

Decision Tree

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Decision Tree Structure

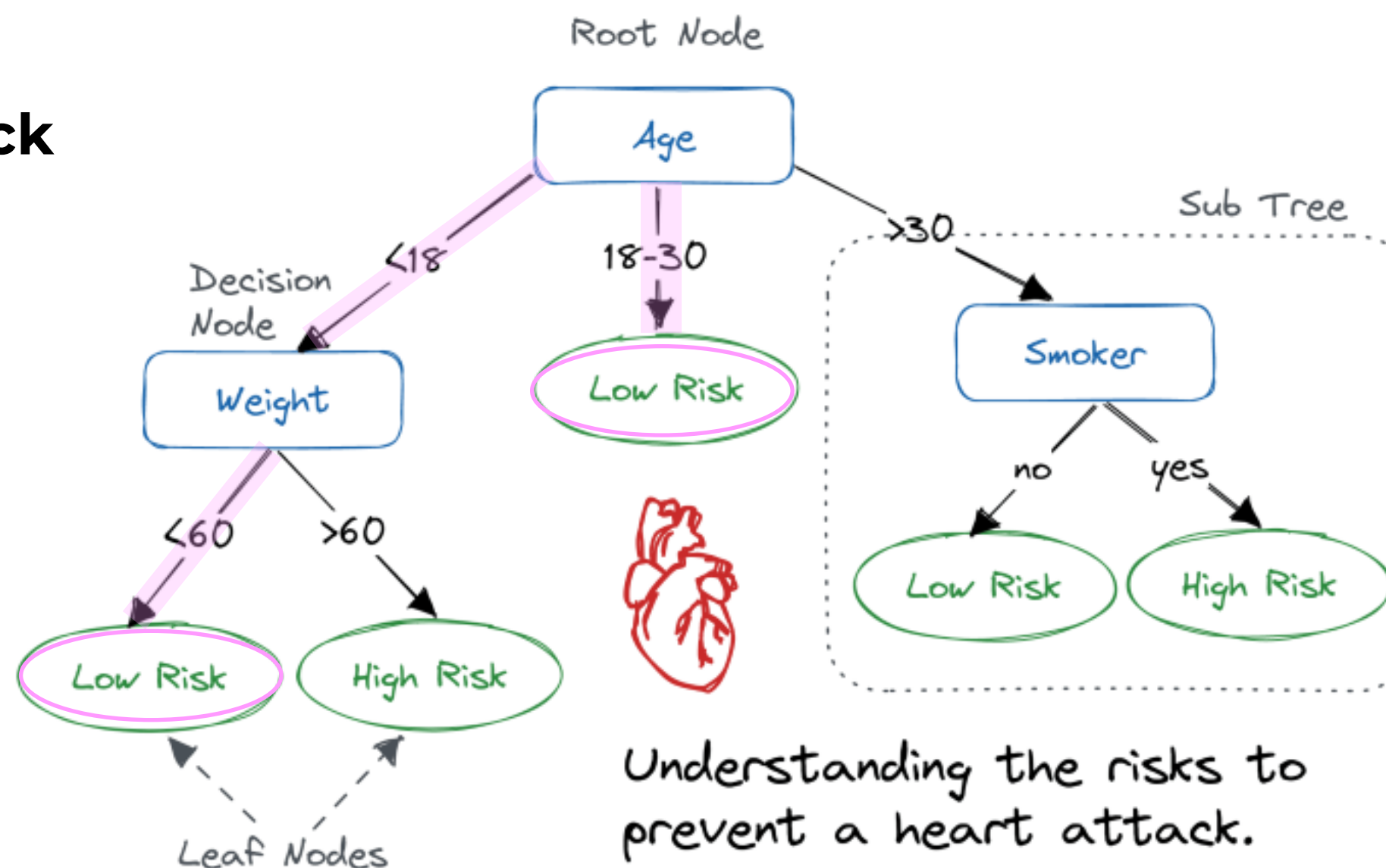
Risk for heart attack

Features:

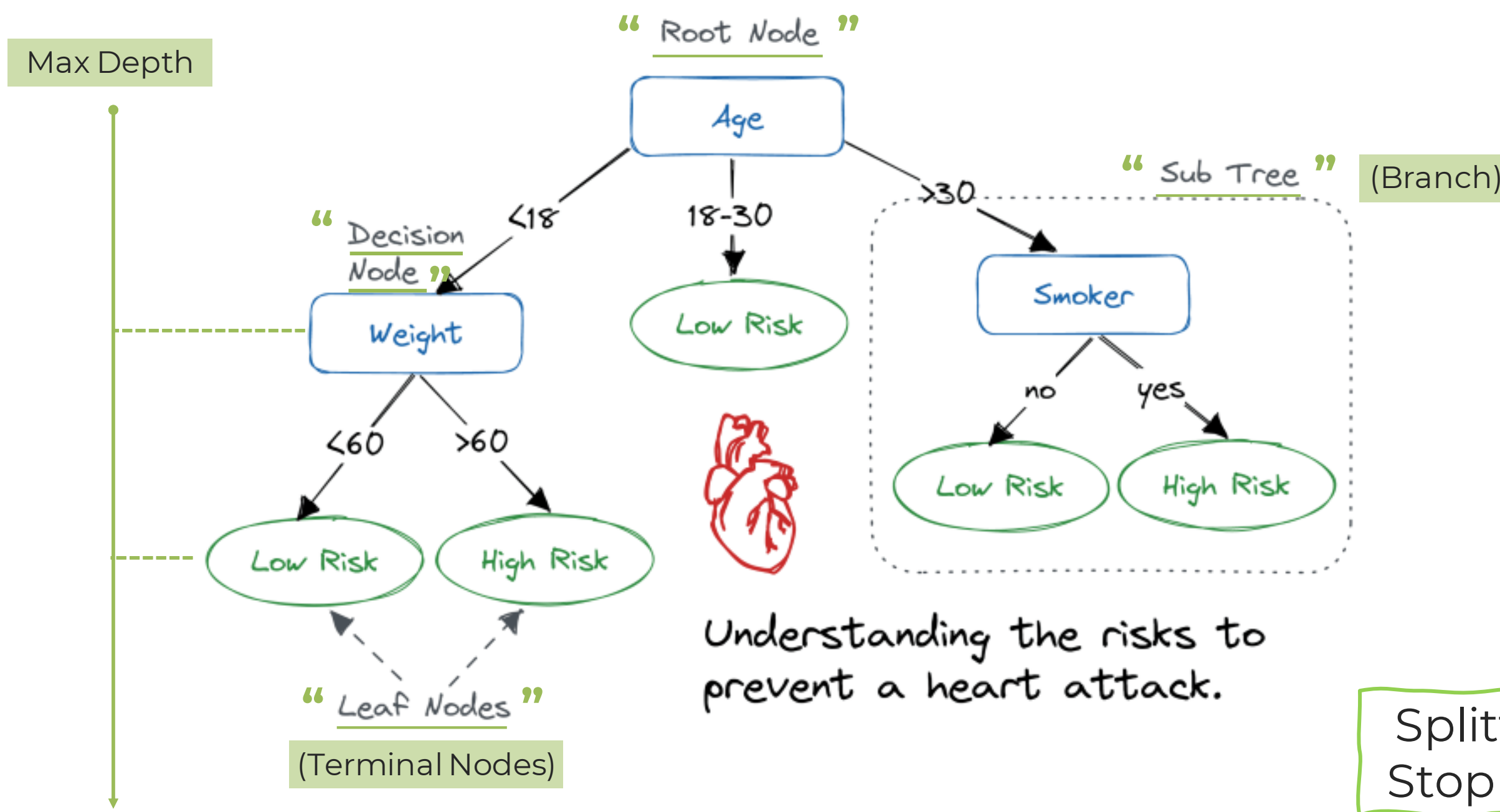
- Age
- Weight
- Smoker

Labels/classes:

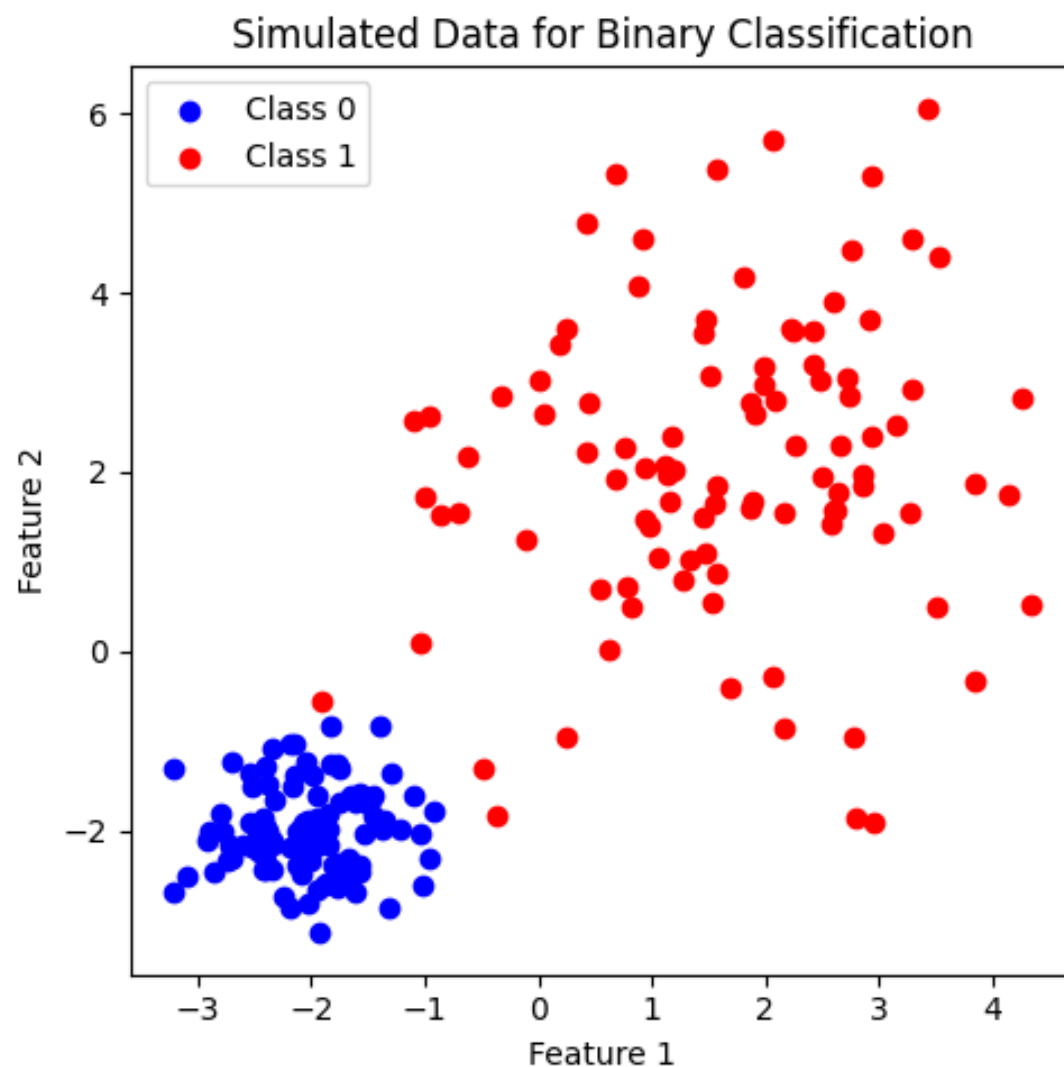
- Low risk
- High risk



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Dataset

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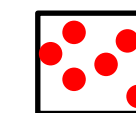
Gini Impurity

$$gini = \sum_i p_i(1 - p_i)$$

where p_i is the proportion of class i in a node, such that $\sum_i p_i = 1$.

For binary classification (2 classes: $p_0 + p_1 = 1$),

$gini$ is minimum at $p_i = 0$ or $p_i = 1 \rightarrow$ Perfect split

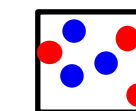


$$p_0 = 0, p_1 = 6/6 = 1$$

$$gini = 0 \times (1 - 0) + 1 \times (1 - 1) = 0$$

$gini$ is maximum at $p_i = 0.5$

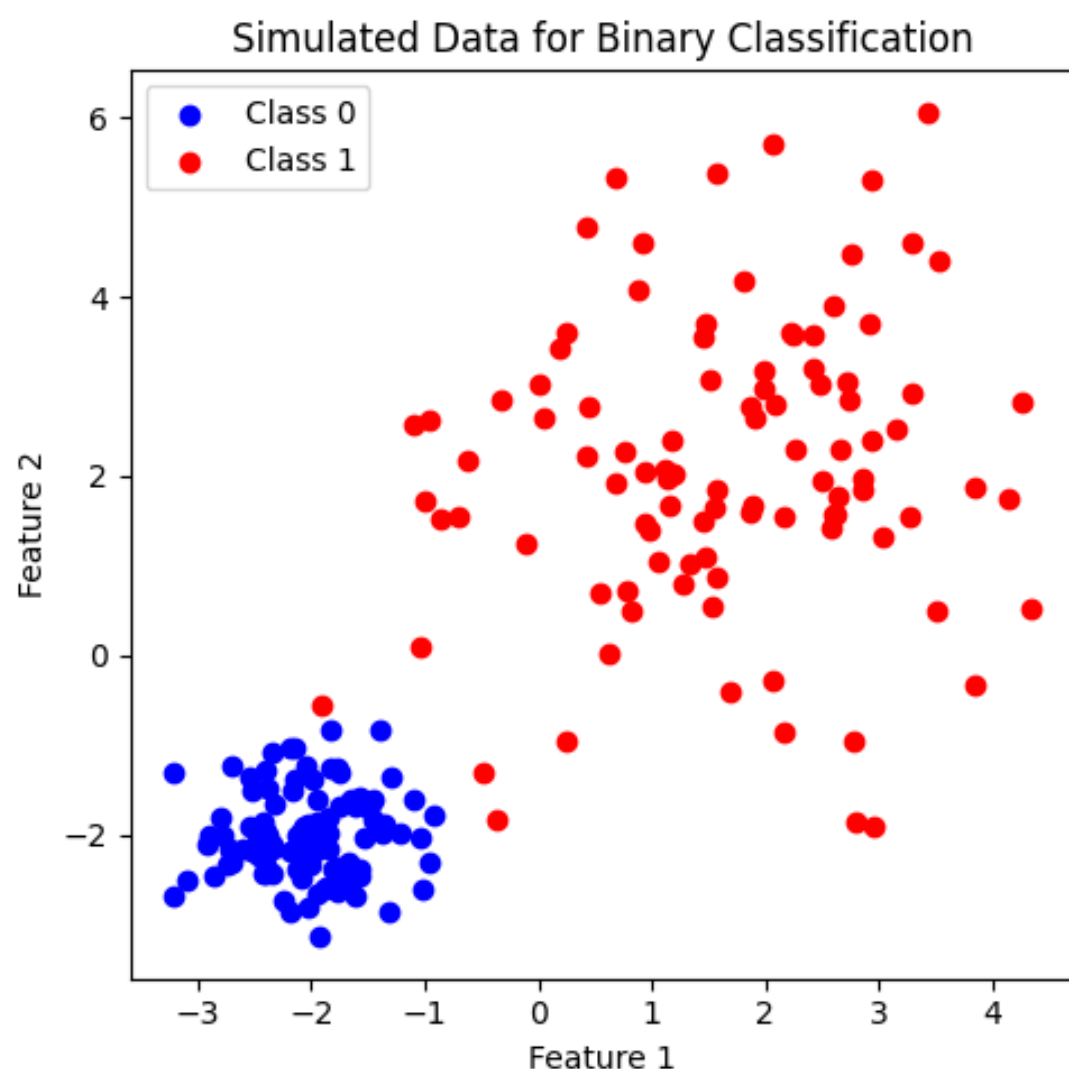
\rightarrow Equally split



$$p_0 = p_1 = 3/6 = 0.5$$

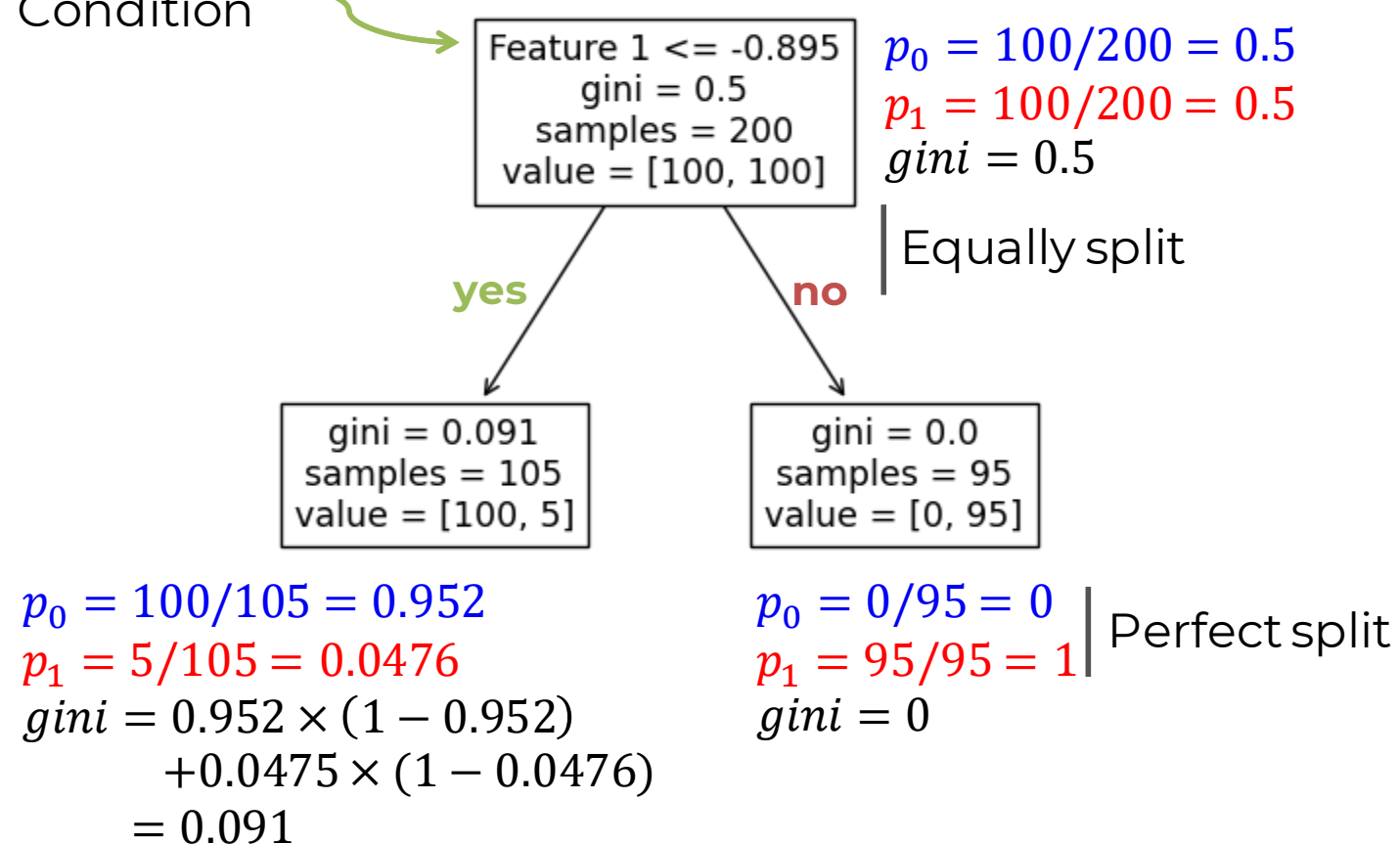
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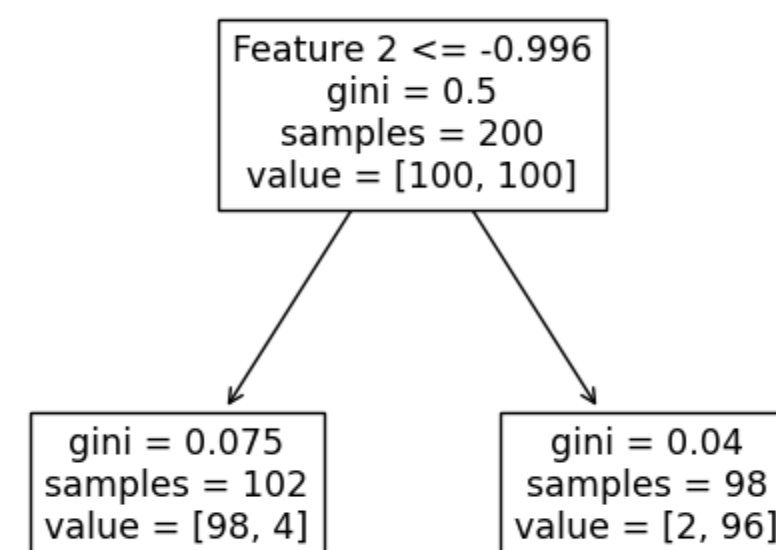
Split on Feature 1

Decision Condition



$$\text{weighted gini} = \left(\frac{105}{200}\right) \times 0.091 + \left(\frac{95}{200}\right) \times 0 = 0.048$$

Split on Feature 2



$$\text{weighted gini} = \left(\frac{102}{200}\right) \times 0.075 + \left(\frac{98}{200}\right) \times 0.04 = 0.058$$

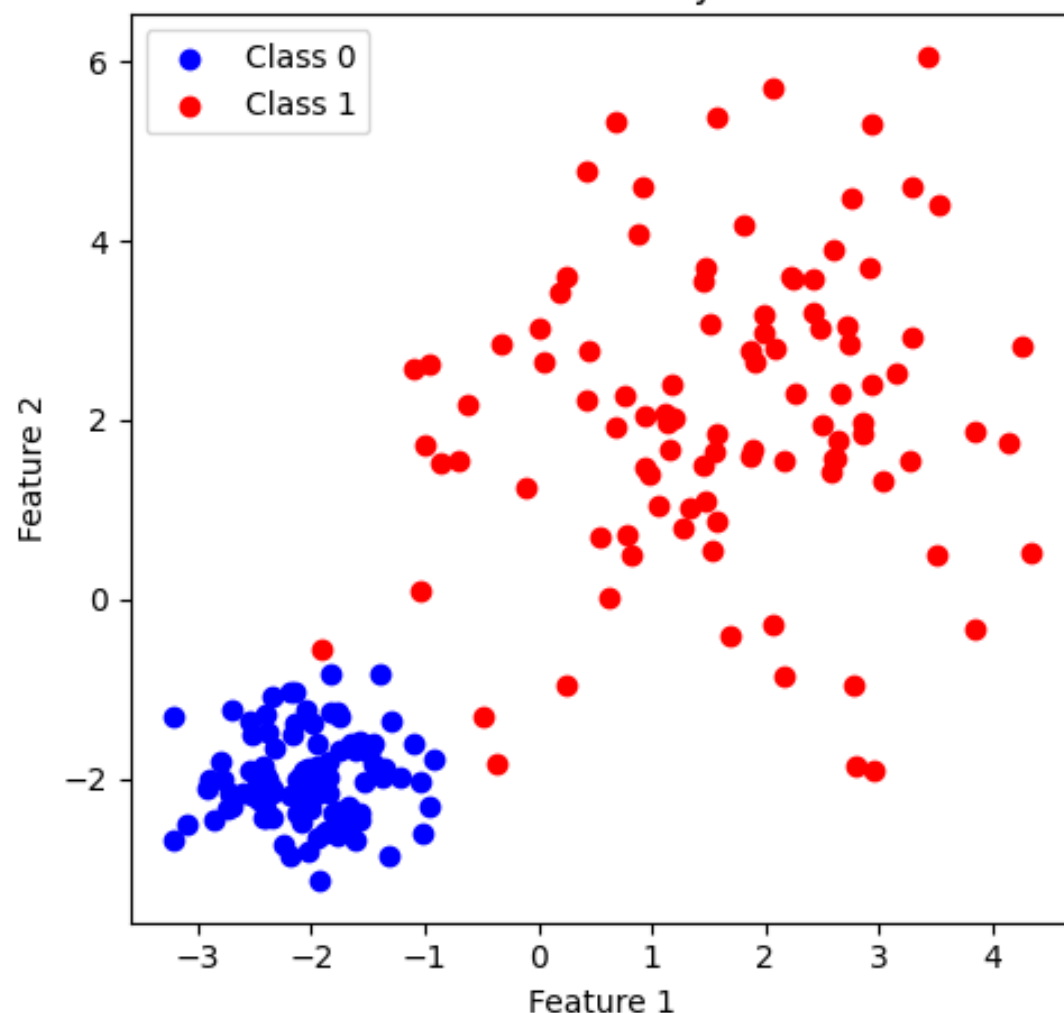
Splitting Criteria

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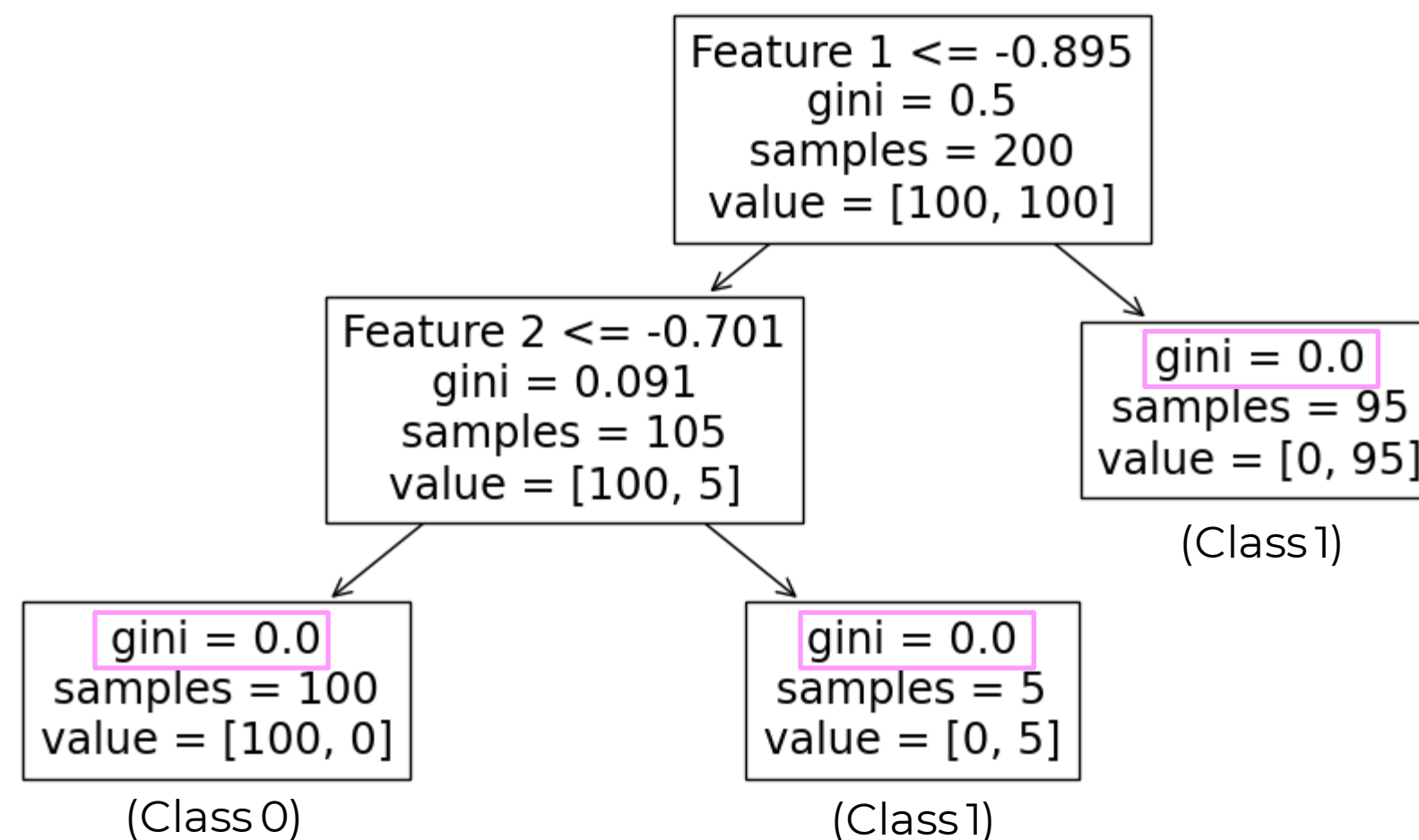
Simulated Data for Binary Classification



Dataset

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Class 1: 100 data

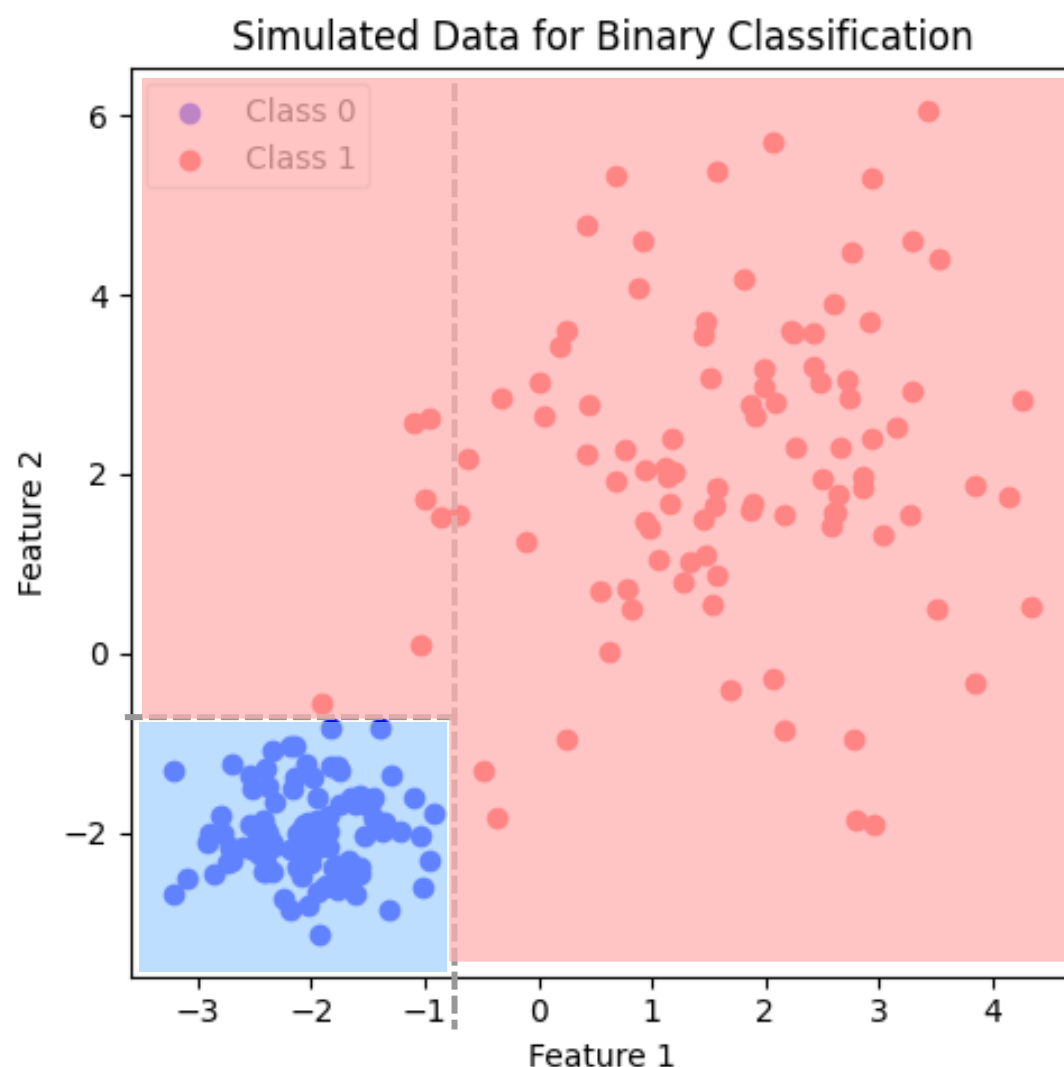


Stopping Criteria

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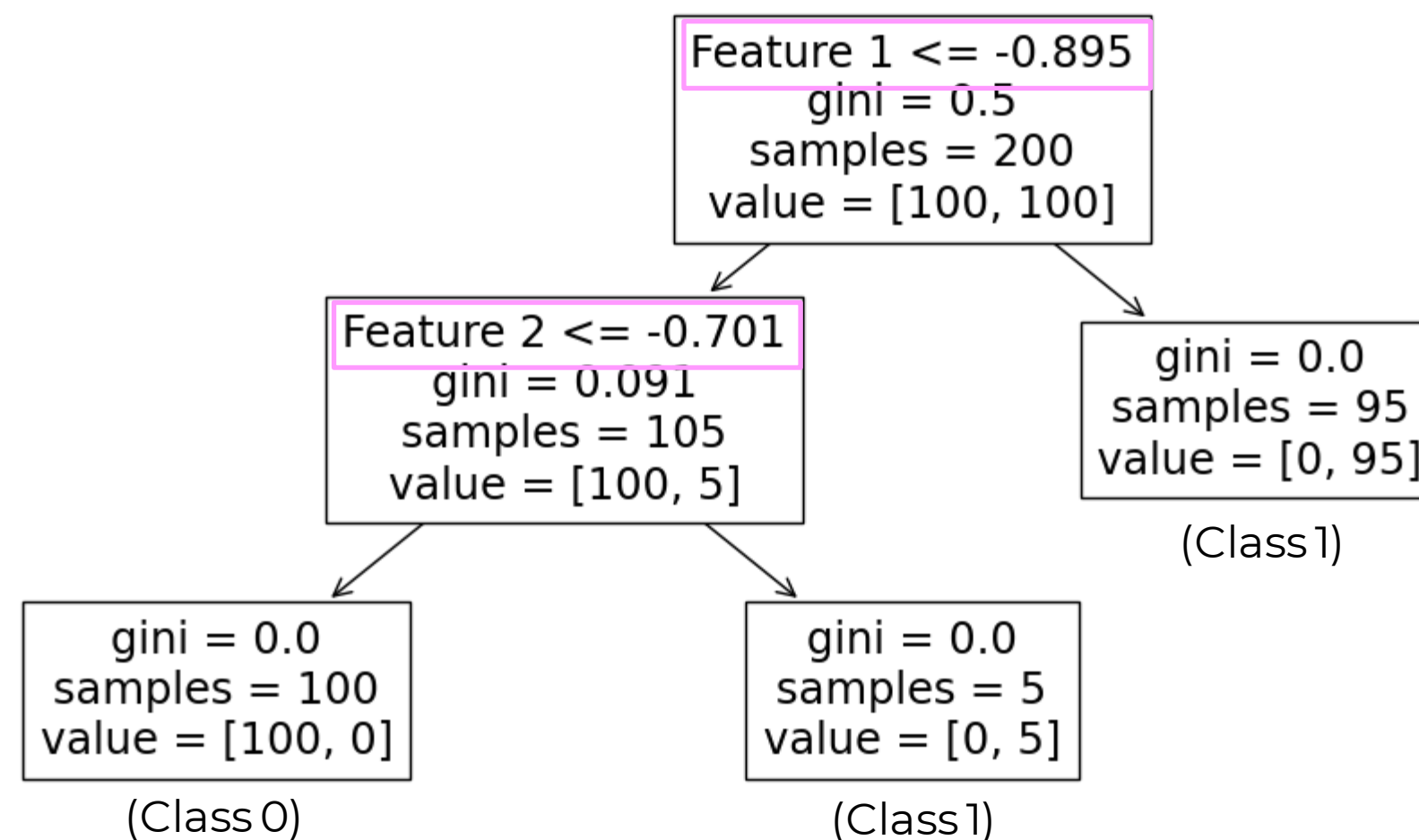
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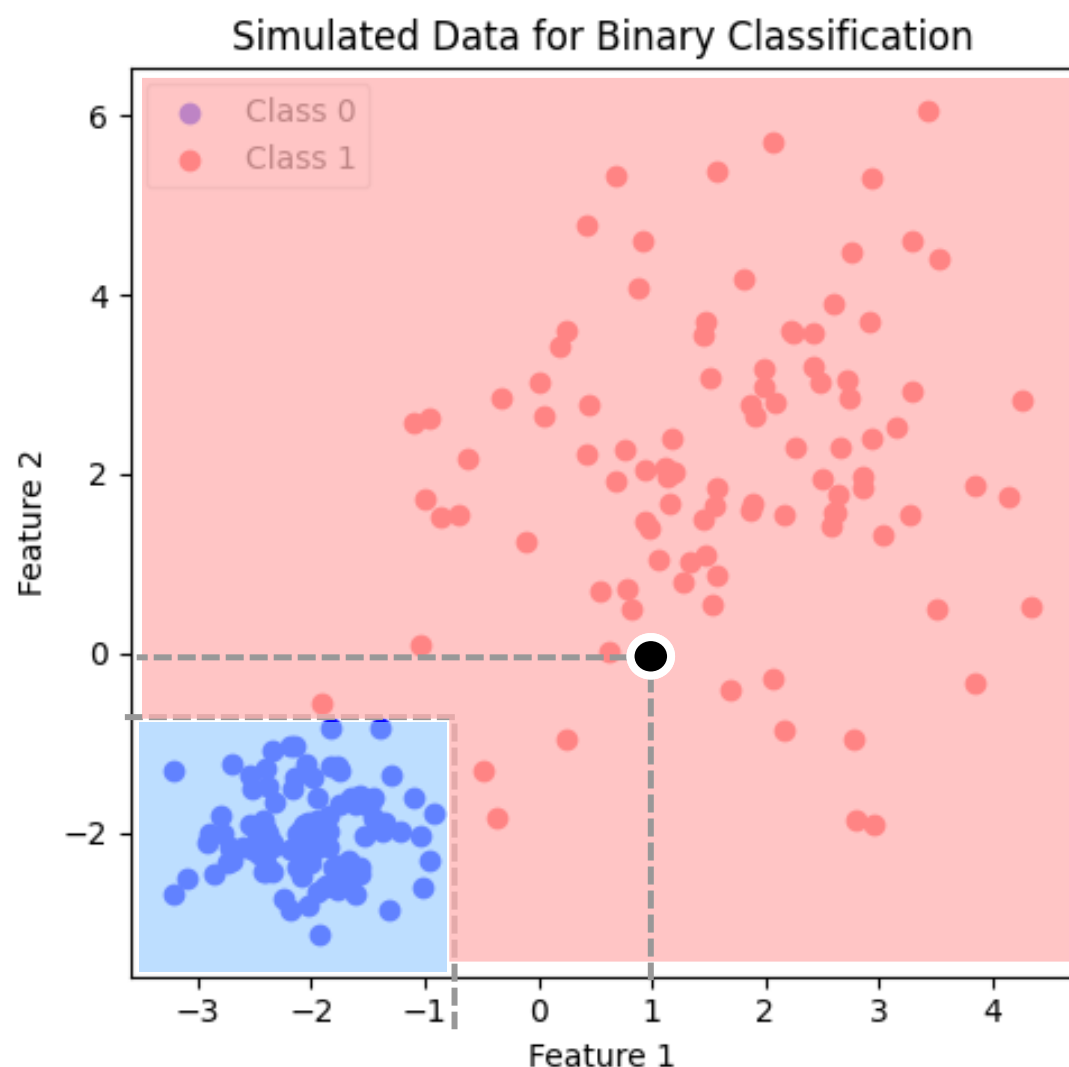


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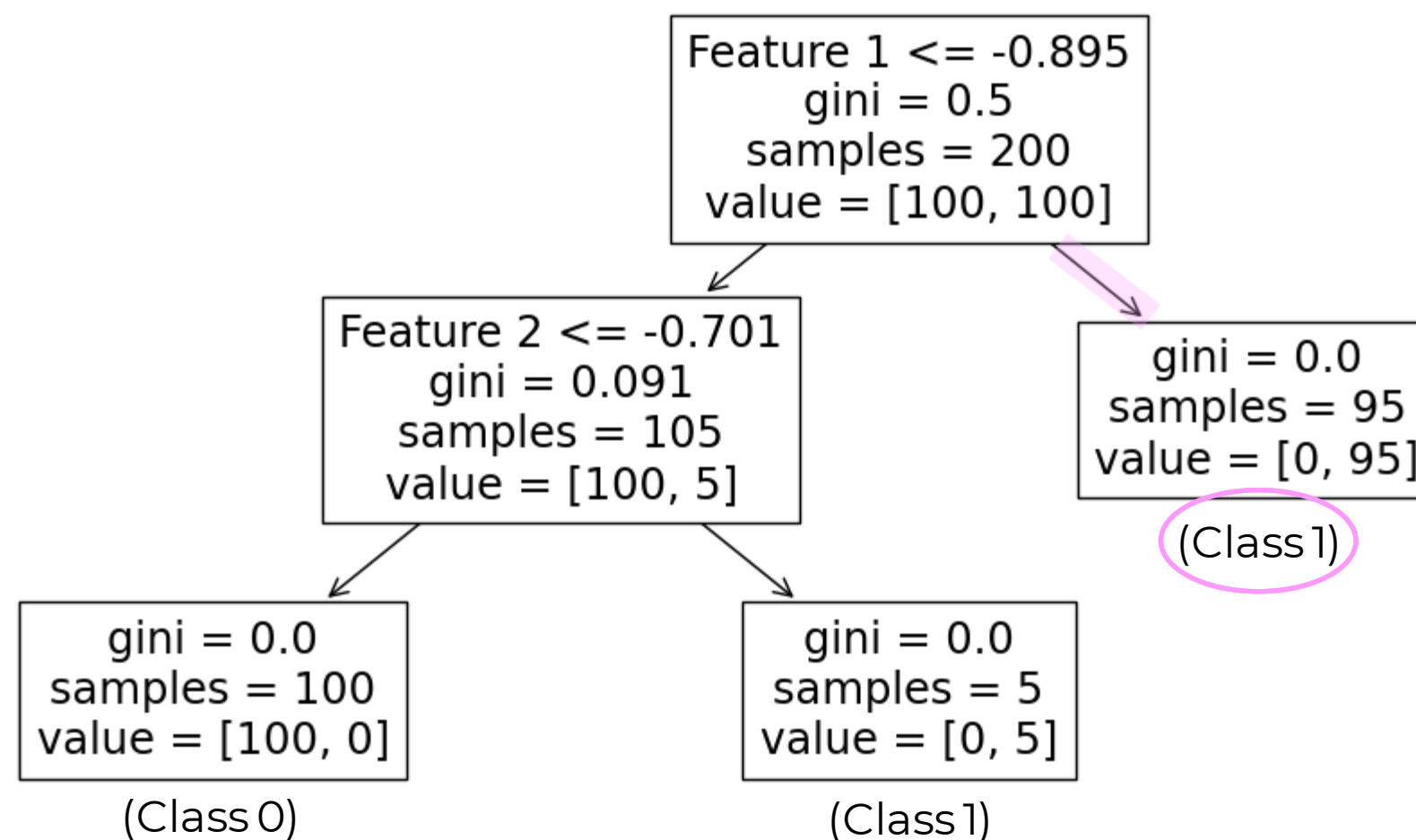
New data: Feature 1 = 1, Feature 2 = 0, Class?



Dataset

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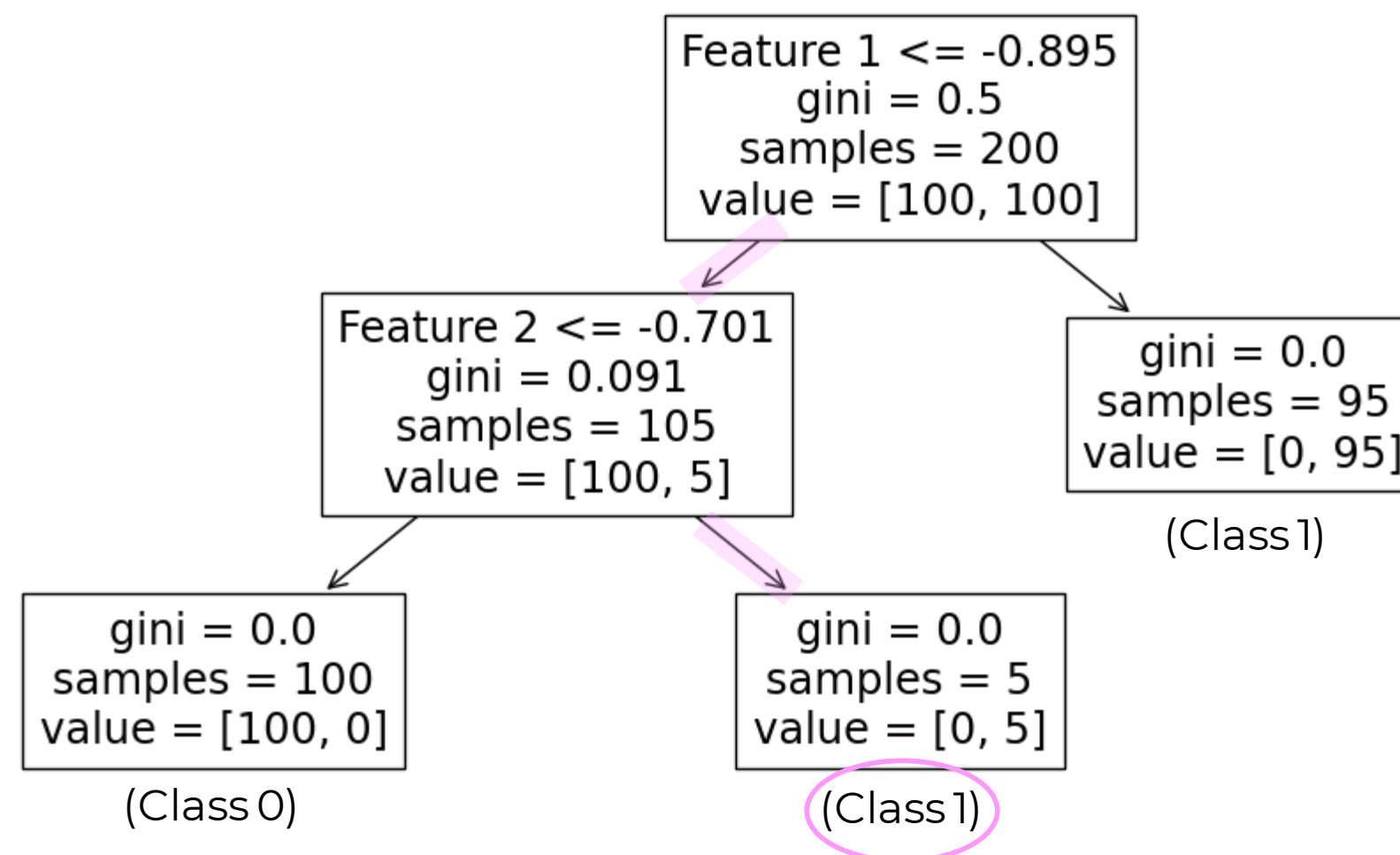
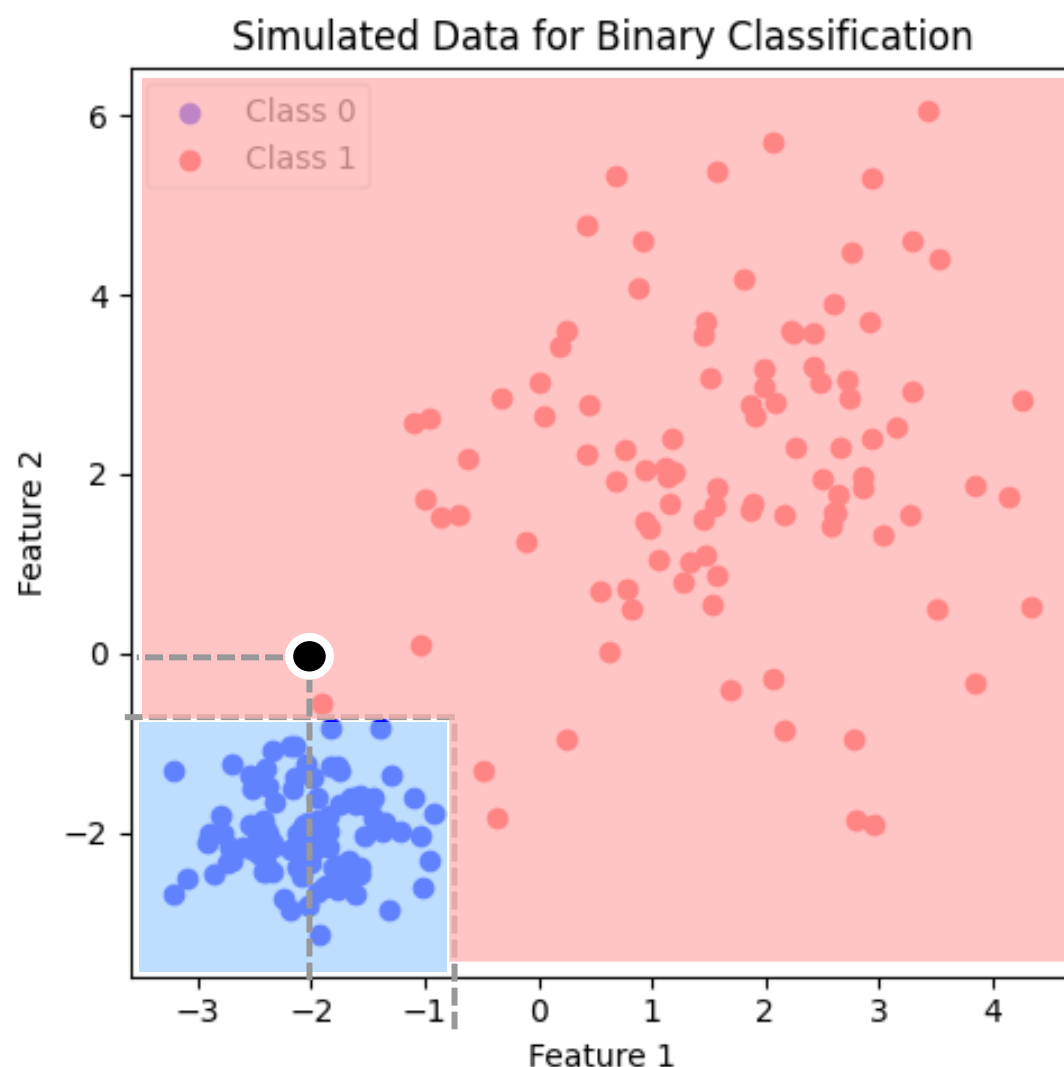


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New data: Feature 1 = -2, Feature 2 = 0, Class?

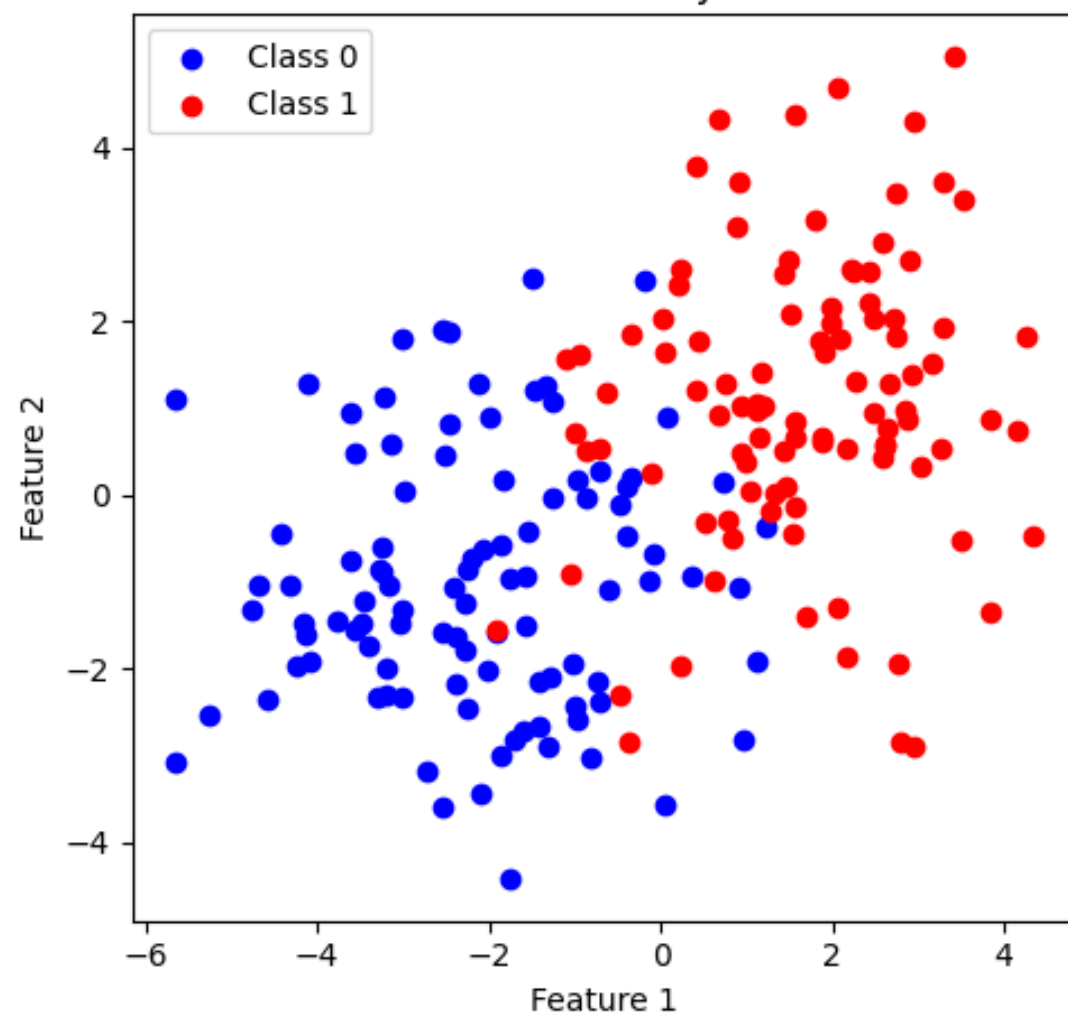


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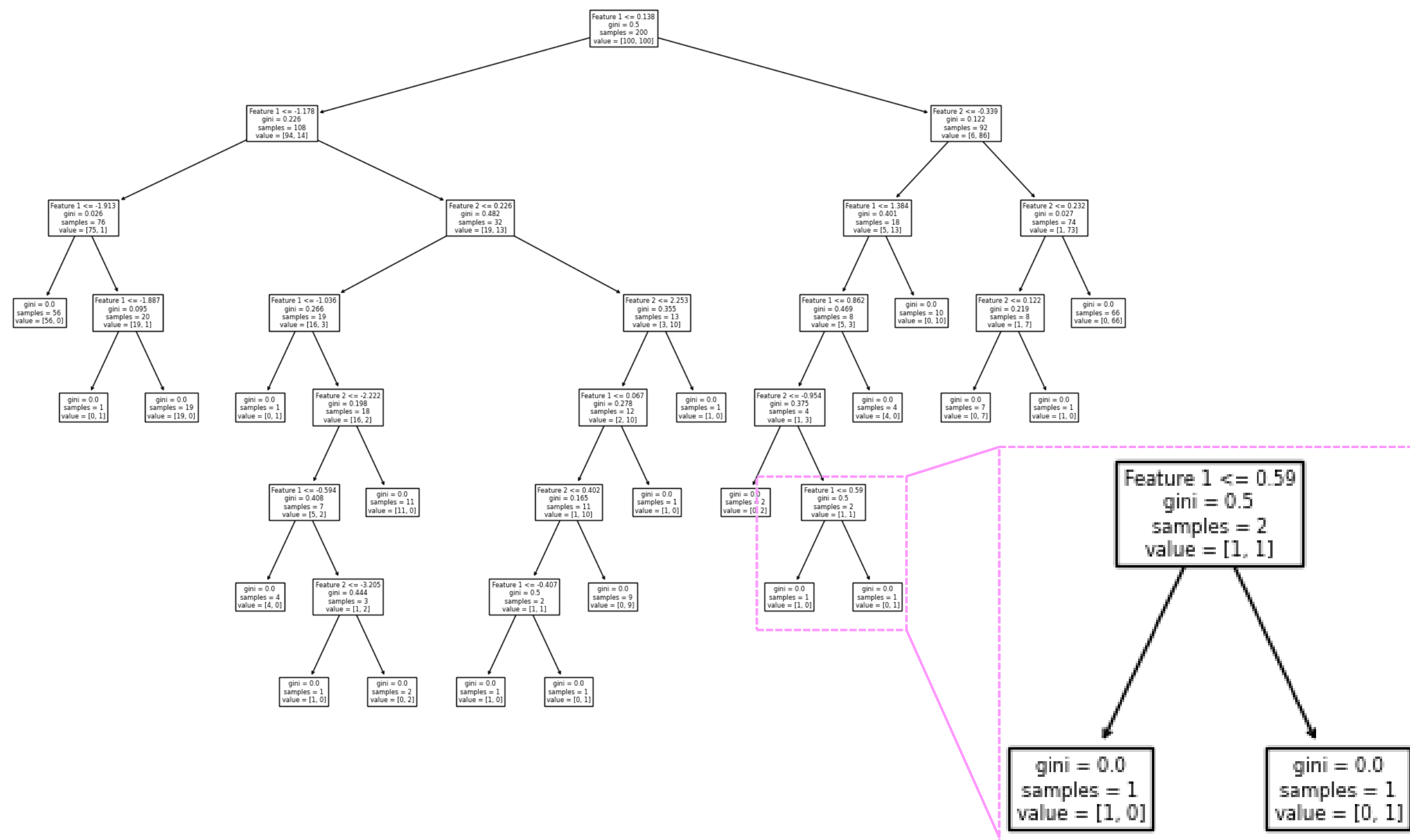
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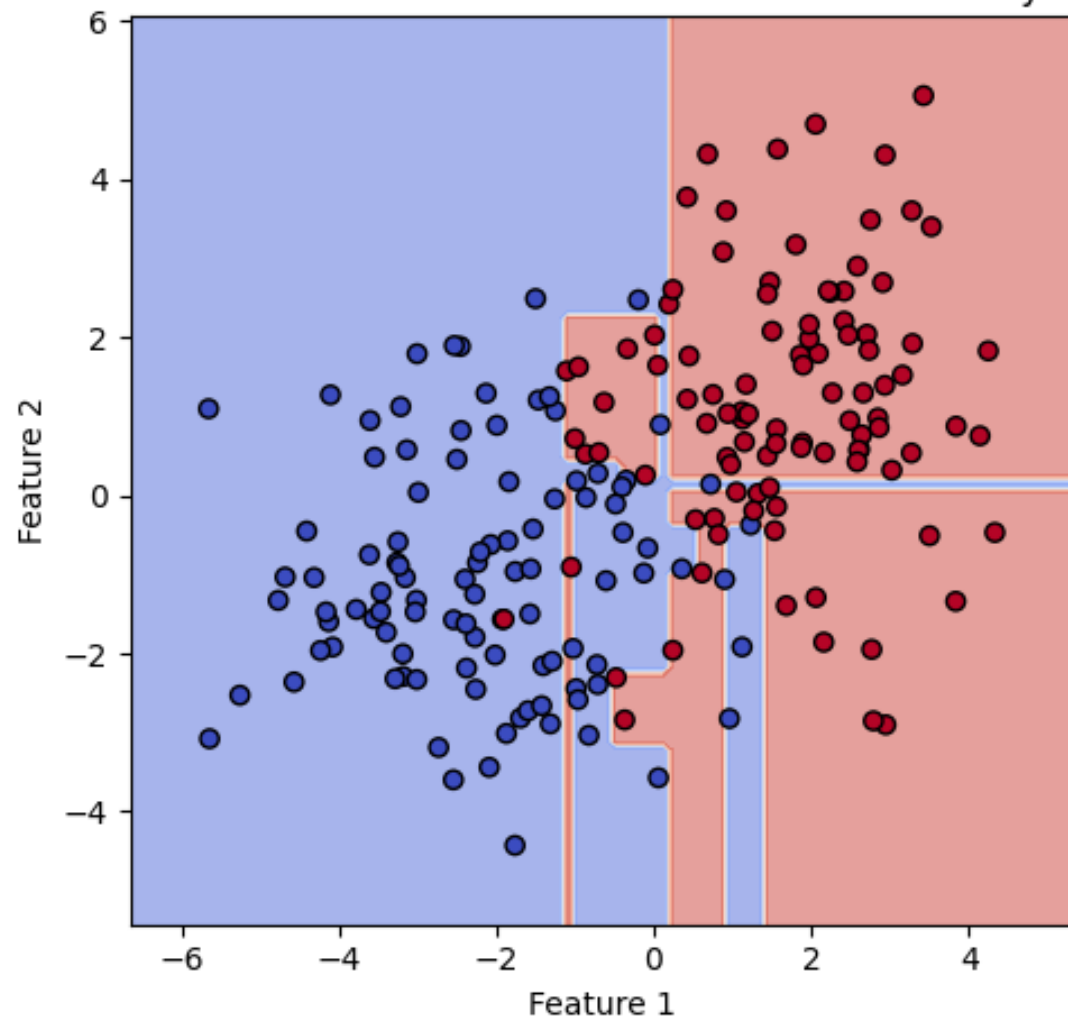


Dataset
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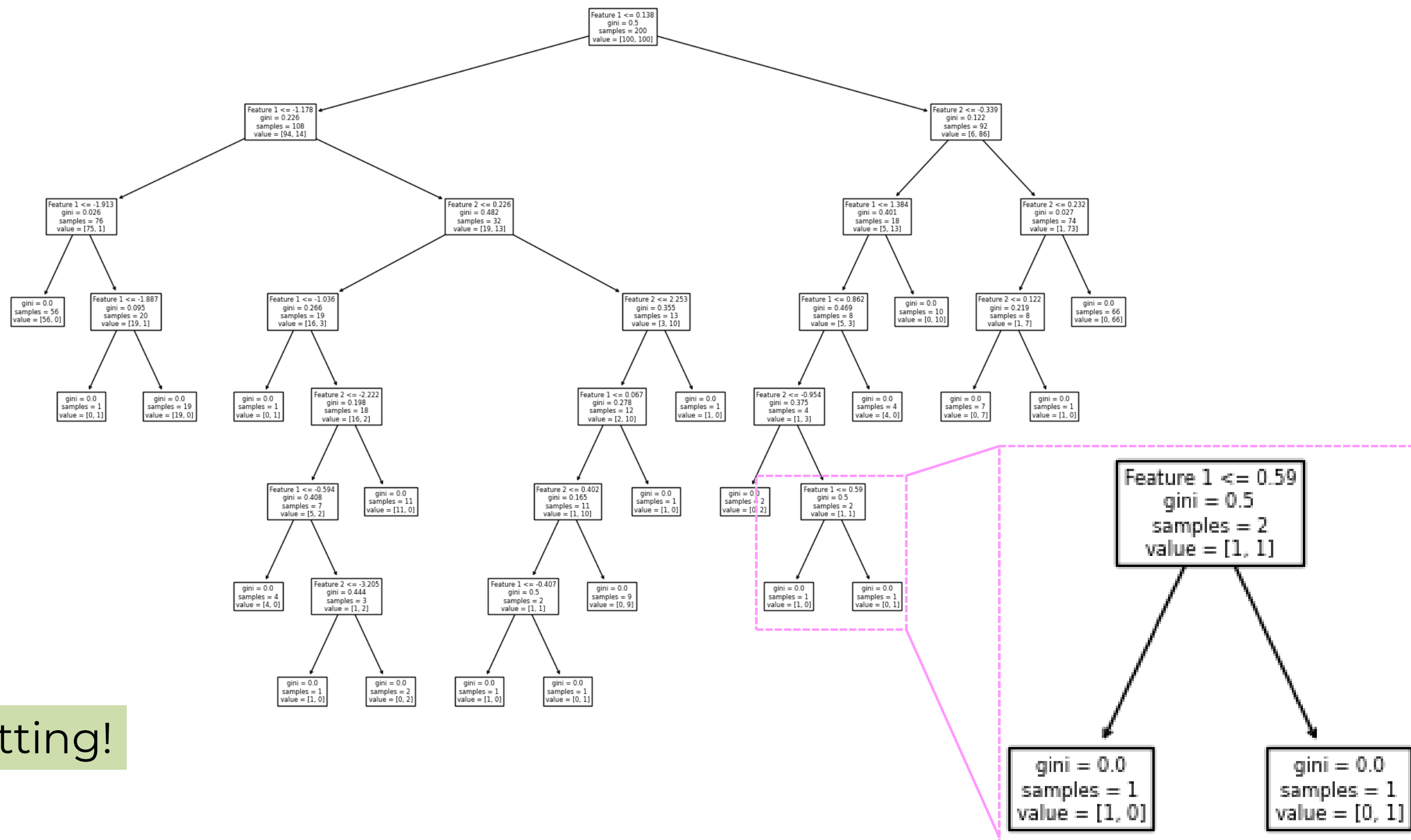
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Decision Tree Classification: Decision boundary



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Overfitting!



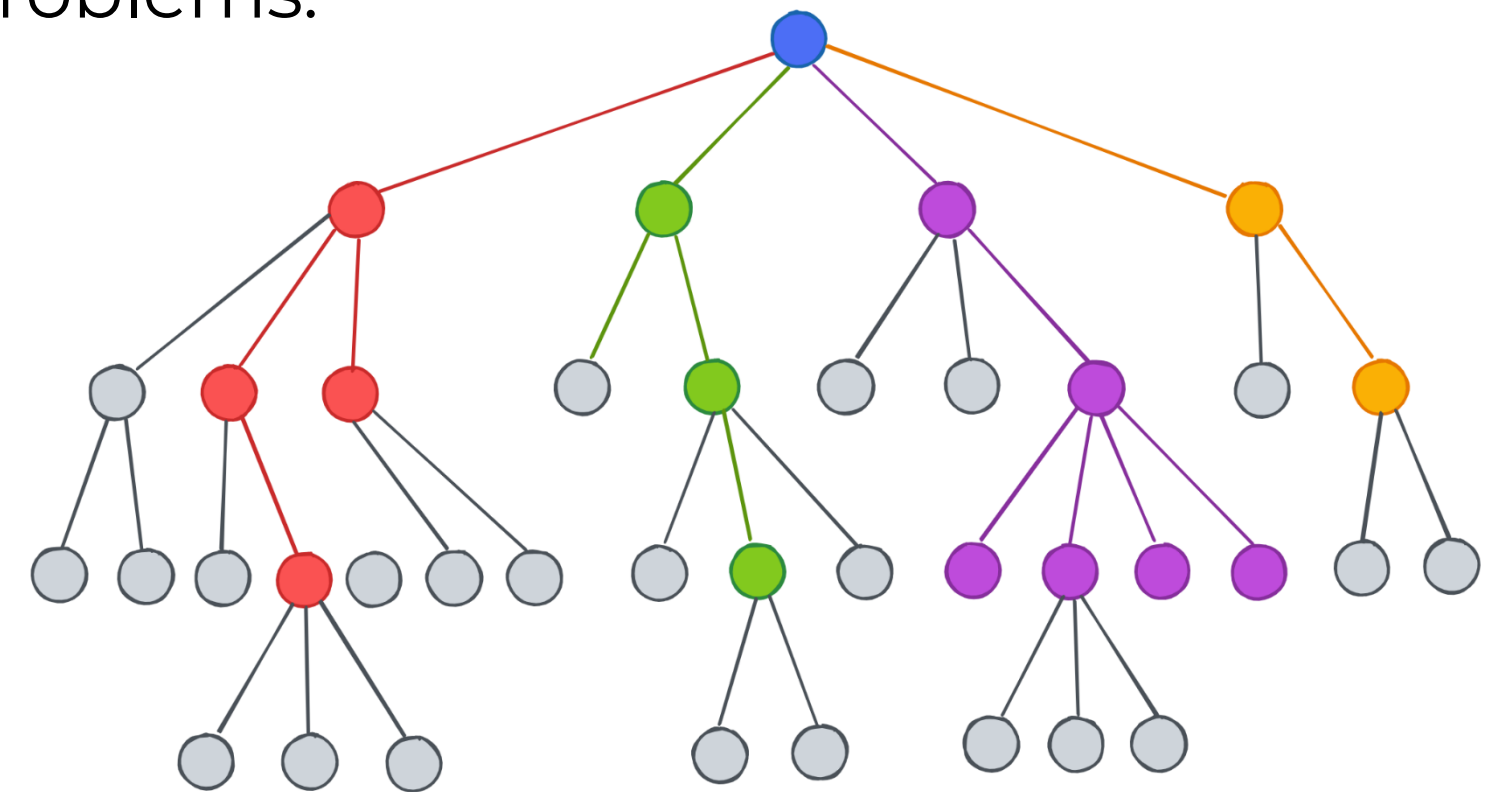
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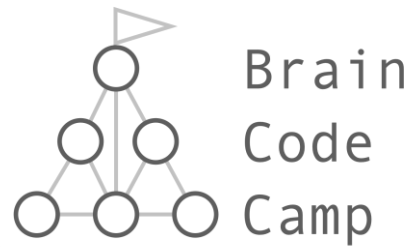
Pros:

- Can solve both linear and non-linear problems.
- Can ignore redundant features.
- Easy to visualize and explain.

Cons:

- Easy to overfit.
- Does not generalize well.
- Large trees are hard to interpret.





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Overfitting

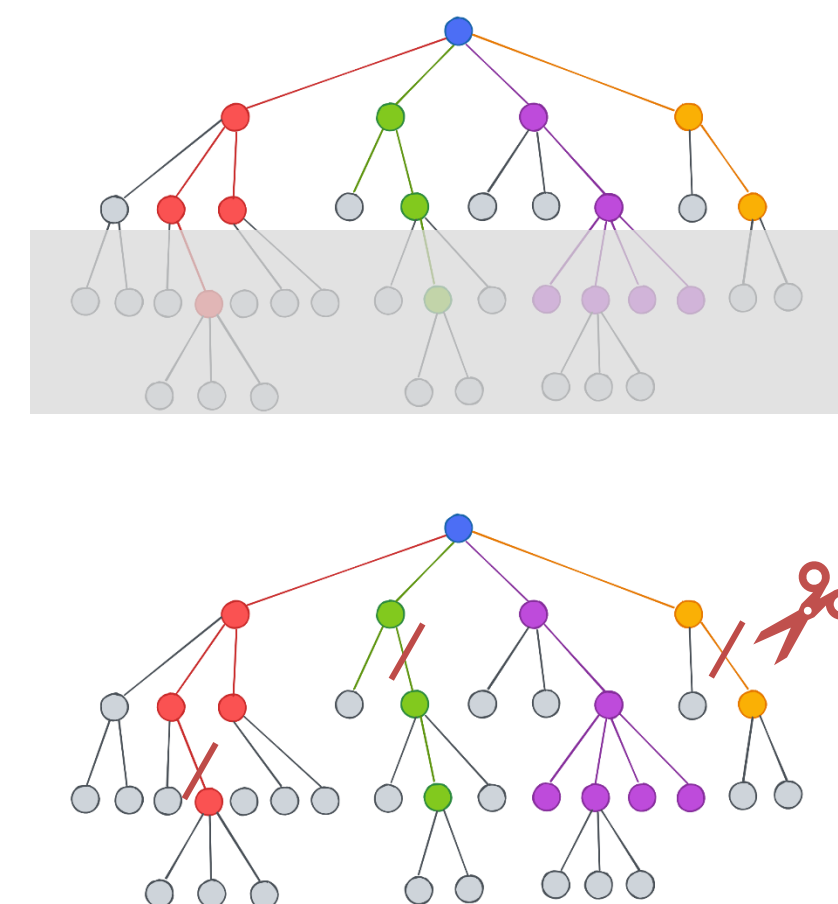
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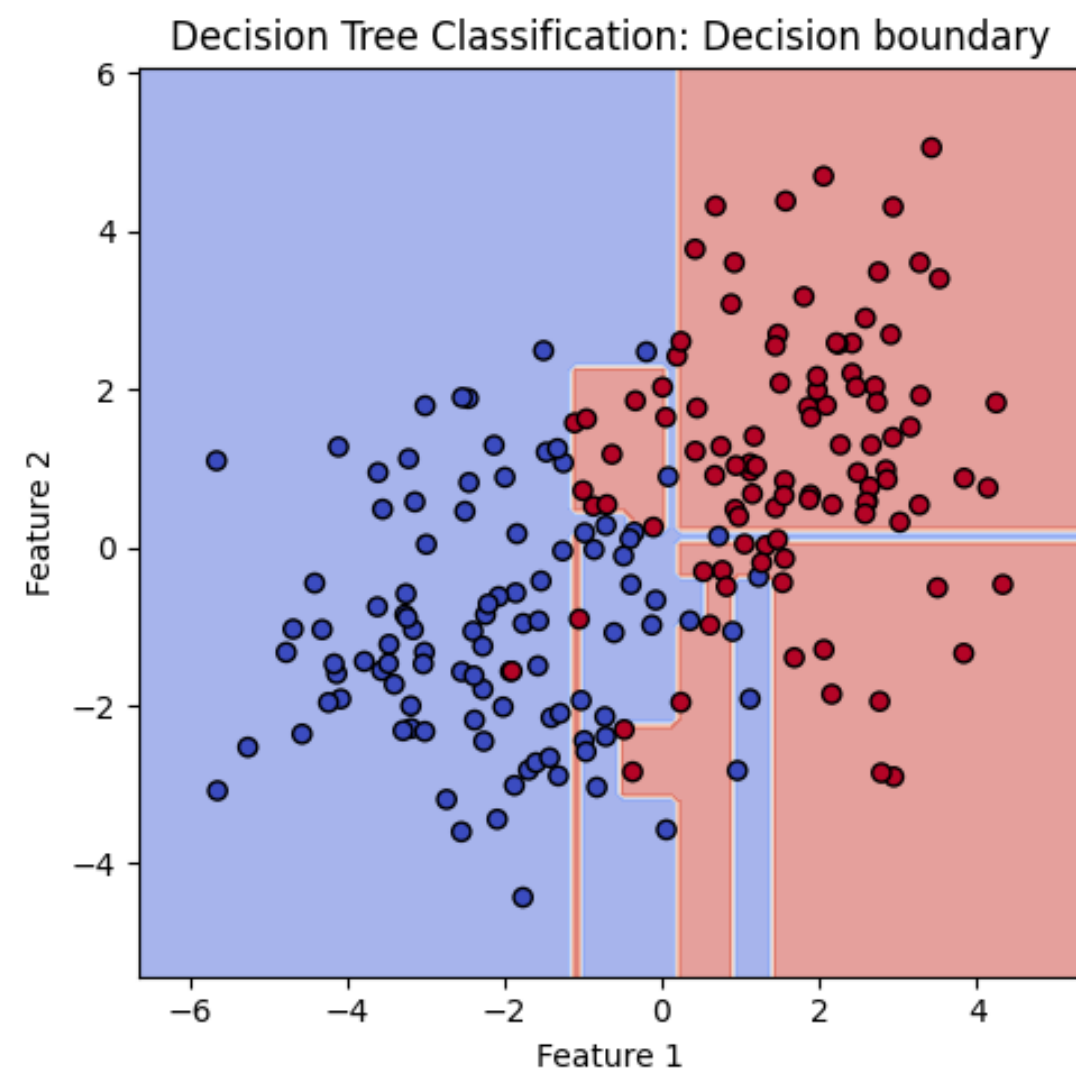
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(see random forest video)

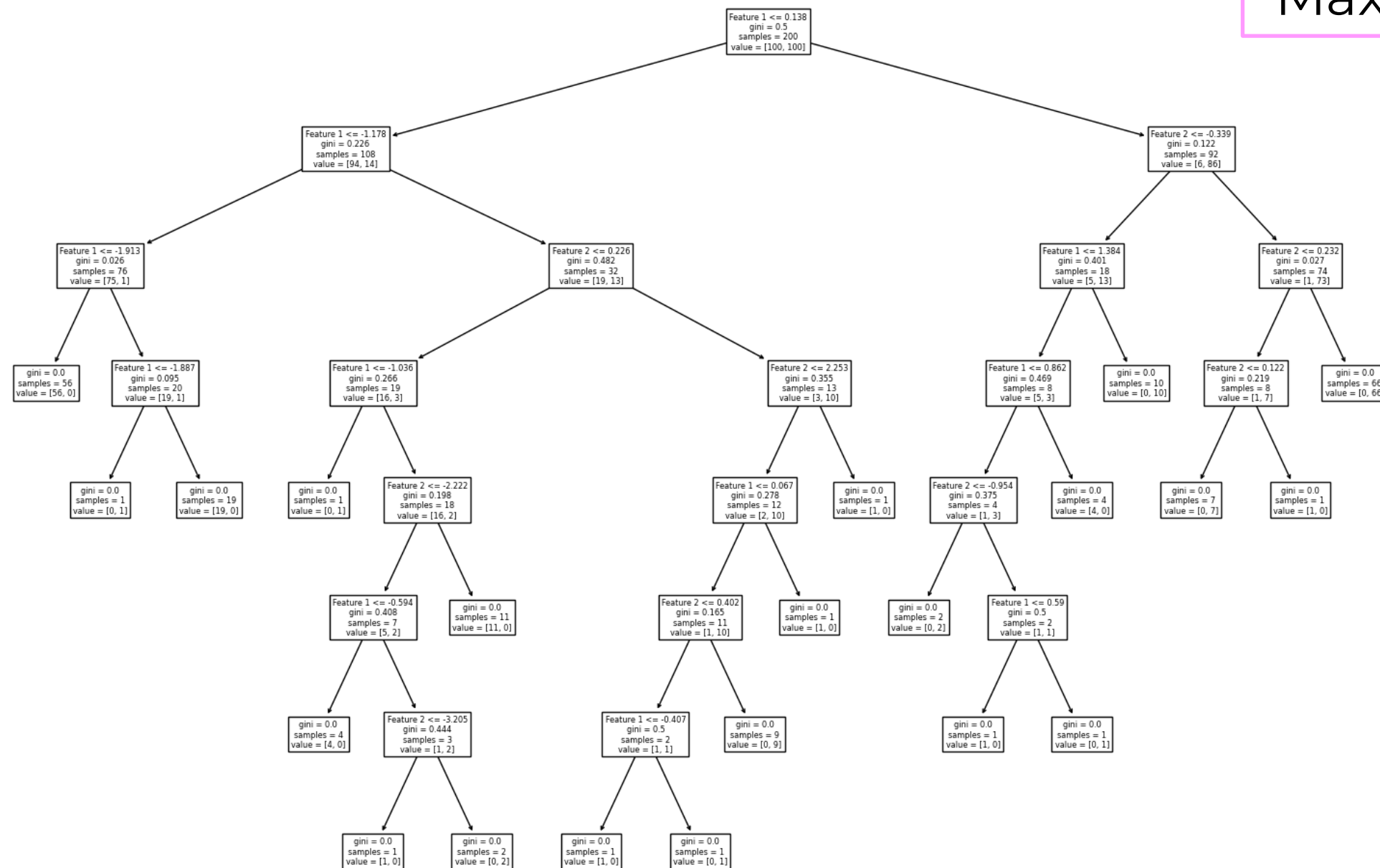


Early Stopping

Max Depth = 7

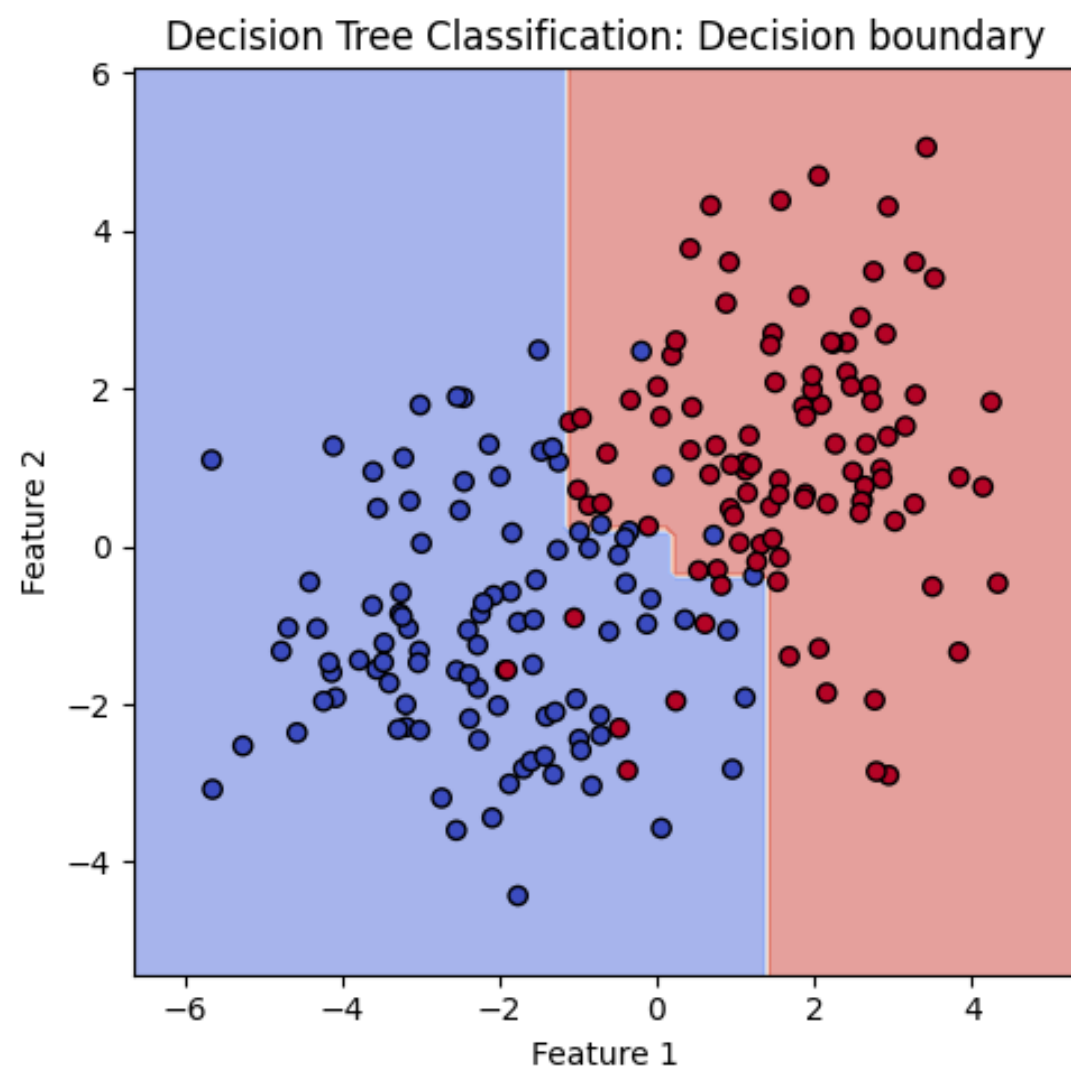


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Early Stopping

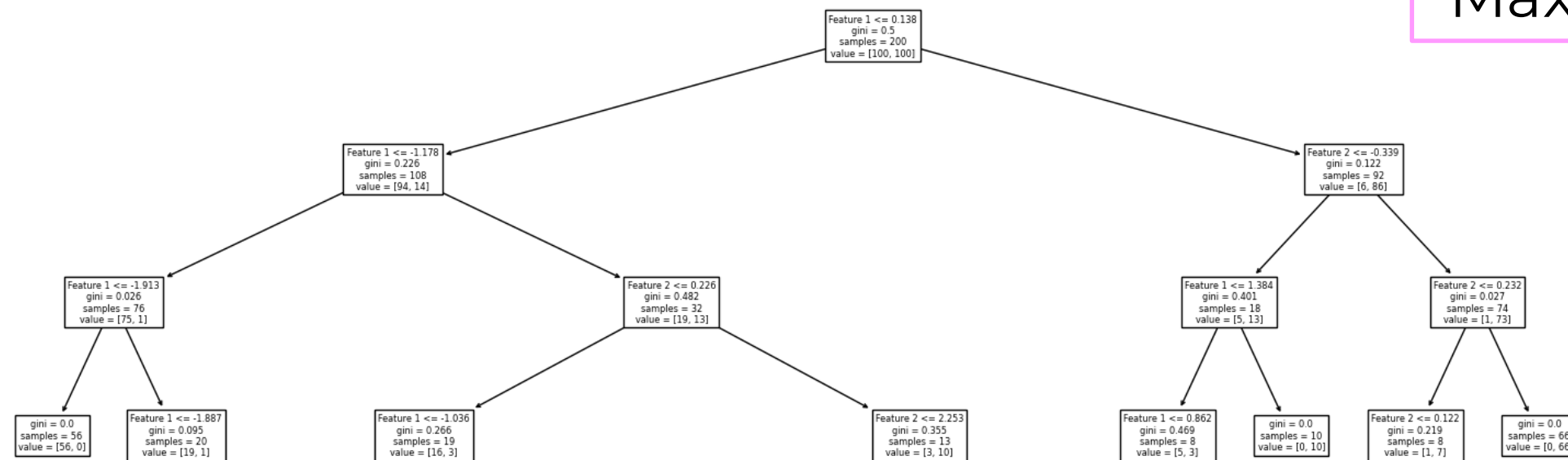
Max Depth = 3



Dataset

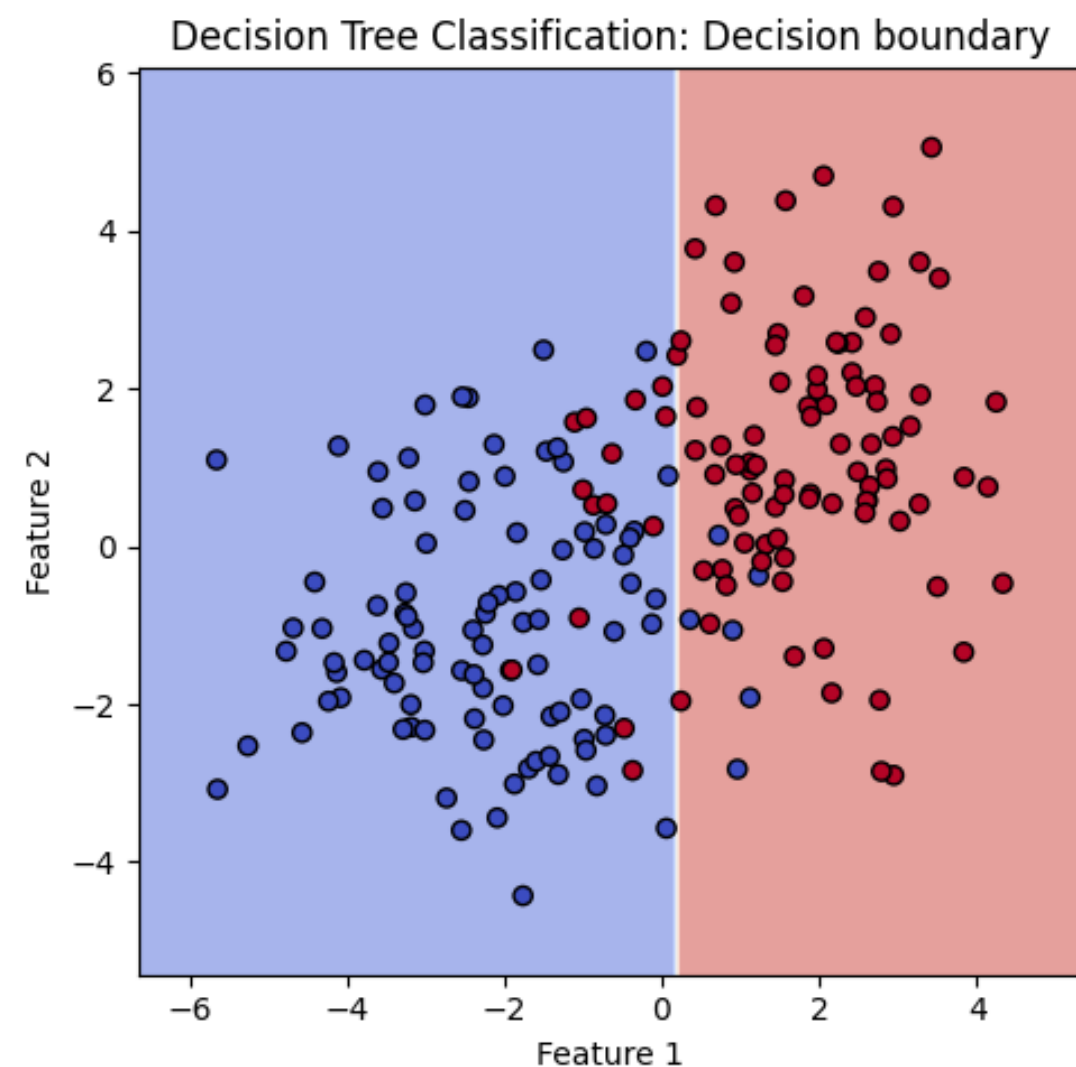
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Early Stopping

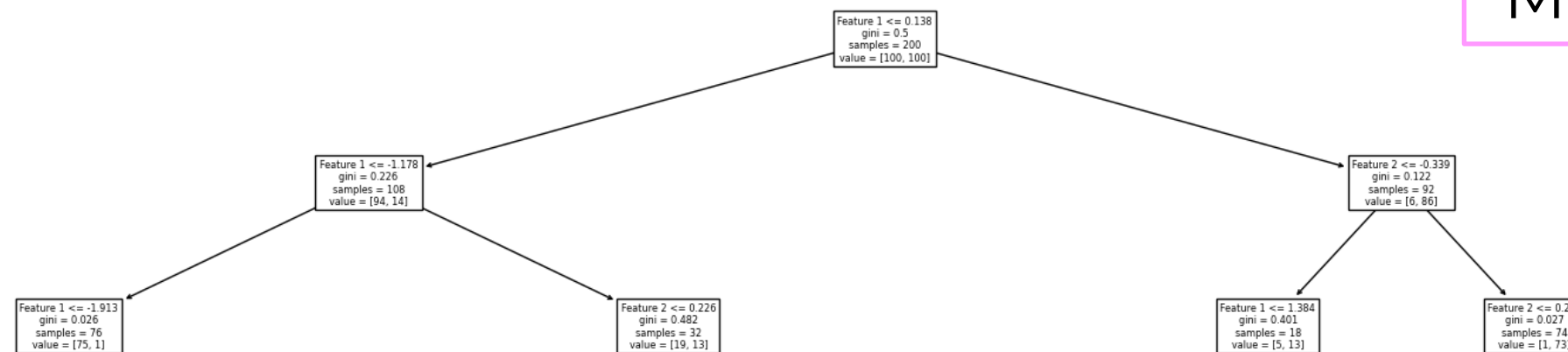
Max Depth = 2



Dataset

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Post pruning

The objective of pruning is to balance model performance and model complexity.

$$\mathcal{R}(T) + \alpha |\tilde{T}|$$

Given decision tree T ,

$\mathcal{R}(T)$ is the weighted gini impurity \rightarrow *Model Performance*,

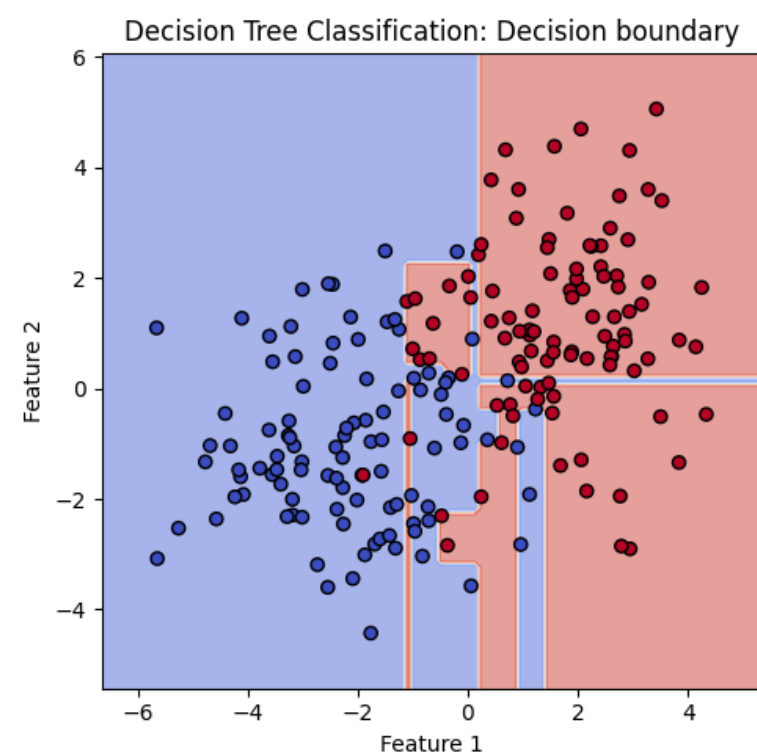
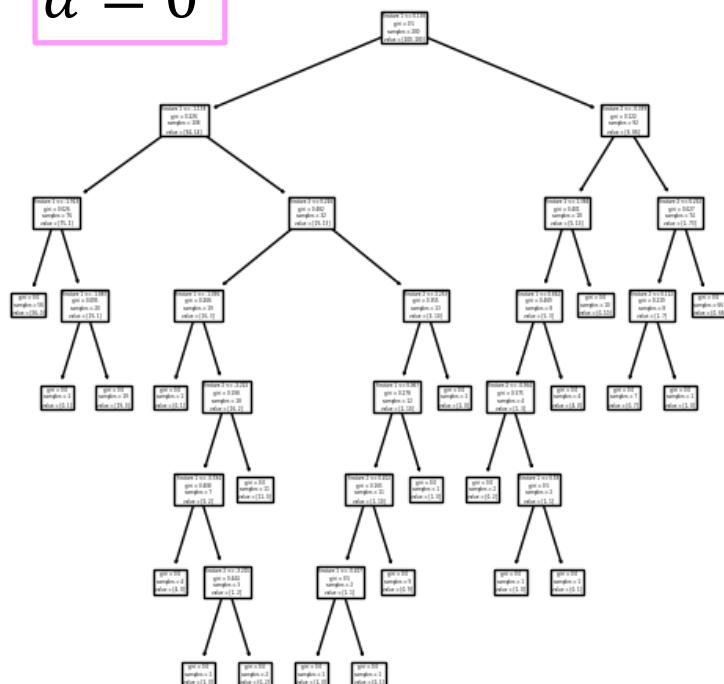
$|\tilde{T}|$ is the number of terminal nodes \rightarrow *Model Complexity*,

α is the complexity parameter ($\alpha \geq 0$).

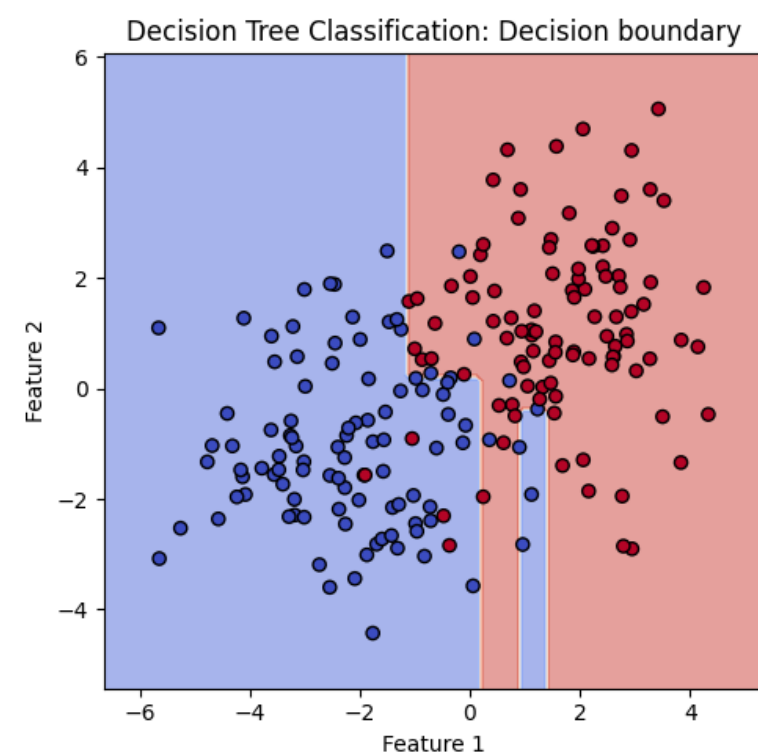
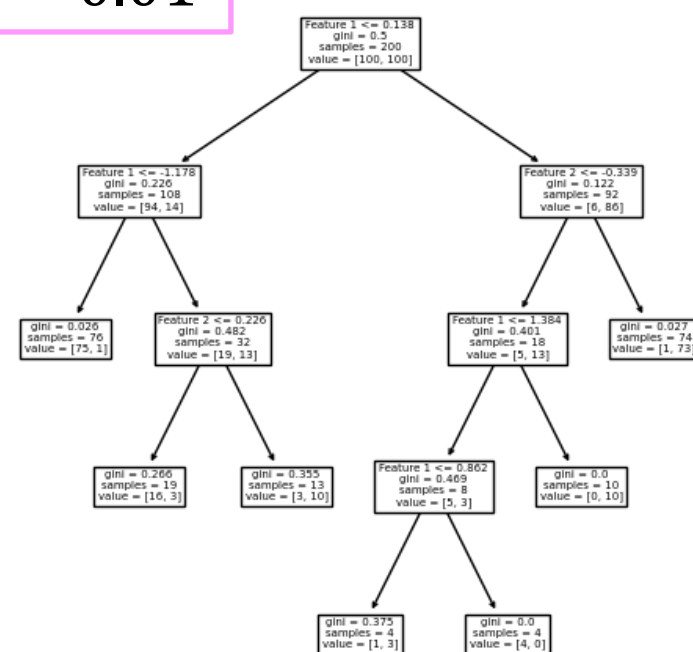
- $\alpha = 0 \rightarrow$ No pruning.
- Increase $\alpha \rightarrow$ activate post-pruning.
- Too high $\alpha \rightarrow$ Too much pruning. \rightarrow Over-simplified model \rightarrow Underfitting

Post pruning

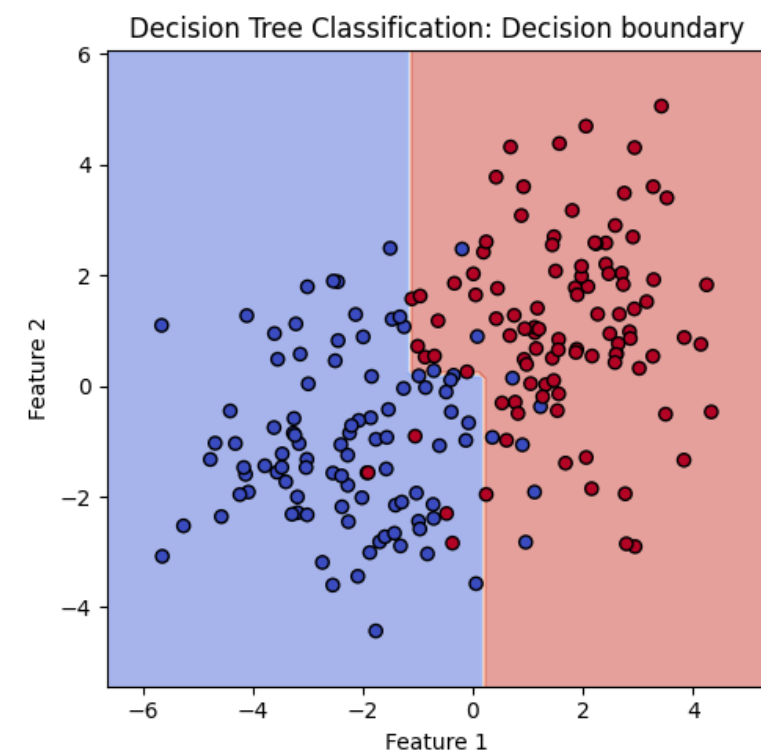
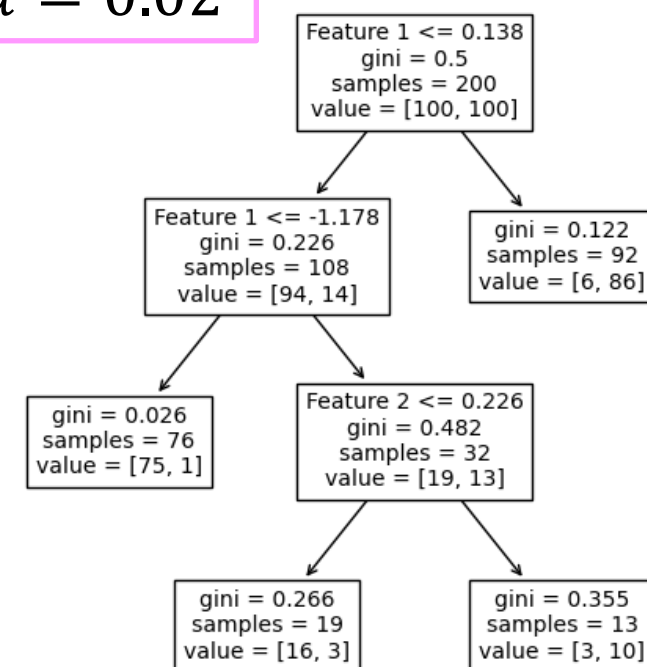
$\alpha = 0$



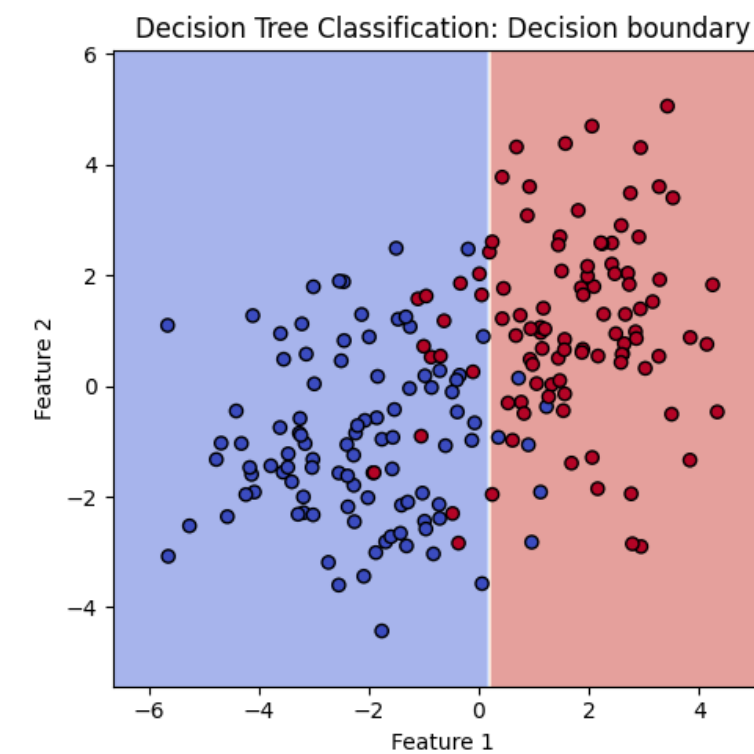
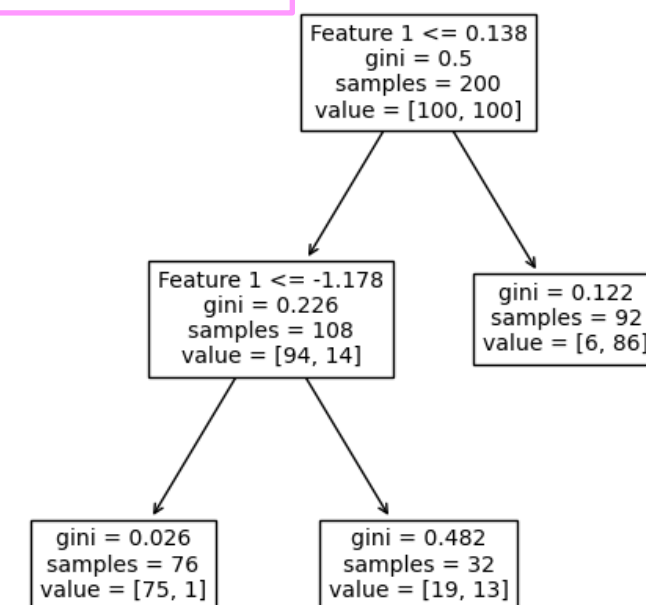
$\alpha = 0.01$



$\alpha = 0.02$



$\alpha = 0.03$



sklearn.tree.DecisionTreeClassifier

```
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random_state=None, max_leaf_nodes=None, min_impurity_decrease=0.0, class_weight=None, ccp_alpha=0.0)
```

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Parameters:

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max_depth : int, default=None

The maximum depth of the tree. If None, then nodes are expanded until all leaves are pure or until all leaves contain less than min_samples_split samples.

min_samples_split : int or float, default=2

The minimum number of samples required to split an internal node:

min_impurity_decrease : float, default=0.0

A node will be split if this split induces a decrease of the impurity greater than or equal to this value.

ccp_alpha : non-negative float, default=0.0

Complexity parameter used for Minimal Cost-Complexity Pruning.

Early Stopping

Post-Pruning

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Attributes:

classes_ : *ndarray of shape (n_classes,) or list of ndarray*

The classes labels (single output problem), or a list of arrays of class labels (multi-output problem).

feature_importances_ : *ndarray of shape (n_features,)*

Return the feature importances.

Impurity-based Feature Importance
(Gini Importances - mean decrease in Gini impurity)

tree_ : *Tree instance*

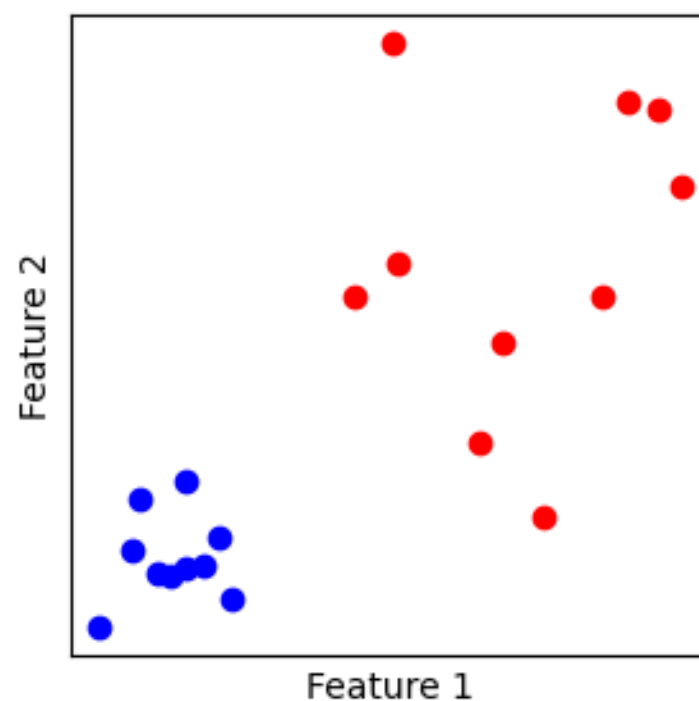
The underlying Tree object.

Tree structure

Decision Tree Classifier

Dataset

$(x_{1,1}, x_{1,2}, y_1), (x_{2,1}, x_{2,2}, y_2), (x_{3,1}, x_{3,2}, y_3), \dots, (x_{n,1}, x_{n,2}, y_n)$



X

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{1,1} & x_{1,2} \\ x_{2,1} & x_{2,2} \\ x_{3,1} & x_{3,2} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ x_{n,1} & x_{n,2} \end{bmatrix}$$

shape = (n, 2)

Y

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}$$

shape = (n, 1)

```
# Import a necessary modules
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
from sklearn import tree
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# Create the model
clf = DecisionTreeClassifier()

# Train the model
clf.fit(X, y)

# Make prediction
y_pred = clf.predict(X_test)

# Visualize tree
tree.plot_tree(clf, feature_names=['Feature 1', 'Feature 2'])
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

# Obtain feature importance
importances = clf.feature_importances_
```

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Overfitting (recall)

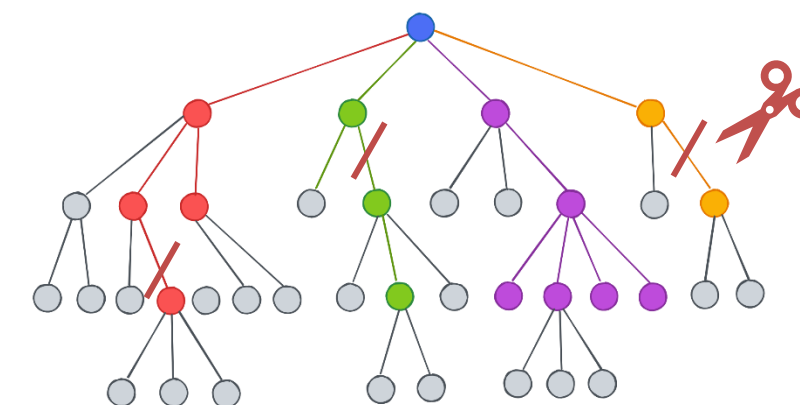
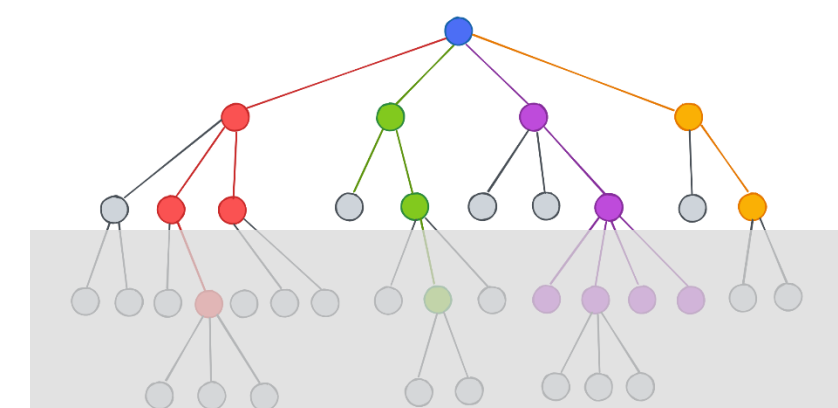
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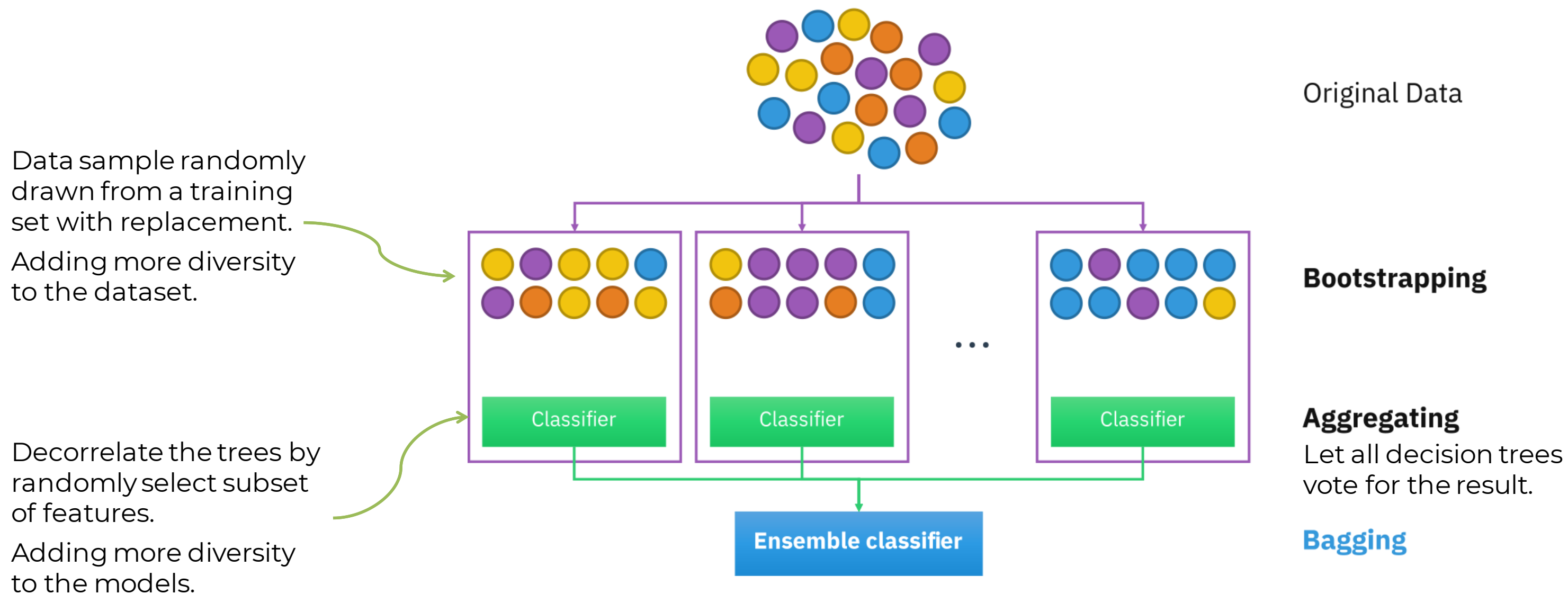
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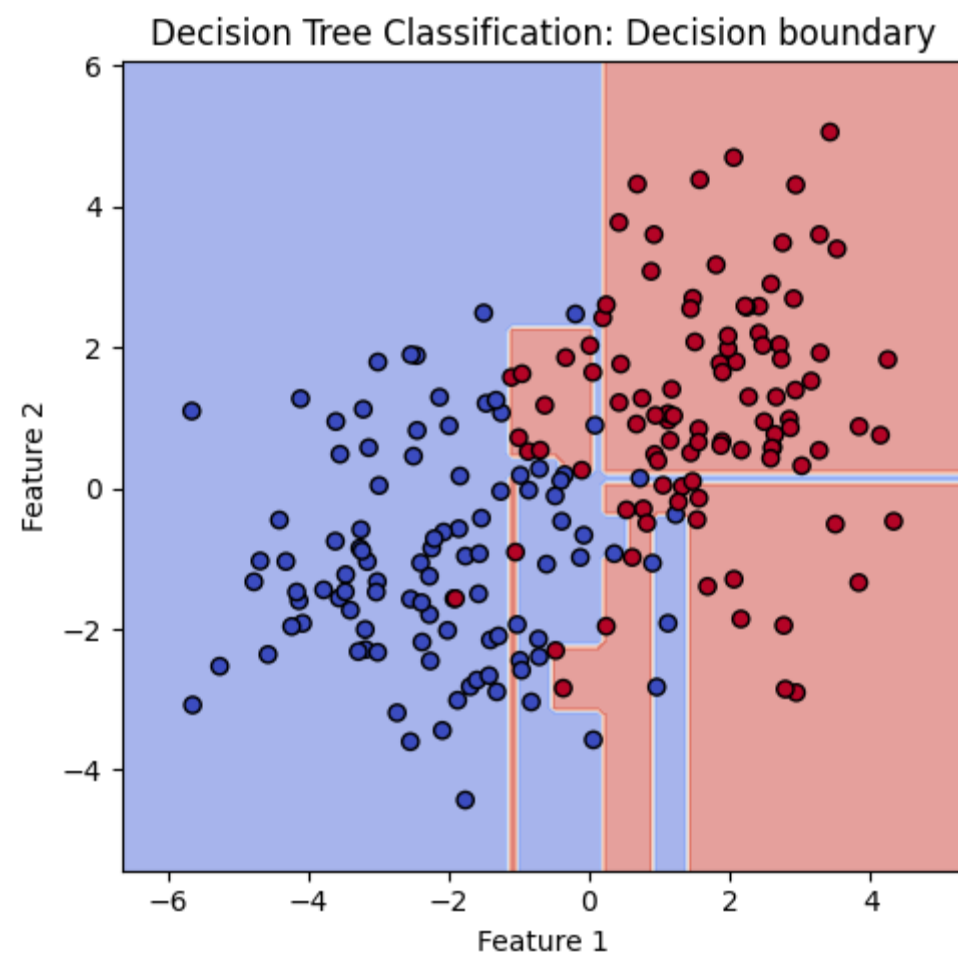
Bootstrap aggregating / bagging



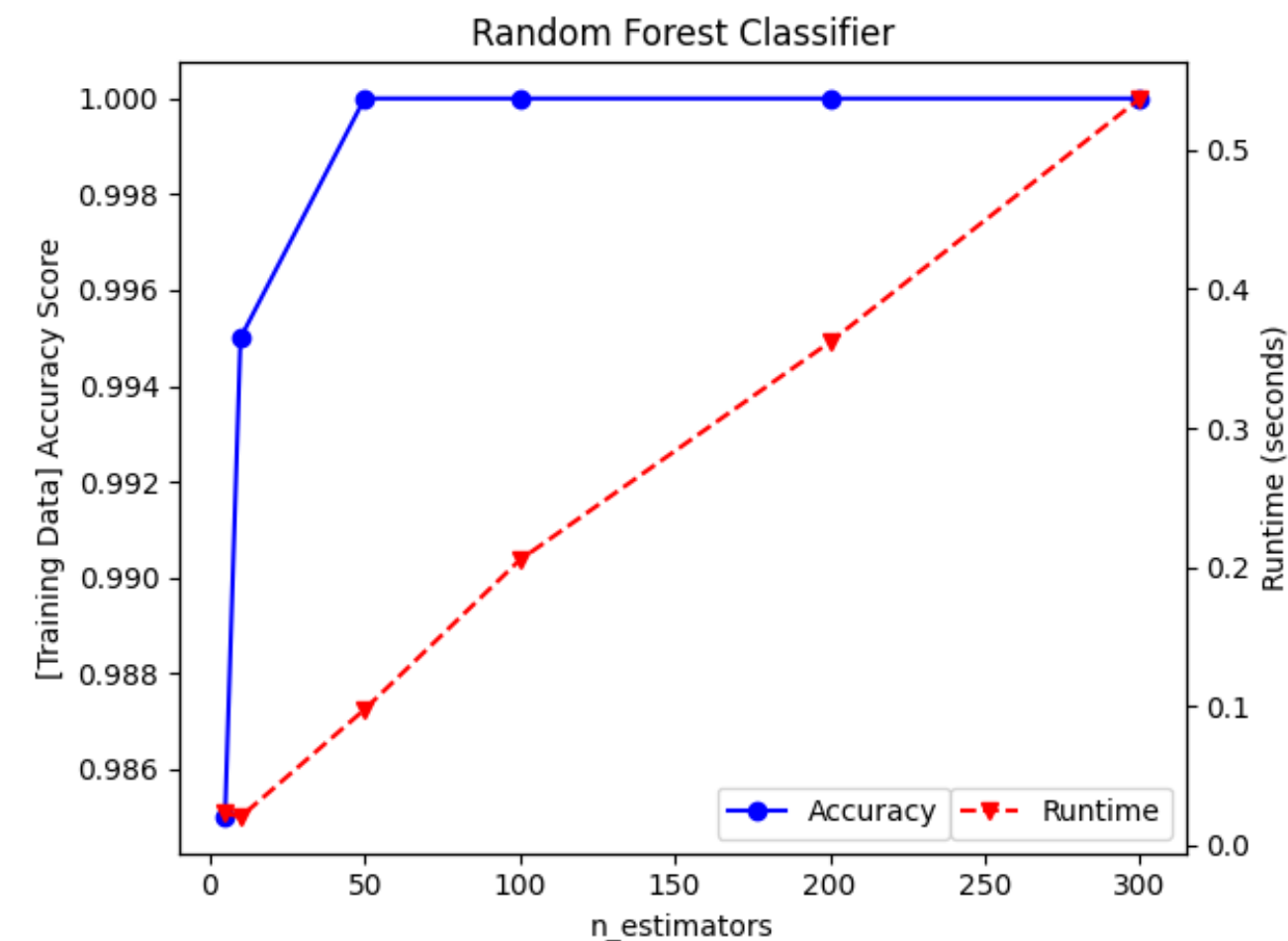
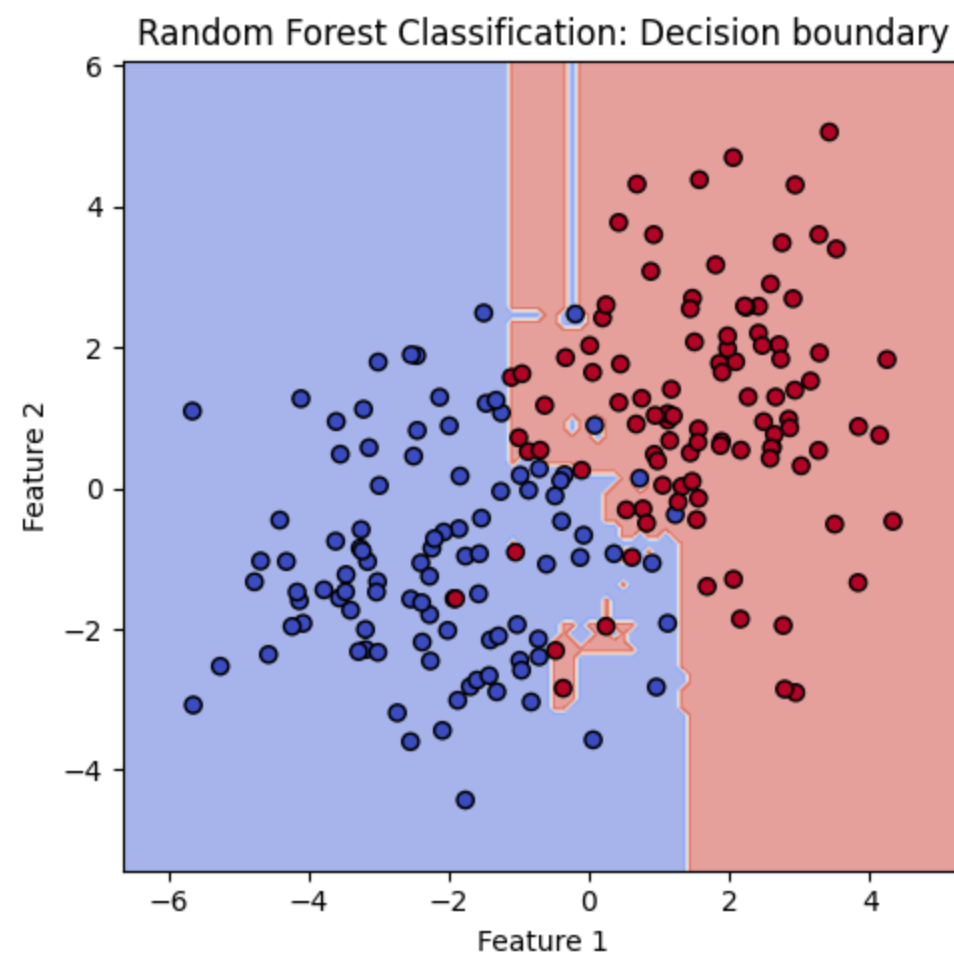
Wikipedia: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bootstrap_aggregating

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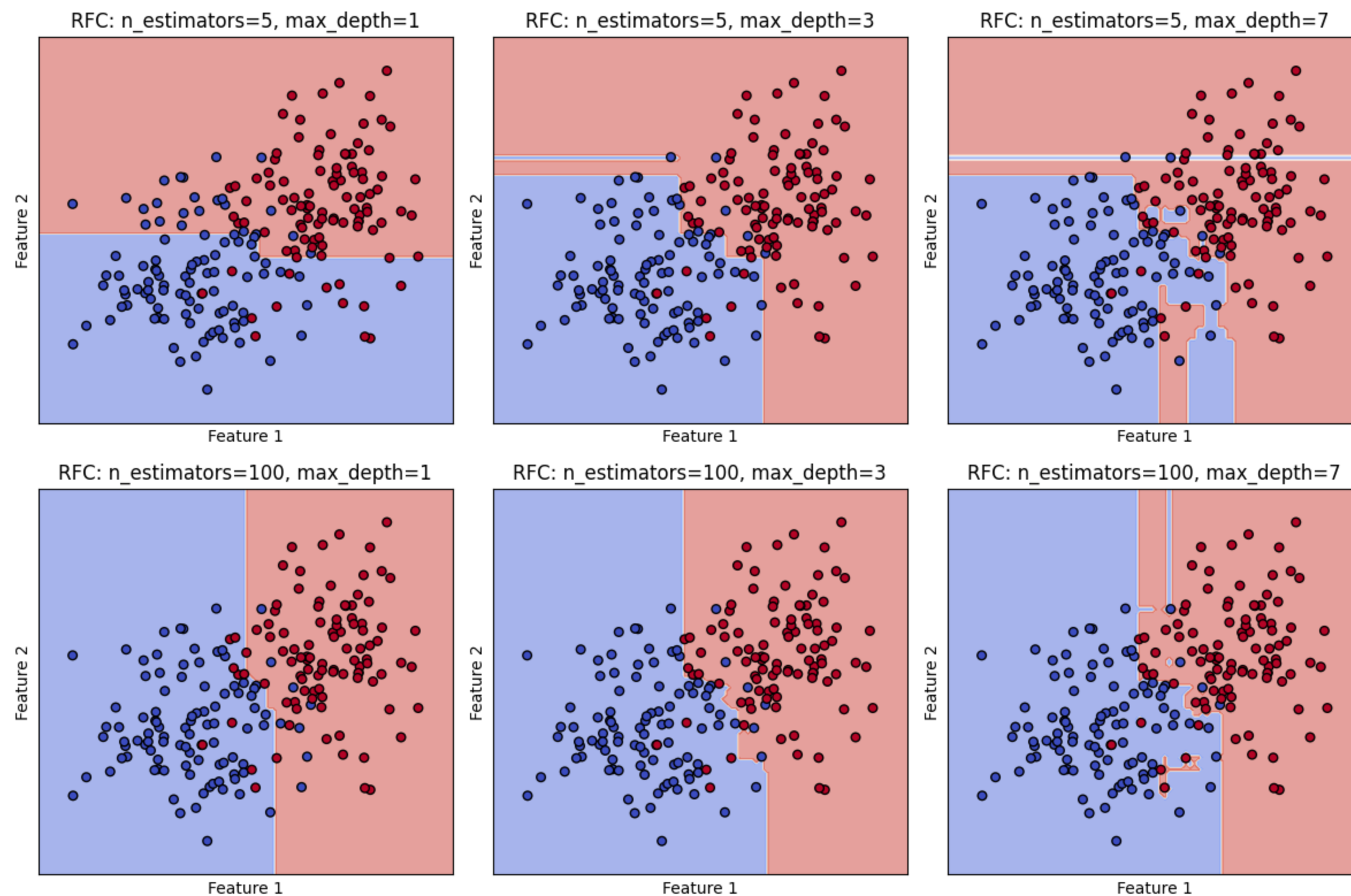
1 Tree



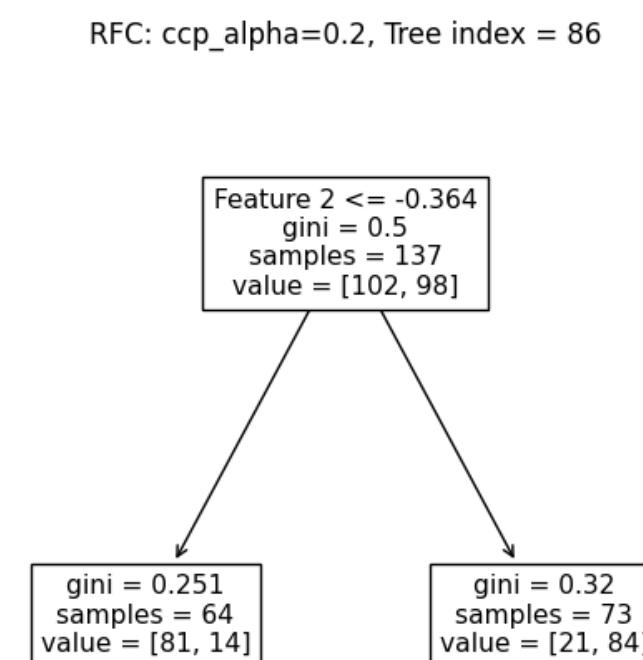
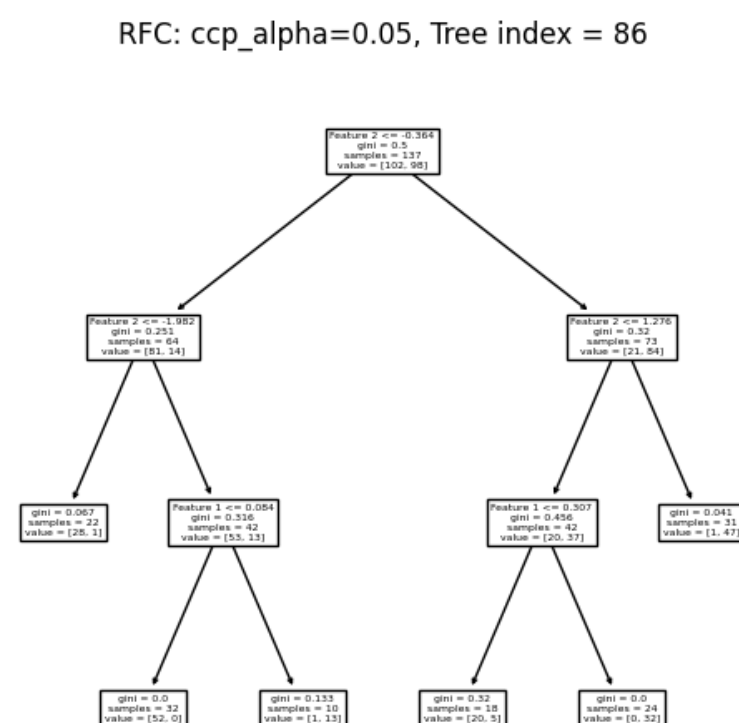
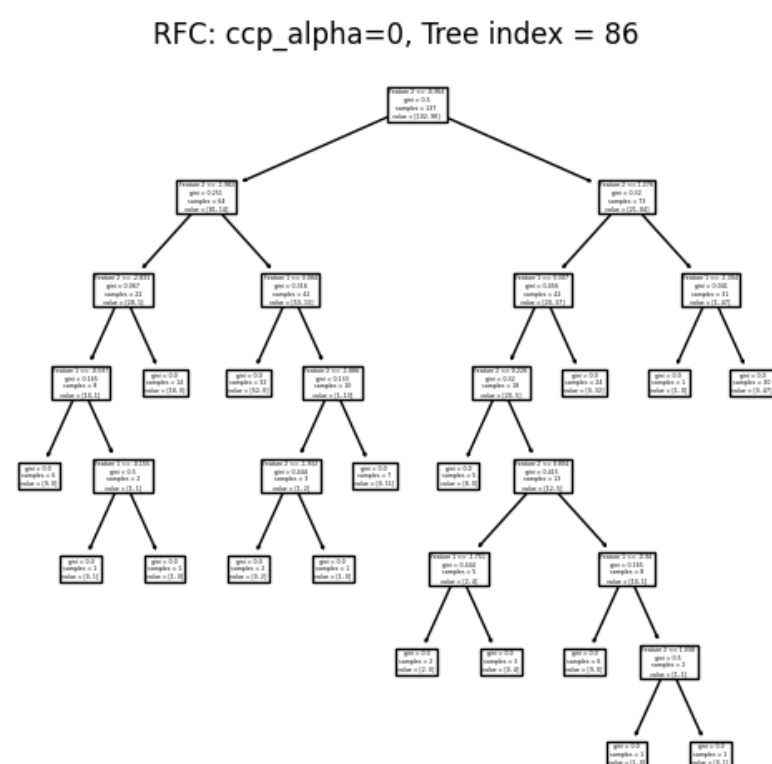
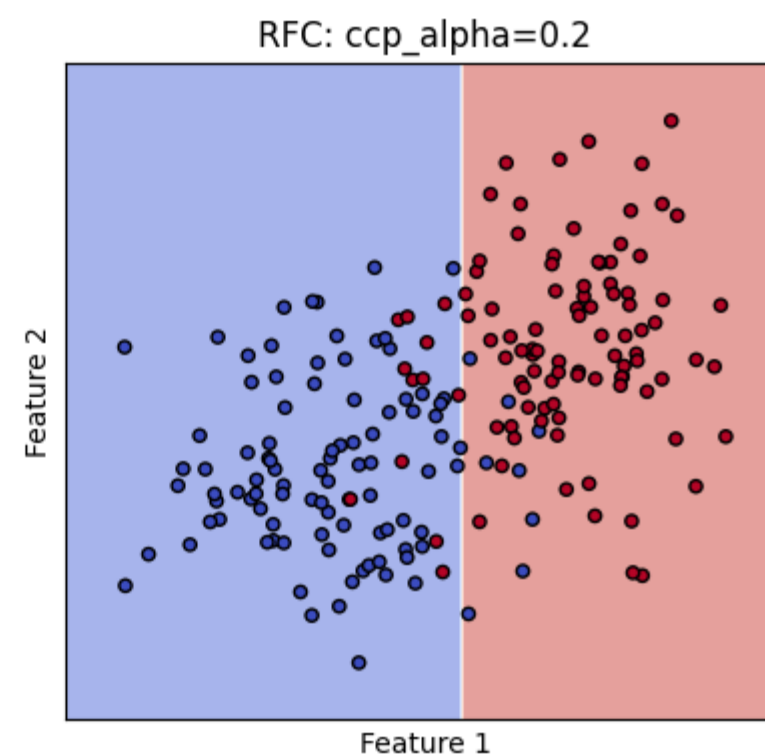
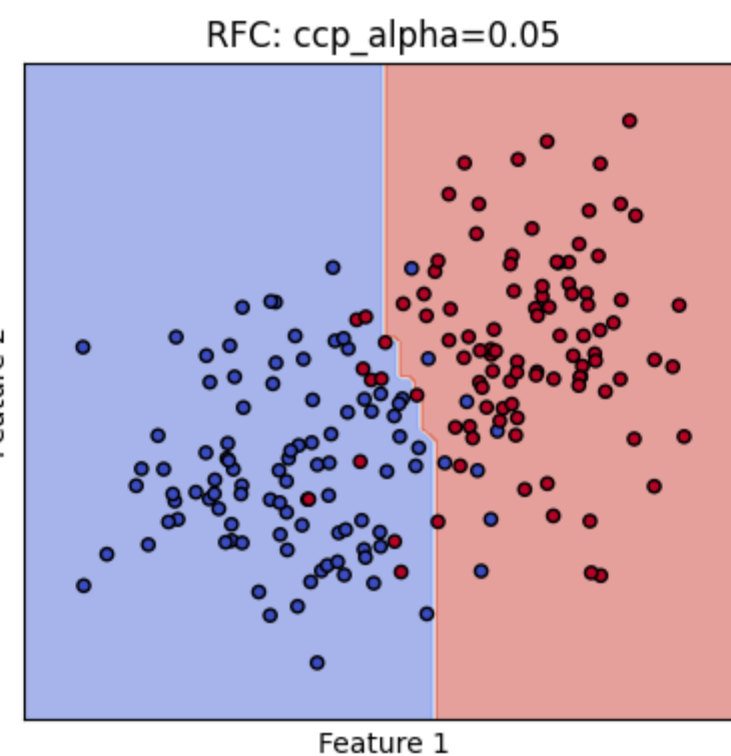
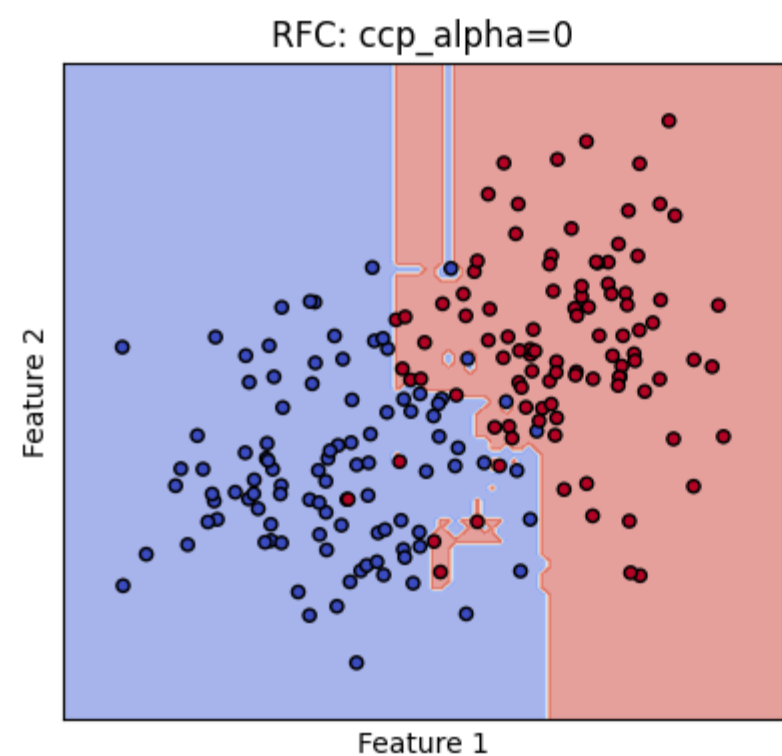
100 Trees



Random Forest + Early Stopping

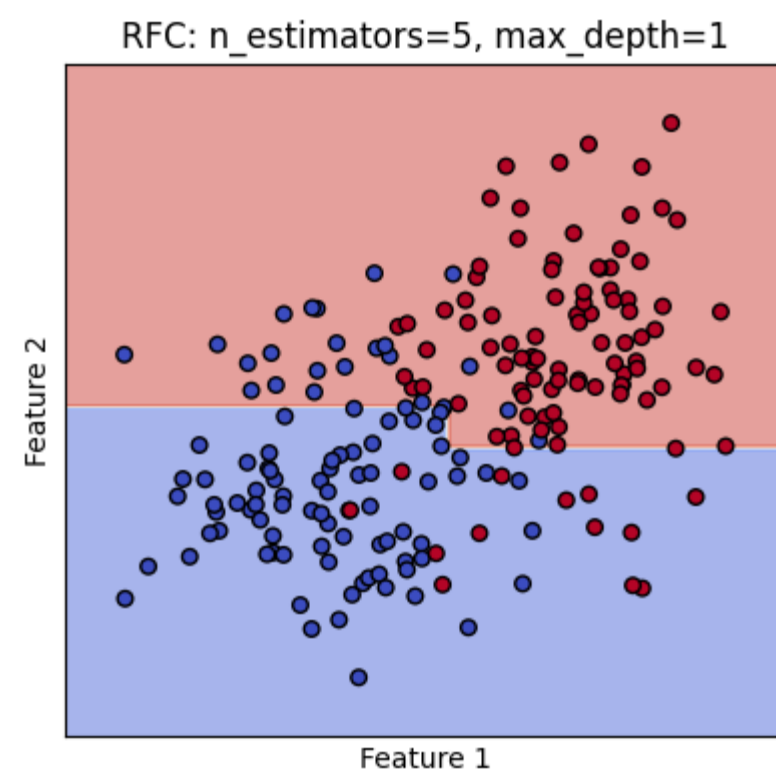


Random Forest + Post Pruning

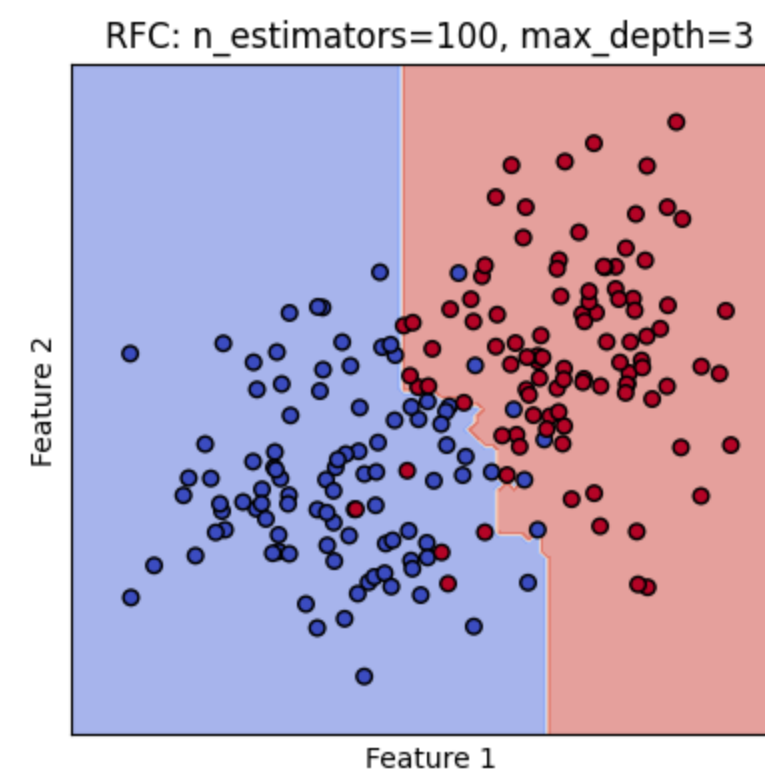


Random Forest

Impurity-based Feature Importances (Gini Importances)



Relative Feature Importances:
Feature 1: 0.20
Feature 2: 0.80



Relative Feature Importances:
Feature 1: 0.68
Feature 2: 0.32

This is for the purpose of demonstrate the correlation between decision boundary and feature importance.

sklearn.ensemble.RandomForestClassifier

```
class sklearn.ensemble.RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators=100, *, criterion='gini', max_depth=None,
min_samples_split=2, min_samples_leaf=1, min_weight_fraction_leaf=0.0, max_features='sqrt',
max_leaf_nodes=None, min_impurity_decrease=0.0, bootstrap=True, oob_score=False, n_jobs=None,
random_state=None, verbose=0, warm_start=False, class_weight=None, ccp_alpha=0.0, max_samples=None)
```

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Parameters:

n_estimators : *int, default=100*

The number of trees in the forest.

criterion : {"gini", "entropy", "log_loss"}, default="gini"

The function to measure the quality of a split. Supported criteria are "gini" for the Gini impurity and "log_loss" and "entropy" both for the Shannon information gain, see [Mathematical formulation](#).

bootstrap : *bool, default=True*

Whether bootstrap samples are used when building trees. If False, the whole dataset is used to build each tree.

max_samples : *int or float, default=None*

If bootstrap is True, the number of samples to draw from X to train each base estimator.

- If None (default), then draw `X.shape[0]` samples.
- If int, then draw `max_samples` samples.
- If float, then draw `max(round(n_samples * max_samples), 1)` samples. Thus, `max_samples` should be in the interval `(0.0, 1.0]`.

Bootstrap sampling

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```

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Parameters:

max_features : {"sqrt", "log2", None}, int or float, default="sqrt"

The number of features to consider when looking for the best split:

- If int, then consider `max_features` features at each split.
- If float, then `max_features` is a fraction and `max(1, int(max_features * n_features_in_))` features are considered at each split.
- If "sqrt", then `max_features=sqrt(n_features)`.
- If "log2", then `max_features=log2(n_features)`.
- If None, then `max_features=n_features`.

Randomly select subset of features for trees to look for the best split.

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Parameters:

max_depth : *int, default=None*

The maximum depth of the tree. If None, then nodes are expanded until all leaves are pure or until all leaves contain less than min_samples_split samples.

min_samples_split : *int or float, default=2*

The minimum number of samples required to split an internal node:

min_impurity_decrease : *float, default=0.0*

A node will be split if this split induces a decrease of the impurity greater than or equal to this value.

ccp_alpha : *non-negative float, default=0.0*

Complexity parameter used for Minimal Cost-Complexity Pruning.

Early Stopping

Post-Pruning

sklearn.ensemble.RandomForestClassifier

```
class sklearn.ensemble.RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators=100, *, criterion='gini', max_depth=None,
min_samples_split=2, min_samples_leaf=1, min_weight_fraction_leaf=0.0, max_features='sqrt',
max_leaf_nodes=None, min_impurity_decrease=0.0, bootstrap=True, oob_score=False, n_jobs=None,
random_state=None, verbose=0, warm_start=False, class_weight=None, ccp_alpha=0.0, max_samples=None)
```

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Attributes:

estimator_ : *DecisionTreeClassifier*

The child estimator template used to create the collection of fitted sub-estimators.

estimators_ : *list of DecisionTreeClassifier*

The collection of fitted sub-estimators.

feature_importances_ : *ndarray of shape (n_features,)*

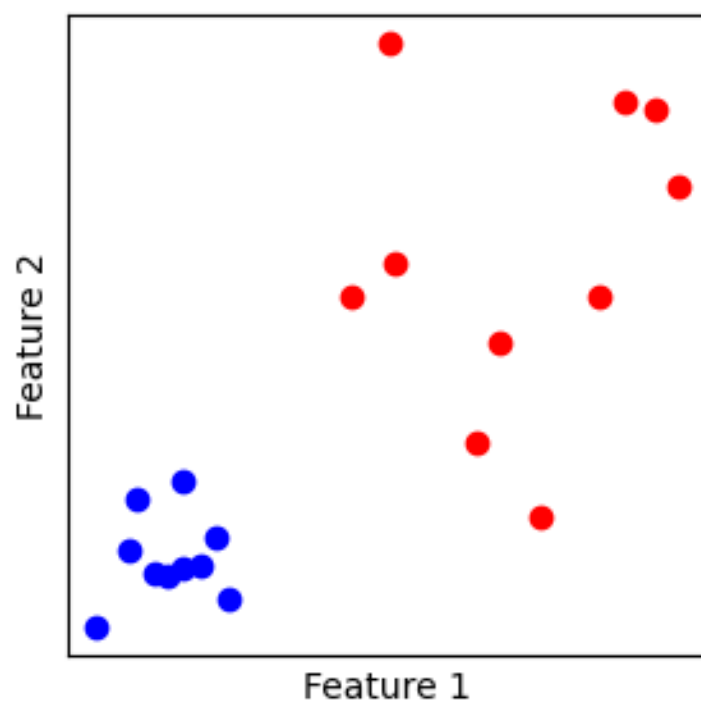
The impurity-based feature importances.

Impurity-based Feature Importance
(Gini Importance)

Random Forest Classifier

Dataset

$(x_{1,1}, x_{1,2}, y_1), (x_{2,1}, x_{2,2}, y_2), (x_{3,1}, x_{3,2}, y_3), \dots, (x_{n,1}, x_{n,2}, y_n)$



X

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{1,1} & x_{1,2} \\ x_{2,1} & x_{2,2} \\ x_{3,1} & x_{3,2} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ x_{n,1} & x_{n,2} \end{bmatrix}$$

shape = (n, 2)

Y

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}$$

shape = (n, 1)

```
# Import a necessary modules
from sklearn.tree import RandomForestClassifier
from sklearn import tree
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# Create the model
clf = RandomForestClassifier()

# Train the model
clf.fit(X, Y)

# Make prediction
y_pred = clf.predict(X_test)

# Visualize tree
i = 0 # Tree index
tree.plot_tree(clf.estimators_[i],
                feature_names=['Feature 1', 'Feature 2'])
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

# Obtain feature importance
importances = clf.feature_importances_
```