



# SCM 651: Business Analytics

Week 8

Business Analytics

# Agenda

- Review of homework #3 (Regression and Optimization)
- Overview of homework #4 (Logit, Probit, Neural networks: info in week 9 videos)
- Review of hands-on exercises
- Group discussion of articles
  - What Businesses Can Learn from Sports Analytics?
  - Team GB: Using Analytics (and Intuition) to Improve Performance

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# Homework #3



GRAPH, REGRESSION,  
CALCULATED SALES,  
REVENUE, PROFIT

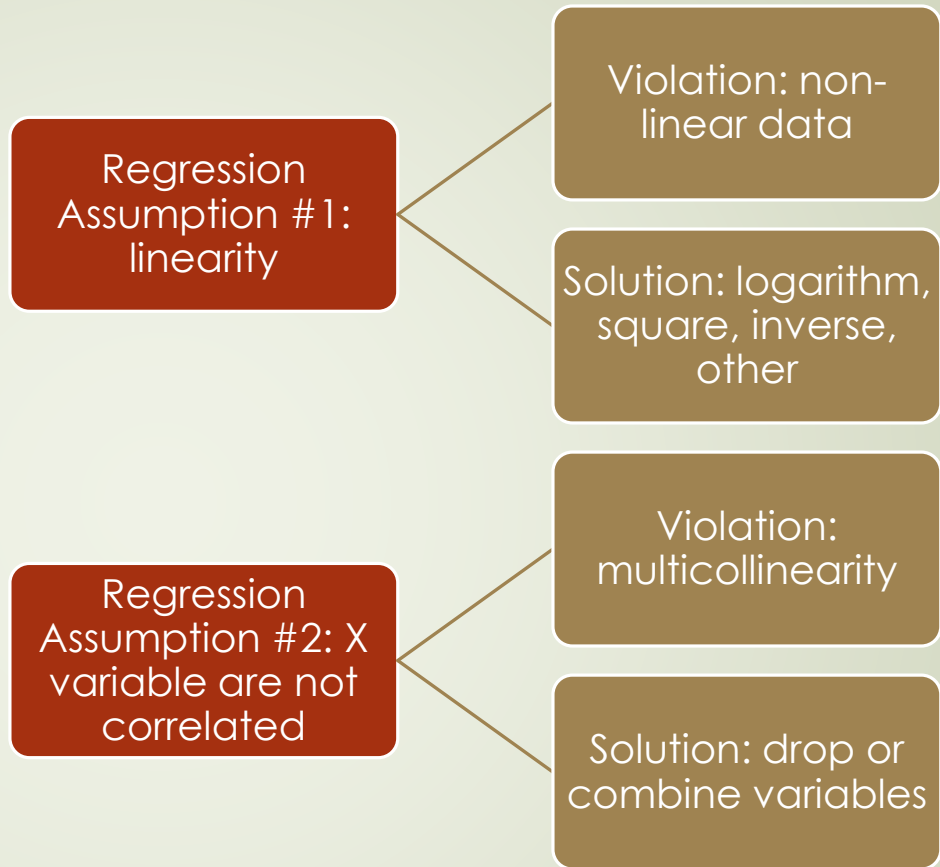


CONSTRAINED  
OPTIMIZATION



DISCUSSION OF RISKS,  
OTHER DATA WHICH  
WOULD BE VALUABLE

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- Regression Assumption #3a: errors are random with constant variance
  - Violation: heteroscedasticity, or wedge shape to error terms in scatterplot
  - Solution: logarithm, square, inverse, or Huber regression
- Regression Assumption #3b: error terms are correlated
  - Violation: serial correlation
  - Solution: rho differencing
- Regression Assumption #3c: outliers
  - Violation: outlier influences slope of line
  - Solution: drop outlier data points

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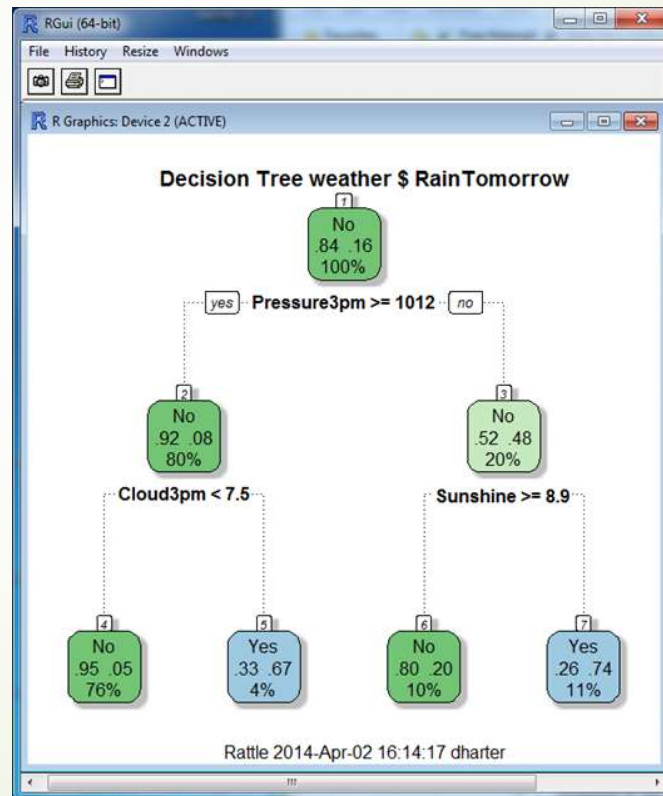
### Benford's law

- Financially reported numbers tend to start with smaller digits

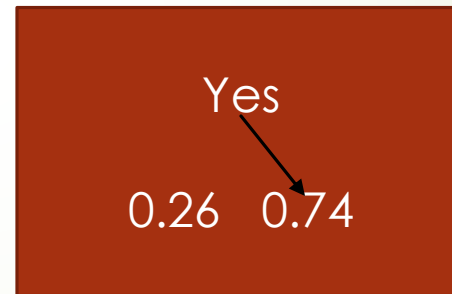
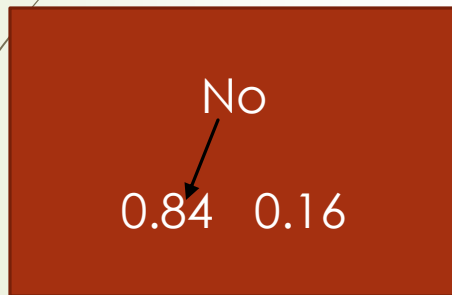
### Decision trees

- Use entropy reduction to reduce the amount of error in the data to make a decision
- Identify the most important variables in making a decision
- Create a series of rules to make a decision

# Decision Tree - How to read

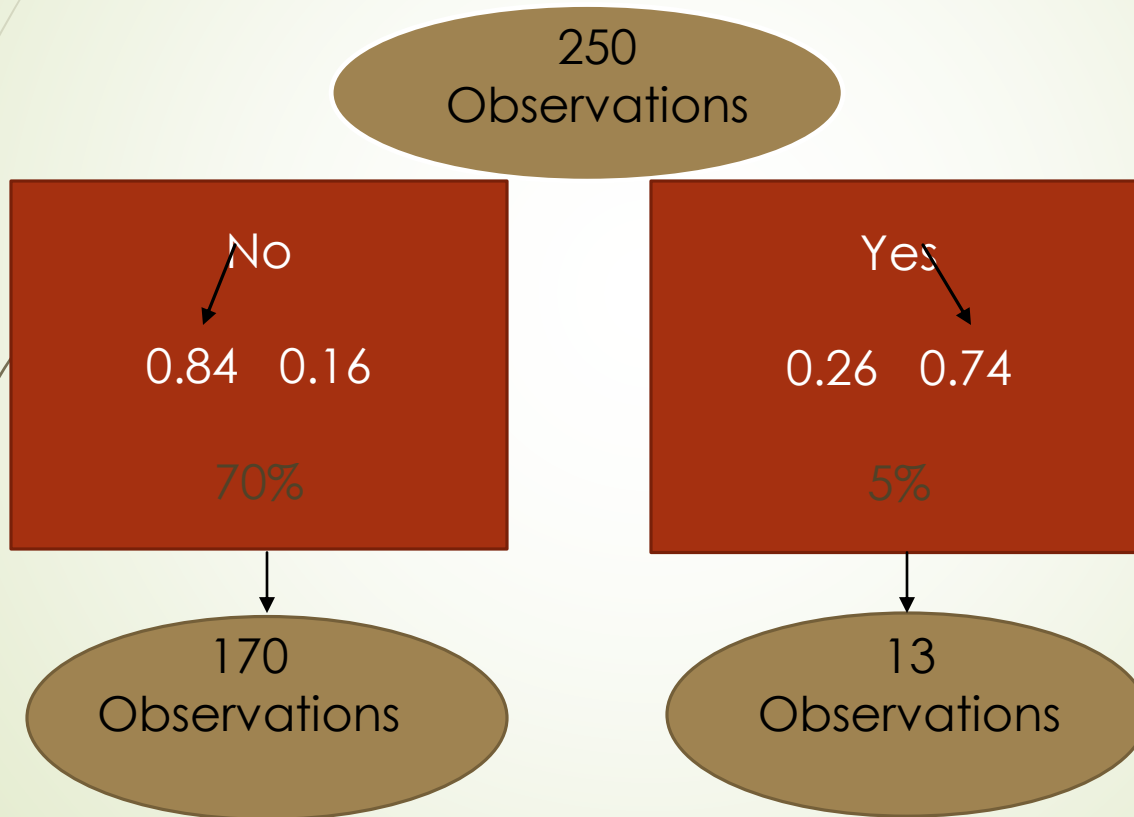


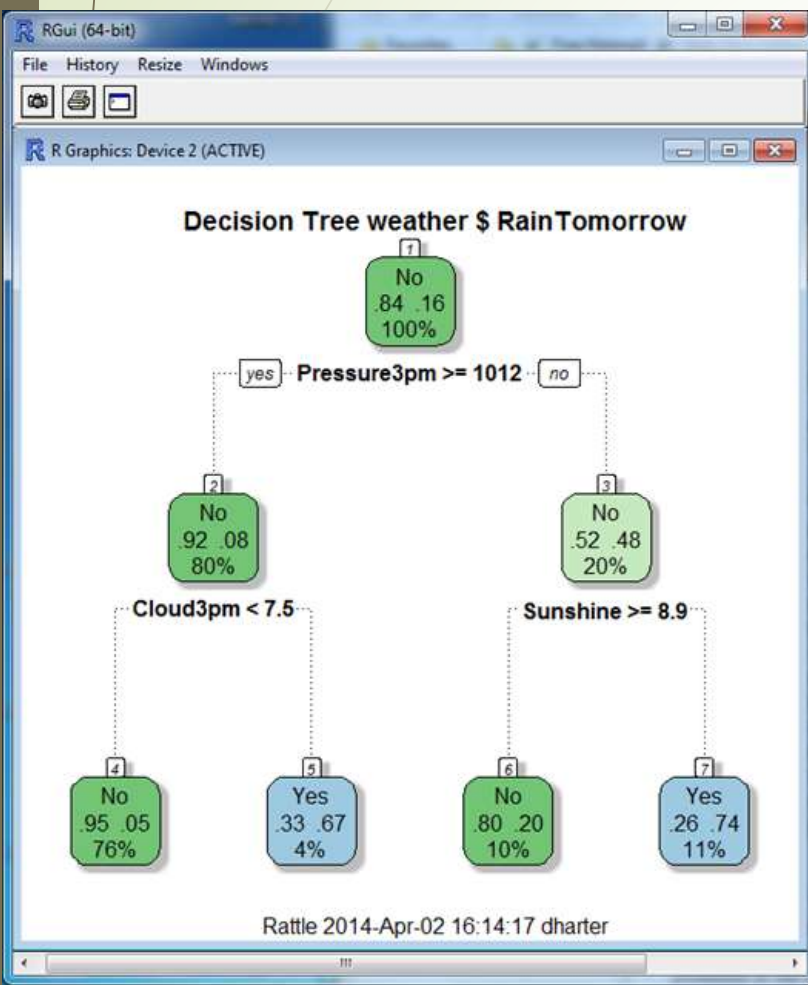
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84%  
Chance of  
**No Rain**  
(250 Obs)

92% chance of  
**No Rain** if  
Pressure  $\geq 1012$   
(200 Obs)

52% chance  
of **No Rain** if  
Pressure  $< 1012$   
(50 Obs)

95%  
chance **No Rain** if  
Pressure  $\geq 1012$  and  
Cloud  $< 7.5$   
(190 Obs)

67%  
chance  
**Rain** if  
Pressure  $\geq 1012$   
and  
Cloud  $> 7.5$   
5

80%  
chance  
**No Rain** if  
Pressure  $< 1012$  and  
Sun  $> 8.9$   
(25 Obs)

74%  
chance  
**Rain** if  
Pressure  $< 1012$  and  
Sun  $< 8.9$   
(10 Obs)

# Homework #4

1. Logit and probit analysis (see week 9)
2. Moderating effects (week 7)
3. Final logit & probit models with interaction effects (moderating effects), prediction of outcome, sensitivity analysis
4. Neural network analysis
5. Neural network prediction model and sensitivity analysis (new material in handout in week 9)

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    - Align leadership at multiple levels
      - Player acquisition, player payment, strategies for performance
    - Focus on human dimension
      - Individual-level game performance
      - Performance in context (plus/minus analysis)
    - Exploit locational data
      - NYY player acquisition based on homerun measurement
    - Broader ecosystem (partnerships)
      - Business operations, dynamic ticket pricing, digital strategy
    - Support “analytic amateurs”
      - Players becoming analytics specialists

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    - Priorities: GB only funds sports which are likely to produce medals
  - What is the biggest challenge? (page 2)
    - Difficulty in collecting data – some sports are hard to collect
  - What are some of the barriers? (page 3)
    - Elite coaches rely on experience, rather than data
  - Where is the power of the data? (page 5)
    - Longitudinal data rather than snapshots