

Homework #6

Algorithms II

Due: Monday November 4th , 2013

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1. Consider the set of training data shown in the table below for a binary classification problem (Here + or -). Note that for each record there are three attributes, two of which are binary and one which is continuous.

| Record | A | B | C | Class |
|--------|---|---|-----|-------|
| 1 | T | T | 1.0 | + |
| 2 | T | T | 6.0 | + |
| 3 | T | F | 5.0 | - |
| 4 | F | F | 4.0 | + |
| 5 | F | T | 7.0 | - |
| 6 | F | T | 3.0 | - |
| 7 | F | F | 8.0 | - |
| 8 | T | F | 7.0 | + |
| 9 | F | T | 5.0 | - |

- (a) Determine the entropy of this collection of training examples.
- (b) What are the information gains (based on entropy measure) for attributes A and B? Which one provides the largest information gain? To make sure you are counting correctly for each attribute make a table giving the split for the child nodes like

| A | + | - |
|---|---|---|
| T | 3 | 1 |
| F | 1 | 4 |

- (c) If we split attribute C as ≤ 3 , between 3 and 6, and > 6 determine the information gain.
- (d) Determine a decision tree based upon choosing the largest information gain using the entropy measure and splitting attribute C as in (c). Justify your choices.
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