

Home Assignment - 1

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1 Introduction

2 Theory

Let \mathbf{Y}_k represent the n known observations of spatial data and \mathbf{Y}_u represent the m data points that needs to be estimated. For ordinary Kriging ($\mu = \mathbf{1}\beta$), the optimal predictions are given by

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\mathbf{Y}}_u &= \mathbf{1}_u \hat{\beta} + \Sigma_{uk} \Sigma_{kk}^{-1} (\mathbf{Y}_k - \mathbf{1}_k \hat{\beta}) \\ \hat{\beta} &= (\mathbf{1}_k^T \Sigma_{kk}^{-1} \mathbf{1}_k)^{-1} \mathbf{1}_k^T \Sigma_{kk}^{-1} \mathbf{Y}_k,\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Y}_k \\ \mathbf{Y}_u \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbf{N} \left(\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{1}_k \beta \\ \mathbf{1}_u \beta \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{kk} & \Sigma_{ku} \\ \Sigma_{uk} & \Sigma_{uu} \end{bmatrix} \right).$$

Firstly, we show that the predictions are linear in the observations, i.e., $\hat{\mathbf{Y}}_u = \boldsymbol{\lambda}^T \mathbf{Y}_k$ for some $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$. We may re-write $\hat{\beta}$ as

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\beta} &= \boldsymbol{\gamma}^T \mathbf{Y}_k \\ \boldsymbol{\gamma} &= \left((\mathbf{1}_k^T \Sigma_{kk}^{-1} \mathbf{1}_k)^{-1} \mathbf{1}_k^T \Sigma_{kk}^{-1} \right)^T.\end{aligned}$$

We note that the vector $\boldsymbol{\gamma}^T$ is of dimensions $1 \times n$, and therefore, $\hat{\beta}$ is a scalar. Substituting the above in the expression for $\hat{\mathbf{Y}}_u$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\mathbf{Y}}_u &= \mathbf{1}_u \boldsymbol{\gamma}^T \mathbf{Y}_k + \Sigma_{uk} \Sigma_{kk}^{-1} \mathbf{Y}_k - \Sigma_{uk} \Sigma_{kk}^{-1} \mathbf{1}_k \boldsymbol{\gamma}^T \mathbf{Y}_k \\ &= (\mathbf{1}_u \boldsymbol{\gamma}^T + \Sigma_{uk} \Sigma_{kk}^{-1} - \Sigma_{uk} \Sigma_{kk}^{-1} \mathbf{1}_k \boldsymbol{\gamma}^T) \mathbf{Y}_k \\ &= \boldsymbol{\lambda}^T \mathbf{Y}_k,\end{aligned}$$

where $\boldsymbol{\lambda} = (\mathbf{1}_u \boldsymbol{\gamma}^T + \Sigma_{uk} \Sigma_{kk}^{-1} - \Sigma_{uk} \Sigma_{kk}^{-1} \mathbf{1}_k \boldsymbol{\gamma}^T)^T$.

Secondly, we show that the predictions are unbiased, i.e., $\mathbf{E}(\hat{\mathbf{Y}}_u) = \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{Y}_u)$. The expected value of $\hat{\beta}$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{E}(\hat{\beta}) &= (\mathbf{1}_k^T \Sigma_{kk}^{-1} \mathbf{1}_k)^{-1} \mathbf{1}_k^T \Sigma_{kk}^{-1} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{Y}_k) \\ &= (\mathbf{1}_k^T \Sigma_{kk}^{-1} \mathbf{1}_k)^{-1} \mathbf{1}_k^T \Sigma_{kk}^{-1} \mathbf{1}_k \beta \\ &= \beta.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{E}(\hat{\mathbf{Y}}_u) &= \mathbf{1}_u \mathbf{E}(\hat{\beta}) + \Sigma_{uk} \Sigma_{kk}^{-1} (\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{Y}_k) - \mathbf{1}_k \mathbf{E}(\hat{\beta})) \\ &= \mathbf{1}_u \beta + \Sigma_{uk} \Sigma_{kk}^{-1} (\mathbf{1}_k \beta - \mathbf{1}_k \beta) \\ &= \mathbf{1}_u \beta.\end{aligned}$$

3 Data

4 Least-Squares

5 Universal Kriging

6 Conclusions