## **Training Day-11 Report:**

## **Decision Tree in Machine Learning:-**

A decision tree in machine learning is a versatile, interpretable algorithm used for predictive modelling. It structures decisions based on input data, making it suitable for both classification and regression tasks. This article delves into the components, terminologies, construction, and advantages of decision trees, exploring their applications and learning algorithms.

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A decision tree is a type of supervised learning algorithm that is commonly used in machine learning to model and predict outcomes based on input data. It is a tree-like structure where each internal node tests on attribute, each branch corresponds to attribute value and each leaf node represents the final decision or prediction. The decision tree algorithm falls under the category of supervised learning. They can be used to solve both **regression** and **classification problems**.

## **Decision Tree Terminologies:-**

There are specialized terms associated with decision trees that denote various components and facets of the tree structure and decision-making procedure. :

- **Root Node:** A decision tree's root node, which represents the original choice or feature from which the tree branches, is the highest node.
- **Internal Nodes** (**Decision Nodes**): Nodes in the tree whose choices are determined by the values of particular attributes. There are branches on these nodes that go to other nodes.
- **Leaf Nodes** (**Terminal Nodes**): The branches' termini, when choices or forecasts are decided upon. There are no more branches on leaf nodes.
- **Branches** (**Edges**): Links between nodes that show how decisions are made in response to particular circumstances.
- **Splitting**: The process of dividing a node into two or more sub-nodes based on a decision criterion. It involves selecting a feature and a threshold to create subsets of data.
- **Parent Node**: A node that is split into child nodes. The original node from which a split originates.
- Child Node: Nodes created as a result of a split from a parent node.

- **Decision Criterion**: The rule or condition used to determine how the data should be split at a decision node. It involves comparing feature values against a threshold.
- **Pruning**: The process of removing branches or nodes from a decision tree to improve its generalization and prevent overfitting.

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