Machine Learning 1 - Exercise 7

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Bias and Variance of Mean Estimators 1

1.a

$$Bias(\hat{\mu}) = E\left[\left(\frac{1}{N}\sum_{i}^{N}x_{i}\right) - \mu\right] \tag{1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} (\sum_{i}^{N} E[x_i]) - \mu \tag{2}$$

$$=\frac{N\mu}{N}-\mu\tag{3}$$

$$=0 (4)$$

$$Var(\hat{\mu}) = E[((\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} x_i) - E[\hat{\mu}])^2]$$
 (5)

$$= E[((\frac{1}{N}\sum_{i}^{N}x_{i}) - \mu)^{2}]$$
 (6)

$$= E[((\frac{1}{N}\sum_{i}^{N}x_{i})^{2} - 2\mu(\frac{1}{N}\sum_{i}^{N}x_{i}) + \mu^{2}]$$
 (7)

$$= \mu^2 - 2\mu^2 + \mu^2$$
 (8)
= 0 (9)

$$=0 (9)$$

$$MSE(\hat{\mu}) = Bias(\hat{\mu})^2 + Var(\hat{\mu})$$
 (10)

$$= 0^2 + 0 = 0 ag{11}$$

1.b

$$Bias(\hat{\mu}) = E[0 - \mu] \tag{12}$$

$$= -\mu \tag{13}$$

(14)

$$Var(\hat{\mu}) = E[(0-0)^2] \tag{15}$$

$$=0 (16)$$

(17)

$$MSE(\hat{\mu}) = Bias(\hat{\mu})^2 + Var(\hat{\mu})$$
(18)

$$= (-\mu)^2 + 0 = \mu^2 \tag{19}$$

2 Bias-Variance Decomposition for Regression

2.a

We prove that $Error(\hat{f}(x)) = Bias(\hat{f}(x))^2 + Var(\hat{f}(x)) = E[(\hat{f}(x) - f(x))^2]$

$$Error(\hat{f}(x)) = Bias(\hat{f}(x))^2 + Var(\hat{f}(x))$$
(20)

$$= (E[\hat{f}(x) - f(x)])^2 + E[(\hat{f}(x) - E[\hat{f}(x)])^2]$$
(21)

$$= (E[\hat{f}(x)])^2 + f(x)^2 - 2E[\hat{f}(x)]f(x) + E[\hat{f}(x)^2] - (E[\hat{f}(x)])^2$$
(22)

$$= E[\hat{f}(x)^{2}] - 2E[\hat{f}(x)]f(x) + f(x)^{2}$$
(23)

$$= E[(\hat{f}(x) - f(x))^{2}]$$
 (24)

$$= Error(\hat{f}(x)) \tag{25}$$

3 Bias-Variance Decomposition for Classification

3.a

We rewrite the optimization problem as follows

$$min_R \quad E[D_{KL}(R||\hat{P}_i)] = min_R \quad E[\sum_{1 \le i \le c} R_i log(\frac{R_i}{\hat{P}_i})]$$
 (26)

$$= min_R \sum_{1 \le i \le c} R_i E[log(\frac{R_i}{\hat{P}_i}))]$$
 (27)

$$= min_R \sum_{1 \le i \le c} R_i(log(R_i) - E[log(\hat{P}_i)])]$$
 (28)

and then derive the function by R which is the sum of the partial derivatives R_i .

$$\frac{d}{dR_i} = \log(R_i) + 1 - E[\log(\hat{P}_i)] = 0$$
 (29)

$$\implies R_i = exp(E[log(\hat{P}_i)] - 1)$$
 (30)

$$\implies R_i = \frac{exp(E[log(\hat{P}_i)])}{exp(1)} \tag{31}$$

R is defined as a probability distribution, because of that $\sum_i R_i = 1$ must be true. To assure this property we multiply each R_i with a scaling factor F, which we define as:

$$\sum_{i} FR_i = 1 \tag{32}$$

$$\implies \sum_{i} F \frac{exp(E[log(\hat{P}_i)])}{exp(1)} = 1 \tag{33}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i} F \frac{exp(E[log(\hat{P}_{i})])}{exp(1)} = 1$$

$$F = \frac{1}{\frac{\sum_{i} exp(E[log(\hat{P}_{i})])}{exp(1)}}$$
(34)

Which leads to following definition of R_i

$$R_{i} = \frac{1}{\frac{\sum_{j} exp(E[log(\hat{P}_{j})])}{exp(1)}} \frac{exp(E[log(\hat{P}_{i})])}{exp(1)}$$

$$= \frac{exp(E[log(\hat{P}_{i})])}{\sum_{j} exp(E[log(\hat{P}_{j})])}$$
(36)

$$= \frac{exp(E[log(\hat{P}_i)])}{\sum_{j} exp(E[log(\hat{P}_j)])}$$
(36)

3.b