Video meteor detection filtering using soft computing methods

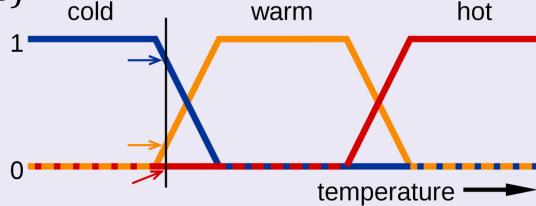
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Croatian Meteor Network

Soft Computing?

- Role model the human mind
- Inexact solutions, tolerant to uncertainty and inprecision
- Neural Networks, State Vector Machines, Fuzzy Logic, Genetic Algorithms,...

Used for very computationally hard tasks (NP-complete problems)



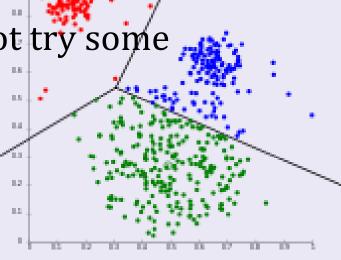
Problem and existing solutions

- Meteor detection using CAMS software
 - Meteors + birds, bats, planes, clouds...

 Current tool for detection filtering / classification by Damir Šegon (MTP Filter)

Other approaches?

 Classification problem - why not try some classification algorithms?



Input data



Input data – CAMS detection format

Cam# Meteor# #Segments fps hnr mle bin Pix/fm Rho Phi

- CAMS software detection format
- Data format:

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Per segment: Frame# Col Row RA Dec Azim Elev Inten

FF493_20150301_222012_823_0478464.bin 0493 0001 0010
0025.00 069.4 039.9 -06.6 010.0 0038.3 0001.7 0041.0
0417.53 0137.29 080.12 000.50 270.62 035.65 000268 0041.5
0417.59 0142.19 080.12 000.50 270.62 035.65 000429 0042.0
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0418.33 0168.69 080.12 000.50 270.62 035.65 000363 0045.0
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Preprocessing the data 1

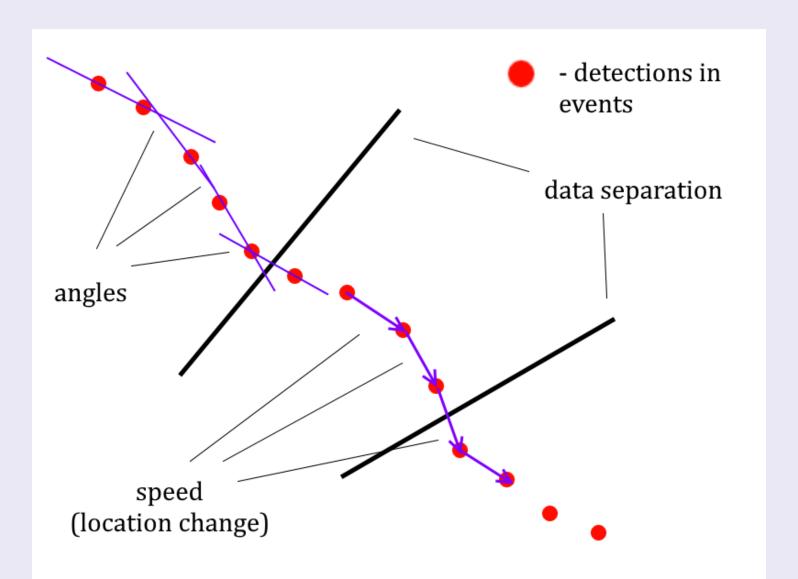
- Preparing the data for the Neural Network
- Dimensionality reduction
 - Time, position (X, Y), velocity, intensity → 1 value per variable
- Data format
 - Divided by event
 - Each event consists of frames with the data



Preprocessing the data 2

- What we reduced:
 - <u>Location change (angular velocity)</u> from 1 detection frame to another relative to the angular velocity calculated on 2 detections
 - Fitted lines going through 2 detection points to obtain angles. <u>Angles</u> taken are also relative to the angle change on the central detections.
 - <u>Light intensity</u> is calculated in percentage where 100% is the brightest event in that night
- Events are split in even 3 parts and averages are calculated

Processing the data 3



Final preprocessed data

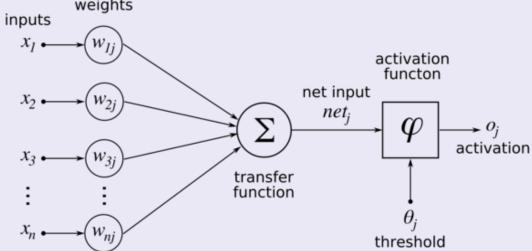
• Each event is represented in just 9 variables:

3.56, 4.77, 3.33, -0.36, -0.25, -0.23, 11.3, 21.78, 58.01, 1

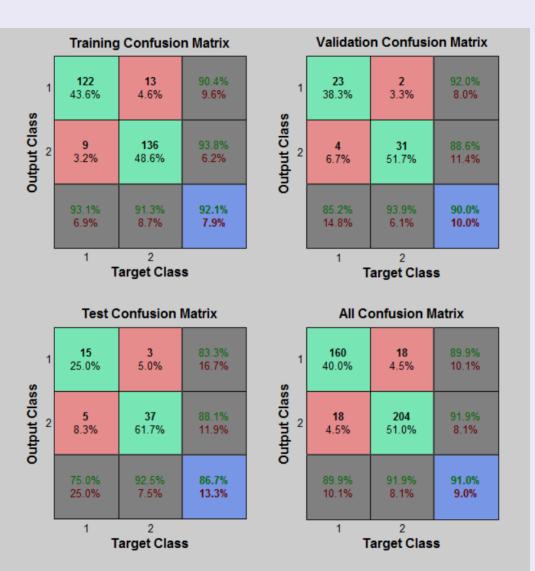
- First 3 are relative <u>angle</u> averages for each section, next 3 are relative <u>angular velocities</u> averaged for each section and last 3 are averages of <u>light intensity</u> for each section
- Last value manual classification with CMN_binViewer software:
 - 1 meteor
 - 0 false detection

Algorithms: Neural Networks

- Each neuron has a trigger function which multiplies the input by a certain amount and sends it other neurons
- Must be trained with already classified data
- Separated in layers, each having it's own number of neurons and sending the data to the next layer



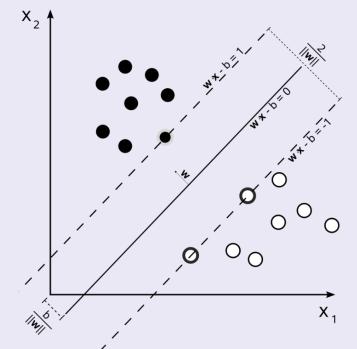
Results: Neural Networks



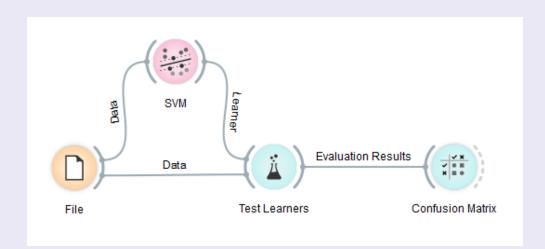
- Matlab nprtool is used (NN pattern recognition tool)
- 60 neurons gave best results
- 10.1% of meteors are wrongly classified as not being meteors
- 8.1% non-meteors are classified as meteors which gives us a total of 91% accuracy

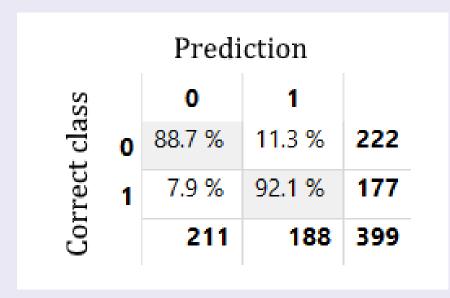
Algorithms: State Vector Machine

- Principle: find a hyper-plane that separates the data in 2 classes
- Increase the number of dimensions to find a solution? (currently using 9 dimensions)



Results: SVM





- OrangeCanvas software is used
- 7.9% of meteors are classified as non-meteors, giving us slightly better results that the NN

Conclusion and future work

- Results not good enough, need <1% meteor loss
- More data for training the network?
- Different dimensionality reduction?
- Different algorithms?

 Only scratched the surface of soft computing for this purpose – need more people working on it!

Thank you for your attention!

Questions? (Send Emil an e-mail?)