Data Mining and Business Intelligence

Experiment - 4

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Aim: To implement and compare the performance of Decision Tree and Naïve Bayes classification algorithms using Python.

Requirements:

Software & Tools:

- Python 3.x
- Google Colab / Jupyter Notebook

Libraries:

- pandas data handling
- numpy numerical operations
- scikit-learn machine learning models (Decision Tree, Naïve Bayes, train-test split, evaluation metrics)
- matplotlib and seaborn visualization

Introduction: Classification is a supervised machine learning technique used to assign labels to data points based on their features. Two widely used algorithms are:

• Decision Tree Classifier:

A tree-like structure where internal nodes represent decisions based on features, branches represent outcomes, and leaf nodes represent final classes. It is intuitive, interpretable, and handles both numerical and categorical data.

• Naïve Bayes Classifier:

A probabilistic classifier based on Bayes' Theorem, which assumes that features are conditionally independent. Despite the "naïve" assumption, it performs well in many real-world applications, such as spam filtering and sentiment analysis.

Algorithm Steps:

Decision Tree Algorithm:

- 1. Select the feature that best splits the dataset using criteria like **Gini Index** or **Entropy**.
- 2. Create a decision node for the selected feature.
- 3. Partition the dataset into subsets.
- 4. Recursively apply the same logic to subsets until stopping criteria are met.
- 5. Assign a class label to leaf nodes.

Naïve Bayes Algorithm:

- 1. Calculate the **prior probability** for each class.
- 2. For each feature, compute the **conditional probability** given the class.
- 3. Apply **Bayes' Theorem**:

$$P(Class|X) = rac{P(X|Class) \cdot P(Class)}{P(X)}$$

4. Predict the class with the highest posterior probability.

Execution:

Code:

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Decision Tree:
# --- Decision Tree ----
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier, plot tree
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy score
# Load dataset
df = pd.read_csv("/content/airlines_flights_data.csv")
# Select features and target
X = df[['duration', 'days_left', 'price']] # numerical predictors
y = df['class'].map({'Economy': 0, 'Business': 1}) # encode target
# Train-test split
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(
   X, y, test_size=0.3, random_state=42
)
# Train Decision Tree
dt = DecisionTreeClassifier(max depth=4, criterion='entropy', random state=42)
dt.fit(X_train, y_train)
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# Predict
y_pred = dt.predict(X_test)
acc = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)
print("Decision Tree Accuracy:", acc)
# Plot Decision Tree
plt.figure(figsize=(20, 10))
plot_tree(
    dt,
    feature_names=X.columns,
    class_names=['Economy', 'Business'],
    filled=True,
    rounded=True,
    fontsize=10
)
plt.show()
Naive Bayes:
# --- Naive Bayes --
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
from sklearn.naive_bayes import GaussianNB
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, confusion_matrix, classification_report
# Load dataset
df = pd.read csv("/content/airlines flights data.csv")
# Select features and target
X = df[['duration', 'days_left', 'price']] # numerical predictors
y = df['class'].map({'Economy': 0, 'Business': 1}) # encode target
# Scale features for Naive Bayes
scaler = StandardScaler()
X_scaled = scaler.fit_transform(X)
# Train-test split
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(
   X_scaled, y, test_size=0.3, random_state=42
)
# Train Naive Bayes
nb = GaussianNB()
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nb.fit(X_train, y_train)
# Predict
y_pred = nb.predict(X_test)
acc = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)
print("Naive Bayes Accuracy:", acc)
print("\nClassification Report:\n", classification_report(y_test, y_pred))
# Confusion Matrix
cm = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred)
plt.figure(figsize=(6, 5))
sns.heatmap(cm, annot=True, fmt="d", cmap="Greens",
            xticklabels=['Economy', 'Business'],
            yticklabels=['Economy', 'Business'])
plt.title("Naive Bayes Confusion Matrix")
plt.xlabel("Predicted")
plt.ylabel("Actual")
plt.show()
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Results and Inference:

The **Decision Tree classifier** fits the dataset well and often achieves higher accuracy on training data but may overfit.

The **Naïve Bayes classifier,** though based on the independence assumption, is computationally efficient and performs well for large datasets.

Accuracy, Precision, Recall, and F1-scores help compare performance. Typically, Decision Trees give higher accuracy, while Naïve Bayes provides stable results for probabilistic classification problems.

Conclusion:

In this experiment, we implemented and compared **Decision Tree** and **Naïve Bayes** classifiers using Python.

- Decision Trees provide an interpretable model with decision rules but may overfit on noisy data.
- Naïve Bayes is fast, simple, and effective when features are independent, though it may underperform if dependencies exist.
- On our **airline dataset**, they can be applied to classify flights as **Economy vs Business**, highlighting their applicability to real-world problems.

Output:



