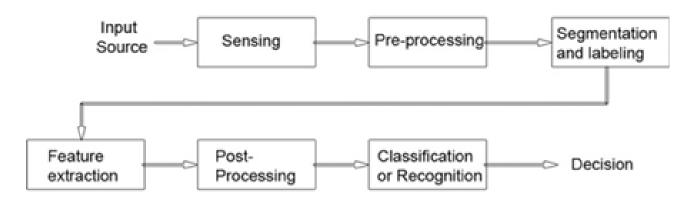
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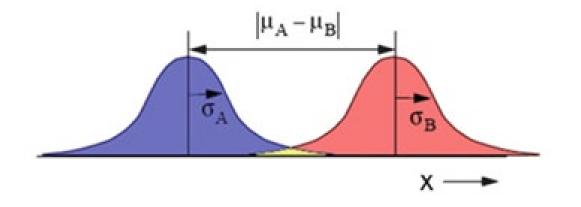
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Learned before

Classification principles: start from the end



classification system



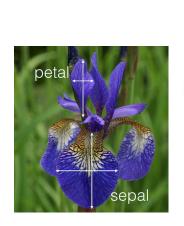
good features are difficult to find!

Example: is your feature good?













Lecture 2:

Nonmetric Methods

Nonmetric Methods

nonmetric = categorical data, i.e. lists of attributes as features (not numbers)

fruit {color=red, texture=shiny, taste=sweet, size=large}

segment of DNA {sequence "GACTTAGATTCCA"}

solved by:

- decision trees
- rule-based classifiers, and
- syntactic (grammar-based) methods



Decision Trees

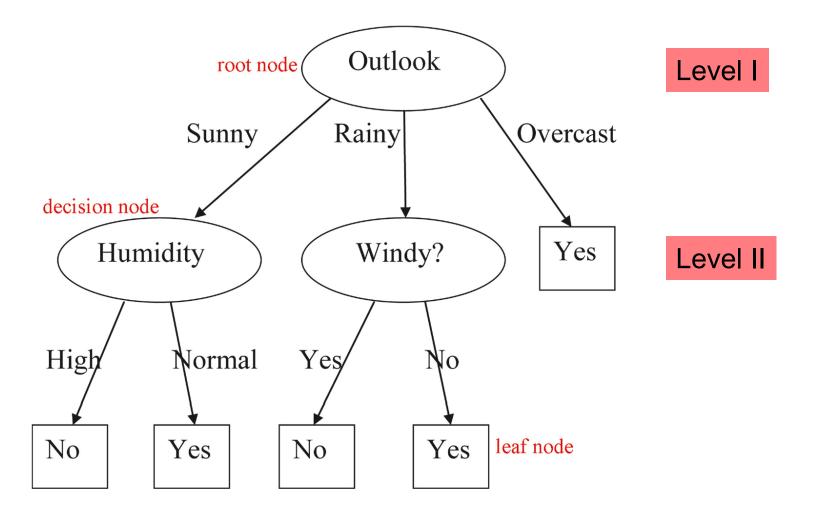
- simple classifier in the form of a hierarchical tree structure
- supervised classification using a divide-and-conquer strategy
- directed branching structure with a series of questions
- questions are placed at decision nodes
- each node tests particular attribute (feature) and provides a binary or multi-way split
- starting node is known as the *root node* (parent of every other node)

Successive decision nodes are visited until terminal (*leaf node*) is reached, where the class is read



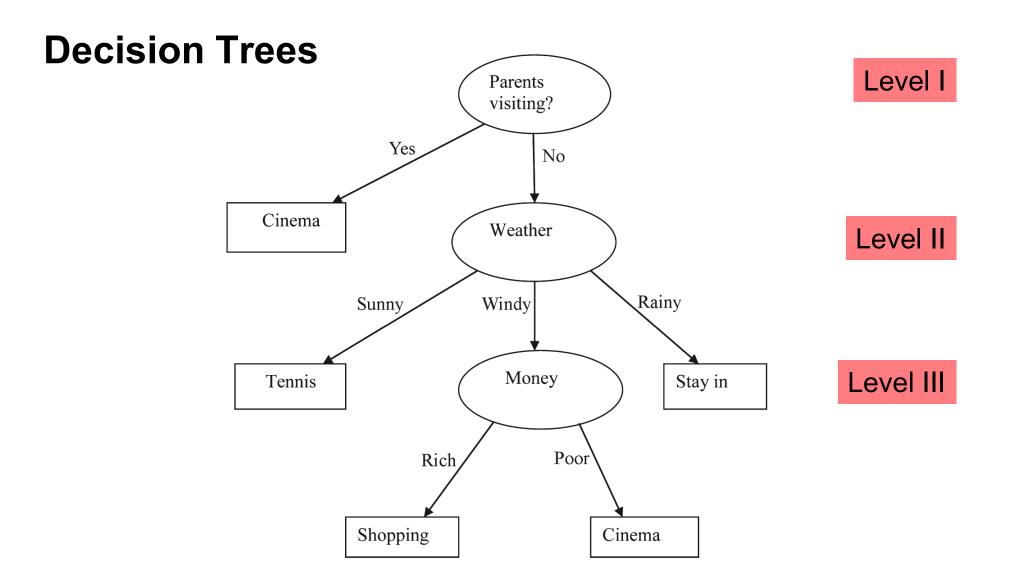
decision tree is upside-down tree, with the root at the top and the leaves at the bottom!

Decision Trees



Two-level decision tree for determining whether to play tennis

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Three-level decision tree for determining what to do on a Saturday morning

Decision Trees

- decision trees, once constructed, are very fast since they require very little computation
- but the more interesting question is how to construct the tree from training data



- there are exponentially many decision trees that can be constructed from a given set of features
- some of the trees will be more accurate than others, finding the optimal tree is not computationally feasible

Decision Trees



- number of efficient algorithms have been developed to create or "grow" a reasonably accurate decision tree in a reasonable amount of time
- algorithms usually employ a greedy strategy that grows the tree using the most informative attribute (feature) at each step and does not allow backtracking

information = reduction of uncertainty

→ informative attributes will result in reduction of uncertainty



color or shape attribute?

$$P(color = red) = 1$$

$$P(color = red) = 1$$
 $P(shape = round) = 0.5$



- attributes with a high probability of occurring carry little information
- attributes that are least expected carry most information

$$E = event$$
 (color, shape, etc.)
 $P(E) = probability of event$



$$I(E) = \log \frac{1}{P(E)} = -\log P(E)$$

units (bits) of information

Entropy is a measure of the disorder or unpredictability in a system

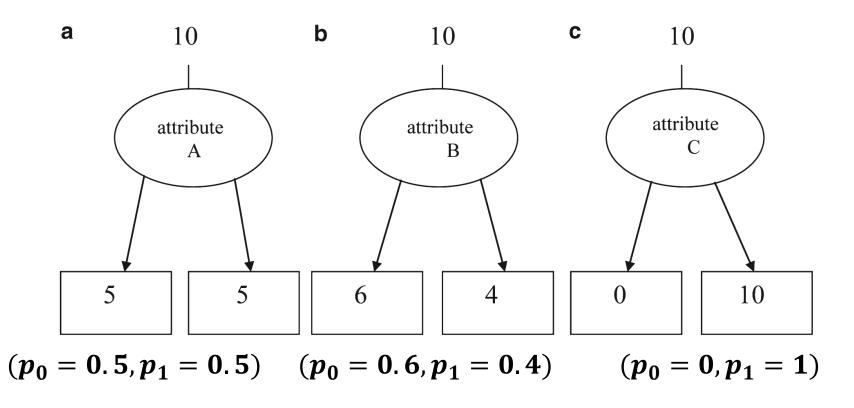
Example: binary (two-class) classification

attribute A splits the objects S into (p_0, p_1) , with standardisation: $p_1 = 1 - p_0$

$$S = \{1, 2, ..., 20\}$$

attribute A = $\begin{cases} \text{"object has two positions"} \\ \text{or} \\ \text{"object has 1 or 0"} \end{cases}$

How to decide?



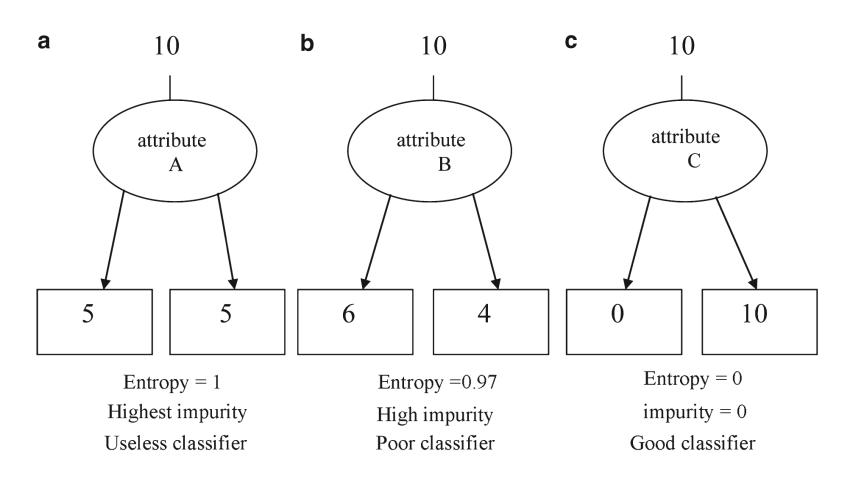
an attribute splits the objects S into (p_0, p_1) , with standardisation: $p_1 = 1 - p_0$



Entropy *H* of *S* w.r.t attribute:

$$H(S) = -p_0 \log_2 p_0 - p_1 \log_2 p_1$$

Entropy can be thought of as describing the amount of **impurity** in a set of features at a node



an attribute splits the objects S into $(p_0, p_1, ..., p_c)$,

with standardisation:
$$\sum_{i=1}^{c} p_i = 1$$



Entropy *H* of *S* w.r.t attribute:

$$H(S) = -\sum_{i=1}^{c} p_i \log_2 p_i$$

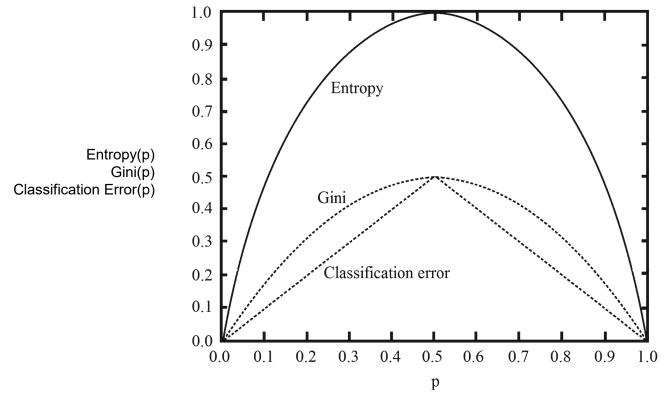
Decision Trees: Self Study

Gini-impurity

$$Gini(S) = 1 - \sum_{i} p_i^2$$

classification error

classification error(S) = 1 - max(p_i)

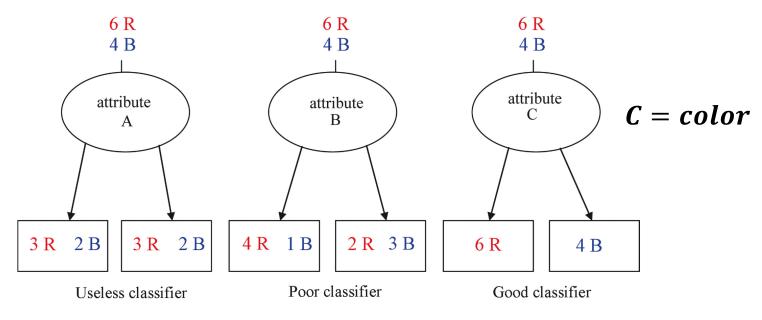


impurity measures for binary classification

Problem: determine the best attribute to choose for each decision node of the tree

→ best attribute will be the one that best separates instances into homogeneous subsets

$$S = \{R, B, R, R, B, R, B, B, R, R\}$$



splitting a mixture of instances

information gain = value for reduction of impurity caused by partitioning the examples according to the attribute

$$\operatorname{Gain}(S,A) = \operatorname{Impurity}(S) + \operatorname{Term}$$
 will be explained in later slides

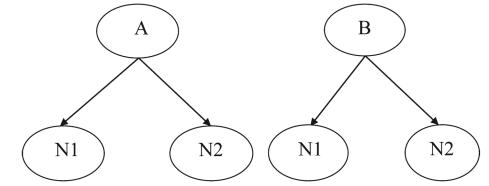
→ bigger gain means bigger reduction of impurity

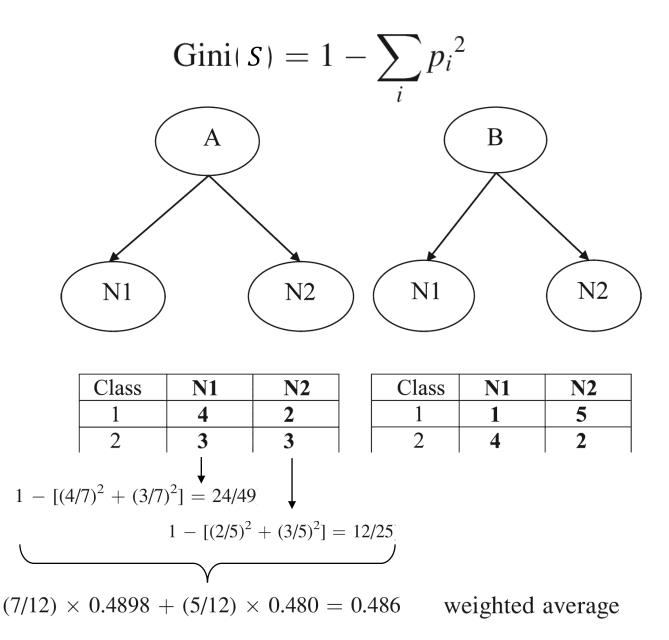
Example: use the Gini index (as measure for impurity) and find the **information gain** of two attributes A and B

$$Gini(S) = 1 - \sum_{i} p_i^2$$

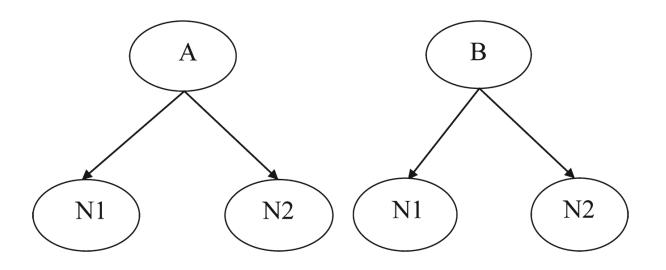
- there are two attributes, A and B, which split the data (comprising 12 instances) into smaller subsets
- before splitting (i.e., the parent node), the Gini index is 0.5 since there is an equal number of cases from both classes

Class	Parent	
1	6	
2	6	
Gini = 0.500		





Class	Parent	
1	6	
2	6	
Gini = 0.500		



Class	N1	N2	
1	4	2	
2	3	3	
Gini = 0.486			

Class	N1	N2	
1	1	5	
2	4	2	
Gini = 0.375			



the subsets for attribute B have a smaller Gini index (i.e., smaller impurity), it is preferred to attribute A, or

gain in using attribute B is larger (Gain(S, B) = 0.5 - 0.375 = 0.125) than the gain in using attribute A (Gain(S, A) = 0.5 - 0.486 = 0.014)

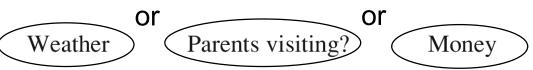
Using the ID3 (Quinlan 1986) algorithm to build a decision tree

ID3 = top-down greedy search through the space of possible decision trees; name given because it was the third in a series of "interactive dichotomizer" procedures

Examples	Weather	Parents visiting?	Money	Decision (category)
1	Sunny	Yes	Rich	Cinema
2	Sunny	No	Rich	Tennis
3	Windy	Yes	Rich	Cinema
4	Rainy	Yes	Poor	Cinema
5	Rainy	No	Rich	Stay in
6	Rainy	Yes	Poor	Cinema
7	Windy	No	Poor	Cinema
8	Windy	No	Rich	Shopping
9	Windy	Yes	Rich	Cinema
10	Sunny	No	Rich	Tennis

we want to train a decision tree using the examples

1.Step: find attribute for root node:



Cinema 6
$$p_1=0.6$$

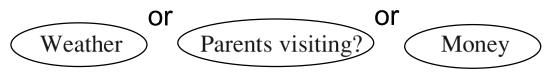
Tennis 2 $p_2=0.2$
Stay in 1 $p_3=0.1$
Shopping 1 $p_4=0.1$

$$H(S) = -\sum_{i=1}^{c} p_i \log_2 p_i$$

	Decision (category)
•	Cinema
	Tennis
	Cinema
	Cinema
	Stay in
	Cinema
	Cinema
	Shopping
	Cinema
	Tennis

$$= -0.6 \log_2 0.6 - 0.2 \log_2 0.2 - 2 \times (0.1 \log_2 0.1) = 1.571$$

1.Step: find attribute for root node:



determine the values of Gain(S, parents), Gain(S, weather), and Gain(S, money)

If "parents coming?" is the node, then

- 5 instances will be "yes" with all class "cinema", i.e. entropy of zero
- 5 instances will be "no": 2x"tennis," 1x"stay-in," 1x "cinema," 1x"shopping" entropy= $-0.4 \log_2 0.4 3 \times (0.2 \log_2 0.2)$.

Parents visiting?	Decision (category)
Yes	Cinema
No	Tennis
Yes	Cinema
Yes	Cinema
No	Stay in
Yes	Cinema
No	Cinema
No	Shopping
Yes	Cinema
No	Tennis

Gain(S, parents) = 1.571 - (| yes | / 10) × Entropy(
$$S_{yes}$$
) - (| no | / 10)
× Entropy(S_{no}) = 1.571 - (0.5) × 0 - (0.5) × (1.922) = 0.61

1.Step: find attribute for root node: **(**

Weather	Parents vis	siting? Money	
	Money	Decision (category)	-)

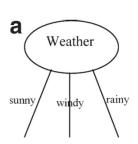
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Sunny	Tennis

Money	Decision (category)
Rich	Cinema
Rich	Tennis
Rich	Cinema
Poor	Cinema
Rich	Stay in
Poor	Cinema
Poor	Cinema
Rich	Shopping
Rich	Cinema
Rich	Tennis

$$Gain(S, weather) = 0.70$$

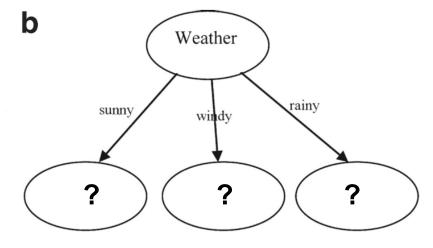
$$Gain(S, money) = 0.2816$$

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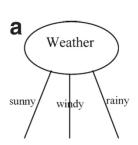


2.Step: find attribute for next nodes:

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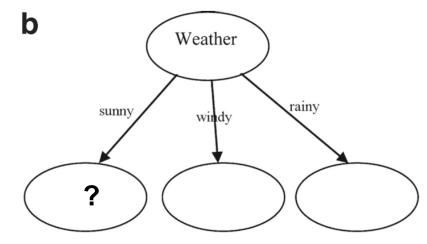


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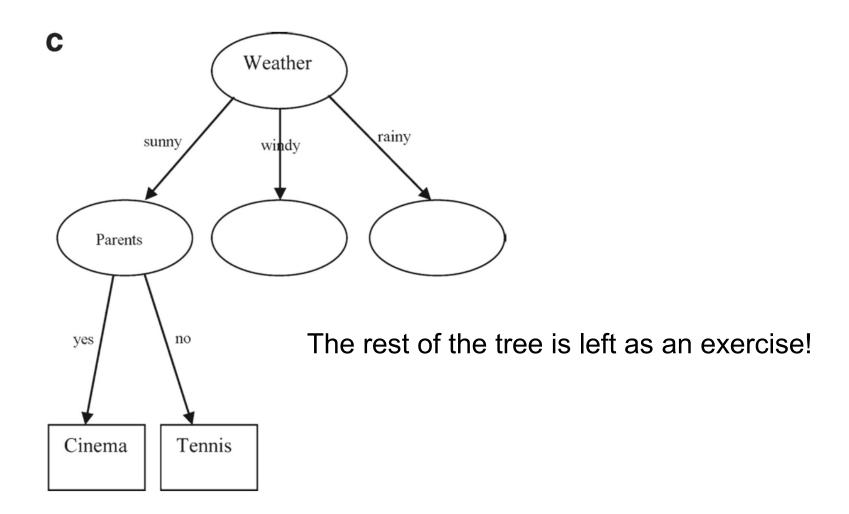
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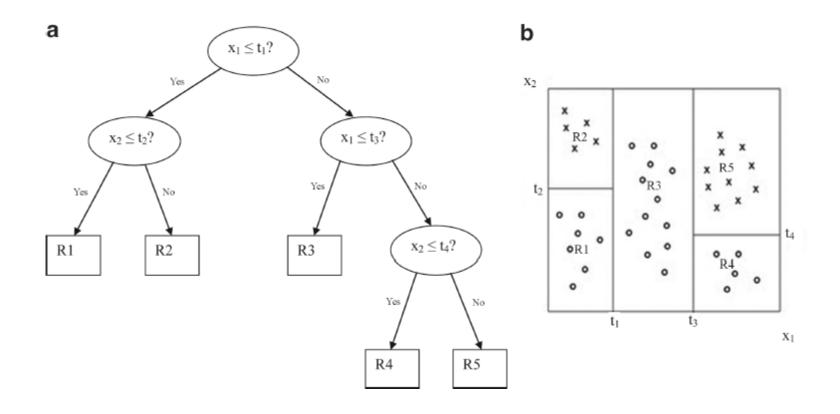


 $Gain(S_{sunny}, parents) = 0.918$

Gain
$$(S_{\text{sunny}}, \text{money}) = 0$$

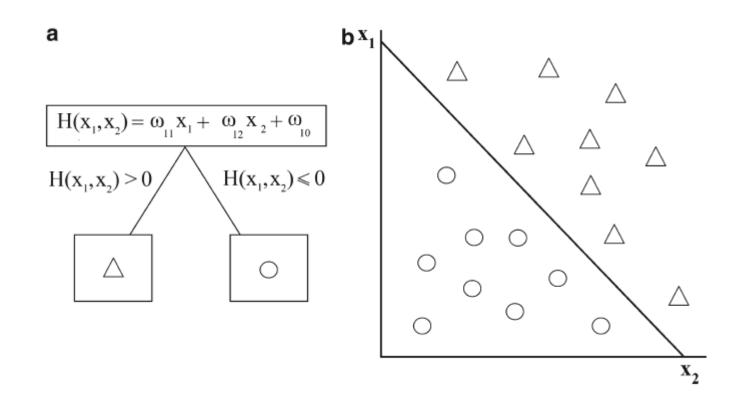


Decision Trees in Feature Space



(a) decision tree and (b) the resulting decision boundaries in feature space

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Rule-Based Classifier

Classify records by using a collection of "if...then..." rules

It is possible to extract rules from a decision tree: each path from root to a leaf can be written down as a series of **IF. . .THEN** rules

IF (outlook = sunny) AND (humidity = high)
THEN do not play tennis

Other Methods

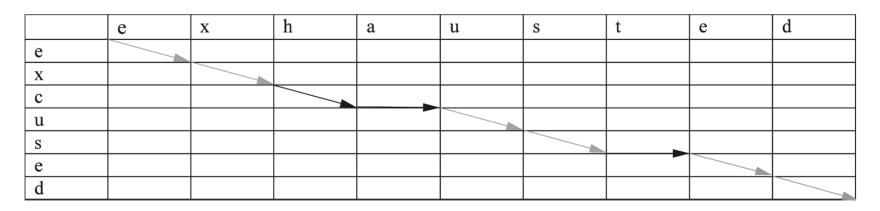
DNA sequence: "AGCTTGGCATC" (where A, G, C, and T stand for the nucleic acids adenine, guanine, cytosine, and thymine)

string matching involves finding whether a sub-string appears in a string for a particular shift of characters

edit distance = how many fundamental operations (substitution, insertion, or deletion of a character) are required to transform one string into another

Other Methods

how to transform x = "excused" into the string y = "exhausted"



gray arrow indicates no change black diagonal arrow indicates substitution black horizontal arrow is an insertion

edit distance = 3

Summary

Nonmetric Methods: features are attributes (not numbers)

- decision trees: information, entropy, information gain
- rule-based classifier
- other methods

Homework: Exercises and Labs

for the next week prepare practical exercises and labs from **Exercises Lec 2** (you will find it in the donwload area)