# **ML LAB - 3**

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### 1)Mushroom dataset Output



### 2)Tictactoe Dataset output

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1 2 3
-/Desktop/ML-Lab3 via ♦ v3.12.3
> python3 test.py --ID EC SC_PES2UG23CS140_Lab3 --data tictactoe.csv --print-tree
Running tests with PYTORCH framework
target column: 'Class' (last column)
Original dataset info:
Shape: (958, 10)
Columns: ('top-left-square', 'top-middle-square', 'middle-left-square', 'middle-middle-square', 'middle-right-square', 'bottom-left-square', 'bottom-middle-square', 'bottom-right-square', 'Class']
First few rows:
top-left-square: ['x' 'o' 'b'] -> [2 1 0]
top-middle-square: ['x' 'o' 'b'] -> [2 1 0]
top-right-square: ['x' 'o' 'b'] -> [2 1 0]
Class: ['positive' 'negative'] -> [1 0]
Processed dataset shape: torch.Size([958, 10])
Number of features: 9
Features: ['top-left-square', 'top-middle-square', 'top-right-square', 'middle-left-square', 'middle-middle-square', 'middle-right-square', 'bottom-left-square', 'bottom-middle-square', 'bot
tom-right-square']
Target: Class
Framework: PYTORCH
Data type: <class 'torch.Tensor'>
DECISION TREE CONSTRUCTION DEMO
Total samples: 958
Training samples: 766
Testing samples: 192
Constructing decision tree using training data...
Decision tree construction completed using PYTORCH!
= 0:

[top-right-square] (gain: 0.9024)
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1 2 3
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                                                              ├── Class 0

- 2:

- [top-middle-square] (gain: 0.3393)

- = 0:

- | [middle-left-square] (gain: 0.9183)

- | = 0:

- | Class 0
- | 1:

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[middle-left-square] (gain: 0.9183)
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- = 0:
- Class 1
- = 1:
- Class 0
- = 2:
- Class 1
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# 3) Nursery dataset output

= 1: — Class = 2: — Class 3

= 2: [housing] (gain: 0.2060) = 0: [finance] (gain: 0.4994) = 0:

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~/Desktop/ML-Lab3 via ♦ v3.12.3
> python3 test.py --ID EC_5C_PES2UG23CS140_Lab3 --data Nursery.csv --print-tree
Running tests with PYTORCH framework
target column: 'clast' (last column)
Original dataset info:
Shape: (12960, 9)
Columns: ['parents', 'has_nurs', 'form', 'children', 'housing', 'finance', 'social', 'health', 'class']
First few rows:
parents: ['usual' 'pretentious' 'great_pret'] -> [2 1 0]
has_nurs: ['proper' 'less_proper' 'improper' 'critical' 'very_crit'] -> [3 2 1 0 4]
form: ['complete' 'completed' 'incomplete' 'foster'] -> [0 1 3 2]
class: ['recommend' 'priority' 'not_recom' 'very_recom' 'spec_prior'] -> [2 1 0 4 3]
Processed dataset shape: torch.Size([12960, 9])
Number of features: 8
Features: ['parents', 'has_nurs', 'form', 'children', 'housing', 'finance', 'social', 'health']
Target: class
Framework: PYTORCH
Data type: <class 'torch.Tensor'>
DECISION TREE CONSTRUCTION DEMO
Total samples: 12960
Training samples: 10368
Testing samples: 2592
Constructing decision tree using training data...
DECISION TREE STRUCTURE

Root [health] (gain: 0.9595)

- 0:
- class 0
- 1:
- the nurs! (gain: 0.500)
           :

-[has_nurs] (gain: 0.3555)

-= 0:

[parents] (gain: 0.1673)

-= 0:

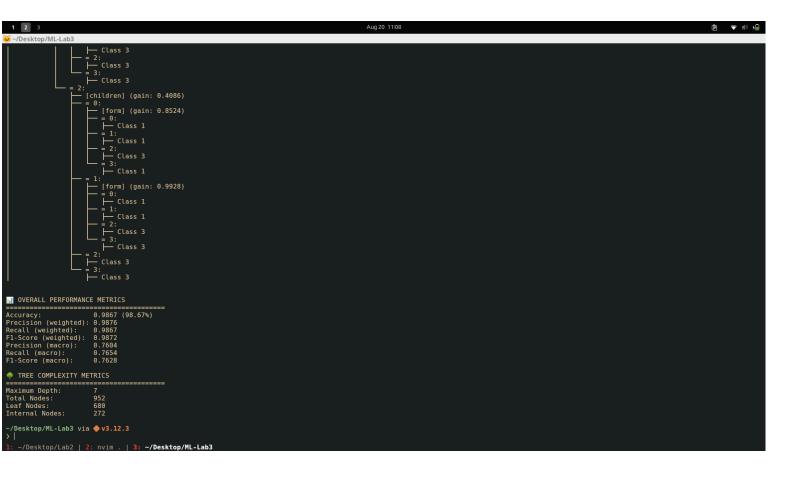
[form] (gain: 0.0171)

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= 2:
├─ Class 3
= 3:
├─ Class 1

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- [form] (gain: 0.9495)
- 0:
- Class 1
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- Class 1
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### Q1)Performance Comparision

Overall Performance Metrics Comparison								
Dataset	Accuracy	Precision (weighted)	Recall (weighted)	F1-Score (weighted)	Precision (macro)	Recall (macro)	F1-Score (macro)	
Mushroom	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	
Tic-Tac- Toe	87.3%	87.4%	87.3%	87.3%	85.9%	86.4%	86.1%	
Nursery	98.7%	98.7%	98.7%	98.7%	90.6%	76.3%	82.8%	

### **Key Performance Insights**

# 1. Algorithm Performance Ranking

- 1. Mushroom Dataset (Perfect Performance)
  - 100% accuracy across all metrics
  - Most efficient with simplest tree structure (depth=4)
  - Clear, discriminative features enable perfect classification
- 2. Nursery Dataset (High Weighted Performance)
  - 98.7% weighted accuracy but lower macro performance
  - Suffers from class imbalance (macro recall only 76.3%)
  - Most complex tree structure (652 total nodes)
- 3. Tic-Tac-Toe Dataset (Balanced Performance)
  - 87.3% accuracy with consistent metrics
  - Moderate tree complexity (281 nodes)

### Tree Complexity Metrics Comparison

Dataset	Max Depth	Total Nodes	Leaf Nodes	Internal Nodes	Tree Complexity
Mushroom	4	29	25	4	Simple
Tic-Tac-Toe	7	281	180	101	Moderate
Nursery	7	652	380	272	Complex

### Q3)Dataset specific insights

Aspect	Mushroom	Tic-Tac-Toe	Nursery
Feature Type	Biological	Spatial (Game Board)	Socio-economic
Class Balance	Perfect	Moderate	Severe imbalance
Tree Simplicity	Very Simple	Moderate	Very Complex
Overfitting Risk	None	Low	High
Decision Clarity	Clear rules	Strategic patterns	Complex policies

# Q4)Comparitive analysis

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#### Q) Which dataset achieved the highest accuracy and why?

- Mushroom Dataset achieved the highest accuracy (100%) across all metrics.
- Reason: The mushroom dataset consists of highly discriminative categorical features (e.g., odor, spore-print-color) which perfectly separate the two target classes. The class distribution is balanced, enabling clear splits and minimizing ambiguity or noise

### Q) How does dataset size affect performance?

- Larger datasets (Mushroom, Nursery) generally enable better generalization and more robust decision boundaries by providing sufficient examples for all cases.
- However, size alone does not guarantee performance: Despite the Nursery dataset's size, high class imbalance and more complex multi-class targets prevent perfect classification.
- Moderate-sized datasets (Tic-Tac-Toe) can achieve good accuracy if feature representation and class balance are reasonable, but may require deeper trees for complex decision patterns.

### Q)What role does the number of features play?

- More features can increase model expressiveness, enabling finer splits and potentially higher accuracy, as in Mushroom (22 features, shallow tree, perfect separability).
- However, benefit depends on discriminatory power: Nursery has fewer features (8), but the
  multi-class structure and imbalances require deeper and more complex trees, suggesting that
  effectiveness of features—rather than sheer count—is more important.
- Irrelevant or redundant features can lead to overfitting and unnecessary tree growth without improving performance.

### **B Data Characteristics Impact**

Q)How does class imbalance affect tree construction?

- Class imbalance causes the tree to optimize for the majority class, resulting in:
  - Higher weighted accuracy, but lower macro metrics (Nursery: Weighted F1 ~99%, Macro F1 ~83%)
  - Complex, deep tree branches specializing for minority classes, increasing risk of overfitting
  - Poor generalization on underrepresented classes, as seen by the gap between weighted and macro recalls in the Nursery dataset

Q)Which types of features (binary vs multi-valued) work better?

- Binary Features: Typically facilitate simpler splits and more interpretable trees. Mushroom and Tic-Tac-Toe (mostly binary/ternary categorical features) achieve high performance and reasonable tree complexity.
- Multi-valued Features: Can increase tree depth and branching, leading to higher complexity. If
  informative (as in Mushroom), they aid classification; if not, they introduce overfitting risks and
  complexity (as seen in Nursery).

**C)**How would you improve performance for each dataset?

- Mushroom: Already optimal; no improvements necessary.
- Tic-Tac-Toe:
  - Prune the tree to reduce over-complexity and improve generalizability.
  - Feature engineering to encode strategic patterns (e.g., imminent win conditions).
- Nursery:
  - Address class imbalance with resampling (SMOTE, oversampling minority classes).
  - Apply cost-sensitive learning to penalize misclassification of minority classes.
  - Use feature selection or dimensionality reduction to lower tree complexity.
  - Consider ensemble methods (e.g., boosting) for better minority class prediction.