# Applications of multi-class machine learning models to drug design

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#### **Overview**

#### **Applications of multi-class machine learning models to ADMET**

- Motivation
- Approaches/Methodology
- Application
- Comparison
- Summary/Conclusions



# Motivation

- Until recently, machine learning classification models in Cheminformatics literature have generally modeled binary endpoints (active/inactive, substrate/non-substrate, toxic/non-toxic, etc.)
- Recent examples of multi-class models and/or endpoints relevant to drug discovery
  - Mode of Action of 220 phenols in T. pyriformis toxicity assay (4 class decision tree model)
    - Schüürmann et al, Chem Res Tox, 16, 974 (2003)
  - Extended Clearance Classification System
    - Predicts 1 of 3 dominant clearance mechanisms via a 6 class decision tree scheme
    - Varma et al, Pharm Res, **32**, 3785 (2015) and subsequent publications
  - Acute Rat Toxicity based on LD50
    - GHS (Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals)
      - 5 toxic classes
      - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Globally\_Harmonized\_System\_of\_Classification\_and\_Labelling\_of\_Chemicals
    - EPA uses 4 toxicity classes derived from essentially the same data
      - <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Toxicity\_category\_rating</u>
  - AMES Mutagenicity
    - NIHS Japan uses 3 categories, strongly positive, positive, negative



## Approach

 Extend the machine learning algorithms of ADMET Modeler<sup>™</sup> and ADMET Predictor<sup>™</sup> to train and deploy Artificial Neural Network Ensemble (ANNE) models for predicting multi-class endpoints



Multi-Class Architecture

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#### **Multi-Classifier ANN Architecture - Deployment**



Weights optimized to improve training set model performance



## **Multi-Class ANN Objective Function - Training**

 Let g<sub>ij</sub> be the i'th output for observation j of the training set. Let observation j belong to class k. Let the number of observations in class k be N<sub>k</sub>. Let the number of classes be K. Then:





# **Combining Individual Network Predictions**



- Voting
  - Plurality with elimination (also known as instant runoff voting)
    - <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Instant-runoff\_voting</u>



# **Some Alternative ANN Approaches**

- Softmax Output
  - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Softmax\_function
- Cross-Entropy Loss function
  - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cross\_entropy
- Did not offer any improvement over logistic output and squared error loss on data sets we investigated



#### **Model Building - Overview**





# **Early Stopping Avoids Overtraining**

- 1. Split training set into training and verification sets
- 2. Optimize network weights to improve training set performance
- 3. Monitor performance of verification set determines stopping point





#### **Some Metrics for Two-Class models**

• Accuracy

$$Acc = N_{correct}/N_{total}$$

- Matthews Correlation Coefficient (perfect = 1, random = 0, worst = -1)
  - Matthews, Biochem Biophys Acta, 405, 442, (1975)

$$MCC = \frac{TP * TN - FP * FN}{\sqrt{(TP + FP)(TP + FN)(TN + FP)(TN + FN)}}$$

- Youden's Index (perfect = 1, random = 0, worst = -1)
  - Youden, Cancer, 3, 32 (1950)

$$Y = \frac{TP}{TP + FN} + \frac{TN}{TN + FP} = \text{sensitivity} + \text{specificity} - 1$$
  
Note: Balanced Accuracy (BA) =  $\frac{Y + 1}{2}$ 



#### **Some Metrics for Multi-Class models**

• Accuracy

$$Acc = N_{correct}/N_{total}$$

- Generalized Matthews Correlation Coefficient (perfect = 1, random = 0)
  - Gorodkin, Comp. Biol. Chem., 28, 367 (2004)

$$MCC = \frac{N_{tot}N_{corr} - \sum o_k p_k}{\sqrt{(N_{tot}^2 - \sum o_k o_k)(N_{tot}^2 - \sum p_k p_k)}}$$

 $o_k$ ,  $p_k$ : Number observed, predicted in class k

• Generalized Youden's Index (perfect = 1, random = 0)

$$Y = \frac{N_{tot}N_{corr} - \sum o_k p_k}{N_{tot}^2 - \sum o_k o_k}$$



#### **Evaluate Performance of ANNE Models**

						Mode	el Perfo	rmance	Grid							Methic
Youden	14 Inputs	21 Inputs	28 Inputs	35 Inputs	42 Inputs	49 Inputs	56 Inputs	63 Inputs	70 Inputs	77 Inputs	84 Inputs	91 Inputs	98 Inputs	105 Inputs	112 Inputs	O Sensitivity
	0.32	0.33	0.33	0.33	0.33	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.37	0.36	0.36	0.35	0.35	0.36	0.35	<ul> <li>Specificity</li> </ul>
3 Neurons	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Vouden
	0.32	0.32	0.31	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.32	0.32	0.31	0.30	0.31	0.32	0.29	
	0.34	0.34	0.33	0.36	0.35	0.36	0.36	0.35	0.36	0.36	0.37	0.37	0.36	0.36	0.37	O MCC
4 Neurons	0.21	0.21	- 0.20	- 0.22	- 0.22	- 0.20	0.21	0.21	0.21	- 0.22	0.21	0.21	- 0.20	0.21	0.21	O Min Confidence
	0.31	0.31	0.25	0.32	0.32	0.29	0.31	0.31	0.37	0.32	0.31	0.37	0.30	0.36	0.36	O Ealse Rate
5 Neurons	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.32	0.31	0.31	0.32	0.31	0.30	0.30	0.31	0.30	0.30	
	0.33	0.34	0.35	0.35	0.37	0.38	0.39	0.38	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.36	Legend
6 Neurons	-		-		-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	Verify
	0.33	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.31	0.31	0.31	0.32	0.31	0.33	0.31	0.29	0.31	0.29	0.27	Test
	0.34	0.34	0.35	0.36	0.39	0.39	0.37	0.38	0.38	0.37	0.38	0.37	0.38	0.36	0.37	Good
/ Neurons	- 0.22	0.21	0.21	- 0.20	- 0.21	- 0.22	- 0.21	0.21		- 0.21	- 0.21	- 0.20	- 0.20	- 0.20	0.20	dood
	0.32	0.31	0.31	0.30	0.31	0.32	0.37	0.31	0.30	0.31	0.31	0.29	0.30	0.29	0.29	
8 Neurons	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	0.32	0.30	0.29	0.29	0.30	0.32	0.32	0.32	0.32	0.31	0.31	0.32	0.29	0.29	0.28	
/	0.34	0.35	0.35	0.36	0.38	0.38	0.38	0.39	0.39	0.39	0.37	0.37	0.38	0.37	0.38	
9 Neurons	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	0.32	0.31	0.29	0.29	0.30	0.31	0.31	0.31	0.30	0.31	0.30	0.29	0.27	0.31	0.31	
10.1	0.35	0.35	0.36	0.37	0.38	0.39	0.38	0.38	0.37	0.38	0.38	0.37	0.38	0.38	0.38	STOP Prove
10 Neurons	0.33	0.30	0.30	0.32	0.30	0.21	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.31	0.31	0.30	0.31	0.31	0.31	STOP Proce
	0.34	0.34	0.35	0.32	0.38	0.38	0.38	0.38	0.39	0.38	0.37	0.30	0.38	0.38	0.38	
11 Neurons	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	View Log File
	0.32	0.30	0.28	0.30	0.31	0.30	0.31	0.30	0.31	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.30	0.30	0.30	
	0.34	0.35	0.35	0.36	0.37	0.38	0.38	0.40	0.38	0.39	0.38	0.39	0.38	0.38	0.38	Model Settings
12 Neurons	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	•	
	0.32	0.30	0.29	0.29	0.31	0.31	0.31	0.29	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.32	0.30	0.30	0.32	Save projec





TRAIN: Youden=0.383 MCC=0.362 False Rate=0.481 TEST: Youden=0.319 MCC=0.300 False Rate=0.529



ADMET Modeler(TM): EPACat\_Avg\_TS1\_IG.dat (D:/Marv/Documents/AllMyData/Presentations/ACS-Fall2018/EPACat\_Avg\_TS1\_IG)



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#### **Data Sets**

- Dominant Clearance Mechanism
  - Compare to ECCS scheme (Extended Clearance Classification System)
- Acute Rat Toxicity Class
  - Based on LD50 cutoffs
  - 4 class scheme used by EPA
  - 5 class scheme used by GHS (Globally Harmonized System)
    - <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Globally\_Harmonized\_System\_of\_Classification\_and\_Labelling\_of\_Chemicals</u>
- AMES Mutagenicity (provided by NIHS Japan)
  - 3 class model (strongly positive, positive, negative)



# **Extended Clearance Classification System**

- Predicts dominant clearance mechanism of drugs
  - Varma et al, Pharm Res, 32, 3785 (2015) and subsequent publications
  - ~300 compounds





#### **ECCS – ANNE Model**

Youden

3 Neurons

5 Neurons

7 Neurons

9 Neurons

11 Neurons



ALL: Youden=0.846 MCC=0.807 False Rate=0.102 TRAIN: Youden=0.837 MCC=0.799 False Rate=0.110 TEST: Youden=0.899 MCC=0.851 False Rate=0.050



B

Renal

ALL: Youden=0.846 MCC=0.807 False Rate=0.102 TRAIN: Youden=0.837 MCC=0.799 False Rate=0.110 TEST: Youden=0.899 MCC=0.851 False Rate=0.050

**Training Set** 



## **ECCS Comparisons**

Statistic	ECCS	ANNE-Train	ANNE-Test	ANNE-AII	SVME-Train	SVME-Test	SVME-All
Youden	0.83	0.84	0.90	0.85	0.98	0.90	0.97
MCC	0.82	0.80	0.85	0.81	0.98	0.85	0.97
Accuracy	91%	89%	95%	90%	99%	95%	99%

ECCS : Benefit of the doubt for Class 3B (Hep. Uptake or Renal)

ANNE Model: 7 neurons, 16 descriptors Descriptors selected by Input Gradient method Some Key Descriptors: FAnion, S+logP, FZwitter, QAvgNeg, QAvgPos

SVME Model: 23 Descriptors selected by Genetic Algorithm Some Key Descriptors: S+logP, No. Pi systems, T\_Dipole, E-states, No. acidic atoms



# **Multi-Class Toxicity Models**

- Workshop on Predictive Models for Acute Oral Systemic Toxicity (April 2018)
  - Sponsor: National Toxicology Program Interagency Center for the Evaluation of Alternative Toxicological Methods (NICEATM)
    - https://ntp.niehs.nih.gov/pubhealth/evalatm/3rs-meetings/past-meetings/tox-models-2018/index.html
  - · Various toxicity data sets available to develop in silico models and present at workshop
  - 2 Multi-class toxicity datasets were included
    - Both based on acute rat LD50 data with cutoffs
    - 4 Category model using cutoffs based on EPA guidelines
      - Category 1 : LD50 ≤ 50 mg/kg
      - Category 2 : 50 mg/kg < LD50 ≤ 500 mg/kg
      - Category 3 : 500 mg/kg < LD50 ≤ 5000 mg/kg
      - Category 4 : LD50 > 5000 mg/kg
    - 5 Category model using cutoffs based on GHS guidelines
      - Category 1 : LD50  $\leq$  5 mg/kg
      - Category 2 : 5 mg/kg < LD50 ≤ 50 mg/kg
      - Category 3 : 50 mg/kg < LD50 ≤ 300 mg/kg
      - Category 4 : 300 mg/kg < LD50 ≤ 2000 mg/kg
      - Category 5 : LD50 > 2000 mg/kg
    - ~8000 compounds in each data set
    - ~4000 blind compounds for prediction



#### **EPA 4 Class ANNE Model Performance**

Model Performance Grid Youder 28 Inputs 35 Inputs 42 Inputs 49 Inputs 77 Inputs 84 Inputs 91 Inputs 98 Inputs 105 Inputs 112 Inputs 14 Inputs 21 Inputs 56 Inputs 63 Inputs 70 Inputs 0.34 0.36 0.35 0.35 0.35 0.36 0.32 0.33 0.34 0.35 0.34 0.35 0.35 0.35 0.36 3 Neurons -0.33 0.32 0.33 0.31 0.32 0.30 0.32 0.32 0.31 0.33 0.32 0.31 0.32 0.32 0.33 0.33 0.34 0.34 0.34 0.35 0.35 0.36 0.36 0.36 0.36 0.36 0.37 0.36 0.36 0.36 4 Neurons -- ---0.33 0.32 0.32 0.32 0.32 0.31 0.32 0.32 0.33 0.32 0.33 0.32 0.32 0.31 0.33 0.37 0.36 0.37 0.33 0.35 0.35 0.36 0.37 0.37 0.38 0.37 0.37 0.38 0.37 0.37 5 Neurons --------------0.33 0.33 0.33 0.32 0.32 0.33 0.32 0.33 0.34 0.34 0.35 0.34 0.33 0.33 0.32 0.33 0.36 0.36 0.35 0.36 0.37 0.38 0.38 0.38 0.37 0.37 0.38 0.38 0.37 0.38 6 Neurons - ----------0.33 0.33 0.34 0.34 0.34 0.34 0.33 0.33 0.33 0.34 0.33 0.32 0.33 0.33 0.34 0.34 0.36 0.36 0.36 0.37 0.37 0.38 0.38 0.38 0.38 0.39 0.38 0.38 0.38 0.38 7 Neurons -----0.34 0.34 0.33 0.35 0.33 0.33 0.34 0.34 0.34 0.35 0.34 0.33 0.33 0.34 0.33 0.34 0.36 0.36 0.36 0.38 0.38 0.38 0.38 0.39 0.39 0.39 0.38 0.39 0.38 0.38 8 Neurons ----0.34 0.35 0.34 0.34 0.34 0.32 0.34 0.35 0.34 0.34 0.34 0.34 0.32 0.32 0.33 0.39 0.35 0.37 0.37 0.36 0.38 0.38 0.39 0.40 0.39 0.39 0.40 0.39 0.39 0.40 9 Neurons 0.35 0.34 0.34 0.35 0.34 0.34 0.34 0.34 0.33 0.34 0.34 0.34 0.34 0.35 0.36 0.37 0.38 0.38 0.39 0.40 0.40 0.40 0.36 0.39 0.39 0.40 0.39 0.40 10 Neurons ---0.34 0.34 0.34 0.35 0.34 0.33 0.34 0.35 0.34 0.33 0.35 0.34 0.32 0.34 0.33 0.35 0.37 0.37 0.39 0.38 0.39 0.40 0.40 0.39 0.36 0.39 0.40 0.39 0.40 0.39 11 Neurons 0.33 0.34 0.35 0.34 0.34 0.34 0.34 0.34 0.34 0.35 0.34 0.34 0.33 0.39 0.35 0.37 0.36 0.37 0.40 0.39 0.40 0.40 0.40 0.40 0.40 0.40 0.40 0.40 12 Neurons ---0.34 0.35 0.35 0.35 0.35 0.35 0.35 0.35 0.35 0.34 0.34 0.35 0.34

Training time for entire grid : ~3.5 hours

Descriptors: Standard + ANNE regression model of LD50 using NICEATM data

Performance for 56 inputs and 11 neurons



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## **EPA 4 Class ANNE Model Performance**





## **SVM Model Performance**





## **EPA 4 Class Model Performance**

#### **ANNE Training Set**

Obs/Pred	1	2	3	4
1	441	78	24	19
2	338	742	284	72
3	194	762	1427	867
4	37	75	274	887

#### ANNE Test Set

Obs/Pred	1	2	3	4
1	105	26	8	1
2	96	175	70	19
3	62	280	340	205
4	10	20	75	213

#### SVM Training Set

Obs/Pred	1	2	3	4
1	400	102	49	11
2	239	768	366	63
3	122	681	1927	530
4	20	87	383	783

#### SVM Test Set

Obs/Pred	1	2	3	4
1	93	28	16	3
2	63	168	105	24
3	41	178	461	135
4	8	21	123	166



#### **EPA 4 Class Model Performance Metrics**

	ANNE Train	ANNE Test	ANNE All	SVM Train	SVM Test	SVM All			
Voudon	0.20	0.20	0 27	0 4 2	0.24	0.41			
rouden	0.59	0.59	0.57	0.42	0.54	0.41			
MCC	0.36	0.38	0.36	0.41	0.33	0.39			
Acc	54%	52%	53%	59%	54%	58%			
					)				
	Overtrained								



### **GHS 5 Class Model Performance**

						Μ	lodel Pe	erforma	nce Grid					
Youden	14 Inputs	21 Inputs	28 Inputs	35 Inputs	42 Inputs	49 Inputs	56 Inputs	63 Inputs	70 Inputs	77 Inputs	84 Inputs	91 Inputs	98 Inputs	
	0.31	0.32	0.32	0.33	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.35	0.35	0.35	0.36	
3 Neurons	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	0.33	0.34	0.36	0.36	0.36	0.34	0.34	0.35	0.37	0.35	0.36	0.35	0.37	
	0.32	0.33	0.33	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.35	0.36	0.36	0.36	0.35	
5 Neurons	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	0.32	0.35	0.37	0.36	0.36	0.36	0.34	0.36	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.36	
	0.32	0.33	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.35	0.35	0.35	0.35	0.36	0.36	0.36	0.37	
7 Neurons	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	0.33	0.34	0.36	0.37	0.37	0.35	0.35	0.38	0.37	0.36	0.36	0.37	0.37	
	0.33	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.35	0.35	0.35	0.36	0.36	0.37	0.37	0.38	0.37	
9 Neurons	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	0.34	0.35	0.35	0.37	0.35	0.35	0.36	0.37	0.37	0.36	0.36	0.36	0.36	
	0.33	0.33	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.35	0.36	0.37	0.36	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	
11 Neurons	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	
	0.34	0.36	0.36	0.35	0.36	0.36	0.36	0.39	0.37	0.37	0.36	0.37	0.36	
	0.33	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.35	0.35	0.36	0.36	0.36	0.37	0.36	0.38	0.36	
13 Neurons	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	0.35	0.35	0.37	0.35	0.36	0.35	0.36	0.36	0.36	0.36	0.36	0.37	0.37	
	0.33	0.34	0.34	0.35	0.35	0.35	0.35	0.36	0.37	0.37	0.38	0.36	0.36	
15 Neurons	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	0.34	0.35	0.37	0.36	0.36	0.37	0.35	0.37	0.38	0.37	0.36	0.36	0.36	
	0.32	0.33	0.35	0.34	0.35	0.35	0.35	0.36	0.36					
17 Neurons	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-					
	0.34	0.36	0.36	0.35	0.35	0.35	0.35	0.38	0.38					

Performance for 63 inputs and 11 neurons





#### **GHS 5 Class Model Performance**

Performance for 63 inputs and 11 neurons



**Training Set** 

Performance for 63 inputs and 11 neurons



Test Set



## **GHS 5 Class Model Performance**

Obs/Pred	1	2	3	4	5
1	110	12	3	6	1
2	114	193	63	55	19
3	84	199	226	256	107
4	69	160	325	1178	584
5	50	84	179	576	1938

Training Set

Obs/Pred	1	2	3	4	5
1	18	12	2	0	0
2	23	42	16	11	4
3	20	53	59	68	11
4	18	40	78	293	147
5	16	20	36	132	529

Test Set

	Train	Test	All	
Youden	0.37	0.39	0.37	
МСС	0.36	0.38	0.36	
Acc	55%	57%	56%	



## **Comparison with other Participants**



https://ntp.niehs.nih.gov/iccvam/meetings/at-models-2018/ppt/5-mansouri.pdf



# **AMES Mutagenicity 3 class model**

#### Data from NIHS Japan

- http://www.nihs.go.jp/dgm/index-e.html
- http://www.nihs.go.jp/dgm/amesqsar.html
- ~12000 data points
- 3 classes
  - Class A : Strongly positive
    - Induces >1000 mutated colonies/mg in at least one AMES strain (+/- rat S9)
  - Class B : Positive
    - Induces >2-fold increase in mutated colonies relative to negative control in at least one AMES strain
  - Class C : Negative
    - Not A or B



## **Mut 3 Class Model Performance**

Performance for 80 inputs and 3 neurons





<b>Obs/Pred</b>	А	В	С	
Α	99	32	15	
В	69	75	58	
с	269	343	1403	

**Training Set** 

Test Set

Obs/Pred	А	В	С
Α	0	0	662
В	0	0	1064
С	0	0	10088

Brain Dead All Predictions = Class C, Negative



#### **Mut 3 Class Model Performance Comparison**

	Train	Test	All	Brain Dead
Youden	0.39	0.41	0.40	0
мсс	0.27	0.28	0.27	0/0
Acc	65%	67%	66%	85%



# Summary

- ADMET Multi-Class models are seeing increased usage in industry and government
- ANNE Multi-Class methodology provides good model performance and training time performance compared to SVM and other approaches
- Use of proper metrics is critical in assessing quality of multi-class models, especially for heavily imbalanced data sets



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