Bootstrap

(MATH10093: L07)

- ► R live coding and debugging
- Data resampling
- ▶ Bias and variance estimation for estimators
- ▶ L08: More coding; parametric bootstrap; randomised tests

Cross validation and Bootstrap

- Cross validation splits the data in K parts and performs model estimation on (K-1) parts and validation assessment on the Kth part, all for each of the parts.
- ▶ Bootstrap resamples with replacement to obtain a random sample of the same size as the original sample.

Basic Bootstrap resampling

Let $Y = \{(y_i, x_i), i = 1, ..., N \text{ be a data collection with response values } y_i \text{ and predictors/covariates } x_i.$

- ▶ Define a Bootstrap sample $Y^{(j)}$ by drawing N pairs (y_i, x_i) from Y with equal probability, and with replacement.
- ▶ Repeat this procedure for j = 1, ..., J, with $J \gg 1$.

The resampling procedure draws a random sample from the *empirical distribution* for the data collection.

The Bootstrap principle

- Each boostrap sample $Y^{(j)}$ can be used to apply some model estimation procedure, each generating a parameter estimate $\widehat{\theta}^{(j)}$.
- We want to use these bootstrapped estimates to say something about the properties of the estimator $\widehat{\theta}$ which is based on the original data Y.
- ldea: The parameter estimate as a deterministic function of the data, the *empirical* parameter value for the observed sample $Y: \widehat{\theta} = \theta(Y)$ and $\widehat{\theta}^{(j)} = \theta(Y^{(j)})$.

The Bootstrap principle

According to the *Bootstrap principle*, the errors of the bootstrapped estimates have the same distribution as the error of $\widehat{\theta}$. In particular, if the true parameter is θ_{true} , then

$$\begin{split} \mathsf{E}(\widehat{\theta} - \theta_{\mathsf{true}}) &= \mathsf{E}(\widehat{\theta}^{(j)} - \widehat{\theta}), \\ \mathsf{Var}(\widehat{\theta} - \theta_{\mathsf{true}}) &= \mathsf{Var}(\widehat{\theta}^{(j)} - \widehat{\theta}). \end{split}$$

Bootstrap estimation

▶ The usual expectation and variance estimators can be used:

$$\widehat{\mathsf{E}}(\widehat{\theta} - \theta_{\mathsf{true}}) = \frac{1}{J} \sum_{j=1}^{J} (\widehat{\theta}^{(j)} - \widehat{\theta}) = \overline{\widehat{\theta}^{(\cdot)}} - \widehat{\theta}, \quad \widehat{\mathsf{Var}}(\widehat{\theta} - \theta_{\mathsf{true}}) = \frac{1}{J-1} \sum_{j=1}^{J} \left(\widehat{\theta}^{(j)} - \overline{\widehat{\theta}^{(\cdot)}}\right)^2.$$

- ▶ Bias adjusted etimator $\widehat{\theta} (\widehat{\theta}^{(\cdot)} \widehat{\theta})$. Properties? Need double bootstrap!
- ightharpoonup Confidence intervals for θ_{true} : Consider the quantiles of the error distribution.