

ID3(*Examples*, *Target_attribute*, *Attributes*)

Examples are the training examples. *Target_attribute* is the attribute whose value is to be predicted by the tree. *Attributes* is a list of other attributes that may be tested by the learned decision tree. Returns a decision tree that correctly classifies the given *Examples*.

- Create a *Root* node for the tree
- If all *Examples* are positive, Return the single-node tree *Root*, with label = +
- If all *Examples* are negative, Return the single-node tree *Root*, with label = -
- If *Attributes* is empty, Return the single-node tree *Root*, with label = most common value of *Target_attribute* in *Examples*
- Otherwise Begin
 - $A \leftarrow$ the attribute from *Attributes* that best* classifies *Examples*
 - The decision attribute for *Root* $\leftarrow A$
 - For each possible value, v_i , of A ,
 - Add a new tree branch below *Root*, corresponding to the test $A = v_i$
 - Let $Examples_{v_i}$ be the subset of *Examples* that have value v_i for A
 - If $Examples_{v_i}$ is empty
 - Then below this new branch add a leaf node with label = most common value of *Target_attribute* in *Examples*
 - Else below this new branch add the subtree
ID3($Examples_{v_i}$, *Target_attribute*, $Attributes - \{A\}$)
- End
- Return *Root*