

Lecture 14

CP recap

Missing data

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403 Course Overview

- EDF $\hat{F}$ and consistency of means
 - MC integration ← Application
 - How to sample
 - F^{-1}
 - importance s.
 - rejection s.
 - * • (CV)
 - * • Bootstrap ← $\text{Var}(\hat{\theta}) \approx ?$
 - * • Conformal prediction ✓ ←
 - * • Imputation (fill missing data) ←
 - MCMC (Markov Chain MC)
- ↑
Resampling

Conformal prediction

NEW X

AFTER
TRAINING

- **Conformal prediction:** CI for a single prediction $\hat{y} = f(x)$

Given data set $\mathcal{D} = \{(x_i, y_i), i = 1 : N\}$

Training algorithm $\mathcal{A}$, so that $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{D}) = \underline{f}$ the predictor

Want CI for $\hat{y} = f(x)$ where x is a new data point
so that the CI is NOT dependent on $\mathcal{A}$ being statistically correct (e.g. $\mathcal{A}$ overfits, ...)

GOOD !!

- jackknife+ is a simple algorithm for CP
- More advanced algorithms exist. This is an active area of research in statistics.



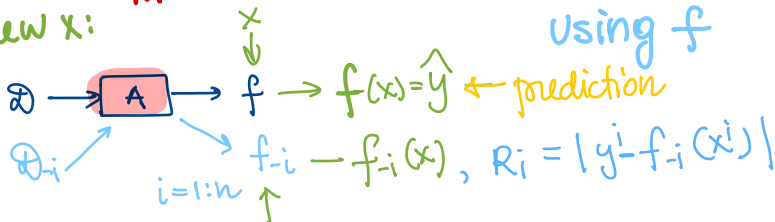
!!!! Do NOT use CP to "crossvalidate" your algorithm!

jackknife+

$$CI_{\alpha} = [a, b]$$

MUST contain ALL Training, CV, Model selection, ...

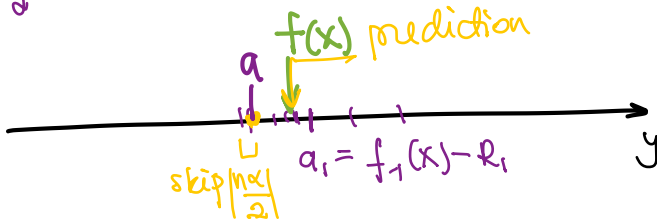
new x:



$$\alpha = 20\%$$

$$\frac{\alpha}{2} = 10\%$$

$$a = \lfloor n \frac{\alpha}{2} \rfloor \text{ quantile} \rightarrow \{a_i, i=1:n\}$$



Lecture Notes VII – Missing Data and Imputation

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The missing data problem ←

Missing data

data $y_1, z_1, \dots, N$ some missing values

$X_{1:n}$ $y_{1:n}$ observed

} want $\hat{\theta}$ param of interest

$X_{n+1:N}$ $y_{n+1:N}$ unobserved

↑
other information, known

$y_{n+1:n+m}$ = votes to be removed

↑ impute
 $X_{n+1:n+m}$ = addresses

↓ ~~impute~~
 $Z_{n+1:n+m}$ = gender

Missing data: the problem

- ▶ Data sampled i.i.d. $\sim F$, but some (parts of each sample) are missing
- ▶ Here we denote data point = (X^i, Y^i) where X^i is always observed, Y^i may be missing or not.

complete

$$R_i = \begin{cases} 1 & Y^i \text{ observed} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- ▶ A new random variable R , $R^i = 0$ when Y^i not observed, $R^i = 1$ when observed

- ▶ What is the distribution of R ? dependence of R on X, Y

MCAR Missing Completely At Random $R \perp X, Y$

MAR Missing At Random $R \perp Y | X$

MCAR

$$Y_{n+1:m} = ?$$

MAR

$$R \perp Y | X$$

and R depends on X , but
NOT on Y

A, B events, r.v.'s
 $A \perp B$

A independent of B

$$P(A, B) = P(A)P(B)$$

$$P(A|B) = P(A)$$

$$P(B|A) = P(B)$$

?

↑
know A

What is the distribution of R ? *how does R depend on X and Y ?*

- ▶ Let data $\mathcal{D} = \{(x^1, y^1), \dots (x^n, y^n)\} \cup \{x_{n+1}, \dots x_{n+m}\}$
 - ▶ **complete data** $\{(x^1, y^1), \dots (x^n, y^n)\}$ with $R^{1:n} = 1$
 - ▶ **data with missing values** $\{x_{n+1}, \dots x_{n+m}\}$ with $R^{n+1:n+m} = 0$

MCAR Missing Completely At Random $R \perp X, Y$

- ▶ $\{(x^1, y^1), \dots (x^n, y^n)\}$ has no information about $\{y^{n+1}, \dots y^{n+m}\}$

MAR Missing At Random $R \perp Y | X$

- ▶ $\{(x^1, y^1, R^1), \dots (x^n, y^n, R^n)\}$ together with $\{(x^{n+1}, R^{n+1}), \dots (x^{n+m}, R^{n+m})\}$ has information about $\{y^{n+1}, \dots y^{n+m}\}$
- ▶ Probability distribution of missing values $Y^{n+1:n+m}$ is

$$Y \sim p(Y | X, R = 0)$$

and

$$p(Y | X, R = 0) = p(Y | X, R = 1)$$

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estimate this!

use it to predict Y

$$R \perp Y | X \Leftrightarrow P(Y | \underline{X}, \underline{R}) = P(Y | X)$$

MAR $R \perp Y | X$

*and R depends on X , but
NOT on Y*