

## Bagging, Random Forests:

Bagging, random forests, and boosting use trees as building blocks to construct more powerful prediction models.

**Bootstrap or bagging**, is a general-purpose procedure for reducing the bagging variance of a statistical learning method; we introduce it here because it is particularly useful and frequently used in the context of decision trees.

Hence a natural way to reduce the variance and hence increase the prediction accuracy of a statistical learning method is to take many training sets from the population, build a separate prediction model using each training set, and average the resulting predictions.

**Random Forests**: This method is exclusive for Decision trees only.

- ★ Take any 5 variables and identify the minimum classification Error and consider it is Root node and start up building the decision tree.
- ★ Again take any another 5 variables randomly with replacement and build the decision tree.
- ★ Now, these decision trees to be connected one by one.
- ★ Like that the process is repeated untill all the observations are exhausted. Such that we need to build one Lakh trees.
- ★ If we want to predict for particular observation we are going to predict one lakh Predicted values from one lakh decision trees and calculated the average of all those.
- ★ If it is the case of classification kind of problem, it will consider the number of votes which is predicted more.

So, this total process is called **Random Forests**.

So, whenever we are combining the different kinds of outputs and taking the average/No of votes and takes the decision is called "**Ensembling methods**"