# Module 7: Beyond Linear TMA4268 Statistical learning

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#### Overview

- **Polynomial regression** uses powers of X.
- ▶ **Step functions** are piece-wise constant.
- Regression splines are regional polynomials joined smoothly.
- Smoothing splines are smooth functions.
- ▶ **Local regressions** are splines with overlapping regions.
- Additive models combines models.

# Multiple linear regression

$$y_i=\beta_0+\beta_1x_{i1}+\beta_2x_{i2}+\dots\beta_kx_{ik}+\varepsilon_i,$$
 or equivalently

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\beta + \varepsilon =$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1k} \\ 1 & x_{21} & x_{22} & \dots & x_{2k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_{n1} & x_{n2} & \dots & x_{nk} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_k \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

#### **Estimation**

The OLS estimator for  $\beta$  is

$$\hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}^\mathsf{T} \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^\mathsf{T} \mathbf{y}.$$

We will now change  $\mathbf{X}$  as we like, but keep  $\hat{\beta}$ .

#### Non-Linear Models

Let us focus on **one** explanatory variable X. Some possible models are

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \varepsilon_i,$$
  

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i^2 + \varepsilon_i,$$
  

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \beta_2 x_i^2 + \varepsilon_i.$$

All these are on the form

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 b_1(x_i) + \beta_2 b_2(x_i) + \dots + \beta_k b_k(x_i) + \varepsilon_i,$$

where  $b_j(x_i)$  are **basis functions**. For example, let  $b_1(x_i) = x_i$  and  $b_2(x_i) = x_i^2$ . Then the third model is

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 b_1(x_i) + \beta_2 b_2(x_i) + \varepsilon_i.$$

## General Design Matrix

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b_1(x_1) & b_2(x_1) & \dots & b_k(x_1) \\ 1 & b_1(x_2) & b_2(x_2) & \dots & b_k(x_2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & b_1(x_n) & b_2(x_n) & \dots & b_k(x_n) \end{pmatrix}.$$

- Rows are observations
- Columns are basis functions
- Same setup as for multiple linear regression

# Example with $y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \beta_2 x_i^2 + \varepsilon_i$

We have

$$b_1(X) = X,$$
  
 $b_2(X) = X^2,$   
 $\mathbf{x} = (6, 3, 6, 8)^T,$   
 $\mathbf{y} = (3, -2, 5, 10)^T.$ 

This results in

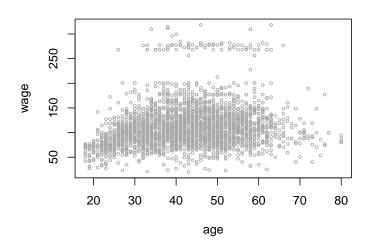
$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b_1(x_1) & b_2(x_1) \\ 1 & b_1(x_2) & b_2(x_2) \\ 1 & b_1(x_3) & b_2(x_3) \\ 1 & b_1(x_4) & b_2(x_4) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 \\ 1 & x_2 & x_2^2 \\ 1 & x_3 & x_3^2 \\ 1 & x_4 & x_4^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 6 & 36 \\ 1 & 3 & 9 \\ 1 & 6 & 36 \\ 1 & 8 & 64 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{y} = (-4.4, 0.2, 0.2)^{\mathsf{T}}.$$

## The Aim

#### **Observations**



Use lm(wage ~ X) and choose **X** according to method.

## Polynomial Regression

The polynomial regression includes powers of X in the regression. This is

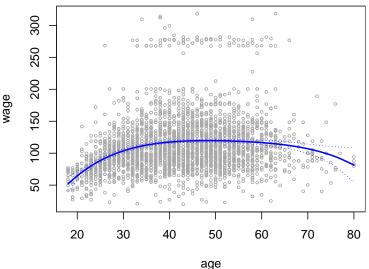
$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \beta_2 x_i^2 + \dots \beta_k x_i^d + \varepsilon_i,$$

- ▶ In practice  $d \le 4$
- ► The basis is  $b_j(x_i) = x_i^j$  for  $j = 1, 2 \dots, d$

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 & \dots & x_1^d \\ 1 & x_2 & x_2^2 & \dots & x_2^d \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_n & x_n^2 & \dots & x_n^d \end{pmatrix}.$$

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fit = lm(wage ~ poly(age,4))
Plot(fit, main = "Polynomial Regression")
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#### **Polynomial Regression**



## Step Functions

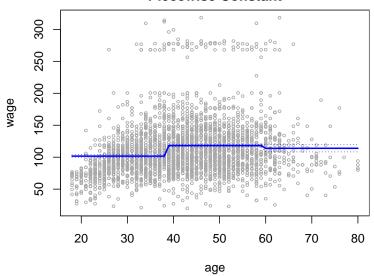
- Divide age into bins
- Model wage as a constant in each bin
- ightharpoonup The basis functions indicate which bin  $x_i$  belongs to
- ightharpoonup Cutpoints  $c_1, c_2, \ldots, c_K$

$$b_j(x_i) = I(c_j \leq x_i < c_{j+1})$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & I(c_1 \leq x_1 < c_2) & I(c_2 \leq x_1 < c_3) & \dots & I(c_K \leq x_1) \\ 1 & I(c_1 \leq x_2 < c_2) & I(c_2 \leq x_2 < c_3) & \dots & I(c_K \leq x_2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & I(c_1 \leq x_n < c_2) & I(c_2 \leq x_n < c_3) & \dots & I(c_K \leq x_n) \end{pmatrix}.$$

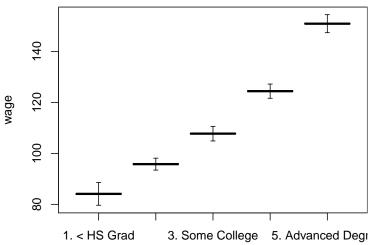
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fit = lm(wage ~ cut(age,3))
Plot(fit, main = "Piecewise Constant")
```

#### **Piecewise Constant**



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fit = lm(wage ~ education)
Plot(fit, main = "Piecewise Constant")
```





## Regression Splines

- Combination of polynomials and step functions
- $\blacktriangleright$  Knots  $c_1, c_2, \ldots, c_K$
- ▶ Continous derivatives up to order M-2, also in the knots

An order-M spline with K knots has the basis

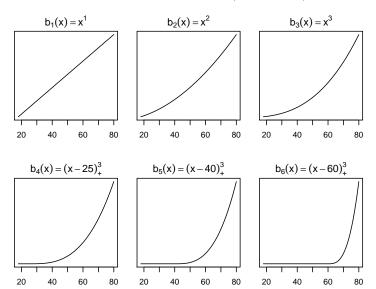
$$b_j(x_i) = x_i^j$$
 ,  $j = 1, ..., M-1$   
 $b_{M-1+k}(x_i) = (x_i - c_k)_+^{M-1}$  ,  $k = 1, ..., K$ ,

where

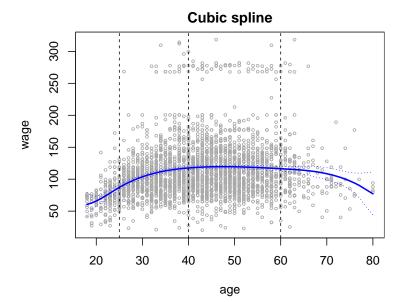
$$(x-c_j)_+^{M-1} = \begin{cases} (x-c_j)^{M-1} & , x > c_j \\ 0 & , \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

## **Cubic Splines**

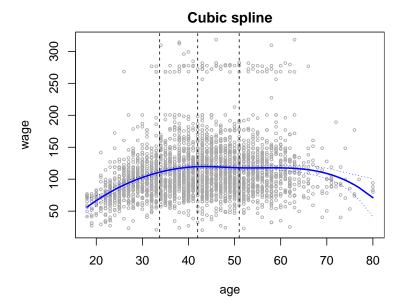
- ightharpoonup A spline with M=4 is cubic
- ► The basis is  $X, X^2, X^3, (X c_1)_+^3, (X c_2)_+^3, \dots, (X c_K)_+^3$



```
fit = lm(wage ~ bs(age, knots = c(25,40,60)))
Plot(fit, main = "Cubic spline")
```



```
fit = lm(wage ~ bs(age, df = 6))
Plot(fit, main = "Cubic spline")
```



## Natural Cubic Splines

- Cubic spline that is linear at the ends
- ► The idea is to reduce variance
- ▶ Straight line outside  $c_0 = 18$  and  $c_{K+1} = 80$
- We call these points boundary knots

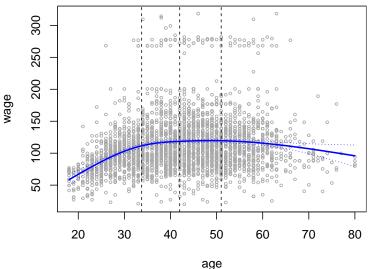
The basis is

$$b_1(x_i) = x_i, \quad b_{k+2}(x_i) = d_k(x_i) - d_K(x_i), \ k = 0, \dots, K - 1,$$

$$d_k(x_i) = \frac{(x_i - c_k)_+^3 - (x_i - c_{K+1})_+^3}{c_{K+1} - c_k}.$$

```
fit = lm(wage ~ ns(age, df = 4))
Plot(fit, main = "Natural Cubic Spline")
```





## Recap

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}.$$

- Non-linear methods, but linear regression.
- ▶ Each method defined by a basis,  $\mathbf{X}_{ij} = b_j(x_i)$ .
- And simply  $\hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{y}$
- ▶ We will now move from  $\mathbf{X}\beta$  to f(X)

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{f}(X) + \varepsilon.$$

## **Smoothing Splines**

- Different idea than regression splines
- Minimize the prediction error
- Bias-variance approach

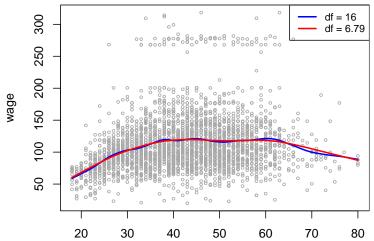
A smoothing spline is the function f that minimizes

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - f(x_i))^2 + \lambda \int f''(t)^2 dt.$$

- ▶ What happens as  $\lambda \to \infty$ ?
- ▶ What happens as  $\lambda \to 0$ ?

```
fit = smooth.spline(age, wage, df = 16)
Plot(fit, main = "Smoothing Splines")
fit = smooth.spline(age, wage, cv = T)
Plot(fit, legend = 16)
```

## **Smoothing Splines**



#### The Smoother Matrix

The fitted values are

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{y}$$
.

The effective degrees of freedom is

$$\mathrm{df}_{\lambda}=\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{S}).$$

The leave-one-out cross-validation error is

$$RSS_{cv}(\lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( \frac{y_i - \hat{y}_i}{1 - \mathbf{S}_{ii}} \right)^2.$$

## Local Regression

- Smoothed k-nearest neighbor algorithm
- $\triangleright$  Run for each  $x_0$
- ▶ Draw a line  $\beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \beta_2 x^2$  through neighborhood
- Close observations are weighted more heavily
- ► The fitted value is  $\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_0 + \hat{\beta}_2 x_0^2$

Finding the  $\hat{eta}_0$  ,  $\hat{eta}_1$  and  $\hat{eta}_2$  that minimize

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{i0}(y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i - \beta_2 x_i^2)^2,$$

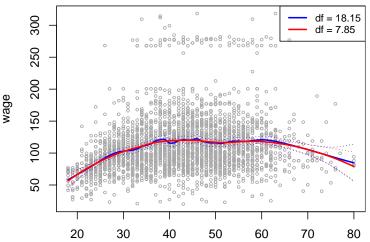
where

$$K_{i0} = \left(1 - \left|\frac{x_0 - x_i}{x_0 - x_\kappa}\right|^3\right)_{\perp}^3.$$

What are  $K_{i0}$ ,  $\beta_1$  and  $\beta_2$  for k-NN?

```
fit = loess(wage ~ age, span = .2)
Plot(fit, main = "Local Regression")
Plot(loess(wage ~ age, span=.5),legend=fit$trace.hat)
```

#### **Local Regression**



#### Additive Models

Combines the models we have discussed so far. For example

$$y_i = f_1(x_{i1}) + f_2(x_{i2}) + \varepsilon_i$$
  
=  $f(x_i) + \varepsilon_i$ .

If each component is on the form  $X\beta$ , so is f.

## Component 1

- ightharpoonup Cubic spline with  $X_1 = age$
- ► Knots at 40 and 60

The design matrix when excluding the intercept is

$$\mathbf{X}_{1} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{11}^{2} & x_{11}^{3} & (x_{11} - 40)_{+}^{3} & (x_{11} - 60)_{+}^{3} \\ x_{21} & x_{21}^{2} & x_{21}^{3} & (x_{21} - 40)_{+}^{3} & (x_{21} - 60)_{+}^{3} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ x_{n1} & x_{n1}^{2} & x_{n1}^{3} & (x_{n1} - 40)_{+}^{3} & (x_{n1} - 60)_{+}^{3} \end{pmatrix}.$$

## Component 2

- Natural spline with  $X_2 = year$
- ▶ Knot at  $c_1 = 2006$
- ▶ Boundary knots at  $c_0 = 2003$  and  $c_2 = 2009$

The design matrix when excluding the intercept is

$$\mathbf{X}_{2} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{12} & \left[ \frac{1}{6} (x_{12} - 2003)^{3} - \frac{1}{3} (x_{12} - 2006)^{3}_{+} \right] \\ x_{22} & \left[ \frac{1}{6} (x_{22} - 2003)^{3} - \frac{1}{3} (x_{22} - 2006)^{3}_{+} \right] \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ x_{n2} & \left[ \frac{1}{6} (x_{n2} - 2003)^{3} - \frac{1}{3} (x_{n2} - 2006)^{3}_{+} \right] \end{pmatrix}.$$

## Component 3

- Factor  $X_3 =$ education
- ► Levels < HS Grad, HS Grad (HSG) , Some College (SC) , College Grad (CG) and Advanced Degree (AD)
- Dummy variable coding

The design matrix when excluding the intercept is

$$\mathbf{X}_{3} = \begin{pmatrix} I(x_{13} = \mathrm{HSG}) & I(x_{13} = \mathrm{SC}) & I(x_{13} = \mathrm{CG}) & I(x_{13} = \mathrm{AD}) \\ I(x_{23} = \mathrm{HSG}) & I(x_{23} = \mathrm{SC}) & I(x_{23} = \mathrm{CG}) & I(x_{23} = \mathrm{AD}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ I(x_{n3} = \mathrm{HSG}) & I(x_{n3} = \mathrm{SC}) & I(x_{n3} = \mathrm{CG}) & I(x_{n3} = \mathrm{AD}) \end{pmatrix}.$$

#### Additive Model

Combine the components to

$$\mathbf{y}_i = f_1(x_{i1}) + f_2(x_{i2}) + f_3(x_{i3}) + \varepsilon_i.$$

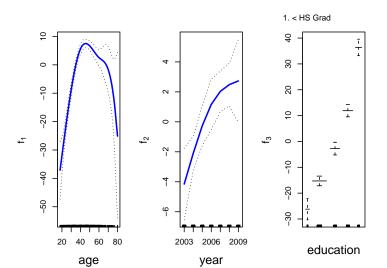
Since each component is linear, we can write

$$\mathbf{y}=\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}+\boldsymbol{\varepsilon},$$

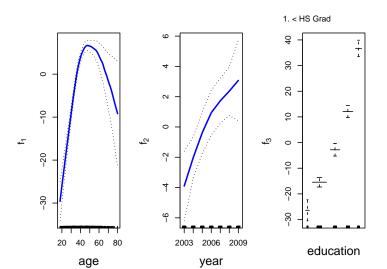
where

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{X}_1 & \mathbf{X}_2 & \mathbf{X}_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

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## Qualitative Responses

- Logistic regression
- Y = 0 or Y = 1
- $p(X) = \Pr(Y = 1|X)$

The generalized logistic regression model is

$$\log\left(\frac{p(X)}{1-p(X)}\right)=f(X).$$

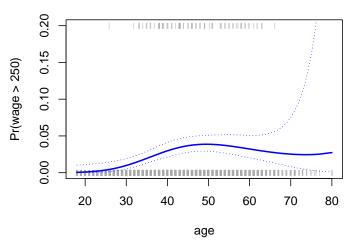
Choose f from the methods we have learned.

# Polynomial Logistic Regression

With degree 4 we have

$$\log\left(\frac{p(X_1)}{1-p(X_1)}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_1^2 + \beta_3 X_1^3 + \beta_4 X_1^4.$$

#### **Polynomial**

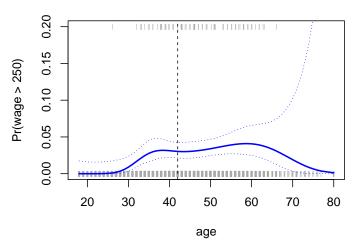


# Cubic Spline Logistic Regression

- ► A cubic spline in age
- ► Knot at 42

$$\log\left(\frac{p(X_1)}{1-p(X_1)}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_1^2 + \beta_3 X_1^3 + \beta_4 (X_1 - 42)_+^3.$$

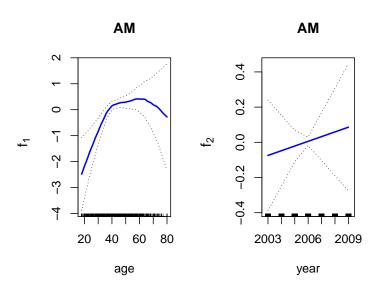
#### **Cubic spline**



## **GAM**

- $ightharpoonup f_1$  is a local regression in age
- ▶ f<sub>2</sub> is a simple linear regression in year

$$\log\left(\frac{p(X_1,X_2)}{1-p(X_1,X_2)}\right) = \beta_0 + f_1(X_1) + f_2(X_2).$$



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