Predictive Performance Model Validation Methods with Uncertainty Quantification

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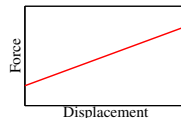# Single degree-of-freedom oscillator

Data generating model

$$\tilde{m}\ddot{u} + \tilde{c}\dot{u} + \tilde{k}_{\mathsf{e}}u + \tilde{k}_{\mathsf{n}}u^3 = f$$

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Simulation model

$$m\ddot{u} + c\dot{u} + ku = f$$

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Generating the External Force

For our process we chose to explore the following pattern of external force.

$$\tilde{f}(t) = f(t) + f_{\text{noise}}(t)$$
$$f(t) = f_1 \sin(\omega_1 t) + f_2 \sin(\omega_2 t)$$

where:

- Time interval: $T = 2{,}000$
- Amplitude: $f_1 = 1.0$
- Amplitude: $f_2 = 0.5$
- Noise: $|f_{\text{noise}}(t)| \ll f_1 + f_2 \; \forall t \in (0, T)$
- Frequencies: $\omega_1 = 2\pi n_1/T$, $\omega_2 = 2\pi n_2/T$

Sources of error

Suppose we viewed our process in the following manner:

$$u(t) = \mu(f, t) + \varepsilon_T$$

Here ε_T is the total error associated with the model which consists of the following:

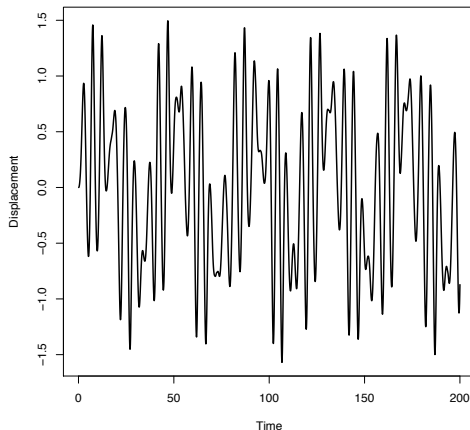$$\varepsilon_T = \varepsilon_C + \varepsilon_M + \varepsilon_S$$

where

- ε_C is the error associated with coefficient estimation.
- ε_M is the error associated with model misspecification.
- ε_S is the error associated with the system.

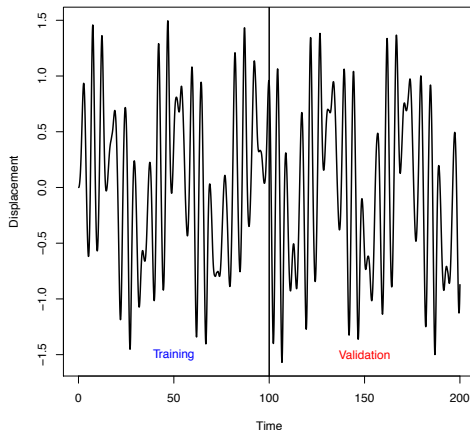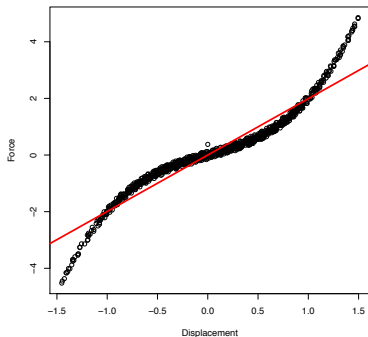We wish to understand each of these errors for model validation.

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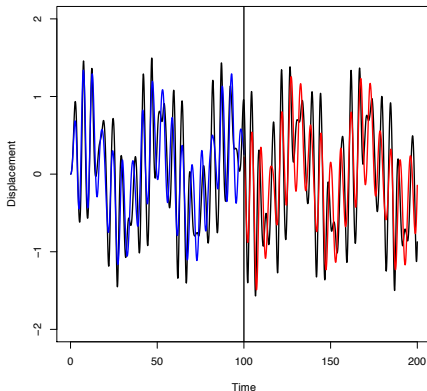$$\dot{u} = v_0 \quad \text{at } t = 0$$

Estimated Model

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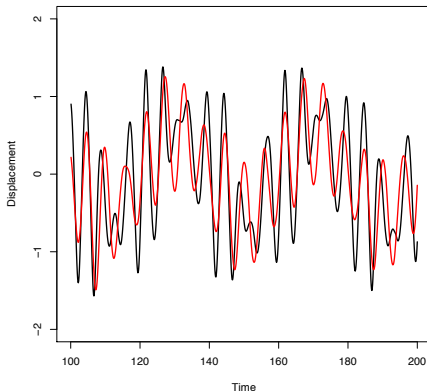
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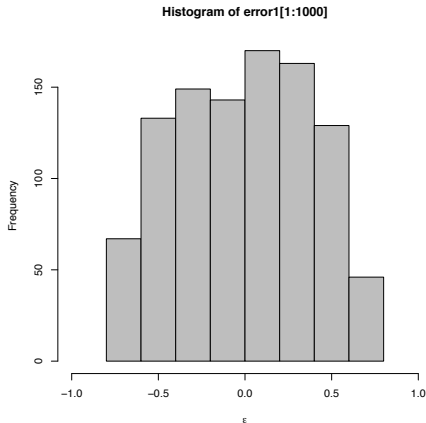
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- Sample $\hat{\varepsilon_T}$ from errors on displacement.
- Calculate $Var[\hat{\varepsilon}]$.

Simple Bootstrap Approach

Using the training set the errors, ε_T have the following distribution.

Histogram of error1[1:1000]

Simple Bootstrap Prediction Errors

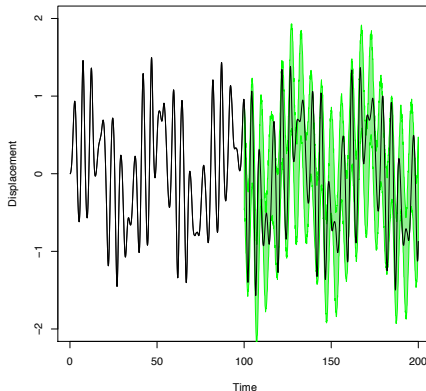We will want to estimate the total prediction error ε_T.

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- Repeat 200 times.
- Take the 0.025 and 0.975 quantiles as prediction bounds.
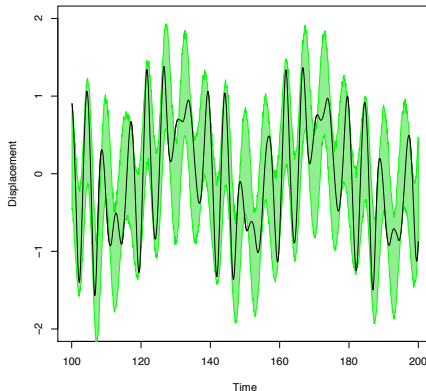
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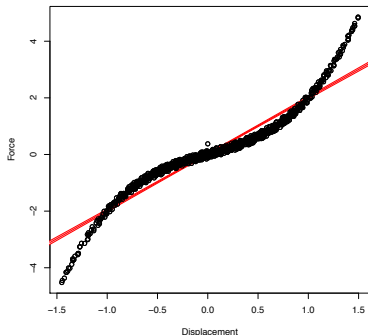# Simple Bootstrap Prediction Errors

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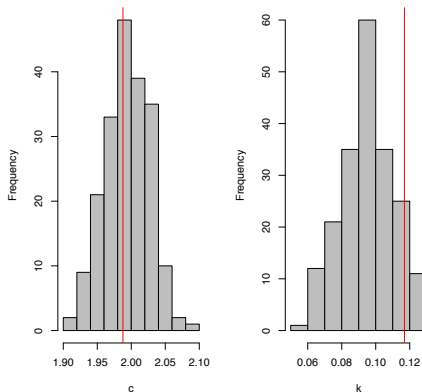
Bootstrap coefficients

We can use bootstrapping to estimate the error associate with the coefficients.

- Sample 1,000 observations from the training set.
- Generate $\hat{c}$ and $\hat{k}$.
- Solve the differential equation using these estimates
- Repeat 200 times.
- Calculate $Var[\hat{\varepsilon_C}]$
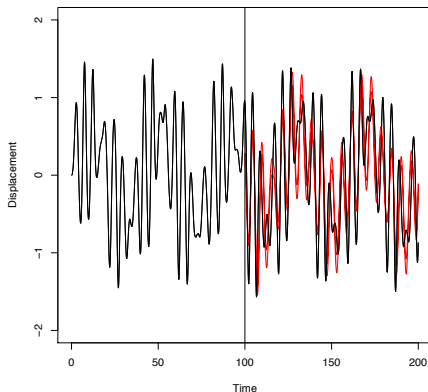
Bootstrap Coefficients

Here are histograms of the coefficients with red line at full training data value.
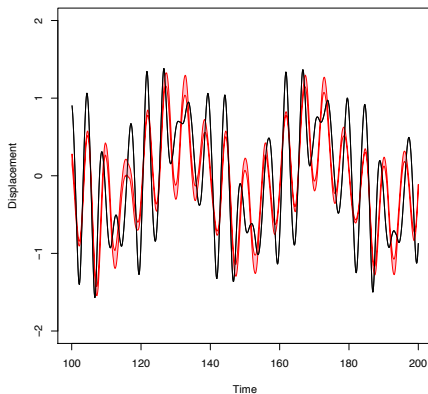

Based on 200 bootstrap samples of 1,000 each.

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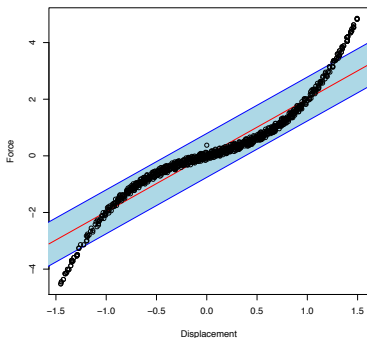
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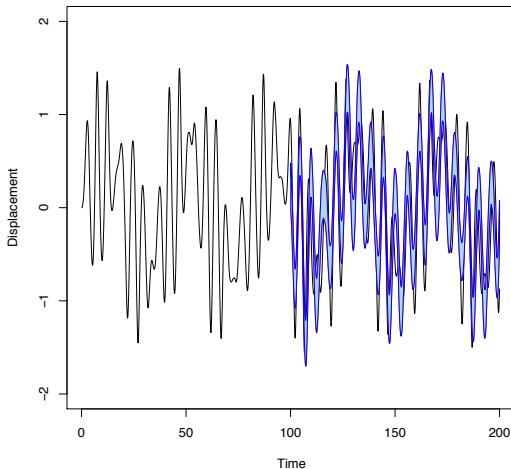
Incorporating Model Error

We can still use bootstrapping to incorporate coefficient error but to also add the error associated with using a line to estimate a nonlinear system.

- Sample 1,000 observations from the training set.
- Generate $\hat{c}$ and $\hat{k}$.
- Find the residuals.
- Sample 1,000 observations from the residuals.
- Add the sampled residuals in the differential equation.
- Solve the differential equation.
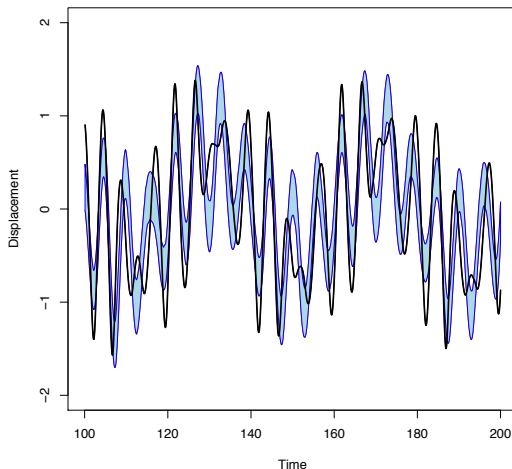- Repeat 200 times.

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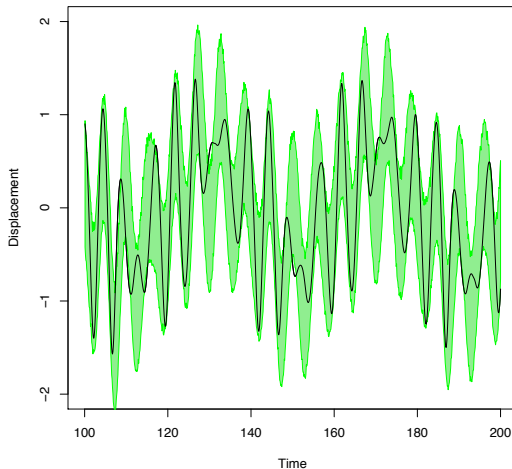
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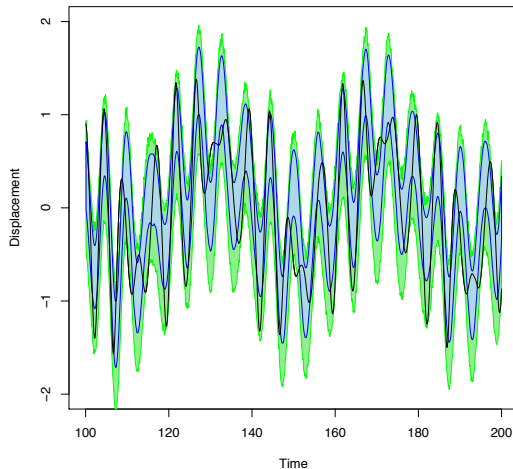
Sources of Errors
Overall Error

Sources of Errors
Overall and Model Error

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Sources of Variation

We can use these various approaches to determine what are the sources of variation in our system.

- Overall variation, SS_T.
- Variation associated with estimation of coefficients, SS_C.
- Variation associated with modeling error/misspecification, SS_M.
- Variation associated with the system error, SS_E
- These should be related in the following manner (similar to ANOVA):

$$SS_T = SS_M + SS_C + SS_E$$

- We can use our above approaches to estimate these quantities.

Estimating the Sources of Variation

We can estimate these using each of the methods mentioned above:

$$SS_T = \frac{1}{n_b} \sum_{i=1}^{n_b} \sum_{t=1}^{n_t} (u_t - \hat{u}_{t,i})^2$$

$$SS_C = \frac{1}{n_b} \sum_{i=1}^{n_b} \sum_{t=1}^{n_t} \left(\hat{u}_{t,i} - \hat{u}_{t,i}^C \right)^2$$

$$SS_M + SS_C = \frac{1}{n_b} \sum_{i=1}^{n_b} \sum_{t=1}^{n_t} \left(\hat{u}_{t,i} - \hat{u}_{t,i}^{M+C} \right)^2$$

Hence we can find SS_M and SS_E by subtraction.

$$SS_E = SS_T - SS_M - SS_C$$

Single-degree of freedom oscillator example

For our example problem we can estimate the overall error as:

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\begin{aligned}
SS_T &= 149.76 \\
SS_C &= 1.24 \\
SS_M + SS_C &= 28.21 \\
SS_E &= SS_T - SS_M - SS_C \\
&= 121.55
\end{aligned}
$$

This shows that approximately 81% of the variation in the predictions is due to system error and approximately 19% is due to model misspecification and estimation.

Using a Bayesian Framework

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We will put the following prior distributions on the parameters:

$$\hat{c} \sim N(0, 10)$$
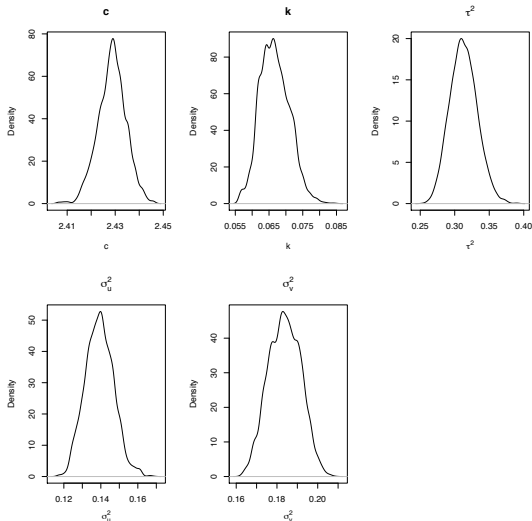$$\hat{k} \sim N(0, 10)$$
$$\varepsilon_M \sim N(0, \tau), \quad \tau^2 \, Inv - \chi^2(1, 1)$$
$$\varepsilon_u \sim N(0, \sigma_u), \quad \sigma_u^2 \sim \chi^2(1)$$
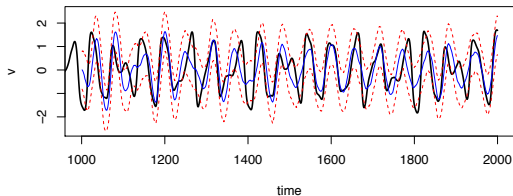$$\varepsilon_v \sim N(0, \sigma_v), \quad \sigma_v^2 \sim \chi^2(1)$$
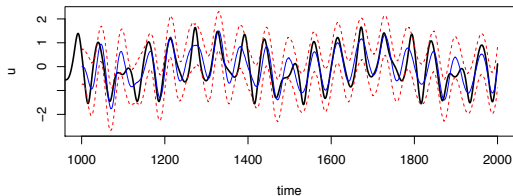
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Parameter estimates:

Using a Bayesian Framework
Results

Epidemiological Example

- The bootstrapping approach seems to work well for the simple Single-degree of freedom oscillator example.
- What about if we cannot observe the relationship to the forcing directly?
- Consider the SEIR model from Epidemiology.
- Does this approach work for modelling influenza?

SEIR Model

The Susceptible, Exposed, Infected, Recovered Model.

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial S}{\partial t} &= \mu N - \phi S - \beta \frac{SI}{N} \\
\frac{\partial E}{\partial t} &= \beta \frac{SI}{N} - (\phi + \sigma)E \\
\frac{\partial I}{\partial t} &= \sigma E - (\phi + \gamma)I \\
\frac{\partial R}{\partial t} &= \gamma I - \phi R
\end{aligned}$$

This is subject to $N = S + I + E + R$. Here μ is the birth rate, ϕ is the mortality rate, β is infection rate, σ length of exposed state, γ is the length of infected state.

SEIR Model

For influenza we need to change the model to allow for reinfection. Hence the model becomes:

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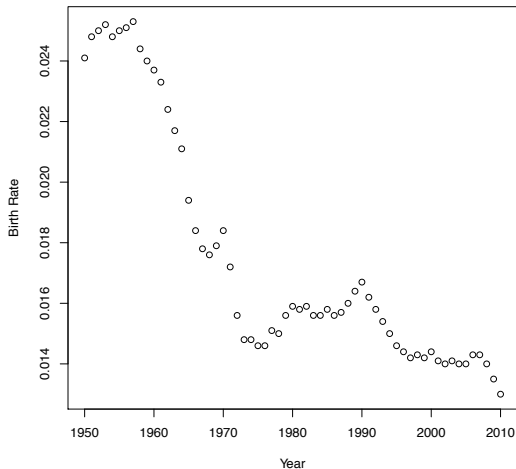\frac{\partial R}{\partial t} &= \gamma I - (\phi + \psi)R
\end{aligned}
$$

Here ψ represents the length of time one is immune.

SEIR Model

- One problem is that some items are observable and some are not observable.
- We often want to know the unobservables.
- We want to incorporate uncertainty into the unobservables.
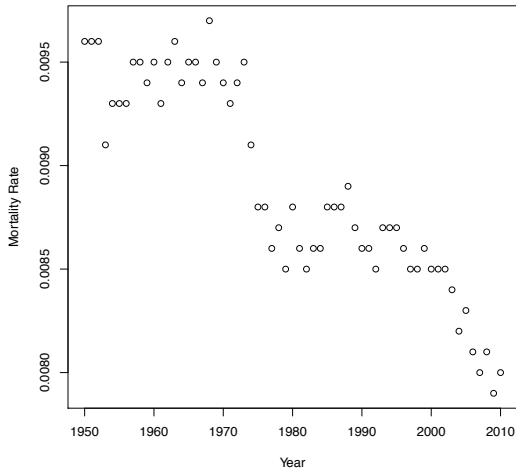- Hence there is a lot of uncertanity associated with the parameters in the model.

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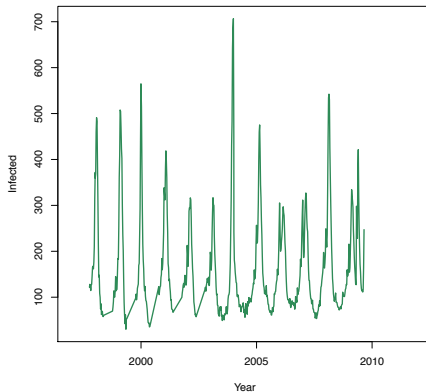## Annual Birth Rates

SEIR Model
Annual Mortality Rates

SEIR Model

Weekly Number of Infections

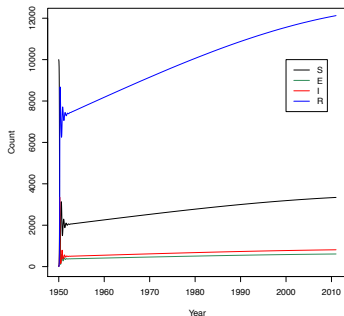This is infections per 10,000 people from the CDC.

SEIR Model

Notice the following:

- Birth Rates are not constant.
- Mortality Rates are not constant.
- Infections are not in a steady state (i.e. constant)
- Most models assume Birth Rates and Mortality Rates are constant or at least equal. This is not true in this case.
- We cannot observe transmission rates. We do know that transmission rates go up in winter.
- Exposure to infection times are difficult to observe.
- We can observe how long the infection state lasts.
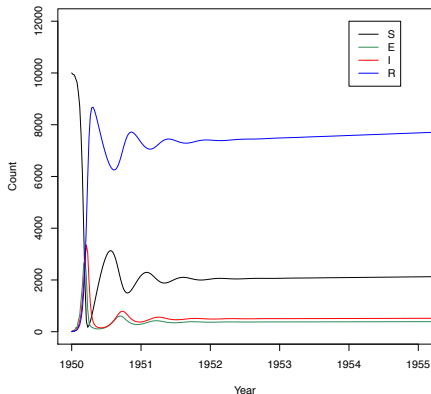- Difficult to know how long immunity lasts.

SEIR Model

Using regression to estimate the Birth and Mortality Rates, $\beta = 25$, $\sigma_1 = 365/9$, $\gamma_1 = 365/12$, $\psi = 365/180$, and $N_{1950} = 10,000$, then the SEIR model produces:

This reaches steady state?

SEIR Model

A closer look produces:

Only oscillations early in the process. Hence we will need a forcing mechanism.

SEIR Model

A possible forcing mechanism could be:

$$\beta_t = (a - m) \cos\left(2\pi(t + kdt)\right) + m + \epsilon$$

- However this forcing process is not directly observable.
- We can look at the process to see where peaks may be.
- The ϵ allows for incorporation of uncertainty.
- However bootstrapping is out since we cannot directly observe this.

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SEIR Model

Consider the following set up:

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\begin{aligned}
\mu_t &= \rho_0 + \rho_1 t + \epsilon_\mu \\
\phi_t &= \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 t + \epsilon_\alpha \\
\beta_t &= 9\left(cos(2\pi(t + 8dt)) + 4\right) + \epsilon_\beta \\
\gamma &= 365/D_1, \\
\sigma &= 365/D_2, \\
\psi &= 365/D_3,
\end{aligned}
$$

- Here ρ_0, ρ_1, α_0 and α_1 are estimated via bootstrap, ϵ_μ and ϵ_α are bootstrap errors and $\epsilon_\beta \sim N(0, 10)$.
- This incorporates the uncertainty associated with μ, ϕ and β.
- $D_1 \sim N(12, 1/3)$, $D_2 \sim N(9, 1/3)$ and $D_3 \sim N(180, 10)$.

SEIR Model

This produces.

This appears to work well.

SEIR Model

- In the above approach we were able to incorporate uncertainty about the birth and mortality rates as well as the impact of the forcing.
- The above approach does not incorporate any uncertainty associated with γ, σ, nor ψ.
- It also does not incorporate any uncertainty associated with the parameters in the seasonal forcing.
- We hope to instead use a fully Bayesian approach for this problem as bootstrapping approach is not feasible.
- This is what I am working on now.

Conclusions

- The bootstrap approach can be used for uncertainty quantification.
- This approach can be extended to other attributes of the model such as velocity and acceleration in a multivariate fashion.
- It requires that all forcings be observable.
- Another approach that should be explored is building a Bayesian approach to handle the parameter estimation under uncertainty. It also allows for the incorporation of prior information.
- More study needs to be done in order to determine a good metric that incorporates fit, prediction error and uncertainty calibration.
- The Working Group offered a great opportunity for collaboration between experts in statistics and engineering

Conclusions

Thank you!

Questions ???