3. Linear Regression, Prediction

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0.1 3. Linear Regression: Prediction

In this exercise we will apply ordinary least squares regression and the lasso estimator to the Oregon Health data set.

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[59]: import csv
      import pandas as pd
      # You may have to adjust the path here
      Oregdata = pd.read_csv('Oregon.csv', sep=',', na_values=".")
      Oregdata.head()
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We are interested in predicting the number of doctor visits. Thus, our regression model is

$$DOCVIS_i = \beta_1 * TREATMENT_i + X_i'\beta + \varepsilon_i,$$

where $DOCVIS_i$ is the number of doctor visits, $TREATMENT_i$ is access to health insurance. The controls X_i contain the variables:

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- 1. Split the data set randomly into a train (70%) and test (30%) sample. When you split the sample, please use random_state=145. Explain in your own words: Why do we need sample splitting?
- 2. Implement a function MSE that calculates the mean squared error for a given pair of vectors \hat{y} and y.
- 3. A colleague is convinced that the best prediction you can make is 1, i.e., $\hat{y}_i = 1$, for i, \ldots, n . Calculate the train and test mean squared error based on the sample split in part 1.
- 4. Use the two different model specification from Exercise 2.2. and 2.4. of Problem Set 3 and calculate the test and train mean squared error using ols regression. Summarize your results.
- 5. Repeat exercise 4. using lasso regression instead of ols regression (Hint: lin-ear_model.LassoCV()). Compare the performance to the results with ols regression. What model specification/ estimation procedure gives the best test mean squared error? Illustrate your results in a table/figure!
- 6. The function linear_model.LassoCV() includes the parameter cv to apply k-fold cross-validation. Explain in your own words: Why do we need k-fold cross-validation and how does it work?

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[250]: from IPython.core.interactiveshell import InteractiveShell
InteractiveShell.ast_node_interactivity = "all"
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import pandas as pd
Oregdata = pd.read_csv('Oregon.csv', sep=',', na_values=".")
Oregdata.head()
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[252]: #pre-process
      type(Oregdata)
      y = Oregdata["docvis"]
      print(len(y))
      #trtmt =Oregdata["treatment"]
      X = Oregdata[["treatment", "ddddraw_sur_2", "ddddraw_sur_3", "ddddraw_sur_4", __
       "ddddraw_sur_7", "dddnumhh_li_2", "dddnumhh_li_3", u

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[252]: pandas.core.frame.DataFrame

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[253]: #sample split
      from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
      X_train, X_test, Y_train, Y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size = 0.3,__
       →random_state = 145)
      print("Model:")
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print(X_train.shape, X_test.shape, Y_train.shape, Y_test.shape)
      Model:
      (10862, 17) (4656, 17) (10862,) (4656,)
      Explain why we need sample spliting:
      0.1.1 Linear Regression
      Simple Model
[254]: from sklearn.linear model import LinearRegression
       model = LinearRegression()
       model.fit(X_train, Y_train)
[254]: LinearRegression()
[255]: print("Coefficient of Treatment:", model.coef_[0])
      Coefficient of Treatment: 0.26191564758749875
[256]: import statsmodels.api as sm
       Xc = sm.add_constant(X)
       ols = sm.OLS(y, Xc)
       ols = ols.fit(cov_type = "HC3")
       #ols.summary()
[257]: #print confidence interval for treatment
       print("Effect of Treatment:", ols.params["treatment"])
       print(" ")
       print("Confidence Interval of Treatment")
       ols.conf_int(alpha=0.05)[1:2]
       print("p-value of Treatment:")
       ols.pvalues["treatment"]
      Effect of Treatment: 0.2641965998616533
      Confidence Interval of Treatment
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      treatment 0.177349 0.351044
      p-value of Treatment:
[257]: 2.4865426754793102e-09
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[258]: #Define MSE Function
      import numpy as np
      def MSE(Y_pred, Y_true):
          MSE = np.mean((Y_pred - Y_true)**2)
          return MSE
[259]: #predict with model
      Y_pred_test = model.predict(X_test)
      Y_pred_train = model.predict(X_train)
      Y_pred_test.shape
      Y_pred_train.shape
      Y_test.shape
      Y_train.shape
[259]: (4656,)
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[260]: #Measure MSE
      MSE_reg_s = MSE(Y_pred_test, Y_test)
      print("MSE Test Set:", MSE_reg_s)
      print("MSE Train Set:", MSE(Y_pred_train, Y_train))
      MSE Test Set: 6.758826786664225
      MSE Train Set: 7.105773640137756
      Complex Model
[261]: #4 including additional variables to model specification
      type(Oregdata)
      y = Oregdata["docvis"]
      print(len(y))
      #trtmt =Oregdata["treatment"]
      Xc =Oregdata[["treatment", "ddddraw_sur_2", "ddddraw_sur_3", "ddddraw_sur_4",
       "ddddraw_sur_7", "dddnumhh_li_2", "dddnumhh_li_3", __
       \rightarrow"ddddraXnum_2_2", "ddddraXnum_2_3", "ddddraXnum_3_2",
                    "ddddraXnum_3_3", "ddddraXnum_4_2", "ddddraXnum_5_2", ...

→ "ddddraXnum_6_2", "ddddraXnum_7_2", "female_list",
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\hookrightarrow "edu_12m_4", "english_list", "zip_msa",
                    "race_white_12m", "race_black_12m", "race_hisp_12m"]]
[261]: pandas.core.frame.DataFrame
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[262]: #sample split
       from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
       def split(x, y):
           X_train, X_test, Y_train, Y_test = train_test_split(x, y, test_size = 0.3,__
        →random_state = 145)
           return X_train, X_test, Y_train, Y_test
       X_train, X_test, Y_train, Y_test = split(Xc, y)
       print("Model:")
       print(X_train.shape, X_test.shape, Y_train.shape, Y_test.shape)
      Model:
      (10862, 28) (4656, 28) (10862,) (4656,)
[263]: #fit new specified model
       from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
       model = LinearRegression()
       model.fit(X_train, Y_train)
       #print("Coefficient:", model.coef_)
[263]: LinearRegression()
[264]: print("Coefficient of Treatment:", model.coef_[0])
      Coefficient of Treatment: 0.2690040151454135
[265]: #predict with model
       Y_pred_test = model.predict(X_test)
       Y_pred_train = model.predict(X_train)
[266]: #Measure MSE of new specified model
       MSE_reg_c = MSE(Y_pred_test, Y_test)
       print("MSE Test Set:", MSE_reg_c)
       print("MSE Train Set:", MSE(Y_pred_train, Y_train))
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MSE Test Set: 6.634334329279756 MSE Train Set: 6.9826692988567665

0.1.2 Lasso regression

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Simple Model
[267]: X_train, X_test, Y_train, Y_test = split(X, y)
[268]: from sklearn.linear_model import LassoCV
      model = LassoCV()
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model.fit(X_train, Y_train) #print("Coefficient:", model.coef_) print(X_train.shape)

[268]: LassoCV()

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[269]: #predict with model Y_pred_test = model.predict(X_test) Y_pred_train = model.predict(X_train)

[270]: *#Measure MSE* MSE_lasso_s = MSE(Y_pred_test, Y_test) print("MSE Test Set:", MSE_lasso_s) print("MSE Train Set:", MSE(Y_pred_train, Y_train))

MSE Test Set: 6.756416315771539 MSE Train Set: 7.116682378986752

Complex Model

[271]: X_train, X_test, Y_train, Y_test = split(Xc, y)

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[272]: from sklearn.linear_model import LassoCV
       model = LassoCV()
       model.fit(X_train, Y_train)
       #print("Coefficient:", model.coef_)
       print(X_train.shape)
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[272]: LassoCV()

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[273]: #predict with model Y_pred_test = model.predict(X_test)

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Y_pred_train = model.predict(X_train)
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[274]: #Measure MSE

MSE_lasso_c = MSE(Y_pred_test, Y_test)
print("MSE Test Set:", MSE_lasso_c)
print("MSE Train Set:", MSE(Y_pred_train, Y_train))
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MSE Test Set: 6.6341529674946145 MSE Train Set: 6.9944395561231065

Compare Results

[285]: Method Simple Complex
0 OLS 6.758827 6.634334
1 Lasso 6.756416 6.634153

Lasso is a little better