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Multi-fidelity No-U-Turn Sampling SIAM CSE 2023

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Flowchart





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Adaptively add points where gain of information (*I*) is maximized, which corresponds to finding maximum posterior variance:

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Example: Adaptivity





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$$\alpha_{\mathsf{MFNUTS}}(\tilde{\theta}|\theta) = \min\left\{1, \frac{\min\left\{1, \frac{p_s(\theta, r)}{p_s(\tilde{\theta}, \tilde{r})}\right\} \pi_L(\tilde{\theta})}{\min\left\{1, \frac{p_s(\tilde{\theta}, \tilde{r})}{p_s(\theta, r)}\right\} \pi_L(\theta)}\right\}$$

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Rosenbrock function

$$\pi_1(\theta_1, \theta_2) = \exp(-12(\theta_2 - \theta_1^2 - 1)^2 + (\theta_1 - 1)^2)$$

$$\pi_2(\theta_1, \theta_2) = \exp(-15(\theta_2 - \theta_1^2)^2 + (\theta_1 - 1)^2)$$



GP surrogate using 50 high-fidelity points and 200 low-fidelity points.

Rosenbrock: Samples





Rosenbrock: mESS vs Computational cost





8 dimensional correlated Gaussian



HF function: 8 dimensional correlated gaussian with zero mean LF function: 8 dimensional gaussian with identity matrix as covariance GP surrogate using 100 high-fidelity and 500 low-fidelity evaluations

8-d Gaussian: mESS vs Computational cost





Steady state groundwater flow

Let us consider a two-dimensional zero-dirichlet steady state groundwater flow problem with source term S(X) and diffusion coefficient $\kappa(X)$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial X}\left(\kappa(X)\frac{\partial u}{\partial X}\right)=S(X)$$

For this problem, we consider constant $\kappa(X) = 1$ and following source term

$$S(X) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} S_i(X) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \theta_i \mathcal{N}(\mu_i, \sigma_i^2)$$





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- Infer the intensity of source term θ given the observations u(x) at nine probe points marked by orange dots.
- Data is generated by solving the PDE using $\theta = \{0.75, 1.25, 0.8, 1.2\}$ and adding gaussian noise with standard deviation 0.01.
- PDE is solved using open source FEM solver FEniCS⁷
- IF mesh size 8×8 , HF mesh size 64×64
- GP surrogate 70 high-fidelity and 450 low-fidelity evaluations





⁷M. S. Alnaes, J. Blechta, J. Hake, A. Johansson, B. Kehlet, A. Logg, C. Richardson, J. Ring, M. E. Rognes and G. N. Wells. The FEniCS Project Version 1.5, Archive of Numerical Software 3 (2015).







Mean of samples is [0.87, 1.25, 0.92, 1.25]

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- MF-NUTS outperforms traditional single fidelity methods.
- We were able to save considerable computational resources by delegating the gradient evaluation to the surrogate.
- The performance of the method depends upon the accuracy of the surrogate.
- One can also use other surrogates.
- Delayed Rejection can be added to further improve the effective sample size.
- Code:https://github.com/KislayaRavi/MuDaFuGP





Thank You! Questions and Feedbacks