

Decision Tree Algorithm

(Part-I)

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Basic Decision Tree Algorithms

- ▶ Algorithms employ a top-down, greedy search through the space of possible decision trees.
- ▶ ID3 and C4.5 are basic decision tree algorithms.
- ▶ For learning decision trees the question should be asked

“which attribute should be tested at the root of the tree”

- ▶ **Statistical property** is used to determine how well it alone classifies the training examples.
- ▶ Then the best attribute is selected for the root node of the tree.

Suitable Problem for Decision Tree Learning

- ▶ **Dataset tuples must be represented by attribute–value pairs.**
 - ▶ e.g: *Hot, Mild, Cold*
- ▶ **The target function must have discrete output values.**
 - ▶ e.g: *Yes or No*
- ▶ **Required disjunctive descriptions**
- ▶ **Training data containing error**
 - ▶ *It is robust to classification error of training and error in attribute values of the dataset.*
- ▶ **Training data containing missing attribute values**

How to Find Best Attribute

- ▶ Before defining the information gain, Entropy needs to define first that is commonly used in information theory.
- ▶ Let collection of samples S containing two type of target concepts (Positive and negative).
- ▶ Then, entropy corresponding target concept can be defined as:

$$Entropy(S) = -p_+ \log_2 p_+ - p_- \log_2 p_- \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

How to Find Best Attribute

where p_+ and p_- are the proportion of positive and negative instances in S .

▶ Example:

$$\text{Entropy}[9+,5-] = -(9/14) \log_2(9/14) - (5/14) \log_2(5/14) = 0.940\dots(2)$$

▶ In general, If target attribute have C different values, then C -wise classification is defined as:

$$\text{Entropy}(S) = \sum_{i=1}^C -p_i \log_2 p_i \dots(3)$$

Attribute Selection Measures

- ▶ There are many methods to measure the best split of instances.
- ▶ The following measures are attribute selection measures:
 - 1) **Information Gain (IG)**
 - 2) **Gain Ratio (GR)**
 - 3) **Gini Index (GI)**

1). ID3 (Iterative Dichotomiser) (Information Gain Measure)

- ▶ Developed by J. Ross Quinlan in late 1970's and early 1980's
- ▶ Its measure the effectiveness of an attribute in classifying the training data.
- ▶ Information gain, $\text{Gain}(S,A)$ can be defined as:

$$IG(S, A) = Entropy(S) - \sum_{v \in Values(A)} \frac{|S_v|}{|S|} Entropy(S_v) \dots (5)$$

1). ID3 (Iterative Dichotomiser) (Information Gain Measure)

- ▶ where $S_v \subseteq S$ for which attribute A has value v and $Values(A)$ is the set of all possible values of attribute A

Example:

Values(Wind)=Weak, Strong;

Number of positive and negative instances $S=[9+,5-]$;

$$S_{weak} \leftarrow [6+,2-]$$

$$S_{Strong} \leftarrow [3+,3-]$$

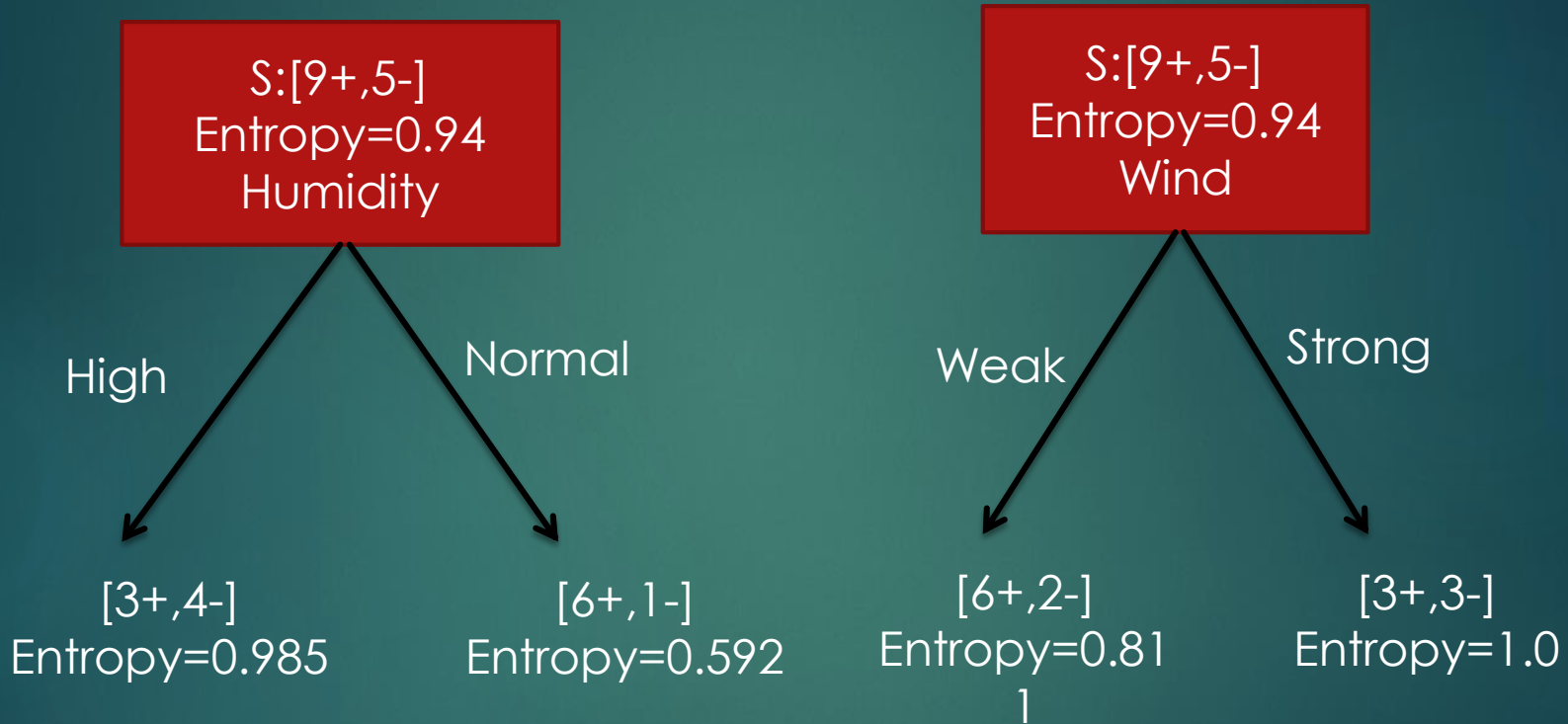
then

$$IG(S, wind) = Entropy(S) - (8/14)Entropy(S_{weak}) - (6/14)Entropy(S_{strong})$$

$$= 0.94 - (8/14) \times 0.811 - (6/14) \times 1.0$$

$$= 0.048$$

Information gain of attributes for weather data



$$\begin{aligned} IG(S, \text{Humidity}) &= 0.940 - (7/14) * 0.985 \\ &\quad - (7/14) * 0.592 \\ &= 0.151 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} IG(S, \text{Wind}) &= 0.940 - (8/14) * 0.811 \\ &\quad - (6/14) * 1.0 \\ &= 0.048 \end{aligned}$$

Information gain of attributes for weather data

- ▶ Information gain of the all attributes:

$$IG(S, Outlook) = 0.246$$

$$IG(S, humidity) = 0.151$$

$$IG(S, Wind) = 0.048$$

$$IG(S, Temperature) = 0.029$$

Outlook

Sunny

Rain

Overcast

S1

S2

S.N.	Temperature	Humidity	Windy	Play
D1	Hot	High	Weak	No
D2	Hot	High	Strong	No
D8	Mild	High	Weak	No
D9	Cool	Normal	Weak	Yes
D11	Mild	Normal	Strong	Yes

S.N.	Temperature	Humidity	Windy	Play
D4	Mild	High	Weak	Yes
D5	Cool	Normal	Weak	Yes
D6	Cool	Normal	Strong	No
D10	Mild	Normal	Weak	Yes
D14	Mild	high	Strong	No

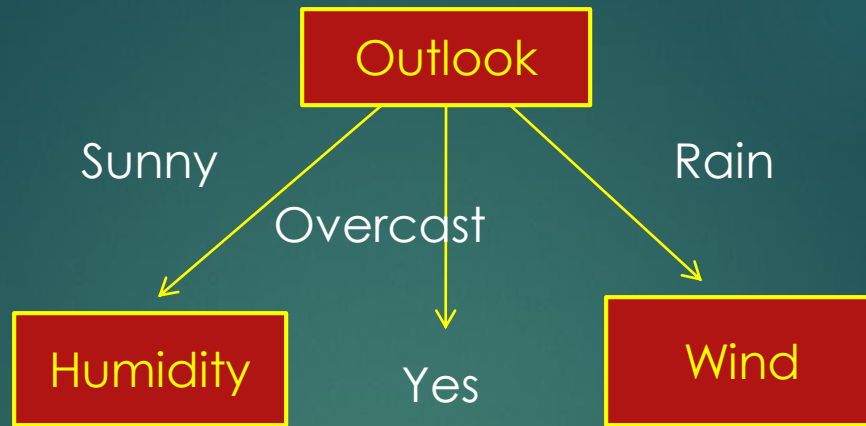
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S3

S.N.	Temperature	Humidity	Windy	Play
D3	Hot	High	Weak	Yes
D7	Cool	Normal	Strong	Yes
D12	Mild	High	Strong	Yes
D13	Hot	Normal	Weak	Yes

Entropy(S1)=0.971
 IG(S1, Temperature)=0.571
 IG(S1, Humidity)=0.971
 IG(S1, Windy)=0.02

Entropy(S2)=0.971
 IG(S2, Temperature)=0.02
 IG(S2, Humidity)=0.02
 IG(S2, Windy)=0.971



S1

S.N.	Temperature	Humidity	Windy	Play
D1	Hot	High	Weak	No
D2	Hot	High	Strong	No
D8	Mild	High	Weak	No
D9	Cool	Normal	Weak	Yes
D11	Mild	Normal	Strong	Yes

S2

S.N.	Temperature	Humidity	Windy	Play
D4	Mild	High	Weak	Yes
D5	Cool	Normal	Weak	Yes
D6	Cool	Normal	Strong	No
D10	Mild	Normal	Weak	Yes
D14	Mild	high	Strong	No

S3

S.N.	Temperature	Humidity	Windy	Play
D3	Hot	High	Weak	Yes
D7	Cool	Normal	Strong	Yes
D12	Mild	High	Strong	Yes
D13	Hot	Normal	Weak	Yes

Entropy(S1)=0.971

IG(S1, Temperature)=0.571

IG(S1, Humidity)=0.971

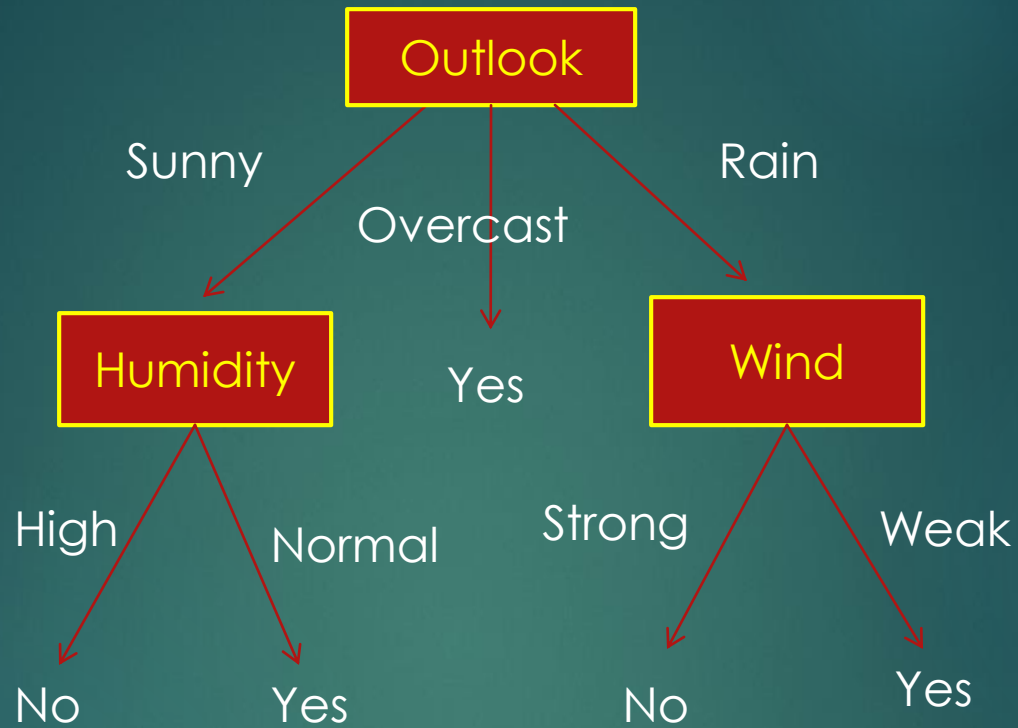
IG(S1, Windy)=0.02

Entropy(S2)=0.971

IG(S2, Temperature)=0.02

IG(S2, Humidity)=0.02

IG(S2, Windy)=0.971



S.N.	Temperature	Windy	Play
D1	Hot	Weak	No
D2	Hot	Strong	No
D8	Mild	Weak	No

S.N.	Temperature	Windy	Play
D9	Cool	Weak	Yes
D11	Mild	Strong	Yes

S.N.	Temperature	Humidity	Play
D6	Cool	Normal	No
D14	Mild	high	No

S.N.	Temperature	Humidity	Play
D4	Mild	High	Yes
D5	Cool	Normal	Yes
D10	Mild	Normal	Yes



Final Decision Tree

Assignment-1: Construct decision tree using ID3 algorithm

RID	Age	Income	Student	Credit-rating	Class: buys computer
1	youth	High	No	Fair	No
2	Youth	High	No	Excellent	No
3	Middle_aged	High	No	Fair	Yes
4	Senior	Medium	No	Fair	Yes
5	Senior	Low	Yes	Fair	Yes
6	Senior	Low	Yes	Excellent	No
7	Middle_aged	Low	Yes	Excellent	Yes
8	Youth	Medium	No	Fair	No
9	Youth	Low	Yes	Fair	Yes
10	Senior	Medium	Yes	Fair	Yes
11	Youth	Medium	Yes	Excellent	Yes
12	Middle_aged	Medium	No	Excellent	Yes
13	Middle_aged	High	Yes	Fair	Yes
14	Senior	Medium	No	Excellent	No

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