Posterior Predictive Modeling Using Multi-Scale Stochastic Inverse Parameter Estimates

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Multi-Scale Modeling Motivation

Data collected at one level informs values at other levels
Multiscale random fields with averaging “link” between them

Infer statistical summaries of the fine-scale, conditional on the observations at two scales, and generate fine-scale realizations that could plausibly reproduce them.
Two Scales

Model domain 3x2km, Coarse Scale: 30x20 cells, Continuous variables

True F field

True Coarse K field

20 Well Locations

F = proportion of high conductivity

Fine Scale:
Binary Media
3000x2000 cells
Measured travel times to 20 sensors

Injector in lower left
Producer in upper right

True binary fine-scale K field with example particle tracks
Inversion

\[ \zeta \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Gamma) \] multiGaussian process – defines spatially varying proportion field

\[ \Gamma_{ij} = C(x_i, x_j) = a \exp(-|x_i - x_j|^2/b^2) \]

\[ F(x) = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \text{erf} \left( \frac{\zeta(x)}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right) \] Definition of Gaussian cdf provides transform between \( \zeta \) and \( F \)

\[ K_e = L(F(x), \delta, K_1, K_2) \] Link function provides \( K \) at the coarse scale

\[ t^0_b = M(K_e) \] Flow model operating on fine scale \( K \) provides travel times

\[ d_i = \{K(x)^0, t^1_b\} \quad i = 1, \ldots, Ns \]
Binary mixtures are modeled using truncated Gaussian fields. New upscaling function uses proportions (tied to truncation threshold) and average estimated distances between inclusions to estimate upscaled effective permeability.

McKenna, et al., (in review), Truncated MultiGaussian Fields and Effective Conductance of Binary Media, Submitted: November, 2010
Link Function Results

New function is TG-DBU (Truncated Gaussian – Distance Based Upscaling)

Results compare well with DBU and another EMT-based approach

Numerical results are the average of 30 realizations

For results shown today, model errors are assumed mean zero and i.i.d.

**H53E-1073: The Effect of Error Models in the Multiscale Inversion of Binary Permeability Fields**
Bayesian Inference

\[ P(\zeta, \delta \mid d) \propto P(d \mid \zeta, \delta) \pi(\delta) \]

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P(\zeta, \delta \mid d) \propto \exp\left( -\frac{[e_k(\zeta) - \mu_k]^T[e_k(\zeta) - \mu_k]}{\sigma_k^2 N_s} \right) \exp\left( -\frac{[e_t(\zeta) - \mu_t]^T[e_t(\zeta) - \mu_t]}{\sigma_t^2 N_s} \right) \pi(\zeta) \pi(\delta)
\]

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P(w, \delta \mid d) \propto \exp\left( -\frac{[e_k(w) - \mu_k]^T[e_k(w) - \mu_k]}{\sigma_k^2 N_s} \right) \exp\left( -\frac{[e_t(w) - \mu_t]^T[e_t(w) - \mu_t]}{\sigma_t^2 N_s} \right) \pi(\delta) \prod_{i=1}^{M} \exp(-w_i^2)
\]

Parameterize the Gaussian process: \( \zeta \), using Karhunen-Loeve decomposition with 30 coefficients, \( w \)’s

Use MCMC with delayed rejection adaptive Metropolis (DRAM) sampling to estimate 10,000 realizations of the 30 KL coefficients and the single FWHM parameter

Posterior pdf of FWHM
Estimated Proportion (F) Fields

- MCMC runs met convergence diagnostics
- Results obtained with 1,500,000 iterations
  - Approximately 50 hours on workstation
  - Results in 9500 realizations of proportion field

Comparison of posterior pdfs for seven points on proportion field
Posterior Evaluation

Inferred coarse-scale F fields and FWHM values provide information necessary to create fine-scale binary fields

\[ Z = (-1.0) \ast G^{-1}(f; 0, 1) \]

If \((MG - Z > 0.0)\), Binary = 1, else 0

Coarse scale estimation provides the proportion of high permeability material within each coarse cell

Convolution of fine-scale uncorrelated field with estimated kernel produces smoothly varying field that is truncated to a binary field by Z-field
### Performance Measures

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**Cell by Cell = Map**

- Cell by cell estimation of median travel time and over/under estimation
- Field by field estimation of median travel time and travel time distribution

**Field by Field = CDF**

- Cell by cell estimation of median travel time and over/under estimation
- Field by field estimation of median travel time and travel time distribution

Coarse Data Only = 20 coarse K measurements

Coarse and Fine Data = 20 coarse K measurements and 20 fine-scale travel times
Coarse Field Estimation

Proportion Errors
AAE, Coarse Only, Proportion

Log10 (K) Errors
AAE, Coarse Only, log10(K)

Coarse Data Only

Coarse & Fine Data

Coarse scale performance across 100 realizations evaluated at every cell
Coarse Scale Evaluation

Coarse scale performance across 100 realizations evaluated for every field
Median Travel Time Estimation

Coarse Data Only
Log10 Median Travel Times, True Field

Coarse & Fine Data
Log10 Median Travel Times, True Field

True times (log10)

Log10 AAE of Median Travel Times

AAE of Times (log10)

Fraction of Medians ⇐ True

Fraction Under Estimation
Distributions of the spatial average of the AAE of the median times (one value per realization)

Adding fine-scale data maintains small travel time error even for scenario of flipped source and sink locations
Accuracy and Precision at Sensors

Circle Radius = 95% Empirical CI in units of normalized time (pore volumes injected)

All distributions are accurate for the original case
All distributions using Coarse are accurate for the “flipped” case
  16 of 20 are accurate when Coarse and Fine data are used
For almost all locations in both cases, adding fine-scale data decreases the CI width
Another Look

What causes decrease in variability when fine-scale data are added?

Representation of coarse field with 30 KL coefficients is excessive – only the first 10-15 KL coefficients have posterior distributions that differ from priors. Coarse data don’t impact fine-scale variability.

Adding fine-scale data changes things – all 30 posteriors are significantly different than priors.

Inversion with either data set is robust to changes in the locations of the source and sink.
Summary

• Demonstrated approach to multi-scale stochastic inversion
  – Computationally feasible by constraining Bayesian estimation to coarse scale and limiting estimated parameters with KL decomposition
  – Link function designed to work on binary media and incorporate inclusion size directly
  – Posterior distributions are accurate (all) and precise (Coarse & Fine data)
  – Estimations are robust w.r.t. to change in flow

• Future Work:
  – Incorporate increased resolution of link function error
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