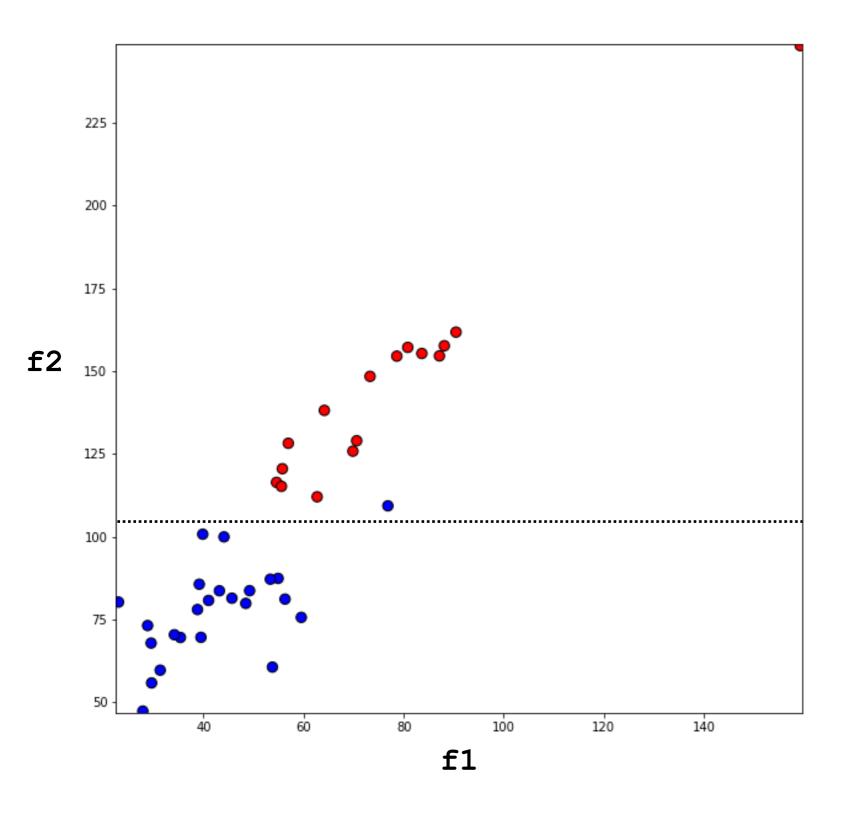
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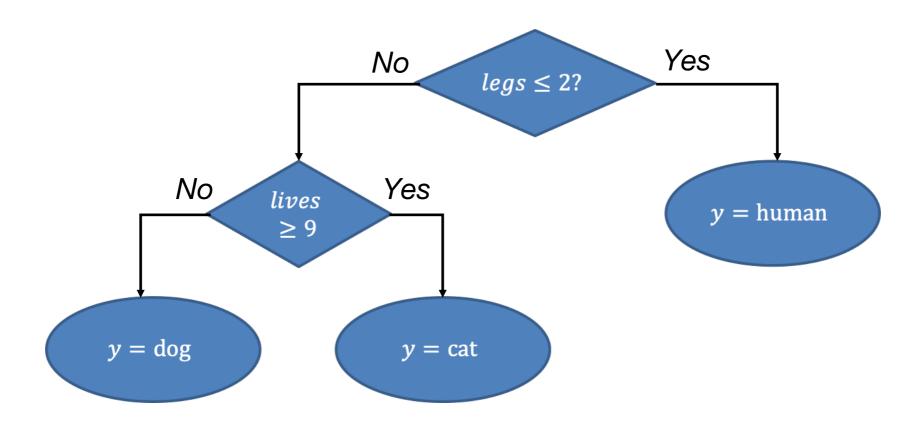
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# Decision Trees, Bagging, and Boosting



if f2 < 105:
 print 'Blue'
else:
 print 'Red'</pre>

# Decision Trees



### Decision Trees

More explainable

Why do we care?

- More interpretable
- Can be quite powerful
- One of the most commonly used algorithms
- Surprisingly useful for many sensing problems

### High-Stakes Decisions





- Healthcare: What treatment to recommend to the patient?
- Criminal Justice: Should the defendant be released on bail?

High-Stakes Decisions: Impact on human well-being.

### What is Interpretability?

- Defn: Ability to explain or to present in understandable terms to a human
- No clear answers in psychology to:
  - What constitutes an explanation?
  - What makes some explanations better than the others?
  - When are explanations sought?

### When and Why Interpretability?

- Not all ML systems require interpretability
  - E.g., ad servers, postal code sorting
  - No human intervention
- No explanation needed because:
  - No consequences for unacceptable results
  - Problem is well studied and validated well in real-world applications 

    trust system's decision

When do we need explanation then?

### Motivation for Interpretability

- ML systems are being deployed in complex high-stakes settings
- Accuracy alone is no longer enough
- Auxiliary criteria are important:
  - Safety
  - Nondiscrimination
  - Right to explanation (Now an EU law!)

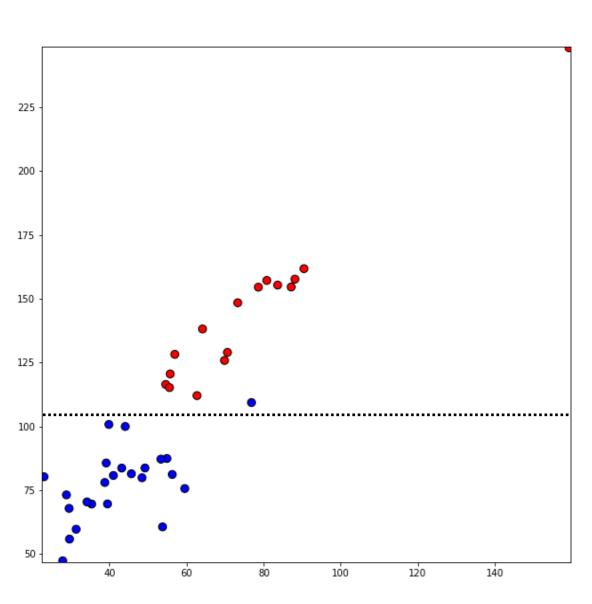
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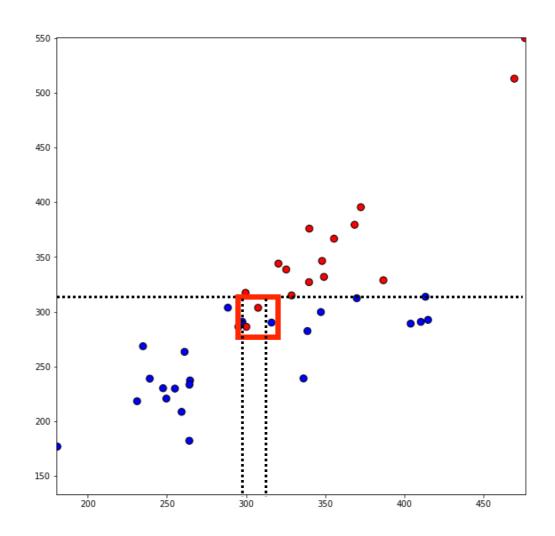
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# Decision Trees with Sensor Data



- Threshold heuristics can be hard to develop
- DTs figures out the thresholds for you
- Especially in case of other environmental variables

### Decision Trees



- The tree can look at the same variable multiple times
- Come up with a long sequence of decision points to develop the complete tree

## Building a Decision Tree

Figuring out when to ask what question!

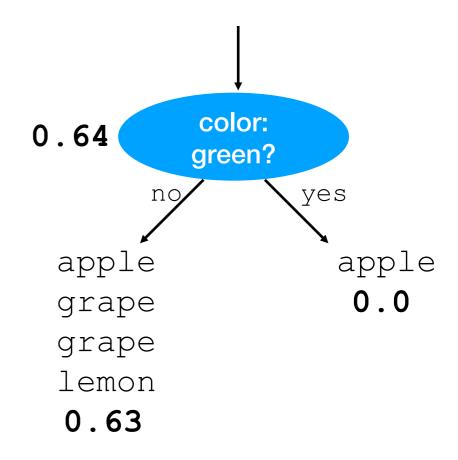
Gini Impurity: What is the probability of me randomly picking up class A and being correct?

Color	Measurement	Fruit
Green	15	Apple
Yellow	15	Apple
Red	5	Grape
Red	5	Grape
Yellow	10	Lemon

Courtesy: Josh Gordon, Google

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$$G.I. = 0.64$$



### Average Impurity = 4/5 \* 0.63 + 1/5 \* 0.0

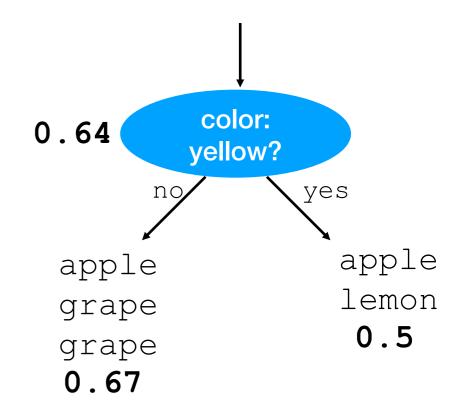
= ~0.5

#### Information Gain

$$= 0.64 - 0.5$$

= 0.14

Color	Measurement	Fruit
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G.I. = 
$$p \text{ (apple)} \cdot (1 - p \text{ (apple)})$$
  
+  $p \text{ (grape)} \cdot (1 - p \text{ (grape)})$   
+  $p \text{ (lemon)} \cdot (1 - p \text{ (lemon)})$ 

$$G.I. = 0.64$$

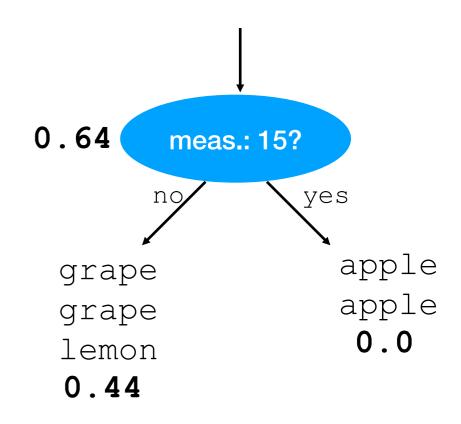
#### Average Impurity

$$= 3/5 * 0.67 + 2/5 * 0.5$$
  
 $= \sim 0.6$ 

#### Information Gain

$$= 0.04$$

Color	Measurement	Fruit
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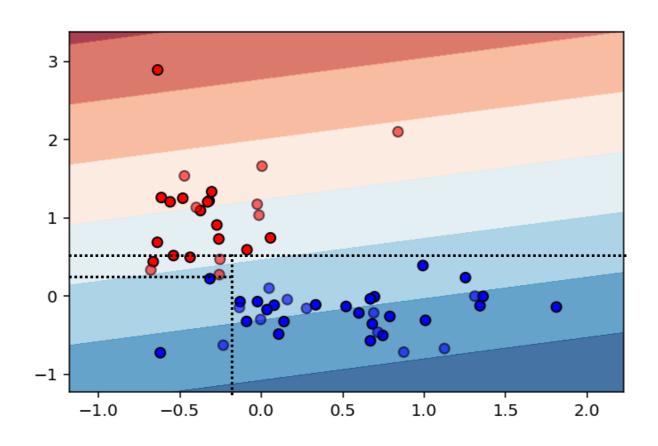
#### Average Impurity

$$= 3/5 * 0.44 + 2/5 * 0.0$$
  
= 0.26

#### Information Gain

$$= 0.64 - 0.26$$
  
 $= 0.38$ 

### Decision Trees



- This is the output from an SVM with a linear kernel
- DTs cannot build such angled lines
- No "smooth" separations
- Too dependent on the axes
- No need to scale though!

### Decision Trees ++

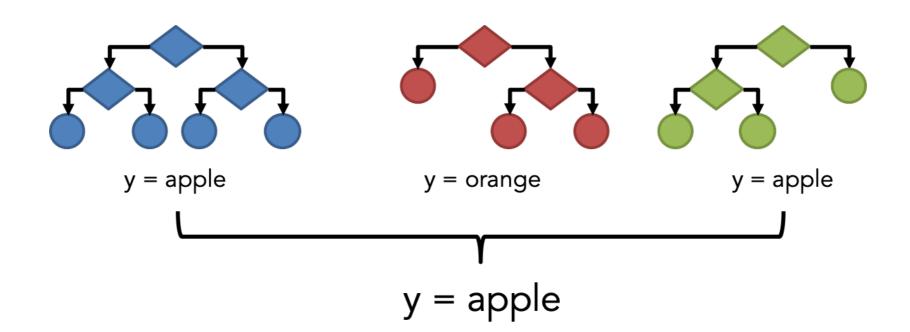
### Ensemble of Trees

Build multiple trees and combine their output

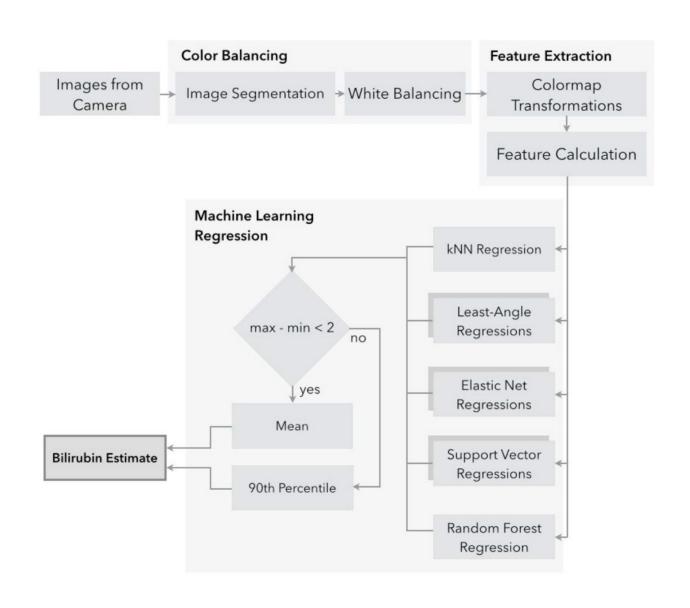
- Bagging
- Boosting

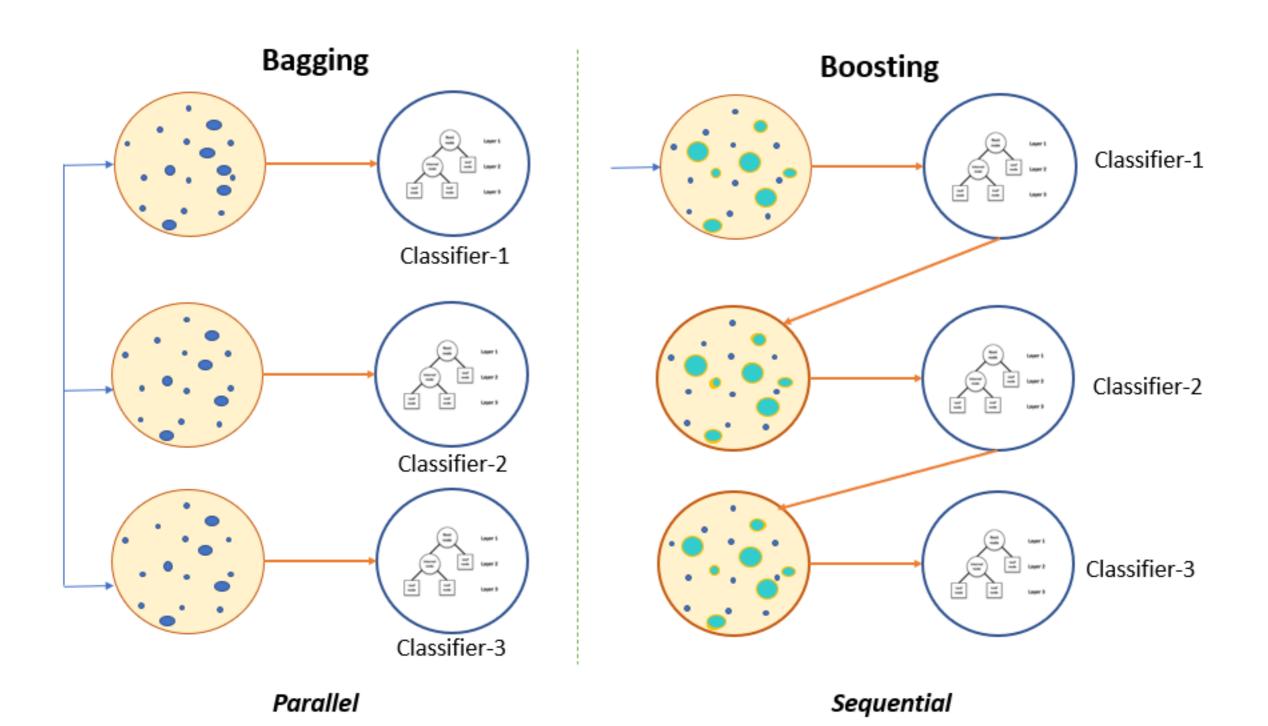
# Bagging

- In parallel
- Random Forests



# Bagging





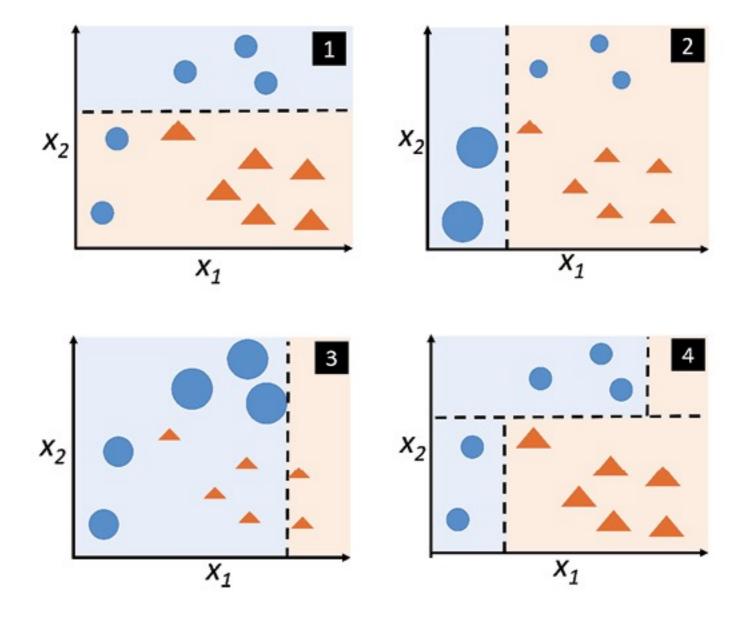
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# Boosting

- Combining weak classifiers to make a stronger one
- Sequential

# Boosting

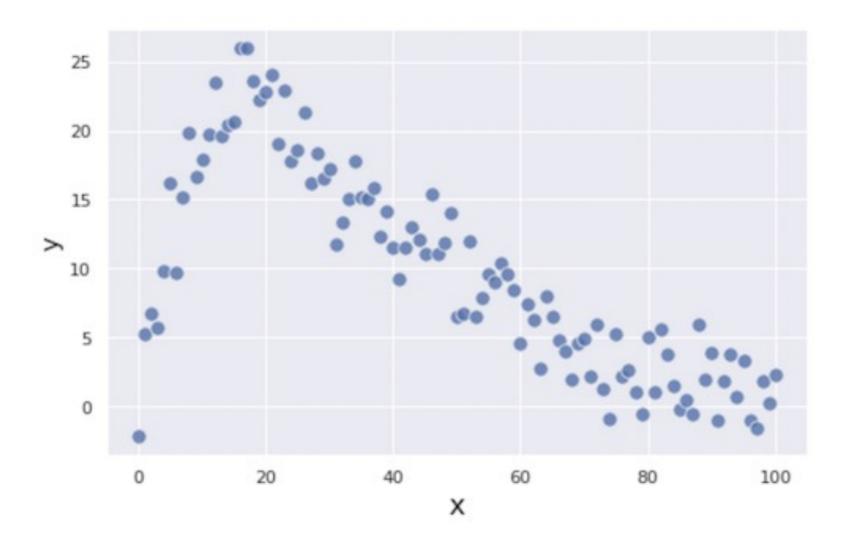
- AdaBoost (Adaptive Boosting)
  - Fit a tree
  - Calculate error (weighted)
  - Increase weight of wrongly classified points
  - Train another tree
  - •
  - In the end, each tree will have a weight, and
  - the final prediction is the weighted majority vote from each tree



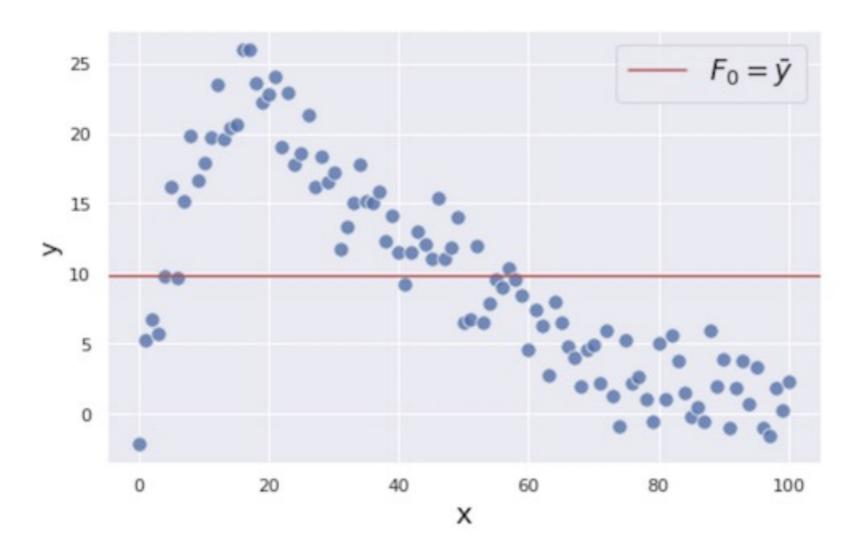
# Boosting

- Gradient Boosting
  - Fit a tree
  - Calculate error (weighted)
  - Train on error
  - Train another tree
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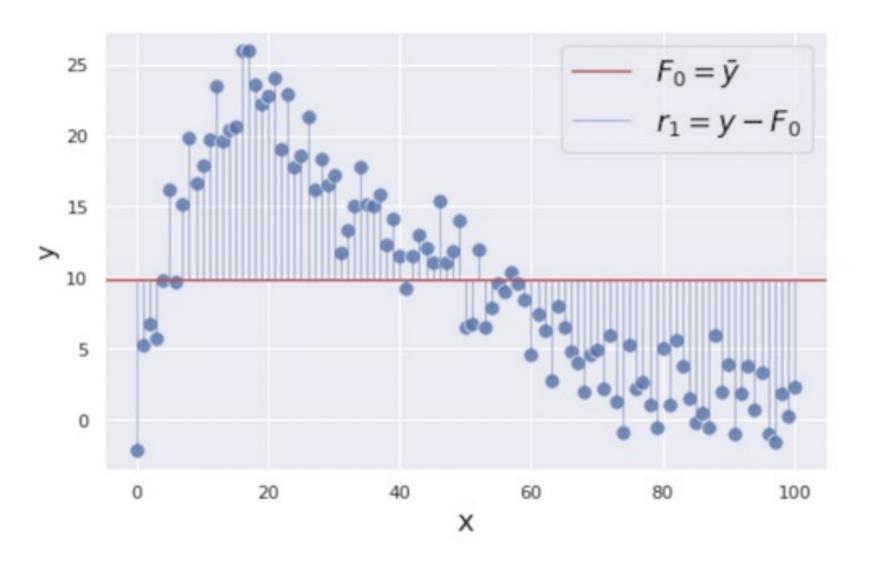
• In the end, add up the predictions of each tree



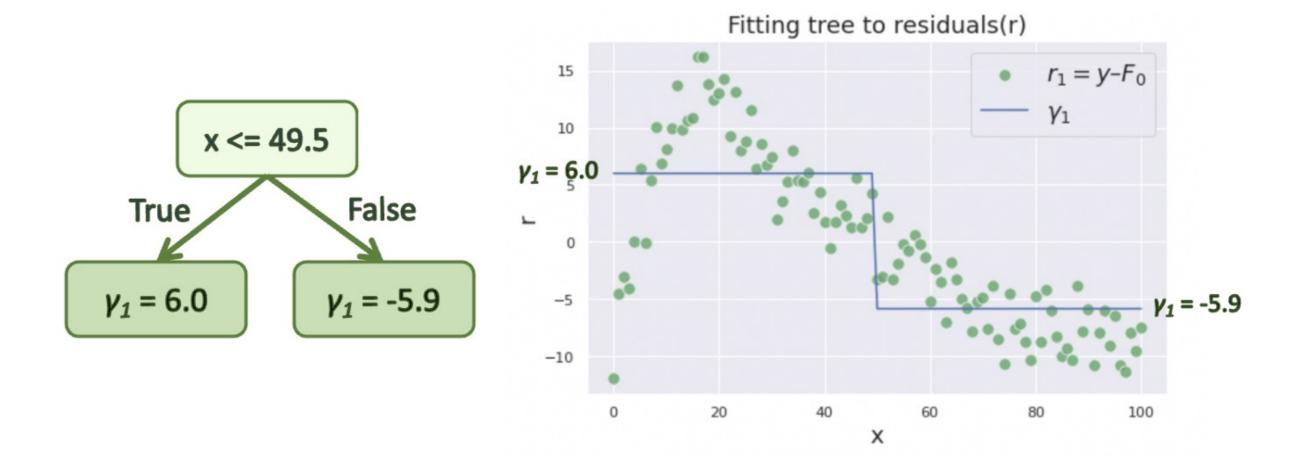
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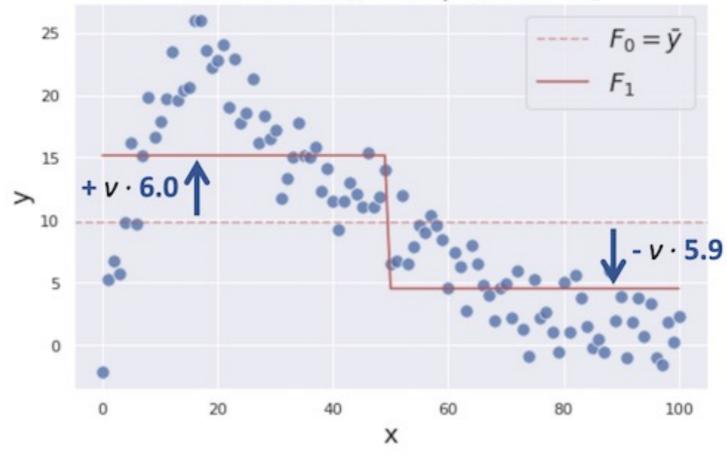
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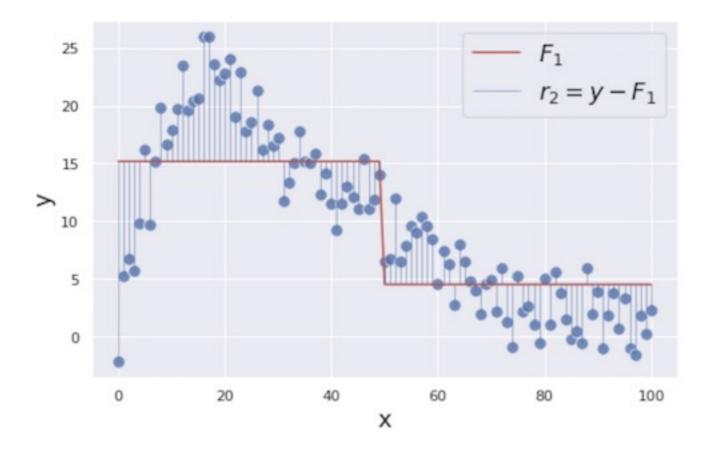
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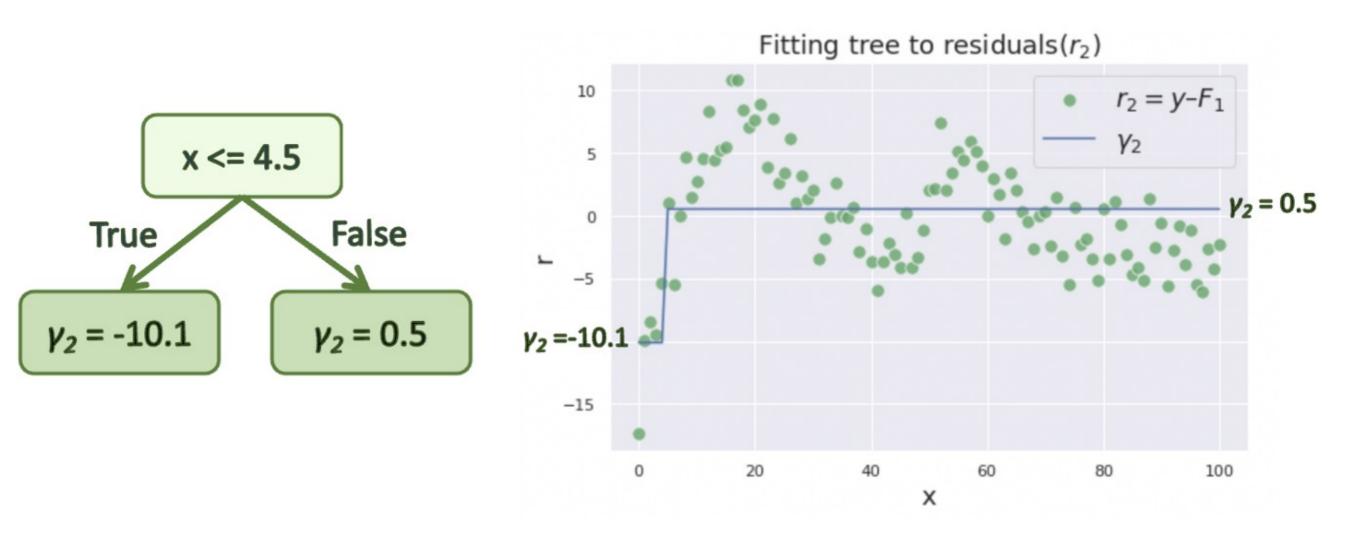


#### Predictions( $F_0$ ) are updated to $F_1$

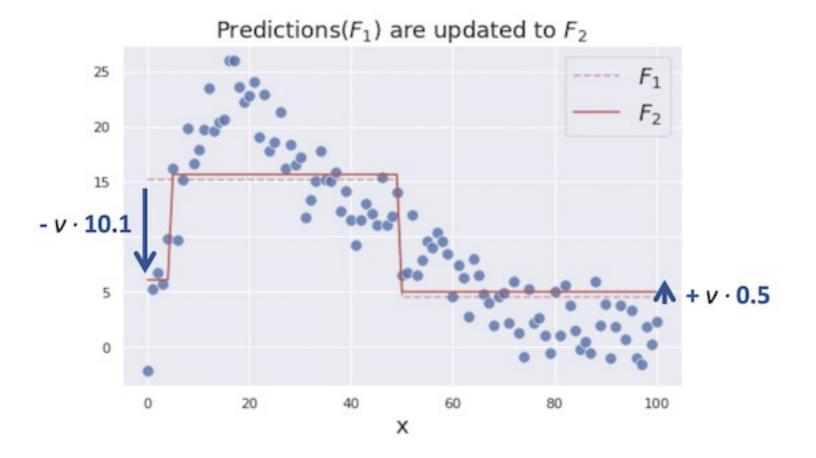


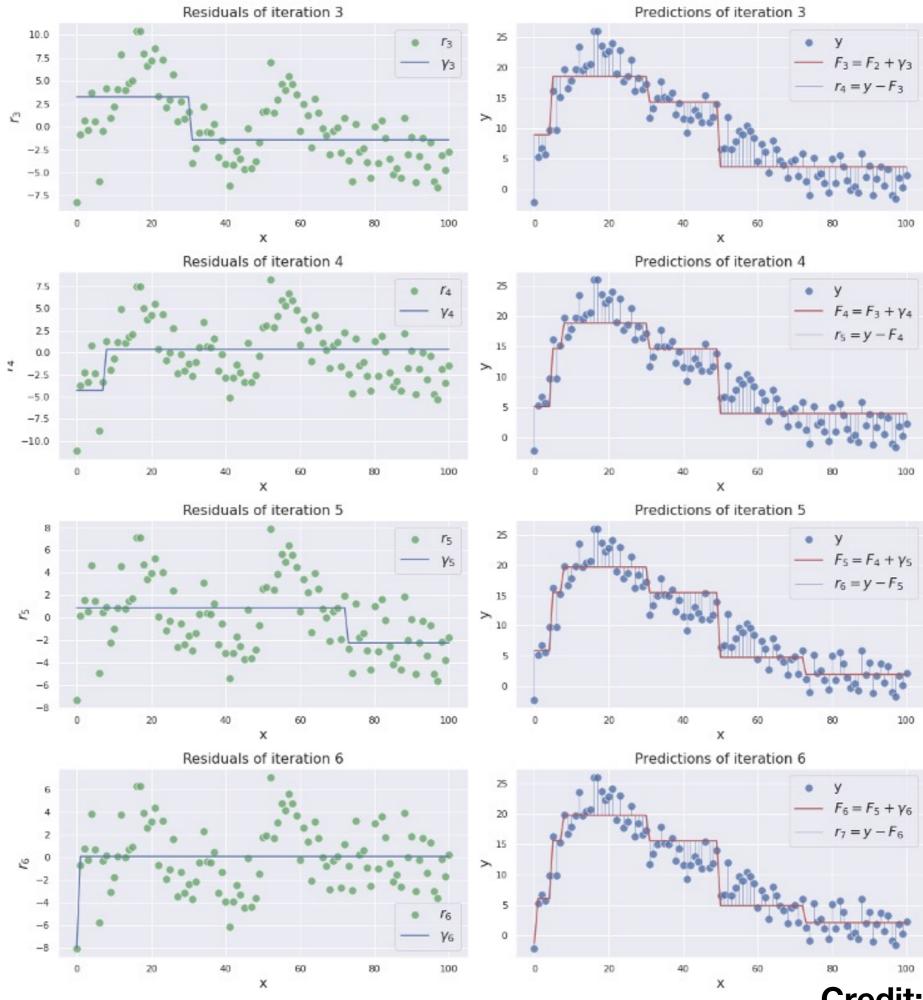
$$F_1 = \begin{cases} F_0 + \nu \cdot 6.0 & if \ x \le 49.5 \\ F_0 - \nu \cdot 5.9 & otherwise \end{cases}$$





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