MACHINE LEARNING (LAB-3)

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1. Performance Comparison & 2. Tree Characteristics Analysis

mushrooms.csv

DECISION TREE CONSTRUCTION DEMO

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Total samples: 8124 Training samples: 6499 Testing samples: 1625

Constructing

OVERALL PERFORMANCE METRICS

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Accuracy: 1.0000 (100.00%) Precision (weighted): 1.0000 Recall (weighted): 1.0000 F1-Score (weighted): 1.0000 Precision (macro): 1.0000 Recall (macro):

1.0000 F1-Score (macro): 1.0000 TREE COMPLEXITY METRICS

1. Maximum Depth: 4 Total Nodes: 29 Leaf Nodes: 24 Internal Nodes: 5

Screenshot:

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PS C:\Users\91991\Desktop\ml\week3-copy> python test.py --ID EC_C_PES2UG24Cs810_Lab3 --data mushrooms.csv

Running tests with PYTORCH framework

target column: 'class' (last column)
Original dataset info:
Shape: (8124, 23)
Columns: 'cap-shape', 'cap-surface', 'cap-color', 'bruises', 'odor', 'gill-attachment', 'gill-spacing', 'gill-size', 'gill-color', 'stalk-shape', 'stalk-root', 'stalk-surface-above-ring', 'stalk-surface-below-ring', 'stalk-color-above-ring', 'stalk-color-above-ring', 'stalk-color-above-ring', 'ring-number', 'ring-type', 'spore-print-color', 'population', 'habitat', 'class']

First few rows:

cap-shape: ['x' 'b' 's' 't' 'k'] -> [5 0 4 2 3]

cap-surface: ['s' 'y' 'f' 'g'] -> [2 3 0 1]

cap-color: ['n' 'y' 'w' 'g' 'e'] -> [4 9 8 3 2]

class: ['p' 'e'] -> [1 0]

Processed dataset shape: torch.Size([8124, 23])
Number of features: 22

Features: ['cap-shape', 'cap-surface', 'cap-color', 'bruises', 'odor', 'gill-attachment', 'gill-spacing', 'gill-size', 'gill-color', 'stalk-shape', 'stalk-root', 'stalk-surface-above-ring', 'stalk-surface-below-ring', 'stalk-color-above-ring', 'spore-print-color', 'population', 'habitat']

Target: class
Framework: PYTORCH
Data type: <class 'torch.Tensor'>

DECISION TREE CONSTRUCTION DEMO

Thtal samples: 8124
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olor', 'stalk-shape', 'stalk-root', 'stalk-surface-above-ring', 'stalk-surface-below-ring', 'stalk-color-above-ring', 'stalk-color-below-ring', 'veil-type', 'veil-color', 'ring-number', 'ring-type', 'spore-print-color', 'population', 'habitat']
Target: class
Framework: PYTORCH
Data type: <class 'torch.Tensor'>
DECISION TREE CONSTRUCTION DEMO
Total samples: 8124
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Constructing decision tree using training data...
Decision tree construction completed using PYTORCH!
OVERALL PERFORMANCE METRICS
Accuracy: 1.0000 Precision (weighted): 1.0000
                              1.0000 (100.00%)
Recall (weighted): 1.0000
F1-Score (weighted): 1.0000
Precision (macro):
                             1.0000
1.0000
Recall (macro):
F1-Score (macro):
TREE COMPLEXITY METRICS
Maximum Depth:
                              29
24
Leaf Nodes:
Internal Nodes:
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Screenshot of tree

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Decision tree construction completed using PYTORCH!
△ DECISION TREE STRUCTURE
Root [odor] (gain: 0.9083)
   = 0:
    - Class 0
   = 1:
    Class 1
   = 2:
    Class 1
    - Class 0
   = 4:
    Class 1
   = 5:
      - [spore-print-color] (gain: 0.1469)
       = 0:
        - Class 0
       = 1:
        - Class 0
       = 2:
        ├─ Class 0
       = 3:
        ├─ Class 0
       = 4:
        ├─ Class 0
       = 5:
         — Class 1
       = 7:
          - [habitat] (gain: 0.2218)
           = 0:
              - [gill-size] (gain: 0.7642)
               = 0:
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Tictactoe.csv

DECISION TREE CONSTRUCTION DEMO

Total samples: 958 Training samples: 766 Testing samples: 192

OVERALL PERFORMANCE METRICS

Accuracy: 0.8730 (87.30%) Precision (weighted): 0.8741 Recall (weighted): 0.8730 F1-Score (weighted): 0.8734 Precision (macro): 0.8590 Recall (macro): 0.8638 F1-Score (macro): 0.8613

TREE COMPLEXITY METRICS

Maximum Depth: 7 Total Nodes: 281 Leaf Nodes: 180 Internal Nodes: 101

Screenshot:

Screenshot of tree:

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DECISION TREE CONSTRUCTION DEMO
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Total samples: 958
Training samples: 766
Testing samples: 192
Constructing decision tree using training data...
Decision tree construction completed using PYTORCH!
♠ DECISION TREE STRUCTURE
Root [middle-middle-square] (gain: 0.0834)
    — [bottom-left-square] (gain: 0.1056)
     - = 0:
      [top-right-square] (gain: 0.9024)
       - = 1:
         — Class 0
      — Class 1
      = 1:
        - [top-right-square] (gain: 0.2782)
        - = 0:
         - Class 0
        - = 1:
         — Class 0
        - = 2:
          ├── [top-left-square] (gain: 0.1767)
├── = 0:
             [bottom-right-square] (gain: 0.9183)
              - = 1:
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- Class 0
                       = 2:
                       ├─ Class 1
                      [top-right-square] (gain: 0.9183)
                       - Class 0
                       = 1:
                       - Class 0
                       = 2:
                       ├─ Class 1
                   ├─ Class 1
              - Class 1
OVERALL PERFORMANCE METRICS
Accuracy:
                     0.8723 (87.23%)
Precision (weighted): 0.8734
Recall (weighted): 0.8723
F1-Score (weighted): 0.8728
Precision (macro): 0.8586
Recall (macro):
                     0.8634
F1-Score (macro):
                    0.8609
TREE COMPLEXITY METRICS
Maximum Depth:
                     7
Total Nodes:
                     283
Leaf Nodes:
                     181
Internal Nodes:
                  102
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Nursery.csv

DECISION TREE CONSTRUCTION DEMO

Total samples: 12960 Training samples: 10368 Testing samples: 2592

OVERALL PERFORMANCE METRICS

Accuracy: 0.9867 (98.67%) Precision (weighted): 0.9876 Recall (weighted): 0.9867 F1-Score (weighted): 0.9872 Precision (macro): 0.7604 Recall (macro): 0.7654 F1-Score (macro): 0.7628

TREE COMPLEXITY METRICS

Maximum Depth: 7 Total Nodes: 952 Leaf Nodes: 680 Internal Nodes: 272

Screenshot:

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Running tests with PYTORCH framework
 target column: 'class' (last column)
Original dataset info:
Shape: (12960, 9)
Columns: ['parents', 'has_nurs', 'form', 'children', 'housing', 'finance', 'social', 'health', 'class']
First few rows:
parents: ['usual' 'pretentious' 'great pret'] -> [2 1 0]
has_nurs: ['proper' 'less_proper' 'improper' 'critical' 'very_crit'] -> [3 2 1 0 4]
form: ['complete' 'completed' 'incomplete' 'foster'] -> [0 1 3 2]
class: ['recommend' 'priority' 'not_recom' 'very_recom' 'spec_prior'] -> [2 1 0 4 3]
Processed dataset shape: torch.Size([12960, 9])
Number of features: 8
Features: ['parents', 'has_nurs', 'form', 'children', 'housing', 'finance', 'social', 'health']
Target: class
Framework: PYTORCH
Data type: <class 'torch.Tensor'>
DECISION TREE CONSTRUCTION DEMO
Total samples: 12960
Training samples: 10368
Testing samples: 2592
Constructing decision tree using training data...
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Features: ['parents', 'has_nurs', 'form', 'children', 'housing', 'finance', 'social', 'health']
Target: class
Framework: PYTORCH
Data type: <class 'torch.Tensor'>
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                       0.7628
TREE COMPLEXITY METRICS
Maximum Depth:
                        952
Total Nodes:
Leaf Nodes:
                        680
Internal Nodes:
                        272
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Screenshot of tree:

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- Class 1
                = 1:
                 — Class 1
                = 2:
                 ├─ Class 3
                = 3:
                 ├─ Class 3
             = 2:
             ├─ Class 3
            = 3:
             ├─ Class 3
- = 1:
   [social] (gain: 0.4640)
   - = 0:
     Class 1
    = 1:
         [housing] (gain: 0.1885)
       - = 0:
         [finance] (gain: 0.5578)
           - = 0:
             — Class 1
           - = 1:
              — [form] (gain: 0.3555)
               - = 0:
                 ├─ Class 3
               - = 1:
                 — Class 1
                = 2:
                 ├─ Class 3
               - = 3:
                 ├─ Class 3
        - = 1:
         — [form] (gain: 0.1011)
           - = 0:
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- Class 1
                        [form] (gain: 0.9928)
                        = 0:
                           - Class 1
                        = 1:
                         Class 1
                        = 2:
                         ├─ Class 3
                        = 3:
                         ─ Class 3
                    = 2:
                       - Class 3
                    = 3:
                     — Class 3
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The Mushroom dataset gave the **best results**, with **100% accuracy**. This is because a single feature (*odor*) almost completely determines edibility. The Nursery dataset followed with **98.6% accuracy**, still very high but requiring a much larger tree due to more attributes and class imbalance. TicTacToe was the most difficult, with only **87% accuracy**, since predicting game outcomes requires combining many board positions and strategies.

The **Mushroom dataset** produced a very **shallow and simple tree**, with a maximum depth of 4 and only 29 nodes in total. The root attribute selected was *odor*, which makes sense because odor alone is a strong indicator of edibility. This tree is highly interpretable and efficient.

The **Nursery dataset** produced a much **larger and more complex tree**, with a maximum depth of 7 and nearly 952 nodes. Early splits were based on attributes like *finance* and *housing*, which play an important role in admission decisions. The size of this tree reflects the dataset's complexity, as many different conditions must be checked to classify each case.

The **TicTacToe dataset** generated a tree of depth 7 with around 281 nodes. The root node selected was the *middle-middle-square*, which aligns with the well-known strategy that controlling the center is critical in TicTacToe. The tree then branched into other squares like *bottom-left*. This structure shows that while the model captures some important strategies, the game's combinatorial nature makes it harder to achieve perfect classification.

3. Dataset-Specific Insights

Mushroom Dataset

- Feature Importance: The attribute *odor* is the most important. With just this feature, most classifications are correct.
- Class Distribution: Balanced between edible and poisonous, which helps the model.
- Decision Patterns: If odor is foul \rightarrow poisonous, if none \rightarrow edible. Very straightforward paths.
- Overfitting Indicators: None. The tree is shallow and achieves perfect accuracy.

Nursery Dataset

- Feature Importance: *Finance*, *housing*, and *health* strongly affect classification.
- Class Distribution: Imbalanced, with many "not_recom" cases compared to others.

- Decision Patterns: Early splits usually check financial status and housing.
- Overfitting Indicators: Large tree (952 nodes). Some signs of overfitting, but accuracy is still high.

TicTacToe Dataset

- Feature Importance: *Middle-middle-square* is the most critical feature, matching game strategy.
- Class Distribution: Balanced between positive and negative outcomes.
- Decision Patterns: If the center is occupied by X, the tree leans towards a win; otherwise explores edge and corner squares.
- Overfitting Indicators: Moderate tree depth. Some overfitting since accuracy is lower and patterns are not fully captured.

4. Comparative Analysis Report

a) Algorithm Performance

• Highest Accuracy: Mushroom dataset achieved the highest accuracy (100%) because of a strong single feature (*odor*) that dominates classification.

Effect of Dataset Size:

Mushroom (8124 samples): Medium-sized dataset, but because of one very strong feature (*odor*), the tree stayed shallow and easy to interpret. Dataset size did not make it complex.

Nursery (12960 samples): The largest dataset. More samples and more classes made the tree deeper (7 levels) and very large (952 nodes). Accuracy stayed high, but interpretability dropped.

TicTacToe (958 samples): Smallest dataset, but still produced a moderately deep tree because no single feature dominates. Accuracy was lower (87%), showing that size alone doesn't guarantee performance — the feature interactions matter more.

• Role of Features: When one feature is highly predictive (odor), accuracy is perfect with a small tree. When many features interact (TicTacToe), accuracy drops.

b) Data Characteristics Impact

- Class Imbalance: In Nursery, imbalance increased tree size but accuracy stayed good. In balanced datasets like Mushroom and TicTacToe, the splits were simpler but outcomes varied in accuracy.
- Binary vs Multi-Valued Features: Multi-valued features (like odor or housing) help trees split cleanly. Binary features (like X/O) often require deeper trees, as in TicTacToe.

c) Practical Applications

- Mushroom: Food safety, edible vs poisonous classification. Very interpretable and reliable.
- Nursery: Admission or resource allocation decisions. Complex but explainable rules.
- TicTacToe: Game AI and strategy modeling. Highlights tree limitations, better solved with ensembles or reinforcement learning.

d) Improvements

- Mushroom: Already perfect, no improvements needed.
- Nursery: Apply pruning or Random Forest to simplify and reduce overfitting.
- TicTacToe: Use ensemble models (Random Forest, Gradient Boosting) or neural networks to capture complex strategies.