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Decision Trees

Given the following data, build a decision tree with three leaves.

x	y
0	4
1	5
2	6
4	100

Use MSE as the measure of quality in the nodes. That means, we have an impurity

$$H(R) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i} (y^{(i)} - y_*)^2.$$

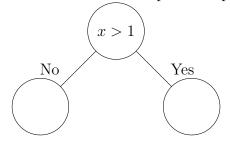
We proved that the minimum is given by $y_* = \bar{y}$. The quality of the split is given by

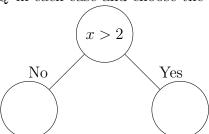
$$Q = H(R) - \frac{|R_l|}{|R|}H(R_l) - \frac{|R_r|}{|R|}H(R_r) \to max.$$

or

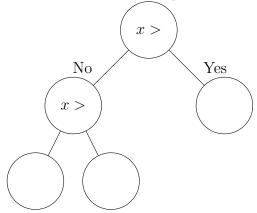
$$\tilde{Q} = \frac{|R_l|}{|R|} H(R_l) + \frac{|R_r|}{|R|} H(R_r) \to \min.$$

Problem 1. Given two possible splits calculate the impurity \tilde{Q} in each case and choose the best split.





Problem 2. For the best split in Problem 1 build the tree with three leaves based on the impurity.



Problem 4. Construct a decision stamp for the following data

\underline{x}	y
0.7	1
0.6	-1
0.7	-1
0.2	1
0.4	-1

Use Gini criterion for the impurity (instead of the entropy). Make a prediction y for x = 0.5.