

# Decision Trees

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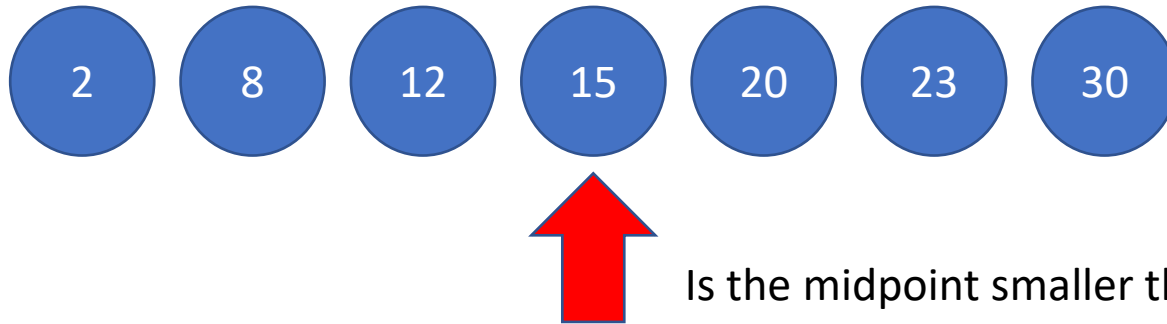
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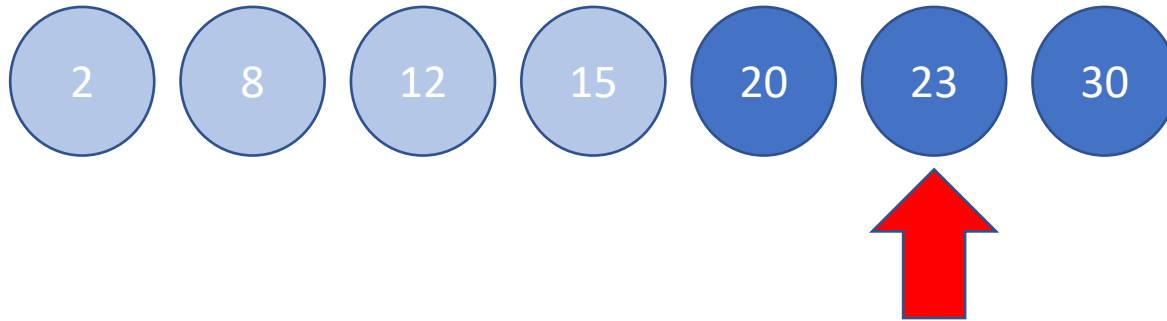
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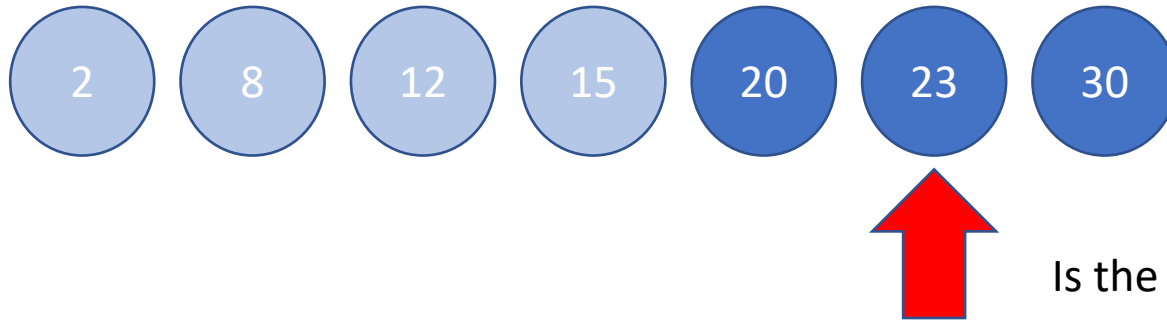
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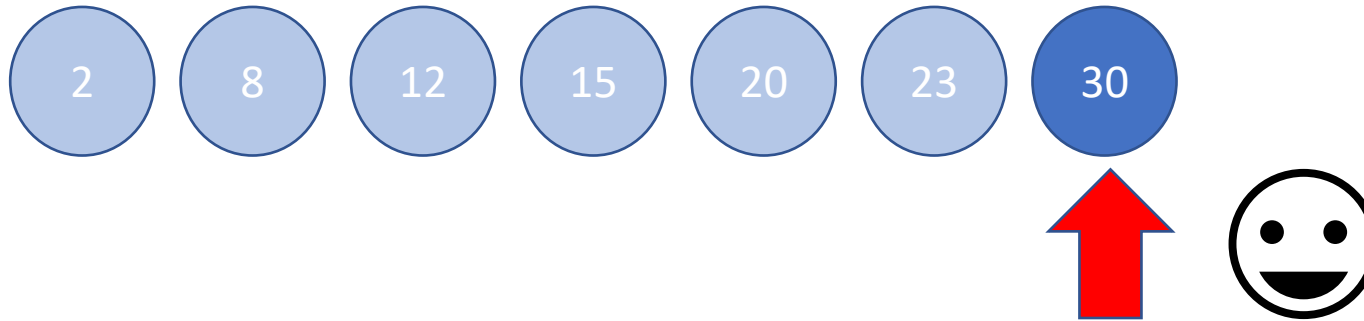


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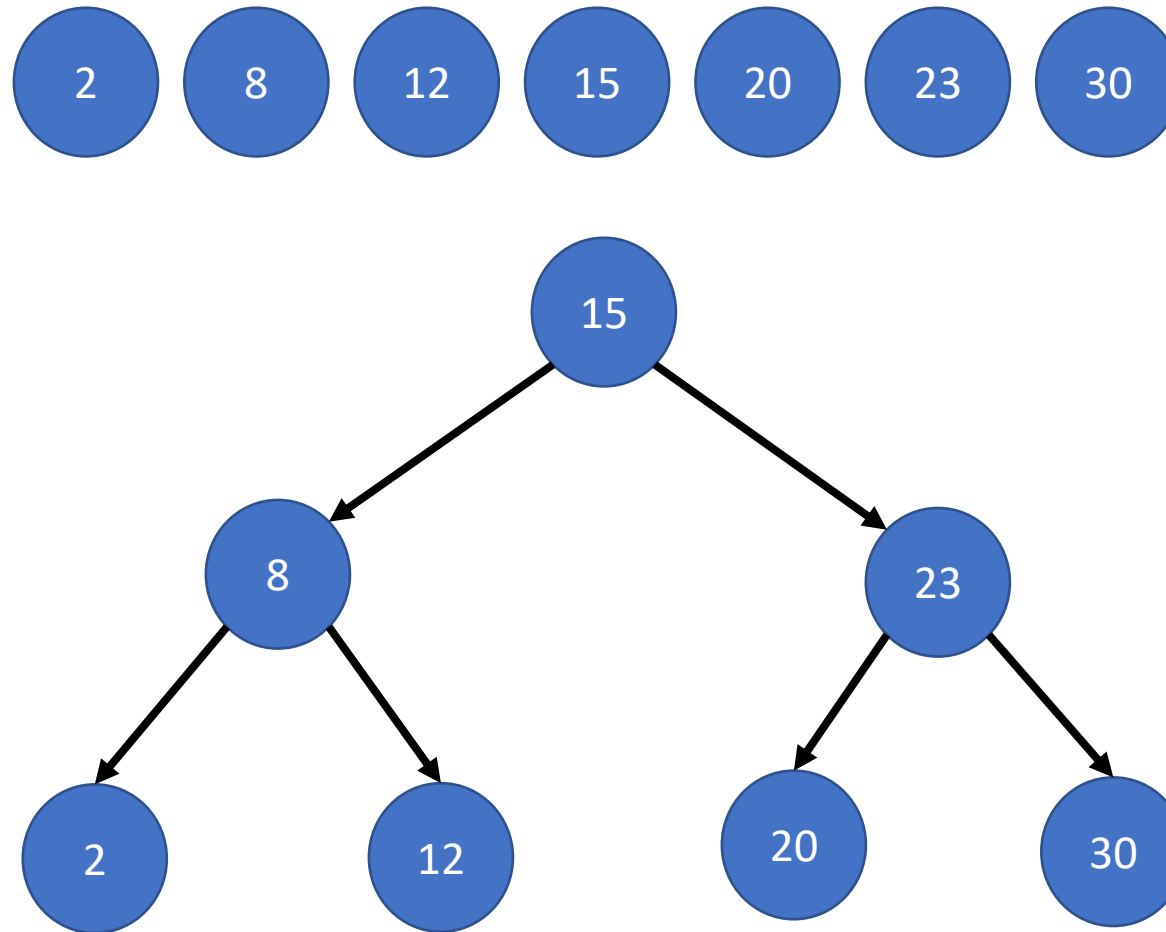
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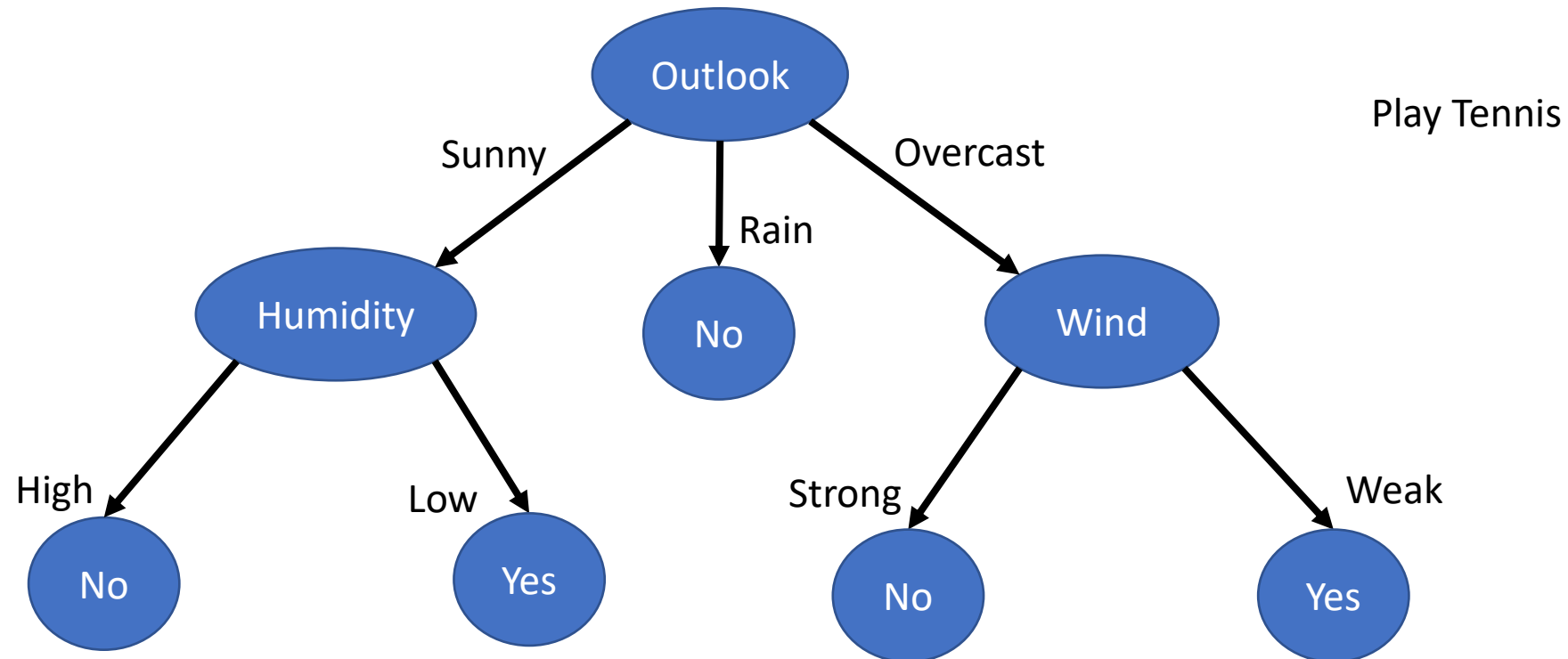


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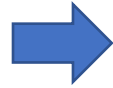


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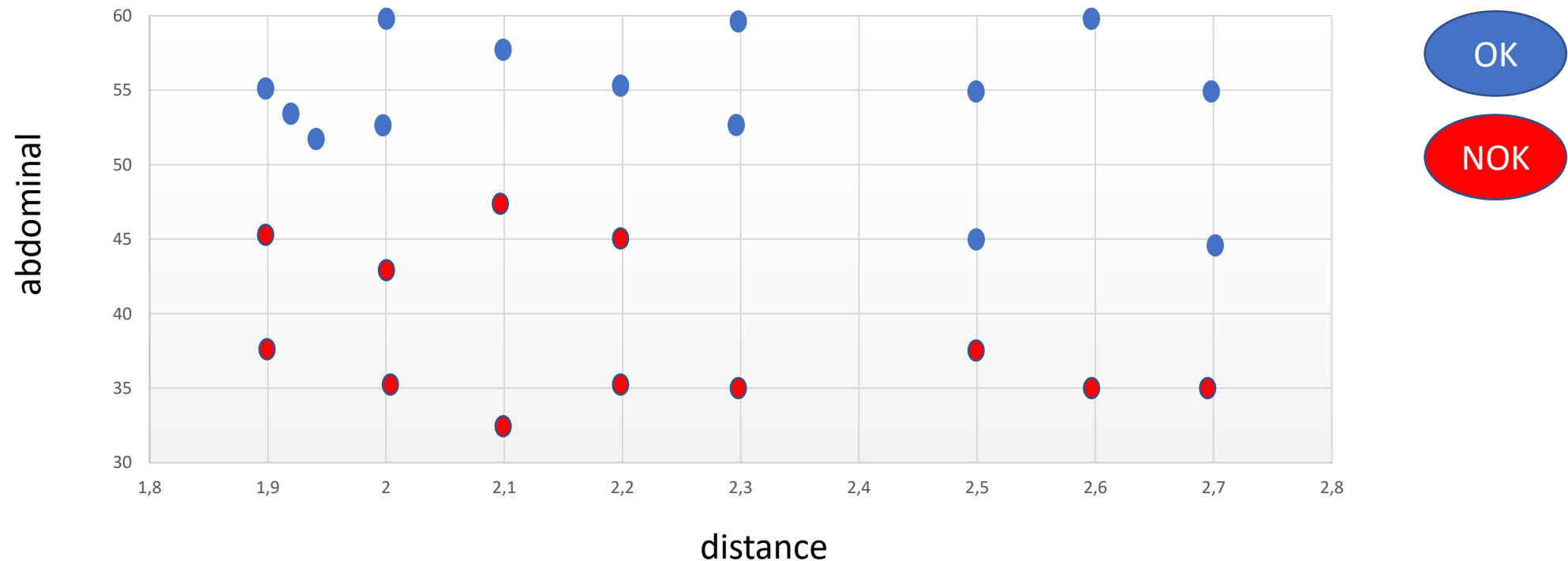


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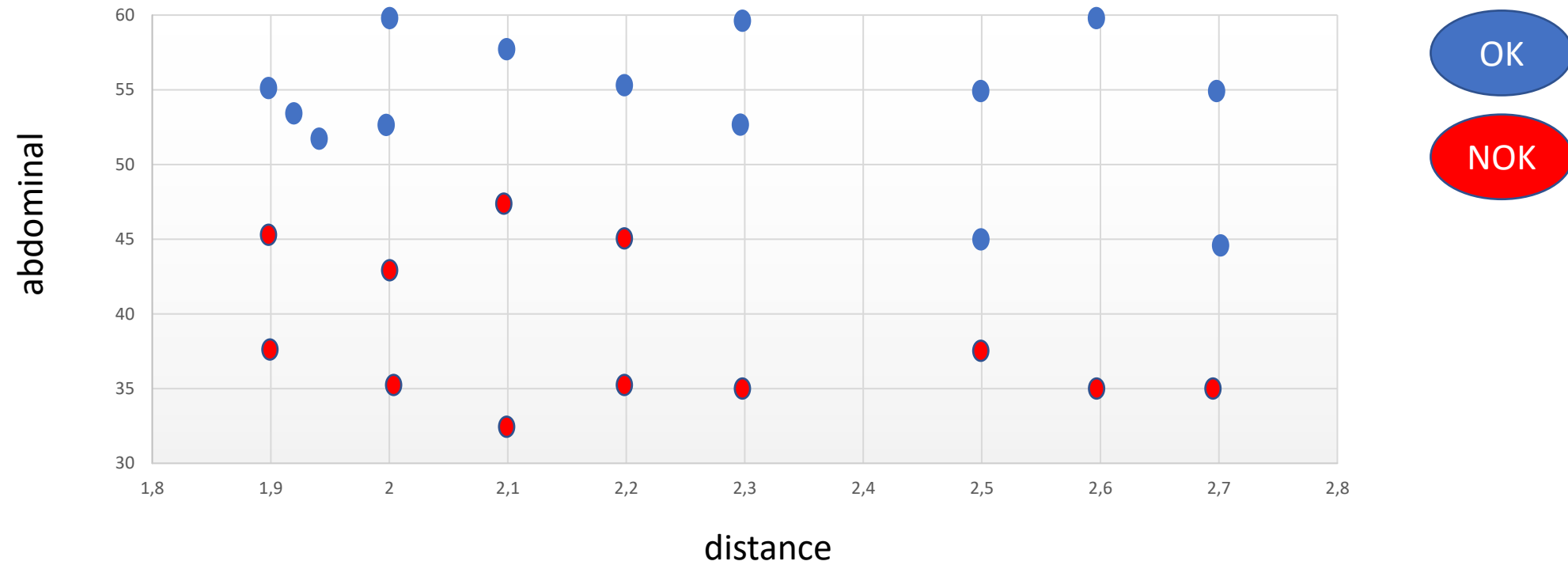
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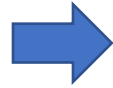


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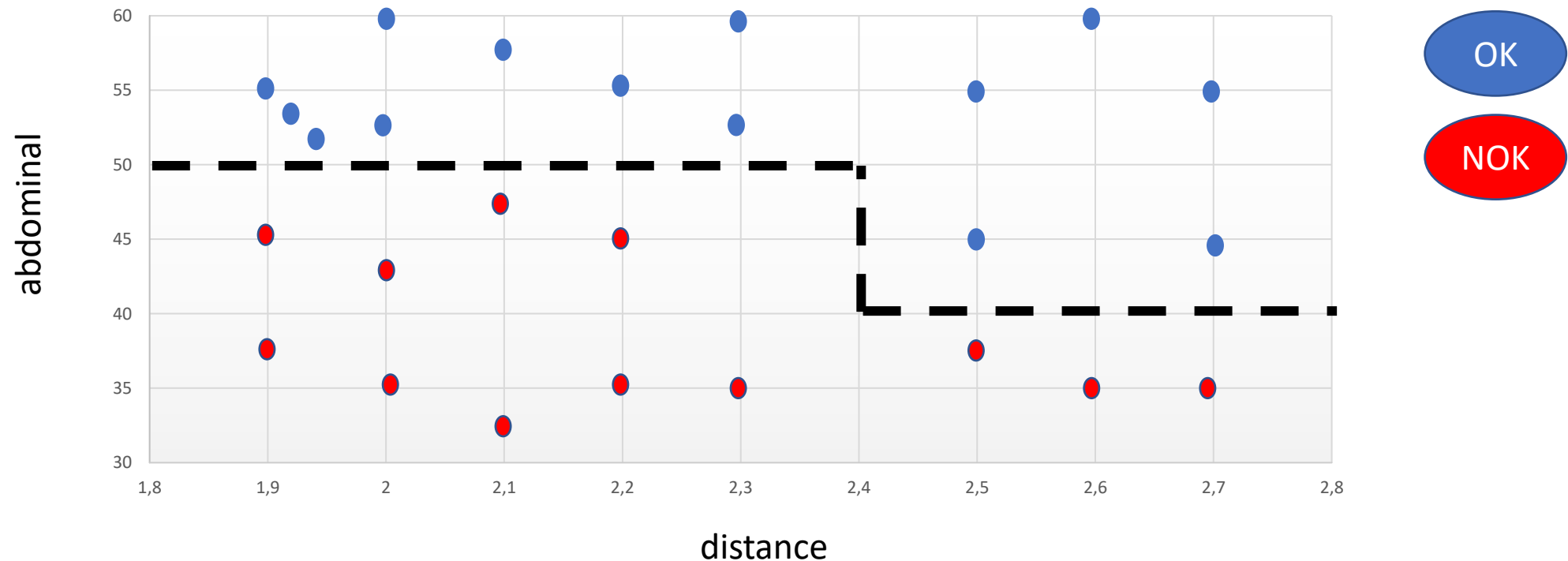


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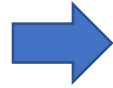


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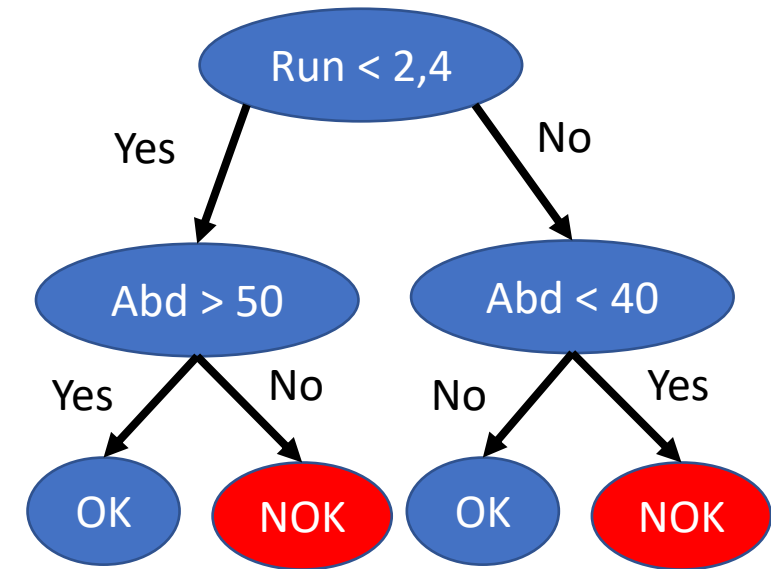
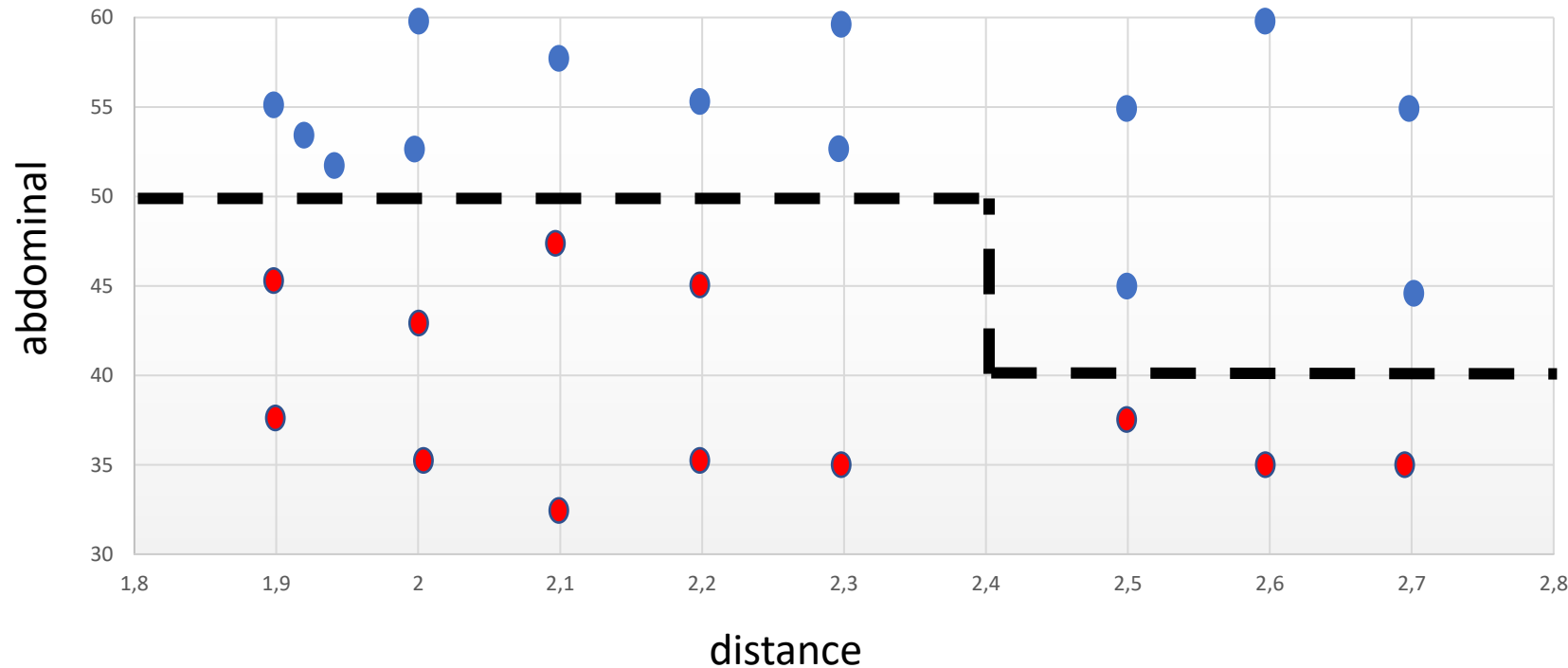


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### Advantage

- Easy to understand: The visualization of a decision tree makes the problem easy to understand, even for people who don't have an analytical profile. It does not require any statistical knowledge to read and interpret. Its graphical representation is very intuitive and allows you to relate the hypotheses easily.
- Useful in data exploration: The decision tree is one of the fastest ways to identify the most significant variables and the relationship between two or more variables. With the help of decision trees, we can create new variables/characteristics that are better able to predict the target variable.
- Less need to clean data: Requires less data cleanup compared to other modelling techniques. Up to a certain level, it is not influenced by outliers or missing values.
- Not restricted by data types: Can handle numeric and categorical variables.
- Non-parametric method: The decision tree is considered a non-parametric method. This means that decision trees do not assume space distribution or classifier structure.

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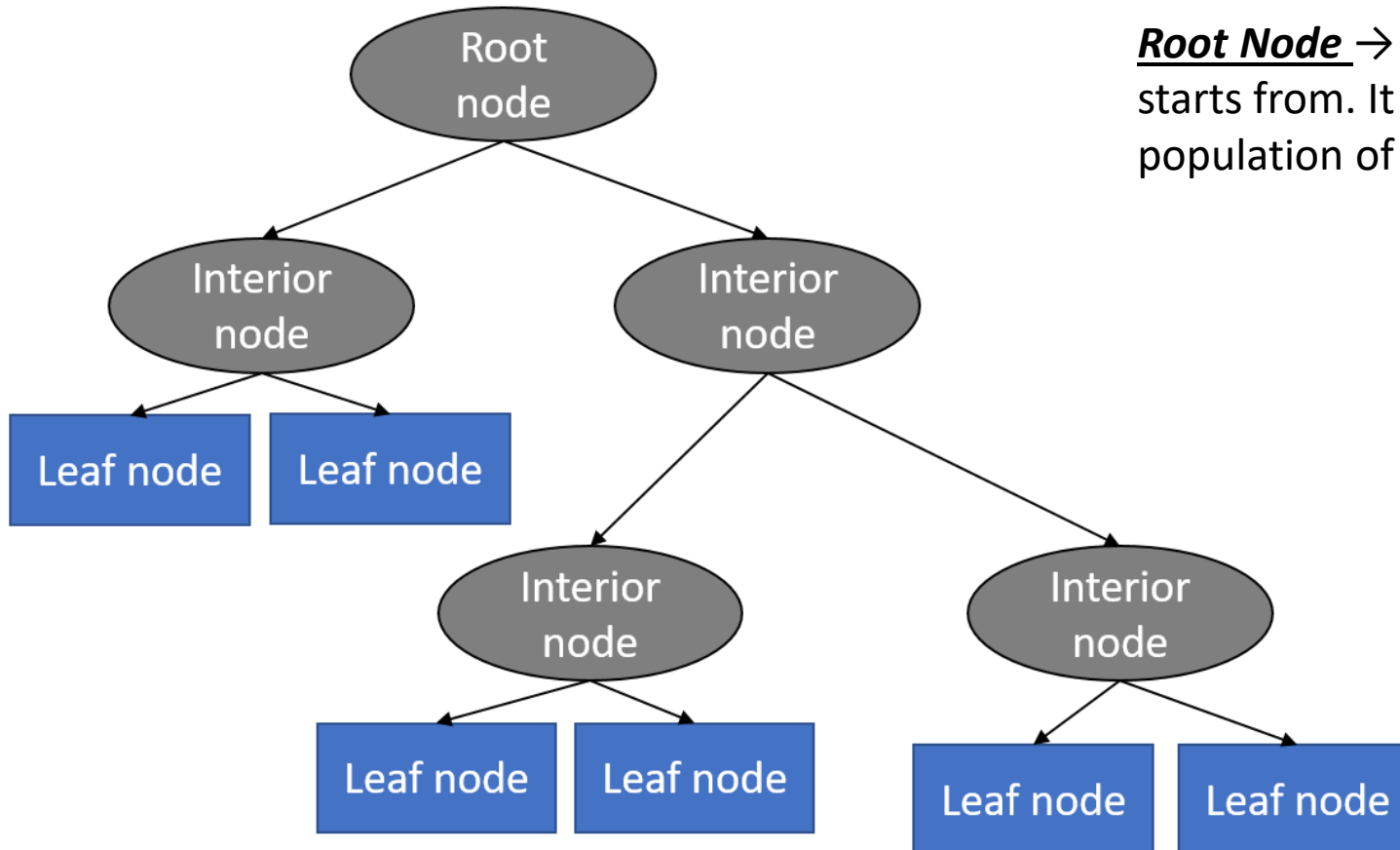
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- Overfitting: Overfitting is one of the greatest difficulties for decision tree models. This problem is solved by defining constraints on the model and pruning parameters.
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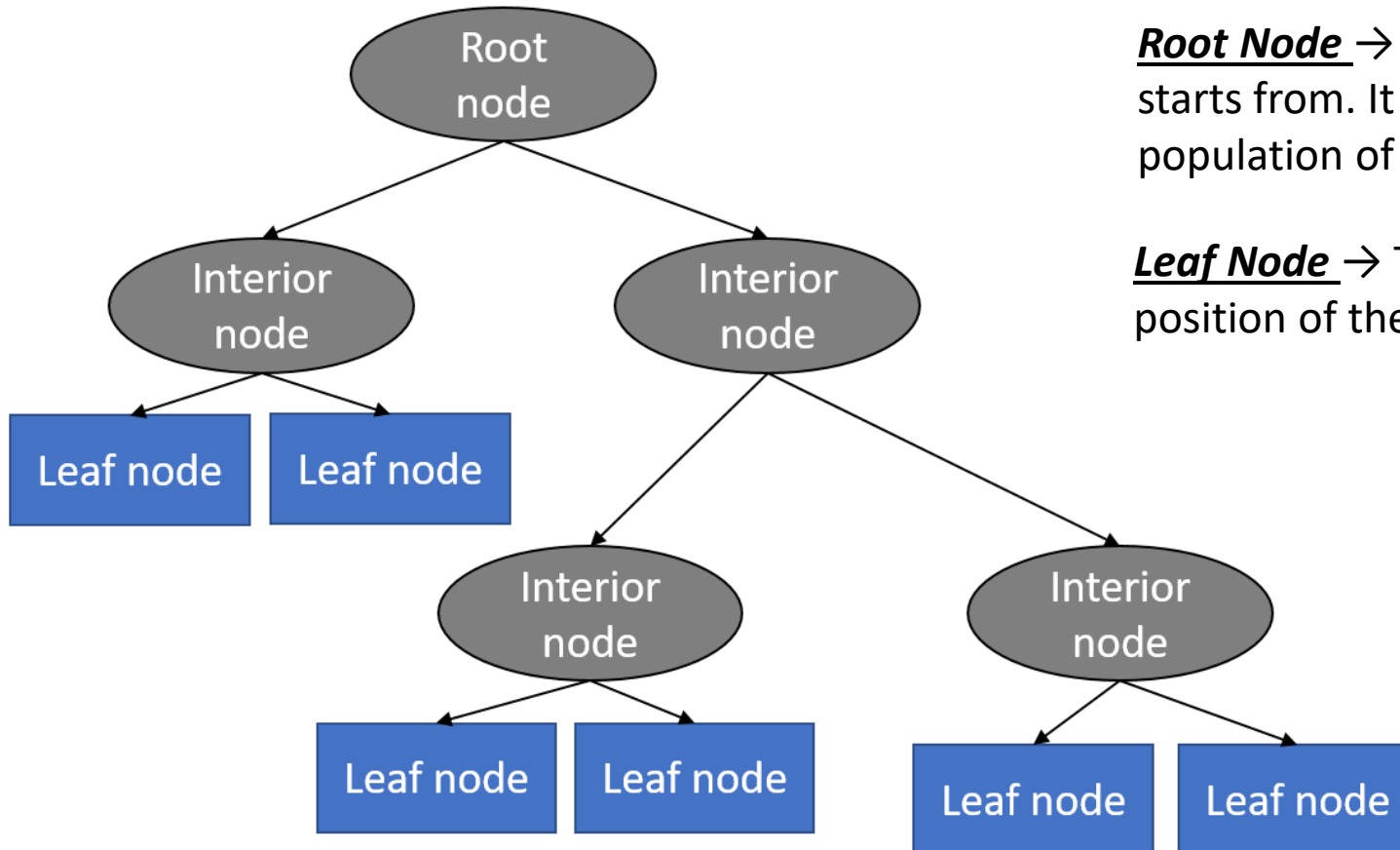
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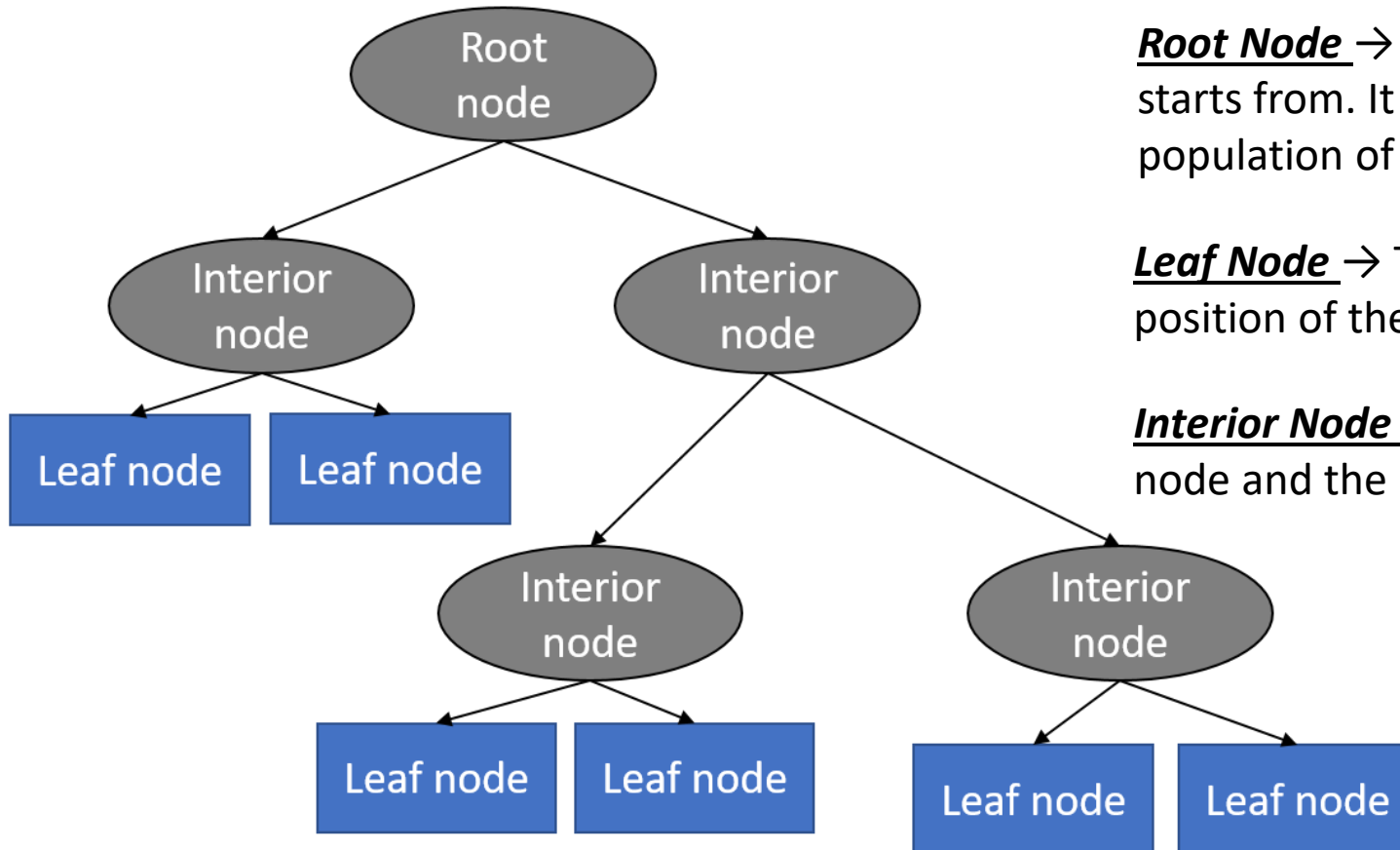
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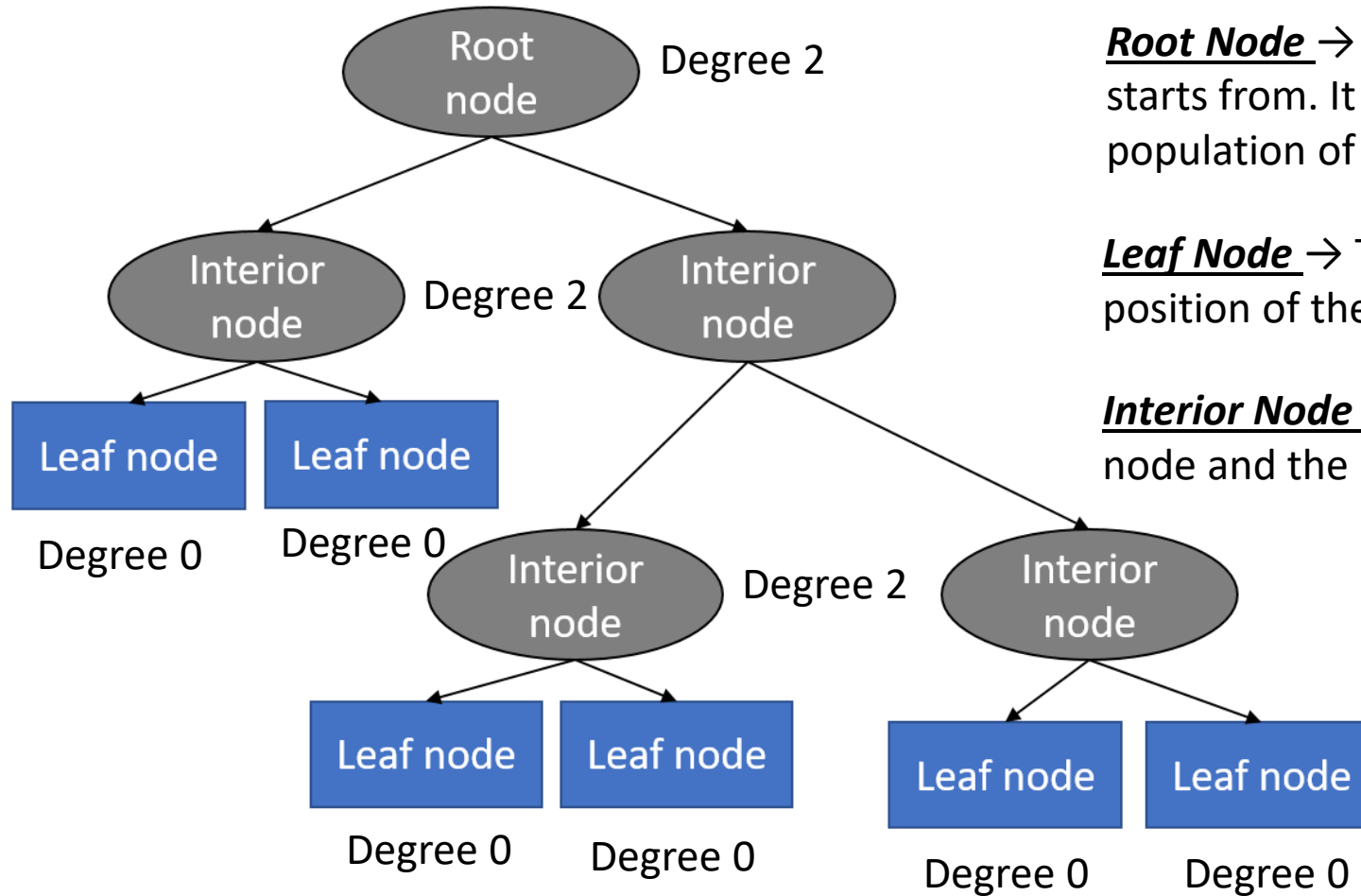


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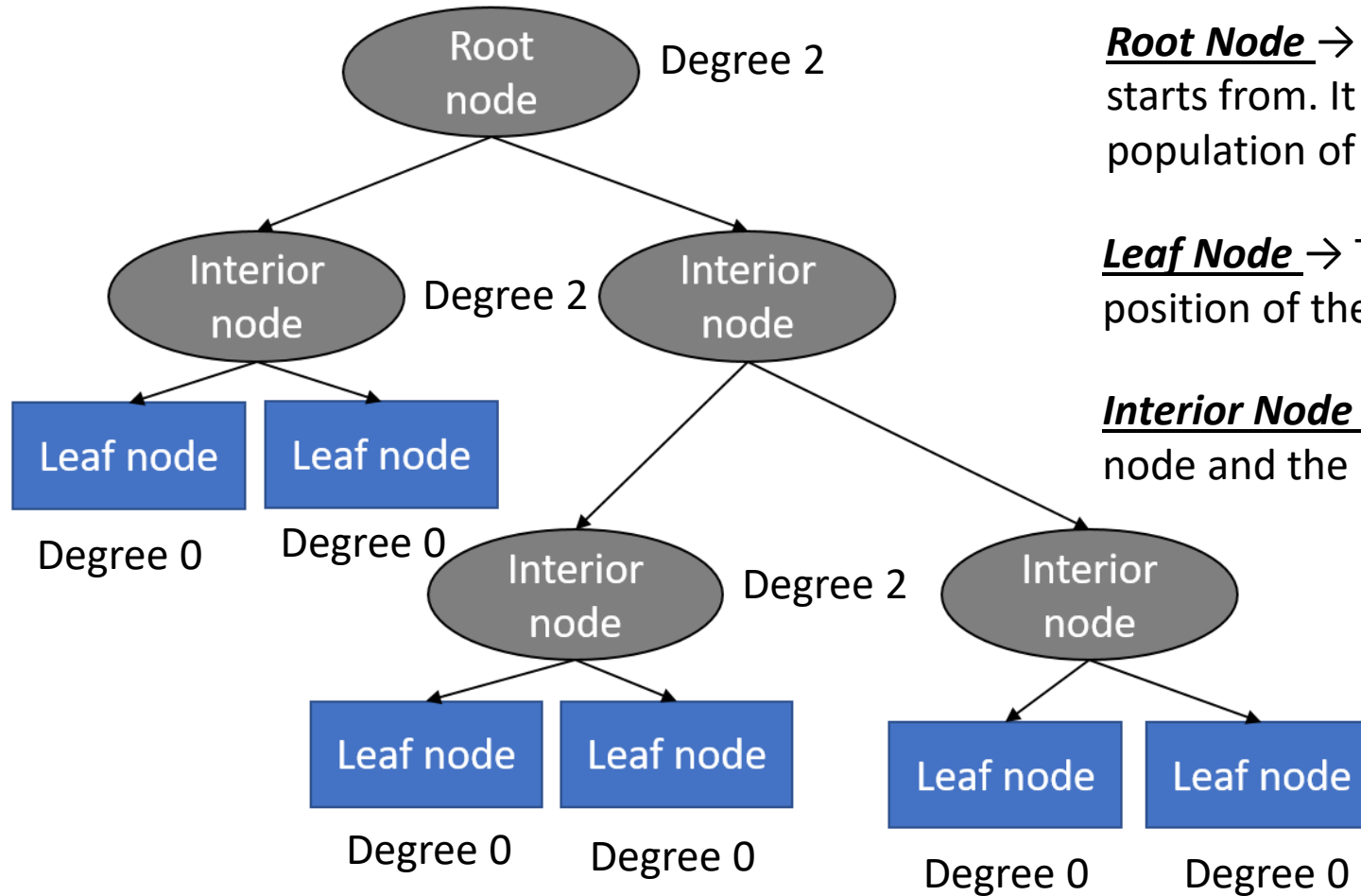


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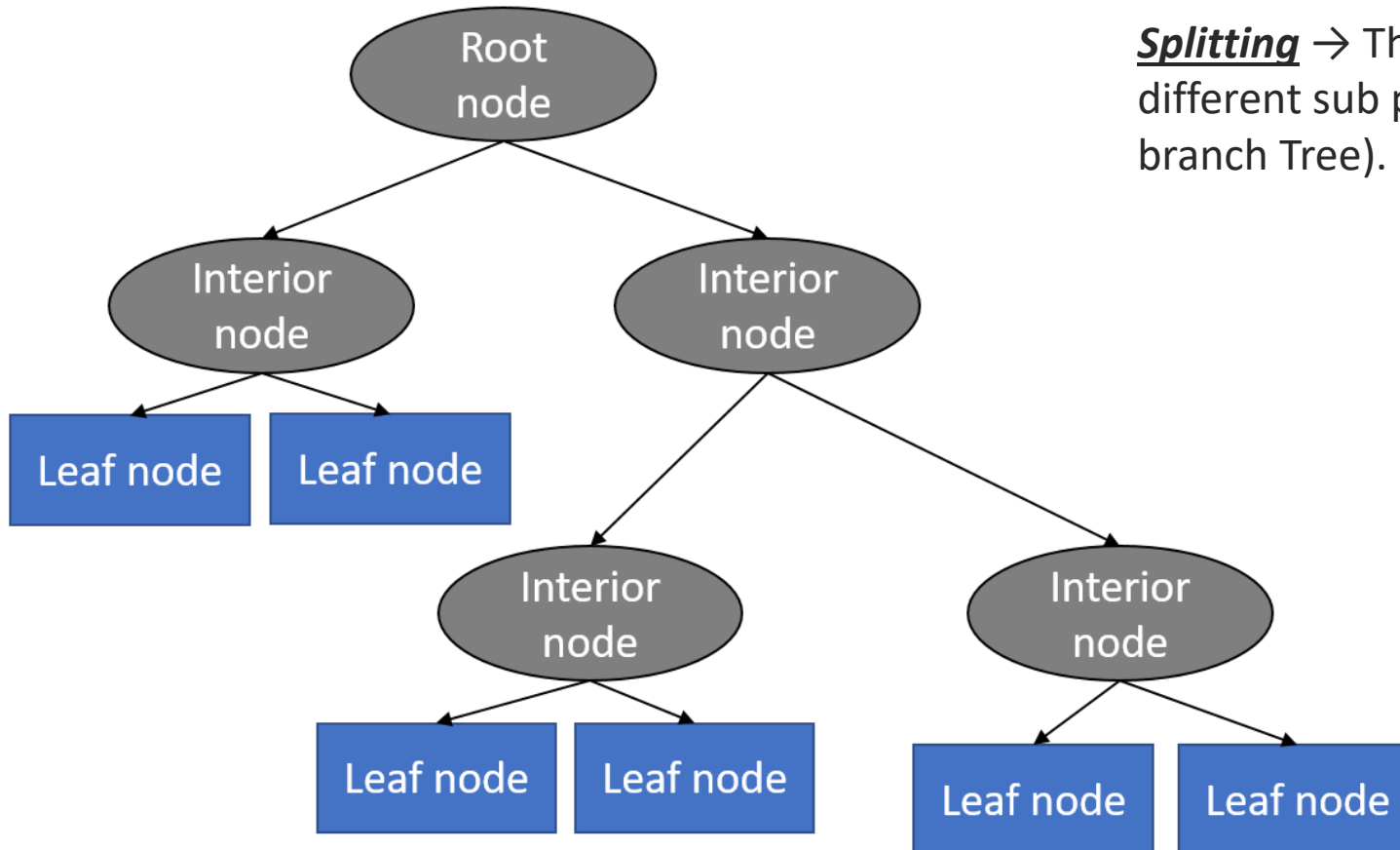
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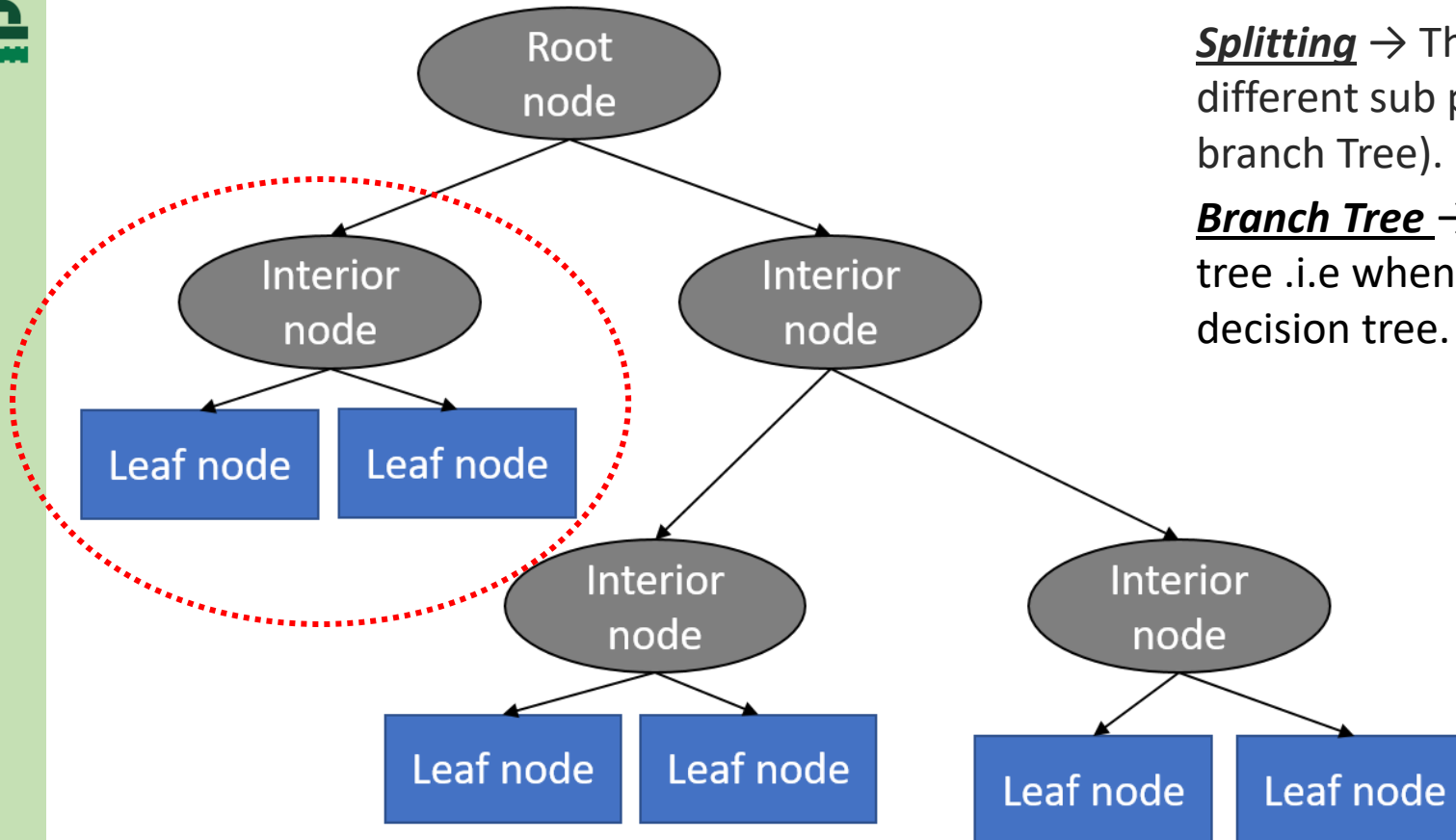
**Binary Decision Tree** → Node Degree < 3

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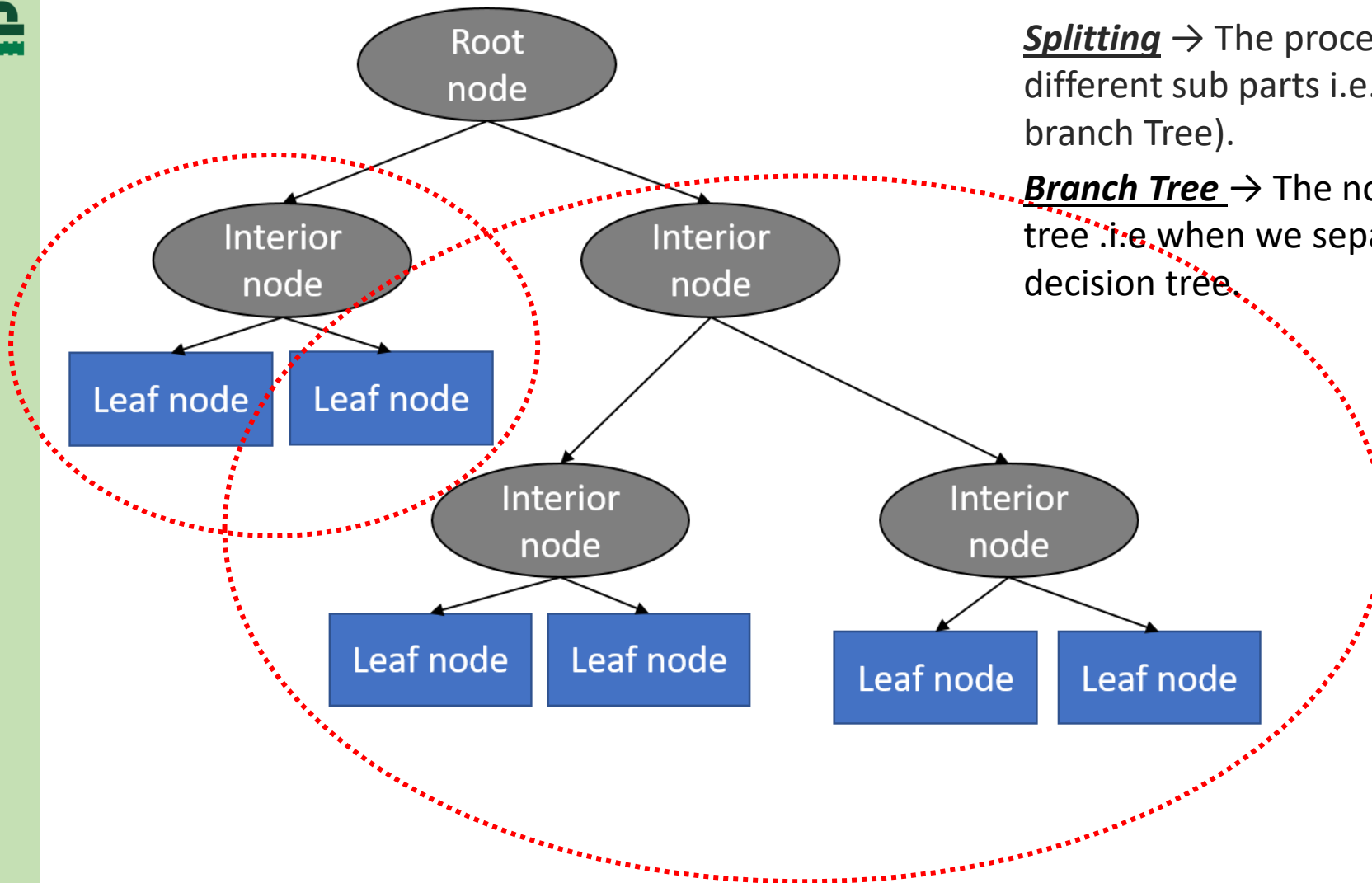
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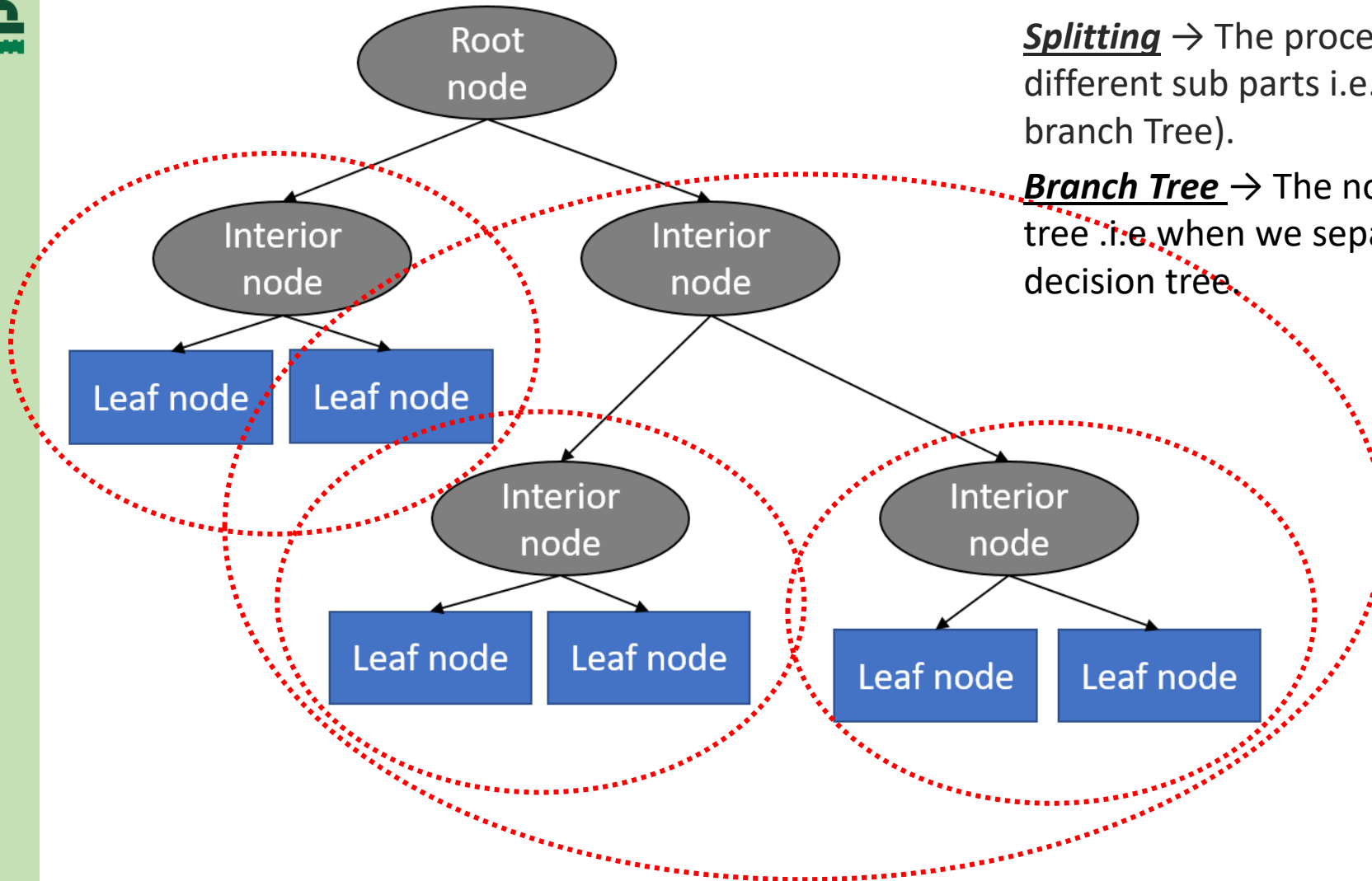
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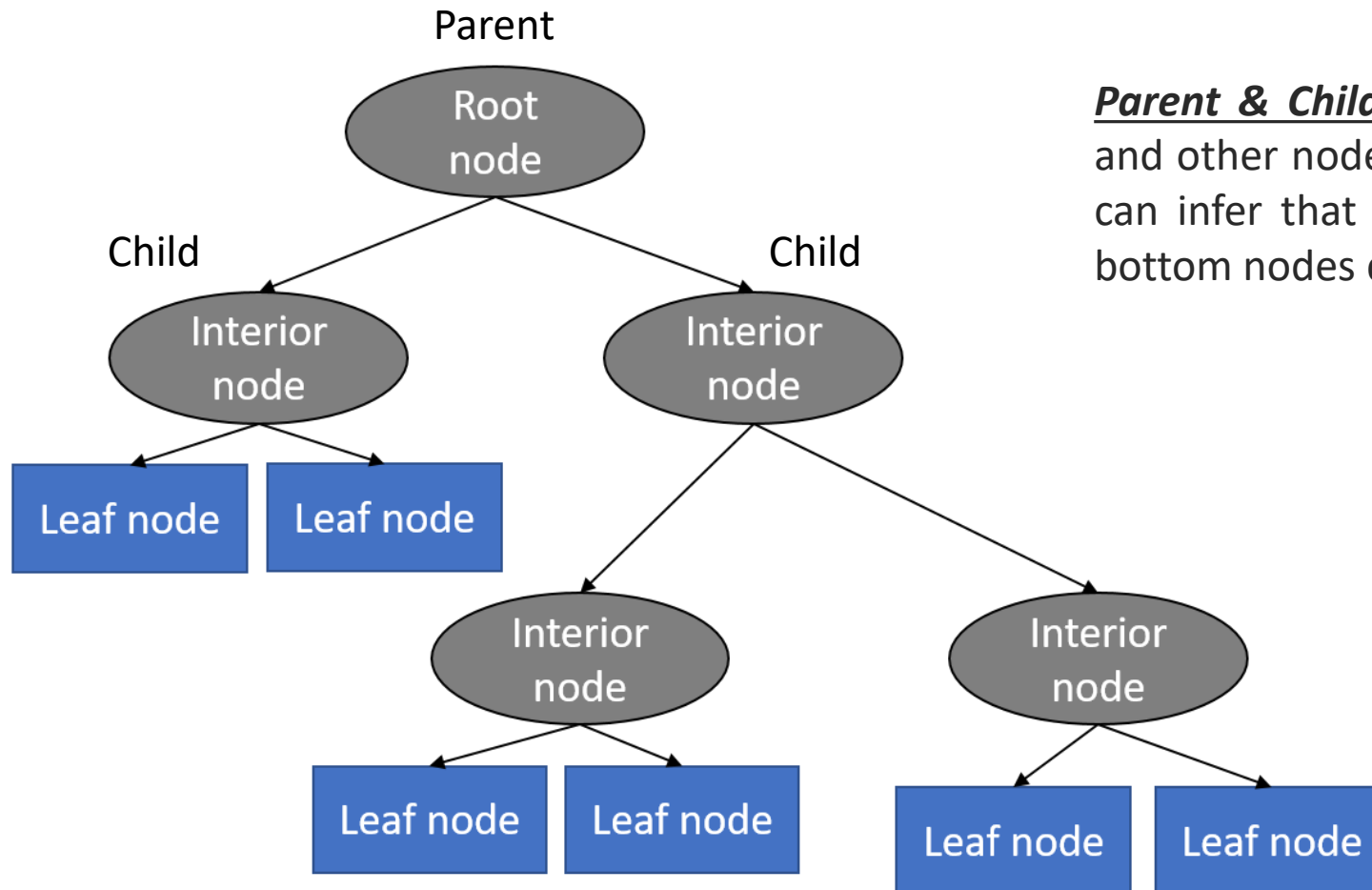


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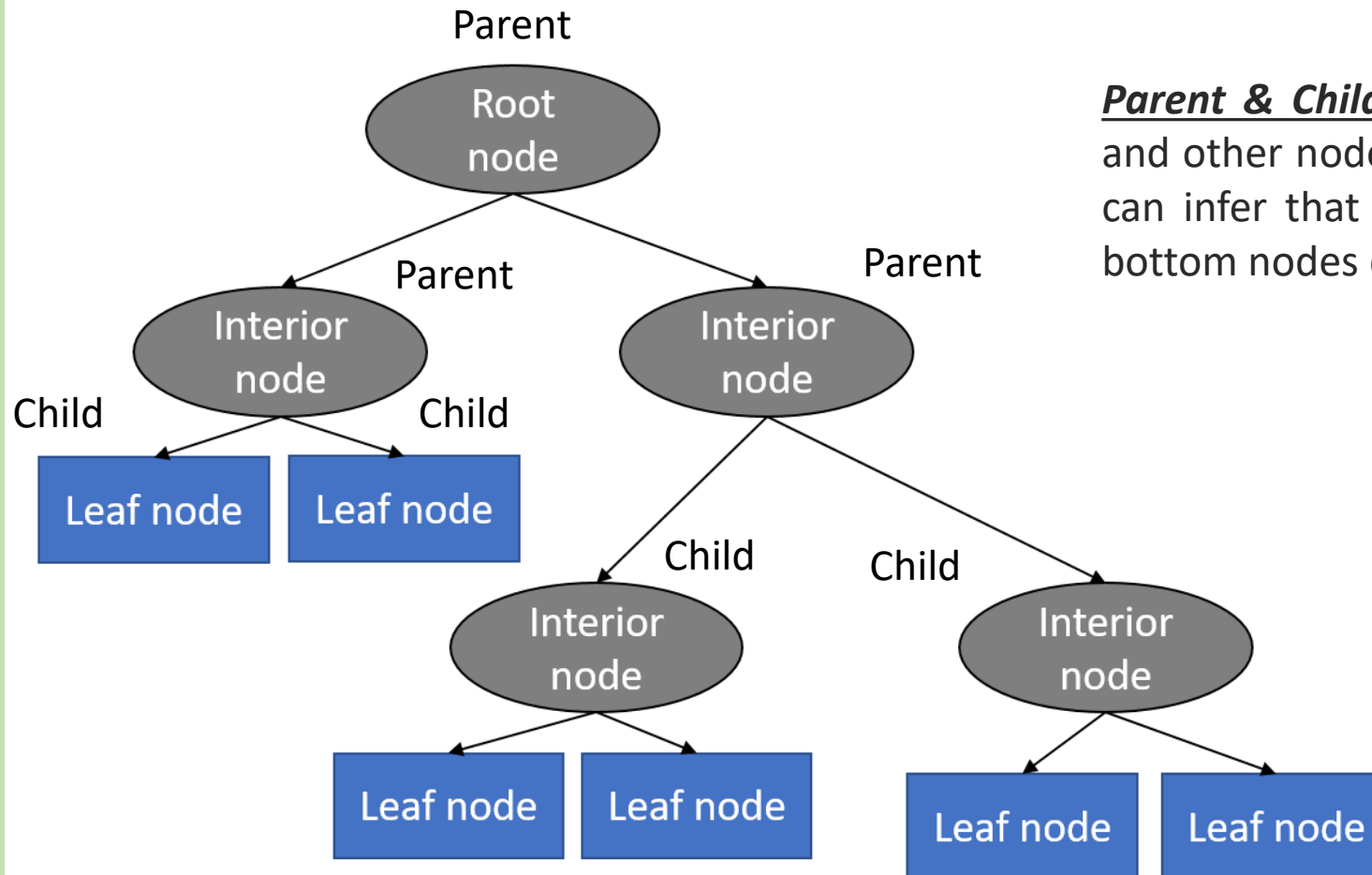


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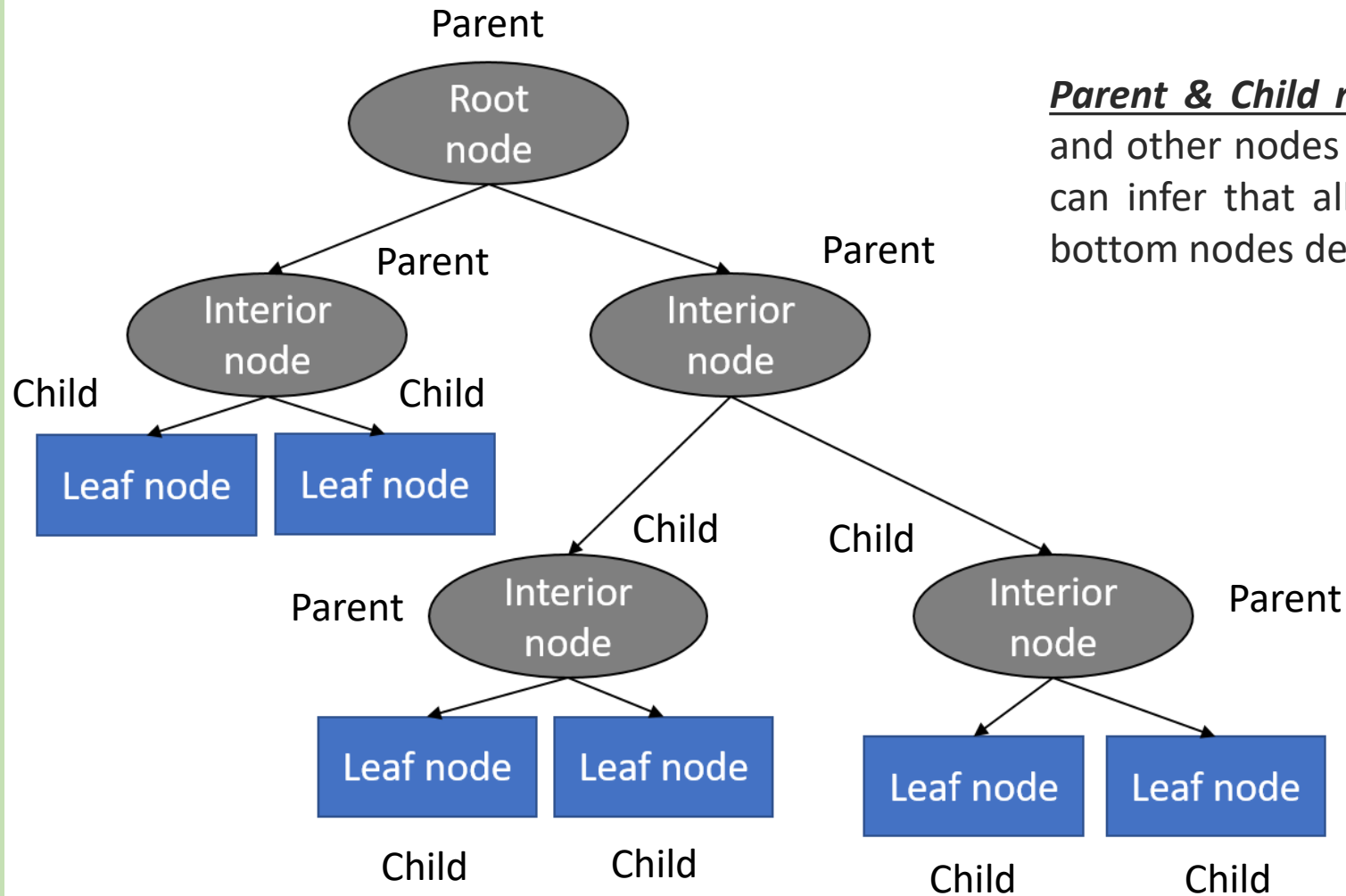
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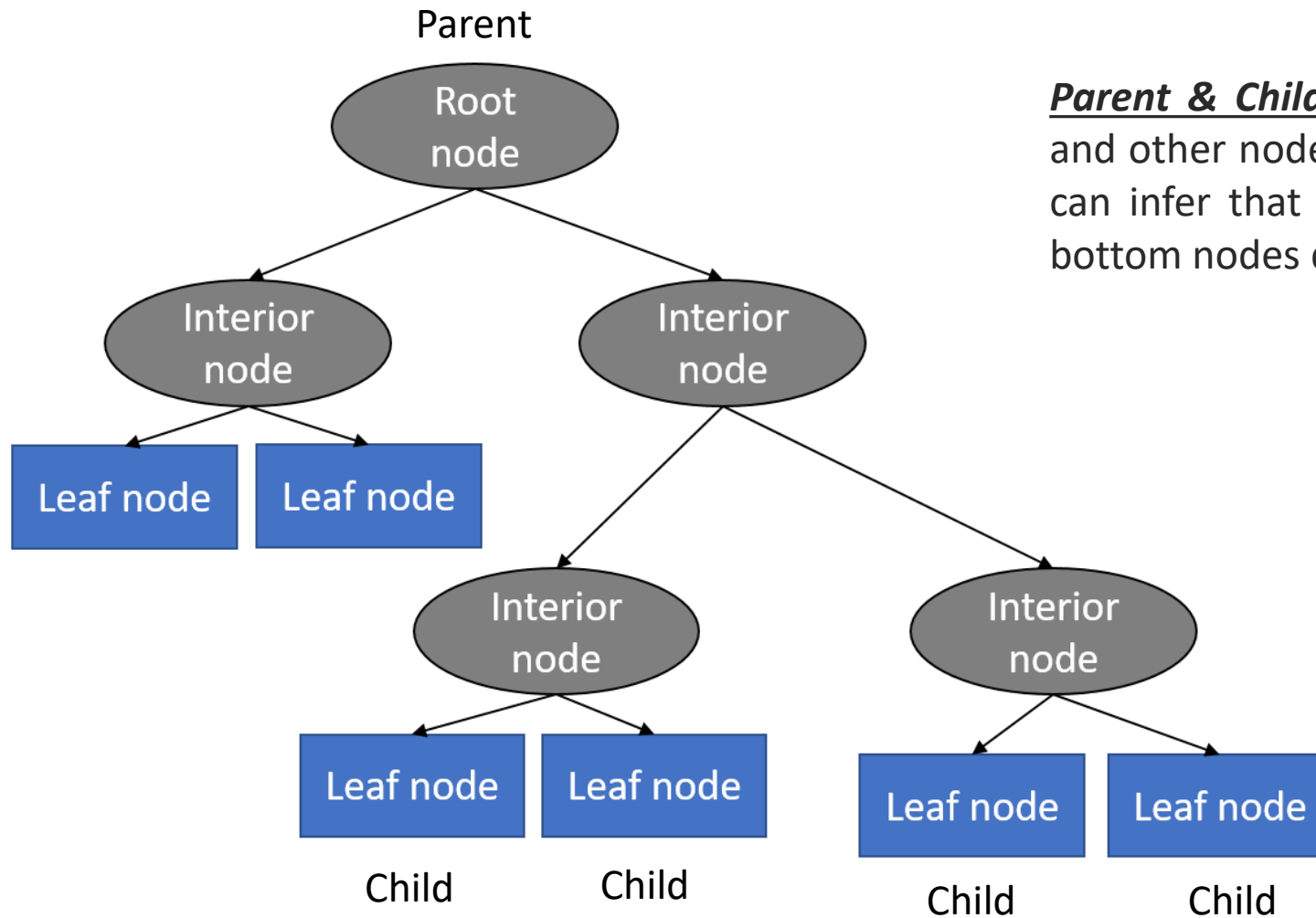
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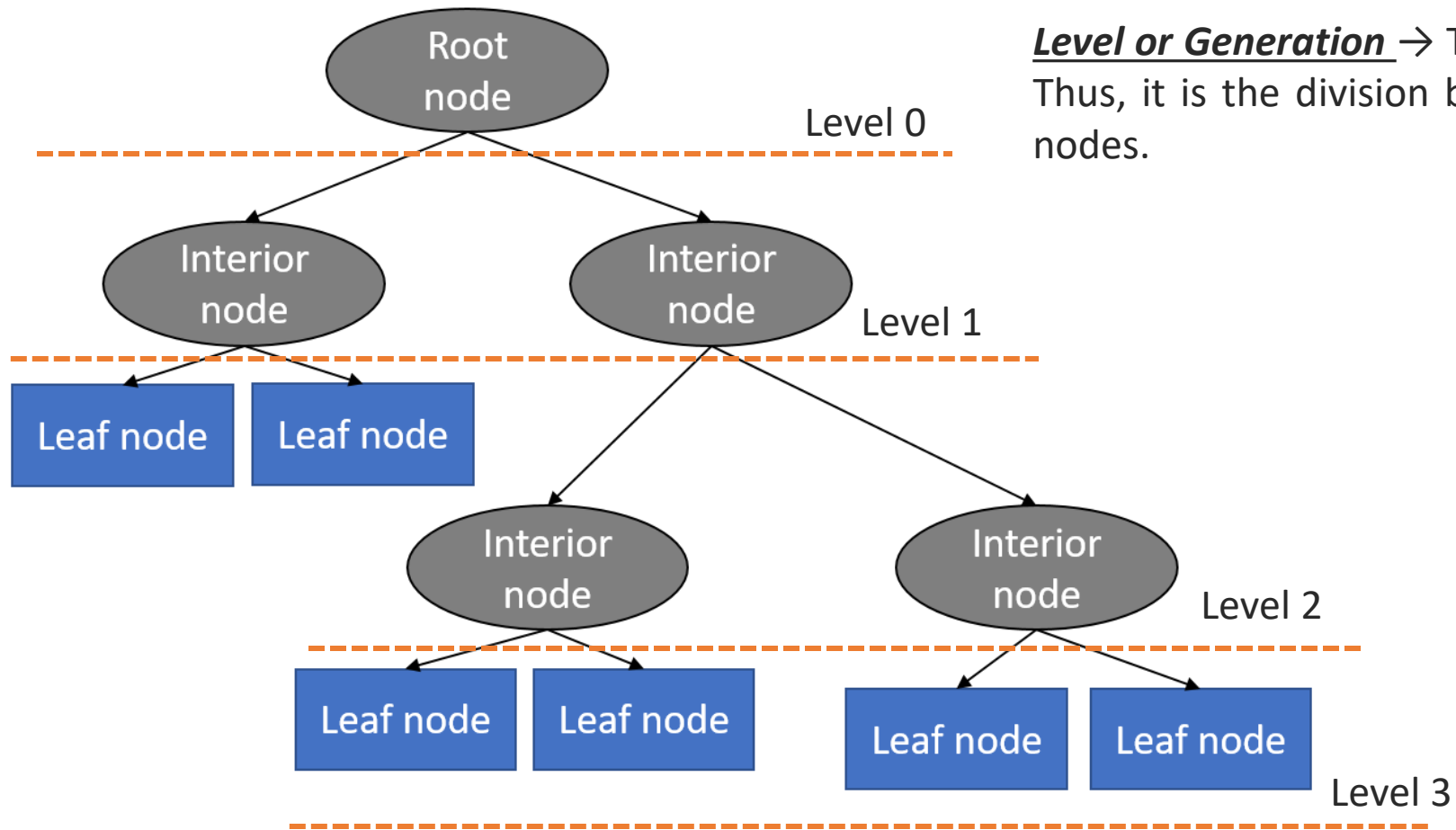
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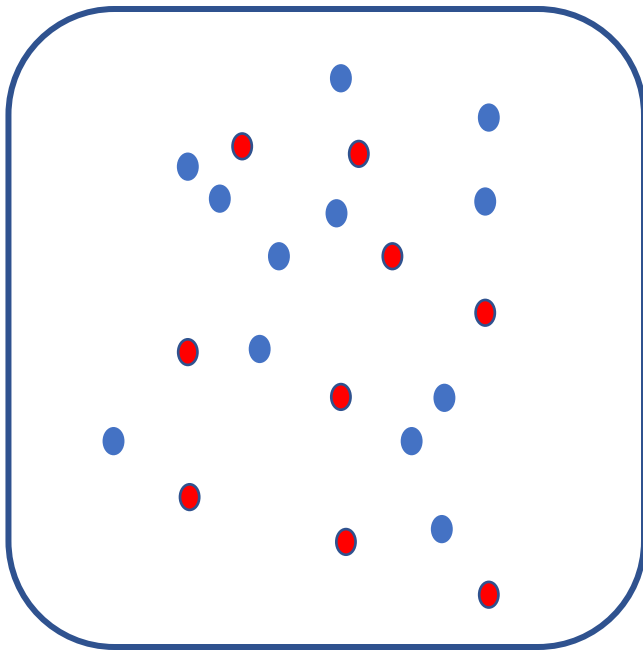


**Level or Generation** → They are the decision tree choice points. Thus, it is the division between the parent node and the child nodes.

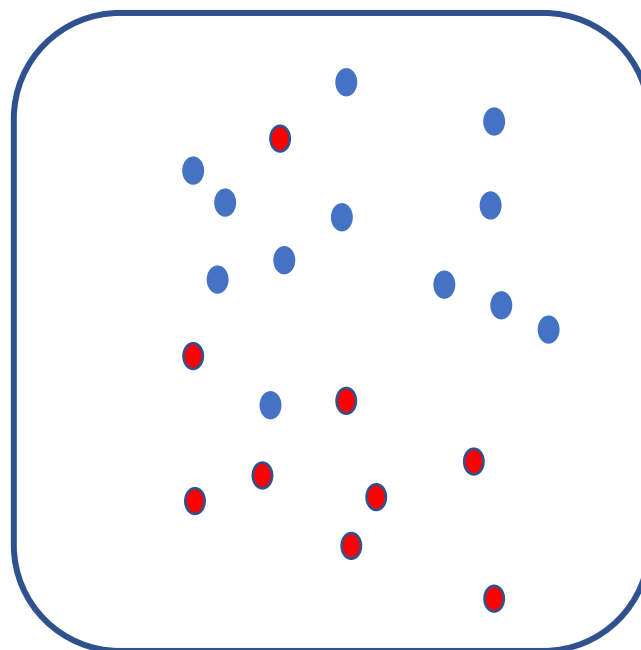
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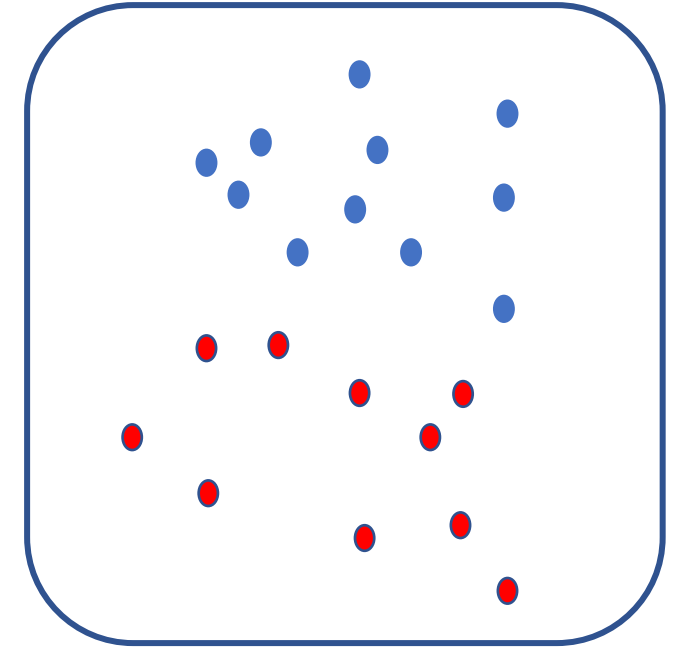
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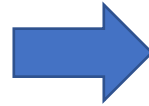


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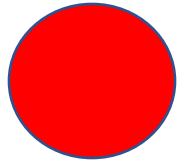
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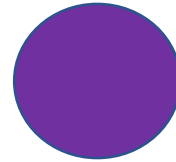
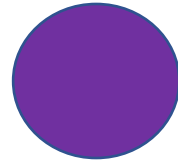
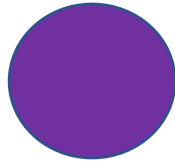
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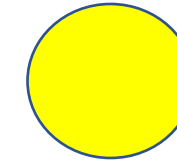
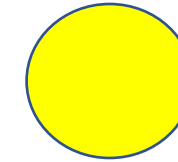
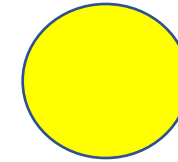
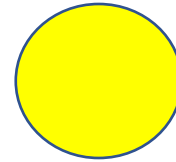
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$\underline{Pr} = 1/8$

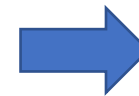


$\underline{Pp} = 3/8$



$\underline{Py} = 4/8$  or  $1/2$

$$E = -\left(\frac{1}{8} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{8}\right) + \frac{3}{8} \log_2 \left(\frac{3}{8}\right) + \frac{4}{8} \log_2 \left(\frac{4}{8}\right)\right)$$



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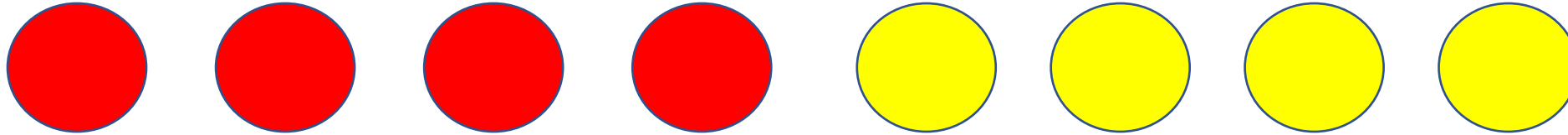
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$\underline{N} = 2$



$\underline{Pr} = 4/8$  or  $1/2$

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$$E = -((0.5 \log_2 0.5) + (0.5 \log_2 0.5)) \rightarrow \underline{1}$$

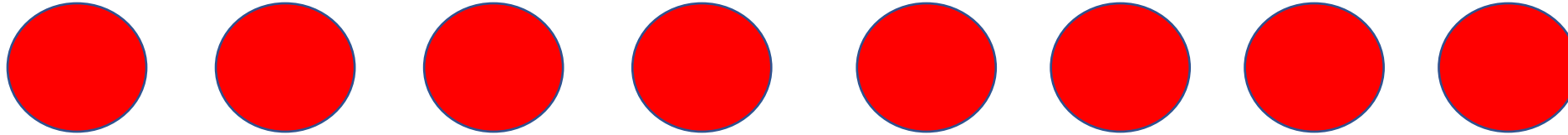
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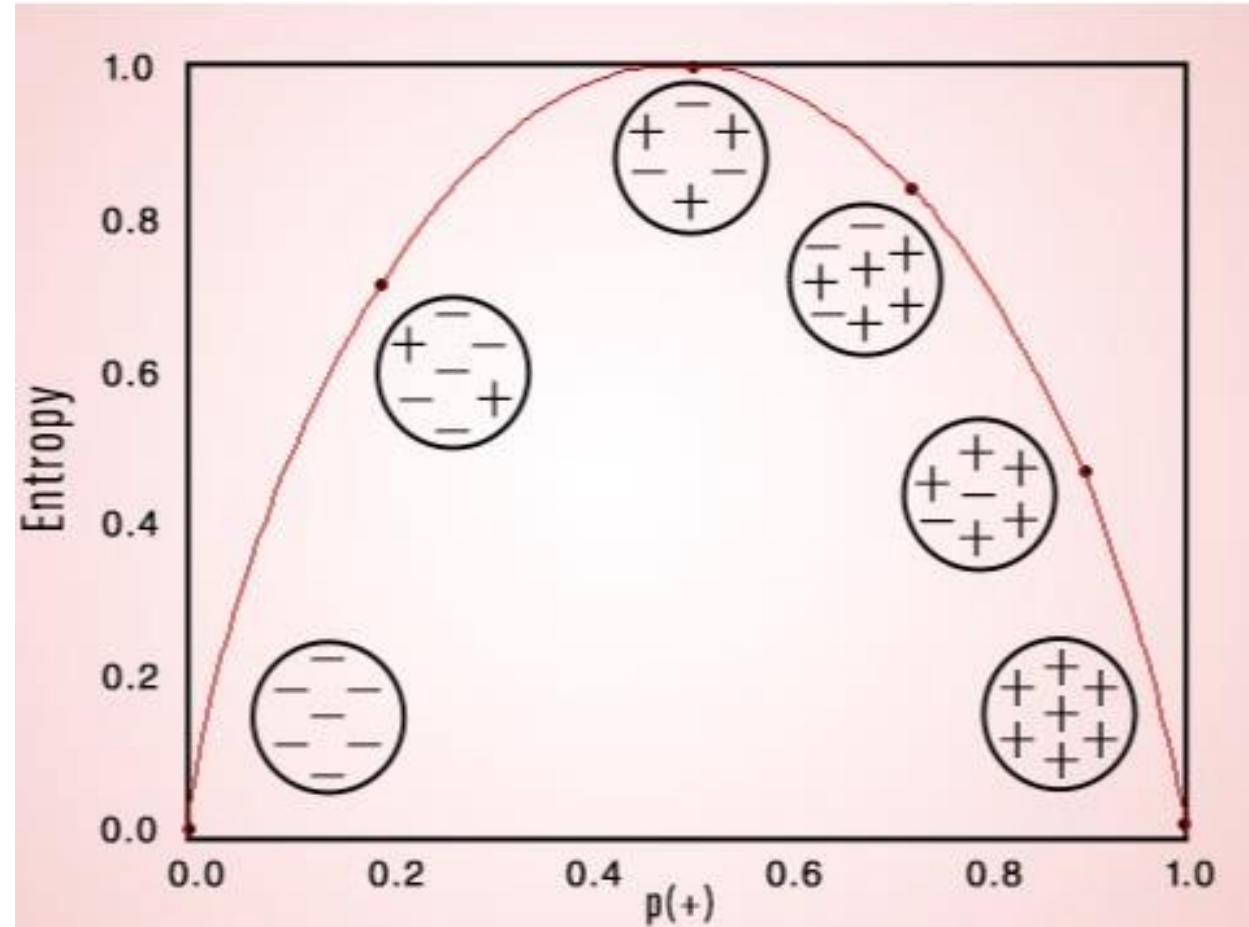
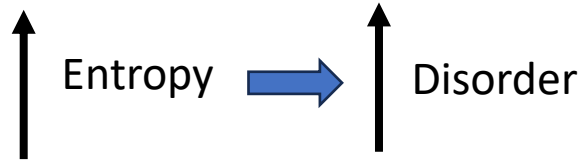
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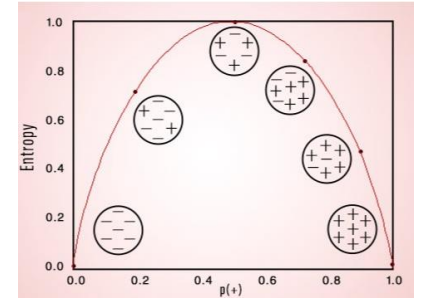
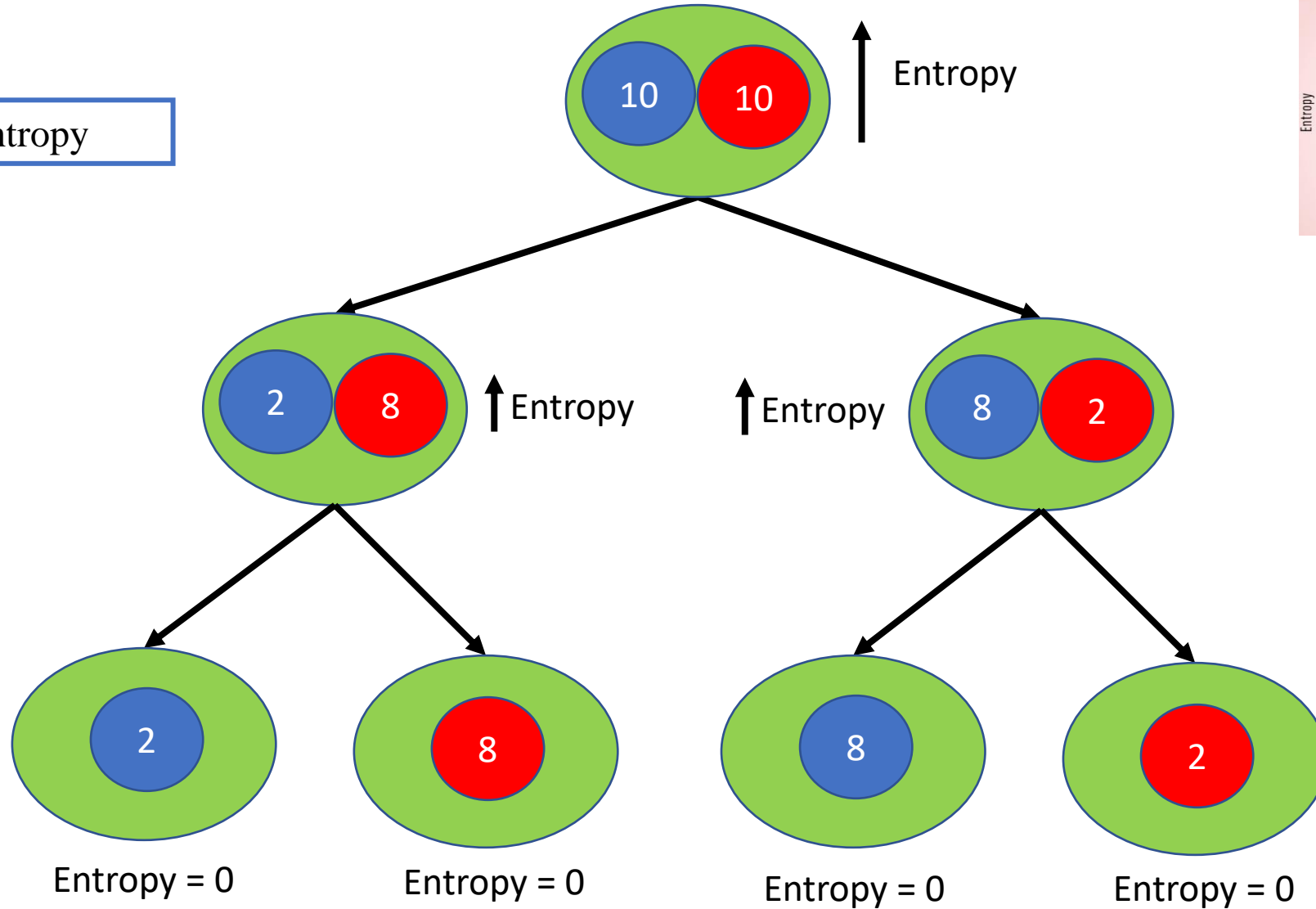
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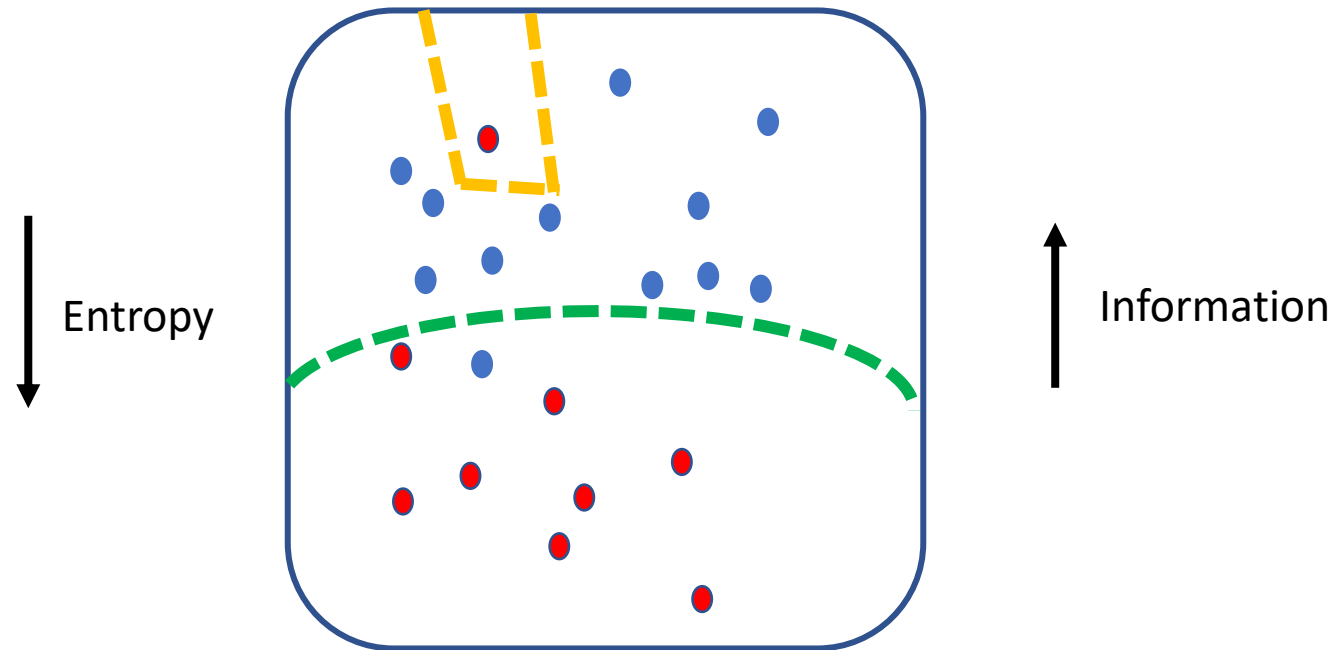
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- It define information gain as a measure of how much information a feature provides about a class.
- It is the decrease or reduction in entropy after a dataset is split on the basis of an attribute so that it helps to decide which attribute should be selected as the decision node.
- It helps to determine the order of attributes in the nodes of a decision tree.
- Constructing a Decision tree is all about finding the attribute that returns highest information gain.

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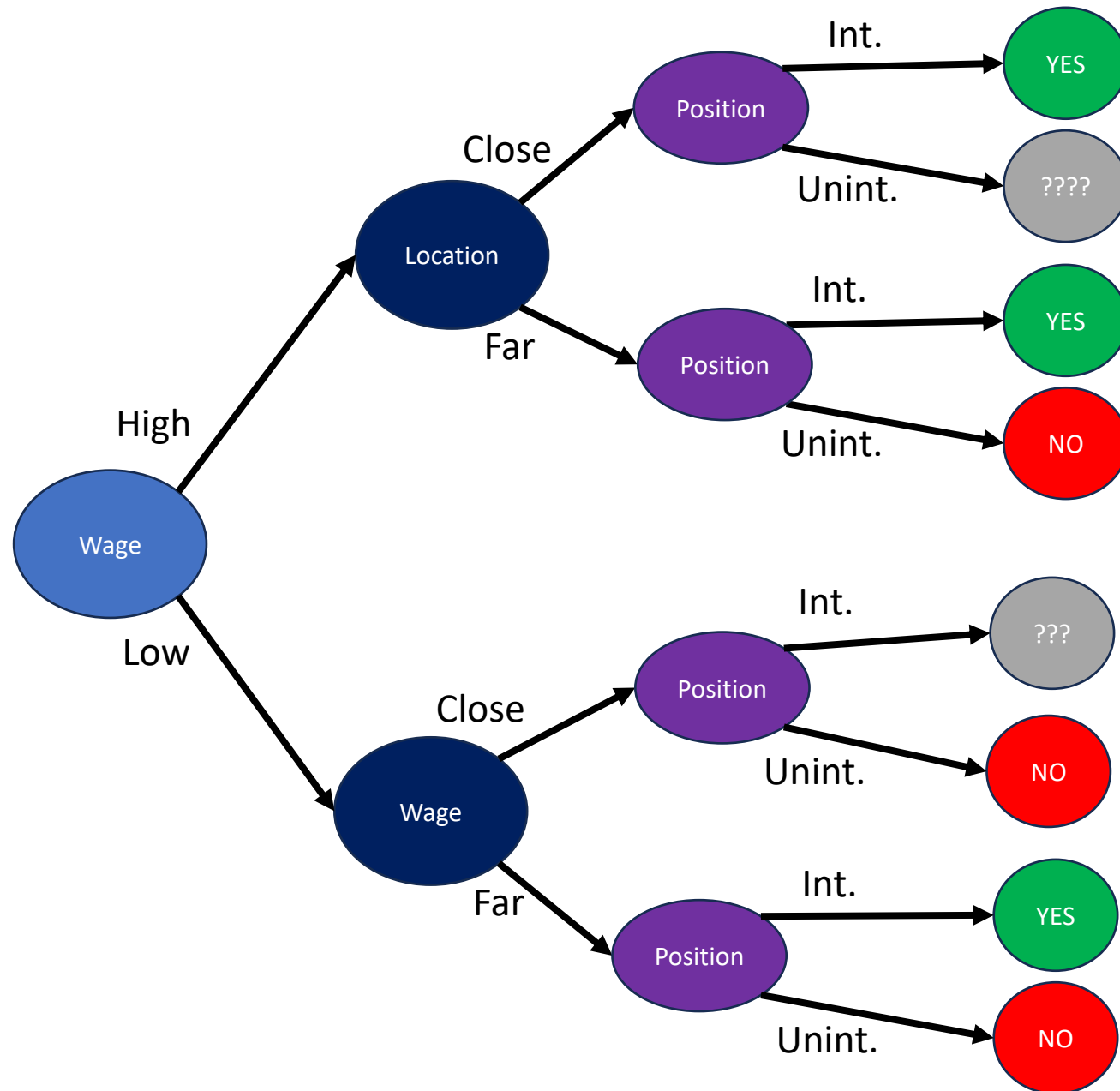
- *Gain* represents information gain
- *E<sub>parent</sub>* is the entropy of the parent node
- *E<sub>children</sub>* is the entropy of the child nodes
- *W* is the weight of the child nodes

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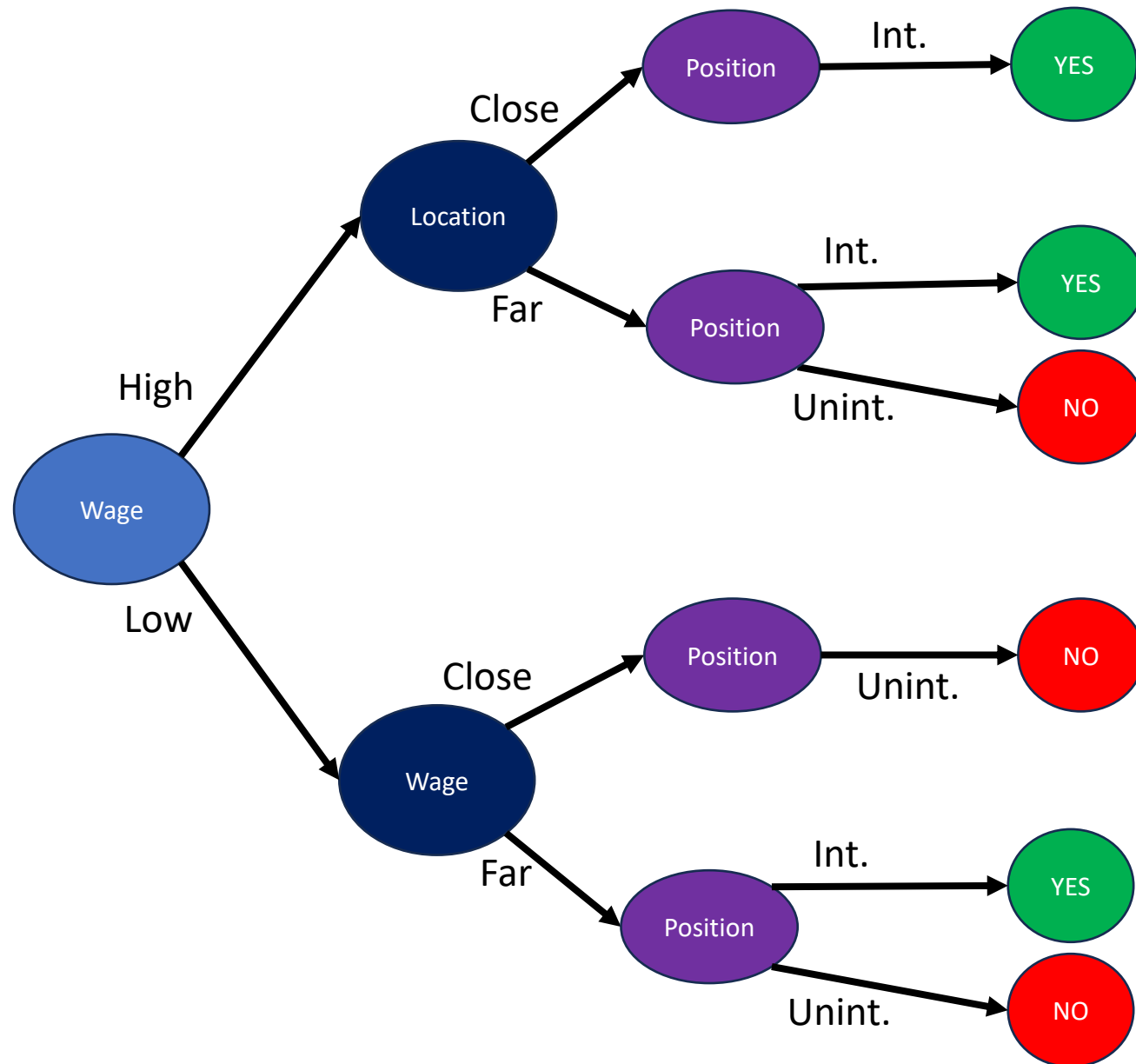
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## Iterative Dichotomiser 3 – ID3

Dividir um conjunto de dados de forma a criar uma árvore que represente as decisões tomadas com base nas variáveis de entrada.

**1.Critério de divisão:** O ID3 escolhe o atributo que melhor separa os dados com base no conceito de **ganho de informação**. O algoritmo mede o quanto um atributo contribui para reduzir a incerteza (entropia) nos dados.

**2.Divisão recursiva:** Após seleccionar o melhor atributo, o algoritmo divide os dados em subconjuntos com base nesse atributo e repete o processo para cada subconjunto.

**3.Condição de parada:** O algoritmo para de dividir os dados quando:

- Todos os exemplos pertencem à mesma classe.
- Não há mais atributos para dividir.

**OBS:** O ID3 é conhecido por ser eficiente, mas pode sofrer com o problema de **overfitting** em datasets pequenos ou ruidosos. O algoritmo foi a base para outras versões, como o **C4.5** e o **CART**.

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$$Pn_{Wage-High} = 1/3$$

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$$E_{Wage-High} = 0.92$$

$$Py_{Wage-Low} = 1/3$$

$$Pn_{Wage-Low} = 2/3$$

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$$W_{Wage-Low} = 3/6 = 1/2$$

$$E_{Wage-High} = 0.92$$

$$E_{Wage-Low} = 0.92$$

$$G_{ainWage} = 1 - (1/2 * 0.92 + 1/2 * 0.92)$$

$$Gain_{Wage} = 0.08$$

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$$Py_{Loc-Far} = 2/4 = 1/2$$

$$Pn_{Loc-Far} = 2/4 = 1/2$$

$$E_{Loc-Far} = -(1/2 * \log 1/2 + 1/2 * \log 1/2)$$

$$E_{Loc-Far} = 1$$

$$Py_{Loc-Close} = 1/2$$

$$Pn_{Loc-Close} = 1/2$$

$$E_{Loc-Close} = -(1/2 * \log 1/2 + 1/2 * \log 1/2)$$

$$E_{Loc-Close} = 1$$

Location Far = 4 cases (2 – YES + 2 – NO)

Location Close = 2 cases (1 – YES + 1 – NO)

# Definitions

Information Gain

$$Gain = E_{parent} - W * E_{children}$$

Wage	Location	Position	Decision
High	Far	Interesting	YES
Low	Close	Uninteresting	NO
Low	Far	Interesting	YES
High	Far	Uninteresting	NO
High	Close	Interesting	YES
Low	Far	Uninteresting	NO

$$W_{Loc-Far} = 4/6 = 2/3$$

$$W_{Loc-Close} = 2/6 = 1/3$$

$$E_{Loc-Far} = 1$$

$$E_{Loc-Close} = 1$$

$$Gain_{Loc} = 1 - (2/3 * 1 + 1/3 * 1)$$

$$Gain_{Loc} = 0$$

Location Far = 4 cases (2 – YES + 2 – NO)

Location Close = 2 cases (1 – YES + 2 – NO)

# Definitions

Information Gain

$$Gain = E_{parent} - W * E_{children}$$

Wage	Location	Position	Decision
High	Far	Interesting	YES
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High	Far	Uninteresting	NO
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Low	Far	Uninteresting	NO

$$W_{Pos-Int} = 3/6 = 1/2$$

$$W_{Pos-Unt} = 3/6 = 1/2$$

$$E_{Pos-Int} = 0$$

$$E_{Pos-Unt} = 0$$

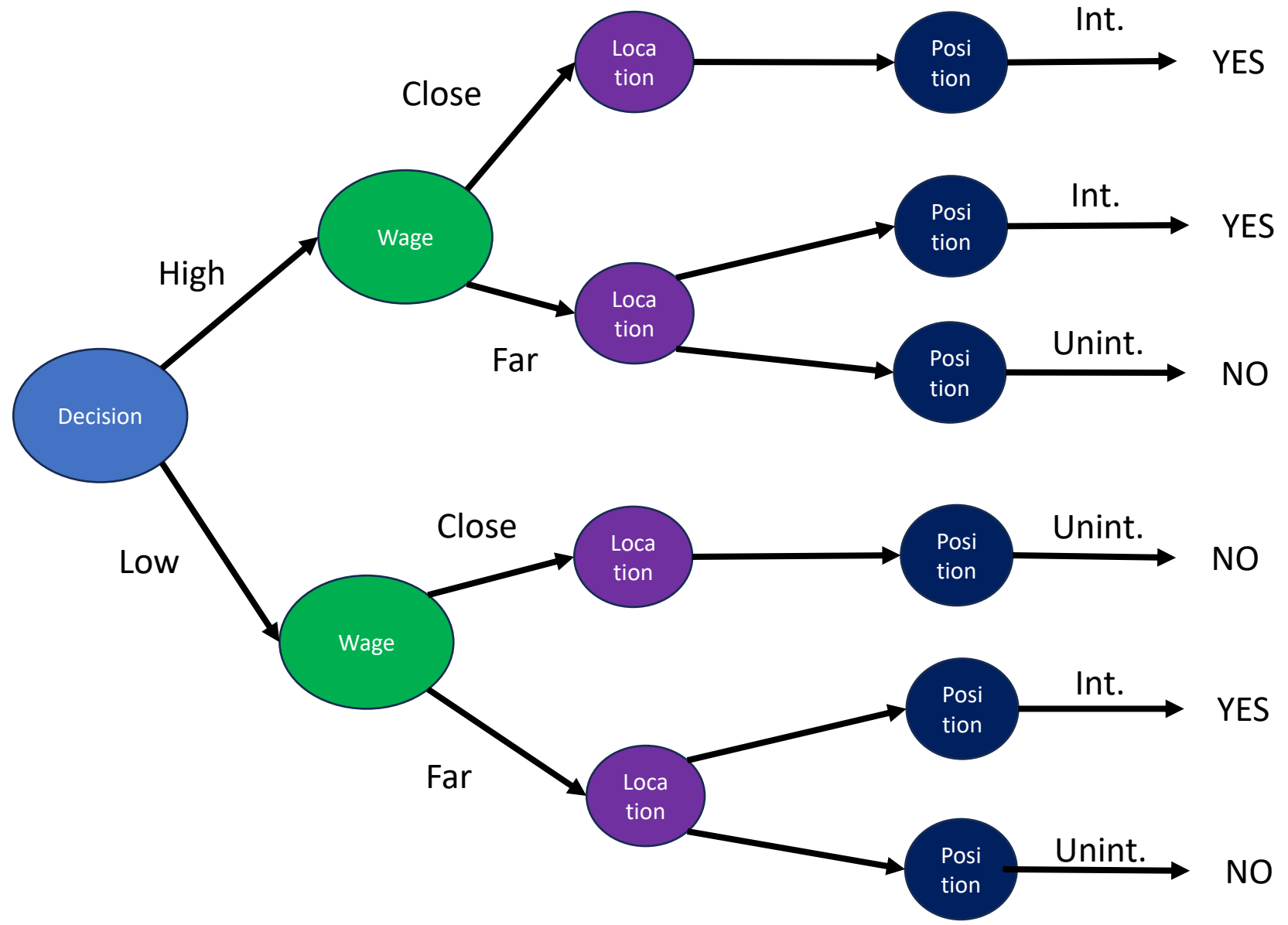
$$Gain_{Pos} = 1 - (1/2 * 0 + 1/2 * 0)$$

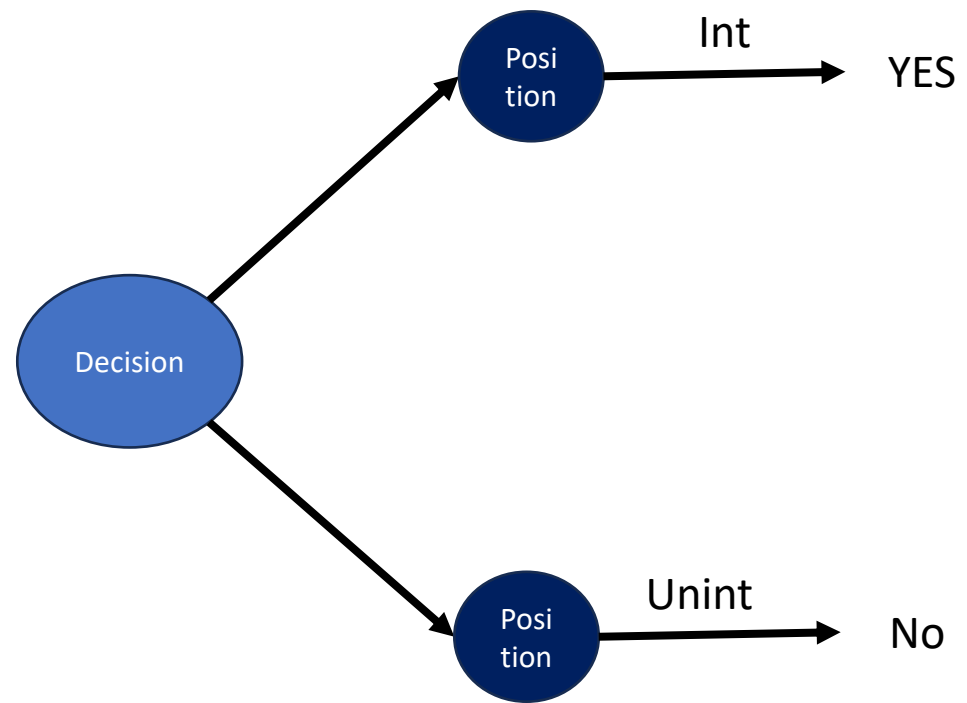
$$Gain_{Pos} = 1$$

Position Int = 3 cases (3 – YES + 0 – NO)

Position Unt = 3 cases (0 – YES + 3 – NO)





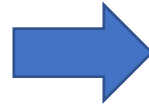


# Definitions

Gini Index →

- Gini impurity is a function that determines how well a decision tree was split.
- It helps to determine which splitter is best so that we can build a pure decision tree.
- Gini impurity ranges values from 0 to 0.5

Consider a dataset with N classes



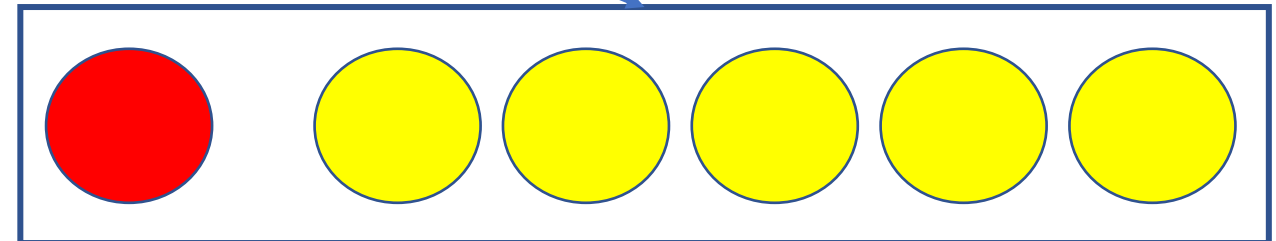
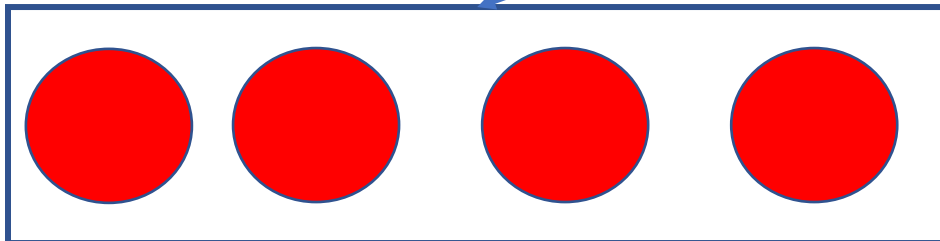
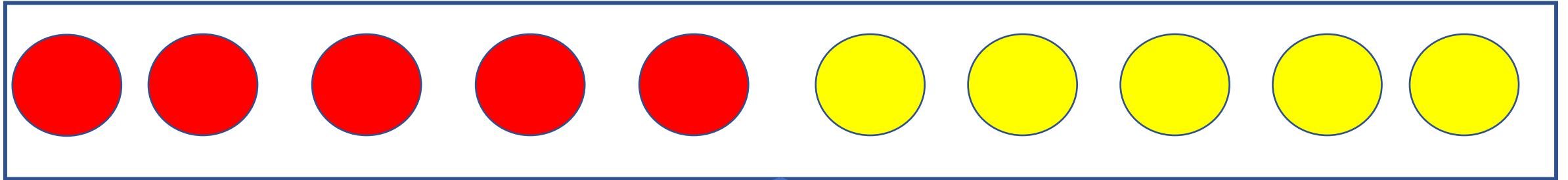
$$\text{Gini Index} = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^n (P_i)^2$$

$P_i$  denotes the probability of an element being classified for a class  $i$ .

# Definitions

Gini Index

$$\text{Gini Index} = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^n (P_i)^2$$

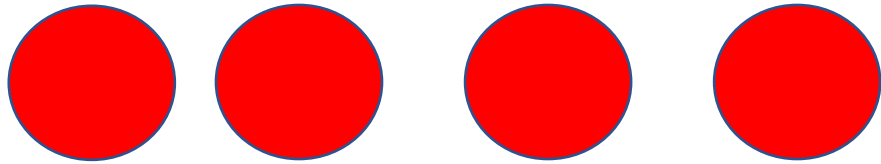


# Definitions

Gini Index

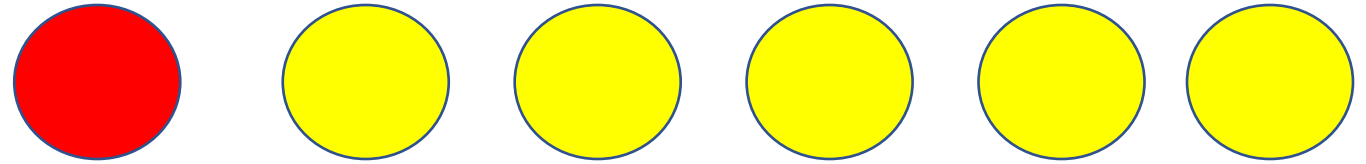
$$\text{Gini Index} = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^n (P_i)^2$$

N = 1



Pr = 4/4 or 1

N = 2



Pr = 1/6

Py = 5/6

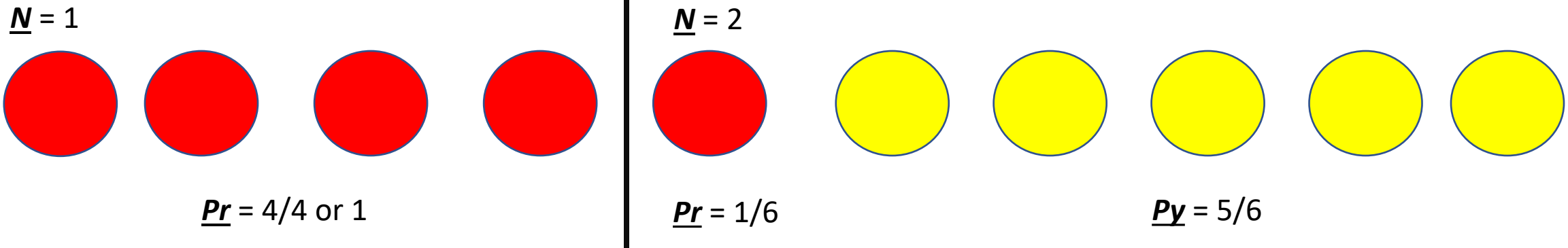
$$G_{left} = 1 - 1^2 = 0$$

$$G_{right} = 1 - \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^2 = 0.278$$

# Definitions

Gini Index

$$\text{Gini Index} = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^n (P_i)^2$$



$$\text{Gimpurity} = \left(\frac{4}{10}\right) * 0 + \left(\frac{6}{10}\right) * 0.278 = 0.167$$

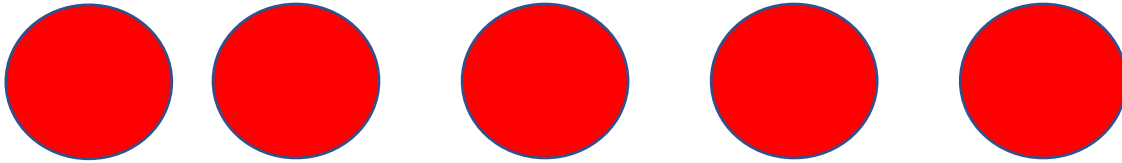
$$\text{Gain} = 0,5 - 0,167 = 0,333$$

# Definitions

Gini Index

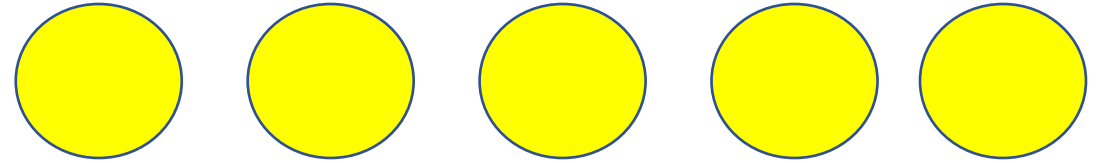
$$\text{Gini Index} = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^n (P_i)^2$$

$\underline{N} = 1$



$\underline{Pr} = 5/5$  or 1

$\underline{N} = 1$



$\underline{Py} = 5/5$  or 1

$$G_{left} = 1 - 1^2 = 0$$

$$G_{impurity} = 1 * 0 + 1 * 0 = 0$$

$$G_{right} = 1 - 1^2 = 0$$

$$\text{Gain} = 0,5 - 0 = 0,5$$

# Gini Index x Information Gain

- The Gini Index facilitates the bigger distributions so easy to implement whereas the Information Gain favors lesser distributions having small count with multiple specific values.
- The method of the Gini Index is used by CART (Classification and Regression Tree) algorithms, in contrast to it, Information Gain is used in ID3, C4.5 algorithms.
- Gini index operates on the categorical target variables in terms of “success” or “failure” and performs only binary split, in opposite to that Information Gain computes the difference between entropy before and after the split and indicates the impurity in classes of elements.



# Example

Dataset

<i>sepal.length</i>	<i>sepal.width</i>	<i>petal.length</i>	<i>petal.width</i>	<i>CLASS</i>
5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	Setosa
4.9	3	1.4	0.2	Setosa
4.7	3.2	1.3	0.2	Setosa
4.6	3.1	1.5	0.2	Setosa
5	3.6	1.4	0.2	Setosa
7	3.2	4.7	1.4	Versicolor
6.4	3.2	4.5	1.5	Versicolor
6.9	3.1	4.9	1.5	Versicolor
5.5	2.3	4	1.3	Versicolor
6.5	2.8	4.6	1.5	Versicolor
6.3	3.3	6	2.5	Virginica
5.8	2.7	5.1	1.9	Virginica
7.1	3	5.9	2.1	Virginica
6.3	2.9	5.6	1.8	Virginica
6.5	3	5.8	2.2	Virginica

# Example

## Dataset

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7	3.2	4.7	1.4	Versicolor
6.4	3.2	4.5	1.5	Versicolor
6.9	3.1	4.9	1.5	Versicolor
5.5	2.3	4	1.3	Versicolor
6.5	2.8	4.6	1.5	Versicolor
6.3	3.3	6	2.5	Virginica
5.8	2.7	5.1	1.9	Virginica
7.1	3	5.9	2.1	Virginica
6.3	2.9	5.6	1.8	Virginica
6.5	3	5.8	2.2	Virginica

## Features

sepal length (cm)  
sepal width (cm)  
petal length (cm)  
petal width (cm)

# Example

## Dataset

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6.5	3	5.8	2.2	Virginica

## Features

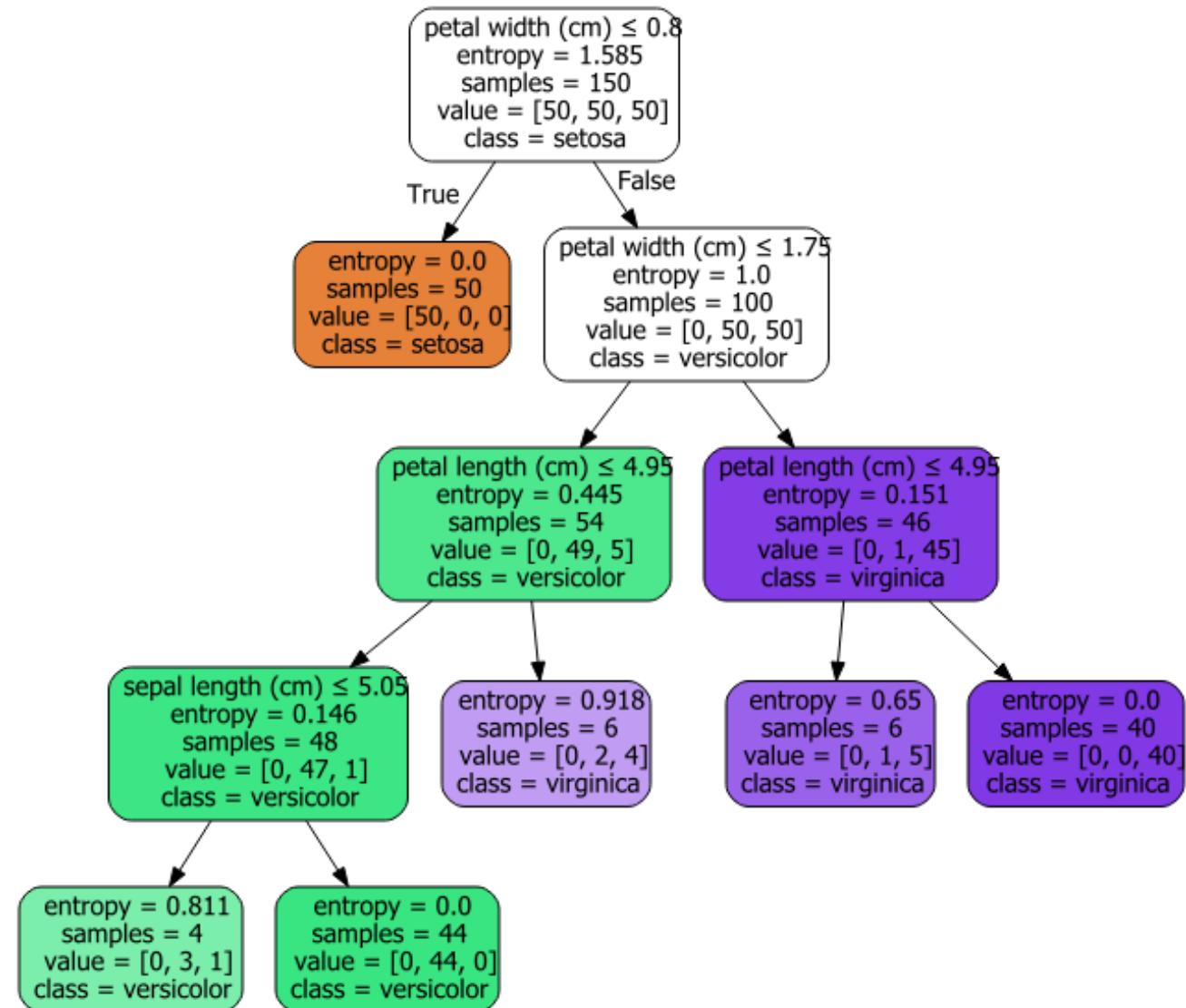
sepal length (cm)  
sepal width (cm)  
petal length (cm)  
petal width (cm)

## Classes

Setosa  
Versicolor  
Virginica

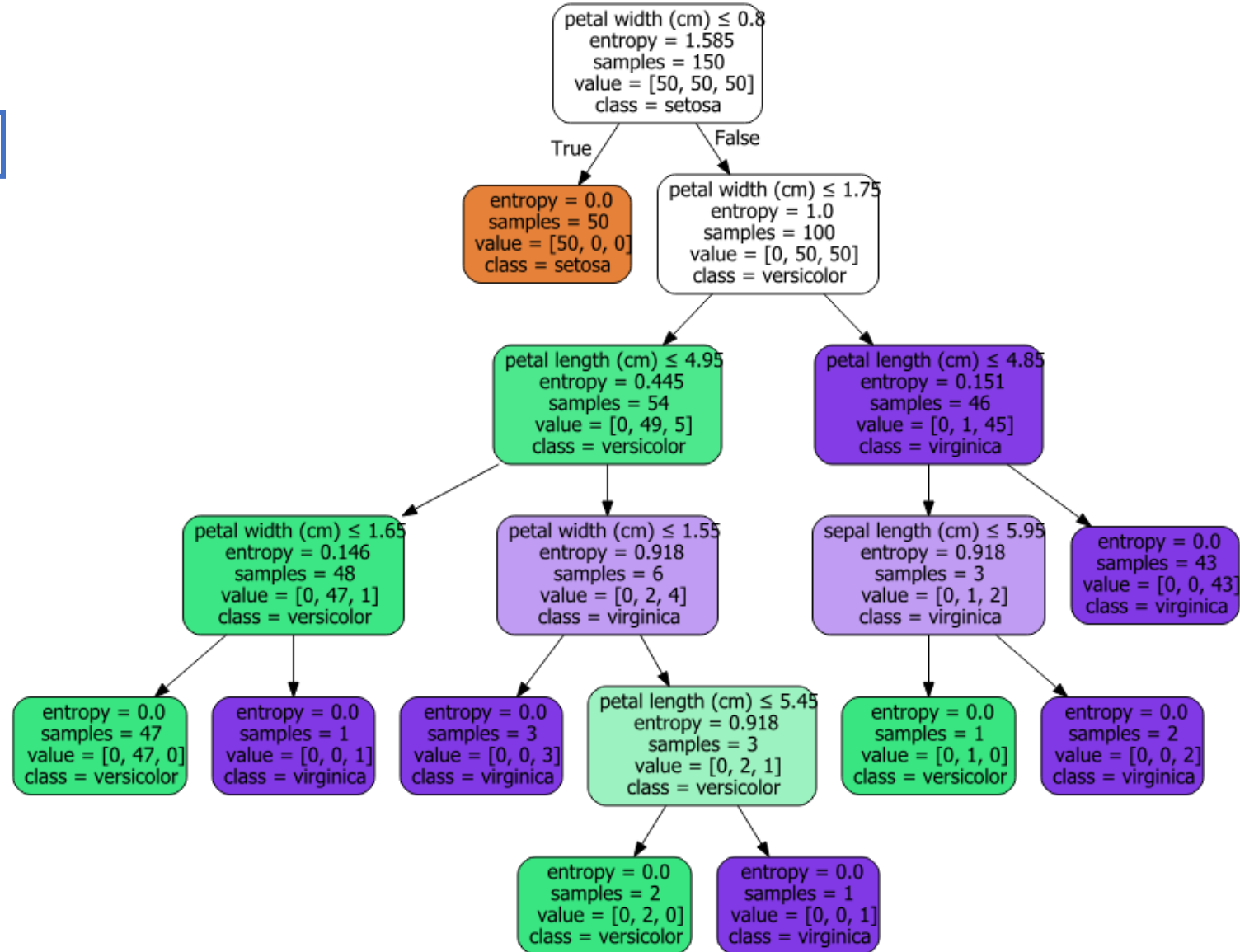
# Example

## Decision Tree



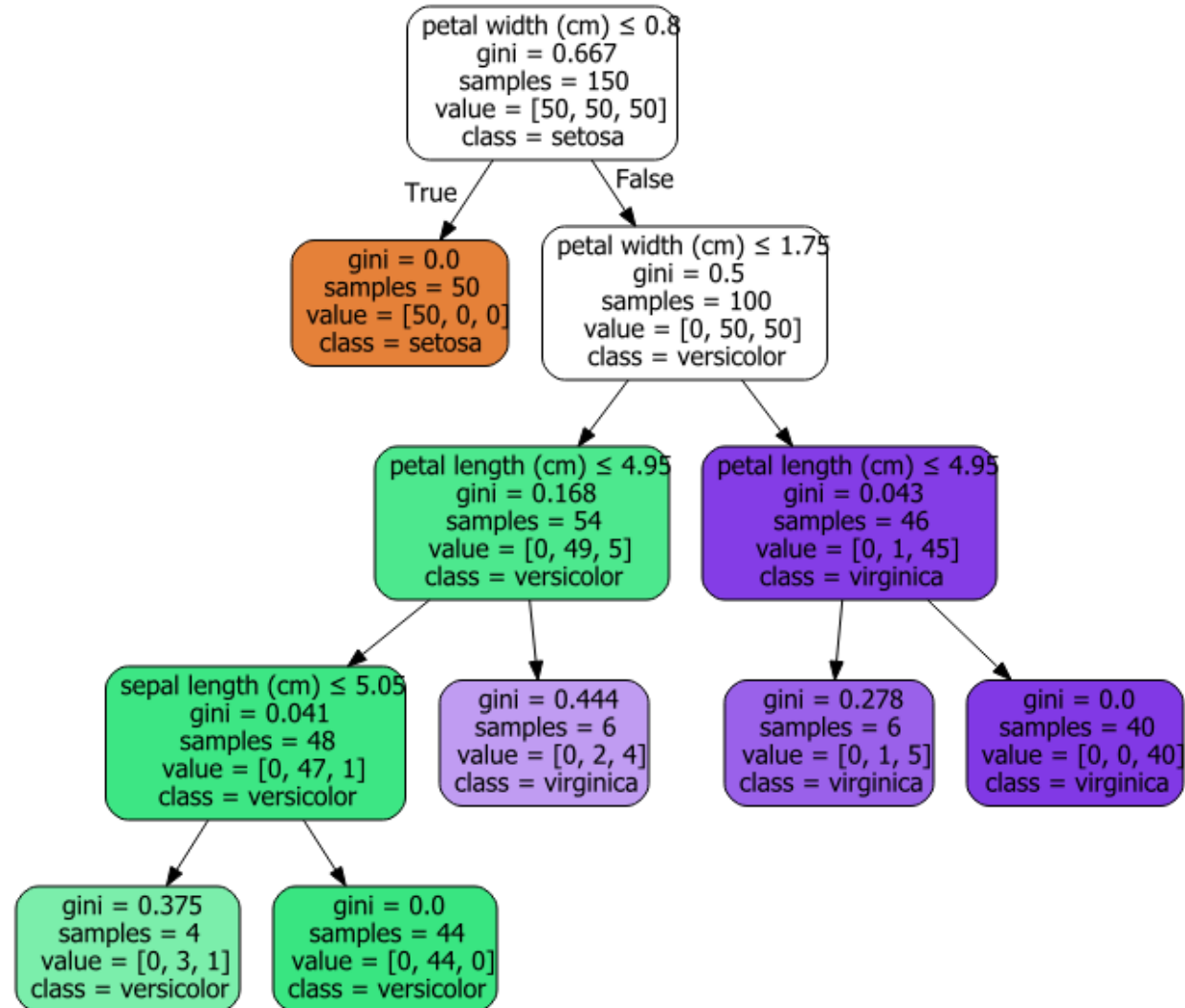
# Example

## Decision Tree



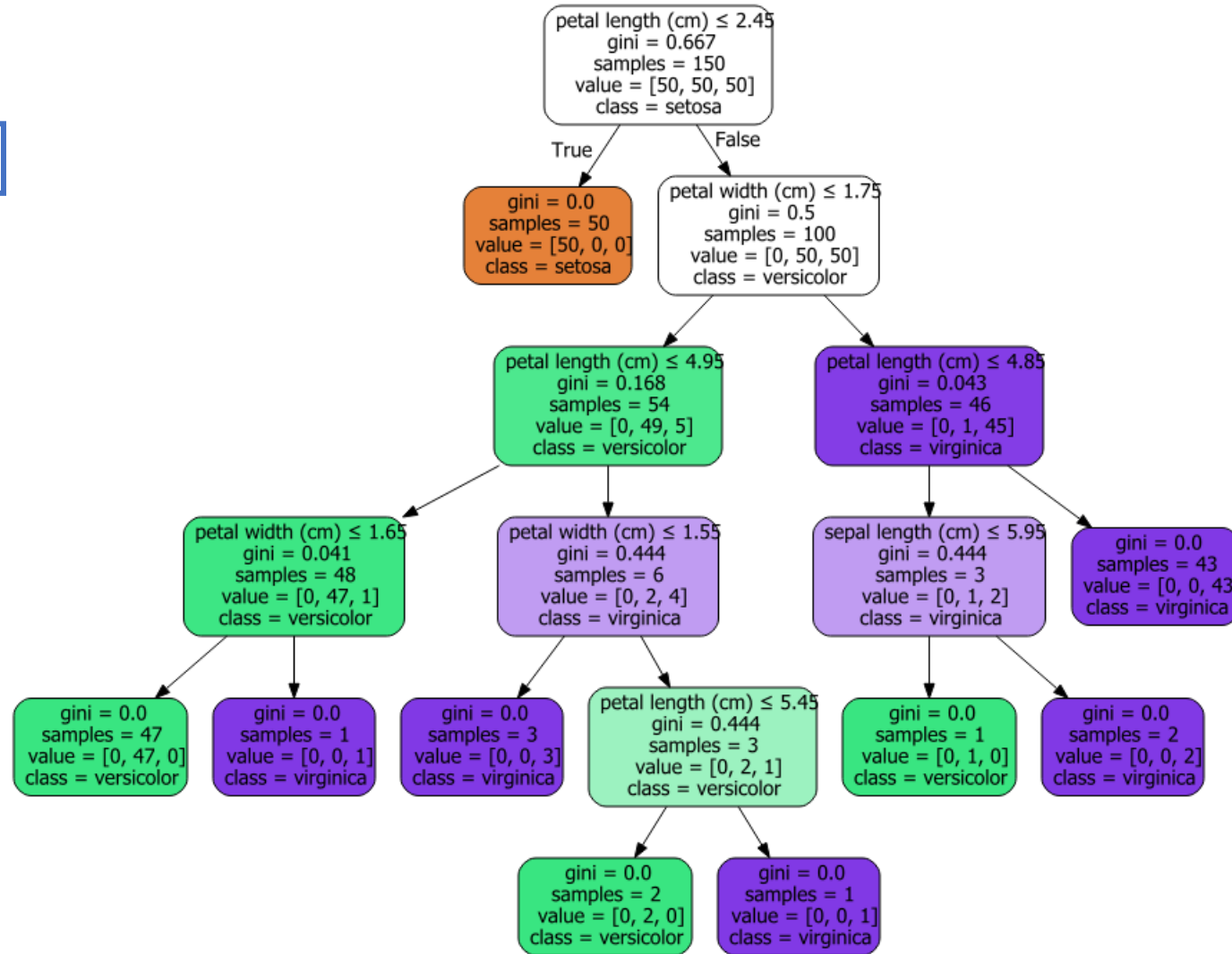
# Example

## Decision Tree



## Decision Tree

# Example



# Example

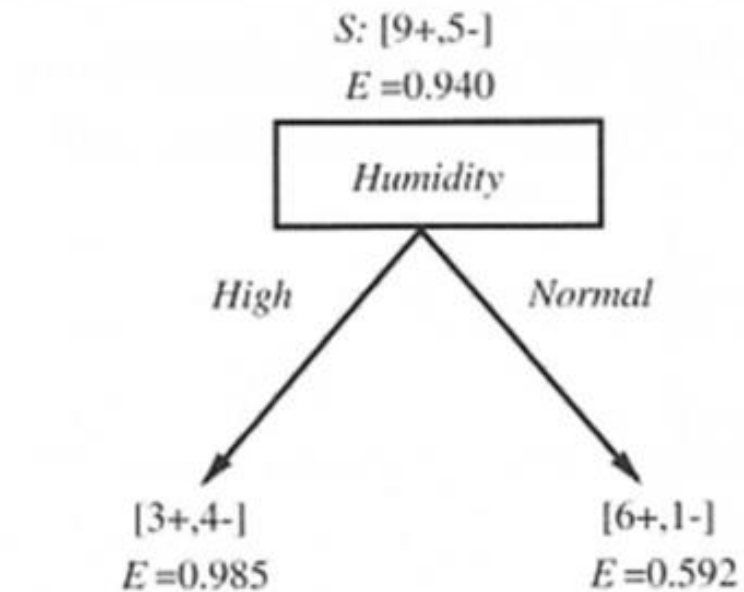
ID3

	<u>outlook</u>	<u>temp</u>	<u>humidity</u>	<u>windy</u>	<u>play</u>
1	sunny	hot	high	False	no
2	sunny	hot	high	True	no
3	overcast	hot	high	False	yes
4	rainy	mild	high	False	yes
5	rainy	cool	normal	False	yes
6	rainy	cool	normal	True	no
7	overcast	cool	normal	True	yes
8	sunny	mild	high	False	no
9	sunny	cool	normal	False	yes
10	rainy	mild	normal	False	yes
11	sunny	mild	normal	True	yes
12	overcast	mild	high	True	yes
13	overcast	hot	normal	False	yes
14	rainy	mild	high	True	no

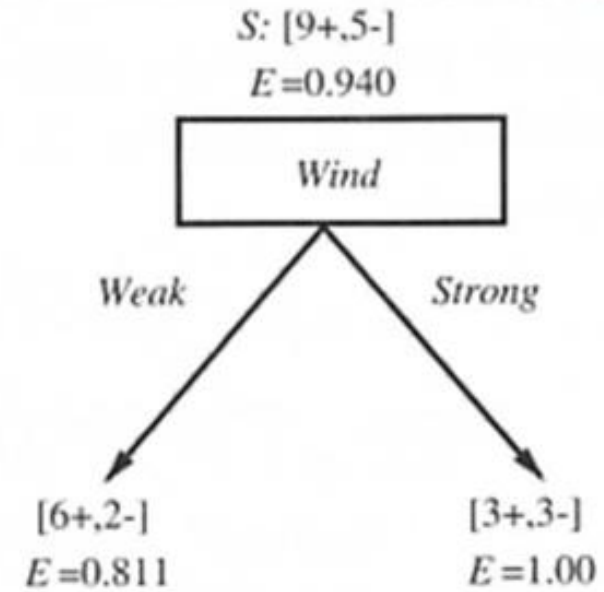


# Example

ID3



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Gain}(S, \text{Humidity}) &= .940 - (7/14).985 - (7/14).592 \\ &= .151 \end{aligned}$$

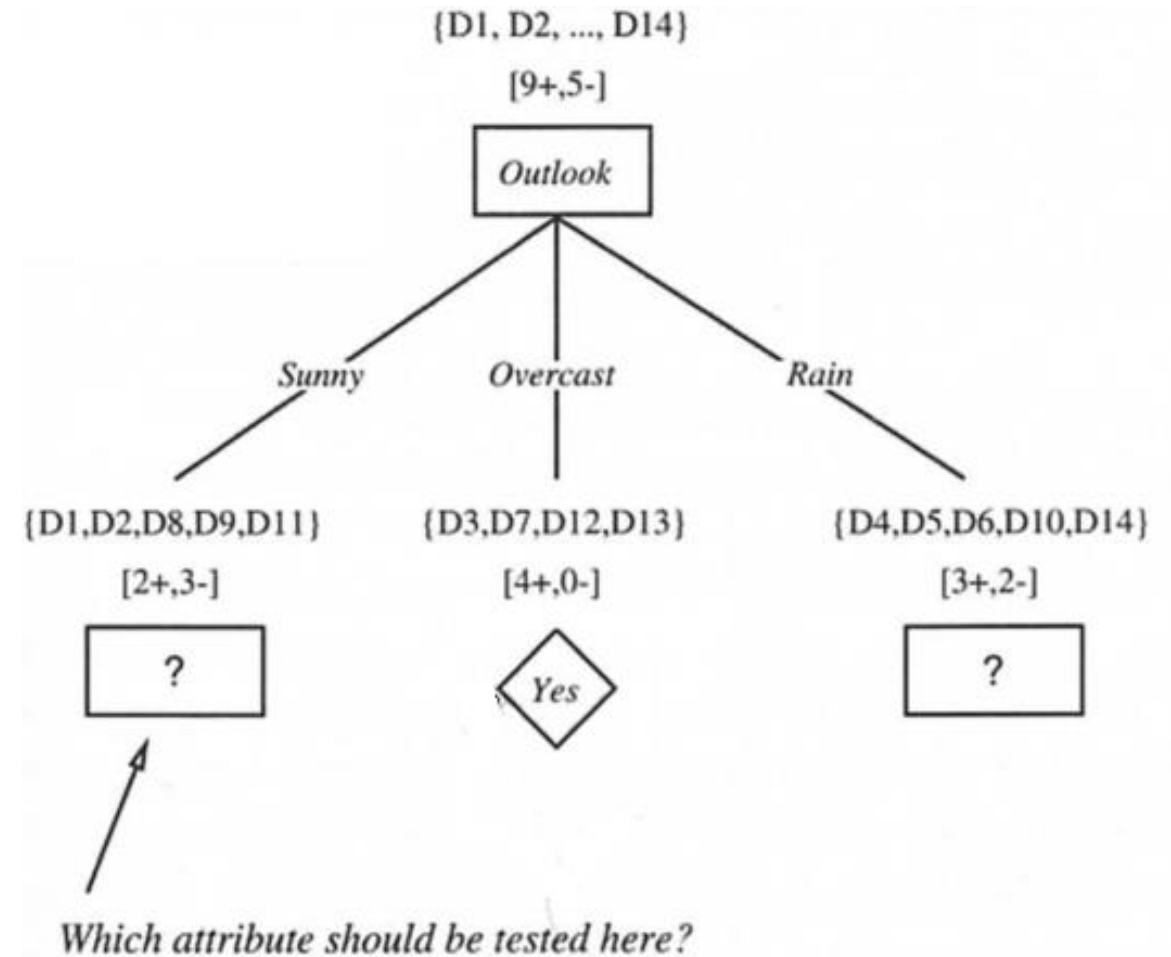


$$\begin{aligned} \text{Gain}(S, \text{Wind}) &= .940 - (8/14).811 - (6/14)1.0 \\ &= .048 \end{aligned}$$

# Example

ID3

- Gain (S, Outlook) = 0.246
- Gain (S, Humidity) = 0.151
- Gain (S, Wind) = 0.048
- Gain (S, Temperature) = 0.029



# Example

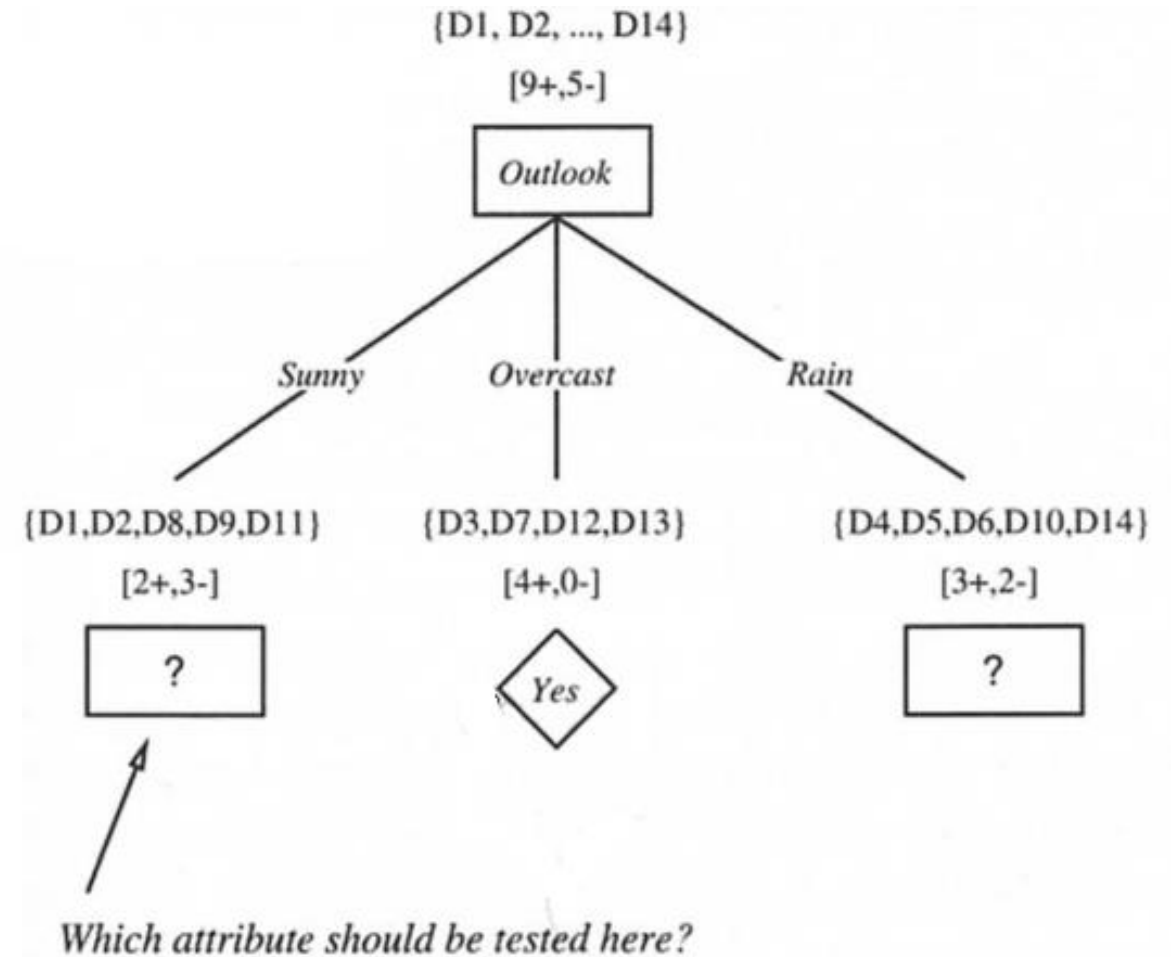
ID3

$$S_{\text{sunny}} = \{D1, D2, D8, D9, D11\}$$

$$\text{Gain}(S_{\text{sunny}}, \text{Humidity}) = .970 - (3/5) 0.0 - (2/5) 0.0 + .970$$

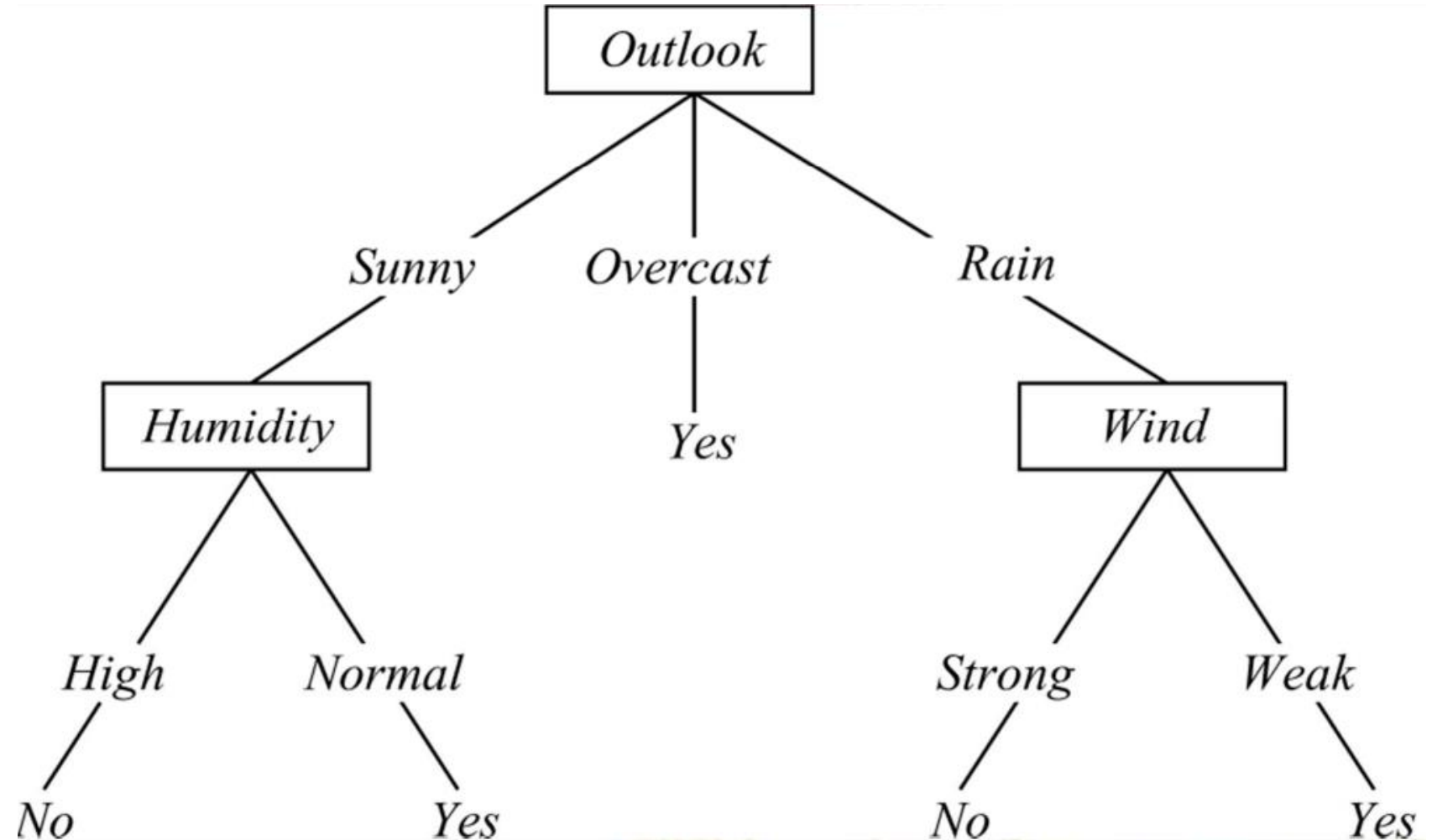
$$\text{Gain}(S_{\text{sunny}}, \text{Temperature}) = .970 - (2/5) 0.0 - (2/5) 1.0 - (1/5) 0.0 = .570$$

$$\text{Gain}(S_{\text{sunny}}, \text{Wind}) = .970 - (2/5) 1.0 - (3/5) .918 = .019$$



# Example

ID3



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