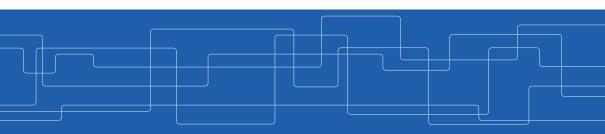


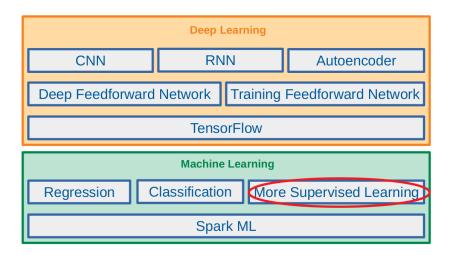
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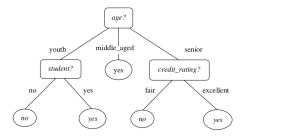
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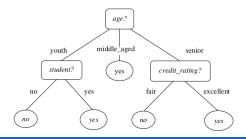


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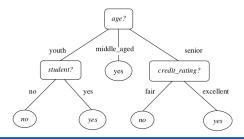


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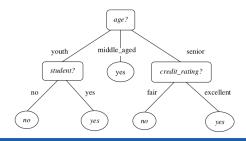


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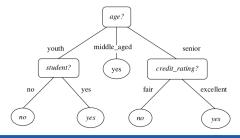


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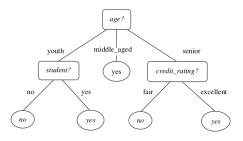


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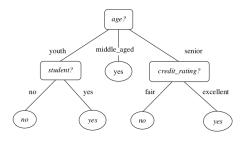




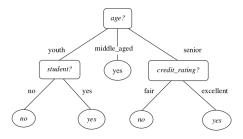
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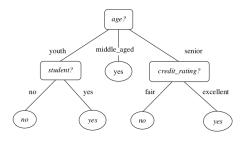
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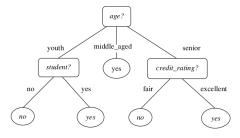
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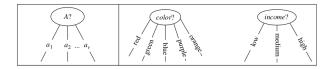
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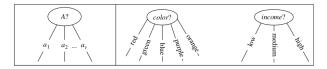
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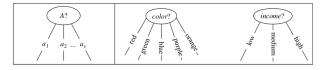


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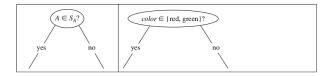




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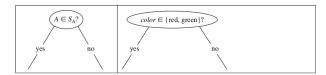


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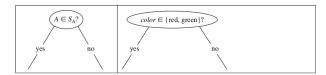


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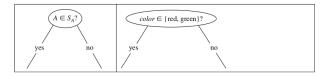


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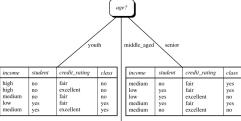
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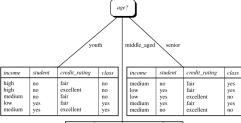




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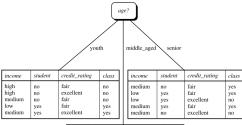




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▶ Gain(income, D) = 0.029, therefore $GainRatio(income, D) = \frac{0.029}{1.557} = 0.019$.



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$$\begin{split} & \text{Gini}_{\text{income} \in \{\text{low,medium}\}}(\textbf{A},\textbf{D}) = \frac{10}{14} \text{Gini}(\textbf{D}_1) + \frac{4}{14} \text{Gini}(\textbf{D}_2) \\ &= \frac{10}{14} \text{Gini}(1 - (\frac{7}{10})^2 - (\frac{3}{10})^2) + \frac{4}{14} (1 - (\frac{2}{4})^2 - (\frac{2}{4})^2) = 0.443 \end{split}$$

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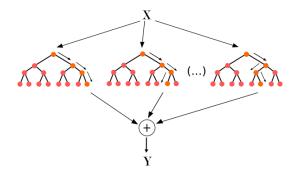
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- Train estimators sequentially, each trying to correct its predecessor.
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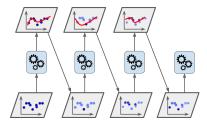
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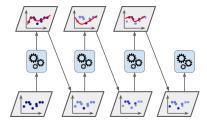
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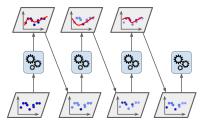
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Gradient Boosting (1/3)

- ▶ Just like AdaBoost, Gradient Boosting works by sequentially adding estimators to an ensemble, each one correcting its predecessor.
- ► However, instead of tweaking the instance weights at every iteration, this method tries to fit the new estimator to the residual errors made by the previous estimator.

- ▶ Let's go through a regression example using Gradient Boosted Regression Trees.
- ► Fit the first estimator on the training set.

```
tree_reg1 = DecisionTreeRegressor(max_depth=2)
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```

▶ Now train the second estimator on the residual errors made by the first estimator.

```
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tree_reg2.fit(X, y2)
```

Then we train the third estimator on the residual errors made by the second estimator.

```
y3 = y2 - tree_reg2.predict(X)
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```

- ▶ Now we have an ensemble containing three trees.
- ▶ It can make predictions on a new instance simply by adding up the predictions of all the trees.

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y_pred = sum(tree.predict(X_new) for tree in (tree_reg1, tree_reg2, tree_reg3))
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 - Boosting: AdaBoost, Gradient Boosting

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Questions?