DSE, ICEF, Fall 2023 Midterm-demo

- 1. The random variable X takes three values: 1, 2 and 3 with probabilities p_1 , p_2 and p_3 . How the entropy of X will change if we split each value v into two new values, v - 0.1 and v + 0.1, with equal probabilities $p_v/2$?
- 2. The random variable X takes three values: 1, 2 and 3. There are two probability measures, p and q, $\mathbb{P}(X = 1) = 0.2$, $\mathbb{P}(X = 2) = 0.3$, $\mathbb{P}(X = 3) = 0.5$.
 - (a) Find the probabilities Q(X=1), Q(X=2), Q(X=3) that maximize cross-entropy CE(p||q).
 - (b) Find the probabilities Q(X = 1), Q(X = 2), Q(X = 3) that maximize cross-entropy CE(q||p).

Hint: you may use python if you can't solve the first order conditions by hand.

- 3. Consider the 1\$ lottery ticket that pays you either 5\$ or nothing with equal probabilities.

 How much of your current wellfare should you invest in this lottery to maximize the long-term interest rate?
- 4. The response variable is binary. Elon Musk has split the node of a tree according to the new X-criterion into two non-empty child nodes.

Can the Gini impurity index increase after this splitting?

- 5. I have a toy dataset of 5 observations. All values of all variables are pairwise different. Consider the random forest algorithm.
 - (a) What is the probability that the first tree will use five identical observations?
 - (b) What is the probability that the second tree will use all five initial observations?
- 6. Random variables $y_1, y_2, ..., y_n$ is the initial random sample from uniform distribution on [0; 1]. Consider one of the bootstrap samples, $y_1^*, y_2^*, ..., y_n^*$.
 - (a) What is the probability that y_5 will be included exactly 3 times in the bootstrap sample?
 - (b) What is the limit of probability in the point (a) when $n \to \infty$?
 - (c) Find the probability $\mathbb{P}(\max\{y_1,\ldots,y_n\}) > \max\{y_1^*,\ldots,y_n^*\}$.