# Big Data Management

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## Learning objectives

- After this lecture you should...
  - ...understand how a decision tree for classification works
  - ...understand how a decision tree for regression works
  - ...understand how to acquire the data for your final project



## Agenda

Decision tree for classification

Decision tree for regression

Various useful data sources



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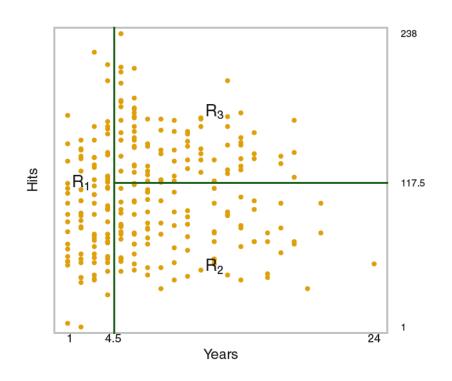
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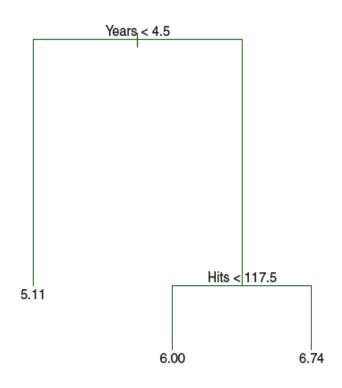


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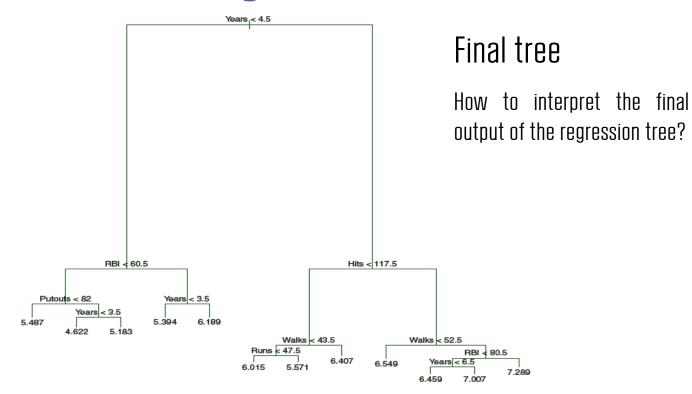
Roughly speaking, there are two steps of building a regression tree:

- 1. We divide the predictor into J distinct and non-overlapping regions,  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$ ,..., $R_J$  by *recursive binary splitting*
- 2. For every observation that falls into Region  $R_J$  we make the same prediction, which is simply the mean of the response values for the training observations in  $R_J$

The main goal is to minimize the RSS:  $\sum \sum (y_i - \hat{y}_{R_j})^2$ 

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







#### Advantages:

- It is easy to interpret and easy to explain to people
- Some people believe that decision trees more closely mirror human decision-making
- Has a nice graphical representation
- Perform well if the underlying data generating process is complex and highly non-linear
- Disadvantages
  - Overfitting (if not pruned) and hence poor performance on the test data
  - Oversimplification



#### **Decision tree for classification**

- Classification trees are very similar to regression trees
- Instead of predicting a quantitative response we predict a qualitative response
- Instead of minimizing the RSS we want to minimize
  - The classification error rate
  - The Gini index
  - The entropy
- Here,  $\hat{p}_{mk}$  presents the proportion of training observations in the mth region that are from the kth class

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

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

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

### **Decision tree for classification**

# Small example

ID	Α	В	С	Classification
1	Т	Т	Т	F
2	Т	T	Т	Т
3	Т	F	F	F
4	F	Т	Т	Т
5	F	F	Т	Т



#### **Decision tree for classification**

1. Entropy before first split:

$$H(T) = -\frac{3}{5} * log_2\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) - \frac{2}{5} * log_2\left(\frac{2}{5}\right) = 0.971$$

2. The conditional entropy of split 1 at A:

$$H(T|A) = \frac{3}{5} * \left( -\frac{1}{3} * log_2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) - \frac{2}{3} * log_2\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \right) + \frac{2}{5} * \left( -1 * log_2(1) \right) = 0.551$$

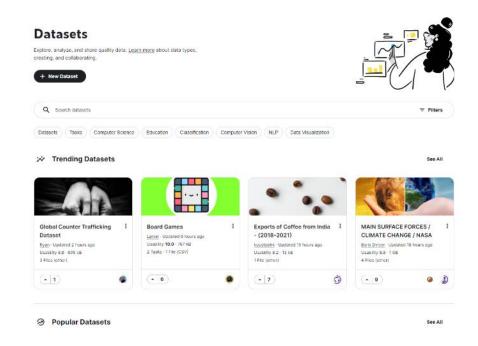
3. Calculate information gain:

$$IG(T, A) = H(T) - H(T|A) = 0.42$$

4. Repeat these steps for all candidate splits and pick the one with the highest information gain

#### Various useful data sources

- www.kaggle.com
- Online community for data scientists
- All kind of data sets, covering various topics





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#### Survey data - examples

- German Socio Economic Panel (GSOEP)
- British Household Panel Survey (BHPS)
- Panel Study of Income Dynamics (PSID)
- Household, Income and Labor Dynamics (HILDA)
- Korean Labor and Income Panel Study (KLIPS)
- Russian Longitudinal Monitoring Survey (RLMS)
- Swiss Household Panel (SHP)
- ...and many more...



#### Various useful data sources

#### Public data/Census data/official statistics

- <a href="https://www.dst.dk/en">https://www.dst.dk/en</a> (Denmark)
- <a href="https://www.census.gov/">https://www.census.gov/</a> (USA)
- <a href="https://www.usa.gov/statistics">https://www.usa.gov/statistics</a> (USA)
- https://www.destatis.de/EN/Home/\_node.html
  (Germany)
- https://www.ons.gov.uk/census (UK)
- https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/data/database (EU)



#### Literature

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