

Module 3 - Data Science and Machine Learning. 3.2 Supervised Learning.

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Brief Instructions

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Each time you run a block, you will see the output just below it. The information is usually always the last instruction, along with any print() (print command) in the code.

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1. WHAT IS SUPERVISED LEARNING?

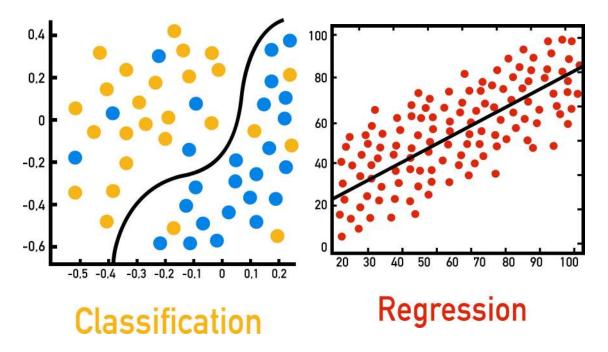
In previous modules in this course, we highlighted some interesting examples of the use of machine learning in the field of bioinformatics. Specifically, in Capsule 2 of Module 1 (*Bioinformatics. applications in biosciences and biohealth*), we listed drug development and discovery, microbiology, biomedical text mining, and precision or personalized medicine, among others. More specifically, machine learning can be directly used in these fields as a diagnostic tool to determine the category to which a patient belongs (e.g., healthy versus diseased). Another valid option would be to use machine learning to optimize the specific dosage of a drug for a specific group of patients, in this case by calculating a numerical value.

In both the examples provided above, the goal is to predict the value of an output variable such as a type of patient or the dose of a given medicine. When humans perform this task, they do so based on knowledge gained from their experiences with other similar cases (in these examples, patients and drugs). In the case of machine learning, this experience is gathered from instances in a dataset, as already described in the first capsule of this module.

Both the examples of the diagnosis of patients and the estimation of a drug dosage are types of "supervised learning". According to the type of output variable of the given

problem, the two fundamental tasks within supervised learning are **classification** and **regression**.

Classification refers to when the objective is to determine the category of an instance within a fixed set of values (the diagnosis of patients). On the other hand, and broadly speaking, regression seeks to create a mathematical interpolation function for a real variable (the drug dose estimate). The input variables that define the problem or case study are used in both cases; machine learning algorithms usually look for strong correlations between input and output variables to build a high-quality model.



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2. DATA CHARACTERISTICS THAT INFLUENCE LEARNING

Within supervised (classification and regression) tasks, the learning algorithm tries to find the best fit for the data during the training phase. To this end, input variables describing each problem instance are used.

In this sense, it is important to discuss whether it is possible to determine the amount of data that is optimal for correct learning, as well as the ideal relationship between the number of instances and the number of variables that represent them. Another very relevant issue is to understand the details associated with the input variables themselves. Finally, we must emphasize the need for quality data and the avoidance of data bias.

2.1 Discussion of the number of instances

There is no general valid answer regarding the amount of information required for supervised learning tasks for any case study or problem.

From a statistical point of view, the larger the sample (the data set), the more representative it is. Thus, the more information available, the more different cases can be covered, and the better the model will fit the actual case under study.

It is indeed possible to extract knowledge from very little data, even from as little as 50 to 100 instances. However, it is highly likely that the model generated will be too specific and therefore, will not be useful for further applications. The number of instances required for correct learning will depend on the difficulty of the problem to be solved, although a rule of thumb is that it should be at least 10 times the number of parameters used to set up the algorithm.

Finally, the question remains of whether there is a specific ratio between the number of instances and variables that is ideal for correct learning. Unfortunately, there is no exact answer to this question, although we can reuse the generic rule from above and so in this case, the number of instances must be at least 10 times the number of input variables used.

2.2 Discussion of input variables

As indicated above, machine learning algorithms tend to look for strong correlations between input and output variables.

Most of them prefer numerical input variables (real values such as gene expression levels or the pH of a product), although nominal variables (categories such as color or gender) can also be used.

The only important thing is to be careful not to include variables that may distort the knowledge you want to extract. For example, there might be a strong relationship between a person's age and the survival time for a particular disease, but our aim is to find this association reflected directly in the genetic data values. These are known as "confounding" data variables and can cause spurious associations that must be identified and avoided, especially when working in the area of bioinformatics.

Another relevant issue with respect to variables is "the curse of dimensionality". The term dimensionality refers to the cardinality (the number of elements) of a set of variables. In bioinformatic-type problems, the number of variables used for the study is often in the thousands or even tens of thousands. This makes the learning task exceedingly difficult because it reduces the algorithm's ability to find an optimal correlation between the inputs and outputs.

Thus, we must put considerable effort into the data preparation phase, selecting only the most important variables for the study in hand. Indeed, models built on subsets of high-quality predictor variables are often superior to those generated using all the original variables.

3. TRUSTWORTHY ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE: ENSURING ETHICS IN MODELS

In a world driven by Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Data Science, reliability and ethics are paramount. Remember that when we talk about AI, we are referring to systems that use Machine Learning, as these terms are closely interconnected today.

In this section, we will explore the increasing importance of ensuring transparency, fairness, and security in the use of AI, especially in biological contexts.

3.1 Explainable Artificial Intelligence and Model Transparency Ensuring that AI systems and/or Machine Learning models are transparent and their decisions are explainable is essential. In biology, imagine a model that helps diagnose diseases based on genomic data. It's crucial that biologists can understand how a diagnosis is reached. Model transparency and explainability ensure that AI decisions are reliable and ethical.

To ensure the above, some of the most common strategies are as follows:

- Model Interpretability: This involves choosing Machine Learning models that are
 naturally easier to understand. In Module 5, we will discuss the properties that
 determine when a model tends to be more interpretable, which is especially due to the
 ability to trace its decision-making logic.
- Data and Model Visualization: Visual representations can help users better understand how a model works. Graphics, diagrams, and visual representations of data and modeled results can make information more accessible.
- 3. Explainability Techniques: Specific methods have been developed to explain more complex models, i.e., those that are not interpretable per se. One approach is to use feature importance plots, which show which variables are most influential in model predictions.
- 4. Documentation and Metadata: Maintaining detailed records and documentation of models and data is essential for transparency. This includes information on how data was collected, how the model was trained, and how decisions were made.

3.2 Addressing Bias and Fairness in Data

In the exciting world of Data Science, there is a significant concern that goes beyond mathematics and modeling techniques: bias. Data bias can lead to unfair, inequitable, and ethically problematic outcomes. In this context, bias refers to the presence of prejudices in the data that can negatively affect certain groups or outcomes. For example, if a Machine Learning model used in biodiversity conservation is primarily trained on data from one geographic region, it may overlook issues in other areas.

A fundamental concept to grasp is that **algorithms themselves are not inherently biased**. Instead, it's the bias residing in the data that can introduce inequitable results. This means that to create fair and ethical Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning systems, we must pay attention to both the data collection and preparation process and the design and training of our models.

A key aspect in understanding data bias is the notion of **protected variables**, which are data features such as gender, race, or age, that are subject to potential discrimination. Identifying these protected variables is crucial for evaluating potential sources of bias.

A common approach is to assess bias based on groups identified by these protected variables. It is quite common today to conduct a model audit to thoroughly examine a

model's behavior in relation to so-called "bias metrics."

Let's imagine that we are developing a Machine Learning model to predict an individual's risk of developing a heart disease based on their genetic data and health history. In this context, two key variables could be related to bias: the gender and age of the patients. Gender is a binary variable (male or female), and age can be grouped into different categories (e.g., young, adult, and elderly). In this case, we could focus on the so-called "disparate positive prediction rate metric," which refers to how many patients from each group (gender and age) are labeled as "at risk" by the model. For example, we could calculate the positive prediction rate for men and women separately and for each age group. If we observe significant differences in these rates, we might be dealing with bias in the model.

3.3 Security, Robustness, and Regulatory Compliance in Artificial Intelligence

In the field of Data Science, it is essential to understand and apply concepts related to security, robustness, and regulation in Machine Learning algorithms. These concepts become critical to ensure that technological advancements are not only effective but also safe and ethical.

- 1. Algorithm Robustness: Robustness refers to the ability of a Machine Learning algorithm to maintain its performance even in unusual situations or when dealing with noisy data. In biology, this translates to the models' ability to analyze genetic data where there may be sequencing errors or unexpected variability.
- 2. Security in Biological Data: Given the sensitivity of biological data, it is crucial to ensure its security. This involves protecting patients' privacy and ensuring that genetic or medical data is not used inappropriately. For example, when sharing patient data for research, it is essential to ensure anonymization and the protection of personal information. Currently, the so-called Federated Learning is a paradigm that allows training models without the need to share sensitive data from different sources.
- 3. Al Act and Regulations: The Al Act is a significant regulation in the European Union that seeks to regulate Al to ensure its ethical and safe use. This means that any researcher or developer must comply with specific regulations to ensure safety and ethics in projects containing an Al component. In particular, limits on the development of applications are defined based on their risk to people. Not all Al projects in biology present the same level of risk. Some, like medical diagnosis, can have a high impact on people's health. Others, like pattern recognition in genetic sequences, may have moderate risk. Understanding and categorizing these risk levels is crucial for the responsible application of Al.

4. COMPLEMENTARY CASE STUDY: LEARNING ABOUT BREAST CANCER THROUGH IMAGES

Throughout this course, we will work on a learning problem related to **skin melanoma**. However, in this present section, for the sake of simplicity, we are going to perform some initial tests using a relatively simple dataset, known as *breast cancer*.

The input variables for this dataset were calculated from a digitized image of a fine needle aspirate of a breast mass. They describe the characteristics of the cell nuclei represented in the image in three-dimensional space.

This is a small dataset extensively described in the scientific literature, and many machine learning tools are available for it (e.g., Scikit-Learn).*

To use this dataset, first we must view the code that allows the data to be stored in a straightforward way as Python variables. Take a good look at the structure of the code block, which we will describe in more detail below.

```
import pandas as pd
#Scikit-learn contains its own data repository
from sklearn.datasets import load_breast_cancer

data = load_breast_cancer()
    #we store the input (features/variables) and output (class) in two variables X and
X, y = data.data, data.target
    #Transform variables a from numpy type to DataFrame type (for convenience of use)
X = pd.DataFrame(X,columns = data.feature_names)
y = pd.DataFrame(y,columns=["label"])

#Observe the first five samples
X.head()
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he following information can be extracted from this code:

- X and y are two dataframe -type data structures that are stored in Pandas (a library widely used in Python). A dataframe is understood as an n-dimensional vector, which generally makes it much more convenient to work with this type of data structure than with the one used in the NumPy library.
- X contains the input data matrix, a one-dimensional vector containing the label of each sample in X. For simplicity, in this case example, we decided to solve a classification problem (a categorical-type output variable).

 In supervised-type learning, X and y will be used to build and evaluate the machine learning model.

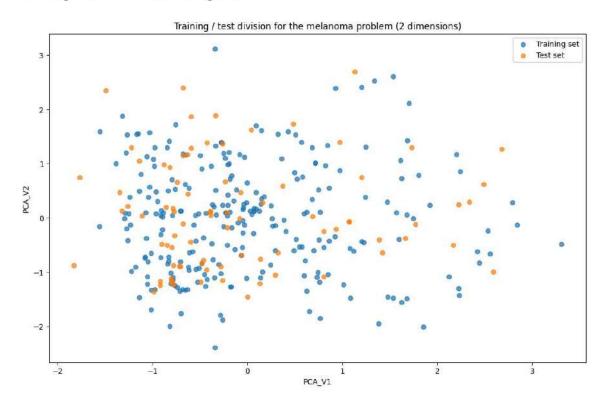
5. THE NEED FOR MACHINE LEARNING MODEL VALIDATION

As indicated above, the supervised learning training procedure seeks to create a model that perfectly fits the input data. To check how good this fit is, the model-building algorithm uses what is known as a 'performance metric'. This will determine the error produced by the model in the process of being generated when making a prediction based on the training set instances.

Once the learning has completed, it is vital to perform a model validation process to determine the quality of the model when run on new, real data. To do this, a so-called 'test set' is used, which should contain new instances that were not used during the training phase.

According to the above, there are two very distinct phases in supervised learning, namely, **training** (or just "train") and **validation** (better kn own as "test"). We must insist that two totally independent data sets are used for these phases because, if a test example is used during training, the quality of the model generated will be overestimated.

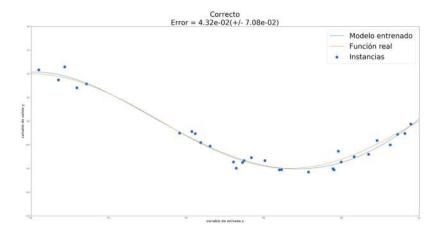
The following image shows how the input dataset is divided into two separate groups, where each example is marked with a different color according to whether it belongs to a "training" (blue) or "test" (orange) set.



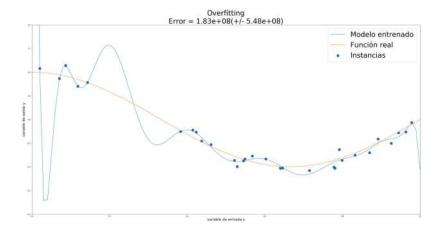
5.1 Validation case studies

A performance metric is calculated for each set based on the prediction results obtained through the training and testing. At this point, several outcome scenarios are possible:

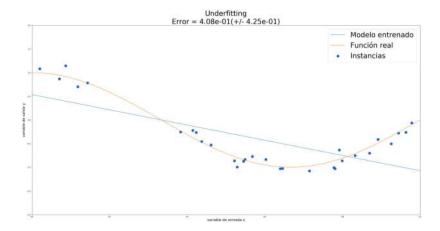
 A high-quality performance metric is obtained for both the training and test sets meaning that the model is fully effective and the process is complete.



A high-quality result is achieved for the training, but a very-low quality result for the
testing. This means that the model has fallen into over-fitting. In other words, the model
we have built is so specific to the training data that it is unable to generalize well to
different (test) data.



Both the training and test sets obtain low-quality scores (under-fitting). This indicates
that the model is not good and so data preprocessing must be applied, or the learning
must be repeated with proper parameter tuning. Alternatively, the system must simply
be fed with more data



5.2 Types of validation techniques

There are three different methodologies for splitting our original data set into training and test sets, as described below:

- The simplest is "hold-out", where the original data is split into two, equal disjointed sets. For example, 60% of initial instances are used for training and the remaining 40% are used for testing.
- Because of its statistical validity, the most widely used method is k-fold cross-validation, where the original set is split into k disjointed parts. For example, the instances are separated into 5 groups without replacement.
- There is also the possibility of performing exhaustive experimentation with the 'leave one out validation' (LOOV technique). In this case the whole set is used for training, except for one example which is used for testing.

In the following, these main techniques will be explained in more detail, paying special attention to the most recommended of them: k-partition cross-validation. The rationale for prioritizing this methodology is that all instances of the data set are used in the different test partitions, which promotes greater statistical rigor and thus, validity of the results obtained.

5.3 Hold-out validation

As introduced above, the **hold-out** technique creates two simple sets, i.e., a training and a test file, by partitioning a given percentage of the data. The percentage selected for each subset is left to the user, although typical values are above 60, 75, or 80% of the set for training, using the rest for testing.

The advantage of the hold-out method is that it is remarkably simple and efficient to perform. However, this method is not recommended because the final quality of the model will depend to a large extent on how the data were split. In other words, by separating the instances in a completely random way, it is possible that the ones selected for testing were the most difficult to identify.

Therefore, the hold-out technique is usually used when initial tests are carried out in order to discover the basic behavior of the different models (machine learning algorithms) applied to the problem under study.

Here we present the code used to create the hold-out data partitions, along with all the necessary instructions required to understand its specific functions. The main parameter used in this case is the ratio to define the partition between the *training* and *test* sets, respectively. Some additional details about the source code are noted below:

- The Scikit-learn library will be used as a support means throughout this course and so all functionality and modules from it will be imported through the first lines of the code.
- Data partitioning is performed randomly by default and so, what is known as a 'seed'
 must be used. This is a fixed value that allows us to always generate the same results
 each time the code is executed. This seed is indicated in the random_state
 parameter.
- print() will always be used as the last instruction in order to display a result that will allow the entire process to be interpreted.

```
#loads the code needed to do hold-out
In [2]:
        from sklearn.model selection import train test split
        #Parameters used:
        rd = 42 #because it is a non-deterministic process, a seed is set.
        ratio = 0.2 #Most important parameter: what is the ratio used for training and test
        #Next, the division is done. Important: the input and output (X and y) are divided.
        X train, X test, y train, y test = train test split(X, y, test size=ratio,random st
        #Print the indices of train and test with respect to the original set.
        print("%s %s" % (X_train.index, X_test.index))
        Int64Index([ 68, 181, 63, 248, 60, 15, 290, 137, 155, 517,
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                    549, 530, 163, 503, 148, 486, 75, 249, 238, 265],
                   dtype='int64', length=114)
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The following code snippets show the size of the sets that will have just been created

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In [3]: #First train (X & y)
    X_train.shape, y_train.shape
Out[3]: ((455, 30), (455, 1))
In [4]: #Then test (X & y)
    X_test.shape, y_test.shape
Out[4]: ((114, 30), (114, 1))
```

Based on the results shown above, by performing an 80:20 split (applying a ratio = 0.2 for the test), 455 instances were used in the training ($569 \cdot 0.8$) and 114 for the test ($569 \cdot 0.2$).

To correctly perform the validation, it is extremely important that both sets are disjointed, i.e., that no test instance was seen during the training. This fact is checked in the following code block which 'asks' if any data ("instance") of the training set (X_train) is contained in the test set (X test). The result should always be False for all the rows.

In [5]: X_train.isin(X_test) #Instruction that checks if any test element repeats in train #The first column to be observed is the original index, which is unordered.

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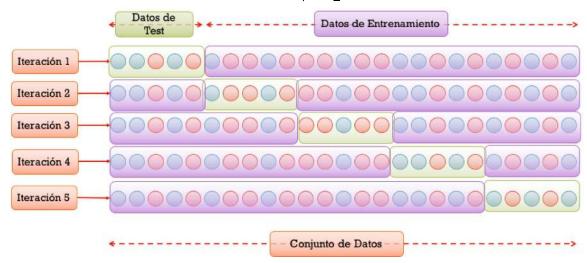
5.4 K-fold Cross-validation

This approach is the most widely used and is recommended when performing supervised learning. The main reason for this is its statistical rigor, as well as the use of the whole dataset for training and testing, by using an iterative procedure (i.e., a procedure repeated a certain number of times).

In particular, when using k-fold cross-validation, the data is divided into k disjointed subsets, called 'folds' or 'partitions'. As indicated above, the objective is to validate the models with different combinations of these partitions.

Specifically, the instances belonging to each of the k-folds will be stored in a different test set; while the union of the instances found in the remaining k-1 folds will be used to build each of the training sets.

As an example, if a cross-validation is performed with 5 folds (k = 5), the data would be distributed as shown in the following figure, taking 1/5 for testing and the remaining 4/5 for training for each fold.



The following shows how this data splitting can be done using Python, again taking advantage of the functionality of the scikit-learn library.

```
In [6]: from sklearn.model_selection import KFold #load the necessary functions

#Parameters
rd = 42
partitions = 5

#First difference with hold-out, partition indexes are created a priori
kf = KFold(n_splits=partitions, shuffle=True, random_state=rd)

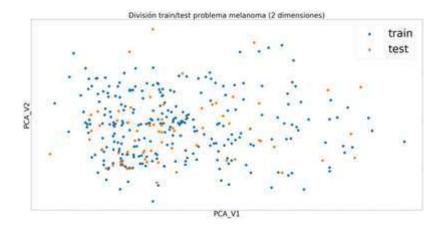
#Next, each subdivision is performed.
#Note that it is necessary to make it iterative (for loop) for each partition.
for train, test in kf.split(X,y):
    print("%s %s" % (train, test))
    #Sets are created iteratively (iloc is a "search" function)
    X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = X.iloc[train], X.iloc[test], y.iloc[train], y.
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As indicated, the output that should be shown after implementing the code shown above are the indices of the different instances in the training and testing sets. It is important to note that the numbers for testing do not match in any of the 5 cases.



In addition to the above, it is very common to repeat the partitioning (splitting) process into k-sets a certain number of times so as to add more statistical rigor to the results obtained. This means that, as in the case of the hold-out method, the aim is to eliminate dependence

on the random partitioning process because this can cause the most difficult test instances to always fall into the same set.

The procedure described above is referred to as *repeated k-fold cross-validation* and is shown in the following code example:

```
In []: from sklearn.model_selection import RepeatedKFold

#Parameters
rd = 42
partitions = 5
repeats = 3

#Very similar to the above, but including an additional repeats parameter
rkf = RepeatedKFold(n_splits=partitions, n_repeats=repeats, random_state=rd)
for index, (train, test) in enumerate(rkf.split(X,y)):
    if index % partitions == 0:
        print("Repetition ", (index // partitions)+1)
        print("%s %s" % (train, test))
        X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = X.iloc[train], X.iloc[test], y.iloc[train], y.
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Important note: The total number of partitions and/or iterations cannot be estimated a priori and will depend mainly on the number of instances available. In most cases, 10 partitions and 3 iterations are used by default. However, when only a few instances are available, as little as 5 partitions and 3–5 iterations can be used.

5.5 Stratified cross-validation (classification only)

This alternative is a very suitable variation for the classification of the k-fold cross-validation and returns stratified-type partitions. This term means that each set contains approximately the same percentage of samples from each target class as the full set does.

This is essential to avoid possible bias in the models and to avoid producing misleading conclusions. It is especially relevant when working with unbalanced data, in other words, with a very small percentage of samples from one of the classes.

As indicated at the beginning of this activity, cases of the type considered here are often observed in problems in the context of biology and/or healthcare.

In the following example, the solution is implemented using this new improved version of *k-fold*. The call format is practically equivalent to the previous case of k-fold cross-validation. To understand the differences in behavior, we can compare the two partitioning schemes, checking the final distribution of examples in each class.

To do so, we use a <code>NumPy</code> instruction called <code>bincount</code>, which simply counts the number of occurrences of each value in the list. The distribution of instances in the two classes for the test partitions is shown in the example below. Although the breast cancer dataset does not present a high imbalance of classes, we can observe that a bias towards one of the classes (in the second partition) may have been unintentionally created.

```
In [8]: from sklearn.model_selection import StratifiedKFold, KFold
import numpy as np
```

```
#Parameters
rd = 42
partitions = 5
#Parameters rd = 42 partitions = 5 #We perform stratified partitioning
skf = StratifiedKFold(n splits=partitions,shuffle=True,random state=rd)
#Let's check for differences with KFold
kf = KFold(n splits=partitions, shuffle=True, random state=rd)
#Next we do each subdivision.
print("Check class distribution in SKF:")
for train, test in skf.split(X,y):
  X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = X.iloc[train], X.iloc[test], y.iloc[train], y.
  print('train - {} | test - {}'.format(np.bincount(y train.iloc[:,0]), np.bincount
print("Check class distribution in KF:")
for train, test in kf.split(X, y):
  X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = X.iloc[train], X.iloc[test], y.iloc[train], y.
  print('train - {} | test - {}'.format(np.bincount(y_train.iloc[:,0]), np.bincount
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Check class distribution in KF:
train - [169 286] | test - [43 71]
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5.6 Leave One Out Validation (LOOV)

This is, together with *hold-out* the simplest of the validation techniques. In this particular case, each sample is considered as a single test set, whereas the remaining samples form the training set.

LOOV must be used with special care. Specifically, instead of building k models (such as in k-fold cross validatoin), now n models are obtained, being n the size of the dataset. Taken the former into account, and as each model is learned from the full dataset (minus one sample), the computational cost of this validation is simply huge.

Users must acknowledge that, when it comes to performance metrics, this validation technique offers a high variance. This behavior is expected since all models are basically the same (they were built with almost the same instances).

LOOV can be simulated from KFold(n_splits=n) with n the total number of samples from the dataset.

```
In [9]: #Parameters
  rd = 42
  partitions = len(X)

#Parameters rd = 42 partitions = all samples
  loov = KFold(n_splits=partitions, shuffle=True, random_state=rd)
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#Next we do each subdivision.
for train, test in loov.split(X,y):
    X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = X.iloc[train], X.iloc[test], y.iloc[train], y.
    #Below the learning and validation should be taken place
print("Example last partition: Total sizeTr[{}] sizeTst[{}]".format(len(y_train), ]
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Example last partition: Total sizeTr[568] sizeTst[1]

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