

# Introduction to Decesion trees

Notes of class

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#### 0.1 Decision trees

Powerful algorithm, based in measures of homogenity in this notes we discuss and construct over the concept of gain information and entropy.

Data: Empty tree;

while features to split do

Select the variable to split data;

repeat the before steps again until reach a stopping criteria;

end

#### 0.2 Entropy

Derived from Information theory, we can measure the homogeneity of a set, E=1 at maximum disorder, and E=0 when.

We also, can take in mind that the construction is recursive implementation.

Write pseudocode.

while stopping criteria is false:
 select the better variable:
 update data:

select the better variable

# 1 Overfitting

Hint: A big gap in validation error with training error are a strong signal about over fitting.

We can select the better depth  $\min E_{validation} - E_{training}$  select

The are some ways of avoid overfiting, however note that this is not a solution to the generalization.

The depth of three reduce training error, therefore decision boundaries are more complex.

#### 1.1 Early stopping

Before of construct he tree: limit the depth of tree: We can uses cross validation:

# 1.2 Prunning

If we select a tree based in R(T) that is resubstitution rate is the rate of responses predicted well with training dataset.

select  $\alpha$  we need uses cross validation to select the parameter

#### 1.3 Feature importance

How we can establish, what is the degree of importance of the variables?

hint: if you have two tress that have the same validation error pick always the simplest model.

#### Algorithm 1: Cross validation

```
Result: Write here the result initialization;
while While condition do
instructions;
if condition then
instructions1;
instructions2;
else
instructions3;
end
end
```

#### Algorithm 2: Cross validation

```
\begin{array}{l} \textbf{for} \ i \leftarrow 2 \ \textbf{to} \ l \ \textbf{do} \\ \mid \ \text{test data} \ i \\ \textbf{end} \end{array}
```

## Algorithm 3: Simple algorithm

## 1.4 K fold cross validation

K means samples of K size, therefore we could have  $\frac{N}{k}$ , where N is the total amount of instances or observations.  $MSE = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^{k} Accuracy_i$ .

with cross validation we search optimize the parameter max\_depth in librarie sickit-learn.

#### Algorithm 4: K fold: Cross validation algorithm

```
Data: N observations

Split the data in k groups;

for i in k do

Test the model in i and train in the rest data;

Measure the accuracy in each iteration;

end
```

Note that could split the data.

#### 1.5 sklearn KFold



```
import numpy as np
e = np.array(('a','b','c','d','e','o','p'))
Kfold = KFold(n_splits=3)
for itrain, itest in Kfold.split(e):
    print('train index', itrain)
    print('test index', itest)
    print('--')
# This return the indices we can attach to the index the X and the Y
    X.iloc[itrain]
    X.iloc[itest]

from sklearn import DecisionTreeClassifier
model = DecisionTreeClassifier(
    criterion='entropy' # by default is gini.
max_depth=None #by default.
)
model.fit(X,y)
```

## 1.6 Methods

predict(X) # Return the predicted class
predict\_proba(X) # Return classes probabilities
score(X,y) where y is the true labels.

# 2 Prunning

# 2.1 Post pruning

## 2.1.1 Reduce error pruning

let the tree growth and after chop off, reduce error pruning.

## 2.2 Cost complexity pruning

# 2.3 Weakest link pruning

## 3 AUC in decision tree

D(n) number of leafs.

Total cost = Measure of fit + Measure of complexity = classification error + number of leaf

## 4 Search

Greedy algorithms suffer of horizon effect.

# 4.1 Assess the precision

# 5 Preprocessing DATA

```
sklearn.preprocessing.OrdinalEncoder # to encode X sklearn.preprocessing.LabelEcoder() # to label y
```

# 6 Pruning Uppen

A node t and  $t_L$  and  $t_R$  left and right child nodes respectively. T represent all nodes,  $\tilde{T}$  all leafs. a split is denoted by s the set of all splits S.

# 7 Impurity function

|a| means the number or 'cardinal' elements that belong to the set a. (We can write with a indicator function).

# 8 HyperParamter

#### 8.1 Gridsearch

#### 8.2 Example one

```
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from sklearn import datasets
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score
df =datasets.load_iris(as_frame=True)
df = df['frame']
X = df.iloc[:,:-1]
y = df.iloc[:,[-1]]
y = y.astype('int')
clf = DecisionTreeClassifier()
fitM = clf.fit(X,y)
clf.score(X,y)
scores =[]
from sklearn.model_selection import KFold
kfolds = KFold(n_splits=5, shuffle=True)
for itrain, itest in kfolds.split(X):
   Xtrain, Xtest = X.iloc[itrain], X.iloc[itest]
   ytrain, ytest = y.iloc[itrain], y.iloc[itest]
   model = clf.fit(Xtrain,ytrain)
   score = accuracy_score(ytest,model.predict(Xtest))
   scores.append(score)
mean = np.mean(scores)
```

#### 9 Confusion Matrix

## 9.1 Sensitivity and specificity

#### 9.2 Multinomial distribution

Before we need specify the multinomial coefficient that is,  $\binom{N}{n_1...n_k}$  where  $n_1+..+n_k=N$ , note also that  $\binom{N}{n_1...n_k}=\frac{N!}{n_1!n_2!...n_k!}$ . Thus we need select  $n_1$  objects from N, select  $n_2$  from  $N-n_1$ , select  $n_3$  from  $(N-n_1-n_2)$  and thus in the k selection then we have  $n_k$  from  $(N-n_1-n_2-n_3-...-n_{k-1})$ .

# 10 Minimal cost complexity

Prunning based in minimal cost complexity and weakest link. The problem reduced to minimize the following expression:

$$C_{\alpha}(T) = R(T) + \alpha |T| \tag{1}$$

where R(T) is miss classification rate in training data and |T| is the number of leaves in the tree. Note that if  $\alpha = 0$  then the tree assign to each node a observation. Then we need find the optimize value of  $\alpha$ .

Recursively you can uses minimal cost beginning with the last leaves and ascending evaluating (1).

Remember that is a trade off between complexity and accuracy.

for each  $\alpha$  we need find the  $T_{\alpha} \subset T_0$  that minimize the expression of cost complexity. the value of alpha

for  $\alpha$  to N do

find  $T \subset T_0$  that min  $C_{\alpha}(T)$ ;

Split data in k folds

for k in do

| make;

$$\underset{x \in R}{\arg\max} f(x) \tag{2}$$

in python or sklearn this effective alpha: https://www.programmersought.com/article/16766848143/ to select alpha among all

```
def alphaZ(Xtrain,ytrain,Xtest,ytest):
    clf = DecisionTreeClassifier(random_state=0)
    path = clf.cost_complexity_pruning_path(Xtrain, ytrain)
    ccp_alphas, impurities = path.ccp_alphas, path.impurities
    clfs = []
    for ccp_alpha in ccp_alphas:
        clf = DecisionTreeClassifier(random_state=0, ccp_alpha=ccp_alpha)
        clf.fit(X_train, y_train)
        clfs.append(clf)
    train_scores = [clf.score(Xtrain, ytrain) for clf in clfs]
    test_scores = [clf.score(Xtest, ytest) for clf in clfs]
    alpha , tscore = ccp_alphas[test_scores.index(max(test_scores))], max(test_scores)
    return alpha, tscore
```

#### 10.1 Questions

How interpret machine learning models a category instead a numerical value? how we can encode without order.

# 11 OneHotEncoding

how we can encode categorical variables? this is used to created dummy variables.

```
var1 = ['A','B','C','A','B','A']
var2 = ['real','bot','bot','bot','real','real']
df = pd.DataFrame({"var1":var1, "var2":var2})
for var in df.columns:
    if df[var].dtype=='object':
        df = pd.get_dummies(df,prefix=[var], columns = [var], drop_first=True)
```

# 12 LabelEncoder

According to the documentation this must be used to the outcome or y variable. due rank the input ant could alter the results.

## 12.1 Theil index

$$H(x) = p(x) \tag{3}$$

```
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
pd.read_excel(df)
```

print('hello world')