

Random Forest Algorithm

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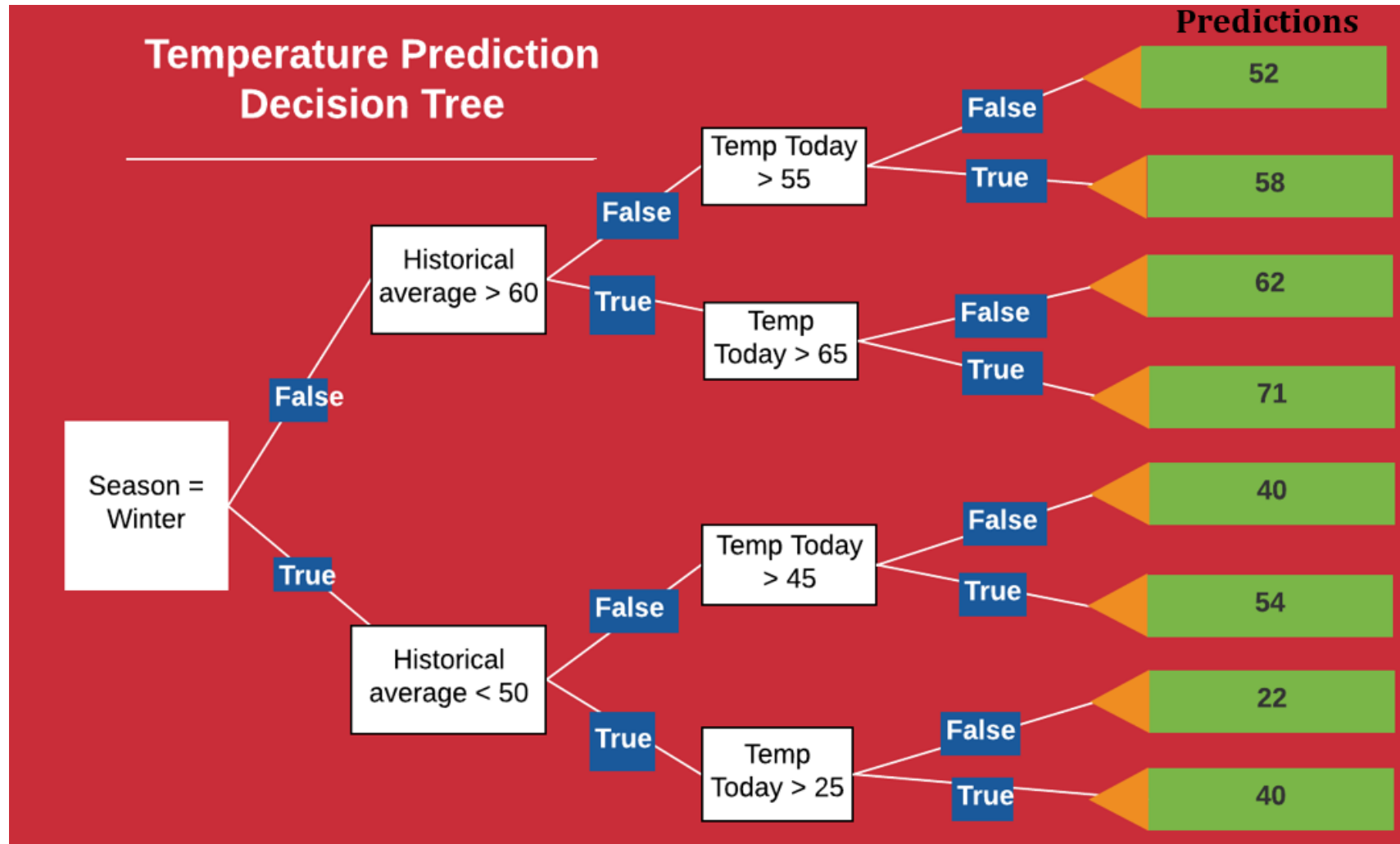
Background Content

- Random forest comprised of multiple decision trees -> first understand what decision tree is, then understand rand forest
- What is decision tree + what it looks like
 - Why/how it works
 - Idea of entropy + information gain + gini index
- Random forest classifier
 - What is it + what does it look like
 - How does it work?
 - Why “random” and why “forest” in random forest classifier name?
- Misc
 - Difference between random forest regression vs classification

What is a decision tree?

- Flowchart-like tree that is used to model how outputs are predicted from inputs
 - Branches/edges represent result (Ex: True/False) of nodes
 - Nodes represent either
 - Conditions (decision nodes)
 - OR results (end/leaf nodes)
- Models decisions and ALL possible results
- Supervised learning algorithm
- Works for both continuous and categorical output

Visualization of decision tree w/ discrete output



<https://williamkoehrsen.medium.com/random-forest-simple-explanation-377895a60d2d>

Examples of discrete vs continuous output in decision trees

- **“Discrete output example:** A weather prediction model that predicts whether or not there’ll be rain in a particular day.”
- **“Continuous output example:** A profit prediction model that states the probable profit that can be generated from the sale of a product.”

Source: <https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/python-decision-tree-regression-using-sklearn/?ref=rp>

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Continuous output example: A profit prediction model that states the probable profit that can be generated from the sale of a product.

Here, continuous values are predicted with the help of a decision tree regression model.

Let's see the Step-by-Step implementation –

- **Step 1:** Import the required libraries.



```
# import numpy package for arrays and stuff  
import numpy as np
```



```
# import matplotlib.pyplot for plotting our result  
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```
# import pandas for importing csv files  
import pandas as pd
```

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- **Step 2:** Initialize and print the Dataset.

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```
# import dataset
# dataset = pd.read_csv('Data.csv')
# alternatively open up .csv file to read data
```

```
dataset = np.array(
[['Asset Flip', 100, 1000],
['Text Based', 500, 3000],
['Visual Novel', 1500, 5000],
['2D Pixel Art', 3500, 8000],
['2D Vector Art', 5000, 6500],
['Strategy', 6000, 7000],
['First Person Shooter', 8000, 15000],
['Simulator', 9500, 20000],
['Racing', 12000, 21000],
['RPG', 14000, 25000],
['Sandbox', 15500, 27000],
['Open-World', 16500, 30000],
['MMOFPS', 25000, 52000],
['MMORPG', 30000, 80000]
])
```


```
# print the dataset
print(dataset)
```

```
# print the dataset
print(dataset)
```


```
[['Asset Flip', '100', '1000']
['Text Based', '500', '3000']
['Visual Novel', '1500', '5000']
['2D Pixel Art', '3500', '8000']
['2D Vector Art', '5000', '6500']
['Strategy', '6000', '7000']
['First Person Shooter', '8000', '15000']
['Simulator', '9500', '20000']
['Racing', '12000', '21000']
['RPG', '14000', '25000']
['Sandbox', '15500', '27000']
['Open-World', '16500', '30000']
['MMOFPS', '25000', '52000']
['MMORPG', '30000', '80000']]
```

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- **Step 3:** Select all the rows and column 1 from dataset to "X".



```
# select all rows by : and column 1  
# by 1:2 representing features  
X = dataset[:, 1:2].astype(int)
```





```
# print X  
print(X)
```

```
[[ 100]  
[ 500]  
[ 1500]  
[ 3500]  
[ 5000]  
[ 6000]  
[ 8000]  
[ 9500]  
[12000]  
[14000]  
[15500]  
[16500]  
[25000]  
[30000]]
```


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- **Step 4:** Select all of the rows and column 2 from dataset to "y".

```
 # select all rows by : and column 2  
# by 2 to Y representing labels  
 y = dataset[:, 2].astype(int)  
  
# print y  
print(y)
```

```
[ 1000  3000  5000  8000  6500  7000 15000 20000 21000 25000 27000 30000  
52000 80000]
```

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- **Step 5:** Fit decision tree regressor to the dataset



import the regressor

from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeRegressor



create a regressor object

regressor = DecisionTreeRegressor(random_state = 0)

fit the regressor with X and Y data

regressor.fit(X, y)

```
DecisionTreeRegressor(criterion='mse', max_depth=None, max_features=None,  
                      max_leaf_nodes=None, min_impurity_decrease=0.0,  
                      min_impurity_split=None, min_samples_leaf=1,  
                      min_samples_split=2, min_weight_fraction_leaf=0.0,  
                      presort=False, random_state=0, splitter='best')
```

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- **Step 6:** Predicting a new value



predicting a new value



test the output by changing values, like 3750

```
y_pred = regressor.predict(3750)
```

print the predicted price

```
print("Predicted price: % d\n"% y_pred)
```

```
Predicted price: 8000
```

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- **Step 7:** Visualising the result

```
# arange for creating a range of values
# from min value of X to max value of X
# with a difference of 0.01 between two
# consecutive values
X_grid = np.arange(min(X), max(X), 0.01)

# reshape for reshaping the data into
# a len(X_grid)*1 array, i.e. to make
# a column out of the X_grid values
X_grid = X_grid.reshape((len(X_grid), 1))

# scatter plot for original data
plt.scatter(X, y, color = 'red')

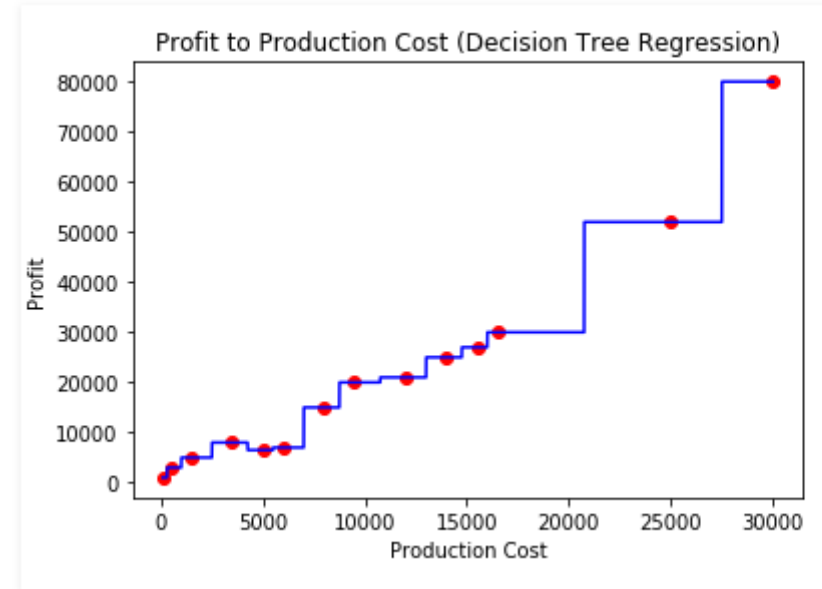
# plot predicted data
plt.plot(X_grid, regressor.predict(X_grid), color = 'blue')

# specify title
plt.title('Profit to Production Cost (Decision Tree Regression)')

# specify X axis label
plt.xlabel('Production Cost')

# specify Y axis label
plt.ylabel('Profit')


# show the plot
plt.show()
```




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- **Step 8:** The tree is finally exported and shown in the TREE STRUCTURE below, visualized using <http://www.webgraphviz.com/> by copying the data from the 'tree.dot' file.



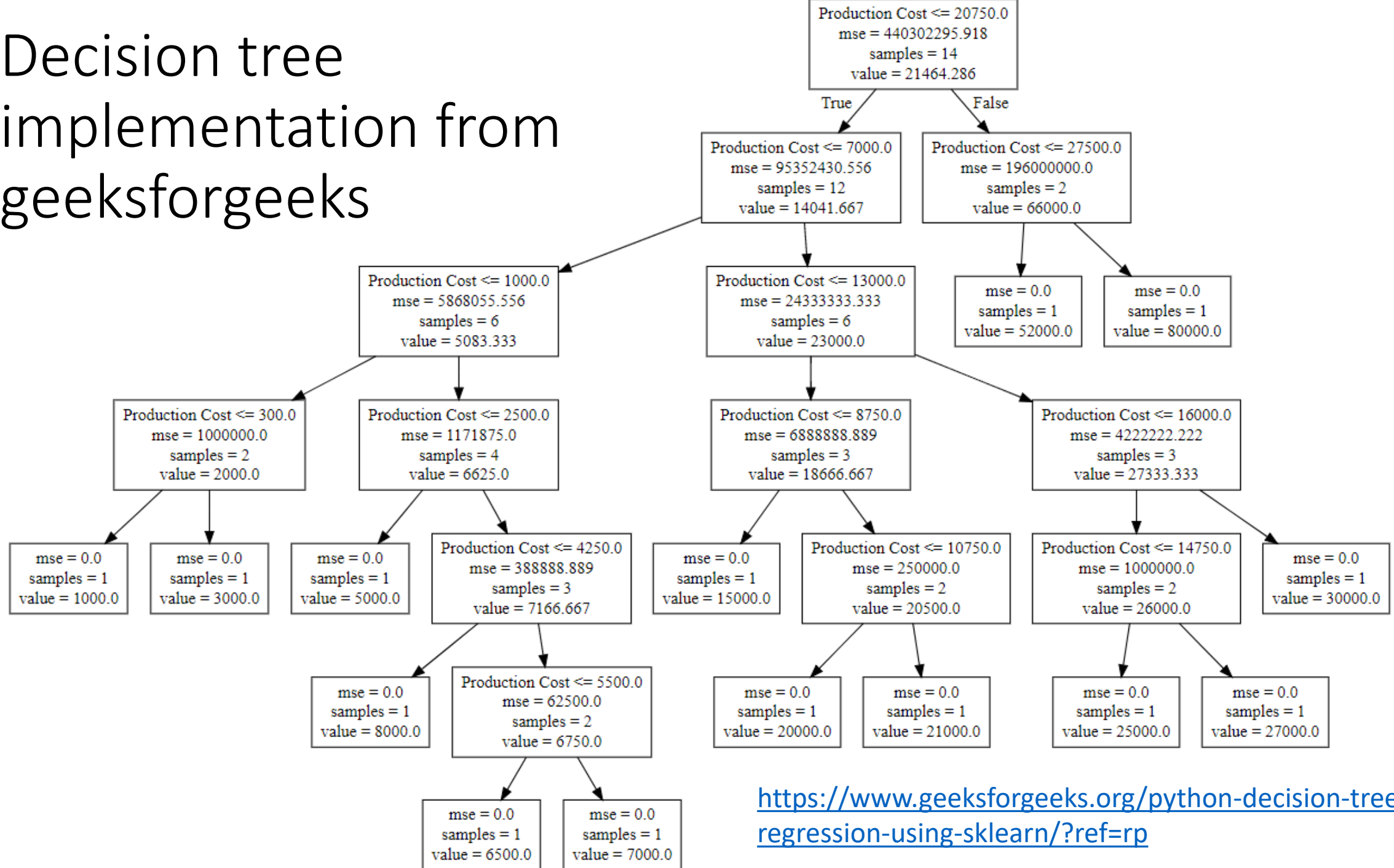
```
# import export_graphviz
from sklearn.tree import export_graphviz
```



```
# export the decision tree to a tree.dot file
# for visualizing the plot easily anywhere
export_graphviz(regressor, out_file = 'tree.dot',
                feature_names = ['Production Cost'])
```

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Ok... great... but how does a decision tree really work?

- How to determine which node/attribute cutoff is root?
 - How to determine best cutoff for data (Ex: production cost ≤ 7000 in previous slide)?
 - Decision trees need to be able to identify + quantify best “cutoffs” in data
- Recall:
 - Each internal node corresponds to an attribute
 - Each leaf node corresponds to class label
- Decision trees need to know which attributes to be considered as root node at each level of tree

<https://dataaspirant.com/how-decision-tree-algorithm-works/>

Overview of attribute selection

- Popular attribute selection measures:
 - Information gain (attributes assumed to be categorical)
 - Gini index (attributes assumed to be continuous)

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Impurity Criterion

Gini Index

$$I_G = 1 - \sum_{j=1}^c p_j^2$$

p_j : proportion of the samples that belongs to class c for a particular node

Entropy

$$I_H = - \sum_{j=1}^c p_j \log_2(p_j)$$

p_j : proportion of the samples that belongs to class c for a particular node.

*This is the the definition of entropy for all non-empty classes ($p \neq 0$). The entropy is 0 if all samples at a node belong to the same class.

<https://www.quora.com/What-is-difference-between-Gini-Impurity-and-Entropy-in-Decision-Tree>

Using info gain to quantify how good
“cutoffs” are

Example of using information gain as criterion

- Entropy – randomness or uncertainty of random variable X
- Assume binary classification problem (2 classes, + and -)
 - If all examples are + or all – then entropy = 0 (low)
 - If $\frac{1}{2}$ of examples are + and $\frac{1}{2}$ are – then entropy = 1 (high)
- Calculate entropy measure for each “attribute” -> calculate info gain
 - Information gain – expected reduction in entropy due to sorting on the “attribute” selected

Example of using info gain as criterion

- Predictors = columns A, B, C, D = attributes
- Target variable = Column E = class labels

Data

	A	B	C	D	E
1	4.8	3.4	1.9	0.2	positive
2	5	3	1.6	0.2	positive
3	5	3.4	1.6	0.4	positive
4	5.2	3.5	1.5	0.2	positive
5	5.2	3.4	1.4	0.2	positive
6	4.7	3.2	1.6	0.2	positive
7	4.8	3.1	1.6	0.2	positive
8	5.4	3.4	1.5	0.4	positive
9	7	3.2	4.7	1.4	negative
10	6.4	3.2	4.5	1.5	negative
11	6.9	3.1	4.9	1.5	negative
12	5.5	2.3	4	1.3	negative
13	6.5	2.8	4.6	1.5	negative
14	5.7	2.8	4.5	1.3	negative
15	6.3	3.3	4.7	1.6	negative
16	4.9	2.4	3.3	1	negative

Let's choose some random values/thresholds to categorize each attribute:

A	B	C	D
≥ 5	≥ 3.0	≥ 4.2	≥ 1.4
< 5	< 3.0	< 4.2	< 1.4

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Example of using info gain as criterion

- To calculate info gain for attribute:
 - 1. Calculate entropy of target
 - 2. Calculate entropy for attribute
 - 3. Calculate info gain = Entropy of target – Entropy of attribute

Calculating entropy of target

Data

	A	B	C	D	E
1	4.8	3.4	1.9	0.2	positive
2	5	3	1.6	0.2	positive
3	5	3.4	1.6	0.4	positive
4	5.2	3.5	1.5	0.2	positive
5	5.2	3.4	1.4	0.2	positive
6	4.7	3.2	1.6	0.2	positive
7	4.8	3.1	1.6	0.2	positive
8	5.4	3.4	1.5	0.4	positive
9	7	3.2	4.7	1.4	negative
10	6.4	3.2	4.5	1.5	negative
11	6.9	3.1	4.9	1.5	negative
12	5.5	2.3	4	1.3	negative
13	6.5	2.8	4.6	1.5	negative
14	5.7	2.8	4.5	1.3	negative
15	6.3	3.3	4.7	1.6	negative
16	4.9	2.4	3.3	1	negative

$$H(X) = \mathbb{E}_X[I(x)] = - \sum_{x \in \mathbb{X}} p(x) \log p(x).$$

The entropy of Target: We have 8 records with negative class and 8 records with positive class. So, we can directly estimate the entropy of target as 1.

Variable E	
Positive	Negative
8	8

Calculating entropy using formula:

$$\begin{aligned} E(8,8) &= -1 * ((p(+ve)*\log(p(+ve))) + (p(-ve)*\log(p(-ve)))) \\ &= -1*((8/16)*\log_2(8/16)) + (8/16) * \log_2(8/16)) \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Calculating info gain for attribute A

Data

	A	B	C	D	E
1	4.8	3.4	1.9	0.2	positive
2	5	3	1.6	0.2	positive
3	5	3.4	1.6	0.4	positive
4	5.2	3.5	1.5	0.2	positive
5	5.2	3.4	1.4	0.2	positive
6	4.7	3.2	1.6	0.2	positive
7	4.8	3.1	1.6	0.2	positive
8	5.4	3.4	1.5	0.4	positive
9	7	3.2	4.7	1.4	negative
10	6.4	3.2	4.5	1.5	negative
11	6.9	3.1	4.9	1.5	negative
12	5.5	2.3	4	1.3	negative
13	6.5	2.8	4.6	1.5	negative
14	5.7	2.8	4.5	1.3	negative
15	6.3	3.3	4.7	1.6	negative
16	4.9	2.4	3.3	1	negative

$$H(X) = \mathbb{E}_X[I(x)] = - \sum_{x \in \mathbb{X}} p(x) \log p(x).$$

Information gain for Var A

Var A has value ≥ 5 for 12 records out of 16 and 4 records with value < 5 value.

- For Var A ≥ 5 & class == positive: 5/12
- For Var A ≥ 5 & class == negative: 7/12
 - Entropy(5,7) = $-1 * ((5/12) * \log_2(5/12) + (7/12) * \log_2(7/12)) = 0.9799$
- For Var A < 5 & class == positive: 3/4
- For Var A < 5 & class == negative: 1/4
 - Entropy(3,1) = $-1 * ((3/4) * \log_2(3/4) + (1/4) * \log_2(1/4)) = 0.81128$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Entropy}(\text{Target}, A) &= P(\geq 5) * E(5,7) + P(< 5) * E(3,1) \\ &= (12/16) * 0.9799 + (4/16) * 0.81128 = 0.937745 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Information Gain(IG)} = E(\text{Target}) - E(\text{Target}, A) = 1 - 0.937745 = 0.062255$$

Calculating info gain for attribute B

Data

	A	B	C	D	E
1	4.8	3.4	1.9	0.2	positive
2	5	3	1.6	0.2	positive
3	5	3.4	1.6	0.4	positive
4	5.2	3.5	1.5	0.2	positive
5	5.2	3.4	1.4	0.2	positive
6	4.7	3.2	1.6	0.2	positive
7	4.8	3.1	1.6	0.2	positive
8	5.4	3.4	1.5	0.4	positive
9	7	3.2	4.7	1.4	negative
10	6.4	3.2	4.5	1.5	negative
11	6.9	3.1	4.9	1.5	negative
12	5.5	2.3	4	1.3	negative
13	6.5	2.8	4.6	1.5	negative
14	5.7	2.8	4.5	1.3	negative
15	6.3	3.3	4.7	1.6	negative
16	4.9	2.4	3.3	1	negative

$$H(X) = \mathbb{E}_X[I(x)] = - \sum_{x \in \mathbb{X}} p(x) \log p(x).$$

Information gain for Var B

Var B has value ≥ 3 for 12 records out of 16 and 4 records with value < 3 value.

- For Var B ≥ 3 & class == positive: 8/12
- For Var B ≥ 3 & class == negative: 4/12
 - Entropy(8,4) = $-1 * ((8/12) * \log_2(8/12) + (4/12) * \log_2(4/12)) = 0.39054$
- For Var B < 3 & class == positive: 0/4
- For Var B < 3 & class == negative: 4/4
 - Entropy(0,4) = $-1 * ((0/4) * \log_2(0/4) + (4/4) * \log_2(4/4)) = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Entropy}(\text{Target}, B) &= P(\geq 3) * E(8,4) + P(< 3) * E(0,4) \\ &= (12/16) * 0.39054 + (4/16) * 0 = 0.292905 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Information Gain(IG)} = E(\text{Target}) - E(\text{Target}, B) = 1 - 0.292905 = 0.707095$$

Calculating info gain for attribute C

$$H(X) = \mathbb{E}_X[I(x)] = - \sum_{x \in \mathbb{X}} p(x) \log p(x).$$

Data

	A	B	C	D	E
1	4.8	3.4	1.9	0.2	positive
2	5	3	1.6	0.2	positive
3	5	3.4	1.6	0.4	positive
4	5.2	3.5	1.5	0.2	positive
5	5.2	3.4	1.4	0.2	positive
6	4.7	3.2	1.6	0.2	positive
7	4.8	3.1	1.6	0.2	positive
8	5.4	3.4	1.5	0.4	positive
9	7	3.2	4.7	1.4	negative
10	6.4	3.2	4.5	1.5	negative
11	6.9	3.1	4.9	1.5	negative
12	5.5	2.3	4	1.3	negative
13	6.5	2.8	4.6	1.5	negative
14	5.7	2.8	4.5	1.3	negative
15	6.3	3.3	4.7	1.6	negative
16	4.9	2.4	3.3	1	negative

Information gain for Var C

Var C has value ≥ 4.2 for 6 records out of 16 and 10 records with value < 4.2 value.

- For Var C ≥ 4.2 & class == positive: 0/6
- For Var C ≥ 4.2 & class == negative: 6/6
 - Entropy(0,6) = 0
- For Var C < 4.2 & class == positive: 8/10
- For Var C < 4.2 & class == negative: 2/10
 - Entropy(8,2) = 0.72193

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Entropy}(\text{Target}, C) &= P(\geq 4.2) * E(0,6) + P(< 4.2) * E(8,2) \\ &= (6/16) * 0 + (10/16) * 0.72193 = 0.4512 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Information Gain(IG)} = E(\text{Target}) - E(\text{Target}, C) = 1 - 0.4512 = 0.5488$$

Calculating info gain for attribute D

$$H(X) = \mathbb{E}_X[I(x)] = - \sum_{x \in \mathbb{X}} p(x) \log p(x).$$

Data

	A	B	C	D	E
1	4.8	3.4	1.9	0.2	positive
2	5	3	1.6	0.2	positive
3	5	3.4	1.6	0.4	positive
4	5.2	3.5	1.5	0.2	positive
5	5.2	3.4	1.4	0.2	positive
6	4.7	3.2	1.6	0.2	positive
7	4.8	3.1	1.6	0.2	positive
8	5.4	3.4	1.5	0.4	positive
9	7	3.2	4.7	1.4	negative
10	6.4	3.2	4.5	1.5	negative
11	6.9	3.1	4.9	1.5	negative
12	5.5	2.3	4	1.3	negative
13	6.5	2.8	4.6	1.5	negative
14	5.7	2.8	4.5	1.3	negative
15	6.3	3.3	4.7	1.6	negative
16	4.9	2.4	3.3	1	negative

Information gain for Var D

Var D has value ≥ 1.4 for 5 records out of 16 and 11 records with value < 1.4 .

- For Var D ≥ 1.4 & class == positive: 0/5
- For Var D ≥ 1.4 & class == negative: 5/5
 - Entropy(0,5) = 0
- For Var D < 1.4 & class == positive: 8/11
- For Var D < 1.4 & class == negative: 3/11
 - Entropy(8,3) = $-1 * ((8/11) * \log_2(8/11) + (3/11) * \log_2(3/11)) = 0.84532$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Entropy}(\text{Target}, D) &= P(\geq 1.4) * E(0,5) + P(< 1.4) * E(8,3) \\ &= 5/16 * 0 + (11/16) * 0.84532 = 0.5811575 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Information Gain(IG)} = E(\text{Target}) - E(\text{Target}, D) = 1 - 0.5811575 = 0.4188425$$

Summary of calculations

		Target	
		Positive	Negative
A	≥ 5.0	5	7
	< 5	3	1
Information Gain of A = 0.062255			

		Target	
		Positive	Negative
B	≥ 3.0	8	4
	< 3.0	0	4
Information Gain of B= 0.7070795			

		Target	
		Positive	Negative
C	≥ 4.2	0	6
	< 4.2	8	2
Information Gain of C= 0.5488			

		Target	
		Positive	Negative
D	≥ 1.4	0	5
	< 1.4	8	3
Information Gain of D= 0.41189			

Constructing decision tree

- Now we know info gain from choosing current cutoffs (previous slide), we can build decision tree
- How to construct tree?
 - More info gain -> Better/higher node
 - Entropy == 0 -> Leaf node
 - Entropy > 0 -> Node needs further splitting

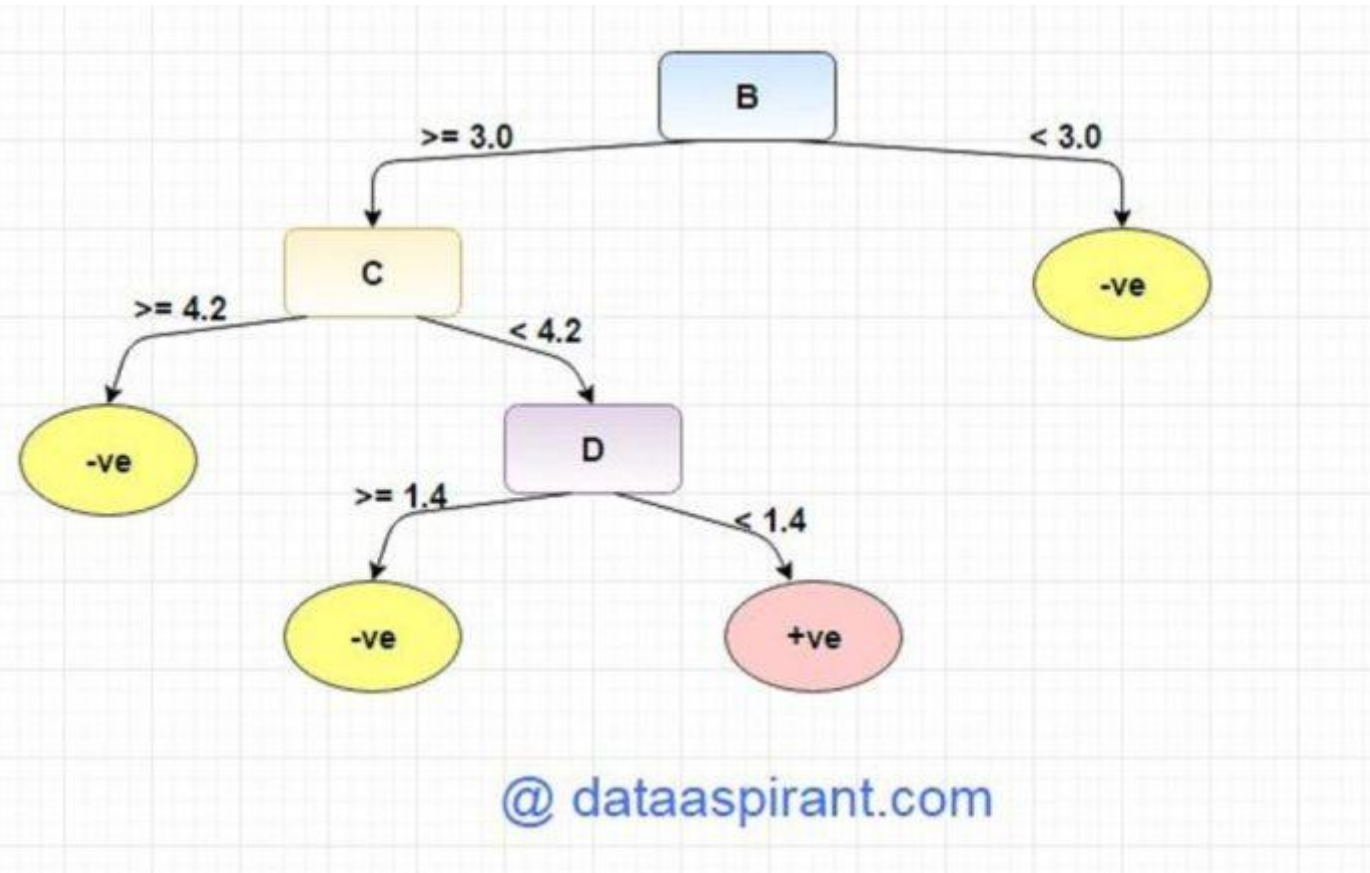
Constructing decision tree

		Target	
		Positive	Negative
A	≥ 5.0	5	7
	< 5.0	3	1
Information Gain of A = 0.062255			

		Target	
		Positive	Negative
B	≥ 3.0	8	4
	< 3.0	0	4
Information Gain of B = 0.7070795			

		Target	
		Positive	Negative
C	≥ 4.2	0	6
	< 4.2	8	2
Information Gain of C = 0.5488			

		Target	
		Positive	Negative
D	≥ 1.4	0	5
	< 1.4	8	3
Information Gain of D = 0.41189			



Using gini index to quantify how good
“cutoffs” are

Example of using gini index as criterion

- Gini index – metric that measures how often a randomly chosen element is correctly identified
 - Means attributes with lower gini index are preferred

Gini Formula

$$I_G = 1 - \sum_{j=1}^c p_j^2$$

— . . . —

Example of using gini index as criterion

Let's assume previous set of data and random choice of thresholds

Data

	A	B	C	D	E
1	4.8	3.4	1.9	0.2	positive
2	5	3	1.6	0.2	positive
3	5	3.4	1.6	0.4	positive
4	5.2	3.5	1.5	0.2	positive
5	5.2	3.4	1.4	0.2	positive
6	4.7	3.2	1.6	0.2	positive
7	4.8	3.1	1.6	0.2	positive
8	5.4	3.4	1.5	0.4	positive
9	7	3.2	4.7	1.4	negative
10	6.4	3.2	4.5	1.5	negative
11	6.9	3.1	4.9	1.5	negative
12	5.5	2.3	4	1.3	negative
13	6.5	2.8	4.6	1.5	negative
14	5.7	2.8	4.5	1.3	negative
15	6.3	3.3	4.7	1.6	negative
16	4.9	2.4	3.3	1	negative

Let's choose some random values/thresholds to categorize each attribute:

A	B	C	D
≥ 5	≥ 3.0	≥ 4.2	≥ 1.4
< 5	< 3.0	< 4.2	< 1.4

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Calculating gini index for variable A

Data

	A	B	C	D	E
1	4.8	3.4	1.9	0.2	positive
2	5	3	1.6	0.2	positive
3	5	3.4	1.6	0.4	positive
4	5.2	3.5	1.5	0.2	positive
5	5.2	3.4	1.4	0.2	positive
6	4.7	3.2	1.6	0.2	positive
7	4.8	3.1	1.6	0.2	positive
8	5.4	3.4	1.5	0.4	positive
9	7	3.2	4.7	1.4	negative
10	6.4	3.2	4.5	1.5	negative
11	6.9	3.1	4.9	1.5	negative
12	5.5	2.3	4	1.3	negative
13	6.5	2.8	4.6	1.5	negative
14	5.7	2.8	4.5	1.3	negative
15	6.3	3.3	4.7	1.6	negative
16	4.9	2.4	3.3	1	negative

Gini Index for Var A

Var A has value ≥ 5 for 12 records out of 16 and 4 records with value < 5 value.

- For Var A ≥ 5 & class == positive: 5/12
- For Var A ≥ 5 & class == negative: 7/12
 - $\text{gini}(5,7) = 1 - ((5/12)^2 + (7/12)^2) = 0.4860$
- For Var A < 5 & class == positive: 3/4
- For Var A < 5 & class == negative: 1/4
 - $\text{gini}(3,1) = 1 - ((3/4)^2 + (1/4)^2) = 0.375$

By adding weight and sum each of the gini indices:

$$\text{gini}(\text{Target}, A) = (12/16) * (0.486) + (4/16) * (0.375) = 0.45825$$

Calculating gini index for variable B

Data

	A	B	C	D	E
1	4.8	3.4	1.9	0.2	positive
2	5	3	1.6	0.2	positive
3	5	3.4	1.6	0.4	positive
4	5.2	3.5	1.5	0.2	positive
5	5.2	3.4	1.4	0.2	positive
6	4.7	3.2	1.6	0.2	positive
7	4.8	3.1	1.6	0.2	positive
8	5.4	3.4	1.5	0.4	positive
9	7	3.2	4.7	1.4	negative
10	6.4	3.2	4.5	1.5	negative
11	6.9	3.1	4.9	1.5	negative
12	5.5	2.3	4	1.3	negative
13	6.5	2.8	4.6	1.5	negative
14	5.7	2.8	4.5	1.3	negative
15	6.3	3.3	4.7	1.6	negative
16	4.9	2.4	3.3	1	negative

Gini Index for Var B

Var B has value ≥ 3 for 12 records out of 16 and 4 records with value < 3 value.

- For Var B ≥ 3 & class == positive: 8/12
 - $\text{gini}(8,4) = 1 - ((8/12)^2 + (4/12)^2) = 0.446$
- For Var B ≥ 3 & class == negative: 4/12
- For Var B < 3 & class == positive: 0/4
- For Var B < 3 & class == negative: 4/4
 - $\text{gini}(0,4) = 1 - ((0/4)^2 + (4/4)^2) = 0$

$$\text{gini}(\text{Target}, B) = (12/16) * 0.446 + (4/16) * 0 = 0.3345$$

Calculating gini index for variable C

Data

	A	B	C	D	E
1	4.8	3.4	1.9	0.2	positive
2	5	3	1.6	0.2	positive
3	5	3.4	1.6	0.4	positive
4	5.2	3.5	1.5	0.2	positive
5	5.2	3.4	1.4	0.2	positive
6	4.7	3.2	1.6	0.2	positive
7	4.8	3.1	1.6	0.2	positive
8	5.4	3.4	1.5	0.4	positive
9	7	3.2	4.7	1.4	negative
10	6.4	3.2	4.5	1.5	negative
11	6.9	3.1	4.9	1.5	negative
12	5.5	2.3	4	1.3	negative
13	6.5	2.8	4.6	1.5	negative
14	5.7	2.8	4.5	1.3	negative
15	6.3	3.3	4.7	1.6	negative
16	4.9	2.4	3.3	1	negative

Gini Index for Var C

Var C has value ≥ 4.2 for 6 records out of 16 and 10 records with value < 4.2 value.

- For Var C ≥ 4.2 & class == positive: 0/6
- For Var C ≥ 4.2 & class == negative: 6/6
 - $\text{gini}(0,6) = 1 - ((0/6)^2 + (6/6)^2) = 0$
- For Var C < 4.2 & class == positive: 8/10
- For Var C < 4.2 & class == negative: 2/10
 - $\text{gini}(8,2) = 1 - ((8/10)^2 + (2/10)^2) = 0.32$

$$\text{gini}(\text{Target}, C) = (6/16) * 0 + (10/16) * 0.32 = 0.2$$

Calculating gini index for variable D

Data

	A	B	C	D	E
1	4.8	3.4	1.9	0.2	positive
2	5	3	1.6	0.2	positive
3	5	3.4	1.6	0.4	positive
4	5.2	3.5	1.5	0.2	positive
5	5.2	3.4	1.4	0.2	positive
6	4.7	3.2	1.6	0.2	positive
7	4.8	3.1	1.6	0.2	positive
8	5.4	3.4	1.5	0.4	positive
9	7	3.2	4.7	1.4	negative
10	6.4	3.2	4.5	1.5	negative
11	6.9	3.1	4.9	1.5	negative
12	5.5	2.3	4	1.3	negative
13	6.5	2.8	4.6	1.5	negative
14	5.7	2.8	4.5	1.3	negative
15	6.3	3.3	4.7	1.6	negative
16	4.9	2.4	3.3	1	negative

Gini Index for Var D

Var D has value ≥ 1.4 for 5 records out of 16 and 11 records with value < 1.4 value.

- For Var D ≥ 1.4 & class == positive: 0/5
- For Var D ≥ 1.4 & class == negative: 5/5
 - $\text{gini}(0,5) = 1 - ((0/5)^2 + (5/5)^2) = 0$
- For Var D < 1.4 & class == positive: 8/11
- For Var D < 1.4 & class == negative: 3/11
 - $\text{gini}(8,3) = 1 - ((8/11)^2 + (3/11)^2) = 0.397$

$$\text{gini}(\text{Target}, D) = (5/16) * 0 + (11/16) * 0.397 = 0.273$$

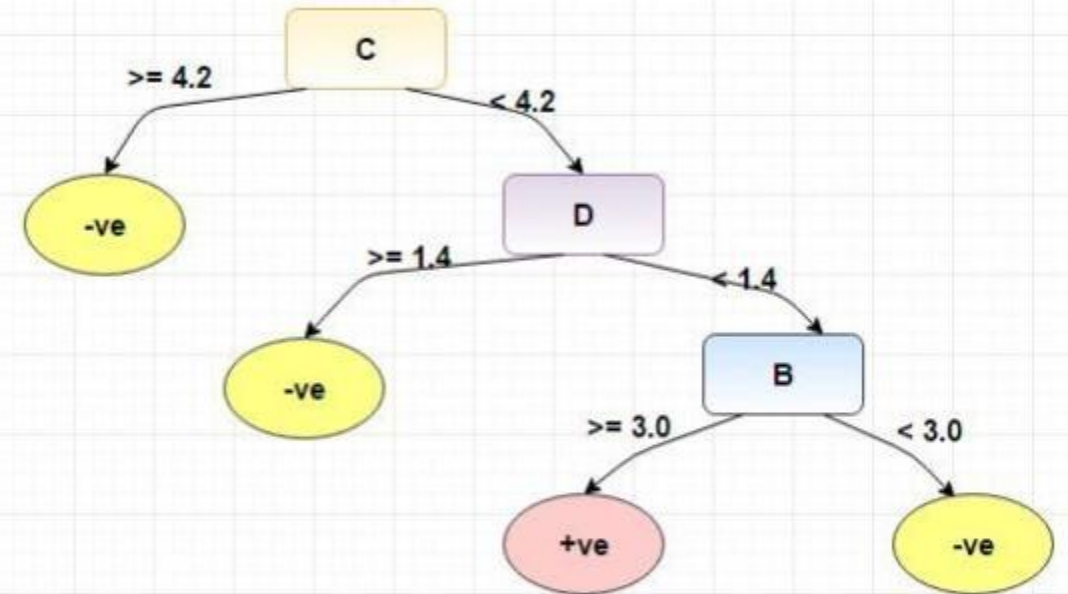
Constructing decision tree from gini index

		wTarget	
		Positive	Negative
A	≥ 5.0	5	7
	< 5	3	1
Gini Index of A = 0.45825			

		Target	
		Positive	Negative
B	≥ 3.0	8	4
	< 3.0	0	4
Gini Index of B = 0.3345			

		Target	
		Positive	Negative
C	≥ 4.2	0	6
	< 4.2	8	2
Gini Index of C = 0.2			

		Target	
		Positive	Negative
D	≥ 1.4	0	5
	< 1.4	8	3
Gini Index of D = 0.273			



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Remember: Lower gini index = better/more desirable

Doing research to predict something by yourself is hard... but doing research with a team of people is easier

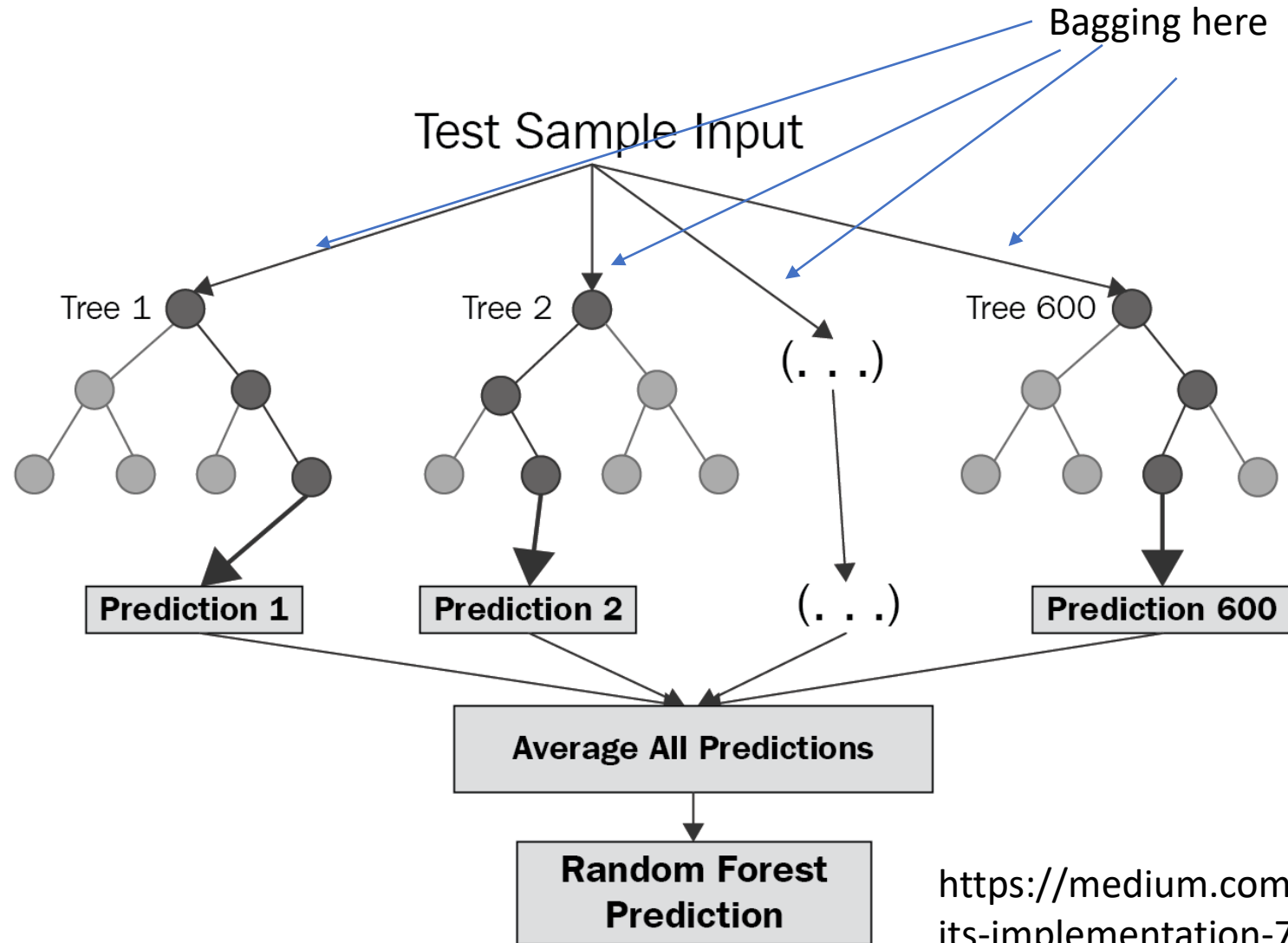
One decision tree -> accuracy not great...but
multiple decision trees -> higher accuracy

Thus -> use random forests

What's a random forest?

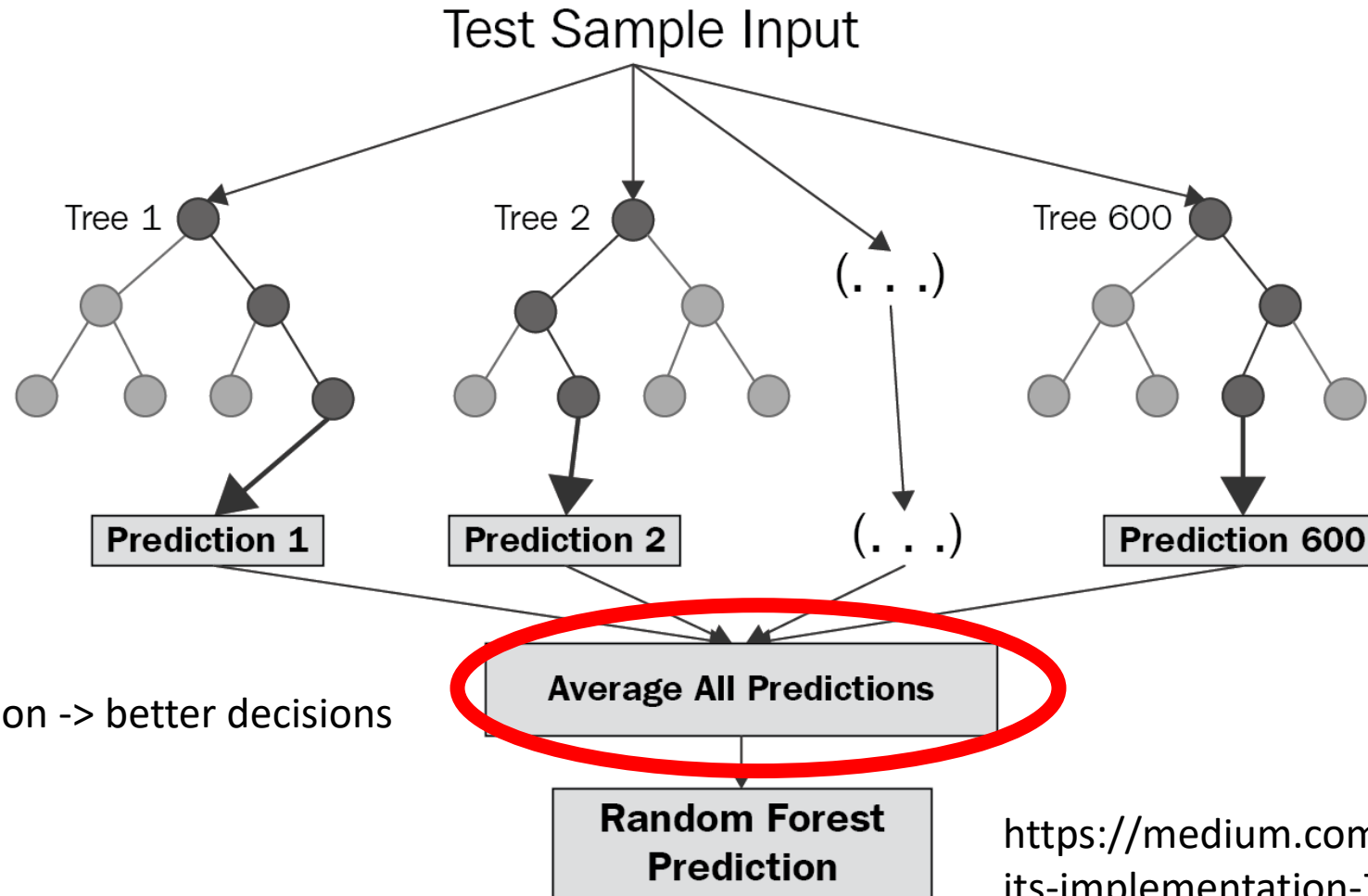
- TLDR: Classification technique that combines/averages results from multiple decision trees where input data for each decision tree comes from random sampling with replacement (bootstrap aggregation/bagging)
 - Why bagging? -> generates data sets that have low variance
 - Why combine results from multiple decision trees? Improves accuracy
- “A random forest is a meta estimator that fits a number of classifying decision trees on various sub-samples of the dataset and uses averaging to improve the predictive accuracy and control over-fitting” (<https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.ensemble.RandomForestRegressor.html>)
 - Meta-estimator – combines results of multiple predictions

Visualization of random forest



<https://medium.com/swlh/random-forest-and-its-implementation-71824ced454f>

How does random forest work?



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Code

- pIC50 prediction (drug potency prediction) using scikit-learn

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