



TS-MULE

Local Interpretable Model-Agnostic Explanations For Time Series Forecast Models

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Attributions in explainable AI

















The LIME approach



1. Segment data



Interpretable Components 2. Create masks and get predictions



3. Train interpretable model on mask and predictions



4. Get most important component for prediction



Explanation





The LIME approach for time series

1. Segment data

2. Create masks and get predictions

3. Train interpretable model on mask and predictions

Query

Locally weighted

regression

4. Get most important component for prediction









Time series segmentation

• What are meaningful segments for time series?



• Uniform?

• Does not look very meaningful



Segmentations for time series



Uniform segmentation



Exponential segmentation





Segmentations for time series



Uniform segmentation

Exponential segmentation



Problems:

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- Static and the same for every feature
- Important components can be split into two segments







a vector that stores the z-normalized Euclidean distance between any subsequence within a time series and its nearest neighbour

Pairwise Euclidean Distance

#DistanceProfile





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Pairwise Euclidean Distance

7.4 6.9	14.7	19.3	17.7	19.9	15.0	8.2	8.9			
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#BestMatch





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Pairwise Euclidean Distance

#BestMatch

Distance Matrix

	*	6.9	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		
*		*	*	*	*	*	*	1.4	*		
*	*		*	*	*	*	*	*	6.2		
*	7.9	*		*	*	*	*	*	*		
*	*	*	*		*	*	*	*	11.4		
*	*	13.6	*	*		*	*	*	*		
*	*	*	*	*	*		14.1	*	*		
*	*	14.0	*	*	*	*		*	*		
*	1.4	*	*	*	*	*	*		*		
*	*	6.2	*	*	*	*	*	*			





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#MatrixProfileAnnotation



Proposed slopes segmentation

Using the matrix profile



Take slopes of matrix profile -> largest jump leads to change in nearest neighbours

Slopes segmentation







Using the matrix profile



Take horizontal bins and assign segments based on the corresponding bin in the matrix profile

Bins-max segmentation

Bins-min segmentation





Proposed SAX segmentation





https://pyts.readthedocs.io/en/stable/_images/sphx_glr_plot_sax_001.png

Using the SAX transformation





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Evaluation through fidelity perturbation





- Assumption:

 - Change data according to attribution
 => get worse accuracy of model for changed data



Preliminary results



Zero		CNN	DNN	RNN	Ξ	CNN	DNN	RNN		CNN	DNN	RNN
Uniform	Beijing /	<u>2.31</u>	<u>4.24</u>	2.32	eijing	1.50	9.00	7.67	Metro Int	2.43	0.22	6.55
Exponential		0.56	1.12	1.41	y Air C	0.62	0.16	<u>11.52</u>		0.55	0.01	0.62
Slopes	Air Qu	1.31	2.11	1.95	Qualit	1.30	6.76	3.97	ersta	<u>3.39</u>	0.18	<u>9.29</u>
Bins Min	ality	0.35	3.43	<u>3.60</u>	y Mu	0.41	<u>10.46</u>	5.71	te Tra	1.25	0.40	7.38
Bins Max	2.5	1.69	1.22	2.38	lti Sit	<u>1.52</u>	1.68	2.67	affic	1.44	0.44	2.68
SAX		1.24	2.58	2.23	Φ	1.10	8.00	4.15		1.55	<u>1.16</u>	7.34

Input length of dataset

Take accuracy change of attributions and scale by random perturbation accuracy change => Larger than 1 shows working explanations

Conclusion

- Improved segmentations improve explanations
- Different architectures work better with different segmentations
- Evaluate parameters (e.g., window size)
- Improve presented algorithms to better handle close splits to get less segments

Source Code can be found at: https://github.com/dbvis-ukon/ts-mule



