

# Kriging-based prediction of probability measures

## Application in numerical simulation for nuclear safety studies

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**Goal : Build a fast-evaluating model (metamodel) to predict the output and thus create new data for the study of the phenomenon**

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# Ordinary kriging in $\mathbb{R}$ [1]

In this case, the computation code can be written as an unknown function:

$$f: \mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

and we consider the observations of  $f$  as realizations of a **spatially related** random process  $\{\mathbf{Y}(x), x \in \mathcal{D}\}$ . We denote by  $(y(x_1), \dots, y(x_n))$  the observations.

## Assumptions

- isotropic
- stationary
- unknown constant mean

# BLUP

Given  $(\mathbf{Y}(x_1), \dots, \mathbf{Y}(x_n))$  coming from the stochastic process, the ordinary Kriging estimator of  $\mathbf{Y}$  at a new point  $x^\star \in \mathcal{D}$  is the Best Linear Unbiased Predictor (BLUP) written as:

$$\hat{\mathbf{Y}}(x^\star) = \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{\lambda}_i \mathbf{Y}(x_i) \quad (1)$$

where

$$\bar{\lambda} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\lambda=(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)} \left\{ \mathbb{E} \left[ |\mathbf{Y}(x^\star) - \hat{\mathbf{Y}}_\lambda(x^\star)|^2 \right], \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i = 1 \right\}, \quad (2)$$

An estimation of  $y(x^\star)$  denoted  $\hat{y}(x^\star)$  is therefore given by (1) when replacing  $\mathbf{Y}(x_i)$  by  $y(x_i)$ . This estimation can also be interpreted as a barycenter:

$$\hat{y}(x^\star) = \operatorname{argmin}_{y \in \mathbb{R}} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{\lambda}_i |y(x_i) - y|^2 \right\}. \quad (3)$$



# Semivariogram

The spatial correlation can be obtained by estimating the semivariogram:

$$\gamma(\|x - x'\|) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E} \left[ \|\mathbf{Y}(x) - \mathbf{Y}(x')\|^2 \right]$$

Experimental semivariogram:

$$\gamma_{exp}(h) = \frac{1}{2 \text{Card}(N(h))} \sum_{(m,n) \in N(h)} \|\mathbf{Y}(x_m) - \mathbf{Y}(x_n)\|^2$$

with  $N(h) = \{(m, n) \in \{0, \dots, N-1\}^2, h - \epsilon \leq \|x_m - x_n\|_2 \leq h + \epsilon\}$  ( $\epsilon$  depends on the problem)

## Matern semivariogram models

The candidates for fitting models are classic semivariogram models like Matern functions:

$$\gamma_{\sigma,l,\nu}(h) = \sigma^2 \left( 1 - \frac{2^{1-\nu}}{\Gamma(\nu)} \left( \sqrt{2\nu} \frac{h}{l} \right)^\nu K_\nu \left( \sqrt{2\nu} \frac{h}{l} \right) \right)$$

where :

- $\sigma^2$  is the standard deviation,
- $\nu$  is the smoothness parameter,
- $l$  is the length-scale parameter,
- $K_\nu$  is a modified Bessel function,
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## Optimisation methods

Least squared, Cross Validation,...

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By introducing a Lagrange multiplier  $\alpha$ , we can show that  $\bar{\lambda}$  is the solution of the following system:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Sigma & \mathbb{1}_n \\ \mathbb{1}_n^T & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda \\ \alpha \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k^\star \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $\Sigma$  is the  $n \times n$  matrix with  $\Sigma_{i,j} = \gamma(\|x_i - x_j\|)$ ,  $k^\star$  is the column vector of size  $n$  with  $(k^\star)_i = \gamma(\|x_i - x^\star\|)$  and  $\mathbb{1}_n$  is the column vector of ones.

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# Ordinary Kriging in $\mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R})$ [2]

$$\mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R}) = \left\{ \mu \text{ proba measure} \mid \int_{\mathbb{R}} x^2 d\mu(x) < \infty \right\}$$

Consider

$$f: \mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R})$$

We extend the barycenter construction from the real case

$$\hat{\mu}(x^*) = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mu \in \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R})} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{\lambda}_i W_2^2(\mu(x_i), \mu) \right\}, \quad (4)$$

where:

$$\bar{\lambda} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\lambda=(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)} \left\{ \mathbb{E} \left[ W_2^2(\mu(x^*), \hat{\mu}(x^*))^2 \right], \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \lambda_i = 1 \right\}. \quad (5)$$

## Wasserstein distance[3]

Second order Wasserstein distance:

$$W_2(\mu, \nu) = \inf_{\pi \in \Pi(\mu, \nu)} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}} \|x - y\|^2 d\pi(x, y) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

In 1D ( $\mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R})$ ), the Wasserstein distance of order 2 can be written:

$$W_2(\mu, \nu) = \left( \int_0^1 |F^{-1}(t) - G^{-1}(t)|^2 dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

where  $F^{-1}$  and  $G^{-1}$  are the quantile functions of  $\mu$  and  $\nu$

These statements allow us to introduce a new linear predictor based on quantile functions.

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- We can estimate the model parameters by cross validation with the LOO MSE criterion :

$$\text{MSE}_{\text{LOO}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^1 \left( Q_{\mu(x_i)}(\xi) - \hat{Q}_{\mu(x_i)}^{(-i)}(\xi) \right)^2 d\xi. \quad (9)$$

- Extension of virtual cross validation formulas for quantile functions.

## Extension of virtual cross validation formulas

### Proposition

Let  $\mathbf{Y}$  be a stochastic process with values in  $\mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R})$  with unknown constant mean, its semivariogram is denoted by  $\gamma^W$ . Let  $\mathbf{Y}(x_1), \dots, \mathbf{Y}(x_n)$  be observations of the process,  $(Q_1, \dots, Q_n)$  the quantile functions associated with the observation and  $(\Sigma_w)_{i,j} = \gamma^W(\|x_i - x_j\|)$ . Then  $\forall \xi \in [0, 1]$  and  $\forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  we have:

$$Q_i(\xi) - \hat{Q}_i(\xi) = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\tilde{\Sigma}_{ij}}{\tilde{\Sigma}_{i,i}} Q_j(\xi) \quad (10)$$

with:

- $\tilde{\Sigma} = \Sigma_w^{-1} - \Sigma_w^{-1} \mathbb{1}_n (\mathbb{1}_n^t \Sigma_w^{-1} \mathbb{1}_n)^{-1} \mathbb{1}_n^t \Sigma_w^{-1}$
- $\hat{Q}_i$  is the estimator of  $Q_i$  based on all the other observations.

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# Application in reflooding studies for nuclear safety

## Loss of primary coolant accident

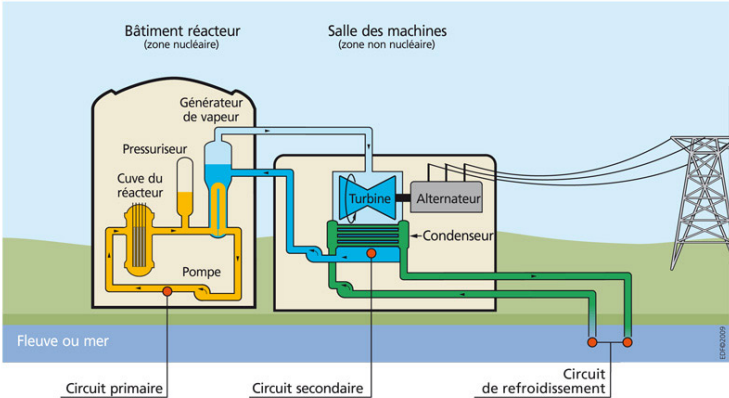


Figure 1: Scheme of a nuclear plant

# Application in reflooding studies for nuclear safety

DRACCAR : Déformation et Renoyage d'un Assemblage de Crayon de Combustibles pendant un Accident de Refroidissement (ASNR software)



Figure 2: DRACCAR Process

Quantities of interest

- Average temperature
- 95% quantile
- Entire distribution (error measured with the wasserstein distance)

# Models

**Model based on ordinary kriging in  $\mathbb{R}$**  (prediction of the map then computation of the quantities of interest)

- Principal Component Analysis over the 100 discretization points of the maps [6]
- Kriging on the first three components
- Method for semivariogram estimation: Max likelihood under Gaussian assumption (model 1)

# Models

## Models based on ordinary kriging in $\mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R})$ (prediction of the distribution)

- Transform temperature maps into histograms
- Kriging based on quantile functions
- Method for semivariogram estimation:
  - Least squared with empirical semivariogram and positives weights (model 3)
  - Least squared with empirical semivariogram and no constraints on the weights (model 4)
  - Cross validation (model 5)



# Results

- Model 1 : Ordinary kriging in  $\mathbb{R}$   
variogram parameters optimisation :  
Max likelihood
- Model 2 : Ordinary kriging in  $\mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R})$   
variogram parameters optimisation :  
Least squared +  $\lambda > 0$
- Model 3 : Same + no constraints on  $\lambda$
- Model 4: Ordinary kriging + Cross  
validation

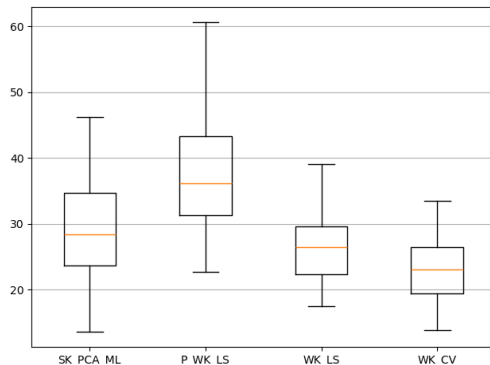


Figure 3: Boxplots of  $RMSE_{\text{mean}}$  for each model.

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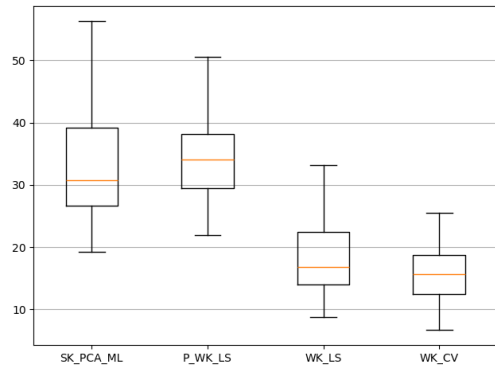


Figure 4: Boxplots of  $\text{RMSE}_{q95}$  for each model.

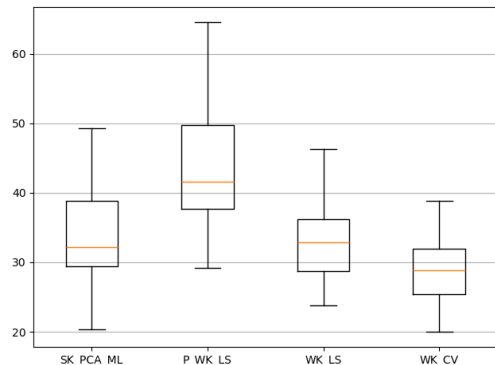


Figure 5: Boxplots of  $\text{RMSE}_W$  for each model.

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# Conclusion

- We proposed an extension of kriging for probability measures
- We also extended the virtual cross validation formulas for quantile functions
- These methods produce better results on the prediction of statistical parameters in thermohydraulic studies

# Perspectives

- Consider anisotropic models
- Work on a new set of data
- Implement 2D Wasserstein Barycenters

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