

Ch 7.1-7.2: Polynomial regression and Step Functions

Lecture 20 - CMSE 381

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Last time:

- Exam

This lecture:

- 7.1 Polynomial regression
- 7.2 Step functions

Announcements:



Section 1

Last time

High-Dimensional Data

Low-Dimensions

$$n \gg p$$

- Low here means p is low, or at least small relative to n
- Can do all the stuff we've talked about so far

High-Dimensions

$$n \ll p$$

- Issues show up even if p is close to or slightly smaller than n
- Classical approaches not appropriate since lots of overfitting

What to do about it?

Be less flexible....

Key points

- regularization or shrinkage plays a key role in high-dimensional problems,
 - appropriate tuning parameter selection is crucial for good predictive performance, and
 - the test error tends to increase as the dimensionality of the problem increases, unless the additional features are truly associated with the response.
- Curse of dimensionality
 - Report results on an independent test set, or cross-validation errors.

Section 2

Polynomial Regression

Polynomial regression

Replace linear model

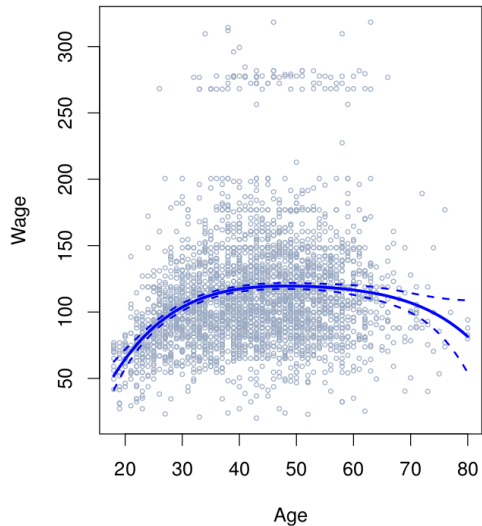
$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \varepsilon_i$$

with

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_i^2 + \cdots + \beta_d x_i^d + \varepsilon_i$$

$$\text{wage} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{age} + \beta_2 \text{age}^2 + \cdots + \beta_p \text{age}^p + \varepsilon.$$

Example with wage data



Section 3

Step function

Step functions

$$I(X < c) \quad I(c_1 \leq X < c_2) \quad I(c \leq X)$$

More on step function setup

$$\begin{aligned}C_0(X) &= I(X < c_1), \\C_1(X) &= I(c_1 \leq X < c_2), \\C_2(X) &= I(c_2 \leq X < c_3), \\&\vdots \\C_{K-1}(X) &= I(c_{K-1} \leq X < c_K), \\C_K(X) &= I(c_K \leq X),\end{aligned}$$

Example

Given knots $c_1 = 3$, $c_2 = 5$, $c_3 = 7$, determine the entries in the columns for $C_i(X)$ in the below matrix.

x	$C_0(X)$	$C_1(X)$	$C_2(X)$	$C_3(X)$
1				
7				
3				
5				
4				
9				

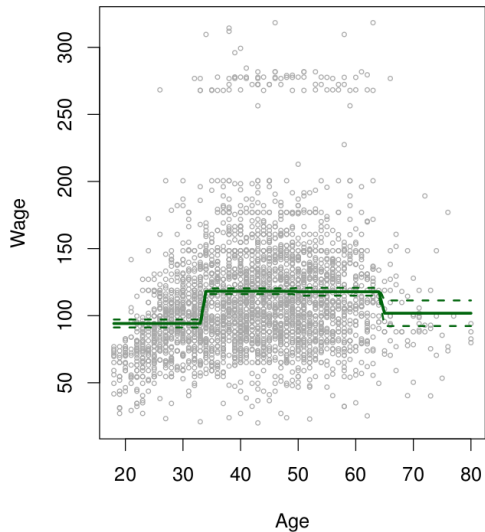
Step function: Learned model

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 C_1(x_i) + \beta_2 C_2(x_i) + \cdots + \beta_K C_K(x_i) + \varepsilon_i$$

Coding bit

Back to the wage data set

Step function example

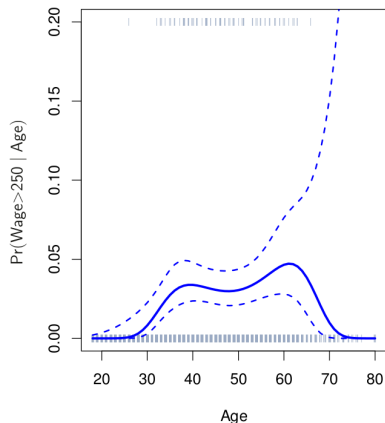


Section 4

Classification versions

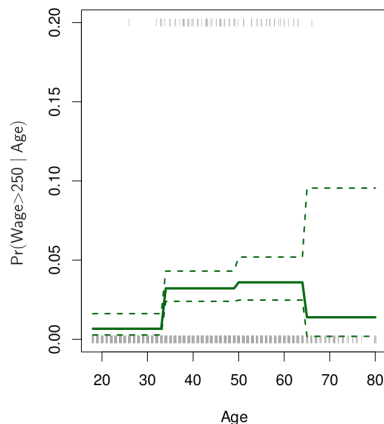
Classification version

$$\Pr(y_i > 250 \mid x_i) = \frac{\exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \cdots + \beta_d x_i^d)}{1 + \exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \cdots + \beta_d x_i^d)}$$



Step function classification example

$$\Pr(y_i > 250 \mid x_i) = \frac{\exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 C_1(x_i) + \beta_2 C_2(x_i) + \cdots + \beta_K C_K(x_i))}{1 + \exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 C_1(x_i) + \beta_2 C_2(x_i) + \cdots + \beta_K C_K(x_i))}$$



A few more comments on step functions

Basis Functions Setup

Polynomial and piecewise-constant regression models are special cases of a *basis function* approach.

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 b_1(x_i) + \beta_2 b_2(x_i) + \cdots + \beta_K b_K(x_i) + \varepsilon_i$$

Next time

20	F	Nov 4	Polynomial & Step Functions.	7.1,7.2	
21	M	Nov 7	Basis functions, Regression Splines	7.3,7.4	
22	W	Nov 9	Smoothing Splines; Local regression; GAMs	7.5-7.7	
23	F	Nov 11	Decision Trees	8.1	HW #7 Due
24	M	Nov 14	Ensemble methods	8.2	
25	W	Nov 16	Maximal Margin Classifier	9.1	
26	F	Nov 18	SVC	9.2	HW #8 Due
27	M	Nov 21	SVM	9.3, 9.4, 9.5	
28	W	Nov 23	Single layer NN	10.1	
	F	Nov 25	No class - Thanksgiving		
29	M	Nov 28	Multi Layer NN	10.2	HW #9 Due
30	W	Nov 30	CNN	10.3	
31	F	Dec 2	Unsupervised Learning & Clustering	12.1, 12.4	
32	M	Dec 5	More Clustering	12.4	HW #10 Due
	W	Dec 7	Review		
	F	Dec 9	Midterm #3	Bring your cheat sheet and a non-internet-connected calculator	