

## CS365 Lab C Report

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#### I. Design

1. Read the data files and store examples
  - First, import pandas, math package
  - Create a function called `read_file` that takes in a file name as input, and returns a data frame, a few lines of which look like this if we consider the `tennis.txt` file:

|   | outlook  | temperature | humidity | wind   | playtennis |
|---|----------|-------------|----------|--------|------------|
| 0 | sunny    | hot         | high     | weak   | no         |
| 1 | sunny    | hot         | high     | strong | no         |
| 2 | overcast | hot         | high     | weak   | yes        |
| 3 | rain     | mild        | high     | weak   | yes        |
| 4 | rain     | cool        | normal   | weak   | yes        |

2. Calculate information gain for each attribute:
  - Create a function called `entropy` that takes a set of examples and calculates the entropy for the whole set.

+ Equation: Let  $P(V = v_k) = \frac{\text{\# of observations for a certain value}}{\text{total \# of observations}}$ ,  $V$  is a random Boolean variable with values  $v_k$ . Since a Boolean random variable only has a positive or negative value, the entropy for that variable is as follows:

$$B(q) = -[P(q) \log_2 P(q) + (1 - q) \log_2 (1 - q)]$$

in which  $q$  to be the possibility of positive examples over all examples =  $\frac{p}{p+n}$ ,  $p$  is the number of positive examples,  $n$  is number of negative examples. The entropy of the goal attribute of whole set is:

$$H(\text{Goal}) = -\left[\frac{p}{p+n} \log_2 \frac{p}{p+n} + \frac{n}{p+n} \log_2 \frac{n}{p+n}\right] = B\left(\frac{p}{p+n}\right)$$

- Create a function called `importance` that takes a set of examples and an attribute and calculates the information gain from splitting on that attribute
- + For a single attribute  $A$  with  $d$  distinct values, if we split on that attribute, we would split the whole set into  $d$  subsets with a distinct value on attribute  $A$ , with  $p_k$  and  $n_k$  being the number of positive and negative examples in the  $k^{\text{th}}$  subset. We can calculate the expected entropy remaining after testing  $A$  as follows:

$$\text{Remainder}(A) = \sum_{k=1}^d \frac{p_k + n_k}{p + n} B\left(\frac{p_k}{p_k + n_k}\right)$$

in which  $B(\frac{p_k}{p_k+n_k})$  is the entropy of Boolean variable over a single subset with a distinct value of attribute A, while  $\frac{p_k+n_k}{p+n}$  is possibility of randomly choosing an example of training set that belongs to  $k^{\text{th}}$  subset.

- Create a function called importance that takes a set of examples and an attribute A and calculates the information gain from splitting on that attribute:

+ Information gain =  $H(\text{Goal}) - \text{Remainder}(A)$

### 3. Storing our tree:

- Leaf node has the following attribute:

+ classification: string, initialized to be None

(e.g. 'yes', 'no')

- Tree node would have the following characteristics:

+ attribute: string

(e.g. humidity)

+ label: string, initialized to be None, format: <attribute = value>

(e.g. 'outlook = sunny')

+ subtree: leaf object, initialized to be None

### 4. Build the tree recursively using Decision-Tree-Learning Algorithm:

- Create a function called plurality\_value, that takes in examples as input and return the most common classification of the examples. If a tie happens, return 'no'.
- Create a function build\_tree that takes in set of examples, attributes, parent examples as inputs and return a tree and print the tree into a text file. The algorithm is based on the Decision-Tree-Learning Algorithm in the textbook, p. 702.
- Note: The tree implementation has some problems, so there is some problem with accessing components of the tree, like if I call tree.label it only gives me the last label of the tree. I print the tree into a text file and use that file for any classification that happens later on.

### 5. Display the tree:

- Create a function called display\_tree which takes a filename as input and return the visual representation of the decision tree in a text file and number of nodes in the tree.

### 6. Training set accuracy:

- Create a function called training that takes the set of examples and the index of one example as inputs.

- + Build a tree from the set of all examples and , then use the decision tree to predict the classification for each example.
- + Return True if the prediction matches with the real classification, False otherwise.
- Create a function called training\_set\_accuracy that takes a filename as input, return the training set accuracy percentage.
- + Run for n times,  $n = \text{total number of examples}$ ,  $\text{accuracy} = \text{number of True's}/n$

#### 7. Accuracy testing:

- Create a function called leave\_one\_out\_cross\_validation that takes the set of examples and the index of one example as inputs
- + Build a tree from the set of all examples except for the one example with the index above, then use the decision tree to predict the classification for the one example that was left out.
- + If an example only appears uniquely once in the set, predict it as 'no'
- + Return True if the prediction matches with the real classification, False otherwise.
- Create a function called accuracy\_testing that takes a filename as input, return the accuracy percentage of cross-validation.
- + Run for n times,  $n = \text{total number of examples}$ ,  $\text{accuracy} = \text{number of True's}/n$

## II. Results

|                             | tennis | pets  | titanic2 |
|-----------------------------|--------|-------|----------|
| number of nodes in the tree | 12     | 15    | 14       |
| training set accuracy       | 100%   | 73.3% | 77.8%    |
| testing set accuracy        | 92.9%  | 46.6% | 77.8%    |

A screenshot of running training set accuracy for titanic2.txt

```
True
True
True
True
True
True
True
True
True
True
True
True
True
True
True
True
True
True
True
True
True
False
False
False
Accuracy: 77.82825988187187
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Decision trees for:

| tennis.txt   | titanic2.txt  | pets.txt  |
|--|---|---|
| outlook = sunny<br>     <br>humidity = high<br>     <br>no<br>Back to humidity:<br>.....<br>humidity = normal<br>     <br>yes<br>Back to humidity:<br>.....<br>Back to outlook:<br>.....<br>outlook = overcast<br>     <br>yes<br>Back to outlook:<br>.....<br>outlook = rain<br>     <br>wind = weak<br>     <br>yes<br>Back to wind:<br>.....<br>wind = strong<br>     <br>no<br>Back to wind:<br>.....<br>Back to outlook:<br>..... | sex = male<br>     <br>pclass = 1st<br>     <br>age = adult<br>     <br>no<br>Back to age:<br>.....<br>age = child<br>     <br>yes<br>Back to age:<br>.....<br>Back to pclass:<br>.....<br>pclass = 2nd<br>     <br>no<br>Back to pclass:<br>.....<br>pclass = 3rd<br>     <br>no<br>Back to pclass:<br>.....<br>pclass = crew<br>     <br>no<br>Back to pclass:<br>.....<br>Back to sex:<br>.....<br>sex = female<br>     <br>yes<br>Back to sex:<br>..... | size = tiny<br>     <br>color = white<br>     <br>tail = yes<br>     <br>earshape = pointed<br>     <br>no<br>Back to earshape:<br>.....<br>Back to tail:<br>.....<br>Back to color:<br>.....<br>color = brown<br>     <br>no<br>Back to color:<br>.....<br>Back to size:<br>.....<br>size = small<br>     <br>yes<br>Back to size:<br>.....<br>size = medium<br>     <br>no<br>Back to size:<br>.....<br>size = large<br>     <br>no<br>Back to size:<br>.....<br>size = enormous<br>     <br>no<br>Back to size:<br>..... |