Ch 5.1.3-4: *k*-Fold Cross-Validation Lecture 13 - CMSE 381

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Announcements

Last time:

- Validation Set
- LOOCV

CMSF381 F2025 Schedule : Schedule

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Covered in this lecture

k-fold CV

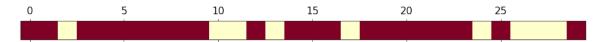
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Section 1

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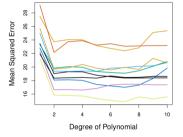
Validation set approach



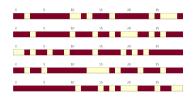
- Divide randomly into two parts:
 - Training set
 - Validation/Hold-out/Testing set
- Fit model on training set
- Use fitted model to predict response for observations in the test set
- Evaluate quality (e.g. MSE)

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Problems



Ex. Predict mpg using horsepower



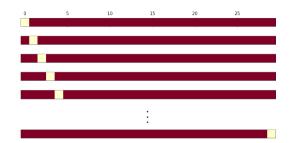
- Highly variable results, no consensus about the error
- Tends to overestimate test error rate

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Leave One Out CV (LOOCV)

- Remove (x_1, y_1) for testing.
- Train the model on n-1 points: $\{(x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)\}$
- Calculate $MSE_1 = (y_1 \hat{y}_1)^2$
- Remove (x_2, y_2) for testing.
- Train the model on n-1 points: $\{(x_1, y_1), (x_3, y_3), \dots, (x_n, y_n)\}$
- Calculate $MSE_2 = (y_2 \hat{y}_2)^2$
- Rinse and repeat

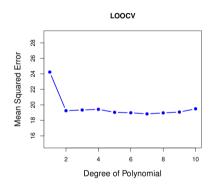


Return the score:

$$CV_{(n)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} MSE_i$$

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Pros and Cons



- No variance
- Higher computation cost

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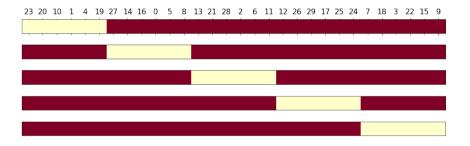
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Section 2

k-Fold CV

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The idea



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Mathy version

- Randomly split data into k-groups (folds)
- Approximately equal sized. For the sake of notation, say each set has ℓ points
- Remove *i*th fold U_i and reserve for testing.
- Train the model on remaining points
- Calculate $\mathrm{MSE}_i = \frac{1}{\ell} \sum_{(\mathsf{x}_i, \mathsf{y}_j) \in U_i} (\mathsf{y}_j \hat{\mathsf{y}}_j)^2$

Rinse and repeat

Return

$$CV_{(k)} = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^{k} MSE_i$$

By hand first!

There are 10 students in the class, and we have data points for each. They have already been randomly permuted below. Write down the training/testing sets for a 3-fold CV

• Damien Fold 1 Fold 2 Fold 3

- Alice
- Greta
- Jasmin
- Benji
- Inigo
- Firas
- *c* .
- Carina
- Enrique
- Hubert

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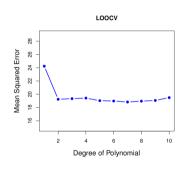
Coding - Building k-fold CV

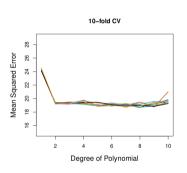
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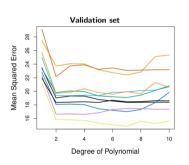
Pros and Cons

Pros: Cons:

Comparison







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