

Beyond Linearity Overview

All the algorithms we discuss so far have been linear, which means they assume that's the relationship between the Response Y and Observations X is linear which allow for ease of interpretation and explanation for the model, but when it comes to real world data it's almost always **non-linear**.

This chapter covers methods to extend the linear models while trying to maintain as much **interpretability** as possible which is the main appeal of linear models , these are the sections :

1. [Polynomial Regression](#)
2. [Step Functions](#)
3. [Regression Splines](#)
4. [Local Regression](#)
5. [Generalized Additive Models](#)

