

## **Decision Trees**

Estimated time needed: 15 minutes

# **Objectives**

After completing this lab you will be able to:

• Develop a classification model using Decision Tree Algorithm

In this lab exercise, you will learn a popular machine learning algorithm, Decision Trees. You will use this classification algorithm to build a model from the historical data of patients, and their response to different medications. Then you will use the trained decision tree to predict the class of an unknown patient, or to find a proper drug for a new patient.

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Import the Following Libraries:

- numpy (as np)
- pandas
- DecisionTreeClassifier from sklearn.tree

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```
import piplite
    await piplite.install(['pandas'])
```

```
await piplite.install(['matplotlib'])
         await piplite.install(['numpy'])
         await piplite.install(['scikit-learn'])
In [7]:
         import numpy as np
         import pandas as pd
         from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
         import sklearn.tree as tree
In [3]:
         from pyodide.http import pyfetch
         async def download(url, filename):
             response = await pyfetch(url)
             if response.status == 200:
                 with open(filename, "wb") as f:
                     f.write(await response.bytes())
```

#### About the dataset

Imagine that you are a medical researcher compiling data for a study. You have collected data about a set of patients, all of whom suffered from the same illness. During their course of treatment, each patient responded to one of 5 medications, Drug A, Drug B, Drug c, Drug x and y.

Part of your job is to build a model to find out which drug might be appropriate for a future patient with the same illness. The features of this dataset are Age, Sex, Blood Pressure, and the Cholesterol of the patients, and the target is the drug that each patient responded to.

It is a sample of multiclass classifier, and you can use the training part of the dataset to build a decision tree, and then use it to predict the class of an unknown patient, or to prescribe a drug to a new patient.

## **Downloading the Data**

To download the data, we will use !wget to download it from IBM Object Storage.

```
In [4]:
         path= 'https://cf-courses-data.s3.us.cloud-object-storage.appdomain.cloud/IBMDeveloperS
         await download(path, "drug200.csv")
         path="drug200.csv"
```

Now, read the data using pandas dataframe:

```
In [9]:
         my_data = pd.read_csv("drug200.csv", delimiter=",")
         my_data[0:5]
Out[9]:
                          BP Cholesterol Na to K Drug
           Age Sex
```

25.355 drugY

```
HIGH
```

HIGH

0

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	Age	Sex	ВР	Cholesterol	Na_to_K	Drug
1	47	М	LOW	HIGH	13.093	drugC
2	2 47	М	LOW	HIGH	10.114	drugC
3	28	F	NORMAL	HIGH	7.798	drugX
4	<b>L</b> 61	F	LOW	HIGH	18.043	drugY

#### **Practice**

What is the size of data?

```
In [11]: my_data.shape

Out[11]: (200, 6)
```

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# **Pre-processing**

Using my\_data as the Drug.csv data read by pandas, declare the following variables:

- **X** as the **Feature Matrix** (data of my\_data)
- **y** as the **response vector** (target)

Remove the column containing the target name since it doesn't contain numeric values.

As you may figure out, some features in this dataset are categorical, such as Sex or BP.

Unfortunately, Sklearn Decision Trees does not handle categorical variables. We can still convert these features to numerical values using **LabelEncoder** to convert the categorical variable into numerical variables.

```
In [13]:
    from sklearn import preprocessing
le_sex = preprocessing.LabelEncoder()
le_sex.fit(['F','M'])
    X[:,1] = le_sex.transform(X[:,1])

le_BP = preprocessing.LabelEncoder()
le_BP.fit([ 'LOW', 'NORMAL', 'HIGH'])
    X[:,2] = le_BP.transform(X[:,2])

le_Chol = preprocessing.LabelEncoder()
```

```
le_Chol.fit([ 'NORMAL', 'HIGH'])
X[:,3] = le_Chol.transform(X[:,3])
X[0:5]
```

Now we can fill the target variable.

## Setting up the Decision Tree

We will be using **train/test split** on our **decision tree**. Let's import **train\_test\_split** from **sklearn.cross validation**.

```
In [15]: from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
```

Now **train test split** will return 4 different parameters. We will name them:

X\_trainset, X\_testset, y\_trainset, y\_testset

The **train\_test\_split** will need the parameters:

X, y, test\_size=0.3, and random\_state=3.

The **X** and **y** are the arrays required before the split, the **test\_size** represents the ratio of the testing dataset, and the **random\_state** ensures that we obtain the same splits.

```
In [16]: X_trainset, X_testset, y_trainset, y_testset = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.3, ra
```

#### **Practice**

Print the shape of X\_trainset and y\_trainset. Ensure that the dimensions match.

```
print(X_trainset.shape)
print(y_trainset.shape)
print('Shape of X training set {}'.format(X_trainset.shape),'&',' Size of Y training set
```

```
(140, 5)
(140,)
Shape of X training set (140, 5) & Size of Y training set (140,)
```

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Print the shape of X\_testset and y\_testset. Ensure that the dimensions match.

### Modeling

We will first create an instance of the **DecisionTreeClassifier** called **drugTree**.

Inside of the classifier, specify *criterion*="entropy" so we can see the information gain of each node.

Next, we will fit the data with the training feature matrix **X\_trainset** and training response vector **y trainset** 

### **Prediction**

Let's make some **predictions** on the testing dataset and store it into a variable called **predTree**.

```
In [27]: predTree = drugTree.predict(X_testset)
```

You can print out **predTree** and **y\_testset** if you want to visually compare the predictions to the actual values.

```
In [28]:
    print (predTree [0:5])
    print (y_testset [0:5])

['drugY' 'drugX' 'drugX' 'drugX']
    40     drugY
    51     drugX
    139     drugX
    197     drugX
    197     drugX
    Name: Drug, dtype: object
```

#### **Evaluation**

Next, let's import **metrics** from sklearn and check the accuracy of our model.

```
from sklearn import metrics
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
print("DecisionTrees's Accuracy: ", metrics.accuracy_score(y_testset, predTree))
```

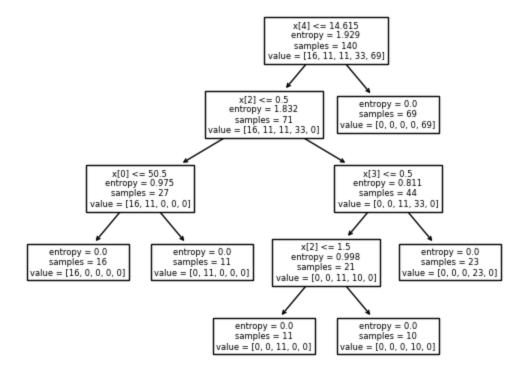
**Accuracy classification score** computes subset accuracy: the set of labels predicted for a sample must exactly match the corresponding set of labels in y\_true.

In multilabel classification, the function returns the subset accuracy. If the entire set of predicted labels for a sample strictly matches with the true set of labels, then the subset accuracy is 1.0; otherwise it is 0.0.

### Visualization

Let's visualize the tree

```
In [30]: # Notice: You might need to uncomment and install the pydotplus and graphviz libraries
#!conda install -c conda-forge pydotplus -y
#!conda install -c conda-forge python-graphviz -y
In [31]: tree.plot_tree(drugTree)
plt.show()
```



### Thank you for completing this lab!

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