

## 23) The Basics of Decision Trees

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Tables, Graphics, and Figures from  
**An Introduction to Statistical Learning**

James et al. (2017): Chapters: 8.1, 8.3.1, and  
8.3.2

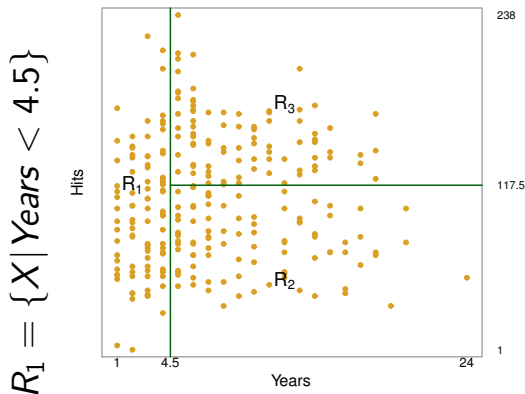
# Hitters Data



$$e^{5.11} \cong \$165K, e^6 \cong \$402K, e^{6.74} \cong \$845K$$

# Three-Region Partition

$$R_3 = \{X \mid \text{Years} \geq 4.5, \text{Hits} \geq 117.5\}$$



$$R_2 = \{X \mid \text{Years} \geq 4.5, \text{Hits} < 117.5\}$$

# Top-down Greedy (Recursive Binary Splitting)

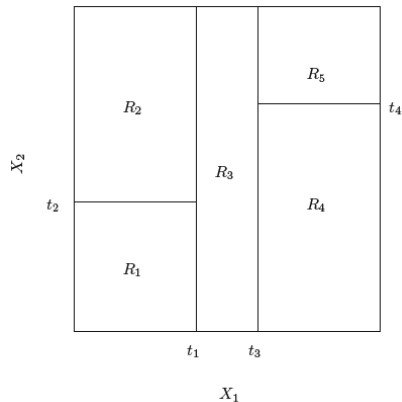
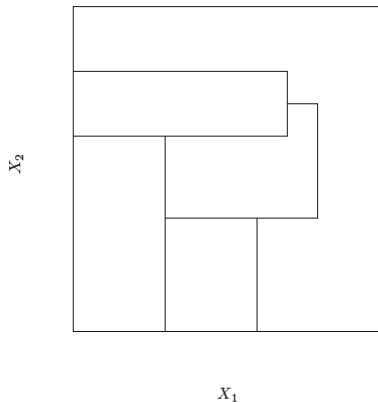
$$\sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i \in R_j} (y_i - \hat{y}_{R_j})^2$$

$$R_1(j, s) = \{X | X_j < s\}$$

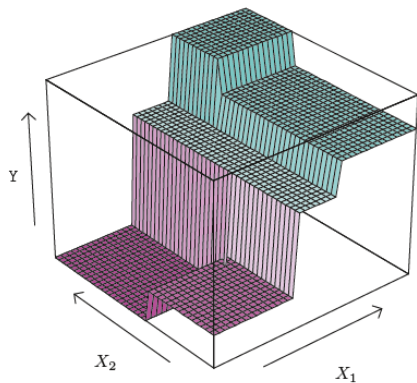
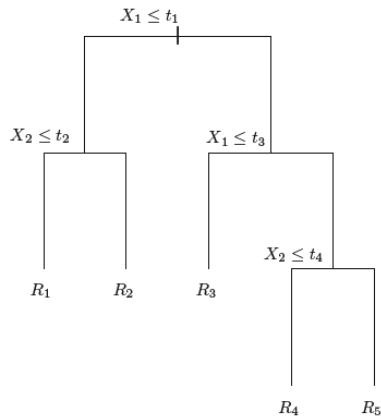
$$R_2(j, s) = \{X | X_j \geq s\}$$

$$\sum_{i: X_i \in R_1(j, s)} (y_i - \hat{y}_{R_1})^2 + \sum_{i: X_i \in R_2(j, s)} (y_i - \hat{y}_{R_2})^2$$

# No Recursive Binary Splitting vs Recursive Binary Splitting



# Tree and Perspective Plot



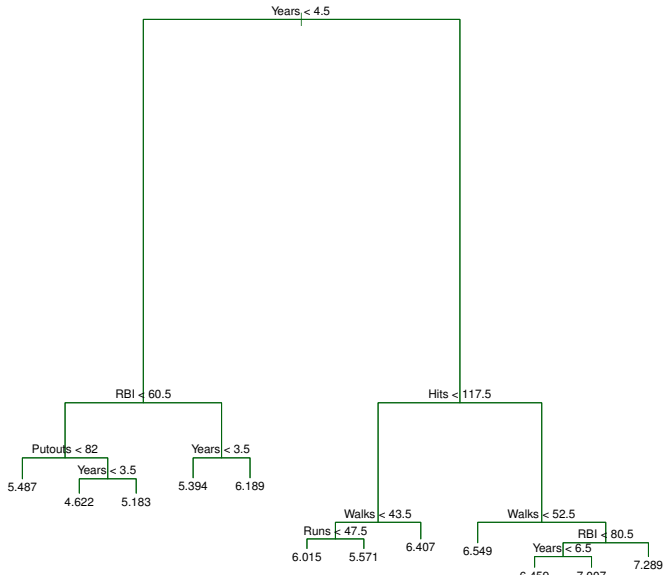
# Cost Complexity Pruning (Weakest Link Pruning)

$$\sum_{m=1}^{|T|} \sum_{x_i \in R_m} (y_i - \hat{y}_{R_m})^2 + \alpha |T|$$

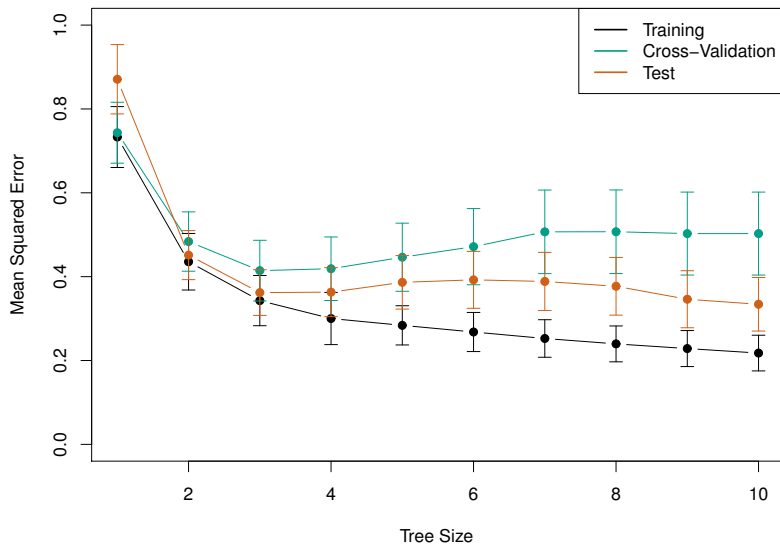
$|T| = \#$  of terminal nodes of the tree



# Unpruned Tree (Top-down Greedy Splitting)



# Six-Fold Cross-Validation for Pruning Tree



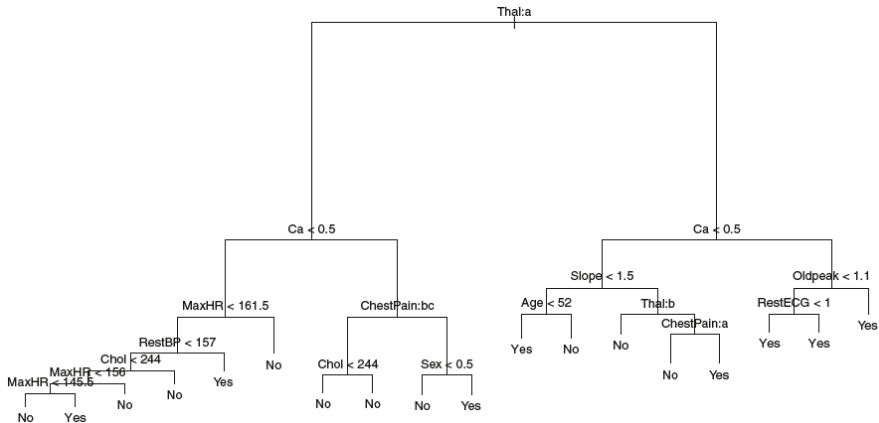
# Training Error Rate, Gini Index, and Entropy

$$E = 1 - \max_k (\hat{p}_{mk})$$

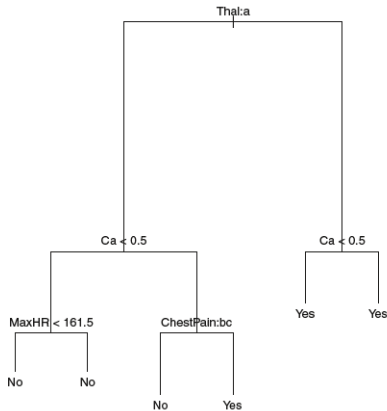
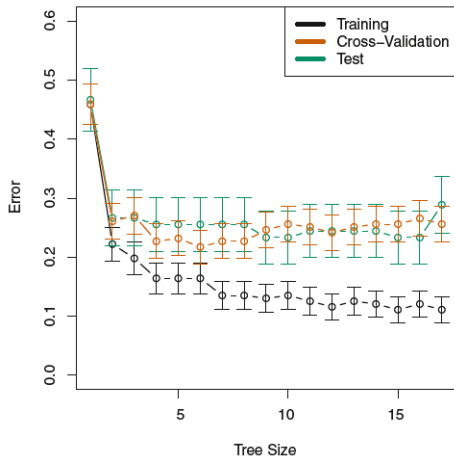
$$G = \sum_{k=1}^K \hat{p}_{mk}(1 - \hat{p}_{mk})$$

$$D = - \sum_{k=1}^K \hat{p}_{mk} \log \hat{p}_{mk}$$

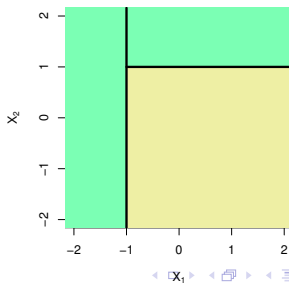
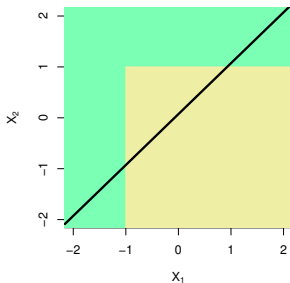
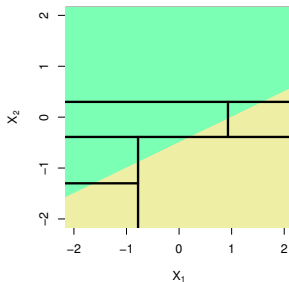
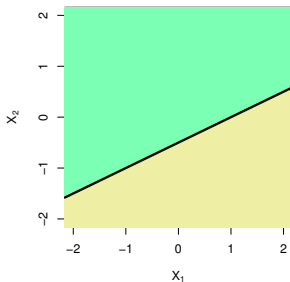
## Heart Data: Unpruned Tree



# Pruned Tree (Minimal Cross-Validation Error)



# Linear vs Non-linear True Decision Boundary



# library(ISLR); library(stargazer); stargazer(Carseats)

Statistic	N	Mean	St. Dev.	Min	Max
Sales	400	7.496	2.824	0.000	16.270
CompPrice	400	124.975	15.335	77	175
Income	400	68.657	27.986	21	120
Advertising	400	6.635	6.650	0	29
Population	400	264.840	147.376	10	509
Price	400	115.795	23.677	24	191
Age	400	53.322	16.200	25	80
Education	400	13.900	2.621	10	18

```
library(tree); High=ifelse(Sales<=8,"No","Yes")
```

```
Carseats=data.frame(Carseats,High)
```

```
tree.carseats=tree(High~.-Sales,Carseats);
```

```
summary(tree.carseats)
```

Classification tree:

```
tree(formula = High ~ . - Sales, data = Carseats)
```

Variables actually used in tree construction:

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[1] "ShelveLoc" "Price" "Income" "CompPrice"  
[5] "Population" "Advertising" "Age" "US"
```

Number of terminal nodes: 27

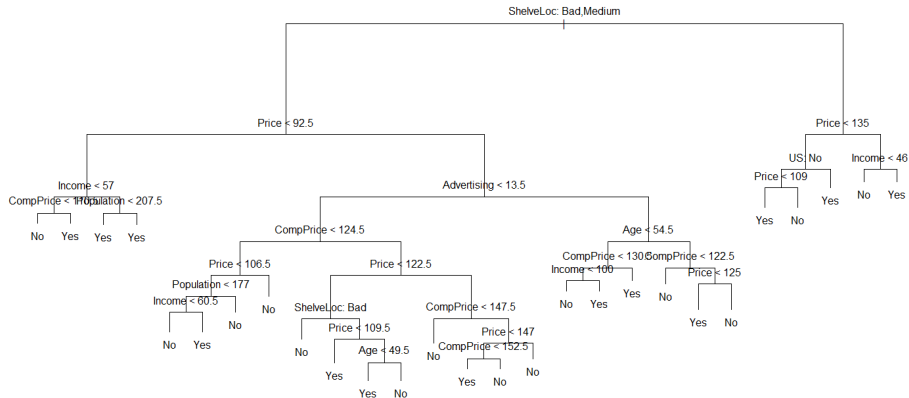
Residual mean deviance: 0.4575 = 170.7 / 373

Misclassification error rate: 0.09 = 36 / 400

$$\frac{-2 \sum_k \sum_m n_{mk} \log \hat{p}_{mk}}{n - |T_0|} = \frac{170.7}{400 - 27} = 0.45$$



# plot(tree.carseats); text(tree.carseats,pretty=0)



node), split, n, deviance, yval, (yprob)

\* denotes terminal node

- 1) root 400 541.500 No ( 0.59000 0.41000 )
  - 2) ShelfLoc: Bad,Medium 315 390.600 No ( 0.68889 0.31111 )
    - 4) Price < 92.5 46 56.530 Yes ( 0.30435 0.69565 )
      - 8) Income < 57 10 12.220 No ( 0.70000 0.30000 )
        - 16) CompPrice < 110.5 5 0.000 No ( 1.00000 0.00000 ) \*
        - 17) CompPrice > 110.5 5 6.730 Yes ( 0.40000 0.60000 ) \*
      - 9) Income > 57 36 35.470 Yes ( 0.19444 0.80556 )
        - 18) Population < 207.5 16 21.170 Yes ( 0.37500 0.62500 ) \*
        - 19) Population > 207.5 20 7.941 Yes ( 0.05000 0.95000 ) \*
    - 5) Price > 92.5 269 299.800 No ( 0.75465 0.24535 )
      - 10) Advertising < 13.5 224 213.200 No ( 0.81696 0.18304 )
        - 20) CompPrice < 124.5 96 44.890 No ( 0.93750 0.06250 )
          - 40) Price < 106.5 38 33.150 No ( 0.84211 0.15789 )
            - 80) Population < 177 12 16.300 No ( 0.58333 0.41667 )
              - 160) Income < 60.5 6 0.000 No ( 1.00000 0.00000 ) \*
              - 161) Income > 60.5 6 5.407 Yes ( 0.16667 0.83333 ) \*
            - 81) Population > 177 26 8.477 No ( 0.96154 0.03846 ) \*
          - 41) Price > 106.5 58 0.000 No ( 1.00000 0.00000 ) \*

```
set.seed(2); train=sample(1:nrow(Carseats), 200)
```

```
Carseats.test=Carseats[-train,]
```

```
High.test=High[-train]
```

```
tree.carseats=tree(High~.-Sales,Carseats,subset=train)
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```
tree.pred=predict(tree.carseats,Carseats.test,type="class")
```

```
table(tree.pred,High.test)
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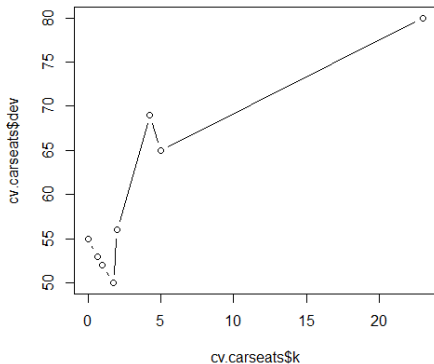
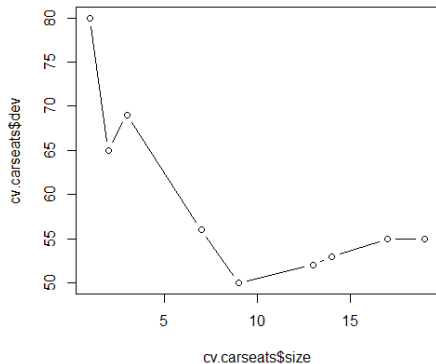
	High.test	
tree.pred	No	Yes
No	86	27
Yes	30	57

$$\frac{86+57}{200} = 71.5\%$$

```
set.seed(3); cv.carseats=cv.tree(tree.carseats,  
FUN=prune.misclass); par(mfrow=c(1,2))
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```
plot(cv.carseats$size,cv.carseats$dev,type="b")
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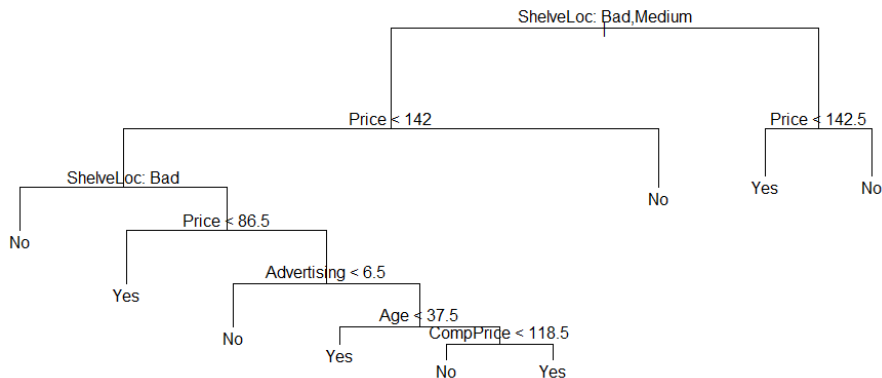
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plot(cv.carseats$k,cv.carseats$dev,type="b")
```



```
prune.carseats=prune.misclass(tree.carseats,best=9)
```

```
plot(prune.carseats)
```

```
text(prune.carseats,pretty=0)
```



```
tree.pred=predict(prune.carseats,  
Carseats.test,type="class")
```

```
table(tree.pred,High.test)
```

	High.test	
tree.pred	No	Yes
No	94	24
Yes	22	60

$$\frac{94+60}{200} = 77\%$$

```
prune.carseats=prune.misclass(tree.carseats,best=15)
```

```
tree.pred=predict(prune.carseats,  
Carseats.test,type="class")
```

```
table(tree.pred,High.test)
```

	High.test	
tree.pred	No	Yes
No	86	22
Yes	30	62

$$\frac{86+62}{200} = 74\%$$