# OrdinalEncoder based DNN for Natural Gas Leak Prediction

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# 천연가스 누출 예측을 위한 OrdinalEncoder 기반 DNN

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Abstract The natural gas (NG), mostly methane leaks into the air, it is a big problem for the climate. detected NG leaks under U.S. city streets and collected data. In this paper, we introduced a Deep Neural Network (DNN) classification of prediction for a level of NS leak. The proposed method is OrdinalEncoder(OE) based K-means clustering and Multilayer Perceptron(MLP) for predicting NG leak. The 15 features are the input neurons and the using backpropagation. In this paper, we propose the OE method for labeling target data using k-means clustering and compared normalization methods performance for NG leak prediction. There five normalization methods used. We have shown that our proposed OE based MLP method is accuracy 97.7%, F1-score 96.4%, which is relatively higher than the other methods. The system has implemented SPSS and Python, including its performance, is tested on real open data.

Key Words : Natural Gas, OrdinalEncoder, MLP, K-means, F1-score

요 약 대부분의 천연가스(NG)는 공기 중으로 누출 되며 그중에서도 메탄가스의 누출은 기후에 많은 영향을 준다. 미국 도시의 거리에서 메탄가스 누출 데이터를 수집하였다. 본 논문은 메탄가스누출 정도를 예측하는 딥러닝(Deep Neural Network)방법을 제안하였으며 제안된 방법은 OrdinalEncoder(OE) 기반 K-means clustering과 Multilayer Perceptron(MLP)을 활용하였다. 15개의 특징을 입력뉴런과 오류역전과 알고리즘을 적용하였다. 데이터 는 실제 미국의 거리에서 누출되는 메탄가스농도 오픈데이터를 활용하여 진행하였다. 우리는 OE 기반 K-means알고 리즘을 적용하여 데이터를 레이블링 하였고 NG누출 예측을 위한 정규화 방법 OE, MinMax, Standard, MaxAbs. Quantile 5가지 방법을 실험하였다. 그 결과 OE 기반 MLP의 인식률이 97.7%, F1-score 96.4%이며 다른 방법보다 상대적으로 높은 인식률을 보였다. 실험은 SPSS 및 Python으로 구현하였으며 실제오픈 데이터를 활용하여 실험하였 다.

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# 1. Introduction

The Natural gas mostly methane a powerful greenhouse gas is wasting a source of energy. It is a significant contributor to climate change. The major health concern about outdoor methane leaks is that they contribute to smog, which aggravates asthma and other respiratory conditions.

The researchers studied a better awareness of the impact of methane leaks is the first step, and this mapped pilot project is started[1-3]. We use open-source data on this study of Weller[1]. When natural gas leaks into the air, it's a big problem for the climate. So EDF and Google Earth Outreach teamed up to build a faster, cheaper way to find and assess leaks under our streets and sidewalks. They used Google Street View cars and methane sensors to detect leaks under city streets and collected data tested this new approach as part of a pilot program in a dozen cities across the U.S and in collaborations with PSE&G and Consolidated Edison[1-3].

 Table 1. CH4 leak detection measurement and estimated rate range.

Methane level	Detection measurement	Estimated leak flow
(ppb)[4]	range of CH4 (ppm)[5]	rate(g min)[6]
Low	Low	Low
(<1800ppb)	(<4.5ppm)	(<1.6 g min^-1)
Medium	Medium	Medium
(1800~2600ppb)	(4.5ppm~9x104ppm)	(1.6~26 g min^-1)
High	High	High
(>2600ppb)	(> 9x104ppm)	(>26 g min-1)

There are few related works, which have been done to defined natural gas leak emission level. Methane levels ranged between about 1800 and 2600 parts-per-billion(ppb) throughout, were consistent with the wind direction in Mcmanus[4]. This is consistent with the wind direction. Also[7-10] identified the primary as discriminated small leaks <6Lmin-1 from medium leaks (6-40Lmin-1) and a high bin (>40Lmin-1) for leaks estimated level. We used a data survey from the Los Gatos Research CH4 analyzer's high-sensitivity mobile and portable survey[6]. There was more than a sequence of amount difference in the sensitivity of a device used to measure CH4 levels. Therefore, this CH4 analyzer was susceptible to just a rare parts-per-billion(ppb) withdrawal from the background, LDCs frequently use hand-held sensors with parts-per-million(ppm) level sensitivities. In this study CH4(ppm) is the target feature, used OE methods for the real number to labeling feature for the data pre-processing part. The measurement and estimated leak flow rate levels of CH4 referred to as Table 1.

# 2. System overview

#### 2.1 Architecture

we study neural network In this paper, architectures that are OE normalization and k-means cluster algorithm used in the data labeling prediction by low, medium and high. The feedforward MLP network is used frequently in classification prediction[11]. We modeled architecture as follows, their indicator device speed and wind speed data give into input layers. methane leaked label data predicted in the output layer. Proposed experimental architecture is presented in Fig. 1 This experiment is divided into 2 part. First part is the data pre-processing illustrated by blue line another one is proposed predicted model illustrated by the orange color line. Step 1 is we extracted (selected) CH4 data from the original dataset, step 2 is the encoding OE on the CH4, step 3 is the k-means clustering for the CH4 using SPSS IBM24 program and labeling by low, medium and high in the data pre-processing part. Next, step 5 is the develop experimental dataset which combined original dataset excluded CH4 and labeled data. Step 6 is the implemented normalizing five methods as OE, MinMax, Standard, MaxAbs, and Quantile. Step 7 and 8 are divided train and test part of data sets. Step 9 trains data will implement in train MLP model and prediction is shown in step 10. Finally step 11 is test data will predict the MLP model. We proposed to make a label for CH4 (ppm) value on the data preprocessing. In this case, we suggested OE methods before clustering data on our dataset.

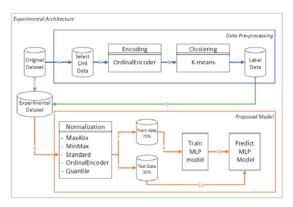


Fig. 1. Experimental Architecture of Proposed model

## 2.2 Datasets

Methane concentration was measured by the Picarro CH4 sensor and the Google Street View Car. Below is the list of fields from the raw data the methane leaks data detected from the mobile device-based methane survey data in Weller[1], Zachary[6]. We have 3 kinds of datasets. Firstly, has 15 features including original dataset "CavityPressure", "CavityTemp", "DasTemp", "WarmBoxTemp", "EtalonTemp", "CH4". "GPS\_ABS\_LAT", "GPS\_ABS\_LONG", "WS\_WIND\_LON", "WS\_WIND\_LAT", "WIND\_N", "WIND E". "WIND\_DIR\_SDEV", "CAR\_SPEED". Secondly, we selected target feature of methane(CH4) from the original dataset. Thirdly, the experimental dataset has 15 features including "label" feature on the original dataset deposed CH4. Fig. 2 shows a comparison between original, OE and other normalization of CH4.

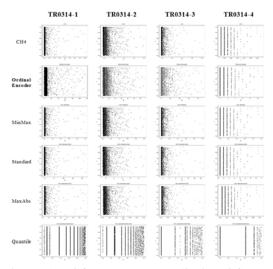


Fig. 2. Plot of OE and other normalization of CH4

#### 2.3 Proposed methods

The generalization of deep neural network architecture can be evaluated by modifying the number of adaptive parameters(weights and biases) in the network. In our previous work compared architectures[12]. Therefore, in this paper we selected DNN architecture as Hidden Layer (HL) = 20 and node = 20, solver given by "adam", activation has 'relu'.

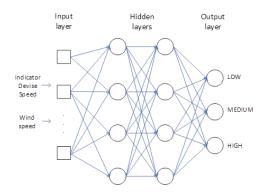


Fig. 3. The proposed DNN architecture

MLPs are supervised models, meaning that for the network to predict the correct output values, it must be allowed to learn on a training dataset for which the correct outputs are already known[13-14]. The goal of this learning is for the network's predictions to be as close to the true outputs as possible. [15-16] has compared the accuracy of a deviation-based classification, Bayesian and SVM classification algorithms. Proposed prediction network architecture is presented in Fig. 3.

In this paper, we compared some normalization methods performance for the data pre-processing on the DNN prediction.

a. OrdinalEncoder : Encode the categorical features as an integer array. The input should be integers or strings array, expressing the values taken on by discrete categorical features. The features are changed to ordinal integers as a single column of integers (0 to n-1) per feature. Where n is the number of categories. We implemented the OE to a set of attributes and issued the setting between numerical values and categories 'low', 'medium' and 'high'.

b. MinMax : Min-max normalization is commonly known as feature scaling where the values of a data feature's numeric range, an attribute, are reduced to a scale between 0 and 1. Therefore, in order to calculate *z*, the normalized value of a member of the set of observed values of X as follows:

$$z = \frac{X - \min(X)}{\max(X) - \min(X)} \tag{1}$$

where, *min* and *max* are the minimum and maximum values in X given its range.

c. MaxAbs : This estimator scales and translates each feature separately such that the maximal absolute value of each feature in the training set will be 1. Only on positive data, this scaler behaves similarly to MinMaxScaler and therefore also be upset from the presence of large outliers. The maximum absolute value is scaled by each feature.

d. Standard : Standardization is the process of transforming a variable to one with a mean of 0 and a standard deviation of 1.

$$z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} \tag{2}$$

where,  $\mu$  is the mean, is the standard deviation.

e. Quantile : QuantileTransformer (QT) uses a non-linear transformation, that every feature's probability density function (pdf) will be displayed to a uniform distribution. In this case, all data will be plotted in the range[0, 1], the outliers which therefore, cannot he differentiated anymore from the inliers. QT is strong to outliers in the sense that adding or removing outliers in the training set will allow nearly the same transformation on extending data. But contrary to QT will automatically reduce all outliers by setting them to the previously defined range boundaries (0 and 1).

#### 3. Evaluation metrics

The data evaluation of this paper was performed using F1-score, accuracy and mean squared error (MSE). In Fig. 4 shows the model of confusion matrix. From Fig. 4 we can find precisions and recall as follows:

$$Precision = \frac{TP}{TP + FP} \text{ and } Recall = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$
(3)

We have studied on the multi-label case, there the average of the F1-score of each label with weighting depending on the average parameter as Eq. (5). The harmonic mean of precision and recall for F1-score is the follows:

		PRE		
		Positive	Negative	
ACTUAL	Positive	Ture Positive	False Positive	Total Actual Positive
	Negative	False Negative	True Negative	Total Actual Negative
		Total Predict Positive	Total Predict Negative	

Fig. 4. Model of confusing matrix

$$F1 = \frac{2 \cdot \operatorname{Precision} \cdot \operatorname{Recall}}{\operatorname{Precision} + \operatorname{Recall}} \tag{4}$$

$$Weighthed\_Avg\_F1 = \sum_{t=1}^{N} F1_{label(i)} \cdot W_i$$
(5)

where W - weight of support.

The accuracy is an evaluation measure of the amount of closeness of calculated value to its actual value. Accuracy equals to the sum of true positive fraction and true negative fraction among all the test data.

 $Accuracy(ACC) = \frac{\Sigma True positive + \Sigma True negative}{\Sigma}$ (6)

Additionally, mean squared error (MSE) for the predicted leaks to relative to actual values was used:

$$MSE = \frac{1}{mn} \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} [X(i,j) - Y(i,j)]^2$$
(7)

With X and Y being the actual and predicted values for the i, j – th data point, respectively, and m and n are the number of observations. In our case, m is a number of data and n is predicting methane.

# 4. Experimental Results

The dataset is selected on 20170314, between 12:33:59AM to 12:34:02AM hours has "TR0314-1", 8:34:03PM to 9:34:07PM hours has "TR0314-2", 9:34:07PM to 9.48:41PM hours has "TR0314-3" and 9:57:00PM to 10:07:53PM hours has "TR0314-4" for Sample\_Raw open data. In the experiment, we set  $\lambda = 0.001$ . Architecture solver given by "adam", activation has 'relu'. In the default setting of training and testing set (training set has 70%, the testing set has 30%). The training set has divided 80% by training, 20% by validation sets.

The descriptive analysis has described in Table 2. Recall, the class has labeled by OE based k-means clustering method by low, medium and high implemented in the SPSS IBM24. The comparison results of the normalization performance are

Table 2.	Descriptive	statistics	for	CH4	and	Experimental
	Dataset					

	CH4		Experimental Dataset			
Dataset			Train	Test		
	Class	Total	Train (80%)	Validation (20%)	(30%)	
	7454		5	2238		
			4171 1046		2230	
TR 0314-1	Low	7274	4113	1031	2205	
0314-1	Medium	123	50	12	28	
	High	57	8	3	5	
	3627		2	2537		
(T)D			2028	509	1090	
TR 0314-2	Low	2915	1633	410	876	
0314 2	Medium	562	314	78	169	
	High	150	81	21	45	
	1835		1	551		
TR			1025	259	551	
0314-3	Low	1459	816	206	438	
0014 0	Medium	303	169	42	91	
	High	73	40	11	22	
TR 0314–4	1396		9	420		
			780	196	420	
	Low	1067	598	150	321	
	Medium	329	182	46	99	
	High	0	0	0	0	

shown in Table 3, in which a classification accuracy, F1-score and MSE for the testing data, respectively. There can help us know how the models perform when the normalized threshold is not selected properly. This analysis does not include feature selection. The learning rate is set to  $\eta = 0.001$ . MLP predicts leakage on proposed architecture with accuracy 97.6%, F1-score 96.39% and MSE 0.047 on the OE; accuracy 93.83% and F1-score 95.5% and MSE 0.06 on the MaxAbs, better than other normalization methods for TR0314-1. The F1-score can be performed as a

Table 3. Comparison of normalizations for the prediction evaluation

		Ordinal Encoder	MinMax	Standard	MaxAbs	Quantile
<b>770</b>	F1	0.9639	0.3709	0.36831	0.9550	0.1735
TR 0314-1	ACC	0.9767	0.2390	0.2368	0.9383	0.1054
0314-1	MSE	0.047	0.76	0.7631	0.061	0.9
TR 0314–2	F1	0.7240	0.7213	0.7235	0.7235	0.7235
	ACC	0.7568	0.8036	0.8045	0.8045	0.8045
	MSE	0.3532	0.3201	0.3192	0.3192	0.3192
TR 0314-3	F1	0.5893	0.6876	0.6930	0.3808	0.7365
	ACC	0.5716	0.7622	0.7658	0.3157	0.8094
	MSE	0.6188	0.3956	0.3539	0.809	0.3103
	F1	0.6418	0.6621	0.6621	0.6874	0.6562
TR 0314-4	ACC	0.7238	0.7642	0.7642	0.7380	0.7523
0314-4	MSE	0.2761	0.2357	0.2357	0.2619	0.2476

weighted harmonic mean of the precision and where an F1-score gets its best value at 1 and the worst score at 0.

# 5. Conclusion

In this paper, we introduced the classification method of a prediction based MLP. The methane leaked class labeled by k-means algorithms.

The proposed method is OE based K-means clustering and MLP for predicting methane leak. The 15 features are the input neurons and the backpropagated errors associated with the hidden neurons. Extensive computer simulations used real open data case of USA street for methane leak that the proposed method presents better or equivalent results than estimation rate of the leak. In this paper, we propose the OE method for labeling target data using k-means clustering and compared normalization methods performance for methane leak prediction. There five normalization methods used as OE, MinMax, Standard, MaxAbs, and Quantile. We have shown that our proposed OE based MLP method is accuracy 97.7%, F1-score 96.4% and MaxAbs accuracy 93.8% and F1-score 95.5% which is relatively higher than the other methods. The system has implemented SPSS IBM24 and Python, including its performance, is tested on real open data. In future work, we will predict based on the dimensionality reduction methods use the Korean NG data.

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