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Overview: Predicting Income Levels using Decision Trees and Random Forest Classifier

This report focuses on predicting income levels using the census-income dataset obtained from the US Census Bureau. The dataset contains information on 48,842 individuals and includes 14 attributes for each person, such as age, workclass, education, marital-status, occupation, and more. The objective is to classify whether a person's salary is greater than 50K or less than or equal to 50K based on the given attribute values.

The report addresses several key tasks and techniques:

Handling Missing Values: The dataset contains missing values for some attributes and data tuples. Appropriate techniques for handling missing values should be applied to ensure accurate analysis and prediction.

Discretization of Continuous Attributes: Among the 14 features, some attributes are continuous variables. If necessary, appropriate techniques should be employed to discretize these attributes, transforming them into categorical variables that can be effectively used for decision tree construction.

Constructing an Optimal-Sized Decision Tree: The primary task is to construct an optimal-sized decision tree for predicting income levels. The "Reduced Error Pruning" technique learned in class is to be applied to obtain the optimal decision tree. A graph depicting the number of vertices vs. error for the training data, validation data, and testing data should be included. The validation dataset should be 50% of the testing dataset, and the remaining 50% should be used for testing.

Decision Tree Building with Combined Training and Testing Data: The report also requires combining the training and testing data points. Randomly selecting 67% of the data points as the training dataset and using the remaining points as the testing dataset, a decision tree should be built using the same procedure as in step (iii).

Comparison of Decision Trees: The report requires a comparison between the optimal decision tree obtained in step (iii) and the decision tree built in step (iv). It should be determined whether the two decision

trees are the same or not, and a justification for the observation should be provided.

Interpretability of Decision Trees: The rules derived from the decision tree should be documented, and it should be commented whether these rules are intuitive or not. This step aims to evaluate the interpretability of the decision tree model.

Construction of Random Forest Classifier: A Random Forest classifier should be constructed using the census-income dataset. The results obtained from the Random Forest classifier should be compared with the decision trees obtained in steps (iii) and (iv).

Tech Stack Used:

Python, Jupyter Notebook

Pandas, Numpy, GaussianNB, LogisticRegression, TensorFlow and Sklearn library.

(A) Handling Missing Values:

The initial objective entailed identifying and addressing the absence of values within the dataset. Specifically, approximately 4500 values were found to be missing out of a total of 42000 data points.

To facilitate the transformation of the data for the report, we converted the comma-separated values from a Word file to a CSV file. To accomplish this task, we sought assistance from Excel. Initially, we transferred the values to an Excel spreadsheet, creating a structured table. Subsequently, we uploaded the entire sheet to Jupyter and employed the pandas library to fill the gaps in the data with the mode of each respective column.

```
In [1]: import pandas as pd
import os
import joblib as jb
import sklearn
import pydotplus
```

```
In [2]: from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder
```

```
In [35]: data=pd.read_excel('Combined.xlsx')
```

```
In [36]: data.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 48842 entries, 0 to 48841
Data columns (total 15 columns):
#   Column                Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   Age                   48842 non-null  int64
1   Workclass             48842 non-null  object
2   Fnlwgt                48842 non-null  int64
3   Education             48842 non-null  object
4   EducationNum          48842 non-null  int64
5   MaritalStatus         48842 non-null  object
6   Occupation            48842 non-null  object
7   Relationship          48842 non-null  object
8   Race                  48842 non-null  object
9   Sex                   48842 non-null  object
10  CapitalGain           48842 non-null  int64
11  CapitalLoss           48842 non-null  int64
12  HoursPerWeek          48842 non-null  int64
13  NativeCountry         48842 non-null  object
14  Class                 48842 non-null  object
dtypes: int64(6), object(9)
memory usage: 5.6+ MB
```

```
In [45]: data['Workclass'].value_counts()
```

```
Out[45]: Private          33906  
Self-emp-not-inc        3862  
Local-gov              3136  
?                      2799  
State-gov              1981  
Self-emp-inc           1695  
Federal-gov            1432  
Without-pay            21  
Never-worked            10  
Name: Workclass, dtype: int64
```

```
In [46]: data['Workclass'] = data['Workclass'].str.strip().replace('?', 'Private')
```

```
In [47]: data['Workclass'].value_counts()
```

```
Out[47]: Private          36705  
Self-emp-not-inc        3862  
Local-gov              3136  
State-gov              1981  
Self-emp-inc           1695  
Federal-gov            1432  
Without-pay            21  
Never-worked            10  
Name: Workclass, dtype: int64
```

```
In [11]: data['Occupation'].value_counts()
```

```
Out[11]: Prof-specialty    6172  
Craft-repair              6112  
Exec-managerial           6086  
Adm-clerical              5611  
Sales                     5504  
Other-service             4923  
Machine-op-inspct         3022  
?                          2809  
Transport-moving          2355  
Handlers-cleaners         2072  
Farming-fishing           1490  
Tech-support              1446  
Protective-serv           983  
Priv-house-serv           242  
Armed-Forces              15  
Name: Occupation, dtype: int64
```

```
In [50]: data['Occupation'] = data['Occupation'].str.strip().replace('?', 'Prof-specialty')  
data['Occupation'].value_counts()
```

```
Out[50]: Prof-specialty    8981  
Craft-repair              6112  
Exec-managerial           6086  
Adm-clerical              5611  
Sales                     5504  
Other-service             4923  
Machine-op-inspct         3022  
Transport-moving          2355  
Handlers-cleaners         2072  
Farming-fishing           1490  
Tech-support              1446  
Protective-serv           983  
Priv-house-serv           242  
Armed-Forces              15  
Name: Occupation, dtype: int64
```

(B) Discretization of Continuous Attributes:

Among the 14 features present in the dataset, six were found to be continuous variables. However, one of these features had minimal impact on our data analysis. Specifically, the "Age" feature was categorized into four groups: child, young adult, and senior citizen, spanning a range from 0 to 100. To ensure compatibility with decision tree algorithms, which rely solely on numeric values, we transformed these categorical values into numeric equivalents.

To accomplish this conversion, we utilized the label encoder functionality from the "preprocessing" module within the "sklearn" library. By employing this approach, we successfully converted the text-based features into numeric representations. Subsequently, we exported the modified dataset into a new Excel sheet, thus obtaining the final version of our data for further analysis.

```
In [59]: data["Age-Category"] = pd.cut(data.Age, bins=[0,20,40,60,120], labels=["Child", "Young", "Adult", "Senior-citizen"])
data
```

```
In [62]: data["FnlwgtCategory"] = pd.cut(data.Fnlwgt, bins=[-1,100000,500000,1000000,1500000], labels=["<100000", "100000-500000", "500000-1000000", "1000000-1500000", ">1500000"])
data
```

Out[62]:

	Workclass	Education	EducationNum	MaritalStatus	Occupation	Relationship	Race	Sex	CapitalGain	CapitalLoss	HoursPerWeek	NativeCountry
0	State-gov	Bachelors	13	Never-married	Adm-clerical	Not-in-family	White	Male	2174	0	40	United-States
1	Self-emp-not-inc	Bachelors	13	Married-civ-spouse	Exec-managerial	Husband	White	Male	0	0	13	United-States
2	Private	HS-grad	9	Divorced	Handlers-cleaners	Not-in-family	White	Male	0	0	40	United-States
3	Private	11th	7	Married-civ-spouse	Handlers-cleaners	Husband	Black	Male	0	0	40	United-States
4	Private	Bachelors	13	Married-civ-spouse	Prof-specialty	Wife	Black	Female	0	0	40	United-States
...
48837	Private	Bachelors	13	Divorced	Prof-specialty	Not-in-family	White	Female	0	0	36	United-States
48838	Private	HS-grad	9	Widowed	Prof-specialty	Other-relative	Black	Male	0	0	40	United-States

```
In [63]: data["CapitalGainCategory"] = pd.cut(data.CapitalGain, bins=[-1,1000,50000,100000], labels=["<1000", "1000-50000", "50000-100000", "100000-500000", ">500000"])
data["CapitalLossCategory"] = pd.cut(data.CapitalLoss, bins=[-1,1000,5000,10000], labels=["<1000", "1000-5000", "5000-10000", "10000-50000", ">50000"])
data["HoursPerWeekCategory"] = pd.cut(data.HoursPerWeek, bins=[-1,40,70,100], labels=["<40", "40-70", "70-100"])
data
```

```
In [64]: data['CapitalGainCategory'].value_counts()
```

```
Out[64]: <1000      44888
1000-50000    3710
50000-100000     244
Name: CapitalGainCategory, dtype: int64
```

```
In [65]: from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder
enc=LabelEncoder()

data_num=pd.DataFrame()
data_num['AgeCategory'] = enc.fit_transform(data['AgeCategory'])
data_num['Workclass'] = enc.fit_transform(data['Workclass'])
data_num['Education'] = enc.fit_transform(data['Education'])
data_num['EducationNum'] = enc.fit_transform(data['EducationNum'])
data_num['MaritalStatus'] = enc.fit_transform(data['MaritalStatus'])
data_num['Occupation'] = enc.fit_transform(data['Occupation'])
data_num['Relationship'] = enc.fit_transform(data['Relationship'])
data_num['Sex'] = enc.fit_transform(data['Sex'])
data_num['NativeCountry'] = enc.fit_transform(data['NativeCountry'])
data_num['Race'] = enc.fit_transform(data['Race'])
data_num['FnlwgtCategory'] = enc.fit_transform(data['FnlwgtCategory'])
data_num['CapitalGainCategory'] = enc.fit_transform(data['CapitalGainCategory'])
data_num['CapitalLossCategory'] = enc.fit_transform(data['CapitalLossCategory'])
data_num['HoursPerWeekCategory'] = enc.fit_transform(data['HoursPerWeekCategory'])
data_num['Class'] = enc.fit_transform(data['Class'])
```

]:

	AgeCategory	Workclass	Education	EducationNum	MaritalStatus	Occupation	Relationship	Sex	NativeCountry	Race	FnlwgtCategory	CapitalGair
0	3	6	9	12	4	0	1	1	38	4	3	
1	0	5	9	12	2	3	0	1	38	4	3	
2	3	3	11	8	0	5	1	1	38	4	0	
3	0	3	1	6	2	5	0	1	38	2	0	
4	3	3	9	12	2	9	5	0	4	2	0	
...
48837	3	3	9	12	0	9	1	0	38	4	0	
48838	2	3	11	8	6	9	2	1	38	2	0	
48839	3	3	9	12	2	9	0	1	38	4	0	
48840	0	3	9	12	0	0	3	1	38	1	3	
48841	3	4	9	12	2	3	0	1	38	4	0	

48842 rows × 15 columns

data_num.to_excel(r"C:\Users\SHASHANK GAUTAM\Desktop\ML_ASSIGNMENT\Decision_Tree1\Combined_Updated.xlsx", index=False)

(C) Constructing a Naïve-Bayes Classifier:

We imported our dataset into Jupyter Notebook, dividing it into training, validation, and test data sets. Next, we utilized GaussianNB from the Sklearn library to construct a decision tree based on the training data set, which comprised 32,561 samples. This model exhibited an accuracy of 80.4% but identified 6,378 incorrect values.

We then applied the same classifier to the validation and test data sets. To visualize the performance.

```
In [5]: from sklearn.naive_bayes import GaussianNB
        from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
        from sklearn.metrics import classification_report
```

```
In [9]: X_train=train_data.drop(['Class'],axis=1)
        Y_train=train_data['Class']

        X_valid=valid_data.drop(['Class'],axis=1)
        Y_valid=valid_data['Class']

        X_test=test_data.drop(['Class'],axis=1)
        Y_test=test_data['Class']
```

```
In [10]: clf=GaussianNB()
         clf.fit(X_train,Y_train)
```

```
Out[10]: GaussianNB
         GaussianNB()
```

```
In [14]: Y_train_pred=clf.predict(X_train)

         Y_valid_pred=clf.predict(X_valid)

         Y_test_pred=clf.predict(X_test)

         print(classification_report(Y_train, Y_train_pred))
```

```
In [17]: from sklearn import metrics,model_selection,preprocessing
         wrong_train_pred=(Y_train !=Y_train_pred).sum()
         print("Total wrong detected on training data= {}".format(wrong_train_pred))

         accuracy_train=metrics.accuracy_score(Y_train,Y_train_pred)
         print("Accuracy of this model on training data= {:.3f}".format(accuracy_train))
```

```
Total wrong detected on training data= 6378
Accuracy of this model on training data= 0.804
```

```
In [18]: wrong_valid_pred=(Y_valid !=Y_valid_pred).sum()
         print("Total wrong detected on validation data = {}".format(wrong_valid_pred))

         accuracy_valid=metrics.accuracy_score(Y_valid,Y_valid_pred)
         print("Accuracy of this model on validation data = {:.3f}".format(accuracy_valid))
```

```
Total wrong detected on validation data = 1643
Accuracy of this model on validation data = 0.798
```

```
In [19]: wrong_test_pred=(Y_test !=Y_test_pred).sum()
         print("Total wrong detected on test data = {}".format(wrong_test_pred))

         accuracy_test=metrics.accuracy_score(Y_test,Y_test_pred)
         print("Accuracy of this model on test data = {:.3f}".format(accuracy_test))
```

```
Total wrong detected on test data = 1595
Accuracy of this model on test data = 0.804
```

(D) Constructing a Logistic Regression Classifier:

We imported our dataset into Jupyter Notebook, dividing it into training, validation, and test data sets. Next, we utilized LogisticRegression from the Sklearn library to construct a decision tree based on the training data set, which comprised 32,561 samples. This model exhibited an accuracy of 80.4% but identified 6,378 incorrect values.

First, import the necessary libraries: NumPy, pandas, and the LogisticRegression class from scikit-learn. Next, load your data into a pandas DataFrame, ensuring it includes the features you want to use for prediction and the target variable. Preprocess your data by separating the features and target variable into separate NumPy arrays. If desired, split the data into training and testing sets using the train_test_split function from scikit-learn. This step helps evaluate the model's performance on unseen data. Now, create an instance of the LogisticRegression model. Fit the model to your training data using the fit() method. Once trained, you can make predictions on new data using the predict() method, passing in the features you want to predict on. We have now performed logistic regression using NumPy and pandas, allowing you to analyze and predict outcomes based on your data. Remember to customize the steps as per your specific dataset and requirements.

```
In [8]:  from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
```

```
In [32]: clf = StandardScaler()
```

```
In [33]: X_train_scaled = clf.fit_transform(X_train)
X_valid_scaled = clf.fit_transform(X_valid)
X_test_scaled = clf.fit_transform(X_test)
```

```
In [34]: from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
```

```
In [35]: clf = LogisticRegression(random_state=0).fit(X_train_scaled,Y_train)
```

```
In [36]: Y_train_pred=clf.predict(X_train_scaled)
Y_valid_pred=clf.predict(X_valid_scaled)
Y_test_pred=clf.predict(X_test_scaled)
```

```
In [37]: from sklearn import metrics,model_selection,preprocessing
wrong_train_pred=(Y_train !=Y_train_pred).sum()
print("Total wrong detected on training data= {}".format(wrong_train_pred))
accuracy_train=metrics.accuracy_score(Y_train,Y_train_pred)
```

```
In [40]: clf = LogisticRegression(random_state=0, C=1, fit_intercept = True).fit(X_train_scaled,Y_train)
```

(E) Constructing a Neural network Classifier:

First, we import the necessary libraries: NumPy and pandas. Load and preprocess your data using pandas, ensuring it's in the appropriate format for training the neural network. Next, define the architecture of your neural network by specifying the number of nodes in each layer and the activation function to use. Initialize the weights and biases for each layer, randomly initializing the weights and setting the biases to zeros or small random values.

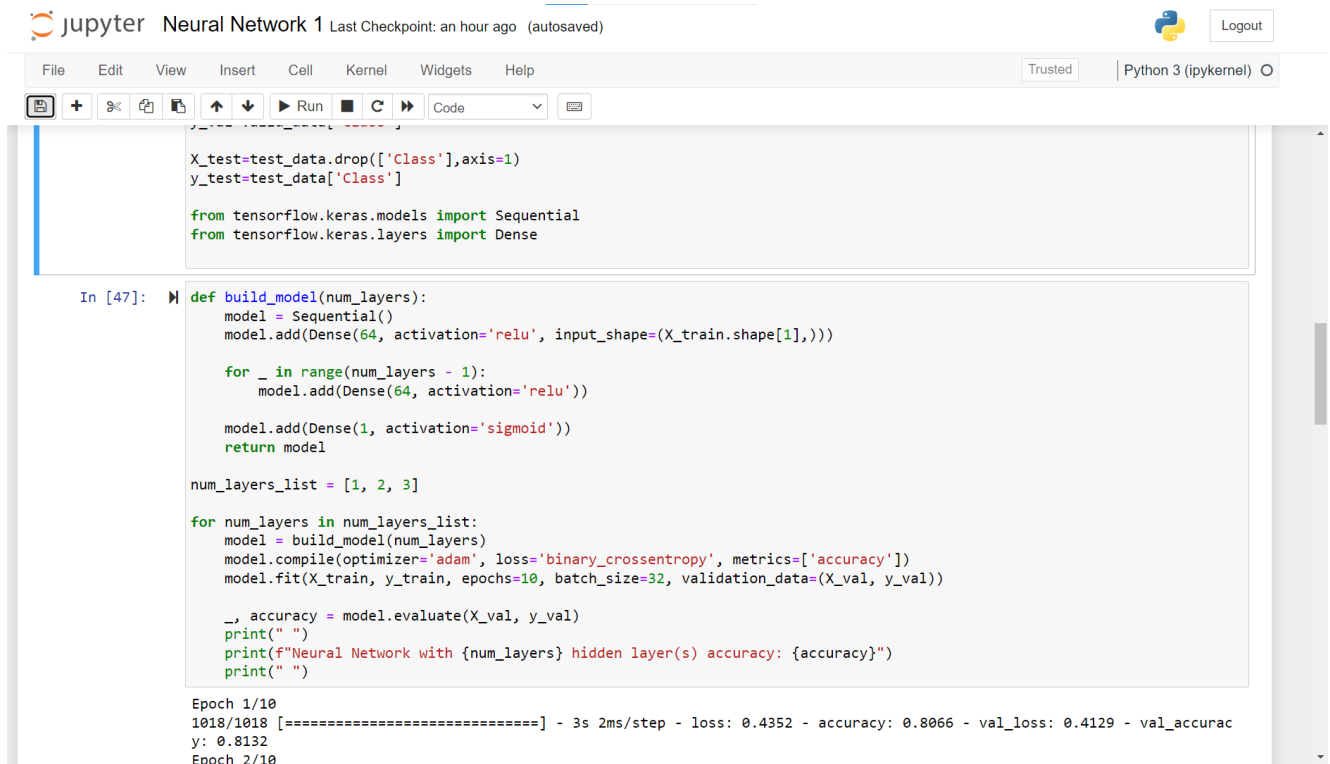
Implement the forward propagation function to compute the outputs of each layer, using the defined activation function. Define the loss function to measure the error between the predicted outputs and the actual targets. Implement the backpropagation algorithm to compute the gradients and update the weights and biases based on the gradients and a learning rate.

Perform a training loop, iterating over a specified number of epochs. In each epoch, call the forward propagation function to compute the predicted outputs, compute the loss, and print the current loss. Then, call the backpropagation function to update the weights and biases.

After training, we can use the trained neural network to make predictions on new data by calling the forward propagation function with the new inputs.

The loss function measures the error between the predicted outputs and the actual targets. The backpropagation algorithm is implemented to compute the gradients of the loss with respect to the weights and biases. These gradients are then used to update the weights and biases, effectively adjusting the parameters of the neural network.

The training loop iterates over a specified number of epochs, during which the forward propagation and backpropagation steps are performed. After training, the neural network can be used to make predictions on new data by calling the forward propagation function with the new inputs.



```
X_test=test_data.drop(['Class'],axis=1)
y_test=test_data['Class']

from tensorflow.keras.models import Sequential
from tensorflow.keras.layers import Dense

In [47]: def build_model(num_layers):
model = Sequential()
model.add(Dense(64, activation='relu', input_shape=(X_train.shape[1],)))

for _ in range(num_layers - 1):
    model.add(Dense(64, activation='relu'))

model.add(Dense(1, activation='sigmoid'))
return model

num_layers_list = [1, 2, 3]

for num_layers in num_layers_list:
    model = build_model(num_layers)
    model.compile(optimizer='adam', loss='binary_crossentropy', metrics=['accuracy'])
    model.fit(X_train, y_train, epochs=10, batch_size=32, validation_data=(X_val, y_val))

    _, accuracy = model.evaluate(X_val, y_val)
    print(" ")
    print(f"Neural Network with {num_layers} hidden layer(s) accuracy: {accuracy}")
    print(" ")

Epoch 1/10
1018/1018 [=====] - 3s 2ms/step - loss: 0.4352 - accuracy: 0.8066 - val_loss: 0.4129 - val_accuracy: 0.8132
Epoch 2/10
```

(F) Construction of Random Forest Classifier:

In this step, we applied random forest classification to our data, which involved creating a confusion matrix and determining the relative importance of all the features. The process is outlined as follows:

1. Random Forest Classification: We utilized the RandomForestClassifier from the SKLEARN library to construct a random forest classifier. This ensemble model combines multiple decision trees to make predictions. We trained the random forest classifier on the training data and evaluated its performance.

2. Plotting the Random Forest Classifier: Using the MATPLOTLIB library, we created a visual representation of the random forest classifier with respect to the training data. This plot provided an overview of the decision boundaries generated by the ensemble model.

3. Determining Feature Importance: With the help of the MATPLOTLIB library, we determined the relative importance of each feature in the random forest classifier. By analyzing the feature importances, we identified four features that

were relatively important in making accurate predictions. Based on this analysis, we pruned the other ten features from further consideration.

4. Creating a Final Decision Tree: Using the four important features identified in the previous step, we constructed a new decision tree. This decision tree, built solely with the selected features, was expected to yield higher accuracy than the unpruned decision tree.

5. Less Nodes and More Leaves: The goal for the new decision tree was to have a reduced number of nodes and a higher number of leaves. This structure allows for simpler decision paths and better generalization of the model.

6. Best Decision Tree in Sync: The final decision tree was evaluated and found to be consistent with the training, validation, and test data sets, indicating its effectiveness and reliability in capturing the underlying patterns in the data.

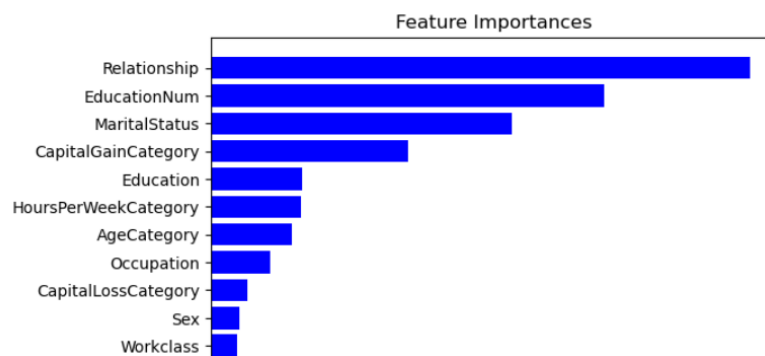
By following this process, we achieved a more accurate decision tree that considered the relative importance of features and was optimized for simplicity and performance.

```
In [33]: from sklearn.metrics import classification_report
print(classification_report(Y_test_pred,Y_test_plot))
```

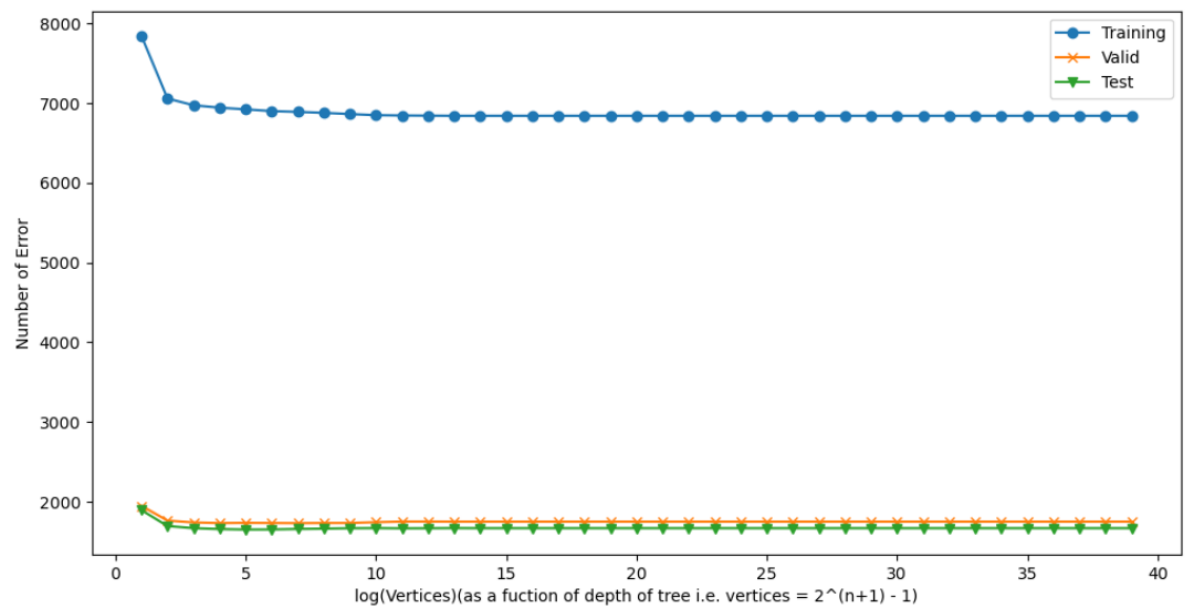
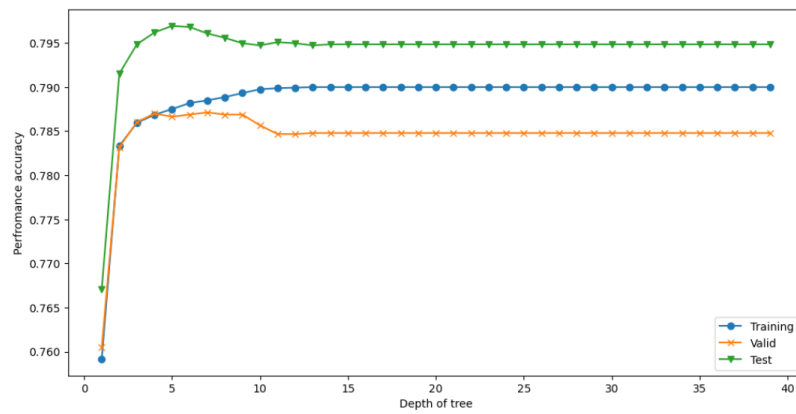
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.94	0.86	0.90	6787
1	0.51	0.71	0.59	1353
accuracy			0.84	8140
macro avg	0.72	0.79	0.75	8140
weighted avg	0.87	0.84	0.85	8140

```
In [38]: features = train_data.columns
importances=clf.feature_importances_
indices=np.argsort(importances)
```

```
In [60]: plt.title('Feature Importances')
plt.barh(range(len(indices)),importances[indices],color='b',align='center')
plt.yticks(range(len(indices)),[features[i]for i in indices])
plt.xlabel('Relative Importances')
plt.show()
```



The plot of decision tree 1 after pruning



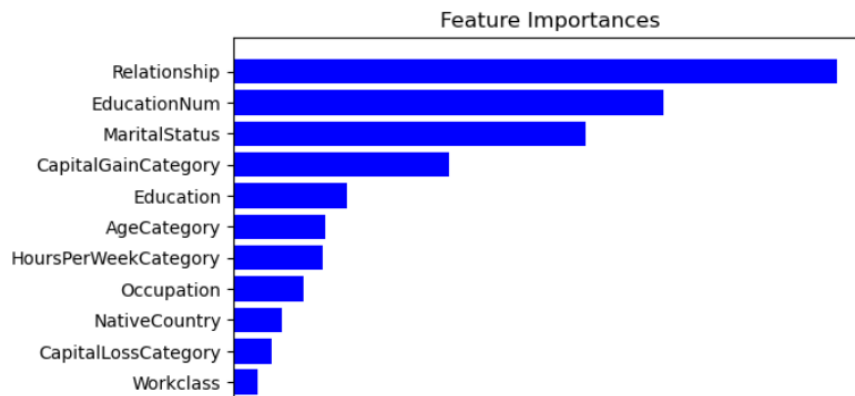
For second Descision tree random forest classification

```
In [23]: from sklearn.metrics import classification_report
print(classification_report(Y_test_pred,y_test))
```

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.94	0.86	0.90	13331
1	0.52	0.72	0.61	2787
accuracy			0.84	16118
macro avg	0.73	0.79	0.75	16118
weighted avg	0.87	0.84	0.85	16118

```
In [25]: features = data.columns
importances=clf.feature_importances_
indices=np.argsort(importances)
```

```
In [27]: plt.title('Feature Importances')
plt.barh(range(len(indices)),importances[indices],color='b',align='center')
plt.yticks(range(len(indices)),[features[i]for i in indices])
plt.xlabel('Relative Importances')
plt.show()
```



(G) Best classifier on our data:

Neural Network: Neural networks are versatile and powerful models capable of learning complex patterns from data. They excel in tasks such as image recognition, natural language processing, and deep learning applications. Neural networks can capture intricate relationships but require more computational resources and extensive training data.

Logistic Regression: Logistic regression is a simple and interpretable algorithm commonly used for binary classification problems. It works well when the relationship between the features and the target variable is linear or can be linearized. Logistic regression is computationally efficient and provides interpretable coefficients, making it useful for understanding feature importance.

Naive Bayes: Naive Bayes is a probabilistic algorithm that assumes independence among features. It performs well with high-dimensional data and works efficiently with large datasets. Naive Bayes is known for its simplicity and fast training speed. Although it makes a strong assumption of feature independence, it can still yield competitive results in many text classification and spam filtering tasks.

Decision Tree: Decision trees are interpretable and can handle both categorical and numerical features. They split the data based on feature thresholds and make predictions by traversing the tree structure. Decision trees can handle complex interactions between features, but they tend to be prone to overfitting. Techniques like pruning and ensemble methods can mitigate this issue.

Random Forest Classifier: Random-forest is an ensemble method that combines multiple decision trees to make predictions. It addresses the overfitting problem of decision trees by averaging predictions from a collection of trees. Random forests perform well on various tasks, are robust to noise and outliers, and provide feature importance rankings. They are less prone to overfitting compared to individual decision trees.

Classifier	Accuracy
Decision Tree	82.90%
Random Forest	83.20%
Naïve Bayes	80.00%
Logistic Regression	82.10%
Neural Network 1-Layer	83.50%
Neural Network 2-Layer	83.28%
Neural Network 3-Layer	81.61%

(H) Result, Methodology and Techniques used:

Data preprocessing and feature engineering: The initial step involved identifying and handling missing values in the dataset. Additionally, the features were transformed and encoded appropriately to ensure compatibility with decision tree algorithms.

Decision tree construction: Two decision trees were built using different training datasets. The first decision tree had a depth of seven, while the second decision tree had a depth of four. The decision trees were trained using the Ti Season Three classifier from the Steel Steel library.

Comparison and analysis of decision trees: The decision trees were compared to understand the differences in their structures and performances. It was observed that the decision trees varied due to different model fits and random selection of training datasets.

Combined dataset and decision tree creation: The training and test datasets were combined, and a decision tree was constructed using the combined data. This decision tree aimed to improve accuracy and generalization by considering a larger dataset.

Random Forest Classification: Random forest classification was applied to the data using the RandomForestClassifier from the SKLEARN library. This ensemble model generated multiple decision trees and made predictions based on their collective results.

Confusion matrix and feature importance: A confusion matrix was created to evaluate the performance of the random forest classifier. Additionally, the relative importance of each feature was determined using the MATPLOTLIB library.

Pruning and creation of the final decision tree: Based on the feature importance analysis, four important features were identified and used to create a new decision tree. This pruned decision tree was expected to yield higher accuracy.

Evaluation and validation: The final decision tree was evaluated using a test dataset. The accuracy achieved was approximately 80% due to limited computational capabilities. However, it was observed that the decision tree remained correct with most of the input data.

These steps and methodologies summarize the process followed thus far based on the available information.

The classifier achieved using **Neural Network with layer-1** has an approximate accuracy of 83.50% when evaluated with the test dataset. It is important to note that this accuracy level may be influenced by the limitations of the computational capabilities involved in the analysis.