## Regression on a Graph

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#### Regression

- Example: Scatterplot Smoothing
- Example: Image Analysis
- Example: UK House Prices

#### 2 Graphs

- Regression on a Graph
  Signal + Noise Model
  - Graphs in Statistics
  - Regression Tradeoff

### Regression: Scatterplot Smoothing



Davies and Kovac, 2001, Ann. Stat. 29, p1-65.

# Regression: Image Analysis



### Regression: Image Analysis



Polzehl and Spokoiny, 2000, JRSSB 62, p355-54.

### Regression: Kernel Smoothing



#### Regression: UK House Prices



# Graphs





 $(\mathcal{V},\mathcal{E})$ 

Graphical structures can be found in ...

- Scatterplot smoothing
- Image analysis
- Disease risk mapping
- Discrete spatial variation
- Longitudinal data
- . . .

# $\mathsf{Data} = \mathsf{Signal} + \mathsf{Noise}$



Suppose the observations come from a graph  $(\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E})$ . Given response observations y we estimate the signal function f that best approximates the data, according to

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \mathsf{Data} &=& \mathsf{Signal} &+& \mathsf{Noise} \\ y_i &=& f_i &+& \sigma z_i, \quad i \in \mathcal{V} \end{array}$$

- An observation at every vertex
- Edges tell us which observations are close together

# Scatterplot Smoothing Graph



$$\mathcal{V} = \{1, \ldots, n\}$$
  $\mathcal{E} = \{\{1, 2\}, \{2, 3\}, \ldots, \{n - 1, n\}\}$ 

### Image Analysis Graph



 $\mathcal{V} = \mathsf{pixels} \quad \mathcal{E} = \mathsf{borders} \ \mathsf{between} \ \mathsf{pixels}$ 

#### UK House Price Graph



- $\mathcal{V} = \text{ post towns}$
- $\mathcal{E} =$  neighbouring towns

# **Regression Tradeoff**



Too far from data

Too rough

 $\Leftrightarrow$ 

#### Too far from data $\Leftrightarrow$ Too rough

- Measure distance from data at the vertices
- Measure roughness at the edges of the graph

## Scatterplot Smoothing

- Measure distance from data at the vertices
- Measure roughness at the edges of the graph

Minimise

 $\mathsf{Distance} + \lambda \times \mathsf{Roughness}$ 

• Might have to use a new algorithm



# Image Analysis





# Image Analysis



Kernel smoothing



Penalised regression

# Image Analysis



Kernel smoothing



Penalised regression

# **UK House Prices**



# Summary



- Many problems in regression have a graphical interpretation.
- Measure distance from data and roughness on the graph. This is called penalised regression.
- We have developed a fast algorithm for producing these fits.