

Data-Driven Data Assimilation

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A Brief Review of Analog Forecasting Method

AnDA = Analog Forecast + Data Assimilation

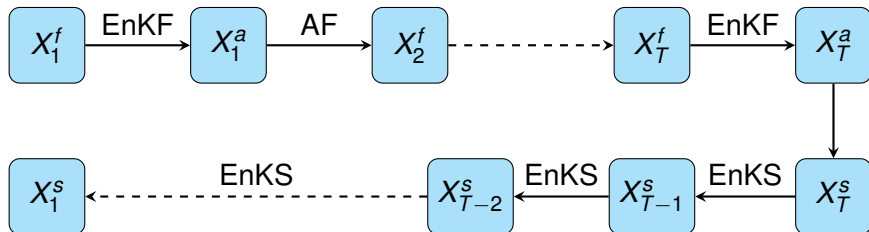
Assumption

Having a huge amount of data (analog (A_i) + successors (S_i)) so that every corner of the attractor of the system is covered.

- Given the state estimate X_t
- Find the k (=50, for instance) analogs that are the closest to X_t : A_1, \dots, A_k
- Linearly regress S_1, \dots, S_k on A_1, \dots, A_k : $S = LA + b$
- Apply the linear relation on X_t : $X_{t+1} \leftarrow LX_t + b$
- Covariance inflation: $X_{t+1} \leftarrow X_{t+1} + \mathcal{N}(0, \alpha(k)C_{t+1})$
where $C_{t+1} = \text{cov}(S - (LA + b))$

Analog Data Assimilation (AnDA) for Reanalysis

- Ensemble Kalman filter (EnKF) for data assimilation;
- Analog forecast (AF) for state forecast;
- Ensemble Kalman smoother (EnKS) for calculating the state reanalysis.

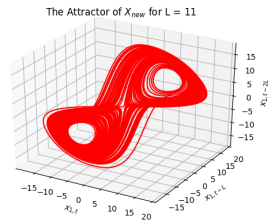
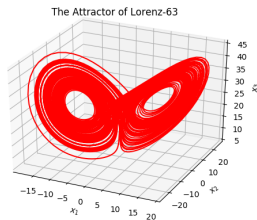


Time-Delayed Analog Forecast

Motivation

Taken's Theorem (1981): under certain conditions, a strange attractor can be reconstructed using lagged partial observations.

Construct time-delayed analogs $A_t^{new} = (A_t, A_{t-L}, \dots, A_{t-kL})$ and similarly for successors and state estimates.



Experimental Design

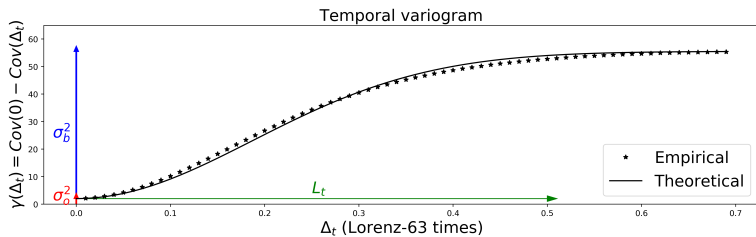
Lorenz 63

- $dt = 0.01$, $dt_{obs} = 0.08$, $y_t^o = x_{1,t} + \xi_t$, $R_{obs} = 2.0$
- Use time-delayed analogs $X_t^{analog} = (x_{1,t}, x_{1,t-7}, x_{1,t-14})$
- 50 ensemble members

Lorenz 96

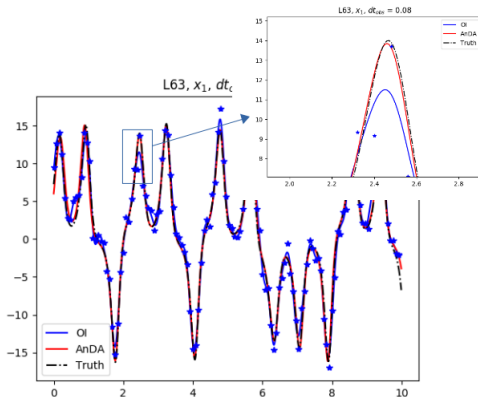
- $dt = 0.05$, $dt_{obs} = 0.20$, $R_{obs} = 1.0$
- $X_t = (x_{1,t}, x_{3,t}, \dots, x_{39,t})$, $y_t^o = (x_{1,t}, x_{5,t}, \dots, x_{37,t}) + \xi_t$
- $x_{i,t}^{analog} = (x_{i-2,t}, x_{i,t}, x_{i+2,t}, x_{i-2,t-1}, x_{i,t-1}, x_{i+2,t-1})$
- 50 ensemble members

The variogram of L63

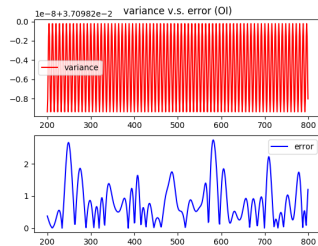
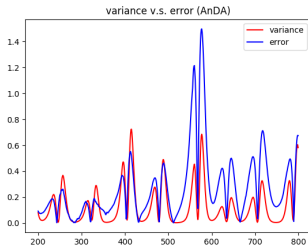


Numerical results of AnDA on L63 and L96

| | OI | AnDA | $\sqrt{R_{obs}}$ |
|-----|------|------|------------------|
| L63 | 1.04 | 0.68 | 1.414 |
| L96 | 2.0 | 0.95 | 1.0 |



Numerical results of AnDA on L63



The variance and error of AnDA/OI estimates.

A case when the observations are sparse in time

Lorenz 63, $dt = 0.01$, $dt_{obs} = 0.50$

| | OI | AnDA | $\sqrt{R_{obs}}$ |
|------|------|------|------------------|
| RMSE | 4.78 | 6.57 | 1.414 |

Why does AnDA not work?

- Analog forecast (with locally linear regression) well captures the dynamics near the attractor of the system, but not the dynamics off the attractor;
- If the initial value is far away from the attractor, the locally linear operator might enlarge the error;
- Ensemble Kalman smoother also becomes unstable when the observation is sparse.

An Analog-Based Interpolation Method

- Find the k analogs that best match the observed trajectory;
- Use the mean of these k analogs as the interpolated result;
- Localization needs to be incorporated.

$$\{A_{1,t}, \dots, A_{k,t}\} = \underset{A_{i,t}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{\Delta t \in [-\Delta T, \Delta T]} w(\Delta t) \|h_{t+\Delta t}(A_{t+\Delta t}) - y_{t+\Delta t}^o\|^2$$

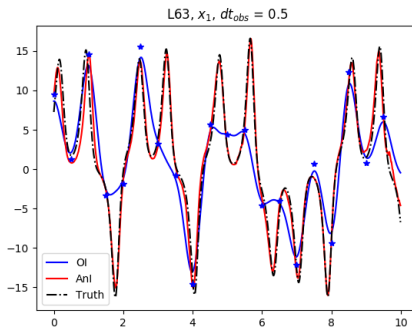
$$w(\Delta t) = \exp(-(\Delta t)^2/L^2)$$

$$\hat{A}_t = \frac{1}{k} \sum_i A_{i,t}$$

Mathematically, $\hat{A}_t = \mathbb{E}(x_t | y_0, y_1, \dots, y_T)$

Numerical Results on L63

| | AnDA | OI | AnI | $\sqrt{R_{obs}}$ |
|------|------|------|------|------------------|
| RMSE | 6.57 | 4.78 | 1.49 | 1.414 |



Numerical Results on Simulated SSH and Observations

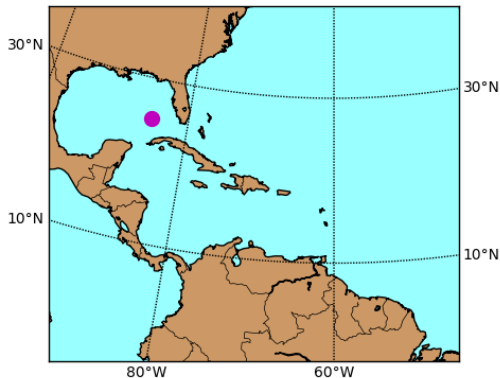
- Region of interest: $10^\circ \times 10^\circ$, (40 X 36 grid);
- Data downloaded from OCCIPUT: 50 ensemble members, 20 years.
- Simulated obs at every grid-point, with $R_{obs} = 10\%$ of the climatological covariance of SSH;
- $dt_{obs} = 15$ days;
- The first 50 principal components of SSH are used to construct the analogs;
- AnI is implemented for each node separately.
- OI is implemented on the original SSH data.



Numerical Results on Simulated SSH and Obs

| | Anl | OI |
|------|-------|--------|
| RMSE | 0.033 | 0.0368 |

Location of interest



Summary and Future Work

- Analog-based methods outperform OI in Lorenz 63 and Lorenz 96.
- Analog interpolation slightly outperforms OI with simulated SSH data.
- Explore the potential of analog-based methods handling real satellite data