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Shrinkage Methods and Tree Ensembles for High-dimensional Sparse Data

생물정보학에서 다루는 많은 데이터들은 변수의 개수는 많지만 표본 크기는 "상대적으로 작은" 고차원 희박 데이터(high-dimensional sparse data)이다. 예를 들어 마이크로어레이나 RNA 시퀀싱으로 얻어지는 유전자 발현 데이터는 수천 ~ 수만 개의 유전자에 대한 발현 정보를 가지고 있지만 표본의 크기는 대부분 수백 ~ 수만에 지나지 않는다.

본 강의에서는 고차원 희박 데이터가 기계학습에 어떠한 악영향을 미치는지를 직관적으로 설명하고, 이러한 데이터를 분석하는 데 널리 사용되는 shrinkage 방법과 tree ensemble에 대해 설명한다. 선형회귀 및 로지스틱 회귀 기반의 shrinkage 방법이 어떠한 전략으로 고차원 희박 데이터 문제를 해결하는지 설명하고, 그 구체적인 활용 방법에 대해 강의한다. 또한, 고차원 희박 데이터를 다룰 수 있는 비선형 방법인 결정트리(decision tree) 기반의 tree ensemble도 상세히 다룬다.

강의는 다음의 내용을 포함한다:

- Bias-Variance Trade-Off
- 고차원 희박 데이터의 문제점
- Shrinkage 방법 (Ridge, Lasso, Elastic Net)
- Tree Ensemble (Bagging, Random Forest, Boosting)

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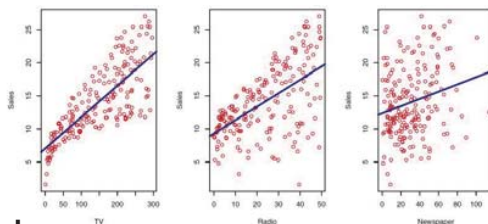
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 - 선형회귀와 고차원 희박 데이터
 - Shrinkage 방법
 - Tree Ensemble 방법
- 참고 교재
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Bias-Variance Trade-Off

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A Machine Learning Example: Advertising Problem

- How to improve sales of a particular product
 - By controlling the advertising expenditure
- Data
 - Sales of the product in 200 different markets
 - Advertising budgets for the product in each of those markets for three different media: TV, radio, and newspaper



- Goal
 - Develop an accurate model for predicting sales given the three media budgets

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A Statistical Learning Setting

- Input variables
 - TV budget (X_1), radio budget (X_2), and newspaper budget (X_3)
 - Different names
 - Predictors, independent variables, features, and variables
- Output variable
 - sales (Y)
 - Different names
 - Response, dependent variable, and target variable
- Our assumption
 - $Y = f(\mathbf{X}) + \varepsilon$
 - f : a function
 - ε : an error term

Statistical (Machine) Learning

- We try to estimate “ f ” from a given (training) data set
- Machine learning is about a set of approaches to estimating the f
- Diverse disciplines are related to machine learning
 - Computer science
 - Electronic engineering
 - Statistics

Types of Machine Learning

- Supervised learning
 - A **target variable** (Y) is given
 - Regression vs classification
 - Disease diagnosis based on a lab test
- Unsupervised learning
 - There is **no target variable**
 - Exploratory data analysis; feature extraction
 - Clustering of genes based on their expression patterns
- Reinforcement learning
 - Instead of a target variable, *reward* is given to an **agent**
 - AlphaGo
 - Robot navigation (mapping and localization)

Types of Supervised Learning

- Quantitative target-variables
 - Numerical values
 - Age, height, income, sales
 - **Regression**
 - Advertising problem
- Qualitative target-variables
 - Categorical values
 - Gender, cancer diagnosis
 - **Classification**

Why Estimate f?

- Prediction
 - If we estimated f, we can use it for predicting the value of Y (output variable) for a specific x
- Inference
 - We are interested in understanding the way that Y is affected as X_1, \dots, X_p change
- Possible questions addressed
 - Which predictors are associated with the response?
 - What is the relationship between the response and each predictor?
 - Increasing the predictor will **increase or decrease** the response
 - Can the relationship between Y and each predictor be adequately summarized using a **linear equation**, or is the relationship **more complicated**?

Performance of a (Learned) Regression Model: Mean Squared Error (MSE)

- Average difference between the **true observed-response** (y_i) and the **predicted one** ($\hat{f}(x_i)$)

- If we have a training data (\mathbf{X} and \mathbf{y})

$$\mathbf{y} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1p} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \dots & x_{2p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{n1} & x_{n2} & \dots & x_{np} \end{pmatrix} \quad MSE = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{f}(x_i))^2$$

- A.k.a. Training MSE
- However, we are more interested in MSE for future observations
 - Stock market prediction
 - Diabetes risk prediction

Test MSE

- We could think about MSE over **test observations** (x_0, y_0)

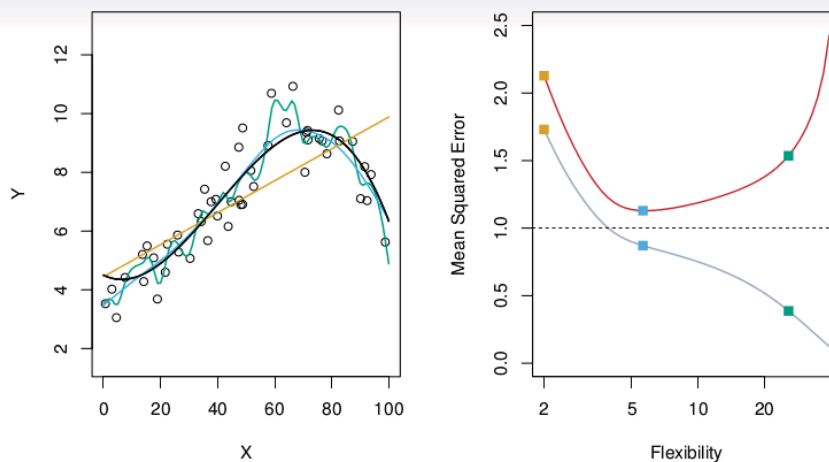
$$Ave(y_0 - \hat{f}(x_0))^2$$

- Minimization of test MSE is required!!!

- How can we minimize test MSE

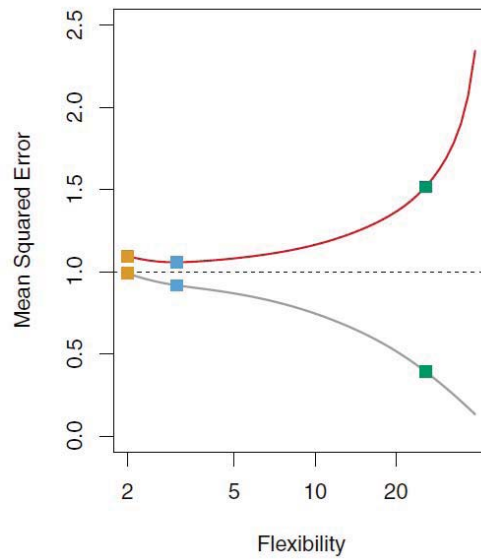
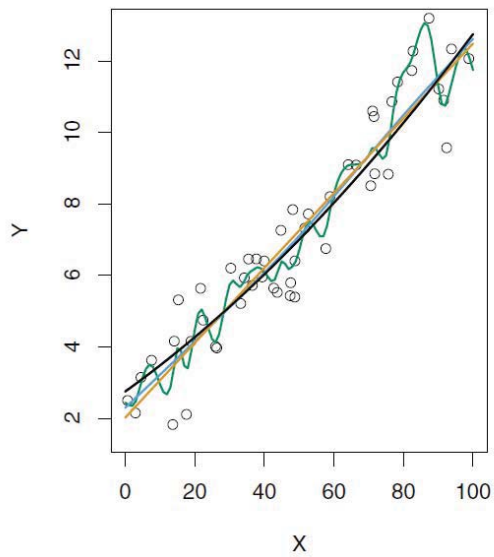
- If we have a set of test observations, the problem is simple
 - Test observations are not used for training
- What if we do not have test observations?
 - Can we use **training MSE instead of test MSE** for assessing models?

Training MSE vs Test MSE



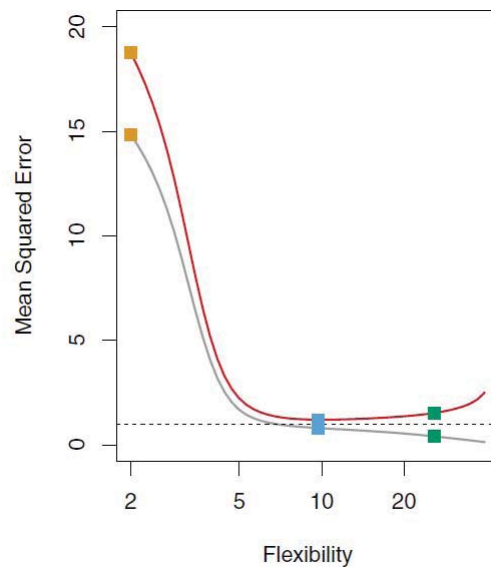
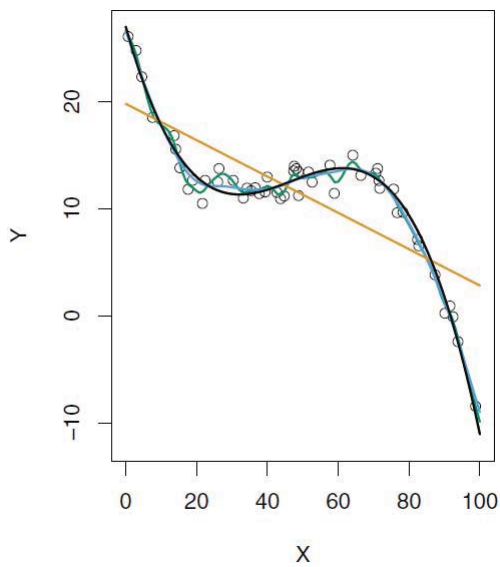
- Simulation experiments
 - Black curve: truth
 - Circles: training data (sampled from the black curve)
 - Orange, blue, and green curves: learned results with differing complexity levels (different machine learning models)
 - **Overfitting** phenomenon

A Smoother True Function



- How does the linear line work?

A More Flexible Truth Function



- Linear line now?

How Come Such a Phenomenon Occurs

- Mathematical proof is possible
- We are concerned with

$$Ave(y_0 - \hat{f}(x_0))^2$$

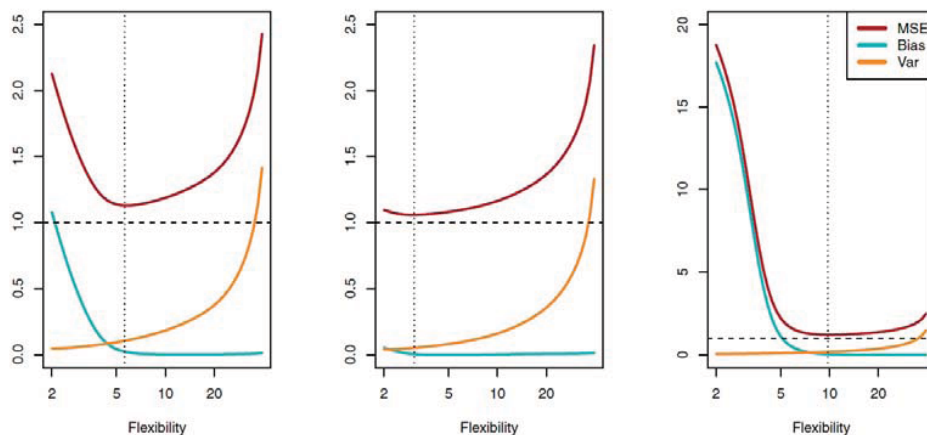
- It can be decomposed as

$$E(y_0 - \hat{f}(x_0))^2 = Var(\hat{f}(x_0)) + [Bias(\hat{f}(x_0))]^2 + Var(\varepsilon)$$

– Expectation over training observations (= training data)

- Variance
 - The amount by which f (learned result) changes according to the given training data set
- Bias
 - The error introduced by modeling the given problem using a machine learning model

Observations vs Theory



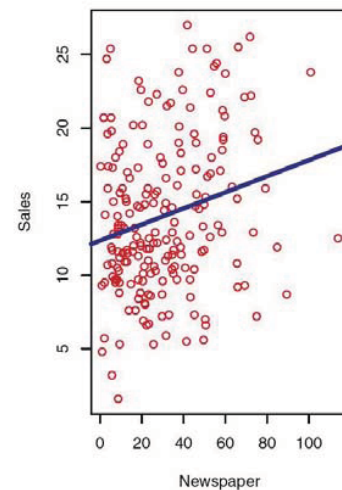
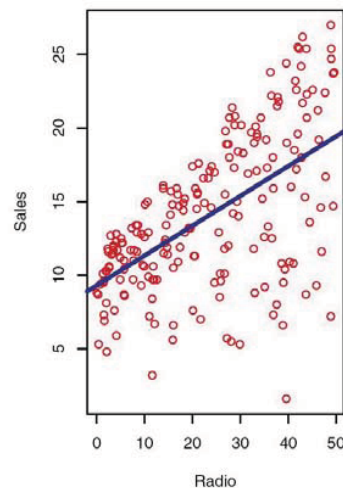
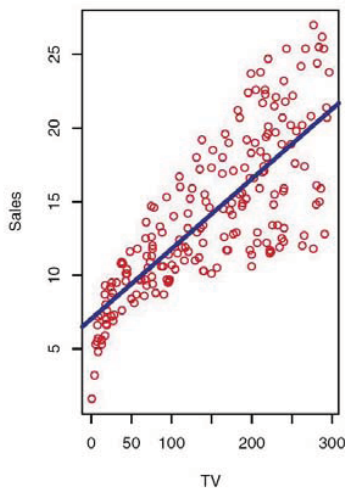
- The bias-variance trade-off
- Training errors decrease as the model complexity increases
- Test errors show a u-shaped curve
 - We must choose an appropriate level of model complexity to obtain a good test error

Linear Regression & High-Dimensional Sparse Data

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Regression for the Advertising Data Set

- We have a data set (Advertising)
 - Sales (Y), TV (X_1), radio (X_2), and newspaper (X_3) (from 200 cities)
 - $Y = f(X_1, X_2, X_3) + \epsilon$



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Multiple Linear Regression

- Regression formula

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \cdots + \beta_p X_p + \epsilon$$

$$\text{sales} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \times \text{TV} + \beta_2 \times \text{radio} + \beta_3 \times \text{newspaper} + \epsilon$$

- Meaning of β_j
 - Average effect of X_j on Y when all other predictor values are fixed

Estimation of the Coefficients in Multiple Linear Regression

- We estimate $\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_p$ as the values that minimize the sum of squared residuals

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RSS} &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_{i1} - \hat{\beta}_2 x_{i2} - \cdots - \hat{\beta}_p x_{ip})^2 \end{aligned}$$

- **Least squares method**
- Measures for model fit in multiple linear regression

- $RSE = \sqrt{\frac{\text{RSS}}{n-p-1}}$ (residual standard error)

- $R^2 = \frac{TSS - \text{RSS}}{TSS}$ (the fraction of variance explained)

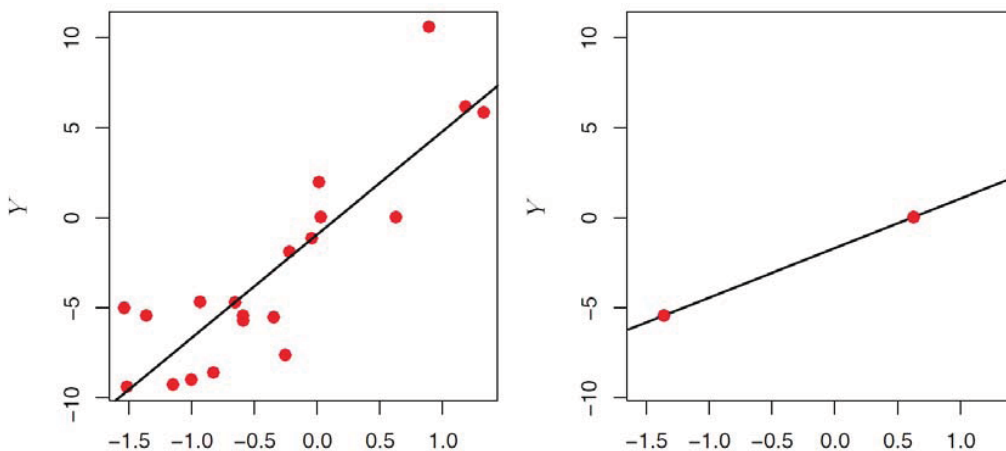
- $TSS = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2$

High-Dimensional Sparse Data

- Low dimensional data
 - Predicting blood pressure based on age, gender, and body mass index
 - Data from thousands of people can be obtained
 - $p \ll n$
- High-dimensional sparse data
 - Blood pressure prediction using millions of single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs)
 - Data from thousands of people can be obtained
 - $p > n$
- Classical approaches such as the least squares is not appropriate for the high-dimensional cases

Least Squares Regression in a Low-Dimensional Setting

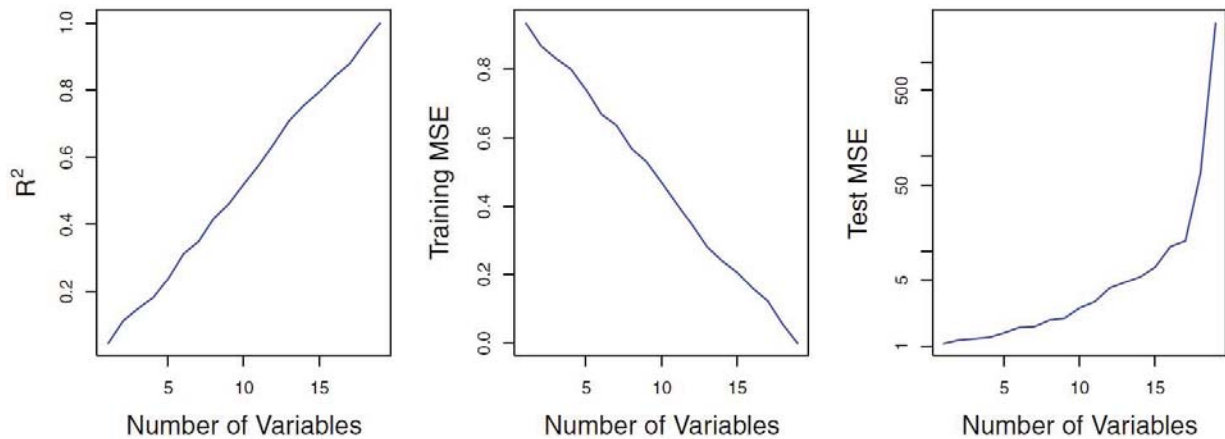
- $p = 1$; $n = 20$ vs $n = 2$



- When $n < p$ or $n \approx p$, the least squares is too flexible to prevent the overfitting

Impact of the Number of Predictors

- $n = 20$; $p = 1$ to 20
 - All the predictors were unrelated with the response



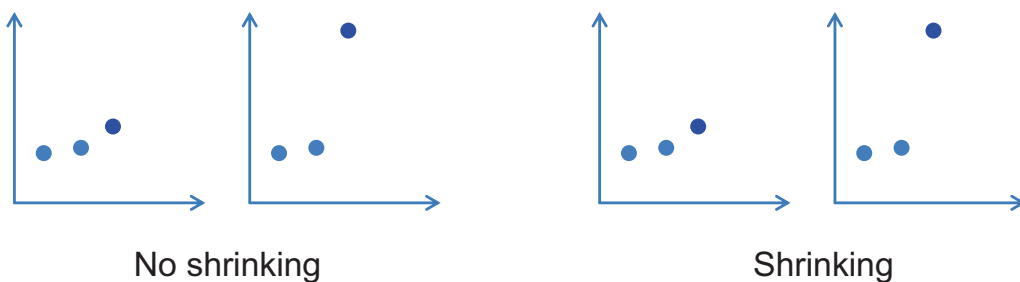
Shrinkage Methods

Linear Models for High-Dimensional Sparse Data

- Even linear models with the least squares are too flexible for some cases
 - If $n > p$: high variability \rightarrow overfitting
 - If $n < p$: infinite variability \rightarrow infinite models can fit the data
- Alternative fitting procedures than the (ordinary) least squares are required

Idea of the Shrinkage Method

- Constrain or regularize the coefficient estimates
 - Shrink the coefficient estimates towards zero
- Shrinking the coefficient estimates could reduce their variance
 - Bias-variance trade-off



- Ridge
- Lasso

Ridge Regression

- Ordinary least squares methods minimize

$$RSS = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - \beta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^p \beta_j x_{ij} \right)^2$$

- Alternatively, we minimize the following

$$RSS + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^p \beta_j^2$$

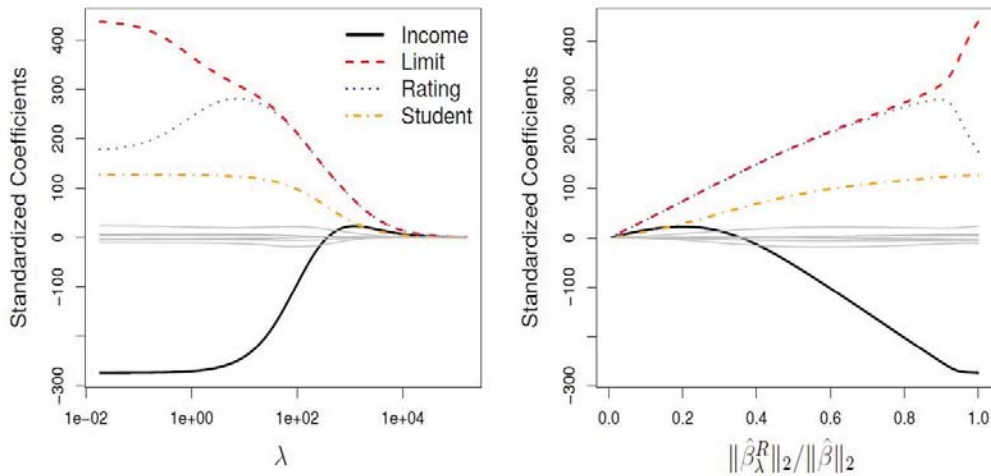
- λ : tuning parameter
 - Control the relative impact of shrinkage

Ridge Regression (cont'd)

$$\lambda \sum_{j=1}^p \beta_j^2$$

- Shrinkage penalty
 - Effect of shrinking the estimates of β_j towards zero
- Setting a good value for λ is important

Effect of Ridge on Regression Coefficients

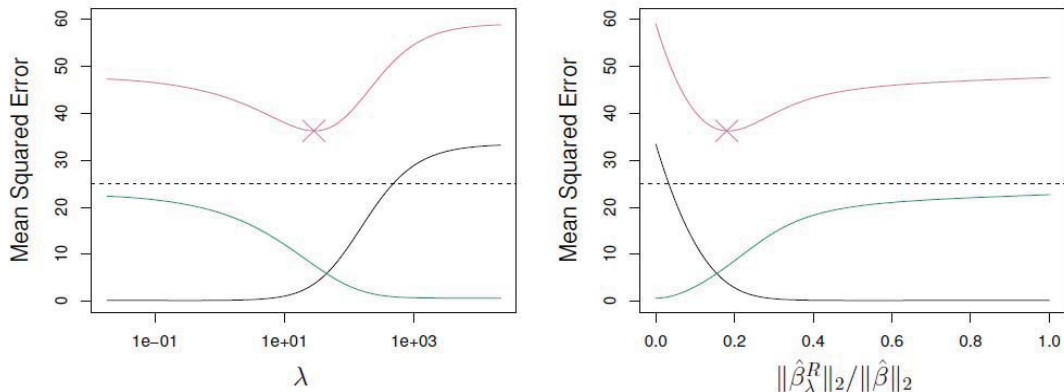


- Predict balance using ten predictors including income, limit, rating, and student
- Left-hand plot: λ as x-axis value
- Right-hand plot: $\frac{\|\hat{\beta}_\lambda^R\|_2}{\|\hat{\beta}\|_2}$ as x-axis value
 - l_2 norm

Effect of Ridge on Regression Coefficients (cont'd)

- Scale equivariant
 - Ordinary least square estimates
 - $X_j \hat{\beta}_j$ is invariant regardless of the scale of X_j
 - Ridge regression
 - Standardizing the predictors is needed (y-axis of the previous plot)
 - $\tilde{x}_{ij} = \frac{x_{ij}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_{ij} - \bar{x}_j)^2}}$

Bias-Variance Trade-Off in Ridge Regression



- Simulated data set ($p = 45, n = 50$)
 - Very sparse
- Squared bias, variance, and test MSE
- The variance decreases substantially without substantial increase in bias till $\lambda = \sim 10$ (left-hand plot)

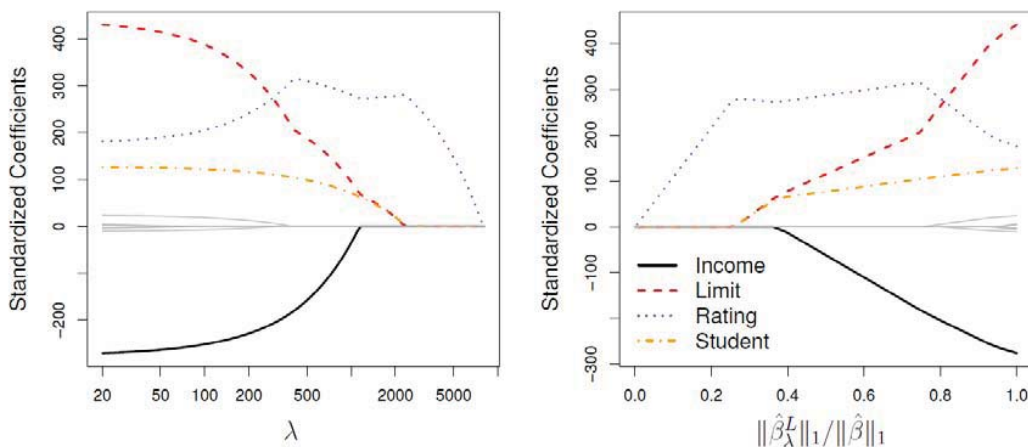
Advantages and Disadvantages of Ridge Regression

- Advantages
 - Ridge regression works very well in situations where the least squares method results in high variance
 - In many bioinformatics data sets, e.g., microarray analysis
 - Other benefits of ridge regression
 - Less computation is needed compared with other methods, e.g., best subset selection
- Disadvantages
 - All predictors are used unless $\lambda = \infty$
 - Can be problematic when interpreting the regression result (especially when p is large)
 - The subset selection approach could do this
 - Shrinkage methods for this?

Lasso

- Least Absolute Shrinkage and Selection Operator
- Objective function for lasso
 - $RSS + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^p |\beta_j|$
 - l_1 penalty
- In lasso, coefficient estimates for some predictors are exactly zero if λ is sufficiently large

Effect of Lasso on Regression Coefficients



- When λ is very large (i.e., $> 5,000$), only one predictor (rating) is included.
- As λ decreases, student and limit are added
- Effect of predictor subset selection

Shrinkage Viewed as Constrained Optimization

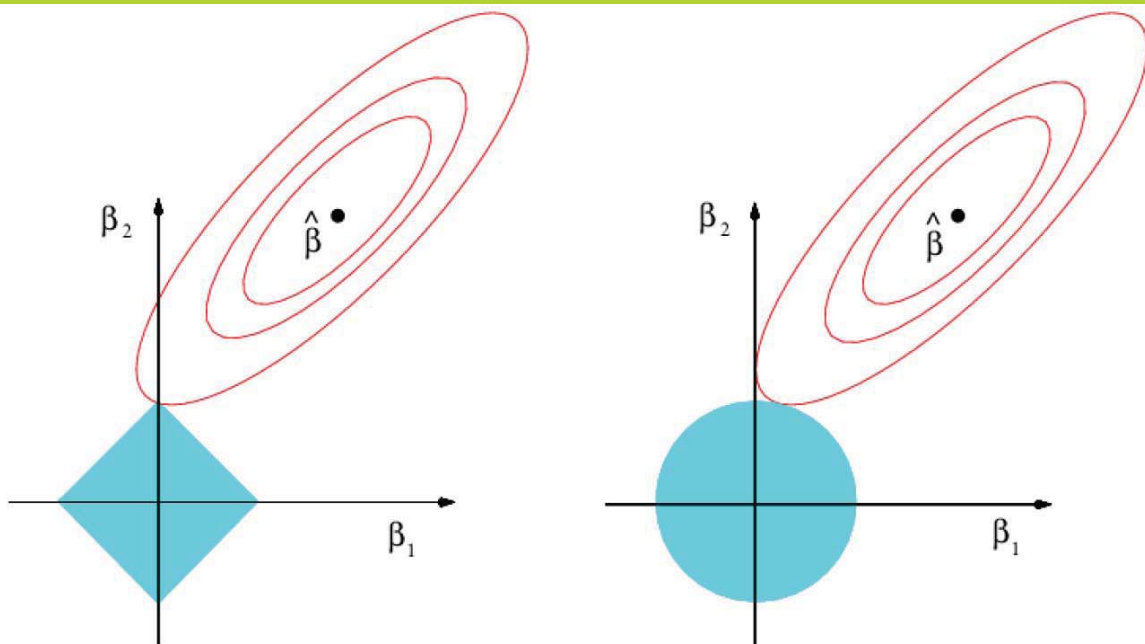
- Ridge

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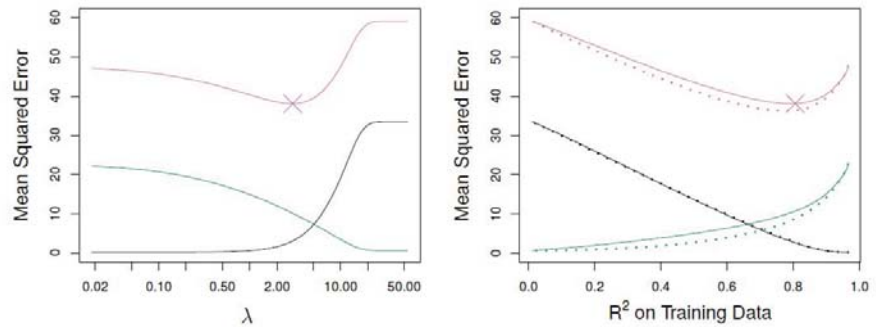
Comparison between Ridge and Lasso



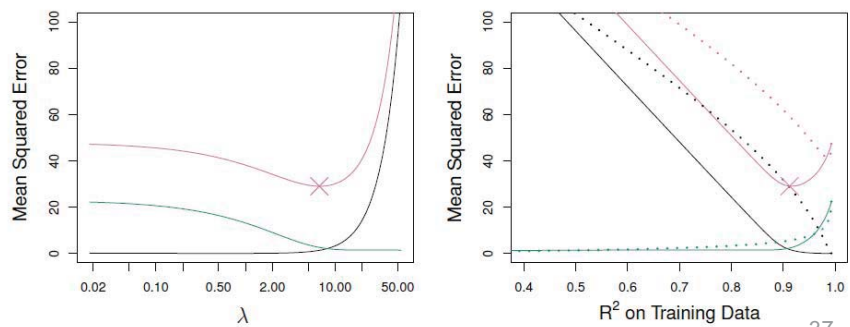
- Contours of the error and constraint functions for ridge (right) and lasso (left)

Results of Lasso on Simulated Data Sets (Compared with Ridge)

- 45 predictors



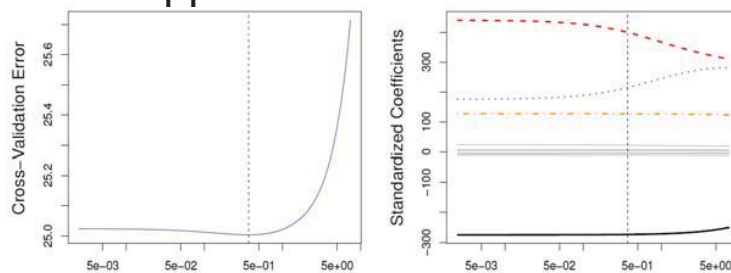
- Only 2 predictors out of the 45 were used for data generation



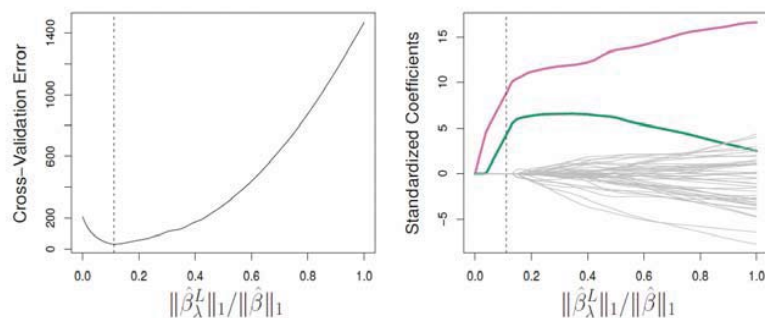
How to Determine the Value of λ for the Shrinkage Methods

- Cross-validation can be applied

- The Credit data

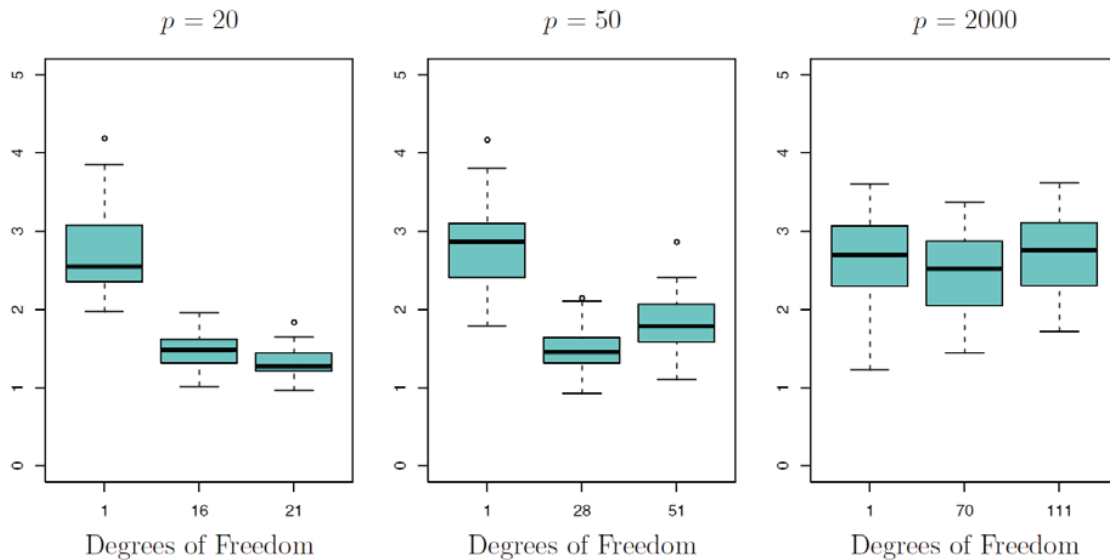


- The simulated data set (2 out of 45 predictors are related)



Lasso on a High-Dimensional Data Set

- $n = 100$; $p = 20, 50, 2000$
 - Only 20 predictors were related with the response



- Degrees of freedom: # of non-zero coefficients

Curse of Dimensionality

- Adding additional signal features will improve the fitted model
- Adding noise features will lead to a deterioration in the fitted model
- Thus, new technologies (or hypotheses) that allow for the collection of measurements for thousands/millions of features are a **double-edged sword**
 - Even if they are signal features, the variance incurred in fitting their coefficients may outweigh the reduction in bias

Tree Ensembles

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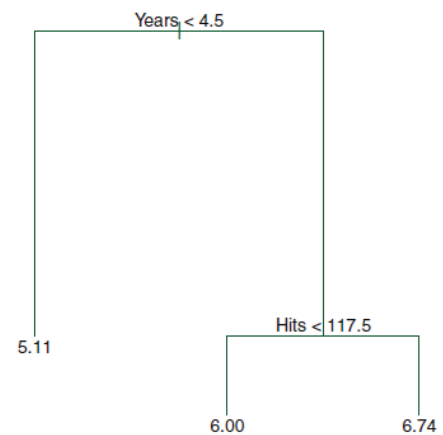
Tree-Based Methods

- Decision tree methods
 - Stratifying or segmenting the predictor space into a set of simple regions
 - Use the mean or the mode of the training examples in the region
 - The splitting rules can be summarized as a tree
- A simple and useful method
 - Especially for interpretation
 - However, not competitive with the best supervised learning method in terms of prediction accuracy
 - Some techniques such as bagging, random forests, and boosting can be used for addressing the prediction accuracy problem

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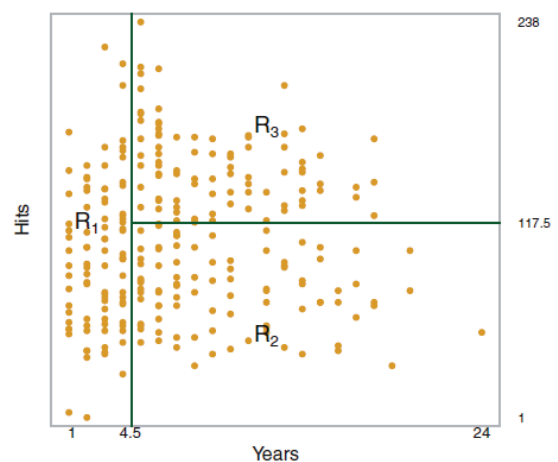
An Example Regression Tree

- Predict baseball players' salaries using regression trees
 - Response: **Salary** (in natural logarithm)
 - Predictors: **Years** and **Hits**
- A regression tree learned from the Hitters data set
 - An upside-down tree
 - Each internal node: a splitting rule
 - Each terminal (leaf) node: a region containing a set of examples
 - The number denotes the mean **Salary** value of the examples included

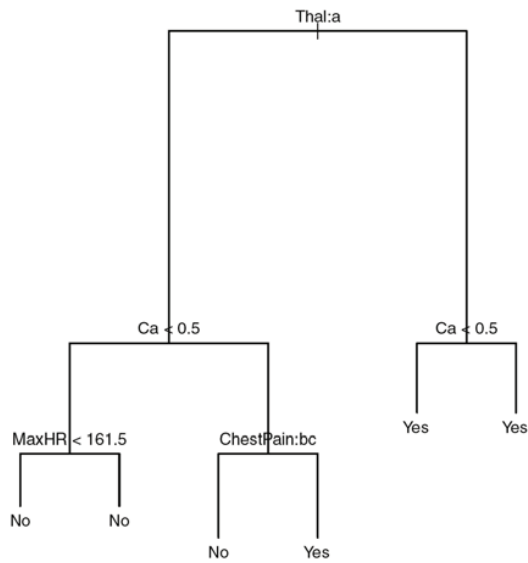


The Regions for the Hitters Data

- Three regions
 - $R_1 = \{X \mid \text{Years} < 4.5\}$
 - $R_2 = \{X \mid \text{Years} \geq 4.5 \text{ and } \text{Hits} < 117.5\}$
 - $R_3 = \{X \mid \text{Years} \geq 4.5 \text{ and } \text{Hits} \geq 117.5\}$
- Interpretation of the tree
 - **Years** is the most important factor
 - If a player is less experienced, **Hits** does not play an important role
 - Otherwise, **Hits** matters



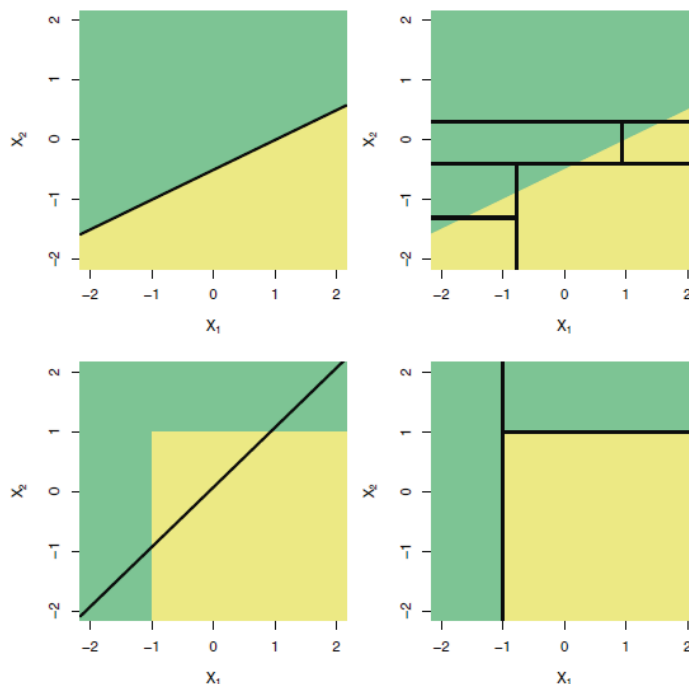
An Example Classification Tree



- Heart data set
 - A binary outcome for 303 patients having chest pain
 - Have heart disease or not

Trees vs Linear Models

- Depends on the problem at hand



Performance Improvement of Tree-Based Methods

- High variance in decision trees
 - If we randomly divide a data set into two and learn a decision tree from each of them, then the results would be quite different
 - Methods with low variance such as linear regression tends to have low variance (if n is much larger than p)
- Bootstrap aggregation (i.e., bagging) could reduce this problem

Averaging for Reducing Variances

- Given a set of independent observations Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_n with a common variance σ^2
 - The variance of the mean \bar{Z} is $\frac{\sigma^2}{n}$
- In a similar way, we could take B training data sets, build a model from each of them, and average the resulting B predictions
 - $\hat{f}^1(x), \hat{f}^2(x), \dots, \hat{f}^B(x)$
 - $\hat{f}_{avg}(x) = \frac{1}{B} \sum_{b=1}^B \hat{f}^b(x)$
- Of course, the above procedure is not practical because we usually do not have multiple training data sets

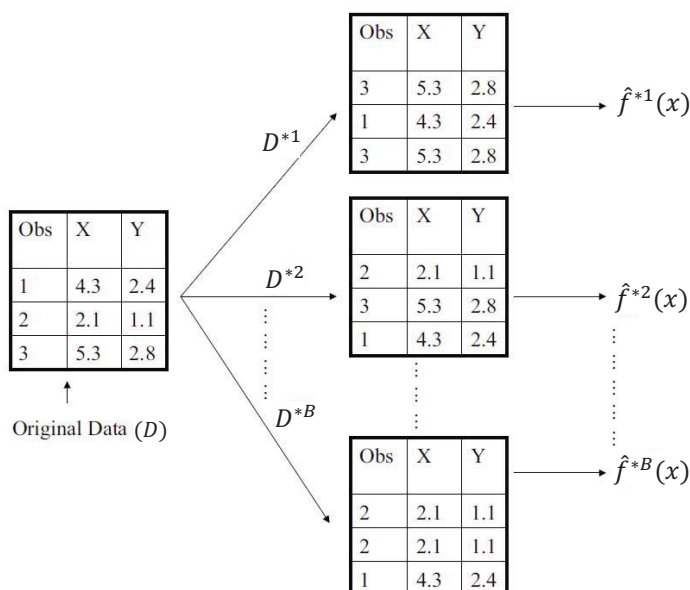
Bagging

- We can use bootstrap for taking averages from a single data set
- Generate B bootstrapped training data sets (with replacement)
- Train a method using each of the bootstrapped training sets
- Average the predictions

$$- \hat{f}_{bag}(x) = \frac{1}{B} \sum_{b=1}^B \hat{f}^{*b}(x)$$

Bagging (cont'd)

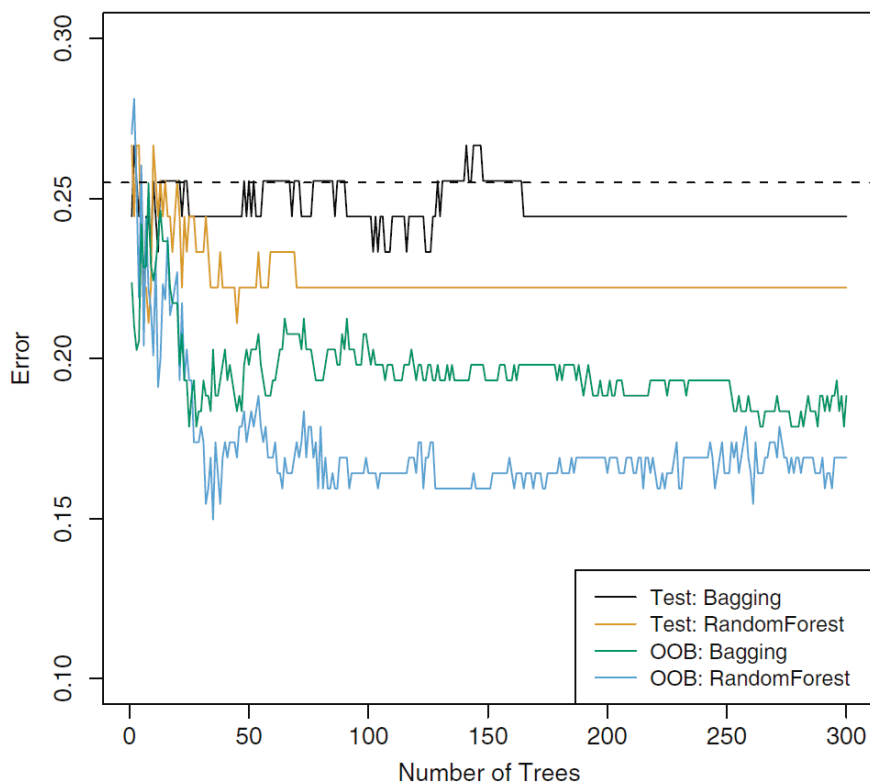
- A graphical representation of the bootstrap approach



Bagging (cont'd)

- Trees in bagging are grown deep and not pruned
 - Thus, each tree has low bias but high variance
 - Averaging these trees reduces the variance
- Bagging has been demonstrated to give impressive improvements by combining hundreds or thousands of individual trees
- Bagging on the Heart data set
 - Bagging with more than 100 trees could improve test accuracy
 - Test error was estimated using a validation set approach

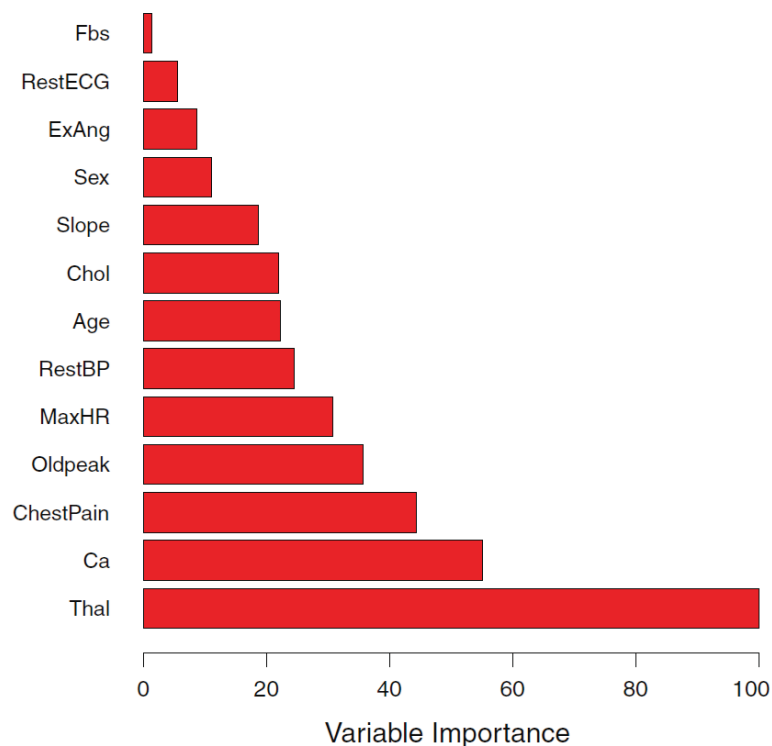
Performance of Bagging on the Heart Data Set



Variable Importance Measure

- Bagged trees are **hard to interpret**
 - Bagging improves the prediction accuracy at the expense of interpretability
- Instead, we can aggregate the importance of each predictor in each tree
 - A large value denotes a high importance

Importance of Variables in the Heart Data Set



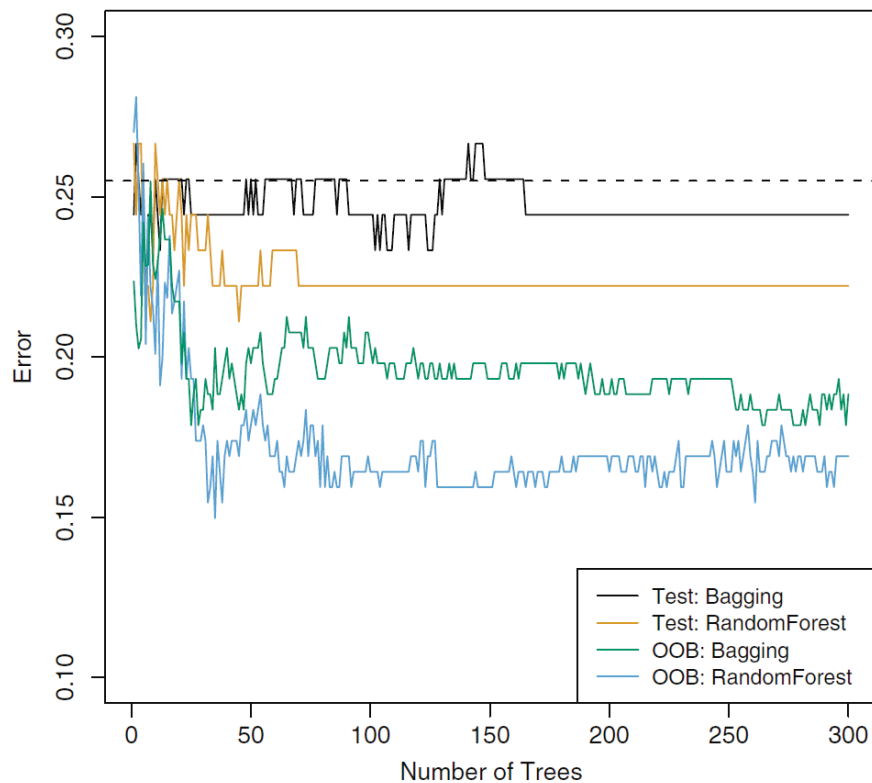
Correlation between Trees

- If there is one very strong predictor in a data set, that predictor will be always included in the bagged decision trees
 - Moreover, most of the trees will use that predictor on top of the splits
 - Thus, all the bagged trees will look quite similar to one another, resulting in a high correlation among them
- Averaging high correlated variables usually does not lead to a large reduction of variance
 - Test error of bagging would be large
- Thus, it is important to “decorrelate” the bagged trees

Random Forests

- Idea for decorrelating the trees
 - At each iteration of tree building, a random sample of m predictors are considered instead of all p predictors
 - This, we hope that the set of strong predictors would not be chosen in some cases
 - Usually $m = \sqrt{p}$ is used for classification ($p/3$ for regression)
- By decorrelating the trees, the reduction of variance would be substantial
- Random forests applied to the Heart data set

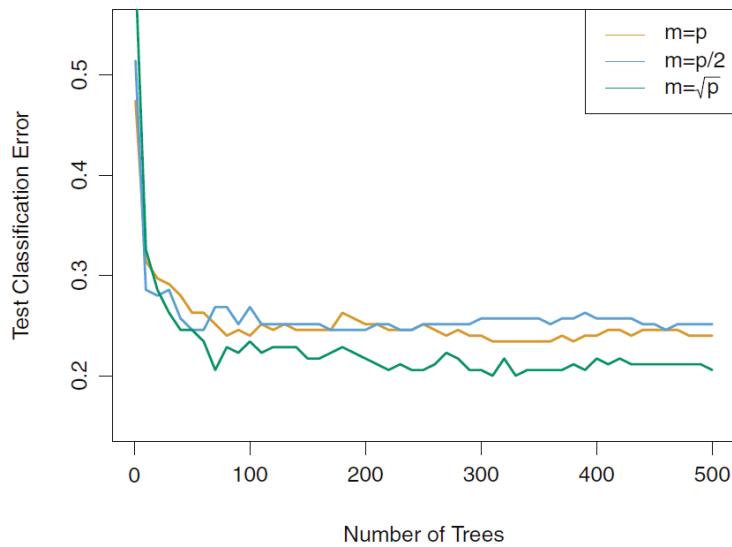
Performance of Random Forests on the Heart Data Set



Random Forests for a Gene Expression Data Set

- A gene expression data set
 - 4,718 genes
 - 349 patients
 - 15 class labels: normal and 14 different types of cancer
- 500 genes with high variance were selected
 - 349 x 500 data matrix (*very sparse!!*)

Performance of Random Forests on the Gene Expression Data Set



- A validation set approach was used
- Test error rate of a single tree: 0.457
- Random forests performed well

Boosting

- Another method for prediction performance improvement
- Trees are grown sequentially
 - Each tree is grown using information from previously grown trees
 - Each tree is fit on a modified version of the original data set

Algorithm 8.2 Boosting for Regression Trees

1. Set $\hat{f}(x) = 0$ and $r_i = y_i$ for all i in the training set.
2. For $b = 1, 2, \dots, B$, repeat:
 - (a) Fit a tree \hat{f}^b with d splits ($d+1$ terminal nodes) to the training data (X, r) .
 - (b) Update \hat{f} by adding in a shrunken version of the new tree:

$$\hat{f}(x) \leftarrow \hat{f}(x) + \lambda \hat{f}^b(x). \quad (8.10)$$

- (c) Update the residuals,

$$r_i \leftarrow r_i - \lambda \hat{f}^b(x_i). \quad (8.11)$$

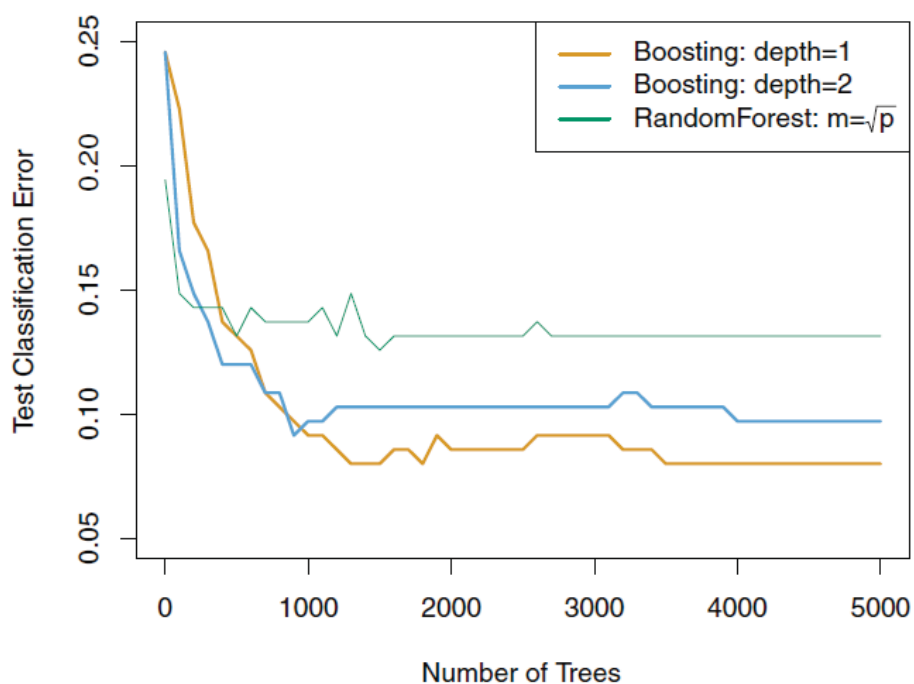
3. Output the boosted model,

$$\hat{f}(x) = \sum_{b=1}^B \lambda \hat{f}^b(x). \quad (8.12)$$

Parameters for Boosting

- Number of trees B
 - A large B values could result in overfitting
 - CV is used to select B
- Shrinkage parameter λ
 - A small positive number such as 0.01 and 0.001
- Number d of splits in each tree
 - Controls the complexity of each tree
 - Often $d = 1$ works well in practice (a.k.a. decision stumps)

Comparison between Boosting and Random Forests (the Gene Expression Data Set: Cancer vs Normal)



마치면서

- 학습 오류와 테스트 오류는 불일치할 수 있다
 - 과대적합
- 테스트 오류는 편향과 분산으로 구성된다
 - 모델의 복잡도가 크고 주어진 데이터의 크기가 작은 경우 분산이 커질 수 있다
- 고차원 희박 데이터의 경우 복잡도가 낮은 선형 모델도 분산이 클 수 있다
 - Shrinkage 방법은 이러한 문제를 완화할 수 있다
- Tree 기반 방법은 결과의 해석이 용이한 장점이 있지만 예측 성능은 다른 기계학습 방법에 비해 떨어진다
 - 성능을 향상시키는 방법으로 tree ensemble이 주로 적용된다
 - 고차원 희박 데이터에도 잘 적용될 수 있다

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