

# Bagged indicator function

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$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\theta}_n(x) &= \mathbb{1}_{\{\bar{Y}_n \leq x\}} \\ \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{Y}_n - \mu)}{\sigma} &\xrightarrow{D} N(0, 1)\end{aligned}$$

Take  $x$  in the  $n^{-1/2}$  neighborhood of  $\mu$

$$\begin{aligned}x &= x_n(c) = \mu + c\sigma n^{-1/2} \\ \hat{\theta}_n(x_n(c)) &= \mathbb{1}_{\{\bar{Y}_n \leq \mu + c\sigma n^{-1/2}\}} \\ &= \mathbb{1}_{\{\frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{Y}_n - \mu)}{\sigma} \leq c\}} \\ &\approx \mathbb{1}_{\{Z \leq c\}}\end{aligned}$$

This gives us

$$E(\hat{\theta}_n(x_n(c))) \rightarrow P[Z \leq c] = \Phi(c) \text{ and } Var(\hat{\theta}_n(x_n(c))) \rightarrow \Phi(c)(1 - \Phi(c))$$

Now consider the bagged estimator

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\theta}_{B;n}(X_n(c)) &= E^*[\mathbb{1}_{\{Y_n^* \leq x_n(c)\}}] \\ &= E^*[\mathbb{1}_{\{\frac{\sqrt{n}(Y_n^* - \bar{Y}_n)}{\sigma} \leq \frac{\sqrt{n}(x_n(c) - \bar{Y}_n)}{\sigma}\}}] \\ &= \Phi\left(\frac{\sqrt{n}(x_n(c) - \bar{Y}_n)}{\sigma}\right) + o_p(1) \\ &\stackrel{D}{\approx} \Phi(c - Z) \\ \hat{\theta}_{n;B}(x_n(0)) &\rightarrow \Phi(-Z) = U[0, 1]\end{aligned}$$

$E(\hat{\theta}_{n;B}(x(0))) = 1/2$  So unbiased!

$$Var(\hat{\theta}_{n;B}(x(0))) = 1/12$$

Reduction in variance by a factor of 3!

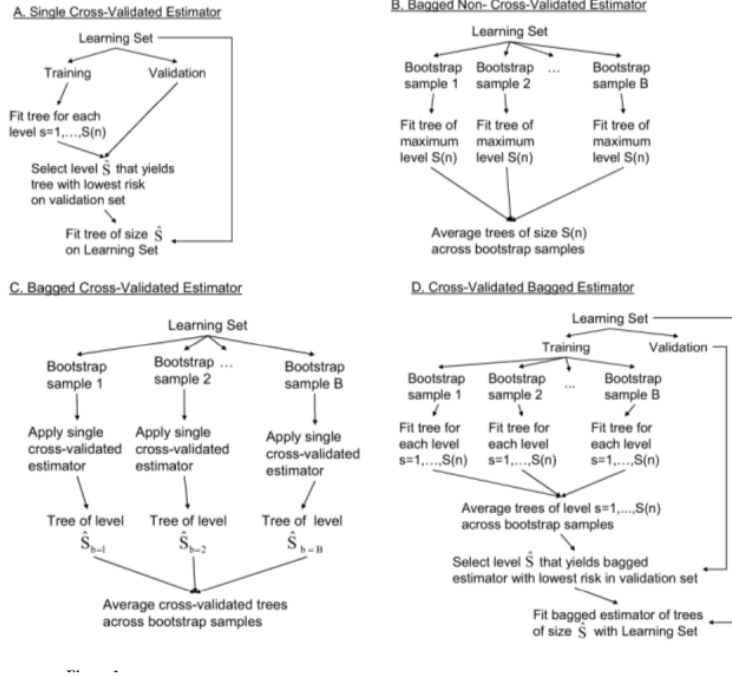


Figure 1: Flowcharts for bootstrap and cross-validation, from [2].

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