HW1

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1.

(a)

For q = 1,

$$E[\hat{y}_{new}^{(1)} - y_{new}] = E[-y_{new}] = -\mu$$

$$Var[\hat{y}_{new}^{(1)} - y_{new}] = Var[y_{new}] = 1$$

$$MSE^{(1)} = Var[\hat{y}_{new}^{(1)} - y_{new}] + (E[\hat{y}_{new}^{(1)} - y_{new}])^2$$

$$= 1 + \mu^2$$

For q=2,

$$\begin{split} E[\hat{y}_{new}^{(2)} - y_{new}] &= E[\hat{\mu} - y_{new}] = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} E[y_i] - \mu = 0 \\ Var[\hat{y}_{new}^{(2)} - y_{new}] &= Var[\hat{\mu} - y_{new}] = Var(\hat{\mu}) - 2Cov(\hat{\mu}, y_{new}) + Var(y_{new}) \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} Var(y_i) - \frac{2}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} Cov(y_i, y_{new}) + Var(y_{new}) = \frac{1}{n} + 1 \\ MSE^{(2)} &= Var[\hat{y}_{new}^{(2)} - y_{new}] + (E[\hat{y}_{new}^{(2)} - y_{new}])^2 \\ &= 1 + \frac{1}{n} \end{split}$$

Bias-Variance tradeoff is expressed as

$$\begin{split} MSE^{(1)} &= Var(\hat{y}_{new}^{(1)}) - 2Cov(\hat{y}_{new}^{(1)}, y_{new}) + Var(y_{new}) + (E[y_{new} - \hat{y}_{new}^{(1)}])^2 \\ &= Var(\hat{y}_{new}^{(1)}) + (E[y_{new} - \hat{y}_{new}^{(1)}])^2 + Var(y_{new}) \\ &= 0 + \mu^2 + 1 \\ MSE^{(2)} &= Var(\hat{y}_{new}^{(2)}) + (E[y_{new} - \hat{y}_{new}^{(2)}])^2 + Var(y_{new}) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} + 0 + 1 \end{split}$$

The 1st term represents variance, the 2nd represents bias and 3rd represents irreducible error.

The more complex model corresponds to q=2, obtaining an unbiased estimator, but with a variance greater than 0. Conversely, the less complex model for q=1, has a variance of 0, but the bias is $\mu^2 > 0$ if $\mu \neq 0$. This trend captures the essence of bias-variance tradeoff, where an increase in model complexity leads to decrease in bias but an increase in variance.

(b)

If

$$MSE^{(1)} < MSE^{(2)} \iff \mu^2 < \frac{1}{n}$$

holds, forecast 1 is better.

(c)

$$CV^{(1)} \to_p E[y_i^2] = Var[y_i] + (E[y_i])^2 = 1 + \mu^2$$

 $CV^{(2)} \to_p lim_{n \to \infty} E[(y_i - \hat{\mu}_{(-i)})^2]$

Note

$$\begin{split} E[(y_i - \hat{\mu}_{(-i)})^2] &= E\left[y_i^2\right] - 2E\left[y_i\hat{\mu}_{(-i)}\right] + E\left[\hat{\mu}_{(-i)}^2\right] \\ &= E\left[y_i^2\right] - \frac{2}{n-1}E\left[y_i\sum_{j\neq i}y_j\right] + \frac{1}{(n-1)^2}E\left[\sum_{j\neq i}y_j^2 + \sum_{j\neq i}\sum_{k\neq j\land \neq i}y_jy_k\right] \\ &= \left(1 + \frac{1}{n-1}\right)E\left[y_i^2\right] - \frac{2(n-1)}{n-1}\mu^2 + \frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{(n-1)^2}\mu^2 \\ &= \left(1 + \frac{1}{n-1}\right)(1 + \mu^2) - \frac{n}{n-1}\mu^2 \\ &= \left(1 + \frac{1}{n-1}\right)(1 + \mu^2) - \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}}\mu^2 \end{split}$$

Therefore,

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} \left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{n-1} \right) (1 + \mu^2) - \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{n}} \mu^2 \right] = 1 + \mu^2 - \mu^2 = 1$$

Hence,

$$1 < 1 + \mu^2 \iff CV^{(2)} < CV^{(1)}$$

holds. Then leave-one-out cross-validation chooses the correct forecaset, which is q=2.

2.

(a)

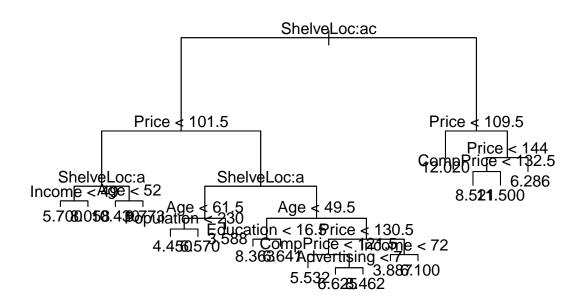
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data("Carseats")
set.seed(123)
# Split data set for the tranning and test#
train = sample(1:nrow(Carseats), nrow(Carseats)/2)
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(b)

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# Create a regression tree for housing price prediction using training data #
tree.car = tree(Sales ~ ., data = Carseats, subset = train)

yhat.b = predict(tree.car, newdata = Carseats[-train, ])
car.test = Carseats[-train, "Sales"]

# Plot the regression tree #
plot(tree.car)
text(tree.car)
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#MSE
mse.b <- mean((yhat.b - car.test)^2);mse.b

## [1] 4.395357

(c)

cv.car = cv.tree(tree.car)
# Plot cross-validation error #
#plot(cv.car$size, cv.car$dev, type='b')</pre>
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# Optimal size selected by cross-validation #
size = cv.car$size[which(cv.car$dev == min(cv.car$dev))];size
## [1] 15
# Learn the regression tree with the selected size using recursive binary splitting #
prune.car = prune.tree(tree.car, best = size)
yhat.c = predict(prune.car, newdata = Carseats[-train, ])
# Mean squared error on the test data #
mse.c<-mean((yhat.c - car.test)^2);mse.c</pre>
## [1] 4.591618
mse.b - mse.c
## [1] -0.1962603
Hence, MSE(b) < MSE(c) hold. It implies cross-validation does not decrease the test data MSE.
(d)
##Bagging##
bag.car=randomForest(Sales~.,data=Carseats,subset=train,mtry=10,importance=TRUE)
yhat.bag = predict(bag.car, newdata = Carseats[-train, ])
# Mean squared error on the test data #
mse.d <- mean((yhat.bag - car.test)^2);mse.d</pre>
## [1] 2.706945
importance(bag.car)
##
                   %IncMSE IncNodePurity
## CompPrice
               20.45893952
                              163.315084
## Income
              5.99352172
                               88.626184
## Advertising 6.70900949
                               73.007073
## Population -1.84004720
                               53.079505
## Price
               46.01586429
                              395.251820
## ShelveLoc 49.31816789
                              391.948958
                              171.659574
## Age
               17.74691675
## Education
             2.98753578
                               57.308595
## Urban
              0.04864498
                                7.721022
## US
               0.05207339
                                6.011265
(e)
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## Prediction using random forest with mtry=p^{1/2} ##
rf.car = randomForest(Sales ~ ., data = Carseats, subset = train, importance = TRUE)
yhat.rf = predict(rf.car, newdata = Carseats[-train, ])
mse.e <- mean((yhat.rf - car.test)^2)</pre>
mse.e
## [1] 3.575026
# Compute variable importance #
importance(rf.car)
                  %IncMSE IncNodePurity
##
## CompPrice
                              151.60036
               11.2053520
## Income
               4.3779492
                              117.99648
## Advertising 6.1512828
                               96.48365
## Population -0.2036319
                              104.22389
## Price
           29.8215710
                              297.83618
## ShelveLoc 34.5359445
                              279.70714
             18.8567285
                              208.55522
## Age
                             72.05700
## Education 1.5141906
## Urban -1.2098009
                             15.28180
## US
              2.7549016
                             15.43075
(f)
##Gradient Tree Boosting##
boost.car <- gbm(Sales ~ ., data = Carseats[train, ],</pre>
                    distribution = "gaussian", n.trees = 5000,
                    interaction.depth = 4)
## Compute test data MSE ##
yhat.boost <- predict(boost.car, newdata = Carseats[-train, ], n.trees = 5000)</pre>
mse.f <- mean((yhat.boost - car.test)^2);mse.f</pre>
## [1] 1.97581
(g)
mse <- c(mse.b,mse.c,mse.d,mse.e,mse.f)</pre>
which(mse == min(mse))
## [1] 5
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Hence the boosting acheives the smallest MSE.