

Lecture 05: Decision Tree

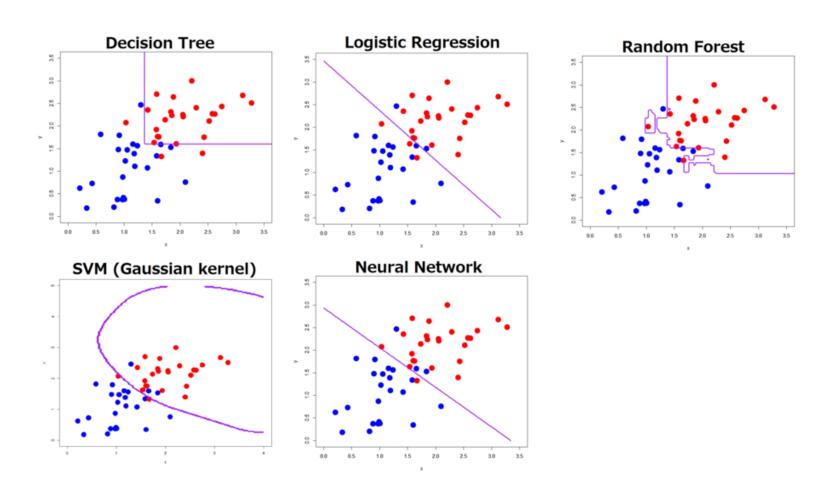
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AGENDA

- 01 Classification Tree
- 02 Regression Tree

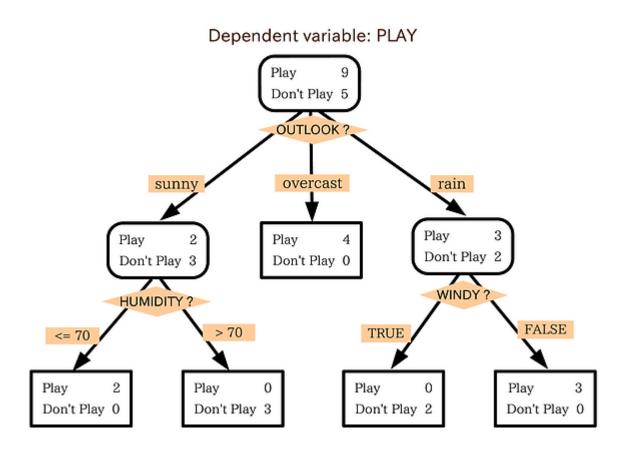
Why Are There So Many Classifiers?

• We cannot guarantee that a single classifier is always better than the others



Goal

- ✓ Classify or predict an outcome based on a set of predictors.
- ✓ The output is a set of rules.



Rule example

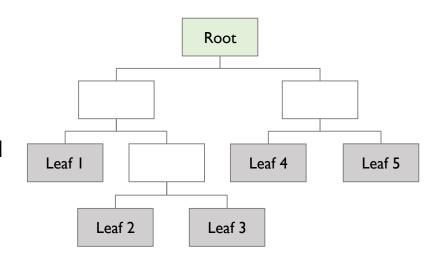
If outlook is sunny and if humidity > 70 then he does not play

or

If outlook is rainy and it is not windy then he does play

Terminologies

- ✓ Parent node: node before split
- ✓ Child node: node after split
- ✓ Split criterion: a certain variable value used for split a node
- ✓ Root node: node that only has child nodes but no parent node
- ✓ Leaf nodes: nodes that only have a parent node but no child nodes

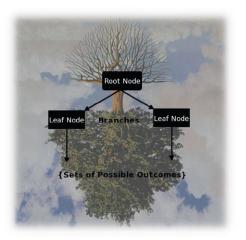


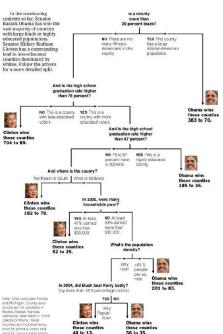
Why CART?

- ✓ Simple to understand and interpret.
- ✓ Requires little data preparation (normalization, missing value treatments, etc.)
- ✓ Able to handle both numerical and categorical data.

Key Ideas

- ✓ <u>Recursive Partitioning</u>
 - Repeatedly split the records into two parts so as to achieve maximum homogeneity within the new parts.
- ✓ Pruning the Tree
 - Simplify the tree by pruning peripheral branches to avoid over-fitting.





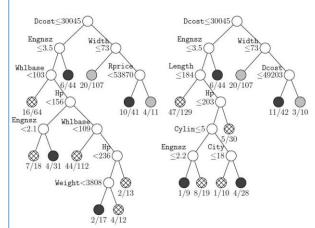
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Recursive Partitioning

- Partition the data in a parent node into two child nodes using a certain value of a certain variable
- Select the split point to maximize the purity of the child nodes
- Gini-index (for categorical variable) and the variance (for numerical variable) are used to measure the impurity of a node

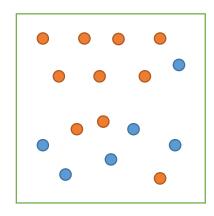




- Measuring Impurity 1: Gini Index
 - ✓ Gini Index for rectangle A containing m records

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$$I(A) = 1 - \sum_{k=1}^{m} p_k^2$$

$$= 1 - \left(\frac{6}{16}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{10}{16}\right)^2$$

$$\approx 0.47$$

- I(A) = 0 when all cases belong to the same class.
- Max value when all classes are equal represented (=0.5 in binary case)

- Measuring Impurity 1: Gini Index
 - ✓ When their more than two rectangles

$$I(A) = \sum_{i=1}^{d} \left(R_i \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^{m} p_{ik}^2 \right) \right)$$

 \blacksquare R_i = proportion of cases in rectangle Ri among the training data.

$$= 0.5 \times \left(1 - \left(\frac{7}{8}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{1}{8}\right)^2\right) + 0.5 \times \left(1 - \left(\frac{3}{8}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{5}{8}\right)^2\right)$$

$$=0.34$$

"Information gain" after splitting: 0.47-0.34=0.13

Measuring Impurity 2: Deviance

$$D_i = -2\sum_k n_{ik}log(p_{ik})$$

✓ i: node index, k: class index, p_{ik}: probability of class k in node l

$$D_{i} = -2 \times \left(10 \times log\left(\frac{10}{16}\right) + 6 \times log\left(\frac{6}{16}\right)\right)$$

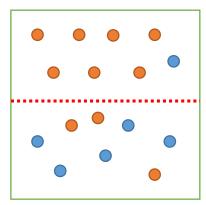
$$= 21.17$$

 \checkmark Deviance = 0 if and only if all nodes contain instances from the same class

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$$D_1 = -2 \times \left(7 \times log\left(\frac{7}{8}\right) + 1 \times log\left(\frac{1}{8}\right)\right) = 6.03$$

$$D_2 = -2 \times \left(3 \times log\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) + 5 \times log\left(\frac{5}{8}\right)\right) = 10.59$$

$$D_1 + D_2 = 16.62$$

 \checkmark Information gain = 21.17 − 16.62 = 4.55

• Example: Riding Mowers

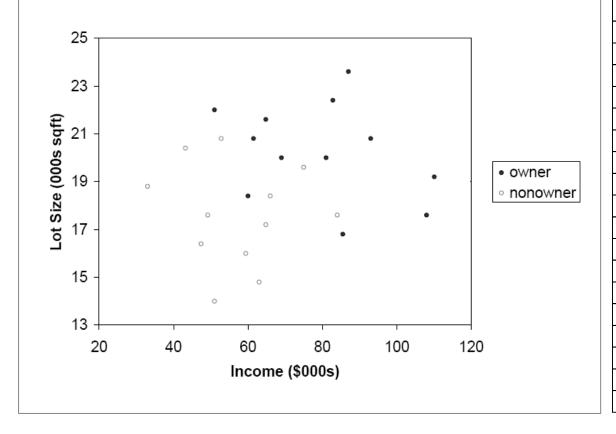
√ Goal: Classify 24 households as owning or not owning riding mowers

✓ Predictors: Income, Lot size

| Income | Lot size | Ownership | Income | Lot size | Ownership |
|--------|----------|-----------|--------|----------|-----------|
| 60.0 | 18.4 | Owner | 75.0 | 19.6 | Non-owner |
| 85.5 | 16.8 | Owner | 52.8 | 20.8 | Non-owner |
| 64.8 | 21.6 | Owner | 64.8 | 17.2 | Non-owner |
| 61.5 | 20.8 | Owner | 43.2 | 20.4 | Non-owner |
| 87.0 | 23.6 | Owner | 84.0 | 17.6 | Non-owner |
| 110.1 | 19.2 | Owner | 49.2 | 17.6 | Non-owner |
| 108.0 | 17.6 | Owner | 59.4 | 16.0 | Non-owner |
| 82.8 | 22.4 | Owner | 66.0 | 18.4 | Non-owner |
| 69.0 | 20.0 | Owner | 47.4 | 16.4 | Non-owner |
| 93.0 | 20.8 | Owner | 33.0 | 18.8 | Non-owner |
| 51.0 | 22.0 | Owner | 51.0 | 14.0 | Non-owner |
| 81.0 | 20.0 | Owner | 63.0 | 14.8 | Non-owner |

Order records according to one variable

■ Order the data with regard to lot size



| Lot size | Ownership |
|----------|--|
| 14.0 | Non-owner |
| 14.8 | Non-owner |
| 16.0 | Non-owner |
| 16.4 | Non-owner |
| 16.8 | Owner |
| 17.2 | Non-owner |
| 17.6 | Owner |
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Find midpoints between successive values

- First midpoint = 14.4 (0.5*(14.0+14.8))
- Divide records into those with Lot size > 14.4 and those < 14.4
- Compute the impurity: Gini index
 - ✓ Before splitting:

$$1 - \left(\frac{12}{24}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{12}{24}\right)^2 = 0.5$$

✓ After splitting:

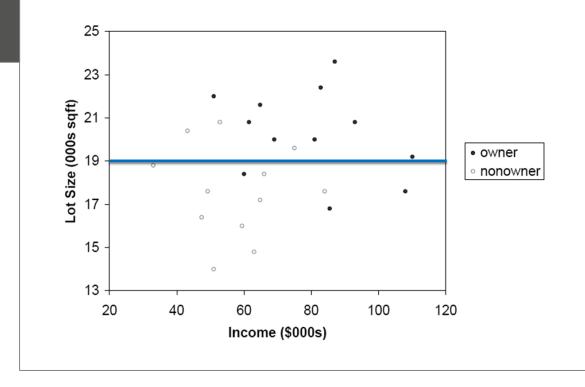
$$\frac{1}{24} \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{1} \right)^2 \right) + \frac{23}{24} \left(1 - \left(\frac{12}{23} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{11}{23} \right)^2 \right) \approx 0.48$$

✓ Information gain: 0.50-0.48=0.02

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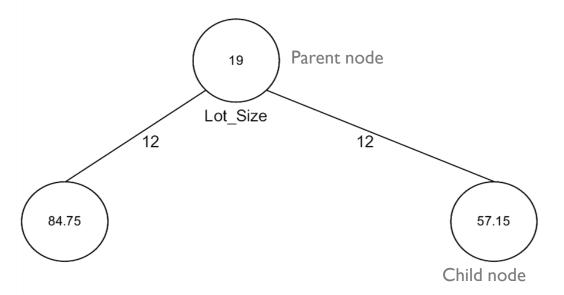
Find the best split

 Find the best split which maximize the (Gini or information gain)



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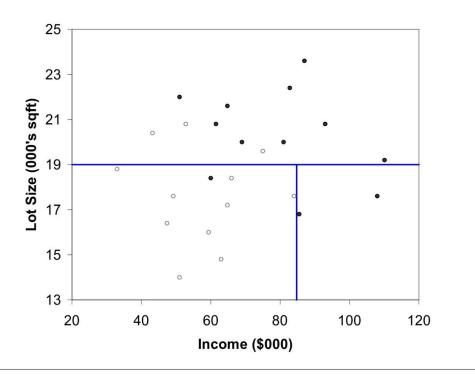
Tree structure



- Split point become nodes on tree (circles with split value in center)
- Rectangles represent "leaves" (terminal points, no future splits, classification value noted)
- Numbers on lines between nodes indicate # cases.

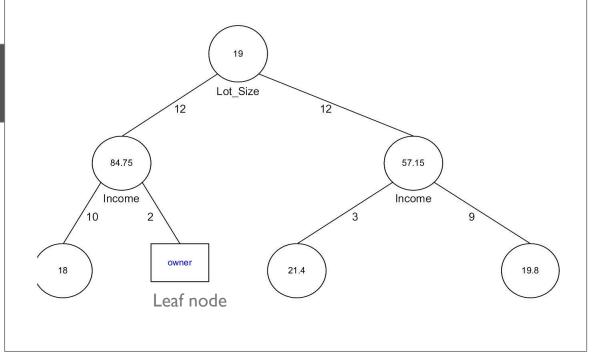
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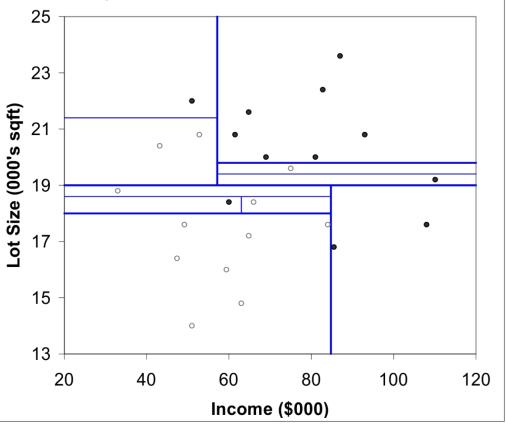
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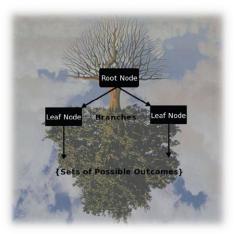


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- Final splitting



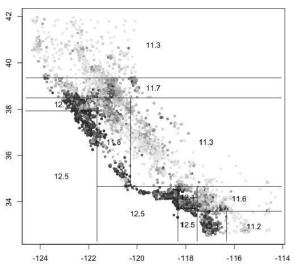
- Each leaf node label is determined by "voting" of the records within it, and by the cutoff value.
- Records within each leaf node are from the training data.
- Default cutoff=0.5 means that the leaf node's label is the majority class.
- Cutoff = 0.75 requires majority of 75% of more "I" records in the leaf to label it a "I" node.



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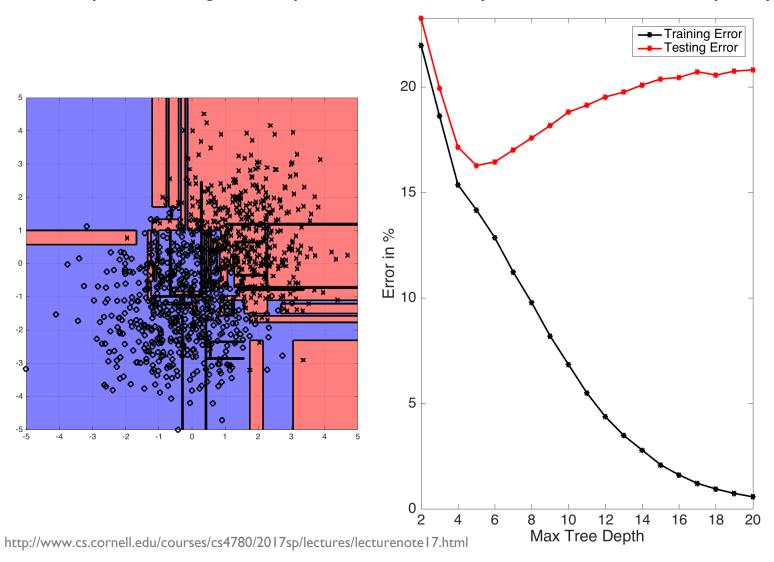


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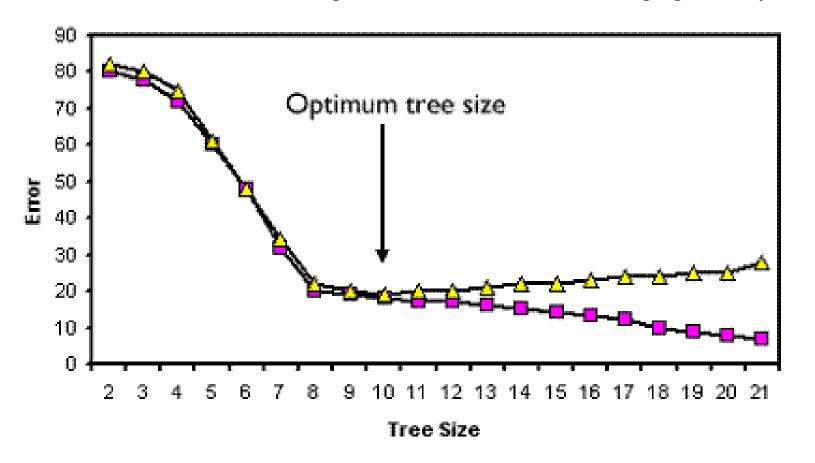
Pruning

- Aggregate some child node into a parent node to avoid over-fitting
- Pre-pruning: pruning is done during the tree construction
- Post-pruning: Once a full-tree is constructed, nodes are pruned by taking the validation error and tree complexity

• Recursive partitioning is completed when every leaf node has 100% purity

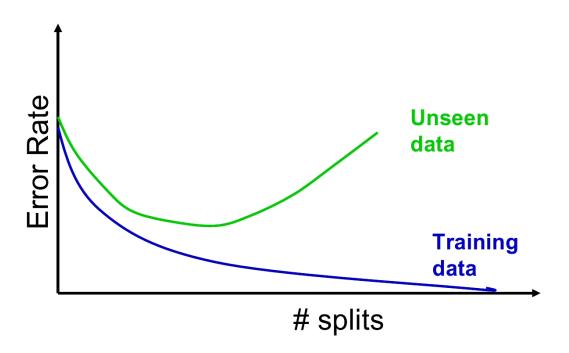


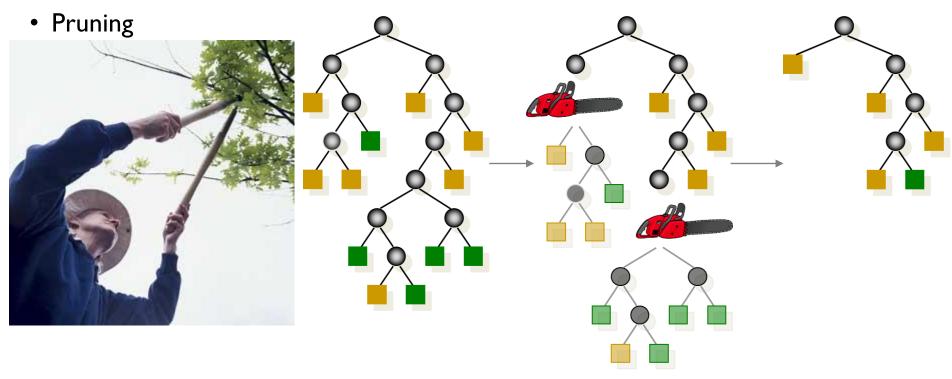
- Full tree which is a result of recursive partitioning has a risk of overfitting, which in turn, results in poor generalization ability
 - ✓ It tends to memorize the training dataset, rather than discovering significant patterns



Overfitting problem

- √ The end of recursive partitioning process is 100% purity in each leaf
- ✓ It over-fits the data, ending up fitting noise in the data and leading to low predictive accuracy of new data
- ✓ Past a certain point, the error rate for the validation data starts to increase





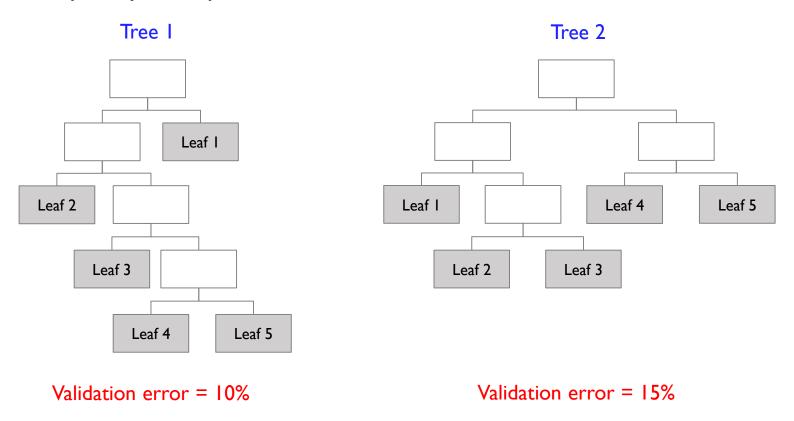
- ✓ CART lets tree grow to full extent, then prunes it back.
- ✓ Idea is to find that point at which the validation error begins to rise.
- ✓ Generate successively smaller trees by pruning leaves.
- ✓ At each pruning stage, multiple trees are possible.
- ✓ Use "cost complexity" to choose the best tree at that stage.

Cost complexity

$$CC(T) = Err(T) + \alpha \times L(T)$$

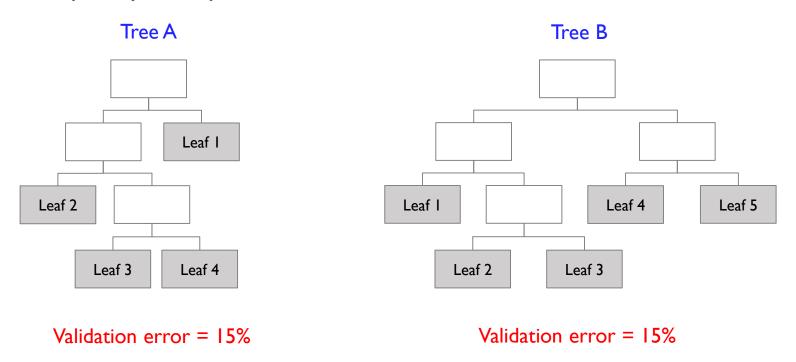
- \checkmark CC(T) = cost complexity of a tree
- \checkmark ERR(T) = proportion of misclassified records in the validation data
- ✓ Alpha = penalty factor attached to the tree size (set by the user)

Cost Complexity Example 1



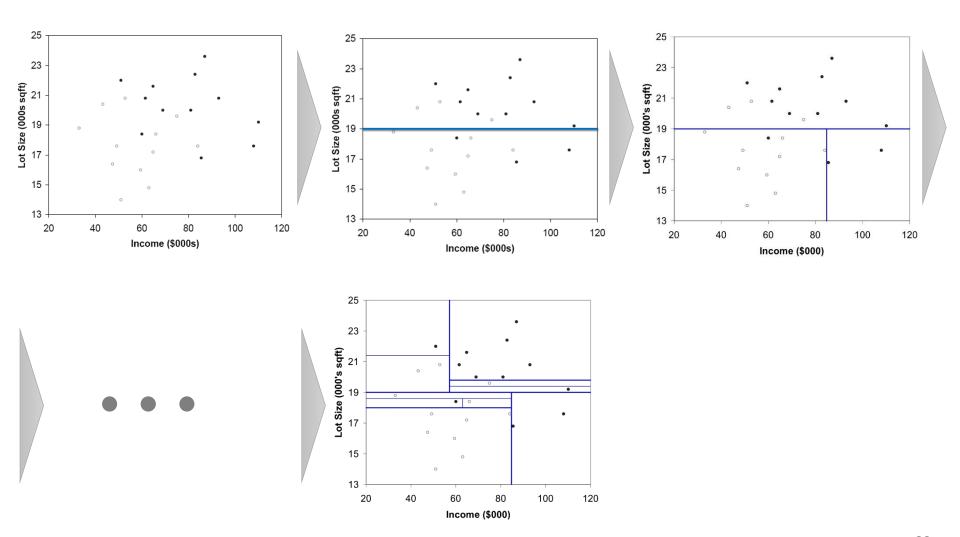
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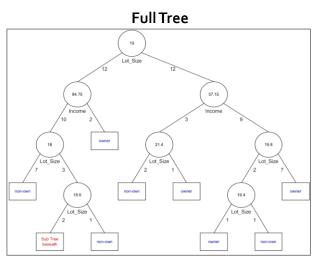


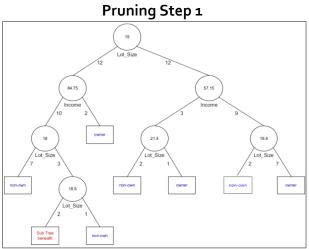
√ Two trees yield the same validation error, but Tree A has fewer leaf nodes (simpler tree structure) → Tree A should be preferred

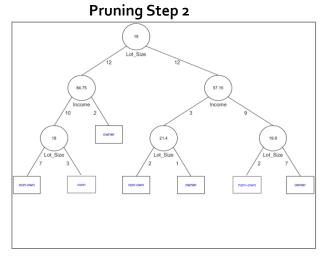
• Full tree constructed by recursive partitioning

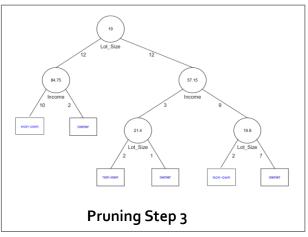


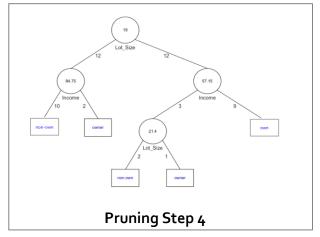
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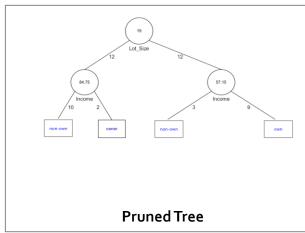




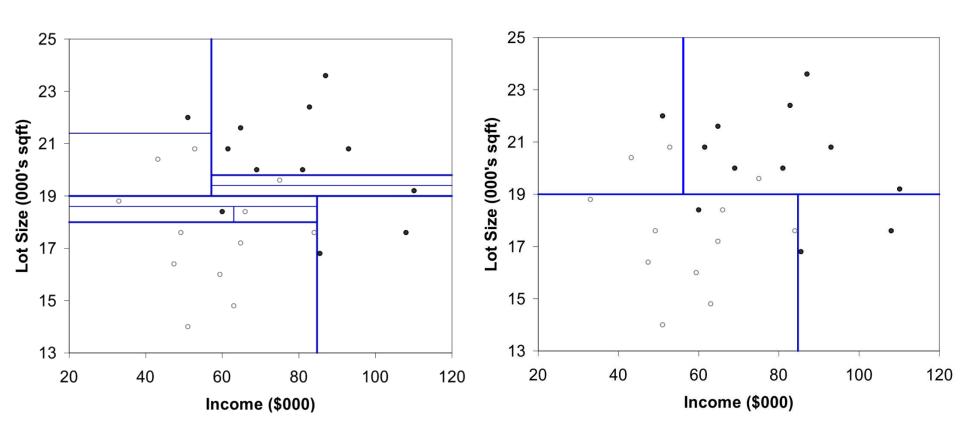








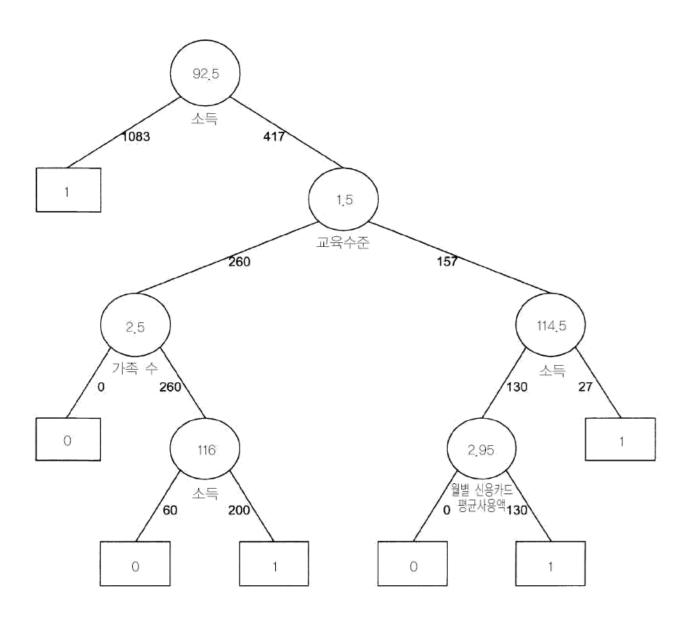
• Full tree vs. Pruned tree



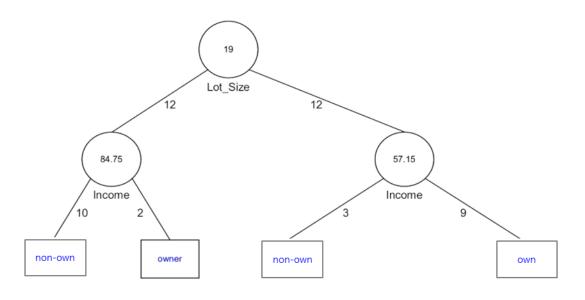
- Example: Universal bank
 - ✓ Goal: to analyze what combination of factors make a customer more likely to accept
 a personal loan

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|----------|----|----|-----|------|---------------------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|
| 1 | 25 | 1 | 49 | 4 | 1.60 | UG | 0 | No | Yes | No | No | No |
| 2 | 45 | 19 | 34 | 3 | 1.50 | UG | 0 | No | Yes | No | No | No |
| 3 | 39 | 15 | 11 | 1 | 1.00 | UG | 0 | No | No | No | No | No |
| 4 | 35 | 9 | 100 | 1 | 2.70 | Grad | 0 | No | No | No | No | No |
| 5 | 35 | 8 | 45 | 4 | 1.00 | Grad | 0 | No | No | No | No | Yes |
| 6 | 37 | 13 | 29 | 4 | 0.40 | Grad | 155 | No | No | No | Yes | No |
| 7 | 53 | 27 | 72 | 2 | 1.50 | Grad | 0 | No | No | No | Yes | No |
| 8 | 50 | 24 | 22 | 1 | 0.30 | Prof | 0 | No | No | No | No | Yes |
| 9 | 35 | 10 | 81 | 3 | 0.60 | Grad | 104 | No | No | No | Yes | No |
| 10 | 34 | 9 | 180 | 1 | 8.90 | Prof | 0 | Yes | No | No | No | No |
| 11 | 65 | 39 | 105 | 4 | 2.40 | Prof | 0 | No | No | No | No | No |
| 12 | 29 | 5 | 45 | 3 | 0.10 | Grad | 0 | No | No | No | Yes | No |
| 13 | 48 | 23 | 114 | 2 | 3.80 | Prof | 0 | No | Yes | No | No | No |
| 14 | 59 | 32 | 40 | 4 | 2.50 | Grad | 0 | No | No | No | Yes | No |
| 15 | 67 | 41 | 112 | 1 | 2.00 | UG | 0 | No | Yes | No | No | No |
| 16 | 60 | 30 | 22 | 1 | 1.50 | Prof | 0 | No | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| 17 | 38 | 14 | 130 | 4 | 4.70 | Prof | 134 | Yes | No | No | No | No |
| 18 | 42 | 18 | 81 | 4 | 2.40 | UG | 0 | No | No | No | No | No |
| 19 | 46 | 21 | 193 | 2 | 8.10 | Prof | 0 | Yes | No | No | No | No |
| 20 | 55 | 28 | 21 | 1 | 0.50 | Grad | 0 | No | Yes | No | No | Yes |

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| 38 | 0.12 | 2.2 |
| 37 | 0.16 | 2.066667 |
| 36 | 0.2 | 2.066667 |
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Generating the rules from the pruned tree

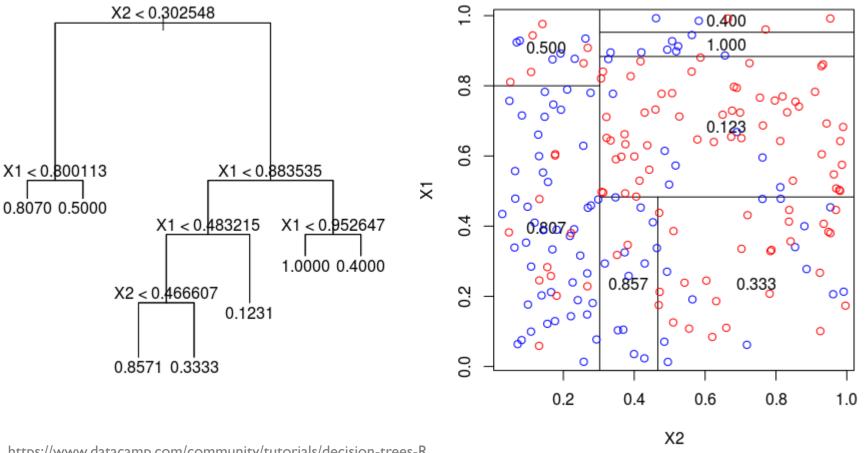


- IF(Lot size < 19) AND IF(Income < 84.75) THEN Owner = No
- IF(Lot size < 19) AND IF(Income > 84.75) THEN Owner = YES
- IF(Lot size > 19) AND IF(Income < 57.15) THEN Owner = NO
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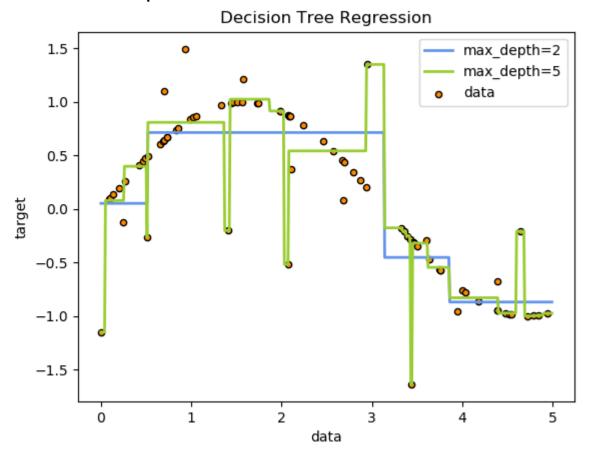
AGENDA

- 01 Classification Tree
- 02 Regression Tree

- The output of a leaf (terminal) node
 - ✓ The average of the target values of the observations in the node

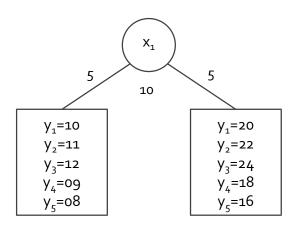


- The output of a leaf (terminal) node
 - √ The average of the target values of the observations in the node
 - √ Regression tree example



Similar process with classification tree except

- Prediction of the node
 - √ The average of the outcome variables belonging to the node.



- Predicted value of the left leaf node = 10
- Predicted value of the right leaf node = 20

- Impurity
 - ✓ Sum of squared error (SSE: $\sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i \hat{y})^2$)
 - \checkmark SSE(Parent) = 300, SSE(Left) = 10, SSE(Right) = 40, Gain = 250

• Predict the selling price of Toyota corolla



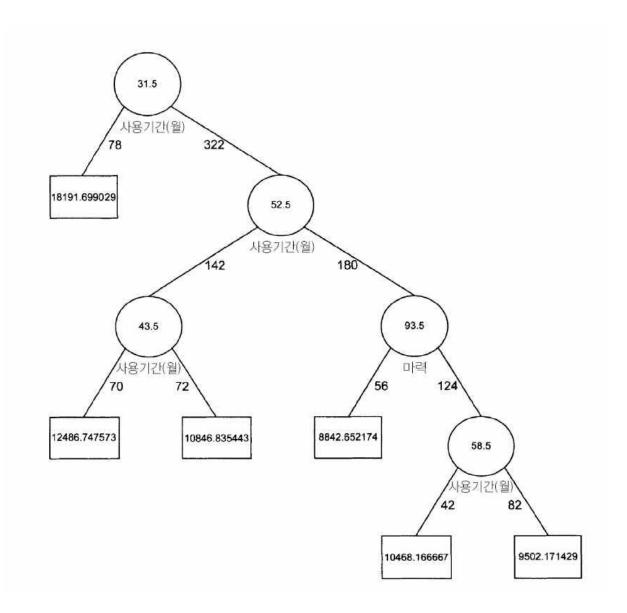


Dependent variable (target)

Independent variables (attributes, features)

| Variable | Description | | |
|---------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| Price | Offer Price in EUROs | | |
| Age_08_04 | Age in months as in August 2004 | | |
| KM | Accumulated Kilometers on odometer | | |
| Fuel_Type | Fuel Type (Petrol, Diesel, CNG) | | |
| HP | Horse Power | | |
| Met_Color | Metallic Color? (Yes=1, No=0) | | |
| Automatic | Automatic ((Yes=1, No=0) | | |
| CC | Cylinder Volume in cubic centimeters | | |
| Doors | Number of doors | | |
| Quarterly_Tax | Quarterly road tax in EUROs | | |
| Weight | Weight in Kilograms | | |

• Pruned Tree



CART: Summary

Advantages

- √ Classification and regression tree (CART) is easy to use and understand
- ✓ Produce rules that are easy to interpret & implement
- √ Variable selection & reduction is automatic.
- ✓ Do not require the assumptions of statistical models
- √ Can work without extensive handling of missing data

Disadvantages

- ✓ May not perform well where there is structure in the data that is not well captured
 by horizontal or vertical split
- ✓ Since the process deals with "one variable at a time", no way to capture interactions between variables

CART: Summary

