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 - Not ideal for deterministic simulator outputs, but we already know approximations of various sorts are needed for this problem.

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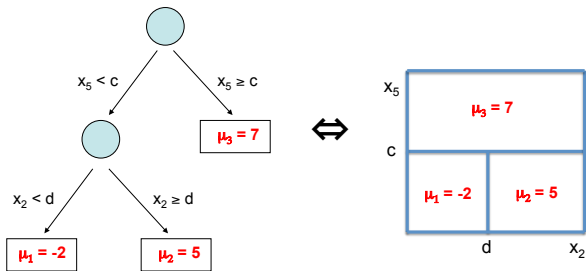


Figure 1: A Single Tree with Scalar Terminal Nodes

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- And let us assume that the observed data, $y(\mathbf{x}_i), i = 1, \dots, n$ is observed with i.i.d. Normally distributed error,

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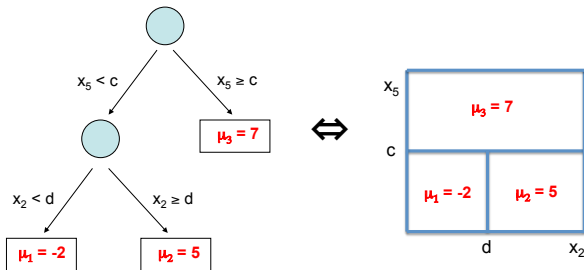
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 - Presumably, if our model definition is useful, we will be able to predict our observations fairly well.

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- There are many ways one might specify a stochastic tree model using these variables. We follow the generative process described in a series of papers by Chipman, George and McCulloch (CGM)[†].

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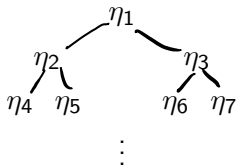
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- For simplicity, a unique numbering system for nodes is employed. η_1 is the root node, and the expansion looks like:



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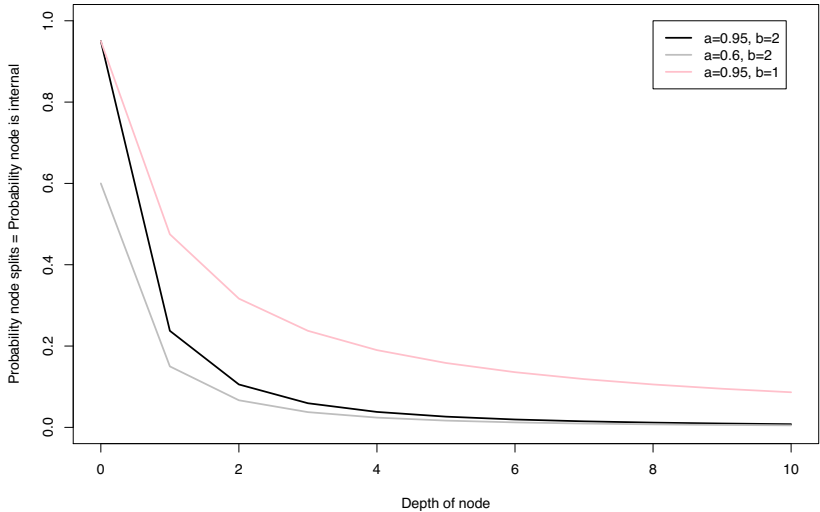
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set.seed(88)
cuts=seq(0.1,0.9,length=9)
nonterms=c()
terms=c()
stop=FALSE
alpha=0.95
beta=2
```

```
# Node 1
d=0
psplit=alpha*(1+d)^(-beta)
runif(1)<psplit
```

```
## [1] TRUE
```

```
nonterms=c(1)
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Example: Unconditional Realization

```
# Nodes 2,3  
d=1  
# Node 2  
psplit=alpha*(1+d)^(-beta)  
runif(1)<psplit
```

```
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```
nonterms=c(nonterms,2)  
# Node 3  
psplit=alpha*(1+d)^(-beta)  
runif(1)<psplit
```

```
## [1] FALSE
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```
terms=c(3)
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```
# Nodes 4,5  
d=2  
# Node 4  
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```

```
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```

```
terms=c(terms,4)  
# Node 5  
psplit=alpha*(1+d)^(-beta)  
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```

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terms=c(terms,5)  
# Nowhere left to grow.
```

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```
# Now select variable, cutpoints for internal nodes
# Since we have only 1 variable, its always used in splits
variables=rep(0,length(nonterms))
```

```
# Now get cuts
cutpoints=rep(0,length(nonterms))
cutpoints[1]=sample(cuts,1)
cutpoints[1]
```

```
## [1] 0.9
```

```
# Now get cut for node 2
cuts=cuts[cuts<cutpoints[1]]
cutpoints[2]=sample(cuts,1)
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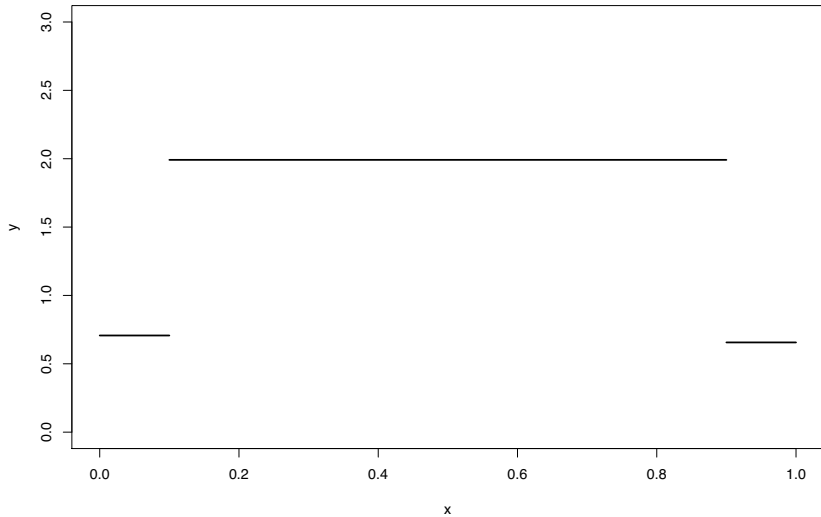
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# Now draw terminal node parameters from  $N(0, \tau^2)$ 
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mu=rep(0,length(terms))
for(i in 1:length(terms))
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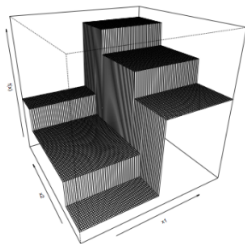
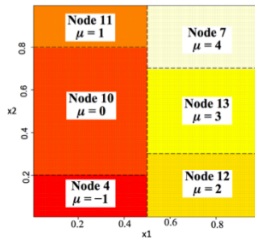
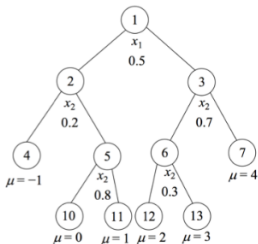
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# Now plot the function represented by our tree
plot(c(0,cutpoints[2]),rep(mu[1],2),type='l',
     lwd=2,xlim=c(0,1),ylim=c(0,3),xlab="x",ylab="y")
lines(c(cutpoints[2],cutpoints[1]),rep(mu[2],2),lwd=2)
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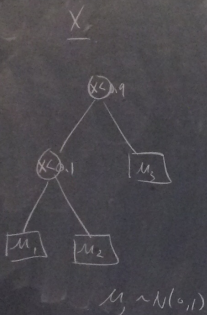
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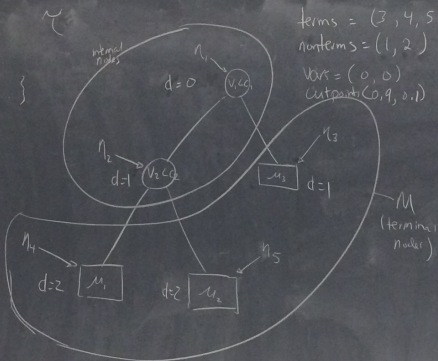
Three different views of a bivariate single tree.



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- nodes n_j 's
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- $\hat{\pi}(n_j, \text{splits}) \propto \alpha^{(1+d)} \beta^{-d}$
(internal nodes)
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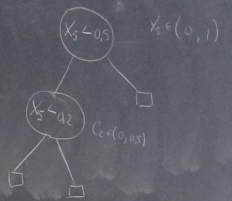
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where n_j is the number of observations mapping to terminal nodes η_j^b and $\sum_j n_j = n$.

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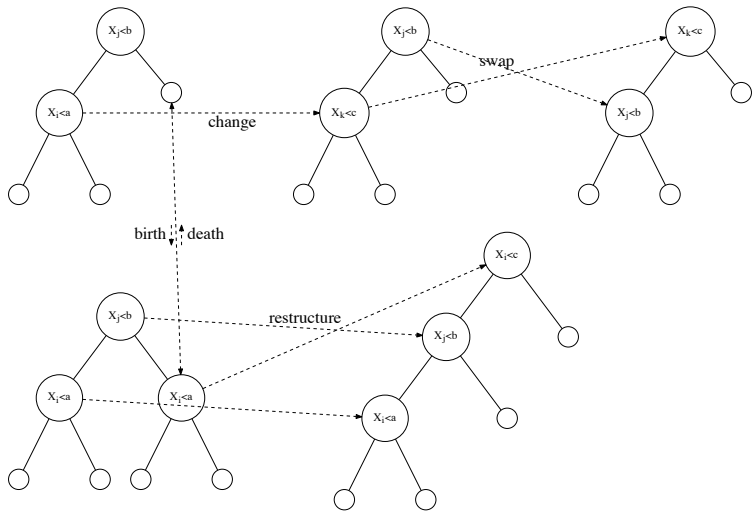


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Example

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source("dace.sim.r")

# Generate response:
set.seed(88)
n=5; k=1; rhotrue=0.2; lambdatrue=1
design=as.matrix(runif(n))
l1=list(m1=outer(design[,1],design[,1],"-"))
l.dez=list(l1=l1)
R=rhogeodacecormat(l.dez,c(rhotrue))$R
L=t(chol(R))
u=rnorm(nrow(R))
z=L%*%u

# Our observed data:
y=as.vector(z)
```

Example

```
library(BayesTree)
preds=matrix(seq(0,1,length=100),ncol=1)

# Variance prior
shat=sd(y)
nu=3
q=0.90
# Mean prior
k=2
# Tree prior
alpha=0.95
beta=2
nc=100
# MCMC settings
N=1000
burn=1000
```

Example

```
fit=bart(design,y,preds,sigest=shat,sigdf=nu,sigquant=q,  
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         ndpost=N,nskip=burn)
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## Running BART with numeric y
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```
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```

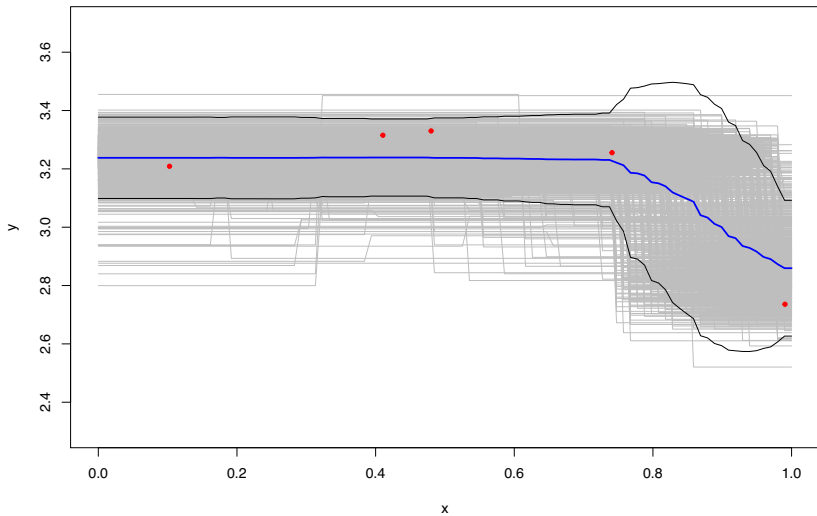
```
## number of training observations: 5
```

Example

```
plot(design,y,pch=20,col="red",cex=2,xlim=c(0,1),
     ylim=c(2.3,3.7),xlab="x",
     main="Predicted mean response +/- 2s.d.")
for(i in 1:nrow(fit$yhat.test))
  lines(preds,fit$yhat.test[i,],col="grey",lwd=0.25)
mean=apply(fit$yhat.test,2,mean)
sd=apply(fit$yhat.test,2,sd)
lines(preds,mean-1.96*sd,lwd=0.75,col="black")
lines(preds,mean+1.96*sd,lwd=0.75,col="black")
lines(preds,mean,lwd=2,col="blue")
points(design,y,pch=20,col="red")
```

Example

Predicted mean response \pm 2s.d.

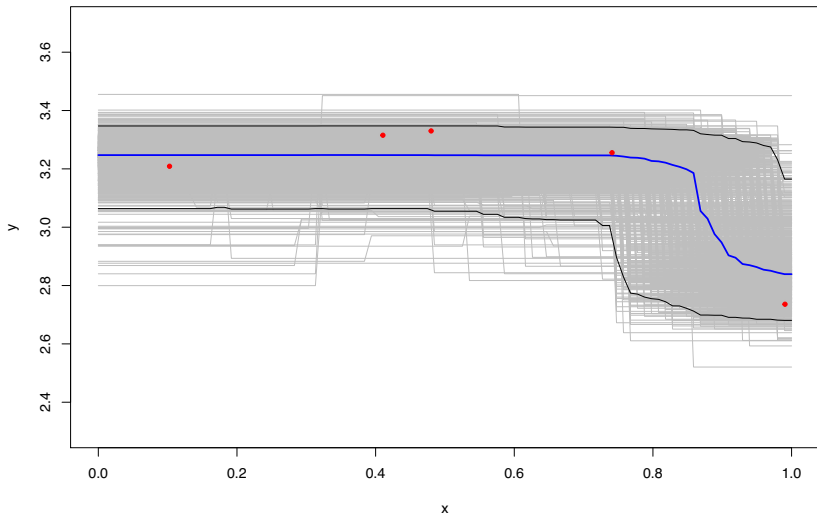


Example

```
plot(design,y,pch=20,col="red",cex=2,xlim=c(0,1),ylim=c(2.3
      xlab="x",main="Predicted median, q.025 and q.975")
for(i in 1:nrow(fit$yhat.test))
  lines(preds,fit$yhat.test[i,col="grey",lwd=0.25)
med=apply(fit$yhat.test,2,quantile,0.5)
q.025=apply(fit$yhat.test,2,quantile,0.025)
q.975=apply(fit$yhat.test,2,quantile,0.975)
lines(preds,q.025,lwd=0.75,col="black")
lines(preds,q.975,lwd=0.75,col="black")
lines(preds,med,lwd=2,col="blue")
points(design,y,pch=20,col="red")
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Example

Predicted median, q.025 and q.975



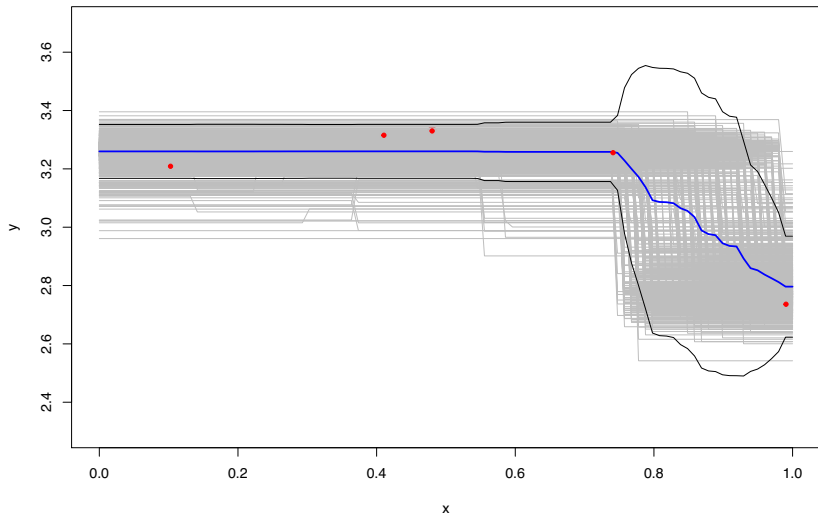
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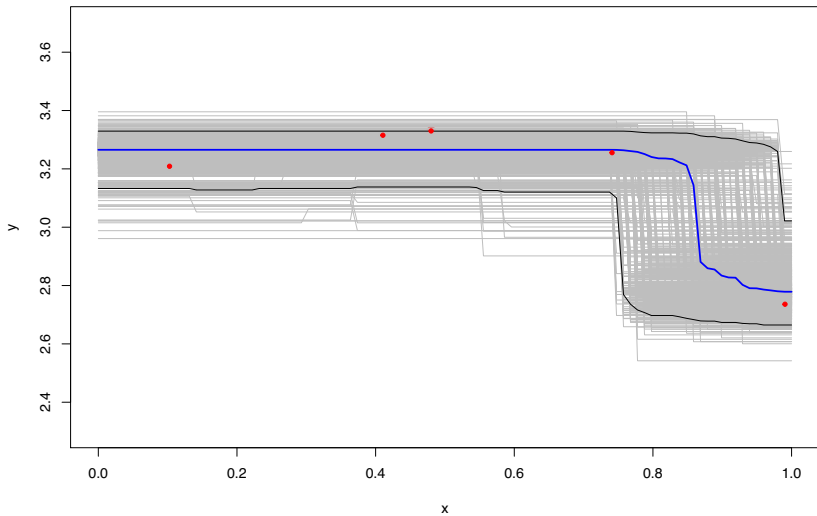
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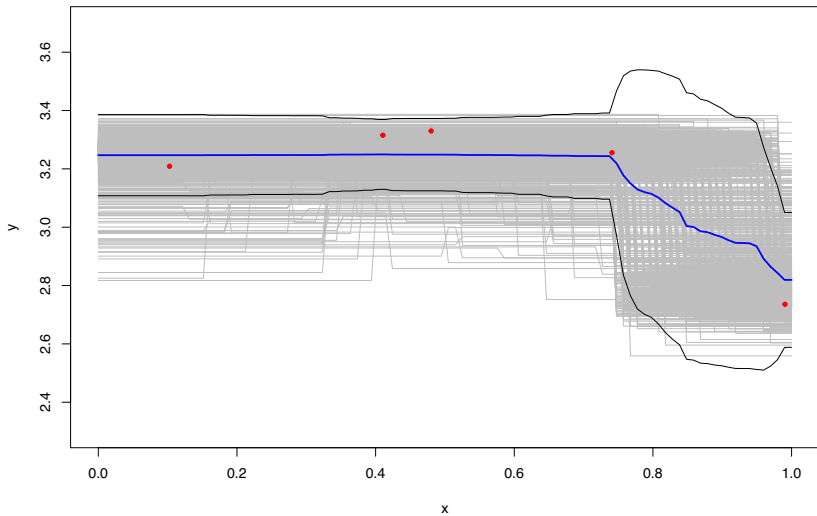
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nu=1
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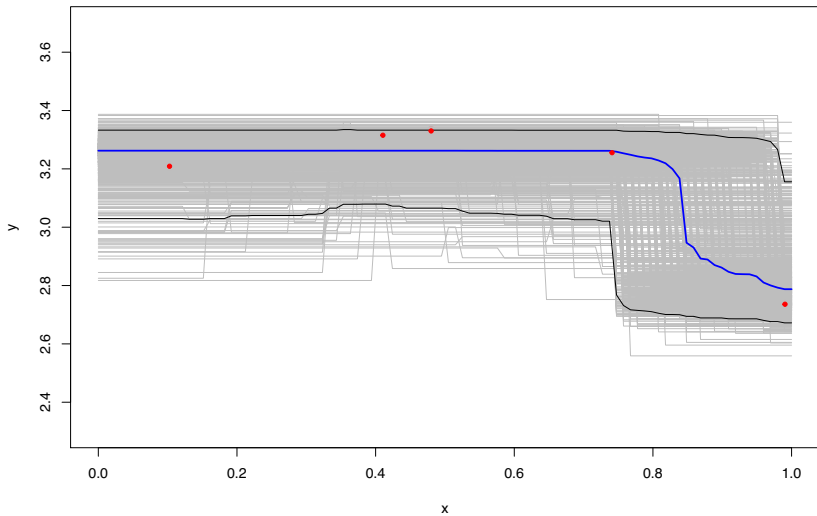
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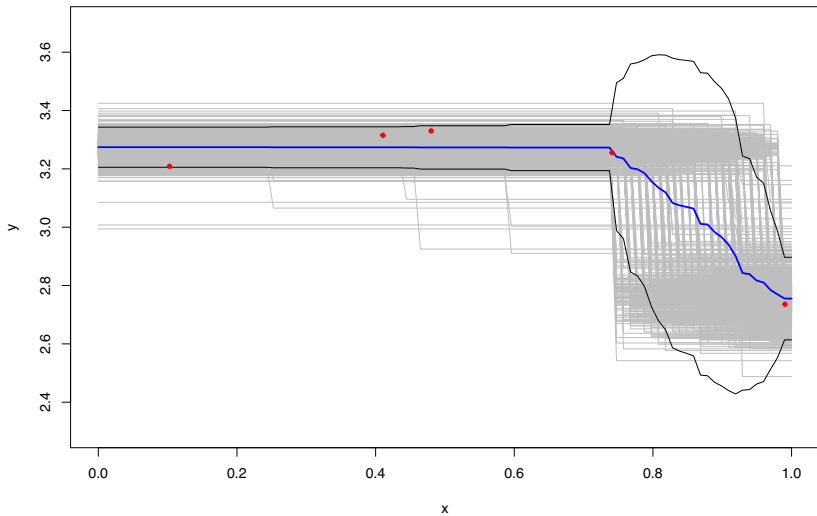
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