

## Feature Based Data Stream Classification (FBDC) and Novel Class Detection

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### Abstract:

Data stream classification poses many challenges to the data mining community. Here this paper solves all the challenges such as infinite length, concept-drift, concept-evolution, and feature-evolution. Since a data stream is theoretically infinite in length, it is impractical to store and use all the historical data for training. Concept-drift is a common phenomenon in data streams, which occurs as a result of changes in the underlying concepts. Concept-evolution occurs as a result of new classes evolving in the stream. Feature-evolution is a frequently occurring process in many streams, such as text streams, in which new features (i.e., words or phrases) appear as the stream progresses. Since a data stream classification is quite risky process, this paper can solve the challenges such as infinite length, concept-drift, concept-evolution, and feature-evolution, and classify them based on their features. All the data stream should classify based on their dynamic behaviour. It also enhances the novel class detection module by making it more adaptive to the evolving stream, and enabling it to detect more than one novel class at a time. Comparison with state-of-the-art data stream classification techniques establishes the effectiveness of the proposed approach.

**Keywords**— Data stream, concept-evolution, novel class, outlier

### I. INTRODUCTION

DATA stream classification has been a widely studied research problem in recent years. The dynamic and evolving nature of data streams requires efficient and effective techniques that are significantly different from static data classification techniques. In this paper it address four major challenges of data stream namely, infinite length, concept-drift, concept-evolution, and feature-evolution. Since a data stream is theoretically infinite in length, it is impractical to store and use all the historical data for training. Concept-drift

is a common phenomenon in data streams, which occurs as a result of changes in the underlying concepts [3],[4],[5].

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Masud et al[2] address the novel class detection problem in the presence of concept-drift and infinite length. In this technique, an ensemble of models is used to classify the unlabeled data, and detect novel

classes. The novel class detection process consists of three steps. First, a decision boundary is built during training. Second, test points falling outside the decision boundary are declared as outliers. Finally, the outliers are analyzed to see if there is enough cohesion among themselves (i.e., among the outliers) and separation from the existing class instances. But Masud et al[2] did not address the feature-evolution problem. The feature-evolution problem is addressed in which also addressed the concept-evolution problem. However, both have two drawbacks. First, the false alarm rate (i.e., detection of existing classes as novel) is high for some data sets. Second, if there is more than one novel class, they are unable to distinguish among them. In this work, we propose a superior technique for both outlier detection and novel class detection to reduce both false alarm rate and increase detection rate. Our framework also allows for methods to distinguish among two or more novel classes. Here claim four major contributions in novel class detection for data streams. First, I am going to propose a flexible decision boundary for outlier detection by allowing a slack space outside the decision boundary. This space is controlled by a threshold, and the threshold is adapted continuously to reduce the risk of false alarms and missed novel classes. Second, here apply a probabilistic approach

to detect novel class instances using the discrete Gini Coefficient. With this approach, it is able to distinguish different causes for the appearance of the outliers, namely, noise, concept-drift, or concept-evolution. Here derive an analytical threshold for the Gini Coefficient that identifies the case where a novel class appears in the stream. Here empirically show the effectiveness of this approach. Third, apply a graph-based approach to detect the appearance of more than one novel class simultaneously, and separate the instances of one novel class from the others. Finally, my proposed approach addresses the feature evolution problem on top of the enhancements discussed above. This is the work that proposes these advanced techniques for novel class detection and classification in data streams and addresses feature-evolution. Here apply my technique on a number of benchmark data streams including Twitter messages, and outperform the state-of-the-art classification and novel class detection techniques.

## **II. RELATED WORKS**

Most of the existing data stream classification techniques are designed to handle the efficiency and concept-drift aspects of the classification process[6],[7]. Each of these techniques follows some sort of incremental learning approach to tackle the infinite-length and concept-drift problems. There are two variations of this incremental approach. The first approach is a single-model incremental approach, where a single model is dynamically maintained with new data. For example, incrementally updates a decision tree with incoming data, and the method in incrementally updates micro clusters in the model with the new data. The other approach is a hybrid batch-incremental approach, in which each model is built using a batch learning technique. However, older models are replaced by newer models when older models become obsolete some of these hybrid approaches use a single model to classify the unlabeled data whereas others use an ensemble of models. The advantage of the hybrid approaches over the

Single model incremental approach is that the hybrid approaches require much simpler operations to update a model (such as removing a model from the ensemble). My proposed approach not only addresses the infinite length and concept-drift problems but also concept-evolution and feature-evolution. Another category of data-stream classification technique deals with concept-evolution, in addition to addressing length and concept-drift. Spinoza et al apply a cluster-based technique to detect novel classes in data streams. Their approach builds a normal model of the data using clustering, defined by the hyper sphere encompassing all the clusters of normal data. This model is continuously updated with stream

progression. If any cluster is formed outside this hyper sphere, which satisfies a certain density constraint, then a novel class is declared. However, this approach assumes only one “normal” class, and considers all other classes as “novel.” Therefore, it is not directly applicable to multiclass data stream classification, since it corresponds to a “one-class” classifier. Furthermore, this technique assumes that the topological shape of the normal class instances in the feature space is convex. This may not be true in real data. Katakis et al.[8] propose a feature selection technique for data streams having dynamic feature space. Their technique consists of an incremental feature ranking method and an incremental learning algorithm. In this approach, whenever a new document arrive belonging to class *c*, at first it is checked whether there is any new word in the document. If there is a new word, it is added to a vocabulary. After adding all the new words, the vocabulary is scanned and for all words in the vocabulary, statistics (frequency per class) are updated. Based on these updated statistics, new ranking of the words is computed and top *N* words are selected. The classifier (either kNN or Naive Bayes) is also updated with the top *N* words. When an unlabeled document is classified, only the selected top *N* words are considered for class prediction. Wenerstrom and Giraud-Carrier[9] propose a technique, called FAE, which also applies incremental feature selection, but their incremental learner is an ensemble of models. Their approach also maintains a vocabulary. After receiving a new labeled document, the vocabulary is updated, and word statistics are also updated. Based on the new statistics, new ranking of features is computed and top *N* is selected. Then the algorithm decides, based on some parameters, whether a new classification model is to be created. A new model is created that has only the top *N* features in its feature vector. Each model in the ensemble is evaluated periodically, and old, obsolete models are discarded often. Classification is done by voting among the ensemble of models. Their approach achieves relatively better performance than the approach of Katakis et al[8]. There are several differences in the way that FAE and my technique approach the feature-evolution problem.

## **III. PROPOSED WORK**

To make this paper self-contained, should briefly describe the existing novel class detection technique proposed in [2].

The data stream is divided into equal sized chunks. The data points in the most recent data chunk are first classified using the ensemble. When the data points in a chunk become labeled (by human experts), that chunk is used for training. The basic

steps in classification and novel class detection are as follows: Each incoming instance in the data stream is first examined by an outlier detection module to check whether it is an outlier. If it is not an outlier, then it is classified as an existing class using majority voting among the classifiers in the ensemble. If it is an outlier, it is temporarily stored in a buffer. When there are enough instances in the buffer, the novel class detection module is invoked. If a novel class is found, the instances of the novel class are tagged accordingly. Otherwise, the instances in the buffer are considered as an existing class and classified normally using the ensemble of models.

The ensemble of models is invoked both in the outlier detection and novel class detection modules. The outlier detection process utilizes the decision boundary (to be explained shortly) of the ensemble of models to decide whether or not an instance is outlier. This decision boundary is built during training (see Section 3.1). The novel class detection process computes the cohesion among the outliers in the buffer and separation of the outliers from the existing classes to decide whether a novel class has arrived. The following sections discuss the training and classification phases more elaborately.

#### *A. Training Phase*

A k-NN-based classifier is trained with the training data. Rather than storing the  $r \times w$  training data,  $K$  clusters are built using a semi-supervised K-means clustering, and the cluster summaries (mentioned as pseudo points) of each cluster are saved. These pseudo points constitute the classification model. The summary contains the centroid, radius, and frequencies of data points belonging to each class. The radius of a pseudo point is equal to the distance between the centroid and the farthest data point in the cluster. The raw data points are discarded after creating the summary. Therefore, each model  $M_i$  is a collection of  $K$  pseudo points. A test instance  $x_j$  is classified using  $M_i$  as follows: Let  $h \in M_i$  be the pseudo point whose centroid is nearest from  $x_j$ . The predicted class of  $x_j$  is the class that has the highest frequency in  $h$ . The data point  $x_j$  is classified using the ensemble  $M$  by taking a majority vote among all classifiers. Each pseudopoint corresponds to a “hypersphere” in the feature space with a corresponding centroid and radius. The decision boundary of a model  $M_i$  is the union of the feature spaces encompassed by all pseudopoints  $h \in M_i$ . The decision boundary of the ensemble  $M$  is the union of the decision boundaries of all models  $M_i \in M$ . Once a new model is trained, it replaces one of the existing models in the ensemble. The candidate for replacement is chosen by evaluating each model on the latest training data, and selecting the model

with the worst prediction error. This ensures that we have exactly  $L$  models in the ensemble at any given point of time. In this way, the infinite length problem is addressed because a constant amount of memory is required to store the ensemble. The concept-drift problem is addressed by keeping the ensemble up-to-date with the most recent concept.

#### *B. Classification and Novel Class Detection*

Each instance in the most recent unlabeled chunk is first examined by the ensemble of models to see if it is outside the decision boundary of the ensemble. If it is inside the decision boundary, then it is classified normally (i.e., using majority voting) using the ensemble of models. Otherwise, it is declared as an F-outlier, or filtered outlier. The main assumption behind novel class detection is that any class of the data has the following property.

If there is a novel class in the stream, instances belonging to the class will be far from the existing class instances and will be close to other novel class instances. Since F-outliers are outside the decision boundary, they are far from the existing class instances. So, the separation property for a novel class is satisfied by the F-outliers. Therefore, F outliers are potential novel class instances, and they are temporarily stored in a buffer  $buf$  to observe whether they also satisfy the cohesion property. The buffer is examined periodically to see whether there are enough F-outliers that are close to each other. This is done by computing the following metric, which we call the  $q$ -neighborhood silhouette coefficient, or  $q$ -NSC. To understand  $q$ -NSC, we first need to define the concept of  $q$ ;  $c$ -neighborhood.

**Definition 1** ( $c$ ;  $q$ -neighborhood). The  $c$ ,  $q$ -neighborhood (or  $c$ ;  $q(x)$  in short) of an F-outlier  $x$  is the set of  $q$  class  $c$  instances that are nearest to  $x$  (i.e.,  $q$ -nearest class  $c$  neighbors of  $x$ ).

Here,  $q$  is a user-defined parameter. For example,  $c1, q(x)$  of an F-outlier  $x$  is the  $q$ -nearest class  $c1$  neighbors of  $x$ .

Let  $D_{out, q}(x)$  be the mean distance of an F-outlier  $x$  to its  $q$ -nearest F-outlier neighbors (i.e.,  $c_{out, q}(x)$ ). Also, let  $D_{c, q}(x)$  be the mean distance from  $x$  to its  $c$ ,  $q(x)$ , and let  $D_{min, q}(x)$  be the minimum among all  $D_{c, q}(x)$ ,  $c \in \{\text{Set of existing classes}\}$ . In other words,  $c_{min, q}$  is the nearest existing class neighborhood of  $x$ . Then,  $q$ -NSC of  $x$  is given by

$$q - NSC(x) = \frac{Dc \min, q(x) - Dcout, q(x)}{\max(Dc \min, q(x), Dcout, q(x))}$$

The expression q-NSC is a unified measure of cohesion and separation, and yields a value between  $[-1, 1]$ . A positive value indicates that  $x$  is closer to the F-outlier instances (more cohesion) and farther away from existing class instances (more separation), and vice versa. The q-NSC( $x$ ) value of an F-outlier  $x$  must be computed separately for each classifier  $M_i$  2  $M$ . A new class is declared if there are at least  $q_0$  ( $> q$ ) F-outliers having positive q-NSC for all classifiers  $M_i$  2  $M$ .

#### IV. NOVEL CLASS DETECTION: PROPOSED APPROACH

My proposed technique applies the Lossless feature space conversion for feature-evolving streams, and also enhances the existing novel class detection technique in three ways, which are 1) outlier detection using adaptive threshold, 2) novel class detection using Gini coefficient, and 3) simultaneous multiple novel class detection. Before describing the improvements, we briefly outline the overall novel class detection process.

##### A. Overview

Algorithm 1 sketches the proposed novel class detection approach. The input to the algorithm is the ensemble  $M$  and the buffer  $Buf$  holding the outliers instances. At first, we create  $K_0$  clusters using K-means with the instances in  $Buf$  (line 2), where  $K_0$  is proportional to  $K$ , the number of pseudopoints per chunk (line 1). Then each cluster is transformed into a pseudopoint data structure, which stores the centroid, weight (number of data points in the cluster) and radius (distance between the centroid and the farthest data point in the cluster). Clustering is performed to speed up the computation of q-NSC value. If we compute q-NSC value for every F-outlier separately, it takes quadratic time in the number of the outliers. On the other hand, if compute the q-NSC value of the  $K_0$ F-outlier pseudo points (or O-pseudo point), it takes constant time. The q-NSC value of a

O-pseudo — point  $h$  is the approximate average of the

q-NSC value of each instance in  $h$ . This is computed as follows: First, we define  $c$ ;  $q(h)$  in terms of a O pseudo point  $h$ .

##### Algorithm 1. Detect-Novel( $M, Buf$ )

**Input:**  $M$ : Current ensemble of best  $L$  classifiers

$Buf$ : Buffer temporarily holding F-outlier instances

**Output:** The novel class instances identified, if found

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1:  $K_0 \leftarrow (K * |Buf| / S)$  //  $S$  = chunk size  $K$  = clusters per chunk
2:  $H \leftarrow K\text{-means}(Buf, K_0)$  // create  $K_0$  O-pseudopoints
3: for each classifier  $M_i \in M$  do
4:    $tp \leftarrow 0$ 
5:   for each cluster  $h \in H$  do
6:      $h.sc \leftarrow q\text{-NSC}(h)$ 
7:     if  $h.sc > 0$  then
8:        $tp += h.size$  // total instances in the cluster
9:       for each instance  $x \in h.cluster$  do  $x.sc \leftarrow \max(x.sc, h.sc)$ 
10:    end if
11:  end for
12:  if  $tp > q$  then vote++
13: end for
14: if vote ==  $L$  then // found novel class, identify novel instances
15:    $X_{nov} \leftarrow$  all instance  $x$  with  $x.sc > 0$ 
16:   for all  $x \in X_{nov}$  do
17:      $x.ns \leftarrow Nscore(x)$ 
18:     if  $x.ns > Gini_{th}$  then  $N \text{ list } N \text{ list } [x]$ 
19:   end for
20:   Detect-Multinovel( $N \text{ list}$ )
21: endif
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#### V. EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

My experiment algorithm consist of novel class with new featured words. It contain a novel class that solve all the challenges of data stream.

##### A) Input

Sl No.	Title	Cluster
1	Sachin	Cricket
2	Dhoni	Cricket
3	Messy	Football
4	Sania Mirza	Tennis
5	Anand	Chess

This is the input table for my proposed work. This table shows the values for training phase. These are static values. In working phase we could check the data stream based on this static data.

##### B) Output

Class 0	Class 1	Class 2
zaheer	Software reuse	Rose
Ronaldo	testing	Lilly
Sehwag	quality	Lotus



This is final output of my proposed work. Each and every new words are classified and grouped in novel class.

## VI. CONCLUSION AND DISCUSSION

Here propose a classification and novel class detection technique for concept-drifting data streams that solve four major challenges, namely, infinite length, concept-drift, concept-evolution, and feature-evolution. The existing novel class detection techniques for data streams either do not address the feature-evolution problem or suffer from high false alarm rate and false detection rates in many scenarios. Here first discuss the feature space conversion technique to address feature-evolution problem. Then, we identify two key mechanisms of the novel class detection technique, namely, outlier detection, and identifying novel class instances, as the prime cause of high error rates for previous approaches. To solve this problem, i propose an improved technique for outlier detection by defining a slack space outside the decision boundary of each classification model, and adaptively changing this slack space based on the characteristic of the evolving data. We also propose a better alternative approach for identifying novel class instances using discrete Gini Coefficient, and theoretically establish its usefulness. Finally, i propose a graph-based approach for distinguishing among multiple novel classes. Here apply my technique on several real data streams that experience concept-drift and concept-evolution and achieve much better performance than existing techniques. My approach uses fixed chunk size  $S$  for training. Here do not use any drift detection technique to make the chunk size dynamic. Therefore, if there is no concept-drift, our approach will still build a new model for each chunk (i.e., one for each  $S$  instances). Besides, if there is an abrupt drift, our approach will take some time to adjust to it. However, it could have used adopted some dynamic approach using drift detection technique but our present work emphasizes mainly on concept-evolution. Here it can consider the drift detection issue in the future to make our approach more dynamic and robust.

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