Defining Effectiveness in One-Phase Technology-Assisted Review

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Abstract

A persistent source of confusion in one-phase technology-assited review (TAR) is around how to interpret the notion of prediction when evaluating such a review. We examine the conflicting assumptions that have been made on this point, and what they imply for the basic contingency table quantities and the associated effectiveness measures. This provides insight into the remarkable array of recall estimators that have been proposed in TAR, and how to deal with anomalies such as logically impossible estimates.

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