STK-IN4300 Statistical Learning Methods in Data Science

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Outline of the lecture

- Model Assessment and Selection
 - Cross-Validation
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 - Principal Component Regression
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 - Ridge Regression

Cross-Validation: k-fold cross-validation

The cross-validation aims at estimating the expected test error,

$$\mathsf{Err} = E[L(Y, \hat{f}(X))].$$

- with enough data, we can split them in a training and test set;
- since usually it is not the case, we mimic this split by using the limited amount of data we have,
 - split data in K folds $\mathcal{F}_1, \ldots, \mathcal{F}_K$, approximatively same size;
 - use, in turn, K-1 folds to train the model (derive $\hat{f}^{-k}(X)$);
 - evaluate the model in the remaining fold,

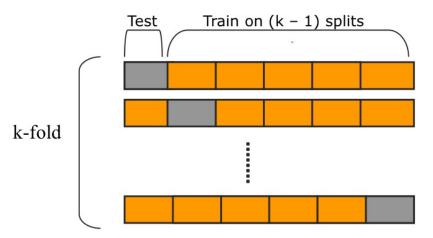
$$CV(\hat{f}^{-k}) = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{F}_k|} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{T}_k} L(y_i, \hat{f}^{-k}(x_i))$$

estimate the expected test error as an average,

$$CV(\hat{f}) = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{l=1}^{K} \frac{1}{|\mathcal{F}_k|} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} L(y_i, \hat{f}^{-k}(x_i)) \stackrel{|\mathcal{F}_k| = \frac{N}{K}}{=} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} L(y_i, \hat{f}^{-k}(x_i)).$$

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Cross-Validation: k-fold cross-validation



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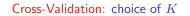
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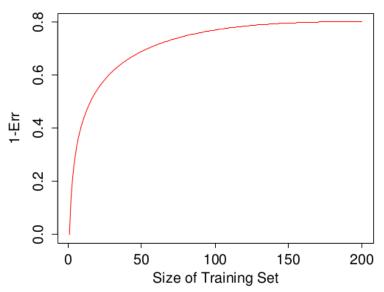
Cross-Validation: choice of K

How to choose K?

- there is no a clear solution;
- bias-variance trade-off:
 - ▶ smaller the *K*, smaller the variance (but larger bias);
 - larger the K, smaller the bias (but larger variance);
 - extreme cases:
 - K = 2, half observations for training, half for testing;
 - K = N, leave-one-out cross-validation (LOOCV);
 - LOOCV estimates the expected test error approximatively unbiased:
 - ► LOOCV has very large variance (the "training sets" are very similar to one another);
- usual choices are K=5 and K=10.

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Cross-Validation: further aspects

If we want to select a tuning parameter (e.g., no. of neighbours)

- train $\hat{f}^{-k}(X,\alpha)$ for each α ;
- compute $CV(\hat{f},\alpha) = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{1}{|\mathcal{F}_k|} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{F}_k} L(y_i,\hat{f}^{-k}(x_i,\alpha));$
- obtain $\hat{\alpha} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\alpha} CV(\hat{f}, \alpha)$.

The generalized cross-validation (GCV),

$$GCV(\hat{f}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left[\frac{y_i - \hat{f}(x_i)}{1 - \operatorname{trace}(S)/N} \right]^2$$

- is a convenient approximation of LOOCV for linear fitting under square loss;
- has computational advantages.

Cross-Validation: the wrong and the right way to do cross-validation

Consider the following procedure:

- find a subset of good (= most correlated with the outcome) predictors;
- 2. use the selected predictors to build a classifier;
- 3. use cross-validation to compute the prediction error.

Practical example (see R file):

- generated X, an $[N=50] \times [p=5000]$ data matrix;
- generate independently y_i , $i = 1, \ldots, 50$, $y_i \in \{0, 1\}$;
- the true error test is 0.50;
- implementing the procedure above. What does it happen?

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Cross-Validation: the wrong and the right way to do cross-validation

Why it is not correct?

- Training and test sets are NOT independent!
- observations on the test sets are used twice.

Correct way to proceed:

- divide the sample in K folds;
- both perform variable selection and build the classifier using observations from K-1 folds;
 - possible choice of the tuning parameter included;
- compute the prediction error on the remaining fold.

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Bootstrap Methods: bootstrap

IDEA: generate pseudo-samples from the empirical distribution function computed on the original sample;

- by sampling with replacement from the original dataset;
- mimic new experiments.

Suppose
$$Z = \{\underbrace{(x_1, y_1)}_{z_1}, \dots, \underbrace{(y_N, x_N)}_{z_N}\}$$
 be the training set:

- by sampling with replacement, $Z_1^*=\{\underbrace{(y_1^*,x_1^*)}_{z_1^*},\dots,\underbrace{(y_N^*,x_N^*)}_{z_N^*}\};$
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- by sampling with replacement, $Z_B^* = \{\underbrace{(y_1^*, x_1^*)}_{z_1^*}, \dots, \underbrace{(y_N^*, x_N^*)}_{z_N^*}\};$
- use the B bootstrap samples Z_1^* , ..., Z_B^* to estimate any aspect of the distribution of a map S(Z).

Bootstrap Methods: bootstrap

For example, to estimate the variance of S(Z),

$$\widehat{\mathsf{Var}}[S(Z)] = \frac{1}{B-1} \sum_{b=1}^{B} (S(Z_b^*) - \bar{S^*})^2$$

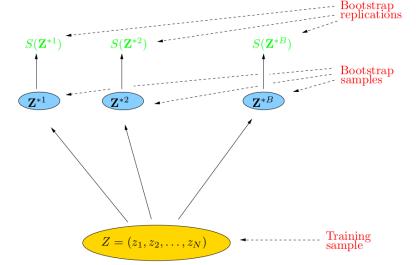
where
$$\bar{S^*} = \frac{1}{B} \sum_{b=1}^B S(Z_b^*)$$
.

Note that:

• $\widehat{\mathsf{Var}}[S(Z)]$ is the Monte Carlo estimate of $\mathsf{Var}[S(Z)]$ under sampling from the empirical distribution \widehat{F} .

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Bootstrap Methods: bootstrap



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Bootstrap Methods: estimate prediction error

Very simple:

- generate B bootstrap samples Z_1^*, \dots, Z_B^* ;
- apply the prediction rule to each bootstrap sample to derive the predictions $\hat{f}_b^*(x_i)$, $b=1,\ldots,B$;
- compute the error for each point, and take the average,

$$\widehat{\mathsf{Err}}_{\mathsf{boot}} = \frac{1}{B} \sum_{b=1}^{B} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} L(y_i, \hat{f}_b^*(x_i)).$$

Is it correct? NO!!!

Again, training and test set are **NOT** independent!

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Bootstrap Methods: example

Consider a classification problem:

- two classes with the same number of observations;
- predictors and class label independent \Rightarrow Err = 0.5.

Using the 1-nearest neighbour:

- if $y_i \in Z_b^* \to \hat{\mathsf{Err}} = 0$;
- if $y_i \notin Z_b^* \to \hat{\mathsf{Err}} = 0.5$;

Therefore,

$$\widehat{\mathsf{Err}}_{\mathsf{boot}} = 0 \times \Pr[Y_i \in Z_b^*] + 0.5 \times \underbrace{\Pr[Y_i \notin Z_b^*]}_{0.368} = 0.184$$

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Bootstrap Methods: why 0.368

 $\Pr[\text{observation } i \text{ does not belong to the boostrap sample } b] = 0.368$

Since

$$\Pr[Z_{b[j]}^* \neq y_i] = \frac{N-1}{N},$$

is true for each position [j], then

$$\Pr[Y_i \notin Z_b^*] = \left(\frac{N-1}{N}\right)^N \xrightarrow{N \to \infty} e^{-1} \approx 0.368,$$

Consequently,

 $\Pr[\text{observation } i \text{ is in the boostrap sample } b] \approx 0.632.$

Bootstrap Methods: correct estimate prediction error

Note:

- each bootstrap sample has N observations;
- some of the original observations are included more than once;
- some of them (in average, 0.368N) are not included at all;
 - these are not used to compute the predictions;
 - they can be used as a test set,

$$\widehat{\mathsf{Err}}^{(1)} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{1}{|C_{[-i]}|} \sum_{b \in C_{[-i]}} L(y_i, \hat{f}_b^*(x_i))$$

where $C_{[-i]}$ is the set of indeces of the bootstrap samples which do not contain the observation i and $|C_{[-i]}|$ denotes its cardinality.

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Bootstrap Methods: 0.632 bootstrap

Issue:

- the average number of unique observations in the bootstrap sample is $0.632N \rightarrow$ not so far from 0.5N of 2-fold CV;
- similar bias issues of 2-fold CV;
- ullet $\widehat{\mathsf{Err}}^{(1)}$ slightly overestimates the prediction error.

To solve this, the 0.632 bootstrap estimator has been developed,

$$\widehat{\mathsf{Err}}^{(0.632)} = 0.368 \; \overline{\mathsf{err}} + 0.632 \; \widehat{\mathsf{Err}}^{(1)}$$

- in practice it works well;
- in case of strong overfit, it can break down;
 - consider again the previous classification problem example;
 - with 1-nearest neighbour, $\overline{\text{err}} = 0$;
 - $\widehat{\mathsf{Err}}^{(0.632)} = 0.632 \, \widehat{\mathsf{Err}}^{(1)} = 0.632 \times 0.5 = 0.316 \neq 0.5.$

Bootstrap Methods: 0.632+ bootstrap

Further improvement, 0.632+ bootstrap:

- based on the no-information error rate γ;
- ullet γ takes into account the amount of overfitting;
- γ is the error rate if predictors and response were independent;
- ullet computed by considering all combinations of x_i and y_i ,

$$\hat{\gamma} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i'=1}^{N} L(y_i, \hat{f}(x_{i'})).$$

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Bootstrap Methods: 0.632+ bootstrap

The quantity $\hat{\gamma}$ is used to estimate the relative overfitting rate,

$$\hat{R} = \frac{\widehat{\mathsf{Err}}^{(1)} - \overline{\mathsf{err}}}{\hat{\gamma} - \overline{\mathsf{err}}},$$

which is then use in the 0.632+ bootstrap estimator,

$$\widehat{\mathsf{Err}}^{(0.632+)} = (1-\hat{w}) \; \overline{\mathsf{err}} + \hat{w} \; \widehat{\mathsf{Err}}^{(1)},$$

where

$$\hat{w} = \frac{0.632}{1 - 0.368 \, \hat{R}}.$$

Methods using Derived Input Directions: summary

- Principal Components Regression
- Partial Least Squares

Principal Component Regression: singular value decomposition

Consider the singular value decomposition (SVD) of the $N \times p$ (standardized) input matrix X,

$$X = UDV^T$$

where:

- U is the N × p orthogonal matrix whose columns span the column space of X;
- D is a $p \times p$ diagonal matrix, whose diagonal entries $d_1 \geqslant d_2 \geqslant \cdots \geqslant d_p \geqslant 0$ are the singular values of X;
- V is the $p \times p$ orthogonal matrix whose columns span the row space of X.

Principal Component Regression: principal components

Simple algebra leads to

$$X^T X = V D^2 V^T,$$

the eigen decomposition of X^TX (and, up to a constant N, of the sample covariance matrix $S=X^TX/N$).

Using the eigenvectors v_j (columns of V), we can define the principal components of X,

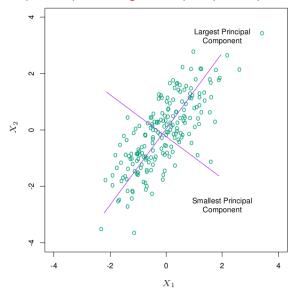
$$z_j = X v_j$$
.

 the first principal component z₁ has the largest sample variance (among all linear combinations of the columns of X);

$$\mathsf{Var}(z_1) = \mathsf{Var}(Xv_1) = \frac{d_1^2}{N}$$

• since $d_1 \ge \cdots \ge d_p \ge 0$, then $Var(z_1) \ge \cdots \ge Var(z_p)$.

Principal Component Regression: principal components



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Principal Component Regression: principal components

Principal component regression (PCR):

- use M ≤ p principal components as input;
- regress y on z_1, \ldots, z_M ;
- since the principal components are orthogonal,

$$\hat{y}_{\mathsf{pcr}}(M) = \bar{y} + \sum_{m=1}^{M} \hat{ heta}_m z_m,$$

where
$$\hat{\theta}_m = \langle z_m, y \rangle / \langle z_m, z_m \rangle$$
.

Since z_m are linear combinations of x_j ,

$$\hat{\beta}_{\mathsf{pcr}}(M) = \sum_{m=1}^{M} \hat{\theta}_{m} v_{m}.$$

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Principal Component Regression: remarks

Note that:

- PCR can be used in high-dimensions, as long as M < n;
- idea: remove the directions with less information:
- if M=N, $\hat{\beta}_{pcr}(M)=\hat{\beta}_{OLS}$;
- M is a tuning parameter, may be chosen via cross-validation;
- shrinkage effect (clearer later);
- principal component are scale dependent, it is important to standardize X!

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Partial Least Squares: idea

Partial least square (PLS) is based on an idea similar to PCR:

- construct a set of linear combinations of X;
- PCR only uses X, ignoring y;
- in PLS we want to also consider the information on y;
- as for PCR, it is important to first standardize X.

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Partial Least Squares: algorithm

- 1. standardize each x_j , set $\hat{y}^{[0]} = \bar{y}$ and $x_j^{[0]} = x_j$;
- 2. For $m = 1, 2, \dots, p$.
 - (a) $z_m = \sum_{j=1}^p \hat{\varphi}_{mj} x_j^{[m-1]}$, with $\hat{\varphi}_{mj} = \langle x_j^{[m-1]}, y \rangle$;
 - (b) $\hat{\theta}_m = \langle z_m, y \rangle / \langle z_m, z_m \rangle;$
 - (c) $\hat{y}^{[m]} = \hat{y}^{[m-1]} + \hat{\theta}z_m;$
 - (d) orthogonalize each $x_i^{[m-1]}$ with respect to z_m ,

$$x_j^{[m]} = x_j^{[m-1]} - \left(\frac{\langle z_m, x_j^{[m-1]} \rangle}{\langle z_m, z_m \rangle}\right) z_m, \quad j = 1, \dots, p;$$

3. output the sequence of fitted vectors $\{\hat{y}^{[m]}\}_{1}^{p}$.

Partial Least Squares: step by step

First step:

- (a) compute the first PLS direction, $z_1 = \sum_{j=1}^p \hat{\varphi}_{1j} x_j$,
 - based on the relation between each x_i and y, $\hat{\varphi}_1 = \langle x_i, y \rangle$;
- (b) estimate the related regression coefficient, $\hat{\theta}_1 = \frac{\langle z_1, y \rangle}{\langle z_1, z_1 \rangle} = \frac{\overline{z_1}y}{z_1^2}$;
- (c) model after the first iteration: $\hat{y}^{[1]} = \bar{y} + \hat{\theta}_1 z_1$;
- (d) orthogonalize x_1,\ldots,x_p w.r.t. z_1 , $x_j^{[2]}=x_j-\left(\frac{\langle z_1,x_j\rangle}{\langle z_1,z_1\rangle}\right)z_1$;

We are now ready for the second step ...

Partial Least Squares: step by step

- ... using $x_j^{[2]}$ instead of x_j :
- (a) compute the second PLS direction, $z_2 = \sum_{j=1}^p \hat{arphi}_{2j} x_j^{[2]}$,
 - based on the relation between each $x_i^{[2]}$ and y, $\hat{\varphi}_2 = \langle x_i^{[2]}, y \rangle$;
- (b) estimate the related regression coefficient, $\hat{\theta}_2 = \frac{\langle z_2, y \rangle}{\langle z_2, z_2 \rangle}$;
- (c) model after the second iteration: $\hat{y}^{[2]} = \bar{y} + \hat{\theta}_1 z_1 + \hat{\theta}_2 z_2$;
- (d) orthogonalize $x_1^{[2]}, \dots, x_p^{[2]}$ w.r.t. z_2 , $x_j^{[2]} = x_j^{[2]} \left(\frac{\langle z_2, x_j^{[2]} \rangle}{\langle z_2, z_2 \rangle}\right) z_2$;

and so on, until the $M \leq p$ step $\rightarrow M$ derived inputs.

Partial Least Squares: PLS versus PCR

Differences:

PCR the derived input directions are the principal components of X, constructed by looking at the variability of X;

PLS the input directions take into consideration both the variability of X and the correlation between X and y.

Mathematically:

PCR $\max_{\alpha} Var(X\alpha)$, s.t.

$$|\alpha| = 1 \text{ and } \alpha^T S v_{\ell} = 0, \ \ell = 1, \dots, M-1;$$

PLS $\max_{\alpha} Cor^2(y, X\alpha) Var(X\alpha)$, s.t.

•
$$||\alpha|| = 1$$
 and $\alpha^T S \varphi_\ell = 0$, $\forall \ell < M$.

In practice, the variance tends to dominate → similar results!

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Ridge Regression: historical notes

When two predictors are strongly correlated \rightarrow collinearity;

- in the extreme case of linear dependency → super-collinearity;
- in the case of super-collinearity, X^TX is not invertible (not full rank);

Hoerl & Kennard (1970): $X^TX \to X^TX + \lambda I_p$, where $\lambda > 0$ and

$$I_p = \left(\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{array}\right).$$

With $\lambda > 0$, $(X^TX + \lambda I_p)^{-1}$ exists.

Ridge Regression: estimator

Substituting X^TX with $X^TX + \lambda I_p$ in the LS estimator,

$$\hat{\beta}_{\mathsf{ridge}}(\lambda) = (X^T X + \lambda I_p)^{-1} X^T y.$$

Alternatively, the ridge estimator can be seen as the minimizer of

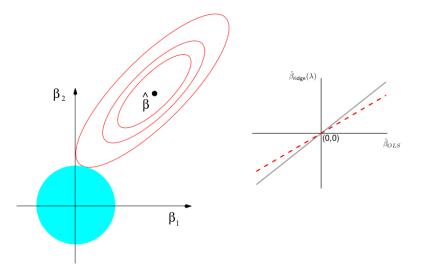
$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} (y_i - \beta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^{p} \beta_j x_{ij})^2,$$

subject to
$$\sum_{j=1}^{p} \beta_j^2 \leqslant t$$
.

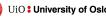
Which is the same as

$$\hat{\beta}_{\mathsf{ridge}}(\lambda) = \mathsf{argmin}_{\beta} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{N} (y_i - \beta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^{p} \beta_j x_{ij})^2 + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^{p} \beta_j^2 \right\}.$$

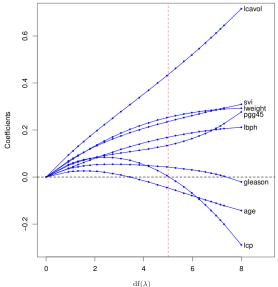
Ridge Regression: visually



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Ridge Regression: remarks

Note:

- ridge solution is not equivariant under scaling → X must be standardized before applying the minimizer;
- the intercept is not involved in the penalization;
- Bayesian interpretation:
 - $Y_i \sim N(\beta_0 + x_i^T \beta, \sigma^2)$;
 - $\beta \sim N(0, \tau^2);$
 - $\lambda = \sigma^2/\tau^2;$
 - $\hat{\beta}_{\text{ridge}}(\lambda)$ as the posterior mean.

Ridge Regression: bias

$$\begin{split} E[\hat{\beta}_{\mathsf{ridge}}(\lambda)] &= E[(X^TX + \lambda I_p)^{-1}X^Ty] \\ &= E[(I_p + \lambda (X^TX)^{-1})^{-1}\underbrace{(X^TX)^{-1}X^Ty}_{\hat{\beta}_{\mathsf{LS}}}] \\ &= \underbrace{(I_p + \lambda (X^TX)^{-1})^{-1}}_{w_{\lambda}} E[\hat{\beta}_{\mathsf{LS}}] \\ &= w_{\lambda}\beta \implies E[\hat{\beta}_{\mathsf{ridge}}(\lambda)] \neq \beta \text{ for } \lambda > 0. \end{split}$$

- $\lambda \to 0$, $E[\hat{\beta}_{\mathsf{ridge}}(\lambda)] \to \beta$;
- $\lambda \to \infty$, $E[\hat{\beta}_{ridge}(\lambda)] \to 0$ (without intercept);
- due to correlation, $\lambda_a > \lambda_b \Rightarrow |\hat{\beta}_{ridge}(\lambda)| > |\hat{\beta}_{ridge}(\lambda)|$.

Ridge Regression: variance

Consider the variance of the ridge estimator,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathsf{Var}[\hat{\beta}_{\mathsf{ridge}}(\lambda)] &= \mathsf{Var}[w_{\lambda}\hat{\beta}_{\mathsf{LS}}] \\ &= w_{\lambda}\mathsf{Var}[\hat{\beta}_{\mathsf{LS}}]w_{\lambda}^{T} \\ &= \sigma^{2}w_{\lambda}(X^{T}X)^{-1}w_{\lambda}^{T}. \end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$\begin{split} & \operatorname{Var}[\hat{\beta}_{\operatorname{LS}}] - \operatorname{Var}[\hat{\beta}_{\operatorname{ridge}}(\lambda)] = \sigma^2 \left[(X^T X)^{-1} - w_{\lambda} (X^T X)^{-1} w_{\lambda}^T \right] \\ &= \sigma^2 w_{\lambda} \left[(I_p + \lambda (X^T X)^{-1}) (X^T X)^{-1} (I_p + \lambda (X^T X)^{-1})^T - (X^T X)^{-1} \right] w_{\lambda}^T \\ &= \sigma^2 w_{\lambda} \left[((X^T X)^{-1} + 2\lambda (X^T X)^{-2} + \lambda^2 (X^T X)^{-3}) - (X^T X)^{-1} \right] w_{\lambda}^T \\ &= \sigma^2 w_{\lambda} \left[2\lambda (X^T X)^{-2} + \lambda^2 (X^T X)^{-3} \right] w_{\lambda}^T > 0 \\ & \text{(since all terms are quadratic and therefore positive)} \end{split}$$

$$\implies \mathsf{Var}[\hat{\beta}_{\mathsf{ridge}}(\lambda)] \leq \mathsf{Var}[\hat{\beta}_{\mathsf{LS}}]$$

Ridge Regression: degrees of freedom

Note that the ridge solution is a linear combination of y, as the least squares one:

•
$$\hat{y}_{LS} = \underbrace{X(X^TX)^{-1}X^T}_{H} y \longrightarrow df = \operatorname{trace}(H) = p;$$

•
$$\hat{y}_{\text{ridge}} = \underbrace{X(X^TX + \lambda I_p)^{-1}X^T}_{H_{\lambda}} y \longrightarrow df(\lambda) = \text{trace}(H_{\lambda});$$

• trace
$$(H_{\lambda}) = \sum_{i=1}^{p} \frac{d_{j}^{2}}{d_{i}^{2} + \lambda}$$
;

• d_i is the diagonal element of D in the SVD of X;

•
$$\lambda \to 0$$
, $df(\lambda) \to p$;

•
$$\lambda \to \infty$$
, $df(\lambda) \to 0$.

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Ridge Regression: more about shrinkage

Recall the SVD decomposition $X = UDV^T$, and the properties

$$U^T U = I_p = V^T V.$$

$$\begin{split} \hat{\beta}_{\mathsf{LS}} &= (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y & \hat{y}_{\mathsf{LS}} &= X \hat{\beta}_{\mathsf{LS}} \\ &= (V D U^T U D V^T)^{-1} V D U^T y & = U D V^T V D^{-2} D U^T y \\ &= (V D^2 V^T)^{-1} V D U^T y & = U D D^{-2} D U^T y \\ &= V D^{-2} V^T V D U^T y & = U U^T y \\ &= V D^{-2} D U^T y \end{split}$$

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Ridge Regression: more about shrinkage

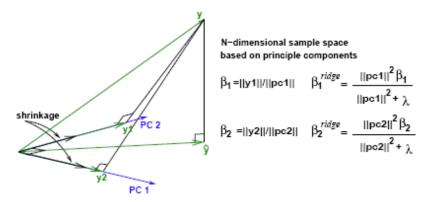
$$\begin{split} \hat{\beta}_{\mathsf{ridge}} &= (X^T X + \lambda I_p)^{-1} X^T y & \hat{y}_{\mathsf{ridge}} &= X \hat{\beta}_{\mathsf{ridge}} \\ &= (V D U^T U D V^T + \lambda I_p)^{-1} V D U^T y & = U D V^T V (D^2 + \lambda I_p)^{-1} U^T y \\ &= (V D^2 V^T + \lambda V V^T)^{-1} V D U^T y & = U V^T V D^2 (D^2 + \lambda I_p)^{-1} U^T y \\ &= V (D^2 + \lambda I_p)^{-1} V^T V D U^T y & = U D^2 (D^2 + \lambda I_p)^{-1} U^T y \\ &= V (D^2 + \lambda I_p)^{-1} U^T y & \downarrow \\ &= V D^2 (D^2 + \lambda I_p)^{-1} U^T y & \downarrow \\ &= V D^2 (D^2 + \lambda I_p)^{-1} U^T y & \downarrow \\ &= U D^2 (D^2 + \lambda I_p)^{-1} U^T y &$$

So:

- small singular values d_j correspond to directions of the column space of X with low variance;
- ridge regression penalizes the most these directions.

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Ridge Regression: more about shrinkage



(picture from https://onlinecourses.science.psu.edu/stat857/node/155/)

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