

CES 417T - HW4

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2 LFD Problem 4.25

- (a) No, all the models are not validated on the same validation set. The VC-bound will change.
- (b) In this case, the validation model is non-related to the validation set. So it's equivalent to select model from hypothesis applied in \mathcal{D}_{val} .
- (c) Denote $m_i | i = 1, 2, 3 \dots M$ for the i th model. And K_i fit the Hoeffding inequality

$$\mathbb{P}[E_{out}(m_i) - E_{val}(m_i) > \epsilon] \leq e^{-\epsilon^2 K_i}$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}[E_{out}(m^*) - E_{val}(m^*) > \epsilon] &\leq \sum_{i=1}^M \mathbb{P}[E_{out}(m_i) - E_{val}(m_i) > \epsilon] \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^M e^{-\epsilon^2 K_i} \end{aligned}$$

Set

$$\kappa = -\frac{1}{2\epsilon^2} \ln \left(\frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M e^{-\epsilon^2 K_i} \right)$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}[E_{out}(m^*) - E_{val}(m^*) > \epsilon] &\leq \sum_{i=1}^M e^{-\epsilon^2 K_i} \\ &\leq M e^{\ln \left(\frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M e^{-\epsilon^2 K_i} \right)} \\ &\leq M e^{-\epsilon^2 \kappa(\epsilon)} \end{aligned}$$

3 LFD Problem 5.4

- (a)(i) We shouldn't use $N = 12500$ since that is the total data number of 50 years and we only use today's data. Or we shouldn't use $M = 500$ same for same reason.
- (a)(ii) $\mathbb{P}[|E_{in} - E_{out}| > 0.02] \leq 2 \times 50000 \times e^{2 \times 12500 \times 0.02^2} \simeq 4.539993$
- (b)(i) For the same reason stated in (a), we couldn't say buy and hold is a generally good choice since we get this conclusion by only observing 500 stocks.
- (b)(ii) If given the whole data sets and analyze the whole 50000 stocks maybe we can.