EP20BTECH11015 - Assignment 4 Question 3

Application of the Kolmogorov-Smirnov test to CMB data: Is the universe really weakly random?

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In this work, 1-sample KS test was applied to WMAP's Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB) maps, and questions whether the CMB is *weakly random* as claimed by previous works also using KS test.

The data samples used in this paper are correlated so fundamentally, the KS test cannot be (immediately) applied. So A whitening transformation replacing the hypothesis $d \leftarrow N(0, C)$ with the equivalent $r = C^{-1/2} d \leftarrow N(0, 1)$, is used. This results in an i.i.d for the samples. (d are the original samples, with covariance matrix C, and r are the whitened samples (uncorrelated with unit variance).

From the WMAP 7-year W-band map, 10,000 disks are picked with a radius of 1.5 degrees. If the model claimed by the author was correct, the probability P(x < K) should follow the distribution N(0, 1) after whitening. Where K is the maximum distance between the theoretical CDF and the CDF of data. Also the sample size is not infinity so an approximation is used to apply the 1 sample KS test.

The resulting probabilities from applying the equation $P(x < K) = G(F_{KS}(\sqrt{N}_{obs}K))$. for the hypothesis $r \leftarrow N(0, 1)$ were binned into a histogram which followed a uniform distribution. This suggested that the CMB map was consistent with Λ CDM + WMAP noise by the K-S test, and the universe is not *weakly random*.

This result disproves a previous work claiming the detection of an unknown component making up 80% of the CMB, as it did not account for the CMB correlations. Without the whitening transformation used, the same data failed the KS test in the previous work which led to incorrect inferences.

Both works apply the KS test in ways which might be considered misuse by the Penn State University as the present one uses a transformation over a correlated dataset and using an approximation to accommodate finite no.of samples in 1D KS test, while the previous work arrives at a wrong conclusion with the results of the KS test.

References:

This work:https://www.aanda.org/articles/aa/pdf/2012/02/aa17344-11.pdf

The previous work which was disproved:

https://www.aanda.org/articles/aa/full_html/2011/01/aa16012-10/aa16012-10.html

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[]: import numpy as np
  import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
  import scipy.stats as st
  from scipy.optimize import curve_fit
  from scipy import optimize as opt
  from statsmodels.tools import eval_measures as em
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1.

Download the data corresponding to x, y, and y from http://www.iith.ac.in/~shantanud/testdata.dat.

Find the best-fit values after fitting the data to linear, quadratic, and cubic polynomials.

Find out which model fits the data best from frequentist model comparison as well as using AIC and BIC.

For frequentist model comparison, using the linear model as the null hypothesis, find out the p value corresponding to the preferred model. (or if the linear model is the preferred model, then compare it to the quadratic model).

Also show a plot overlaying the data with best fit solutions from linear, quadratic and cubic functions with different line styles for each of the fits.

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Linear fit parameters: [ 2.79789861 -1.11028082]

Quadratic fit parameters: [ 0.50261293  2.38475187 -1.05578915]

Cubic fit parameters: [-0.96724992  1.74451332  1.97184055 -1.02910462]
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Frequentist model comparison

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p-value for quadratic fit: 0.17813275695316733 p-value for cubic fit: 0.32887884419522884
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The p-value of the quadratic model is less than cubic model so the cubic model may be a better fit.

Maximum Likelihood Estimation

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[]: def likelihood_estimator(func, data, *args):
    return np.product(np.exp(-0.5 * (((data[:,1] - func(data[:,0], *args))/
    data[:,2]) ** 2) ))

def max_likelihood(func, data, args):
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return opt.minimize(lambda x: -likelihood_estimator(func, data, *x), args, u

→method='Nelder-Mead').x
maxlkl = [likelihood_estimator(linear,testdata, *max_likelihood(linear,__
 →testdata, linearfit param[0])),
likelihood_estimator(quadratic, testdata, *max_likelihood(quadratic, testdata, __

¬quadraticfit_param[0])),
likelihood_estimator(cubic, testdata, *max_likelihood(cubic, testdata,__
 #Calculate AIC and BIC
bic = -2 * np.log(maxlkl) + np.log(len(testdata)) * np.array([2, 3, 4])
aic = -2 * np.log(maxlkl) + 2 * np.array([2, 3, 4])
aic_c = aic + 2 * np.array([2, 3, 4]) * np.array([3, 4, 5]) / (len(testdata) -_{\sqcup})
 \rightarrownp.array([2, 3, 4]) - 1)
#Linear fit is considered as NULL hypothesis
delta_aic = aic - aic[0]
delta_bic = bic - bic[0]
print('AIC for linear fit: ', aic[0])
print('BIC for linear fit: ', bic[0])
print()
print('AIC for quadratic fit: ', aic[1])
print('BIC for quadratic fit: ', bic[1])
print()
print('AIC for cubic fit: ', aic[2])
print('BIC for cubic fit: ', bic[2])
print('\nLinear fit is considered as NULL hypothesis\n')
print('Delta AIC for quadratic fit: ', delta_aic[1])
print('Delta BIC for quadratic fit: ', delta_bic[1])
print('Delta AIC for cubic fit: ', delta_aic[2])
print('Delta BIC for cubic fit: ', delta_bic[2])
# print('delta AIC for quadratic fit ')
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AIC for linear fit: 15.309175575502223

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BIC for linear fit: 17.300640122610204

AIC for quadratic fit: 15.496041767569295
BIC for quadratic fit: 18.483238588231266

AIC for cubic fit: 17.085043873972353
BIC for cubic fit: 21.067972968188315

Linear fit is considered as NULL hypothesis

Delta AIC for quadratic fit: 0.18686619206707178
Delta BIC for quadratic fit: 1.1825984656210622

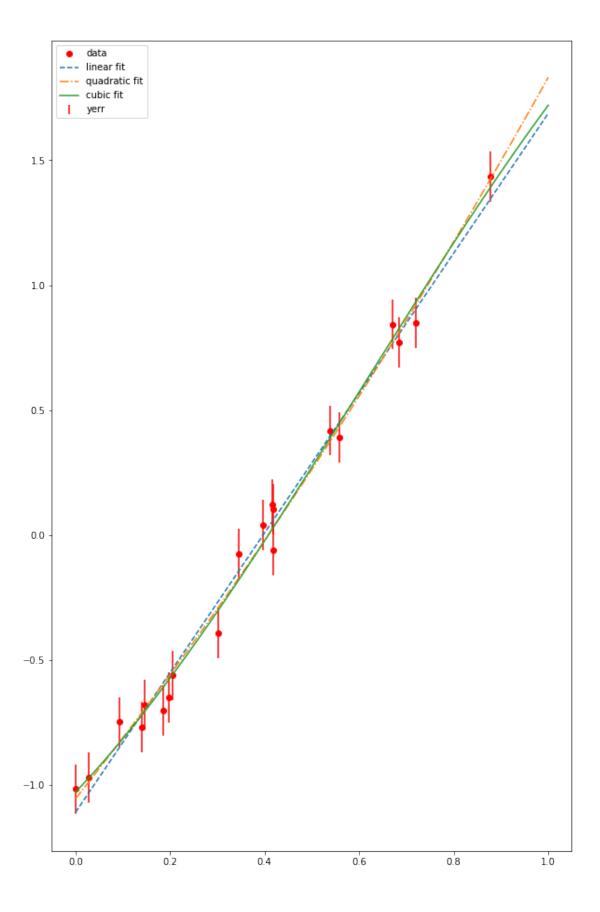
Delta AIC for cubic fit: 1.7758682984701295
Delta BIC for cubic fit: 3.7673328455781103
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Delta AIC for quadratic and cubic model are in the range 0-2 which supports both models.

Delta BIC for quadratic model is < 2 indicating no significant evidence against a quadratic fit.

Delta BIC for cubic model is >2 indicating a positive evidence against the cubic model.

So the quadratic model is preferred.



2. For the model comparison problem shown in class on JVDP's blog, calculate AIC and BIC for the linear and quadratic models.

Do these results agree with the frequentist model comparison results shown on the blog? Also mention the qualitative significance using strength of evidence rules.

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[]: data = np.array([[ 0.42, 0.72, 1e-7 , 0.3 , 0.15,
                      0.09, 0.19, 0.35, 0.4, 0.54,
                      0.42, 0.69, 0.2, 0.88, 0.03,
                      0.67, 0.42, 0.56, 0.14, 0.2 ],
                    [0.33, 0.41, -0.22, 0.01, -0.05,
                     -0.05, -0.12, 0.26, 0.29, 0.39,
                      0.31, 0.42, -0.01, 0.58, -0.2,
                      0.52, 0.15, 0.32, -0.13, -0.09],
                    [0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1,
                      0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1,
                      0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1,
                      0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1]])
    x, y, sigma_y = data
    linearfit_param = curve_fit(linear, xdata = x, ydata = y, sigma=sigma_y)
    quadraticfit_param = curve_fit(quadratic, xdata = x, ydata = y, sigma=sigma_y)
    maxlkl = [likelihood_estimator(linear, data.transpose(),__

wmax_likelihood(linear, data.transpose(), linearfit_param[0])),

    likelihood_estimator(quadratic, data.transpose(), *max_likelihood(quadratic,__

¬data.transpose(), quadraticfit_param[0]))]
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print('AIC for quadratic fit: ', aic[1])
print('BIC for quadratic fit: ', bic[1])
print()
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AIC for linear fit: 15.324128704090546
BIC for linear fit: 17.31559325119853

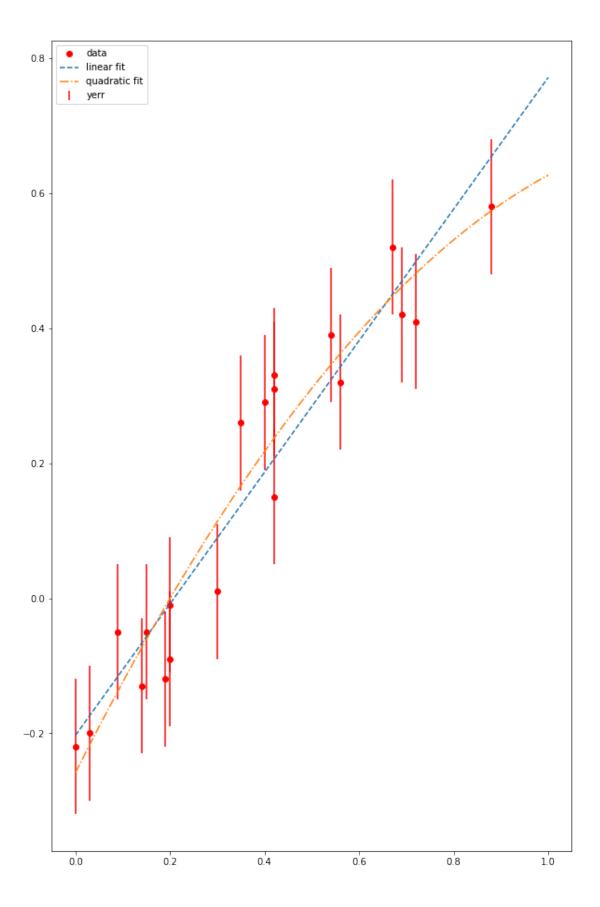
AIC for quadratic fit: 15.46283414153923
BIC for quadratic fit: 18.450030962201204
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THe Linear Model is chosen as the NULL hypothesis.

There is not much difference in the AIC values while the BIC of linear model is slightly less than quadratic model.

There is only a slight evidence against the quadratic model.

This is in agreement with the results shown on the JVDP blog.



- 4. Calculate the significance in terms of no of sigmas of the Higgs boson discovery claim from the p value given in the abstract of the ATLAS discovery paper, arXiv:1207.7214.
- Do the same for the LIGO discovery of GW150914, for which the p value = 2×10^{-7}
- . (Hint : look up norm.isf)
- From the Super-K discovery paper for neutrino oscillations (hep- ex/9807003), calculate the 2 GOF using the best-fit oscillation solution. (Hint: check page 4 of the paper, second column, last paragraph) [10 pts]

Significance of Higgs Boson discovery claim with p value of 1.7e-9 is: 5.911017938341624

Significance of LIGO discovery of GW150914 with p value of 2e-7 is := 5.068957749717791

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[]: print(f'chi2 GOF of Super-K discovery of neutrino oscillations = {st.chi2(67). sf(65.2)}')
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chi2 GOF of Super-K discovery of neutrino oscillations = 0.5394901931099036