Functional modeling of hyperspectral data with heteroscedastic noise

Application to statistical estimation and classification

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Introduction

Functional modeling of hyperspectral images

Hyperspectral sensors and missions

- Properties of hyperspectral images increase on a regularly basis
 - Higher spatial resolution,
 - Higher temporal resolution,
 - Higher number of spectral channels.



From spectral variables to spectral curves



Spectral variables

We observe a random vector \mathbf{x} of \mathbb{R}^d and our statistical processing (classification, unmixing, ...) is invariant to a random permutation of the spectral variables.

Spectral curves

We observe a random curve \mathcal{X} of \mathcal{F} and we can integrate some curves properties (derivative, smoothness) in the statistical processing.

Multivariate versus functional modeling

Multivariate

•
$$\mathbf{x} = \left[\mathbf{x}(\lambda_1), \dots, \mathbf{x}(\lambda_d)\right]$$

- Card(\mathbb{R}^d)=d
- $\blacksquare \ \mathbf{x}^{(m)} \rightarrow \mathsf{numerical differences}$

•
$$\langle \mathbf{x}, \theta \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{d} \mathbf{x}(\lambda_i) \theta(\lambda_i)$$

Functional

•
$$\mathcal{X} = \left\{ \mathcal{X}(\lambda), \lambda \in [\lambda_{\min}, \lambda_{\max}] \right\}$$

• Card(\mathcal{F})= ∞

$$\mathcal{X}^{(m)}
ightarrow \mathsf{explicit}$$
 formulae

$$\bullet \ \langle \mathcal{X}, \theta \rangle = \int_{\lambda_{\min}}^{\lambda_{\max}} \mathcal{X}(\lambda) \theta(\lambda) d\lambda$$



Introduction

Contributions

- Nonparametric functional regression (and classification) applied to hyperspectral imagery.
- Heteroscedastic noise assumption in the observed spectra.
- Nested kernels estimator.
- Application to

Regression Simulated PROSAIL data, **Classification** HYSPEX hyperspectral data. Nested kernels estimator

Functional nonparametric regression

Non parametric model

• Learning set : $(\mathcal{X}_i, y_i)_{i=1}^n$.

•
$$y = r(\mathcal{X}) + \epsilon$$
 where $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$.

• r is a regression operator with some regularity-type conditions

$$\hat{r}(\mathcal{X}) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} y_i K_r \left(h_r^{-1} \delta(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{X}_i) \right)}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} K_r \left(h_r^{-1} \delta(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{X}_i) \right)}$$

- K_r is an asymmetric kernel,
- $h_r \in \mathbb{R}^*_+$ is a smoothing parameter,
- $\blacktriangleright~\delta$ is a proximity measure between two curves.
- X is supposed noise-free, but in practice we only observe X*, a contaminated version of the spectra :

$$\mathcal{X}^*(\lambda) = \mathcal{X}(\lambda) + \eta(\lambda)$$

where η is a random process independent of (\mathcal{X}, y) such as

- $\blacktriangleright E[\eta(\lambda)] = 0,$
- $E[\eta(\lambda)\eta(\lambda')] = \sigma_{\eta}^2(\lambda)\mathbf{1}_{\lambda=\lambda'},$
- σ_{η}^2 twice differentiable.

- Estimate both the noise-free spectra and the regression operator.
- Nesting two kernel estimators

$$\hat{\hat{r}}(\mathcal{X}) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} y_i K_r \left(h_r^{-1} \delta(\mathcal{X}, \hat{\mathcal{X}}_i) \right)}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} K_r \left(h_r^{-1} \delta(\mathcal{X}, \hat{\mathcal{X}}_i) \right)}$$

where $\hat{\mathcal{X}}_i$ is obtained through

$$\hat{\mathcal{X}}_i(\lambda) = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^d \mathcal{X}_i^*(\lambda_i) K_s \left(h_s(\lambda_j)^{-1} (\lambda - \lambda_j) \right)}{\sum_{j=1}^d K_s \left(h_s(\lambda_j)^{-1} (\lambda - \lambda_j) \right)}.$$

• h_s is a smoothing parameter depending on the variable λ .

Nested kernels estimator

Properties

Under some mild conditions, it is possible to prove

- 1. The nested estimator \hat{r} converges to the true operator r.
- 2. The rate of convergence is not decreased in comparison to the situation where noise-free samples are observed as soon as d is much larger than n.
- 3. The rate of convergence is increased when the ratio d/n is increased.

Application to the statistical analysis of hyperspectral images

Estimation of Chlorophyll content

Data set

- Simulated data using PROSAIL (J.B. Féret).
- 5000 samples (n=5000) and 2101 wavelengths (d=2101) from 400 to 2500 nm.
- Heteroscedastic noise has been added.
- 500 spectra were randomly used to build \hat{r} .
- 500 spectra were randomly used to compute the *relative mean square error* :

$$RMSE = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{500} (y_i - \hat{\hat{r}}(\mathcal{X}_i))^2}{\sum_{i=1}^{500} (y_i - \bar{y})^2}$$

- Smoothing parameters have been optimized with 5-CV.
- 50 repetitions.



Results

- Proximity measure : *L*₂ norm on the first derivative w.r.t. the spectral variable of the spectra.
- Results : Nested kernels estimator and kernel estimator.



Application to the statistical analysis of hyperspectral images

Classification of hyperspectral images

- Data set acquired with HYSPEX sensor.
- 32224 pixels (n=32224), with 50 cm as spatial resolution and 160 spectral bands (d=160).
- 12 woody species have been identified during field campaigns.
- Competitive methods were :
 - ► SVM,
 - GMM with ridge regularization,
 - Random Forest,

B-Splines expansion has been used for the multivariate methods.

- 30 spectra per class used to build $\hat{\hat{r}}$, the remaining are used to compute the *error rate*.
- 50 repetitions.

Data set 2/2



Results

- Proximity measure : *PLS basis*.
- Results



- ✓ Functional modelling of spectral curves.
- $\checkmark\,$ Heteroscedastic noise model.
- ✓ Good performances w.r.t multivariate methods.
- \checkmark Flexible framework to define proximity measures
 - Derivatives,
 - Subspaces (PCA, PLS ...).
- × Computing time.