

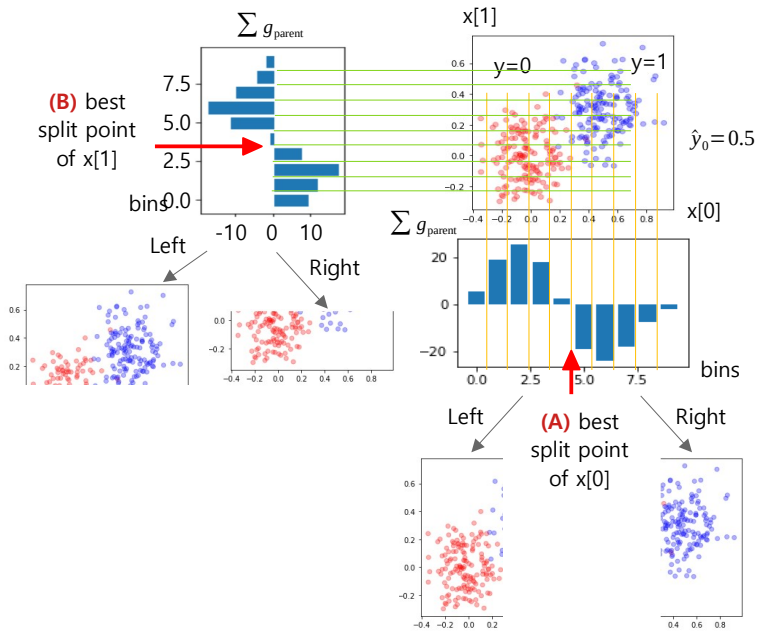


## 12. Light GBM

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- You should watch the XGBoost videos first because it covers only the parts added to XGBoost.
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## ▪ LightGBM : Overview

- LightGBM was proposed by Microsoft's Guolin Ke and others in 2017 to handle large amounts of data more effectively than XGBoost.
- To process large amounts of data, features such as Gradient-based One-Side Sampling (GOSS) and Exclusive Feature Bundling (EFB) were proposed.

### LightGBM: A Highly Efficient Gradient Boosting Decision Tree

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#### ABSTRACT

Gradient Boosting Decision Tree (GBDT) is a popular machine learning algorithm and has quite a few effective implementations such as XGBoost and pGBRT. Although many engineering optimizations have been adopted in these implementations, the efficiency and scalability are still unsatisfactory when the feature dimension is high and data size is large. A major reason is that for each feature, they need to scan all the data instances to estimate the information gain of all possible split points, which is very time consuming. To tackle this problem, we propose two novel techniques: [Gradient-based One-Side Sampling \(GOSS\)](#) and [Exclusive Feature Bundling \(EFB\)](#). With GOSS, we exclude a significant proportion of data instances with small gradients, and only use the rest to estimate the information gain. We prove that, since the data instances with larger gradients play a more important role in the computation of information gain, GOSS can obtain quite accurate estimation of the information gain with a much smaller data size. With EFB, we bundle mutually exclusive features (i.e., they rarely take nonzero values simultaneously), to reduce the number of features. We prove that finding the optimal bundling of exclusive features is NP-hard, but a greedy algorithm can achieve quite good approximation ratio (and thus can effectively reduce the number of features without hurting the accuracy of split point determination by much). We call our new GBDT implementation with GOSS and EFB LightGBM. Our experiments on multiple public datasets show that, [LightGBM speeds up the training process of conventional GBDT by up to over 20 times while achieving almost the same accuracy.](#)

### An Experimental Evaluation of Large Scale GBDT Systems

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#### ABSTRACT

Gradient boosting decision tree (GBDT) is a widely-used machine learning algorithm in both data analytic competitions and real-world industrial applications. Further, driven by the rapid increase in data volume, efforts have been made to train GBDT in a distributed setting to support large-scale workloads. However, we find it surprising that the existing systems manage the training dataset in different ways, but none of them have studied the impact of data management. To that end, this paper aims to study the pros and cons of different data management methods regarding the performance of distributed GBDT. We first introduce a quadrant categorization of data management policies based on data partitioning and data storage. Then we conduct an in-depth systematic analysis and summarize the advantageous scenarios of the quadrants. Based on the analysis, we further propose a novel distributed GBDT system named Vero, which adopts the unexplored composition of vertical partitioning and row-store and suits for many large-scale cases. To validate our analysis empirically, we implement different quadrants in the same code base and compare them under extensive workloads, and finally compare Vero with other state-of-the-art systems over a wide range of datasets. Our theoretical and experimental results provide a guideline on choosing a proper data management policy for a given workload.

## ▪ Histogram-based split finding - Example

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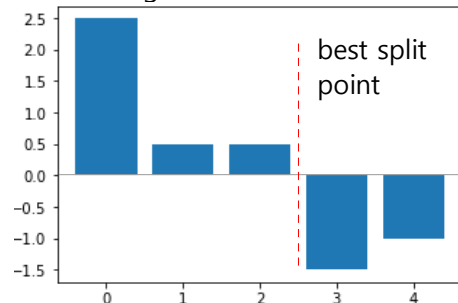
data id = [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19]
feature (x) = [0.41, 0.22, 0.7, 0.06, 0.48, 0.8, 0.05, 0.72, 0.34, 0.15, 0.6, 0.31, 0.01, 0.02, 0.29, 0.55, 0.53, 0.22, 0.4, 0.98]
target (y) = [0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1]
y0 = 0.5 ← initial prediction
-residual (g) = [0.5, 0.5, -0.5, 0.5, 0.5, -0.5, 0.5, -0.5, 0.5, 0.5, -0.5, -0.5, 0.5, 0.5, -0.5, -0.5, -0.5, 0.5, 0.5, -0.5]
h = 0.5 * (1 - 0.5) = 0.25

```

\* frequency distribution table

구간	bin	id	$\Sigma g$
$0 \leq x < 0.2$	0	3,6,9,12,13	$0.5+0.5+0.5+0.5+0.5 = 2.5$
$0.2 \leq x < 0.4$	1	1,8,11,14,17	$0.5+0.5-0.5-0.5+0.5 = 0.5$
$0.4 \leq x < 0.6$	2	0,4,15,16,18	$0.5+0.5-0.5-0.5+0.5 = 0.5$
$0.6 \leq x < 0.8$	3	2,7,10	$-0.5-0.5-0.5 = -1.5$
$0.8 \leq x < 1.0$	4	5,19	$-0.5-0.5 = -1.0$

\* histogram



```
g_sum, bins = np.histogram(x, 5, weights=g)
```

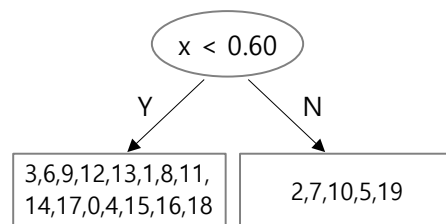
```
plt.figure(figsize=(5, 4))
plt.bar(np.arange(0, g_sum.shape[0]), g_sum)
plt.show()
```

\* score table ( $\lambda = 0$ )

candidate split points	$\Sigma g$ (left)	$\Sigma g$ (right)	Score (left)	Score (right)	Score (left + right)
0.2	2.5	-1.5	$2.5^2 / (0.25*5) = 5.0$	$(-1.5)^2 / (0.25*15) = 0.6$	5.6
0.4	3.0	-2.0	$3.0^2 / (0.25*10) = 3.6$	$(-2.0)^2 / (0.25*10) = 1.6$	5.2
0.6	3.5	-2.5	$3.5^2 / (0.25*15) = 3.27$	$(-2.5)^2 / (0.25*5) = 5.0$	9.94
0.8	2.0	-1.0	$2.0^2 / (0.25*18) = 0.89$	$(-1.0)^2 / (0.25*2) = 2.0$	2.89

$$score = \frac{(\sum_{i \in I_L} g_i)^2}{\sum_{i \in I_L} h_i + \lambda}$$

← best split point



## ▪ Histogram-based split finding - Algorithm

- If you create a histogram with 10 bins for each feature, as in the example on the right, only nine split attempts are required.

### Algorithm 1: Histogram-based Algorithm

**Input:**  $I$ : training data,  $d$ : max depth

**Input:**  $m$ : feature dimension

$nodeSet \leftarrow \{0\}$  ▷ tree nodes in current level

$rowSet \leftarrow \{\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}\}$  ▷ data indices in tree nodes

**for**  $i = 1$  **to**  $d$  **do**

**for**  $node$  **in**  $nodeSet$  **do**

$usedRows \leftarrow rowSet[node]$

**for**  $k = 1$  **to**  $m$  **do**

$H \leftarrow new\ Histogram()$

      ▷ Build histogram

**for**  $j$  **in**  $usedRows$  **do**

$bin \leftarrow I.f[k][j].bin$

$H[bin].y \leftarrow H[bin].y + I.y[j]$

$H[bin].n \leftarrow H[bin].n + 1$

      Find the best split on histogram  $H$ .

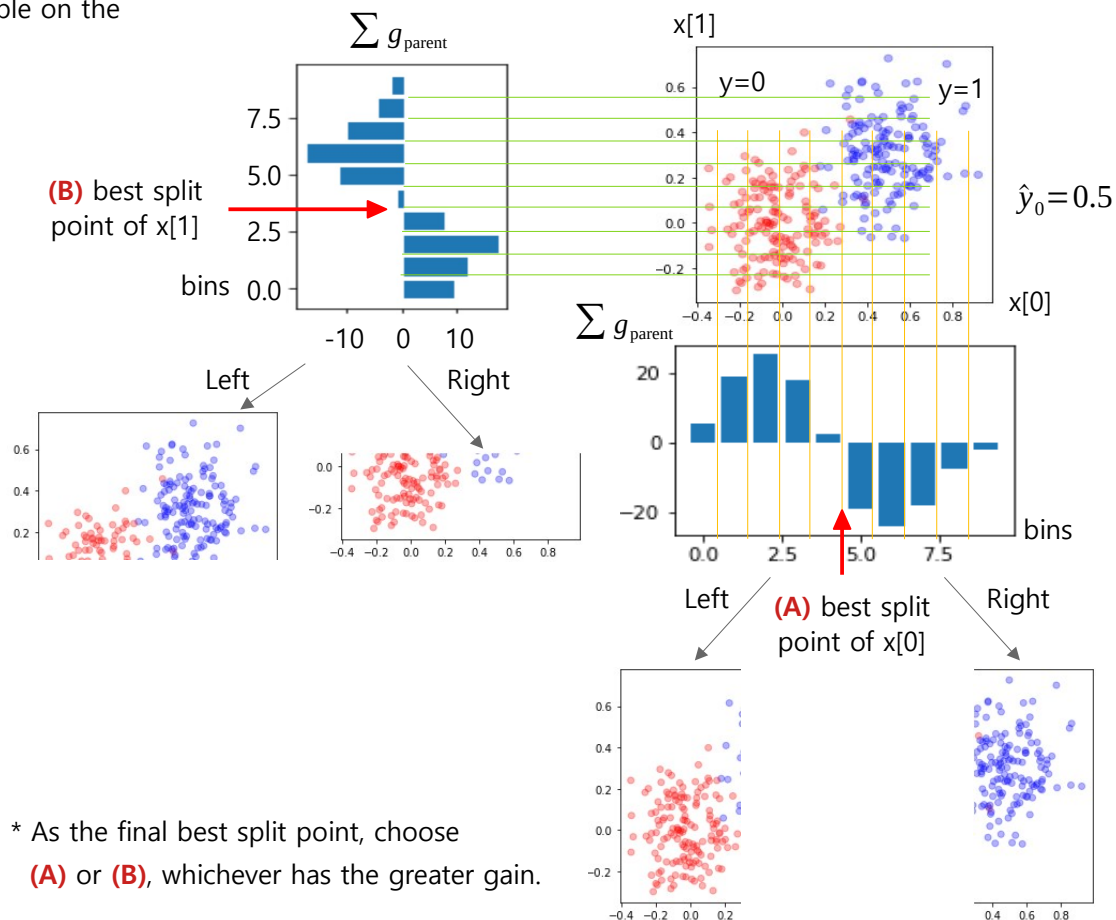
      ...

    Update  $rowSet$  and  $nodeSet$  according to the best split points.

  ...

$y$  means  $g$ .  
accumulate  $g$ .  
 $g = -(y - \hat{y})$

accumulate  $h$ .  
 $mse \rightarrow 1$   
 $bce \rightarrow \hat{y}(1 - \hat{y})$



\* Source : Guolin Ke, et, al., 2017, LightGBM: A Highly Efficient Gradient Boosting Decision Tree

\* As the final best split point, choose (A) or (B), whichever has the greater gain.

## ▪ Histogram-based split finding - Parallel processing

- Histogram-based algorithm takes a long time to generate a histogram each time a node is split, but the time can be reduced through parallel processing. It is advantageous when processing large amounts of data.

\* Source: Fangcheng Fu, et, al., 2019, An Experimental Evaluation of Large Scale GBDT Systems. (Figure 3, 4: Illustration of data partitioning and storage)

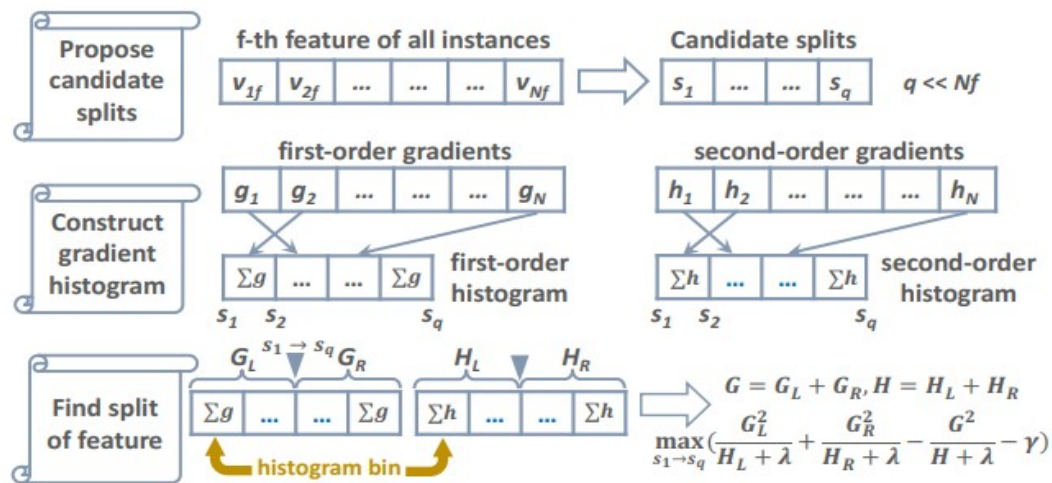


Figure 3: Histogram-based split finding for one feature

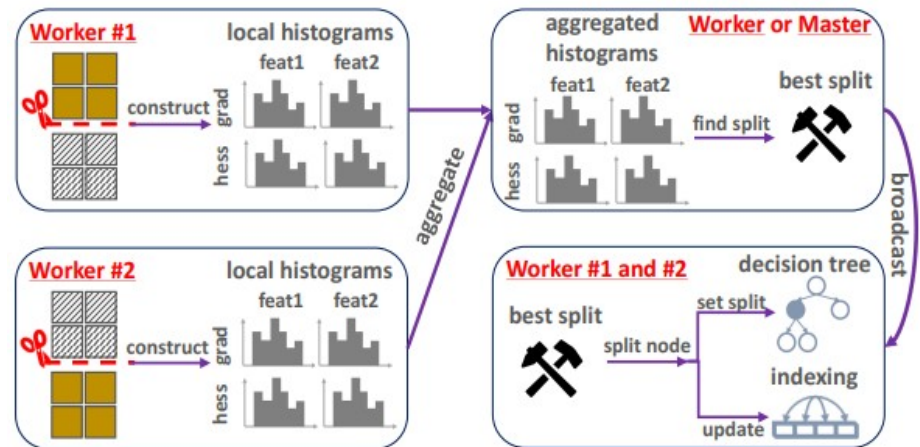


Figure 4 (a): Horizontal partitioning. Workers construct local histograms for all features and aggregate into global ones.

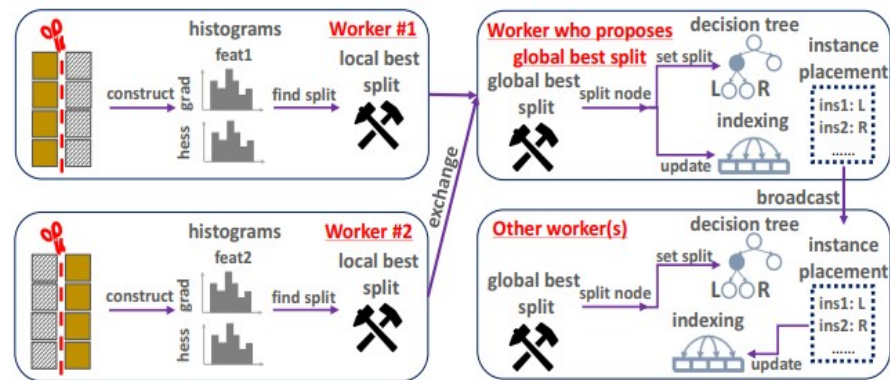


Figure 4 (b): Vertical partitioning. Worker who proposes global best split broadcasts the instance placement after node splitting.



## Simple Implementation of Histogram-based split finding

# [MXML-12-01] 1.histogram-based.py

```
import numpy as np
from sklearn.datasets import make_blobs
from multiprocessing.pool import Pool
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

# Create a training data set.

```
x, y = make_blobs(n_samples=300, n_features=2,
                  centers=[[0., 0.], [0.5, 0.3]],
                  cluster_std=0.15, center_box=(-1., 1.))
```

```
plt.figure(figsize=(4,4))
color = [['red', 'blue'][a] for a in y]
plt.scatter(x[:,0], x[:,1], c=color, alpha=0.3)
plt.show()
```

```
def find_local_split_point(f, s_point):
```

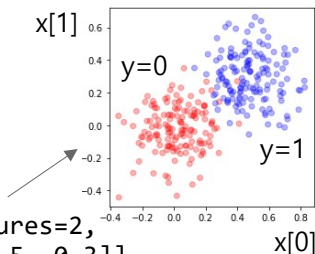
```
    GL = HL = 0.0
    l_bound = -np.inf          # lower left bound
    max_gain = -np.inf         # initialize max_gain
```

```
    for j in s_point:
```

```
        # split the parent node into the left and right nodes.
        left = np.where(np.logical_and(f > l_bound, f <= j))[0]
        right = np.where(f > j)[0]
```

```
        # After splitting the parent node, calculate the scores
        # of its children.
```

```
        GL += g[left].sum()
        HL += h[left].sum()
        GR = G - GL
        HR = H - HL
```



# Calculate the gain for this split

```
gain = (GL ** 2)/(HL + r) + (GR ** 2)/(HR + r) - p_score
```

# Find the maximum gain.

```
if gain > max_gain:
    max_gain = gain
    b_point = j          # local best split point
    l_bound = j
```

$$Gain = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{(\sum_{i \in I_L} g_i)^2}{\sum_{i \in I_L} h_i + \lambda} + \frac{(\sum_{i \in I_R} g_i)^2}{\sum_{i \in I_R} h_i + \lambda} - \frac{(\sum_{i \in I} g_i)^2}{\sum_{i \in I} h_i + \lambda} \right] - \gamma$$

```
return b_point, max_gain
```

```
y0 = np.ones(shape=y.shape) * 0.5 # initial prediction
g = -(y - y0)                       # negative residual.
h = y0 * (1. - y0)                 # Hessian.
```

# Create a histogram of the parent node for each feature

```
n_bin = 30 # the number of bins
g0_parent, f0_bin = np.histogram(x[:, 0], n_bin, weights=g) # feature 0
g1_parent, f1_bin = np.histogram(x[:, 1], n_bin, weights=g) # feature 1
```

# Find the best split point of each feature

```
G = g.sum()
H = h.sum()
r = 0.01
p_score = (G ** 2) / (H + r) # parent's score before splitting the node
```

$$score = \frac{(\sum_{i \in I_L} g_i)^2}{\sum_{i \in I_L} h_i + \lambda}$$

```
# Find global best split point through parallel processing
# vertical partitioning method is used.
```

```
mp = Pool(2)
args = [[x[:, 0], f0_bin], [x[:, 1], f1_bin]]
ret = mp.starmap_async(find_local_split_point, args)
```

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```
mp.close()
mp.join()

results = ret.get()
p1 = results[0][0];    p2 = results[1][0]
gain1 = results[0][1]; gain2 = results[1][1]

if gain1 > gain2:
    b_fid = 0
    b_point = p1
else:
    b_fid = 1
    b_point = p2

print('\nbest feature id =', b_fid)
print('best split point =', b_point.round(3))
```

```
Result:
best feature id = 0
best split point = 0.231
```





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**Algorithm 2:** Gradient-based One-Side Sampling

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**Input:**  $I$ : training data,  $d$ : iterations

**Input:**  $a$ : sampling ratio of large gradient data

**Input:**  $b$ : sampling ratio of small gradient data

**Input:**  $loss$ : loss function,  $L$ : weak learner

$models \leftarrow \{\}$ ,  $fact \leftarrow \frac{1-a}{b}$

$topN \leftarrow a \times \text{len}(I)$ ,  $randN \leftarrow b \times \text{len}(I)$

**for**  $i = 1$  **to**  $d$  **do**

$preds \leftarrow models.predict(I)$

$g \leftarrow loss(I, preds)$ ,  $w \leftarrow \{1, 1, \dots\}$

$sorted \leftarrow \text{GetSortedIndices}(abs(g))$

$topSet \leftarrow sorted[1:topN]$

$randSet \leftarrow \text{RandomPick}(sorted[topN:\text{len}(I)], randN)$

$usedSet \leftarrow topSet + randSet$

$w[randSet] \times = fact$   $\triangleright$  Assign weight  $fact$  to the  
        small gradient data.

$newModel \leftarrow L(I[usedSet], -g[usedSet], w[usedSet])$

$models.append(newModel)$

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### Part 2: Gradient-based One-Side Sampling (GOSS)

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## ▪ Gradient-based One-Side Sampling (GOSS)

- Most ensemble learning methods, such as RandomForest, AdaBoost, SGBM, and XGBoost, randomly sample data to increase the efficiency of training.
- LightGBM uses GOSS to sample data. Sampling is performed using the size of the absolute value of the residuals. And performance does not drop significantly.
- Core idea:** The data points with small residuals can be excluded from training in the next iteration round because the predictions are already reliable. Those that do not should be selected for further training in the next round.

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$usedSet \leftarrow topSet + randSet$

$w[randSet] \times = fact$  ▷ Assign weight  $fact$  to the small gradient data.

$newModel \leftarrow L(I[usedSet], -g[usedSet], w[usedSet])$

$models.append(newModel)$



The data points in topSet are given a weight of 1.0, and those in randSet are given a weight of 2.83. When calculating  $\Sigma g$  and  $\Sigma h$  for the data in randSet, 17 g's and 17 h's must be added, but since only 6 were added, multiply by 2.83. ( $2.83 \times 6 = 17$ ). This would have the effect of adding 17 g's and 17 h's.

\* Source: Guolin Ke, et, al., 2017, LightGBM: A Highly Efficient Gradient Boosting Decision Tree

## Implementation of GOSS

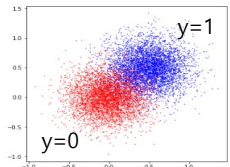
```
# [MXML-12-02] 2.goss.py
# Implement GOSS algorithm presented in the paper.
# 1. Adding GOSS feature to XGBClassifier
# 2. Using the LGBMClassifier library
# Source: www.youtube.com/@meanxai
import numpy as np
from sklearn.datasets import make_blobs
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from xgboost import XGBClassifier
from lightgbm import LGBMClassifier

# Create a training dataset
x, y = make_blobs(n_samples=10000, n_features=2,
                  centers=[[0., 0.], [0.5, 0.5]],
                  cluster_std=0.25, center_box=(-1., 1.))

n_boost = 50 # the number of boosting
eta = 0.3    # learning rate
max_depth = 2 # max_depth of a tree

def base_model(x, y, weights, F0):
    model = XGBClassifier(n_estimators=1, # just 1 round
                          learning_rate=eta,
                          max_depth=max_depth,
                          max_bin=20, tree_method='hist',
                          base_score=None)

    # g and h are multiplied by their weights.
    model.fit(x, y, sample_weight=weights, base_margin=F0)
    return model
```



```
# Algorithm 2: Gradient-based One-Side Sampling (GOSS)
a = 0.3 # sampling ratio of large gradient data
b = 0.2 # sampling ratio of small gradient data
fact = (1. - a) / b
topN = int(a * x.shape[0])
randN = int(b * x.shape[0])
models = []
Fm = np.zeros(y.shape) # initial log(odds) prediction

for i in range(n_boost):
    y_prev = 1. / (1. + np.exp(-Fm))
    g = -(y - y_prev) # negative residual. first order gradients
    w = np.ones(shape=x.shape[0]) # initial sample weights.
    sorted_g = np.argsort(np.abs(g))[:, -1]
    topSet = sorted_g[:topN]
    randSet = np.random.choice(sorted_g[topN:], size=randN, replace=False)
    usedSet = np.hstack([topSet, randSet])
    w[randSet] *= fact # Assign weight fact to the small gradient data

    newModel = base_model(x[usedSet], y[usedSet],
                          w[usedSet], Fm[Fm[usedSet]])
    Fm += newModel.predict(x, output_margin=True)
    models.append(newModel)

# Create a test dataset and predict the class of test data
x_test = np.random.uniform(-1.0, 1.5, (1000, 2))

test_Fm = np.zeros(x_test.shape[0])
for model in models:
    test_Fm += model.predict(x_test, output_margin=True)
```

$$\tilde{L}^{(t)} \simeq \sum_{i=1}^n \text{weight}_i \left( g_i w_{x_i} + \frac{1}{2} h_i w_{x_i}^2 \right) + \mathcal{Y}T + \frac{1}{2} \lambda \sum_{j=1}^T w_j^2$$

## Implementation of GOSS

```
y_prob = 1. / (1. + np.exp(-test_Fm)) # log(odds) --> probability
y_pred = (y_prob > 0.5) * 1
```

# Check the prediction results and the decision boundary.

```
def check_result(x, y, x_test, y_pred, title):
    plt.figure(figsize=(4,4))
    color2 = [['red', 'blue'][a] for a in y_pred]
    plt.scatter(x_test[:, 0], x_test[:, 1], s=50, c=color2,
                alpha=0.3)
```

# Only part of the training data is drawn.

```
plt.scatter(x[:300, 0], x[:300, 1], s=50, c='black')
plt.scatter(x[:300, 0], x[:300, 1], s=5, c='yellow')
plt.xlim(-1.0, 1.5)
plt.ylim(-1.0, 1.5)
plt.title(title)
plt.show()
```

```
check_result(x, y, x_test, y_pred, "Result of the code from scratch")
```

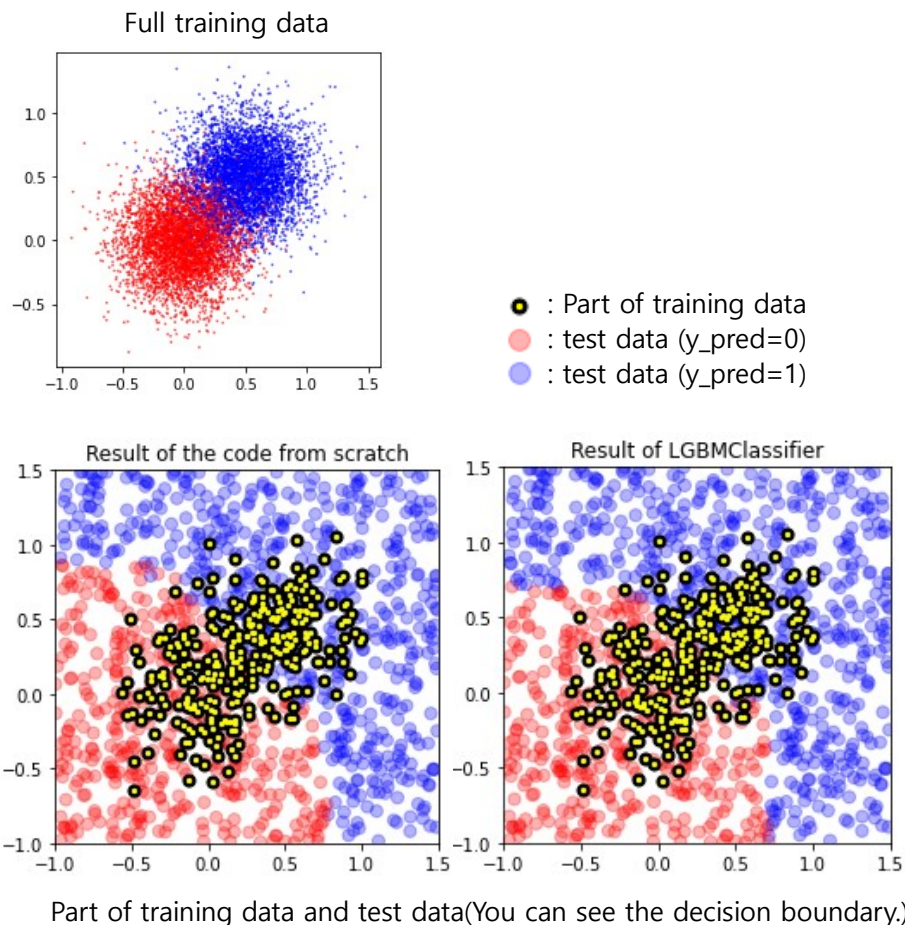
# Use LGBMClassifier library and compare the result from above code

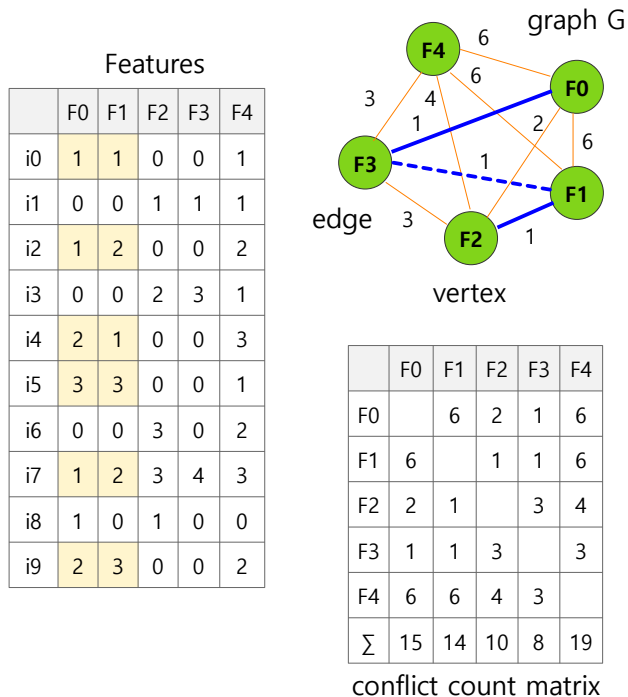
```
model = LGBMClassifier(n_estimators = 20,
                        max_depth=max_depth,
                        learning_rate=eta,
                        max_bins=20,
                        boosting_type="goss",
                        top_rate=0.3,
                        other_rate=0.2)
```

```
model.fit(x, y)
```

```
y_pred = model.predict(x_test)
```

```
check_result(x, y, x_test, y_pred, "Result of LGBMClassifier")
```





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### Part 3: Exclusive Feature Bundling (EFB) Greedy Bundling Algorithm

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## ▪ Exclusive Feature Bundling (EFB) & Merge Exclusive Features

Guolin Ke, et, al., 2017, LightGBM: A Highly Efficient Gradient Boosting Decision Tree

### 4 Exclusive Feature Bundling

In this section, we propose a novel method to effectively reduce the number of features.

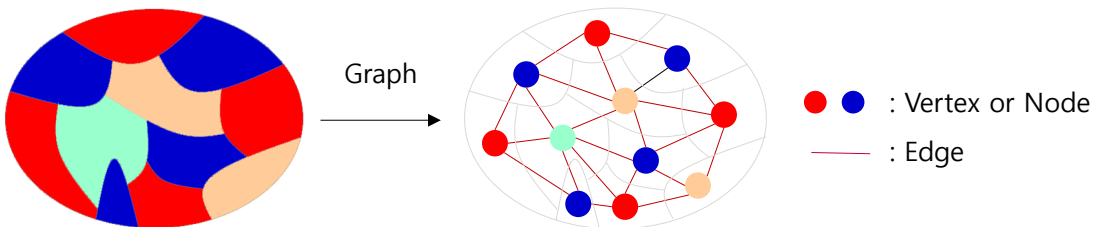
High-dimensional data are usually very sparse. The sparsity of the feature space provides us a possibility of designing a nearly lossless approach to reduce the number of features. Specifically, in a sparse feature space, many features are mutually exclusive, i.e., they never take nonzero values simultaneously. We can safely bundle exclusive features into a single feature (which we call an exclusive feature bundle). By a carefully designed feature scanning algorithm, we can build the same feature histograms from the feature bundles as those from individual features.

There are two issues to be addressed. The first one is to determine which features should be bundled together. The second is how to construct the bundle.

5 features						3 features			
	F0	F1	F2	F3	F4		F0_F3	F1_F2	F4
i0	1	1	0	0	1	i0	1	1	1
i1	0	0	1	1	1	i1	4	4	1
i2	1	2	0	0	2	i2	1	2	2
i3	0	0	2	3	1	i3	6	5	1
i4	2	1	0	0	3	i4	2	1	3
i5	3	3	0	0	1	i5	3	3	1
i6	0	0	3	0	2	i6	0	6	2
i7	1	2	3	4	3	i7	7	6	3
i8	1	0	1	0	0	i8	1	4	0
i9	2	3	0	0	2	i9	2	3	2

### ▪ Graph coloring problem

Graph coloring refers to the problem of coloring the vertices of a graph so that the colors of two adjacent vertices are not the same.





## ▪ Exclusive Feature Bundling (EFB) - Greedy Bundling

- When feature values simultaneously take on non-zero values, this is called a "conflict". Otherwise, they are mutually exclusive. Exclusive features can be bundled into a single feature. In the example below, the number of conflicts for features F0 and F1 is 6. For F1 and F2, it is 1. Features with less conflict can be bundled.
- Create a conflict count matrix and then sort it in descending order by the sum of the conflict counts. In the left algorithm, the sum of the conflict counts is called "degree", the sorted thing is called "searchOrder".
- Feature bundling is performed by sequentially searching the features in the searchOrder matrix.  $F4 \rightarrow F0 \rightarrow F1 \rightarrow F2 \rightarrow F3$

### Algorithm 3: Greedy Bundling

**Input:** F: features, K: max conflict count

Construct graph G

searchOrder  $\leftarrow$  G.sortByDegree()

bundles  $\leftarrow$  { }, bundlesConflict  $\leftarrow$  { }

**for** i **in** searchOrder **do**

    needNew  $\leftarrow$  True

**for** j = 1 **to** len(bundles) **do**

        cnt  $\leftarrow$  ConflictCnt(bundles[j], F[i])

**if** cnt + bundlesConflict[j]  $\leq$  K **then**

            bundles[j].add(F[i]), needNew  $\leftarrow$  False

            bundlesConflict[j] += cnt

**break**

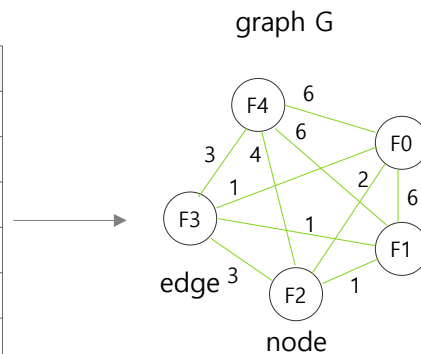
**if** needNew **then**

        Add F[i] as a new bundle to bundles

        bundlesConflict.append(0)

**Output:** bundles

	Features				
	F0	F1	F2	F3	F4
i0	1	1	0	0	1
i1	0	0	1	1	1
i2	1	2	0	0	2
i3	0	0	2	3	1
i4	2	1	0	0	3
i5	3	3	0	0	1
i6	0	0	3	0	2
i7	1	2	3	4	3
i8	1	0	1	0	0
i9	2	3	0	0	2



conflict count matrix

	F0	F1	F2	F3	F4
F0		6	2	1	6
F1	6		1	1	6
F2	2	1		3	4
F3	1	1	3		3
F4	6	6	4	3	
$\Sigma$	15	14	10	8	19

searchOrder

	F4	F0	F1	F2	F3
$\Sigma$	19	15	14	10	8

sort

\* Source : Guolin Ke, et, al., 2017, LightGBM: A Highly Efficient Gradient Boosting Decision Tree. (Fixed some typos and omissions: red)

\* Example source: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4C8SUZJPIMY>



## ▪ Exclusive Feature Bundling (EFB) - Greedy Bundling

- Set the maximum number of conflicts (K), search the graph in searchOrder order, and perform the graph coloring following the Algorithm-3 (Greedy Bundling).
- In the example below, K is set to 1 and all edges with conflict count greater than 1 are removed.
- F1 and F3 are connected with conflict count = 1, but F3 is already connected to F0, so the connection between F1 and F3 has been removed.
- As a result of performing Algorithm 3, the 5 features were bundled into 3. {F4}, {F0, F3}, {F1, F2}

### Algorithm 3: Greedy Bundling

**Input:** F: features, K: max conflict count

Construct graph G

searchOrder  $\leftarrow$  G.sortByDegree()

bundles  $\leftarrow$  { }, bundlesConflict  $\leftarrow$  { }

**for** i **in** searchOrder **do**

    needNew  $\leftarrow$  True

**for** j = 1 **to** len(bundles) **do**

        cnt  $\leftarrow$  ConflictCnt(bundles[j], F[i])

**if** cnt + bundlesConflict[j]  $\leq$  K **then**

            bundles[j].add(F[i]), needNew  $\leftarrow$  False

            bundlesConflict[j] += cnt

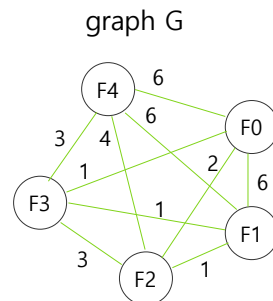
            break

**if** needNew **then**

        Add F[i] as a new bundle to bundles

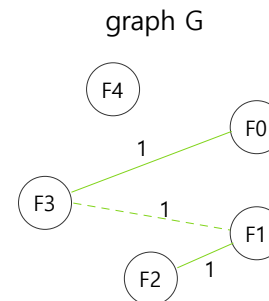
        bundlesConflict.append(0)

**Output:** bundles



searchOrder

	F4	F0	F1	F2	F3
$\Sigma$	19	15	14	10	8



While searching for searchOrder, drop the connections with conflictCnt > 1.

	j=1	j=2	j=3	
bundles:	F4	F0 F3	F1 F2	
bundlesConflict:	0	1	1	

$\leftarrow$  If needNew = True, add a new bundle.

Input

	F0	F1	F2	F3	F4
i0	1	1	0	0	1
i1	0	0	1	1	1
i2	1	2	0	0	2
i3	0	0	2	3	1
i4	2	1	0	0	3
i5	3	3	0	0	1
i6	0	0	3	0	2
i7	1	2	3	4	3
i8	1	0	1	0	0
i9	2	3	0	0	2

\* Source : Guolin Ke, et, al., 2017, LightGBM: A Highly Efficient Gradient Boosting Decision Tree. (Fixed some typos and omissions: red)

\* Example source: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4C8SUZJPIMY>

## Implementation of Greedy Bundling

# [MXML-12-03] 3.greedy\_bundling.py

# Algorithm 3: Greedy Bundling

import numpy as np

```
x = np.array([[1, 1, 0, 0, 1],
              [0, 0, 1, 1, 1],
              [1, 2, 0, 0, 2],
              [0, 0, 2, 3, 1],
              [2, 1, 0, 0, 3],
              [3, 3, 0, 0, 1],
              [0, 0, 3, 0, 2],
              [1, 2, 3, 4, 3],
              [1, 0, 1, 0, 0],
              [2, 3, 0, 0, 2]])
```

# Create a conflict count matrix

n\_row = x.shape[0]

n\_col = x.shape[1]

conflictCnt = np.zeros((n\_col, n\_col))

for i in range(n\_col):

for j in range(i+1, n\_col):

# Count the number of conflicts.

conflictCnt[i, j] = len(np.where(x[:, i] \* x[:, j] > 0)[0])

# Copy upper triangle to lower triangle

# iu = (array([0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 3]),

# array([1, 2, 3, 4, 2, 3, 4, 3, 4]))

iu = np.triu\_indices(n\_col, 1)

il = (iu[1], iu[0])

conflictCnt[il] = conflictCnt[iu]

### Algorithm 3: Greedy Bundling

**Input:** F: features, K: max conflict count

Construct graph G

searchOrder  $\leftarrow$  G.sortByDegree()

bundles  $\leftarrow$  {}, bundlesConflict  $\leftarrow$  {}

**for** i **in** searchOrder **do**

needNew  $\leftarrow$  True

**for** j = 1 **to** len(bundles) **do**

cnt  $\leftarrow$  ConflictCnt(bundles[j], F[i])

**if** cnt + bundlesConflict[j]  $\leq$  K **then**

bundles[j].add(F[i]), needNew  $\leftarrow$  False

bundlesConflict[j] += cnt

break

**if** needNew **then**

Add F[i] as a new bundle to bundles

bundlesConflict.append(0)

**Output:** bundles

	F0	F1	F2	F3	F4
F0		6	2	1	6
F1	6		1	1	6
F2	2	1		3	4
F3	1	1	3		3
F4	6	6	4	3	
$\Sigma$	15	14	10	8	19

# Create a search order matrix

degree = conflictCnt.sum(axis=0)

searchOrder = np.argsort(degree)[::-1] # descending order

K = 1 # max conflict count

bundles, bundlesConflict = [], []

**for** i **in** searchOrder: # i = [4, 0, 1, 2, 3]

needNew = True

**for** j **in** range(len(bundles)):

cnt = conflictCnt[bundles[j][-1], i]

# Only edges less than or equal to K are considered.

**if** cnt + bundlesConflict[j]  $\leq$  K:

# Add the feature number i to the j-th bundle.

bundles[j].append(i)

# Update the number of conflicts of features in the

# j-th bundle.

bundlesConflict[j] += cnt

needNew = False

break

**if** needNew:

bundles.append([i])

bundlesConflict.append(0.)

print('bundles:', bundles)

print('bundlesConflict:', bundlesConflict)

bundles: [[4], [0, 3], [1, 2]]

bundlesConflict: [0.0, 1.0, 1.0]

searchOrder

	F4	F0	F1	F2	F3
$\Sigma$	19	15	14	10	8



## Algorithm 4: Merge Exclusive Features (modified)

**Input:** numData: number of data

**Input:** F: One bundle of exclusive features

binRanges  $\leftarrow$  {0}, totalBin  $\leftarrow$  0

**for** f **in** F **do**

totalBin

binRang

newBin  $\leftarrow$  F

**for** i = 1 **to**

**for** j = 2

**if** F[j]

new

**Output:** new

## Algorithm 4: Merge Exclusive Features

**Input:** numData: number of data

**Input:** F: One bundle of exclusive features

binRanges  $\leftarrow$  {0}, totalBin  $\leftarrow$  0

**for** f **in** F **do**

totalBin += f.numBin

binRanges.append(totalBin)

newBin  $\leftarrow$  new Bin(numData)

**for** i = 1 **to** numData **do**

newBin[i]  $\leftarrow$  0

**for** j = 1 **to** len(F) **do**

**if** F[j].bin[i]  $\neq$  0 **then**

newBin[i]  $\leftarrow$  F[j].bin[i] + binRanges[j]

**Output:** newBin, binRanges

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## Part 4: Merge Exclusive Features

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## ▪ Merge Exclusive Features

### 4 Exclusive Feature Bundling Guolin Ke, et, al., 2017, LightGBM: A Highly Efficient Gradient Boosting Decision Tree

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For the second issues, we need a good way of merging the features in the same bundle in order to reduce the corresponding training complexity. The key is to ensure that the values of the original features can be identified from the feature bundles. Since the histogram-based algorithm stores discrete bins instead of continuous values of the features, we can construct a feature bundle by letting exclusive features reside in different bins. This can be done by adding offsets to the original values of the features. For example, suppose we have two features in a feature bundle. Originally, feature A takes value from [0, 10) and feature B takes value [0, 20). We then add an offset of 10 to the values of feature B so that the refined feature takes values from [10, 30). After that, it is safe to merge features A and B, and use a feature bundle with range [0, 30] to replace the original features A and B. The detailed algorithm is shown in Alg. 4.

#### Algorithm 4: Merge Exclusive Features

**Input:** numData: number of data

**Input:** F: One bundle of exclusive features

binRanges  $\leftarrow$  {0}, totalBin  $\leftarrow$  0

**for** f in F **do**

    totalBin += f.numBin

    binRanges.append(totalBin)

newBin  $\leftarrow$  new Bin(numData)

**for** i = 1 **to** numData **do**

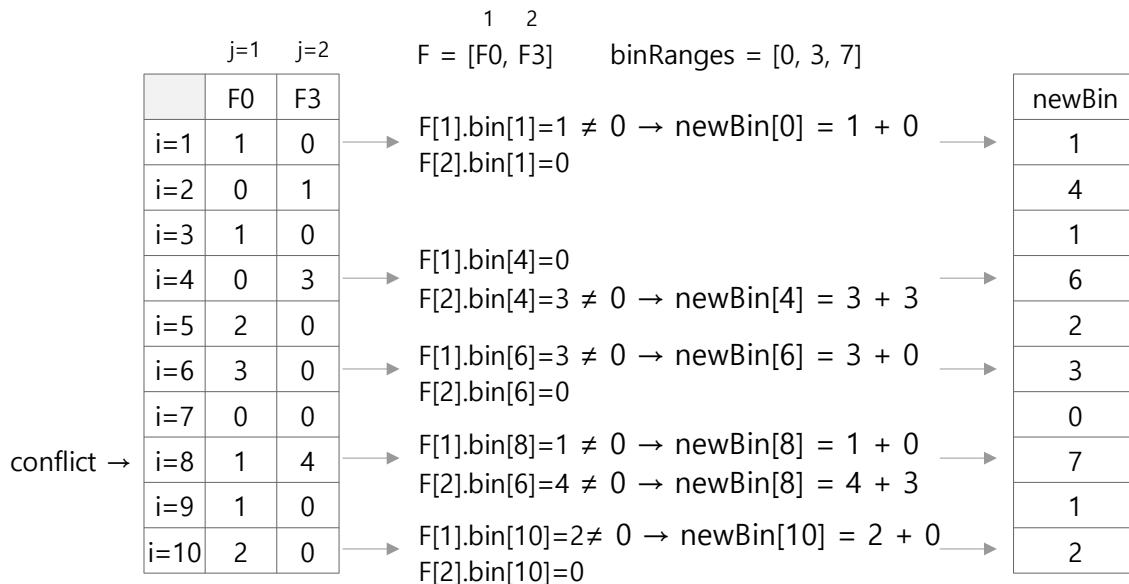
    newBin[i]  $\leftarrow$  0

**for** j = 1 **to** len(F) **do**

**if** F[j].bin[i]  $\neq$  0 **then**

                newBin[i]  $\leftarrow$  F[j].bin[i] + binRanges[j]

**Output:** newBin, binRanges



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## ▪ Merge Exclusive Features (modified: skip-zero-version)

- The computation time can be slightly shortened by modifying Algorithm 4 as follows.
- The previous version initialized newBin to 0, and repeated from  $j=1$ . This version initializes newBin to F0, and repeated from  $j=2$ . This reduces the number of iterations since we can skip the first 0 in binRange = [0, 3, 7].

### Algorithm 4: Merge Exclusive Features (modified)

**Input:** numData: number of data

**Input:** F: One bundle of exclusive features

binRanges  $\leftarrow$  {0}, totalBin  $\leftarrow$  0

**for** f in F **do**

totalBin += f.numBin

binRanges.append(totalBin)

**newBin**  $\leftarrow$  F0 # initialize with F0

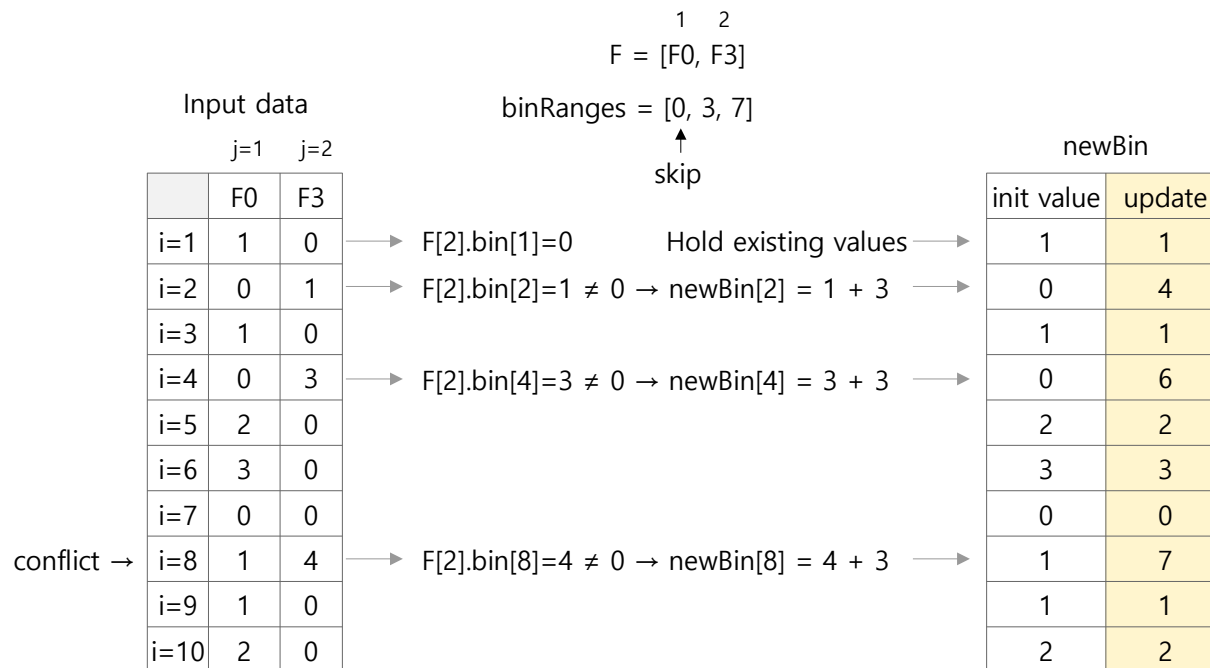
**for** i = 1 **to** numData **do**

**for** j = 2 **to** len(F) **do** # skip zero, binRanges[1]

**if** F[j].bin[i]  $\neq$  0 **then**

newBin[i]  $\leftarrow$  F[j].bin[i] + binRanges[j]

**Output:** newBin, binRanges



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## Implementation of Algorithm 4: Merge Exclusive Features

```
# [MXML-12-04] 4.merge_features.py
# Implementation of Algorithm 4
import numpy as np
```

```
x = np.array([[1, 1, 0, 0, 1],
              [0, 0, 1, 1, 1],
              [1, 2, 0, 0, 2],
              [0, 0, 2, 3, 1],
              [2, 1, 0, 0, 3],
              [3, 3, 0, 0, 1],
              [0, 0, 3, 0, 2],
              [1, 2, 3, 4, 3],
              [1, 0, 1, 0, 0],
              [2, 3, 0, 0, 2]])
```

```
# The result of Greedy Bundling
bundles = [[4], [0, 3], [1, 2]]
```

```
# Algorithm 4: Merge Exclusive Features
def merge_features(numData, F):
    binRanges = [0]
    totalBin = 0
    for f in F:
        totalBin += np.max(f)
        binRanges.append(totalBin)

    newBin = np.zeros(numData, dtype=int)
    for i in range(numData):
        newBin[i] = 0
        for j in range(len(F)):
            if F[j][i] != 0:
                newBin[i] = F[j][i] + binRanges[j]
    return newBin, binRanges
```

**Algorithm 4:** Merge Exclusive Features (modified)

**Input:** numData: number of data  
**Input:** F: One bundle of exclusive features  
 $\text{binRanges} \leftarrow \{0\}$ ,  $\text{totalBin} \leftarrow 0$   
**for**  $f$  **in**  $F$  **do**  
     $\text{totalBin} += f.\text{numBin}$   
     $\text{binRanges.append}(\text{totalBin})$   
 $\text{newBin} \leftarrow F_0$  # initialize with  $F_0$   
**for**  $i = 1$  **to**  $\text{numData}$  **do**  
    **for**  $j = 2$  **to**  $\text{len}(F)$  **do** # skip zero,  $\text{binRanges}[1]$   
        **if**  $F[j].\text{bin}[i] \neq 0$  **then**  
             $\text{newBin}[i] \leftarrow F[j].\text{bin}[i] + \text{binRanges}[j]$   
**Output:** newBin, binRanges

**Algorithm 4:** Merge Exclusive Features

**Input:** numData: number of data  
**Input:** F: One bundle of exclusive features  
 $\text{binRanges} \leftarrow \{0\}$ ,  $\text{totalBin} \leftarrow 0$   
**for**  $f$  **in**  $F$  **do**  
     $\text{totalBin} += f.\text{numBin}$   
     $\text{binRanges.append}(\text{totalBin})$   
 $\text{newBin} \leftarrow \text{new Bin}(\text{numData})$   
**for**  $i = 1$  **to**  $\text{numData}$  **do**  
     $\text{newBin}[i] \leftarrow 0$   
    **for**  $j = 1$  **to**  $\text{len}(F)$  **do**  
        **if**  $F[j].\text{bin}[i] \neq 0$  **then**  
             $\text{newBin}[i] \leftarrow F[j].\text{bin}[i] + \text{binRanges}[j]$   
**Output:** newBin, binRanges

```
# modified Algorithm 4 (skip-zero-version)
def merge_features2(numData, F):
    binRanges = [0]
    totalBin = 0
    for f in F:
        totalBin += np.max(f)
        binRanges.append(totalBin)

    newBin = F[0] # initialize newBin to F[0]
    for i in range(numData):
        for j in range(1, len(F)):
            if F[j][i] != 0:
                newBin[i] = F[j][i] + binRanges[j]
    return newBin, binRanges
```

```
F = [x[:, i] for i in bundles[1]]
newBin, binRanges = merge_features(x.shape[0], F)
print('\nnewBin:', newBin)
print('binRanges:', binRanges)

newBin, binRanges = merge_features2(x.shape[0], F)
print('\nnewBin:', newBin)
print('binRanges:', binRanges)
```

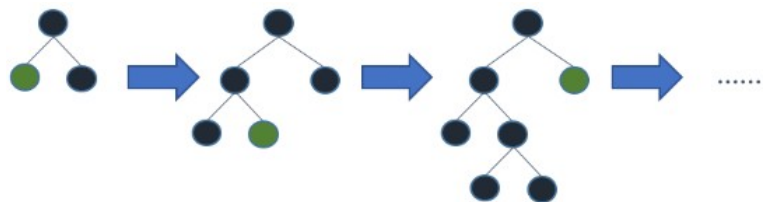
Results:

```
newBin: [1 4 1 6 2 3 0 7 1 2]
binRanges: [0, 3, 7]
```

```
newBin: [1 4 1 6 2 3 0 7 1 2]
binRanges: [0, 3, 7]
```



original feature		one-hot encoding				merged feature				
i	f	i	f0	f1	f2	i	step 1	step 2	step 3	step 4
1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	2	2	1
2	0	2	1	0	0	2	1	1	1	0
3	2	3	0	0	1	3	0	0	3	2
4	1	4	0	1	0	4	0	2	2	1
5	2	5	0	0	1	5	0	0	3	2
6	0	6	1	0	0	6	1	1	1	0
7	0	7	1	0	0	7	1	1	1	0
8	1	8	0	1	0	8	0	2	2	1
9	2	9	0	0	1	9	0	0	3	2
10	1	10	0	1	0	10	0	2	2	1



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### Part 5: Greedy Bundling + Merge Exclusive Features

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## ▪ Merge Exclusive Features – One-hot encoding

- Merging one-hot encoded features allows us to better understand how this algorithm works and what its effects are.
- The merge exclusive features algorithm restores the one-hot encoded features to the original feature.
- One-hot encoded features are 100% mutually exclusive with no conflicts whatsoever. Therefore, they can be perfectly restored to the original feature.
- However, when multiple features are one-hot encoded, individual features are not 100% restored because the Greedy Bundling algorithm is not perfect.
- This is because the Greedy Bundling is an approximate algorithm that finds a reasonably good bundling strategy within polynomial time.

original feature		one-hot encoding				merged feature				
i	f	i	f0	f1	f2	i	step 1	step 2	step 3	step 4
1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	2	2	1
2	0	2	1	0	0	2	1	1	1	0
3	2	3	0	0	1	3	0	0	3	2
4	1	4	0	1	0	4	0	2	2	1
5	2	5	0	0	1	5	0	0	3	2
6	0	6	1	0	0	6	1	1	1	0
7	0	7	1	0	0	7	1	1	1	0
8	1	8	0	1	0	8	0	2	2	1
9	2	9	0	0	1	9	0	0	3	2
10	1	10	0	1	0	10	0	2	2	1

j=1, 2, 3  
 $F = [f_0, f_1, f_2]$        $\text{binRanges} = [0, 1, 2, 3] \leftarrow \text{offsets}$

- step-1 : initialize newBin to f0 values
- step-2 : update newBin using f1 values  
 $f_1.\text{bin} \neq 0, \text{newBin} = f_1.\text{bin} + \text{binRanges}[1]$   
 $f_1.\text{bin} = 0, \text{newBin} = \text{Hold existing values}$
- step-3 : update newBin using f2 values  
 $f_2.\text{bin} \neq 0, \text{newBin} = f_2.\text{bin} + \text{binRanges}[2]$   
 $f_2.\text{bin} = 0, \text{newBin} = \text{Hold existing values}$
- step-4 : newBin = newBin - 1

\* Merged feature values are identical to the original feature values.

## ▪ Implementation of EFB: Greedy Bundling & Merge Exclusive Features

```
# [MXML-12-05] 5.efb_onehot.py
# Merge one-hot encoded features using EFB
import numpy as np
from sklearn.preprocessing import OneHotEncoder

# Algorithm 3: Greedy Bundling
def greedy_bundling(x, K):
    # Create a conflict count matrix
    n_row = x.shape[0]
    n_col = x.shape[1]
    conflictCnt = np.zeros((n_col, n_col))

    for i in range(n_col):
        for j in range(i+1, n_col):
            # Count the number of conflicts.
            conflictCnt[i, j] = len(np.where(x[:, i] * x[:, j] > 0)[0])

    # Copy upper triangle to lower triangle
    iu = np.triu_indices(n_col, 1)
    il = (iu[1], iu[0])
    conflictCnt[il] = conflictCnt[iu]

    # Create a search order matrix
    degree = conflictCnt.sum(axis=0)
    searchOrder = np.argsort(degree)[::-1] # descending order

    bundles = []
    bundlesConflict = []
```

```
        for i in searchOrder:
            needNew = True
            for j in range(len(bundles)):
                cnt = conflictCnt[bundles[j][-1], i]
                if cnt + bundlesConflict[j] <= K:
                    bundles[j].append(i)
                    bundlesConflict[j] += cnt
                    needNew = False
                    break

            if needNew:
                bundles.append([i])
                bundlesConflict.append(0.)
        return bundles

# Algorithm 4: Merge Exclusive Features (skip-zero-version)
def merge_features(numData, F):
    binRanges = [0]
    totalBin = 0
    for f in F:
        totalBin += np.max(f)
        binRanges.append(totalBin)

    newBin = F[0] # initialize newBin to F[0]
    for i in range(numData):
        for j in range(1, len(F)):
            if F[j][i] != 0:
                newBin[i] = F[j][i] + binRanges[j]
    return newBin, binRanges
```

## ▪ Implementation of EFB: Greedy Bundling & Merge Exclusive Features

```
# Generate random data and perform one-hot encoding.
n_samples = 100
n_features = 4
x = np.random.randint(low=0, high=4, size=(n_samples, n_features))
enc = OneHotEncoder()
x_oh = enc.fit_transform(x).toarray()

print('Original features [:5]:'); print(x[:5])
print('\nOne-hot encoding [:5]:'); print(x_oh[:5])

# bundling
bundles = greedy_bundling(x_oh, K=1)

# If we know the bundles exactly, like this,
# bundles = [[0,1,2,3], [4,5,6,7], [8,9,10,11], [12,13,14,15]]
# we can get the original features from the merged features.

print('\nbundles:', bundles)
# [[14, 12, 15, 13], [10, 8, 11, 9], [5, 4, 6, 7], [3, 2, 1, 0]]

# Feature를 병합한다.
x_efb = np.zeros(shape=x.shape).astype('int')
for i, bundle in enumerate(bundles):
    F = [x_oh[:, i] for i in bundle]
    newBin, binRanges = merge_features(x_oh.shape[0], F)
    x_efb[:, i] = np.array(newBin) - 1
```

```
print('\nOriginal features [:5]:'); print(x[:5])
print('\nMerged features [:5]:'); print(x_efb[:5])
```

The result of Greedy Bundling:

```
bundles: [[11,8,9,10], [4,5,6,7], [14,13,12,15], [0,1,2,3]]
```

Original features [:5]:

```
[[3 1 3 1]
 [2 2 0 3]
 [3 1 1 2]
 [0 0 3 0]
 [3 0 3 2]]
```

One-hot encoding [:5]:

```
[[0. 0. 0. 1. 0. 1. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 1. 0. 1. 0. 0.]
 [0. 0. 1. 0. 0. 0. 1. 0. 1. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 1.]
 [0. 0. 0. 1. 0. 1. 0. 0. 0. 1. 0. 0. 0. 0. 1. 0.]
 [1. 0. 0. 0. 1. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 1. 1. 0. 0. 0.]
 [0. 0. 0. 1. 1. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 1. 0. 0. 1. 0.]]
```

Original features [:5]:

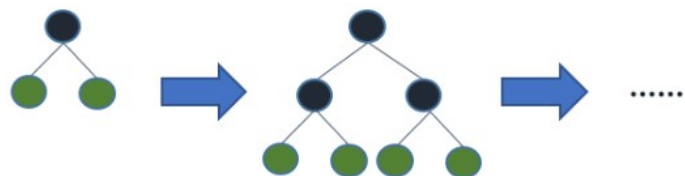
```
[[3 1 3 1]
 [2 2 0 3]
 [3 1 1 2]
 [0 0 3 0]
 [3 0 3 2]]
```

Merged features [:5]:

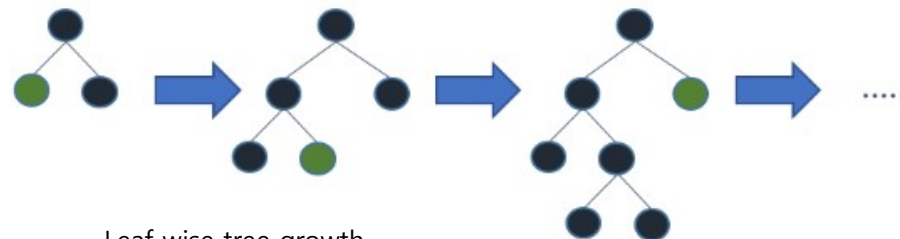
```
[[0 1 1 3]
 [1 2 3 2]
 [2 1 0 3]
 [0 0 2 0]
 [0 0 0 3]]
```

## ▪ Depth-wise vs. Leaf-wise tree growth

- Most decision tree learning algorithms grow trees by level (depth)-wise, as shown in the left picture below.
- LightGBM grows trees leaf-wise (best-first). It will choose the leaf with max delta loss to grow. Holding the number of leaves fixed, leaf-wise algorithms tend to achieve lower loss than level-wise algorithms.
- Leaf-wise method can converge much faster, but can lead to overfitting when the number of data points is small, so LightGBM includes the `max_depth` parameter to limit tree depth. However, trees still grow leaf-wise even when `max_depth` is specified.
- Leaf-wise was proposed by Haijian Shi in 2007 in a paper titled "Best-first decision tree learning."
- XGBoost uses depth-wise tree growth. To use the leaf-wise method in the XGBoost library, use parameter `tree_method = hist`, `grow_policy = lossguide`.



Level-wise tree growth



Leaf-wise tree growth

\* Source: <https://lightgbm.readthedocs.io/en/v4.3.0/Features.html>

## ▪ Santander Customer Transaction Prediction using XGBoost and LightGBM

```
# [MXML-12-05] 6.santander.py
import pandas as pd
from lightgbm import LGBMClassifier
from xgboost import XGBClassifier
from sklearn.metrics import roc_auc_score, roc_curve
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import time

# Read the Santander Customer Satisfaction Dataset.
# df.shape = (76020, 371)
df = pd.read_csv("data/santander.csv", encoding='latin-1')

# Replace the values of the 'var3' feature containing -99999999
# with 2 and drop the 'ID' feature.
df['var3'].replace(-999999, 2, inplace=True)
df.drop('ID', axis = 1, inplace=True)

# Separate features and label from the dataset
# and generate training and test data.
x_feat = df.drop('TARGET', axis=1)
y_target = df['TARGET']
x_train, x_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(x_feat,
                                                    y_target)

# 1. XGBoost
# Create an XGBoost model and fit it to the training data
start_time = time.time()
```

```
model = XGBClassifier(n_estimators = 200,
                      max_depth = 5,
                      learning_rate = 0.1,      #  $\eta$ 
                      gamma = 0.1,            #  $\gamma$  for pruning
                      reg_lambda = 1.0,        #  $\lambda$  for regularization
                      base_score = 0.5,        # initial prediction value
                      subsample = 0.5,         # Subsample ratio of the
                                              # training instance
                      colsample_bynode = 0.5,  # Subsample ratio of
                                              # columns for each split
                      max_bin = int(1/0.03),   #  $\epsilon = 0.03$ , bins = 33
                      tree_method = 'approx')  # weighted quantile sketch

# training
model.fit(x_train, y_train)

# Predict the test data and measure the performance with ROC-AUC.
y_prob = model.predict_proba(x_test)[: , 1]
auc = roc_auc_score(y_test, y_prob)

print('\nXGBoost results:')
print('running time = {:.2f} seconds'.format(time.time() -
start_time))
print('ROC-AUC = {:.4f}'.format(auc))
```

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## # 2. LightGBM

### # Create a LightGBM model

```
start_time = time.time()
model = LGBMClassifier(n_estimators = 200,
                      max_depth = 5,
                      learning_rate = 0.1,
                      boosting_type="goss", # default: gbd - traditional
                                           # gradient based decision tree

                      top_rate=0.3,
                      other_rate=0.2,
                      enable_bundle=True, # default: True. enable EFB
                      is_unbalance = True)
```

### # training

```
model.fit(x_train, y_train)
```

### # Predict the test data and measure the performance with AUC.

```
y_pred = model.predict_proba(x_test)[: , 1]
auc = roc_auc_score(y_test, y_pred)
```

```
print('\nLightGBM results:')
print('running time = {:.2f} seconds'.format(time.time() -
start_time))
print("ROC AUC = {:.4f}".format(auc))
```

### # Draw the ROC curve

```
fprs, tprs, thresholds = roc_curve(y_test, y_pred)
```

```
plt.plot(fprs, tprs, label = 'ROC')
plt.plot([0,1], [0,1], '--', label = 'Random')
plt.legend()
plt.xlabel('FPR')
plt.ylabel('TPR')
plt.show()
```

### XGBoost results:

running time = 5.44 seconds

ROC-AUC = 0.8421

### LightGBM results:

running time = 0.63 seconds

ROC AUC = 0.8316

