# Report ID3

# Advantages and Disadvantages of your own program vs

#### Weka

The advantages of using your own program are very clear:

- As the author you are able to understand every single detail of the implementation,
   which may give you insights into why some results are occurring.
- If a mistake is found in the way the program works, with direct access to the code a fix can be implemented immediately, contrary to a proprietary tool, where you have to submit a bug report to the developer and wait until he fixes the code.
- There are no licensing issues when using your own code in commercial applications.
- Access to the entire code base, allows you to custom set the implementation for the specific requirements of the environment the tool is going to be used.
- A code based tool is easier to integrate in a server environment, compared with a gui based tool.

On the other hand the disadvantages are the following

 An implementation like the one we just made might have bugs that haven't been found, due to limited testing.

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- Commercial tools often have a lot of optimizations in order to provide the best performance possible, something that our naive implementation can't compete with.
- Weka has a lot more options for manipulating and using the data, from changing the algorithm used, to having a lot of tools for dealing with data.
  - You can be reassured of the fact that the tool works properly.
  - A lot more insight into the resulting tree, and the way it is structured.
  - Integrated testing suite, in weka.
  - Package manager in weka, that allows you to expand its functionality.

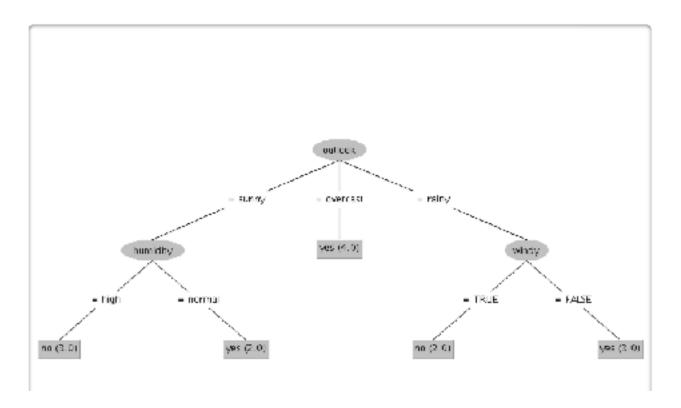
#### Criteria Followed for Datasets

The dataset of cars was chosen due to the following characteristics:

- It was a data-set for a classification problem, something that decision trees excel at.
- The data was purely categorical, something that was crucial for the formation of our own decision tree, because our parser and implementation can only handle discrete values.
- The number of attributes was small, compared to the number of labeled input vectors.
- The input vectors, where relatively easy to clean regarding their discrepancies with their descriptions.

# Graphics

#### Case 1



As we can see in this first example, both decision trees are exactly the same, and provide the same answers.

#### Case 2

In a more complex example such as the car classification, it is obvious that the Weka implementation is superior since the resulting tree is much shorter than the output of our program. This is because the use of better algorithms in this case J48 in the case of Weka, wich is an improvement and extension over the common ID3, we are using.

See the end of the document for the full trees

# Where would you use decision trees?

I would mainly use them in the following scenarios, in the cases where a classification needs to be made, and the most influential factors in the final decision are well understood, and the decision tree is used only to optimize on top of those key metrics.

### Full Tree Weka - J48 pruned tree

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safety = low: unacc (576.0)
safety = med
| persons = 2: unacc (192.0)
| persons = 4
| buying = vhigh
| maint = vhigh: unacc (12.0)
| maint = high: unacc (12.0)
| maint = med
| lug_boot = small: unacc (4.0)
| lug_boot = big: acc (4.0)
| maint = low
| lug_boot = small: unacc (4.0)
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lug\_boot = med: unacc (4.0/2.0)
            lug\_boot = big: acc (4.0)
    buying = high
        lug_boot = small: unacc (16.0)
        lug boot = med
            doors = 2: unacc (4.0)
            doors = 3: unacc (4.0)
            doors = 4: acc (4.0/1.0)
            doors = 5more: acc (4.0/1.0)
        lug boot = big
            maint = vhigh: unacc (4.0)
            maint = high: acc (4.0)
            maint = med: acc (4.0)
            maint = low: acc (4.0)
    buying = med
        maint = vhigh
            lug_boot = small: unacc (4.0)
            lug\_boot = med: unacc (4.0/2.0)
            lug_boot = big: acc (4.0)
        maint = high
            lug_boot = small: unacc (4.0)
            lug\_boot = med: unacc (4.0/2.0)
            lug boot = big: acc (4.0)
        maint = med: acc (12.0)
        maint = low
            lug_boot = small: acc (4.0)
            lug\_boot = med: acc (4.0/2.0)
            lug_boot = big: good (4.0)
    buying = low
        maint = vhigh
            lug_boot = small: unacc (4.0)
            lug\_boot = med: unacc (4.0/2.0)
            lug boot = big: acc (4.0)
        maint = high: acc (12.0)
        maint = med
            lug boot = small: acc (4.0)
            lug\_boot = med: acc (4.0/2.0)
            lug_boot = big: good (4.0)
        maint = low
            lug boot = small: acc (4.0)
            lug\_boot = med: acc (4.0/2.0)
            lug_boot = big: good (4.0)
persons = more
    lug_boot = small
        buying = vhigh: unacc (16.0)
        buying = high: unacc (16.0)
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buying = med
        maint = vhigh: unacc (4.0)
        maint = high: unacc (4.0)
       maint = med: acc (4.0/1.0)
       maint = low: acc (4.0/1.0)
    buying = low
       maint = vhigh: unacc (4.0)
       maint = high: acc (4.0/1.0)
       maint = med: acc (4.0/1.0)
       maint = low: acc (4.0/1.0)
lug\_boot = med
    buying = vhigh
       maint = vhigh: unacc (4.0)
       maint = high: unacc (4.0)
       maint = med: acc (4.0/1.0)
       maint = low: acc (4.0/1.0)
    buying = high
       maint = vhigh: unacc (4.0)
       maint = high: acc (4.0/1.0)
       maint = med: acc (4.0/1.0)
       maint = low: acc (4.0/1.0)
    buying = med: acc (16.0/5.0)
    buying = low
        maint = vhigh: acc (4.0/1.0)
       maint = high: acc (4.0)
       maint = med: good(4.0/1.0)
       maint = low: good(4.0/1.0)
lug boot = big
    buying = vhigh
       maint = vhigh: unacc (4.0)
        maint = high: unacc (4.0)
       maint = med: acc (4.0)
       maint = low: acc (4.0)
    buying = high
       maint = vhigh: unacc (4.0)
       maint = high: acc (4.0)
       maint = med: acc (4.0)
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    buying = med
       maint = vhigh: acc (4.0)
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       maint = med: acc (4.0)
       maint = low: good (4.0)
    buying = low
        maint = vhigh: acc (4.0)
       maint = high: acc (4.0)
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maint = med: good (4.0)
                maint = low: good (4.0)
        safety = high
    persons = 2: unacc (192.0)
    persons = 4
        buying = vhigh
            maint = vhigh: unacc (12.0)
            maint = high: unacc (12.0)
            maint = med: acc (12.0)
            maint = low: acc (12.0)
        buying = high
            maint = vhigh: unacc (12.0)
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            maint = vhigh: acc (12.0)
            maint = high: acc (12.0)
            maint = med
                lug boot = small: acc (4.0)
                lug_boot = med: acc (4.0/2.0)
                lug_boot = big: vgood (4.0)
            maint = low
                lug_boot = small: good (4.0)
                lug boot = med: vgood (4.0/2.0)
                lug_boot = big: vgood (4.0)
        buying = low
            maint = vhigh: acc (12.0)
            maint = high
                lug boot = small: acc (4.0)
                lug\_boot = med: acc (4.0/2.0)
                lug_boot = big: vgood (4.0)
            maint = med
                lug_boot = small: good (4.0)
                lug boot = med: vgood (4.0/2.0)
                lug_boot = big: vgood (4.0)
            maint = low
                lug boot = small: good (4.0)
                lug\_boot = med: vgood (4.0/2.0)
                lug boot = big: vgood (4.0)
    persons = more
        buying = vhigh
            maint = vhigh: unacc (12.0)
            maint = high: unacc (12.0)
            maint = med: acc (12.0/1.0)
            maint = low: acc (12.0/1.0)
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buying = high
   maint = vhigh: unacc (12.0)
   maint = high: acc (12.0/1.0)
   maint = med: acc (12.0/1.0)
   maint = low: acc (12.0/1.0)
buying = med
   maint = vhigh: acc (12.0/1.0)
   maint = high: acc (12.0/1.0)
   maint = med
        lug boot = small: acc (4.0/1.0)
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buying = low
   maint = vhigh: acc (12.0/1.0)
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        lug boot = small: acc (4.0/1.0)
        lug\_boot = med: vgood (4.0/1.0)
        lug_boot = big: vgood (4.0)
   maint = med
        lug\_boot = small: good (4.0/1.0)
        lug boot = med: vgood (4.0/1.0)
        lug_boot = big: vgood (4.0)
   maint = low
        lug boot = small: good (4.0/1.0)
        lug\_boot = med: vgood (4.0/1.0)
        lug boot = big: vgood (4.0)
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# Own Implementation of ID3

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safety: low
  ANSWER: unacc
safety: med
  persons: 2
   ANSWER: unacc
  persons: 4
   buying: vhigh
      maint: vhigh
      ANSWER: unacc
  maint: high
      ANSWER: unacc
  maint: med
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