

RKHS associated with invertible operator

■ Native space

$$\mathcal{H}_L = \{f : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } \|f\|_{\mathcal{H}_L} \triangleq \|Lf\|_{L_2(\mathbb{R}^d)} < \infty\} \subseteq L_2(\mathbb{R}^d)$$

Coercive regularisation operator: $L : \mathcal{H}_L \rightarrow L_2(\mathbb{R}^d)$

$$c\|f\|_{L_2(\mathbb{R}^d)} \leq \|Lf\|_{L_2(\mathbb{R}^d)} = \|f\|_{\mathcal{H}_L}$$

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coercivity
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continuity $\Leftrightarrow$ specifies a valid norm

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{Existence of (stable) inverse operator: } L^{-1} : L_2(\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_L$$

■ Inner product: $\langle f, g \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_L} = \langle Lf, Lg \rangle = \underbrace{\langle (L^*L)f, g \rangle}_{f^* \in \mathcal{H}'_L}$

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Determination of reproducing kernel

$$h(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = R\{\delta(\cdot - \mathbf{y})\}(\mathbf{x}) \quad \text{with} \quad R = (L^*L)^{-1} : \mathcal{H}'_L \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_L$$

■ Reproducing kernel property

(i) $h(\cdot, \mathbf{x}_0) \in \mathcal{H}_L$ for all $\mathbf{x}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$

(ii) $f(\mathbf{x}_0) = \langle h(\cdot, \mathbf{x}_0), f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_L}$ for all $f \in \mathcal{H}_L$ and $\mathbf{x}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$.

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\langle h(\cdot, \mathbf{x}_0), h(\cdot, \mathbf{y}_0) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_L} = h(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{y}_0)}$$

■ Explicit determination for LSI (=convolution) operator

$$\hat{L}(\omega) = \mathcal{F}\{L\delta\}(\omega): \text{ frequency response of operator}$$

$$h(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \rho_{L^*L}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \quad \text{where} \quad \rho_{L^*L}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{F}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{|\hat{L}(\omega)|^2} \right\}(\mathbf{x})$$

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Regularized least-squares fit

■ Interpolation problem

Input: set of (potentially noisy) data points: $f(\mathbf{x}_m) \approx y_m, \quad m = 1, \dots, M$

$$f_{\text{opt}} = \arg \min_{f \in \mathcal{H}_L} \left(\sum_{m=1}^M (y_m - f(\mathbf{x}_m))^2 + \lambda \|L f\|_{L_2}^2 \right)$$

■ Outcome of representer theorem

Unique solution $f_{\text{opt}} \in \text{span}\{h(\cdot, \mathbf{x}_m)\}_{m=1}^M$

$$\Leftrightarrow \exists \mathbf{a} = (a_m) \in \mathbb{R}^M \quad \text{s.t.} \quad f_{\text{opt}}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{m=1}^M a_m h(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_m)$$

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Your task(s)

- Show that f_{opt} is a L^*L -splines with knots at $\{\mathbf{x}_m\}$
- Derive an (numerical) algorithm for finding the optimal coefficients $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_M)$
- Derive $h(\cdot, \mathbf{x})$ for your favourite operator L
- Implement the algorithm and present results of your data fitting (plots) illustrating the effect of the regularisation parameter λ
- **Extra:** Derive a B-spline based algorithm for $\{x_m\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ (cardinal setting)

■ Controlled generation of data

- Generate a random set of M points $x_m \in [0, T]$ (uniform poisson distribution)
- Generate the samples $z_m = f(x_m)$ of a zero-mean Gaussian process with correlation function $\mathbb{E}\{f(x)f(y)\} = h(x, y)$
Hint: $\mathbf{z} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{C})$ with $[\mathbf{C}]_{m,n} = h(x_m, x_n)$
- Generate noisy data by adding i.i.d. Gaussian noise: $y_m = f(x_m) + \epsilon$.

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