

Worksheet 3 – Classification and Regression Trees (solution)

High-Dimensional Data Analysis and Machine Learning

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1 CART on Insurance Data

Exercise 1. The dataset contains **2220 observations** of young drivers with car insurance contracts. The variables are TYPE, VALUE, SEX, AGEV, and AGEI. Below is a step-by-step solution in **R**.

1. Load the dataset and describe it.
2. Split the dataset into training and test samples (80%-20%).
3. Use the CART algorithm in order to explain the variable TYPE by the variables VALUE, SEX, AGEV and AGEI.

 Remark

Remark 1.1. Ensure TYPE is a factor for classification trees.

4. Prune the tree using cross-validation (x-error) and the 1-SE rule.
5. Predict the TYPE on test set and assess prediction quality.
6. Compute and visualize ROC curves.
7. Interpret the results and compare them with Linear Discriminant Analysis.