Five Ws on Nonparametric Statistics for Circular Data

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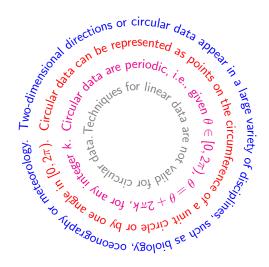
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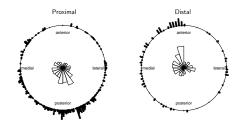


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-What is circular data?

Example: Cracks in cemented femoral components

Data*: Angular position of cracks in the cement mantle for proximal and distal regions. Number of cracks in each region: 322 and 99, respectively.





Is there a preferred direction for cracks?

* Data were provided by Prof. Kenneth A. Mann from Upstate Medical University (New York).

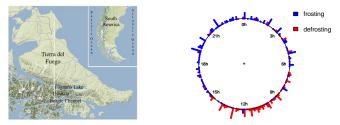
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Example: Temperature cycle changes

 Data*: 350 observations corresponding to the hours when the temperature changes from positive to negative and viceversa in periglacial Monte Alvear (Ushuaia, Argentina) from February 2008 to December 2009.



At what time are frosting/defrosting cycles more likely to happen?

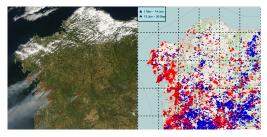
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Example: Fires detected by MODIS

 Data*: Time of occurrence and location of the fires detected by MODIS from 10/07/2002 to 9/07/2012.



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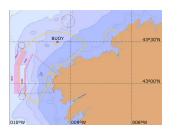
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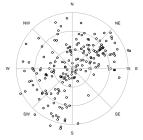
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Example: Wind speed and wind direction

 Data*: hourly observations of wind direction and wind speed in Vilán– Sisargas in winter season (November to February), from 2003 until 2012.





- In the Galician coast, during winter season: is the wind speed influenced by the wind direction?
- * Data were downloaded from the Spanish Portuary Authority (www.puertos.es).

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When you have a hammer... everything looks like a nail!

The stochastic behaviour of the variables in the previous examples can be characterized by the estimation and deep analysis of a density (e.g. for femoral cracks) or a regression curve (e.g. wind speed and wind direction).

► For regression: see Edu's talk! (just before lunchtime...)

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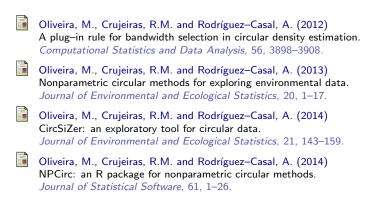
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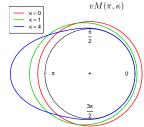
-Wrapped densities

Parametric circular models

• von Mises, $vM(\mu, \kappa)$:

$$f(\theta;\mu,\kappa) = \frac{1}{2\pi I_0(\kappa)} e^{\kappa \cos(\theta - \mu)}, \quad 0 \le \theta < 2\pi$$

- $\mu \in [0, 2\pi)$ is the mean direction.
- $\kappa \ge 0$ is the concentration parameter.
- I_r is the modified Bessel function of order r.
- Other parametric models: Cardioid, wrapped Cauchy, wrapped normal, wrapped skew–normal, etc.



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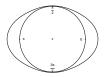
▶ Parametric mixtures: A finite mixture of M circular distributions, f_m with weights $p_m \ge 0$ for m = 1, ..., M and $\sum_{m=1}^{M} p_m = 1$ has density:

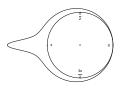
$$f(\theta) = \sum_{m=1}^{M} p_m f_m(\theta)$$

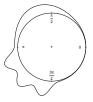
Mixture of two von Mises

Mixture of cardioid and wrapped Cauchy

Mixture of five von Mises







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Circular kernel density estimator

Given a random sample of angles $\Theta_1, \ldots, \Theta_n \in [0, 2\pi)$ from some unknown circular density f, the circular kernel density estimator of f is defined as:

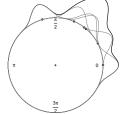
$$\hat{f}(\theta;\nu) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{\nu}(\theta - \Theta_i)$$

where K_{ν} is a circular kernel function with concentration parameter $\nu > 0$.

Taking the von Mises density as kernel:

$$\hat{f}(\theta;\nu) = \frac{1}{n2\pi I_0(\nu)} \sum_{i=1}^n e^{\nu \cos(\theta - \Theta_i)}$$

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What-hoW in circular density estimation

-BandWidth selection

Smoothing parameter selection (I)

$$LCV(\nu) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} \hat{f}^{-i}(\Theta_i; \nu), \quad \hat{f}^{-i}(\theta; \nu) = \frac{1}{(n-1)(2\pi)I_0(\nu)} \sum_{j \neq i} e^{\nu \cos(\theta - \Theta_j)}$$

Least squares cross-validation smoothing parameter v̂_{LSCV} is obtained by minimizing:

$$\mathrm{LSCV}(\nu) = \int_0^{2\pi} \hat{f}^2(\theta;\nu) d\theta - \frac{2}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{f}^{-i}(\Theta_i;\nu)$$



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Smoothing parameter selection (II)

Consider a global error measurement:

MISE
$$(\nu) = \mathbb{E}\left[\int \left(\hat{f}(\theta;\nu) - f(\theta)\right)^2 d\theta\right]$$

For the circular kernel density estimator, the $AMISE(\nu)$ when $\nu\to\infty$ y $\sqrt{\nu}n^{-1}\to 0$ is given by:

AMISE(
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) = $\frac{1}{16} \left[1 - \frac{I_2(\nu)}{I_0(\nu)} \right]^2 \int_0^{2\pi} \left(f''(\theta) \right)^2 d\theta + \frac{I_0(2\nu)}{2n\pi \left(I_0(\nu) \right)^2}$

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- von Mises \rightarrow Rule of thumb (Taylor, 2008).
- mixture of von Mises \rightarrow Plug-in rule (Oliveira et al. 2012).



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Plug-in rule

Step 1. Select the number of mixture components ${\cal M}$ for the reference distribution. For example, by using AIC.

Step 2. Estimate the AMISE as follows:

Step 2.1 Estimate the parameters in the von Mises mixture, $(\mu_m,\kappa_m,\alpha_m)$ for $m=1,\ldots,M$ by EM.

Step 2.2 Compute the integral $\int_0^{2\pi} (\hat{f}''(\theta))^2 d\theta$.

Step 2.3 Plug-in the quantity $\int_0^{2\pi} (\hat{f}''(\theta))^2 d\theta$ in AMISE to get $\widehat{AMISE}(\nu)$.

Step 3. Minimize $\widehat{AMISE}(\nu)$ and obtain $\hat{\nu}_{PI}^{AIC}$.

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Bootstrap selector

The bootstrap smoothing parameter, $\hat{\nu}_{boot}$, is selected as the value that minimizes the bootstrap MISE:

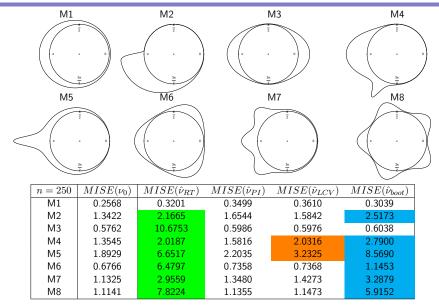
$$\int_0^{2\pi} \mathbb{E}_B \left[\hat{f}^*(\theta; \nu) - \hat{f}(\theta; \nu) \right]^2 d\theta$$

where \mathbb{E}_B denotes the bootstrap expectation with respect to random samples $\Theta_1^*, \ldots, \Theta_n^*$ generated from $\hat{f}(\theta; \nu)$.

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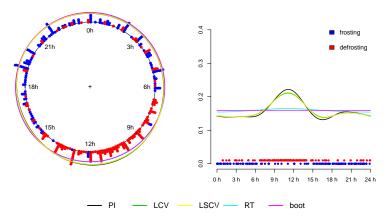


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Temperature cycle changes

Data: 350 observations corresponding to the hours when the temperature changes from positive to negative and viceversa.





Why are we seeing here a mode?

The idea of CircSiZer method

- CircSiZer is an adaptation to circular data of the original SiZer proposed by Chaudhuri and Marron (1999) for linear data.
- CircSiZer considers nonparametric curve estimates for a wide range of smoothing parameters (ν).
- CircSiZer addresses the question of which features are really there.
- CircSiZer assesses the significance of such features by constructing confidence intervals for the derivative of the smoothed underlying curve at each location θ ∈ [0, 2π) and scale τ, f'(θ; ν) ≡ 𝔼(f'(θ; ν)).

Chaudhuri, P. and Marron, J. S. (1999) SiZer for exploration of structures in curves. Journal of the American Statistical Association, 94, 807–823.

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Confidence interval

Given a significance level α and for a fixed value of $\nu>0$ and with $\theta\in[0,2\pi),$ confidence intervals are of the form

$$\left(\widehat{f}'(\theta;\nu) - q^{(1-\alpha/2)} \cdot \widehat{\mathsf{sd}}(\widehat{f}'(\theta;\nu)), \widehat{f}'(\theta;\nu) - q^{(\alpha/2)} \cdot \widehat{\mathsf{sd}}(\widehat{f}'(\theta;\nu))\right)$$

- $\hat{f}'(\theta;\nu)$ is the estimator of the derivative of the curve.
- $q^{(1-\alpha/2)}$ and $q^{(\alpha/2)}$ are appropriate quantiles.
- $\widehat{sd}(\hat{f}'(\theta;\nu))$ is an estimator of the std of $\hat{f}'(\theta;\nu)$.
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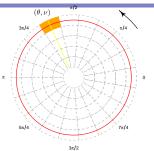
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For each pair (θ, ν) , with θ varying in $[0, 2\pi)$ and $\nu > 0$:

- Compute the confidence interval for $f'(\theta; \nu)$.
- If the interval is
 - ► above zero \rightarrow the smoothed curve is significantly increasing \rightarrow the location corresponding to the pair (θ, ν) is colored blue.
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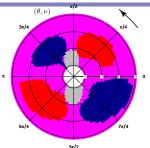


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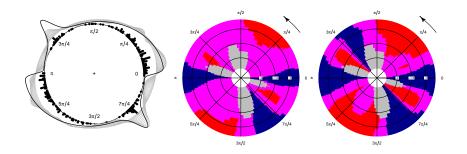
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KDEs for a sample with n = 250 data. Simultaneous CircSizer map (center) and pointwise CircSizer map (right).

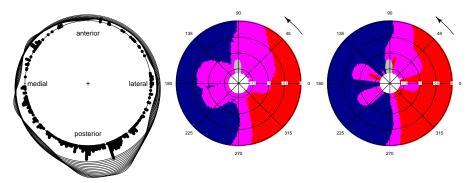
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Cracks in cemented femoral components

Is there a preferred direction for cracks in the cement mantle?

For the proximal region...



Family of kernel density estimates indexed by the smoothing parameter

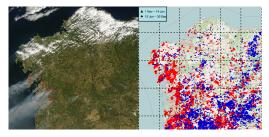
CircSiZer map with simultaneous bootstrap confidence intervals CircSiZer map with pointwise normal confidence intervals

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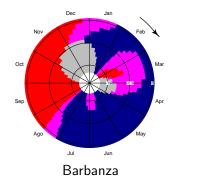
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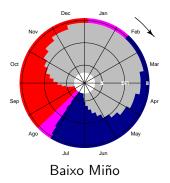
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Remember the fires dataset...

CircSiZer maps for two regions in Galicia. Data from July 2002 until July 2012:





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Who did What and When? (again)

Our proposal, in a nutshell: f unkown density with j modes.

 $H_0: j = 1$ vs. $H_a: j > 1$

- Consider the excess mass statistic. (Independent of unknowns except for a factor which includes f and f" at modes and antimodes).
- Estimate the unknowns using kernel estimators with critical bandwidth (for f).
- Calibrate by Bootstrap, with generated samples from a (modified version of) kernel estimator with critical bandwidth.

Simulation results

	α	0.01	0.05	0.10	
		Fisher and Marron			
	n = 50	0(0)	0.022(0.013)	0.068(0.022)	
	n = 200	0(0)	0.012(0.010)	0.058(0.020)	
	n = 1000	0.004(0.006)	0.008(0.008)	0.032(0.015)	
		Excess mass			
	n = 50	0.012(0.010)	0.054(0.020)	0.094(0.026)	
	n = 200	0.008(0.008)	0.038(0.017)	0.092(0.025)	
	n = 1000	0.006(0.007)	0.040(0.017)	0.086(0.025)	
		Fisher and Marron			
	n = 50	0.370(0.042)	0.520(0.044)	0.598(0.043)	
	n = 200	0.648(0.042)	0.776(0.037)	0.848(0.031)	
	n = 1000	0.498(0.044)	0.648(0.042)	0.728(0.039)	
		Excess mass			
	n = 50	0.008(0.008)	0.044(0.018)	0.104(0.027)	
	n = 200	0.014(0.010)	0.036(0.016)	0.076(0.023)	
	n = 1000	0.012(0.010)	0.040(0.017)	0.074(0.023)	
		Fisher and Marron			
	n = 50	0.004(0.006)	0.030(0.015)	0.062(0.021)	
	n = 200	0.004(0.006)	0.032(0.015)	0.052(0.019)	
	n = 1000	0.002(0.004)	0.018(0.012)	0.048(0.019)	
		Excess mass			
	n = 50	0(0)	0.024(0.013)	0.044(0.018)	
	n = 200	0.006(0.007)	0.044(0.018)	0.100(0.026)	
	n = 1000	0.010(0.009)	0.048(0.019)	0.100(0.026)	

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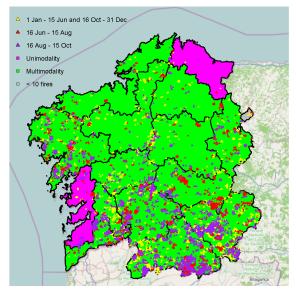
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		α	0.01	0.05	0.10	
			Fisher and Marron			
		n = 50	0.782(0.036)	0.920(0.024)	0.958(0.018)	
		n = 100	0.978(0.013)	0.996(0.006)	0.998(0.004)	
		n = 200	1(0)	1(0)	1(0)	
			Excess mass			
		n = 50	0.534(0.044)	0.758(0.038)	0.854(0.031)	
		n = 100	0.914(0.025)	0.968(0.015)	0.984(0.011)	
		n = 200	0.996(0.006)	1(0)	1(0)	
			Fisher and Marron			
		n = 50	0.014(0.010)	0.070(0.022)	0.130(0.029)	
		n = 100	0.038(0.017)	0.124(0.029)	0.196(0.035)	
		n = 200	0.066(0.022)	0.170(0.033)	0.246(0.038)	
			Excess mass			
		n = 50	0.022(0.013)	0.072(0.023)	0.140(0.030)	
		n = 100	0.032(0.015)	0.084(0.024)	0.156(0.032)	
		n = 200	0.044(0.018)	0.102(0.027)	0.204(0.035)	
			F	on		
		n = 50	0.476(0.044)	0.730(0.039)	0.840(0.032)	
		n = 100	0.828(0.033)	0.952(0.019)	0.976(0.013)	
		n = 200	0.990(0.009)	0.998(0.004)	1(0)	
			Excess mass			
		n = 50	0.044(0.018)	0.164(0.032)	0.284(0.040)	
		n = 100	0.208(0.036)	0.438(0.043)	0.554(0.044)	
		n = 200	0.578(0.043)	0.796(0.035)	0.870(0.029)	

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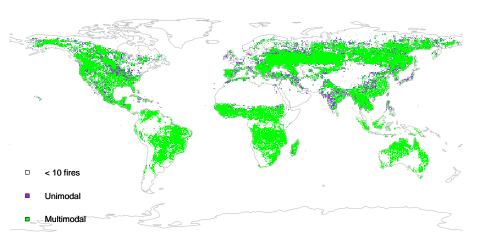
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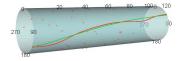
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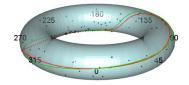


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When a circular meets a linear...

and when a circular meets another circular...





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