

## **Example: Attribute Selection with Information Gain**

- ☐ Class P: buys\_computer = "yes"
- ☐ Class N: buys\_computer = "no"

$$Info(D) = I(9,5) = -\frac{9}{14}\log_2(\frac{9}{14}) - \frac{5}{14}\log_2(\frac{5}{14}) = 0.940$$

age	p <sub>i</sub>	ni	I(p <sub>i</sub> , n <sub>i</sub> )
<=30	2	3	0.971
3140	4	0	0
>40	3	2	0.971

age	income	student	credit_rating	buys_computer
<=30	high	no	fair	no
<=30	high	no	excellent	no
3140	high	no	fair	yes
>40	medium	no	fair	yes
>40	low	yes	fair	yes
>40	low	yes	excellent	no
3140	love	-yes		
<=30	readium	no	fair	
<=30	low	yes	fair	yes
>40	medium	yes	fair	yes
<=30	medium	yes	excellent	yes
3140	medium	no	excellent	yes
3140	high	yes	fair	yes
>40	medium	no	excellent	no

$$Info_{age}(D) = \frac{5}{14}I(2,3) + \frac{4}{14}I(4,0) + \frac{5}{14}I(3,2) = 0.694$$

 $\frac{5}{14}I(2,3)$  means "age <=30" has 5 out of 14 samples, with 2 yes'es and 3 no's.

Hence

$$Gain(age) = Info(D) - Info_{age}(D) = 0.246$$
  
Similarly, we can get

Gain(income) = 0.029

Gain(student) = 0.151

$$Gain(credit\_rating) = 0.048$$