

Interview questions.

①. What is the difference between Precision and recall?

② Precision:-

* Precision measures how many of the predicted positive cases are actually positive. It reflects the accuracy of positive prediction.

Formula:-

$$\text{Precision} = \frac{TP}{TP + FP}$$

TP = True Positive

FP = False Positive

For ex:- In medical diagnostics for a serious disease, a false positive could lead to unnecessary anxiety or invasive tests.

* Recall

* Recall measures how many of the actual positive cases are correctly identified. It reflects the model's ability to detect positive cases.

Formula

$$\text{Recall} = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

FN: False Negative.

For ex:-

In detecting cancer a False Negative is far worse than False Positive.

* Precision vs Recall Trade-off

* Increase precision often decreases recall.

* F1-Score is metric that balances both

Formula.

$$F_1\text{-Score} = \frac{\text{Precision} \times \text{Recall}}{\text{Precision} + \text{Recall}}$$

② What is cross-validation, and why is it important in binary classification?

Cross-validation is a statistical technique used to evaluate the performance of ML model.

A split the multiple subsets.

How does cross-validation work:-

1) Splitting dataset

2) Testing validation

3) Repeat validation testing

4) Average the result.

Types of cross validation:-

1) k-fold cross-validation

2) Stratified k-fold

3) Leave one out (LOO) one of testing.

* Why is cross-validation important in binary classification.

1) Prevents overfitting:-

Ensure the model is not too

specialized to the training data!
and perform well on new data.

2) Improve model Reliability:-

Evaluate performance across
multiple subsets.

3) Handle Data imbalance:-

Stratified cross validation
help to maintain the class balance

4) Maximize Data usage.

All data points are used
for both training and validation
making most of small datasets.

5) Reduces Bias & variance:-

Average performance across
folds to provide a more balanced
evaluation.

Testing

④
Stratified cross validation is important