

# Ve406 Lecture 19

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- Recall GLMs assumes  $Y$  follows a certain conditional distribution with

$$\mu_i = \mathbb{E}[Y_i | \mathbf{X}_i]$$

where  $\mu_i$  is modelled by a linear predictor via a link function

$$g(\mu_i) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \beta_2 x_{i2} + \cdots + \beta_k x_{ik}$$

- Generalised Additive Models (GAMs)** are an extension of GLMs to

$$g(\mu_i) = \beta_0 + f_1(x_{i1}) + f_2(x_{i2}) + \cdots + f_k(x_{ik})$$

where  $f_j$  are often piecewise smooth functions of  $x_{ij}$ .

- GAMs are an extension of additive models (AMs) which only model

$$\mu_i = \beta_0 + f_1(x_{i1}) + f_2(x_{i2}) + \cdots + f_k(x_{ik})$$

- GAMs provide a powerful data-driven of models, especially, predictive models

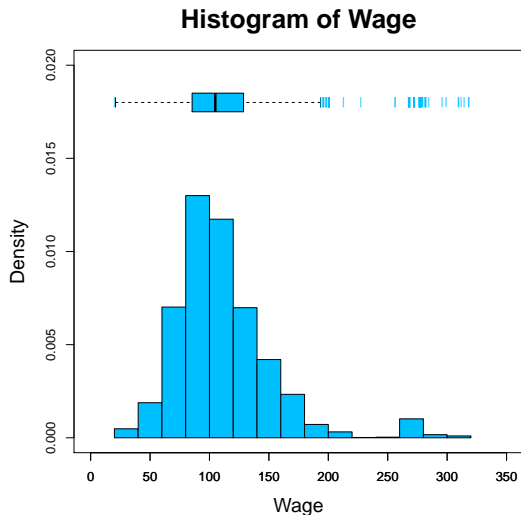
- Recall we struggled to obtain a satisfactory predictive model for the following

wage	Raw wage in the Mid-Atlantic region
age	Age of the worker
year	The year that wage information was recorded
education	A factor with levels: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. &lt; HS Grad</li><li>2. HS Grad</li><li>3. Some College</li><li>4. College Grad</li><li>5. Advanced Degree</li></ol>

```
> library(ISLR); wage.df =  
+   Wage[, c("year", "age", "education", "wage")]  
> str(wage.df)
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'data.frame':   3000 obs. of  4 variables:  
 $ year      : int   2006 2004 2003 2003 2005 2008 2009 2008 2006 2004 ...  
 $ age       : int   18 24 45 43 50 54 44 30 41 52 ...  
 $ education: Factor w/ 5 levels "1. < HS Grad",...: 1 4 3 4 2 4 3 3 3 2 ...  
 $ wage      : num   75 70.5 131 154.7 75 ...
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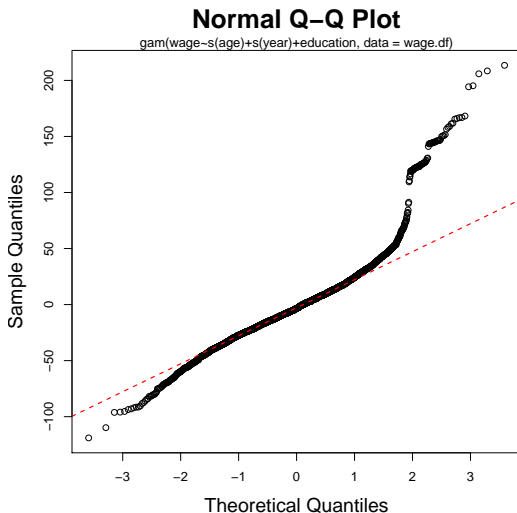
- Recall the outliers/extreme values in the wage was one of the concerns.



- An ordinary additive model is far from satisfactory.



- It is clear the errors are not normally distributed, and severely right skewed.



- The gamma distribution,

$$f_Y(y; \alpha, \theta) = \frac{\frac{1}{\theta}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left(\frac{y}{\theta}\right)^{\alpha-1} \exp\left(-\frac{y}{\theta}\right) \quad \text{where } \alpha > 0, \theta > 0$$

is a flexible distribution that can be used to model a response

$$y \in (0, \infty)$$

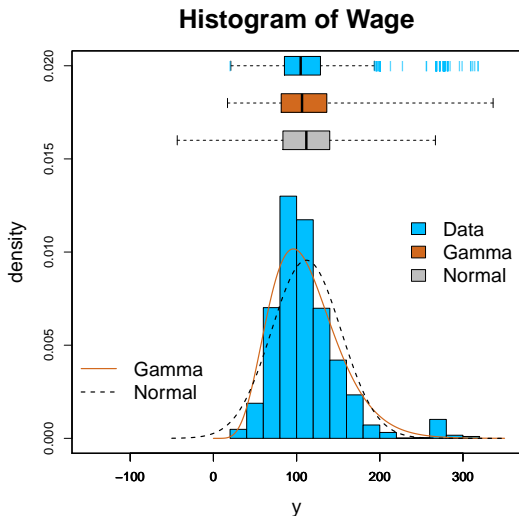
which it makes more sense than normal for a response can only be positive.

- The mean and variance of gamma distribution is given by

$$\mu = \mathbb{E}[Y] = \alpha\theta \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma^2 = \text{Var}[Y] = \alpha\theta^2 = \mu\theta$$

- This makes gamma useful to model increasing variability in the data.
- Having a longer right tail than normal makes gamma more suitable to model data that have a lot of unusually large values.

- Gamma is more flexible and more suitable for modelling wage.





- For known  $\alpha$ , the log-likelihood is given by

$$\ell = -\alpha \left( \frac{y_i}{\mu} + \ln \mu \right) + c(y_i, \alpha)$$

where  $c(y_i, \alpha)$  is a function of  $y_i$  and  $\alpha$  only.

- In terms of regression, it can be done under GLM and thus GAM using

$$g(\mu) = \mu^{-1} \quad \text{or} \quad g(\mu) = \ln(\mu)$$

as the link function and the shape parameter  $\alpha$  is assumed to be a constant.

- In terms of GLM,

$$\frac{1}{\mu_i} = \mathbf{x}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta} \implies \text{a plot of } x_{ij} \text{ Vs } \frac{1}{\bar{y}_i} \text{ should be roughly linear}$$

$$\ln \mu_i = \mathbf{x}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta} \implies \text{a plot of } x_{ij} \text{ Vs } \ln \bar{y}_i \text{ should be roughly linear}$$

where  $\bar{y}_i$  denotes the sample mean of  $y_i$  having the same value of  $x_{ij}$ .

- Of course, this requires we have repeated observations for each  $x_{ij}$ ,

```
> nrow(wage.df)
```

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[1] 3000
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```
> sort(unique(wage.df$age))
```

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[1] 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27
[11] 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37
[21] 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47
[31] 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57
[41] 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67
[51] 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77
[61] 80
```

```
> wage_age.df =
+   aggregate(list(wage = wage.df$wage),
+               by = list(age = wage.df$age), mean)
```

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> head(wage_age.df)
```

	age	wage
1	18	64.49306
2	19	53.99049
3	20	69.03334
4	21	75.90695
5	22	72.25167
6	23	74.73047

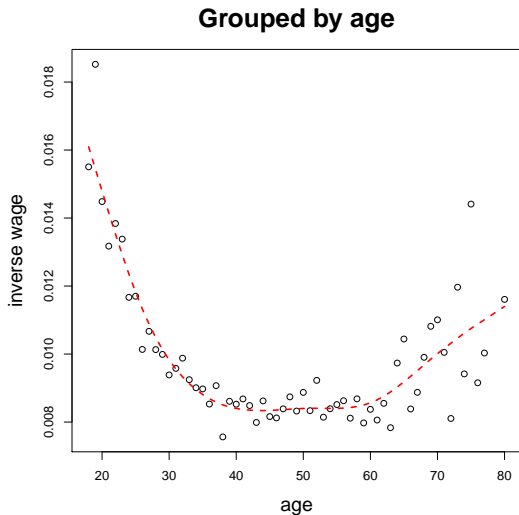
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> mean(wage.df$wage[wage.df$age == 18])
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[1] 64.49306
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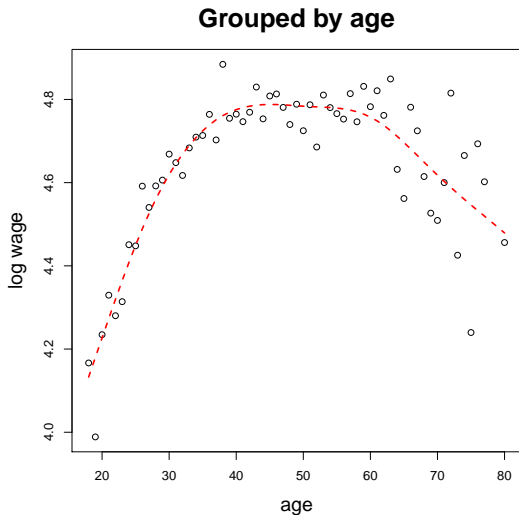
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> mean(wage.df$wage[wage.df$age == 19])
```

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[1] 53.99049
```

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- Instead of trying various transformation on  $x_{ij}$ , let us use smoothing spline

```
> library(gam)
>
> wage.inv.GAM =
+   gam(wage~s(age)+s(year)+education,
+       family = Gamma(link = "inverse"),
+       data = wage.df)
>
> wage.log.GAM =
+   gam(wage~s(age)+s(year)+education,
+       family = Gamma(link = "log"),
+       data = wage.df)
```

- Just like GLMs, GAMs do not possess additive residuals to the predictor

$$y_i \neq \beta_0 + \hat{f}_1(x_{i1}) + \hat{f}_2(x_{i2}) + \cdots + \hat{f}_k(x_{ik}) + \hat{\epsilon}_i$$

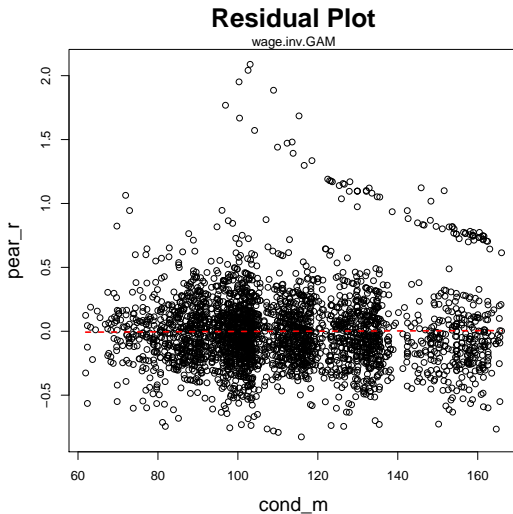
- In general, **Pearson residuals** for GLM and GAM are defined as

$$\hat{e}_i = \frac{y_i - \hat{\mu}_i}{\sqrt{\text{Var}[\hat{\mu}_i]}}$$

which should approximately have zero mean and constant variance.

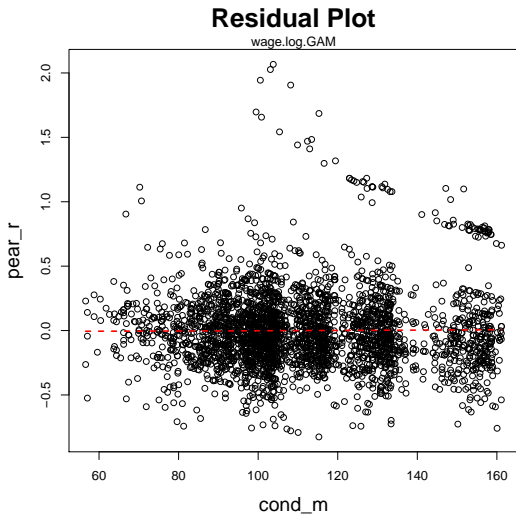
```
> res.inv.df = data.frame(  
+   cond_m = fitted(wage.inv.GAM),  
+   pear_r = residuals(wage.inv.GAM, type = "pearson"))  
  
> with(res.inv.df, plot(  
+   cond_m, pear_r, main = "Residual Plot",  
+   cex.lab = 1.5, cex.main = 2))  
>  
> with(res.inv.df, lines(smooth.spline(  
+   cond_m, pear_r), col = "red", lty = 2, lwd = 2))  
>  
> mtext("wage.inv.GAM")
```

- The residual plot indicates no problem other than the outliers

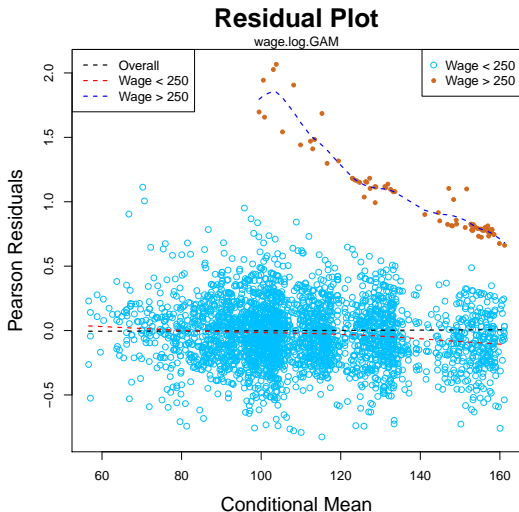




- We obtain a similar residual plot, so we expect similar results from both



- You might think the residual plot didn't improve much from our first model



- However, both Gamma regression model is far better than the original model

```
> sum(residuals(wage.normal.GAM, type="pearson")^2)
```

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[1] 3692824
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```
> sum(residuals(wage.inv.GAM, type="pearson")^2)
```

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[1] 260.4095
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```
> sum(residuals(wage.log.GAM, type="pearson")^2)
```

```
[1] 261.5848
```

- Like logistic and Poisson regression, deviance can be used to check goodness of fit, but unlike logistic and Poisson, we have to use the [scaled deviance](#)

$$D^* = \frac{D}{\hat{\phi}} \sim \chi^2_{n-(k+1)} \quad \text{where} \quad D = 2(\ell_{sat} - \ell_{prop})$$

and  $\hat{\phi}$  is MLE of dispersion parameter which is given by  $\phi = \frac{1}{\alpha}$  for Gamma.

```
> summary(wage.inv.GAM)
```

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(Dispersion Parameter for Gamma family taken to be 0.0872)
```

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Null Deviance: 371.6636 on 2999 degrees of freedom  
Residual Deviance: 248.1586 on 2987 degrees of freedom
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```
> 1 - pchisq(248.1586/0.0872, 2987)
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[1] 0.9676302
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```
> summary(wage.log.GAM)
```

```
(Dispersion Parameter for Gamma family taken to be 0.0876)
```

```
Null Deviance: 371.6636 on 2999 degrees of freedom  
Residual Deviance: 248.9206 on 2987 degrees of freedom
```

```
> 1 - pchisq(248.9206/0.0876, 2987)
```

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[1] 0.9715768
```

- However, since the two models are not nested, we CANNOT use deviance based test to judge which model is a better one.
- We could consider AIC of the three models

```
> AIC(wage.normal.GAM, wage.inv.GAM, wage.log.GAM);
```

	df	AIC
wage.normal.GAM	8	29888.23
wage.inv.GAM	8	29029.51
wage.log.GAM	8	29038.84

which seems to prefer the gamma regression with the inverse link.

- We could also use cross-validation to judge the quality of our models

```
> k = 100 # number of subsamples
> n = nrow(wage.df)
> n.test = n/k
> row.index = sample(1:n, n)
> pred.nor = matrix(0, nrow = n.test, ncol = k)
> pred.inv = matrix(0, nrow = n.test, ncol = k)
> pred.log = matrix(0, nrow = n.test, ncol = k)
```

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> for (i in 1:k){
+   start = (i-1)*n.test+1; end = i*n.test
+   index = row.index[start:end]
+   wage.inv.GAM = gam(wage~s(age)+s(year)+education,
+     data = wage.df[-index,])
+   pred.inv[, i] = predict(wage.inv.GAM,
+     wage.df[index,], type = "response")
+ }

> tmp = pred.nor[1:n] - wage.df[row.index, "wage"]
> mse.nor = mean((tmp)^2)
> tmp = pred.inv[1:n] - wage.df[row.index, "wage"]
> mse.inv = mean((tmp)^2)
> tmp = pred.log[1:n] - wage.df[row.index, "wage"]
> mse.log = mean((tmp)^2)

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Q: Which one do you think is the best model in terms of MSE estimated by CV?

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> c(mse.nor, mse.inv, mse.log)

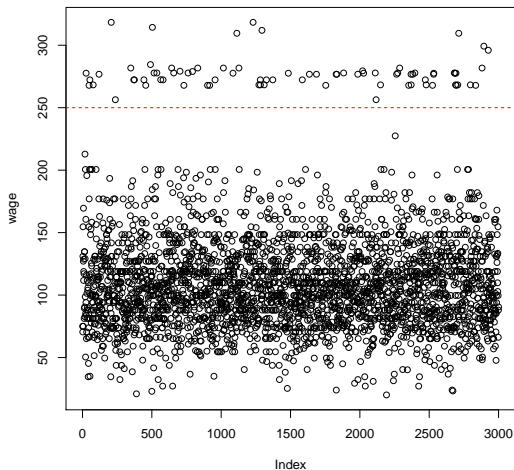
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[1] 1241.127 1231.781 1234.101

```

- Recall we didn't find any single variable that can be used to explain



- We could use logistic regression under GAM to see whether collectively age, year and education can explain this apparent separation in wage.

```
> wage.LG.GAM =  
+   gam(I(wage > 250)~s(age)+s(year)+education,  
+       data = Wage, family = binomial)  
  
> 1 - pchisq(wage.LG.GAM$deviance,  
+           wage.LG.GAM$df.residual)
```

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[1] 1
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which means there is no indication of lack of fit.

- This indicates that we probably should consider using mixture models, which will be covered next week, so we will revisit this dataset again!