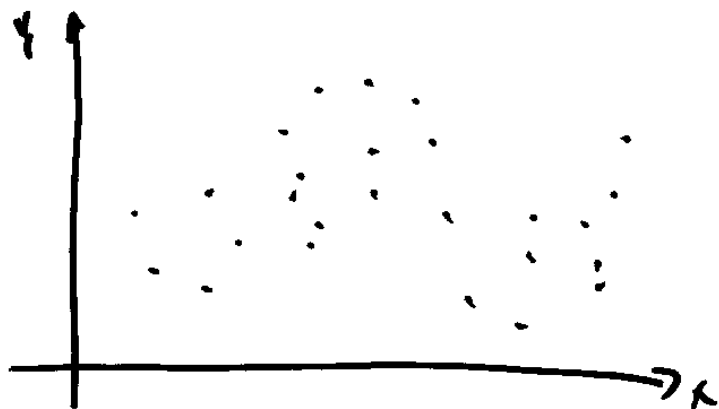


Kernel regression (model-free)

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In ordinary LS, $\hat{Y} = X\hat{\beta} = \underbrace{X(X'X)^{-1}X'}_H Y = HY$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{y}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \hat{y}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & \dots & h_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ h_{n1} & \dots & h_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{y}_i = \sum_{j=1}^n h_{ij} y_j$$

Define $\tilde{y}_i = \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} y_j$ ($\sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} = 1$), $\tilde{Y} = WY$

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How to construct the weights?

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Use a kernel function $K(t)$

such that ① $K(t) \geq 0 \quad \forall t$

$$\text{② } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} K(t) dt = 1$$

$$\text{③ } K(-t) = K(t)$$

Examples of kernel functions

$$\text{Box: } K(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & |t| \leq .5 \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Triangle: } K(t) = \begin{cases} 1 - \frac{|t|}{c} & |t| \leq \frac{1}{c} \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases} \quad \text{④}$$

$$\text{Normal: } K(t) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{t^2}{\sigma^2}}$$

$$\text{Then define } w_{ij} = \frac{K\left(\frac{x_i - x_j}{b}\right)}{\sum_{k=1}^n K\left(\frac{x_i - x_k}{b}\right)}$$

b = "bandwidth"

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Experiment with different kernels and bandwidths

Hope to see something like this:



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LOESS regression

(Locally-weighted regression)

First, define a neighborhood by a span.

$\text{Span} = .3 \Rightarrow$ use the closest 30% of the data to the point in question

Let x_i be a particular point, + let

$\Delta(x_i)$ = distance from x_i to the furthest point in the neighborhood.

$$\text{Let } t_{ij} = \frac{|x_i - x_j|}{D(x_i)}$$

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$$\text{Let } w_{ij} = \begin{cases} (1-t^3)^3 & 0 \leq t < 1 \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

Then do a weighted least squares to predict y_i .
Repeat for every x_i