

# Advanced Surrogate Modeling

## Kriging Interpolation



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**Kriging** is a **parametric regression method** widely used in computational simulation, derived from the notion of “minimizing” both the expected value, and variance of the error attained by a linear estimator of a random vector.

- Provides an unbiased surrogate model at on-design samples, which makes it suitable for interpolation.
- The variance of the estimation error can be used for setting bounds on off-design samples.

# Optimization Problem

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Given random vectors  $W \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , and  $Z \in \mathbb{R}^n$  with known mean  $\mu_Z := E[Z]$ , variance  $\Sigma_Z := E[(Z - \mu_Z)(Z - \mu_Z)^\top]$ , and covariance  $\Sigma_{ZW} := E[(Z - \mu_Z)(W - \mu_W)^\top]$ , find  $L \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , and  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$  such that  $\hat{W} := LZ + b$  is the linear estimate of  $W$  from  $Z$  that minimizes a measure of  $E[\hat{W} - W]$ , and  $E[(\hat{W} - W)(\hat{W} - W)^\top]$ .

# Expected Estimation Error

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The expected value of the error with the linear estimator is

$$\begin{aligned} E[\hat{W} - W] &= E[LZ + b - W] \\ &= L(E[Z]) + b - E[W] \\ &= L\mu_Z - \mu_W + b \end{aligned} \quad \dots(1)$$

Suppose that we pick  $L$ , by plugging

$$b = \mu_W - L\mu_Z \quad \dots(2)$$

into (1), we have  $E[\hat{W} - W] = 0$ .

# Variance of Estimation Error

With the value of  $b$  in (2) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 E \left[ \left( \hat{W} - W \right) \left( \hat{W} - W \right)^\top \right] &= \\
 &= E \left[ \left( LZ + b - W \right) \left( LZ + b - W \right)^\top \right] \\
 &= E \left[ \left( LZ + \mu_W - L\mu_Z - W \right) \left( LZ + \mu_W - L\mu_Z - W \right)^\top \right] \\
 &= E \left[ \left( L(Z - \mu_Z) - (W - \mu_W) \right) \left( (Z - \mu_Z)^\top L^\top - (W - \mu_W)^\top \right) \right] \\
 &= L\Sigma_Z L^\top - L\Sigma_{ZW} - \Sigma_{ZW}^\top L^\top + \Sigma_W \\
 &=: g(L)
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3}$$

# Matrix-valued Completion of Squares

Let  $A = A^\top \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $A \succ 0$ ,  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ , and  $C = C^\top \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ .

Define  $h: \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  as

$$h(K) := KAK^\top - KB - B^\top K^\top + C.$$

**Theorem:** There exists  $K^* \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  such that

$$h(K^*) \preceq h(K) \quad \forall K \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}. \quad \dots(4)$$

In fact:

$$K^* = B^\top A^{-1} \quad \dots(5)$$

$$h(K^*) = C - B^\top A^{-1} B$$

# Linear Minimum-variance Estimator

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According to (4), and (5) the matrix  $L^*$  that plugged in (3) achieves  $g(L^*) \preceq g(L) \forall L \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  is

$$L^* := \Sigma_{ZW}^T \Sigma_Z^{-1}, \quad \dots(6)$$

with a variance on the estimation error of

$$g(L^*) = \Sigma_W - \Sigma_{ZW}^T \Sigma_Z^{-1} \Sigma_{ZW}. \quad \dots(7)$$

Using (2), and (6) the linear minimum-variance estimator is

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{W} &= L^* Z + \mu_W - L^* \mu_Z = \Sigma_{ZW}^T \Sigma_Z^{-1} Z + \mu_W - \Sigma_{ZW}^T \Sigma_Z^{-1} \mu_Z \\ &= \Sigma_{ZW}^T \Sigma_Z^{-1} (Z - \mu_Z) + \mu_W \end{aligned} \quad \dots(8)$$

The Kriging method is a Gaussian process.

# Interpolation problem and Kriging

*Let  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .*

*Given a set of samples  $\{x_k, z_k = f(x_k)\}_{k=1}^N$ , estimate the value of the function at some new value  $x_0$ .*

**The Kriging approach:**

Model the dependence of  $z_k$  on  $x_k$  as a stochastic process with known mean, and covariance. Use the samples and the linear estimator in (8) to make a prediction of  $f(x_0)$ .



# Kriging Interpolation

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1. Fit the sample points with a (linear, quadratic, etc.) function  $\phi: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  to compute  $\mu_W$ , and  $\mu_Z$ .
2. Consider a hyperparameter  $\sigma$  in the definition of a covariance function  $\rho(\sigma, w, z) =: R_\sigma(w, z)$  for  $w, z \in \mathbb{R}^n$  to compute  $\Sigma_{WZ}$ , and  $\Sigma_Z$ .

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3. The linear-minimum variance estimator for  $f(x_0)$  becomes:

$$\Sigma_{ZW}^T \Sigma_Z^{-1} (Z - \mu_Z) + \mu_W =$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} R_\sigma(x_0, x_1) \\ \vdots \\ R_\sigma(x_0, x_N) \end{bmatrix}^\top \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} R_\sigma(x_1, x_1) & R_\sigma(x_1, x_2) & \cdots & R_\sigma(x_1, x_N) \\ R_\sigma(x_2, x_1) & R_\sigma(x_2, x_2) & \cdots & R_\sigma(x_2, x_N) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ R_\sigma(x_N, x_1) & R_\sigma(x_N, x_2) & \cdots & R_\sigma(x_N, x_N) \end{bmatrix}^{-1}}_{R :=} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 - \phi(x_1) \\ z_2 - \phi(x_2) \\ \vdots \\ z_n - \phi(x_N) \end{bmatrix} + \phi(x_0)$$

$$=: \hat{f}(x_0)$$

# *Kriging interpolation*

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4. Choose the best value for the hyperparameter  $\sigma$  by cross-validation.
5. Compute upper and lower bounds for the estimation of  $f(x_0)$  using the variance of the estimation error in (7).

# Interpolation Example for $f(x) := xe^{-x}$

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Code available at <https://github.com/ocnaar>

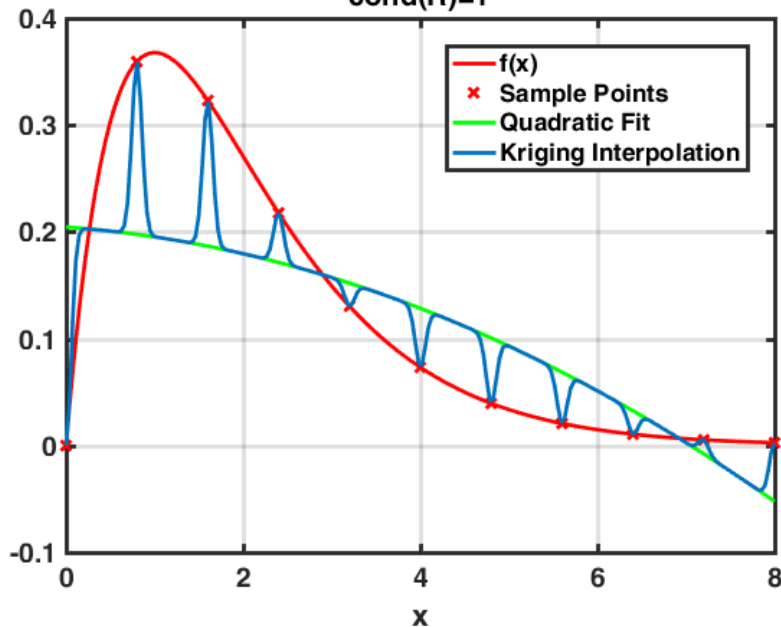
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# Tuning the hyper-parameter $\sigma \in (0, 10]$

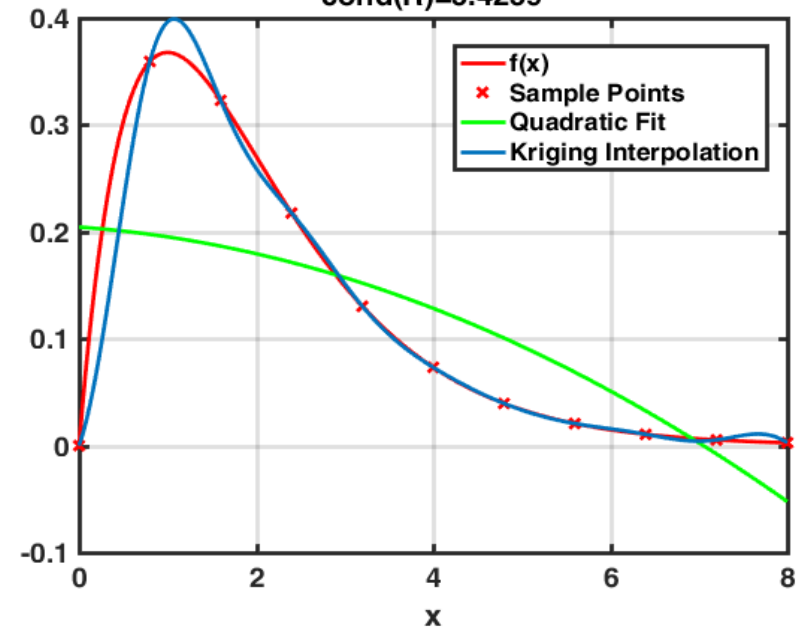
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$$f(x) := xe^{-x} \quad \phi(x) := a + bx + cx^2 \quad R_\sigma(\theta, \eta) := e^{\frac{-(\theta - \eta)^2}{\sigma^2}} \quad \hat{f}(x)$$

Kriging Regression to interpolate function  $f(x)$  with  $\sigma=0.01$   
cond(R)=1



Kriging Regression to interpolate function  $f(x)$  with  $\sigma=0.1$   
cond(R)=5.4259



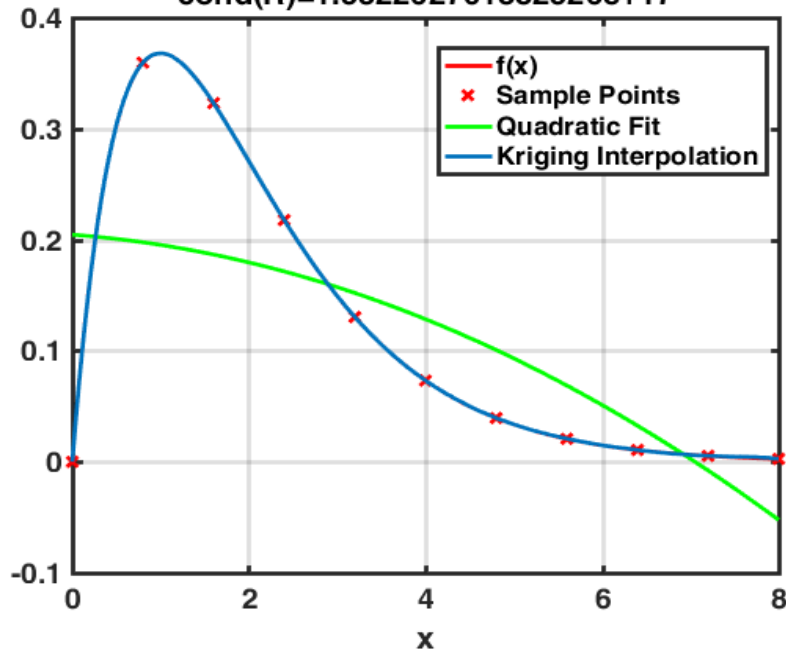
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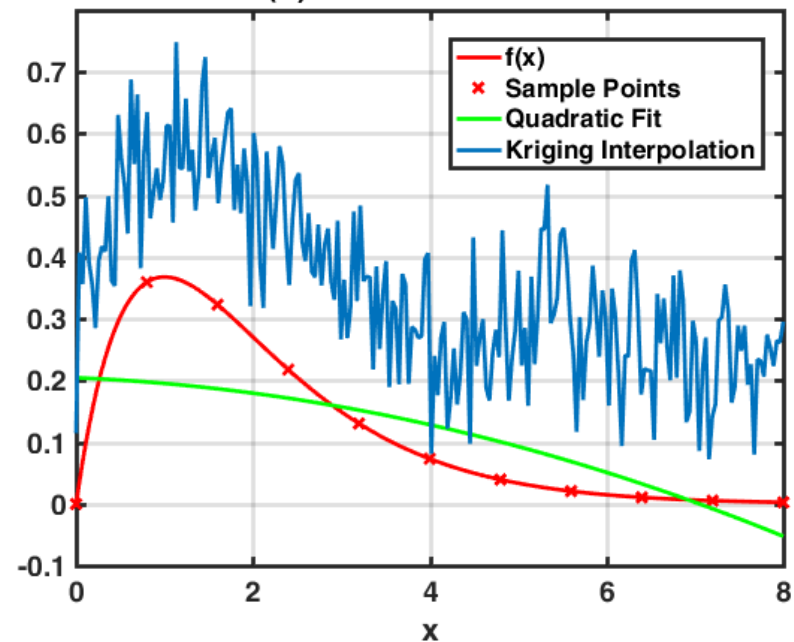
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Kriging Regression to interpolate function  $f(x)$  with  $\sigma=1$   
cond(R)=1.532262701882526e+17

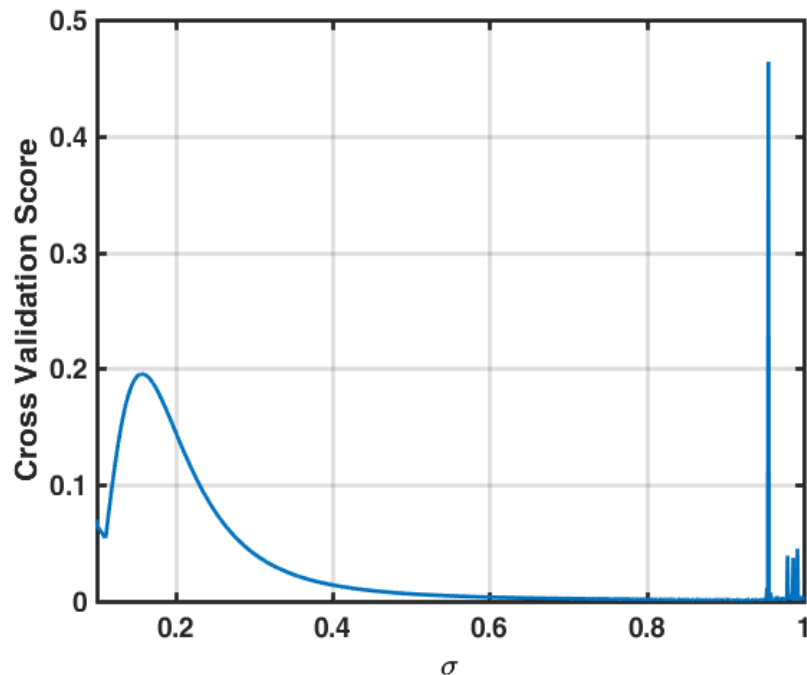


Kriging Regression to interpolate function  $f(x)$  with  $\sigma=10$   
cond(R)=7.883213142522941e+17

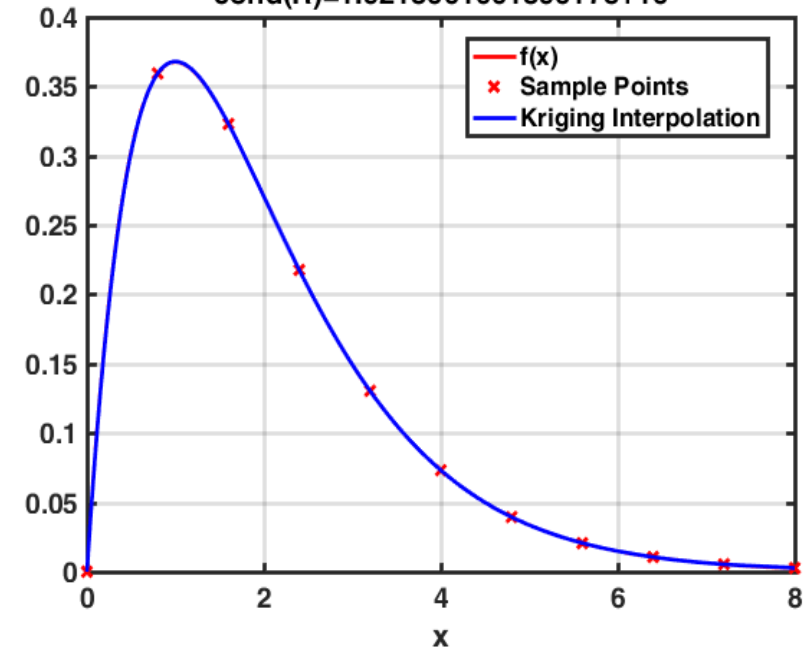


# Choice of best $\sigma$ using cross-validation

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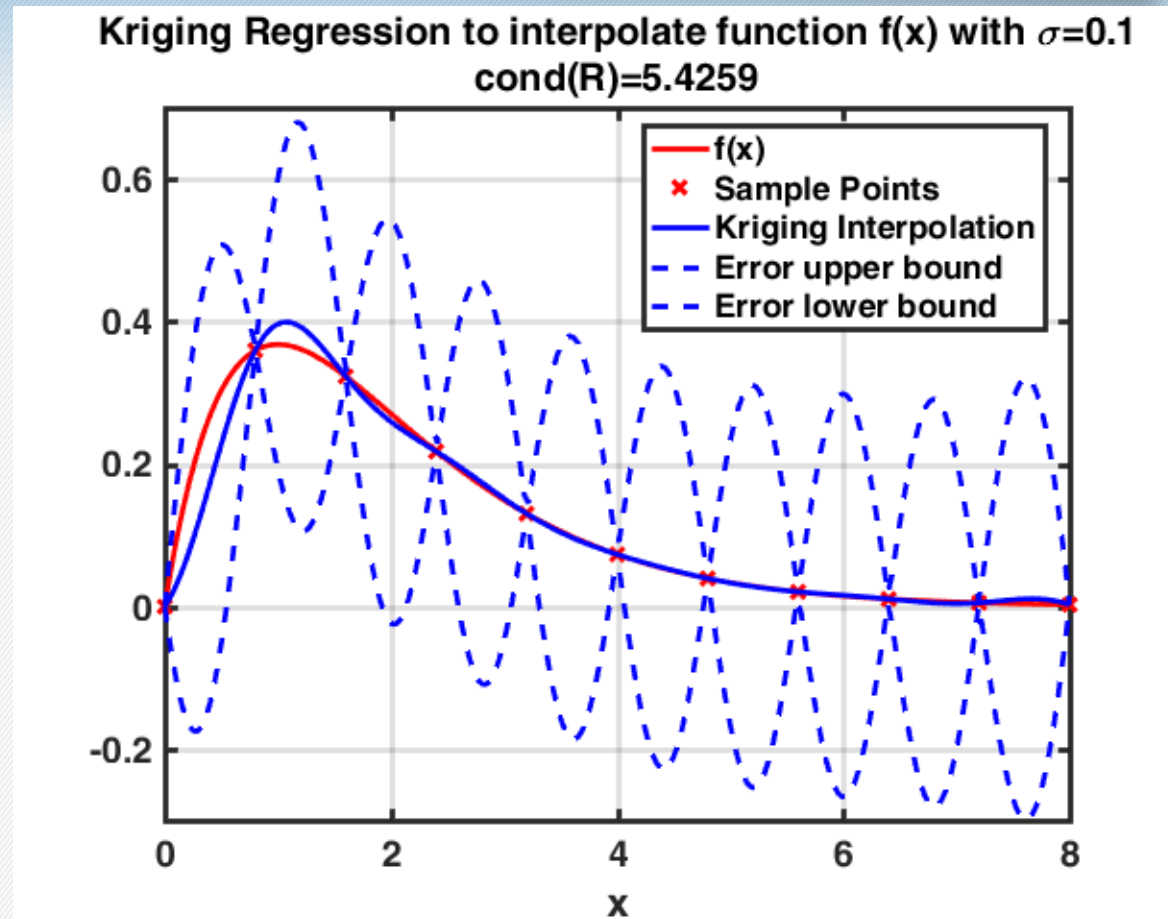


Kriging Regression to interpolate function  $f(x)$  with  $\sigma=0.95586$   
 $\text{cond}(R)=1.921860100189617\text{e}+16$



# Bounds from variance of estimation error

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