

## DECISION TREE: CONNECTING NODES

A Decision Tree is a diagram or chart that is used to define/determine a course of action or show a statistically probability.

→ Each branch of the decision tree represents a possible decision, outcome or reaction.

## WHY DO WE USE DECISION TREE?

Decision tree provides an effective method of decision making because they...

↳ Provide a framework to quantify the values of outcomes and the probabilities of achieving them.

↳ Allow us to analyze fully the possible consequences of a decision.

NOTE :

\* → A primary advantage for using a decision tree is that it is easy to follow and understand.

#### FACTORS OF DECISION TREE :

The Decision Trees are composed of three parts...

→ DECISION NODES - Denoting choice.

→ CHANCE NODES - Denoting probability

→ END NODES - Denoting outcomes.

↳ Decision Trees can be used to deal with complex datasets, and can be pruned if necessary to avoid overfitting.

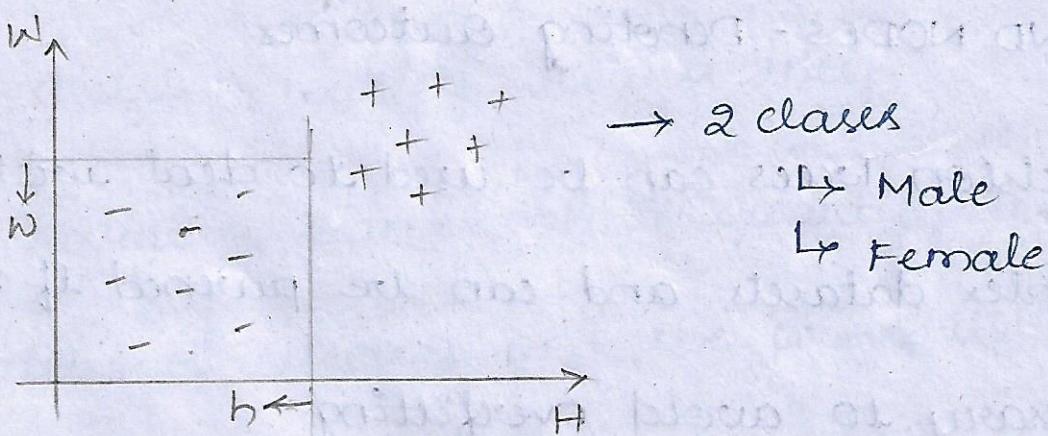
→ As we know that, Decision trees is  
that where the data is continuously  
split according to a certain parameter.

→ So, the tree can be explained by two  
entities, i.e., Decision Nodes & leaves.

\* → Decision Tree helps in both classifi-  
cation and Regression.

\* → Decision Tree creates If-else statements,  
on its own.

### CLASSIFICATION:



$h \& w$  are less than  $H \& W$  which belongs  
to female class.

→ In Programmatic level.

`if - if (height < H and weight < W):`

`Print("FEMALE")`

`else:`

`Print("MALE")`

But Mathematically, we can't write so,

Geometrically - IT GIVES AXIS PARALLEL  
LINES

NOTE :

As the depth of the decision tree grows  
the statements will be complex.

DEPTH SIZE :

The depth of a decision tree is the length  
of the longest path from a root to a leaf.

↳ The size of a decision tree is the  
number of nodes in the tree.

## NOTE:

→ If each node of the decision tree makes a binary decision, the size can be as large as  $2^d + 1 - 1$ , where 'd' is the depth.

## ENTROPY:

It is a measure of the randomness in the information being processed.

→ In other words, it refers to disorder or uncertainty.

## NOTE:

\* The higher the entropy, the harder it is to draw any conclusions from that data/information.

→ Entropy in Decision Tree stands for homogeneity.

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## The Mathematical formulae for Entropy

is

$$H(Y) = -\sum_{i=1}^k P_i \cdot \log_2(P_i)$$

where

$P_i$  - Frequentist probability of an element/class 'i' in the data.

→ If there are 2 classes i.e., +ve & -ve.

∴ 'i' here could be '+ve' (or) '-ve'.

### INFORMATION GAIN:

It is the reduction in Entropy (or)

is surprise by transforming a dataset and  
often is used in decision trees.

→ It is calculated by comparing the entropy of the dataset before and after a transformation.

Mathematically, it is written as

$$IG(Y, X) = H(Y) - H(Y|X)$$

→ We simply subtract the entropy of  $Y$  given  $X$  from the entropy of just  $Y$  to calculate the reduction of entropy.

$IG(Y, X)$  - for variable ' $Y$ ' with respect to:  
all features in the data.

$$\Rightarrow IG(Y, X) = H(Y) - \sum \left\{ \frac{|D_i|}{|D|} * H_{D_i}(Y) \right\}$$

\* Information retrieval is a field of  
Information gain.

\* Information Gain is the increase or  
decrease in Entropy value when the node  
is split.

\* →  $IG$  is the reduction of the entropy.

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## ENTROPY EXAMPLE:

CASE - 1 :

X				
Y				

For the above example, let us consider that there are around 100 data points.

CLASS  $\begin{cases} +ve \\ -ve \end{cases}$   $\Rightarrow$  DECISION -  $\begin{cases} Y(+ve) = 0 \\ Y(-ve) = 100. \end{cases}$

$\rightarrow H(Y) = 0$  since every thing is constant.

$$\Rightarrow H(Y) = - \sum_{i=1}^k p_i * \log_2(p_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow H(Y) = - \{ p(Y_{+ve}) \cdot \log_2 p(Y_{+ve}) + p(Y_{-ve}) \cdot \log_2 p(Y_{-ve}) \}$$

$$\Rightarrow H(Y) = - \{ 0 \cdot \log_2 p(0) + 100 \cdot \log_2 p(100) \}$$

$$\Rightarrow H(Y) = - \{ 0 + 100 \cdot \log_2 p(100) \}$$

$$\Rightarrow H(Y) = 0.$$

$\hookrightarrow$  As there is no randomness, we get the output as '0'.

CASE - II:

$$\Rightarrow \text{Decision} - \begin{cases} Y(+ve) = 50 \\ Y(-ve) = 50 \end{cases} \rightarrow H(Y) = \text{Max}$$

$$\Rightarrow H(Y) = - \sum_{i=1}^K p(Y_i) \cdot \log p(Y_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow H(Y) = - \left\{ \frac{1}{2} * \log_2(0.5) + \frac{1}{2} * \log_2(0.5) \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow H(Y) = -1 \times \log_2(0.5)$$

$$\Rightarrow H(Y) = -1 \times (-1)$$

$$\Rightarrow H(Y) = 1$$

CASE - III:

$$\Rightarrow \text{Decision} - \begin{cases} Y(+ve) = 100 \\ Y(-ve) = 0 \end{cases} \rightarrow H(Y) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow H(Y) = - \sum_{i=1}^K p(Y_i) \cdot \log p(Y_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow H(Y) = - \{ 100 \cdot \log_2(100) + 0 \cdot \log_2(0) \}$$

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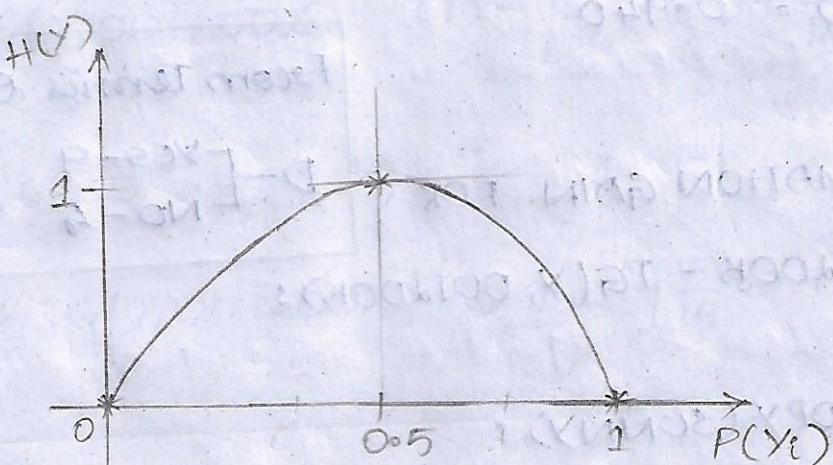
$$\Rightarrow H(Y) = 0.$$

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So, from the above 3 cases, we can say that,

$$H(Y) = \begin{cases} \text{MAX} - 1 \\ \text{MIN} - 0 \end{cases}$$

Graphically,



From the Tennis Dataset, lets find the Entropy and also the Information Gain.

FOR OUTLOOK :

OUTLOOK	YES	NO	TOTAL
SUNNY	2	3	5
OVERCAST	4	0	4
RAINY	3	2	5

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(i) ENTROPY =  $H(Y)$  FOR TOTAL TENNIS GAME:

$$\Rightarrow H(Y) = - \sum_{i=1}^K p(Y_i) \cdot \log_2 p(Y_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow H(Y) = - \left\{ \frac{5}{14} \log_2 \left( \frac{5}{14} \right) + \frac{9}{14} \log_2 \left( \frac{9}{14} \right) \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow H(Y) = - \{ (-0.530) + (-0.409) \}$$

$$\Rightarrow H(Y) = 0.940$$

(ii) INFORMATION GAIN FOR

From Tennis Data

$$D = \begin{cases} \text{YES} - 9 \\ \text{NO} - 5 \end{cases}$$

OUTLOOK -  $IG(Y, \text{OUTLOOK})$ :

(a) ENTROPY (SUNNY):

$$= - \left\{ \frac{2}{5} \log_2 \left( \frac{2}{5} \right) + \frac{3}{5} \cdot \log_2 \left( \frac{3}{5} \right) \right\}$$

$$= - \{ (-0.528) + (-0.442) \}$$

$$= 0.970$$

(b) ENTROPY (OVERCAST):

$$= - \left\{ \frac{4}{4} \cdot \log_2 \left( \frac{4}{4} \right) + \frac{0}{4} \cdot \log_2 \left( \frac{0}{4} \right) \right\}$$

$$= - \{ (0) + (0) \}$$

$$= 0$$

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(c) ENTROPY (RAINY):

$$= - \left\{ \frac{3}{5} \cdot \log_2 \left( \frac{3}{5} \right) + \frac{2}{5} \cdot \log_2 \left( \frac{2}{5} \right) \right\}$$

$$= - \{ (-0.442) + (-0.528) \}$$

$$= 0.970$$

$$\Rightarrow IG(Y, OUTLOOK) = (i) - \left[ \frac{5}{14} \times (a) + \frac{4}{14} \times (b) + \frac{5}{14} \times (c) \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow IG(Y, OUTLOOK) = 0.940 - \left[ \frac{5}{14} \times 0.97 + \frac{4}{14} \times 0 + \frac{5}{14} \times 0.97 \right]$$

$$= 0.940 - [0.346 + 0.346]$$

$$= 0.940 - [0.692]$$

$$= 0.246$$

$$\Rightarrow IG(Y, OUTLOOK) \approx 0.25$$

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$$\Rightarrow IG(Y, WIND) = 0.0482$$

$$\Rightarrow IG(Y, HUMIDITY) = 0.1518$$

$$\Rightarrow IG(Y, TEMPERATURE) = 0.0292$$