Machine Learning as a Platform at PayPal Risk

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Start from a Sophisticated Payment Fraud Case



- ♦ The fraudsters scaled the attack by opening many accounts
- ♦ The attack cause this loss in just a few days

♦ It was a clean and sophisticated fraud
with no links or velocity



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PayPal Risk: Building Trust in a New World

Industry Trends Redefining the Way PayPal Builds Trust Between Buyers and Sellers



Sources: ¹ Nielsen, Dept of Commerce, JP Morgan; ² PayPal & IPSOS Study; ³ Symantec, Gemalto, LexisNexis

Hybrid Solution of Risk Fraud Detection & New Product Promotion



* Different kinds of models adopted in different fraud cases

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More and More Machine Learning Scenarios at PayPal Risk

More and More Business Cases



Platform Requirements





New ML Model On Board

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Overview: An End-to-End Machine Learning Platform

1. Data & Feature Platform



Pain point: >50% of time is in feature engineering: data preparation, data cleaning, data transforming



- \diamond Feature data mart is built to solve feature engineering pain point
- ♦ Clean data daily before new data ETL to data mart
- \diamond Dashboard for users to check feature metrics
- \diamond UDF for user easy to do transform
- ✤ Built on Pig/Hive/SparkSQL, unified interface / pipeline

Statistical Features & Complicated/Embedding Features

Variable: traditional variable is profile/behavior based statistical variables like # of transactions in a period.



Component: complicated variable developed by complicated data mining process like clustering or classifying on specified data set.

Example: fraud networks on clustering

Typical use case: collusion model

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2. (Auto) End-to-End Training Platform

Training Pipeline Layer



♦ Training Pipeline Layer

- ♦ Full pipeline support without stepping out
- ♦ Flexible pipeline (restarting from every step)
- ♦ Large scale/high performance for more tries
- ♦ More training frameworks proactively adapted
- ♦ More AI approaches natively support
- \diamond Integrated with offline/online model store

♦ Resource Management Layer

- \diamond Such layer is transparent to front-end users
- ♦ Unified data input layer
- ♦ Multiple tenancy support for resources
- ♦ Scheduler for CPU & GPU resources

Ensemble/Segment/Embedding Model Native Support

Ensemble Models

Segment Models

Embedding Model







- 1. Meta model can be LR/NN/GBDT/LSTM ...
- 2. Ensemble model by LR or Poly-Regression by align different model scores into one score
- 3. Logic under ensemble is each mode has lift, by ensemble, can leverage all lifts

- 1. Segment is business condition
- 3. Start from a general model, then deep into segments to 3. Model cascading like ensemble models check if segment model is needed
- 1. Embedding is useful for new feature generation
- 2. In different segments, models/features can be different 2. Final models leverage raw features and embedded features

3. (Auto) Model Deployment & Execution



Offline & Online Model Cycle Management

Offline Model Cycle Management

\diamond Offline Model Store

- \diamond Store historical models
- ♦ Key checkpoint model storage
- \diamond Link with model sync system for fast model push
- \diamond Model Profile Information
 - \diamond Modeling platform, version
 - \diamond Training data information, variable stats
 - \diamond For ensemble, sub model profile information
 - ♦ Variable importance
 - \diamond Key training parameters
- \diamond Model Evaluation Result
 - ♦ Evaluation data stats
 - \diamond Performance metrics

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Online Model Cycle Management

♦ Model State Management

- \diamond Deploy -> Audit -> Serving -> Dead
- \diamond Version management
- ♦ Ensemble/segment model management
- \diamond Model Metrics Collection & Monitor
 - ♦ Computation cost
 - ♦ Memory cost
 - \diamond Disk cost
 - ♦ Feature cost
- ♦ Portable Model Engine / Service
 - ♦ Easy to port into compute service/model service/...
 - ♦ Isolate CPU with IO, enable CPU optimizations
 - ♦ Isolate audit model & production model computation

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Machine Learning Pipeline Framework

Shifu is an open-source, end-to-end machine learning and data mining framework built on top of Hadoop.

- <u>https://github.com/ShifuML/shifu</u>
- 5+ orgs/companies leverage Shifu to train models outside of PayPal
- 5+ contributors for PR outside of PayPal



Fast & Powerful: Distributed training to handle large dataset.



Standard process and independent tool to build model

Data Scientist + Engineer = More Possible

- Variable ReBinning
- Sensitivity Analysis
- Correlation Analysis
- PARETO Variable Selection
- Segments Combine Training

*Guagua is an iterative computing framework on Hadoop YARN: https://github.com/ShifuML/guagua



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Deep Learning Inference Support in Compute Service



Generic Deep Learning Inference Framework



* All inference implementations can be replaced by using different implementation

- * Interceptor mechanism supports logic pre and post inference
- * Same interceptor can be configured to different inference implementation

Portable Model Engine & Smart Client



- * Models can be run in compute service or dedicated model service
- * Portable model engine means such model by dynamic configuring it run in compute service or model service
- * Real time compute service including data loading, feature computation and model computation
- * Smart client means no code change to call model from local or remote service

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Unified/Scalable Deep Learning Model Service

Questions:

- 1. How to scale model service to 1000 models level?
- 2. How to dynamically call multiple models in one request?





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Model Performance: Stable > Accurate



 \diamond Deep model is good at first but later worse

 \diamond Ensemble & bagging model is the most stable one

 \diamond Cost of ensemble model < deep NN model

Deep model (feature embedding) + ensemble model (stable performance)

More Intelligent Training Platform

Auto Tuning Auto tune system parameters for run time performance Auto Diagnose 1. Suggest solutions when failures 2. Auto recovery for some kind of failures Auto ML

1. Automated parameter tuning

2. Automated algorithm selection

3. Automated feature selection

4. Automated model ensemble







Performance, Stability, Flexibility

Goal of Platform: Fast but Less Failures

- 1. 80% training jobs are finished in 2 hours in one week
- 2. 94% training jobs running successfully in last one week

Goal of Platform: Scalable but Less Resource Usage

- 1. # Of workers scaled to maximal 3000; (20T memory)
- 2. Memory reduction by leveraging float numbers in NN and short in tree-ensemble models

Goal of Platform: Automated but Flexible

- 1. Automated pipeline to support fast model refresh case
- 2. Whole pipeline is flexible and can be integrated into different tools/platforms

Unified Machine Learning System



- 1. Continuous evolvement framework/platform
- 2. Key is unified as one product
- 3. More data/feature/model governance



Python notebook/data visualization to enable better eco system



UI is very important!!!



- 1. Evolved in every domain of modeling
- 2. Better/quick feeding requests for domain teams
- 3. Support work for more/better adoptions
- 4. Collaborations with modeling/data science teams





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