

# Ordinal model reuse and selection for a varying number of categories

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# Introduction

- Ordinal regression (OR)
- Number of bins vary from training to deployment
- Analyse models in a range of contexts (number of bins)
- Sentiment analysis

# $\begin{array}{c} \mathsf{GOOD} \ \square \ \searrow \ \mathsf{BAD} \\ \hline \mathsf{GOOD} \ \square \ & \mathsf{NEUTRAL} \ \square \ & \mathsf{BAD} \\ \hline \mathsf{EXCELLENT} \ \square \ & \mathsf{GOOD} \ \square \ & \mathsf{FAIR} \ \square \ & \mathsf{POOR} \ \square \ & \mathsf{VERY} \ & \mathsf{BAD} \end{array}$





- Addressing the problem of considering different number of sentiment categories in a real-valued sentiment analysis approach.
- Running example for a real application problem.
  - New hybrid method that combines several regression techniques.
  - Apply this methodology to a wide range of regression datasets.
- Analyse how a regression model is reused for a range of contexts → Context plots.





# Hybrid Model and Evaluation

- 1. Given a regression dataset, we divide it into training and validation subsets. Several models are trained.
- 2. Different number of bins according to the operating context are added to the validation data following an equal-width setting for the bins.
- 3. Models are then evaluated on the validation subset for each bin and the dominant method for each number of bins is identified.
- 4. In deployment time and with different data, the best model for that number of bins is applied.



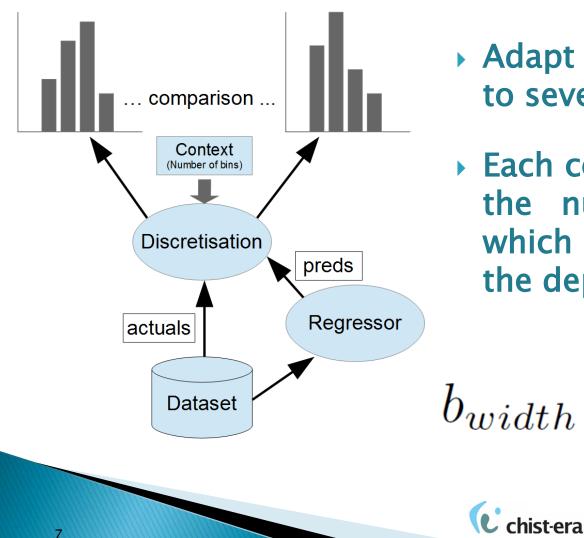


- Measure for multiclass classification problems for which there is an inherent order between the classes.
- AMAE (average MAE) in the literature.

$$mD = \frac{1}{Q} \sum_{j=1}^{Q} mD_j = \frac{1}{Q} \sum_{j=1}^{Q} \frac{1}{n_j} \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} |O(y_i) - O(\hat{y}_i)|$$



## Discretisation



- Adapt a regression model to several contexts.
- Each context is defined by the number of bins in which we want to classify the deployment data.

 $b_{width}$ 

 $d_{max} - d_{min}$ 



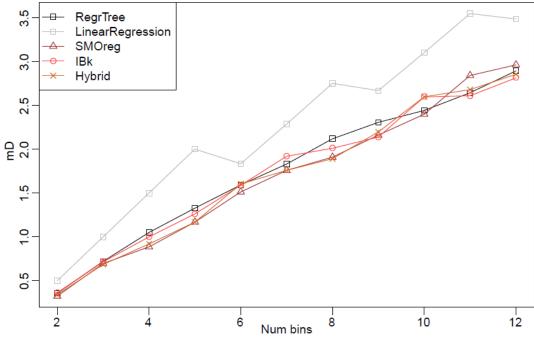
- Problem of considering different number of sentiment categories in a real-valued sentiment analysis.
- Real-world dataset of reviews of films labelled with scores on a 91 point scale (1.0;10.0;0.1).





# Case study

 APC = area under the curve constructed by plotting the performance measure mD.



	RegrTree	LinearRegression	SMOreg	IBk	Hybrid
DB_SentAnalysis	17.65	22.67	16.97	17.42	17.09
Rank	4	5	1	3	2





**Regression techniques**:

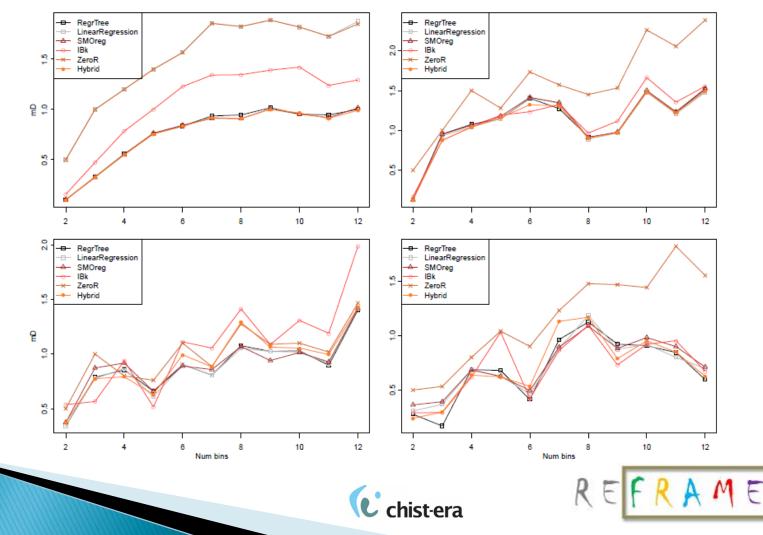
- Regression tree (RegrTree)
- Linear regression (LinearRegression)
- Support vector machine (SMOreg)
- K nearest neighbour (IBk)
- ZeroR

Dataset  $\rightarrow$  50% training, 25% validation, 25% test.



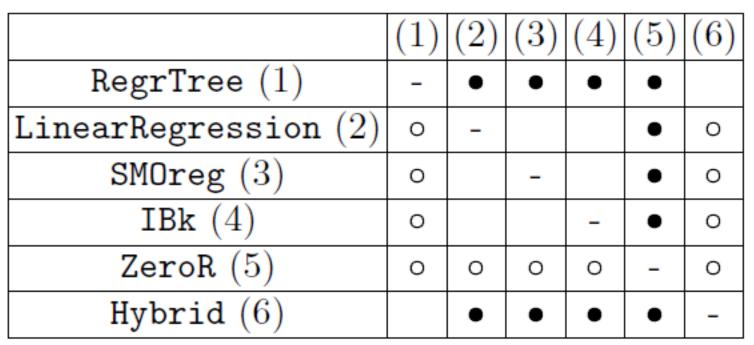
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#### > 25 regression datasets and 5 regression techniques



- Table shows mD values normalised by the ZeroR method.
- Hybrid approach shows a very similar performance to the best algorithm.
- Ftest stands for the average rankings of Friedman test.

DATASETS	RegrTree	LinearRegression	SMOreg	IBk	Hybrid
01airfoil_self_noise	0.5093	0.6682	0.6410	0.4101	0.4142
02ENB2012_data_cooling	0.5230	0.6151	0.6328	0.6128	0.5296
03ENB2012_data_heating	0.2122	0.4645	0.4895	0.4852	0.2122
04CCPP	0.4055	0.4713	0.4522	0.3051	0.3051
05Concrete_Data	0.5683	0.7470	0.7442	0.5817	0.5715
06autoMpg	0.5775	0.5764	0.5876	0.6131	0.5985
07housing	0.4538	0.5900	0.6000	0.6064	0.4959
08abalone	0.7324	0.7532	0.7740	0.7409	0.7349
$09$ yacht_hydrodynamics	0.3866	0.6607	0.8035	0.9639	0.3904
10winequality-white	0.9093	0.9253	0.9199	0.7830	0.7963
11winequality-red	0.8803	0.8867	0.8931	0.8425	0.8616
$12$ solar-flare_1	0.8644	0.8570	0.8598	0.8956	0.8655
$13 diabetes\_numeric$	0.8904	0.8842	0.9035	1.0433	0.9368
14dee	0.5413	0.5326	0.5536	0.6175	0.5533
15plastic	0.5064	1.0008	0.5008	0.7084	0.4994
16treasury	0.1690	0.2029	0.2252	0.1783	0.1817
17wankara	0.1650	0.2089	0.2148	0.3514	0.1817
18wizmir	0.1045	0.1087	0.1087	0.2574	0.1057
19cpu_small	0.1917	0.4185	0.3594	0.2322	0.1917
20auto_price	0.6093	0.6228	0.6377	0.6316	0.6317
21pyrim	0.7831	0.6879	0.6525	0.4882	0.6017
22wisconsin	1.0126	1.0552	1.0226	1.1940	1.0488
23delta_ailerons	0.6932	0.7453	0.7757	0.7314	0.7091
24delta_elevators	0.7125	0.7093	0.7211	0.7351	0.7014
25triazines	0.8692	0.8872	0.8588	0.9007	0.8643
Avg.AccumPercent.	0.5708	0.6512	0.6373	0.6364	0.5593
Avg.ranks (Ftest)	1.94	3.44	3.76	3.52	2.34



Summary of the Wilcoxon test. ● the method in the row improves the method in the column. D = the method in the column improves the method in the row. Upper diagonal of level significance = 0:9, Lower diagonal level of significance = 0:95.

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# **Conclusions and Future work**

- Consider different number of sentiment categories in real-valued sentiment analysis dataset. The number of categories is only known at deployment.
- We have extended their approach with a new hybrid method and by applying this methodology to a wide range of regression datasets.
- Use of context plots + Regression to binarisation idea.
- Exploring this approach for a equal-frequency binning.
- Improving the discretisation process.





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