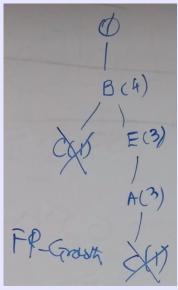
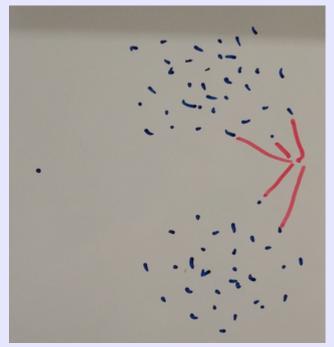


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Lecture 5: Decision Trees (continued),
Interpretation and evaluation
of Decision Trees,
Advanced Decision Trees



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Tree Induction

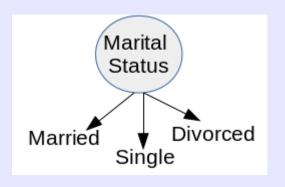
- Now that we know how to construct a Decision Tree ... let's see how to split the records at each level.
- Greedy strategy.
 - Split the records based on an attribute test that optimizes certain criterion.
- Issues
 - How to split the records?
 - Specify attribute test condition
 - How to determine the best split?
 - When to stop splitting.

Tree Induction: Specify attribute test conditions

- Depends on attribute type
 - Binary (simple: 2-way split)
 - Nominal
 - Ordinal
 - Continuous
- Depends on number of ways to split
 - 2-way split
 - N-way split

Tree Induction: Specify attribute test conditions

Nominal attributes



Multi-way split: Use as many partitions as there are distinct values.

Binary split: Divides values in two subsets; need to find optimal partitioning.



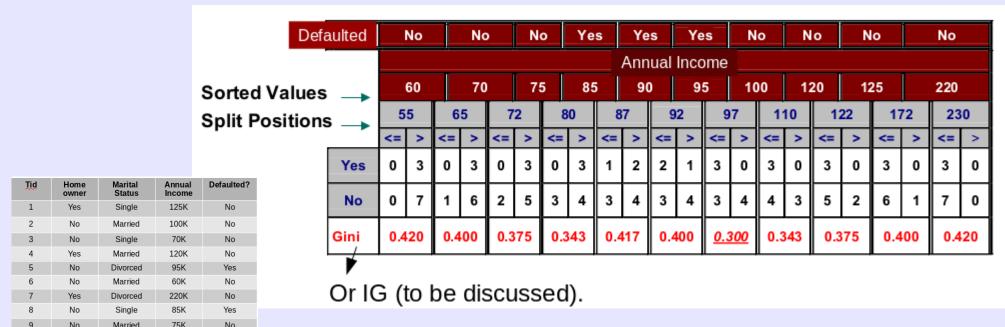
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Continuous attributes

Single

Yes

- Discretize: That is, convert from continuous to binary, or n-ary.
 - How: Step 1: Sort the data
 - Step 2: Split them by specifying n-1 split points and bin them by frequency of response variable.



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- Entropy is defined as: $H(Y) = -\sum_{i=0}^{s-1} P(Y = y_i) \log_2 P(Y = y_i)$ where y_i is the class label.

Example:

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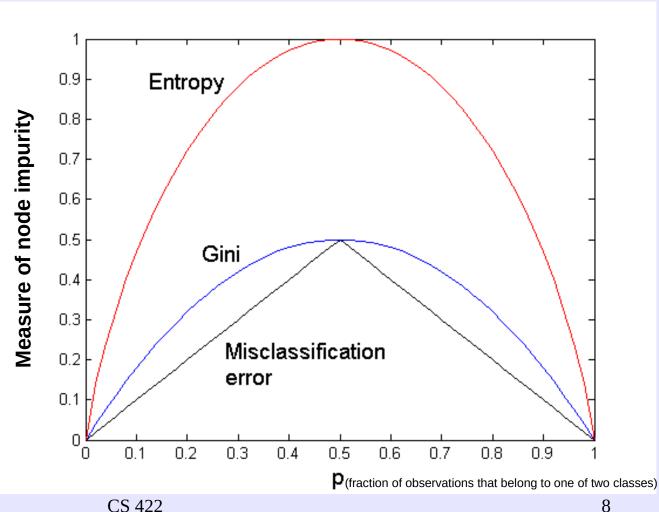
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- In decision tree algorithms, entropy measures purity.
 - Purity is defined as the fraction of observations belonging to a particular class in a node.
 - If all observations belong to the same class, we have a pure node → when we have a pure node, we minimize entropy.

- Measures of node impurity
 - Gini index (used by CART, and rpart)
 - **Entropy**
 - Misclassification error

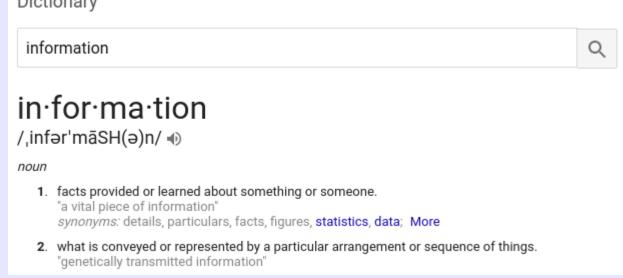
At p = 0.5, maximum impurity when p = 0 or 1, distribution is **pure** (or minimum impurity)



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- Related to entropy is Information.
- Entropy: Amount of uncertainty involved in the value of a random variable, or the measure of disorder in a system.

 Dictionary
- Information is →
- So, informally, information is the opposite of entropy.



 We want to maximize Information, or Information Gain (IG) while minimizing entropy.

- When we split, key question we want to answer is:
 - How much "information" does an attribute give us about the class?
 - Attributes that perfectly partition the observations should give us maximal information (pure partitions).
 - Unrelated attributes should give no (or very little) information.
- So we need to choose the split that maximizes
 Information Gain (IG) while minimizing entropy
 after the split.

Information Gain = Entropy before the split – Entropy after the split.

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Question is: What do we split on now?

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- Marital Status?
- Annual Income?

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-	Yes	3	Yes	0
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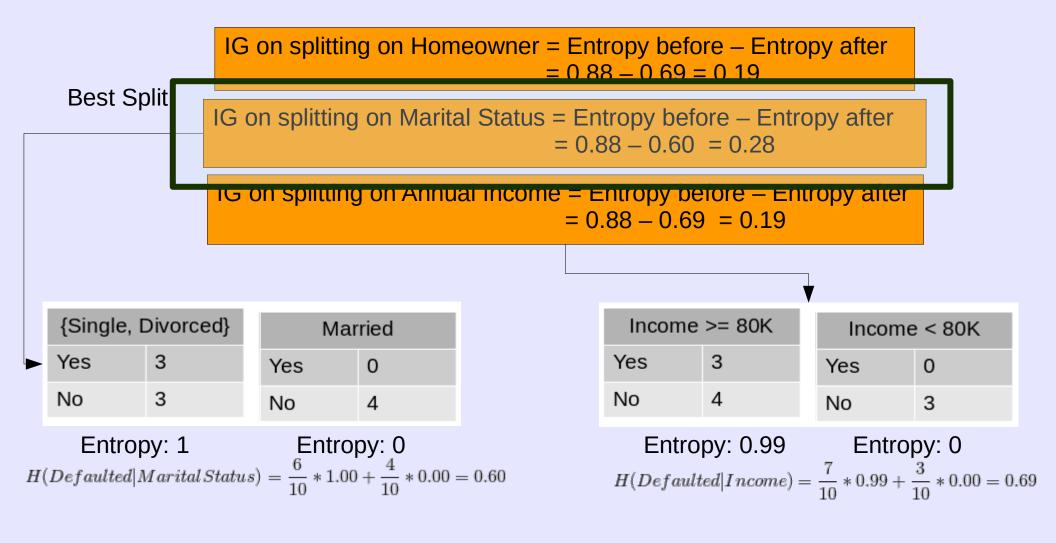
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Income >= 80K		Income < 80K	
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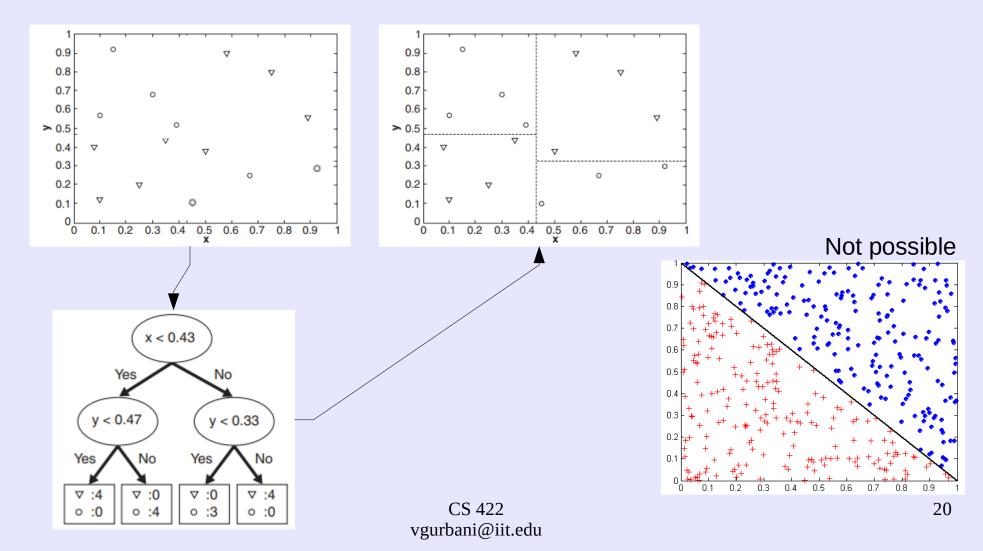


Decision Trees: Characteristics

- Non-parametric approach for classification.
- Finding an optimal decision tree is NPcomplete.
- Building a tree is computationally inexpensive; using it is O(log n), where n is number of nodes in the tree.
- Multicollinearity does not affect accuracy (though it will affect the height).

Decision Trees: Characteristics

Rectilinear decision boundaries.



Model selection

- Remember: model = algorithm + hypothesis
- When we select a model, we evaluate all steps in the procedure:
 - Preparing the training data;
 - Choose a hypothesis set and an algorithm;
 - Tune the algorithm
 - Train the model, fit the model to out of sample data (test set) and evaluate results.

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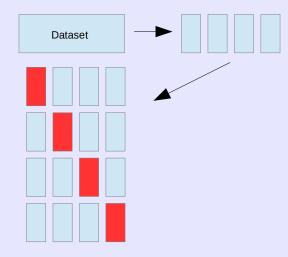
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- Solution: Cross validation --- an approach to systematically create and evaluate multiple models on multiple subsets of the dataset.
- Cross validation approaches:
 - Holdout method.
 - k-fold cross validation.
 - Leave one out cross-validation (LOOC).

k-fold cross validation.

Split data into k chunks, train on k-1 chunks and test on the k^{th} chunk. Do this k times and calculate average error.



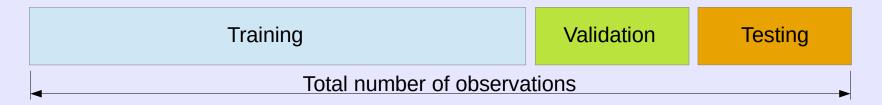
• LOOC: extreme version of k-fold, where k = 1. (1 observation, not chunk!)

for all *i* in {1..*n*}
train model on every point except *i*compute the test error at the held out point *i*average the test errors

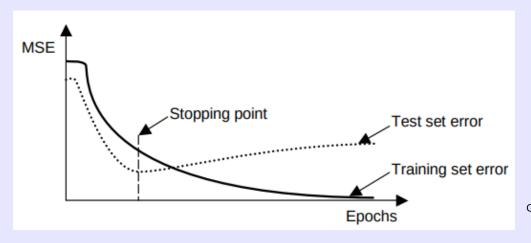
Example:

Training Set				
Train Test				
Train	Test	Train		
Test	Train	Train		

• Use of *k*-fold or LOOC resampling methods more robust if the dataset is split into three parts:



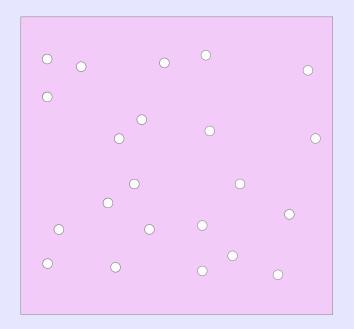
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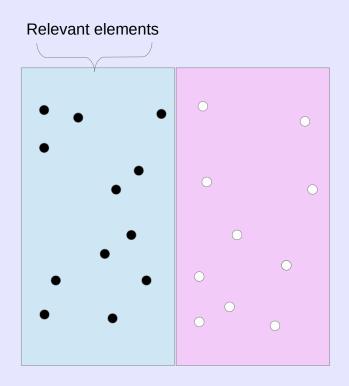
Graphic source: Ricardo Gutierrez-Osuna, Wright State University

- Model = a particular classifier trained on a dataset, or informally, the target function.
- How to evaluate the performance of a model?
 - Confusion matrix: widely used measure.
 - Provides numerous metrics computed from the matrix (TPR, TNR, PPR)
 - Receiver Operating Characteristics (ROC) curve.
 - Characterize the trade-off between positive hits and false alarms
- Other performance metrics exist as well, but these are the most commonly used when evaluating model performance.
- Remember: Focus on the predictive capability of the model, not how long it takes to train (mostly offline), how fast it takes to classify (it shouldn't be too slow, of course).

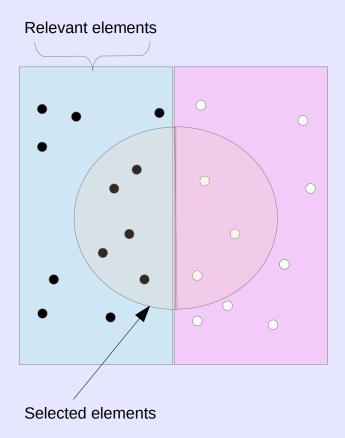
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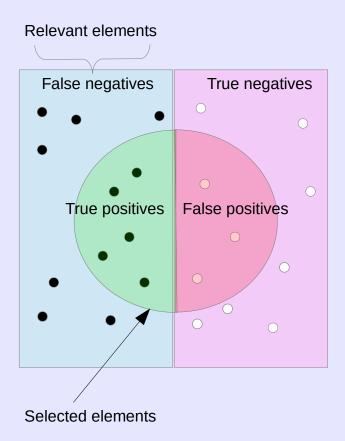
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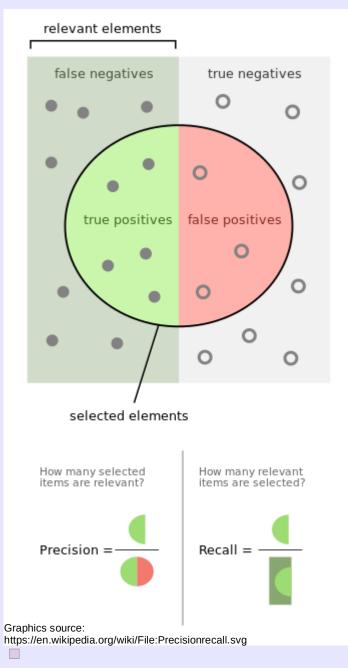
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	PREDICTED CLASS		
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ACTUAL	Class=Yes	a (TP)	b (FN)
CLASS	Class=No	c (FP)	d (TN)

From book; different format but same information as one on right.

Classification accuracy:
$$\frac{(TP+TN)}{(TP+TN+FP+FN)}$$

Error rate:
$$\frac{(FP + FN)}{(TP + TN + FP + FN)}$$



TPR (sensitivity, hit rate, $\overline{TP + FN}$ recall):

How many relevant items are selected

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TNR (specificity):

$$\frac{TN}{TN + FP}$$

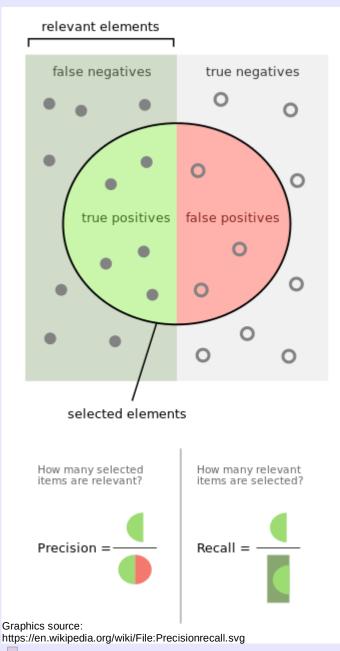
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PPV (precision):

$$\frac{TP}{TP + FP}$$

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$$\mathrm{FNR} = rac{\mathrm{FN}}{\mathrm{P}} = rac{\mathrm{FN}}{\mathrm{FN} + \mathrm{TP}} = 1 - \mathrm{TPR}$$
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In people with confirmed COVID-19, antigen tests correctly identified COVID-19 infection in an average of 72% of people with symptoms. In people who did not have COVID-19, antigen tests correctly ruled out infection in 99.5% of people with symptoms.

(Source: https://www.cochrane.org/CD013705/INFECTN how-accurate-are-rapid-tests-diagnosing-covid-19).

Q. Is this a good test?

TPR =
$$0.72$$
, FNR = $1 - \text{TPR} = 1 - 0.72 = 0.280$
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Consider a spam detector model.

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Accuracy = 125/150 = 83.3%!!
But sensitivity and precision are 0!