

Two semiparametric models arising from applied statistics

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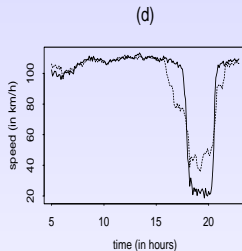
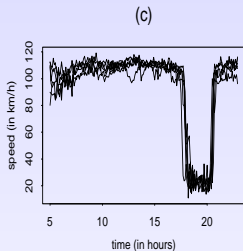
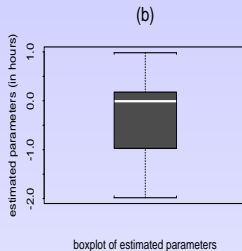
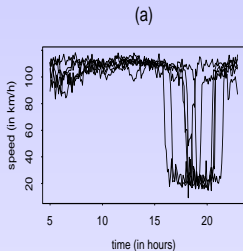
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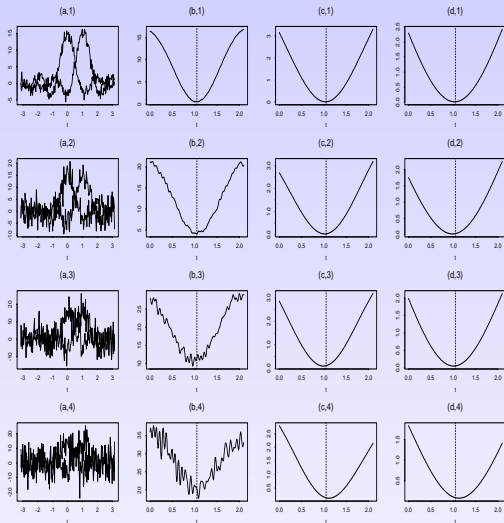
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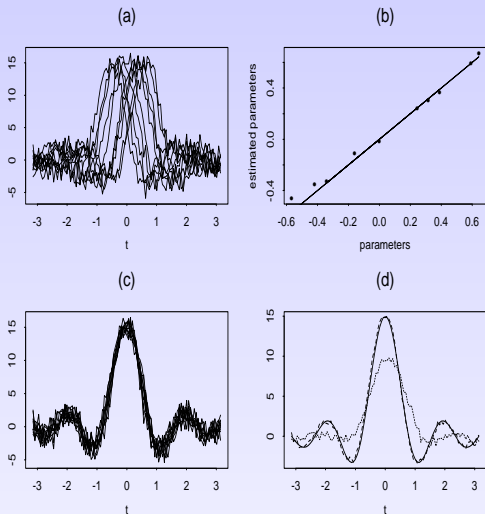
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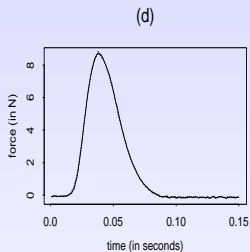
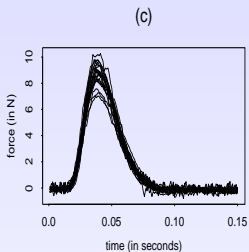
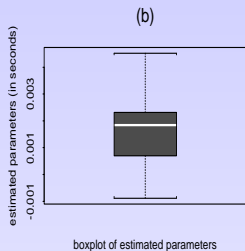
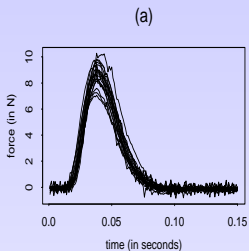
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- Physical, chemical or econometrical phenomena: modelling
- Exits, entering variables, parameters, etc.
- Confidence in the du model?
 - Uncertainty on entering variables,
 - Uncertainty on parameters.

Consequence: **Uncertainty on exit variables**

Sensitivity

Source classification

Model:

$$Y = f(X_1, \dots, X_d)$$

with Y model exits and $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_d)$ vector of d factors (entering variables + badly known parameters).

Aim

Which entering variables have most impact on model exit?

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Particular case: $\psi = 1$

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Coming back to sensitivity index estimation

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Expansion of $T(f)$

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- Idea : same procedure as Laurent
- looking an estimator having bias

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si $f \in \mathbb{L}^2(dx dy)$, $\phi \in C^0$ et $\psi \in C^3$.

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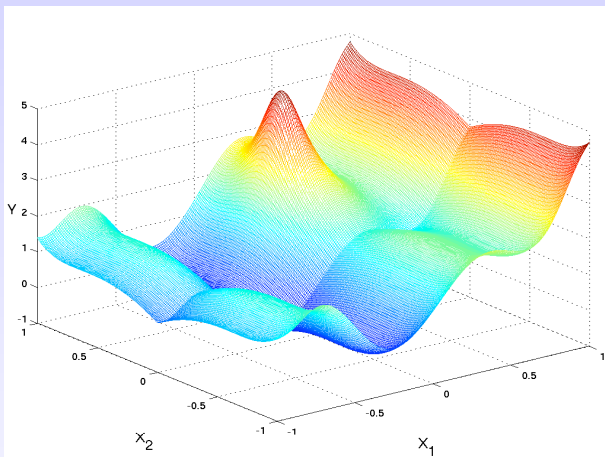
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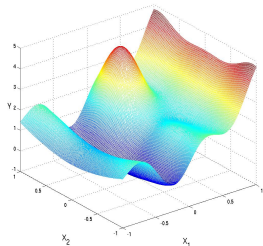
An analytical example

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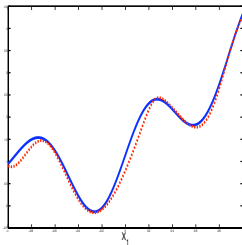


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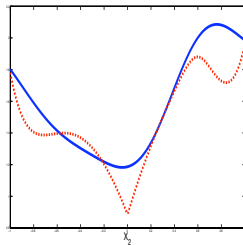
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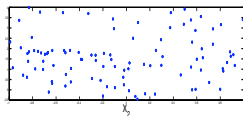
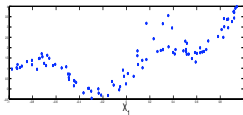


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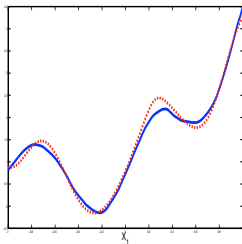


Local polynomial (true function, approximation)

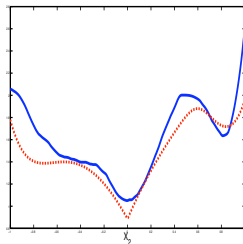
Marginal samples



$\mathbb{E}(Y|X_1)$



$\mathbb{E}(Y|X_2)$



An analytical example

		Kriging	Loc poly	Our estim
		100 pts	100 pts	100 pts
$\text{Var}(\mathbb{E}(Y X_1))$	1.0932	1.0539	1.0643	1.1701
$\text{Var}(\mathbb{E}(Y X_2))$	0.0729	0.1121	0.0527	0.0939

X_1 more or less same accuracy

X_2 : marginal approximation gives better results

Thanks a lot for you attention