VALIDATION & STABILIZATION

Methodology Training Document (Module 5)

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EXL Decision Analytics Methodology Snapshot

We apply a set of highly effective tools, techniques and best practices for the end-to-end model development cycle

Stage 1	Preliminary Data Exploration
Stage 2	Data Preparation
Stage 3	Variable Creation
Stage 4	Variable Reduction
Stage 5	Modeling
Stage 6	Validation and Stabilization

Univariate Analysis (EDD*)
Modeling and Validation Split
Bivariate Analysis
Outlier Treatment
Outlier Treatment
Missing Imputation
Roll Ups and Data Merge
Dummy Variable Creation
Binning and Banding
Transformations
Interactions and Groupings
Variable Clustering
Inter-Correlation Analysis
Variance Inflation Factor Test
Modeling Technique Selection
Model Improvements
Ensemble
ELISCHINIC
In-Sample Validation
Out-of-Time Validation
Bootstrapping
Coefficient Blasting

These stages
demand lot of manual
effort in analyzing
and understanding
each and every
variable

These stages require business sense and out-of-box thinking for brainstorming on creating hypothesis-based variables and dropping redundant features

These stages require good knowledge of statistical techniques for providing highend quality solutions

^{*} Extended Data Dictionary

Objectives and Scope



Course Goals

- To provide a structured overview of model validation and stabilization techniques used during application of EXL DA methodology
- To introduce trainees to several model performance and stability measures
- To explain metric calculations through illustrations
- Hands on exercises on real life data to practice calculation of validation metrics during the training course
- To provide helpful "tricks of the trade"

Beyond the Scope of this Training

- Comprehensive coaching on model validation
- Derivation of statistical formulas or terms (unless required as part of methodology explanation)

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- Discussion on advanced concepts can be taken up offline



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Chapter 1: Basics of Model Validation



1.1 Model Validation



1.1.1. Need for Validation

What is Model Validation?

Model validation is a process of determining the degree to which a statistical software generated model (based on input data) is an accurate representation of the real world



Why is Validation Needed?

■ Generalization

To ascertain whether predicted values from the model are likely to accurately predict responses on future subjects or subjects not used to develop the model

Stability Check

To test how consistently the model is going to perform over time

Robustness Check

To test whether the model is an appropriate representation of the real world for the stated purpose and whether the model is acceptable for its intended use

A model without sufficient validation is only a hypothesis.





1.1.2. Types of Validation

Туре	Description	Technique	Validity Strength
Apparent	Performance on sample used to develop model	Apparent	
Internal	Performance on population underlying the sample	Split Sample	
(Out-of-Sample)		Cross Validation	
		Bootstrapping	
External	Performance on related but slightly different population	Out-of-time (OOT)	
		Spatial Validation	
		Fully External Validation	

Apparent Validation

- Measures model performance on modeling data itself; there is no significant value add
- Provides optimistic estimates of model performance
- Very easy to implement
- Validity strength is very low;
 Implementation of such model in real world may show
 disappointing results

Internal Validation

- Data for model development and evaluation are both random samples from the same underlying population
- Provides honest and reasonable estimates of model performance
- Sets an upper limit to what may be expected in external validation
- Slightly difficult to implement; All model variables need to be created in the validation set

External Validation

- Once the model is developed, it is validated in other settings
- Very strong test of model performance
- Difficult to implement
 - Appropriate population eligibility conditions to be applied for validation population
 - All model variables need to be created in the validation set



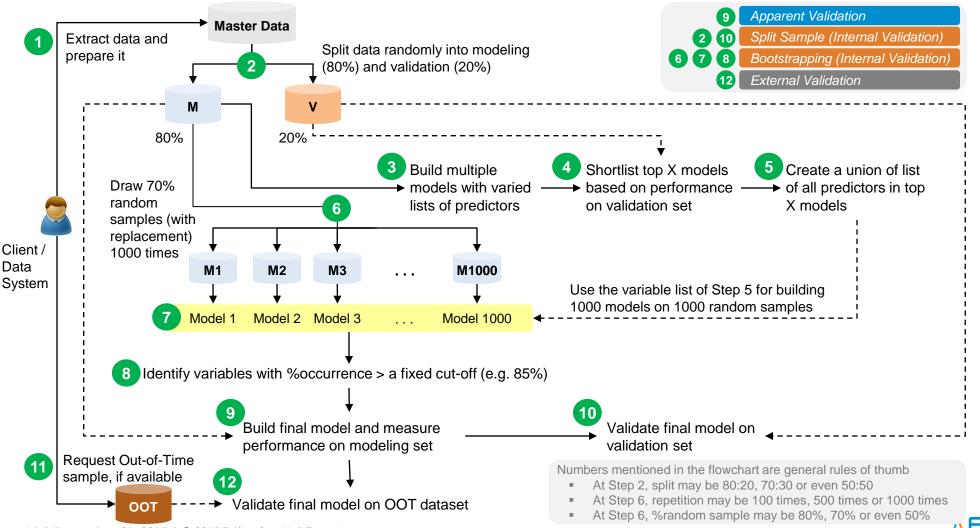


Illustration: To predict the probability that a college student pays fees on time

Туре	Technique	Modeling Data	Validation Data	
Apparent	Apparent	Year 2011 batch students of College XYZ Same as modeling data		
Internal (Out-of-Sample)	Split Sample X% (e.g. 80%) random sample of year 2011 batch students of College XYZ		Remaining (i.e. 20% of) year 2011 batch students of College XYZ	
	Cross Validation (k-fold)	 Divide data into k equal sized random samples. For example, k = 5 Use 4 samples (i.e. 80% data) for modeling and 1 sample (i.e. 20%) for validation Repeat Step 2 five times so that all 5 samples are used for validation once Take average of validation metric across 5 samples 		
	 Keep aside a holdout sample for validation Draw 80% random sample (with replacement) for modeli Repeat Step 2 large number of times (m). For example, Keep those variables in final model whose %occurrence off (say, 85%) 		with replacement) for modeling of times (m). For example, m = 1000 times	
External	Out-of-time (OOT)		Same population in different time period Year 2012 batch students of College XYZ	
	Spatial Validation	Year 2011 batch students of College XYZ Different population in same time period Year 2011 batch students of College ABC		
	Fully External Validation		<u>Different population in different time period</u> Year 2012 batch students of College ABC	



1.1.3. EXL's Standard Approach



1.2 Bias and Variance



1.2.1. Error Decomposition

Consider a model, where error (ϵ) is normally distributed with zero mean and a constant variance

$$Y = f(X) + \varepsilon$$
 such that $E(\varepsilon) = 0$ and $Var(\varepsilon) = \sigma_{\varepsilon}^{2}$

Let f(X) be estimated by model $\hat{f}(X)$



Things to Remember

- Bias is a measure of avg. prediction error across samples
- Variance reflects how much prediction varies from one sample to another

Variance

Expected squared prediction error at a point
$$x_0$$
 is given by:

$$Err (x_{0}) = E[Y - \hat{f}(x_{0})]^{2}$$

$$= \sigma_{\varepsilon}^{2} + [E(\hat{f}(x_{0})) - f(x_{0})]^{2} + E[(\hat{f}(x_{0}) - E(\hat{f}(x_{0}))]^{2}$$

$$= \sigma_{\varepsilon}^{2} + [Bias (\hat{f}(x_{0}))]^{2} + Var (\hat{f}(x_{0}))$$

Bias²

Irreducible error on target Y

Noise

Deviation of the average estimate from the true function's mean

Expected squared deviation of model's estimate around its mean

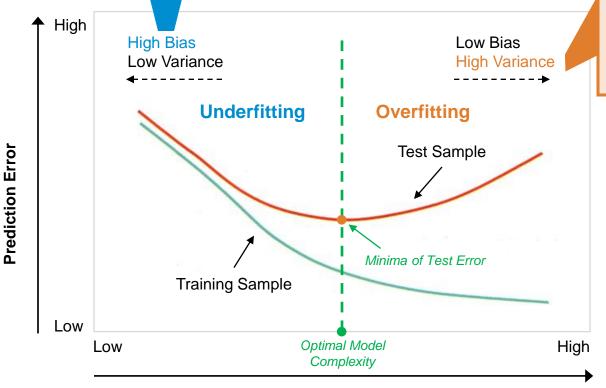




1.2.2. Bias and Variance Trade-Off

If a model is too simple, the model would

- Be unable to fit the true structure
- Have a lot of bias (error between the true function and model's approximation)



If a model is too complex, the model would

- Overfit to the noise in training sample
- Become very sensitive to the particular training sample used
- Have a lot of variance across training samples

Things to Remember

- Training error is typically lower than test error
- Training error can be reduced by increasing model complexity, but this risks overfitting
- It is recommended to minimize the test error to obtain optimal level of model complexity



1.3 Components of Validation



1.3.1. Sampling Strategies

- Sampling strategies are aimed at addressing the uncertainty that can arise in tests using empirical data
- Examples: Cross Validation, Bootstrapping, Out-of-Sample and Out-of-Time Validation

1.3.2. Power-Testing

- Power-testing techniques are aimed at measuring model's goodness-of-fit
- Examples
 - Classification Table, K-S Statistic, AUC and Concordance for a classification model
 - R² for a regression model

1.3.3. Calibration

- Calibration techniques are aimed at assessing how closely the model's predictions match with the actual (i.e. observed) values
- Examples
 - Hosmer-Lemeshow test for a classification model
 - Primary and Secondary Diagonal Metric, ME, MSE, RMSE, MAE, MPE and MAPE for a regression model

While sampling strategies are meant for model stabilization, power testing and calibration measure model performance



Chapter 2: Validation Methods



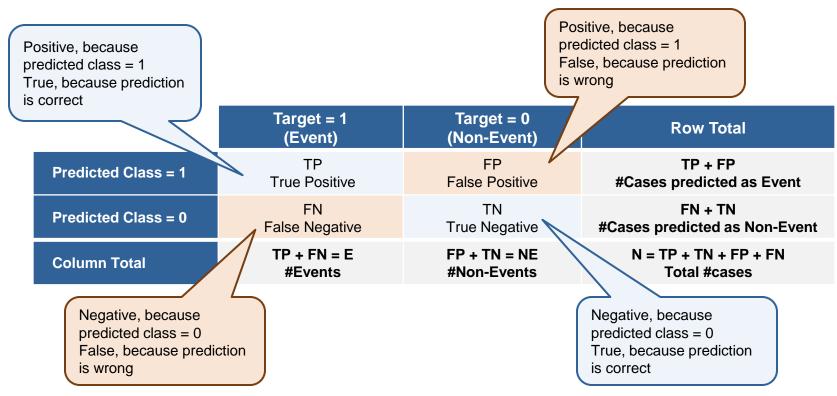


2.1 Classification Model Performance Measures

2.1.1. Classification Table (Confusion Matrix)

Classification table

- 2x2 matrix of actual and predicted classes
- Also known as Confusion Matrix or Contingency Table
- Greater the sum of primary diagonal (TP + TN), higher the degree of classification accuracy







SAS Implementation

Below is the syntax for generating classification table

```
PROC LOGISTIC DATA = < modeling dataset>
                                                  Specify name of modeling dataset for regression
            NAMELEN = 32
                                                  This option does not let variable name length get truncated to 20
            DESCENDING:
                                                  This option reverses the sorting order for the levels of dependent variable
MODEL <dependent> = <regressors>
            SELECTION = <selection method>
                                                  Specify variable selection method
                        = <SLE criterion>
            SLE
                                                  Specify significance level of entry and stay
                        = <SLS criterion>
            SLS
            CTABLE: -
                                                  This option displays classification table
RUN;
```

- Classification table (generated by CTABLE option) provides true positives, false positives, true negatives and false negatives at varied levels of probability z
- An observation is predicted as event if the predicted event probability exceeds z

Classification table generated as a part of SAS output can be used to identify the probability cut-off point for classification decision





Illustrative SAS Output

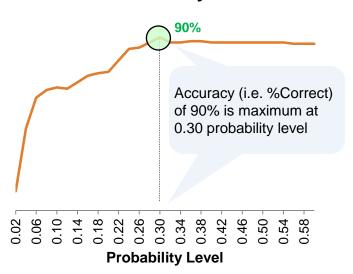
$$Accuracy = \frac{TP + TN}{TP + TN + FP + FN}$$

0.30 may be used as the cut-off probability level for assigning classes

- If probability > 0.30, predicted class = 1
- If probability ≤ 0.30, predicted class = 0

Such classification yields 90% accuracy

Accuracy



Prob.	. Correct		Incorrect		Percentage
Level	Event	Non-Event	Event	Non-Event	Correct
0.02	/ 15	1 0	135	1 0	10.0
0.04	-/ 4 14 /	-/ 4 50 -	-/ \ 85		42.7
0.06	TP 13	TN 75	FP 60	FN 2	58.7
0.08	12 \	82	53	3	62.7
0.10	11	85	50	4	64.0
0.12	10	85	50	5	63.3
0.14	10	90	45	5	66.7
0.16	10	95	40	5	70.0
0.18	9	98	37	6	71.3
0.20	8	100	35	7	72.0
0.22	7	110	25	8	78.0
0.24	7	119	16	8	84.0
0.26	7	120	15	8	84.7
0.28	6	125	10	9	87.3
0.30	6	129	6	9	90.0
0.32	2	129	6	13	87.3
0.34	2	129	6	13	87.3
0.36	2	130	5	13	88.0
0.38	2	130	5	13	88.0
0.40	1	130	5	14	87.3
0.42	1	130	5	14	87.3
0.44	1	130	5	14	87.3
0.46	1	130	5	14	87.3
0.48	1	130	5	14	87.3
0.50	1	130	5	14	87.3
0.52	1	130	5	14	87.3
0.54	1	130	5	14	87.3
0.56	0	130	5	15	86.7
0.58	0	130	5	15	86.7
0.60	0	130	5	15	86.7



2.1.2. Concordance and Discordance

Concordant

A pair of an event and a non-event is said to be a *concordant pair* if the event observation has higher predicted event probability than the non-event observation

Example:	TARGET	PREDICTION
	0	0.90
	1	0.95

Discordant

A pair of an event and a non-event is said to be a *discordant pair* if the event observation has lower predicted event probability than the non-event observation

Example:	TARGET	PREDICTION
	0	0.90
	1	0.85

Tied

A pair of an event and a non-event is said to be a *tied pair* if the predicted event probability for both the event and the non-event observations is exactly same

Example:	TARGET	PREDICTION
	0	0.90
	1	0.90





Illustration

Given Data

ID	TARGET	PREDICTION
1	0	0.36
2	0	0.87
3	0	0.42
4	0	0.13
5	0	0.10
6	1	0.40
7	1	0.87
8	1	0.83

Number of Events : 3

Number of Non-Events : 5

Number of Distinct Pairs of Events and Non-Events

= #Events x #Non-Events

 $= 3 \times 5$

= 15

DAID				
PAIR	ID	TARGET	PREDICTION	RESULT
1	1	0	0.36	Concordant
•	6	1	0.40	Concordant
2	1	0	0.36	Concordant
2	7	1	0.87	Concordant
3	1	0	0.36	Concordant
3	8	1	0.83	Concordant
4	2	0	0.87	Discordant
4	6	1	0.40	Discordant
5	2	0	0.87	Tied
3	7	1	0.87	rieu
6	2	0	0.87	Discordant
U	8	1	0.83	Discordant
7	3	0	0.42	Discordant
•	6	1	0.40	Discordant
8	3	0	0.42	Concordant
U	7	1	0.87	Ooncordant
9	3	0	0.42	Concordant
J	8	1	0.83	Concordant
10	4	0	0.13	Concordant
10	6	1	0.40	Concordant
11	4	0	0.13	Concordant
	7	1	0.87	Concordant
12	4	0	0.13	Concordant
	8	1	0.83	Comoordant
13	5	0	0.10	Concordant
.0	6	1	0.40	Comoordant
14	5	0	0.10	Concordant
• •	7	1	0.87	Jonesia
15	5	0	0.10	Concordant
10	8	1	0.83	Jonoordant

Pairs = 15

#Concordant Pairs = 11

#Discordant Pairs = 3

#Tied Pairs = 1

Percent Concordance

= 11/15 = **73.3**

Percent Discordance

= 3/15 = **20.0**

Percent Tied

= 1/15 = 6.7



SAS Implementation

Below is the syntax for computing concordance and discordance metrics

```
PROC LOGISTIC DATA = < modeling dataset>
                                                 Specify name of modeling dataset for regression
            NAMELEN = 32
                                                 This option does not let variable name length get truncated to 20
            DESCENDING:
                                                 This option reverses the sorting order for the levels of dependent variable
MODEL <dependent> = <regressors>
            SELECTION = <selection method>
                                                 Specify variable selection method
            SLE
                        = <SLE criterion>
                                                 Specify significance level of entry and stay
                        = <SLS criterion>
            SLS
ODS OUTPUT ASSOCIATION = <output data> ;
                                                 This statement generates concordance/discordance output dataset
RUN;
```

- In addition to percent concordance, percent discordance and percent tied, the **ASSOCIATION** table reports four more metrics:
 - Somer's D
 - Goodman-Kruskal Gamma
 - Kendall's Tau-a
 - С





Illustrative SAS Output

LST File

concordance_calculation.lst

Association of Predicted Probabilities and Observed Responses

Percent Concordant 73.3 Somers' D 0.533
Percent Discordant 20 Gamma 0.571
Percent Tied 6.7 Tau-a 0.286
Pairs 15 c 0.767

SAS Dataset

	association.sas7bdat					
	Label1	cValue1	nValue1	Label2	cValue2	nValue2
1	Percent Concordant	73.3	73.333333	Somers' D	0.533	0.533333
2	Percent Discordant	20	20	Gamma	0.571	0.571429
3	Percent Tied	6.7	6.666667	Tau-a	0.286	0.285714
4	Pairs	15	15	С	0.767	0.766667

Guidelines / Thumb Rules

Percent Concordance	Interpretation
< 70	Poor Discrimination
70-80	Acceptable Discrimination
80-90	Good Discrimination
> 90	Excellent Discrimination

Higher percent concordance indicates better good-bad discrimination power

Somer 's
$$D = \frac{n_C - n_D}{n_P}$$

Gamma $= \frac{n_C - n_D}{n_C + n_D}$

Gini

Coefficient

$$Tau - a = \frac{n_C - n_D}{0.5 N (N - 1)}$$

where

N = #observati ons in dat aset $n_C = \#concordant$ pairs $n_D = \#discordant$ pairs $n_T = \#tied\ pairs$ $n_P = total\ \#pairs$

$$i.e. n_P = n_C + n_D + n_T$$





2.1.3. Receiver Operating Characteristics (ROC)

ROC graph is a 2-dimensional graph in which

- True positive rate is plotted on the Y-axis
- False positive rate is plotted on the X-axis

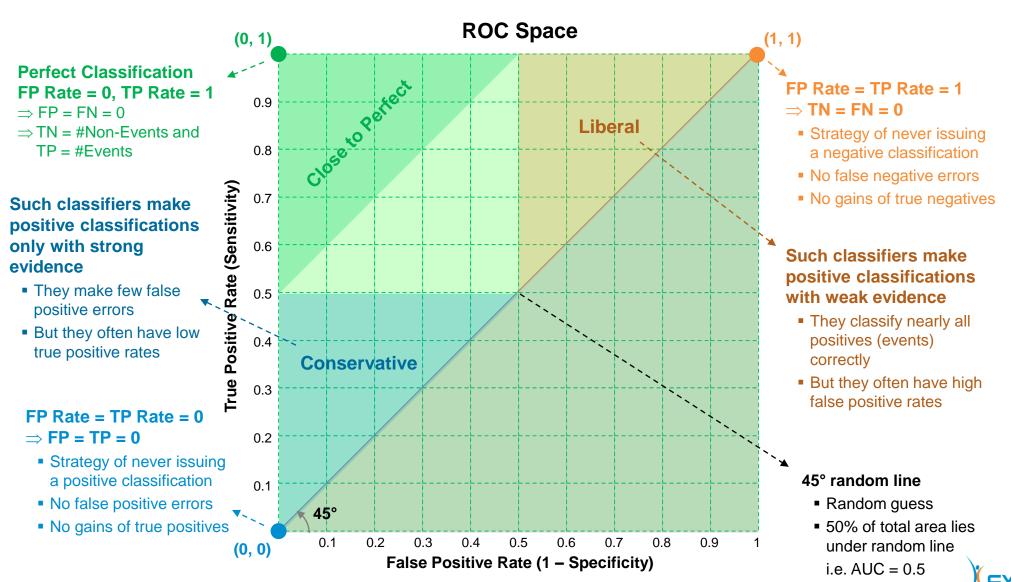
True Positive Rate (or Sensitivity)

True Positive Rate $= \frac{\#Events\ co}{\#Events} \quad \frac{rrectly\ cl\ assified\ a\ s\ Event}{\#Events}$ $= \frac{TP}{TP\ + FN}$

False Positive Rate	(or 1 - Specificity)
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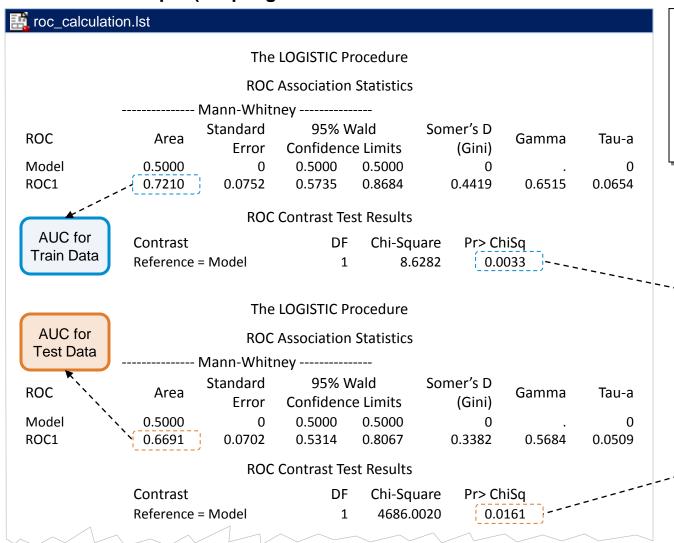


SAS Implementation

```
PROC LOGISTIC DATA = <train dataset> ———
                                                       Specify name of modeling dataset for regression
                NAMELEN = 32 —————
                                                        This option does not let variable name length get truncated to 20
                DESCENDING;
                                                        This option reverses the sorting order for the levels of dependent variable
MODEL <dependent> = <regressors>
                                                        Specify variable selection method
             SELECTION = <selection method>
              SLE
                           = <SLE criterion>
                                                        Specify significance level of entry and stay
              SLS
                           = <SLS criterion>
                                                        This option creates ROC output dataset for train data; To be used to plot ROC graph
                           = <train ROC dataset>;
              OUTROC
                                                        This option generates train scored dataset
                           = <train predictions>
OUTPUT
              OUT
                           = P 1;
                                                        This option requests for score variable name. Specify P 1 to denote probability of event
              DATA
                                                        This option requests for name of test dataset as input
SCORE
                           = <test dataset>
                                                        This option generates test scored dataset
                           = <test predictions> -
              OUT
                                                        This option creates ROC output dataset for test data; To be used to plot ROC graph
              OUTROC
                           = <test ROC dataset>;
RUN;
PROC LOGISTIC DATA = <train predictions> DESCENDING ;
                                                        Specify only dependent variable. Do not specify regressors
MODEL < dependent> = ;
                                                       Specify P 1 as score variable name
ROC PRED = P_1;
                                                        This option compares Random AUC (0.5) with train AUC and checks significance
ROCCONTRAST;
RUN;
PROC LOGISTIC DATA = <test predictions> DESCENDING ;
MODEL <dependent> = ;
                                                       Specify only dependent variable. Do not specify regressors
ROC PRED = P_1;
                                                       Specify P 1 as score variable name
ROCCONTRAST;
                                                       This option compares Random AUC (0.5) with test AUC and checks significance
RUN;
```



Illustrative SAS Output (Output generated due to ROC PRED= and ROCCONTRAST options)



Guidelines for Assessment

AUC	Classification
0.5	No Discrimination
0.6-0.7	Poor
0.7-0.8	Acceptable
0.8-0.9	Good
> 0.9	Excellent

p-value is quite low (<0.05) and therefore **train data's AUC** is significantly different from 0.5 benchmark (AUC from random guessing)

p-value is quite low (<0.05) and therefore **test data's AUC** is significantly different from 0.5 benchmark (AUC from random guessing)





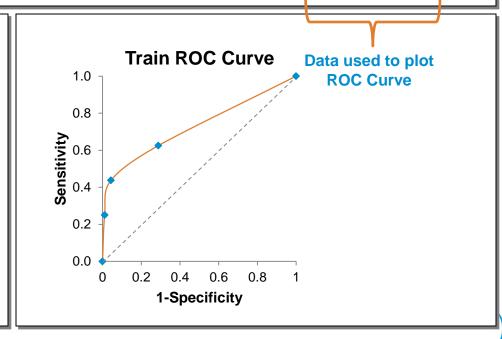
Illustrative SAS Output (Output generated due to OUTROC=<train ROC dataset> option)

Train ROC Dataset

	train_outroc.sas7bdat									
	STEP	_PROB_	_POS_	_NEG_	_FALPOS_	_FALNEG_	_SENSIT_	_1MSPEC_		
1	1	0.586335	4	182	2	12	0.25	0.01087		
2	1	0.292755	7	176	8	9	0.4375	0.043478		
3	1	0.107847	10	131	53	6	0.625	0.288043		
4	1	0.034099	16	0	184	0	1	1		

Variable Description

Variable	Meaning
STEP	Model Building Step
PROB	Cut-off Probability Level for Assigning Classes
POS	No. of Correctly Predicted Events
NEG	No. of Correctly Predicted Nonevents
FALPOS	No. of Nonevents Predicted as Events
FALNEG	No. of Events Predicted as Nonevents
SENSIT	Sensitivity
1MSPEC	1 - Specificity





Illustrative SAS Output (Output generated due to OUTROC=<test ROC dataset> option)

Test ROC Dataset

te	est_outroc.sas7bo	dat					
	PROB	_POS_	_NEG_	_FALPOS_	_FALNEG_	_SENSIT_	_1MSPEC_
1	0.982732	0	157	1	14	0	0.006329
2	0.943246	0	156	2	14	0	0.012658
3	0.829164	0	155	3	14	0	0.018987
4	0.586335	0	154	4	14	0	0.025316
5	0.292755	2	147	11	12	0.142857	0.06962
6	0.107847	8	123	35	6	0.571429	0.221519
7	0.034099	14	0	158	0	1	1

Variable Description

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PROB	Cut-off Probability Level for Assigning Classes
POS	No. of Correctly Predicted Events
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FALPOS	No. of Nonevents Predicted as Events
FALNEG	No. of Events Predicted as Nonevents
SENSIT	Sensitivity
1MSPEC	1 - Specificity

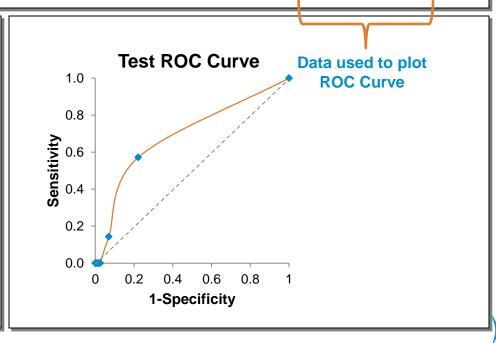




Illustration: Manual Computation of Area Under the Curve (AUC) from ROC Data Points

Train AUC Calculation

	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н
1	_PROB_	_SENSIT_	_1MSPEC_	LAG_SENSIT_	LAG_1MSPEC_	(B) + (D)	(C) – (E)	0.5 x (F) x (G)
2	0.5863	0.2500	0.0109	0.0000	0.0000	0.2500	0.0109	0.0014
3	0.2928	0.4375	0.0435	0.2500	0.0109	0.6875	0.0326	0.0112
4	0.1078	0.6250	0.2880	0.4375	0.0435	1.0625	0.2446	0.1299
5	0.0341	1.0000	1.0000	0.6250	0.2880	1.6250	0.7120	0.5785
6	- 1		1					AUC = $\Sigma(H) = 0.7210$

Data from TRAIN_OUTROC dataset

AUC for Train Data

Test AUC Calculation

	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н
1	_PROB_	_SENSIT_	_1MSPEC_	LAG_SENSIT_	LAG_1MSPEC_	(B) + (D)	(C) – (E)	0.5 x (F) x (G)
2	0.9827	0.0000	0.0063	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0063	0.0000
3	0.9432	0.0000	0.0127	0.0000	0.0063	0.0000	0.0063	0.0000
4	0.8292	0.0000	0.0190	0.0000	0.0127	0.0000	0.0063	0.0000
5	0.5863	0.0000	0.0253	0.0000	0.0190	0.0000	0.0063	0.0000
6	0.2928	0.1429	0.0696	0.0000	0.0253	0.1429	0.0443	0.0032
7	0.1078	0.5714	0.2215	0.1429	0.0696	0.7143	0.1519	0.0542
8	0.0341	1.0000	1.0000	0.5714	0.2215	1.5714	0.7785	0.6117
9	ı		1					AUC = $\Sigma(H) = 0.6691$

Data from TEST_OUTROC dataset

AUC for Test Data



Illustration: Train AUC from SAS Output

LST File

encordance.lst							
Association of Predicted Probabilities and Observed Responses							
Percent Concordant	56.0	Somers' D	0.442				
Percent Discordant	11.8	Gamma	0.651				
Percent Tied	32.2	Tau-a	0.065				
Pairs	2944	С	0.721				

Train AUC Calculation

Method 1

Method 2

$$AUC = c = 0.721$$



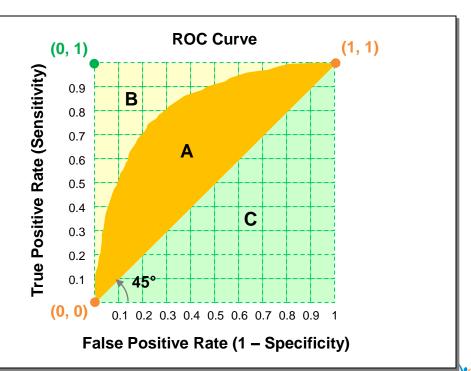


2.1.4. Gini Coefficient

Gini coefficient is a measure of degree of discrimination between goods (non-events) and bads (events)

- Gini coefficient is twice the area between ROC curve and 45° random line of equality
- Gini coefficient varies between 0 and 1
 - Gini = 0 implies no discrimination
 - Gini = 1 implies perfect discrimination

Relation between Gini and AUC





Relation between Gini and Concordance

Two important points:

- Gini is simply the difference between concordance and discordance
- Gini is equivalent to Somer's D

$$Gini = 2 AUC - 1$$

$$= 2 \left(\frac{n_C + 0.5 n_T}{n_P} \right) - 1$$

$$= \frac{2 n_C + n_T - n_P}{n_P}$$

$$= \frac{2 n_C + n_T - (n_C + n_D + n_T)}{n_P}$$

$$= \frac{n_C - n_D}{n_P}$$

$$= Somer 's D$$

Recall from Section 2.1.2

Somer 's
$$D = \frac{n_C - n_D}{n_P}$$

$$c \text{ (i.e. } AUC \text{)} = \frac{n_C + 0.5 n_T}{n_P}$$

where

$$n_{C} = \# concordant$$
 pairs $n_{D} = \# discordant$ pairs $n_{T} = \# tied \ pairs$ $n_{P} = total \ \# pairs$

 $i.e. n_P = n_C + n_D + n_T$





Illustration: Gini from SAS Output

LST File (Illustration from Section 2.1.2)

encordance_calculation.lst							
Association of Predicted Probabilities and Observed Responses							
Percent Concordant	73.3	Somers' D	0.533				
Percent Discordant	20	Gamma	0.571				
Percent Tied	6.7	Tau-a	0.286				
Pairs	15	С	0.767				

Gini Calculation

Method 1

Method 2

Gini = Somer's
$$D = 0.533$$

Method 3

Gini =
$$2AUC - 1 = 2(0.767) - 1 = 0.533$$





2.1.5. Cumulative Lift Chart

Cumulative lift chart (also known as cumulative gains chart) is a widely used measure of model's effectiveness in capturing bads (events) by rank-ordering of population based on model's score (predictions)

- Lift is not a single value for overall model. It is calculated at bin level. The bins may be:
 - Deciles (i.e. 10 equal-sized bins); or
 - **Demi-Deciles** (i.e. 20 equal-sized bins); or
 - Percentiles (i.e. 100 equal-sized bins)
- Lift is computed after rank-ordering of records based on model's score. Scale of score does not matter
- Model performance is generally assessed by examining cumulative lift at top 1, 2 or 3 deciles

Steps for Cumulative Lift Calculation

- Sort data by predicted value (i.e. model's score) in descending order, given that focus class is TARGET = 1 Step 1
- Divide data into 10, 20 or 100 equal sized bins Step 2
- Summarize data at bin level and compute bin population, #events and #non-events for each bin Step 3
- For each bin, calculate bin lift as ratio of #events captured in the bin to total #events in the dataset Step 4
- Calculate cumulative lift as %cumulative events captured at bin level Step 5
- Plot cumulative lift chart with '%Cumulative Population' on X-axis and '%Cumulative Events Captured' on Y-axis Step 6





Illustration: Customer Attrition (Target Variable: IND_ATTR)

Train Dataset

train.sas7bdat								
	CUST_ID	IND_ATTR	PRED					
1	X00001	0	0.0062					
2	X00004	0	0.0084					
	<rows deleted=""></rows>							
4000	X08145	0	0.0235					
4001	X08147	1	0.0643					
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19877	X40001	0	0.0463					
19878	X40003	0	0.0044					
19879	X40004	0	0.0810					

				Step 1				
train_sort.sas7bdat								
		CUST_ID	IND_ATTR	PRED				
	1	X14638	1	0.1663				
	2	X12184	0	0.1546				
		<	<rows deleted:<="" td=""></rows>					
	4000	X00696	0	0.0266				
	4001	X01066	1	0.0245				
		<	<rows deleted:<="" td=""></rows>					
	19877	X11431	0	0.0009				
	19878	X18221	0	0.0005				
	19879	X00940	0	0.0002				

	s					
traiı	train_sort_bin.sas7bdat					
	CUST_ID	IND_ATTR	PRED	BIN		
1	X14638	1	0.1663	1		
2	X12184	0	0.1546	1		
	<rows deleted=""></rows>					
4000	X00696	0	0.0266	3		
4001	X01066	1	0.0245	3		
	<rows deleted=""></rows>					
19877	X11431	0	0.0009	10		
19878	X18221	0	0.0005	10		
19879	X00940	0	0.0002	10		

					Step 4	Step 5	
	Α	В	С	D	E	F	
1	BIN	OBS	BADS	GOODS	BIN_LIFT = (C) $\div \Sigma$ (C)	CUM_LIFT	
2	1	1,987	134	1,853	36.3%	36.3%	
3	2	1,988	71	1,917	19.2%	55.6%	
4	3	1,988	39	1,949	10.6%	66.1%	
5	4	1,988	41	1,947	11.1%	77.2%	4
6	5	1,988	24	1,964	6.5%	83.7%	
7	6	1,988	19	1,969	5.1%	88.9%	
8	7	1,988	14	1,974	3.8%	92.7%	
9	8	1,988	14	1,974	3.8%	96.5%	
10	9	1,988	7	1,981	1.9%	98.4%	
11	10	1,988	6	1,982	1.6%	100.0%	
12		$\Sigma(B) = 19.879$	$\Sigma(C) = 369$	$\Sigma(D) = 19.510$	$\Sigma(E) = 100\%$		

				Step 3
t				
	BIN	OBS	BADS	GOODS
1	1	1987	134	1853
2	2	1988	71	1917
3	3	1988	39	1949
4	4	1988	41	1947
5	5	1988	24	1964
6	6	1988	19	1969
7	7	1988	14	1974
8	8	1988	14	1974
9	9	1988	7	1981
10	10	1988	6	1982



Illustration: Customer Attrition (Target Variable: IND_ATTR) Continued . . . **Test Dataset** Step 2 Step 1 test.sas7bdat test sort bin.sas7bdat test sort.sas7bdat **CUST ID** IND ATTR **PRED CUST ID** IND ATTR **PRED CUST ID PRED** IND ATTR BIN X00002 0.0281 X00920 0.1546 X00920 0.1546 0 0 X00003 0.0190 2 0 2 X11300 0.1319 2 X11300 0.1319 1 <Rows Deleted> <Rows Deleted> <Rows Deleted> 4000 X08123 0.1286 4000 X00100 0.0262 4000 X00100 0.0262 3 X08124 0.0007 4001 0 4001 4001 X35937 0 0.0239 X35937 0 0.0239 3 <Rows Deleted> <Rows Deleted> <Rows Deleted> X40011 19901 0 0.0123 X15836 X15836 19901 0 0.0008 19901 0 0.0008 10 19902 X40015 0.0003 0 0.0004 0.0004 19902 X00591 0 19902 X00591 0 10 19903 X40027 0.0318 X00009 0 19903 0 0.0002 19903 X00009 0 0.0002 10 Step 5 Step 3 Step 4 test_bin_summary.sas7bdat Α В С D BIN **OBS GOODS BADS BIN OBS BADS GOODS** $BIN_LIFT = (C) \div \Sigma(C)$ **CUM LIFT** 1 1990 126 1864 1 1,990 126 1,864 32.1% 2 1 32.1% 2 2 1990 76 1914 76 19.3% 3 2 1,990 1,914 51.4% 3 1990 53 1937 3 13.5% 4 3 1,990 53 1,937 64.9% 4 1991 36 1955 9.2% 4 5 1.991 36 1.955 74.0% 4 6 1.990 34 1,956 8.7% 82.7% 5 5 1990 34 1956 5

3.8%

5.6%

3.3%

2.3%

2.3%

 $\Sigma(E) = 100\%$

86.5%

92.1%

95.4%

97.7%

100.0%

6

7

8

9

10

6

7

8

9

10

1990

1991

1990

1990

1991

15

22

13

9

9

 $\Sigma(C) = 393$

1,975

1.969

1.977

1,981

1,982

 $\Sigma(D) = 19.510$

1,990

1.991

1.990

1,990

1,991

 $\Sigma(B) = 19,903$

7

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1975

1969

1977

1981

1982

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22

13

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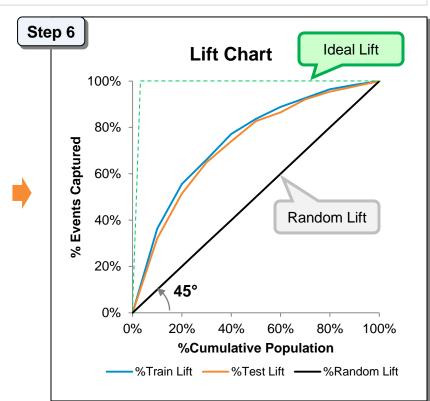


Illustration: Customer Attrition (Target Variable: IND_ATTR)

Continued . . .

- Ideal Lift: Model is able to rank order all events above non-events. At Event Rate, Ideal Lift = 100%
- Random Lift: At X% population, X% events are captured by random guessing. Random Lift Curve is 45° line

	Α	В	С	D
1	Bin	%Cumulative Population	%Train Cumulative Lift	%Test Cumulative Lift
2	1	10%	36.3%	32.1%
3	2	20%	55.6%	51.4%
4	3	30%	66.1%	64.9%
5	4	40%	77.2%	74.0%
6	5	50%	83.7%	82.7%
7	6	60%	88.9%	86.5%
8	7	70%	92.7%	92.1%
9	8	80%	96.5%	95.4%
10	9	90%	98.4%	97.7%
11	10	100%	100.0%	100.0%



Interpretation (based on test dataset results): Any incentive strategy devised for top 20% customers (3,980 out of 19,903 customers) is expected to capture more than 50% attrition cases (202 out of 393 attrition cases)





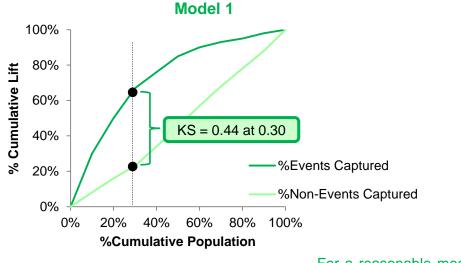
2.1.6. Kolmogorov-Smirnov (K-S) Statistic

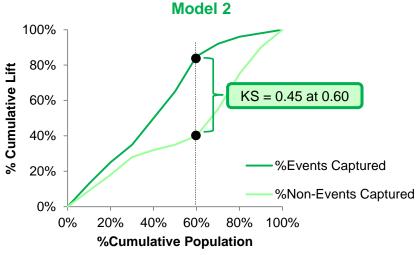
Meaning

K-S statistic is the maximum vertical difference between the cumulative lift curve for events (goods) and the cumulative lift curve for non-events (bads)

Word of Caution

K-S is based on a single point on the good and bad distributions – the point where the cumulative distributions are the most different. It shouldn't be relied upon without carefully looking at the distributions







For a reasonable model, KS value (maximum difference) should be attained within top few deciles



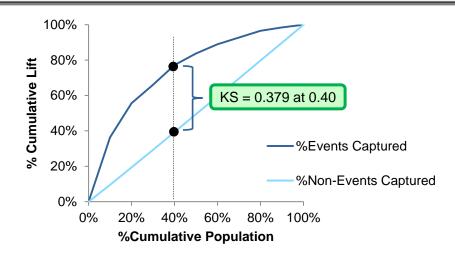




Illustration: Customer Attrition (Target Variable: IND_ATTR)

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Train Dataset K-S Statistic



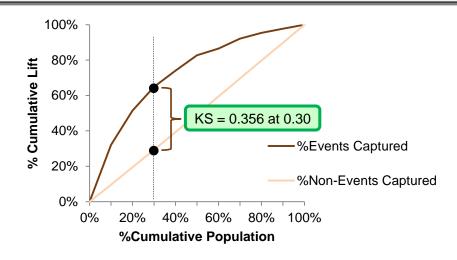
	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н	I
1	Bin	Cases	Bads	Goods	Bin Lift for Bads (C) ÷ Σ(C)	Cumulative Lift for Bads	Bin Lift for Goods (D) ÷ Σ(D)	Cumulative Lift for Goods	(F) – (H)
2	1	1,987	134	1,853	36.3%	36.3%	9.5%	9.5%	0.268
3	2	1,988	71	1,917	19.2%	55.6%	9.8%	19.3%	0.362
4	3	1,988	39	1,949	10.6%	66.1%	10.0%	29.3%	0.368
5	4	1,988	41	1,947	11.1%	77.2%	10.0%	39.3%	0.379
6	5	1,988	24	1,964	6.5%	83.7%	10.1%	49.4%	0.344
7	6	1,988	19	1,969	5.1%	88.9%	10.1%	59.5%	0.294
8	7	1,988	14	1,974	3.8%	92.7%	10.1%	69.6%	0.231
9	8	1,988	14	1,974	3.8%	96.5%	10.1%	79.7%	0.168
10	9	1,988	7	1,981	1.9%	98.4%	10.2%	89.8%	0.085
11	10	1,988	6	1,982	1.6%	100.0%	10.2%	100.0%	0.000
12		$\Sigma(B) = 19,879$	$\Sigma(C) = 369$	$\Sigma(D) = 19,510$	Σ(E) = 100%		Σ(G) = 100%		



Illustration: Customer Attrition (Target Variable: IND_ATTR)

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Test Dataset K-S Statistic



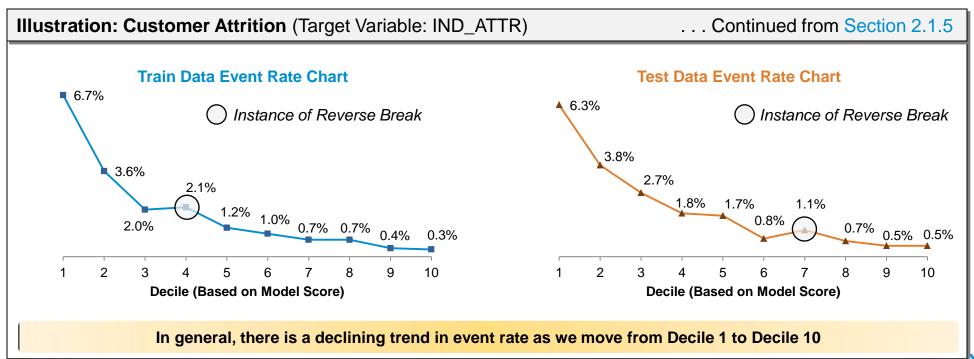
	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н	I
1	Bin	Cases	Bads	Goods	Bin Lift for Bads (C) ÷ Σ(C)	Cumulative Lift for Bads	Bin Lift for Goods (D) ÷ Σ(D)	Cumulative Lift for Goods	(F) – (H)
2	1	1,990	126	1,864	32.1%	32.1%	9.6%	9.6%	0.225
3	2	1,990	76	1,914	19.3%	51.4%	9.8%	19.4%	0.320
4	3	1,990	53	1,937	13.5%	64.9%	9.9%	29.3%	0.356
5	4	1,991	36	1,955	9.2%	74.0%	10.0%	39.3%	0.347
6	5	1,990	34	1,956	8.7%	82.7%	10.0%	49.3%	0.334
7	6	1,990	15	1,975	3.8%	86.5%	10.1%	59.5%	0.271
8	7	1,991	22	1,969	5.6%	92.1%	10.1%	69.6%	0.226
9	8	1,990	13	1,977	3.3%	95.4%	10.1%	79.7%	0.157
10	9	1,990	9	1,981	2.3%	97.7%	10.2%	89.8%	0.079
11	10	1,991	9	1,982	2.3%	100.0%	10.2%	100.0%	0.000
12		$\Sigma(B) = 19,903$	$\Sigma(C) = 393$	$\Sigma(D) = 19,510$	Σ(E) = 100%		Σ(G) = 100%		



2.1.7. Decile-wise Event Rate Chart

In addition to Lift chart, a decile-wise event rate chart is plotted to gauge if the event rate rank orders well

- Moving down from Decile 1 to Decile 10, average value of target (i.e. event rate) should ideally fall monotonically
- However, in practice, few instances of reverse breaks may be observed. If such breaks exist but if they are neither frequent nor significant, the model may still be accepted





2.1.8. Hosmer-Lemeshow Test

Usage

- Hosmer-Lemeshow test is a goodness-of-fit test for a binary target variable
- Unlike many other goodness-of-fit measures, it does not focus on gauging model's discriminatory power but aims at judging how closely the observed and the predicted values match

Procedure

- Observations are divided into 10 deciles based on estimated probabilities
- For each decile, compute
 - a. Number of observed events (i.e. number of observations with event flag = 1)
 - b. Number of expected events (i.e. total number of observations in decile multiplied by average predicted probability)
- Discrepancies between observed and expected number of events in the deciles are summarized by the Pearson chi-square statistic, which is compared with a chi-square distribution with DF = 8 (#deciles – 2)
- A small p-value (<0.05) suggests that the fitted model is not an adequate model

H-L Test Statistic

$$\chi_{HL}^{2} = \sum_{i=1}^{g} \frac{(O_{i} - N_{i} \overline{\pi}_{i})^{2}}{N_{i} \overline{\pi}_{i} (1 - \overline{\pi}_{i})}$$

$$g = \text{Number of groups } (g = 10 \text{ in case of deciles})$$

$$O_{i} = \text{Observed number of events in group } i$$

$$N_{i} = \text{Total number of observatio ns in group } i$$

$$\overline{\pi}_{i} = \text{Average predicted probabilit y in group } i$$

where





SAS Implementation

Below is the syntax for generating Hosmer-Lemeshow test statistic

```
PROC LOGISTIC DATA = <modeling dataset>
                                                 Specify name of modeling dataset for regression
            NAMELEN = 32
                                                 This option does not let variable name length get truncated to 20
            DESCENDING:
                                                 This option reverses the sorting order for the levels of dependent variable
MODEL <dependent> = <regressors>
            SELECTION = < selection method>
                                                 Specify variable selection method
            SLE
                        = <SLE criterion>
                                                 Specify significance level of entry and stay
                        = <SLS criterion>
            SLS
            LACKFIT; -
                                                 This option requests Hosmer-Lemeshow goodness-of-fit test
RUN;
```





Illustration: Hosmer-Lemeshow Test (SAS Output)

LST File

🏥 hl_test.lst					
	Parti	tion for the Ho	smer and Len	neshow Test	
		Targe	et = 1	Targe	t = 0
Group	Total	Observed	Expected	Observed	Expected
1	45	3	2.22	42	42.78
2	45	4	4.70	41	40.30
3	45	9	8.72	36	36.28
4	45	11	12.70	34	32.30
5	45	18	18.88	27	26.12
6	45	24	25.06	21	19.94
7	45	29	28.94	16	16.06
8	45	39	33.91	6	11.09
9	45	41	40.76	4	4.24
10	41	38	40.11	3	0.89
	Hosn	ner and Leme	show Goodnes	ss-of-Fit Test	
	Chi-Squ	are	DF	Pr	> ChiSq
	9.1	720	8		0.3280
	~ ^	1			

p-value is quite high (>0.05) and therefore the expected frequencies are not significantly different from the observed frequencies, indicating good model fit



Exercise



Exercise 1. Default Payment Probability Prediction Model

A magazine publication company wants to identify the customers who are likely to default on their subscription payments.

Server : 172.16.70.31

Location: T:\IND004\sas training\methodology\module_5

Train Data : train_sample_1 (Number of Observations: 60,733)
Test Data : test_sample_1 (Number of Observations: 60,188)

	Variable	Туре	Label
1	CUST_ID	Num	Customer identification number
2	IND_PAY_DEFAULT	Num	Takes value 1 if customer did not pay dues on time
3	IND_ADDRESS_CHANGED	Num	Takes value 1 if customer changed residential address in past one year
4	IND_CR_STAT_UNPAID_EVER	Num	Takes value 1 if customer credit status has ever been tagged as unpaid
5	ORDER_CNT	Num	Number of orders placed by customer during his tenure
6	MTHS_TO_ORDER_EXPIRATION	Num	Number of months left in expiration of current order
7	PROP_DIRECT_ORDER	Num	Ratio of number of orders placed by customer via direct channel to total number of orders
8	VARIETY_RATIO	Num	Ratio of number of distinct products used by customer to total number of orders
9	IND_SOUTH_REGION	Num	Takes value 1 if customer belongs to south region
10	IND_PROM_MAIL_SENT	Num	Takes value 1 if any promotional mail was sent to the customer in past 1 month
11	CUST_TENURE	Num	Customer tenure in months
12	IND_EAST_REGION	Num	Takes value 1 if customer belongs to east region

Build a logistic regression model

(target variable: IND_PAY_DEFAULT, SLE = SLS = 0.05, selection method: BACKWARD)



Exercise



Exercise 1. Default Payment Probability Prediction Model

... Continued

For the developed model,

- a. Generate classification table and analyze it to find probability cut-off
- b. Report percent concordance and percent discordance for train dataset
- Calculate AUC and Gini for train and test datasets
- d. Calculate Hosmer-Lemeshow statistic for train dataset
- e. Plot cumulative lift chart for train and test datasets
- f. Compute K-S Statistic for train and test datasets
- g. Plot decile-wise default rate for train and test datasets





2.2 Linear Regression Performance Measures

2.2.1. R² (Coefficient of Determination)

k-Variable Linear Regression Equation

Observed: $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + ... + \beta_k X_k + \varepsilon$

Model : $\hat{Y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X_1 + ... + \hat{\beta}_k X_k$

R² Interpretation

- Proportion of variation in target variable (Y) explained by the model (\hat{Y})
- R² is a goodness-of-fit measure, which is also known as coefficient of determination

R² Definition 1

$$R^2 = \frac{ESS}{TSS} = 1 - \frac{RSS}{TSS}$$

where

 $ESS = \sum_{i} (\hat{Y} - \overline{Y})^2 = Explained$ Sum of Squares (also known as Regression Sum of Squares)

$$RSS = \sum_{i} (Y - \hat{Y})^2 = Residual$$
 Sum of Squares

$$TSS = \sum (Y - \overline{Y})^2 = \text{Total Sum of Squares} = ESS + RSS$$

R² Definition 2

$$R^{2} = \left(correlatio \quad n(Y, \hat{Y})\right)^{2}$$



Things to Remember

 $0 \le R^2 \le 1$





2.2.2. Adjusted R²

Adjusted R² is a modification of R² that adjusts for the number of explanatory terms in the model

- Unlike R², adjusted R² increases only if the new term improves the model more than expected by chance
- Adjusted R² can be negative
- Adjusted $R^2 \le R^2$

$$Adj \cdot R^{2} = 1 - \frac{(1 - R^{2})(n - m)}{n - (k + m)}$$

where

 R^2 = Unadjusted R - Square

n =Number of observatio ns in the sample

k =Number of explanator y variables

m = 1 if model has an intercept term; otherwise m = 0





2.2.3. Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE)

Meaning and Usage

- Estimate of standard deviation of the error term
- Calculated as square root of Mean Squared Error (MSE)
- Scale dependent metric which does not have standalone meaning
- Used for comparison across models for model selection

$$RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (Y_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2}{n}}$$

where

 $Y_i = Observed value$

 \hat{Y}_{i} = Predicted value

n = Number of observatio



Things to Remember

Similar to RMSE, there are few more metrics that can be used to compare models

- 1. Mean Error (ME)
- 2. Mean Squared Error (MSE)
- 3. Mean Absolute Error (MAE)
- 4. Mean Percentage Error (MPE)
- 5. Mean Absolute Percentage Error (MAPE)





2.2.4. Coefficient of Variation (COV)

Meaning and Usage

- COV is calculated as ratio of RMSE to Dependent Variable Mean, multiplied by 100
- Unlike RMSE, it is a unit-less expression of variation in data

$$COV = \frac{RMSE}{Y} \times 100 \%$$

where

$$Y =$$
Average Value of Dependent Variable





2.2.5. Primary and Secondary Diagonal

Things to Remember

Banding is subjective. Do not manipulate bands for generating over-optimistic results

Procedure

Step 1 : Create bands based on actual (i.e. observed) and predicted values

Step 2 : Cross tabulate actual and predicted value bands and examine frequency distribution

: Sum up percentages in primary diagonal cells to report primary diagonal metric Step 3a

Step 3b : Sum up percentages in secondary diagonal cells to report secondary diagonal metric

		ary Diagonal N ndary Diagona		: 31.7% : 28.4%					Primary Di Secondary	•
	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	H	I	J
1					Pre	dicted Value Ba	nds			
2			1. < 1K	2. 1K - 10K	3. 10K - 25K	4. 25K - 50K	5. 50K - 75K	6. 75K - 100K	7. 100K+	Total
3	S	1. < 1K	5.1%	1.4%	0.7%	0.3%	0.1%	4.4%	2.3%	14.3%
4	ands	2. 1K - 10K	3.6%	7.1%	3.8%	4.5%	3.3%	0.8%	0.1%	23.2%
5	еВ	3. 10K - 25K	0.0%	1.4%	2.0%	1.5%	0.3%	0.0%	1.4%	6.8%
6	alu	4. 25K - 50K	3.0%	3.1%	3.2%	4.6%	3.5%	0.3%	1.2%	18.7%
7	>	5. 50K - 75K	1.0%	0.7%	0.4%	1.4%	3.1%	1.7%	1.0%	9.2%
8	Actual Value B	6. 75K - 100K	1.4%	0.7%	1.0%	0.0%	1.4%	3.7%	1.9%	10.2%
9	A	7. 100K+	0.3%	0.0%	1.4%	3.0%	3.1%	3.5%	6.1%	17.5%
10		Total	14.4%	14.5%	12.5%	15.4%	14.7%	14.5%	14.1%	100.0%

Higher primary and secondary diagonal values indicate better model performance





2.2.6. SAS Implementation

SAS Syntax

```
PROC REG DATA = <modeling dataset>; Specify name of modeling dataset for regression

MODEL <dependent> = <regressors>

/ SELECTION = <selection method> Specify variable selection method

SLE = <SLE criterion> Specify significance level of entry and stay

QUIT;
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Illustration





2.2.7. Residual Analysis

Need for Residual Analysis

Objective 1: To check whether the residuals are 'pattern less' (randomly scattered) centered around zero

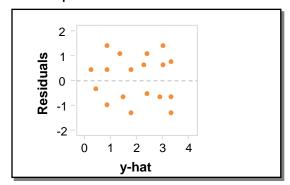
Method of Analysis: Residual Plot

Objective 2: To check whether the residuals follow a normal distribution

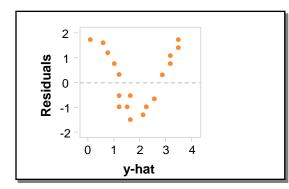
Method of Analysis: Normal Q-Q Plot

Residual Plot

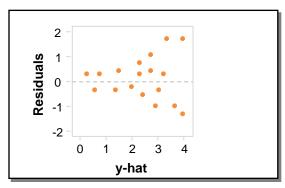
- A graph that shows the residuals on the vertical axis and the fitted values on the horizontal axis
- If the points in a residual plot are randomly dispersed around zero (horizontal axis), a linear regression model is appropriate for the data, otherwise a non-linear model is more appropriate
- Examples:



- Random scatter around zero
- Linear regression Is appropriate



- Distinct curved pattern (U-shaped)
- Linear model is not appropriate (bad fit)
- Non-linear model should be tried out

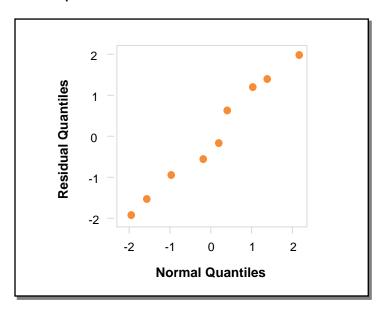


- Funnel shaped pattern
- More spread for larger fitted values (bad fit)
- Check for Heteroscedasticity



Normal Q-Q Plot

- Quantile-Quantile (Q-Q) plot is a graphical method for comparing two probability distributions by plotting their quantiles against each other
- Normal Q-Q plot shows the observed quantiles of residuals on the vertical axis and the theoretical quantiles of standard normal distribution on the horizontal axis
- If residuals follow normal distribution, the normal Q-Q plot should be a straight line
- Example:





Exercise



Exercise 2. Spend Prediction Model

A hospital management wants to have an estimate of monthly spend (revenue) from each existing patient.

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Train Data : train_sample_2 (Number of Observations: 3,500)
Test Data : test_sample_2 (Number of Observations: 1,500)

	Variable	Туре	Label
1	PATIENT_ID	Num	Patient identification number
2	SPEND	Num	Monthly spend by the patient
3	VISITS_3M	Num	Number of times patient visited hospital in last 3 months
4	IND_SPCL_SURGERY	Num	Takes value 1 if patient consulted a doctor with specialty in surgery
5	SEVERITY	Num	Severity index of disease (higher value indicates more severe disease)
6	AGE	Num	Age of the patient

Build a linear regression model

(target variable: SPEND, SLE = SLS = 0.05, selection method: BACKWARD)



Exercise



Exercise 2. Spend Prediction Model

... Continued

For the developed model, for train and test datasets compute

- R^2
- Adjusted R²
- **RMSE**
- Coefficient of Variation
- Primary and Secondary Diagonal Metrics





Chapter 3: Model Stabilization







3.1.1. Population Stability Index (PSI)

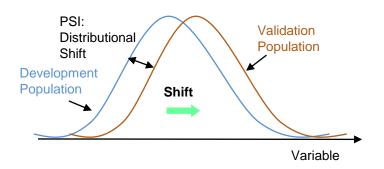
Meaning and Usage

- Widely used stability metric
- Measures the shift in population from development sample to validation sample

Formula

$$PSI = \sum \left[(\% \ Validation \ - \% \ Developmen \ t) \times LN \left(\frac{\% \ Validation}{\% \ Developmen \ t} \right) \right]$$

Frequency Distribution



Guidelines for Assessment								
<u>PSI</u>	<u>Interpretation</u>							
< 0.10 0.10-0.25 > 0.25	Populations are similar Some concern over stability Substantial change in populations							

Note: For a continuous variable, the bins are typically created by decile or demi-decile using development sample



3.1.2. PSI Applications

Score Stability Analysis

- PSI metric is calculated based on binning of the model score (predicted outcome)
- Objective is to ascertain if the score distribution shifted and in what direction

Illustration: Credit Risk Score

	Α	В	С	D	Е	F
1	Risk Score	DEV	VAL	%DEV	%VAL	PSI
2	<u><</u> 400	2,000	10,500	10.00%	10.50%	0.0002
3	401-500	2,000	9,300	10.00%	9.30%	0.0005
4	501-600	2,000	10,700	10.00%	10.70%	0.0005
5	601-700	2,000	9,500	10.00%	9.50%	0.0003
6	701-800	2,000	10,400	10.00%	10.40%	0.0002
7	801-900	2,000	10,500	10.00%	10.50%	0.0002
8	901-1000	2,000	9,100	10.00%	9.10%	0.0008
9	1001-1100	2,000	9,300	10.00%	9.30%	0.0005
10	1101-1200	2,000	11,000	10.00%	11.00%	0.0010
11	1200+	2,000	9,700	10.00%	9.70%	0.0001
12	Total	20,000	100,000	100.00%	100.00%	0.0043

Characteristic Stability Analysis

- PSI metric is calculated based on binning of a characteristic (i.e. explanatory variable)
- Objective is to examine shifts in distributions of individual characteristics and to understand if high PSI values of a set of characteristics could explain high PSI value of overall score

Illustration: Demographic Characteristic (AGE)

	Α	В	С	D	Е	F
1	AGE	DEV	VAL	%DEV	%VAL	PSI
2	<u><</u> 20	2,000	9,000	10.00%	9.00%	0.0011
3	21-25	2,000	9,000	10.00%	9.00%	0.0011
4	26-30	2,000	11,000	10.00%	11.00%	0.0010
5	31-35	2,000	9,000	10.00%	9.00%	0.0011
6	36-40	2,000	12,000	10.00%	12.00%	0.0036
7	41-45	2,000	7,000	10.00%	7.00%	0.0107
8	46-50	2,000	11,000	10.00%	11.00%	0.0010
9	51-55	2,000	11,000	10.00%	11.00%	0.0010
10	56-60	2,000	7,000	10.00%	7.00%	0.0107
11	60+	2,000	14,000	10.00%	14.00%	0.0135
12	Total	20,000	100,000	100.00%	100.00%	0.0445





3.2 Model Stability Boosting Techniques

3.2.1. k-Fold Cross Validation

Purpose

- Cross-validation (CV) is a way to predict the fit of a model to a hypothetical validation set when an explicit validation set is not available
- Cross validation provides a reasonable estimate of model fit. Usage of CV technique at the time of model development provides realistic estimate of benchmark performance and thus infuses stability

Steps

- 1. Randomly divide data into k folds of equal size
- Use k-1 folds data for training, and one fold for testing
- 3. Repeat k times until all folds are used for testing



Things to Remember

Advantage: All observations are used for both training and validation, and each observation is used for validation exactly once

Illustration

In 5-fold cross-validation, the data would be split into five equal sets A, B, C, D and E. Models would be developed on each four-fifths of the data using the remaining one-fifth for testing as follows:

	TRAIN	TEST
1	ABCD	E
2	ABCE	D
3	ACDE	В
4	BCDE	Α
5	ABDE	С



The results of 5 test datasets A, B, C, D and E are averaged to get the final estimate of model performance





3.2.2. Bootstrapping

Purpose

- Bootstrapping is a very effective technique to identify stable variables for model development
- It is a time consuming process and hence it is generally applied once a list of potential predictors (not more than 100) has already been identified. The idea is to pick most stable ones out of good performers.

Steps

- 1. Draw m samples (e.g. m = 1000) with 80% obs. selected randomly (with replacement) from train data
- 2. Build a model on each sample using a list of predictors and a model selection method (e.g. backward)
- 3. For each variable, compute 'percent occurrence' over all models
- 4. Apply a cut-off (e.g. 85%) on 'percent occurrence' to identify stable variables

Illustration: Telecom Churn (Target Variable: IND_CHURN)

	Α	В	С	D	
1	Variable	#Models	#Runs	Percent Occurrence	
2	LIFE_ON_FILE	1,000	1,000	100.0%	
3	DEVICE_QTY	1,000	1,000	100.0%	
4	ACCT_SIZE	956	1,000	95.6%	Stable Predictors
5	TOT_MRC_AMT	882	1,000	88.2%	
6	IND_BASIC_PHONE	875	1,000	87.5%	
7	OVERAGE_AMT	610	1,000	61.0%	65% Cut-OII
8	POP_PER_SQ_MILE	481	1,000	48.1%	Unstable Variables
9	SOUTH_REGION	350	1,000	35.0%	



Things to Remember

Bootstrapping is also used as a variable reduction technique along with stabilization





3.2.3. Coefficient Blasting

Things to Remember

Coefficient blasting may also be used as an ensemble technique along with stabilization

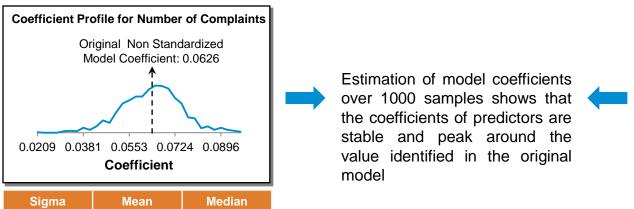
Purpose

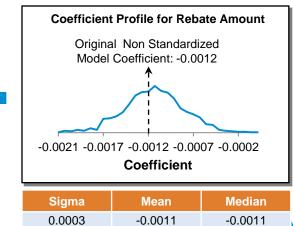
- Eliminate variables with inconsistent estimates; or
- Replace beta coefficients of original model with average beta values across samples

Steps

- Draw m samples (e.g. m = 1000) with 80% obs. selected randomly (with replacement) from train data
- Build a model on each sample using a 'fixed' list of predictors without any model selection method
- 3. For each variable, analyze the distribution of coefficients

Illustration: Membership Cancellation (Target Variable: IND CANCEL)





0.0111

0.0630

0.0627



3.2.4. Sensitivity Analysis

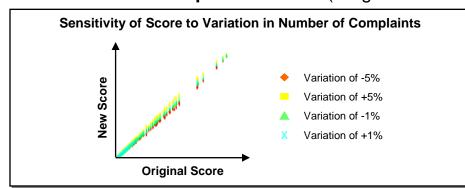
Purpose

Sensitivity analysis is carried out to gauge sensitivity of the model performance towards variation (+/- 5% and +/- 1%) in a particular variable

Steps

- Save original model equation and the predicted score
- Vary a particular predictor by +1% (keeping all other predictors fixed) and regenerate score
- Repeat step 2 using different percentages (-1%, +5% and -5%)
- Plot original score against new scores generated by variations in a particular predictor and analyze
- Repeat steps 2, 3 and 4 for all predictors one by one

Illustration: Membership Cancellation (Target Variable: IND_CANCEL)





The graph shows that the model is not over-sensitive to slight changes in the predictor (number of complaints)



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