

Lecture 19: Leave-one-out approximations

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Description

We introduce the idea of cross-validation, leave-one-out in its extreme form. We show that the leave-one-out estimate is almost unbiased. We then show a series of approximations and bounds on the leave-one-out error that are used for computational efficiency. First this is shown for least-squares loss then for the SVM loss function. We close by reporting in a worst case analysis the leave-one-out error is not a significantly better estimate of expected error than is the training error.

Suggested Reading

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