Regression on Manifolds: Nonparametric system identification with applications in control and systems biology

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## Experimental Platform: STARMAC



The Stanford Testbed of Autonomous Rotorcraft for Multi-Agent Control [Hoffmann, Waslander, Vitus, Huang, Gillula, Mercer, Bouffard, Li]

## Case Study: Collision Avoidance

Pilots instructed to attempt to collide vehicles

## Image analysis can record 3D gene expression at cellular resolution

3D confocal images

a "PointCloud" table


Luengo et al, 2006

## a 3D gene expression atias



Fowlkes et al, 2008

## a 3D gene expression atlas

16 million cells 3,000 embryos 7 time points protein 20 factors


Fowlkes et al, 2008


Quantitative changes in expression are evident along both axes for almost all genes

## visualizing expression along both axes

cylindrical projection


# Quantitative changes in expression are evident along both axes for almost all genes 

eve

eve expression along D/V axis

sna

sna expression along $A / P$ axis


## Toy Example: Pendulum

- Dynamics: $\ddot{\hat{A}}=i \frac{g}{i} \sin \mu$
$x=\left[\begin{array}{l}x_{1} \\ x_{2}\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{l}\theta \\ \dot{\theta}\end{array}\right] \rightarrow \dot{x}=f(x)$
$f(x)=\left[\begin{array}{c}x_{2} \\ -\frac{g}{l} \sin x_{1}\end{array}\right]$
- Write this as: $\dot{x}=\beta X$

$$
\beta=\left[\begin{array}{cc}
0 & 1 \\
-\frac{g}{l} & 0
\end{array}\right] \quad X=\left[\begin{array}{c}
\sin x_{1} \\
x_{2}
\end{array}\right]
$$

[Jeremy Gillua]

## Pendulum

## Suppose:

- model is unknown
- noisy measurements are available of velocity

Identify a model $\dot{x}=\beta X$
where


$$
X={ }^{\prime \prime} \mu \mu \sin \mu \sin \mu \cos \mu \cos \mu \mu^{2} \mu^{2}::^{1 T}
$$

and $\beta$ is unknown
[Jeremy Gillula]

## Pendulum

Learned Result:


$$
\begin{aligned}
& x 1^{\prime} \text { dot }=0.23^{*} x 1+0.96 * x 2+-0.27 * \sin (x 1)+ \\
& -0.02^{*} \cos (x 1)+0.15 * \sin (x 2)+-0.01 * \cos (x 2) \\
& x 2 \_ \text {dot }=3.66 * x 1+0.00 * x 2+-13.92 * \sin (x 1)+ \\
& 0.01 * \cos (x 1)+-0.00 * \sin (x 2)+0.01 * \cos (x 2)
\end{aligned}
$$

## Online System Identification


[Kloetzer and Belta; Ma, Vidal, and Sastry; Soatto; Vijayakumar; Atkeson; Ting; Hunt...]

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- Undersampling for high-dimensional systems
- Constrained dynamics
- Fast-slow dynamics
[Bickel and Li, 2007]


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$\longrightarrow$ Look for a geometric structure for sparsity Local linear models are easy to manipulate

eve mRNA data shown in 3D and 2D projections










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hbP

eveP


Data, Stage 5: 4-8




hbP

eveP


Data, Stage 4: 9-25

## Local Linear Regression

Solve for $\left(A_{\alpha}, b_{\alpha}\right)$ in $\dot{x}=A_{\alpha} x+b_{\alpha}$ for all $\alpha$

Rewrite as:

$$
Y=\beta X
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
Y^{T} & =\left[\dot{x}_{1}\left(t_{1}\right) \ldots \dot{x}_{E}\left(t_{T}\right)\right] \\
\beta & =\left[\begin{array}{ll}
A & b
\end{array}\right] \\
X^{T} & =\left[x_{1}\left(t_{1}\right) \ldots x_{E}\left(t_{T}\right) 1\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

## Existing Approaches

| Estimator | Considers geometry | Sparsity | High-dimensionality |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Moore-Penrose $^{1}$ | Yes |  |  |
| Ridge $^{2}$ |  |  |  |
| Principal <br> Components <br> Regression |  |  |  |
| Res | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Lasso ${ }^{4,5}$ |  | Yes | Yes |
| Elastic Net ${ }^{6}$ | Yes |  |  |
| Partial Least <br> Squares |  |  |  |

${ }^{1}$ (Knight and Fu, 2000); ${ }^{2}$ (Hoerl and Kannard, 1970); ${ }^{3}$ (Massy, 1965); ${ }^{4}$ (Tibshirani, 1996); ${ }^{5}$ (Zou, 2006); ${ }^{6}$ (Zou and Hastie, 2005); ${ }^{7}$ (Wold, 1975)

## Online System Identification


-Difficulty in interpreting regression coefficients
-Gradient of function does not exist

## Online System Identification



Exterior derivative of function does exist

- Extension of gradients to manifolds
- Best local linear approximation of function on manifold


## New Estimation Approach

- Locally learn manifold
- Constrain regression vector to lie on the manifold by penalizing for deviations from manifold

$$
\widehat{\beta}=\arg \min _{\beta}\left(\|W(Y-\beta X)\|_{2}^{2}+\lambda\|\Pi \beta\|_{2}^{2}\right)
$$

- Where $\Pi$ is chosen to penalize $\beta$ for lying off of the manifold


## Correlation over space and time


temporal change in mRNA expression
correlation of gt protein with change in eve mRNA

## Drosophila Embryo, Stage 5

$$
\frac{d[e v e]}{d t}=f(b c d P, g t P, h b P, k r P, k n i P, e v e P, e v e)
$$



$$
\frac{d[e v e]}{d t}=\beta_{0}+\beta_{1}[b c d P]+\beta_{2}[g t P]+\beta_{3}[h b P]+\beta_{4}[k r P]+\ldots
$$



## Results: eve, Stage 5: 0-25

Stage 5:0-3




Stage 5:4-8




Stage 5:9-25





## Results: eve, Stage 5: 26-100

Stage 5:26-50


## Factor activity, Stage 5: 4-8



## Rate of eve production vs gtP, Stage 5: 4-8



predicted gt activity simulated
predicted gt activity "correlation model"

Stage 5:4-8


predicted kr activity simulated
predicted kr activity "correlation model"

Stage 5:4-8


## Potential insights

- factors appear to have concentration dependent effects
- repressing at one concentration, activating at another
- spurious correlations or real effects?
- starting to analyze the other data sets (binding data)
- if true, could add a new layer to the complexity of the signaling network
- model overlaps, but also gives some different results from the spatial correlation model
- can distinguish between weakening of repression, and repression, for example


## Summary ...

- Method for local linear regression, designed for systems evolving on a manifold of lower dimension than overall space
- Designed to prevent overfitting
- Can be used as a tool to help identify network structure
- Another new project: network and parameter identification of HER2/3 network in cancer (with Joe Gray, Young-Hwan Chang, Steven Xie, and Soulaiman Itani)



# Nonparametric Identification of Regulatory Interactions from Spatial and Temporal Gene Expression Data 

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## Air Traffic Control: Separation Assurance



Safety: 5 mile lateral, 1000 ft vertical separation


## Case Study 2: Back-Flip



- Divide flip into three modes
- Hit desired target sets while avoiding unsafe sets


## Back-flip: Method

- Identify target region in rotational state space for each mode
- Use reachable sets to calculate capture basin for each target
- Dynamic game formulation accounts for worst-case disturbances
- Verify that target of each mode is contained by
 capture basin of next mode



## Toy Example: Mass-Spring System


$\boldsymbol{L}=$ Length of uncompressed spring

$$
\left[\begin{array}{c}
\ddot{x}_{1} \\
\ddot{x}_{2}
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
L k_{1}-k_{2} \lambda m & \left.-k_{1}+k_{2}\right\rceil m & 0 \\
k_{2} L / m & k_{2} m & -k_{2} m
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{c}
1 \\
x_{1} \\
x_{2}
\end{array}\right]
$$

## Mass-Spring System

- $X=$ matrix of low noise measurements of positions
- $Y=$ vector of noisy measurements of acceleration

$$
Y=\left[\begin{array}{c}
\ddot{x}_{1} \\
\vdots \\
\ddot{x}_{1}
\end{array}\right]+\eta
$$

- $K=$ vector of estimated coefficients for the first ODE

$$
\begin{aligned}
K & =\arg \min _{\beta}\|Y-X \beta\|_{2}^{2} \\
& =\left(X^{T} X^{\geqslant} X^{T} Y\right.
\end{aligned}
$$

## Degenerate Mass-Spring System


$L=$ Length of uncompressed spring
$k_{2}$ is a very stiff spring

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \ddot{x}_{1}=-\frac{k_{1}}{2 m} \mathbb{K}_{1}-L \\
& x_{2}=x_{1}+L
\end{aligned}
$$

## Degenerate Mass-Spring System

- $X=$ matrix of low noise measurements of positions
- $Y=$ vector of noisy measurements of acceleration
- $K=$ vector of estimated coefficients for the first ODE

$$
\begin{aligned}
K & =\underset{\beta}{\arg \min _{\beta}\|Y-X \beta\|_{2}^{2}} \\
& =X^{T} X^{\top} X^{T} Y
\end{aligned}
$$

- PROBLEM: Covariance matrix is (nearly) singular
- CAUSE: States have geometric constraints


## Mass-Spring Example

|  | Model $(8.10)$ |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | with $k_{1}=0.4, k_{2}=0.25, L=1, m=1$ |  |  |  |
|  | $n M S E\left(\hat{B}, B_{1}\right)$ | $n M S E\left(\hat{B}, B_{2}\right)$ |  |  |
| OLS/MP | 0.096 | $(0.011)$ | 1.422 | $(0.130)$ |
| RR | 0.091 | $(0.009)$ | 1.286 | $(0.115)$ |
| EN | 0.091 | $(0.009)$ | 1.286 | $(0.115)$ |
| PLS | 0.096 | $(0.011)$ | 1.422 | $(0.130)$ |
| PCR | 0.096 | $(0.011)$ | 1.422 | $(0.130)$ |
| EDE | 0.091 | $(0.009)$ | 1.286 | $(0.115)$ |
| ALEDE | 0.091 | $(0.009)$ | 1.286 | $(0.115)$ |
| EDEP | 0.091 | $(0.009)$ | 1.286 | $(0.115)$ |
| ALEDEP | 0.091 | $(0.009)$ | 1.286 | $(0.115)$ |
|  | Model |  |  |  |
|  | $8.11)$ |  |  |  |
|  | with $k_{1}=0.4, k_{2}$ | $10000, L=1, m=1$ |  |  |
|  | $n M S E\left(\hat{B}, B_{1}\right)$ | $n M S E\left(\hat{B}, B_{2}\right)$ |  |  |
| OLS/MP | 1.000 | $(0.000)$ | 0.231 | $(0.162)$ |
| RR | 1.000 | $(0.000)$ | 0.118 | $(0.058)$ |
| EN | 1.000 | $(0.000)$ | 0.135 | $(0.074)$ |
| PLS | 1.000 | $(0.000)$ | 0.160 | $(0.167)$ |
| PCR | 1.000 | $(0.000)$ | 0.162 | $(0.166)$ |
| EDE | 1.000 | $(0.000)$ | 0.112 | $(0.060)$ |
| ALEDE | 1.000 | $(0.000)$ | 0.129 | $(0.077)$ |
| EDEP | 1.000 | $(0.000)$ | 0.111 | $(0.060)$ |
| ALEDEP | 1.000 | $(0.000)$ | 0.128 | $(0.078)$ |





Window Size

log10(Error Bars)



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log10(Error Bars)



Window Size

log10(Error Bars)


# RESULTS: <br> Heatmap of Coefficients Times Factor Concentrations on Eve Stripes at Stage 5:4-8 with Changing Window Size 

In general need to explain the weakening of repression etc.



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eveP


Heatmap of Coefficients Times Factor Concentrations on Eve Stripes at Stage 5:4-8
with Fixed Window Size of Circle with Width of 6 Cells


Heatmap of Correlation Between Factor Concentration and Eve Stripes at Stage 5:4-8



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## Experimental eve mRNA Patterns

## Stage $5: 0-3$


Stage $5: 9-25$


## Simulated eve mRNA Patterns



## Percent Error



## Regulation is often associated with correlations in expression



# Regression analysis detects known regulatory interactions 

$$
M(x, t)=F\{P(x, t)\}
$$

$\square$ Activator
Repressor


Transcription factors

Fowlkes et al, 2008

## The method can be rapidly applied to any large quantitative dataset



100s of expression stripes from 95 genes

## The measured expression correlates well with that predicted by the regression



Most expression stripes r>0.6

## Talk outline

- One slide on PCP - use as motivation (here, we assumed a structure - given to us from Jeff, before modeling). What if we didn't have, or weren't confident with, the structure?
- Simple pendulum example
- Mark's system
- Local linear regression - justify, as a basis for identifying a potentially nonlinear system
- Method gives the regions of best fit, so there is a higher density of models in "very nonlinear" regions
- Key: protect against overfitting. If the system dynamic lies on a lower dimensional manifold, find it. (you can use the hb kr example here if you want)
- Sparsity, high dimensionality(?), non-parametric
- Results


## Questions

- Anil - what is the diagram on slide 74 of quals pres?
- Mark - hb, kr well known interaction?
- Anil: NEDE is equivalent to an optimization formulation of principal components regression; Elastic net is equivalent to NALEDE in which the data is pure noise (no manifold) - explain clearly what is different


## Comparison to Previous Work

- NEDE is equivalent to an optimization formulation of principal components regression
- Elastic net is equivalent to NALEDE in which the data is pure noise (no manifold)
- Combines positive aspects of different estimators
- Computational effort comparable to that of existing estimators


## Simulation Results - Normalized Mean

Squared Error


## Simulation Results - Classification Rate


$\mathrm{n}=50$

- In previous models of the HER2/3 signaling pathway, the structure was fixed a priori (from biological knowledge.)
- Structure from different cell types, animals, and in vitro experiments was used. These do not necessarily hold.
- Some parts of the structure might not have been discovered to date.
- We therefore need to search for the correct structure, and not only the parameters given a certain structure.


- To include structure modifications in the optimization, we introduce a module that creates possible networks, in a controlled fashion, and a module that creates different experiments.
- Connections in a network can be forced, prohibited, encouraged, or discouraged.


