

## CHEAT SHEET

# Decision Trees

<b>Algorithm Name</b>	Decision trees
<b>Description</b>	A framework that solves classification and regression problems.
<b>Applicability</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Classification and regression problems</li><li>• Makes no assumptions regarding feature representation and works with both continuous-valued and categorical features</li></ul>
<b>Assumptions</b>	Similar inputs have similar labels.
<b>Underlying Mathematical Principles</b>	Entropy and information gain are the criteria used to select features and split values at each non-leaf node.
<b>Hyperparameters</b>	max_depth (often alternatively maximum number of nodes), maximum samples per leaf, splitting criterion (information gain)
<b>Additional Details</b>	The classifier is represented by a binary tree.
<b>Example</b>	Predict whether an individual will default on a loan based on credit score, age, and loan amount.

