



More about HSIC-ANOVA indices... What is hidden behind Sobolev kernels?

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Introduction

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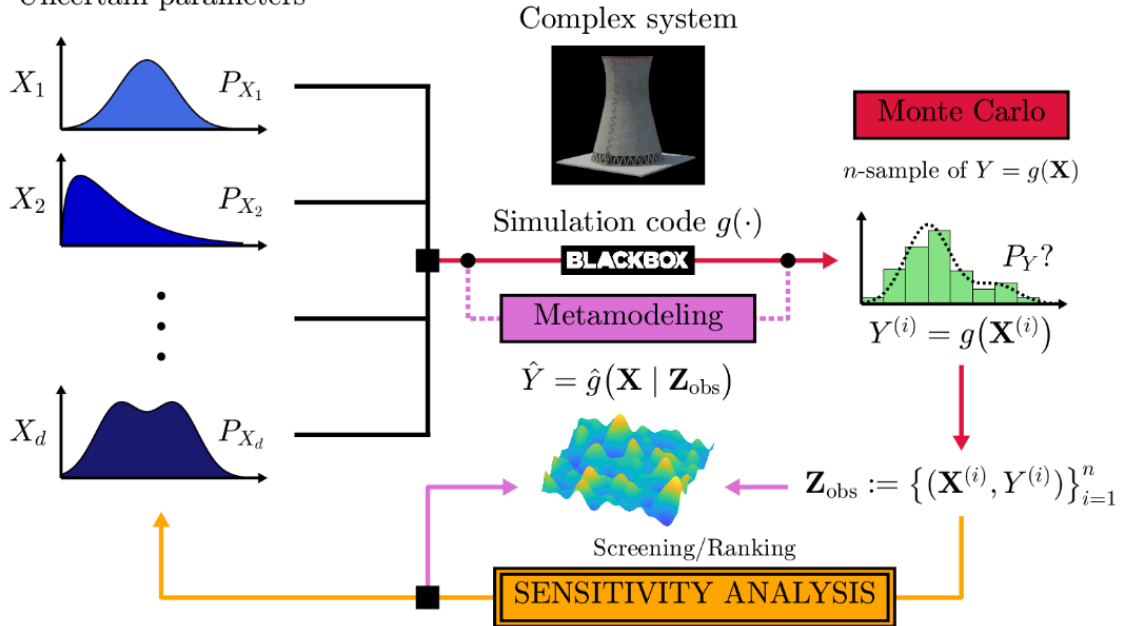
- ▶ **Approach 1:** kernel feature analysis
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3) Are Sobolev kernels characteristic?

Conclusion

- Let $\mathbf{X} := [X_1, \dots, X_d]$ be a random vector with **independent** components ($d \approx 100$).
- Let $Y := g(\mathbf{X})$ where $g: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a **computationally-expensive** simulation code.

Uncertain parameters



- Total-order Sobol' indices cannot be estimated from a small amount of input-output samples.
- The HSIC indices of [Gretton et al. \(2005\)](#) have been increasingly used since [Da Veiga \(2014\)](#).

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$$\text{HSIC}(X_i, Y) = \|C_{X_i Y}\|_{\text{HS}}^2 \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{aligned} C_{X_i Y} &: \mathcal{G} \longrightarrow \mathcal{F}_i \\ C_{X_i Y} &= \mathbb{E}[\varphi_i(X_i) \otimes \varphi_Y(Y)] - \mathbb{E}[\varphi_i(X_i)] \otimes \mathbb{E}[\varphi_Y(Y)] \end{aligned}$$

- Explicit knowledge about the feature maps φ_i and φ_Y may help understand HSIC indices.

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- Let (X_i, Y) and (X'_i, Y') be two independent copies of $\mathbb{P}_{X_i Y}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{HSIC}(X_i, Y) = & \mathbb{E}_{\substack{X_i Y \\ X'_i Y'}} [K_i(X_i, X'_i) K_Y(Y, Y')] + \mathbb{E}_{X_i X'_i} [K_i(X_i, X'_i)] \mathbb{E}_{Y Y'} [K_Y(Y, Y')] \\ & - 2\mathbb{E}_{X_i Y} \left[\mathbb{E}_{X'_i} [K_i(X_i, X'_i)] \mathbb{E}_{Y'} [K_Y(Y, Y')] \right] \end{aligned}$$

- The estimation of $\text{HSIC}(X_i, Y)$ can be considered with either a **U-statistic** or a **V-statistic**.

Towards an ANOVA decomposition in the HSIC paradigm

Keynote 4 - Sébastien DA VEIGA

A kernel-based ANOVA decomposition: extending sensitivity analysis and Shapley effects with kernels

- Da Veiga (2021) → HSIC(\mathbf{X}, Y) may be apportioned between **independent** inputs.

$$\text{HSIC}(\mathbf{X}, Y) = \sum_{\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{1, \dots, d\}} \text{HSIC}_{\mathbf{u}} = \sum_{\mathbf{u} \subseteq \{1, \dots, d\}} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \subseteq \mathbf{u}} (-1)^{|\mathbf{u}| - |\mathbf{v}|} \text{HSIC}(\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{v}}, Y)$$

- The **first-order and total-order HSIC-ANOVA indices** are then defined by:

$$\forall 1 \leq i \leq d, \quad S_i^{\text{HSIC}} := \frac{\text{HSIC}(X_i, Y)}{\text{HSIC}(\mathbf{X}, Y)} \quad \text{and} \quad T_i^{\text{HSIC}} := 1 - \frac{\text{HSIC}(\mathbf{X}_{-i}, Y)}{\text{HSIC}(\mathbf{X}, Y)}$$

- Each input kernel K_i must be an **ANOVA kernel**.
- ✓ $K_i = 1 + k_i$ with k_i an **orthogonal kernel**.

$$\forall x_i \in \mathcal{X}_i, \quad \int_{\mathcal{X}_i} k_i(x_i, z) d\mathbb{P}_{X_i}(z) = 0$$

Focus on Sobolev kernels

- The input variables X_1, \dots, X_d need to be **independent** and **uniformly distributed** on $[0,1]$.
- Sobolev kernels $K_{\text{Sob}}^r = 1 + k_{\text{Sob}}^r$ (with r a smoothing parameter) are then **orthogonal**.

$$\begin{aligned} K_{\text{Sob}}^r(x, x') &= 1 + \sum_{j=1}^r \frac{B_j(x)B_j(x')}{(j!)^2} + \frac{(-1)^{r+1}}{(2r)!} B_{2r}(|x - x'|) \\ &= 1 + k_A^r(x, x') + k_B^r(x, x') \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle \theta_{\text{Sob}}^r(x'), \theta_{\text{Sob}}^r(x) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_{\text{Sob}}^r} = 1 + \underbrace{\langle \varphi_A^r(x'), \varphi_A^r(x) \rangle_{\mathbb{R}^r}}_{\text{trivial feature map in } \mathbb{R}^r} + \underbrace{\langle \theta_B^r(x'), \theta_B^r(x) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_B^r}}_{\text{canonical feature map}}$$

1. The definition is based on **Bernoulli polynomials** $\rightarrow \int_0^1 B_k(t)dt = 0$ for all $k \geq 1$.
2. It is easy to see that $k_A^r(x, x') = \langle \varphi_A^r(x'), \varphi_A^r(x) \rangle_{\mathbb{R}^r}$ with $\varphi_A^r(x) = \left[\frac{B_j(x)}{j!} \right]_{1 \leq j \leq r}$.
3. Bochner's theorem cannot be applied because $k_B^r(x, x') = t_B^r(|x - x'|)$ with $t_B^r \notin L^2(\mathbb{R})$.

❑ How to find a unified feature map φ_{Sob}^r ?

Approach 1: kernel feature analysis

- Let \mathbb{P}_X be a probability measure on a compact domain \mathcal{X} .
- The **kernel integral operator** is defined by:

$$T_K : L^2(\mathcal{X}, \mathbb{P}_X) \longrightarrow L^2(\mathcal{X}, \mathbb{P}_X)$$

$$f \longmapsto T_K f \quad \text{with} \quad [T_K f](x) := \int_{\mathcal{X}} K(x, z) f(z) d\mathbb{P}_X(z)$$

Mercer's theorem

There exists an **orthonormal basis** $\{\phi_i\}_{i \in I}$ of $L^2(\mathcal{X}, \mathbb{P}_X)$ consisting of **eigenfunctions** of T_K . The associated eigenvalues $\{\lambda_i\}_{i \in I}$ are **non-negative**.

K admits the following representation:

$$K(x, x') = \sum_{i \in I} \lambda_i \phi_i(x) \phi_i(x') = \langle \varphi(x'), \varphi(x) \rangle_{\ell^2(I, \mathbb{R})}$$

and convergence is **absolute** and **uniform**. In addition, $\varphi(x) = [\sqrt{\lambda_i} \phi_i(x)]_{i \in I}$.

- An **infinite-dimensional eigenvalue problem** has to be solved $\rightarrow T_K \phi = \lambda \phi$ with $\lambda > 0$

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Kernel Feature Analysis (KFA) / Kernel PCA

- Let $\{x_j\}_{1 \leq j \leq n}$ be a n -sample of a random variable $X \sim \mathbb{P}_X$.
- Discretization leads to a **finite-dimensional eigenvalue problem**:

$$\mathbf{L}\mathbf{v} = (n\lambda)\mathbf{v} \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{L} = [K(x_i, x_j)]_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{v} = [\phi(x_i)]_{1 \leq i \leq n}$$

- Computation of the **eigenvalues** and **eigenvectors** of the Gram matrix \mathbf{L} .
 - ✓ Estimation of the n largest **eigenvalues** and **eigenfunctions** of T_K .

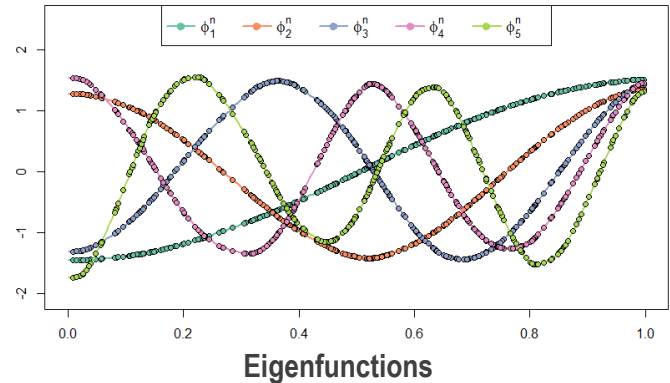
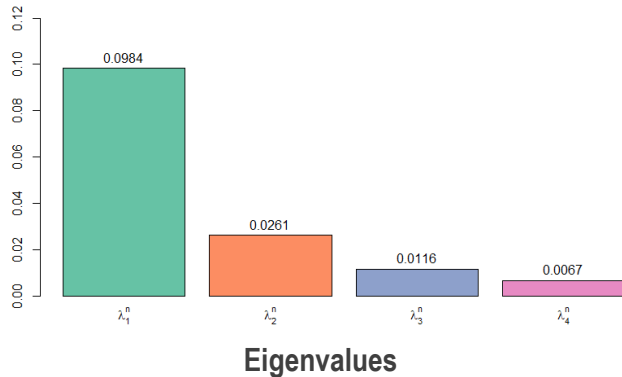
❑ What about Sobolev kernels k_{Sob}^r ?

1 Sobolev kernel with $r = 1$

$$\rightarrow \mathbb{P}_X = \mathbf{u}([0,1])$$

$$\rightarrow k_{Sob}^1(x, x') = B_1(x)B_1(x') + \frac{1}{2}B_2(|x - x'|)$$

□ What do the eigenfunctions look like?



➤ Conjecture: $\forall k \geq 1, \phi_k(t) = \sqrt{2} \cos(k\pi t)$

➤ Calculation by hand:

$$[T_{k_{Sob}^1} \phi_k](x_0) = \int_0^1 k_{Sob}^1(x_0, z) \phi_k(z) dz = \dots = \overbrace{\frac{1}{(k\pi)^2}}^{\lambda_k} \phi_k(x_0)$$

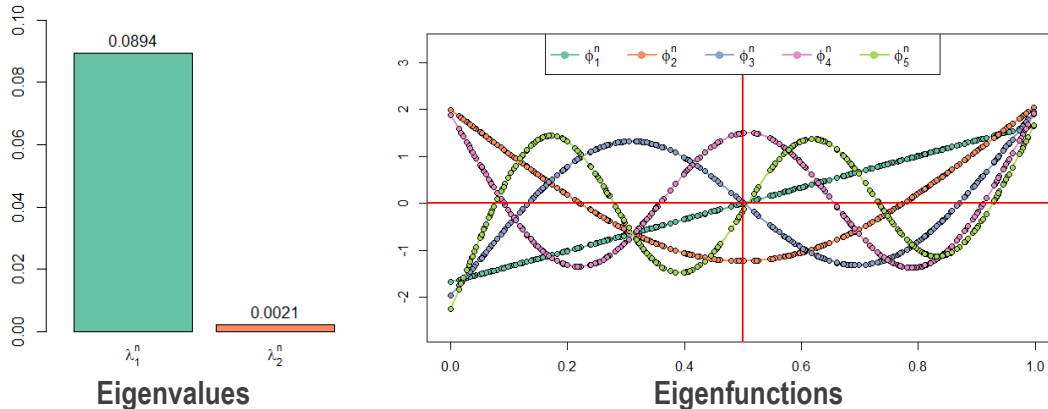
➤ Conclusion: $K_{Sob}^1(x, x') = 1 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(k\pi)^2} \cos(k\pi x) \cos(k\pi x')$

2 Sobolev kernel with $r = 2$

$$\rightarrow \mathbb{P}_X = \mathbf{u}([0,1])$$

$$\rightarrow k_{Sob}^2(x, x') = B_1(x)B_1(x') + \frac{1}{4}B_2(x)B_2(x') - \frac{1}{24}B_4(|x - x'|)$$

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➤ **Conjecture:** $\forall k \geq 1, \phi_k(t) = \sqrt{2k+1} L_k(2t-1)$ with L_k the k -th Legendre polynomial

➤ **Calculation by hand:** this is a numerical illusion!

$$\checkmark \lambda_1 \gg \lambda_2 \text{ and } \phi_1 \text{ pseudo-linear} \rightarrow K_{Sob}^2(x, x') \approx 1 + 12 \lambda_1 \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(x' - \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

➤ **Conclusion:** K_{Sob}^2 is very close to the **dot-product kernel**.

Approach 2: transformation into a Cauchy problem

- Any eigenfunction ϕ of $T_{k_{Sob}^r}$ is infinitely differentiable on $[0,1]$. We proved that:

$$T_{k_{Sob}^r} \phi = \lambda \phi$$

$$\iff \lambda \phi^{[2r]} + (-1)^{r+1} \phi = 0 \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} \phi^{[r]}(0) = \phi^{[r]}(1) = 0 \\ \forall 0 \leq p \leq r-2, (-1)^{r+p} (\phi^{[p]}(1) - \phi^{[p]}(0)) = \phi^{[2r-p-1]}(0) \\ \forall 0 \leq p \leq r-2, \phi^{[2r-p-1]}(0) = \phi^{[2r-p-1]}(1) \end{cases}$$

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1 Sobolev kernel with $r = 1$

$$(\mathcal{C}_1) : \lambda \phi''(t) + \phi(t) = 0 \quad \text{with} \quad \phi'(0) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \phi'(1) = 0$$

- There are solutions to (\mathcal{C}_1) if and only if $\lambda \in \left(\frac{1}{(k\pi)^2} \right)_{k \geq 1}$.
- Analytical resolution yields $\phi_k(t) = \sqrt{2} \cos(k\pi t) \rightarrow$ consistent with KFA!

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$$(\mathcal{C}_2) : \lambda \phi^{[4]}(t) - \phi(t) = 0 \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} \phi''(0) = \phi''(1) = 0 \\ \phi(1) - \phi(0) = \phi^{[3]}(0) = \phi^{[3]}(1) \end{cases}$$

- The eigenfunctions are actually **not polynomials**.
- We cannot go further! There is **no closed-form expression** for these eigenvalues.

Approach 3: series expansions of Bernoulli polynomials

$$K_{\text{Sob}}^r(x, x') = 1 + k_A^r(x, x') + k_B^r(x, x') \quad \text{with} \quad k_B^r(x, x') = \frac{(-1)^{r+1}}{(2r)!} B_{2r}(|x - x'|)$$

$$\forall n \geq 2, \quad \forall 0 \leq x \leq 1, \quad B_n(x) = (-2) \times n! \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(2k\pi x - \frac{n\pi}{2})}{(2k\pi)^n}$$

➤ With this in mind, it is straightforward to see that:

$$\begin{aligned} k_B^r(x, x') &= 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2k\pi)^{2r}} \left[\cos(2k\pi x) \cos(2k\pi x') + \sin(2k\pi x) \sin(2k\pi x') \right] \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \lambda_k c_k(x) c_k(x') + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \lambda_k s_k(x) s_k(x') \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} \lambda_k & := \frac{1}{(2k\pi)^{2r}} \\ c_k(t) & := \sqrt{2} \cos(2k\pi t) \\ s_k(t) & := \sqrt{2} \sin(2k\pi t) \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

1. Explicit feature map φ_B^r of k_B^r in $\ell^2(\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{R})$. It can be combined with φ_A^r which arrives in \mathbb{R}^r .
2. The functions $(c_k)_{k \geq 1}$ and $(s_l)_{l \geq 1}$ are orthonormal. This is the [Mercer decomposition](#) of k_B^r .
3. For $j \geq 1$, (c_j, s_j) is one orthonormal basis for the 2-dimensional eigenspace of λ_j .

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➤ **Global feature map** from $[0,1]$ in $\ell^2(\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{R})$ that explicits feature functions:

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- The RKHS contains all Bernoulli polynomials, hence all polynomials:

$$\boxed{B_0 = 1 \in \text{Span}(\{1\})} \quad ; \quad \boxed{B_1, \dots, B_r \in \mathcal{H}_A^r} \quad ; \quad \boxed{(B_k)_{k \geq r+1} \in \mathcal{H}_B^r}$$

- [Stone-Weierstrass theorem](#) → the polynomials are dense in $C([0,1])$.

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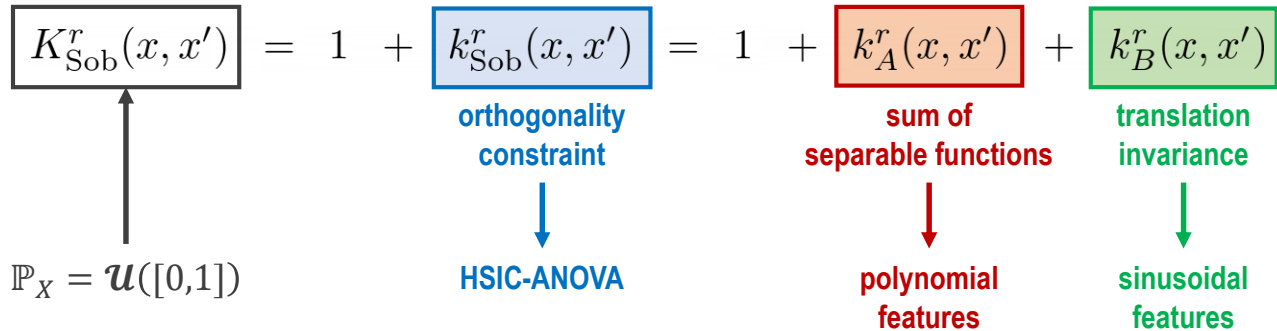
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➤ Sobolev kernels K_{Sob}^r are **characteristic**.

✓ First-order **HSIC-ANOVA indices** allow to detect independence:

$$\boxed{S_i^{\text{HSIC}} = 0 \iff \text{HSIC}(X_i, Y) = 0 \iff X_i \perp Y}$$

What must be remembered about Sobolev kernels?



- They are **CHARACTERISTIC** and they therefore can be used to build **tests of independence**.

1 Sobolev kernel with $r = 1$

- The joint effect of k_A^1 and k_B^1 results in sinusoidal features.

2 Sobolev kernel with $r = 2$ → It behaves like the dot-product kernel.

- The eigenvalues of $T_{k_B^2}$ have a faster decay speed ($1/k^4$ instead of $1/k^2$).
- The sinusoidal features vanish. They are replaced by polynomial-like features.

**MUST NOT
BE USED**

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