Perspectives on Computational Modeling



Selecting and Fitting a Model

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Date

Jan 9, 2019 1:30 PM — 3:00 PM

Event

Location

Room 247, Saieh Hall for Economics, Chicago, IL

Overview

- · Define statistical learning
- Distinguish between statistical and machine learning
- Assess the trade-off between prediction accuracy and model interpretability
- Define and demonstrate the bias-variance trade-off
- Define decision theory and identify generic methods for evaluating the performance of statistical models

Before class

- ISL ch 2
- PRML ch 1
 - Ch 1.2 is a succinct review of probability theory for those needing a refresher
 - Focus most closely on ch 1.5

Slides and class materials

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Statistical learning	
Assessing model accuracy	
Additional readings	
• ISL ch 6.1.3	
• ESL ch 7.1-7.7	
What you need to do	
 Register your GitHub username for the course – all homework assignments will be in priv 	ate
repositories. Private repos can only be seen and edited by members of our course	
organization. Once you register your GitHub account, I will invite you to join the course	
organization. If you don't register your account, you won't have access to any of the hom	ework
assignments.	
Start homework 01	
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