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Decision Tree Classifier

Running this one is the same as the others, just double click the jar and follow the instructions. There are no special packages or anything you need.

I decided to just follow the algorithm to the tee, I even commented in the pseudo-code above each line of actual code. The methods I wrote were:

ID3: This follows the outlined algorithm exactly.

AttributeIndex: This finds the index of an attribute in a Tumor's list of attributes based on an supplied name, I needed this since I decided to make my attributes objects.

Classify: This takes a tumor as an argument and just traverses the tree to classify it.

Homogenous: This tells you if a set of tumors is all malignant or all benign.

MostCommon: This gets a majority vote for benign or malignant for a set of tumors.

Entropy: Obviously calculates entropy for a set of tumors.

Information Gain: Uses Entropy to find the amount of information gained by splitting based on a particular attribute.

GreatestGain: This takes a set of tumors and a set of attributes and tells you which attribute causes the greatest information gain.

Subset: Takes a set of tumors, an attribute name, and an attribute value and returns the subset of tumors that have that attribute with that value.

Results: My classifier was able to correctly classify 66 out of the 70 tumors, or about 94%.

Root and next level questions:

My root asked the question of Size, on the next level, splitting by size produces homogenous groups for all size values except 1 and 2, with tumors of size 1 then asking the question of Nuclei, and tumors of size 2 asking the question of Epithelial.

I was able to classify all the tumors, I just followed the algorithm exactly, creating nodes for all possible values even if I didn't actually encounter them, and if the sets of tumors for those answers were empty, I just labeled them with a majority vote of the previous level.

I didn't have any unresolvable issues.

