

## FEATURE SELECTION AND CLASSIFICATION USING AGE LAYERED POPULATION STRUCTURE GENETIC PROGRAMMING



Figure 6: FSALPS layer 4

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#### OBJECTIVES

This paper presents a new algorithm called Feature Selection Age Layered Population Structure (FSALPS) for feature subset selection and classification of varied supervised learning tasks.

- 1. Canonical GP
- 2. ALPS[1] GP
- 3. FSALPS GP

#### INTRODUCTION

- 1. **FSALPS** uses a novel frequency count system to rank features in the GP population based on evolved feature frequencies.
- 2. The ranked features are translated into probabilities, which are used to control evolutionary processes such as terminal—symbol selection for the construction of GP trees/sub-trees.

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### FEATURE FREQUENCY COUNTS (20 RUNS)

Figure 4: FSALPS layer 0

Dataset(Attributes)		GP	ALPS	FSALPS
Pima (9)[2]	Min	7	8	3
, , <del>,                                </del>	Max	9	9	9
	Avg	8.6	8.9	$\bf 6.4$
Breast cancer (31)[2]	Min	12	6	5
	Max	26	29	<b>17</b>
	Avg	17.85	20.9	9.3
Ionosphere (35)[2]	Min	9	13	7
	Max	25	31	20
	Avg	18.65	23.5	12.75
Sonar (61)[2]	Min	16	28	7
	Max	42	45	<b>27</b>
	Avg	23.65	36.9	16.85
Corn–notill (201)[3]	Min	18	28	8
	Max	47	81	31
	Avg	30.15	51.85	18.25
Soybean–mintill (201)[3]	Min	17	29	8
	Max	49	78	40
	Avg	30.6	49.55	20.55

Figure 5: FSALPS layer 2

#### FSALPS ALGORITHM

FSALPS continuously refines the feature set through a non-converging evolutionary process.

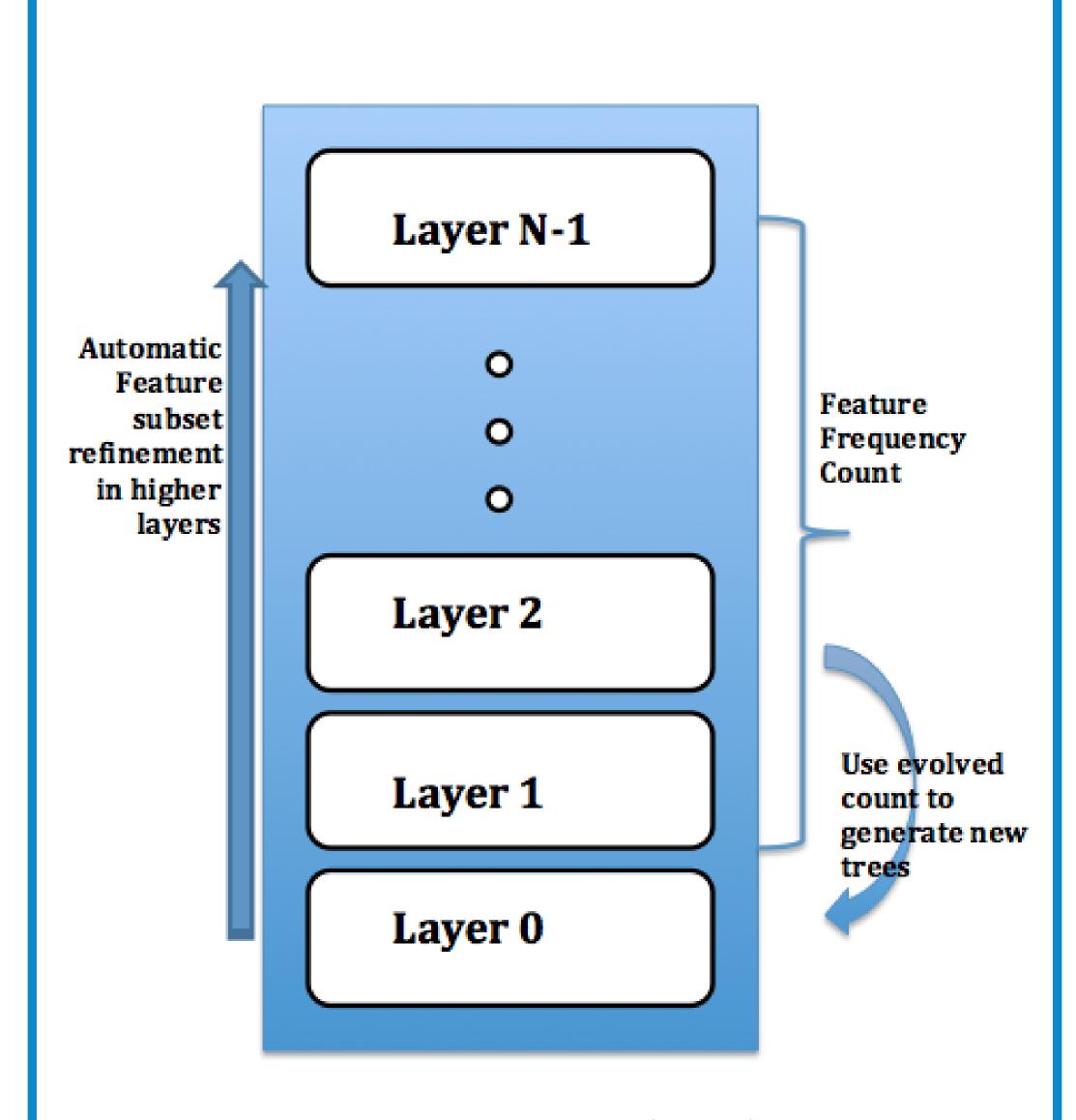
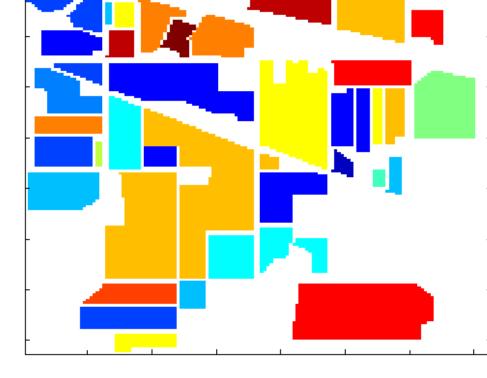


Figure 7: FSALPS Algorithm

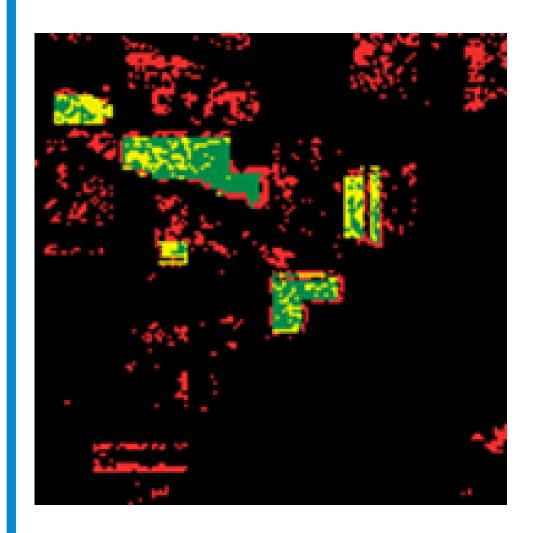
#### HYPERSPECTRAL DATASET[3]



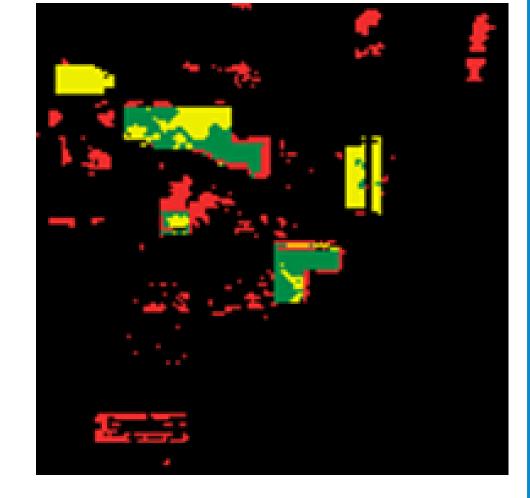
Figure 8: Sample band  $(2.09\mu \text{ m})$ .



**Figure 9:** Ground truth of 16 classes.



**Figure 10:** ALPS Classification accuracy (corn notill): 87.53%



**Figure 11:** FSALPS Classification accuracy (corn notill): 87.57%

#### CONCLUSION

FSALPS results in significant feature reduction and reduced tree size, with no loss in classification accuracy.

#### FUTURE RESEARCH

- Feature extraction.
- Multi-classification.
- Hyperspectral: expanding GP language (e.g. filter operators).

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