

Quiz 6. Jack knife and Bootstrap

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Attempt (circle one): BEFORE AFTER

Given 25 samples of water, 16 samples are polluted with arsenic (0) and 9 samples are clean (1). Thus, the proportion of clean samples, p , is estimated by $\hat{p} = 9/25 = 0.36$.

However, the standard approach for water sampling is to estimate $\theta = \sqrt{p}$. An obvious estimator of θ is $\hat{\theta} = \sqrt{\hat{p}} = 0.6$. But this $\hat{\theta}$ is biased, i.e., $E(\hat{\theta}) = E(\sqrt{\hat{p}}) \neq \sqrt{E(p)} = \sqrt{p} = \theta$.

Starting with $\hat{\theta} = \sqrt{\hat{p}}$, compute the jackknife estimator $\hat{\theta}_{JK}$.

- (a) Delete one at a time and compute $\theta_{(-i)}$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, 25$, of the obtained data. Note that, given the sample, 16 times the deleted sample is arsenic (0), 9 times the deleted sample is clean (1).

When a clean sample is removed ($x_i = 1$)

$$\hat{p}_{(-i)} = 8/24 = 1/3 \rightarrow \hat{\theta}_{(-i)} = \text{square root of } 1/3 = 0.57735026919$$

When a polluted sample is removed ($x_i = 0$)

$$\hat{p}_{(-i)} = 9/24 = 3/8 \rightarrow \hat{\theta}_{(-i)} = \text{square root of } 3/8 = 0.61237243569$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{(.)} = (9 \cdot 0.57735026919 + 16 \cdot 0.61237243569) / 25 = 14.9941113937 / 25 = 0.59976445575$$

- (b) Compute the Jackknife estimate θ_{JK} .

$$\theta_{JK} = n \cdot \hat{\theta} - (n-1) \hat{\theta}_{(.)} = 25 \cdot 0.60 - 24 \cdot 0.59976445575 = 0.605653062$$

- (c) Compute the estimated bias of θ .

$$\text{Bias} = \hat{\theta} - \theta_{JK} = 0.60 - 0.605653062 = -0.005653062$$

- (d) **Stat-627 only.** Use the following distribution to illustrate that $E(\sqrt{X}) \neq \sqrt{E(X)}$. Recall that: $E(X) = \sum (x \cdot P(X = x))$.

X	P(X = x)	x · P(X = x)	\sqrt{X}	$\sqrt{x} \cdot P(X = x)$
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0	0.5	$0 * 0.5 = 0$	0	0
9	0.5	$9 * 0.5 = 4.5$	3	$3 * 0.5 = 1.5$
		$E(X) = 0 + 4.5 = 4.5$ $\sqrt{E(X)} = 2.12$		$E(\sqrt{X}) = 0 + 1.5 = 1.5$