

Learning from Functions with Semi-Parametric Kernel Ridge

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1. Introduction

- Meta-learning: leverages similar learning problems (tasks) for a specific similar data-scarce target learning problem (task).
- AIM : Come up with a meta-learning method that is interpretable with a convex loss to optimize!

2. Semi-Parametric Kernel Ridge

Assuming $\tilde{f} = f + h$ where $h \in span\{\psi_p\}$ and as $\{\psi_p\}_{p=1}^M$ are real-valued functions and if the loss is taken as $\mathcal{L} = \sum_i^N (\tilde{f}(\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i)^2$. Then,

$$\hat{\tilde{f}} = \min_{\tilde{f} \in \mathcal{H}} \sum_i^{N_a} (\tilde{f}(\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i)^2 + g(||f||_{\mathcal{H}}) \tag{3}$$

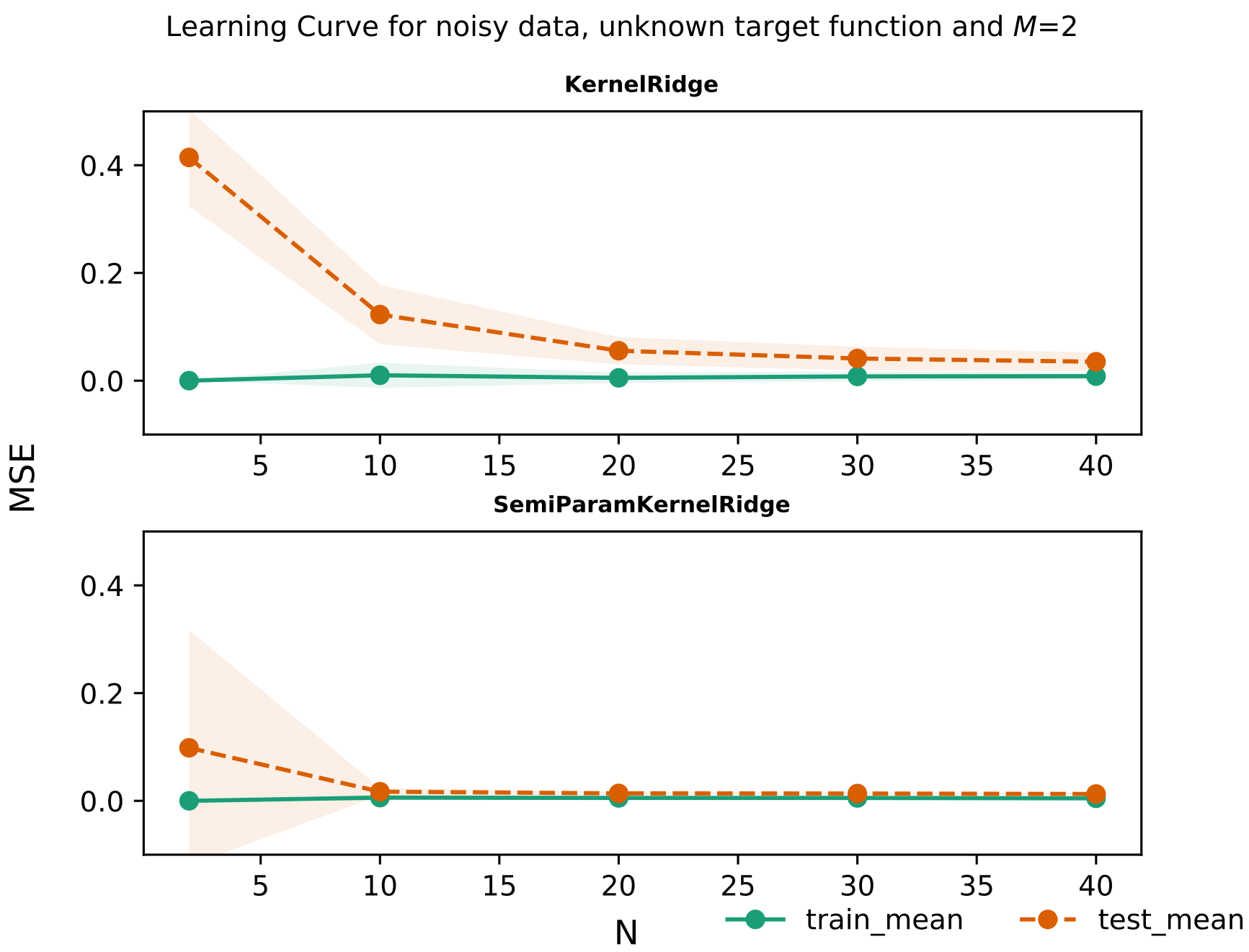
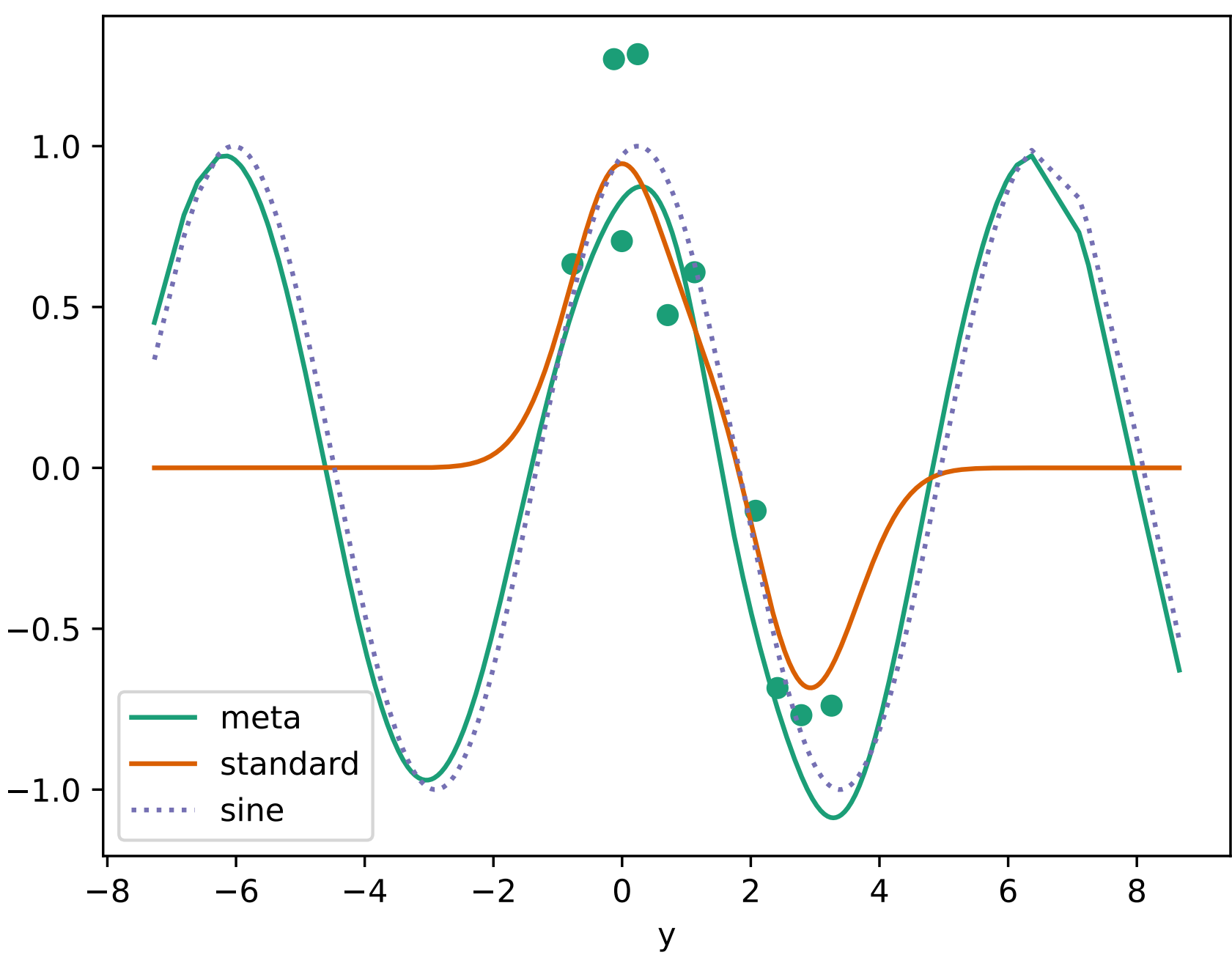
has the form $\tilde{f}(\cdot) = \sum_i^N \alpha_i k(\cdot, \mathbf{x}_i) + \sum_j^M \beta_j \psi_j(\cdot)$. (Semi-Parametric Representer Theorem!)

4. Synthetic Problem

Let us assume we are trying to solve a problem for a 1-dimensional regression problem (D=1),

$$y = \sin(\mathbf{x} + \phi_a) + \varepsilon, \tag{4}$$

where $y \in \mathbb{R}, \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^D, \phi_a \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, c\mathbf{I})$ and $\varepsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$.

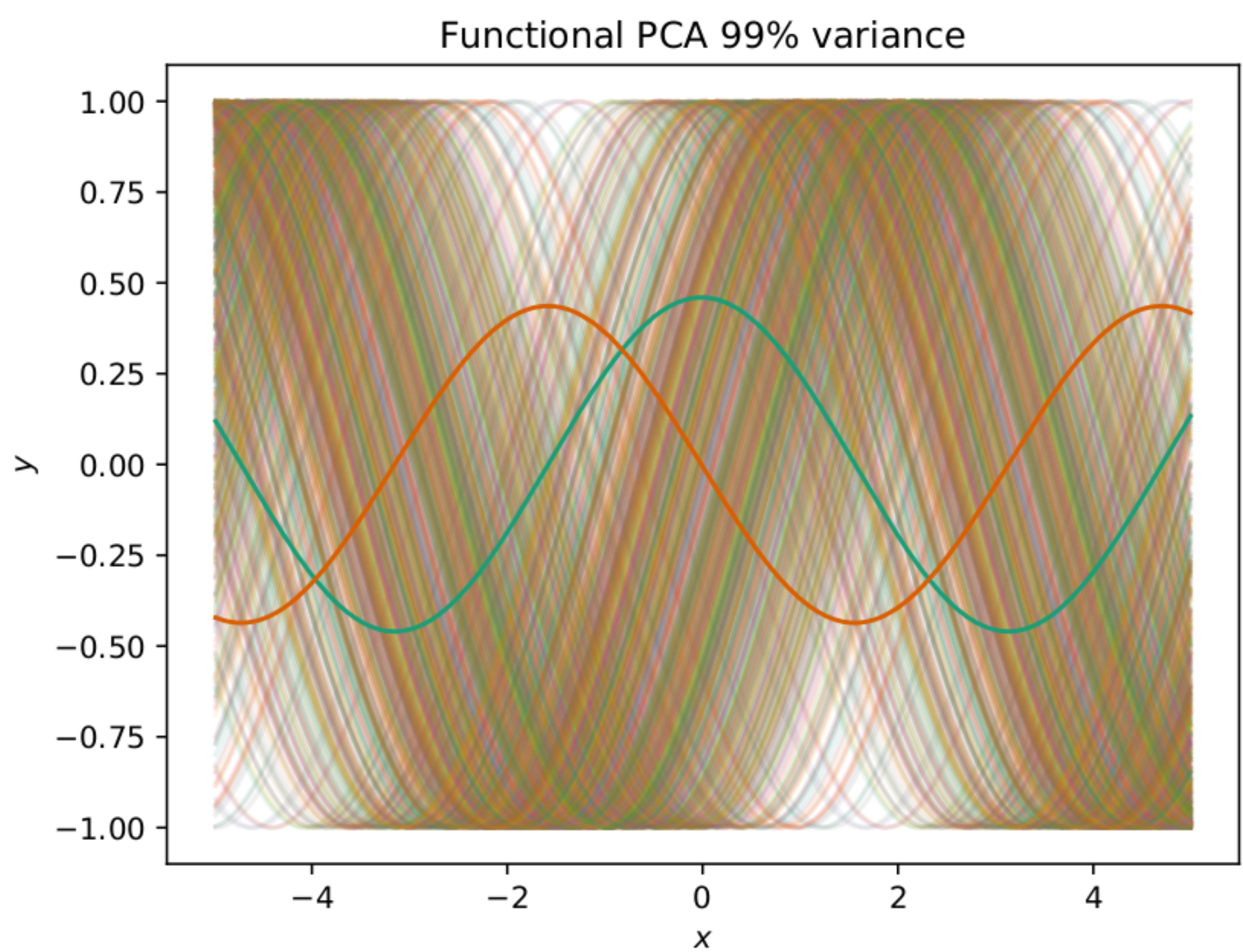


3. Setup

$$y = f_a(\mathbf{x}) + \varepsilon, \tag{1}$$

where $y \in \mathbb{R}, \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$, and ε is taken to be standard normal.

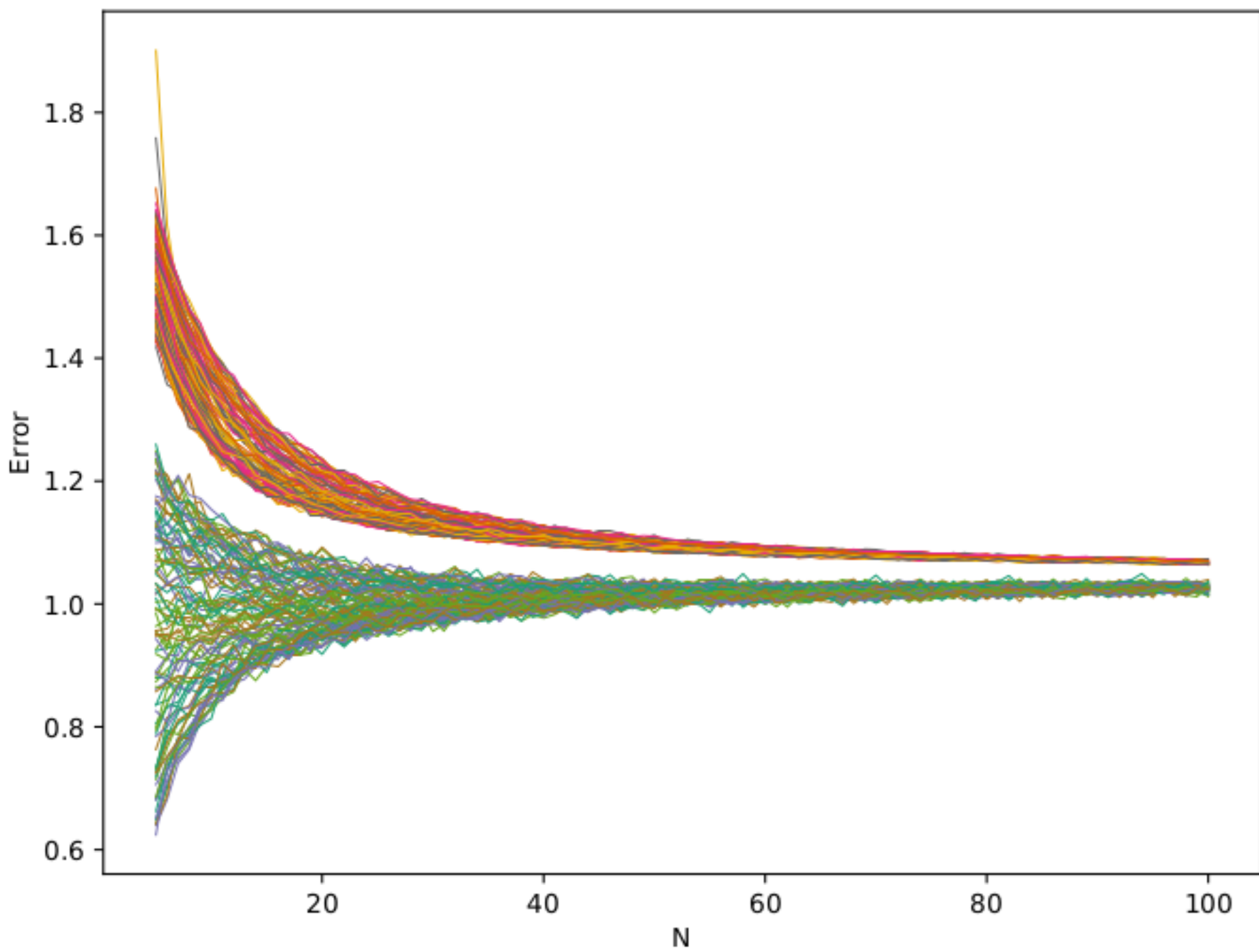
Meta-learning tasks are determined by p_f !



3. Open Questions

- Regularization of β
- Can we just improve our kernels with $\{\psi_i\}_{i=1}^N$
- Functional PCA utilization!

5. Learning Curve Application



- Bunch of learning curves for varying regularization λ
- Work in progress!!!