

Duration of Unemployment - Trees

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> library(catdata)
> data(unemployment, package="catdata")
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To fit a tree for the unemployment data we use "ctree" from the library "party".

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> library(party)
> tree1<-ctree(as.factor(durbin)~age, data=unemployment)
> plot(tree1)
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The fitted regression function can be obtained by computing the respective means within the identified regions and plot them as function of age.

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> unemployment$durbin[unemployment$durbin==2]<-0
> year<- unemployment$age
> year [unemployment$age<29.5] <- 1
> year [unemployment$age>29.5 & unemployment$age<52.5] <- 2
> year [unemployment$age>52.5] <- 3
> pre3 <- mean(unemployment$durbin[year==3])
> pre2 <- mean(unemployment$durbin[year==2])
> pre1 <- mean(unemployment$durbin[year==1])
> meanyear <- c()
> for (i in min(unemployment$age):max(unemployment$age)){
+ meanyear[i] <- sum(unemployment$durbin[unemployment$age==i])
+ if(sum(unemployment$durbin[unemployment$age==i])!=0){
+ meanyear[i] <- mean(unemployment$durbin[unemployment$age==i])
+ }
+ }
> unemployment$means<- rep(2, nrow(unemployment))
> for (k in 1:nrow(unemployment)){
+ unemployment$means[k] <- meanyear[unemployment$age[k]]
+ }

> plot(unemployment$age, unemployment$means, xlab="age",ylab="",cex.axis=1.5,
+       cex.lab=1.5)
> segments(x0=min(unemployment$age),x1=29.5,y0=pre1)
> segments(x0=29.5,x1=29.5,y0=pre1,y1=pre2)
> segments(x0=29.5,x1=52.5,y0=pre2)
> segments(x0=52.5,x1=52.5,y0=pre2,y1=pre3)
> segments(x0=52.5,x1=max(unemployment$age),y0=pre3)
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