

Announcements

- Homework 6 is due Tuesday
 - My office hours tomorrow will be 11 AM - 12 PM.
 - Email is coming for vote on midterm ground rules
 - Project Assignment will be posted soon
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Today's Lecture

- Other error measures and target types
- Approximation-generalization tradeoff
 - Bias Variance decomposition
 - Learning curves

ERROR MEASURES AND TARGET TYPES

WE HAD $E_{in}(h) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbb{I}[h(x_n) \neq f(x_n)]$

= IN-SAMPLE ERROR RATE.

$$E_{out}(h) = P[h(x) \neq f(x)]$$

CAN INSTEAD USE;

$$E_{in}(h) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N [h(x_n) - f(x_n)]^2$$

$$E_{out}(h) = \mathbb{E} \{ [h(x) - f(x)]^2 \}$$

(\mathbb{E} IS W.R.T. $p(x)$).

here: can have $h \in \mathbb{R}$, $f \in \mathbb{R}$.

FOR $h, f \in \mathbb{R}$, WE WILL USE ~~THE~~ BIAS AND VARIANCE TO ASSESS COMPLEXITY TRADEOFFS.

APPROXIMATION - GENERALIZATION TRADEOFF

→ USE BIAS AND VARIANCE.

NOTE: BELOW, h_g IS BEST HYPOTHESIS AS CHOSEN BY \mathcal{A} (USING LEARNING ALGORITHM \mathcal{A} .)

$$E_{out}(h_g^{(\mathcal{A})}) = E_x \left\{ [h_g^{(\mathcal{A})}(x) - \overset{\text{target fn}}{f(x)}]^2 \right\}$$

TAKE $E_{\mathcal{D}}$ OF BOTH SIDES

↖ w.r.t. all datasets \mathcal{D} of size N .

$$E_{\mathcal{D}} \{ E_{out}(h_g^{(\mathcal{A})}) \} = E_{\mathcal{D}} \{ RHS \}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{DEFINE: } \bar{h}_g(x) &= E_{\mathcal{D}} \{ h_g^{(\mathcal{A})}(x) \} \\ &\approx \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K h_{g,k}(x) \end{aligned}$$

BEST HYPOTH.
BASED ON
 \mathcal{D}_k .

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{D}} \{E_{\text{out}}(h_g^{(\mathcal{D})})\}$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{D}} \left\{ \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{D}} \{ [h_g^{(\mathcal{D})}(x) - \bar{h}_g(x)]^2 \}}_{\text{var}(x)} + \underbrace{[\bar{h}_g(x) - f(x)]^2}_{\text{bias}(x)} \right\}$$

(sometimes called $\text{bias}^2(x)$)

$$= \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_x \{ \text{var}(x) \}}_{\text{var}} + \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_x \{ \text{bias}(x) \}}_{\text{bias (or bias}^2)}$$

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{D}} \{E_{\text{out}}(h_g^{(\mathcal{D})})\} = \text{bias} + \text{var.}$$

AML EXAMPLE 2.8

$$f(x) = \sin(\pi x)$$

x IS SAMPLED UNIFORMLY ON $[-1, +1]$.

$$\text{DATASET } \mathcal{D} = \{(x_1, y_1); (x_2, y_2)\}$$

$$\Rightarrow N=2.$$

\mathcal{H}_0 : SET OF ALL HORIZONTAL LINES:

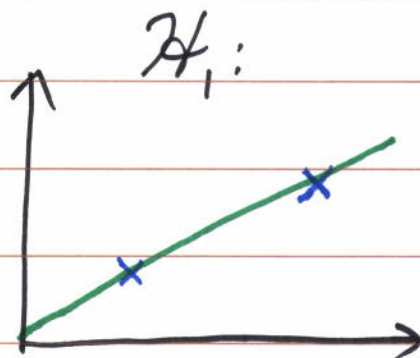
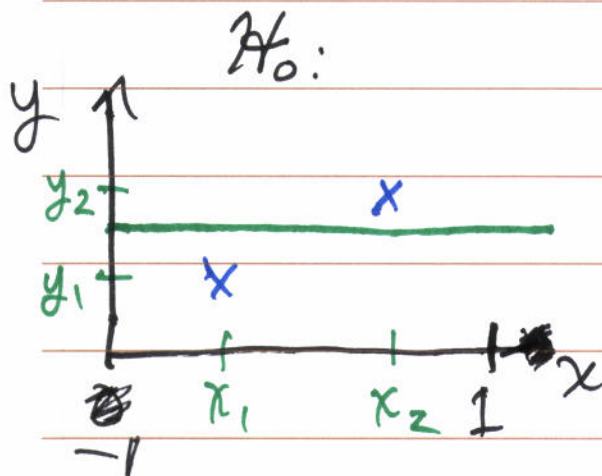
$$h_b(x) = b.$$

\mathcal{H}_1 : SET OF ALL LINES:

$$h_{ab}(x) = ax + b$$

LEARNING ALGORITHM: \mathcal{H}_0 : $b = \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}$

\mathcal{H}_1 : LINE PASSING THROUGH (x_1, y_1) AND (x_2, y_2) .



LEARNING CURVES

REVIEW:

> BIAS-VAR. VIEWPOINT -

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{D}} \{E_{\text{out}}(h_g^{(\mathcal{D})})\} = \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{X}} \{ \text{bias}(\mathcal{X}) + \text{var}(\mathcal{X}) \}$$

$$= \text{bias} + \text{var}$$

$$\text{bias}(\mathcal{X}) = [\bar{h}_g(\mathcal{X}) - f(\mathcal{X})]^2$$

$$\text{var}(\mathcal{X}) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{D}} \{ [h_g^{(\mathcal{D})}(\mathcal{X}) - \bar{h}_g(\mathcal{X})]^2 \}$$

> VC VIEWPOINT -

$$E_{\text{out}}(h_g^{(\mathcal{D})}) \leq E_{\text{in}}(h_g^{(\mathcal{D})}) + \mathcal{E}(N, \mathcal{H}, \delta)$$

WITH PROBABILITY $\geq 1 - \delta$.

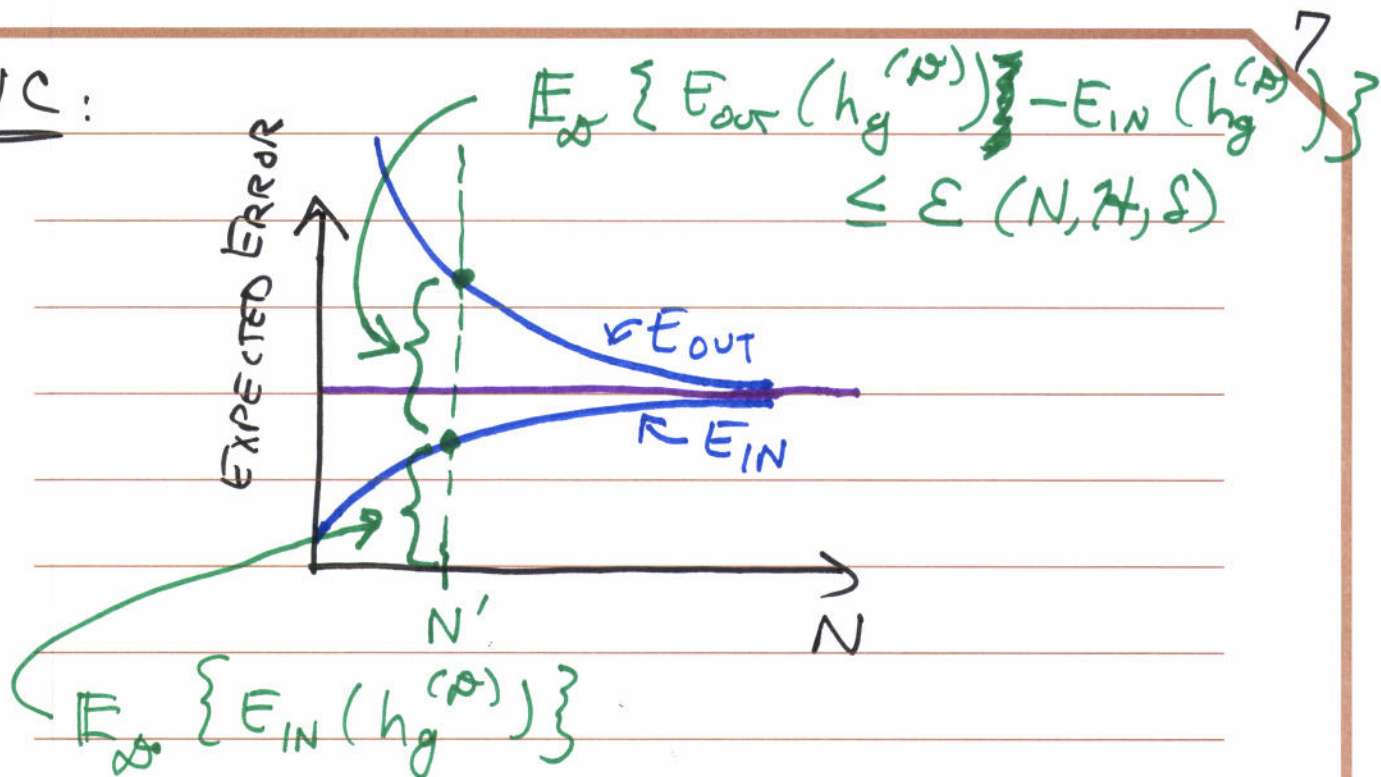
$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{D}} \{E_{\text{out}}(h_g^{(\mathcal{D})})\} \leq \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{D}} \{E_{\text{in}}(h_g^{(\mathcal{D})})\}$$

$$+ \mathcal{E}(N, \mathcal{H}, \delta)$$

$$\mathcal{E}(N, \mathcal{H}, \delta) \leq \sqrt{\frac{8}{N} \ln \frac{4[(2N)^{d_{\text{vc}}} + 1]}{\delta}}$$

($\equiv \mathcal{E}_{\text{vc}}$)

VC:



BIAS-VAR

