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Random Forest Algorithm

Input:

- Dataset D with features X and labels Y
- Number of trees T
- Number of features to consider at each split m .

Output:

- A forest (ensemble) of decision trees for prediction.

Algorithm:

1. Initialize:

- Choose the number of trees T
- Set the number of features m to consider for splitting (\sqrt{n} for classification, $n/3$ for regression, where n is total features)

2. For each tree $t = 1$ to T :

- Draw a bootstrap sample from the training data (sample with replacement)
- Train a Decision Tree on this sample
 - At each node
 - Randomly select m features from the total n features
 - Find the best split among the selected features.
 - Split the node and repeat recursively

Tree is grown to the maximum depth or until minimum node size is reached

3. End for

4. Prediction :

For prediction

- Each tree votes for a class
- Final prediction = majority vote.

For regression :

- Each tree gives a value
- Final prediction = average of all tree outputs.

AdaBoost Classifier Algorithm

Goal: combining multiple weak classifiers to build a strong classifier

Input:

Training data

$$D = \{(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)\}$$

where $y_i \in \{-1, +1\}$.

Number of boosting rounds : T

Output:

Final strong classifier

$$H(n) \neq$$

Algorithm:

1. Initialize sample weights
Assign equal weights to all training examples.

$$w_1(i) = \frac{1}{n}, \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

2. For each boosting round $t = 1$ to T :

- a. Train a weak classifier $h_t(n)$:
- Train using the current weights

- b. Compute the weighted classification errors

- c. Compute the importance (weight) of the weak classifier.

- d. Update sample weights

$$w_{t+1}(i) = w_t(i) \cdot \exp(-\alpha_t y_i h_t(x_i))$$

- misclassified samples will have their weights increased
- Normalize the weights

3. Final strong classifier:

$$H(x) = \text{sign} \left(\sum_{t=1}^T \alpha_t h_t(x) \right)$$

- It is a weighted majority vote of all weak classifiers