

INTRODUCTION TO ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

3. INTRODUCTION TO **MACHINE LEARNING: SUPERVISED LEARNING – CLASSIFICATION**

The plan for today

- Review Supervised Learning
- Learn about Classification and Classification algorithms:
 - Decision Trees
 - K-nearest Neighbour

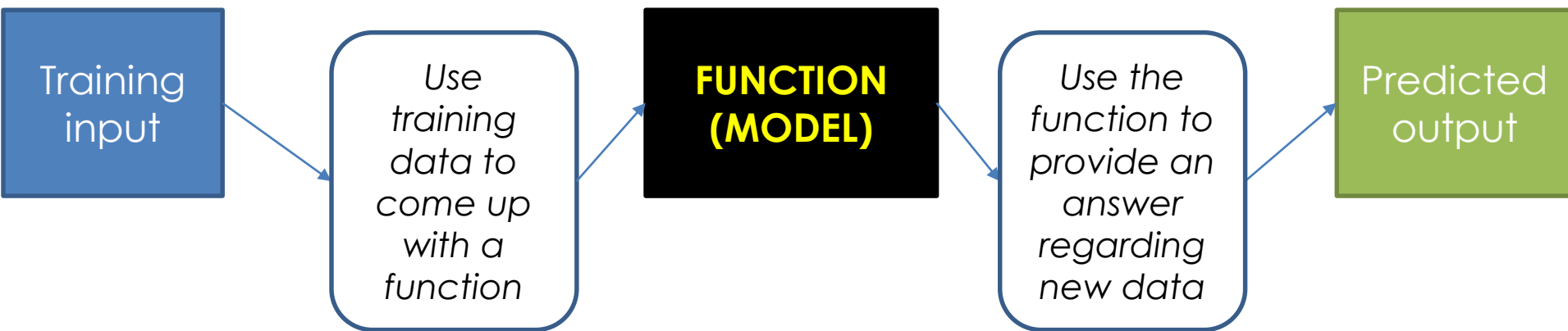
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Machine learning types

- **Supervised learning:** The program is 'trained' on a given set of examples. It learns how to reach an accurate conclusion when given new data.
 - **We teach** the computer how to do something.
- **Unsupervised learning:** The program is given a bunch of data and must discover patterns and relationships in them.
 - We let the computer **learn** something **by itself**.
- **Reinforcement learning:** The program learns from the consequences of its actions (reward or punishment), rather than from being explicitly taught and it selects its actions on basis of its past experiences (exploitation) and also by new choices (exploration).

Supervised learning: in a nutshell



- When the prediction is a **class (category)**, we use **classification**
- When the prediction is a **number**, we use **regression**

Classification

KITTEN or PUPPY?

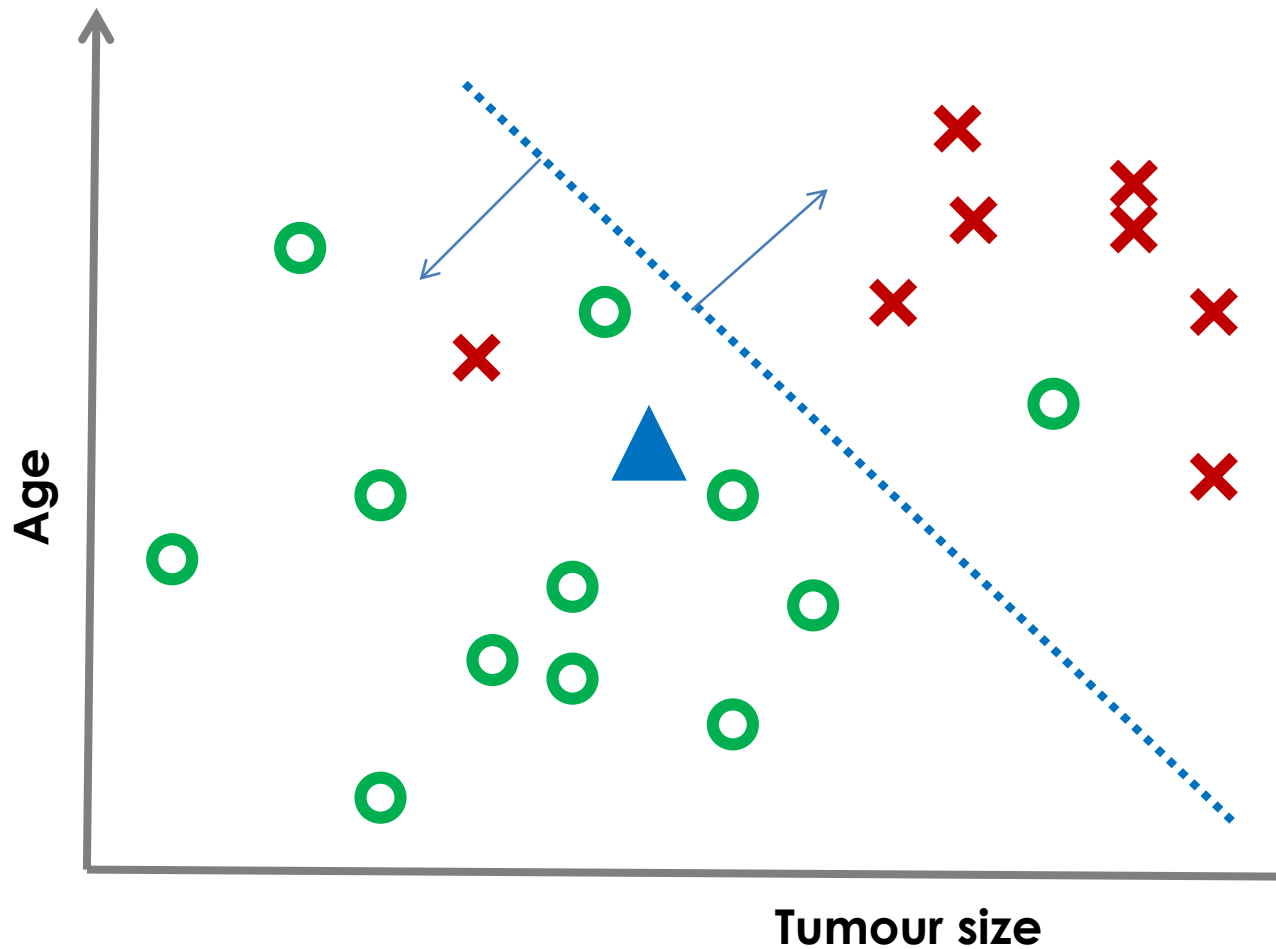
KITTENS



PUPPIES

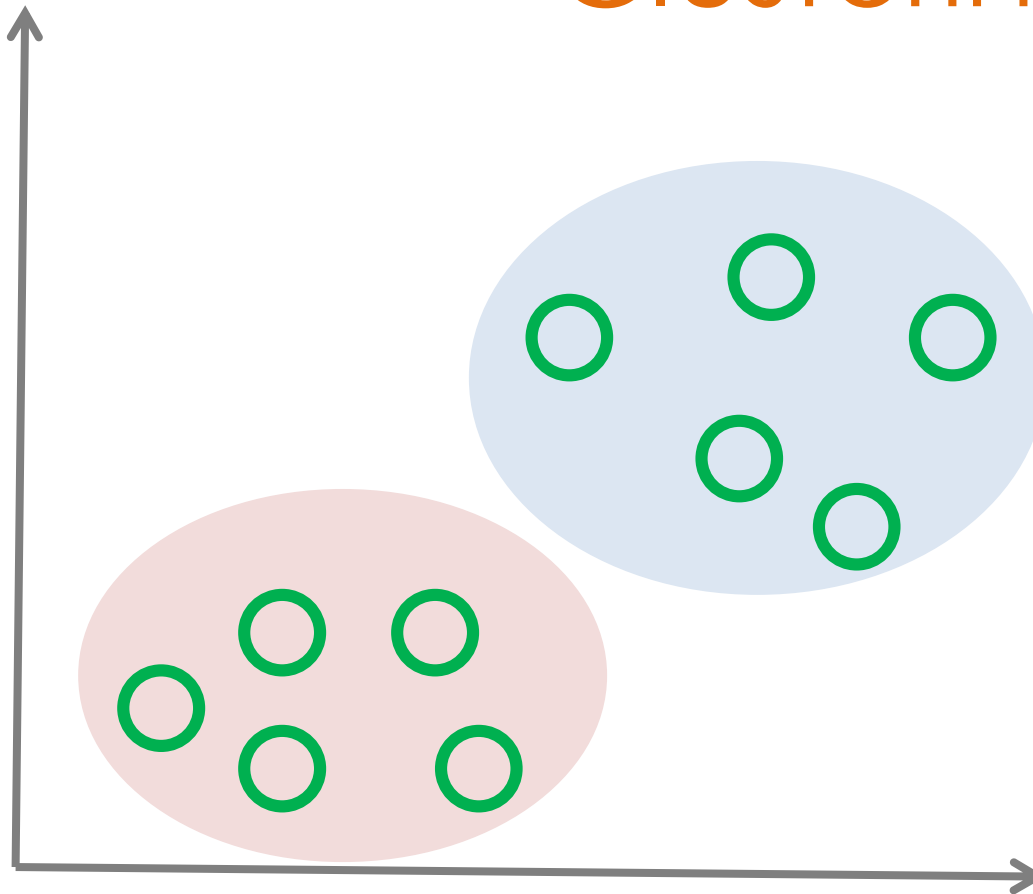


Classification



Each data is labelled as Cancer (x) or Benign (o)

Clustering



No labels

We have to find some structure in the data set

An unsupervised algorithm may decide that the data belongs in two clusters (groups)

This algorithm is referred to as **Clustering** algorithm

Classification vs Clustering

- Classification (supervised learning)
 - Provide: labelled data
 - Learning task: be able to predict data
- Clustering (unsupervised learning)
 - Provide: unlabelled data
 - Learning task: group data by similarity

Quick quiz

- Where would you use a supervised (SL) or unsupervised learning (UL) algorithm?
 1. Given email labelled as spam/not spam, train a spam filter SL
 2. Given a set of news articles on the web, group them into a set of articles about the same story UL
 3. Given a database of customer data, automatically discover market segments, and group customers into segments UL
 4. Given a dataset of patients diagnosed with diabetes and individuals without diabetes, learn to classify new patients as having diabetes or not. SL

Classification (a formal definition)

- Given a collection of records (*training set*)
 - Each record contains a set of *attributes*, one of the attributes is the *class*.
- Find a *model* for class attribute as a function of the values of other attributes.
- Goal: previously unseen records should be assigned a class as accurately as possible.
 - A *test set* is used to determine the accuracy of the model. Usually, the given data set is divided into training and test sets, with training set used to build the model and test set used to validate it.
 - We'll talk about evaluation later in the session

Classification

Training data

Name	Body Temperature	Skin Cover	Gives Birth	Aquatic Creature	Aerial Creature	Has Legs	Hibernates	Class Label
human	warm-blooded	hair	yes	no	no	yes	no	mammal
python	cold-blooded	scales	no	no	no	no	yes	reptile
salmon	cold-blooded	scales	no	yes	no	no	no	fish
whale	warm-blooded	hair	yes	yes	no	no	no	mammal
frog	cold-blooded	none	no	semi	no	yes	yes	amphibian
komodo dragon	cold-blooded	scales	no	no	no	yes	no	reptile
bat	warm-blooded	hair	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	mammal
pigeon	warm-blooded	feathers	no	no	yes	yes	no	bird
cat	warm-blooded	fur	yes	no	no	yes	no	mammal
leopard	cold-blooded	scales	yes	yes	no	no	no	fish
shark								
turtle	cold-blooded	scales	no	semi	no	yes	no	reptile
penguin	warm-blooded	feathers	no	semi	no	yes	no	bird
porcupine	warm-blooded	quills	yes	no	no	yes	yes	mammal
eel	cold-blooded	scales	no	yes	no	no	no	fish
salamander	cold-blooded	none	no	semi	no	yes	yes	amphibian

Use algorithm to learn model from training data

MODEL

Apply model to **classify** new data

New/test data

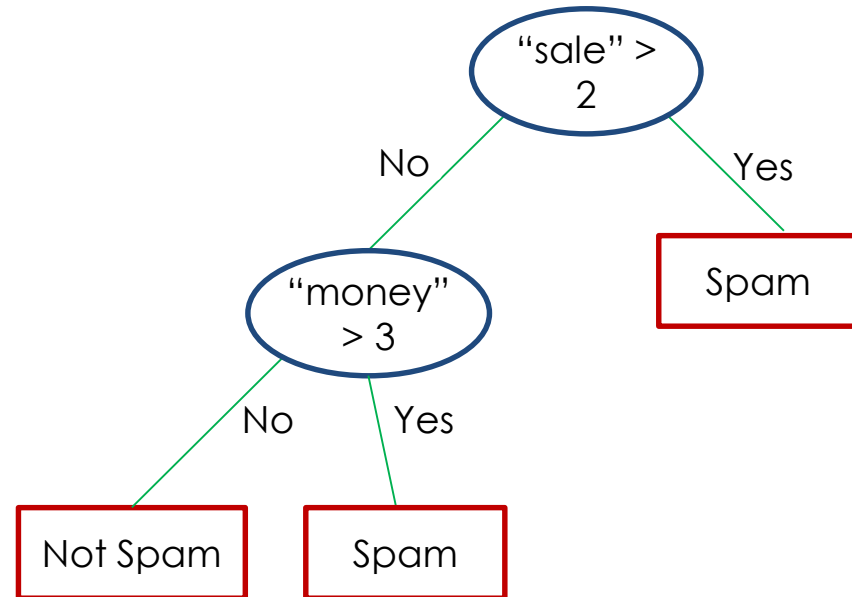
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Examples of classification algorithms

- **Decision Trees**
- **K-Nearest Neighbour**
- **Neural Networks**
- Support Vector Machines
- Naïve Bayes
- ...

Decision tree

- Very popular classifier
- **Nodes** represent decisions
- **Arcs** represent possible answers
- **Terminal nodes** represent class labels

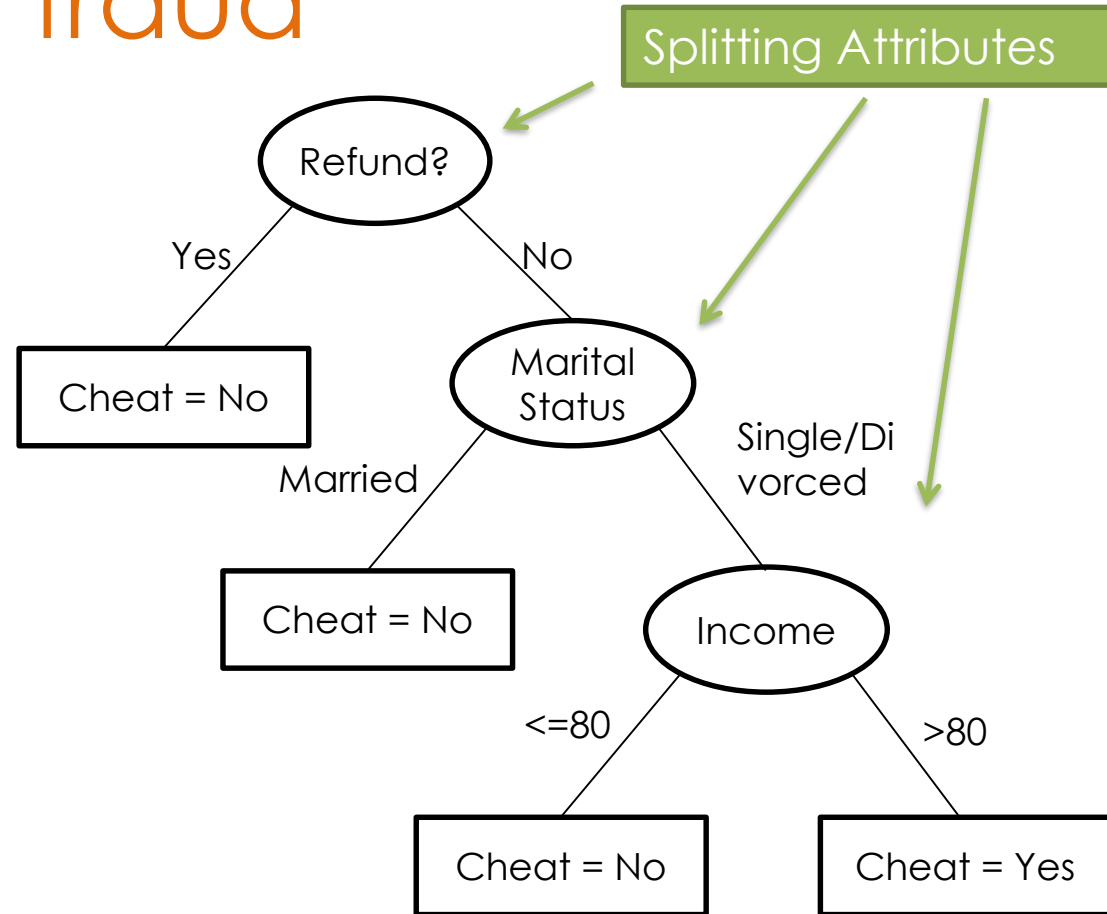


Decision tree: example from tax fraud

categorical
categorical
continuous
class

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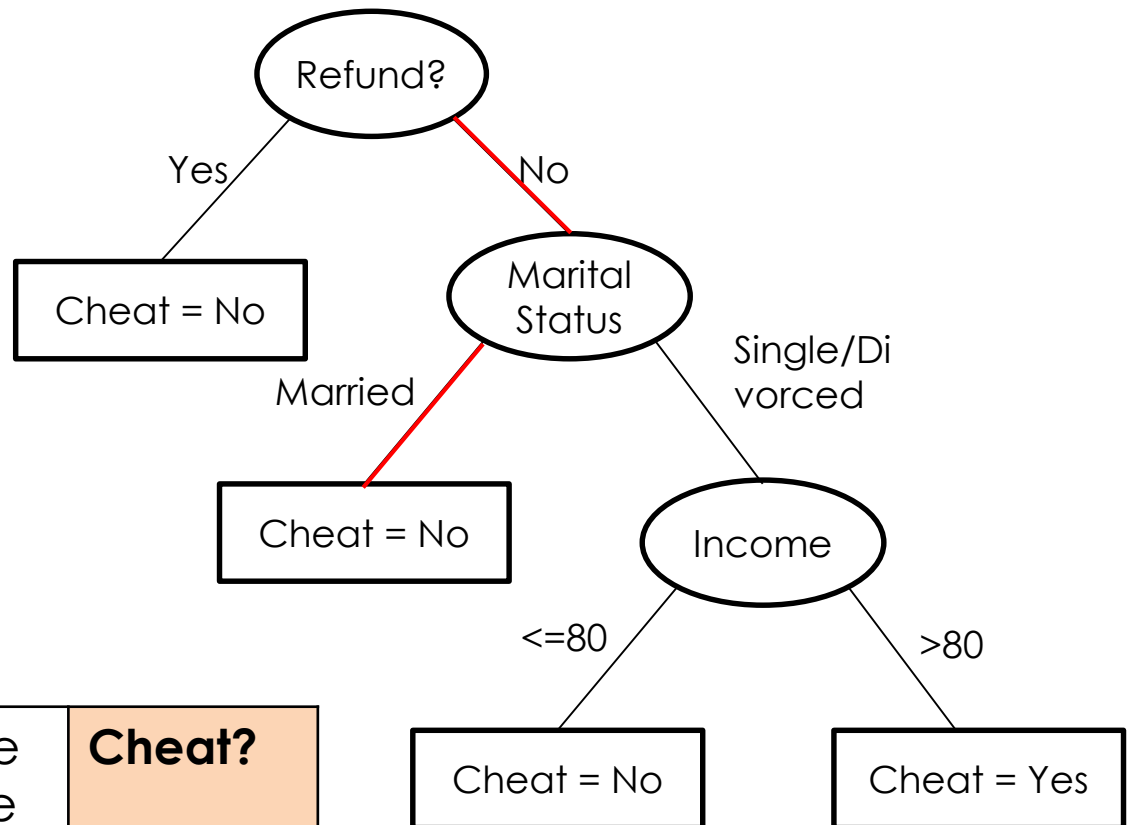
Training Data



Model: Decision Tree

Decision tree

Model: Decision Tree



Test Data

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No	Married	80K	?

Decision tree

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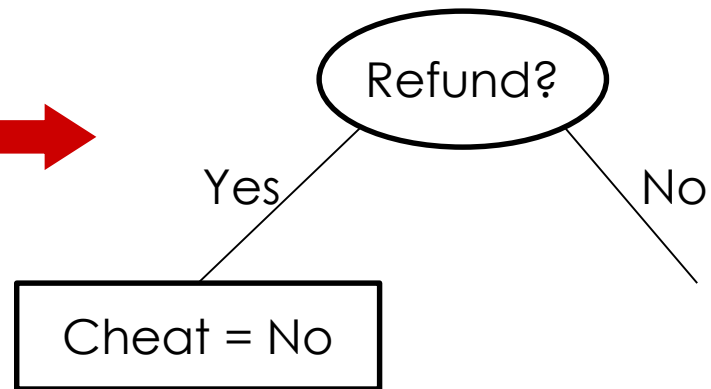
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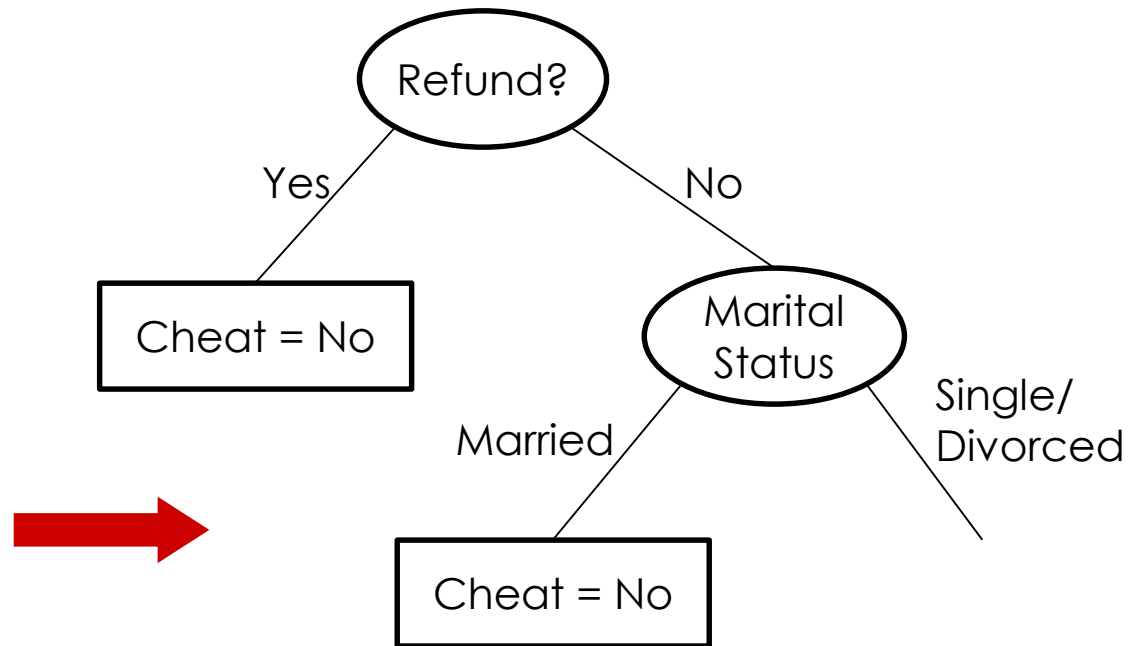


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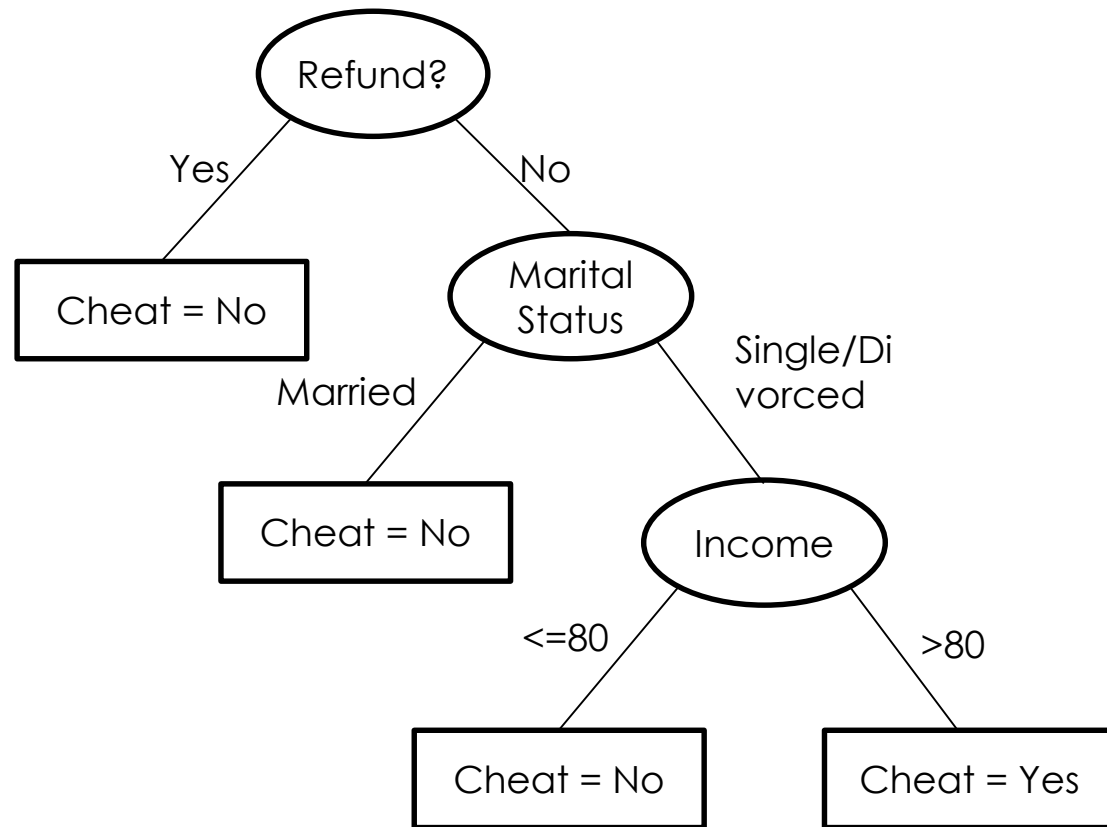


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Training Data



Model: Decision Tree

Decision tree algorithms

- Hunt's Algorithm (one of the earliest and basis for most existing algorithms)
- CART
- ID3, C4.5
- SLIQ, SPRINT
- ...
- ...

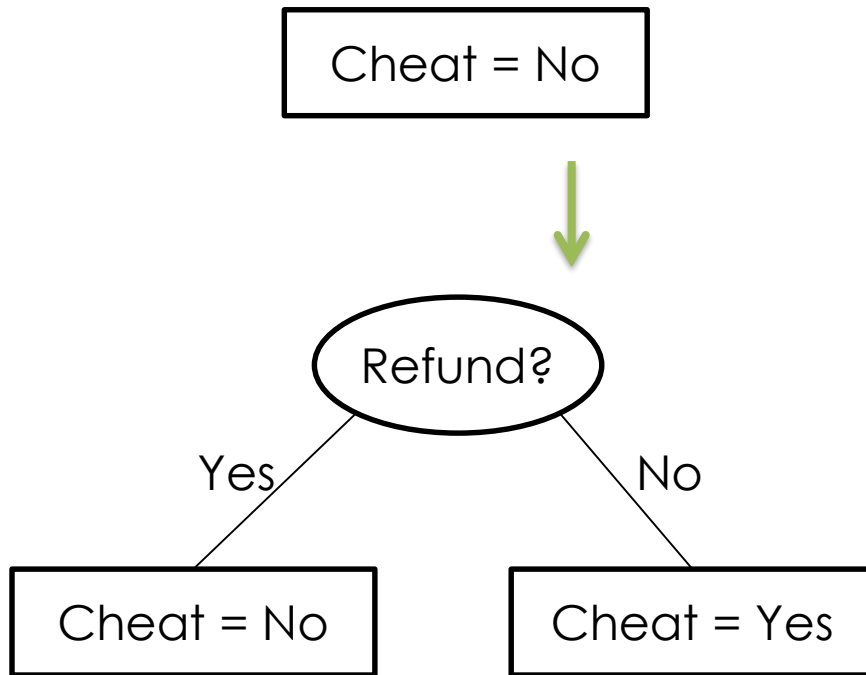
Building a decision tree

- Often known as *rule induction*
- Nodes are **repeatedly split** until all elements represented belong to one class
- Nodes then become terminal nodes
- Deciding which nodes to split next as well as the evaluation function used to split it depend on the algorithm

Building a decision tree algorithm (Hunt's)

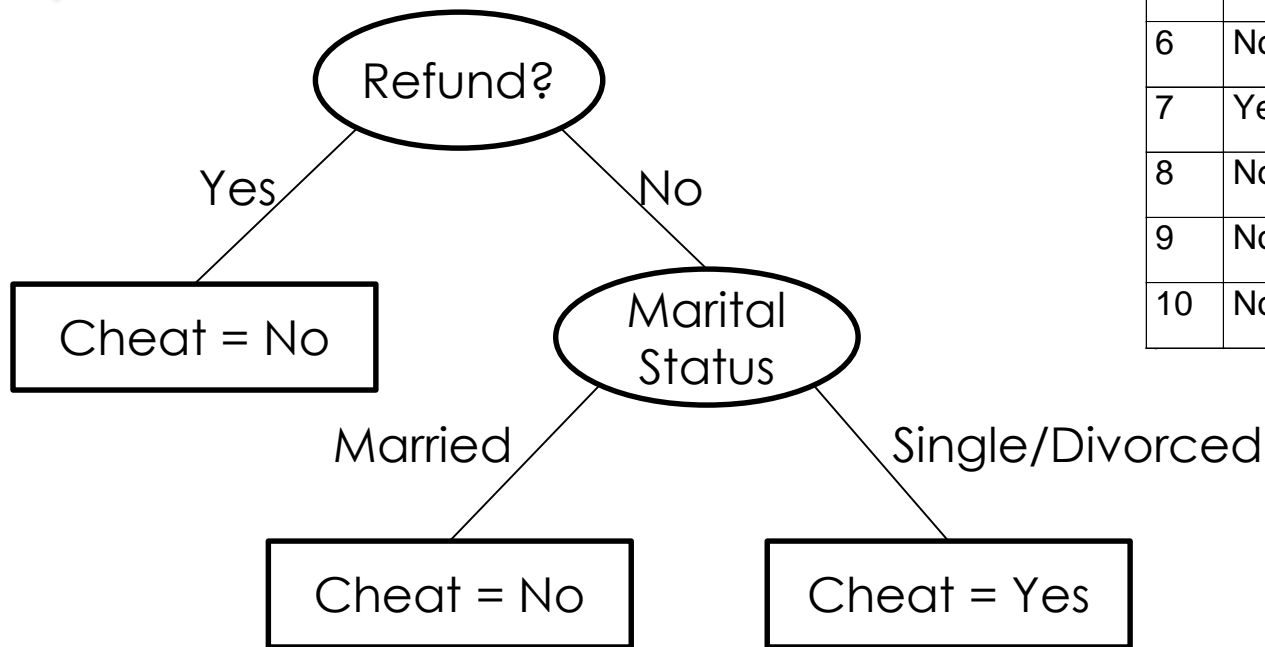
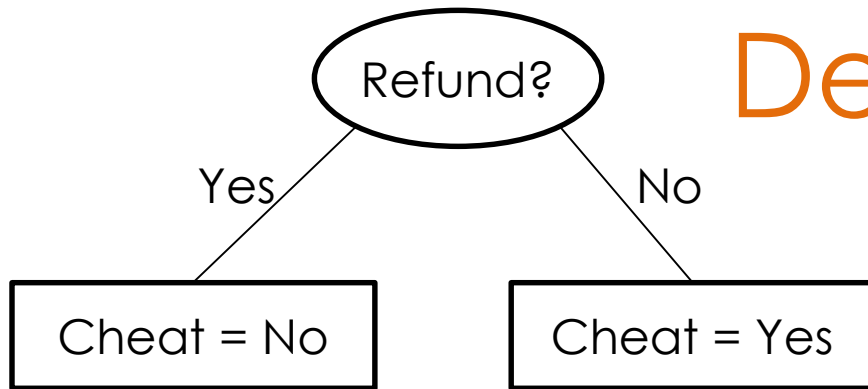
1. Let the set of training data be S . Put all S in a single tree node.
 - If some of the attributes are continuous-valued, make them discrete. For example, continuous age values can be binned into categories (under 18, 18-40, 41-65, over 65)
2. If all instances in S are in the same class, then stop.
3. Split the next node by selecting an attribute A from your list of attributes that **best splits** the objects in the node, and create a node.
4. Split the node according to the values of A .
5. Stop if either of the following conditions is met otherwise continue with Step 3:
 - a) If this partition divides the data into subsets that belong to a single class and no other node needs splitting, or,
 - b) If there are no remaining attributes on which the sample may be further divided.

Building a decision tree demo



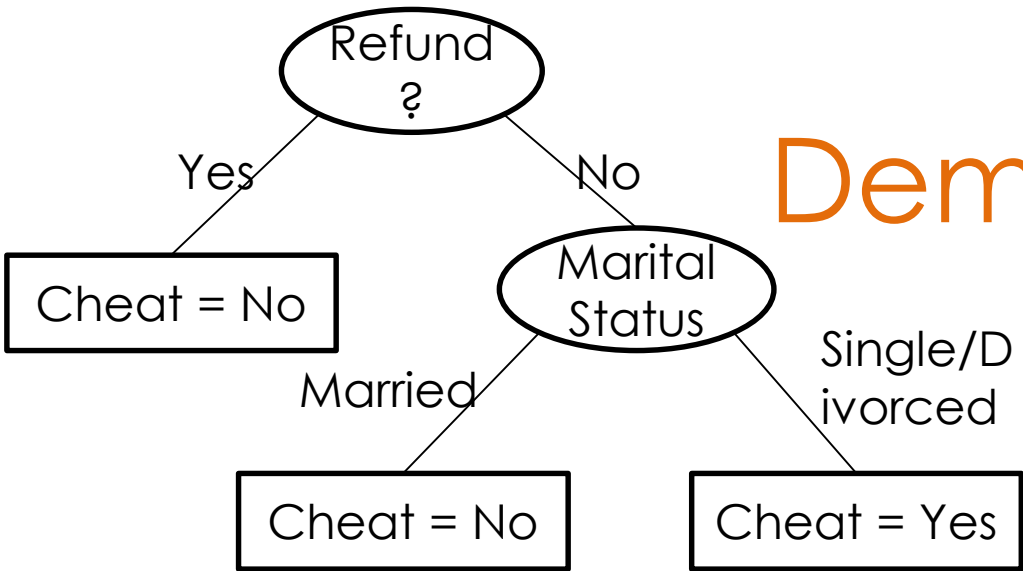
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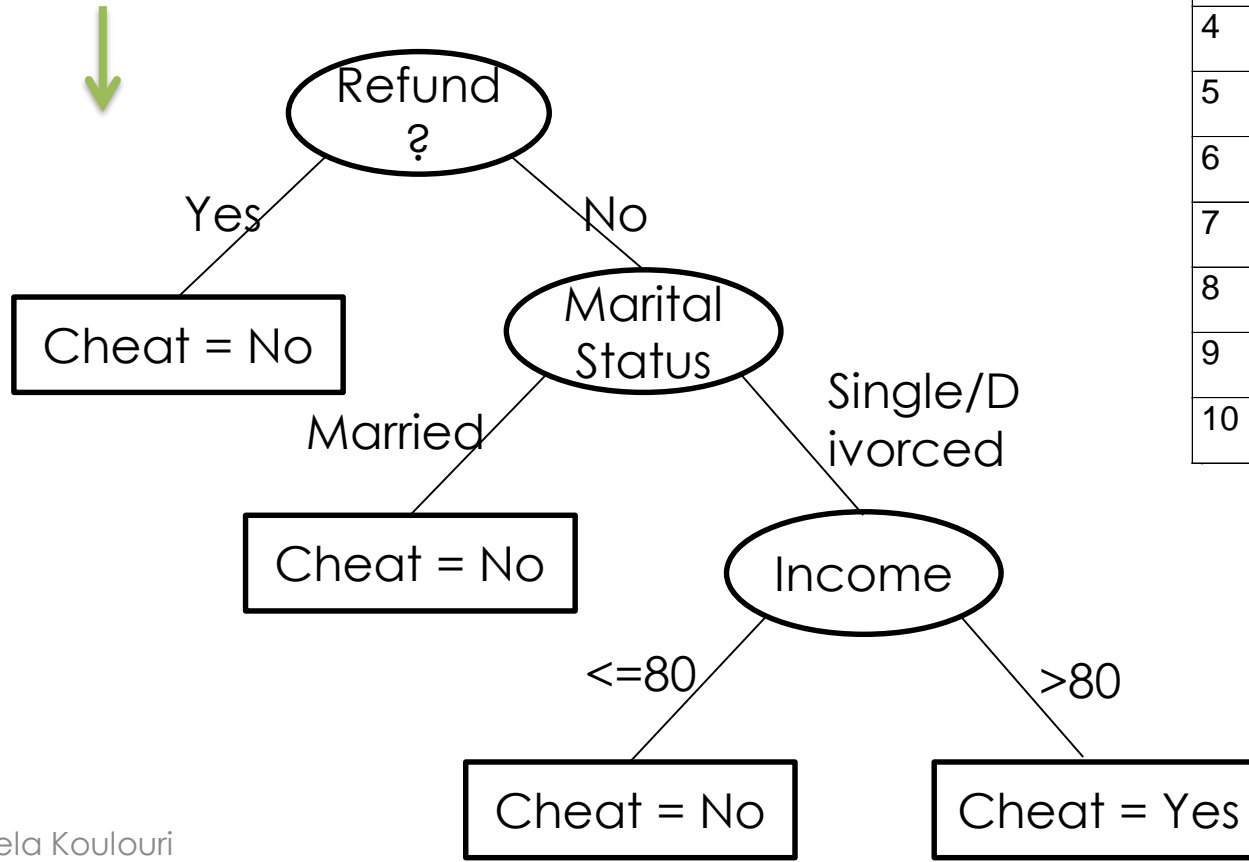


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Building a decision tree

- How do we decide which attribute **best splits** the objects?
- Most commonly used measures to select best split:
 - GINI index
 - Entropy (information theory)

How to determine the **best split**

- Greedy approach:
 - We want nodes that give us **homogeneous, pure** classes
 - For example, in a 2-class situation, we split using attribute X , and all records go to Class0 and 0 to Class1. That is 0 impurity. Ideal!
 - If we split by attribute B , half of the records go to Class0 and the other half to Class1. That's is 0.5 impurity. Worst!
- Need a measure of node impurity (the lowest the better):

Attribute X

C0: 5
C1: 5

Non-homogeneous,
High degree of impurity

Attribute Y

C0: 9
C1: 1

Homogeneous,
Low degree of impurity

Deciding the best split: Entropy and GINI measures

- Let $p(j/t)$ denote the relative frequency of class j (at a given node t).
- The most popular measures are:
 - The GINI index

$$GINI(t) = 1 - \sum_j [p(j | t)]^2$$

- Entropy (information theory)

$$Entropy(t) = -\sum_j p(j | t) \log p(j | t)$$

Computing impurity: GINI

$$GINI(t) = 1 - \sum_j [p(j | t)]^2$$

X

C1	0
C2	6

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

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

Y

C1	1
C2	5

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

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

Z

C1	2
C2	4

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

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

Which attribute (X, Y, Z) would give the best split?

Splitting Based on GINI

- Used in CART, SLIQ, SPRINT.
- When a node p is split into k partitions (children), the quality of split is computed as,

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

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

Example: splitting based on GINI

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- We have 10 records and 3 classes: A, B, C
- We calculate the GINI index for each attribute
- The attribute with the lowest GINI will be the one to split by!

Married

Class	Yes	No
A		
B		
C		
Total		

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B	1	2
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$$\text{Total Gini is } G = 5/10 * 0.32 + 5/10 * 0.48 = 0.40$$

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Gender

Class	Female	Male
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B		
C		
Total		

Gini (F) = ?

Gini (M) = ?

Total Gini is $G =$

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Gender

Class	Male	Female
A	0	3
B	3	0
C	0	4
Total	3	7

$$\text{Gini (M)} = 1 - 1 = 0$$

$$\text{Gini (F)} = 1 - \left(\frac{3}{7}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{4}{7}\right)^2 = 0.490$$

$$\text{Total Gini is } G = \frac{3}{10} * 0 + \frac{7}{10} * 0.490 = \mathbf{0.343}$$

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- **Owens home**

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- **Employed**

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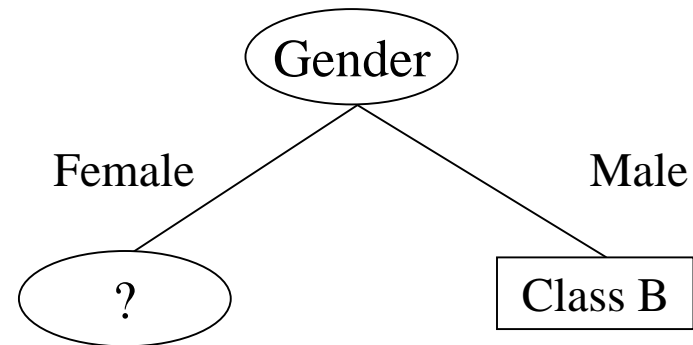
- **Credit Rating**

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Calculations as part of
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Example: splitting based on GINI

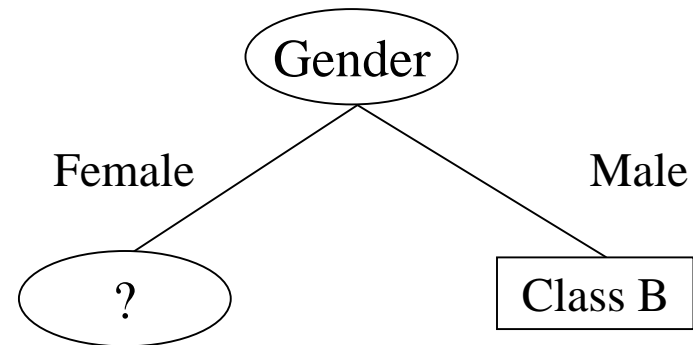
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- The attribute with the lowest GINI index is Gender. So the split attribute at this point is Gender.
- Now we can continue building the tree determining which of the remaining attributes we should split next, doing the same process.
- In fact, since all Males have already been classified (all 3 were in class B, and no Females were in class B), we don't need to consider these records again.

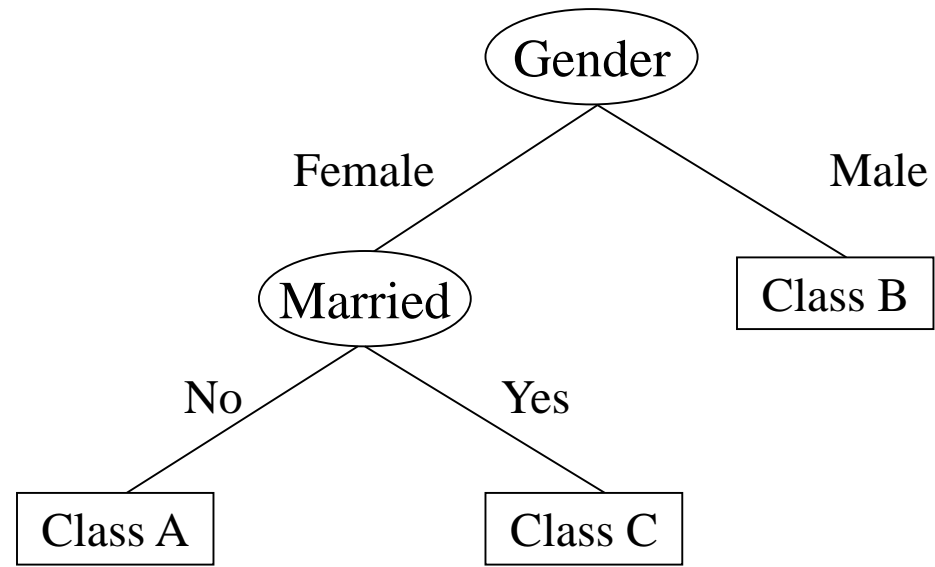
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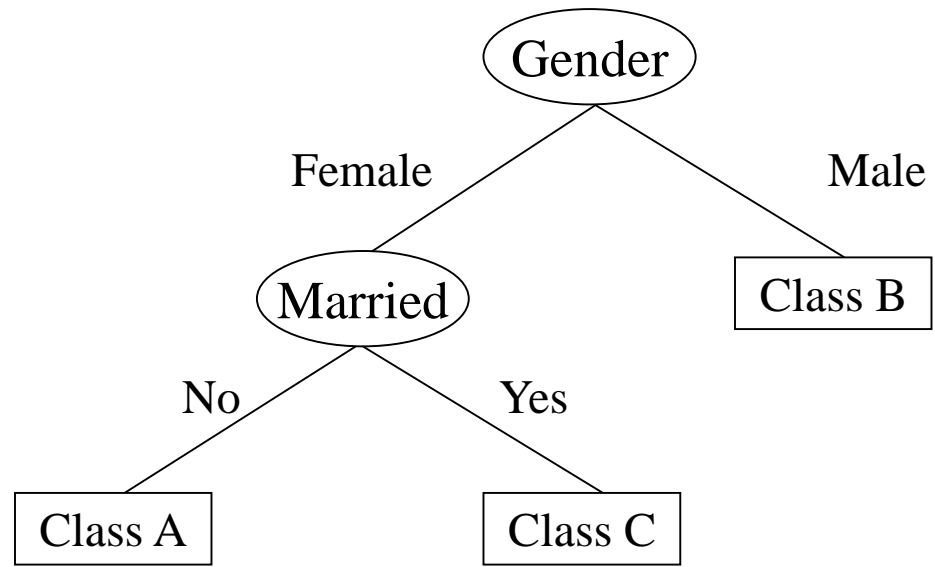
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Example: final decision tree



<i>Owns home?</i>	<i>Married</i>	<i>Gender</i>	<i>Employed</i>	<i>Credit rating</i>	<i>Risk class</i>
Yes	Yes	Male	Yes	A	B
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Yes	Yes	Female	Yes	A	C

Decision tree rules



- Decision trees produce clear ‘if-then’ rules.
- Rules can be used to query a relational database.
 - If Gender = ‘Male’ then Class = B
 - If Gender = ‘Female’ and Married = ‘Yes’ then Class = C, else Class = A.

Strengths and limitations of decision trees

Strengths:

- Can be easily interpreted
- Can handle both categorical and numerical variables
- Show the most important features in a dataset (the ones at the top that gave the best split)
- Are not sensitive to outliers or missing data

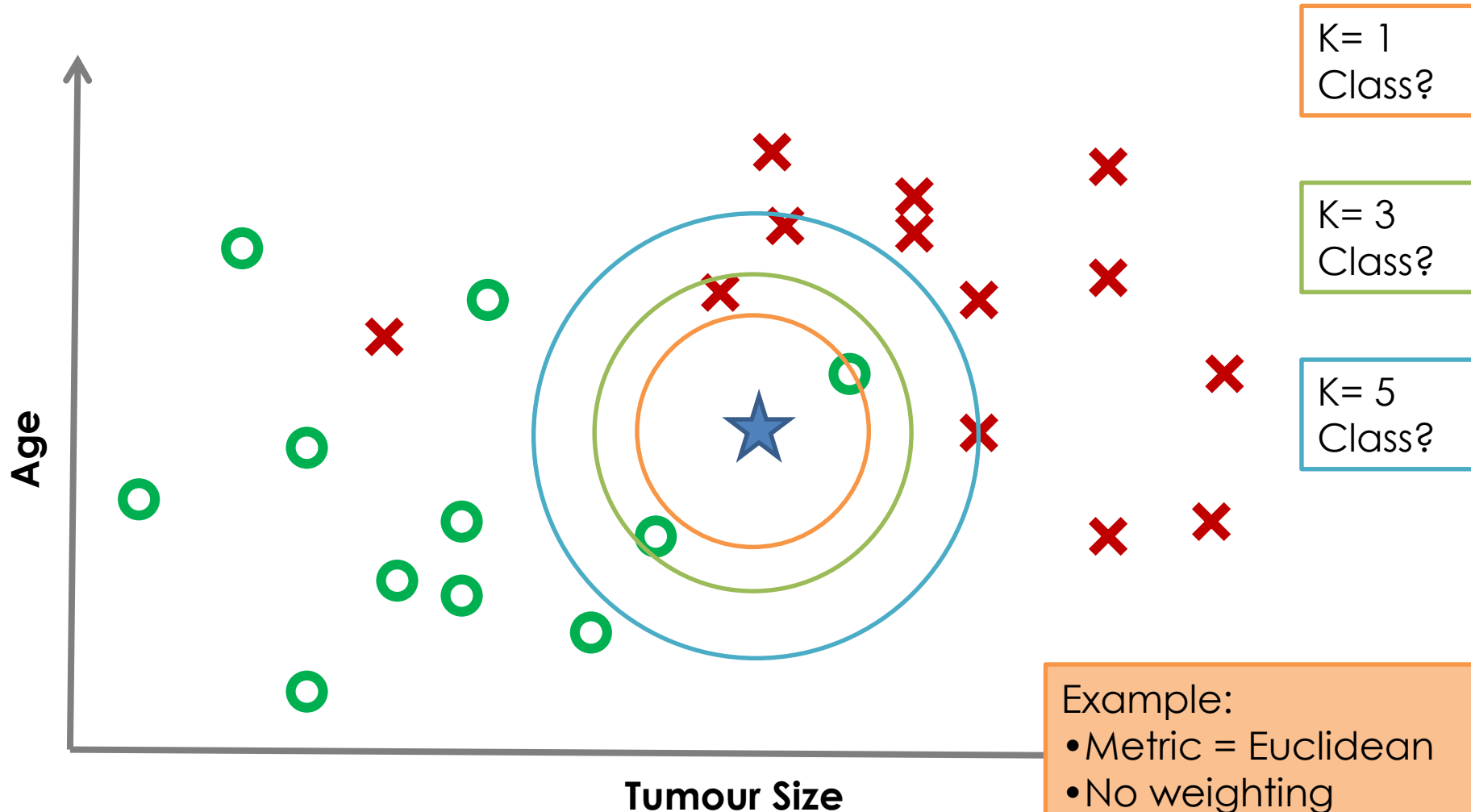
Limitations:

- Classifiers can create too complex trees that do not generalise well to new data (this is called overfitting).
- Sensitive to even small changes in the data

K-nearest neighbour (KNN)

- Object is assigned to the class most common among its **K nearest neighbours**
- Requires:
 - Distance Metric (e.g. Euclidean)
 - **k** parameter (no. of neighbours – nothing to do with K means clustering)
 - Weighting function
 - How to combine the info from neighbours

Classification with KNN



Example:

- Metric = Euclidean
- No weighting function
- Maximum vote of neighbours

Summary

- Classification
- Decision Trees (algorithm and best split measures)
- KNN

Software implementations of decision tree and classification algorithms

- R *
- Weka *
- ScipY and scikit-learn python libraries *
- Orange *
- MATLAB
- SPSS
- SAS
- STATA
- SQL Server Analysis Services
- * Free software/OS licence

Additional resources

Reading:

- Tan et al. 'Introduction to Data Mining'

<http://www-users.cs.umn.edu/~kumar/dmbook/index.php>

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Free download

Watching:

- Andrew Ng's Stanford Machine Learning lectures.

Brilliant module – it covers everything in ML!