### practical\_exercise\_6, Methods 3, 2021, autumn semester

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#### Exercises and objectives

- 1) Get acquainted with Python, and learn some of the differences between it and R
- 2) Estimate bias and variance based on a true underlying function

REMEMBER: In your report, make sure to include code that can reproduce the answers requested in the exercises below (MAKE A KNITTED VERSION)

REMEMBER: All exercises should be done in Python

## EXERCISE 1 Get acquainted with Python learn some of the differences between it and R

To make sure that *Python* runs within *R Markdown*, make sure you have the *reticulate* package installed install.packages('reticulate')

Also create a text file that is called *.Renviron* (remember the dot) placed in the folder where your *RProj* file is. It should have a single line: RETICULATE\_PYTHON=PATH where PATH is the path to your *methods3* conda environment. Use the commands below to find the paths:

```
library(reticulate)
print(conda_list())
```

```
python
             name
                                      /home/lau/miniconda3/bin/python
## 1
       miniconda3
## 2
        methods3
                       /home/lau/miniconda3/envs/methods3/bin/python
## 3
                            /home/lau/miniconda3/envs/mne/bin/python
## 4
         mne_0.17
                       /home/lau/miniconda3/envs/mne_0.17/bin/python
## 5 mne_func_sig
                   /home/lau/miniconda3/envs/mne_func_sig/bin/python
## 6
                         /home/lau/miniconda3/envs/mnedev/bin/python
           mnedev
## 7
         psychopy
                       /home/lau/miniconda3/envs/psychopy/bin/python
## 8
                                  /usr/local/fsl/fslpython/bin/python
        fslpython
## 9
        fslpython /usr/local/fsl/fslpython/envs/fslpython/bin/python
```

To update your environment based on the updated methods3\_environment.yml file, go to your week\_06 folder and run the following from a bash interpreter (e.g. terminal):

```
conda env create --force -f methods3_environment.yml
```

The --force flag allows for overwriting

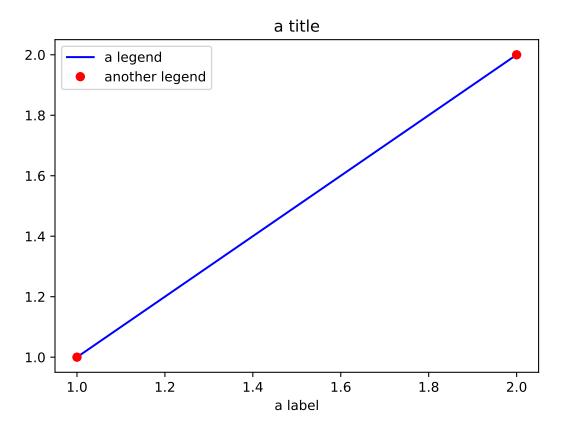
#### Good to know about *Python* (in no particular order)

```
## assignment is done and only done with "=" (no arrows)
a = 2
# a <- 2 # results in a syntax error
## already assigned variables can be reassigned with basic arithmetic operations
a += 2
print(a)
## 4
a -= 1
print(a)
## 3
a *= 4
print(a)
## 12
a //= 2 # integer division
print(a)
## 6
a /= 2 # float (numeric from R) division
print(a)
## 3.0
a **= 3 # exponentiation
print(a)
## 27.0
a_list = [1, 2] # initiate a list (the square brackets) with the integers 1 and 2
b = a_list ## b now points to a_list, not to a new list with the integers 1 and 2
a_list.append(3) # add a new value to the end of the list
print(a_list)
## [1, 2, 3]
print(b) # make sure you understand this
## [1, 2, 3]
print(a_list[0]) # zero-indexing
## 1
print(a_list[1])
## 2
new_list = [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
print(new_list[0:3]) # slicing
## [0, 1, 2]
```

```
for index in range(0, 5): # indentation (use tabulation) controls scope of control variables
    #(no brackets necessary),
    if index == 0: # remember the colon
        value = 0
    else:
        value += index
    print(value)
## 0
## 1
## 3
## 6
## 10
this_is_true = True # logical values
this_is_false = False
# define functions using def
def fix_my_p_value(is_it_supposed_to_be_significant):
    if is_it_supposed_to_be_significant:
        p = 0.01
    else:
        p = 0.35
    return(p)
print(fix_my_p_value(True))
## 0.01
import numpy # methods of numpy can now be accessed as below
                                           need to specify the package
# importing packages (similar to library)
                                            Just like dplyr::ggplot
print(numpy.arange(1, 10)) # see the dot
## [1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9]
print(numpy.abs(-3))
## 3
import numpy as np # you can import them with another name than its default
print(np.cos(np.pi))
## -1.0
from numpy import pi, arange # or you can import specific methods
print(arange(1, 7))
## [1 2 3 4 5 6]
print(pi)
## 3.141592653589793
matrix = np.ones(shape=(5, 5)) # create a matrix of ones
identity = np.identity(5) # create an identity matrix (5x5)
identity[:, 2] = 5 # exchange everything in the second column with 5's
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## no dots in names - dots indicate applying a method like the dollar sign $ in R

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
plt.figure() # create new figure
plt.plot([1, 2], [1, 2], 'b-') # plot a blue line
# plt.show() # show figure
plt.plot([2, 1], [2, 1], 'ro') # scatter plot (red)
# plt.show()
plt.xlabel('a label')
plt.title('a title')
plt.legend(['a legend', 'another legend'])
# plt.show()
```



- 1) Do a linear regression based on x, X and y below (y as the dependent variable) (Exercise 1.1)
  - i. find  $\hat{\beta}$  and  $\hat{y}$  (@ is matrix multiplication)
  - ii. plot a scatter plot of x, y and add a line based on  $\hat{y}$  (use plt.plot after running import matplotlib.pyplot as plt)
- 2) Create a model matrix, X that estimates,  $\hat{\beta}$  the means of the three sets of observations below,  $y_1, y_2, y_3$  (Exercise 1.2)
  - i. find  $\hat{\beta}$  based on this X
  - ii. Then create an X where the resulting  $\hat{\beta}$  indicates: 1) the difference between the mean of  $y_1$  and the mean of  $y_2$ ; 2) the mean of  $y_2$ ; 3) the difference between the mean of  $y_3$  and the mean of  $y_4$

- 3) Finally, find the F-value for this model (from exercise 1.2.ii) and its degrees of freedom. What is the *p*-value associated with it? (You can import the inverse of the cumulative probability density function ppf for F using from scipy.stats import f and then run 1 f.ppf)
  - i. plot the probability density function  ${\tt f.pdf}$  for the correct F-distribution and highlight the F-value that you found
  - ii. how great a percentage of the area of the curve is to right of the highlighted point

```
# Exercise 1.1
import numpy as np
np.random.seed(7) # for reproducibility
x = np.arange(10)
y = 2 * x
y = y.astype(float)
n_{samples} = len(y)
y += np.random.normal(loc=0, scale=1, size=n_samples)
X = np.zeros(shape=(n_samples, 2))
X[:, 0] = x ** 0
X[:, 1] = x ** 1
# Exercise 1.2
y1 = np.array([3, 2, 7, 6, 9])
y2 = np.array([10, 4, 2, 1, -3])
y3 = np.array([15, -2, 0, 0, 3])
y = np.concatenate((y1, y2, y3))
```

# EXERCISE 2 - Estimate bias and variance based on a true underlying function

We can express regression as  $y = f(x) + \epsilon$  with  $E[\epsilon] = 0$  and  $var(\epsilon) = \sigma^2$  (E means expected value)

For a given point:  $x_0$ , we can decompose the expected prediction error,  $E[(y_0 - \hat{f}(x_0))^2]$  into three parts - bias, variance and irreducible error (the first two together are the reducible error):

The expected prediction error is, which we also call the **Mean Squared Error**:

```
E[(y_0 - \hat{f}(x_0))^2] = bias(\hat{f}(x_0))^2 + var(\hat{f}(x_0)) + \sigma^2
```

where bias is;

$$bias(\hat{f}(x_0)) = E[\hat{f}(x_0)] - f(x_0)$$

- 1) Create a function, f(x) that squares its input. This is our **true** function
  - i. generate data,  $y_{true}$ , based on an input range of [0, 6] with a spacing of 0.1. Call this x
  - ii. add normally distributed noise to  $y_{true}$  with  $\sigma = 5$  (set a seed to 7 np.random.seed(7)) and call it  $y_{poise}$
  - iii. plot the true function and the generated points
- 2) Fit a linear regression using LinearRegression from sklearn.linear\_model based on  $y_{noise}$  and x (see code below)
  - i. plot the fitted line (see the .intercept\_ and .coef\_ attributes of the regressor object) on top of the plot (from 2.1.iii)
  - ii. now run the code associated with Exercise 2.2.ii what does X\_quadratic amount to?
  - iii. do a quadratic and a fifth order fit as well and plot them (on top of the plot from 2.2.i)

- 3) Simulate 100 samples, each with sample size len(x) with  $\sigma = 5$  normally distributed noise added on top of the true function
  - i. do linear, quadratic and fifth-order fits for each of the 100 samples ii create a **new** figure, plt.figure, and plot the linear and the quadratic fits (colour them appropriately); highlight the true value for  $x_0 = 3$ . From the graphics alone, judge which fit has the highest bias and which has the highest variance
  - ii. create a **new** figure, **plt.figure**, and plot the quadratic and the fifth-order fits (colour them appropriately); highlight the true value for  $x_0 = 3$ . From the graphics alone, judge which fit has the highest bias and which has the highest variance
  - iii. estimate the **bias** and **variance** at  $x_0$  for the linear, the quadratic and the fifth-order fits (the expected value  $E[\hat{f}(x_0)]$  is found by taking the mean of all the simulated,  $\hat{f}(x_0)$ , differences)
  - iv. show how the squared bias and the variance are related to the complexity of the fitted models
  - v. simulate epsilon: epsilon = np.random.normal(scale=5, size=100). Based on your simulated values of bias, variance and epsilon, what is the Mean Squared Error for each of the three fits? Which fit is better according to this measure?

```
# Exercise 2.2
from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
regressor = LinearRegression()
regressor.fit() ## what goes in here?

# Exercise 2.2.ii
from sklearn.preprocessing import PolynomialFeatures
quadratic = PolynomialFeatures(degree=2)
X_quadratic = quadratic.fit_transform(x.reshape(-1, 1))
regressor = LinearRegression()
regressor.fit() # what goes in here?
```