Thinkful Data Science Boot Camp

Unit 2.2 Drill 3

Regression or Classification

For each of the following situations, decide if you would model using a regression or classification model. Discuss your reasoning with your mentor next time you meet.

1. The amount a person will spend on a given site in the next 24 months.

a. Regression (continuous variable)

2. What color car someone is going to buy.

a. Classification (categorical variable - limited choices)

3. How many children a family will have.

a. Classification (could be Regression but there is a limited number of choices that would not be considered outliers)

4. If someone will sign up for a service.

a. Classification (this is a categorical variable - yes or no)

5. The number of times someone will get sick in a year.

a. Regression (there is no real reasonable count per person and cannot make categories for all probabilities)

6. The probability someone will get sick in the next month.

a. Regression (there is no real reasonable count per person and cannot make categories for all probabilities)

7. Which medicine will work best for a given patient.

a. Regression (many medications to choose from)