Introduction to Machine Learning (NPFL054)

HW #1 – Data analysis and clustering in R

The exercises relate to the mov.development.csv data set, which you can download from the course webpage https://ufal.mff.cuni.cz/course/NPFL054/materials. Upload this data set into R using the load-mov-data.R code posted at the website as well.

Hint:

source("load-mov-data.R"); ls()
[1] "examples" "movies" "u" "users" "votes"

1. Work with examples. Compute conditional entropy H(OCCUPATION|RATING).

Points: 1

2. Produce side-by-side boxplots of the ratings of the movies rated 67 times. For each movie, draw a point for its average rating in the corresponding boxplot. Provide an interpretation of the boxplots.

Points: 2

Hint: Get familiar with the functions boxplot() and points().

Solution: See Figure 1 below.

- 3. Cluster the users in users.
 - (a) extend users with 5 new features, namely
 - ONE for the relative frequency of ratings 1 assigned by the user
 - TWO for the relative frequency of ratings 2 assigned by the user
 - THREE for the relative frequency of ratings 3 assigned by the user
 - FOUR for the relative frequency of ratings 4 assigned by the user
 - FIVE for the relative frequency of ratings 5 assigned by the user

!!! Round the relative frequencies to 2 decimal places **!!!**

- (b) use the features AGE, ONE, TWO, THREE, FOUR, FIVE and perform hierarchical agglomerative clustering using average linkage
- (c) cut the dendrogram at a height that results in twenty clusters
- (d) explore the clusters
 - compute the number of users in each cluster
 - compute the average age of users in each cluster
 - for each cluster check whether there are some duplicates, i.e. users of the same age and with identical distribution of ratings

Points: 7

Movies rated 67 times

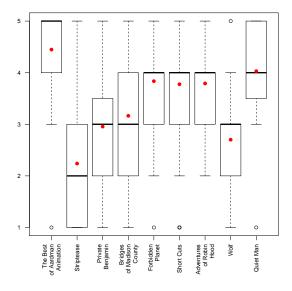


Figure 1: Solution of the exercise 2

How to submit your assignment

- Write your R code to get answers for the exercises and name it YourLastName_YourFirstName_hw1.R. Do not use diacritical marks!
- Write your answers into the template file hw1.odt posted at the course webpage. Do not change the structure of this file. Save the file as YourLastName_YourFirstName_hw1.odt and then export it as YourLastName_YourFirstName_hw1.pdf. Do not use diacritical marks!
- E-mail both files YourLastName_YourFirstName_hw1. [R|pdf] to the contact person specified in the homework assignment.