

Decision Trees

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Topics

What is Classification

Types of classification

Classification use case

What is decision tree

Terminologies associated with Decision Trees

Visualization of a Decision Tree

Writing a Decision tree classifier using python

I THINK I HAVE TO
BUY A CAR



WILL IT BE SUFFICIENT
FOR 6 PEOPLE?

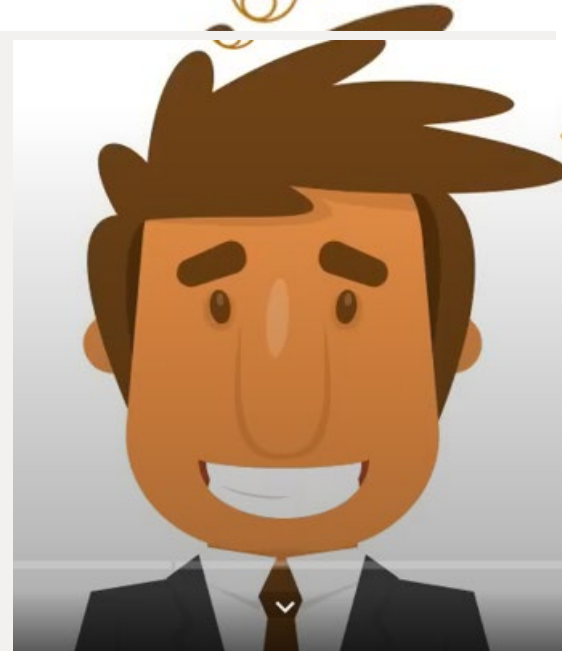
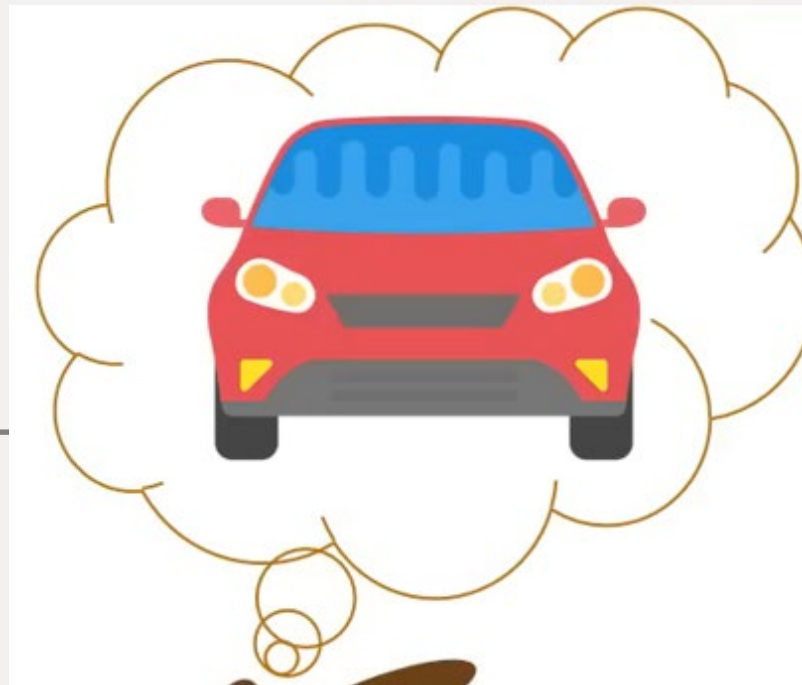
IS PRICE < 15 LAKHS?

NUMBER OF AIRBAGS = 4

IS MILEAGE > 20?

ANTI-LOCK BRAKES?





THIS SEEMS GOOD

What is a Decision Tree?

A decision tree is a map of the possible outcomes of a series of related choices. It allows an individual or organization to weigh possible actions against one another based on their costs, probabilities, and benefits.

As the name goes, it uses a tree-like model of decisions. They can be used either to drive informal discussion or to map out an algorithm that predicts the best choice mathematically.

A decision tree typically starts with a single node, which branches into possible outcomes. Each of those outcomes leads to additional nodes, which branch off into other possibilities. This gives it a tree-like shape.

What is Classification

Classification is the process of dividing the dataset into different categories or groups by adding labels

E.g. Fraud Detection

Classify fruits on the basis of size , color
,taste etc

Types of Classification

Decision Tree

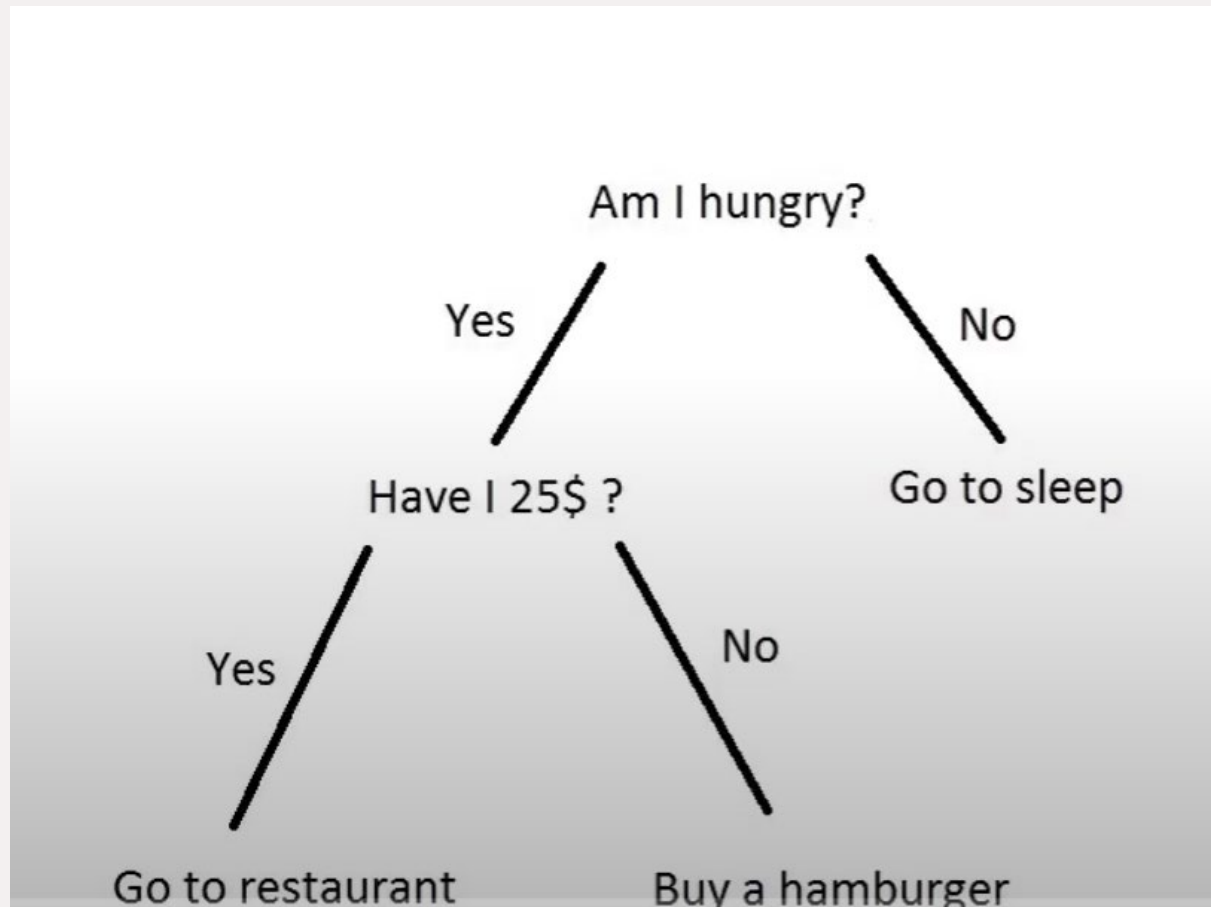
Random forest

Naïve Bias

KNN

Decision Trees

- Graphical Representation of all possible solutions to a decision
 - Decisions are based on some conditions
 - Decision made can be easily explained
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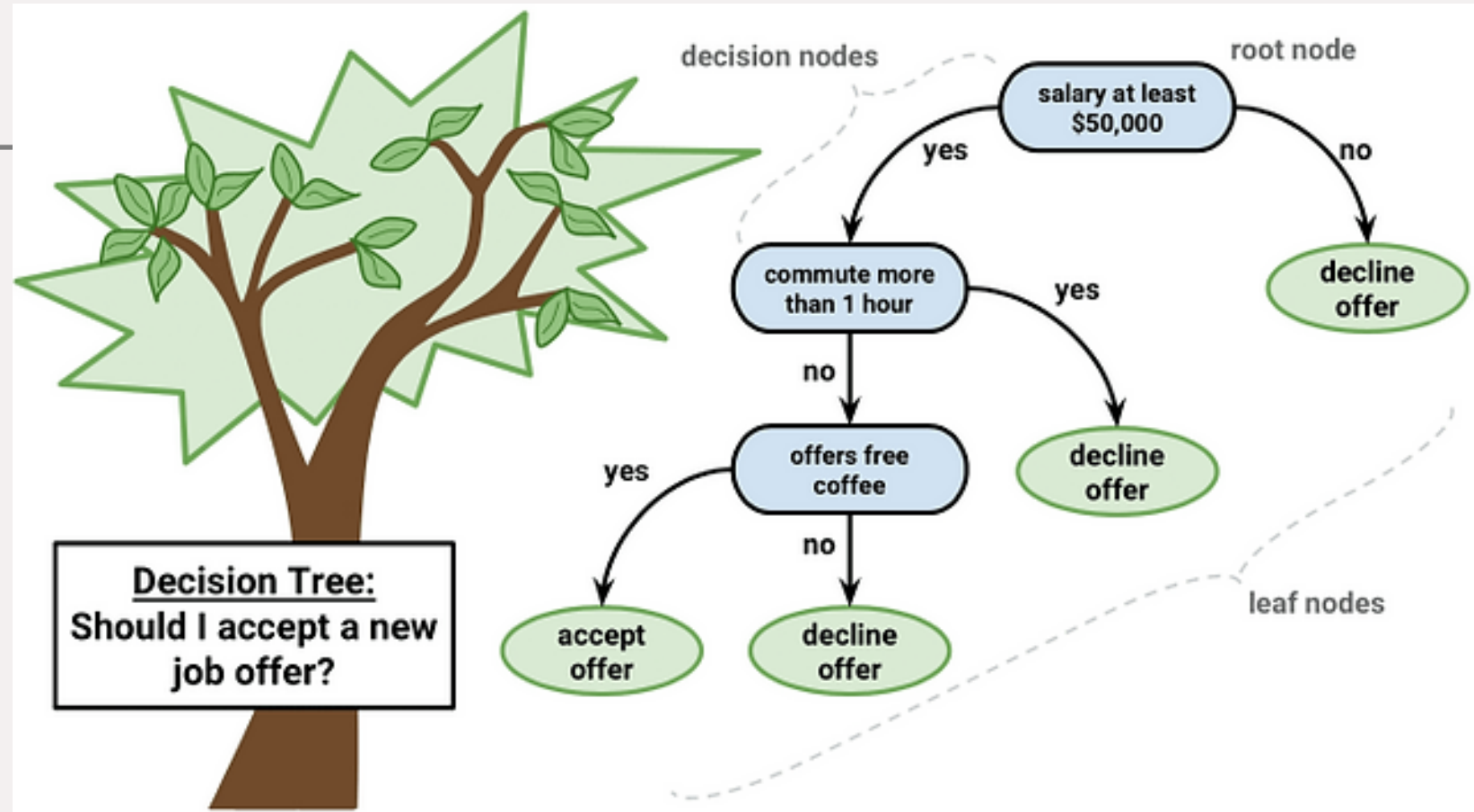


“A Decision Tree is a graphical representation of all the possible solutions to a decision based on certain conditions ”

Decision Tree:
Should I accept a new job offer?

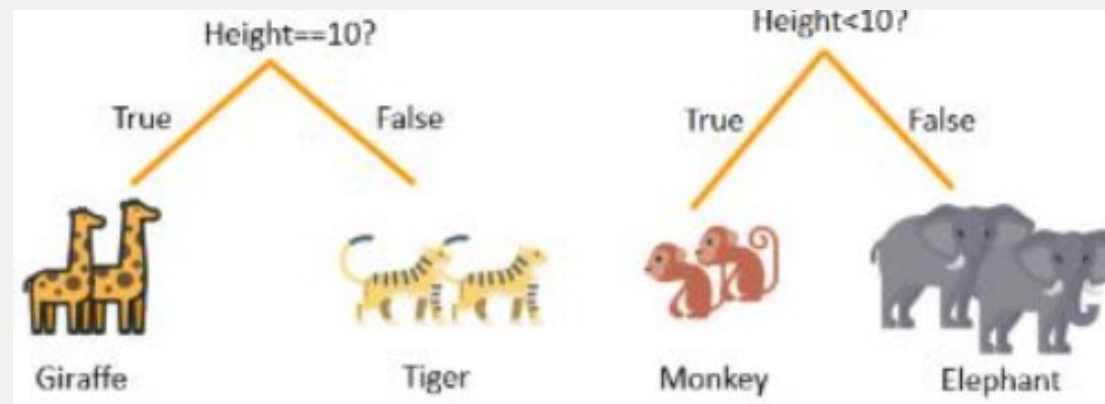
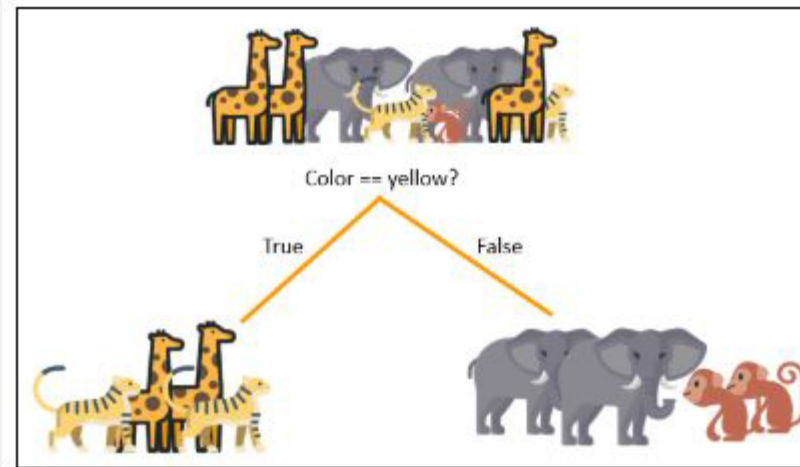
There are three different types of nodes:
chance nodes,
decision nodes,
and end nodes.

A chance node:
represented by a circle, shows the probabilities of certain results.
A decision node, represented by a square, shows a decision to be made,
and an end node shows the final outcome of a decision path.



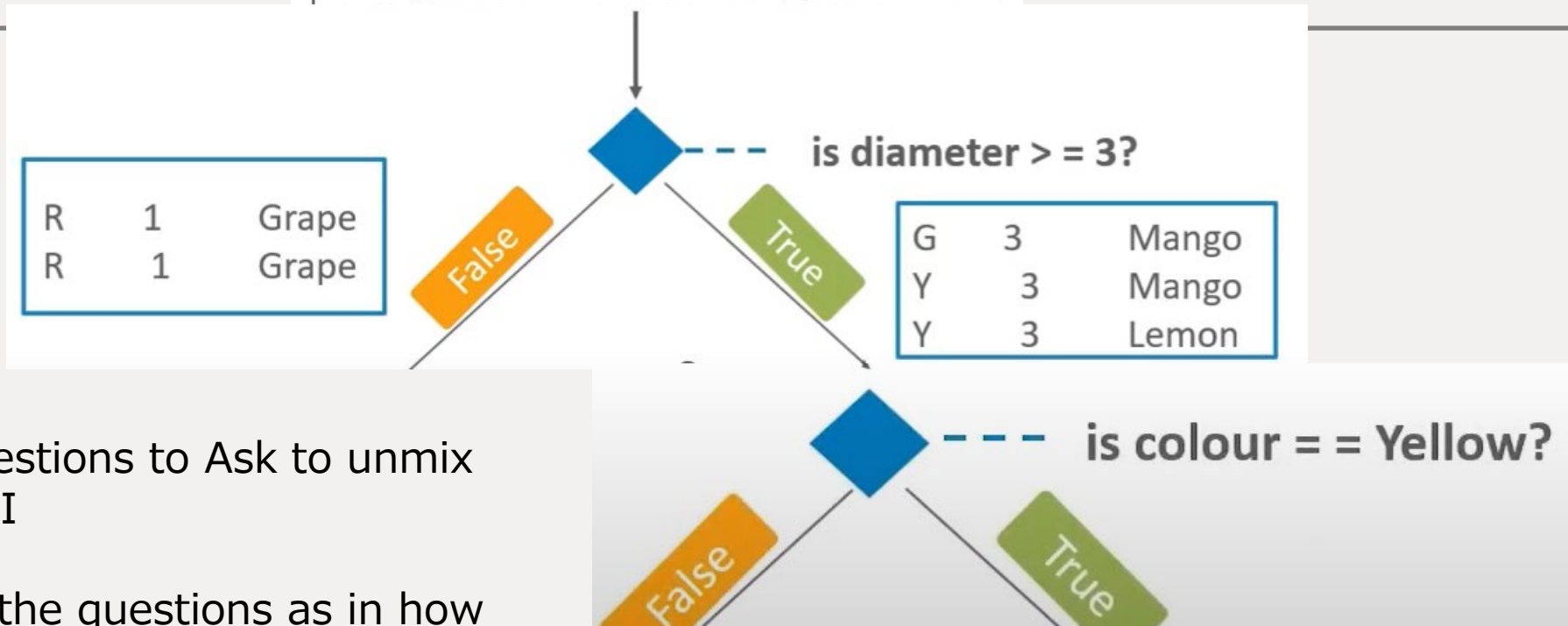
Training Dataset

Color	Height	Label
Grey	10	Elephant
Yellow	10	Giraffe
Brown	3	Monkey
Grey	10	Elephant
Yellow	4	Tiger



Colour	Diameter	Label
Green	3	Mango
Yellow	3	Mango
Red	1	Grape
Red	1	Grape
Yellow	3	Lemon

Green	3	Mango
Yellow	3	Lemon
Red	1	Grape
Yellow	3	Mango
Red	1	Grape



How many Questions to Ask to unmix the label - GINI

Then quantify the questions as in how much a question reduces the uncertainty using a concept called information gain

Decision Tree Terminology

Pruning

Opposite of Splitting, basically removing unwanted branches from the tree

Branch/SubTree

Formed by splitting the tree/node

Parent/Child Node

Root node is the parent node and all the other nodes branched from it is known as child node

Splitting

Splitting is dividing the root node/sub node into different parts on the basis of some condition.

Root Node

It represents the entire population or sample and this further gets divided into two or more homogenous sets.

Leaf Node

Node cannot be further segregated into further nodes



But How do we choose
the best attribute?

Or

How does a tree decide
where to split?

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How Does a Tree decides where to split

Gini Index

The measure of impurity (or purity) used in building decision tree in CART is Gini Index

Chi Square

It is an algorithm to find out the statistical significance between the differences between sub-nodes and parent node



Information Gain

The information gain is the decrease in entropy after a dataset is split on the basis of an attribute. Constructing a decision tree is all about finding attribute that returns the highest information gain

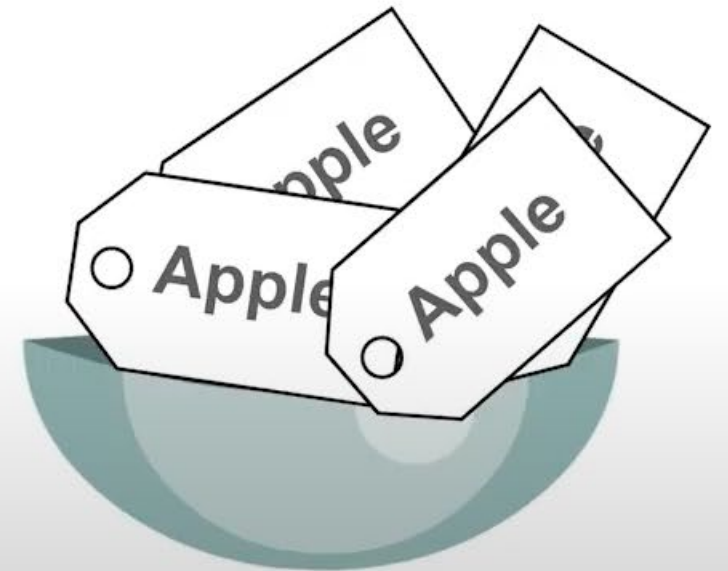
Reduction in Variance

Reduction in variance is an algorithm used for continuous target variables (regression problems). The split with lower variance is selected as the criteria to split the population

Entropy: Entropy in Decision Tree stands for homogeneity. If the data is completely homogenous, the entropy is 0, else if the data is divided (50-50%) entropy is 1.

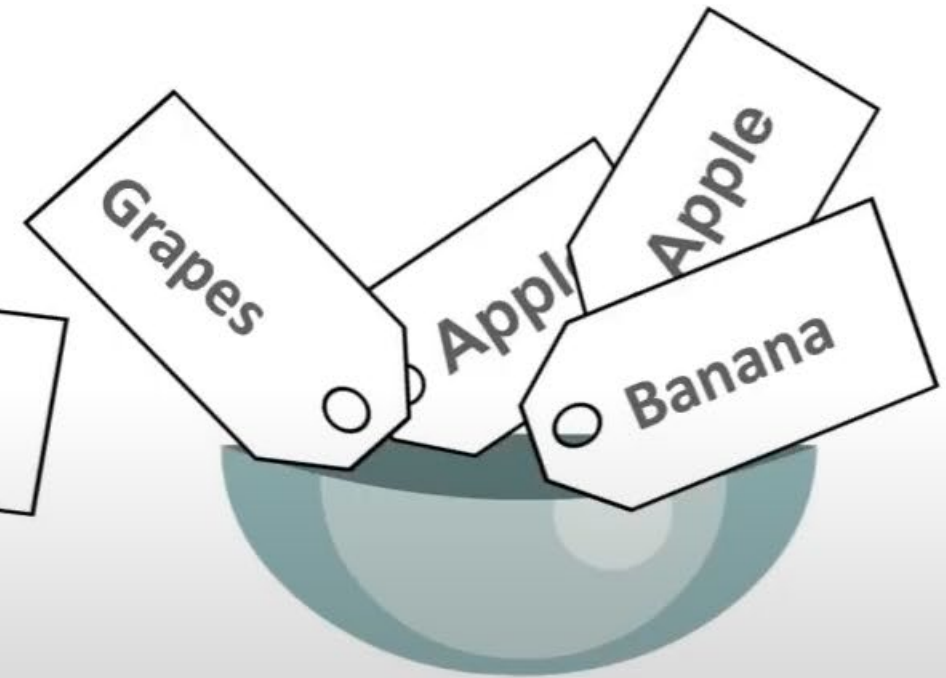
Information Gain: Information Gain is the decrease/increase in Entropy value when the node is split.

What is impurity



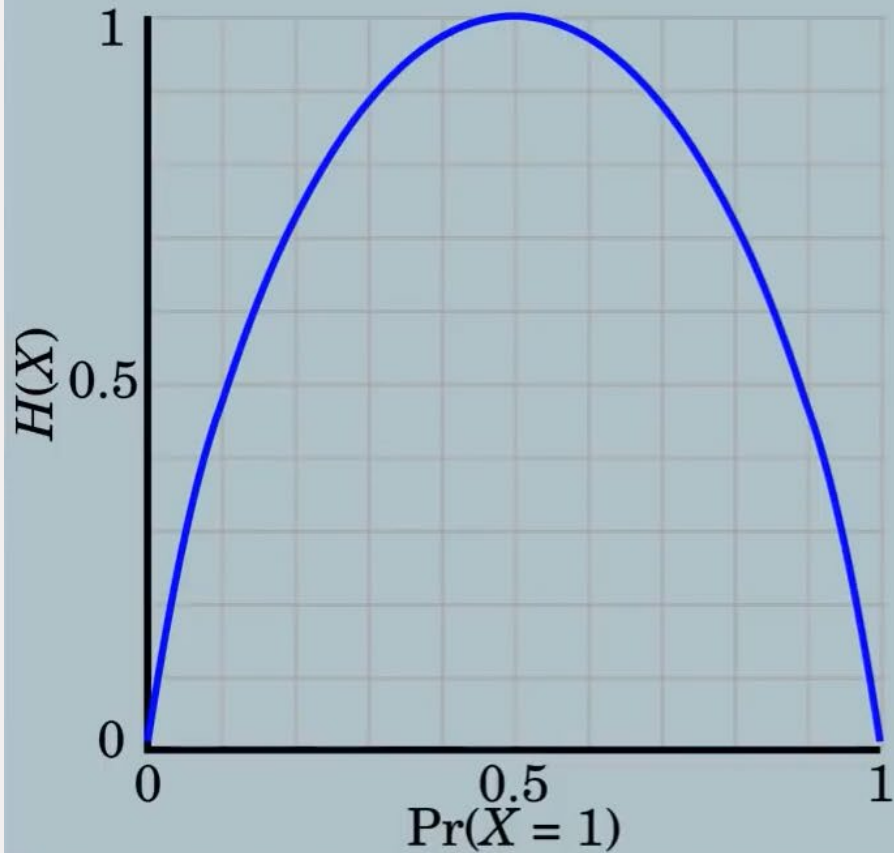
Degree of randomness . Here it is 0

Impurity – non zero



Impurity is not 0

What is Entropy?



$$\text{Entropy}(s) = -P(\text{yes}) \log_2 P(\text{yes}) - P(\text{no}) \log_2 P(\text{no})$$

Where,

- S is the total sample space,
- $P(\text{yes})$ is probability of yes

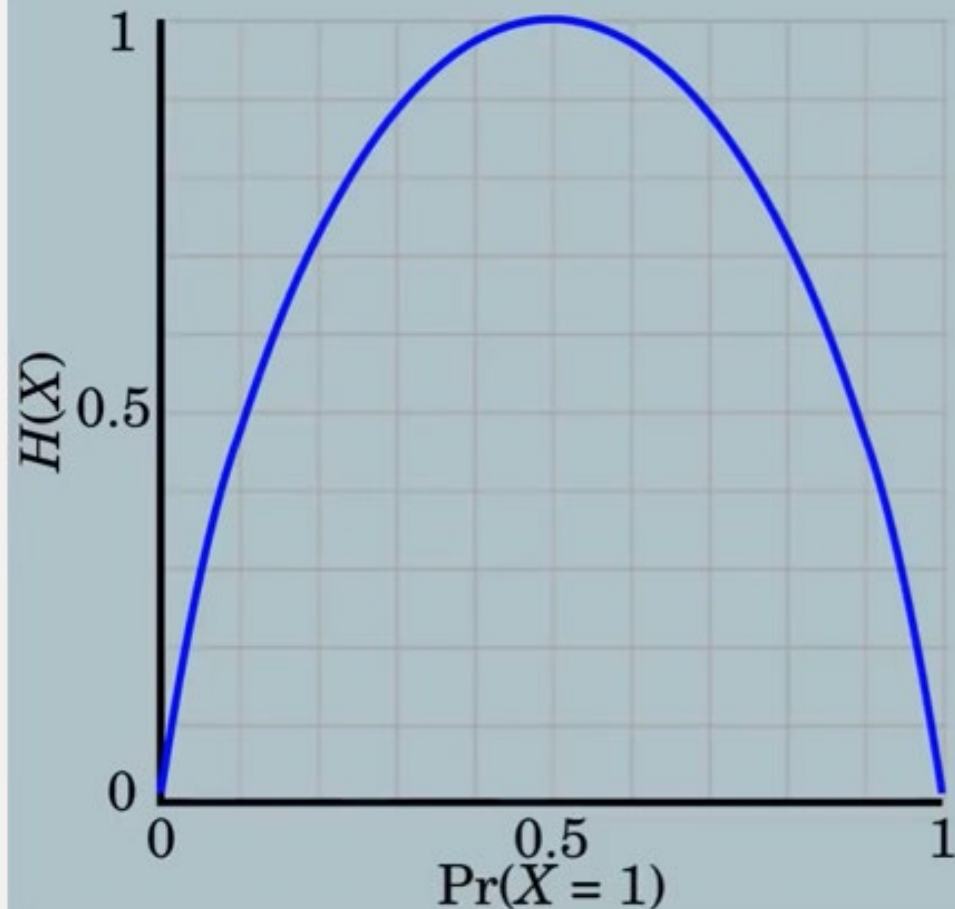
If number of **yes** = number of **no** ie $P(S) = 0.5$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Entropy}(s) = 1$$

If it contains all yes or all no ie $P(S) = 1$ or 0

$$\Rightarrow \text{Entropy}(s) = 0$$

What is Entropy?



$$E(S) = -P(\text{Yes}) \log_2 P(\text{Yes})$$

When $P(\text{Yes}) = P(\text{No}) = 0.5$ ie YES + NO = Total Sample(S)

$$E(S) = 0.5 \log_2 0.5 - 0.5 \log_2 0.5$$

$$E(S) = 0.5(\log_2 0.5 - \log_2 0.5)$$

$$E(S) = 1$$

$$E(S) = -P(\text{No}) \log_2 P(\text{No})$$

When $P(\text{No}) = 1$ ie No = Total Sample(S)

$$E(S) = 1 \log_2 1$$

$$E(S) = 0$$

What is Information Gain?

- Measures the reduction in entropy
- Decides which attribute should be selected as the decision node

If S is our total collection,

Information Gain = $\text{Entropy}(S) - [(\text{Weighted Avg}) \times \text{Entropy}(\text{each feature})]$

GINI Impurity Vs Entropy

Gini impurity and entropy are not the same, but they are both commonly used measures of impurity in decision trees and other machine learning models.

Gini impurity is a measure of the probability of misclassifying a randomly chosen element in a dataset if it were randomly labeled according to the distribution of labels in the dataset. It is defined as:

$$\text{Gini impurity} = 1 - \sum (p_i)^2$$

where p_i is the proportion of instances in the dataset that belong to class i .

Entropy, on the other hand, is a measure of the disorder or unpredictability of a system. In the context of decision trees, it is a measure of the impurity of a set of labels. It is defined as:

$$\text{Entropy} = - \sum (p_i) \log_2(p_i)$$

where p_i is the proportion of instances in the dataset that belong to class i .

Both Gini impurity and entropy are used to determine the best split for a decision tree node. In general, Gini impurity is preferred when the classes are well-balanced, while entropy is preferred when the classes are highly imbalanced.

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Or

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Out of 14 instances we have 9 YES and 5 NO

So we have the formula,

$$E(S) = -P(\text{Yes}) \log_2 P(\text{Yes}) - P(\text{No}) \log_2 P(\text{No})$$

$$E(S) = - (9/14) * \log_2 9/14 - (5/14) * \log_2 5/14$$

$$E(S) = 0.41 + 0.53 = 0.94$$

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D6	rainy	cool	normal	true	no
D7	overcast	cool	normal	true	yes
D8	sunny	mild	high	false	no
D9	sunny	cool	normal	false	yes
D10	rainy	mild	normal	false	yes
D11	sunny	mild	normal	true	yes
D12	overcast	mild	high	true	yes
D13	overcast	hot	normal	false	yes
D14	rainy	mild	high	true	no

Which Node To Select As Root Node?

Outlook?

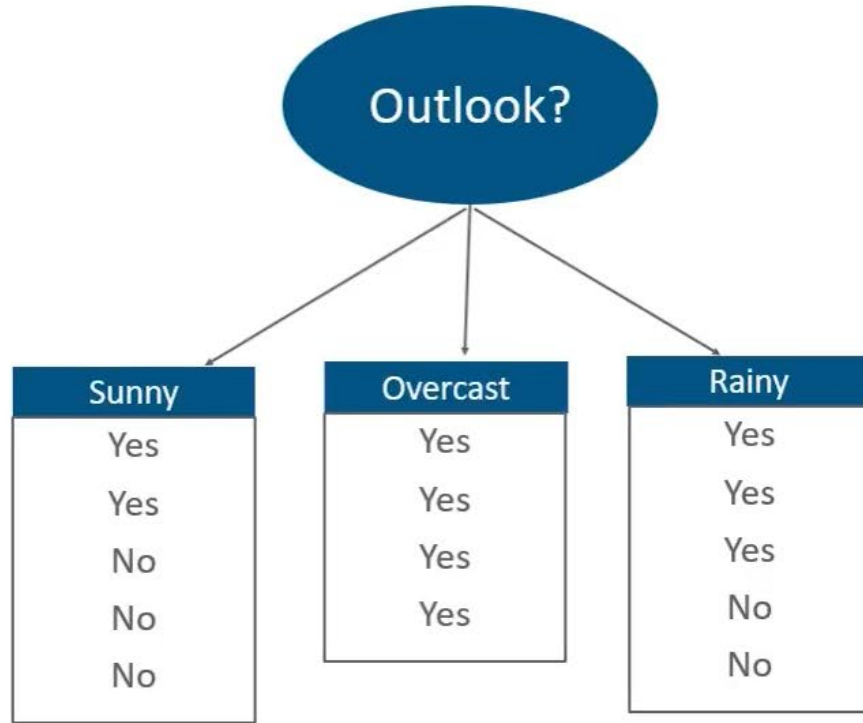
Temperature?

Humidity?

Windy?

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D7	overcast	cool	normal	true	yes
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Which Node To Select As Root Node: Outlook



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Which Node To Select As Root Node?

$$E(\text{Outlook} = \text{Sunny}) = -2/5 \log_2 2/5 - 3/5 \log_2 3/5 = 0.971$$

$$E(\text{Outlook} = \text{Overcast}) = -1 \log_2 1 - 0 \log_2 0 = 0$$

$$E(\text{Outlook} = \text{rainy}) = -3/5 \log_2 3/5 - 2/5 \log_2 2/5 = 0.971$$

Information from outlook,

$$I(\text{Outlook}) = 5/14 \times 0.971 + 4/14 \times 0 + 5/14 \times 0.971 = 0.693$$

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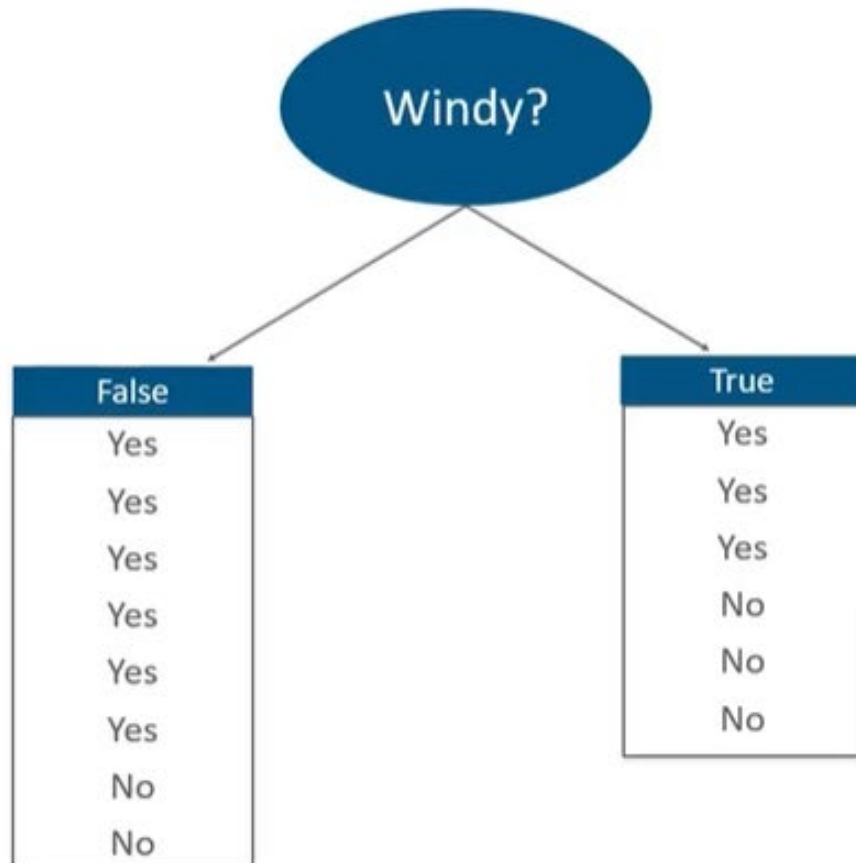
Information gained from outlook,

$$\text{Gain}(\text{Outlook}) = E(S) - I(\text{Outlook})$$

$$0.94 - 0.693 = 0.247$$

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overcast	mild	high	true	yes
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Which Node To Select As Root Node: Windy



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sunny	hot	high	true	no
overcast	hot	high	false	yes
rainy	mild	high	false	yes
rainy	cool	normal	false	yes
rainy	cool	normal	true	no
overcast	cool	normal	true	yes
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overcast	hot	normal	false	yes
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Which Node To Select As Root Node: Windy

$$E(\text{Windy} = \text{True}) = 1$$

$$E(\text{Windy} = \text{False}) = 0.811$$

Information from windy,

$$I(\text{Windy}) = 8/14 \times 0.811 + 6/14 \times 1 = 0.892$$

Information gained from outlook,

$$\text{Gain}(\text{Windy}) = E(S) - I(\text{Windy})$$

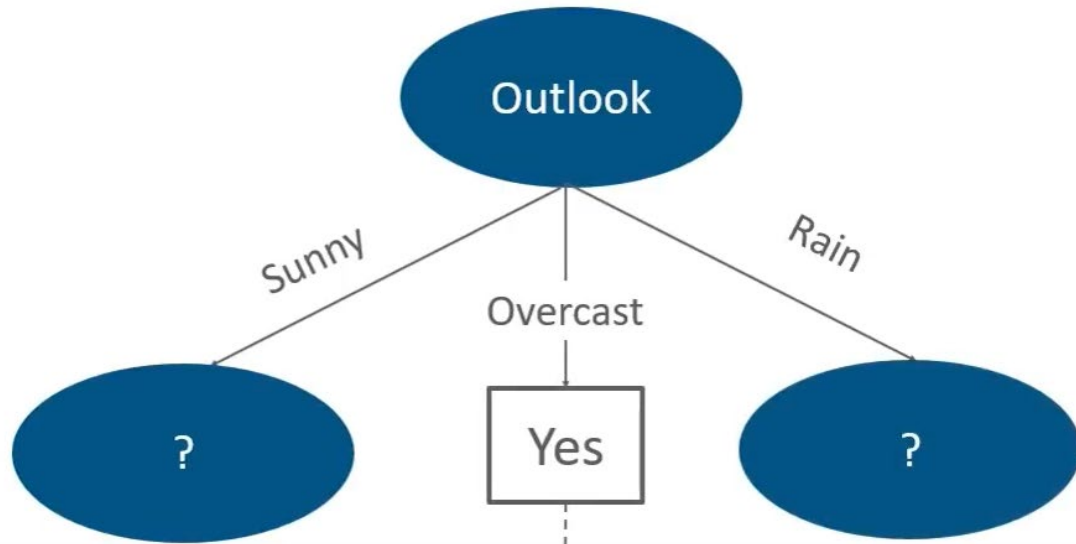
$$0.94 - 0.892 = 0.048$$

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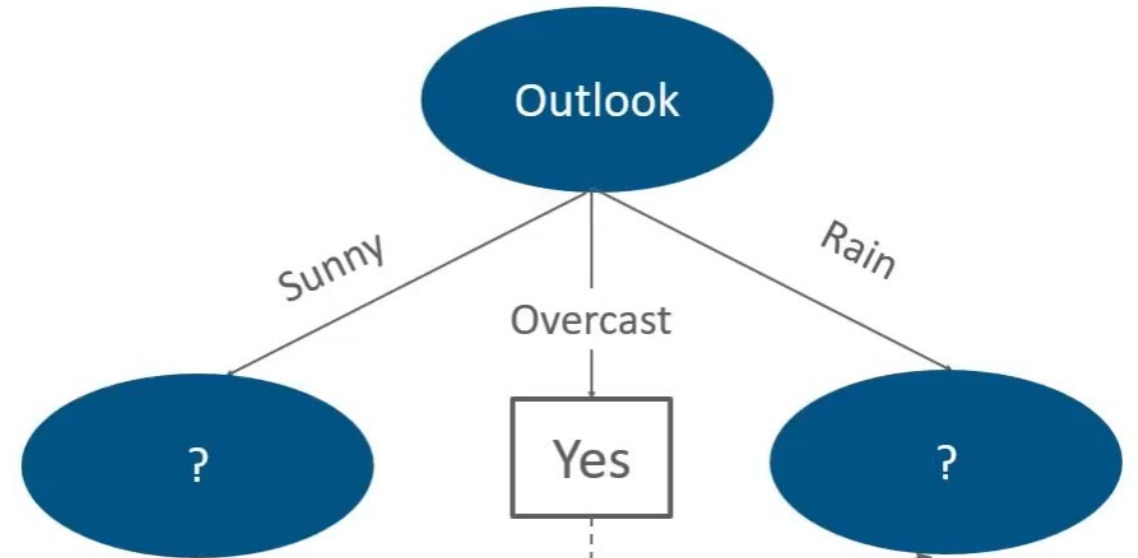
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				overcast	hot	high	false	yes	
				rainy	mild	high	false	yes	
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				overcast	cool	normal	true	yes	
				sunny	mild	high	false	no	
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Since Max gain = 0.247,									
Outlook is our ROOT Node									

Which Node To Select Further?



No Leaf Node

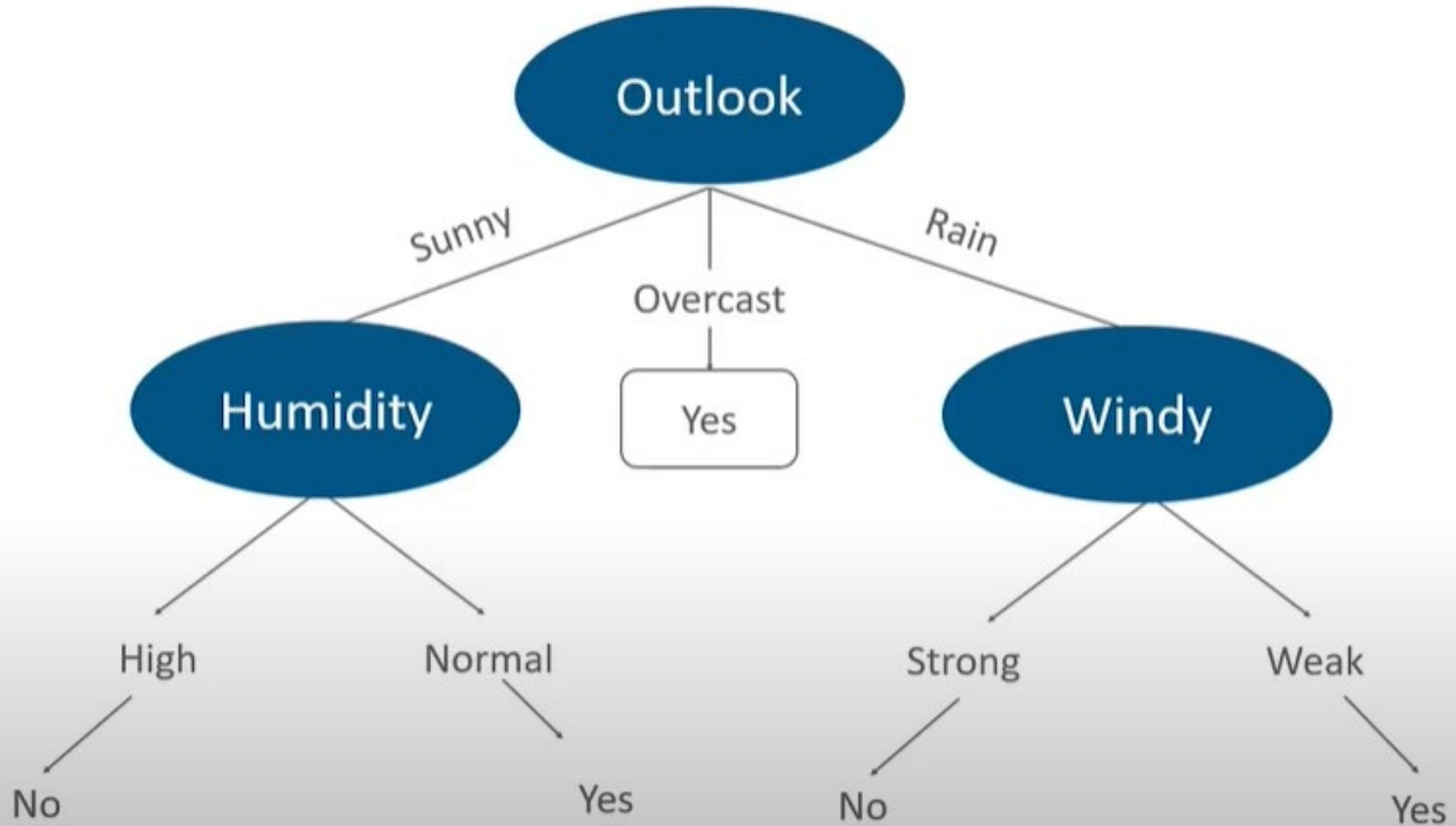
Outlook = overcast
Contains only yes



You need to
recalculate things

Outlook = overcast
Contains only yes

This Is How Your Complete Tree Will Look Like



What Should I Do To Play - Pruning

Cutting down the nodes to get optimal solution

Pruning refers to a technique used in machine learning to reduce the size and complexity of a neural network by removing unnecessary or redundant parts of the network. The goal of pruning is to simplify the network architecture while maintaining or improving its performance.

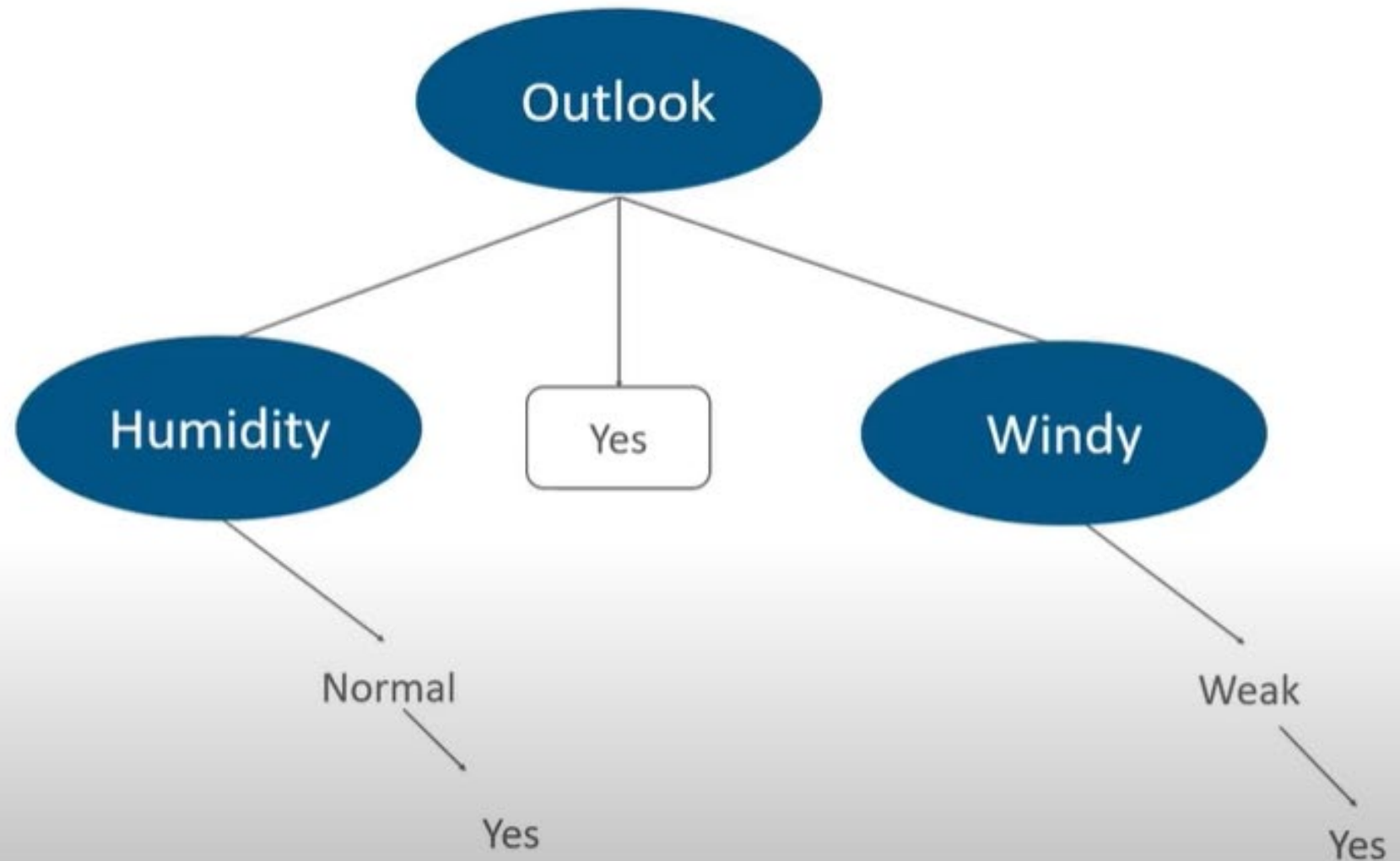
Pruning can be performed in different ways, such as:

- 1.Weight pruning:** This involves removing the weights in the neural network that have the smallest magnitude, as these weights have the least impact on the network's output.
- 2.Neuron pruning:** This involves removing entire neurons from the network that are deemed unnecessary or redundant.
- 3.Filter pruning:** This involves removing filters from the convolutional layers of a neural network that are not contributing significantly to the network's performance.

Pruning can be performed during the training phase of a neural network or after the network has been trained. When done correctly, pruning can significantly reduce the size of a neural network, making it more efficient in terms of memory and computation requirements, while maintaining or improving its accuracy and performance.



Pruning: Reducing The Complexity



Are Tree based model better than Linear model

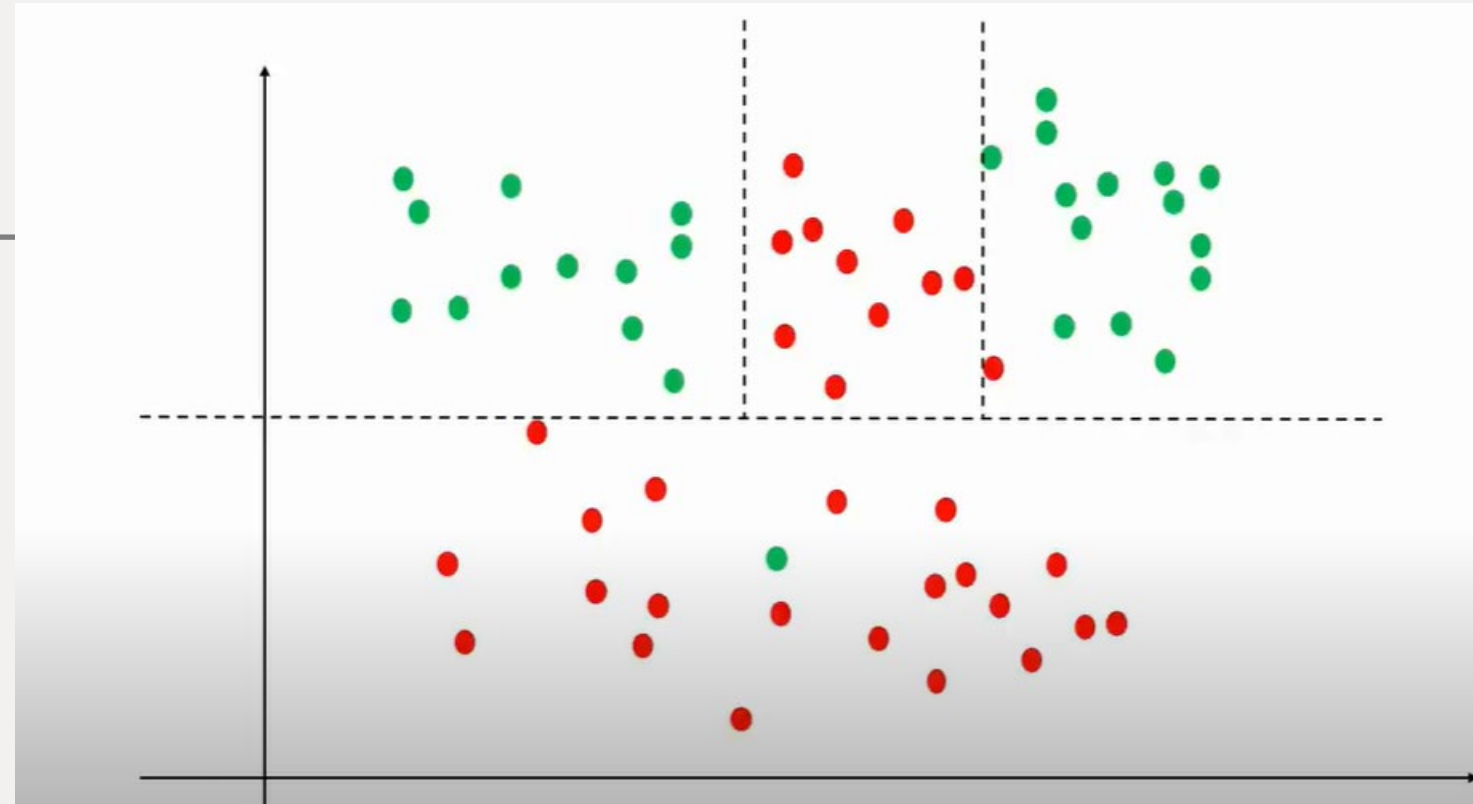
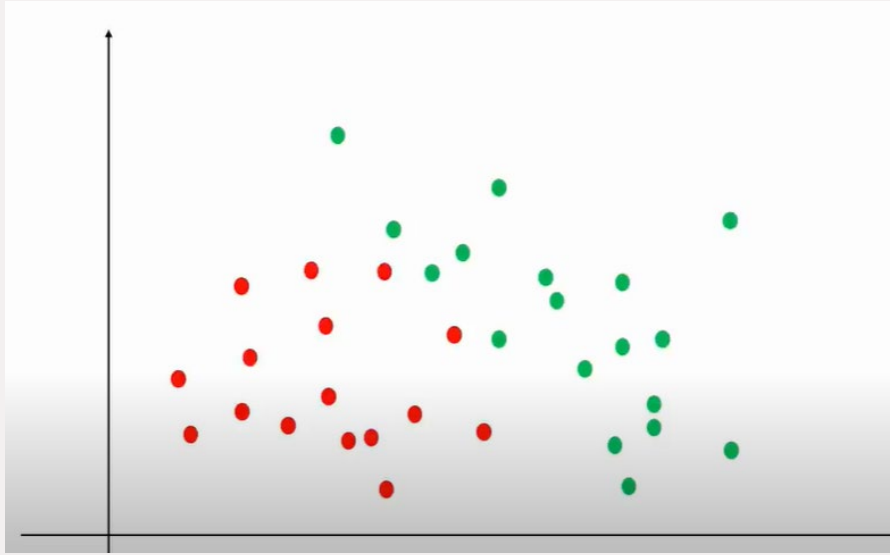
There is no clear-cut answer to whether tree-based models are better than linear models, as it depends on the specific problem and dataset being analyzed. Both types of models have their strengths and weaknesses, and the choice of model ultimately depends on the nature of the problem and the data available.

Tree-based models, such as decision trees, random forests, and gradient boosting machines, are powerful because they can model complex, non-linear relationships between variables and are often able to capture interactions and feature importance. They also handle categorical variables well and can work with both numerical and categorical data. However, they can be prone to overfitting if not properly tuned and can become complex and difficult to interpret.

Linear models, on the other hand, are simpler and easier to interpret than tree-based models. They work well when there is a linear relationship between the dependent variable and the independent variables, and can handle large datasets with high dimensional feature spaces. However, they may not capture non-linear relationships between variables as well as tree-based models and may require more feature engineering to capture interactions between variables.

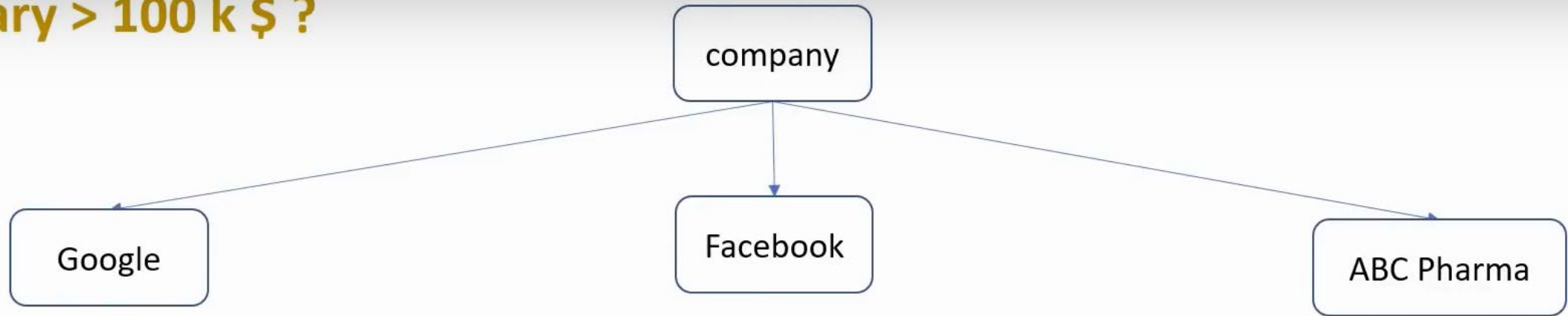
In practice, it's common to try multiple models on a dataset and compare their performance using metrics such as accuracy, precision, recall, F1 score, or mean squared error (MSE). Depending on the dataset and the problem, either tree-based or linear models may perform better. It's also worth noting that hybrid models that combine both linear and tree-based models, such as generalized linear models with decision trees or random forests, can also be effective in certain situations.

CART



Company	Job	Degree	Salary_more_than_100k
google	sales executive	bachelors	0
google	sales executive	masters	0
google	business manager	bachelors	1
google	business manager	masters	1
google	computer programmer	bachelors	0
google	computer programmer	masters	1
abc pharma	sales executive	masters	0
abc pharma	computer programmer	bachelors	0
abc pharma	business manager	bachelors	0
abc pharma	business manager	masters	1
facebook	sales executive	bachelors	1
facebook	sales executive	masters	1
facebook	business manager	bachelors	1
facebook	business manager	masters	1
facebook	computer programmer	bachelors	1

Salary > 100 k \$?



google	sales executive	bachelors
google	sales executive	masters
google	business manager	bachelors
google	business manager	masters
google	computer programmer	bachelors
google	computer programmer	masters

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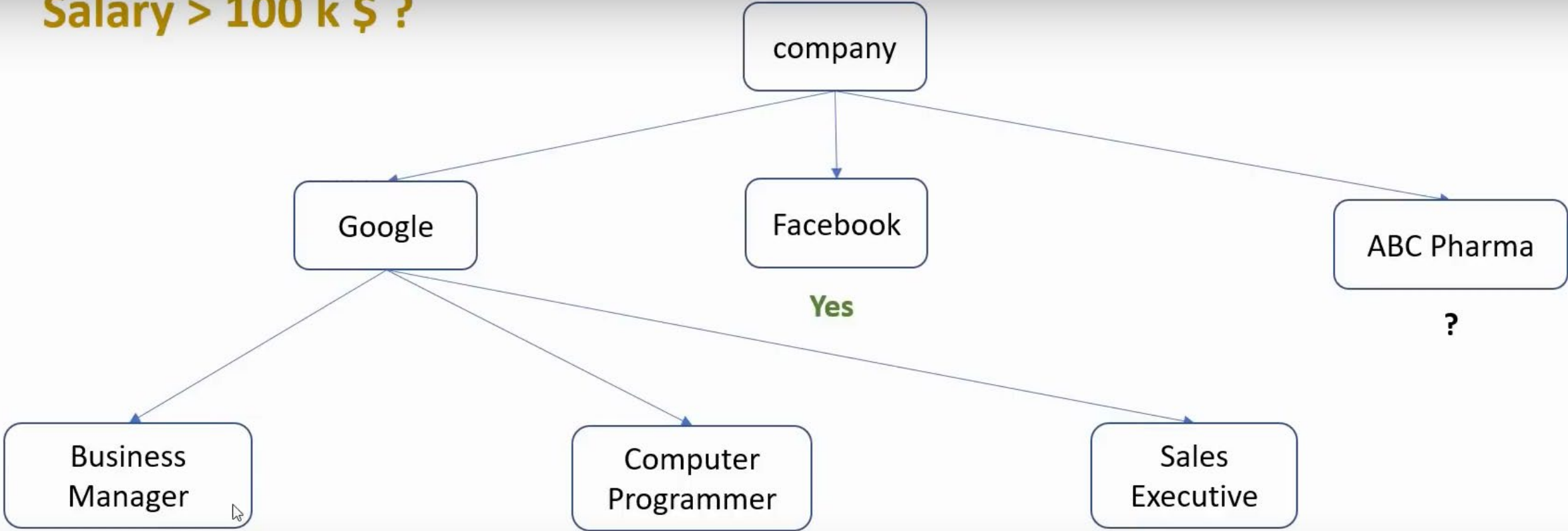
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facebook	sales executive	masters
facebook	business manager	bachelors
facebook	business manager	masters
facebook	computer programmer	bachelors
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Yes

abc pharma	sales executive	masters
abc pharma	computer programmer	bachelors
abc pharma	business manager	bachelors
abc pharma	business manager	masters

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Salary > 100 k \$?



google	business manager	bachelors
google	business manager	masters

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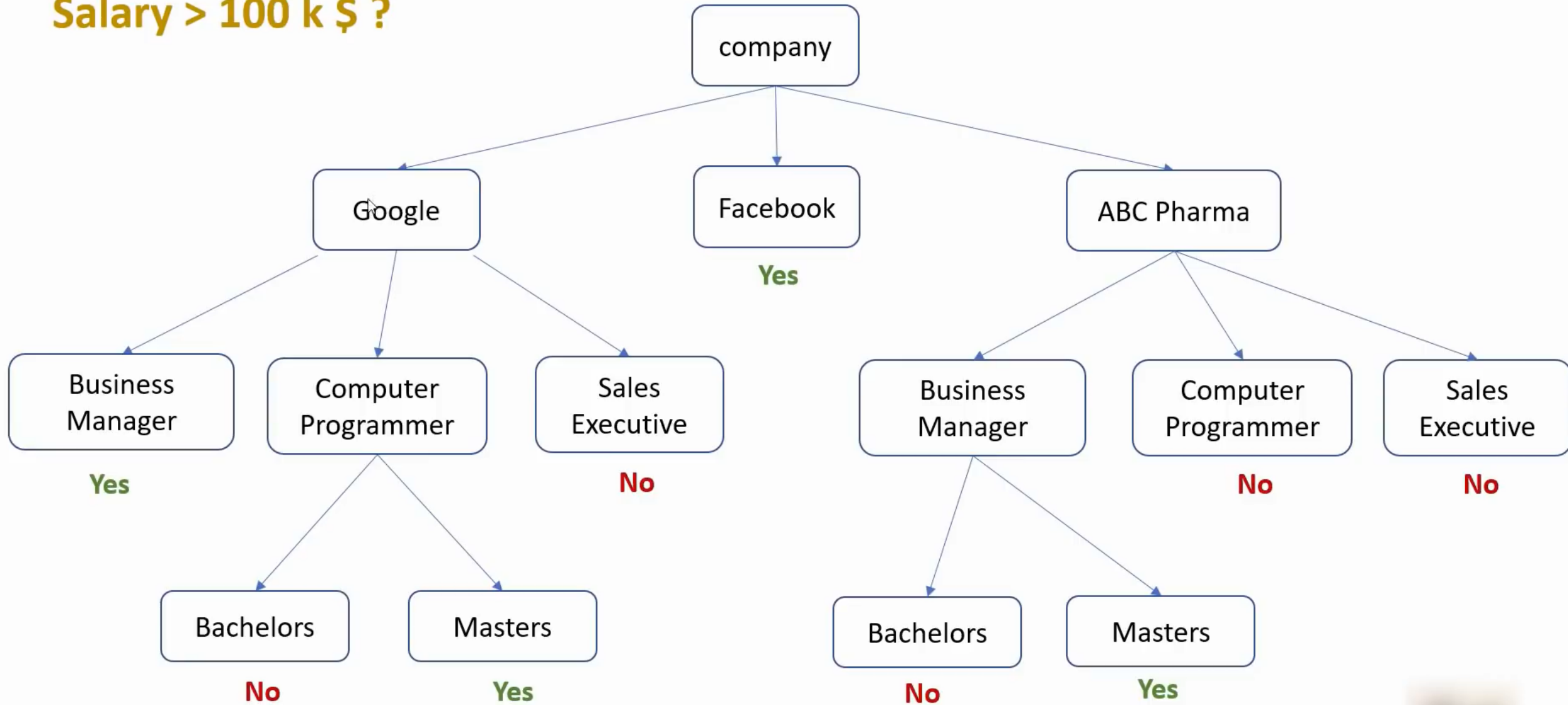
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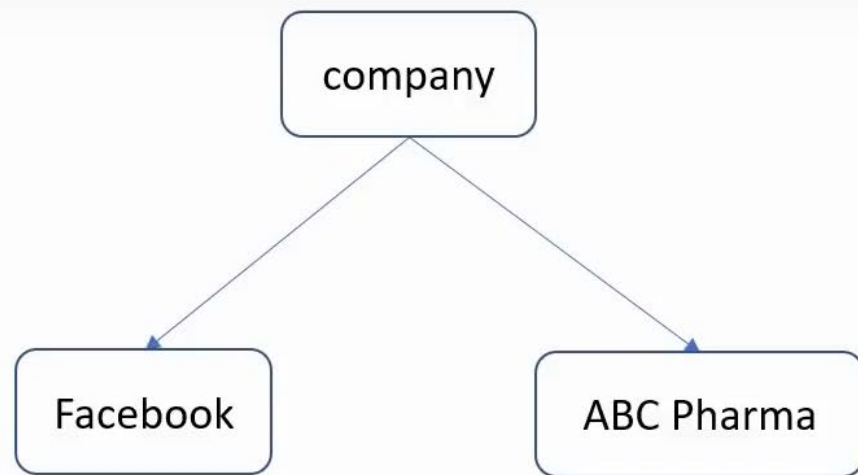
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google	sales executive	bachelors
google	sales executive	masters

No

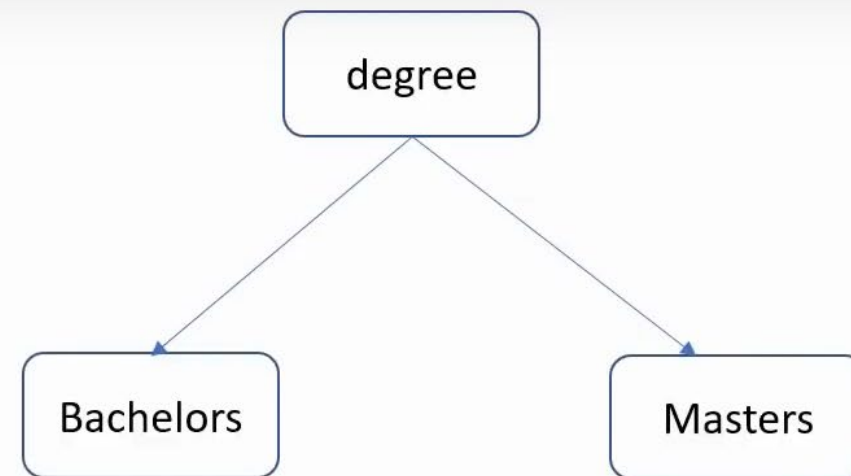
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facebook	business manager	bachelors
facebook	computer programmer	bachelors

google	sales executive	masters
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abc pharma	sales executive	masters
abc pharma	business manager	masters
facebook	sales executive	masters
facebook	business manager	masters
facebook	computer programmer	masters

company

Facebook

ABC Pharma

facebook	sales executive	bachelors
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6 / 0 (low entropy)

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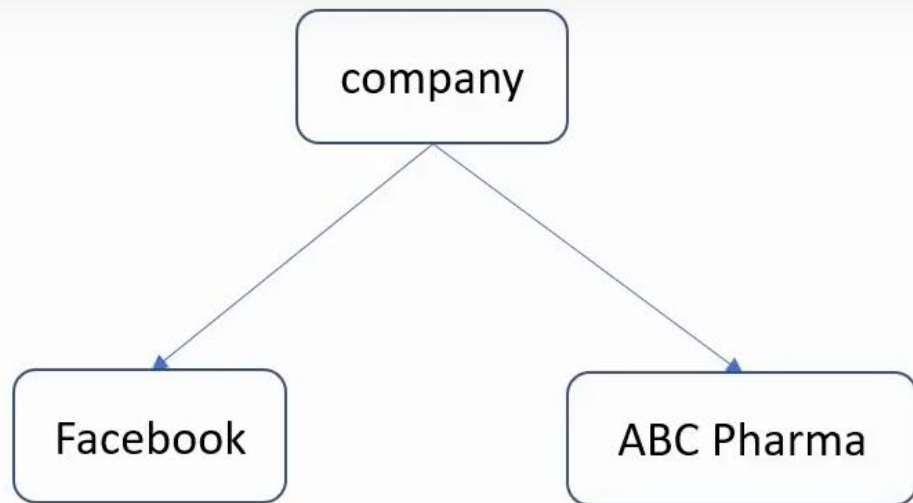
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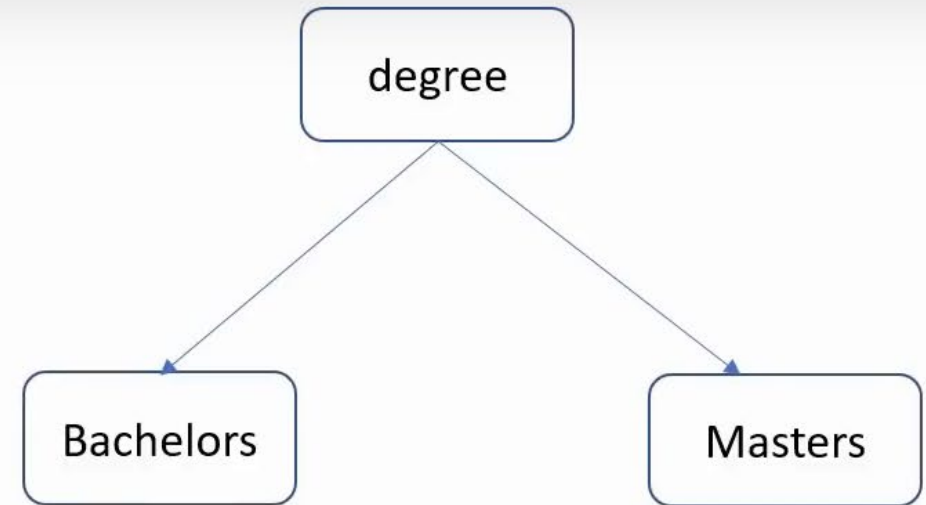
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