# CITS3401 - Data Warehousing - Project 2: Pattern Discovery and Building Predictive Models of Mobile Phone Price

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# 1 Introduction

For this project, we would like to use the mobile price classification dataset as the source of data. The target of this project is to predict whether the price of a mobile phone is high or not.

# 1.1 Tasks and Scope

#### 1.1.1 1) Data cleaning and analysis

- Read through the table and the table column descriptions. Understand the meaning of each column in the table.
- Distinguish the type of each attribute (e.g., nominal/categorical, numerical). You may need to discretise some attributes, when completing Task 2, 3 or 4.
- Determine whether an attribute is relevant to your target variable. You may remove some attributes if they are not helpful for Task 2, 3, or 4. You might create separate data files for Task 2, 3 and 4.
- Identify inconsistent data and take actions using the knowledge you have learnt in this unit.

#### 1.1.2 2) Association rule mining

- Select a subset of the attributes (or all the attributes) to mine interesting patterns. To rank the degree of interesting of the rules extracted, use support, confidence and lift.
- Explain the top k rules (according to lift or confidence) that have the "price\_category" on the right-hand-side, where  $k \ge 1$ .
- Explain the meaning of the k rules in plain English.
- Given the rules, what recommendation will you give to a company willing to design a high price mobile phone (e.g., should the mobile phone equipped with bluetooth)?

#### 1.1.3 3) Classification

- Use the "price\_category" as the target variable and train two classifiers based on different machine learning algorithms (e.g. classifier 1 based on a decision tree; classifier 2 based on SVMs).
- Evaluate the classifiers based on some evaluation metrics (e.g., accuracy). You may use 10-fold cross-validation for the evaluation.

### 1.1.4 4) Clustering

• Run a clustering algorithm of your choice and explain how the results can be interpreted with respect to the target variable.

## 1.1.5 5) Data reduction

- Perform numerosity reduction and perform attribute reduction.
- Train the two classifiers in Task 3 on the reduced data.
- Answer the question: "Does data reduction improve the quality of the classifiers"?

#### 1.1.6 6) Attribute selection

- Select the top-10 most important attributes manually based on your understanding of the problem; select the top-10 most important attributes based on Information Gain.
- Which attribute selection method is better and why?

# 1.2 Marking Scheme

[5 marks] Explain the data processing operations (e.g., remove some attributes and action on inconsistent data) that you have done.

[5 marks] Explain and interpret the top k association rules mined; based on the association rules, provide a recommendation for a company willing to design a high price mobile phone.

[5 marks] Explain how you train the classifiers and your evaluation results.

[5 marks] Clustering and interpretation of the clustering result (with respect to the target variable).

[5 marks] Explain the data reduction you have performed; compare the classifiers trained on reduced data with the classifiers trained on the original data.

[5 marks] Your answer to Task 6.

#### 1.3 Tools, Libraries and Packages

Python - Used throughout the project for data cleaning, data processing, and modelling.

## 1.3.1 Imports

https://graphviz.org/download/

```
[]: pip install pandas-profiling[notebook] mlxtend clusteval pca graphviz dtreeviz⊔

→tabulate --user
```

```
[2]: # Data analysis, manipulation, and profiling
import pandas as pd
pd.options.display.max_colwidth = 100
pd.set_option("display.notebook_repr_html", False)

import numpy as np
from pandas_profiling import ProfileReport
```

```
# Visualization
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
sns.set_style("darkgrid", {"axes.facecolor": ".9"})
# Association Rule Mining
from mlxtend.frequent_patterns import apriori, association_rules
# Training Setups
from sklearn.model selection import train test split
from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline
# Preprocessings and Attribute Selections
from sklearn.impute import SimpleImputer
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
from sklearn.decomposition import PCA
# selection of best attributes from by default using f-score https://
\rightarrow scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.feature_selection.
\hookrightarrow f_classif.html
from sklearn.feature selection import SelectKBest, mutual info classif,
→f classif
# Classifiers
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier, plot_tree
from sklearn.svm import SVC # Support Vector Machine Classifier
from sklearn import tree
import graphviz
from dtreeviz.trees import dtreeviz
RANDOM_STATE = 1 # Used as a seed value
CROSS VALIDATION PARTITION = 10
NUMBER_OF_BEST_HYPER_PARAMS_TO_SHOW = 5
# Optimisation
from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV # tuning the model
from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score, cross_validate
# Clustering
from clusteval import clusteval
from sklearn.preprocessing import MinMaxScaler
from sklearn.cluster import KMeans, AgglomerativeClustering
from scipy.cluster import hierarchy
from scipy.cluster.hierarchy import dendrogram
# Data Reduction
from sklearn.ensemble import IsolationForest
```

```
from sklearn.svm import OneClassSVM
from sklearn.covariance import EllipticEnvelope
from sklearn.cluster import DBSCAN
from pca import pca
```

# 2 Data Cleaning and Profiling

There are many ways to approach a project's data cleaning, and data profiling steps. For these processes (in Project 2) we will be using an IPython Notebook, for the following reasons:

- Both group members are proficient in Python;
- The report can be integrated with code for specific sections of the analysis;
- The processes / procedures are highly repeatable and easily automated using scripts;
- Data exploration and anomaly detection can easily be performed through a variety of visualizations (charts, graphs, tables, etc);

The packages that will be used are built in to the default Anaconda package, with exception to pandas\_profiling, mlxtend, and pca.

- pandas\_profiling (from https://github.com/pandas-profiling/pandas-profiling) was leveraged to provide a detailed exploratory analysis of our data, and the attributes we would be working with. Data profiling is crucial to the measurement of the quality of data, which in turn greatly assists the analyst team in their discovery of data anomalies/inconsistencies, and as such, appropriate data transformations and/or pre-processing actions. The data-profiling reports (generated by this package) will be referenced in our project discussion, with the full resource located in the appendix.
- mlxtend (from https://github.com/rasbt/mlxtend) was used in our Association Rule Mining section, to assist in the mining of such associated rules.
- pca (from https://github.com/erdogant/pca) was used for graphical presentation of the Principal Component Analysis.

### 2.1 Profiling Report

With the imported metadata, and raw dataset, we can now populate and generate a pandas\_profiling report. For reference, see Raw Data Profiling Report, in the apendix.

## 2.2 Raw Data - Interpretation, Analysis, and Cleaning

Here, we will walk through the fields presented in the raw data, stating assumptions/decisions, and undertaking any appropriate cleaning steps. In the event of changes, we will apply them to the staging\_data data frame, and staging\_metadata dictionary.

ID The id field is unique, and it seems to be a good candidate for primary key. Note, we will NOT be using ID for any analysis, as it is an irrelevant attribute.

battery\_power The battery\_power has 1094 distinct counts, approximately half the distinct counts of id. This data is continuous, and as such, we shall discretise for the later association rule mining.

```
[]: staging_data = create_discretised_col(staging_data, "battery_power",⊔

→is_zero_its_own_category = False)
```

blue This ("has bluetooth") field is a categorical data type (boolean), expressed (poorly) in stringform, with many inconsistencies. We observe 10 distinct values that all refer to either the phone having bluetooth (True), or not having bluetooth (False). The inconsistencies must be attributed to an appropriate boolean value, and as such, this field needs to be cleaned.

```
[]: staging_data["has_bluetooth"] = staging_data["blue"].apply(string_to_bool) staging_metadata.loc["blue", "new_name"] = "has_bluetooth" # Rename metadata
```

**clock\_speed** The clock\_speed attribute has 26 distinct values for which 413 of the records have a value of 0.5. We note that the distribution of values in the histogram is right skewed. This data is continuous and will need to be discretised if we wish to use it in the association rule mining process.

```
[]: staging_data = create_discretised_col(staging_data, "clock_speed",⊔

→is_zero_its_own_category = False)
```

dual\_sim The dual\_sim attirbute is similar to the blue / has\_bluetooth attribute, wherein it is a categorical datatype (boolean) with its inconsistencies forming 10 (string) distinct values. Hence, the procedure of cleaning will be similar.

```
[]: staging_data["has_dual_sim"] = staging_data["dual_sim"].apply(string_to_bool) staging_metadata.loc["dual_sim", "new_name"] = "has_dual_sim" # Rename metadata
```

fc The (Front Camera) fc attribute has 474 (23.7% of the dataset) zero values. We will be interpreting the zero values as "this phone does not have a front camera" (please see the **Data Privacy Disclaimer** below). This continuous data will be discretised for later (association rule mining) purposes, with present zero values (as a result of our domain interpretation) populating their own level within this category.

```
[]: staging_data["front_cam_resolution"] = staging_data["fc"]
staging_metadata.loc["fc","new_name"] = "front_cam_resolution" # Rename metadata
staging_data = create_discretised_col(staging_data, "front_cam_resolution",

→is_zero_its_own_category = True)
```

four\_g The four\_g attribute is a categorical (boolean) attribute, with values indicated as yes = 1 and no = 0 regarding (the phone's) 4G capability. For consistency, this will be converted from current numeric form to boolean type.

```
[]: staging_data["has_four_g"] = staging_data["four_g"].apply(int_to_bool) staging_metadata.loc["four_g","new_name"] = "has_four_g" # Rename metadata
```

int\_memory The int\_memory (Internal Memory) attribute has 63 distinct values that vary as shown in the profiling-report histogram. There are no records of phones having 0 GB as the storage which would be expected, as phones would require a minimum amount of memory to host their respective operating software/s. This continuous data will be discretised for later use in the association rule mining phase.

```
[]: staging_data = create_discretised_col(staging_data, "int_memory", □

is_zero_its_own_category = False)
```

m\_dep The m\_dep (Mobile Depth) attribute has 10 distinct values that vary as shown in the profiling-report histogram. The minimum values do not make much sense, however, please refer to the **Data Privacy Disclaimer** below. Additionally, this continuous data will be discretised for later (association rule mining) purposes.

```
[]: staging_data["mobile_depth"] = staging_data["m_dep"]
staging_metadata.loc["m_dep","new_name"] = "mobile_depth" # Rename metadata
staging_data = create_discretised_col(staging_data, "mobile_depth",

→is_zero_its_own_category = False)
```

mobile\_wt The mobile\_wt (Mobile Weight) attribute has 121 distinct values that vary as shown in the profiling-report histogram. The respective min and max values are 80 and 200, measured in presumably grams. This continuous data will be discritised for later association rule mining purposes.

```
[]: staging_data["mobile_weight"] = staging_data["mobile_wt"] staging_metadata.loc["mobile_wt","new_name"] = "mobile_weight" # Rename metadata staging_data = create_discretised_col(staging_data, "mobile_weight", 

→is_zero_its_own_category = False)
```

**n\_cores** The **n\_cores** (*Number of Cores*) attribute looks almost uniform in the range 1-8. This is categorical (numerical) data, and requires no further attention at this moment.

```
[]: staging_data["number_of_cores"] = staging_data["n_cores"] staging_metadata.loc["n_cores", "new_name"] = "number_of_cores" # Rename metadata
```

pc The pc (*Primary Camera Resolution*) attribute displays 21 distinct values, with 101 zero values (5.1% of the data). We will be interpreting the zero values as "this phone does not have a primary camera", (please see the *Data Privacy Disclaimer* below). This continuous data will be discretised for later (association rule mining) purposes, with present zero values (as a result of our domain interpretation) populating their own level within this category.

```
[]: staging_data["primary_cam_resolution"] = staging_data["pc"]
staging_metadata.loc["pc","new_name"] = "primary_cam_resolution"
staging_data = create_discretised_col(staging_data, "primary_cam_resolution",

→is_zero_its_own_category = True)
```

px\_height The px\_height (*Pixel Height*) attribute has a right-skewed, normal distribution, with a mean and standard deviation of 645 and 443.79 pixels (respectively), and values falling in the range 0-1960. We will be interpreting the two zero values as *extremely small*, but not zero values, (please see the **Data Privacy Disclaimer** below). This notion also applies to the nonsensical low values. For association rule mining purposes, this continuous data will be discretised, wherein (as per the assumption above) the zero values will fall within the first category, shared by other values (relatively) close to zero.

```
[19]: staging_data = create_discretised_col(staging_data, "px_height", □

→is_zero_its_own_category = False)
```

px\_width The px\_width (*Pixel Width*) attribute has a varying distribution of values in the range 500 to 1998. This continuous data will be discretised, for later (association rule mining) purposes.

```
[]: staging_data = create_discretised_col(staging_data, "px_width", □

→is_zero_its_own_category = False)
```

ram The ram attribute has a varying distribution of values in the range 256-3998. This continuous data will be discretised, for later (association rule mining) purposes.

```
[]: # Discretizing ram
staging_data = create_discretised_col(staging_data, "ram", □
→is_zero_its_own_category = False)
```

sc\_h The sc\_h (Screen Height) attributes has 15 distinct values with a range of 5-19. This continuous data will be discretised, for later (association rule mining) purposes.

```
[]: staging_data["screen_height"] = staging_data["sc_h"]
staging_metadata.loc["sc_h","new_name"] = "screen_height" # Rename metadata
staging_data = create_discretised_col(staging_data, "screen_height",

→is_zero_its_own_category = False)
```

sc\_w The sc\_w (Screen Width) attribute has 19 distinct values with a range of 0-18 with 180 zero values. These zero values do not make real world sense, and so we will be interpreting any zero values as representatives of sensible, low values (please see the **Data Privacy Disclaimer** below). Note that this notion also applies to any non-zero, nonsensical low values. For association rule mining purposes, this continuous data will be discretised, wherein (as per the assumption above) the zero values will fall within the first category, shared by other values (relatively) close to zero.

```
[]: staging_data["screen_width"] = staging_data["sc_w"]
staging_metadata.loc["sc_w","new_name"] = "screen_width" # Rename metadata
staging_data = create_discretised_col(staging_data, "screen_width",

→is_zero_its_own_category = False)
```

talk\_time The talk\_time attribute has 19 distinct values with a range 2-20. This continuous data will be discretised, for later (association rule mining) purposes.

```
[]: staging_data = create_discretised_col(staging_data, "talk_time", □

→is_zero_its_own_category = False)
```

three\_g The three\_g attribute is similar to the has\_bluetooth and dual\_sim attribute, wherein it is a categorical (boolean) datatype, with inconsistencies spread to 10 (string) distinct values. As such, the cleaning procedure will be similar.

```
[]: staging_data["has_three_g"] = staging_data["three_g"].apply(string_to_bool) staging_metadata.loc["three_g", "new_name"] = "has_three_g" # Rename metadata
```

touch\_screen The touch\_screen attribute is a categorical (boolean) attribute, similar to the initial state of the imported four\_g attribute. Hence, the cleaning procedure is similar.

```
[]: staging_data["has_touch_screen"] = staging_data["touch_screen"].

→apply(int_to_bool)

staging_metadata.loc["touch_screen", "new_name"] = "has_touch_screen" # Rename_

→metadata
```

wifi The wifi (has wifi) attribute is similar to blue,dual\_sim and three\_g attribute, wherein it is a boolean datatype with inconsistencies spread to 10 (string) distinct values. Hence, the procedure of cleaning will be similar.

```
[]: staging_data["has_wifi"] = staging_data["wifi"].apply(string_to_bool) staging_metadata.loc["wifi","new_name"] = "has_wifi" # Rename metadata
```

price\_category The price\_category attribute is categorical (boolean) data, similar to the representation of four\_g and touch\_screen. Hence, the cleaning procedure is similar.

```
[]: staging_data["is_expensive"] = staging_data["price_category"].apply(int_to_bool) staging_metadata.loc["price_category","new_name"] = "is_expensive" # Rename_

→ metadata
```

## 2.3 Data Privacy Disclaimer

The data provided (mobile\_prices.csv) has had some of it's real world values altered for privacy and/or legal reasons. As such, decisions were made on how to best interpret unusual / nonsensical values equal, or approximately equal to zero.

### 2.3.1 Appropriate zero values

- primary\_camera\_resolution
- front\_camera\_resolution

Zero values for these attributes can be observed as the phone not having the attribute. This makes sense, as not all phones have a front camera, or primary camera.

#### 2.3.2 Inappropriate zero values

- px\_height
- screen\_width

Zero / close to zero values for these attributes can be observed as **values altered for privacy reasons** and should be interpreted as a representation of a relatively low value (but **NOT** taken literally as the stated value).

#### 2.4 $\operatorname{Set}$ cleaned\_data $\operatorname{and}$ discretised\_data

- Declare our cleaned\_data, discretised\_data and cleaned\_metadata;
- Generate "clean" pandas-profiling report;
- Export these to .csv files;

```
"number_of_cores", "primary_cam_resolution", "px_height",
    "px_width", "ram", "screen_height", "screen_width", "talk_time",
    "has_three_g", "has_touch_screen", "has_wifi", "is_expensive"]]

discretised_data = staging_data[[
    "battery_power_category", "has_bluetooth", "clock_speed_category",
    "has_dual_sim", "front_cam_resolution_category", "has_four_g",
    "int_memory_category", "mobile_depth_category", "mobile_weight_category",
    "number_of_cores", "primary_cam_resolution_category", "px_height_category",
    "px_width_category", "ram_category", "screen_height_category",
    "screen_width_category", "talk_time_category", "has_three_g",
    "has_touch_screen", "has_wifi", "is_expensive"]]
```

## 2.4.1 Pandas-Profiling (cleaned\_data and discretised\_data) Reports

See Clean Data Profiling Report, and Discretised Data Profiling Report (in appendix).

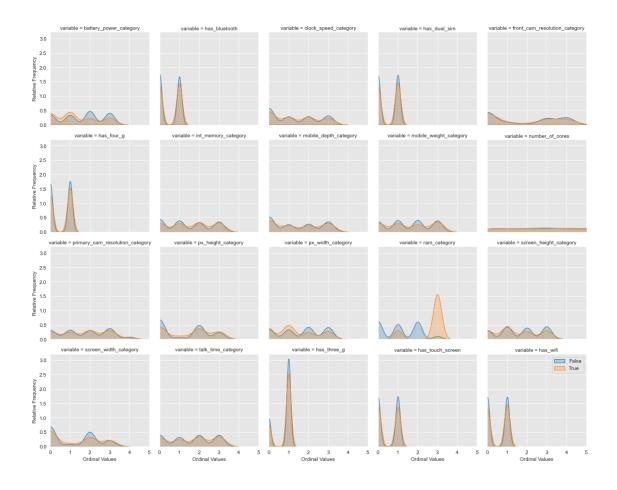
```
[33]: melted_data = pd.melt(discretised_ordered_data, "is_expensive", "

discretised_ordered_data.drop(["is_expensive"],axis="columns"), "

value_name="Ordinal Value",)

g = sns.FacetGrid(melted_data, col="variable", hue="is_expensive", col_wrap=5)
g.map(sns.kdeplot, "Ordinal Value", shade=True)
g.set_axis_labels("Ordinal Values", "Relative Frequency")

plt.xlim(0,5)
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```



This (above) shows the relative frequency graph of the discretised data, in ordinal form, split by the phone-data's is\_expensive field. The variable ram\_category displays a strong variance regarding its seperation with is\_expensive, which following steps will investigate further.

# 3 Association Rule Mining

# 3.1 Information

Association rule mining ('ARM') is a technique used investigate and uncover frequently occurring patterns, correlations, or associations, between the characteristics of a given dataset/s or source. Association rules comprise of two parts:

- antecedent (if)  $\rightarrow$  An antecedent is something that is found in data;
- consequent (then)  $\rightarrow$  A consequent is an item that is found in combination with the antecedent.

### 3.2 ARM Approach

Our approach is to take the characteristics of each of the phone attributes (from our data) with the following strategy:

- keep the (current) cleaned data, especially the boolean values;
- discretise any numeric values;

Before the "apriori" runs, the data should be in a form similar to:

has_bluetooth	has_dual_sim	battery_power_0-100	
True	False	True	True
True	True	False	True
False	True	True	False

For completed pre-processing, see IPython Notebook or ./data/cleaned/ARM\_item\_characteristics.csv

# 3.3 Apriori Algorithm

Apriori (*Apriori Algorithm*) is an algorithm used in frequent-item-set / pattern mining over relational datasets. It seeks to identify frequent, individual items in the data, and then extend them to (incrementally) larger item sets, on the proviso that such item sets appear sufficiently often enough in said data.

## 3.4 Support

The recognition of frequently occurring patterns (in a dataset) must first be tuned by certain analyst-defined parameters. The minimum support acts as an 'entry requirement value' that rules must meet/exceed, for them to be considered 'frequent'. A minimum support value set too low, will not filter out patterns. If it is set too high, this strict program's mining expedition will return no rules, or only extremely dominant attribute-patterns. Example below, where we set MINIMUM\_SUPPORT = 0.1, and then begin to mine the associated rules.

## 3.4.1 Rules by 'Minimum Support'

```
[36]: # This defines what is considered as a minimum item

MINIMUM_SUPPORT = 0.1

frequent_items = □

→apriori(ARM_structured_data,min_support=MINIMUM_SUPPORT,use_colnames=True,□

→verbose=True)

display_markdown(frequent_items.head(5).append(frequent_items.tail(5)))
```

Processing 570 combinations | Sampling itemset size 5 4

```
support itemsets

0  0.495  frozenset({'has_bluetooth'})
1  0.5095  frozenset({'has_dual_sim'})
2  0.5215  frozenset({'has_four_g'})
3  0.7615  frozenset({'has_three_g'})
4  0.503  frozenset({'has_touch_screen'})
712  0.1165  frozenset({'has_three_g', 'has_four_g', 'screen_width_category_(-0.019, 4.5]', 'has_wifi'})
```

	support	titemsets
713	0.1165	frozenset({'has_three_g', 'ram_category_(3062.5, 3998.0]', 'has_four_g', 'is_expensive'})
714	0.1	frozenset({'has_three_g', 'clock_speed_category_(0.497, 1.125]', 'has_four_g', 'screen_width_category_(-0.019, 4.5]'})
715	0.11	frozenset({'has_three_g', 'front_cam_resolution_category_(0.981, 5.5]', 'has_four_g', 'px_height_category_(-1.96099999999999, 490.0]'})
716	0.105	frozenset({'has_three_g', 'screen_width_category_(-0.019, 4.5]', 'has_four_g', 'px_height_category_(-1.96099999999999, 490.0]'})

**Comment:** The (above) table demonstrates the item sets that meet the minimum defined support (0.1).

#### 3.5 Confidence

In ARM, confidence is an indication of how often the rule has been found to be true. The confidence value of a rule,  $\{X \to Y\}$  with respect to a set of  $\mathbf{z}$ 's  $\{Z\}$ , is the proportion of the  $\mathbf{z}$ 's that contains X, which also contains Y.

### 3.5.1 Rules by 'Minimum Confidence'

```
[37]: ARM_COLS_OF_INTEREST = ['antecedents', 'consequents', 'support', 'confidence', □

→'lift']

[38]: MINIMUM_CONFIDENCE_THRESHOLD = 0.20 # this is the minimum confidence threshold □

→ to mine

rules_by_confidence = association_rules(frequent_items, metric="confidence", □

→ min_threshold=MINIMUM_CONFIDENCE_THRESHOLD)

# Get all the rules that has mobile price

rules = rules_by_confidence[rules_by_confidence["consequents"].

→ map(set(['is_expensive']).issubset)].

→ sort_values("confidence", ascending=False)

display_markdown(rules[ARM_COLS_OF_INTEREST].reset_index(drop=True).head(10))
```

	antecedents	consequents suppo	ort confidence lift
0	frozenset({'ram_category_(3062.5,	frozenset({'is_expensive'})116	5 0.856618 3.42647
	3998.0]', 'has_four_g'})		
1	frozenset({'ram_category_(3062.5,	frozenset({'has_three_g'0.116	5 0.856618 4.44996
	3998.0]', 'has_four_g'})	'is_expensive'})	
2	frozenset({'has_three_g',	frozenset({'is_expensive'})116	5 0.856618 3.42647
	'ram_category_(3062.5, 3998.0]',		
	'has_four_g'})		
3	frozenset({'ram_category_(3062.5,	frozenset({'is_expensive'}0.103	3 0.847737 3.39095
	3998.0]', 'has touch screen'})		

	antecedents	consequents	support	confidence lift
4	frozenset({'has_three_g',	frozenset({'is_expensive	·' <b>(</b> 9)1635	0.844961 3.37984
	$'ram\_category\_(3062.5, 3998.0]')$			
5	$frozenset({\rm `ram\_category\_(3062.5},$	frozenset({'is_expensive	'}0.108	0.840467 3.36187
	3998.0]', 'has_wifi'})			
6	$frozenset({\rm `ram\_category\_(3062.5},$	frozenset({'is_expensive	'}0.109	$0.838462\ 3.35385$
	3998.0]', 'has_bluetooth'})			
7	$frozenset({\rm `ram\_category\_(3062.5},$	frozenset({'is_expensive	'}0.209	0.832669 3.33068
	3998.0]'})			
8	frozenset({'ram_category_(3062.5,	frozenset({'is_expensive	?}0.115	$0.824373 \ 3.29749$
	3998.0]', 'has_dual_sim'})			
9	frozenset({'ram_category_(3062.5,	frozenset({'has_three_g	g'0.1635	$0.651394\ 3.38387$
	3998.0]'})	'is_expensive'})		

**Comment:** The (above) table shows a min-confidence threshold of 0.65, for the top k=10 rules , and 0.43 for the top k=16 rules (we have omitted 6, however see association\_rule\_mining/rules\_by\_confidence\_minimum\_threshold\_0.20.csv for details.

### 3.5.2 Explained: top-k Rules

The top-k rules are the number (k) of rules (attribute patterns) that based on the confidence/support parameters, occur with the highest frequency in the dataset.

For example, according to the k=1 rule (sorted by confidence), if the phone has a ram\_category that belongs in the range 3062.5 - 3998.0, and ALSO has 4G (has\_four\_g = True), then there is a probability of 86% that this phone is expensive (is\_expensive = True).

It should also be noted that the top 16 rules (k=16) all have an antecedent that contains ram\_category in the 3062.5 - 3998.0 range.

[39]: display\_markdown(rules[ARM\_COLS\_OF\_INTEREST].reset\_index(drop=True).iloc[17:21])

	antecedents	consequents	support	confidence	e lift
17	frozenset({'front_cam_resolution_ 5.5 '})	$categenset(\{981emressive'\})$	0.116	0.26484	1.05936
18	frozenset({'has_three_g', 'has_four_g'})	$frozenset(\{`is\_expensive'\})$	0.1375	0.263663	1.05465
19	frozenset({'has_four_g'})	<pre>frozenset({'has_three_g',     'is_expensive'})</pre>	0.1375	0.263663	1.36968
20	$frozenset(\{`has\_four\_g'\})$	$frozenset(\{`is\_expensive'\})$	0.1375	0.263663	1.05465

Comment: The (above) table shows the 17th to the 20th rules, when the minimum confidence threshold is set to 0.26. Here, we observe rules that do not reference ram\_category, showing other attributes that can predict is\_expensive.

#### 3.6 Lift

Lift quantifies an association rule's ability to predict cases (as) possessing an improved response (against the population), measured against a random choice targeting model. An association rule is doing well (according to lift) if the response (within the target) exceeds the average for the population as a whole. Simply put, lift assesses the degree to which the occurrence of one (characteristic) "lifts" the occurrence of the other.

```
lift (A, B) = P( A U B ) / P(A) P(B)
( lift < 1 ) → The occurrence of A is negatively correlated with the occurrence of B;
( lift > 1 ) → The occurrence of A is positively correlated with the occurrence of B;
( lift = 1 ) → The occurrence of A is independent of the occurrence of B;
```

# 3.6.1 Rules by 'Lift'

[43]: display\_markdown(rules[ARM\_COLS\_OF\_INTEREST].reset\_index(drop=True).head(10))

	antecedents	consequents	support confidence lift
0	frozenset({'ram_category_(3062.5, 3998.0]', 'has_four_g'})	<pre>frozenset({'has_three_g',     'is_expensive'})</pre>	0.1165 0.856618 4.44996
1	frozenset({'has_three_g', 'ram_category_(3062.5, 3998.0 '})	<pre>frozenset({'has_four_g',     'is_expensive'})</pre>	0.1165 0.602067 4.37867
2	frozenset({'ram_category_(3062.5, 3998.0]'})	frozenset({'is_expensive', 'has_dual_sim'})	0.115 0.458167 3.45787
3	frozenset({'ram_category_(3062.5, 3998.0]', 'has_four_g'})	$frozenset(\{'is\_expensive'\})$	0.1165 0.856618 3.42647
4	frozenset({'has_three_g', 'ram_category_(3062.5, 3998.0]', 'has_four_g'})	$frozenset(\{'is\_expensive'\})$	0.1165 0.856618 3.42647
5	frozenset({'ram_category_(3062.5, 3998.0]', 'has_touch_screen'})	$frozenset(\{`is\_expensive'\})$	0.103 0.847737 3.39095
6	frozenset({'ram_category_(3062.5, 3998.0]'})	<pre>frozenset({'has_three_g',     'is_expensive'})</pre>	0.1635 0.651394 3.38387

	antecedents	consequents	supportconfidencelift
7	frozenset({'has_three_g',	frozenset({'is_expensive'})	0.1635 0.844961 3.37984
	$'ram\_category\_(3062.5, 3998.0]')$		
8	frozenset({'ram_category_(3062.5,	frozenset({'has_three_g',	$0.1165 \ 0.464143 \ 3.37559$
	3998.0]'})	'has_four_g',	
		'is_expensive'})	
9	frozenset({'ram_category_(3062.5,	frozenset({'has_four_g',	0.1165 0.464143 3.37559
	3998.0]'})	$\text{`is}\_\text{expensive'}$	

Comment: The table (above) shows top (k=10)rules. where we ram\_category present antecedents notice is in all (10)(see association\_rule\_mining/rules\_by\_lift\_sorted\_by\_absolute\_value\_of\_translated\_lift.csv for the full list of rules).

We have ordered these rules by absolute\_value\_of\_translated\_lift, in order to better highlight the strongest attribute correlations (whether they be positive, or negative).

- The top k=1 rule states that when a phone has ram\_category in the range 3062.5 3998.0, and also has 4g (has\_four\_g=true), then these attributes are highly positively correlated to the has\_three\_g and is\_expensive attribute pair (lift=4.449).
- It should be noted that the top (k=17) rules all reference ram\_category in the range 3062.5-3998.0.

# [44]: display\_markdown(rules[ARM\_COLS\_OF\_INTEREST].reset\_index(drop=True)[18:21])

	antecedents consequents	support	confidenc	e lift
18	frozenset({'has_fofrozen})t({'has_three_g',	0.1165	0.223394	1.36632
	'ram_category_(3062.5, 3998.0]',			
	'is_expensive'})			
19	frozenset({'has_thfrezensien}({'has_four_g', 'is_expensive'})	0.1375	0.180565	1.3132
20	frozenset({'has_thfrezewset}({'ram_category_(3062.5,	0.1165	0.152988	1.3132
	3998.0]', 'has_four_g', 'is_expensive'})			

**Comment:** The 18th up to the 20th (above) show different attribute with a lift that is positively correlated, but not as strong as the previous the rules.

# 3.7 Association Rule Mining - Recommendation for Designing an Expensive Phone

Based on our results from association rule mining, we can advise a manufacturer (who wishes to design an expensive phone) on the following features...

The most notable attribute in an item-set, that resulted in an expensive phone, contained RAM that fell in the RAM category (range) 3062.5- 3998.0. However, within the same item-set/s as RAM, we noted the following (most frequent) attributes:

#### 1. four G

- 2. touch scren
- 3. three G
- 4. wifi
- 5. bluetooth

...ranked by the strongest defining confidence. This discovery upholds the initial patterns that we observed in the graph of relative frequency of all attributes (in their ordinal form), divided by the is\_expensive field.

### 4 Classification

Classification is the supervised-learning process of determining and assigning classes to data rows. This process can identify the class of an unknown row, based upon data row/s that a model has been trained upon.

Classification in CITS 3401 - Project 2 will be done with cross validation of ten folds, using differing partitions of our dataset for testing and training, to avoid overfitting our model. Furthermore, the training will be done with a RANDOM\_STATE seeding, for the express purpose of mitigating the uncontrollable inconsistency of algorithm that uses randomisation.

The classification will be done with both Decision Tree ('DT') and Support Vector Machine ('SVM'), with hyperparameter optimisation. The metric will be accuracy, as the attribute is\_expensive is weighted equally (between the possible True or False values).

We will be using the cleaned\_data dataset (not the wholly discretised dataset that was used in the Association Rule Mining), as SVM works well in seperating continuous attributes, whilst DT can take either continuous ('Regression Tree') or discrete ('Classification Tree') data.

```
[45]: # Seperation of data into features and target
learning_data = cleaned_data.drop("id",axis="columns")
target_data = learning_data["is_expensive"]
feature_data = learning_data.drop("is_expensive",axis="columns")
```

#### 4.1 Decision Tree

A decision tree is an algorithm that separates the data using different thresholds, within different attributes. There are two main criterium for choosing an attribute and a threshold:

- Gini Index -> Information Gain calculates effective change in entropy after making a decision based on the value of an attribute.
- Information Gain (entropy) -> The gini index, calculates the amount of probability of a specific feature that is classified incorrectly when selected randomly.

We will now configure and test the aforementioned classifiers...

```
[49]: show_top_results(dt_pipeline_1_search)
```

	rank_test_scoremean	_test_sco	orparams
26	1	0.9475	{'dt_classifiercriterion': 'entropy',
			$'dt\_classifier\_\_max\_depth': 6$
28	2	0.9435	{'dt_classifiercriterion': 'entropy',
			'dt_classifiermax_depth': 8}
29	3	0.9415	{'dt_classifiercriterion': 'entropy',
			'dt_classifiermax_depth': 9}
27	4	0.9405	{'dt_classifiercriterion': 'entropy',
			$'dt\_classifier\_\_max\_depth': 7$
20	5	0.94	{'dt_classifiercriterion': 'entropy',
			'dt_classifiermax_depth': None}

**Comment:** The (above) table shows the top 5 hyper-parameters of the decision tree, and the mean test scores of all CV folds. The best mean test score (0.9475) has Information Gain as a criterium, and a decision\_tree\_max\_depth = 6. We see **no** test in the listed top 5 containing gini-index criterium.

#### 4.1.1 Decision Tree Visualization

```
[51]: viz = dtreeviz(dt_pipeline_1_search.best_estimator_[0], feature_data,

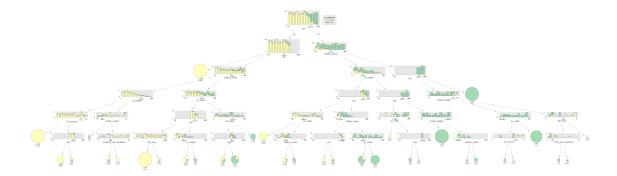
target_name="is_expensive",

feature_names=feature_data.columns,

class_names=list(target_data.unique()))

viz.save("decision_tree.svg");

#viz
```



**Comment:** The (above) diagram shows the decision tree visualisation. (See submission folder diagrams/decision\_tree.png)

# 4.2 Support Vector Machine

The 'SVM' algorithm finds the best hyperplane in the multi-atribute dimension, to separate data into multiple, relevant classes. The parameter/s available in SVM are:

• Seperation Degree of the Hyperplane (also known as Kernel);

```
[54]: show_top_results(svm_pipeline_2_search)
```

0       1       0.9895 {'svm_classifierker         1       2       0.9825 {'svm_classifierker         2       0.9785 {'svm_classifierker	
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	0
2 0.0795 Carres alogaifon lear	1
$2$ $0.9785$ {'svm_classifier_ker	2
$3$ $0.53$ {'svm_classifier_ker	3

**Comment:** The (above) table displays the top 5 hyperparameters, of the SVM. We observe the best mean test score of (0.9895) attributable to the kernel = linear hyperplane.

## 4.3 Comparison DT vs SVM

Our tests conclude that SVM yields results with higher accuracies, than DT. Though both (methods) are exposed to the same data, and their most valuable hyperparameters are optimized, we must acknowledge that SVM is a more appropriate algorithm for this dataset, and experiment.

# 5 Clustering

Clustering is the unsupervised-learning process of assigning data to a group, or 'cluster'. Clustering identifies similarities between objects, which it groups according to these characteristics in common, and which differentiate them from other groups of data. The clustering process is very similar to the classification process, aside from the classes not being known / labelled (in clustering).

### 5.1 Cluster of Size 2

The clustering method will begin with CLUSTER\_SIZE = 2, enabling us to compare the two distinct values of is\_expensive, and the relevant clusters. This **DOES NOT** mean that the CLUSTER\_SIZE set at 2, is the optimal cluster number.

Example: There may be a phone that sits in between is\_expensive=True and is\_expensive=False (a medium priced phone) that a cluster size n=2 would not be able to properly represent.

#### 5.2 Kmeans

K-means clustering aims to partition observations (data rows) into k clusters, in which each observation belongs to the cluster with the nearest cluster-mean / cluster-centroid.

## Confusion Table

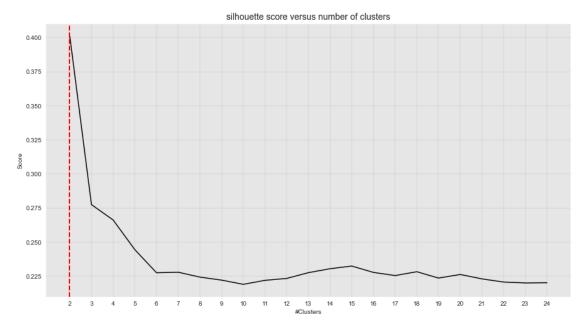
```
[57]: kmeans_model = KMeans(n_clusters=2, random_state=RANDOM_STATE)
kmeans_model.fit(feature_data)
kmeans_prediction = kmeans_model.labels_
```

[59]: print\_confusion\_table(crosstab, accuracy)

Comment: The confusion table (above) shows a 73.85% accuracy when matched with the labelled groups, wherein the other 26.15% inaccuracy can be explained by kmeans predicting a phone is\_expensive when it is in fact not (false positive), and 0% for false negative.

### 5.3 Validation of Two Cluster Size

In the previous heading, it is assumed that the cluster of size 2 is expected. This is an extra exploratory step to validate whether a cluster of size 2 is the best way to split the data.



#### 5.3.1 Silhouette Score

Silhouette score refers to a method of interpretation and validation of consistency within clusters of data. The higher the score, the better the overall cluster measure, such as within-variability and

between-variability of the clusters. According to the chart (above) a CLUSTER\_SIZE = 2 is most appropriate.

### 6 Data Reduction

More data is not always the solution. When working with 'big data' we must consider the issues around redundancy, outliers, and storage. Data reduction (as the name suggests) actively encourages the reduction of data, where possible, through the elimination of data-rows (numerosity), and data-columns (features). This reduction must be weighed in against the overall quality/information that would be forfeited.

## 6.1 Reasons for Reducing Data

- Increases storage capacity
- Easy and efficient Mining, reduces time and memory requirement
- Easy visualisation
- Help to eliminate irrelevant /redundant features
- Reduces noise

# 6.2 Numerosity Reduction

Numerosity reduction involves the replacement of voluminous data, with an alternate, smaller form of data representation. This exchange can be achieved via parametric and non-parametric methods.

- Parametric Numerosity Reduction -> These techniques include linear regression and log linear models, to which the model's parameters can be stored, instead of the FULL data representation.
- Non-Parametric Numerosity Reduction -> Sampling, histograms, clustering, data cube aggregation.

# 6.2.1 Numerosity Reduction - Sampling with Decision Tree

```
[62]: sampled_learning_data = learning_data.sample(frac=0.5,random_state=RANDOM_STATE) sampled_target_data = sampled_learning_data["is_expensive"] sampled_feature_data = sampled_learning_data.drop("is_expensive",axis="columns")
```

```
[]: dt_pipeline_1_search = GridSearchCV(dt_pipeline_1, param_grid, n_jobs=-1, u → cv=CROSS_VALIDATION_PARTITION)
dt_pipeline_1_search.fit(sampled_feature_data, sampled_target_data)
```

```
[64]: # Results in Tabular format show_top_results(dt_pipeline_1_search)
```

```
      rank_test_score mean_test_scoreparams

      0
      1
      0.928 {'dt_classifier__criterion': 'gini', 'dt_classifier__max_depth': None}

      10
      1
      0.928 {'dt_classifier_criterion': 'gini', 'dt_classifier_max_depth': 10}
```

	rank_test_score mean_	_testscor	reparams	
19	1	0.928	{'dt_classifiercriterion': 'gini',	
			'dt_classifiermax_depth': 19}	
18	1	0.928	{'dt_classifiercriterion': 'gini',	
			'dt_classifiermax_depth': 18}	
17	1	0.928	{'dt_classifiercriterion': 'gini',	
			'dt_classifiermax_depth': 17 $}$	

Comment: Though we see (above) a drop in mean\_test\_score by 1.2% (which is not surprising), the amount of data needed for testing and training has been cut by 50%.

#### 6.2.2 Numerosity Reduction - Sampling with Support Vector Machine

	rank_test_score	mean_test_score	params
0	1	0.982	{'svm_classifierkernel': 'linear'}
1	2	0.977	{'svm_classifierkernel': 'poly'}
2	3	0.974	${'svm\_classifier\_\_kernel': 'rbf'}$
3	4	0.548	$ \{ \text{'svm\_classifier\_\_kernel': 'sigmoid'} \} $

Comment: (Above) Similar to the results from the numerosity reduction with the Decision Tree, we have observed an insignificant drop in accuracy from the default SVM model (accuracy of 98.95%) to the numerosity reduced SVM model (accuracy 98.2%).

### 6.3 Attribute Reduction & Attribute Selection

Attribute reduction focuses on (no surprise) the reduction of the data's columns/attributes. Data in a high-dimensional space will be transformed (by attribute reduction methods) into a low-dimensional space, so that this new, low-dimensional representation may retain appropriate amounts of meaningful properties (from the original data), whilst **also** heavily reducing the

computational-power-requirements (storage, navigation, transformation etc).

It achieves this mainly through discovering the attributes that possess the lowest 'predictive value', i.e. they contribute little to the domain specific question or are insignificant in aiding attributes that *are* contributing.

# 6.3.1 Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

Variance -> In the field of statistics, variance is one of the most important measures, as it examines how the data varies within (internally) and inbetween (interactively) attributes.

PCA summarises the attributes of the model through linear combinations expressed as 'principal components' ('PC') that maximises the variance. The variance contribution of the principal components (to the data) are ordered such that the first principal component is the 'most valuable' or 'highest contributory' attribute. Furthermore, one of the requirements of PCA is that the data is scaled, as the linear combination is sensitive to (attribute value) ranges (values with large magnitude value ranges will dominate the other PCs).

It should be noted that although PCA does a good job of multidimensional to low-dimensional data summarisation, it makes it *very* difficult to determine which domain specific attribute/s is the one/s contributing to the model.

```
[68]: model = pca(n_components=0.95) # explains 95% of variance
scaled_data = StandardScaler().fit_transform(feature_data)
results = model.fit_transform(scaled_data)
model.plot()
```

[pca] >Column labels are auto-completed.

[pca] >Row labels are auto-completed.

[pca] >The PCA reduction is performed to capture [95.0%] explained variance

using the [20] columns of the input data.

[pca] >Fitting using PCA..

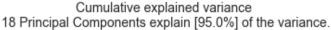
[pca] >Computing loadings and PCs..

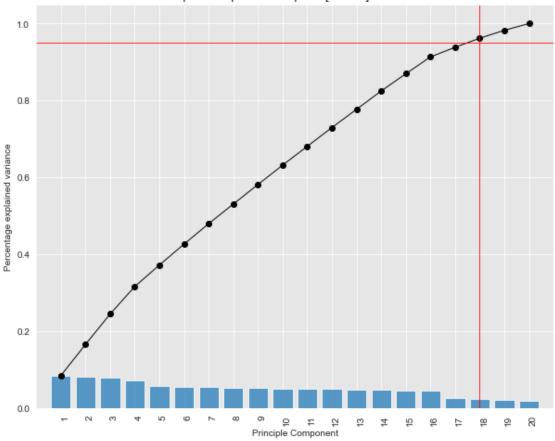
[pca] >Computing explained variance..

[pca] >Number of components is [18] that covers the [95.00%] explained variance.

[pca] >Outlier detection using Hotelling T2 test with alpha=[0.05] and n components=[5]

[pca] >Outlier detection using SPE/DmodX with n\_std=[2]





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**Comment:** According to the total contributions, to be able to explain 95% of the data's variance, there is a requirement to retain 18 principal components. It should be noted that this is most unusual for PCA, with most PCA's having 95% of the (data's) variance explained by only a tiny subset of the data's total dimensions.

### 6.3.2 Attribute Reduction - Decision Tree with PCA

# [71]: show\_top\_results(dt\_pipeline\_3\_search)

ra	ank_test_scorre	ean_test_s	scparams
568	1	0.8395	{'dt_classifiercriterion': 'entropy',
			'dt_classifiermax_depth': 9, 'pcan_components': 18}
682	2	0.8385	{'dt_classifiercriterion': 'entropy',
			'dt_classifiermax_depth': 15, 'pcan_components':
			18}
567	3	0.8385	{'dt_classifiercriterion': 'entropy',
			'dt_classifiermax_depth': 9, 'pcan_components': 17}
566	3	0.8385	{'dt_classifiercriterion': 'entropy',
			'dt_classifiermax_depth': 9, 'pcan_components': 16}
663	5	0.838	{'dt_classifiercriterion': 'entropy',
			'dt_classifiermax_depth': 14, 'pcan_components':
			18}

Comment: The results from our Decision Tree attribute reduction with PCA demonstrated a significant decrease in accuracy (from un-reduced accuracy of 94.75%, to 83.95%. These results come as no surprise, as per results earlier, there is an unusual contribution to total variance of PCA. We should also consider the possibility that the summarisation of attributes to principal components increased the impact that outliers exerted upon the (outlier sensitive) decision tree model.

# 6.3.3 Attribute Reduction - Support Vector Machine with PCA

```
'svm_classifier__kernel': ['linear', 'poly', 'rbf', 'sigmoid',

→'precomputed']
}

[]: svm_pipeline_3_search = GridSearchCV(svm_pipeline_3, param_grid, n_jobs=-1,

→cv=CROSS_VALIDATION_PARTITION)
svm_pipeline_3_search.fit(feature_data,target_data)
```

[75]: show\_top\_results(svm\_pipeline\_3\_search)

	rank_test_score	mean_test_score	params
85	1	0.991	{'pcan_components': 18, 'svm_classifierkernel': 'linear'}
80	1	0.991	{'pcan_components': 17, 'svm_classifierkernel': 'linear'}
90	3	0.9895	{'pcan_components': 19, 'svm_classifierkernel': 'linear'}
75	4	0.984	{'pcan_components': 16, 'svm_classifierkernel': 'linear'}
88	5	0.9785	{'pcan_components': 18, 'svm_classifierkernel': 'sigmoid'}

Comment: The results (above) show the minimal improvement in accuracy, when the SVM model undertook the attribute reduction process. SVM is more robust to noise and outliers (than Decision Trees), and so it may be possible that contrary to above, it increased the impact of the "good quality" data, rather than the outlier data.

Prior to reduction, we observed an accuracy of 98.95%, which then increased to 99.1%.

# 6.4 Select K-Best with Information Gain (Entropy) and ANOVA F-statistic

There are multiple ways to select the best attribute/s of a dataset, mainly through the removal of redundant (highly-corellated) or irrelevant features. The common methods include 'F-statistic', and 'Information Gain'. F-statistic iteratively picks the attribute that *maximises* the varaiance (rather than a combination of attributes, seen in PCA).

**Information gain** measures the entropy-information available in a probability distribution. E.g.:

- Skewed Probability Distribution (unsurprising) -> Low entropy.
- Balanced Probability Distribution (surprising) -> High entropy.

#### 6.4.1 Attribute Reduction - Decision Tree with Select K-Best

```
'dt_classifier__criterion': ["entropy"], # - Entropy is better than GINI_

→ from previous results

'dt_classifier__max_depth': [None] + list(range(1,len(feature_data.

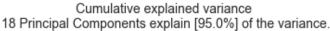
→columns)))
}
```

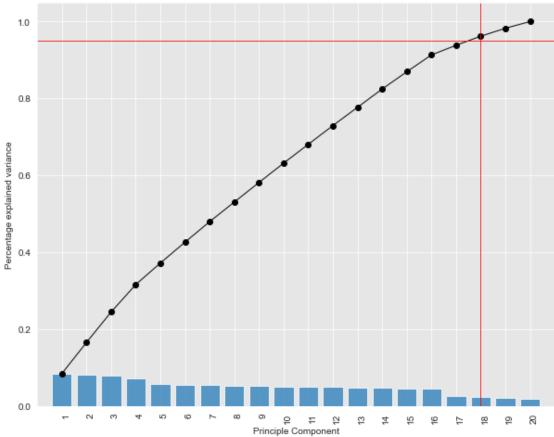
[79]: show\_top\_results(dt\_pipeline\_4\_search)

r	rank_test_necone_testpascons			
332	1	0.9515	{'dt_classifiercriterion': 'entropy', 'dt_classifiermax_depth': 8, 'select_kbestk': 15, 'select_kbestscore_func': <function 0x00000207300f1af0="" at="" f_classif="">}</function>	
250	2	0.9515	{'dt_classifiercriterion': 'entropy', 'dt_classifiermax_depth': 6, 'select_kbestk': 12, 'select_kbestscore_func': <function 0x00000207300f1af0="" at="" classif="" f="">}</function>	
260	2	0.9515	{'dt_classifiercriterion': 'entropy', 'dt_classifiermax_depth': 6, 'select_kbestk': 17, 'select_kbestscore_func': <function 0x00000207300f1af0="" at="" classif="" f="">}</function>	
256	2	0.9515	{'dt_classifiercriterion': 'entropy', 'dt_classifiermax_depth': 6, 'select_kbestk': 15, 'select_kbestscore_func': <function 0x00000207300f1af0="" at="" f_classif="">}</function>	
248	5	0.951	{'dt_classifiercriterion': 'entropy', 'dt_classifiermax_depth': 6, 'select_kbestk': 11, 'select_kbestscore_func': <function 0x00000207300f1af0="" at="" f_classif="">}</function>	

### 6.4.2 Attribute Selection with F-Statistic prior to Decision Tree

Number of Attributes: 15





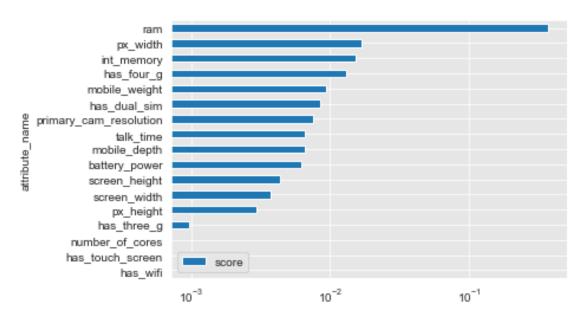
Comments: The table and graph (above) display the small improvement in the accuracy percentge, when the Decision Tree model experienced the 'select k-best' attribute reduction (an increase from 94.75% to 95.15%).

We see the reduction method has left us with 15 attributes, in comparison to the 18 attributes in PCA.

In this scenario, it appears that F-statistic is 'better' than information gain, with regard to the transformation. Note however, that information gain is later used for the decision tree classifier.

## 6.4.3 Attribute Selection - With Information Gain, Prior to Decision Tree

#### Number of Attributes: 17



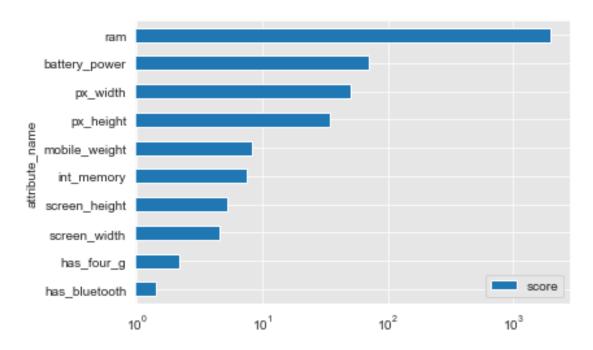
Comment: The analysis above shows that F-statistic proved to be the method that makes the accuracy of the model higher (94.90%). This is an improvement, but not as 'good' as the improvement experienced with F-statistic. However, for exploratory, examining the attributes there are differences in the attributes prioritised by information gain and F-statistic.

### 6.4.4 Attribute Reduction - Support Vector Machine with Select K-Best

```
[87]: show_top_results(svm_pipeline_4_search)
```

	rank_test_	_snowen_test_	
0	1	0.9915	{'select_kbestk': 10, 'select_kbestscore_func': <function< th=""></function<>
			f_classif at $0x00000207300F1AF0>$ , 'svm_classifierkernel': 'linear'}
4	1	0.9915	{'select_kbestk': 11, 'select_kbestscore_func': <function< td=""></function<>
			f_classif at 0x00000207300F1AF0>, 'svm_classifierkernel': 'linear'}
12	3	0.991	{'select_kbestk': 13, 'select_kbestscore_func': <function< td=""></function<>
			f_classif at 0x00000207300F1AF0>, 'svm_classifierkernel': 'linear'}
8	4	0.9905	{'select_kbestk': 12, 'select_kbestscore_func': <function< td=""></function<>
			f_classif at 0x00000207300F1AF0>, 'svm_classifierkernel': 'linear'}
16	4	0.9905	( ** * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *
			f_classif at 0x00000207300F1AF0>, 'svm_classifierkernel':
			'linear'}

Number of Attributes: 10



Comment: The output (above) indicates a minor accuracy improvement, from 98.95% to 99.1%. Note that this increase is 0.04% better than the observed accuracy for SVM, with PCA.

We also observe that the suggested best number of attributes (for SVM) from F-statistic is 10, a notably smaller value than the suggested 'best number' of attributes from F-statistic for Decision Tree (15).

#### 6.5 Data Reduction - Conclusion

As seen in our experiments above (with our chosen measure of classifier-accuracy as accuracy), numerosity reduction **heavily** decreases the required data, in exchange for a small decrease in overall model accuracy. Attribute reduction via transformation (such as PCA) is seen in varying instances to both increase / decrease the model accuracy, while attribute reduction (by selection) demonstrated an overall net increase in accuracy . Furthermore, with attribute reduction, we also observed a decrease in required model-training time.

#### 6.6 Attribute Selection - Manual Selection

With user-side specific domain knowledge (regarding expensive phones), we manually selected the following attributes. Note that the accuracy of this "model" is heavily dependent on the depth of the user's domain specific knowledge. In most real-world data science projects, manual attribute selection (performed by subject matter experts), mitigates the possibility of over-fitting, that arises with pure criterium-based attribute selection.

For example, in electrical-engineering problems (where the voltage attribute is crucial) the data may suggest that voltage could/should be eliminated (for the purpose of increasing accuracy). If relied upon, the resultant model has the 'best' accuracy, but it may inappropriate and/or unusable in the real world.

```
[90]: # Based on domain-specific knowledge and the exploratory plots
MANUALLY_SELECTED_ATTRIBUTES = [
    "ram",
    "has_four_g",
    "mobile_depth",
    "screen_width",
    "screen_height",
    "primary_cam_resolution",
    "number_of_cores",
    "int_memory",
    "px_width",
    "px_height"]

feature_data_manually_selected = learning_data.
    →drop("is_expensive",axis="columns")[MANUALLY_SELECTED_ATTRIBUTES]
```

# 6.7 Decision Tree with Manually Selected Attribute

# [93]: show\_top\_results(dt\_pipeline\_1\_search)

	rank_test_score mean_test_scoreparams				
4	1	0.9235	{'dt_classifiercriterion': 'gini',		
			${\it `dt\_classifier\_\_max\_depth': 4}$		
2	2	0.9215	{'dt_classifiercriterion': 'gini',		
			${\it `dt\_classifier\_\_max\_depth': 2}$		
1	2	0.9215	{'dt_classifiercriterion': 'gini',		
			'dt_classifiermax_depth': 1}		
3	4	0.9205	{'dt_classifiercriterion': 'gini',		
			'dt_classifiermax_depth': 3}		
25	5	0.9175	{'dt_classifiercriterion': 'entropy',		
			'dt_classifiermax_depth': 5}		

Comment: When the Decision Tree was reduced with our manually-selected-attribute model, we note a relatively large drop in accuracy from 94.75% to 92.35% (2.4%).

# 6.8 SVM with Manually Selected Attributes

[97]: show top results(svm pipeline 2 search)

	rank_test_score	mean_test_score	params
$\overline{2}$	1	0.9295	{'svm_classifierkernel': 'rbf'}
0	2	0.9265	{'svm_classifierkernel': 'linear'}
1	2	0.9265	{'svm_classifierkernel': 'poly'}
3	4	0.519	$ \{ \text{'svm\_classifier\_\_kernel': 'sigmoid'} \} $

Comment: When the SVM was reduced with our manually-selected-attribute model, we observe a notably large drop in accuracy from 98.95% to 92.95%. This decrease in accuracy with SVM (6.0%) is much larger than the decrease experienced by Decision Tree.

#### 6.9 Attribute Selection - Conclusion

Through our experiments, F-statistic attribute selection demonstrated the best overall accuracy for both SVM and Decision Tree, as defined by the hyperparameter grid search.

Our results would indicate that Information Gain ranks second in accuracy, increasing both SVM and DT's accuracy. This can be contrasted with manual attribute selection, which showed poor results, with decreases in the accuracy of **both** of our classifiers.

# 7 Appendix

#### Raw Data Profiling Report

### Clean Data Profiling Report

### Discretised Data Profiling Report