# Data Mining Classification: Basic Concepts and Techniques

Lecture Notes for Chapter 3

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### **Classification: Definition**

- Given a collection of records (training set)
  - Each record is by characterized by a tuple (x,y), where x is the attribute set and y is the class label
    - ◆ x: attribute, predictor, independent variable, input
    - y: class, response, dependent variable, output

#### Task:

Learn a model that maps each attribute set x into one of the predefined class labels y

### **Examples of Classification Task**

Task	Attribute set, x	Class label, y
Categorizing email messages	Features extracted from email message header and content	spam or non-spam
Identifying tumor cells	Features extracted from x-rays or MRI scans	malignant or benign cells
Cataloging galaxies	Features extracted from telescope images	Elliptical, spiral, or irregular-shaped galaxies

### **Classification: Definition**

A **classification model** is an abstract representation of the relationship between the attribute set and the class label

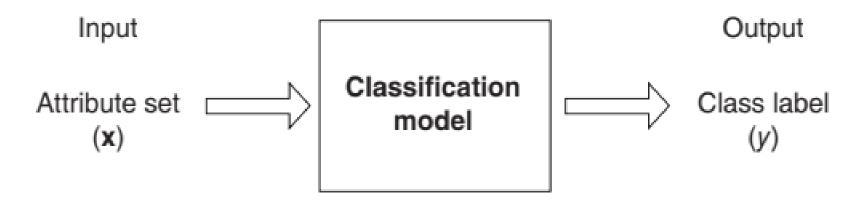


Figure 3.2. A schematic illustration of a classification task.

## **General Approach for Building Classification Model**

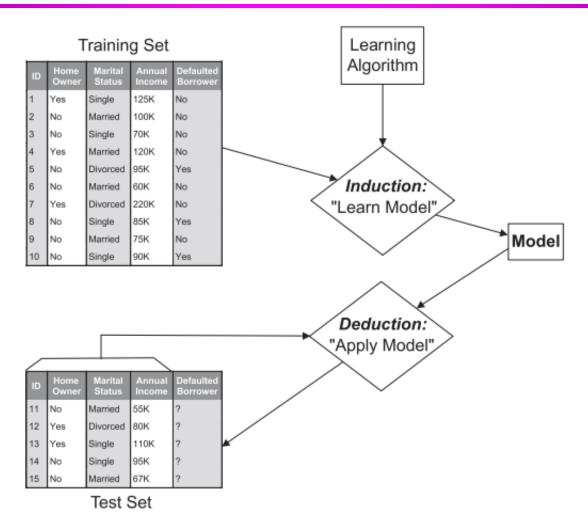


Figure 3.3. General framework for building a classification model.

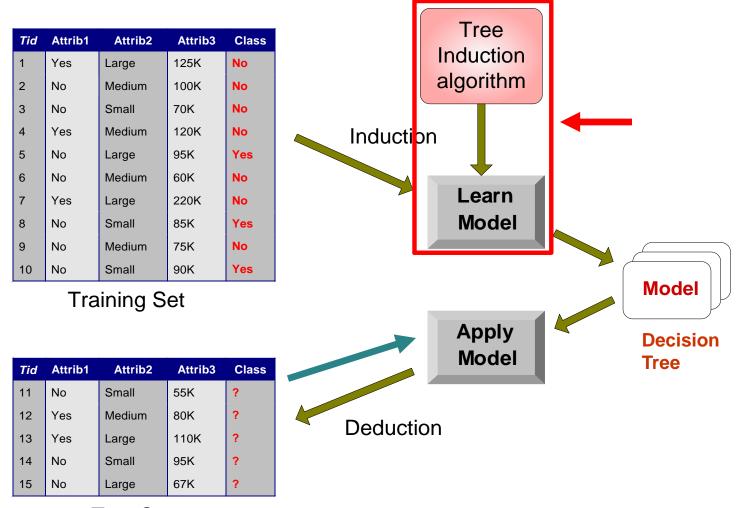
### **Classification: Definition**

- A classification model serves two important roles in data mining
  - It is used as a predictive model to classify previously unlabeled instances.
    - ◆ A good classification model must provide accurate predictions with a fast response time.
  - It serves as a descriptive model to identify the characteristics that distinguish instances from different classes.
    - ◆ This is particularly useful for critical applications, such as medical diagnosis, where it is insufficient to have a model that makes a prediction without justifying how it reaches such a decision.

### **Classification Techniques**

- Base Classifiers
  - Decision Tree based Methods
  - Rule-based Methods
  - Nearest-neighbor
  - Naïve Bayes
  - Support Vector Machines
  - etc.

### **Decision Tree Classification Task**



**Test Set** 

### **Example of a Decision Tree**

categorical continuous

ID	Home Owner	Marital Status	Annual Income	Defaulted Borrower
1	Yes	Single	125K	No
2	No	Married	100K	No
3	No	Single	70K	No
4	Yes	Married 120K		No
5	No	Divorced	95K	Yes
6	No	Married	60K	No
7	Yes	Divorced 220K		No
8	No	Single	85K	Yes
9	No	Married	75K	No
10	No	Single	90K	Yes

Splitting Attributes **Home Owner** Yes No NO **MarSt** Single, Divorced Married Income NO < 80k> 80K YES NO

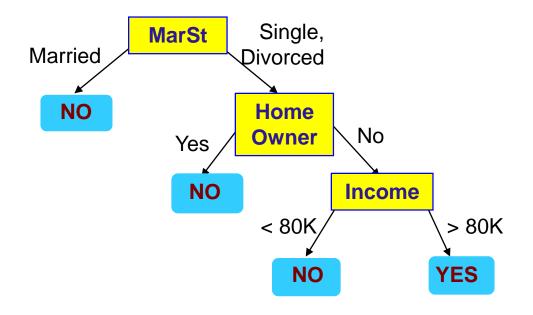
**Training Data** 

**Model: Decision Tree** 

### **Another Example of Decision Tree**

categorical continuous

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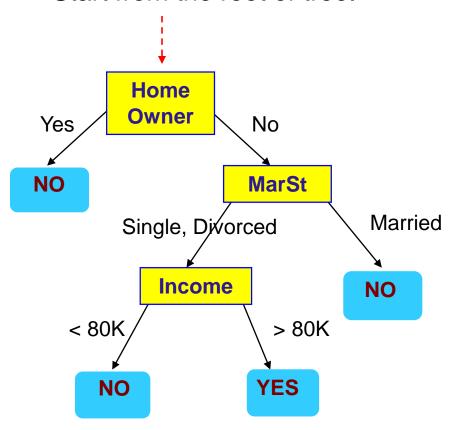


There could be more than one tree that fits the same data!

### **Important**

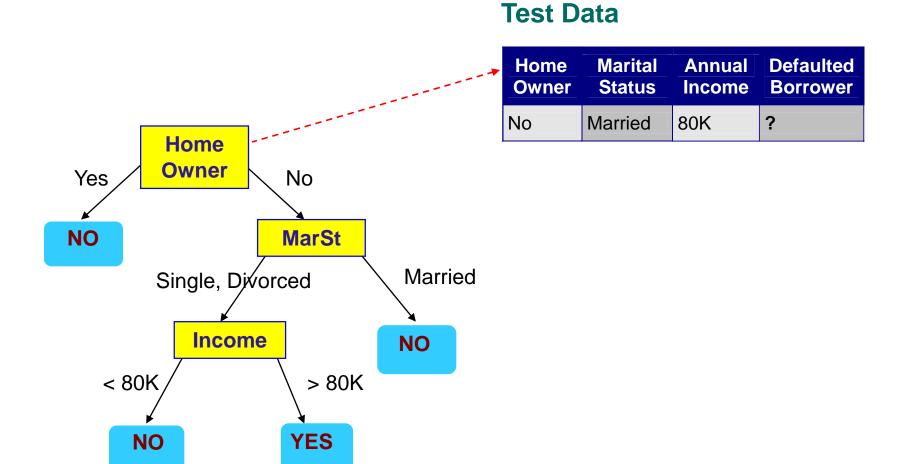
- Many possible decision trees can be constructed from a particular data set
- While some trees are better than others, finding an optimal one is computationally expensive due to the exponential size of the search space
- Efficient algorithms have been developed to induce a reasonably accurate, albeit suboptimal, decision tree in a reasonable amount of time
- These algorithms usually employ a greedy strategy to grow the decision tree in a top-down fashion by making a series of locally optimal decisions about which attribute to use when partitioning the training data

Start from the root of tree.

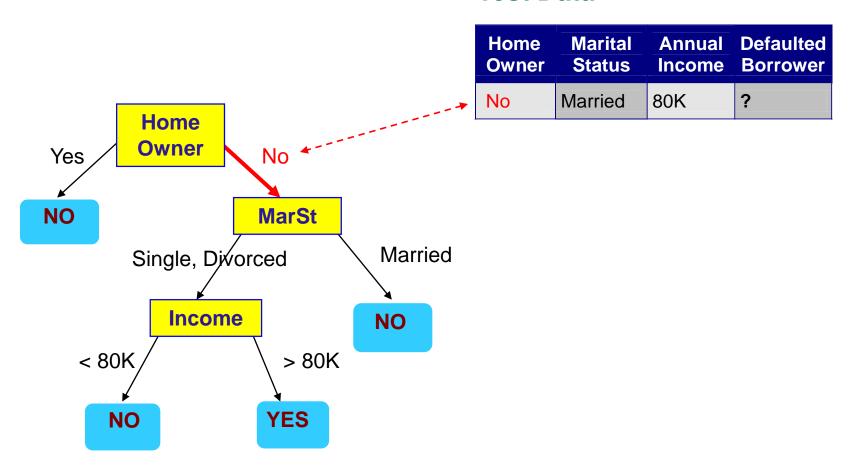


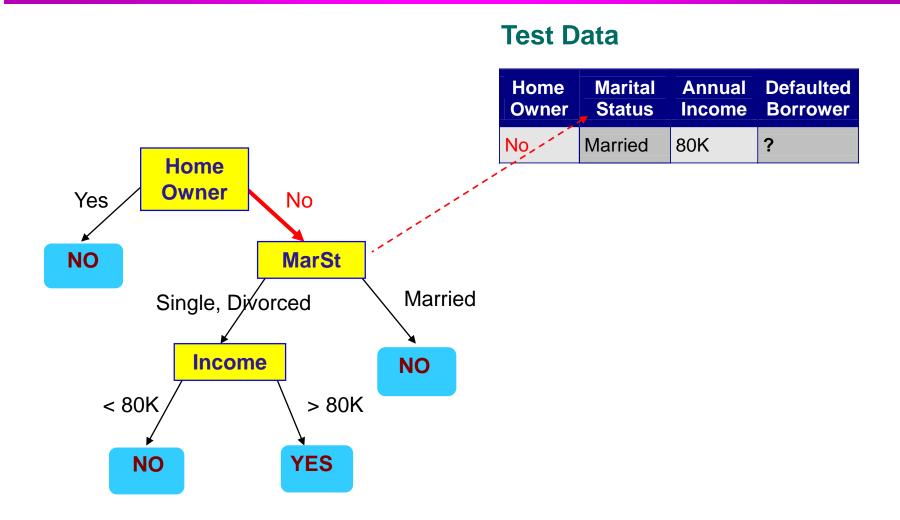
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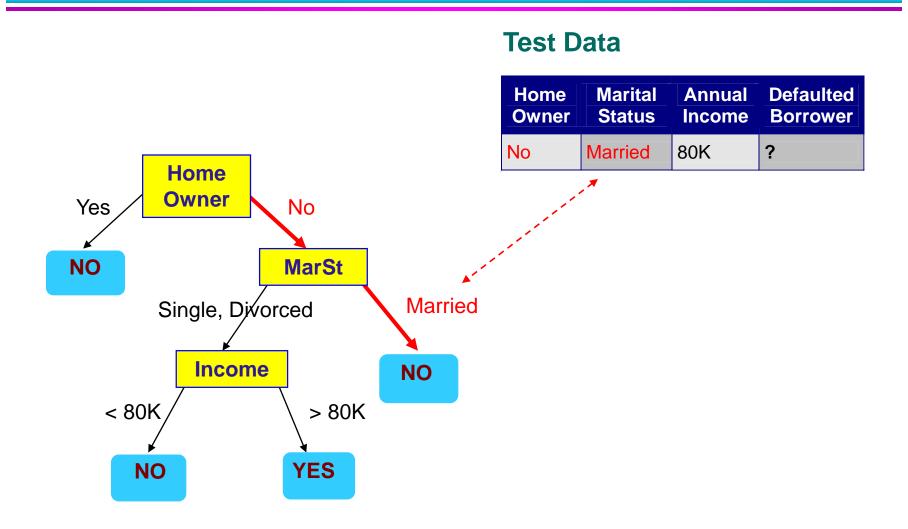
Home Owner			Defaulted Borrower
No	Married	80K	?

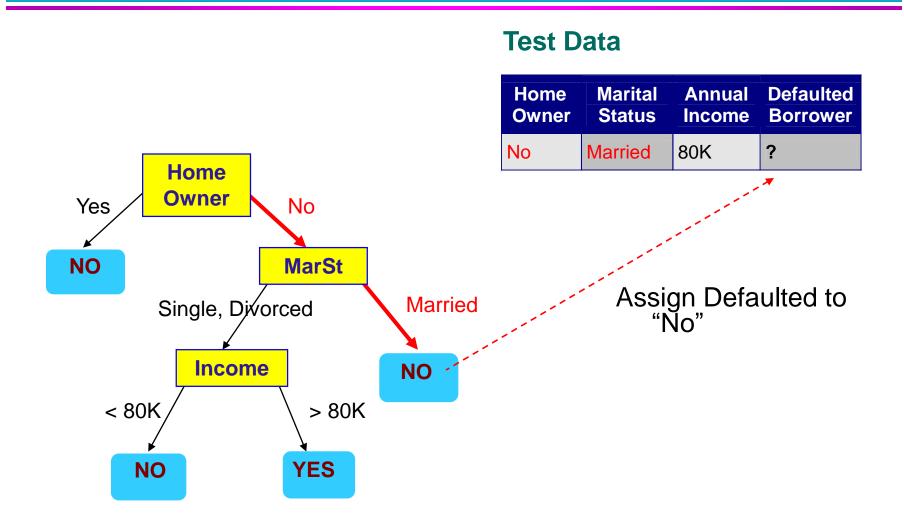


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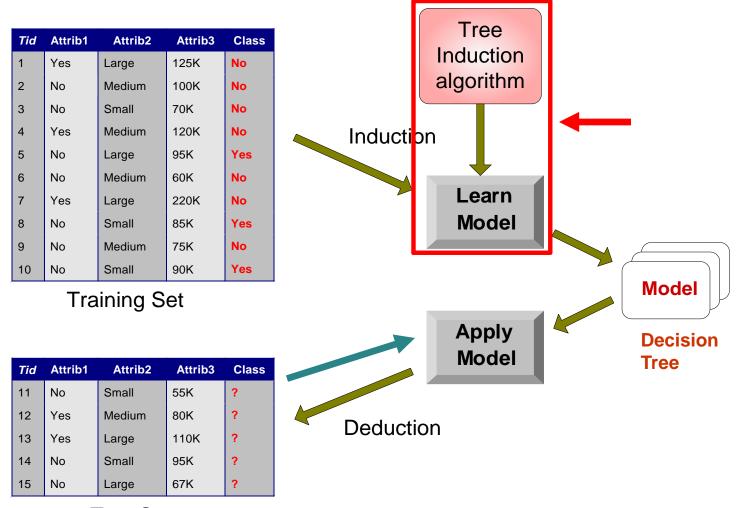








### **Decision Tree Classification Task**



**Test Set** 

### **Decision Tree Induction**

- Many Algorithms:
  - Hunt's Algorithm (one of the earliest)
    - The basis for many current implementations of decision tree classifiers
      - It is possible to see some of the design issues that must be considered when building a decision tree
      - It is a generic procedure for growing decision trees in a greedy fashion
  - CART
  - ID3, C4.5

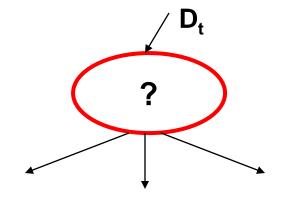
### **General Structure of Hunt's Algorithm**

 Let D<sub>t</sub> be the set of training records that reach a node t

#### General Procedure:

- If D<sub>t</sub> contains records that belong the same class y<sub>t</sub>, then t is a leaf node labeled as y<sub>t</sub>
- If D<sub>t</sub> contains records that belong to more than one class, use an attribute test to split the data into smaller subsets
- Recursively apply the procedure to each subset

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Defaulted = No

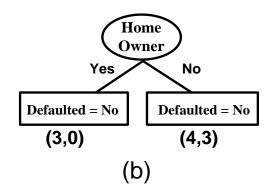
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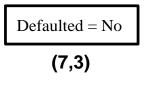
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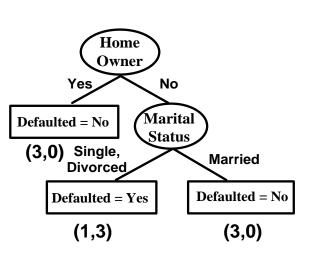
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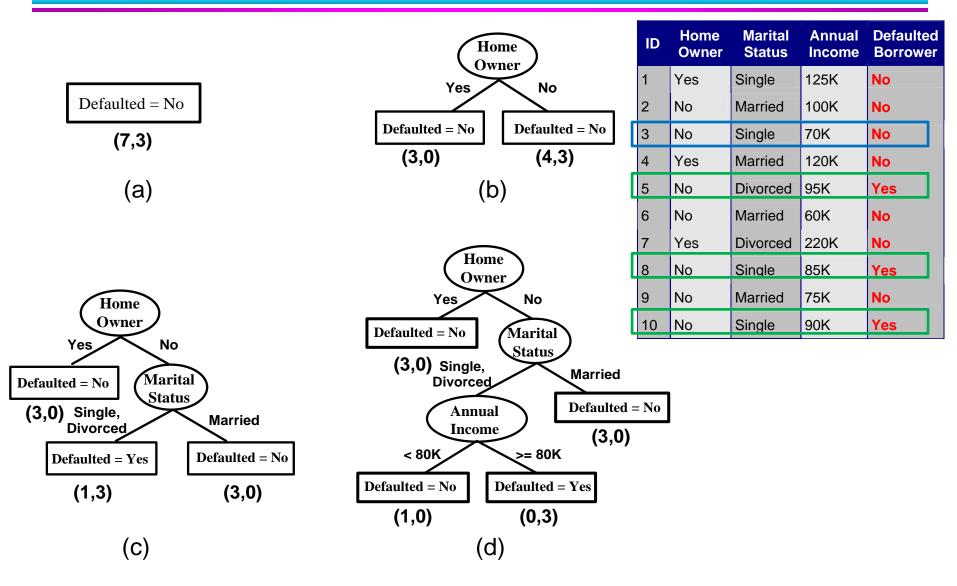


(a)



Home
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Defaulted = No
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(b)

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### **Design Issues of Decision Tree Induction**

- How should training records be split?
  - Method for specifying test condition
    - depending on attribute types
  - Measure for evaluating the goodness of a test condition

- How should the splitting procedure stop?
  - Stop splitting if all the records belong to the same class or have identical attribute values
  - Early termination

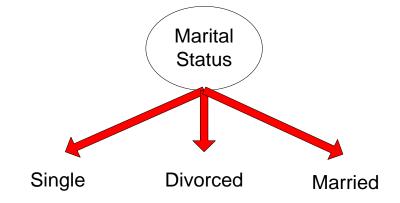
### **Methods for Expressing Test Conditions**

- Depends on attribute types
  - Binary
  - Nominal
  - Ordinal
  - Continuous

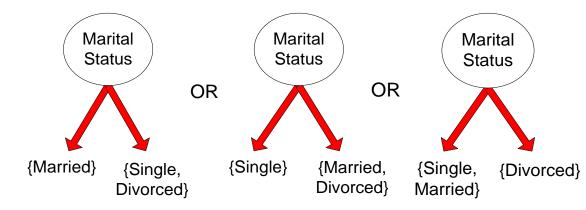
- Depends on number of ways to split
  - 2-way split
  - Multi-way split

### **Test Condition for Nominal Attributes**

- Multi-way split:
  - Use as many partitions as distinct values



- Binary split:
  - Divides values into two subsets



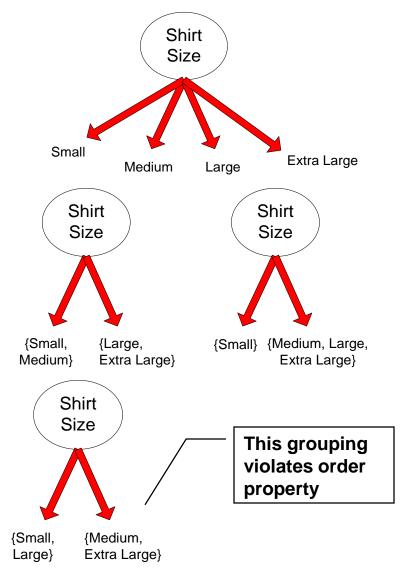
### **Test Condition for Ordinal Attributes**

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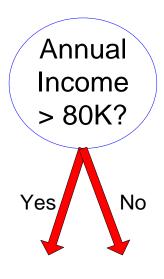
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#### Binary split:

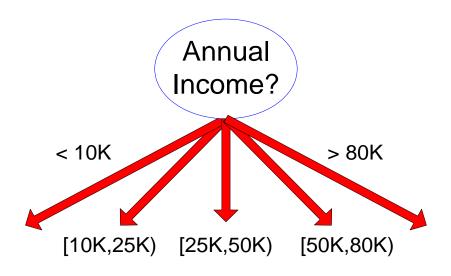
- Divides values into two subsets
- Preserve order property among attribute values



### **Test Condition for Continuous Attributes**



(i) Binary split



(ii) Multi-way split

### **Splitting Based on Continuous Attributes**

- Different ways of handling
  - Binary Decision: (A < v) or (A ≥ v)
    - consider all possible splits and finds the best cut
    - can be more compute intensive
  - Discretization to form an ordinal categorical attribute

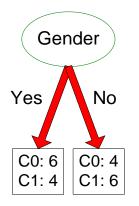
Ranges can be found by equal interval bucketing, equal frequency bucketing (percentiles), or clustering

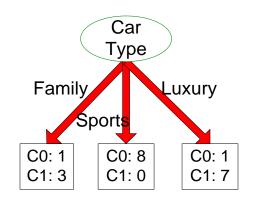
- Static discretize once at the beginning
- Dynamic repeat at each node

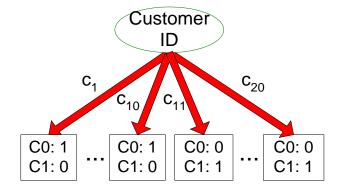
### **How to determine the Best Split**

Before Splitting: 10 records of class 0, 10 records of class 1

Customer Id	Gender	Car Type	Shirt Size	Class
1	M	Family	Small	C0
2	M	Sports	Medium	C0
3	$\mathbf{M}$	Sports	Medium	C0
4	$\mathbf{M}$	Sports	Large	C0
5	$_{ m M}$	Sports	Extra Large	C0
6	M	Sports	Extra Large	C0
7	F	Sports	Small	C0
8	$\mathbf{F}$	Sports	Small	C0
9	F	Sports	Medium	C0
10	F	Luxury	Large	C0
11	$_{ m M}$	Family	Large	C1
12	$\mathbf{M}$	Family	Extra Large	C1
13	$_{\mathrm{M}}$	Family	Medium	C1
14	M	Luxury	Extra Large	C1
15	F	Luxury	Small	C1
16	F	Luxury	Small	C1
17	$\mathbf{F}$	Luxury	Medium	C1
18	F	Luxury	Medium	C1
19	F	Luxury	Medium	C1
20	F	Luxury	Large	C1







Which test condition is the best?

### How to determine the Best Split

- Greedy approach:
  - Nodes with purer class distribution are preferred
- Need a measure of node impurity:

C0: 5

C1: 5

C0: 9

C1: 1

High degree of impurity

Low degree of impurity

### Measures of Node Impurity

Gini Index

Gini 
$$Index = 1 - \sum_{i=0}^{c-1} p_i(t)^2$$
 Where  $p_i(t)$  is the frequency of class  $i$  at node  $t$ , and  $c$  is the total number of classes

Where  $p_i(t)$  is the frequency

• Entropy
$$Entropy = -\sum_{i=0}^{c-1} p_i(t)log_2p_i(t)$$

Misclassification error

Classification error = 
$$1 - \max_{i}[p_i(t)]$$

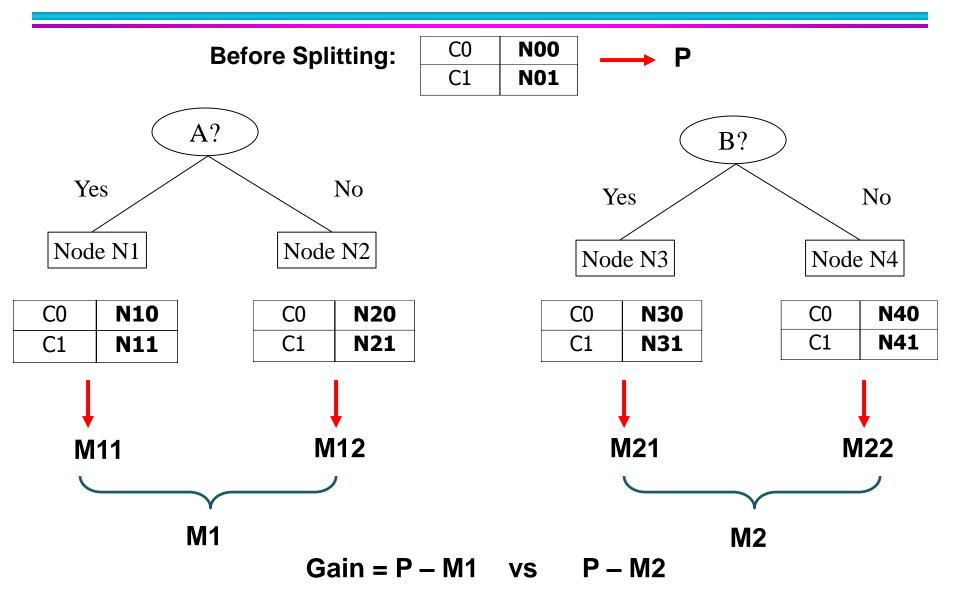
### **Finding the Best Split**

- Compute impurity measure (P) before splitting
- Compute impurity measure (M) after splitting
  - Compute impurity measure of each child node
  - M is the weighted impurity of child nodes
- Choose the attribute test condition that produces the highest gain

Gain = P - M

or equivalently, lowest impurity measure after splitting (M)

### **Finding the Best Split**



### **Measure of Impurity: GINI**

Gini Index for a given node t

Gini Index = 
$$1 - \sum_{i=0}^{c-1} p_i(t)^2$$

Where  $p_i(t)$  is the frequency of class i at node t, and c is the total number of classes

- Maximum of 1 1/c when records are equally distributed among all classes, implying the least beneficial situation for classification
- Minimum of 0 when all records belong to one class, implying the most beneficial situation for classification

# **Computing Gini Index of a Single Node**

Gini Index = 
$$1 - \sum_{i=0}^{c-1} p_i(t)^2$$

C1	3	
C2	3	
Gini=0.50		

$$P(C1) = 0/6 = 0$$
  $P(C2) = 6/6 = 1$ 

Gini = 
$$1 - P(C1)^2 - P(C2)^2 = 1 - 0 - 1 = 0$$

$$P(C1) = 1/6$$
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Gini = 
$$1 - (1/6)^2 - (5/6)^2 = 0.278$$

$$P(C1) = 2/6$$
  $P(C2) = 4/6$ 

Gini = 
$$1 - (2/6)^2 - (4/6)^2 = 0.444$$

# Computing Gini Index for a Collection of Nodes

• When a node p is split into k partitions (children)

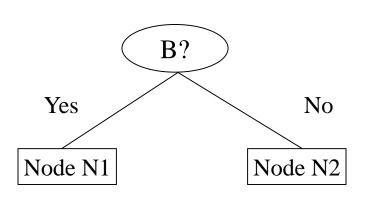
$$GINI_{split} = \sum_{i=1}^{k} \frac{n_i}{n} GINI(i)$$

where,  $n_i$  = number of records at child i, n = number of records at parent node p.

- Choose the attribute that minimizes weighted average Gini index of the children
- Gini index is used in decision tree algorithms such as CART, SLIQ, SPRINT

# **Binary Attributes: Computing GINI Index**

- Splits into two partitions (child nodes)
- Effect of Weighing partitions:
  - Larger and purer partitions are sought



	Parent
C1	7
C2	5
Gini	= 0.486

#### Gini(N1)

$$= 1 - (5/6)^2 - (1/6)^2$$

= 0.278

#### Gini(N2)

$$= 1 - (2/6)^2 - (4/6)^2$$

= 0.444

	N1	N2		
C1	5	2		
C2	2 1			
Gini=0.361				

Weighted Gini of N1, N2

$$= 0.361$$

Gain = 0.486 - 0.361 = 0.125

# **Categorical Attributes: Computing Gini Index**

- For each distinct value, gather counts for each class in the dataset
- Use the count matrix to make decisions

Multi-way split

	CarType				
	Family Sports Luxury				
C1	1	8	1		
C2	3 0 7				
Gini	0.163				

Two-way split (find best partition of values)

	CarType		
	{Sports, Luxury} {Family}		
C1	9	1	
C2	7 3		
Gini	0.468		

	CarType		
	{Sports}	{Family, Luxury}	
C1	8	2	
C2	0	10	
Gini	0.167		

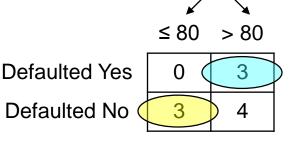
#### Which of these is the best?

# **Continuous Attributes: Computing Gini Index**

- Use Binary Decisions based on one value
- Several Choices for the splitting value
  - Number of possible splitting valuesNumber of distinct values
- Each splitting value has a count matrix associated with it
  - Class counts in each of the partitions, A ≤ v and A > v
- Simple method to choose best v
  - For each v, scan the database to gather count matrix and compute its Gini index
  - Computationally Inefficient!
     Repetition of work.

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# **Continuous Attributes: Computing Gini Index...**

- For efficient computation: for each attribute,
  - Sort the attribute on values
  - Linearly scan these values, each time updating the count matrix and computing gini index
  - Choose the split position that has the least gini index

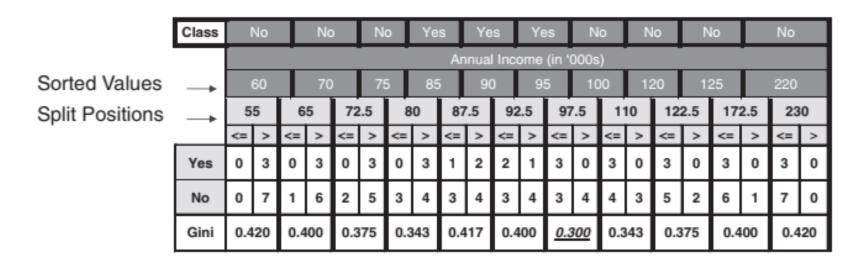


Figure 3.14. Splitting continuous attributes.

### **Measure of Impurity: Entropy**

Entropy at a given node t

$$Entropy = -\sum_{i=0}^{c-1} p_i(t)log_2 p_i(t)$$

Where  $p_i(t)$  is the frequency of class i at node t, and c is the total number of classes

- Maximum of log<sub>2</sub>c when records are equally distributed among all classes, implying the least beneficial situation for classification
- Minimum of 0 when all records belong to one class, implying most beneficial situation for classification
- Entropy based computations are quite similar to the GINI index computations

# Computing Entropy of a Single Node

$$Entropy = -\sum_{i=0}^{c-1} p_i(t)log_2 p_i(t)$$

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Entropy=1.00		

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Entropy = 
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# **Computing Information Gain After Splitting**

Information Gain:

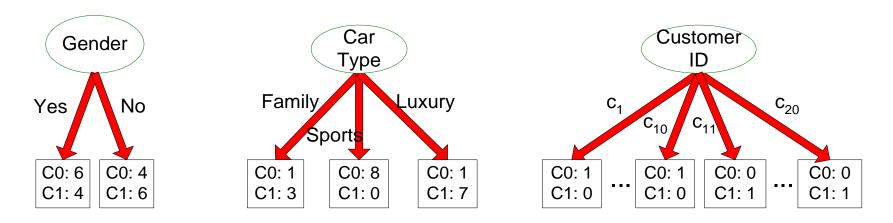
$$Gain_{split} = Entropy(p) - \sum_{i=1}^{k} \frac{n_i}{n} Entropy(i)$$

Parent Node p is split into k partitions (children)  $n_i$  is number of records in child node i

- Choose the split that achieves most reduction (maximizes GAIN)
- Used in the ID3 and C4.5 decision tree algorithms

# Problem with large number of partitions

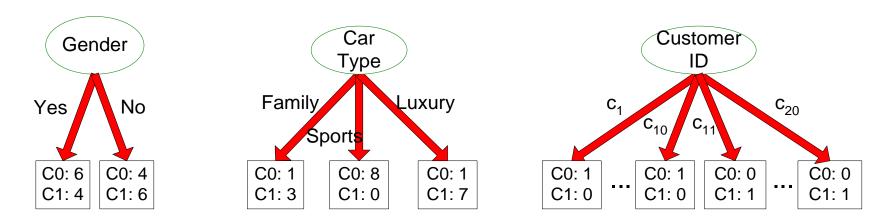
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 Customer ID has highest information gain because entropy for all the children is zero

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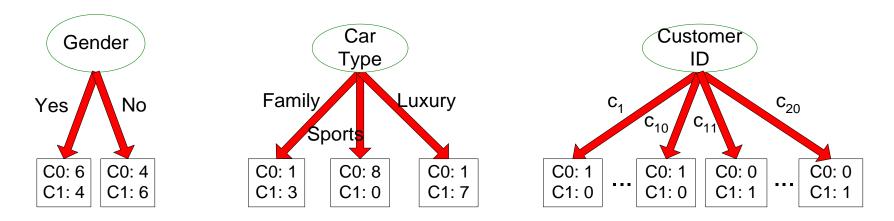
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 Having more number of child nodes can make a decision tree more complex and consequently more susceptible to overfitting!!!

# Problem with large number of partitions

 Node impurity measures tend to prefer splits that result in large number of partitions, each being small but pure



 Hence, the number of children produced by the splitting attribute should also be taken into consideration

### Solutions:

- Generate only binary decision trees, thus avoiding the difficulty of handling attributes with varying number of partitions (CART)
- Modify the splitting criterion to take into account the number of partitions produced by the attribute (C4.5 (next slide))

Gain Ratio:

Evaluates if the split results in a larger number of equally-sized child nodes or not

$$Gain Ratio = \frac{Gain_{split}}{Split Info}$$

Split Info = 
$$-\sum_{i=1}^{k} \frac{n_i}{n} \log_2 \frac{n_i}{n}$$

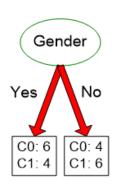
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- Adjusts Information Gain by the entropy of the partitioning (Split Info)
  - Higher entropy partitioning (large number of small partitions) is penalized!!!
- Used in C4.5 algorithm
- Designed to overcome the disadvantage of Information Gain

Entropy(parent) = 
$$-\frac{10}{20}\log_2\frac{10}{20} - \frac{10}{20}\log_2\frac{10}{20} = 1.$$

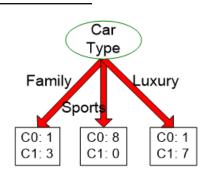
If Gender is used as attribute test condition:

Entropy(children) = 
$$\frac{10}{20} \left[ -\frac{6}{10} \log_2 \frac{6}{10} - \frac{4}{10} \log_2 \frac{4}{10} \right] \times 2 = 0.971$$
  
Gain Ratio =  $\frac{1 - 0.971}{-\frac{10}{20} \log_2 \frac{10}{20} - \frac{10}{20} \log_2 \frac{10}{20}} = \frac{0.029}{1} = 0.029$ 



If Car Type is used as attribute test condition:

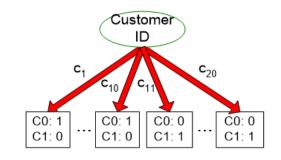
Entropy(children) = 
$$\frac{4}{20} \left[ -\frac{1}{4} \log_2 \frac{1}{4} - \frac{3}{4} \log_2 \frac{3}{4} \right] + \frac{8}{20} \times 0$$
  
  $+ \frac{8}{20} \left[ -\frac{1}{8} \log_2 \frac{1}{8} - \frac{7}{8} \log_2 \frac{7}{8} \right] = 0.380$   
Gain Ratio =  $\frac{1 - 0.380}{-\frac{4}{20} \log_2 \frac{4}{20} - \frac{8}{20} \log_2 \frac{8}{20} - \frac{8}{20} \log_2 \frac{8}{20}} = \frac{0.620}{1.52} = 0.41$ 



Entropy(parent) = 
$$-\frac{10}{20}\log_2\frac{10}{20} - \frac{10}{20}\log_2\frac{10}{20} = 1$$
.

Finally, if Customer ID is used as attribute test condition:

Entropy(children) = 
$$\frac{1}{20} \left[ -\frac{1}{1} \log_2 \frac{1}{1} - \frac{0}{1} \log_2 \frac{0}{1} \right] \times 20 = 0$$
  
Gain Ratio =  $\frac{1-0}{-\frac{1}{20} \log_2 \frac{1}{20} \times 20} = \frac{1}{4.32} = 0.23$ 



Gender = 0.029; 0.029

CarType = 0.620; 0.41

**Customer ID = 1; 0.23** 

# Measure of Impurity: Classification Error

Classification error at a node t

$$Error(t) = 1 - \max_{i}[p_i(t)]$$

- Maximum of 1 1/c when records are equally distributed among all classes, implying the least interesting situation
- Minimum of 0 when all records belong to one class, implying the most interesting situation

# Computing Error of a Single Node

$$Error(t) = 1 - \max_{i}[p_i(t)]$$

C1	0
C2	6

$$P(C1) = 0/6 = 0$$
  $P(C2) = 6/6 = 1$   
 $Error = 1 - max(0, 1) = 1 - 1 = 0$ 

Error = 
$$1 - \max(0, 1) = 1 - 1 = 0$$

$$P(C1) = 1/6$$
  $P(C2) = 5/6$ 

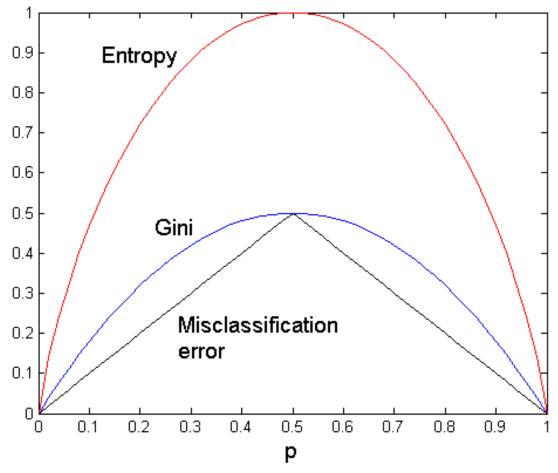
Error = 
$$1 - \max(1/6, 5/6) = 1 - 5/6 = 1/6$$

$$P(C1) = 2/6$$
  $P(C2) = 4/6$ 

Error = 
$$1 - \max(2/6, 4/6) = 1 - 4/6 = 1/3$$

# **Comparison among Impurity Measures**

### For a 2-class problem:



# **Algorithm for Decision Tree Induction**

#### **Algorithm 3.1** A skeleton decision tree induction algorithm.

```
TreeGrowth (E, F)
 1: if stopping_cond(E,F) = true then
     leaf = createNode().
     leaf.label = Classify(E).
      return leaf.
 4:
 5: else
     root = createNode().
 6:
     root.test\_cond = find\_best\_split(E, F).
      let V = \{v | v \text{ is a possible outcome of } root.test\_cond \}.
 8:
     for each v \in V do
 9:
        E_v = \{e \mid root.test\_cond(e) = v \text{ and } e \in E\}.
10:
        child = TreeGrowth(E_v, F).
11:
        add child as descendent of root and label the edge (root \rightarrow child) as v.
12:
      end for
13:
14: end if
15: return root.
```

### **Decision Tree Based Classification**

### Advantages:

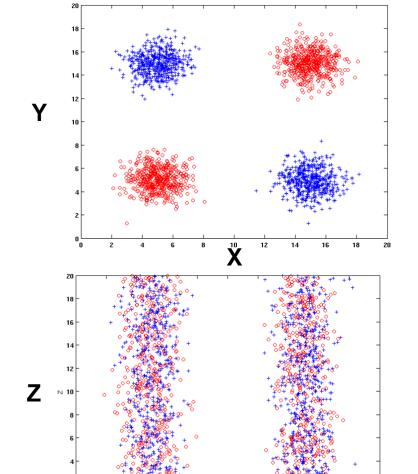
- Inexpensive to construct
- Extremely fast at classifying unknown records
- Easy to interpret for small-sized trees
- Can easily handle redundant or irrelevant attributes (unless the attributes are interacting)
  - Since redundant attributes show similar gains in purity if they are selected for splitting, only one of them will be selected
  - An attribute is irrelevant if it is not useful for the classification task. Since they are poorly associated with the target class labels, they will provide little or no gain in purity and thus will be passed over by other more relevant features

### **Decision Tree Based Classification**

### Disadvantages:

- Space of possible decision trees is exponentially large. Greedy approaches are often unable to find the best tree.
- Does not take into account interactions between attributes
  - Attributes are considered interacting if they are able to distinguish between classes when used together, but individually they provide little or no information
  - Such attributes could be passed over in favor of other attributes that are not as useful, resulting in more complex decision trees than necessary
- Each decision boundary involves only a single attribute

# **Handling interactions**



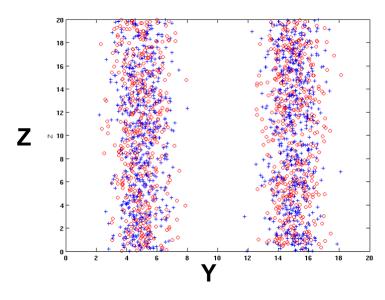
**+** : 1000 instances

o: 1000 instances

Adding Z as a noisy attribute generated from a uniform distribution

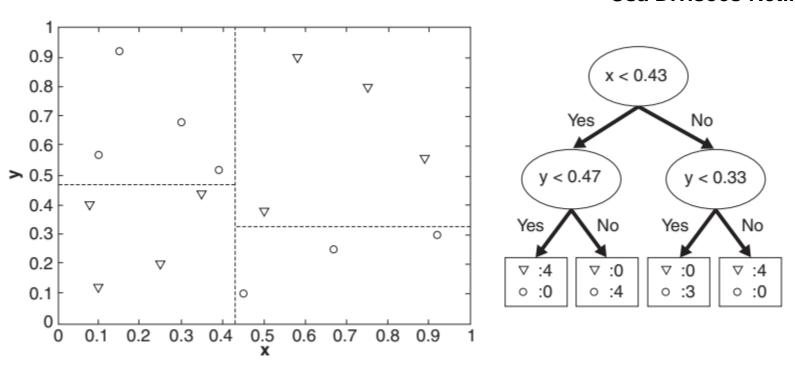
Entropy (X): 0.99 Entropy (Y): 0.99 Entropy (Z): 0.98

Attribute Z will be chosen for splitting!



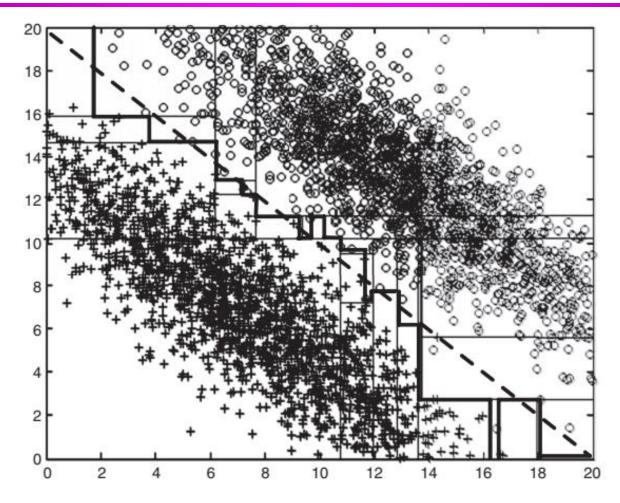
### Limitations of single attribute-based decision boundaries

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**Figure 3.20.** Example of a decision tree and its decision boundaries for a two-dimensional data set.

### Limitations of single attribute-based decision boundaries



**Figure 3.21.** Example of data set that cannot be partitioned optimally using a decision tree with single attribute test conditions. The true decision boundary is shown by the dashed line.

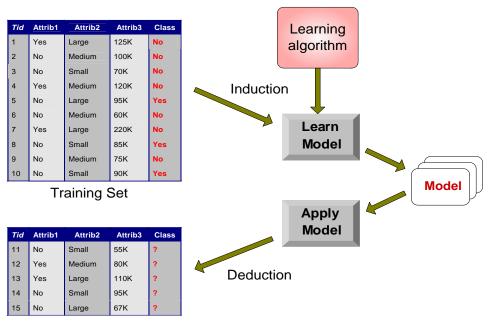
# **Data Mining**

Model Overfitting and Evaluation

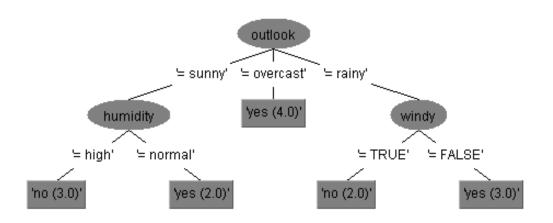
Introduction to Data Mining, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition by

Tan, Steinbach, Karpatne, Kumar

- Training errors (apparent errors): Errors committed on the training set
- Test errors: Errors committed on the test set
- **Generalization errors**: Expected error of a model over random selection of records from same distribution



**Test Set** 



	PREDICTED CLASS		
		Class=Yes	Class=No
ACTUAL CLASS	Class=Yes	9	0
	Class=No	0	5

No.	outlook Nominal	temperature Nominal	humidity Nominal	windy Nominal	<b>play</b> Nominal
1	sunny	hot	high	FALSE	no
2	sunny	hot	high	TRUE	no
3	overcast	hot	high	FALSE	yes
4	rainy	mild	high	FALSE	yes
5	rainy	cool	normal	FALSE	yes
6	rainy	cool	normal	TRUE	no
7	overcast	cool	normal	TRUE	yes
8	sunny	mild	high	FALSE	no
9	sunny	cool	normal	FALSE	yes
10	rainy	mild	normal	FALSE	yes
11	sunny	mild	normal	TRUE	yes
12	overcast	mild	high	TRUE	yes
13	overcast	hot	normal	FALSE	yes
14	rainy	mild	high	TRUE	no

	PREDICTED CLASS		
		Class=Yes	Class=No
ACTUAL CLASS	Class=Yes	a (TP)	b (FN)
	Class=No	c (FP)	d (TN)

Ref. [?]







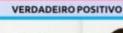


**FALSO POSITIVO** 

**FALSO NEGATIVO** 



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	PREDICTED CLASS		
		Class=Yes	Class=No
ACTUAL	Class=Yes	a (TP)	b (FN)
CLASS	Class=No	c (FP)	d (TN)

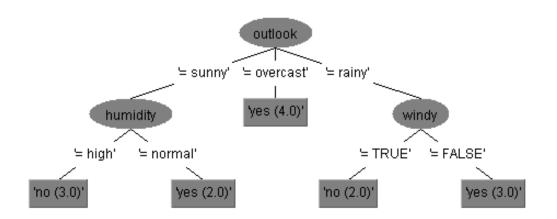
• Most widely-used metric:

Accuracy = 
$$\frac{a+d}{a+b+c+d} = \frac{TP+TN}{TP+TN+FP+FN}$$

	PREDICTED CLASS		
		Class=Yes	Class=No
ACTUAL	Class=Yes	a (TP)	b (FN)
CLASS	Class=No	c (FP)	d (TN)

### Complement:

Error = 
$$\frac{b+c}{a+b+c+d} = \frac{FN+FP}{TP+TN+FP+FN}$$



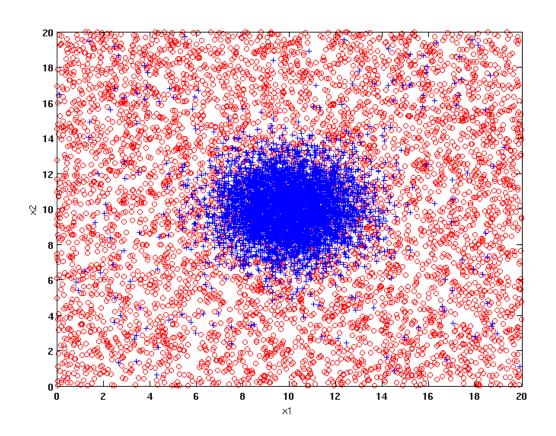
	PREDICTED CLASS		
		Class=Yes	Class=No
ACTUAL	Class=Yes	9	0
CLASS	Class=No	0	5

Error (Train) = 0/14 = 0

Error (Test) = (4+3)/14 = 0.5

	PREDICTED CLASS		
ACTUAL CLASS		Class=Yes	Class=No
	Class=Yes	5	4
	Class=No	3	2

# **Example Data Set**

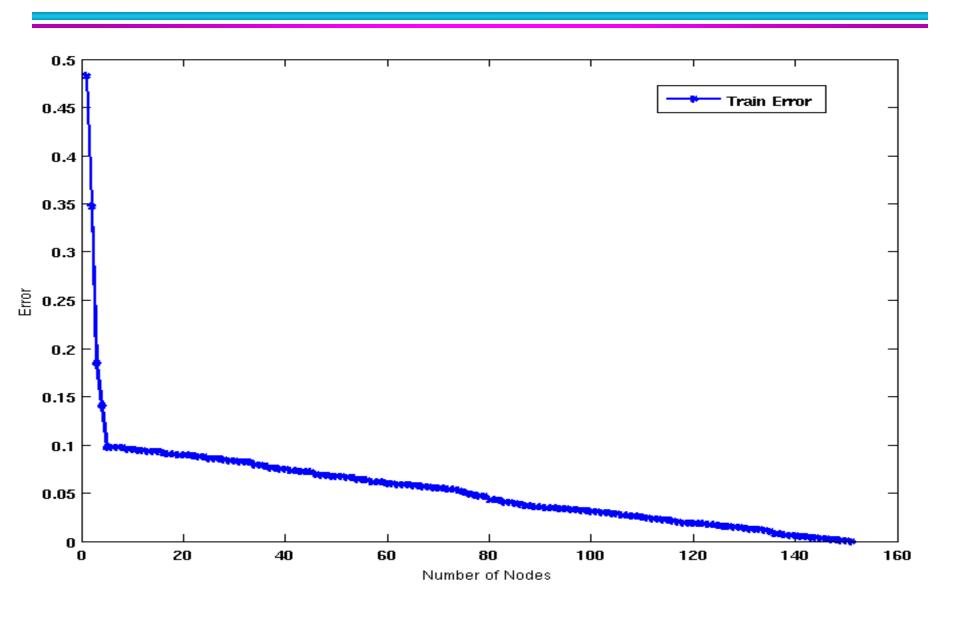


#### Two class problem:

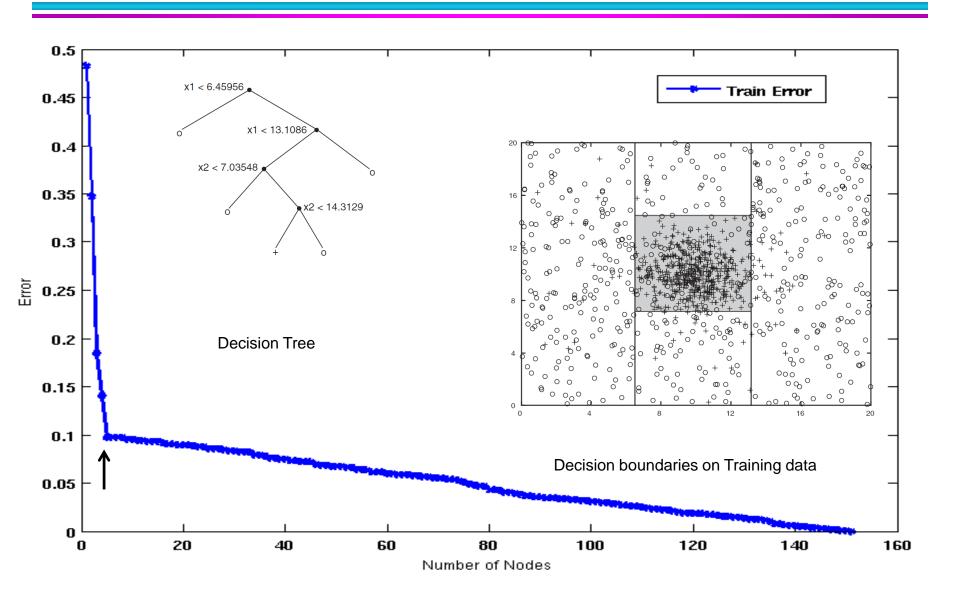
- +: 5400 instances
  - 5000 instances generated from a Gaussian centered at (10,10)
  - 400 noisy instances added
- o: 5400 instances
  - Generated from a uniform distribution

10% of the data used for training and 90% of the data used for testing

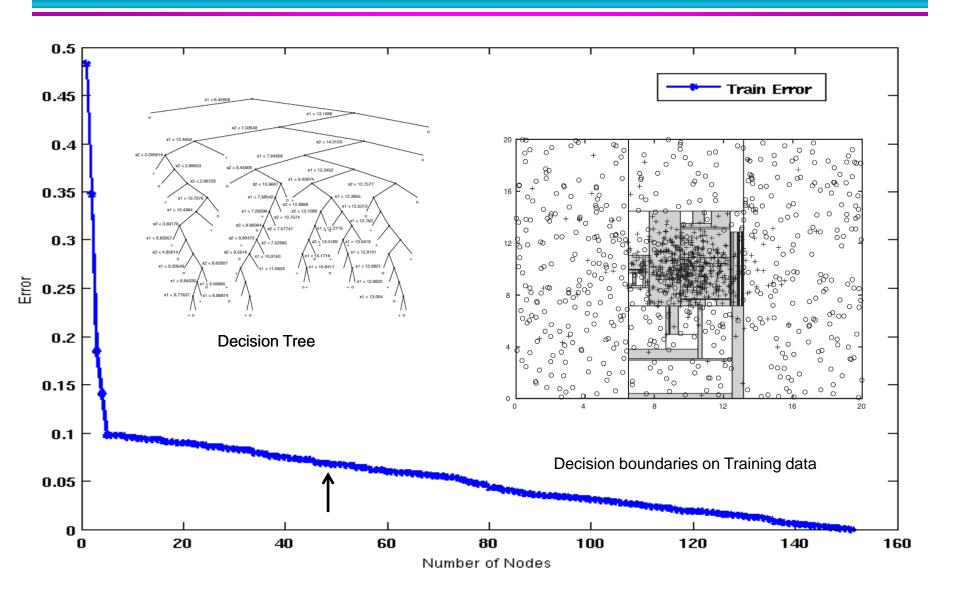
### **Increasing number of nodes in Decision Trees**



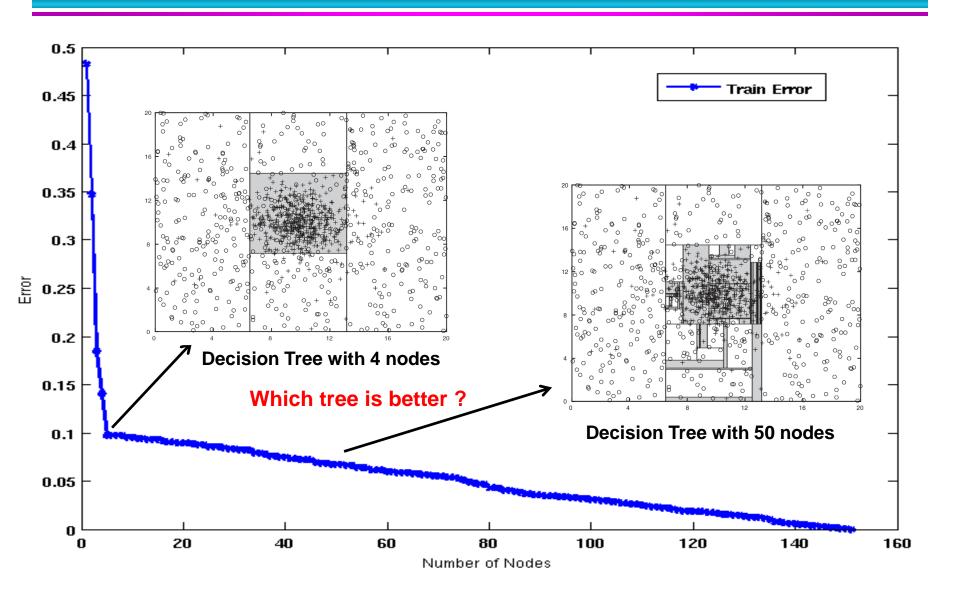
### **Decision Tree with 4 nodes**



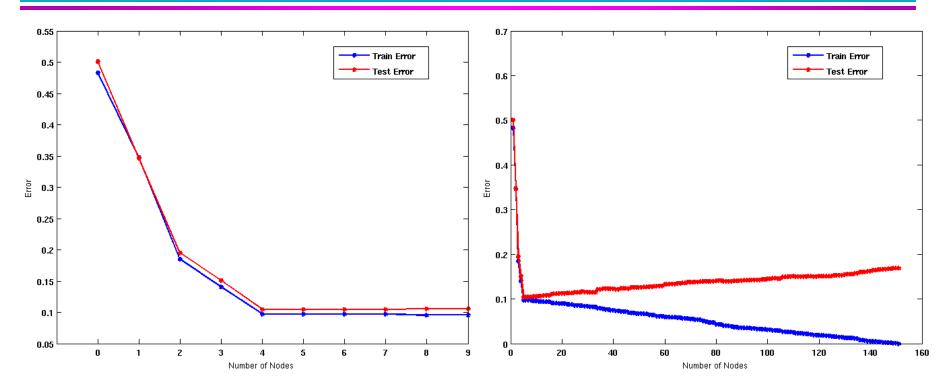
### **Decision Tree with 50 nodes**



#### Which tree is better?



# **Model Overfitting**



•As the model becomes more and more complex, test errors can start increasing even though training error may be decreasing

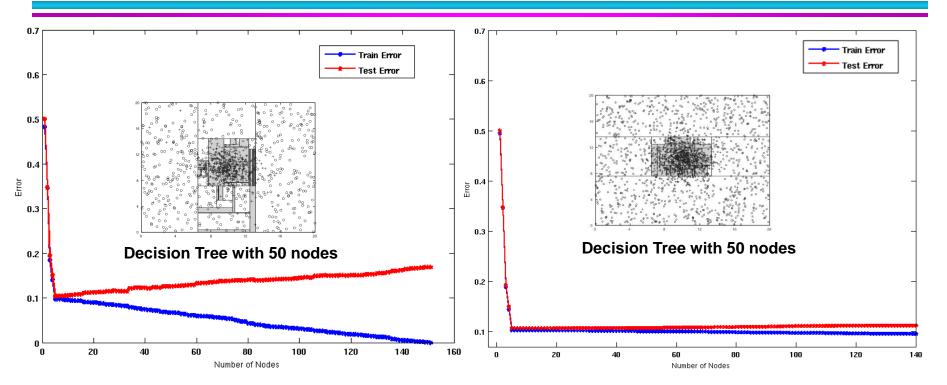
Underfitting: when model is too simple, both training and test errors are largeOverfitting: when model is too complex, training error is small but test error is large

## **Reasons for Model Overfitting**

Limited Training Size

High Model Complexity

# **Model Overfitting**



Using twice the number of data instances

 Increasing the size of training data reduces the difference between training and testing errors at a given size of model

# **Notes on Overfitting**

 Overfitting results in decision trees that are more complex than necessary

 Training error does not provide a good estimate of how well the tree will perform on previously unseen records

Need ways for estimating generalization errors

#### **Model Selection**

- There are many possible classification models with varying levels of model complexity that can be used to capture patterns in the training data
- Among these possibilities, we want to select the model that shows lowest generalization error rate
- The process of selecting a model with the right level of complexity, which is expected to generalize well over unseen test instances, is known as model selection

#### **Model Selection**

- Performed during model building
- Purpose is to ensure that model is not overly complex (to avoid overfitting)
- Need to estimate generalization error
  - Using Validation Set
  - Incorporating Model Complexity
  - Estimating Statistical Bounds

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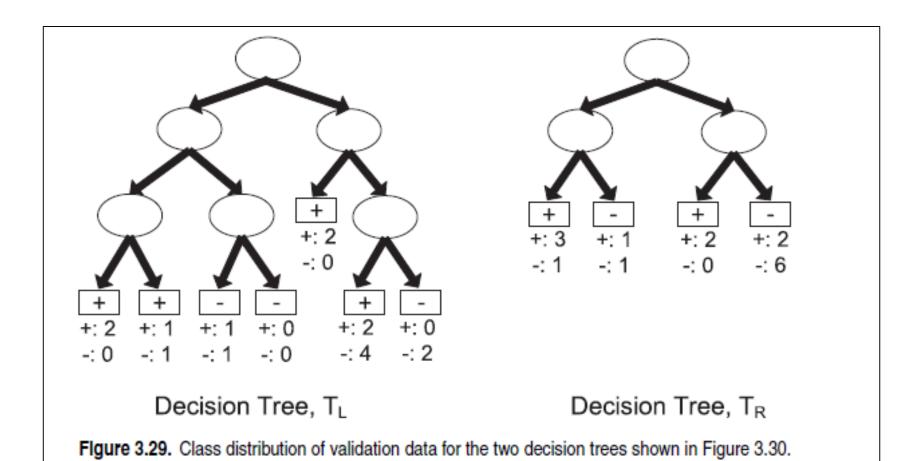
#### **Model Selection:**

## **Using Validation Set**

- Divide <u>training</u> data into two parts:
  - Training set:
    - use for model building
  - Validation set:
    - use for estimating generalization error
    - Note: validation set is not the same as test set
- The use of validation set provides a generic approach for model selection
- Drawback:
  - Less data available for training

#### **Model Selection:**

## **Using Validation Set**



$$err_{val}(T_L) = 6/16 = 0.375$$

$$err_{val}(T_R) = 4/16 = 0.25$$

#### **Model Selection:**

# **Incorporating Model Complexity**

- Rationale: Occam's Razor (Princípio)
  - Given two models of similar generalization errors, one should prefer the simpler model over the more complex model
  - A complex model has a greater chance of being fitted accidentally
  - Therefore, one should include model complexity when evaluating a model

$$gen.error(m) = train.error(m, D.train) + \alpha \times complexity(\mathcal{M})$$

 $\alpha$  is a hyper-parameter that strikes a balance between minimizing training error and reducing model complexity. A higher value of  $\alpha$  gives more emphasis to the model complexity in the estimation of generalization performance

## **Estimating the Complexity of Decision Trees**

#### Pessimistic Error Estimate of decision tree T

with k leaf nodes:

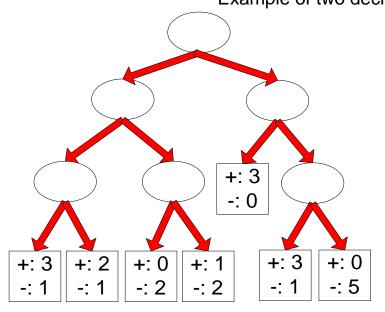
It is called pessimistic as it assumes the generalization error rate to be worse than the training error rate (**optimistic error estimate**), by adding a penalty term for model complexity

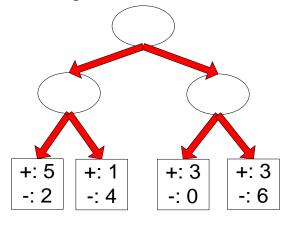
$$err_{gen}(T) = err(T) + \Omega \times \frac{k}{N_{train}}$$

- err(T): error rate on all training records
- $\Omega$ : trade-off hyper-parameter (similar to  $\alpha$ )
  - Relative cost of adding a leaf node
- k: number of leaf nodes
- N<sub>train</sub>: total number of training records

#### **Estimating the Complexity of Decision Trees: Example**

Example of two decision trees generated from the same training data





Decision Tree, T<sub>R</sub>

$$e(T_L) = 4/24 = 0,17$$

$$e(T_R) = 6/24 = 0.25$$

Decision Tree, T<sub>1</sub>

$$\Omega = 1$$

$$e_{gen}(T_L) = 4/24 + 1*7/24 = 11/24 = 0.458$$

$$e_{qen}(T_R) = 6/24 + 1*4/24 = 10/24 = 0.417$$

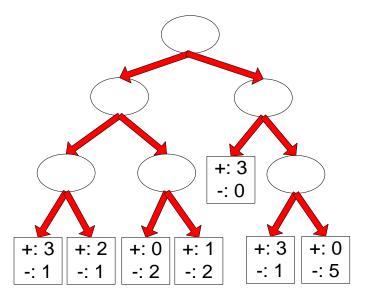
 $\Omega = 0.5$ 

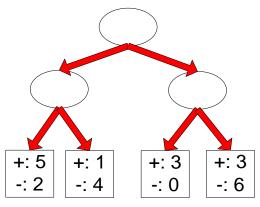
$$e_{gen}(T_L) = 4/24 + 0.5*7/24 = 7.5/24 = 0.313$$

$$e_{qen}(T_R) = 6/24 + 0.5*4/24 = 8/24 = 0.333$$

## **Estimating the Complexity of Decision Trees**

- Resubstitution Estimate:
  - Using training error as an optimistic estimate of generalization error
  - Referred to as optimistic error estimate





$$e(T_L) = 4/24 = 0,17$$

$$e(T_R) = 6/24 = 0,25$$

Decision Tree, T<sub>1</sub>

Decision Tree, T<sub>R</sub>

#### **Model Selection for Decision Trees**

- Building on the generic approaches presented above, we present two commonly used model selection strategies for decision tree induction
  - Pre-Pruning (Early Stopping Rule)
    - ◆ The tree-growing algorithm is halted before generating a fully grown tree that perfectly fits the entire training data
      - Drawback: subsequent splittings may result in better subtrees
  - Post-pruning
    - ◆ Tends to give better results because it makes pruning decisions based on a fully grown tree (additional computations needed)

#### **Model Selection for Decision Trees**

- Pre-Pruning (Early Stopping Rule)
  - Stop the algorithm before it becomes a fully-grown tree
  - Typical stopping conditions for a node:
    - Stop if all instances belong to the same class
    - Stop if all the attribute values are the same
  - More restrictive conditions:
    - Stop if number of instances is less than some user-specified threshold
    - Stop if class distribution of instances are independent of the available features (e.g., using  $\chi^2$  test)
    - Stop if expanding the current node does not improve impurity measures (e.g., Gini or Information Gain).
    - Stop if estimated generalization error falls below certain threshold (computed as previous)

#### **Model Selection for Decision Trees**

## Post-pruning

- Grow decision tree to its entirety
- Subtree replacement
  - Trim the nodes of the decision tree in a bottom-up fashion
  - ◆ If generalization error (computed as previous) improves after trimming, replace sub-tree by a leaf node
  - Class label of leaf node is determined from majority class of instances in the sub-tree
- Subtree raising
  - Replace subtree with most frequently used branch

## **Example of Post-Pruning**

Class = Yes	20	
Class = No	10	
Error = 10/30		

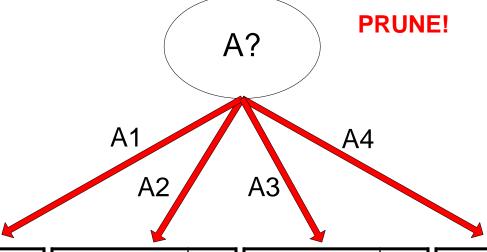
**Training Error (Before splitting) = 10/30** 

Pessimistic error = (10/30 + 0.5 \* 1/30) = 0.35

**Training Error (After splitting) = 9/30** 

**Pessimistic error (After splitting)** 

$$= (9/30 + 0.5 * 4/30) = 0.37$$



Class = Yes	8
Class = No	4

Class = Yes	3
Class = No	4

Class = Yes	4
Class = No	1

Class = Yes	5
Class = No	1

## **Examples of Post-pruning**

#### **Decision Tree:** depth = 1: breadth > 7 : class 1 breadth $\leq 7$ : breadth <= 3: ImagePages > 0.375 : class 0 ImagePages <= 0.375: totalPages <= 6 : class 1 totalPages > 6: breadth <= 1 : class 1 breadth > 1 : class 0 width > 3: MultilP = 0:| ImagePages <= 0.1333 : class 1 ImagePages > 0.1333 : breadth <= 6 : class 0 breadth > 6 : class 1 MultiIP = 1: TotalTime <= 361 : class 0 TotalTime > 361 : class 1 depth > 1: MultiAgent = 0: | depth > 2 : class 0 | depth <= 2 : MultiIP = 1: class 0 MultiIP = 0: breadth <= 6 : class 0 breadth > 6: RepeatedAccess <= 0.0322 : class 0 RepeatedAccess > 0.0322 : class 1 MultiAgent = 1: totalPages <= 81 : class 0 totalPages > 81 : class 1

```
depth = 1:
| ImagePages <= 0.1333 : class 1
| ImagePages > 0.1333 :
| breadth <= 6 : class 0
| breadth > 6 : class 1
| depth > 1 :
| MultiAgent = 0: class 0
| totalPages <= 81 : class 0
| totalPages > 81 : class 1
```

Subtree Replacement

Subtree

Raising

### **Model Evaluation**

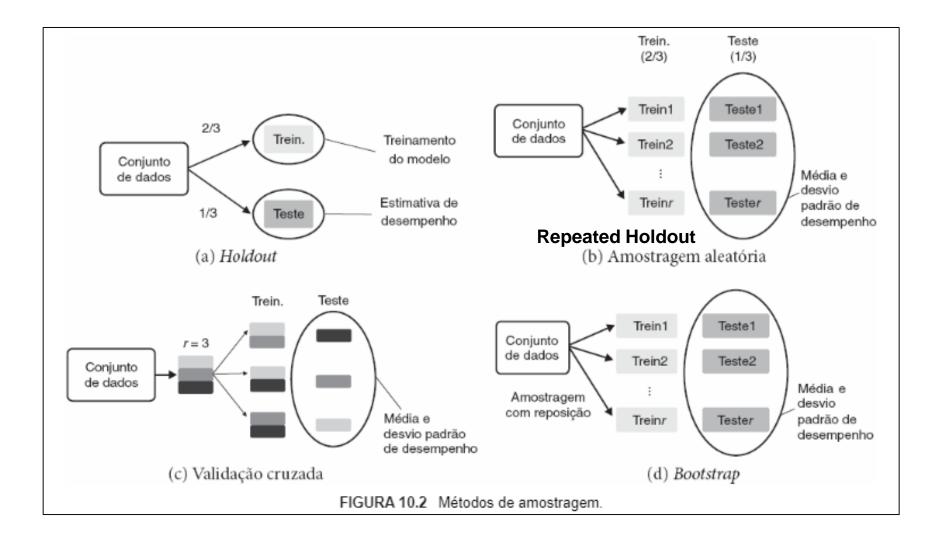
#### • Purpose:

 To estimate performance of classifier on previously unseen data (test set)

#### Holdout

- Reserve k% for training and (100-k)% for testing
- Random subsampling: repeated holdout
- Bootstrap
- Cross validation
  - Partition data into k disjoint subsets
  - k-fold: train on k-1 partitions, test on the remaining one
  - Leave-one-out: k=n (custoso e, portanto, aplicado geralmente em amostras de dados pequenas)

### **Model Evaluation**

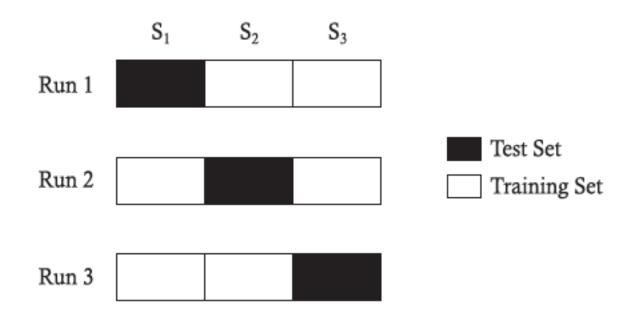


## **Bootstrap**

- r subconjuntos de treinamento são gerados a partir do conjunto de exemplos original por meio de amostragem aleatória com reposição
  - Um exemplo pode estar presente em determinado subconjunto de treinamento mais de uma vez
- Os exemplos não selecionados compõem os subconjuntos de teste (≅ 36,8% para n grande)
- O resultado final é dado pela média do desempenho observado em cada subconjunto de teste
- Em geral, r≥100, sendo, portanto, um procedimento custoso e aplicado geralmente em amostras de dados pequenas (desempenho estatisticamente equivalente ao do leave-one-out, com menor variância)

## **Cross-validation Example**

3-fold cross-validation



#### Variations on Cross-validation

- Repeated cross-validation
  - Perform cross-validation a number of times
  - Gives an estimate of the variance of the generalization error
- Stratified cross-validation
  - Guarantee the same percentage of class labels in training and test
  - Important when classes are imbalanced and the sample is small
- Use <u>nested cross-validation</u> (or double crossvalidation) approach for <u>model selection and</u> <u>evaluation</u>

 Hyper-parameters are parameters of learning algorithms that need to be determined before learning the classification model

$$gen.error(m) = train.error(m, D.train) + \alpha \times complexity(\mathcal{M})$$



 The values of hyper-parameters need to be determined during model selection – a process known as hyper-parameter selection – and must be taken into account during model evaluation

#### Using a validation set

- Let p be the hyper-parameter that needs to be selected from a finite range of values,  $P = \{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n\}$
- Partition D.train into D.tr and D.val
- For every choice of hyper-parameter value p<sub>i</sub>, we can learn a model m<sub>i</sub> on D.tr, and apply this model on D.val to obtain the validation error rate err<sub>val</sub>(p<sub>i</sub>)
- Let p\*be the hyper-parameter value that provides the lowest validation error rate
- Use the model m\*corresponding to p\*as the final choice of classification model

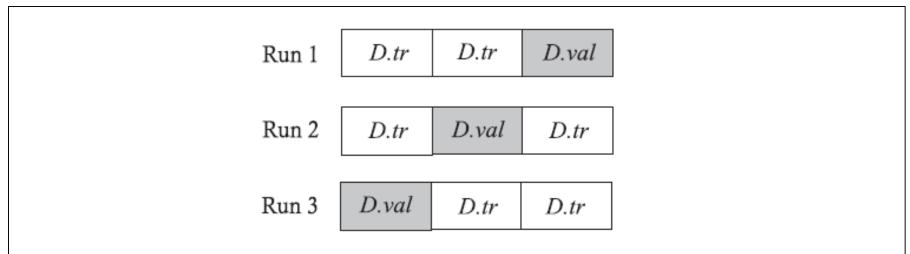
## Using a validation set

 The above approach, although useful, uses only a subset of the data, *D.train*, for training and a subset, *D.val*, for validation

#### Using cross-validation

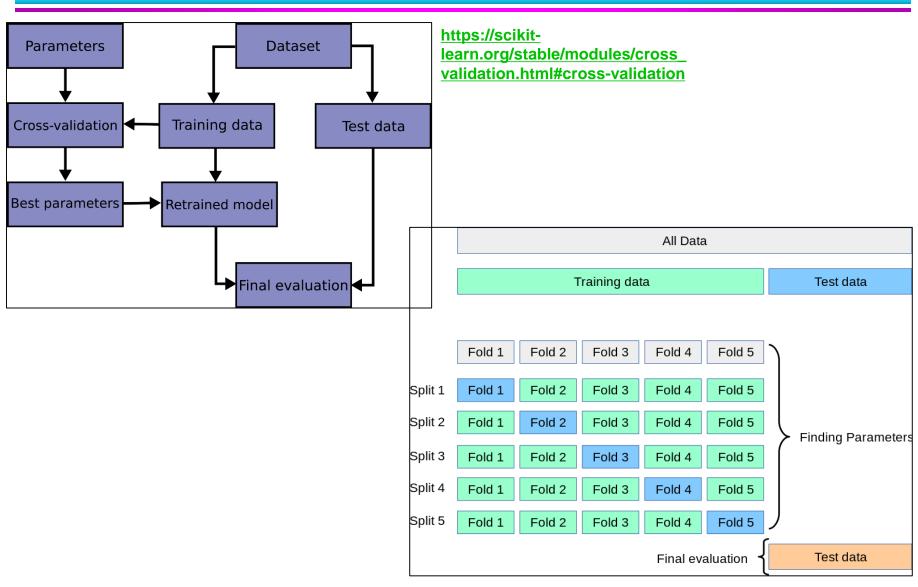
- At every run, one of the folds is used as *D.val* for validation, and the remaining two folds are used as *D.tr* for learning a model, for every choice of hyperparameter value *p<sub>i</sub>*
- The overall validation error rate corresponding to each p<sub>i</sub> is computed by summing the errors across all the three folds
- Select the hyperparameter value p\* that provides the lowest validation error rate, and use it to learn a model m\* on the entire training set D.train

## Using cross-validation



**Figure 3.34.** Example demonstrating the 3-fold cross-validation framework for hyper-parameter selection using D.train.

### **Model Selection and Evaluation**



### **Model Selection and Evaluation**

#### Nested Cross-Validation

https://scikitlearn.org/stable/auto\_exampl es/model\_selection/plot\_nest ed\_cross\_validation\_iris.html

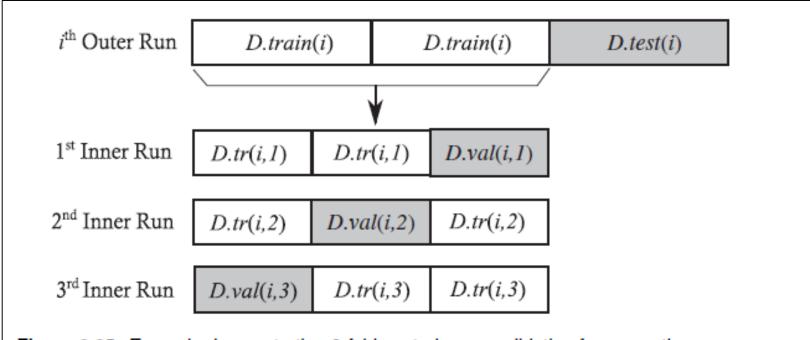


Figure 3.35. Example demonstrating 3-fold nested cross-validation for computing  $err_{test}$ .

Nested cross-validation when selecting classifiers is overzealous for most practical applications (2021) – https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/abs/pii/S0957417421006540

#### https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Confusion\_matrix

	PREDICTED CLASS			
ACTUAL CLASS		Yes	No	
	Yes	TP	FN	
	No	FP	TN	

 $\alpha$  is the probability that we reject the null hypothesis when it is true. This is a Type I error or a false positive (FP)

 $\beta$  is the probability that we accept the null hypothesis when it is false. This is a Type II error or a false negative (FN)

$$Accuracy = \frac{TP + TN}{TP + FN + FP + TN}$$

ErrorRate = 1 - accuracy

$$Precision = Positive \ Predictive \ Value = \frac{TP}{TP + FP}$$

$$Recall = Sensitivity = TP Rate = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

$$Specificity = TN \ Rate = \frac{TN}{TN + FP}$$

$$FP\ Rate = \alpha = \frac{FP}{TN + FP} = 1 - specificity$$

$$FN\ Rate = \beta = \frac{FN}{FN + TP} = 1 - sensitivity$$

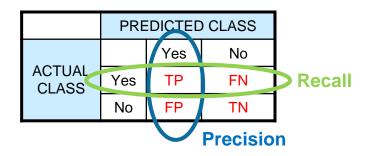
$$Power = sensitivity = 1 - \beta$$

```
=== Detailed Accuracy By Class ===
                                 Precision
              TP Rate
                       FP Rate
                                             Recall F-Measure
                                                                ROC Area Class
                0.556
                         0.6
                                    0.625
                                              0.556
                                                       0.588
                                                                  0.633
                                                                          yes
                0.4
                         0.444
                                    0.333
                                              0.4
                                                       0.364
                                                                  0.633
                                                                          no
                          0.544
                                                                  0.633
Weighted Avg. 0.5
                                    0.521
                                              0.5
                                                       0.508
=== Confusion Matrix ===
     <-- classified as
5 4 | a = yes
3 2 | b = no
```

$$Precision = Positive \ Predictive \ Value = \frac{TP}{TP + FP}$$

$$Recall = Sensitivity = TP Rate = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

$$F = 2 \cdot \frac{\text{precision} \cdot \text{recall}}{\text{precision} + \text{recall}}$$



#### Precision evaluates the fraction of correct classified instances among the ones classified as positive

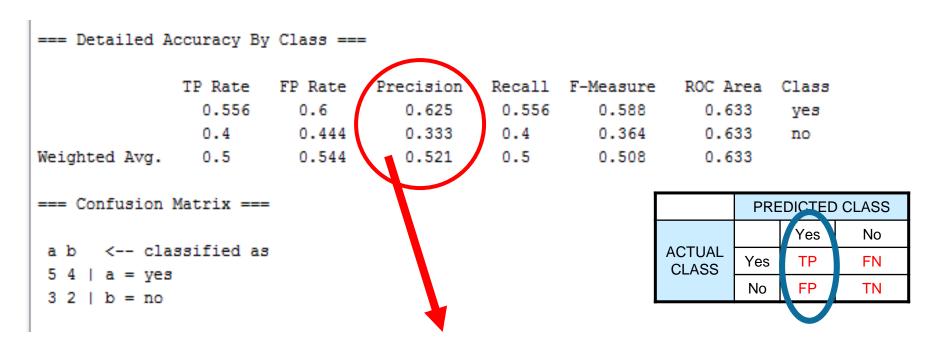
[A precision score of 1.0 for a class C means that every instance labelled as belonging to class C does indeed belong to class C (but says nothing about the number of instances from class C that were not labelled correctly]

#### Recall is the fraction of total positive instances correctly classified as positive

[A recall of 1.0 means that every instance from class C was labeled as belonging to class C (but says nothing about how many instances from other classes were incorrectly also labeled as belonging to class C]

F-measure analyzes the trade-offs between <u>correctness</u> and <u>coverage</u> in classifying positive instances

Quantos elementos selecionados são relevantes? vs Quantos elementos relevantes foram selecionados?



Precision or Positive Predictive Value (PPV) = TP/(TP + FP) = 5/(5 + 3) = 0.625 (yes)

Precision or Positive Predictive Value (PPV) = TP/(TP + FP) = 2/(2 + 4) = 0.333 (no)

9 (yes), 5 (no) = ((0.625\*9) + (0.333\*5))/14 = 0.521

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=== Detailed Accuracy By Class ===
              TP Rate
                                            Recall F-Measure
                                                               ROC Area Class
                       FP Rate
                         0.053
                                    0.833
                                                       0.909
                                                                 0.947
                                                                          soft
                0.75
                         0.1
                                    0.6
                                             0.75
                                                      0.667
                                                                 0.813
                                                                         hard
                0.8
                         0.111
                                    0.923
                                                      0.857
                                                                 0.811
                                             0.8
                                                                          none
                                             0.833
Weighted Avg.
               0.833
                         0.097
                                    0.851
                                                      0.836
                                                                 0.84
```

=== Confusion Matrix ===

```
a b c <-- classified as
```

5 0 0 | a = soft

0 3 1 | b = hard

1 2 12 | c = none

	Previsto				FN
		soft	hard	none	
Classe	soft	5	0	0	0
Real	hard	0	3	1	1
	none	1	2	12	3
F	Р	1	2	1	4

### **Measures of Classification Performance**

		FN					
		soft	hard	none			
Classe Real	soft	5	0	0	0		
	hard	0	3	1	1		
	none	1	2	12	3		
FP		1	2	1	4		

	1				
soft					
5	0				
1	15				

	<u> </u>				
hard					
3	1				
2	17				

none						
12	3					
1	8					

Prec-global = 20/(20+4) = 20/24 = 0.833 (Micro)

Prec-soft: 5/(5+1) = 0.833Prec-hard: 3/(3+2) = 0.6

Prec-none: 12/(12+1) = 0.923

$$Precision = Positive \ Predictive \ Value = \frac{TP}{TP + FP}$$

Macro (0.785) OR Macro Weighted Average (0.850)

((0.833\*5) + (0.6\*4) + (0.923\*15))/24 = 0.850

- Let's consider a classifier that gives a numeric score for an instance to be classified in the positive class
  - Instances with a higher score are more likely to have to be classified as positive
- Almost all classifiers generate positive or negative predictions by applying a threshold to a score

- The choice of this threshold will have an impact in the trade-offs of positive and negative errors
  - A higher threshold will reduce the FPR, as less instances will be classified as positive. However, the FNR would increase, as we are very restrictive in classifying an instance as positive
  - A lower threshold will reduce the FNR, as more instances are classified as positive. However, a larger FPR is expected, as we are more lenient in classifying instances as positive

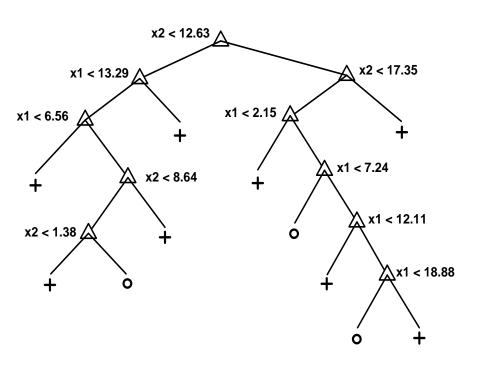
- For evaluating a scoring classifier, we may choose an arbitrary threshold and use the metrics discussed before
  - However, we throw away the granularity given by the scores, as we cannot differentiate between more or less likely instances within each class, and we are committed to this arbitrary threshold
- To avoid these drawbacks, it would be interesting to evaluate the scoring classifications without having to select a specific threshold

- ROC curve is a graphical approach for displaying the tradeoff between true positive rate and false positive rate of a classifier
- ROC curve plots TPR (y-axis) against FPR (x-axis)
  - Performance of a model represented as a point in an ROC curve
  - Changing the threshold parameter of classifier changes the location of the point

- To draw ROC curve, classifier must produce continuous-valued output
  - Outputs are used to rank test records, from the most likely positive class record to the least likely positive class record
- Many classifiers produce only discrete outputs (i.e., predicted class)
  - How to get continuous-valued outputs?
    - Decision trees, rule-based classifiers, k-nearest neighbors, ...

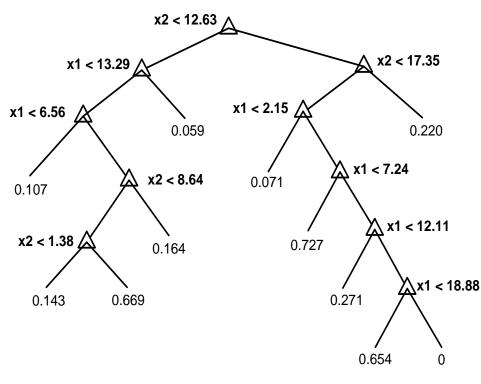
## **Example: Decision Trees**

#### **Decision Tree**



Suppose that you have two classes T and F, and in your leaf node you have 10 instances with T and 5 instances with F, you can return a vector of scores: (scoreT, scoreF)=(10/15, 5/15)=(0.66, 0.33)

#### **Continuous-valued outputs**



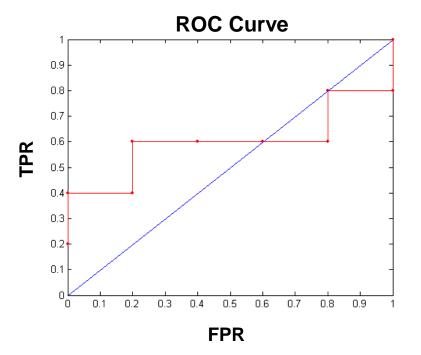
### How to Construct an ROC curve

		<u> </u>
Instance	Score	True Class
1	0.95	+
2	0.93	+
3	0.87	-
4	0.85	-
5	0.85	-
6	0.85	+
7	0.76	-
8	0.53	+
9	0.43	-
10	0.25	+

- Use a classifier that produces a continuous-valued score for each instance
  - The more likely it is for the instance to be in the + class, the higher the score
- Sort the instances in decreasing order according to the score
- Apply a threshold at each unique value of the score
- Count the number of TP, FP, TN, FN at each threshold
  - TPR = TP/(TP+FN) = TP/Pos
  - FPR = FP/(FP + TN) = FP/Neg

## How to construct an ROC curve

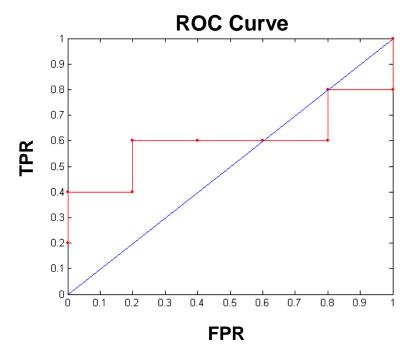
									F		
	Class	+	+	-	+	•	•	•	+	•	+
Threshold	l >=	0.95	0.93	0.87	0.85	0.85	0.85	0.76	0.53	0.43	0.25
	TP	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	4	4	5
	FP	0	0	1	1	2	3	4	4	5	5
	TN	5	5	4	4	3	2	1	1	0	0
	FN	4	3	3	2	2	2	2	1	1	0
$\longrightarrow$	TPR	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.8	1
	FPR	0	0	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	0.8	1	1



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<b>→</b>	TPR	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.8	1
	FPR	0	0	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	0.8	1	1

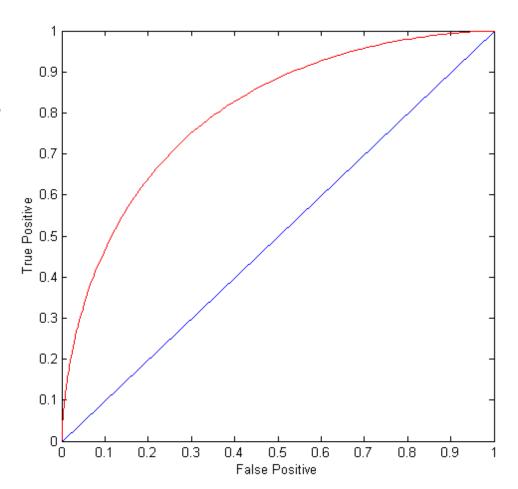


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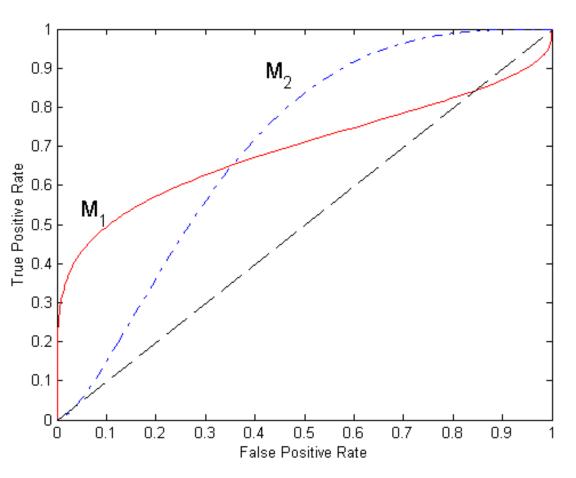
### **ROC Curve**

### (TPR,FPR):

- (0,0): declare everything to be negative class
- (1,1): declare everything to be positive class
- (0,1): ideal
- Diagonal line:
  - Random guessing
  - Below diagonal line:
    - prediction is opposite of the true class



# **Using ROC for Model Comparison**



- No model consistently outperform the other
  - M<sub>1</sub> is better for small FPR
  - M<sub>2</sub> is better for large FPR
- Area Under the ROC curve
  - Ideal:
    - Area = 1
  - Random guess:
    - Area = 0.5