Labs

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1 Lab: Cross-Validation and the Bootstrap

1.1 Import notebook functions

```
[1]: from notebookfuncs import *
```

1.2 Import libraries

```
[2]: import numpy as np
import statsmodels.api as sm
from ISLP import load_data
from ISLP.models import (ModelSpec as MS , summarize ,poly)
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
```

1.3 New libraries needed for Cross-Validation and the Bootstrap

```
[3]: from functools import partial from sklearn.model_selection import (cross_validate, KFold , ShuffleSplit) from sklearn.base import clone from ISLP.models import sklearn_sm
```

1.4 Validation Set Approach

We explore the use of the validation set approach in order to estimate the test error rates that result from fitting various linear models on the **Auto** data set.

We use the function train_test_split() to split the data into training and validation sets. As there are 392 observations, we split into two equal sets of size 196 using the argument test_size=196. It is generally a good idea to set a random seed when performing operations like this that contain an element of randomness, so that the results obtained can be reproduced precisely at a later time. We set the random seed of the splitter with the argument random state=0.

Now we can fit a linear regression using only the observations corresponding to the training set Auto_train.

```
[5]: hp_mm = MS(['horsepower'])
X_train = hp_mm.fit_transform(Auto_train)
y_train = Auto_train['mpg']
model = sm.OLS(y_train , X_train)
results = model.fit();
```

We now use the predict() method of results evaluated on the model matrix for this model created using the validation data set. We also calculate the validation Mean Square Error (MSE) of our model.

```
[6]: X_valid = hp_mm.transform(Auto_valid)
y_valid = Auto_valid['mpg']
valid_pred = results.predict(X_valid)
mse = np.mean((y_valid - valid_pred)**2)
```

[6]: 23.61661706966988

```
[7]: printmd(f"Hence our estimate for the validation MSE of the linear regression

ofit is **{mse:0.2f}**.")
```

Hence our estimate for the validation MSE of the linear regression fit is 23.62.

We can also estimate the validation error for higher-degree polynomial regressions. We first provide a function evalMSE() that takes a model string as well as a training and test set and returns the MSE on the test set.

```
[8]: def evalMSE(terms,response,train,test):
    mm = MS(terms)
    X_train = mm.fit_transform(train)
    y_train = train[response]

    X_test = mm.transform(test)
    y_test = test[response]

    results = sm.OLS(y_train , X_train).fit()
    test_pred = results.predict(X_test)

    return np.mean((y_test - test_pred)**2)
```

Let's use this function to estimate the validation MSE using linear, quadratic and cubic fits. We use the enumerate() function here, which gives both the values and indices of objects as one iterates over a for loop.

```
[9]: MSE = np.zeros(3)
for idx, degree in enumerate(range(1, 4)):
    MSE[idx] = evalMSE([poly('horsepower', degree)], 'mpg', Auto_train,
Auto_valid)
MSE
```

```
[9]: array([23.61661707, 18.76303135, 18.79694163])
```

These error rates are 23.62, 18.76, and 18.80, respectively.

If we choose a different training/validation split instead, then we can expect somewhat different errors on the validation set.

[11]: array([20.75540796, 16.94510676, 16.97437833])

```
[12]: printmd(f"The error rates now are **{MSE[0]:0.2f}**, **{MSE[1]:0.2f}**, and \hookrightarrow **{MSE[2]:0.2f}**, respectively.")
```

The error rates now are 20.76, 16.95, and 16.97, respectively.

These results are consistent with our previous findings: a model that predicts **mpg** using a quadratic function of **horsepower** performs better than a model that involves only a linear function of **horsepower**, and there is no evidence of an improvement in using a cubic function of **horsepower**.

1.5 Cross-Validation

The simplest way to cross-validate in Python is to use sklearn, which has a different interface or API than statsmodels.

The ISLP package provides a wrapper, sklearn_sm(), that enables us to easily use the cross-validation tools of sklearn with models fit by 'statsmodels

The class sklearn_sm() has as its first argument a model from statsmodels. It can take two additional optional arguments: model_str which can be used to specify a formula, and model_args which should be a dictionary of additional arguments used when fitting the model. For example, to fit a logistic regression model we have to specify a family argument. This is passed as model_args {'family':sm.families.Binomial()}.

```
[13]: hp_model = sklearn_sm(sm.OLS, MS(['horsepower']))
X, Y = Auto.drop(columns =['mpg']), Auto['mpg']
cv_results = cross_validate(hp_model, X, Y, cv=Auto.shape[0])
cv_err = np.mean(cv_results['test_score'])
cv_err
```

[13]: 24.23151351792922

```
printmd(f"The arguments to `cross_validate()` are as follows: an object with_

the appropriate `fit()`, `predict()`, and `score()` methods, an array of_

features X and a response Y. We also included an additional argument `cv` to_

`cross_validate()`; specifying an integer K results in K-fold_

cross-validation. We have provided a value corresponding to the total number_

of observations, which results in leave-one-out cross-validation (LOOCV)._

The `cross-validate()` function produces a dictionary with several_

components; we simply want the cross-validated test score here (MSE), which_

sis estimated to be {cv_err:.2f}.");
```

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We can repeat this procedure for increasingly complex polynomial fits. To automate the process, we again use a for loop which iteratively fits polynomial regressions of degree 1 to 5, computes the associated crossvalidation error, and stores it in the i_{th} vector ${\tt cv_error}$. The variable d in the for loop corresponds to the degree of the polynomial. We begin by initializing the vector. This command may take a couple of seconds to run.

```
[15]: cv_error = np.zeros (5)
H = np.array(Auto['horsepower'])
M = sklearn_sm(sm.OLS)
for i, d in enumerate(range (1,6)):
    # this sets up the polynomial features for horsepower
    # such as 1, hp, hp**2, hp**3 till hp**5 in the final loop
X = np.power.outer(H, np.arange(d+1))
M_CV = cross_validate(M, X, Y, cv=Auto.shape[0])
cv_error[i] = np.mean(M_CV['test_score'])
cv_error
```

[15]: array([24.23151352, 19.24821312, 19.33498406, 19.42443029, 19.03320648])

We see a sharp drop in the estimated test MSE between the linear and quadratic fits, but then no clear improvement from using higher-degree polynomials.

Above we introduced the outer() method of the np.power() function. The outer() method is applied to an operation that has two arguments, such as add(), min(), or power(). It has two arrays as arguments, and then forms a larger array where the operation is applied to each pair of elements of the two arrays.

```
[16]: A = np.array ([3, 5, 9])
B = np.array ([2, 4])
np.add.outer(A, B)
```

In the CV example above, we used K = n, but of course we can also use K < n. The code is very similar to the above (and is significantly faster). Here we use KFold() to partition the data into K = 10 random groups. We use random_state to set a random seed and initialize a vector cv_error in which we will store the CV errors corresponding to the polynomial fits of degrees one to five.

[17]: array([24.20766449, 19.18533142, 19.27626666, 19.47848403, 19.13720065])

Notice that the computation time is much shorter than that of LOOCV. (In principle, the computation time for LOOCV for a least squares linear model should be faster than for K-fold CV, due to the availability of the formula

$$CV_{(n)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\frac{y_i - \hat{y_i}}{1 - h_i} \right)^2$$
 where $h_i = \frac{1}{n} + \frac{(x_i - \bar{x})^2}{\sum_{l=1}^{n} (x_l - \bar{x})^2}$

for LOOCV; however, the generic cross_validate() function does not make use of this formula.) We still see little evidence that using cubic or higher-degree polynomial terms leads to a lower test error than simply using a quadratic fit.

The cross_validate() function is flexible and can take different splitting mechanisms as an argument. For instance, one can use the ShuffleSplit() Shuffle function to implement the validation set approach just as easily as K-fold cross-validation.

[18]: 23.61661706966988

One can estimate the variability in the test error by running the following:

```
[19]: validation = ShuffleSplit(n_splits=10, test_size=196, random_state=0)
results = cross_validate(hp_model, Auto.drop (['mpg'], axis=1), Auto['mpg'],

cv=validation)
results['test_score'].mean (), results['test_score'].std()
```

[19]: (23.802232661034168, 1.4218450941091842)

This standard deviation is not a valid estimate of the sampling variability of the mean test score or the individual scores, since the randomly-selected training samples overlap and hence introduce correlations. But it does give an idea of the Monte Carlo variation incurred by picking different random folds.

1.6 The Bootstrap

1.6.1 Estimating the Accuracy of a Statistic of Interest

The bootstrap approach can be applied in almost all situations. No complicated mathematical calculations are needed.

To illustrate the bootstrap, we start with a simple example. The Portfolio data set in the ISLP package is described in Section 5.2 The Bootstrap. The goal is to estimate the sampling variance of the parameter α given in formula

$$\hat{\alpha} = \frac{\hat{\sigma}_Y^2 - \hat{\sigma}_{XY}^2}{\hat{\sigma}_X^2 + \hat{\sigma}_Y^2 - 2\hat{\sigma}_{XY}^2}$$

We will create a function alpha_func(), which takes as input a dataframe D assumed to have columns X and Y, as well as a vector idx indicating which observations should be used to estimate α . The function then outputs the estimate for α based on the selected observations.

```
X Y
0 -0.895251 -0.234924
1 -1.562454 -0.885176
2 -0.417090 0.271888
3 1.044356 -0.734198
4 -0.315568 0.841983
100
```

This function returns an estimate for α based on applying the minimum variance formula (5.7) to the observations indexed by the argument idx. For instance, the following command estimates α using all 100 observations.

```
[21]: alpha_func(Portfolio , range(100))
```

[21]: 0.57583207459283

Next we randomly select 100 observations from range(100), with replacement. This is equivalent to constructing a new bootstrap data set and recomputing $\hat{\alpha}$ based on the new data set.

```
[22]: rng = np.random.default_rng(0)
alpha_func(Portfolio, rng.choice(100, 100, replace=True))
```

[22]: 0.6074452469619004

This process can be generalized to create a simple function boot_SE() for computing the bootstrap standard error for arbitrary functions that take only a data frame as an argument.

```
[23]: def boot_SE(func, D, n=None, B=1000, seed=0):
    rng = np.random.default_rng(seed)
    first_ , second_ = 0, 0
    n = n or D.shape [0]
    for i in range(B):
        idx = rng.choice(D.index, n, replace=True)
        value = func(D, idx)
        first_ += value
        second_ += value **2
    return np.sqrt(second_ / B - (first_ / B)**2)
```

Let's use our function to evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of α using B = 1,000 bootstrap replications.

```
[24]: alpha_SE = boot_SE(alpha_func, Portfolio, B=1000, seed=0)
alpha_SE
```

[24]: 0.09118176521277699

The final output shows that the bootstrap estimate for SE(^) is 0.0912.

1.6.2 Estimating the Accuracy of a Linear Regression Model

The bootstrap approach can be used to assess the variability of the coefficient estimates and predictions from a statistical learning method. Here we use the bootstrap approach in order to assess the variability of the estimates for β_0 and β_1 , the intercept and slope terms for the linear regression model that uses horsepower to predict mpg in the **Auto** data set. We will compare the estimates obtained using the bootstrap to those obtained using the formulas for $SE(\beta_0)$ and $SE(\beta_1)$ described in Section 3.1.2., Assessing the Accuracy of the Coefficients.

$$\begin{split} SE(\hat{\beta_0})^2 &= \sigma^2 \Big[\frac{1}{n} + \frac{\bar{x}^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \Big] \\ SE(\hat{\beta_1})^2 &= \frac{\sigma^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \\ \text{where } \sigma^2 &= Var(\epsilon) \\ \text{and } \hat{\sigma} &= RSE = \sqrt{\frac{RSS}{n-2}} \end{split}$$

To use our boot_SE() function, we must write a function (its first argument) that takes a data frame D and indices idx as its only arguments. But here we want to bootstrap a specific regression model, specified by a model formula and data. We show how to do this in a few simple steps.

We start by writing a generic function boot_OLS() for bootstrapping a regression model that takes a formula to define the corresponding regression. We use the clone() function to make a copy of the formula that can be refit to the new dataframe. This means that any derived features such as those defined by poly() (which we will see shortly), will be re-fit on the resampled data frame.

```
[26]: def boot_OLS(model_matrix , response , D, idx):
    D_ = D.loc[idx]
    Y_ = D_[response]
    X_ = clone(model_matrix).fit_transform(D_)
    return sm.OLS(Y_ , X_).fit().params
```

This is not quite what is needed as the first argument to boot_SE(). The first two arguments which specify the model will not change in the bootstrap process, and we would like to *freeze* them. The function partial() from the functools module does precisely this: it takes a function as an argument, and freezes some of its arguments, starting from the left. We use it to freeze the first two model-formula arguments of boot OLS().

```
[27]: hp_func = partial(boot_OLS , MS(['horsepower']), 'mpg')
hp_func?
```

Signature: hp_func(D, idx)

Call signature: hp_func(*args, **kwargs)

Type: partial

String form: functools.partial(<function boot_OLS at 0x7cabb5ba7920>,_

File: /usr/lib/python3.12/functools.py

Docstring:

partial(func, *args, **keywords) - new function with partial application of the given arguments and keywords.

Typing hp_func? will show that it has two arguments D and idx — it is a version of boot_OLS() with the first two arguments frozen — and hence is ideal as the first argument for boot_SE().

The hp_func() function can now be used in order to create bootstrap estimates for the intercept and slope terms by randomly sampling from among the observations with replacement. We first demonstrate its utility on 10 bootstrap samples.

```
[28]: rng = np.random.default_rng(0)
      print(Auto.head())
      # reset index so that index has row index and not model names
      Auto.reset_index(drop=False, inplace=True)
      print(Auto.head())
      np.array([hp_func(Auto, rng.choice(392, 392, replace=True)) for _ in range(10)])
                                  mpg cylinders displacement horsepower weight \
     name
                                                          307.0
                                                                                3504
     chevrolet chevelle malibu
                                 18.0
                                                8
                                                                         130
     buick skylark 320
                                 15.0
                                                8
                                                          350.0
                                                                         165
                                                                                3693
                                                8
                                                          318.0
     plymouth satellite
                                 18.0
                                                                         150
                                                                                3436
                                                8
     amc rebel sst
                                 16.0
                                                           304.0
                                                                         150
                                                                                3433
     ford torino
                                 17.0
                                                8
                                                           302.0
                                                                         140
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                                 acceleration year origin
     name
     chevrolet chevelle malibu
                                          12.0
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                                                           1
     buick skylark 320
                                          11.5
                                                  70
                                                            1
     plymouth satellite
                                          11.0
                                                           1
                                                  70
     amc rebel sst
                                          12.0
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                plymouth satellite
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                                    18.0
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                     amc rebel sst
                                                   8
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                                    16.0
     4
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                       ford torino
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     1
     2
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          3436
                                 70
                                           1
     3
          3433
                         12.0
                                 70
                                           1
     4
                         10.5
                                 70
          3449
[28]: array([[39.88064456, -0.1567849],
             [38.73298691, -0.14699495],
             [38.31734657, -0.14442683],
             [39.91446826, -0.15782234],
             [39.43349349, -0.15072702],
             [40.36629857, -0.15912217],
             [39.62334517, -0.15449117],
             [39.0580588 , -0.14952908],
             [38.66688437, -0.14521037],
             [39.64280792, -0.15555698]])
```

Next, we use the boot_SE() function to compute the standard errors of 1,000 bootstrap estimates

for the intercept and slope terms.

```
[29]: hp_se = boot_SE(hp_func, Auto, B=1000, seed=10)
hp_se
```

[29]: intercept 0.848807 horsepower 0.007352

dtype: float64

```
[30]: printmd(f"This indicates that the bootstrap estimate for SE(\beta_0) is \neg \{hp_se.intercept:.2f\}, and that the bootstrap estimate for SE(\beta_1) is \neg \{hp_se.horsepower:.4f\}.")
```

This indicates that the bootstrap estimate for $SE(\beta_0)$ is 0.85, and that the bootstrap estimate for $SE(\beta_1)$ is 0.0074.

Standard formulas can be used to compute the standard errors for the regression coefficients in a linear model. These can be obtained using the summarize() function from ISLP.sm.

```
[31]: hp_model.fit(Auto , Auto['mpg'])
model_se = summarize(hp_model.results_)['std err']
model_se
```

[31]: intercept 0.717 horsepower 0.006 Name: std err, dtype: float64

```
[32]: printmd(f"The standard error estimates for $\\beta_0$ and $\\beta_1$ obtained_\(\cup \text{obtained}\) \(\text{obtained}\) \(\text{obtained}\) \(\text{obtained}\) \(\text{obtained}\) \(\text{off the intercept and}\) \(\text{off model_se.horsepower:.3f}\) for the slope.")
```

The standard error estimates for β_0 and β_1 obtained using the formulas are 0.717 for the intercept and 0.006 for the slope.

Interestingly, these are somewhat different from the estimates obtained using the bootstrap. Does this indicate a problem with the bootstrap? In fact, it suggests the opposite.

The standard formulas rely on certain assumptions. For example, they depend on the unknown parameter σ^2 , the noise variance. We then estimate σ^2 using the RSS. Now although the formula for the standard errors do not rely on the linear model being correct, the estimate for σ^2 does. We see that there is a non-linear relationship in the data, and so the residuals from a linear fit will be inflated, and so will σ^2 . Secondly, the standard formulas assume (somewhat unrealistically) that the x_i are fixed, and all the variability comes from the variation in the errors ϵ_i . The bootstrap approach does not rely on any of these assumptions, and so it is likely giving a more accurate estimate of the standard errors of $\hat{\beta}_0$ and $\hat{\beta}_1$ than the results from sm.OLS.

Below we compute the bootstrap standard error estimates and the standard linear regression estimates that result from fitting the quadratic model to the data. Since this model provides a good fit to the data, there is now a better correspondence between the bootstrap estimates and the standard estimates of $SE(\hat{\beta}_0)$, $SE(\hat{\beta}_1)$ and $SE(\hat{\beta}_2)$.

```
[33]: quad_model = MS([poly('horsepower', 2, raw=True)])
      quad_func = partial(boot_OLS, quad_model, 'mpg')
      boot_SE(quad_func, Auto, B=1000)
[33]: intercept
                                                  2.067840
     poly(horsepower, degree=2, raw=True)[0]
                                                  0.033019
      poly(horsepower, degree=2, raw=True)[1]
                                                  0.000120
      dtype: float64
     We compare the results to the standard errors computed using sm.OLS().
[34]: M = sm.OLS(Auto['mpg'], quad_model.fit_transform(Auto))
      summarize(M.fit())['std err']
[34]: intercept
                                                  1.800
     poly(horsepower, degree=2, raw=True)[0]
                                                  0.031
      poly(horsepower, degree=2, raw=True)[1]
                                                  0.000
      Name: std err, dtype: float64
[35]: allDone();
```

<IPython.lib.display.Audio object>