Data-Driven estimation of a turbulent flow from wall sensors

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Motivation: Inverse problems (IP)



state: $\boldsymbol{u} \approx F\boldsymbol{y}$

parameters: $\mathbf{y} \approx D \mathbf{x}$



space sometimes HD or temporal fields)

(spatial

F: forward model (expensive, uncertain, non-linear)

state space is HD

data: $S \approx Ou$



O: observation operator data limited, noisy & indirect

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Standard approach (deterministic framework) — ROM-based state estimation

Derive a reduced-order model: $\mathbf{y} \approx \hat{\mathbf{y}} = D \mathbf{x}$. D typically are PCA modes.

From a correlation kernel or a "training" (unsorted) sequence $\mathbf{Y} := (\mathbf{y}^{(1)} \dots \mathbf{y}^{(n_{snap})})$:

$$D\Sigma V^* \stackrel{\text{thin SVD}}{\approx} Y.$$

For a given number n_D of retained modes, leads to the best approximation in the following sense:

$$\widehat{Y} = D \, \widehat{X} \in \underset{\operatorname{rank}\left[\widetilde{Y}\right] \leq n_D}{\operatorname{arg\,min}} \left\| Y - \widetilde{Y} \right\|_F \quad \text{with} \quad \widehat{X} = \Sigma \, V^*.$$

- $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ field of interest,
- $D \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n_D}$ the approximation basis [Dictionary],
- $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_D}$ the basis coefficients as estimated from the n_s sensors,
- $\boldsymbol{s} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_s}$, sensor information.

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Find
$$\{D, X\} \in \operatorname*{arg\,min}_{\widetilde{D}, \widetilde{X}} \left\| Y - \widetilde{D} \widetilde{X} \right\|_{F}$$
 s.t. $\left\| \widetilde{\mathbf{x}}^{(i)} \right\|_{0} \leq n_{s}, \quad \forall i, \quad X := \left(\mathbf{x}^{(1)} \dots \mathbf{x}^{(n_{\mathsf{Snap}})} \right).$



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But typically $\mathbf{x}^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_D}$ cannot be estimated from measurements: Observability issue

 \longrightarrow determine *D* for estimating $\mathbf{x}^{(i)}$ from $\mathbf{s}^{(i)}$ instead of $\mathbf{y}^{(i)}$.

 \rightarrow dictionary *D* both accurate and observable: *D*(*Y*, *S*).

----- Observability-oriented Dictionary Learning

On-site data: $\boldsymbol{s} = G(\boldsymbol{y})$.

Let $M_y = \{y_1, \dots, y_{n_{snap}}\}$ examples of plausible fields. One looks for a recovery procedure minimizing the Bayes risk

$$\mathbb{E}_{(\boldsymbol{s},\boldsymbol{y})}\left[\left\|\boldsymbol{y}-\widehat{\boldsymbol{y}}\left(\boldsymbol{s}\right)\right\|_{2}^{2}\right] = \iint \left\|\boldsymbol{y}-\widehat{\boldsymbol{y}}\left(\boldsymbol{s}\right)\right\|_{2}^{2} \rho\left(\boldsymbol{s}|\boldsymbol{y}\right) \rho\left(\boldsymbol{y}\right) \, \mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{s} \, \mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{y},$$
$$\approx \propto \left\|\boldsymbol{Y}-\widehat{\boldsymbol{Y}}\left(\boldsymbol{S}\right)\right\|_{F}^{2}. \quad [\textit{iid samples}].$$

with

$$\mathbf{y} \approx \widehat{\mathbf{y}} = D(\mathbf{x}),$$

 $\mathbf{s} \approx \widehat{\mathbf{s}} = D_{\mathbf{s}} \mathbf{x}.$

$$\longrightarrow \{D_{\boldsymbol{s}}, X, D\} \in \operatorname*{arg\,min}_{\widetilde{D_{\boldsymbol{s}}}, \widetilde{X}, \widetilde{D}} \left\| Y - \widetilde{D}\,\widetilde{X}\left(S; \widetilde{D_{\boldsymbol{s}}}\right) \right\|_{F}.$$

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Estimation CodeBook Update

$$D \in \operatorname*{arg\,min}_{\widetilde{D}} \left\| Y - \widetilde{D} X \right\|_{F}.$$

Feature CodeBook Update

$$\boldsymbol{d}_{\boldsymbol{s},l} \propto \left(\boldsymbol{S} - \boldsymbol{D}_{\boldsymbol{s},\backslash l} \, \boldsymbol{X}_{\backslash l}\right) \, \widehat{\boldsymbol{x}}_{l}^{\mathsf{T}}, \qquad \left\|\boldsymbol{d}_{\boldsymbol{s},l}\right\|_{2} = 1, \quad \forall \, 1 \leq l \leq n_{D},$$

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Full information on the solution \longrightarrow Bayesian modeling Independent data during training.

$$\mathbf{x} \in \underset{\widetilde{\mathbf{x}} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_{D}}}{\arg \max} \ q\left(\widetilde{\mathbf{x}} \middle| \mathbf{s}\right) \propto L\left(\mathbf{s} \middle| \widetilde{\mathbf{x}}\right) \ p\left(\widetilde{\mathbf{x}}\right), \qquad \widehat{\mathbf{s}} = D_{\mathbf{s}} \ \mathbf{x},$$

with

$$\begin{split} L(\boldsymbol{s}|\boldsymbol{x},\beta) &\sim \mathcal{N}\left(\boldsymbol{s}\Big|\boldsymbol{D}_{\boldsymbol{s}}\,\boldsymbol{x},\beta^{-1}\right),\\ \boldsymbol{\rho}\left(\boldsymbol{x}\right) &= \frac{\lambda}{2}\,\exp\left(-\frac{\lambda}{2}\,\left\|\boldsymbol{x}\right\|_{1}\right), \qquad \text{[Laplace prior]},\\ \boldsymbol{\tau} &= \lambda/\beta \qquad \text{[sparsity penalty]}. \end{split}$$

Bayesian Compressive Sensing (cnt'd)

Sparsity regularization penalty τ unknown Laplace prior not conjugate to the likelihood model $\end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow hi$

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 \longrightarrow hierarchical formulation

$$p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\gamma}) = \prod_{i=1}^{n_D} \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_i|\mathbf{0},\gamma_i), \quad \boldsymbol{\gamma} = (\gamma_1 \dots \gamma_{n_D}), \quad (1)$$

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Each of the n_D independent hyperparameters γ_i controls the strength of the prior \longrightarrow introduces sparsity in the model.

 \rightarrow three-stage hierarchy. Eqs. (1)-(2) result in a Laplace distribution $p(\mathbf{x}|\lambda)$.

Sequential Sparse Bayesian Learning

 $\rightarrow q(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{s}, \boldsymbol{\gamma}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\lambda})$ is a multivariate Gaussian distribution $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$,

$$\boldsymbol{\mu} = \beta \Sigma D_{\boldsymbol{s}}^{\mathsf{T}} \boldsymbol{s}, \qquad \boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \left(\beta D_{\boldsymbol{s}}^{\mathsf{T}} D_{\boldsymbol{s}} + \Lambda\right)^{-1}, \quad \boldsymbol{\Lambda} = \operatorname{diag}\left(\gamma_{1}^{-1}, \ldots, \gamma_{n_{D}}^{-1}\right).$$

Follows Babacan et al. (2010).

Hyperparameters maximize the (log-) marginal likelihood

$$\log p(\mathbf{s}, \boldsymbol{\gamma}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}) = \log \int p(\mathbf{s} | \mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\beta}) p(\mathbf{x} | \boldsymbol{\gamma}) p(\boldsymbol{\gamma} | \boldsymbol{\lambda}) p(\boldsymbol{\lambda}) p(\boldsymbol{\beta}) d\mathbf{x}$$

 \longrightarrow MAP estimate: $\hat{y} = D \mu$.

Recovery performance



Prediction SBL 100 0.2 90 0.15 80 0.1 70 0.05 60 0 > 50 -0.05 -0.1 40 -0.15 30 -0.2 20 -0.25 10 -0.3 100 150 200 250

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Some remarks

- Offline/Online strategy for inference. First learn about the system at hand, then exploit,
- Basis learning philosophy is a key for a realistic and successful approach,
- Need to balance between representation accuracy and observability when using a dictionary → observability-oriented sparse Bayesian learning.

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Disclaimer: I will not solve the problem...

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What we may do

- Alleviate the loss of Markovianity by embedding the measurements
- Unfold the measurements to disentangle the information.
- Discover the manifold the flow data lie on. Hopefully of reasonable dimension.
- "Flatten" its relationship with the measurement features.



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Kernel $N_{\rm DM}$ to quantify the distance between snapshots $\{y_i\}_i$:

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With *D* the degree matrix, the Markov matrix quantifies the transition probabilities:

$$P = D^{-1} N_{\rm DM}, \qquad A = D^{-1/2} N_{\rm DM} D^{-1/2},$$

t-step transition matrix, with $t \in \mathbb{N}$ the diffusion "time" (acting as a scale):

$$P^t = R \, \Gamma^t \, L^{\mathsf{T}}.$$

Flow features Ψ_Y are modes of the diffusion map:

$$\Psi_Y = \Gamma^t R^T$$
.



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The adjoint variables $\tilde{\alpha}$ satisfy a Sylvester equation:

$$\lambda \left(\Psi_{Y} \Psi_{Y}^{\mathsf{T}} \right)^{-1} \widetilde{\alpha} + \widetilde{\alpha} \, K_{SS} = \Psi_{Y}.$$

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At the end of the day:

$$\boldsymbol{s}_{\mathrm{inst}} \longrightarrow \boldsymbol{s} \longrightarrow \Phi\left(\boldsymbol{s}\right) \longrightarrow \widehat{\Psi}\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{y}}\right) \longrightarrow \widehat{\boldsymbol{y}}$$

Very much work in progress...

- Basis learning philosophy is a key enabler,
- Need to balance between representation accuracy and observability.

On-going efforts:

- More robust determination of the preimage,
- Anisotropic features kernel (→ Laplace-Beltrami operator),
- Observability of the flow features yet to be enforced,
- More robust definition of the Bayes risk, *e.g.*, Wasserstein distance.