Automated documentation creation for a streamlined, compliant score build process

Credit Scoring and Credit Control XV

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Who are LexisNexis Risk Solutions?

Our vision: Be the essential partner in the assessment of relationship risk.

- LexisNexis Risk Solutions is a leader in providing essential information that helps customers across all industries and government assess, predict, and manage risk.

- Combining cutting-edge technology, unique data and advanced analytics, we provide products and services that address evolving client needs in the risk sector while upholding the highest standards of security and privacy.

- LexisNexis Risk Solutions is part of RELX Group plc, a world-leading provider of information and analytics for professional and business customers across industries.
Achieving this vision with an efficient and compliant process

- We have an automated modelling process for many use cases and outcome definitions.
- We have the ability to easily leverage different machine learning techniques.
- We have the ability to produce documentation efficiently for peer review and internal audit / industry compliance (FCA, GDPR).
Typical challenges when documenting a model build

• There is a disconnect between the model build process and the documentation describing it.

• Multiple touch points may exist across different software (e.g. SAS to Excel to Word).

• Errors can be made when ‘tuning out’ during repeated editing of the document.

• Bugs/errors are found during documentation and peer review, requiring the model build process to be re-run.
R Markdown - data prep, model building and documentation

- Data sample
- Machine learning modules
- Hyper parameters
- Interactive HTML dashboard
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Example – predicting whether an individual will receive a CCJ

10,000 individuals. 78 LexisNexis Risk Solutions attributes.

LASSO regression, decision tree, gradient boosting, neural network

Hyper parameters for each technique

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Detailed output capability within formal documentation

3 Predictors

The following ROC curve:

8 Comparison of techniques

8.1 Model performance

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Headlines capability within HTML dashboard for quick review

61.3  
Build Gini (Decision Tree)

58.6  
Validation Gini (LA2010)

47.4  
Build Gini (Decision Tree)

44.1  
Validation Gini (Decision Tree)

69.6  
Build Gini (DBM)

67.2  
Validation Gini (DBM)

63.0  
Build Gini (Insured Net)

56.8  
Validation Gini (Insured Net)

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Summary

• It is possible to develop an end-to-end model building process within RStudio, including the model documentation stage.

• Such a process dramatically reduces the time taken to build and document a predictive model.

• It also reduces the risk of human error when producing documentation for peer review and internal audit / industry compliance (FCA, GDPR).

• The process can be future proof in that extra metrics can be easily added, as can modules for new modelling techniques.

• This process has been adopted for developing models in LexisNexis Risk Solutions UK, for internal use and to build custom scores for clients.