# Introduction to Multi-Target Automated Tree Engine (MuTATE)

The goal of MuTATE is to create automated, explainable, and comprehensive models across multiple dependent variables of interest.

It provides a collection of functions to recursively partition data on binary splits across multiple targets having different dependent variable types. This overcomes single-target limitations of traditional decision trees, without loosing model interpretability, and while handling continuous, categorical, count, and survival outcome variables. This suite of functions also includes a number of parameters for model customization, dependent variable weights, parameter tuning functions, and visualization tools.

#### Installation

You can install the development version of MuTATE from GitHub with:

```
# install.packages("devtools")
devtools::install_github("SarahAyton/MuTATE")
```

Once MuTATE is installed, it can be easily loaded:

library(MuTATE)

### Set up the data

First, we can generate a data set that includes demographic and molecular predictors, as well as multiple dependent variables. Here, we explore age, gender, ethnicity, state, and biomarker predictors, and response to treatment, disease progression, and survival outcomes. We also include missing values to demonstrate how data with missing values can be prepared for modeling.

```
# Load required libraries
library(dplyr)
library(tidyr)
# Set seed for reproducibility
set.seed(123)
# Number of observations
n <- 100
# Generate predictor variables
age \leftarrow rnorm(n, mean = 50, sd = 10)
gender <- sample(c("M", "F"), n, replace = TRUE)</pre>
ethnicity <- sample(c("Asian", "Caucasian", "African American", "Hispanic"), n, replace = TRUE)
state <- sample(c("CA", "NY", "TX", "FL", "IL"), n, replace = TRUE)</pre>
biomarker1 <- sample(c("Wild Type", "Mutant"), n, replace = TRUE)</pre>
biomarker2 <- sample(c("Wild Type", "Mutant"), n, replace = TRUE)</pre>
biomarker3 <- sample(c("Wild Type", "Mutant"), n, replace = TRUE)</pre>
biomarker4 <- sample(c("Wild Type", "Mutant"), n, replace = TRUE)</pre>
biomarker5 <- sample(c("Wild Type", "Mutant"), n, replace = TRUE)</pre>
```

```
# Generate dependent variables
response <- sample(c("Yes", "No"), n, replace = TRUE)</pre>
progression \leftarrow sample(c(0, 1), n, replace = TRUE)
timetoprogression \leftarrow rnorm(n, mean = 100, sd = 20)
vitalstatus \leftarrow sample(c(0, 1), n, replace = TRUE)
overallsurvivaltime <- rnorm(n, mean = 500, sd = 100)
# Create a data frame
df <- data.frame(age, gender, ethnicity, state, biomarker1, biomarker2, biomarker3,
                biomarker4, biomarker5, response, progression, timetoprogression,
                vitalstatus, overallsurvivaltime)
# Randomly set 10% of values to NA
na_pct <- 0.1
for (col in colnames(df)) {
 n_na <- round(n * na_pct)</pre>
 rows_to_replace <- sample(1:n, n_na, replace = FALSE)</pre>
 df[rows_to_replace, col] <- NA</pre>
}
# Print first few rows of the data set
head(df)
#>
         age gender ethnicity state biomarker1 biomarker2 biomarker3 biomarker4
                                       Mutant Mutant Mutant
#> 1 44.39524
                 F Caucasian TX
                                                                       Mutant
#> 2 47.69823
                  F Caucasian
                                CA
                                       Mutant Wild Type Wild Type
                                                                        Mutant
#> 3 65.58708
                F
                       Asian IL Wild Type Mutant Mutant Wild Type
#> 4 50.70508
             <NA> Caucasian CA Mutant
                                                    <NA>
                                                             Mutant Wild Type
                F
#> 5 51.29288
                       <NA>
                                FL Wild Type Wild Type
                                                             Mutant
                                                                        Mutant
#> 6 67.15065
                 F
                                NY
                                       Mutant Wild Type
                        Asian
                                                              <NA>
                                                                        Mutant
   biomarker5 response progression timetoprogression vitalstatus
#> 1
       Mutant
                  <NA>
                              1
                                            65.46984
#> 2 Wild Type
                   Yes
                                 1
                                           112.08050
                                                               0
#> 3 Wild Type
                   Yes
                                 1
                                          100.53754
                                                               0
#> 4 Wild Type
                   <NA>
                               NA
                                           39.06067
                                                               1
#> 5
       Mutant
                    No
                                1
                                           122.15055
                                                               1
#> 6 Wild Type
                                0
                                            86.16650
                    No
#> overallsurvivaltime
#> 1
          481.2817
#> 2
               697.8184
#> 3
               364.9854
#> 4
               473.5479
#> 5
                     NA
#> 6
               443.0814
```

#### Variable formatting and missing values

Now that we have our data set, we can begin to think about which variables may serve as predictors (features) or dependent variables(outcomes) in our model. This will vary depending on the research question and depends on causality and biological plausibility. Since we pre-defined our predictors and outcomes when generating the data, we can define these as follows.

```
# Variable formatting
# Convert character variables to factors
```

```
char_vars <- sapply(df, is.character)</pre>
df[, char_vars] <- lapply(df[, char_vars], factor)</pre>
# Convert integer variables to numeric
int_vars <- sapply(df, is.integer)</pre>
df[, int_vars] <- lapply(df[, int_vars], as.numeric)</pre>
# Convert 0 or 1 variables to binary
bin_vars <- sapply(df, function(x) all(x %in% c(0, 1)))</pre>
df[, bin_vars] <- lapply(df[, bin_vars], as.logical)</pre>
# Prepare survival outcomes
library(survival)
df <- df[complete.cases(df[, c("timetoprogression", "progression",</pre>
                              "vitalstatus", "overallsurvivaltime")]), ]
temp <- coxph(Surv(timetoprogression, progression) ~ 1, data = df)</pre>
df$exp_tt_timetoprogression_progression <- predict(temp, type = 'expected')</pre>
temp <- coxph(Surv(overallsurvivaltime, vitalstatus) ~ 1, data = df)</pre>
df$exp_tt_overallsurvivaltime_vitalstatus <- predict(temp, type = 'expected')</pre>
# Feature and outcome designation
features <- c(# Demographics</pre>
             "age", "gender", "ethnicity", "state",
             # Molecular Biomarkers
             "biomarker1", "biomarker2", "biomarker3", "biomarker4", "biomarker5"
)
outcomes <- c('response', 'exp_tt_timetoprogression_progression',</pre>
              'exp_tt_overallsurvivaltime_vitalstatus')
         <- c("timetoprogression", "progression", "vitalstatus", "overallsurvivaltime")
surv
# Keep variables of interest
df <- df[,c(features, outcomes, surv)]</pre>
# Print first few rows of the data set
head(df)
#>
          age gender
                           ethnicity state biomarker1 biomarker2 biomarker3
#> 1 44.39524 F
                            Caucasian TX Mutant Mutant Mutant
                 F
#> 2 47.69823
                           Caucasian CA
                                              Mutant Wild Type Wild Type
#> 3 65.58708
                  F
                             Asian IL Wild Type Mutant
#> 6 67.15065
                  F
                              Asian NY Mutant Wild Type
Mutant Wild Type Wild Type
                                                <NA>
                                                          Mutant
#> biomarker4 biomarker5 response exp_tt_timetoprogression_progression
#> 1
        {\it Mutant} \qquad {\it Mutant}
                              <NA>
                                                              0.01562500
#> 2
        Mutant Wild Type
                                Yes
                                                              0.65966104
#> 3 Wild Type Wild Type
                                                              0.34668349
                               Yes
#> 6
        Mutant Wild Type
                                No
                                                              0.06742264
#> 7 Wild Type
                 {\it Mutant}
                                Yes
                                                              0.47293665
                               No
#> 10 Wild Type Wild Type
                                                              0.01562500
#> exp_tt_overallsurvivaltime_vitalstatus timetoprogression progression
```

```
#> 1
                                    0.30472984
                                                          65.46984
#> 2
                                    1.76683554
                                                         112.08050
                                                                              1
#> 3
                                    0.06383662
                                                         100.53754
                                                                              1
#> 6
                                    0.14286778
                                                                              0
                                                         86.16650
#> 7
                                    2.26683554
                                                         103.91419
                                                                              0
#> 10
                                    0.08201844
                                                          69.80611
                                                                              0
#>
      vitalstatus overallsurvivaltime
#> 1
                 0
                               481.2817
#> 2
                 0
                               697.8184
#> 3
                 0
                               364.9854
#> 6
                 1
                               443.0814
#> 7
                 0
                               733.2719
#> 10
                               403.3801
                 0
```

Now that all variables have been formatted and we have decided which variables are predictors and which are dependent, we can prepare the overall dataset for analysis. Here, we will filter out any variables missing observations in > 50% of patients (varprop = 0.5), and patients missing data in > 50% of the remaining variables (nprop = 0.5). Of course, there are other methods, such as multiple imputation, that can be used to address missing data which may be considered as well.

```
# Function to clean data
clean_data <- function(data, varprop = 0.5, nlevel = 10, nprop = 0.5) {</pre>
  # Remove variables with more than varprop (50%) missing data
  propmiss <- apply(data, 2, function(x) sum(is.na(x))/length(x))</pre>
  droplist <- sapply(propmiss, function(x) if (x >= varprop) TRUE else NA)
  droplist <- which(droplist)</pre>
  data1 <- if (all(!is.na(droplist)) && length(droplist)>0) data[, -droplist] else data
  rm(droplist)
  # Remove variables with only one level
  levcount <- sapply(data1, function(x) length(unique(x)))</pre>
  droplist <- sapply(levcount, function(x) if (x <= 1) TRUE else NA)</pre>
  droplist <- which(droplist)</pre>
  data2 <- if (all(!is.na(droplist)) && length(droplist)>0) data1[, -droplist] else data1
  rm(droplist)
  # Categorize variables with fewer than nlevel (10) levels as factors
  factor_cols <- which(which(sapply(data2, class) != "factor") %in% which(levcount <= nlevel))</pre>
  data3 <- data2
  data3[, factor_cols] <- lapply(data3[, factor_cols], factor)</pre>
  # Remove rows with more than nprop (50%) missing data
  propmiss <- apply(data3, 1, function(x) sum(is.na(x))/length(x))</pre>
  droplist <- sapply(propmiss, function(x) if (x > nprop) TRUE else NA)
  droplist <- which(droplist)</pre>
  data4 <- if (all(!is.na(droplist)) && length(droplist)>0) data3[-droplist, ] else data3
  return(data4)
}
# Clean the data
df_clean <- clean_data(df, varprop = 0.5, nlevel = 10, nprop = 0.5)</pre>
# Remove any variables that were dropped in data cleaning
features <- features[(features %in% colnames(df_clean))]</pre>
outcomes <- outcomes[(outcomes %in% colnames(df_clean))]</pre>
       <- surv[(surv %in% colnames(df_clean))]</pre>
```

```
# Set outcome variable types for final outcome set
outcome_defs <- c("Cat", "Surv", "Surv")</pre>
```

Note that no patients or variables were dropped in this case.

### Partition testing & training sets

Next, we partition our data into model development and validation sets using the {caret} package and a 60% / 40% data split, balancing vital status in both sets.

```
library(caret)

# Set seed for reproducibility
set.seed(123)

# Select one of your outcomes to be balanced in both sets
trainobs <- createDataPartition(df_clean$vitalstatus, p = .6, list = FALSE, times = 1)
x_train <- df_clean[ trainobs,]
x_test <- df_clean[-trainobs,]

# Development dataset
data_train <- x_train[complete.cases(x_train[,c(outcomes)]), c(outcomes,surv,features)]
rownames(data_train) <- NULL

# Validation dataset
data_test <- x_test[complete.cases(x_test[,c(outcomes)]), c(outcomes,surv,features)]
rownames(data_test) <- NULL

df_set <- rbind(data_train, data_test)
rownames(df_set) <- NULL</pre>
```

## Parameter tuning

We can jump right into modeling our data set with the outcomes and features we have specified. However, there are a number of parameters that can be determined by the user to improve model performance. To help guide parameter value selection, we use the CV\_Tune function to perform k-fold cross-validated tuning with grid search on parameters of interest.

If you explore these outputs, df\_tune contains two components: df\_tune[[1]] provides the performance estimates averaged across all folds for each set of parameter values, and df\_tune[[2]] provides the performance for each fold in each set of parameter values. Here, we will explore df\_tune[[2]] which provides more

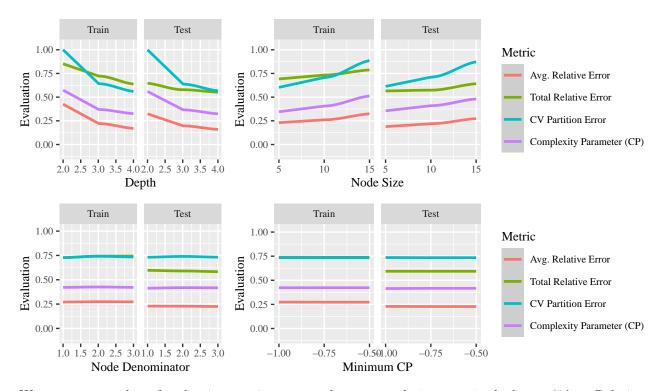
information about the range of evaluations observed.

Let's take a look at the tuning results.

```
# Convert the data to long format so that each fold is on its own row
df_tune_all <- gather(df_tune[[2]], fold, result, X1:X10, factor_key=TRUE)</pre>
# Indicate which evaluations refer to the train or test subset of each fold
df_tune_all$Set <- as.factor(ifelse(grepl("test", df_tune_all$EvalName), "Test", "Train"))</pre>
df tune all$result <- as.numeric(unlist(df tune all$result))</pre>
# Drop "_train" and "_test" from evaluation names
df_tune_all$EvalName <- sub("_train|_test", "", df_tune_all$EvalName)</pre>
# Create an object "plot" with only the evaluation metrics of interest
plot <- droplevels(df_tune_all[!(df_tune_all$EvalName %in%</pre>
                                   c("N", "RunTime", "nsplit", "leaves", "Xerror", "Xstd")),
                               c(1:ncol(df_tune_all))])
# Set evaluation name labels
plot$EvalName <- factor(plot$EvalName,</pre>
                       levels = c("AvgRelError", "TotRelError", "Eval", "CP"),
                       labels = c("Avg. Relative Error", "Total Relative Error",
                                  "CV Partition Error", "Complexity Parameter (CP)"))
# Set fold subset labels
plot$Set <- factor(plot$Set, levels = c("Train", "Test"))</pre>
# Take a look at the evaluation data set
head(plot)
      depth nodesize splitmin_div method alpha IGcutoff psplit pdepth CP
#> 3
              5
                              1 avgIG 0.05 0.95
                                                          1
                                                                 1 -1
                               1 avqIG 0.05
#> 4
         2
                 5
                                                  0.95
                                                           1
                                                                  1 -1
                               1 avqIG 0.05
#> 5
         2
                 5
                                                 0.95
                                                           1
                                                                  1 -1
       2
#> 8
                  5
                               1 avqIG 0.05
                                                 0.95
                                                           1
                                                                  1 -1
                                                 0.95
#> 13 2
                  5
                               1 avqIG 0.05
                                                           1
                                                                 1 -1
#> 14
        2
                 5
                              1 avgIG 0.05
                                                  0.95
                                                           1
                                                                  1 -1
                                         result
#>
                      EvalName fold
                                                 Set
#> 3 Complexity Parameter (CP) X1 0.600449327 Train
#> 4
          Avg. Relative Error X1 0.399550673 Train
#> 5
          Total Relative Error X1 0.799101346 Train
#> 8
            CV Partition Error X1 1.000000000 Train
#> 13 Complexity Parameter (CP) X1 0.993901113 Test
           Avg. Relative Error X1 0.003043633 Test
```

We can now generate diagnostic plots of parameter tuning results. First, lets examine the model size parameters.

Training			Paritioning Method							
Metric	Evaluation	Total	Avg. IG	Max. IG	Most IG	Avg.	Min.	Most	Split	
						P-val	P-val	P-val	Error	
									(Looka-	
									head)	
Avg. Leaf Error	Mean	0.3 (0.1)	0.3 (0.1)	0.3 (0.1)	0.3 (0.1)	0.3 (0.1)	0.3 (0.1)	0.3 (0.1)	0.3 (0.1)	<(
(Relative to Root)	(SD)									
Total Leaf Error	Mean	0.7 (0.1)	0.7 (0.1)	0.7 (0.1)	0.7 (0.1)	0.8 (0.1)	0.8 (0.1)	0.8 (0.1)	0.7 (0.1)	<(
(Relative to Root)	(SD)									
Cross-Validated	Mean	0.7 (0.3)	0.7 (0.3)	0.7 (0.3)	0.7 (0.3)	0.8 (0.2)	0.8 (0.2)	0.8 (0.2)	0.7 (0.3)	<(
Partition Error	(SD)									
Complexity	Mean	0.4 (0.2)	0.4 (0.2)	0.4 (0.2)	0.4 (0.2)	0.4 (0.1)	0.4 (0.1)	0.4 (0.1)	0.4 (0.2)	<(
Parameter (CP)	(SD)									



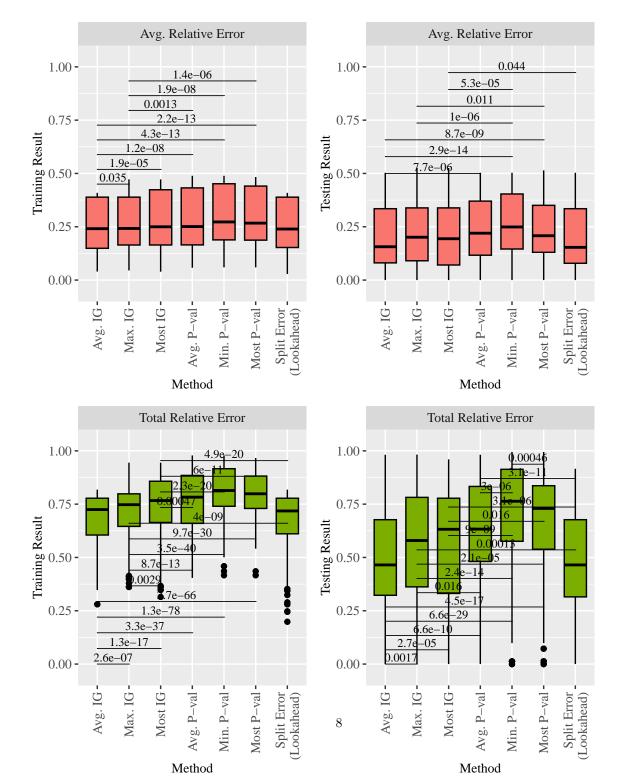
We can see a number of evaluation metrics presented: average relative error in the leaves ("Avg. Relative Error"), the total relative error across all leaves ("Total Relative Error"), cross-validated partition error calculated at the time of partitioning ("CV Partition Error" provides the cross-validated relative error from all internal node partitions), and the complexity parameter ("Complexity Parameter (CP)") which measures model improvement as partitions are added while applying a complexity penalty. Note the total and average relative error align in the training results for the node denominator and minimum CP tuning.

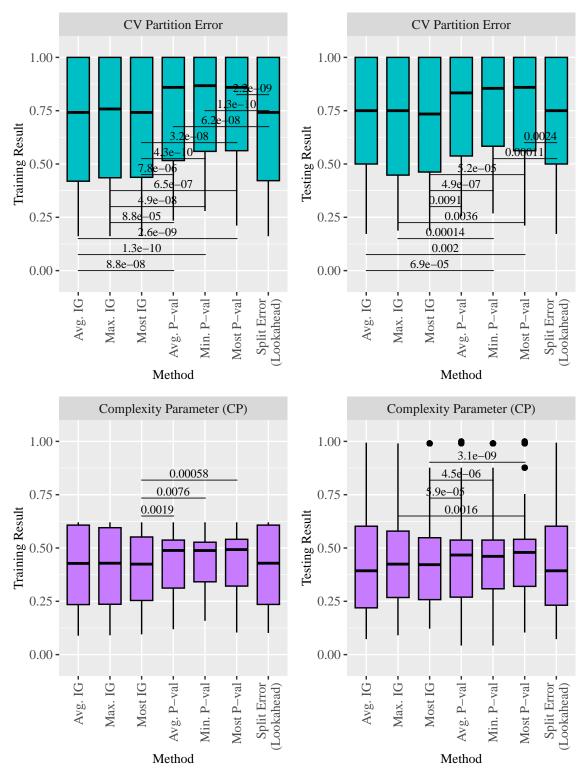
Based on these tuning results, we may consider a model depth = 4, minimum node side = 10, node denominator = 2 (minimum leaf size = 10/2), and CP = -0.50.

We can also look at the results from tuning performed on the partitioning method.

And take a closer look at pairwise comparisons between partitioning methods.

Testing			Paritioning Method							
Metric	Evaluation	Total	Avg. IG	Max. IG	Most IG	Avg.	Min.	Most	Split	
		1	1 '	'	1	P-val	P-val	P-val	Error	
		1	1 '	'	1	1	1	1	(Looka-	
	ļ	1	1 '	'	1	1	1	1	head)	
Avg. Leaf Error	Mean	0.2 (0.2)	0.2 (0.1)	0.2 (0.2)	0.2 (0.2)	0.2 (0.1)	0.3 (0.1)	0.2 (0.1)	0.2 (0.1)	<(
$(Relative\ to\ Root)$	(SD)	· '	1	'	1	1	1	1	'	
Total Leaf Error	Mean	0.6 (0.3)	0.6 (0.3)	0.6 (0.3)	0.6 (0.3)	0.7 (0.3)	0.7 (0.3)	0.7 (0.3)	0.6 (0.3)	<0
$(Relative\ to\ Root)$	(SD)	1	1 '	'	1	1	1	1	'	
Cross-Validated	Mean	0.7 (0.3)	0.7 (0.3)	0.7 (0.3)	0.7 (0.3)	0.8 (0.2)	0.8 (0.2)	0.8 (0.2)	0.7 (0.3)	<(
$Partition\ Error$	(SD)	1	1 '	'	1	1	'		'	
Complexity	Mean	0.4 (0.2)	0.4 (0.3)	0.4 (0.2)	0.4 (0.2)	0.4 (0.2)	0.4 (0.2)	0.4 (0.2)	0.4 (0.3)	<(
Parameter (CP)	(SD)	·	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	'	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	1	<u> </u>	





From the parameter tuning, we see that both Avg. IG and SplitError partitioning perform the best across metrics, although Avg. IG performs slightly better in the average and total relative error results. Based on this we will select Avg. IG as our partitioning method in the trained model.

### Training the model

Now that we have performed parameter tuning, we can apply the selected parameter values when we construct our decision tree model.

```
df_model_train <- MTPart(features, outcomes, outcome_defs, data_train,</pre>
                          evalmethod = "avgIG", alpha = 0.05, IGcutoff = 0.95,
                          depth=4, nodesize=10, cp=-0.5, splitmin=floor(nodesize/2))
attributes(df_model_train)
#> $names
#> [1] "partitions" "tree nodes"
# We can see the partitions object
head(df_model_train$partitions)
      parent child
#>
#> 1
        <NA>
                  1
#> NA
           1
                  2
                  3
#> 3
           1
#> 4
           2
               4 *
           2
#> 5
               5 *
#> 6
                  6
# Let's take a look at the tree node object
attributes(df_model_train$tree_nodes[[1]])
#> $names
                                                       "N"
    [1] "NodeID"
                    "SplitVar" "Var"
                                           "Thresh"
                                                                  "Pnode"
   [7] "Targets"
                    "relerr"
                                "Part Var"
                                           "CP"
                                                       "CVeval"
                                                                  "SXerror"
#> [13] "SXstd"
                    "Eval"
```

The "partitions" object is a table of partitions presenting the parent and child node IDs. Note that \* is used to indicate a terminal or leaf node.

The "tree\_nodes" object includes information on the node name, the parent partition, variable name, and threshold that gave rise to that node (for the root node these values are "Root"), the sample size of the node, proportion of the sample represented, node relative error, the partition variable selected for any future partitions, among other evaluation metrics. We can also see there is an "Eval" object.

```
head(df_model_train$tree_nodes[[1]]$Eval)
                           Split exp tt overallsurvivaltime vitalstatus
#> 1 age age < 43.7496073215074
                                                              -0.5736613
#> 2 age age < 45.0896883394346
                                                              -0.5640063
#> 3 age age < 46.1952899898762
                                                              -0.5220496
#> 4 age age < 47.0492851700773
                                                              -0.4450880
#> 5 age age < 47.920827219804
                                                              -0.3941051
#> 6 age age < 48.6110863756096
                                                              -0.2814336
#>
     exp\_tt\_timetoprogression\_progression response
                                                            AvqIG
                                                                      MaxIG MostIG
#> 1
                                -0.7031601 0.5497598 -0.24235388 0.5497598
                                                                                  0
#> 2
                                -0.6887785
                                                                                 NA
                                                  NA -0.62639240
                                                                         NA
#> 3
                                -0.6597246
                                                  NA -0.59088708
                                                                         NA
                                                                                 NA
#> 4
                                -0.6340058
                                                  NA -0.53954690
                                                                         NA
                                                                                 NA
#> 5
                                -0.6842230
                                                  NA -0.53916405
                                                                                 NA
#> 6
                                -0.7007151 0.8036323 -0.05950543 0.8036323
                                                                                  0
       AvqPVal
                 MinPVal MostPVal AugMostPVal InvMinPVal WtMinPval Rank
#> 1 0.5957470 0.2912421
                                     0.5497598
                                                0.4502402
                                                                   0
                                                                       13
                                 0
#> 2 0.7344712
                                NA
                                           NaN
                                                       NaN
                                                                  NA
                                                                       28
```

```
#> 3 0.7227020
                       NA
                                 NA
                                             NaN
                                                         NaN
                                                                     NA
                                                                          24
#> 4 0.7052452
                       NA
                                 NA
                                                                     NA
                                                                          22
                                             NaN
                                                         NaN
#> 5 0.7051132
                       NA
                                 NA
                                             NaN
                                                                     NA
                                                                          21
                                                         NaN
#> 6 0.5237252 0.2108047
                                  0
                                                                      0
                                                                          10
                                       0.8036323
                                                  0.1963677
```

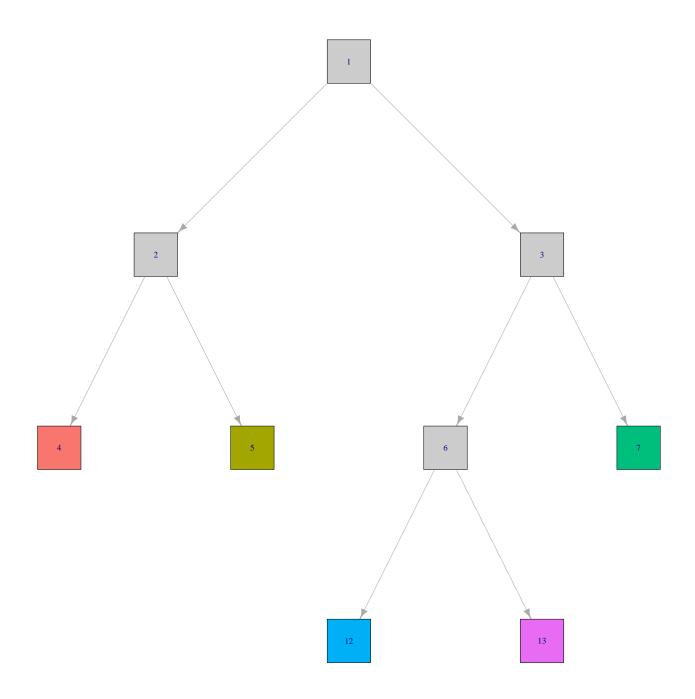
This includes the evaluation performed on all potential partitions across outcomes, including the performance on each outcome, and the overall metric (defined by the partitioning method).

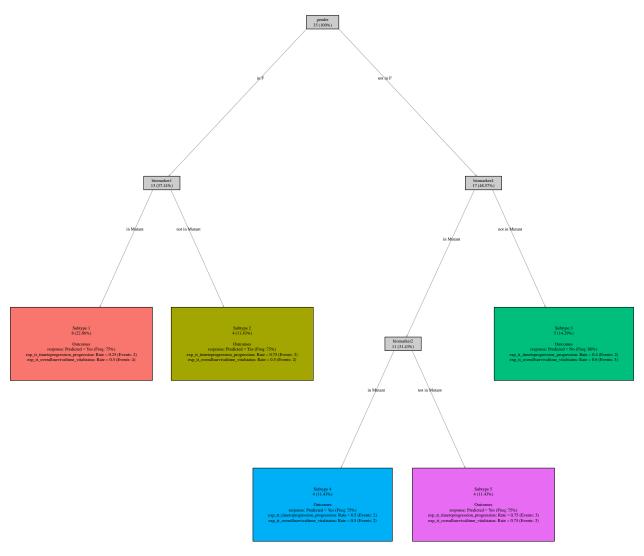
We can also obtain a summary of the model using the following.

```
df_train_summary <- MTPartSummary(df_model_train)</pre>
df_train_summary$node_data
                                                                 CP
     parent node
                                 Partition N
                                                   Pnode
                                                                       relerr SXerror
#> 1
          0
                                      Root 35 1.0000000 0.5943635 1.0000000
                                                                                     1
               1
               2
#> 2
                               gender in F 13 0.3714286 0.5815473 1.0297887
          1
                                                                                     1
#> 3
               3
                           gender not in F 17 0.4857143 0.5036874 0.8827824
                                                                                     1
          1
#> 4
          2
               4
                      biomarker1 in Mutant 8 0.2285714
                                                                 NA 1.0540504
                                                                                    NA
          2
               5 biomarker1 not in Mutant 4 0.1142857
                                                                                    NA
#> 5
                                                                 NA 0.8054684
#> 6
          3
               6
                      biomarker4 in Mutant 11 0.3142857 0.4786249 0.7499811
                                                                                     1
#> 7
          3
               7 biomarker4 not in Mutant 5 0.1428571
                                                                 NA 0.9278875
                                                                                    NA
                                            4 0.1142857
#> 8
          6
              12
                      biomarker2 in Mutant
                                                                 NA 0.9307168
                                                                                    NA
#> 9
          6
              13 biomarker2 not in Mutant 4 0.1142857
                                                                 NA 0.5617421
                                                                                    NA
     nsplit leaves
#>
#> 1
          0
                  1
#> 2
          1
                  2
#> 3
                 2
          1
#> 4
          2
                 3
#> 5
          2
                 3
          3
#> 6
                 4
          3
#> 7
                 4
#> 8
                 5
          4
                  5
#> 9
          4
df_train_summary$summary_table
     nsplit leaves
                           CP AugRelError TotRelError
                                                           Xerror Xstd
                                                                            Eval
                  1 0.5943635
                                             1.0000000 1.0000000
                                                                     0 1.0000000
#> 1
          0
                                1.0000000
#> 2
          1
                 2 0.5943635
                                0.4056365
                                             0.8112730 1.0000000
                                                                     0 1.0000000
#> 3
          2
                 3 0.4051834
                                0.2539198
                                             0.7617594 0.6857143
                                                                     0 0.6857143
#> 4
          3
                  4 0.2303257
                                0.1753108
                                             0.7012430 0.4285714
                                                                     0 0.4285714
                                0.1272203
                                             0.6361014 0.3904762
#> 5
                  5 0.2036921
                                                                     0 0.3904762
```

And we can create a simple plot of the tree to better visualize the model.

```
PlotTree(df_model_train)
```





We have just generated a node ID tree, which gives a structural overview, and an annotated tree which includes the variables used for partitioning, the partitioning threshold, subtypes (leaf nodes), as well as the esimated values for outcomes in each subtype.

### Test the model

We can now apply this model to our test data, and take a look at how the model performs.

```
df_model_test <- MTTest(df_model_train, features, outcomes, outcome_defs, data_test)</pre>
df_test_summary <- MTPartSummary(df_model_test)</pre>
df_test_summary$node_data
#>
     parent node
                                 Partition N
                                                    Pnode
                                                                     CP
                                                                           relerr
                                      Root 23 1.00000000 -0.004251044 1.0000000
#> 1
          0
               1
#> 2
          1
               2
                               gender in F 9 0.39130435
                                                           0.205984830 1.0604536
               3
                           gender not in F 14 0.60869565
#> 3
          1
                                                           0.069269904 0.9480485
          2
               4
                      biomarker1 in Mutant
                                           4 0.17391304
#> 4
                                                                     NA 1.0468251
          2
#> 5
               5 biomarker1 not in Mutant
                                            2 0.08695652
                                                                     NA 0.6621125
          3
#> 6
               6
                      biomarker4 in Mutant
                                            7 0.30434783
                                                           0.330019624 0.8872324
#> 7
               7 biomarker4 not in Mutant 4 0.17391304
                                                                     NA 0.8703248
```

```
#> 8 6 12 biomarker2 in Mutant 3 0.13043478
                                                            NA 0.2619092
#> 9
         6 13 biomarker2 not in Mutant 4 0.17391304
                                                            NA 0.8525163
#> SXerror nsplit leaves
#> 1
                0
        1
#> 2
         1
                1
#> 3
         1
                1
                       2
#> 4
        NA
                2
                       3
        NA
                2
#> 5
#> 6
                3
        1
                       4
#> 7
                3
         NA
                       4
#> 8
         NA
                       5
#> 9
         NA
df_test_summary$summary_table
#> nsplit leaves
                          CP AugRelError TotRelError
                                                      Xerror Xstd
                                                                      Eval
#> 1
         0
               1 -0.004251044 1.0000000
                                          1.0000000 1.0000000
                                                             0 1.0000000
                                          0.9920331 1.0000000
#> 2
               2 -0.004251044 0.4960165
                                                               0 1.0000000
         1
#> 3
         2
               3 0.038175858 0.2722348
                                          0.8167045 0.6956522
                                                               0 0.6956522
               4 0.061383524
#> 4
         3
                               0.1652549
                                          0.6610196 0.5000000
                                                              0 0.5000000
#> 5
               5 0.074402601
                               0.1146836
                                          0.5734181 0.4347826
                                                               0 0.4347826
```

Lastly, we can make a plot of the test model.

PlotTree(df\_model\_test)

