



## Introduction (I)

- Gaussian Process Models (GPM) have been widely applied for various pattern recognition tasks
- We identified three kinds of GPMs
  - i. Default instantiation
  - ii. Domain-specific instantiations
  - iii. Automatically retrieved GPM given arbitrary data
- GPM Evaluation and Application usually suffers from  $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$  complexity



### **Automatic GPM Retrieval – Formalization**

- Gaussian Process:  $f \sim GP(m, k)$
- Marginalizing  $GP_{\theta}$  for certain data D yields:

$$\mathcal{L}(m, k, \theta | D) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot [(y - \mu)^T K^{-1} (y - \mu) + \log |K| + n2\pi],$$

• Goal: find best  $GP_{\theta}^* \in \mathbb{G}$  for D

$$\mathbb{G} = \{GP_{\theta}(m, k) | m \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{X}}, k \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X}} \in \mathbb{R}, \theta \in \Theta\}$$

Automatic GPM Retrieval is defined as follows:

$$GP_{\theta}^* = \operatorname{argmax}_{GP_{\theta}^*(m,k) \in \mathcal{G}} \mathcal{L}(m,k,\theta|D), \mathcal{G} \subset \mathbb{G}$$



## **Concatenated Composite Covariance Search (3CS)**

Covariance function is partitioned by means of change points  $T = \{\tau_i\}_{i=1}^a$ :

$$\mathcal{K}(x, x' | \{k_i\}_{i=1}^a, T) = \sum_{i=1}^a k_i(x, x') \cdot 1_{\tau_{i-1} < x \le \tau_i}(x) \cdot 1_{\tau_{i-1} < x' \le \tau_i}(x')$$

We define the virtual search space as follows:

$$\mathcal{G}_T = \{GP_{\theta}(m,k) | m \in 0^{\mathcal{X}}, k = \mathcal{K}(\cdot, \cdot | \{k_i | k_i \in \mathcal{S}\}_{i=1}^a, T), \theta \in \Theta\}$$

$$\mathcal{S} = \left\{ \sum \prod b \mid b \in \mathcal{B} \right\}$$

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Algorithm 1 3CS
  1: function (D, \mathcal{B}, c, w)
           K = \emptyset, T = \emptyset
           left = 0, right = max(w, n)
           while left < n do
                 D_i = \{X[\text{left}, \text{right}], Y[\text{left}, \text{right}]\}
                 \tau^* = \arg\max \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{K}(\cdot, \cdot | \{k_{\mathbf{WN}}^l, k_{\mathbf{WN}}^r\}, \{\tau\}) | D_i)
                if \tau^* \neq \stackrel{\tau \in X_i}{\text{left}} \wedge \tau^* \neq \text{right then}
                       D_i = \{X[\operatorname{left}, \tau^*], Y[\operatorname{left}, \tau^*]\}
                       k^* = \arg \max \mathcal{L}(k \mid D_i)
                       K = K \cup \{k^*\}, T = T \cup \{\tau^*\}
                       left = \tau^*, right = \tau^* + w
                 else
                       right = right + w
                 end if
           end while
           T = T \cup \{x_1, x_n\}
            return \mathcal{K}(\cdot,\cdot \mid K,T)
18: end function
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#### **Evaluation**

- Eight Benchmark Datasets were used
  - 144 2M data records
- 3CS outperforms state-of-the-art algorithms with regards to runtime and model accuracy
- 3CS proves to be **scalable** to large datasets, while maintaining model quality

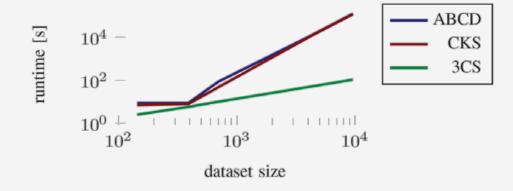


Fig. 4. Runtime for different state-of-the-art algorithms.

	Runtime		
Dataset	Parallel	Non-Parallel	MSE
GEFCOM	0:00:48	0:02:34	0.032
Jena Weather	0:06:11	0:21:19	0.007
Household Energy	0:37:58	1:30:24	0.013

TABLE III
EFFICIENCY AND ACCURACY OF THE 3CS ALGORITHM ON LARGE-SCALE
DATASETS



#### **Conclusions and Future Work**

- In this paper:
  - We proposed the *Concatenated Composite Covariance Search (3CS)* algorithm
  - We evaluated that algorithm's capabilities by means of eight benchmark datasets and compared its performance to given state-ofthe-art methods
- As future work, we plan to incorporate global approximations into the procedure, develop domain-specific adaptations and include prior knowledge into the retrieval process



# Thanks for your attention!

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