

Bayesian Data Analysis - Exercise 8

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1 Model assessment: LOO_CV for factory data with Stan

1.1 Separate model

Here is that Stan code for the separate model:

```
data {
  int<lower=0> N; // number of data points
  int<lower=0> K; // number of groups
  int<lower=1,upper=K> x[N]; // group indicator
  vector[N] y; //
}

parameters {
  vector[K] mu;          // group means
  vector<lower=0>[K] sigma;
}

model {
  y ~ normal(mu[x], sigma[x]);
}

generated quantities {
  real ypred;
  vector[N] log_lik;

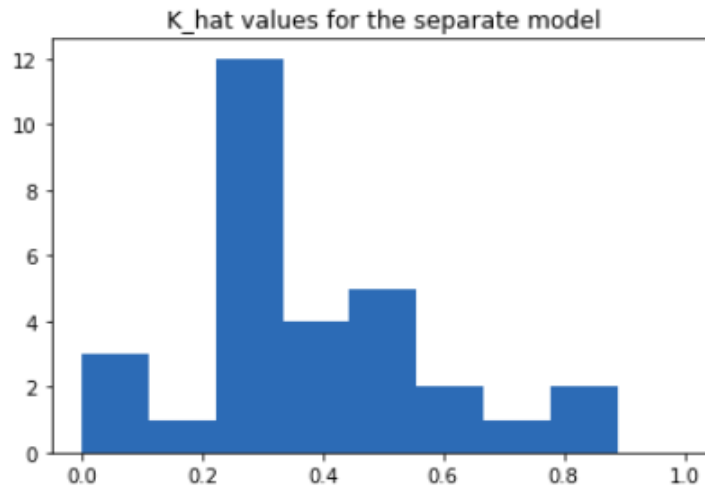
  ypred = normal_rng(mu[6], sigma[6]);

  for (i in 1:N)
    log_lik[i] = normal_lpdf(y[i] | mu[x[i]], sigma[x[i]]);
}
```

If the PSIS-LOO value is considered to be stable, then lower PSIS-LOO value is considered to be better. The separate model has PSIS-LOO value of -132.133 which is the worst of all the models.

The effective number of parameters is: 9.69, which means that 9 parameters are considered to be effective.

Below is the histogram of the \hat{k} values for the separate model



There are 3 \hat{k} values that are greater than 0.7 which means that the PSIS-LOO value is not completely accurate and better methods should be used for evaluation of those values.

1.2 Hierarchical model

Here is that Stan code for the hierarchical model:

```
data {
  int<lower=0> N; // number of data points
  int<lower=0> K; // number of groups
  int<lower=1,upper=K> x[N]; // group indicator
  vector[N] y; //
}

parameters {
  real mu0; // prior mean
  real<lower=0> sigma0; // prior std

  vector[K] mu; // group means
  real<lower=0> sigma;
}

model {
  mu ~ normal(mu0, sigma0);
  y ~ normal(mu[x], sigma);
}

generated quantities {
  real mu7;
  real ypred6;
  vector[N] log_lik;

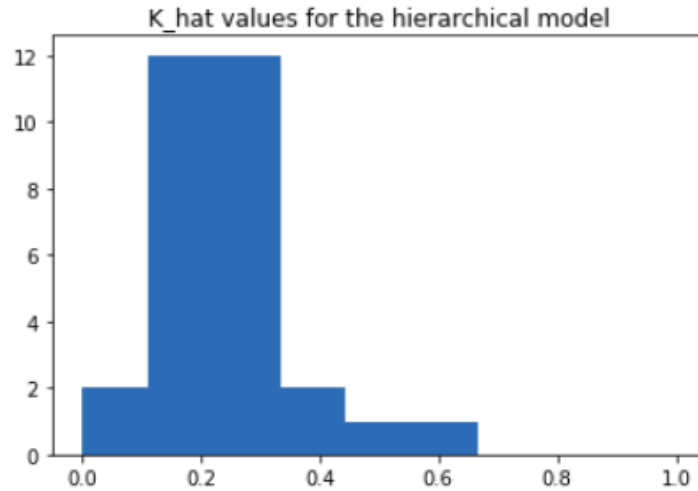
  mu7 = normal_rng(mu0, sigma0);
  ypred6 = normal_rng(mu[6], sigma);

  for (i in 1:N)
    log_lik[i] = normal_lpdf(y[i] | mu[x[i]], sigma);
}
```

If the PSIS-LOO value is considered to be stable, then lower PSIS-LOO value is considered to be better. The hierarchical model has PSIS-LOO value of -126.758 which is the lowest of all the models and this model can be considered to be **the best**.

The effective number of parameters is: 5.662, which means that 5 parameters are considered to be effective.

Below is the histogram of the \hat{k} values for the hierarchical model



From the histogram, we can see that all the \hat{k} values are lower than 0.7, which means that the PSIS-LOO value can be considered to be accurate and reliable.

1.3 Pooled model

Here is that Stan code for the pooled model:

```
data {
  int<lower=0> N; // number of data points
  vector[N] y;
}

parameters {
  real mu;           // prior mean
  real<lower=0> sigma;
}

model {
  y ~ normal(mu, sigma);
}

generated quantities {
  real ypred;
  vector[N] log_lik;

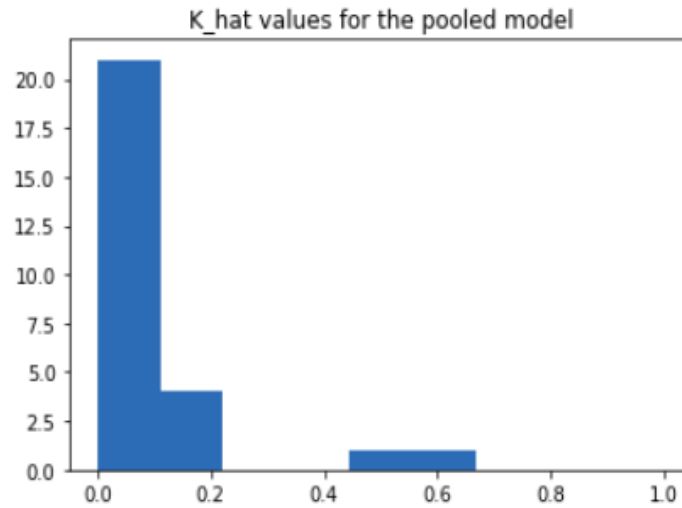
  ypred = normal_rng(mu, sigma);

  for (i in 1:N)
    log_lik[i] = normal_lpdf(y[i] | mu, sigma);
}
```

If the PSIS-LOO value is considered to be stable, then lower PSIS-LOO value is considered to be better. The pooled model has PSIS-LOO value of -130.995 which is the second best model after the hierarchical.

The effective number of parameters is: 2.04, which means that 2 parameters are considered to be effective.

Below is the histogram of the \hat{k} values for the pooled model



From the histogram, we can see that all the \hat{k} values are lower than 0.7, which means that the PSIS-LOO value can be considered to be accurate and reliable.