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1 Conceptual

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I think in binary classification, although classification error is the most intuitive one, the others have advantages in terms of being characterized by negative curvature, which will increase the preference of splits that create region pairs where at least one is of highly purity and this may bring impurity in other regions. In addition, the other two functions are smooth curves which are better for optimization. That is to say, the Gini Indexa nd cross-entropy are better to grow a decision tree since they perfom better to purity.

When it comes to pruning a decision tree, I think all of the three standards can be used. However, if we use the prediction accuracy as the standard to evaluate the tree, we should choose classification error to prune the decision tree.

2 Application

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[1]: import pandas as pd
     from sklearn import tree
     from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV
     from sklearn.model selection import train test split
     from sklearn.model selection import KFold
     from sklearn.model selection import cross val score
     from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegressionCV
     import random
     from sklearn.naive_bayes import GaussianNB
     from sklearn.linear_model import ElasticNetCV
     from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
     from sklearn.ensemble import BaggingClassifier
     from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
     from sklearn.ensemble import GradientBoostingClassifier
     from sklearn import metrics
     from sklearn.metrics import roc_auc_score
     import warnings
     warnings.filterwarnings("ignore")
     from sklearn.metrics import accuracy score
     from sklearn.inspection import plot_partial_dependence
     from pdpbox import pdp, get_dataset, info_plots
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import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
from pycebox.ice import *
random.seed(9001)
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[2]: train = pd.read_csv("C:/Users/mac/Desktop/temp/hw05/gss_train.csv")
    test = pd.read_csv("C:/Users/mac/Desktop/temp/hw05/gss_test.csv")
    x_cols = [x for x in train.columns if x != 'colrac']
    x_train = train[x_cols]
    y_train = train[['colrac']]
    x_test = test[x_cols]
    y_test = test[['colrac']]
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2.1.1 logistic regression

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[3]: GridSearchCV(cv=10, error_score=nan, estimator=LogisticRegressionCV(Cs=10, class_weight=None, cv=10, dual=False, fit_intercept=True, intercept_scaling=1.0, l1_ratios=None, max_iter=100, multi_class='auto', n_jobs=None, penalty='12', random_state=None, refit=True, scoring=None, solver='lbfgs', tol=0.0001, verbose=0), iid='deprecated', n_jobs=None, param_grid={'Cs': [0.001, 0.01, 0.1, 1, 10, 100, 1000]}, pre_dispatch='2*n_jobs', refit=True, return_train_score=False, scoring='accuracy', verbose=0)
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2.1.2 Naive Bayes

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[4]: param_nb = {'var_smoothing': np.logspace(0,-9, num = 100)}
nb_grid = GridSearchCV(GaussianNB(), param_nb, cv = 10, scoring = 'accuracy')
nb_grid.fit(x_train, y_train)
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6.57933225e-01, 5.33669923e-01,
4.32876128e-01, 3.51119173e-01, 2.84803587e-01, 2.31012970e-01,
1.87381742e-01, 1.51991108e-01, 1.23284674e-01, 1.00000000e-01,
8.11130831e-02, 6...
5.33669923e-08, 4.32876128e-08, 3.51119173e-08, 2.84803587e-08,
2.31012970e-08, 1.87381742e-08, 1.51991108e-08, 1.23284674e-08,
1.00000000e-08, 8.11130831e-09, 6.57933225e-09, 5.33669923e-09,
4.32876128e-09, 3.51119173e-09, 2.84803587e-09, 2.31012970e-09,
1.87381742e-09, 1.51991108e-09, 1.23284674e-09, 1.00000000e-09])},
pre_dispatch='2*n_jobs', refit=True, return_train_score=False,
scoring='accuracy', verbose=0)
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2.1.3 Elastic net regression

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[5]: param_en = {'max_iter':[100,110,120,130,140]}
en_grid = GridSearchCV(ElasticNetCV(cv = 10), param_en, scoring = 'r2', cv = 10)
en_grid.fit(x_train, y_train)
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2.1.4 Decision tree (CART)

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[6]: param_dt = {'criterion':['gini', 'entropy'], 'min_samples_split':

→range(10,500,20), 'max_depth': range(1,56)}

dt_grid = GridSearchCV(DecisionTreeClassifier(), param_grid=param_dt, cv = 10,

→scoring = 'accuracy')

dt_grid.fit(x_train, y_train)
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2.1.5 Bagging

2.1.6 Random Forest

[8]: GridSearchCV(cv=10, error_score=nan, estimator=RandomForestClassifier(bootstrap=True, ccp_alpha=0.0,

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class_weight=None,
                                  criterion='gini', max_depth=None,
                                  max_features='auto',
                                  max_leaf_nodes=None,
                                  max_samples=None,
                                  min_impurity_decrease=0.0,
                                  min_impurity_split=None,
                                  min_samples_leaf=1,
                                  min samples split=2,
                                  min weight fraction leaf=0.0,
                                  n estimators=100, n jobs=None,
                                  oob_score=False, random_state=42,
                                  verbose=0, warm start=False),
iid='deprecated', n_jobs=None,
param_grid={'criterion': ['gini', 'entropy'],
            'max_depth': [4, 5, 6, 7, 8],
            'max_features': ['auto', 'sqrt', 'log2']},
pre_dispatch='2*n_jobs', refit=True, return_train_score=False,
scoring=None, verbose=0)
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2.1.7 Boosting

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[9]: GridSearchCV(cv=10, error_score=nan,
                  estimator=GradientBoostingClassifier(ccp_alpha=0.0,
                                                        criterion='friedman_mse',
                                                        init=None, learning_rate=0.1,
                                                        loss='deviance', max_depth=3,
                                                        max_features=None,
                                                        max_leaf_nodes=None,
                                                        min_impurity_decrease=0.0,
                                                        min_impurity_split=None,
                                                        min_samples_leaf=1,
                                                        min_samples_split=2,
                                                        min_weight_fraction_leaf=0.0,
                                                        n_estimators=100,
                                                        n_iter_no_change=None,
                                                        presort='deprecated',
                                                        random_state=None,
                                                        subsample=1.0, tol=0.0001,
                                                        validation_fraction=0.1,
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verbose=0, warm_start=False),
                   iid='deprecated', n_jobs=None,
                   param_grid={'criterion': ['friedman_mse', 'mae'],
                               'max_depth': [4, 5, 6, 7, 8],
                               'max_features': ['auto', 'sqrt', 'log2']},
                   pre_dispatch='2*n_jobs', refit=True, return_train_score=False,
                   scoring=None, verbose=0)
     2.2.1 logistic regression
[10]: print("cross-validated error :", lr_grid.best_score_)
      y_predicted_lr = lr_grid.predict(x_train)
      print("ROC/AUC :", roc_auc_score(y_train, y_predicted_lr))
     cross-validated error : 0.7967549181834896
     ROC/AUC : 0.8160351571487735
     2.2.2 Naive Bayes
[11]: print("cross-validated error :", nb_grid.best_score_)
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y_predicted_nb = nb_grid.predict(x_train) print("ROC/AUC :", roc_auc_score(y_train, y_predicted_nb))

cross-validated error : 0.7344272844272843 ROC/AUC : 0.7419023514794533

2.2.3 Elastic net regression

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[12]: print("cross-validated error :", en_grid.best_score_) y_predicted_en = en_grid.predict(x_train) print("ROC/AUC :", roc_auc_score(y_train, y_predicted_en))

cross-validated error : 0.404376866766997 ROC/AUC : 0.8914233123188071

2.2.4 Decision tree (CART)

[13]: print("cross-validated error:", dt_grid.best_score_) y_predicted_dt = dt_grid.predict(x_train) print("ROC/AUC :", roc_auc_score(y_train, y_predicted_dt))

cross-validated error: 0.7817981246552674 ROC/AUC: 0.7903106161704477

2.2.5 Bagging

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[14]: print("cross-validated error :", bagging grid.best score)
      y_predicted_bagging = bagging_grid.predict(x_train)
      print("ROC/AUC :", roc_auc_score(y_train, y_predicted_bagging))
     cross-validated error: 0.7825243610957896
     ROC/AUC: 1.0
     2.2.6 Random Forest
[15]: print("cross-validated error:", cf grid.best score)
      y_predicted_rf = cf_grid.predict(x_train)
      print("ROC/AUC :", roc_auc_score(y_train, y_predicted_rf))
     cross-validated error : 0.7946957161242876
     ROC/AUC: 0.8374221158713359
     2.2.7 Boosting
[16]: print("cross-validated error:", boosting_grid.best_score_)
      y_predicted_boosting = boosting_grid.predict(x_train)
      print("ROC/AUC :", roc_auc_score(y_train, y_predicted_boosting))
     cross-validated error : 0.8028405956977386
     ROC/AUC: 0.9742220790575675
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[17]: cv_error = {'Logistic regression': lr_grid.best_score_, 'Naive bayes': nb_grid.
       ⇒best_score_, 'Elastic net regression': en_grid.best_score_,
                 'Decision tree (CART)': dt_grid.best_score_, 'Bagging': bagging_grid.
      ⇒best_score_, 'Random forest': cf_grid.best_score_,
                 'Boosting': boosting_grid.best_score_}
[18]: cv_error
[18]: {'Logistic regression': 0.7967549181834896,
       'Naive bayes': 0.7344272844272843,
       'Elastic net regression': 0.404376866766997,
       'Decision tree (CART)': 0.7817981246552674,
       'Bagging': 0.7825243610957896,
       'Random forest': 0.7946957161242876,
       'Boosting': 0.8028405956977386}
[19]: roc_auc = {'Logistic regression': roc_auc_score(y_train, y_predicted_lr),__
      →'Naive bayes': roc_auc_score(y_train, y_predicted_nb),
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'Elastic net regression': roc_auc_score(y_train, y_predicted_en),_
       → 'Decision tree (CART)': roc_auc_score(y_train, y_predicted_dt),
                 'Bagging': roc_auc_score(y_train, y_predicted_bagging), 'Random_
       →forest': roc_auc_score(y_train, y_predicted_rf),
                 'Boosting': roc_auc_score(y_train, y_predicted_boosting)}
[20]: roc_auc
[20]: {'Logistic regression': 0.8160351571487735,
       'Naive bayes': 0.7419023514794533,
       'Elastic net regression': 0.8914233123188071,
       'Decision tree (CART)': 0.7903106161704477,
       'Bagging': 1.0,
       'Random forest': 0.8374221158713359,
       'Boosting': 0.9742220790575675}
[21]: print("Ranks of cv errors of models:")
      sorted(cv_error.items(), key=lambda d:d[1], reverse = True)
     Ranks of cv errors of models:
[21]: [('Boosting', 0.8028405956977386),
       ('Logistic regression', 0.7967549181834896),
       ('Random forest', 0.7946957161242876),
       ('Bagging', 0.7825243610957896),
       ('Decision tree (CART)', 0.7817981246552674),
       ('Naive bayes', 0.7344272844272843),
       ('Elastic net regression', 0.404376866766997)]
[22]: print("Ranks of ROC/AUC of models:")
      sorted(roc_auc.items(), key=lambda d:d[1], reverse = True)
     Ranks of ROC/AUC of models:
[22]: [('Bagging', 1.0),
       ('Boosting', 0.9742220790575675),
       ('Elastic net regression', 0.8914233123188071),
       ('Random forest', 0.8374221158713359),
       ('Logistic regression', 0.8160351571487735),
       ('Decision tree (CART)', 0.7903106161704477),
       ('Naive bayes', 0.7419023514794533)]
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According to the above analysis, we can see that the boosting model ranks first and second in the two different standards, and the CV error and ROC/AUC indexes are both high. In comparison, logistic regression does not have a very high ROC/AUC and bagging does not have a very high cv errors. Therefore, we prefer to say that the tuned boosting model here is the best model. (I think the ranking is related to seed. I ran the code before and boosting ranks first in both standards.)

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[23]: y_predicted_test_boosting = boosting_grid.predict(x_test)
    classification_error = accuracy_score(y_test, y_predicted_test_boosting)
    auc_test = roc_auc_score(y_test, y_predicted_test_boosting)
    print("classification error in test dataset:", classification_error)
    print("AUC in test dataset:", auc_test)
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classification error in test dataset: 0.8113590263691683 AUC in test dataset: 0.8052383316782521

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[24]: print("cross-validated error in train dataset:", boosting_grid.best_score_)
y_predicted_boosting = boosting_grid.predict(x_train)
print("ROC/AUC in train dataset:", roc_auc_score(y_train, y_predicted_boosting))
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cross-validated error in train dataset: 0.8028405956977386 ROC/AUC in train dataset: 0.9742220790575675
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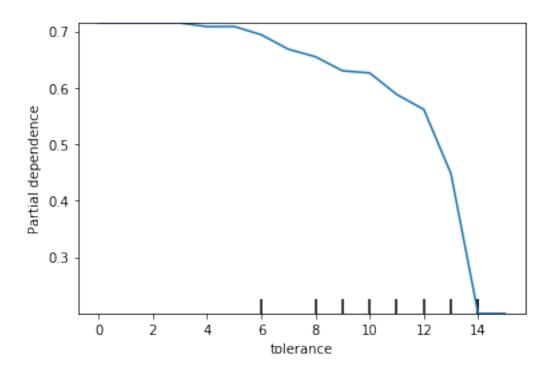
Generalization demonstrates the ability of a model to well fit new data not previously seen. To achive better generalization of a model, we should pay attention to both the problems of underfitting and overfitting. Overfitting means that the model predicts the train dataset too well, while underfitting means that the model can not predicts the train dataset and new data well neither. Actually, decision trees are a nonparametric machine learning algorithm which is considered to be highly subject to overfitting training data. We can use the method of pruning the decision tree to avoid this problem.

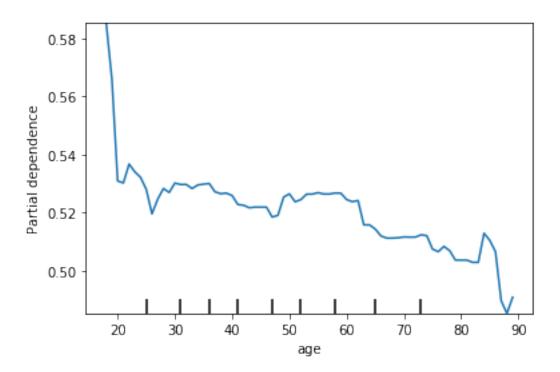
Here I think we can use the performance of the specific model on the train dataset and test dataset to evaluate this model's generalization ability.

According to the above comparison, we can see that the cv error and ROC/AUC in the train dataset and test dataset are all relatively high, especially in the train dataset. In addition, the indexes in the test dataset are both lower than the indexes in the train dataset. Therefore, I think we do not encounter the problems of underfitting and overfitting. Thus, I maintain that the "best" model generalizes well.

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[25]: plot_partial_dependence(boosting_grid,x_train, features = ['tolerance']) plot_partial_dependence(boosting_grid,x_train, features = ['age'])
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[33]: from pdpbox.pdp import pdp_isolate, pdp_plot

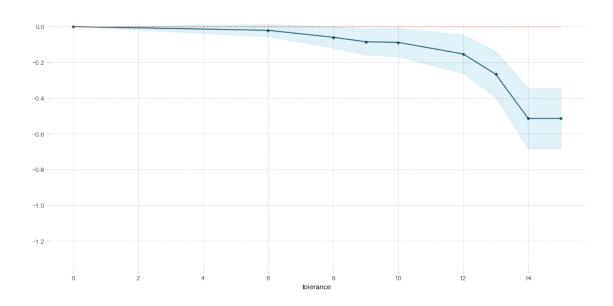
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def plot_pdp(model, df, feature, cluster_flag=False, nb_clusters=None,□
    →lines_flag=False):

# Create the data that we will plot
    pdp_goals = pdp_isolate(model=model, dataset=df, model_features=df.columns.
    →tolist(), feature=feature)

# plot it
    pdp_plot(pdp_goals, feature, cluster=cluster_flag,□
    →n_cluster_centers=nb_clusters, plot_lines=lines_flag)
    plt.show()
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[34]: from pdpbox.pdp import pdp_isolate plot_pdp(boosting_grid, x_train, 'tolerance')

PDP for feature "tolerance" Number of unique grid points: 9

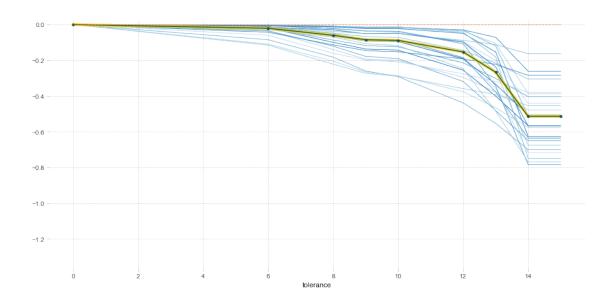


[35]: plot_pdp(boosting_grid, x_train, 'tolerance', cluster_flag=True, ⊔

→nb_clusters=24, lines_flag=True)

PDP for feature "tolerance"

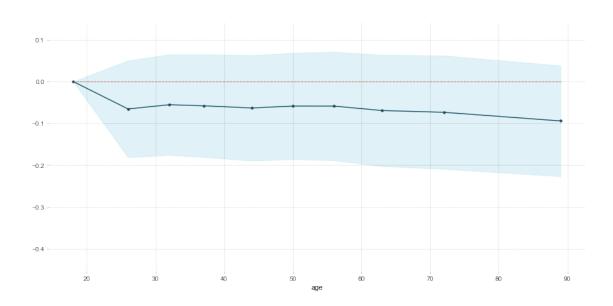
Number of unique grid points: 9



[36]: plot_pdp(boosting_grid, x_train, 'age')

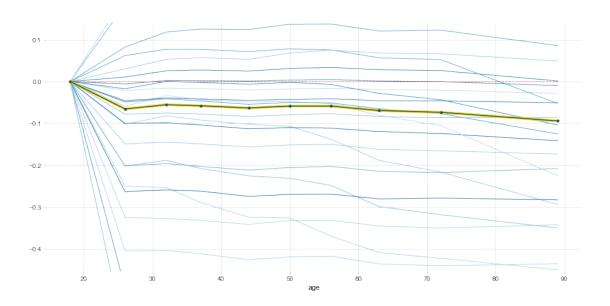
PDP for feature "age"

Number of unique grid points: 10



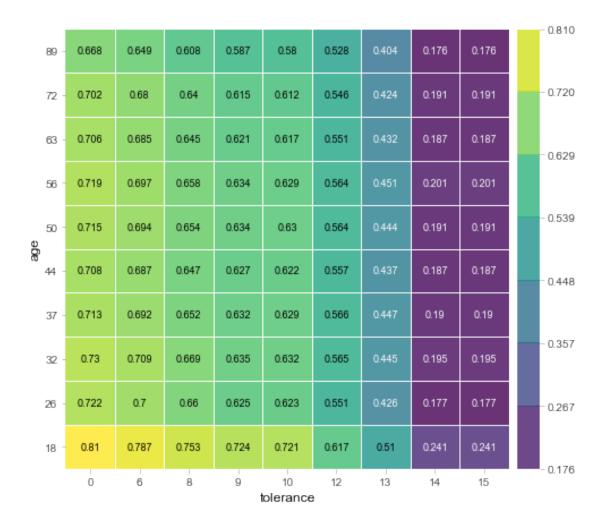
[37]: plot_pdp(boosting_grid, x_train, 'age', cluster_flag=True, nb_clusters=24, ⊔ →lines_flag=True)

PDP for feature "age" Number of unique grid points: 10



PDP interact for "tolerance" and "age"

Number of unique grid points: (tolerance: 9, age: 10)



Partial independence shows how the dependent variable partially depends on a specific independent variable or a specific group of independent variables. Or we can say this probability describes the marginal effect of small number of specific independent variables. Only in terms of the variable 'tolerance', we can see the dependent variable partially depends less and less on this independent variable as the value of 'tolerance' increases, and this is also the case which happens to the independent variable 'age'. In the last figure of the PDP interaction of these two variables, we can see that with 'tolerance' and 'age' increases, the probability decreases (the color grows darker). To be specific, we can see that when people are over roughly 22 years old (above the bottom row of 'age'), when people's age increases, the influence of their age on their attitudes towards racist

college professors decreases. To some extent, we can understand this point since when people become an adult their thoughts can be some kind of more stable. In terms of tolerance', we can see that when the degree is above 13, the influence of their tolerance on their attitudes towards racist college professors decreases sharply. In addition, we can see that when the age is fixed, whether the tolerance degree is 14 or 15 does not change the marginal effect of people's tolerance on their attitudes towards racist college professors decreases sharply.