

Categorical Data Analysis Using R in Machine Learning

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Abstract

Data analysis is an important aspect in Machine learning. Analysis can be done using several analytical tools like Excel, Python, R, Octave, SPSS etc. It is important to know how to perform data analysis before creating any model in Machine Learning. Data analysis helps in understanding the data better before applying the Machine Learning algorithm. Analysis can be performed numerically and visually which would help the analyst to understand the basics and relationship between data. Normally in data science projects many data analysts directly do the modeling without understanding the data, which leads to rework or additional effort. In this paper we will see how to understand the data better and how to analyse the data using R.

1. Introduction

R is a programming language which is used for statistical computing and data analysis in Machine Learning.

R is a open source language which has around 7800 packages for various computational tasks. It is an easy and flexible language where beginners can also easily adapt to the language. R is not only entrusted by academicians, but it is also one of most popular language used by Data analyst, Researcher, Statistician etc.

The data which is used in this package is from ISLR Package with default item which is named as Credit Card Default Data.

Install the Software

The integrated Development Environment available for developing R application is RStudio(R Version 3.5.1). This tool is available in the open source link which can be downloaded and installed.

Install the Packages

There are predefined datasets available in R. This paper uses the ISLR Package

```
library(ISLR)
```

Load the Data

Load the predefined data Smarket.

```
data=Smarket
```

Summarize the Dataset

Print the summary details of the loaded data.

```
summary(data)
```

```
'data.frame': 1250 obs. of 9 variables:
 $ Year      : num  2001 2001 2001 2001 2001 ...
 $ Lag1      : num  0.381 0.959 1.032 -0.623 0.614 ...
 $ Lag2      : num  -0.192 0.381 0.959 1.032 -0.623 ...
 $ Lag3      : num  -2.624 -0.192 0.381 0.959 1.032 ...
 $ Lag4      : num  -1.055 -2.624 -0.192 0.381 0.959 ...
 $ Lag5      : num  5.01 -1.055 -2.624 -0.192 0.381 ...
 $ Volume     : num  1.19 1.3 1.41 1.28 1.21 ...
 $ Today     : num  0.959 1.032 -0.623 0.614 0.213 ...
 $ Direction: Factor w/ 2 levels "Down","Up": 2 2 1 2 2 2 1 2 2 2 ...
```

Visualising the Dataset

Density Plot

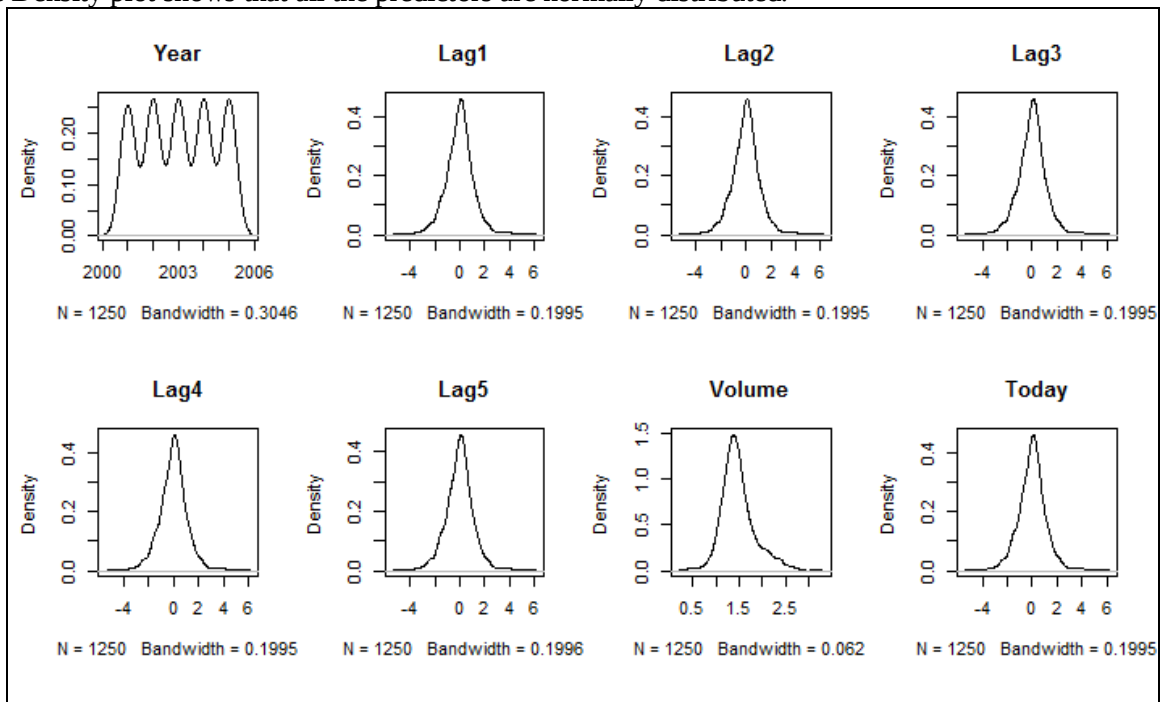
```
par(mfrow=c(2,4))

for(i in 1:8) {

  plot(density(data[,i]),main=names(data[i]))

}
```

The Density plot shows that all the predictors are normally distributed.



Box Plot

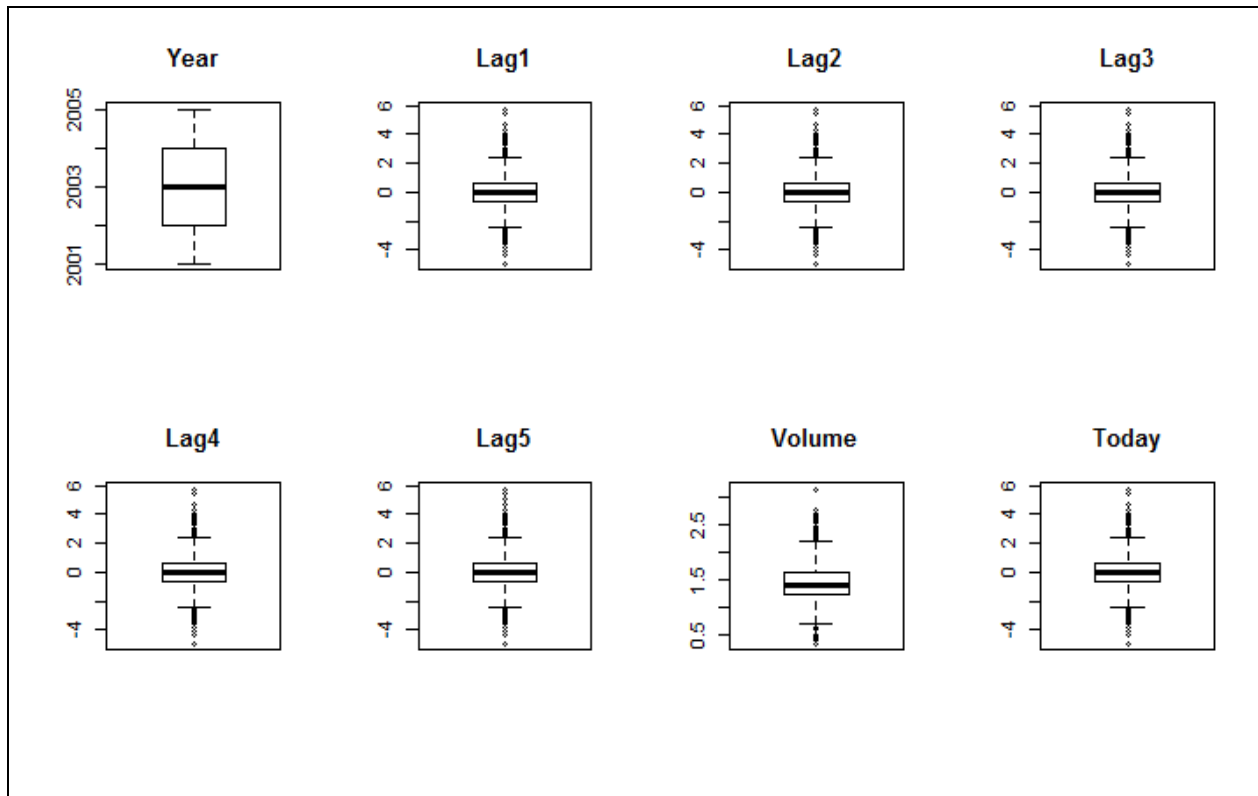
```
par(mfrow=c(2,4))

for(i in 1:8) {

  boxplot(data[,i], main=names(data)[i])

}
```

The box plot shows that all the data is around the median.



Build the Training and Test Set

The dataset is splitted into training set and test set with 70% of data in training set and 30% of data as test set.

```
#####Splitting the data set to test and Train####

trainindex=createDataPartition(data$Direction,p=0.70,list=FALSE,times=1)

train=data[trainindex,]

test=data[-trainindex,]
```

Build the Data Model

Different algorithms which works on Qualitative data are listed here.

- Logistic Regression
- Linear Discriminant Analysis
- Quadratic Discriminant Analysis
- K-Nearest Neighbour

```
logisticmodel=train(Direction~. , data=data,method="glm",metric="metric")
ldamodel=train(Direction~. , data=data,method="lda",metric="metric")
qdamodel=train(Direction~. , data=data,method="qda",metric="metric")
knearestmodel=train(Direction~. , data=data,method="knn",metric="metric")
```

Select the Best Model

```
# Summarize accuracy of models

result=resamples(list(logreg=logisticmodel,lda=ldamodel,qda=qdamodel,knn=knearestmodel))

summary(result)
```

```
Call:
summary.resamples(object = result)

Models: logreg, lda, qda, knn
Number of resamples: 25

Accuracy
      Min.   1st Qu.   Median     Mean   3rd Qu.     Max. NA's
logreg 0.9889135 0.9933333 0.9954649 0.9945792 0.9977876 0.9978814    0
lda    0.9279476 0.9432314 0.9545455 0.9520643 0.9585062 0.9763948    0
qda    0.8800000 0.9148472 0.9234043 0.9245369 0.9311828 0.9568966    0
knn    0.8303571 0.8395604 0.8556263 0.8559690 0.8649886 0.8933054    0

Kappa
      Min.   1st Qu.   Median     Mean   3rd Qu.     Max. NA's
logreg 0.9778066 0.9865856 0.9907970 0.9891346 0.9955657 0.9957595    0
lda    0.8555757 0.8858162 0.9089476 0.9037361 0.9169824 0.9525238    0
qda    0.7600691 0.8299084 0.8463494 0.8484090 0.8618384 0.9136889    0
knn    0.6606602 0.6774460 0.7100174 0.7110859 0.7297531 0.7860340    0
```

The Best Model is

The logistic regression model provides better result when compared to other models.

```
#summarise the best model
```

```
print(logisticmodel)
```

```
> print(logisticmodel)
Generalized Linear Model

1250 samples
 8 predictor
 2 classes: 'Down', 'Up'

No pre-processing
Resampling: Bootstrapped (25 reps)
Summary of sample sizes: 1250, 1250, 1250, 1250, 1250, 1250, ...
Resampling results:

Accuracy   Kappa
0.9935797  0.9871231

>
```

Make Predictions

As Logistic regression produce good result, the same model is applied on test data for predictions. The accuracy is 100%.

```
#estimate of Logistic Regression on Test Set
```

```
predictions=predict(logisticmodel,test)
```

```
confusionMatrix(predictions,test$Direction)
```

```
Confusion Matrix and Statistics

              Reference
Prediction Down Up
Down      180   0
Up         0  194

              Accuracy : 1
              95% CI : (0.9902, 1)
No Information Rate : 0.5187
P-Value [Acc > NIR] : < 2.2e-16

              Kappa : 1
McNemar's Test P-Value : NA

              Sensitivity : 1.0000
              Specificity : 1.0000
              Pos Pred Value : 1.0000
              Neg Pred Value : 1.0000
              Prevalence : 0.4813
              Detection Rate : 0.4813
              Detection Prevalence : 0.4813
              Balanced Accuracy : 1.0000

              'Positive' Class : Down
```

2. Conclusion

This paper clearly explains the step by step process for analyzing categorical variables in R. It explains from Loading the data and building different models with training set. The test set is predicted with the best model and the metrics were evaluated.