A Linear-Time Kernel Goodness-of-Fit Test

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Data = robbery eventsin Chicago in 2016.



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- n = 11957 robbery events in Chicago in 2016.
 - lat/long coordinates = sample from q.
- Model spatial density with Gaussian mixtures.



Model p = 2-component Gaussian mixture.



Score surface



\star = optimized **v**.



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Model p = 10-component Gaussian mixture.
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Capture the right tail better.

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Learned test locations are interpretable.

Conclusions

Proposed a new goodness-of-fit test.

- 1 Nonparametric. Normalizer not needed.
- 2 Linear-time
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Poster #57 tonight Python code: https://github.com/wittawatj/kernel-gof







Thank you

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FSSD is a Discrepancy Measure

Theorem 1.

Let $V = {\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_J} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ be drawn i.i.d. from a distribution η which has a density. Let \mathcal{X} be a connected open set in \mathbb{R}^d . Assume

- 1 (Nice RKHS) Kernel $k: \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \to \mathbb{R}$ is C_0 -universal, and real analytic.
- 2 (Stein witness not too rough) $\|g\|_k^2 < \infty$.
- 3 (Finite Fisher divergence) $\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim q} \| \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log \frac{p(\mathbf{x})}{q(\mathbf{x})} \|^2 < \infty$.
- 4 (Vanishing boundary) $\lim_{\|\mathbf{x}\| \to \infty} p(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}.$

Then, for any $J \ge 1$, η -almost surely

 $FSSD^2 = 0$ if and only if p = q.

Gaussian kernel $k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) = \exp\left(-\frac{\|\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{v}\|_2^2}{2\sigma_k^2}\right)$ works.

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LKS test statistic is a "running average"

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- Both unbiased. LKS has $\mathcal{O}(d^2n)$ runtime.
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- p = Gaussian. q = Laplace. Same mean and variance. High-order moments differ.
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