

# Computer–assisted Generalized Partial Linear Models

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## Migration East→West Data:

GSOEP (spring 1991) on migration (intention),  
 $n = 3235$

- dependent variable

$$Y = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{intention to migrate} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- vector of 6 explanatory variables

|                              | Yes  | No   | (in %) |       |
|------------------------------|------|------|--------|-------|
| $Y$ migration intention      | 38.5 | 61.5 |        |       |
| $X_1$ family/friends in west | 85.6 | 14.4 |        |       |
| $X_2$ unemployed             | 19.7 | 80.3 |        |       |
| $X_3$ city size 10-100,000   | 29.3 | 70.7 |        |       |
| $X_4$ female                 | 51.1 | 48.9 |        |       |
|                              | Min  | Max  | Mean   | S.D.  |
| $X_5$ age                    | 18   | 65   | 39.8   | 12.6  |
| $T$ household income         | 200  | 4000 | 2194.3 | 752.4 |

How do the explanatory variables  $x$  (linear),  
 $t$  (nonlinear) influence

$$E(Y|x, t) = P(Y = 1|x, t)?$$

## Analytic framework: latent-variable model

- binary response model

$$Y = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } Y^* = v(x, t) - u > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- $Y^*$  = latent variable, net benefit from migrating
- $v(\bullet)$  = index function that relates  $x, t$  to  $Y^*$ , e.g.

$$v(x, t) = \beta^T x + \gamma^T t + \gamma_0 t$$

- $u$  = unobserved error term.

Suppose:  $G = G_{u|x,t}$  known (e.g. logistic) distribution function

### Generalized Linear Model (GLM)

$$* P(Y = 1|x, t) = G(\alpha + \beta^T x + \gamma^T t).$$

### Generalized Additive Model (GAM)

$$* P(Y = 1|x, t) = G\left(\alpha + \beta^T x + \sum_{j=1}^q m_j(t_j)\right).$$

### Partial Linear Model

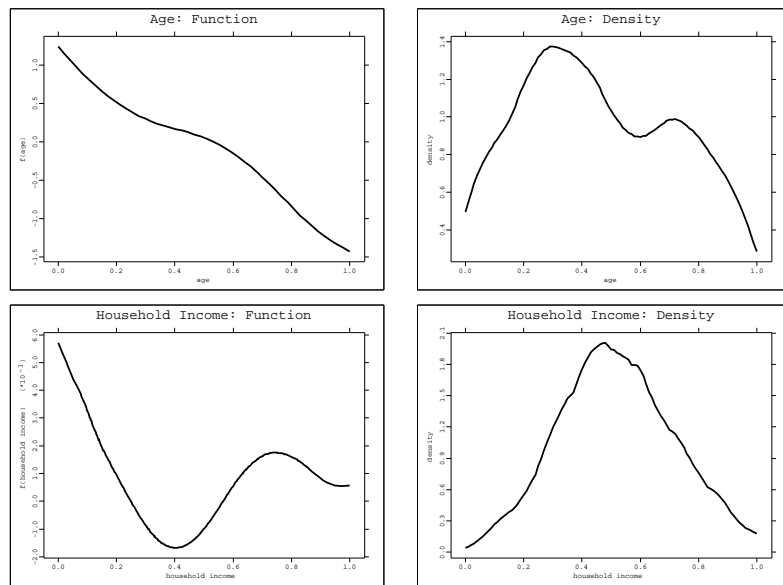
$$* P(Y = 1|x, t) = G\left(\beta^T x + m(t)\right).$$

### GAM fit for Migration data

Logit and GAM coefficients:

|                               | logit (s.d.)   | Coeff. |
|-------------------------------|----------------|--------|
| <b>const.</b>                 | -0.305 (0.177) | -0.534 |
| <b>family/friends in west</b> | 0.560 (0.115)  | 0.722  |
| <b>unemployed</b>             | 0.221 (0.096)  | 0.315  |
| <b>city size 10-100,000</b>   | 0.311 (0.083)  | 0.418  |
| <b>female</b>                 | -0.240 (0.076) | -0.159 |
| <b>age</b>                    | -2.208 (0.152) | —      |
| <b>household income</b>       | 0.540 (0.197)  | —      |

Estimates for continuous variables (GAM):



## Semiparametric Quasi-Likelihood estimation

Quasi-likelihood (log-Likelihood!)

$$Q(\mu; y) = \int_{\mu}^y \frac{(s - y)}{V(s)} ds$$

Linear Model

$$E(Y|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{t}) = \mu = G\{\mathbf{x}^T \boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbf{t}^T \boldsymbol{\gamma}\},$$

$$Var(Y|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{t}) = \sigma^2 V(\mu).$$

Partial linear model

$$E(Y|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{t}) = \mu = G\{\mathbf{x}^T \boldsymbol{\beta} + m(\mathbf{t})\},$$

$$Var(Y|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{t}) = \sigma^2 V(\mu).$$

## Estimation in a Partial Linear Model

- $\hat{\beta}$  can be found for known  $m$ ,
- $\hat{m}$  can be found for known  $\beta$ .

### Profile likelihood (P)

maximize usual likelihood

$$0 = \sum_{i=1}^n \ell'_i \{x_i^T \beta + m_{\beta}(t_i)\} \left\{ x_i + \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} m_{\beta}(t_i) \right\}$$

maximize smoothed quasi-likelihood

$$0 = \sum_{i=1}^n \ell'_i \{x_i^T \beta + m_{\beta}(t_j)\} K_h(t_i - t_j)$$

References:

Severini & Staniswalis (1994), Severini & Wong (1992),  
Hastie & Tibshirani (1990), Speckman (1988)

### Initialization

- Start with  $\tilde{\beta}$ ,  $\tilde{m}_j$  from a parametric (GLM) fit. Higher order polynomial terms in  $t$  may be included to allow for a nonlinear function  $\tilde{m}_j$ .
- Alternatively, it is possible to start with  $\beta = 0$  and  $m_j = G^{-1}(y_j)$  as for the index in GLM (with the adjustment  $m_j = G^{-1}\{(y_j + 0.5)/2\}$  for binary responses).

### Algorithm (P)

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- *updating step for  $\beta$*

$$\beta^{new} = \beta - \mathcal{B}^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \ell'_i(\mathbf{x}_i^T \beta + m_i) \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i$$

$$\mathcal{B} = \sum_{i=1}^n \ell''_i(\mathbf{x}_i^T \beta + m_i) \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i^T$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_j = \mathbf{x}_j - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \ell''_i(\mathbf{x}_i^T \beta + m_j) \mathcal{K}_{\mathbf{H}}(\mathbf{t}_i - \mathbf{t}_j) \mathbf{x}_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n \ell''_i(\mathbf{x}_i^T \beta + m_j) \mathcal{K}_{\mathbf{H}}(\mathbf{t}_i - \mathbf{t}_j)}.$$

- *updating step for  $m_j$*

$$m_j^{new} = m_j - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \ell'_i(\mathbf{x}_i^T \beta + m_j) \mathcal{K}_{\mathbf{H}}(\mathbf{t}_i - \mathbf{t}_j)}{\sum_{i=1}^n \ell''_i(\mathbf{x}_i^T \beta + m_j) \mathcal{K}_{\mathbf{H}}(\mathbf{t}_i - \mathbf{t}_j)}.$$

Define  $\mathcal{S}^P$  the smoother matrix

$$\mathcal{S}_{ij}^P = \frac{\ell''_i(\mathbf{x}_i^T \beta + m_j) \mathcal{K}_{\mathbf{H}}(\mathbf{t}_i - \mathbf{t}_j)}{\sum_{i=1}^n \ell''_i(\mathbf{x}_i^T \beta + m_j) \mathcal{K}_{\mathbf{H}}(\mathbf{t}_i - \mathbf{t}_j)}$$

### Algorithm (P)

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- *updating step for  $\beta$*

$$\beta^{new} = (\tilde{\mathcal{X}}^T \mathcal{W} \tilde{\mathcal{X}})^{-1} \tilde{\mathcal{X}}^T \mathcal{W} \tilde{\mathbf{z}}$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathcal{X}} &= (\mathcal{I} - \mathcal{S}^P) \mathcal{X}, \\ \tilde{\mathbf{z}} &= \tilde{\mathcal{X}} \beta - \mathcal{W}^{-1} \mathbf{v}. \end{aligned}$$

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$\mathcal{X}$  design,  $\mathcal{I}$  identity,  $\mathbf{v} = \ell'_i$ ,  $\mathcal{W} = \ell''_i$

## Backfitting

- ordinary partial linear model (identity  $G$ )

$$E(Y|\mathbf{x}, t) = \mathbf{x}^T \boldsymbol{\beta} + m(t)$$

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{P} = \mathcal{X}(\mathcal{X}^T \mathcal{X})^{-1} \mathcal{X}^T$  and  $\mathcal{S}$  a smoother matrix, then backfitting means to solve

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} &= \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{m}) \\ \mathbf{m} &= \mathcal{S}(\mathbf{y} - \mathcal{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}). \end{aligned}$$

- generalized partial linear model

$$E(Y|\mathbf{x}, t) = G\{\mathbf{x}^T \boldsymbol{\beta} + m(t)\}$$

$\Rightarrow$  backfitting for adjusted dependent variable

Reference: Hastie & Tibshirani (1990)

## Algorithm (B)

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- updating step for  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$

$$\boldsymbol{\beta}^{new} = (\mathcal{X}^T \mathcal{W} \tilde{\mathcal{X}})^{-1} \mathcal{X}^T \mathcal{W} \tilde{\mathbf{z}},$$

- updating step for  $\mathbf{m}$

$$\mathbf{m}^{new} = \mathcal{S}(\mathbf{z} - \mathcal{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}),$$

using the notations

$$\tilde{\mathcal{X}} = (\mathcal{I} - \mathcal{S})\mathcal{X},$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{z}} = (\mathcal{I} - \mathcal{S})\mathbf{z} = \tilde{\mathcal{X}}\boldsymbol{\beta} - \mathcal{W}^{-1}\mathbf{v}.$$

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$\mathcal{X}$  design,  $\mathcal{I}$  identity,  $\mathbf{v} = \ell'_i$ ,  $\mathcal{W} = \ell''_i$

Note that the update of the index  $\mathcal{X}\beta + \mathbf{m}$  can be expressed by a linear estimation matrix  $\mathcal{R}^B$ :

$$\mathcal{X}\beta^{new} + \mathbf{m}^{new} = \mathcal{R}^B \mathbf{z}$$

with

$$\mathcal{R}^B = \tilde{\mathcal{X}}\{\mathcal{X}^T \mathcal{W} \tilde{\mathcal{X}}\}^{-1} \mathcal{X}^T \mathcal{W} (\mathcal{I} - \mathcal{S}) + \mathcal{S}.$$

## Generalized Speckman Estimator

- ordinary partial linear model (identity  $G$ )

$$E(Y|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{t}) = \mathbf{x}^T \beta + m(\mathbf{t})$$

⇒ update for  $m$  and  $\beta$

$$\mathbf{m}^{new} = \mathcal{S}(\mathbf{y} - \mathcal{X}\beta)$$

$$\beta^{new} = (\tilde{\mathcal{X}}^T \mathcal{W} \tilde{\mathcal{X}})^{-1} \tilde{\mathcal{X}}^T \mathcal{W} \tilde{\mathbf{y}}$$

- generalized partial linear model

$$E(Y|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{t}) = G\{\mathbf{x}^T \beta + m(\mathbf{t})\}$$

⇒ above for adjusted dependent variable

Reference: Speckman (1988), Hastie & Tibshirani (1990)

### Algorithm (S)

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- updating step for  $\beta$

$$\beta^{new} = (\tilde{\mathcal{X}}^T \mathcal{W} \tilde{\mathcal{X}})^{-1} \tilde{\mathcal{X}}^T \mathcal{W} \tilde{\mathbf{z}},$$

- updating step for  $\mathbf{m}$

$$\mathbf{m}^{new} = \mathcal{S}(z - \mathcal{X}\beta)$$

using the notations

$$\tilde{\mathcal{X}} = (\mathcal{I} - \mathcal{S})\mathcal{X},$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{z}} = (\mathcal{I} - \mathcal{S})z = \tilde{\mathcal{X}}\beta - \mathcal{W}^{-1}\mathbf{v}.$$

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$\mathcal{X}$  design,  $\mathcal{I}$  identity,  $\mathbf{v} = \ell'_i$ ,  $\mathcal{W} = \ell''_i$

This method (S) shares the property of being linear on the variable  $z$ :

$$\mathcal{X}\beta^{new} + \mathbf{m}^{new} = \mathcal{R}^S z$$

with

$$\mathcal{R}^S = \tilde{\mathcal{X}}\{\tilde{\mathcal{X}}^T \mathcal{W} \tilde{\mathcal{X}}\}^{-1} \tilde{\mathcal{X}}^T \mathcal{W} (\mathcal{I} - \mathcal{S}) + \mathcal{S}.$$

Note that here in contrast to (B) always  $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$  is used.

## Likelihood ratio test and approximate degrees of freedom

LR test statistic

$$R = 2 \sum_{i=1}^n L(\hat{\mu}_i, y_i) - L(\tilde{\mu}_i, y_i)$$

semiparametric:  $\hat{\mu}_i = G\{\mathbf{x}_i^T \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} + \hat{m}(\mathbf{t}_i)\}$

parametric:  $\tilde{\mu}_i = G\{\mathbf{x}_i^T \tilde{\boldsymbol{\beta}} + \mathbf{t}^T \tilde{\boldsymbol{\gamma}} + \tilde{\gamma}_0\}$

Deviance

$$D(\mathbf{y}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) = 2 \sum_{i=1}^n L(\mu_i^{max}, y_i) - L(\hat{\mu}_i, y_i)$$

⇒

$$R = D(\mathbf{y}, \tilde{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) - D(\mathbf{y}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}})$$

If at convergence of iterative estimation:

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\eta}} = \mathcal{R}\mathbf{z} = \mathcal{R}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\eta}} - \mathcal{W}^{-1}\mathbf{v}.)$$

then

$$D(\mathbf{y}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) \approx (\mathbf{z} - \hat{\boldsymbol{\eta}})^T \mathcal{W}^{-1} (\mathbf{z} - \hat{\boldsymbol{\eta}})$$

**approximate degrees of freedom**

$$df^{err}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) = n - \text{tr}(2\mathcal{R} - \mathcal{R}^T \mathcal{W} \mathcal{R} \mathcal{W}^{-1})$$

or

$$df^{err}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) = n - \text{tr}(\mathcal{R})$$

Reference: Hastie & Tibshirani (1990)

For backfitting (B) and algorithm (S)

$$\hat{\eta} = \mathcal{R}z$$

For profile likelihood (P) approximately

$$\mathcal{R}^P = \tilde{\mathcal{X}}\{\tilde{\mathcal{X}}^T \mathcal{W} \tilde{\mathcal{X}}\}^{-1} \tilde{\mathcal{X}}^T \mathcal{W} (\mathcal{I} - \mathcal{S}^P) + \mathcal{S}$$

where  $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$  denotes  $(\mathcal{I} - \mathcal{S}^P)\mathcal{X}$ .

### Modified likelihood ratio test

bias-corrected parametric estimate

$$\bar{m}(t_j)$$

from

$$\{G(\mathbf{x}_i^T \tilde{\boldsymbol{\beta}} + t_i^T \tilde{\boldsymbol{\gamma}} + \tilde{\gamma}_0), \mathbf{x}_i, t_i\}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

### modified LR statistic

$$R^\mu = 2 \sum_{i=1}^n L(\hat{\mu}_i, \hat{\mu}_i) - L(\bar{\mu}_i, \hat{\mu}_i)$$

References: Härdle, Mammen & Müller (1996)

asymptotically equivalent

$$\tilde{R}^\mu = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left\{ \mathbf{x}_i^T (\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \tilde{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) + \hat{m}(t_i) - \bar{m}(t_i) \right\}^2$$

with

$$w_i = \frac{[G' \{ \mathbf{x}_i^T \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} + \hat{m}(t_i) \}]^2}{V[G \{ \mathbf{x}_i^T \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} + \hat{m}(t_i) \}]}.$$

### Asymptotic Normality

*Under linearity hypothesis*

$$(i) \quad R^\mu = \tilde{R}^\mu + o_p(v_n),$$

$$(ii) \quad v_n^{-1}(R^\mu - e_n) \xrightarrow{D} (0, 1),$$

where

$$e_n = \left\{ \lambda_T \cdot \int K(u)^2 du \right\} \{h_1 \dots h_q\}^{-1},$$

$$v_n^2 = 2 \left[ \lambda_T \int \{K \star K(u)\}^2 du \right] \{h_1 \dots h_q\}^{-1},$$

### Bootstrap works

*It holds*

$$d_K(R_j^*, R^\mu) \xrightarrow{P} 0$$

where  $d_K$  denotes the Kolmogorov distance.

1. Generate samples  $y_1^*, \dots, y_n^*$  with

$$\begin{aligned} E^*(y_i^*) &= G(\mathbf{x}_i^T \tilde{\boldsymbol{\beta}} + \mathbf{t}_i^T \tilde{\boldsymbol{\gamma}} + \gamma_0) \\ \text{var}^*(y_i^*) &= \hat{\sigma}^2 V\{G(\mathbf{x}_i^T \tilde{\boldsymbol{\beta}} + \mathbf{t}_i^T \tilde{\boldsymbol{\gamma}} + \gamma_0)\}. \end{aligned}$$

2. Calculate estimates based on the bootstrap samples and finally the test statistics  $R^*$ . The quantiles of the distribution of  $R$  are estimated by the quantiles of the conditional distributions of  $R^*$ .

## Simulations

A logit model was used to simulate data:

$$E(Y|\mathbf{X}, T) = P(Y = 1|\mathbf{X}, T) = F\{\mathbf{X}^T\boldsymbol{\beta} + m(T)\}$$

- $\boldsymbol{\beta} = (\beta_1, \beta_2)^T = (2, -1)^T$
- under the hypothesis:  $m(t) = t$ ,  
under the alternative:  $m(t) = \cos(\pi t)$ ,

$T$  and  $X_1$  are independent and uniform on  $[-1, 1]$ ,  
 $X_2$  is discretization of  $\cos\{\pi(\rho T + (1 - \rho)U)\}$

independent design:  $\rho = 0$ ,

dependent design:  $\rho = 0.7$ .

|                    | $\hat{\mu}$ | $\hat{m}$ | $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ | $D$     | $df^{err}$ |
|--------------------|-------------|-----------|----------------------------|---------|------------|
| GPLM (P)           | 1.323       | 0.255     | 0.187                      | 101.726 | 94.47      |
| GPLM (S)           | 1.271       | 0.243     | 0.164                      | 101.947 | 94.52      |
| GPLM (B)           | 1.229       | 0.242     | 0.143                      | 102.122 | 94.53      |
| GPLM (MB)          | 1.229       | 0.242     | 0.143                      | 102.124 | 94.50      |
| $n = 100, h = 0.6$ |             |           |                            |         |            |
| GPLM (P)           | 0.582       | 0.115     | 0.064                      | 261.143 | 243.83     |
| GPLM (S)           | 0.577       | 0.117     | 0.060                      | 261.468 | 243.88     |
| GPLM (B)           | 0.559       | 0.121     | 0.056                      | 261.698 | 243.90     |
| GPLM (MB)          | 0.559       | 0.121     | 0.056                      | 261.699 | 243.87     |
| $n = 250, h = 0.5$ |             |           |                            |         |            |
| GPLM (P)           | 0.316       | 0.064     | 0.035                      | 523.840 | 492.89     |
| GPLM (S)           | 0.318       | 0.065     | 0.033                      | 524.233 | 492.93     |
| GPLM (B)           | 0.316       | 0.068     | 0.032                      | 524.473 | 493.95     |
| GPLM (MB)          | 0.316       | 0.068     | 0.032                      | 524.473 | 493.93     |
| $n = 500, h = 0.4$ |             |           |                            |         |            |

Table 1: Mean ASE's for  $\mu$  ( $\times 100$ ),  $m$  and  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ , mean deviances and mean degrees of freedom. Model under alternative, independent design, 500 Monte-Carlo's.

|                    | $\hat{\mu}$ | $\hat{m}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ | $D$     | $df^{err}$ |
|--------------------|-------------|-----------|---------------|---------|------------|
| GPLM (P)           | 1.416       | 0.280     | 0.277         | 115.986 | 94.44      |
| GPLM (S)           | 1.351       | 0.273     | 0.273         | 116.190 | 94.55      |
| GPLM (B)           | 1.403       | 0.344     | 0.345         | 116.823 | 94.66      |
| GPLM (MB)          | 1.403       | 0.344     | 0.345         | 116.823 | 94.48      |
| $n = 100, h = 0.6$ |             |           |               |         |            |
| GPLM (P)           | 0.654       | 0.128     | 0.096         | 295.133 | 243.77     |
| GPLM (S)           | 0.641       | 0.131     | 0.091         | 295.442 | 243.88     |
| GPLM (B)           | 0.697       | 0.193     | 0.168         | 296.618 | 243.99     |
| GPLM (MB)          | 0.697       | 0.193     | 0.167         | 296.607 | 243.84     |
| $n = 250, h = 0.5$ |             |           |               |         |            |
| GPLM (P)           | 0.342       | 0.068     | 0.050         | 594.150 | 492.82     |
| GPLM (S)           | 0.340       | 0.070     | 0.049         | 594.497 | 492.92     |
| GPLM (B)           | 0.382       | 0.106     | 0.094         | 595.873 | 493.02     |
| GPLM (MB)          | 0.382       | 0.106     | 0.093         | 595.864 | 492.89     |
| $n = 500, h = 0.4$ |             |           |               |         |            |

Table 2: Mean ASE's for  $\mu$  ( $\times 1000$ ),  $m$  and  $\beta$ , mean deviances and mean degrees of freedom. Model under alternative, dependent design, 500 Monte-Carlo's.

| $\alpha$              | 0.01  | 0.05  | 0.10  | 0.20  |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| $R$ parametric        | 0.016 | 0.056 | 0.108 | 0.224 |
| $R$ (P)               | 0.016 | 0.084 | 0.180 | 0.348 |
| $R$ (S)               | 0.016 | 0.080 | 0.168 | 0.348 |
| $R$ (B)               | 0.016 | 0.076 | 0.184 | 0.376 |
| $R$ (MB)              | 0.008 | 0.072 | 0.156 | 0.300 |
| $R^\mu$ (P) bootstrap | 0.032 | 0.056 | 0.108 | 0.212 |
| $n = 100, h = 0.6$    |       |       |       |       |
| $R$ parametric        | 0.020 | 0.052 | 0.104 | 0.188 |
| $R$ (P)               | 0.020 | 0.056 | 0.144 | 0.316 |
| $R$ (S)               | 0.016 | 0.060 | 0.144 | 0.312 |
| $R$ (B)               | 0.016 | 0.060 | 0.144 | 0.324 |
| $R$ (MB)              | 0.012 | 0.052 | 0.140 | 0.292 |
| $R^\mu$ (P) bootstrap | 0.028 | 0.044 | 0.100 | 0.196 |
| $n = 250, h = 0.5$    |       |       |       |       |

Table 3: Percentage of rejections. Model under hypothesis, dependent design, 250 Monte-Carlo's.

| $\alpha$              | 0.01               | 0.05  | 0.10  | 0.20  |
|-----------------------|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| $R$ parametric        | 0.836              | 0.944 | 0.972 | 0.988 |
| $R$ (P)               | 0.764              | 0.916 | 0.960 | 0.984 |
| $R$ (S)               | 0.768              | 0.920 | 0.964 | 0.992 |
| $R$ (B)               | 0.760              | 0.928 | 0.964 | 0.996 |
| $R$ (MB)              | 0.728              | 0.904 | 0.952 | 0.984 |
| $R^\mu$ (P) bootstrap | 0.832              | 0.936 | 0.952 | 0.976 |
|                       | $n = 100, h = 0.6$ |       |       |       |
| $R$ parametric        | 1.000              | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| $R$ (P)               | 0.996              | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| $R$ (S)               | 0.996              | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| $R$ (B)               | 0.996              | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| $R$ (MB)              | 0.996              | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| $R^\mu$ (P) bootstrap | 0.996              | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
|                       | $n = 250, h = 0.5$ |       |       |       |

Table 4: Percentage of rejections. Model under alternative, dependent design, 250 Monte–Carlo's.

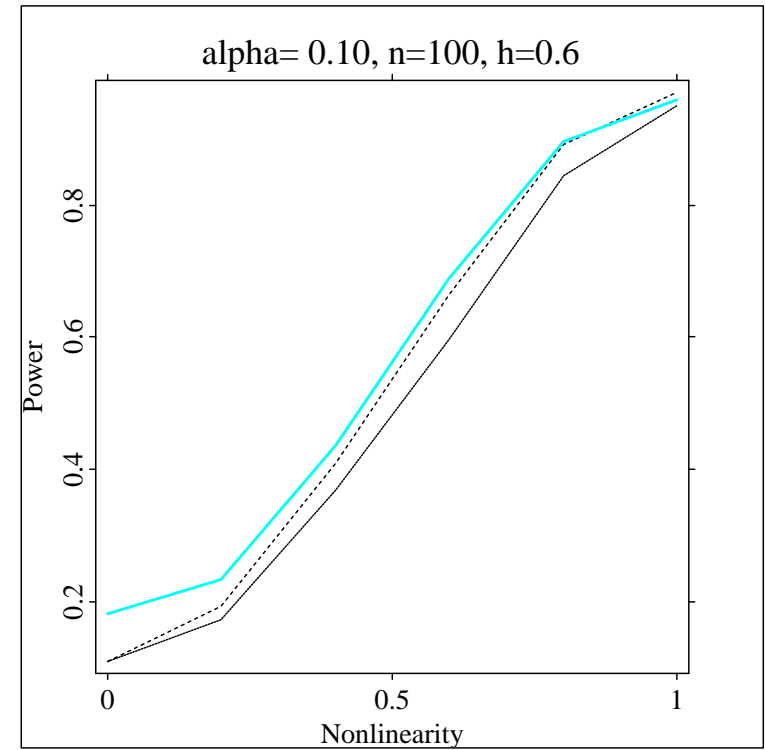


Figure 1: Power of likelihood ratio statistics  $R$  (P),  $R^\mu$  (P) and  $R$  parametric (grey, black and dashed).  $n = 100$ , dependent design, 250 Monte–Carlo replications.

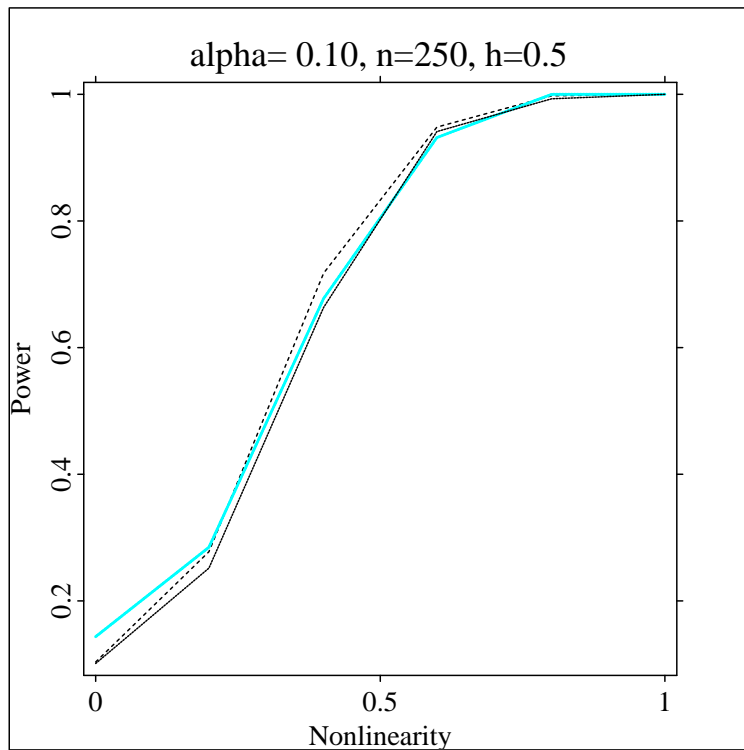


Figure 2: Power of likelihood ratio statistics  $R$  ( $P$ ),  $R^\mu$  ( $P$ ) and  $R$  parametric (grey, black and dashed).  $n = 250$ , dependent design, 250 Monte-Carlo replications.

### Example: Migration

|       |                       | Yes  | No   | (in %)  |        |
|-------|-----------------------|------|------|---------|--------|
| $Y$   | <b>migration</b>      | 39.9 | 60.1 |         |        |
| $X_1$ | <b>family/friends</b> | 88.8 | 11.2 |         |        |
| $X_2$ | <b>unemployed</b>     | 21.1 | 78.9 |         |        |
| $X_3$ | <b>city size</b>      | 35.8 | 64.2 |         |        |
| $X_4$ | <b>female</b>         | 50.2 | 49.8 |         |        |
|       |                       | Min  | Max  | Mean    | S.D.   |
| $X_5$ | <b>age (years)</b>    | 18   | 65   | 39.93   | 12.89  |
| $T$   | <b>income (DM)</b>    | 400  | 4000 | 2262.22 | 769.82 |

Table 5: Descriptive statistics for migration data. Sample from Mecklenburg-Vorpommern,  $n = 402$ .

## Estimated Coefficients

|          | Logit ( $t$ value) | (P)                 | (S)    | (B)    |
|----------|--------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|
| constant | -0.358 (-0.68)     | -                   | -      | -      |
| $X_1$    | 0.589 ( 1.54)      | 0.600               | 0.599  | 0.395  |
| $X_2$    | 0.780 ( 2.81)      | 0.800               | 0.794  | 0.765  |
| $X_3$    | 0.822 ( 3.39)      | 0.842               | 0.836  | 0.784  |
| $X_4$    | -0.388 (-1.68)     | -0.402              | -0.400 | -0.438 |
| $X_5$    | -3.364 (-6.92)     | -3.329              | -3.313 | -3.468 |
| $T$      | 1.084 ( 1.90)      | -                   | -      | -      |
|          | Linear (GLM)       | Part. Linear (GPLM) |        |        |

Table 6: Logit coefficients and coefficients in GPLM for migration data. Sample from Mecklenburg-Vorpommern.  $n = 402$ ,  $h = 0.3$  for the GPLM.

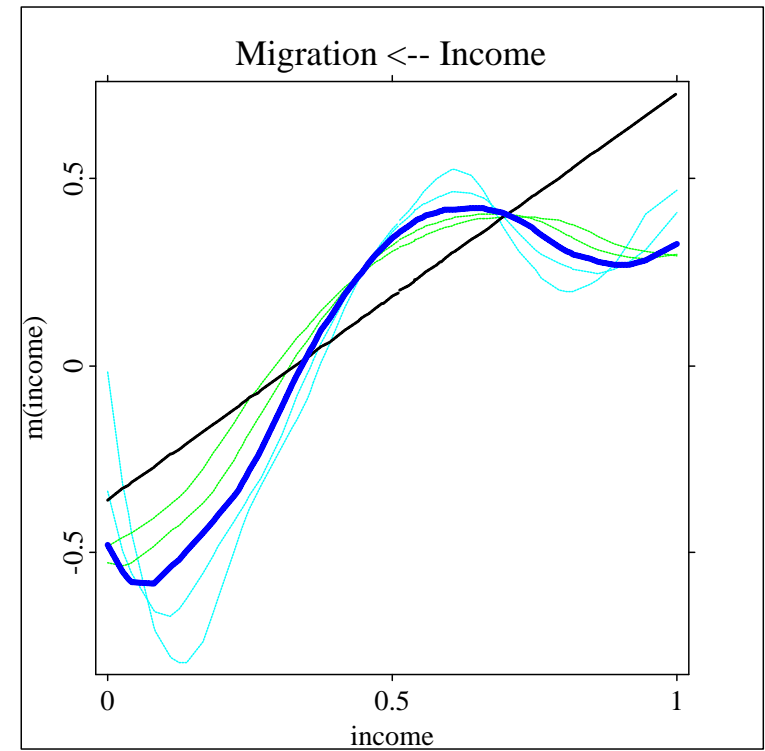


Figure 3: GPLM logit fit for migration data. Profile likelihood estimator (P) for  $m$ , with  $h = 0.3$  (thick curve),  $h = 0.2$ ,  $h = 0.25$ ,  $h = 0.35$ ,  $h = 0.4$  (thin curves) and parametric logit fit (medium line).

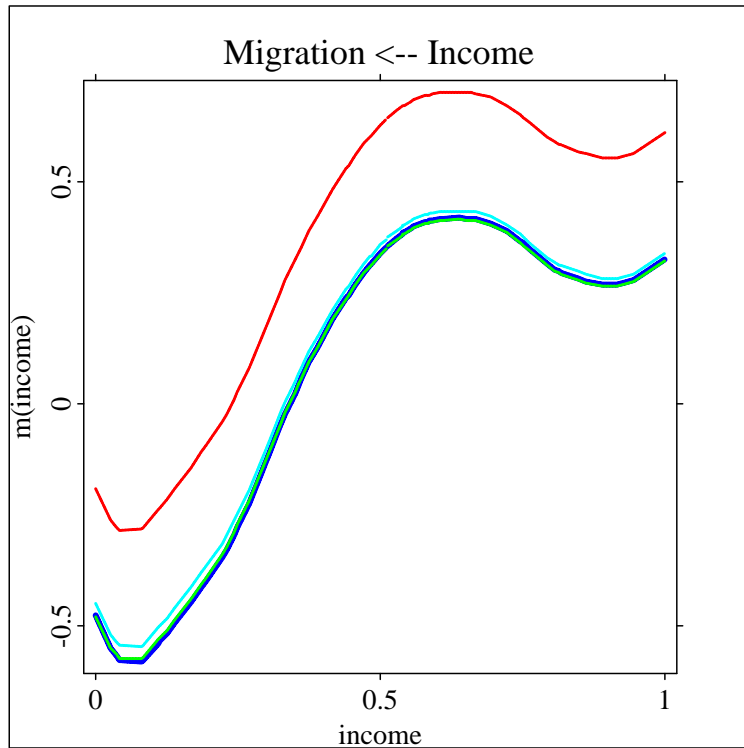


Figure 4: GPLM logit fit for migration data. Profile likelihood and simple profile likelihood (lower curves), backfitting (upper curve),  $h = 0.3$ .

### Test results

| $h$                  | 0.20  | 0.25  | 0.30  | 0.35  | 0.40  |
|----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| $R(P)$               | 0.066 | 0.054 | 0.048 | 0.045 | 0.035 |
| $R(S)$               | 0.068 | 0.055 | 0.047 | 0.044 | 0.033 |
| $R(B)$               | 0.073 | 0.064 | 0.062 | 0.069 | 0.068 |
| $R(MB)$              | 0.068 | 0.056 | 0.048 | 0.045 | 0.035 |
| $R^\mu(P)$ bootstrap | 0.065 | 0.054 | 0.042 | 0.042 | 0.045 |

Table 7: Observed significance levels for linearity test for migration data,  $n = 402$ . 500 bootstrap replications.

## Computational Issues

updating step for  $m_j = m_{\beta}(t_j)$

Algorithm (P):

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \delta_{ij} K_{\mathbf{H}}(\mathbf{t}_i - \mathbf{t}_j)$$

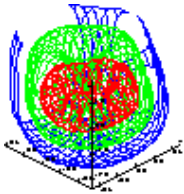
Algorithm (B), (S):

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \delta_i K_{\mathbf{H}}(\mathbf{t}_i - \mathbf{t}_j)$$

$O(n^2)$  operations

## Conclusions

- Backfitting (B) is best under independence. (S) seems best otherwise.
- For large  $n$ : (P)  $\approx$  (S)
- In testing parametric versus nonparametric (P) and (S) work well with approximate degrees of freedom. Bootstrapping  $R^M$  improves.
- (S) seems a good compromise between accuracy and computational efficiency in estimation and specification testing.



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