

A black and white photograph of the RMS Titanic docked at a pier. The ship is viewed from the side, showing its four prominent funnels and multiple decks. A large crowd of people is gathered on the pier in the foreground, looking towards the ship. The water is calm, and the sky is overcast.

# Titanic AI project

Session 4 FINAL

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# Part 1: Decision Trees

# Quick Recap

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	Pclass	SibSp	Parch	FareType	SexCode	Age_cat	Embarked_code
Survived							
0	549	549	549	549	549	549	549
1	342	342	342	342	342	342	342

Ticked and Name were dropped

Age

- imputed as mean of the respective pclass
- binned as 5 bands of equal width in the min\_age -> max\_age space

Fare - binned as the 4 quartiles of the Fare frequencies

# 1.1 Decision Trees - default params

- We fit a Decision Tree with default parameters to observe accuracy:

```
DecisionTreeClassifier(ccp_alpha=0.0, class_weight=None, criterion='gini',  
                        max_depth=None, max_features=None, max_leaf_nodes=None,  
                        min_impurity_decrease=0.0, min_impurity_split=None,  
                        min_samples_leaf=1, min_samples_split=2,  
                        min_weight_fraction_leaf=0.0, presort='deprecated',  
                        random_state=None, splitter='best')
```

```
Training accuracy: 0.897  
[[133  21]  
 [ 42  72]]
```

- Train
- Test
- Train test split (70-30)

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.76	0.86	0.81	154
1	0.77	0.63	0.70	114
accuracy			0.76	268
macro avg	0.77	0.75	0.75	268
weighted avg	0.77	0.76	0.76	268

Q: What to expect ?

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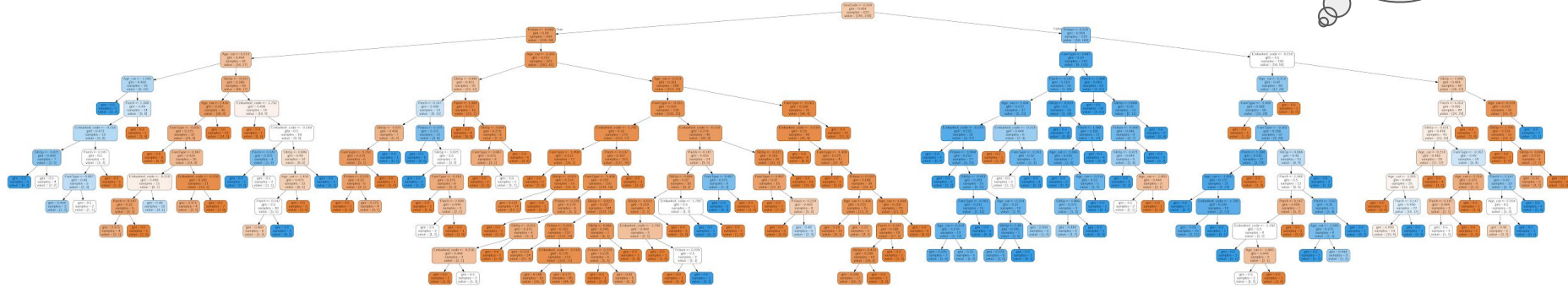
- Remember from our first test ->
- 5-fold results are similar

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# 1.3 Decision Tree - visualisation

Great picture,  
thank you !

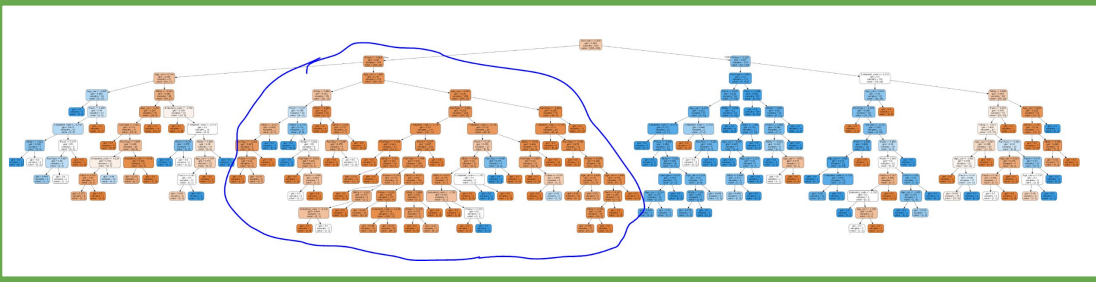


- Exploration (qualitative)
  - Have a look at the depth
  - Balanced ?
  - What do we find in the leaves
- Purpose: look for obvious opportunities to improve

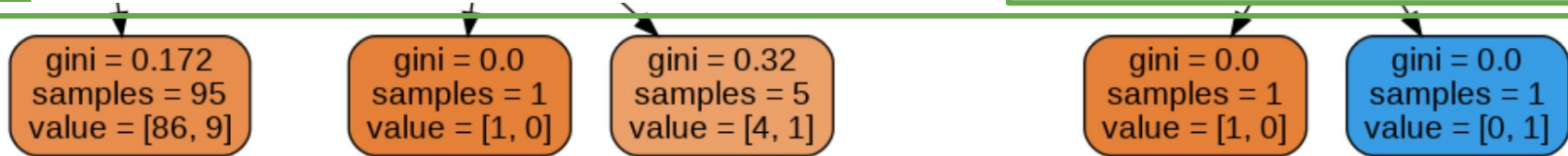


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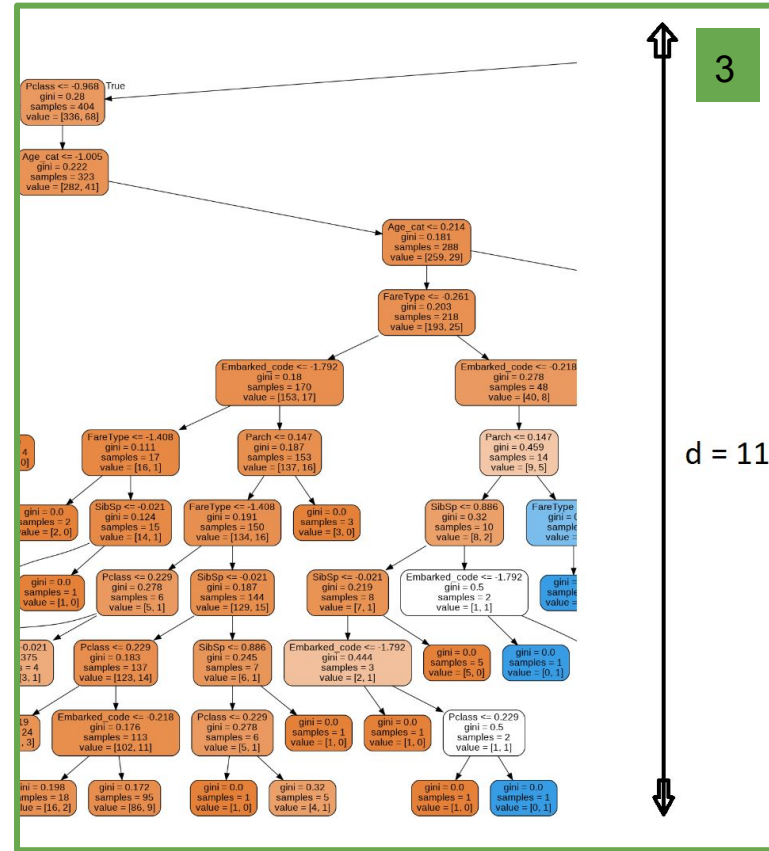


2



3

d = 11



# 1.4 Overfitting

The disadvantages of decision trees include:

- Decision-tree learners can create over-complex trees that do not generalise the data well. This is called overfitting. Mechanisms such as pruning, setting the minimum number of samples required at a leaf node or setting the maximum depth of the tree are necessary to avoid this problem.

<https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/tree.html#tree>

- Proceed with
  - Maximum depth
  - Minimum numbers of samples @ leaf level

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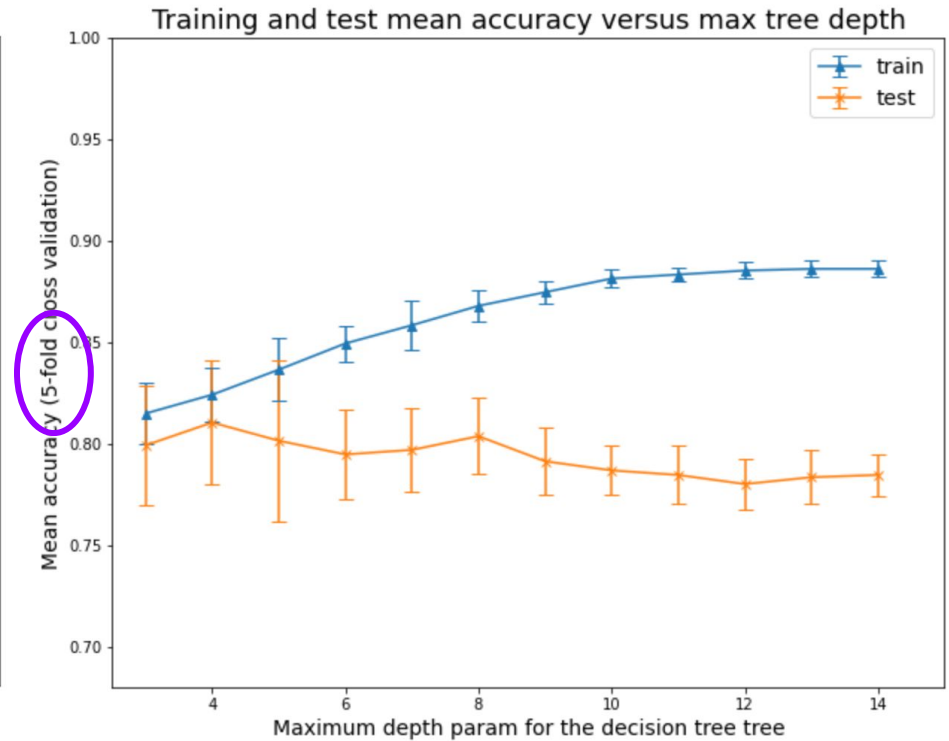
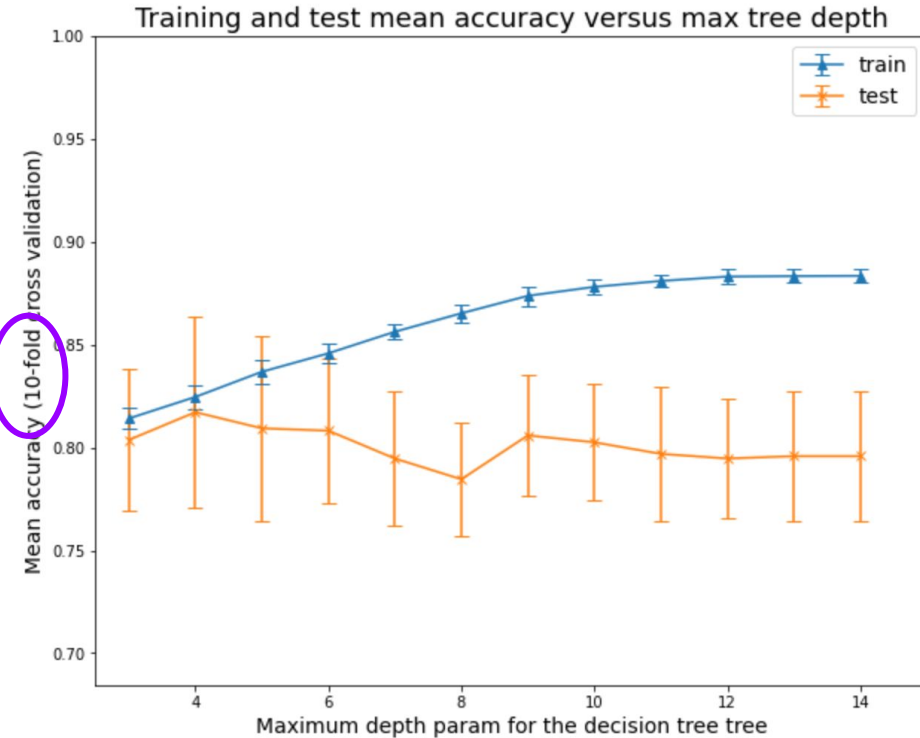
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# 1.6 Decision Trees - cross-validation # of folds



# 1.7 Decision Trees - min samples

- Use
  - min\_samples\_split
  - min\_samples\_leaf
    - start: min\_samples\_leaf=5
    - for classification with few classes, min\_samples\_leaf=1 is often the best choice

to ensure that **multiple samples inform every decision** in the tree,

- very small number => overfit
- large number => ! learning the data.

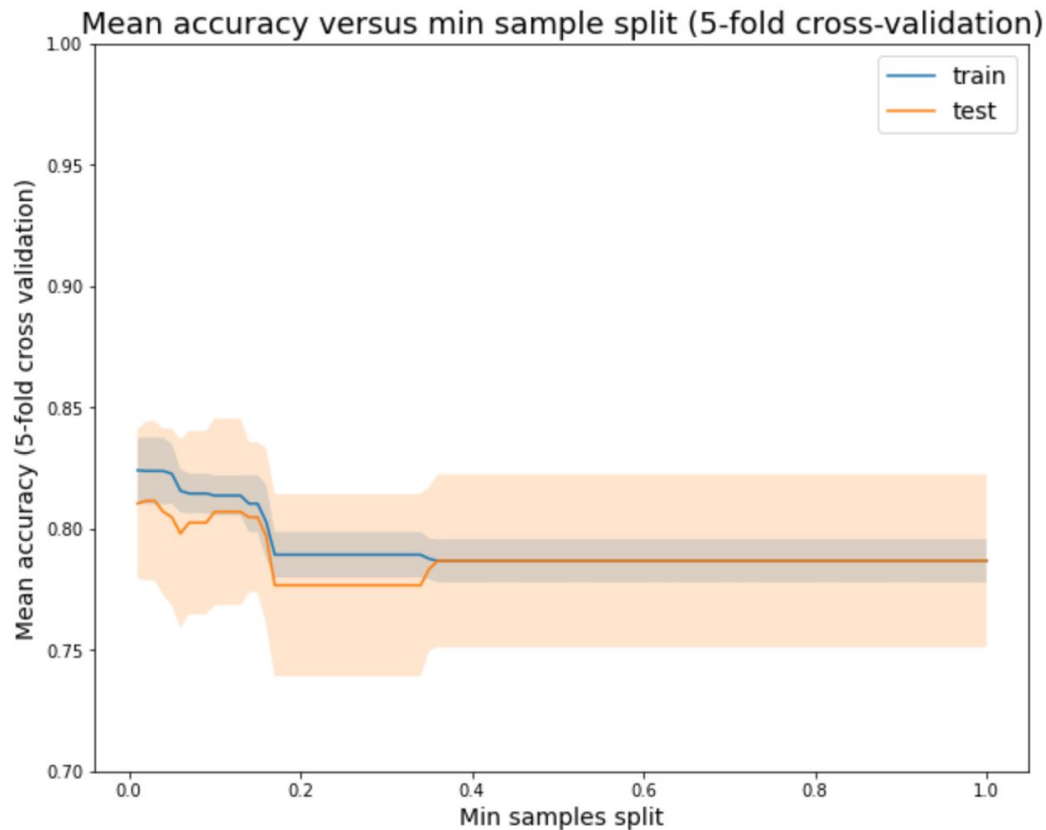
## 1.7.1 Decision Trees - min samples split

Conclusion:

better set to 1, as mentioned in  
the official documentation\*

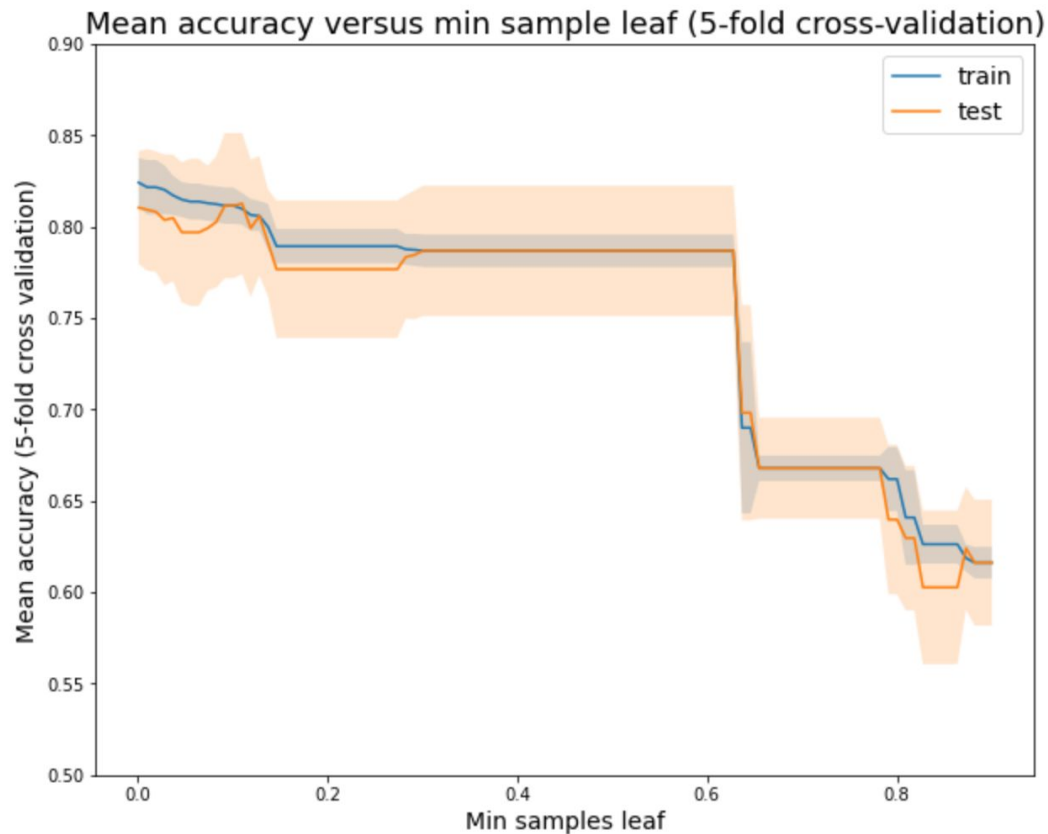
//default is 2

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## 1.7.2 Decision Trees - min samples leaf

- For classification with few classes, `min_samples_leaf=1` is often the best choice\*
- Note that min sample leaf on X axis is shown as %, not absolute values



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# 1.8 Post pruning with cost complexity

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- Parameter: cost complexity parameter (ccp\_alpha)
- Higher ccp\_alpha => more nodes are pruned
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Sources:

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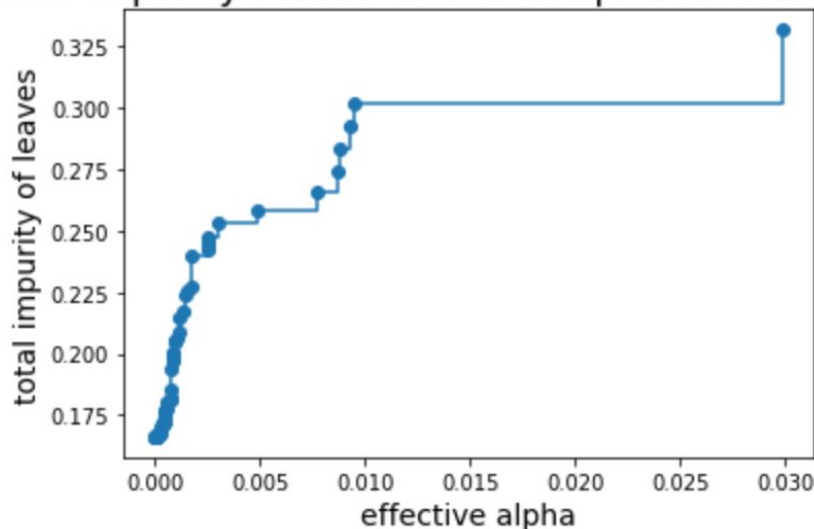
$$R_{\alpha}(T_t) = R(T_t) + \alpha |T_t| \quad R(T_t) = \sum_{t' \in L} R(t')$$

$$\alpha_{eff}(t) = \frac{R(t) - R(T_t)}{|T| - 1}$$

# 1.8 Post pruning with cost complexity - alpha values

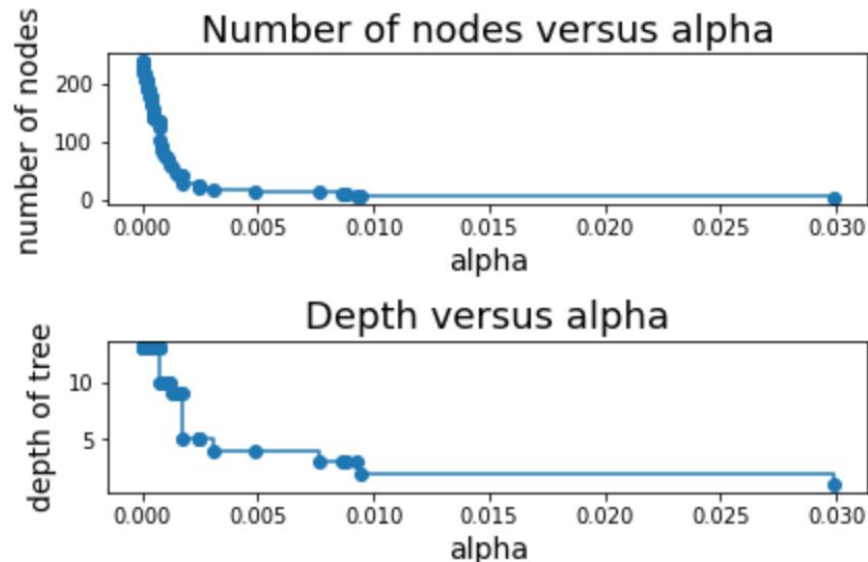
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Total Impurity versus effective alpha for training set



# 1.8 Cost complexity pruning - further exploration

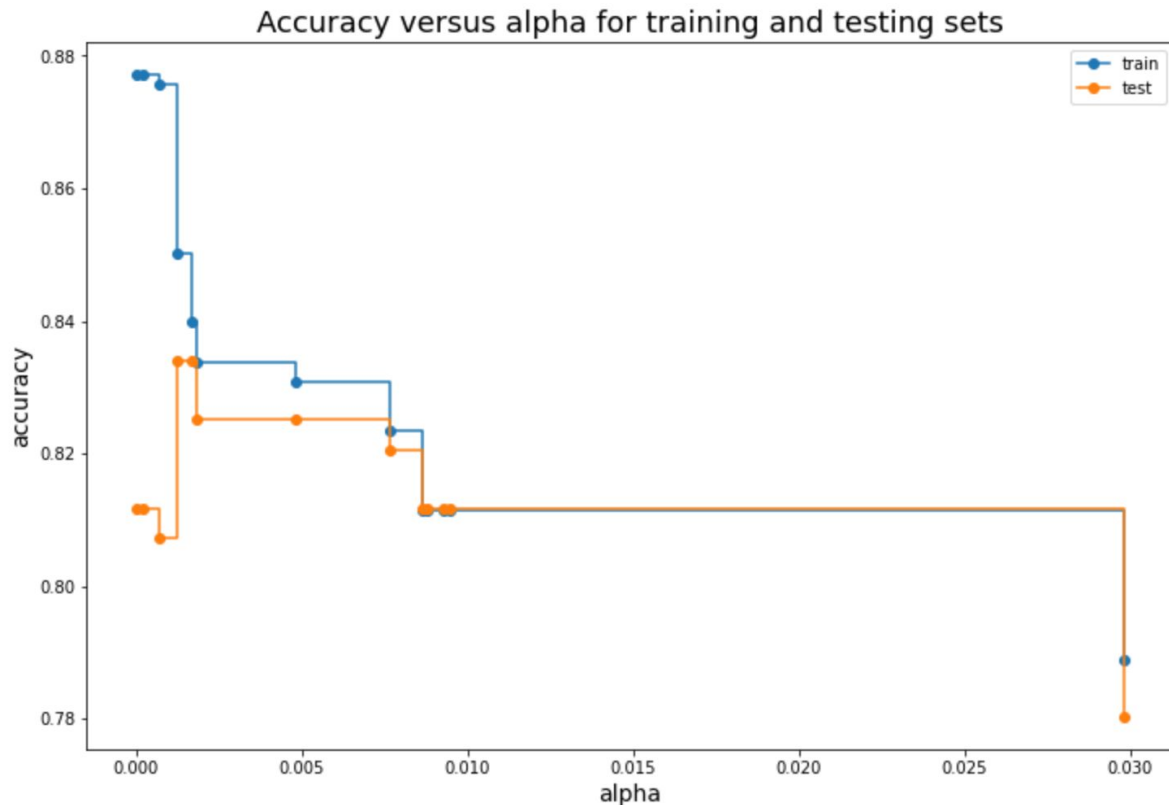
- The higher the  $\alpha$  =>
  - the lower the # of nodes
  - The lower the depth of the tree



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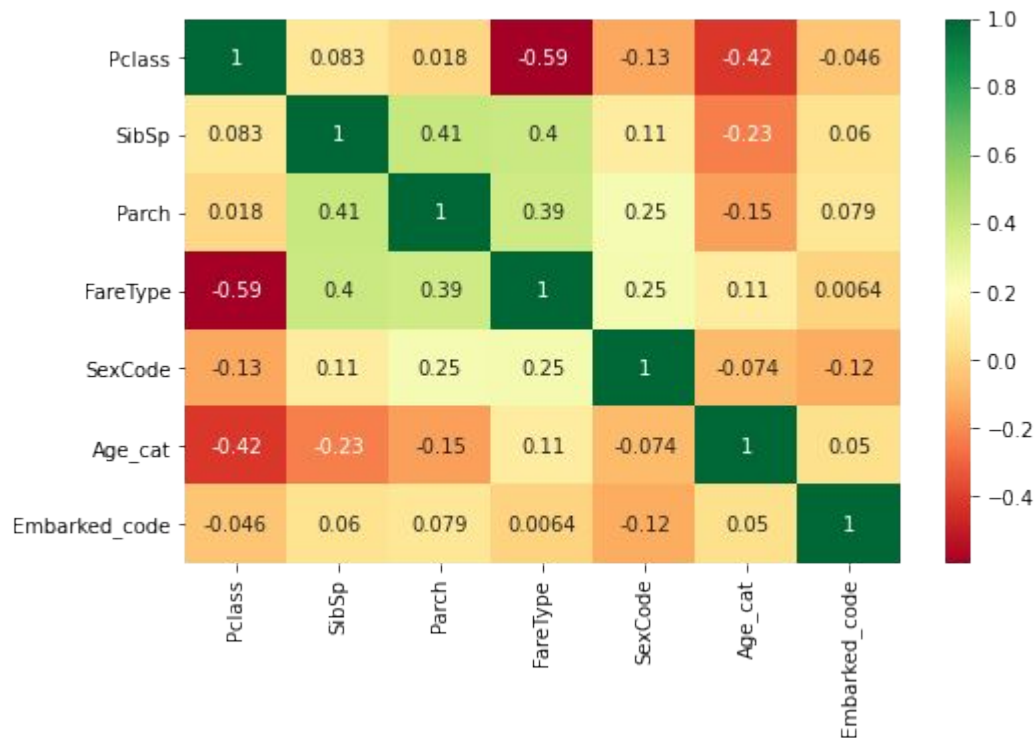
# 1.8 Cost complexity pruning - choosing the right val.

- Effect of choice of alpha on the accuracy for the train and test set
- Train-test split (0.25)
- Observation: should run cross-validation to check the noise in the results



# Part 2: Naive Bayes

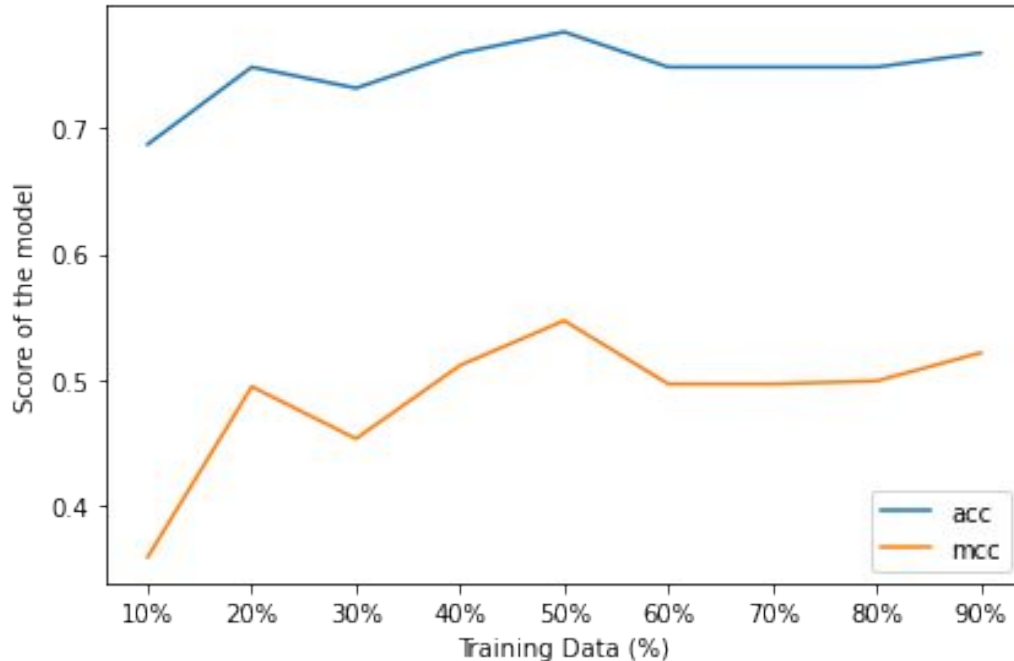
# Naive Bayes: Pearson Correlation



The variables  
"FareType" and "Pclass"  
are a bit correlated.

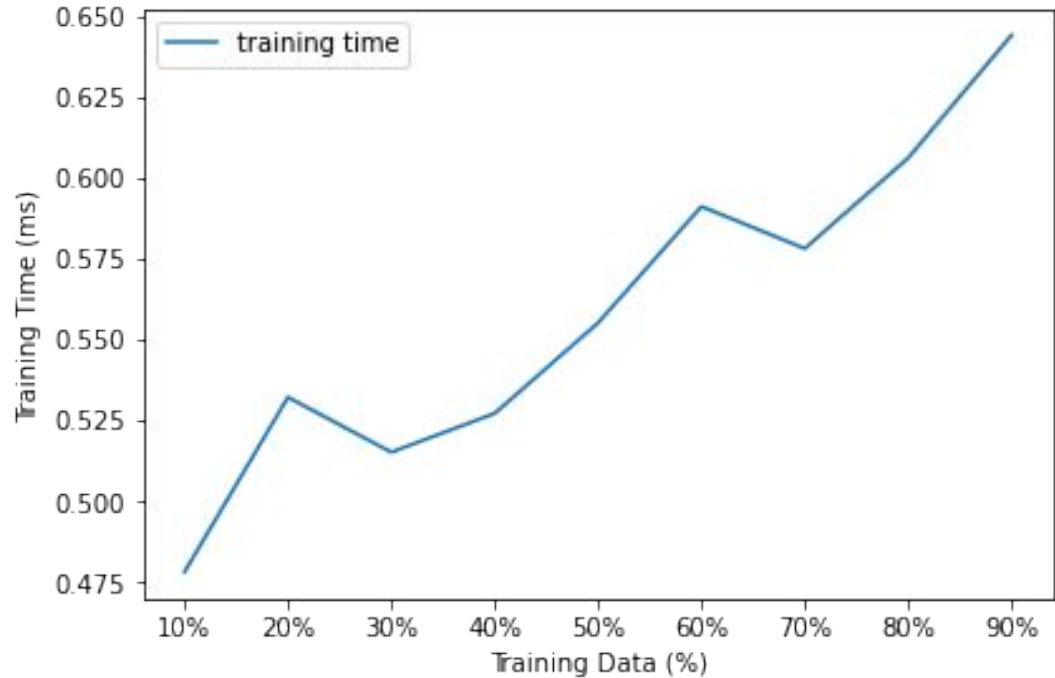
# Naive Bayes: Score (after 100 experiments)

% of Training Data	acc	mcc
10%	0.6872	0.3587
20%	0.7486	0.4943
30%	0.7318	0.4528
40%	0.7598	0.5111
50%	0.7765	0.5468
60%	0.7486	0.4964
70%	0.7486	0.4964
80%	0.7486	0.4987
90%	0.7597	0.5212



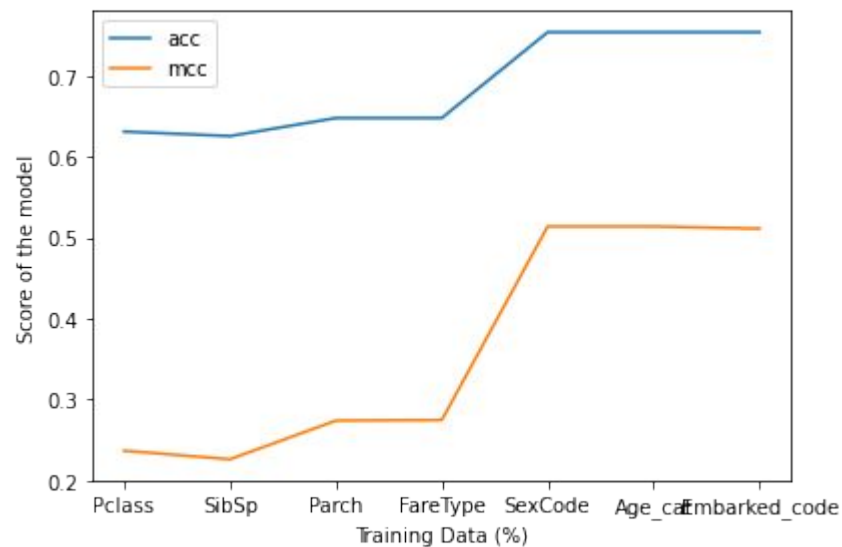
# Naive Bayes: Training Time

% of Training Data	Training Time (ms)
10%	0.478
20%	0.532
30%	0.515
40%	0.527
50%	0.555
60%	0.591
70%	0.578
80%	0.606
90%	0.644





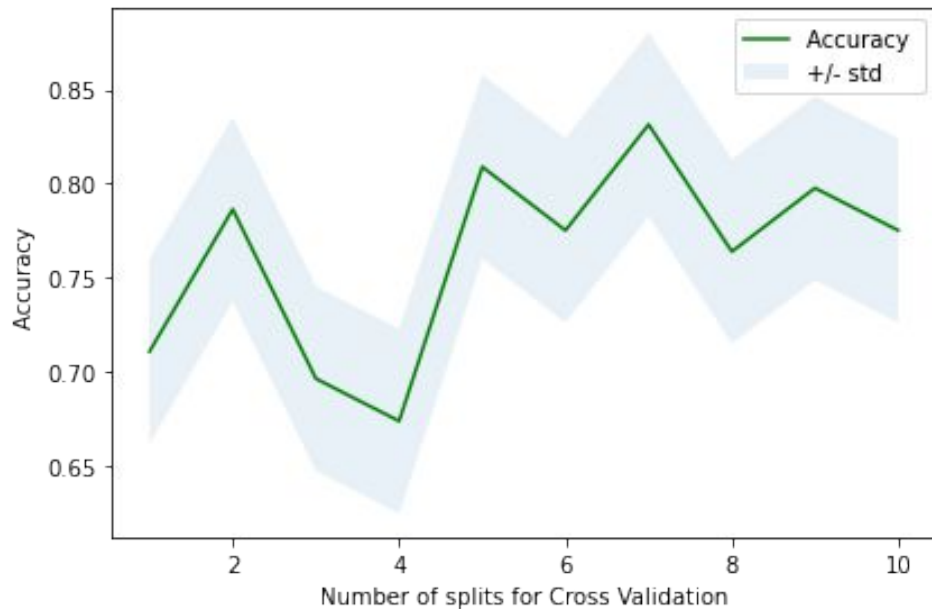
# Naive Bayes: Features



# Naive Bayes: per Feature

Not survived/Survived	Pclass	SibSp	Parch	FareType	SexCode	Age_cat	Embarked_code
Mean	0.26 / -0.47	-0.01 / -0.06	-0.11 / 0.11	-0.26 / 0.38	-0.45 / 0.69	0.03 / -0.04	0.08/-0.14
Standard deviations	0.77 /1.06	1.36 /0.41	1.04 /0.91	0.9 /0.94	0.55 /0.95	0.95/1.07	0.95 / 1.05

# Naive Bayes: Cross Validation



Mean accuracy of k-fold  
Cross Validation 0.7621

# Naive Bayes: Performance

