Decision Support Systems and Business Analytics with R

Section 5: Business Data Analytics

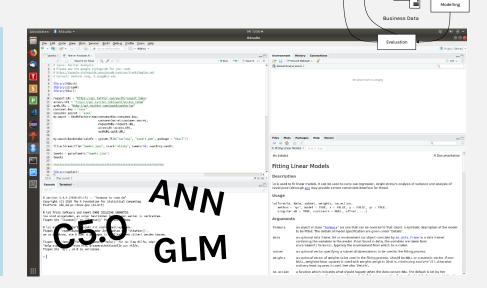


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Business Data Analytics

- ► What activities are related to the modelling phase?
 - Modeling techniques selection and application
 - Parameter calibration and model assessment
- Methods: Regression, classification, association analysis, clustering, time-series forecasting



- Modelling Technique
- Modelling Assumptions

Select Modelling Technique

- Test Design
 - Generate Test Design

- Parameter Settings
- Models
- Model Description

Build Model

- Model Assessment
- Revised Parameter Settings

1. Select Modelling Technique

- Modelling Technique
- Modelling Assumptions

- Select technique
- Identify any built-in assumptions made by the technique about the data
 - **Example**: quality, format, distribution
- Compare these assumptions with those in the Data Description Report and make sure that these assumptions hold.
- Preparation Phase if necessary.

Select Modelling
Technique
Generate Test Design
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Build Model

1. Select modelling technique: Modelling technique

> Record an actually used modeling technique

Deliverables

approppriate technique chosen according to the tool selected

Select Modelling Technique

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1. Select modelling technique: Modelling assumptions

Record specific assumptions for an actually used modeling technique...

Deliverables

 assumptions about the data for an actually used modeling technique and their comparison with the Data description report (task II.2.)

Select Modelling Technique

Generate Test Design

Build Model

2. Generate Test Design

- Describe the intended plan for train, test and evaluate the models.
- How to divide the dataset into training, test and validation sets.
- Decide on necessary steps (number of iterations, number of folds etc.).
- Prepare data required for test.

Select Modelling
Technique

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2. Generate Test Design: Test design

Describe plans for training, testing and evaluating the model.

Deliverables

- existing test designs for the data mining goals
- necessary steps (iterations, folds,...)
- prepared test data

Select Modelling
Technique

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Build Model

3. Build Model

- Parameter Settings
- Models
- Model Description
- Set initial parameters and document reasons for choosing those values.
- Run the selected technique on the input dataset. Postprocess data mining results
 - **Example:** editing rules, display trees
- Record parameter settings used to produce the model
- Describe the model, its special features, behavior and interpretation

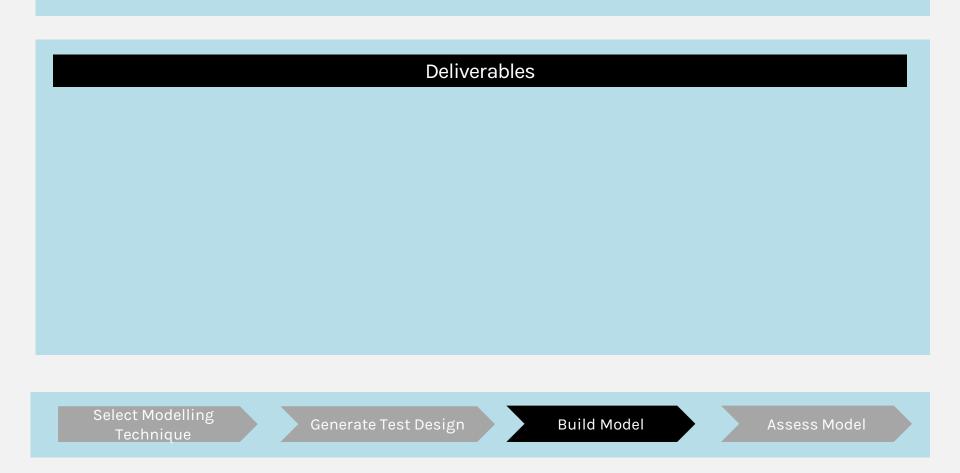
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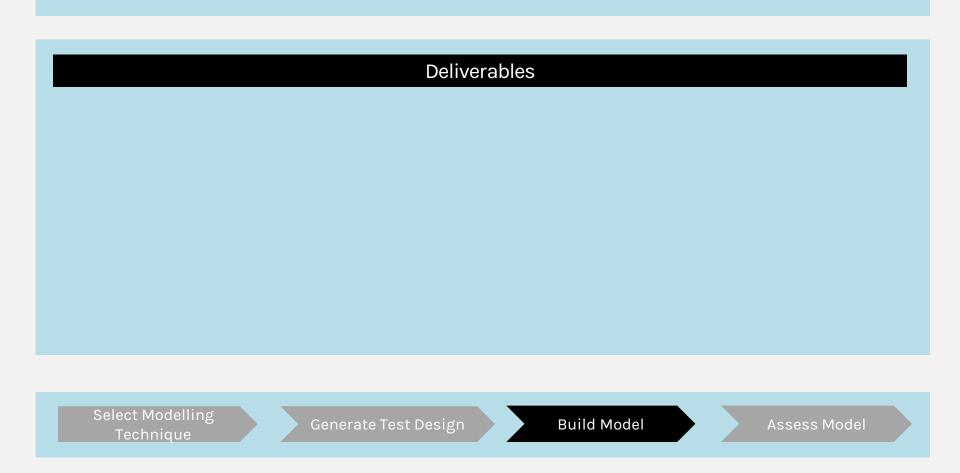
3. Build Model: Parameter setting

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3. Build Model: Models

> Run the selected technique and post-process the results.



3. Build Model: Model description

Describe the resulting model and assessment of its properties.

Deliverables

- characteristics of the model and its parameter settings
- detailed description of the model with technical information
- the interpretation of the model
- conclusions regarding possible patterns in data

Select Modelling
Technique

Generate Test Design

Build Model

4. Assess Model

- Model Assessment
- Revised Parameter Settings
- Evaluate result with respect to evaluation criteria. Rank results with respect to success and evaluation criteria and select best models.
- Interpret results in business terms. Get comments by domain experts.
- Check plausibility of model.
- Check model against given knowledge base. Is the discovered information novel and useful?
- Check result reliability. Analyze potentials for deployment of each result.

Select Modelling Technique

Generate Test Design

Build Model

4. Assess Model: Model assessment

> Summarize the results of this task.

Deliverables

- test results of models acquired, their comparison and interpretation
- best models selected and their interpretation in business terms
- comments from domain experts on reliability, plausability, usefulness and novelty as well as impacts of these models
- analysis of potentials of deployment of these models
- insights why a certain modeling technique leads to good/bad results

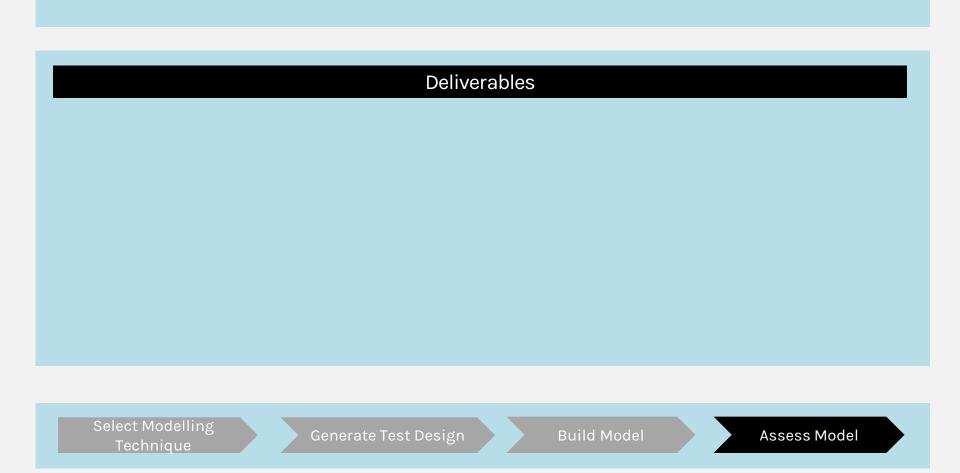
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4. Assess Model: Revised parameter settings

> Adjust parameters to lead to better results.



1.1 Modelling and Analytics

- Use cases in analytics
- Popular modelling techniques

Most common business analytics jobs

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Find Clusters/Outliers

Find Relationships

Predict Classes

Predict Values

Predict Developments

Business Perspective Techniques Are there different types of users Clustering Can we put different products together into Outlier-Analysis distinct/different groups? If a customer buys product A, what does he Association Analysis buy next? Which product sets belong together? Is this customer solvent or not? Decision Trees Will this customer send back this shipping or Logistic Regression Support-Vector Machines not? Does a new label increase the? Regression Is there a relationship between Sales and Support-Vector Machines Commercials?

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How will the value of our products develop?

What future developments are likely?

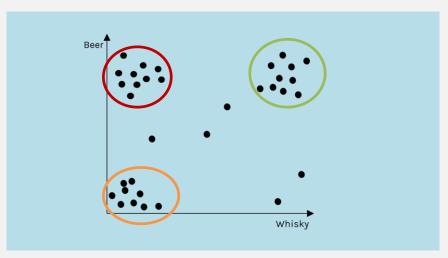
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Clustering

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Association Analysis

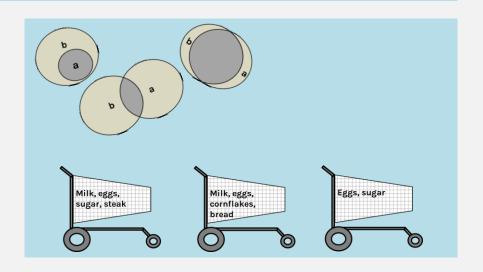
Describes how specific phenomena relate to each other.

- Used to discover interesting regularities between variables
- The uncovered relationships can be represented in form of association rules
- does not consider the order of items either within a transaction or across transactions.

Example:

{Whisky, Potatoes} → {Steak}

Customers buying whisky and potatoes together are also likely to buy a steak.

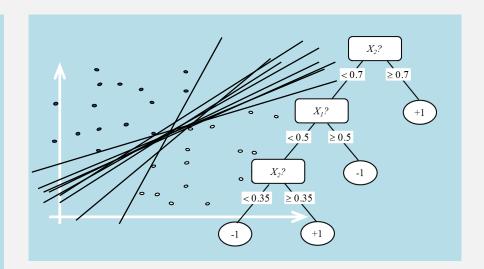


- Shopping basket analysis: Identify customer preferences by finding associations and correlations between different products that customers bought together.
- (Web) Pattern Mining: use multidimensional association rules to identify behavioral patterns based on log files.

Classification

Classify examples into given set of categories

- Technique to categorize data into a desired and distinct number of classes where we can assign label to each class
- The distinct rules can be represented in form of hierarchical models like e.g. decision trees



Example:

Consumer older than 25 years with an income of at least 3200 Euro are creditworthy.

- Predict Customer loyalty: Identify customer preferences by finding associations and correlations between different products that customers bought together.
- Spam Detection: use classification techniques to separate spam emails and non spam email based on old files.

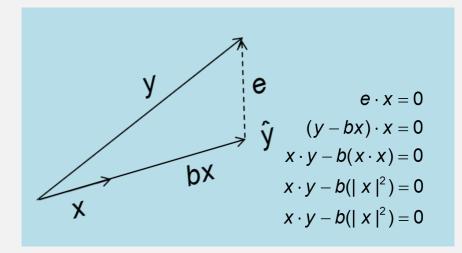
Regression Analysis

Describes how specific phenomena relate to each other.

- Used to predict the value of one variable based on the value of other variables
- Independenten variables can be affected by each other but it does not mean that this dependency is both ways as is the case with correlatin analysis

Example:

How much whisky someone drinks depends on age and income



- Consumer Analysis: Levels of customer statisfaction aftects customer loyalty
- Pricing: How neighbourhood and size affect the listing price of houses
- Matchmaking: Find the love of your life via online dating ;-)

Recommended literature

Wu X et al. (2008)

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SURVEY PAPER

Top 10 algorithms in data mining

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Abstract This paper presents the top 10 data mining algorithms identified by the IEEE International Conference on Data Mining (ICDM) in December 2006: C4.5, k-Means, SVM, Apriori, EM, PageRank, AdaBoost, kNN, Naive Bayes, and CART. These top 10 algorithms are among the most influential data mining algorithms in the research community. With each algorithm, we provide a description of the algorithm, discuss the impact of the algorithm, and review current and further research on the algorithm. These 10 algorithms cover classification,



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1.2 Bias, Variance and Model Performance

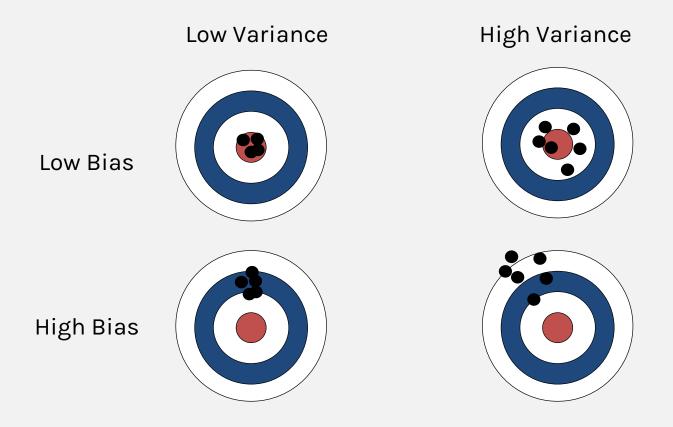
- Bias and variance dilemma
- Estimate model performance
- Data splitting for model evaluation
- Model complexity

Bias and Variance

- Analytics in a nutshell: Build a statistical model to make predictions about your dataset (the reality) with as few errors as possible
- The prediction errors of your final model can be decomposed into two main subcomponents:
 - Error due to Bias: difference between the expected prediction and the true value
 - Error due to Variance: variability of a model prediction for a given data point

What do you think. What is the relationship between error, bias and variance?

Visualization of bias and variance



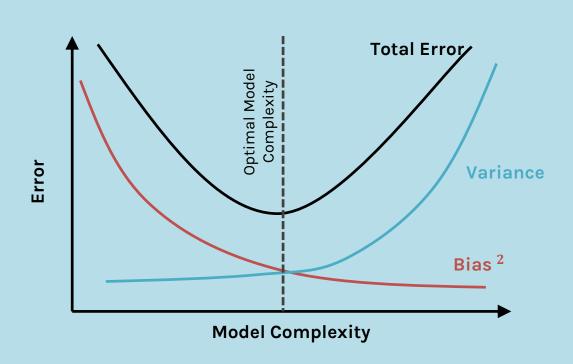
Fitting dilemma

• We have seen bias and variance influence each other: the bias <u>decreases</u> with the complexity of the model, while the variance <u>increases</u> with the complexity of the model

- As a consequence, there are two opposite effects:
 - Underfitting: When the model has high bias and low variance, i.e. is too general (high total error)
 - Overfitting: When the model has low bias and high variance, i.e. is to specific (high total error)

The bias-variance trade-off

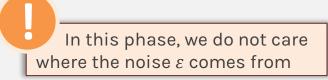
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Noise in sampling

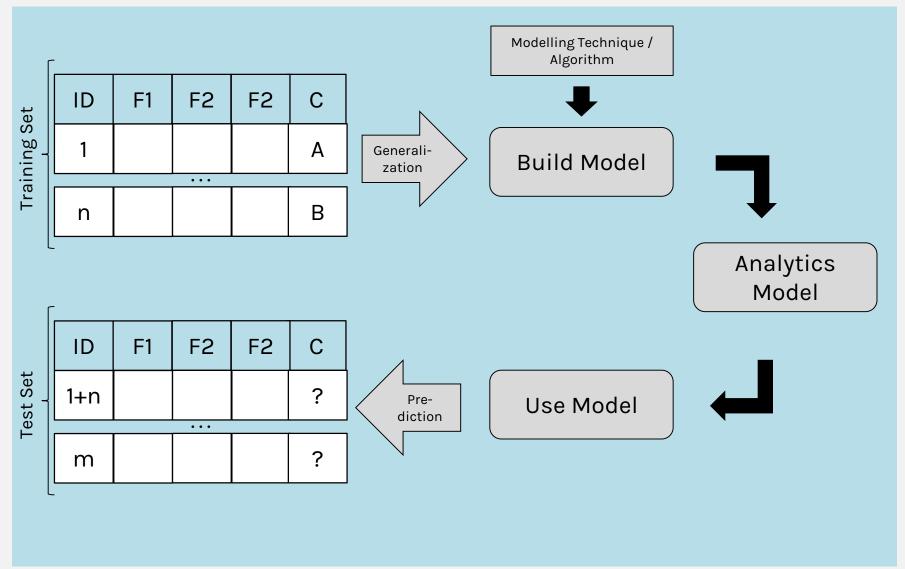
- The error, we discussed on the previous slide deals with errors based on labelled observations. However, the precise value of our labels are often unknown.
- Real-world data is usually noisy, the "real" value is often influenced by its generation or measurement:

$$y = l(x) + \varepsilon$$



 There can be more observations with same attribute values but different labels or the other way round.

A simple approach to measure model's performance



Model accuracy and error measures

Accuracy

Model Accuracy: Measures how far off the predicted value is from the actual known value

Loss Function

Observation: y_t Prediction: \hat{y}_t

Error: $e_t = y_t - \hat{y}_t$

Absolute Error: $|y_t - \hat{y}_t|$ Squared Error: $(y_t - \hat{y}_t)^2$

Accuracy Measures

Measure	Formula
Mean Absolute Error	$MAE = average(e_t)$
Mean Squared Error	$MSE = average(e_t^2)$
Mean Absolute Percentage Error	$MAPE = 100 \cdot average(\left \frac{e_t}{y_t}\right)$
Mean Absolute Scaled Error	$MASE = \frac{MAE}{Q}$

Q: Scaling constant

Accuracy of classification models

In classification problems, the primary source for accuracy estimation is the **confusion matrix**

		True Class		
		Positive	Negative	
Predicted Class	Positive	True Positive Count (TP)	False Positive Count (FP)	
Predicte	Negative	False Negative Count (FN)	True Negative Count (TN)	

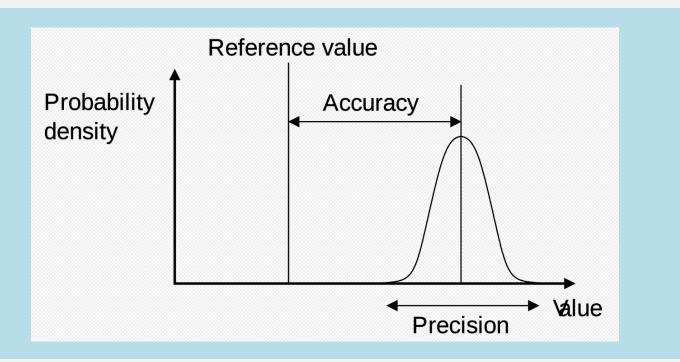
$$Accuracy = \frac{TP + TN}{TP + TN + FP + FN}$$

$$True\ Positive\ Rate = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

$$True\ Negative\ Rate = \frac{TN}{TN + FP}$$

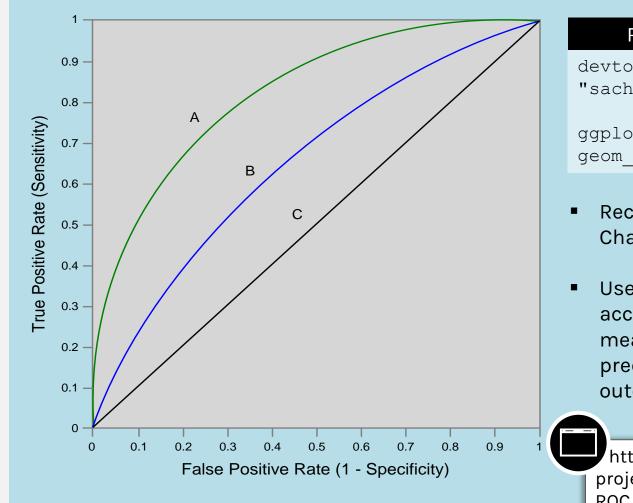
$$Precision = \frac{TP}{TP + FP}$$
 $Recall = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$

Precision and accuracy



- In analytics: bias and variability instead of accuracy and precision
- bias is the amount of inaccuracy and variability is the amount of imprecision.

Visualization of the accuracy - ROC Curve



ROC Curve

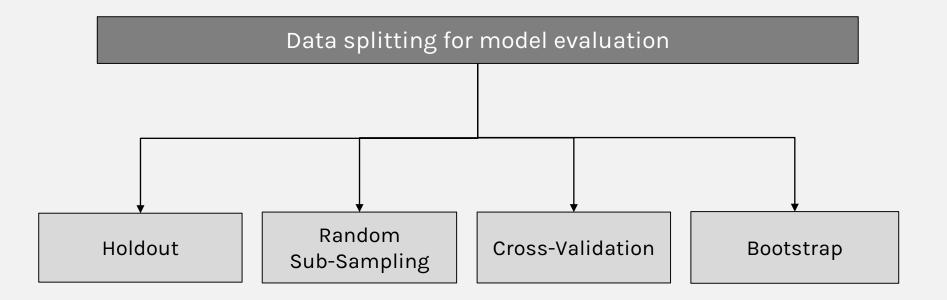
devtools::install_github(
"sachsmc/plotROC")

ggplot(data,) +
geom roc()

- Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC)
- Used to assess the accuracy of a continuous measurement for predicting a binary outcome

https://cran.rproject.org/web/packages/plot ROC/index.html

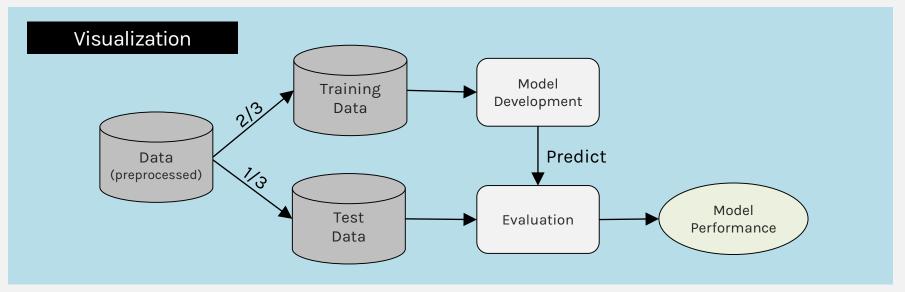
Measure the goodness of a model's prediction



Holdout-Method

Procedure

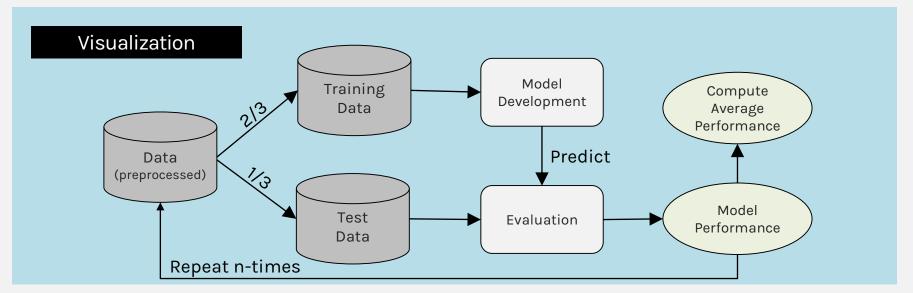
- Split your labelled data into train and test set, Build your model based on train set, and measure the performance based on the test set
- In problems where we have a sparse dataset we may not be able to afford the "luxury" of setting aside a portion of the dataset for testing
- Since it is a single train-and-test experiment, the holdout estimate of error rate will be misleading if we happen to get an "unfortunate" split



Random Sub-Sampling

Procedure

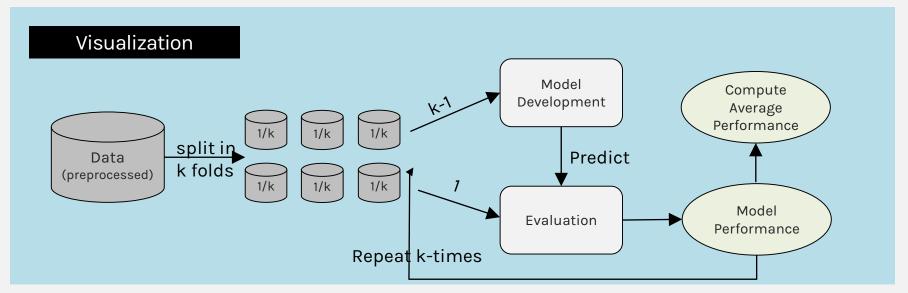
- Repeated holdout with different samples, but measure the average performance
- Multiple models, where you can choose from
- Same disadvantages then simple holdout
- No control how often an observation is used for model building



K-fold Cross-Validation

Procedure

- Split data into k same-sized samples, use k-1 samples for training, and 1 for testing. Each observation is used the same time for training
- Benefit is that it uses as many model building examples as possible and test sets disjunct
- High complexity of the process (k-runs), reliability of the performance statement is weakened, since these statements are derived from only one example.



Bootstrap

- In the previous procedures, an example was considered several times as a training example (in the same cycle).
- Here a training set is generated by random selection from the entire set of classified examples (Sampling with replacement).
- I.e. an observation can occur several times in the training set with a certain probability.
- Probability to be chosen is 1-(1-1/N) ^N
- for N against infinity this value converges to 1-1/e = 0,632

Model complexity

 We talked a lot about errors and increasing accuracy adjusting your model based on different performance measurement and sampling techniques, but there is also an other side...

- Problem: What do you do when your model your model starts overfitting?
- Solution: Consider the model complexity in your evaluation of the model

Occam's Razor

 If you have two models with the same generalization error, the simpler model (with fewer nodes, elements, predictors, etc.) is preferable.

Pessimistic Error Rate $e_g(T)$

- Example: Decision tree
- To the sum of all misclassifications $e(t_i)$ at the leaf nodes above the training data one adds a malus ("penalty") $\Omega(t_i)$ for each leaf node t_i in the tree and refers the result to the number of observations in the training data.

$$e_g(T) = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{k} [e(t_i) + \Omega(t_i)]}{\sum_{i=1}^{k} n(t_i)} = \frac{e(T) + \Omega(T)}{N_i}$$

Minimum Description Length Principle

 For each misclassification a measure is added to the binary coding to punish the complexity of the model.

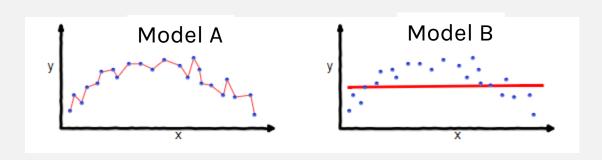
$$cost(fit, data) = cost(data|fit) + cost(fit)$$

Example: for 16 observations (4 bits) and 3 errors, cost (data | fit) = 3*4 = 12

Mostly used for decision trees

Your turn!

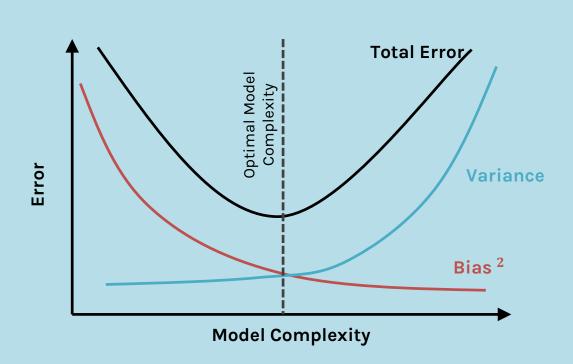
Please take a look at the following visualizations. Discuss with your neighbor: which one of the following models has the highest / lowest variance / bias.



How would a model with a good balance between variance and bias look like?

The bias-variance trade-off

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1.3 Clustering

- Basic concept of clustering
- Measuring, metrics and similarity
- Clustering techniques

Most common business analytics jobs

Problem	Business Perspective	Techniques	
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Predict Developments	 How will the value of our products develop? What future developments are likely? 	■ Time-Series Forecasting	

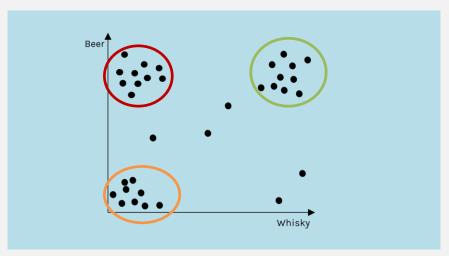
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Use Cases:

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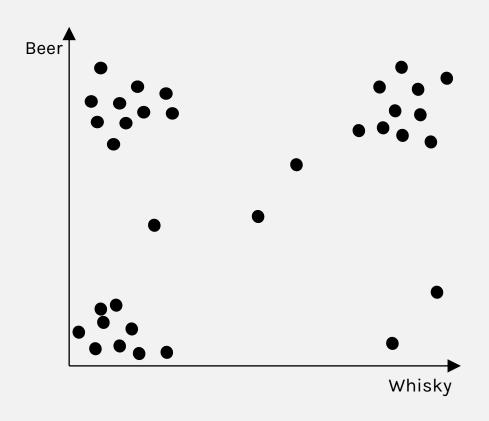
What is clustering about?

- Grouping a set of data objects into clusters
- Cluster: a collection of data objects, similar to one another within the same cluster, and dissimilar to the objects in other clusters
- Clustering = unsupervised "classification" (no predefined classes)
- Typical usage in analytics:
 - As a stand-alone tool to get insight into data distribution
 - As a preprocessing step for other algorithms

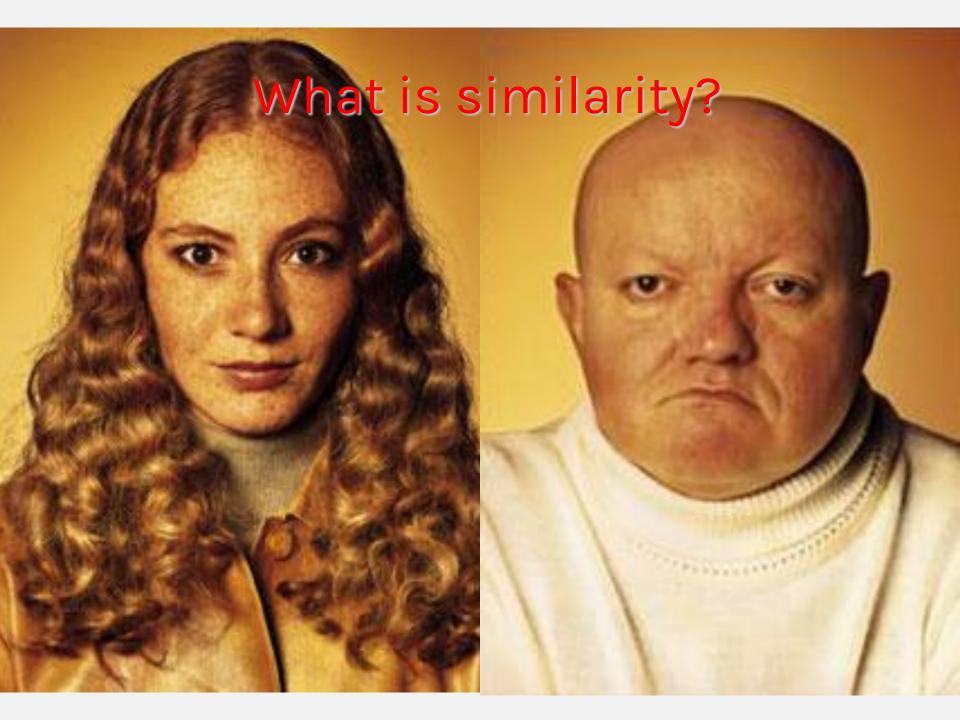
Consumer clustering

Identify groups of items which are similar to each other

■ Example: Dominik's Liquor Bar

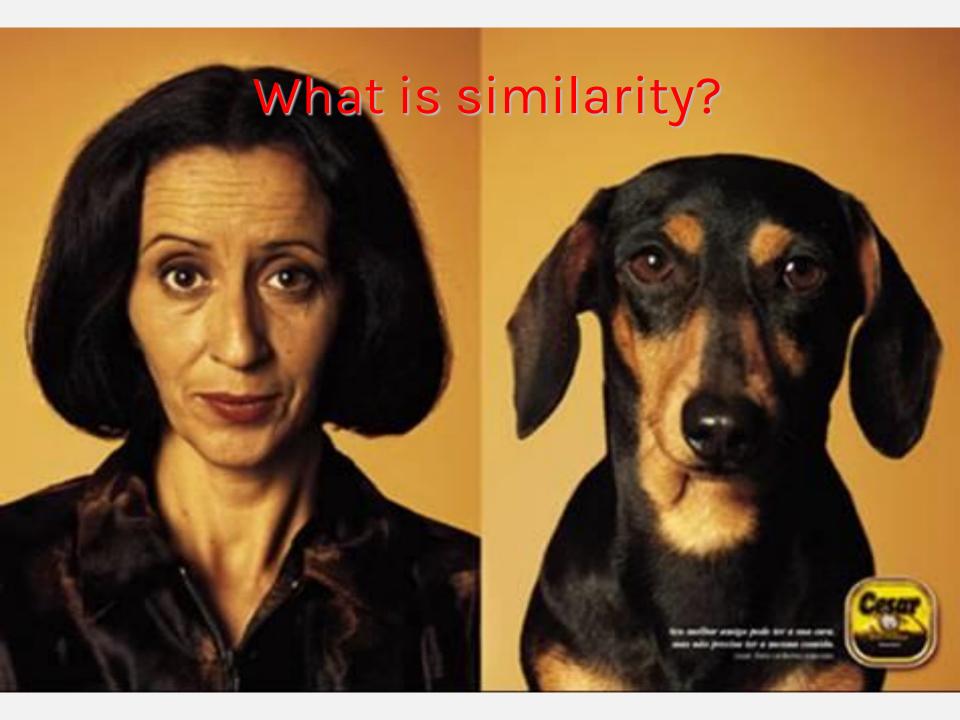


But what is similarity?

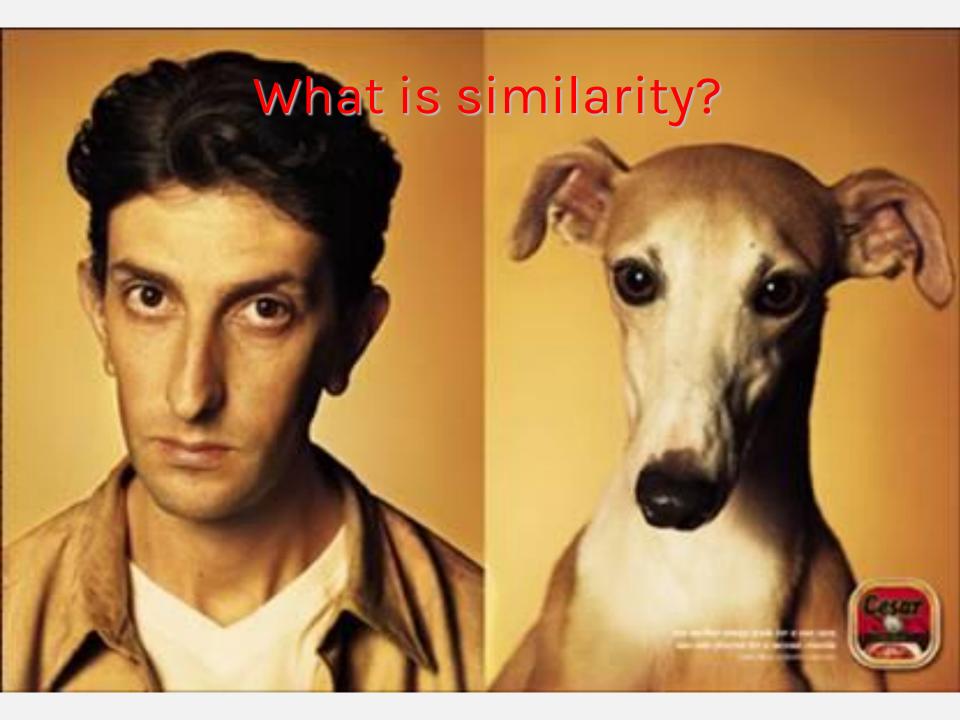


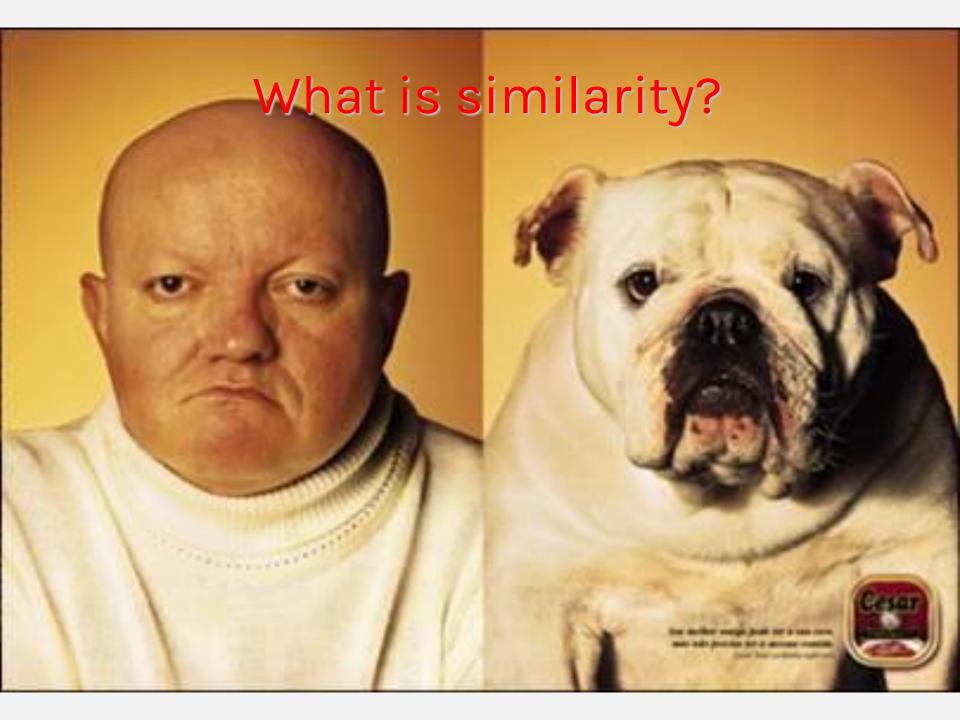






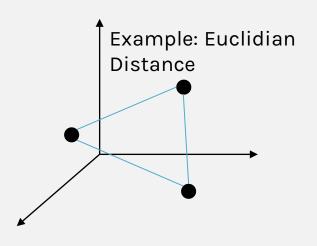






Definition of a metric

- Nonnegativity: $\forall xy$: $d(x,y) \ge 0$
- Symmetry: d(x,y) = d(y,x); s(x,y) = s(y,x)
- Triangle inequity: $d(x,z) \le d(x,y) + d(y,z)$
- Reflexivity: d(x,y) = 0 if f(x,y) = 0.



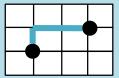
Minkowski Distance

$$d(x,y) = \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} |x_k - y_k|^r\right)^{\frac{1}{r}}$$

Generalization of Euclidian Distance

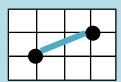
Mannhatten Distance

- r=1
- Named Cityblock distance, or L₁-norm
- For binary attributes also named
 Hamming Distance
- Sum of distance about all dimensions1...n



Euclidian Distance

- r=2
- L_2 -norm
- For numeric variables (ordinal or rational)
- Describes the geometric distance between two points



Supremum

- $r = \infty$
- L_{∞} -norm
- Biggest difference in the dimensions

Difference L1 and L2 norm

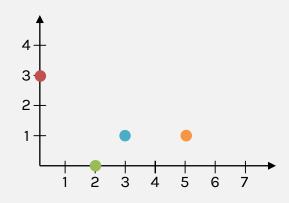
- L_1 : Impact of a difference proportial to difference itself
- L_2 : Higher relative impact of larger distances!
 - **Example**: x = (3,3), y = (4,5)
 - L1 norm distance: |3-4|+|3-5|=1+2=3
 - L2 norm distance: $\sqrt{|3-4|^2+|3-5|^2} = \sqrt{1+4} = 2.2$
- L₂ norm is smaller than L₁ but the individual difference has more relative weight

Your turn!

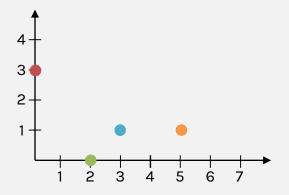
Task

Please compute the Mankowski distances $(L_1, L_2, \text{ and } L_3)$ for the following dataset:

Observation	х	Υ
•	0	2
•	2	0
•	3	1
•	5	1

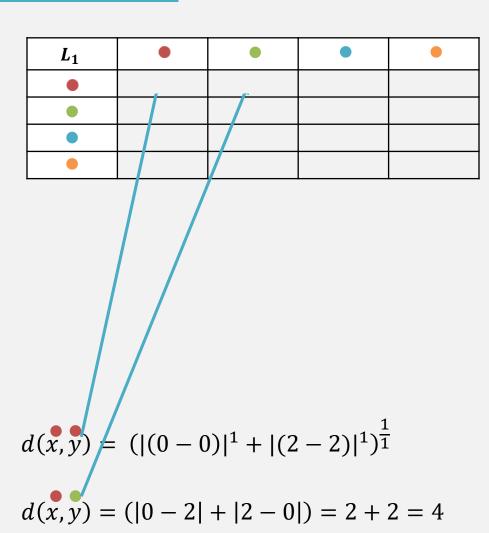


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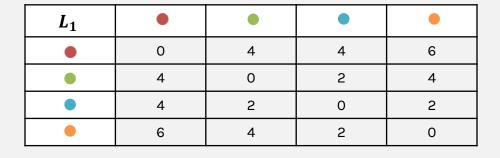


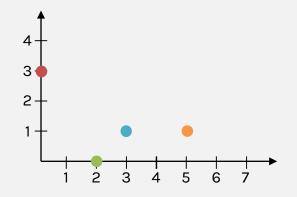
$$d(x,y) = \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} |x_k - y_k|^r\right)^{\frac{1}{r}}$$





Observation	х	Y
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•	3	1
	5	1





L ₂	•		•	•
•	0	2.828	3.162	5.099
	2.828	0	1.414	3.162
•	3.162	1.414	0	2
•	5.099	3.162	2	0

		1
	$\sqrt{\frac{n}{n}}$	\overline{r}
d(x,y) =	$\left(\sum x_k - y_k ^r \right)$	
u(x,y) –	$\sum_{k} x_k - y_k $	
	$\sqrt{k=1}$	

L ₃	•	•	•	•
•	0	2	3	5
	2	0	1	3
•	3	1	0	2
	5	3	2	0

Beyond Minkowski

Binary Objects

- Simple Matching Coefficient (SMC)
- Jaccard Coefficient

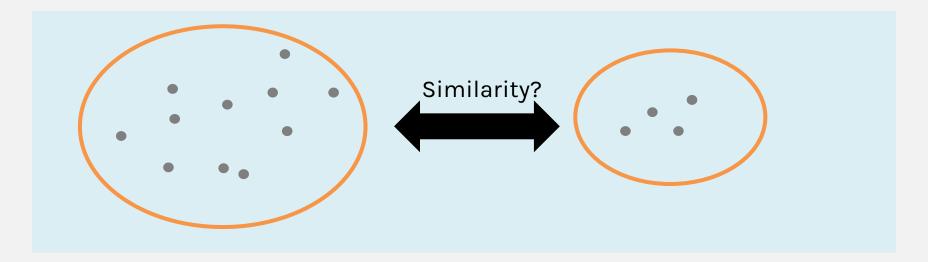
Correlation

- Pearson
- Speerman

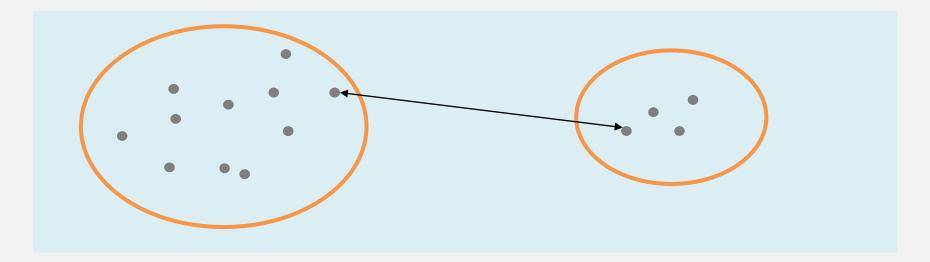
You find a comprehensive overview of further similarity concepts at "Cha, S. H. (2007). Comprehensive survey on distance/similarity measures between probability density functions"

Vectors

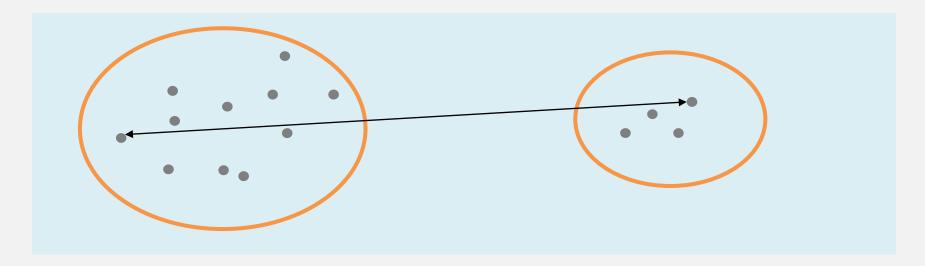
- Simple Matching
- CosinusCoefficient
- Dice Coefficient
- TanimotoCoefficient
- Overlap Coefficient



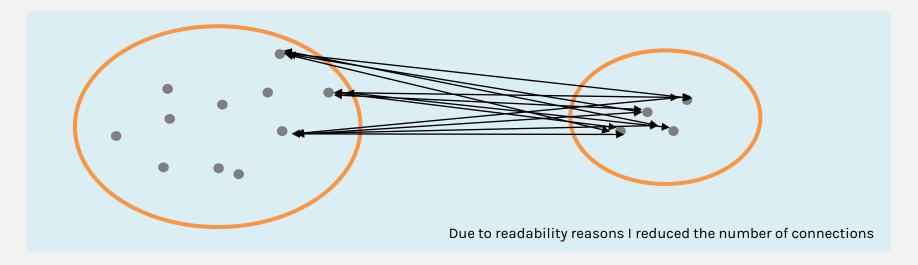
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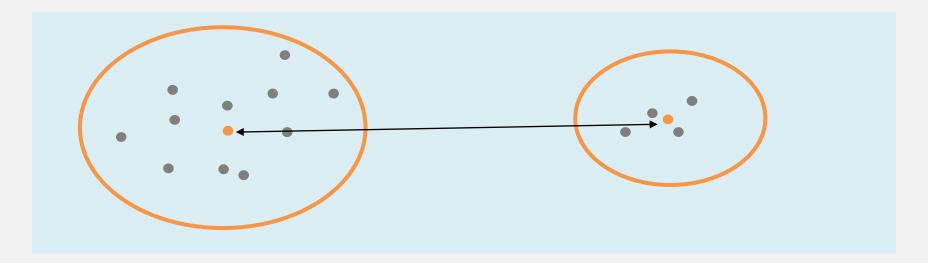
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Cluster Similarity: Ward's Method

- Similarity of two clusters is based on the increase in squared error when two clusters are merged
 - Similar to group average if distance between points is distance squared
- Less susceptible to noise and outliers
- Biased towards globular clusters
- Hierarchical analogue of K-means
- Can be used to initialize K-means

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Partitioning Clustering: Basic Concept

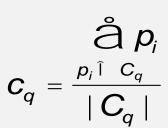
- Approach: Group objects into a subset of clusters minimizing an objective function
- Problem: Exhaustively enumerating all possible partitions into k sets in order to find the global minimum is too expensive.

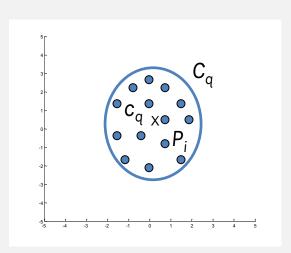


Heuristics

centroid and radius of a cluster

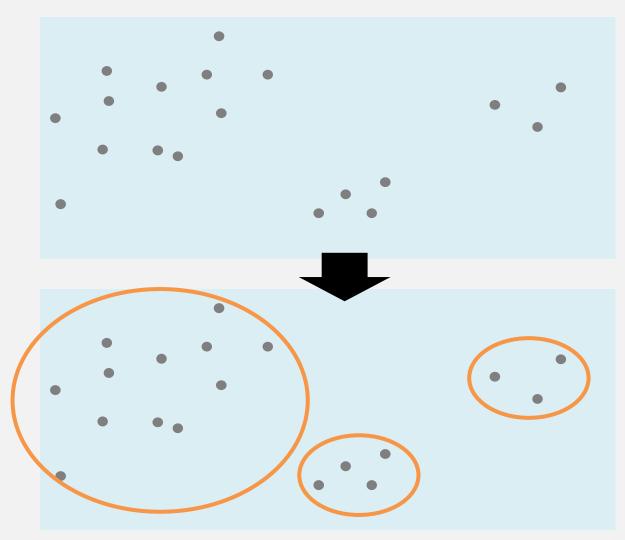
- Centroid c_q : "middle" of cluster C_q
- compute centroid c_q of C_q per dim. as:
- Cluster radius: square root of average squared distance from any point of the cluster to centroid
- That is what we want to minimize (over all clusters)





$$R_q = \sqrt{\frac{\mathop{\aa}_{p_i \,\widehat{l} \, C_q}}{|C_q|}}$$

Partitioning



Initialization:

Choose k representatives for clusters, e.g., randomly

Repeat:

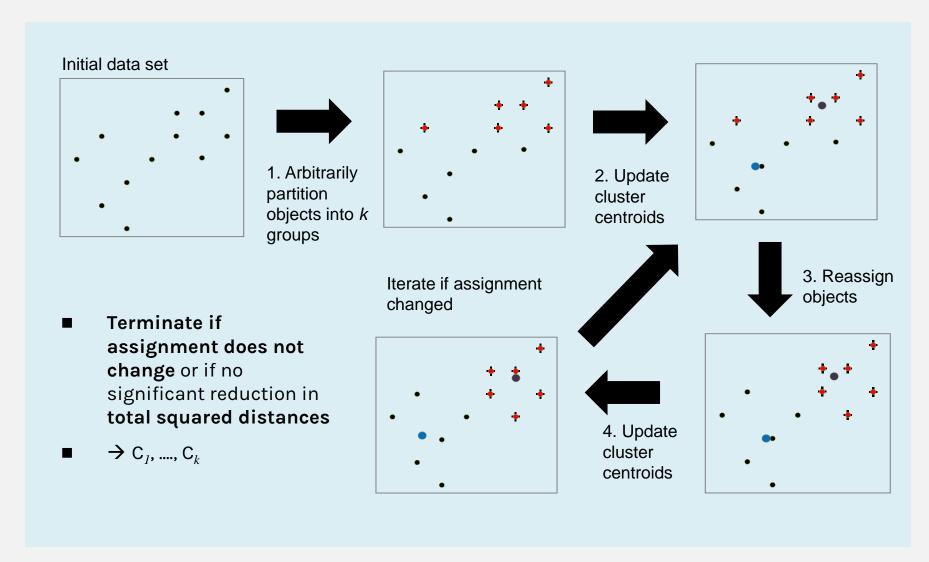
- Assign each object to the cluster it "fits best" in the current clustering
- Compute new cluster representatives based on these assignments
- Repeat until the change in the objective function from one iteration to the next drops below a threshold

Partitioned Clustering (k-Means)

- Given a set of observations $(x_1, ..., x_n)$, k-means clustering aims to partition the n observations into $k \le n$ sets $S = \{S_1, ..., S_k\}$ so as to minimize the within-cluster sum of squares and use the centroid of a cluster as representative
- Or more formally:

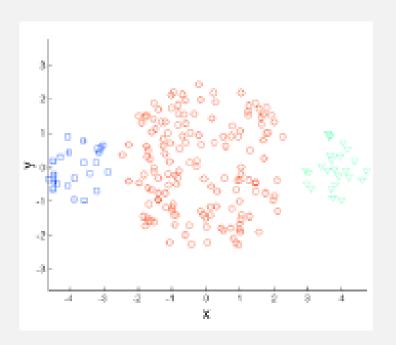
$$\arg\min_{S} \sum_{j=1}^{k} \sum_{x_i \in S_j} \|x_i - \overline{m}_j\|^2.$$

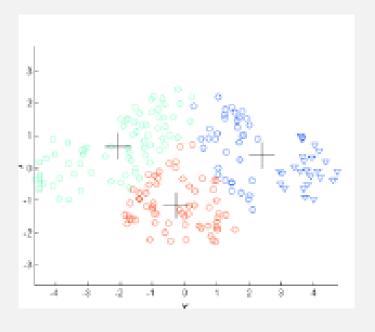
Example k-means clustering with k = 2



Problems with kmeans

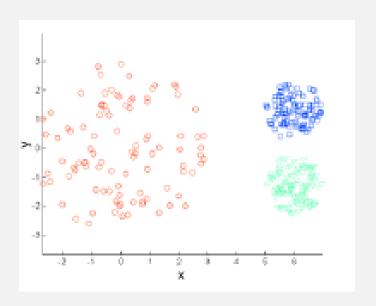
Large natural clusters tend to be scattered by kmeans

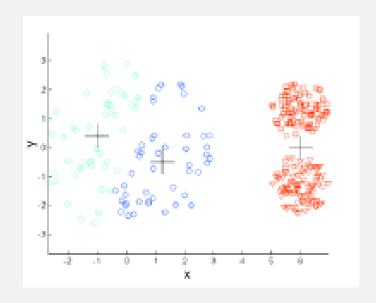




Problems with kmeans

Natural clusters are also not always found due to their density





K-medoid, k-modes, k-median

- Problems with K-Means:
 - Applicable only when mean is defined
 - Outliers have a strong influence on the result
- The influence of outliers is intensified by the use of the squared error use the absolute error (total distance instead): $TD(C) = \sum_{p \in C} dist(p, m_c)$ and $TD(C) = \sum_{C \in C} TD(C_i)$
- Three alternatives:
 - Medoid: representative object "in the middle"
 - Mode: value that appears most often
 - Median: (artificial) representative object "in the middle"

Clustering with kmeans in **R**

kmeans()

kmeans(x, centers=x, iter.max=100, algorithm="Lloyd")

Parameters

x (Input)	Numeric matrix or data frame that can be coerced to such a matrix (data frame with all numeric colums)
centers	Either the number of clusters, say k, or a set of initial distinct cluster centers
iter.max	The maximum number of iterations allowed
algorithm	Options available are: Hartigan-Wong, Lloyd, Forgy, or MaxQueen

kmeans output

```
> fit
K-means clustering with 3 clusters of sizes 7, 62, 17
Cluster means:
       Body Sweetness
                         Smoky Medicinal
                                           Tobacco
                                                         the coordinates of the
1 1.4604351 -1.2019264 2.1927500 2.6224854 1.854632
                                                            cluster centers
2 0.1330391 0.3592557 -0.1150977 -0.2424769 -0.1605354
3 -1.0865570 -0.8153156 -0.4831291 -0.1955193 -0.1781902
Clustering vector:
                     9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34
                                          3 2
                                               2 3 3
35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68
69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86
1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 1 3 2 2 3 2 3 2 2
Within cluster sum of squares by cluster:
                                                                        the cluster of each value of the
                                      sum of squared
[1] 31.29875 164.44759 46.64205
                                                                                  input data
 (between_SS / total_SS = 43.0 %)
                                           errors
Available components:
[1] "cluster"
                                           "withinss"
                                                        "tot.withinss" "betweenss"
                 "centers"
                              "totss"
[7] "size"
                "iter"
                              "ifault"
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k-means summary

- k-means is fast, simple, and the most widely used clustering algorithm
- However, k-means not guaranteed to find the optimal solution
- Invoking algorithm using variety of initial cluster centers improves probability of achieving best result

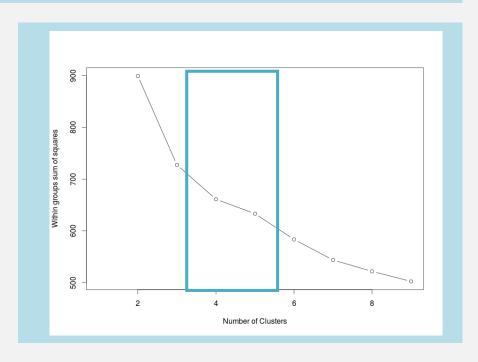
But: What is an appropriate value for k?

- Potential problem for applying k-means
- Analyst may have a priori knowledge of k
- Or: Cycling through different *k* values, selecting "best" solution
- Or: Hierarchical Clustering might help here!

Elbow criterion

► Choose a number of clusters so that adding another cluster doesn't give much better modeling of the data

```
ssplot = function(data, maxCluster = 9) {
   SSw = vector()
   for (i in 2:maxCluster) {
       SSw[i] = sum(kmeans(data, centers = i)$withinss)
   }
   plot(1:maxCluster, SSw, type = "b",
xlab = "Number of Clusters", ylab =
"Within groups sum of squares")
}
# Plot the Sum of Squares
ssplot(whiskies_k)
```



- Run k-means clustering on the dataset for a range of values of k (say, k from 1 to 10 in the examples above)
- For each value of k calculate the sum of squared errors (SSE)
- Plot a line chart of the SSE for each value of k
- If the line chart looks like an arm, then the "elbow" on the arm is the value of k that is the best

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Hierarchical Clustering

 Do not have to assume any particular number of clusters

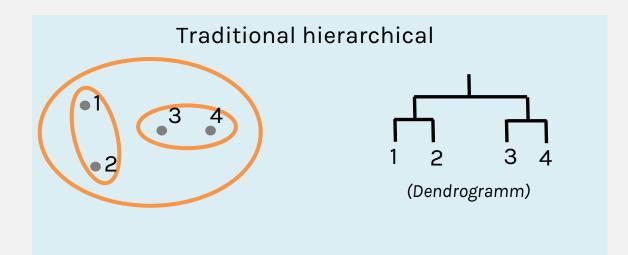
- Any desired number of clusters can be obtained by 'cutting' the dendrogram at the proper level
- They may correspond to meaningful taxonomies
- Example in biological sciences (e.g., animal kingdom, phylogeny reconstruction, ...)

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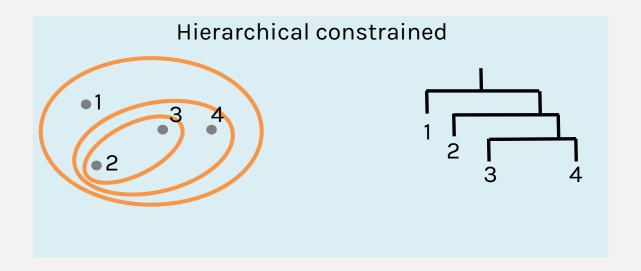
- Method of cluster analysis which seeks to build a hierarchy of clusters
 - Agglomerative: "bottom up" approach; each observation starts in its own cluster, and pairs of clusters are merged as one moves up the hierarchy
 - Divisive: "top down" approach; all observations start in one cluster, and splits are performed recursively as one moves down the hierarchy
- Traditional hierarchical algorithms use a similarity or distance matrix

Merge or split one cluster at a time

Hierarchical Clustering



- Produces a set of nested clusters organized as hierarchical tree
- Can be visualized as a dendogram



Procedure

- Basic algorithm is straightforward
 - 1.Compute the proximity matrix
 - 2.Let each data point be a cluster
 - 3.Repeat
 - 4.Merge the two closest clusters
 - 5.Update the proximity matrix
 - 6. Until only a single cluster remains
- Key operation is the computation of the proximity of two clusters
- Different approaches to defining the distance between clusters distinguish the different algorithms

1.4 Association Analysis

- Frequent item sets
- Association rules
- Association rule learning

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Association rule learning

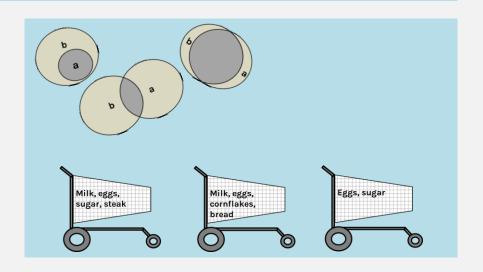
> Describes how specific phenomena relate to each other.

- Used to discover interesting regularities between variables
- The uncovered relationships can be represented in form of association rules
- does not consider the order of items either within a transaction or across transactions.

Example:

{Whisky, Potatoes} → {Steak}

Customers buying whisky and potatoes together are also likely to buy a steak.



Use Cases:

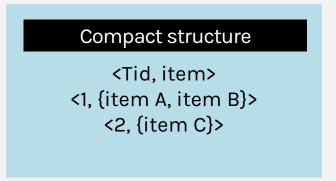
- Shopping basket analysis: Identify customer preferences by finding associations and correlations between different products that customers bought together.
- (Web) Pattern Mining: use multidimensional association rules to identify behavioral patterns based on log files.

Frequent item sets: data structure

- Item: one single item
- Item set: a set of single items
- k-item set: An item set that contains k items

Transaction:

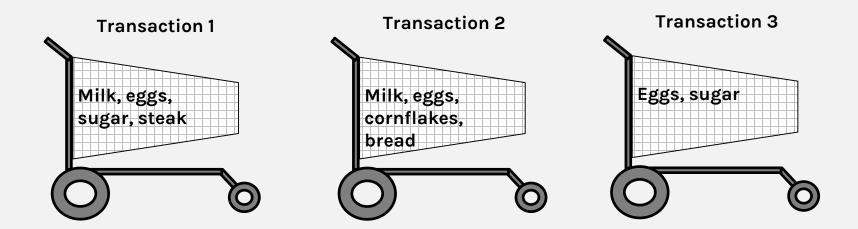
Relational structure <Tid, item> <1, item A> <1, item B> <2, item C>



 In shopping basket analysis, the items are the goods; a transaction is a single purchase; the term transaction has nothing to do with the classic database concept.

Frequent item sets

Example: Basket analysis



- Support of an item set I:
 - Number of transactions containing item
- Minimum support σ :
 - Support Threshold



Example: Frequent item set

Transaction ID	Items
1	Whisky, lemon
2	Whisky, lemon, cucumber
3	Whisky
4	Lemon, chips

Support:

- Support(whisky) = 3 (75%)
- Support(lemon) = 3 (75%)
- Support (whisky, lemon) = 2 (50%)



Support (item set)

Fraction of transactions that contain an itemset

- *If* $\sigma = 60\%$, then:
 - {whisky} and {lemon} are frequent, but {whisky, lemon} is not

Consideration: Support and item sets

- A specific frequent item set is maximal, iff. it is not a subset of another frequency item set
- It is only necessary to explicitly generate the maximal frequency item sets in order to know the frequency item sets.

 <u>Does not apply to Association Rules</u> (we will come to that later)

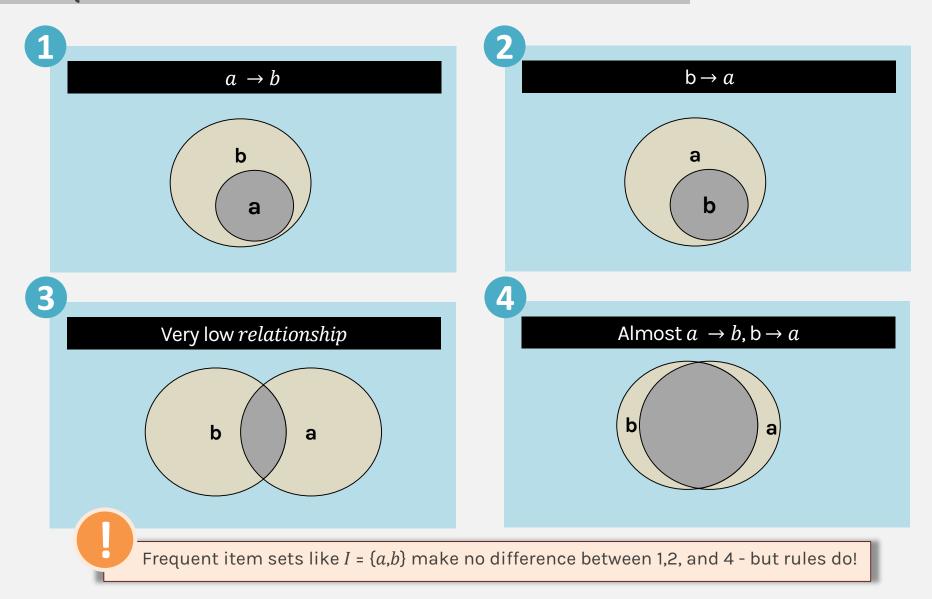
Expansion of frequent itemsets

- Association rule: an implication expression of the form X → Y, where X and Y are item sets.
- They are represented in the form of two-sided rules

$$LHS \rightarrow RHS$$
 [support, confidence]

- the left-hand side (LHS) implies the right-hand side (RHS), with a given value of support and confidence
- suport and confidence are measures of the quality of a given rule

Frequent itemsets and association rules



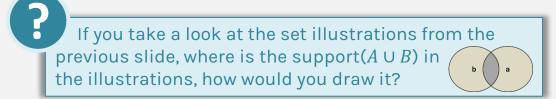
Selection criteria for association rules

- Given two item sets A and B,
- and the association (rule) $A \rightarrow B[s,c]$
- D

s: support of $A \rightarrow B = support (A \cup B)$

- Number of sets containing A and B.
- Support was already defined for sets, is now defined for rules
- **D**

c: confidence of $A \to B = \frac{support (A \cup B)}{support (A)}$



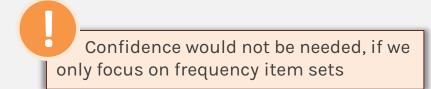
Selection criteria for association rules

- Selection criteria:
 - a) Minimum support: σ
 - b) Minimum confidence: γ
- We are interested in rules with $S > \sigma$, and $c > \gamma$

Support and confidence

- Support: Frequency of the rule in the number of transactions.
- $support(A \rightarrow B [s, c]) = support(A \cup B)$

- Confidence: Proportion of transactions with A, which also contain B
- $confidence(A \rightarrow B [s, c]) = p(B|A) = \frac{p(A \cap B)}{p(A)}$
- Support indicates how often a rule exists in the database
- Confidence indicates if the rules is true or not



Example: support and confidence

Transaction ID	Items
1	Whisky, lemon
2	Whisky, lemon, cucumber
3	Whisky
4	Lemon, chips

- Frequent item set: Fraction of transactions that contain an itemset.
 - Support(whisky, lemon) = $\frac{2}{5}$
- Association rule: Fraction of transactions that contain both X and Y.
 - Support (whisky \rightarrow lemon) = $\frac{2}{5}$
 - Confidence(whisky \rightarrow lemon) = $\frac{\frac{2}{5}}{\frac{3}{5}} = \frac{2}{3}$

Classroom task

Your turn!

Task

Please calculate the support and confidence for the following rules

- $chips \rightarrow cheese$
- $cheese \rightarrow whisky$
- sausages → ice cream

$$support\ of\ A \to B = (A\ \cup\ B)$$

$$confidence\ of\ A \to B = \frac{support\ (A\ \cup\ B)}{support\ (A)}$$

ID Items

- T1 {sausages, ice cream, whisky}
- T2 {ice cream, whisky}
- T3 {chips, cheese}
- T4 {sausages, whisky, cheese}
- T5 {whisky, chips, cheese}

Classroom task

Rule	Confidence	Support
$chips \rightarrow cheese$	100 %	40 %
cheese → whisky	66.6 %	40 %
sausages → ice cream	50%	20 %

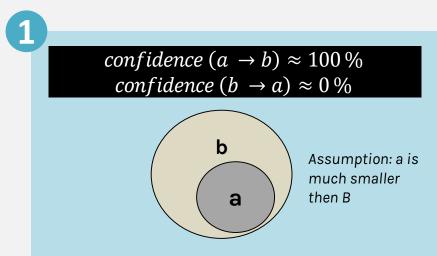
Why there is a difference between chips → cheese, and cheese → chips?

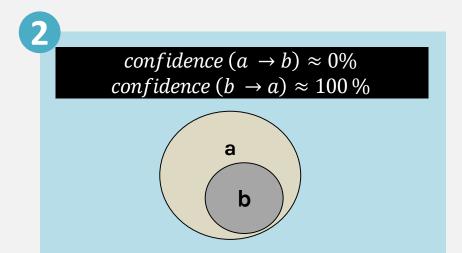
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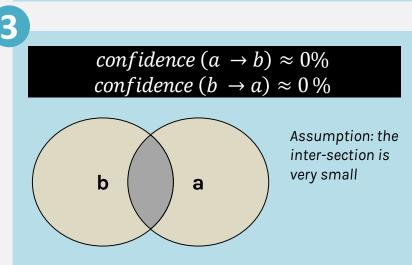
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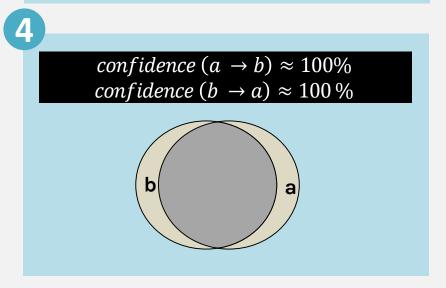
- Minimum support σ
 - High: few frequent item sets, few frequent rules
 - Low: many true rules, but they are not frequent
- Minimum confidence: γ
 - High: few rules, but mostly true
 - Low: many rules, but they are probably not true
- Best-Practice:
 - a) $\sigma = 2 10 \%$
 - b) $\gamma = 70 90 \%$

Visualization of association rules









Recapitulation

- If everyone buys whisky and beer together, then the association rule "bear → whisky" has...
 - a) High support
 - b) High confidence
- If the customers stop to buy whisky, then the confidence is reduced

Misleading association rules

- However, an association rule that satisfies the minimum support s and the minimum confidence c does not necessarily need to be interesting!
 - **Example**: Customer buy beer and then whisky with $support(beer \rightarrow whisky = 0.45)$, buy whisky with support(whisky) = 0.75, and beer with support(beer) = 0.6. Then, confidence (beer $\rightarrow whisky = \frac{0.45}{0.6} = 0.75$).
- The confidence in the example is exactly as large as the support of whisky. It does not make any statement about the association between beer and whisky and reflects only the support(whisky).

A further measure of interestingness: lift

 One way to address this problem is by applying a measure known as lift

$$lift(A \to B) = \frac{confidence(A \to B)}{support(B)} = \frac{support(A \cup B)}{support(A) \cdot support(B)}$$

- The lift compares the frequency of a pattern against a baseline frequency computed under the statistical independence assumption.
- The lift describes the correlation between binary items (> 1 positive correlation, <1 negative correlation, 1 no correlation)
- The lift is a symmetric measure: $lift(A \rightarrow B) = lift(B \rightarrow A)$

Interpretation

Given the rule {Cola, Chips} → {Crushed Ice}
 has a lift of 1.25

Then compared to item sets that are statistically independent of the crushed ice, we expect crushed ice to appear 25 % more often in item sets that contain cola and chips

Problems with lift

- The lift is sensitive with respect to the support of the items.
- Rare sets of items could generate high values of lift.
 - **Example**: suppose the rule $\{vegan\ chips\} \rightarrow \{Junglivet\ Whisky\}$ has a support $(vegan\ chips\ \cup\ Junglivet\ Whisky) = 0.01$, then $lift(vegan\ chips\ \rightarrow\ ice\ cream) = 4$
- One may think that this is an interesting rule, but only a very small number of customers buy vegan pizza.
- A marketing plan to encourage vegan pizza buyers to purchase Junglivet might not have a high impact.

Association rules in Business Analytics

- Extraction of information from consumer behavior
- Derive recommendations for e.g.
 - different layout of shops
 - other arrangement of the products
 - Change in product sortiments
 - Special offers
- Can be used to find behavioral patterns in other areas
 - a) Credit card and transaction mining
 - b) Services from telecommunication provider
 - c) Finance and FinTech
 - d) Medical treatments
 - e) Web Analytics

Finding association rules

AIS algorithm (Agrawal, Imielinski and Swami, 1993)

- The first algorithm for generating simple association rules.
- The potentially frequent sets are generated and counted "on the fly" by scanning the database (very computationally intensive).

SETM algorithm (Houtsma and Swami, 1993)

- Motivation: Use SQL to search for association rules.
- The potential sets (analogous to the AIS algorithm) are generated based on transformations of the database.
- The list of candidates is a separate step.

Disadvantages of AIS and SETM:

- The superfluous generation and enumeration of candidates, who later turn out to be not frequent
- for the rest of my life.

Apriori Algorithm

Rakesh Agrawal and Ramakrishnan Srikant (1994)

 The Apriori algorithm for finding strong association rules is an iterative algorithm that is based on the Apriori principle

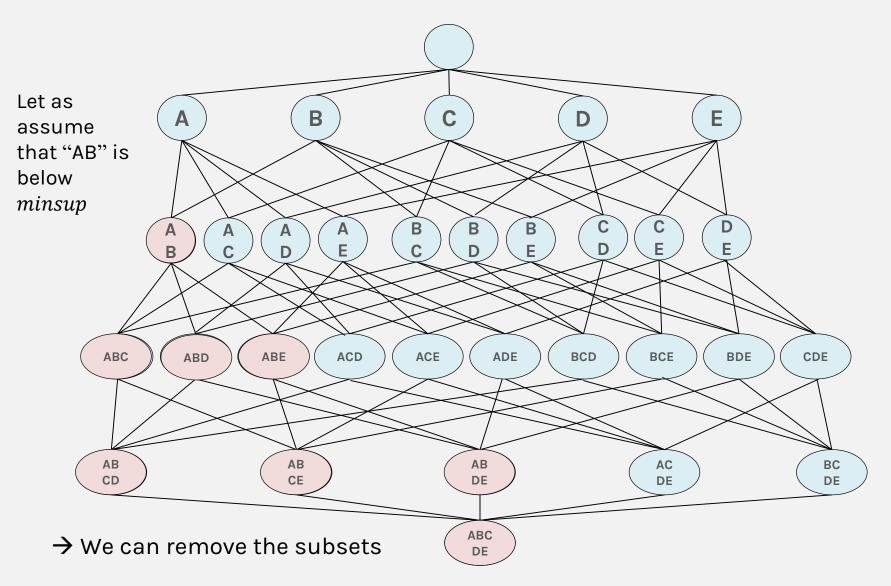


Apriori principle

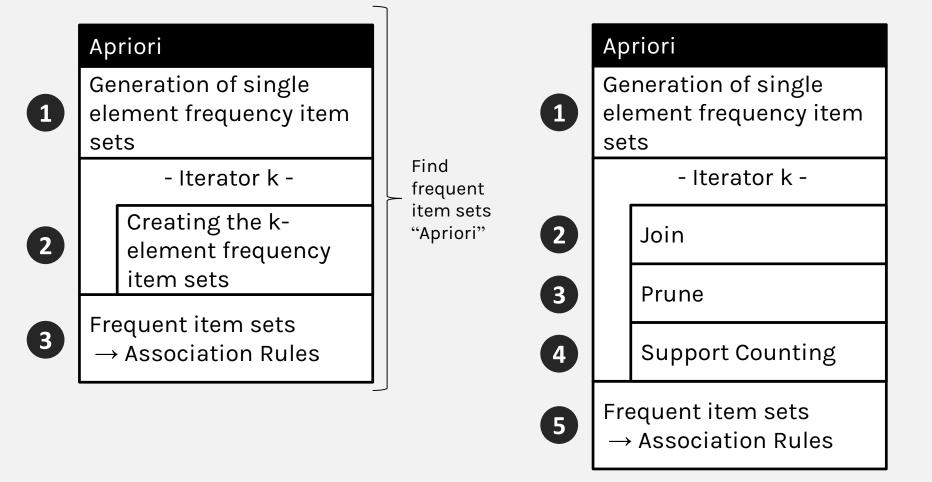
If an item set is frequent, than all of its subsets must also be frequent. Conversely, if an item set is infrequent, then all supersets are infrequent.

- Frist step: Searching for common patterns (frequent item sets) with the actual a priori Algorithm.
- Second step: Derive rules from the frequent sets.

Apriori principle



Apriori



Apriori in detail

- Calculation of the k sets from the (k-1) sets
- Join Step: Determination of Candidates; A priori trick:
 All (k-1)-elementary subsets of a k set are (k-1) sets
- Prune Step: Delete all candidates, that contains an "inadmissible" (k-1) elemental subset.
- Support counting: count how often the candidates really are

Pruning Example

Given minsup = 0.6, $\sigma_{min} = 3$

TID	Itemset
1	Brot Milch
2	Brot Windeln Eier Bier
3	Milch Windeln Bier Cola
4	Brot Milch Windeln Bier
5	Brot Milch Windeln Cola

Itemset	σ
Bier	3
Brot	4
Cola	2
Eier	1
Milch	4
Windeln	4



2 elm. Itemset	σ
Bier Brot	2
Brot Milch	2
Bier Windeln	3
Brot Milch	3
Brot Windeln	3
Windeln Milch	3



2 elm. Itemset	σ
Brot Milch Windeln	2

Result:

- 6+6+1 possible candidates
- Without pruning there would be 6 + 15 + 20 = 41

Apriori Algorithm

```
L1 = \{large\ 1 - item\ sets\};
for (k = 2; L_{k-1} \neq \{\}; k++) do begin
        C_k = apriori - gen(L_{k-1});
                                                        Compute new candidates
        for\ all\ Transaktionen\ t\ \in\ D\ do\ begin
                 C_t = subset(C_k, t);
                                                     Compute all candidates in t
                 for all Candidates c \in C_t do
                          c.count + +:
         end
        Lk = \{c \in C_k | c.count >= minsup\}
end
return:\bigcup_k L_k
```

Extensions

- Runtime behavior of the a priori:
 - good for small and medium data volumes
 - Bad for very large amounts of data
- Solution through modifications:
 - AprioriTID
 - AprioriHybrid

1.5 Classification

- Classification and concept learning
- ID3
- C5.0

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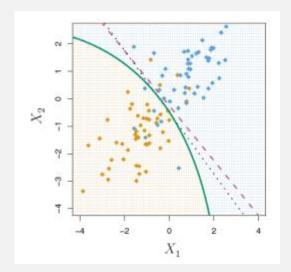
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Classification

- We have a set of observations with different attributes and known class labels (the attribute data scientist want to predict is termed the class attribute)
- We want to built a model to predict the class attribute for new observations with the same attributes (so we know all other attributes except the class attribute)
- The most popular tools for that are decision trees

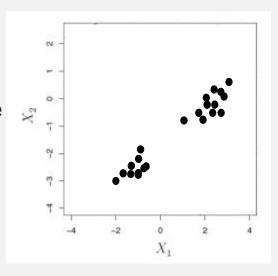
Clustering vs. Classification

- Objects are characterized by features
- Classification:
 - Have <u>labels</u> for some points (training data)
 - Want a "rule" to assign labels to new points (test data)
 - Distance between objects "doesn't matter"
 - Supervised learning



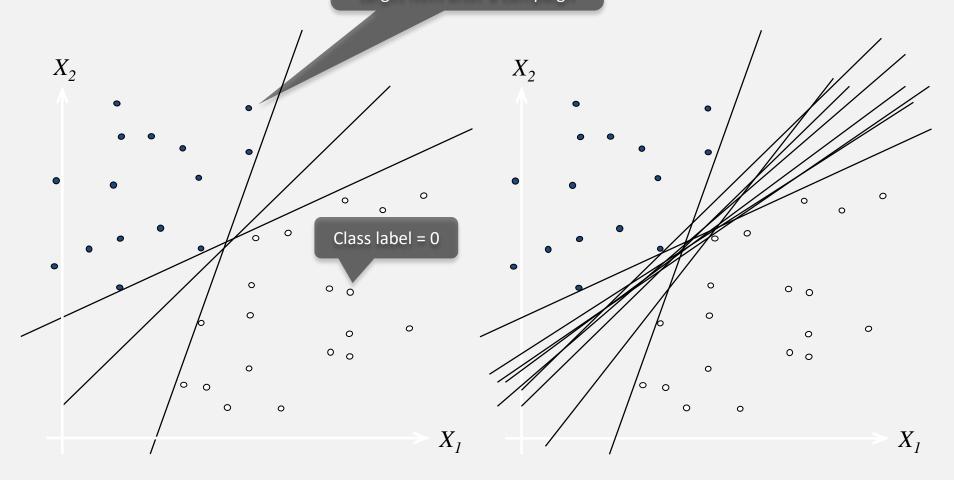
Clustering:

- No labels
- Group points based on, e.g., how "near" they are to one another
- Identify <u>structure</u> in data... and reduce data
- Unsupervised learning



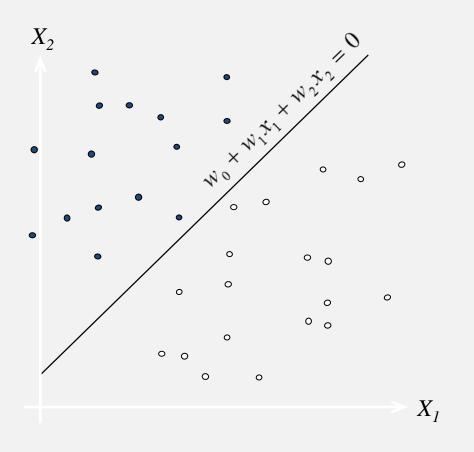
Linear Classifiers

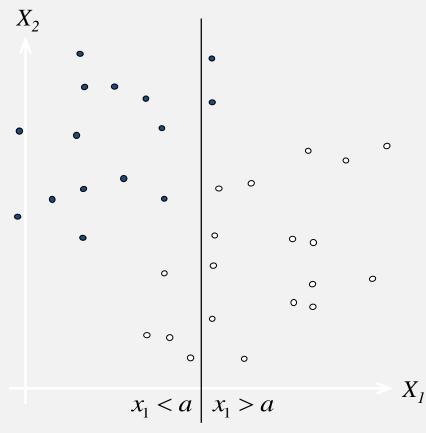
Class label = 1, e.g., purchased a target item after a campaign



- Any of these would be fine ...
- ... but which is the best?

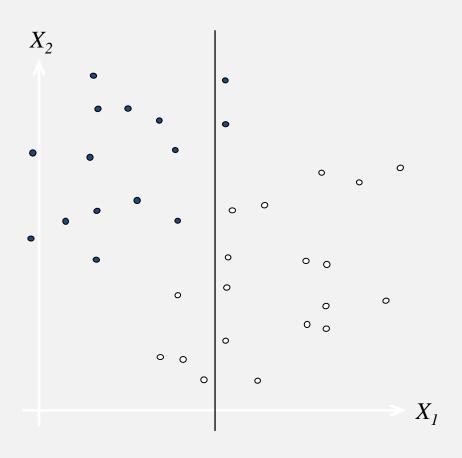
Linear Classifiers and Decision Trees





- What about this?
- Advantage? Disadvantage?

Entropy as a measure of Impurity

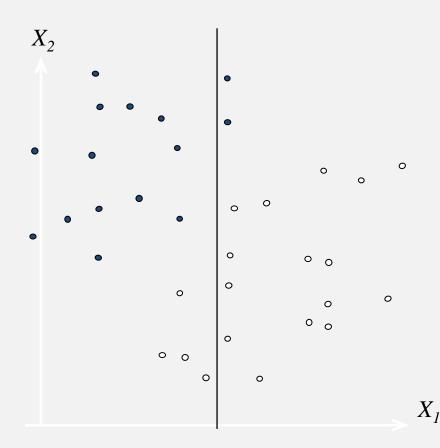


- Wanted: a function that describes the "impurity" of a set of data points
- **Solution**: Entropy

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

Hier:
$$H(S) = -p_1 log_2(p_1) - p_2 log_2(p_2)$$

Entropy and Information Gain



Remember Lecture 4 - Business Data Preparation: Information gain tells us how good the given split on an attribute is Entire population (34 instances) "Parent entropy":

$$-\left(\frac{15}{34}\log_2\frac{15}{34}\right) - \left(\frac{19}{34}\log_2\frac{19}{34}\right) = 0.989$$

"Child entropy" of left side (17 instances):

$$-\left(\frac{13}{17}\log_2\frac{13}{17}\right) - \left(\frac{4}{17}\log_2\frac{4}{17}\right) = 0.787$$

"Child entropy" of right side (17 instances):

$$-\left(\frac{2}{17}\log_2\frac{2}{17}\right) - \left(\frac{15}{17}\log_2\frac{15}{17}\right) = 0.523$$

Entropy of children:

$$\left(\frac{17}{34}0.787\right) + \left(\frac{17}{34}0.523\right) = 0.655$$

Information Gain:

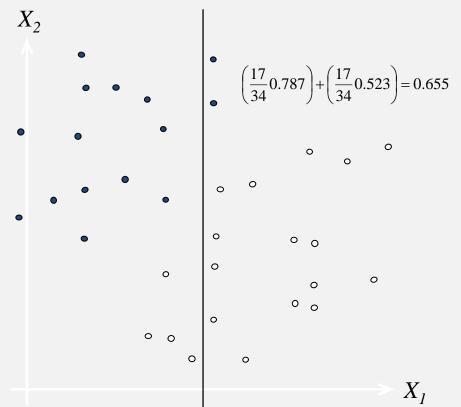
$$0.989 - 0.655 = 0.334$$

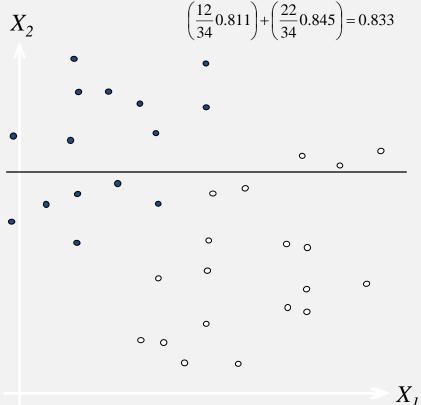
Information Gain

Entire population (34 instances):

$$-\left(\frac{15}{34}\log_2\frac{15}{34}\right) - \left(\frac{19}{34}\log_2\frac{19}{34}\right) = 0.989$$

$$\left(\frac{12}{34}0.811\right) + \left(\frac{22}{34}0.845\right) = 0.833$$





Entropy left (17 instances):

$$-\left(\frac{13}{17}\log_2\frac{13}{17}\right) - \left(\frac{4}{17}\log_2\frac{4}{17}\right)$$
$$= 0.787$$

Entropy right (17 instances):

$$-\left(\frac{13}{17}\log_2\frac{13}{17}\right) - \left(\frac{4}{17}\log_2\frac{4}{17}\right) \qquad -\left(\frac{2}{17}\log_2\frac{2}{17}\right) - \left(\frac{15}{17}\log_2\frac{15}{17}\right) \qquad -\left(\frac{9}{12}\log_2\frac{9}{12}\right) - \left(\frac{3}{12}\log_2\frac{3}{12}\right) \qquad -\left(\frac{6}{22}\log_2\frac{6}{22}\right) - \left(\frac{16}{22}\log_2\frac{16}{22}\right) = 0.787$$

$$= 0.787$$

$$= 0.845$$

Entropy above (12 instances):

$$-\left(\frac{9}{12}\log_2\frac{9}{12}\right) - \left(\frac{3}{12}\log_2\frac{3}{12}\right)$$
$$= 0.811$$

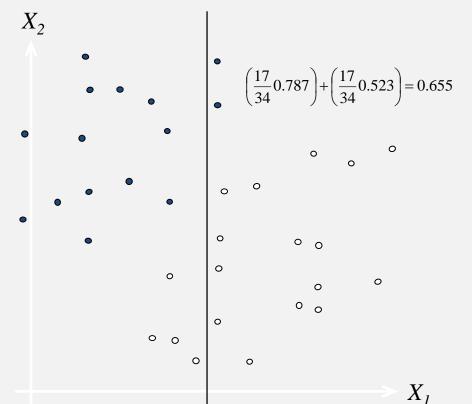
Entropy below (22 instances):

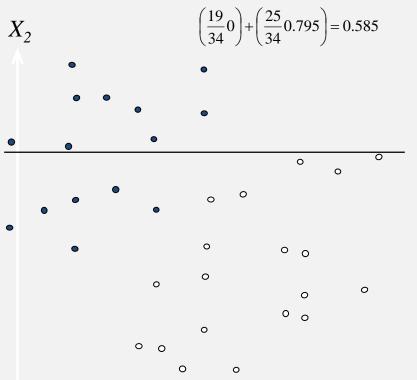
$$-\left(\frac{6}{22}\log_2\frac{6}{22}\right) - \left(\frac{16}{22}\log_2\frac{16}{22}\right)$$
$$= 0.845$$

Information Gain

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Entropy above (9 instances):

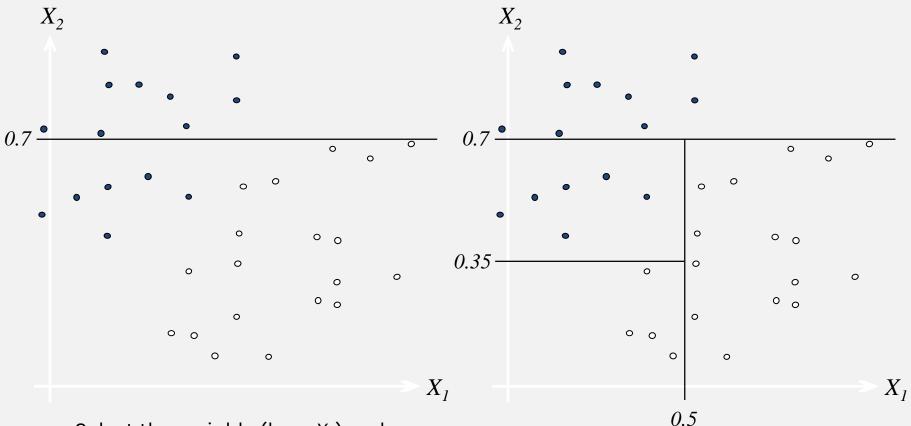
$$-\left(\frac{9}{9}\log_2\frac{9}{9}\right) - \left(\frac{0}{9}\log_2\frac{0}{9}\right)$$
$$= 0$$

Entropy below (25 instances):

$$-\left(\frac{6}{25}\log_2\frac{6}{25}\right) - \left(\frac{19}{25}\log_2\frac{19}{25}\right)$$
$$= 0.795$$

 X_1

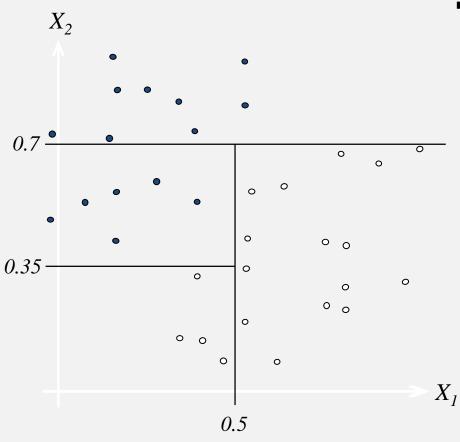
Information Gain



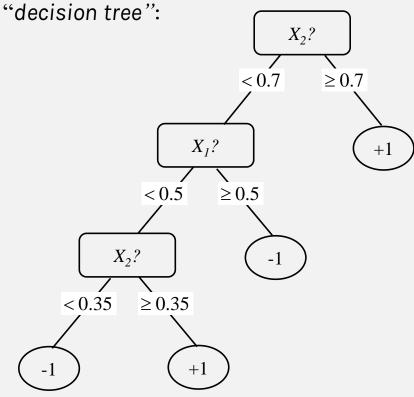
 Select the variable (here X₂) and split (here at 0.7) that yields the highest information gain (best discriminator)

 Do this iteratively until no more impurity exists (the set of points is fully classified)

Decision Trees



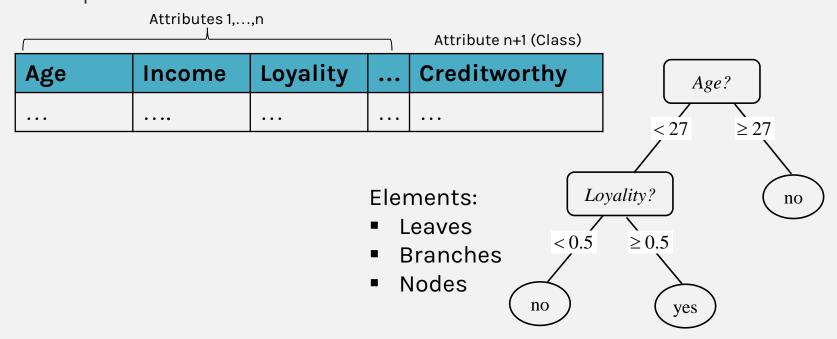
 This iterative process of splitting can be expressed as a



- denotes +1
- o denotes -1

Concept of decision trees

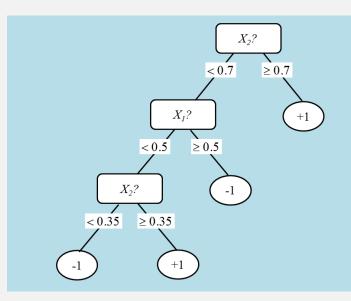
- Objective: Item has several attributes, you want to predict the (n+1)-th using the values of n attributes
- Basis for prediction: quantity of tuples (training quantity) for which all n+1 values are known.
- Example:



Concept Learning System (CLS)

Hunt et al. (1966)

Built a model to predict or classify future observations based on a set of decision rules



- A decision tree is a flowchart like tree structure, where each internal node denotes a test on an attribute
- Each branch represents an outcome of the test
- Each leaf node (terminal node) holds a class label

- All decision tree algorithms are based on Hunt's fundamental algorithm of concept learning
- The algorithm embodies a method used by humans when learning simple concepts, namely finding key distinguishing features between two categories, represented by positive and negative (Training) examples
- Based on a divide and conquer strategy

Hunt's Algorithm

- 1. If all data objects belong to the same class, you form a leaf in the decision tree.
- 2. Otherwise:
- a) An attribute is selected,
- b) The number of data objects is partitioned according to the attribute values that occur for this attribute, which represent each successive node and
- c) The algorithm is recursively applied to these successor nodes and the Remaining attributes

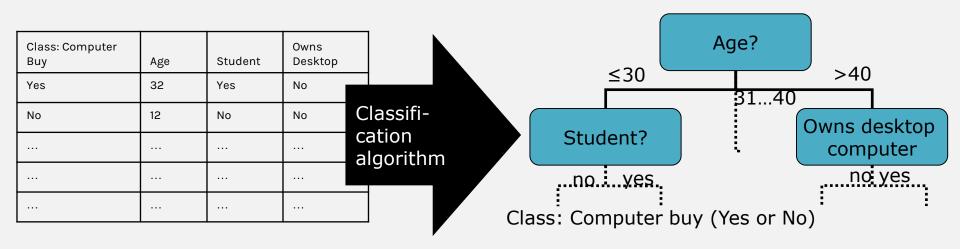
Classification with Decision Trees

Decision Trees classify instances

- Sorting them down tree to leaf node containing class (value)
- Based on attributes of instances
- Branch for each value

Example: Decision Tree indicating whether or not customer buys computer

How to build such Decision Trees from sample data?



Training Data

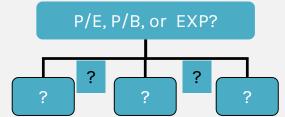
Instances presented as attribute-value pairs

Observation	Investment decision	Price-earnings ratio (P/E)*	Price-book ratio (P/B)*	Expert opinion (EXP)
1	Buy	3	3	Good
2	Sell	1	1	Bad
3	Buy	3	2	Good
4	Sell	1	2	ОК
5	Sell	1	1	ОК
6	Sell	2	1	ОК
7	Buy	3	3	Good
8	Buy	3	2	Good
9	Buy	2	3	ОК
10	Sell	2	2	ОК
11	Sell	1	2	ОК
12	Sell	2	1	Bad
13	Buy	2	3	Good
14	Sell	1	2	Bad

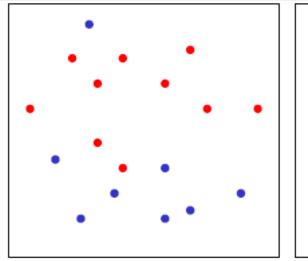
^{*} Normalized to a 1-N ranking

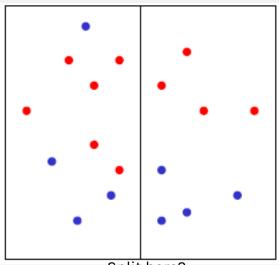
Built decision trees with ID3

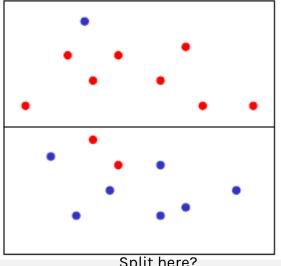
- ID3 classification algorithm generates a decision tree from a fixed set of examples (observations)
- Resulting tree is used to classify future samples



How to decide which attribute to split on (1st, 2nd,..)?







[Source: P. Cimiano]

Split here?

Split here?

Built decision trees with ID3

- For each attribute that has not already been used
 - Calculate the information gain that results from splitting on that attribute
 - Split on the attribute that gives the greatest information gain

→ Attributes are chosen repeatedly in this way until a complete decision tree that classifies every input is obtained

How to use ID3 on existing datasets?

- Precise definition for information gain...
- Example

ID3: Entropy & Information Gain

Observation	Expected return
1	Buy
2	Sell
3	Buy
4	Sell
5	Sell
6	Sell
7	Buy
8	Buy
9	Buy
10	Sell
11	Sell
12	Sell
13	Buy
14	Sell

ID3 develops Decision Trees on the basis on two criteria:

- 1. Entropy (Overall level of uncertainty)
- Information Gain (Information being the most useful for classification)

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

$$= -p_{Sell} \log_2(p_{Sell}) - p_{Buy} \log_2(p_{Buy})$$

$$= -(8/14) \log_2(8/14) - (6/14) \log_2(6/14)$$

$$= 0.98522814$$

ID3: Entropy & Information Gain (2)

Information gain is computed for each attribute A: Gain(A) = H(S) - H(A)

Obser- vation	Invest- ment Decision	Expert opinion (EXP)
1	Buy	Good
2	Sell	Bad
3	Buy	Good
4	Sell	OK
5	Sell	OK
6	Sell	OK
7	Buy	Good
8	Buy	Good
9	Buy	ОК
10	Sell	ОК
11	Sell	OK
12	Sell	Bad
13	Buy	Good
14	Sell	Bad

$$Gain(S, A_{EXP}) = Entropy(S)$$

$$-(3/14)Entropy(S_{Bad})$$

$$-(6/14)Entropy(S_{OK})$$

$$-(5/14)Entropy(S_{Good})$$

$$Entropy(S_{Bad}) = -(3/3)\log_2(3/3) - 0\log_2 0 = 0$$

$$Entropy(S_{OK}) = -(5/6)\log_2(5/6) - (1/6)\log_2(1/6)$$

$$\approx 0.65002$$

$$Entropy(S_{Good}) = -0\log_2 0 - (5/5)\log_2(5/5) = 0$$

$$Gain(S, A_{OC}) \approx 0.98522 - 0.6/14 \cdot 0.65002 - 0$$

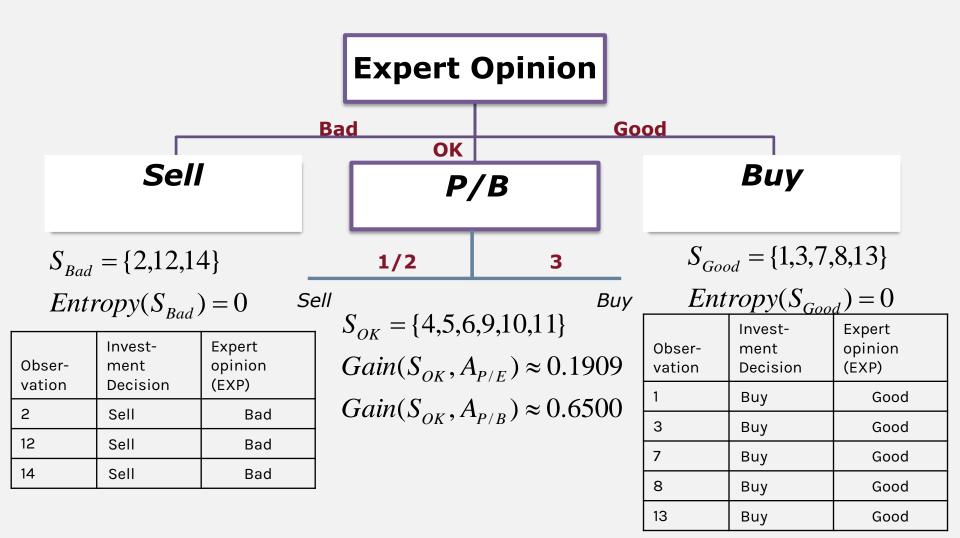
$$Gain(S, A_{EXP}) \approx 0.98522 - 0 - 6/14 \cdot 0.65002 - 0$$

$$\approx 0.7066471$$

$$Gain(S, A_{P/E}) \approx 0.63846007$$

 $Gain(S, A_{P/B}) \approx 0.59167278$

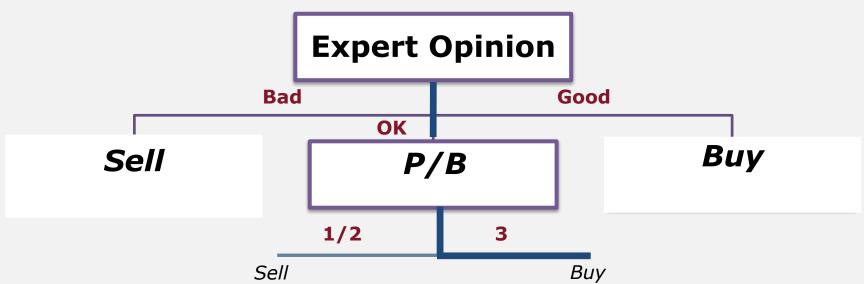
ID3 Results



Model Application

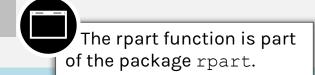
Given the developed model, we can classify instances, e.g.:

Observation	Investment decision	Price-earnings ratio (P/E)*	Price-book ratio (P/B)*	Expert opinion (EXP)
1	Buy	3	3	ОК



• With a larger testing set, we could test the model's classification accuracy.

Buid decision trees in R



rpart()

```
fit = rpart(formula = class \sim att1 + att2 +..., data = x, parms = list(prior = c(.65,.35), split = "information"))
```

Parameters

formula	Formula, with a response but no interaction terms
x (Input)	Numeric matrix or data frame that can be coerced to such a matrix (data frame with all numeric colums)
parms	Optional parameters for the splitting function, multiple parameters with a list. For instance: • vector of prior probabilities (component prior), the loss matrix (component loss) or the splitting index (component split). The priors must be positive and sum to 1. The loss matrix must have zeros on the diagonal and positive off-diagonal elements. • The splitting index can be gini or information

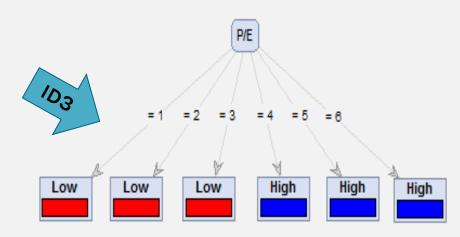
Output of an ID3 model

```
library(rpart)
fit = rpart(formula = mpg ~ ., data = mtcars, parms = list(split = "information"))
summary(fit)
Call:
rpart(formula = mpg ~ ., data = mtcars, parms = list(split = "information")) n= 32
          CP nsplit rel error xerror
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                                                                        validated error rate
Node number 1: 32 observations,
                                     complexity param=0.6431252
  mean=20.09062, MSE=35.18897
  left son=2 (21 obs) right son=3 (11 obs)
                                                                         Your decision tree
  Primary splits:
      cyl < 5 to the right, improve=0.6431252, (0 missing)
      wt < 2.3925 to the right, improve=0.6356630, (0 missing)
      disp < 163.8 to the right, improve=0.6130502, (0 missing)
      hp < 118 to the right, improve=0.6010712, (0 missing)
```

ID3 Overfitting

 ID3 Disadvantage: Tends to prefer splits that result in large number of partitions, each being small but pure.

	Expected			
#	return	(P/E)	(P/B)	(EXP)
1	High	5	3	Good
2	Low	1	1	Bad
3	High	6	2	Good
4	Low	2	2	OK
5	Low	3	1	OK
6	High	4	1	OK



P/E provides maximum information gain, but... ...is the sensible with regard to model developing (generalization)?

Father of decision trees: Ross Quinlan



Ross Quinlan

Pioneer of decision tree research

Image source: ARoss Quinlan (2018)

- Computer science researcher in data mining and decision theory at university of Sydney
- Very famous paper "Quinlan, J. R. (1986). Induction of decision trees.
 Machine learning, 1(1), 81-106."
- Founded the company RuleQuest Research in 1997, which offers data analytics solutions
- Building on the ID3 he create the C4.5 and the C5 algorithm,

C4.5: Central Concepts

- C4.5 develops decision trees on the basis of two criteria:
 - InformationGain (Information being the most useful for classification)
 - SplitInfo (Information how an attribute splits the data)

- On the basis of these two criteria, C4.5 calclulates and uses GainRatio instead of InformationGain (as ID3)
- Improvements: can handle discrete and continuous attributes, can handle missing attribute values, attributes with differing costs, improved pruning of trees (replacing irrelevant branches with leaf nodes).

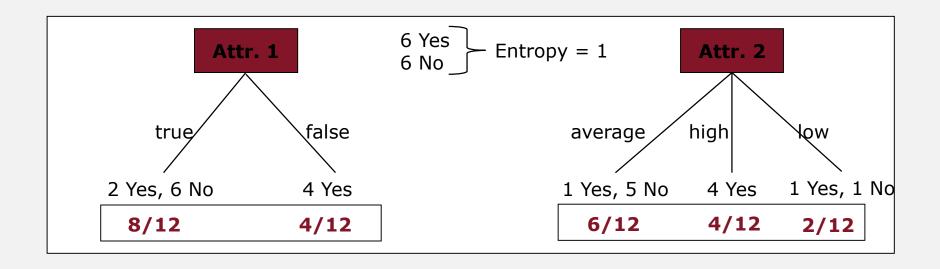
C4.5: GainRatio

$$GainRatio_{split} = \frac{InfoGain_{Split}}{SplitInfo}$$
 $SplitInfo = -\sum_{i=1}^{k} \frac{n_i}{n} \log_2 \frac{n_i}{n}$

- Adjusts Information Gain (InfoGain_{Split}) by entropy of partitioning (SplitInfo)
- Higher entropy partitioning (large number of small partitions) is penalized
- Developed to overcome disadvantage of Information Gain approach of ID3

Normalizing Information Gain: ID3 vs. C4.5

 C4.5 fixes problem of ID3 by normalizing Information Gain of each candidate attribute, taking into account number of branches

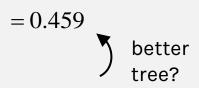


■ ID3:

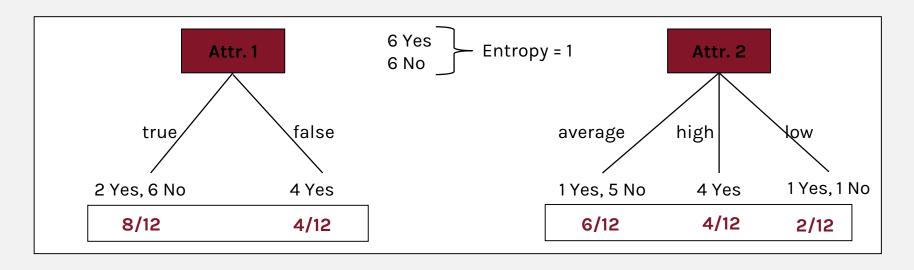
$$InfoGain(Attr.1) = 1 - 8/12 [(-2/8 \log_2(2/8) - 6/8 \log_2(6/8))] + 0$$

$$InfoGain(Attr.2) = 1 - 6/12 [(-1/6 \log_2(1/6) - 5/6 \log_2(5/6))] + 0$$

$$- 2/12 [(-1/2 \log_2(1/2) - 1/2 \log_2(1/2))] = 0.508$$



Normalizing Information Gain: ID3 vs. C4.5



$$SplitInfo(Attr.1) = -4/12\log_2(4/12) - 8/12\log_2(8/12) = 0.918$$

$$InfoGain(Attr.1) = 0.459$$

$$GainRatio(Attr.1) = 0.459/0.918 = 0.5$$

$$SplitInfo(Attr.2) = -6/12\log_2(6/12) - 4/12\log_2(4/12) - 2/12\log_2(2/12) = 1.459$$

InfoGain(Attr.2) = 0.508

$$GainRatio(Attr.2) = 0.508/1.459 = 0.348$$

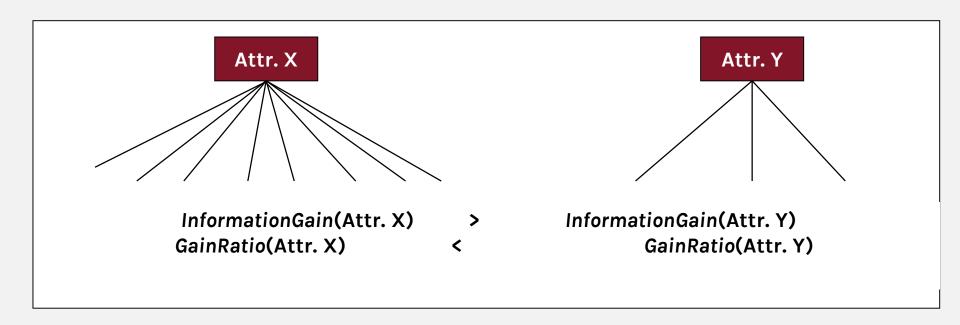
More branches penalized

C4.5 selects

Attr. 1

Normalizing Information Gain: ID3 vs. C4.5

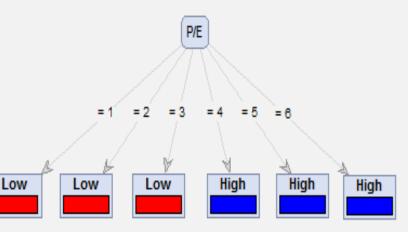
- C4.5 normalizes Information Gain introduced by ID3, i.e. it penalizes attributes that would result in more branches.
- Experimentally, GainRatio seems to be better than InformationGain as a measure of the usefulness of attribute to classification problem.



Numeric Attributes

Standard method: binary splits (e.g. P/E < 4)

 Unlike nominal attributes, every attribute has many possible split points



Basic approach:

Place split points halfway between values

Extended approach:

- Evaluate for every possible split point of attribute
- Choose "best" split point
- Best split point creates two sets with maximal measure (e.g. GainRatio)

→ Computationally demanding!

Example: Weather Data - Nominal Values

Outlook	Temperature	Humidity	Windy	Play
Sunny	Hot	High	False	No
Sunny	Hot	High	True	No
Overcast	Hot	High	False	Yes
Rainy Mild		Normal False		Yes
•••	•••	•••	•••	•••

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If outlook = sunny and humidity = high then play = no

If outlook = rainy and windy = true then play = no

If outlook = overcast then play = yes

If humidity = normal then play = yes

If none of the above then play = yes
```

Example: Weather Data - Numeric

Outlook	Temperature	Humidity	Windy	Play
Sunny	85	85	False	No
Sunny	80	90	True	No
Overcast	83	86	False	Yes
Rainy 75		80	False	Yes
•••	•••	•••	•••	•••

```
If outlook = sunny and humidity > 83 then play = no

If outlook = rainy and windy = true then play = no

If outlook = overcast then play = yes

If humidity < 85 then play = yes

If none of the above then play = yes
```

Example: Weather Data - Numeric

Split on temperature attribute:



Approaches:

1. Place split points halfway between values, i.e.

temperature
$$<$$
 73: yes/4, no/3 temperature \ge 73: yes/5, no/2

or

2. Evaluate all split points with regard to GainRatio, e.g.

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temperature < 71.5: yes/4, no/2
temperature ≥ 71.5: yes/5, no/3
Choose split that results highest GainRatio
```

⇒ 13 calculations necessary in this case?

Example: Weather Data - Numeric

- Sort instances by the values of numeric attribute
- GainRatio only needs to be evaluated between points of different classes (Fayyad & Irani, 1992)

- Potential optimal breakpoints, i.e. 7 calculations necessary in this case
- Breakpoints between values of the same class cannot be optimal.

Binary vs. Multi-way Splits

Splitting (multi-way) on a nominal attribute exhausts all information in that attribute

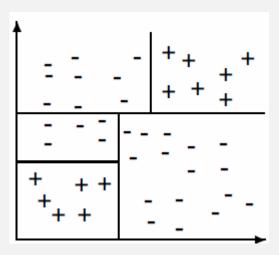
Nominal attribute is tested (at most) once on any path in tree

Not so for binary splits on numeric attributes

 Numeric attribute may be tested several times along path in tree

C4.5 approach to numeric values is often useful but not in all cases

 In some cases, a single split will not increase information



Missing Values

Missing attribute values are common in data:

- Values may not always be available
- Values may not have been considered important at time of entry
- Values may not have been recorded due to misunderstanding, or because of equipment malfunctions
- Data that were inconsistent with other recorded data may have been deleted

[Han & Kamber 2006]

ID3 can not handle cases where some values of attributes are unknown

Application	Attr.1
Yes	true
Yes	?
No	true



Missing Values

- C4.5 allows missing values to have the form "?"
- Basic approach to calculate InformationGain works as before, unknown values are not included in calculations.

 S_{all} = Entire sample including missing values

S_{sub} = Subsample, where all values of attributes are known

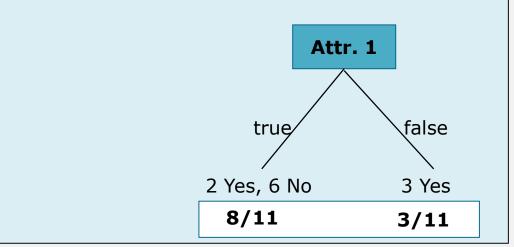
1. Calculate Entropy for S_{sub}

2. Calculate
$$InfoGain(S_{all}, A) = \frac{n(S_{sub})}{n(S_{all})} \cdot InfoGain(S_{Sub}, A)$$

3. Calculate SplitInfo by treating unknown values as additional class

Missing Values

- 1			Т
	Application	Attr.1	Attr.2
	Yes	true	
	Yes	true	
	No	true	
	Yes	false	
	No	true	
	No	true	
	Yes	?	
	No	true	
	Yes	false	
	No	true	
	Yes	false	
	No	true	



 $Entropy(S_{Sub}) = -8/11 \cdot \log_2 8/11 - 3/11 \cdot \log_2 3/11$

$$InfoGain(S_{Sub},Attr.1) = Entropy(S_{Sub}) - 8/11 Entropy(S_{Sub},A1 = true) - 3/11 Entropy(S_{Sub},A1 = false)$$

$$InfoGain(S_{all},Attr.1) = 11/12 \cdot InfoGain(S_{Sub},Attr.1)$$

$$SplitInfo = -8/12 \log_2 8/12 - 3/12 \log_2 3/12 - 1/12 \log_2 1/12$$

$$GainRatio(S_{All}, Attr.1) = \frac{InfoGain(S_{All}, Attr.1)}{SplitInfo}$$

Pruning

- When decision tree is built, many of branches will reflect anomalies in training data due to noise or outliers
- Pruning goal: Prevent overfitting





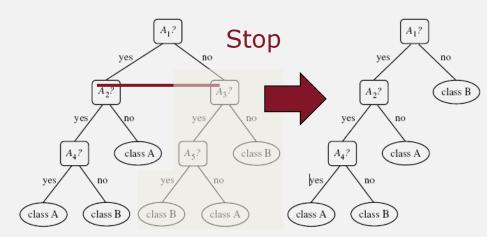


- Two strategies for "pruning" the decision tree:
 - Prepruning stop growing a branch when information becomes unreliable
 - Postpruning take a fully-grown decision tree and discard unreliable parts
- Postpruning preferred in practice prepruning can "stop too early"

[Han & Kamber 2006]

Prepruning

- In prepruning approach, tree is "pruned" by halting its construction early (e.g. by deciding not to further split or partition subset of training tuples at given node).
- Based on statistical significance test: Stop growing tree when there is no statistically significant association between any attribute and class at particular node
- Leaf may hold most frequent class among subset tuples or probability distribution of those tuples.



[Han & Kamber 2006]

Post Pruning: Subtree Replacement & Raising

In the <u>post</u>pruning approach, a tree is "pruned" by removing subtrees from a "fully grown" tree. Fully-grown tree shows all attribute

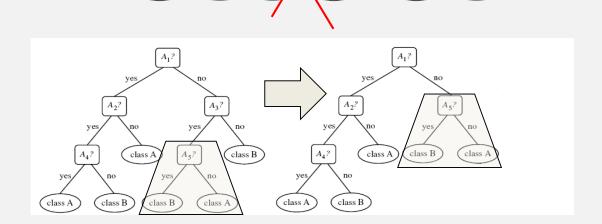
interactions

Two pruning operations:

Subtree replacement

2. Subtree raising

[Han & Kamber 2006]



class B

class B

class B

class A

class A

1.6 Regression

- Variable and object space
- Concepts of regression
- Regression analysis techniques

Most common business analytics jobs

Problem	Business Perspective	Techniques
Find Clusters/Outliers	 Are there different types of users Can we put different products together into distinct/different groups? 	ClusteringOutlier-Analysis
Find Relationships	 If a customer buys product A, what does he buy next? Which product sets belong together? 	 Association Analysis
Predict Classes	 Is this customer solvent or not? Will this customer send back this shipping or not? 	Decision TreesLogistic RegressionSupport-Vector Machines
Predict Values	 Does a new label increase the? Is there a relationship between Sales and Commercials? 	RegressionSupport-Vector Machines
Predict Developments	 How will the value of our products develop? What future developments are likely? 	■ Time-Series Forecasting

There will be further advanced techniques we will discuss in "Advanced Analytics with R", another lecture covering topics like e.g. ANN, FP Growth techniques, Expectation Maxiization etc.

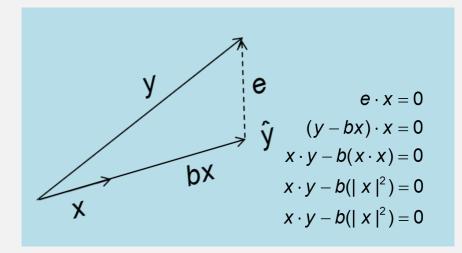
Regression Analysis

> Describes how specific phenomena relate to each other.

- Used to predict the value of one variable based on the value of other variables
- Independenten variables can be affected by each other but it does not mean that this dependency is both ways as is the case with correlatin analysis

Example:

How much whisky someone drinks depends on age and income



Use Cases:

- Consumer Analysis: Levels of customer statisfaction aftects customer loyalty
- Pricing: How neighbourhood and size affect the listing price of houses
- Matchmaking: Find the love of your life via online dating ;-)

Regression / Statistical Methods

Y = deterministic component + stochastic component

Prediction

- Univariate
- Multivariate

Deterministic Part

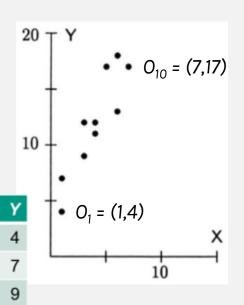
- Linear
- Nonlinear
- Smoothed

Stochastic Part

- Distribution
- Heterogeneity
- Auto-Correlation
- Nested data (Random Effects)
- Random Noise

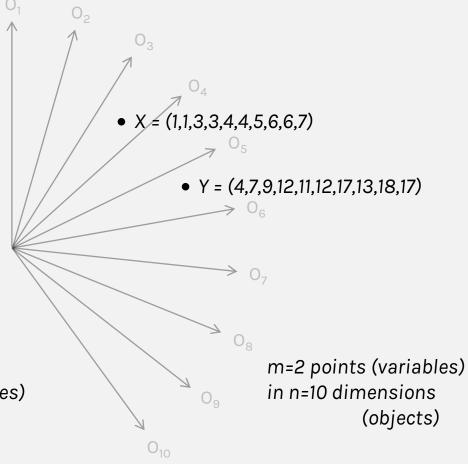
Variable Space and Object Space I

Variable Space



n=10 points (objects) in m=2 dimensions (variables)

Object Space



X

4

5

12

11

12

17

13

18

17

O₁

0,

 O_3

 O_4

 O_5

 O_6

07

O₈

O₉

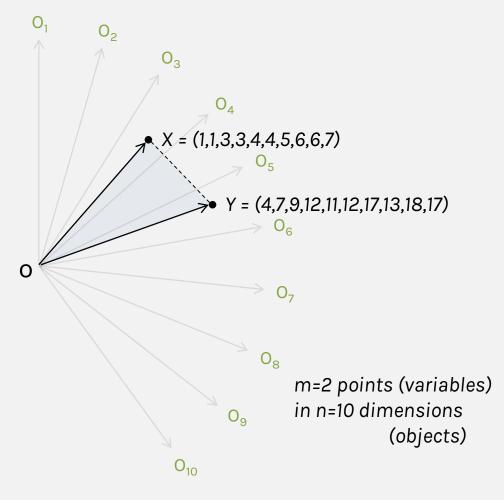
O₁₀

Variable Space and Object Space II

10-dimensional space is impossible to visualize.

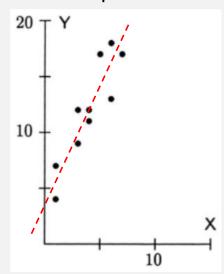
However: If we have two vectors (variables), we can concentrate on the 2-dimensional space (plane) that they span (together with the origin O)

Object Space



Bivariate Linear Regression I

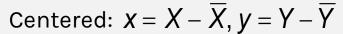
Variable Space

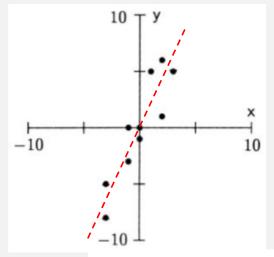


Object Space

algebraic:

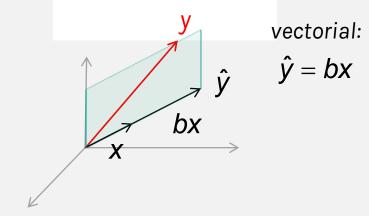
$$\hat{Y} = a + bX$$



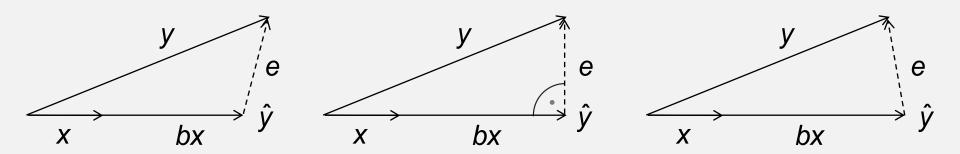


algebraic:

$$\hat{y} = bx$$



Bivariate Linear Regression II



The best estimator \hat{y} is the one with the smallest error e. e is minimal if e is orthogonal to \hat{y} (and x): $e \perp x$

Dot product must be zero:

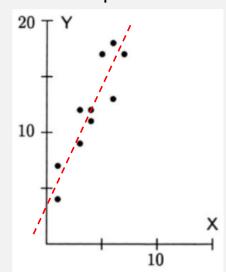
$$e \cdot x = 0$$
$$(y - bx) \cdot x = 0$$
$$x \cdot y - b(x \cdot x) = 0$$
$$x \cdot y - b(|x|^2) = 0$$
$$x \cdot y - b(|x|^2) = 0$$

$$b = \frac{x \cdot y}{|x|^2} = \frac{\sum_{i} x_i y_i}{\sum_{i} x_i^2}$$

This is the well-known regression formula obtained from the ordinary least squares approach (OLS) using differential calculus.

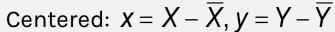
Bivariate Linear Regression III

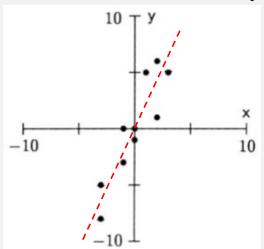
Variable Space



algebraic:

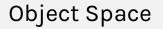
$$\hat{Y} = a + bX$$

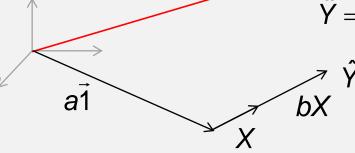




algebraic:

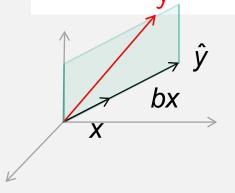
$$\hat{y} = bx$$





vectorial:

$$\hat{Y} = a\vec{1} + bX$$

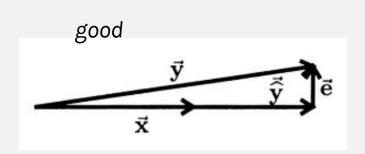


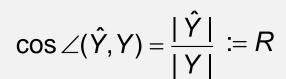
vectorial:

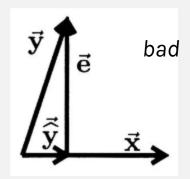
$$\hat{y} = bx$$

Goodness of Fit I

- Regression predictor γ̂ agrees with as well as possible
- But this agreement can be good or poor
 → a measure is required to assess the quality of the fit







Correlation Coefficient (Pearson's r)

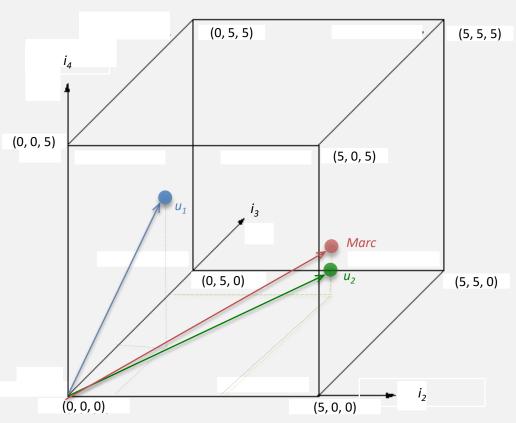
Either the angle between the vectors or their relative length can be used as a measure:

Similarity and correlation

	 i ₂	i ₃	i ₄	i ₅
Marc	3	4	2	?
u ₁	1	2	4	3
u ₂	3	4	1	5
u ₃	3	1	5	4



- Marc's preferences are similar to the ones of u₂ and differ strongly from u₁'s
- Amarc's row vector (the point the vector ends) is much closer to the one of u₂ compared to the one of u₁
- We measure closeness as correlation (or cosine-similarity)

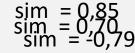


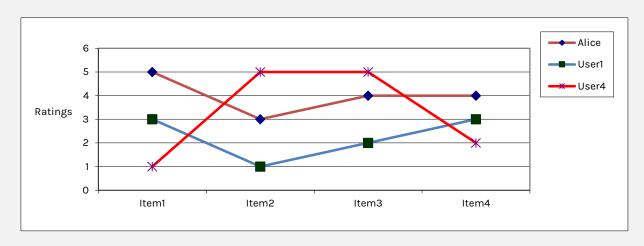
Measure user similarity to find the *k* nearest neighbors

 $sim(u_o,u_u)=r(u_o,u_u)$, similarity values between -1 and 1

<u> </u>					
	Item1	Item2	Item3	Item4	Item5
Alice	5	3	4	4	?
User1	3	1	2	3	3
User2	4	3	4	3	5
User3	3	3	1	5	4
User4	1	5	5	2	1

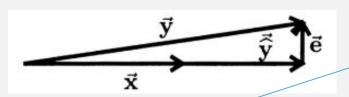
Computed on mutually ranked items





Goodness of Fit II

$$R := \cos \Theta(\hat{y}, y) = \frac{|\hat{y}|}{|y|}$$



Pythagoras:

$$|\hat{y}|^2 = |y|^2 - |e|^2$$

Recall:

If y is centered
$$(y_i = Y_i - \overline{Y})$$

$$|y| = \sqrt{y_1^2 + y_2^2 + ... + y_n^2}$$

$$|y|^2 = y_1^2 + y_2^2 + ... + y_n^2$$
 ,,Sum of Squares" SS_y

$$s_y = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1}} |y| = const |y|$$

Std. Dev.

$$s_y^2 = const |y|^2$$

Variance

$$SS_{regression} = SS_{total} - SS_{residual}$$

$$SS_{regression} = |\hat{y}|^2 = R^2 |y|^2 = R^2 SS_{total}$$

$$R^2 = \frac{|\hat{y}|^2}{|y|^2}$$

 $R^2 = \frac{|\hat{y}|^2}{|y|^2}$ is called "coefficient of determination" and measures the "percentage of variance explained"

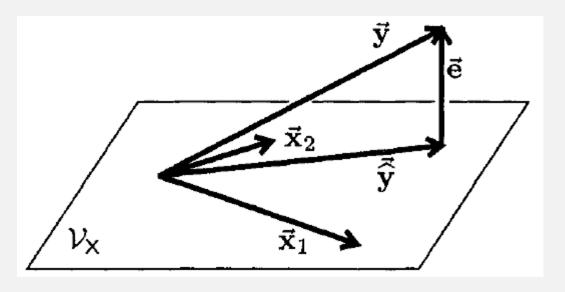
Multiple Regression I

Output variable estimated by a linear combination of input variables

$$\hat{Y} = a\vec{1} + b_1X_1 + b_2X_2 + ... + b_pX_p$$

Again, the core is fitting

$$\hat{y} = b_1 x_1 + b_2 x_2 + ... + b_p x_p$$



Multiple Regression II

Now, we need to find the orthogonal projection of Y onto a hyperplane V_x

- Again, we need to find the minin
- We know e^{x_1} and e^{x_2}

$$x_{1} \cdot e = 0,$$

$$x_{1} \cdot (y - \hat{y}) = 0,$$

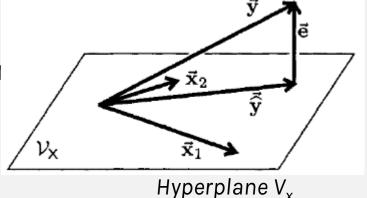
$$x_{1} \cdot (y - b_{1}x_{1} - b_{2}x_{2}) = 0,$$

$$x_{1} \cdot y - b_{1}x_{1} \cdot x_{1} - b_{2}x_{2} \cdot x_{1} = 0$$

With the same for x_2 , we come to

$$b_1(x_1 \cdot x_1) + b_2(x_1 \cdot x_2) = x_1 \cdot y$$

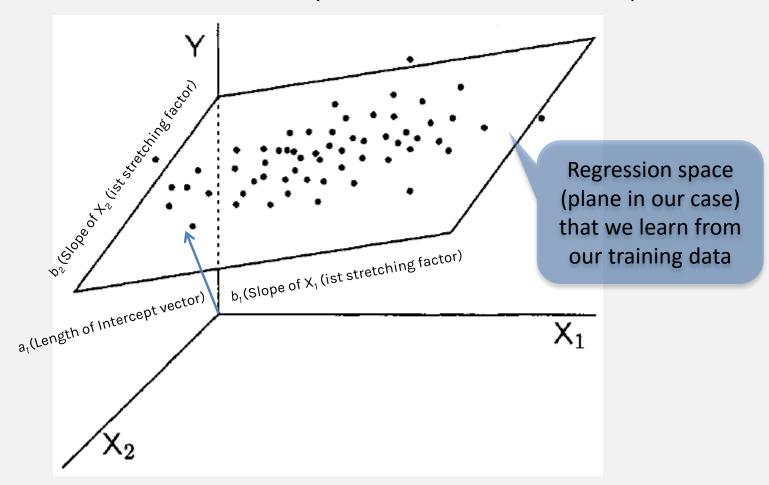
$$b_1(x_1 \cdot x_2) + b_2(x_2 \cdot x_2) = x_2 \cdot y$$



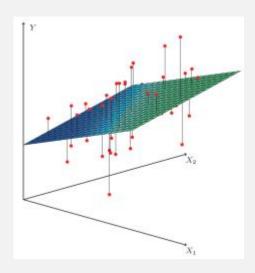
Known as the *normal equations*; solving the system of equations yields b_1 , b_2

Multiple regression in variable space

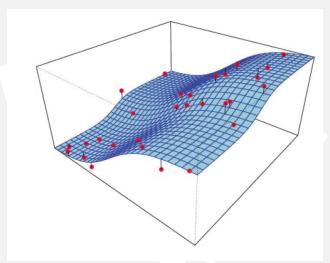
In multiple regression, we have a regression (hyper)plane and an intercept vector to learn, such that the sum of squared distances to the data points is minimal.



Non-linear regression (again) in variable space



 With two explanatory variables, we use a regression plane to predict Y



- Non-linearities by transforms (e.g., $X_1' := X_1^2 + 0.5X_1^3$)
- ... or learned (automatically): Kernel PC-Regression, Local Splines, Neural Networks, etc.

Summary

Take-away

- You know the most popular problems and techniques of modelling in analytics
- You also know how model performance can be measured and you understand the concepts behinde the different approaches
- Finally, you can use (not implement) the most popular algorithms in R to analyse your data (e.g. make predicitions, or find relationships), and understand the R output of these models

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