

Cumulative Sum

1 Mathematical Definition

We know that, for general random forests, the left-side error is

$$\begin{aligned} E &= \\ \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i}{n})^2 &= \\ \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu_n)^2 &= \\ \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - 2y_i\mu_n + \mu_n^2 &= \\ \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - 2\mu_n \sum_{i=1}^n y_i + n\mu_n^2 &= \\ \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - 2\mu_n n\mu_n + n\mu_n^2 &= \\ \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - n\mu_n^2 &= \\ \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2}{n} &= \end{aligned}$$

Which is useful because it can easily be calculated via cumsum.

However, for our general forest, the left-side error also takes into account the previous predictions. We call the previous mean prediction for value i o_i , and

let there be α other predictions included in the mean. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
E &= \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - \frac{\alpha o_i + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i}{\alpha + 1} \right)^2 = \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - \frac{\alpha o_i + \mu_n}{\alpha + 1} \right)^2 = \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - \frac{\alpha o_i + \mu_n}{\alpha + 1} \right)^2 = \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - \frac{2\alpha y_i o_i + 2y_i \mu_n}{\alpha + 1} + \frac{(\alpha o_i + \mu_n)^2}{(\alpha + 1)^2} = \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - \frac{2\alpha}{\alpha + 1} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i o_i - \frac{2}{\alpha + 1} n \mu_n^2 + \frac{\alpha^2}{(\alpha + 1)^2} \sum_{i=1}^n o_i^2 + \frac{2\alpha}{(\alpha + 1)^2} \mu_n \sum_{i=1}^n o_i + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \mu_n^2}{(\alpha + 1)^2} = \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - \frac{2\alpha}{\alpha + 1} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i o_i - \frac{2}{\alpha + 1} n \mu_n^2 + \frac{\alpha^2}{(\alpha + 1)^2} \sum_{i=1}^n o_i^2 + \frac{2\alpha}{(\alpha + 1)^2} \mu_n \sum_{i=1}^n o_i + \frac{n \mu_n^2}{(\alpha + 1)^2} = \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - \frac{2\alpha}{\alpha + 1} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i o_i - \frac{2}{\alpha + 1} n \mu_n^2 + \frac{\alpha^2}{(\alpha + 1)^2} \sum_{i=1}^n o_i^2 + \frac{2\alpha}{(\alpha + 1)^2} \mu_n \sum_{i=1}^n o_i + \frac{n \frac{(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i)^2}{n^2}}{(\alpha + 1)^2} = \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - \frac{2\alpha}{\alpha + 1} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i o_i - \frac{2}{\alpha + 1} n \mu_n^2 + \frac{\alpha^2}{(\alpha + 1)^2} \sum_{i=1}^n o_i^2 + \frac{2\alpha}{(\alpha + 1)^2} \mu_n \sum_{i=1}^n o_i + \frac{(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i)^2}{n(\alpha + 1)^2} = \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - \frac{2\alpha}{\alpha + 1} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i o_i - \frac{2(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i)^2}{n(\alpha + 1)} + \frac{\alpha^2}{(\alpha + 1)^2} \sum_{i=1}^n o_i^2 + \frac{2\alpha}{(\alpha + 1)^2} \mu_n \sum_{i=1}^n o_i + \frac{(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i)^2}{n(\alpha + 1)^2} = \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - \frac{2\alpha}{\alpha + 1} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i o_i - \frac{2(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i)^2}{n(\alpha + 1)} + \frac{\alpha^2}{(\alpha + 1)^2} \sum_{i=1}^n o_i^2 + \frac{2\alpha \sum_{i=1}^n y_i}{n(\alpha + 1)^2} \sum_{i=1}^n o_i + \frac{(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i)^2}{n(\alpha + 1)^2} = \\
&= (Y^2)_n - \frac{2\alpha}{\alpha + 1} (YO)_n - \frac{2}{n(\alpha + 1)} Y_n^2 + \frac{\alpha^2}{(\alpha + 1)^2} O_n + \frac{2\alpha}{n(\alpha + 1)^2} Y_n O_n + \frac{1}{n(\alpha + 1)^2} Y_n^2 =
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, though it is considerably more complicated, we can still calculate every-

thing we need with the following cumsums:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^n o_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^n o_i y_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \\ \sum_{i=1}^n o_i^2 \end{aligned}$$

What if we instead use gradient descent? Instead of setting the predictions to μ_n , can we dynamically calculate it?

Let

$$E = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - \frac{\alpha o_i + \beta_n}{\alpha + 1} \right)^2$$

Then, we can calculate the best β_n via gradient, to get:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \sum_{i=1}^n y_i - \frac{\alpha o_i + \beta_n}{\alpha + 1} \implies \\ \sum_{i=1}^n y_i - \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + 1} \sum_{i=1}^n o_i &= \frac{n}{\alpha + 1} \beta_n \implies \\ (\alpha + 1) \mu_n - \frac{\alpha}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n o_i &= \beta_n \end{aligned}$$

We represent the true value of $\phi = \frac{(1-\epsilon)Y_n}{n} + \epsilon\beta_n$, which represents some ϵ -importance of the other predictions to the value of the split.

$$\begin{aligned}
E &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - \frac{\alpha o_i + \frac{(1-\epsilon)Y_n}{n} + \epsilon\beta_n}{\alpha + 1} \right)^2 = \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - \frac{\alpha o_i + \frac{(1-\epsilon)Y_n}{n} + \epsilon \frac{Y_n(\alpha+1)}{n} - \epsilon \frac{\alpha O_n}{n}}{\alpha + 1} \right)^2 = \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - \frac{\alpha o_i + \frac{Y_n - \epsilon Y_n + \epsilon \alpha Y_n + \epsilon Y_n}{n} - \epsilon \frac{\alpha O_n}{n}}{\alpha + 1} \right)^2 = \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - \frac{\alpha o_i + \frac{Y_n + \epsilon \alpha Y_n}{n} - \epsilon \frac{\alpha O_n}{n}}{\alpha + 1} \right)^2 = \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\left(y_i - \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + 1} o_i \right) - \frac{\frac{Y_n + \epsilon \alpha Y_n}{n} - \epsilon \frac{\alpha O_n}{n}}{\alpha + 1} \right)^2 = \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + 1} o_i \right)^2 - 2 \frac{\frac{Y_n + \epsilon \alpha Y_n}{n} - \epsilon \frac{\alpha O_n}{n}}{\alpha + 1} \left(y_i - \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + 1} o_i \right) + \left(\frac{\frac{Y_n + \epsilon \alpha Y_n}{n} - \epsilon \frac{\alpha O_n}{n}}{\alpha + 1} \right)^2
\end{aligned}$$

We can define

$$\begin{aligned}
A_i &= y_i - \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + 1} o_i \\
B_n &= \frac{Y_n + \epsilon \alpha Y_n - \epsilon \alpha O_n}{\alpha + 1} = \frac{(1 + \epsilon \alpha) \sum_{i=1}^n y_i - \epsilon \alpha \sum_{i=1}^n o_i}{\alpha + 1}
\end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
E &= \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n A_i^2 - 2 \frac{1}{n} B_n \sum_{i=1}^n A_i + \frac{B_n^2}{n}
\end{aligned}$$

All of which can be calculated with cumulative sums.

$$\begin{aligned}
E &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - \frac{\alpha o_i + \beta_n}{\alpha + 1} \right)^2 = \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - \frac{\alpha o_i + \mu_n - \frac{\epsilon \alpha}{n(\alpha+1)} \sum_{j=1}^n o_j}{\alpha + 1} \right)^2 = \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - \frac{2\alpha y_i o_i + 2y_i \mu_n - \frac{2y_i \epsilon \alpha}{n(\alpha+1)} \sum_{j=1}^n o_j}{\alpha + 1} + \frac{\left(\alpha o_i + \mu_n - \frac{\epsilon \alpha}{n(\alpha+1)} \sum_{j=1}^n o_j \right)^2}{(\alpha + 1)^2} = \\
(Y^2)_N - \frac{2\alpha}{\alpha + 1} (YO)_N - \frac{2}{n(\alpha + 1)} Y_N^2 + \frac{2\epsilon \alpha}{n(\alpha + 1)^2} Y_N O_N + \frac{1}{n(\alpha + 1)^2} Y_N^2 + \frac{\alpha^2}{(\alpha + 1)^2} (O^2)_N + \\
\frac{2\alpha}{n(\alpha + 1)^2} Y_N O_N + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\epsilon^2 \alpha^2}{n^2 (\alpha + 1)^4} O_n^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{2\alpha^2 \epsilon o_i O_n}{n(\alpha + 1)^3} - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{2\alpha \epsilon}{n^2 (\alpha + 1)^3} Y_n O_n = \\
(Y^2)_N - \frac{2\alpha}{\alpha + 1} (YO)_N - \frac{2}{n(\alpha + 1)} Y_N^2 + \frac{2\epsilon \alpha}{n(\alpha + 1)^2} Y_N O_N + \frac{1}{n(\alpha + 1)^2} Y_N^2 + \frac{\alpha^2}{(\alpha + 1)^2} (O^2)_N + \\
\frac{2\alpha}{n(\alpha + 1)^2} Y_N O_N + \frac{\epsilon^2 \alpha^2}{n(\alpha + 1)^4} O_n^2 - \frac{2\alpha^2 \epsilon}{n(\alpha + 1)^3} O_n^2 - \frac{2\alpha \epsilon}{n(\alpha + 1)^3} Y_n O_n = \\
(Y^2)_N - \frac{2\alpha}{\alpha + 1} (YO)_N + \frac{1}{n(\alpha + 1)} Y_N^2 \left(\frac{1}{\alpha + 1} - 2 \right) + \frac{\alpha^2}{(\alpha + 1)^2} (O^2)_N + \\
\frac{\epsilon \alpha^2}{n(\alpha + 1)^3} O_n^2 \left(\frac{\epsilon}{\alpha + 1} - 2 \right) + \frac{2\alpha}{n(\alpha + 1)^2} Y_n O_n \left(\epsilon + 1 - \frac{\epsilon}{\alpha + 1} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, the final error function as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
E_n &= (Y^2)_N - \frac{2\alpha}{\alpha + 1} (YO)_N + \frac{1}{n(\alpha + 1)} Y_N^2 \left(\frac{1}{\alpha + 1} - 2 \right) + \frac{\alpha^2}{(\alpha + 1)^2} (O^2)_N + \\
&\quad \frac{\epsilon \alpha^2}{n(\alpha + 1)^3} O_n^2 \left(\frac{\epsilon}{\alpha + 1} - 2 \right) + \frac{2\alpha}{n(\alpha + 1)^2} Y_n O_n \left(\epsilon + 1 - \frac{\epsilon}{\alpha + 1} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

While seemingly complicated, this can easily be calculated with pre-calculated cumulative sums. It is also useful to precalculate $\frac{1}{\alpha+1}$ given its common usage.