

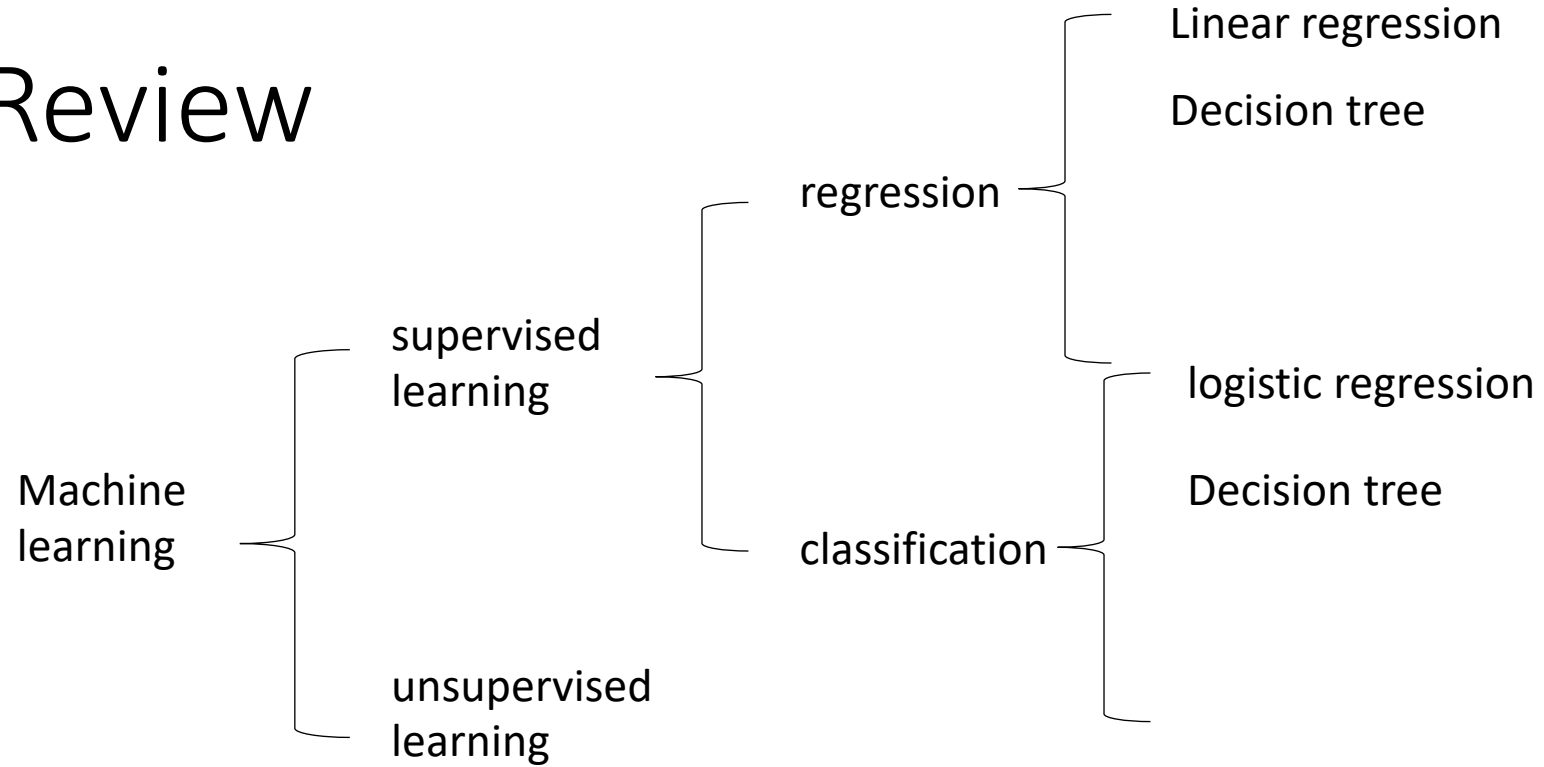
# L13 Decision Tree

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# Before class

- HW3 (Mini Project) Due 3pm Mar. 7
- Mar. 7 – Mar. 14: No HW, review for Test
- Test on Mar. 14
  - Examples/Exercise in class
  - HWs

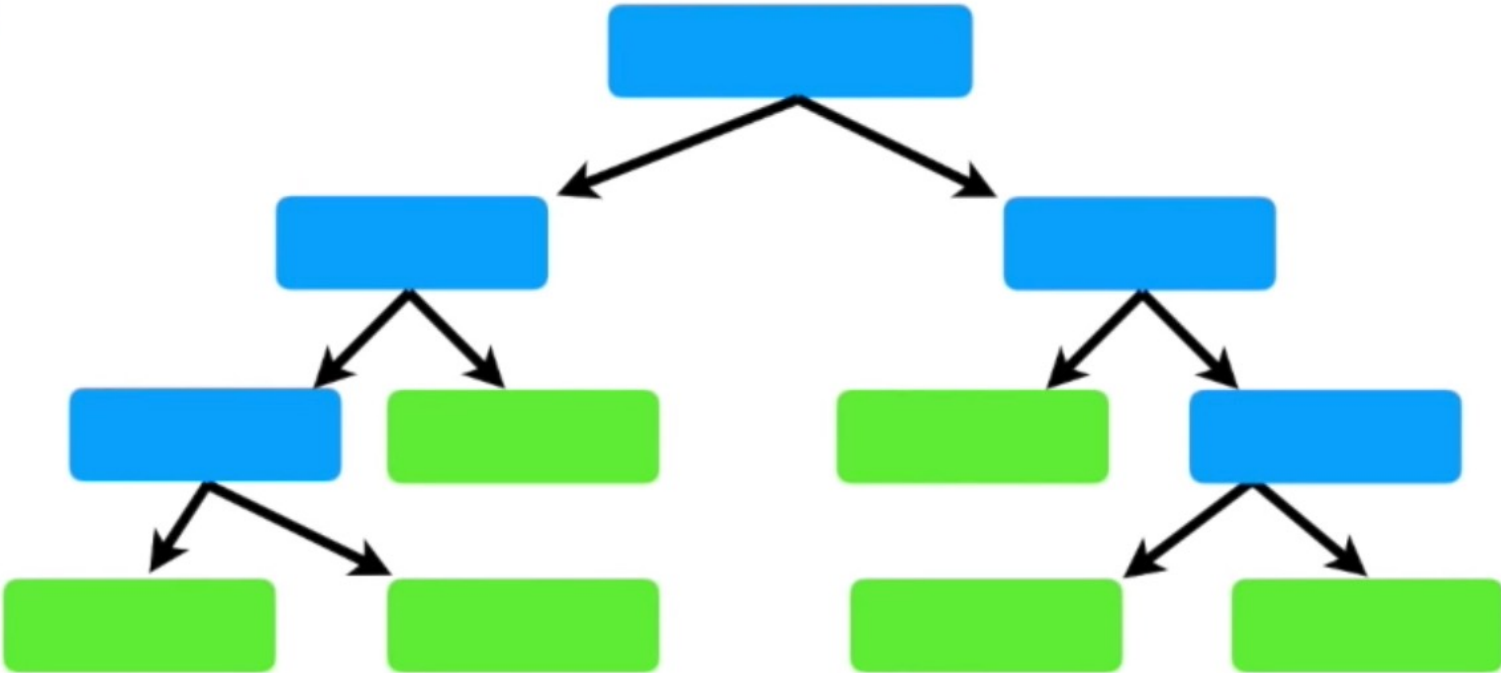
# Review



Now we are ready to talk about how to go from a raw table of data...

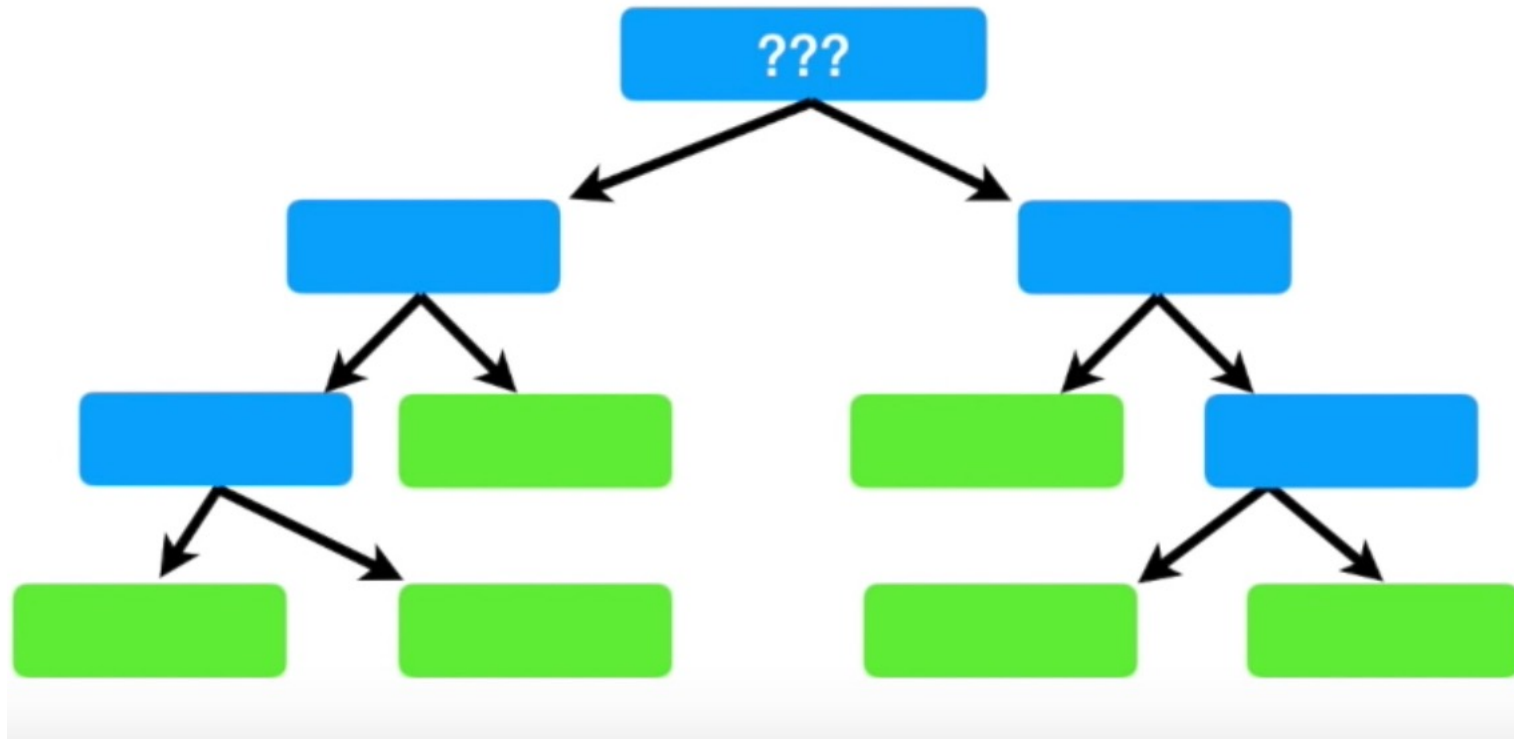
Chest Pain	Good Blood Circulation	Blocked Arteries	Heart Disease
No	No	No	No
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Yes	Yes	No	No
Yes	No	???	Yes
etc...	etc...	etc...	etc...

...to a decision tree!!!

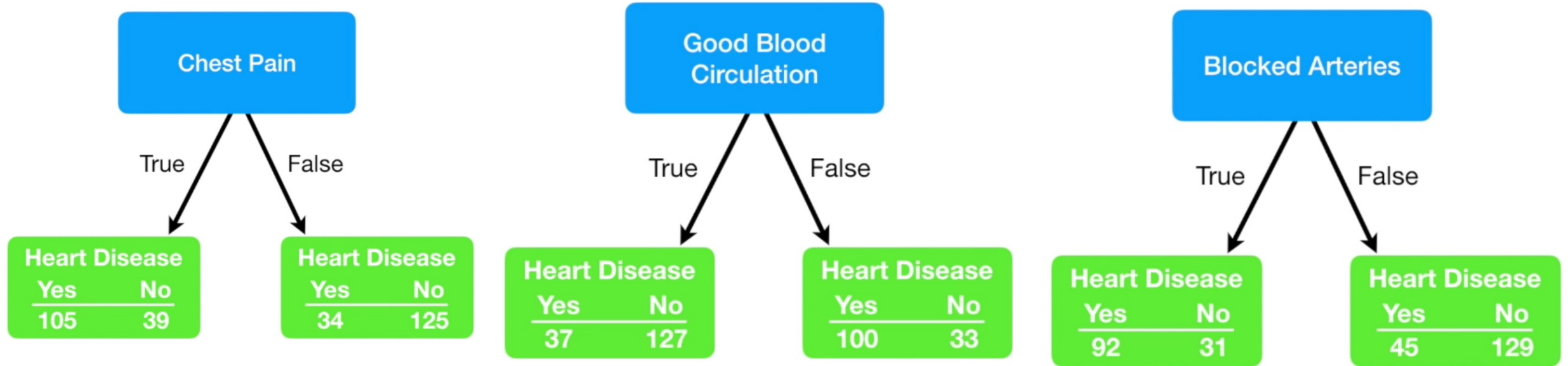


# First Step: who would be the top (root)?

- Chest pain? Blood circulation? Blocked Arteries?
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# Which one has best separation ability?



Good, but not perfect:  
Can mostly separate, but still  
some errors

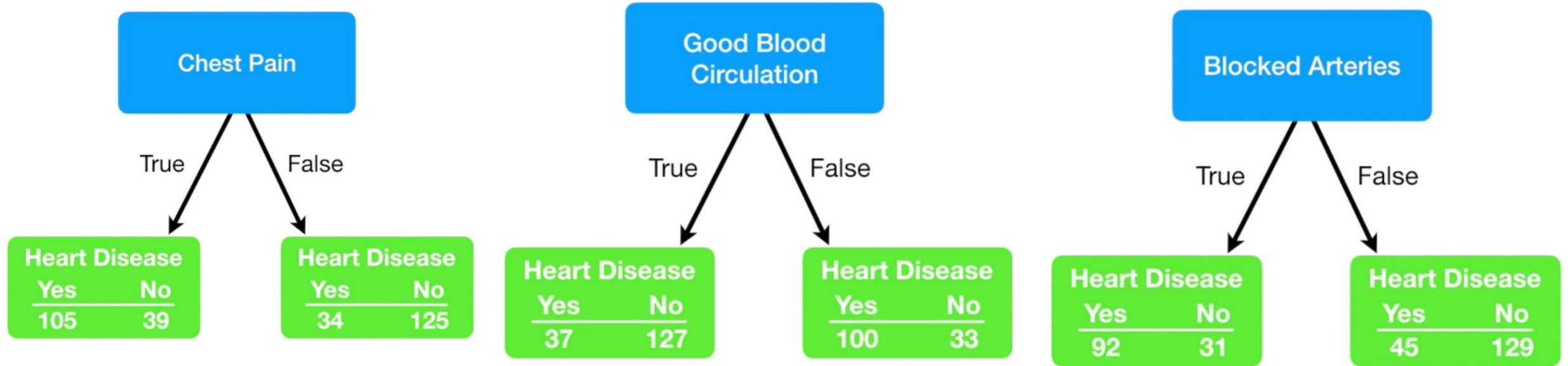
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So, how can we quantify their separation ability?

- Impurity!!!

# These nodes are all **IMPURE**



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Can mostly separate, but still  
some errors

Because none of the leaf  
nodes are 100% "YES Heart  
Disease" or 100% "NO Heart  
Disease", they are all  
considered **"impure"**.

Good, but not perfect



# Compute impurity

- Multiple options:
  - Gini
  - Entropy

**Gini index** (a criterion to minimize the probability of misclassification):

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binary class

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Impurity :  $= 1 - (p_1^2 + p_2^2) \leq 0.5$

proof: This is equivalent to prove:  $p_1^2 + p_2^2 - 0.5 \geq 0$

$$p_1^2 + p_2^2 - \frac{1}{2} = p_1^2 + (1-p_1)^2 - \frac{1}{2} = 2p_1^2 - 2p_1 + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= 2(p_1^2 - p_1 + \frac{1}{4})$$

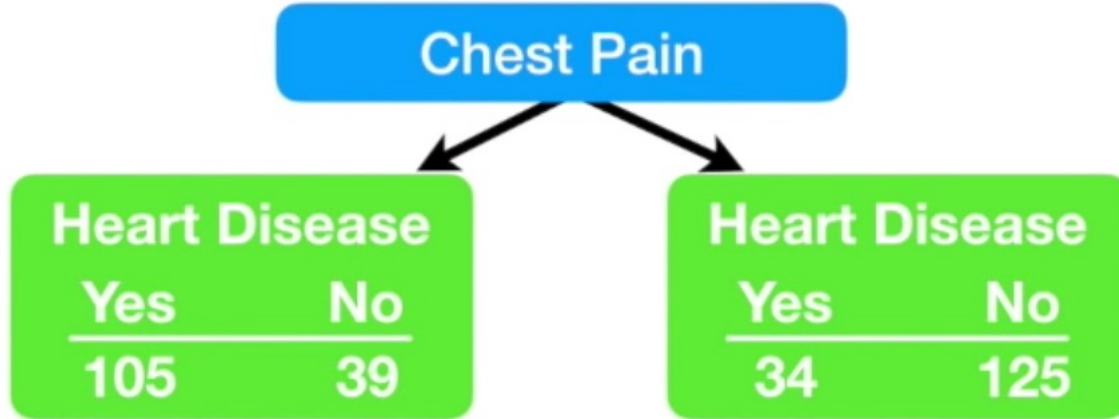
$$= 2(p_1 - \frac{1}{2})^2$$

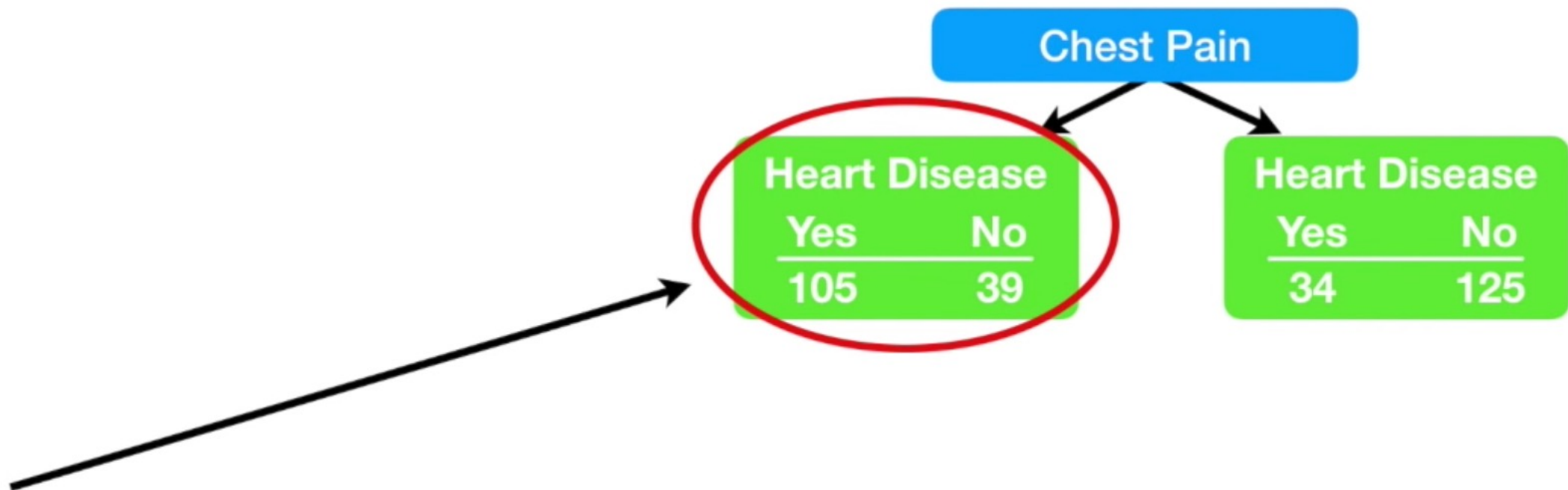
Since we know  $(p_1 - \frac{1}{2})^2 \geq 0$

So,  $2(p_1 - \frac{1}{2})^2 \geq 0$

$$\Rightarrow p_1^2 + p_2^2 - \frac{1}{2} \geq 0.$$

# Compute Gini

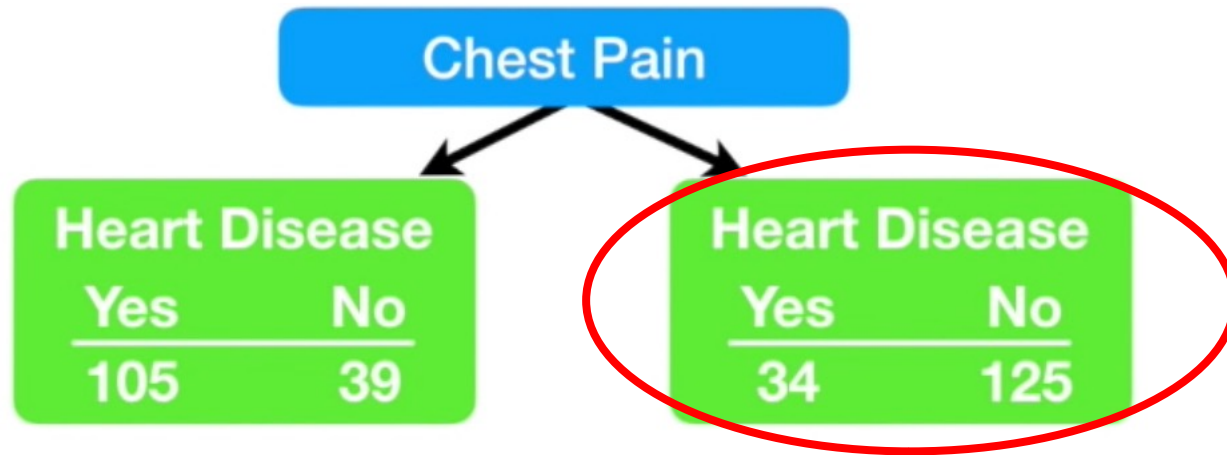




For this leaf, the Gini impurity =  $1 - (\text{the probability of "yes"})^2 - (\text{the probability of "no"})^2$

$$= 1 - \left(\frac{105}{105 + 39}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{39}{105 + 39}\right)^2$$

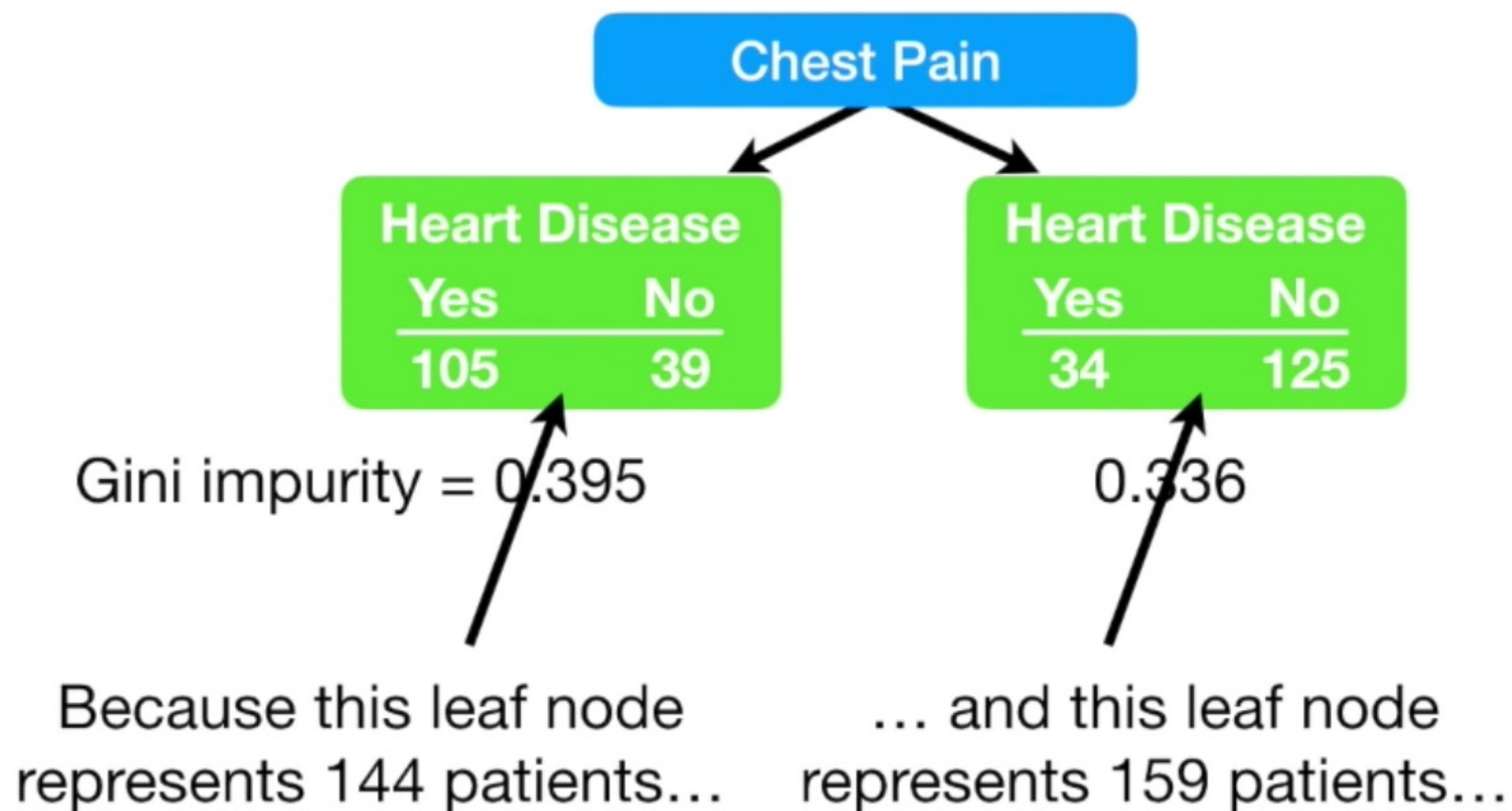
$$= 0.395$$



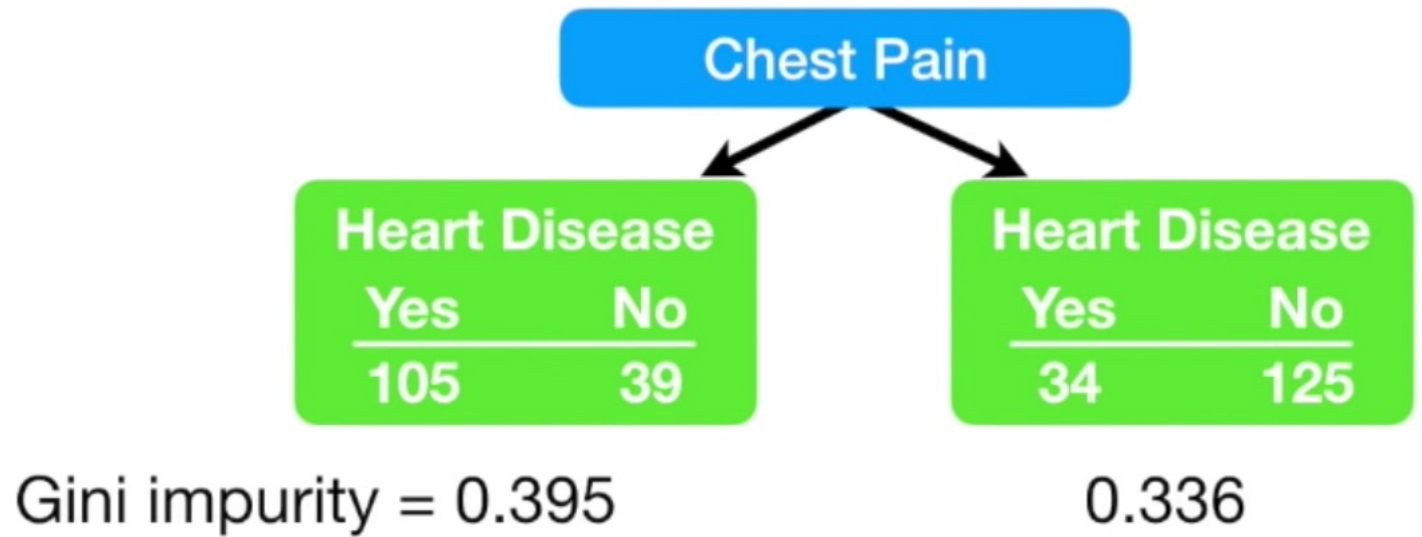
$$= 1 - (\text{the probability of "yes"})^2 - (\text{the probability of "no"})^2$$

$$= 1 - \left( \frac{34}{34 + 125} \right)^2 - \left( \frac{125}{34 + 125} \right)^2$$

$$= 0.336$$



Thus, the total Gini impurity for using Chest Pain to separate patients with and without heart disease is the **weighted average of the leaf node impurities**.



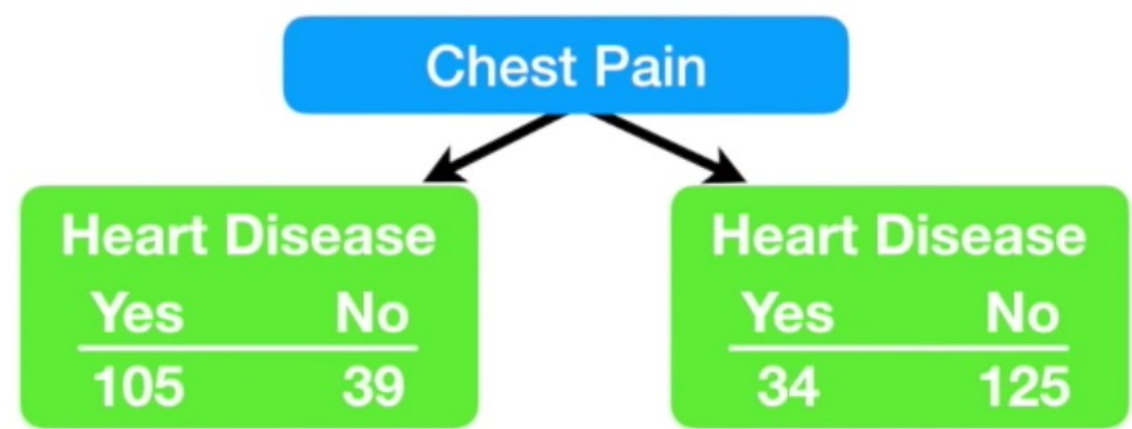
Gini impurity for Chest Pain = weighted average of Gini impurities for the leaf nodes

$$= \left( \frac{144}{144 + 159} \right) 0.395 + \left( \frac{159}{144 + 159} \right) 0.336$$

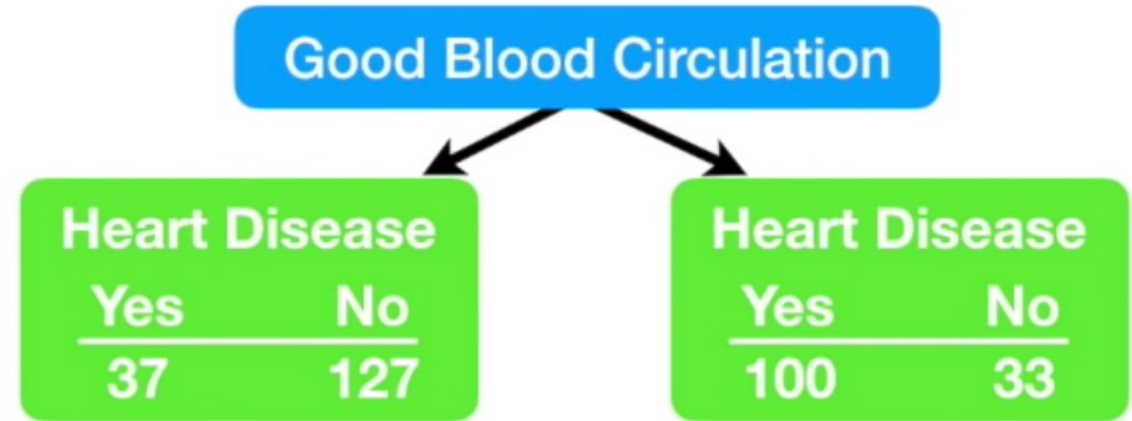
$$= 0.364$$



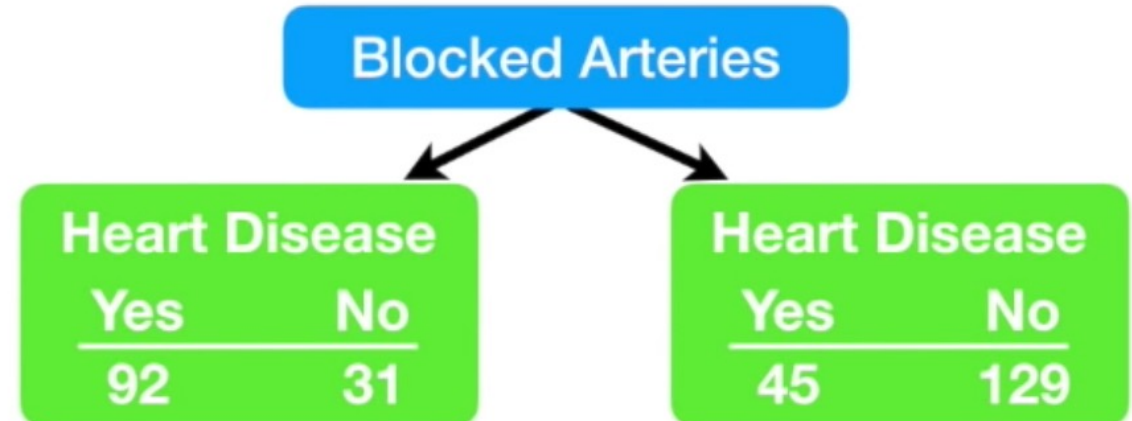
Gini impurity for Chest Pain = 0.364



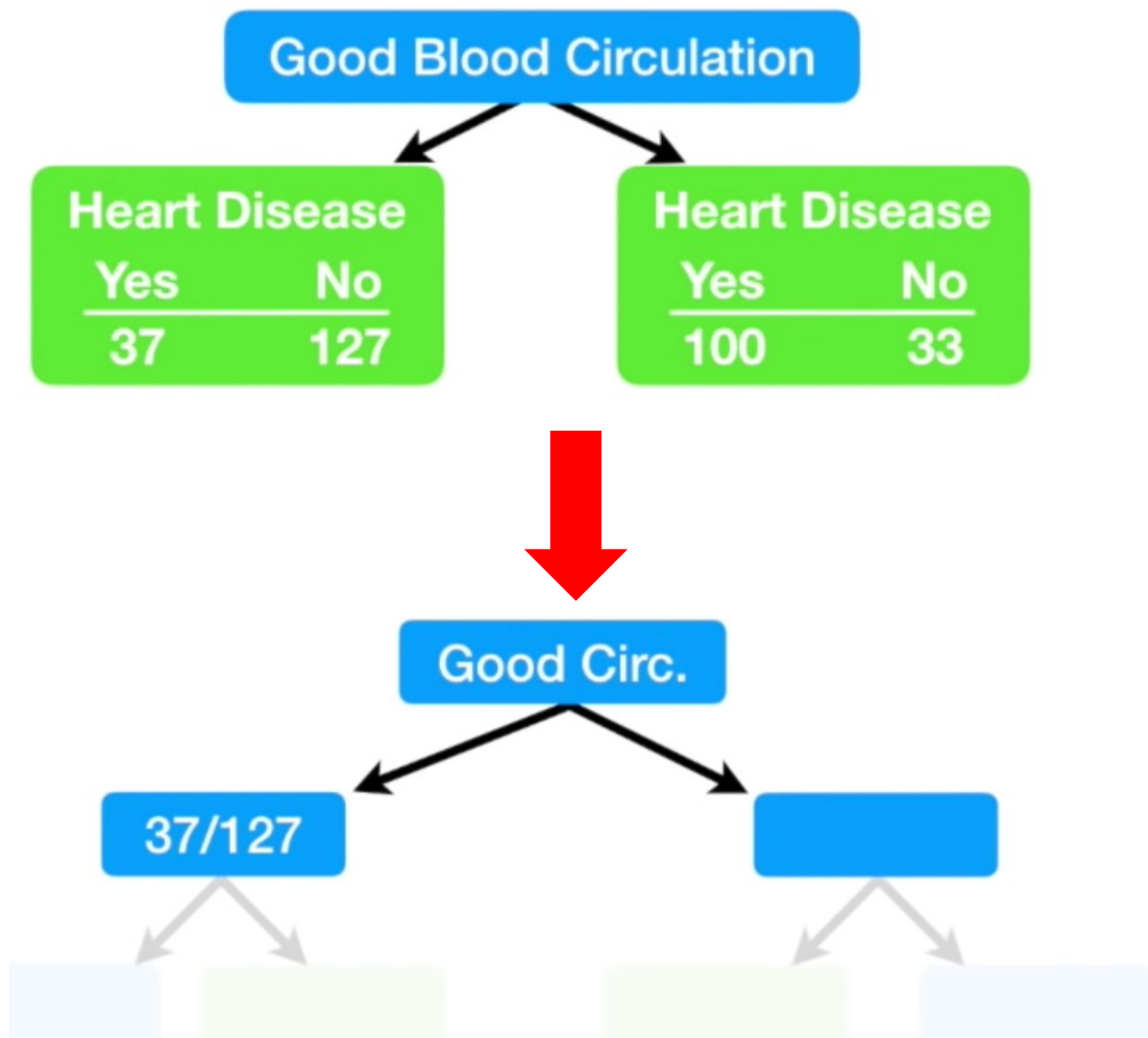
Gini impurity for Good Blood Circulation = 0.360

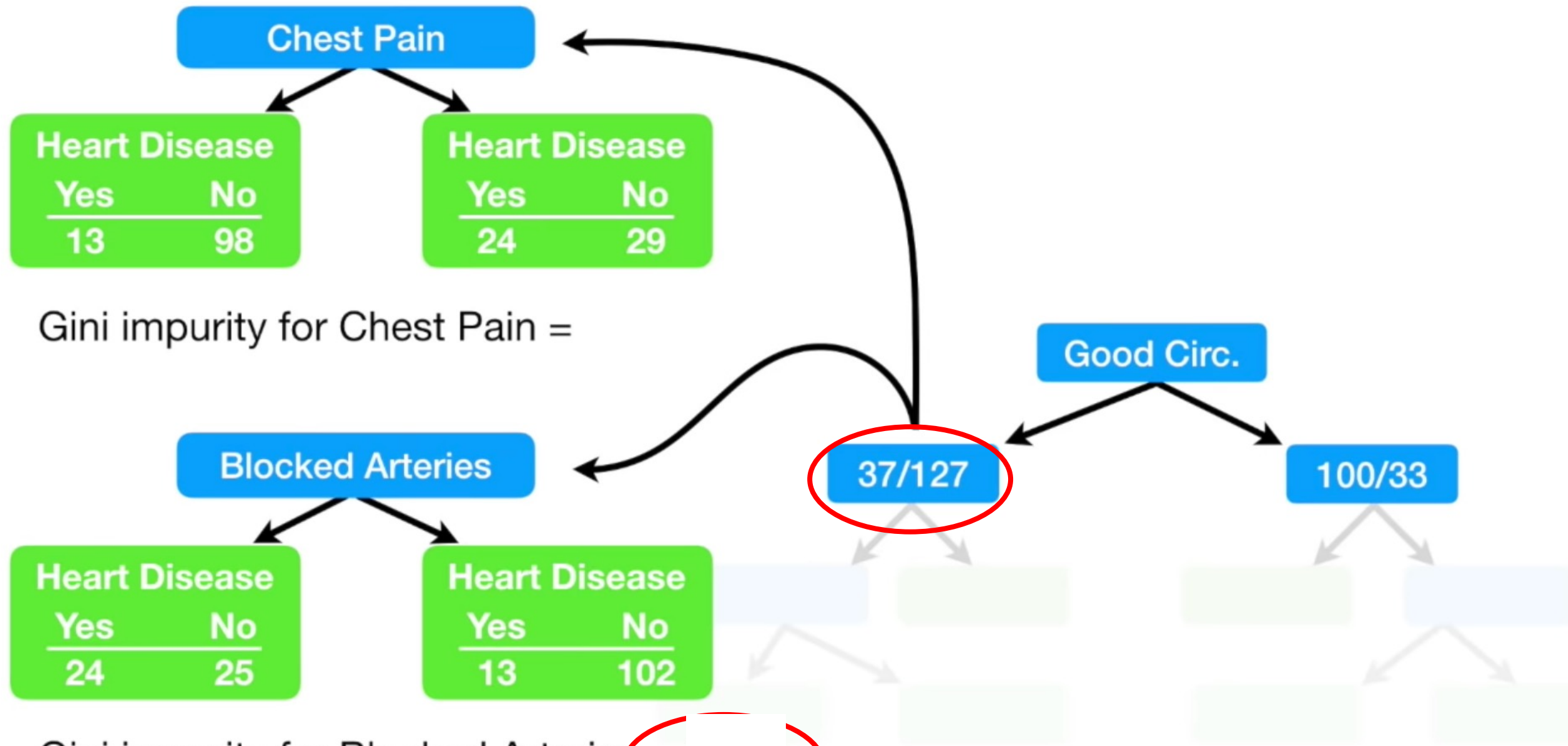


Gini impurity for Blocked Arteries = 0.381





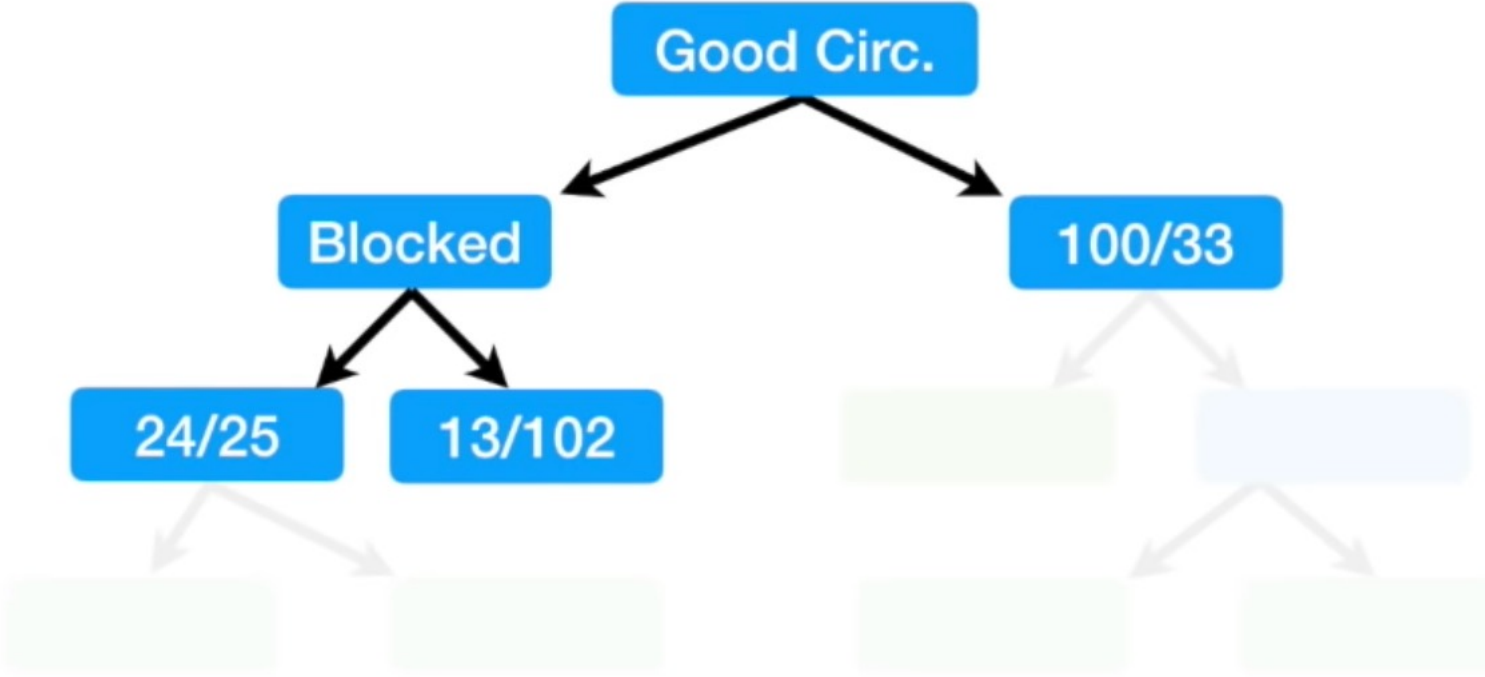




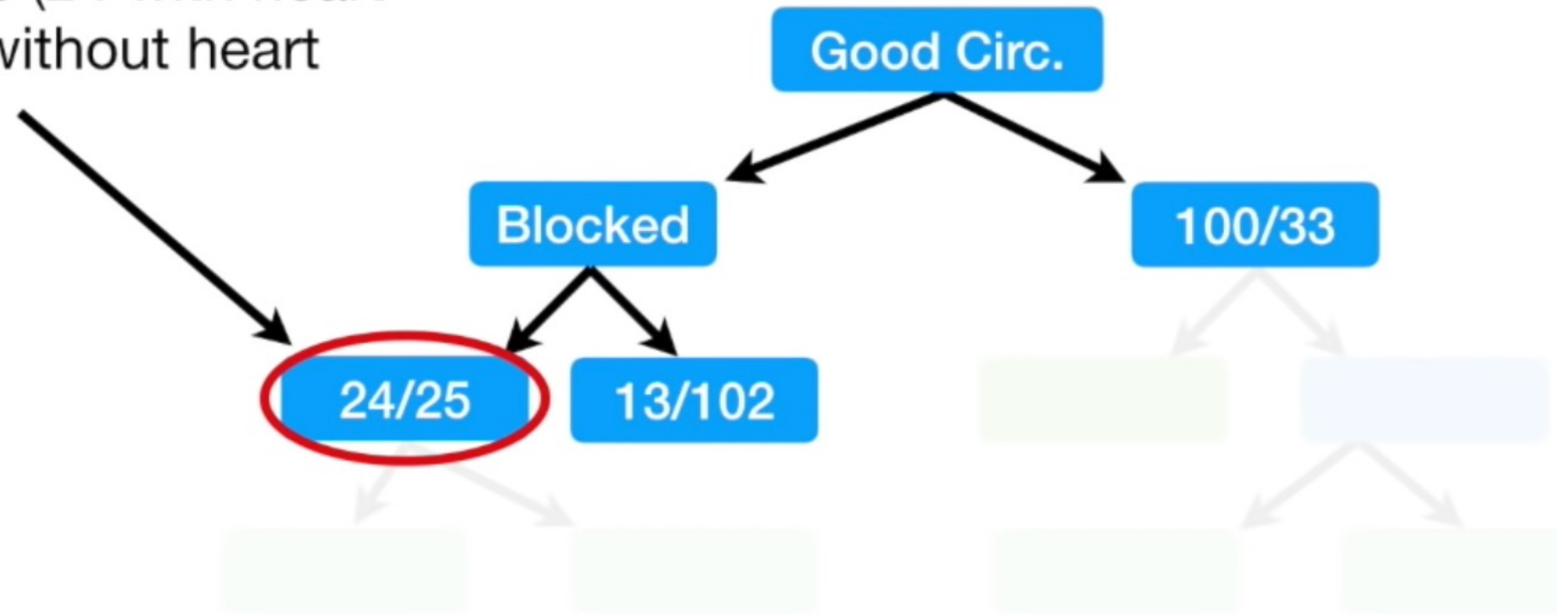
Gini impurity for Chest Pain =

Gini impurity for Blocked Arteries =

Here's the tree that we've worked out so far.



All we have left is Chest Pain, so first we'll see how well it separates these 49 patients (24 with heart disease and 25 without heart disease).



Chest Pain

Heart Disease

Yes	No
17	3

Heart Disease

Yes	No
7	22

Good Circ.

Blocked

Chst Pn

13/102

17/3

7/22

100/33

...so these are the final leaf nodes  
on this branch of the tree.

Chest Pain

Heart Disease

Yes	No
7	26

Heart Disease

Yes	No
6	76

Gini impurity for Chest Pain = 0.19

The Gini impurity for this node, before using chest pain to separate patients is...

$$= 1 - (\text{the probability of "yes"})^2 - (\text{the probability of "no"})^2$$

$$= 1 - \left(\frac{13}{13 + 102}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{102}{13 + 102}\right)^2$$

$$= 0.2$$

Good Circ.

Blocked

100/33

Chst Pn

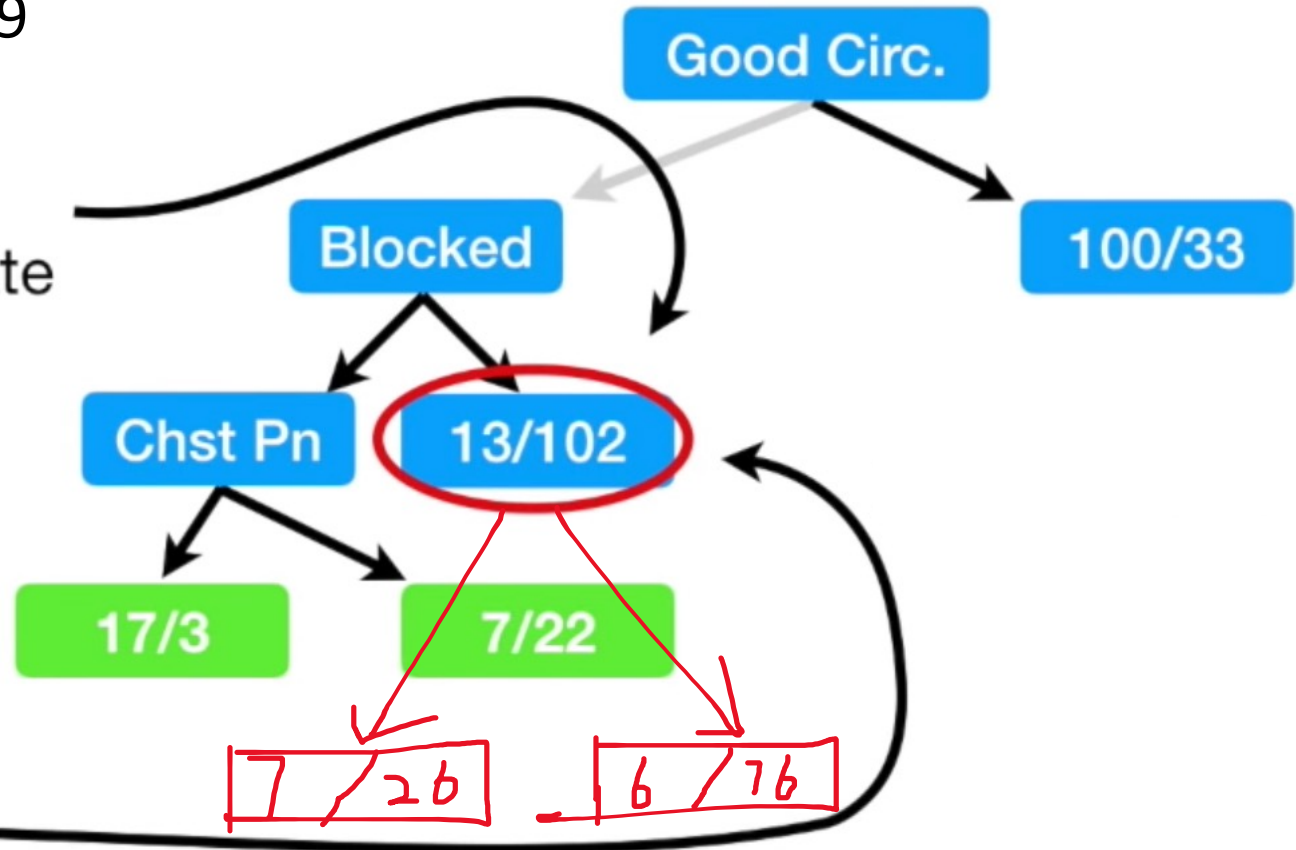
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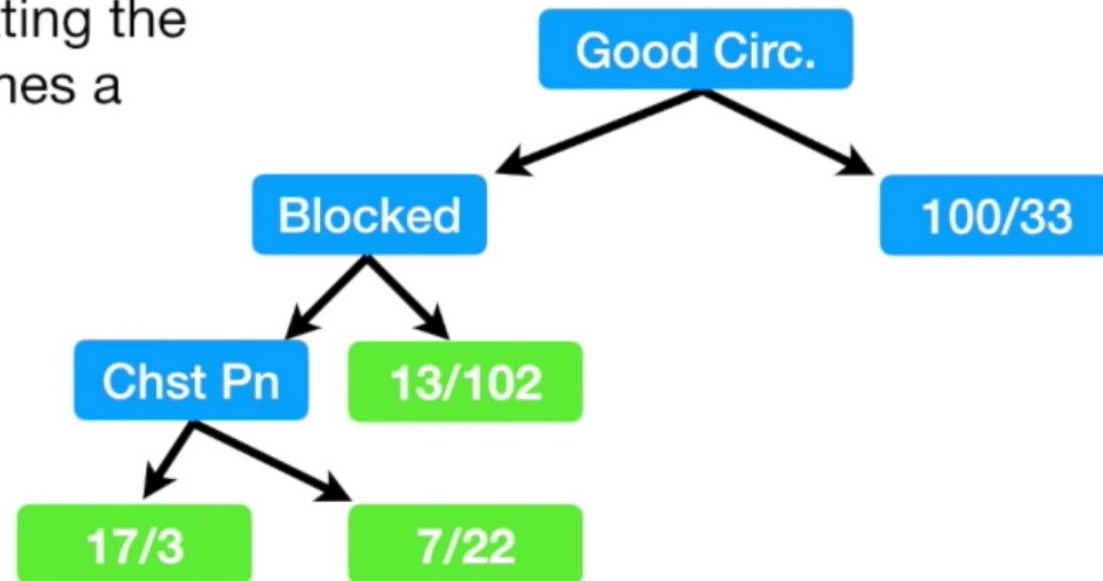
# Right side

- Repeat the steps for calculating the left sides.

1) Calculate all of the Gini impurity scores.

2) If the node itself has the lowest score, than there is no point in separating the patients any more and it becomes a leaf node.

3) If separating the data results in an improvement, than pick the separation with the lowest impurity value.



# Now we have seen YES/NO-based decision tree


- What about numerical-based DT?

Weight	Heart Disease
220	Yes
180	Yes
225	Yes
190	No
155	No



# Step 1

	Weight	Heart Disease
Lowest	155	No
	180	Yes
	190	No
	220	Yes
Highest	225	Yes



Step 1) Sort the patients by weight, lowest to highest.

Weight	Heart Disease
155	No
<b>167.5</b>	
180	Yes
<b>185</b>	
190	No
<b>205</b>	
220	Yes
<b>222.5</b>	
225	Yes

Step 2) Calculate the average weight for all adjacent patients.

Weight	Heart Disease
155	No
<b>167.5</b>	
180	Yes
<b>185</b>	
190	No
<b>205</b>	
220	Yes
<b>222.5</b>	
225	Yes

Step 3) Calculate the impurity values for each average weight.

Gini impurity = ?

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Weight	Heart Disease
155	No
<b>167.5</b>	
180	Yes
<b>185</b>	
190	No
<b>205</b>	
220	Yes
<b>222.5</b>	
225	Yes

Weight < 167.5

Heart Disease	
Yes	No
0	1

Gini impurity = 0

Heart Disease	
Yes	No
3	1

0.375

Gini impurity for Weight < 167.5 is the weighted average of the impurities for the two leaves.

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0.375

Weight	Heart Disease
155	No
<b>167.5</b>	
180	Yes
<b>185</b>	
190	No
<b>205</b>	
220	Yes
<b>222.5</b>	
225	Yes

→ Gini impurity = 0.3

→ Gini impurity = 0.47

→ Gini impurity = 0.27

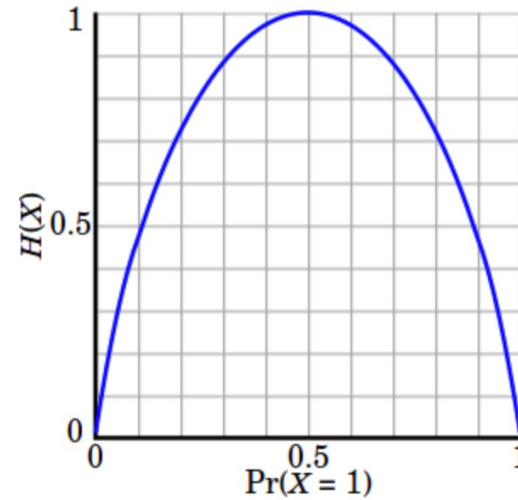
→ Gini impurity = 0.4

The lowest impurity occurs when we separate using **weight < 205...**



# Other options: Entropy

$$\text{Entropy} = - \sum p_j \log_2 p_j$$



1. Entropy of a group in which all examples belong to the same class:

$$\text{entropy} = -1 \log_2 1 = 0$$

This is not a good set for training.

2. entropy of a group with 50% in either class:

$$\text{entropy} = -0.5 \log_2 0.5 - 0.5 \log_2 0.5 = 1$$

# Which one is used in practice?

- <https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.tree.DecisionTreeClassifier.html#sklearn.tree.DecisionTreeClassifier>
  - Look at **criterion** : *string, optional (default="gini")*
    - The function to measure the quality of a split. Supported criteria are “gini” for the Gini impurity and “entropy” for the information gain.