

MLFA LAB

Assignment - 4

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Experiment 1

Effect of threshold on Accuracy and Size of Decision Tree:

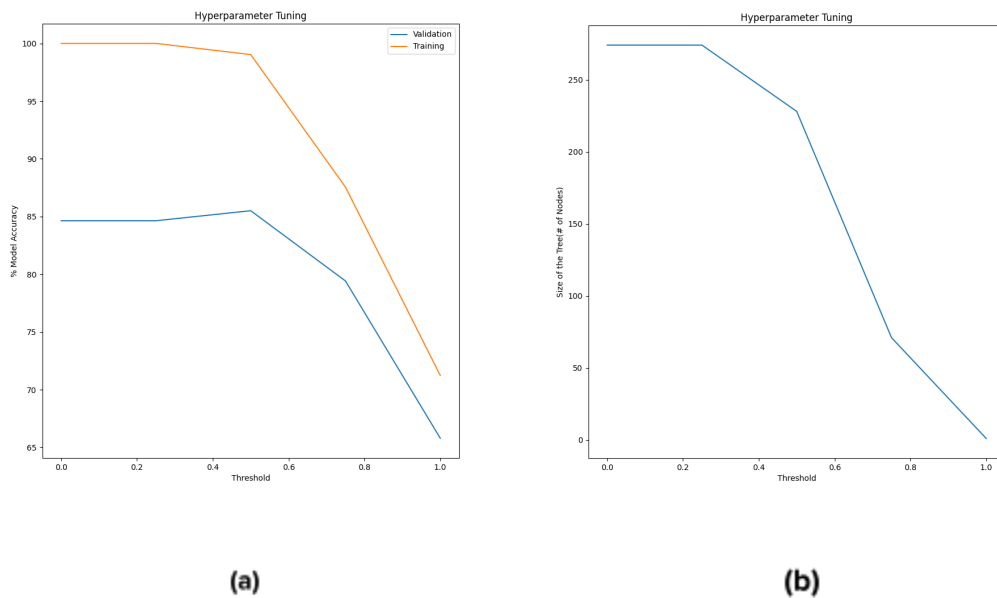


Figure 1: Effect of threshold

Remarks:

1. At low values of threshold, the tree gets very **high accuracy on the training set** and **low accuracy on the validation set**. This is a sign of **Overfitting**.
2. At high values of threshold, **accuracy suffers on both training and validation data**. This is a sign of **Underfitting**.
3. Optimal value of threshold is **0.5 (looking at accuracy alone)**.
4. **Number of nodes reduces with increase in threshold**. This is because the tree becomes **more relaxed**.

Experiment 2

Relationship between **model accuracy** and **branching**:

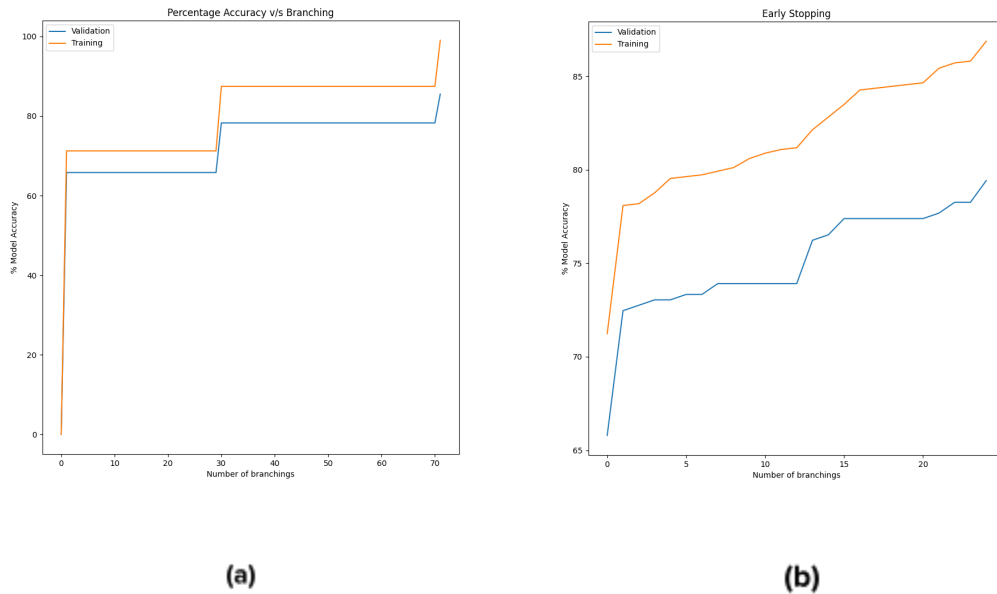


Figure 2: Percentage Accuracy v/s Branching

Percentage Accuracy for the two approaches:

| Set | Early Stopping | Without Early Stopping |
|-----------|----------------|------------------------|
| Train Set | 86.87 | 99.03 |
| Test Set | 84.64 | 89.56 |

Table 1: Percent Accuracy

Remarks:

1. Early Stopping significantly reduces the number of nodes (**228 → 86**).
2. Both the accuracies of the model take a hit. This means that the **data requires a complex model** and **Early Stopping** might work **better** with **smaller threshold values where** we could notice **Overfitting**. Here, Early Stopping simply causes the model to underfit.

Experiment 3

Output for this experiment is very long. I have skipped it in the report but it is printed in a very readable format in the output of the code. I will just put a sample explaining how to read the output.

```
discriminant feature:  Safety
|-- if value: high => discriminant feature:  Persons
|  |-- if value: 2 => class: unacc
|  |-- end
|  |-- if value: 4 => discriminant feature: Price Buying
|     |-- if value: high => class: acc
|     |-- end
|     |-- if value: low => discriminant feature:  Price Maintenance
|        |-- if value: high => class: acc
|        |-- end
|        |-- if value: low => class: vgood
|        |-- end
|        |-- if value: med => class: good
|        |-- end
|        |-- if value: vhigh => class: acc
|        |-- end
|     |-- end
|     |-- if value: med => class: good
|     |-- end
|     |-- if value: vhigh => class: acc
|     |-- end
|-- end
|-- if value: more => class: acc
|-- end
|-- end
|-- if value: low => class: unacc
|-- end
|-- if value: med => class: unacc
|-- end
end
```

Figure 3: Sample Output

This basically translates to the following tree:

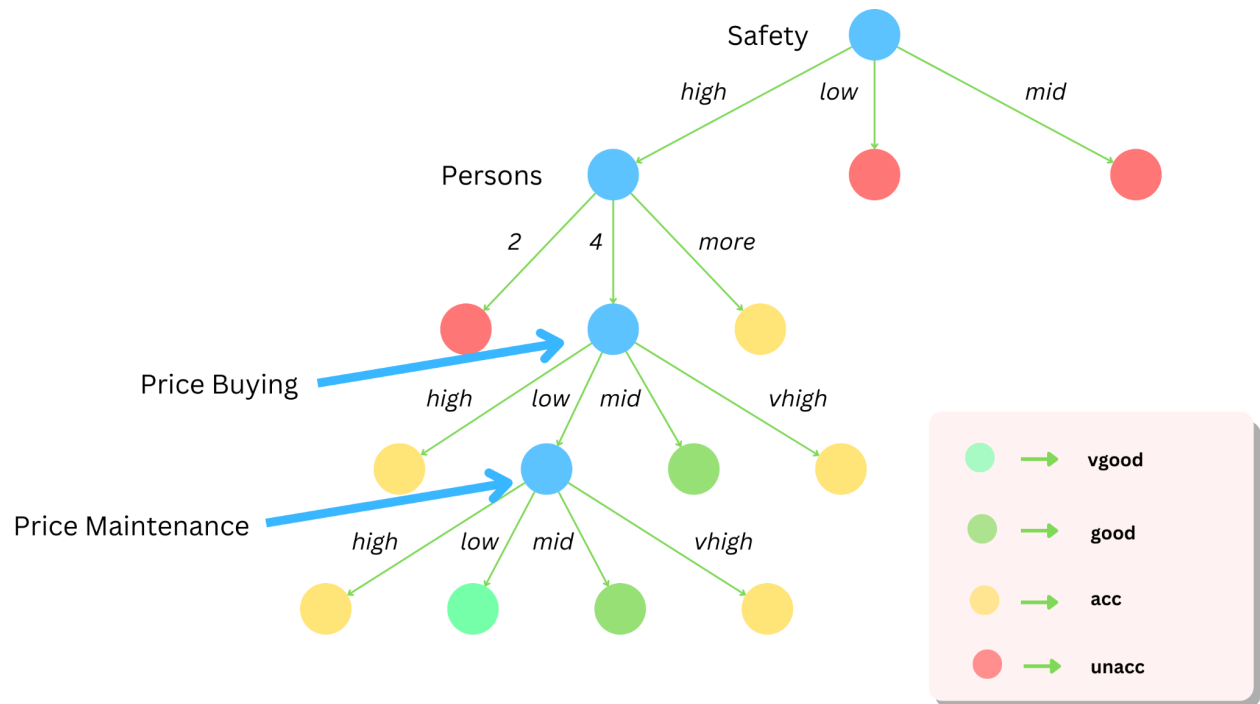


Figure 4: Decision Tree