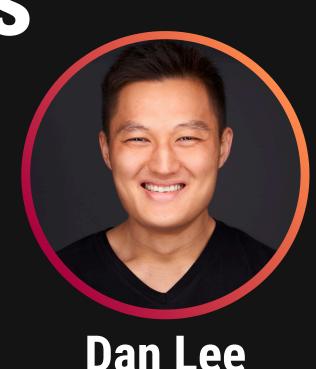
Common ML Algorithms Asked in

Interviews



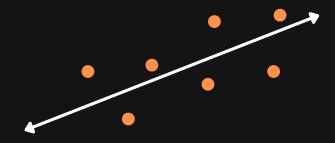


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Linear Regresion

Predicts a continuous outcome by fitting a linear relationship between input features and the target variable.



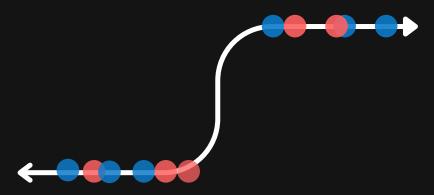
- 1. How does linear regression handle multicollinearity, and why is it a problem?
- 2. What assumptions are made in linear regression, and how can you test for them?
- 3. How do you interpret the coefficients in a linear regression model?





Logistic Regression

Estimates the probability of a binary outcome by applying a logistic function to a linear combination of input features.



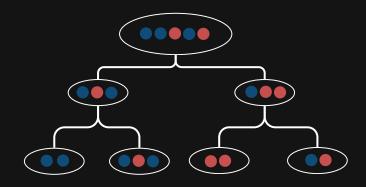
- 1. How do you evaluate the performance of a logistic regression model?
- 2. What is the role of the sigmoid function in logistic regression?
- 3. What is the difference between L1 and L2 regularization in logistic regression?





Decision Tree

Creates a flowchart-like model to make predictions by recursively splitting data based on feature values.



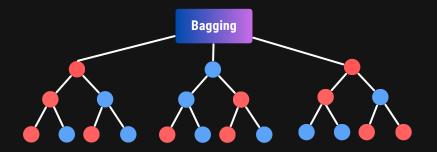
- 1. How does a decision tree handle categorical and continuous variables?
- 2. What are the common metrics used to determine the quality of a split in decision trees?
- 3. How do you prevent overfitting in decision trees?





Random Forest

Combines multiple decision trees to improve prediction accuracy and reduce overfitting by averaging their outputs.



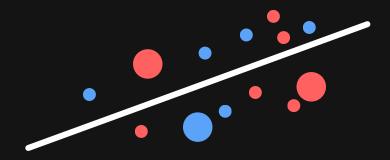
- 1. What is the significance of bootstrapping in random forests?
- 2. How does the random forest algorithm reduce overfitting compared to a single decision tree?
- 3. What is the impact of increasing the number of trees in a random forest?





Boosted Trees

Builds an ensemble of trees sequentially, optimizing each one to correct errors made by the previous trees.



- 1. How does gradient boosting differ from random forests?
- 2. What is the role of the learning rate in gradient boosting?
- 3. How does gradient boosting handle overfitting, and what hyperparameters can you tune to address it?
- 4. Explain how boosting sequentially corrects errors from previous models.





K-Means

Groups data into clusters by minimizing the variance within each cluster based on feature similarity.

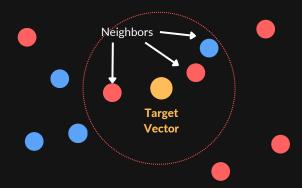
- 1. How do you choose the optimal number of clusters in K-Means?
- 2. What is the role of the centroid in K-Means clustering?
- 3. How does K-Means handle high-dimensional data, and what are the potential challenges?





K-Nearest Neighbor

Predicts the outcome for a data point by analyzing the majority outcome of its closest neighbors in feature space.



- 1. How does the choice of k affect the performance of the KNN algorithm?
- 2. What are the pros and cons of using Euclidean distance as a distance metric in KNN?
- 3. How does KNN handle high-dimensional data, and what are common strategies to address challenges?



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