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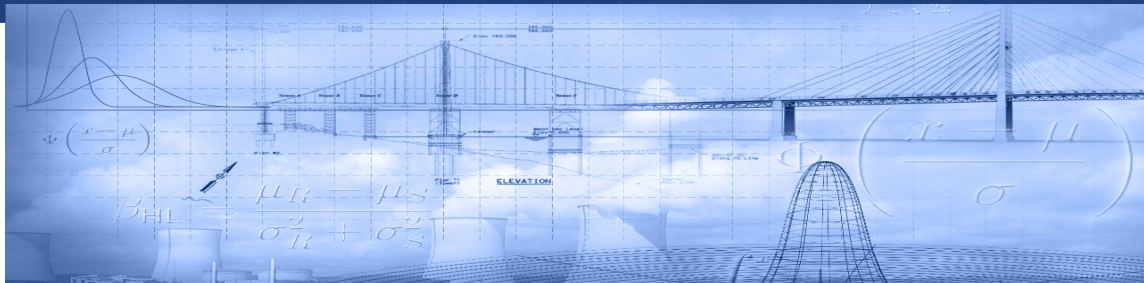
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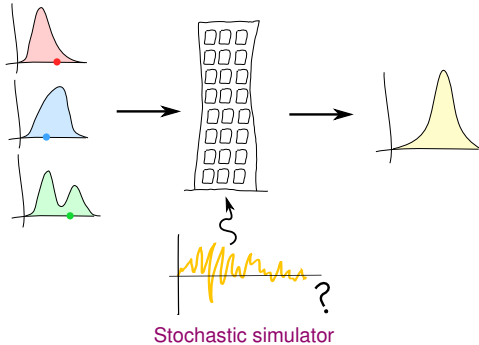


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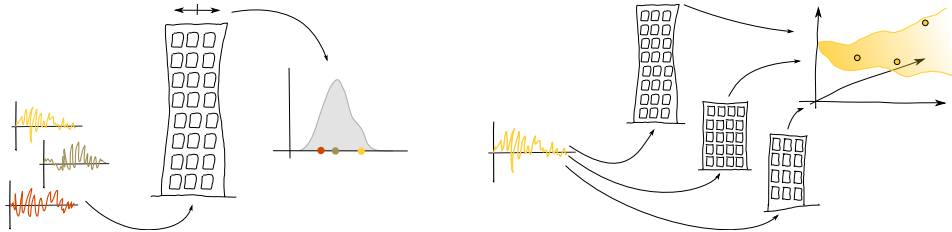
Stochastic simulators



What if it is not feasible to model all of the uncertainty?

- uncontrollable environmental variables (e.g., wind field, earthquake)
- intrinsic randomness (e.g., SIR epidemics model)

Stochastic simulators



Notation: Real-valued stochastic simulator $\mathcal{M} : \mathcal{D} \times \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

- Input random vector \mathbf{X} with values in $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$, finite variance, distribution $f_{\mathbf{X}}$
- Abstract random event $\omega \in \Omega$ denoting the stochasticity
- $Y_{\mathbf{x}} = \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}, \cdot)$ is a random variable
- $\mathcal{M}(\cdot, \omega) : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a function (trajectory)

→ \mathcal{M} can be seen as a **random field** $\{Y_{\mathbf{x}}\}_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{D}}$!

Karhunen-Loève expansion

Kosambi (1943); Karhunen (1947); Loève (1948); Ghanem & Spanos (1991)

Denote by $\mu(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbb{E}[\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}, \cdot)]$ the **mean function** of the random field, and by $C(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \text{Cov}[\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}, \cdot), \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}', \cdot)]$ its **covariance function**.

The **random field** \mathcal{M} can be represented as follows:¹

Karhunen-Loève expansion (KLE)

$$\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}, \omega) \approx \mu(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sqrt{\lambda_k} \xi_k(\omega) \phi_k(\mathbf{x})$$

with

1. an orthonormal basis $\{\phi_k\}_{k=1,2,\dots}$ of $\mathcal{L}^2(\mathcal{D})$
2. a decreasing sequence of real numbers $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \rightarrow 0$
 (λ_k, ϕ_k) are solutions to the **integral eigenvalue problem** $\int_{\mathcal{D}} C(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') \phi_k(\mathbf{x}') d\mathbf{x}' = \lambda_k \phi_k(\mathbf{x})$
3. a countable family of zero mean, unit variance, uncorrelated random variables $\{\xi_k\}_{k=1,2,\dots}$

ξ_k is the result of the **projection of \mathcal{M} onto the basis**: $\xi_k(\omega) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_k}} \int_{\mathcal{D}} \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}, \omega) \phi_k(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$

¹Assumptions: \mathcal{D} closed and bounded, C continuous, $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}, \cdot)$ has finite variance $\forall \mathbf{x}$.

KLE – Challenges

1. KLE relies on the **covariance function** – what if we only have discrete data?

Data: **discrete evaluations** of the stochastic simulator on **R trajectories**:

$$\mathcal{T}_r = \left\{ \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{x}^{(r,i)}, \omega^{(r)}) : i = 1, \dots, N_r \right\}, \quad r = 1, \dots, R$$

where for every r , $\{\mathbf{x}^{(r,i)}\}$ is an i.i.d. sample from the input distribution $f_{\mathbf{X}}$

2. Once we have computed the expansion – how to deal with **the random variables ξ_k of the KLE?**

Approaches using KLE for discrete data ...

Challenge 1: Discrete data

Challenge 2: Inference

Azzi et al. (2019) I

- First KLE on the discrete data
- Then cont. approximation of the eigenvectors

- Use given realizations

Azzi et al. (2019) II

- First cont. approximation of the discrete covariance matrix
- Then KLE

- Use given realizations

Poirion & Zentner (2014)

- Interpolate discrete trajectories using piecewise linear functions
- Then KLE

- Assume independence
- Kernel density estimation for marginals

Our approach

- Approximate the discrete trajectories using **sparse PCE** – orthonormal wrt input distribution $f_{\mathbf{X}}$
- Then apply **KLE** – not in $[0, 1]^d$ but in $L^2_{f_{\mathbf{X}}}(\mathcal{D})$ (**extended KLE**)
→ equivalent to **PCA on the PCE coefficients!**

- Statistical modelling of the full multi-variate distribution of KLE-RV using **parametric inference of marginals and copulas**

Toy example: stochastic differential equation

Stochastic differential equation

$$dU_t = (X_1 - U_t)dt + (\nu U_t + 1)X_2 dW_t$$

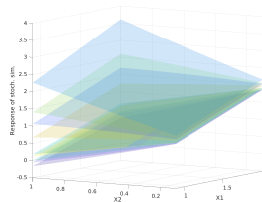
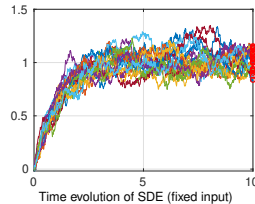
with initial condition $U_0 = 0$ (a.s.) and $\nu = 0.2$.

- $X_1 \sim \mathcal{U}([0.9, 2])$ and $X_2 \sim \mathcal{U}([0.1, 1])$ are the input parameters
- W_t is a **standard Wiener process** (source of stochasticity)
- QoI: $Y_{\mathbf{x}} = U_{t=10}(X_1 = x_1, X_2 = x_2)$

Trajectories: solve the SDE for several input parameters using the same process W_t

For the **surrogate**, we choose $N = 10$ and $p = 2$.

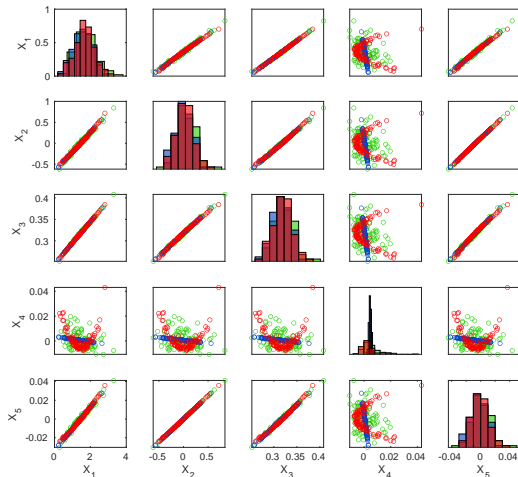
Navarro Jimenez et al. (2017), Zhu & Sudret (2020)



Several trajectories

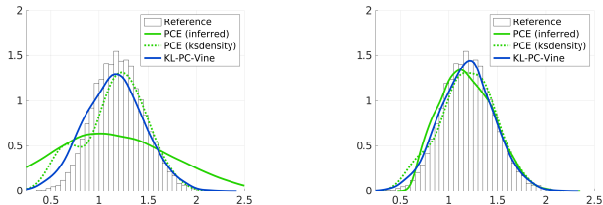
Toy example: stochastic differential equation

1. Sample the stochastic simulator: **discrete trajectories**
2. Approximate with **sparse PCE** (= polynomial regression using functions that are orthonormal wrt the distribution of the samples)
→ **PCE coefficient sample**
3. Possibility 1: **directly model the distribution of PCE coefficients**
4. Possibility 2: **apply KLE to the PCE trajectories** (= PCA on the PCE coefficients) and **infer the distribution of random KL coefficients**
5. Possibility 3+: *identify (nonlinear) functional dependence ...*

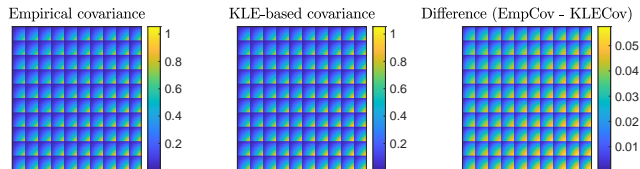


Stochastic differential equation: Results

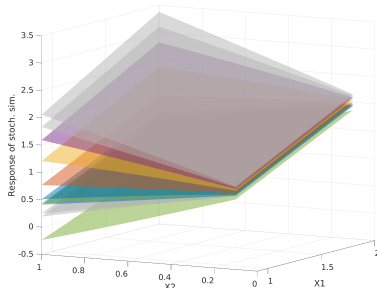
Marginal approximation at $x_1 = (1.2, 0.3)$ for $R \in \{20, 100\}$



Covariance approximation for $R = 100$



Generating new samples by sampling from the inferred stochastic model



Conclusion

- We are developing a **stochastic emulator** for modelling and resampling a stochastic simulator (viewed as **random field**)
- Combination of **Karhunen-Loève expansion**, **sparse PCE**, and **statistical inference using copulas**

Outlook

- Develop ways to deal with the **functional dependence** between coefficients
- Improve **parametric inference**: find suitable marginal distributions and **copulas** (dependent yet uncorrelated)
- Understand theoretical implications of PCE approximation (orthogonal series expansion)
- Apply the method to **real-world problems**, e.g.
 - Wind turbine simulation
 - Impact of earthquake on family of buildings

Thank you for your attention!



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