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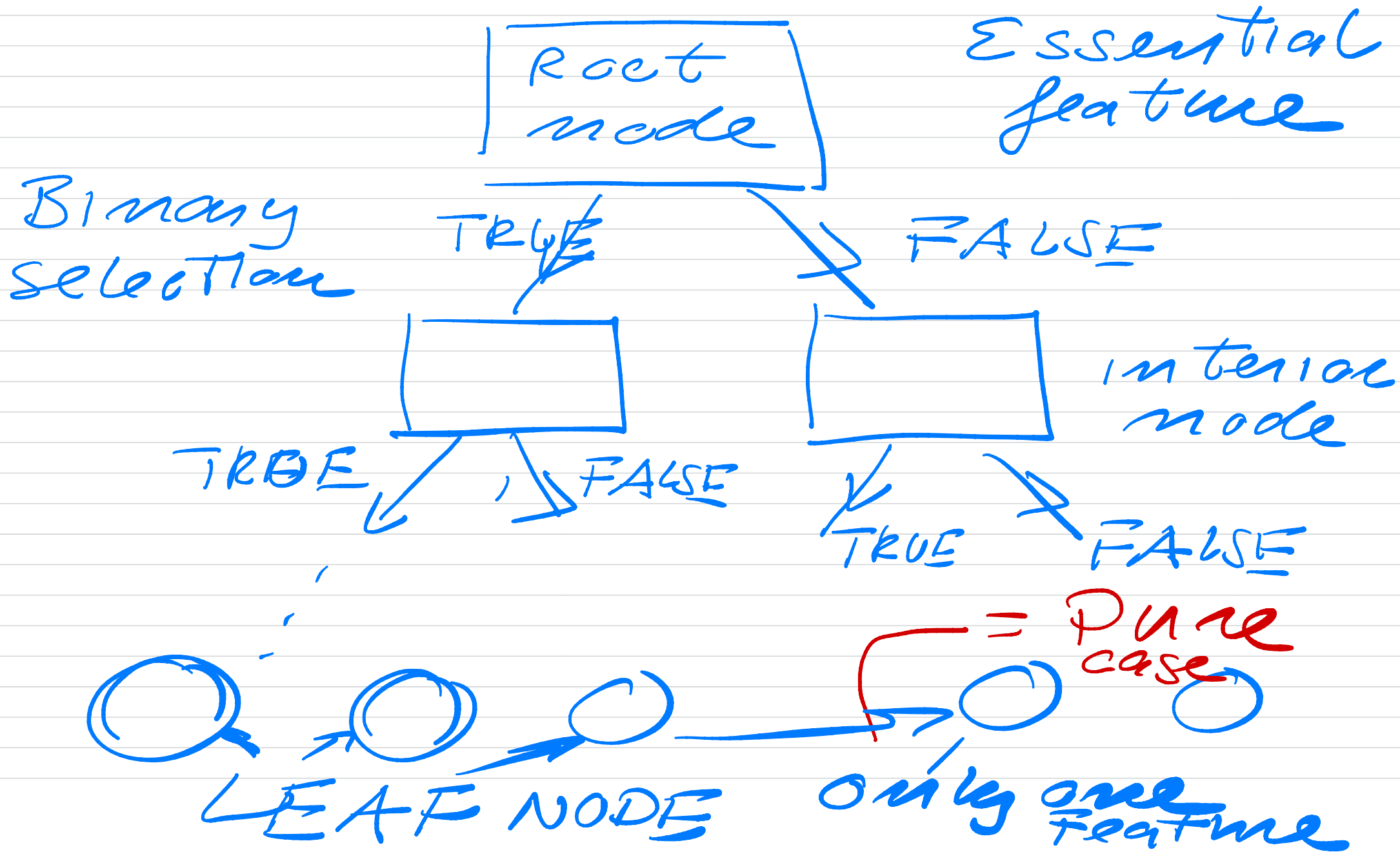
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Why Decision trees?

- simple
- building block in Ensemble methods

- Bagging
- Random Forest
- Boosting
- Gradient Boosting

A simple tree



what is an impurity?
when all elements of a
branch (= leaf) contain
only one class, we say we
have a pure case

How can we define a
measure for when a
class is pure?

Two ways to measure:

Gini factor g

entropy S

$$g, S \in [0, 1]$$

$g = 0$, pure case

$S = 0$ — 1 —

Example: binary case

True has probability $= P$

$$P \in [0, 1]$$

False : $1 - P$

$$\sum_{i=1}^2 P_i = (1-p) + p = 1$$

Criterion for g or S
Measure of information

- additive
- continuous
- non-negative
- high for unlikely events

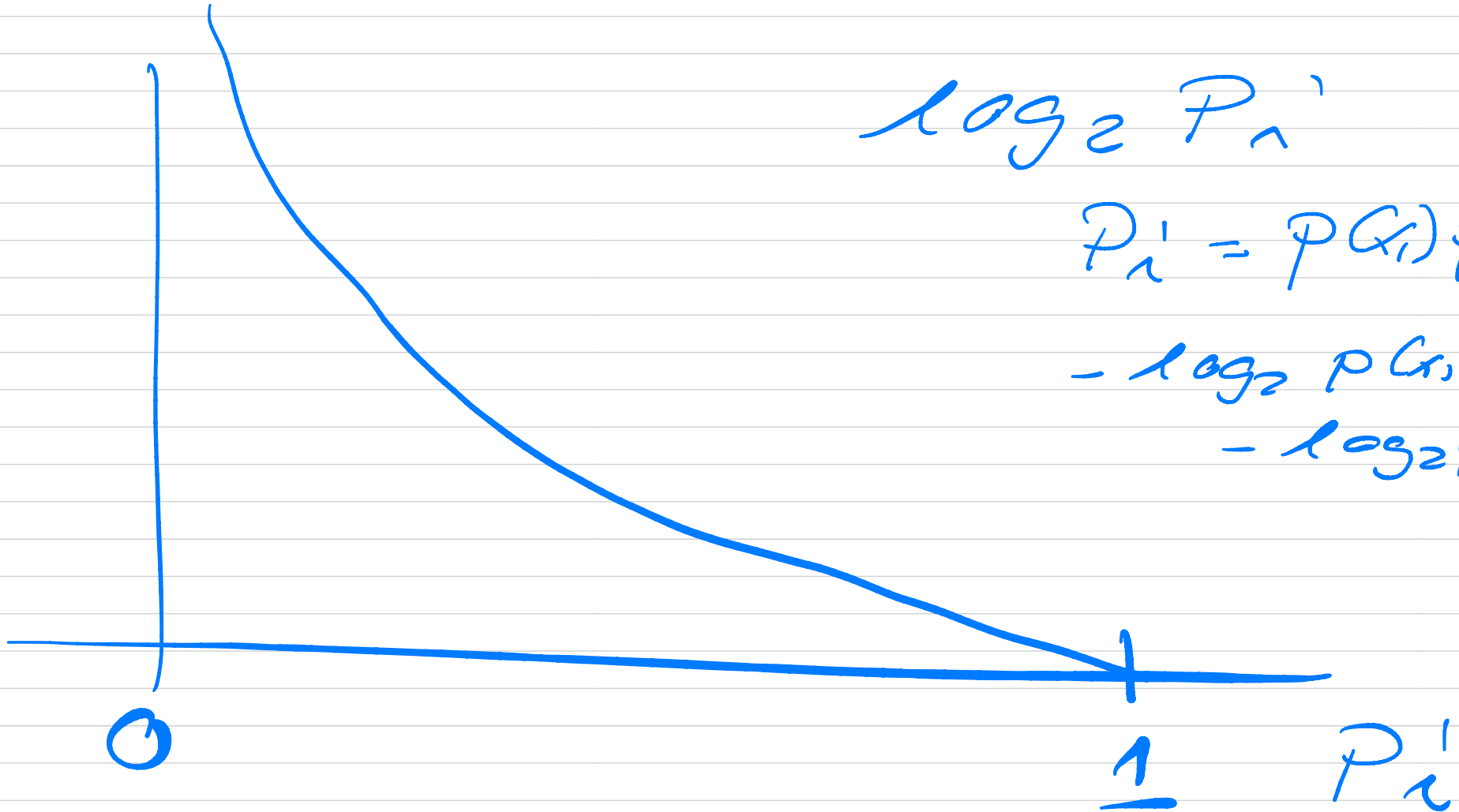
entropy :

$$S_i = - P_i' \log_2 P_i'$$

$$\log_2 P_i'$$

$$P_i' = P(x_1) P(x_2)$$

$$= \log_2 P(x_1) \\ + \log_2 P(x_2)$$



$$S = - \sum_{i=1}^2 p_i \log_2 p_i$$

($0 \log_2 0 = 0$)

$$- \underbrace{p \log_2 p}_{\text{True}} - \underbrace{(1-p) \log_2 (1-p)}_{\text{False}}$$

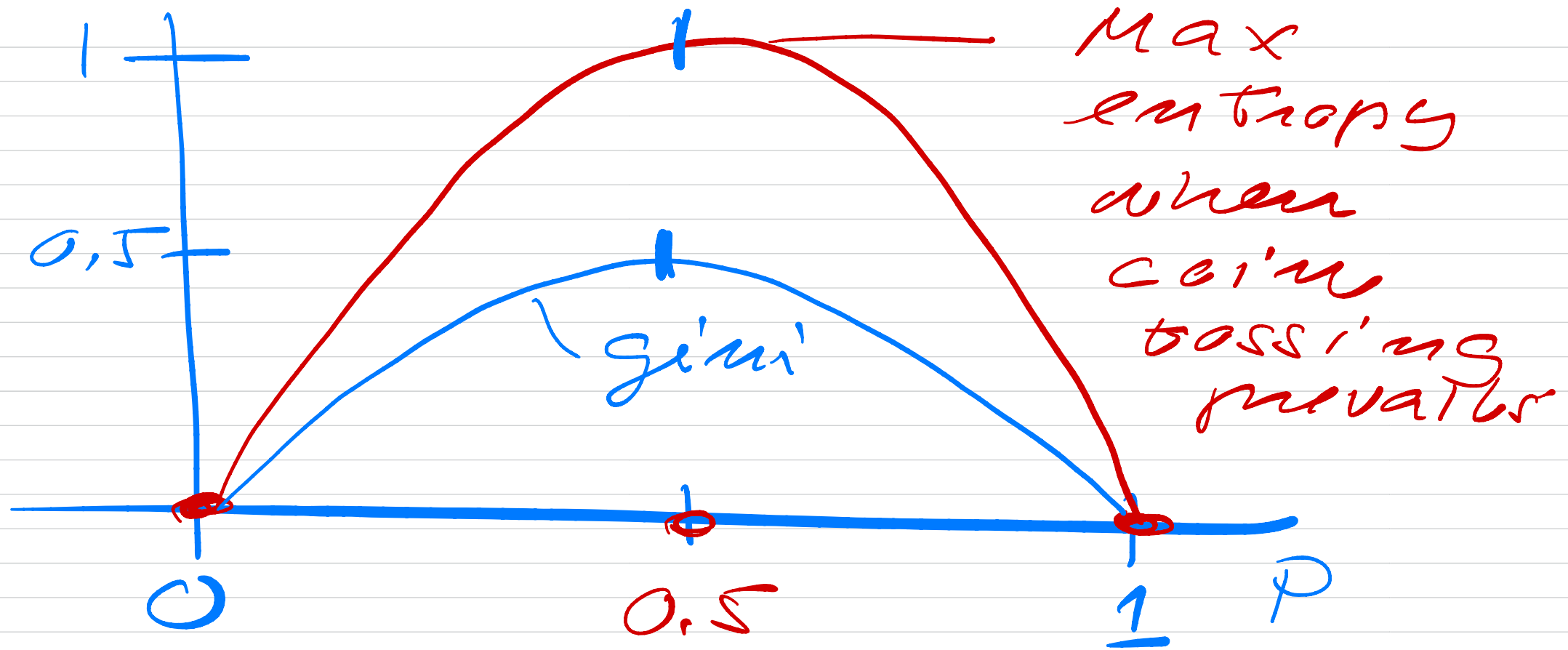
$$S = 0 \quad \text{if} \quad p = 0 \quad \text{FALSE}$$

(pure)

$$S = 0 \quad \text{if} \quad p = 1 \quad \text{TRUE}$$

(pure)

$$p = 0,5 \Rightarrow S = \underline{1}$$



$p = 0.5$, max entropy is
the probability of an
imperfect classification
Both cases are equally
probable.

Gini factor

$$g = \sum_{i=1}^M p_i (1 - p_i)$$
$$= \sum_i p_i - \sum_i p_i^2 =$$

$$1 - \sum_{n=1}^M p_n^2$$

$$g = [0, 1]$$

For our simple example

$$g = 1 - \sum_{n=1}^2 p_n^2$$

$$= 1 - p^2 - (1-p)^2 = 2p(1-p)$$

$$p = 0 \Rightarrow g = 0$$

$$p = 1 \Rightarrow g = 0$$

$$p = 0.5 \Rightarrow g = 0.5$$

Classification Example

- Features/Attributes
 - Grade trend (above/below)
 - # of hours studied (high/low)
 - # of hours slept (high/low)
- output
grade above or below average

Trench	Study	Sleep	Grade
Above	Low	H	A
Below	High	L	B
A	L	H	A
A	H	H	A
B	L	H	B
A	L	L	B
B	H	H	B
B	L	H	B
A	L	L	B
A	H	H	A

Gini factor in order to
make a tree

$$P(\text{Trend} = A) = 6/10$$

$$P(\text{Trend} = B) = 4/10$$

if (Trend = above & grade
= below)

$$P = 2/6 = 1/3$$

if (Trend = above & grade
Above)

$$P = 4/6$$

$$gini' = 1 - \left(\left(\frac{4}{8} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{2}{8} \right)^2 \right) = 0.45$$

if (Trend = below & grade above)
 $P = 0$

if (Trend = below & grade below)
 $P = 4/4 = 1$

Gini' index $1 - (1^2 + 0^2) = 0$

weighted sum for Trend:

$$6/10 \times 0.45 + 4/10 \times 0 = \boxed{0.27}$$

Gini factor for hours slept

$$g = \boxed{0.47} \quad (\text{weighted})$$

weighted factor for hours studied

$$g = \boxed{0.34}$$

Root

Grade
Trend
 $g = 0.27$

TREND
Above
(0)

TREND
BELOW
(4)

?

LHS

?

RHS

L H S

T	Sleep Study		G
A	L	H	A
A	L	H	A
A	H	H	A
A	L	L	B
A	L	L	B
A	H	H	A

$$P(\text{Sleep} = H) = 2/6$$

$$P(\text{SLEEP} = L) = 4/6$$

if (H & grade)
above

$$P = 1$$

if (H & grade)
below

$$P = 0$$

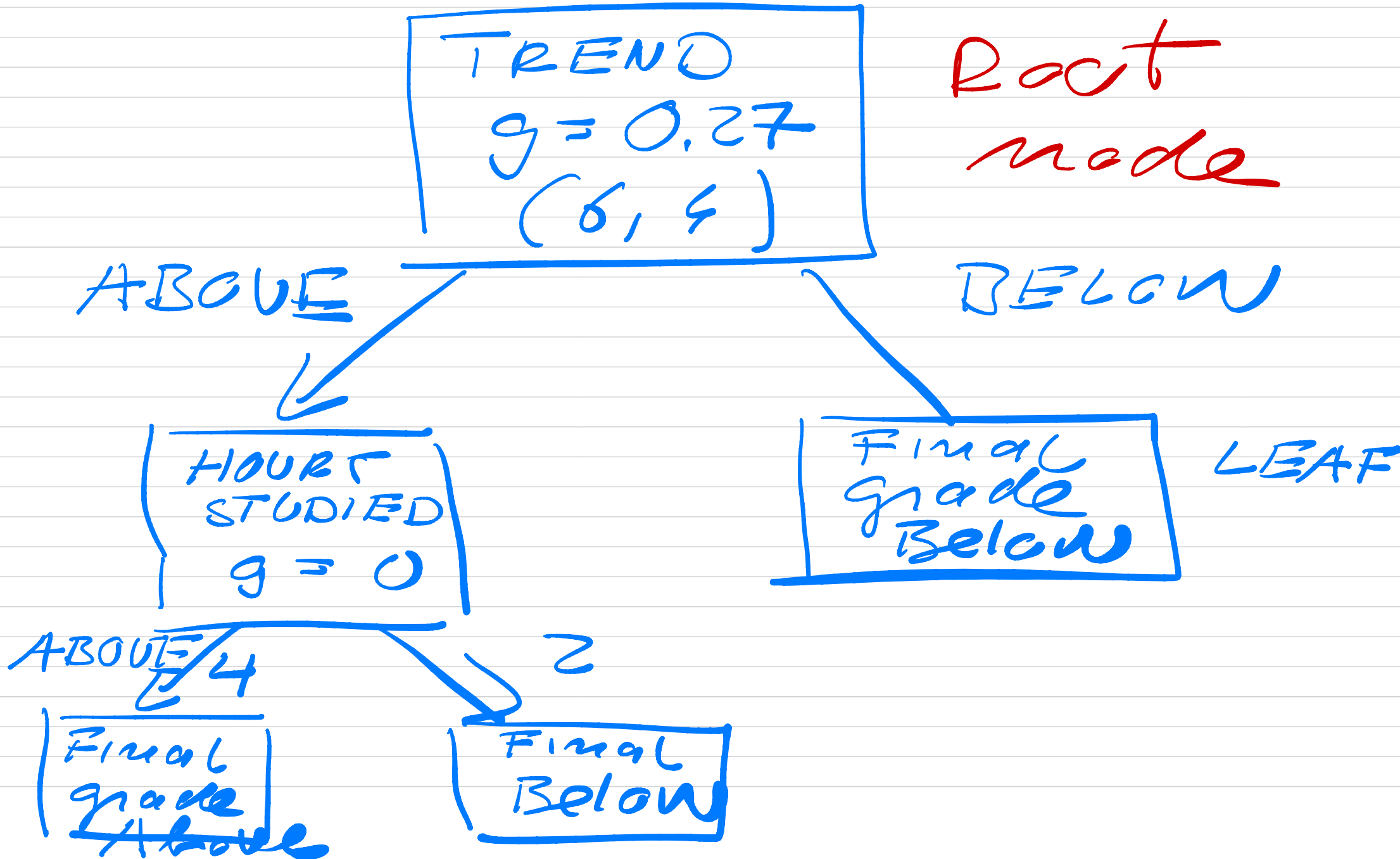
weighed gini
for hours slept
= 0.33

weighed gini for hour
standard $g = 0$

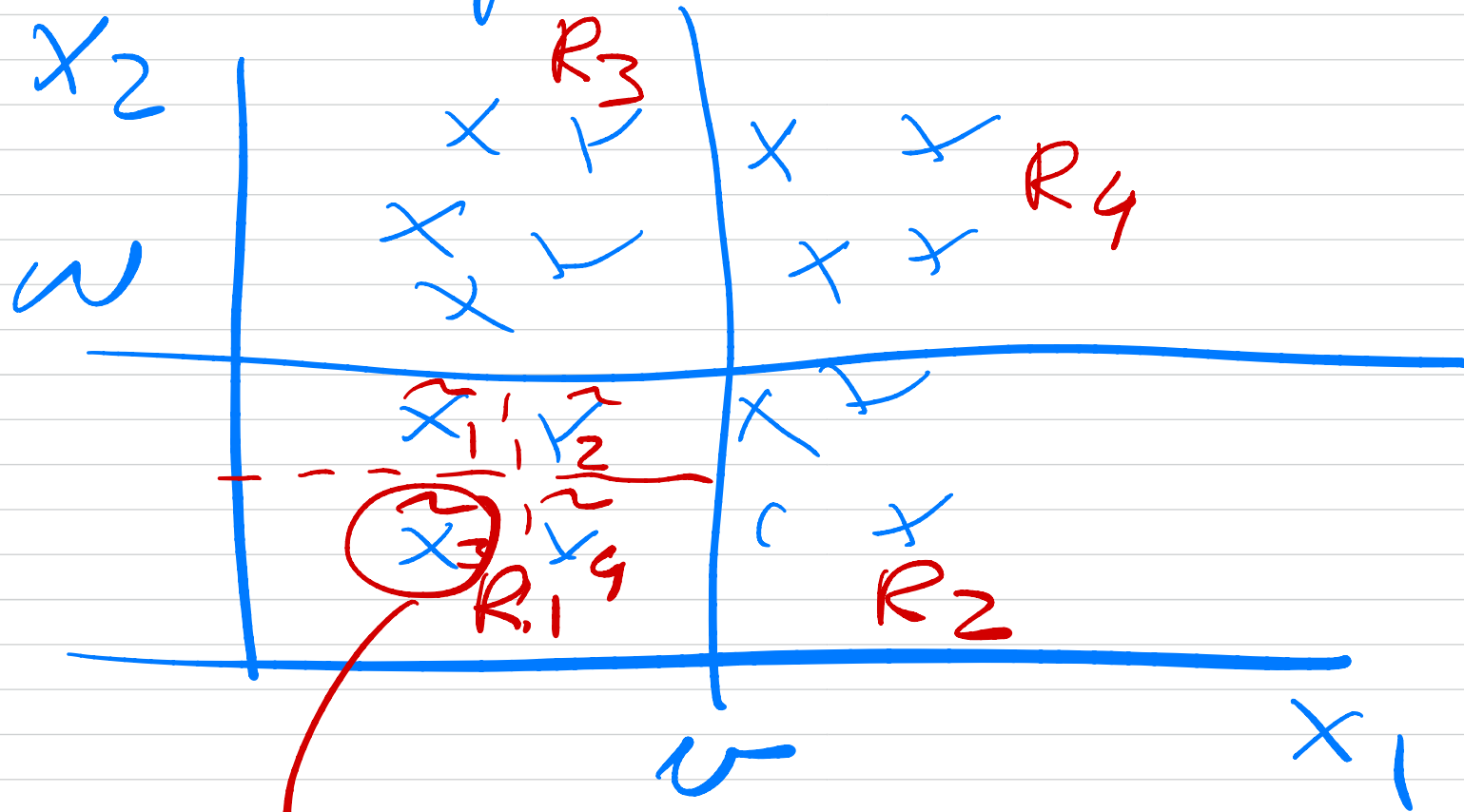
RHS

T	Sleep	Study	Grade
B	H	L	B
B	L	H	B
B	H	H	B
B	L	H	B

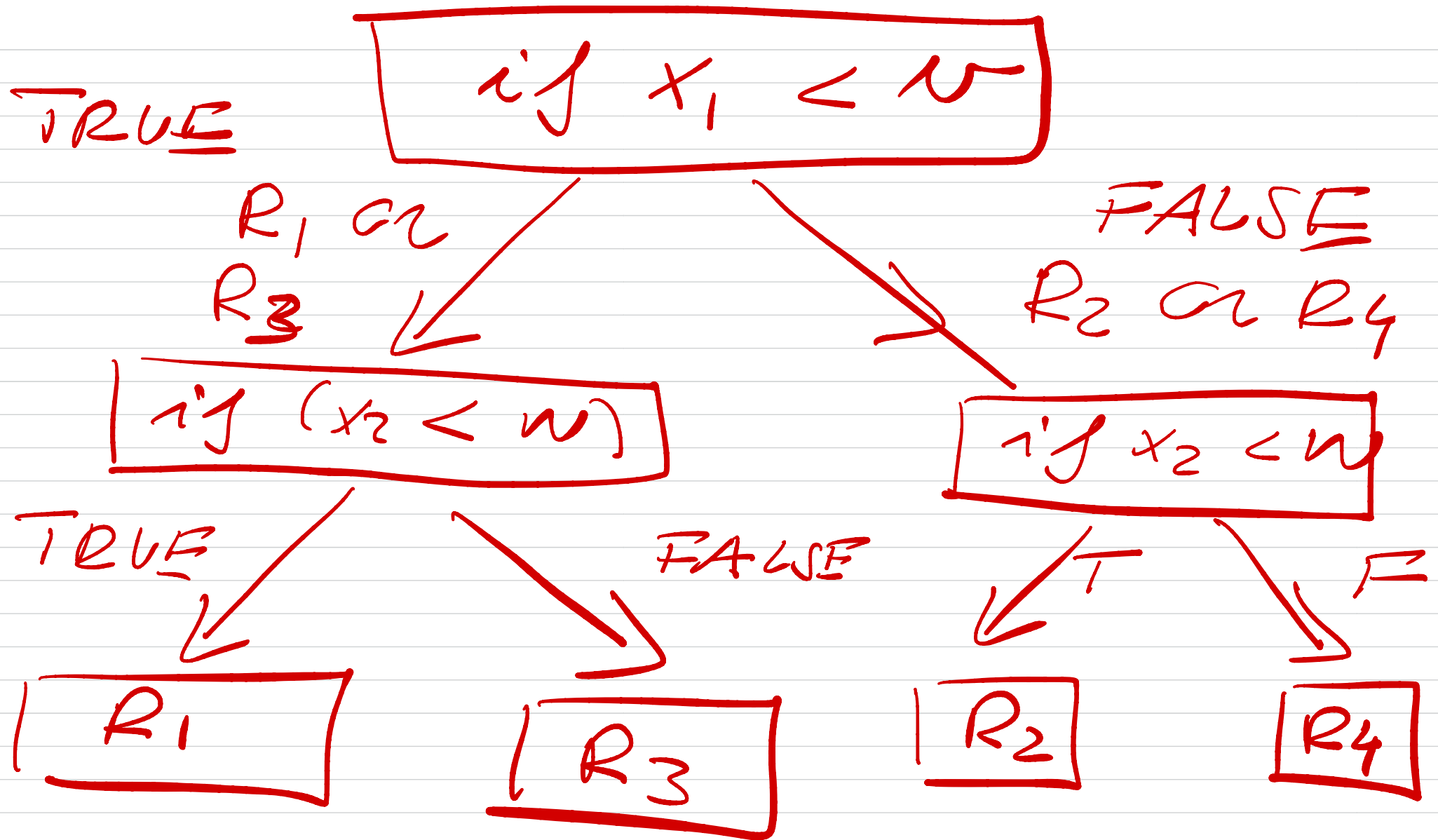
TREE



Regression Tree



$$\hat{x}_{R_1} = \frac{1}{4} (\tilde{x}_1 + \tilde{x}_2 + \tilde{x}_3 + \tilde{x}_4)$$



Regression prediction =
average value in a Region R_i