

Wavelet-based Functional Mixed Models

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Functional Data Analysis

- **Functional data:**
 - Ideal units of observation: **curves**
 - Observed data: **curves sampled on fine grid**
- Increasingly encountered in scientific research
- FDA (Ramsay & Silverman, 1997)

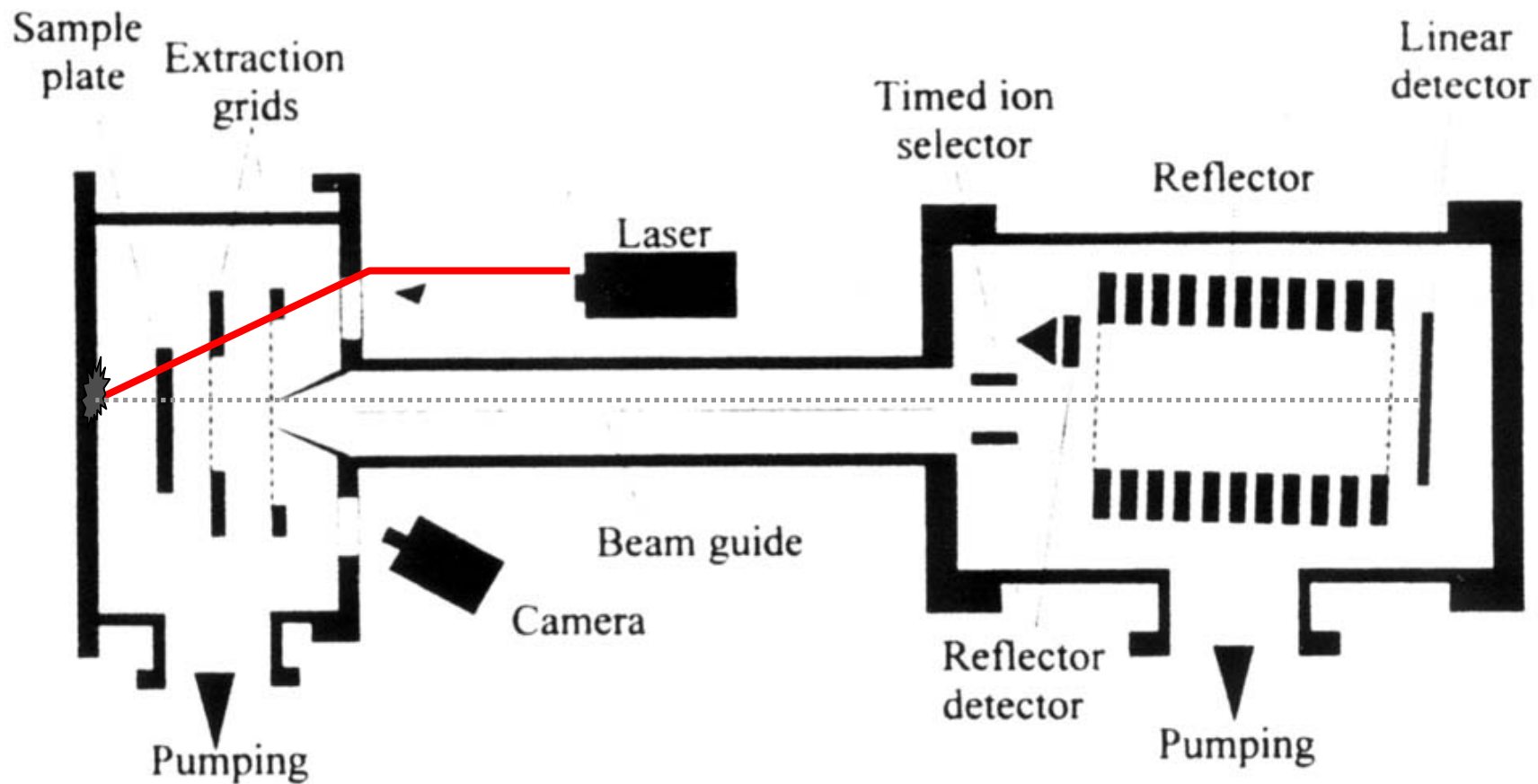
2 issues with functional data

1. **Regularization:** exploiting the assumed smoothness or regularity between measurements within a curve
2. **Replication:** combining information across N curves

Example: Mass Spectrometry Proteomics

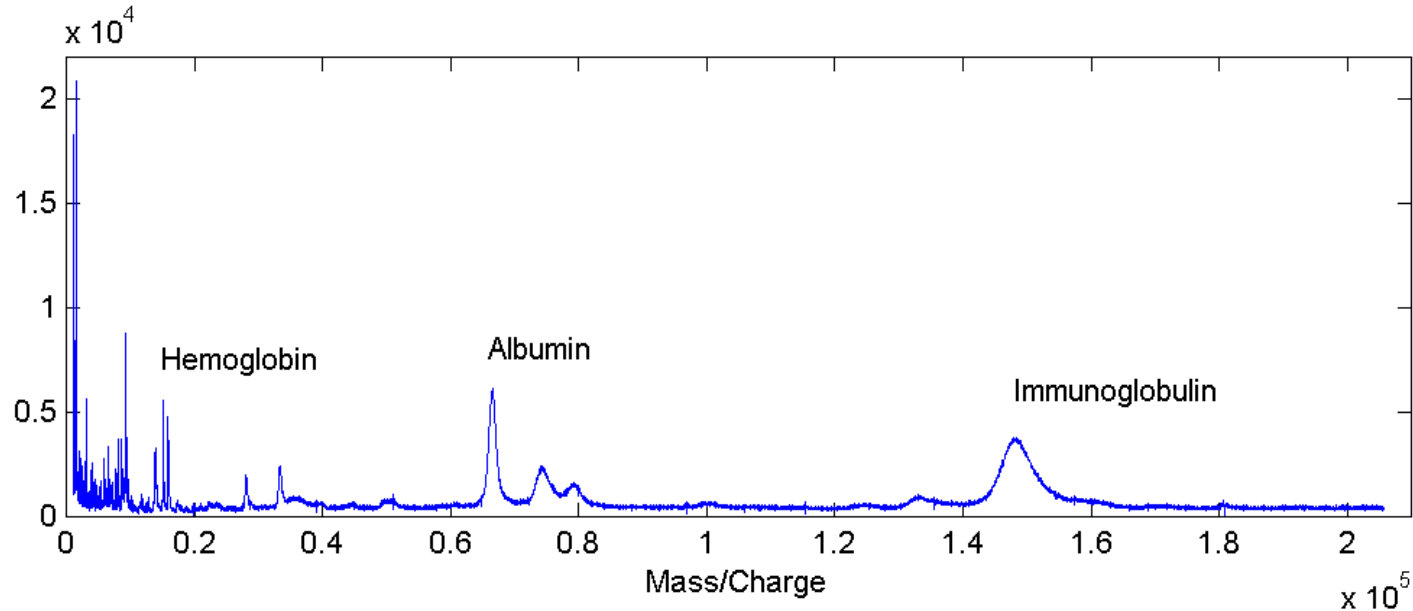
- **Central dogma:** DNA → mRNA → protein
- **Microarrays:** measure expression levels of 10,000s of genes in sample (amount of mRNA)
- **Proteomics:** look at proteins in sample.
 - Gaining increased attention in research
 - Proteins more biologically relevant than mRNA
 - Can use readily available fluids (e.G. Blood, urine)
- **MALDI-TOF:** mass spectrometry instrument that can see 100s or 1000s of proteins in sample

MALDI-TOF Schematic



Vestal and Juhasz. *J. Am. Soc. Mass Spectrom.* **1998**, 9, 892.

Sample MALDI-TOF Spectrum



- MALDI-TOF: Spectrum is “observed function”
- $g(t)$ = intensity of spectrum at m/z value t
- Intensity at peak (roughly) estimates the abundance of some protein with molecular weight of t Daltons

Example: Mouse Proteomics Study

- 16 nude mice had 1 of 2 cancer **cell lines** injected into 1 of 2 **organs** (**lung** or **brain**)
- **Cell lines:**
 - **A375P:** human melanoma, low metastatic potential
 - **PC3MM2:** human prostate, highly metastatic
- Blood Serum extracted from each mouse – placed on 2 MALDI plates
- Samples run at 2 different **laser intensities** (**low/ high**)
- Total of 32 spectra (observed functions), 2 per mouse
- Sampled on equally-spaced grid of roughly 24,000
 - Downsampled to grid of size 2000

Example: Mouse Proteomics Study

- **Goal:**
Find proteins differentially expressed by:
 - Host organ site (lung/brain)
 - Donor cell line (A375P/PC3MM2)
 - Organ-by-cell line interaction
- **Combine information across laser intensities:**
Requires us to include in modeling:
 - Functional **laser intensity effect**
 - **Random effect functions** to account for correlation between spectra from same mouse

Linear Mixed Models

Linear Mixed Model (Laird and Ware, 1982):

$$\underbrace{Y}_{N \times 1} = \underbrace{X}_{N \times p} \underbrace{\beta}_{p \times 1} + \underbrace{Z}_{N \times m} \underbrace{u}_{m \times 1} + \underbrace{e}_{N \times 1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} u &\sim N(0, \underbrace{P}_{m \times m}) \\ e &\sim N(0, \underbrace{R}_{N \times N}) \end{aligned}$$

- **Fixed effects** part, $X\beta$, accommodate a broad class of mean structures, including main effects, interactions, and linear coefficients.
- **Random effects** part, Zu , provide a convenient mechanism for modeling correlation among the N observations.

Functional Mixed Model (FMM)

Suppose we observe a sample of N curves,
 $Y_i(t)$, $i=1, \dots, N$, on a compact set \mathcal{T}

$$\begin{aligned} U(t) &\sim \text{MGP}(P, Q) \\ E(t) &\sim \text{MGP}(R, S) \end{aligned}$$

$$\underbrace{Y(t)}_{N \text{ functions}} = \underbrace{\overbrace{X}^{N \times p}}_{p \text{ functions}} \underbrace{B(t)}_{p \text{ functions}} + \underbrace{\overbrace{Z}^{N \times m}}_{m \text{ functions}} \underbrace{U(t)}_{m \text{ functions}} + \underbrace{E(t)}_{N \text{ functions}}$$

- **DEFN:** $U(t) \sim \text{MGP}(P, Q)$ implies the rows of $P^{-1/2}U(t)$ are ind. mean zero Gaussian Processes with covariance surface $Q(t_1, t_2)$.
 - Functional generalization of **Matrix Normal** (Dawid, 1981).
 - Implies $\text{Cov}\{U_i(t_1), U_j(t_2)\} = P_{ij} * Q(t_1, t_2)$
- **P** and **R** are covariance matrices (between-curve)
- $Q(t_1, t_2)$ and $S(t_1, t_2)$ are covariance surfaces on $\mathcal{T} \times \mathcal{T}$

Discrete Version of FMM

Suppose each observed curve is sampled on a common equally-spaced grid of length T .

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- U and E follow the **Matrix Normal distn.**
 - $U \sim MN(P, Q)$ implies $\text{Cov}\{U_{ij}, U_{i'j'}\} = P_{ii'} * Q_{jj'}$
- P and R are covariance matrices ($m \times m$ & $N \times N$)
- Q and S are within-curve covariance matrices ($T \times T$)

Functional Mixed Models

- **Key feature of FMM:** Does not require specification of parametric form for curves
- Most existing literature for nonparametrically modeling functional data is based on kernels or splines (Guo 2002).
- Kernels/fixed-knot splines may not work well for spatially heterogeneous data
- **Wavelet Regression:** nonparametric regression technique that better preserves local features present in the curves.

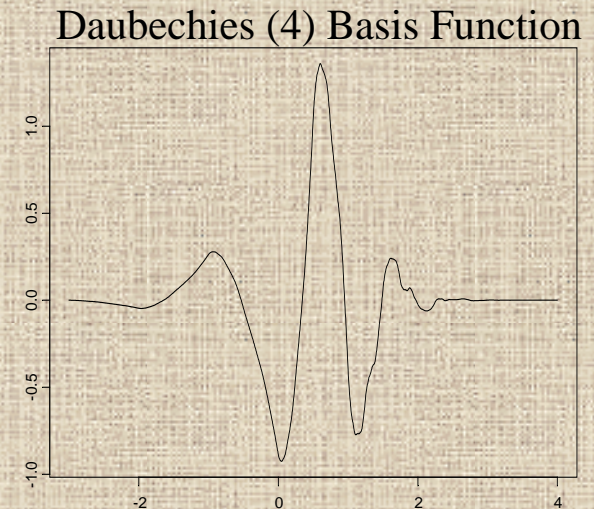
Introduction to Wavelets

- **Wavelets:** families of orthonormal basis functions

$$g(t) = \sum_{j,k \in \mathfrak{I}} d_{jk} \psi_{jk}(t)$$

$$\psi_{jk}(t) = 2^{-j/2} \psi(2^{-j/2} t - k)$$

$$d_{jk} = \int g(t) \psi_{jk}(t) dt$$



- **Discrete Wavelet Transform (DWT):** fast algorithm $\{\mathbf{O}(T)\}$ for obtaining T empirical wavelet coefficients for curves sampled on equally-spaced grid of length T .
- **Linear Representation:** $\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{y} \mathbf{W}'$
 - $\mathbf{W}' = T$ -by- T orthogonal projection matrix
- **Inverse DWT (IDWT):** $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{d} \mathbf{W}$

Wavelet Regression

- **Wavelet Regression:**

- Row vector y : response on equally-spaced grid t (length T)

$$\mathbf{y} = g(\mathbf{t}) + \varepsilon \quad \varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I_T)$$

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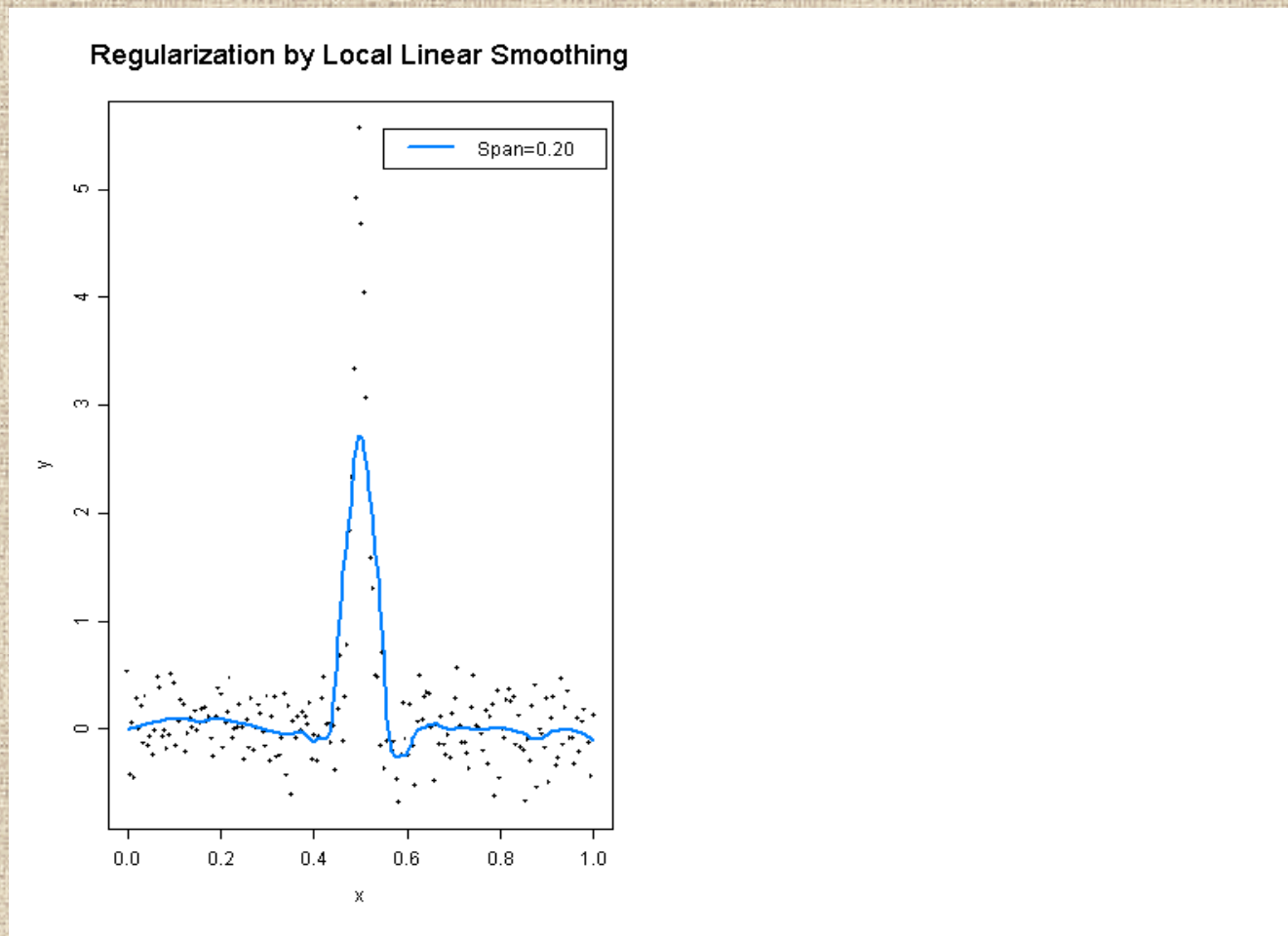
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2. **Estimate $\boldsymbol{\theta}$** by thresholding (or placing mixture prior on $\boldsymbol{\theta}$)
3. **Project back to data space** using IDWT

$$\hat{g}(t) = \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} W$$

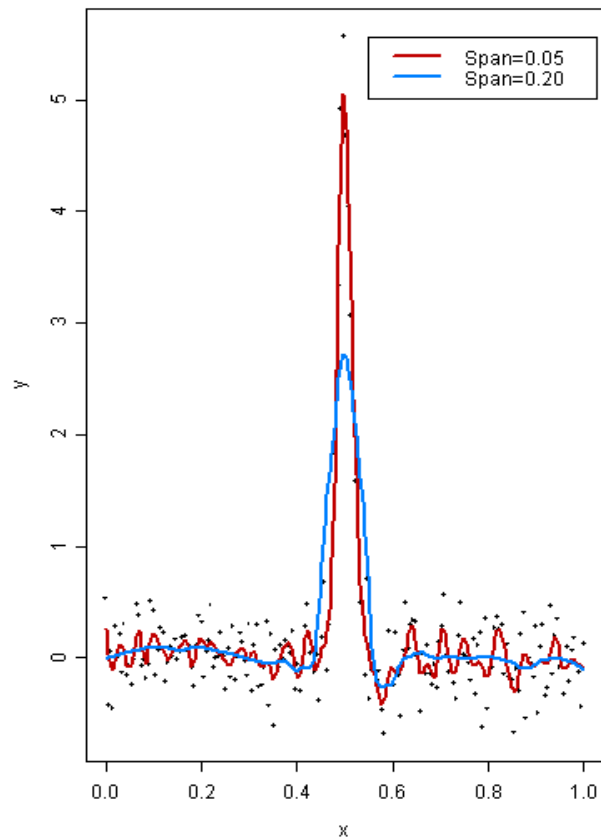
- Yields *adaptive regularized* nonparametric estimate of $g(t)$.

Adaptive Regularization



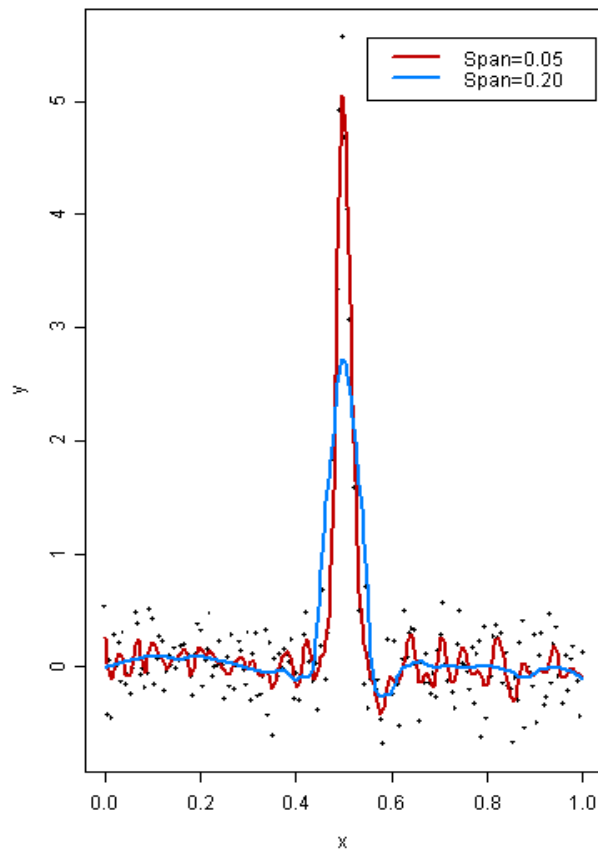
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Regularization by Local Linear Smoothing

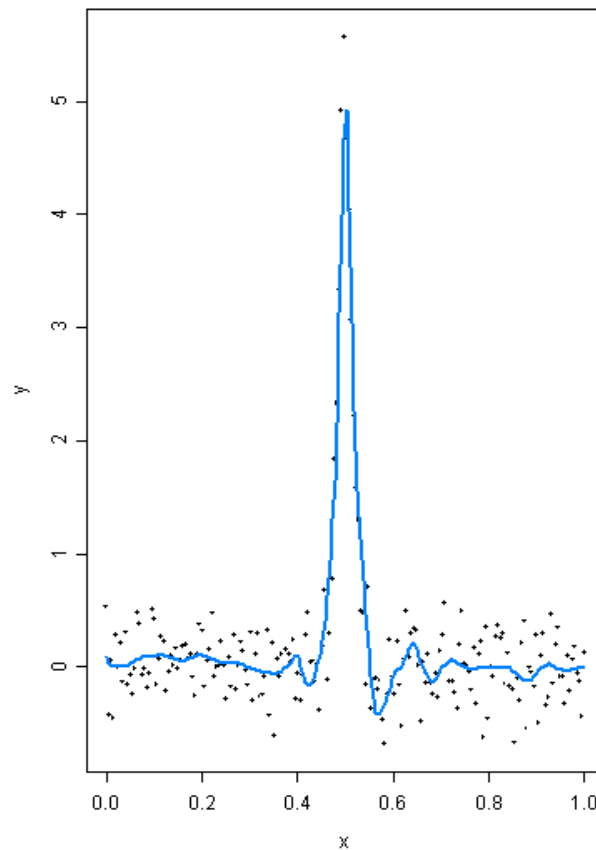


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Regularization by Local Linear Smoothing



Adaptive Regularization by Wavelet Shrinkage



Wavelet-based Hierarchical Functional Models

- Most existing wavelet regression methods for single function case
- **Morris, Vannucci, Brown, and Carroll (2003)**
 - Bayesian wavelet-based method for estimating mean function for functional data from nested design.
 - Extended wavelet regression to hierarchical functional context.
- **Goal:** Develop Bayesian wavelet-based methodology for functional mixed model setting.

Wavelet-based FMM:

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1. Project observed functions Y to wavelet space

- Apply DWT to rows of Y to get wavelet coefficients corresponding to each observed function

$$\underbrace{D}_{N \times T} = \underbrace{Y}_{N \times T} \underbrace{W'}_{T \times T}$$

- Projects the observed curves into the space spanned by the wavelet bases.

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$$U\mathbf{W}' \sim MN(P, \mathbf{W}Q\mathbf{W}')$$

$$E\mathbf{W}' \sim MN(R, \mathbf{W}S\mathbf{W}')$$

Projecting FMM to Wavelet Space

$$\underbrace{\mathbf{D}}_{N \times T} = \underbrace{\mathbf{X}}_{N \times p} \underbrace{\mathbf{B}^*}_{p \times T} + \underbrace{\mathbf{Z}}_{N \times m} \underbrace{\mathbf{U}^*}_{m \times T} + \underbrace{\mathbf{E}^*}_{N \times T}$$

$$\mathbf{U}^* \sim MN(P, \mathbf{Q}^*)$$

$$\mathbf{E}^* \sim MN(R, \mathbf{S}^*)$$

Wavelet Space FMM

D : empirical wavelet coefficients for observed curves

Row i contains wavelet coefficients for observed curve i

Each column **double-indexed** by wavelet scale j and location k

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$$\begin{aligned} U^* &\sim MN(P, Q^*) \\ E^* &\sim MN(R, S^*) \end{aligned}$$

- $B^*=BW'$ & $U^*=UW'$: Rows contain wavelet coefficients for the fixed and random effect functions,
- $E^*=EW'$ is the matrix of residuals
- $Q^*=WQW'$ and $S^*=WSW'$ model the covariance structure between wavelet coefficients for function.

Covariance Assumptions

- We choose **parametric structures** for P and R to model the covariance structure between the curves.
 - Based on the experimental design
 - As in linear mixed models.
- We assume the between-wavelet covariance matrices Q^* and S^* are **diagonal**.
 - Assume wavelet coefficients within given random effect function or residual error process are independent
 - Heuristically justified by whitening property of DWT
 - Common assumption in wavelet regression
 - Is parsimonious in wavelet space (T parameters), yet leads to flexible class of covariance structures in data space

Wavelet Space Model

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Model Each Column Separately

$$\underbrace{d_{jk}}_{N \times 1} = \underbrace{X}_{N \times p} \underbrace{\beta_{jk}^*}_{p \times 1} + \underbrace{Z}_{N \times m} \underbrace{u_{jk}^*}_{m \times 1} + \underbrace{e_{jk}^*}_{N \times 1}$$

$$u_{jk}^* \sim N(0, P \cdot q_{jk}^*)$$

$$e_{jk}^* \sim N(0, R \cdot s_{jk}^*)$$

Single Wavelet Coefficient Model

- Independence assumption allows us to fit wavelet-space model **one column at a time**.
 - i.e., we have a series of T (scalar) mixed models, with the only shared parameters being the between-curve covariance parameters in P and R .
- In principal, we could fit this model using standard mixed models software.
- However, fitting this model without additional mechanism for regularization would result in **rough, noisy estimates** of the p fixed effects functions $B_i(t)$

Prior Assumptions

Mixture prior on β_{ijk}^* :

$$\beta_{ijk}^* = \gamma_{ijk}^* N(0, \tau_{ij}) + (1 - \gamma_{ijk}^*) \delta_0$$

$$\gamma_{ijk}^* = \text{Bernoulli}(\pi_{ij})$$

- Nonlinearly shrinks β_{ijk}^* towards 0, leading to **adaptively regularized** estimates of $\beta_i(t)$.
- τ_{ij} & π_{ij} are **regularization parameters**
 - Can be estimated from the data using **empirical Bayes**
 - Extend Clyde&George (1999) to functional mixed model

Model Fitting

- **MCMC** to obtain posterior samples of model quantities
 - Work with marginal likelihood; U^* integrated out;
- Let Ω be a vector containing ALL covariance parameters (i.e. for P , Q^* , R , and S^*).

MCMC Steps

1. Sample from $f(B^*/D, \Omega)$:

Mixture of normals and point masses at 0 for each i, j, k .

2. Sample from $f(\Omega/D, B^*)$:

Metropolis-Hastings steps for each j, k

3. If desired, sample from $f(U^*/D, B^*, \Omega)$:

Multivariate normals

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- Apply IDWT to posterior samples of B^* to get posterior samples of fixed effect functions $B_i(t)$ for $i=1, \dots, p$, on grid t .
 - **$B=B^*W$**
- Posterior samples of $U(t)$, P , Q , R , and S are also available, if desired
- Can be used for **Bayesian inference/prediction**
Posterior probabilities, Bayes Factors, posterior predictive probabilities easy to compute.

Example: Model

Let $Y(t)$ be the $N=32$ MALDI spectra, preprocessed.

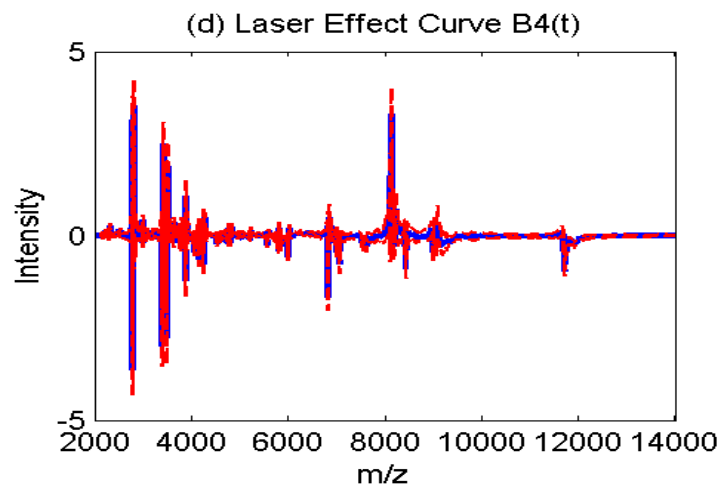
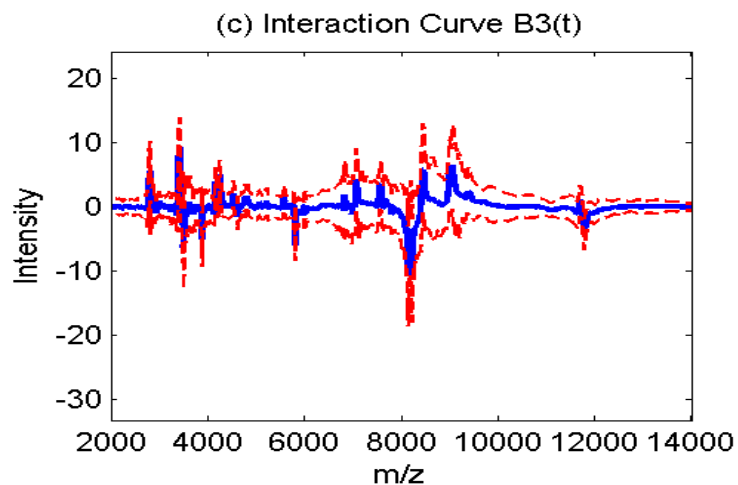
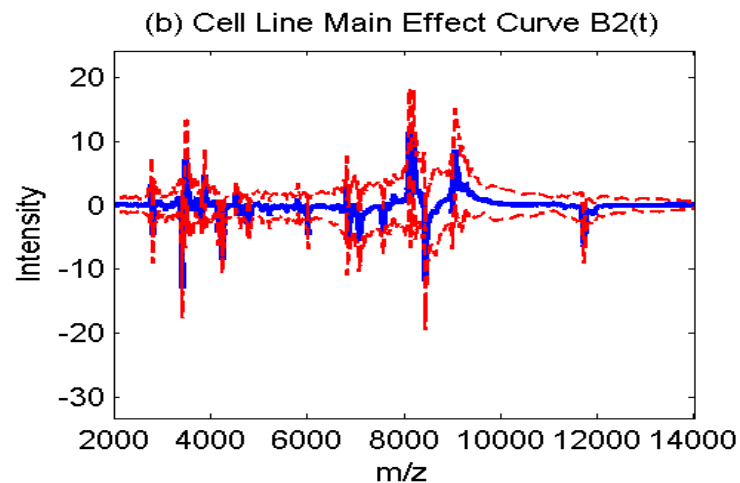
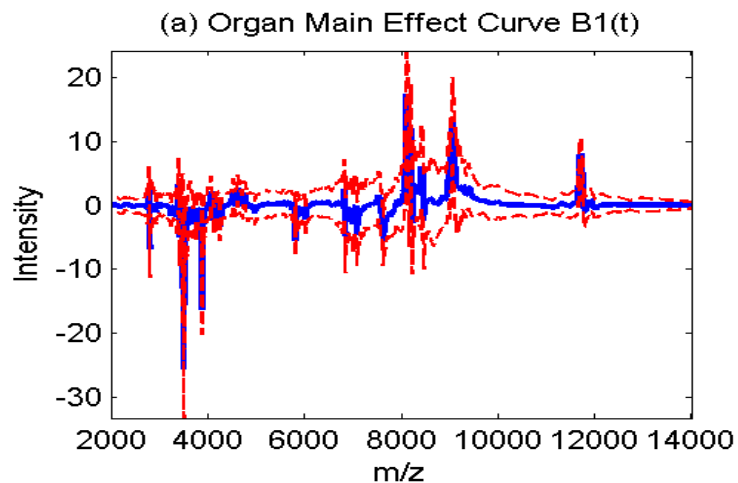
$$Y(t) = XB(t) + ZU(t) + E(t)$$

- $X = \{1, X_{organ}, X_{cell-line}, X_{int}, X_{laser}\}$, where
 $X_{organ} = 1$ for lung, -1 brain. $X_{cell-line} = 1$ for A375P, -1 for PC3MM2
 $X_{int} = X_{organ} * X_{cell-line}$ $X_{laser} = 1$ for low laser intensity, -1 high.
- $B(t) = \{B_0(t), B_1(t), B_2(t), B_3(t), B_4(t)\}$, where
 $B_0(t)$ = overall mean spectrum $B_1(t)$ = organ main effect function
 $B_2(t)$ = cell-line main effect $B_3(t)$ = org x cell-line int function
 $B_4(t)$ = laser intensity effect function
- $Z = 1_2 \otimes I_{16}$, and $U(t) = \{U_1(t), \dots, U_{16}(t)\}$ are mouse random effect functions.

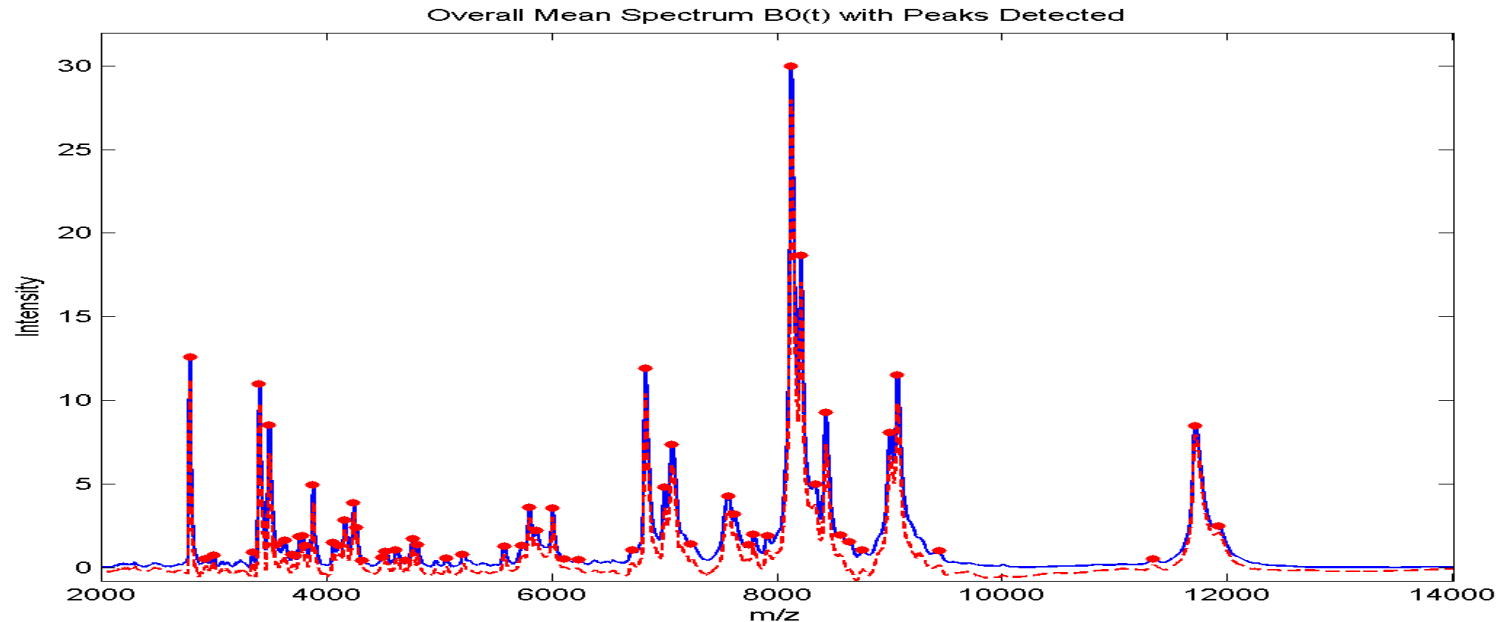
Example: Model Fitting

- Daubechies 8 wavelet basis, $J=11$ levels
- **Empirical Bayes** procedure used to estimate regularization parameters π_{ij} and τ_{ij} from data.
- Burn-in 1000; 20,000 MCMC samples; thin=10
- Took **7hr 53min** on Win2000 P-IV 2.8GHz 2GB RAM
 - That is Matlab code; C++ code takes **~2 hours**.
- Trace plots indicated good convergence properties
- Metropolis Hastings acceptance probabilities good:
 - Range of (0.04, 0.53)
 - (10th, 50th, 90th) percentiles of (0.20, 0.29, 0.50)

Example: Results



Example: Peak Detection



- We first did “**peak detection**”
Local maxima in posterior mean (denoised) estimate of $B_0(t)$ with
High posterior probability of nonzero mean; $\Pr\{B_0(t) > 0/Y\} \geq 0.95$
- Using this criterion, we found 58 peaks
- We restrict inference to values of t at peaks

Example: Flagged Peaks

Detecting 'significant' peaks: (assoc. w/ organ,cl,int)

For each t at a peak, compute $p_i(t) = \min[\Pr\{B_i(t) > 0\}, \Pr\{B_i(t) < 0\}]$

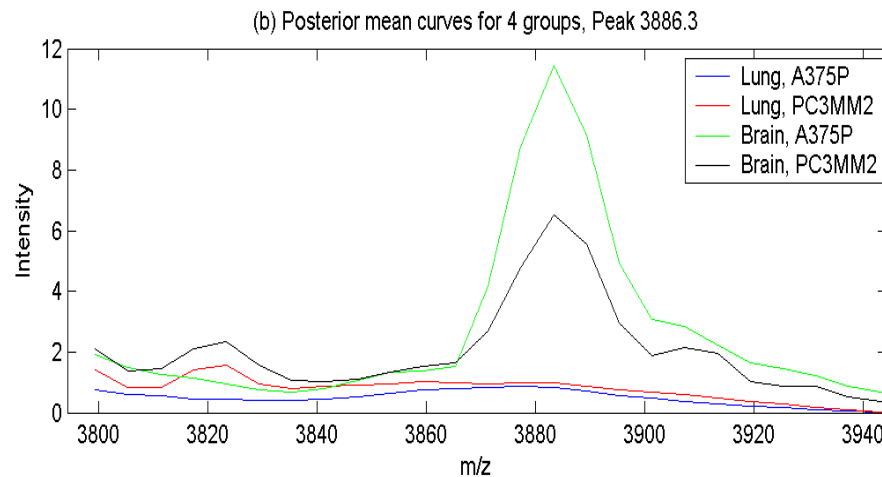
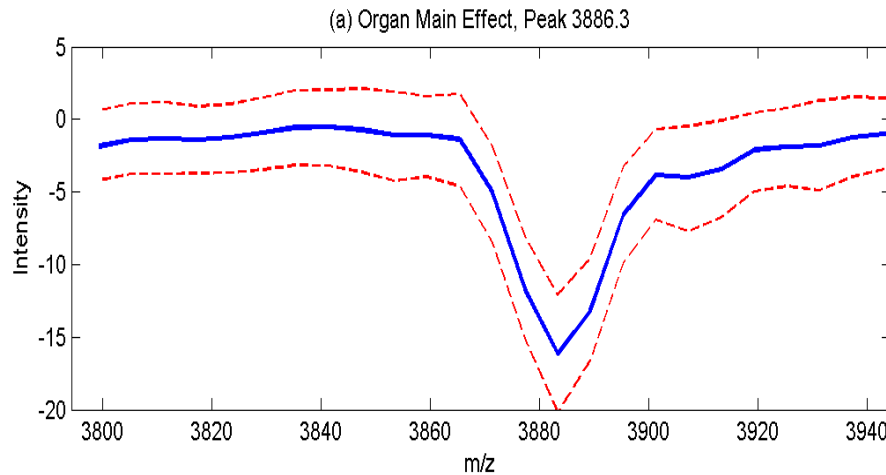
Flag any peak for which $p_i(t)$ is very small.

Using this criterion, we flagged **9 peaks** as interesting

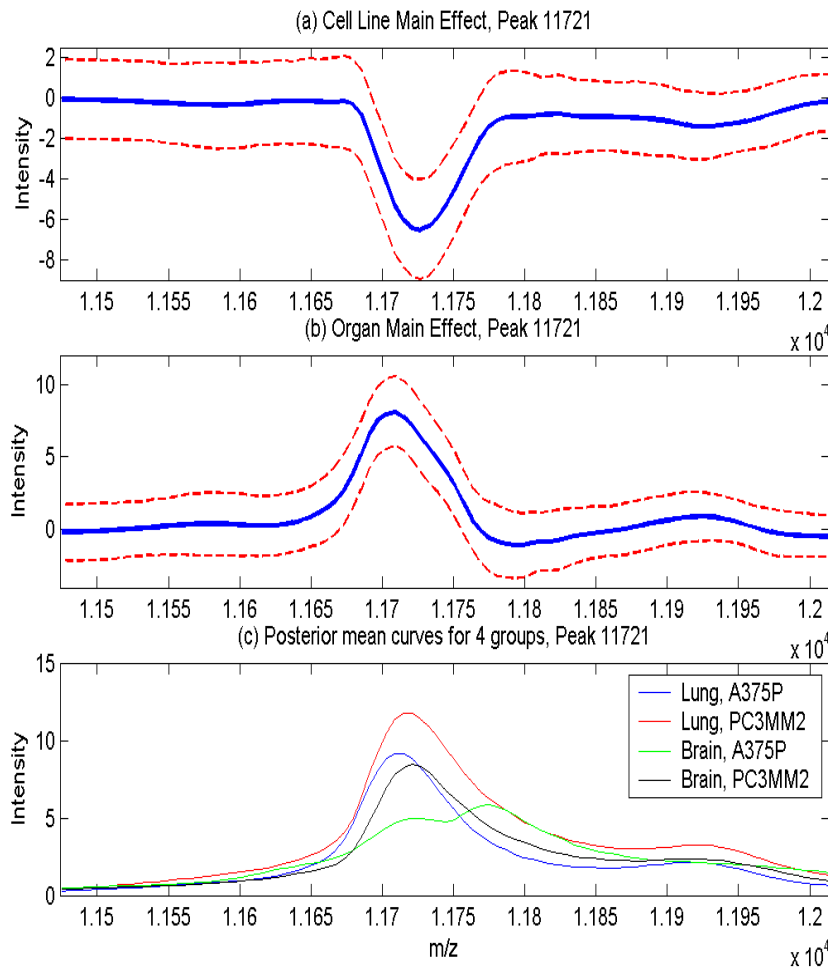
m/z	Effect	p	Comment
3412.6	int.	<0.0005	PC3MM2>A375P for brain-injected only
3496.6	organ	<0.0005	Only expressed in brain-injected mice
3886.3	organ	<0.0005	Only expressed in brain-injected mice
4168.2	int.	0.0005	PC3MM2>A375P in brain-injected only
4252.1	int.	<0.0005	PC3MM2>A375P in brain-injected only
4270.1	cell line	<0.0005	PC3MM2>A375P
5805.3	int.	<0.0005	brain>lung only for mice given A375P cell-line
6015.2	cell line	<0.0005	PC3MM2>A375P
11721	cell line	<0.0005	PC3MM2>A375P
11721	organ	<0.0005	lung>brain

Example: Results

- Specific to brain-injected mice
- May be **CGRP-II** (3882.34 Dal), peptide in mouse proteome that dilates blood vessels in brain
- Host response to tumor implanted in brain?

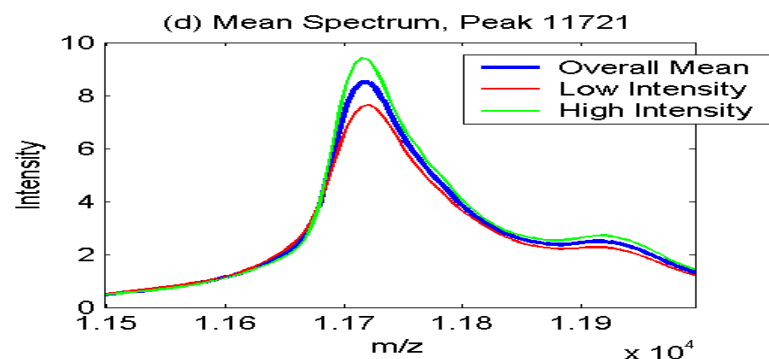
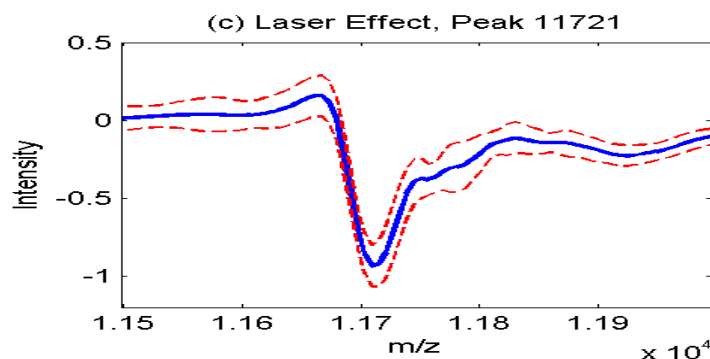
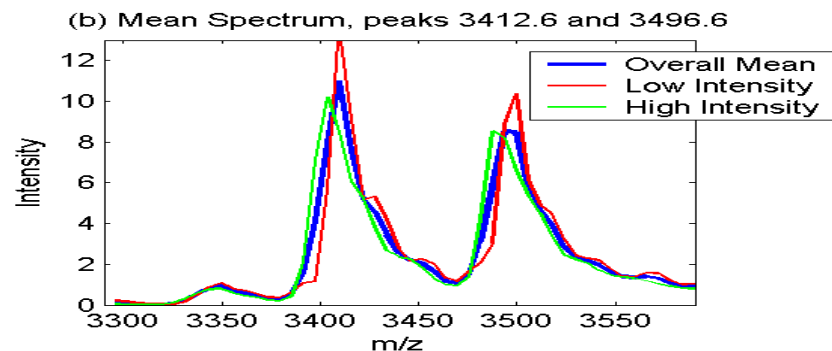
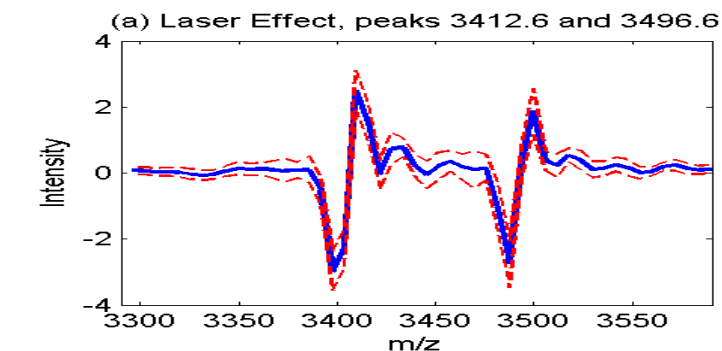


Example: Results



- Higher in mice injected with metastatic (PC3-MM2) cell line
- May be **MTS1** (11721.43 Dalt), metastatic cell protein in mouse proteome.
- Also higher in lung-injected mice than brain-injected mice

Example: Results



- Laser intensity effect adjusts for:
 - **Shifts** in intensities
 - **Offsets** in m/z scale
- Important proof of principle that “linear” functional term can be used to adjust for functional effects of nuisance factors

Discussion

- Introduced unified modeling approach for FDA
 - Applied here to MALDI-TOF, but method is general.
- Method based on mixed models; is **FLEXIBLE**
 - Accommodates a **wide range of experimental designs**
 - Addresses **large number of research questions**
- Posterior samples allow **Bayesian inference and prediction**
 - **Posterior credible intervals**; pointwise or joint
 - **Predictive distributions** for future sampled curves
 - **Predictive probabilities** for group membership of new curves
 - Bayesian functional inference can be done via **Bayes Factors**
- Since a unified modeling approach is used, all **sources of variability** in the model **propagated throughout inference.**

Discussion

- Since functions adaptively regularized using wavelet shrinkage, the method is **appropriate for spatially heterogeneous functional data**.
- Approach is Bayesian. The **only informative priors to elicit are regularization parameters**, which can be estimated from data using empirical Bayes.
- Method complex, but **code straightforward to implement**.
- Method **generalizes to higher dimensional functions**, e.g. image data, space/time (fixed domain) data.
- We used wavelet bases, but approach can be generalized to **other orthogonal basis functions**.
- Major challenges in developing unified statistical modeling approach for replicated functional data, but worth the effort.

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