# Advanced Bayesian Computation Week 8 

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## Random Projected Gaussian Process: Banerjee et al., 2013

- We have already shown one technique to select knots.
- However it was computationally cumbersome.
- What if we completely avoid the choice of knots.
- $\boldsymbol{w}=\left(w\left(\boldsymbol{s}_{1}\right), \ldots, w\left(\boldsymbol{s}_{n}\right)\right)^{\prime}, \boldsymbol{\Phi}$ is an $n^{*} \times n$ random matrix.
- $\tilde{w}(\boldsymbol{s})=\mathrm{E}[w(\boldsymbol{s}) \mid \boldsymbol{\Phi} \boldsymbol{w}]=\boldsymbol{c}(\boldsymbol{s})^{\prime} \boldsymbol{\Phi}^{\prime}\left(\boldsymbol{\Phi} \boldsymbol{C}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \boldsymbol{\Phi}^{\prime}\right)^{-1} \boldsymbol{\Phi} \boldsymbol{w}$.
- $\boldsymbol{c}(\boldsymbol{s})=\left(C\left(\boldsymbol{s}, \boldsymbol{s}_{1}, \boldsymbol{\theta}\right), \ldots, C\left(\boldsymbol{s}, \boldsymbol{s}_{n}, \boldsymbol{\theta}\right)\right)^{\prime}$.
- $\tilde{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{s}) \stackrel{i n d}{\sim} N\left(0, C(\boldsymbol{s}, \boldsymbol{s}, \boldsymbol{\theta})-\boldsymbol{c}(\boldsymbol{s})^{\prime} \boldsymbol{\Phi}^{\prime}\left(\boldsymbol{\Phi} \boldsymbol{C}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \boldsymbol{\Phi}^{\prime}\right)^{-1} \boldsymbol{\Phi} \boldsymbol{c}(\boldsymbol{s})\right)$.

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- They showed that the covariance matrix is better conditioned under this idea than modified predictive process.
- They have also proposed some ideas to design the matrix $\boldsymbol{\Phi}$ rather than randomly selecting entries of $\boldsymbol{\Phi}$.


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 //web.mit.edu/cocosci/isomap/datasets.html)- 698 images of an artificial face.
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(1) Tree based approaches: CART (Breiman, 1984), Random Forest (Breiman, 2001) (A, B, C), BART (Chipman et al., 2008) (B, C), Treed GP (Gramacy et al., 2007) (B, C).
(2) Two stage approaches: clustering high dimensional predictors (Belkin et al., 2003) followed by independent model fitting in each cluster (A, B).
(3) Model Based Full Bayesian approaches: GP latent variable models (Lawrence, 2005), PCA for mixture models (Chen et al., 2010) (C).

## Compressed Gaussian Process



- $\boldsymbol{\Psi}=\left(\left(\Psi_{i j}\right)\right), \Psi_{i j} \sim N(0,1)$ : Choice motivated by the popular compressed sensing literature (Ji et al., 20018).
- $\boldsymbol{x}=\boldsymbol{z}+\boldsymbol{\delta}, \boldsymbol{z} \in \mathscr{M}, \boldsymbol{\delta} \sim N\left(\mathbf{0}, \tau^{2} \boldsymbol{I}_{p}\right)$.


## Compressed GP model

$$
\begin{aligned}
y & =\mu(\boldsymbol{\Psi} \boldsymbol{x})+\epsilon, \epsilon \sim N\left(0, \sigma^{2}\right) \\
\mu(\cdot) \mid \sigma^{2} & \sim G P\left(0, \sigma^{2} K(\cdot, \cdot, \phi)\right) \\
K\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}, \boldsymbol{x}_{j}, \phi\right) & =\exp \left(-\phi\left\|\boldsymbol{x}_{i}-\boldsymbol{x}_{j}\right\|^{2}\right)
\end{aligned}
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- Following Banerjee et al. (2013) we choose

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\tilde{\mu}(\boldsymbol{\Psi} \boldsymbol{x})=E(\mu(\boldsymbol{\Psi} \boldsymbol{x}) \mid \boldsymbol{\Phi} \mu(\boldsymbol{\Psi} \boldsymbol{X}))
$$

$\boldsymbol{\Phi}$ is an $n^{*} \times n$ matrix, $\Phi_{i j} \sim N(0,1)$.

- Each MCMC iteration requires $n^{*} \times n^{*}$ matrix inversion.
- $n^{*} \ll n$ implies havoc computational gain.


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Under what condition it shrinks fast enough?
Ordinary GP regression shrinks at the rate $n^{-s /(2 s+p)}$.

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## Isomap face data analysis: Set up

- 20 random splitting of the data into 648 training and 50 test samples.
- response is standardized to have unit variance.
- To deal with a more challenging case, $N\left(0, \tau^{2}\right)$ noise is added to each of 4096 pixels to form noisy predictors.
- CGP model for large $n$ is fitted to the data.
- Predictive inference is carried out with summary measures mean squared prediction error (MSPE), coverage and length of $95 \%$ predictive interval.


## Isomap face data analysis: Competitors

## Frequentist Competitors

Compressed Random Forest (CRF)
Distributed Supervised Learning (DSL)

## Isomap face data analysis: Competitors



- Compress high dimensional predictors and apply RF and BART on compressed predictors.


## Computation Time (in seconds): CGP is the fastest



## Mean Squared Prediction error (MSPE): Compressed methods perform best

$y_{1}, \ldots, y_{k} \rightarrow$ observed, $y_{1}^{*}, \ldots, y_{k}^{*} \rightarrow$ predicted

$$
M S P E=\frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^{k}\left(y_{i}-y_{i}^{*}\right)^{2}
$$

| $\tau$ | CGP | GP | CBART | CRF | DSL | 2GP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0.03 | $0.14_{0.059}$ | $0.92_{0.074}$ | $0.06_{0.005}$ | $0.05_{0.007}$ | $0.68_{0.023}$ | $0.95_{0.062}$ |
| 0.06 | $0.09_{0.006}$ | $0.79_{0.056}$ | $0.09_{0.007}$ | $0.09_{0.008}$ | $0.75_{0.015}$ | $0.94_{0.041}$ |
| 0.10 | $0.12_{0.008}$ | $0.83_{0.077}$ | $0.12_{0.005}$ | $0.13_{0.011}$ | $0.54_{0.014}$ | $0.92_{0.013}$ |

Table: MSPE and standard error (computed using 20 samples) for all the competitors over 50 replications

## Coverage and Length of 95\% Predictive Intervals



Figure: coverage and length of 95\% PI's for CGP, GP, CBART, CRF. 95\% CI's are shown at each point

## Gaussian process with compactly supported correlation functions

- Under Matern correlation kernel, the correlation between two points is positive even when they are sufficiently far apart.
- In practice, one may safely assume that two observations are not correlated to each other if they are sufficiently far apart.
- How to impose that restriction?
- What if we define a correlation kernel $C_{\nu}\left(\boldsymbol{s}, \boldsymbol{s}^{\prime}\right)$ which is 0 when $\left\|\boldsymbol{s}-\boldsymbol{s}^{\prime}\right\|>\nu$.
- These are known as tapered correlation kernels.
- Wendland (1995) proposed tapered correlation kernels and later Gneting (2002) formalized the concept.


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- Kaufman et al. (2009) proposed

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y(\boldsymbol{s})=\boldsymbol{x}(\boldsymbol{s})^{\prime} \boldsymbol{\beta}+w(\boldsymbol{s}) \eta(\boldsymbol{s})+\epsilon(\boldsymbol{s}), \epsilon(\boldsymbol{s}) \sim N\left(0, \tau^{2}\right)
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- $w(\cdot) \sim G P\left(0, C_{\theta}(\cdot, \cdot)\right), \eta(\cdot) \sim G P\left(0, C_{\nu}(\cdot, \cdot)\right)$.
- The covariance matrix of $\boldsymbol{y}=\left(y\left(s_{1}\right), \ldots, y\left(s_{n}\right)\right)^{\prime}$ becomes sparse.
- Use sparse matrix solvers to efficiently compute inverse.
- It was proved theoretically that this model will asymptotically provide the same inference as the full Gaussian process model without tapering if the tapering range $\nu$ is chosen properly.
- In practice, we do not know how to choose $\nu$.
- $\nu$ acts as a tuning parameter that is adjusted based on the available computational resources.

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MPP side Recall the model for modified predictive process

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## Theorem on Smoothness (Guhaniyogi et al., 2012)

With matern correlation function having smoothness $m$,
1 Predictive Process model is infinitely mean square differentiable except at the set of knot points $\mathscr{S}^{*}$.
2 Modified Predictive Process is not mean square continuous at any point.
3 Tapered Predictive Process is $\min (m, k)$-times mean square differentiable except at $\mathscr{S}^{*}$, where $C_{\nu}(\cdot)$ is k-times differentiable.

## Results

|  | True | Non-spatial | PP | Modified PP | Tapered PP |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\beta_{0}$ | 8.25 | $8.26(8.15,8.27)$ | $10.83(9.29,12.60)$ | $9.21(7.83,10.97)$ | $8.43(7.20,9.64)$ |
| $\sigma^{2}$ | 6 | - | $8.95(2.68,15.81)$ | $5.07(3.44,7.32)$ | $4.06(3.12,5.91)$ |
| $\tau^{2}$ | 0.5 | $3.59(3.30,3.88)$ | $2.20(2.02,2.40)$ | $.73(.39,1.17)$ | $0.43(0.34,0.55)$ |
| $\phi$ | 4 | - | $2.78(2.32,3.62)$ | $2.73(2.23,5.38)$ | $4.09(2.61,5.77)$ |
| G | - | 3959.95 | 2397.21 | 347.16 | 146.72 |
| P | - | 3943.83 | 2502.70 | 1471.05 | 858.04 |
| D | - | 7903.79 | 4899.91 | 1818.22 | 1004.76 |
| $p_{D}$ | - | 1.95 | 31.79 | 731.42 | 1010.30 |
| DIC | - | 2509.32 | 2000.50 | 1628.88 | 1370.06 |

