

# Calibration of computer models

## Extension to Stochastic Simulator

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# Stochasticity in Computer Experiments

Basic model for a stochastic simulator:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = m(\mathbf{x}) + v, \quad v \sim N(0, \sigma_v^2(\mathbf{x})), \quad (1)$$

where

- $m(\mathbf{x})$  is the expected value:  $\mathbb{E}_f[f(\mathbf{x})]$ ,
- $v$  independent variability representing randomness of the simulator,
- variance  $\sigma_v^2$  may depend on  $\mathbf{x}$ , be constant.

## Remarks

- If  $\sigma_v^2 = 0$  deterministic simulator,
- What does stochasticity acknowledge for? numerical approximation (Monte Carlo), aleatory experiment.

## Extension of KOH

$$y_i^e = y^e(\mathbf{x}_i^e) = f(\mathbf{x}_i^e, \theta) + \delta(\mathbf{x}_i^e) + \epsilon_i, \quad (2)$$

where

- $\mathbf{y}^e = \{y_1^e, \dots, y_{n_e}^e\}$  are real-world field observations at controllable (or measurable) inputs  $(\mathbf{x}_i)_{1 \leq \dots \leq n_e}$ ,
- $f$  is a stochastic simulator,
- $\epsilon$  is measurement error for the observations,
- $\delta$  is the discrepancy may be assumed to be stochastic.

**Remarks:** If reality is stochastic,  $\delta$  has to be stochastic and may be heteroskedastic as the simulator.

$y_S$  is the simulator with additional unknown, non-measurable, inputs  $u_C$ ,  $y_F(x)$  (with variance  $\sigma_\epsilon^2$ ), and  $\delta_{MD}(x)$  is an important term that accounts for the simulator not being a perfect representation of reality.  $y_F$  “observes” reality with error  $\epsilon$ ; reality =  $y_S + \delta_{MD}$ .

[Sung et al., 2019] use a hetGP for the discrepancy (but with a deterministic simulator), estimating parameters via maximum likelihood and following [Tuo et al., 2015] to avoid confounding.

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# Stochastic Kriging

[Ankenman et al., 2010]

Observation model:

$$y_i = f(\mathbf{x}_i) = m(\mathbf{x}_i) + v_i, \quad \text{with} \quad v_i \stackrel{\text{ind}}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(0, r(\mathbf{x}_i)).$$

In homoskedastic cases  $r(\mathbf{x}_i) = \tau^2$  which is called the nugget.

From a design with replications:

- ‘full- $N$ ’ dataset,  $n$  of unique  $x_i$ -values in  $X_N$  with  $n \ll N$ ,  $a_i$  replicates at unique locations,
- compute

$$\bar{y}_i = \frac{1}{a_i} \sum_{j=1}^{a_i} y_i^{(j)} \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{\sigma}_i^2 = \frac{1}{a_i - 1} \sum_{j=1}^{a_i} (y_i^{(j)} - \bar{y}_i)^2.$$

predictions with BLUP for  $M$  when GP is assumed on  $M$ :

$$\mu_n^{\text{SK}}(\mathbf{x}) = k_n^\top(\mathbf{x})(C_n + S_n)^{-1} \bar{Y}_n$$

$$\sigma_n^{\text{SK}}(\mathbf{x})^2 = c_{S,\psi}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}) - k_n^\top(\mathbf{x})(C_n + S_n)^{-1} k_n(\mathbf{x}),$$

$$k_n(\mathbf{x}) = (c_{S,\psi}(\mathbf{x}, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_1), \dots, c_{S,\psi}(\mathbf{x}, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_n))^\top \quad S_n = [\hat{\sigma}_{1:n}^2] A_n^{-1} = \text{Diag}(\hat{\sigma}_1^2/a_1, \dots, \hat{\sigma}_n^2/a_n), \text{ and} \\ C_n = \{c_{S,\psi}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_j)\}_{1 \leq i, j \leq n}.$$

# Modeling the variance

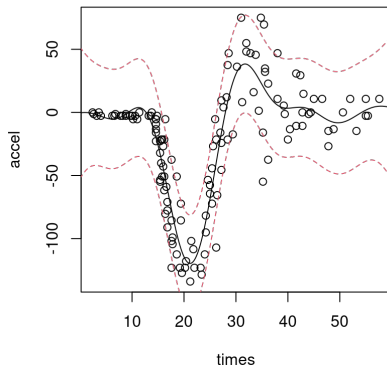
- In [Ankenman et al., 2010], no specific model for the variance,
- [Goldberg et al., 1997] assumes  $\log(r(\mathbf{x})) \sim GP$  for modeling heteroskedasticity, and they estimate the combined parameters of the two GPs with an MCMC scheme.

[Binois et al., 2018] make use of Stochastic Kriging with GP model for  $\log(r(\mathbf{x}))$ .

- consider latent variances:  $\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n$  for the  $n$  unique locations,
- GP prior on this matrix  $\Xi_n \sim \mathcal{N}_n(0, \nu(C_\xi + g_\xi A_n^{-1}))$  where  $g_\xi$  regularizes the behavior of the variance process,
- Estimate parameters by MLE using Woodbury trick which put all the computation in  $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$ ,
- implementation in `hetGP` package.



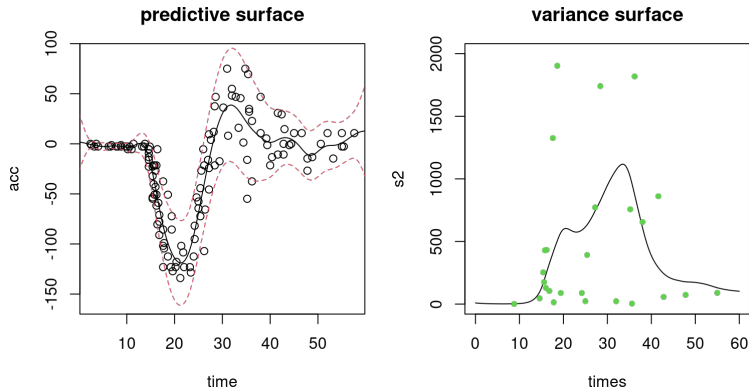
# homoskedastic GP



**Figure:** Homoskedastic GP fit to the motorcycle data via mean (solid-black) and 90% error-bars (dashed-red).

from [Gramacy, 2020]

## heteroskedastic GP



**Figure:** Heteroskedastic GP fit to the motorcycle data. Left panel shows the predictive distribution via mean (solid-black) and 90% error-bars (dashed-red). Right panel shows the estimated variance surface and moment-based estimates of variance (green dots).

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# Calibration of Stochastic Simulators

$$y_i^o = f(\mathbf{x}_i, \boldsymbol{\theta}^*) + \delta(\mathbf{x}_i) + \epsilon(\mathbf{x}_i). \quad (3)$$

$\delta(\cdot)$  models the difference between the simulator and the physical system:

$$\delta(\mathbf{x}) = \zeta(\mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{x}, \theta^*).$$

Here  $f$  is Stochastic but its link with reality is questionable. Is reality  $\mathbb{E}(f)$  or  $f$ ?  
Depending on that,  $\delta$  should be considered as deterministic or Stochastic and then modeled as a standard GP...

# Ocean Example

see <https://github.com/Demiperimetre/Ocean>

# History Matching

[[Andrianakis et al., 2015](#)] contains a thorough description of HM whilst applying it to a complex epidemiology model of HIV.

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# Basics

Approximate Bayesian Computation produces samples from a posterior distribution  $\pi(\theta|\mathbf{y}^e)$  by

- generating samples for  $\theta$  from the prior
- and outputs  $\mathbf{y}$  from the generating model  $\pi(\cdot|\mathbf{y})$  (this implies runs of the simulator),
- samples are kept provided that  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y}^e$  or  $|h(\mathbf{y}) - h(\mathbf{y}^e)| < tol$ ,
- accepted  $\theta$ s produce an approximated posterior sample.

## Remark:

- For calibration,  $tol$  can be interpreted as a bound on the observational error and model discrepancy, leading to a “correct” posterior rather than an approximation [Wilkinson, 2013]. This is then similar to HM with the subjective choice of bounds.
- ABC can be done without the use of a surrogate, but this will require many runs of the simulator itself. Otherwise, very few accepted  $\theta$  will be obtained, or an overly high value of  $tol$  will be required.

# Fish example

see [https://github.com/jhuang672/fish/blob/master/fish\\_fits.md](https://github.com/jhuang672/fish/blob/master/fish_fits.md)

## Other papers

[Oakley and Youngman, 2017] removes  $\delta$  but compensates by inflating the variability in the simulator output.



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