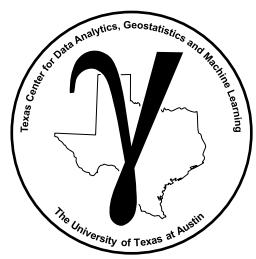


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## Lecture 14: Decision Tree

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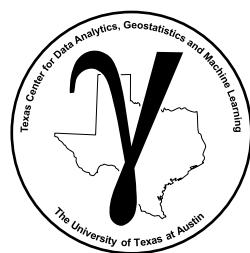
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# Motivation

## Motivation for decision tree

- flexible and easy to understand
- extend to much more powerful ensemble tree methods



# Decision Tree

Black spruce forest Boreal Forest, Alaska,  
<https://www.britannica.com/plant/spruce>.

## Aspects of decision trees

**Supervised Learning** - decision tree is used for supervised learning, with labels,  $Y$ .

$$Y = f(X_1, \dots, X_m) + \epsilon$$

we are predicting a response,  $Y$ , from a set of features,  $X_1, \dots, X_m$

**Region-based Prediction**, first form regions and then in each region ...

**Regression or Classification** - continuous  $Y$  for regression tree or categorical  $Y$  for classification tree.

Average of Training Data in Region

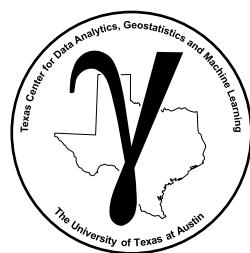
$$\hat{y} = \frac{1}{|R_j|} \sum_{X_i \in R_j} y_i$$

Most Common / Plurality of Training Data in Region

$$\hat{y} = \arg \max_{c \in C} \frac{1}{|R_j|} \sum_{X_i \in R_j} I(y_i = c)$$

Note,  $I$  is the indicator transform, 1 if  $y_i = c$ , 0 otherwise.





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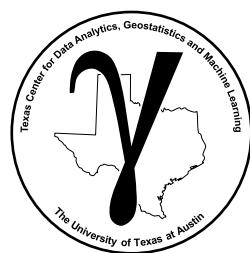
## Why cover decision trees?

- They are not the most powerful, cutting-edge method in machine learning
- But they are likely the most understandable, interpretable
- Decision trees are expanded with random forests, bagging and boosting to be cutting edge.

Let's learn first about a single tree and then we can comprehend the forest

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# Decision Tree

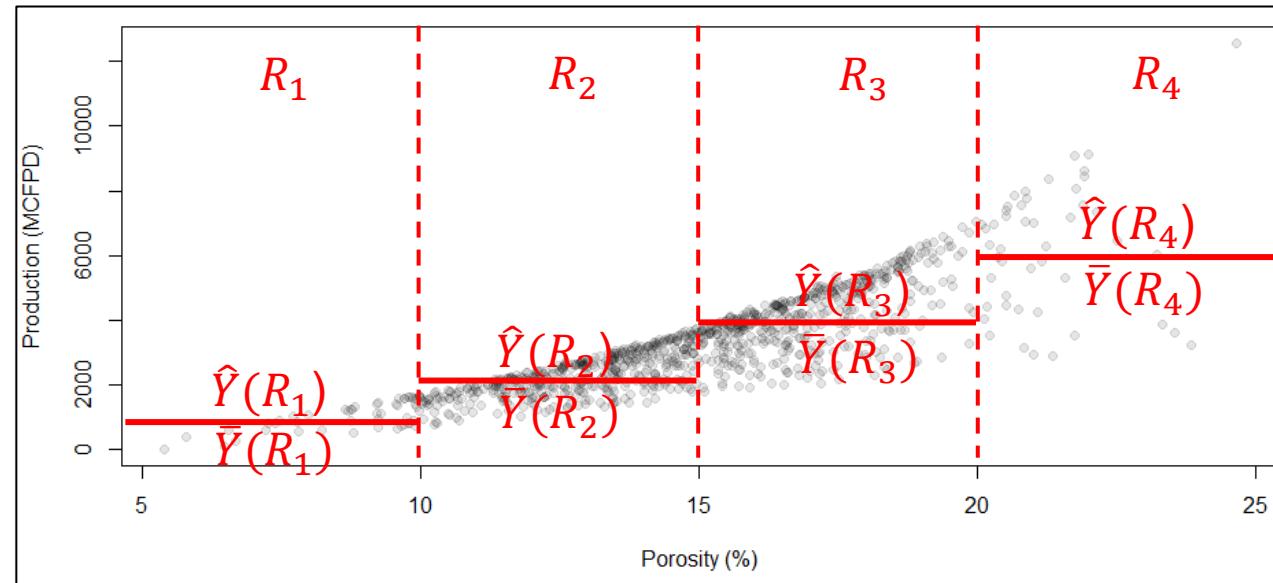
## Predictor feature space segmentation-based prediction

The fundamental idea is to divide the predictor space,  $X_1, \dots, X_m$ , into  $J$  mutually exclusive, exhaustive regions

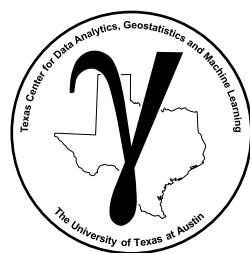
- **mutually exclusive** – any combination of predictors only belongs to a single region,  $R_j$
- **exhaustive** – all combinations of predictors belong a region,  $R_j$ , regions cover entire feature space (range of the variables being considered)

The same prediction in each region, mean of training data in region,  $\hat{Y}(R_j) = \bar{Y}(R_j)$  or  $\hat{Y}(R_j) = \arg \max(Y(R_j))$

For example, predict production,  $\hat{Y}$ , from continuous porosity,  $X_1$ ,



4 region decision tree with data and predictions by region,  $R_j, j = 1, \dots, J$ .



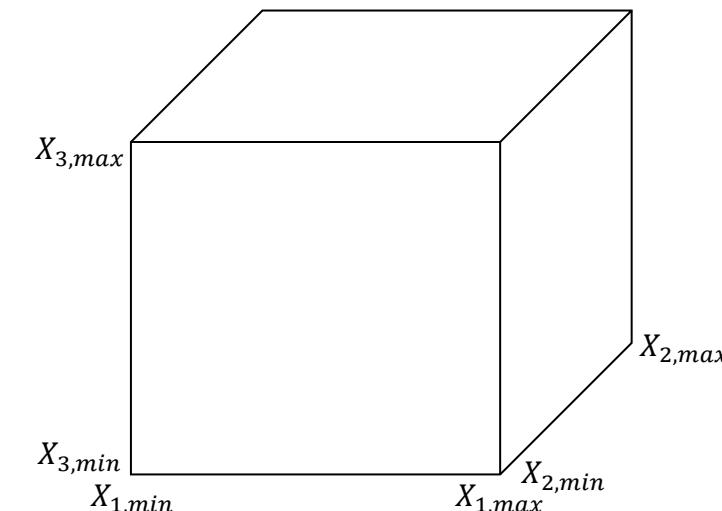
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## Predictor Feature Space

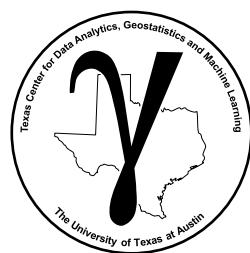
The space that includes all possible estimation problems, i.e., the combination of all possible predictor feature values,  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m$ .

Typically this is defined by the range of possible values,  $x_\alpha \in [X_{\alpha,min}, X_{\alpha,max}]$ , resulting in,

- line segment – 1 predictor feature
- rectangle – 2 predictor features
- rectangular cuboid - 3 predictor features
- hyperrectangle - >3 predictor features



Schematic of predictor feature space.



# Decision Tree

How do we construct regions,  $R_1, R_2, \dots, R_J$ , for our predictions?

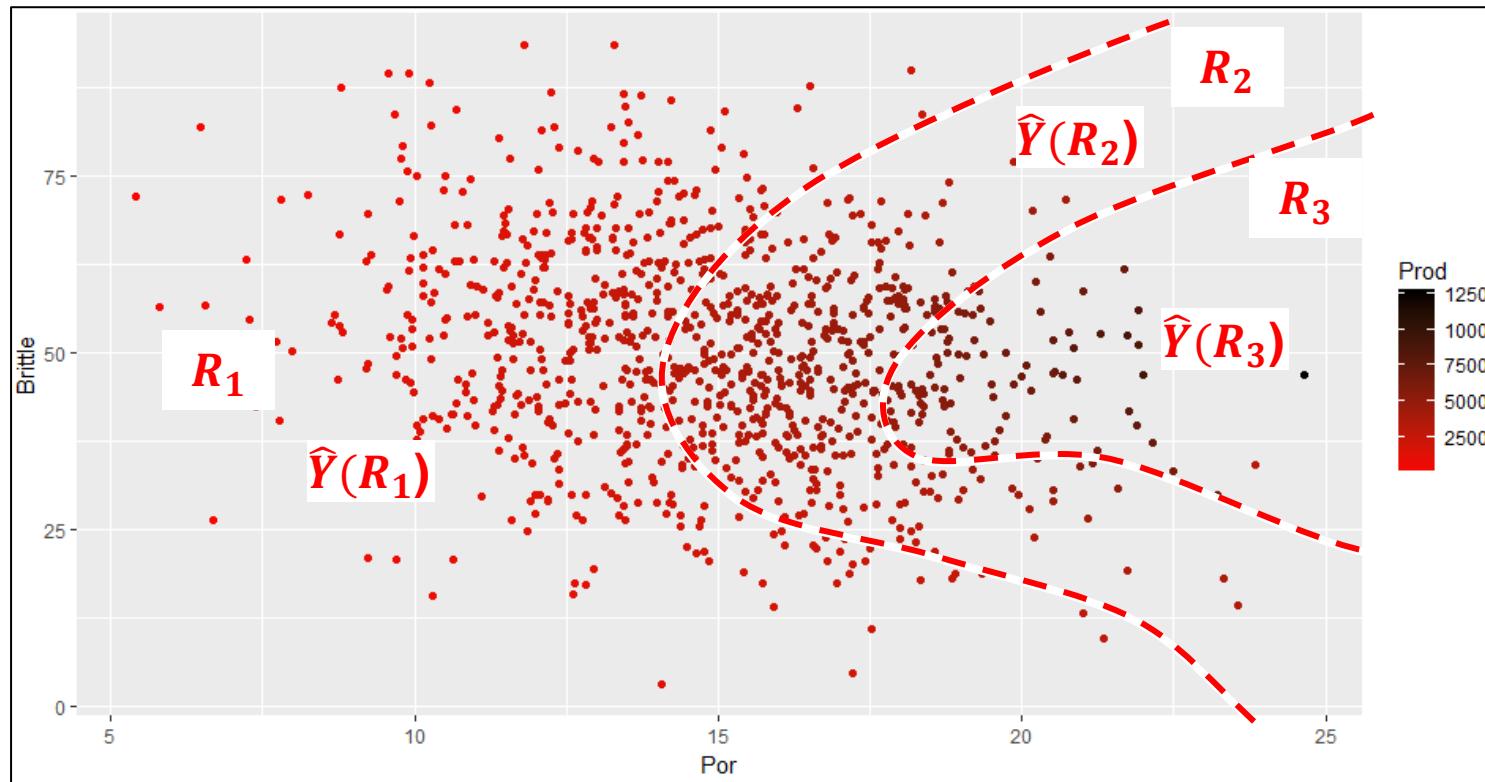
- Our regions could be any shape!
- Consider this 2 predictor feature and 1 response feature problem.

Consider this prediction of unconventional well production (MCFPD) from porosity (%) and brittleness (%)

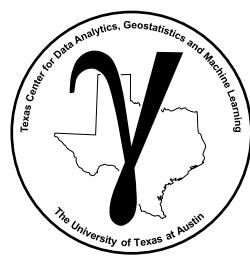
Efficient Regions!

But,

- complicated
- difficult to calculate
- many parameters



Predict production from porosity and brittleness with 3 regions with data and predictions by region,  $R_j, j = 1, \dots, J$ .



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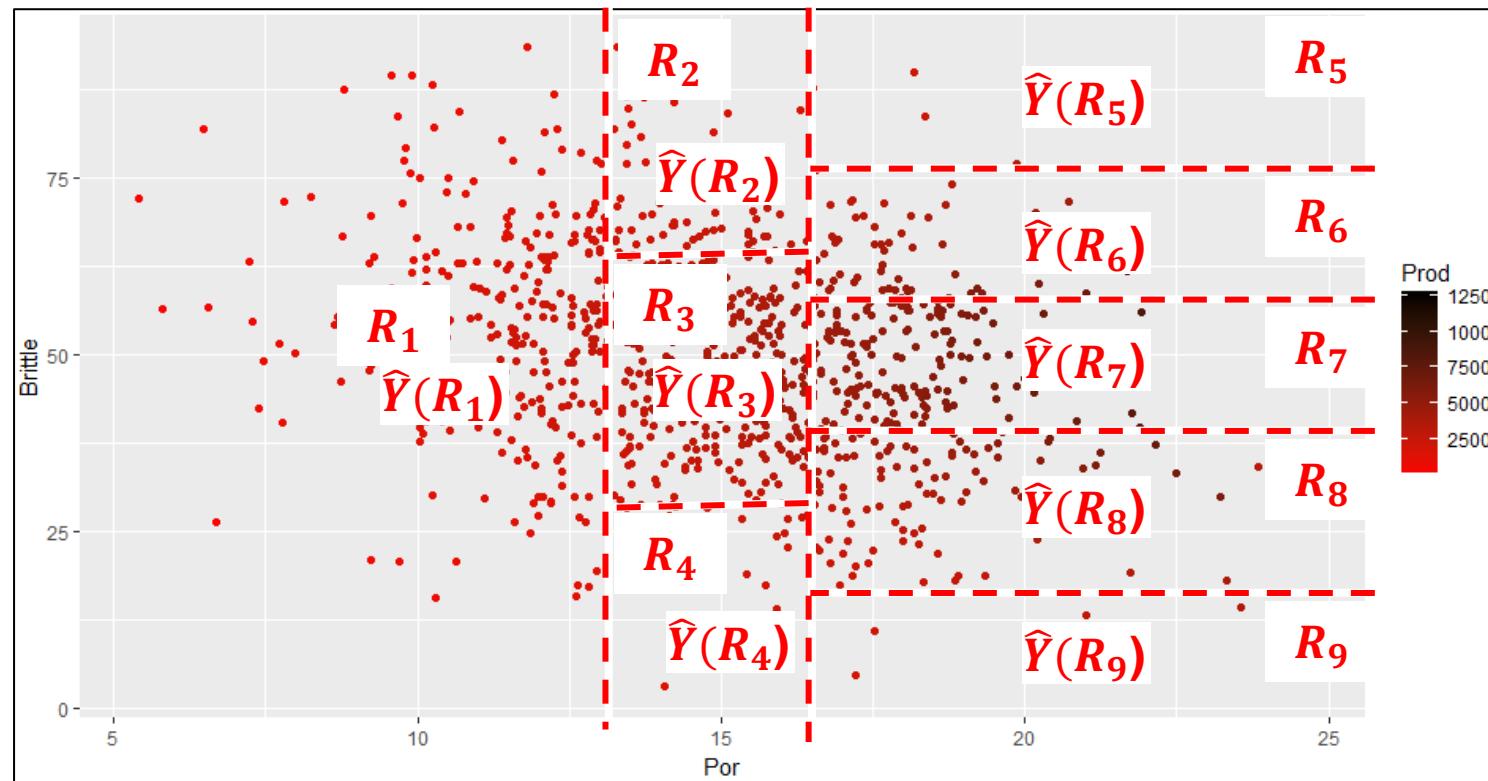
- They could be any shape!
- We decide to use high-dimensional cuboid → simple interpretation / rules

Hierarchical segmentation over the features – somewhat **flexible, compact model!**

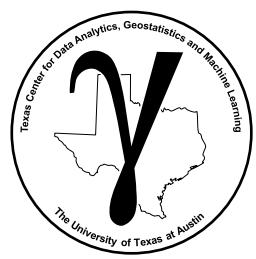
Simple Regions!

And,

- easy to calculate
- few parameters
- represented as a tree model



Predict production from porosity and brittleness with 9 cuboid regions with data and predictions by region,  $R_j, j = 1, \dots, J$ .

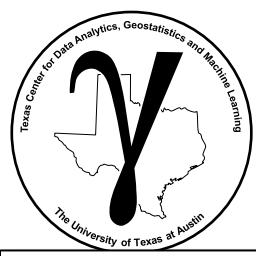


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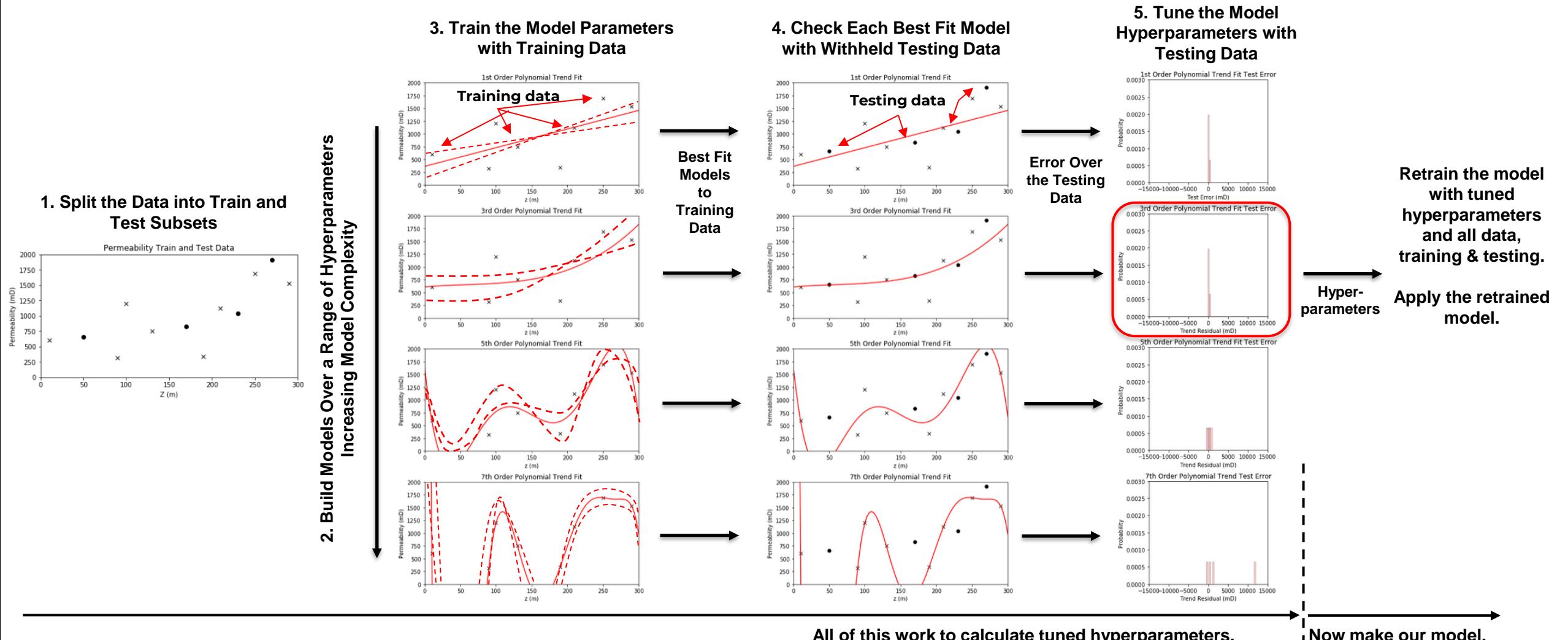
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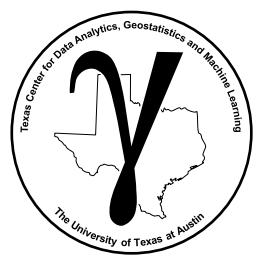
- Predictive Machine Learning Concepts



# Predictive Model Workflow



Machine learning model building workflow to avoid overfit.



# Model Parameters

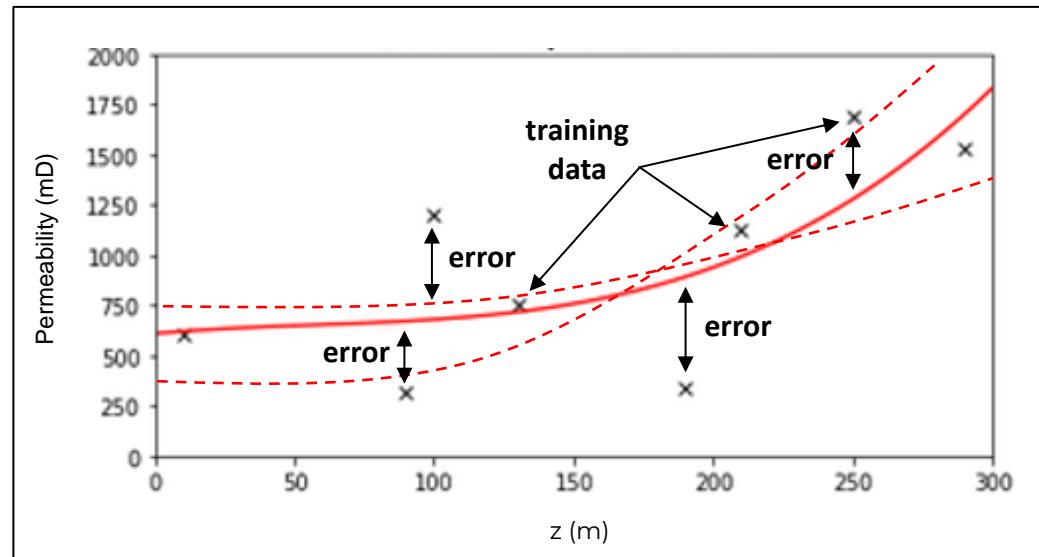
## Model Parameters

- Fit during training phase to minimize error at the training data
- For this 3<sup>rd</sup> order polynomial:

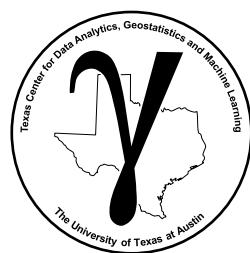
$$y = \mathbf{b}_3 x^3 + \mathbf{b}_2 x^2 + \mathbf{b}_1 x + \mathbf{b}_0$$

**Parameters:**

**$b_3, b_2, b_1$  and  $b_0$**



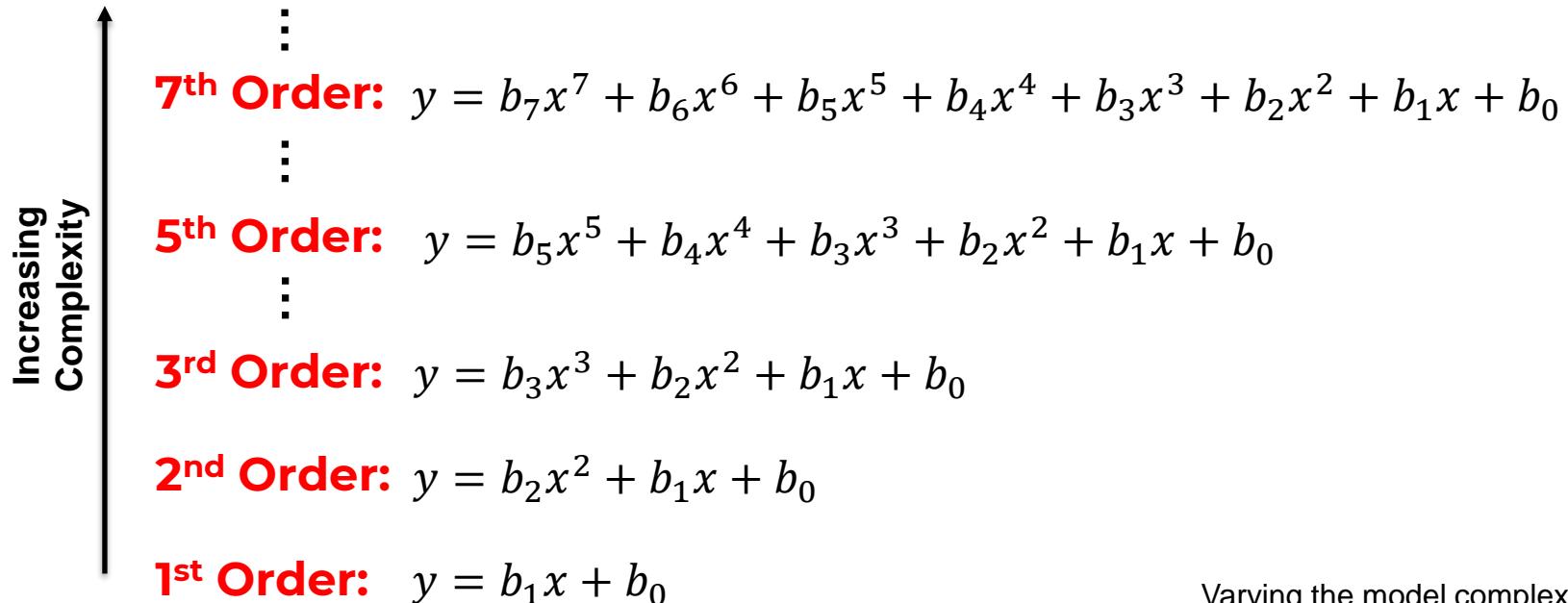
Setting model parameters to minimize the error relative to training data.



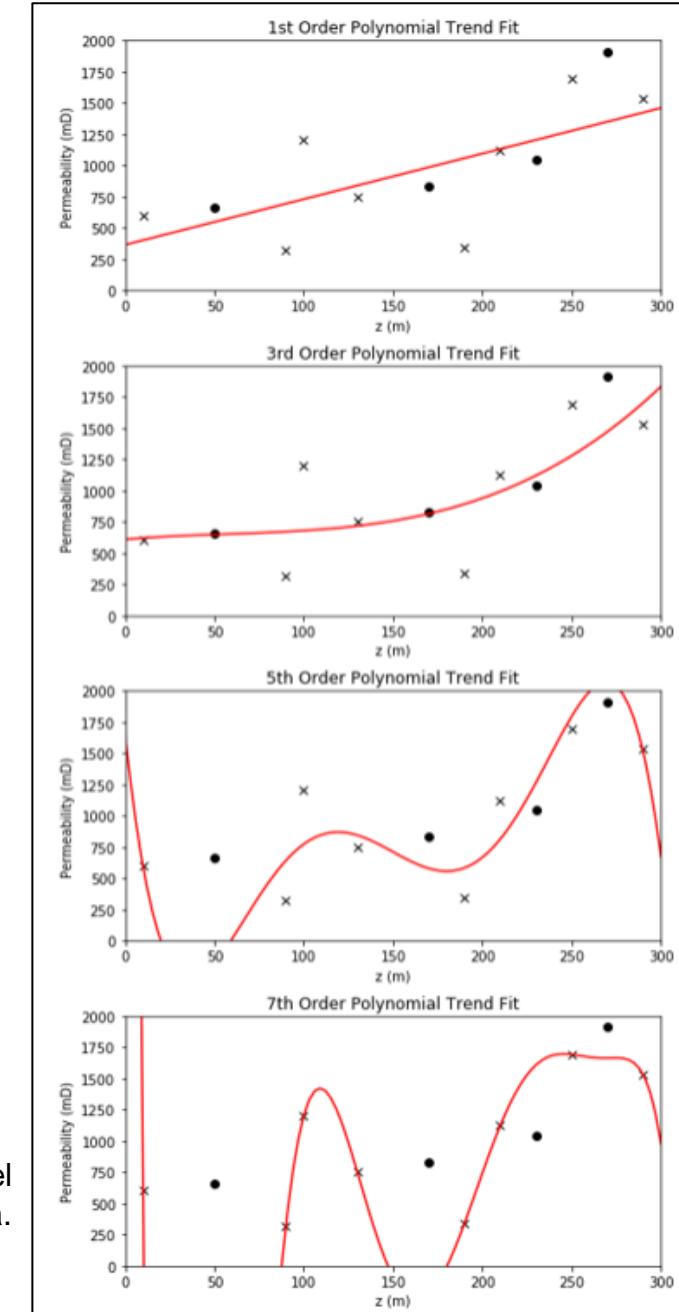
# Model HyperParameters

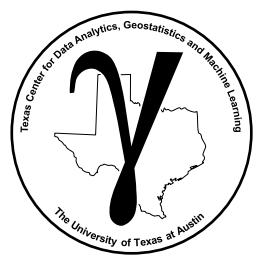
## Model Hyperparameters

- Constrain the model complexity.
- Select hyperparameters that maximize accuracy with the testing data.
- For a polynomial model:



Varying the model complexity, model hyperparameter, to maximize fit with testing data.



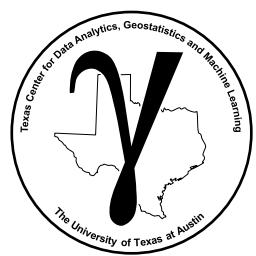


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- **Decision Tree Training**

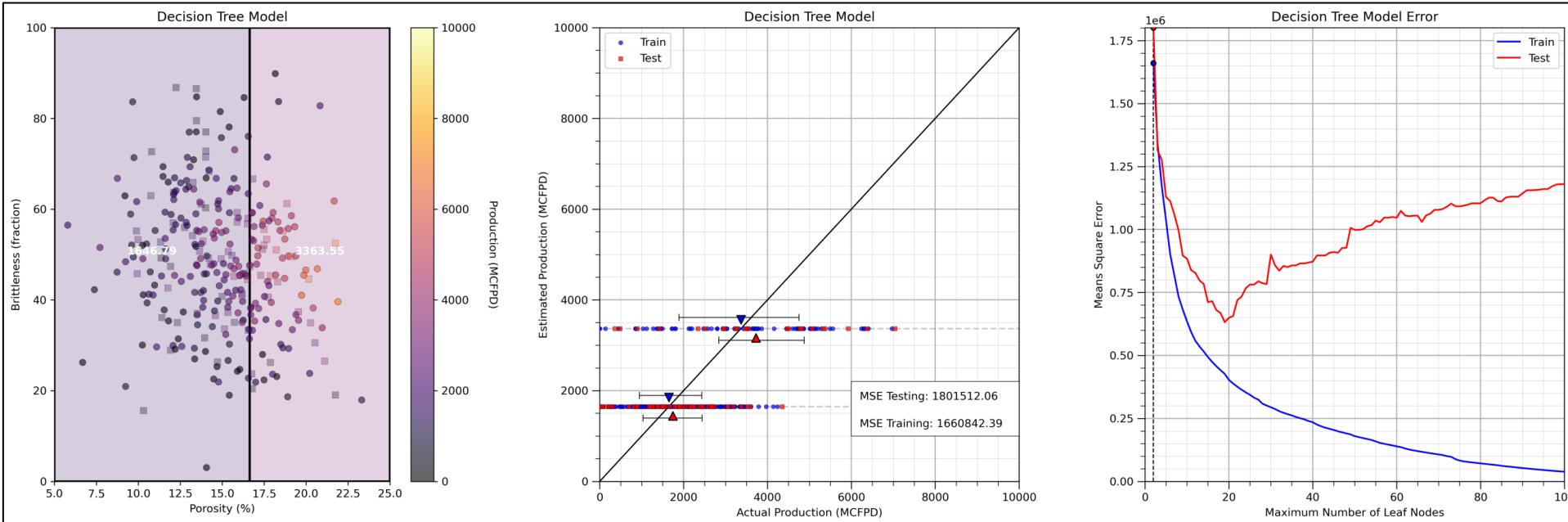


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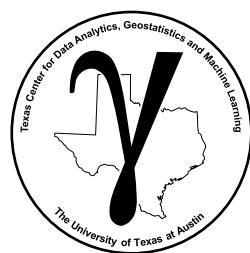
How do we construct regions,  $R_1, R_2, \dots, R_J$ , for our predictions?

Recursive, binary splitting

- **Greedy** - at each step, the method selects the choice that minimizes RSS. There is no attempt to look ahead, jointly optimize over multiple choices
- **Top-down** - at the beginning all data belong to a single region, top of the tree, greedy selection of the single best split over any feature that best reduces the RSS



First best split, file is `Interactive_Decision_Tree.ipynb`, also see Decision Tree chapter of Applied Machine Learning e-book.



# Decision Tree Loss

## The decision tree loss function

Regression Residual Sum of Squares:

$$RSS = \sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i \in R_j} (y_i - \hat{y}_{R_j})^2$$

where  $\hat{y}_{R_j}$  is the estimate and  $y_i$  is the training data value.

$$\hat{y} = \frac{1}{|R_j|} \sum_{X_i \in R_j} y_i$$

$|R_j|$  is the number of training data in  $j$  region and  $y_i$  is a training data, determined by predictor feature values  $X_i$  in  $R_j$ .

Classification Weighted Average Gini Impurity:

$$Gini_{total} = \sum_{j=1}^J \frac{N_j}{N} Gini(j)$$

where  $N_j$  number of training data in region  $j$  and  $N$  is the number of training data.

$$Gini(j) = 1 - \sum_{c=1}^C p_{j,c}^2$$

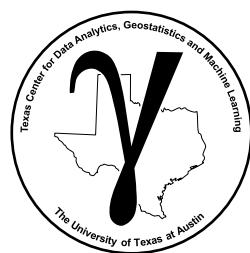
where  $C$  number of categories, and  $p_{j,c}$  is the proportion of training data in region  $j$  of category  $c$ .

Example

	c=1	c=2	c=3
$N_j$	4	3	3
$p_i$	0.4	0.3	0.3
$p_i^2$	0.16	0.09	0.09

$$\begin{aligned} Gini(j) &= 1 - 0.34 \\ &= 0.66 \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum p_i^2 = 0.34$$



# Decision Tree Training and Tuning

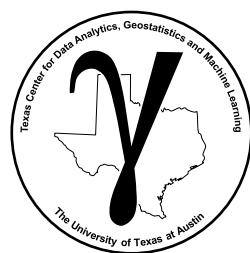
**Here's a Demonstration of Training and Tuning a Decision Tree**

First, we perform the first several hierarchical segmentations

- the predictor feature space image is real and the decision tree is hand drawn and estimated for an illustration

Then we walk through the hierarchical segmentations and track the training and testing error

- we will see the tuned model complexity, the number of regions / leaf nodes that minimize testing error



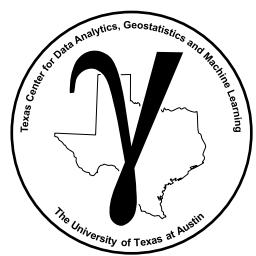
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The steps for training a decision tree,

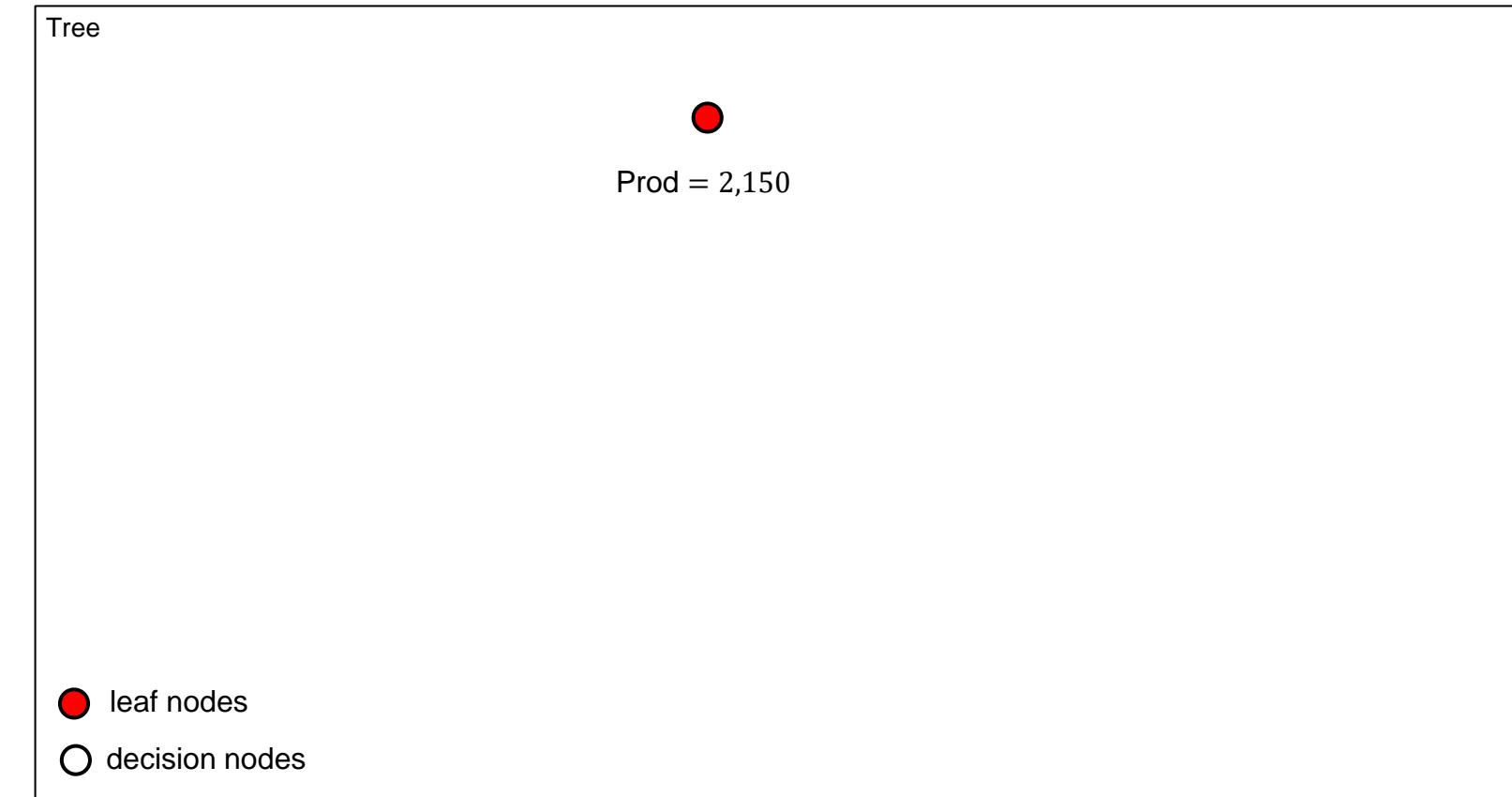
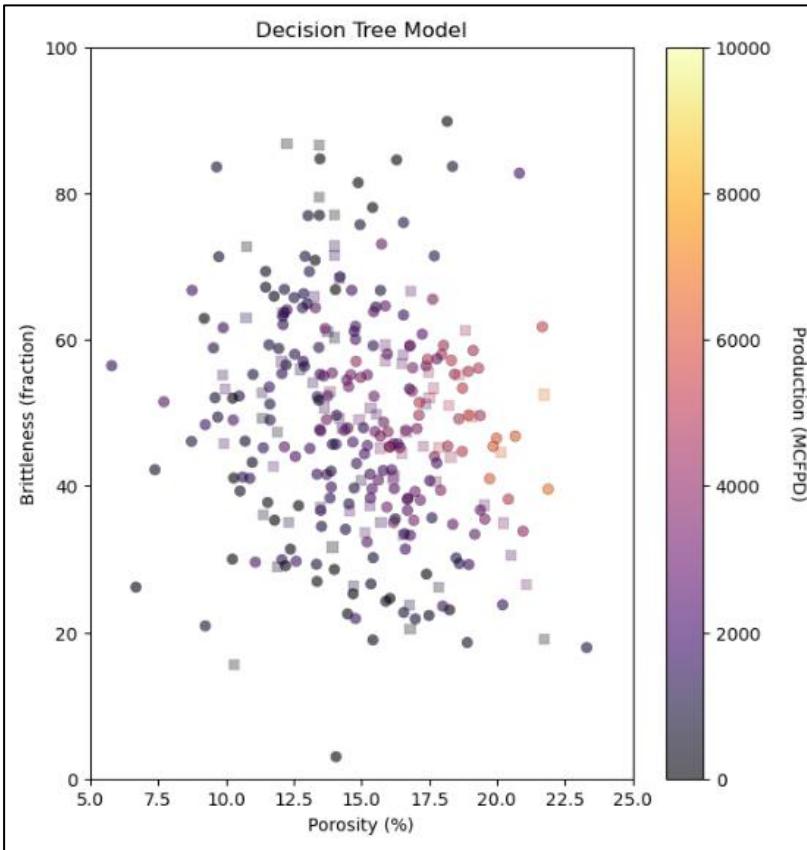
0. **Assign All Data to a Single Region** - that covers the entire predictor feature space
1. **Scan All Possible Splits** - over all regions and over all features
2. **Select the Best Split** - this is greedy optimization
3. **Iterate Until Very Overfit** - return to step one for the next split until the tree is very overfit.

Note, this is a solution heuristic – a practical approximation, since there is no attempt to jointly optimize over all splits

- for example, to select a suboptimal split to maximize training error reduction with a subsequent split

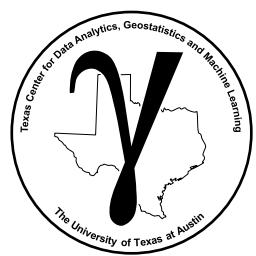


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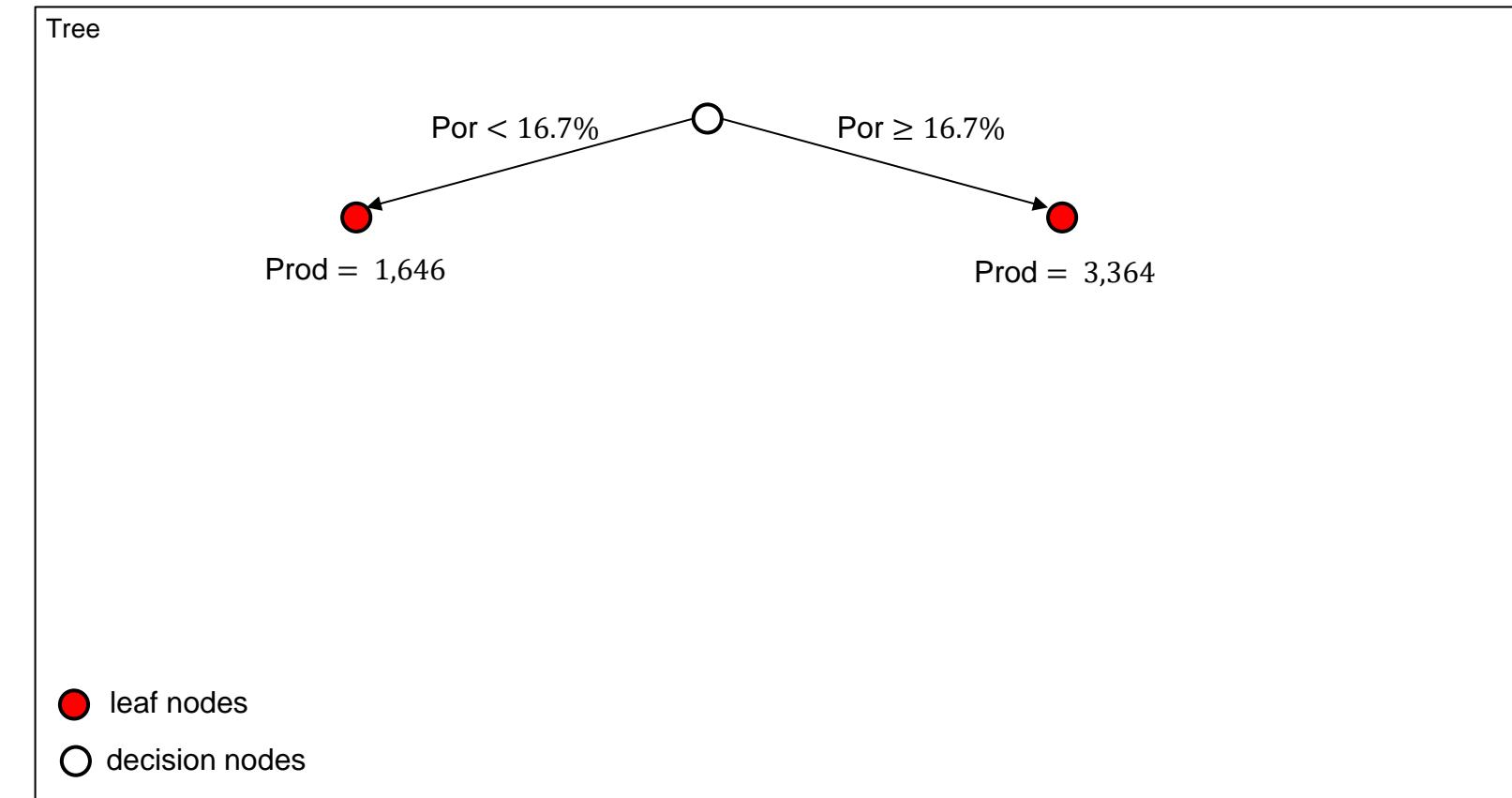
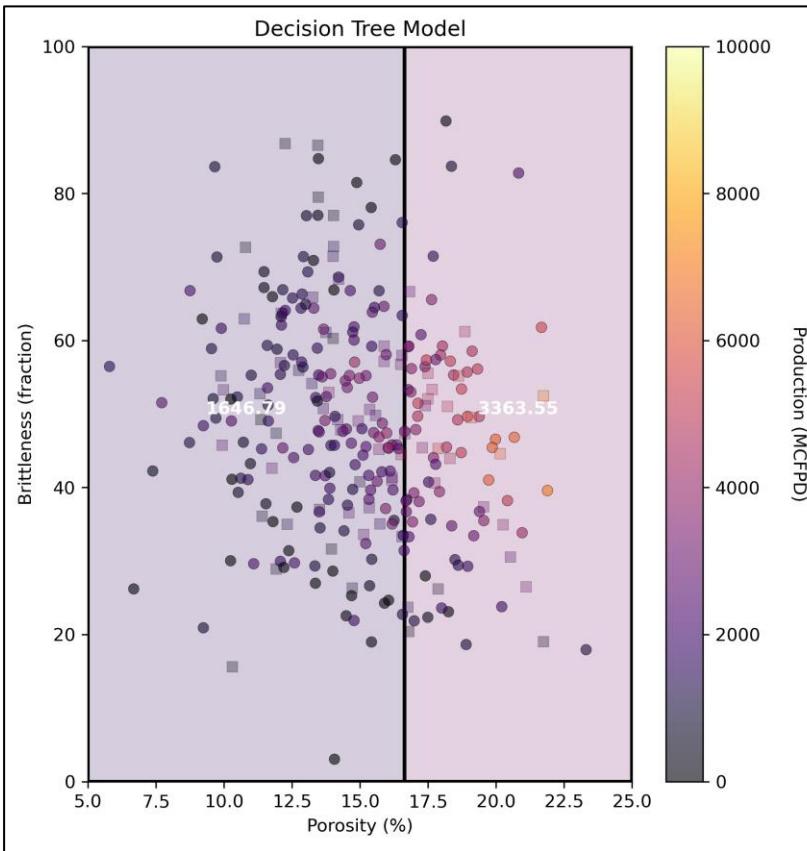


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Hyperparameter = 1 region (leaf nodes) – predict with the global mean.

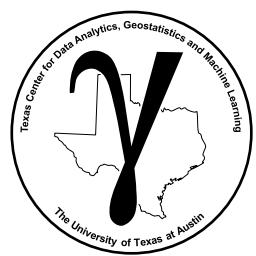


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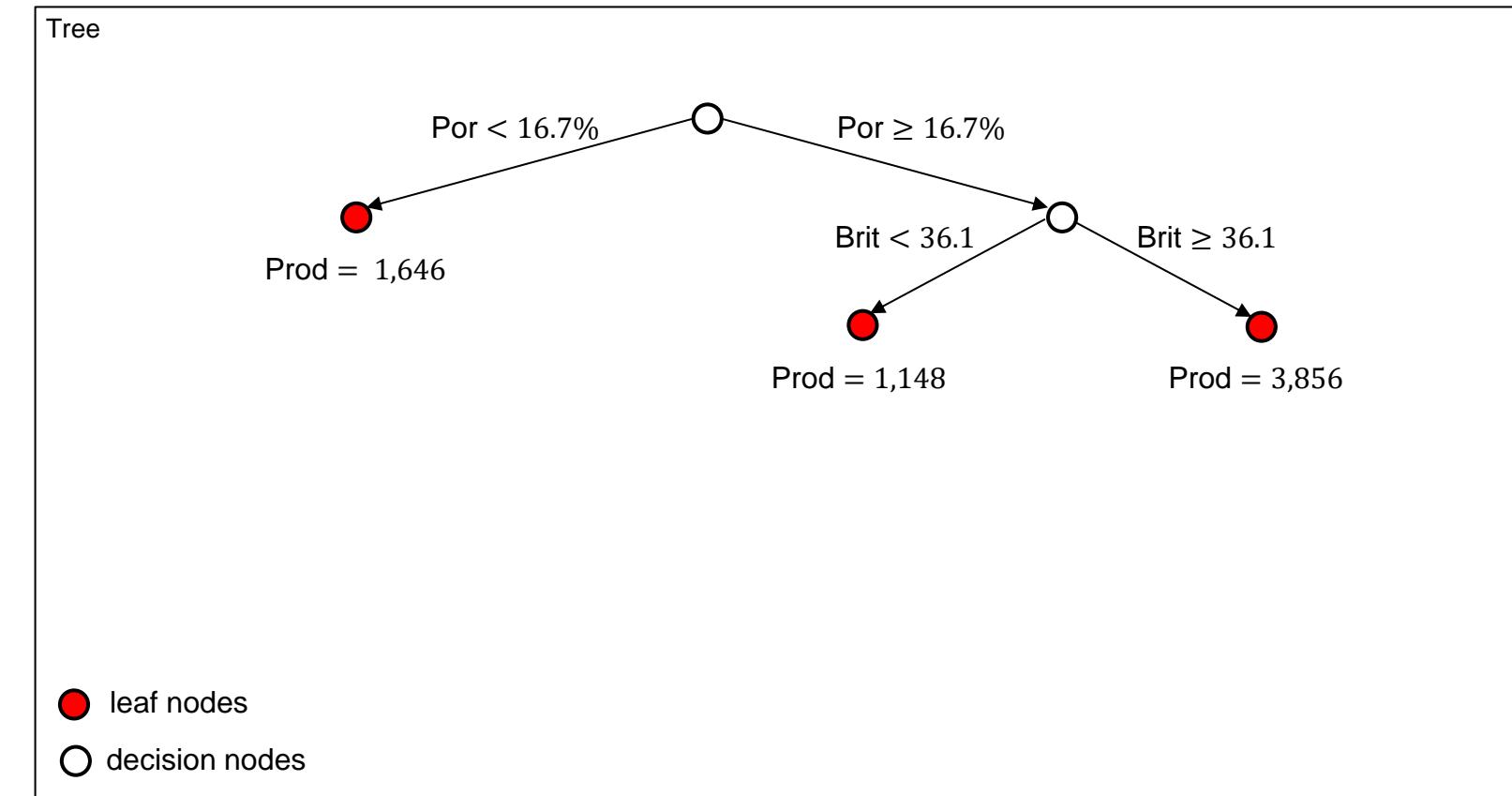
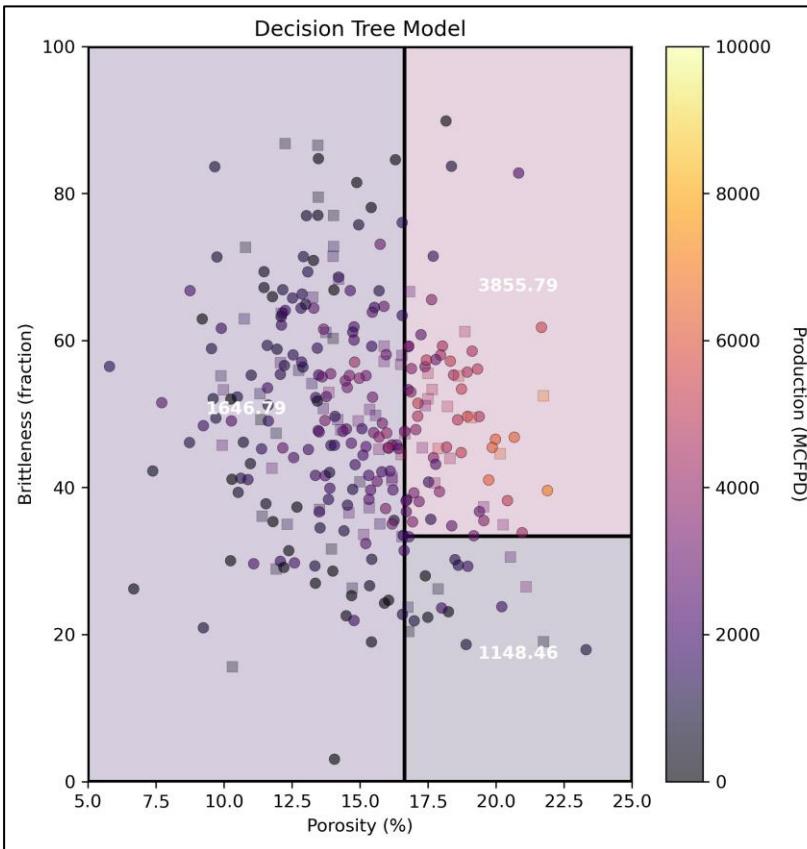


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Hyperparameter = 2 regions (leaf nodes) – very, very underfit model

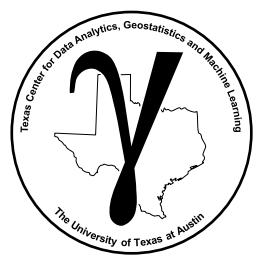


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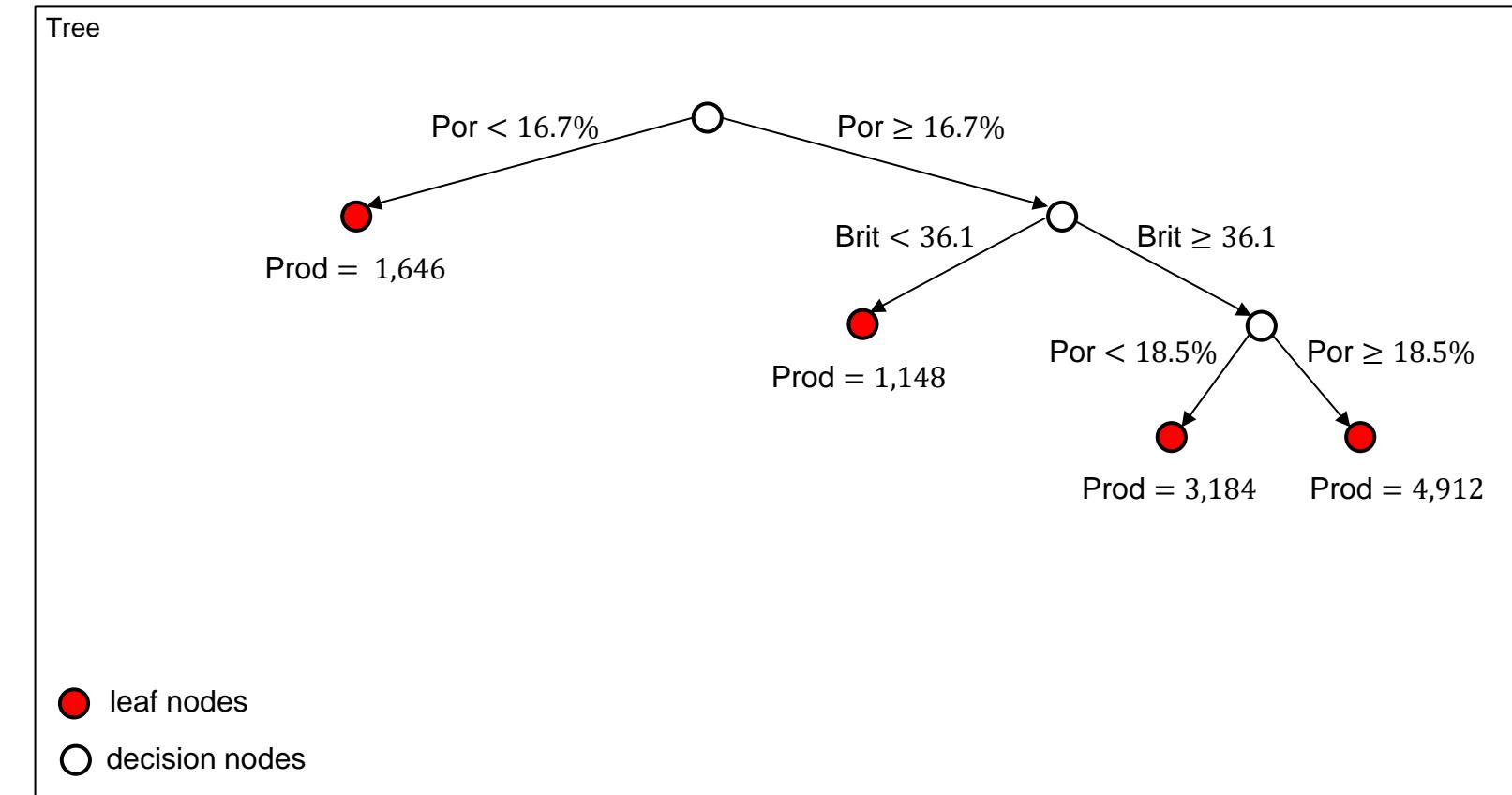
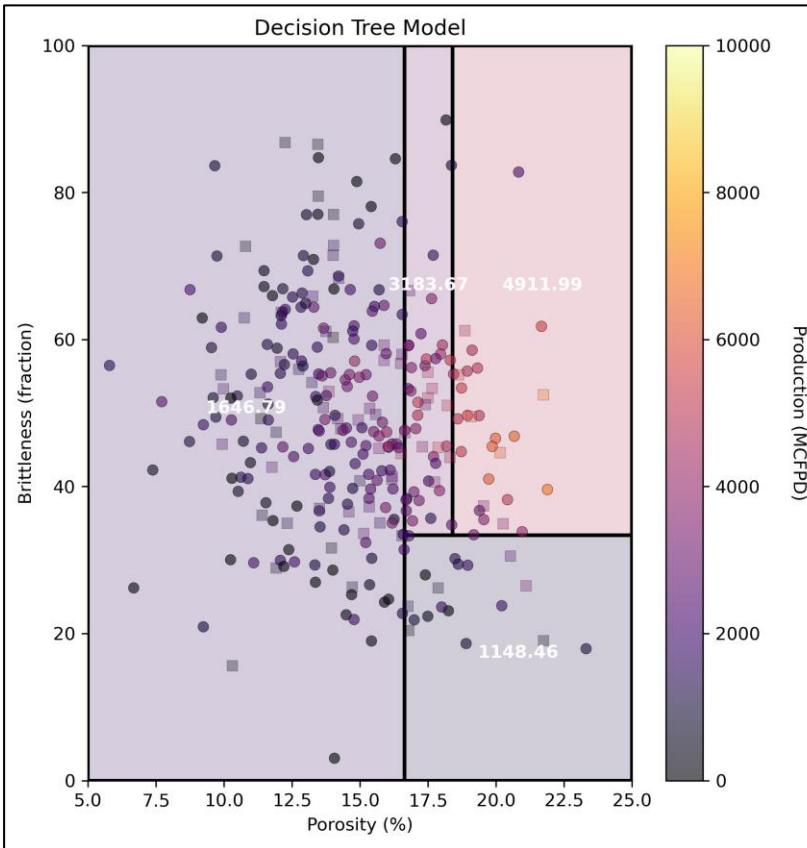


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Hyperparameter = 3 regions (leaf nodes) – very, very underfit model

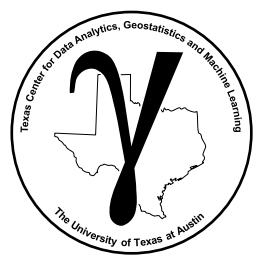


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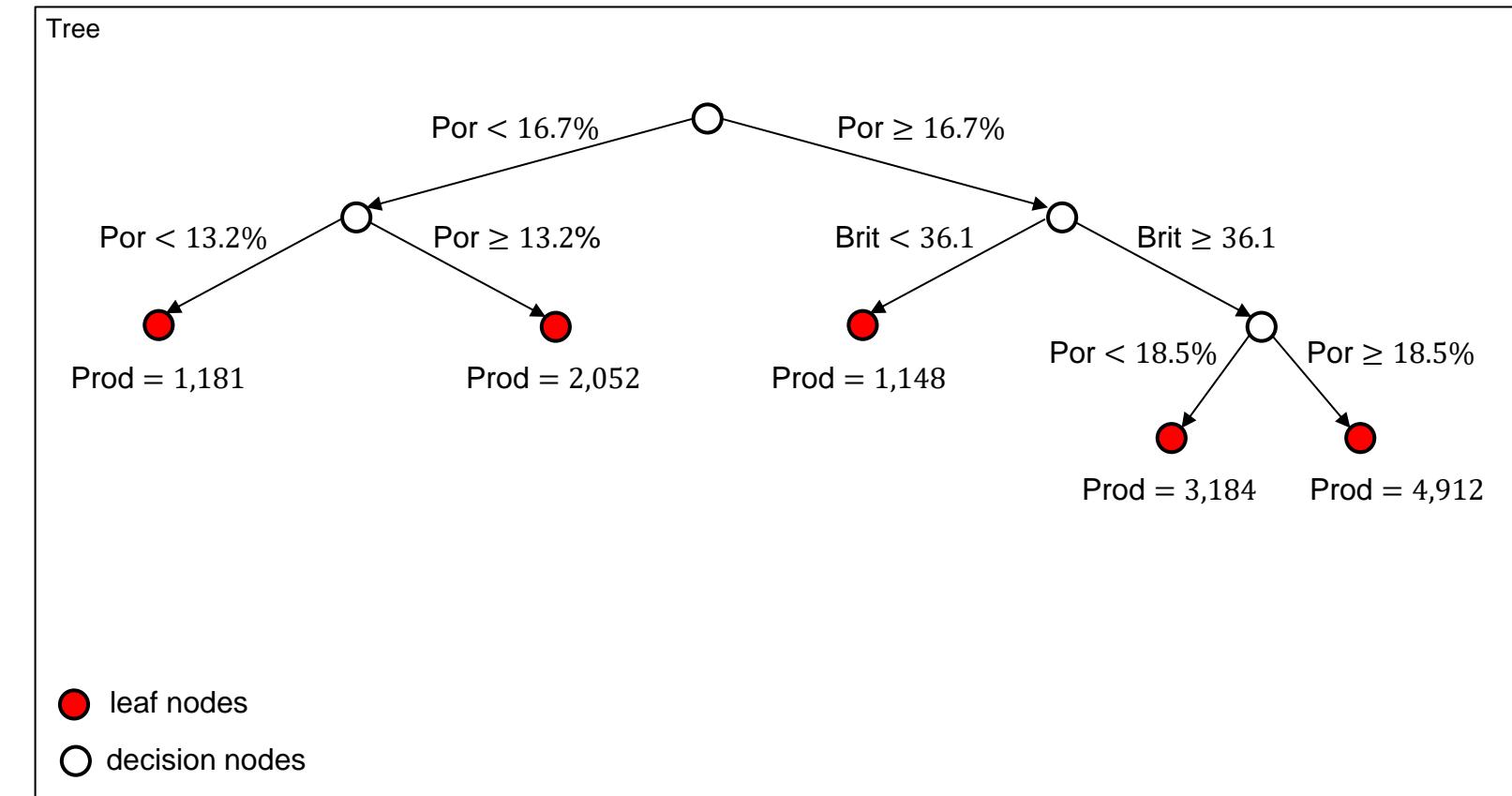
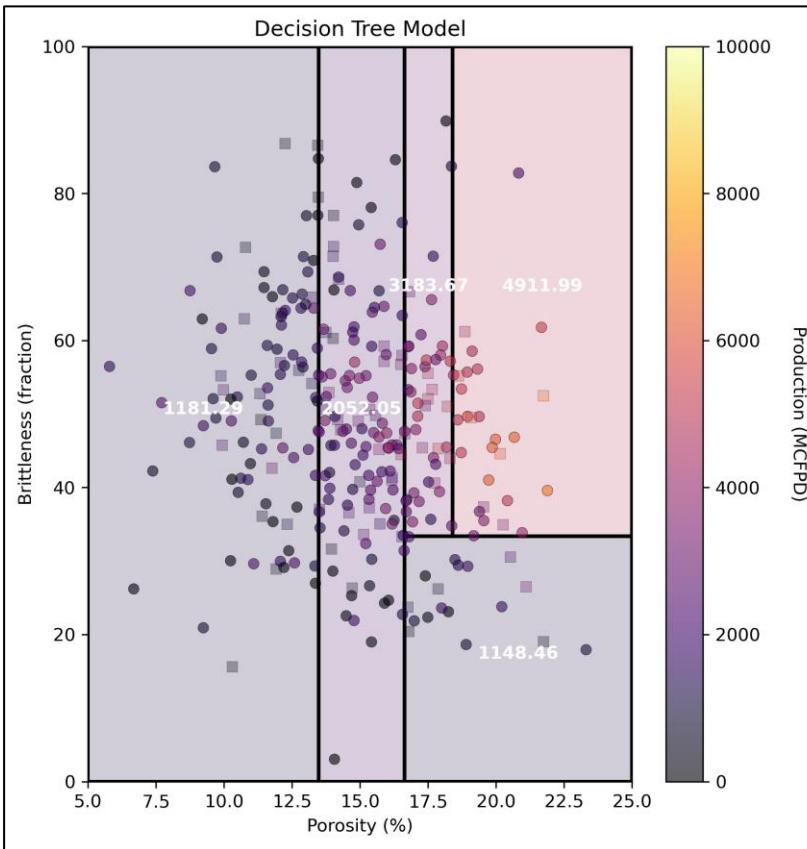


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Hyperparameter = 4 regions (leaf nodes) – very underfit model

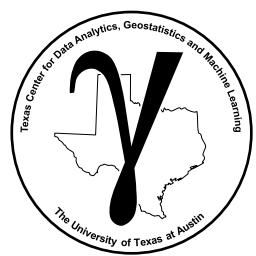


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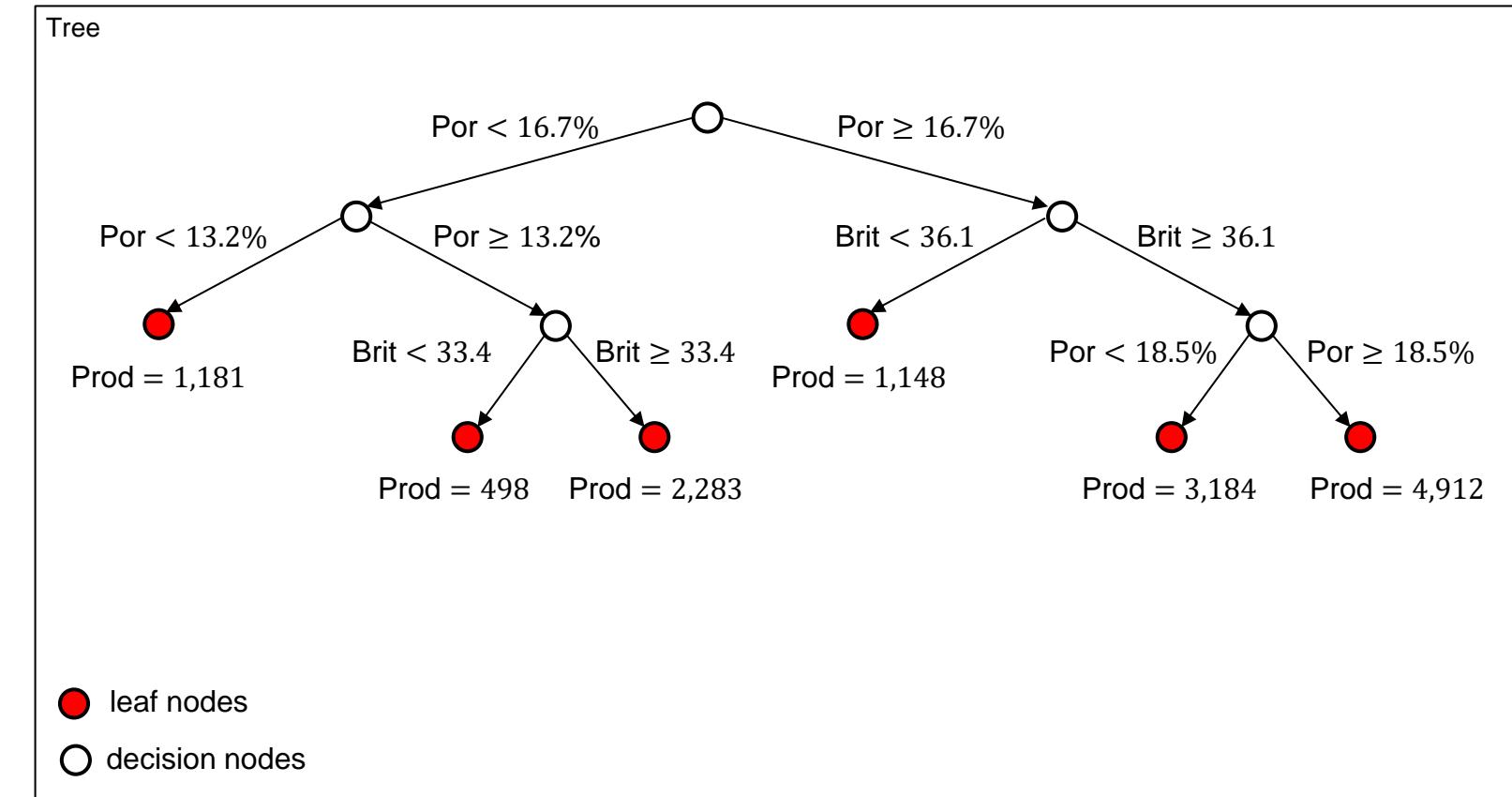
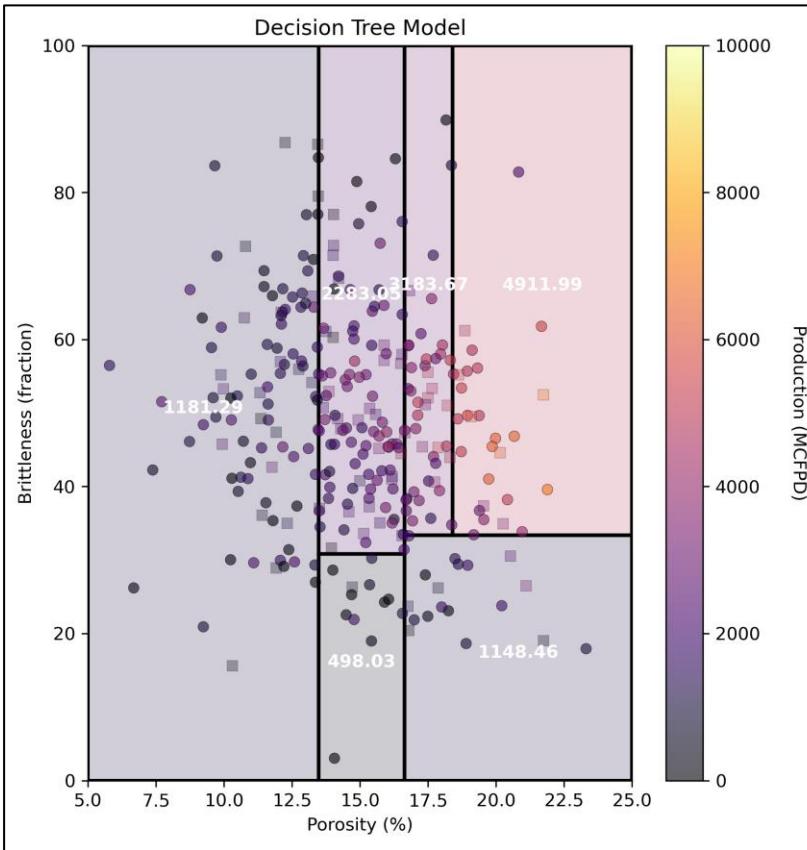


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Hyperparameter = 5 regions (leaf nodes) – very underfit model

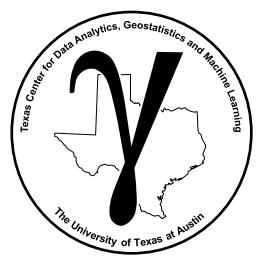


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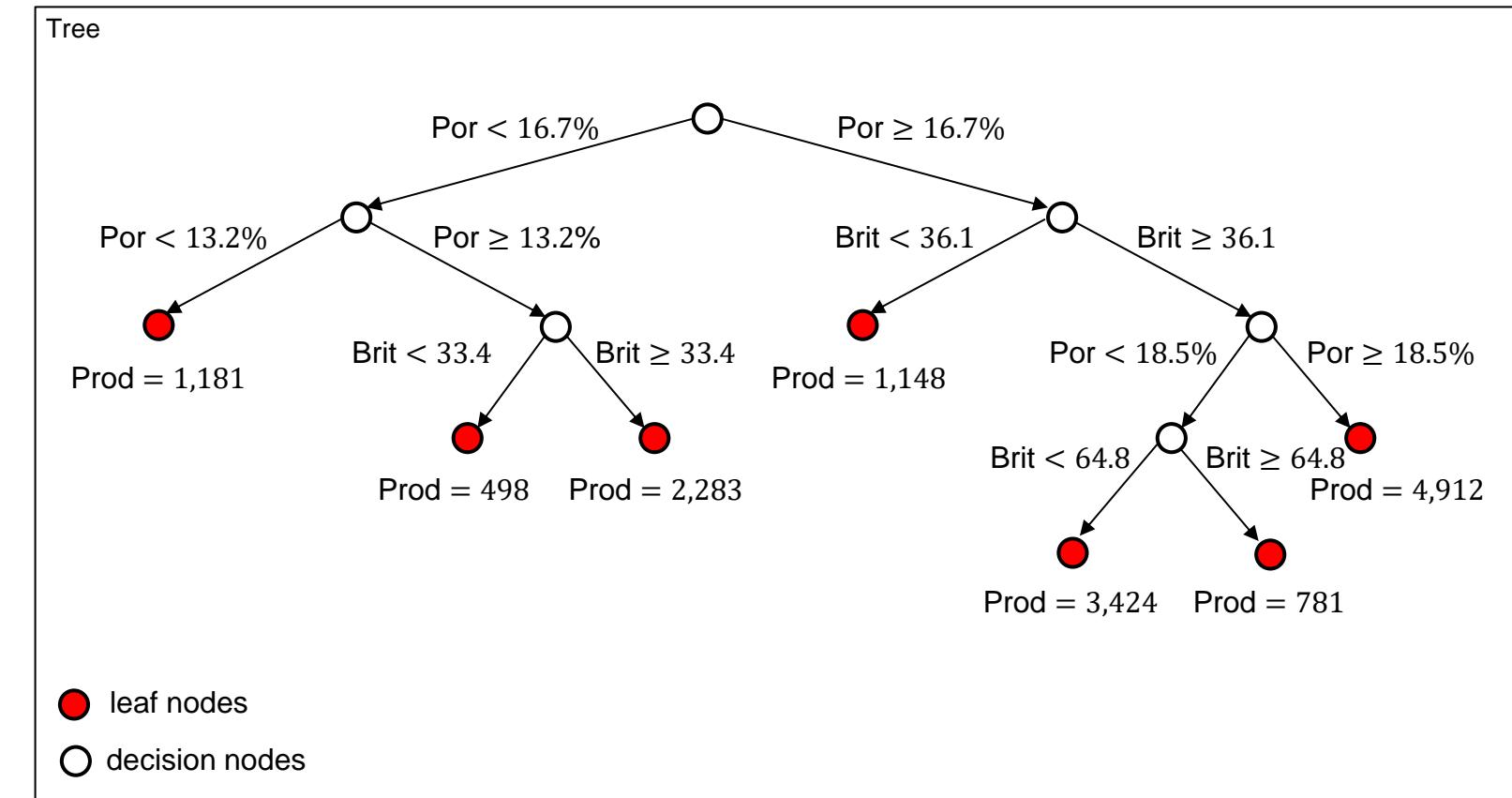
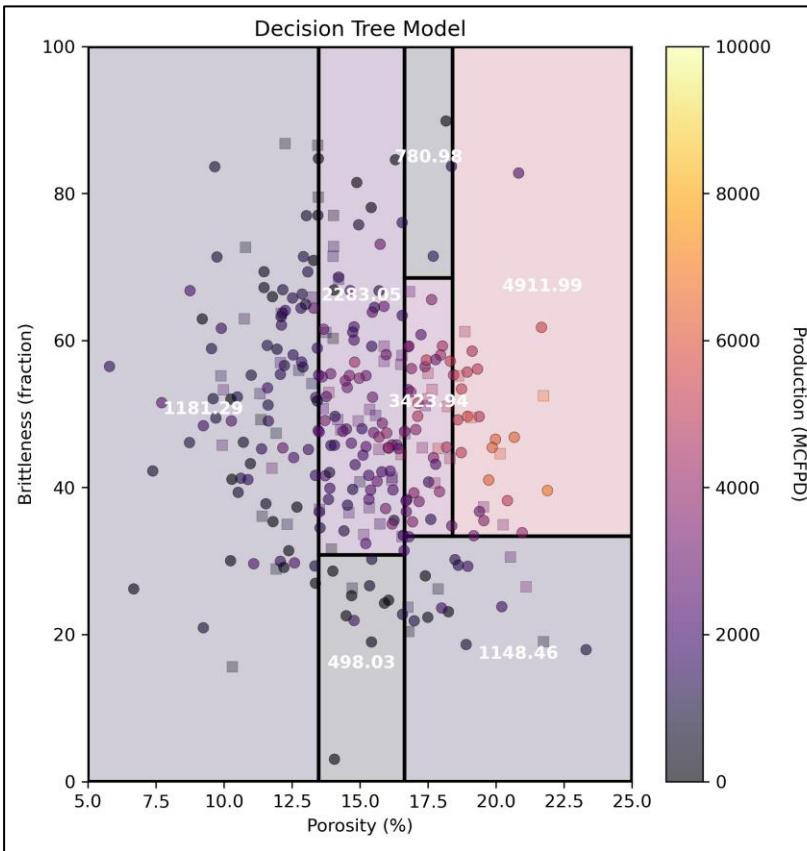


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Hyperparameter = 6 regions (leaf nodes) – underfit model

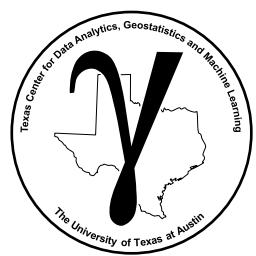


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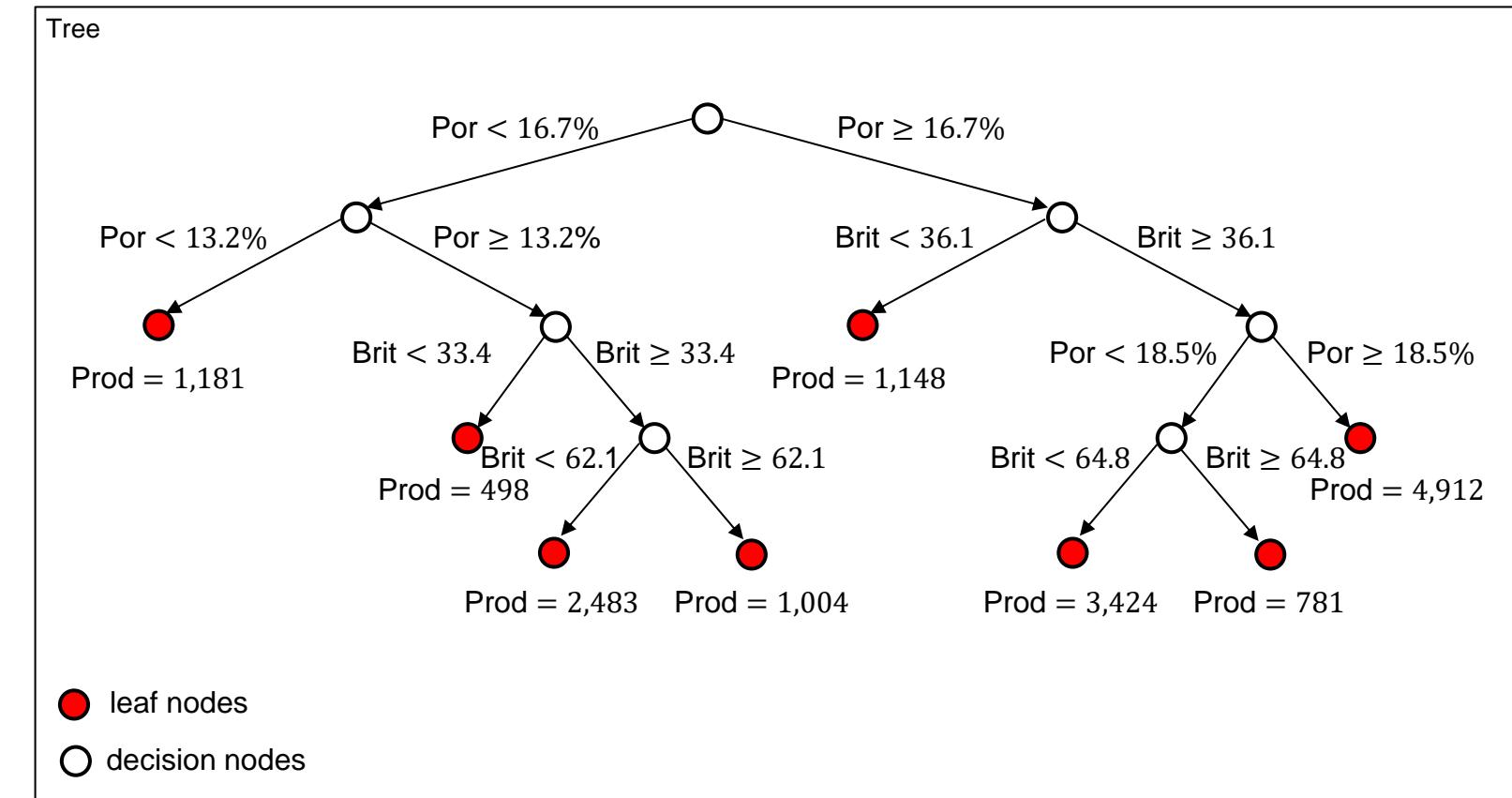
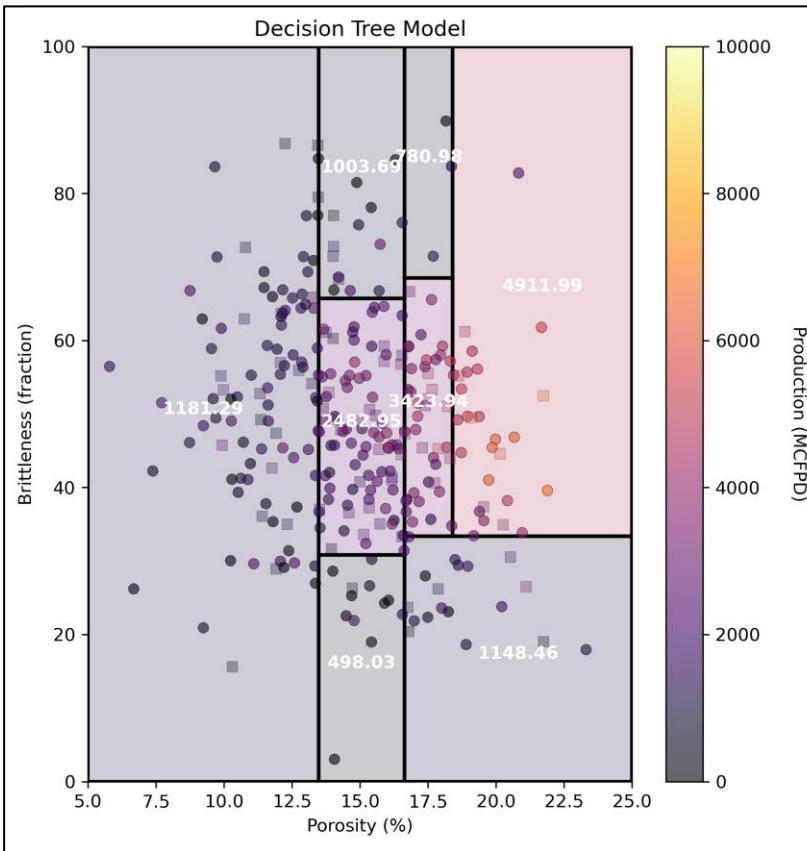


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Hyperparameter = 7 regions (leaf nodes) – underfit model

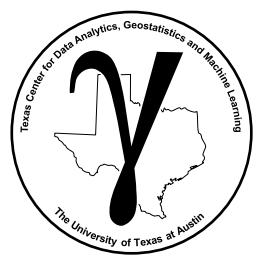


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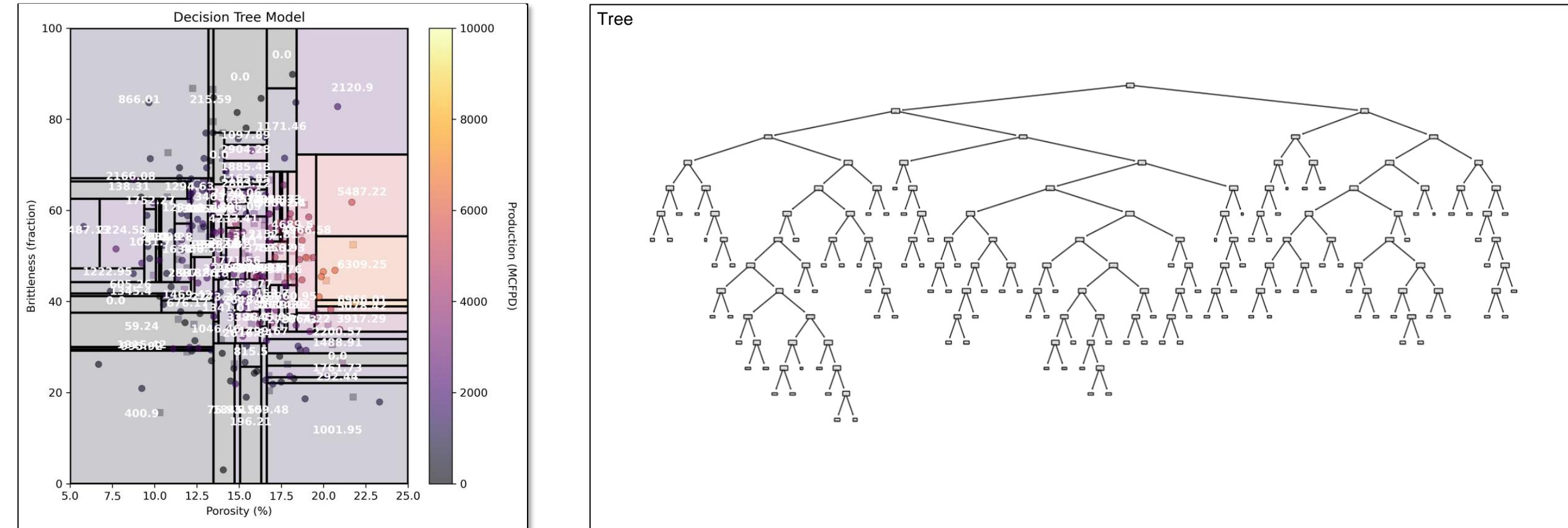


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Hyperparameter = 8 regions (leaf nodes) – underfit model

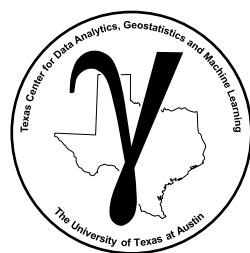


# Decision Tree Training



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Hyperparameter = 100 regions (leaf nodes) – very, very overfit model, complicated enough to stop.



# Determining the Next Best Split

## Determining the Next Best Split

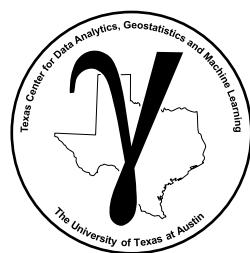
- This requires search over all possible features within all regions
- This is not computationally impractical (not too big a space to search), because we actually only attempt the midpoints between the sorted training data.
- For a new candidate split,  $s$ , we have 2 potential new regions from the original 1 region

$$R_{1(m,s)} = \{X | X_m < s\} \text{ and } R_{2(m,s)} = \{X | X_m \geq s\}$$

- $X_m$  are the features and  $s$  is the threshold for the segmentation into  $R_1$  and  $R_2$
- We segment such that we minimize the Residual Sum of Squares:

$$RSS = \sum_{i:x_i \in R_1(m,s)} (y_i - \hat{y}_{R_1})^2 + \sum_{i:x_i \in R_2(m,s)} (y_i - \hat{y}_{R_2})^2$$

We add in the RSS components from all the other regions to get the total model RSS.



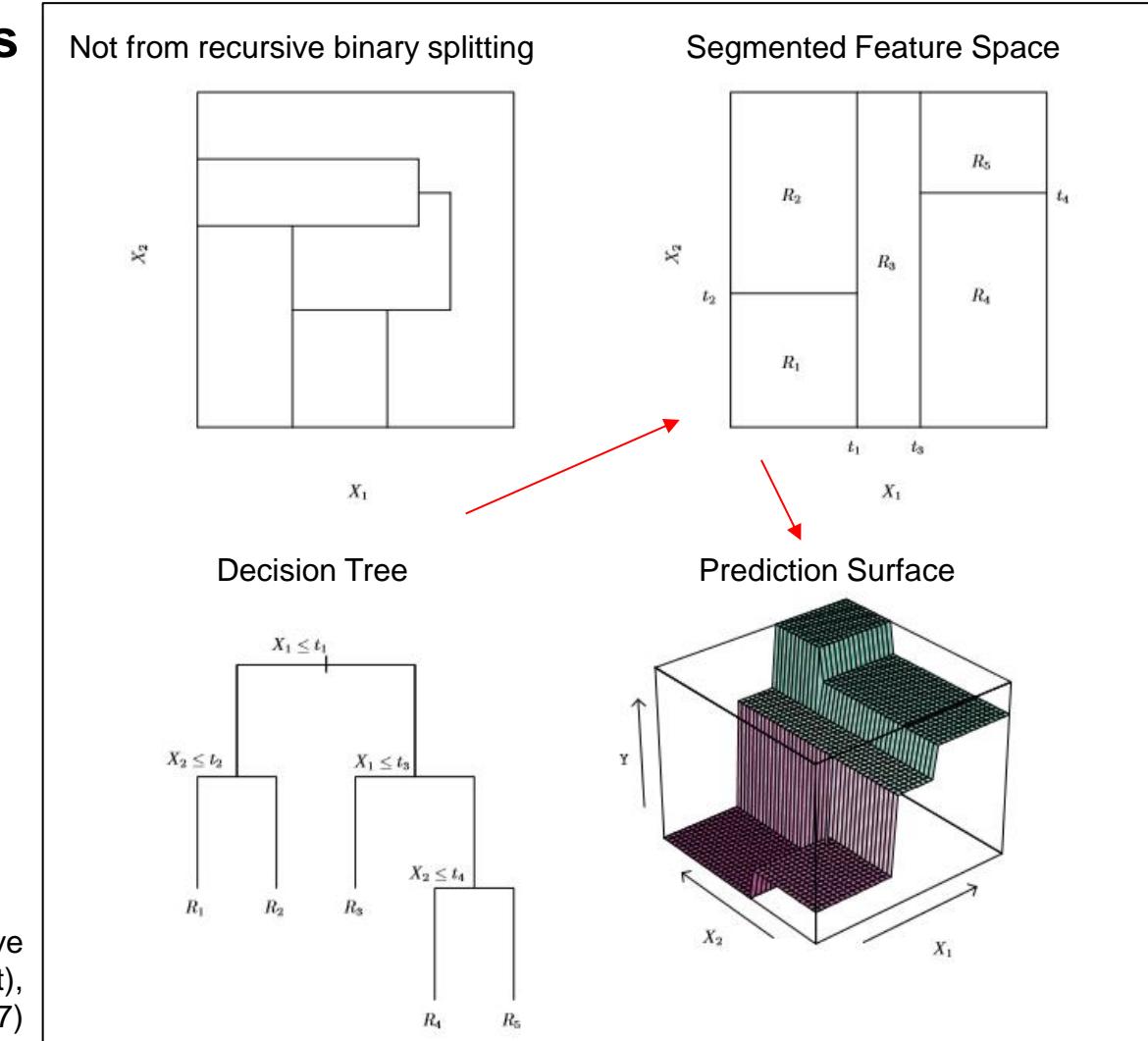
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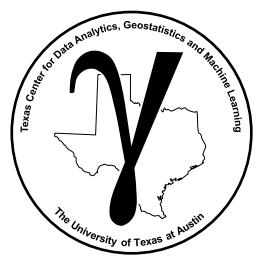
## The Shape of our Decision Tree Prediction Models

Example from James et al. (2017)

- Top-left 2D feature space partitioning that could not result from recursive binary splitting
- Top-right feature space partitioning, decision tree and estimation surface for feature space.

Visualization of model from recursive binary splitting and one not (upper left),  
image from James et al. (2017)



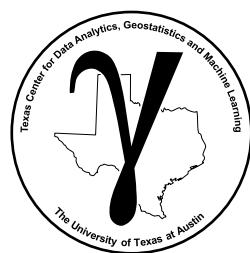


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## Lecture 14: Decision Tree

### Lecture outline:

- Decision Tree Tuning



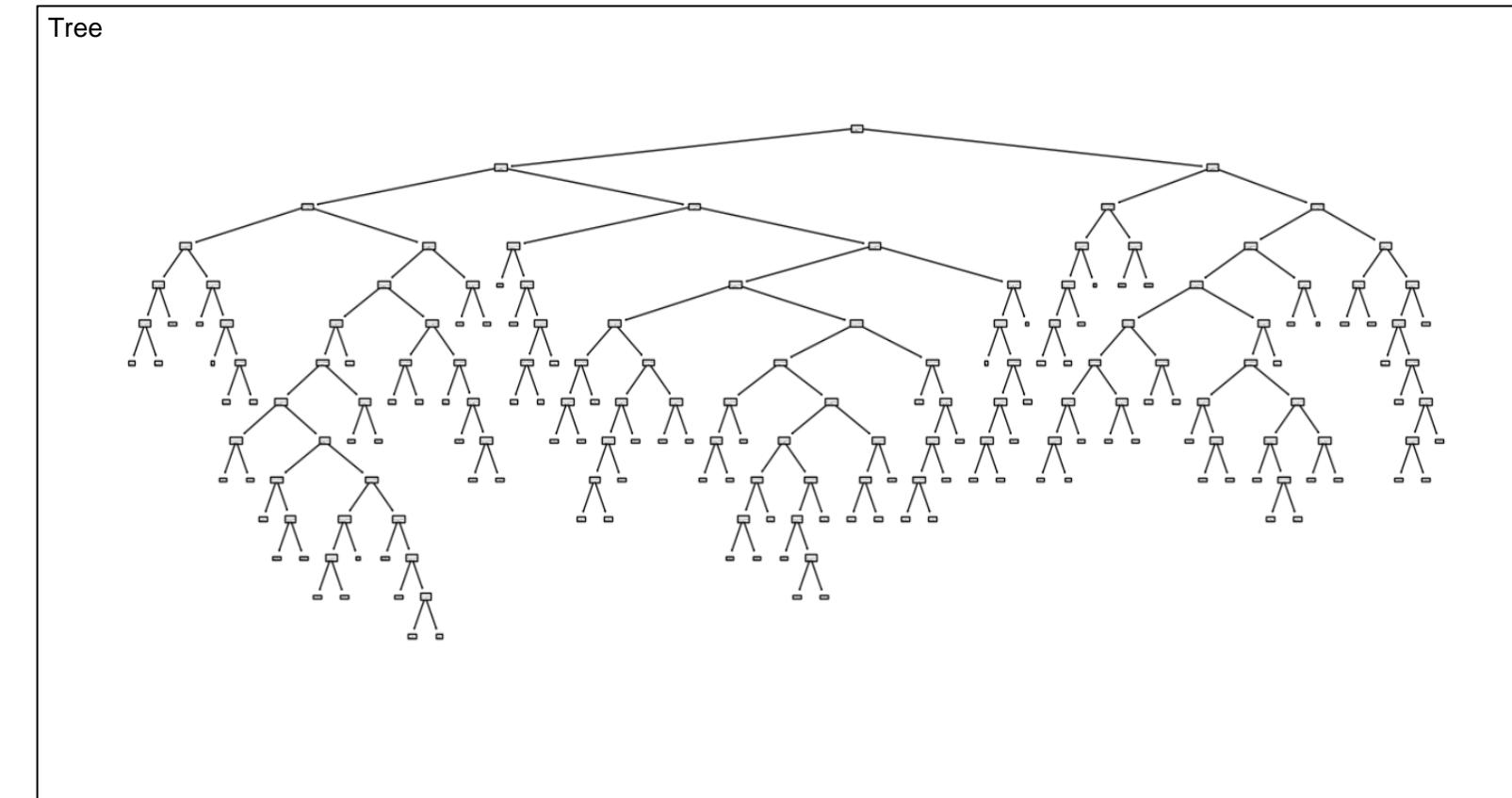
# Decision Tree Tuning

To tune the decision tree we take the very overfit model,

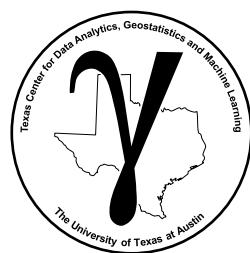
- sequentially cut the last decision node
- i.e., prune the last branch of the tree

The simpler trees are inside the complicated tree!

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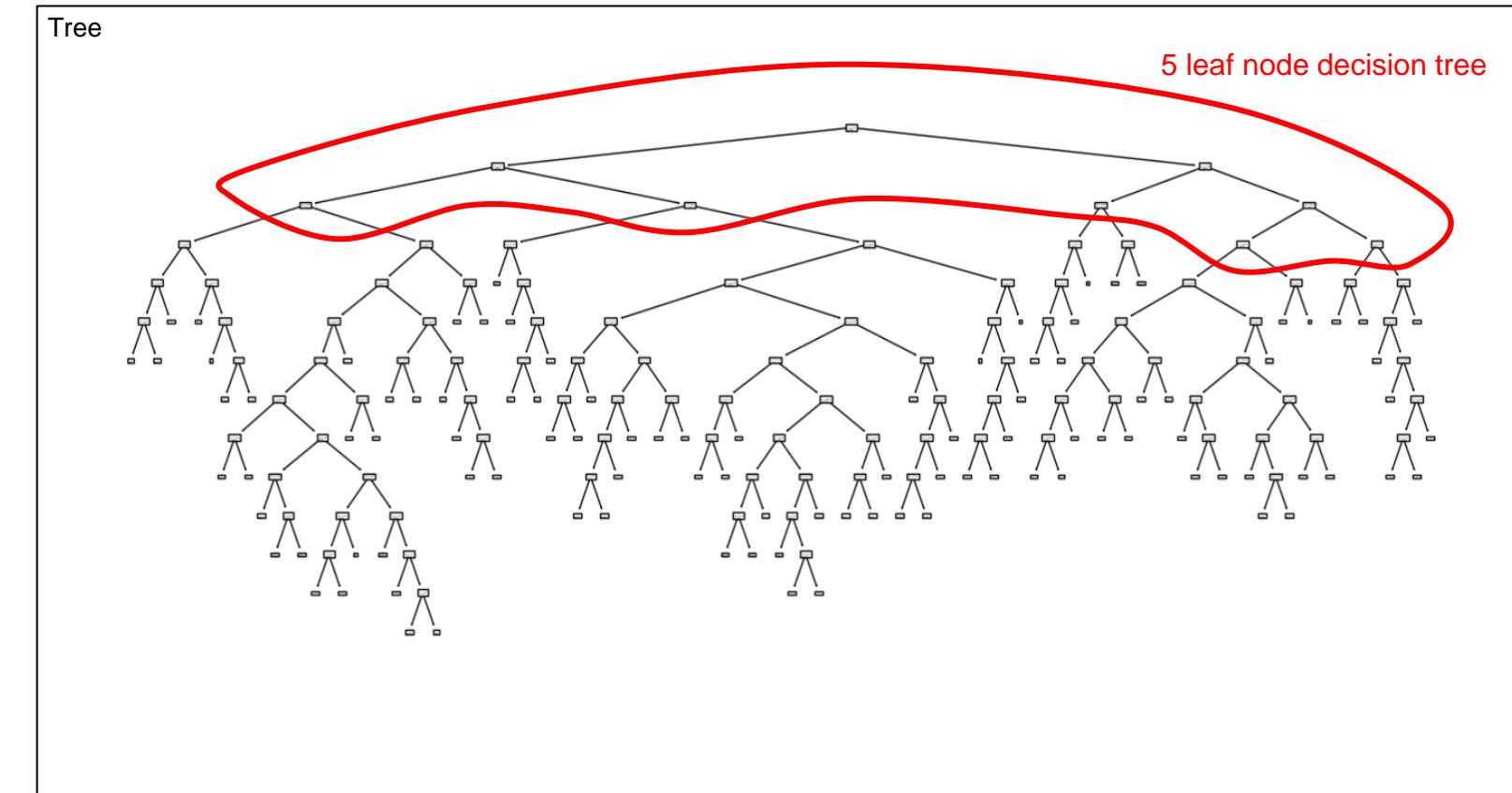
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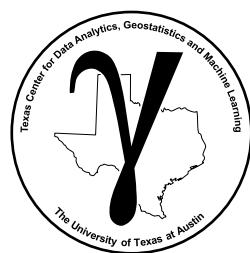
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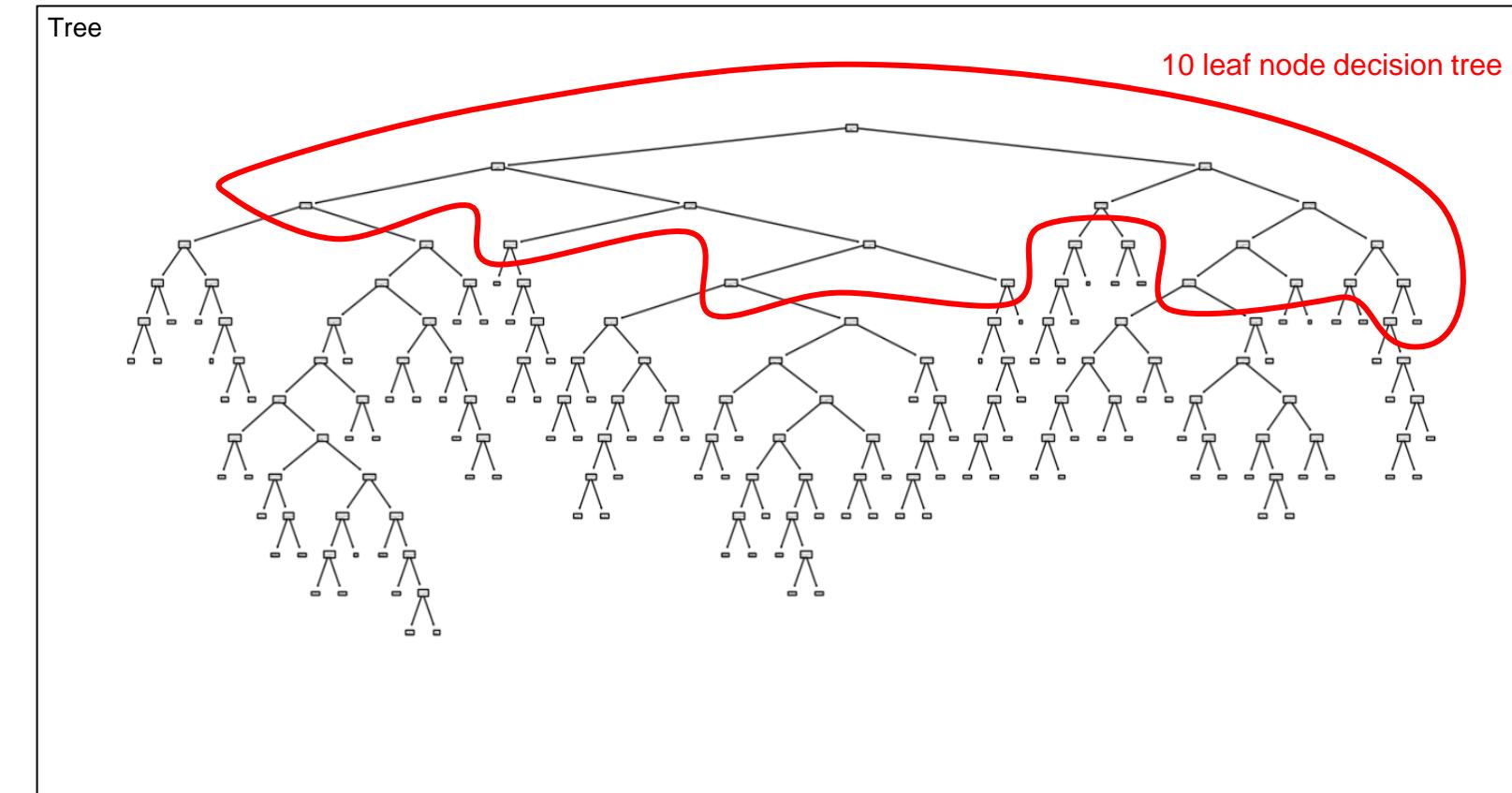
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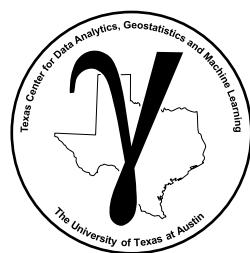
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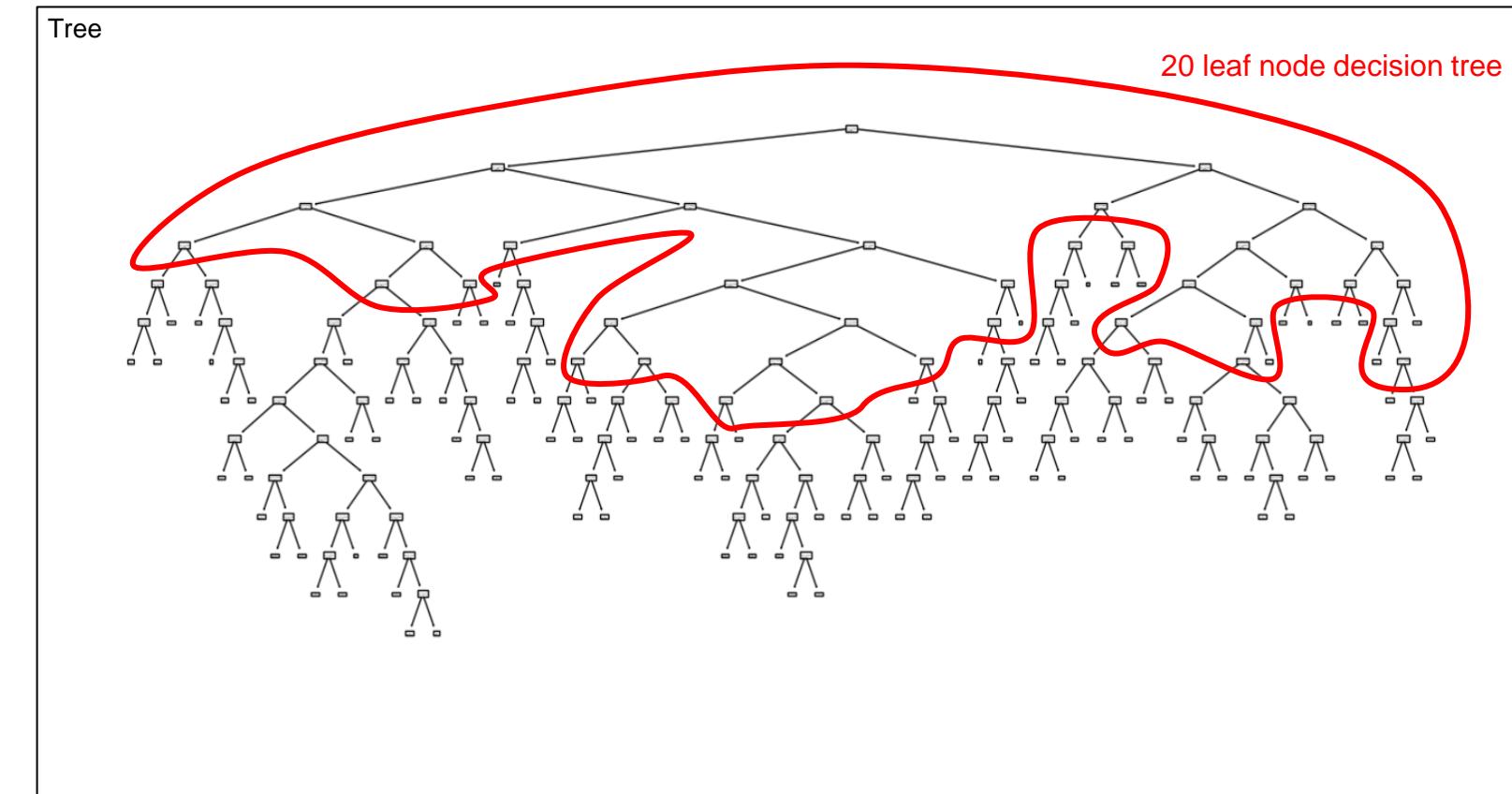
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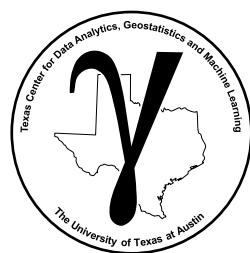
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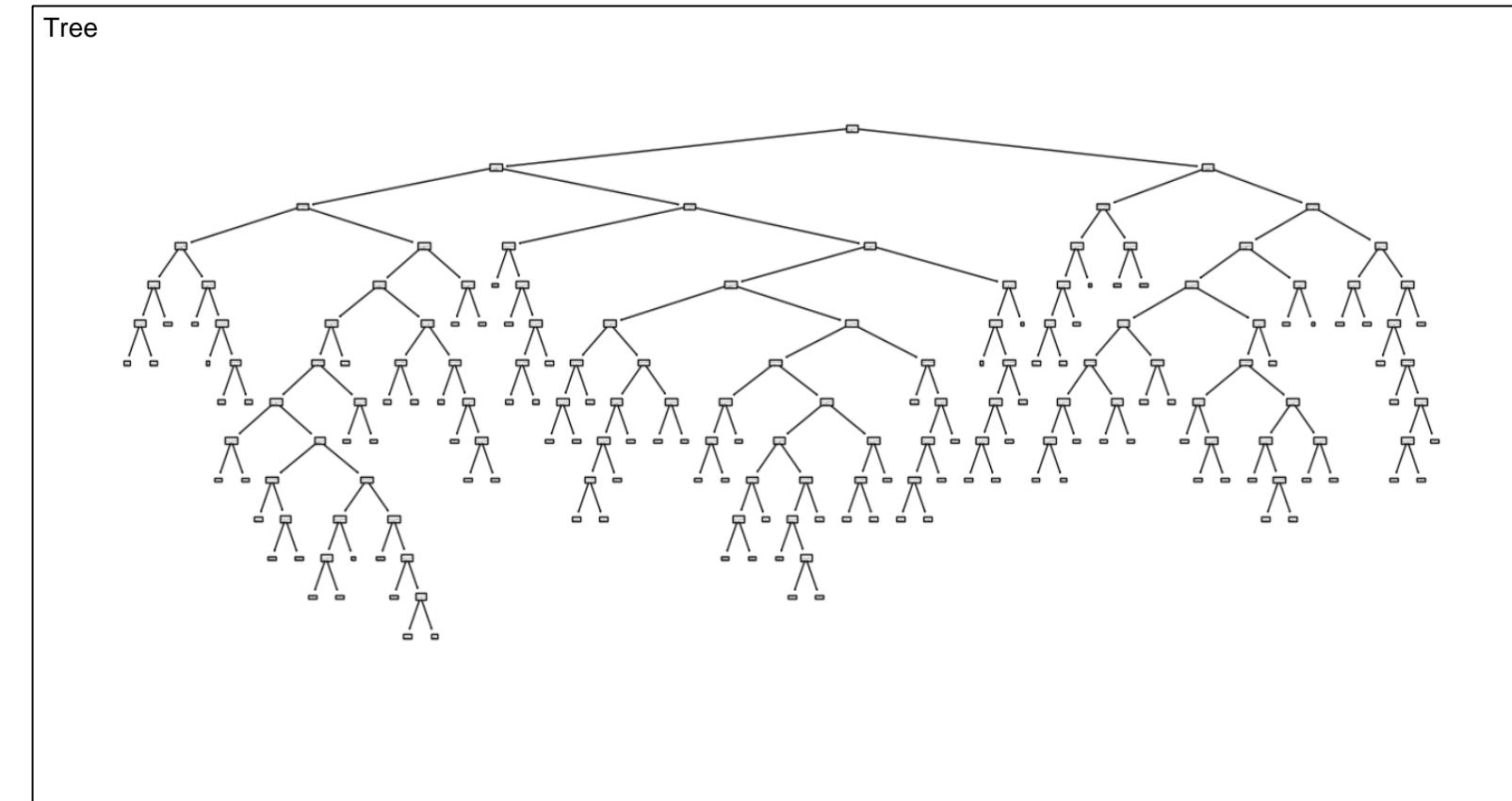
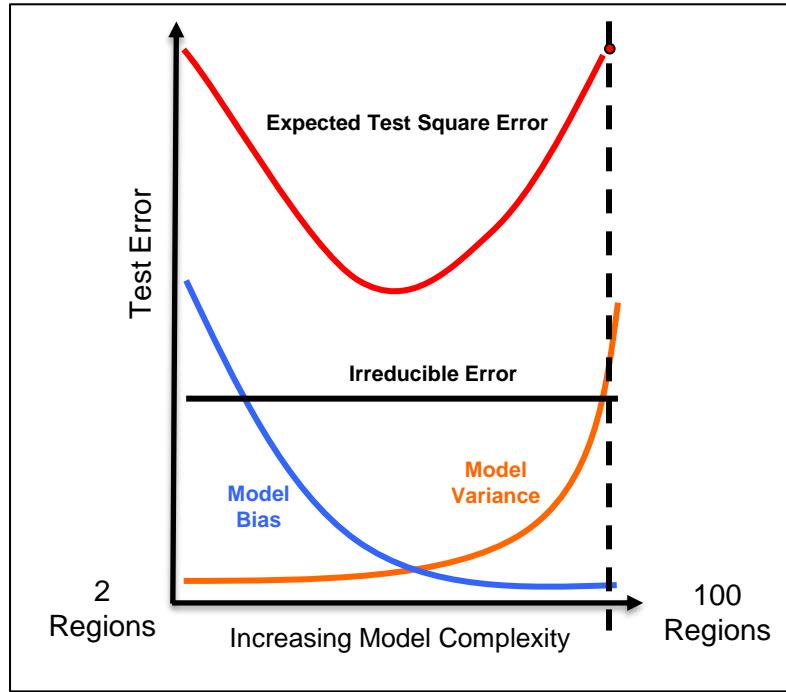
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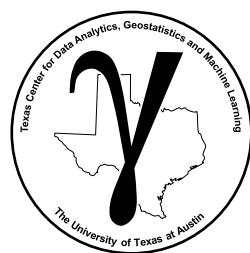


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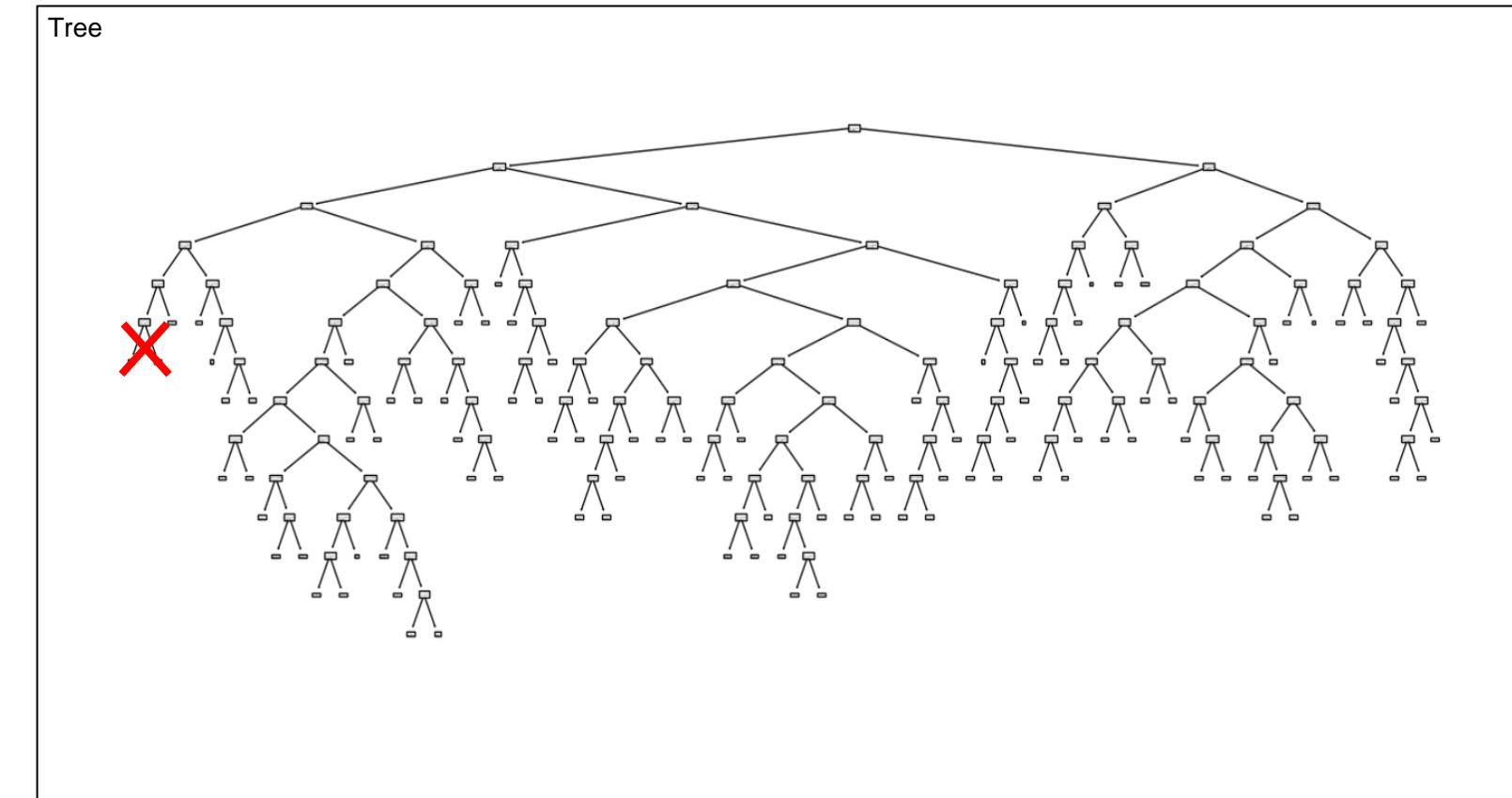
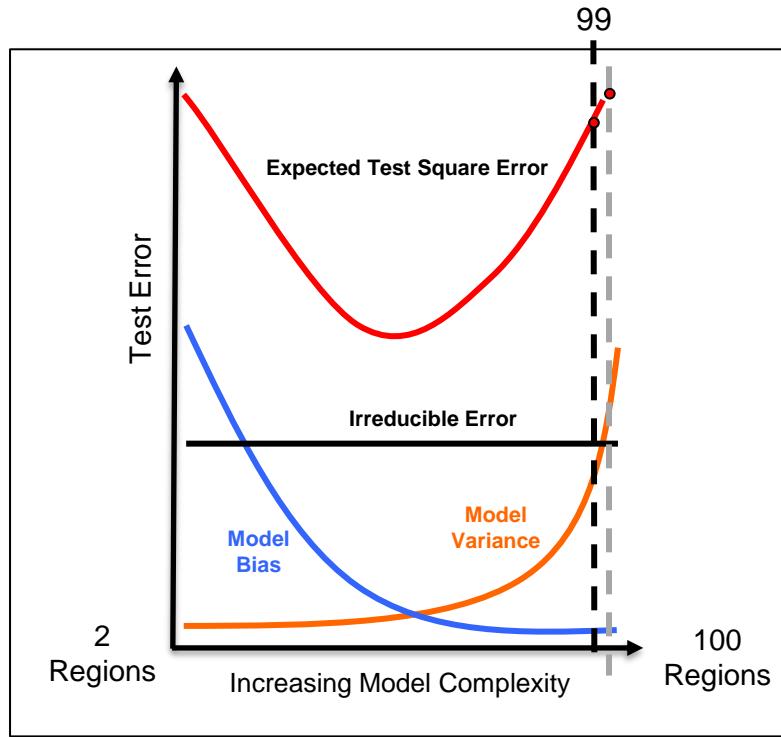


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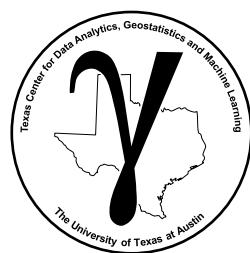


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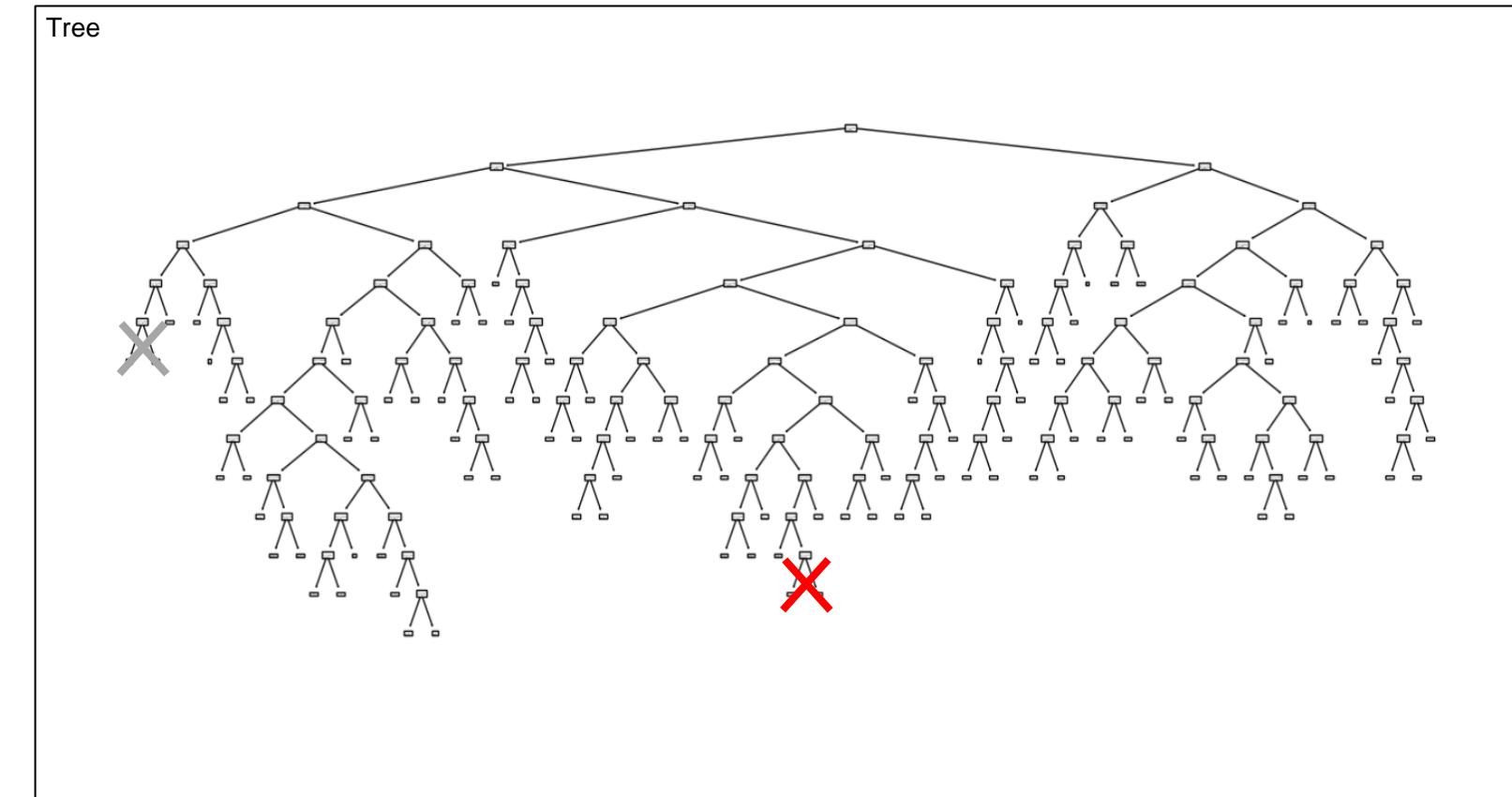
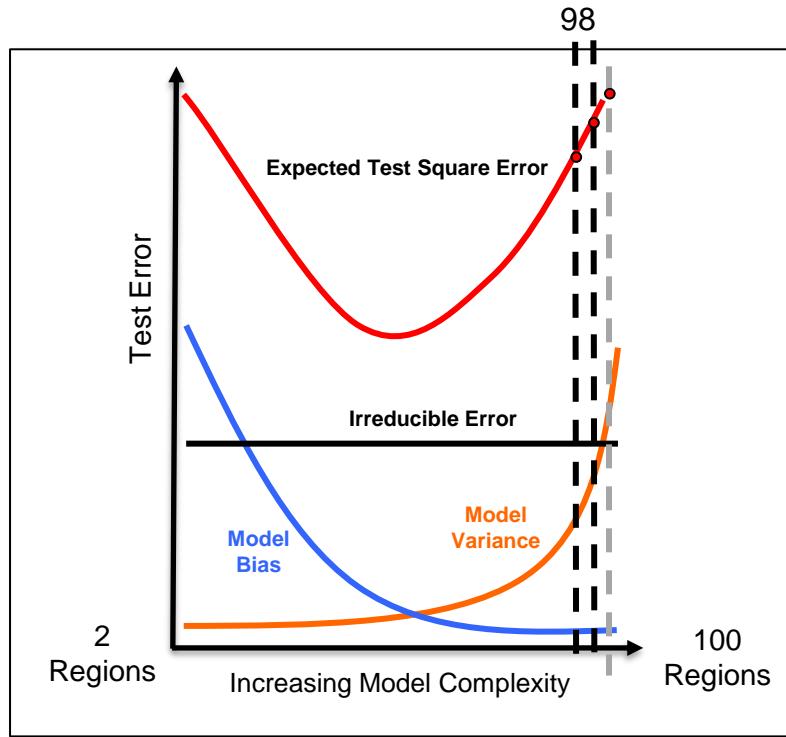


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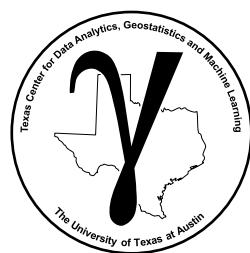


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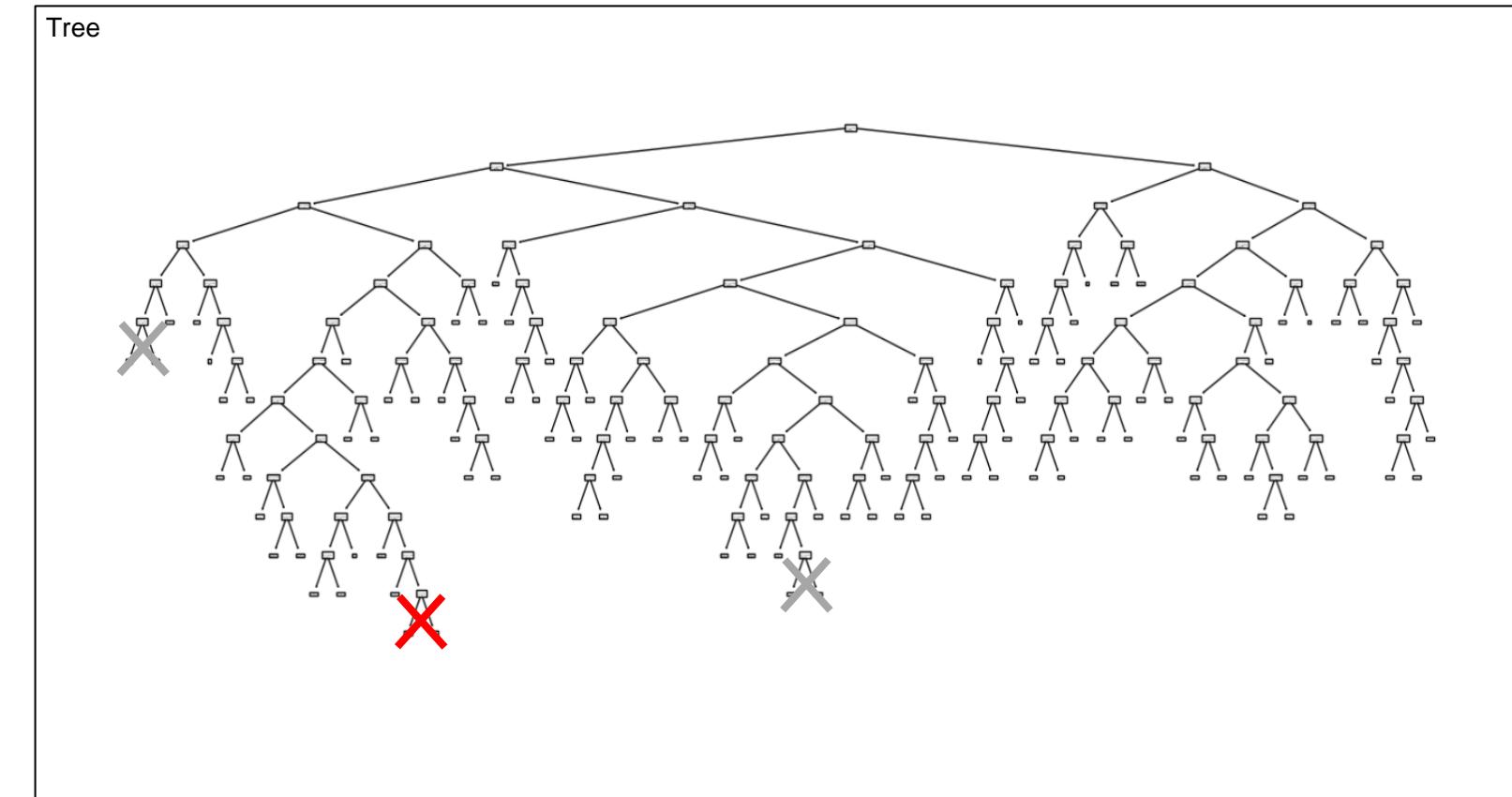
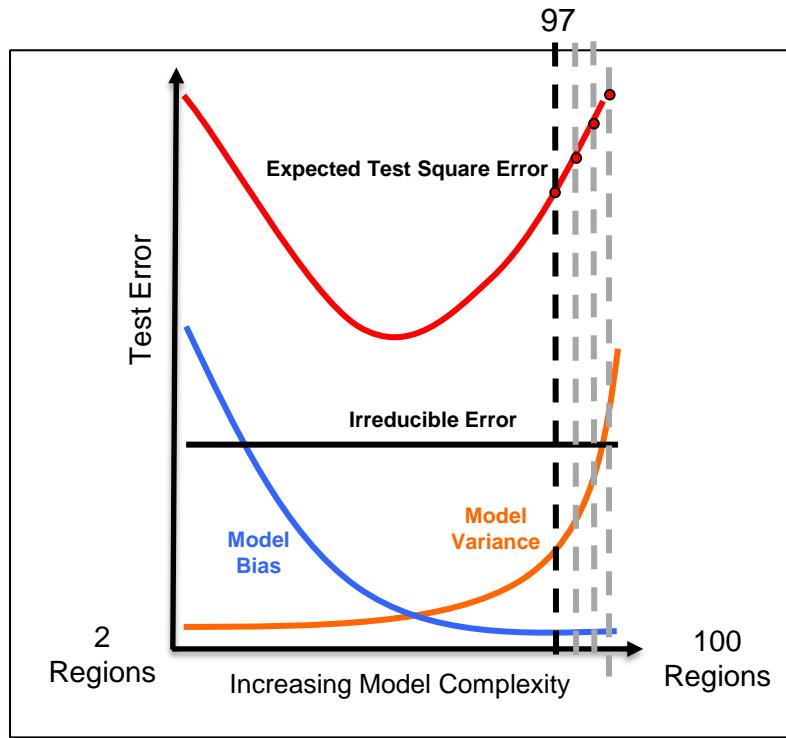


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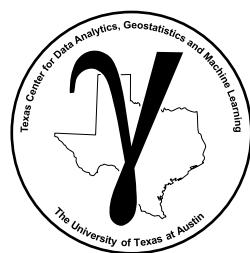


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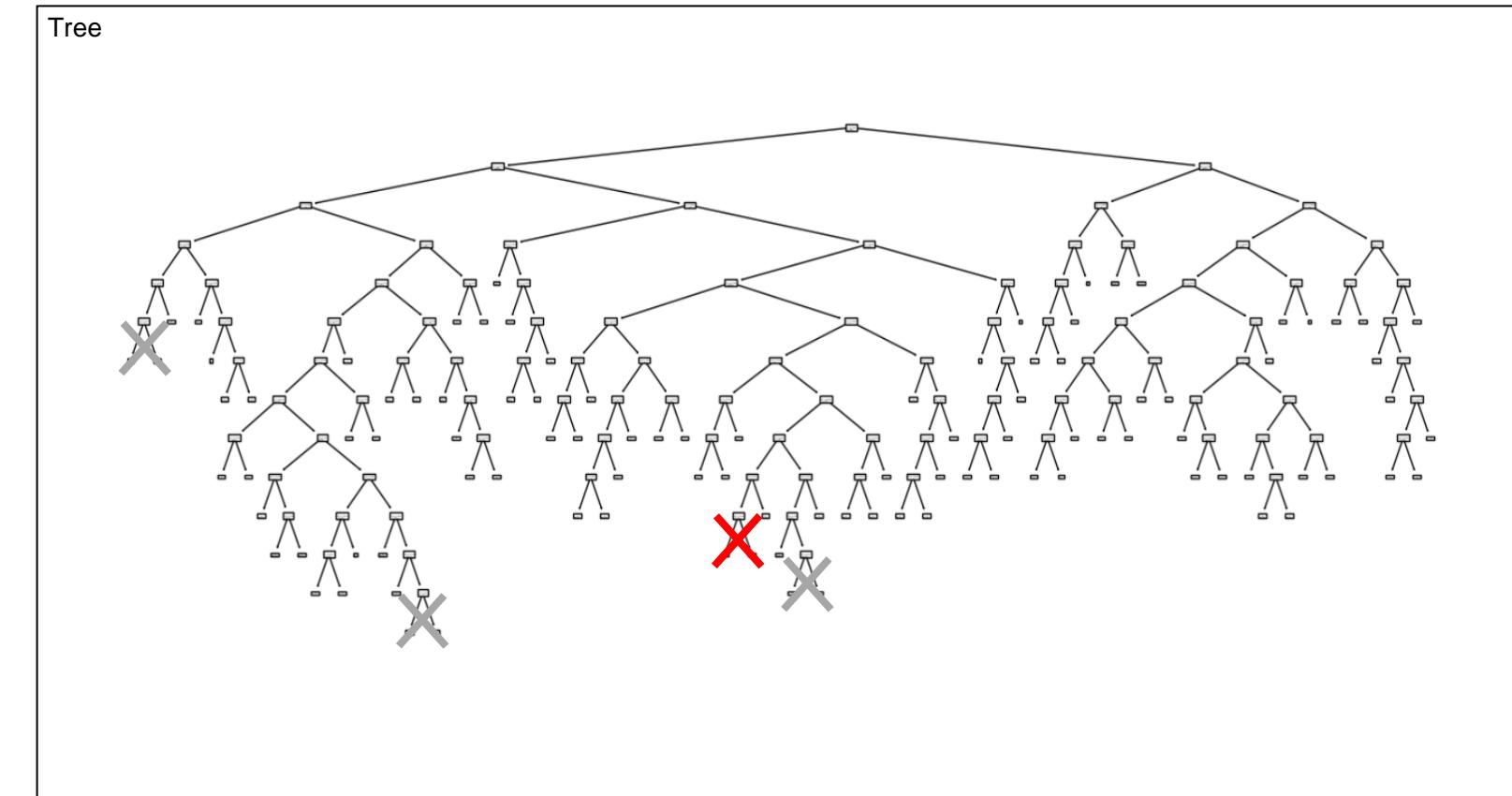
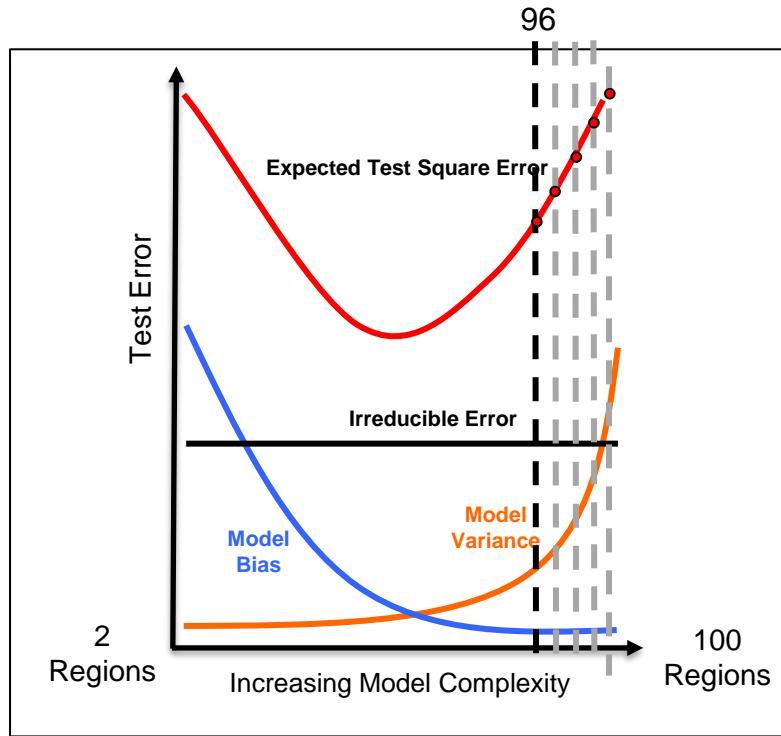


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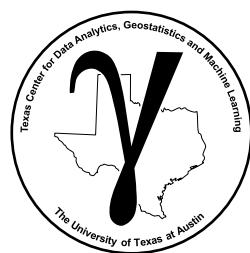


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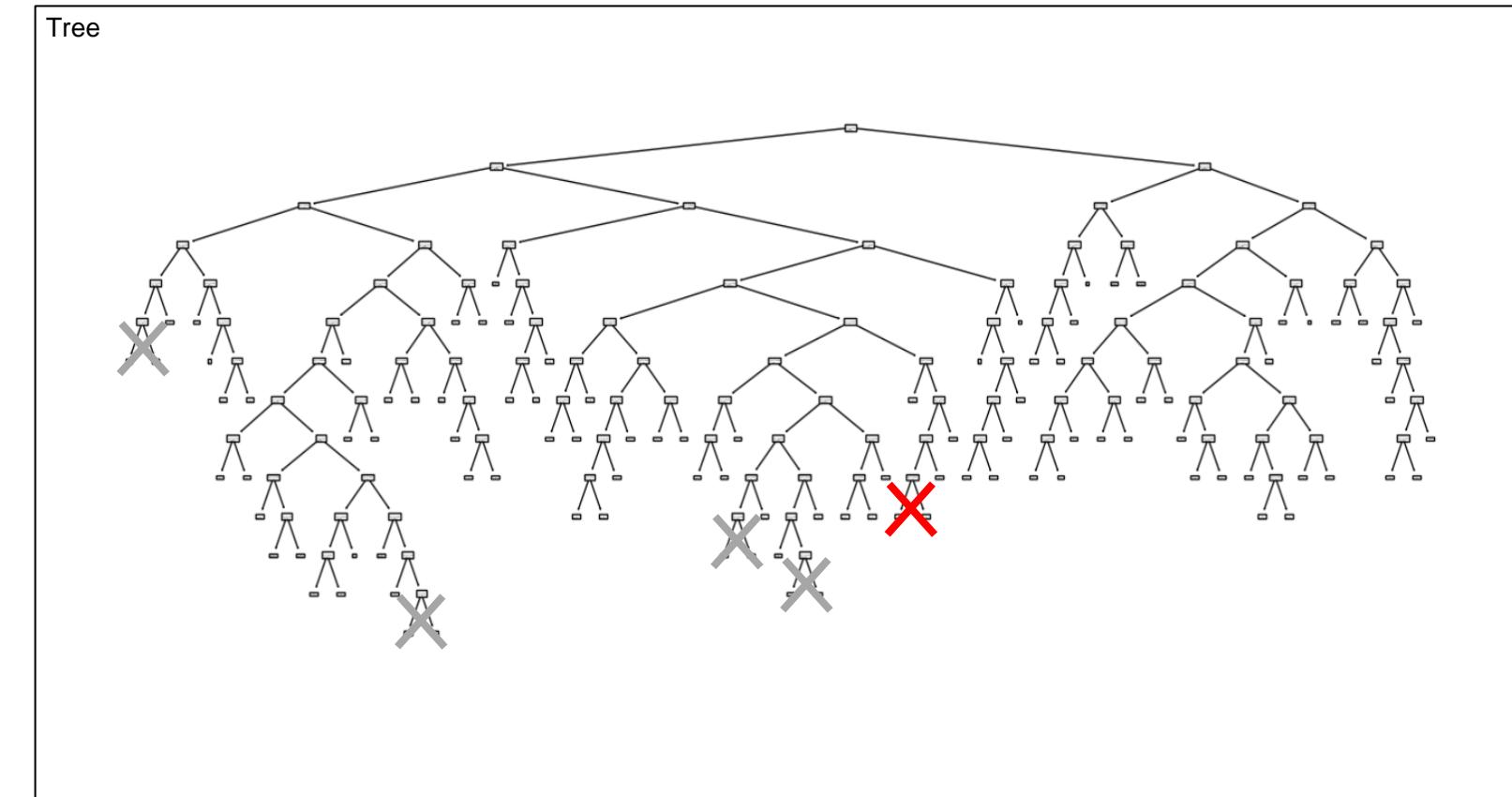
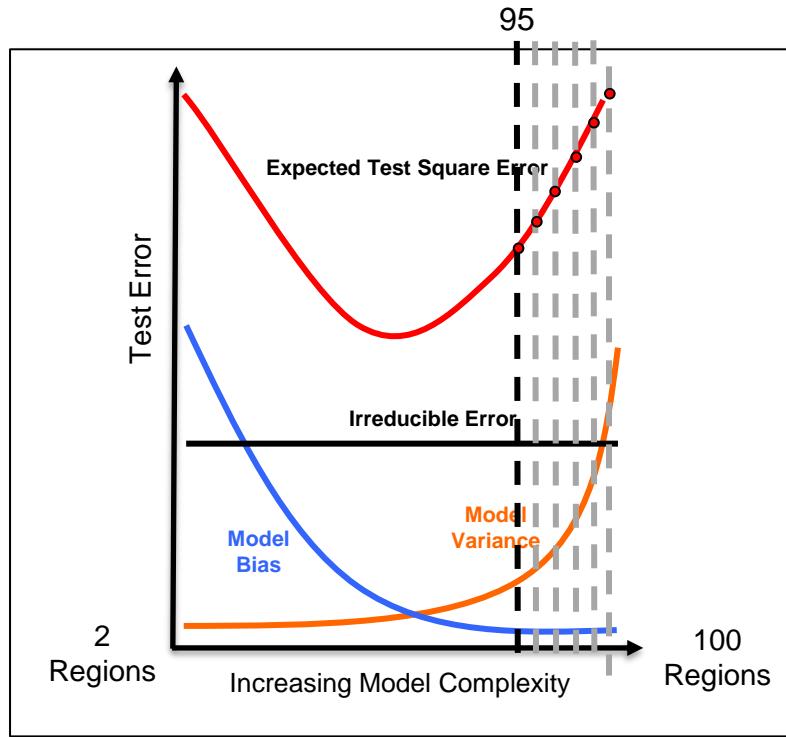


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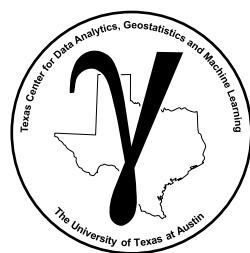


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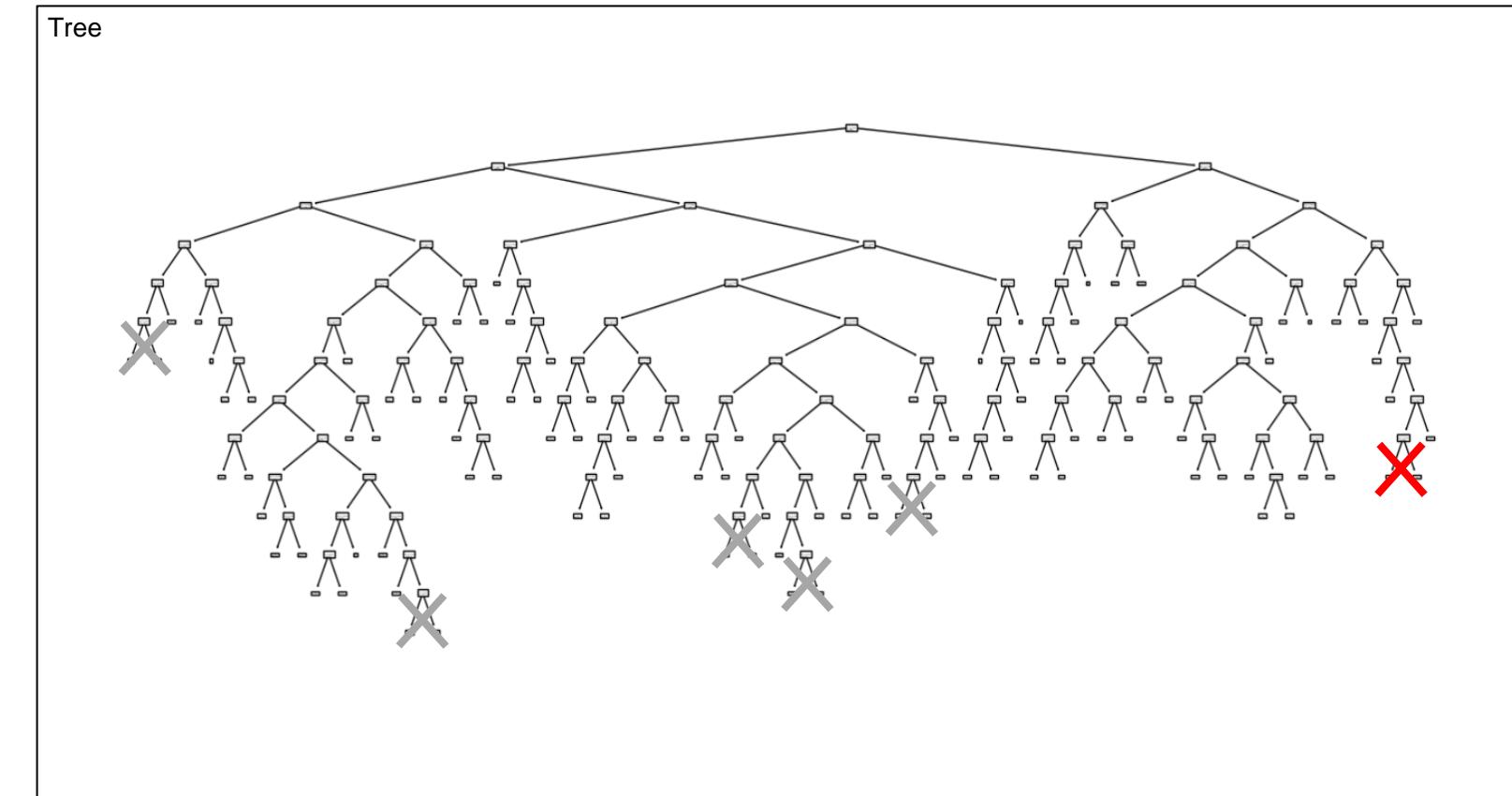
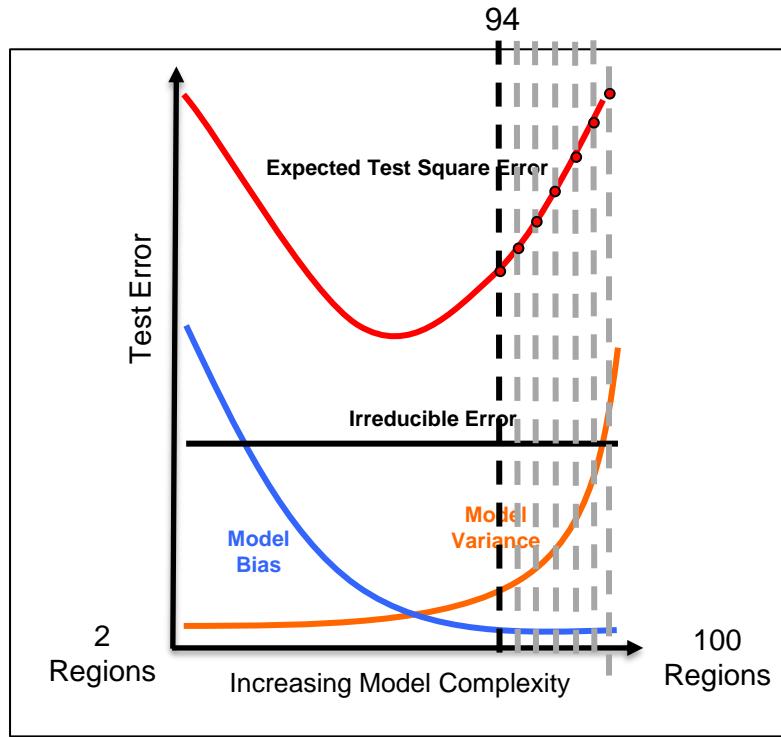


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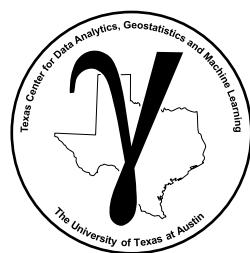


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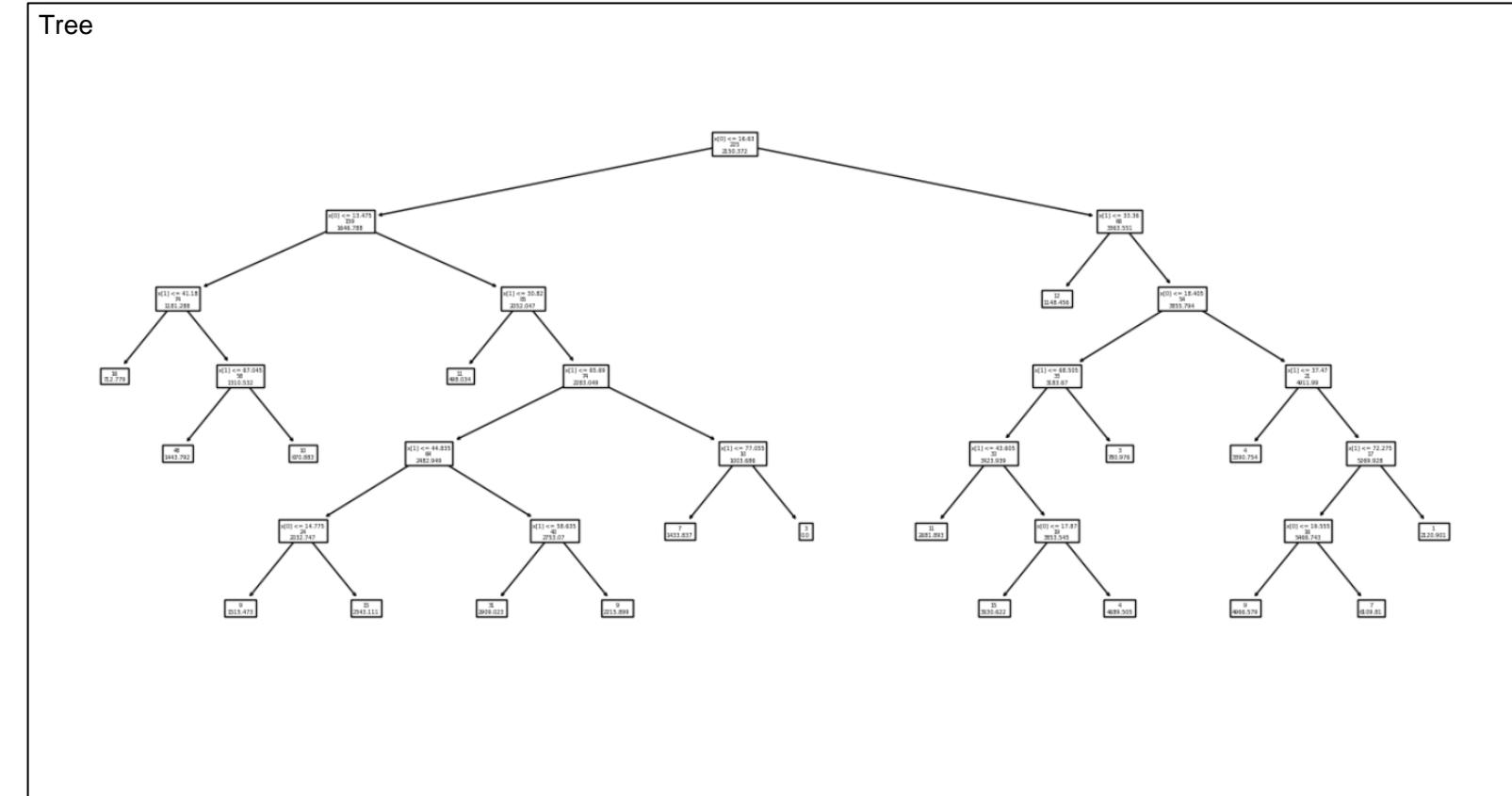
# Decision Tree Tuning

## Visualizing Decision Tree Complexity

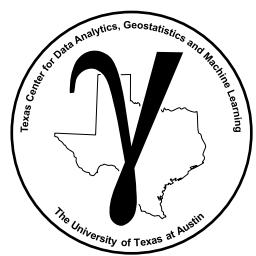
I made a interactive Python dashboard to visualize,

- tree models
- prediction vs. truth plots
- train and test vs. complexity plots

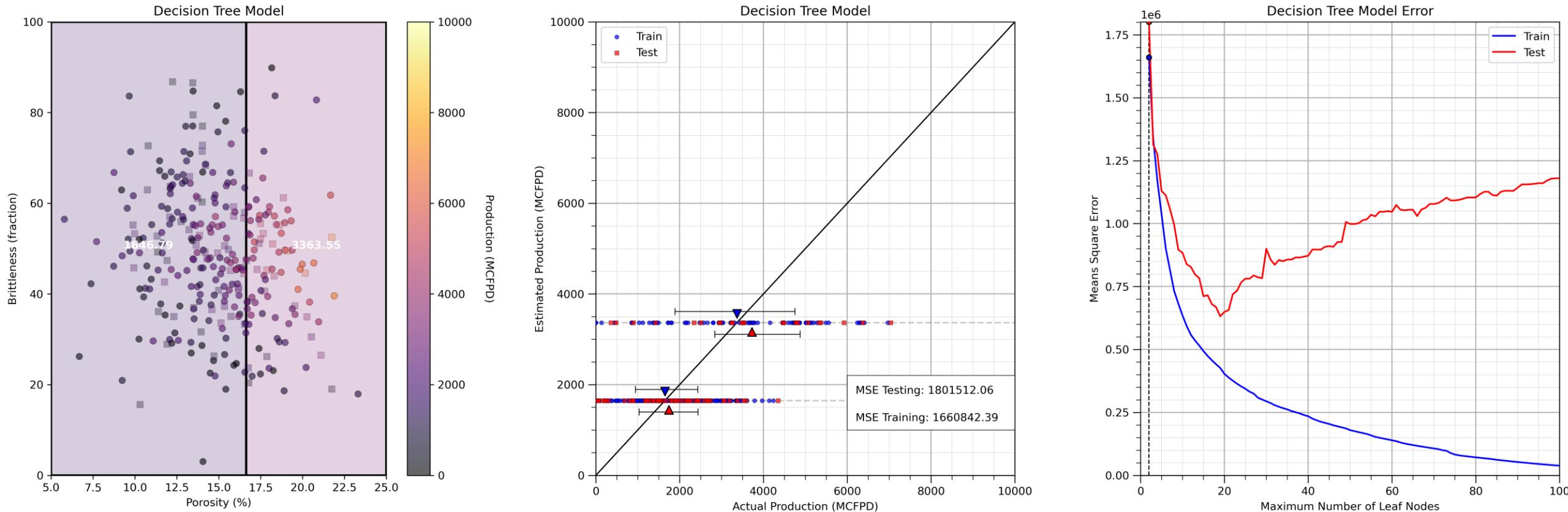
Let's look at some simple to complicated tree models.



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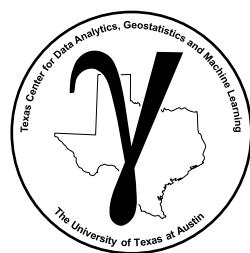


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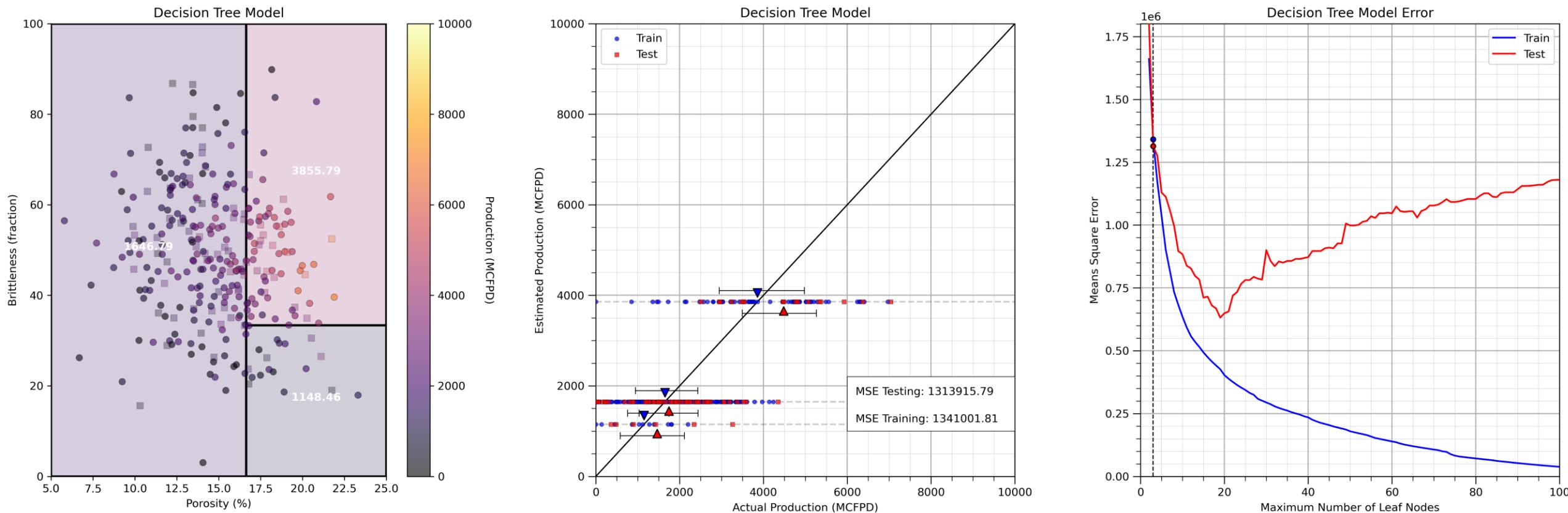


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Hyperparameter = 2 regions (leaf nodes) – very, very underfit model

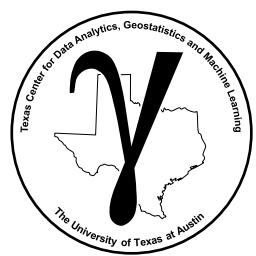


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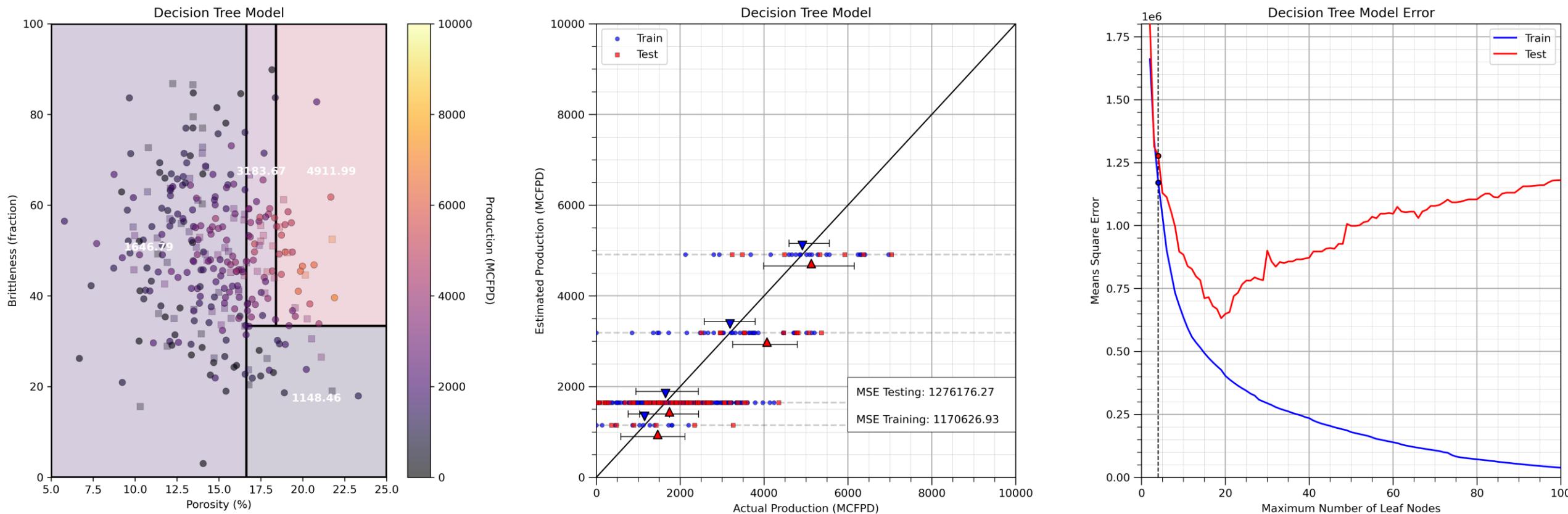


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Hyperparameter = 3 regions (leaf nodes) – very, very underfit model

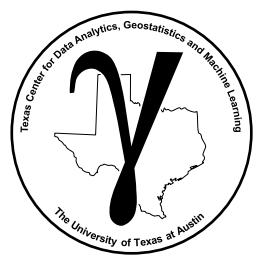


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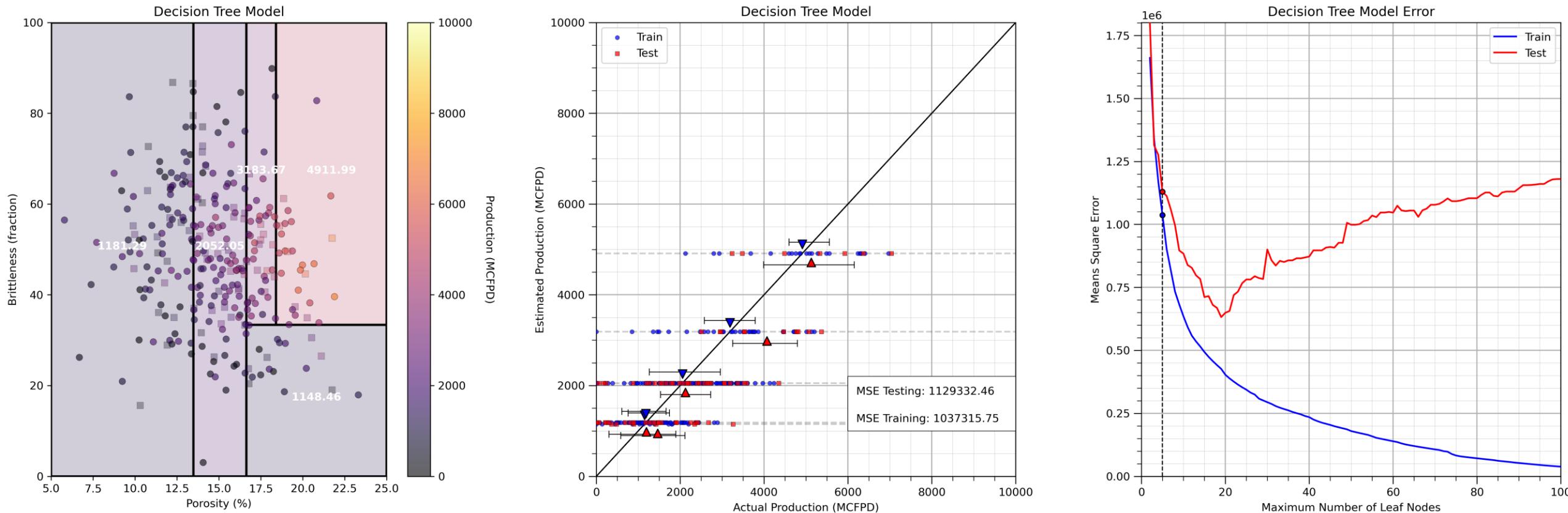


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Hyperparameter = 4 regions (leaf nodes) – very underfit model

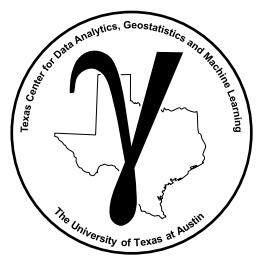


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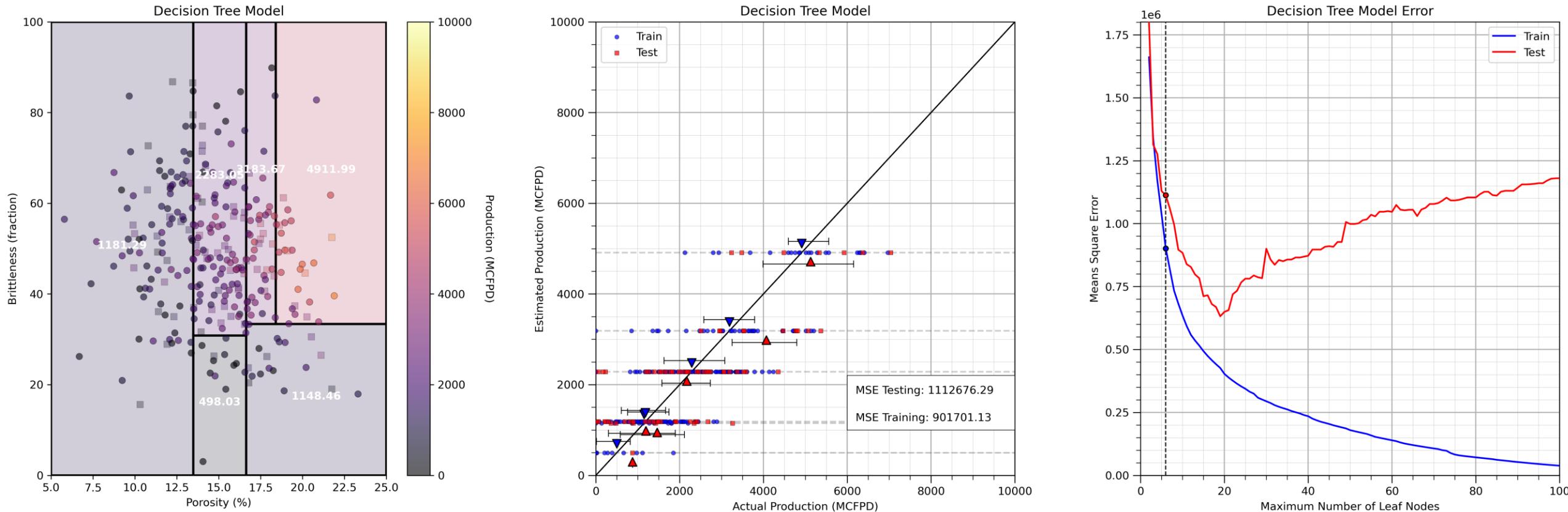


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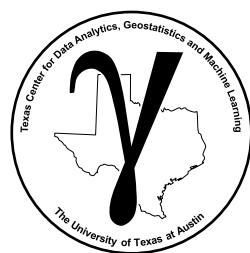


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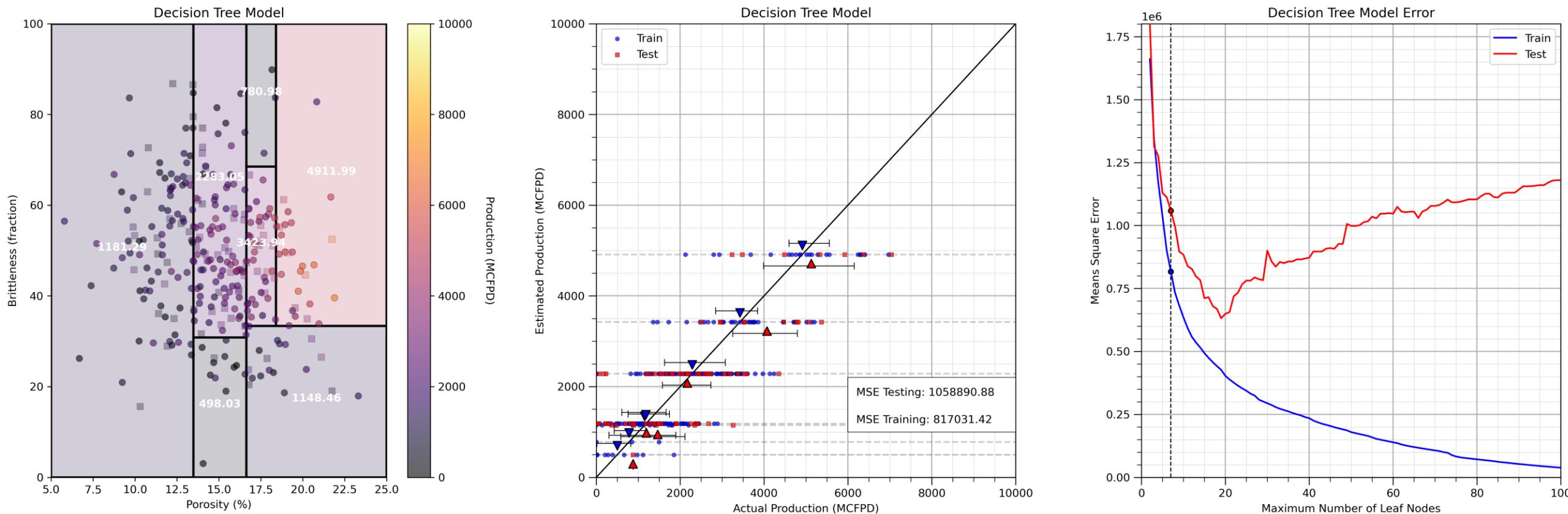


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Hyperparameter = 6 regions (leaf nodes) – underfit model

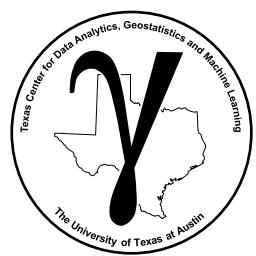


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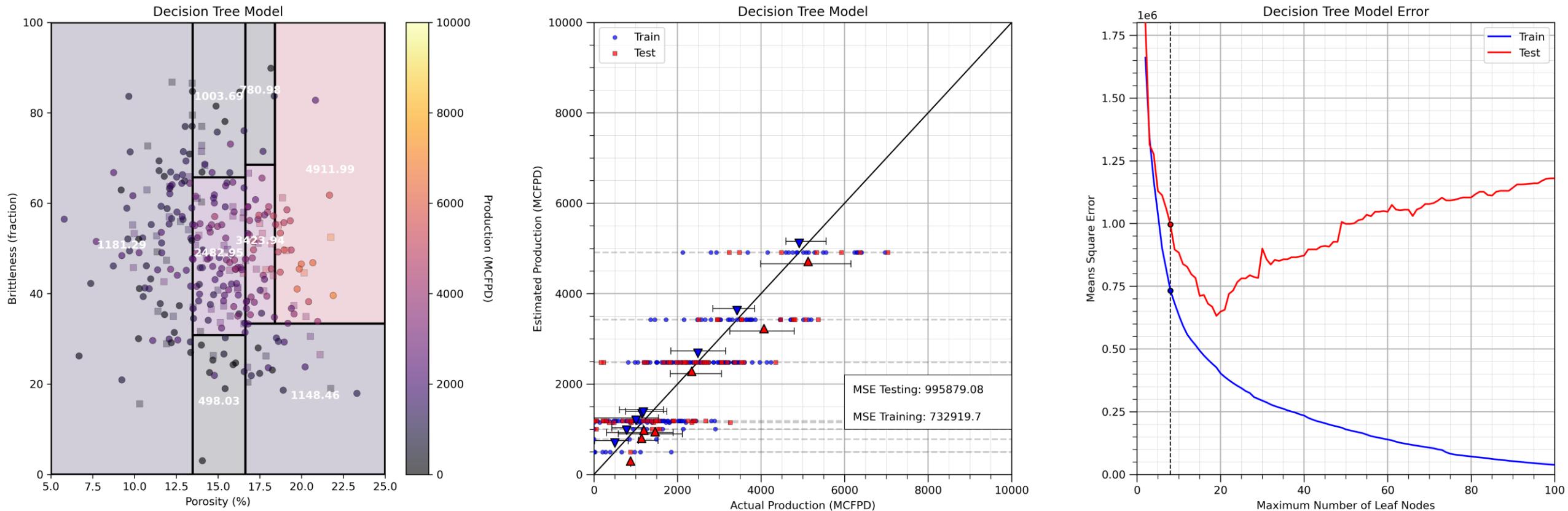


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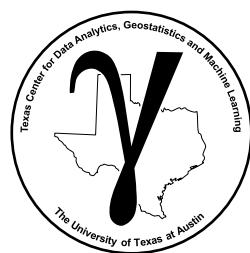


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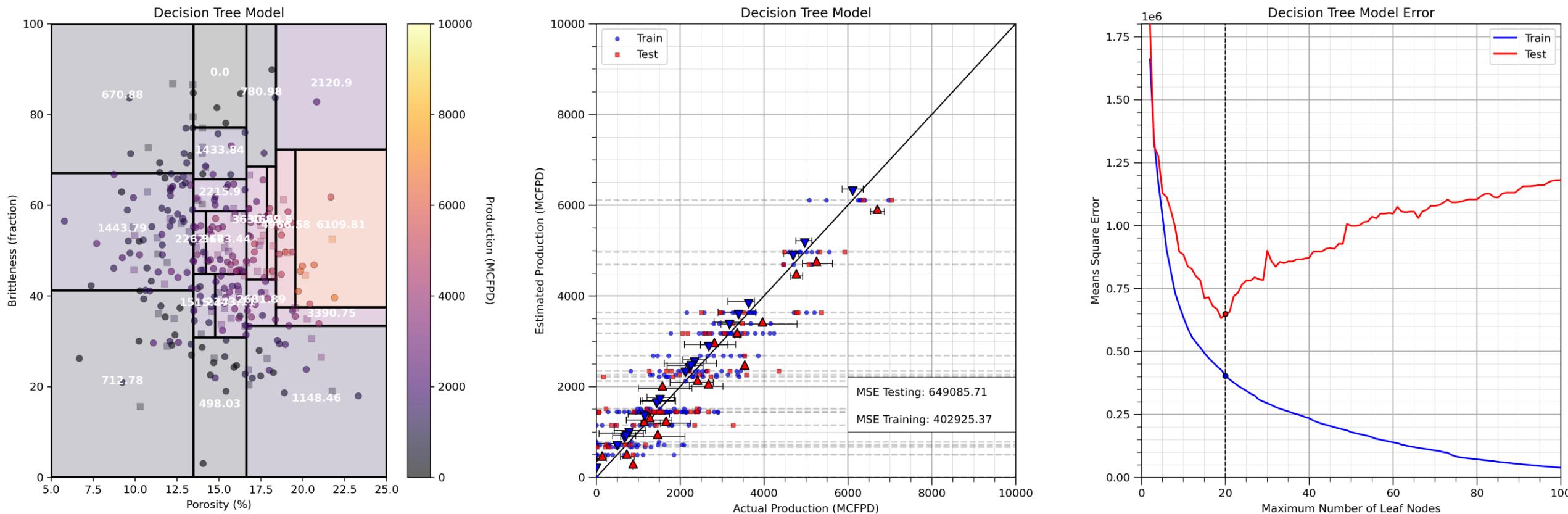


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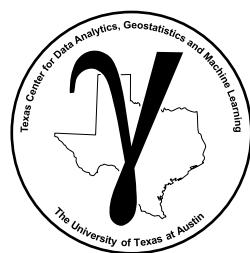


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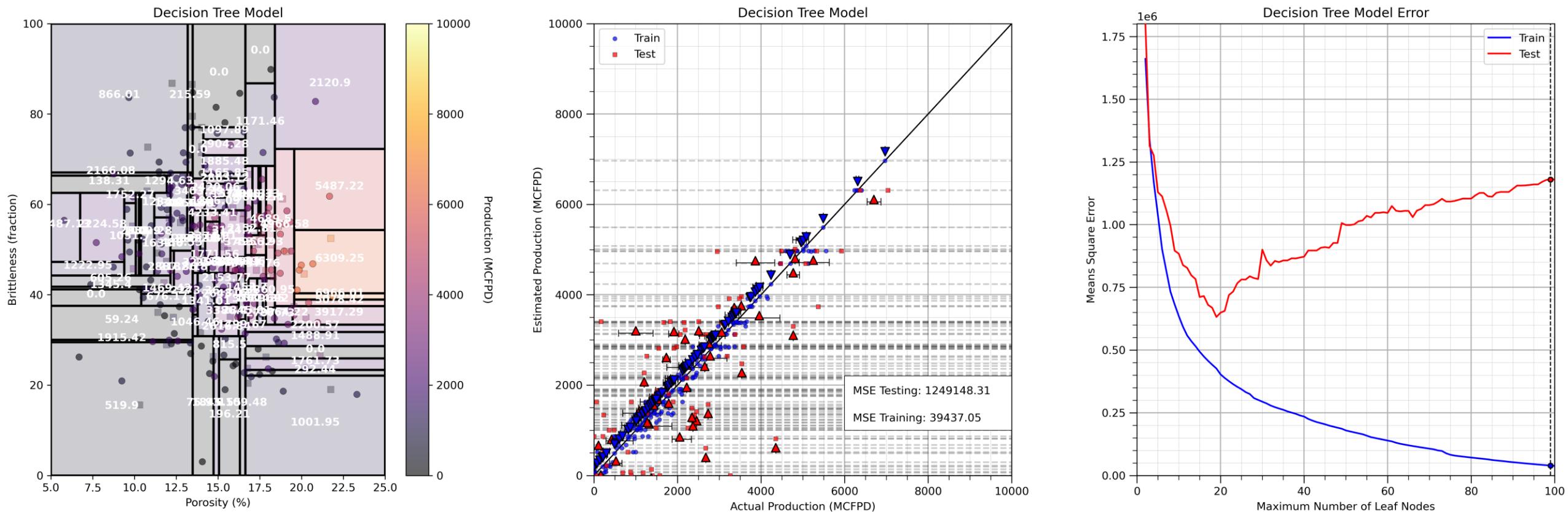


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Hyperparameter = 15 regions (leaf nodes) – tuned model

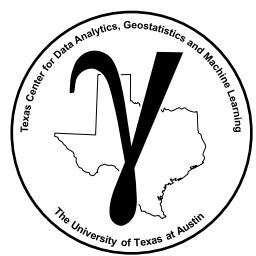


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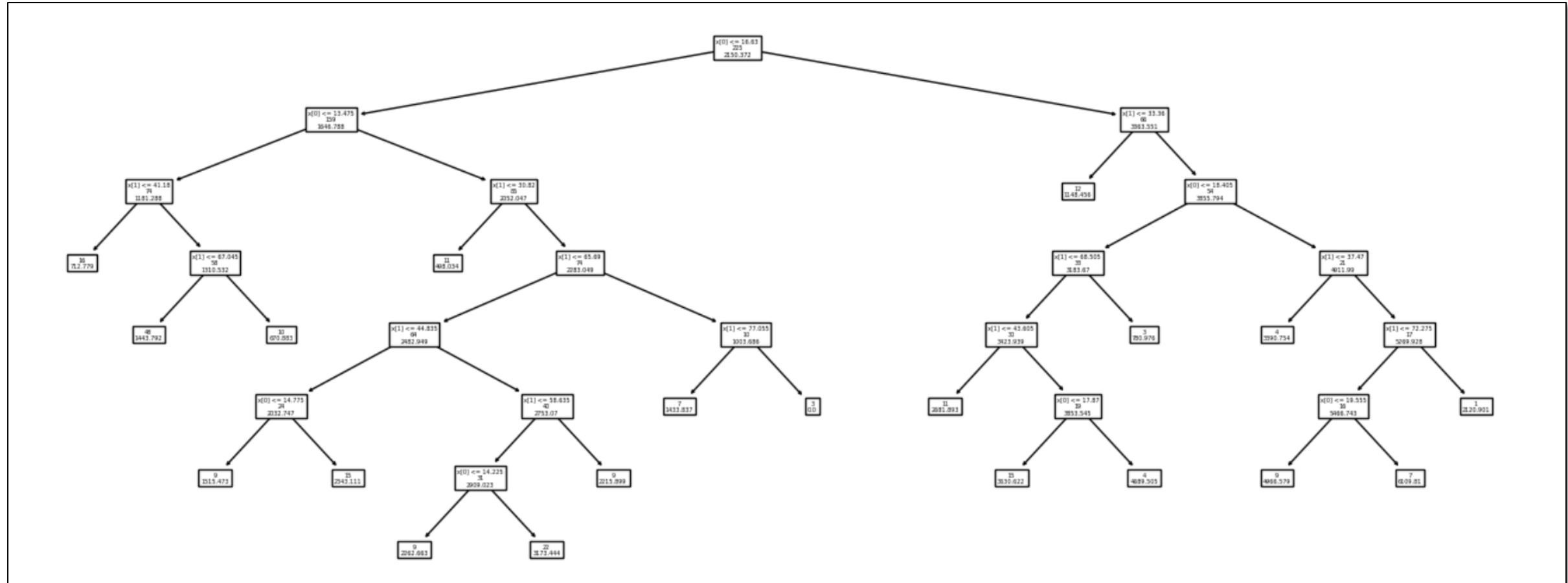
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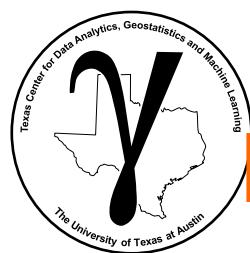


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**Now retrain the model with our tuned hyperparameter = 19 regions (leaf nodes)**

- this is the model that we plot to predict production from porosity and brittleness.





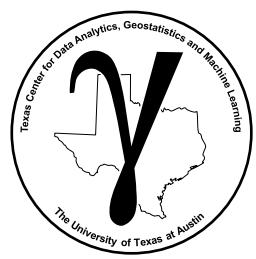
# Decision Tree Hyperparameters

## Decision Tree Hyperparameters

- **Number of regions** – very easy to understand, you know what the model will be

Other Hyperparameters,

- **Minimum reduction in RSS** – could stop early, e.g., a low reduction in RSS split could lead to a subsequent split with a larger reduction in RSS
- **Minimum number of training data in each region** – related to the concept of accuracy of the region mean prediction, i.e., we need at least  $n$  data for a reliable mean
- **Maximum number of levels** – forces symmetric trees, similar number of splits to get to each region

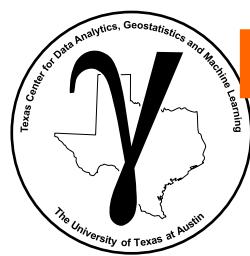


# PGE 383 Subsurface Machine Learning

## Lecture 14: Decision Tree

### Lecture outline:

- **Decision Tree Tuning with K-fold Cross Validation**



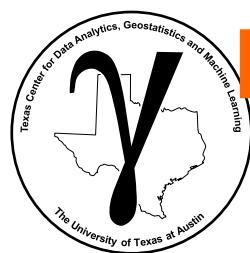
# Decision Trees Workflow

## Training and Tuning a Decision Tree

1. Grow a very complicate tree, overfit the data
2. Sequential removal of branches to access a set of simple to complicated decision trees
3. Evaluate testing error for each simple to complicate decision tree
4. Select hyperparameter that minimizes testing error, the tuned hyperparameters
5. Train the decision tree with the tuned hyperparameters with all data

## Comments

- for K-fold cross validation train K trees on K-folds and aggregate testing error



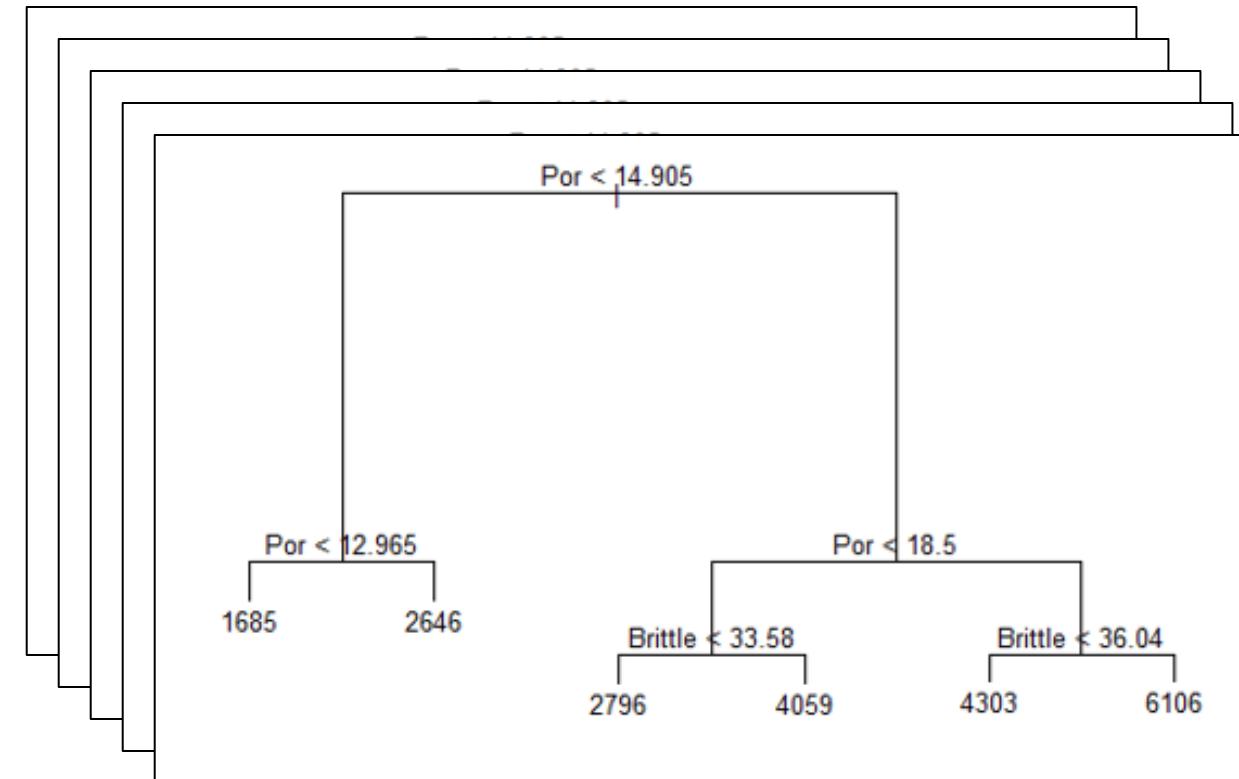
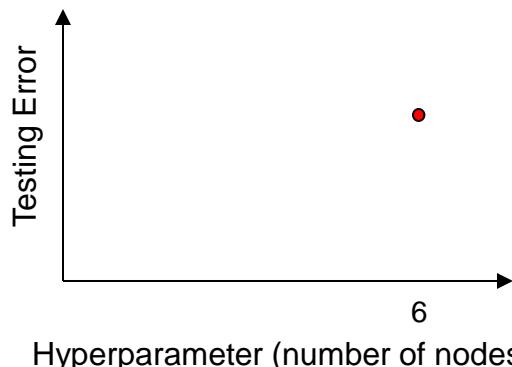
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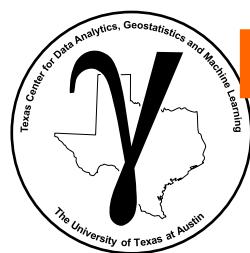
Over K folds.

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- Calculate error with testing data

Average K testing errors



$k$  decision trees with hyperparameter max number of terminal nodes = 6.



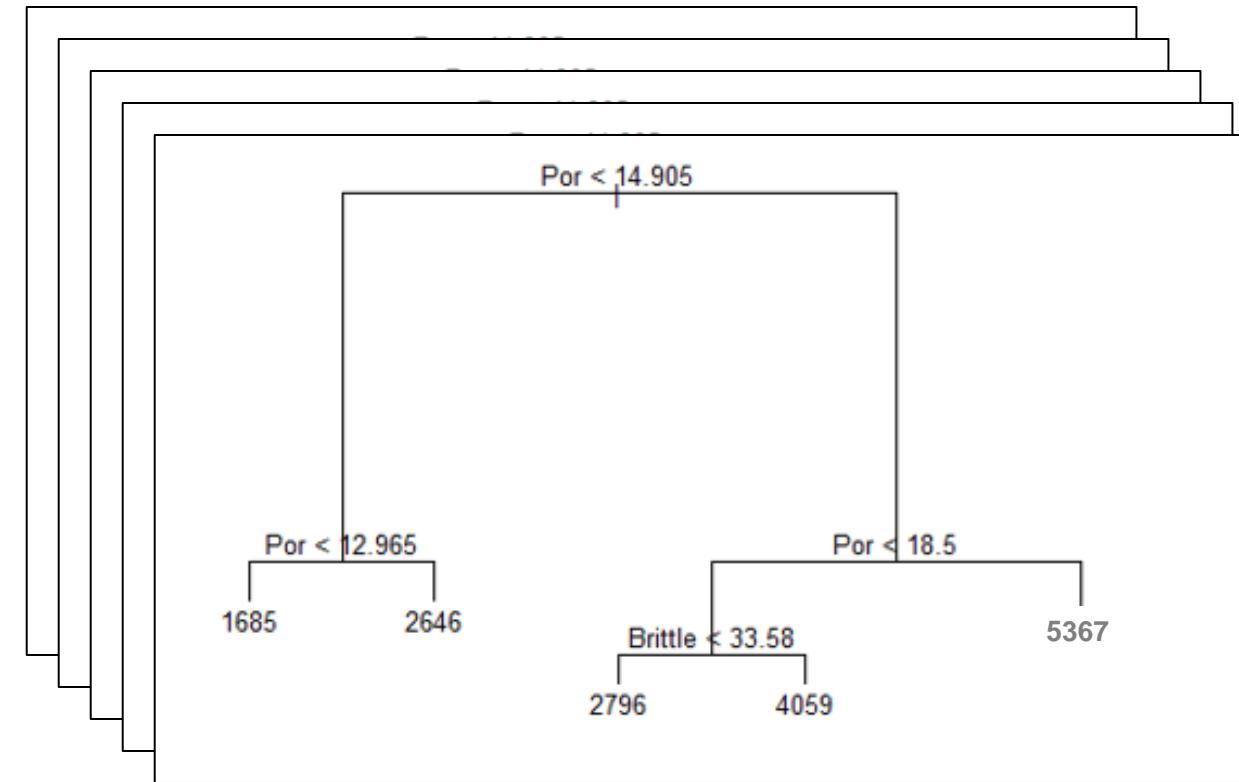
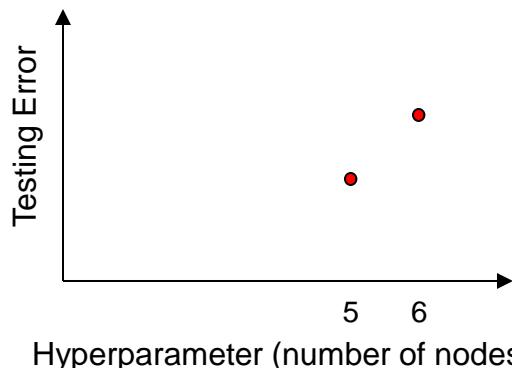
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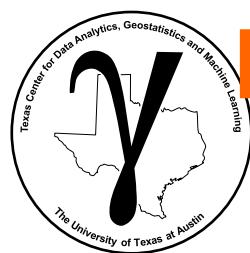
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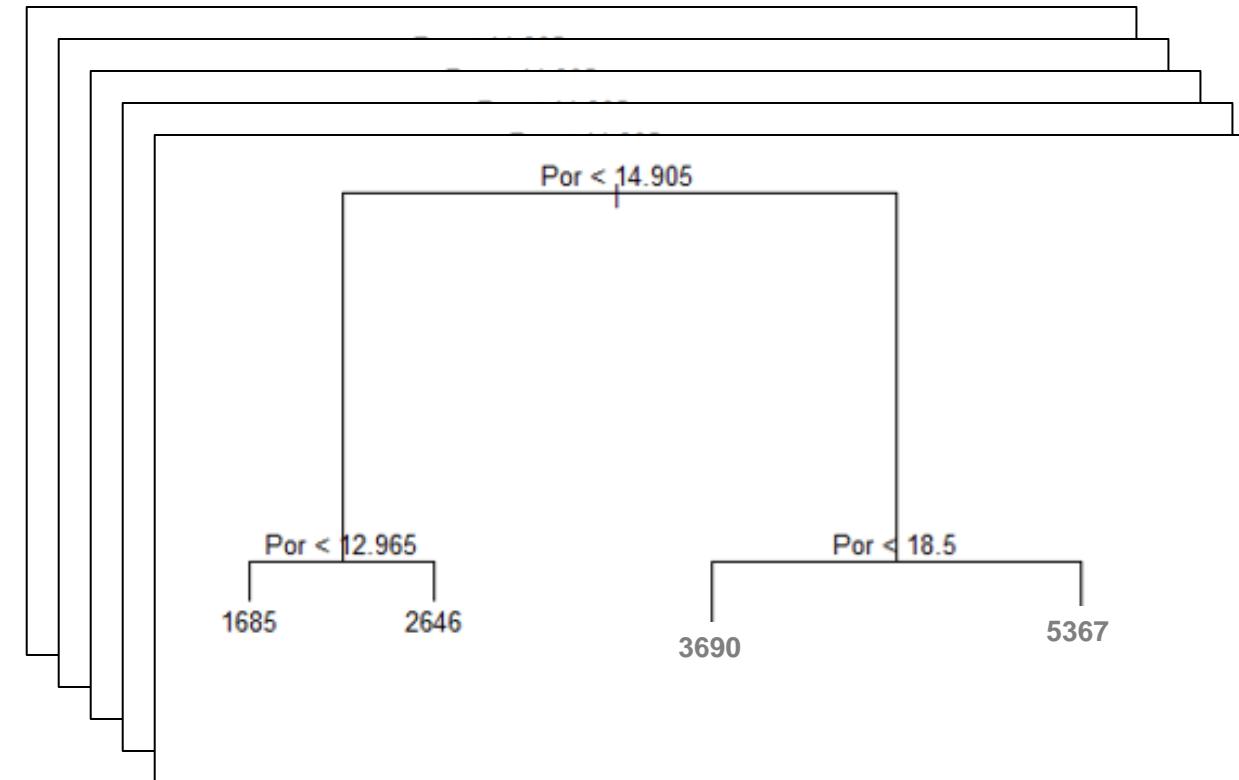
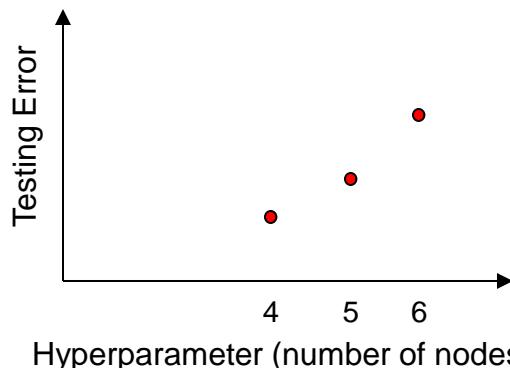
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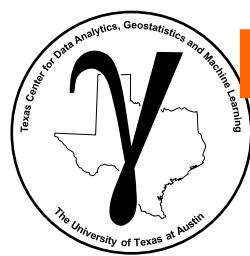
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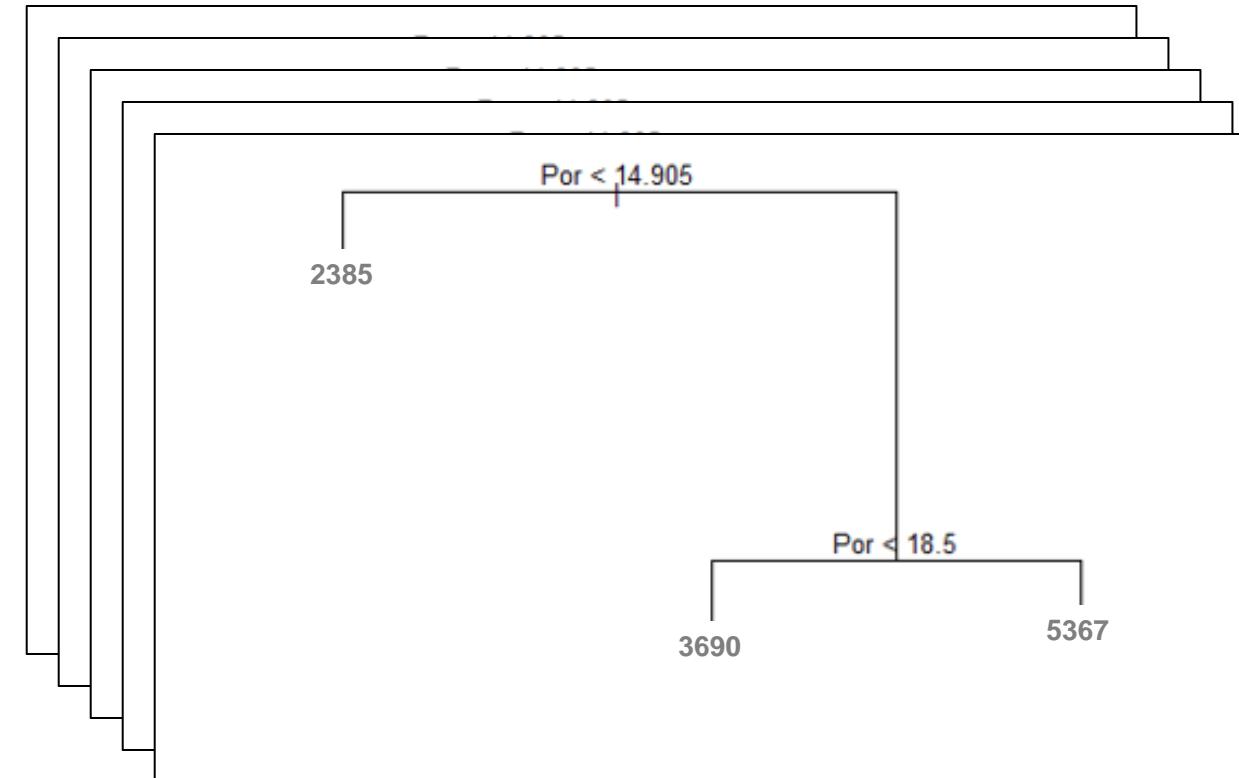
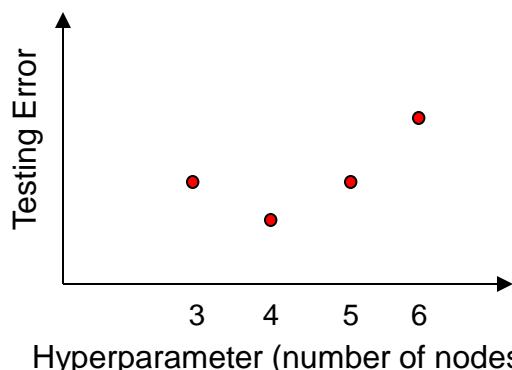
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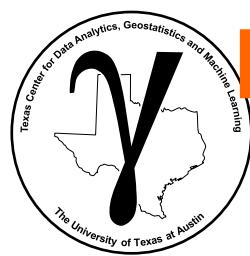
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k decision trees with hyperparameter max number of terminal nodes = 3.



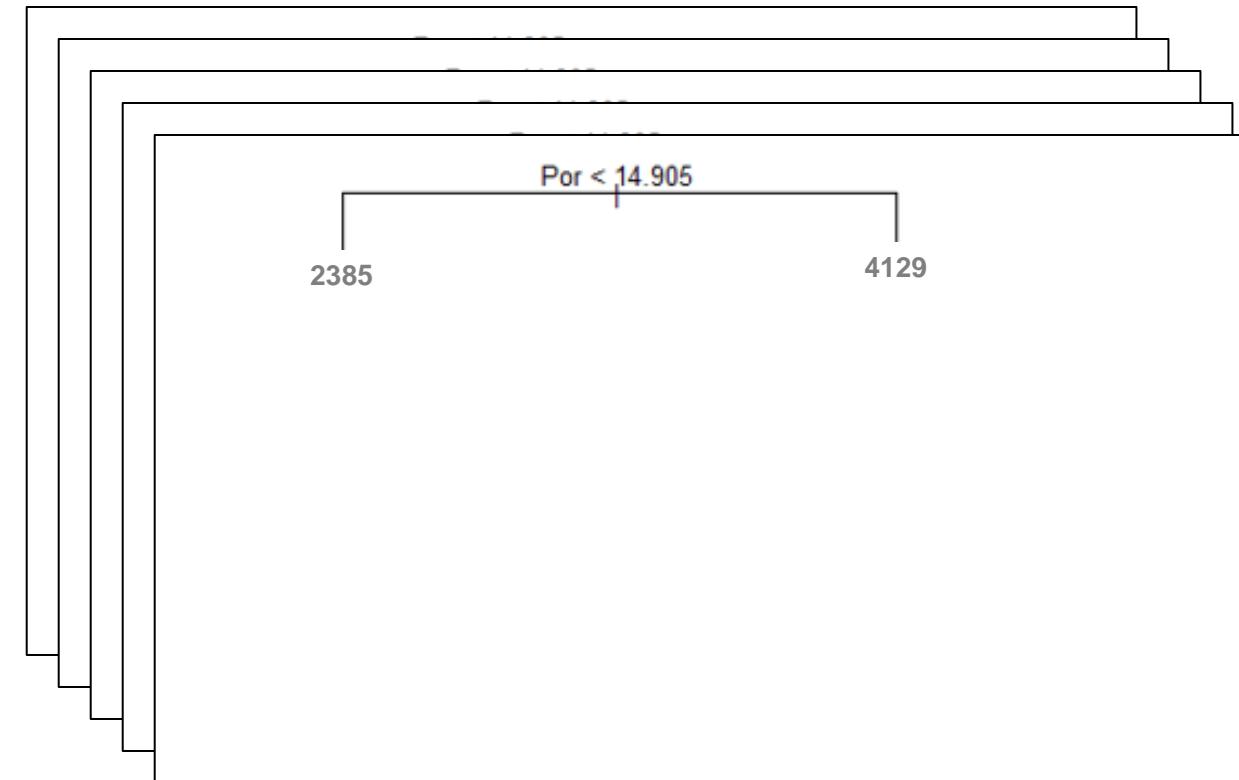
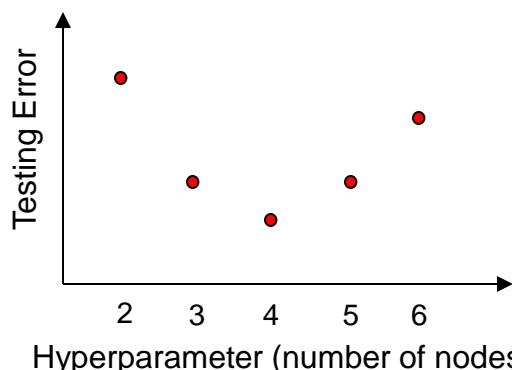
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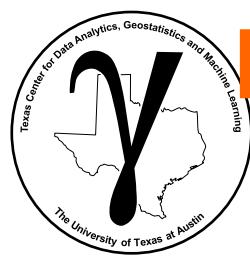
Over K folds.

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Average K testing errors



$k$  decision trees with hyperparameter max number of terminal nodes = 2.



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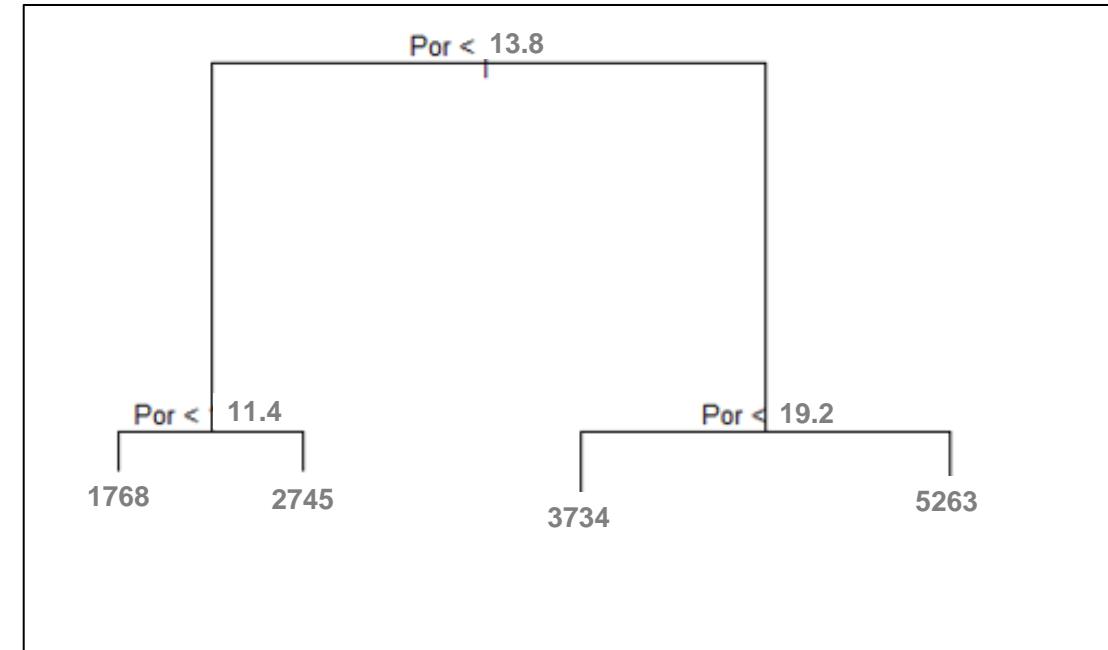
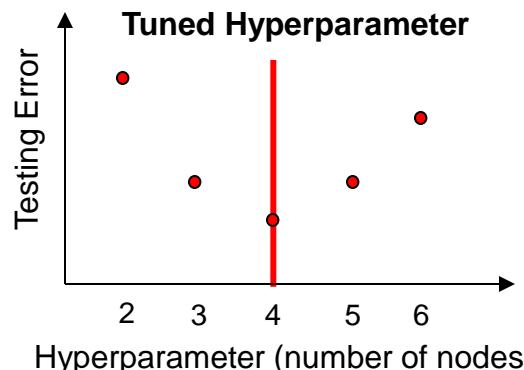
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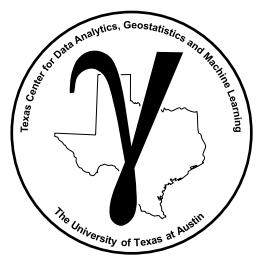
- Build complicated decision tree
- Sequentially prune the tree
- Calculate error with testing data

Average K testing errors

Select hyperparameter that minimized testing error and retrain on all data.



Tuned decision tree, retrained with all the data for a final model.



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## Lecture 14: Decision Tree

### Lecture outline:

- Decision Tree Shapley Values

# Recall Shapley Values

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$$f(X_1 = 25) = 20$$

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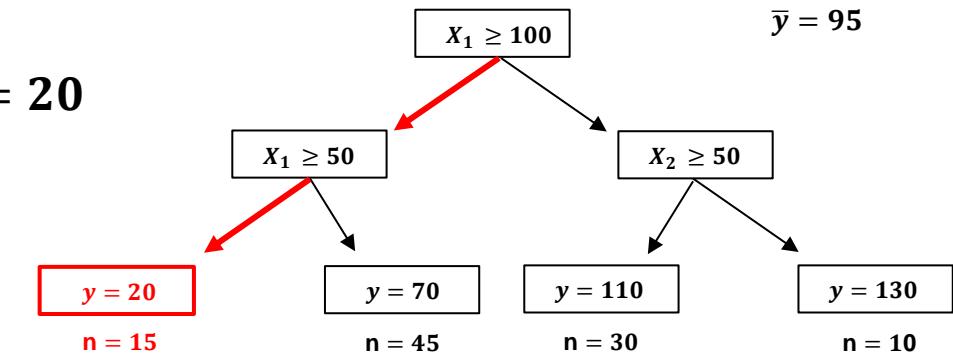
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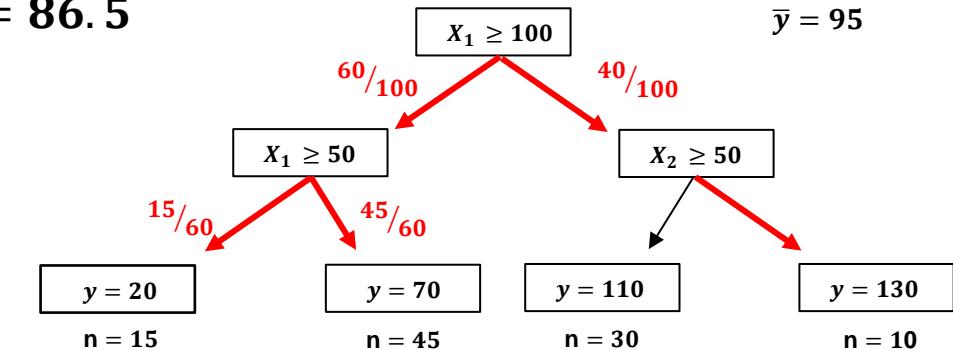
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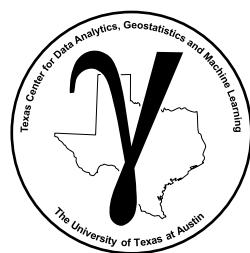
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# Recall Shapley Values

We need to take a single model,  $f(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)$ , and make an estimate for all possible combinations feature subsets!

Note: the **naïve approach** is to train the full combinatorial of models. We don't want to do that if our goal is feature importance to diagnose our model,  $f$ . We want to support model explain-ability.

The variety of approaches are similar to imputation methods:

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = f(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 = E[x_4])$$

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = f(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 = P50_{x_4})$$

There is a unique method with tree-based models:

- Remove  $x_4$  branches, and then the model does not use  $x_4$  to make prediction

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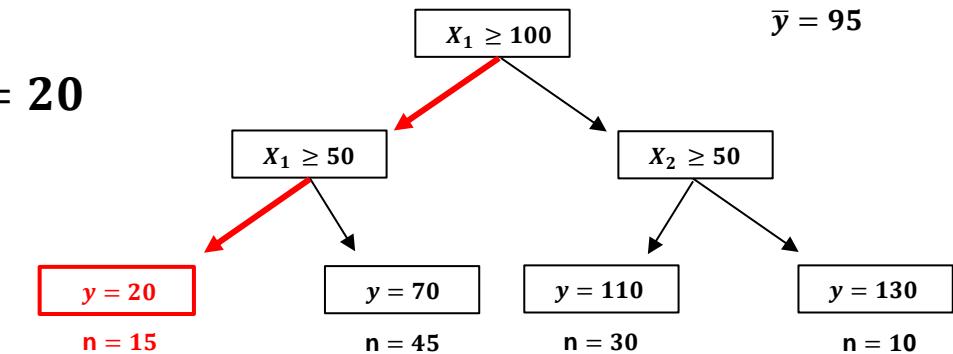
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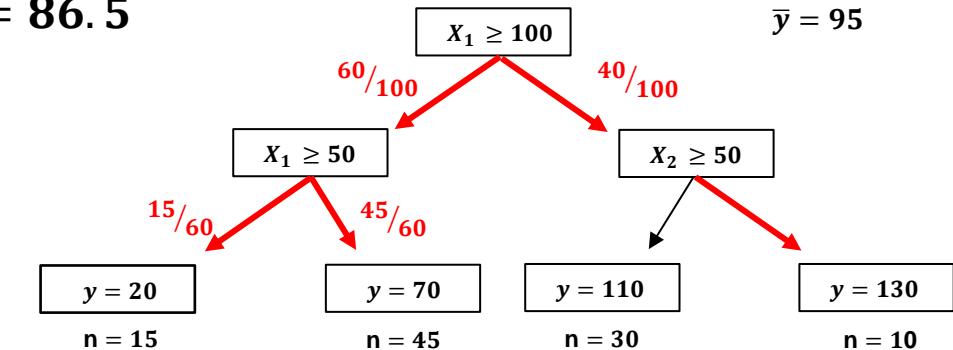
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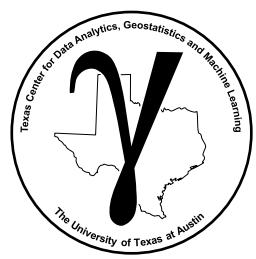
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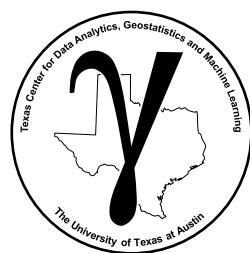


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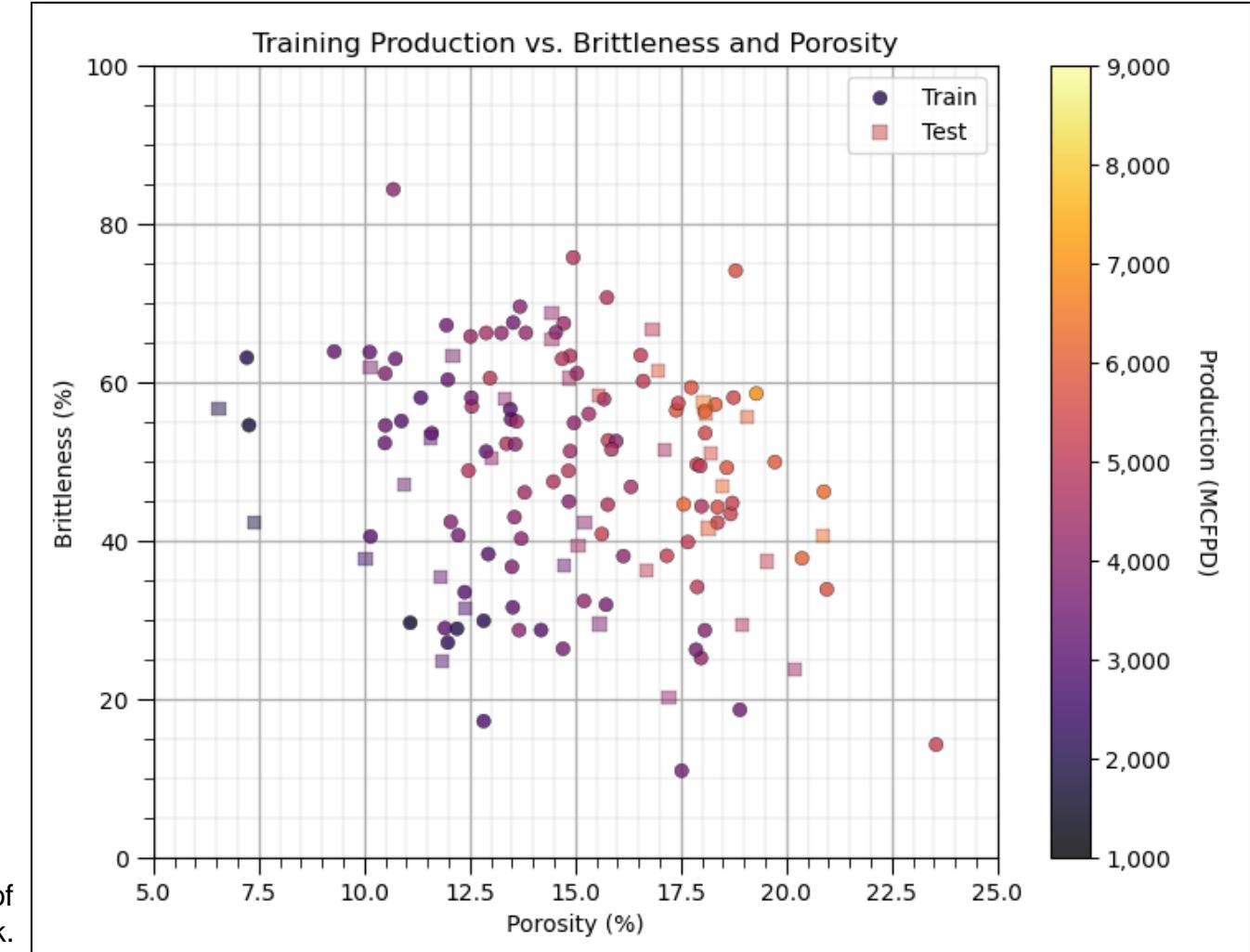


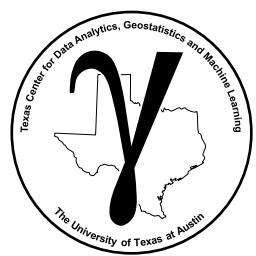
# Decision Tree Example

## Unconventional Multivariate Data

- both porosity and brittleness have interesting relationships with production
- for ease of visualization, we work with 2 predictor features.

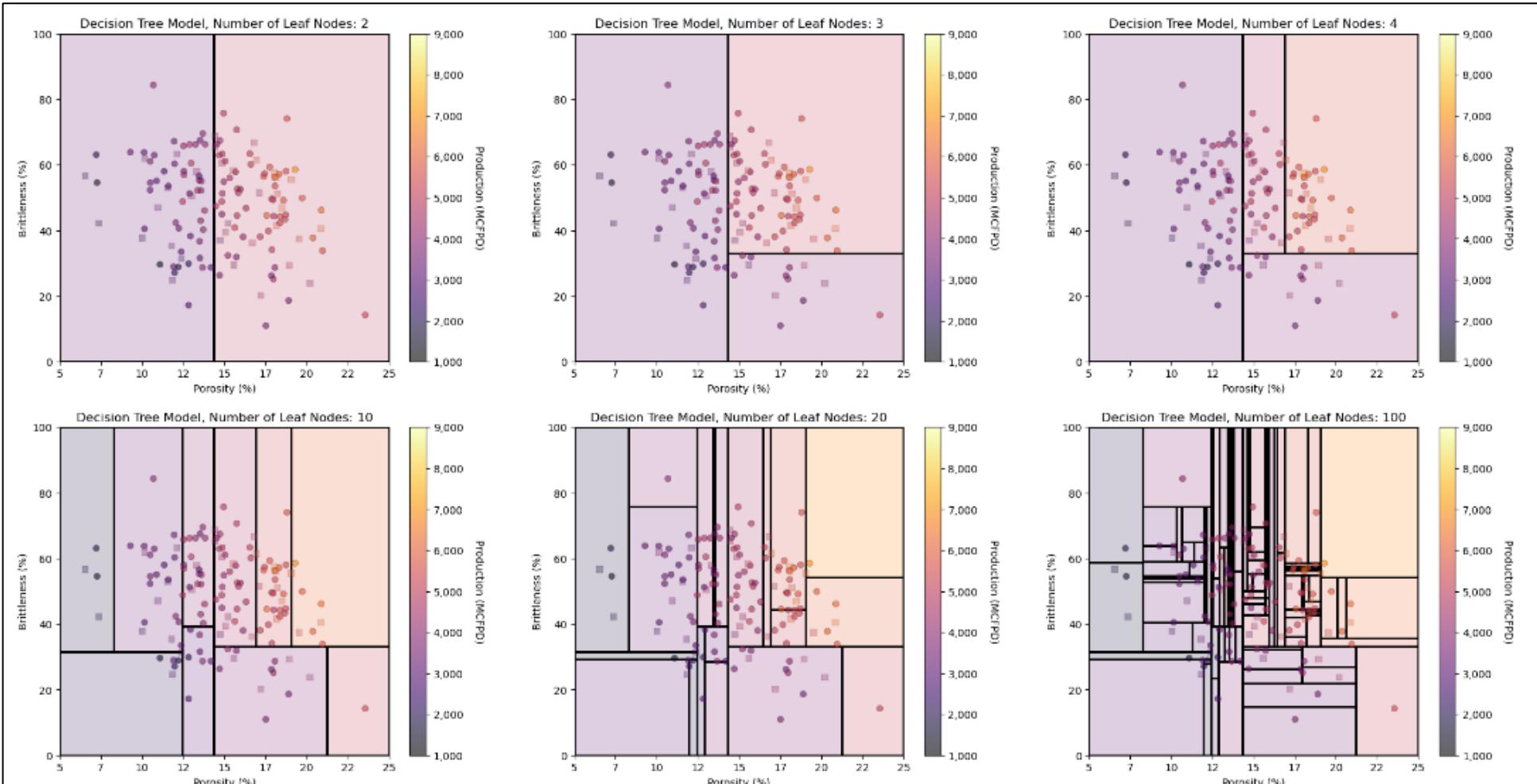
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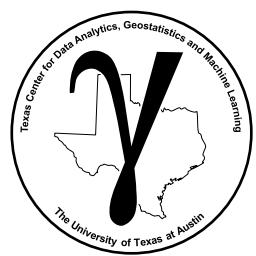




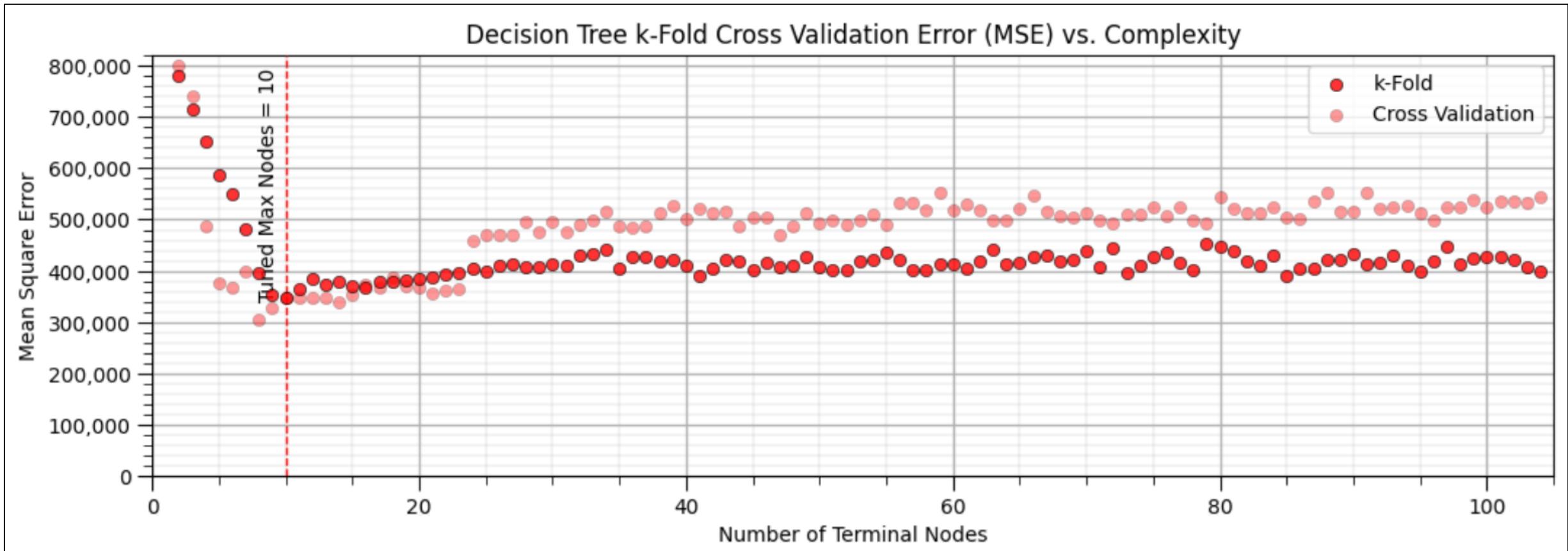
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## Simple to Complicated Decision Trees

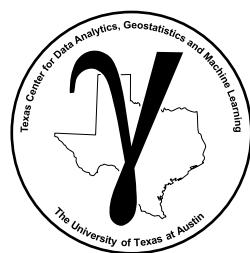




# Hyperparameter Tuning

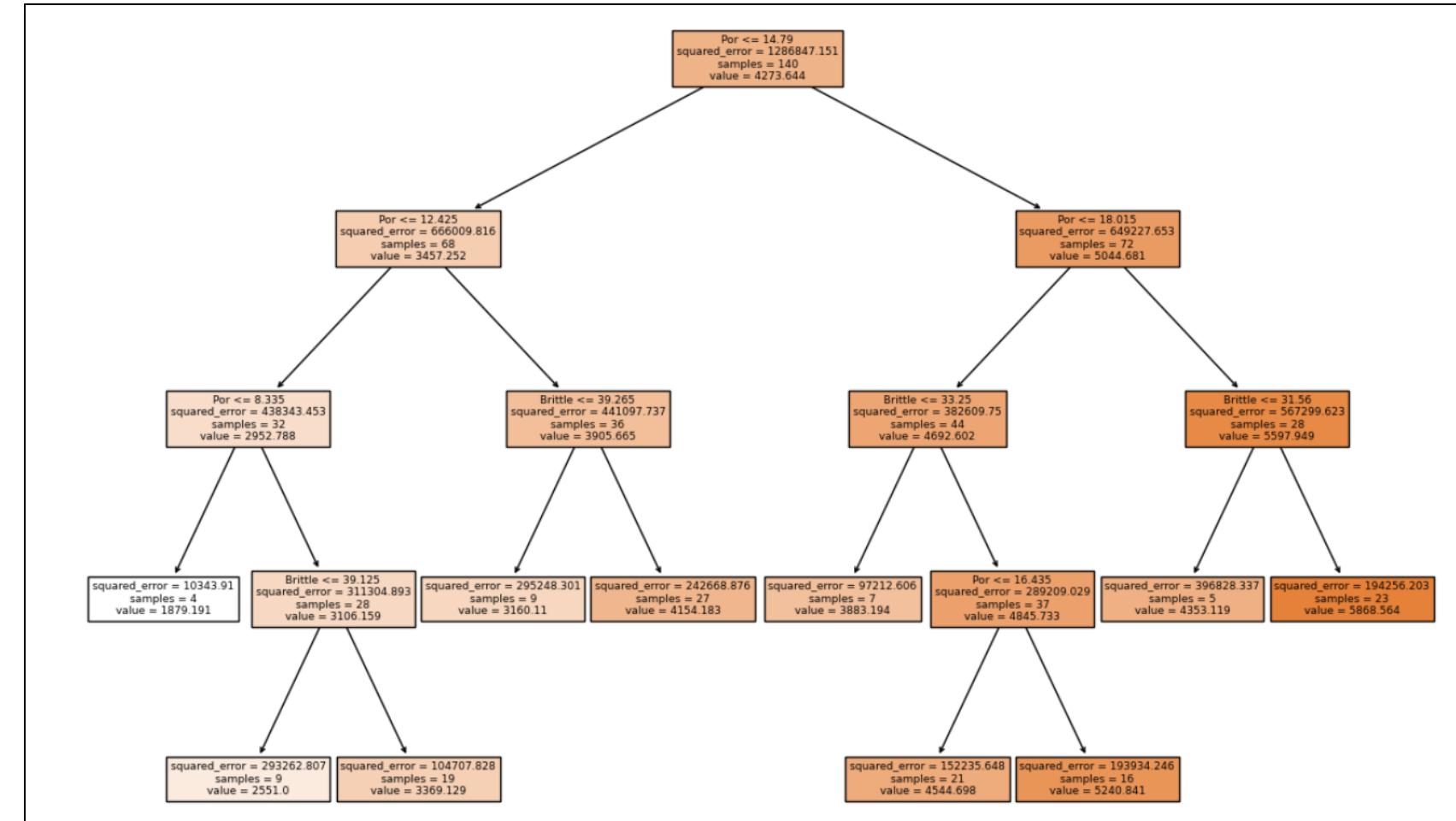


Decision tree hyperparameter tuning, simple to complicated with number of region hyperparameter, from Decision Tree chapter of Applied Machine Learning e-book.

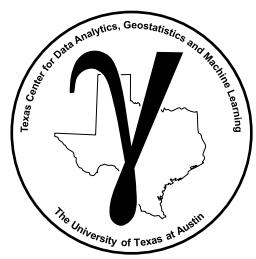


# Hyperparameter Tuning

- tuned decision tree



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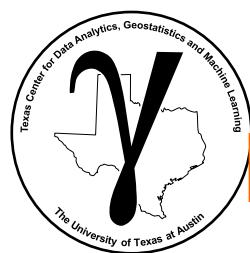


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# Decision Tree Demonstration in Python

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Decision Trees

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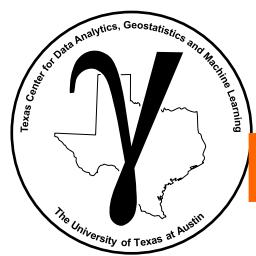
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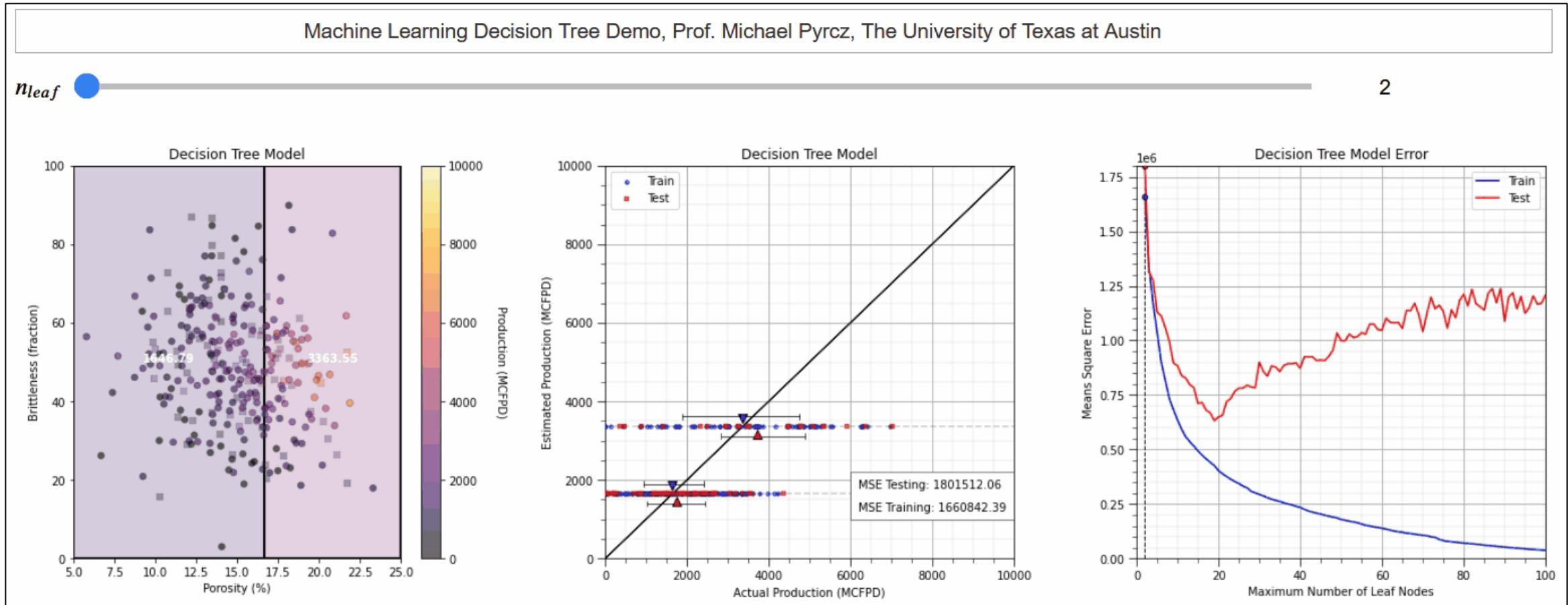
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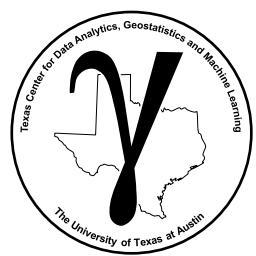


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Interactive decision tree Python dashboard, file is Interactive\_Decision\_Tree.ipynb.



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