

回归残差和相关系数

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回归性能评价指标决定系数 R^2 和皮尔逊相关系数 r 有什么关系, 为什么两者都可以作为评价相关性的指标, 它们之间有什么内在的联系呢?

两者关系

在机器学习中经常使用回归残差 (Sum squared regression, SSR) 来评价回归模型的性能; 而皮尔逊相关系数 (Pearson correlation coefficient) 经常用来评价两个变量线性相关性。

回归残差:

$$R^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 \quad (1)$$

皮尔逊相关系数:

$$r = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y})}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2}} \quad (2)$$

那么这两者到底有什么关系? 先说结论:

对于线性回归的最小二乘拟合:

$$r(x, y) = \pm\sqrt{R^2} \quad (3)$$

对于非线性拟合, 也有此关系, 证明见 Sec. 。

关系证明

线性回归和最小二乘

线性回归:

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \epsilon \quad (4)$$

其中: $\hat{y} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x$ 。用最小二乘法拟合残差的平方和 (Sum of square residuals, SSR) 得知:

$$SSR = \sum_{i=1}^n (\epsilon_i)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i)^2 \quad (5)$$

对其求偏导, 并使其为零:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial SSR}{\partial \beta_0} &= \sum_{i=1}^n 2(y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i)(-1) = 0 \\ \frac{\partial SSR}{\partial \beta_1} &= \sum_{i=1}^n 2(y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i)(-x_i) = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

则:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i) &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i) = 0 \\ \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i) x_i &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i) x_i = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

根据上式子第一条:

$$\bar{\hat{y}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \hat{y}_i}{n} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i}{n} = \bar{y} \quad (8)$$

相关系数

$$\begin{aligned}
 \rho(y_i, \hat{y}_i) &= \frac{\text{cov}(y_i, \hat{y}_i)}{\sqrt{\text{var}(y_i) \text{var}(\hat{y}_i)}} \\
 &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})(\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2}} \\
 &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i + \hat{y}_i - \bar{y})(\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2}} \\
 &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)(\hat{y}_i - \bar{y}) + \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2}} \\
 &= \frac{0 + \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2}} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2}} \\
 &= \sqrt{R^2}
 \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

其中：

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)(\hat{y}_i - \bar{y}) &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i - \bar{y}) \\
 &= (\beta_0 - \bar{y}) \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i) + \beta_1 \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i) x_i \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

二次回归的决定系数和皮尔逊相关系数

二次回归决定系数： $\hat{y} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2$ ，最小二乘法的残差平方和：

$$SSR = \sum_{i=1}^n (e_i)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i - \beta_2 x_i^2)^2 \tag{11}$$

对 SSR 求参数的偏导，令偏导数等于零，可得最优参数：

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial SSR}{\partial \beta_0} &= \sum_{i=1}^n 2(y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i - \beta_2 x_i^2)(-1) = 0 \\
 \frac{\partial SSR}{\partial \beta_1} &= \sum_{i=1}^n 2(y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i - \beta_2 x_i^2)(-x_i) = 0 \\
 \frac{\partial SSR}{\partial \beta_2} &= \sum_{i=1}^n 2(y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i - \beta_2 x_i^2)(-x_i^2) = 0
 \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

可以得到：

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i - \beta_2 x_i^2) &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i) = 0 \\
\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i - \beta_2 x_i^2) x_i &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i) x_i = 0 \\
\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i - \beta_2 x_i^2) x_i^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i) x_i^2 = 0
\end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

根据上面式子可以得到：

$$\bar{\hat{y}} = \bar{y} \tag{14}$$

根据相关系数的公式：

$$\begin{aligned}
\rho(y, \hat{y}) &= \frac{\text{cov}(y_i, \hat{y}_i)}{\sqrt{\text{var}(y_i) \text{var}(\hat{y}_i)}} \\
&= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})(\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2}} \\
&= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i + \hat{y}_i - \bar{y})(\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2}} \\
&= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)(\hat{y}_i - \bar{y}) + \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2}} \\
&= \frac{0 + \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2}} \\
&= \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2}} \\
&= \sqrt{R^2}
\end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

其中：

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)(\hat{y}_i - \bar{y}) &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \beta_2 x_i^2 - \bar{y}) \\
&= (\beta_0 - \bar{y}) \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i) + \beta_1 \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i) x_i + \beta_2 \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i) x_i^2 \\
&= 0
\end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

可见，只要通过最小二乘法拟合，就能得到 $r(x, y) = \pm\sqrt{R^2}$ ，进而推广到多项式。任意非线性函数可以由泰勒拟合为多项式，所以进而可以说任意函数都有 $r(x, y) = \pm\sqrt{R^2}$ 。

易混淆的公式

- Sum square error, SSE: $\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$
- Sum square regression, SSR: $\sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2$
- Sum square total, SST: $\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2$

其中: $SST = SSE + SSR$, 证明如下:

$$\begin{aligned} SST &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n ((y_i - \hat{y}_i) + (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y}))^2 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2 + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)(\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})}_{value=0} \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

其中 value=0 一项参考 Eq. 10。