



# Gaussian Processes and Bayesian Optimization

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✓ **Congratulations! You passed!**

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1.

Select properties of nonparametric methods.



Prediction model is highly constrained to the specified form.



**Un-selected is correct**



Usually learning process is just remembering the dataset.



**Correct**

Usually non-parametric methods need to remember whole dataset for prediction, while parametric methods need to remember only a fixed set of fitted parameters.



Very fast prediction.



**Un-selected is correct**



Have a lot of parameters depending of dataset size.



**Correct**

Non-parametric methods do not assume that there is fixed set of parameters to tune on the training dataset.



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2.

Select stationary Gaussian Processes.



$m(x) = x$  and  $K(x, x') = \min(x, x')$ .



**Un-selected is correct**



$m(x) = \text{const}$  and  $K(x, x') = I[x = x']$ .



**Correct**

Mean vector and covariance matrix are the same for every set of points ( $x_1, \dots, x_n$ ).



$$m(x) = 0 \text{ and } K(x, x') = 1/(1 + (x - x')^2).$$

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Correct

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$$m(x) = \text{const}, K(x, x') = \tilde{K}(x - x').$$



$$m(x) = \text{const}$$



Un-selected is correct



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3.

Choose the time complexity of prediction with Gaussian Process (d — dimension of features, n — number of training objects).



$$O(nd^2).$$



$$O(n^2d).$$



$$O(n^3 + dn^2).$$



Correct

$O(dn^2)$  for computing the matrix  $C$  and  $O(n^3)$  for inverting.



$$O(n^3).$$



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4.

Consider the regression problem,  $\{x_i, y_i\}_{i=1}^n$  — the training set. Assume that  $y_i = f(x_i)$  — realization of stationary Gaussian Process ( $m(x)$  — mean function and  $m(x) = 0$ ,  $K(x, x') = \tilde{K}(x - x')$  - continuous covariance function with the property  $\tilde{K}(t) \rightarrow 0$  if  $t \rightarrow \infty$ ),  $x$  — new object. Select all correct statements about  $p(f(x)|f(x_1), f(x_2), \dots, f(x_n))$ .



If the object is far from the training sample then the variance of  $p(f(x)|f(x_1), \dots, f(x_n))$  is close to  $K(0)$ .



Correct

the formula  $\sigma^2 = K(0) - k^T C^{-1} k$  implies this result. If you put  $x$  away from all the objects in the training set you get  $k \rightarrow 0$ .



Expected value of  $p(f(x)|f(x_1), \dots, f(x_n))$  is close to 0, if  $x$  is close to training sample.



Un-selected is correct



$p(f(x)|f(x_1), f(x_2), \dots, f(x_n))$  is normal distribution.



Correct

All the computations that lead to that result are described in the lecture 3.



Variance of  $p(f(x)|f(x_1), \dots, f(x_n))$  is close to 0, if  $x$  is close to training sample.



Correct

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Continuity of the covariance function implies this result.  
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☐ Expected value of  $p(f(x)|f(x_1), \dots, f(x_n))$  doesn't depend on  $c_{i,j} = K(x_i, x_j)$ .

Un-selected is correct



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5.  
Consider the following kernel:  $\tilde{K}(x_i - x_j) = \sigma^2 \exp\left(-\frac{(x_i - x_j)^2}{2l^2}\right) + s^2 \mathbb{I}[x_i = x_j]$ . Which statements about this kernel are true?

☐ Parameters of the model  $s$ ,  $l$  and  $\sigma$  can be optimized with gradient descent.

Correct

☐ If the object is far from the training sample then the variance of  $p(f(x)|f(x_1), \dots, f(x_n))$  is close to  $K(0)$ .

Correct

Because  $\tilde{K}(t) \rightarrow 0$  if  $t \rightarrow \infty$

☐  $\text{Var}(f(x)|f(x_1), \dots, f(x_n)) = 0$ , if  $x = x_i$ .

Un-selected is correct

☐ Higher values of  $s^2$  give you the model that is more robust to the noise in the data.

Correct

This term assumes that there is an unpredictable noise in the data.



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6.  
Which of the following statements about hyperparameters tuning with Gaussian Processes (GP) and Random Search (RS) are true?

☐ RS can be faster than GP because RS is easier to parallelize.

Correct

You don't need to synchronize the parameters in RS.

☐ You should use GP if you have a lot of computational servers and every evaluation of the function is cheap/free.

Un-selected is correct

☐ GP can be faster than RS because it suggests where to search for the next point using current information and uncertainty estimates.



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Correct

GP can give you better results twice as fast as RS (in number of function calls), especially if the number of hyperparameters to optimize is relatively small.



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7.

Bayesian optimization with Gaussian Process uses the following information about the optimized function  $f(x)$ .

- ☐ Only gradients of the function  $\nabla f(x)$ .
- ☐ Values of  $f(x)$ , gradients  $\nabla f(x)$  and the Hessian  $\nabla^2 f(x)$ .
- ☐ Values of  $f(x)$  and gradients  $\nabla f(x)$ .
- ☒ Only values of  $f(x)$ .



Correct



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8.

Which of the following problems you would use Bayesian Optimization for?

- ☒ Find the best geographic coordinates for oil producing station



Correct

Cost of each probe is really high

- ☐ Find optimal weights in the Logistic Regression model.



Un-selected is correct

- ☒ Find a molecule that possesses certain properties (drug discovery)



Correct

An application of Bayesian optimization to this problem was discussed in the last lecture.

- ☒ Optimize the configuration of the neural network: number of neurons in each layer, parameters the optimization algorithm.



Correct

Bayesian optimization is a possible solution here.



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