

# Data Science and Artificial Intelligence

## Machine Learning



Decision Tree

Lecture No. 2



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# Recap of Previous Lecture



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Entropy

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GI Index

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Info. Gain

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# Topics to be Covered



Topic

Entropy vs GFI

Topic

Variance

Topic

Pruning Stopping Criteria in DT

Topic

Topic





Hold the vision,  
Trust the process.

-author unknown



Your Beautiful Life



## Gini Impurity Index and Entropy

↓  
Probab of  
misclassification  
 $\Rightarrow 1 - \sum_{i=1}^c p_i^2$

$$\left\{ \downarrow_c \sum_{i=1}^c p_i \log_2 \frac{1}{p_i} \right\}$$



## Information gain

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \text{Impurity}^{\text{Parent}} - \underbrace{\text{Impurity}^{\text{Child}}} \right\}$$

⇓  
with help of weighted avg.





## Entropy Vs Gini Index

- 2 Class Case

Class 1 %  $P$

Class 2 %  $1-P$

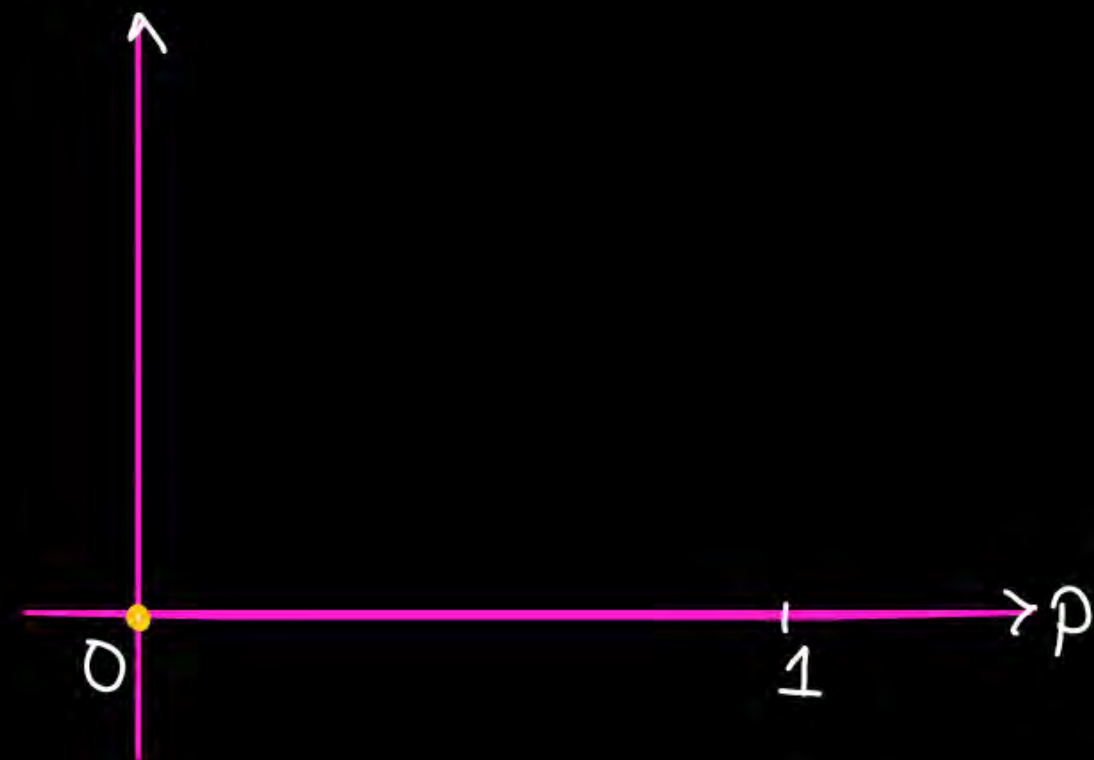
$$\text{Entropy} \Rightarrow \left\{ P \log_2 \frac{1}{P} + (1-P) \log_2 \frac{1}{1-P} \right\}$$

$$\text{Gini} \Rightarrow 1 - (P)^2 - (1-P)^2$$

- @  $P=0$  Entropy = 0

- @  $P=0$  Gini = 0

- @  $P=1$  Entropy = 0  
Gini = 0



@  $P = 0.5$

$$\text{Entropy} \Rightarrow .5 \log_2 \frac{1}{.5} + .5 \log_2 \frac{1}{.5}$$

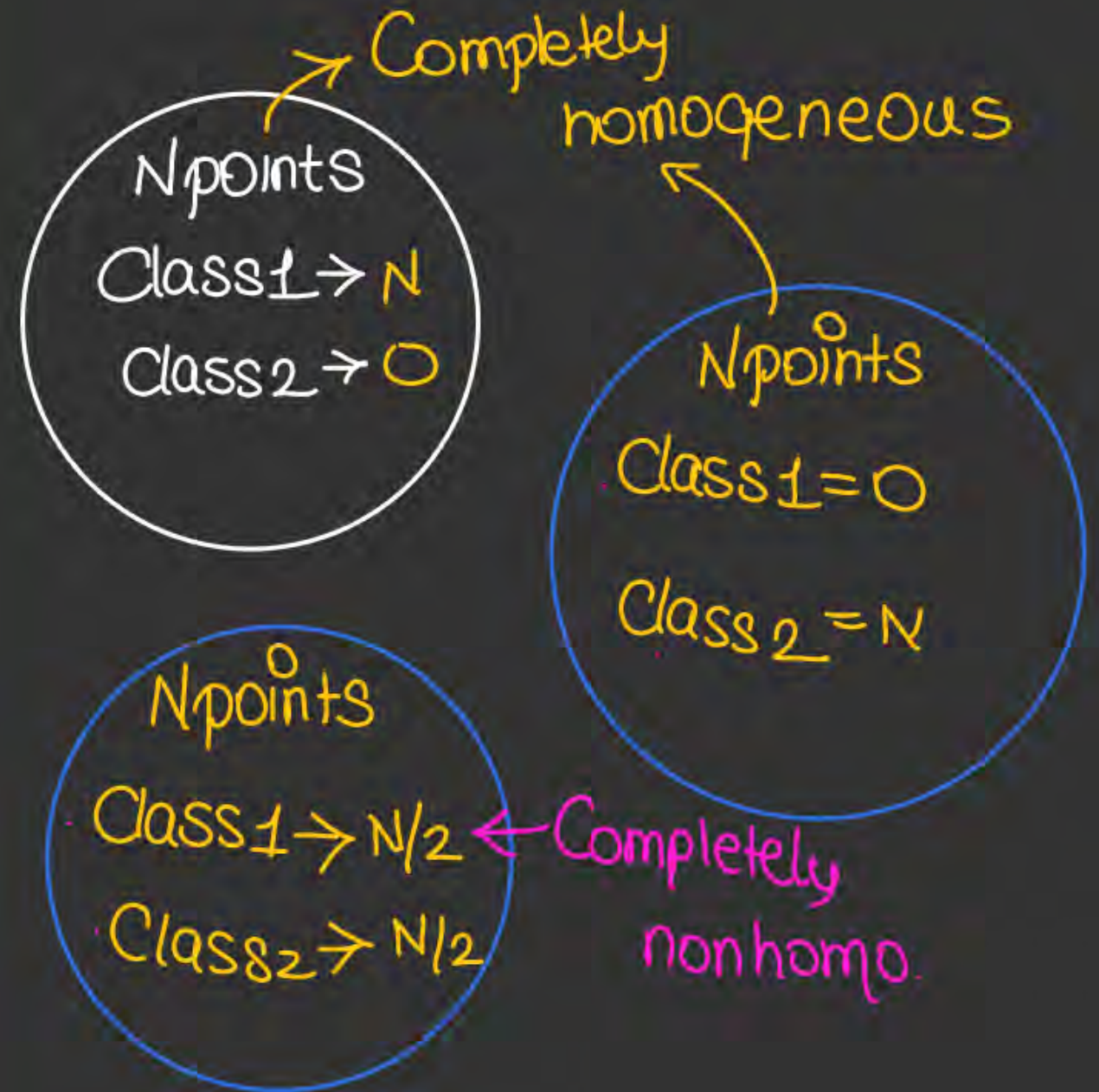
$$\Rightarrow .5 \log_2 2 + .5 \log_2 2$$

$$\Rightarrow .5 + .5 = 1.0$$

$$G_{II} \Rightarrow 1 - (.5)^2 - (.5)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$







3 class data

N points

Most non homogeneous

$$P_1 = 1/3$$

$$P_2 = 1/3$$

$$P_3 = 1/3$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Entropy} &= \frac{1}{3} \log_2 3 + \frac{1}{3} \log_2 3 + \frac{1}{3} \log_2 3 \\ &= \log_2 3 \rightarrow 1.58\end{aligned}$$

$$GI = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^3 (P_i)^2$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{9} \times 3$$

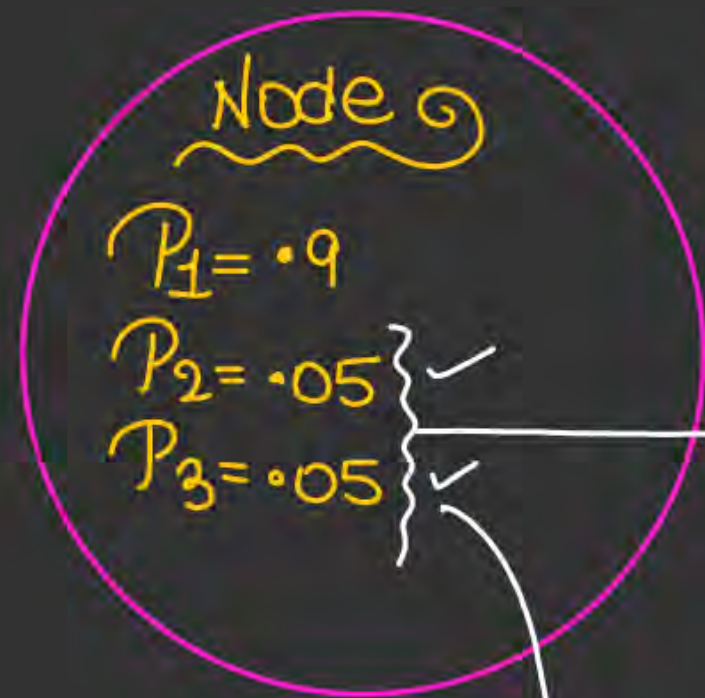
$$= 1 - 1/3$$

$$GI \Rightarrow 2/3 = \underline{0.66}$$

• Entropy  $\rightarrow$   
0 to  $\log_2$  No of class

• GI (0 to 1)





$$GI = 1 - (0.9)^2 - (0.05)^2 - (0.05)^2 = 1 - 0.81 - 0.0025 - 0.0025$$

- So the classes of v. low Probability actually do not effect the GI

→ Entropy  $\Rightarrow 0.9 \log_2 \frac{1}{0.9} + 0.05 \log_2 \frac{1}{0.05} + 0.05 \log_2 \frac{1}{0.05}$

$\Rightarrow 0.47 + 0.216 + 0.216$

→ So Generally GINI is used

- GINI take very less Computation

- Entropy is Computationally extensive

But

Entropy give importance to low probabilities also

So it is better to use Entropy in case of Imbalanced data

505 Points

$$P_1 = \frac{500}{505}$$

$$P_2 = \frac{5}{505}$$

$$\rightarrow GINI = 0.0196$$

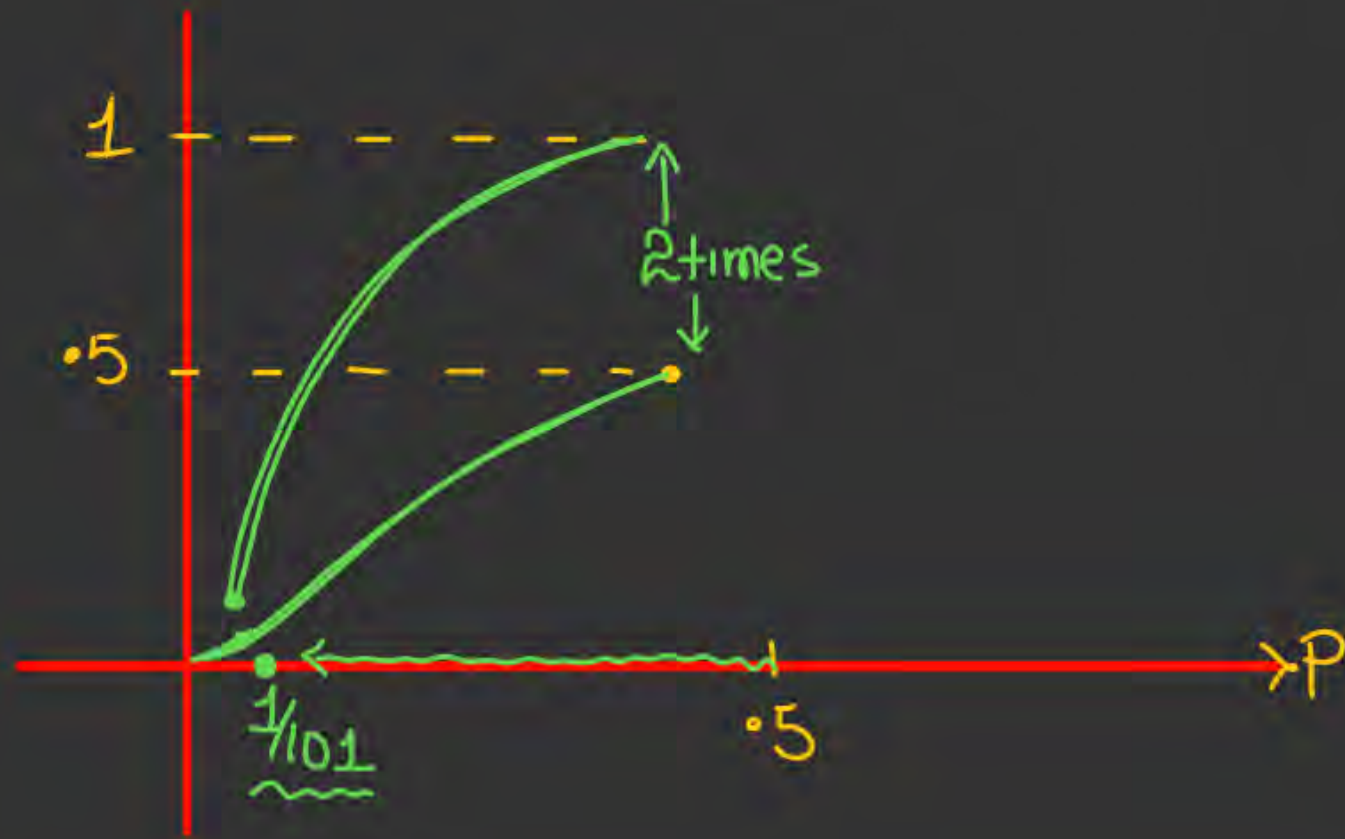
$$E = 0.0801$$

Class1=1000  
Class2=50

505 Point  
Class1=500  
Class2=5

Class1=500  
Class2=45





- Why Entropy is Sensitive to No of classes  
Because max value of Entropy =  $\log_2 C$



## Entropy Vs Gini Index

Gini

It is the probability of misclassifying a randomly chosen element in a set.

The range of the Gini index is  $[0, 1]$ , where 0 indicates perfect purity and 1 indicates maximum impurity.

Gini index is a linear measure.

It can be interpreted as the expected error rate in a classifier.

It is sensitive to the distribution of classes in a set.

Entropy

While entropy measures the amount of uncertainty or randomness in a set.

The range of entropy is  $[0, \log(c)]$ , where  $c$  is the number of classes.

Entropy is a logarithmic measure.

It can be interpreted as the average amount of information needed to specify the class of an instance.

It is sensitive to the number of classes.





## How to select the attribute for splitting ?

### Entropy Vs Gini Index

It is less robust than entropy.

It is more robust than Gini index.

✓ It is sensitive.

✓ It is comparatively less sensitive.

Formula for the Gini index is  $Gini(P) = 1 - \sum (P_x)^2$ ,  
where  $P_i$  is  
the proportion of the instances of class  $x$  in a set.

Formula for entropy is  $Entropy(P) = -\sum (P_x) \log(P_x)$ ,  
where  $p_i$  is the proportion of the instances of class  $x$  in  
a set.

$G \propto P$  falls quickly as compared to Entropy on change of  $P$ .

→ (more sensitive)  
to  $P$

↓ (less sensitive)  
to  $P$





# Decision Tree



## Decision tree with numerical variables

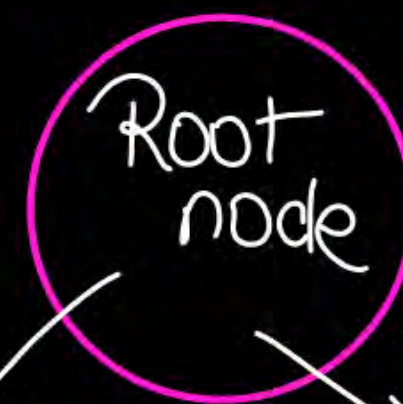
Predictor  $x$

15	Y
20	N
33	N
22	N
25	N
18	N
19	N
30	Y
40	Y

dimensions  $\Rightarrow$  Categorical ✓  
 $\rightarrow$  So if dimension is numerical  
then all values have to be checked  
as threshold

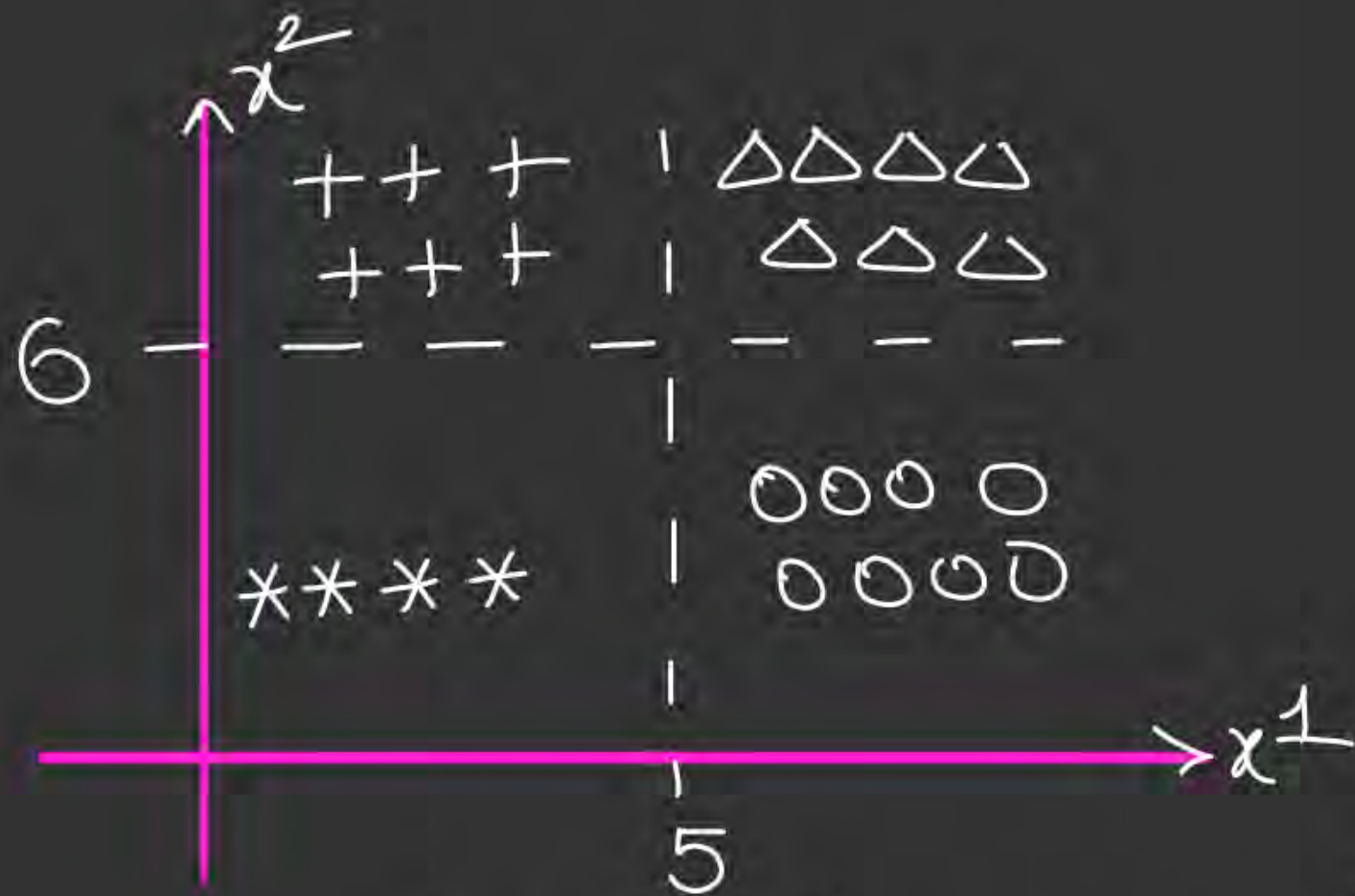
\* we have to check  
for all

$x \geq 15$

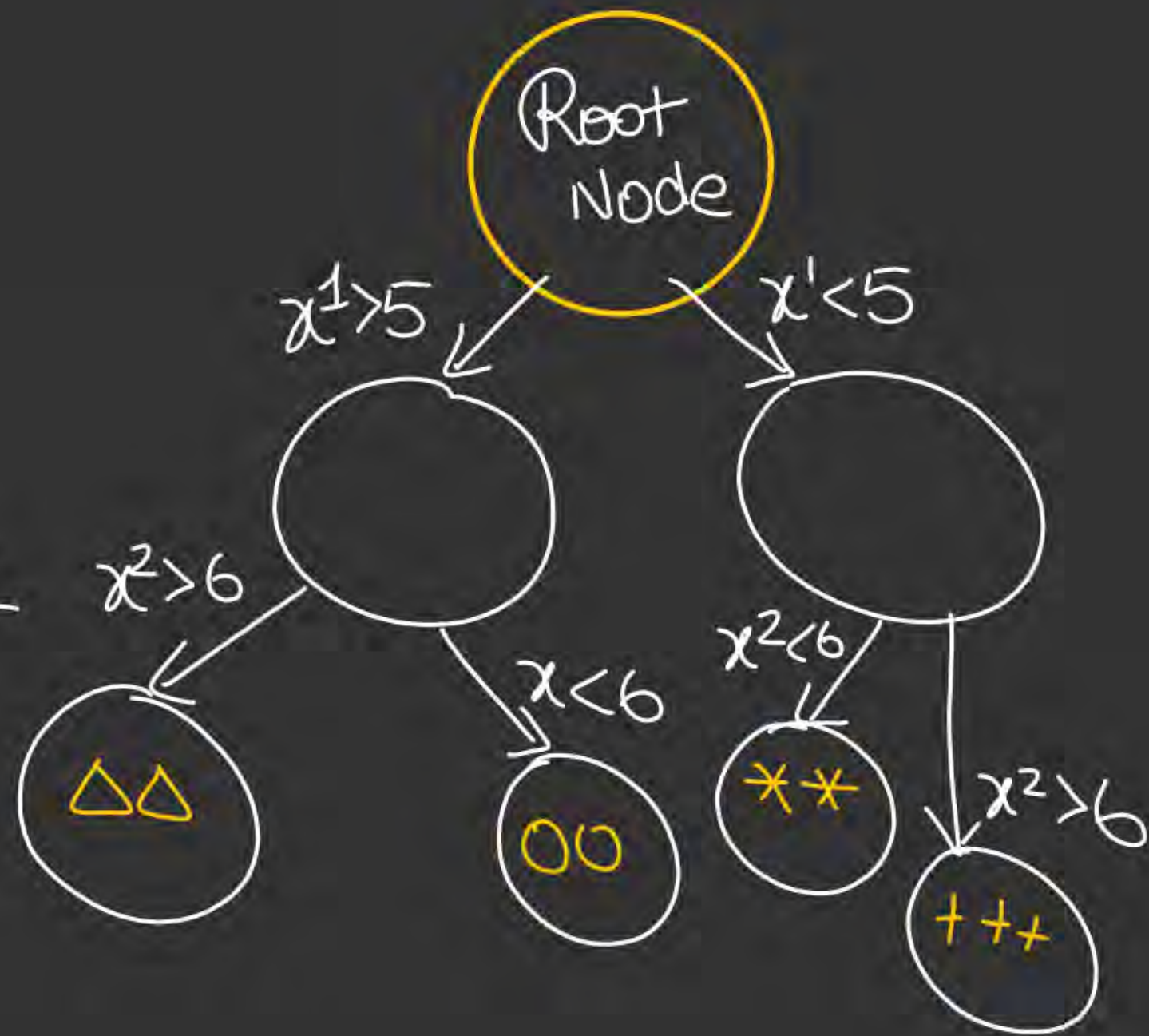


$x \leq 15$

$\rightarrow$  Very Complex.

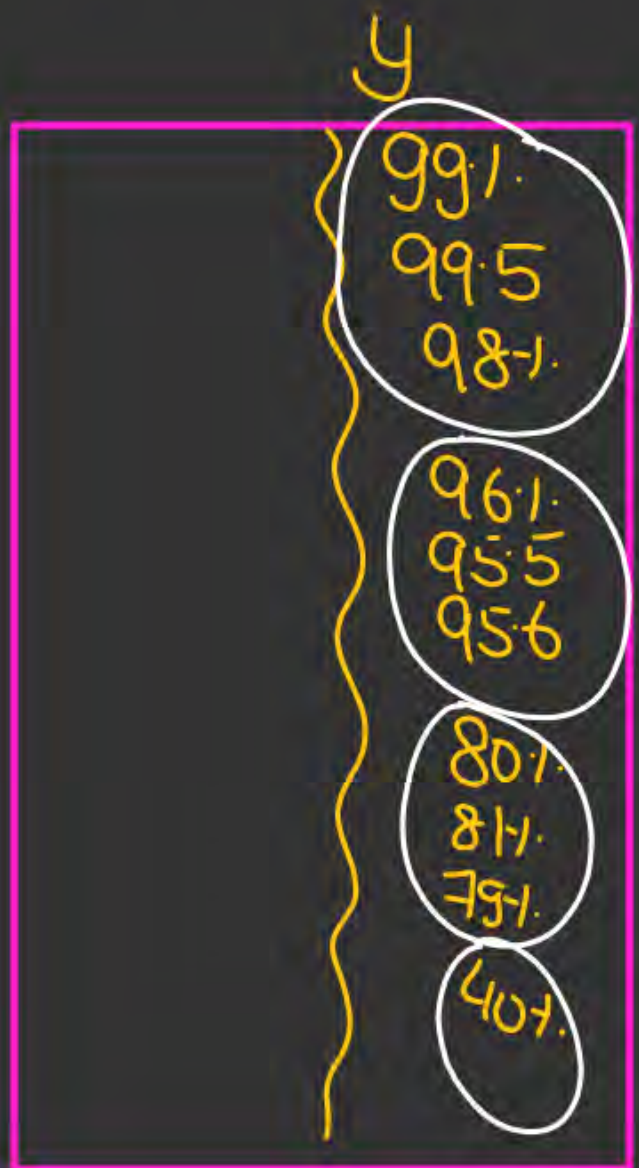


Cont. Predictions





# Regression



in decision tree Splitting/grouping

target  $\Rightarrow$  Homogeneous nodes

- In Regression Case the homogeneous points are those which have Y values close to each other.
- Variance in Y is small.

# Regression

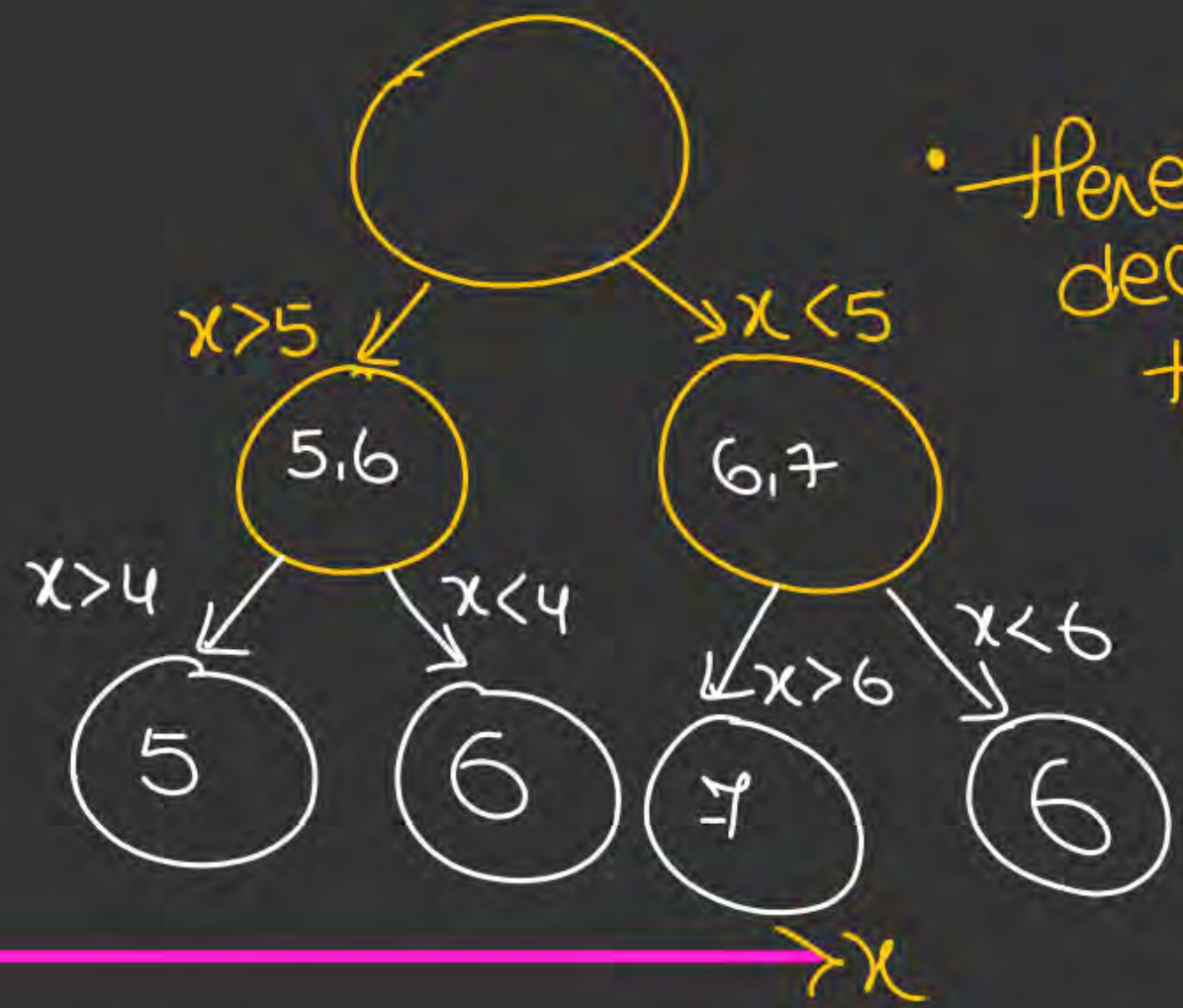
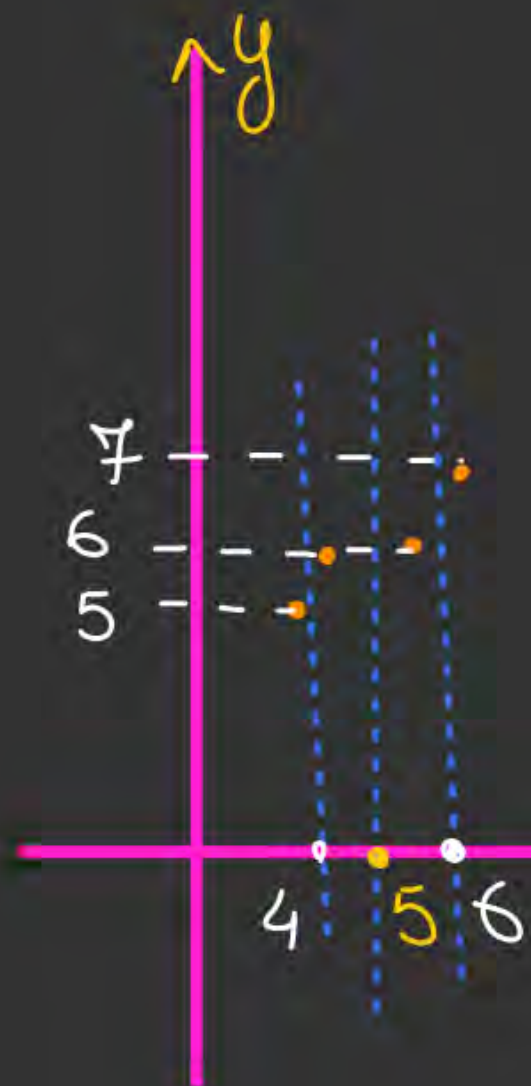
→ we measure Impurity of a node  $\Rightarrow$  Variance  $\odot$

Node  
has some  
Points  $\Rightarrow$  each  
Point has  
Y value

$$\Rightarrow \text{Variance} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - \bar{y})^2}{\text{No of points}}$$

$$I_G = (\text{Variance}^P - \text{Variance}^C)$$





• Here decision tree is overfitting

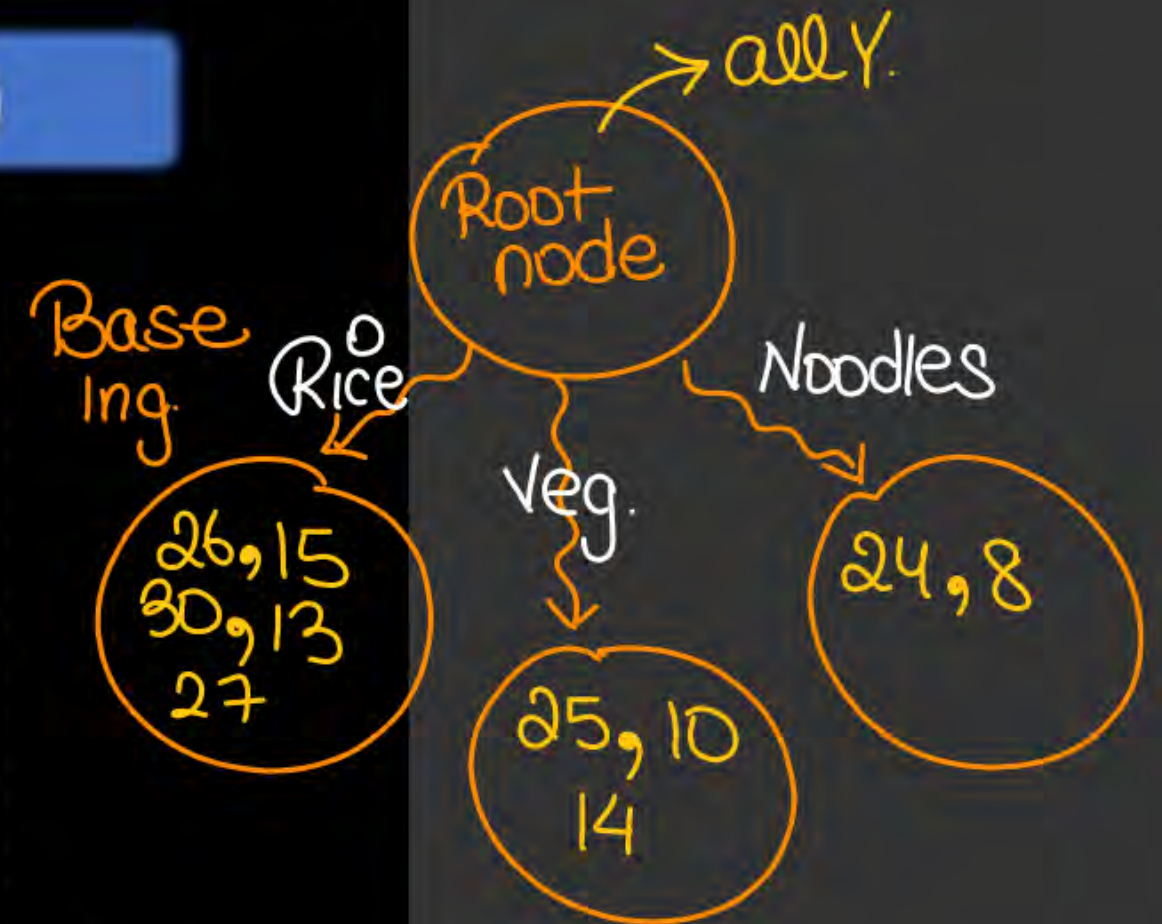
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## Decision Tree

### Variance as measure of impurity (Regression case)

Type of Cuisine	Chilies	Cooked for Kids	Base Ingredient	Quantity of Dish	Quantity of Chili Powder
Indian	0	1	Rice	1300	26 · 1
Indian	✓ 1	1	Rice	800	15 · 2
Chinese	1	0	Vegetables ✓	300	25 · 3
Thai	1	0	Rice	1500	30 · 4
Thai	1	0	Vegetables ✓	980	10 · 5
Chinese	1	1	Noodles ←	1350	24 · 6
Indian	0	1	Rice	500	13 · 7
Indian	1	0	Noodles ←	200	8 · 8
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Thai	1	0	Rice	1250	27 · 10



$$\text{Var}_{\text{Root}} \Rightarrow \bar{y} = 19.2$$
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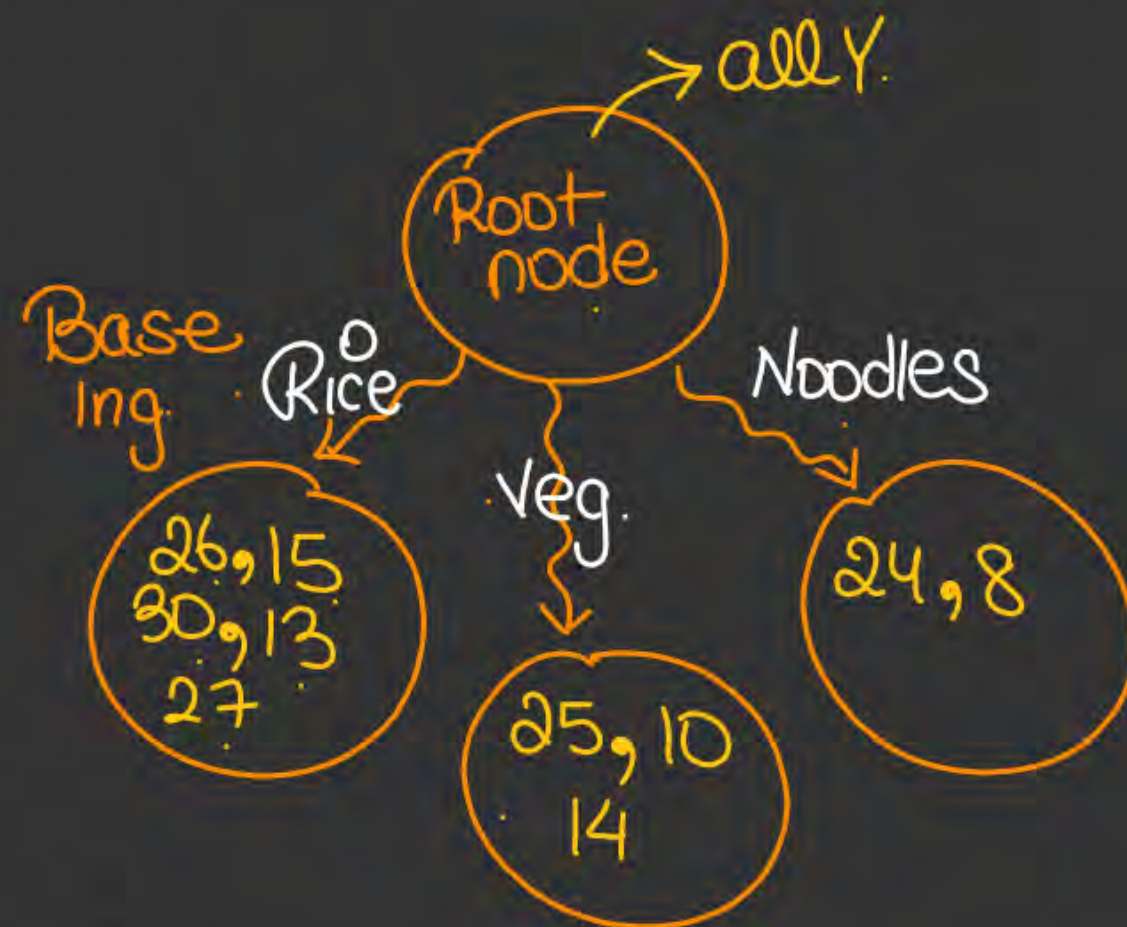


$$\text{Var}_{\text{Rice}} = \sum_{i=1}^5 \left( \frac{y_i - 22.2}{5} \right)^2 = 46.96$$

$$\text{Var}_{\text{veg}} = \sum_{i=1}^3 \left( \frac{y_i - 16.33}{3} \right)^2 = 40.22$$

$$\text{Var}_{\text{Nood}} = \sum_{i=1}^2 \left( \frac{y_i - 16}{2} \right)^2 = 64$$

$$\text{Var}^C = \frac{5 \times 46.96 + 3 \times 40.22 + 2 \times 64}{10} = 48.34$$



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### Variance as measure of impurity (Regression case)

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} IG = 57.36 - 48.346 \\ = 9.014 \end{cases}$$



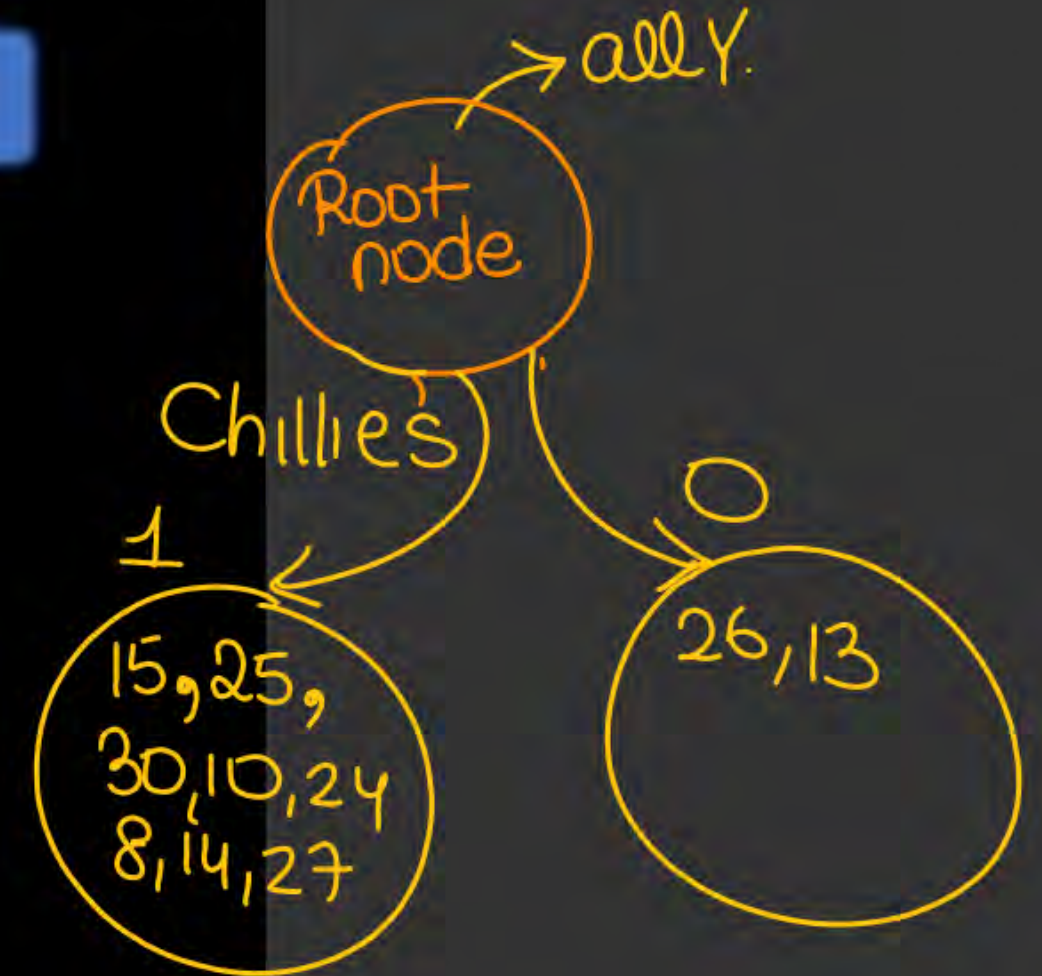


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Root node

→ all Y.

Quantity of dish  
tree will be given

$$\text{median} = 800 + 980 / 2$$

(200 300 450 500 800 980 1250 1300 1350 1500)  
avg



So in Case of numerical dimension  
we arrange dimension into increasing  
order values and take mid value as threshold  
or median



## Decision Tree



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## Decision Tree



### CART - Classification and Regression Tree Algorithms

- Start with complete training dataset : Root Node of Tree
- Calculate Node Impurity.
- Select the feature for split that results in highest information gain (impurity reduction): ASM
- Split and continue the same process for each node until Stopping Criterion is met
- Majority Class Label : Classification
- Mean Value of target class: Regression



## Decision Tree



- **Splitting help in reducing the bias, it add complexity to the model**
- **If we keep on splitting it may lead to overfitting**





## Decision Tree



### Stopping Criteria

Split till we get homogeneous nodes...



### Stopping Criteria

1. Split only when Information Gain  $>$  some threshold
2. Number of nodes in split nodes  $>$  some minimum value
3. A certain threshold on depth of node
4. Some threshold on Node impurity





## Decision Tree



### Stopping Criteria

Why we need some stopping criteria ?



### What is Pruning in Decision Tree

#### Pruning

Remove the branches of the Decision tree

- Removing branches from tree.
- It involves simplifying the tree structure, and in effect **regularizes** the model.

**Pre-Pruning:** this approach involves stopping the tree before it has completed fitting the training set. Pre-Pruning involves setting the model hyperparameters that control how large the tree can grow.

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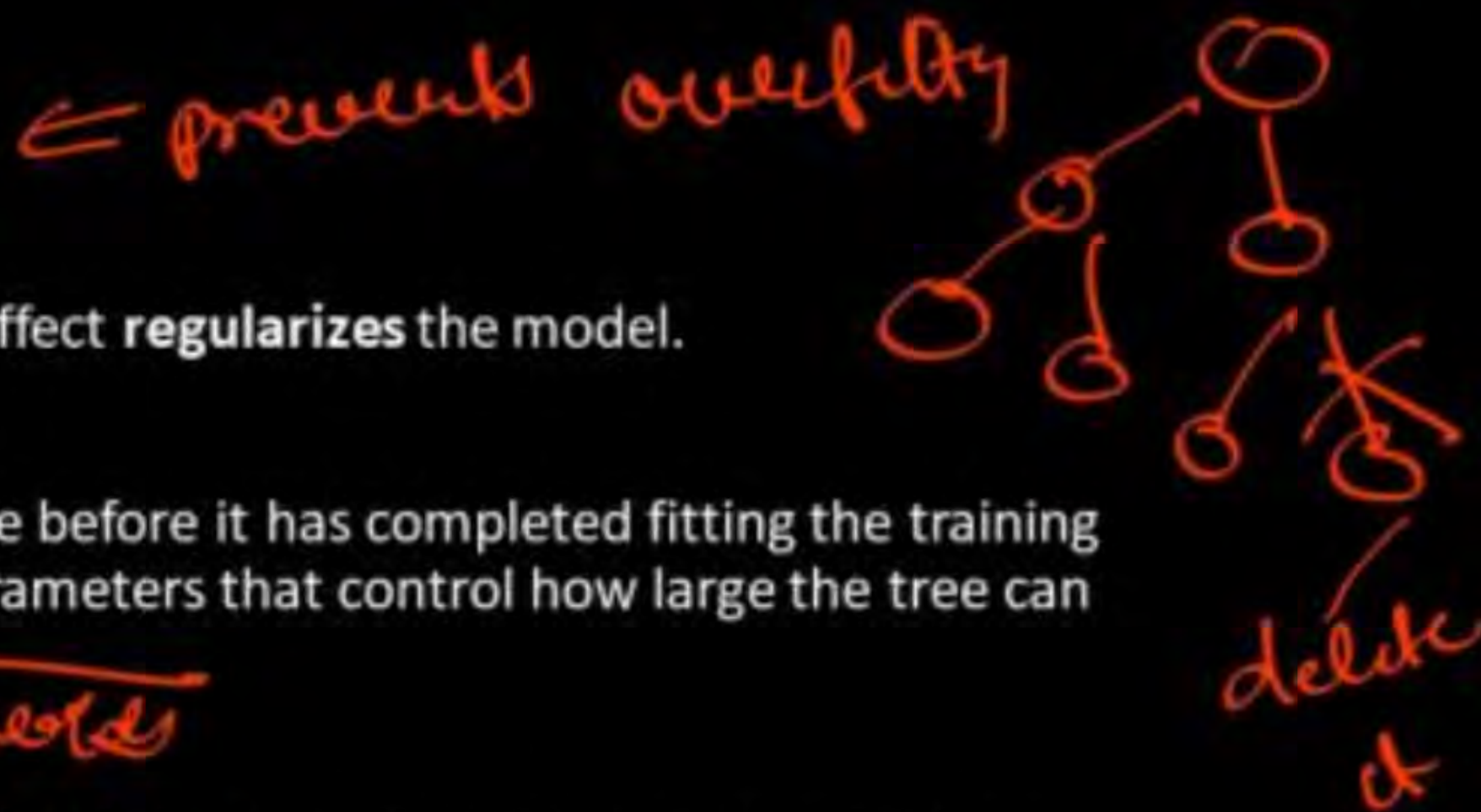
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pre-pruning  $\equiv$  stopping criterion



\* Pre-pruning is simple to implement than post pruning; also it saves the training time

\* But post-pruning is better in terms of building a model because we are exploring all possibilities first & then making a conscious choice to cut some branches

\* post pruning is difficult to implement as it involves heavy computation





## Decision Tree



### What is Pruning in Decision Tree

Which is better Pre or  
Post pruning



### Advantage of decision tree

#### Advantages of Decision Tree

- **Interpretability:** It is simple to understand, interpret and visualize as the idea is mostly used in our daily lives. Output of a Decision Tree can be easily interpreted by humans.
- Used for both Classification and Regression
- Can handle both categorical and continuous variables.
- No Feature Scaling is required
- Handles non-linear parameters efficiently
- can handle missing values.
- Insensitive to Outliers: extreme values or outliers, never cause much reduction in RSS, they are never involved in split.





### Disadvantage of decision tree

- **High computation**
- **The decision tree is non linear and more prone to variance and less bias (Linear algo is has more bias and less variance)**



# Decision Tree



## Advantage of decision tree

### Dis-advantages of Decision Tree

- **Overfitting and High Variance**
- **Unstable:** Adding a new data point can lead to re-generation of the overall tree and all nodes need to be recalculated and recreated.
- Not suitable for large datasets: If data size is large, then one single tree may grow complex and lead to overfitting. **We should try ensemble model here.**

We always have to create new tree if we have new data

Is linear regression also unstable ?





## Decision Tree



### Practise

7. Which of the following statements is not true about Information Gain?
- a) It is the addition in entropy by transforming a dataset
  - b) It is calculated by comparing the entropy of the dataset before and after a transformation
  - c) It is often used in training decision trees
  - d) It is also known as Kullback-Leibler divergence



### Practise

8. Which of the following statements is not true about Information Gain?

- a) It is the amount of information gained about a random variable or signal from observing another random variable
- b) It tells us how important a given attribute of the feature vectors is
- c) It implies how much entropy we removed
- d) Higher Information Gain implies less entropy removed





## Decision Tree



### Practise

9. Given the entropy for a split,  $E_{\text{split}} = 0.39$  and the entropy before the split,  $E_{\text{before}} = 1$ . What is the Information Gain for the split?

- a) 1
- b) 0.39
- c) 0.61
- d) 2.56



## Decision Tree



### Practise

10. Which of the following statements is not an objective of Information Gain?

- a) It tries to determine which attribute in a given set of training feature vectors is most useful for discriminating between the classes to be learned
- b) Decision Trees algorithm will always tries to minimize Information Gain
- c) It is used to decide the ordering of attributes in the nodes of a decision tree
- d) Information Gain of certain event is the discrepancy of the amount of information before someone observes that event and the amount after observation





### Practise

14. Given entropy of parent = 1, weights averages =  $(\frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{4})$  and entropy of children = (0.9, 0). What is the information gain?

- a) 0.675
- b) 0.75
- c) 0.325
- d) 0.1



### Practise

#### Question: 1

Which of the following is a common method for splitting nodes in a decision tree?

- ☐ (A) Gini impurity
- ☐ (B) Cross-validation
- ☐ (C) Gradient descent
- ☐ (D) Principal component analysis





### Practise

#### Question: 2

What is the main disadvantage of decision trees in machine learning?

- ☐ A They are prone to overfitting
- ☐ B They cannot handle categorical variables
- ☐ C They cannot model non-linear relationships
- ☐ D They are computationally expensive



### Practise

#### Question: 3

What is the purpose of pruning in decision trees?

- ☐ A To reduce the depth of the tree and prevent overfitting
- ☐ B To optimize the tree's parameters
- ☐ C To handle missing data
- ☐ D To improve the tree's interpretability





### Practise

#### Question: 4

Which of the following is a popular algorithm for constructing decision trees?

- ☐ (A) ID3
- ☐ (B) k-Nearest Neighbors
- ☐ (C) Support Vector Machines
- ☐ (D) Naive Bayes



### Practise

What is the main difference between classification and regression trees (CART)?

- ☐ A Classification trees predict categorical variables, while regression trees predict continuous variables
- ☐ B Classification trees use Gini impurity as the splitting criterion, while regression trees use information gain
- ☐ C Classification trees can handle missing data, while regression trees cannot
- ☐ D Classification trees are computationally expensive, while regression trees are computationally inexpensive





### Practise

What is the primary purpose of the Random Forest algorithm?

- ☐ A To combine multiple decision trees to improve prediction performance
- ☐ B To optimize the parameters of a single decision tree
- ☐ C To handle missing data in decision trees
- ☐ D To visualize the decision boundaries of a decision tree



### Practise

Which of the following is a popular method for splitting nodes in a regression tree?

- ☐ A Gini impurity
- ☐ B Information gain
- ☐ C Mean squared error
- ☐ D Cross-validation





### Practise

What is entropy in the context of decision trees?

- ☐ A A measure of disorder or impurity in a node
- ☐ B A measure of the complexity of a decision tree
- ☐ C The difference between the predicted and actual values in a node
- ☐ D The rate at which information is gained in a decision tree



### Practise

Which of the following is a common stopping criterion for growing a decision tree?

- ☐ A Reaching a maximum depth
- ☐ B Achieving a minimum information gain
- ☐ C Achieving a minimum Gini impurity
- ☐ D Both A and B





## Decision Tree



### Practise

What is the main disadvantage of using a large maximum depth for a decision tree?

- ☐ A It leads to overfitting
- ☐ B It reduces the interpretability of the tree
- ☐ C It increases the computational complexity of the tree
- ☐ D It causes the tree to underfit the data



### Practise

Which of the following techniques can be used to reduce overfitting in decision trees?

- ☐ A Pruning
- ☐ B Bagging
- ☐ C Boosting
- ☐ D All of the above





### Practise

Which of the following is a disadvantage of using decision trees for regression tasks?

- ☐ (A) Decision trees cannot handle continuous variables
- ☐ (B) Decision trees are prone to overfitting
- ☐ (C) Decision trees are sensitive to small changes in the data
- ☐ (D) Both B and C



## Decision Tree



### Practise

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- ☐ (D) Decision trees are computationally expensive





### Practise

Which of the following is an ensemble learning technique that uses decision trees as base learners?

- ☐ (A) Random Forest
- ☐ (B) k-Nearest Neighbors
- ☐ (C) Support Vector Machines
- ☐ (D) Naive Bayes



### Practise

How can decision trees be made more robust to noise in the data?

- ☐ A By increasing the maximum depth of the tree
- ☐ B By using a smaller minimum samples per leaf
- ☐ C By using ensemble techniques like bagging or boosting
- ☐ D By removing features with low importance





### Practise

In a decision tree, what is the purpose of the leaf nodes?

- ☐ A To represent the class label or value to be predicted
- ☐ B To store the conditions for splitting the data
- ☐ C To indicate the importance of a feature
- ☐ D To represent the depth of the tree



### Practise

What is the primary advantage of using decision trees in machine learning?

- ☐ A They are computationally inexpensive
- ☐ B They are easy to interpret and visualize
- ☐ C They can handle missing data
- ☐ D They have high predictive accuracy



**THANK - YOU**