

PARAMETER ESTIMATION - stochastic models.

ODE: $J(\theta) = \sum_{i,j} (y_{ij}(t_i) - \underbrace{x(t_i, \theta)}_{\text{non-linear dependence on } \theta})^2$ \rightsquigarrow OPTIMIZE (minimize) w.r.t θ .

evaluate J
requires solution of IVP
(solving ODE).

non-linear dependence on θ

non-convex problem \Rightarrow many local minima

In the stochastic case: which is the likelihood.

- POPULATION AVERAGES \rightsquigarrow (a)
- SINGLE CELL INDEPENDENT TIME MEASUREMENTS
- SINGLE CELL TRAJECTORY.

(a) POPULATION AVERAGES

$$y_i(t) \sim \mathcal{N}(E[X(t|\theta_{true})], \sigma^2)$$

$y_{ij}(t_i)$ observations

$$P(y_{ij}(t_i) | E[X(t_i)] = x)$$

$$P(y_{ij}(t_i) | \theta) = \int P(y_{ij}(t_i), E[X(t_i)] = x | \theta) dx$$

$$= \frac{P(E[X(t_i)] = x | \theta)}{\sigma_{E[X(t_i|\theta)]}}$$

$$P(y_j(t_i) | \theta) = P(y_j(t_i) | E[x_j(t_i) | \theta])$$

$$= \mathcal{N}(E[x(t_i) | \theta], \sigma^2) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{(y_j(t_i) - E[x(t_i) | \theta])^2}{\sigma^2}\right)$$

$$J(\theta, \theta) \propto \sum_{j,i} (y_j(t_i) - E[x(t_i) | \theta])^2$$

Come calcolo $E[x(t_i) | \theta]$

(Se tutti i neri sono lineari, allora è facile, basta risolvere le RRE)

Altrimenti devo approssimare

- STOCHASTIC APPROXIMATION (vedi next lecture)

- STATISTICAL APPROXIMATION: sample

$x(t_i | \theta)$ n times, estimate

$$E[x(t_i) | \theta] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N x_k(t_i)$$

($n \approx 1000$ to have decent estimates)

Computationally expensive

- SINGLE CELL / INDEP. TIME

$$P(y_i(t_i) | \theta) = \int P(y_i(t_i) | X(t_i | \theta) = x) P(X(t_i | \theta) = x | \theta) dx$$

$$= \sum_{x \in S} P(y_i(t_i) | X(t_i | \theta) = x) P(X(t_i) = x | \theta)$$

for discrete S. \uparrow

I "just" need to solve Kolmogorov equations at time t_i .

$$= \int P(X(t_i | \theta)) \left[P(y_i(t_i) | X(t_i | \theta) = x) \right] dx$$

$$\propto \exp\left(-\frac{(y_i(t_i) - x)^2}{\sigma^2}\right)$$

$P(y_i(t_i) | x) = \mathcal{N}(x | \sigma^2)$

Warning

$\log(E[f(x)]) \geq E[\log(f(x))]$ So I can use $E[\log(f(x))]$ as a lower bound on the likelihood and maximize the lower bound.

• SINGLE CELL TRAJECTORY

$$P(y_0(t_1), \dots, y_0(t_k) | \theta) = \int P(y_0(t_1), \dots, y_0(t_k) | X(t_1)=x_1, \dots, X(t_k)=x_k) \cdot P(X(t_1)=x_1, \dots, X(t_k)=x_k | \theta) dx_1 \dots dx_k$$

$$= E \left[\frac{P(y_0(t_1), \dots, y_0(t_k) | X(t_1)=x_1, \dots, X(t_k)=x_k)}{P(x_1, \dots, x_k = x_1, \dots, x_k)} \right]$$

$$E \left[\prod_i P(y_0(t_i) | x_i) \right] \geq E \left[\sum_i \log P(y_0(t_i) | x_i) \right]$$

$$\log E \geq E \log$$

$$\sum_{x_1, \dots, x_k} \underbrace{P(y_0(t_1), \dots, y_0(t_k) | x_1, \dots, x_k)} \cdot \underbrace{P(X(t_1) = x_1 \rightarrow X(t_k) = x_k | \emptyset)}$$

$$P(y_0(t_1) | x_1) \cdot \dots \cdot P(y_0(t_k) | x_k)$$

Independent (gaussian) noise
at time points t_1, \dots, t_k

Memoryless

$$P(X(t_1) = x_1, \dots, X(t_k) = x_k) = \sum_{x_0} P(X(0) = x_0) \prod_{i=1}^k P(X(t_i) = x_i | X(t_{i-1}) = x_{i-1})$$

$$= \sum_{x_0} P(X(0) = x_0, X(t_1) = x_1, \dots, X(t_k) = x_k)$$

Example: t_1, \dots, t_k are regular, $t_i = i \cdot h$

$$P(\underbrace{X(t_i) = x_i}_{X(i \cdot h) = x_i} | \underbrace{X(t_{i-1}) = x_{i-1}}_{X((i-1) \cdot h) = x_{i-1}}) = P(X(h) = x_i | X(0) = x_{i-1})$$

Can be
computed
by solving

the matrix Kolmogorov-
equations.

