## Meeting Update

Gaussian Process Covariance Function Selection Using Minimum Energy Designs

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### Outline

Last Time

Evaluate the Design

Large k in Joseph et. al. 2015

Asymptotic properties of SMED for Linear Model Selection

Distinguishing Gaussian Processes

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## Last Time

## Last Meeting Recap

### What happened last time

- Review of Joseph et. al. 2015: One-at-a-Time Algorithm for SMED
- One-at-a-Time SMED Algorithm for (Bayesian) Linear Model Selection
- 3. Review of Joseph et. al. 2018: Fast Algorithm for SMED
- 4. Fast SMED Algorithm for (Bayesian) Linear Model Selection

### Corrections to the algorithm

- 1. Using max instead of sum in the criterion
- 2. Candidate sets for each design k = 1, ..., K

## A Fast Algorithm for Linear Model Selection

Generate N-point MED  $\mathbf{D}_N$  to distinguish linear models  $H_0 \& H_1$ :

- 1. Sample  $\beta_i$  from each prior:  $\beta_i \sim N(\tilde{\beta}_i, \sigma_{\beta_i}^2), i = 0, 1$
- 2. Obtain N candidate points,  $\mathbf{D}_1$ , in [0,1] using a space-filling design. These points will be  $\tilde{\mathbf{D}}_1$ , which are used to obtain the candidate set,  $\mathbf{C}_2^j$ , for the next design, k=2.
- 3. For k=1,...,K-1, get next design  $\mathbf{D}_{k+1}$ : for j=1,...,N, Determine  $L_{jk}$  and use it to obtain N candidate points,  $\tilde{\mathbf{D}}_k^j$  to get candidate set  $\mathbf{C}_{k+1}^j$  for selection of design point  $\mathbf{x}_j^{k+1}$ , in the next design,  $\mathbf{D}_{k+1}$  (details in next slide). Find the design point  $\mathbf{x}_j^{k+1}$  that minimizes

$$\max_{i \neq j} \frac{1}{f^{\gamma_k}(\mathbf{x}_i) f^{\gamma_k}(\mathbf{x}_j) d(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)} \tag{1}$$

where  $\gamma_k = k/(K-1)$ ,  $d(\cdot, \cdot)$  is Euclidean distance,  $f(\mathbf{x}) = \{\text{Wasserstein}(\phi_{0,\mathbf{x}}, \phi_{1,\mathbf{x}})\}^{(1/2p)}$ , and where

$$\begin{split} \phi_{0,\mathbf{x}} &= \textit{N}(\tilde{\beta}_0\mathbf{x}, \sigma_{\epsilon_0}^2 + \mathbf{x}^2\sigma_{\beta_0}^2), \\ \phi_{1,\mathbf{x}} &= \textit{N}(\tilde{\beta}_1\mathbf{x}, \sigma_{\epsilon_1}^2 + \mathbf{x}^2\sigma_{\beta_1}^2) \end{split}$$

## A Fast Algorithm, continued...

## Updating $\mathbf{x}_{j}^{k+1}$ , *j*th design point of design $\mathbf{D}_{k}$ :

3. To find design point  $\mathbf{x}_{j}^{k+1}$ , use a method similar to Greedy Algorithm (max, not sum):

$$\mathbf{x}_{j}^{k+1} = \underset{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{C}_{k+1}^{j}}{\min} \max_{i=1:(j-1)} \frac{1}{f^{\gamma_{k}}(\mathbf{x}_{i})f^{\gamma_{k}}(\mathbf{x})d(\mathbf{x}_{i},\mathbf{x})}$$
(2)

### Section 3: What is the Candidate Set, then?

For now (not including linear combinations of adjacent points):

- 1. For each j=1,...,N, the space-filling design over  $L_{jk}$  gives the n candidate points  $\tilde{\mathbf{D}}_{k+1}^{j}$ . We obtain the corresponding  $\mathbf{x}_{j}^{k+1}$  by optimizing over the set  $\mathbf{C}_{k+1}^{j}=\mathbf{C}_{k}^{j}\cup\tilde{\mathbf{D}}_{k+1}^{j}$ . Hence, for each of the n design points in design  $\mathbf{D}_{k}$ , n candidate points are created from the space-filling design and combined with  $\mathbf{C}_{1}^{j}$  for a total of 2n candidate points for  $\mathbf{x}_{j}^{k}$  to be picked from.
- 2. For k=1,  $\mathbf{C}_1^j=\mathbf{D}_1$ , where  $\mathbf{D}_1$  is from a space-filling design over the support  $[0,1]^p$ .
- 3. Then for k=1,...,K-1, to get next design  $\mathbf{D}_{k+1}$ , the first design point is  $\mathbf{x}_1^{k+1} = \arg\max_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{C}_{k+1}^1} \log f(\mathbf{x})$ , and for the next

$$j = 2, ..., n$$
 design points,

$$\mathbf{x}_{j}^{k+1} = \underset{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{C}_{k+1}^{j}}{\operatorname{arg max}} \min_{i=1:(j-1)} \gamma_{k} \log f(\mathbf{x}) + \gamma_{k} \log f(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{k+1})$$

$$+ 2p \log d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_{i}^{k+1})$$
(3)

### Section 3: What is the Candidate Set, then? continued...

Just to further illustrate this point (because I <u>will</u> be confused again):

- ▶ For k = 1,  $C_1 = \text{Lattice}([0, 1]^p, N)$  and the resulting design is  $D_1$ .
- For k = 2 and j = 1, ..., N,  $\mathbf{C}_2^j = \mathbf{C}_1 \cup \mathsf{Lattice}(L_{j2}, N)$ =  $\mathsf{Lattice}([0, 1]^p, N) \cup \mathsf{Lattice}(L_{j2}, N)$
- For k = 3 and j = 1, ..., N,  $\mathbf{C}_3^j = \mathbf{C}_2^j \cup \mathsf{Lattice}(L_{j3}, N)$ =  $\mathsf{Lattice}([0, 1]^p, N) \cup \mathsf{Lattice}(L_{j2}, N) \cup \mathsf{Lattice}(L_{j3}, N)$ =  $\mathsf{Lattice}([0, 1]^p, N) \cup_{m=1}^3 \mathsf{Lattice}(L_{jm}, N)$
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- ► Hence, for k = 2, ..., K and j = 1, ..., N,  $\mathbf{C}_k^j = \text{Lattice}([0, 1]^p, N) \cup_{m=1}^k \text{Lattice}(L_{jm}, N)$

### Results

### The 2 Models

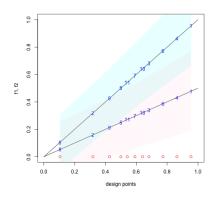
• 
$$f_0(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}\beta_0$$
 with  $\tilde{\beta}_0 = 1$ 

• 
$$f_1(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}\beta_1$$
 with  $\tilde{\beta}_1 = 1/2$ 

$$\sigma_{\epsilon_0} = \sigma_{\epsilon_1} = 0.1, \sigma_{\mu} = 0.05$$

• 
$$K = \lceil 4\sqrt{(p)} \rceil = 4$$
 sequential designs

- $\triangleright$  N = 11, selected arbitrarily
- number of candidate points is largest prime number less than 100 + 5p = 103



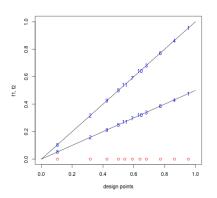
### Questions

- ▶ Is N supposed to be equal to the number of candidate points?
- ▶ Interpreting errors on marginal  $y|H_i$ ?

### Compare Results

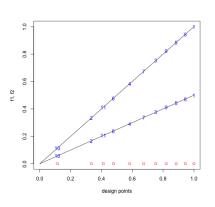
Compare this to the one-at-a-time algorithm (as in Joseph et. al. 2015) with 11 sequentially picked design points, 1000 candidate points, and a power of k=4:

### Fast Algorithm



Points are more concentrated at middle of support.

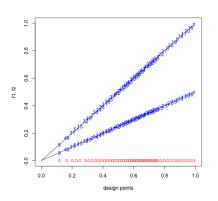
# One-at-a-Time Greedy Algorithm



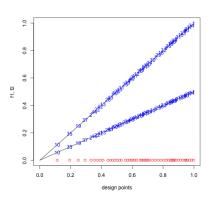
### Compare Results, continued

What about for higher N(=51)? Not quite the same...

### Fast Algorithm



# One-at-a-Time Greedy Algorithm



## Questions/Goals from Last Time

- 1. Solve problem of too-near points (candidate set)
- 2. Show the spread at each design point.
- 3. Evaluate the design.
- 4. For the one-at-a-time algorithm (Joseph 2015), does large k recover the asymptotic result in the 2018 paper?
- Asymptotic properties of SMED for (Bayesian) Linear Model Selection
- 6. Distinguishing models with Gaussian Process Kernels
  - ▶ 2 Different Kernels: Matern vs. Squared Exponential
  - Same Kernel, different Parameters: Matern, scaled differently

## Evaluate the Design

## Ideas for Evaluating the Design

Expected Posterior Probability of a model

$$E_Y[P(H_{\ell}|X,Y)], \ell \in \{1,2\}$$

- "Optimal Discrimination Designs" (Dette & Titoff 2009)
  - Their goal: Design for model discrimination (not parameter estimation)
  - Our goal: Get parameter estimates and error, in addition to being able to adequately discriminate between the two models. So, both!
  - Come up with a criterion for measuring "goodness" of design for parameter estimates <u>and</u> ability to discriminate between models
  - Compare criterions
  - Compare designs

## Expected Posterior Probability of Model

- Posterior probability of a model given by  $H_{\ell}$ ,  $\ell=1,...,M$  to see which model is more likely to be the correct one.
- Posterior Probability is

$$P(H_{\ell}|Y) = \frac{\pi_{\ell}P(Y|H_{\ell})}{\sum_{m=1}^{M} \pi_{m}P(Y|H_{m})}$$
(4)

where  $\pi_m$  is the prior on the model given by  $H_m$ , and  $P(Y|H_m)$  is the model evidence.

► Consider the linear model.

$$y = f(\mathbf{x}) + \epsilon$$
$$f(x) = \mathbf{x}\beta$$

where  $\epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma_{\epsilon}^2)$  and  $\beta \sim N(\tilde{\beta}, \sigma_{\beta}^2)$ .

- ▶ For model  $H_{\ell}$  with  $\epsilon_{\ell} \sim N(0, \sigma_{\epsilon_{\ell}}^2)$  and  $\beta_{\ell} \sim N(\tilde{\beta}_{\ell}, \sigma_{\beta_{\ell}}^2)$ , we have  $y|H_{\ell} \sim N(\tilde{\beta}_{\ell}\mathbf{x}, \sigma_{\epsilon_{\ell}}^2 + \mathbf{x}^2\sigma_{\beta_{\ell}}^2)$  where the mean and variance are computed by iterated expectation and variance.
- Since we don't have Y to calculate the model evidence, instead calculate the expected model evidence  $E_Y[P(Y|H_m)]$

## Estimate Expected Posterior Probability of Model

- 1. Obtain design  $\mathbf{D} = \{x_1, ..., x_N\}$  from the Fast Algorithm for Linear Model Selection.
- 2. Draw  $y_i^{(j)} \sim N(\tilde{\beta}_\ell \mathbf{x}, \sigma_{\epsilon_\ell}^2 + \mathbf{x}^2 \sigma_{\beta_\ell}^2), \forall \mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbf{D}, j = 1, ..., J$  to obtain J simulations of  $Y = \{y_1, ..., y_N\}$  for model  $H_\ell$ , which gives the linear model:

$$y = f(\mathbf{x}) + \epsilon$$
$$f(x) = \mathbf{x}\beta_{\ell}$$

where  $\epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma_{\epsilon_{\ell}}^2)$  and  $\beta_{\ell} \sim N(\tilde{\beta}_{\ell}, \sigma_{\beta_{\ell}}^2)$ .

- 3. Estimate  $E_y[P(Y|H_m)] \approx \frac{1}{J} \sum_{j=1}^J P(Y|H_m), \forall m \in \{1,...,M\}$ , where  $P(Y|H_m)$  is the pdf of the distribution  $N(\tilde{\beta_m}\mathbf{x},\sigma_{\epsilon_m}^2 + \mathbf{x}^2\sigma_{\beta_m}^2)$ .
- 4. Then estimate  $E_Y[P(H_\ell|Y)]$  by

$$E_{Y}[P(H_{\ell}|Y)] = \frac{\pi_{\ell} E_{Y}[P(Y|H_{\ell})]}{\sum_{m=1}^{M} \pi_{m} E_{Y}[P(Y|H_{m})]}$$
(5)

## Questions about Step 3

- ▶ How to get a single number out of this computation?
- ▶ Where to put the design points  $\mathbf{D} = \{x_1, ..., x_N\}$ ?
- ▶ What do we do with  $y_i^{(j)}$  from simulations?
- ▶ Is there some kind of likelihood for linear regression? Some sources talk about Laplace approximation to marginal Y... did I compute that wrong? I averaged over  $\beta$ , am I supposed to somehow average over  $\mathbf{D}$  as well?
- ▶ Need to get rid of **x**'s somehow...

## What I Ended Up Doing

- Obtain design **D** from the Fast Algorithm for Linear Model Selection.
- 2. Draw  $y_i^{(j)} \sim N(\tilde{\beta}_\ell \mathbf{x}, \sigma_{\epsilon_\ell}^2 + \mathbf{x}^2 \sigma_{\beta_\ell}^2), \forall \mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbf{D}, j = 1, ..., J$  for model  $H_\ell$ . For now, M = 2.
- 3. Estimate  $E_y[P(Y|H_m)] \approx \frac{1}{JN} \sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i=1}^N P(y_i|H_m,\mathbf{x}_i)$ ,  $\forall m \in \{1,...,M\}$ , where  $P(y_i|H_m,\mathbf{x}_i)$  is the pdf of  $N(\tilde{\beta_m}\mathbf{x},\sigma_{\epsilon_m}^2+\mathbf{x}^2\sigma_{\beta_m}^2)$ .
- 4. Assume  $\pi_m = \frac{1}{M}, \forall m = 1, ..., M$  and estimate  $E_Y[P(H_\ell|Y)]$  by

$$E_Y[P(H_\ell|Y)] \approx \frac{E_Y[P(Y|H_\ell)]}{\sum_{m=1}^{M} \pi_m E_Y[P(Y|H_m)]}$$
 (6)

5. Since M = 2, can also compute the Bayes Factor,

$$BF_{01} \approx \frac{E_Y[P(Y|H_0)]}{E_Y[P(Y|H_1)]}$$
 (7)



### Results

For both 
$$H_0$$
,  $H_1$ ,  $\sigma_{\epsilon}=0.01$ ,  $\sigma_{\beta}=0.001$ ,  $N=51$ .  $\tilde{\beta}_0=1, \tilde{\beta}_0=1/2$ .

For generating Y under the null model given by  $H_0$ ,

- $ightharpoonup E_Y[P(H_0|Y)] \approx 0.8211184$
- $ightharpoonup E_Y[P(H_1|Y)] \approx 0.1788816$
- ►  $BF_{01} \approx 4.590291$ : supports  $H_0$

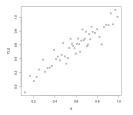
For generating Y under the alternative model given by  $H_1$ ,

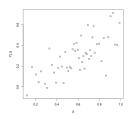
- $ightharpoonup E_Y[P(H_0|Y)] \approx 0.1801486$
- $\triangleright E_Y[P(H_1|Y)] \approx 0.8198514$
- ▶  $BF_{01} \approx 0.2197332$ : supports  $H_1$

### Results, continued...

For both 
$$H_0$$
,  $H_1$ ,  $\sigma_\epsilon=0.01$ ,  $\sigma_\beta=0.001$ ,  $N=51$ .  $\tilde{\beta}_0=1, \tilde{\beta}_0=1/2$ .

# Example Simulation from $H_0$ Model,





# Interpreting Bayes Factors (Kass & Raftery 1995):

$BF_{01}$	Evidence for $H_0$
< 1	Supports $H_1$
1 to 3	not worth mentioning
3 to 20	positive
20 to 150	Strong
> 150	v strong

## "Optimal Discrimination Designs" (Dette & Titoff 2009)

Under Construction!

Large k in Joseph et. al. 2015

## Recap of Stated Asymptotic Behavior of MED

Generalized Version of MED (Joseph et. al. 2015)

Choose the design  $\mathbf{D} = \{\mathbf{x}_1, ..., \mathbf{x}_N\}$  given by

$$\min_{\mathbf{D}} \mathsf{GE}_k = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \left( \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_i) q(\mathbf{x}_j)}{d(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)} \right)^k \right\}^{1/k} \tag{8}$$

 $k \in [1, \infty)$  ((4) in Joseph 2015)

Criterion when  $k \to \infty$  (p.5 in Joseph 2015)

$$\max_{\mathbf{D}} \min_{i,j} \frac{d(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)}{q(\mathbf{x}_i)q(\mathbf{x}_j)} \tag{9}$$

Criterion when  $k \to \infty$  (p.5 in Joseph 2018)

$$E(\mathbf{D}) = \max_{i \neq j} \frac{q(\mathbf{x}_i)q(\mathbf{x}_j)}{d(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)}$$
(10)

### What We See

### One-At-A-Time SMED

Concentrated at the mode and sometimes to one side.

k	Design
k = 4	2 5 2 3 5 2 3 4 3 4 3 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 5 4 5 4 5
k = 5000	2 2 2 2 2 2
k = 5000	2 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5

### One-At-A-Time SMED LM

Also get stuck at one place, but sooner and more severe.

k	Design
k = 4	3 3 3 2 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4
k = 200	2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2
k = 500	3 3 2 2 2 2 2 2 3 3 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4

# Asymptotic properties of SMED for Linear Model Selection

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- a distribution?
- a distance?

First, take a look how the asymptotic properties of SMED were made.

- Chapter 5 of Yan Wang's thesis
- ▶ Joseph et al 2015 & Supplementary Material
- ▶ Joseph et al 2018 & Supplementary Material

## Chapter 5 of Yan Wang's Thesis

### Main Points

Chapter 5 of "Asymptotic Theory for Decentralized Sequential Hypothesis Testing Problems and SMED Algorithm," thesis by Yan Wang is on the asymptotic properties of the SMED Algorithm (an unpublished version).

- "... good design should be able to estimate the global optimum accurately with as few design points as possible."
- ► A comprehensive review of efficient designs for low-dimensional design space (e.g. fractional factorial), and space-filling designs for dimension /approx10 design spaces (e.g. Latin hypercube), semi-sequential designs (PI and EI algorithms)
- Motivates sequential design that incorporate information from previous evaluated points into subsequent choice of test points - which is what SMED does.
- Some theorems on denseness and asymptotic distribution of design



## Chapter 5 Theorems on Denseness

### **Notation**

- ▶ Let  $\mathcal{E} = \{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots\}$  be the infinite sequence of design points obtained from running the algorithm without stopping.
- Assume  $q(x) \in [0,1]$  and call lower and upper bounds of q(x) by  $\underline{q} = \min_{\chi} q(x)$  and  $\bar{q} = \max_{\chi} q(x)$  so that  $0 \leq \underline{q} \leq \bar{q} \leq 1$ .

### Theorems on Denseness

- ▶ 5.3.1 If  $\beta > m$ , then  $\bar{\mathcal{E}} = \chi$
- ▶ 5.3.2 If  $\bar{q}>0$  and  $\beta=m=1$ , then  $\bar{\mathcal{E}}=\chi$

## Chapter 5 Heuristic Arguments for Asymptotic Distribution

### Assumptions

► The set  $\mathcal{E}$  of SMED design points has a positive density function  $\rho(x)$  s.t.  $\forall B \subset \chi$ ,

$$\lim_{n\to\infty}\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n I\{x_i\in B\}}{n}=\int_B \rho(x)dx$$

### Properties with Heuristic Arguments

- ▶ When  $\underline{q} > 0$  and  $\beta > m$ ,  $\rho(x) \propto (1 \alpha p(x))^{-\frac{2m\gamma}{\beta}}$ .
- ▶ the set  $\mathcal{E}$  is dense in  $\chi$  when  $\beta = m > 1$ . Furthermore,  $\rho(x) \sim q(x)^2$ .

The rest of Chapter 5 is on a simplification of the SMED algorithm, called "adjusted SMED."

## Joseph et al 2015, 2.2 Limiting Dist & Charge Fn

### Definitions & Notation

- ▶ The <u>index</u> for design  $\mathbf{D} = \{\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n\}$ , denoted by  $IN(\mathbf{D})$ , is the number of pairs  $(\mathbf{x}_l, \mathbf{x}_m)$  with the smallest value of  $d(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)/q(\mathbf{x}_i)q(\mathbf{x}_j)$  over all  $i \neq j$ .
- Let  $\mathbf{D}^* = \{\mathbf{x}_1^*, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n^*\}$  be the MED with the smallest index.
- ▶ Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be the Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra over  $\chi = [0,1]^p$ .
- ▶ Define the probability measures on  $(\chi, \mathcal{B})$ :

$$\mathcal{P}_n(A) = \frac{\#\{\mathbf{x}_i^* : 1 \le i \le n, \mathbf{x}_i^* \in A\}}{n}, \forall A \in \mathcal{B}$$
 (11)

### Theorems & Results

- ▶ Theorem 1. If  $q(x) \equiv 1$ ,  $\mathcal{P}_n \xrightarrow{d} Uniform(\chi)$
- Result 1. If 1/q is differentiable over  $\chi$  and bounded away from 0,  $\exists \mathcal{P}$  with density f s.t.  $\mathcal{P}_n$  converges to  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $f(x) \propto 1/q^{2p}(x)$



## Joseph et al 2015 Appendix & Supplementary Material

### **Appendix**

▶ Lemma 1 & Lemma 2 for proving Theorem 1.

### Supplementary Materials

Proofs of Theorem 1, Result 1, and the two lemmas in the Appendix (in addition to some figures).

## Joseph et al 2018

### **Definitions**

Generalized distance:

$$d_s(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = \left(\frac{1}{\rho} \sum_{l=1}^{\rho} |u_l - v_l|^s\right)^{1/s}$$
 (12)

where s > 0.

MinED criterion using generalized distance:

$$\max_{\mathbf{D}} \min_{i \neq j} f^{1/(2p)}(\mathbf{x}_i) f^{1/(2p)}(\mathbf{x}_j) d_s(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)$$
 (13)

Denote this design by MinEDs

## Joseph et al 2018

### Theorem 1

Suppose the charge function  $q(\cdot)$  is Lipschitz continuous, i.e.  $|q(\mathbf{u}-q(\mathbf{v})| \leq LD(\mathbf{u},\mathbf{v})$ , for  $\mathbf{u},\mathbf{v} \in \chi$  and a constant L>0. Let  $\mathbf{D}^*$  be the n-point MED design using 13 with the smallest index and  $\mathcal{B}$  be the Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra of  $\chi$ .

Define the following probability measures on  $(\chi, \mathcal{B})$ :

$$\mathcal{P}_n(A) = \frac{\operatorname{card}\{\mathbf{x}_i^* : 1 \le i \le n, \mathbf{x}_i^* \in A\}}{n}, \forall A \in \mathcal{B}$$
 (14)

Then there  $\exists \mathcal{P}$  with density f s.t.  $\mathcal{P}_n$  converges weakly to  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $f(x) \propto 1/q^{2p}(x)$  over  $\chi$ .

When  $s \rightarrow 0$ , the criterion becomes

$$\max_{\mathbf{D}} \min_{i \neq j} f^{1/(2p)}(\mathbf{x}_i) f^{1/(2p)}(\mathbf{x}_j) \prod_{l=1}^{p} |\mathbf{x}_{il}, \mathbf{x}_{jl}|^{1/p}$$
 (15)

## Joseph et al 2018 Supplementary Material

Theorem 1 shows that the limiting distribution of  $MinED_s$  is  $f(\mathbf{x})$  irrespective of the value of  $s \in (0, \infty)$ . The proof is given in the Supplementary material. Requires measure theory. Big yikes.

## Distinguishing Gaussian Processes

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### Distinguishing models with Gaussian Process Kernels

- ▶ 2 Different Kernels, e.g. Matern vs. Squared Exponential
- ► Same Kernel, different Parameters, e.g. Squared Exponential with different scale

The general model:  $y = \eta(x, \theta) + \epsilon$ 

## Questions about GP Set-Up

## Distinguishing between Functions vs. Distributions over Functions

- ▶ Where to begin?
- ► Distance?
  - 2-Wasserstein distance for GP in "Learning from uncertain curves: The 2-Wasserstein metric for Gaussian processes" (Mallasto &Feragen 2017)
  - Wasserstein distance between the posteriors
- ► How to choose design points?
- ▶ How to evaluate them? What's  $\phi_{0,x}$  and  $\phi_{1,x}$  now?
- Are we trying to evaluate each GP's ability to model some thing?
- As opposed to evaluating a model's ability to estimate parameters?

### Reminder of Gaussian Process Stuff

(Gaussian Processes for Machine Learning, Rasmussen 2006)

- 1. GP Prior:  $GP(\mathbf{0}, K(\cdot, \cdot))$ , where  $\mathbf{0}$  is the mean function,  $\mu(\mathbf{x})$  and  $K(\cdot, \cdot)$  is the covariance function.
- 2. The null distribution is

$$f_* \sim N(\mathbf{0}, K(\mathbf{X}_*, \mathbf{X}_*)) \tag{16}$$

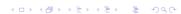
where  $\mathbf{X}_*$  is a vector of design points,  $\{\mathbf{x}_1,...,\mathbf{x}_n\}$ , which basically amounts to a draw from the Gaussian Process (i.e. a draw from a GP is MVN).

3. To make predictions for design points  $\{\mathbf{x_1}^*, \dots, \mathbf{x_{n_*}}^*\}$  given noise-free observations  $\{(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^{n_0}$ ,

$$\begin{pmatrix} f \\ f_* \end{pmatrix} \sim N \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} K(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{X}) & K(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{X}_*) \\ K(\mathbf{X}_*, \mathbf{X}) & K(\mathbf{X}_*, \mathbf{X}_*) \end{pmatrix}$$
(17)

This is the posterior predictive distribution.

Note: since it's noise-free,  $f_i = y_i, \forall i$ 



## Idea: Wasserstein b/w Post. Predictives

Generate N-point MED  $\mathbf{D}_N$  to distinguish GPs  $H_0$  &  $H_1$ :

- 1. Obtain N candidate points,  $\mathbf{x}$ , in [0,1] using a space-filling design and obtain  $f_*$  from the null distribution of  $H_0$  &  $H_1$  each:
- 2. For k=1,...,K-1, get next design  $\mathbf{D}_{k+1}$ : for j=1,...,N, Determine  $L_{jk}$ , obtain N candidate points,  $\tilde{\mathbf{D}}_k^j$  to get candidate set  $\mathbf{C}_{k+1}^j$  for selection of design point  $\mathbf{x}_j^{k+1}$ . Find the design point  $\mathbf{x}_j^{k+1}$  that minimizes

$$\max_{i=1:(j-1)} \frac{1}{f^{\gamma_k}(\mathbf{x}_i)f^{\gamma_k}(\mathbf{x}_j)d(\mathbf{x}_i,\mathbf{x}_j)}$$
(18)

where  $\gamma_k = k/(K-1)$ ,  $d(\cdot, \cdot)$  is Euclidean distance,  $f(\mathbf{x}) = \{\text{Wasserstein}(\phi_{0,\mathbf{x}},\phi_{1,\mathbf{x}})\}^{(1/2p)}$ , and where  $\phi_{0,\mathbf{x}}$  and  $\phi_{1,\mathbf{x}}$  are the posterior predictive distributions from each of  $H_0$  and  $H_1$  (see next slide).

## A Fast Algorithm, continued...

Posterior Predictives from each of  $H_0$  and  $H_1$ 

$$\begin{pmatrix} f \\ f_* \end{pmatrix} \sim N \begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{K}_0(\boldsymbol{\mathsf{X}}, \boldsymbol{\mathsf{X}}) & \mathcal{K}_0(\boldsymbol{\mathsf{X}}, \boldsymbol{\mathsf{X}}_*) \\ \mathcal{K}_0(\boldsymbol{\mathsf{X}}_*, \boldsymbol{\mathsf{X}}) & \mathcal{K}_0(\boldsymbol{\mathsf{X}}_*, \boldsymbol{\mathsf{X}}_*) \end{pmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$
 
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Which are MVN so Wasserstein has a closed form for each.

Updating  $\mathbf{x}_{i}^{k+1}$ , *j*th design point of design  $\mathbf{D}_{k}$ :

1. To find design point  $\mathbf{x}_{j}^{k+1}$ , use a method similar to Greedy Algorithm (max, not sum):

$$\mathbf{x}_{j}^{k} = \underset{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{C}_{k+1}^{j}}{\min} \max_{i=1:(j-1)} \frac{1}{f^{\gamma_{k}}(\mathbf{x}_{i})f^{\gamma_{k}}(\mathbf{x})d(\mathbf{x}_{i},\mathbf{x})}$$
(19)

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## Some Thoughts

- ▶ Difference between initializing with candidate set from space-filling design and initializing with candidate set from  $Uniform([0,1]^p)$  (is there a difference, like there was in seminar?)
- Asymptotic properties of other model-type comparisons, besides linear
- ▶ We hope that this is more meaningful than points concentrated in the middle and somewhat spread out from there... order matters, too, though "sequential." But how is 2018 sequential?
- Optimize code for Fast Algorithm for Linear Model Selection, so that we can use N = 103 in linear model selection case (rather than N = 51 in estimates for expected posterior probabilities of models).