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Tree Learning Exercises

Exercise 1.



- 1. Describe in your own words the learning and classification process of decision trees.
- 2. Which form should a decision tree have? As broad as possible, or as deep as possible? Why?

Exercise 2.

A hospital introduces a software to support diagnosing patients. For that purpose, data on ill and healthy patients have been collected. Use the data to create a decision tree that predicts a patients health status based on their heart rate and blood pressure.

Patient	Heart Rate	Blood Pressure	class
1	irregular	normal	ill
2	regular	normal	healthy
3	irregular	abnormal	ill
4	irregular	normal	ill
5	regular	normal	healthy
6	regular	abnormal	ill
7	regular	normal	healthy
8	regular	normal	healthy

Use information gain to compute the tree.

Exercise 3.

Create a Jupyter Notebook and

- 1. load the IRIS dataset
- 2. select only features 2 and 3 (counting from 0) as features, thus creating a 2-dimensional feature space
- 3. use the random seed 1 if you use random
- 4. create a classification experiment, preprocess the data, split into training (60%) and test data (40%), use random sampling
- 5. think about feature scaling is it necessary?

- 6. use a diagram to indicate the relationship between tree depth and the classification quality in terms of accuracy
- 7. plot the decision regions of the best classifier (use the python module $classification_viz$ for that purpose).