

Assignment 1 – Applied Machine Learning

Due Friday March 6 @11:55pm

This assignment must be submitted as a Jupyter Notebook, including texts and codes describing the analysis. The focus of the assignment should be on analyzing a data set, to ask some underlying question about the data, predict features and select the best model. The dataset must be selected by you from either the UCI (<https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets.php>) or Kaggle repositories (<https://www.kaggle.com/datasets>). The analysis should focus on the following steps.

1. Data Description and Analysis
 - a. Describe the motivation to select the dataset
 - b. State the objective and approach
 - c. Describe the data, visualize and analyze the data
2. Prediction
 - a. Choose a model
 - b. Prepare data for training (test-training split, cross-validation, k-folding)
 - c. Maximize performance
 - i. Appropriately select the parameters (optimize, visualize)
 - ii. Dimension reduction, feature selection, normalization, etc.
 - d. Analyze the results (overfitting-underfitting, confusion matrixes, decision boundaries, learning curves, etc.)
3. Model Selection
 - a. Apply the previous analysis for different models
 - b. Compare results
4. Conclusions
 - a. Discussions about parameter, structure choices and prediction results.

Submission Guidelines:

The assignment can be done individually or in groups of two. Submit your assignment as a single zip file through the moodle link provided. Use the following naming format for your zip file:

lastnameStudent1-lastnameStudent2-as1.zip

The zip file should contain the Jupyter notebook. Any comments, equations, images or discussion should be part of the notebook.