







Strengthened Regression Models through Response Variable Bounds

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MOTIVATION

 Leverage more information than just sampled data when building a surrogate model



LEAST SQUARES REGRESSION

- Ordinary least squares regression
 - Chooses regression coefficients based on a set of data points
- Generate a model for response,

 $\hat{y}(x) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \beta_2 x^2 + \beta_3 \exp(x) + \dots$

Ordinary least squares regression problem

$$\min_{\beta} \quad \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left(y_i - \hat{y}(x_i) \right)^2$$

$$\min_{\beta} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left(y_i - \left[\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \beta_2 x_i^2 + \beta_3 \exp(x_i) + \ldots \right] \right)^2 \\
Optimization variables$$

CONSTRAINED REGRESSION

- What if more information is known of a less exact nature?
 - Leverage all information available to the modeler
- Explicit restrictions placed on regressors
 - Often times logical bounds on regressors can be found by inspection and/or analysis
 - Ex: Physical constants

$$k = \beta_0 \exp\left(\frac{\beta_1}{T}\right), \quad \beta_1 \le 0 \to \text{Activation energy, positive}$$

- Relationships between parameters can be found by inspection or analysis
 - Ex: Intuitive relationships

$$H = \beta_0 + \beta_1 T^{\mathrm{in}} + \beta_2 T^{\mathrm{out}} + \dots$$

 $\beta_2 - \beta_1 \ge 0 \rightarrow$ Heat capacity, nonegative

P. S. Knopov and A. S. Korkhin. Regression analysis under a priori parameter restrictions. Vol. 54. Springer, 2011.

ADDING EXPLICIT CONSTRAINTS

Adding in explicit constraints is rather straight forward,

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$$\min_{\beta} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left(H_i - \left[\beta_0 + \beta_1 T_i^{\text{in}} + \beta_2 T_i^{\text{out}} + \ldots \right] \right)^2$$

s.t. $\beta_2 - \beta_1 > 0$

CONSTRAINED REGRESSION

- What if more information is known of a less exact nature?
 - Leverage all information available to the modeler
- Restrictions implied by constraints on dependent variables
 - Implied by bounds on dependent variable



 $0 \leq [\mathbf{A}]_t \leq [\mathbf{A}]^{\max}$

Implied by constraints on dependent variable



 $F_{\rm out}(F_{\rm in}) \leq F_{\rm in}$

ADDING IMPLIED CONSTRAINTS

 Adding in constraints implied by dependent variable bounds is less straight forward,

Generate a model for y given that $y^l \leq y \leq y^u$

 $\hat{y}(x) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \beta_2 x^2 + \dots$

$$\min_{\beta} \quad \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left(y_i - \left[\beta_0 + \beta_1 \, x + \beta_2 x^2 + \ldots \right] \right)^2$$

s.t. $y^l \leq \beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \beta_2 x^2 + \ldots \leq y^u$ $\forall x$

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 $\forall j \in \text{Bounding set}$

IMPLEMENTATION

Generate a model for y given that $y^l \leq y \leq y^u$ $\hat{y}(x) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \beta_2 x^2 + \dots$ Start Build surrogate model Search for violation: Add x^{viol} x^{viol} s.t. $\hat{y}(x^{\text{viol}}) \notin [y^l, y^u]$ to the bounding set yes Does some x^{viol} exist? no End

Build an initial model



- Build an initial model
- Locate areas that violate output bounds



 Rebuild the model ensuring the output is within bounds at the bounding points



Bounding points

NON STATIONARITY



- Rebuild the model ensuring the output is within bounds at the bounding points
- Search for additional violation points



- Rebuild the model ensuring the output is within bounds at the bounding points
- Ensure that no violation points remain



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TESTING PLATFORM

- We will test this implementation on an existing software: ALAMO
- ALAMO (Automated Learning of Algebraic Models for Optimization)
 - Iteratively sample and model black box systems as algebraic model that
 - Accurate
 - We want to reflect the true nature of the simulation
 - Simple
 - Low-complexity models

$$\hat{f}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \gamma_i \exp\left(\frac{\|x\|}{\sigma^2}\right) + \beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \dots$$
$$\hat{f}(x) = \beta_1 x + \beta_2 x^2 + \beta_3 x^3 + \beta_4 e^x$$

- Generated from a minimal data set
 - Reduce experimental and simulation requirements



















SMALL EXMAPLE – CARBON CAPTURE



- Dependent variable and range
 - Fraction of CO2 remove from the gas stream

$$r^{\rm CO_2}(L^{\rm bed}, F^{\rm cw}) = f_1(L^{\rm bed}, F^{\rm cw})$$
 $0.10 \le r^{\rm CO_2} \le 0.4$

Independent variable and range

 $1 \text{ m} \leq L^{\text{bed}} \leq 10 \text{ m}$



- Constrained ALAMO



The constrained ALAMO model is able to stay within the bounds















CONCLUSIONS

- Constrained optimization provides a new avenue to provide a model with a priori information
 - Include more information in your model without additional sampling
 - Reduced the sampling required for an accurate model
- Ensure a more robust model by using output bounds as a "reality" check on the model

Future work,

- More complex solution manifolds
 - Nonlinear constraints on regressors
 - Nonlinear feasible domain for output variables
- Simultaneous model generation and constraints
 - Restrictions implied by constraints on multiple outputs
 - Ex: Sum-to-one constraints

STANDARD BASIS FUNCTION SELECTION

$$\min \underbrace{SE = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left| z_i - \sum_{j \in \mathcal{B}} \beta_j X_{ij} \right|}_{\text{s.t.} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{B}} y_j = T}$$

$$= U(1 - y_j) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{N} X_{ij} \left(z^i - \sum_{j \in \mathcal{B}} \beta_j X_{ij} \right) \leq U(1 - y_j) \quad j \in \mathcal{B}$$

$$\beta^l y_j \leq \beta_j \leq \beta^u y_j \qquad j \in \mathcal{B}$$

$$y_j = \{0, 1\} \qquad j \in \mathcal{B}$$

BASIS FUNCTION SELECTION



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