

AReS and MaRS - Adversarial and MMD-Minimizing Regression for SDEs

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Stochastic Differential Equations in the Wild



(a) **Robotics** (source: Athena robot,
MPI-IS)



(b) **Atmospheric Modeling** (source:
wikipedia)



(c) **Stock Markets** (source: Yahoo
Finance)

Gradient Matching

ODE

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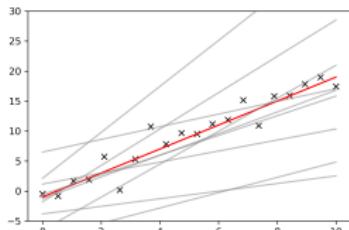
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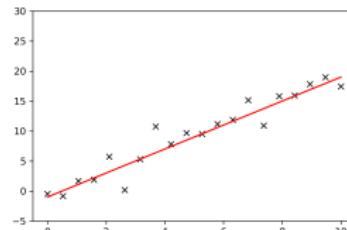
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Integration-based methods



parameters → trajectory

Integration-free methods

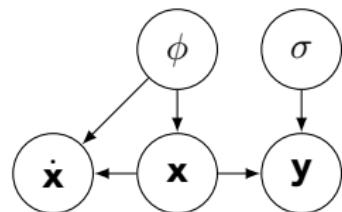


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Classic Gradient Matching - Model

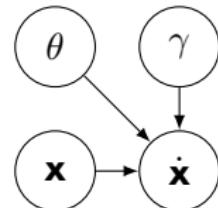
(1) Gaussian Process prior on states

$$p(\mathbf{x} | \phi) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x} | \mu_y, \mathbf{C}_\phi)$$
$$p(\dot{\mathbf{x}} | \mathbf{x}, \phi) = \mathcal{N}(\dot{\mathbf{x}} | \mathbf{Dx}, \mathbf{A})$$



(2) ODE Model

$$p(\dot{\mathbf{x}} | \mathbf{x}, \theta, \gamma) = \mathcal{N}(\dot{\mathbf{x}} | \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, \theta), \gamma \mathbf{I})$$



Classic Gradient Matching - Inference

- Calderhead, Girolami, and Lawrence (2009) and Dondelinger et al. (2013)

Product of Experts: $p(\dot{\mathbf{x}}) \propto p_{\text{data}}(\dot{\mathbf{x}})p_{\text{ODE}}(\dot{\mathbf{x}})$

- Wenk et al. (2018), FGPGM

Forced equality:

$$p(\dot{\mathbf{x}}) \propto p_{\text{data}}(\dot{\mathbf{x}}_{\text{data}})p_{\text{ODE}}(\dot{\mathbf{x}}_{\text{ODE}})\delta(\dot{\mathbf{x}}_{\text{data}} - \dot{\mathbf{x}})\delta(\dot{\mathbf{x}}_{\text{ODE}} - \dot{\mathbf{x}})$$

- Wenk*, Abbati* et al. (2019), ODIN

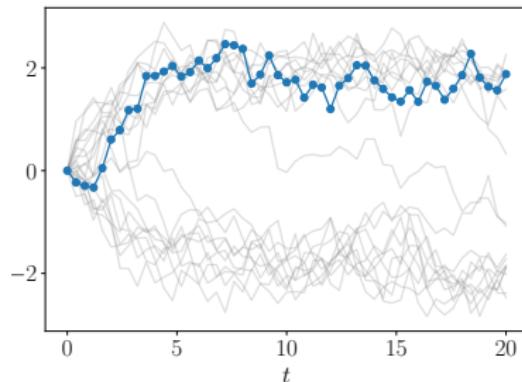
ODEs as constraints

Stochastic Differential Equations

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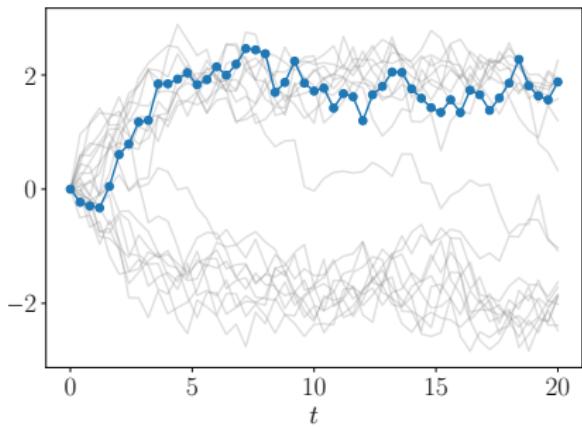
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Stochastic Gradient Matching?

Problems:

- Both **observation** and **process** noise
- **Stochastic** sample paths
- Paths are **not differentiable**



The Doss-Sussmann Transformation

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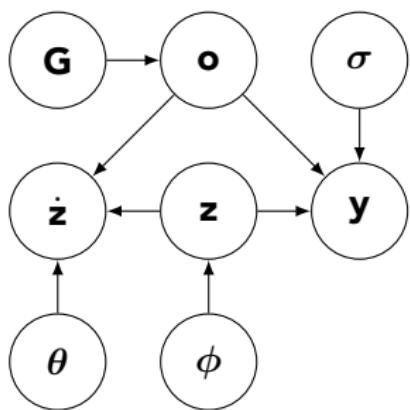
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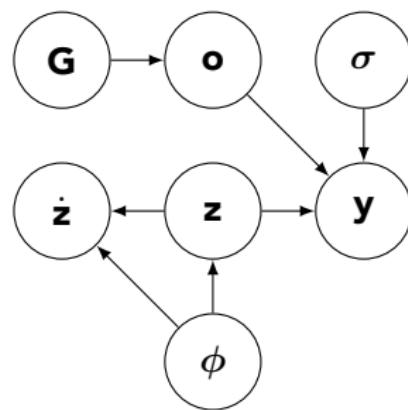
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A Tale of Two Graphical Models

SDE-based model



Data-based model



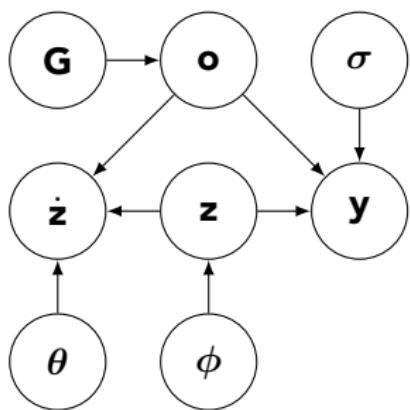
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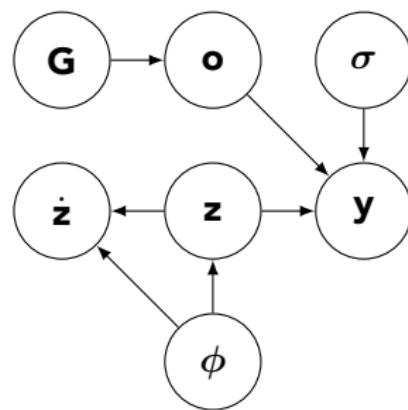
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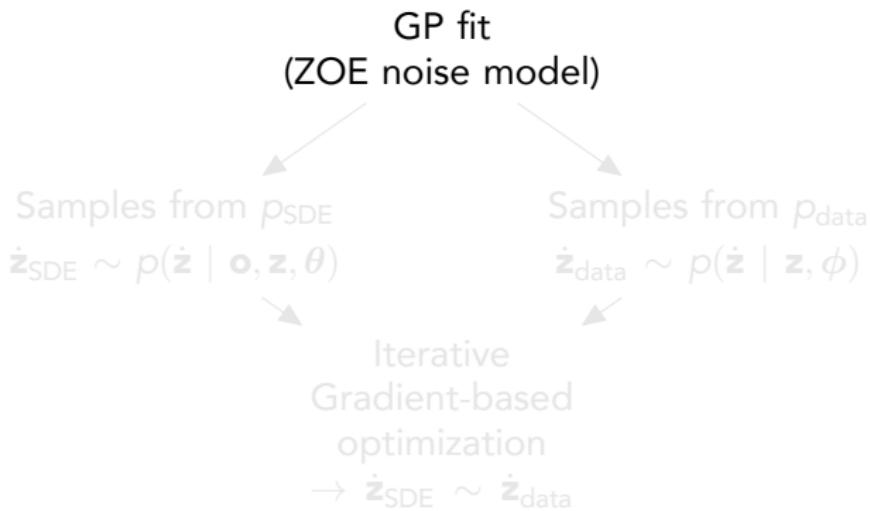


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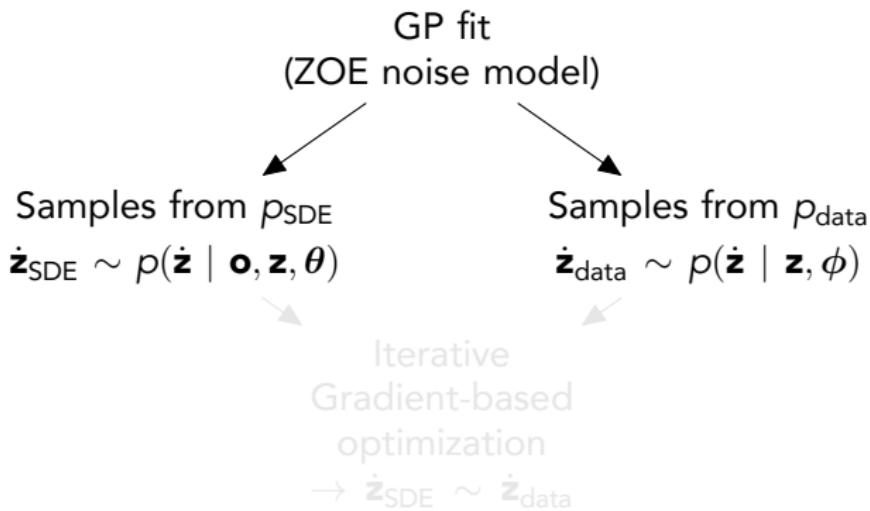
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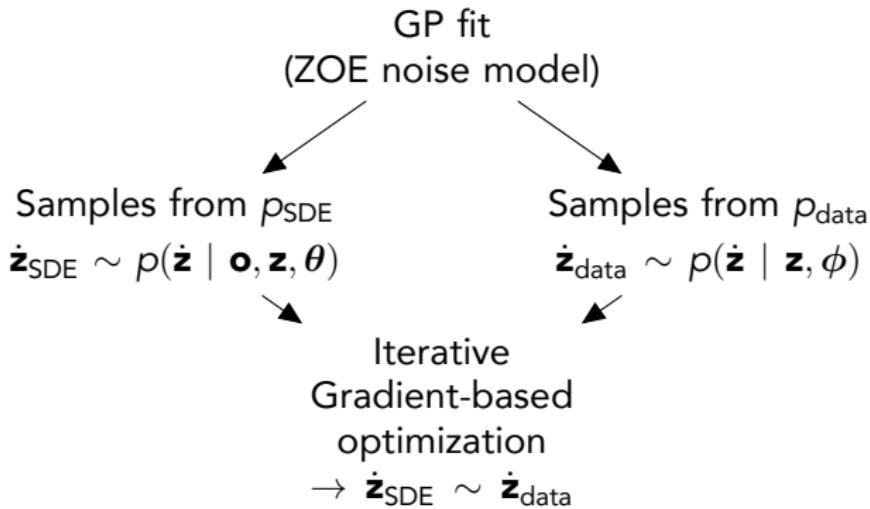
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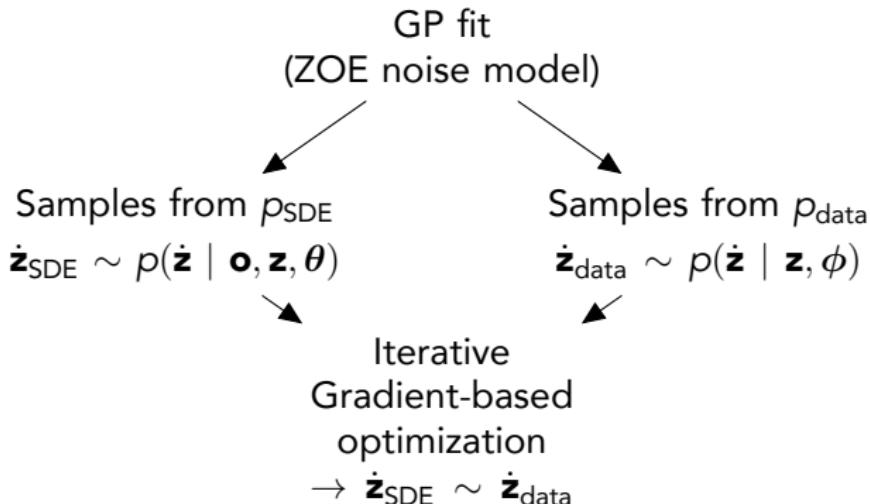
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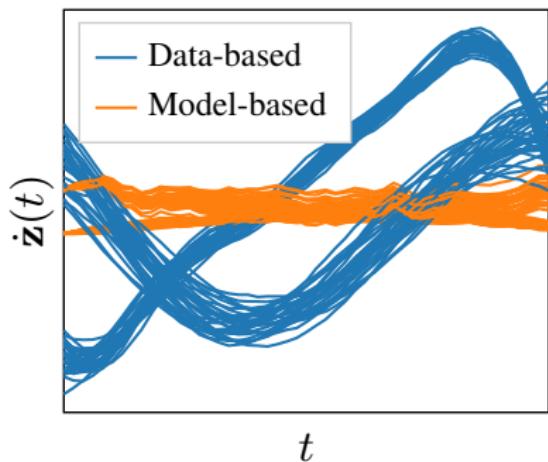
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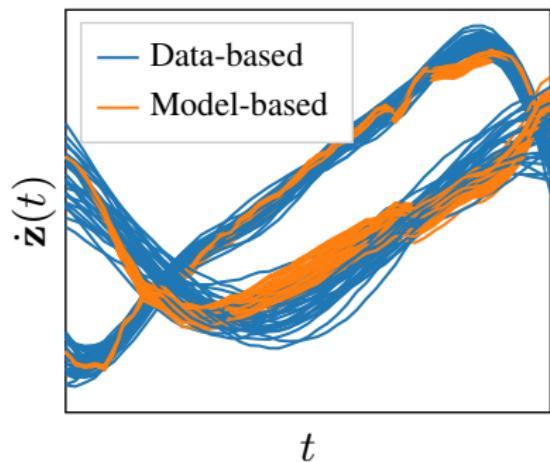
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Samples during Training



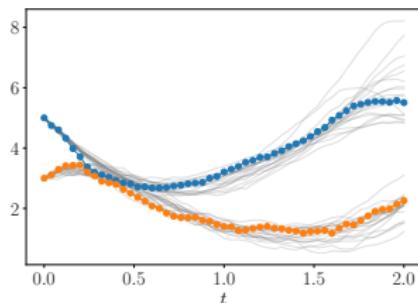
(a) Samples before training



(b) Samples after training

Experimental Results - Lotka Volterra

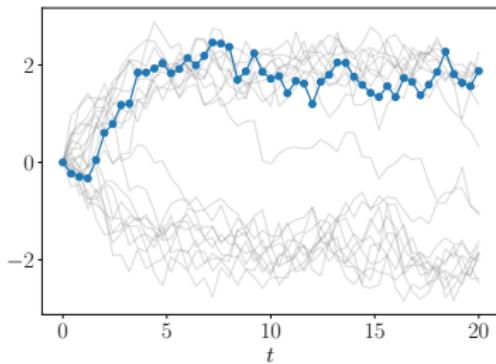
LV, GT	NPSDE	ESGF	AReS	MaRS
$\theta_0 = 2$	1.58 ± 0.71	2.04 ± 0.09	2.36 ± 0.18	2.00 ± 0.09
$\theta_1 = 1$	0.74 ± 0.31	1.02 ± 0.05	1.18 ± 0.9	1.00 ± 0.04
$\theta_2 = 4$	2.26 ± 1.51	3.87 ± 0.59	3.97 ± 0.63	3.70 ± 0.51
$\theta_3 = 1$	0.49 ± 0.35	0.96 ± 0.14	0.98 ± 0.18	0.91 ± 0.14
$\mathbf{H}_{1,1} = 0.05$	/	0.01 ± 0.03		0.03 ± 0.004
$\mathbf{H}_{1,2} = 0.03$	/	0.01 ± 0.01		0.02 ± 0.01
$\mathbf{H}_{2,1} = 0.03$	/	0.01 ± 0.01		0.02 ± 0.01
$\mathbf{H}_{2,2} = 0.09$	/	0.03 ± 0.02		0.09 ± 0.03



$$\begin{aligned} dx_1(t) &= [\theta_1 x_1(t) - \theta_2 x_1(t)x_2(t)]dt \\ &\quad + G_{11}dw_1(t) \\ dx_2(t) &= [-\theta_3 x_2(t) + \theta_4 x_1(t)x_2(t)]dt \\ &\quad + G_{21}dw_1(t) + G_{22}dw_2(t) \end{aligned}$$

Experimental Results - Double Well Potential

DW, GT	NPSDE	VGPA	ESGF	AReS	MaRS
$\theta_0 = 0.1$	0.09 ± 7.00	0.05 ± 0.04	0.01 ± 0.03	0.09 ± 0.04	0.10 ± 0.05
$\theta_1 = 4$	3.36 ± 248.82	1.11 ± 0.66	0.11 ± 0.16	3.68 ± 1.34	3.85 ± 1.10
$H = 0.25$	0.00 ± 0.02	/	0.20 ± 0.05		0.21 ± 0.09



$$dx(t) = \theta_0 x(\theta_1 - x^2)dt + Gdw(t)$$

Contributions

- We extend classical gradient matching to SDEs
- We introduce a novel statistical framework combining the Doss-Sussmann transformation and GPs
- We introduce a novel parameter inference scheme that leverages adversarial and moment matching loss functions
- We improve parameter inference accuracy in systems of SDEs



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Thank you

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Bonus Round: check out our paper on classic gradient matching!
Wenk*, P., Abbati*, G., Bauer, S., Osborne, M. A., Krause, A.,
Schölkopf, B. (2019). **ODIN: ODE-Informed Regression for
Parameter and State Inference in Time-Continuous Dynamical
Systems.** ArXiv Preprint ArXiv:1902.06278.