Extrinsic Gaussian Processes for Regression and Classification on Manifolds

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Motivations







(b) Surface normal vector



- DTI
- positive definite matrix
- Machine vision and medical diagnostics
- landmark-based shape space

- Surface
- Curves
- Spheres

Motivations

• Predictors not in Euclidean space but manifolds

Model

• Classification and regression with predictors on known manifolds

$$y_i = F(x_i) + \epsilon_i, \quad x_i \in M, y_i \in \mathbb{R}, F : M \to \mathbb{R}$$

- Binary/categorical response: classification
- Inference on F , prior $\Pi(F)$, posterior $\ \Pi(F|D)$
- GP: simple representation, tractability, flexibility for modeling; theoretical properties.
- Euclidean space --> manifolds

GP in manifolds

- $\omega(x)$ is a GP with mean function $\mu(x)$ and covariance kernel $K(\cdot,\cdot)$ for $x_1,\ldots,x_n\in M$
- Challenge: valid $K(\cdot, \cdot)$
- Idea (extrinsic GP):
 - Embed manifolds into Euclidean spaces $J: M \to \mathbb{R}^D, (D \ge dim(M))$
 - Extrinsic kernels on the image manifold $\tilde{M}: K_{ext}(x_1, x_2) = \tilde{K}(J(x_1), J(x_2))$

Embedding $J: M \to \mathbb{R}^D, (D \ge dim(M))$

- Smooth map: differential at each point is an injective map
 - Injective map: from the tangent space of M at x to the tangent space of \mathbb{R}^D at J(x)

embedding

- Homeomorphism between M and \tilde{M}
- Equivariant embedding: preserves a substantial amount of geometry

$$J(hp) = \phi(h)J(p), \quad h \in M, p \in M, \phi : H \to GL(D, \mathbb{R})$$

• Not unique

Posterior distribution

$$\Pi\left(U \mid (x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n)\right) = \frac{\int_U \prod_{i=1}^n N(y_i; F(x_i), \sigma^2) \pi_{\sigma^2} \Pi(dF)}{\int \prod_{i=1}^n N(y_i; F(x_i), \sigma^2) \pi_{\sigma^2} \Pi(dF)},$$
(7)

where U is a measurable set in the product space $\mathcal{M} \times (0, \infty)$ with \mathcal{M} denoting the space of all $\mathcal{M} \to \mathbb{R}$ regression functions.

For classification, a latent process $\omega(x)$ and link function L

$$F(x) = L(\omega(x))$$

Examples: Spheres

- Inclusion map $J: S^d \to \mathbb{R}^{d+1}$
- Equivariant w.r.t H = SO(d+1) (symmetry)
- Kernel: $K_{\text{ext}}(x, x') = \alpha \exp\left(-\beta \|J(x) J(x')\|^2\right) = \alpha \exp\left(-\beta \|x x'\|^2\right)$.



Figure 2: GP predictive results using spherical exponential kernel vs eGP with an extrinsic kernel. Truth is shown in red dashed lines and posterior mean estimates in blue.

Examples: Landmark-based shape space Σ_2^k

- Planar shapes Σ_2^k
- Veronese-Whitney embedding: $J: \Sigma_2^k \to S(k, \mathbb{C})$
- Equivariant w.r.t $H = SU(k) = \{A \in GL(k, \mathbb{C}), AA^* = I, \det(A) = I\},\$
- Kernel: $K_{ext}(x_1, x_2) = \alpha \exp(-\beta \rho^2(x_1, x_2)),$

 $\rho(x_1, x_2) = \|J(x_1) - J(x_2)\|.$

Examples: positive definite matrices

- Log-map embedding: $log: SPD(3) \rightarrow Sym(3)$
- Equivariant w.r.t $GL(3,\mathbb{R})$
- kernel $K_{ext}(x_1, x_2) = \alpha \exp(-\beta \rho^2(x_1, x_2)),$

 $\rho(A_1, A_2) = \|\log(A_1) - \log(A_2)\|,$

Examples: Stiefel manifolds $V_k(\mathbb{R}^m)$ & Grassmann manifolds $Gr_k(\mathbb{R}^m)$

Grassmann manifolds

- Embedding: $J: Gr_k(\mathbb{R}^m) \to \mathbb{R}^{m^2}$ $J(\sigma(X)) = XX'$ $\sigma(X) = X \cdot O(k)$
- Equivariant w.r.t. H = O(m)
- Kernel: $K_{ext}(x_1, x_2) = \alpha \exp(-\beta \rho^2(x_1, x_2)),$

$$\rho(\sigma(X_1), \sigma(X_2)) = \|X_1 X_1' - X_2 X_2'\|, \qquad \sigma(X) = X \cdot O(k)$$

Stiefel manifolds

- Inclusion map: $J: V_k(\mathbb{R}^m) \to \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}$
- Equivariant embedding

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M

X

U

Properties of eGPs

• Mean square differentiability of stochastic process $\omega(x)$

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$$\mathbb{E}\left[\left(\frac{w(\gamma(a)) - w(x)}{a} - D_v w\right)^2\right] \to 0.$$

- Proposition 2: differentiable μ , K is of a class C^2 --> ω MS differentiable at $\,x$
- Proposition 3: MS derivative $D_V \omega$ has mean func. $D_V \mu$, Cov func. $D_{V^{(1)}} D_{V^{(2)}} K$
- Corollary 1: $\mu \in C^n, K \in C^{2n}$ n-times MS differentiable.
- Important for interpolation and prediction
- E.g. pull $\omega \in \mathbb{R}^D$ back to $J^* \omega \in M$ with $(J^* w)(x) = w(J(x))$, for $x \in M$.
- Posterior contraction rates adapt to dim of underlying M

$$\epsilon_n = n^{-s/(2s+d)} (\log n)^{d+1}$$

Discussions

- Other manifolds? Space beyond manifolds?
- Unknown manifolds?
- Other criterion for embedding?
- Comparison between extrinsic and intrinsic?
- Manifold-valued response? (Lin et al., 2017)