

# Shape Invariant Model: a bayesian point of view

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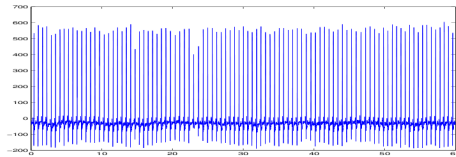
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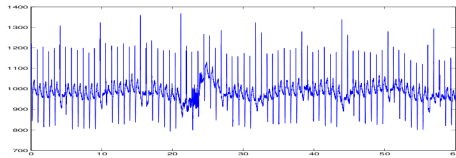
## I - 1 Motivations: biological applications

**Problem:** We are interested in a situation where some data share a **common feature shape**.

Normal and Arrhythmic records of an ECG dataset.



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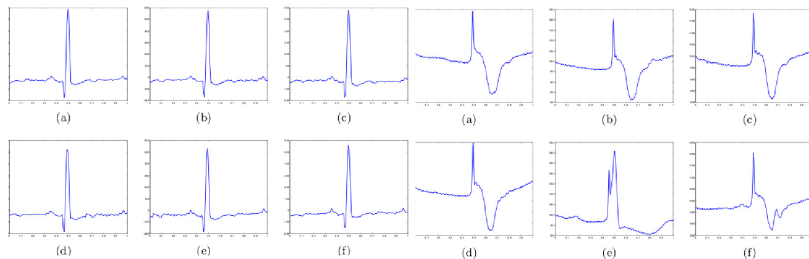


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Source: *J. Bigot 2013, Fréchet means of curves for signal averaging and application to ECG data analysis, An. App. Stat.*

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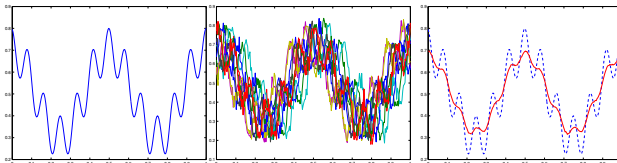
## Zoom on the ECG Dataset ”



Left: Standard cycles / Right: Arrhythmic cycles  
In each cluster, the signals share a common shape..

# I - 1 Motivations: Signal processing

## Mean shape estimation ?



Standard approaches fail for deformed signals:  $\bar{Y}^n$  is not convincing.

## I - 2 Statistical deformable model

**Principle:** Each signal is a random deformation of a common shape through a group geometrical deformation.

**Model:** Each observation  $Y_m : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $m = 1, \dots, n$  is given by

$$Y_m(x) = \mathbf{f} \circ \phi_m(x) + \epsilon W_m(x), \quad x \in \Omega, \text{ where}$$

- ▶  $\mathbf{f} : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is the mean shape
- ▶  $\phi_m$ : random deformations (variation around the common shape  $\mathbf{f}$ ).
- ▶  $W_m$  is an additive centered noise independent on  $\phi_m$ .
- ▶ Noise level  $\epsilon$  fixed or going to zero.

**In this talk:** Can we recover  $\mathbf{f}$  and  $\phi_m$  when  $n \rightarrow +\infty$  ?

## I - 3 Mathematical statistics

**Toy model** : Observation of randomly shifted periodic curves

$Y_m : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $m = 1, \dots, n$  in a white noise model

$$(SIM) \quad dY_m(x) = f(x - \tau_m)dx + dW_m(x), \text{ where } x \in [0, 1] \quad (1)$$

- ▶  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is 1-periodic
- ▶  $\tau_m$  are i.i.d. random translations whose law is  $g$
- ▶  $W_m$  are brownian trajectories independent on the shifts  $\tau_m$

**Unconsistency of the empirical mean** : let  $n \rightarrow +\infty$

$$\bar{Y}^n(x) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{m=1}^n Y_m(x) \rightarrow \mathbb{E}f(x - \tau_1) = \int f(x - \tau)g(\tau)d\tau = f \star g(x) \neq f(x)$$

**Estimation in the SIM when  $n \rightarrow +\infty$  of  $f$ ,  $(\tau_m)_{m=1 \dots n}$  and  $g$ .**

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## II Alignment or deconvolution (frequentist)

Results of J. Bigot, S. Gadat, and coauthors.

## II-1-a Fréchet empirical mean

$$(SIM) \quad dY_m(x) = f(x - \tau_m)dx + dW_m(x)$$

- ▶ Compute an estimator of  $\tau_j$  and its inverse to obtain  $-\hat{\tau}_j$ .
- ▶ Align the signals  $Y_m$  and take the average:

$$\bar{Y}^n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j \cdot \hat{g}_j^{-1} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j(x + \hat{\tau}_j).$$

- ▶ Such an estimation is related to a distance associated with  $G$ : if  $G = [0, 1]$  acts on  $f \in L^2_{per}([0, 1])$ :  $g_\theta \cdot f(t) = f(t - \theta)$ , we define  $d_G$ :

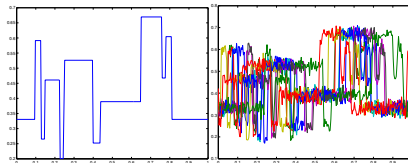
$$d_G^2(Y, h) := \inf_{g \in G} d_E^2(Y, g \cdot h) = \inf_{\tau \in [0, 1]} \int_0^1 |Y(x) - h(x - \tau)|^2 dx$$

Fréchet Mean  $d_G$  is  $\bar{Y}^n \in \operatorname{argmin}_{h \in \mathcal{H}} \sum_j d_G^2(Y_j, h)$ .

## II-1-c 1-Dimension example

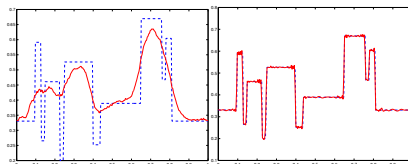
Données :

Signal  $f$  / Sample of 10 among  $n = 200$



Euclidean mean

Alignment mean



BG '10

## II-1-c 2-Dimension example

**Euclidean mean**

**Alignment mean**



## II-2-a Reliability of the Alignment procedures

**Model:**  $dY_j(t) = f(t - \tau_j^*)dt + \epsilon dW_j(t)$ , white noise and  $\tau_j^*$  i.i.d.  $\sim g$ .

Identifiability of the model if we assume that

- ▶ ( $H_g$ ):  $g$  is a centered and compactly supported in  $\mathbb{T} = [-\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}]$  distribution.
- ▶ ( $H_f$ ):  $f$  satisfies  $c_1(f) > 0$

Theorem i) The Frechet empirical mean procedure satisfies

$$\mathbb{P} \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=2}^n (\hat{\tau}_j - \tau_j^*)^2 \geq C(f, \epsilon, n, t, g) \right) \leq 3 \exp(-t), \quad (2)$$

**BUT**  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} C(f, \epsilon, n, t, g) > 0$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty, \epsilon \rightarrow 0} C(f, \epsilon, n, t, g) > 0$ .

iii) Whatever  $(\hat{\tau}_1, \dots, \hat{\tau}_n)$  estimators of true shifts  $(\tau_1^*, \dots, \tau_n^*)$  are:

$$\mathbb{E} \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n (\hat{\tau}_j - \tau_j^*)^2 \right) \geq \frac{\epsilon^2}{\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} (2\pi k)^2 |c_k(f)|^2 + \epsilon^2 \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log g(\tau) \right)^2 g(\tau) d\tau} > 0.$$

iii)

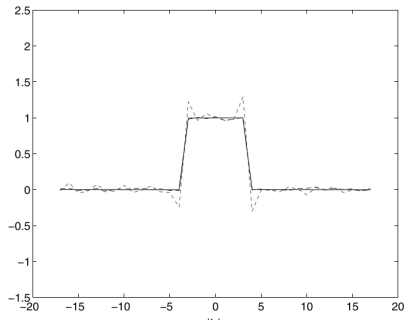
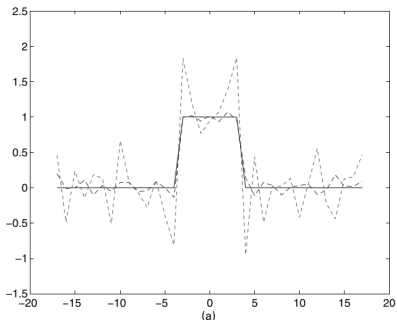
$$\mathbb{E} \left\| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n f(\cdot - \hat{\tau}_j + \tau_j^*) - f \right\|_2^2 \geq C \epsilon^2 \frac{c_1(f)^2}{\|f'\|_2 + \epsilon^2 I(g)} > 0.$$

Tools: Bernstein's Inequality for i), van Tree's Inequality for ii) and iii).

## II-2-b Reliability of the Alignment procedures

Source: [Allasonniere et al, JRSS B'07]

(——): true pattern, (- - - -) : Warping estimator, (- - -) : other estimator



Oppositely to the previous Fréchet mean experiment, this signal is **slightly more regular**... The Fréchet mean fails.

## II-3-a Deconvolution

**Hypothesis:** We assume that  $g$  is known.

**Aim :** Estimation of  $f$  and frequentist minimax risk of the  $L^2$  loss

$$\mathbb{R}_n(\mathbb{F}) = \inf_{\hat{f}_n} \sup_{f \in \mathbb{F}} \mathbb{R}(\hat{f}_n, f), \text{ where } \mathbb{R}(\hat{f}_n, f) = \mathbb{E} \|\hat{f}_n - f\|^2$$

**Without any deformation:** If  $\mathbb{F} = H^s(A)$ , we have  $\mathbb{R}_n(\mathbb{F}) \sim C_A n^{-\frac{2s}{2s+1}}$  **Deconvolution**  
? The expectation of each curve is

$$\mathbb{E} [f(x - \tau_j)] = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x - \tau)g(\tau)d\tau = f \star g(x)$$

and the empirical averaging is

$$dY(x) = f \star g(x)dx + \underbrace{\xi(x)dx}_{\text{Non Gaussian}} + \underbrace{\frac{\epsilon}{\sqrt{n}}dW(x)}_{\text{Gaussian}}, \quad x \in [0, 1].$$

## II-3-b Deconvolution estimation

On the Sobolev ball

$$H_s(A) = \left\{ f \in L^2([0, 1]) ; \sum_{\ell \in \mathbb{Z}} (1 + |\ell|^{2s}) |\theta_\ell|^2 \leq A, \right\} \text{ avec } A > 0, s > 0$$

Theorem (BG, A.O.S. '10)

i) We can build an adaptive (in  $s$ ) frequentist estimator with Meyer wavelets such that

$$\sup_{f \in H_s(A)} \mathbb{R}(\hat{f}_n, f) = O(n^{-\frac{2s}{2s+2\nu+1}} \log n)$$

ii) Moreover, if  $s > \nu + 1/2 > 1$ , one has

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} n^{\frac{2s}{2s+2\nu+1}} \mathbb{R}_n(H_s(A)) \geq C(A, s).$$

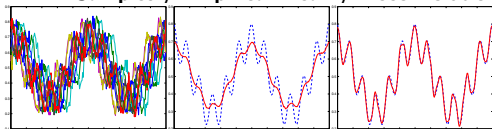
The  $L^2$  minimal loss is optimal. The least favorable case is the "uniform" law for  $g \dots$  Tools:

- ▶ i) Concentration / Hard Thresholding
- ▶ ii) Girsanov's formula & Assouad's Lemma with very annoying computations (!)



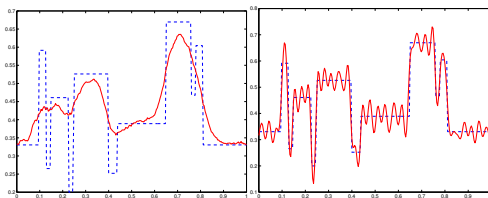
## II - 3 - c Numerical deconvolution

Samples / Empirical mean / Deconvolution

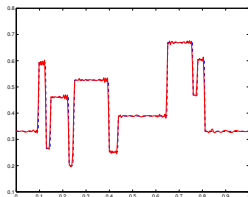


Empirical mean

Deconvolution



Empirical Fréchet mean



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## III - 1 - a Bayesian approach: "last chance"?

► **Model:**

$$dY_j(x) = f^0(x - \tau_j)dx + \epsilon dW_j(x),$$

where  $(\tau_j) i.i.d. \sim g^0$  and  $f^0, g^0$  are unknown and belong to non parametric space.

- **Bayesian approach:** Define a prior law  $\pi_1$  on  $f^0$  and  $\pi_2$  on  $g^0$ , use the posterior to build estimators of  $f^0$  and  $g^0$ .

$$\pi := (\pi_1 \otimes \pi_2) \text{ et } \pi_n := \pi[ \cdot | Y_1^n ]$$

► **Frequentists questions:**

**Question 1:** When  $n \mapsto +\infty$ ,  $\pi_n \mapsto \mathbb{P}_{f^0, g^0}$ ?

**Question 2:** What is the contraction rate around  $\mathbb{P}_{f^0, g^0}$ ?

**Question 3:** Results related to the functional objects themselves ( $L^2$  metric)?

### III - 1 - b Bayesian approach: Mixture description

Few notations:

- ▶  $\mathcal{H}^\ell(A)$  truncated Sobolev ball of maximal frequency  $\ell$  and radius  $\|\cdot\|_2 \leq A$ .
- ▶  $\mathfrak{M}$ : set of probability measures on  $[0, 1]$ .
- ▶ **Sieve:**  $\mathcal{P}_{l,w} := \{\mathbb{P}_{f,g} \text{ s.t. } f \in \mathcal{H}^\ell(w), g \in \mathfrak{M}\}$

**In the Fourier domain:** if  $\theta^0 = \theta^0(f) := (\theta_{-\infty}^0, \dots, \theta_{-1}^0, \theta_0^0, \theta_1^0, \dots, \theta_{\infty}^0)$  and

$$c_\ell = \theta_\ell^0 e^{-i2\pi\ell\tau} + z_\ell \text{ where } z_\ell \sim_{i.i.d.} N_{\mathbb{C}}(0, 1), \quad \tau \sim g^0,$$

We have the multivariate mixture model

$$\mathbb{P}_{\theta^0, g^0} = \int_0^1 \gamma_{\theta^0 \bullet \tau} d g^0(\tau).$$

$\gamma_{\theta^0 \bullet \tau}$  is an infinite complex standards gaussian law whose mean is

$$\forall \ell \in \mathbb{Z} \quad (\theta \bullet \tau)_\ell = \theta e^{-i2\pi\tau\ell}.$$

Proposition: For any  $\epsilon$  small enough, and  $w_\epsilon \leq \sqrt{\ell_\epsilon}$

$$\log N(\epsilon, \mathcal{P}_{\ell_\epsilon, w_\epsilon}, d_{VT}) \lesssim \ell_\epsilon^2 \left[ \log \frac{1}{\epsilon} + \log \ell_\epsilon \right].$$

We loose a term  $\ell_\epsilon$  (unknown  $f$ )  $\ell_\epsilon^2 \log \frac{1}{\epsilon} \geq \ell_\epsilon \log \frac{1}{\epsilon}$  (covering of mixture models dim  $\ell_\epsilon$ ).

Tool: Follow the covering strategy of [GvdV,01] on gaussian mixture models and use  $\chi_k^2$  concentration,  $k \mapsto +\infty$ .

## III - 2 - a Building the prior (general mixtures)

Prior built through a tensorial product of a prior on  $f$  and a prior on  $g$ .

- ▶ Pick  $\ell_{max}$  such that  $p(\ell_{max} = k) \propto e^{-k^2 \log k}$  as a threshold frequency [RR,12]
- ▶ Each active coefficient follows a  $\mathcal{N}_{\mathbb{C}}(0, \xi_n^2)$ . [RR,12]
- ▶ Dirichlet process  $D(\alpha)$  as a prior on  $g$ .

Theorem:[BGI] If  $f^0 \in \mathcal{H}_s$  with  $s \geq 1$ , then for  $\epsilon_n = n^{-[s/(2s+2) \wedge 3/8]} \log n$ :

$$\exists M > 0 \quad \pi_n \left\{ \mathbb{P}_{f,g} \text{ t.q. } d_H(\mathbb{P}_{f,g}, \mathbb{P}_{f^0, g^0}) \leq M\epsilon_n \right\} = 1 + o_p(1)$$

### Comments:

- ▶ Polynomial rate.
- ▶ The supplementary  $\ell_{\epsilon}^2 \log \frac{1}{\epsilon}$  impacts the rate  $2s/(2s+2)$  instead of  $2s/(2s+1)$ , we must estimate  $g^0 \dots$
- ▶ Adaptive prior on  $s$

### III - 2 - b Building the prior (smooth mixtures)

Same prior on  $f$ , Gaussian process for  $g$  [vdVvZ,08]:

- ▶  $\mathfrak{M}_\nu([0, 1])(B) := \{g \in \mathfrak{M} \mid \exists \forall k \in \mathbb{Z} \quad c|k|^{-\nu} < |c_k(g)| < C|k|^{-\nu}\}$  with  $\|g\|_\nu \leq B$
- ▶ For any continuous trajectory  $f$  on  $[0, 1]$  define  $J$  and  $J_k = J_{k-1} \circ J$  as

$$J(f)(t) := \int_0^t f(s)ds - t \int_0^t f(u)du$$

- ▶  $B$  a brownian bridge on  $[0, 1]$ , build

$$w = \underbrace{J_{k_\nu}(B)}_{k_\nu \text{ regularization of periodized } B} + \overbrace{\sum_{j=1}^{k_\nu} Z_j \psi_j}^{\text{Start and end at random on } \{0,1\}},$$

where  $\psi_j(t) = \cos 2\pi jt + \sin 2\pi jt$  and  $(Z_j)_{1 \leq j \leq k_\nu} \sim \mathcal{N}_{\mathbb{R}}(0, 1)$ .

- ▶ The prior samples the distributions with density  $g_w: g_w = e^w \left( \int_0^1 e^w \right)^{-1}$ .
- ▶ Following arguments of [vdVvZ,08] & [LS01] to obtain the small ball property.

Théorème:[BGII] If  $f^0 \in \mathcal{H}_s$ ,  $g^0 \in \mathfrak{M}_\nu([0, 1])$  and  $\epsilon_n = n^{-[s/(2s+2) \wedge \nu / (2\nu+2) \wedge 3/8]} \log n$ :

$$\pi_n \left\{ \mathbb{P}_{f,g} \quad t.q. \quad d_H(\mathbb{P}_{f,g}, \mathbb{P}_{f^0,g^0}) \leq M\epsilon_n \right\} = 1 + o_p(1)$$

**Comments:**

- ▶ Polynomial rate but depends on  $\nu$ .
- ▶ Adaptive with  $s$  **but now with  $\nu$** .

### III - 3 Bayesian consistency around $f^0$ and $g^0$ (smooth mixtures)

- ▶ **Identifiability condition:**  $\mathcal{F}_s = \{f \in \mathcal{H}_s \text{ s.t. } c_1(f) > 0\}$
- ▶ **Theorem:** If  $(f, g) \in \mathcal{F}_s(A) \times \mathfrak{M}_\nu([0, 1])$ , the model is identifiable.  
Tool: Show  $d_{VT}(\mathbb{P}_{f,g}^1, \mathbb{P}_{\tilde{f},\tilde{g}}^1) > 0 \Rightarrow c_1(f) = c_1(\tilde{f})$  and use a Laplace transform argument.
- ▶ **Result on elements in  $\mathcal{F}_s(A)$  or  $\mathfrak{M}_\nu([0, 1])$ ?**  
Theorem: If  $(f^0, g^0) \in \mathcal{F}_s(A) \times \mathfrak{M}_\nu([0, 1])$ , then (similar result for  $g^0$ )

$$\Pi_n \left( f : \|f - f^0\|_2^2 > M (\log n)^{-\frac{4s\nu}{2s+2\nu+1}} \mid Y_1, \dots, Y_n \right) = o_p(1)$$

- ▶ **Theorem:** From a Minimax point of view, we can show

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow +\infty} (\log n)^{2s+2} \inf_{\hat{f} \in \mathcal{F}_s(A)} \sup_{(f^0, g^0) \in \mathcal{F}_s(A) \times \mathfrak{M}_\nu([0,1])} \|\hat{f} - f^0\|_2^2 \geq c,$$

and

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow +\infty} (\log n)^{2\nu+1} \inf_{\hat{g} \in \mathcal{F}_s(A)} \sup_{(f^0, g^0) \in \mathcal{F}_s(A) \times \mathfrak{M}_\nu([0,1])} \|\hat{g} - g^0\|_2^2 \geq c.$$

Tool: Fano's Lemma applied on a very very annoying networks of  $(f_j, g_j)_j$  such that

$$\forall j \neq j' \quad f_j \star g_j \simeq f_{j'} \star g_{j'}.$$

## III - 4 - a - Bayesian end of the story?

- ▶ The logarithm loss is very disappointing ...

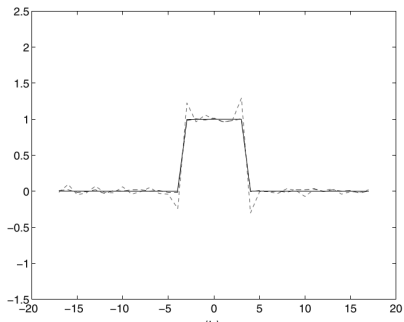
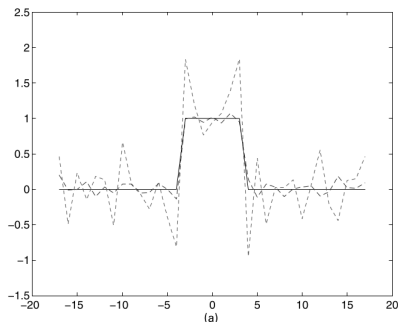
**BUT**

- ▶ **Did we use the right distance to measure the performance of the estimators?**
- ▶ Recall the Fréchet distance (on orbits defined through the action of translations)

$$d_F(f_1, f_2)^2 = \inf_{\tau} \|f_1^{-\tau} - f_2\|_2^2.$$

- ▶ Source: [Allasonniere et al, JRSS B'07]

(—): true pattern, (-----): **Warping estimator**, (---): **Posterior realisation**





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### Important remarks:

- ▶ Inverse problem with unknown (or not) operator (depending on the knowledge on  $g$ ).
- ▶ The smoothness of  $g$  is important.

### Criticisms:

- ▶ Optimality of NP Bayesian rates with respect to the Fréchet distance?
- ▶ Efficient algorithms to compute the posterior distribution?

### Extensions:

- ▶ More realistic model:  $\sigma$  unknown,  $n$  signals,  $J$  points (BG'14?).

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