

# Package ‘Kpart’

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**Description** Cubic spline fitting along with knot selection, includes support for additional variables.

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## Description

Cubic spline regression using the absolute maximum deviate to determine potential knots. This version also includes support for additional independent variables to be included in the model.

**Details**

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~~ This package is intended for use with non-linearly associated data. The function `part` firsts selects points for cubic spline knots using an algorithm to find the absolute maximum deviate from the partition mean, then fits a best fitting model by using the best subset method and maximum adjR2. The function returns the values selected as knots in the model. The function `part(d, outcomeVariable, splineTerm, additionalVars = NULL, K)` takes five arguments. `K` is a positive integer that indicates how many equally spaced partitions the user would like to search.~~

– Recent update includes support for additional variables, 2016-07-23. –

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**References**

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part

*Fits a linear model based on spline terms with additional support for other independent variables.*

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**Description**

The user will input a data frame, then designate the variable that is the outcome. Then the spline term is selected along with any other independent variables. Finally, a number `K` partitions is chosen for the algorithm to search for potential cubic spline knots based on the spline term and partition.

**Usage**

```
part(d, outcomeVariable, splineTerm, additionalVars = NULL, K)
```

**Arguments**

|                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| d               | A data frame data set with column names.                      |
| outcomeVariable | The variable from 'd' that is the outcome.                    |
| splineTerm      | The spline term, inherited from 'd'.                          |
| additionalVars  | A vector of additional variables to be included in the model. |
| K               | The number of evenly spaced partitions to be searched.        |

**Value**

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| fits  | The fitted values of the linear model.     |
| xhat  | The entire feature matrix.                 |
| coefs | The significant coefficients of the model. |
| adjr2 | The adjusted R <sup>2</sup> value.         |

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**Examples**

```
## for simple spline model.
data(LakeHuron)
d <- data.frame(seq(1875, 1972, 1), LakeHuron)
names(d) <- c('date', 'lh')
fit <- part(d = d, outcomeVariable = 'lh', splineTerm = 'date', K = 20)
fit
plot(d$date, d$lh)
lines(d$date, fit$fits, col = 'red')

## multivariate
data(freeny)
freeny$time <- as.numeric(rownames(freeny))
fit <- part(d = freeny, outcomeVariable = 'y',
           splineTerm = 'time', additionalVars = c('market.potential', 'income.level'), K = 2)
fit$coefs
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