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# **Introduction to kriging**

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1. Introduction to kriging (R. Le Riche)

- 1.1. Gaussian Processes
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Context : scalar measurements  $(y_1,..., y_n)$ at *n* positions  $(x^1, ..., x^n)$  in a *d*-dimensional space  $X \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ 

What can be said about possible measures at any *x* using probabilities ? (Krige, 1951; Matheron, 1963)

Here, kriging for regression.

Kriging = a family of metamodels (surrogate) with embedded uncertainty model.





#### **Random processes**

**Repeat the random event**



Ex : three events instances, three *y(x)*'s. They are different, yet bear strong similarities. **Each** *Y(x)* **follows a Gaussian law**

$$
Y(x) \sim \mathbf{N}(\mu(x), C(x,x))
$$

and,

$$
\nabla \mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} x^1 \\ \vdots \\ x^n \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbf{X}^n \subset \mathbb{R}^{d \times n} , \mathbf{Y} = \begin{pmatrix} Y(x^1) \\ \vdots \\ Y(x^n) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} Y_1 \\ \vdots \\ Y_n \end{pmatrix} \sim N(\mu, \mathbf{C})
$$

$$
\mathbf{C}_{ij} = C(x^i, x^j)
$$

with probability density function (multi-Normal law),

$$
p(\mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2} \det^{1/2}(\mathbf{C})} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{\mu})^T \mathbf{C}^{-1}(\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{\mu})\right)
$$

Note : *C* is called Gram matrix in the SVM class (J.-M. Bourinet)

### **Gaussian processes (illustration)**



*n = 3*

*Cij*'s covariances between  $Y_i$  and  $Y_j$ (linear couplings)

Other possible illustration : contour lines of *p(y)* as ellipses with principal axes as eigenvectors/values of *C-1*

### **Special case : no spatial covariance**



To plot GP trajectories (in 1 and 2Ds), perform the eigen analysis

 $C = U D^2 U^T$  and then notice  $Y = \mu + U D E$ ,  $E ~ \sim N(0, I)$ 

( prove that  $EY = \mu$  and  $Cov(Y) = C$ ,

+ a Gaussian vector is fully determined by its 2 first moments )

#### **In R,**

```
Ceig <- eigen(C)
y <- mu + Ceig$vectors %*% diag(sqrt(Ceig$values)) 
                       %*% matrix(rnorm(n))
```
( Cf. previous illustrations, functions plotted with large *n*'s)

More efficient implementation : cf. Carsten Proppe class, sl. "Discretization of random processes"

How do we build  $\boldsymbol{C}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$  and account for the data points (  $x^{i}$  ,  $y_{i}$  ) ?  $\rightarrow$  Start with C.

The **covariance function**, a.k.a. **kernel**,

$$
Cov(Y(x), Y(x')) = C(x, x')
$$

is only a function of *x* and *x' ,* 

$$
C\;:\; X\times X\to\mathbb{R}
$$

The kernel defines the covariance matrix through

$$
\boldsymbol{C}_{ij} = C(x^i, x^j)
$$

All functions  $C$  :  $\mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d$ →ℝ are **not** valid kernels. Kernels must yield **positive semidefinite** covariance matrices, *C* :

```
\forall u \in \mathbb{R}^n, u^T C u \geq 0
```
( but  $C(x,x') \leq 0$  may happen )

Functional view (cf. Mercer's theorem) : let  $\phi_i$  be square integrable eigenfunctions of *x* and  $\lambda$ <sub>i</sub>  $\geq$  0 the associated eigenvalues,

 $C(x, x') = \sum$ *i*=1 *N*  $\lambda_i$ φ $_i$  $(x)$ φ $_i$  $(x')$  ,  $N$ =∞ but finite for degenerate kernels

Interpretation : kernels actually work in an *N* - (possibly infinite) dimensional feature space where a point is  $(\phi_1(x), \dots, \phi_N(x))^T$  The covariance function depends only on  $\tau = x-x'$ , but not on the position in space

$$
Cov(Y(x), Y(x')) = C(x, x') = C(x-x') = C(\tau)
$$
  

$$
C(0) = \sigma^2, C(\tau) = \sigma^2 R(\tau)
$$
 (*R* the correlation)

Example : the squared exponential covariance function (Gaussian)

$$
Cov(Y(x), Y(x')) = C(x-x') = \sigma^2 exp\left(-\sum_{i=1}^d \frac{|x_i - x_i'|^2}{2\theta_i^2}\right)
$$

$$
= \sigma^2 \prod_{i=1}^d exp\left(-\frac{|\tau_i|^2}{2\theta_i^2}\right)
$$

Note :  $\theta_i$  is a length scale  $\theta_i \equiv 0$  bandwidth (SVM class)  $\theta_i \equiv 1/\gamma$ 

### **Gaussian kernel, illustration**

$$
Cov(Y(x), Y(x')) = C(x-x') = \sigma^2 exp\left(-\sum_{i=1}^{d} \frac{|x_i - x_i'|^2}{2\theta_i^2}\right)
$$



The regularity and frequency content of the trajectories is controlled by the  $\,$  covariance functions. The  $\theta_i$ 's act as length scales.

# **Regularity of covariance functions**

For stationary processes,

the trajectories *y(x)* are *p* times differentiable (in the mean square sense) if *C(*τ*)* is *2p* times differentiable at τ*=0*.

 $\rightarrow$  The properties of  $C(\tau)$  at  $\tau=0$  define the regularity of the process.

Expl : trajectories with Gaussian kernels are infinitely differentiable (very – unrealistically ? – smooth)

### **Recycling covariance functions**

The product of kernels is a kernel,

$$
C(x, x') = \prod_{i=1}^{N} C_i(x, x')
$$

(expl, *d>1* **kernels** like the Gaussian kernel)

The sum of kernels is a kernel,

$$
C(x, x') = \sum_{i=1}^{N} C_i(x, x')
$$

Let  $W(x) = a(x) Y(x)$ , where  $a(x)$  is a deterministic function. Then,  $Cov(W(x), W(x')) = a(x)C(x, x')a(x')$ 

(the ones implemented in the DiceKriging R package)

General form, 
$$
C(x, x') = \sigma^2 \prod_{i=1}^d R(|x_i - x'|_i)
$$
  
\nGaussian,  $R(\tau) = \exp\left(-\frac{\tau^2}{2\theta^2}\right)$  (infinitely differentiable trajectories)  
\nMatérn  $v = 5/2$ ,  $R(\tau) = \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{5}|\tau|}{\theta} + \frac{5\tau^2}{3\theta^2}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{\sqrt{5}|\tau|}{\theta}\right)$  (twice diff. tr.)  
\nMatérn  $v = 3/2$ ,  $R(\tau) = \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}|\tau|}{\theta}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}|\tau|}{\theta}\right)$  (once diff. tr.)  
\nPower-exponential,  $R(\tau) = \exp\left(-\frac{|\tau|^p}{\theta}\right)$ ,  $0 < p \le 2$ 

(tr. not diff. except for  $p=2$ )

Matérn ν*=5/2* is the default choice.

They are functions of *d+1* hyperparameters :

 $\sigma$  and the  $\theta_i$ 's to learn from data.

Our first use of the observations 
$$
(X, Y)
$$
  
where  $X = \begin{pmatrix} x^1 \\ \vdots \\ x^n \end{pmatrix}$  and  $Y = \begin{pmatrix} Y(x^1) \\ \vdots \\ Y(x^n) \end{pmatrix}$ 

Three paths to selecting hyperparameters ( σ and the θ*<sup>i</sup>* 's ) : maximum likelihood, cross-validation, Bayesian. (discussed here)

**Current statistical model** :  $Y(x) \sim N(\mu(x), C(x, x))$ 

equivalently,  $Y(x) = \mu(x) + Z(x)$ 

where  $\mu(x)$  known (deterministic) and  $Z(x) \sim N(0, C(x, x))$ 

## **Maximum of likelihood estimate (1/2)**

**Likelihood** : the probability of observing the observations as a function of the hyperparameters

$$
L(\sigma, \theta) = p(y|\sigma, \theta) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2} \det^{1/2}(\mathbf{C})} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{\mu})^T \mathbf{C}^{-1}(\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{\mu})\right)
$$

where 
$$
C_{ij} = C(x^i, x^j; \sigma, \theta) = \sigma^2 R(x^i, x^j; \theta)
$$
  
and  $\mu_i = \mu(x^i)$ 

$$
\underset{\sigma,\theta}{\max}\,L\left(\sigma,\theta\right)\;\Leftrightarrow\;\underset{\sigma,\theta}{\min}\,\underset{\sigma,\theta}{\overbrace{-\log L\left(\sigma,\theta\right)}}
$$

Note : compare the likelihood  $L(\sigma,\theta)$  to the regularized loss function of the SVM class,  $L(σ,θ) = reg_terns(σ,θ) × exp(-loss function(σ,θ))$ 

# **Maximum of likelihood estimate (2/2)**

mLL(
$$
\sigma
$$
, $\theta$ ) =  $\frac{n}{2}$ log(2 $\pi$ )+nlog( $\sigma$ )+ $\frac{1}{2}$ log(det(**R**))+ $\frac{\sigma^{-2}}{2}$ (**y**- $\mu$ )<sup>T</sup> **R**<sup>-1</sup>(**y**- $\mu$ )  
 $\frac{\partial mLL}{\partial \sigma}$  = 0  $\Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n}(\mathbf{y}-\mu)$ <sup>T</sup> **R**( $\theta$ )<sup>-1</sup>( $\mathbf{y}-\mu$ )

However, the calculations cannot be carried out analytically for  $\theta$ .

So, numerically, minimize the "concentrated" likelihood,

$$
\min_{\theta \in [\theta^{\min}, \theta^{\max}]} mLL(\hat{\sigma}(\theta), \theta)
$$
  
where  $\theta^{\min} > 0$ 

A nonlinear, multimodal optimization problem. In R / DiceKriging , solved by a mix of evolutionary – global – and BFGS – local – algorithms.

# **Where do we stand ?**



Further use the observations *( X , Y=y )*. Make such a model **interpolate** them  $\rightarrow$  last step to kriging.

# **Conditioning of a Gaussian random vector**

Let *U* and *V* be jointly Gaussian random vectors,

$$
\begin{bmatrix} U \\ V \end{bmatrix} \sim \mathcal{N} \Bigg| \begin{bmatrix} \mu_{U} \\ \mu_{V} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} C_{U} & C_{UV} \\ C_{UV}^T & C_{V} \end{bmatrix} \Bigg|
$$

then the conditional distribution of  $U$  knowing  $V = v$  is

$$
[V] \qquad \begin{bmatrix} [W_V] & [C_{UV} & C_V] \end{bmatrix}
$$
  
conditional distribution of *U* knowing *V* = *v* is  

$$
U|V = v \sim N \left( \underbrace{\mu_U + C_{UV} C_V^{-1} (\nu - \mu_V)}_{\text{cond. mean}} \right), \underbrace{C_U - C_{UV} C_V^{-1} C_{UV}^T}{\text{cond. covar.}} \right)
$$

- $\cdot$  the conditional distribution is still Gaussian
- $\cdot$  the conditional covariance does not depend on the observations *v*

and this is all we need ...

Apply the conditioning result to the vector

$$
\begin{bmatrix} Y(x^*) \\ Y(x^1) \\ \vdots \\ Y(x^n) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Y(x^*) \\ Y \end{bmatrix} \sim N \left( \begin{bmatrix} u(x^*) \\ \mu \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \sigma^2 \\ C(x^*, X)^T \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} C(x^*, X) \\ C(x^*, X)^T \end{bmatrix} \right)
$$

which directly yields the simple kriging\* formula

$$
Y(x^*)|Y = y \sim N \left( m_{SK}(x^*) , v_{SK}(x^*) \right)
$$
  
\n
$$
m_{SK}(x^*) = \mu(x^*) + C(x^*, X)C^{-1}(y - \mu)
$$
 (identical to  
\nLS-SVR formula?)

$$
v_{SK}(x^*) = \sigma^2 - C(x^*, \mathbf{X})\mathbf{C}^{-1}C(x^*, \mathbf{X})^T
$$

\* simple kriging : the trend ( $\mu(x^*)$ ,  $\mu$ ) is assumed to be known For prediction at 1 point,  $C(x^*, x^*) = \sigma^2 R(x^* - x^*) = \sigma^2$ For joined prediction at many points, same formula but  $x^* \to x^*$ ,  $\sigma^2 \to C(x^*, x^*)$ ,  $v_{SK}(x^*) \to C_{SK}(x^*, x^*) = C_{SK}^*$ 

# **Simple kriging (illustration)**



Matérn 5/2 kernel, constant trend –  $\mu(x) = -0.2 - \theta \approx 0.02$  by MLE. Not a good statistical model for these data.

# **Simple kriging (other illustration)**

Since  $Y_{KS} \sim N[m_{KS}, C_{KS}]$ , kriging trajectories can be sampled



Matérn 5/2 kernel, constant trend –  $\mu(x) = -0.2 - \theta = 0.5$  fixed a priori.

### **Interpolation properties**

- The kriging mean and trajectories are interpolating the data points
- The kriging variance is null at data points

Proof for 
$$
v_{SK}
$$
:  $C(x^i, X)^T = C^i$ , *i*-th column of *C*  
\n $C^{-1}C = I \Rightarrow C^{-1}C^i = e^i$ , *i*-th basis vector  
\n $v_{SK}(x^i) = \sigma^2 - C^{iT}C^{-1}C^i = \sigma^2 - C^{iT}e^i = \sigma^2 - C(x^i, x^i) = 0$ 

Same idea with  $m_{SK}(x^i) = y_i$ 

*Y*( $x^i$ )|*Y* = *y* ∼ *N*( $y_i$ ,0), thus the trajectories are interpolating

We just used a Bayesian approach (GP conditioning) to justify kriging.

*n* Often, kriging is introduced as a **best linear estimator** :

linear, 
$$
\hat{Y}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \lambda_i(x) Y_i = \lambda(x)^T Y
$$
  
unbiased,  $E\hat{Y}(x) = \lambda(x)^T EY = EY(x) = \mu(x)$   
best,  $\lambda(x) = \arg\min_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^n} E[||\hat{Y}(x) - Y(x)||^2]$ 

This constrained optimization problem is solved in  $\lambda(x)$  and the kriging equations are recovered through

 $m_K(x) = E(\hat{Y}(x)|Y = y)$  and  $v_K(x) = E((\hat{Y}(x) - Y(x)))$ 2 )

But the link with GP interpretation is typically not discussed  $E(Y(x)|Y=y) =$  $\frac{2}{\pi} E(\hat{Y}(x)|Y=y)$ ,  $E((Y(x)-\mu(x)))$  $\mathbf{Y}^2|\mathbf{Y}=\mathbf{y})\stackrel{f}{=}$  $\frac{?}{=} E((\hat{Y}(x)-Y(x)))$ 2 )

**RKHS view** : kriging as minimum norm interpolator in the Reproducing Kernel Hilbert Space generated by *C*(.,.) . Cf. Nicolas Durrande's PhD thesis.

Finally, let us learn the **trend** within the same framework.

 $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ 

The UK statistical model is,

$$
Y(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{p} a_i(x)\beta_i + Z(x) = a(x)^T \beta + Z(x)
$$
  
where  $Z(x) \sim N(0, C(x, x))$  and  $\beta \sim N(b, B)$   
i.e., Gaussian prior on the trend weights

Consider the Gaussian vector,

new points {

observation points {

$$
\begin{bmatrix} Y(x^{*1}) \\ Y(x^{*m}) \\ \vdots \\ Y(x^{n}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Y^* \\ Y \end{bmatrix} \text{ and note } \begin{bmatrix} a(x^1)^T \\ \vdots \\ a(x^n)^T \end{bmatrix} = A
$$

$$
\begin{bmatrix} a(x^1)^T \\ a(x^1)^T \end{bmatrix} = A^*
$$

$$
\begin{bmatrix} a(x^{*1})^T \\ \vdots \\ a(x^{*n})^T \end{bmatrix} = A^*
$$

# **Universal kriging (2/4)**

$$
\begin{bmatrix} Y^* \\ Y \end{bmatrix} \sim N \begin{bmatrix} A^*b \\ Ab \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} C^* + A^*BA^{*T} & C(X^*, X) + A^*BA^T \\ C(X, X^*) + ABA^{*T} & C + ABA^T \end{bmatrix}
$$

and apply the Gaussian vector conditioning formula (see earlier slide). The kriging mean is the conditional average,

$$
m(X^{\star}) = A^{\star}b + [C(X^{\star}, X) + A^{\star}BA^{T}](C + ABA^{T})^{-1}(y - Ab)
$$

and the kriging covariance is the conditional covariance,

$$
v(X^*) = C^* + A^*BA^{*T} -
$$
  

$$
C(X^*, X) + A^*BA^T | (C + ABA^T)^{-1} (C(X, X^*) + ABA^{*T})
$$

The universal kriging formula are obtained by taking the limit of  $m(X^*)$  and  $v(X^*)$  when the prior on the weights becomes non informative

$$
\lambda \in \mathbb{R} \text{ , } B = \lambda \bar{B} \text{ , } \lim_{\substack{\lambda \to \infty \\ b=0}} m(X^*) = m_{\text{UK}}(X^*) \text{ , } \lim_{\substack{\lambda \to \infty \\ b=0}} v(X^*) = v_{\text{UK}}(X^*)
$$

# **Universal kriging (3/4)**

Proof for  $m_{UK}(.)$ 

Two matrix inversion lemma are used :

$$
(A^{-1} + B^{-1})^{-1} = A - A (A + B)^{-1} A
$$
  

$$
(Z + UWV^{T})^{-1} = Z^{-1} - Z^{-1} U (W^{-1} + V^{T} Z^{-1} U)^{-1} V^{T} Z^{-1}
$$
 (2)

$$
(C+ABA^T)^{-1} \stackrel{(2)}{=} C^{-1} - C^{-1}A(B^{-1} + A^TC^{-1}A)^{-1}A^TC^{-1}
$$
  
\n
$$
\stackrel{(1)}{=} C^{-1} - C^{-1}A[(A^TC^{-1}A)^{-1} - (A^TC^{-1}A)^{-1}((A^TC^{-1}A)^{-1} + B)^{-1}(A^TC^{-1}A)^{-1}]A^TC^{-1}
$$
  
\n
$$
\Rightarrow A^*BA^T(C+ABA^T)^{-1}y = A^*B((A^TC^{-1}A)^{-1} + B)^{-1}(A^TC^{-1}A)^{-1}A^TC^{-1}y
$$
  
\n
$$
\Rightarrow A^*\hat{\beta}
$$
  
\n(3)

$$
C(X^*,X)(C + ABA^T)^{-1}y = C(X^*,X)[C^{-1}-C^{-1}A(B^{-1}+A^TC^{-1}A)^{-1}A^TC^{-1}]y
$$
  

$$
\sum_{\lambda \to \infty} C(X^*,X)C^{-1}(y-A\hat{\beta})
$$
 (4)

 $(3) + (4)$  yield  $m_{UK}(.)$ 

# **Universal kriging (4/4)**

Universal kriging
\n $m_{UK}(X^*) = \underbrace{A(X^*)\hat{\beta}}_{\text{linear}} + \underbrace{C(X^*, X)C^{-1}(y - A\hat{\beta})}_{\text{local}}$ \n
\n $m_{UK}(X^*) = \underbrace{A^*C^*C(X^*, X)C^{-1}C(X, X^*)}_{\text{part}}$ \n
\n $v_{UK}(X^*) = \underbrace{C^* - C(X^*, X)C^{-1}C(X, X^*)}_{\text{max}}$ \n
\n $v_{UK}(X^*) = \underbrace{C^* - C(X^*, X)C^{-1}C(X, X^*)}_{\text{max}}$ \n
\n $v_{SK} = \underbrace{V_{SK}}_{\text{relation}}$ \n
\n $U = A^T C^{-1}C(X, X^*) - A(X^*)^T$ \n

Note : **Ordinary kriging** = universal kriging with constant trend

### **Universal kriging (illustration)**



Matérn 5/2 kernel, quadratic trend  $- a(x)^{T} = (1, x, x^{2}) - \theta \approx 0.02$  by MLE.

### **Illustrative comparison of krigings**

Comparison of kriging mean  $\pm$  1.95 std. dev. for simple, ordinary and universal kriging (SK, OK, UK, resp.)

Matérn 5/2 kernel, linear trend –  $a(x)^T = (1, x)$  – for UK, MLE estimation

![](_page_32_Figure_3.jpeg)

Note how SK and OK go back to average, how OK uncertainty slightly > that of SK , uncertainty of UK small because of small estimated σ

# **Kriging in more than 1D**

Sample code from DiceKriging R package :

![](_page_33_Figure_2.jpeg)

# **Rough sensitivity analysis from kriging**

Estimated length scales (the  $\theta$ 's) can serve for rapid sensitivity analysis. The larger  $\theta$ , the least function variation, the least sensitivity.

Expl. in 4D.

```
True function : f(x) = 2 + x_1^2 - 3x_3 + x_1^3x_3^2 + \sin(3x_1x_4)n \leq -80d \le -4X <- optimumLHS(n, d)
X <- data.frame(X)y \leq -\alpha p \log(x, 1, true func)model <- km (design = X, response = y, upper=c(5,5,5,5))
```

$$
\begin{array}{r}\n\hat{\theta}_1 = 1.2 \\
\hat{\theta}_2 = 5 \\
\hat{\theta}_3 = 2.9 \\
\hat{\theta}_4 = 1.7\n\end{array}
$$

one checks that the function is the least sensitive to  $x_{2}$ , the most to  $x_{1}$  .

#### **SVR**

LS-SVR  $\sim m_{K'}$ , cf. previous comments, but regularization control (C SVR parameter) embedded in the likelihood.

#### **Bayesian linear regression**

$$
Y(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} W_i \phi_i(x) + E = \phi(x)^T W + E
$$
  
where  $\phi(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \phi_1(x) \\ \vdots \\ \phi_N(x) \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $W \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \Sigma_w)$ ,  $E \sim N(0, \sigma_n^2)$ 

The posterior distribution of the model follows the SK equations,

$$
(\boldsymbol{\phi}(x)^T \boldsymbol{W} \mid \boldsymbol{Y} = \boldsymbol{y}) \sim \boldsymbol{N} \big( m_{SK}(x), v_{SK}(x) \big)
$$

 $C(x, x') = \phi(x)^T \Sigma_w \phi(x)$ ( GPML, p.12 )

⇒ kriging is equivalent to Bayesian linear regression in the *N* (possibly infinite) dimensional feature space  $(\phi_1(x),...,\phi_N(x))$ 

#### **Bayesian linear regression** (cont)

Case of the Gaussian kernel

The feature space associated to the Gaussian kernel is an infinite series of gaussians with varying centers

$$
C(x, x') = \sigma^2 \exp\left(-\frac{\|x - x'\|^2}{2\theta^2}\right) = \lim_{N \to \infty} \sum_{c=1}^N \frac{\sigma^2}{N} \phi_c(x) \phi_c(x')
$$
  
where  $\phi_c(x) = \exp\left(-\frac{\|x - c\|^2}{\theta^2}\right)$  (see GPML, p.84)

#### *C* **not invertible**

If there are linear dependencies between the covariances of subset of data points. This happens in particular if data points are close to each other according to the cov function  $\leftarrow$  frequent with the very smooth Gaussian kernel. Solution : **regularization**, either by adding a small >0 quantities on the diagonal or by replacing  $\mathbb{C}^1$  by the pseudo-inverse  $\mathbb{C}^{\dagger}$  . ( cf. Mohammadi et al., 2013)

#### **Too many data points**

It is not standard to invert a matrix beyond 1000 data points. Solution : regional kriging, still a research issue.

#### **Choosing the covariance function**

Max. likelihood is a multimodal optimization problem. More generally, how to choose the trend and covariance model ?

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#### From now on, Bruno Sudret will write

$$
m_K(x) \rightarrow \mu_{\hat{Y}}(x)
$$
  

$$
v_K(x) \rightarrow \sigma_{\hat{Y}}^2(x)
$$