

Examples of fitting various piecewise-continuous functions to data, using basis functions in doing the regressions.

Change log:

01nov23: minor revisions of 16jul23 version: I had left out the basis functions for the first example; a few small changes in text

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These examples in this document used R to do the regression. See also *Notes_on_piecewise_continuous_regression.doc* for more detail on why the basis functions used below guarantee continuity at the breakpoints.

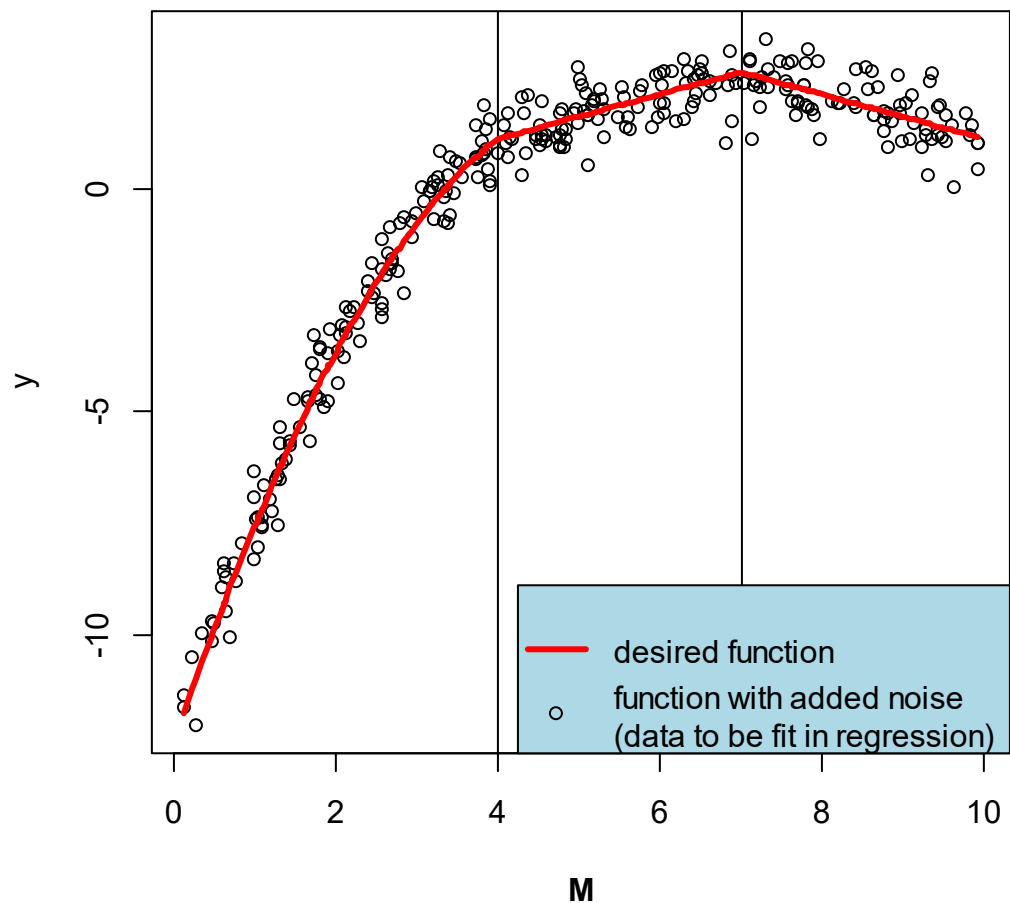
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#####  
# Based on Eric Thompson's program piecewise-continuous.R, using DMB basis  
# functions  
  
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Title <- "QUADRATIC, LINEAR, LINEAR"  
# Define function  
# quadratic, M<4, linear, M 4 to 7, linear M>7  
  
# Breakpoints:  
c <- c(4, 7)  
y <- function(M,c){  
  ifelse(M<c[1],1.13+1.4*(M-c[1])-0.5*(M-c[1])^2,  
    ifelse(M<=c[2],1.13+0.5*(M-c[1]), 1.13+0.5*(c[2]-c[1])-0.5*(M-c[2])))  
}  
  
#Generate data  
set.seed(1)  
n <- 300  
M <- runif(n, 0, 10)  
Msorted <- sort(M)  
  
# Add some noise:  
yn <- y(M,c) + rnorm(n, sd = 0.5)  
  
plot(M, yn, xlab=substitute(paste(italic("M"))), ylab="y", col="black",  
main=Title)
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abline(v = c)
lines(Msorted, y(Msorted,c),lwd=3, col="red")
legend("bottomright", legend=c("desired function", "function with added
noise\n(data to be fit in regression)"),
      lty=c(1,NA), lwd=c(3,NA), pch=c(NA,1), col=c("red", "black"),
      bg="lightblue")

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plot(Msorted, b1(Msorted,c[1]), xlab=substitute(paste(bold("M"))),
      ylab="basis function",
      ylim=c(-0.25,18.0), type="l", col = "blue", lwd=3, main=Title)
lines(Msorted, b1.2(Msorted,c[1]), col = "red", lwd=3)
lines(Msorted, b2(Msorted,c[1],c[2]), col = "green", lwd=3)
lines(Msorted, b3(Msorted,c[2]), col = "purple", lwd=3)
abline(v = c)

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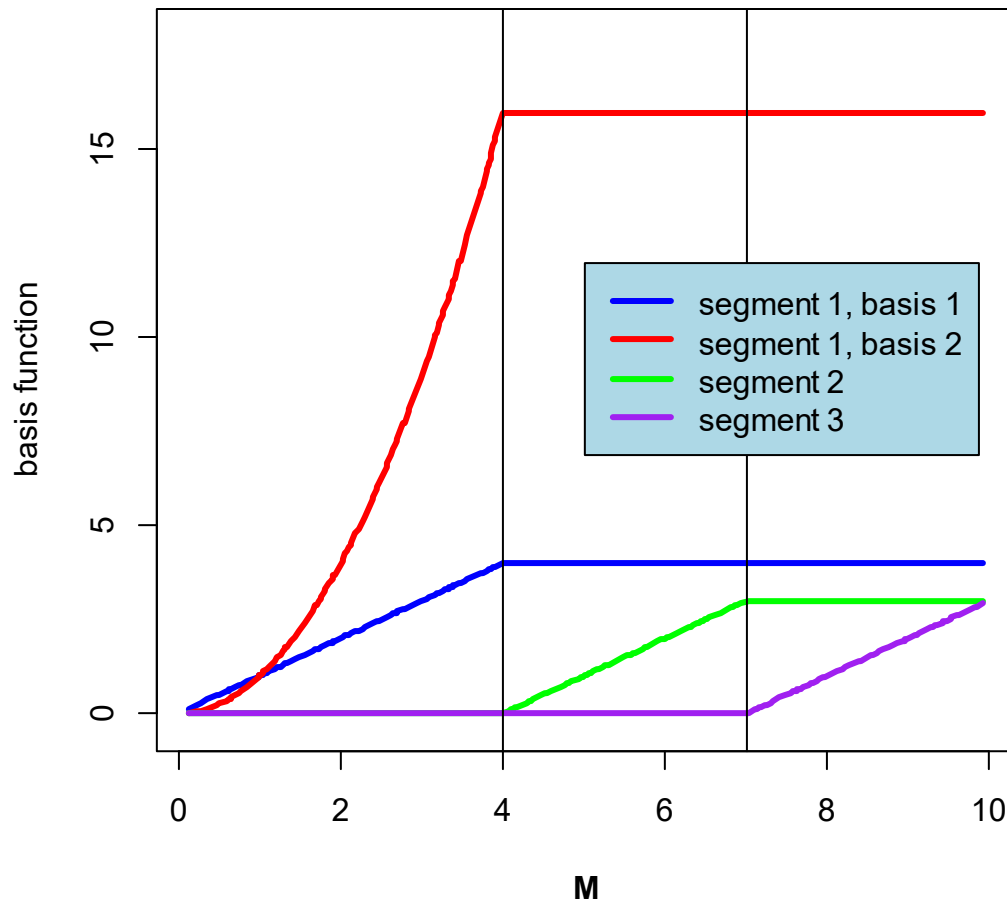
legend(5,12, legend=c("segment 1, basis 1","segment 1, basis 2", "segment 2",
"segment 3"),
      lty=rep(1,4), lwd=rep(3,4), col=c("blue", "red", "green", "purple"),
      bg="lightblue")

# Compute basis function for each region:
b1 <- function(x,R){ifelse(x<R,x,R)}
b1.2 <- function(x,R){ifelse(x<R,x^2,R^2)}
b2 <- function(x,L,R){ifelse(x<L,0,ifelse(x<R,x-L,R-L))}
b3 <- function(x,L){ifelse(x<L,0,x-L)}
# NOTE: L and R are not the necessarily the same for all segments; they are
the breakpoints on either side of each segment.
# See the call to lm to see what values of L and R are used for each basis
function.

plot(Msorted, b1(Msorted,c[1]), xlab=substitute(paste(bold("M"))),
      ylab="basis function",
      ylim=c(-0.25,18.0), type="l", col = "blue", lwd=3, main=Title)
lines(Msorted, b1.2(Msorted,c[1]), col = "red", lwd=3)
lines(Msorted, b2(Msorted,c[1],c[2]), col = "green", lwd=3)
lines(Msorted, b3(Msorted,c[2]), col = "purple", lwd=3)
abline(v = c)
legend(5,12, legend=c("segment 1, basis 1","segment 1, basis 2", "segment 2",
"segment 3"),
      lty=rep(1,4), lwd=rep(3,4), col=c("blue", "red", "green", "purple"),
      bg="lightblue")

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(NOTE: new figure made on 2022-10-18 using ylim chosen to show the b1.2 basis)

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Model <- lm(yn ~ b1(M,c[1]) + b1.2(M,c[1]) + b2(M,c[1],c[2]) + b3(M,c[2]) )
# Regression summary:
summary(Model)
#Call:
#lm(formula = yn ~ b1(M, c[1]) + b1.2(M, c[1]) + b2(M, c[1], c[2]) +
#   b3(M, c[2]))
#
#Residuals:
#   Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
#-1.44527 -0.30024 -0.01794  0.34079  1.25788
#
#Coefficients:
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#               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
#(Intercept)   -12.31402    0.17147  -71.814  <2e-16 ***
#b1(M, c[1])     5.33851    0.16617   32.127  <2e-16 ***
#b1.2(M, c[1])  -0.49422    0.03438  -14.374  <2e-16 ***
#b2(M, c[1], c[2]) 0.47826    0.04176   11.454  <2e-16 ***
#b3(M, c[2])   -0.46825    0.05141   -9.109  <2e-16 ***
#---
#Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
#
#Residual standard error: 0.5128 on 295 degrees of freedom
#Multiple R-squared:  0.9795, Adjusted R-squared:  0.9793
#F-statistic: 3529 on 4 and 295 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16#Coefficients:

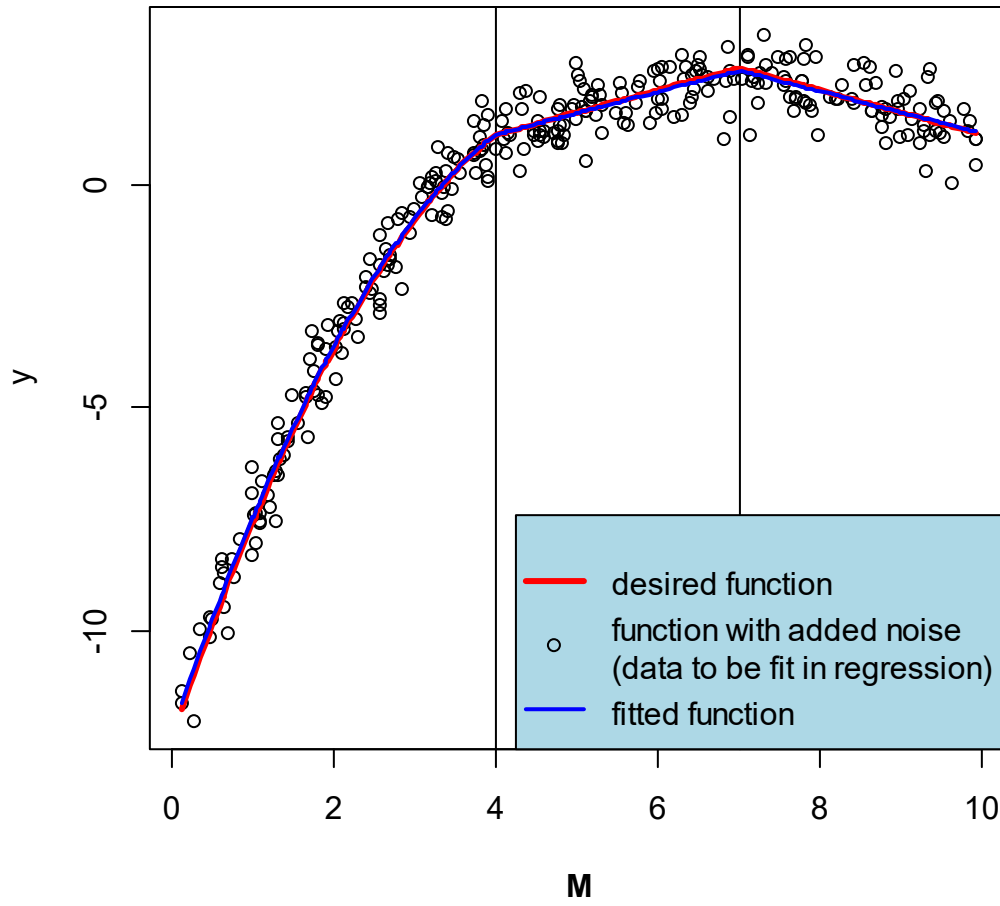
coef <- coefficients(Model)
#> coef
#      (Intercept)      b1(M, c[1])      b1.2(M, c[1]) b2(M, c[1], c[2])
b3(M, c[2])
#      -12.3140225          5.3385115          -0.4942249          0.4782630
-0.4682550

# Replot data
plot(M, yn, xlab=substitute(paste(italic("M"))), ylab="y", col="black",
main=Title)
# Plot actual function
abline(v = c)
lines(Msorted,y(Msorted,c), lwd=3, col="red")

# Add predictions
yp <- coef[1]+coef[2]*b1(Msorted,c[1])+coef[3]*b1.2(Msorted,c[1]) +
      coef[4]*b2(Msorted,c[1],c[2]) +
      coef[5]*b3(Msorted,c[2])
lines(Msorted,yp, lwd=2, col="blue")
legend("bottomright", legend=c("desired function", "function with added
noise\n(data to be fit in regression)", "fitted function"),
lty=c(1,NA,1), lwd=c(3,NA,2), pch=c(NA,1,NA), col=c("red", "black",
"blue"), bg="lightblue")

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Title <- "FLAT, QUADRATIC, LINEAR, LINEAR"
# A basis function is not needed for a flat segment
# Define function

# Breakpoints:
c <- c(2, 4, 7)
y <- function(M,c){
  ifelse(M<c[1], -3.67,
    ifelse(M<c[2],1.13+1.4*(M-c[2])-0.5*(M-c[2])^2,
      ifelse(M<=c[3],1.13+0.5*(M-c[2]), 1.13+0.5*(c[3]-c[2])-0.5*(M-c[3]))))
}

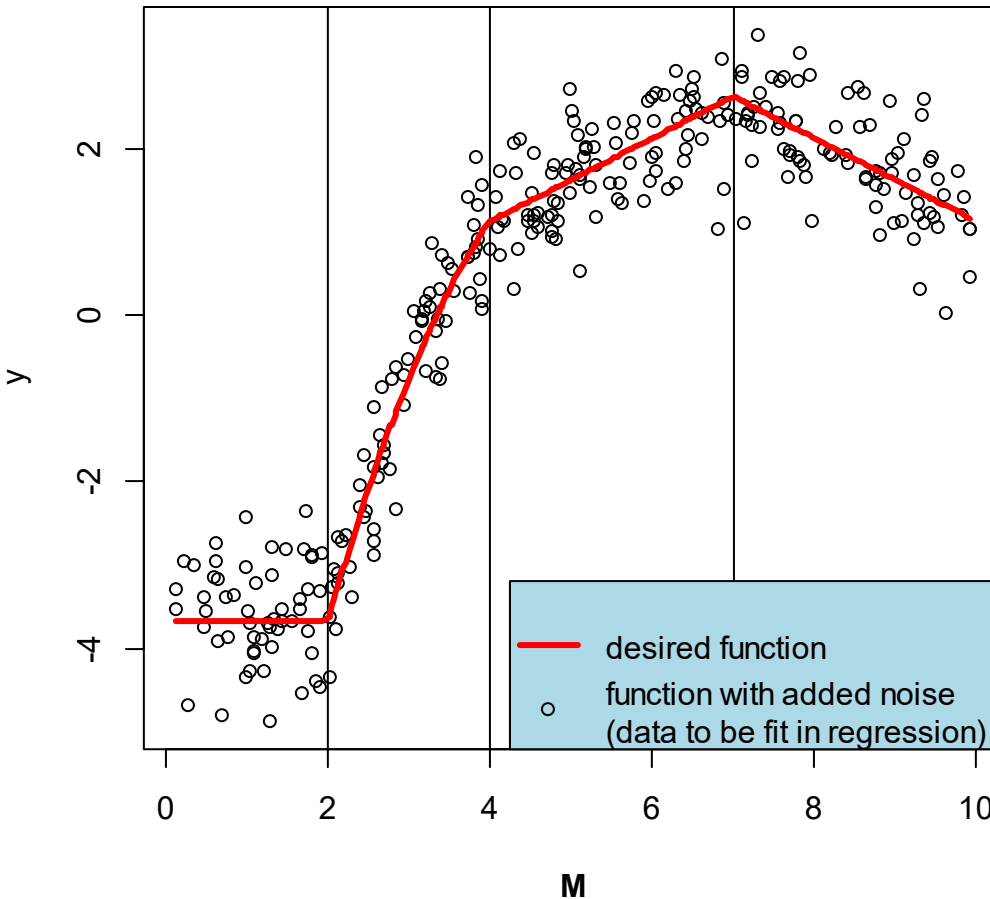
#Generate data
set.seed(1)
n <- 300
M <- runif(n, 0, 10)
Msorted <- sort(M)

# Add some noise:
yn <- y(M,c) + rnorm(n, sd = 0.5)

plot(M, yn, xlab=substitute(paste(bold("M"))), ylab="y", col="black",
main=Title)
abline(v = c)
lines(Msorted, y(Msorted,c),lwd=3, col="red")
legend("bottomright", legend=c("desired function", "function with added
noise\n(data to be fit in regression)"),
  lty=c(1,NA), lwd=c(3,NA), pch=c(NA,1), col=c("red", "black"),
bg="lightblue")

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# Compute basis functions for each segment (a basis function is not needed
for the first segment, as the intercept
# in the regression will use the data in that segment):
b1.1 <- function(x,L,R){ifelse(x<L,0,ifelse(x<R,x-L,R-L))}
b1.2 <- function(x,L,R){ifelse(x<L,0,ifelse(x<R,(x-L)^2,(R-L)^2))}
b2 <- function(x,L,R){ifelse(x<L,0,ifelse(x<R,x-L,R-L))}
b3 <- function(x,L){ifelse(x<L,0,x-L)}

plot(Msorted, b1.1(Msorted,c[1],c[2]), xlab=substitute(paste(italic("M"))),
ylab="basis function",
  ylim=c(-0.25,8.0), type="l", col = "blue", lwd=3, main=Title)
lines(Msorted, b1.2(Msorted,c[1],c[2]), col = "red", lwd=3)
lines(Msorted, b2(Msorted,c[2],c[3]), col = "green", lwd=3)
lines(Msorted, b3(Msorted,c[3]), col = "purple", lwd=3)
abline(v = c)
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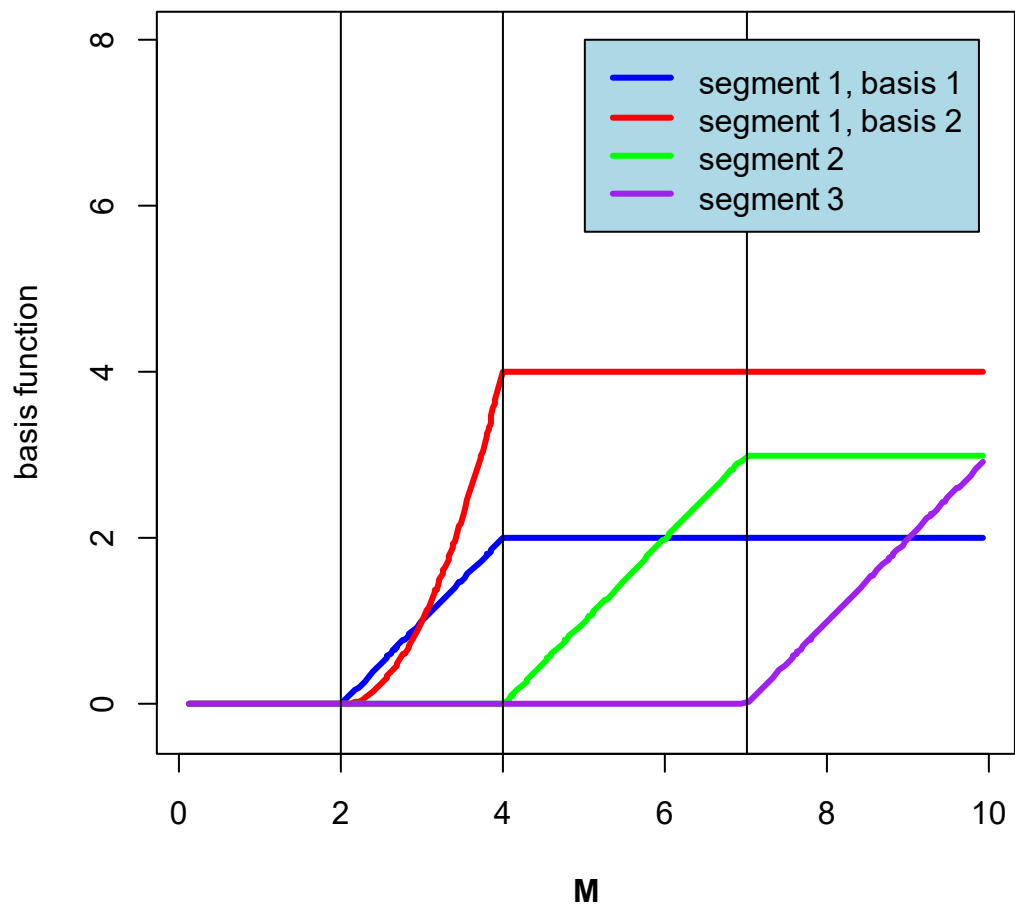


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legend(5,8, legend=c("segment 1, basis 1","segment 1, basis 2", "segment 2",
"segment 3"),
      lty=rep(1,4), lwd=rep(3,4), col=c("blue", "red", "green", "purple"),
      bg="lightblue")

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```

Model <- lm(yn ~ b1.1(M,c[1],c[2]) + b1.2(M,c[1],c[2]) + b2(M,c[2],c[3]) +
b3(M,c[3]))

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# Regression summary:
summary(Model)

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#Call:
#lm(formula = yn ~ b1.1(M, c[1], c[2]) + b1.2(M, c[1], c[2]) +
#   b2(M, c[2], c[3]) + b3(M, c[3]))
#

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#Residuals:
#      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max

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#-1.44767 -0.29439 -0.01816  0.34015  1.24359
#
#Coefficients:
#           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
#(Intercept)    -3.58901    0.06395  -56.119 < 2e-16 ***
#b1.1(M, c[1], c[2])  3.36741    0.21592   15.596 < 2e-16 ***
#b1.2(M, c[1], c[2]) -0.50595    0.10947   -4.622 5.7e-06 ***
#b2(M, c[2], c[3])   0.48282    0.04407   10.957 < 2e-16 ***
#b3(M, c[3])        -0.46991    0.05168   -9.093 < 2e-16 ***
#---

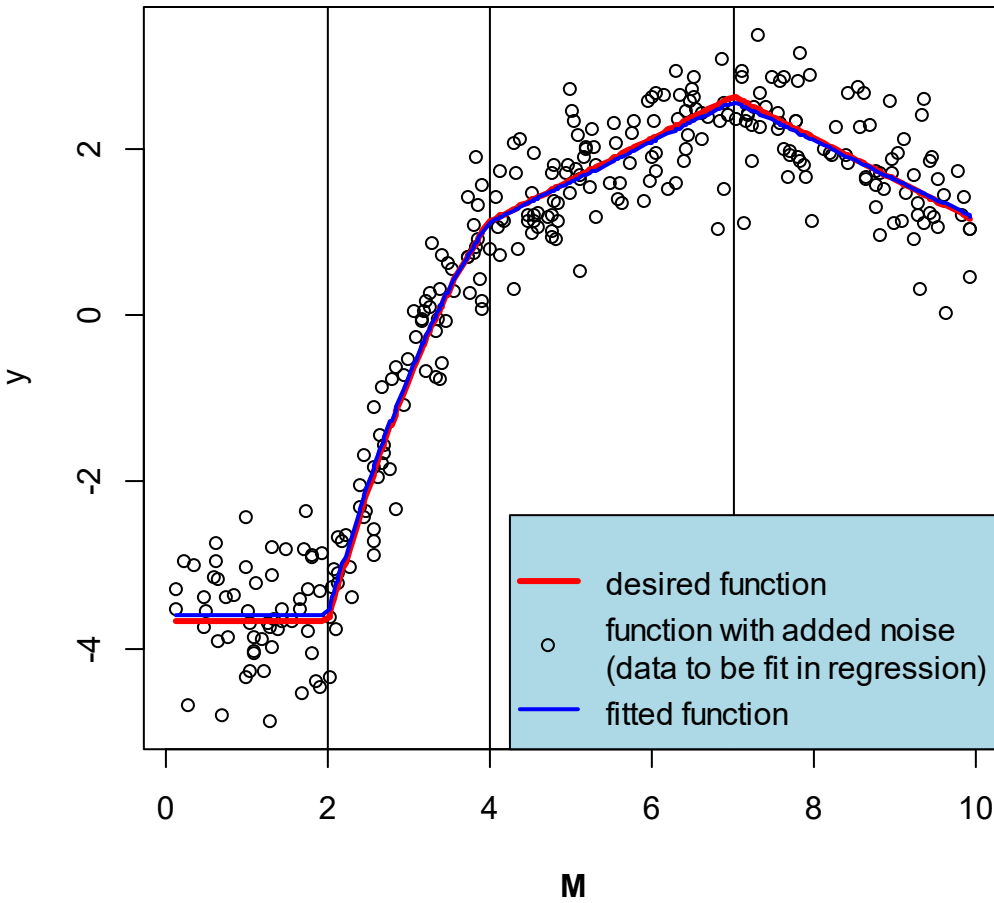
coef <- coefficients(Model)
#> coef
#           (Intercept) b1.1(M, c[1], c[2]) b1.2(M, c[1], c[2])  b2(M, c[2],
c[3])           b3(M, c[3])
#           -3.5890096           3.3674056           -0.5059541
0.4828228           -0.4699064

# Replot data
plot(M, yn, xlab=substitute(paste(italic("M"))), ylab="y", col="black",
main=Title)
# Plot actual function
abline(v = c)
lines(Msorted,y(Msorted,c), lwd=3, col="red")

# Add predictions
yp <- coef[1]+coef[2]*b1.1(Msorted,c[1], c[2])+coef[3]*b1.2(Msorted,c[1],
c[2]) +
coef[4]*b2(Msorted,c[2],c[3]) +
coef[5]*b3(Msorted,c[3])
lines(Msorted,yp, lwd=2, col="blue")
legend("bottomright", legend=c("desired function", "function with added
noise\n(data to be fit in regression)", "fitted function"),
lty=c(1,NA,1), lwd=c(3,NA,2), pch=c(NA,1,NA), col=c("red", "black",
"blue"), bg="lightblue")

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#-----
-----
Title <- "FLAT, QUADRATIC, LINEAR, FLAT"
# No basis functions are needed for flat segments
# Define function

# Breakpoints:
c <- c(2, 4, 7)
y <- function(M,c){
  ifelse(M<c[1], -3.67,
    ifelse(M<c[2],1.13+1.4*(M-c[2])-0.5*(M-c[2])^2,
      ifelse(M<=c[3],1.13+0.5*(M-c[2]), 1.13+0.5*(c[3]-c[2]))))
}

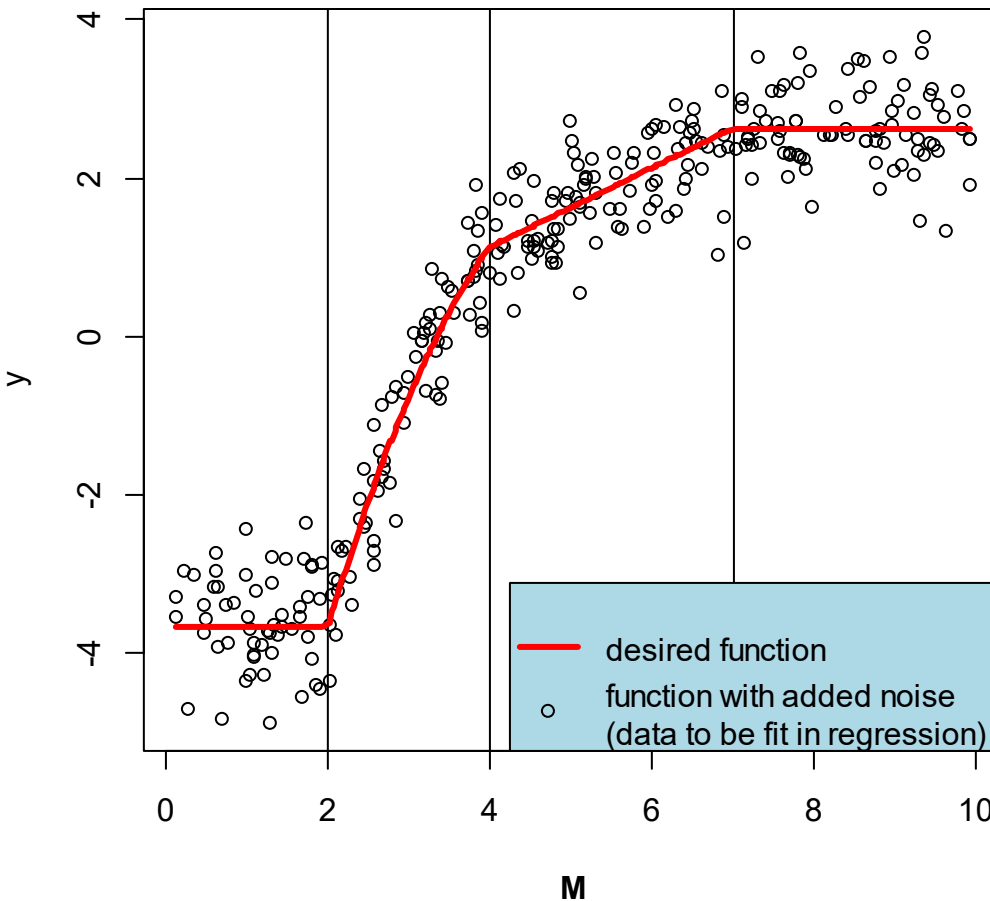
#Generate data
set.seed(1)
n <- 300
M <- runif(n, 0, 10)
Msorted <- sort(M)

# Add some noise:
yn <- y(M,c) + rnorm(n, sd = 0.5)

plot(M, yn, xlab=substitute(paste(italic("M"))), ylab="y", col="black",
main=Title)
abline(v = c)
lines(Msorted, y(Msorted,c),lwd=3, col="red")
legend("bottomright", legend=c("desired function", "function with added
noise\n(data to be fit in regression)"),
      lty=c(1,NA), lwd=c(3,NA), pch=c(NA,1), col=c("red", "black"),
      bg="lightblue")

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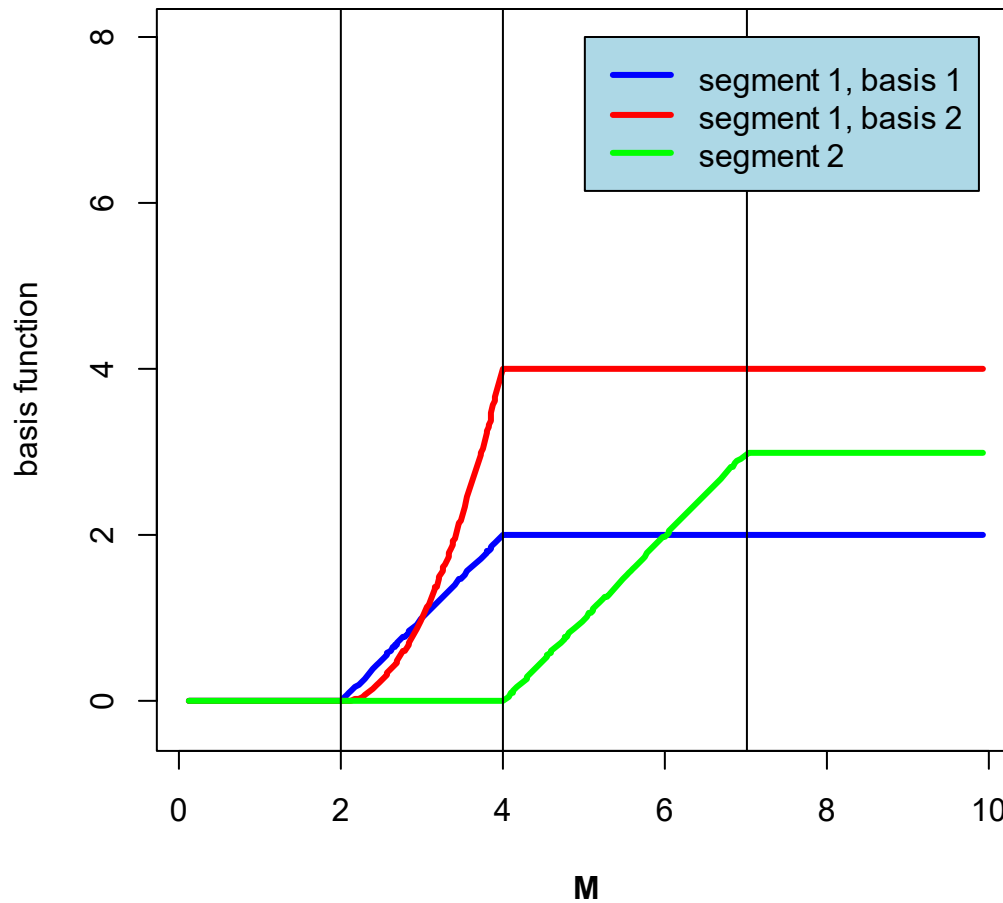
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```
# Compute basis function for each region:
b1.1 <- function(x,L,R){ifelse(x<L,0,ifelse(x<R,x-L,R-L))}
b1.2 <- function(x,L,R){ifelse(x<L,0,ifelse(x<R,(x-L)^2,(R-L)^2))}
b2 <- function(x,L,R){ifelse(x<L,0,ifelse(x<R,x-L,R-L))}

plot(Msorted, b1.1(Msorted,c[1],c[2]), xlab=substitute(paste(italic("M"))),
      ylab="basis function",
      ylim=c(-0.25,8.0), type="l", col = "blue", lwd=3, main=Title)
lines(Msorted, b1.2(Msorted,c[1],c[2]), col = "red", lwd=3)
lines(Msorted, b2(Msorted,c[2],c[3]), col = "green", lwd=3)
abline(v = c)
legend(5,8, legend=c("segment 1, basis 1","segment 1, basis 2", "segment 2"),
      lty=rep(1,3), lwd=rep(3,3), col=c("blue", "red", "green"),
      bg="lightblue")
```

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```

Model <- lm(yn ~ b1.1(M,c[1],c[2]) + b1.2(M,c[1],c[2]) + b2(M,c[2],c[3]) )
# Regression summary:
summary(Model)

#Call:
#lm(formula = yn ~ b2(M, c[1], c[2]) + b2.2(M, c[1], c[2]) + b3(M,
#   c[2], c[3]))
#
#Residuals:
#   Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
#-1.47883 -0.29232 -0.01076  0.33950  1.24418
#
#Coefficients:
#              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
#(Intercept)    -3.58959    0.06387  -56.198 < 2e-16 ***
#b2(M, c[1], c[2])  3.37824    0.21487  15.722 < 2e-16 ***

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#b2.2(M, c[1], c[2]) -0.51440    0.10839  -4.746  3.24e-06  ***
#b3(M, c[2], c[3])    0.49841    0.03497  14.253  < 2e-16  ***
#---

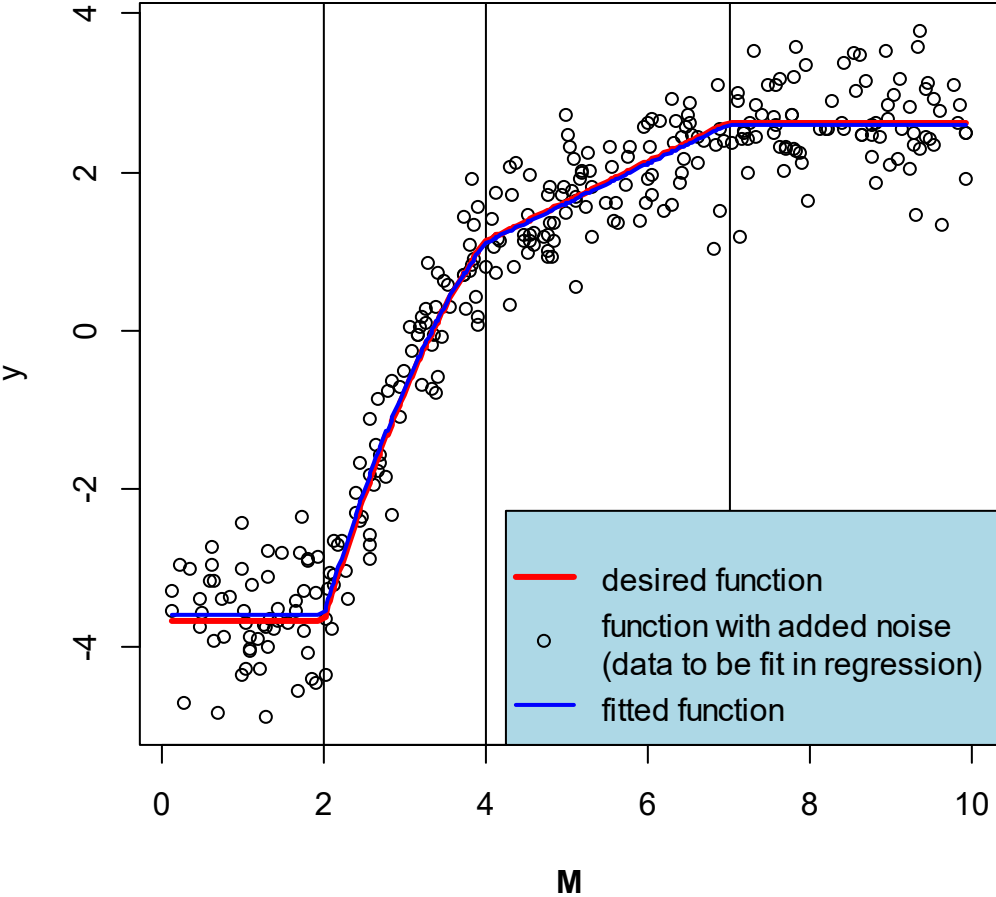
coef <- coefficients(Model)
#> coef
#      (Intercept)    b2(M, c[1], c[2]) b2.2(M, c[1], c[2])    b3(M, c[2],
c[3])
#      -3.5895926            3.3782354            -0.5143986
0.4984074

# Replot data
plot(M, yn, xlab=substitute(paste(italic("M"))), ylab="y", col="black",
main=Title)
# Plot actual function
abline(v = c)
lines(Msorted,y(Msorted,c), lwd=3, col="red")

# Add predictions
yp <- coef[1]+coef[2]*b1.1(Msorted,c[1], c[2])+coef[3]*b1.2(Msorted,c[1],
c[2]) +
      coef[4]*b2(Msorted,c[2],c[3])
lines(Msorted,yp, lwd=2, col="blue")
legend("bottomright", legend=c("desired function", "function with added
noise\n(data to be fit in regression)", "fitted function"),
      lty=c(1,NA,1), lwd=c(3,NA,2), pch=c(NA,1,NA), col=c("red", "black",
"blue"), bg="lightblue")

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```

#-----
#-----

Title <- "FLAT, QUADRATIC, FLAT, LINEAR"

# No basis functions are needed for flat segments#
# Define function

# Breakpoints:
c <- c(2, 4, 7)
y <- function(M,c){
  ifelse(M<c[1], -3.67,
    ifelse(M<c[2],1.13+1.4*(M-c[2])-0.5*(M-c[2])^2,
      ifelse(M<=c[3],1.13, 1.13-0.5*(M-c[3]))))
}

#Generate data
set.seed(1)
n <- 300
M <- runif(n, 0, 10)
Msorted <- sort(M)

# Add some noise:
yn <- y(M,c) + rnorm(n, sd = 0.5)

plot(M, yn, xlab=substitute(paste(bold("M"))), ylab="y", col="black",
main=Title)

abline(v = c)

lines(Msorted, y(Msorted,c),lwd=3, col="red")

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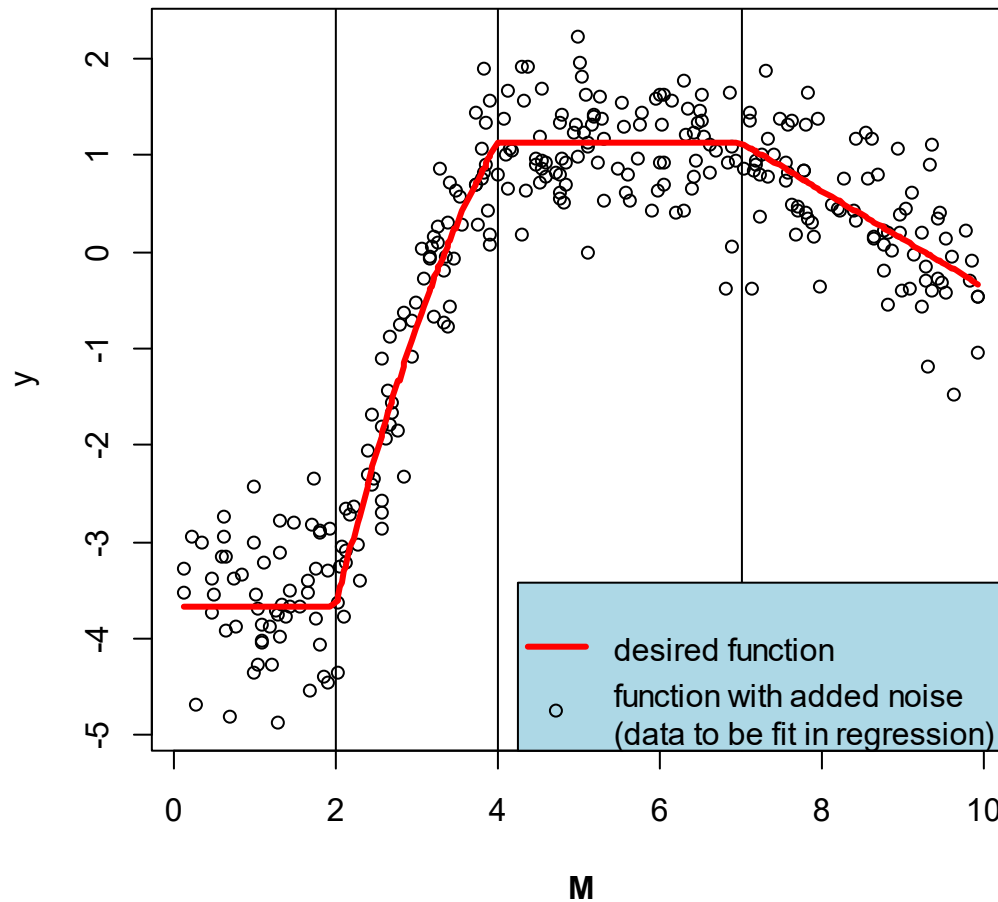
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legend("bottomright", legend=c("desired function", "function with added
noise\n(data to be fit in regression)"),

      lty=c(1,NA), lwd=c(3,NA), pch=c(NA,1), col=c("red", "black"),
      bg="lightblue")

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```

# Compute basis function for each region:

b1.1 <- function(x,L,R){ifelse(x<L,0,ifelse(x<R,x-L,R-L))}

b1.2 <- function(x,L,R){ifelse(x<L,0,ifelse(x<R,(x-L)^2,(R-L)^2))}

b3 <- function(x,L){ifelse(x<L,0,x-L)}

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```

plot(Msorted, b1.1(Msorted,c[1],c[2]), xlab=substitute(paste(italic("M"))),
ylab="basis function",

      ylim=c(-0.25,8.0), type="l", col = "blue", lwd=3, main=Title)

lines(Msorted, b1.2(Msorted,c[1],c[2]), col = "red", lwd=3)

lines(Msorted, b3(Msorted,c[3]), col = "green", lwd=3)

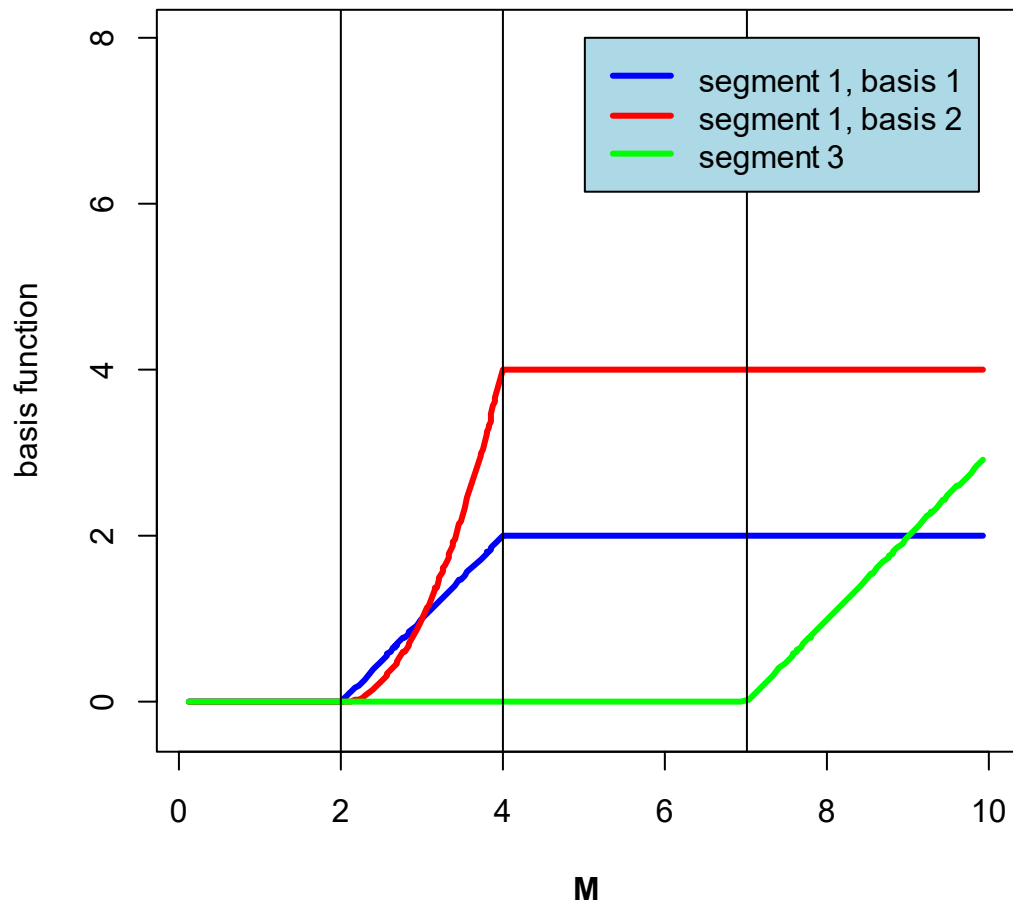
abline(v = c)

legend(5,8, legend=c("segment 1, basis 1","segment 1, basis 2", "segment 3"),

      lty=rep(1,3), lwd=rep(3,3), col=c("blue", "red", "green"),
      bg="lightblue")

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```

Model <- lm(yn ~ b1.1(M,c[1],c[2]) + b1.2(M,c[1],c[2]) + b3(M,c[3]) )

# Regression summary:

summary(Model)

#Call:
#lm(formula = yn ~ b1.1(M, c[1], c[2]) + b1.2(M, c[1], c[2]) +
#   b3(M, c[3]))
#
#Residuals:
#   Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
#-1.46848 -0.29279 -0.01513  0.34001  1.24486
#
#Coefficients:
#
#               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
#(Intercept)      -3.59027    0.06378  -56.292 < 2e-16 ***
#b1.1(M, c[1], c[2])  3.39088    0.20705   16.377 < 2e-16 ***
#b1.2(M, c[1], c[2]) -0.52426    0.09875   -5.309 2.17e-07 ***
#b3(M, c[3])         -0.48214    0.04100  -11.761 < 2e-16 ***
#---
#Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
#
#Residual standard error: 0.5123 on 296 degrees of freedom
#Multiple R-squared:  0.9271,    Adjusted R-squared:  0.9264
#F-statistic: 1256 on 3 and 296 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16#Call:

coef <- coefficients(Model)

> coef

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      (Intercept) b1.1(M, c[1], c[2]) b1.2(M, c[1], c[2])      b3(M,
c[3])
      -3.5902734      3.3908799      -0.5242581      -
0.4821406

# Replot data
plot(M, yn, xlab=substitute(paste(italic("M"))), ylab="y", col="black",
main=Title)

# Plot actual function
abline(v = c)

lines(Msorted,y(Msorted,c), lwd=3, col="red")

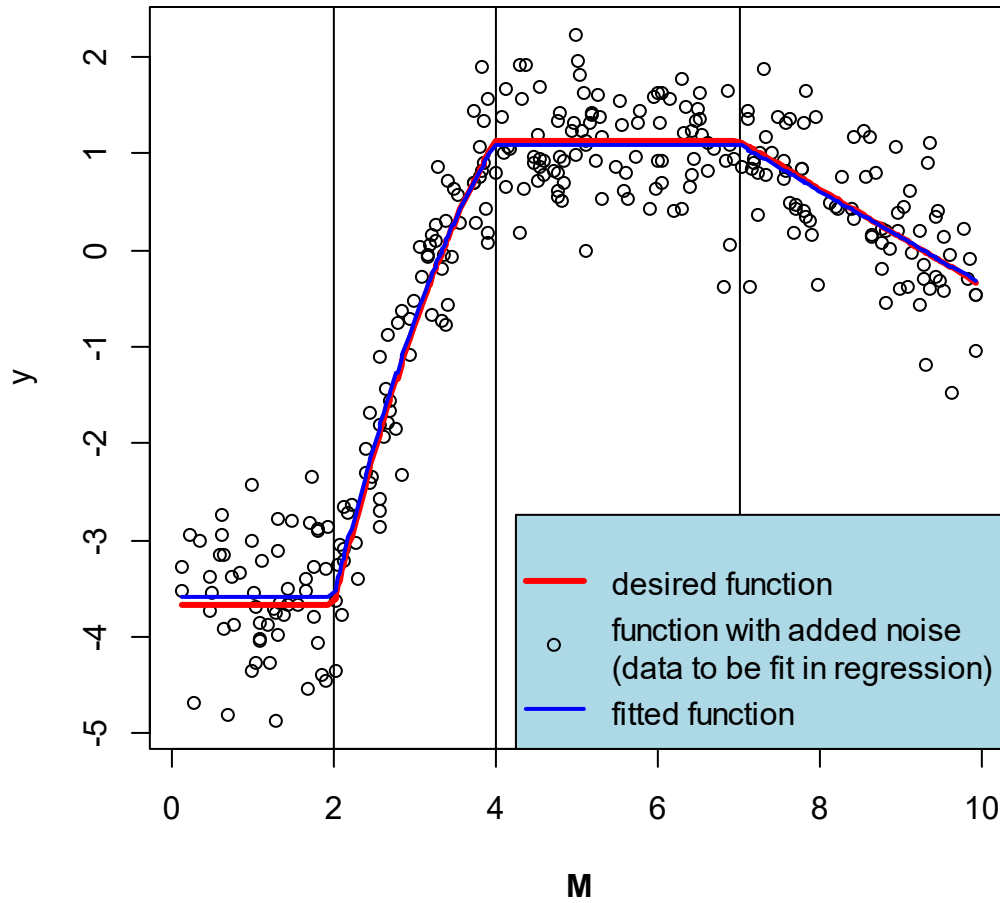
# Add predictions
yp <- coef[1]+coef[2]*b1.1(Msorted,c[1], c[2])+coef[3]*b1.2(Msorted,c[1],
c[2]) +
      coef[4]*b3(Msorted,c[3])

lines(Msorted,yp, lwd=2, col="blue")

legend("bottomright", legend=c("desired function", "function with added
noise\n(data to be fit in regression)", "fitted function"),
      lty=c(1,NA,1), lwd=c(3,NA,2), pch=c(NA,1,NA), col=c("red", "black",
"blue"), bg="lightblue")

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FLAT, LINE CROSSING 0.0 AT XC, FLAT

How should a model that is flat to $c[1]$, forced to cross 0.0 at $x = xc$, and then is flat beyond $c[2]$ be specified? Thinking about it, there is only one basis function, even though it has a break at $x=c[1]$. The reason is that the slope of the line between $c[1]$ and $c[2]$ is determined by the value of constant portion for $x < c[1]$ and the condition that the line crosses the zero line at $x=xc$. Therefore, the slope is NOT a regression parameter. There is only one regression parameter.

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# Define function
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# Breakpoints:
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c <- c(4, 6)
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cz <- 5.5
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slope <- (2.0-0.0)/(cz-c[1])
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y <- function(x,c){
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  ifelse(x<c[1], 2.0,
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    ifelse(x<c[2],2.0 - slope*(x-c[1]), 2.0 - slope*(c[2]-c[1]) ) )
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}
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#Generate data
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set.seed(1)
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n <- 300
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M <- runif(n, 0, 10)
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Msorted <- sort(M)
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# Add some noise:
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yn <- y(M,c) + rnorm(n, sd = 0.5)
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plot(M, yn, xlab=substitute(paste(italic("M"))), ylab="y", col="black",
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main="FLAT, LINEAR GOING THROUGH A SPECIFIED POINT,\nFLAT")
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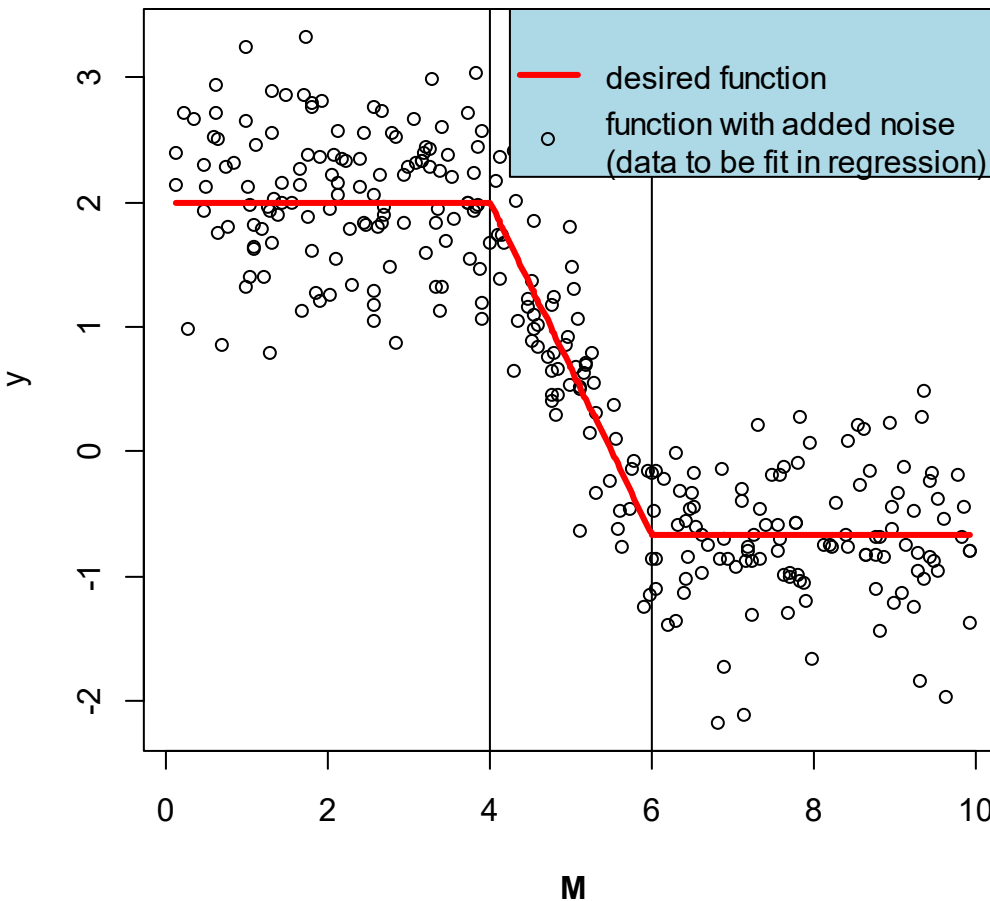
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abline(v = c)
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lines(Msorted, y(Msorted,c),lwd=3, col="red")
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legend("topright", legend=c("desired function", "function with added  
noise\n(data to be fit in regression)"),
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lty=c(1,NA), lwd=c(3,NA), pch=c(NA,1), col=c("red", "black"),  
bg="lightblue")
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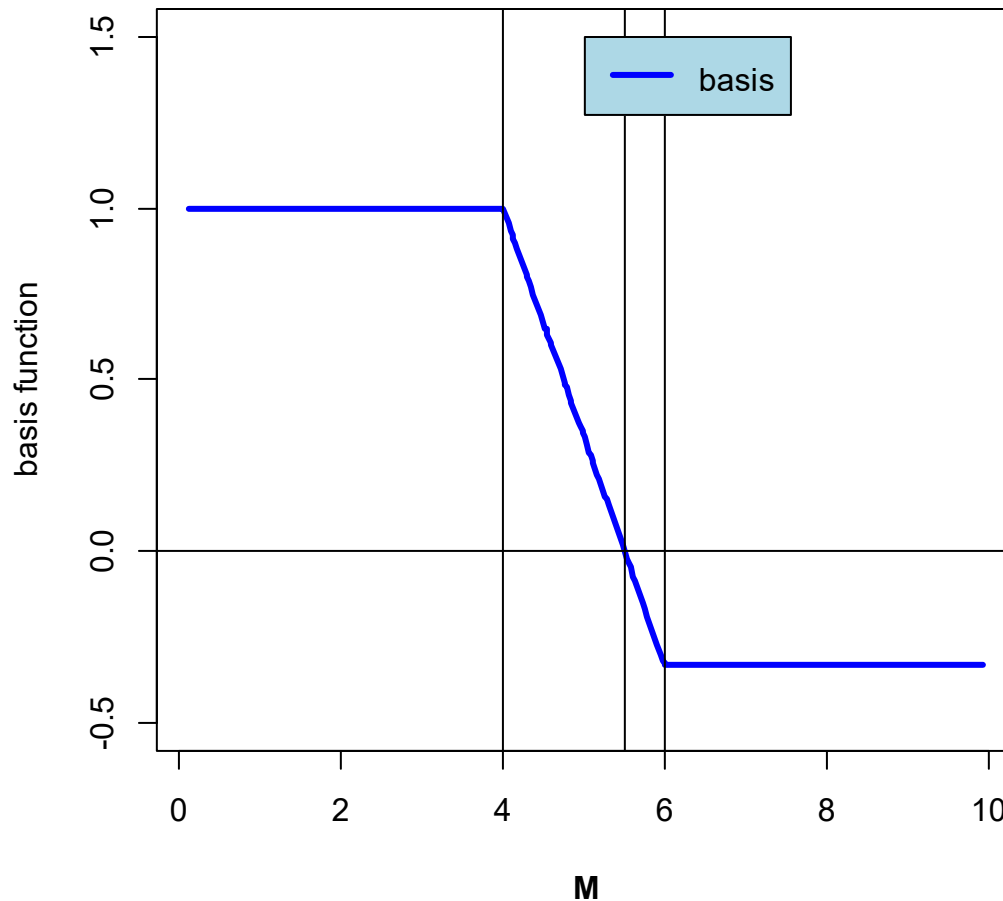
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b1 <- function(x,L,xc,R){ifelse(x<L,1,ifelse(x<R,1-(x-L)/(xc-L),1-(R-L)/(xc-L)))}
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plot(Msorted, b1(Msorted,c[1],cz,c[2]), xlab=substitute(paste(bold("M"))),
ylab="basis function",
ylim=c(-0.5,1.5), type="l", col = "blue", lwd=3, main="FLAT, LINEAR GOING
THROUGH A SPECIFIED POINT,\nFLAT")
abline(h=0)
abline(v = c(c[1],cz,c[2]))
legend(5,1.5, legend=c("basis"),
lty=rep(1,1), lwd=rep(3,1), col=c("blue"), bg="lightblue")
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Model <- lm(yn ~ -1 + b1(M,c[1],cz,c[2]) )
# Regression summary:
summary(Model)

#Call:
#lm(formula = yn ~ -1 + b1(M, c[1], cz, c[2]))
#
#Residuals:
#   Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
#-1.48759 -0.30188 -0.03717  0.33624  1.27527
#
#Coefficients:
#               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
#b1(M, c[1], cz, c[2])  2.0493     0.0411   49.86  <2e-16 ***
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#Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
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#Residual standard error: 0.5107 on 299 degrees of freedom
#Multiple R-squared:  0.8927,    Adjusted R-squared:  0.8923
#F-statistic: 2486 on 1 and 299 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16

coef <- coefficients(Model)
coef
#b1(M, c[1], cz, c[2])
#          2.04931

# Replot data
plot(M, yn, xlab=substitute(paste(bold("M"))), ylab="y", col="black",
main="FLAT, LINEAR GOING THROUGH A SPECIFIED POINT,\nFLAT")
# Plot actual function
abline(v = c)
lines(Msorted,y(Msorted,c), lwd=3, col="red")

# Add predictions
yp <- coef[1]*b1(Msorted,c[1],cz,c[2])
lines(Msorted,yp, lwd=2, col="blue")
legend("topright", legend=c("desired function", "function with added
noise\n(data to be fit in regression)", "fitted function"),
      lty=c(1,NA,1), lwd=c(3,NA,2), pch=c(NA,1,NA), col=c("red", "black",
"blue"), bg="lightblue")

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