
ML on FHIR

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CHAPTER 1

Installation

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2.1 Connecting to a FHIR Server

To connect to a FHIR server, create a `FHIRClient` object and provide its `BaseURL`:

```
1 from fhir_client import FHIRClient
2 client = FHIRClient(service_base_url='https://r3.smarthealthit.org')
```

The server's compatibility statement is queried to determine whether the connection was successful established.

2.2 Get an Overview of your Data

Before querying patients that belong to a specific cohort, we can get an overview of available **procedures** and via:

```
1 import pandas as pd
2 procedures = client.get_all_procedures()
3 pd.DataFrame([prod.code['coding'][0] for prod in procedures]).drop_duplicates().sort_
  ↪ values(by=['display']).head()
```

This might take a while but will give you an overview of available procedures. E.g.

ID	code	display	system
893	183450002	Admission to burn unit	http://snomed.info/sct
83	305428000	Admission to orthopedic department	http://snomed.info/sct
13687	35637008	Alcohol rehabilitation	http://snomed.info/sct

Similarly, we can receive a list of available **conditions** via:

```
1 conditions = client.get_all_conditions()
2 pd.DataFrame([cond.code['coding'][0] for cond in conditions]).drop_duplicates(subset=[
  ↪ 'display']).sort_values(by='display', ascending=True).head()
```

ID	code	display	system
488	30473006	Abdominal pain	http://snomed.info/sct
140	102594003	Abnormal ECG	http://snomed.info/sct
6801	26079004	Abnormal involuntary movement	http://snomed.info/sct

2.3 Query Patients

With a list of available conditions we can query patients for which a certain condition was diagnosed. To do so we can either use the code of a coding nomenclature (e.g. *SNOMED*) or its readable name:

```

1 patients_by_condition_text = client.get_patients_by_condition_text("Abdominal pain")
2 patients_by_procedure_code = client.get_patients_by_procedure_code("http://snomed.
  ↳ info/sct", "73761001")

```

2.4 Machine Learning

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2.4.1 Server Interoperability

ObservationProcessors

To use patient features in a machine learning task, we will extract them from the FHIR [Observation Resource](#). Depending on how your server is set up, the way we can extract desired observation values might differ. In the following example we will use [LOINC codes](#) to extract the latest **BMI measurement** of a patient.

```

1 from ml_on_fhir.preprocessing import AbstractObservationProcessor, get_coding_
  ↳ condition
2
3 class ObservationLatestBmiProcessor(AbstractObservationProcessor):
4     """
5     Class to transform the FHIR observation resource with loinc code 39156-5 (BMI)
6     to be usable as patient feature.
7     """
8     def __init__(self):
9         super().__init__('bmiLatest')
10
11    def transform(self, X, **transform_params):
12        conditions = get_coding_condition(['system': 'http://loinc.org',
13                                          'code': '39156-5'])
14        bmis = list(filter(conditions, X))
15        bmis = sorted(bmis, reverse=True)
16        if len(bmis) >= 1:
17            return self.patient_attribute_name, float(bmis[0].
  ↳ valueQuantity['value'])
18        else:
19            return self.patient_attribute_name, 0.0

```

In line 9, we define the name of the feature, so we can use it as if it was a patient attribute. In line 12, we define the conditions that an observation needs to fulfill to be considered. An observation has to fulfill **all** conditions (e.g. coding

system has to be `http://loinc.org` **and** its code must be 39156-5). In line 13, we apply the conditions on all observations of a given patient (X). Now, we reversely sort the `Observation` objects that are left. `Observation` objects are always sorted by FHIR's `effectiveDateTime` attribute. Finally, we use the FHIR `quantity` datatype to return the patient's latest BMI measurement.

We can now use the new `bmiLatest` feature in a `MLOnFHIRClassifier` after registering in with the `FHIRClient`.

```
1 from ml_on_fhir.fhir_client import FHIRClient
2
3 client = FHIRClient(service_base_url='https://r3.smarthealthit.org')
4 client.preprocessor.register_preprocessor(ObservationLatestBmiProcessor)
5 ml_fhir = MLOnFHIRClassifier(Patient, feature_attrs=['bmiLatest'],
6                             label_attrs=['gender'], preprocessor=client.preprocessor)
```

Note that some patient attributes like `gender` are already provided through a similar mechanism with `PatientProcessors`. Read more about them [here](#).

PatientProcessors