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The goal of this problem is to estimate the regression function of acceleration vs time for the `mcycle` data in the package `MASS`.

A

Show that the Nadaraya-Watson estimator can be expressed as $\hat{Y} = HY$. Find the “hat matrix” H explicitly.

We know that the Nadaraya-Watson estimator of $\hat{m}(x_i)$ is defined by

$$\hat{m}(x_i) = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n K_h(x_j - x_i)Y_j}{\sum_{k=1}^n K_h(x_k - x_i)},$$

where

$$K_h(x) = \frac{1}{h}K\left(\frac{x}{h}\right)$$

with h as associated bandwidth.

So

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{m}(x_i) &= \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n K_h(x_j - x_i)Y_j}{\sum_{k=1}^n K_h(x_k - x_i)} \\ &= \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{h}K\left(\frac{x_j - x_i}{h}\right)Y_j}{\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{h}K\left(\frac{x_k - x_i}{h}\right)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{h} \sum_{j=1}^n K\left(\frac{x_j - x_i}{h}\right)Y_j}{\frac{1}{h} \sum_{k=1}^n K\left(\frac{x_k - x_i}{h}\right)} \\ &= \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n K\left(\frac{x_j - x_i}{h}\right)Y_j}{\sum_{k=1}^n K\left(\frac{x_k - x_i}{h}\right)} \\ &= \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n K\left(\frac{x_j - x_i}{h}\right)}{\sum_{k=1}^n K\left(\frac{x_k - x_i}{h}\right)} Y_j \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n \underbrace{\frac{K\left(\frac{x_j - x_i}{h}\right)}{\sum_{k=1}^n K\left(\frac{x_k - x_i}{h}\right)}}_{H_{ij}} Y_j \\ \Rightarrow \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \hat{m}(x_1) \\ \vdots \\ \hat{m}(x_n) \end{pmatrix}}_{\hat{Y}} &= \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} H(x_1, x_1) & \dots & H(x_1, x_n) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ H(x_n, x_1) & \dots & H(x_n, x_n) \end{pmatrix}}_H \cdot \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} m(x_1) \\ \vdots \\ m(x_n) \end{pmatrix}}_Y\end{aligned}$$

B

For a reasonable range of bandwidths h , compute and plot the generalized cross validation measure $GCV(h)$ and find the optimal bandwidth.

```
library(MASS)
library(splines)
```

First, we implement the generalized cross validation measure $GCV(h)$ which is defined by

$$GCV(h) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[\frac{Y_i - \hat{m}_h(x)}{1 - \frac{\text{tr}H(h)}{n}} \right]^2.$$

Therefore, we have to compute the “hat-matrix”.

Kernels

Inside the function for computing this matrix we can use different kernels, which are defined below.

```
sin_cos_exp_kernel <- function(x) {
  return((1/2) * exp(-abs(x)/sqrt(2)) * sin(abs(x)/2 + pi/4))
}

normal_kernel <- function(x) {
  return(dnorm(x))
}

epanechnikov_kernel <- function(x) {
  ifelse(abs(x) > 1, return(0), return(3/4 * (1 - x^2)))
}
```

Hat-matrix

This function computes the “hat-matrix” using vectorized operations for faster results.

```
hat_matrix <- function(x, h) {
  n <- length(x)
  hatmat <- matrix(0, n, n)
  for (i in 1:n) {
    denominator <- sum(normal_kernel((x - x[i])/h))
    hatmat[i, ] <- normal_kernel((x - x[i])/h)/denominator
  }
  return(hatmat)
}
```

Generalized cross validation measure

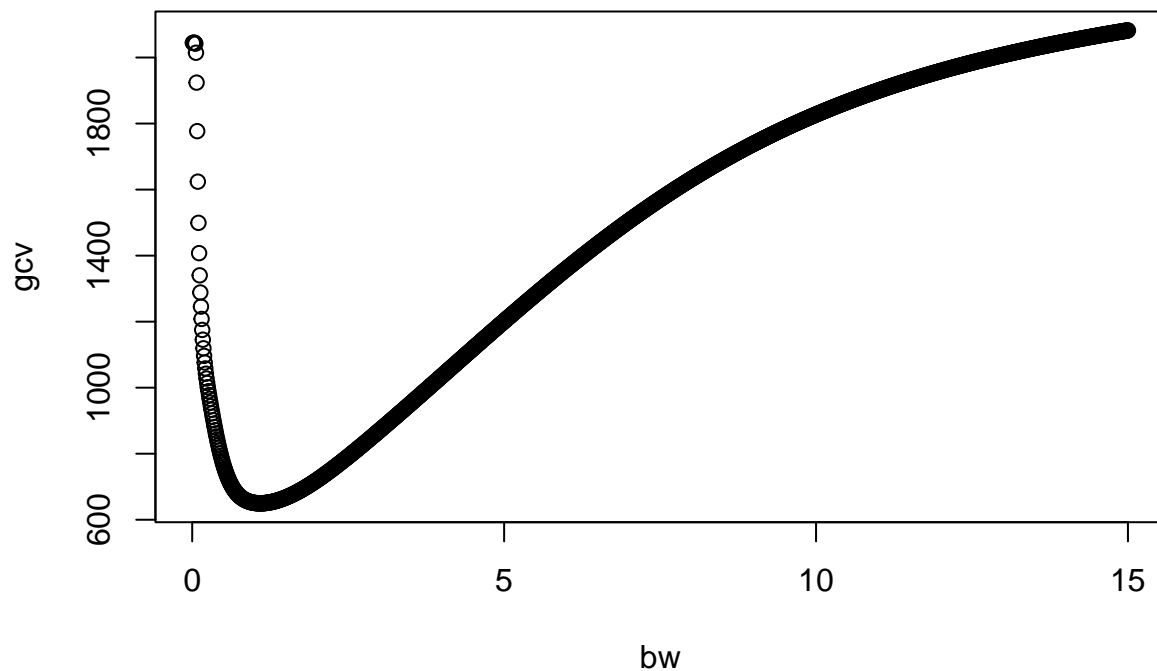
Here, we compute the GCV based on the definition from the book.

```
GCV <- function(x, y, h) {
  H <- hat_matrix(x, h)
  y_hat <- H %*% y
  gcv <- mean((y - y_hat)^2 / (1 - (sum(diag(H)) / length(y))^2))
  return(gcv)
}
```

Finding best bw

In the code below we tried to replace the kernel which we used for computing the “hat-matrix” to find the best result. We found that the gaussian kernel produced the best result.

```
with(mcycle, {
  bw <- seq(0.01, 15, by = 0.01)
  gcv <- sapply(bw, GCV, x = times, y = accel)
  tmp <- data.frame(bw = bw, gcv = gcv)
  plot(tmp)
  plot.new()
  plot(times, accel, main = paste("min_bw =", tmp[which.min(tmp$gcv), ]$bw))
  lines(ksmooth(x = times, y = accel, kernel = "normal", bandwidth = tmp[which.min(tmp$gcv), ]$bw), col = "red", type = "l")
})
```



min_bw = 1.09

