

Data100 Sp22 Disc 9

Cross Validation/Bias Variance



Attendance:

<https://tinyurl.com/disc9michelle>

Announcements

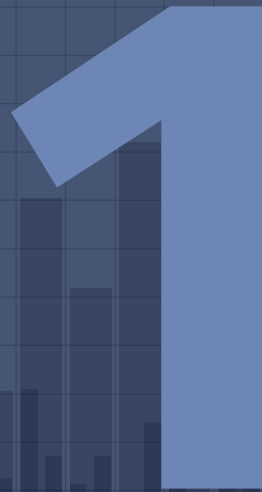
Due Dates

- Proj 1B (Housing) due **TONIGHT**

Other

-Have a great spring break! Q(๑´˘)๑

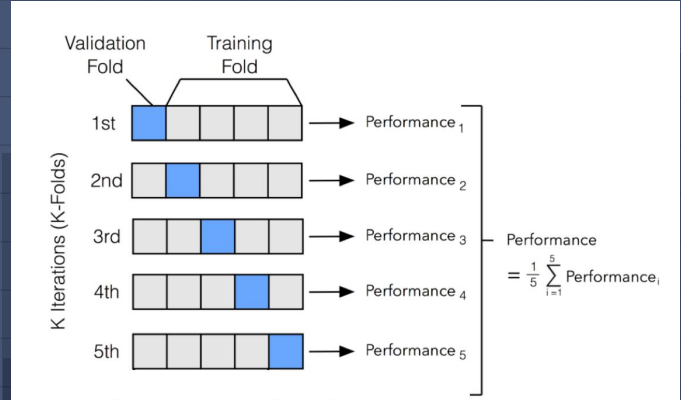
Cross Validation



Motivation

- Test sets are often unseen
- Help us use our data better

5-fold is
generally used →



Q1

1. After running 5-fold cross validation, we get the following mean squared errors for each fold and value of λ when using Ridge regularization:

↑ minimize

Fold Num	$\lambda = 0.1$	$\lambda = 0.2$	$\lambda = 0.3$	$\lambda = 0.4$	Row Avg
1	80.2	70.2	91.2	91.8	83.4
2	76.8	66.8	88.8	98.8	82.8
3	81.5	71.5	86.5	88.5	82.0
4	79.4	68.4	92.3	92.4	83.1
5	77.3	67.3	93.4	94.3	83.0
Col Avg	79.0	68.8	90.4	93.2	

How do we use the information above to choose our model? Do we pick a specific fold? a specific λ ? or a specific fold- λ pair? Explain.

$\lambda = 0.2$

Q2

2. In the typical setup of k-fold cross validation, we use a different parameter value on each fold, compute the mean squared error of each fold and choose the parameter whose fold has the lowest loss.

☐ A. True

☒ B. False

Probability

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Binomial Distribution

$$P(X = k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$

Q3

3. A multiple choice test has 100 questions, each with five possible answers of which one is right. The grading scheme is as follows:

- 4 points are awarded for each right answer.
- For each other answer (wrong, missing, etc), one point is taken off; that is, -1 points are awarded.

A student hasn't studied at all and therefore guesses each answer uniformly at random, independently of all the other answers.

Define the following random variables:

iid \Rightarrow binomial

- • R : the number of answers the student gets right
- • W : the number of answers the student does not get right
- S : the student's score on the test

We analyze the random variable R , which denotes the number of answers the student got right.

- (a) What is the distribution of R ? Provide the name and parameters of the appropriate distribution. Explain your answer.

$$R \sim \text{Binom}(n=100, p=0.2)$$

$$\text{Binom expectation} = n \cdot p$$

- (b) Find $\mathbb{E}(R)$.

$$100 \cdot \frac{1}{5} = 20$$

Q4

4. True or False: $\mathbb{SD}(R) = \mathbb{SD}(W)$.

Q5

5. Find $\mathbb{E}(S)$, the student's expected score on the test.

$$\mathbb{E}[S] = \mathbb{E}[4 \cdot R + (-1) \cdot W] = 4 \mathbb{E}[R] - 1 \mathbb{E}[W] = 4 \cdot 20 - 1 \cdot 80 = 0$$

Q6

6. Find $\mathbb{SD}(S)$.

Bias Variance Tradeoff

✧ very important ✧

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What is bias/variance?

Bias -> How "accurate"/"well" our model is doing

Variance -> How our model performs on other data

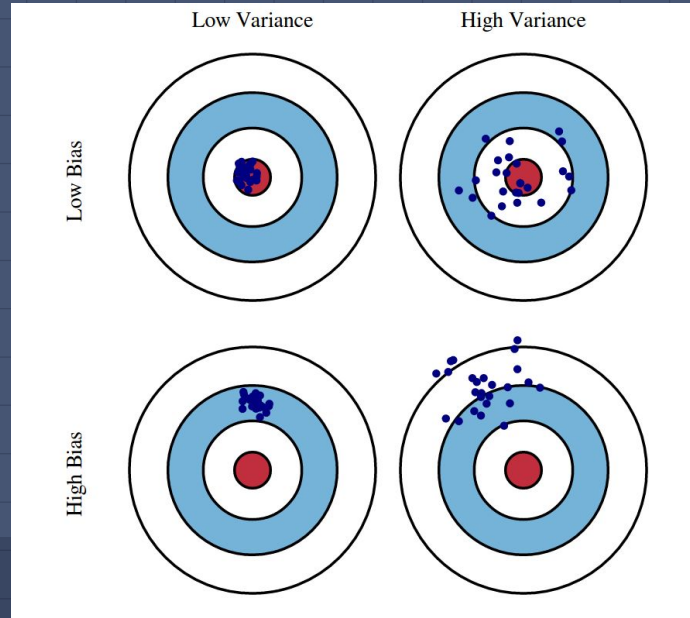
Example: Predicting gas prices

constant model: predicts gas price is always \$1/gallon

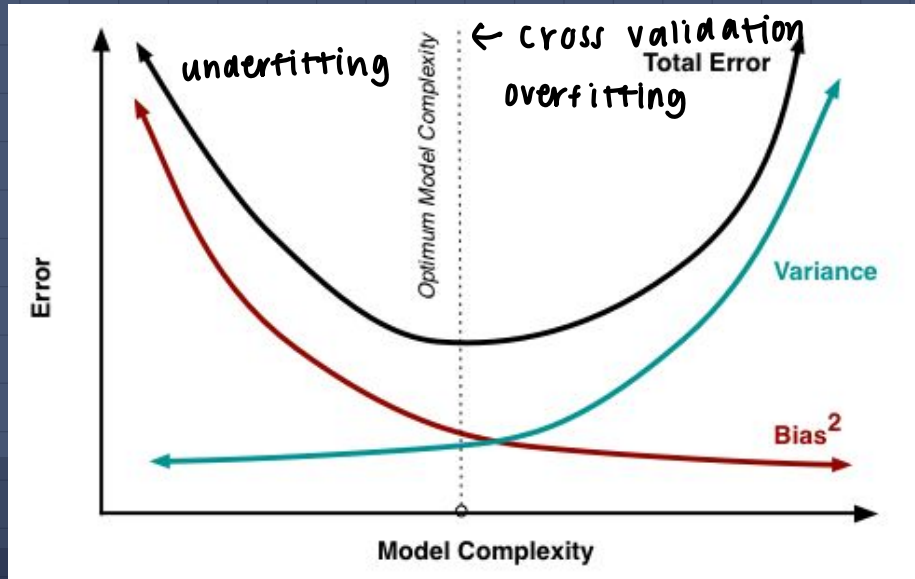
Bias \Rightarrow High

feature: if war/not

variance \Rightarrow Low



bias variance Tradeoff

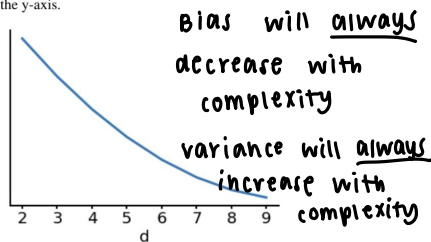


Q7

7. Your team would like to train a machine learning model in order to predict the next YouTube video that a user will click on based on the videos the user has watched in the past. We extract m attributes (such as length of video, view count etc) from each video and our model will be based on the previous d videos watched by that user.

Hence the number of features for each data point for the model is $m \cdot d$. Currently, you're not sure how many videos to consider.

- (a) Your colleague generates the following plot, where the value d is on the x-axis. However, they forgot to label the y-axis.



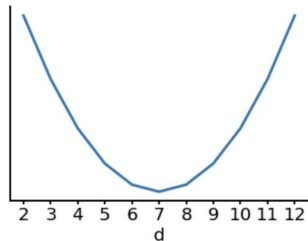
↑ of features

Which of the following could the y-axis represent? Select all that apply.

- ☒ A. Training Error
- ☒ B. Validation Error
- ☒ C. Bias
- ☐ D. Variance

Bias \leftrightarrow Training Error

- (b) Your colleague generates the following plot, where the value d is on the x-axis. However, they forgot to label the y-axis again.



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Q8

8. We randomly sample some data $(x_i, y_i)_{i=1}^n$ and use it to fit a model $f_{\hat{\theta}}(x)$ according to some procedure (e.g. OLS, Ridge, LASSO). We then sample a new point that is independent from our existing points, but sampled from the same underlying truth as our data. Furthermore, assume that we have a function $g(x)$ and some noise generation process that produces ϵ such that $\mathbb{E}[\epsilon] = 0$ and $\text{var}(\epsilon) = \sigma^2$. Every time we query mother nature for Y at a given x , she gives us $Y = g(x) + \epsilon$. (The true function for our data is $Y = g(x) + \epsilon$.) A new ϵ is generated each time, independent of the last. In class, we showed that

$$\mathbb{E}[(Y - f_{\hat{\theta}}(x))^2] = \underbrace{\sigma^2}_{\text{observation variance}} + \underbrace{(g(x) - \mathbb{E}[f_{\hat{\theta}}(x)])^2}_{\text{model variance}} + \underbrace{\mathbb{E}[(f_{\hat{\theta}}(x) - \mathbb{E}[f_{\hat{\theta}}(x)])^2]}_{\text{empirical mean square error}}$$

- (a) Label each of the terms above.

Word Bank: observation variance, model variance, observation bias², model bias², model risk, empirical mean square error.

- (b) What is random in the equation above? Where does the randomness come from?

- (c) Calculate the value of $\mathbb{E}[\epsilon f_{\hat{\theta}}(x)]$.