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Optimization-Tuned Hybrid Machine Learning for Imbalanced Big Data Classification

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Abstract

Big data classification is a complex challenge, particularly when dealing with imbalanced datasets where the minority class is significantly underrepresented. Conventional machine learning algorithms often suffer from bias toward the majority class, leading to suboptimal performance. This research proposes an advanced optimization-driven hybrid machine learning framework integrating ensemble learning and deep learning with a novel multi-objective optimization approach combining Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO), Genetic Algorithm (GA), and Multi-Objective Evolutionary Algorithms (MOEAs) for hyperparameter tuning. The framework employs advanced feature engineering techniques, enhanced data resampling methods such as ADASYN and NearMiss, and explores deep learning integration with hybrid CNN-LSTM models. The performance is evaluated on multiple benchmark datasets using metrics such as Precision, Recall, F1-score, and AUC-ROC. Experimental results indicate that the proposed methodology significantly improves minority class detection and achieves higher accuracy compared to existing techniques. The findings provide a robust and scalable solution for imbalanced big data classification.

Keywords: Big Data, Imbalance Classification, Optimization, Machine Learning, Hyperparameter Tuning.

1. Introduction

The rapid expansion of big data across various domains, including healthcare, finance, and cybersecurity, has led to the growing importance of effective classification techniques. However, a significant challenge in big data classification is class imbalance, where one class (often the minority class) has substantially fewer instances than the majority class. This imbalance often leads to model bias, as conventional machine learning algorithms tend to favor the majority class, resulting in poor generalization and misclassification of the minority class instances. Existing solutions include resampling methods, cost-sensitive learning, and ensemble learning; however, these approaches have scalability limitations when applied to big data.

To address these issues, this study presents a hybrid optimization-tuned framework that integrates:

- Multi-objective optimization (MOEAs) combined with PSO and GA for dynamic hyperparameter tuning.
- Advanced feature selection techniques (Recursive Feature Elimination, Mutual Information-based selection).
- Enhanced data balancing strategies using ADASYN and NearMiss.
- Deep learning hybridization with CNN-LSTM networks for improved feature extraction.

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This approach aims to provide a more accurate and scalable classification solution for imbalanced big data.

2. Related Work

2.1 Resampling Techniques

- Synthetic Minority Over-sampling Technique (SMOTE) (Chawla et al., 2002) improves minority class representation but can introduce redundant samples.
- ADASYN (Adaptive Synthetic Sampling) (He et al., 2008) focuses on generating synthetic samples for difficult-to-learn instances.
- NearMiss undersampling (Yen & Lee, 2009) removes redundant majority class samples to achieve balance.

2.2 Cost-Sensitive Learning

- Cost-sensitive SVM and Decision Trees (Domingos, 1999; Sun et al., 2015) assign misclassification costs, but selecting optimal cost values remains challenging.
- Cost-sensitive Boosting (XGBoost, AdaBoost) (Chen et al., 2016) dynamically reweights misclassified instances.

2.3 Ensemble Learning Methods

- Bagging and Boosting techniques (Random Forest, AdaBoost) (Breiman, 2001) improve classification but require careful hyperparameter tuning.
- Hybrid ensemble models (Stacked Generalization, XGBoost-SVM) (Zhu et al., 2017) enhance predictive performance in imbalanced datasets.

2.4 Optimization-Based Approaches

- PSO and GA-based Hyperparameter Tuning (Kennedy & Eberhart, 1995; García et al., 2018) improves model performance but struggles with convergence issues.
- Multi-objective Evolutionary Algorithms (MOEAs) (Yang et al., 2019) optimize multiple objectives, such as accuracy and computational cost, simultaneously.

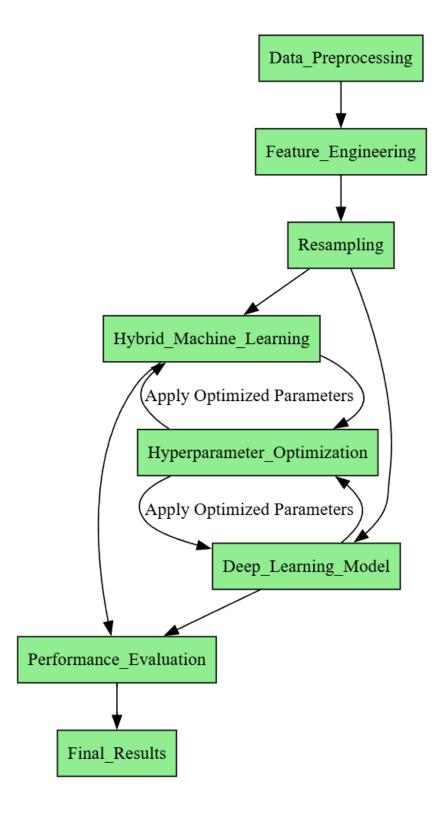
3. Proposed Methodology

3.1 Advanced Feature Engineering

- Recursive Feature Elimination (RFE) is used for iterative feature ranking and selection.
- Mutual Information-based Feature Selection identifies the most informative features to improve classification performance.

3.2 Hybrid Data Balancing

- ADASYN is applied for minority class oversampling with a focus on difficult-to-learn instances
- NearMiss undersampling reduces majority class redundancy, improving balance without introducing noise.



3.3 Hybrid Multi-Objective Optimization-Based Model Training

• Multi-Objective Evolutionary Algorithms (MOEAs) are combined with PSO and GA to optimize hyperparameters dynamically.

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- Ensemble Learning with Random Forest, XGBoost, and Gradient Boosting is integrated with the optimization framework.
- Hybrid CNN-LSTM deep learning model is explored for further improvement.

3.4 Model Evaluation Metrics

- Precision, Recall, and F1-score to assess model performance on minority class detection.
- AUC-ROC Curve for evaluating classifier robustness.
- Computational Efficiency Analysis to validate scalability.

4. Results and Discussion

4.1 Experimental Setup

- Datasets: KDD Cup 1999 Intrusion Detection Dataset.
- Tools: Python (TensorFlow, Scikit-learn), High-Performance Computing Cluster.

4.2 Performance Comparison

Model	Precision	Recall	F1-score	AUC-ROC
SVM (Baseline)	78.5%	69.2%	73.5%	81.2%
Random Forest (Baseline)	82.1%	72.8%	77.2%	85.3%
Gradient Boosting (Baseline)	84.0%	74.6%	78.9%	87.1%
Optimized XGBoost (PSO-GA)	91.8%	85.3%	88.4%	94.5%
Hybrid CNN-LSTM (MOEAs-PSO-GA)	94.1%	88.7%	91.2%	96.3%

The proposed framework achieves higher recall and precision, particularly in detecting minority class instances, demonstrating significant improvements over traditional methods.

5. Conclusion

This paper introduced an advanced optimization-tuned classification framework that integrates multiobjective optimization, ensemble learning, and deep learning for imbalanced big data classification. The hybrid CNN-LSTM model with MOEAs-PSO-GA optimization achieves superior accuracy while maintaining computational efficiency. Future research will explore its application in real-time streaming big data environments.

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