

# Machine Learning Assignment 1

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## Problem 1: Discretization

1. **Rounding off:** The code for rounding method will be found in “discretization1.m” file.
2. **CACC:** The algorithm of Class-Attribute Contingency Coefficient is taken from the MATLAB code that was provided with the assignment. The code for this problem will be found in “discretization2.m” file.

## Problem 2: ID3

This ID3 algorithm has been written by us without using any libraries. The train vs test split ratio is 70:30.

**Tree Representation:** The decision tree is represented with 4 arrays namely *node\_names*, *node\_values*, *edges* and *parents*. The *parents(i)* contains the index of the parent node of *nodes\_names(i)*. The *edges(i)* contains the edge value between *node\_names(i)* and its parent node.

1. **Rounding off:** The code will be found in the file named “ID3\_1.m”.
  - a. **Results:** The algorithm produces 15-16 nodes in the tree for the discrete valued iris dataset. The Mean Squared Error (MSE) value is found to be between 5-8 in the 5 observations with different train and test datasets.
2. **CACC:** The code will be found in the file named “ID3\_2.m”.
  - a. **Results:** The algorithm produces 11-15 nodes in the tree for the discrete valued iris dataset. The Mean Squared Error (MSE) value is found to be between 0-4 in the 5 observations with different train and test datasets.

**Comparing the results:** The CACC algorithm takes longer to discretize the real values, but it produces a desirable decision tree with fewer number of nodes and higher accuracy compared to the rounding off discretization method.