

# AdaBoost



# Boosting algorithm

1. Initialize  $f(x) = 0, r = y$

2. For  $b = 1, 2, \dots, B$ , repeat

a) Fit a tree  $f_b(x)$  to the training data  $(X, r)$

b)  $f(x) \leftarrow f(x) + \lambda f_b(x)$

c)  $r \leftarrow r - \lambda f_b(x)$

3. output  $\sum_{b=1}^B \lambda f_b(x)$



# Popular Boosting Algorithms

- AdaBoost
- Gradient Boost

# AdaBoost

- Classification
- Uses weights on data samples
- Each stump fits to  $y$
- Predicts discrete values -1 or 1
- Uses exponential weight update

# AdaBoost

1. Initialize sample weights  $w_i = 1/N$

$$F(x) = \text{sign} \left[ \sum_{b=1}^B \lambda_b f_b(x) \right]$$

2. For  $b = 1, 2, \dots, B$ , repeat

a) Fit a tree  $f_b(x)$  to the training data  $(X, y)$  with sample weights  $w_i$

b) Calculate error  $\varepsilon_b = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N w_i I(y_i \neq f_b(x_i))}{\sum_{i=1}^N w_i}$

c) Calculate model coefficient  $\lambda_b = \frac{1}{2} \log \left( \frac{1-\varepsilon_b}{\varepsilon_b} \right)$

d) Update sample weights  $w_i \leftarrow w_i \exp(\lambda_b \cdot I(y_i \neq f_b)(x_i))$

3. output  $F(x) = \text{sign} \left[ \sum_{b=1}^B \lambda_b f_b(x) \right]$

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1. Initialize sample weights  $w_i = 1/N$

	Age	Sex	ChestPain	Chol	AHD	weight
0	63	1	typical	233	No	0.1
1	67	1	asymptomatic	286	Yes	0.1
2	67	1	asymptomatic	229	Yes	0.1
3	37	1	nonanginal	250	No	0.1
4	41	0	nontypical	204	No	0.1
5	56	1	nontypical	236	No	0.1
6	62	0	asymptomatic	268	Yes	0.1
7	57	0	asymptomatic	354	No	0.1
8	63	1	asymptomatic	254	Yes	0.1
9	53	1	asymptomatic	203	Yes	0.1

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2. For  $b = 1, 2, \dots, B$ , repeat

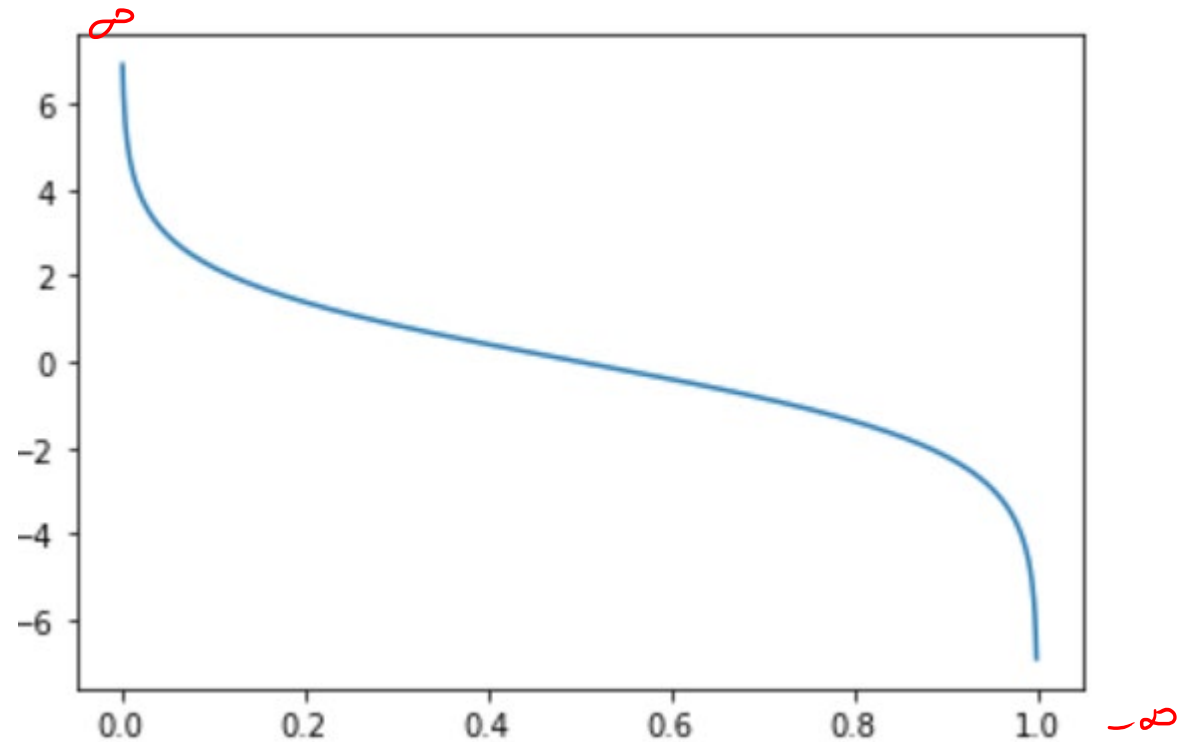
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	Age	Sex	ChestPain	Chol	AHD	weight	Yp
0	63	1	typical	233	No	0.1	Yes
1	67	1	asymptomatic	286	Yes	0.1	Yes
2	67	1	asymptomatic	229	Yes	0.1	Yes
3	37	1	nonanginal	250	No	0.1	No
4	41	0	nontypical	204	No	0.1	No
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2-b) Calculate Error  $\varepsilon_b = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N w_i I(y_i \neq f_b(x_i))}{\sum_{i=1}^N w_i} = 0.2$

2-c) Calculate model coefficient  $\lambda_b = \log\left(\frac{1-\varepsilon_b}{\varepsilon_b}\right) = 1.386$





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2-d) Update sample weights  $w_i \leftarrow w_i \exp(\lambda_b \cdot I(y_i \neq f_b(x)))$

	Age	Sex	ChestPain	Chol	AHD	<u>weight</u>	Yp
→ 0	63	1	typical	233	No	<u>4.0</u>	Yes
1	67	1	asymptomatic	286	Yes	1.0	Yes
2	67	1	asymptomatic	229	Yes	1.0	Yes
3	37	1	nonanginal	250	No	1.0	No
4	41	0	nontypical	204	No	1.0	No
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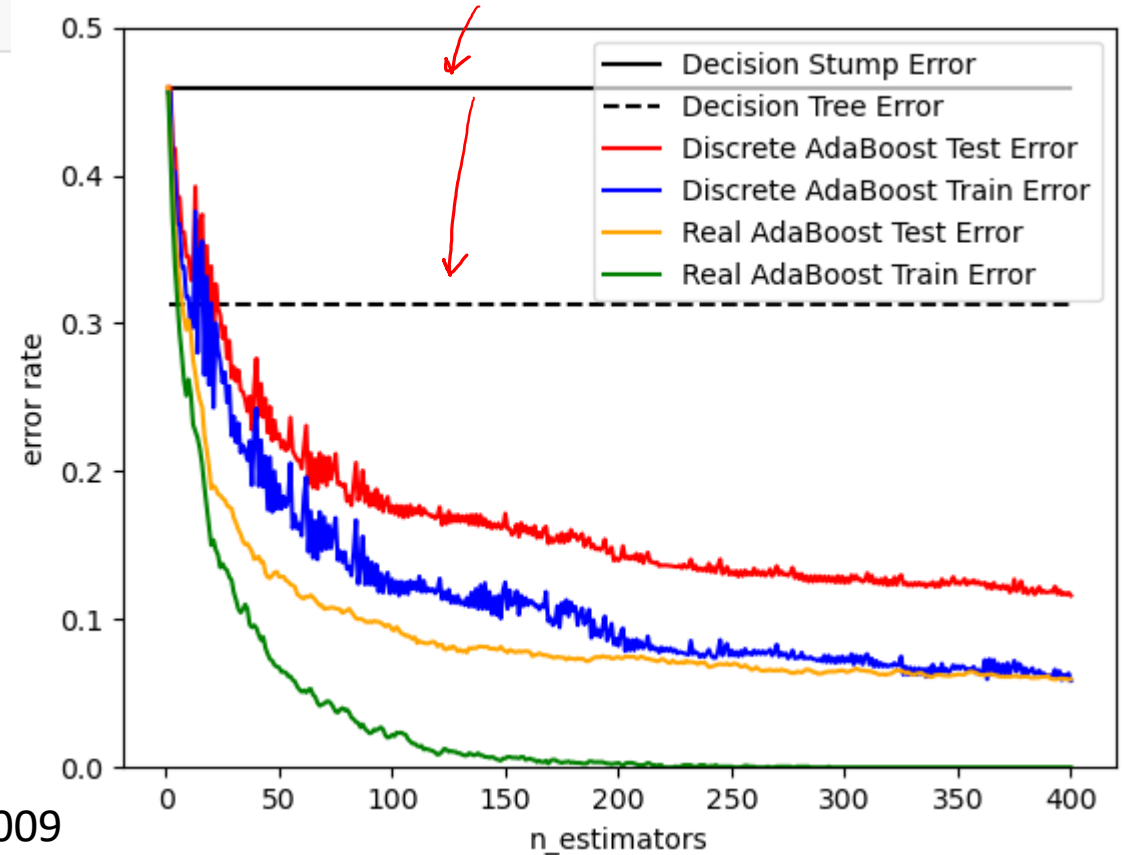
	Age	Sex	ChestPain	Chol	AHD	weight	Yp
0	63	1	typical	233	No	0.2500	Yes
1	67	1	asymptomatic	286	Yes	0.0625	Yes
2	67	1	asymptomatic	229	Yes	0.0625	Yes
3	37	1	nonanginal	250	No	0.0625	No
4	41	0	nontypical	204	No	0.0625	No
5	56	1	nontypical	236	No	0.0625	No
6	62	0	asymptomatic	268	Yes	0.0625	Yes
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# AdaBoost

`sklearn.ensemble.AdaBoostClassifier`

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```
class sklearn.ensemble.AdaBoostClassifier(base_estimator=None, *, n_estimators=50, learning_rate=1.0, algorithm='SAMME.R',  
random_state=None)
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Zhu, H. Zou, S. Rosset, T. Hastie, “Multi-class AdaBoost”, 2009

[https://scikit-learn.org/stable/auto\\_examples/ensemble/plot\\_adaboost\\_hastie\\_10\\_2.html#id4](https://scikit-learn.org/stable/auto_examples/ensemble/plot_adaboost_hastie_10_2.html#id4)

## Can AdaBoost also do Regression?

`sklearn.ensemble.AdaBoostRegressor`

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class sklearn.ensemble.AdaBoostRegressor(base_estimator=None, *, n_estimators=50, learning_rate=1.0, loss='linear',  
random_state=None)
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## How good is AdaBoost?

- Data: ~5k+ samples, ~20 features

