Challenges in Dynamical Systems Inference:

New Approaches for Parameter and Uncertainty Estimation



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Outline

- 1 robust ODE/DDE solvers
- Ø dynamical systems parameter estimation
- ③ surrogate data
- 🕘 optimal experimental design

① robust lsfem solvers for



- ordinary & delay differential equations (ODE/DDE)
- initial & boundary value problems (IVP/BVP)
- differential algebraic equations (DAE)

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Example $y' = y - 2e^{-t}$, y(0) = 1 with exact solution $y(t) = e^{-t}$







1 Hénon-Heiles Hamiltonian system





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② parameter estimation problem





• $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ parameter

- $\mathbf{y}: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathcal{Y}$ model, e.g., ODE, DDE, PDE
- $\mathbf{m}: \mathcal{Y} \to \mathbb{R}^m$, projection onto data, e.g., ODE evaluated at discrete time points
- $\mathbf{d} \in \mathbb{R}^m$
- e.g., $\mathcal{J}(\mathbf{x}) = \|\mathbf{m}(\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{x})) \mathbf{d}\|_2^2$, where $\|\cdot\|_2$ Euclidean norm
- $\mathcal{R}: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$ regularization/prior knowledge (e.g., sparsity $\|\cdot\|_1$)
- Interpretation as MAP estimate in a Bayesian framework

RGINIA parameter estimation via principal differential analysis (PDA) (2) $\widehat{\mathbf{x}} = \arg\min \|\mathbf{m}(\mathbf{y}(t)) - \mathbf{d}\|_2^2$ subject to $\mathbf{y}'(t) = \mathbf{f}(t, \mathbf{y}(t); \mathbf{x}), \quad \mathbf{y}(t_0) = \mathbf{y}_0$ "derivation": M Chung, J Krueger, and M Pop. Identification of microbiota dynamics using robust parameter estimation methods. In: Mathematical Jim O Ramsay. Principal differential analysis: Data reduction by differential operators. In: Journal of the Royal Statistical Society. Series B A.A. Poyton, M.S. Varziri, K.B. McAuley, P.J. McLellan, and J.O. Ramsay, Parameter estimation in continuous-time dynamic models using principal differential analysis. In: Comput. Chem. Eng. 30,4 (2006), pp. 698-708. 8/41 mcchuna@vt.edu





$(\widehat{\mathbf{x}}, \widehat{\mathbf{q}}) = \arg\min \|\mathbf{m}(\mathbf{s}(t; \mathbf{q})) - \mathbf{d}\|_2^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{s}'(\mathbf{T}; \mathbf{q}) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{s}(\mathbf{T}; \mathbf{q}); \mathbf{x})\|_2^2$ subject to $\mathbf{s}(t_0) = \mathbf{y}_0$ x.a "derivation": 1 relax ODF constraint 2. restrict to parameterized finite function space 3. discretize $\mathbf{T} = [T_1, \ldots, T_M]^\top$ Chung, Krueger, and Pop 2017. Ramsay 1996. Povton, Varziri, McAuley, McLellan, and Ramsay 2006. 8/41 mcchund@vt edu

2 parameter estimation via principal differential analysis (PDA)

($\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \hat{\mathbf{q}}$) = $\underset{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{q}}{\operatorname{arg min}} \|\mathbf{m}(\mathbf{s}(t; \mathbf{q})) - \mathbf{d}\|_{2}^{2} + \lambda \|\mathbf{s}'(\mathbf{T}; \mathbf{q}) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{s}(\mathbf{T}; \mathbf{q}); \mathbf{x})\|_{2}^{2}$ subject to $\mathbf{s}(t_{0}) = \mathbf{y}_{0}$

"derivation":

- 1. relax ODE constraint
- 2. restrict to parameterized finite function space
- 3. discretize $\mathbf{T} = [T_1, \ldots, T_M]^\top$

advantages:

- simultaneous parameter and approximate ODE solve
- robustness in parameter estimates

Chung, Krueger, and Pop 2017.

Ramsay 1996.

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Consider the 4 state Lotka-Volterra system

$$\mathbf{y}' = \operatorname{diag}(\mathbf{y})(\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{A}\mathbf{y}), \qquad \mathbf{y}(0) = \mathbf{y}_0$$

with

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{bmatrix} 2\\1\\0\\-3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -0.6 & 0 & -0.2\\0.6 & 0 & -0.6 & -0.2\\0 & 0.6 & 0 & -0.2\\0.2 & 0.2 & 0.2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{y}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 5\\4\\3\\2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Goal: Estimating $\mathbf{x} = [\mathbf{r}; vec(\mathbf{A}); \mathbf{y}_0]$ give data.

② data recovery



Average relative error:

$$e_{\rm r} = \frac{1}{80} \sum_{j=1}^{80} \left| \frac{m_j(\mathbf{y}) - d_j}{d_j} \right|$$

Study 1 (0% noise): $e_{\rm r} \approx 0.0331$

Study 2 (up to 10% noise): $e_r \approx 0.0926$

Study 3 (up to 25% noise):

 $e_{\rm r} pprox 0.1511$



② intestinal microbiota (interaction matrix and comparison)





PDA (A) versus published interaction matrix (B)

- 1. Blautia
- 2. Barnesiella
- 3. Unclassified Mollicutes
- 4. Undefined Lachnospiraceae

5. Unclassified Lachnospiraceae
6. Coprobacillus
7. Other

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A Gaussian process is a collection of random variables g(t); any finite number $\{g(t_i)\}_{i=1}^m$ of which have a joint Gaussian distribution, i.e., for finite $\mathbf{t} = [t_1, \ldots, t_m]^\top \in \mathbb{R}^m$, the joint distribution is Gaussian,

 $g(\mathbf{t}) \sim \mathcal{N}([\mu(t_i)]_{i=1}^m, [\kappa(t_i, t_j)]_{i,j=1}^m)$



<u> 3 Gaussian process prior</u>







③ Gaussian process prior





squared exponential kernel $\kappa(t, \tilde{t}) = \tau^2 \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\ell^2} \left\|t - \tilde{t}\right\|_2^2\right)$ $(\tau = 1)$



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③ Gaussian process prior





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<u>③ conditional distribution/prediction</u>



joint distribution at ${f t}$ and ${f T}$:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{d} \\ \mathbf{g} \end{bmatrix} \sim \mathcal{N} \left(\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0}_m \\ \mathbf{0}_M \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{t}} & \mathbf{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{t}\mathbf{T}} \\ \mathbf{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{T}\mathbf{t}} & \mathbf{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{T}} \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

conditional (predictive) distribution

$$\mathbf{Y}(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{d}) \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}), \quad ext{with} \ \boldsymbol{\mu} = \mathbf{\Sigma_{Tt}} \mathbf{\Sigma_t}^{-1} \mathbf{d} \quad ext{and} \ \boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \mathbf{\Sigma_T} - \mathbf{\Sigma_{Tt}} \mathbf{\Sigma_t}^{-1} \mathbf{\Sigma_{tTT}}^{-1}$$





③ surrogate problem

For predictive Gaussian process $\mathbf{g} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma)$ for given data (t,d) and model \mathbf{y} solve

$$\widehat{\mathbf{x}} = \underset{\mathbf{x}}{\operatorname{arg\,min}} \|\mathbf{m}(\mathbf{y}(t, \mathbf{x})) - \mathbf{g}\|_{\Sigma^{-1}}^{2} + \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{x})$$

Algorithm: sampled GP weighted least squares input: model y, projection m, μ , Σ , initial guess \mathbf{x}_0 1: parallel for j = 1 to J do

2: sample \mathbf{g}_j from Gaussian process $\mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$

3: solve $\widehat{\mathbf{x}}_j = \arg\min_{\mathbf{x}} \|\mathbf{m}(\mathbf{y}(t, \mathbf{x})) - \mathbf{g}_j\|_{\mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1}}^2 + \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{x})$

4: end parallel for

output: $\{\widehat{\mathbf{x}}_j\}_{j=1}^J$

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<u>③ motivating example: Lotka-Volterra & model</u>





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<u>3 Lotka-Volterra UQ</u>





<u>③ motivating example: influenza virus data & model</u>



- T target cells
- I_1 and I_2 infected cells
- V virus
- β ``contact rate"
- κ rate (eclipse)

• ρ virus production rate

- c clearance rate
- δ density dependent clearance
- *K_d* half-saturation constant

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<u>③ influenza virus GP</u>





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<u>4 optimal experimental design framework</u>





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Bayes risk approach (average design)

$$\min_{\mathbf{p}\in\Omega} \quad \mathcal{J}(\mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E} \, \left\| \widehat{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{p}) - \mathbf{x}_{\mathrm{true}} \right\|_2^2 + \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{p}) \qquad \text{subject to}$$

$$\widehat{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{p}) = \underset{\mathbf{x}}{\operatorname{arg\,min}} \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\|\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{d}(\mathbf{p})\|_{\Gamma_{\varepsilon}^{-1}(\mathbf{p})}^{2}} + \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\|\mathbf{Lx}\|_{2}^{2}}^{\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{x})}$$

subject to
$$\, {\bf C}_{\rm e} {\bf x} - {\bf c}_{\rm e} = {\bf 0} \mbox{ and } {\bf C}_{\rm i} {\bf x} - {\bf c}_{\rm i} \geq {\bf 0} \, , \label{eq:constraint}$$

- $\mathbf{C}_{e}, \mathbf{C}_{i}, \mathbf{c}_{e}, \mathbf{c}_{i}$ constraints
- $\mathbf{p} \in \Omega$ design parameter (Ω set of feasible design parameter)
- \mathbb{E} expected value (sampling of expected value via training data $\mathbf{x}^j_{\text{true}}$, with $j=1,\ldots,M$)
- $\mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{p}}$ regularization (cost) on design parameter \mathbf{p}

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Chung and Haber 2012.



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$$\min_{\mathbf{p}\in\Omega} \quad \mathcal{J}(\mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E} \|\widehat{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{p}) - \mathbf{x}_{\text{true}}\|_2^2 + \beta ||\mathbf{p}||_1 \quad \text{subject to}$$

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<u>④ Exponential growth</u>





4 Logistic growth







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4 Lotka-Volterra





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④ intravenous glucose tolerance test (IVGTT)





🕘 glucose minimal model

Minimal Model $\dot{G}(t) = -x_1 + X(t)G(t) + x_1G_b$ $\dot{I}(t) = -\gamma \max(G(t) - h, 0)t - n(I(t) - I_b)$ $\dot{X}(t) = -x_2 X(t) + x_3 (I(t) - I_b)$ G, I, X blood glucose, plasma insulin, effective insulin G_{b} , I_{b} basal level of glucose and insulin γ pancreatic insulin release rate h pancreatic threshold *n* degradation rate of insulin x_1 alucose effectiveness x_2 degradation rate of effective insulin x_3 stimulation sensitivity of insulin

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④ IVGTT: sparsity vs. error





④ IVGTT: proposed design





4 tomography





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<u>4 tomography results: rectangles</u>





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<u> 4 tomography results: pentagons</u>





intuitive optimal angles [27, 63, 99, 135, 171] [25, 64, 99, 136, 171] (non-negative) [27, 62, 99, 134, 171] (box)

<u>4 tomography results: Shepp-Logan phantom</u>





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(4) conclusion & outlook

Take-home message

- flexible and robust differential equation solvers
- efficient parameter estimation method using PDA
- robust parameter estimation via surrogate data
- new computational framework for optimal experimental design

Outlook

- computational methods for finite element methods for ODE/DDE/DAE
- Gaussian processes for ODE PE, inverse problems, model reduction, missing data problems
- apply OED to various system setups

Thank you for your attention!

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