GP Write Up 10

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Checking for machine precision with naive GP

1. Experiments

We are trying to determine if the predictive mean from naive GP and the convolutional method are equal.

That is:

Naive:

$$\mathbf{f}_* = \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{K} + \sigma_n^2 I)^{-1} y \tag{1}$$

Convolutional method:

$$v = \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{f}_* \tag{4}$$

We used three different smooth surfaces each defined between $X \in [-25, 25]$, $Y \in [-25, 25]$. We ran the network for 600 iterations, with a learning rate of 10^{-1} and we find that the predictive mean for the convolutional method and the naive GP are within machine precision of 10^{-15} . The observations have noise $\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_n^2 I)$.



