

Description of the German credit dataset.

1. Title: German Credit data
2. Source Information
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3. Number of Instances: 1000
4. This dataset ("german.numer") is based a dataset ("german") provided by Prof. Hofmann, which contains categorical/symbolic attributes.
5. This original dataset has been edited at Strathclyde University and several indicator variables added to make it suitable for algorithms which cannot cope with categorical variables. Several attributes that are ordered categorical in the original dataset (such as attribute 17) have been coded as integer. This was the form used by StatLog.
6. Number of Attributes german: 20 (7 numerical, 13 categorical)
Number of Attributes german.numer: 24 (24 numerical)
7. Attribute description for german
 - Attribute 1: (qualitative)
 - Status of existing checking account
 - A11 : ... < 0 DM
 - A12 : 0 <= ... < 200 DM
 - A13 : ... >= 200 DM /
salary assignments for at least 1 year
 - A14 : no checking account
 - Attribute 2: (numerical)
 - Duration in month
 - Attribute 3: (qualitative)
 - Credit history
 - A30 : no credits taken/
all credits paid back duly
 - A31 : all credits at this bank paid back duly
 - A32 : existing credits paid back duly till now
 - A33 : delay in paying off in the past
 - A34 : critical account/
other credits existing (not at this bank)
 - Attribute 4: (qualitative)
 - Purpose
 - A40 : car (new)
 - A41 : car (used)
 - A42 : furniture/equipment
 - A43 : radio/television
 - A44 : domestic appliances
 - A45 : repairs
 - A46 : education
 - A47 : (vacation - does not exist?)
 - A48 : retraining
 - A49 : business
 - A410 : others
 - Attribute 5: (numerical)
 - Credit amount
 - Attribute 6: (qualitative)
 - Savings account/bonds
 - A61 : ... < 100 DM
 - A62 : 100 <= ... < 500 DM
 - A63 : 500 <= ... < 1000 DM

A64 : .. >= 1000 DM
 A65 : unknown/ no savings account
 Attribute 7: (qualitative)
 Present employment since
 A71 : unemployed
 A72 : ... < 1 year
 A73 : 1 <= ... < 4 years
 A74 : 4 <= ... < 7 years
 A75 : .. >= 7 years
 Attribute 8: (numerical)
 Installment rate in percentage of disposable income
 Attribute 9: (qualitative)
 Personal status and sex
 A91 : male : divorced/separated
 A92 : female : divorced/separated/married
 A93 : male : single
 A94 : male : married/widowed
 A95 : female : single
 Attribute 10: (qualitative)
 Other debtors / guarantors
 A101 : none
 A102 : co-applicant
 A103 : guarantor
 Attribute 11: (numerical)
 Present residence since
 Attribute 12: (qualitative)
 Property
 A121 : real estate
 A122 : if not A121 : building society savings agreement/
 life insurance
 A123 : if not A121/A122 : car or other, not in attribute 6
 A124 : unknown / no property
 Attribute 13: (numerical)
 Age in years
 Attribute 14: (qualitative)
 Other installment plans
 A141 : bank
 A142 : stores
 A143 : none
 Attribute 15: (qualitative)
 Housing
 A151 : rent
 A152 : own
 A153 : for free
 Attribute 16: (numerical)
 Number of existing credits at this bank
 Attribute 17: (qualitative)
 Job
 A171 : unemployed/ unskilled - non-resident
 A172 : unskilled - resident
 A173 : skilled employee / official
 A174 : management/ self-employed/
 highly qualified employee/ officer
 Attribute 18: (numerical)
 Number of people being liable to provide maintenance for
 Attribute 19: (qualitative)
 Telephone
 A191 : none

A192 : yes, registered under the customers name
Attribute 20: (qualitative)
foreign worker
A201 : yes
A202 : no

8. Cost Matrix

This dataset requires use of a cost matrix (see below)

	1	2
1	0	1
2	5	0

(1 = Good, 2 = Bad)

the rows represent the actual classification and the columns
the predicted classification.

It is worse to class a customer as good when they are bad (5),
than it is to class a customer as bad when they are good (1).