Ch 5.1.4-5: More Cross-Validation

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Announcements

Last time:

k-fold CV

This lecture:

- More k-fold CV
- Bias-Variance Tradeoff
- CV for classification

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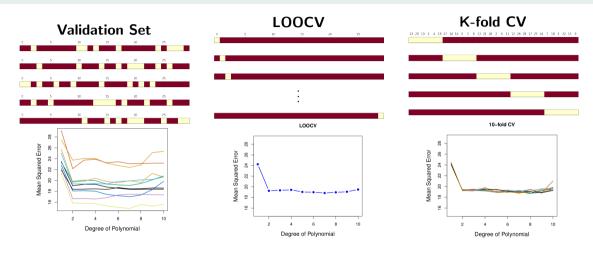
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Section 1

k-fold CV

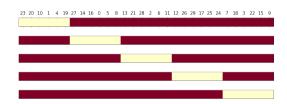
Approximations of Test Error



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Definition of k-fold CV

- 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 $\mathrm{MSE}_i = \frac{1}{\ell} \sum_{(x_i, y_i) \in U_i} (y_j \hat{y}_j)^2$
- Rinse and repeat

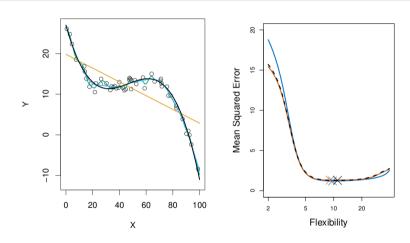


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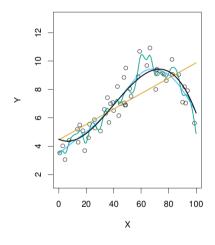
$$CV_{(k)} = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^{k} \text{MSE}_i$$

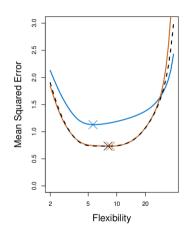
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Comparison with simulated data: Ex 3

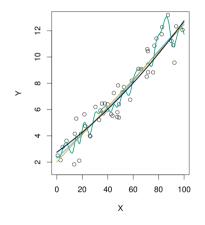


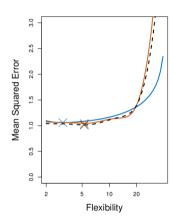
Comparison with simulated data: Ex 1





Comparison with simulated data: Ex 2





Takeaways from the examples

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Bias-Variance Tradeoff: Bias

$$E(y_0 - \hat{f}(x_0))^2 = \operatorname{Var}(\hat{f}(x_0)) + \left[\operatorname{Bias}(\hat{f}(x_0))\right]^2 + \operatorname{Var}(\varepsilon)$$

Bias-Variance Tradeoff: Variance

$$E(y_0 - \hat{f}(x_0))^2 = \operatorname{Var}(\hat{f}(x_0)) + \left[\operatorname{Bias}(\hat{f}(x_0))\right]^2 + \operatorname{Var}(\varepsilon)$$

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In short: Vadidation vs Test

- all the time, we are pretending the validation set etc is the test set...
- when it is not.

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Real-world example: Chekroud et al., Science 383, 164–167 (2024)

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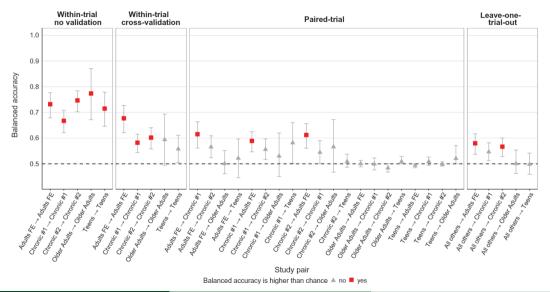
Illusory generalizability of clinical prediction models

Adam M. Chekroud^{1,2}*, Matt Hawrilenko¹, Hieronimus Loho², Julia Bondar¹, Ralitza Gueorguieva³, Alkomiet Hasan⁴, Joseph Kambeitz⁵, Philip R. Corlett², Nikolaos Koutsouleris⁶, Harlan M. Krumholz⁷, John H. Krvstal². Martin Paulus⁸

It is widely hoped that statistical models can improve decision-making related to medical treatments. Because of the cost and scarcity of medical outcomes data, this hope is typically based on investigators observing a model's success in one or two datasets or clinical contexts. We scrutinized this optimism by examining how well a machine learning model performed across several independent clinical trials of antipsychotic medication for schizophrenia. Models predicted patient outcomes with high accuracy within the trial in which the model was developed but performed no better than chance when applied out-of-sample. Pooling data across trials to predict outcomes in the trial left out did not improve predictions. These results suggest that models predicting treatment outcomes in schizophrenia are highly context-dependent and may have limited generalizability.

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Using K-Fold CV on Polynomial Linear Regression

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Polynomial regression

Replace linear model

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \varepsilon_i$$

with

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_1^2 + \dots + \beta_d x_1^d + \varepsilon_i$$

Test your understanding: PollEv

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Faking linear regression into doing our work for us

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Coding - Build a plot for train/test scores vs flexibility

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