

STAT 705 Generalized additive models

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Generalized additive model (GAM)

GAMs were originally invented by Hastie and Tibshirani in 1986 (1, 2). GAMs relax the restriction that the relationship must be a simple weighted sum, and instead assume that the outcome can be modelled by a sum of arbitrary functions of each covariate.

- 1 Hastie, Trevor and Tibshirani, Robert. (1990), Generalized Additive Models, New York; Chapman and Hall.
- 2 Hastie, Trevor and Tibshirani, Robert. (1986), Generalized Additive Models, Statistical Science, Vol. 1, No 3, 297-318.

Generalized additive model

We have $\{(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^n$, where y_1, \dots, y_n are normal, Bernoulli, or Poisson. The generalized additive model (GAM) is given by

$$h\{E(Y_i)\} = \beta_0 + g_1(x_{i1}) + \dots + g_k(x_{ik}),$$

for p predictor variables. Y_i is a member of an exponential family such as binomial, Poisson, normal, etc. h is a link function.

Each of $g_1(x), \dots, g_p(x)$ are modeled via cubic smoothing splines, each with their own smoothness parameters $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_p$ either specified as df_1, \dots, df_p or estimated through cross-validation. The model can be fit iteratively.

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One example of this is through a basis expansion; for the j th predictor the transformation is:

$$g_j(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{K_j} \theta_{jk} \psi_{jk}(x),$$

where $\{\psi_{jk}(\cdot)\}_{k=1}^{K_j}$ are B-spline basis functions, or sines/cosines, etc. This approach has gained more favor from Bayesians. Cubic smoothing splines is also a popular choice.

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This is an example of “nonparametric regression,” which ironically connotes the inclusion of *lots* of parameters rather than fewer.

Hastie and Tibshirani (1986, 1990) point out that the meaning of λ depends on the units x_i is measured in, but that λ can be picked to yield an “effective degrees of freedom” df or an “effective number of parameters” being used in $g(x)$. Then the complexity of $g(x)$ is equivalent to $(df - 1)$ -degree polynomial, but with the coefficients “spread out” more yielding a more flexible function that fits data better.

λ can be picked through cross validation, by minimizing

$$CV(\lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - g_{\lambda}^{-i}(x_i))^2.$$

Estimation: local scoring algorithm

$$\begin{aligned}E(Y|X) &= \mu \\h(\mu) &= \eta(X) \\ \eta &= \beta_0 + \sum_i^p g_i(X_i)\end{aligned}$$

Estimate $g_i(\cdot)$ through backfitting algorithm. For example, for a simple covariate Gaussian Y

- Initialization: $\beta_0 = E(Y)$, $s_1^1(\cdot) = \dots = s_p^1(\cdot) = 0$, $m = 0$
- Define $R_j = Y - \beta_0 - \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} s_k^m - \sum_{k=j+1}^p s_k^m$, then fit $s_j^{m+1} = E(R_j|X_j)$.
- Until $RSS = E[Y - \beta_0 - \sum_{k=1}^p s_k^m]^2$ fail to decrease

Estimation: local likelihood

The main idea behind local likelihood is to locally fit parametric models by maximum likelihood. For linear regression as an example:

$$l_{x,h}(\beta) = -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n [Y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1(X_i - x) - \dots - \beta_p(X_i - x)]^2 K_h(x - X_i).$$

Minimize the local likelihood w.r.t β .

Example: bike share data

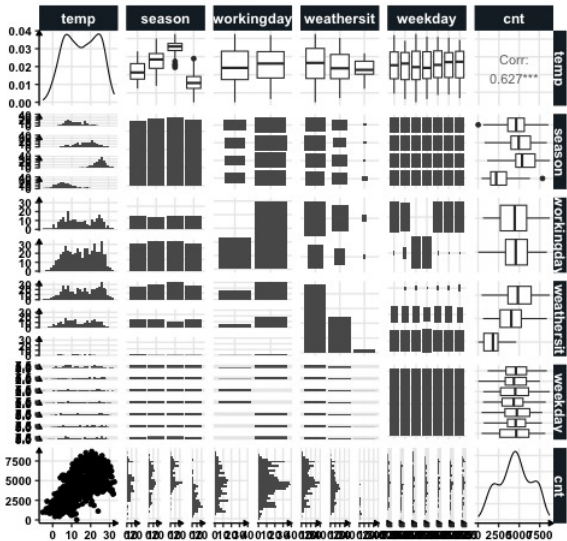
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> url<-"https://people.stat.sc.edu/hoyen/STAT705/Data/bike.csv"
> bikes<-read.csv(url)
> str(bikes)
'data.frame': 731 obs. of 12 variables:
 $ season      : chr  "WINTER" "WINTER" "WINTER" "WINTER" ...
 $ yr          : int   2011 2011 2011 2011 2011 2011 2011 2011 2011 2011 ...
 $ mnth        : chr   "JAN" "JAN" "JAN" "JAN" ...
 $ holiday     : chr   "NO HOLIDAY" "NO HOLIDAY" "NO HOLIDAY" "NO HOLIDAY" ...
 $ weekday     : chr   "SAT" "SUN" "MON" "TUE" ...
 $ workingday  : chr   "NO WORKING DAY" "NO WORKING DAY" "WORKING DAY" "WORKING DAY" ...
 $ weathersit   : chr   "MISTY" "MISTY" "GOOD" "GOOD" ...
 $ temp        : num   8.18 9.08 1.23 1.4 2.67 ...
 $ hum         : num   80.6 69.6 43.7 59 43.7 ...
 $ windspeed   : num   10.7 16.7 16.6 10.7 12.5 ...
 $ cnt         : int   985 801 1349 1562 1600 1606 1510 959 822 1321 ...
 $ days_since_2011: int    0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 ...
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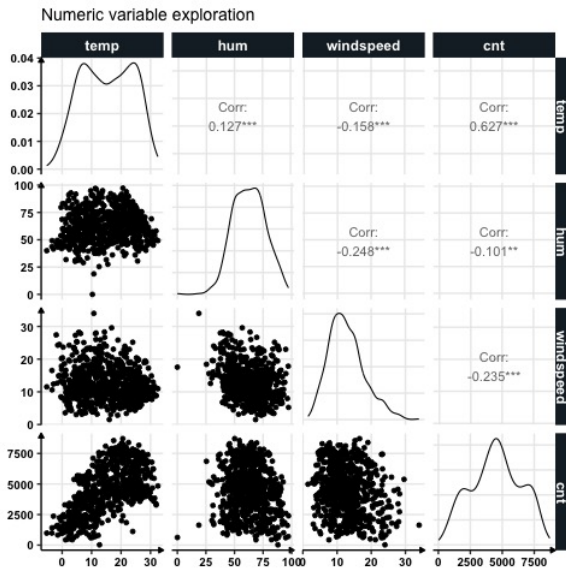
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> head(bikes)
  season  yr mnth  holiday weekday  workingday weathersit  temp  hum
1 WINTER 2011  JAN NO HOLIDAY   SAT NO WORKING DAY   MISTY 8.175849 80.5833
2 WINTER 2011  JAN NO HOLIDAY   SUN NO WORKING DAY   MISTY 9.083466 69.6087
3 WINTER 2011  JAN NO HOLIDAY   MON WORKING DAY     GOOD 1.229108 43.7273
4 WINTER 2011  JAN NO HOLIDAY   TUE WORKING DAY     GOOD 1.400000 59.0435
5 WINTER 2011  JAN NO HOLIDAY   WED WORKING DAY     GOOD 2.666979 43.6957
6 WINTER 2011  JAN NO HOLIDAY   THU WORKING DAY     GOOD 1.604356 51.8261
  windspeed  cnt days_since_2011
1 10.749882  985                0
2 16.652113  801                1
3 16.636703 1349                2
4 10.739832 1562                3
5 12.522300 1600                4
6  6.000868 1606                5
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Explore the data

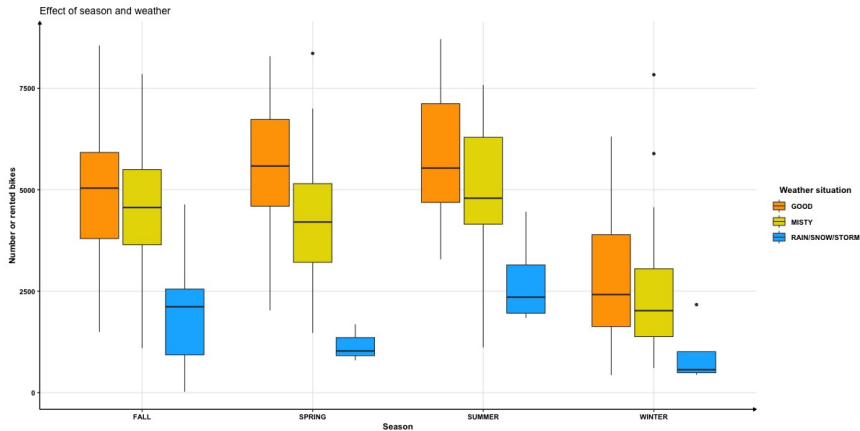
Numeric variable exploration



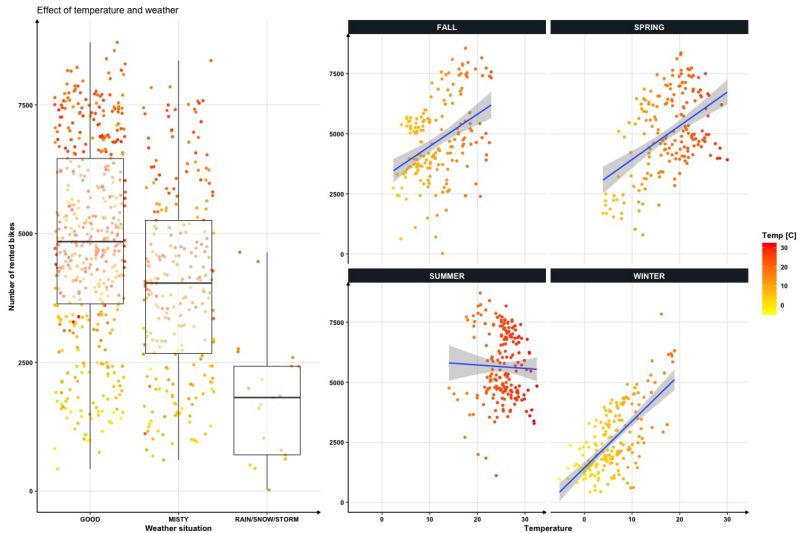
Explore the data



Temperature and weather



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GAM model

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> library(mgcv)
> M2 = gam(cnt ~ season + weathersit + s(days_since_2011, bs = "cr", k = 70) +
+         s(temp, bs = "cr", by = season, k = 15), data = bikes, family=quasipoisson(link = "log"))
>
> summary(M2)
Family: quasipoisson
Link function: log
Formula:
cnt ~ season + weathersit + s(days_since_2011, bs = "cr", k = 70) +
      s(temp, bs = "cr", by = season, k = 15)
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Parametric coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	8.67573	0.06583	131.781	< 2e-16 ***
seasonSPRING	-0.36329	0.08615	-4.217	2.81e-05 ***
seasonSUMMER	0.11888	0.11224	1.059	0.29
seasonWINTER	-0.39112	0.08577	-4.560	6.05e-06 ***
weathersitMISTY	-0.15401	0.01337	-11.521	< 2e-16 ***
weathersitRAIN/SNOW/STORM	-0.87218	0.05563	-15.677	< 2e-16 ***

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Approximate significance of smooth terms:

	edf	Ref.df	F	p-value
s(days_since_2011)	25.280	31.496	48.287	< 2e-16 ***
s(temp):seasonFALL	5.035	6.167	9.995	< 2e-16 ***
s(temp):seasonSPRING	2.751	3.487	14.882	< 2e-16 ***
s(temp):seasonSUMMER	2.098	2.647	18.589	7.19e-07 ***
s(temp):seasonWINTER	1.000	1.001	104.113	< 2e-16 ***

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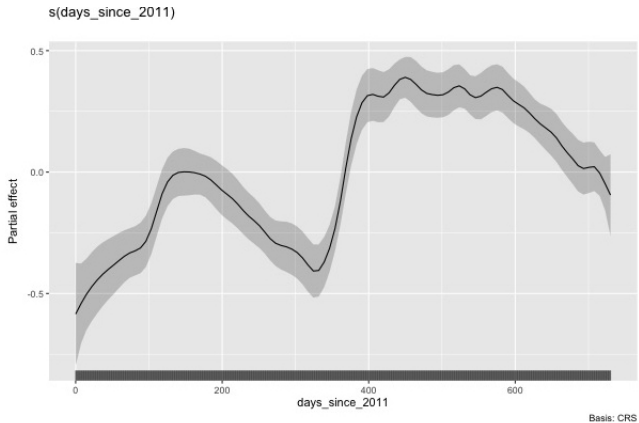
R-sq.(adj) = 0.88 Deviance explained = 87.5%
GCV = 128.74 Scale est. = 109.35 n = 731

Checking K value and edf

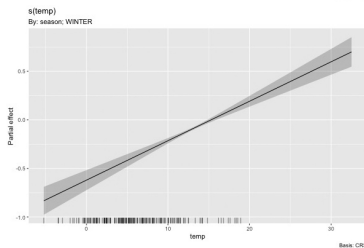
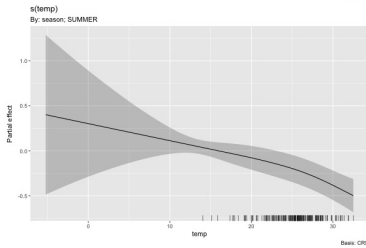
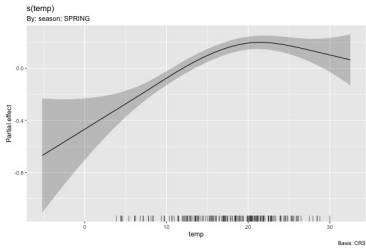
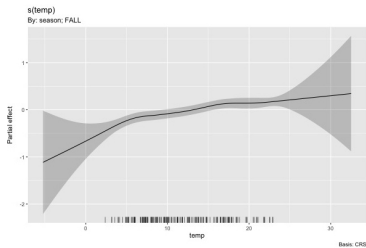
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> k.check(M2)
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	k'	edf	k-index	p-value
s(days_since_2011)	69	25.280111	0.7871581	0.0000
s(temp):seasonFALL	14	5.034919	0.9175327	0.0075
s(temp):seasonSPRING	14	2.751155	0.9175327	0.0250
s(temp):seasonSUMMER	14	2.097587	0.9175327	0.0100
s(temp):seasonWINTER	14	1.000275	0.9175327	0.0100

Results



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