

STATS 101C - Statistical Models and Data Mining - Homework 5

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Question 1 (Exercise 2 from Section 8.4)

If $d = 1$, then you are only making one split (which is based on only one predictor). Then, as seen in Algorithm 8.2, the final model will just be the combination of all these stumps. This leads to a model in the form of given in the question, as desired.

Question 2 (Exercise 5 from Section 8.4)

Using majority vote approach

Taking the average:

$$\frac{.1 + .15 + .2 + .2 + .55 + .6 + .6 + .65 + .7 + .75}{10} = .45$$

Since $.45 < .5$, the the final classification is **green**.

Using average probability approach

There are 4 (.1, .15, .2, .2) that classify as green, and there are 6 (.55, .6, .6, .65, .7, .75) that classify as red. Since there are more that classify as red, the final classification is **red**.

Question 3 (Exercise 8 from Section 8.4)

```
library(ISLR)
library(caret)
library(MASS)
library(tree)
library(rattle)
library(randomForest)
```

Part A

```
data(Carseats)
Carseats$ShelveLoc <- as.numeric(Carseats$ShelveLoc)
set.seed(999)
indices <- createDataPartition(Carseats$Sales, p = .8, list = FALSE)

carseats.train <- Carseats[indices, ]
carseats.test <- Carseats[-indices, ]

dim(carseats.train)
```

```
## [1] 321 11
```

```
dim(carseats.test)
```

```
## [1] 79 11
```

Part B

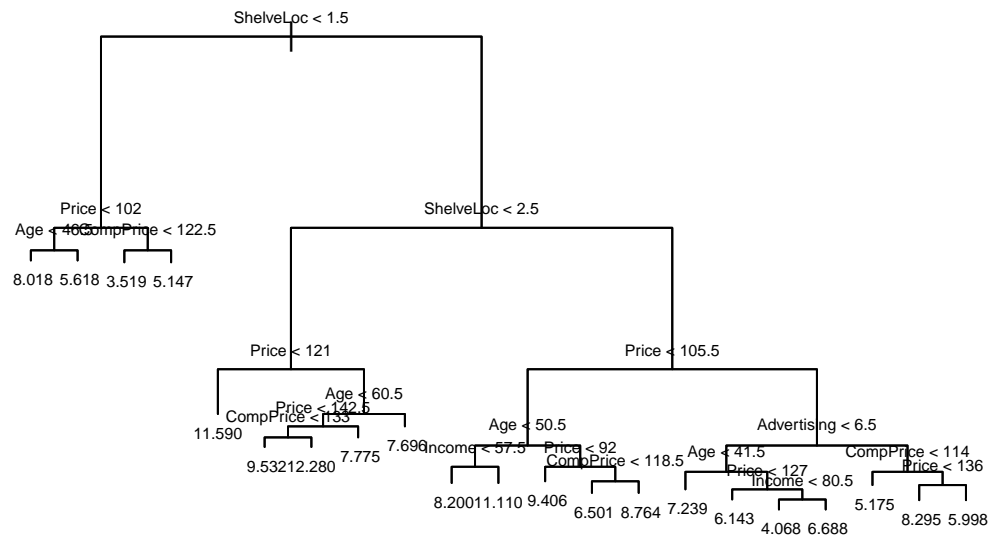
```
base.tree <- tree(Sales ~ ., data = carseats.train)
```

```
summary(base.tree)
```

```
##  
## Regression tree:  
## tree(formula = Sales ~ ., data = carseats.train)  
## Variables actually used in tree construction:  
## [1] "ShelveLoc" "Price" "Age" "CompPrice" "Income"  
## [6] "Advertising"  
## Number of terminal nodes: 21  
## Residual mean deviance: 2.241 = 672.2 / 300  
## Distribution of residuals:  
## Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max.  
## -4.70600 -0.96590 -0.03261 0.00000 0.95280 4.68400
```

```
plot(base.tree)
```

```
text(base.tree, cex = .5)
```



```
base.tree.predictions <- predict(base.tree, carseats.test)
```

```
base.tree.mse <- mean((base.tree.predictions - carseats.test$Sales)^2)
```

```
base.tree.mse
```

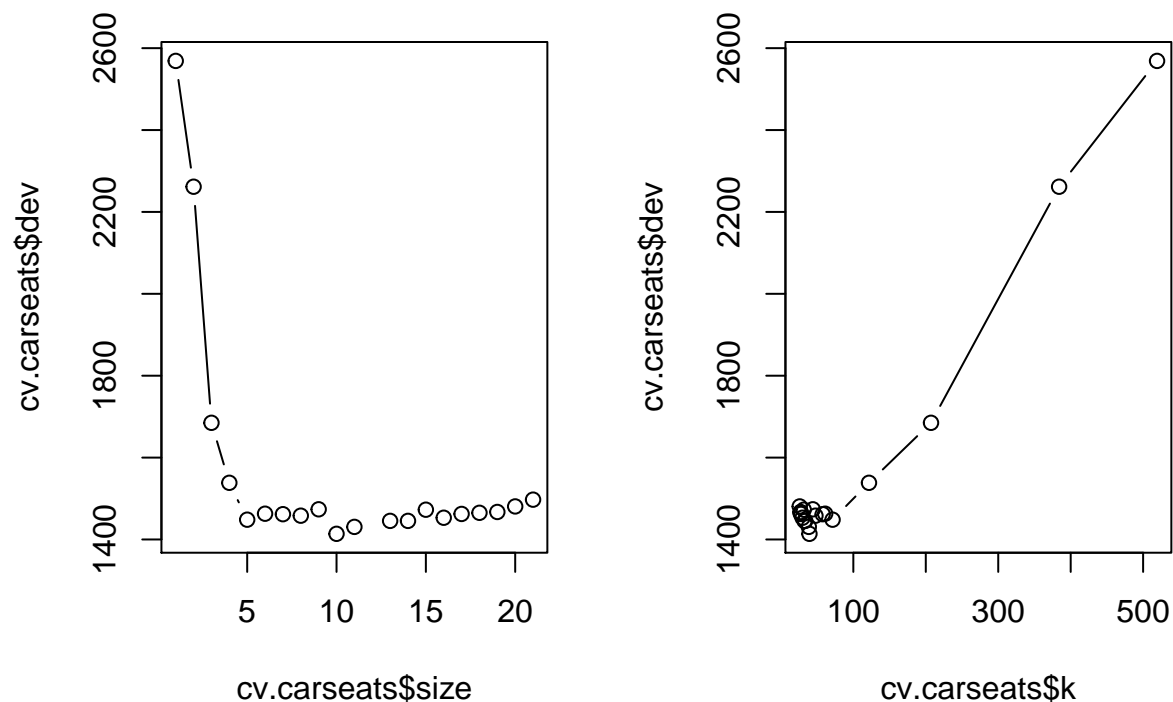
```
## [1] 6.083221
```

The plot of the tree is shown above, which seems pretty messy. It appears that we only used the variables 'ShelveLoc', 'Price', 'Age', 'CompPrice', 'Income', and 'Advertising'. The test MSE is 6.083221.

Part C

```
set.seed(999)
cv.carseats <- cv.tree(base.tree, K = 5)

par(mfrow=c(1, 2))
plot(cv.carseats$size, cv.carseats$dev, type="b")
plot(cv.carseats$k, cv.carseats$dev, type="b")
```

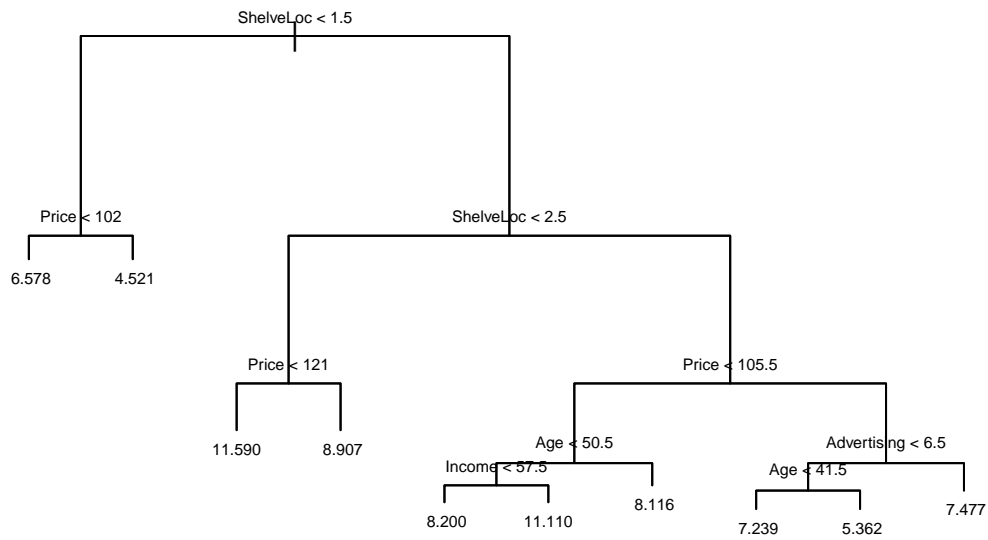


```
best.id <- which.min(cv.carseats$dev)
best.size <- cv.carseats$size[best.id]
best.size
```

```
## [1] 10
```

```
pruned.tree <- prune.tree(base.tree, best = best.size)

plot(pruned.tree)
text(pruned.tree, cex = .5)
```



```
pruned.tree.predictions <- predict(pruned.tree, carseats.test)
pruned.tree.mse <- mean((pruned.tree.predictions - carseats.test$Sales)^2)
pruned.tree.mse
```

```
## [1] 5.557804
```

The optimal level is 10. Furthermore, after pruning, the test MSE is 5.557804, which is a decrease from before.

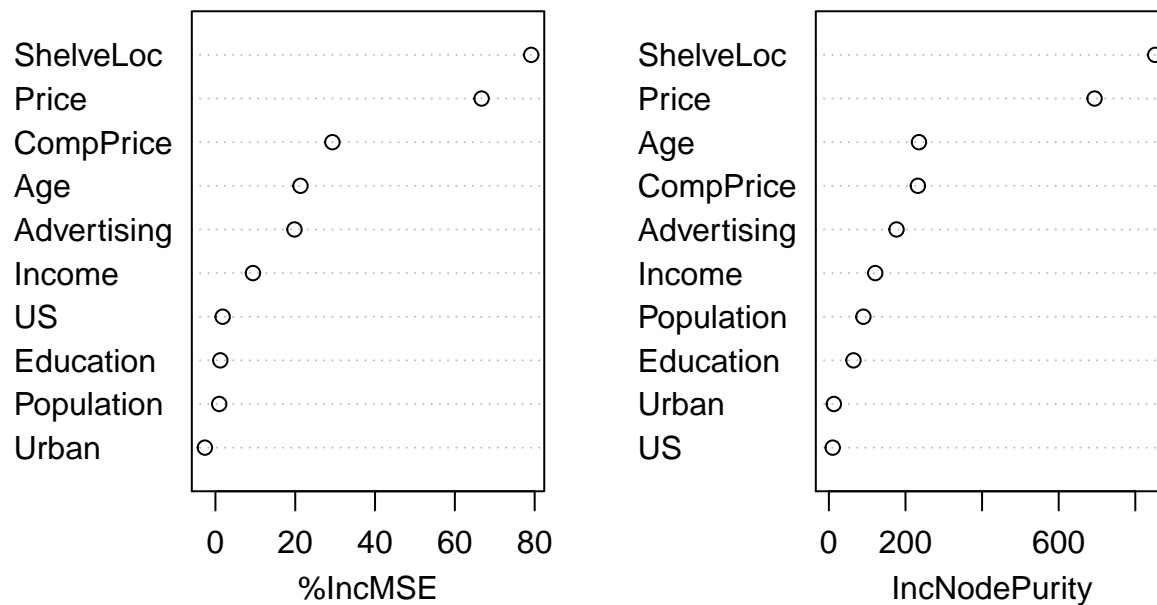
Part D

```
set.seed(999)
bagged.tree <- randomForest(Sales ~ .,
                           data = carseats.train,
                           mtry = dim(carseats.train)[2] - 1,
                           ntree = 500,
                           importance = T)
print(bagged.tree)
```

```
##
## Call:
## randomForest(formula = Sales ~ ., data = carseats.train, mtry = dim(carseats.train)[2] - 1, ntree = 500,
##               Type of random forest: regression
##               Number of trees: 500
## No. of variables tried at each split: 10
##
##               Mean of squared residuals: 2.476393
##               % Var explained: 68.69
```

```
varImpPlot(bagged.tree)
```

bagged.tree



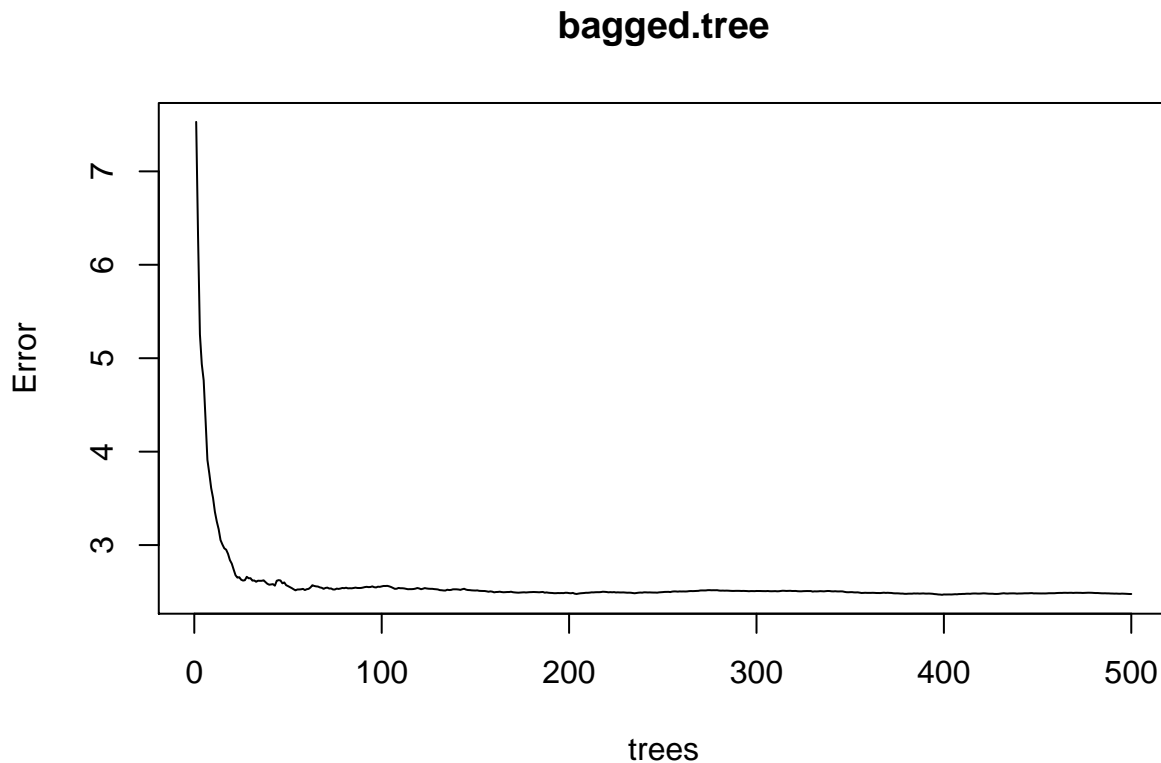
```
bagged.tree.predictions <- predict(bagged.tree, carseats.test)
bagged.tree.mse <- mean((bagged.tree.predictions - carseats.test$Sales)^2)
bagged.tree.mse
```

```
## [1] 3.20789
```

```
importance(bagged.tree)
```

##		%IncMSE	IncNodePurity
##	CompPrice	29.3081775	232.36071
##	Income	9.3978773	121.08465
##	Advertising	19.8055284	176.61330
##	Population	0.9504858	90.05110
##	Price	66.6994895	693.64825
##	ShelveLoc	79.1357091	851.97497
##	Age	21.3087387	235.20261
##	Education	1.2190839	64.21132
##	Urban	-2.6489751	13.02823
##	US	1.8060725	10.02173

```
plot(bagged.tree)
```



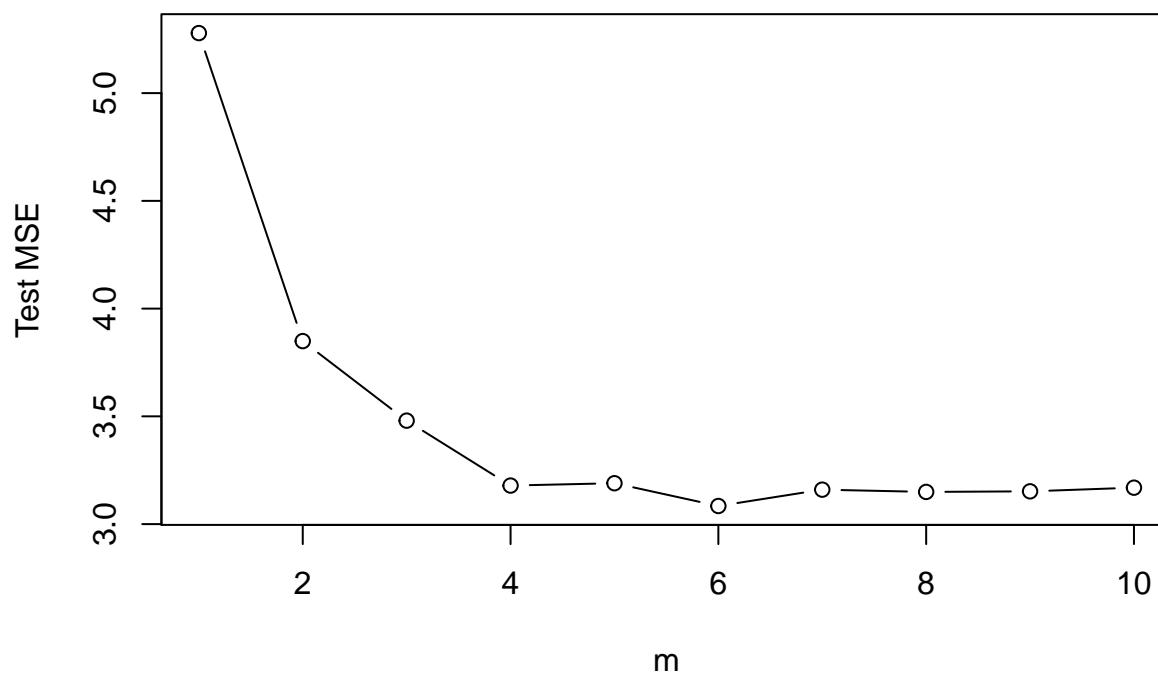
After bagging, the test MSE drops to 3.2078899. The most important variables are 'ShelveLoc', 'Price', 'CompPrice', 'Age', and 'Advertising'.

Part E

```
set.seed(999)
test.mse.rf <- rep(0, (dim(carseats.train)[2] - 1))
for (i in 1:(dim(carseats.train)[2] - 1)){
  temp.m <- randomForest(Sales ~ .,
                        data = carseats.train,
                        mtry = i,
                        ntree = 500,
                        importance = TRUE)

  temp.p <- predict(temp.m, carseats.test)
  temp.mse <- mean((temp.p - carseats.test$Sales)^2)
  test.mse.rf[i] <- temp.mse
}

plot(test.mse.rf, type = "b",
     xlab = "m",
     ylab = "Test MSE")
```



```
mtry.best.rf <- which.min(test.mse.rf)
mtry.best.rf
```

```
## [1] 6
```

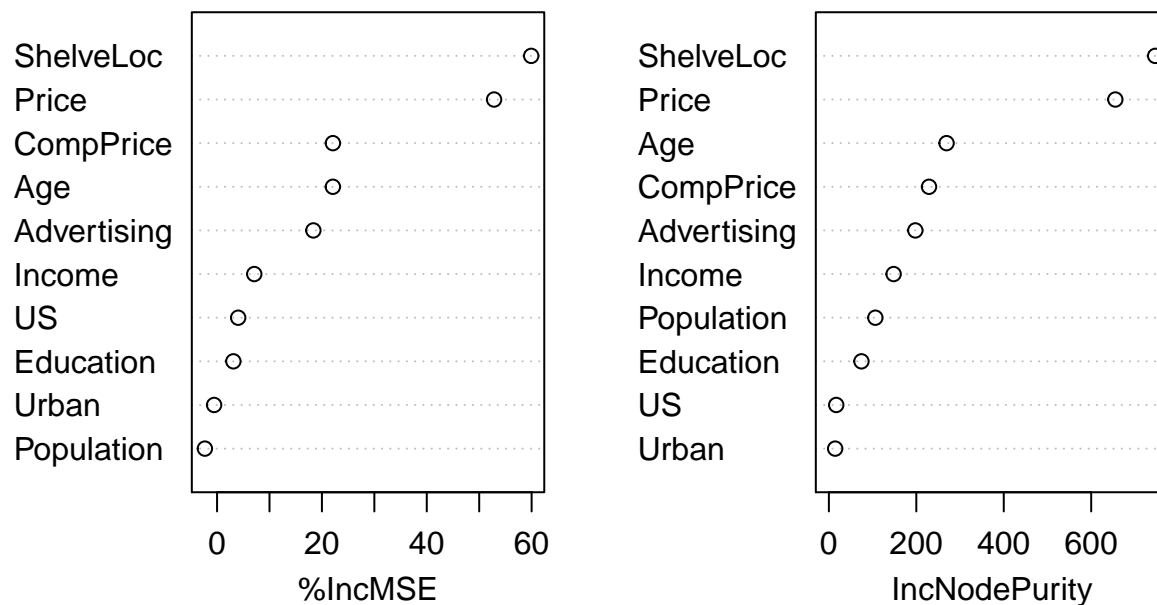
```
rf.carseats <- randomForest(Sales ~ .,
                          data = carseats.train,
                          mtry = mtry.best.rf,
                          ntree = 500,
```

```
importance = TRUE)
print(rf.carseats)
```

```
##
## Call:
## randomForest(formula = Sales ~ ., data = carseats.train, mtry = mtry.best.rf, ntree = 500, imp
##           Type of random forest: regression
##           Number of trees: 500
## No. of variables tried at each split: 6
##
##           Mean of squared residuals: 2.461985
##           % Var explained: 68.87
```

```
varImpPlot(rf.carseats)
```

rf.carseats



```
rf.predictions <- predict(rf.carseats, carseats.test)
rf.carseats.mse <- mean((rf.predictions - carseats.test$Sales)^2)
rf.carseats.mse
```

```
## [1] 3.120469
```

```
importance(rf.carseats)
```

```
##           %IncMSE IncNodePurity
## CompPrice  22.092289    229.07404
```

## Income	7.091961	148.09233
## Advertising	18.364808	197.78040
## Population	-2.327269	106.30375
## Price	52.837313	655.25299
## ShelfLoc	59.920760	746.44398
## Age	22.089119	269.18124
## Education	3.107283	74.50061
## Urban	-0.565052	14.42528
## US	4.024871	16.83711

Using random forest, the best MSE is 3.1204691, which is obtained when $mtry$ is 6. The most important variables are 'ShelfLoc', 'Price', 'CompPrice', 'Age', and 'Advertising'. Furthermore, the test MSE for m values from 4 to 10 are all about the same. There is a sharp decrease in test MSE when going from $m = 1$ to $m = 2$.