# **Assignment 4: Decision Trees**

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## **Automatic Testing Guidelines**

Automatic unittesting requires you, as a student, to submit a notebook which contains strictly defined objects. Strictness of definition consists of unified shapes, dtypes, variable names, and more.

Within the notebook, we provide detailed instructions which you should follow in order to maximize your final grade. Please keep in mind:

- Don't add any cells but use the ones provided by us. You may notice that most cells are tagged such that the unittest routine can recognise them.
- We highly recommend you to develop your code within the provided cells. You can
  implement helper functions where needed unless you put them in the same cell they
  are actually called. Always make sure that implemented functions have the correct
  output and given variables contain the correct data type. Don't import any other
  packages than listed in the cell with the "imports" tag.
- Never use variables you defined in another cell in your functions directly; always
  pass them to the function as a parameter. In the unittest they won't be available
  either.

Good luck!:)

## Dataset

For this notebook to compile without problems, make sure that the required dataset files (provided as a zip folder via Moodle) are (unpacked and) stored in a folder called "dataset". Also make sure that this folder and the additional Python file, provided via Moodle, are in the same folder as the notebook.

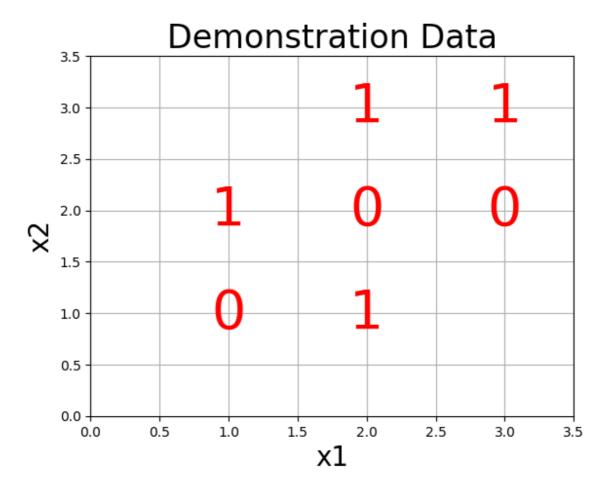
**Note:** The execution of this notebook will take a while, i.e., it might run for 20-30 minutes. For testing purposes, you might work with a reduced dataset (Task 4) but make sure to report the numbers etc. for the whole dataset!

# Task 1: Gini Impurity

In this task, we will recall the most important concepts of decision trees by walking you through a simple example. On the way you have to solve some exercises to gain basic insights. Let's start with a toy dataset for one tree.

```
In [1]: # nothing to do here
        import numpy as np
        import pandas as pd
        import sys
        import time
        import numpy as np
        from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
        from sklearn import model_selection, svm
        from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
        from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsClassifier
        from mnist_loader import MNIST
        %matplotlib inline
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
        from matplotlib import style
        from matplotlib.figure import Figure
        from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, confusion_matrix
        from sklearn.model_selection import RandomizedSearchCV
        # Set random seed to ensure reproducible runs
        RSEED = 50
In [2]: # a simple data set for demonstration
        # nothing to do here
        X = np.array([[2, 2],
                      [2, 1],
                      [2, 3],
                      [1, 2],
                      [1, 1],
                      [3, 3],
                      [3, 2]])
        y = np.array([0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0])
In [3]: # nothing to do here. Just execute the cell for a proper visualization!
        %matplotlib inline
        # plot each point as the label
        for x1, x2, label in zip(X[:, 0], X[:, 1], y):
            plt.text(x1, x2, str(label), fontsize = 40, color = 'r',
                     ha='center', va='center')
        # plot formatting
        plt.grid(None)
        plt.xlim((0, 3.5))
        plt.ylim((0, 3.5))
        plt.xlabel('x1', size = 20); plt.ylabel('x2', size = 20); plt.title('Demonstrati
```

Out[3]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Demonstration Data')



A **Decision Tree Classifier (DTC)** builds a decision tree based on the features of the data. This is equivalent to subdividing the feature space. Let's consider the example above and apply a simple heuristics. In the first step we try to subdivide the space such that we obtain the *largest possible leaf (subdivision)* that contains only **one class**.

We first look at the feature  $x_2$ , i.e. a horizontal division of the space. For example, we could divide the space at the specific threshold  $x_2=2.5$ . Then we end up having a group of samples with features  $x_2>2.5$  and homogenous class label 1, i.e. the two points with coordinates  $\{(2,3),(3,3)\}$ . If we instead look at the feature  $x_1$ , corresponding to a vertical division of the space, we cannot find an equally large or larger group of samples with the same label. Therefore, our first node in the tree is:  $x_2 \leq 2.5$ , i.e. we split the space and repeat the same procedure on each of the two leafs. In our case we are done with the top leaf (since both samples have the same class) and only need to repeat the procedure on the bottom leaf.

Our simple heuristics from above fails on the bottom node. We need a better criterion to decide which splits to make.

Nowadays the most frequently used one is called the **Gini Impurity**.

The Gini Impurity is a measure of how often a randomly chosen element from the set would be incorrectly labeled, if it was randomly labeled according to the distribution of labels in the subset.

What does that mean?

- 1. Let us suppose we have 2 labels and let  $p_1,p_2$  be the fractions of points labeled with labels 1 and 2 (note:  $p_1+p_2=1$ ) .
- 2. The probabilty to choose a point with label 1 is  $p_1$ .
- 3. The probability to choose label 2 is  $p_2 = 1 p_1$ .
- 4. Therefore, the probability to label a point of label 1 with label 2 is

$$p_1 \cdot p_2 = p_1 \cdot (1-p_1) = p_1 - p_1^2.$$

5. Analogously, the probability for points with label 2 to be labeled with 1 is

$$p_2 \cdot (1 - p_2) = p_2 - p_2^2$$

6. The Gini Impurity is the sum over both:

$$p_1 - p_1^2 + p_2 - p_2^2 = p_1 + p_2 - p_1^2 - p_2^2 = 1 - p_1^2 - p_2^2$$

The above reasoning is easy to generalize to the case where the number of labels M is larger than two: M>2.

The formula for the given dataset Z is simply  $I_G(Z) = 1 - \sum_{k=1}^M p_k(Z)^2$ , where  $p_k(Z)$  is the frequency of points with labels k in the dataset Z.

The Gini Impurity Gain is the amount of "impurity" we get rid of for a specific split s.

Let's assume that we get the partition  $Z_{s,1}, \ldots, Z_{s,K_s}$  of Z after applying s.

Then the impurity gain is 
$$g_G(Z,s) = I_G(Z) - \sum_{t=1}^{K_s} rac{|Z_{s,t}|}{|Z|} \cdot I_G(Z_{s,t})$$

## 1.1 Calculation (15 points):

- Calculate the Gini impurity for our toy dataset
- Calculate the Gini impurity for the top and bottom leaf in a given split
- Calculate the Gini impurity gain for a given split in the toy dataset

To do this, implement the necessary calculations into the function calc\_gini and return the 4 solutions.

**Note:** Your implementation should work for any dataset similar to the toy dataset (i.e. binary labels, two dimensional)!

```
In [4]: def calc_gini(X:np.ndarray, y:np.ndarray, split:float, entry:int):
    """Function that calculates the Gini Impurity of the whole dataset and of th
    Returns also the impurity gain from this specific split.

Parameters
------
X: np.ndarray
    data matrix
y: np.ndarray
    data vector - labels
split: float
    value at which the split is performed
entry: int
    axis on which the split is performed,
    0 for the first feature (=x-axis) 1 for the second feature (=y-axis)
    Returns
------
```

```
tuple(float,float,float,float)
            Function returns the overall gini impurity, the gini impurity of each of
            and the impurity gain of the split as floats
gini_impurity = None
gini_top = None
gini_bottom = None
impurity_gain = None
#your code ↓↓↓
# formulas: Unit4, p14
# calculate gini impurity: 1 - p(0)^2 - p(1)^2
p_0 = y.tolist().count(0)/len(y)
p_1 = y.tolist().count(1)/len(y)
gini_impurity = 1 - p_0**2 - p_1**2
# calculate gini top and bottom
# get indices of features smaller equals split value
idx_b = list(filter(lambda x: X[x][entry] <= split, range(len(X))))</pre>
# get indices of features greater than split value
idx_t = list(filter(lambda x: X[x][entry] > split, range(len(X))))
# get values by indices
X_b = X[idx_b]
y_b = y[idx_b]
X_t = X[idx_t]
y_t = y[idx_t]
gini_bottom = 1 - (y_b.tolist().count(0)/len(y_b))**2 - (y_b.tolist().count()
gini_top = 1 - (y_t.tolist().count(0)/len(y_t))**2 - (y_t.tolist().count(1)/len(y_t))**2 - (y_t.tolist().count(1)/len(y_t))**3 - (y_t.tolist().c
# calculate gini impurity gain
impurity_gain = gini_impurity - len(y_b)/len(y) * gini_bottom - len(y_t)/len
return gini_impurity, gini_top, gini_bottom, impurity_gain
```

```
In [5]: # nothing to do here, just run the cell
    x2_split_point= 2.5
    gini_impurity, gini_top, gini_bottom, impurity_gain = calc_gini(X,y,x2_split_poi
    print(f"Results for x2 = {x2_split_point}\n")
    print(f"Gini impurity for the entire dataset: {gini_impurity:0.4f}\n"
    f"Gini impurity top leaf: {gini_top:0.4f}\n"
    f"Gini impurity bottom leaf: {gini_bottom:0.4f}\n"
    f"Gini impurity gain: {impurity_gain:0.4f}\n")

    x2_split_point= 1.5
    print(f"Results for x2 = {x2_split_point}\n")
    gini_impurity, gini_top, gini_bottom, impurity_gain = calc_gini(X,y,x2_split_poi
    print(f"Gini impurity for the entire dataset: {gini_impurity:0.4f}\n"
    f"Gini impurity top leaf: {gini_top:0.4f}\n"
    f"Gini impurity bottom leaf: {gini_bottom:0.4f}\n"
    f"Gini impurity gain: {impurity_gain:0.4f}\n"
    f"Gini impurity gain: {impurity_gain:0.4f}\n"
```

```
Results for x2 = 2.5

Gini impurity for the entire dataset: 0.4898
Gini impurity top leaf: 0.0000
Gini impurity bottom leaf: 0.4800
Gini impurity gain: 0.1469

Results for x2 = 1.5

Gini impurity for the entire dataset: 0.4898
Gini impurity top leaf: 0.4800
Gini impurity bottom leaf: 0.5000
Gini impurity gain: 0.0041
```

### 1.2 Question (5 points):

\*Based on the results of Gini impurity for the two different split locations of  $x_2$ , which of the following statements are correct?\*

```
a1_) The top leaf of the split at x_2=1.5 has smaller Gini impurity than the top leaf of the split at x_2=2.5
```

b1\_) The Gini impurity of the entire dataset does not depend on the split location.

c1\_) The Gini impurity gain of the split at  $x_2=1.5$  is smaller than at  $x_2=2.5$ , indicating that  $x_2=1.5$  is a worse splitting point.

To answer the question, assign "True" or "False" boolean values to variables in the next cell. A non-correctly answered question yields negative points and no answer (i.e. answer "None") gives 0 points for a question.

Note: Do not reuse these variable names. They are used for testing.

```
In [7]: #examples for you
    example_of_true_variable = True
    example_of_false_variable = False

#your answers go here
a1_=False
b1_=True
c1_=True
```

## Task 2: Train a simple decision tree

Next, you should provide a Python routine for the previous example. In the cells below there is the function dec\_tree where you have to implement the following for **Task 2.1**:

- Train a decision tree on the dataset X from Task 1 and remember to pass the random seed RSEED defined in the beginning.
- Return the number of tree nodes, the maximum depth of the tree, and the accuracy.

## 2.1 Code (10 points):

```
In [8]: def dec_tree(seed:int, X:np.ndarray, y:np.ndarray):
            """Trains a decision tree and returns certain attributes of the received mod
            Hint: You can use sklearn's DecisionTreeClassifier for this task, don't forg
            Check the sklearn docs for more information on how to access certain attribu
            Parameters
            _____
            seed : int
                Seed for reproducability.
            X : np.ndarray
                np ndarray, data matrix
            y : np.ndarray
                np ndarray, data vector - labels
            Returns
            tuple(float,float,float)
                Returns number of nodes in tree, max depth of the tree and accuracy
            nr_nodes = None
            max depth = None
            acc = None
            #your code ↓↓↓
            clf = DecisionTreeClassifier(random_state=seed)
            clf = clf.fit(X, y)
            nr_nodes = clf.tree_.node_count
            max_depth = clf.tree_.max_depth
            acc = clf.score(X, y)
            return nr_nodes, max_depth, acc
```

```
In [9]: # print number of tree nodes and the maximum depth of tree
nr_nodes, max_depth, acc = dec_tree(RSEED,X,y)
print(f'Decision tree has {nr_nodes} nodes with maximum depth {max_depth}.')
print(f'Model accuracy: {acc}')
```

Decision tree has 11 nodes with maximum depth 4. Model accuracy: 1.0

## Task 3: Decision tree on a real data set

Now we will apply the classifier to a well known real-world benchmark data set, namely the "Fashion MNIST" dataset. It consists of images of clothing, like sneakers and shirts. It was created to be an alternative to the famous MNIST benchmark dataset, which is nowadays considered as too easy for the most recent algorithms. Let us first load the train and test set, using the files provided in Moodle. The train and test data are represented as flattened pixel arrays (28x28=784pixels), and the label vector indicates the different classes (0 to 9).

```
In [10]: # nothing to do here. Just execute the cell
    data = MNIST('./dataset/')
    img_train, labels_train = data.load_training()
    n_train = 6000 # max is 60K
    n_test = 1000 # max is 10K
    x_train = np.array(img_train)
    y_train = np.array(labels_train)
    # x_train = np.array(img_train)[:n_train]
```

```
# y_train = np.array(labels_train)[:n_train]
print(x_train.shape, y_train.shape)

img_test, labels_test = data.load_testing()
x_test = np.array(img_test)
y_test = np.array(labels_test)
# x_test = np.array(img_test)[:n_test]
# y_test = np.array(labels_test)[:n_test]
print(x_train.shape, y_test.shape)

(60000, 784) (60000,)
(60000, 784) (10000,)
```

To know what we are dealing with, let us plot some of the images:

Here, we provide you with a routine that trains a decision tree for the given training set.

The function get\_evaluation should additionally help you to compute accuracies and provide confusion matrices and appropriate heatmaps.

```
In [12]: # nothing to do here. Just execute the cell!
    print('\nPreparing classifier...')
    model = DecisionTreeClassifier(criterion="gini", max_depth=50, splitter="best",
    model.fit(x_train,y_train)

Preparing classifier...

Out[12]: DecisionTreeClassifier(max_depth=50, random_state=50)

In [13]: # nothing to do here. Just execute the cell!
    """
    Evaluates the model and returns accuracy as well as a confusion matrix. Also the    @param model, sklearn model, trained model
    @param x_test, np ndarray, data matrix
    @param y_test, np ndarray, data vector
    """
    def get_evaluation(model, x_test, y_test):
        start = time.time()
```

```
y_pred = model.predict(x_test)
accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)
conf_mat = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred)

print('\nPredicted values: ', y_pred)
print('\nAccuracy of classifier on test image data: ', accuracy)
print('\nConfusion matrix: \n', conf_mat)
print('\nTime: ', time.time()-start)

plt.matshow(conf_mat)
plt.title('Confusion matrix')
plt.colorbar()
plt.ylabel('True label')
plt.xlabel('Predicted label')
return None
```

```
In [14]: # nothing to do here. Just execute the command!
_ = get_evaluation(model, x_test, y_test)
```

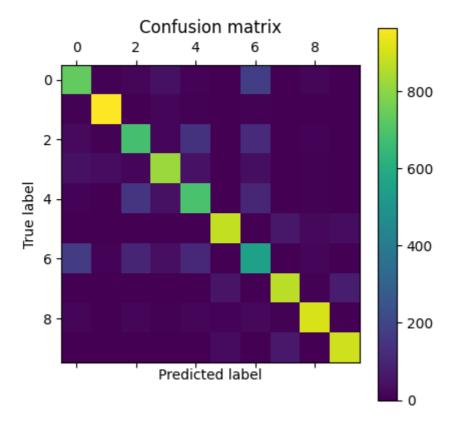
Predicted values: [0 1 6 ... 8 8 2]

Accuracy of classifier on test image data: 0.7983

#### Confusion matrix:

```
8
                3 179
                       1 12
                             0]
[ 5 965
        3 16
                0 5
                          2
                             0]
             4
                       0
[ 24
   4 682 18 140
                3 119
                       0 9
                             1]
[ 43 33 17 818 48
                 1 36
                       0 4
                             0]
    2 147 43 687
                1 103
                      0
[ 10
                         6
                            1]
[ 2 1 1
           2
              2 876
                   1 61 21 33]
   8 99 41 107
                3 553
[172
                      0 16
                            1]
              0 52
                   2 865
                         5 75]
[ 1
     0
       0
          0
[ 18
    2 17
           6 13 11 19
                       6 905
                             3]
           2
              1 27 3 66
                          2 897]]
```

Time: 0.04319477081298828



In order to obtain a better performance, we apply a hyperparameter search in **Task 3.1**.

- To this end create a parameter grid (dictionary) which iterates over the following quantities:
  - criterion : 'gini' and 'entropy'
  - max\_depth : 10, 50 and 100
  - splitter: 'random' and 'best'
  - Hint: Have a look at the documentation of sklearn.model\_selection.RandomizedSearchCV to get an idea of how this parameter grid should look like.
- Use a decision tree classifier and RandomizedSearchCV with 5 iterations and 3 fold cross validation. Use the built-in routines from sklearn for this and don't forget to pass random\_state=RSEED.
- Evaluate the best parameter combination from this model.
- Print the accuracy and plot the confusion matrices and heatmaps of the model evaluated at the test set (use the previously implemented routine get\_evaluation for this).

Again, don't forget to pass the seed in the **decision tree classifier** and **RandomizedSearchCV**. Warning: this may take several minutes;)

### 3.1 Code (25 points):

```
'max_depth': [10, 50, 100],
   'splitter': ['random', 'best']
}
```

```
In [17]: | def train_dec_tree(x_train:np.ndarray,y_train:np.ndarray,param_dict_grid:dict,se
             """Trains a decision tree using cross-validation and returns certain attribu
             parameter combination. Again use (only!) the implementations from sklearn al
             Parameters
             _____
             x train : np.ndarray
                 data matrix
             y_train : np.ndarray
                 data vector - labels
             param_dict_grid : dict
                 dictionary of parameters for grid search (RandomizedSearchCV)
             seed : int
                 seed for reproducability, feed to both RandomizedSearchCV and the Decisi
             n_iter : int
                 number of iterations (RandomizedSearchCV)
             cv : int
                 number of folds in CV (RandomizedSearchCV)
             Returns
             tuple(dict, sklearn.model_selection._search.RandomizedSearchCV)
                 Best model parameters as dict and the best sklearn model fit on the trai
                 Don't forget to fit the final best model on the training data, before re
             classifier = None
             model = None
             model_best_params = None
             #your code ↓↓↓
             classifier = DecisionTreeClassifier(random_state=seed)
             r_clf = RandomizedSearchCV(classifier, random_state=seed, n_iter=5, cv=cv, p
             model = r_clf.fit(x_train, y_train)
             model best params = model.best estimator .get params()
             return model best params, model
```

```
In [18]: # print the results
    params_dec_tree, model_dec_tree = train_dec_tree(x_train,y_train,param_dict_grid
    #print(type(params_dec_tree),type(model_dec_tree))
    _ = get_evaluation(model_dec_tree, x_test, y_test)
    print("The best parameters are: {}".format(params_dec_tree))
```

Predicted values: [0 1 6 ... 8 2 1]

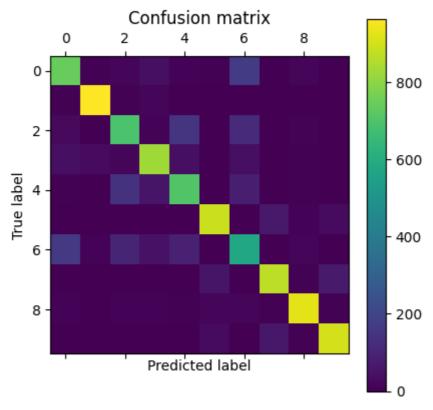
Accuracy of classifier on test image data: 0.8105

#### Confusion matrix:

[[	743	3 6	5 18	39	9 10	9 4	4 168	3 6	12	0]
[	7	966	4	15	2	1	3	0	1	1]
[	23	3	692	10	146	0	115	0	11	0]
[	40	28	16	830	38	1	40	0	5	2]
[	7	2	143	56	704	1	83	0	4	0]
[	3	0	1	2	0	889	1	66	9	29]
[1	60	8	99	48	87	0	581	0	17	0]
[	0	0	0	0	0	56	0	871	5	68]
[	8	1	11	8	4	13	16	6	926	7]
[	0	1	0	0	0	30	0	61	5	903]]

#### Time: 0.035811424255371094

The best parameters are: {'ccp\_alpha': 0.0, 'class\_weight': None, 'criterion': 'entropy', 'max\_depth': 50, 'max\_features': None, 'max\_leaf\_nodes': None, 'min\_impurity\_decrease': 0.0, 'min\_samples\_leaf': 1, 'min\_samples\_split': 2, 'min\_weight\_fraction\_leaf': 0.0, 'random\_state': 50, 'splitter': 'best'}



If you did the task correctly, you should obtain a slightly better result than before.

# Task 4: Comparison with KNN and SVMs

In this task we compare the performace of the Decision Tree Classifier to two other Classifiers, namely KNN and SVM, also evaluated on the Fashion MNIST dataset:

Task 4.1: Implement a KNN classifier with n\_neighbors=5, weights='distance', and p=1. Print the accuracy and plot the confusion matrices and heatmaps of the model evaluated at the test set (again, you can use the previously implemented function get\_evaluation for this).

• Task 4.2: Implement a SVM classifier with C=10, kernel='poly', and gamma='auto'. Print the accuracy and plot the confusion matrices and heatmaps of the model evaluated at the test set (again, you can use the previously implemented function get evaluation for this).

This may also take some time!

Afterwards, answer some questions that correspond to your observations (**Task 4.3**).

### 4.1 Code (10 points):

```
In [27]: def trainKNN(x_train: np.ndarray,y_train:np.ndarray,n_neighbors:int,weights:str,
             """Trains a KNN classifier on the given dataset.
             Again use the sklearn implementation, but no need to set a seed for this cla
             Parameters
             _____
             x train : np.ndarray
                 data matrix
             y_train : np.ndarray
                 data vector - labels
             n_neighbors : int
                 KNN parameter, number of neighbors
             weights : str
                 Knn parameter, mode for weights
             p : float
                 power parameter for the Minkowski metric (see documentation: neighbors.K
             Returns
             _____
             KNeighborsClassifier
                 Returs the trained KNN model.
             model = None
             # your code ↓↓↓
             clf = KNeighborsClassifier(n neighbors=n neighbors, weights=weights, p=p)
             model = clf.fit(x_train, y_train)
             return model
In [28]: # print the results
         knn_model = trainKNN(x_train,y_train,5,'distance',1)
         _ = get_evaluation(knn_model, x_test, y_test)
```

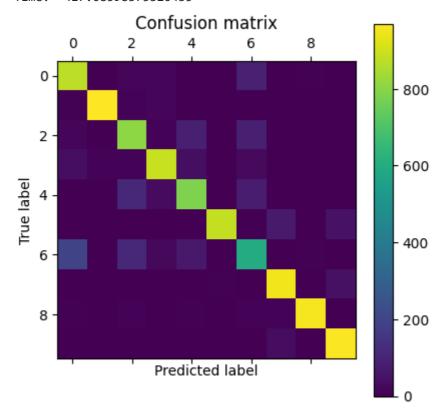
Predicted values: [0 1 2 ... 8 8 2]

Accuracy of classifier on test image data: 0.8671

### Confusion matrix:

[[	875	5 1	L 13	3 12	2 3	3 (	88	3 2	2 6	5 0]
[	5	970	8	14	1	0	2	0	0	0]
[	12	1	804	11	84	0	87	0	1	0]
[	35	9	8	888	35	0	23	0	2	0]
[	3	0	107	27	784	0	78	0	1	0]
[	0	0	0	1	0	881	0	70	1	47]
[1	98	2	111	19	68	0	596	0	6	0]
[	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	949	0	45]
[	4	1	11	0	4	2	8	10	958	2]
[	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	31	0	966]]

Time: 417.08598375320435

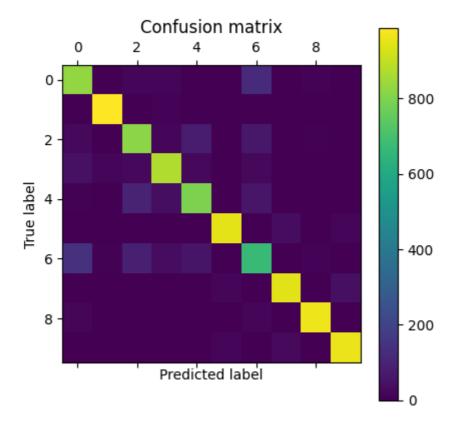


## 4.2 Code (10 points):

```
In [32]: # print the results
    svm_model = trainSVM(x_train,y_train,10,'poly','auto', RSEED)
    print(type(svm_model))
    _ = get_evaluation(svm_model, x_test, y_test)
    <class 'sklearn.svm._classes.SVC'>
    Predicted values: [0 1 2 ... 8 8 1]
    Accuracy of classifier on test image data: 0.8772
    Confusion matrix:
```

```
[[827
     0 19 18 2 1 121 0 10 2]
         8 1 0 2 0 0
[ 1 988 0
                           0]
[ 23
    2 816 13 76
              1 65 0 4
                           0]
[ 44 19 21 870 23
               0 23 0 0
                           0]
              0 58 0 3 0]
[ 7
    3 100 35 794
    0 0 1 0 946 0 31 3 17]
[ 2
[140 6 87 34 57
              0 667
                    0
                       9
                          01
[ 0 0 0 0 0 16 0 942 0 42]
[ 13
             2
              2 13
                     1 963
    0 3
          2
                           1]
                 0 27
   0 0
             0 13
                        1 959]]
 0
          0
```

Time: 71.08413767814636



### 4.3 Code (5 points):

Congrats, you made it this far! Now let's put everything together:)

- Collect all the accuracies of the different classifiers including the decision tree accuracies with best, as well as predefined parameters (from Task 3).
- Additionally assign the found best parameters for the decision tree to the corresponding variables.
- Then, in the next cell, plot the accuracy of the four classifiers (decision tree with fixed parameters, decision tree with the best parameters, KNN, and SVM) in a to compare them. Make sure to only access data that you put into the cell below (with the tag "value\_check"). Use a **bar plot** with y-axis in the range of [0, 1].
- Make another bar plot with the four inference times (in seconds) of the four classifiers.

**Note:** Please assign the numerical values to the variables in float format (i.e. 0.9876 for 98.76% accuracy).

```
In [33]: # Enter accuracies and times with 4-digit precision after the comma, make sure t
# your results \limits \limits
#accuracies (floats) and training time (seconds, also floats)

dec_tree_fixed_params_acc = 0.7983
    dec_tree_fixed_params_time = 0.0432

dec_tree_best_params_acc = 0.8105
    dec_tree_best_params_time = 0.0358

KNN_acc = 0.8671
```

```
KNN_time = 417.0860

SVM_acc = 0.8772
SVM_time = 71.0841

# best parameters dec_tree:

par_splitter_ = 'best'  # str

par_maxdepth_ = 50  # int

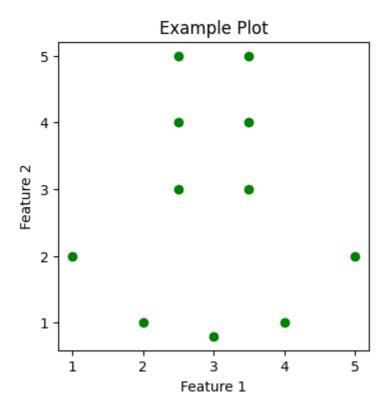
par_criterion_ = 'entropy'  # str
```

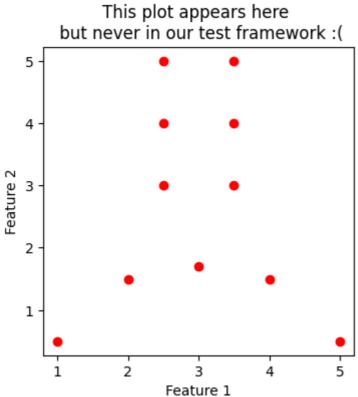
### Interlude: Plotting Guide

```
In [34]:
        # Here is an example plot
         def example_plot(X:np.ndarray,y:np.ndarray):
             """For your convenience we implemented an example plot, to show you what we
             Parameters
             X : np.ndarray
                 data x
             y : np.ndarray
                 data y
             Returns
             matplotlib.figure.Figure
                 a matplotlib figure object
             # This creates a figure object - you can imagine it as an empty sheet of pap
             example_fig = plt.figure(figsize=(4,4))
             # This adds the plot to your empty sheet, PLEASE don't forget to label the a
             plt.scatter(X,y, c=["green"])
             # add Labels
             plt.xlabel('Feature 1')
             plt.ylabel('Feature 2')
             # add title
             plt.title('Example Plot')
             # watch out, this also creates a figure, but has a different name (called "_
             _, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(4,4))
             y = [0.5, 1.5, 3, 4, 5, 1.7, 3, 4, 5, 1.5, 0.5]
             ax.scatter(X,y, c=["red"])
             ax.set_title("This plot appears here \n but never in our test framework :(")
             ax.set_xlabel("Feature 1")
             ax.set_ylabel("Feature 2")
             return example fig
```

```
In [35]: # Nothing to do here, just run the cell and smile.
    example_fig = example_plot(np.asarray([1,2,2.5,2.5,2.5,3,3.5,3.5,3.5,4,5]),np.as
    print(type(example_fig))
    assert isinstance(example_fig, Figure)
```

<class 'matplotlib.figure.Figure'>





### ... now back to the assignment:

```
In [42]: # your code for the visualization
    ## your code goes here \\ \\ \\ def accuracy_plot(accuracies: list):
        """creates a bar-plot from the classifier accuracies, make sure you return a
        Parameters
        ------
        accuracies : list
```

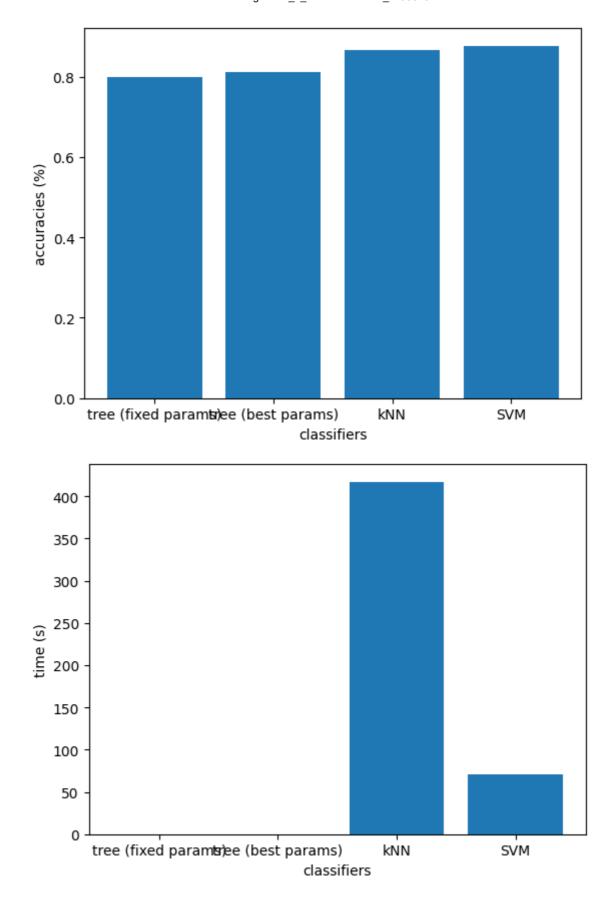
```
Returns
-----
Figure
    a matplotlib figure object, the barplot of your accuracies
"""

fig1 = None
# your code goes here ↓↓↓
fig1 = plt.figure()
plt.bar(['tree (fixed params)', 'tree (best params)', 'kNN', 'SVM'], accurace plt.xlabel('classifiers')
plt.ylabel('accuracies (%)')
return fig1
```

```
In [43]: # your code for the visualization
         def time_plot(times: list):
             """creates a bar-plot from the classifier timings, make sure you return a fi
             Parameters
             _____
             times : list
                 list of timings from the previous cell
             Returns
             _____
             Figure
                 a matplotlib figure object, the barplot of your timings
             fig2 = None
             # your code goes here ↓↓↓
             fig2 = plt.figure()
             plt.bar(['tree (fixed params)', 'tree (best params)', 'kNN', 'SVM'], times)
             plt.xlabel('classifiers')
             plt.ylabel('time (s)')
             return fig2
```

```
In [44]: # Nothing to do here, just run the cell and
    accuracies = [dec_tree_fixed_params_acc, dec_tree_best_params_acc, KNN_acc, SVM_
    times = [dec_tree_fixed_params_time, dec_tree_best_params_time, KNN_time, SVM_ti

fig_acc = accuracy_plot(accuracies)
fig_time = time_plot(times)
    assert isinstance(fig_acc, Figure)
    assert isinstance(fig_time, Figure)
```



## 4.4 Question (5 points):

\*What observations can you make so far? Add your answer to the variables below (several may be correct).\*

According to the get\_evaluation function:

- a4\_) The decision tree model is faster in terms of inference time and yields a better accuracy than KNN and SVM.
- b4\_) SVM is the algorithm with the highest accuracy among KNN, SVM, and decision trees.
- c4\_) Although this is already a large dataset, it is out of expectation that the SVM with kernel has higher prediction time than the decision tree.

To answer the question, assign "True" or "False" boolean values to variables in the next cell. A non-correctly answered question yields negative points and no answer (i.e. answer "None") gives 0 points for a question.

**Note:** Do not reuse these variable names. They are used for testing.

```
In []: #examples for you
    example_of_true_variable = True
    example_of_false_variable = False

# your solutions go here \limits \limits
a4_=False # accuracy is worse
b4_=True
c4_=None
```

Task 5: Preparation towards ensembles of trees

In the upcoming lectures, you will discuss ensemble methods for trees that aggregate and/or average single tree models to achieve better performances and/or faster runtimes compared to the ones we used here. Random Forest is a famous example where we average over trees such that the overall variance (of the average) is reduced. We will now formalize the situation:

Let's say you have  $X_1,\ldots,X_B$  identically distributed random variables which are NOT necessarily independent. Let us denote the variance of a single variable  $X_i$  by  $\sigma^2$  and the correlation coefficient between two  $X_i$  and  $X_j$  for  $j\neq i$  by  $\rho=\frac{E(X_iX_j)-E(X_i)E(X_j)}{\sigma^2}$  (keep in mind that all  $X_i$ 's are identically distributed!).

In Task 5.1, show that

$$\operatorname{Var}\left(rac{1}{B}\sum_{i=1}^{B}X_{i}
ight)=
ho\sigma^{2}+rac{1-
ho}{B}\sigma^{2}. \quad (1)$$

This gives some intuition about how to control the overall variance of averages. One can reduce it e.g. by a small correlation coefficient  $\rho$  and a large number of models B.

- 1. Apply the definition of the variance to the given average.
- 2. Split up the resulting double sum in parts with equal and unequal indices.
- 3. Apply the definition for  $\rho$  and replace the sums with the number of occurences of the respective term (how often the indices appear).
- 4. Rewrite this to get the desired solution.

**Note:** Denote in your calculation where you tackle each of this points.

### 5.1 Calculation (15 points):

$$\operatorname{Var}\left(rac{1}{B}\sum_{i=1}^{B}X_{i}
ight)=\ldots< ext{your solution goes right here}>$$

```
In []: # executability check
    calc_gini(np.eye(2),np.ones(2),0.5,1)
    dec_tree(RSEED,np.ones((2,2)),np.ones(2))
    train_dec_tree(np.ones((10,2)),np.ones(10),{"max_depth":[1,2,4,5,6]},RSEED,10,10
    trainKNN(np.ones((10,2)),np.ones(10),1,'distance',1)
    trainSVM(np.ones((4,2)),np.array([0,1,0,1]),1,'poly','auto',RSEED)
    assert(type(answer)==bool for answer in [a1_,b1_,c1_,a4_,b4_,c4_])
    print("Executable")
```

**Note:** The execution of this notebook will take a while, i.e., it might run for 20-30 minutes. For testing purposes, you might work with a reduced dataset (Task 4) but make sure, that in the end you run the notebook over the whole data, and report the correct numbers etc.!