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1 Artificial Intelligence - MSc

1.1 ET5003 - MACHINE LEARNING APPLICATIONS

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2 INTRODUCTION

Piecewise regression, extract from Wikipedia:

Segmented regression, also known as piecewise regression or broken-stick regression, is a method in regression analysis in which the independent variable is partitioned into intervals and a separate line segment is fit to each interval.

- Segmented regression analysis can also be performed on multivariate data by partitioning the various independent variables.
- Segmented regression is useful when the independent variables, clustered into different groups, exhibit different relationships between the variables in these regions.
- The boundaries between the segments are breakpoints.
- Segmented linear regression is segmented regression whereby the relations in the intervals are obtained by linear regression.

3 Task

You have to create a piecewise regression model following the guidelines from the notebook provided to predict the house price using the provided dataset in the GitHub repository.

- 1. Get the dataset: train, test, and true price.
- 2. Analyse the dataset and decide what features to use.
- 3. Clean the dataset: remove nan's and possible outliers.
- 4. You could remove registers with 0 bathrooms and 0 bedrooms.
- 5. Your goal is to use a piecewise regression to solve this problem.
- 6. Follow the guidelines from the example provided.
- 7. Apply a full model first as a baseline.
- 8. You could select longitude and latitude to create clusters.
- 9. Use the number of clusters you model returns.
- 10. Apply a model to each cluster.
- 11. Analyse the results and give a comparison from both approaches
- 12. You could split the training to get a validation dataset.
- 13. Take notes from all the experiment results and bring your insights in your summary.

The goal is to use advanced Machine Learning methods to predict House price.

3.1 Imports

```
[96]: # Suppressing Warnings:
     import warnings
     warnings.filterwarnings("ignore")
[97]: import pandas as pd
     import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
     import numpy as np
     import pymc3 as pm
     import arviz as az
     import os
     from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
[98]: # to plot
     import matplotlib.colors
     from mpl_toolkits.mplot3d import Axes3D
     # to generate classification, regression and clustering datasets
     import sklearn.datasets as dt
     # to create data frames
     from pandas import DataFrame
     # to generate data from an existing dataset
     from sklearn.neighbors import KernelDensity
     from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV
```

4 Dataset (Get the dataset: train, test, and true price)

Extract from this paper:

- House prices are a significant impression of the economy, and its value ranges are of great concerns for the clients and property dealers.
- Housing price escalate every year that eventually reinforced the need of strategy or technique that could predict house prices in future.
- There are certain factors that influence house prices including physical conditions, locations, number of bedrooms and others.
- 1. Download the dataset.
- 2. Upload the dataset into your folder.

The challenge is to predict the final price of each house.

4.1 Training & Test Data

```
[100]: # Mount Google drive
from google.colab import drive
drive.mount('/content/drive')
```

Drive already mounted at /content/drive; to attempt to forcibly remount, call drive.mount("/content/drive", force_remount=True).

Training Data: (2982, 17)

Test Data: (500, 16) Cost Data: (500, 2)

[103]: print(dftrain.head(5))

```
property_type
     ad_id
                   area
                                             surface
    996887
0
           Portmarnock
   999327
                  Lucan
                                        NaN
                                                 NaN
2
  999559 Rathfarnham
                                        NaN
                                                 NaN
3 9102986
            Balbriggan
                                        NaN
                                                 NaN
 9106028
                Foxrock
                                        NaN
                                                 NaN
```

[5 rows x 17 columns]

```
[104]: print(f"Training/Test Data Split: {round((500/2982)*100)}%")
```

Training/Test Data Split: 17%

4.1.1 Commentary:

There is roughly a 83:17 split of training and test data. The training data is 2982 rows plus the test data which is 500 rows.

5 Analyse the dataset and decide what features to use

5.0.1 Train dataset

```
[105]: #Generate descriptive statistics dftrain.describe()
```

[105]:		ad_id	bathrooms	 price	surface
	count	2.982000e+03	2931.000000	 2.892000e+03	2431.000000
	mean	1.224065e+07	1.998635	 5.323536e+05	318.851787
	std	5.793037e+05	1.291875	 5.678148e+05	4389.423136
	min	9.968870e+05	0.000000	 1.999500e+04	3.400000
	25%	1.226813e+07	1.000000	 2.800000e+05	74.100000
	50%	1.237758e+07	2.000000	 3.800000e+05	100.000000
	75%	1.240294e+07	3.000000	 5.750000e+05	142.000000
	max	1.242836e+07	18.000000	 9.995000e+06	182108.539008

[8 rows x 8 columns]

Show first data frame rows

```
[106]: dftrain.head()
```

```
[106]: ad_id area ... property_type surface 0 996887 Portmarnock ... NaN NaN
```

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2
          999559 Rathfarnham
                                                 {\tt NaN}
                                                          NaN
      3 9102986
                    Balbriggan
                                                 NaN
                                                          NaN
      4 9106028
                       Foxrock
                                                 NaN
                                                          NaN
      [5 rows x 17 columns]
[107]: dftrain['county'].value_counts()
[107]: Dublin
                 2982
      Name: county, dtype: int64
[108]: dftrain['environment'].value_counts()
[108]: prod
              2982
      Name: environment, dtype: int64
     5.0.2 Test dataset
[109]: # Generate descriptive statistics
      dftest.describe()
[109]:
                                              no_of_units
                     ad id
                             bathrooms
                                         . . .
                                                                 surface
      count 5.000000e+02 500.000000
                                                       0.0
                                                              500.000000
             1.231695e+07
                              1.994000
                                                       {\tt NaN}
      mean
                                                              156.007671
      std
              1.485832e+05
                                                       {\tt NaN}
                                                              344.497362
                              1.106532
                                                       NaN
      min
             1.130615e+07
                              0.000000
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                                                               33.500000
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             1.228617e+07
                              1.000000
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      50%
             1.237964e+07
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                                                               98.000000
                                         . . .
      75%
             1.240544e+07
                              3.000000
                                                       NaN
                                                              138.935000
             1.242809e+07
                              8.000000
                                                       NaN 5746.536120
      max
      [8 rows x 7 columns]
[110]: # show first data frame rows
      dftest.head()
[110]:
            ad_id
                          area
                                bathrooms
                                            . . .
                                                 property_category property_type
      surface
      0 12373510
                      Skerries
                                       2.0
                                                                sale
                                                                           bungalow
      142.0
      1 12422623
                                       2.0
                         Lucan
                                                                sale
                                                                           terraced
      114.0
      2 12377408
                        Swords
                                       3.0
                                                               sale semi-detached
      172.0
      3 12420093
                         Lucan
                                       4.0
                                                               sale semi-detached
      132.4
      4 12417338 Clondalkin
                                       1.0 ...
                                                               sale semi-detached
      88.0
```

 ${\tt NaN}$

NaN

1

999327

Lucan

5.0.3 Expected Cost dataset

```
[111]: # Generate descriptive statistics
      dfcost.describe()
[111]:
                        Ιd
                                Expected
                            5.000000e+02
      count
             5.000000e+02
      mean
             1.231695e+07
                            5.810356e+05
                            6.009194e+05
      std
             1.485832e+05
      min
             1.130615e+07
                            8.500000e+04
      25%
             1.228617e+07
                            2.950000e+05
      50%
                            4.250000e+05
             1.237964e+07
      75%
             1.240544e+07
                            5.950000e+05
      max
             1.242809e+07
                            5.750000e+06
[112]: dfcost = dfcost.drop(columns='Id')
      dfcost.shape
[112]: (500, 1)
[113]: dftest = pd.concat([dftest, dfcost], axis=1)
[114]: dftest.head()
[114]:
            ad_id
                          area
                                bathrooms
                                                 property_type surface
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                                                                          875000.0
         12373510
                                       2.0
                                                       bungalow
                                                                  142.0
                      Skerries
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        12422623
                         Lucan
                                       2.0
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                                                                  114.0
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       12377408
                        Swords
                                       3.0
                                                 semi-detached
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        12420093
                         Lucan
                                       4.0
                                                 semi-detached
                                                                  132.4
                                                                         425000.0
                                            . . .
         12417338
                                                                   88.0
                   Clondalkin
                                       1.0
                                            . . .
                                                 semi-detached
                                                                         265000.0
      [5 rows x 17 columns]
        Rename the column name to cost instead of expected.
[115]: cost_data = [dftest['Expected']]
      header name = ['cost']
      dfcost = pd.concat(cost_data, axis=1, keys=header_name)
      dftest = pd.concat([dftest, dfcost], axis=1)
      dftest.drop(columns='Expected', inplace=True)
      dfcost.shape
[115]: (500, 1)
[116]: dftest.head()
                                bathrooms
                                                 property_type surface
[116]:
            ad_id
                          area
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                       Lucan
     4 12417338 Clondalkin
                                    1.0
                                                               88.0 265000.0
                                              semi-detached
     [5 rows x 17 columns]
[117]: # show first data frame rows
     dfcost.head()
[117]:
            cost
     0 875000.0
     1 355000.0
     2 440000.0
     3 425000.0
     4 265000.0
```

5.1 Commentary:

After looking at the data, we will use all of the features except for the following:

- ad_id (just an index and does not offer anything useful)
- county (there is only one county which is Dublin)
- description_block (free text, won't give specific details and subjective)
- environment (not clear what this is and there is only one value which is prod)
- facility (Free text, won't give specific details and subjective)
- features (Free text, won't give specific details and subjective)

6 Clean the dataset: remove nan's and possible outliers

6.0.1 Train dataset

Missing area data: 0
Missing bathrooms data: 51
Missing beds data: 51
Missing ber_classification data: 677
Missing latitude data: 0
Missing longitude data: 0

Missing no_of_units data: 2923 Missing property_category data: 0 Missing property_type data: 51 Missing surface data: 551

[122]: # Percentage of missing data
for col in column_list:
 print(f"Missing {col} data:", str(round(((dftrain[col].isna().sum()/
 →2931)*100),2))+ '%')

Missing area data: 0.0%

Missing bathrooms data: 1.74%

Missing beds data: 1.74%

Missing ber_classification data: 23.1%

Missing latitude data: 0.0%
Missing longitude data: 0.0%
Missing no_of_units data: 99.73%
Missing property_category data: 0.0%
Missing property_type data: 1.74%

Missing surface data: 18.8%

[123]: dftrain.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 2982 entries, 0 to 2981
Data columns (total 11 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	area	2982 non-null	object
1	bathrooms	2931 non-null	float64
2	beds	2931 non-null	float64
3	ber_classification	2305 non-null	object
4	latitude	2982 non-null	float64
5	longitude	2982 non-null	float64
6	no_of_units	59 non-null	float64
7	price	2892 non-null	float64
8	<pre>property_category</pre>	2982 non-null	object
9	property_type	2931 non-null	object
10	surface	2431 non-null	float64

dtypes: float64(7), object(4)

memory usage: 256.4+ KB

6.0.2 Test dataset

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>

RangeIndex: 500 entries, 0 to 499 Data columns (total 11 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	area	500 non-null	object
1	bathrooms	500 non-null	float64
2	beds	500 non-null	float64
3	ber_classification	444 non-null	object
4	latitude	500 non-null	float64
5	longitude	500 non-null	float64
6	no_of_units	0 non-null	float64
7	<pre>property_category</pre>	500 non-null	object
8	<pre>property_type</pre>	500 non-null	object
9	surface	500 non-null	float64
10	cost	500 non-null	float64

dtypes: float64(7), object(4)

memory usage: 43.1+ KB

6.1 Commentary:

We get a count of missing data for the following columns that will require treatment:

- bathrooms data: 51 (1.74%)
- beds data: 51 (1.74%)
- ber_classification data: 677 (23.1%)
- no_of_units data: 2923 (99.73%)
- property_type data: 51 (1.74%)
- surface data: 551 (18.8%)

There is no value for units of data, so we can drop this column. There is different methods we can use to treat the other featuress based on the number of missing values but for simplicity we will delete any row with a missing value.

We will also delete "No of units" as we have no data for this column in the test data set.

```
[126]: #Drop NA columns. Drop no_of_units first as this will delete 99.73% of the rows
      dftrain = dftrain.drop(columns=['no_of_units'])
      dftrain.dropna(inplace=True)
      dftrain.shape
[126]: (2002, 10)
[127]: dftest = dftest.drop(columns=['no_of_units'])
      dftest.dropna(inplace=True)
      dftest.shape
[127]: (444, 10)
     dftest.head(5)
[128]:
                     bathrooms
                                 beds
               area
                                             property_type
                                                            surface
                                                                          cost
                            2.0
                                  4.0
                                                  bungalow
                                                               142.0
                                                                      875000.0
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           Skerries
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      1
              Lucan
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                                  3.0
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              Lucan
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                                                               132.4
                                                                      425000.0
        Clondalkin
                                  3.0
                                            semi-detached
                                                               88.0
                                                                      265000.0
                            1.0
                                       . . .
      [5 rows x 10 columns]
```

7 You could remove registers with 0 bathrooms and 0 bedrooms

```
[129]: #Drop Bathrooms and Beds that are equal to 0
dftrain.drop(dftrain[dftrain.beds == 0].index, inplace=True)
dftrain.drop(dftrain[dftrain.bathrooms == 0].index, inplace=True)
dftrain.shape
[129]: (1989, 10)
```

7.1 Commentary

Before we execute the piecewise regression model on the data, we will examine the data and encode categorical data appropriately.

```
South Circular Road
                                1
      Edenmore
                                1
      Ballybough
                                1
      Islandbridge
                                1
      The Coombe
                                1
      Name: area, Length: 144, dtype: int64
[131]: dftrain['ber_classification'].value_counts()
                               255
[131]: D1
      D2
                               241
      СЗ
                               224
      C2
                               210
      C1
                               182
      E1
                               154
      E2
                               148
      G
                               144
      F
                               135
      ВЗ
                               106
      В2
                                69
      АЗ
                                61
      SINo666of2006exempt
                                23
      A2
                                22
      В1
                                14
      A1
                                 1
      Name: ber_classification, dtype: int64
[132]: dftest['ber_classification'].value_counts()
[132]: D1
                               63
      C2
                               54
      СЗ
                               48
      C1
                               44
      D2
                               43
      G
                               37
      E1
                               33
      F
                               32
      E2
                               28
      ВЗ
                               25
      B2
                               14
      ΑЗ
                                9
      A2
                                6
      SINo666of2006exempt
                                5
                                3
      Name: ber_classification, dtype: int64
[133]: dftrain['property_category'].value_counts()
[133]: sale
                                  1983
                                     6
      new_development_parent
```

```
Name: property_category, dtype: int64
[134]: dftest['property_category'].value_counts()
[134]: sale
      Name: property_category, dtype: int64
     7.2 Commentary:
     We will drop property category because we only have one value which is sale in the test data
     meaning it offers no value.
[135]: dftrain = dftrain.drop(columns=['property_category'])
      dftrain.dropna(inplace=True)
      dftrain.shape
[135]: (1989, 9)
[136]: dftest = dftest.drop(columns=['property_category'])
      dftest.dropna(inplace=True)
      dftest.shape
[136]: (444, 9)
[137]: dftrain['property_type'].value_counts()
[137]: semi-detached
                         554
                         530
      apartment
      terraced
                         339
      detached
                         297
      end-of-terrace
                         153
      bungalow
                          56
      duplex
                          37
      townhouse
                          19
      site
                           3
      studio
                           1
      Name: property_type, dtype: int64
[138]: dftest['property_type'].value_counts()
[138]: semi-detached
                         126
      apartment
                         120
      terraced
                          80
                          64
      detached
      end-of-terrace
                          28
      bungalow
                          12
      duplex
                           8
      townhouse
                           4
      site
                           1
      studio
                           1
      Name: property_type, dtype: int64
```

After analysing the data, we are left with the following columns

[139]: dftrain.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 1989 entries, 15 to 2981
Data columns (total 9 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	area	1989 non-null	object
1	bathrooms	1989 non-null	float64
2	beds	1989 non-null	float64
3	ber_classification	1989 non-null	object
4	latitude	1989 non-null	float64
5	longitude	1989 non-null	float64
6	price	1989 non-null	float64
7	<pre>property_type</pre>	1989 non-null	object
8	surface	1989 non-null	float64
_		4-3	

dtypes: float64(6), object(3)
memory usage: 155.4+ KB

[140]: dftest.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 444 entries, 0 to 499
Data columns (total 9 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	area	444 non-null	object
1	bathrooms	444 non-null	float64
2	beds	444 non-null	float64
3	ber_classification	444 non-null	object
4	latitude	444 non-null	float64
5	longitude	444 non-null	float64
6	<pre>property_type</pre>	444 non-null	object
7	surface	444 non-null	float64
8	cost	444 non-null	float64

dtypes: float64(6), object(3)

memory usage: 34.7+ KB

Create a mapper for the different areas in order to convert to a numeric value. One hot encoding is not suitable as there is 144 distinct areas.

```
replace_map_comp_1 = {'area' : {k: v for k, v in_
       →zip(labels,list(range(1,len(labels)+1)))}}
     dftest.replace(replace_map_comp_1, inplace=True)
[143]: pip install category_encoders
     Requirement already satisfied: category_encoders in /usr/local/lib/python3.7
     /dist-packages (2.2.2)
     Requirement already satisfied: statsmodels>=0.9.0 in /usr/local/lib/python3.7
     /dist-packages (from category_encoders) (0.10.2)
     Requirement already satisfied: numpy>=1.14.0 in /usr/local/lib/python3.7/dist-
     packages (from category_encoders) (1.19.5)
     Requirement already satisfied: scipy>=1.0.0 in /usr/local/lib/python3.7/dist-
     packages (from category_encoders) (1.4.1)
     Requirement already satisfied: patsy>=0.5.1 in /usr/local/lib/python3.7/dist-
     packages (from category_encoders) (0.5.1)
     Requirement already satisfied: pandas>=0.21.1 in /usr/local/lib/python3.7/dist-
     packages (from category encoders) (1.1.5)
     Requirement already satisfied: scikit-learn>=0.20.0 in /usr/local/lib/python3.7
     /dist-packages (from category encoders) (0.22.2.post1)
     Requirement already satisfied: python-dateutil>=2.7.3 in
     /usr/local/lib/python3.7/dist-packages (from pandas>=0.21.1->category_encoders)
     (2.8.2)
     Requirement already satisfied: pytz>=2017.2 in /usr/local/lib/python3.7/dist-
     packages (from pandas>=0.21.1->category_encoders) (2018.9)
     Requirement already satisfied: six in /usr/local/lib/python3.7/dist-packages
     (from patsy>=0.5.1->category_encoders) (1.15.0)
     Requirement already satisfied: joblib>=0.11 in /usr/local/lib/python3.7/dist-
     packages (from scikit-learn>=0.20.0->category_encoders) (1.0.1)
      # create object of Ordinalencoding
```

```
ш
        \hookrightarrow 'C2':7,
        \hookrightarrow 'C3':8,
                                                                                                    ш
        \leftrightarrow 'D1':9,
                                                                                                    ш
        \rightarrow 'D2':10,
        Ш
        \hookrightarrow 'E2':12,
        \hookrightarrow 'F':13,
        \hookrightarrow 'G':14,
                                                                                                    Ш

¬'SINo666of2006exempt':15}}])
[145]: #fit and transform train & test data
       dftrain = encoder.fit_transform(dftrain)
       dftest = encoder.fit_transform(dftest)
[146]: dftrain.shape
[146]: (1989, 9)
[147]: dftest.shape
[147]: (444, 9)
[148]: # One Hot Encoding
       dftrain = pd.get_dummies(dftrain, columns = ["property_type"])
       dftest= pd.get_dummies(dftest, columns = ["property_type"])
[149]: dftrain.head(5)
[149]:
           area bathrooms
                               . . .
                                     property_type_terraced property_type_townhouse
       15
             33
                         3.0
                                                              0
       26
              32
                         4.0
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                                                                                           0
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       27
              33
                         3.0
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              70
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       35
                         5.0
                                                              0
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       38
              26
                         2.0
                                                              0
       [5 rows x 18 columns]
[150]: dftest.head(5)
```

```
[150]:
         area bathrooms
                          ... property_type_terraced property_type_townhouse
          104
                      2.0
      0
                      2.0 ...
      1
           71
                                                      1
                                                                                 0
      2
          108
                      3.0 ...
                                                      0
                                                                                 0
                      4.0 ...
      3
           71
                                                      0
                                                                                 0
           24
                      1.0 ...
                                                      0
                                                                                 0
      [5 rows x 18 columns]
        Reorder the data with price/cost is the last column in the dataset
[151]: columns = []
      for col in dftrain.columns:
          columns.append(col)
      columns.remove("price")
      columns.append("price")
      dftrain = dftrain[columns]
      dftrain.head(5)
[151]:
          area bathrooms
                                 property_type_townhouse
                                                                price
      15
            33
                       3.0
                                                             935000.0
      26
                                                             485000.0
            32
                       4.0
                            . . .
      27
            33
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                       3.0
                                                         0
      35
            70
                                                        0 1475000.0
                       5.0
                                                             410000.0
      38
            26
                       2.0
      [5 rows x 18 columns]
[152]: columns = []
      for col in dftest.columns:
          columns.append(col)
      columns.remove("cost")
      columns.append("cost")
      dftest = dftest[columns]
      dftest.head(5)
[152]:
         area bathrooms
                                property_type_townhouse
                                                               cost
          104
                      2.0
                                                       0 875000.0
      1
           71
                      2.0 ...
                                                          355000.0
                      3.0 ...
                                                       0 440000.0
      2
          108
           71
                      4.0 ...
                                                        0 425000.0
           24
                      1.0 ...
                                                           265000.0
```

[5 rows x 18 columns]

8 Implement a piecewise regression apply a full model first as a baseline

8.1 PIECEWISE REGRESSION

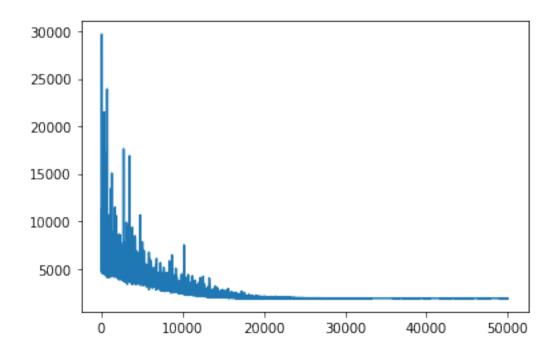
8.1.1 Full Model

```
[153]: # select some features columns just for the baseline model
      # assume not all of the features are informative or useful
      # in this exercise you could try all of them if possible
      # dropna: remove missing values
      df_subset_train = dftrain.dropna(axis=0)
      df_subset_test = dftest.dropna(axis=0)
      # cost
      df_cost = dfcost[dfcost.index.isin(df_subset_test.index)]
[154]: print('Number of nan in df_subset_train dataset: ',df_subset_train.isnull().
      \rightarrowsum().sum())
      print('Number of nan in df_subset_test dataset: ',df_subset_test.isnull().sum().
       \rightarrowsum())
     Number of nan in df_subset_train dataset: 0
     Number of nan in df_subset_test dataset: 0
[155]: # train set, input columns
      Xs_train = df_subset_train.iloc[:,0:-1].values
      # train set, output column, price (cost)
      ys_train = df_subset_train.iloc[:,-1].values.reshape(-1,1)
      # test set, input columns
      Xs test = df subset test.iloc[:,0:].values
      # test set, output column, price (cost)
      y_test = df_cost.cost.values
[156]: # StandardScaler() will normalize the features i.e. each column of X,
      # so, each column/feature/variable will have = 0 and = 1
      sc = StandardScaler()
      Xss_train = np.hstack([Xs_train,Xs_train[:,[2]]**2])
      xscaler = sc.fit(Xss_train)
      Xn_train = xscaler.transform(Xss_train)
      Xss_test = Xs_test.copy()
      xscaler = sc.fit(Xss_test)
      Xn_test = xscaler.transform(Xss_test)
      ylog = np.log(ys_train.astype('float'))
      yscaler = StandardScaler().fit(ylog)
```

```
yn_train = yscaler.transform(ylog)
```

9 Follow the guidelines from the example provided

```
[157]: # model
      with pm.Model() as model:
          #prior over the parameters of linear regression
          alpha = pm.Normal('alpha', mu=0, sigma=30)
          #we have one beta for each column of Xn
          beta = pm.Normal('beta', mu=0, sigma=30, shape=Xn_train.shape[1])
          #prior over the variance of the noise
          sigma = pm.HalfCauchy('sigma_n', 5)
          #linear regression model in matrix form
          mu = alpha + pm.math.dot(beta, Xn_train.T)
          #likelihood, be sure that observed is a 1d vector
          like = pm.Normal('like', mu=mu, sigma=sigma, observed=yn_train[:,0])
[158]: #number of iterations of the algorithms
      iter = 50000
      # run the model
      with model:
          approximation = pm.fit(iter,method='advi')
      # check the convergence
      plt.plot(approximation.hist);
     <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
     Finished [100%]: Average Loss = 1,888.6
```



10 Select longitude and latitude to create clusters

10.1 Clustering

10.1.1 Full Model

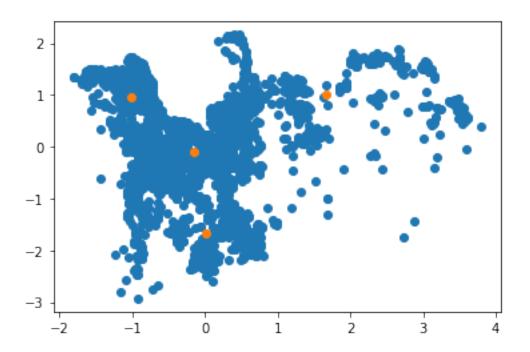
```
[161]: # training gaussian mixture model
from sklearn.mixture import GaussianMixture

gmm = GaussianMixture(n_components=4)

# Features longitude and latitude.
ind=[4,5]
```

```
X_ind = np.vstack([Xn_train[:,ind],Xn_test[:,ind]])
# Gaussian Mixture
gmm.fit(X_ind)
# plot blue dots
plt.scatter(X_ind[:,0],X_ind[:,1])
# centroids: orange dots
plt.scatter(gmm.means_[:,0],gmm.means_[:,1])
```

[161]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x7f24036b4390>



11 Use the number of clusters you model returns

We get four clusters returned.

11.0.1 Clusters

```
[162]: # train clusters
    clusters_train = gmm.predict(Xn_train[:,ind])
    unique_train, counts_train = np.unique(clusters_train, return_counts=True)
    dict(zip(unique_train, counts_train))
[162]: {0: 313, 1: 353, 2: 298, 3: 1025}
[163]: # test clusters
    clusters_test = gmm.predict(Xn_test[:,ind])
    unique_test, counts_test = np.unique(clusters_test, return_counts=True)
```

```
dict(zip(unique_test, counts_test))
[163]: {0: 60, 1: 76, 2: 60, 3: 248}
[164]: # cluster 0
      Xn0 = Xn_train[clusters_train==0,:]
      Xtestn0 = Xn_test[clusters_test==0,:]
      ylog0 = np.log(ys_train.astype('float')[clusters_train==0,:])
      yscaler0 = StandardScaler().fit(ylog0)
      yn0 = yscaler0.transform(ylog0)
[165]: # cluster 1
      Xn1 = Xn_train[clusters_train==1,:]
      Xtestn1 = Xn_test[clusters_test==1,:]
      ylog1 = np.log(ys_train.astype('float')[clusters_train==1,:])
      yscaler1 = StandardScaler().fit(ylog1)
      yn1 = yscaler1.transform(ylog1)
[166]: # cluster 2
      Xn2 = Xn_train[clusters_train==2,:]
      Xtestn2 = Xn_test[clusters_test==2,:]
      ylog2 = np.log(ys_train.astype('float')[clusters_train==2,:])
      yscaler2 = StandardScaler().fit(ylog2)
      yn2 = yscaler2.transform(ylog2)
[167]: # cluster 3
      Xn3 = Xn_train[clusters_train==3,:]
      Xtestn3 = Xn test[clusters test==3,:]
      ylog3 = np.log(ys_train.astype('float')[clusters_train==3,:])
      yscaler3 = StandardScaler().fit(ylog3)
      yn3 = yscaler3.transform(ylog3)
```

12 Apply a model to each cluster

12.1 Piecewise Model

```
[92]: # model_0
with pm.Model() as model_0:
    # prior over the parameters of linear regression
    alpha = pm.Normal('alpha', mu=0, sigma=30)
    # we have a beta for each column of Xn0
    beta = pm.Normal('beta', mu=0, sigma=30, shape=Xn0.shape[1])
    # prior over the variance of the noise
    sigma = pm.HalfCauchy('sigma_n', 5)
    # linear regression relationship
    #linear regression model in matrix form
    mu = alpha + pm.math.dot(beta, Xn0.T)
    # likelihood, be sure that observed is a 1d vector
    like = pm.Normal('like', mu=mu, sigma=sigma, observed=yn0[:,0])
```

```
with model_0:
        # iterations of the algorithm
        approximation = pm.fit(40000,method='advi')
      posterior0 = approximation.sample(5000)
     <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
     Finished [100%]: Average Loss = 428.11
[168]: # model_1
      with pm.Model() as model_1:
        # prior over the parameters of linear regression
        alpha = pm.Normal('alpha', mu=0, sigma=30)
        # we have a beta for each column of Xn
       beta = pm.Normal('beta', mu=0, sigma=30, shape=Xn1.shape[1])
        # prior over the variance of the noise
        sigma = pm.HalfCauchy('sigma_n', 5)
        # linear regression relationship
        #linear regression model in matrix form
       mu = alpha + pm.math.dot(beta, Xn1.T)
        # likelihood, #
       like = pm.Normal('like', mu=mu, sigma=sigma, observed=yn1[:,0])
      with model 1:
        # iterations of the algorithm
        approximation = pm.fit(40000,method='advi')
      # samples from the posterior
      posterior1 = approximation.sample(5000)
     <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
     Finished [100%]: Average Loss = 349.97
[169]: # model_2
      with pm.Model() as model_2:
        # prior over the parameters of linear regression
        alpha = pm.Normal('alpha', mu=0, sigma=30)
        # we have a beta for each column of Xn
       beta = pm.Normal('beta', mu=0, sigma=30, shape=Xn2.shape[1])
        # prior over the variance of the noise
        sigma = pm.HalfCauchy('sigma_n', 5)
        # linear regression relationship
```

```
# linear regression model in matrix form
        mu = alpha + pm.math.dot(beta, Xn2.T)
        # likelihood, be sure that observed is a 1d vector
        like = pm.Normal('like', mu=mu, sigma=sigma, observed=yn2[:,0])
      with model_2:
        # iterations of the algorithms
        approximation = pm.fit(40000,method='advi')
      # samples from the posterior
      posterior2 = approximation.sample(5000)
     <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
     Finished [100%]: Average Loss = 297.43
[170]: # model_3
      with pm.Model() as model3:
        # prior over the parameters of linear regression
        alpha = pm.Normal('alpha', mu=0, sigma=30)
        # we have a beta for each column of Xn
       beta = pm.Normal('beta', mu=0, sigma=30, shape=Xn3.shape[1])
        # prior over the variance of the noise
        sigma = pm.HalfCauchy('sigma_n', 5)
        # linear regression relationship
       mu = alpha + pm.math.dot(beta, Xn3.T)#linear regression model in matrix form
        # likelihood, be sure that observed is a 1d vector
       like = pm.Normal('like', mu=mu, sigma=sigma, observed=yn3[:,0])
      with model3:
        # number of iterations of the algorithms
        approximation = pm.fit(40000,method='advi')
      # samples from the posterior
      posterior3 = approximation.sample(5000)
     <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
     Finished [100\%]: Average Loss = 1,024.2
[171]: # Posterior predictive checks (PPCs)
      def ppc(alpha,beta,sigma, X, nsamples=500):
          #we select nsamples random samples from the posterior
          ind = np.random.randint(0,beta.shape[0],size=nsamples)
          alphai = alpha[ind]
```

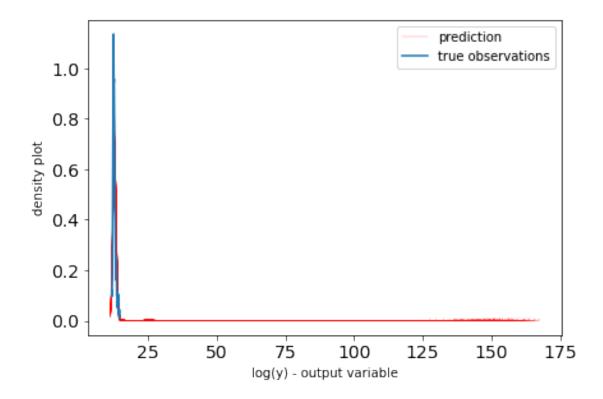
```
betai = beta[ind,:]
sigmai = sigma[ind]

Ypred = np.zeros((nsamples, X.shape[0]))
for i in range(X.shape[0]):
    #we generate data from linear model
    y_pred = alphai + np.dot(betai, X[i:i+1,:].T).T +np.random.

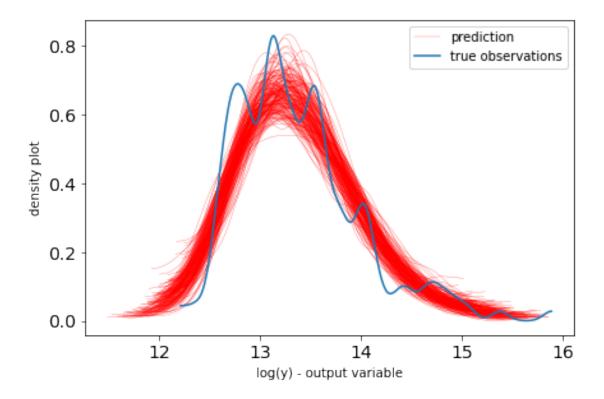
randn(len(sigmai))*sigmai
    Ypred[:,i]=y_pred[0,:]
return Ypred
```

12.2 Simulations

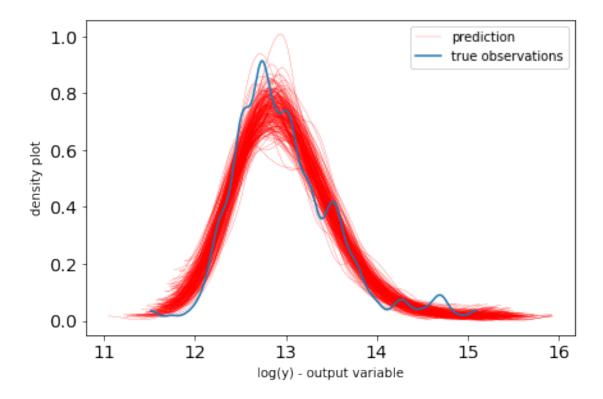
12.2.1 Only Cluster 0



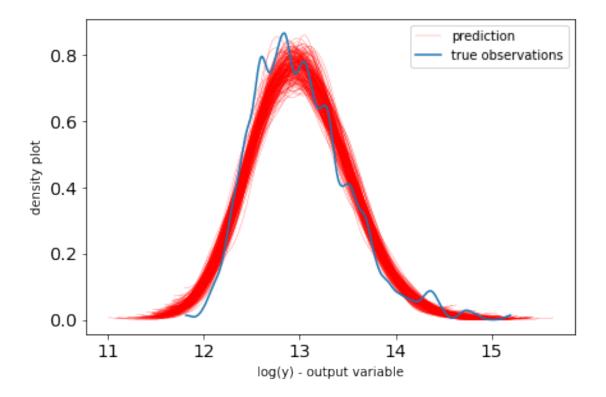
12.2.2 Only Cluster 1



12.2.3 Only Cluster 2

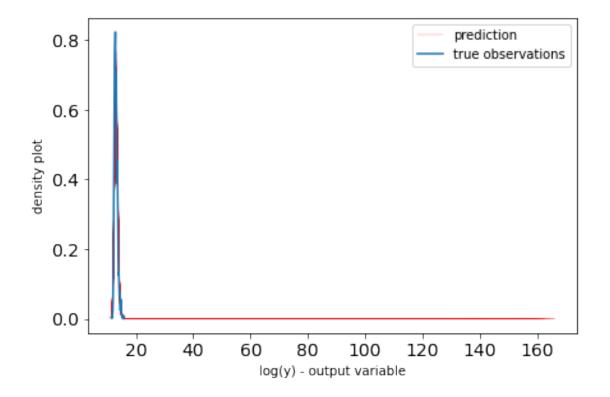


12.2.4 Only Cluster 3



12.3 Overall

```
[176]: # posteriors
      Ypred0 = ppc(posterior0['alpha'],posterior0['beta'],posterior0['sigma_n'],Xn0, _
       →nsamples=200)
      Ypred1 = ppc(posterior1['alpha'],posterior1['beta'],posterior1['sigma_n'],Xn1, _
       \rightarrownsamples=200)
      Ypred2 = ppc(posterior2['alpha'],posterior2['beta'],posterior2['sigma_n'],Xn2, __
       →nsamples=200)
      Ypred3 = ppc(posterior3['alpha'],posterior3['beta'],posterior3['sigma_n'],Xn3, __
       →nsamples=200)
      # simulation
      Ypred = np.hstack([ yscaler0.inverse_transform(Ypred0),
                       yscaler1.inverse_transform(Ypred1),
                       yscaler2.inverse_transform(Ypred2),
                       yscaler3.inverse_transform(Ypred3)])
      # prediction
      for i in range(Ypred.shape[0]):
          az.plot_dist( Ypred[i,:],color='r',plot_kwargs={"linewidth": 0.2})
```



12.4 Test set performance

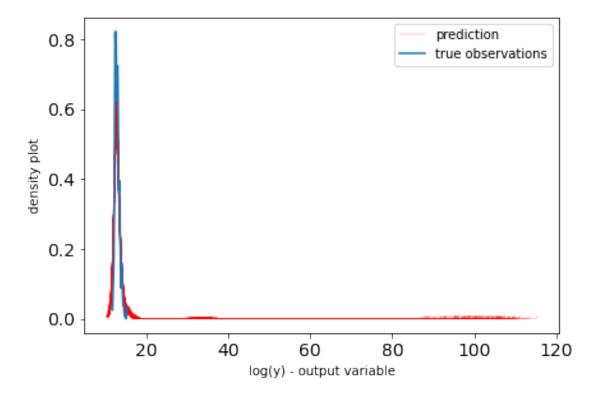
```
# cluster 2
y_pred_BLR2 = np.exp(yscaler2.inverse_transform(np.mean(posterior2['alpha'])
              + np.dot(np.mean(posterior2['beta'],axis=0), Xtestn2.T)))
print("Size Cluster2", np.sum(clusters_test==2), ", MAE Cluster2=",
      (np.mean(abs(y_pred_BLR2 - y_test[clusters_test==2]))))
# cluster 3
y_pred_BLR3 = np.exp(yscaler3.inverse_transform(np.mean(posterior3['alpha'])
              + np.dot(np.mean(posterior3['beta'],axis=0), Xtestn3.T)))
print("Size Cluster3", np.sum(clusters_test==3), ", MAE Cluster3=",
      (np.mean(abs(y_pred_BLR3 - y_test[clusters_test==3]))))
# joint
joint=np.hstack([abs(y_pred_BLR0 - y_test[clusters_test==0]),
                 abs(y_pred_BLR1 - y_test[clusters_test==1]),
                 abs(y_pred_BLR2 - y_test[clusters_test==2]),
                 abs(y_pred_BLR3 - y_test[clusters_test==3])])
# MAE
print("MAE=",np.mean(joint))
```

```
Size Cluster0 60 , MAE Cluster0= 382594.80064418743
Size Cluster1 76 , MAE Cluster1= 1357905.5542830091
Size Cluster2 60 , MAE Cluster2= 1.2659358324016066e+42
Size Cluster3 248 , MAE Cluster3= 201966.42922866103
MAE= 1.710724097840009e+41
```

12.4.1 PPC on the Test set

```
[178]: ## Posterior predictive checks (PPCs)

num_samples2 = 200
Ypred0 =_______ppc(posterior0['alpha'],posterior0['beta'],posterior0['sigma_n'],Xtestn0,_______nsamples=num_samples2)
Ypred1 =_______ppc(posterior1['alpha'],posterior1['beta'],posterior1['sigma_n'],Xtestn1,_______nsamples=num_samples2)
Ypred2 =_______ppc(posterior2['alpha'],posterior2['beta'],posterior2['sigma_n'],Xtestn2,________nsamples=num_samples2)
Ypred3 =_______ppc(posterior3['alpha'],posterior3['beta'],posterior3['sigma_n'],Xtestn3,_______nsamples=num_samples2)
# Stack arrays in sequence horizontally (column wise)
```



13 SUMMARY

After analysing the data, I choose the following features:

• area (categorical)

- bathrooms (numeric)
- beds (numeric)
- BER classification (categorical)
- latitude (numeric)
- longitude (numeric)
- property type (categorical)
- surface (numeric)

The following columns were removed for the associated reasons:

- ad id: just an index and does not offer anything useful
- county: there is only one county which is Dublin
- description block: free text, won't give specific details and subjective
- environment: only contains one value
- facility: Free text, won't give specific details and subjective
- features: Free text, won't give specific details and subjective
- no of units: 99.73% of the data was missing
- property category: there was only two values in the training data and one value in the test set

After removing the non-useful columns, I deleted all the rows that contained N/A's as this was the most straightforward method giving the limited time, I had to implement the solution. I also deleted rows that had zero bedrooms or bathrooms as recommended in the instructions.

The final step before implement the model was to encode the categorical data. I used a mapper taken from Pathak, (2020) to encode area as there was 144 distinct areas so one-hot encoding did not seem suitable. I used ordinal encoding Saxena, (2020) for BER which worked well and I used one-hot encoding for property type.

For the non-piecewise and the piecewise regression, we will use the eight features mentioned above after the data exploration exercise. For the initial non-piecewise baseline model, we get the following results:

- Mean Absolute Error (MAE) = 217863.285917549
- Mean Absolute Percentage Error (MAPE) = 0.3498213635533009
- Average Loss: 1,888.6

I then choose longitude and latitude as the clusters in the gaussian mixture model as per the instructions and the model returned the 4 clusters. I then ran the model on each cluster and got the following results:

Test Set Performance:

- Cluster 0 Size 60, MAE Cluster 0 = 382594.80064418743, Loss = 428.11
- Cluster 1 Size 76, MAE Cluster 1 = 1357905.5542830091, Loss = 349.97
- Cluster 2 Size 60, MAE Cluster 2 = 1.2659358324016066, Loss = 297.43
- Cluster 3 Size 248, MAE Cluster 3 = 201966.42922866103 Loss = 1,024.2
- Joint MAE= 1.710724097840009

We see varied results across the different clusters with a particularly low MAE for cluster 2 (1.2659) and the joint MAE 1.710 vs 217863.285 for the full model meaning that the segmented piecewise model performs better than the full model. I can see this through several runs which

gave a more consistent result across the different clusters although this final run gives us some contrary results for the different clusters for example cluster 1 which returns an MAE of 1357905.554. Piecewise regression uses a set of locally linear line segments that can model any complex, nonlinear function therefore striking a balance between both short term interpretability and long term flexibility simultaneously (Poh et al., 2017).

From this experiment, I conclude that piecewise regression is a very useful algorithm especially for data of this nature. This allows us to partition the independent variables giving us more nuanced insight into the relationship between the dependent variable and multivariate independent data. This type of method could also be useful for time series analyse which is part of my dissertation. According to Wagner et al., (2002), segmented regression analysis is a effective statistical method for valuing intervention effects in time series studies.

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[181]: %%capture

!wget -nc https://raw.githubusercontent.com/brpy/colab-pdf/master/colab_pdf.py
from colab_pdf import colab_pdf
colab_pdf('ET5003_Etivity2/ET5003_Etivity2_Stephen_Quirke_20172257.ipynb')
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