Predicting Young People

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Introduction & Motivation

• Through the use of SVMs and Deep Neural Networks, we classified and predicted preferences, interests, habits, opinions, and fears of young people.



Problem Formulation & Lit Review

- Data set: https://www.kaggle.com/miroslavsabo/young-people-survey
- Based on: Sleziak, P. Sabo, M.: Gender differences in the prevalence of specific phobias. Forum Statisticum Slovacum. 2014, Vol. 10, No. 6. [Differences (gender + whether people lived in village/town) in the prevalence of phobias.]
- Sabo, Miroslav. Multivariate Statistical Methods with Applications. Diss. Slovak
 University of Technology in Bratislava, 2014. [Clustering of variables (music preferences, movie preferences, phobias) + Clustering of people w.r.t. their interests.]

Proposed Solution

- We trained a Deep Neural Network to perform regression and use the mean squared error evaluation as our scoring function.
 - For all groups we predict all the other groups
 - Ex. Predict Movies based on Music, Spending based on Personality, etc.
- Further we use multi-class SVMs to perform classification.
 - For some pairs of groups we classified different columns based on a group.
 - Ex. Classify how much you like shopping malls (Spending) based on Personality, Comedy (Movies) based on Music, etc.
 - For some pairs of columns we classified one based on the other.
 - Ex. Classify How much money you save (Spending) based on how early you get up (Personality), etc.

Data Description: Young People Survey - Kaggle

- All participants were of Slovakian nationality, aged between 15-30.
- 1010 data entries
- Data (scale of 1-5)
 - Music preferences (19 items)
 - Movie preferences (12 items)
 - Hobbies & interests (32 items)
 - Phobias (10 items)
 - Personality traits, views on life, & opinions (57 items)
 - Spending habits (7 items)
 - Demographics (4 items)

Ouestions in Survé 1. I save all the money I can.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer) 2. I enjoy going to large shopping centres.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer) 3. I prefer branded clothing to non branded.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)

PERSONALITY TRAITS, VIEWS ON LIFE & OPINIONS

- 1. I take notice of what goes on around me.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 2. I try to do tasks as soon as possible and not leave them until last minute.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 3. I always make a list so I don't forget anything.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 4. I often study or work even in my spare time.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 5. I look at things from all different angles before I go ahead.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 6. I believe that bad people will suffer one day and good people will be rewarded.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 7. I am reliable at work and always complete all tasks given to me.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 8. I always keep my promises.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 9. I can fall for someone very quickly and then completely lose interest.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 10. I would rather have lots of friends than lots of money.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 11. I always try to be the funniest one.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 12. I can be two faced sometimes.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 13. I damaged things in the past when angry.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 14. I take my time to make decisions.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 15. I always try to vote in elections.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 16. I often think about and regret the decisions I make.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 17. I can tell if people listen to me or not when I talk to them.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 18. I am a hypochondriac.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 19. I am emphatetic person.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 20. I eat because I have to. I don't enjoy food and eat as fast as I can.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 21. I try to give as much as I can to other people at Christmas.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 22. I don't like seeing animals suffering.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 23. I look after things I have borrowed from others.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)

SPENDING HABITS

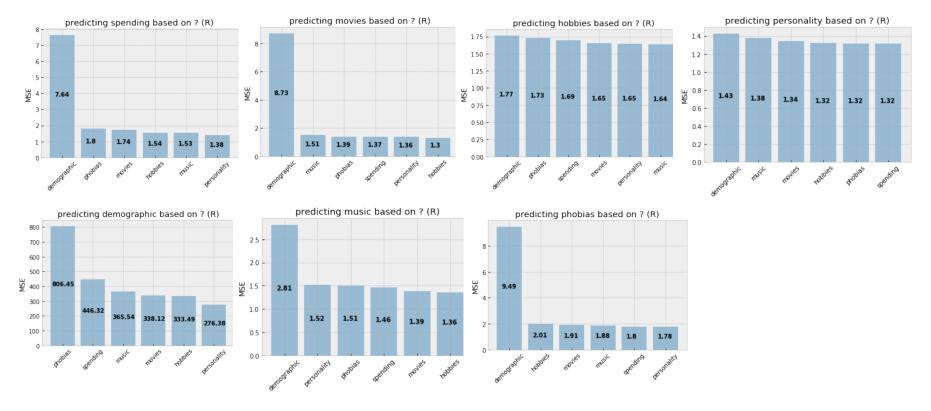
- 1. I save all the money I can.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 3. I prefer branded clothing to non branded.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 4. I spend a lot of money on partying and socializing.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 5. I spend a lot of money on my appearance.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 6. I spend a lot of money on gadgets.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 7. I will hapilly pay more money for good, quality or healthy food.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)

MUSIC PREFERENCES

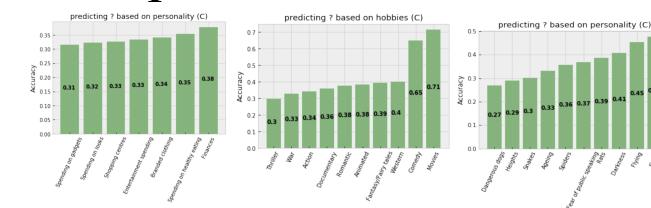
- 1. I enjoy listening to music.: Strongly disagree 1-2-3-4-5 Strongly agree (integer)
- 2. I prefer.: Slow paced music 1-2-3-4-5 Fast paced music (integer)
- 3. Dance, Disco, Funk: Don't enjoy at all 1-2-3-4-5 Enjoy very much (integer)
- 4. Folk music: Don't enjoy at all 1-2-3-4-5 Enjoy very much (integer)
- 5. Country: Don't enjoy at all 1-2-3-4-5 Enjoy very much (integer)
- 6. Classical: Don't enjoy at all 1-2-3-4-5 Enjoy very much (integer)
- 7. Musicals: Don't enjoy at all 1-2-3-4-5 Enjoy very much (integer)
- 8. Pop: Don't enjoy at all 1-2-3-4-5 Enjoy very much (integer)
- 9. Rock: Don't enjoy at all 1-2-3-4-5 Enjoy very much (integer)
- 10. Metal, Hard rock: Don't enjoy at all 1-2-3-4-5 Enjoy very much (integer)
- 11. Punk: Don't enjoy at all 1-2-3-4-5 Enjoy very much (integer)
- 12. Hip hop, Rap: Don't enjoy at all 1-2-3-4-5 Enjoy very much (integer)
- 13. Reggae, Ska: Don't enjoy at all 1-2-3-4-5 Enjoy very much (integer)
- 14. Swing, Jazz: Don't enjoy at all 1-2-3-4-5 Enjoy very much (integer)
- 15. Rock n Roll: Don't enjoy at all 1-2-3-4-5 Enjoy very much (integer)
- 16. Alternative music: Don't enjoy at all 1-2-3-4-5 Enjoy very much (integer)
- 17. Latin: Don't enjoy at all 1-2-3-4-5 Enjoy very much (integer)
- 18. Techno. Trance: Don't enjoy at all 1-2-3-4-5 Enjoy very much (integer)
- 19. Opera: Don't enjoy at all 1-2-3-4-5 Enjoy very much (integer)

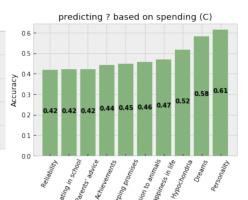
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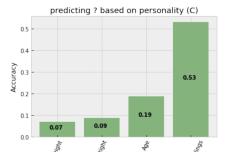
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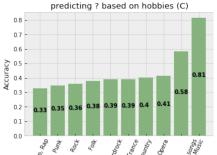


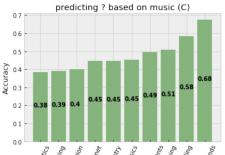
Group, Attribute Classification











Finance = I save all the money I can

Movies = I really enjoy watching movies.

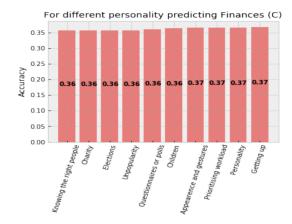
Music = I enjoy listening to music

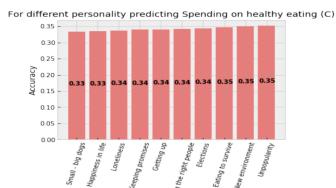
Personality = I believe all my personality traits are positive.

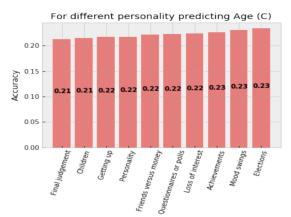
Fun with friends = Socializing

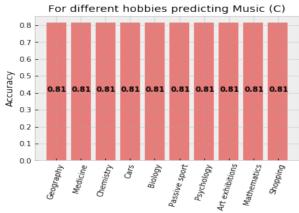
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Classification









 $\label{eq:Getting} \textbf{Getting Up} = \textbf{I} \text{ find it very difficult to get up in the} \\ \text{morning}$

Elections= I always try to vote in elections

Unpopularity = I will find a fault in myself if people don't like me.

Personality = I believe all my personality traits are positive.

New environment = I can quickly adapt to a new environment

Interesting Results

- We can best predict spending habits based on personality and vice verse.
 - We can best classify view of personality based on spending habits (61%)
- We can best predict demographics based on personality.
 - We can best classify # of siblings based on personality (53%).
- We can best predict music based on hobbies.
 - We can classify if you like fast or slow music with 58% based on hobbies.
 - How much you like music is easy to classify for any hobby.

Questions?