

Intro DS - Group Assignment 3

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Excercise 5.20

Show that the relative entropy risk is the same risk as we saw in Section 4.2, it only differs by a constant

Answer: For estimation on non-parametric DF, the underlying DF and model is F^* with density f^* , where $F^* \in \mathcal{E}$, $F^* \in \mathcal{M}_0$ and \mathcal{E} is the statistical model and \mathcal{M}_0 is the model space.

For any distribution $G \in \mathcal{M}_0$ with density g , its *relative entropy risk* was defined as

$$R(G) = \int \ln \left(\frac{f^*(x)}{g(x)} \right) f^*(x) dx.$$

Relative entropy risk can be decomposed

$$R(G) = \int \ln \left(\frac{f^*(x)}{g(x)} \right) f^*(x) dx \tag{1}$$

$$= \int \ln(f^*(x)) - \ln(g(x)) f^*(x) dx \tag{2}$$

$$= \int \ln(f^*(x)) f^*(x) dx - \int \ln(g(x)) f^*(x) dx \tag{3}$$

Looking at section 4.2, we assume that α^* is our underlying model parameters with density p_{α^*} . The risk of the model with parameter α , with some density p_α is then defined as

$$R(\alpha) = - \int \ln(p_\alpha(z)) p_{\alpha^*}(z) dz \tag{4}$$

We know that f^* and p_{α^*} represent the underlying model, and as such $f^* = p_{\alpha^*}$. The same goes for $g = p_\alpha$, the density of any distribution. Looking at (1), the first term is the negative risk of f^* , where the underlying model is f^* . This risk is 0 plus some constant C due to primitive functions. As such, the *relative*

entropy risk in (1) can be rewritten into

$$\begin{aligned}
R(G) &= \int \ln(f^*(x))f^*(x)dx - \int \ln(g(x))f^*(x)dx \\
&= 0 + C - \int \ln(g(x))f^*(x)dx \\
&= C - \int \ln(p_\alpha(x))p_{\alpha^*}(x)dx \\
&= C + R(\alpha),
\end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

that is, the risk from Section 4.2, plus some constant. \square

Solve Exercise 6.11

Question: Prove lemma 6.10, Consider a congruential generator D on $\theta = \{0, 1, \dots, M-1\}$ with period M , then for any starting point $u_0 \in \theta$, define $u_i = D(u_{i-1})$ then the sequence $v_i = u_i \bmod K$ for $1 \leq K \leq M$ is pseudorandom on $\{0, 1, \dots, K-1\}$ if M is a multiple of K .

First of, as M is a multiple of K , such that $1 \leq K \leq M$, we can introduce a scalar $\lambda \in (0, 1]$ such that $K = \lambda M$ and $\{0, 1, \dots, \lambda M - 1\}$. We also introduce a new congruential generator such that $v_i = D_v(v_{i-1})$ and $D_v(x) = u_i \bmod \lambda M$

$$D_v(D(x)) = ((ax + b) \bmod M) \bmod \lambda M \tag{6}$$

since $1 \leq \lambda M \leq M$ we can simplify this;

$$D_v(x) = (ax + b) \bmod \lambda M \tag{7}$$

$v_i = D_v(u_{i-1})$ holds for any starting point $u_0 \in \theta$, and as per lemma 6.8, since $D_v(x)$ is a congruential generator on $\theta_v = \{0, 1, \dots, \lambda M - 1\}$ with period λM , the sequence is **pseudorandom**.

Solve Exercise 6.19

First step is to prove that W, Y are independent. The functions for W, Y are:

$$\begin{aligned}
Y &= |Z|^2 \\
W &= \frac{Z}{|Z|}
\end{aligned}$$

Since both W, Y only depend on Z and none of them depend on each other, then their joint probability can be expressed as a product of their marginal probabilities:

$$P(W = w, Y = y) = P(W = w) \cdot P(Y = y)$$

Which means they are independent.

Next step is to show that if W is generated using $(\cos(2\pi U_2), \sin(2\pi U_2))$ then it is uniform on the unit circle. We know that U_2 is uniformly distributed on $[0, 1]$. Given the trigonometric identity:

$$\cos^2(\theta) + \sin^2(\theta) = 1$$

which is a property of points on the unit circle. We can apply normalization to $(\cos(2\pi U_2), \sin(2\pi U_2))$ to get:

$$\cos^2(2\pi U_2) + \sin^2(2\pi U_2) = 1$$

which shows that W is on the unit circle. In order to show that it's uniform, U_2 is uniformly distributed on $[0, 1]$ which means that $2\pi U_2$ is uniform on $[0, 2\pi]$.

Last step is to show that Z_0, Z_1 are independent. Z_0, Z_1 are defined as:

$$\begin{aligned} Z_0 &= \sqrt{-2 \ln(U_1)} \cos(2\pi U_2) \\ Z_1 &= \sqrt{-2 \ln(U_1)} \sin(2\pi U_2) \end{aligned}$$

In order to show their independence it is enough to prove that the covariance between them is zero:

$$\text{cov}(Z_0, Z_1) = \mathbb{E}[(Z_0 - \mathbb{E}[Z_0])(Z_1 - \mathbb{E}[Z_1])] = 0$$

Which can be written as:

$$\mathbb{E}[Z_0 \cdot Z_1] - \mathbb{E}[Z_0] \cdot \mathbb{E}[Z_1] = 0$$

We can now calculate $\mathbb{E}[Z_0 \cdot Z_1]$ which is done by:

$$\mathbb{E}[Z_0 \cdot Z_1] = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \sqrt{(-2 \ln(U_1)) \cos(2\pi U_2)} \cdot \sqrt{(-2 \ln(U_1)) \sin(2\pi U_2)} dU_1 dU_2 = 0.$$

Since $\cos(2\pi U_2)$ and $\sin(2\pi U_2)$ are orthogonal the expression above can be evaluated to zero meaning:

$$\mathbb{E}[Z_0 \cdot Z_1] = 0$$

which means that:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[Z_0 \cdot Z_1] - \mathbb{E}[Z_0] \cdot \mathbb{E}[Z_1] &= 0 \\ 0 - \mathbb{E}[Z_0] \cdot \mathbb{E}[Z_1] &= 0 \\ 0 &= -\mathbb{E}[Z_0] \cdot \mathbb{E}[Z_1] \\ \mathbb{E}[Z_0] \cdot \mathbb{E}[Z_1] &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

This proves that the covariance between Z_0, Z_1 is zero and since they are Gaussian it means they are independent.

Solve Exercise 7.12

Prove Lemma 7.11 in a similar way to Lemma 7.7

Lemma 7.11: For a finite inhomogeneous Markov chain $(X_t)_{t \in \mathbb{Z}_+}$ with state space $\mathbb{X} = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k\}$ and initial distribution

$$\mu_0 := (\mu_0(s_1), \mu_0(s_2), \dots, \mu_0(s_k))$$

where $\mu_0(s_i) = \mathbb{P}(X_0 = s_i)$, and transition matrices

$$(P_1, P_2, \dots), P_t := (P_t(s_i, s_j))_{(s_i, s_j) \in \mathbb{X} \times \mathbb{X}}, t \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$$

we have for any $t \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ that the distribution at time t given by:

$$\mu_t := (\mu_t(s_1), \mu_t(s_2), \dots, \mu_t(s_k))$$

where $\mu_t(s_i) = \mathbb{P}(X_t = s_i)$ satisfies:

$$\mu_t = \mu_0 P_1 P_2 \cdots P_t$$

Or in plain English, the state at time t is given by multiplying the initial state by the transition matrices, which are ordered, from 1 through t . We start by investigating what $\mathbb{P}(X_{t+1})$ depends on.

$$\mathbb{P}(X_{t+1} = s | X_0, X_1, \dots, X_t) = \mathbb{P}(X_{t+1} = s | X_t)$$

Or, each distribution depends on the transition matrix of the previous step. We can then use this fact to apply the law of total probability to write the PMF, or μ_t , of the random variable X_n as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(X_n = s_n) &= \sum_{s_{n-1}} \mathbb{P}(X_n = s_n | X_{n-1} = s_{n-1}) \mathbb{P}(X_{n-1} = s_{n-1}) \\ &= \sum_{s_{n-1}} P_{s_{n-1}s_n} \mathbb{P}(X_{n-1} = s_{n-1}) \end{aligned}$$

And, like in Lemma 7.7, as this step was chosen arbitrarily we can repeat it until we reach X_0 which gives us. Also note that $P_{s_a s_b}$ denotes the transition matrix from a to b

$$\mathbb{P}(X_n = s_n) = \sum_{s_0, \dots, s_{n-1}} P_{s_{n-1}s_n} \cdots P_{s_0 s_1} \mathbb{P}(X_0 = s_0)$$

We then use $\mu_t(s_i) = \mathbb{P}(X_t = s_i)$ and plug in the entire state space $\mathbb{X} = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k\}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(X_n = s_n) &= \sum_{s_0, \dots, s_{n-1}} P_{s_{n-1}s_n} \cdots P_{s_0 s_1} \mathbb{P}(X_{n-1} = s_{n-1}) \\ \mu_t &= \sum_{s_0, \dots, s_{n-1}} P_{s_{n-1}s_n} \cdots P_{s_0 s_1} \mathbb{P}(X_{n-1} = s_{n-1}) \\ &= \mu_0 P_1 P_2 \cdots P_t \end{aligned}$$

Solve Exercise 7.17

Do the proof of Theorem 7.16 by using the necessary Definitions.

Theorem 7.16:

Let $W_1, \dots, W_t \sim F$ such that (ρ_t, W_t) is a RMR for a transition matrix P_t , for all $t \in \mathbb{N}$. Then if $X_0 \sim \mu_0$,

$$X_t := \rho_t(X_{t-1}, W_t), \quad t \in \mathbb{N},$$

is a Markov chain with initial distribution μ_0 and transition matrix P_t at time t .

Proof

We know by definition that the initial distribution of the Markov Chain is μ_0 as $X_0 \sim \mu_0$ is given in the Theorem.

The transition matrix P_t is defined by (ρ_t, W_t) for all $t \in \mathbb{N}$, meaning that the transition X_{t-1} to X_t has the RMR (ρ_t, W_t) .

In order to prove that X_t fulfills the conditions for a Markov chain, we look at the Markov Property, meaning that the future evolution in a stochastic process is independent of its history - it is memoryless.

For X_t we hence have the conditional probability

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{P}(X_t = x_t | X_{t-1} = x_{t-1}, \dots, X_0 = x_0) \\ &= \mathbb{P}(\rho_t(X_{t-1}, W_t) = x_t | X_{t-1} = x_{t-1}, \dots, X_0 = x_0) \\ &= \mathbb{P}(\rho_t(x_{t-1}, W_t) = x_t) = \mathbb{P}(X_t = x_t | X_{t-1} = x_{t-1}) \end{aligned}$$

Which shows that the process fulfills the Markov property of being memoryless - meaning that the probability that X_t only takes on a value x_t depending on the *current* state, X_{t-1} . Hence it is a Markov chain with initial distribution μ_0 and transition matrix P_t at time t .

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