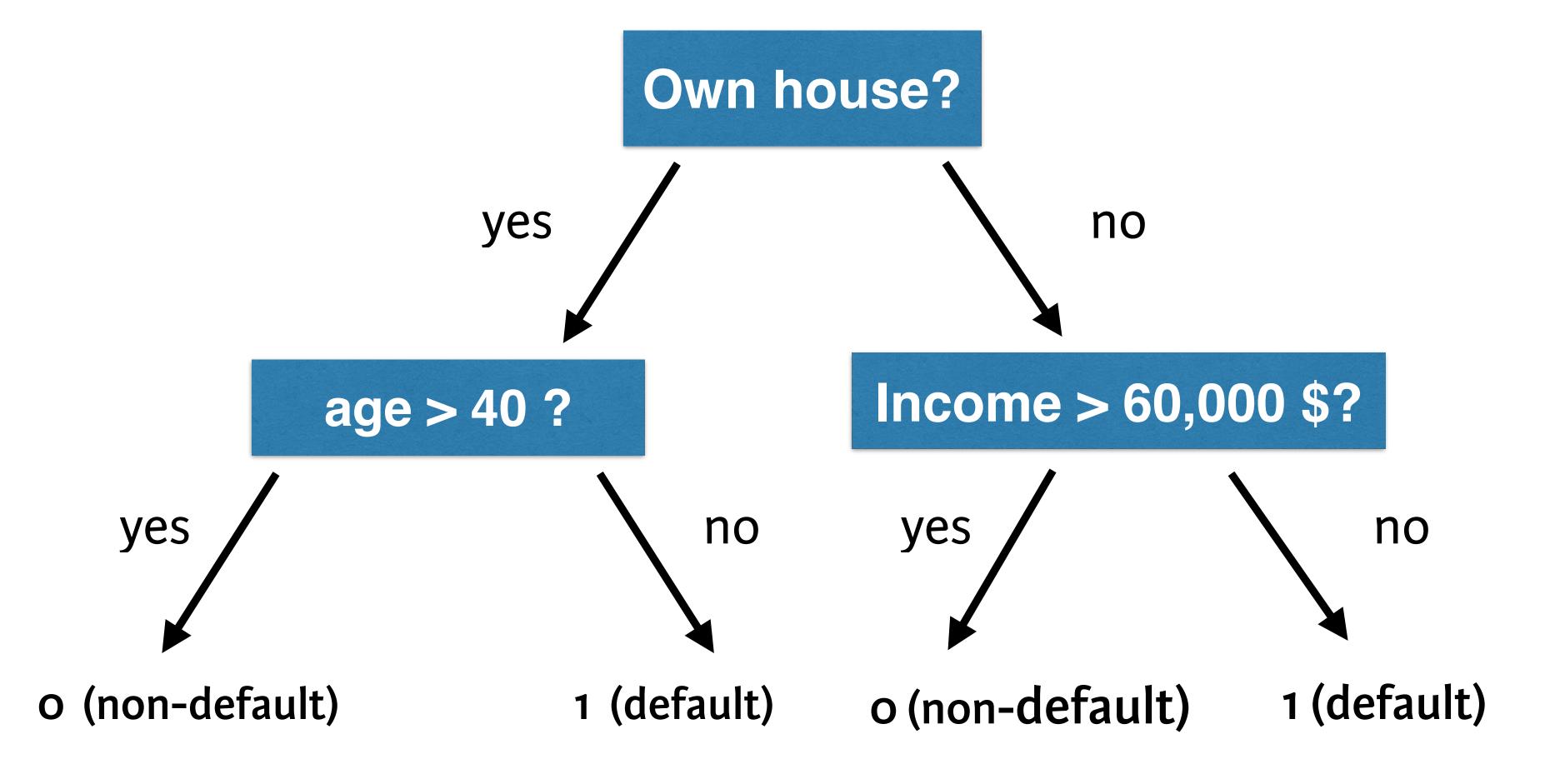




What is a decision tree?

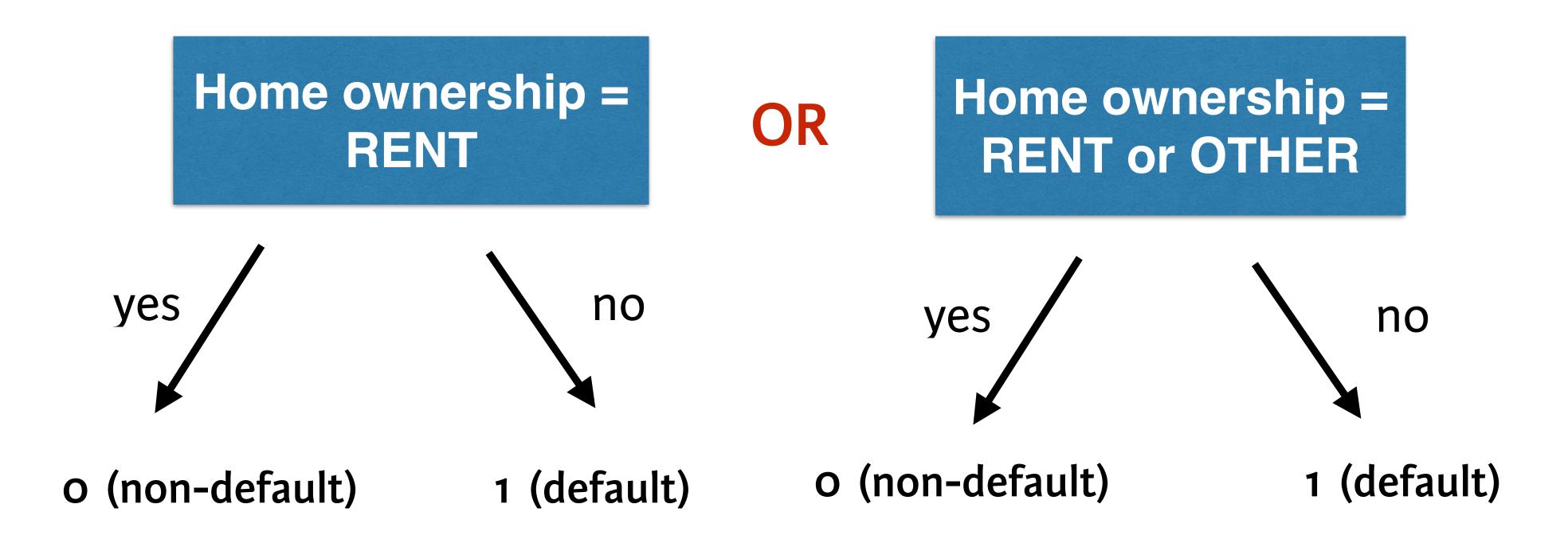


Decision tree example



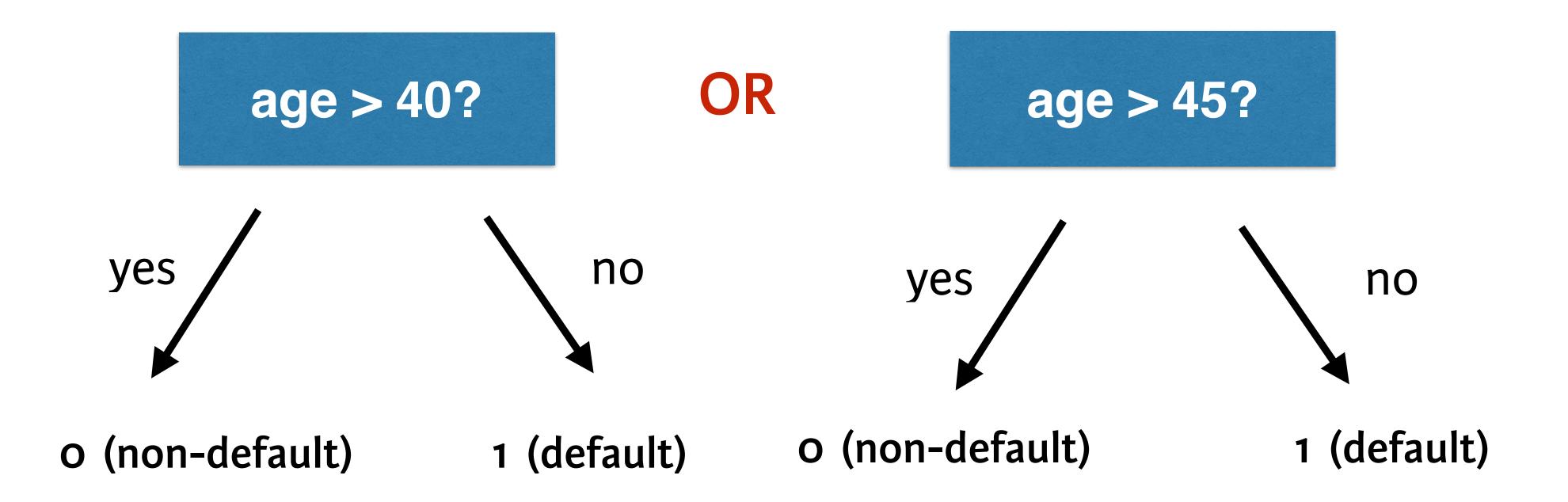


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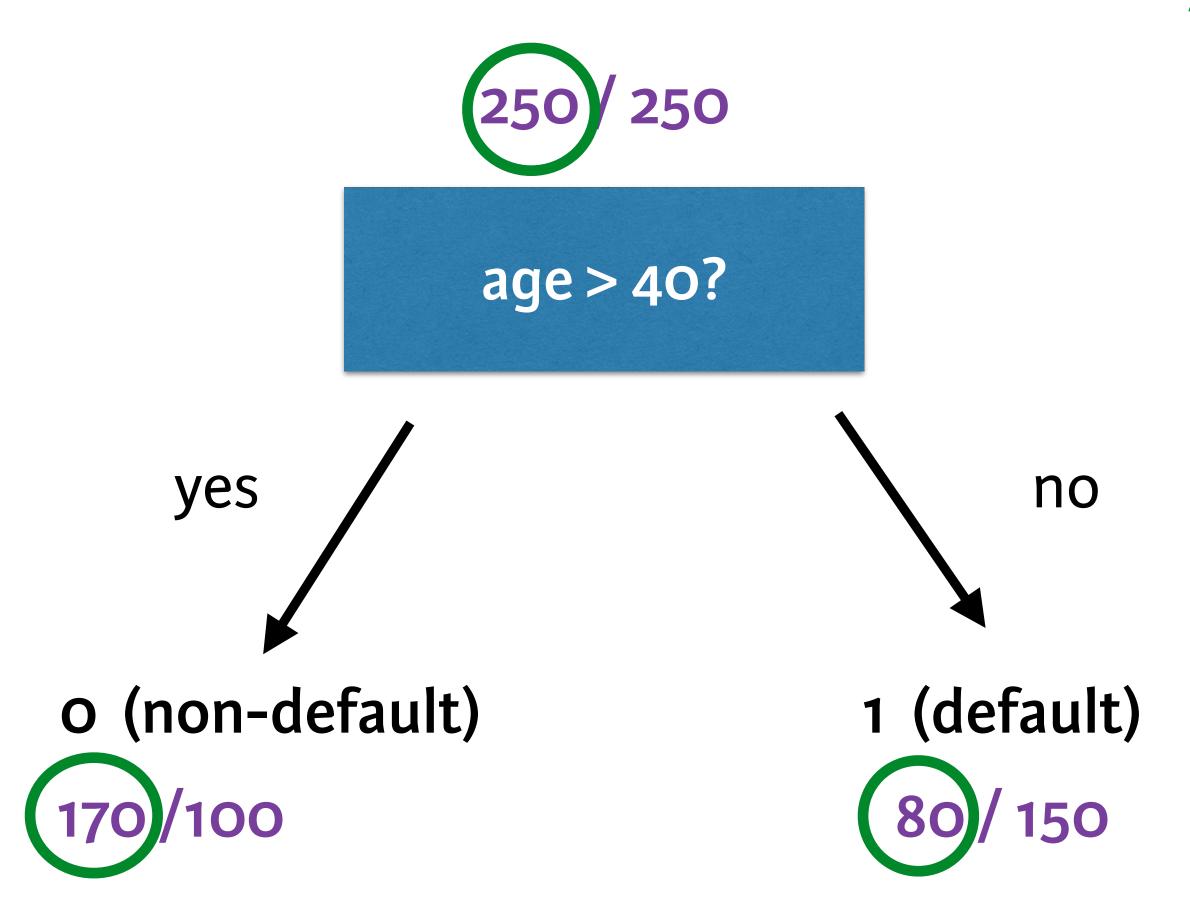




How to make splitting decision?

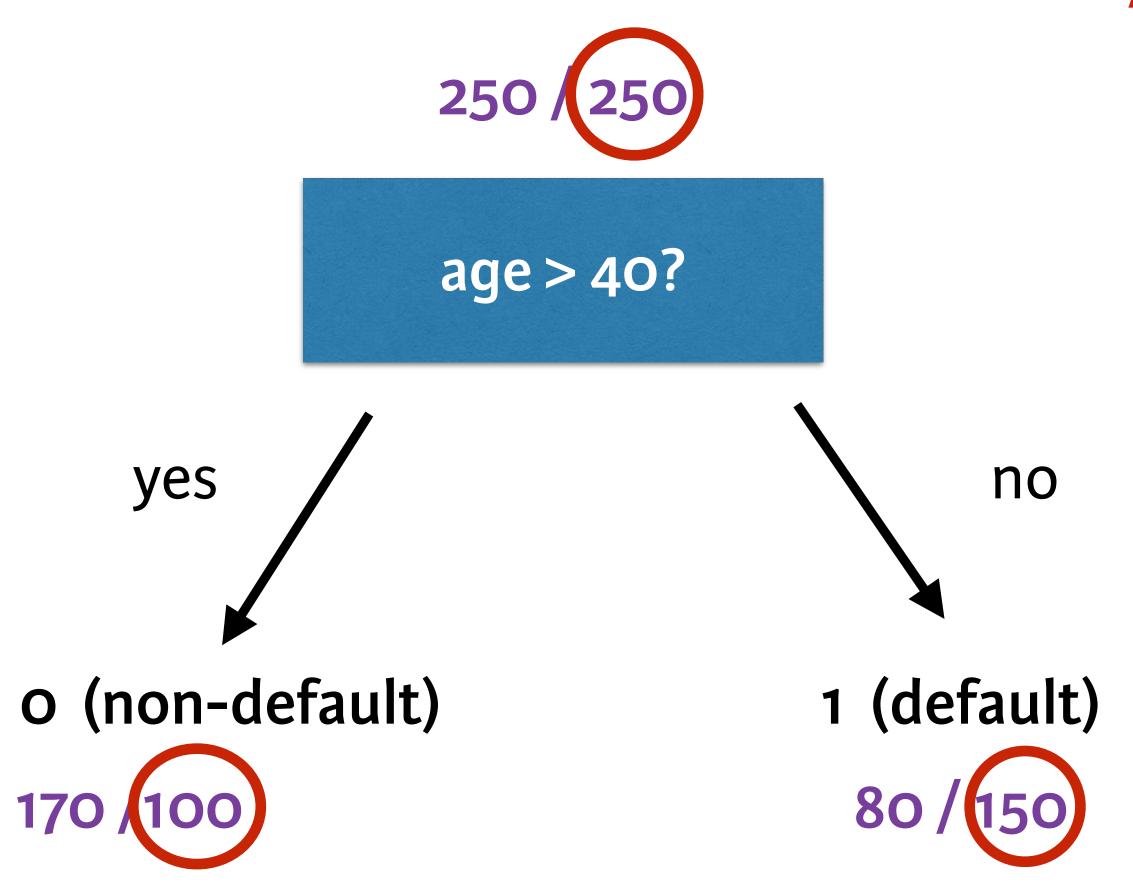






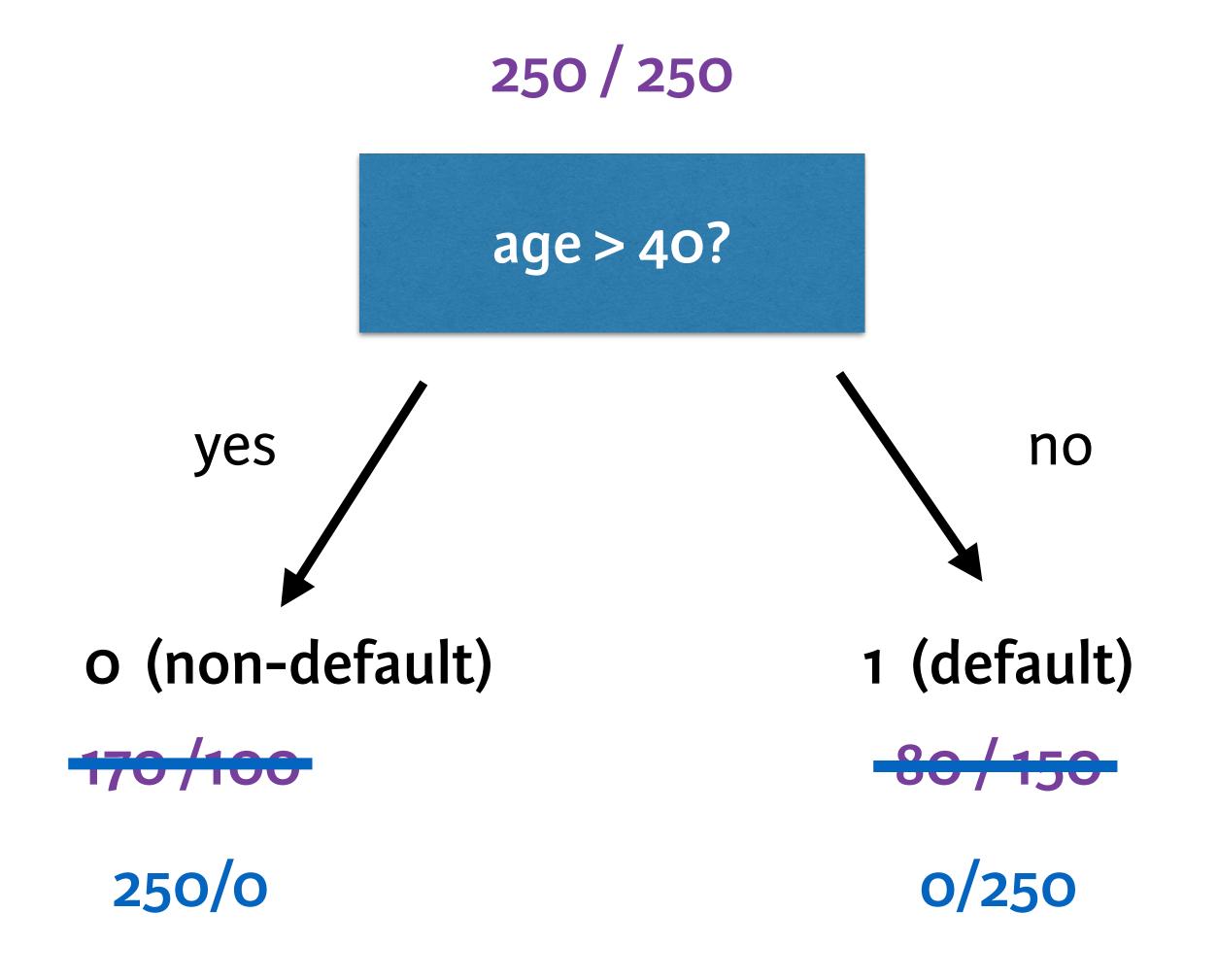
Actual non-defaults in this node using this split





Actual defaults in this node using this split



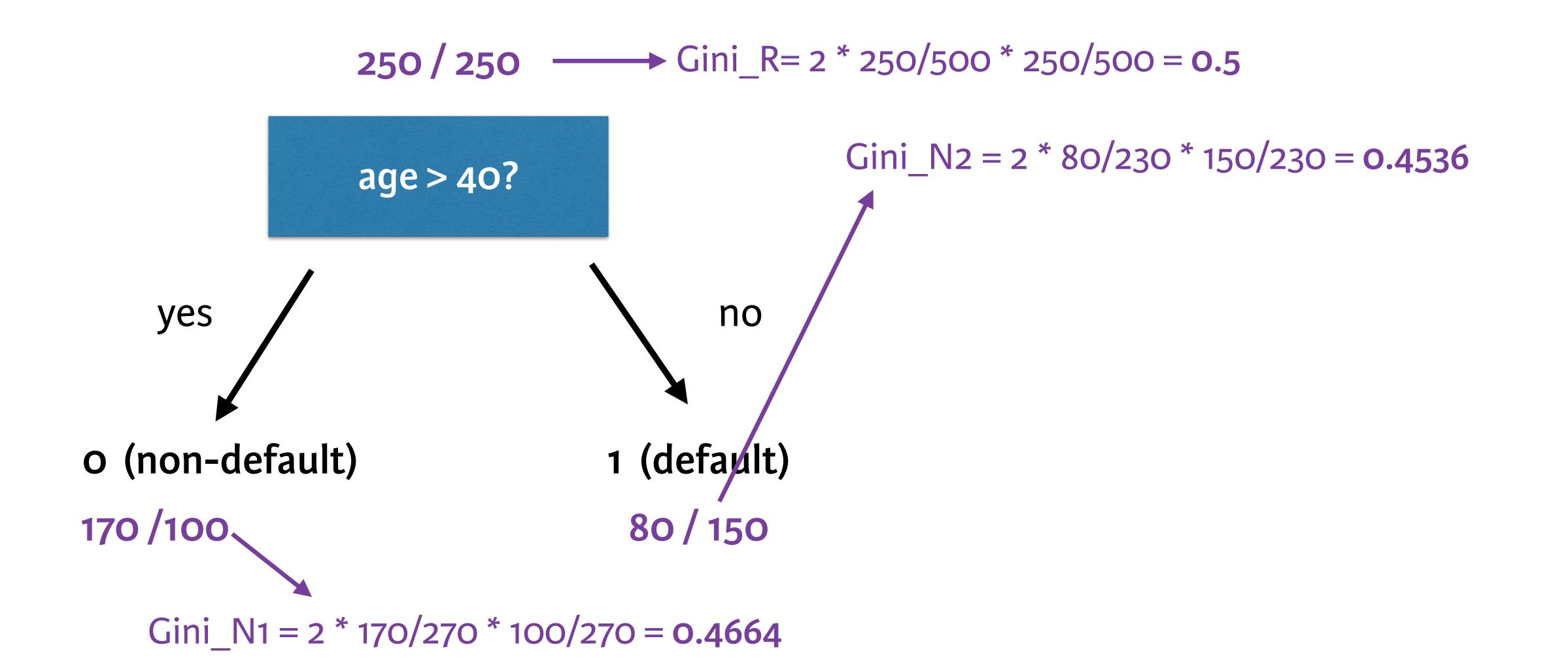


= IDEAL SCENARIO





Gini = 2*prop(default)*prop(non-default)







Gain = Gini_R - prop(cases in N1) * Gini_N1

- prop(cases in N2) * Gini_N1

250 / 250

age > 40?

yes

o (non-default)

170/100

no

1 (default)

80 / 150

MAXIMIZE GAIN

= 0.5 - 270/500 * 0.4664

- 230/500*0.4536

= 0.039488





Let's practice!



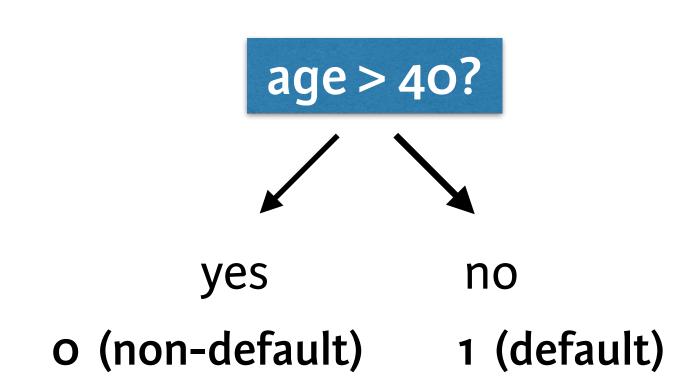


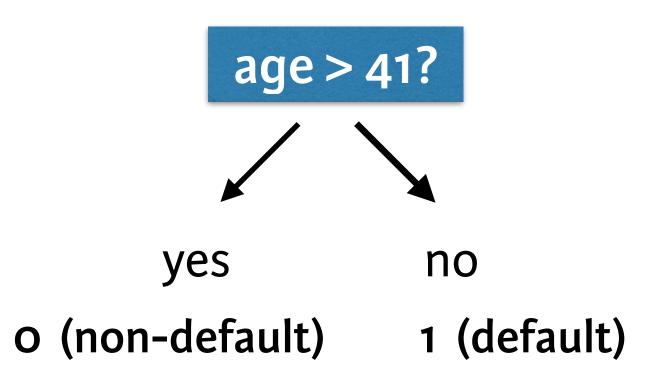
Building decision trees using the rpart()-package

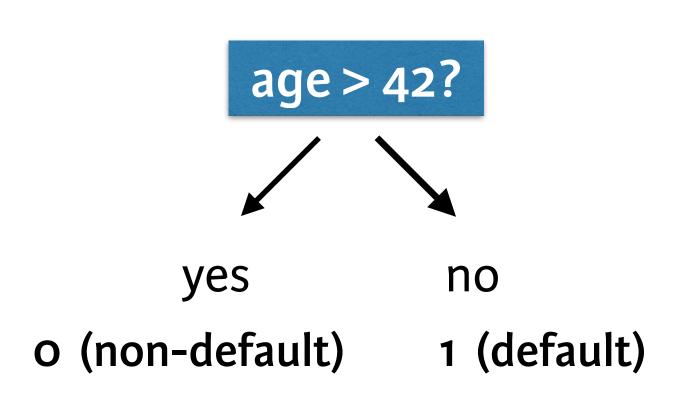


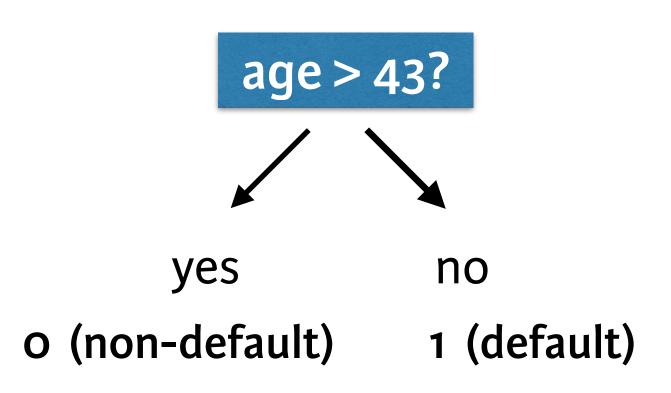


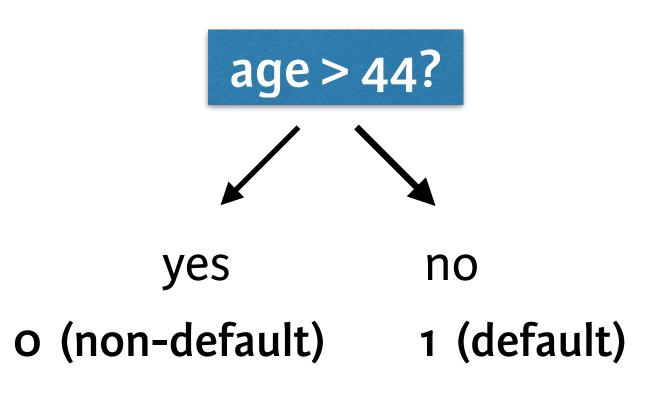
Imagine...











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Credit Risk Modeling in R

rpart() package! But...

- hard building nice decision tree for credit risk data
- main reason: unbalanced data

```
> fit_default <- rpart(loan_status ~ ., method = "class",</pre>
data = training_set)
> plot(fit_default)
Error in plot.rpart(fit_default) : fit is not a tree, just a root
```

Three techniques to overcome unbalance

- Undersampling or oversampling
 - Accuracy issue will disappear
 - Only training set
- Changing the prior probabilities
- Including a loss matrix

Validate model to see what is best!





Let's practice!





Pruning the decision tree

Problems with large decision trees

- Too complex: not clear anymore
- Overfitting when applying to test set
- Solution: use printcp(), plotcp() for pruning purposes



Printcp and tree_undersample

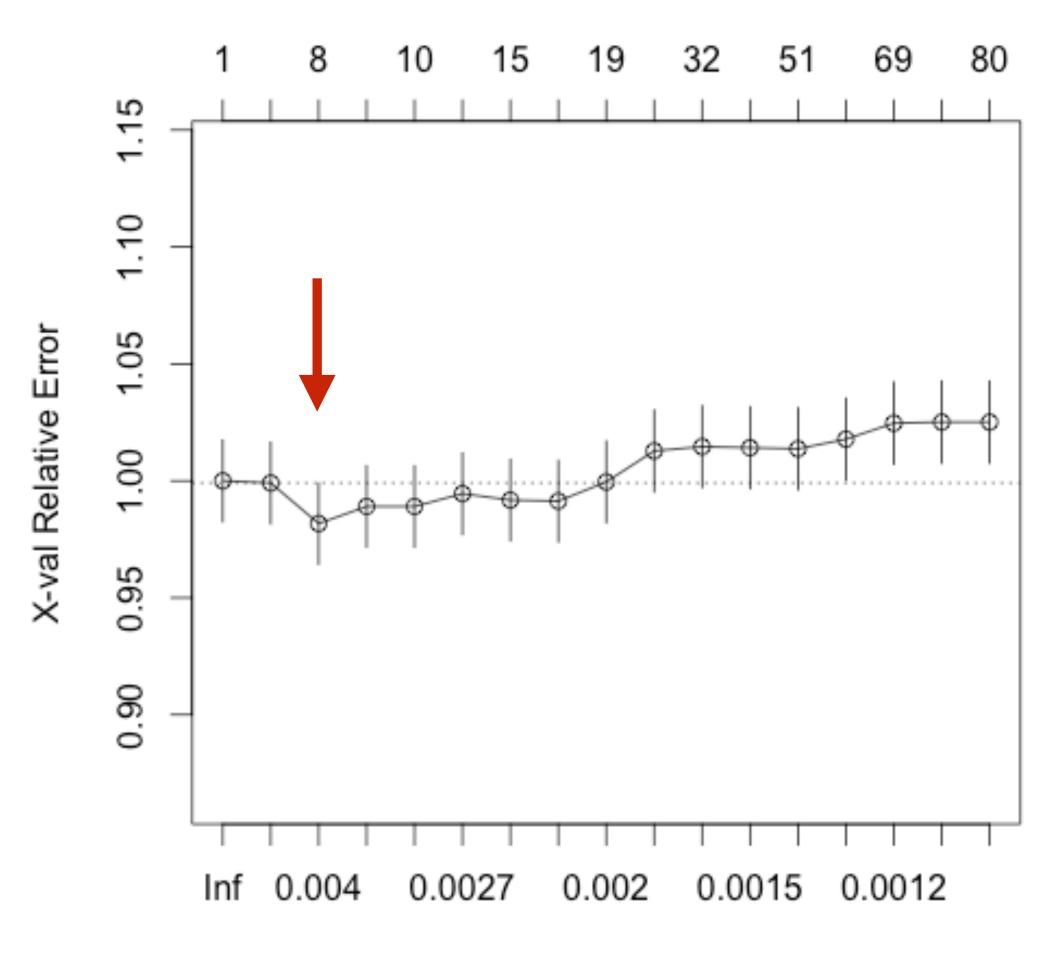
```
> printcp(tree_undersample)
Classification tree:
rpart(formula = loan_status ~ ., data = undersampled_training_set, method = "class",
 control = rpart.control(cp = 0.001))
Variables actually used in tree construction:
          annual_inc
                                               home_ownership
[1] age
                                      grade
                                                               ir_cat
                                                                          loan_amnt
                         emp_cat
Root node error: 2190/6570 = 0.33333
n = 6570
        CP
              nsplit
                      rel error
                                              xstd
                                xerror
   0.0059361
                      1.00000
                                 1.00000
                                           0.017447
  0.0044140
                      0.97443
                                 0.99909
                                           0.017443
                      0.96119
                                 0.98174
  0.0036530
                                           0.017366
   0.0031963
                      0.95753
                                 0.98904
                                           0.017399
                       0.84247
16 0.0010654
                                 1.02511
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17 0.0010000
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```





Plotcp and tree_undersample

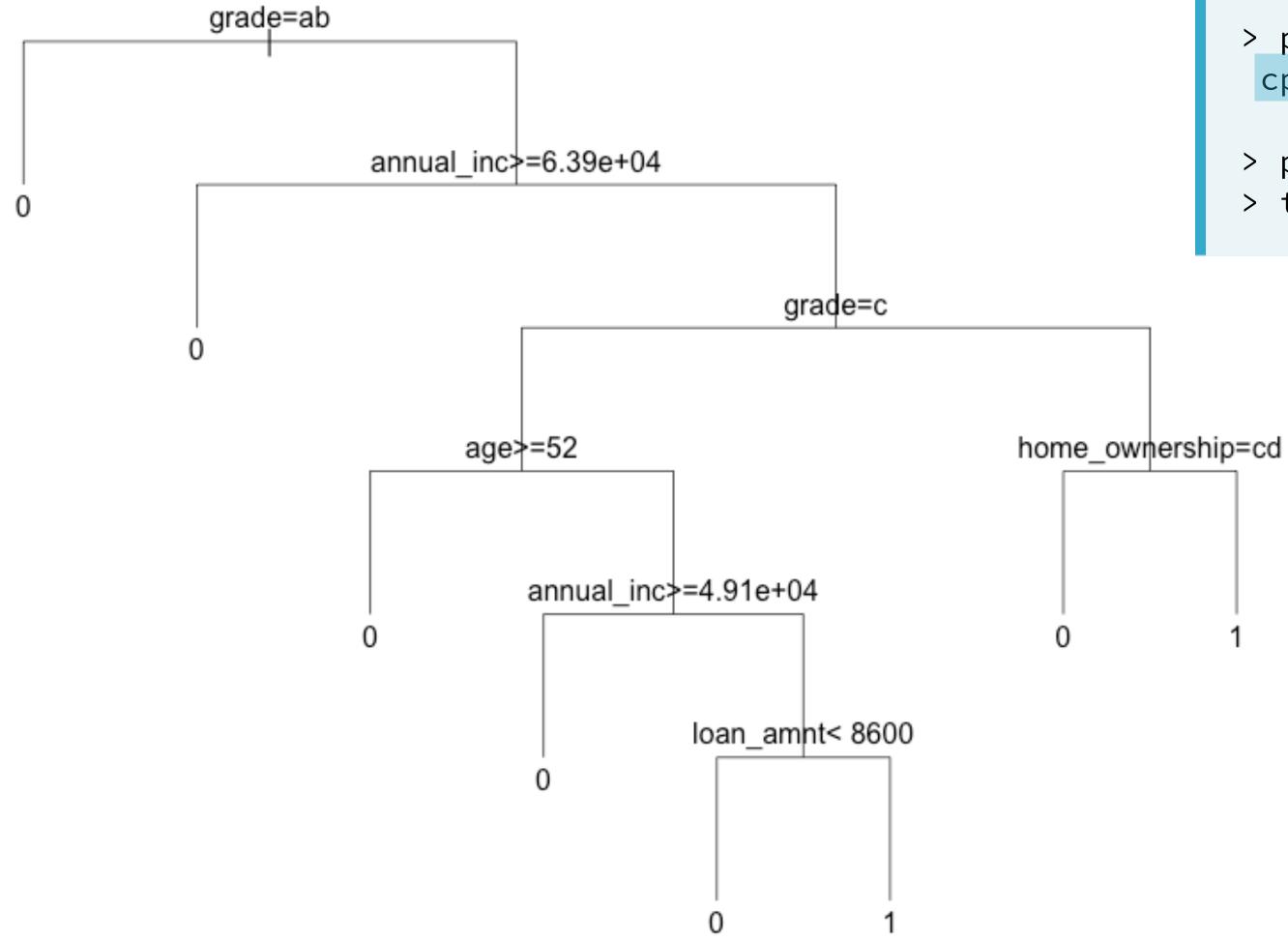




cp = 0.003653



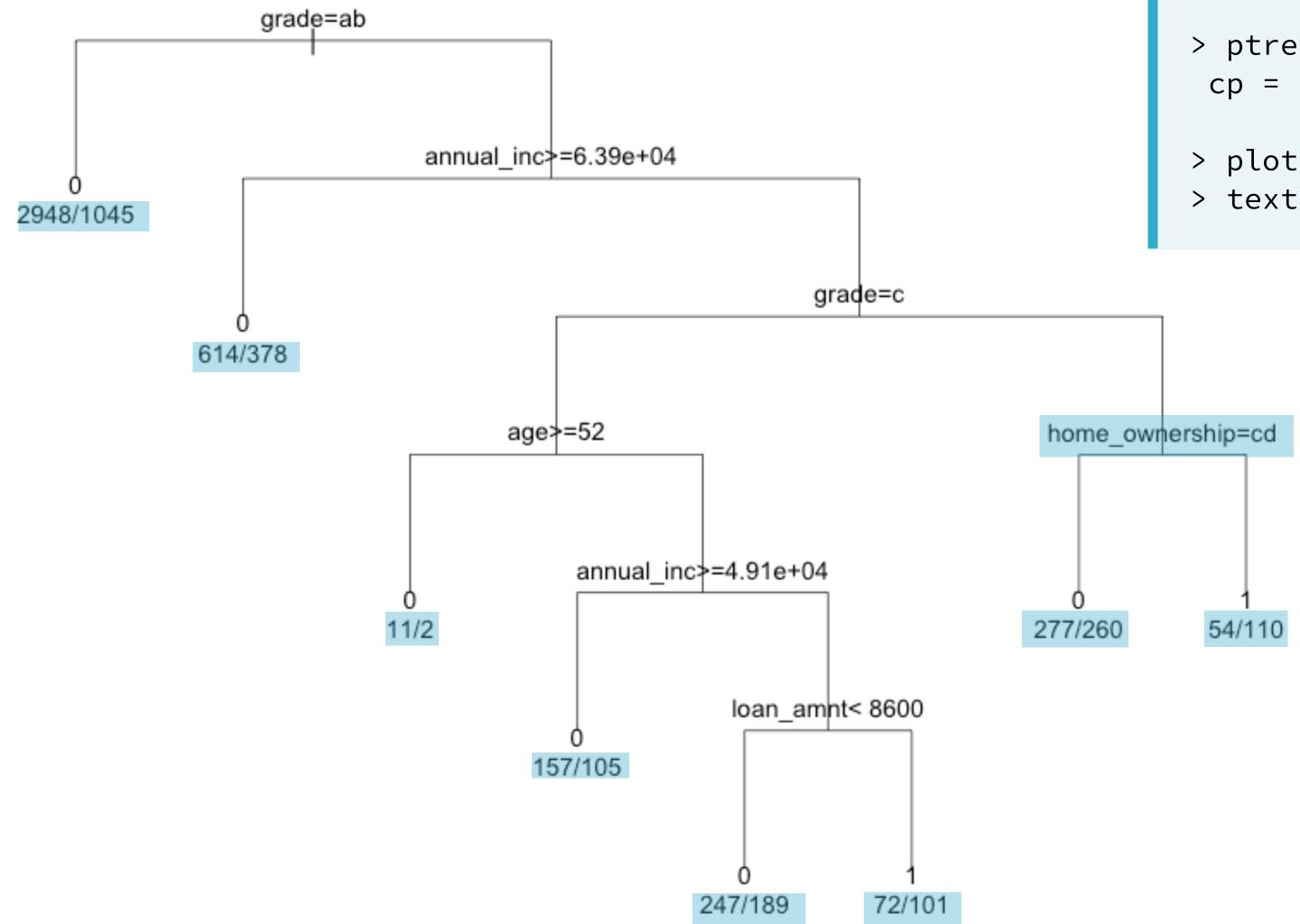
plot the pruned tree



- > ptree_undersample=prune(tree_undersample,
 cp = 0.003653)
- > plot(ptree_undersample, uniform=TRUE)
- > text(ptree_undersample)

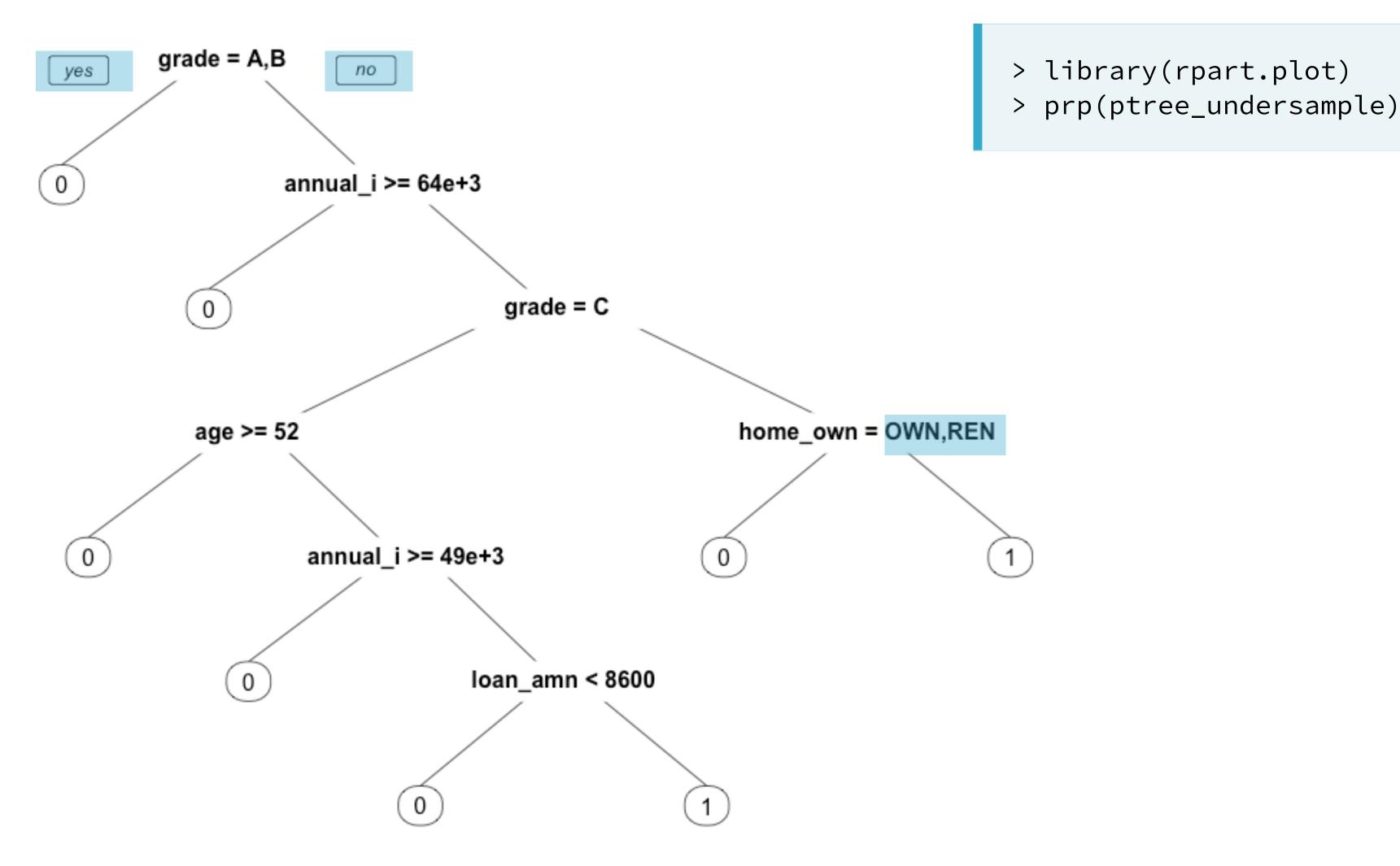


plot the pruned tree

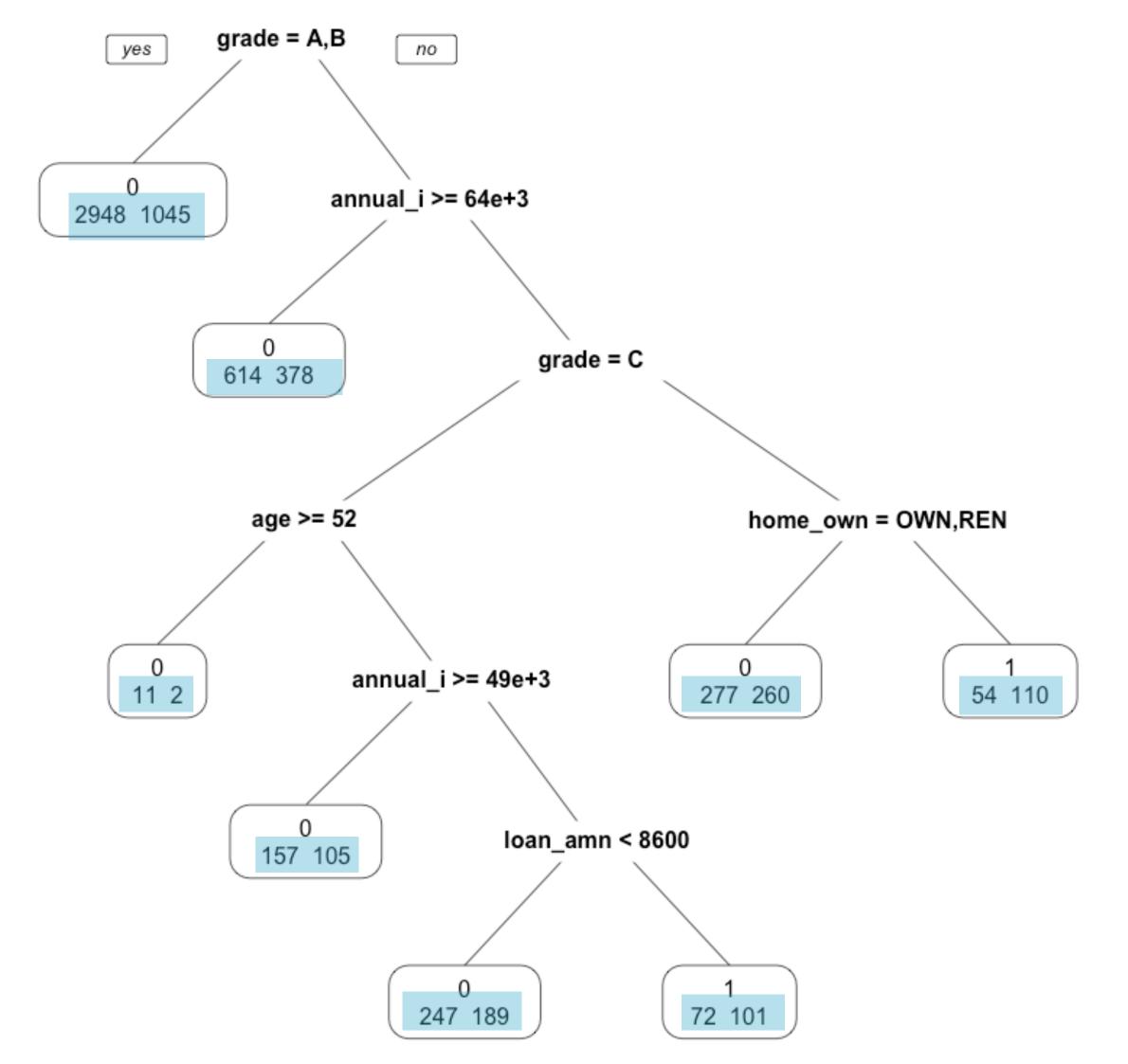


- > ptree_undersample=prune(tree_undersample,
 cp = 0.003653)
- > plot(ptree_undersample, uniform=TRUE)
- > text(ptree_undersample, use.n=TRUE)

prp() in the rpart.plot-package



prp() in the part.plot-package



- > library(rpart.plot)
- > prp(ptree_undersample, extra = 1)





Let's practice!





Other tree options and the construction of confusion matrices.



Other interesting rpart()-arguments

...in rpart()

• weights: include case weights

...in the control argument of rpart (rpart.control)

- minsplit: minimum number of observations for split attempt
- minbucket: minimum number of observations in leaf node





Making predictions using the decision tree

OR



Constructing a confusion matrix

```
> table(test_set$loan_status, pred_undersample_class)
  pred_undersample_class
```





Let's practice!