COSC 325: Introduction to Machine Learning

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Lecture 15: Hyperparameter Tuning and Model Evaluation





Class Announcements

Homework

Homework #5 due 11/06 Homework #6 due 11/13

Course Project: Midterm Report due 10/27 Quizzes: Weekly quiz as usual.

Exams: Next exam 11/21. Same format.

Lectures: Extra videos on Notebooks



Review

- Basic Data Wrangling Steps
 - Missing values
 - Scaling
 - Encoding of categorical values
- Pipelines





Today's Topics

Hyperparameter Tuning



Model Evaluation







Hyperparameter Tuning



parametric model: logistic regression



Model parameters

Source: Dr. Raschka, ML Course



Hyperparameters

- Learning rate α
- Mini-batch size
- Decision Trees
 - Tree depth
 - Bagging Yes/No
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class sklearn.tree.DecisionTreeClassifier(*, criterion='gini', splitter='best', max_depth=None, min_samples_split=2, min_samples_leaf=1, min_weight_fraction_leaf=0.0, max_features=None, random_state=None, max_leaf_nodes=None, min_impurity_decrease=0.0, min_impurity_split=None, class_weight=None, presort='deprecated', ccp_alpha=0.0)



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Hyperparameter #2





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Non-division by zero ϵ





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- We will test 10 values of a low priority parameter without changing a high-priority parameter.
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Randomly sample the

hyperparameter space.

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A better approach

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Scaling Hyperparameter Search Space









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• Learning rate α





Scaling Hyperparameter Search Space



• Instead do $\alpha = 10^{uniform_sample(-3,0)}$



Code Example

```
13 # Define the parameter range to search over
```

```
14 alpha = np.power(10, rng1.randint(-6,-1,5).astype('float')) # Numpy approach
```

15 learning_rate = np.power(10, rng1.randint(-5,0,5).astype('float')) # Numpy approach

```
16 param_distributions = {
```

- 17 'MLClassifier_penalty': ['l1', 'l2', 'elasticnet'],
- 18 'MLClassifier__loss': ['hinge', 'log_loss'],
 - 'MLClassifier__alpha': stats.loguniform(1e-6,1e-2), 'MLClassifier__eta0': stats.loguniform(1e-5,1e-1),
- # Regularization
- # Loss function
- # Regularization coefficient
 - # Learning rate

23 # Initialize RandomizedSearchCV

```
24 <u>hyperparam_search = RandomizedSearchCV</u>(
```

```
estimator=ml_pipe,
```

26 param_distributions=param_distributions,



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Pop Quiz

Which of the following is a model parameter? (Select all that apply)

A. Decision Tree Split Features and Thresholds

B. Tree Depth

C. Logistic regression hypothesis coefficients

D. Learning rate



Notebook Time

Why do we assess the predictive performance of machine learning models?

- Estimate generalization from performance on unseen data
- We want to tweak hyperparameters to squeeze as much performance as possible from the selected hypothesis space.
- We want to select the bestperforming ML algorithm/hypothesis space





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Training error is biased and over-optimistic.

Validation/Test error is unbiased (unseen data). But is it optimistic or pessimistic?



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Test/validation either over-optimistic or pessimistic



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What about over-optimism?



How confident are we about the model performance?

Model Evaluation with Confidence Interval

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```
Data: \{X, y\} Train

Parameters W

New Data: \{x_{v}^{(i)}, y_{v}^{(i)}\} Test

Test Error: \{i=1, error=32\}
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Pop Quiz

A researcher wants to estimate the average height of a city's adult male population. She collected a random sample of 100 adult males and calculated the sample mean height to be 175 cm (5 ft and 9 inches) with a sample standard deviation of 10 cm (4 inches). She then constructs a 95% confidence interval for the height of the population [173 cm, 177 cm].

What is the correct interpretation of this 95% confidence interval?

A. 95% of the time, the sample mean is between 173 cm and 177 cm.

B. 95% of the time, a random adult male height sample is between 173 cm and 177 cm.

C. 95% of the time, the true adult male height mean is between 173 cm and 177 cm.

Binomial Distribution



$$\Pr(X = k) = \left(\frac{n!}{k! (n-k)!}\right) p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$

Notation	B(n,p)		
Parameters	$n \in \{0,1,2,\ldots\}$ – number of		
	trials		
	$p\in [0,1]$ – success probability		
	for each trial		
	q=1-p		
Support	$k\in\{0,1,\ldots,n\}$ – number of		
	successes		
PMF	$\binom{n}{k}p^kq^{n-k}$		
CDF	$I_q(n-\lfloor k floor,1+\lfloor k floor)$ (the		
	regularized incomplete beta		
	function)		

	,
Mean	np
Median	$\lfloor np floor$ or $\lceil np ceil$
Mode	$\lfloor (n+1)p floor$ or $\lceil (n+1)p ceil -1$
Variance	npq=np(1-p)
Skewness	$rac{q-p}{\sqrt{npq}}$
Excess kurtosis	$rac{1-6pq}{npq}$
Entropy	$rac{1}{2}\log_2(2\pi enpq)+O\left(rac{1}{n} ight)$
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	natural log in the log.



Coin Flip (Bernoulli Trial)

• Mean μ_k is the average number of Heads in *n* trials

$$\mu_k = np = n\left(\frac{\kappa}{n}\right) = k$$

• Mean Variance $\sigma_k^2 = np(1-p) = k - \frac{k^2}{n}$

• Standard deviation =
$$sqrt(\sigma_k^2) = \sigma_k = \sqrt{(np(1-p))}$$



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- *n* > 40
- *np* > 5 *n*(1−*p*) > 5

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X% Confidence Interval



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Cl for other z values: 99%, z = 2.58, 90%, z = 1.64



Code example





Estimate on a single trained model

Our error could still be over-optimistic due to sampling random effects.

Repeated Holdout

- Also known as Monte Carlo Cross Validation
- Average performance over k repetitions,

$$ACC_{avg} = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{j=1}^{k} ACC_j$$

• ACC_j is the accuracy estimate for the *j*th test set of size m $ACC_j = 1 - \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m I(y^{(i)}, \hat{y}^{(i)})$



Bootstrapping and Empirical Confidence Interval

- Bootstrapping: resampling technique to estimate a sampling distribution
 - Introduced by Bradley Efron 1979
 - We are interested in estimating the distribution of our model error
 - Sampling with replacement
 - In contrast, holdout method samples without replacement



Bootstrap Algorithm

- 1. Inputs: Data size $\{X, y\}$ of size n
- 2. For *B* bootstraps trials:
 - 1. Draw *n* samples with replacement from $\{X, y\}$ to form $\{X, y\}_b$
 - 2. Fit model with $\{X, y\}_b$
 - 3. Compute model accuracy

$$ACC_{b} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} 1 - L\left(f\left(x_{b}^{(i)}\right), h\left(x_{b}^{(i)}\right)\right)$$

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Too Optimistic!



Better Bootstrapping Approaches

- Leave-One-Out Bootstrap (LOOB)
 - Same as above
 - Ensures one of the samples at each bootstrap trial is left out for validation
 - Accuracy measured on validation sample
- Out-of-bag Bootstrapping
 - Samples left out during bootstrapping sampling are used for testing
 - Accuracy measured on test samples
 - Recall a little over 36% of samples are left out at each bootstrap trial



Out-of-Bag Bootstrapping (OOB)





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At least 200 bootstrap trials are recommended.





K-Fold Cross Validation



K-Fold Cross Validation

- Non-overlapping validation folds
 - Utilizes all data for validation (aggregated folds)
- Overlapping training folds
 - Sampling without replacement results in poor measurement of variance
- Pessimistic for small k
 - Smaller training sets





K-Fold Cross Validation













K-Fold Cross Validation: Special Cases





k=2

2-Fold Cross-Validation







K-Fold Cross Validation: Special Cases





LOOCV vs Holdout

Experiment	Mean	Standard deviation
True $R^2 - q^2$	0.010	0.149
True R^2 — hold 50	0.028	0.184
True R^2 — hold 20	0.055	0.305
True R^2 — hold 10	0.123	0.504

1. Hawkins, D. M., Basak, S. C., & Mills, D. (2003). Assessing model fit by cross-validation. *Journal of Chemical Information and Computer Sciences*, *43*(2), 579-586.

The reported "mean" refers to the averaged difference between the true coefficients of determination (R²) and the coefficients obtained via LOOCV (here called q²) after repeating this procedure on multiple, different 100-example training sets

In rows 2-4, the researchers used the holdout method for fitting models to the 100example training sets, and they evaluated the performances on holdout sets of sizes 10, 20, and 50 samples. Each experiment was repeated 75 times, and the mean column shows the average difference between the estimated R² and the true R² values.







Recommendations:

- For the average dataset
 - 10-Fold CV
- For small datasets
 - LOOCV
- For Large datasets
 - 5-Fold CV

Figure 1: C4.5: The bias of cross-validation with varying folds. A negative k folds stands for leave-k-out. Error bars are 95% confidence intervals for the mean. The gray regions indicate 95% confidence intervals for the true accuracies. Note the different ranges for the accuracy axis.

Figure 3: Cross-validation: standard deviation of accuracy (population). Different line styles are used to help differentiate between curves.

Kohavi, R. (1995, August). A study of cross-validation and bootstrap for accuracy estimation and model selection. In *ljcai* (Vol. 14, No. 2, pp. 1137-1145).



The Law of Parsimony

Occam's Razor: "Among competing hypotheses, the one with the fewest assumptions should be selected."



Pop Quiz

True or False. In K-Fold cross-validation, the dataset is partitioned in K non-overlapping training sets.

A. True

B. False



Review

- Hyperparameter tuning
 - Grid Search
 - Random Search -> 3+ parameters
 - Scale search space
- Model evaluation
 - Holdout Method
 - Confidence intervals
 - Stratified sampling
 - Repeated Holdout
 - LOOB, OOBB
 - K-Fold Cross-Validation
 - 10-Fold, LOOCV (n-Fold)





Next Lecture

- Feature selection
- Model explainability





Helper Slides

