



MACHINE LEARNING WITH TREE-BASED MODELS IN PYTHON

Decision-Tree for Classification

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Course Overview

- **Chap 1:** Classification And Regression Tree (CART)
- **Chap 2:** The Bias-Variance Tradeoff
- **Chap 3:** Bagging and Random Forests
- **Chap 4:** Boosting
- **Chap 5:** Model Tuning



Classification-tree

- Sequence of if-else questions about individual features.
- **Objective:** infer class labels.
- Able to capture non-linear relationships between features and labels.
- Don't require feature scaling (ex: Standardization, ..)

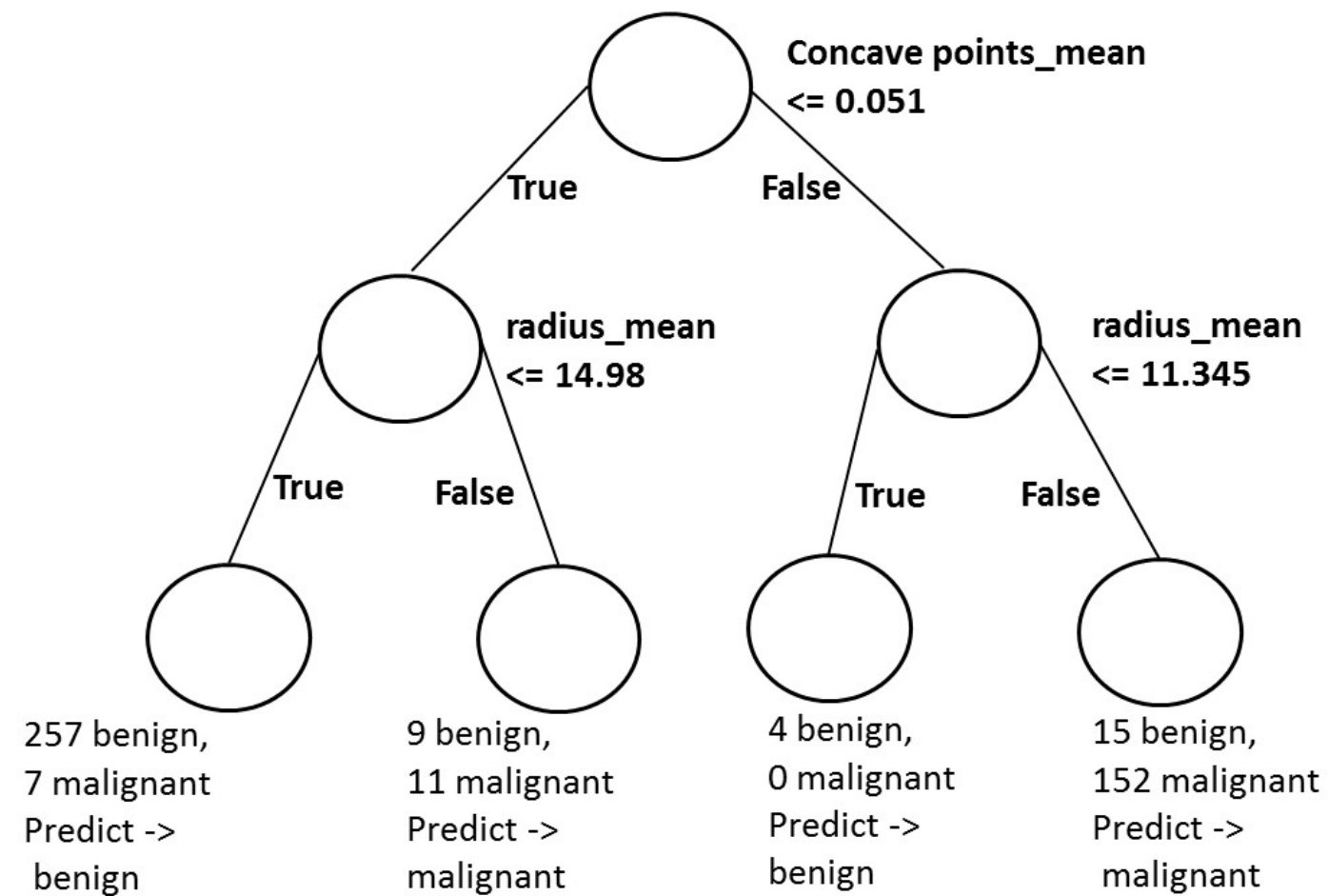


Breast Cancer Dataset in 2D





Decision-tree Diagram



Classification-tree in scikit-learn

```
# Import DecisionTreeClassifier
In [1]: from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier

# Import train_test_split
In [2]: from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

# Import accuracy_score
In [3]: from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score

# Split dataset into 80% train, 20% test
In [4]: X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test= train_test_split(X, y,
                                                         test_size=0.2,
                                                         stratify=y,
                                                         random_state=1)

# Instantiate dt
In [5]: dt = DecisionTreeClassifier(max_depth=2, random_state=1)
```



Classification-tree in scikit-learn

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# Fit dt to the training set
In [6]: dt.fit(X_train,y_train)

# Predict test set labels
In [7]: y_pred = dt.predict(X_test)

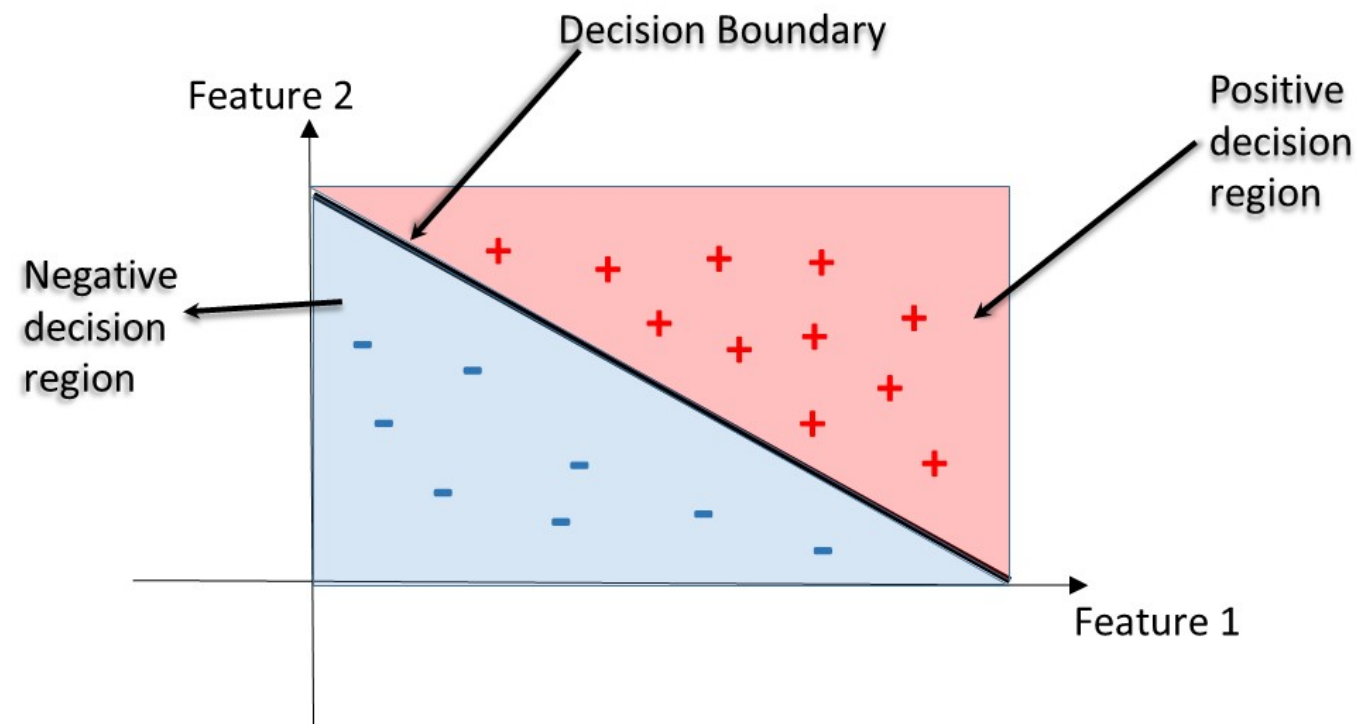
# Evaluate test-set accuracy
In [8]: accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)

Out[8]: 0.90350877192982459
```

Decision Regions

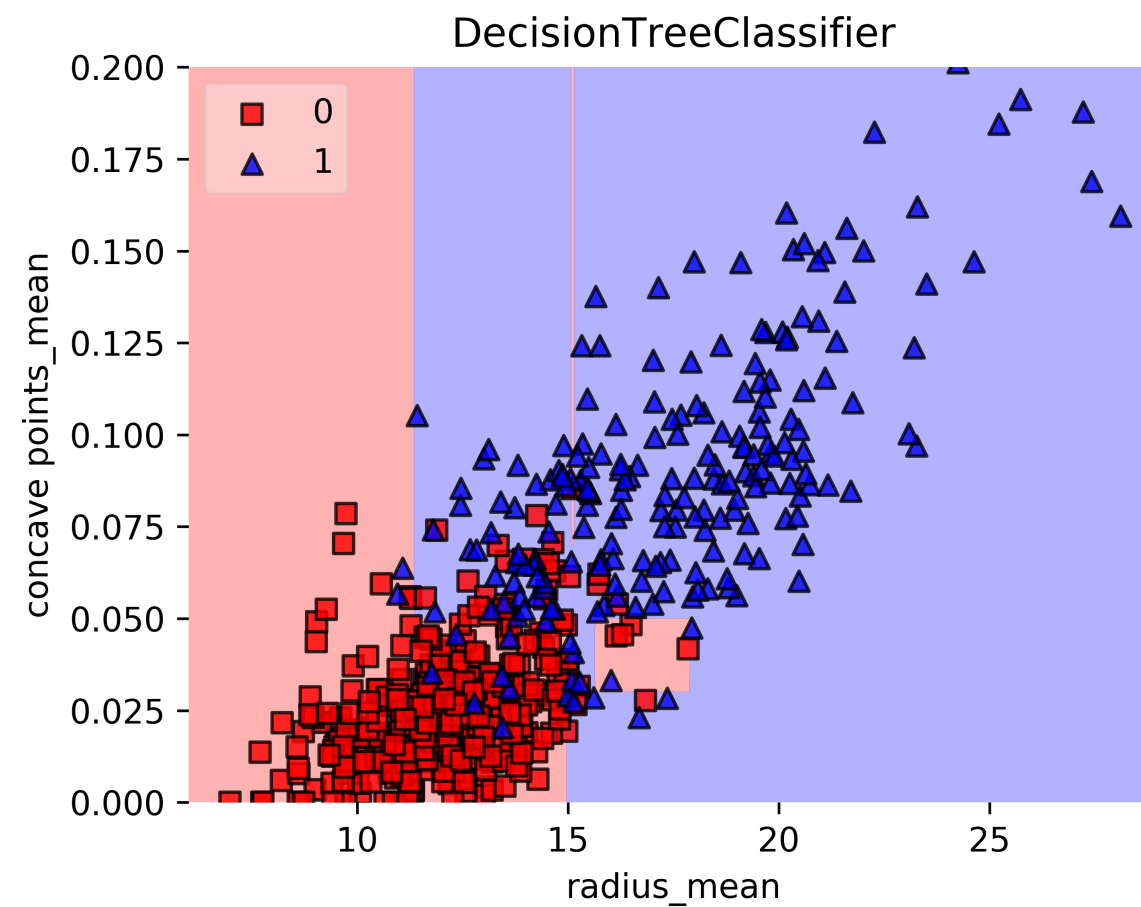
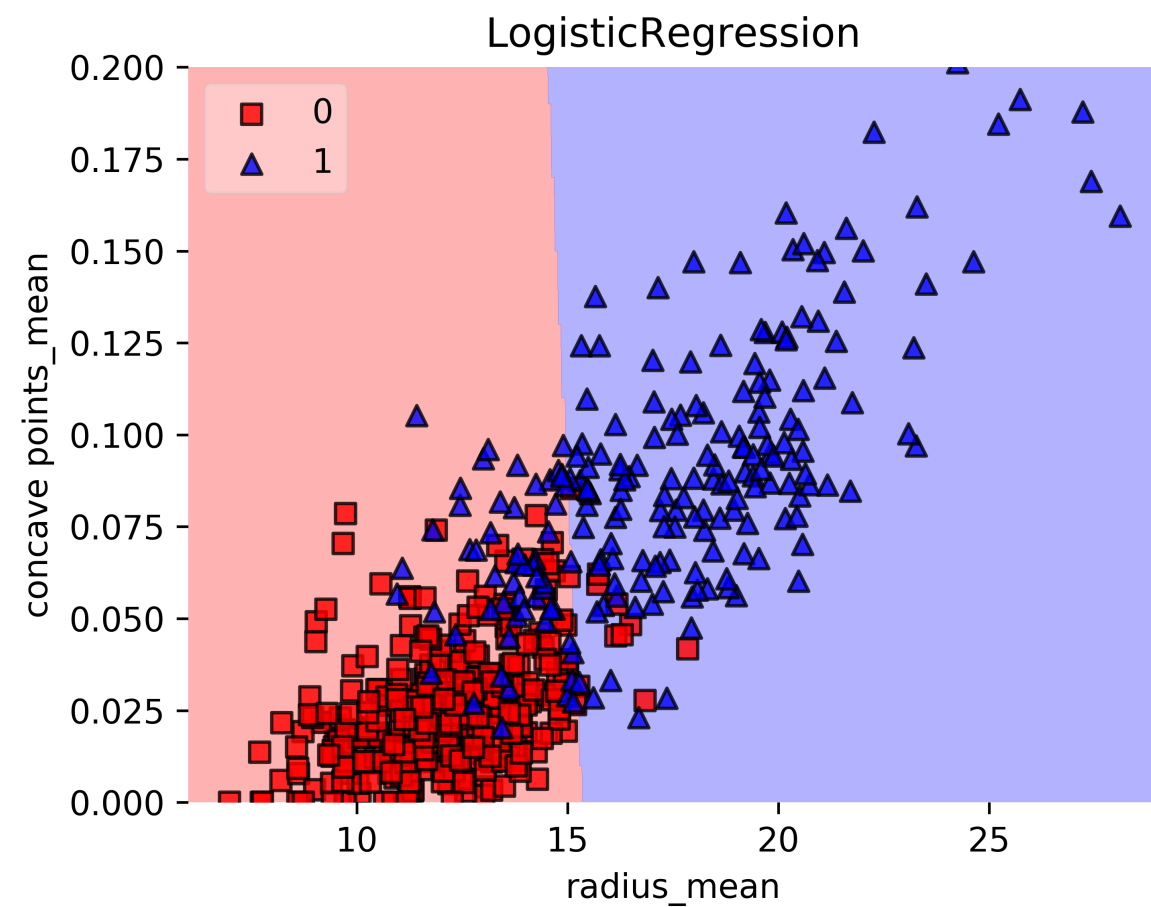
Decision region: region in the feature space where all instances are assigned to one class label.

Decision Boundary: surface separating different decision regions.





Decision Regions: CART vs. Linear Model





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Building Blocks of a Decision-Tree

- **Decision-Tree:** data structure consisting of a hierarchy of nodes.
- **Node:** question or prediction.



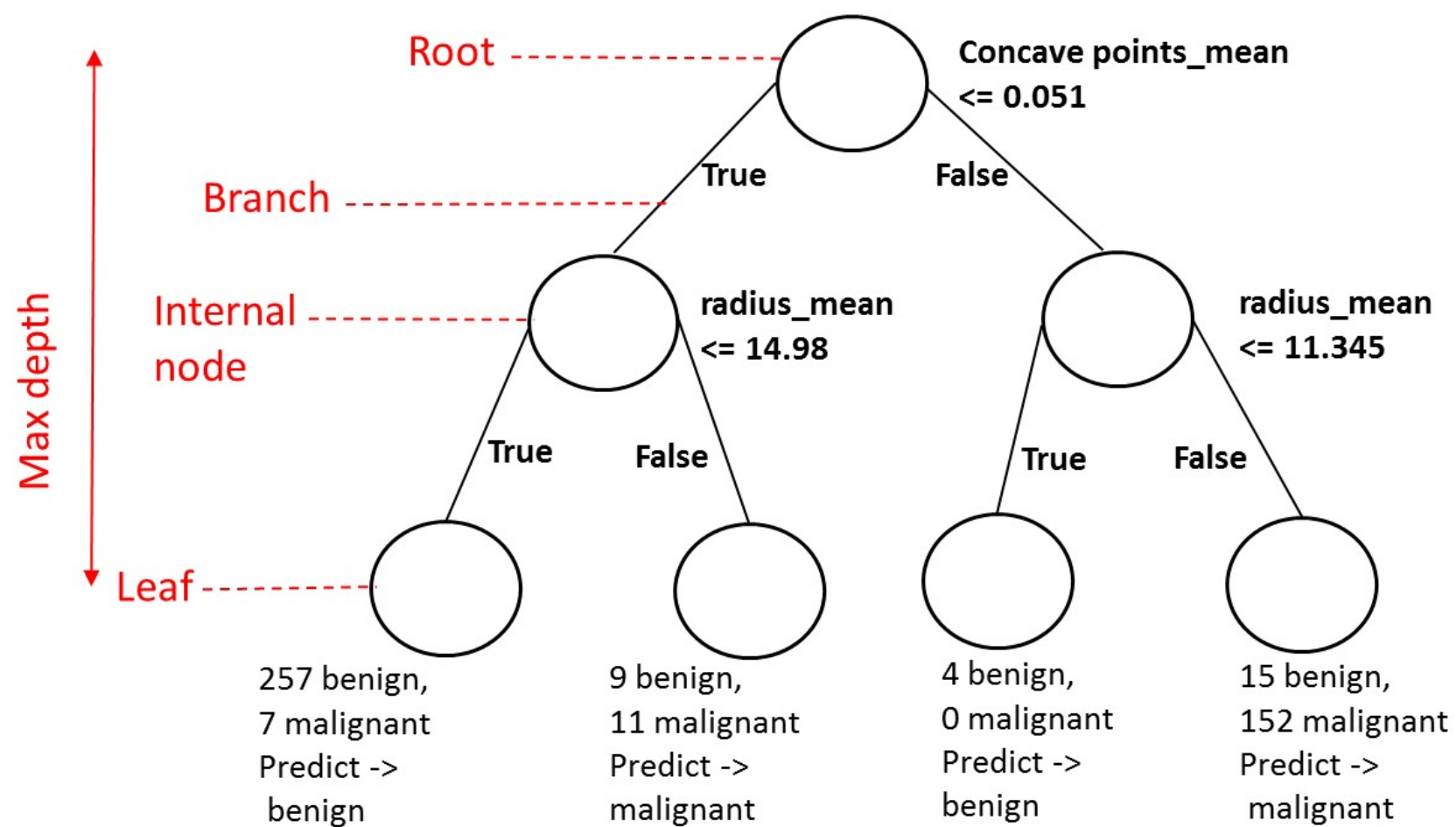
Building Blocks of a Decision-Tree

Three kinds of nodes:

- **Root:** *no* parent node, question giving rise to *two* children nodes.
- **Internal node:** *one* parent node, question giving rise to *two* children nodes.
- **Leaf:** *one* parent node, *no* children nodes --> *prediction*.

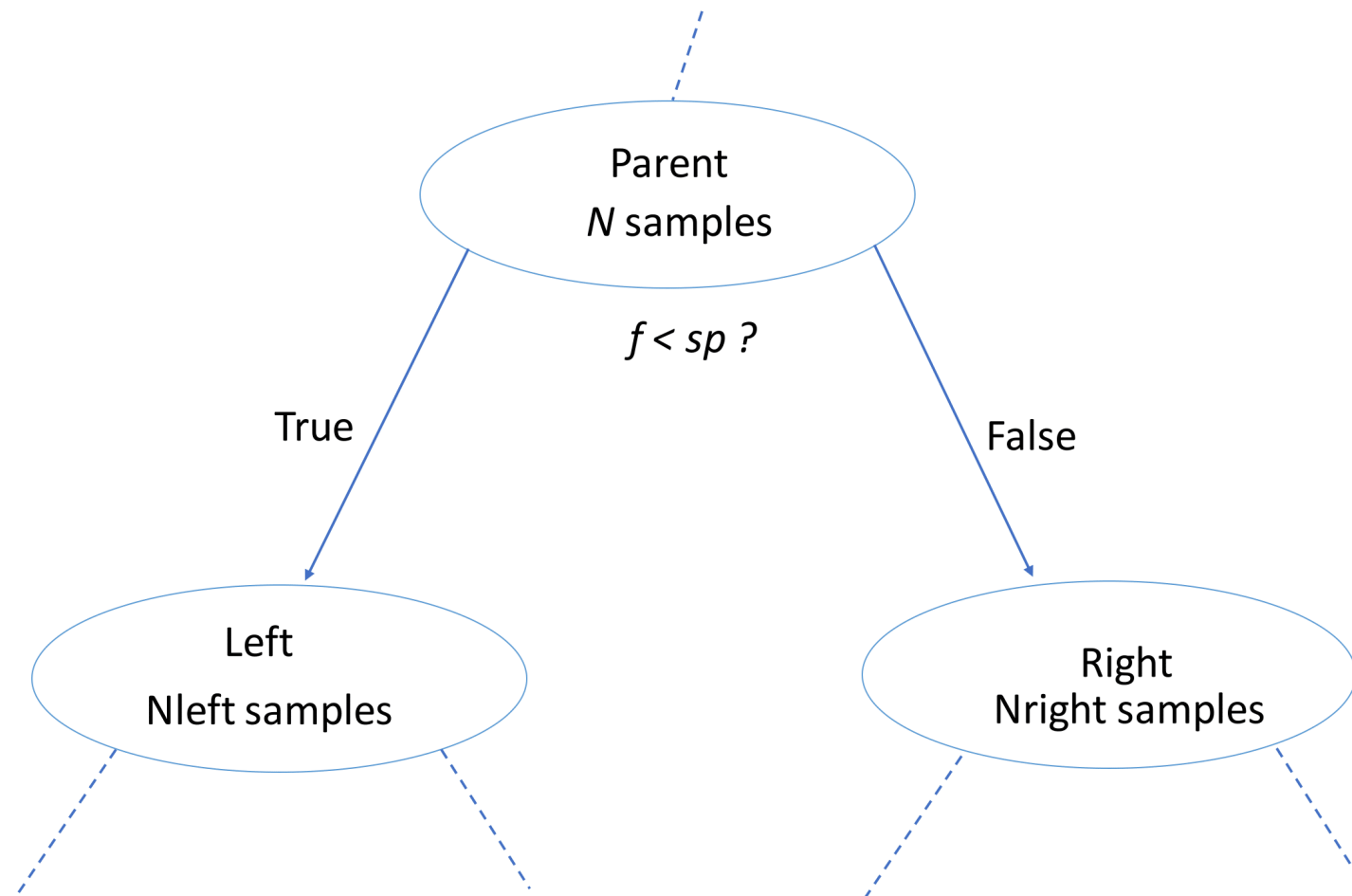


Prediction





Information Gain (IG)





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$$IG(\underbrace{f}_{\text{feature}}, \underbrace{sp}_{\text{split-point}}) = I(\text{parent}) - \left(\frac{N_{\text{left}}}{N} I(\text{left}) + \frac{N_{\text{right}}}{N} I(\text{right}) \right)$$

Criteria to measure the impurity of a node $I(\text{node})$:

- gini index,
- entropy. ...



Classification-Tree Learning

- Nodes are grown recursively.
- At each node, split the data based on:
 - feature f and split-point sp to maximize $IG(\text{node})$.
- If $IG(\text{node}) = 0$, declare the node a leaf.
- ...



Information Criterion in scikit-learn (Breast Cancer dataset)

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In [4]: X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test= train_test_split(X, y,
                                                         test_size=0.2,
                                                         stratify=y,
                                                         random_state=1)

# Instantiate dt, set 'criterion' to 'gini'
In [5]: dt = DecisionTreeClassifier(criterion='gini', random_state=1)
```



Information Criterion in scikit-learn

```
# Fit dt to the training set
In [6]: dt.fit(X_train,y_train)

# Predict test-set labels
In [7]: y_pred= dt.predict(X_test)

# Evaluate test-set accuracy
In [8]: accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)

Out[8]: 0.92105263157894735
```



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Decision-Tree for Regression

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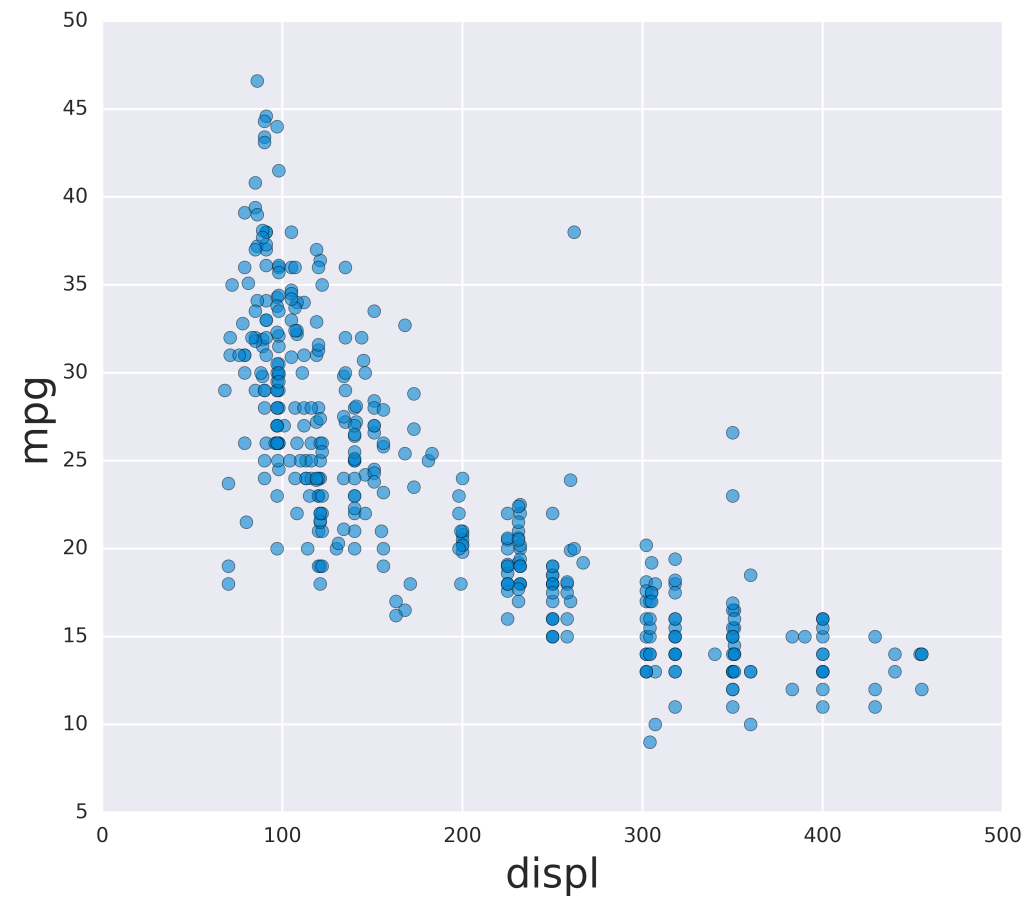


Auto-mpg Dataset

	mpg	displ	hp	weight	accel	origin	size
0	18.0	250.0	88	3139	14.5	US	15.0
1	9.0	304.0	193	4732	18.5	US	20.0
2	36.1	91.0	60	1800	16.4	Asia	10.0
3	18.5	250.0	98	3525	19.0	US	15.0
4	34.3	97.0	78	2188	15.8	Europe	10.0
5	32.9	119.0	100	2615	14.8	Asia	10.0



Auto-mpg with one feature



Regression-Tree in scikit-learn

```
# Import DecisionTreeRegressor
In [1]: from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeRegressor

# Import train_test_split
In [2]: from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

# Import mean_squared_error as MSE
In [3]: from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error as MSE

# Split data into 80% train and 20% test
In [4]: X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test= train_test_split(X, y,
                                                         test_size=0.2,
                                                         random_state=3)

# Instantiate a DecisionTreeRegressor 'dt'
In [5]: dt = DecisionTreeRegressor(max_depth=4,
                                   min_samples_leaf=0.1,
                                   random_state=3)
```




Regression-Tree in scikit-learn

```
# Fit 'dt' to the training-set
In [6]: dt.fit(X_train, y_train)

# Predict test-set labels
In [7]: y_pred = dt.predict(X_test)

# Compute test-set MSE
In [8]: mse_dt = MSE(y_test, y_pred)

# Compute test-set RMSE
In [9]: rmse_dt = mse_dt**(1/2)

# Print rmse_dt
In [10]: print(rmse_dt)

Out[10]: 5.1023068889
```



Information Criterion for Regression-Tree

$$I(\text{node}) = \underbrace{\text{MSE}(\text{node})}_{\text{mean-squared-error}} = \frac{1}{N_{\text{node}}} \sum_{i \in \text{node}} \left(y^{(i)} - \hat{y}_{\text{node}} \right)^2$$

$$\underbrace{\hat{y}_{\text{node}}}_{\text{mean-target-value}} = \frac{1}{N_{\text{node}}} \sum_{i \in \text{node}} y^{(i)}$$

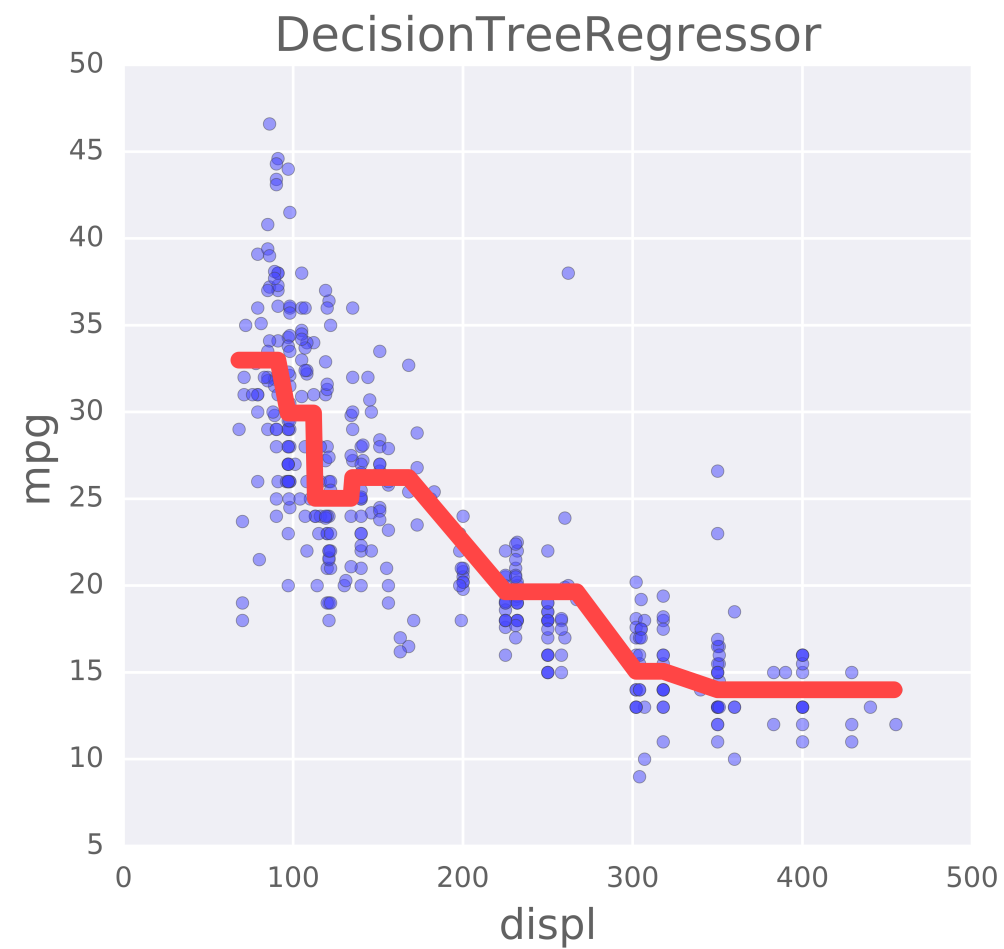
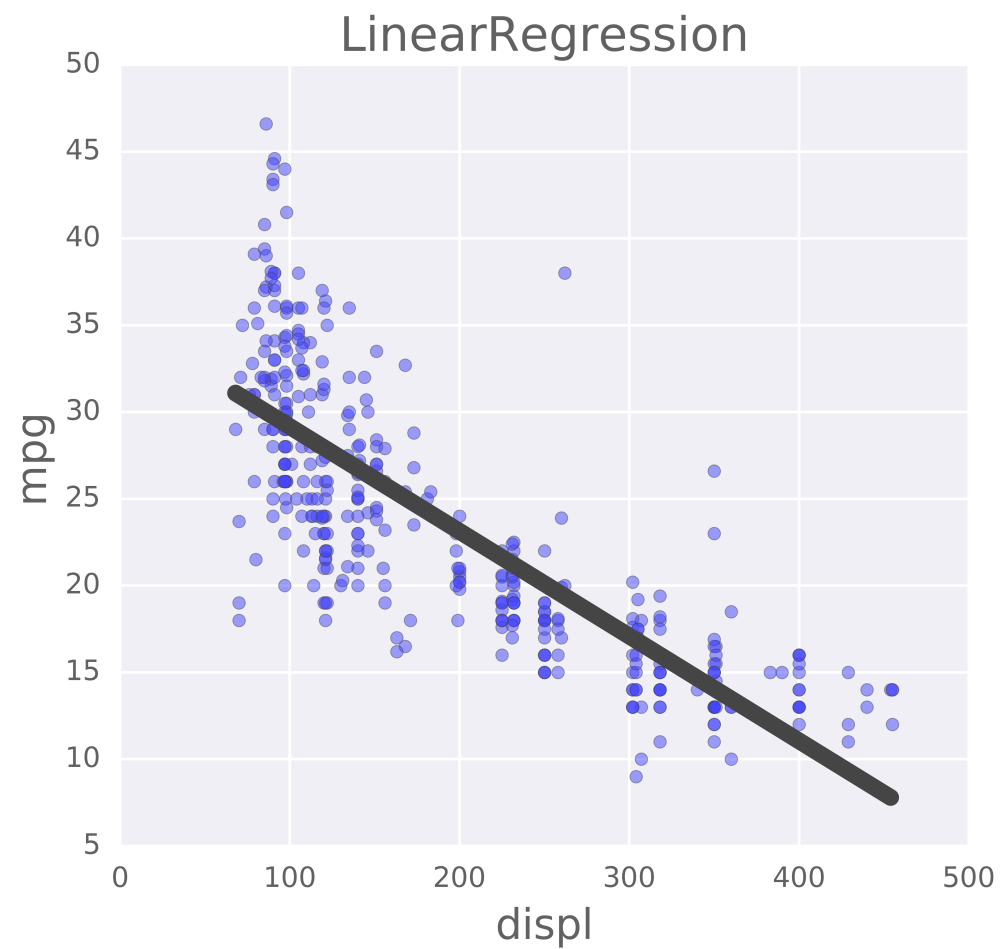


Prediction

$$\hat{y}_{pred}(\text{leaf}) = \frac{1}{N_{\text{leaf}}} \sum_{i \in \text{leaf}} y^{(i)}$$



Linear Regression vs. Regression-Tree





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