Beyond mean modelling: multi-parameter GAMs

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Material available at:

 $\verb|https://github.com/mfasiolo/GAM_Workshop_Enbis_EDF_23|$

Recall GAM model structure:

$$y|\mathbf{x} \sim \mathsf{Distr}\{y|\theta_1 = \mu(\mathbf{x}), \theta_2, \dots, \theta_p\},$$

where

$$g\{\mu(\mathbf{x})\} = \sum_{j=1}^{m} f_j(\mathbf{x}).$$

Multi-parameter GAM structure:

$$y|\mathbf{x} \sim \mathsf{Distr}\{y|\theta_1 = \mu_1(\mathbf{x}), \theta_2 = \mu_2(\mathbf{x}), \dots, \theta_p = \mu_p(\mathbf{x})\},$$

where

$$g_1\{\mu_1(\mathbf{x})\} = \sum_{j=1}^m f_j^1(\mathbf{x}), \quad \dots \quad g_p\{\mu_p(\mathbf{x})\} = \sum_{j=1}^m f_j^p(\mathbf{x}).$$

Special case are **Generalized Additive Models for Location Scale and Shape** (GAMLSS) (Rigby and Stasinopoulos, 2005).

See appendix for complete list of distributions in mgcv.

Example: Gaussian location-scale model

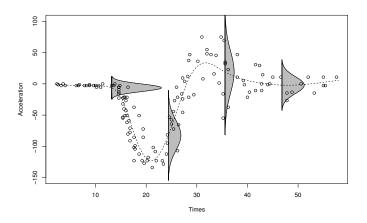
Model is

$$y|\mathbf{x} \sim N\{y|\mu(\mathbf{x}), \sigma^2(\mathbf{x})\}$$

where

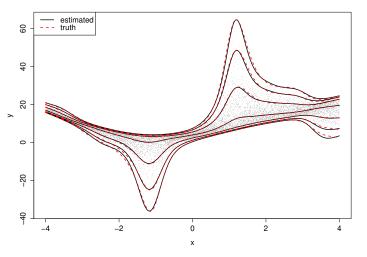
$$\mu(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^{m} f_j^1(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\log \sigma(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^m f_j^2(\mathbf{x})$$



In mgcv: gam(list(y ~ s(x), ~ s(x)), family=gaulss). NOTE: bam() can not be used with multi-parameter GAMs.

Example: Sinh-arcsinh (shash) distribution (Jones and Pewsey, 2009)



gam(list(y s(x), s(x), s(x), s(x)), family=shash).

Non-GAMLSS example: multivariate normal GAMs

$$\mathbf{y} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ \vdots \\ y_d \end{pmatrix} \sim N \begin{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mu_2(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mu_3(\mathbf{x}) \\ \vdots \\ \mu_d(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{12} & \cdots & & \Sigma_{1d} \\ \Sigma_{12} & \Sigma_{22} & \cdots & \cdots & \Sigma_{2d} \\ \Sigma_{13} & \Sigma_{23} & \cdots & \cdots & \Sigma_{3d} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \Sigma_{1d} & \Sigma_{2d} & \cdots & \cdots & \Sigma_{dd} \end{pmatrix} \right).$$

In mgcv: $gam(list(y^s(x1), s(x3), s(x3)), family = mvn(3))$

With the SCM package we can model Σ as well

$$\mathbf{y} \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}(\mathbf{x}), \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\mathbf{x})).$$

 $\Sigma(x)$ must be positive definite so we can **not** write $\Sigma_{jk} = \sum_i f_j(\mathbf{x})$.

One option is the modified Cholesky decomposition (Pourahmadi, 1999)

$$\mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1} = \mathbf{T}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{D}^{-2} \mathbf{T}$$

where \mathbf{D}^2 is a diagonal matrix and \mathbf{T} is upper triangular.

Available via the SCM package

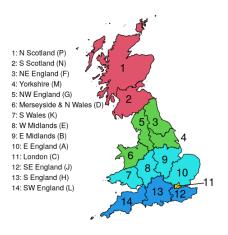
https://github.com/VinGioia90/SCM

To install type:

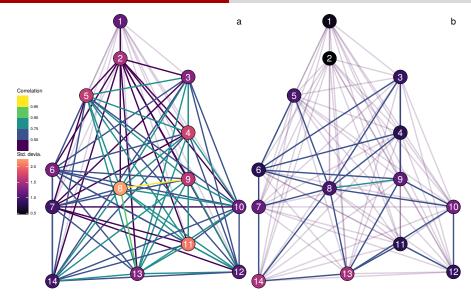
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library(devtools)
install_github("VinGioia90/SCM")
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See Gioia et al. (2022) for details.

The UK electricity grid is divided into 14 grid supply groups (GSP).

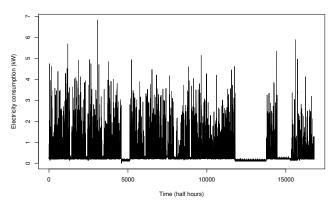


Gioia et al. (2022) produce joint probabilistic forecasts of net-demand.



Left: 7am 31/12/2018. Right: midnight 20/08/2018.

Non-GAMLSS example: additive stacking or aggregation of experts



Two models for log-demand at time t or day d:

- ② $\log \operatorname{dem}_{td} \sim N(\mu = \operatorname{mean}(\log \operatorname{dem}_d), \sigma^2 = \operatorname{var}(\log \operatorname{dem}_d))$ where $\operatorname{dem}_d = \{\log \operatorname{dem}_{1d}, \dots, \log \operatorname{dem}_{48d}\}.$

We want to predict y|x and we have models $p_1(y|x), \ldots, p_K(y|x)$.

Build mixture with covariate-dependent weights

$$p_{\text{mix}}(y|\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} w_k(\mathbf{x}) p_k(y|\mathbf{x});$$

where $0 \le w_k \le 1$ and $\sum_k w_k = 1$.

Capezza et al. (2021) use the multinomial parametrisation

$$w_k = \frac{e^{\eta_k}}{\sum_j e^{\eta_j}},$$

with $\eta_1 = 0$ and $\eta_k = \sum_l f_{lk}(\mathbf{x})$ for $k = 2, \dots, K$.

Available via the gamFactory:

install_github("mfasiolo/gamFactory")

Upcoming gamstackr package by Euan Enticott (EDF-sponsored PhD):

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will provide better methods.

Email him if interested!

Now continue example on 2_multi_gams.html.

For related approaches see Yao et al. (2022) and Rügamer et al. (2022).

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List of distributions in mgcv

Type ?mgvc::family on the R console to see a list of distributions from the exponential family.

Wood et al. (2016) allows Distr \notin exponential family (extended GAMs):

- ullet scat o scaled Student-t;
- ② betar \rightarrow beta for $y \in (0,1)$;
- \bullet ziP \rightarrow zero-inflated Poisson;
- \bullet tw \rightarrow Tweedie:
- ocat → order categorical;
- $oldsymbol{0}$ nb o negative binomial.

Note that these EGAMs have one linear predictor, i.e.

$$y_i|\mathbf{x}_i \sim \mathsf{Distr}\{y_i|\theta_1(\mathbf{x}),\theta_2,\ldots,\theta_p\}.$$

hence are not GAMLSSs.

- Available GAMLSS families:

 gammals \rightarrow 2-par gamma;
 - ② gaulss → 2-par Gaussian;
 - \odot shash \rightarrow 4-par sinh-arsinh;
 - lacktriangledown ziplss ightarrow 2-par zero-inflated Poisson;
 - **9** gevlss \rightarrow 3-par generalised extreme value distribution (GEV);
 - \bullet gumbls \rightarrow 2-par Gumbel (special case of GEV);
 - **1** twlss \rightarrow 3-par Tweedie.

For extreme value GAMs, see also the evgam package (Youngman, 2022).

Further models are:

- multinom → multinomial categorical;
 - @ cox.ph \to Cox Proportional Hazards model;
 - $oldsymbol{0}$ mvn ightarrow multivariate Gaussian model (fixed covariance).