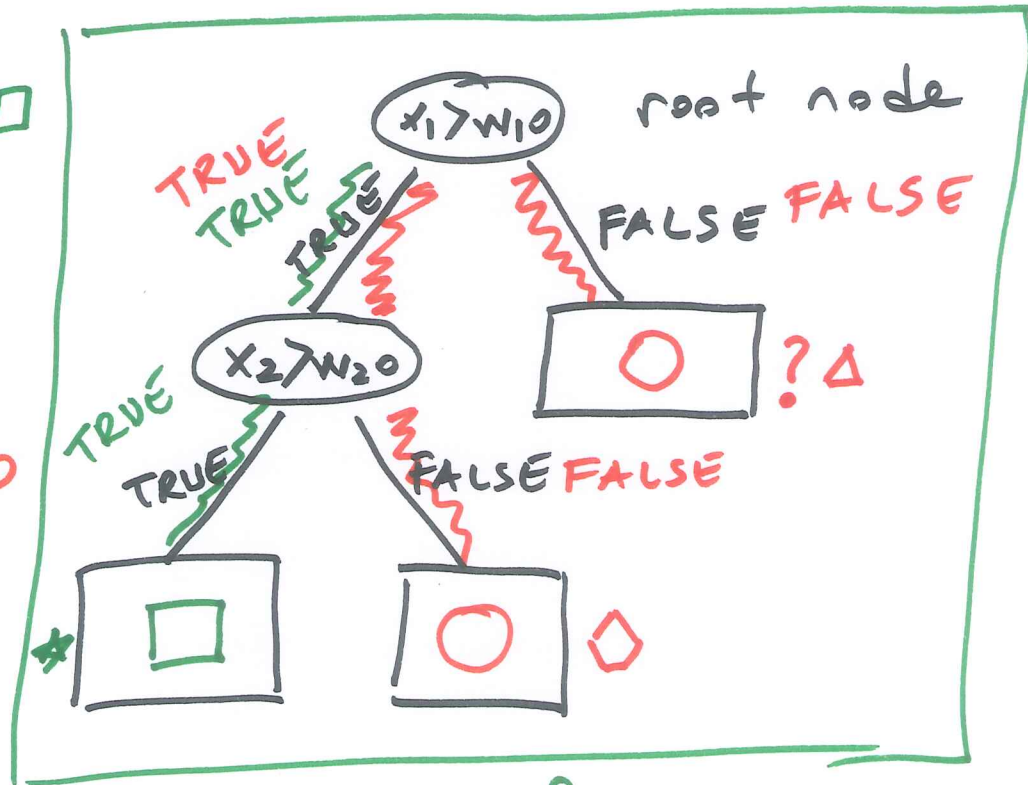
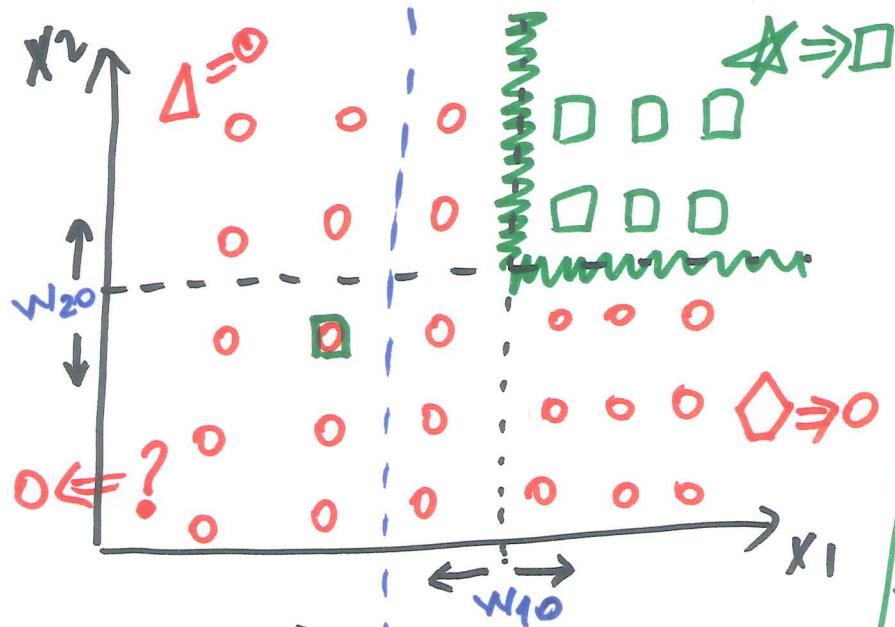


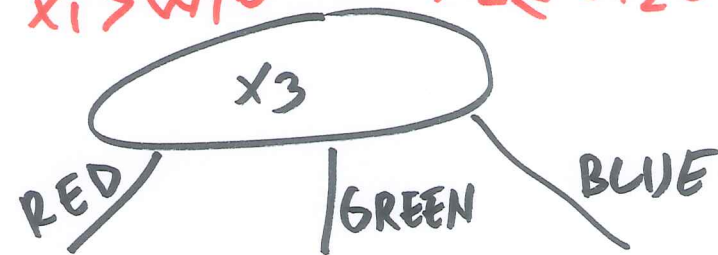
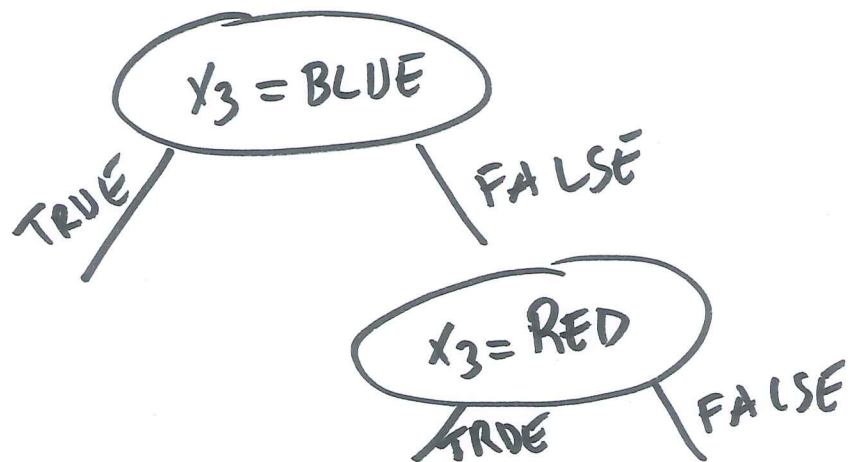
# DECISION TREES



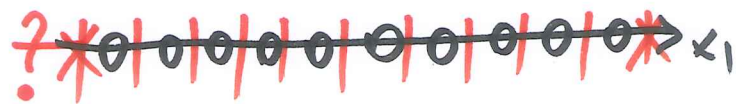
$$x_1 > w_{10} \wedge x_2 > w_{20} \Rightarrow \square$$

$$x_1 \leq w_{10} \Rightarrow \circ$$

$$x_1 > w_{10} \wedge x_2 \leq w_{20} \Rightarrow \circ$$



How can we learn  $w_{10}$  &  $w_{20}$  from data?  
 $N$  data points  $\Rightarrow$   $N-1$  splits



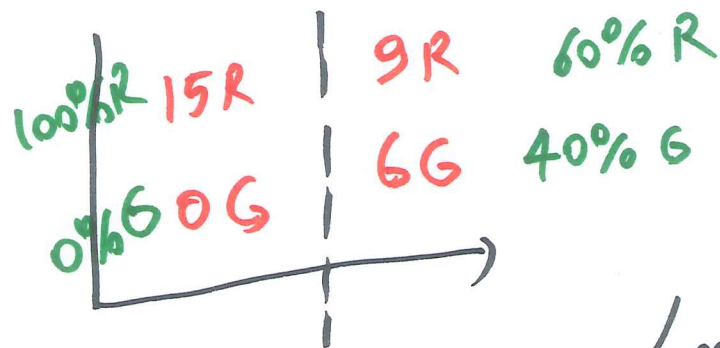
TRUE, FALSE, TRUE  
 $\leftarrow -3 \quad +3 \rightarrow$

## Univariate Trees

Each internal node  $\Rightarrow$  we use only one feature



$$f_m(x) : \quad x_j^{(i)} > w_{m0} \quad [x_j = w_{m0}]$$



$$\begin{aligned} & \text{TRUE} \rightarrow L_m = \{x \mid x_j > w_{m0}\} \\ & \text{FALSE} \rightarrow R_m = \{x \mid x_j \leq w_{m0}\} \end{aligned}$$

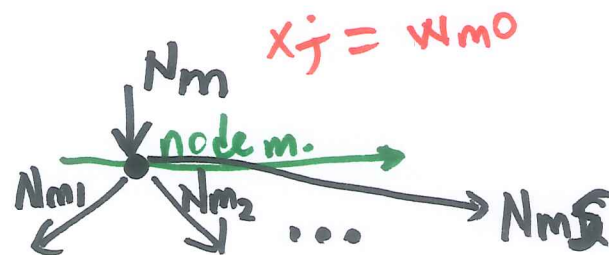
$x_j^2 > 9$   
 $x_j < -3 \Rightarrow B1$   
 $-3 \leq x_j \leq 3 \Rightarrow B2$   
 $x_j > 3 \Rightarrow B3$

$x_j \neq w_{m0}$

## Goodness of a split:

$$N_m = N_{m1} + N_{m2} + \dots + N_{mK}$$

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$N_m$ : # of data points that reach node  $m$   
 $S$ : # of splits.  
 $K$ : # of classes.

$$P_{mc} = \hat{P}(y=c \mid x, m) = \frac{N_{mc}}{N_m}$$

$$I_m = - \sum_{c=1}^K p_{mc} \cdot \log_2(p_{mc})$$

$$I_m = - \left[ \overset{0}{1} \cdot \log_2(1) + \overset{0}{0} \cdot \log_2(0) \right] = 0 \quad I_m = - \left[ 0.7 \log_2(0.7) + 0.3 \log_2(0.3) \right]$$

$$I_m = - \left[ \overset{0}{1} \cdot \log_2(1) + \overset{0}{0} \cdot \log_2(0) \right] = 0 \quad I_m = - \left[ 0.6 \log_2(0.6) + 0.4 \log_2(0.4) \right]$$

split & node impurity

$$I_m = - \sum_{s=1}^S \frac{N_{ms}}{N_m} \sum_{c=1}^K p_{msc} \cdot \log_2(p_{msc})$$

weight of a child node

node index

split index

class index

impurity of a child node

$$I'_m (\text{blue split}) = - \left[ \frac{10}{30} \cdot 0 + \frac{20}{30} \cdot \right]$$

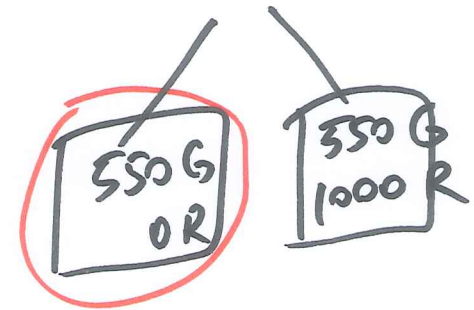
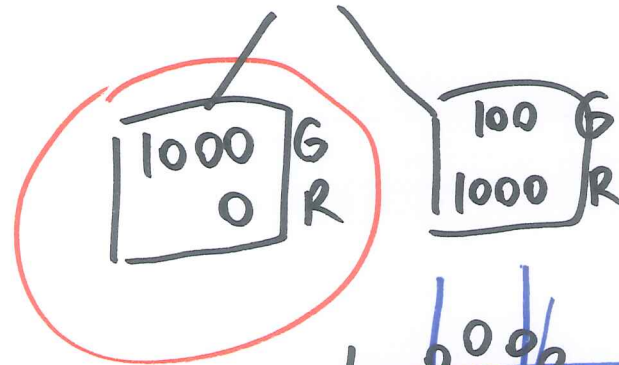
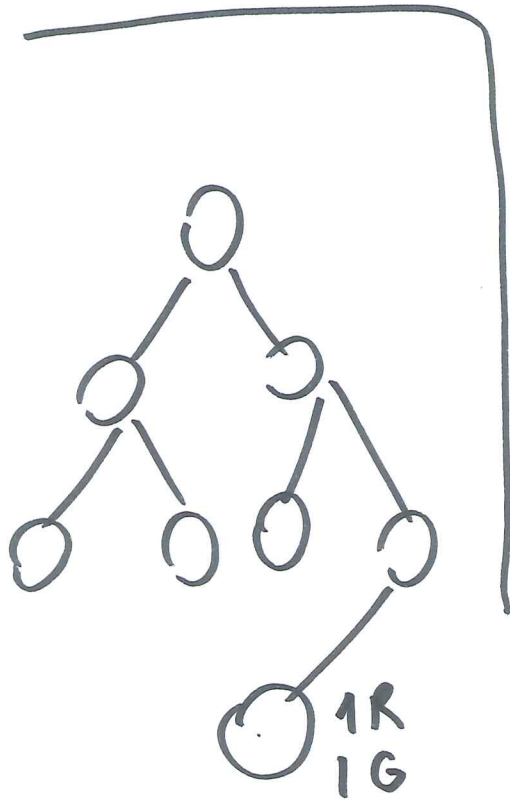
$$I'_m (\text{black split}) = - \left[ \frac{15}{30} \cdot 0 + \frac{15}{30} \cdot \right]$$

black split is better than blue split!!!



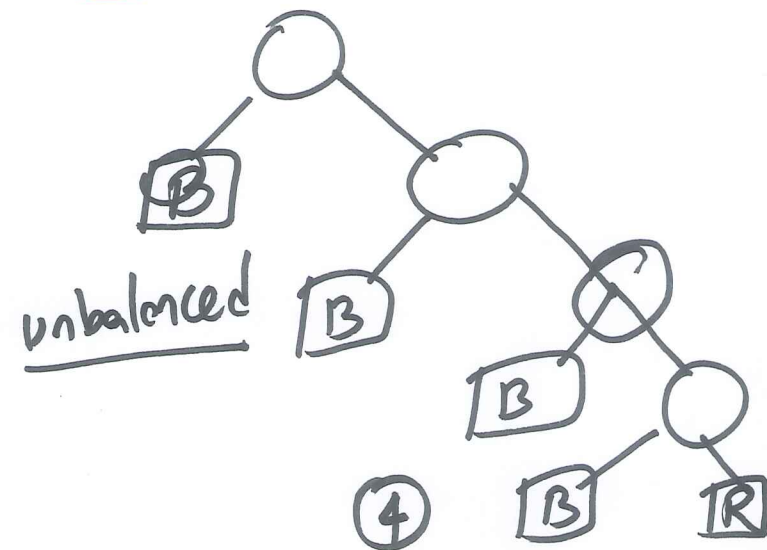
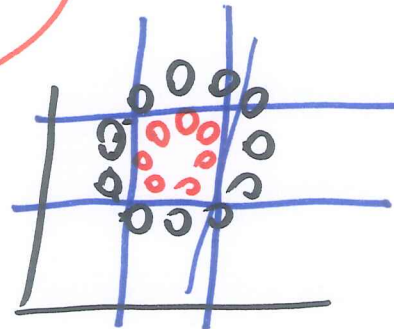
at each node  $\Rightarrow$  [ for all features  
for all possible splits  
calculate the impurity  
~~pick the best~~  
pick the best split ]

Stop when all terminal nodes are "pure".

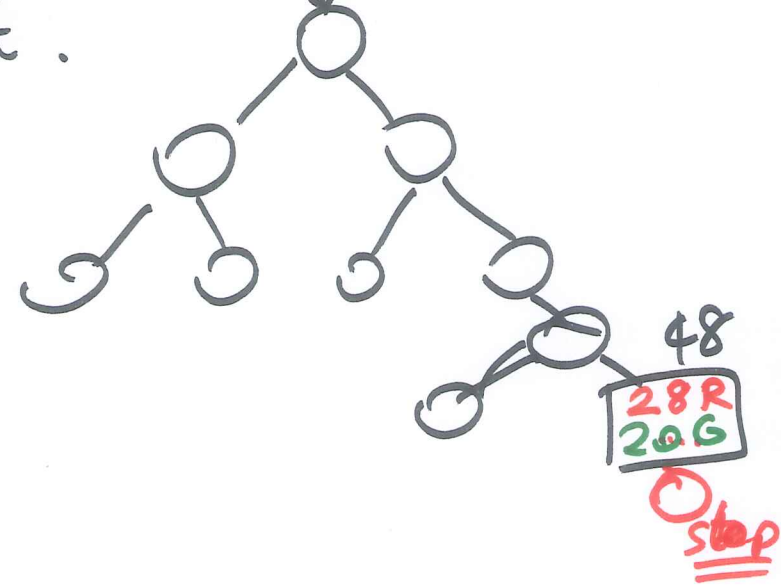


PROBLEM: (OVERFITTING)

pruning is the answer to  
this problem.



pre-pruning: you won't split if your node has at most 5% of the training set.



post-pruning: you grow your tree until it is completely pure.



← pruning algorithm  
training set 30%  
pruning set 20%

if your misclassification error does not increase after cutting, CUT these branches.