



Bayesian Field Inversion with Hyperparameters Estimation

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Context

Detection and analysis of seismic events

Global scale

- International treaties (CTBT, NTP)
- Environment monitoring (IMS)

Regional scale

- Tsunami and seism alerts
- Risk prevention

Local scale

- Knowledge of subsurface
- Exploitation





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Context: seismic tomography Forward problem Velocity field fPorward model^(a) \mathcal{M} Prival time d^{obs}

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Objective: Estimation of a field (*i*) accurate, (*ii*) with uncertainties, (*iii*) fast.



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Bayes formulation



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⇒ Representation of f ? Evaluation of M ? → Polynomial chaos surrogate [Marzouk et al., 2009].

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Representation of the field



(a) Nodal representation

- X Large number of parameters (expensive)
- × Interpolation needed
- Easy to implement



(b) Modal representation

- ✓ Few number of modes
- ✓ Defined on all the spatial domain
- \Rightarrow Implementation ?

Karhunen–Loève decomposition

 $f(\mathbf{x})$ is seen as a particular *realization of a Gaussian process* $\mathcal{G} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, k)$, where k is the *autocovariance function* [Karhunen, Loève, 1946, 1977].

$$f(\boldsymbol{x}) = \mathcal{G}(\boldsymbol{x}, \theta) \simeq \sum_{i=1}^{r} \lambda_i^{1/2} u_i(\boldsymbol{x}) \eta_i(\theta), \text{ with } \eta_i = \lambda_i^{-1/2} \langle u_i, \mathcal{G} \rangle_{\Omega}$$

• $(u_i, \lambda_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}^*}$ eigenelements of k:

$$\langle k(\mathbf{x},\cdot), u_i \rangle_{\Omega} := \int_{\Omega} k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') u_i(\mathbf{x}') d\mathbf{x}' = \lambda_i u_i(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\Rightarrow p_{\text{post}}(f(\boldsymbol{\eta})|\boldsymbol{d}^{\text{obs}}) \propto \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{d}^{\text{obs}}|f(\boldsymbol{\eta}))\pi(\boldsymbol{\eta}).$$

Dependency on hyperparameters

In fact, $\mathcal{G} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, k(q))$ and therefore,

$$f(\boldsymbol{x}) \simeq \sum_{i=1}^{r} \lambda_{i}^{1/2}(\boldsymbol{q}) u_{i}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{q}) \eta_{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}), \text{ with } \eta_{i} = \lambda_{i}^{-1/2}(\boldsymbol{q}) \langle u_{i}(\cdot, \boldsymbol{q}), \mathcal{G} \rangle_{\Omega}$$

Exemple (squared exponential kernel)

$$k(x, y, \boldsymbol{q} := \{\boldsymbol{A}, \ell\})$$
$$= \boldsymbol{A} \exp\left(-\frac{\|x - y\|^2}{2\ell^2}\right)$$





(a) Some modes for $\ell = 20$

(b) Some modes for $\ell = 60$



(c) Field obtained with $\ell = 20$

with $\ell = 60$

 \Rightarrow Exploration of hyperparameters space

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Change of measure method

Change of measure:

- Reference kernel \overline{k} and associated basis $(\overline{\lambda}_i, \overline{u}_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}^*}$ [Sraj et al., 2016]
- Sample (ξ, q): the q-dependency is transferred to the coordinates law, [NP/Sochala/Gesret/Le Maître, in prep.]

$$f(\mathbf{x}) \simeq \overline{\mathcal{G}}^r(\mathbf{x}, heta) := \sum_{i=1}^r \overline{\lambda}_i^{1/2} \overline{u}_i(\mathbf{x}) \xi_i(heta) ext{ with } \mathbf{\xi} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{\Sigma}(\mathbf{q}))$$

and
$$p_{ ext{post}}(f(m{\xi})|m{d}^{ ext{obs}}) \propto \mathcal{L}(m{d}^{ ext{obs}}|f(m{\xi}))\pi(m{\xi}|m{q})\pi(m{q}).$$

The covariance matrix $\Sigma(\mathbf{q})$ writes

 $\forall 1 \leqslant i, j \leqslant r, \ \forall \boldsymbol{q} \in \mathbb{H}, \qquad \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{ij}(\boldsymbol{q}) := (\overline{\lambda}_i \overline{\lambda}_j)^{-1/2} \left\langle \left\langle k(\cdot, \cdot, \boldsymbol{q}), \overline{u}_j \right\rangle_{\Omega}, \overline{u}_i \right\rangle_{\Omega}.$



Workflow











Application case: 1D section of Amoco model $\left[\text{O'Brien et al., 1994} \right]$ and location of stations

 $m{d}^{
m obs}$: time of arrival, with noise level lpha=0.002sr= 20, $m{q}=\{A,\ell\}$





(a) Proposed method

(b) $\ell = 20$

Comparison of inference results for different bases





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(b) $\ell_{\rm best} = 36$

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Sampling joint law $(\boldsymbol{\xi}, \boldsymbol{q})$...

Problem : MCMC fails to draw prior hyperparameters distribution



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Prior law of $\boldsymbol{\xi}$ according to \boldsymbol{q} (90%-confidence contour)



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Initial sampling : Metropolis–Hastings random walk with adapted covariance proposal

$$Y^{\star} := (\boldsymbol{\xi}^{\star}, \boldsymbol{q}^{\star}) \sim \mathcal{N}(Y^{(n)}, \widehat{C}),$$

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 \Rightarrow The random walk with adapted covariance proposal \widehat{C} needs to be adjusted along \boldsymbol{q} .

Presentation of adaptation



We want to consider a q-dependent sampling for ξ .

$$oldsymbol{q}^{\star} \sim \mathcal{N}(oldsymbol{q}^{(n)}, \widehat{C}_{oldsymbol{q}}), ext{ with } \widehat{C}_{oldsymbol{q}} \propto \mathbb{C} \mathrm{ov}\left(oldsymbol{q}^{(1)}, \dots, oldsymbol{q}^{(n)}
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 $oldsymbol{\xi}^{\star} \sim \mathcal{N}(oldsymbol{\xi}^{(n)}, S(oldsymbol{q}^{\star})), ext{ where } S(oldsymbol{q}) ext{ remains to define.}$

Three ideas are explained here:

- a simple scaling
- the use of the *conditional covariance*
- the use of a change of coordinates *preserving measure*

Objective: *restrict the movement along unfeasible directions*. At each iteration,

• consider current scaled empirical covariance proposal \widehat{C}



Illustration of the scaling process for two values of ℓ $_{\rm N.\ Polette}$ - $_{\rm MCM2023}$



Objective: *restrict the movement along unfeasible directions*. At each iteration,

• change of basis according to the prior $\Sigma(q)$ eigenelements



Illustration of the scaling process for two values of ℓ N. Polette - MCM2023 June 2023

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• return to physical space: propose according S(q)



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Objective: restrict the movement along unfeasible directions,

$$\forall u \in \mathbb{R}^r, \qquad \mathbb{V}_{\mathcal{S}(q)}(u) \lesssim \mathbb{V}_{\Sigma(q)}(u).$$

Approximation: focus on the prior covariance eigendirections. S(q) is the scaled empirical covariance of the ξ samples $\propto \mathbb{C}\mathrm{ov}(\xi^{(1)},\ldots,\xi^{(n)})$, scaled as follows

We want that, $\forall 1 \leq i \leq r$, $\mathbb{V}_{S(q)}(U_i(q)) \lesssim \mathbb{V}_{\Sigma(q)}(U_i(q))$,

where $(U_i(\boldsymbol{q}), \Lambda_{ii}(\boldsymbol{q}))$ are the eigenelements of the prior covariance $\Sigma(\boldsymbol{q})$.













(a) Marginalized ℓ prior samples via MCMC (no scaling)





(b) Marginalized ℓ prior samples via MCMC (scaling)

Remaining problems :

Scaling along prior eigendirections only + how to move in the right direction/set automatically to zero ?



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Resulting covariance proposal after burn-in phase



Marginalized ℓ prior samples via MCMC

- Surrogate building: expensive + order choice + decomposition at each step
- Surrogate can be non pertinent at non sampled space
- Still remains the problem of setting automatically to zero

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- Compute $p_{\text{post}}\left(f(\boldsymbol{\xi}^{\star})|\boldsymbol{d}^{\text{obs}}\right)$
- Metropolis–Hastings criterion to accept or not
- New iteration

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 - to preserve the prior Mahalanobis distance
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$$\boldsymbol{\xi}^{\star} = \underset{\eta}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left\| f(\overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}^{\star}) - f(\eta) \right\|^{2} = \underset{\eta}{\operatorname{argmin}} \overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}^{\star \top} \overline{\boldsymbol{\lambda}} \eta$$
(field distance)
s.t.
$$\overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}^{\star \top} \Sigma(\overline{\boldsymbol{q}})^{-1} \overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}^{\star} = \eta^{\top} \Sigma(\boldsymbol{q}^{\star})^{-1} \eta$$
(prior distance)



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- Symmetric proposal
- Decomposition of the covariance $\rightsquigarrow QCQO$ problem solving



Conclusion & perspectives

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- Change of measure allows uncertainties estimation while remaining tractable
- Next implementation : QCQO, reinference
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Thank you !

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Eigenvalues according kernel





Decreasing of eigenvalues according to length of correlation considered

 \Rightarrow the higher the length of correlation, the smaller the number of modes needed to explain the field: last coordinates are likely to be close to zero.

Variance according hyperparameter



Variance of K–L coordinates ξ_i according to ℓ .

 \Rightarrow the higher the length of correlation, the smaller the variance of last coordinates: they are likely to be close to zero.

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Results $\widehat{\mathbb{C}\mathrm{ov}}(\boldsymbol{\xi}|\boldsymbol{q})$ - zoom



Resulting covariance proposal after burn-in phase