

# **Random Forest**

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# Uniform Sampling with Replacement

- Give a set of training examples  $\mathcal{S}$
- Sample a subset  $\mathcal{S}_i$  of examples
- **Uniform sampling:** selection probability of any example in  $\mathcal{S}$  is  $\frac{1}{|\mathcal{S}|}$
- **Replacement:** a selected item can be reselected multiple times for the same subset

# Random Forest

- Given M training examples
- Uniformly sample T subsets with replacement
  - each of size M el size bta3 kol el trees motsawy, 7agmohom M  
fa keda hayb2a fe kol tree, fe samples mtkrra fe trees tanya.
- b2dr atl3 el Size M, da 34an ana b3ml replacement, fa mmkn msln lw 3ndy 2 blue balls, ana mmkn wna  
bsample atl3 4 blue , 34an el 4 mrat el e5trthom, kano blue :)
  - Build T decision trees with zero-training error
    - Tree for each training subset  $S_i$
    - No pruning
- Take the average/votes of T trees
  - Subsets are different so no overfitting!
  - Can get certainty of your prediction, i.e., how many classifiers?

# Random Forest

- Given  $D$  features, i.e., dimensions
- Building  $T$  decision trees:
  - Sample  $K$  features randomly ( $K < D$ )
  - Only split on these  $K$  random features
  - New  $K$  features are sampled for every single split
- Sampling features leads to different trees
  - Different mistakes by each tree
  - Mistakes averaged out → no overfitting

$K$  is constant,  
 $K$  can be sampled with replacement.

# Random Forest

- Out of the box approach
    - No need to tune hyperparameters
    - No need to pre-process or scale inputs
  - $K = \lceil \sqrt{D} \rceil \rightarrow \text{round up!}$
  - Increase T as much as you can afford
    - Parallel processing
- depending on the amount of resources that you have
- two factors we have are  
K -> etf2o enha ahsn haga el ceil(sqrt(D))  
T -> kol ma tzwd kol ma yeb2a ahsn

# Random Forest: Out-of-Bag Error

- Aka. **out-of-bag estimate**

data is splitted as :

1. Training -> bmrn beha el data.
2. Validation -> de el data elly b5ly el model bta3y yeshofha w a3adel el parameters bt3to w a3ml tuning lehom 34an a7asn el training.
3. Testing. -> to evaluate the accuracy.

tb ana keda msh fahem el fr2  
ben el training wl validation...

- No need for training/validation split

el fekra bta3t el validation, enk bdl ma yeb2a 3ndk training w te3ml evaluation 3la el test bs, laa enta kol el bt3mlo enk btaa5ud goz2 mn el data te3ml beh training, w b3den te3ml evaluation bl validation of data, w b3den lw l2et el accuracy msh kwysa t3dl el hyperparameters b7es t7sn el accuracy bta3k baa.

- Can estimate test error directly from training set

kol element fl test, ana b5du a5leh yemshy 3la kol el

- Compute error for each training example

- consider only trees that do not include that example in their training subset
- approx. 60% of trees are considered

wna b3ml validation, msh b3ml consider lel trees elly el point de kant goz2 menha, lakn b5ud el trees el tanyen.

# Random Forest: Out-of-Bag Error

- For each data point, average the loss of classifiers that do not have that data point,
  - we obtain an estimate of the true test error
  - without reducing the training set

$$E_{OFB} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M \left[ \frac{1}{z_i} \sum_{\substack{j \\ (x_i, y_i) \notin S_j}}^T \text{loss}(h_j(x_i), y_i) \right]$$

lw 3ndk msln 10 trees  
w 100 point

kol point btb2a mawgoda fe 3dd mo3n mn el trees lakn msh kolohom

$$z_i = \sum_{\substack{j \\ (x_i, y_i) \notin S_j}}^T 1$$

fa lw hana5ud awl no2ta msln hya kant fe 6 trees

htro7 t7sb el loss fe el 4 trees elly hya mkntsh fehom  
w ne2sm 3la 10  
(fa de keda el 1/z sigma loss)

w htkrr baa nafs el 3amalya lkol el points w fl akher baa  
bt2sm 3la 3adad el samples el 3ndk

num of trees **NOT** trained on  $(x_i, y_i)$

# Random Forest

- Easy to use!
- Second best approach! → Rule of thumb!
- No need for training/validation split
- For regression, use regression trees



# Random Forest

- Wisdom of the crowd!
- Improvement: prune the last split of trees (i.e., from bottom) if that improves  $E_{OFB}$ 
  - Decrease size of trees
  - Decrease noise
- Not suitable for raw images

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