CS181 Assignment 1

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1. Decision Trees and ID3

- (a) ID3 will chose to split on A because it has a higher information gain.
 - Splitting on A will have an information gain of $Gain(X_k, A) = H(A) Remainder(X_k, A) = ??$, where $H(A) = \frac{3}{7} \log_2 \frac{7}{3} + \frac{4}{7} \log_2 \frac{7}{4} = ??$, and $Remainder(X_k, A) = \frac{4}{7} (\frac{2}{4} \log_2 2 + \frac{2}{4} \log_2 2 + \frac{3}{7} (\frac{2}{3} \log_2 \frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{3} \log_2 3) = 0.96$
 - Splitting on B will have an information gain of $Gain(X_k, B) = H(B) Remainder(X_k, B) = ??$, where $H(B) = \frac{2}{7} \log_2 \frac{7}{2} + \frac{5}{7} \log_2 \frac{7}{5} = ??$, and $Remainder(X_k, B) = \frac{2}{7} (\frac{1}{2} \log_2 2 + \frac{1}{2} \log_2 2 + \frac{5}{7} (\frac{3}{5} \log_2 \frac{5}{3} + \frac{2}{5} \log_2 \frac{5}{2}) = 0.98$

This example shows that ID3 has an inductive bias of strongly preferring extreme partitions and larger subsets. In this case, looking at the results of the

- (b) In this example, a tree that could be formed would split first on A, then B, then C, as shown below.
- (c) By eyeballing the data

2. ID3 and Pruning

- (a) The average cross-validated training performance was:
 - Non-noisy: Training 1.0 and test 0.87.
 - Noisy: Training 0.98 and test 0.78.
- (b) After the pruning function:
 - i. Graph
 - ii. The
- 3. Boosting
- 4. Tree Analysis