# Learning-To-Rank

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#### Learning-To-Rank (LTR / LETOR)

Machine learning models to solve a ranking problem.

Given a query q and top-n documents (retrieved by TF-IDF or BM25)  $D = d_1, d_2, ..., d_n$ , we would like to learn a function f(q, D) that returns an ordered list of documents  $D^*$  ranked from the most to the least relevant to the query q.

Learning-To-Rank is different from Classification & Regression.

#### Mengapa IR tidak menggunakan ML dari dulu?

- Modern supervised ML has been around for about 25 years.
- TF-IDF and OKAPI BM25 has been around for about 50 years.
- Naïve Bayes has been around for about 60 years.
- Dahulu: poor machine learning techniques.
- Dahulu: Limited training data and not enough features for ML to show value.

#### Why is ML needed now?

Modern Web search systems records a great number of features:

- Log frequency of query word
- # images on page
- # out links on page
- # clicks on page
- # query reformulation
- "Scroll-down" & "scroll-up" actions
- · Dwell time

The New York Times in 2008-06-03 says that **Google** was using over 200 such features.

What about today? over 500-800 features?

#### LETOR for Re-Ranking

Di kebanyakan kasus, LETOR digunakan untuk re-ranking hasil retrieval yang dilakukan oleh sparse retrieval models seperti TF-IDF dan BM25.

Top-N Docs Hasil Re-Ranking SERP SERP 1. D293 1. D34 2. D17 2. D81 BM25/TF-IDF Query LETOR 3. D3 3. D293 "mahasiswa sukses" Retrieval Model 4. D34 4. D17 N. D81 N. D3 Koleksi Training Data Dokumen

#### Training Data Format

#### Pointwise LTR

Assuming training data is available consisting of querydocument pairs (q, d) represented as feature vectors × with relevance ranking c.

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Y1: 3 (fully relevant)
x1: q1, d1
                                                  Diberikan q dan
                  Y2: 1 (marginally relevant)
                                                  sekumpulan dokumen d1,
x2: q1, d5
                  Y3: 2 (somewhat relevant)
x3: q1, d9
                                                  d2, ..., fungsi f(q, di)
x4: q2, d2
                  У4: 1
                                                  digunakan untuk scoring
x5: q2, d13
                                                  masing-masing dokumen,
                  Y5: 3
                  y6: 2
x6: q2, d18
                                                  dan ranking dibentuk
                                                  dengan sorting dokumen
                                                  secara menurun.
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#### Training Data Format

#### Pairwise LTR

Assuming training data is available consisting of pairs of documents for each query (q, d1, d2).

Catat bahwa f(q, di) masih pointwise! Namun f(q, di) ditrain dengan cara pairwise. Yang di-fit dengan y adalah fungsi berikut:

$$P(d_i > d_j | \theta) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-(f(q, d_i | \theta) - f(q, d_j | \theta)))}$$

### Yahoo! Learning-To-Rank Challenge

- Tahun 2011
- 36,251 queries, 883,000 documents, 700 features, 5 relevance levels
- Winner (Burges et al.)
  - 8 Tree Ensembles (LambdaMART)
  - 2 LambdaRank Neural Nets
  - 2 Logistic Regression Models

### Model LTR yang dipelajari

- RankNet
- LambdaRank
- LambdaMART

- Untuk bisa memahami 3 model fondasi LTR di atas, perlu belajar:
  - Regression Trees
  - Gradient-Boosting Framework

## Regression Trees

#### Regression Trees

- Decision Tree untuk prediksi real value (regression problem)
- Splitting criterion:
  - Choose split values that minimizes the impurity or loss-function of the values in each subset  $S_i$  of S:

$$G = \sum_{i} \frac{|S_i|}{|S|} L(S_i)$$
 dengan  $L(S_i)$  adalah node-level impurity or loss function.

If  $L(S_i)$  is Mean Squared Error, then predicted value of a leaf node is the mean of all instances.

$$L(S_i) = \frac{1}{|S_i|} \sum_{x_j \in S_i} \frac{1}{2} (y_j - f(x_j))^2$$

#### Binary Regression Trees

• Cari sebuah split  $v_m$  yang memisahkan:

$$S_{left}(v_m) = \{(x, y) | x_j < v_m\}$$
 dan  $S_{right}(v_m) = S - S_{left}$ 

• Bagaimana mencari split value  $v_m$ ?

$$v_m = argmin_v G(v)$$

$$G(v) = \frac{\left|S_{left}(v)\right|}{|S|} L\left(S_{left}(v)\right) + \frac{\left|S_{right}(v)\right|}{|S|} L\left(S_{right}(v)\right)$$

#### Binary Regression Trees

 Penentuan nilai "wakil" (predicted value) w di setiap leaf node bergantung loss function L, yaitu:

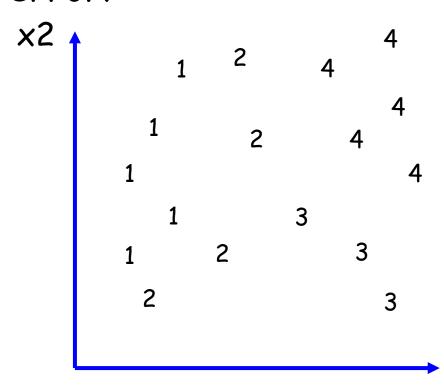
$$w = argmin_{w} \sum_{x_{i} \in leaf} L(y_{i}, w)$$

 Dapat dibuktikan bahwa jika L adalah MSE (mean squared error), predicted value di sebuah leaf/terminal node adalah mean.

$$w = mean(x|x \in leaf)) \qquad jika \quad L(S_i) = \frac{1}{|S_i|} \sum_{x_i \in S_i} \frac{1}{2} (y_j - f(x_j))^2$$

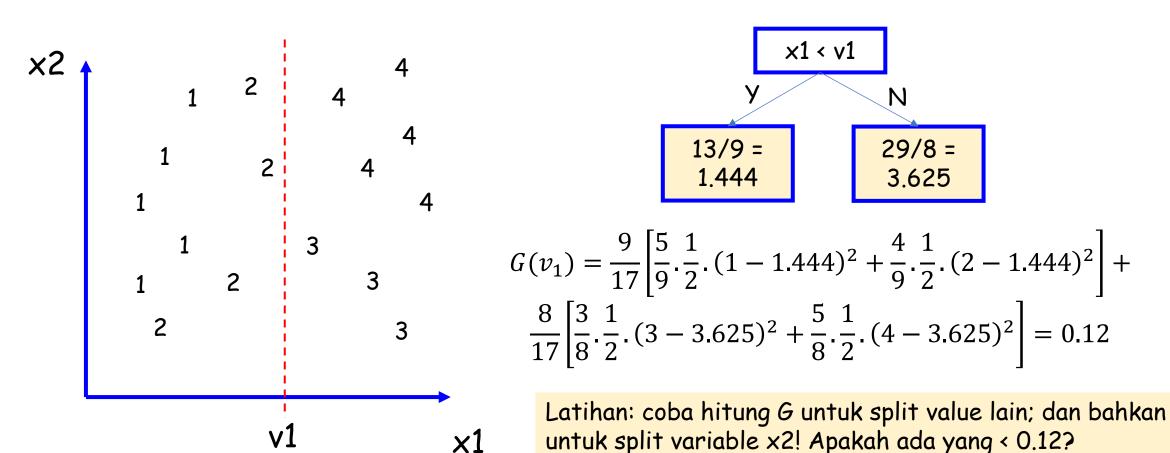
Loss-function = MSE

Cari split variable dan split value yang meminimalkan predicted error!

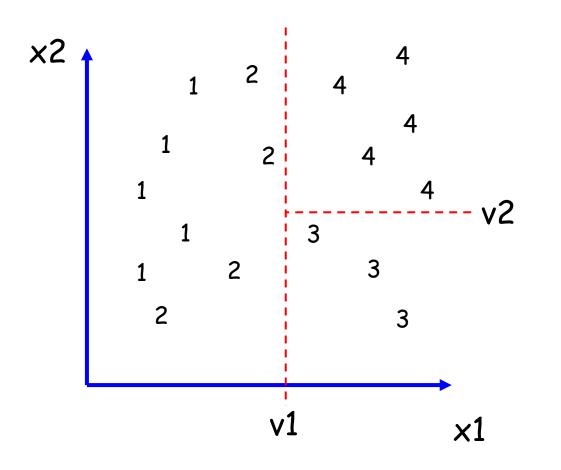


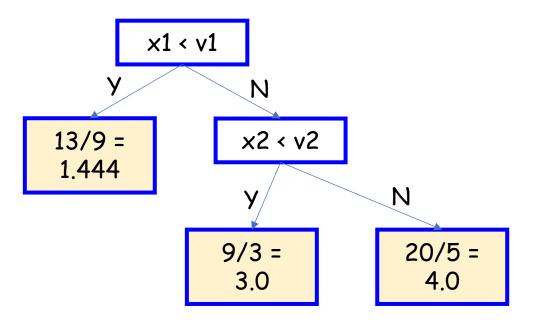
Misal, decision tree regressor dalam bentuk f(x1, x2) dan kita menerapkan binary splitting.

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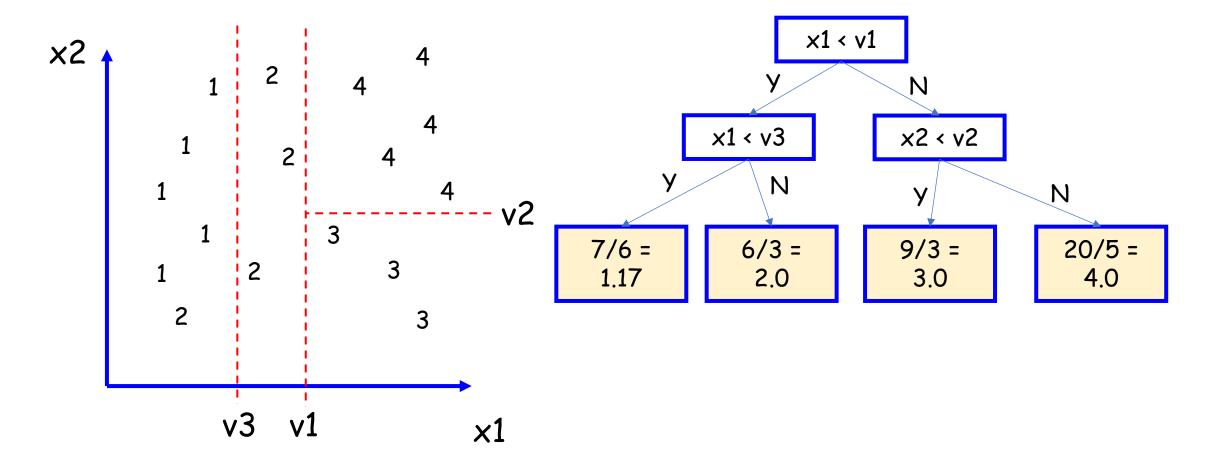


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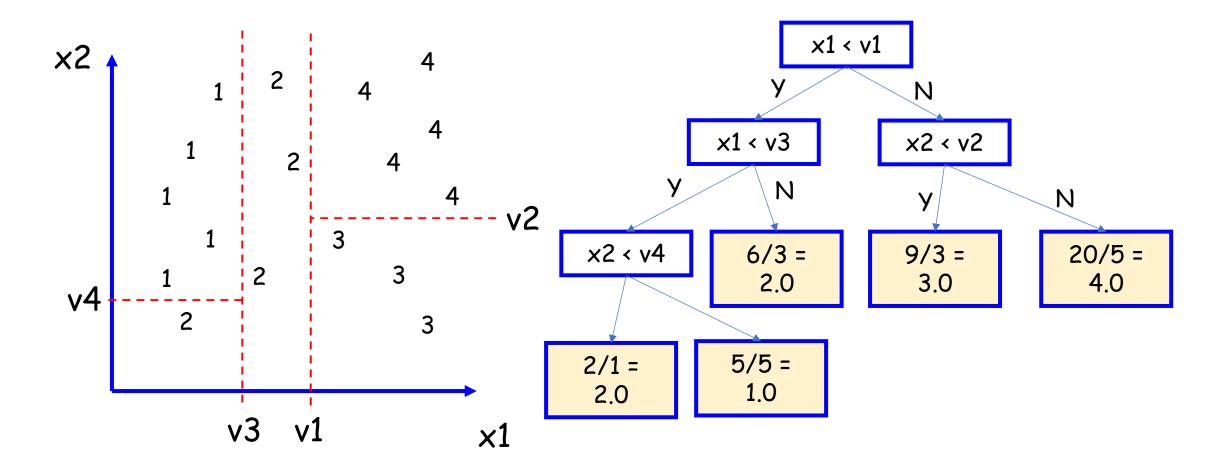




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Kapan berhenti splitting?

- Cutoff pada nilai G
- Tree depth
- # leaf nodes

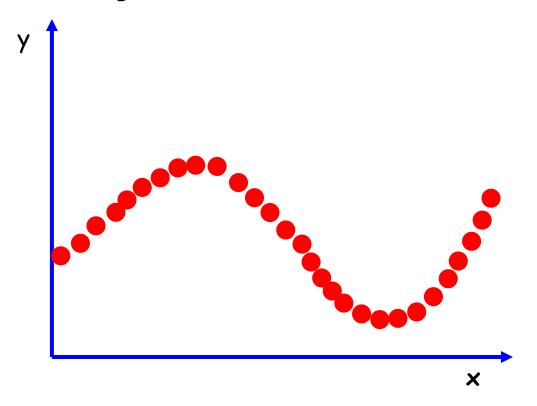
## Konsep Gradient Boosting

- Bagaimana membuat highly-effective model dengan menggabungkan banyak model-model yang "lemah"?
- · Sebuah Ensemble, misal dengan additive model:

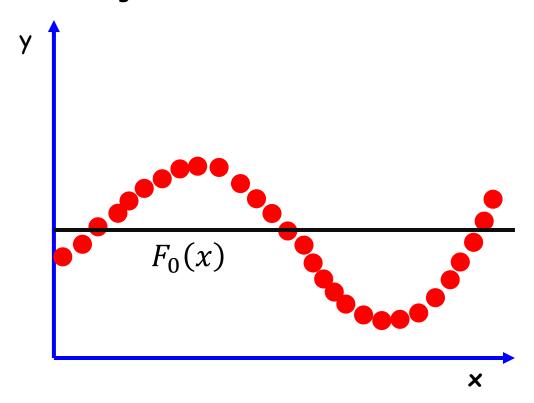
 $Y_{true}$  diprediksi dengan  $F_m(X) = F_0(X) + h_1(X|\theta_1) + h_2(X|\theta_2) + \cdots + h_m(X|\theta_m)$ 

Di setiap stage,  $F_i(X)$  dilatih untuk memprediksi error (**pseudo-residual**) yang dihasilkan model pada stage sebelumnya, yaitu  $Y_{\text{true}} - F_{i-1}(X)$ 

Misal,  $\{(x1, y1), (x2, y2), ..., (xn, yn)\}$  adalah training data



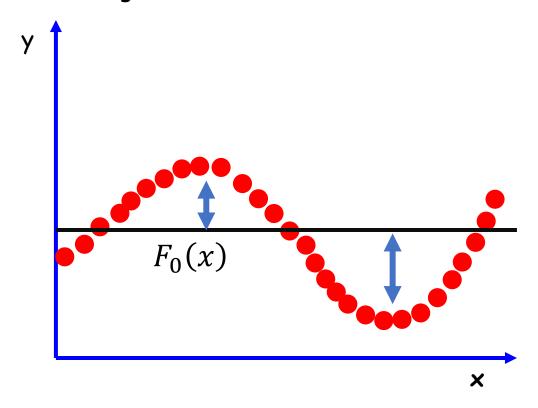
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Dimulai dari sebuah "weak learner" simple:

$$F(x) = F_0(x) = argmin_{\gamma} \sum_{i=1}^{n} L(y_i, \gamma)$$

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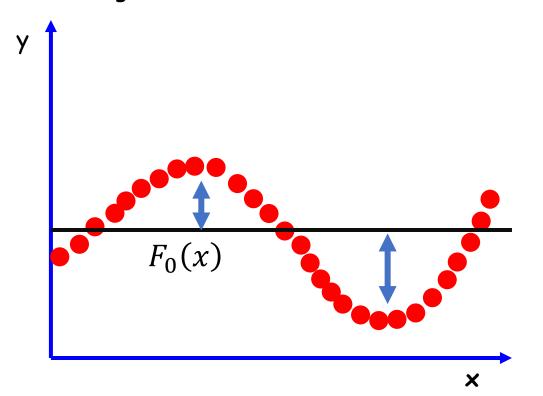


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#### Pseudo-Residual

×	Psedo-Res.	
×1	$y1 - F_0(x1)$	
×2	$y2 - F_0(x2)$	$\mathbf{y} = F_0(\mathbf{x}) + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{(1)}$
xn	$yn - F_0(xn)$	

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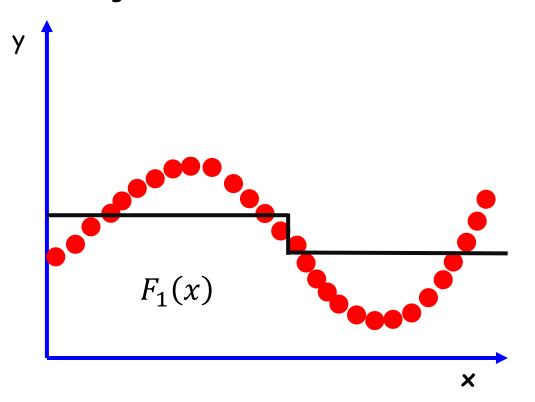
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$$h_1(x) = argmin_h \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n L(y_i - F_0(x_i), h(x_i)) \right]$$

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#### Pseudo-Residual

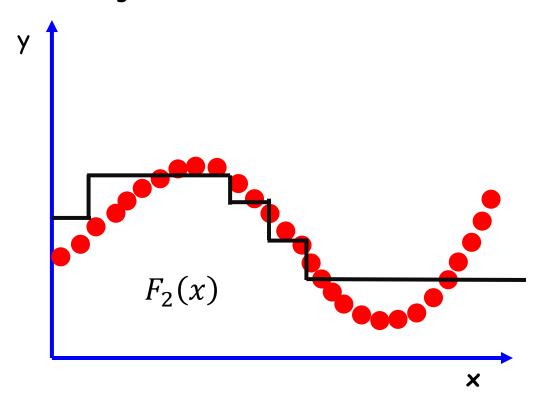
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xn	$yn - F_0(xn)$	

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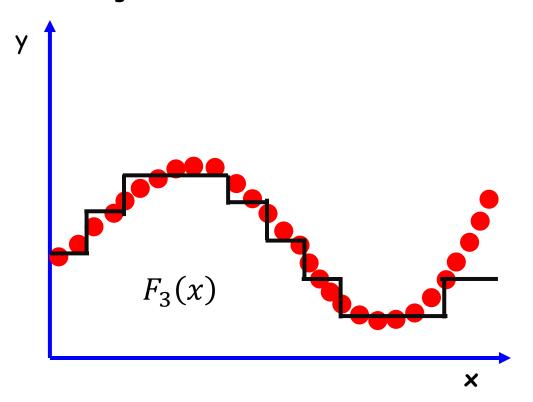
×	Psedo-Res.	
×1	y1 - F <sub>1</sub> (x1)	
x2	$y2 - F_1(x2)$	$y = F_1(x) + \epsilon^{(2)}$
×n	$yn - F_1(xn)$	

Latih weak learner ke-3,  $h_2(x)$ , agar fit dengan **pseudo-residual**, yaitu dengan:

$$h_2(x) = argmin_h \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n L(y_i - F_1(x_i), h(x_i)) \right]$$

$$F(x) = F_2(x) = F_0(x) + h_1(x) + h_2(x)$$

Misal,  $\{(x1, y1), (x2, y2), ..., (xn, yn)\}$  adalah training data



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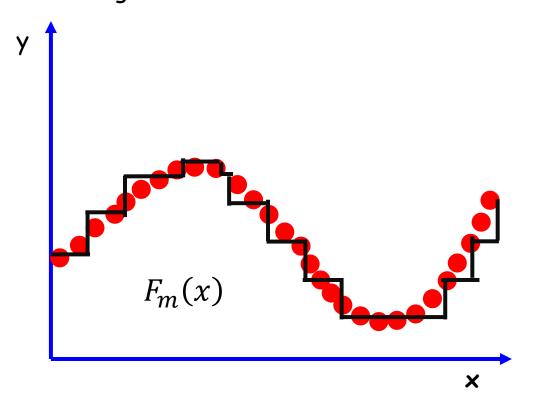
X	Psedo-Res.	
×1	$y1 - F_2(x1)$	
x2	$y2 - F_2(x2)$	$y = F_2(x) + \epsilon^{(3)}$
xn	$yn - F_2(xn)$	

Latih weak learner ke-4,  $h_3(x)$ , agar fit dengan **pseudo-residual**, yaitu dengan:

$$h_3(x) = argmin_h \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n L(y_i - F_2(x_i), h(x_i)) \right]$$

$$F(x) = F_3(x) = F_0(x) + h_1(x) + h_2(x) + h_3(x)$$

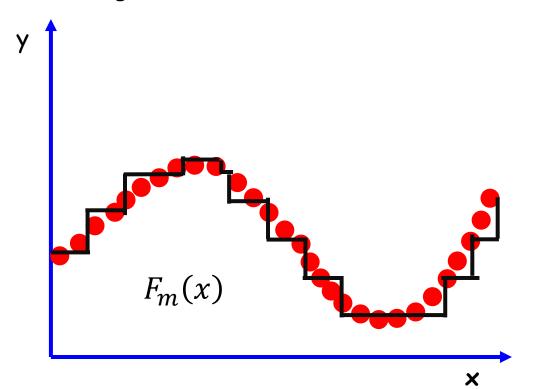
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Dan seterusnya ...

$$F(x) = F_m(x) = F_0(x) + h_1(x) + \dots + h_m(x)$$

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Di setiap iterasi, kita fit weak learner dengan pseudo-residual:

$$h_m(x) = argmin_h \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n L(\epsilon_i^{(m)}, h(x_i)) \right]$$



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$$h_m(x) = argmin_h \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n L(y_i, F_{m-1}(x_i) + h(x_i)) \right]$$

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$$F_m(x) = F_{m-1}(x) + h_m(x)$$

Cari fungsi  $h_m(x)$  yang memprediksi pseudoerror yang dihasilkan oleh  $F_{m-1}(x)$ .



$$F_m(x) = F_{m-1}(x) + \underset{h \in H}{argmin}_{h \in H}$$

$$F_{m}(x) = F_{m-1}(x) + argmin_{h \in H} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{n} L(y_{i}, F_{m-1}(x_{i}) + h(x_{i})) \right]$$

$$F_m(x) = F_0(x) + \beta_1 h_1(x) + \beta_2 h_2(x) + \dots + \beta_m h_m(x)$$



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#### Gradient Boosting

$$F_m(x) = F_{m-1}(x) + \beta_m argmin_{h \in H} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n L(y_i, F_{m-1}(x_i) + h(x_i)) \right]$$

Sudut pandang lain dalam melihat masalah ini adalah dengan melihat pseudo-residual sebagai negative gradient dari loss function dan kemudian melakukan update seperti "gradient-descent algorithm":

$$F_m(x) = F_{m-1}(x) + \beta_m \sum_{i=1}^n -\frac{\partial L(y_i, F_{m-1}(x_i))}{\partial F_{m-1}(x_i)}$$

Cari fungsi  $h_m(x)$  yang memprediksi negative gradient dari L!

Bukti: <a href="https://explained.ai/gradient-boosting/descent.html">https://explained.ai/gradient-boosting/descent.html</a>

#### Gradient Boosting

Mengapa? Pertimbangkan kasus khusus jika Loss adalah berbentuk Squared Error:

$$L = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{2} (y_i - F_{m-1}(x_i))^2$$

$$-\frac{\partial L}{\partial F_{m-1}(x_i)} = y_i - F_{m-1}(x_i) \sim h_m(x_i)$$
 "proportional"

Observasi ini menyarankan bahwa Gradient Boosting bisa diperumum dengan Loss Function apapun dengan:

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### Gradient Boosting Framework

Inisilisasi model dengan nilai konstan:

$$F_0(x) = argmin_{\gamma} \sum_{i=1}^{n} L(y_i, \gamma)$$

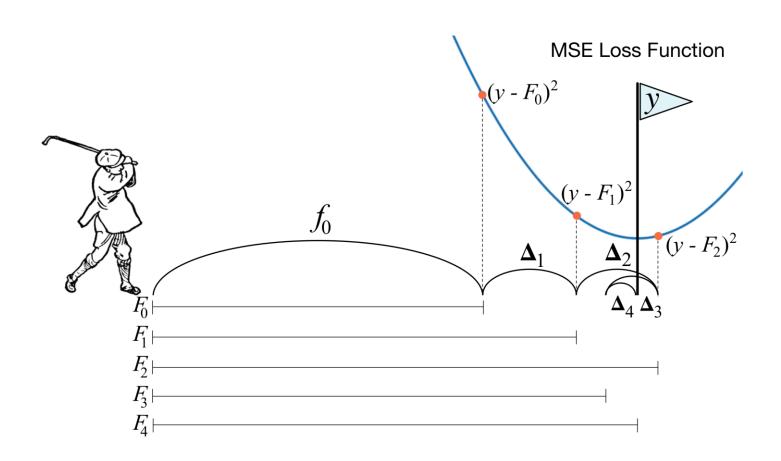
For m = 1 to M:

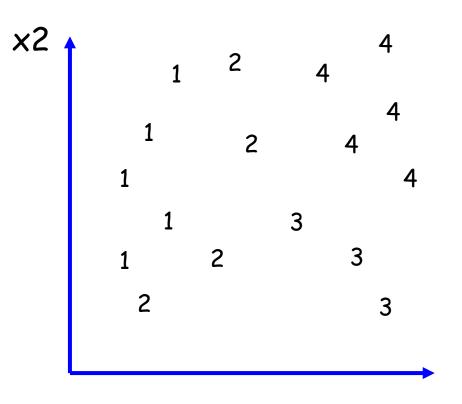
- 1. For i = 1 to n: Hitung pseudo-residual:  $r_{im} = -\left[\frac{\partial L(y_i, F_{m-1}(x_i))}{\partial F_{m-1}(x_i)}\right]$
- 2. Fit weak learner,  $h_m(x)$ , dengan pseudo-residual  $\{(x1, r_{1m}), ..., (x1, r_{nm})\}$
- 3. Cari weight coefficient,  $\beta_m$ , dengan optimization berikut:

$$\beta_m = argmin_{\beta} \sum_{i=1}^n L(y_i, F_{m-1}(x_i) + \beta h_m(x_i))$$

4. Update model:  $F_m(x) = F_{m-1}(x) + \beta_m h_m(x)$ 

#### https://explained.ai/gradient-boosting/descent.html





Initial step: cari sebuah nilai konstan yang meminimalkan loss function.

Misal, loss-function:

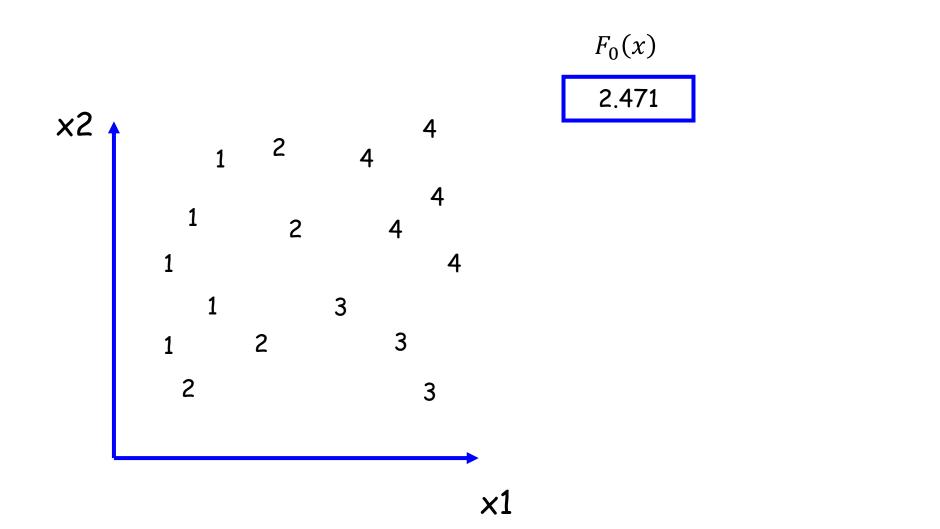
$$L = \sum_{x=1}^{n} \frac{1}{2} (y_i - f(x))^2$$

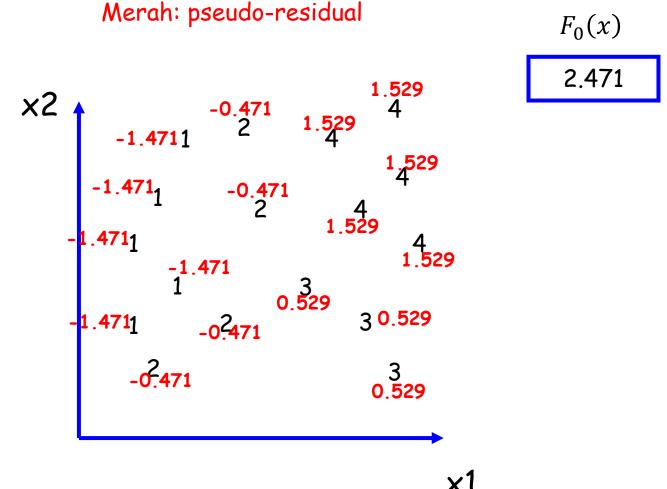
$$L = \frac{5}{2} \cdot (1 - \gamma)^2 + \frac{4}{2} \cdot (2 - \gamma)^2 + \frac{3}{2} \cdot (3 - \gamma)^2 + \frac{5}{2} \cdot (4 - \gamma)^2$$

Set dL/dx = 0 akan menemukan L optimum di y = 2.471

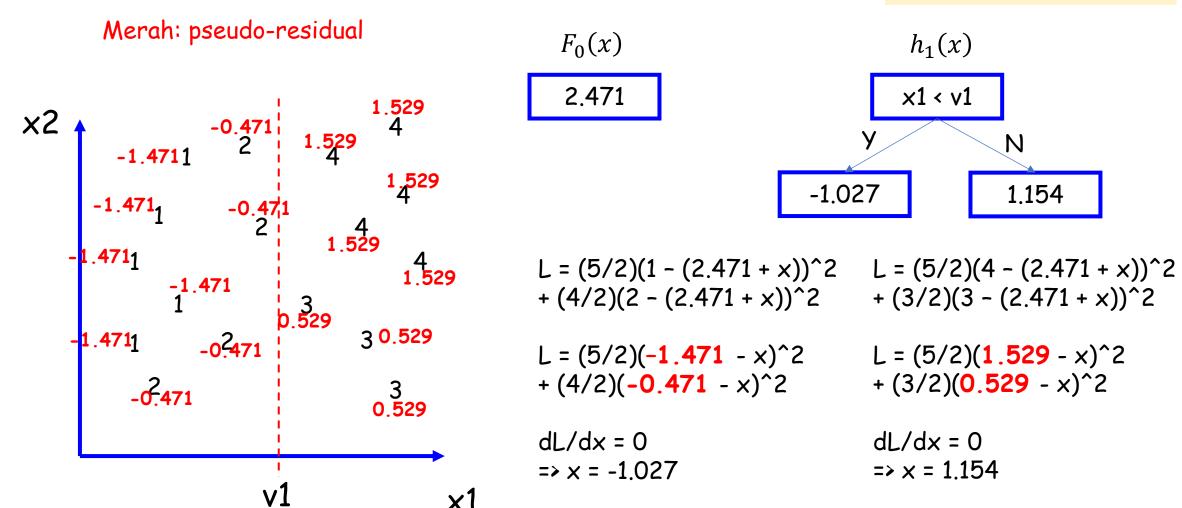
**Jadi**, 
$$f(x) = y = 2.471$$

x1

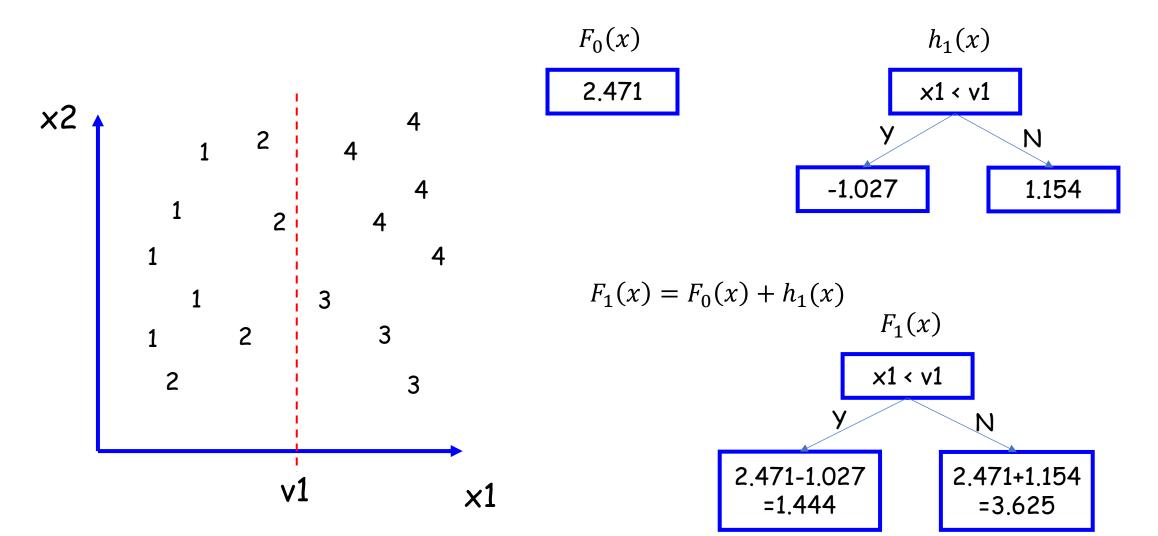


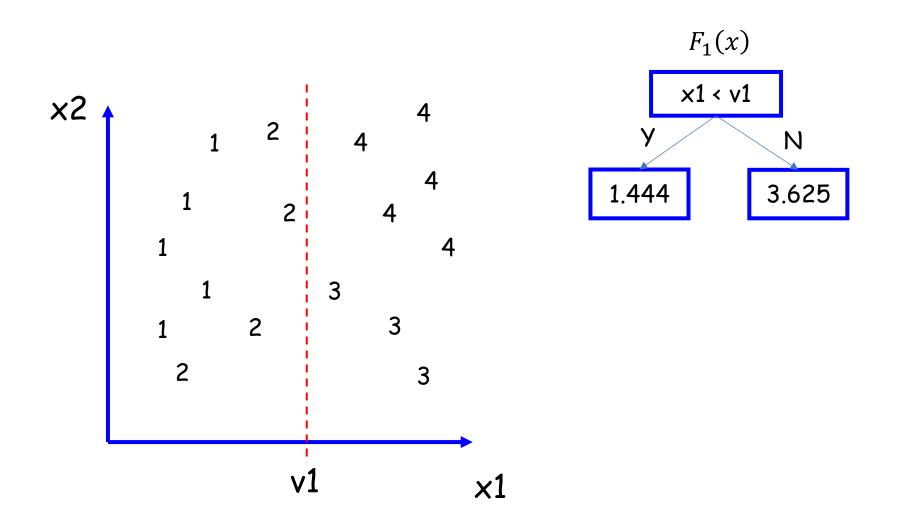


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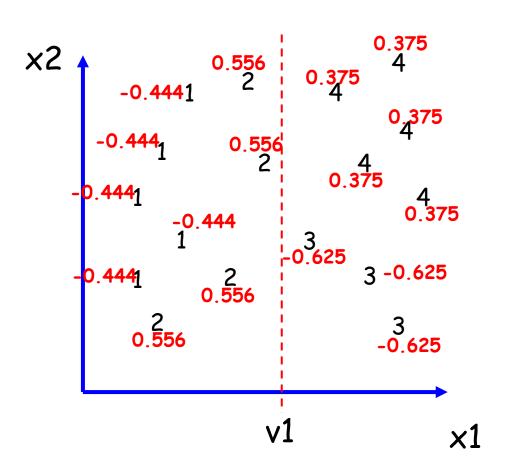


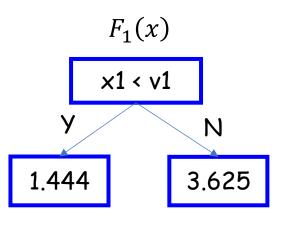
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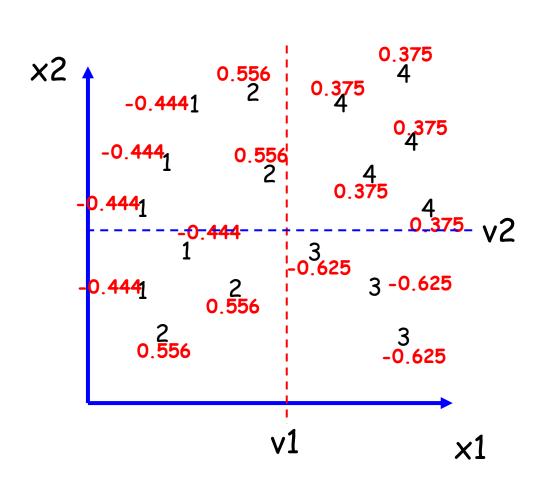
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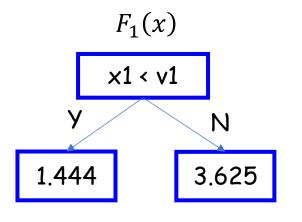


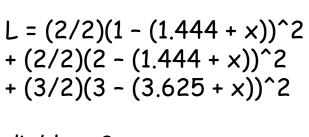


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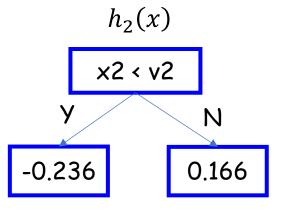
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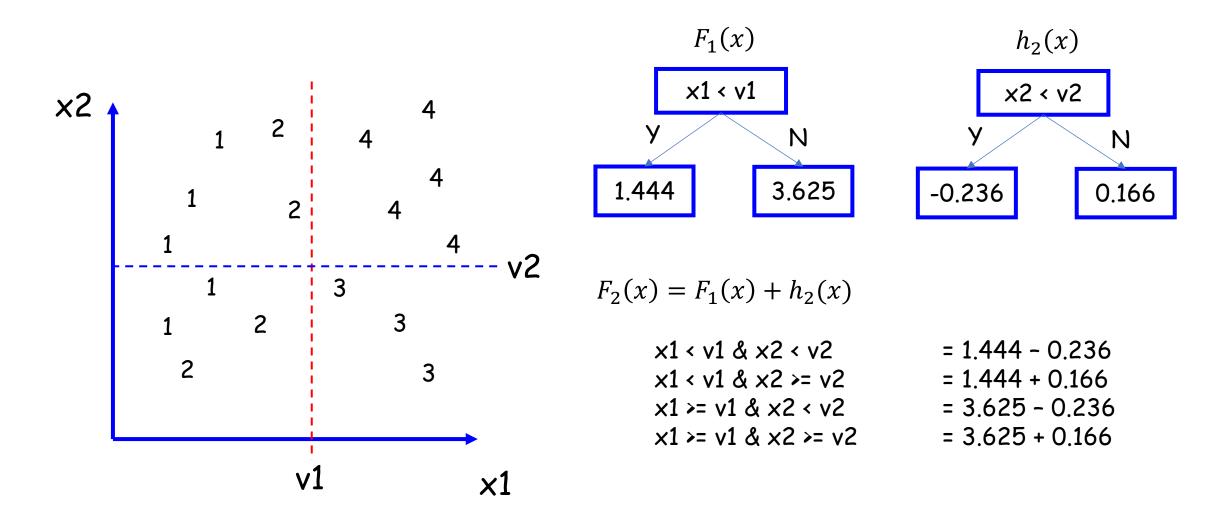
$$dL/dx = 0$$
  
=>  $x = -0.236$ 



$$L = (3/2)(1 - (1.444 + x))^2 + (2/2)(2 - (1.444 + x))^2 + (5/2)(4 - (3.625 + x))^2$$

$$dL/dx = 0$$
  
=> x = 0.166

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1: Initialize F_0(\mathbf{x}) = \arg\min_{\gamma} \sum_{i=1}^{N} L(y_i, \gamma)
 2: for m = 1, ..., M do
            for i = 1, ..., N do
                  \tilde{y}_{im} = -\left[\frac{\partial L(y_i, F(\mathbf{x}_i))}{\partial F(\mathbf{x}_i)}\right]_{F(\mathbf{x}) = F_{m-1}(\mathbf{x})}
             end for
 5:
 6: \{R_{km}\}_{k=1}^{K} // Fit a regression tree to targets \tilde{y}_{im}
 7: for k = 1, ..., K_m do
                   \gamma_{km} = \operatorname{arg\,min}_{\gamma} \sum_{x_i \in R_{im}} L(y_i, F_{m-1}(\mathbf{x}_i) + \gamma)
             end for
            F_m(\mathbf{x}) = F_{m-1}(\mathbf{x}) + \eta \sum_{k=1}^{K_m} \gamma_{km} 1(\mathbf{x}_i \in R_{km})
11: end for
12: Return F_M(\mathbf{x})
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                                                                                          sebuah nilai konstan yang
            for i = 1, ..., N do
                                                                                          meminimalkan error.
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Loop sebanyak M = kita melakukan boosting terhadap fungsi  $F_0(x)$  sebanyak M kali.

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            end for
 5:
             \{R_{km}\}_{k=1}^{K} // Fit a regression tree to targets \tilde{y}_{im}
 6:
             for k = 1, ..., K_m do
                   \gamma_{km} = \operatorname{arg\,min}_{\gamma} \sum_{x_i \in R_{im}} L(y_i, F_{m-1}(\mathbf{x}_i) + \gamma)
             end for
             F_m(\mathbf{x}) = F_{m-1}(\mathbf{x}) + \eta \sum_{k=1}^{K_m} \gamma_{km} 1(\mathbf{x}_i \in R_{km})
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Untuk setiap instance, hitung pseudo-residual (alias negative gradient) yang disebabkan oleh  $F_{m-1}(x)$ 

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Fit sebuah regression tree (sebanyak K leaf nodes) dengan pseudo-residuals.

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Untuk setiap leaf node, hitung nilai representative/wakil.
Jika loss adalah squared error biasa, ini sebenarnya sama dengan menghitung mean untuk semua instance di leaf tersebut.

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Update model terbaru F_m(x)
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                                                                                           yang merupakan hasil boosting
 2: for m = 1, ..., M do
                                                                                           dari model F_{m-1}(x)
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## RankNet (Burges, 2010)

#### Ide

Misal, x adalah representasi vektor dari pasangan <query, dokumen>.

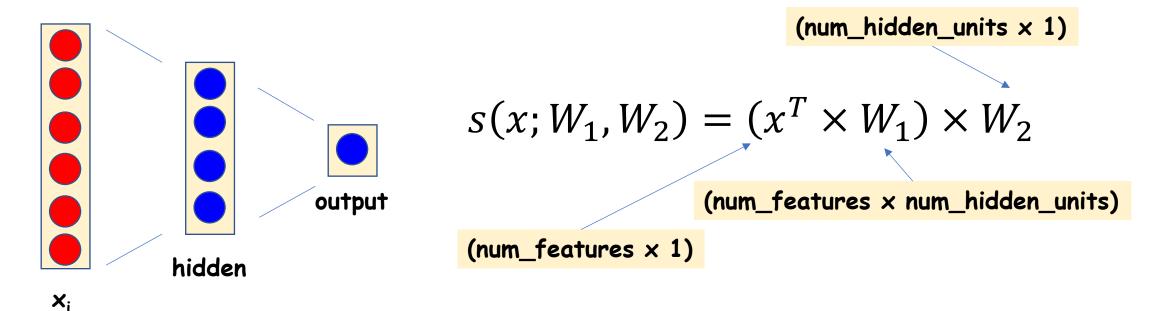
Kita ingin mempunyai sebuah fungsi skor  $s(x_i)$  yang dapat digunakan untuk ranking dokumen terhadap suatu query.

#### Misal:

## $s(x_i)$

 Bisa berupa beberapa feed-forward neural networks dengan output berdimensi 1.

• Misal,  $s(x_i; W1, W2)$  dengan 2-layer neural networks:



 $P_{ij}$ : Probabilitas bahwa doc i lebih relevan dibandingkan doc j.

## RankNet dilatih secara "pairwise"

Contoh format training data:

Actual probability = P<sub>ij</sub>, 1 jika doc i lebih relevan dari doc j; 0 jika sebaliknya; dan 0.5 jika sama relevansinya.

x1: q1, (d1, d5) 
$$P_{1,5}$$
: 1  
x2: q1, (d5, d9)  $P_{5,9}$ : 0  
x3: q1, (d4, d10)  $P_{4,10}$ : 0.5  
x4: q2, (d2, d18)  $P_{2,18}$ : 0  
x5: q2, (d13, d18)  $P_{13,18}$ : 1

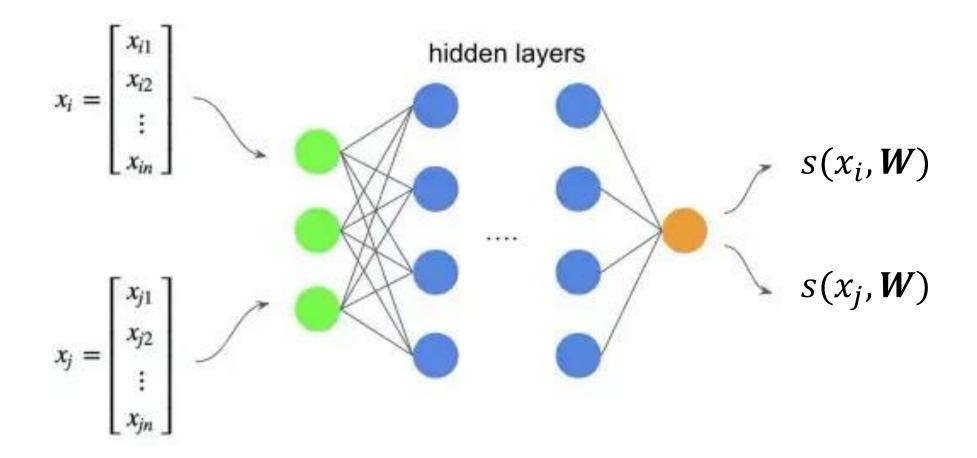
Model probability

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Loss function -> binary cross entropy:

$$L = -P_{i,j}\log(\hat{P}_{i,j}) - (1 - P_{i,j})\log(1 - \hat{P}_{i,j})$$

## RankNet dilatih secara "pairwise"



https://medium.com/swlh/ranknet-factorised-ranknet-lambdarank-explained-implementation-viatensorflow-2-0-part-i-1e71d8923132

## RankNet dilatih secara "pairwise"

$$L = -P_{i,j} \log(\hat{P}_{i,j}) - (1 - P_{i,j}) \log(1 - \hat{P}_{i,j})$$
$$= -P_{i,j} \left( s(x_i) - s(x_j) \right) + \log\left( 1 + \exp\left( s(x_i) - s(x_j) \right) \right)$$

Dapat ditunjukkan bahwa:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial s(x_i)} = -\frac{\partial L}{\partial s(x_j)} \qquad \qquad \frac{\partial L}{\partial W} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial s(x_i)} \frac{\partial s(x_i)}{\partial W} + \frac{\partial L}{\partial s(x_j)} \frac{\partial s(x_j)}{\partial W}$$

Berlanjut ke halaman berikutnya ...

## RankNet's "Lambda" $\lambda_{ij}$

The desired change of scores for the pair of doc i and doc j

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial s(x_i)} = -\frac{\partial L}{\partial s(x_j)} = \frac{\exp\left(s(x_i) - s(x_j)\right)}{1 + \exp\left(s(x_i) - s(x_j)\right)} - P_{ij} = \hat{P}_{ij} - P_{ij} = \lambda_{ij}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial W} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial s(x_i)} \frac{\partial s(x_i)}{\partial W} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial s(x_i)} \frac{\partial s(x_j)}{\partial W}$$

$$= \frac{\partial L}{\partial s(x_i)} \left( \frac{\partial s(x_i)}{\partial W} - \frac{\partial s(x_j)}{\partial W} \right)$$

$$= \lambda_{ij} \left( \frac{\partial s(x_i)}{\partial W} - \frac{\partial s(x_j)}{\partial W} \right)$$

Predicted Prob - True Prob

Untuk update parameter **W** dalam sekali loop gradient descent, perlu menghitung nilai **lambda** ini.

## RankNet's "Lambda" $\lambda_{ij}$



Untuk sebuah pasangan doc i dan doc j,

\[ \lambda\_{ij} \] merepresentasikan laju perubahan pada
loss/error yang disebabkan oleh perubahan pada
skor untuk doc i (kontribusi ke error yang
disebabkan s(xi)) atau doc j (untuk arah
berlawanan)



Misal, gold standard mengatakan bahwa D12 lebih relevan dibandingkan D11, yaitu  $P_{12,11}=1$  atau  $P_{11,12}=0$ .

Namun model mengatakan  $\hat{p}_{12,11}=0.2$  atau  $\hat{p}_{11,12}=0.8$ 

$$\lambda_{12.11} = -0.8$$

Artinya, loss akan turun, jika skor D12 "dinaikkan" (ranking D12 "dinaikkan ke atas")

## Training RankNet

Update Parameter dengan Stochastic Gradient Descent

Untuk setiap pasangan doc i dan doc j:

$$W \coloneqq W - \alpha \cdot \lambda_{ij} \left( \frac{\partial s(x_i)}{\partial W} - \frac{\partial s(x_j)}{\partial W} \right)$$

## $\lambda_i$ = Gradient

### "Lambda" w.r.t doc i -> $\lambda_i$

- $\lambda_i$ : Total kontribusi doc i terhadap error/loss
- Misal,  $\boldsymbol{I}$  adalah himpunan pasangan (i, j) dimana doc i lebih relevan dibandingkan doc j.

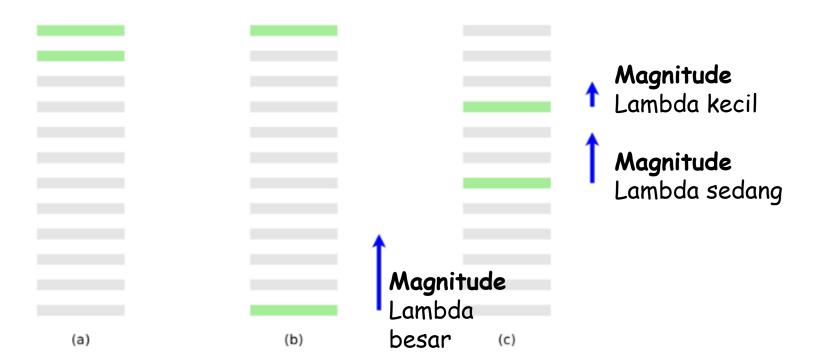
$$\lambda_i = \sum_{j:(i,j)\in I} \lambda_{ij} - \sum_{j:(j,i)\in I} \lambda_{ij}$$

Total ketika doc i lebih relevan dibandingkan pasangannya.

Total ketika doc i **kurang** relevan dibandingkan pasangannya.

### "Lambda" w.r.t doc i -> $\lambda_i$

(a) is the perfect ranking, (b) is a ranking with 10 pairwise errors, (c) is a ranking with 8 pairwise errors. Each blue arrow represents the  $\lambda_i$  for each query-document vector  $x_i$ 



Inversion / pairwise error: sebuah pasangan "tak terurut"

Prinsip training RankNet adalah meminimalkan the number of inversions pada ranking.

Dari Slide Chris Manning & Pandu Nayak, Learning-to-Rank, KuliahWeb Search & IR, Stanford U.

### LambdaRank

#### Problem with RankNet's Lambda

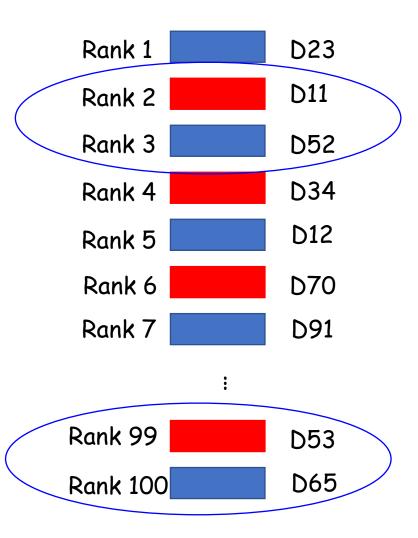
Problem: RankNet is based on pairwise error, while modern IR measures emphasize higher ranking positions. Red arrows show better  $\lambda$ 's for modern IR, esp. web search.



Ingat di kuliah topik IR evaluation, bahwa user lebih sering melihat top rank positions dibandingkan yang di bawah. Jadi, perubahan di top rank positions seharusnya mempunyai "bobot lebih".

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### Problem with RankNet's Lambda



Misal, 
$$\hat{P}_{52,11} = \hat{P}_{65,53}$$
.

Dengan informasi ini, RankNet melihat bahwa:

$$\lambda_{52,11} = \lambda_{65,53}$$

Menurut Anda apakah hal ini "make sense"?

## Normalized DCG (NDCG) $NDCG@K = \frac{DCG@K}{IDCG@K}$

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DCG@K dibagi dengan DCG@K ketika "ranking ideal"

#### Contoh:

sebuah ranking r = [0, 1, 0, 1, 1], dengan asumsi hanya ada 3 relevant documents di koleksi.

$$r_{ideal} = [1, 1, 1, 0, 0]$$

$$DCG@5(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{0}{\log_2(2)} + \frac{1}{\log_2(3)} + \frac{0}{\log_2(4)} + \frac{1}{\log_2(5)} + \frac{1}{\log_2(6)} = 1.45$$

$$IDCG@5(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{\log_2(2)} + \frac{1}{\log_2(3)} + \frac{1}{\log_2(4)} + \frac{0}{\log_2(5)} + \frac{0}{\log_2(6)} = 2.13$$

$$NDCG@5(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1.45}{2.13} = 0.68$$

## ANDCG ketika dua dokumen di-swap

$$r = [0, 1, 0, 1, 1]$$
  $DCG = 1.45$   $NDCG = 0.68$   $r = [1, 0, 0, 1, 1]$   $DCG = 1.82$   $NDCG = 0.85$ 

$$r = [0, 1, 0, 1, 1]$$
 DCG = 1.45 NDCG = 0.68  
 $r = [0, 1, 1, 0, 1]$  DCG = 1.52 NDCG = 0.71  $\triangle$ NDCG = 0.03

Semuanya mempunyai ranking ideal yang sama:

$$r_{ideal} = [1, 1, 1, 0, 0] DCG = 2.13$$

$$IDCG@5(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{\log_2(2)} + \frac{1}{\log_2(3)} + \frac{1}{\log_2(4)} + \frac{0}{\log_2(5)} + \frac{0}{\log_2(6)} = 2.13$$

Artinya, swap dua dokumen di posisi rank tinggi lebih memberikan dampak

#### Lambda "RankNet" vs Lambda "LambdaRank"

Lambda-nya RankNet

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Lambda pada RankNet tidak peduli dengan posisi ranking! Lambda pasangan dok rank 1 & 2 bisa saja sama dengan Lambda pasangan dok rank 500 & 501.

#### Lambda "RankNet" vs Lambda "LambdaRank"

Lambda-nya LambdaRank

$$\lambda_{ij} = \frac{-1}{1 + \exp\left(s(x_i) - s(x_j)\right)} \cdot |\Delta NDCG_{ij}|$$

Agar "positionally aware", dikali nilai **\DCG** ketika **rank position doc i dan doc j di-swap** 

#### Lambda "RankNet" vs Lambda "LambdaRank"

Lambda-nya LambdaRank

$$\lambda_{ij} = \frac{-1}{1 + \exp\left(s(x_i) - s(x_j)\right)} . |\Delta METRIC_{ij}|$$

Bisa diperumum dengan Top-Weighted metric lain seperti RBP dan Average Precision (AP).

## Training LambdaRank

Sama saja seperti RankNet, namun Lambda sudah berubah!

Untuk setiap pasangan doc i dan doc j:

$$W := W - \alpha \cdot \lambda_{ij} \left( \frac{\partial s(x_i)}{\partial W} - \frac{\partial s(x_j)}{\partial W} \right)$$

# LambdaMART "Lambda-Boosted Regression Trees"

- P<sub>ij</sub> pada RankNet dan LambdaRank sebenarnya dilatih dengan gaya "binary classification" via "logistic regression".
  - 1 jika doc i lebih relevan dibandingkan doc j
  - O jika sebaliknya.
- Kita perlu cari loss function yang cocok untuk binary classification.

Singkat cerita, Burges et al., menggunakan loss function berikut untuk MART jika digunakan untuk binary classification:

$$L(y_i, F(x_i)) = \log(1 + \exp(-2y_iF(x_i)))$$

Dengan catatan  $y_i \in \{-1, +1\}$  dan BUKAN  $\{0, 1\}$ 

Sehingga negative gradient dari loss function tersebut w.r.t  $F_{m-1}(x)$  adalah:

$$-\frac{\partial L(y_i, F_{m-1}(x_i))}{\partial F_{m-1}(x_i)} = \frac{2.y_i}{1 + \exp(2.y_i, F_{m-1}(x_i))}$$

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Sekilas mirip Lambda di LambdaRank.

Tetapi tetap saja, pada LambdaMART, pseudo-residuals (negative gradient) yang digunakan adalah:

$$\lambda_i = \sum_{j:(i,j)\in I} \lambda_{ij} - \sum_{j:(j,i)\in I} \lambda_{ij}$$

dimana 
$$\lambda_{ij} = \frac{-1}{1 + \exp\left(s(x_i) - s(x_j)\right)} \cdot |\Delta METRIC_{ij}|$$

Metric bisa diganti dengan NDCG, DCG, RBP, AP, atau yang lainnya.

### Gradient Descent vs Newton's Method

Daripada menggunakan **Gradient Descent Step** (seperti MART biasa), Burges et al. memilih untuk menggunakan **Newton's Step**.

Newton's Step membutuhkan perhitungan hessian.

Gradient Descent

$$\theta_{t+1} = \theta_t - \alpha \nabla L(y, f(x|\theta_t))$$

Newton's Method

$$\theta_{t+1} = \theta_t - \alpha \frac{\nabla L(y, f(x|\theta_t))}{\nabla^2 L(y, f(x|\theta_t))}$$

### LambdaRank + MART

#### Algorithm: LambdaMART

set number of trees N, number of training samples m, number of leaves per tree L, learning rate  $\eta$ 

for i = 0 to m do

$$F_0(x_i) = \text{BaseModel}(x_i)$$
 //If BaseModel is empty, set  $F_0(x_i) = 0$ 

#### end for

for k = 1 to N do

**for** 
$$i = 0$$
 to  $m$  **do**

$$y_i = \lambda_i$$

$$w_i = \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial F_{k-1}(x_i)}$$

Hessian dari loss function atau turunan dari Lambda

#### end for

$$\{R_{lk}\}_{l=1}^{L}$$
 // Create L leaf tree on  $\{x_i, y_i\}_{i=1}^{m}$ 

$$\gamma_{lk} = \frac{\sum_{x_i \in R_{lk}} y_i}{\sum_{x_i \in R_{lk}} w_i}$$
 // Assign leaf values based on Newton step.

$$F_k(x_i) = F_{k-1}(x_i) + \eta \sum_{l} \gamma_{lk} I(x_i \in R_{lk})$$
 // Take step with learning rate  $\eta$ .

#### end for