mui_240a2_pset2_ipynb

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1 Problem Set #2, Preston Mui

2 Calorie Demand

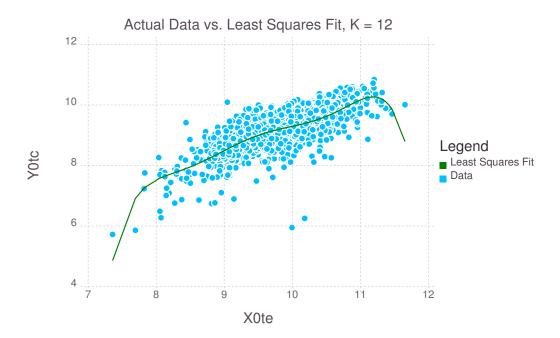
end;

Let W_i denote the $K \times 1$ vector of orthonormal basis functions for household i. Compute the Least Squares Fit:

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In [21]: # MLE Estimate of basis function coefficients W = GSO(X)
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theta = W'*Y / length(W)[1]
m = W * theta
plot(layer(x=X[:,2], y=m, Geom.line,Theme(default_color=colorant"green")),
    layer(x=X[:,2], y=Y, Geom.point),
    Guide.XLabel("XOte"),
    Guide.YLabel("YOtc"),
    Guide.Title("Actual Data vs. Least Squares Fit, K = $K"),
    Guide.manual_color_key("Legend",["Least Squares Fit","Data"],["green","deepskyblue"]))
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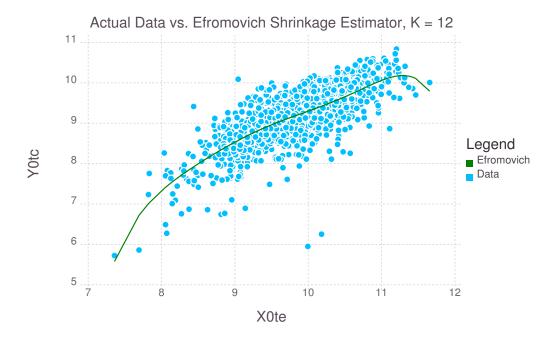
Out[21]:



3 Using the shrinkage estimator, estimate $m(X_i)$. Plot this on the unsmoothed data.

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plot(layer(x=X[:,2], y=muse, Geom.line,Theme(default_color=colorant"green")),
    layer(x=X[:,2], y=Y, Geom.point),
    Guide.XLabel("X0te"),
    Guide.YLabel("Y0tc"),
    Guide.Title("Actual Data vs. Efromovich Shrinkage Estimator, K = $K"),
    Guide.manual_color_key("Legend",["Efromovich","Data"],["green","deepskyblue"]))
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Out [22]:



Comments: The Efromovich Shrinkage Estimator is a smoother version of the Maximum Likelihood Estimator. Notably, the line does not curve down as much on the tails.

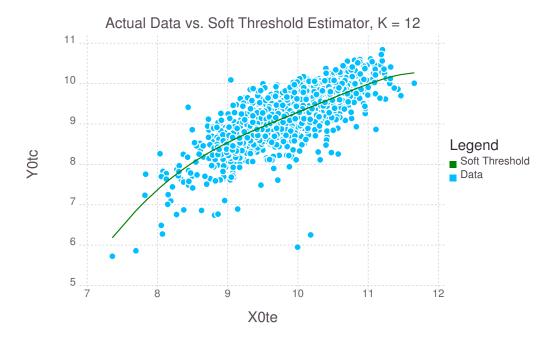
4 Compute the Soft Threshold Estimate Consider the SURE Risk of the soft threshold estimator θ_k . Say, without loss of generality, that the Z_k are ordered such that $|Z_1| \leq |Z_2| \leq \cdots \leq |Z_K|$. Then, say that $\lambda \in [Z_m, Z_{m+1})$ for some $m \in 1, \dots, K$. Then,

$$\hat{R}_{SURE} = K \frac{\sigma^2}{N} - 2m \frac{\sigma^2}{N} + \sum_{k=1}^{m} Z_k^2 + (K - m)\lambda^2$$

This is increasing in λ on this interval, so the risk-minimizing choice of λ on this interval is $\lambda = |Z_m|$. So, to minimize risk, I will iterate through $m = 1, \dots, K$ and compare estimates of risk for $\lambda = Z_m$ for each m.

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In [23]: # Function to calculate RSURE of Wasserman Soft Threshold using the MLE's of Z and Sigma
function risk_wasserman(Z::Array{Float64,1}, lambda::Float64, var::Float64, N::Int64)
        K = length(Z)
        risk = K * var / N
        for k = 1:length(Z)
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if abs(Z[k]) <= lambda</pre>
            risk += Z[k]^2 - 2 * var / N
            risk += lambda^2
        end
   end
   return risk
end
# Create Wasserman Soft Threshold
function wasserman(Z::Array{Float64,1}, var::Float64, N::Int64)
    # Find lambda to minimize risk
   lambda_choices = sort(abs(Z))
   risks = similar(Z)
   for m = 1:K
        risks[m] = risk_wasserman(Z,lambda_choices[m],var,N)
   lambda = lambda_choices[findmin(risks)[2]]
   # Create Wasserman estimator
   theta_w = similar(Z)
   for k = 1:length(Z)
        theta_w[k] = sign(Z[k]) * (abs(Z[k]) - lambda) * (abs(Z[k]) > lambda)
   end
   return theta_w
end
# Plot the Soft Threshold Estimator on the Data
msoft = W*wasserman(theta,sigma2,length(Y))
plot(layer(x=X[:,2], y=msoft, Geom.line,Theme(default_color=colorant"green")),
   layer(x=X[:,2], y=Y, Geom.point),
   Guide.XLabel("X0te"),
   Guide.YLabel("Y0tc"),
   Guide.Title("Actual Data vs. Soft Threshold Estimator, K = $K"),
   Guide.manual_color_key("Legend",["Soft Threshold","Data"],["green","deepskyblue"]))
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2.1 Income and Geography

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In [24]: # Code to read in the data
    hjfile = open("HallJones400.asc")
    hjdata = readlines(hjfile)

# Read in logYL and Latitude, skipping any observation that is
logYL = Array(Float64,0)
latitude = Array(Float64,0)
for line = 210:361
    if isnan(parse(Float64,hjdata[line][46:54]))
        continue
    end
    push!(logYL,parse(Float64,hjdata[line][46:54]))
    push!(latitude,parse(Float64,hjdata[line][196:203]))
end
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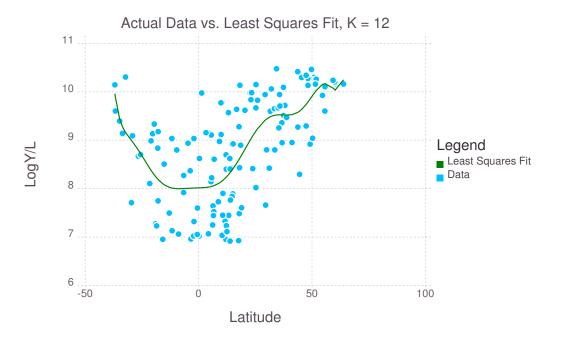
2 Using the power series basis, construct an Orthogonal Basis

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In [25]: # Construct the basis vectors
    K = 12
    X = zeros(length(latitude),K)
    for k = 1:K
        X[:,k] = latitude.^(k-1)
    end

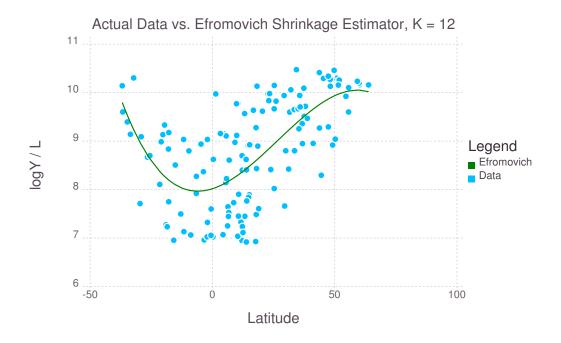
W = GSO(X)
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Out [25]:

Out[26]:



3 Use the Efromovich Shrinkage Estimator



4 Soft Threshold Estimate

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In [27]: # Plot the Soft Threshold Estimator on the Data
    msoft = W*wasserman(theta,sigma2,length(logYL))
    plot(layer(x=X[:,2], y=msoft, Geom.line,Theme(default_color=colorant"green")),
        layer(x=X[:,2], y=logYL, Geom.point),
        Guide.XLabel("XOte"),
        Guide.YLabel("YOtc"),
        Guide.Title("Actual Data vs. Soft Threshold Estimator, K = $K"),
        Guide.manual_color_key("Legend",["Soft Threshold","Data"],["green","deepskyblue"]))
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Out[27]:

