



Decision Tree !

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- It is a supervised machine learning algorithm that is used for both classification & regression tasks. It models decisions and their consequences.
- The structure of decision tree is similar to flowchart where each internal node represents a 'decision' based on a feature or attribute, each branch represents the outcome of that decision, and each leaf node represents a class label or a continuous value.

Terminologies:

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- Root Node: Represents entire dataset.
- Decision nodes: Represents decision based on a feature's value. (e.g.: Age ≤ 30)
- Leaf nodes: Final nodes that provide the outcome.
- Branches: The paths connecting nodes, representing the decision outcomes at each step.
- Features: Attributes used to make decisions at each node.
- Splitting criteria: Information gain for classification and Gini Impurity for regression.
- Pruning: Process of removing branches to prevent overfitting.
- Depth: no. of levels in the tree.
- Diagrams of Decision Trees:

DATE
P-TIME



ex:

[Is Age ≥ 30 ?]

Yes (Root)

No (Next)

Income $\geq 50k$

Income $\leq 50k$

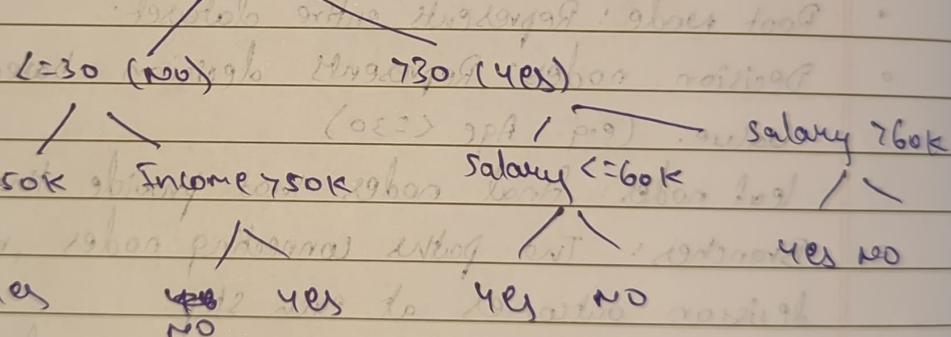
Income $> 50k$

Income $< 50k$

This tree predicts whether someone is likely to buy a product based on their age & income.

ex:

[Root: Age?]

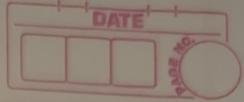


• Root node asks a decision tree based on Age, & based on whether the condition holds ($\text{Age} \leq 30$ or ≥ 30)
the data is further split into diff. features like income & salary, eventually leading to the classification (Yes/No) is made

- Classification tree ask us to start from a root

• The goal is to predict a categorical outcome (like 'Yes or No', 'spam' or 'not spam')

• ex: Given a dataset of emails, predict whether an



email is spam or not spam based on features like
the sender, subject & content

- splitting criteria \rightarrow user minimizes impurity & information gain to select best features for splitting.

Regression tree: what's the relationship between input variables and output variable?

- goal is to predict a continuous numerical outcome (value) like house price, temp., etc.
- ex: given a dataset of house prices, predict the price of a house based on features like square footage, no. of bedrooms, location, etc.
- splitting criteria \rightarrow user mean squared error (MSE)

Entropy: a measure of disorder or uncertainty

- It is the measure of unpredictability or impurity in a dataset. It is used to quantify the uncertainty in the target variable.
- Entropy helps guide quantifying the level of uncertainty in the data.

$$\text{formula: } H(S) = - \sum_{i=1}^k p(c_i) \log_2 p(c_i)$$

- Entropy of a Partition

when building a Decision Tree, you split a dataset into subsets based on a feature. The entropy of a Partition refers to the entropy calculated for each subset resulting from the split

↳ Creating a Decision Tree!

- i) Collect & Prepare Data new a grid or partition
 - gather dataset that contain both input features & target variables.
- ii) Get choose a splitting criterion!
 - It helps determine which feature to use for the split
 - a) Info. gain (IG): It measures how well a feature separates the data based on entropy.information gain
 - b) Gini Index : It measures the impurity of the dataset, with 0 being purest. In general, smaller IG is better.
- iii) calculate the best split.
 - Info. gain (IG): The feature with highest information gain is chosen for the split.
 - Gini Index: The feature with lowest Gini index is selected for the split.
- iv) split the data into subsets.
- v) Stopping criteria:
 - Two recursion stops here.

↳ Random Forest!

- It is an ensemble learning technique that combines multiple decision trees to improve the performance of the model.

• commonly used for both classification and regression tasks and has higher

- Steps to Training data
 - Bootstrapping (Create several subsets)
 - Building trees
 - Voting (all trees cast their votes with the majority vote)
- Adv:
 - Reduced overfitting
 - Handles missing data
 - Robust to noise
 - Versatility

- Disadv:
 - Computationally expensive
 - Slower predictions

Neural Networks

• Neural networks are class of machine learning models inspired by the way the human brain processes information.

• Neural networks are used for a variety of tasks such as classification, regression & even deep learning for more complex applications.

along with the higher level weights: input layer (3)

i) Perceptrons

• It forms the foundation for more complex neural networks

• Single layer neural network designed to classify data into two classes.

• Components? overall idea is not yet clear

- a) Input layer consists of input features
- b) weights: each input is associated with a weight that signifies its importance

- c) Bias: A bias term is added to the weighted sum to allow the model to make predictions even when all inputs are zero.
- d) Activation function: Determines the output (0 or 1)
- Algorithm - initialize weights
 - compute output
 - update weights
 - Repeat

ii) Feed forward neural networks:

- more complex neural networks that consists of multiple layers of neurons (nodes). unlike perceptron, FNN can learn non-linear relationships in data.
- components:
 - a) Input layer: This layer receives the input features for the model.
 - b) Hidden layers: These layers perform transformations of the inputs, enabling the network to learn complex patterns.
 - c) Output layer: Produces final output of the model, which can be used for classification & regression
 - d) weights & biases: each connection between neurons has a weight & an associated bias. Each neuron has a bias term
- forward propagation: Data flows in one direction (bottom up from input layer to output layer)
 - steps: - Input, activation, - weighted sum, - output

- Activation
- Repeat
- Output.

Activation functions - mapping of observations w.r.t. previous layer to outputs w.r.t. activation function (ii)

This function introduces non-linearity, allowing neural networks to model more complex patterns. The commonly used activation functions - sigmoid (iii) & tanh prior

FNN Adv:

- can handle both classification & regression problems.
- can model non-linear complex relationships b/w inputs & outputs.
- layered architecture.
- customizable.

Disadvantages of FNNs (iv) -

- overfitting (especially with small dataset)
- computationally expensive (v) : computational cost
- require more data (vi) -

iii) Backpropagation:

- Algorithm used to train neural networks by updating the weights & biases based on the error b/w predicted & actual output (vii) -
- steps: forward propagation: calculate the output using

current weights & biases

- ii) calculate error: compute the error between predicted output & actual output
for classification \rightarrow cross entropy loss
for regression \rightarrow MSE
- iii) Backward pass (compute gradients): use the chain rule of calculus to calculate the gradients of the error with respect to each weight in the network.
- iv) update weights & biases: update the weights & biases using algorithm like gradient descent.
- v) Repeat: Repeat the process for multiple epochs until the error converges to an acceptable level.

Advantages & disadvantages of gradient descent

Efficient training requires more time to converge.

- Adaptability (works with a wide range of tasks)
- Scalable.

Disadvantages:

- vanishing gradients (gradients can become too small or too large, making training unstable)
- slow convergence: takes a lot of time for training deep networks.
- overfitting risks.

Mapreduce:

The core idea is to use a divide & conquer strategy to achieve parallelization & distribution of work across a cluster of machines making it highly scalable & fault tolerant.

Regions \rightarrow scalability factor increasing linearly



- parallel processing
- fault tolerance
- simplicity over having too much complexity
- High throughput

↳ word count example:

Given a large count collection of documents, the goal is to count the frequency of each word in the entire dataset.

- Steps:

- i) Input: Collection of documents.
 - ii) Map phase:
 - each mapper processes a portion of the input data.
 - for each word in the document, the mapper emits a key-value pair.
 - iii) Shuffle & sort: The system sorts the key value pairs by key & groups them together.
 - iv) Reduce phase: Reducer aggregates the values for each key.
- ~) output: The final output is the count of each word in the entire collection of documents.

↳ Matrix multiplication example:

Here, map reduce can be very useful, especially for large matrices that can't fit into the memory of a single machine.

- Steps:

- i) Input: Two matrices A & B
A is divided into rows & B into columns.

- ii) Map phase: each mapper processes a row from matrix A & a column from matrix B. Thus
 - for each pair of row from matrix A & a column from B, the mapper computes the dot product for one element of the resulting matrix C.
- iii) shuffle & sort: The system groups the key-value pairs by the position in the result matrix.
- iv) Reduce: reducer sums the values for each key to compute final value of each element in C.
- v) output: The final result is the matrix C.