

## Announcements

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Pset 5 due Friday 10/27



## Introductions

- One question or thought related to lecture last week (interactions, polynomials, smoothers)

## Correlated transformations

Transformations and polynomials are useful, but they often create additional correlation in the model. Suppose we have two increasing functions  $g$  and  $h$ , and let  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  be i.i.d. continuous random variables.

1. Explain why

$$(g(X_1) - g(X_2))(h(X_1) - h(X_2)) > 0$$

2. Take the expectation of both sides and expand to show that  $\text{Cov}(g(X), h(X)) > 0$  for a random variable  $X$  with the same distribution as  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ .

3. Suppose you have some continuous predictor  $X$  and two increasing transformations of  $X$  you include in the model. What does this say about the transformed predictors?

4. Suppose you have a strictly positive continuous predictor and you include it as a polynomial. What can you say about the  $X, X^2, X^3, \dots$  coefficients?

## Groups and polynomials on real data

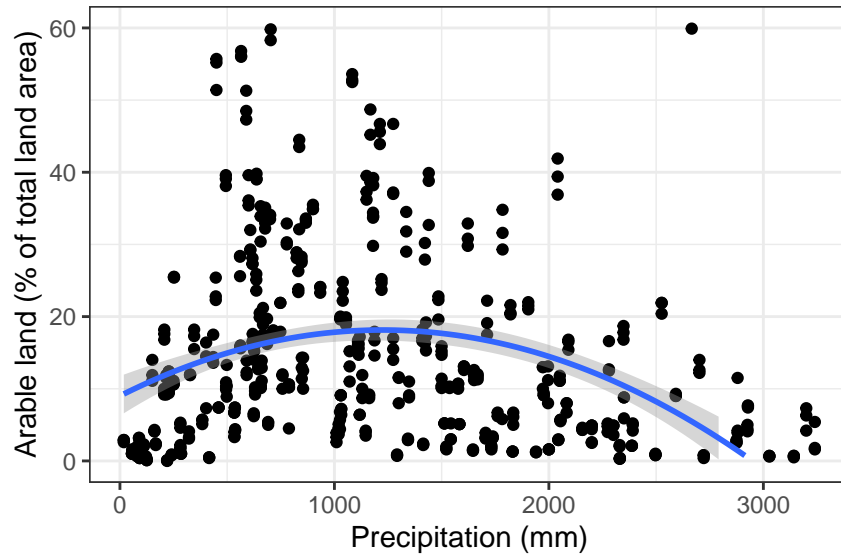
These problems will deal with a dataset of country-level statistics from [UNdata](#), [Varieties of Democracy](#), and the [World Bank](#).

1. With Northern America as the reference group, a regression model is fit to predict a country's GDP per capita from its region. Interpret the coefficients.

```
##               Estimate Std. Error   t value    Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)      60429.75    8043.170   7.513176 2.310741e-12
## RegionCaribbean -42178.39    8743.848  -4.823779 2.912959e-06
## RegionCentral America -55547.75    9850.831  -5.638890 6.236910e-08
## RegionCentral Asia  -57064.35   10791.045  -5.288121 3.428172e-07
## RegionEastern Africa -58689.36    8892.059  -6.600199 4.114707e-10
## RegionEastern Asia  -37451.32   10082.647  -3.714433 2.687637e-04
## RegionEastern Europe -50539.75    9516.807  -5.310578 3.080613e-07
## RegionMelanesia     -50993.95   10791.045  -4.725580 4.499311e-06
## RegionMicronesia    -55750.35   10791.045  -5.166353 6.087637e-07
## RegionMiddle Africa -56316.31    9666.687  -5.825812 2.442783e-08
## RegionNorthern Africa -55787.75   10383.688  -5.372634 2.289083e-07
## RegionNorthern Europe -19061.95    9516.807  -2.002977 4.662394e-02
## RegionOceania       -14338.75   13931.179  -1.029256 3.046888e-01
## RegionPolynesia     -51192.15   10791.045  -4.743947 4.149928e-06
## RegionSouth America -52447.75    9287.453  -5.647162 5.985999e-08
## RegionSouth-eastern Asia -50754.57    9392.399  -5.403792 1.970253e-07
## RegionSouthern Africa -55554.35   10791.045  -5.148190 6.626840e-07
## RegionSouthern Asia  -57816.19    9666.687  -5.980973 1.105426e-08
## RegionSouthern Europe -38273.46    9120.097  -4.196607 4.183567e-05
## RegionWestern Africa -59333.75    8992.537  -6.598110 4.161998e-10
## RegionWestern Asia  -42989.28    8939.484  -4.808922 3.112268e-06
## RegionWestern Europe  19415.92    9666.687   2.008539 4.602472e-02
```

2. The following 2nd order polynomial regression model predicts the percent of arable land in a country from its average annual precipitation. What is the optimal precipitation for having the most arable land?

```
##               Estimate   Std. Error   t value
## (Intercept)      9.006338e+00 2.561091e+00 3.516602
## poly(`Precipitation (mm)`^2, raw = TRUE)1 1.485334e-02 4.222079e-03 3.518015
## poly(`Precipitation (mm)`^2, raw = TRUE)2 -5.911257e-06 1.417983e-06 -4.168778
##               Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)      5.560447e-04
## poly(`Precipitation (mm)`^2, raw = TRUE)1 5.532877e-04
## poly(`Precipitation (mm)`^2, raw = TRUE)2 4.797093e-05
```

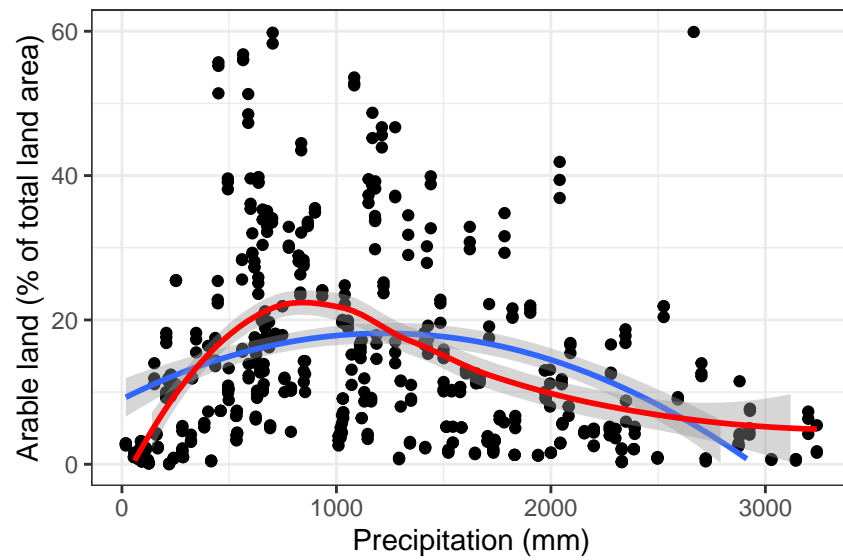


3. Use the previous model to find the probability that a country with  $x$  mm annual precipitation will have less than  $\tau$  percent of its land arable. Recall that

$$T = \frac{Y - \vec{X}_0^T \vec{\beta}}{\hat{\sigma} \sqrt{1 + \vec{X}_0^T (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \vec{X}_0}} \sim t_{n-(p+1)}$$

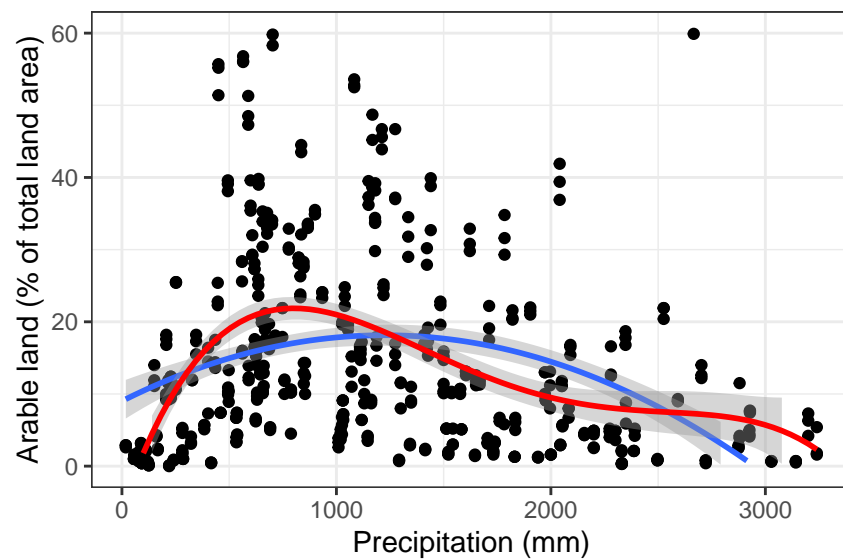
where  $\vec{X}_0$  is the new vector of predictors,  $\mathbf{X}$  is the matrix of previous predictors, and  $Y$  is the new outcome assuming it follows the previous model.

4. Compare the prediction accuracy of a LOESS model to that of the previous model.



```
##      LM R2 LOESS R2
##      0.103    0.221
```

5. Perform a formal hypothesis test to determine whether a fourth degree polynomial fits the data better than a second degree polynomial.

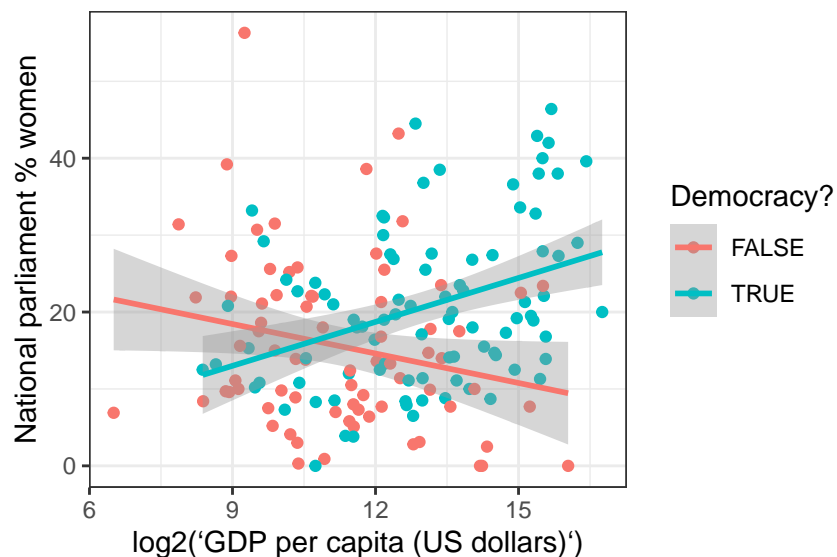


```
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
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```
## Model 1: `Arable land (% of total land area)` ~ poly(`Precipitation (mm)`,
##      2, raw = TRUE)
## Model 2: `Arable land (% of total land area)` ~ poly(`Precipitation (mm)`,
##      4, raw = TRUE)
##   Res.Df  RSS Df Sum of Sq    F    Pr(>F)
## 1    176 29714
## 2    174 25781  2    3933.3 13.273 4.316e-06 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

6. Interpret the following model that looks at the proportion of the national parliament that is women as a function of GDP per capita and whether the country is a democracy.

```
##                                     Estimate Std. Error
## (Intercept)                       29.937995  6.9554720
## log2(`GDP per capita (US dollars)`) -1.277528  0.6094048
## is_democracyTRUE                  -34.066009  9.8578282
## log2(`GDP per capita (US dollars)`):is_democracyTRUE  3.181353  0.8080104
##                                     t value    Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)                       4.304236 2.909763e-05
## log2(`GDP per capita (US dollars)`) -2.096353 3.762423e-02
## is_democracyTRUE                  -3.455732 7.028484e-04
## log2(`GDP per capita (US dollars)`):is_democracyTRUE  3.937268 1.227137e-04
```

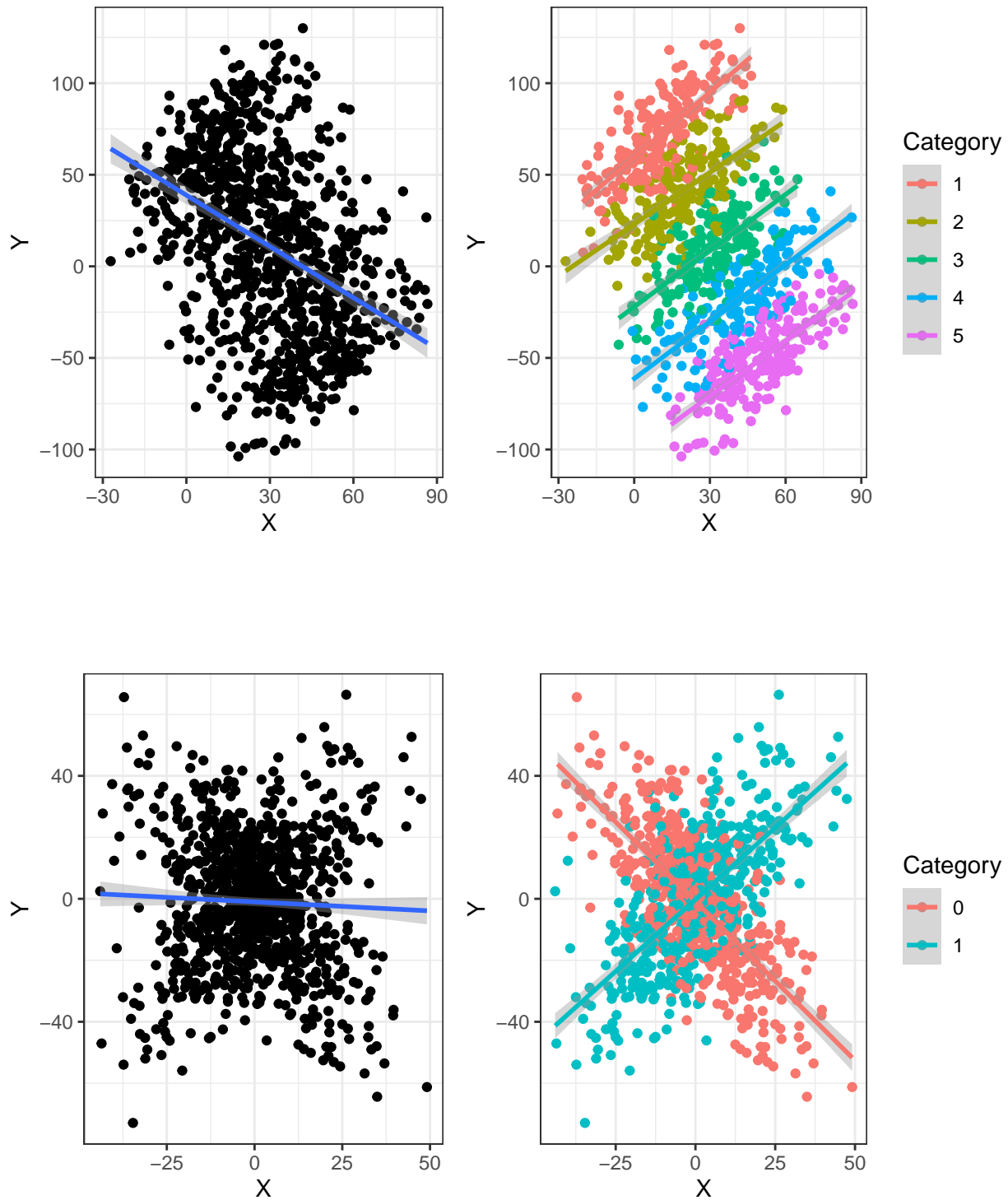


## Simpson's simulation

1. For the following data table, write out the design matrix that would be used in the following model:  
`response ~ category * value.`

Response	Category	Value
12.7	3	5.1
24.7	2	4.9
-4.0	3	2.0
11.2	1	2.2
14.6	1	5.3
17.9	1	7.2
15.4	2	3.0
46.0	2	6.0
47.2	2	5.3
9.3	1	5.0

2. For each of the pairs of plots below, determine what model should be fit to best describe the data (e.g., `response ~ x^2 + category`).



3. Name a reason to avoid fitting many interaction terms right from the beginning.

Let  $Y_{ij}$  be data point  $j$  from group  $i$  where there are  $k$  groups with  $n_i$  data points in group  $i$ . Imagine we run an ANOVA as well as an  $F$ -test for overall significance of a regression model with only the categories as predictors. Recall the original ANOVA  $F$ -statistic:

and the overall regression  $F$ -statistic:

where  $p$  is the number of predictors (not including the intercept in the model).

1. What is  $p$  in terms of  $k$ ?
2. What is  $\hat{Y}_{ij}$ ? Why is this the case?
3. Show that the two  $F$ -statistics are