## Model Configuration and Experiments

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14.1 Algorithms evaluation and comparison

## Algorithms evaluation and comparison

- Performance evaluation problem
- How to evaluate the performance of a classification algorithm for a given problem (for generalization)?
- Big difference between the performance on the training and testing dataset
- Performance comparison problem
- How to evaluate if an algorithm performs better than another for a given problem?
- Different types of comparisons are possible
- Different algorithms
- Same algorithm, different hyperparameters
- Same algorithm, different data representations
- Repetition of the necessary measures for statistical validity
- Random partitioning for training/validation
- Learning process with variable results
- Stochastic algorithm
- Algorithm sensitive to the choice of hyperparameters (e.g. $\sigma$ and $C$ values of the SVM)


## Charlatans example (Jensen and Cohen, 2000)

- Evaluation of an investment advisor
- Each day, the advisor must predict whether stock prices will rise or fall.
- Test: predict stock prices for 14 days
- Selection criteria: correct prediction for 11 days or more
- Charlatan makes random predictions $(0.5 / 0.5)$
- Charlatan therefore has a probability of 0.0287 of passing the test.
- Good test to evaluate an advisor's performance
- But is not suitable for choosing an advisor from $n$ candidates.
- Probability that a charlatan among $n$ passes the test: $1-(1-0.0287)^{n}$.
- For $n=10$, probability $\approx 0.253$; for $n=30$, probability $\approx 0.583$.
- For a high value of $n$, it is almost certain that charlatans will pass the test, even if they do not do better than chance!

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D. Jensen, P. Cohen, Multiple Comparisons in Induction Algorithms, Machine Learning, $\mathrm{n}^{\circ}$ 38, p. 309-338, 2000.

## Pathologies in learning

- Overfitting
- Add superfluous elements to the model (learn by heart)
- Low value of $C$ with SVM, too many support vectors
- Discovering non-existent relationships between data
- Overtraining: learning false links between data
- Making more complex models that offer no advantage
- Errors in the selection of discriminating information
- Bias in the algorithm favors certain types of data
- Parametric classification with multivariate normal distribution and diagonal covariance matrix: bias towards discrimination of independent variables
- Sensitivity to the prior probabilities of the data (classes balance)
- Sensitivity to feature selection
- Oversearching
- Searching in very large model spaces
- Solution: first, simple model spaces, then, increase complexity
- Similar to increasing the value of $n$ with the example of charlatans
- Solution: tighten the selection criteria when $n$ increases


## Factors to consider (1/2)

- Difficult to generalize any conclusions made on a particular problem to other problems
- No Free Lunch theorem!
- Good algorithm for a problem: compatibility between the inductive bias and the problem
- Partitioning the dataset into training/validation subsets for testing only
- Good for evaluation/comparison of performance in algorithm generalization
- Good for choosing hyperparameters
- Once the choice of algorithms/hyperparameters is made: use of the entire dataset for training


## Factors to consider (2/2)

- Validation subset is part of the inference data
- Choice of hyperparameter or stopping criteria
- Each use of the validation set integrates information into the learning algorithm
- Final performance evaluation on a separate test set, never used in the learning phase
- Other criteria for evaluation and comparison of algorithms
- Other risk measures, other loss functions
- Complexity of training (time and space)
- Complexity of the evaluation (time and space)
- Interpretability of results
- Ease of programming
14.2 Design of experiments


## Experiments

- Experimentation: test or series of tests where we play with factors modifying the output
- Choice of the learning algorithm
- Training dataset
- Data characteristics
- General objectives
- Identify the most influential factors
- Eliminate the least important factors
- Determine the configuration of the factors giving the best results
- Learning objectives
- Statistically significant results (eliminate effect of chance)
- Better performance for generalization
- Reduced complexity (time and space)
- Robustness


## Experimental process

- Controllable factors: elements we want to study
- Uncontrollable factors: elements over which we do not have control, but for which we want to minimize impact on decisions



## Experimentation strategies

- Possible experimentation strategies
- By intuition: experimentation based on the operator's intuition
- One factor at a time: starting configuration, testing all values of one factor separately
- Grid search: test all combinations



## Grid search

- Grid search: adjustment of pairs (or triplets) of hyperparameters, with measurement on validation set

1. Partition the dataset $\mathcal{X}$ into two subsets, $\mathcal{X}_{T}$ and $\mathcal{X}_{V}$ (usually $50 \%-50 \%$ )
2. Train summarily the classifier with $\mathcal{X}_{T}$ for each pair of hyperparameters considered
3. Select the pair of hyperparameters for which the error is minimal on $\mathcal{X}_{V}$
4. Use this pair of hyperparameters for training on the whole set $\mathcal{X}$

- Applicable for all pairs of hyperparameters for which the combined effect is important for the training of classifiers


## Random search

- Select hyperparameter values randomly
- Allows a better exploration of space in the presence of variables with no influence


Random Layout


Important parameter

From J. Bergstra and Y. Bengio, Random search for hyper-parameter optimization, Journal of Machine Learning Research, vol. 13, 2012.
Available online at https://www.jmlr.org/papers/v13/bergstra12a.html.

- Possible refinement: use of quasi-random numbers
- Deterministic sequence with uniformly distributed values for each dimension
14.3 Optimization for
hyperparameter adjustment


## Model-based sequential optimization

- Idea: Build learning models to estimate performance
- Regression of a function $f(\mathbf{x})$ which gives the estimated performance according to hyperparameters $\mathbf{x}$
- Estimating the uncertainty of predictions in hyperparameter space
- Commonly used model: Gaussian processes
- Random process generating a normal distribution for each value of $\mathbf{x}$
- Exploration-exploitation compromise: selection of future hyperparameters $\mathbf{x}$ to be evaluated
- Exploitation: select value of $\mathbf{x}$ with good performance
- Exploration: test new value of $\mathbf{x}$ to acquire more information on the function to be optimized
- Acquisition function to determine the next value of $\mathbf{x}$
- Typical function Upper Confidence Bound: $\operatorname{argmax}_{\mathrm{x}} \mu(\mathbf{x})+\sigma(\mathbf{x})$
- Re-estimate regression function with evaluation of the next value


## Bayesian optimization



From B. Shahriari, K. Swersky, Z. Wang, R.P. Adams and N. De Freitas, Taking the human out of the loop: A review of bayesian optimization, Proceedings of the IEEE, vol. 104, no. 1, 2016. Available online at https://doi.org/10.1109/JPROC.2015.2494218

## AutoML

- AutoML: automate machine learning
- Allow the use of these techniques by non-experts
- Allow deployment in unknown situations, with minimal intervention
- Enable adaptation of models to operating conditions
- Choice of models and pre-processing
- Beyond the choice of hyperparameters, which model to use?
- SVM, neural networks, $k$-nearest neighbours, linear models, AdaBoost, random forests, etc.
- Refine model configuration
- Number of hidden layers, core function, distance measurement, etc.
- What pre-processing to do with the data?
- Normalization, standardization, feature selection, etc.
- Apart from hyperparameter optimization, another research topic
- No universal models
- Computing resources required can be very large
- Dataset size limits the possible scope of model search
14.4 Organization of experimental plans


## Basic principles for planning experiments

- Randomize: the order of execution of the experiments must be randomized, in order to ensure independence in the results
- E.g.: a machine that requires a certain time to be at the right temperature
- Generally not a problem when experimenting with software
- Reproduce: average the results of several experiments with the same values of controllable factors, to eliminate the effect of uncontrollable factors
- For learning: run the same algorithm with different samples of the dataset (e.g. cross-validation)
- Block: reduce or avoid nuisance factors, which influence the output results, without being of interest
- For learning: compare algorithms using the same data samples (same subsets)


## Directives for experimentation with learning

1. Setting the study objective

- Estimate the error of a method on a particular problem (error below a given value)
- Comparing two algorithms on the same problem (is one algorithm better than the other?)

2. Select the response variable

- Classification error or quadratic error in regression
- Arbitrary loss function, risk measurement, accuracy, recall, complexity, etc

3. Choice of factors and levels

- Hyperparameter values
- Learning algorithms
- Datasets

4. Choice of the experimentation plan

- Make a factorial design, unless you are sure there are no interactions
- Number of replications for the experiments is inversely proportional to the size of the datasets (variance of results according to size)
- Avoid synthetic datasets to assess performance


## Directives for experimentation with learning

5. Performing the experiments

- Do some preliminary executions to make sure everything is going as planned
- For resource-intensive experiments, backup intermediate states (checkpoints)
- Experiments must be reproducible
- Make honest comparisons, being fair towards the different approaches tested

6. Perform a statistical analysis of the data

- Ensure that results are not subjective or a product of chance
- Testing statistical hypotheses: is the error of A significantly lower than $B$ ?

7. Conclusions and recommendations

- Once data has been obtained and analyzed, draw objective conclusions
- Frequent conclusions: need to do more experiments!
- Proceed iteratively: don't invest all the resources for making a single set of experiments
14.5 Manipulating datasets


## Partitioning and stratification

- Ideal case: partitioning dataset $\mathcal{X}$ into $K$ separate pairs of training and validation datasets
- Requires huge datasets
- Solution: make several subsets of the same dataset

$$
\left\{\mathcal{T}_{i}, \mathcal{V}_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{K}
$$

- Trade-off between datasets size and overlap
- Big datasets allow better inference of classifiers
- Big overlap between datasets gives non-statistically independent measures
- Partitioning with stratification
- Respecting the prior probabilities when partitioning into training/validation datasets
- Avoids variations due to algorithm bias related to proportions between classes


## Effect of the training dataset size

- For real problems, it is common that the error rates in training and testing follow power laws

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\begin{aligned}
E_{\text {train }} & =E_{\text {Bayes }}-\frac{b}{N^{\beta}} \\
E_{\text {test }} & =E_{\text {Bayes }}+\frac{a}{N^{\alpha}}
\end{aligned}
$$

where $a, b, \alpha \geq 1$ and $\beta \geq 1$ depend on the classifier and the problem

- With large datasets, error rates tend to be towards the optimal Bayesian rate.

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\begin{aligned}
\lim _{N \rightarrow \infty} E_{\text {train }} & =E_{\text {Bayes }} \\
\lim _{N \rightarrow \infty} E_{\text {test }} & =E_{\text {Bayes }}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Training and testing rate as a function of $N$



Rate under test as a function of $N$


## $K$-fold cross-validation

- K-fold cross-validation
- Training dataset divided into $K$ disjointed subsets, $\mathcal{X}_{1} \cup \mathcal{X}_{2} \cup \cdots \cup \mathcal{X}_{K}=\mathcal{X}$
- $K$ training on $\mathcal{T}_{i}$ and evaluation on $\mathcal{V}_{i}, i=1, \ldots, K$

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\mathcal{V}_{1}=\mathcal{X}_{1} & \mathcal{T}_{1}=\mathcal{X}_{2} \cup \mathcal{X}_{3} \cup \cdots \cup \mathcal{X}_{K} \\
\mathcal{V}_{2}=\mathcal{X}_{2} & \mathcal{T}_{2}=\mathcal{X}_{1} \cup \mathcal{X}_{3} \cup \cdots \cup \mathcal{X}_{K}
\end{array}
$$

$$
\mathcal{V}_{K}=\mathcal{X}_{K} \quad \mathcal{T}_{K}=\mathcal{X}_{1} \cup \mathcal{X}_{2} \cup \cdots \cup \mathcal{X}_{K-1}
$$

- Average performance over $\mathcal{V}_{i}, i=1, \ldots, K$
- $(K-2) / K$ of data shared by each pair of training sets (statistical non-independence of the results)
- Leave-one-out: $K=N$
- Training on $N-1$ data, performance on one data (repeated $N$ times)
- Useful for algorithms with reduced or no training times (e.g. $k$-PPV), or very small datasets


## $5 \times 2$ cross-validation

- $5 \times 2$ cross-validation
- Divide dataset $\mathcal{X}$ into two equal disjoint subsets $\mathcal{X}_{1}^{(1)}$ et $\mathcal{X}_{1}^{(2)}$
- Train on $\mathcal{T}_{1}=\mathcal{X}_{1}^{(1)}$ and evaluate on $\mathcal{V}_{1}=\mathcal{X}_{1}^{(2)}$
- Repeat with training on $\mathcal{T}_{2}=\mathcal{X}_{1}^{(2)}$ and evaluation on $\mathcal{V}_{2}=\mathcal{X}_{1}^{(1)}$
- Repeat five times for a total of 10 trainings/evaluations

$$
\begin{array}{cc}
\mathcal{T}_{1}=\mathcal{X}_{1}^{(1)} & \mathcal{V}_{1}=\mathcal{X}_{1}^{(2)} \\
\mathcal{T}_{2}=\mathcal{X}_{1}^{(2)} & \mathcal{V}_{2}=\mathcal{X}_{1}^{(1)} \\
\mathcal{T}_{3}=\mathcal{X}_{2}^{(1)} & \mathcal{V}_{3}=\mathcal{X}_{2}^{(2)} \\
\mathcal{T}_{4}=\mathcal{X}_{2}^{(2)} & \mathcal{V}_{4}=\mathcal{X}_{2}^{(1)} \\
\vdots & \vdots \\
\mathcal{T}_{9}=\mathcal{X}_{5}^{(1)} & \mathcal{V}_{9}=\mathcal{X}_{5}^{(2)} \\
\mathcal{T}_{10}=\mathcal{X}_{5}^{(2)} & \mathcal{V}_{10}=\mathcal{X}_{5}^{(1)}
\end{array}
$$

- More than five repetitions: too many dependencies between datasets
- Less than ten results: not enough samples to estimate a distribution and do statistical tests


## Bootstrapping

- Bootstrapping: sampling with replacement
- Generate training set by sampling $N$ data with replacement among $N$ data of the original set
- Validation on a different training set, generated in the same way
- Repeat as many times as necessary to evaluate performance
- Probability to sample a data is $1 / N$
- For dataset of $N$ data, probability that a given data is not drawn

$$
\left(1-\frac{1}{N}\right)^{N} \approx e^{-1}=0.368
$$

- Approximately $63.2 \%$ of original data present in sampled set
- Greater dependency between sampled datasets than with cross-validation
- Still excellent for evaluating performance with small datasets
- Also good for evaluating the stability of an algorithm
14.6 Error measurements and ROC curves


## Error measurement and confusion matrix

- Confusion matrix: explanation of the errors made

|  | Decision |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Truth | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | $\|T P\|$ | $\|F N\|$ |
| 0 | $\|F P\|$ | $\|T N\|$ |

- Error rate redefinition: $E=\frac{|F N|+|F P|}{N}$
- With $N=|T P|+|F P|+|T N|+|F N|$
- Weighting by type of error (variable costs)

$$
E=\frac{c_{F N}|F N|+c_{F P}|F P|}{N}
$$

- Direct generalization to $K$ classes


## ROC curves

- ROC curve (receiver operator characteristics)
- Rate of correct decisions

$$
\frac{|T P|}{|T P|+|F N|}
$$

- False alarm rate

$$
\frac{|F P|}{|F P|+|T N|}
$$

- Different acceptance thresholds give different operation points on the curve



## ROC curves for classification

ROC CURVE


## ROC curve decision threshold



## AUC-ROC, sensitivity and specificity

- Area under the ROC (AUC-ROC) curve: threshold-independent performance measurement
- Ability of the classifier to properly discriminate two classes for all thresholds
- Similarity with nonparametric Wilcoxon-Mann-Whitney test
- Sensitivity: number of correctly identified positives

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\text { sensibility }=\frac{|T P|}{|T P|+|F P|}
$$

- Specificity: number of correctly identified negatives

$$
\text { specificity }=\frac{|T N|}{|T N|+|F N|}=1-\frac{|F P|}{|T N|+|F N|}
$$

## Precision and recall

- Searching for information in databases
- Extracted entries following a query: positive
- Relevant entries for a query: true positives + false negatives
- Accuracy: \# relevant extracted entries by \# extracted entries

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\text { precision }=\frac{|T P|}{|T P|+|F P|}
$$

- Accuracy of 1: extracted entries all relevant, but may remain false negatives
- Equivalent to sensitivity
- Recall: \# elevant entries extracted by \# relevant entries

$$
\text { recall }=\frac{|T P|}{|T P|+|F N|}
$$

- Recall of 1: all relevant entries are retrieved, but there may be irrelevant (false positive) entries retrieved.


## Precision and recall


14.7 Confidence interval and statistical laws

## Confidence interval

- Estimator (e.g. maximum likelihood): a value of a parameter
- Confidence interval: the range of plausible values of a parameter, for a given confidence threshold.
- Based on the underlying probability density of the estimator
- Example: estimation of mean $\mu$ of a normal distribution from samples $\mathcal{X}=\left\{x^{t}\right\}_{t=1}^{N}$
- Estimation by average of samples: $m=\sum_{t} x^{t} / N$
- $m$ is a sum of normal variables, and thus also normal, $m \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mu, \sigma^{2} / N\right)$
- According to the normal law, we therefore have confidence at $95 \%$ that $\mu \in[m-1.96 \sigma / \sqrt{N}, m+1.96 \sigma / \sqrt{N}]$

$$
P\left(m-1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{N}}<\mu<m+1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{N}}\right)=0.95
$$

## Confidence interval

- Law $\mathcal{Z}$ : normal law of null mean and unit variance, $\mathcal{Z} \equiv \mathcal{N}(0,1)$
- General formalization of confidence interval for normal law: $Z \sim \mathcal{Z}, P\left(Z>z_{\alpha}\right)=\alpha, \alpha \in[0,1]$
- Normal law of null mean is symmetrical
- Single bound: $P\left(-z_{\alpha}<Z\right)=1-\alpha, P\left(Z<z_{\alpha}\right)=1-\alpha, \alpha \in[0,1]$
- Double bounds: $P\left(-z_{0.5 \alpha}<Z<z_{0.5 \alpha}\right)=1-\alpha, \alpha \in[0,1]$
- Estimation of sample mean $m \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mu, \sigma^{2} / N\right)$, implies

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\begin{aligned}
\sqrt{N} \frac{m-\mu}{\sigma} & \sim \mathcal{Z} \\
P\left(m-z_{\alpha} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{N}}<\mu\right) & =1-\alpha \\
P\left(\mu<m+z_{\alpha} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{N}}\right) & =1-\alpha
\end{aligned}
$$

- If $Z_{i} \sim \mathcal{Z}$ are independent random variables, and

$$
X=Z_{1}^{2}+Z_{2}^{2}+\cdots+Z_{n}^{2}
$$

then $X$ follows a law from $\chi^{2}$ with $n$ degrees of freedom, $X \sim \chi_{n}^{2}$

- Expected value of $\mathbb{E}[X]=n$ and variance $\operatorname{Var}(X)=2 n$
- For a sampling $x^{t} \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mu, \sigma^{2}\right)$
- Variance estimate: $s^{2}=\frac{\sum_{t}\left(x^{t}-m\right)^{2}}{N-1}$
- $(N-1) \frac{s^{2}}{\sigma^{2}} \sim \chi_{N-1}^{2}$
- $\chi^{2}$ Law is excellent for performing statistical tests on several random variables according to normal laws
- For example, several estimates of a classification rate


## Student's Law

- Student's Law: suitable for testing on normal distributions where there are few samples.
- If $Z \sim \mathcal{Z}$ and $X \sim \chi_{n}^{2}$ are independent, then $T_{n} \sim t_{n}$, follows a Student's Law with $n$ degrees of freedom

$$
T_{n}=\frac{Z}{\sqrt{X / n}}
$$

- With large $n$, the distribution has a shape similar to a normal distribution of mean equal to 0
- Expected value $\mathbb{E}\left[T_{n}\right]=0$, variance $\operatorname{Var}\left(T_{n}\right)=\frac{n}{n-2}$, pour $n>2$
14.8 Statistical tests


## Hypothesis testing

- Hypothesis testing: classic method for testing the statistical validity of results
- Assuming that a random variable follows a certain density law
- Estimate the probability that the variable meets the hypothesis based on the statistics obtained from the measurements
- If the probability is sufficiently high, the test is positive (null hypothesis verified)
- $t$-test (Student's Law)
- Difference between true mean $\mu_{0}$ and mean $m$ from $N$ samples, having a variance $s$, follows a Student's Law with $N-1$ degrees of freedom

$$
\frac{\sqrt{N}\left(m-\mu_{0}\right)}{s} \sim t_{N-1}
$$

- Hypothesis verified with probability $1-\alpha$ when:

$$
\frac{\sqrt{N}\left(m-\mu_{0}\right)}{s} \in\left[-t_{0.5 \alpha, N-1}, t_{0.5 \alpha, N-1}\right]
$$

## Paired t-test

- Using the $t$-test for $K$-fold cross-validation
- $K$ error percentages $p_{i}$ on validation sets $\mathcal{V}_{i}, i=1, \ldots, K$

$$
p_{i}=\frac{\sum_{\mathbf{x}^{t} \in \mathcal{V}_{i}} \mathbb{I}\left(r^{t}, \mathrm{~h}\left(\mathbf{x}^{t} \mid \mathcal{T}_{i}\right)\right)}{N}
$$

- Mean and variance of results with $K$-fold cross-validation

$$
m=\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{K} p_{i}}{K}, \quad s^{2}=\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{K}\left(p_{i}-m\right)^{2}}{K-1}
$$

- Paired $t$-test performed according to

$$
\frac{\sqrt{K}\left(m-p_{0}\right)}{s} \sim t_{K-1}
$$

where $p_{0}$ is the error rate verified by the hypothesis test

- So, error rate less than $p_{0}$ with probability $1-\alpha$ if next test is positive

$$
\frac{\sqrt{K}\left(m-p_{0}\right)}{s}<t_{\alpha, K-1}
$$

## Paired $t$-test for results comparison

- Comparison of two algorithms trained with $K$-fold cross-validation
- $p_{i}^{1}$ : classification error on $\mathcal{V}_{i}$ of the first algorithm trained on $\mathcal{T}_{i}$
- $p_{i}^{2}$ : classification error on $\mathcal{V}_{i}$ of the second algorithm trained on $\mathcal{T}_{i}$
- Difference of the classification error on fold $i: p_{i}=p_{i}^{1}-p_{i}^{2}$
- Hypothesis test: mean value of $p_{i}$ is null
- Mean and variance of the error difference

$$
m=\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{K} p_{i}}{K}, \quad s^{2}=\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{K}\left(p_{i}-m\right)^{2}}{K-1}
$$

- The error difference $p_{i}$ follows a Student's Law with $K-1$ degrees of freedom

$$
\frac{\sqrt{K}(m-0)}{s}=\frac{\sqrt{K} m}{s} \sim t_{K-1}
$$

- Algorithm with statistically identical performance, with probability $1-\alpha$, if next test is positive

$$
\frac{\sqrt{K} m}{s} \in\left[-t_{0.5 \alpha, K-1}, t_{0.5 \alpha, K-1}\right]
$$

## Analysis of variance (ANOVA)

- ANOVA: comparing several classification algorithms
- How to compare $L$ algorithms, each trained and tested on $K$ pairs of different subsets?
- Assuming that each result $E_{i, j}$ follows a normal distribution of mean

$$
E_{i, j} \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mu_{j}, \sigma^{2}\right), i=1, \ldots, K, j=1, \ldots, L
$$

- Average $\mu_{j}$ unknown and different for each algorithm
- Variance $\sigma^{2}$ shared by all folds/algorithms
- Hypothesis $H_{0}$ : all averages $\mu_{j}$ are equal

$$
H_{0}: \mu_{1}=\mu_{2}=\cdots=\mu_{L}
$$

- ANOVA approach: two different estimators of $\sigma^{2}$
- First estimator of $\sigma^{2}$ valid only when $H_{0}$ is true
- Second estimator of $\sigma^{2}$ valid no matter how valid $H_{0}$ is


## First estimator of $\sigma^{2}$ with ANOVA

- First estimator of $\sigma^{2}: H_{0}$ is valid
- Average by algorithm on $K$ folds: $m_{j}=\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{K} e_{i, j}}{K}$
- Mean and variance of the $m_{j}$

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m=\frac{\sum_{j=1}^{L} m_{j}}{L}, \quad s^{2}=\frac{\sum_{j=1}^{L}\left(m_{j}-m\right)^{2}}{L-1}
$$

- Estimator of $\sigma^{2}$

$$
\hat{\sigma}^{2}=K s^{2}=K \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{L}\left(m_{j}-m\right)^{2}}{L-1}
$$

- As each $m_{j}$ follows a normal law, we can say

$$
\frac{(L-1) s^{2}}{\sigma^{2} / K}=\frac{K \sum_{j=1}^{L}\left(m_{j}-m\right)^{2}}{\sigma^{2}} \sim \chi_{L-1}^{2}
$$

- By posing $S_{b} \equiv K \sum_{j=1}^{L}\left(m_{j}-m\right)^{2}$, we get $H_{0}$ is valid when

$$
\frac{S_{b}}{\sigma^{2}} \sim \chi_{L-1}^{2}
$$

## Second estimator of $\sigma^{2}$ with ANOVA

- Second estimator of $\sigma^{2}$ : independent of validity of $H_{0}$
- $\sigma^{2}$ : mean of the variance $s_{j}^{2}$ of the algorithms

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\begin{aligned}
s_{j}^{2} & =\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{K}\left(e_{i, j}-m_{j}\right)^{2}}{K-1} \\
\hat{\sigma}^{2} & =\sum_{j=1}^{L} \frac{s_{j}^{2}}{L}=\sum_{j=1}^{L} \sum_{i=1}^{K} \frac{\left(e_{i, j}-m_{j}\right)^{2}}{L(K-1)}
\end{aligned}
$$

- By posing $S_{w} \equiv \sum_{j=1}^{L} \sum_{i=1}^{K}\left(e_{i, j}-m_{j}\right)^{2}$

$$
(K-1) \sum_{j=1}^{K} \frac{s_{j}^{2}}{\sigma^{2}}=(K-1) \sum_{j=1}^{K} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{K}\left(e_{i, j}-m_{j}\right)^{2}}{(K-1) \sigma^{2}}=\frac{S_{w}}{\sigma^{2}} \sim \chi_{L(K-1)}^{2}
$$

## ANOVA

- Fisher's law: ratio of two independent $\chi^{2}$ laws

$$
F_{n, m}=\frac{X_{1} / n}{X_{2} / m}, \quad \text { où } X_{1} \sim \chi_{n}^{2} \text { et } X_{2} \sim \chi_{m}^{2}
$$

- ANOVA: reject hypothesis $H_{0}$ if the two estimators of $\sigma^{2}$ differ significantly

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\begin{aligned}
& H_{0}: \mu_{1}=\mu_{2}=\cdots=\mu_{L} \\
& \frac{\frac{S_{b} / \sigma^{2}}{L-1}}{\frac{S_{w} / \sigma^{2}}{L(K-1)}}=\frac{S_{b} /(L-1)}{S_{w} /(L(K-1))}=\frac{L(K-1)}{L-1} \frac{S_{b}}{S_{w}} \sim F_{L-1, L(K-1)}
\end{aligned}
$$

- Therefore, hypothesis that average classification rates are equal for all algorithms is valid at a probability $1-\alpha$ when

$$
\frac{L(K-1)}{L-1} \frac{S_{b}}{S_{w}}<F_{\alpha, L-1, L(K-1)}
$$

14.9 Python tools for experimentation

## Python tools for experimentation

- sklearn.model_selection.cross_val_score: $K$-fold cross-validation
- scipy.stats.ttest_rel and scipy.stats.ttest_ind: $t$-test, paired or independent
- scipy.stats.f_oneway: analysis of variance (ANOVA)
- seaborn.boxplot: graphical comparison of several results (requires Seaborn library)


From https://seaborn.pydata.org/generated/seaborn.boxplot.html

- Auto-sklearn: AutoML with scikit-learn
https://automl.github.io/auto-sklearn/master/

