

Nonparametric Analysis of US Dairy Production and Consumption GAM model

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1 Load libraries and data

```
library(pbapply)
library(mgcv)
library(conformalInference)
library(ggplot2)
library(progress)
library(parallel)
```

```
data_path = file.path('data_updated_2021')
output_path = file.path('output')
data_infl <- read.table(
  file.path(data_path, 'production_facts_inflated.csv'),
  header = T,
  sep = ';'
)
```

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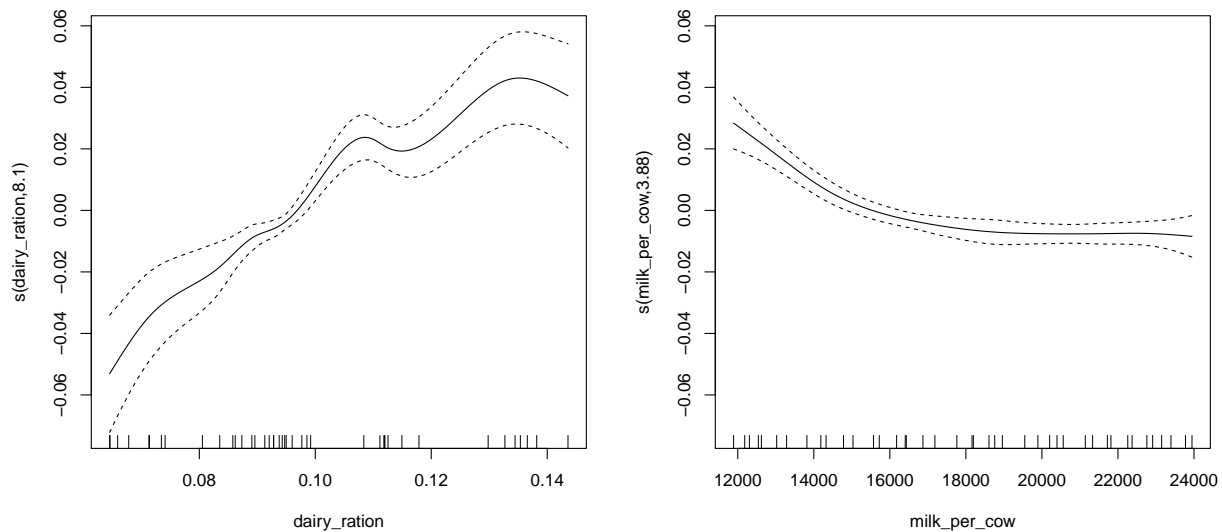
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2 Model

```
model_gam = gam(
  avg_price_milk ~ s(dairy_ration, bs = 'cr')
  + milk_cow_cost_per_animal + milk_volume_to_buy_cow_in_lbs
  + milk_feed_price_ratio + s(milk_per_cow, bs = 'cr'),
  data = data_infl
)
```

```
par(mfrow = c(1,2))
plot(model_gam)
```



```
milk_per_cow.grid=seq(range(data_infl$milk_per_cow)[1],
  range(data_infl$milk_per_cow)[2],length.out = 100)
dairy_ration.grid=seq(range(data_infl$dairy_ration)[1],
  range(data_infl$dairy_ration)[2],length.out = 100)
grid = expand.grid(
  milk_per_cow = milk_per_cow.grid,
  dairy_ration = dairy_ration.grid,
  milk_feed_price_ratio = mean(data_infl$milk_feed_price_ratio),
  milk_cow_cost_per_animal = mean(data_infl$milk_cow_cost_per_animal),
  milk_volume_to_buy_cow_in_lbs = mean(data_infl$milk_volume_to_buy_cow_in_lbs)
)
pred_gam = predict(model_gam, newdata = grid)
```

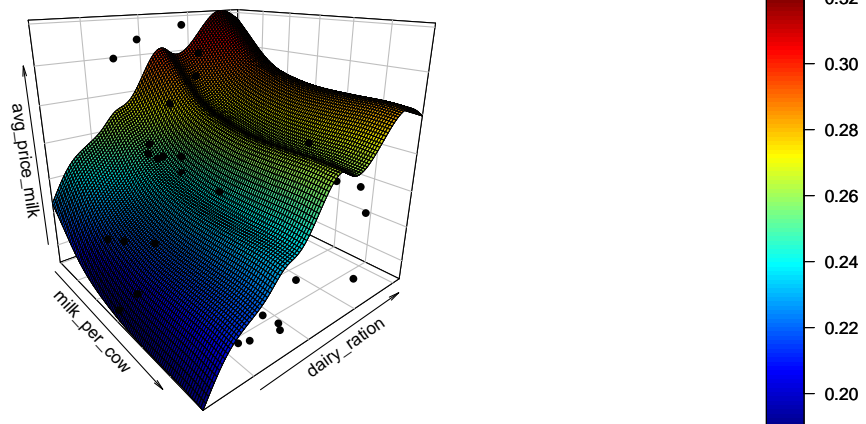
```
plot3D::persp3D(
  x=milk_per_cow.grid,
  y=dairy_ration.grid,
  z=matrix(pred_gam, nrow=length(milk_per_cow.grid), ncol=length(dairy_ration.grid)),
  col.palette = heat.colors,
```

```

#xlim = range(data_infl$milk_per_cow),
xlab = 'milk_per_cow',
ylab = 'dairy_ration',
zlab = 'avg_price_milk',
box = TRUE,
#contour = TRUE,
border='black',
lwd=0.1,
shade=0.1,
bty="b2", # https://rdrr.io/cran/plot3D/man/perspbox.html
phi = 20, theta = 50
)

with(
  data_infl,
  plot3D::points3D(
    milk_per_cow,
    dairy_ration,
    avg_price_milk,
    col = 'black',
    size = 1,
    pch=16,
    add=TRUE
  )
)

```



3 Coefficients

```
tab = summary(model_gam)
format(as.data.frame(tab$p.coeff), scientific = FALSE)
```

```
##                                tab$p.coeff
## (Intercept)                   0.115131628796
## milk_cow_cost_per_animal      0.000039400099
## milk_volume_to_buy_cow_in_lbs -0.000008403757
## milk_feed_price_ratio         0.047613147536
```

```
as.data.frame(tab$s.table)
```

```
##                edf  Ref.df      F    p-value
## s(dairy_ration) 8.096756 8.674118  6.970188 5.701373e-05
## s(milk_per_cow) 3.877111 4.724961 13.326653 4.405487e-06
```

4 Bootstrap interval on response

Taking into consideration the values of December, January and February of the covariates, we perform three bootstrap intervals on the prediction of the milk price, one for each month.

```
milk_cow = c(1526.43,1531.21,1436.44)
dairy_rat = c(0.12308,0.12732,0.11571)
milk_feed = c(2.467,2.311,2.161)
milk_per_cow.med <- median(data_infl$milk_per_cow)
milk_volume_to_buy_cow_in_lbs.med <- median(data_infl$milk_volume_to_buy_cow_in_lbs)
```

```
CI <- matrix(0,3,3)
set.seed(1)
for(i in 1:3){
  newdata <- data.frame(milk_per_cow=milk_per_cow.med,
                        dairy_ration=dairy_rat[i],
                        milk_feed_price_ratio=milk_feed[i],
                        milk_cow_cost_per_animal=milk_cow[i],
                        milk_volume_to_buy_cow_in_lbs=milk_volume_to_buy_cow_in_lbs.med)

  B = 200
  fitted.obs <- predict(model_gam)
  res.obs <- data_infl$avg_price_milk - fitted.obs
  pred.obs = predict(model_gam, newdata = newdata)
  T.boot <- numeric(B)
  library(progress)
  pb <- progress_bar$new(
    format = "  processing [:bar] :percent eta: :eta",
    total = B, clear = FALSE)
  for (b in 1:B) {

    perm <- sample(1:nrow(data_infl), replace = T)
    dataset.boot = data_infl[perm,]

    model_gam_reduced.boot =
      mgcv::gam(avg_price_milk ~ s(dairy_ration, bs = 'cr')
```

```

      + milk_cow_cost_per_animal
      + milk_volume_to_buy_cow_in_lbs
      + milk_feed_price_ratio
      + s(milk_per_cow, bs = 'cr'), data = dataset.boot)

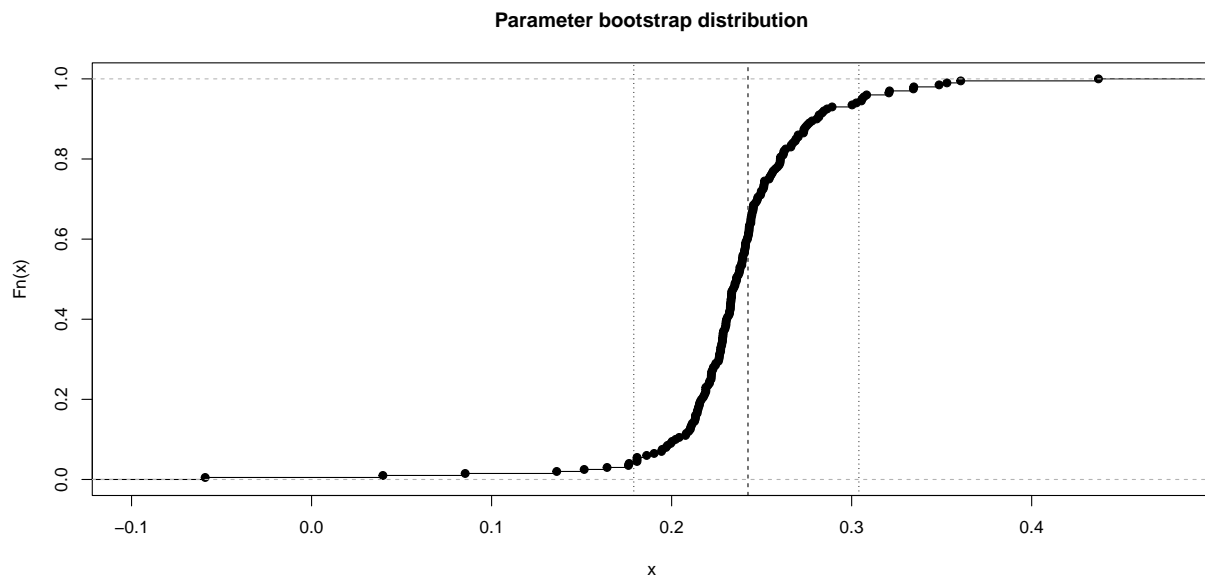
  T.boot[b] <- predict(model_gam_reduced.boot, newdata = newdata)
  pb$tick()
}
inter <- diagnostic_bootstrap(distro = T.boot, obs = pred.obs)
CI[i,] <- inter
}

```

```

## [1] "Standard deviation: 0.0453288970527418"
## [1] "Bias: -0.00444676719374543"
##      lwr      lvl      upr
## 0.1790048 0.2424174 0.3040295

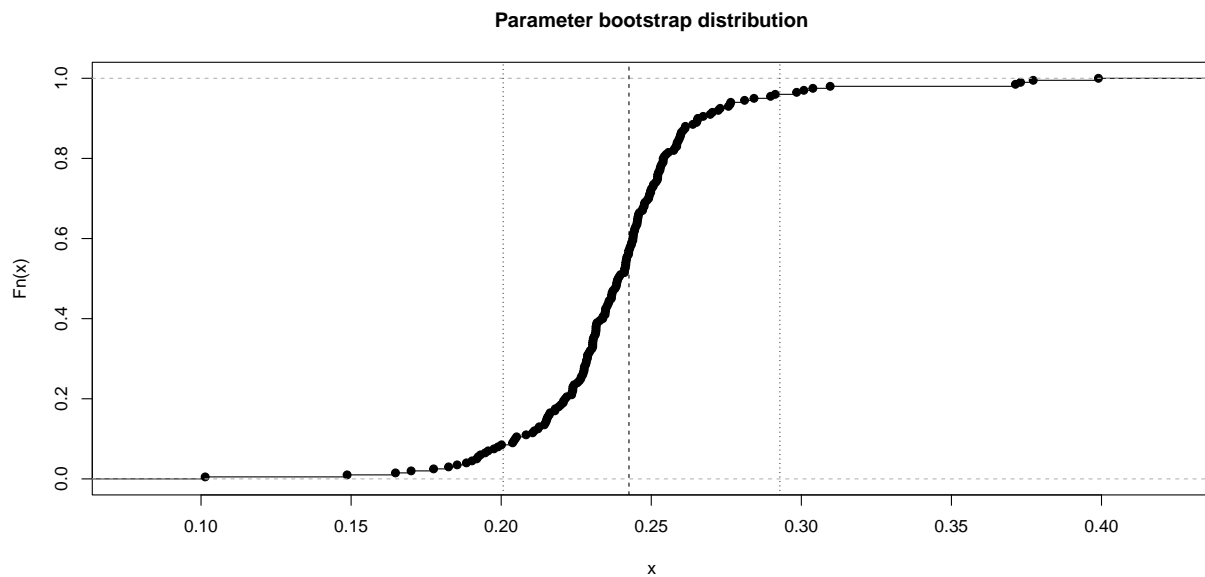
```



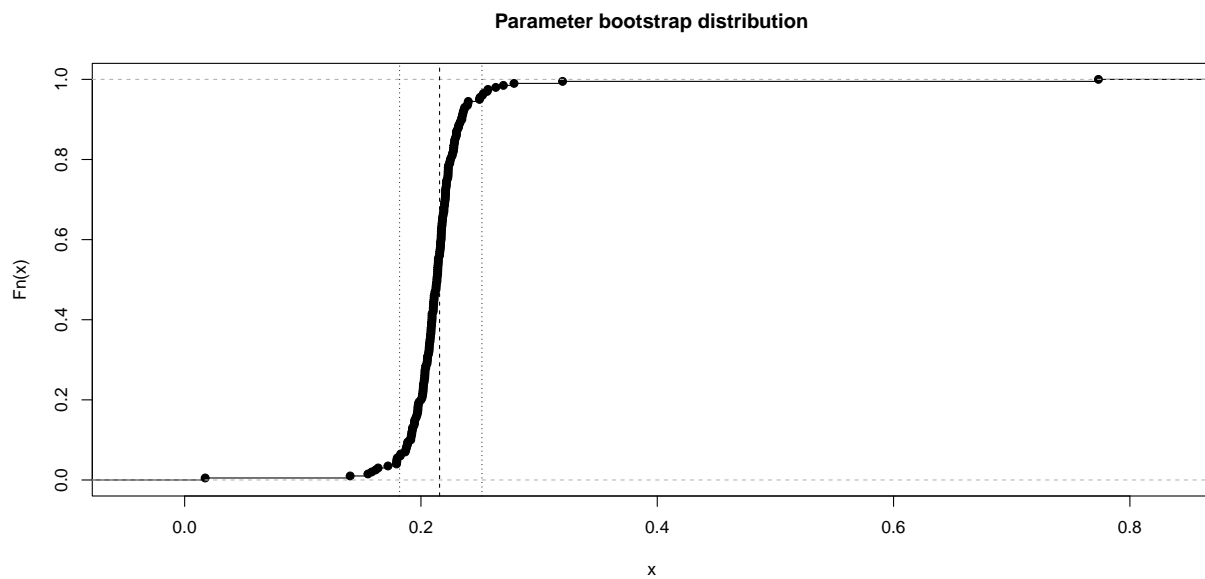
```

## [1] "Standard deviation: 0.0329405377967974"
## [1] "Bias: -0.00299887213194591"
##      lwr      lvl      upr
## 0.2006431 0.2425718 0.2928557

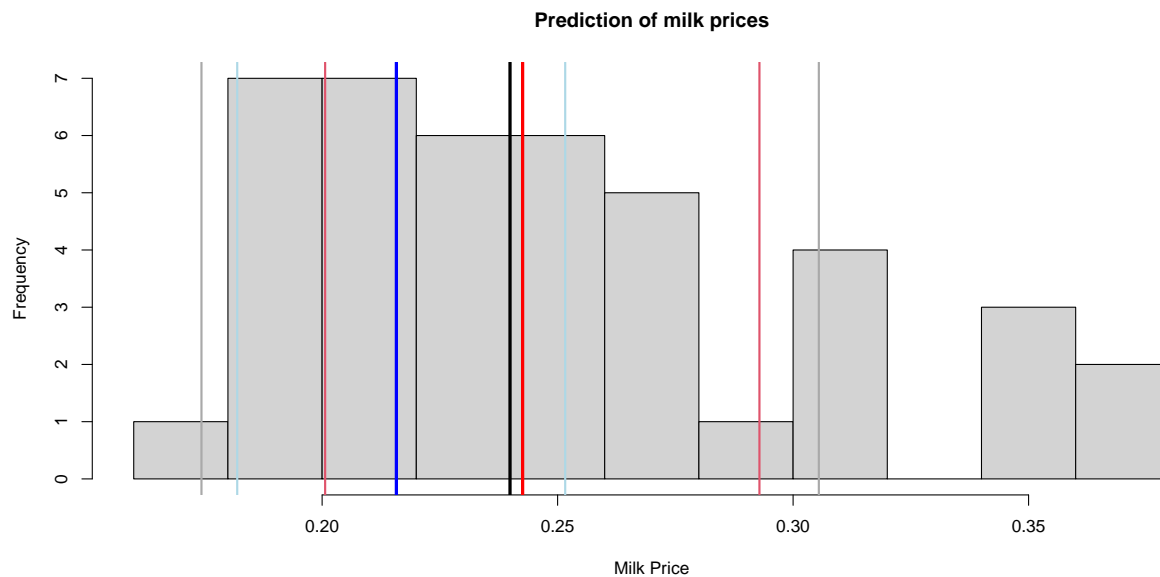
```



```
## [1] "Standard deviation: 0.0466987883336541"
## [1] "Bias: -0.000829885741253006"
##      lwr      lvl      upr
## 0.1819760 0.2157682 0.2516137
```

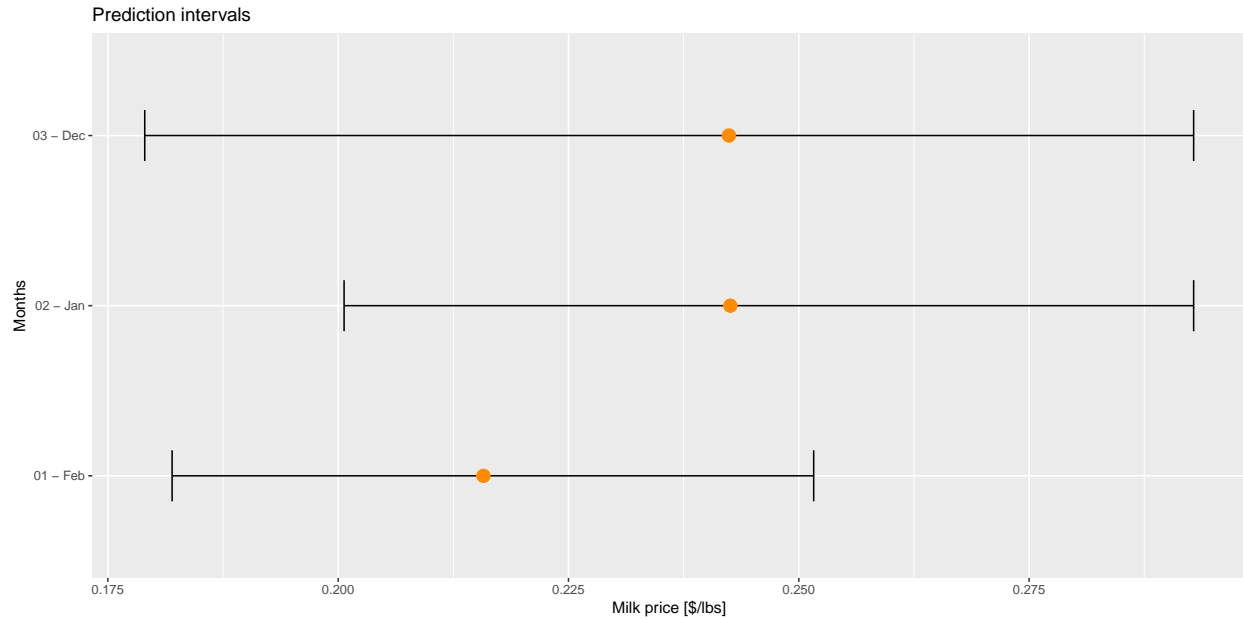


and we compare them:



```
L = c(0.1790048 ,0.2006431 ,0.1819760 )
U = c(0.2928557 ,0.2928557 ,0.2516137 )
y = c(0.2424174 ,0.2425718 ,0.2157682 )
x=c("03 - Dec","02 - Jan","01 - Feb")
df = data.frame(x=x, y =y)

ggplot(df, aes(x = x, y = y)) +
  geom_errorbar(aes(ymax = U, ymin = L), width = 0.3) +
  geom_point(size = 4, col = "darkorange") +
  coord_flip() +
  labs(x = "Months",
       y = "Milk price [$/lbs]",
       title = "Prediction intervals")
```



5 Conformal Prediction

Using the `conformal.pred` function, it's possible to give a prediction and a conformal prediction interval on the price of the milk, considering fixed all variables except `milk_per_cow`.

The other 4 covariates are fixed to specified values.

```
newdata <- c(milk_per_cow=0,dairy_ratio=0.097,milk_feed_price_ratio=2.01,
             milk_cow_cost_per_animal=2037,milk_volume_to_buy_cow_in_lbs=10000)
milk_per_cow.grid=seq(range(data_infl$milk_per_cow)[1],
                      range(data_infl$milk_per_cow)[2],length.out = 100)
```

```
wrapper_milk_per_cow=function(grid_point){
  newdata_t <- newdata
  newdata_t[1] <- grid_point
  alpha=0.1
  n_grid = 200
  c_preds = conformal.pred(
    cbind(
      data_infl$milk_per_cow,
      data_infl$dairy_ratio,
      data_infl$milk_feed_price_ratio,
      data_infl$milk_cow_cost_per_animal,
      data_infl$milk_volume_to_buy_cow_in_lbs
    ),
    data_infl$avg_price_milk,
    newdata_t,
    alpha = alpha,
    verbose = T,
    train.fun = train_gam ,
    predict.fun = predict_gam,
    num.grid.pts = n_grid
```



```

)
inter<-c("LOWER" = c_preds$lo,
        "PRED" = c_preds$pred,
        "UPPER" = c_preds$up)
return(inter)
}

```

```

n_cores <- detectCores()
cl = makeCluster(n_cores)
invisible(clusterEvalQ(cl, library(DepthProc)))
clusterExport(cl, varlist = list("milk_per_cow.grid", "wrapper_milk_per_cow",
                                "newdata", "data_infl", "gam", "predict.gam",
                                "conformal.pred", "train_gam", "predict_gam"))

set.seed(1)
inter=pbsapply(milk_per_cow.grid, wrapper_milk_per_cow, cl = cl)
stopCluster(cl)

```

```

plot(milk_per_cow.grid, inter[2,], type='l', ylim=c(0.15, 0.26))
points(milk_per_cow.grid, inter[1,], col=2, type='l')
points(milk_per_cow.grid, inter[3,], col=3, type='l')

```

