

# Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery Practice notes: Decision trees

## Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery: Practice Notes

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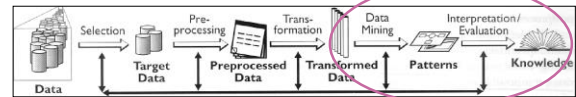
## Course

- Prof. Bojan Cestnik
  - Data preparation
- Prof. Nada Lavrač:
  - Data mining overview
  - Advanced topics
- Dr. Petra Kralj Novak
  - Data mining basis
  - Hand on Weka
  - Written exam
  - Reading clubs:
    - Basic: Max Bramer: Principles of Data Mining (2007)
    - Advanced: Charu C. Aggarwal : Data Mining: The Textbook
- Prof. Dunja Mladenić
  - Text mining



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19.12.2018	16h-18h	APS	Petra Kralj Novak Written test Seminar proposals	ICT2 Data and text mining	ICT3 Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery
10.1.2019	19h-17h	Oradina	Petra Kralj Novak Advanced Hands on	ICT2 Data and text mining	ICT3 Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery
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## Keywords

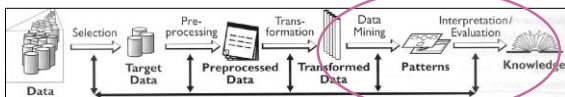


- Data
  - Attribute, example, attribute-value data, target variable, class, discretization
- Algorithms
  - Decision tree induction, entropy, information gain, overfitting, Occam's razor, model pruning, naive Bayes classifier, KNN, association rules, support, confidence, numeric prediction, regression tree, model tree, heuristics vs. exhaustive search, predictive vs. descriptive DM
- Evaluation
  - Train set, test set, accuracy, confusion matrix, cross validation, true positives, false positives, ROC space, AUC, error, precision, recall

## Decision tree induction

Given

- Attribute-value data with nominal target variable
- Induce
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## Attribute-value data

(nominal) target variable

Person	attributes				Lenses
	Age	Prescription	Astigmatic	Tear_Rate	
P1	young	myope	no	normal	YES
P2	young	myope	no	reduced	NO
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P7	young	hypermetrope	yes	normal	YES
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P21	presbyopic	myope	yes	normal	YES
P22	presbyopic	myope	yes	reduced	NO
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examples → classes = values of the (nominal) target variable



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### Training and test set

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Put 30% of examples in a separate test set

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Put these data away and do not look at them in the training phase!

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Divide the data into training set (S) and test set (T)

Induce a decision tree on training set S:

1. Compute the **entropy**  $E(S)$  of the set S
2. **IF**  $E(S) = 0$
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5. Compute the **information gain** of each attribute  $\text{Gain}(S, A)$
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7. Divide the set S into subsets  $S_v$  according to the values of A
8. Repeat steps 1-7 on each  $S_v$

Test the model on the test set T

### Information gain

$$\text{Gain}(S, A) = E(S) - \sum_{v \in \text{Values}(A)} \frac{|S_v|}{|S|} \cdot E(S_v)$$

number of examples in the subset  $S_v$   
 (probability of the branch)  
 ↓  
 number of examples in set S

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### Entropy

$$E(S) = - \sum_{c=1}^N p_c \cdot \log_2 p_c$$

- Calculate the following entropies:

- $E(0,1) =$
- $E(1/2, 1/2) =$
- $E(1/4, 3/4) =$
- $E(1/7, 6/7) =$
- $E(6/7, 1/7) =$
- $E(0.1, 0.9) =$
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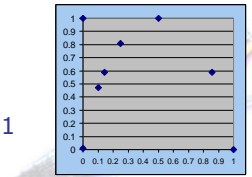
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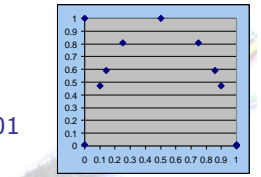


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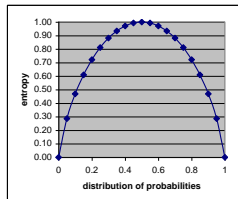
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### Entropy and information gain

probability of class 1	probability of class 2	entropy $E(p_1, p_2) = -p_1 \cdot \log_2(p_1) - p_2 \cdot \log_2(p_2)$
$p_1$	$p_2 = 1 - p_1$	
0	1	0.00
0.05	0.95	0.29
0.10	0.90	0.47
0.15	0.85	0.61
0.20	0.80	0.72
0.25	0.75	0.81
0.30	0.70	0.88
0.35	0.65	0.93
0.40	0.60	0.97
0.45	0.55	0.99
0.50	0.50	1.00
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1	0	0.00



$$Gain(S, A) = E(S) - \sum_{v \in \text{values}(A)} \frac{|S_v|}{|S|} E(S_v)$$

Labels: attribute A, number of examples in the subset, probability of the "branch", set S, number of examples in set S



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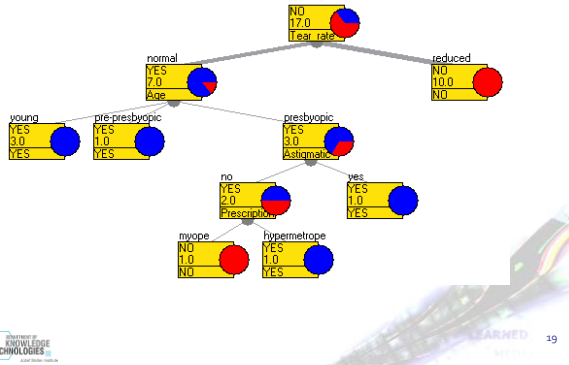


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### Decision tree



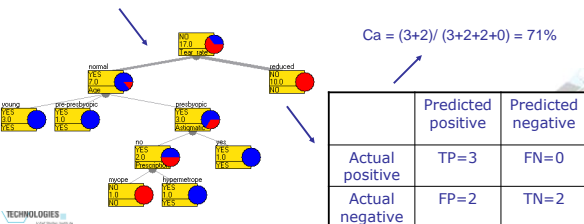
### Confusion matrix

		predicted	
		Predicted positive	Predicted negative
actual	Actual positive	TP	FN
	Actual negative	FP	TN

- Confusion matrix is a matrix showing actual and predicted classifications
- Classification measures can be calculated from it, like classification accuracy
  - = # (correctly classified examples) / # (all examples)
  - = (TP+TN) / (TP+TN+FP+FN)

### Evaluating decision tree accuracy

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### Is 71% good classification accuracy?

- Depends on the dataset!
- Compare to the **majority class classifier** (ZeroR in Weka)
  - Classifies all the data in the most represented class
- In our Lenses example, the majority class is "Lenses=NO".
  - Accuracy on train set = 11/17 = 65%
  - Accuracy on test set = 4/7 = 57%
  - If we had bigger sets, these two numbers would be almost the same
- Since 71% > 57%, there is some improvement from the majority class classifier

### Discussion

- How much is the information gain for the "attribute" Person? How would it perform on the test set?
- How do we compute entropy for a target variable that has three values? Lenses = {hard=4, soft=5, none=13}
- What would be the classification accuracy of our decision tree if we pruned it at the node *Astigmatic*?
- What are the stopping criteria for building a decision tree?
- How would you compute the information gain for a numeric attribute?