# Resampling methods

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library(tidyverse)
library(rsample)

## Resampling methods

- we discuss two resampling methods: cross-validation and the bootstrap.
- these methods refit a model of interest to samples formed from the training set, in order to obtain additional information about the fitted model.
- For example, they provide estimates of test-set prediction error, and the standard deviation and bias of our parameter estimates

#### K-fold Cross-validation

- Widely used approach for estimating test error.
- Estimates can be used to select best model, and to give an idea of the test error of the final chosen model.
- Idea is to randomly divide the data into K equal-sized parts. We leave out part k, fit the model to the other K-1 parts (combined), and then obtain predictions for the left-out kth part.
- This is done in turn for each part k and then the results are combined.

1	2	3	4	5	
Validation	Train	Train	Train	Train	

#### **Details**

- Let the K parts be  $C_1, \ldots, C_k$ , where  $C_k$  denotes the indices of the observations in part k. There are  $n_k$  observations in part k.
- the cross-validation error is

$$CV_K = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{K} \sum_{i \in C_k} (y_i - \hat{f}_{-k}(x_i))^2$$

where  $\hat{f}_{-k}(x_i)$  is the prediction of  $y_i$  based on the data with part k removed.

- if K = 2: split-sample cross-validation. Our CV error estimates are going to be biased upwards, because we are only training on half the data each time
- Setting K = n yields n-fold or leave-one out cross-validation (LOOCV).

#### How to choose K

- This is a hard quesiton.
- The choices K = 5 or K = 10 are pretty much the standards, and people believe that these give good estimates of prediction error, but there is not really any theory supporting this

#### A example

## [1] 10.30389

## The Bootstrap

- The bootstrap is a flexible and powerful statistical tool that can be used to quantify the uncertainty associated with a given estimator or statistical learning method.
- It can provide an estimate of the standard error of a coefficient, or a confidence interval for that coefficient.

#### In the ideal world

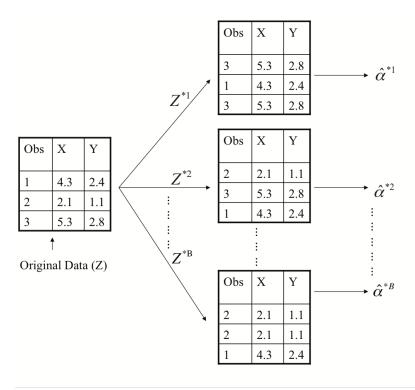
- For example, we have an estimator  $\hat{\alpha}$  of  $\alpha$  and we are interested in its s.d. (to construct confidence interval)
  - $-\hat{\alpha}$  is a function of the observations  $(x_i, y_i), i = 1, \ldots, n$
  - To estimate the standard deviation of  $\hat{\alpha}$ , we could simulate observations  $(\tilde{x}_i, \tilde{y}_i)$ , i = 1, ..., n which have the same distribution as  $(x_i, y_i)$ .
  - A new estimate of  $\alpha$  is obtained, called it  $\tilde{\alpha}$
  - repeat the process 1000 times, we have 1000  $\tilde{\alpha}$ 's and the sample deviations of those 1000  $\tilde{\alpha}$ 's can be used to estimate the s.d. of  $\hat{\alpha}$ .
- The procedure outlined above cannot be applied, because for real data we cannot generate new samples from the original population.

#### Now back to the real world

However, the bootstrap approach allows us to use a computer to mimic the process of obtaining new
data sets, so that we can estimate the variability of our estimate without generating additional samples.

- Rather than repeatedly obtaining independent data sets from the population, we instead obtain distinct data sets by repeatedly sampling observations from the original data set with replacement.
- Each of these 'bootstrap data sets' is created by sampling with replacement, and is the same size as our original dataset. As a result some observations may appear more than once in a given bootstrap data set and some not at all.

#### Example with just 3 observations



#### Notations

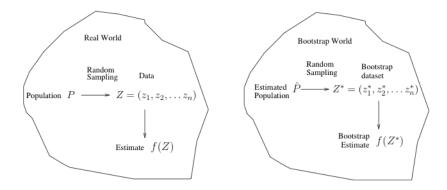
- Denoting the first bootstrap data set by  $Z^{*1}$ , we use  $Z^{*1}$  to produce a new bootstrap estimate for  $\alpha$ , which we call  $\hat{\alpha}^{*1}$
- this procedure is repeated B times for some large value of B (say 100 or 1000)
- we have B different bootstrap data sets,  $Z^{*1}, \ldots, Z^{*B}$ , and B corresponding  $\alpha$  estimates,  $\hat{\alpha}^{*1}, \ldots, \hat{\alpha}^{*B}$
- We estimate the standard error of these bootstrap estimates using the formula

$$SE_B(\hat{\alpha}) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{B-1} \sum_{r=1}^{B} (\hat{\alpha}^{*r} - \bar{\hat{\alpha}}^*)}$$

where  $\hat{\alpha}^*$  is the average of  $\hat{\alpha}^{*r}$ 's.

• This serves as an estimate of the standard error of  $\hat{\alpha}$  estimated from the original data set.

## A general picture for the bootstrap



### A example

```
mtcars %>%
summarize(r = cor(mpg, hp)) %>%
pull(r)
```

```
## [1] -0.7761684
```

To get the "classical" confidence interval

```
with(mtcars, cor.test(mpg, hp)) %>%
  tidy()
```

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 8
    estimate statistic p.value parameter conf.low conf.high method
                                                                         alternative
                  <dbl>
                           <dbl>
                                              <dbl>
                                                        <dbl> <chr>
##
        <dbl>
                                     <int>
                                                                         <chr>
      -0.776
                  -6.74 1.79e-7
                                        30
                                             -0.885
                                                       -0.586 Pearson'~ two.sided
## 1
```

Use bootstrap to obtain a confidence interval

```
boots <- bootstraps(mtcars, times = 1000)</pre>
```

To get the classical boostrap confidence interval

```
## [1] -0.8688659 -0.6834709
```

### Bootstrap Percentile confidence interval

- Primarily used to obtain standard errors of an estimate.
- Also provides approximate confidence intervals for a population parameter.
- Consider the 2.5th and 97.5 percentile of  $\hat{\alpha}^{*1}, \dots, \hat{\alpha}^{*B}$
- The above interval is called a Bootstrap Percentile confidence interval. It is the simplest method (among many approaches) for obtaining a confidence interval from the bootstrap.
- It usually gives better results for heavily skewed distributions.

### Using parallel to do bootstrap

## -0.8695460 -0.6841235

First thing first, we don't want to use bootstraps() function for parallel processing because it will make deep copy of the bootstrap datasets. We will do a more primitive resampling using sample.int.

```
library(parallel)
cl <- makeCluster(4)</pre>
```

```
B <- 1000
clusterEvalQ(cl, {
    # read the data in each worker
    data(mtcars)
    n <- nrow(mtcars)
    NULL
}) %>% invisible()

rs <- parSapply(cl, seq_len(B), function(i) {
    index <- sample.int(n, n, replace = TRUE)
    x <- mtcars$mpg[index]
    y <- mtcars$hp[index]
    cor(x, y)
})

rs %>% quantile(c(0.025, 0.975))
```

```
## 2.5% 97.5%
## -0.8764601 -0.6856548
```

## Using pbdMPI to do bootstrap

See question 3 of assignment 4.

# Reference

- rsample: https://tidymodels.github.io/rsample/
- Chapter 5 of An Introduction to Statistical Learning http://faculty.marshall.usc.edu/gareth-james/ISL/