





Design of a diagnosis and follow-up platform for patients with chronic headaches

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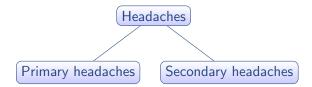






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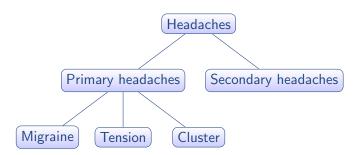






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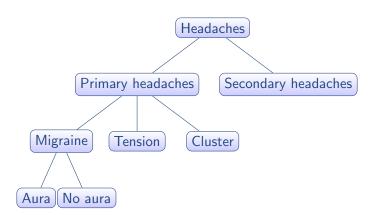






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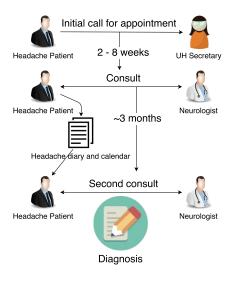
Current process at UH Ghent is:

- ► Not digital
- **▶** cumbersome
- ► long-lasting















So there is need for a better (digital) alternative! This alternative has to:

- ▶ capture at least the same information as current solution
- ▶ be more efficient.
- provide a second opinion for the doctors (auto-diagnose)







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Platform requirements

Our proposed alternative consists of:

- ► Headache journal: mobile app
- ► Doctor Dashboard: web application
- ► Machine learning module: decision support

Solution non-functional requirements:

- ► Security
- ► Availability
- ► Performance & learning curve

► Usability

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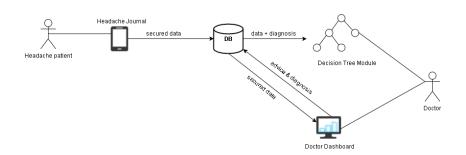






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Why create a new application?

Competition

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- ▶ none captures all data needed
- ▶ none offers usable data export

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Cross platform vs Native

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	+ device-specific features	+ Write once, run everywhere
	+ Better performance	+ Less maintenance
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Components

- ► Database
- ▶ Connection to App
- ► Connection to Docter Dashboard
- ► Connection Machine learning module

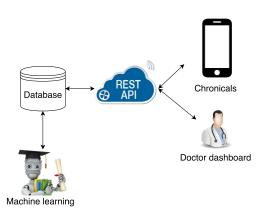






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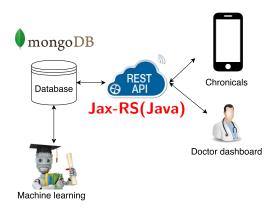






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Many different induction algorithms



→ Which tree is the most beautiful?

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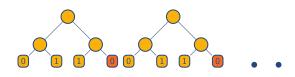


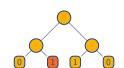




Current ensembles lack interpretability

Boosting, bagging, random forests, etc. require majority voting (classification) or mean calculation (regression) to obtain prediction





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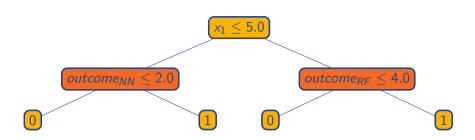






Current ensembles lack interpretability

The final decision tree obtained by **stacking** contains uninterpretable internal nodes



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Decision tree \rightarrow decision space

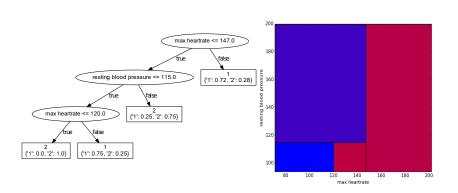
Converting decision trees to decision spaces

We can define a one-to-one mapping between a decision tree and a set of k-dimensional hyperplanes (k = # features), called **decision space**. Each node in the decision tree corresponds to a hyperplane in the decision space.





Decision tree \rightarrow decision space



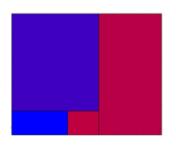


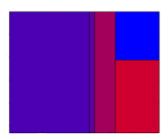




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Merging decision spaces



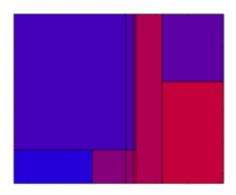






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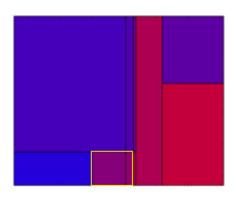
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Pruning decision spaces









Decision space \rightarrow decision tree

Converting decision spaces to decision trees

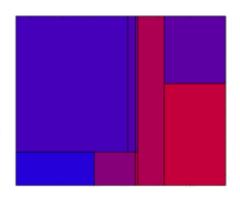
One-to-one mapping from decision tree to space is lost during conversion because the order is lost. Therefore, a **heuristic** approach must be taken, identifying **hyperplane candidates** and calculating a metric to choose the 'best' plane.





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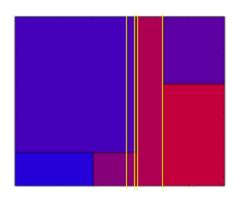






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Finding 'best' candidate hyperplane

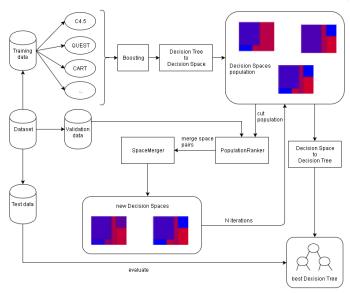
Apply metric function to each plane, these include:

- ▶ information gain and Gini
- ▶ pick plane from most correlated feature
- ▶ pick plane that divide space in two most equal subspaces
- combination





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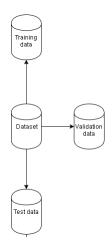






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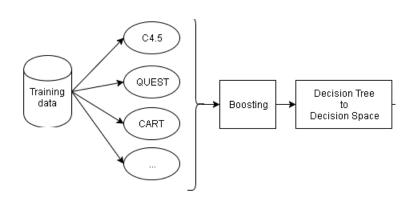
Splitting the data







Generate different decision trees

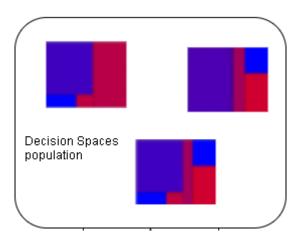






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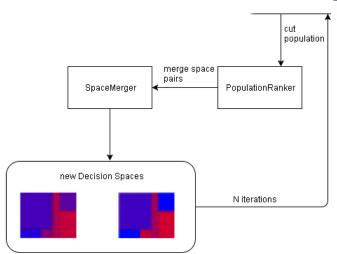






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PopulationRanker

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Fitness function

A high accuracy is the most important property of a decision tree, followed by its' size (\rightarrow comprehensibility). Genetic algorithms are well suited for **multi-objective optimization**.

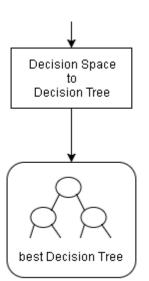
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Final iteration

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Headache dataset

Data collection could only start in March:

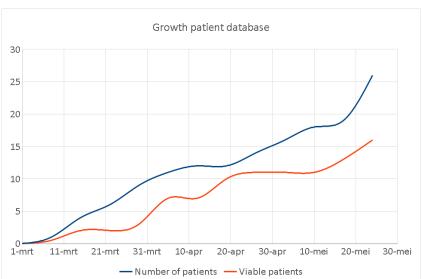
- ▶ the mobile application had to be finished first
- ▶ an ethical committee had to approve our application

 \rightarrow too few samples for machine learning















Evaluating our algorithm

5 datasets from UCI optimal parameters, feature selection when needed and k-fold CV

Name	#Samples	#Disc	#Cont	#Class	Imbalance rate
Heart	270	7	6	2	0.058
Car	1728	6	0	4	0.225
Iris	150	0	4	3	0
Shuttle	14500	0	9	7	0.18308
Nursery	12960	8	0	5	0.1498

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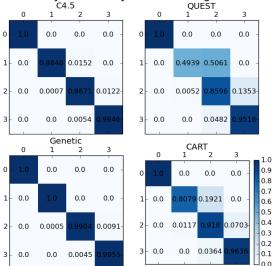
Dataset	Folds	C4.5	CART	QUEST	Genetic
Heart disease	5	0.8067	0.7844	0.7844	0.8067
Heart disease	10	0.8104	0.7732	0.7881	0.7993
Iris	3	0.9533	0.9467	0.9467	0.96
ITIS	5	0.9467	0.9333	0.9467	0.9533
	3	0.9722	0.9693	0.9229	0.9693
Cars	5	0.9711	0.9682	0.9241	<u>0.9786</u>
	10	0.9756	0.9751	0.9265	<u>0.9803</u>
	3	0.9987	0.9983	0.9964	0.9988
Shuttle	5	0.9986	0.9981	0.9962	0.9988
	10	0.9990	0.9987	0.9941	0.9992
	3	0.9890	0.9431	0.9147	0.9914
Nursery	5	0.9918	0.9498	0.9251	<u>0.9958</u>
	10	0.9937	0.9568	0.9259	0.9954





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Accuracy on nursery dataset using 10 folds









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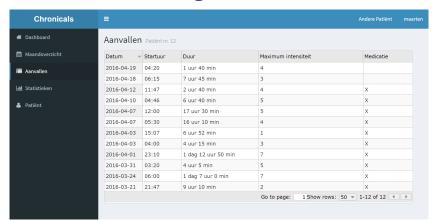




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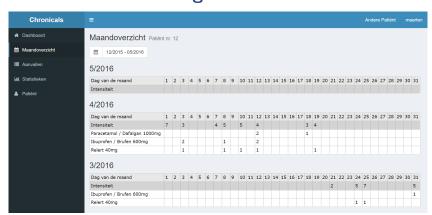




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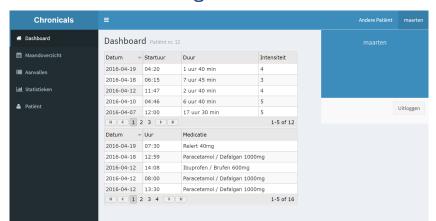






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Conclusion

▶ It is shown that the current process in the UH of Ghent can be completely digitized. Our solution can significantly improve the efficiency and reduce the frequency of consults, leading to a reduction in health care costs.

► The foundations for a diagnosis support system are built, using a genetic approach to merge different induced decision trees to obtain a single decision tree with enhanced accuracy.

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Future work

- ► Develop native applications for iOS and Android to enhance look-&-feel
- ► Re-evaluate our machine learning models on a larger headache dataset
- ► Implement more induction algorithms and ensemble techniques to create a more diverse initial population
- ► Experiment with other selection techniques and fitness functions
- ► Optimize the heuristic approach to convert decision spaces to decision trees

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