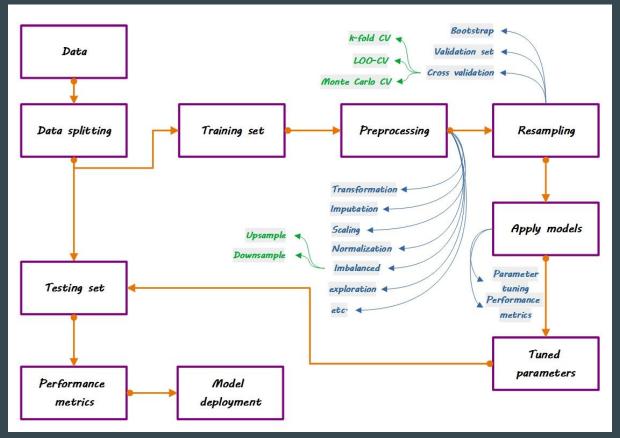
What is tidymodels?

- Collection of packages equivalent to tidyverse, but for machine learning
- Successor of caret package
- Lead by Max Kuhn and his team at R Studio
- Why tidymodels:
 - Overcome limitations of caret
 - Developed by R Studio team
 - Developed by Max Kuhn experienced biostatistician, previously work with Pfizer (> 10 years)
 - Probably going to be a standard approach in R for ML (personal opinion)

- Still in development (lacking documentation in certain areas)
- Complicated especially for beginners

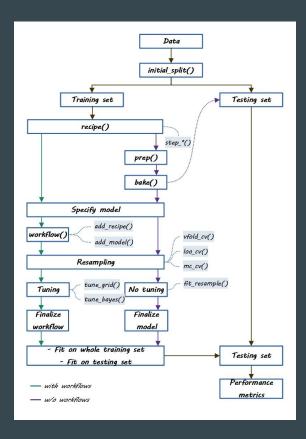
Why not tidymodels?

General flow of machine learning



- Recommended preprocessing steps*:
 - a. Imputation
 - b. Handle factor levels
 - c. Individual transformation for skewness and other issues
 - d. Discretize (last resort)
 - e. Create Dummy variable
 - f. Create interactions
 - g. Normalization steps (center, scale, etc)
 - h. Multivariate transformation (PCA, spatial sign, etc)

General flow of tidymodels



Packages in tidymodels

- Core packages:
 - Recipes: preprocessing
 - o rsamples: resample process
 - o parsnip: apply various ML models
 - o tune, dials: parameters tuning
 - o yardstick: performance metrics
 - o workflows: bind all the process in workflow
 - o brooms: extract information from ML model

- Specialized packages*:
 - o corr: for working with correlation matrices
 - o spatialsample: resampling process for spatial data
 - o finetune: more advanced tuning parameter approach
 - themis: upsample and downsample for class imbalance
 - o discrim: discriminant analysis model
 - o plsmod: partial least square model
 - o rule: rule based models (cubist, RuleFit, c5.0, etc)
 - baguette: ensemble ML (bagging @ bootstrap aggregating method)
 - stacks: ensemble ML (stacking method)
 - o poissonreg: various type of poisson regression
 - etc.

Good references

- https://www.tidymodels.org/
- https://www.tmwr.org/ (online book)
- https://www.youtube.com/c/JuliaSilge (Julia Silge's youtube)

Questions?



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