# HW3

# $\mathbf{Q2}$

## **Initializing Environment**

```
# rm(list =ls())
library(tidyverse)
## -- Attaching packages -----
                                                      ----- tidyverse 1.3.1 --
## v ggplot2 3.3.6 v purrr
                                  0.3.4
## v tibble 3.1.7 v dplyr 1.0.9
## v tidyr 1.2.0 v stringr 1.4.0
## v readr 2.1.2 v forcats 0.5.1
## -- Conflicts ----- tidyverse_conflicts() --
## x dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
## x dplyr::lag()
                     masks stats::lag()
library(reshape2)
##
## Attaching package: 'reshape2'
## The following object is masked from 'package:tidyr':
##
##
       smiths
```

## **Data Generating Functions**

```
#rm(list =ls())
lin <- function(x) {
  return(2*x)
}

sin_2pi <- function(x) {
  return(sin(2*pi*x))
}

sin_30 <- function(x) {
  return(sin(30*x))
}</pre>
```

# Choosing bandwidth for LOESS to minimize MSE

```
# Set seed for reproducibility
set.seed(42)
# Check the best bandwidth for LOESS with degree 0,1,2
```

```
n = 1e4
# Use the most wiggly function to ensure most appropriate bandwidth
x <- sort(runif(n))</pre>
true_x \leftarrow sin_30(x)
eps <- rnorm(n)</pre>
y <- true_x+ eps
mse = c()
interval = seq(0.1, 10, 0.1)
# Degree 0
for (i in 1:100){
  model \leftarrow loess(y \sim x, span = (interval[i]) * n^(-1/3), method = c("loess"), degree = 0)
  mse[i] = mean((predict(model, newdata = data.frame(x)) - true_x)^2)
# Here we select the bandwidth that minimizes the MSE: The one selected has coefficient 4
interval[which(mse == min(mse))]
## [1] 0.8
# Degree 1
for (i in 1:100){
  model <- loess(y ~ x, span = (interval[i]) * n^(-1/3),method = c("loess"), degree =1)</pre>
  mse[i] = mean((predict(model, newdata = data.frame(x)) - true_x)^2)
}
# Here we select the bandwidth that minimizes the MSE: The one selected has coefficient 4
interval[which(mse == min(mse))]
## [1] 1
# Degree 2
for (i in 1:100){
  model \leftarrow loess(y \sim x, span = (interval[i]) * n^(-1/5), method = c("loess"), degree = 2)
  mse[i] = mean((predict(model, newdata = data.frame(x)) - true_x)^2)
}
# Here we select the bandwidth that minimizes the MSE: The one selected has coefficient 3
interval[which(mse == min(mse))]
## [1] 0.7
\#model \leftarrow loess(y \sim x, span = (interval[2]) * n^(-1/3), method = c("loess"))
```

Here I used the second data generating function to find the coefficient that minimizes MSE. The main part of the bandwidth is given by  $h = n^{-1/(2k+1)}$ . So for the degree 1 it is  $n^{(-1/3)}$  and for degree 2 it is  $n^{(-1/5)}$ . After obtaining the coefficient I can use it in the following simulate function.

```
simulate <- function(n, func) {
    #sampling x and epsilon
    #need to sort x because the kernel functions output values with ordered x!!
    x <- sort(runif(n))
    eps <- rnorm(n)

#calculate y
    y <- func(x) + eps

#fit linear and polynomial models</pre>
```

```
y_1 \leftarrow lm(y\sim x) fitted.values
  y_2 \leftarrow lm(y \sim poly(x, 2)) fitted.values
  y_3 \leftarrow lm(y\sim poly(x,3))$fitted.values
  y_4 \leftarrow lm(y\sim poly(x,4))fitted.values
  y_5 \leftarrow lm(y \sim poly(x, 5)) fitted.values
  #fit LOESS models
  loess 0 \leftarrow loess(y \sim x, span = 0.8*n^(-1/3), method = c("loess"), degree = 0)
  loess0_pred <- predict(loess_0, newdata = data.frame(x))</pre>
  loess_1 \leftarrow loess(y \sim x, span = n^(-1/3), method = c("loess"), degree = 1)
  loess1_pred <- predict(loess_1, newdata = data.frame(x))</pre>
  loess_2 \leftarrow loess(y \sim x, span = 0.7 * n^(-1/5), method = c("loess"), degree = 2)
  loess2_pred <- predict(loess_2, newdata = data.frame(x))</pre>
  #choice of kernel bandwidth
  h < -0.5 * n^{(-1/3)}
  #fit NW estimators with box and Gaussian kernels
  y_box <- ksmooth(x, y, kernel = "box", x.points = x, bandwidth = h)$y
  y_gauss <- ksmooth(x, y, kernel = "normal", x.points = x, bandwidth = h)$y
  #calculate and format the MSEs
  mse <- colMeans( (cbind(y_1,y_2,y_3,y_4,y_5,y_box,y_gauss,</pre>
                             loess0_pred, loess1_pred,loess2_pred) - func(x))^2 )
  names(mse) <- c("Linear", paste("Poly Reg:", 2:5),</pre>
                    "NW-Box", "NW-Gaussian", paste("loess:", 0:2))
  return(mse)
}
```

### Writing replicate function to prepare for simulation

```
replicate_func <- function(m,n,func){
   mse <- colMeans(matrix(replicate(m, simulate(n, func)), ncol = 10, byrow = TRUE))
   names(mse) <- c("Linear", paste("Poly Deg:", 2:5), "NW-Box","NW-Gaussian", paste("loess:", 0:2))
   return(mse)
}

#mse <-colMeans(matrix(replicate(m, simulate(1000, lin)), ncol = 10, byrow = TRUE))
m = 100
sample_size = c(100,500,1000,5000,10000)</pre>
```

#### First case

```
result1 = list()
for(i in 1:length(sample_size)){
   result1[[i]] = replicate_func(m,sample_size[i], lin)
}
result1
## [[1]]
## Linear Poly Deg: 2 Poly Deg: 3 Poly Deg: 4 Poly Deg: 5 NW-Box
```

```
## 0.02091575 0.03256371 0.04286526 0.05432542 0.06584099 0.10193171
## NW-Gaussian
                 loess: 0
                             loess: 1
                                         loess: 2
## 0.07884401 0.09015135 0.08966203 0.12068620
##
## [[2]]
##
       Linear Poly Deg: 2 Poly Deg: 3 Poly Deg: 4 Poly Deg: 5
                                                                   NW-Box
## 0.004473661 0.006352674 0.008267855 0.010235811 0.012112453 0.031844864
## NW-Gaussian
                 loess: 0
                             loess: 1
                                         loess: 2
## 0.024771922 0.027296813 0.025120141 0.028593502
##
## [[3]]
       Linear Poly Deg: 2 Poly Deg: 3 Poly Deg: 4 Poly Deg: 5
##
## 0.002259979 0.003046668 0.004166595 0.005160549 0.005982120 0.020598673
## NW-Gaussian
                 loess: 0
                             loess: 1
                                         loess: 2
## 0.015746130 0.017242802 0.015345710 0.015901099
##
## [[4]]
        Linear Poly Deg: 2 Poly Deg: 3 Poly Deg: 4 Poly Deg: 5
##
## 0.0003594934 0.0005536060 0.0007305858 0.0009333253 0.0011030903 0.0068959040
## NW-Gaussian
                   loess: 0
                                loess: 1
                                             loess: 2
## 0.0052494828 0.0058262275 0.0050065543 0.0043774227
##
## [[5]]
##
        Linear Poly Deg: 2 Poly Deg: 3 Poly Deg: 4 Poly Deg: 5
## 0.0001762093 0.0002897800 0.0003999668 0.0004930913 0.0005908413 0.0042704842
## NW-Gaussian
                   loess: 0
                                loess: 1
                                             loess: 2
## 0.0032660614 0.0036948893 0.0031124091 0.0024901957
Second case
result2 = list()
for(i in 1:length(sample_size)){
 result2[[i]] = replicate_func(m, sample_size[i], sin_2pi)
}
result2
## [[1]]
       Linear Poly Deg: 2 Poly Deg: 3 Poly Deg: 4 Poly Deg: 5
                                                                   NW-Box
## 0.21057075 0.21636547 0.04416759 0.05481001 0.06246595 0.10159219
## NW-Gaussian
                 loess: 0
                             loess: 1
                                         loess: 2
## 0.07937388 0.09261970 0.08659256 0.11705202
##
## [[2]]
       Linear Poly Deg: 2 Poly Deg: 3 Poly Deg: 4 Poly Deg: 5
##
## 0.19974264 0.20082929 0.01242095 0.01459214 0.01277658 0.03196768
## NW-Gaussian
                             loess: 1
                 loess: 0
                                         loess: 2
## 0.02437023 0.02743659 0.02466988 0.02763701
##
## [[3]]
       Linear Poly Deg: 2 Poly Deg: 3 Poly Deg: 4 Poly Deg: 5
##
                                                                   NW-Box
## 0.196795328 0.197296037 0.008128362 0.008987163 0.005716019 0.019899531
## NW-Gaussian
                 loess: 0
                             loess: 1
                                         loess: 2
## 0.015191138 0.016850526 0.014764347 0.015422621
##
```

```
## [[4]]
       Linear Poly Deg: 2 Poly Deg: 3 Poly Deg: 4 Poly Deg: 5
                                                                 NW-Box
## 0.196240711 0.196369557 0.005104318 0.005287240 0.001116486 0.006878702
## NW-Gaussian
                 loess: 0
                             loess: 1
                                        loess: 2
## 0.005209786 0.005836905 0.004978541 0.004352118
##
## [[5]]
        Linear Poly Deg: 2 Poly Deg: 3 Poly Deg: 4 Poly Deg: 5
##
## 0.1961093158 0.1961573953 0.0047036131 0.0048087517 0.0005428125 0.0042608991
## NW-Gaussian
                   loess: 0
                               loess: 1
                                            loess: 2
## 0.0032353073 0.0036994920 0.0030801481 0.0024339360
Third case
result3 = list()
for(i in 1:length(sample_size)){
 result3[[i]] = replicate func(m, sample size[i], sin 30)
}
result3
## [[1]]
##
       Linear Poly Deg: 2 Poly Deg: 3 Poly Deg: 4 Poly Deg: 5
                                                                 NW-Box
    0.4911996
##
                                                              0.1799926
## NW-Gaussian
                loess: 0
                            loess: 1
                                        loess: 2
    0.1955157
                0.1881499
##
                            0.1950431
                                       0.1615584
##
## [[2]]
       Linear Poly Deg: 2 Poly Deg: 3 Poly Deg: 4 Poly Deg: 5
## 0.50090226 0.49941431 0.48409563 0.48474519 0.45786629 0.04549689
                 loess: 0
                             loess: 1
## NW-Gaussian
                                        loess: 2
## 0.04950036 0.04885952 0.04944471 0.03860981
##
## [[3]]
##
       Linear Poly Deg: 2 Poly Deg: 3 Poly Deg: 4 Poly Deg: 5
                                                                 NW-Rox
## 0.49661566 0.49525211 0.47922821 0.48008767 0.45325876 0.02875122
## NW-Gaussian
                 loess: 0
                             loess: 1
                                        loess: 2
## 0.02963430 0.03099271 0.02877651 0.02284580
##
## [[4]]
##
       Linear Poly Deg: 2 Poly Deg: 3 Poly Deg: 4 Poly Deg: 5
## 0.497083335 0.494966825 0.478522922 0.478590001 0.450516814 0.007795511
## NW-Gaussian
                 loess: 0
                             loess: 1
                                        loess: 2
## 0.006981845 0.007838078 0.006498961 0.004868153
##
## [[5]]
       Linear Poly Deg: 2 Poly Deg: 3 Poly Deg: 4 Poly Deg: 5
                                                                 NW-Box
## 0.497080928 0.494876571 0.477993826 0.478021904 0.450404717 0.004696627
                 loess: 0
                                        loess: 2
## NW-Gaussian
                             loess: 1
## 0.004000106 0.004615875 0.003709017 0.002691036
Tables
```

```
res1 = data.frame(result1)
res2 = data.frame(result2)
```

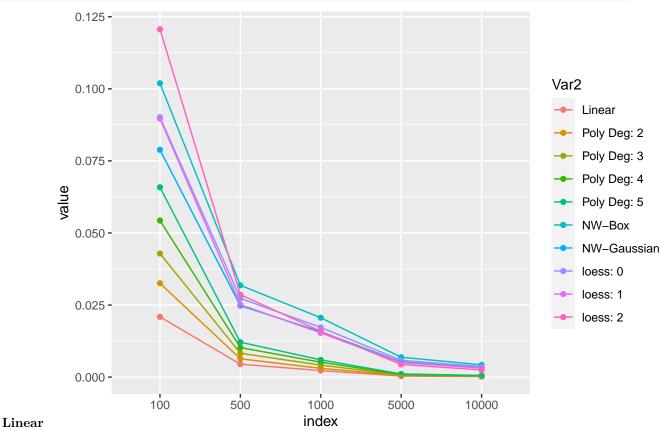
```
res3 = data.frame(result3)

names(res1) <- paste0("col", 1:5)
names(res2) <- paste0("col", 1:5)
names(res3) <- paste0("col", 1:5)

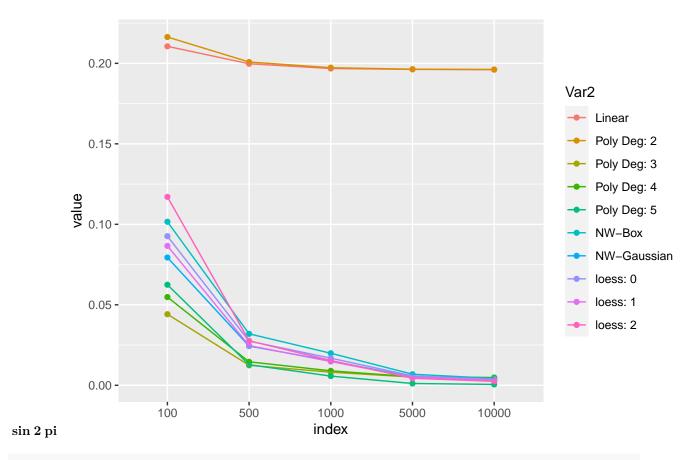
res1 = t(res1)
res2 = t(res2)
res3 = t(res3)</pre>
```

#### Plots

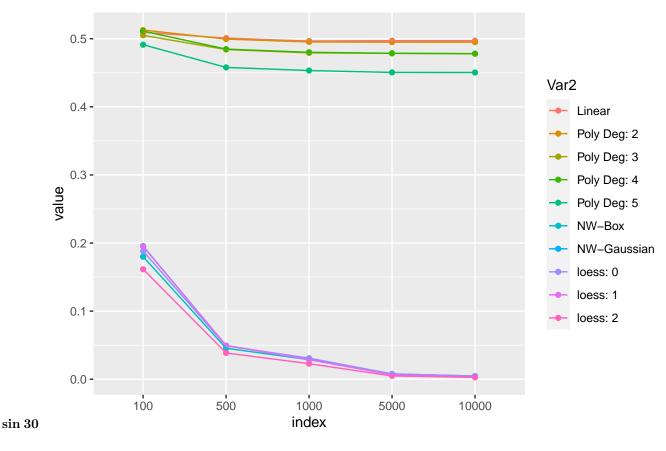
```
df1 = melt(res1)
df1$index = rep(as.factor(sample_size),10)
ggplot(df1,aes(x=index, y = value, color = Var2, group = Var2)) + geom_point() + geom_line()
```



```
df2 = melt(res2)
df2$index = rep(as.factor(sample_size),10)
ggplot(df2,aes(x=index, y = value, color = Var2, group = Var2)) + geom_point() + geom_line()
```



```
df3 = melt(res3)
df3$index = rep(as.factor(sample_size),10)
ggplot(df3,aes(x=index, y = value, color = Var2, group = Var2)) + geom_point() + geom_line()
```



#### Comments

The loess functions, compared with other methods, seem to perform well in general. And they perform especially well when the true function is most wiggly, potentially because the bandwidths were selected using the  $\sin(30)$  data.

In general, the loess functions do not perform well if the sample size is small. One limitation is possibly that the R function LOESS only can go up to two degrees in calculating the curve. As sample size goes up, however, the loess seems to perform better than they do in smaller samples.

Based on our finite data, the LOESS outperforms the kernels as sample size increases. Note that loess with degree 0 is the NW estimator with a different bandwidth, and therefore they are pretty similar in performance.