

# Flights - Decision Trees

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```
library(hflights)
library(rattle)
library(rpart.plot)
library(ggplot2)
library(dplyr)
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## 1. Cleaning data

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hflights <- hflights %>% na.omit()
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## 2. Exploring data

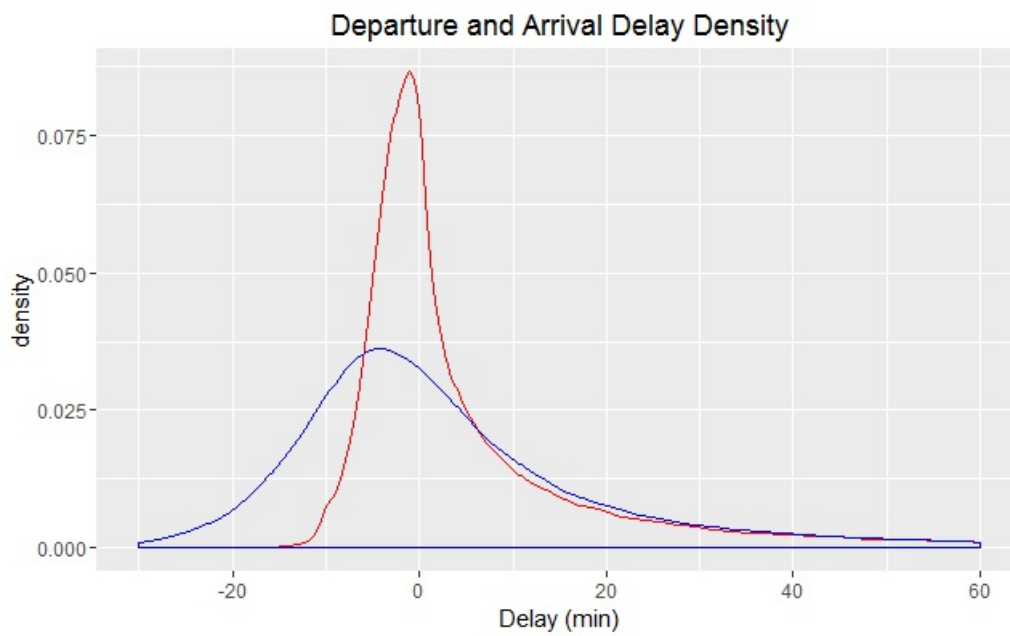
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str(hflights)
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'data.frame':  223874 obs. of  23 variables:
 $ Year      : int  2011 2011 2011 2011 2011 2011 2011 2011 2011 2011 2011 ...
 $ Month     : int   1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1 ...
 $ DayofMonth: int   1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9 10 ...
 $ DayOfWeek : int   6  7  1  2  3  4  5  6  7  1 ...
 $ DepTime   : int  1400 1401 1352 1403 1405 1359 1359 1355 1443 1443 ...
 $ ArrTime   : int  1500 1501 1502 1513 1507 1503 1509 1454 1554 1553 ...
 $ UniqueCarrier : chr  "AA" "AA" "AA" "AA" ...
 $ FlightNum   : int  428 428 428 428 428 428 428 428 428 428 ...
 $ TailNum     : chr  "N576AA" "N557AA" "N541AA" "N403AA" ...
 $ ActualElapsedTime: int  60 60 70 70 62 64 70 59 71 70 ...
 $ AirTime     : int  40 45 48 39 44 45 43 40 41 45 ...
 $ ArrDelay    : int  -10 -9 -8 3 -3 -7 -1 -16 44 43 ...
 $ DepDelay    : int   0  1 -8 3 5 -1 -1 -5 43 43 ...
 $ Origin      : chr  "IAH" "IAH" "IAH" "IAH" ...
 $ Dest        : chr  "DFW" "DFW" "DFW" "DFW" ...
 $ Distance    : int  224 224 224 224 224 224 224 224 224 224 ...
 $ TaxiIn      : int   7  6  5  9  9  6 12  7  8  6 ...
 $ TaxiOut     : int  13  9 17 22  9 13 15 12 22 19 ...
 $ Cancelled   : int   0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0 ...
 $ CancellationCode : chr  "" "" "" "" ...
 $ Diverted    : int   0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0 ...
 $ DepDelay60  : Factor w/ 2 levels "FALSE","TRUE": 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
 $ ArrDelay60  : logi  FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE ...
 - attr(*, "na.action")=Class 'omit'  Named int [1:3622] 195 211 253 284 324 336 348 416 425 535 ...
 .. ..- attr(*, "names")= chr [1:3622] "33074" "35264" "39463" "50174" ...
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```
ggplot() +
  geom_density(aes(x=DepDelay), colour="red", data=hflights[(hflights$DepDelay<=60 & hflights$DepDelay >= -30),]) +
  geom_density(aes(x=ArrDelay), colour="blue", data=hflights[(hflights$ArrDelay<=60 & hflights$ArrDelay >= -30),]) +
  labs(x="Delay (min)") +
  ggtitle("Departure and Arrival Delay Density")
```

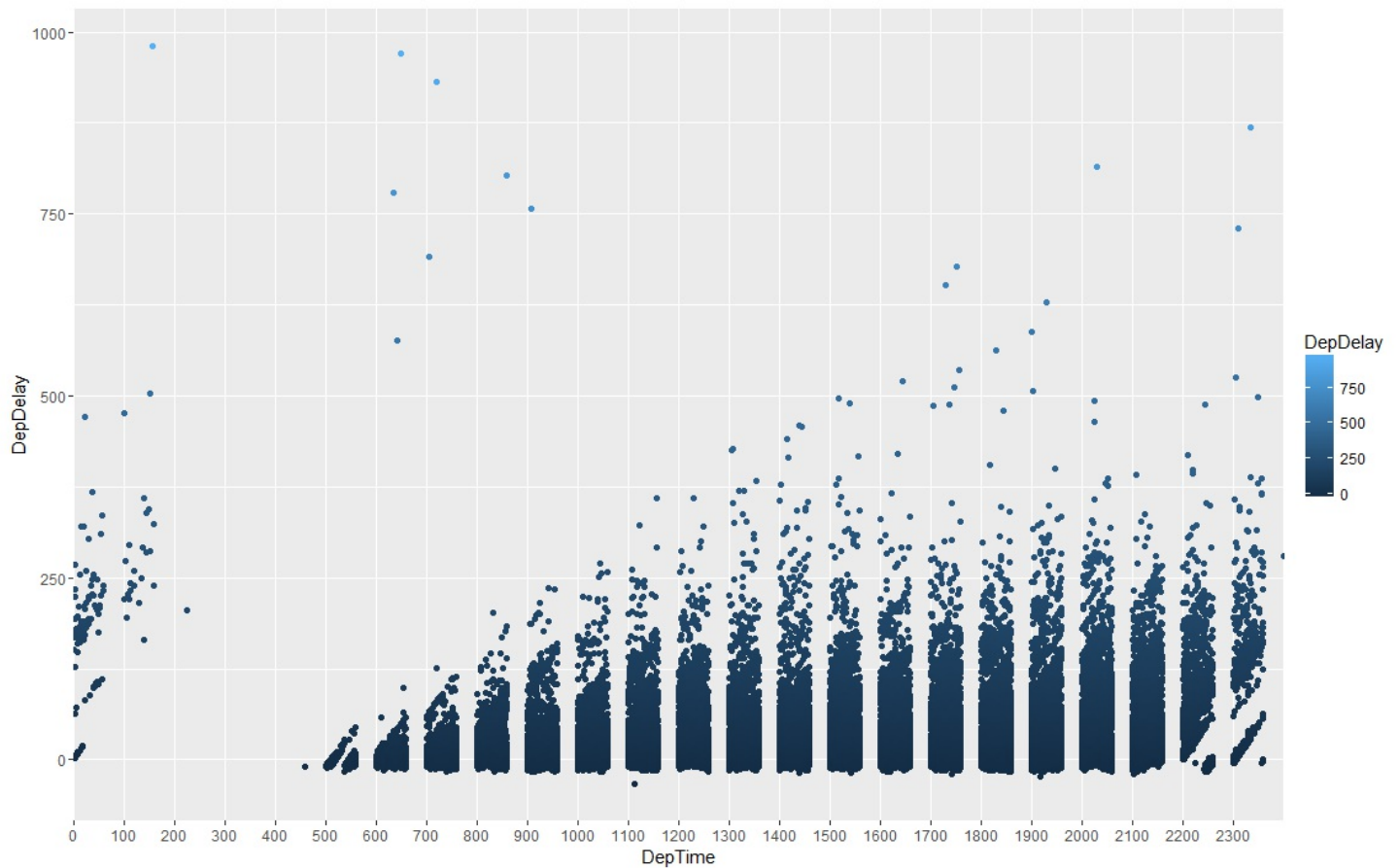
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Departure delay plot

```
ggplot(hflights, aes(DepTime, DepDelay)) + geom_point(aes(colour = DepDelay)) +  
  scale_x_discrete(limits=c(0:2359), breaks = seq(0, 2359, 100))
```

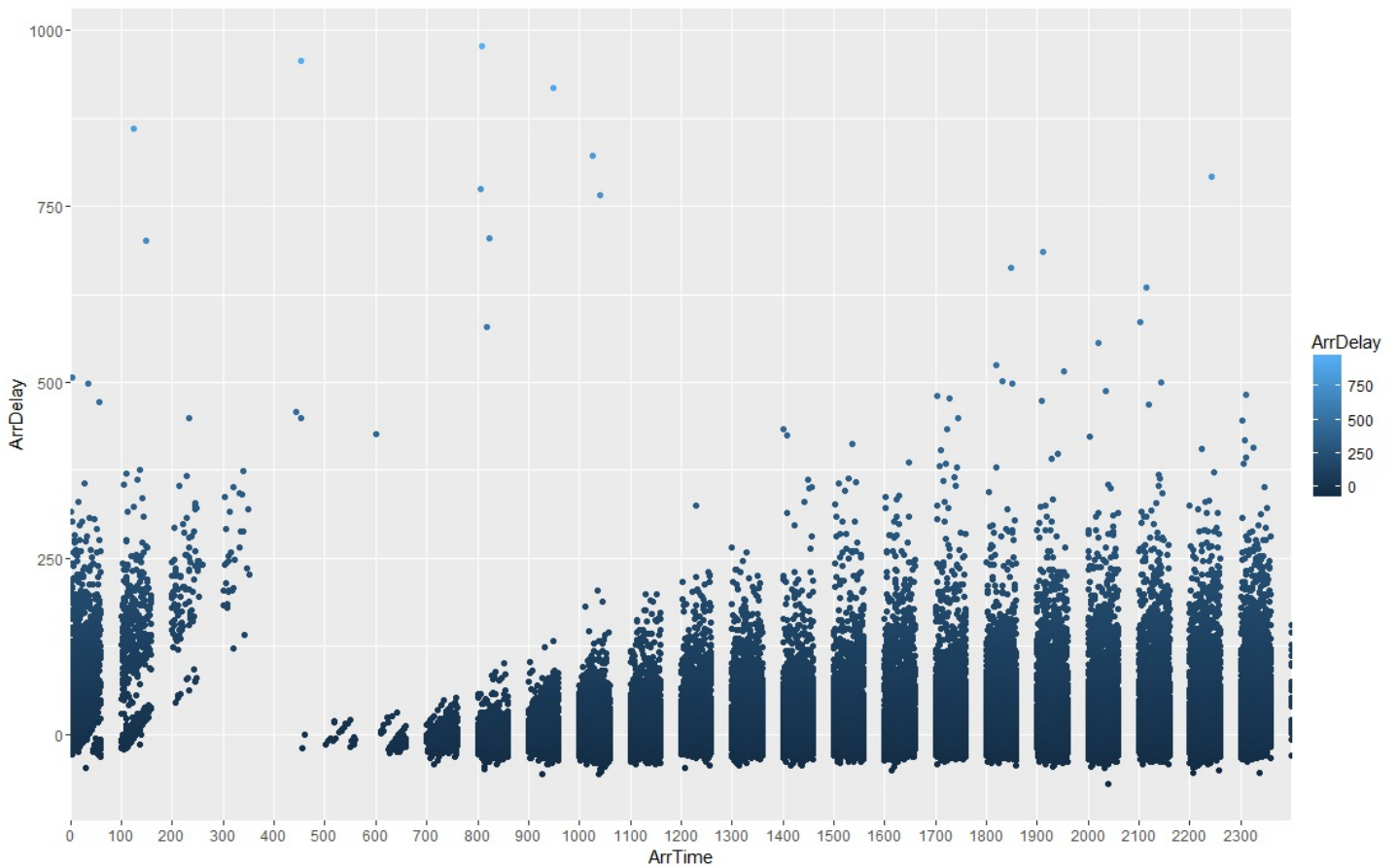
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Arrival delay plot

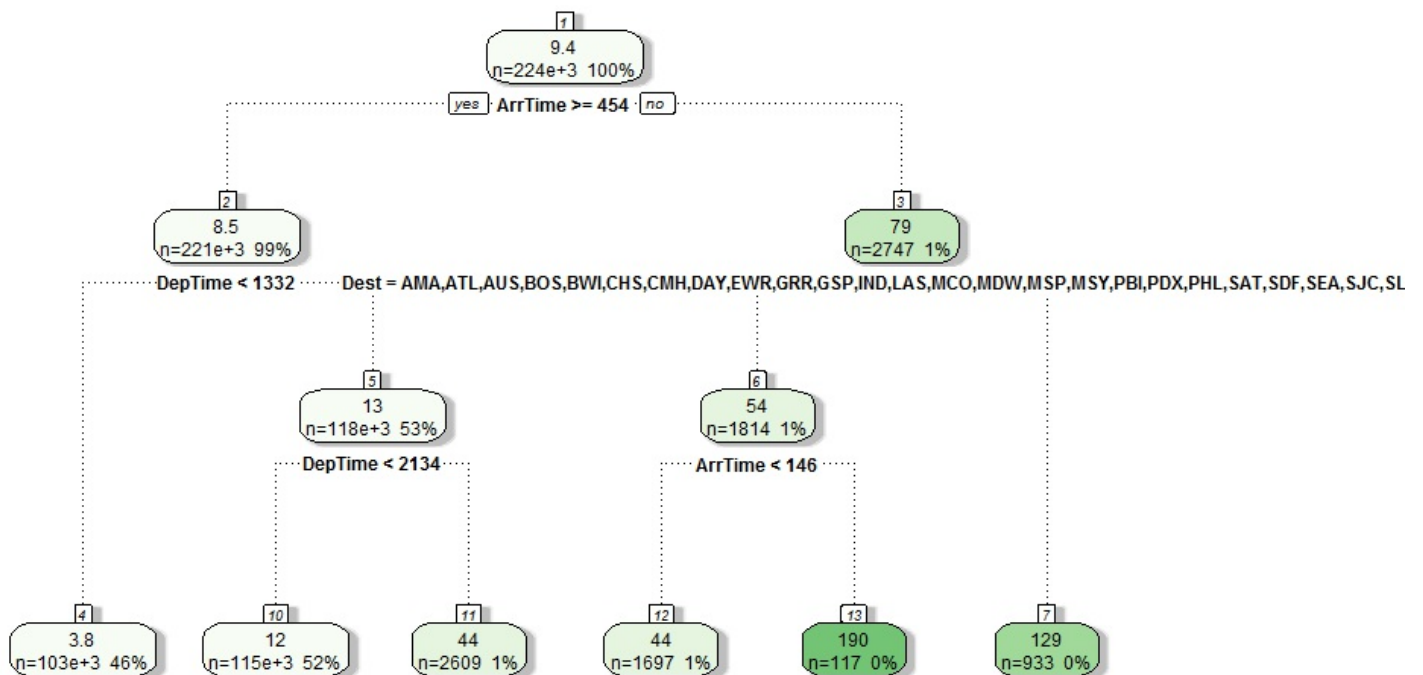
```
ggplot(hflights, aes(ArrTime, ArrDelay)) + geom_point(aes(colour = ArrDelay)) +  
  scale_x_discrete(limits=c(0:2359), breaks = seq(0, 2359, 100)) +  
  scale_fill_distiller(palette = "Spectral")
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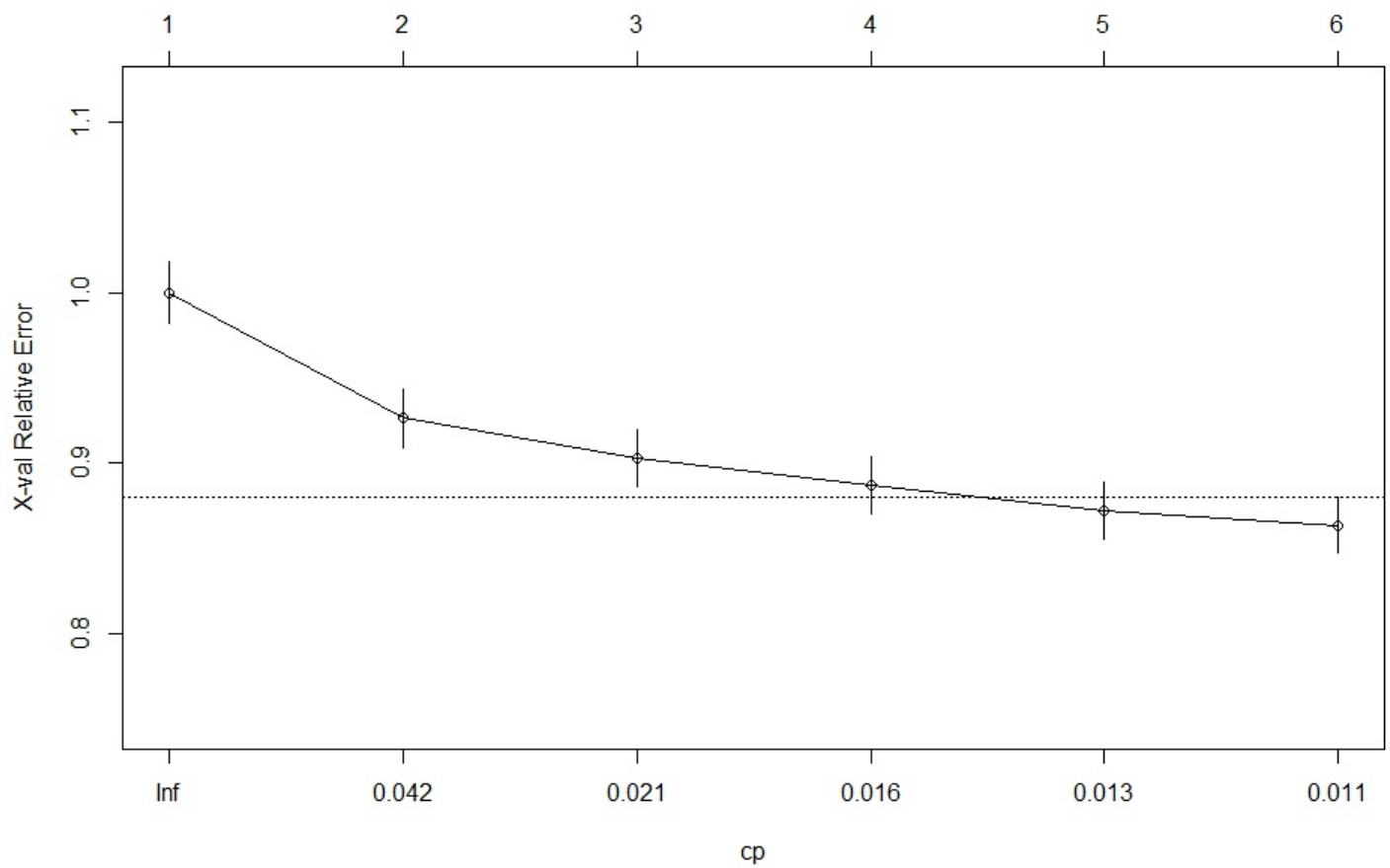
### 3. Departure delay – regression tree

```
formula = DepDelay ~ Month + DayofMonth + DayOfWeek + DepTime + ArrTime + UniqueCarrier + FlightNum + ActualElapsedTime + AirTime + Origin + Dest + Distance + TaxiIn + TaxiOut
set.seed(7)
fit <- rpart(formula, data=hflights, method="anova")
fancyRpartPlot(fit)
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plotcp(fit)
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fit$cpstable[which.min(fit$cpstable[, "xerror"]), "CP"]
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[1] 0.01
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printcp(fit)
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```
Regression tree:
rpart(formula = formula, data = hflights, method = "anova")
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Variables actually used in tree construction:
[1] ArrTime DepTime Dest
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Root node error: 184941788/223874 = 826.1
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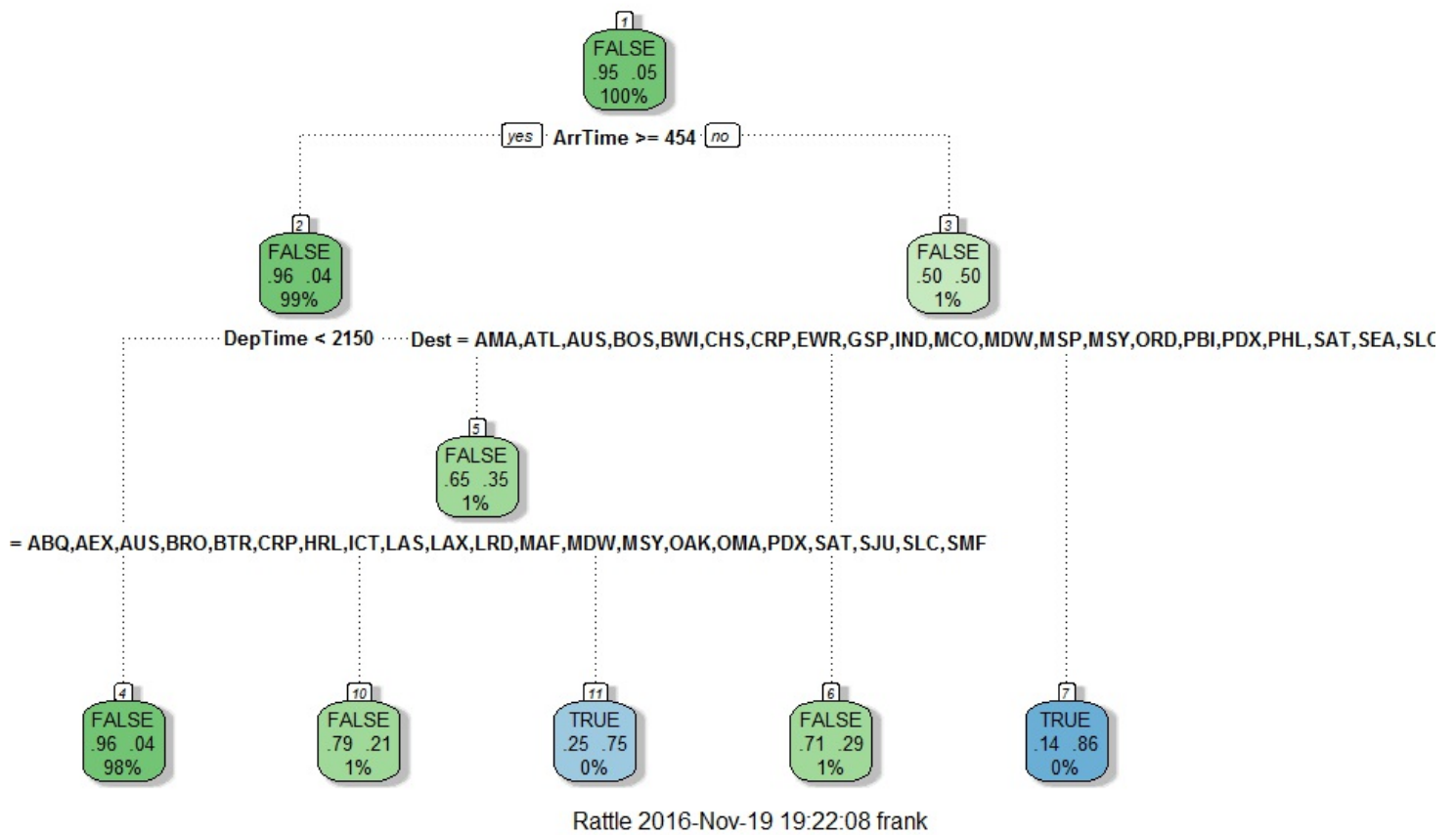
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n= 223874
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	CP	nsplit	rel error	xerror	xstd
1	0.073730	0	1.00000	1.00001	0.018194
2	0.023598	1	0.92627	0.92638	0.017066
3	0.018898	2	0.90267	0.90282	0.016942
4	0.014286	3	0.88377	0.88718	0.016945
5	0.012465	4	0.86949	0.87223	0.016848
6	0.010000	5	0.85702	0.86349	0.016399

## 4. Departure delay longer than 1 hour – classification tree

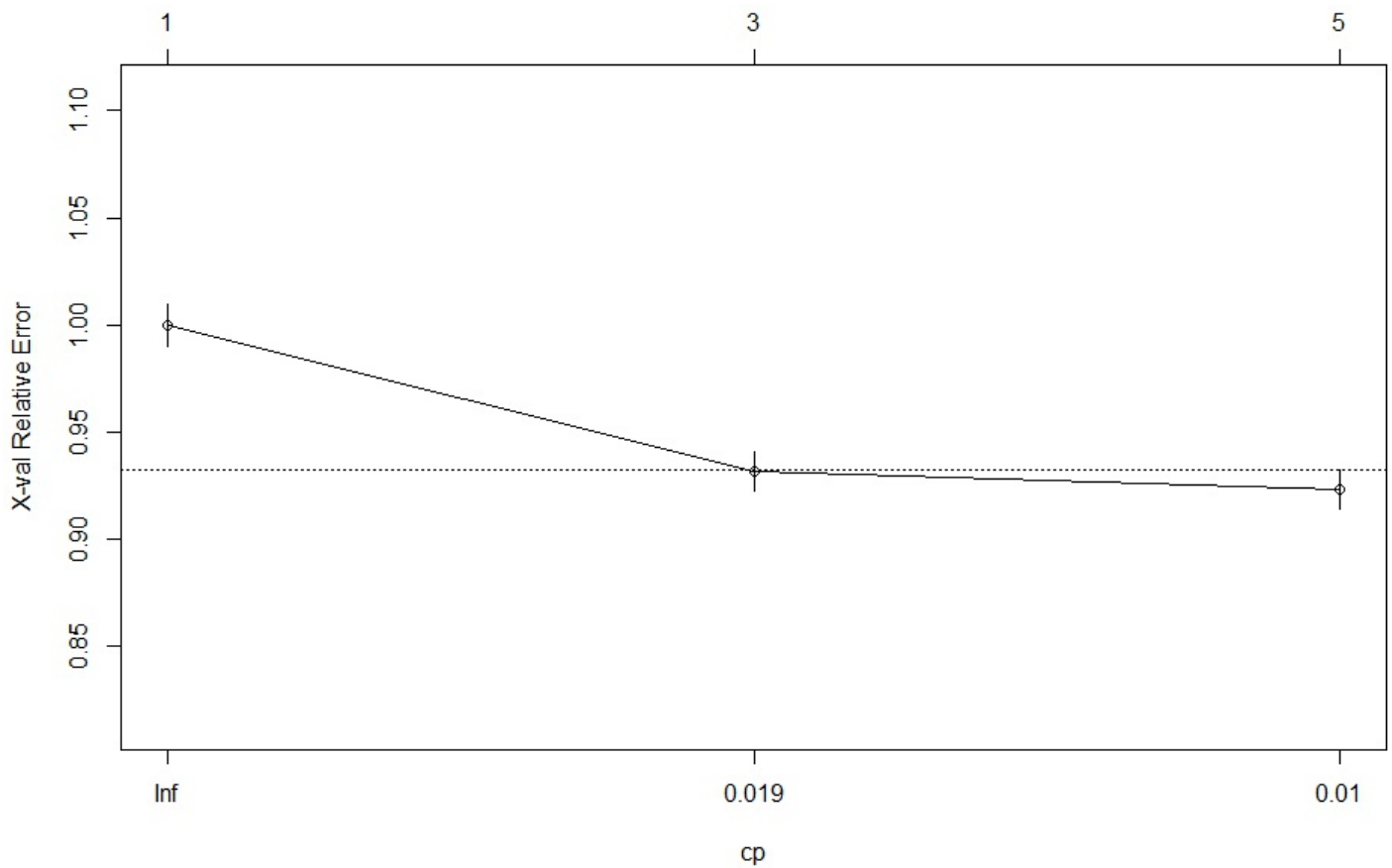
```
hflights$DepDelay60 <- hflights$DepDelay > 60
formula = DepDelay60 ~ Month + DayofMonth + DayOfWeek + DepTime + ArrTime + UniqueCarrier + FlightNum + Actual
ElapsedTime + AirTime + Origin + Dest + Distance + TaxiIn + TaxiOut
set.seed(7)
fit <- rpart(formula, data=hflights, method="class")
fancyRpartPlot(fit)
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plotcp(fit)
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fit$cpstable[which.min(fit$cpstable[, "xerror"]), "CP"]
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[1] 0.01
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printcp(fit)
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Classification tree:
rpart(formula = formula, data = hflights, method = "class")
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Variables actually used in tree construction:
[1] ArrTime DepTime Dest
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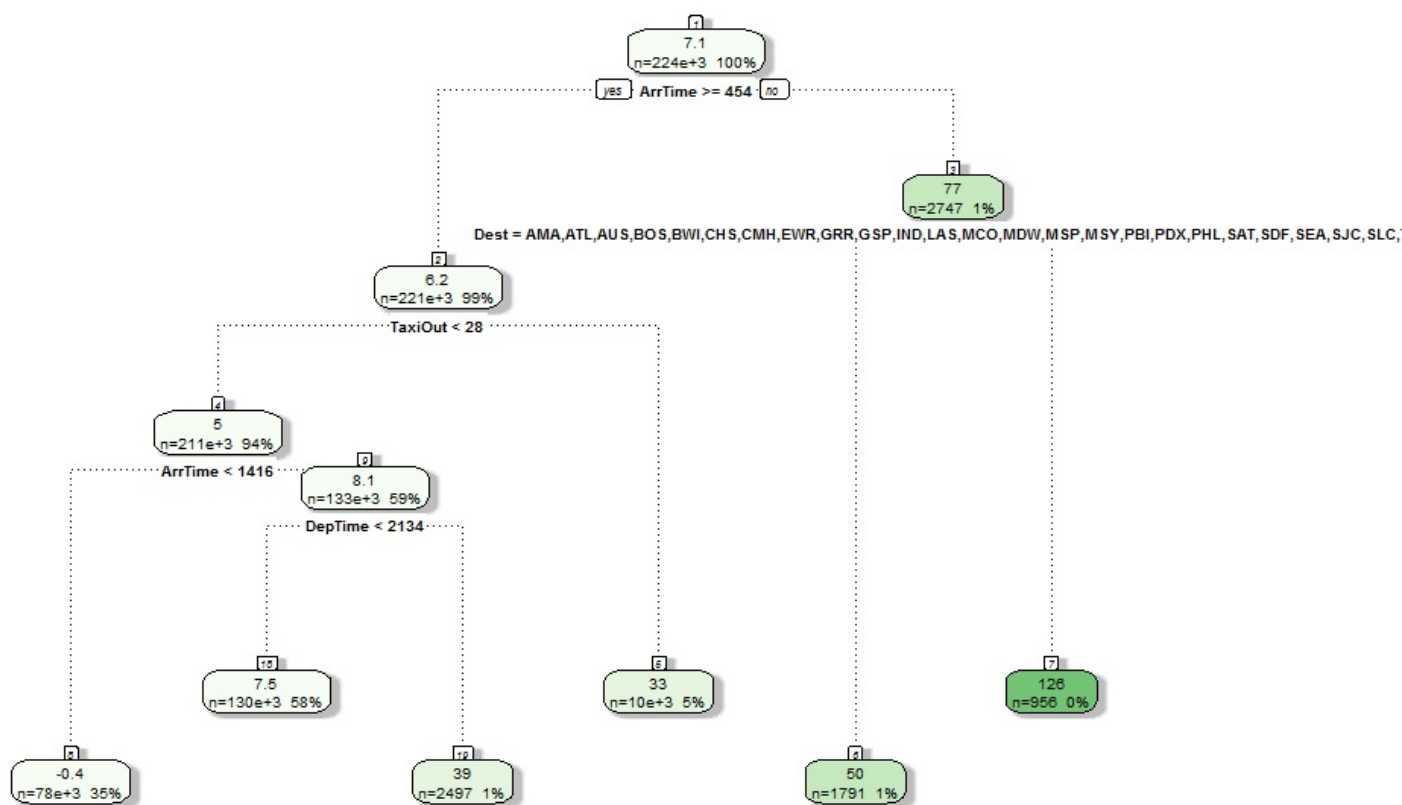
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Root node error: 10164/223874 = 0.045401
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n= 223874
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	CP	nsplit	rel error	xerror	xstd
1	0.034878	0	1.00000	1.00000	0.0096912
2	0.010527	2	0.93024	0.93172	0.0093697
3	0.010000	4	0.90919	0.92326	0.0093289

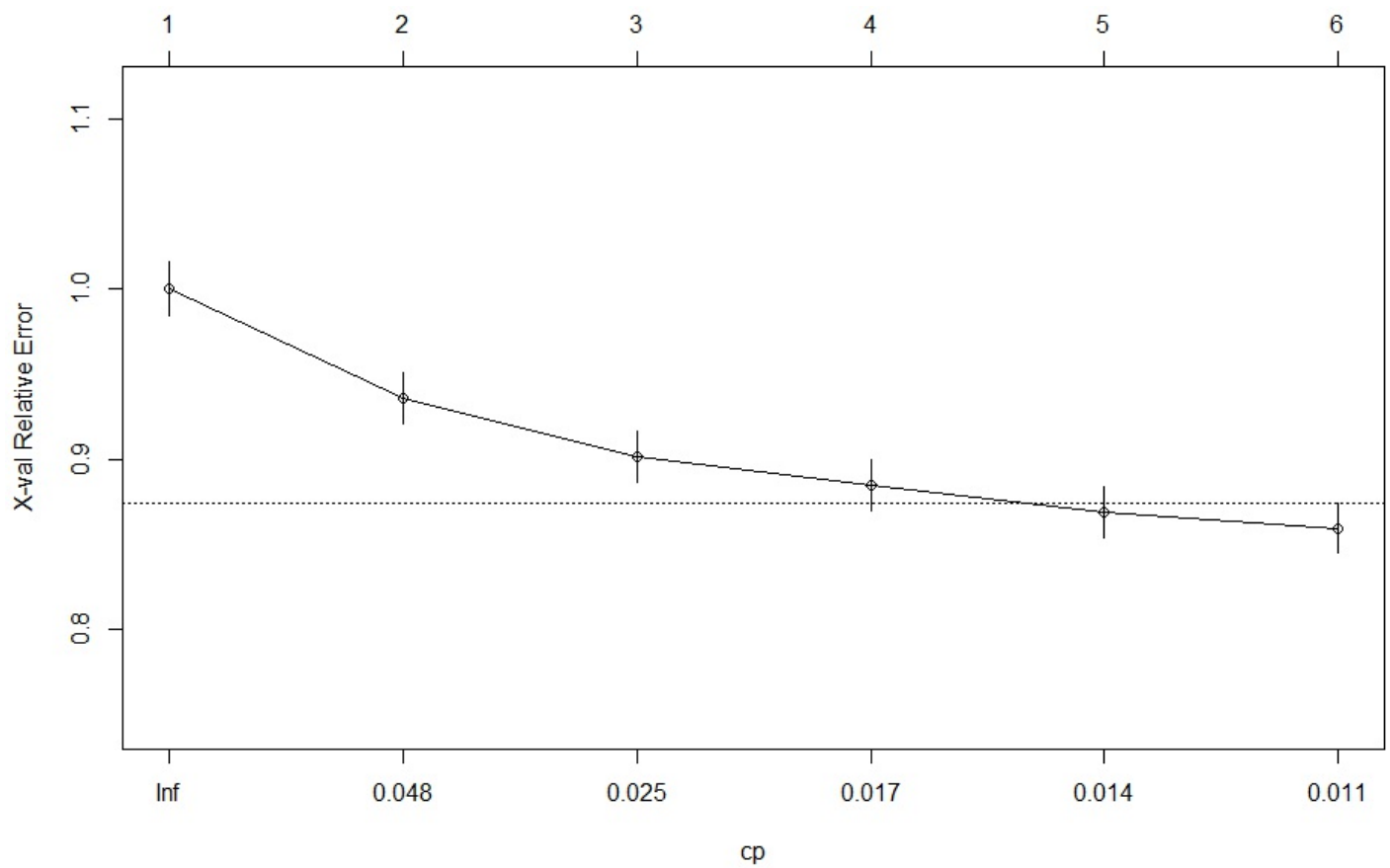
## 5. Arrival delay – regresion tree

```
formula = ArrDelay ~ Month + DayofMonth + DayOfWeek + DepTime + ArrTime + UniqueCarrier + FlightNum + ActualElapsedTime + AirTime + Origin + Dest + Distance + TaxiIn + TaxiOut
set.seed(7)
fit <- rpart(formula, data=hflights, method="anova")
fancyRpartPlot(fit)
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plotcp(fit)
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fit$cpstable[which.min(fit$cpstable[, "xerror"]), "CP"]
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```
[1] 0.01
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```
printcp(fit)
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```
Regression tree:
rpart(formula = formula, data = hflights, method = "anova")
```

```
Variables actually used in tree construction:
[1] ArrTime DepTime Dest TaxiOut
```

```
Root node error: 211115143/223874 = 943.01
```

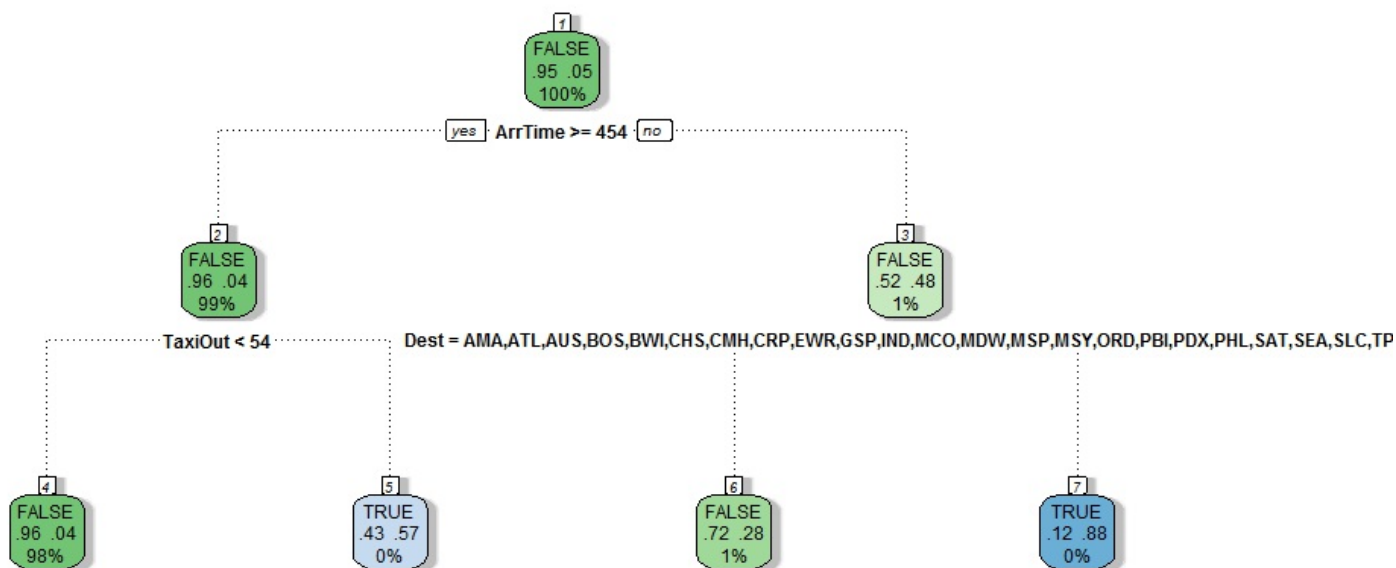
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n= 223874
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	CP	nsplit	rel error	xerror	xstd
1	0.064126	0	1.00000	1.00000	0.016036
2	0.035341	1	0.93587	0.93597	0.015133
3	0.017024	2	0.90053	0.90101	0.014982
4	0.016949	3	0.88351	0.88435	0.014937
5	0.011297	4	0.86656	0.86897	0.014888
6	0.010000	5	0.85526	0.85932	0.014821

## 6. Arrival delay longer than 1 hour – classification tree

```
hflights$ArrDelay60 <- hflights$ArrDelay > 60
formula = ArrDelay60 ~ Month + DayofMonth + DayOfWeek + DepTime + ArrTime + UniqueCarrier + FlightNum + Actual
ElapsedTime + AirTime + Origin + Dest + Distance + TaxiIn + TaxiOut
set.seed(7)
fit <- rpart(formula, data=hflights, method="class")
fancyRpartPlot(fit)
```

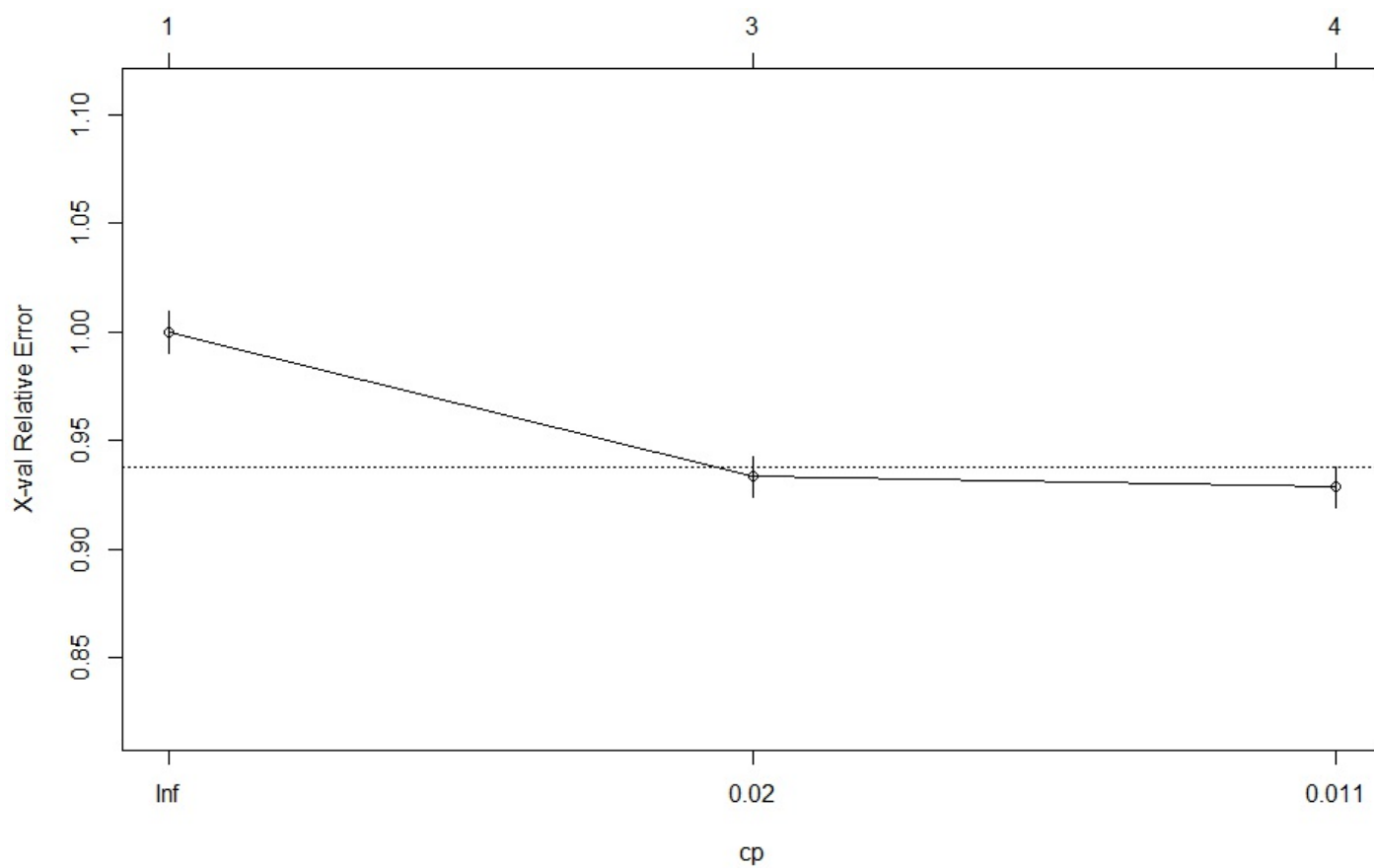
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plotcp(fit)

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fit$cpstable[which.min(fit$cpstable[, "xerror"]), "CP"]
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```
[1] 0.01
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```
printcp(fit)
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Classification tree:

```
rpart(formula = formula, data = hflights, method = "class")
```

Variables actually used in tree construction:

```
[1] ArrTime Dest      TaxiOut
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Root node error: 10337/223874 = 0.046173

n= 223874

	CP	nsplit	rel error	xerror	xstd
1	0.034633	0	1.00000	1.00000	0.0096059
2	0.011415	2	0.93073	0.93344	0.0092957
3	0.010000	3	0.91932	0.92870	0.0092731