Capturing the power of ensemble learning using GLM and Artificial Neural Network for insurance pricing

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GLM vs ANN

GLM

ANN

- Extension of the classical linear models
- Transparency in operations
- Ease of understanding
- Easy to explain
- Lesser time taken to fit a model
- Widely used in Non-Life Insurance pricing

- Inspired from the functioning of a human brain
- Effective pattern recognition ability
- Automatic variable interaction
- Flexibility in choosing weightage of the variables
- Lesser time to define the model topology
- More flexible

Ensemble Learning



The best model "knows less" about the data, than all others "weak models" combined.

The Data

	IDpol	ClaimNb	Exposure	Area	VehPower	VehAge	DrivAge	BonusMalus	VehBrand	VehGas	Density	Region
0	1.0	1	0.10	D	5	0	55	50	B12	Regular	1217	R82
1	3.0	1	0.77	D	5	0	55	50	B12	Regular	1217	R82
2	5.0	1	0.75	В	6	2	52	50	B12	Diesel	54	R22
3	10.0	1	0.09	В	7	0	46	50	B12	Diesel	76	R72
4	11.0	1	0.84	В	7	0	46	50	B12	Diesel	76	R72

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'> RangeIndex: 678013 entries, 0 to 678012 Data columns (total 12 columns):

Ŧ	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype			
0	IDpol	678013 non-null	float64			
1	ClaimNb	678013 non-null	int64			
2	Exposure	678013 non-null	float64			
3	Area	678013 non-null	object			
4	VehPower	678013 non-null	int64			
5	VehAge	678013 non-null	int64			
6	DrivAge	678013 non-null	int64			
7	BonusMalus	678013 non-null	int64			
8	VehBrand	678013 non-null	object			
9	VehGas	678013 non-null	object			
10	Density	678013 non-null	int64			
11	Region	678013 non-null	object			
dtypes: float64(2), int64(6), object(4)						
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We work with the **French Motor third party** liability dataset freMTPL2freq.

The dataset has **678,013** rows representing individual claim records and **12** columns representing the different features of those records.

Naive Model - Intercept Only

```
# Intercept only model
# claim frequency
cf <- sum(learn$ClaimNb)/sum(learn$Exposure)
learn$fit.cf <- cf*learn$Exposure
test$fit.cf <- cf*test$Exposure</pre>
```

Poisson Deviance Learn – 33.09% Poisson Deviance Test – 32.79%

The Benchmark 'GLM2' Model

d.glm2	<- glm(ClaimNb ~ VehPowerGLM + VehAgeGLM
	+ BonusMalusGLM + VehBrand + VehGas
	+ DensityGLM + Region + AreaGLM
	+ DrivAge + log(DrivAge) + I(DrivAge^2)
	+ I(DrivAge^3) + I(DrivAge^4),
	data=learn, offset=log(Exposure),
	<pre>family=poisson())</pre>

Poisson Deviance Learn – 31.23% Poisson Deviance Test – 31.14%

Schelldorfer, Jürg and Wuthrich, Mario V., Nesting Classical Actuarial Models into Neural Networks (January 22, 2019).

Evaluation of Models

```
# Function Benchmark.GLM2: Improvement in Poisson Deviance on test set compared to GLM2-INT-
Improvement
Benchmark.GLM2 <- function(txt, pred, obs) {
    index <- ((PD(pred, obs) - PD(test$fit.cf, test$ClaimNb)) / (PD(test$fitGLM2, test$Claim
Nb) - PD(test$fit.cf, test$ClaimNb))) * 100
    sprintf("GLM2-Improvement-Index (PD test) of %s: %.1f%%", txt, index)
}
```

GLM2 Improvement Index of a Given Model PD(Given Model) – PD(Intercept – Only Model)

PD(GLM2) – PD(Intercept – Only Model)

The Neural Network Model



Poisson deviance learn – 30.39% Poisson deviance test – 30.30% The GLM2 improvement index of the ANN model is 150.9%.

Combined Actuarial Neural Network - CANN

Nesting Classical Actuarial Models into Neural Networks

YES, WE CANN! (Combined Actuarial Neural Net)

Aim is to increase the acceptance of neural net modeling in the actuarial community

Neural nets may substantially improve classical actuarial models, if appropriately applied



Poisson deviance Learn – 30.58% Poisson deviance Test – 30.22% The GLM2 improvement index of the CANN model is 155.8%.

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The Ensm1 Model – Weighted Average Ensemble



Poisson deviance Learn – 30.58% Poisson deviance Test – 30.28% The GLM2 improvement index of the ENSM1 model is 152.1%.

The Ensm2 Model – Stacked Ensemble



Poisson deviance Learn – 28.39% Poisson deviance Test – 29.89% The GLM2 improvement index of the ENSM2 model is 175.8%.

The Ensm3 Model - 3rd Level Stacked Ensemble



HIDDEN LAYER 1

The Results



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