

CSDS 440: Assignment 2

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Problem 8

With the new weight information, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} H(Y) &= -\frac{(3+9+3+9+3+9+27+81)}{256} \log_2\left(\frac{(3+9+3+9+3+9+27+81)}{256}\right) \\ &\quad - \frac{(1+3+9+27+9+27+9+27)}{256} \log_2\left(\frac{(1+3+9+27+9+27+9+27)}{256}\right) \\ &= -\frac{144}{256} \log_2\left(\frac{144}{256}\right) - \frac{112}{256} \log_2\left(\frac{112}{256}\right) \approx 0.9887 \end{aligned}$$

Now for each attribute:

$$\begin{aligned}
IG(A_1) &= H(Y) - H(Y|A_1) \\
&= 0.9887 - \left[\frac{(3+9+9+27+9+27+27+81)}{256} \left(-\frac{(3+9+27+81)}{192} \log_2 \frac{(3+9+27+81)}{192} \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. - \frac{(9+27+9+27)}{192} \log_2 \frac{(3+9+27+81)}{192} \right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{(1+3+3+9+3+9+9+27)}{256} \left(-\frac{(3+9+3+9)}{64} \log_2 \frac{(3+9+3+9)}{64} \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. - \frac{(1+3+9+27)}{64} \log_2 \frac{(1+3+9+27)}{64} \right) \right] \\
&= 0.9887 - \left[\frac{192}{256} \left(-\frac{120}{192} \log_2 \left(\frac{120}{192} \right) - \frac{72}{192} \log_2 \left(\frac{72}{192} \right) \right) + \frac{64}{256} \left(-\frac{24}{64} \log_2 \left(\frac{24}{64} \right) - \frac{40}{64} \log_2 \frac{40}{64} \right) \right] \\
&\approx 0.0343
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly:

$$\begin{aligned}
IG(A_2) &= 0.9887 - \left[\frac{192}{256} \left(-\frac{120}{192} \log_2 \left(\frac{120}{192} \right) - \frac{72}{192} \log_2 \left(\frac{72}{192} \right) \right) + \frac{64}{256} \left(-\frac{24}{64} \log_2 \left(\frac{24}{64} \right) - \frac{40}{64} \log_2 \frac{40}{64} \right) \right] \\
&\approx 0.0343 \\
IG(A_3) &= 0.9887 - \left[\frac{192}{256} \left(-\frac{120}{192} \log_2 \left(\frac{120}{192} \right) - \frac{72}{192} \log_2 \left(\frac{72}{192} \right) \right) + \frac{64}{256} \left(-\frac{24}{64} \log_2 \left(\frac{24}{64} \right) - \frac{40}{64} \log_2 \frac{40}{64} \right) \right] \\
&\approx 0.0343 \\
IG(A_4) &= 0.9887 - \left[\frac{192}{256} \left(-\frac{108}{192} \log_2 \left(\frac{108}{192} \right) - \frac{84}{192} \log_2 \left(\frac{84}{192} \right) \right) + \frac{64}{256} \left(-\frac{36}{64} \log_2 \left(\frac{36}{64} \right) - \frac{28}{64} \log_2 \frac{28}{64} \right) \right] \\
&\approx 0
\end{aligned}$$

Since we have $IG(A_1) \approx IG(A_2) \approx IG(A_3) \approx 0.0343$ and $IG(A_4) \approx 0$. Therefore the algorithm may first split on any attribute among A_1 , A_2 , or A_3 and form a decision tree.