

Statistical Learning Condensed Notes

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1 Regression

Meaning of regression: Find a scientific relationship between two(or multiple) variables.

1.1 Basic Concepts

Mean-squared Error

$$\text{MSE}(\hat{\theta}) = E((\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2) = \text{var}(\hat{\theta}) + \text{bias}(\hat{\theta})^2$$

Degree of Freedom the number of pieces of information we have to estimate the population's value.

Types of variables

- Nominal: non-ordered categories
- ordered categories
- interval: numerical, 0 arbitrary
- ratio: numerical, meaningful 0

Centering, standardising data

$$x_{i,j}^* = \frac{x_{i,j} - \bar{x}_j}{s_j}$$

where s_j is j th sample standard deviation.

Sample mean, variance, covariance Suppose X, Y are data matrices,

$$\bar{X} = \frac{\mathbf{1}^T X}{n}$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \frac{X^T X}{n}$$

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \frac{X^T Y}{n}$$

if C is a constant matrix,

$$E(CX) = CE(X), \quad \text{Var}(CX) = C\text{Var}(X)C^T$$

Condition number

Measures invertibility of matrix, high condition number: difficult to invert. If A is normal (i.e. $A^*A = AA^*$),

$$\kappa(A) := \frac{\xi_{\max}(A)}{\xi_{\min}(A)}$$

where ξ means Eigenvalue.

Singular Value Decomposition

$X_{n \times p} = U_{n \times p} D_{p \times p} V_{p \times p}^T$ diagonal of D are singular values of X , in decreasing order. U, V are orthogonal.

1.2 Simple Linear Regression

Simple Linear Model

Given data $(W_i, H_i)_{i \in \{1, \dots, n\}}$,

$$W_i = a + bH_i + \epsilon_i$$

Model assumptions:

- Errors ϵ_i are i.i.d. This implies homoscedasticity: $\text{var}(\epsilon_i)$ is constant.
- $E(\epsilon_i) = 0$

Residuals $e_i(a, b) = W_i - a - bH_i$

$$R(a, b) = \frac{\sum_i e_i(a, b)^2}{n}$$

Least square estimators (\tilde{a}, \tilde{b}) can be found by differentiation.

Variants

- Maximum likelihood: give distribution f to errors, if \mathcal{D} represents data,

$$L((a, b) | \mathcal{D}) := f(e | (a, b)) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(e_i(a, b) | (a, b))$$

MLE (\hat{a}, \hat{b}) given by maximising the likelihood $L((a, b) | \mathcal{D})$.

- When $\epsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$, MLE equivalent to least square estimator
- Heavy-tailed, skew: assign distribution other than Gaussian to errors. e.g. Student's t.

Multivariate Linear Model

$$Y_i = \sum_{k=1}^p X_{i,k} \beta_k + \epsilon_i \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n$$

Matrix form:

$$Y_{n \times 1} = X_{n \times p} \beta_{p \times 1} + \epsilon_{n \times 1}$$

Model assumption: $\epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$

Residual $e = Y - X\beta$, RSS: $e^T e$, Least square estimator:

$$\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y$$

when X has full rank. (Proved by checking $\partial \text{RSS}(\beta) / \partial \beta = 0$, $\partial^2 \text{RSS}(\beta) / \partial \beta \partial \beta^T \succ 0$)

Orthogonality of residual:

$$X^T (Y - X\hat{\beta}) = 0$$

Hat matrix $H := X(X^T X)^{-1} X^T$, fitted values $\hat{Y} := X\hat{\beta} = HY$

Inference:

$$E(Y) = X\beta, \text{Var}(Y) = E(\epsilon\epsilon^T) = \sigma^2 I_n, E(YY^T) = \sigma^2 I_n + X\beta\beta^T X^T$$

$$E(\hat{\beta}) = \beta, \text{Var}(\hat{\beta}) = \sigma^2 (X^T X)^{-1}.$$

Z-score:

$$z_j = \frac{\hat{\beta}_j}{\hat{\sigma} \sqrt{v_j}}$$

where v_j is j th diagonal entry of $(X^T X)^{-1}$, $\hat{\sigma}^2$ is sample variance

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 := \frac{\sum_i (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}{n - p}$$

Note $E(\hat{\sigma}^2) = \sigma^2$. If $\beta_j = 0$, $z_j \sim t_{n-p}$. Use the p-value on the Z-score to test whether $\beta_j = 0$.

Comparing Models:

M0: $p_0 + 1$ variables,

M1: $p_1 + 1$ variables where $p_1 > p_0$ (M1 is an extended version of M0)

F statistics:

$$F = \frac{(\text{RSS}_0 - \text{RSS}_1)/(p_1 - p_0)}{\text{RSS}_1/(n - p_1 - 1)}$$

if M0 is true, $F \sim F_{p_1 - p_0, n - p_1 - 1}$.

Backward-stepwise selection: fit the full model, and delete the predictor with the least impact one by one. Stop when the p-values of all remaining predictors are less than 0.05.

Forward-stepwise selection: start with only intercept, and sequentially add the term that improves the model most. Stop when no improvement is seen.

Gauss Markov Theorem: Least square estimator $\hat{\beta}$ is the best linear unbiased estimator (BLUE). i.e. it has the smallest variance. And this is true for any linear combination of β .

Proof. If $\check{\beta} = CY$ is another unbiased linear estimator, define difference $D := C - (X^T X)^{-1} X^T$ (so $\check{\beta} = \hat{\beta} + DY$). Then by expansion $C = D + (X^T X)^{-1} X^T$, $E(\check{\beta}) = (I_p + DX)\beta$. So $DX = 0$.

Similarly, $\text{Var}(\check{\beta}) = \text{Var}(\hat{\beta}) + \sigma^2 D D^T \geq \text{Var}(\hat{\beta})$.

If $\theta = \alpha^T \beta$ (a linear combination of β), $\hat{\theta} := \alpha^T \hat{\beta}$, $\check{\theta} := \alpha^T \check{\beta}$ are both unbiased and

$$\text{Var}(\alpha^T \check{\beta}) = \text{Var}(\alpha^T \hat{\beta}) + \sigma^2 \alpha^T D D^T \alpha \geq \text{Var}(\alpha^T \hat{\beta})$$

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1.3 Ridge Regression

$\hat{\beta}^{\text{ridge}}(\lambda)$ is the minimiser of

$$\sum_i \left(Y_i - \beta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^p X_{i,j} \beta_j \right)^2 + \lambda \sum_j \beta_j^2$$

$\lambda = 0$: $\hat{\beta}^{\text{ridge}} = \hat{\beta}$

$\lambda \rightarrow \infty$: $\hat{\beta}_j^{\text{ridge}} \rightarrow 0$, $\hat{\beta}_0^{\text{ridge}} \rightarrow \bar{Y}$.

Constraint formulation:

$$\hat{\beta}^{\text{ridge}} = \underset{\beta}{\text{Argmin}} \sum_i \left(Y_i - \beta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^p X_{i,j} \beta_j \right)^2, \quad (1)$$

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_j \beta_j^2 \leq t \quad (2)$$

Analytic form:

$$\hat{\beta}^{\text{ridge}} = (X^T X + \lambda I_p)^{-1} X^T Y$$

This is a biased estimator of β . For $\lambda > 0$, $X^T X + \lambda I_p$ is more invertible than $X^T X$.

Bayes view:

If prior $\beta_j \sim N(0, \tau^2)$ independently,

$Y_i \sim N(\beta_0 + x_i^T \beta, \sigma^2)$ independently,

then $\beta|Y \sim MVN(\hat{\beta}^{\text{ridge}}(\sigma^2/\tau^2), \Sigma)$ where $\Sigma^{-1} = (X^T X + (\sigma^2/\tau^2)I)/\sigma^2$. $\hat{\beta}^{\text{ridge}}(\sigma^2/\tau^2)$ means ridge estimator with regularisation parameter $\lambda = \sigma^2/\tau^2$. Also, the mode of $\beta|Y$ is $\hat{\beta}^{\text{ridge}}(\sigma^2/\tau^2)$.

SVD view:

If $X = UDV^T$ is SVD decomposition,

$$X\hat{\beta} = UU^TY, \quad X\hat{\beta}^{\text{ridge}} = UD(D^2 + \lambda I_p)^{-1}DU^TY = \sum_j \mathbf{u}_j \frac{d_j^2}{d_j^2 + \lambda} \mathbf{u}_j^T Y$$

where \mathbf{u}_j is j th column of U . Interpretation: transform to basis U , shrink coordinates by $d_j^2/(d_j^2 + \lambda)$.

Effective Hat matrix: $H_\lambda := X(X^TX + \lambda I_p)^{-1}X^T$. So $H_\lambda Y = \hat{Y}^{\text{ridge}} := X\hat{\beta}^{\text{ridge}}$

Effective degrees of freedom:

$$\text{tr}(H_\lambda) = \sum_{j=1}^p \frac{d_j^2}{d_j^2 + \lambda}$$

Note: trace is the sum of Eigenvalues of a matrix. The degree of freedom for ridge regression is defined by its shrinkage effect.

Principal Components:

If $X = UDV^T$, $X^TX = VD^2V^T$. Eigenvectors of X^TX (i.e. columns of V , v_j) are called *principal components*

Projection onto principal components: $z_j = Xv_j$, variance along principal components:

$$\frac{E(z_j^T z_j)}{n} = \frac{d_j^2}{n}$$

so ridge regression shrinks coordinates in the directions with smaller variance.

1.4 LASSO Regression

$\hat{\beta}^{\text{lasso}}(\lambda)$ is the minimiser of

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_i \left(Y_i - \beta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^p X_{i,j} \beta_j \right)^2 + \lambda \sum_j |\beta_j|$$

$\lambda = 0$: $\hat{\beta}^{\text{lasso}} = \hat{\beta}$

$\lambda \rightarrow \infty$: $\hat{\beta}_j^{\text{lasso}} \rightarrow 0$, $\hat{\beta}_0^{\text{lasso}} \rightarrow \bar{Y}$.

Constraint formulation:

$$\hat{\beta}^{\text{lasso}} = \text{Argmin}_\beta \sum_i \left(Y_i - \beta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^p X_{i,j} \beta_j \right)^2, \quad (3)$$

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_j |\beta_j| \leq t \quad (4)$$

No closed form formulae in general.

LASSO has stronger shrinkage power, some coefficients are even shrunk to 0 (i.e. variables are removed by LASSO).

Penalty bound $t_0 := \sum_{j=1}^p |\hat{\beta}_j|$, For $t > t_0$ in constraint, $\hat{\beta}^{\text{lasso}} = \hat{\beta}$

Comparison of the simple linear model (ls), Ridge, LASSO when X is orthogonal:

$$\hat{\beta}^{\text{ls}} = X^TY, \quad \hat{\beta}^{\text{ridge}}(\lambda) = \frac{X^TY}{1 + \lambda} = \frac{\hat{\beta}^{\text{ls}}}{1 + \lambda}$$

$$\hat{\beta}^{\text{LASSO}} = \text{sign}(\hat{\beta}^{\text{ls}})(|\hat{\beta}^{\text{ls}}| - \lambda)^+$$

where $x^+ := xI(x > 0)$.

brief proof: By writing out the minimisation problem for LASSO and using orthogonality to simplify,

$$\hat{\beta}^{\text{LASSO}} = \text{Argmin}_\beta \sum_{j=1}^p \left(-\hat{\beta}^{\text{ls}} \beta_j + \frac{1}{2} \beta_j^2 + \lambda |\beta_j| \right)$$

Then consider cases $\hat{\beta}^{\text{ls}} > 0$ and $\hat{\beta}^{\text{ls}} < 0$: in the first case, it can be shown that $\beta_j < 0$ is not feasible, so $\beta_j \geq 0$. Then differentiation yields $(|\hat{\beta}^{\text{ls}}| - \lambda)^+$. Another case can be dealt with similarly.

1.5 Principal Component Regression

Given Eigenvectors v_m of $X^T X$, $z_m := X v_m$ is the data projection onto the i th principal component. Pick M s.t. the first M principal components are meaningful (i.e. first M Eigenvalues are large)
PC regression is

$$\hat{y}_{(M)}^{\text{pcr}} := \bar{Y} 1_n + \sum_{m=1}^M \hat{\theta}_m z_m = \bar{Y} 1_n + X \sum_{m=1}^M \hat{\theta}_m v_m$$

where regression coefficient $\hat{\theta}_m := \langle z_m, y \rangle / \langle z_m, z_m \rangle$. One can define

$$\hat{\beta}^{\text{pcr}} := \sum_{m=1}^M \hat{\theta}_m v_m$$

so $\hat{y}_{(M)}^{\text{pcr}} = \bar{Y} 1_n + X \hat{\beta}^{\text{pcr}}$.

$M = p$: restores least square regression.

Optimisation view

Define $S := n^{-1} X^T X$, principal components are its Eigenvectors.
Assume X is centred, suppose project to arbitrary a s.t. $\|a\| = 1$,

$$y := X a$$

then $E(y) = 0$, sample variance $S_y(a) = n^{-1} y^T y = a^T S a$.

Solution to

$$\max_a S_y(a) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad a^T a = 1$$

is v_1 (first principal component).

$$\max_a S_y(a) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad a^T a = 1, \quad a^T v_i = 0 \quad \text{for } j = 1, \dots, j-1$$

is solved by v_j .

1.6 Spline Model

Linear Basis expansion:

$$f(X) = \sum_{m=1}^M \beta_m h_m(X)$$

where $\{h_m\}$ is a fixed set of functions. The set of candidates for h_m is called a dictionary.

Controlling complexity:

- Restriction: limit the number of bases:

$$f(X) = \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{m=1}^{M_j} \beta_{j,m} h_{j,m}(X_j)$$

for fixed integers M_j

- Selection: Sequentially put in h_m from dictionary that improves fit.
- Regularisation: include the whole dictionary, but control coefficients β_m .

Polynomial Basis

Usually, local polynomials are fitted. i.e. knots $\{\xi_k\}_{k=1,\dots,K}$ are chosen and the space is divided into intervals $[\xi_{i-1}, \xi_i]$.

Common models

Piecewise constant polynomial:

$$h_i(X) = I(\xi_{i-1} \leq X \leq \xi_i)$$

Piece-wise linear: additional basis functions

$$h'_i(X) = I(\xi_{i-1} \leq X \leq \xi_i)X$$

Continuous piece-wise linear: additional constraints that $f(\xi_i^-) = f(\xi_i^+)$.
or use basis functions:

$$h_1(X) = 1, h_2(X) = X, h_{2+i}(X - \xi_i)_+$$

Continuous piece-wise cubic:

$$h_1(X) = 1, h_2(X) = X, h_3(X) = X^2, h_4(X) = X^3, h_{4+i}(X - \xi_i)_+^3$$

Natural cubic spline: two end regions are linear (releases 4 degrees of freedom for knots)

$$N_1(X) = 1, N_2(X) = X, N_{k+2}(X) = d_k(X) - d_{K-1}(X)$$

$$\text{where } d_k(X) := \frac{(X - \xi_k)_+^3 - (X - \xi_K)_+^3}{\xi_K - \xi_k}$$

Smoothing Spline Search among twice differentiable functions, minimise

$$\text{RSS}(f, \lambda) := \sum_{i=1}^n \{y_i - f(x_i)\}^2 + \lambda \int (f''(t))^2 dt$$

λ penalises the curvature.

Unique minimisation: natural cubic spline with knots at unique values of x_i .

Model:

$$f(x) = \sum_{j=1}^n N_j(x) \theta_j$$

where $\{N_j\}$ is the n-dimensional basis for natural cubic spline. Using this f ,

$$\text{RSS}(f, \lambda) = (y - N\theta)^T (y - N\theta) + \lambda \theta^T \Omega_n \theta =: \text{RSS}(\theta, \lambda)$$

where $N_{i,j} := N_j(x_i)$, $(\Omega_n)_{i,j} := \int N_i''(t) N_j''(t) dt$. Solution:

$$\hat{\theta} = (N^T N + \lambda \Omega_n)^{-1} N^T y$$

Fitted function: $\hat{f} = S_\lambda y$ where $S_\lambda := N(N^T N + \lambda \Omega_n)^{-1} N^T = (I + \lambda(N^{-T} \Omega_n N^{-1}))^{-1}$ (Reinsch form). S_λ is symmetric, positive semi-definite. Using Reinsch form, define $K := N^{-T} \Omega_n N^{-1}$, then

$$\text{RSS}(f, \lambda) = (y - f)^T (y - f) + \lambda f^T K f$$

If $S_\lambda = \sum_{k=1}^n \rho_k(\lambda) u_k u_k^T$ (Eigendecomposition) where u_k are Eigenvectors (they do not depend on λ), $\rho_k(\lambda)$ are Eigenvalues, then

$$\rho_k(\lambda) = \frac{1}{1 + \lambda d_k}$$

where d_k is corresponding Eigenvalue of K . Effective degree of freedom: $df_\lambda = \text{tr}(S_\lambda)$. When df_λ is around 2, \hat{f} is close to a linear function.

choice of λ :

aims to minimise MISE $:= E \left[\int \left\{ \hat{f}_\lambda(x) - f(x) \right\}^2 dx \right]$. This is estimated by cross-validation:

$$\text{CV}(\hat{f}_\lambda) := \sum_i \left(y_i - \hat{f}_\lambda^{(-i)}(x_i) \right)^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i \left(\frac{y_i - \hat{f}_\lambda(x_i)}{1 - (S_\lambda)_{i,i}} \right)^2$$

where $\hat{f}_\lambda^{(-i)}$ is smoothing spline estimator constructed with i th point ignored.

1.7 Density Estimation

Aim: given data X_1, \dots, X_n , estimate pdf $f(x)$.

kernel function is smooth function $K : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ s.t.

- $K(x) \geq 0$
- $\int_{\mathbb{R}} K(x) dx = 1$
- $K(-x) = K(x)$, i.e. $\int xK(x) dx = 0$

KDE(kernel density estimator)

$$\hat{f}_{n,h,K}(x) = \frac{1}{nh} \sum_{i=1}^n K\left(\frac{X_i - x}{h}\right)$$

h - bandwidth, n - number of observations, K - chosen Kernel function.

small h : high variance, low bias; large h : high bias, low variance. A good choice of h should depend on n and $h_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Common choices of K :

Rectangular

$$K(x) = \begin{cases} 1/2, & -1 < x < 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Triangular

$$K(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - |x|, & -1 < x < 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Epanechnikov

$$K(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{4}(1 - x^2), & -1 < x < 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Gaussian

$$K(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp(-x^2/2)$$

Expectation and Variance

$$E(\hat{f}(x)) = (nh)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n E\left\{K\left(\frac{X_i - x}{h}\right)\right\}$$

conditioning on X_i , use a change of variable and Taylor expansion,

$$E\left\{K\left(\frac{X_i - x}{h}\right)\right\} = hf(x) + \frac{1}{2}C_3h^3f''(x) + \mathcal{O}(h^4)$$

so $E(\hat{f}(x)) \approx f(x) + \frac{1}{2}C_3h^2f''(x)$, bias $\approx \frac{1}{2}C_3h^2f''(x)$. (where $C_3 := \int v^2K(v) dv$ is independent of x)

By iid of X_i ,

$$\text{Var}(\hat{f}(x)) = \frac{1}{nh^2} \text{Var}\left\{K\left(\frac{X_i - x}{h}\right)\right\}$$

using $\text{Var}(W) \leq E(W^2)$ and similar techniques to above,

$$\text{Var}(\hat{f}(x)) \leq \frac{1}{nh}f(x)C_2 + \frac{1}{n}C_4 + \mathcal{O}(h/n) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

where $C_2 := \int K^2(v) dv$, $C_4 := f'(x) \int vK^2(v) dv$.

Kernel Regression

Define $K_h(x) := h^{-1}K(x/h)$, then 1-D kernel estimator is

$$\hat{f}(x) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n K_h(x - X_i)$$

2D kernel estimator:

$$\hat{f}(x, y) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n K_h(x - X_i) K_h(y - Y_i)$$

Can estimate $E(Y|X = x)$ by

$$\hat{E}(Y|X = x) = \frac{\int y \hat{f}(x, y) dy}{\hat{f}(x)} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n Y_i K_h(x - X_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^n K_h(x - X_i)}$$

this is *Nadaraya-Watson Kernel Estimator*.

1.7.1 Local Polynomial Regression

Local estimator centred on x_0 :

$$m_{x_0}(x) = \sum_{j=0}^p \beta_j(x_0)(x - x_0)^j$$

generally order p is chosen to be odd.

RSS is weighted by a Kernel function

$$\text{RSS}(x_0) = \sum_{i=1}^n \{Y_i - m_{x_0}(X_i)\}^2 K_h(X_i - x_0)$$

In matrix form

$$\text{RSS}(x_0) = \{Y - X\beta(x_0)\}^T W_{x_0} \{Y - X\beta(x_0)\}$$

where

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & X_1 - x_0 & \cdots & (X_1 - x_0)^p \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & X_n - x_0 & \cdots & (X_n - x_0)^p \end{pmatrix}, \quad W_{x_0} := \text{diag}\{K_h(X_1 - x_0), \dots, K_h(X_n - x_0)\}$$

Minimiser: (solved using the square root of W_{x_0} , transform it to form of least square)

$$\hat{\beta}(X_0) = (X^T W_{X_0} X)^{-1} X^T W_{X_0} Y$$

Bias:

Let $f(x)$ be density of X_i , $g(x) := E(Y|X = x)$ is the regression function.

Bias of Nadaraya-Watson estimator:

$$h^2 \left\{ \frac{1}{2} g''(x) + \frac{g'(x) f'(x)}{f(x)} \right\} \int K^2(u) du + o(h^2)$$

The bias of local polynomial regression:

$$h^2 \frac{1}{2} g''(x) \int K^2(u) du + o(h^2)$$

1.7.2 Orthogonal Basis

Inner product on function space: $\langle f, g \rangle = \int f(x)g(x) dx$.

Orthogonal basis $\{\rho_\nu(x)\}$: $\langle \rho_\nu, \rho_\mu \rangle = \delta_{\nu,\mu}$. Expansion of a function in the orthogonal basis is called *orthogonal series expansion*.

2D separable expansion:

$$f(x, y) = \sum_{\nu} \sum_{\mu} f_{\nu,\mu} \rho_\nu(x) \rho_\mu(y)$$

where

$$f_{\nu,\mu} = \int \int f(x, y) \rho_\nu(x) \rho_\mu(y) dx dy$$

f is unknown, so coefficients f_ν are estimated by

$$f_\nu := \int f(x) \rho_\nu(x) dx = E(\rho_\nu(X)) \approx \frac{\sum_i \rho_\nu(X_i)}{n} =: \hat{f}_\nu$$

it is unbiased. Similarly, $\hat{f}_{\nu,\mu} := n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_\nu(X_i) \rho_\mu(Y_i)$ is unbiased estimator of $f_{\nu,\mu}$.

e There can be infinite ρ_ν , so in practice, a linear orthogonal series estimator with truncation (at m) is used

$$\hat{f}(x) := \sum_{\nu=-m}^m \hat{f}_\nu \rho_\nu(x)$$

it is biased.

Fourier Basis: $\rho_\nu(x) = \exp\left(-\frac{2\pi i \nu x}{T}\right)$

$$\hat{f}_\nu = T^{-1} \hat{X}(\nu/T)$$

where $\hat{X}(\omega) := n^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^n e^{-2\pi i \omega X_j}$ is the discrete Fourier transform of $\{X_j\}$.

Fourier Transform of KDE:

$$R_h(\omega) := \int \hat{f}_h(x) \exp(-2\pi i \omega x) dx = \hat{X}(\omega) \tilde{K}_h(\omega)$$

where $\tilde{K}_h(\omega) := \int_{\mathbb{R}} K_h(y) \exp(2\pi i \omega y) dy$ (inverse Fourier transform of K_h). The inverse of the above equation:

$$\hat{f}_h(x)^{\text{KDE}} = \int_{\mathbb{R}} R_h(\omega) e^{2\pi i x \omega} d\omega = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \hat{X}(\omega) \tilde{K}_h(\omega) e^{2\pi i x \omega} d\omega$$

this gives a shortcut to find KDE: take the inverse Fourier transform of the basis function K_h , take the discrete Fourier transform of X_j and then multiply them together and take the inverse Fourier transformation. This is faster than substituting X_j to K_h for each j and summing them up.

Parseval's theorem and Plancherel's theorem If f, g are two orthogonal series expansions i.e. $f(x) = \sum_{\nu} f_{\nu} \xi_{\nu}(x)$, $g(x) = \sum_{\nu} g_{\nu} \xi_{\nu}(x)$ for orthogonal basis $\{\xi_{\nu}\}$ and coefficients f_{ν}, g_{ν} , then

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \langle F, G \rangle$$

where $F := \{f_{\nu}\}_{\nu}$, $G := \{g_{\nu}\}_{\nu}$. The first inner product is in the functional space $\langle f, g \rangle = \int f \bar{g} dx$, whereas the second one is over the vector space.

(Plancherel's theorem) $\|f\|^2 = \|F\|_{\nu}^2$. Energy across time is equivalent to energy across frequency.

1.8 Wavelets

Concept of Multi-Resolution Analysis(MRA): Examine a function at different scales. Approximation space $V_j \subseteq L_2$ (functions in L_2 have a finite number of discontinuities over a finite range) Approximation of f with resolution j : f_j is the projection of f onto V_j .

Defining properties of resolution spaces $\{V_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{Z}}$

- $\cdots \subset V_{-1} \subset V_0 \subset V_1 \subset V_2 \subset \cdots$ (monotone)
- $\bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} V_j = L_2(\mathbb{R})$ (coverage)
- $\bigcap_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} V_j = \{0\}$ (less details for smaller j)
- $f(x) \in V_j \Rightarrow f(2x) \in V_{j+1}$ (resolution increase)
- $f(x) \in V_0 \Rightarrow f(x - k) \in V_0$ for any $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ (translation)
- Exists $\phi(x) \in V_0$ s.t. $\{\phi(x - k)\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is orthonormal basis of V_0 . This ϕ is called the father wavelet. (Existence of basis)

Haar Father Wavelet:

$$\phi(x) = \phi_H(x) := \begin{cases} 1, & x \in (0, 1) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Scale and translation of father wavelet:

$$\phi_{j,k}(x) := 2^{j/2} \phi(2^j x - k) \quad j, k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

j stands for resolution, $\{\phi_{j,k}\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is basis for V_j .

Projection to V_j :

$$f_j(x) := \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} c_{j,k} \phi_{j,k}(x) \quad , \text{ where } c_{j,k} := \int f(x) \phi_{j,k}(x) dx$$

Increase of resolution

$$f_1(x) = c_{0,0} \phi(x) - d_{0,0} \psi(x)$$

where

$$\psi_H(x) := \begin{cases} 1, & x \in (0, 1/2) \\ -1, & x \in (1/2, 1) \text{ (mother wavelet)} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad d_{0,0} := \frac{c_{1,1} - c_{1,0}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Combination of resolution space: $V_1 = V_0 \oplus W_0$ (as ϕ is orthogonal to ψ)

General Case: starting from primary resolution j_0 , wavelet representation is

$$f(x) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} c_{j_0,k} \phi_{j_0,k}(x) + \sum_{j=j_0}^{\infty} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} d_{j,k} \phi_{j,k}(x)$$

Resolution spaces:

$$L_2 = V_{j_0} \oplus \bigoplus_{j=j_0}^{\infty} W_j$$

Relation of coefficients (this allows reconstruction of f merely from coefficients of the highest resolution)

$$c_{j-1,k} = \frac{c_{j,2k+1} + c_{j,2k}}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad d_{j-1,k} = \frac{c_{j,2k+1} - c_{j,2k}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

found using the Pyramid algorithm. In matrix form: $d = Wy$ where $y_i := c_{J,i}$ are the coefficients at resolution J .

Other father and mother wavelets may be used, but the coefficient relationship may change.

Wavelet has m vanishing moments if

$$\int x^l \phi(x) dx = 0$$

for $l = 0, 1, \dots, m-1$. On smooth parts of f , wavelets have vanishing moments so this provides sparsity.

Wavelet Shrinkage

Given model $y_i = f_i + \epsilon_i$, y_i :observed values, ϵ_i :errors, f_i :unknown function.

Wavelet transform: $w = d + e$ where $w = Wy, d = Wf$, error $e = W\epsilon$ satisfies $E(e) = 0, \text{Var}(E) = \sigma^2 I_n$ (because $WW^T = I_n$). By Parseval's theorem, $\|d\| = \|f\|$.
Apply thresholding to w :

$$T_{\text{hard}}(w, \lambda) = wI(|w| > \lambda), \quad T_{\text{soft}}(w, \lambda) = \text{sign}(w)(|w| - \lambda)I(|w| > \lambda)$$

Bayesian Shrinkage:

Due to the sparsity of the wavelet transform, a prior (Berger-Müller prior) can be given to coefficients d_j :

$$d_{j,k} = \gamma_j N(0, \tau_j^2) + (1 - \gamma_j) \delta_0(x) \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

where γ_j are Bernoulli random variables with parameter p_j .

Posterior:

$$F(d|w) = r\Phi\left(\frac{d - wv^2}{\sigma v}\right) + (1 - r)I(d > 0)$$

where $v^2 = \tau^2(\sigma^2 + \tau^2)^{-1}$.

1.9 R-related

A simple linear Model can be fitted in R via `lm(y ~ x_1 + x_2 + ... + x_p)` where x_i are predictors (variables). `summary(lm)` gives the quantiles of residuals, and statistical significance of each predictor in terms of the p-value of the t-test. It also gives the omnibus F test statistics.

Ridge and LASSO regression is done using `glmnet`. The best regularisation parameter λ can be found by cross-validation, this is embedded in `glmnet`.

`pcr` function in library `pls` performs principal component regression.

Smoothing spline is coded by `smooth.spline` in library MASS.

Wavelet: `wd` in library `wavethresh`, it finds wavelet coefficients

1.9.1 ANOVA (Analysis of Variance)

For regression, ANOVA uses F-statistics to test whether predictors in the linear model have enough influence on the response (dependent variable).

Degree of freedom:

$df_T (= p - 1)$: degree of freedom of the predictor

$df_R (= n - p - 1)$: degree of freedom of residuals

Sums of square:

SST: $\sum_i (\hat{W}_i - \bar{W})^2$ sum of squares error for regression,

SSR: $\sum_i (\hat{W}_i - W_i)^2$ sum of square of residuals.

Means squared errors

MST := SST/ df_T , MSR := SSR/ df_R .

F-statistics: $F = \text{MST}/\text{MSR}$

Large F: MSB large, MSE small, so predictor is strong

Small F: MSB small or MSE large, no evidence for the significance of predictor.

1.9.2 Diagnostic Plots

Code: `plot.lm()`

Four plots will be produced:

1. residuals vs fitted values: check whether residuals have zero means.
2. Standardised residuals vs fitted values: Check homoscedasticity.
3. QQ plot of residuals: check the distribution of residuals. See the QQ plot of various distributions in Figure 1.
4. Standardised residuals against leverage, with Cook's distance plotted:

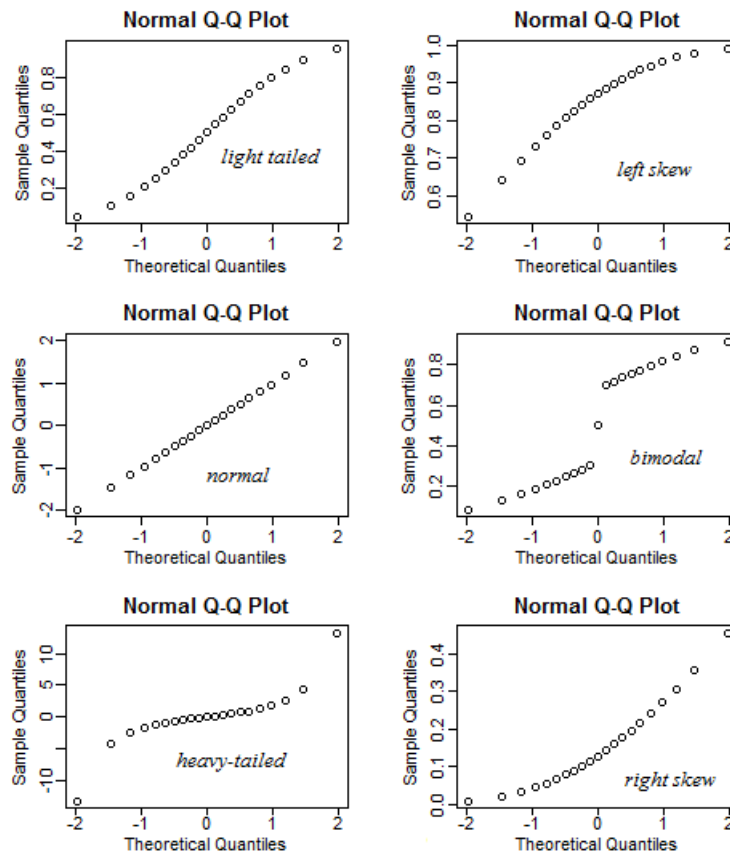


Figure 1: Possible problems reveals from QQ plot

Leverage: influence of each point on the regression

Cook's distance: change of fitted model by omitting a point.

1.9.3 Error Correlation

If $\text{cor}(\epsilon_i, \epsilon_j) \neq 0$, simple regression model fails.

Lagged scatter plot: $(v_t, v_{t+\tau})$: detects correlation

Durbin-Watson Statistics: tests auto-correlation ($= \text{cov}(v_t, v_{t+\tau}) / \text{var}(v_t) = \text{cor}(v_t, v_{t+\tau})$).

It is also worth checking the relation(or correlation) of variables using `pairs(~x_1+x_2 + ... + x_p)` . But mind the scale of plots (you can use `eqsplot` which plots using equal scales).

2 Distance-Based Methods

2.1 Classical Scaling

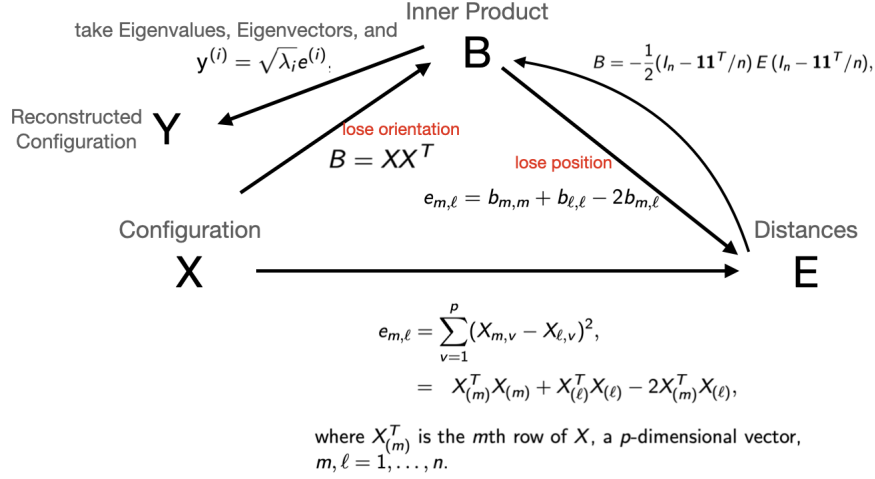


Figure 2: Classical Scaling

Target: obtain configuration $\{X_{m,v}\}_{m=1,\dots,n} \ v=1,\dots,p$ (m th sample, v th dimension) from distances $\{E_{m,l}\}$ (distance between m th and l th point).

Requirements

- Distance is symmetric, Euclidean
- $\bar{X} = 0$

Euclidean distance:

$$e_{m,l}^2 = \sum_{v=1}^p (X_{m,v} - X_{l,v})^2 = X_{(m)}^T X_{(m)} + X_{(l)}^T X_{(l)} - 2X_{(m)}^T X_{(l)} = b_{m,m} + b_{l,l} - 2b_{m,l}$$

Inner product matrix: $B := XX^T$.

Information loss:

Rotation preserves inner product, so $X \rightarrow B$ loses orientation

Transition preserves distance, so $X \rightarrow E$ loses position.

Recovery requirement: $\bar{X} = n^{-1} \mathbf{1}_n^T X = 0$ (the recovery will be different if this is not satisfied), $\Leftrightarrow \mathbf{1}_n$ is Eigenvector of B^T with Eigenvalue of 0.

Recover B from E:

By summing over m of $e_{m,l}$,

$$e_{\bullet,l} = b_{\bullet,\bullet} + nb_{l,l} - 2b_{\bullet,l} = b_{\bullet,\bullet} + nb_{l,l}$$

so $b_{l,l} = \frac{e_{\bullet,l} - b_{\bullet,\bullet}}{n}$. Summing over the other letter gives $b_{m,m} = \frac{e_{m,\bullet} - b_{\bullet,\bullet}}{n}$. Therefore,

$$b_{m,l} = \frac{b_{m,m} + b_{l,l} - e_{m,l}^2}{2} = -\frac{1}{2} \left(e_{m,l} - \frac{e_{m,\bullet}}{n} - \frac{e_{\bullet,l}}{n} + \frac{e_{\bullet,\bullet}}{n^2} \right)$$

Matrix form:

$$B = -\frac{1}{2} (I_n - \mathbf{1}\mathbf{1}^T/n) E (I_n - \mathbf{1}\mathbf{1}^T/n)$$

Recover X from B:

B must be positive semi-definite and symmetric, so take Eigendecomposition

$$B = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i e^{(i)} (e^{(i)})^T$$

assume WOLG first n' of λ_i are non-zero. Define

$$Y = \begin{pmatrix} \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ f^{(1)} & \cdots & f^{(n')} \\ \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{where } f^{(i)} := \sqrt{\lambda_i} e^{(i)}$$

$$YY^T = B.$$

Classical Scaling in Practice:

- Some Eigenvalues of B may be negative, means that distance E may not be Euclidean distance. In practice, only take the largest few positive Eigenvalues. This also indicates the underlying dimensions of data.
- Value of the $n' + 1$ th dimension indicates the error.
- Choices of breakpoint n' :
 - Use $n' = 2$ which is convenient for plotting
 - Place n' at a large drop of Eigenvalues
 - make $\sum_{i=1}^{n'} \lambda_i \approx \text{tr}(B)$
 - pick all $\lambda_i > |\lambda_n|$.

2.2 Distances, Dissimilarities

For entries that are attributes instead of numbers, dissimilarities are used.

Metric $d(x, y)$ (good dissimilarity measure)

- $d(x, y) \geq 0$, and $d(x, x) = 0$.
- $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$ (symmetric)
- $d(x, y) + d(y, z) \geq d(x, z)$ (triangular inequality)

$\{d_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}}$ is family of metrics $\Rightarrow \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} d_\alpha$ is metric.

Hamming distance: number of disagreements/mismatch of attributes. It is a metric.

Contingency table: Count the number of times each object has an attribute

		Attributes of x	
		Yes	No
Attributes of y	Yes	a	b
	No	c	d

Dissimilarity/Similarity measures

- (Hamming distance) $b + c$
- (Simple matching Coefficient) $(a + d)/(a + b + c + d)$
- (Jaccard Distance) $d_J(x, y) := (b + c)/(a + b + c)$.
- Maximum difference (L_∞ norm)
- Manhattan distance (L_1 norm)
- Canberra distance, weighted L_1 norm,

$$\sum_q \frac{|x_q - u_q|}{|x_q| + |u_q|}$$

- if the variable is ordinal/continuous:

$$S_{i,j} = 1 - \frac{|x_i - x_j|}{r}$$

where r is the range of values

- if the variable is nominal $S_{i,j} = \delta_{x_i, x_j}$

Combination of metrics: Gower's similarity coefficients

$$S_{i,j} = \frac{\sum_q w_{i,j,q} S_{i,j,q}}{\sum_q w_{i,j,q}}$$

$w_{i,j,q}$ is confidence in variable q , $S_{i,j,q}$ is the similarity between i, j on variable q .

2.3 Non-metric Scaling

Given dissimilarities $\{\delta_{m,l}\}$, try to find a good configuration so that Euclidean distances $d_{m,l}$ is close to $\{\delta_{m,l}\}$.
Steps:

1. Re-order the data so that the dissimilarities $\{\delta_{m,l}\}$ are in increasing order.
2. Find a good initial configuration $x_{i,k}^{(0)}$
 - Random: each entry is taken from $\text{Unif}([0, 1])$
 - Kruskal: L -shaped
 - Classical Scaling: convert $\{\delta_{m,l}\}$ to numerical, use classical scaling to give a "rough" solution.

Choice of dimensions of initial configuration: start with high dimensions, obtain the optimal configuration, then project to lower dimensions and keep iterating. Final dimensions cannot be 1, usually, 2, 3 are chosen. But one can also look at the plot of optimal stress versus dimension and find the elbow.

3. Calculate distances $d_{m,l}$ from the initial configuration, and use least square monotone regression to obtain $\hat{d}_{m,l}$ which is ordered in the same way as $\{\delta_{m,l}\}$ (i.e. monotone increasing).
4. Calculate stress function: (measures how different the distance of created configuration is to the dissimilarities)

$$S(X) := \sqrt{\frac{S^*}{T^*}}, \quad S^* := \sum_{m < l} (d_{m,l} - \hat{d}_{m,l})^2, \quad T^* := \sum_{m < l} d_{m,l}^2$$

5. Minimise stress function by an iterative algorithm. e.g. gradient descent

Monotone Regression: fix y_i , aims to minimise $\sum_i (y_i - z_i)^2$ subjected to $z_1 \leq z_2 \leq \dots$ (monotone increasing)

Miles Algorithm: Put y_i into singleton blocks, scan through all blocks if there is a decreasing/constant jump, merge the two blocks and replace all of them with their mean. Stop when all jump between blocks are strictly increasing.

Young's Boundary Search Algorithm: Start with first two y_i , perform one scan of Miles Algorithm, then add next y_i and scan again.

Stress function: By the chain rule,

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial x_{i,k}} = \frac{S}{2} \left(\frac{1}{S^*} \frac{\partial S^*}{\partial x_{i,k}} - \frac{1}{T^*} \frac{\partial T^*}{\partial x_{i,k}} \right)$$

Using definitions of S^*, T^* and chain rule again,

$$\frac{\partial T^*}{\partial x_{i,k}} = 2 \sum_{m < l} (x_{m,k} - x_{l,k}) \left(\frac{\partial x_{m,k}}{\partial x_{i,k}} - \frac{\partial x_{l,k}}{\partial x_{i,k}} \right), \quad \frac{\partial S^*}{\partial x_{i,k}} = \sum_{m < l} 2(d_{m,l} - \hat{d}_{m,l}) \frac{x_{m,k} - x_{l,k}}{d_{m,l}} \left(\frac{\partial x_{m,k}}{\partial x_{i,k}} - \frac{\partial x_{l,k}}{\partial x_{i,k}} \right)$$

For the derivative of S^* , $\partial \hat{d}_{m,l} / \partial x_{i,k}$ is involved, but since \hat{d} is piece-wise constant by its design, this part turns out to be 0.

S is exactly once differentiable (higher derivatives not suitable for analysis)

2.4 Procrustes Analysis

Purpose

- Assess the performance of scaling methods
- compare two configurations produced by scaling
- match natural specimens to identify species

Given configurations $X, Y \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times K}$ where n is the number of samples, K is the number of features. Target: compare the two configurations. i.e. minimise

$$G(X, Y) = \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^n (X_{i,k} - Y_{i,k})^2$$

under translation, rotation, reflection, scaling or similarity operations.

Translation: Write out $G(X, Y)$ by bridging of \bar{X}_k and \bar{Y}_k ,

$$G(X, Y) = \sum_{i,k} (X_{i,k} - \bar{X}_k)^2 + \sum_{i,k} (Y_{i,k} - \bar{Y}_k)^2 + \sum_{i,k} (\bar{X}_k - \bar{Y}_k)^2 + \dots + 2 \sum_{i,k} (X_{i,k} - \bar{X}_k)(Y_{i,k} - \bar{Y}_k)$$

minimise w.r.t Y yields $\bar{Y}_k = \bar{X}_k$.

Rotation: if $A = YP$ where P is rotation matrix

$$G(X, A) = \sum_{i,k} (X_{i,k} - YP)^2 = \text{tr}\{(X - A)^T(X - A)\} = \langle YP - X, YP - X \rangle_F$$

expand and use properties of trace (invariant under circulation),

$$G(X, A) = -2\langle P, YPY^T X \rangle_F = -2\langle U^T PV, \Sigma \rangle_F = -\sum_{i,i} S_{i,i} \Sigma_{i,i}$$

where $Y^T X = U\Sigma V^T$ is the SVD. $S := U^T PV$ is orthogonal so $|S_{i,i}| \leq 1$. Therefore, G is minimised when $S = I$, i.e. $P = UV^T$.

When this P is taken, distance $G(X, YP) = \|Y\|_F^2 + \|X\|_F^2 - 2 \sum_i \Sigma_{i,i}$.

Scale: Minimise $G(X, \alpha Y) = a\alpha^2 + b\alpha + c$ where a, b, c can be found in terms of $X_{i,k}, Y_{i,k}$. Then differentiation yields

$$\alpha^* = \frac{\sum_{i,k} X_{i,k} Y_{i,k}}{\sum_{i,k} Y_{i,k}^2}$$

2.4.1 General Procrustes Analysis

Minimise

$$S_{\{X_l\}_{l=1}^L}(\{R_l\}_{l=1}^L, M) = \sum_{l=1}^L \|X_l R_l - M\|_F^2$$

Solution:

- Pick i , let $M := X_i$
- match all X_l to M , say the matched configurations are Y_l .
- update M by $M = L^{-1} \sum_{l=1}^L Y_l$
- repeat above two steps
- stop until convergence of $S_{\{X_l\}_{l=1}^L}(\{R_l\}_{l=1}^L, M)$.

2.5 R-related

Classical MDS: `cmdscale(dist, k, eig=TRUE)` where k is the number of Eigenvalues to keep. Return: the recovered matrix Y , Eigenvalues (of the recovered B matrix), the doubly centred distance matrix.

Kruskal's non-metric MDS is `isoMDS(d = distance, y=initial_configuration)`. Use `dist(t(data), method=...)` to construct various dissimilarity measures. Missing samples can be dealt (they are ignored when calculating stress function)

Procrustes Analysis: `Procrustes(X, Y)` in library `smacof`.

3 Supervised, Unsupervised Learning

3.1 Clustering Algorithms

K-mean Algorithm: Given configuration $X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$, the target is to divide n observations into K clusters.

- Start with chosen k initial centroids (mean vectors) $m_i^{(1)}$.
- (Iteration s) Assign each observation to the closest mean vector regarding Euclidean distance.

$$C_j^{(s)} := \left\{ X_i : \|X_i - m_j^{(s)}\|^2 \leq \|X_i - m_r^{(s)}\|^2 \forall r = 1, \dots, k \right\}$$

- Update means from observations in the new clusters.

$$m_j^{(s+1)} := \left| C_j^{(s)} \right|^{-1} \sum_{X_i \in C_j^{(s)}} X_i$$

- Iterate until convergence

Self-Organising Maps: Target is the same as K-mean Clustering. Simply speaking, SOM forms a rectangular grid in the beginning. The grid points m_l are called prototypes. (the number of prototypes represents the number of clusters). Iterate through all data X_i , and for each data point, select the closest (winner) prototype, and pull the winner prototype and its neighbours together towards X_i via

$$m_l \mapsto m_l + \alpha(X_i - m_l)$$

α is the learning rate. The choice of the learning rate, neighbourhood region and initial prototypes are aspects of SOM that should be considered before implementation.

3.2 Projection Pursuit

Recall projection $y = Xa$, Instead of maximising variance $a^T S a$ in PCA, PP maximises the degree of non-Gaussian (i.e. how multimodal the distribution is) to perform clustering.

K-L divergence of g from f : measures the difference between two distributions

$$D_{KL}(g||f) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(x) \log \left(\frac{g(x)}{f(x)} \right) dx = E_{X \sim g(x)}(\log(g/f))$$

Entropy: measures non-Gaussian

$$H(g) := - \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(x) \log(g(x)) dx$$

Multivariate version:

$$H(g) = - \int_{\mathbb{R}^p} g(\mathbf{x}) \log(g(\mathbf{x})) d^p \mathbf{x}$$

Note $D_{KL}(g||f) = -H(g) - \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(x) \log(f(x)) dx$.

If f is PDF of $N(0, \sigma^2)$, then for any distribution g with variance σ^2 , $H(f) \geq H(g)$.

Sphering making variance of individual variables 1 and make them uncorrelated. Recall sample variance $S = n^{-1}X^T X$, find $R = S^{-1/2}$, $W = XR$ is the sphered data. (i.e. $S_W := n^{-1}W^T W = I_p$). Also, $\text{Var}(Wa) = a^T S_W a = a^T a = 1$, variance of projection in any direction is the same.

Projection Pursuit process:

- Begin with centred and sphered data W . (Usually have multiple random starts)
- pick initial projection direction a , find $u_a := Wa$
- Solve

$$\min_{a: a^T a = 1} H(\hat{f}_{U,a}(u))$$

where $\hat{f}_{U,a}(u)$ is a density estimate of f_U formed by u_1, \dots, u_n

Note PCA uses centred and standardised data, but PP must use centred and sphered data.

3.3 Independent Component Analysis

If there are p individuals formed by p components, i.e. $X = SA^T$ where columns of $S \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$ are the components. If $X = UDV^T$, let $S = \sqrt{n}U$, $A^T = DV^T/\sqrt{n}$, then $\text{Cov}(S) = n^{-1}S^T S = I_p$ so the components are uncorrelated. But this decomposition is not unique.

When there are more factors than the number of samples, the above decomposition does not work.

Only if S is assumed to be statistically independent, and non-Gaussian, the independent component decomposition $X = AS$ is unique. And ICA begins with sphered data X so that A must be orthogonal.

Mutual Information $Y = (Y_1, \dots, Y_p)$, Mutual information

$$I(Y) := \sum_{j=1}^p H(Y_j) - H(Y)$$

when Y_i are independent, $I(Y) = 0$.

In the case of ICA, let $Y := S = A^T X$, then

$$I(Y) = \sum_{j=1}^p H(Y_j) - H(X)$$

this is minimised over all orthogonal A .

3.4 Projection Pursuit Regression

Use the model

$$f(X) = \sum_{m=1}^M g_m(\omega_m^T X)$$

where both projection directions ω_m and functions g_m are to be fitted.

Error

$$E = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - \sum_{m=1}^M g_m(\omega_m^T x_i) \right)^2$$

Suppose ω_m are already found, minimisation of E is a smoothing problem (e.g. use smoothing spline)

After finding g , use linear approximation

$$g(\omega^T x_i) \approx g(\omega_{\text{old}}^T x_i) + g'(\omega_{\text{old}}^T x_i)(\omega - \omega_{\text{old}})^T x_i$$

The error can be written as

$$E \approx \sum_{i=1}^n g'(\omega_{\text{old}}^T x_i)^2 \left[\left\{ \omega_{\text{old}}^T x_i + \frac{y_i - g(\omega_{\text{old}}^T x_i)}{g'(\omega_{\text{old}}^T x_i)} \right\} - \omega^T x_i \right]^2$$

which is weighted least square regression.

PPR is an alternating algorithm performed by repeating the above two steps.

3.5 Neural Networks

Single Layer Neural Network: Input $\{X_i\}_{i=1, \dots, p}$, hidden units $\{Z_m\}_{m=1, \dots, M}$, $\{Y_k\}_{k=1, \dots, K}$

Forward propagation:

$$Z_m = \sigma(\alpha_{0,m} + \alpha_m^T X)$$

$$T_k = \beta_{0,k} + \beta_k^T Z$$

$$\hat{Y}_k = f_k(X) = g_k(T_k)$$

where activation function

$$\sigma(v) := \frac{1}{1 + e^{-v}}$$

for regression: $g_k(T) = T$ for all k

for classification, use Softmax

$$g_k(T) = \frac{e^{T_k}}{\sum_{l=1}^K e^{T_l}}$$

Neural Network is similar to PPR, but PPR uses free g_m for estimation, whereas activation function σ is fixed for the neural network.

Residual:

$$R(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n R_i(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^K (y_{i,k} - f_k(x_i))^2$$

let $z_{m,i} = \sigma(\alpha_{0,m} + \alpha_m^T x_i)$, let $z_i = (z_{1,i}, \dots, z_{M,i})$. Neural network fitted by gradient descent: assume $\alpha_{0,m}, \beta_{0,k} = 0$ (no intercept), $\beta_k = (\beta_{k,m})_{m=1, \dots, M}$, $\alpha_m = (\alpha_{m,l})_{l=1, 2, \dots, p}$

$$\frac{\partial R_i(\theta)}{\partial \beta_{k,m}} = \underbrace{-2(y_{i,k} - f_k(x_i))g'_k(\beta_k^T z_i)}_{=: \delta_{k,i}} z_{m,i}$$

$$\frac{\partial R_i(\theta)}{\partial \alpha_{m,l}} = \underbrace{-2 \sum_{k=1}^K (y_{i,k} - f_k(x_i))g'_k(\beta_k^T z_i)\beta_{k,m}\sigma'(\alpha_m^T x_i)x_{i,l}}_{=: s_{m,i}}$$

note

$$s_{m,i} = \sigma'(\alpha_m^T x_i) \sum_{k=1}^K \delta_{k,i} \beta_{k,m}$$

Fitting Neural Networks:

- Could be helpful to centralise and standardise data first.
- In practice, the number of hidden layers could be higher
- Choose initial parameter values, usually random, small (close to 0)
- go through forward propagation, obtaining $\hat{f}_k(x_i)$

- Back-propagation: use the fitted values to find errors $\delta_{k,i}$, then use

$$s_{m,i} = \sigma'(\alpha_m^T x_i) \sum_{k=1}^K \delta_{k,i} \beta_{k,m}$$

- Find the partial derivatives and use gradient descent to update parameters

$$\beta_{k,m} \mapsto \beta_{k,m} - \gamma_r \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial R_i(\theta)}{\partial \beta_{k,m}}$$

$$\alpha_{k,m} \mapsto \alpha_{k,m} - \gamma_r \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial R_i(\theta)}{\partial \alpha_{k,m}}$$

where γ_r is the learning rate at iteration r .

- repeat forward propagation and backward propagation.

3.6 Tree

Split the parameter space into rectangles R_1, \dots, R_m , and predict output based on these rectangles. e.g. for regression,

$$f(x) = \sum_{m=1}^M c_m I(x \in R_m)$$

where c_m are constants.

Error:

$$\text{SSQ} = \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - f(X_i))^2$$

Minimiser for c_m :

$$\hat{c}_m = \frac{1}{n_i} \sum_{i: X_i \in R_m} Y_i$$

Search for best split: For simplicity, only binary split along explanatory variables are considered, i.e. split by $X_i \leq t_i$ or $X_i > t_i$. The best split is searched by the greedy algorithm.

Define $R_1(j, s) := \{x \mid X_j < s\}$, $R_2(j, s) := \{x \mid X_j > s\}$, seek j, s that minimises

$$\min_{c_1} \sum_{X_i \in R_1(j,s)} (Y_i - c_1)^2 + \min_{c_2} \sum_{X_i \in R_2(j,s)} (Y_i - c_2)^2$$

note the two minimisation problems are solved by taking c_1, c_2 as the average value over the region. Fix j , the sum only changes when s crosses a data X_i . So only have to search among the $n + 1$ constant values. Do this for every j and find the minimum point.

Stopping usually stop when all leaf nodes contains 5 points X_i or less.

Cost-complexity Pruning

Let $|T|$ be the number of leaf nodes of a tree,

$$Q_m(T) := n_m^{-1} \sum_{X_i \in R_m} (Y_i - \hat{c}_m)$$

where \hat{c}_m is average of Y_i over region R_m and n_m is number of points X_i in R_m .

Cost-Complexity:

$$C_\alpha(T) = \sum_{m=1}^{|T|} n_m Q_m(T) + \alpha |T|$$

Over-fitting: $|T|$ too large.

Under-fitting: error $\sum_{m=1}^{|T|} n_m Q_m(T)$ too large.

Given a grown large tree T_0 , search among all sub-trees T (formed by merging nodes together) of T_0 for minimiser of cost-complexity. α controls the balance between fitting data and the complexity of the tree, the best value of α can be found by cross-validation.

Weakest Link Pruning Sequentially collapse two internal nodes with the smallest increase in $\sum_{m=1}^{|T|} n_m Q_m(T)$, until the tree is merged into a single tree. Then search along this sequence of trees for the minimiser of $C_\alpha(T)$.

Classification Tree Prediction of the region R_m replaced by

$$k(m) = \operatorname{argmax}_k \hat{p}_{m,k}$$

where proportion of class k in node R_m $\hat{p}_{m,k} := n_m^{-1} \sum_{X_i \in R_m} I(Y_i = k)$.

Measures of Classification error:

Mis-classification

$$n_m^{-1} \sum_{i: X_i \in R_m} I(Y_i \neq k(m)) = 1 - \hat{p}_{m,k(m)}$$

Gini index

$$\sum_{k \neq k'} \hat{p}_{m,k} \hat{p}_{m,k'} = \sum_{k=1}^K \hat{p}_{m,k} (1 - \hat{p}_{m,k})$$

Cross-entropy

$$-\sum_{k=1}^K \hat{p}_{m,k} \log(\hat{p}_{m,k})$$

3.7 Random Forest

Bootstrap

Suppose $\{X_i\}_{i=1, \dots, n}$ are sample from distribution F , empirical distribution is

$$\hat{F}_n(x) := n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n I(X_i \leq x)$$

it has derivative

$$d\hat{F}_n(x) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \delta(x - X_i) dx$$

where $\delta(x)$ is Dirac delta function. i.e. Each point X_i is given equal weight $1/n$. Bootstrap sample: can sample uniformly n times from $\{X_i\}_{i=1, \dots, n}$. Multiple bootstrap samples: $\{X_i^{(b)}\}_{i=1, \dots, n}$ where $b = 1, \dots, B$.

Bagging For regression, can take Bootstrap samples $Z^{(b)}$ for $b = 1, \dots, B$, and use them to train models $\hat{f}^{(b)}$. Aggregation/Bagging:

$$\hat{f}_{\text{bag}}(x) = B^{-1} \sum_{b=1}^B \hat{f}^{(b)}(x)$$

True bagging estimator: $\hat{f}_{\text{ag}}(x) := E_{\hat{P}}(\hat{f}^*(x))$ where \hat{P} is uniform distribution on $\{(x_i, y_i)\}_{i=1, \dots, n}$ and \hat{f} is the model trained from $\{(x_i^*, y_i^*)\}_{i=1, \dots, n}$ samples from \hat{P} . $\hat{f}_{\text{bag}}(x) \rightarrow \hat{f}_{\text{ag}}(x)$ as $B \rightarrow \infty$.

Bagging works because

$$E_P \left[(Y - \hat{f}^*(x))^2 \right] \geq E_P \left[(Y - f_{\text{ag}}(x))^2 \right]$$

(this is proved by bridging using f_{ag}) so bagging decreases MSE.

Bootstrap correlation Suppose W_1, \dots, W_B are i.i.d. with variance σ^2 . Then

$$\operatorname{Var}(\bar{W}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{B-1} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } B \rightarrow \infty$$

but when $\text{Cov}(W_b, W_d) = \sigma^2 \rho > 0$ when $b \neq d$, then

$$\text{Var}(\bar{W}) = B^{-2} \left\{ \sum_{b=1}^B \text{Cov}(W_b, W_b) + \sum_{b=1}^B \sum_{d=1, d \neq b}^B \text{Cov}(W_b, W_d) \right\} = \rho \sigma^2 + \frac{1-\rho}{B} \sigma^2$$

does not tend to 0 as $B \rightarrow \infty$.

To reduce correlation, select m of p variables and pick the best split from the m selected variables. Random forest is the combination of bagging and this variable selection technique.

Out-of-Bag Sample

For each observation, (x_i, y_i) , can construct a predictor by averaging only the trees constructed from bootstrap samples without z_i . Out-of-bag errors refer to the errors of these predictors.

A $N \times N$ proximity matrix can be accumulated for the training data, i.e. for each tree, increase proximity by 1 if they are in the same leaf node.

Matrix of dissimilarities: $d = 1 - p/\max p$, then pass D to MDS to recover a configuration called *Proximity Maps*.

3.8 Boosting

Boosting combines weak classifiers (e.g. weak trees are trees that have only one split) to make a strong classifier. Only the Adaboost.M1 will be introduced. Consider a binary classification problem where the only two classes are $\{\pm 1\}$.

Step 1. First give equal weights $w_i = n^{-1}$ to observations $\{x_i\}$. Sample weights indicate how much the classifiers should focus on classifying these samples right.

Step 2. Fit weak classifiers $G_m(x)$ according to the weights. (e.g. for classification tree, weighted Gini index or weighted entropy is used)

Step 3. Find the error rate for classifier G_m :

$$e_m = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i I(y_i \neq G_m(x_i))}{\sum_i w_i}$$

Find the importance of G_m :

$$\alpha_m := \log \left(\frac{1 - e_m}{e_m} \right)$$

- $e_m < 0.5$: $\alpha_m > 0$, and classifier with lower error gets higher weight
- $e_m = 0.5$: $\alpha_m = 0$, the classifier is not different from the random classifier, does not give weight
- $e_m > 0.5$: $\alpha_m < 0$, inverting this classifier would make a good classifier, so let the weight be negative

Step 4. Update sample weights:

$$w_i \mapsto w_i e^{\alpha_m I(y_i \neq G(x_i))}$$

- G_m with positive α_m : up-weight the samples that are not correctly classified by e^{α_m} .
- G_m with negative α_m (inverted classifiers): down-weight the samples that are not correctly classified. equivalent to up-weighting the correctly classified ones.

Repeat the above steps until convergence, the output (strong) classifier is

$$G^*(x) := \text{sign} \left(\sum_{m=1}^M \alpha_m G_m(x) \right)$$

3.9 R-related

K-mean: `kmean(x=data, centers=..., nstart=100)` where `centers` takes the initial guess of mean vectors.

SOM: `som(data, somgrid(...))` in library `kohonen`. `somgrid` constructs a grid of prototypes.

Projection pursuit: `PP3many(data, nrandstarts=100)` it performs PP using 100 random starts, and picks the best one.

Or use the simple function `ppr(formulae, data, nterms, max.terms)`. `nterms` indicates the number of terms in the PPR expansion.

ICA: `fastICA(X, p, ...)` in library `fastICA` where p is the number of components.

Neural Network: `neuralnet(f=formulae, data, hidden=c(5, 3), linear.output=TRUE)` `hidden` specifies number of neurons in each hidden layer. If `linear.output` is false, smoothing will be applied to the output.

Build Tree: `rpart(formulae, data=...)` from library `rpart`. The returned value is an object in the class `rpart`, which can be plotted by `plot(tree)` or `fancyRpartPlot(tree)`. Prediction: `rpart.predict(object=tree, newdata=...)`.

4 Data Ethics

- Think things through
- makes no harm to others, also protect yourself
- ask for permission/authorisation
- be transparent, open
- Do the right things

5 Basic Math Techniques

Jacobian of transformation: if $Y = AX$

$$g_Y(y) = f_X(x_1(y), \dots, x_p(y)) \left| \frac{\partial x}{\partial y} \right|$$

Change of variable of multivariate integral:

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^p} f(X) d^p x = \int_{\mathbb{R}^p} f(A^T y) |\det(A^T)| d^p y$$

Inequality $\log(r) \leq r - 1$

The sum of Eigenvalues is the trace, product of Eigenvalues is the determinant.

$\text{Tr}(ABC) = \text{Tr}(CAB) = \text{Tr}(BCA)$ (trace invariant under circular shift).

Orthogonal matrix:

- The product of orthogonal matrices is orthogonal,
- transpose of an orthogonal matrix is orthogonal
- determinant is ± 1
- Eigenvalues are ± 1
- 2-norm of every column is 1
- always invertible
- rotation gives rise to a unique orthogonal matrix
- magnitude of all entries bounded by 1