# **Classification Trees**

#### Ex. MLB

```
library(ISLR)
names(Hitters)
```

```
"Runs"
  [1] "AtBat"
                  "Hits"
                             "HmRun"
##
   [6] "Walks"
                                        "CHits"
##
                 "Years"
                             "CAtBat"
                             "CWalks"
                                        "League"
  [11] "CRuns"
                 "CRBI"
##
## [16] "PutOuts" "Assists"
                                        "Salary"
                             "Errors"
```

Can we predict the league that a player is in based on his other variables?



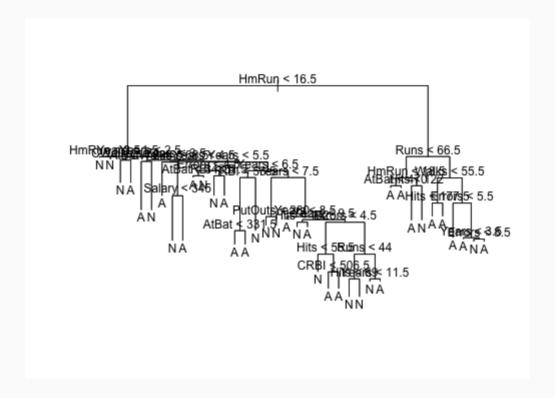
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#### Fitting a tree

```
## [1] "tree"
```

**Default stopping rule**: stop splitting when terminal nodes get too small.

### Fitting a tree, cont.



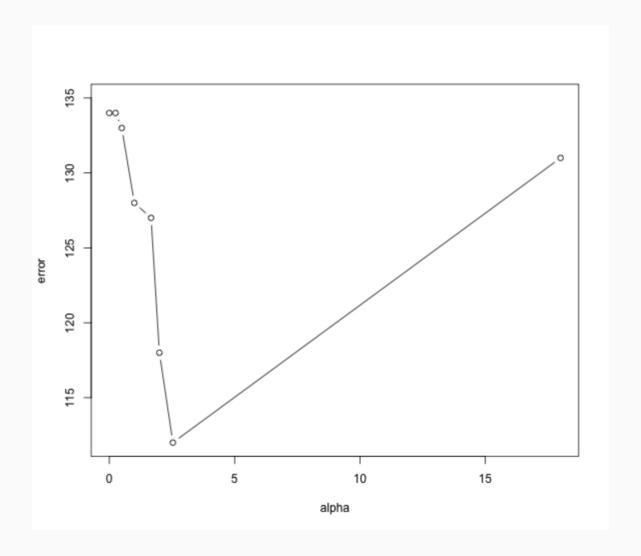
Too much?

#### **Cost-complexity pruning**

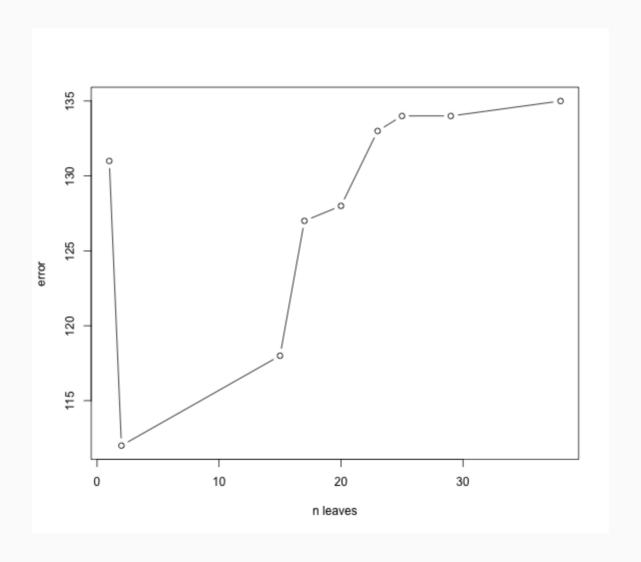
Assess the performance of many trees with size indexed by  $\alpha$  via 10-fold cross-validation on misclassification rate.

```
set.seed(40)
t1cv <- cv.tree(t1, FUN = prune.misclass)</pre>
t1cv
## $size
## [1] 38 29 25 23 20 17 15 2 1
##
## $dev
## [1] 135 134 134 133 128 127 118 112 131
##
## $k
## [1]
            -Inf 0.000000 0.250000 0.500000 1.000000
## [8] 2.538462 18.000000
##
## $method
```

# Alpha vs Error

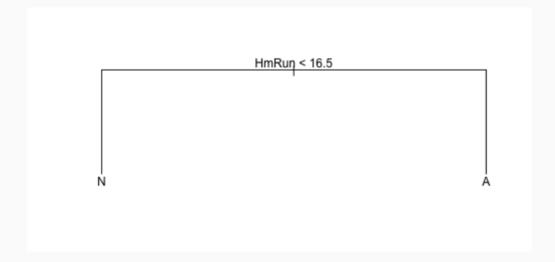


## Size vs Error



#### Prune the tree

```
t1cv$size[which.min(t1cv$dev)]
## [1] 2
t1prune <- prune.misclass(t1, best = 2)</pre>
```



#### **Activity 4: Off in the distance**

Return to your Lab 4, where you fit Logistic and an LDA model for the civil wars data set. In a new .Rmd file, add a new classification tree that has been pruned back.

- 1. What is the training misclassification rate? (code for creating the confusion matrix can be found on p. 327 of your book)
- 2. How does this rate compare to the other classification models that you used in Lab 4? Why do you think this is?