

Calibration of computer experiments

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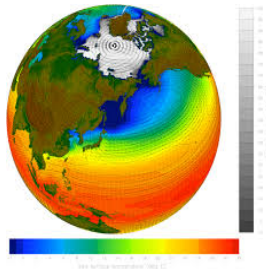
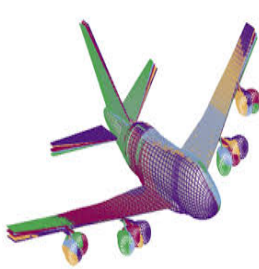
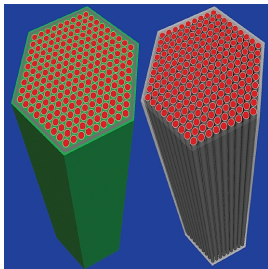
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Computer models have become essential in science and industry !



For clear reasons : cost reduction, possibility to explore hazardous or extreme scenarios...

Challenges

- Computation time can be large
 - We **will not** try to make the computer model faster
 - We **will** try to spare computation time. E.g. **metamodelling**
- There can be numerical errors
 - We **do not** address this issue
 - It is the **verification** problem
- The code may require a complex parametrization
 - We **will** address this issue.
 - It is the **calibration** problem
 - Also related to **sensitivity analysis**
- We do not know if the computer model display a reliable picture of “reality”
 - We **will** address this issue.
 - It is the **validation** or **improved-prediction** problem

A **computer model**, or **computer code** is represented by a function f :

$$\begin{aligned} f & : (D \subset \mathbb{R}^d) \times \mathbb{R}^p && \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ & (\mathbf{x}, \beta) && \rightarrow f(\mathbf{x}, \beta) \end{aligned}$$

One can also obtain observations from a **physical system**

$$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \boxed{\text{physical system}} \rightarrow y \in \mathbb{R}$$

- The inputs \mathbf{x} are the experimental conditions.
- The inputs β are the calibration parameters of the computation code.
- The outputs $f(\mathbf{x}, \beta)$ and y are the quantity of interest.

A computation code models (gives an approximation of) a physical phenomenon.

Basic point :

- For a fixed experimental condition \mathbf{x} , there **does not exist** a unique “true” quantity of interest $y \in \mathbb{R}$
- Similarly there **does not exist** a unique “true” calibration parameter $\beta_0 \in \mathbb{R}^p$

One possible model :

- β is a random vector with distribution \mathcal{L}_β
- The computer model characterizes the physical system completely, that is with

$$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \boxed{\text{physical system}} \rightarrow y \in \mathbb{R}$$

we have

$$y = f(\mathbf{x}, \beta) + \epsilon$$

with $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_m^2)$ independently of β

See e.g.



S. Fu, *Inversion probabiliste bayésienne en analyse d'incertitude, PhD thesis, Université Paris-Sud 11, 2012.* <http://tel.archives-ouvertes.fr/tel-00766341/>.

We **do not** address this setting in this course

Basic point :

- For a fixed experimental condition \mathbf{x} , there **exists** a unique “true” quantity of interest $\phi(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathbb{R}$
- Similarly there **exists** a unique “true” calibration parameter $\beta_0 \in \mathbb{R}^p$

The model for Section 1

- β_0 is fixed in \mathbb{R}^p
- The computer model characterizes the physical system completely, that is with

$$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \boxed{\text{physical system}} \rightarrow y \in \mathbb{R}$$

we have

$$y = f(\mathbf{x}, \beta_0) + \epsilon$$

with $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_m^2)$

$\Rightarrow f(\mathbf{x}, \beta_0)$ is the **true and unknown** value of the physical system for the experimental condition \mathbf{x}

Bayesian framework

$$\beta_0 \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta_{\text{prior}}, \mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}})$$

with

- **fixed and known** $\beta_{\text{prior}} \in \mathbb{R}^p$
- **fixed and known** positive definite $m \times m$ matrix $\mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}} \in \mathbb{R}^p$

Linearization

There exists a **fixed and known** nominal model parameter β_{nom} so that

$$\forall \mathbf{x} : f(\mathbf{x}, \beta) = f(\mathbf{x}, \beta_{\text{nom}}) + \sum_{i=1}^p h_i(\mathbf{x})(\beta_i - \beta_{\text{nom},i})$$

This model is used e.g. in



T. Kawano, K.M. Hanson, S. Frankle, P. Talou, M.B. Chadwick and R.C. Little, Evaluation and propagation of the ^{239}Pu Fission Cross-Section uncertainties using a Monte Carlo technique *Nuclear Science and Engineering* (153) 1-7, 2006.

A simplification

The linearization

$$\forall \mathbf{x} : f(\mathbf{x}, \beta) = f(\mathbf{x}, \beta_{nom}) + \sum_{i=1}^p h_i(\mathbf{x})(\beta_i - \beta_{nom,i})$$

can be simplified by letting

- $\forall \beta \in \mathbb{R}^p : \bar{\beta} = \beta - \beta_{nom}$
- $\bar{\beta}_{prior} = \beta_{prior} - \beta_{nom}$
- $\forall \bar{\beta} \in \mathbb{R}^p : \bar{f}(\mathbf{x}, \bar{\beta}) = f(\mathbf{x}, \bar{\beta}) - f(\mathbf{x}, \beta_{nom})$

This gives us that

$$\bar{\beta}_0 \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{\beta}_{prior}, \mathbf{Q}_{prior})$$

$$\forall \mathbf{x} : \bar{f}(\mathbf{x}, \bar{\beta}) = \sum_{i=1}^p h_i(\mathbf{x})\bar{\beta}_i$$

No loss of information entailed since β and $\bar{\beta}$ are deterministic functions of one another :

- inference on $\bar{\beta} \iff$ inference on β

In the sequel, **unless stated otherwise**, we implicitly assume that this transformation has been made

Hence the model is

$$\beta_0 \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta_{prior}, \mathbf{Q}_{prior}) \quad \text{and} \quad \forall \mathbf{x} : f(\mathbf{x}, \beta) = \sum_{i=1}^p h_i(\mathbf{x})\beta_i$$

Experimental results

Recall that with

$$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \boxed{\text{physical system}} \rightarrow y \in \mathbb{R}$$

we have

$$y = f(\mathbf{x}, \beta_0) + \epsilon$$

Consider that n experiments are carried out at $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n \in D \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ with observed quantities of interests y_1, \dots, y_n

Then we have for $i = 1, \dots, n$

$$\begin{aligned} y_i &= f(\mathbf{x}_i, \beta_0) + \epsilon_i \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n h_j(\mathbf{x}_i) \beta_{0,j} + \epsilon_i, \end{aligned}$$

where $\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n \sim_{iid} \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_m^2)$.

Define

- the $n \times 1$ vector $\mathbf{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_n)^t$
- the $n \times 1$ vector $\boldsymbol{\epsilon} = (\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n)^t$
- the $n \times p$ matrix \mathbf{H} defined by $H_{i,j} = h_j(\mathbf{x}_i)$

Then we have

$$\boxed{\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{H}\beta_0 + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}}$$

Posterior distribution of β_0

Recall that

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{H}\beta_0 + \epsilon$$

Let us calculate the joint distribution of (\mathbf{y}, β_0) :

- $\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{H}\mathbb{E}(\beta_0) = \mathbf{H}\beta_{\text{prior}}$
- $\text{cov}(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{H}\text{cov}(\beta_0)\mathbf{H}^t + \sigma_m^2\mathbf{I}_n = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}}\mathbf{H}^t + \sigma_m^2\mathbf{I}_n$
- $\text{cov}(\mathbf{y}, \beta_0) = \mathbf{H}\text{cov}(\beta_0, \beta_0) = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}}$ so that

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{y} \\ \beta_0 \end{pmatrix} \sim \mathcal{N} \left[\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{H}\beta_{\text{prior}} \\ \beta_{\text{prior}} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{H}\mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}}\mathbf{H}^t + \sigma_m^2\mathbf{I}_n & \mathbf{H}\mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}} \\ \mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}}\mathbf{H}^t & \mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}} \end{pmatrix} \right]$$

From the general results given in Section 3, we thus have

$$\mathcal{L}(\beta_0|\mathbf{y}) = \mathcal{N}(\beta_{\text{post}}, \mathbf{Q}_{\text{post}})$$

with

- $\beta_{\text{post}} = \beta_{\text{prior}} + \frac{1}{\sigma_m^2}(\mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}}^{-1} + \frac{1}{\sigma_m^2}\mathbf{H}^t\mathbf{H})^{-1}\mathbf{H}^t(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H}\beta_{\text{prior}})$
- $\mathbf{Q}_{\text{post}} = (\mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}}^{-1} + \frac{1}{\sigma_m^2}\mathbf{H}^t\mathbf{H})^{-1}$

And (see restricted maximum likelihood in Section 3) we can estimate σ_m^2 by

$$\hat{\sigma}_m^2 = \frac{1}{n-p} \mathbf{y}^t (\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{H}^t\mathbf{H})^{-1}\mathbf{H}^t) \mathbf{y}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(\beta_0 | \mathbf{y}) = \mathcal{N}(\beta_{post}, \mathbf{Q}_{post})$$

with

- $\beta_{post} = \beta_{prior} + \frac{1}{\sigma_m^2} (\mathbf{Q}_{prior}^{-1} + \frac{1}{\sigma_m^2} \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{H})^{-1} \mathbf{H}^t (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H} \beta_{prior})$
- $\mathbf{Q}_{post} = (\mathbf{Q}_{prior}^{-1} + \frac{1}{\sigma_m^2} \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{H})^{-1}$

Comments

- Everything remains **linear Gaussian**
- Posterior uncertainty < prior uncertainty
- $\beta_{post} \rightarrow_{\sigma_m^2 \rightarrow +\infty} \beta_{prior}$ and $\mathbf{Q}_{post} \rightarrow_{\sigma_m^2 \rightarrow +\infty} \mathbf{Q}_{prior}$
- If $p \leq n$ and $\text{rank}(\mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{H}) = p$ then
 - $\beta_{post} = \beta_{prior} + (\sigma_m^2 \mathbf{Q}_{prior}^{-1} + \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{H})^{-1} \mathbf{H}^t (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H} \beta_{prior}) \rightarrow_{\sigma_m^2 \rightarrow +\infty} \beta_{prior} + (\mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{H})^{-1} \mathbf{H}^t (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H} \beta_{prior}) = (\mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{H})^{-1} \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{y}$ (least square estimator, ignoring the prior distribution). Also $\mathbf{Q}_{post} \rightarrow_{\sigma_m^2 \rightarrow +\infty} \mathbf{0}$
- If p is fixed and $n \rightarrow \infty$, we generally have $(\mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{H})^{-1} \rightarrow_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{0}$. Hence $\mathbf{Q}_{post} \rightarrow_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{0}$.
Uncertainty on β_0 generally vanishes

Let $\mathbf{x}_0 \in D \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ be a new experimental condition.

Let the $p \times 1$ vector $\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0) = (h_1(\mathbf{x}_0), \dots, h_p(\mathbf{x}_0))^t$

Then we have

$$\mathcal{L}(f(\mathbf{x}_0, \beta_0) | \mathbf{y}) = \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0)^t \beta_0 | \mathbf{y}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0)^t \beta_{post}, \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0)^t \mathbf{Q}_{post} \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0))$$

Let $y_0 = f(\mathbf{x}_0, \beta_0) + \epsilon_0$ be a new potential observation of the physical system. Then we have, since ϵ_0 is independent of \mathbf{y}, β_0 ,

$$\mathcal{L}(y_0 | \mathbf{y}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0)^t \beta_{post}, \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0)^t \mathbf{Q}_{post} \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0) + \sigma_m^2)$$

We predict future observations by the **calibrated code only**

Asymptotically ($n \rightarrow \infty$, p fixed), the uncertainty on a new observation is only σ_m^2 which is **non-reducible**

Limitations :

- The differences between the **correctly calibrated** computer model and the observations are only modeled by measure errors
- This assumption can be ruled out statistically if $\hat{\sigma}^2$ is very large
- We predict the physical system by $f(x_0, \beta_{post}) \implies$ we are restricted/sub-optimal if the computer model is inappropriate

Introducing the model error function

We would like to extend the statistical model in the following way :

with

$$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \boxed{\text{physical system}} \rightarrow y \in \mathbb{R}$$

we have

$$y = \phi(\mathbf{x}) + \epsilon$$

where $\phi : D \subset \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is the **fixed and unknown** physical system function. $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_m^2)$ is still the measure error

We want to have the following :

$$\forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d; \phi(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x}, \beta_0) + e(\mathbf{x})$$

where

- β_0 is the fixed and unknown correct model parameter
- $e : D \subset \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a fixed and unknown function called the **model error function** or **model error**

Recall that we want the following statistical model :

$$\forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d; \phi(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x}, \beta_0) + e(\mathbf{x}) \quad (1)$$

However, it is **not clear** how to define β_0 and e w.r.t ϕ in a good way. One can simultaneously change the definition of β_0 and e and satisfy (1)!

This is an important problem which is **not fully solved** to my knowledge

⇒ Roughly speaking, this identifiability issue should impact only inference on β_0 not inference on ϕ

One way to obtain a well-defined mathematical model is the Bayesian way where :

- β_0 is a realization of a random vector (as before)
- e is a realization of a random function (of a **Gaussian process**)

In addition, working with Gaussian processes will enable to work with **posterior distributions** for the physical system ϕ

⇒ Hence we now introduce Gaussian processes

- Code function

$$f(\mathbf{x}, \beta)$$

- Physical system

$$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \boxed{\text{physical system}} \rightarrow y \in \mathbb{R}$$

- One setting that we do not address

$$y_i = f(\mathbf{x}_i, \beta_i) + \epsilon_i$$

- Our setting

$$y_i = f(\mathbf{x}_i, \beta_0) + \epsilon_i$$

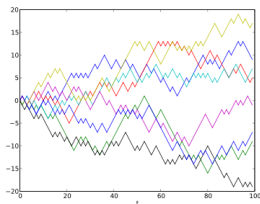
- Bayesian framework and linearization \implies calibration and prediction of physical system
 - we stay in the linear Gaussian framework
- We now want to introduce the model error function

$$y_i = f(\mathbf{x}_i, \beta_0) + \mathbf{e}(\mathbf{x}_i) + \epsilon_i$$

- identifiability issues
- \mathbf{e} as Gaussian process realization

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A **stochastic process** is a function $Z : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $Z(\mathbf{x})$ is a random variable. Alternatively a stochastic process is a function on \mathbb{R}^d that is unknown, or that depends of underlying random phenomena.



We explicit the randomness of $Z(\mathbf{x})$ by writing it $Z(\omega, \mathbf{x})$ with ω in a **probability space** Ω . For a given ω_0 , we call the function $x \rightarrow Z(\omega_0, \mathbf{x})$ a **realization** of the stochastic process Z .

Mean function $M : \mathbf{x} \rightarrow M(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbb{E}(Z(\mathbf{x}))$

Covariance function $C : (\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) \rightarrow C(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \text{cov}(Z(\mathbf{x}_1), Z(\mathbf{x}_2))$

Gaussian variables and vectors

A random variable X is a **Gaussian variable** with mean μ and variance $\sigma^2 > 0$ when its probability density function is

$$f_{\mu, \sigma^2}(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x - \mu)^2\right)$$

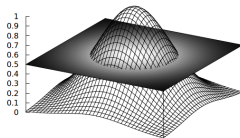
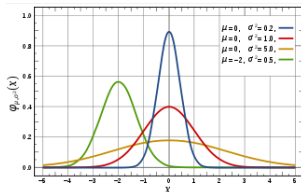
A n -dimensional random vector V is a **Gaussian vector** with mean vector \mathbf{m} and invertible covariance matrix \mathbf{R} when its multidimensional probability density function is

$$f_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{R}}(\mathbf{v}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} \sqrt{\det(\mathbf{R})}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{m})^t \mathbf{R}^{-1}(\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{m})\right)$$

E.g. for Gaussian variables : μ and σ^2 are both parameters of the probability density function and the mean and variances of it. That is $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x f_{\mu, \sigma^2}(x) dx = \mu$ and $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (x - \mu)^2 f_{\mu, \sigma^2}(x) dx = \sigma^2$

Let \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{m} be a fixed matrix and a fixed vector :

If \mathbf{v} is a Gaussian vector, then $\mathbf{m} + \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}$ is also a Gaussian vector



A stochastic process Z on \mathbb{R}^d is a **Gaussian process** when for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, for all $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n$, the random vector $(Z(\mathbf{x}_1), \dots, Z(\mathbf{x}_n))$ is Gaussian.

- A Gaussian process is **characterized** by its mean and covariance functions.

Why are Gaussian processes convenient ?

- Gaussian distribution is reasonable for modeling a large variety of random variables
- Gaussian processes are simple to define and simulate
- They are characterized by their mean and covariance functions
- Conditional distributions of components of Gaussian vectors are still Gaussian
- Gaussian processes have been the most studied theoretically

- When modeling computer experiments with Gaussian process, it is standard to have a constant or affine mean function :

$$M(\mathbf{x}) = a_0$$

or

$$M(\mathbf{x}) = a_1 x_1 + \dots + a_d x_d$$

- In geostatistics (when modeling natural data with Gaussian processes) one may consider more complex mean functions
- In this course, we consider Gaussian processes with **zero mean function** :

$$\forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d \quad M(\mathbf{x}) = 0$$

(Roughly speaking the computer model will play the role of a mean function)

The covariance function

The covariance function

$$C : (\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) \rightarrow C(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \text{cov}(Z(\mathbf{x}_1), Z(\mathbf{x}_2))$$

C must be **symmetric non-negative definite**

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \forall \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n \in \mathbb{R}^d, \forall \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in \mathbb{R} : \sum_{i,j=1}^n \lambda_i \lambda_j C(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) \geq 0$$

\Rightarrow the covariance matrix $[C(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)]_{i,j=1,\dots,n}$ must be non-negative definite

Often, we require the covariance function to be **positive definite** :

$$\text{if } (\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n) \text{ are 2-by-2 distinct and } (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) \neq (0, \dots, 0) : \sum_{i,j=1}^n \lambda_i \lambda_j C(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) > 0$$

\Rightarrow the covariance matrix $[C(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)]_{i,j=1,\dots,n}$ must be positive definite

\Rightarrow No $Z(\mathbf{x})$ can be expressed as a linear combination of $Z(\mathbf{x}_1), \dots, Z(\mathbf{x}_n)$ when

$\mathbf{x}_1 \neq \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n \neq \mathbf{x}_1$

$\Rightarrow \approx$ the realizations of Z are sufficiently complex

Stationarity

The covariance function C is stationary when

$$\forall \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2 \in \mathbb{R}^d : C(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = C(\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2)$$

⇒ The distribution of the Gaussian process with zero mean function and covariance function C is translation-invariant

Bochner's theorem

Consider a stationary function $C(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = C(\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2)$. Define the Fourier transform $\hat{C} : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ of C by

$$\hat{C}(\mathbf{f}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} C(\mathbf{t}) e^{-i\mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{t}} d\mathbf{t},$$

where $i^2 = -1$. Assume that

$$C(\mathbf{t}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \hat{C}(\mathbf{f}) e^{i\mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{t}} d\mathbf{f}$$

In this case :

$$C \text{ is symmetric non-negative definite} \iff \forall \mathbf{f} \in \mathbb{R}^d : \hat{C}(\mathbf{f}) \geq 0$$

$$C \text{ is symmetric positive definite} \iff \forall \mathbf{f} \in \mathbb{R}^d : \hat{C}(\mathbf{f}) > 0$$

Proof of \Leftarrow in Bochner's theorem

Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n \in \mathbb{R}^d$, $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i,j=1}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j C(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) &= \sum_{i,j=1}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \hat{C}(\mathbf{f}) e^{i\mathbf{f} \cdot (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)} d\mathbf{f} \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \hat{C}(\mathbf{f}) \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j e^{i\mathbf{f} \cdot (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)} \right) d\mathbf{f} \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \hat{C}(\mathbf{f}) \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^n \alpha_i e^{i\mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i} \overline{\alpha_j e^{i\mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{x}_j}} \right) d\mathbf{f} \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \hat{C}(\mathbf{f}) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i e^{i\mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i} \right) \overline{\left(\sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j e^{i\mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{x}_j} \right)} d\mathbf{f} \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \hat{C}(\mathbf{f}) \left| \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i e^{i\mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i} \right|^2 d\mathbf{f}\end{aligned}$$

This proves the symmetric non-negative definite part. The symmetric positive definite part is proved by remarking that for $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n$ 2-by-2 distinct, the functions $e^{i\mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{x}_1}, \dots, e^{i\mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{x}_n}$ are linearly independent

Mean square continuity

A Gaussian process Z is mean-square continuous on \mathbb{R}^d if for all $\mathbf{x}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$ we have

$$\mathbb{E}([Z(\mathbf{x}) - Z(\mathbf{x}_0)]^2) \xrightarrow{\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{x}_0} 0$$

Mean square differentiability (on \mathbb{R})

A Gaussian process Z is mean-square differentiable on \mathbb{R} if there exists a Gaussian process Z' on \mathbb{R} so that for all $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ we have

$$\mathbb{E} \left(\left[\frac{Z(x_0 + h) - Z(x_0)}{h} - Z'(x_0) \right]^2 \right) \xrightarrow{h \rightarrow 0, h > 0} 0$$

$\implies Z'$ is called the derivative process of Z

Mean square differentiability of higher order (on \mathbb{R})

Definition by induction : A Gaussian process Z is k times mean-square differentiable on \mathbb{R} with derivative process $Z^{(k)}$ if

- Z is $k - 1$ times mean-square differentiable on \mathbb{R} with derivative process $Z^{(k-1)}$
- $Z^{(k-1)}$ is mean-square differentiable on \mathbb{R} with derivative process $Z^{(k)}$

Proposition (continuity)

Let Z be a Gaussian process on \mathbb{R}^d with mean zero and covariance function C . Then Z is mean-square continuous on \mathbb{R}^d if and only if C is continuous on $\mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d$

Proposition (derivability)

Let Z be a Gaussian process on \mathbb{R} with mean zero and covariance function C . Then, if C is $2k$ times continuously differentiable on $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$, Z is k times mean square differentiable on \mathbb{R}

Proposition (link with Fourier transforms)

Let C be a stationary covariance function with Fourier transform \hat{C} . Then, if

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \hat{C}(\mathbf{f}) |\mathbf{f}|^l d\mathbf{f} < +\infty$$

C is l times continuously differentiable on $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \hat{C}(\mathbf{f}) \mathbf{f}^{2k} d\mathbf{f} < +\infty \implies C \text{ is } C^{2k} \implies Z \text{ is } k \text{ times mean square differentiable}$$

Matérn model

A covariance function C on \mathbb{R} is Matérn with covariance parameters $\phi > 0$, $\nu > 0$ and $\alpha > 0$ if C is stationary and its Fourier transform is

$$\hat{C}(f) = \phi \frac{1}{(\alpha^2 + f^2)^{\frac{1}{2} + \nu}}$$

- $\hat{C}(f) > 0 \implies C$ is symmetric positive definite
- ν : smoothness parameter.
 $\nu > k \iff \int_{\mathbb{R}} \hat{C}(f) f^{2k} df < +\infty \implies C$ is $2k$ times continuously differentiable $\implies Z$ is k times mean square differentiable.

Parameterization of the Matérn model

Alternative parameterization by $\sigma^2 > 0$, $\ell > 0$, $\nu > 0$:

$$C(x) = \frac{\sigma^2}{\Gamma(\nu)2^{\nu-1}} \left(\frac{2\sqrt{\nu}x}{\ell} \right)^\nu K_\nu \left(\frac{2\sqrt{\nu}x}{\ell} \right)$$

Interpretation of the parameters

- $\sigma^2 = K(0)$ is the **variance** \rightarrow **order of magnitude** of the Gaussian Process
- ℓ is the **correlation length** \rightarrow **scale of variation** of the Gaussian Process
- ν is the **smoothness** parameter \rightarrow **smoothness** of the Gaussian Process

Particular cases

- $\nu = \frac{1}{2}$: exponential covariance function

$$C(x) = \sigma^2 e^{-\sqrt{2} \frac{|x|}{\ell}}$$

⇒ mean square continuous

- $\nu = \frac{3}{2}$: Matérn 3/2 covariance function

$$C(x) = \sigma^2 \left(1 + \sqrt{6} \frac{|x|}{\ell} \right) e^{-\sqrt{6} \frac{|x|}{\ell}}$$

⇒ mean square differentiable

- $\nu = \frac{5}{2}$: Matérn 5/2 covariance function

$$C(x) = \sigma^2 \left(1 + \sqrt{10} \frac{|x|}{\ell} + \frac{10}{3} \frac{|x|^2}{\ell^2} \right) e^{-\sqrt{10} \frac{|x|}{\ell}}$$

⇒ twice mean square differentiable

- $\nu \rightarrow +\infty$: Gaussian covariance function

$$C(x) = \sigma^2 e^{-\frac{x^2}{\ell^2}}$$

⇒ infinitely mean square differentiable

Plot of some Matérn covariance functions on \mathbb{R}

The Matérn 3/2 covariance function

$$C_{\sigma^2, \ell}(x_1, x_2) = \sigma^2 \left(1 + \sqrt{6} \frac{|x_1 - x_2|}{\ell} \right) e^{-\sqrt{6} \frac{|x_1 - x_2|}{\ell}}$$

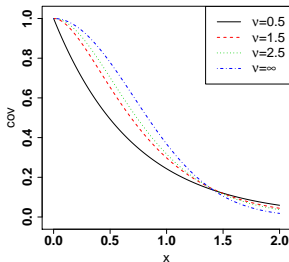
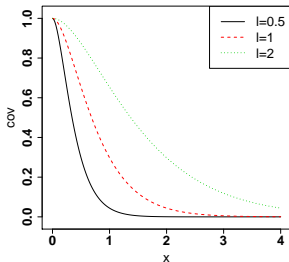
⇒ two times differentiable at 0 but not three times :

$$(1 + |t|)e^{-|t|} = 1 - \frac{t^2}{2} + \frac{|t|^3}{3} + O(t^4)$$

⇒ decreases with $|t|$

Plot of the Matérn covariance function with $\sigma^2 = 1$, $\ell = 1$ and $\nu = \frac{1}{2}$, $\nu = \frac{3}{2}$, $\nu = \frac{5}{2}$ and $\nu = \infty$.

⇒ The value of ℓ has the same interpretation regardless of ν



Impact of σ^2 on Gaussian process realizations

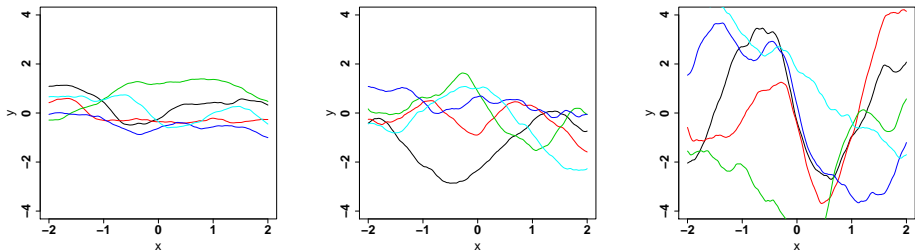


FIGURE: Influence of the variance parameter σ^2 for the Matérn covariance function. Plot of trajectories of Gaussian processes with the Matérn covariance function with correlation length $\ell = 1$, smoothness parameter $\nu = \frac{3}{2}$ and variance $\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{2}, 1, 2$ from left to right.

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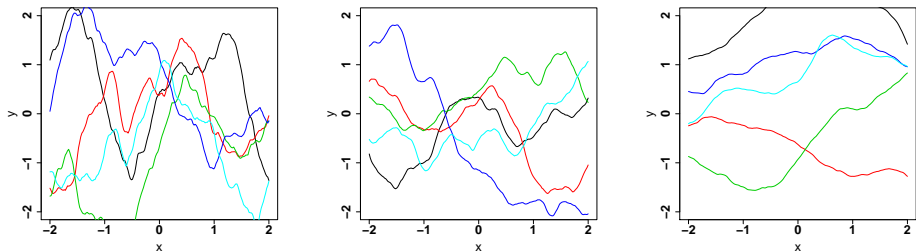


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Impact of ν on Gaussian process realizations

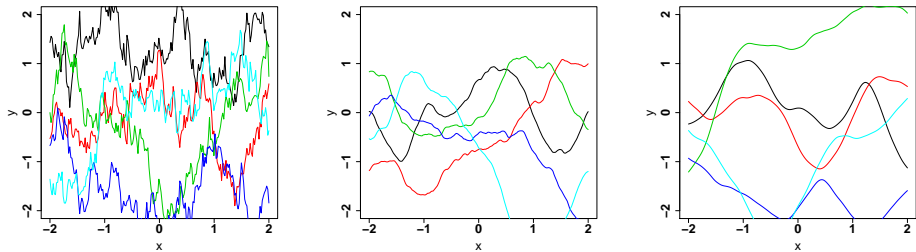


FIGURE: Influence of the smoothness parameter ν for the Matérn covariance function. Plot of trajectories of Gaussian processes with the Matérn covariance function with variance $\sigma^2 = 1$, correlation length $\ell = 1$ and smoothness parameter $\nu = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{5}{2}$ from left to right.

Geometric anisotropic Matérn covariance function

Parameterized by $\sigma^2 > 0, \ell_1 > 0, \dots, \ell_d > 0, \nu > 0$

Defined by, with

$$|\mathbf{x}|_\ell = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d \frac{x_i^2}{\ell_i^2}},$$

and with $C_{1,\nu}$ the Matérn covariance function in dimension one with $\sigma^2 = 1$ and $\ell = 1$,

$$C(\mathbf{x}) = \sigma^2 C_{1,\nu}(|\mathbf{x}|_\ell)$$

(symmetric positive definite, see [Stein 99](#), [Rasmussen 06](#))

Tensor product Matérn covariance function

Parameterized by $\sigma^2 > 0, \ell_1 > 0, \dots, \ell_d > 0, \nu > 0$

Defined by

$$C(\mathbf{x}) = \sigma^2 \prod_{i=1}^d C_{1,\nu}\left(\frac{x_i}{\ell_i}\right)$$

→ ℓ_i is the i -th correlation length and is the scale of variation corresponding to x_i

→ ℓ_i very large \iff Gaussian process realizations practically do not depend on x_i

General properties :

- If C_1, \dots, C_d are symmetric non-negative definite functions on $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$, then

$$C(\mathbf{x}) = C_1(x_1) \dots C_d(x_d)$$

is a symmetric non-negative definite functions on $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$

- If furthermore C_1, \dots, C_d are stationary covariance functions on \mathbb{R} , with Fourier transforms $\hat{C}_1, \dots, \hat{C}_d$, and if for $i = 1, \dots, d$

$$C_i(t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \hat{C}_i(f) e^{ift} df$$

then we have

$$\hat{C}(\mathbf{f}) = \hat{C}_1(f_1), \dots, \hat{C}_d(f_d)$$

and

$$C(\mathbf{t}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \hat{C}(\mathbf{f}) e^{i\mathbf{f}\mathbf{t}} d\mathbf{f}$$

⇒ The tensor product Matérn covariance function is symmetric positive definite

⇒ Tensorization always enables to build multidimensional covariance functions from monodimensional ones

Main tool for inference on Gaussian processes : Gaussian conditioning theorem

Theorem

Let $(\mathbf{Y}_1, \mathbf{Y}_2)^t$ be a $(n_1 + n_2) \times 1$ Gaussian vector with mean vector $(\mathbf{m}_1^t, \mathbf{m}_2^t)^t$ and covariance matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R}_1 & \mathbf{R}_{1,2} \\ \mathbf{R}_{1,2}^t & \mathbf{R}_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then, conditionally on $\mathbf{Y}_1 = \mathbf{y}_1$, \mathbf{Y}_2 is a Gaussian vector with mean

$$\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{Y}_2 | \mathbf{Y}_1 = \mathbf{y}_1) = \mathbf{m}_2 + \mathbf{R}_{1,2}^t \mathbf{R}_1^{-1} (\mathbf{y}_1 - \mathbf{m}_1)$$

and variance

$$\text{var}(\mathbf{Y}_2 | \mathbf{Y}_1 = \mathbf{y}_1) = \mathbf{R}_2 - \mathbf{R}_{1,2}^t \mathbf{R}_1^{-1} \mathbf{R}_{1,2}$$

Illustration

When $(Y_1, Y_2)^t$ be a 2×1 Gaussian vector with mean vector $(\mu_1, \mu_2)^t$ and covariance matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \rho \\ \rho & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then

$$\mathbb{E}(Y_2 | Y_1 = y_1) = \mu_2 + \rho(y_1 - \mu_1) \quad \text{and} \quad \text{var}(Y_2 | Y_1 = y_1) = 1 - \rho^2$$

- Gaussian processes are a model for random functions
- Characterized by mean and covariance functions
- Covariance function must be symmetric non-negative definite (many possibilities on $\mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d$)
- Matérn covariance function can carry information on
 - smoothness
 - scale of variations
 - order of magnitude
- For inference on Gaussian processes : Gaussian conditioning theorem
 - conditional distributions are Gaussian
 - explicit matricial formulas

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The stochastic model

With, for $i = 1, \dots, n$

$$\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \boxed{\text{physical system}} \rightarrow y_i \in \mathbb{R}$$

our **stochastic** model is

$$y_i = \sum_{j=1}^p h_j(\mathbf{x}_i) \beta_{0,j} + Z(\mathbf{x}_i) + \epsilon_i$$

where

- $\beta_0 = (\beta_{0,1}, \dots, \beta_{0,p})^t \sim \mathbb{N}(\beta_{\text{prior}}, \mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}})$, with β_{prior} and $\mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}}$ known
- $\mathbf{x}_i \in D$ is fixed and observed
- The functions $h_1, \dots, h_p : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ can be evaluated (partial derivatives of code function f)
- $\phi(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^p h_j(\mathbf{x}) \beta_{0,j} + Z(\mathbf{x})$ is the physical system function (code+model error)
- Z is a centered Gaussian process with unknown covariance function C
- $\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n \sim_{iid} \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_m^2)$
- y_i is thus an **observed Gaussian variable**

Comments :

- The randomness of $\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n$ is “frequentist”
- The randomness of β_0 and Z is “Bayesian”
- The model is **identifiable** when h_1, \dots, h_p are linearly independent

Let

- the $n \times 1$ vector $\mathbf{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_n)^t$
- the $n \times 1$ vector $\boldsymbol{\epsilon} = (\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n)^t$
- the $n \times 1$ vector $\mathbf{z} = (Z(\mathbf{x}_1), \dots, Z(\mathbf{x}_n))^t$
- the $n \times p$ matrix \mathbf{H} defined by $H_{i,j} = h_j(\mathbf{x}_i)$

Then we have

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{H}\boldsymbol{\beta}_0 + \mathbf{z} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$$

Let

- $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ be the $n \times n$ matrix defined by $\Sigma_{i,j} = \text{cov}(z_i, z_j) = C(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)$. Hence $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \text{cov}(\mathbf{z})$
- \mathbf{R} be the $n \times n$ matrix defined by $\mathbf{R} = \boldsymbol{\Sigma} + \sigma_m^2 \mathbf{I}_n$. Hence $\mathbf{R} = \text{cov}(\mathbf{z} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon})$

Then we have

$$\mathbf{y} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{H}\boldsymbol{\beta}_{\text{prior}}, \mathbf{H}\mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}}\mathbf{H}^t + \mathbf{R})$$

To estimate \mathbf{R} we need to estimate C and σ_m^2 :

- We select C in the parametric set $\{\sigma^2 C_\theta, \sigma^2 \in S \subset (0, \infty), \theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}^q\}$ (e.g. Matérn model)
- σ_m^2 is selected in the set S_m

Let for $(\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2) \in S \times \Theta \times S_m$

$$\mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2} = \sigma^2 \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta + \sigma_m^2 \mathbf{I}_n$$

with $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta$ the $n \times n$ matrix defined by $\Sigma_{\theta, i, j} = C_\theta(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)$

Remark : If the measure error variance σ_m^2 is known (expert knowledge), the following remains valid with $S_m = \{\sigma_m^2\}$

Under covariance parameters $(\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2)$ we have :

$$\mathbf{y} \sim \mathcal{N} \left(\mathbf{H}\beta_{prior}, \mathbf{H}\mathbf{Q}_{prior}\mathbf{H}^t + \mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2} \right)$$

Let

- \mathbf{W} be a $(n - p) \times n$ matrix, with full rank, so that $\mathbf{W}\mathbf{H} = 0$
- $\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{y}$

Then \mathbf{w} is a Gaussian vector and we have

$$\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{H}\beta_{prior} = 0$$

and

$$\text{cov}(\mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{H}\mathbf{Q}_{prior}\mathbf{H}^t\mathbf{W}^t + \mathbf{W}\mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}\mathbf{W}^t = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}\mathbf{W}^t$$

Then **restricted maximum likelihood** on \mathbf{y} is **maximum likelihood** on \mathbf{w} :

$$(\hat{\sigma}^2, \hat{\theta}, \hat{\sigma}_m^2) \in \underset{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2 \in \mathcal{S} \times \Theta \times \mathcal{S}_m}{\text{argmin}} \ln(|\mathbf{W}\mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}\mathbf{W}^t|) + \mathbf{w}^t(\mathbf{W}\mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}\mathbf{W}^t)^{-1}\mathbf{w}$$

\implies We are not impacted by β_{prior} and \mathbf{Q}_{prior}

Proposition (Harville, 74)

- i) Changing \mathbf{W} only multiplies the restricted likelihood by a constant not depending on $\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2$
 ii) For \mathbf{W} so that $\mathbf{W}\mathbf{W}^t = \mathbf{I}_{n-m}$ and $\mathbf{W}^t\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{H}^t\mathbf{H})^{-1}\mathbf{H}^t$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \ln(|\mathbf{W}\mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}\mathbf{W}^t|) + \mathbf{w}^t(\mathbf{W}\mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}\mathbf{W}^t)^{-1}\mathbf{w} \\ &= -\ln|\mathbf{H}^t\mathbf{H}| + \ln|\mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}| + \ln|\mathbf{H}^t\mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1}\mathbf{H}| + \mathbf{y}^t\boldsymbol{\Pi}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}\mathbf{y}, \end{aligned}$$

with

$$\boldsymbol{\Pi}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2} = \mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} - \mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1}\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{H}^t\mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1}\mathbf{H})^{-1}\mathbf{H}^t\mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1}$$

- iii) Let $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{S}\mathbf{V}^t$ with $n \times p$ matrix \mathbf{U} so that $\mathbf{U}^t\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{I}_{p,p}$, $p \times p$ diagonal matrix \mathbf{S} with non-negative components, and orthogonal $p \times p$ matrix \mathbf{V} . Then

$$\begin{aligned} (\hat{\sigma}^2, \hat{\theta}, \hat{\sigma}_m^2) \in & \underset{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2 \in \mathcal{S} \times \Theta \times \mathcal{S}_m}{\operatorname{argmin}} \ln \left| \mathbf{U}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{U} \right| + \ln \left| \mathbf{R}_{\sigma, \theta, \sigma_m^2} \right| + \mathbf{y}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{y} \\ & - \mathbf{y}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{U} (\mathbf{U}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{U})^{-1} \mathbf{U}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{y} \end{aligned}$$

- The estimator $(\hat{\sigma}^2, \hat{\theta}, \hat{\sigma}_m^2)$ is not impacted by the choice of \mathbf{W}
- We can avoid $n \times n$ matrix products. The condition number of \mathbf{H} is not impacting the estimation

Proof of i)

Let \mathbf{W}_1 and \mathbf{W}_2 so that, for $i = 1, 2$ \mathbf{W}_i is $(n - p) \times n$, with full rank, so that $\mathbf{W}_i \mathbf{H} = 0$.

Let E be the linear space orthogonal to the column space of \mathbf{H} . Then $E \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ has dimension $n - p$. Let P_E be the orthogonal projection from \mathbb{R}^n to E . Let, for $i = 1, 2$, S_i be the linear mapping from E to \mathbb{R}^p defined by $S_i \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{W}_i^t \mathbf{v}$. Then S_i is invertible with inverse $S_i^{-1} : \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow E$.

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{W}_2^t \mathbf{y} &= \mathbf{W}_2^t (P_E \mathbf{y}) \\ &= S_2 P_E \mathbf{y} \\ &= S_2 S_1^{-1} S_1 P_E \mathbf{y} \\ &= S_2 S_1^{-1} \mathbf{W}_1^t (P_E \mathbf{y}) \\ &= S_2 S_1^{-1} (\mathbf{W}_1^t \mathbf{y}) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, there exists an invertible $p \times p$ matrix \mathbf{F} so that $\mathbf{W}_2^t \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{F} \mathbf{W}_1^t \mathbf{y}$. Hence, with $g_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}$ the pdf of $\mathbf{W}_1^t \mathbf{y}$,

$$\mathbb{E}(f(\mathbf{W}_2^t \mathbf{y})) = \mathbb{E}(f(\mathbf{F} \mathbf{W}_1^t \mathbf{y})) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^p} f(\mathbf{F} \mathbf{z}) g_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}(\mathbf{z}) d\mathbf{z} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^p} f(\mathbf{z}) g_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}(\mathbf{F}^{-1} \mathbf{z}) |\mathbf{F}^{-1}| d\mathbf{z}$$

so that

$$(\text{likelihood of } \mathbf{W}_2^t \mathbf{y}) = g_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}(\mathbf{F}^{-1} \mathbf{W}_2^t \mathbf{y}) |\mathbf{F}^{-1}| = g_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}(\mathbf{W}_1^t \mathbf{y}) |\mathbf{F}^{-1}| = |\mathbf{F}^{-1}| (\text{likelihood of } \mathbf{W}_1^t \mathbf{y})$$

For ii), see [Harville, 74](#)

For iii)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -\ln |\mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{H}| + \ln |\mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}| + \ln |\mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{H}| + \mathbf{y}^t \boldsymbol{\Pi}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2} \mathbf{y} \\
 = & -\ln |\mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{H}| + \ln |\mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}| + \ln |\mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{H}| + \mathbf{y}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{y} \\
 & - \mathbf{y}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{H} (\mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{H})^{-1} \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{y} \\
 = & -\ln |\mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{H}| + \ln |\mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}| + \ln |\mathbf{V} \mathbf{S} \mathbf{U}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{U} \mathbf{S} \mathbf{V}^t| + \mathbf{y}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{y} \\
 & - \mathbf{y}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{U} \mathbf{S} \mathbf{V}^t (\mathbf{V} \mathbf{S} \mathbf{U}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{U} \mathbf{S} \mathbf{V}^t)^{-1} \mathbf{V} \mathbf{S} \mathbf{U}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{y} \\
 = & -\ln |\mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{H}| + \ln |\mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}| + 2 \ln |\mathbf{V} \mathbf{S}| + \ln |\mathbf{U}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{U}| + \mathbf{y}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{y} \\
 & - \mathbf{y}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{U} \mathbf{S} \mathbf{V}^t (\mathbf{S} \mathbf{V}^t)^{-1} (\mathbf{U}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{U})^{-1} (\mathbf{V} \mathbf{S})^{-1} \mathbf{V} \mathbf{S} \mathbf{U}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{y} \\
 = & -\ln |\mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{H}| + 2 \ln |\mathbf{V} \mathbf{S}| + \ln \left| \mathbf{U}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{U} \right| + \ln \left| \mathbf{R}_{\sigma, \theta, \sigma_m^2} \right| + \mathbf{y}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{y} \\
 & - \mathbf{y}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{U} (\mathbf{U}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{U})^{-1} \mathbf{U}^t \mathbf{R}_{\sigma, \theta, \sigma_m^2}^{-1} \mathbf{y}
 \end{aligned}$$

Plug-in

- C is estimated by $C_{\hat{\sigma}^2, \hat{\theta}}$
- σ_m^2 is estimated by $\hat{\sigma}_m^2$
- We make the approximation that $C = C_{\hat{\sigma}^2, \hat{\theta}}$ and that $\sigma_m^2 = \hat{\sigma}_m^2$ to compute all subsequent conditional distributions

⇒ convenient simplification

⇒ one alternative : Bayesian framework on $\sigma^2, \theta, \sigma_m^2$

In the rest of this section we consider that C and σ_m^2 are known

Proposition

We have

$$\mathcal{L}(\beta_0 | \mathbf{y}) = \mathcal{N}(\beta_{post}, \mathbf{Q}_{post})$$

with

- $\beta_{post} = \beta_{prior} + (\mathbf{Q}_{prior}^{-1} + \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H})^{-1} \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H} \beta_{prior})$
- $\mathbf{Q}_{post} = (\mathbf{Q}_{prior}^{-1} + \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H})^{-1}$

Comments

- Everything remains **linear Gaussian**
- Posterior uncertainty $<$ prior uncertainty
- $\beta_{post} \xrightarrow{\mathbf{R}^{-1} \rightarrow 0} \beta_{prior}$ and $\mathbf{Q}_{post} \xrightarrow{\mathbf{R}^{-1} \rightarrow 0} \mathbf{Q}_{prior}$
- If p is fixed and $n \rightarrow \infty$, we **do not necessarily have** $\mathbf{Q}_{post} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$
 - \implies Properties of fixed domain asymptotics ([book](#), [Stein 99](#))
 - \implies Related to the identifiability issues for the realizations of Z and β_0
 - \implies cf exercise session

The Gaussian pdf with mean vector \mathbf{m} and covariance matrix $\mathbf{\Sigma}$ is of the form

$$\ln(p(\mathbf{z})) = \text{Cst.} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{z}^t \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1} \mathbf{z} + \mathbf{z}^t \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1} \mathbf{m},$$

where Cst. does not depend on \mathbf{z} .

We have, where Cst. does not depend on β

$$\begin{aligned} \ln(p_{\beta_0|\mathbf{y}}(\beta|\mathbf{y})) &= \ln\left(\frac{p_{\mathbf{y}|\beta_0}(\mathbf{y}|\beta)p_{\beta_0}(\beta)}{p_{\mathbf{y}}(\mathbf{y})}\right) \\ &= \text{Cst.} - \frac{1}{2}(\beta - \beta_{\text{prior}})^t \mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}}^{-1}(\beta - \beta_{\text{prior}}) - \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H}\beta)^t \mathbf{R}^{-1}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H}\beta) \\ &= \text{Cst.} - \frac{1}{2}\beta^t \mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}}^{-1}\beta + \beta^t \mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}}^{-1}\beta_{\text{prior}} - \frac{1}{2}\beta^t \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H}\beta + \beta^t \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{y} \\ &= \text{Cst.} - \frac{1}{2}\beta^t (\mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}}^{-1} + \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H})\beta + \beta^t (\mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}}^{-1}\beta_{\text{prior}} + \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{y}) \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\mathbf{Q}_{\text{post}} = (\mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}}^{-1} + \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H})^{-1}$$

and

$$\beta_{\text{post}} = (\mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}}^{-1} + \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H})^{-1} (\mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}}^{-1}\beta_{\text{prior}} + \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{y})$$

$$\begin{aligned}\beta_{post} &= (\mathbf{Q}_{prior}^{-1} + \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H})^{-1} (\mathbf{Q}_{prior}^{-1} \beta_{prior} + \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{y}) \\ &= (\mathbf{Q}_{prior}^{-1} + \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H})^{-1} (\mathbf{Q}_{prior}^{-1} \beta_{prior} + \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H} \beta_{prior}) + \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H} \beta_{prior}) \\ &= \beta_{prior} + (\mathbf{Q}_{prior}^{-1} + \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H})^{-1} \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H} \beta_{prior})\end{aligned}$$

- Observation of the physical system : for $i = 1, \dots, n$ $y_i = x_i^2 + \epsilon_i$. $\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n$ are iid $\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_m^2)$ with $\sigma_m^2 = 0$ (without measure errors) or $\sigma_m^2 = 0.1^2$ (with measure errors)
- Computer model : $f(x, \beta) = \beta_1 + \beta_2 x$
- Model error as a realization of a Gaussian process with covariance function :
$$C(x, y) = \sigma^2 \exp\left(-\frac{|x-y|^2}{\ell^2}\right)$$
. $\sigma = 0.3$, $\ell = 0.5$ (known)
- $$\beta_{prior} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, Q_{prior} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.09 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.09 \end{pmatrix}$$
- Observations : $x_1 = 0.2$, $x_2 = 0.4$, $x_3 = 0.6$ and $x_4 = 0.8$ on $D = [0, 1]$

Illustration of calibration (2/3) (without measure errors)

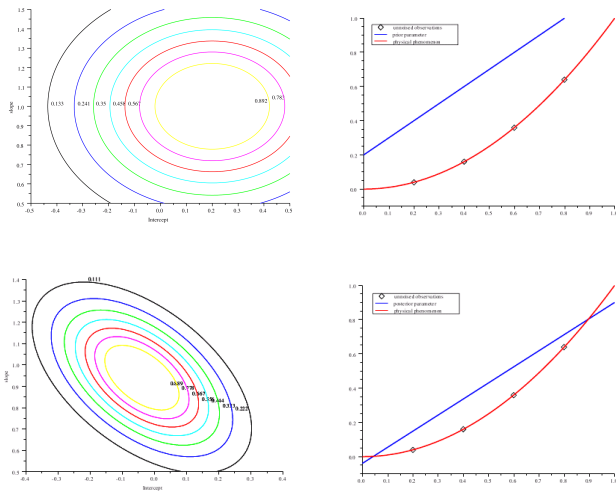


FIGURE: Up-left : prior probability density function of the parameter β_0 . Down-left : posterior probability density function of the parameter β_0 . Right : plot of the code response corresponding to prior and posterior mean of the code parameter.

Illustration of calibration (3/3) (with measure errors)

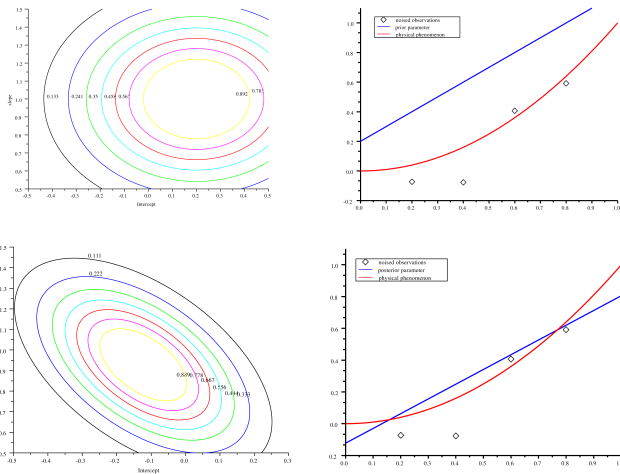


FIGURE: Up-left : Prior probability density function of the parameter β_0 . Down-left : Posterior probability density function of the parameter β_0 . Right : plot of the code response corresponding to prior and posterior mean of the code parameter.

Goal : To compute $\mathcal{L}(\phi(\mathbf{x}_0)|\mathbf{y})$ at a new experimental condition \mathbf{x}_0

Notations

- y_0 : potential observation at \mathbf{x}_0 . $y_0 = \phi(\mathbf{x}_0) + \epsilon_0$ with $\epsilon_0 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_m^2)$ (independent of the rest)
- $\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0)$: $p \times 1$ vector defined by $[\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0)]_j = h_j(\mathbf{x}_0)$
- $\mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0)$: $n \times 1$ vector defined by $[\mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0)]_i = \text{cov}(Z(\mathbf{x}_i), Z(\mathbf{x}_0)) = C(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_0)$

Proposition

$$\mathcal{L}(\phi(\mathbf{x}_0)|\mathbf{y}) = \mathcal{N}(\hat{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_0), \hat{\sigma}^2(\mathbf{x}_0))$$

$$\mathcal{L}(y_0|\mathbf{y}) = \mathcal{N}(\hat{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_0), \hat{\sigma}^2(\mathbf{x}_0) + \sigma_m^2)$$

with

- $\hat{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_0) = (\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0))^t \boldsymbol{\beta}_{post} + (\mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0))^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H} \boldsymbol{\beta}_{post})$
- $\hat{\sigma}^2(\mathbf{x}_0) = \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{x}_0) - \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0)^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0) + (\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0) - \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0))^t (\mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H} + \mathbf{Q}_{prior}^{-1})^{-1} (\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0) - \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0))$

- The prediction expression is decomposed into a calibration term and a Gaussian inference term of the model error.
- When the code has a small error on the n observations, the prediction at x_0 uses almost only the calibrated code.
- $\mathcal{L}(y_0|\mathbf{y})$ can be used in cross validation of the stochastic model

Law of total expectation :

$$\mathbb{E}(\phi(\mathbf{x}_0)|\mathbf{y}) = \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}(\phi(\mathbf{x}_0)|\mathbf{y}, \beta_0)|\mathbf{y}]$$

Then, since

$$p(\phi(\mathbf{x}_0)|\mathbf{y}, \beta_0) = \frac{p(\phi(\mathbf{x}_0), \mathbf{y}, \beta_0)}{p(\mathbf{y}, \beta_0)} = \frac{p(\phi(\mathbf{x}_0), \mathbf{y}, \beta_0)p(\beta_0)}{p(\mathbf{y}, \beta_0)p(\beta_0)} = \frac{p(\phi(\mathbf{x}_0), \mathbf{y}|\beta_0)}{p(\mathbf{y}|\beta_0)} = p_{|\beta_0}(\phi(\mathbf{x}_0)|\mathbf{y}),$$

we have

$$\mathbb{E}(\phi(\mathbf{x}_0)|\mathbf{y}, \beta_0) = \mathbb{E}_{|\beta_0}(\phi(\mathbf{x}_0)|\mathbf{y})$$

Now, conditionally to β_0 ,

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_0 \\ \mathbf{y} \end{pmatrix} \sim \mathcal{N} \left(\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0)^t \beta_0 \\ \mathbf{H} \beta_0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} C(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{x}_0) & \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0)^t \\ \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0) & \mathbf{R} \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

Hence, from the Gaussian conditioning theorem

$$\mathbb{E}_{|\beta_0}(\phi(\mathbf{x}_0)|\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0)^t \beta_0 + \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0)^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H} \beta_0).$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}(\phi(\mathbf{x}_0)|\mathbf{y}) &= \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0)^t \beta_0 + \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0)^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H} \beta_0) | \mathbf{y}] \\ &= (\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0))^t \beta_{post} + (\mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0))^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H} \beta_{post}) \end{aligned}$$

Law of total variance :

$$\text{var}(\phi(\mathbf{x}_0)|\mathbf{y}) = \mathbb{E}[\text{var}(\phi(\mathbf{x}_0)|\mathbf{y}, \beta_0)|\mathbf{y}] + \text{var}[\mathbb{E}(\phi(\mathbf{x}_0)|\mathbf{y}, \beta_0)|\mathbf{y}]$$

We have, from the previous Gaussian conditioning theorem,

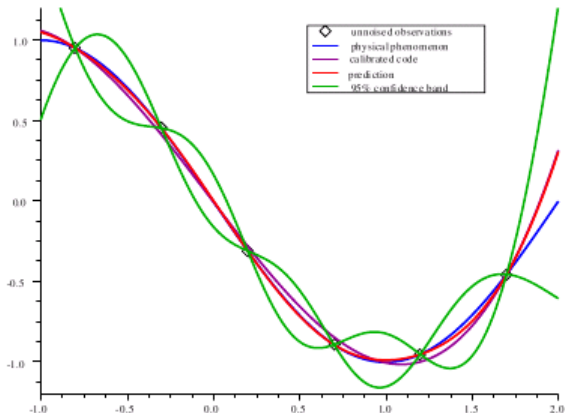
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[\text{var}(\phi(\mathbf{x}_0)|\mathbf{y}, \beta_0)|\mathbf{y}] &= \mathbb{E}[C(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{x}_0) - \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0)^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0)|\mathbf{y}] \\ &= C(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{x}_0) - \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0)^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \text{var}[\mathbb{E}(\phi(\mathbf{x}_0)|\mathbf{y}, \beta_0)|\mathbf{y}] &= \text{var}[\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0)^t \beta_0 + \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0)^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H} \beta_0)|\mathbf{y}] \\ &= \text{var}[(\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0)^t - \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0)^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H}) \beta_0 | \mathbf{y}] \\ &= \text{var}[(\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0) - \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0))^t \beta_0 | \mathbf{y}] \\ &= (\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0) - \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0))^t \mathbf{Q}_{\text{post}} (\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0) - \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0)) \\ &= (\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0) - \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0))^t (\mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}}^{-1} + \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H})^{-1} (\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_0) - \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0)) \end{aligned}$$

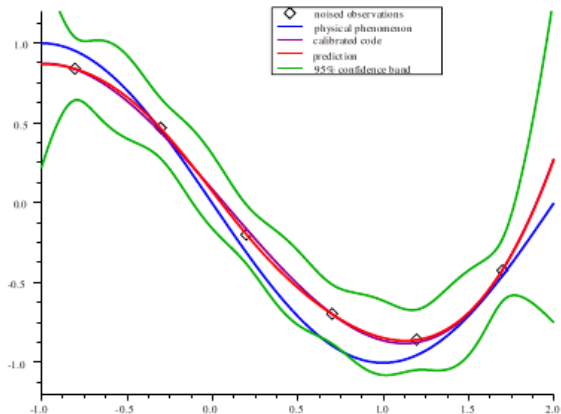
- Observation of the physical system : for $i = 1, \dots, n$, $y_i = -\sin(\frac{\pi x}{2}) + \epsilon_i$ $\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n$ are iid $\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_m^2)$ with $\sigma_m^2 = 0$ (without measure errors) or $\sigma_m^2 = 0.1^2$ (with measure errors)
- Computer model : $f(x, \beta) = \beta_1 + \beta_2 x + \beta_3 x^2 + \beta_4 x^3$
- Model error as a realization of a Gaussian process with covariance function :
$$C(x, y) = \sigma^2 \exp\left(-\frac{|x-y|^2}{\ell^2}\right)$$
. $\sigma = 0.3$, $\ell = 0.5$ (known)
- \mathbf{Q}_{prior} very large
- $D = [-1, 2]$: 6 observations regularly sampled between -0.8 and 1.7

Illustration of prediction (2/3) (without measure errors)



- The use of the model error improves the prediction given by the numerical code

Illustration of prediction (3/3) (with measure errors)



- The measure error deteriorates the quality of the predictions
- The confidence intervals are however still reliable

We now illustrate the implementation of this Gaussian process model with the [FLICA IV](#) case study

Based on



F. Bachoc, G. Bois, J. Garnier and J.M Martinez, Calibration and improved prediction of computer models by universal Kriging, *Nuclear Science and Engineering* 176(1) 81-97, 2014.

$$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \boxed{\text{physical system}} \rightarrow y \in \mathbb{R}$$

The experiment/physical system

- Pressurized and possibly heated water flowing through a cylinder
- We measure the pressure drop between the two ends of the cylinder
- y : the part of the pressure drop due to friction

Two kinds of experimental conditions

x is partitioned into

- **System parameters** : Hydraulic diameter D_h , Friction height H_f , Channel width e
- **Environment variables** : Output pressure P_o , Flowrate G_e , Wall heat flux Φ_w , Liquid enthalpy h_e^l , Thermodynamic title X_{th}^e , Input temperature T_i

Experimental results

There are $n = 253$ experimental results $\mathbf{x}_1, y_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n, y_n$

- Only 8 configurations of system parameters are explored ! (8 campaigns where a system is built and tested under different environments)

FLICA IV modelling of the experiment is based on the local relations

$$\Delta P_{fric} = \frac{H}{2\rho D_h} G^2 f_{iso} f_h,$$

$$f_{iso} = \begin{cases} \frac{a_l}{Re} & \text{if } Re < Re_l \\ \frac{a_t}{Re^{b_t}} & \text{if } Re_t < Re \\ \frac{a_l}{Re} \frac{Re_t - Re}{Re_t - Re_l} + \frac{a_t}{Re^{b_t}} \frac{Re - Re_l}{Re_t - Re_l} & \text{if } Re_l < Re < Re_t \end{cases}$$

and

$$f_h = 1 - \frac{P_h}{P_w} \frac{C_f (T_w - T_b)}{1 + d \left(\frac{T_w + T_b}{2T_0} \right)^n},$$

where a_l, a_t, b_t, C_f, n, d are the model parameters

- The local relations above are integrated numerically
- We focus on the parameters a_t, b_t and fix the parameters a_l, C_f, n, d to nominal values. Hence $\beta_0 = (a_t, b_t)^t$. We let $\beta_{prior} = (0.22, 0.21)^t$ and $\mathbf{Q}_{prior} = \text{diag}(0.11^2, 0.105^2)$
- When $f_h = 1$: Isothermal regime. Else anisothermal regime. Among the 253 experiments, 115 are in the isothermal regime
- Run time ≈ 1 min

We experimented the following settings for the choice of C and σ_m^2

- Let $\mathbf{x} = (\mathbf{x}_s, \mathbf{x}_e)$ (decomposition between system parameters and environment variables).
Then
 - either $C(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \bar{C}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$ (dependence between different system parameters)
 - or $C(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \mathbf{1}_{\{\mathbf{x}_{s,1} = \mathbf{x}_{s,2}\}} \bar{C}(\mathbf{x}_{e,1}, \mathbf{x}_{e,2})$ (independence between different system parameters)
- Exponential, Matérn 3/2, Matérn 5/2 and Gaussian for \bar{C}
- σ_m^2 either provided by experimentalists or estimated by restricted maximum likelihood

⇒ the prediction differences were small

⇒ In the sequel we present the results with $C(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \bar{C}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$ and σ_m^2 provided by experimentalists

10-fold cross validation :

- We partition the 253 experimental results into 10 subsets.
- For each y_i , we compute $\tilde{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_i)$ and $\tilde{\sigma}^2(\mathbf{x}_i) + \sigma_m^2$ as $\hat{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_i)$ and $\hat{\sigma}^2(\mathbf{x}_i) + \sigma_m^2$ but when only the 9 subsets not containing y_i are used
- We re-estimate the β_0 , C and σ_m^2 for each left out subset (10 estimations)
- In each subset **all** of the 8 system parameter configurations are present
⇒ We predict for **known** system parameters

Prediction criteria :

- root mean square error (RMSE) ; should be minimal

$$RMSE = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \tilde{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_i))^2$$

- 90% confidence intervals ; should be close to 0.9

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1} \left\{ |y_i - \tilde{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_i)| \leq 1.645 \sqrt{\tilde{\sigma}^2(\mathbf{x}_i) + \sigma_m^2} \right\}$$

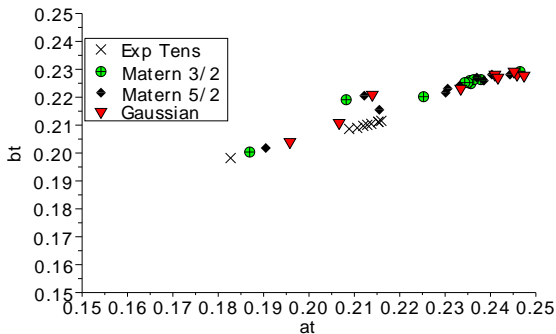


FIGURE: For each choice of covariance function for C : the 10 values of $\beta_{post} = (a_{t,post}, b_{t,post})^t$ for the 10 left out subsets.

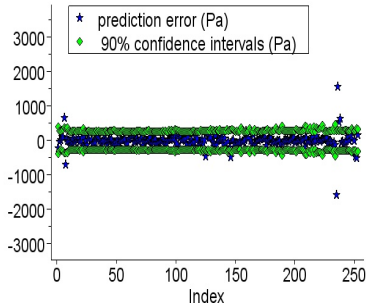
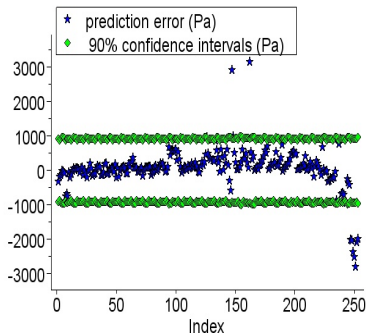
The empirical correlation between a_t and b_t comes from the relation $a_t R_e^{-b_t}$

FLICA IV : prediction results

Prediction results with 10-fold cross validation of the 253 experimental results :

	RMSE	90% Confidence Intervals
Calibrated code	567 Pa	241/253 \approx 0.95
Gaussian Processes	196 Pa	241/253 \approx 0.95

Left : calibrated code. Right : Gaussian processes



- Our setting

$$y_i = f(\mathbf{x}_i, \beta_0) + Z(\mathbf{x}_i) + \epsilon_i$$

- Physical system (quantity of interest)

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}_i) = f(\mathbf{x}_i, \beta_0) + Z(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

- model error Z : Gaussian process
- Bayesian framework for β_0
- Linearization of $f(\mathbf{x}, \beta_0) \implies$ calibration and prediction
 - we stay in the linear Gaussian framework
 - explicit matrix vector formulas
- identifiability issue solved in the stochastic framework (different code functions \implies different distributions of the Gaussian process Z)
- identifiability issue is likely to remain in practice

\implies we now investigate the limitations of the linear approximation of the code

- 1 General introduction to calibration
- 2 Introduction to Gaussian processes
- 3 Gaussian process-based calibration and improved prediction : linear case
- 4 Gaussian process-based calibration and improved prediction : non-linear case**
- 5 Examples of recent methodological developments (by Guillaume Damblin, Merlin Keller and Guillaume Perrin)

The stochastic model is, for $i = 1, \dots, n$

$$y_i = f(\mathbf{x}_i, \beta_0) + Z(\mathbf{x}_i) + \epsilon_i$$

Let for $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^p$

- \mathbf{f}_β be the $n \times 1$ vector defined by

$$[\mathbf{f}_\beta]_i = f(\mathbf{x}_i, \beta)$$

- \mathbf{H}_β be the $n \times p$ matrix defined by

$$[\mathbf{H}_\beta]_{i,j} = \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x}_i, \beta)}{\partial \beta_j}$$

Then, a linear approximation around $\beta_{nom} \in \mathbb{R}^p$ yields

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{y} &= \mathbf{f}_{\beta_0} + \mathbf{z} + \epsilon \\ &\approx \mathbf{f}_{\beta_{nom}} + \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom}}(\beta_0 - \beta_{nom}) + \mathbf{z} + \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

\implies this is our model from Section 3 when $\beta_{nom} = 0$ and $\mathbf{f}_{\beta_{nom}} = 0$. \implies We can always recover this setting upon changing the definition of β and \mathbf{y}

From the calibration proposition in Section 3, if the relation

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{f}_{\beta_{nom}} + \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom}}(\beta_0 - \beta_{nom}) + \mathbf{z} + \epsilon$$

is exact, then we have

$$\mathbb{E}(\beta_0 | \mathbf{y}) = \beta_{prior} + (\mathbf{Q}_{prior}^{-1} + \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom}}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom}})^{-1} \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom}}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}_{\beta_{nom}} - \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom}}(\beta_{prior} - \beta_{nom}))$$

and

$$\text{cov}(\beta_0 | \mathbf{y}) = (\mathbf{Q}_{prior}^{-1} + \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom}}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom}})$$

Proof : We have

$$\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}_{\beta_{nom}} = \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom}}(\beta_0 - \beta_{nom}) + \mathbf{z} + \epsilon$$

and $\beta_0 - \beta_{nom} \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta_{prior} - \beta_{nom}, \mathbf{Q}_{prior})$, so we can apply the proposition in Section 3 which gives

$$\mathbb{E}(\beta_0 - \beta_{nom} | \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}_{\beta_{nom}}) =$$

$$\beta_{prior} - \beta_{nom} + (\mathbf{Q}_{prior}^{-1} + \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom}}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom}})^{-1} \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom}}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}_{\beta_{nom}} - \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom}}(\beta_{prior} - \beta_{nom}))$$

and

$$\text{var}(\beta_0 - \beta_{nom} | \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}_{\beta_{nom}}) = (\mathbf{Q}_{prior}^{-1} + \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom}}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom}})$$

Algorithm

Start with $i = 1$ and $\beta_{nom,1} = \beta_{nom}$

Until $\beta_{nom,i+1} \approx \beta_{nom,i}$ (or after a computation budget is reached) do

① Compute $\mathbf{f}_{\beta_{nom,i}}$ and $\mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom,i}}$ (calls to the computer model)

② Let

$$\beta_{nom,i+1} =$$

$$\beta_{prior} + (\mathbf{Q}_{prior}^{-1} + \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom,i}}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom,i}})^{-1} \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom,i}}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}_{\beta_{nom,i}} - \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom,i}} (\beta_{prior} - \beta_{nom,i}))$$

③ Let $i = i + 1$

At the end of the algorithm, one can use $\beta_{nom} = \beta_{nom,i}$ for the linear approximation, compute $\mathbf{f}_{\beta_{nom,i}}$ and $\mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom,i}}$, and use the calibration and prediction formulas of Section 3

⇒ We aim at choosing the linearization point at the maximum a posteriori, so that the linear approximation is most accurate where the conditional distribution concentrates

Prediction : general formulas

Let for $\mathbf{x}_0 \in D$, $\mathbf{h}_{\beta_{nom}}(\mathbf{x}_0)$ be the $p \times 1$ vector defined by

$$[\mathbf{h}_{\beta_{nom}}(\mathbf{x}_0)]_j = \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x}_0, \beta_{nom})}{\partial \beta_j}$$

If the two relations

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{f}_{\beta_{nom}} + \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom}}(\beta_0 - \beta_{nom}) + \mathbf{z} + \epsilon$$

$$y_0 = f(\mathbf{x}_0, \beta_{nom}) + \mathbf{h}_{\beta_{nom}}(\mathbf{x}_0)^t(\beta_0 - \beta_{nom}) + Z(\mathbf{x}_0) + \epsilon_0$$

are exact, then we have

$$\mathcal{L}(\phi(\mathbf{x}_0)|\mathbf{y}) = \mathcal{N}(\hat{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_0), \hat{\sigma}^2(x_0)) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{L}(y_0|\mathbf{y}) = \mathcal{N}(\hat{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_0), \hat{\sigma}^2(x_0) + \sigma_m^2)$$

with

$$\hat{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_0) =$$

$$f(\mathbf{x}_0, \beta_{nom}) + (\mathbf{h}_{\beta_{nom}}(\mathbf{x}_0))^t(\beta_{post} - \beta_{nom}) + (\mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0))^t \mathbf{R}^{-1}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}_{\beta_{nom}} - \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom}}(\beta_{post} - \beta_{nom}))$$

and

$$\hat{\sigma}^2(\mathbf{x}_0) = C(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{x}_0) - \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0)^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0)$$

$$+ (\mathbf{h}_{\beta_{nom}}(\mathbf{x}_0) - \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom}}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0))^t (\mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom}}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom}} + Q_{prior}^{-1})^{-1} (\mathbf{h}_{\beta_{nom}}(\mathbf{x}_0) - \mathbf{H}_{\beta_{nom}}^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0))$$

Proof : same as for calibration

We have

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{f}_{\beta_0} + \mathbf{z} + \epsilon,$$

and

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}_0) = f(\mathbf{x}_0, \beta_0) + Z(\mathbf{x}_0)$$

Hence

$$\mathbb{E}(\beta_0 | \mathbf{y}) = \frac{\int_{\beta \in \mathbb{R}^d} \beta p(\mathbf{y} | \beta) p(\beta) d\beta}{\int_{\beta \in \mathbb{R}^d} p(\mathbf{y} | \beta) p(\beta) d\beta}$$

and

$$\text{cov}(\beta_0 | \mathbf{y}) = \frac{\int_{\beta \in \mathbb{R}^d} \beta \beta^t p(\mathbf{y} | \beta) p(\beta) d\beta}{\int_{\beta \in \mathbb{R}^d} p(\mathbf{y} | \beta) p(\beta) d\beta} - \mathbb{E}(\beta_0 | \mathbf{y}) \mathbb{E}(\beta_0 | \mathbf{y})^t$$

with

$$p(\mathbf{y} | \beta) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2} \sqrt{|\mathbf{R}|}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}_\beta)^t \mathbf{R}^{-1}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}_\beta)\right)$$

and

$$p(\beta) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{p/2} \sqrt{|\mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}}|}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\beta - \beta_{\text{prior}})^t \mathbf{Q}_{\text{prior}}^{-1}(\beta - \beta_{\text{prior}})\right)$$

One approximate non-linear calibration

We approximate the integrals with sums :

Let $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_N \in \mathbb{R}^p$ be suitable to approximate integrals

⇒ e.g. taken by determining a compact $B \subset \mathbb{R}^p$ containing most of the mass of $p(\beta)$, and then by random or regular sampling

⇒ possibility to use integration quadratures as well

Then one can use

$$\tilde{\mathbb{E}}(\beta_0 | \mathbf{y}) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N \beta_i p(\mathbf{y} | \beta_i) p(\beta_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^N p(\mathbf{y} | \beta_i) p(\beta_i)}$$

and

$$\text{cov}(\beta_0 | \mathbf{y}) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N \beta_i \beta_i^t p(\mathbf{y} | \beta_i) p(\beta_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^N p(\mathbf{y} | \beta_i) p(\beta_i)} - \tilde{\mathbb{E}}(\beta_0 | \mathbf{y}) \tilde{\mathbb{E}}(\beta_0 | \mathbf{y})^t$$

⇒ **Necessitates $N.n$ calls to the computer model**

⇒ Estimating C and σ_m^2 becomes complex. References with Bayesian framework on C and σ_m^2 , [Higdon et al 2004](#), [Kennedy and O'Hagan 2001](#)

⇒ Here we use the estimates of C and σ_m^2 obtained from the linear approximation

Exact non-linear prediction

We have, using the Gaussian conditioning theorem

$$\mathbb{E}(\phi(x_0)|\mathbf{y}, \beta_0) = f(\mathbf{x}_0, \beta_0) + \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0)^t \mathbf{R}^{-1}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}_{\beta_0})$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}(\phi(x_0)|\mathbf{y}) &= \mathbb{E}(\mathbb{E}(\phi(x_0)|\mathbf{y}, \beta_0)|\mathbf{y}) \\ &= \frac{\int_{\beta \in \mathbb{R}^d} \mathbb{E}(\phi(x_0)|\mathbf{y}, \beta) p(\mathbf{y}|\beta) p(\beta) d\beta}{\int_{\beta \in \mathbb{R}^d} p(\mathbf{y}|\beta) p(\beta) d\beta}\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, from the Gaussian conditioning theorem

$$\mathbb{E}(\phi(x_0)^2|\mathbf{y}, \beta_0) = \mathbb{E}(\phi(x_0)|\mathbf{y}, \beta_0)^2 + \text{var}(\phi(x_0)|\mathbf{y}, \beta_0)$$

with

$$\text{var}(\phi(x_0)|\mathbf{y}, \beta_0) = C(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{x}_0) - \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0)^t \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}_0)$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}\text{var}(\phi(x_0)|\mathbf{y}) &= \mathbb{E}(\phi(x_0)^2|\mathbf{y}) - \mathbb{E}(\phi(x_0)|\mathbf{y})^2 \\ &= \mathbb{E}(\mathbb{E}(\phi(x_0)^2|\mathbf{y}, \beta_0)|\mathbf{y}) - \mathbb{E}(\phi(x_0)|\mathbf{y})^2 \\ &= \frac{\int_{\beta \in \mathbb{R}^d} \mathbb{E}(\phi(x_0)^2|\mathbf{y}, \beta) p(\mathbf{y}|\beta) p(\beta) d\beta}{\int_{\beta \in \mathbb{R}^d} p(\mathbf{y}|\beta) p(\beta) d\beta} - \mathbb{E}(\phi(x_0)|\mathbf{y})^2\end{aligned}$$

One approximate non-linear prediction

Same as for calibration :

$$\tilde{\mathbb{E}}(\phi(x_0)|\mathbf{y}) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{E}(\phi(x_0)|\mathbf{y}, \beta_i) p(\mathbf{y}|\beta_i) p(\beta_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^N p(\mathbf{y}|\beta_i) p(\beta_i)}$$

and

$$\tilde{\text{var}}(\phi(x_0)|\mathbf{y}, \beta_0) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{E}(\phi(x_0)^2|\mathbf{y}, \beta_i) p(\mathbf{y}|\beta_i) p(\beta_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^N p(\mathbf{y}|\beta_i) p(\beta_i)} - \tilde{\mathbb{E}}(\phi(x_0)|\mathbf{y})^2$$

⇒ No need for additional calls to computer model after calibration

Note that we still have

$$\mathbb{E}(y_0|\mathbf{y}) = \mathbb{E}(\phi(x_0)|\mathbf{y})$$

and

$$\text{var}(y_0|\mathbf{y}) = \text{var}(\phi(x_0)|\mathbf{y}) + \sigma_m^2$$

Comparison of linear and non-linear calibration and prediction on the FLICA IV case study

With the same FLICA IV data, we compare

- Approximate non-linear calibration and prediction with 25 grid points for integration over β
- Approximate linear calibration and prediction with the same grid (we use $f(\mathbf{x}, \beta) = f(\mathbf{x}, \beta_{nom}) + \mathbf{h}_{\beta_{nom}}(\mathbf{x})^t(\beta - \beta_{nom})$)





We obtain

- RMSE non-linear = 196.9
- RMSE linear = 197.8
- L^2 norm between linear and non-linear conditional means of $\beta_0 = .025$ (each of them has L^2 norm around 0.3)

⇒ more impact of linear approximation on calibration than on prediction

⇒ The model error Gaussian process can take into account the difference between the linearized computer model and the exact computer model

- Iterative linear approximations
- In the non-linear case, we can write the conditional distributions, but the integrals are intractable, since they involve the computer model
- One possibility is to integrate numerically
- There are other methods which we did not talk about, e.g. Gaussian process model of the computer model as well ([Higdon et al 2004](#), [Kennedy and O'Hagan 2001](#))
- We believe that the linear approximation generally has more impact on calibration than on prediction

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Thank you for your attention !