



Decision Tree – Classification

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Overview

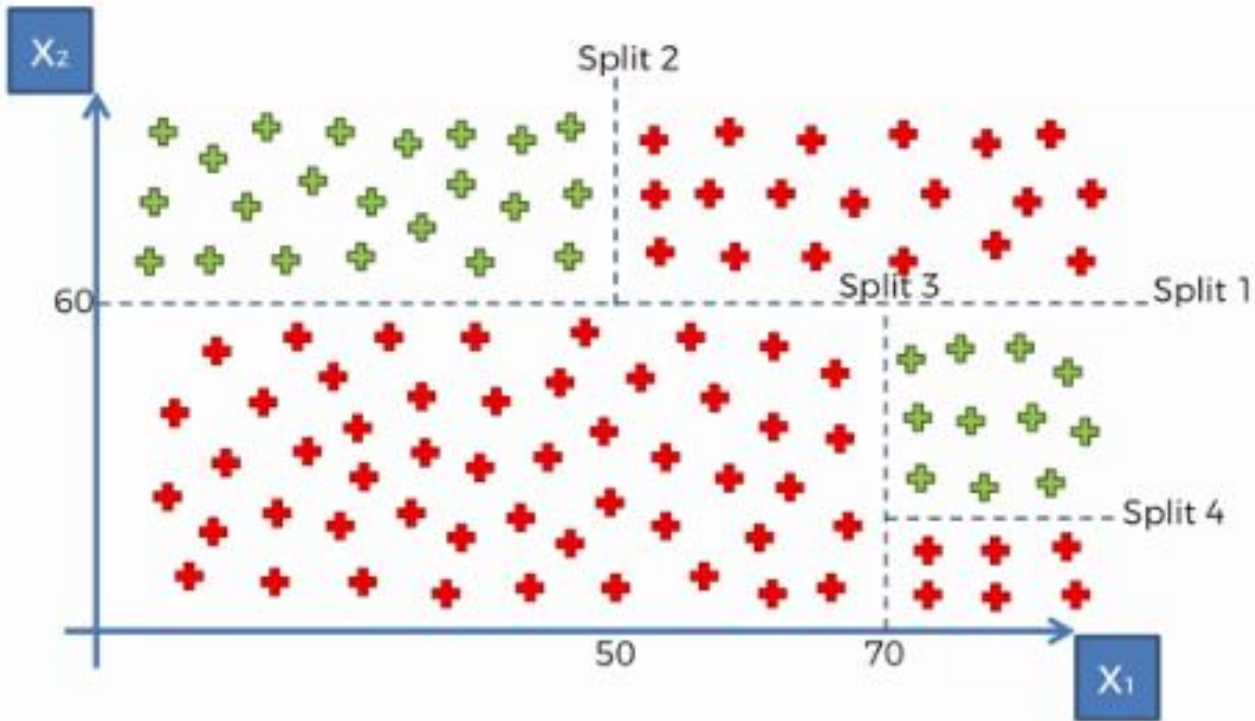
- Decision trees are of two types – Regression and classification
- **For classification, It creates leaves or pockets so that the maximum number of data points of the same class lie in that split.**
- If an input value falls in a leaf, the prediction for that input will be the mode of the classes of the data points in that leaf.
- How and where these splits are conducted are determined by the algorithm.



- Split occurs on the basis of information entropy (is the split increasing the amount of information that we have about our points). The split tries to minimize entropy to achieve that.
- The split stops when we cannot add any more information about the leaf or the new leaf has less than say 5% of total points of the actual leaf.
- Instead of looking at all the points in our dataset, we are looking at specific cluster which localizes the prediction and can be more accurate.
- If the data is non linear, this is a good option.



- Our data set -





- Tree -

