

Towards prediction of structured values

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1 Introduction

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Learning predictive models is a common task. Based on input values, a predictive model delivers a set of output values. These input values are a mixture of different types such as numerical, categorical or structured values. They are entered in the model which computes the outcome. The output is typically a single value or a vector of values.

$$f: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m: x_1, \dots, x_n \to f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = y_1, \dots, y_m$$

2 Problem description

- •Most common output values: numerical/categorical, what about structured values?
- •How to learn a model, predicting a structured value?
 - What are the needs?
 - >What are possible restrictions?
- •An example application: deriving the structure of a molecule based on its mass spectrogram.

f : mass spectrogram → molecule structure





3 Approach

Use of methods that can handle structured values, such as ILP
Predict numerical features such as number of atoms
Predict categorical features such as class of molecule (alcohol, alkane,...)
Combine all this with physical and chemical constraints

Further information

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