



Analysis of Inverse Stochastic Moment Equations of Groundwater Flow in Heterogeneous Porous Media

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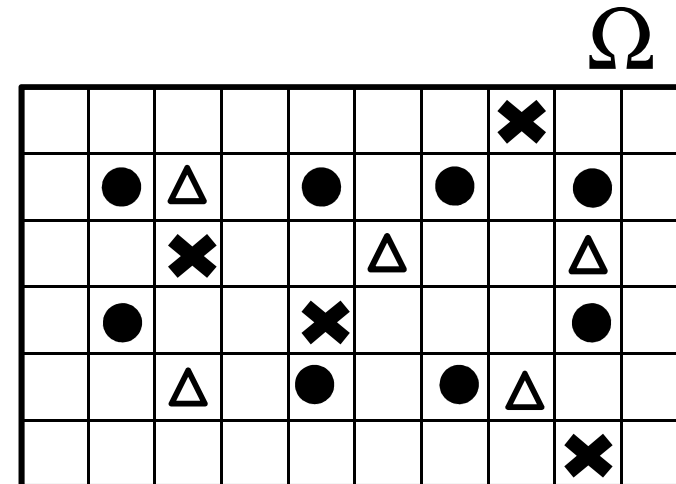
Available data:

- Log-conductivity ($Y=\ln(K)$) measurements
- Hydraulic head (h) measurements

Pilot points approach:

De Marsily, 1974

Log-conductivity measurements Δ
Pilot points $\bullet$
Hydraulic head measurements $\times$



Estimation of:

- Spatial distribution of the parameters governing the groundwater flow equation $\ln(K)$
- Underlying variogram key parameters (I_Y, σ_Y^2)
- Statistical parameters ($\sigma_{hE}^2, \sigma_{yE}^2$)



Moment Equations of Groundwater Flow

Neuman and Orr, 1993

Tartakovsky and Neuman, 1998

Guadagnini and Neuman, 1999

Ye et al., 2004

Zero-order mean flow equation:

$$\left\langle \bar{\mathbf{q}}^{(0)}(\mathbf{x}, \lambda) \right\rangle = -K_G(\mathbf{x}) \nabla \left\langle \bar{h}^{(0)}(\mathbf{x}, \lambda) \right\rangle \quad \mathbf{x} \in \Omega$$

$$\nabla \cdot \left\langle \bar{\mathbf{q}}^{(0)}(\mathbf{x}, \lambda) \right\rangle + S(\mathbf{x}) \lambda \left\langle \bar{h}^{(0)}(\mathbf{x}, \lambda) \right\rangle = \left\langle \bar{f}(\mathbf{x}, \lambda) \right\rangle + S(\mathbf{x}) \left\langle H_0(\mathbf{x}) \right\rangle \quad \mathbf{x} \in \Omega$$

Second-order mean flow equation:

$$\left\langle \bar{\mathbf{q}}^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}, \lambda) \right\rangle = -K_G(\mathbf{x}) \left[\nabla \left\langle \bar{h}^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}, \lambda) \right\rangle + \frac{\sigma_Y^2(\mathbf{x})}{2} \nabla \left\langle \bar{h}^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}, \lambda) \right\rangle \right] + \bar{\mathbf{r}}_c^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}, \lambda) \quad \mathbf{x} \in \Omega$$

$$\nabla \cdot \left\langle \bar{\mathbf{q}}^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}, \lambda) \right\rangle + S(\mathbf{x}) \lambda \left\langle \bar{h}^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}, \lambda) \right\rangle = 0 \quad \mathbf{x} \in \Omega$$



Parameters:

$$\boldsymbol{\beta} = [\mathbf{Y}, \boldsymbol{\theta}]^T$$

Observations:

$$\mathbf{z}^* = [\mathbf{Y}^*, \mathbf{h}^*]^T$$

Maximum Likelihood Calibration (*Carrera and Neuman, 1986a*)

(*Hernandez et al., 2003, 2006*)

$$NLL = -2 \ln \left[p(z^* | \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) \right] = \frac{J}{\sigma_{hE}^2} + \ln |\mathbf{V}_y| + \ln |\mathbf{V}_h| + N_h \ln \sigma_{hE}^2 + N_y \ln \sigma_{yE}^2 + N \ln 2\pi$$

For fixed value of $\boldsymbol{\theta} = [I_Y, \sigma_Y^2, \sigma_{hE}^2, \sigma_{yE}^2]^T$ (to avoid instability)

Objective function:

$$J = (\mathbf{h}^* - \hat{\mathbf{h}})^T \mathbf{V}_h^{-1} (\mathbf{h}^* - \hat{\mathbf{h}}) + \mu (\mathbf{Y}^* - \hat{\mathbf{Y}})^T \mathbf{V}_y^{-1} (\mathbf{Y}^* - \hat{\mathbf{Y}})$$

($\mu = \sigma_{hE}^2 / \sigma_{yE}^2$: plausibility weight)



How to estimate $\boldsymbol{\theta} = \left[I_Y, \sigma_Y^2, \sigma_{hE}^2, \sigma_{yE}^2 \right]^T$?

NLL: no discriminatory power to select the optimum $\boldsymbol{\theta}_k$
(*Riva et al. 2010*)

Find the optimum $\boldsymbol{\theta}_k$ minimizing:

$$AIC_k = -2 \ln \left[L(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_k | \mathbf{z}^*) \right] + 2N_k \quad \text{Akaike, 1974}$$

$$AICc_k = -2 \ln \left[L(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_k | \mathbf{z}^*) \right] + 2N_k + \frac{2N_k (N_k + 1)}{N_z - N_k - 1} \quad \text{Hurvich and Tsai, 1989}$$

$$BIC_k = -2 \ln \left[L(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_k | \mathbf{z}^*) \right] + N_k \ln N_z \quad \text{Schwarz, 1978}$$

$$KIC_k = -2 \ln \left[L(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_k | \mathbf{z}^*) \right] - 2 \ln \left[p(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_k) \right] + N_k \ln (N_z / 2\pi) + \ln |\bar{\mathbf{F}}_k| \quad \text{Kashyap, 1982}$$



Minimization of NLL with respect to model parameters:

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{Y}_H} NLL \Big|_{\mathbf{Y}_H = \hat{\mathbf{Y}}_H} = \frac{2}{\sigma_{hE}^2} \mathfrak{Z}^T \mathbf{V}_h^{-1} (\hat{\mathbf{h}} - \mathbf{h}^*) + \frac{2}{\sigma_{YE}^2} \mathbf{V}_Y^{-1} (\hat{\mathbf{Y}}_H - \mathbf{Y}_H^*) = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} \hat{\mathbf{Y}}_M = \mathbf{Y}_M^* - \frac{\sigma_{YE}^2}{\sigma_{hE}^2} \mathbf{V}_{YM} \mathfrak{Z}_{N_M}^T \mathbf{V}_h^{-1} (\hat{\mathbf{h}}(\hat{\mathbf{Y}}_M, \hat{\mathbf{Y}}_P) - \mathbf{h}^*) \\ \hat{\mathbf{Y}}_P = \mathbf{Y}_P^* - \frac{\sigma_{YE}^2}{\sigma_{hE}^2} \mathbf{V}_{YP} \mathfrak{Z}_{N_P}^T \mathbf{V}_h^{-1} (\hat{\mathbf{h}}(\hat{\mathbf{Y}}_M, \hat{\mathbf{Y}}_P) - \mathbf{h}^*) \end{cases}$$

$$\lim_{\sigma_Y^2 \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{J_h}{\sigma_{hE}^2} + \frac{J_{YM}}{\sigma_{yE}^2} + \frac{J_{YP}}{\sigma_{yE}^2} + N_t \ln |\mathbf{V}_x| + \ln |\mathbf{V}_Y| + N_h \ln \sigma_{hE}^2 + N_Y \ln \sigma_{YE}^2 + N \ln 2\pi \right)$$



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Kriging equations:

$$\begin{cases} \sum_{j=1}^{N_M} \varpi_j(\mathbf{x}_p) C_Y(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j) + \varpi_i(\mathbf{x}_p) \sigma_{YE}^2 - \mu(\mathbf{x}_p) = C_Y(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_p) & i = 1, \dots, N_M \\ \sum_{j=1}^{N_M} \varpi_j(\mathbf{x}_p) = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\langle \varepsilon_{Yp}^* \varepsilon_{Yq}^* \rangle = C_Y(\mathbf{x}_p - \mathbf{x}_q) - \sum_{j=1}^{N_M} \varpi_j(\mathbf{x}_p) C_Y(\mathbf{x}_j - \mathbf{x}_q) + \mu(\mathbf{x}_p) \quad p, q = 1, 2, \dots, N_p$$

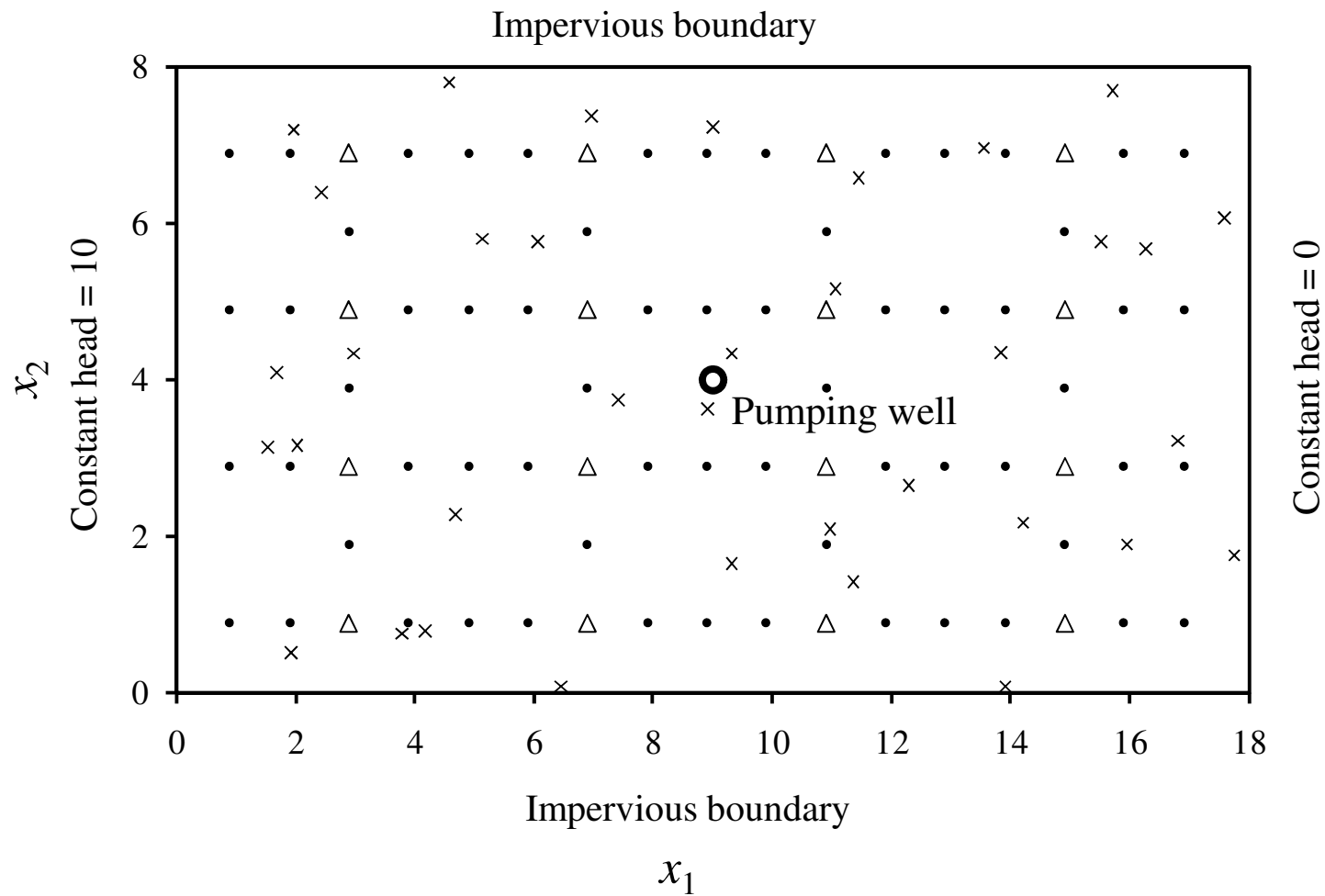
$$\begin{cases} \lim_{\sigma_Y^2 \rightarrow 0} \varpi_j(\mathbf{x}_p) \rightarrow \frac{1}{N_M} \\ \lim_{\sigma_Y^2 \rightarrow 0} \mu(\mathbf{x}_p) \rightarrow \frac{\sigma_{YE}^2}{N_M} \\ \lim_{\sigma_Y^2 \rightarrow 0} \langle \varepsilon_{Yp}^* \varepsilon_{Yq}^* \rangle \rightarrow \frac{\sigma_{YE}^2}{N_M} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \lim_{\sigma_Y^2 \rightarrow 0} J = J(\sigma_Y^2 = 0) \\ \lim_{\sigma_Y^2 \rightarrow 0} |\mathbf{V}_Y| = \lim_{\sigma_Y^2 \rightarrow 0} |\mathbf{V}_{YM}| |\mathbf{V}_{YP}| = 0 \end{cases}$$

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Example: numerical model

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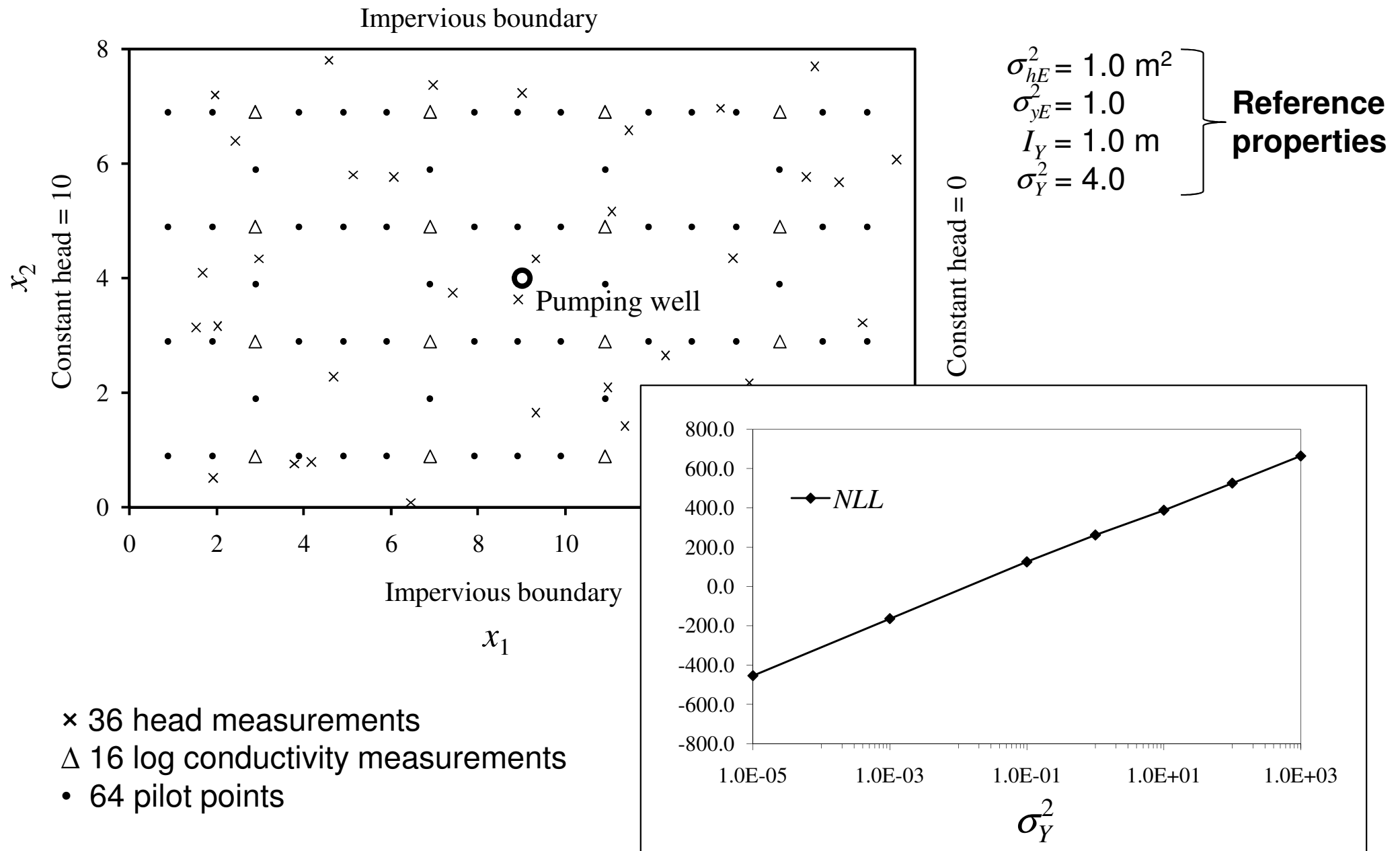
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- × 36 head measurements
- Δ 16 log conductivity measurements
- 64 pilot points



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Positive definite matrix





Estimation of σ_Y^2

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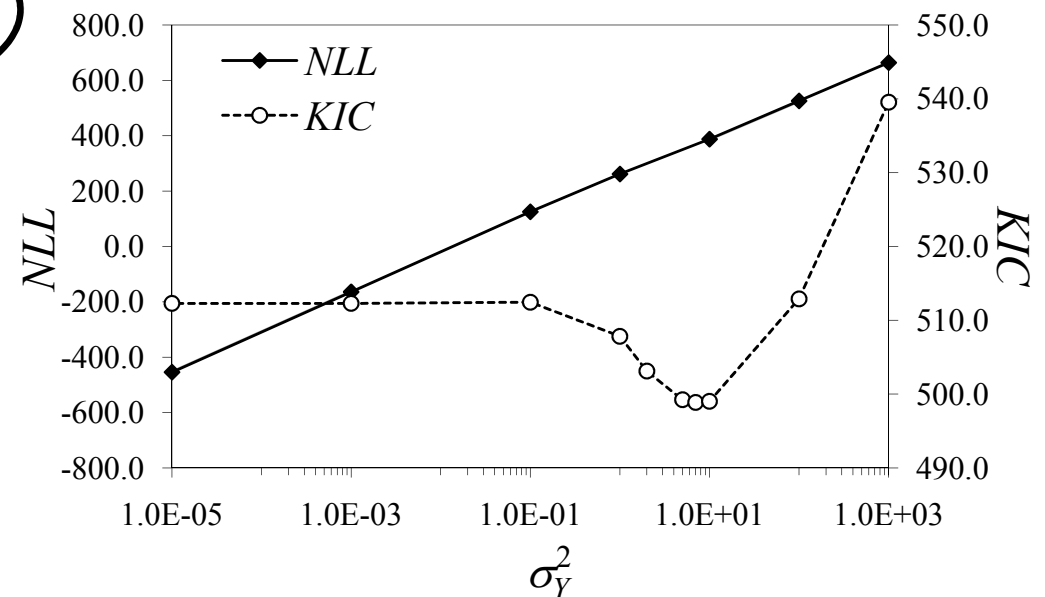
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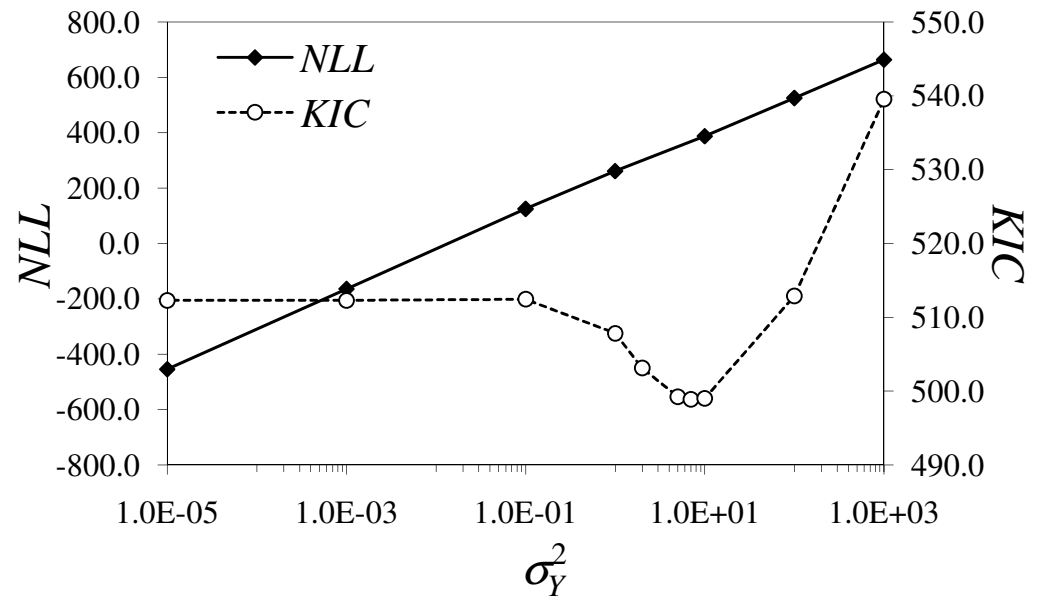
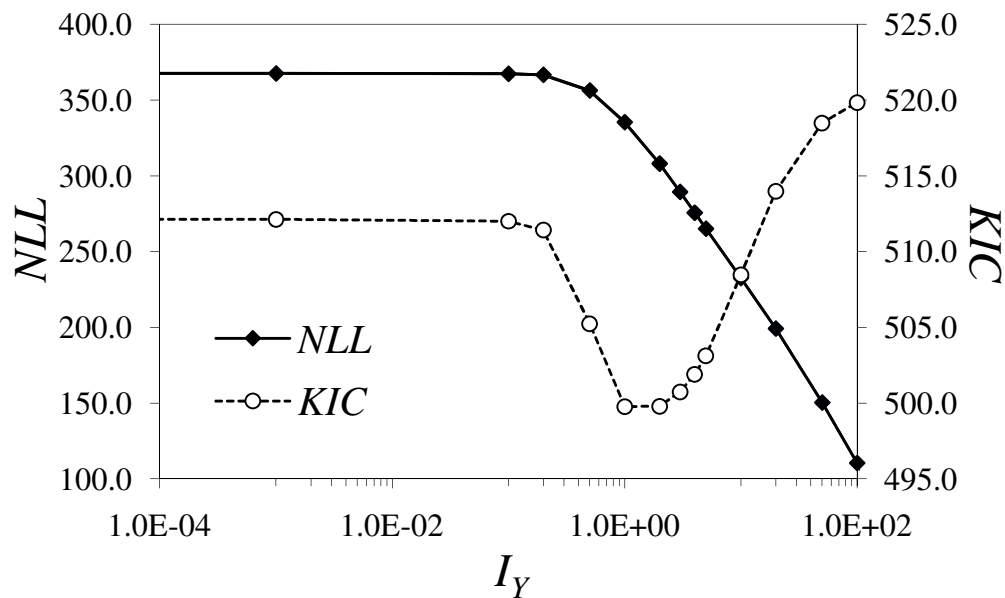
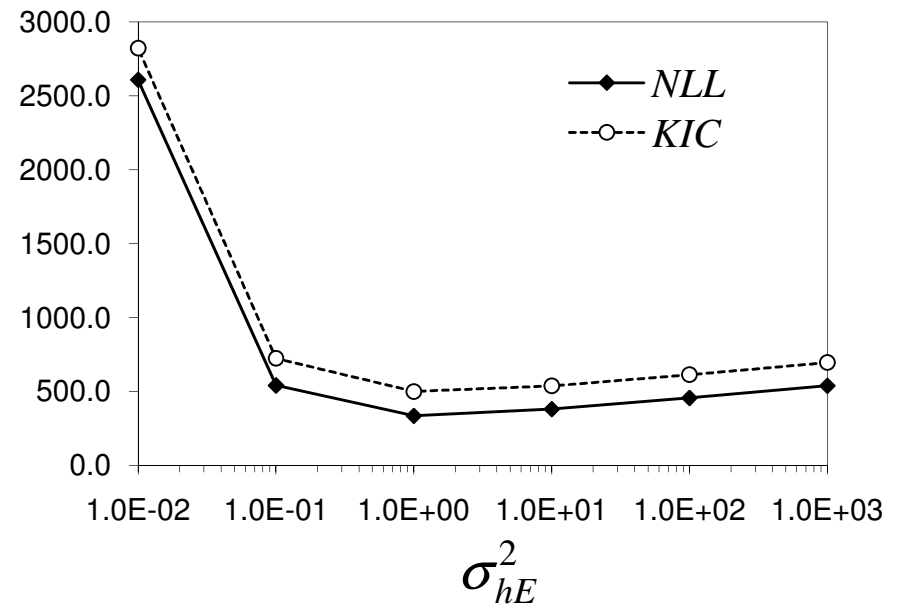
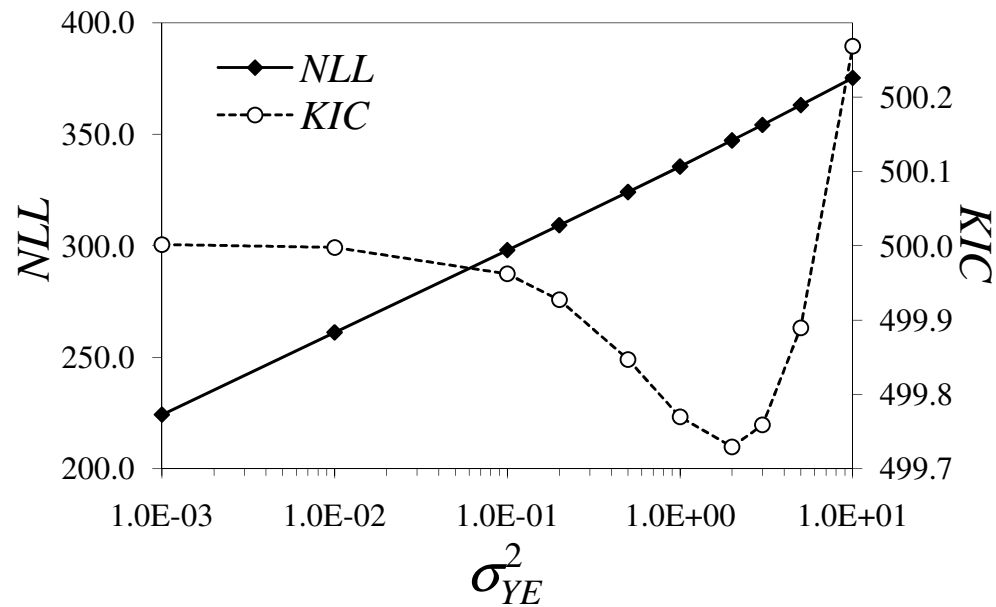
With an analogous procedure it is possible to obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{I_Y \rightarrow \infty} NLL &= \lim_{I_Y \rightarrow \infty} \frac{J}{\sigma_{hE}^2} + N_t \ln |\mathbf{V}_x| + \lim_{I_Y \rightarrow \infty} \ln |\mathbf{V}_Y| + \\ &\quad + N_h \ln \sigma_{hE}^2 + N_Y \ln \sigma_{YE}^2 + N \ln 2\pi \rightarrow -\infty\end{aligned}$$
$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{\sigma_{YE}^2 \rightarrow 0} NLL &= \lim_{\sigma_{YE}^2 \rightarrow 0} \frac{J}{\sigma_{hE}^2} + N_t \ln |\mathbf{V}_x| + \lim_{\sigma_{YE}^2 \rightarrow 0} \ln |\mathbf{V}_Y| + \\ &\quad + N_h \ln \sigma_{hE}^2 + N_Y \lim_{\sigma_{YE}^2 \rightarrow 0} \ln \sigma_{YE}^2 + N \ln 2\pi \rightarrow -\infty\end{aligned}$$



Example: estimation of θ (zero-order)

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Geostatistical Inverse algorithm (2)

Iterative inverse algorithm

$$\boldsymbol{\theta} = \left[I_Y, \sigma_Y^2, \sigma_{hE}^2, \sigma_{yE}^2 \right]^T$$

Initialization ($G=1$):

- Set $\boldsymbol{\theta} = \boldsymbol{\theta}_{k,G}$ $k=1, \dots, Np$
- Find the optimum $\mathbf{Y}_k$ minimizing NLL_k (gradient-based algorithm)
- Compute $KIC_{k,G}$

Differentiation:

- Set $\boldsymbol{\chi}_k$ $k=1, \dots, Np$
- Compute $KIC_{k,G}$

Selection:

Select between $\boldsymbol{\chi}_k$ and $\boldsymbol{\theta}_{k,G}$ (parsimony principle)

Convergence?

End

Yes

No

$\boldsymbol{\theta}_{k,G}$

$G = G + 1$

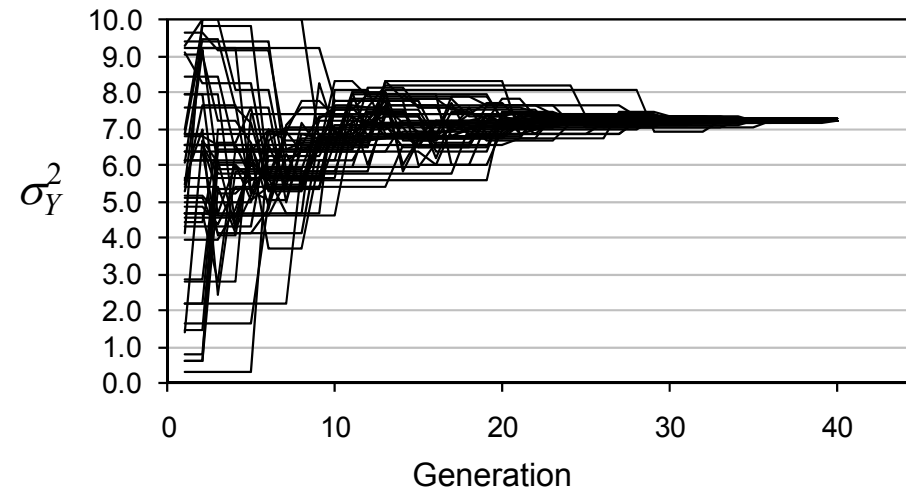
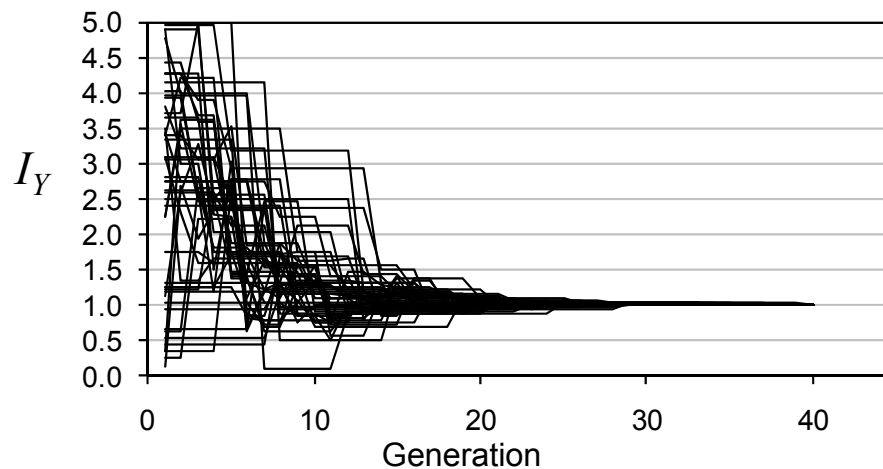
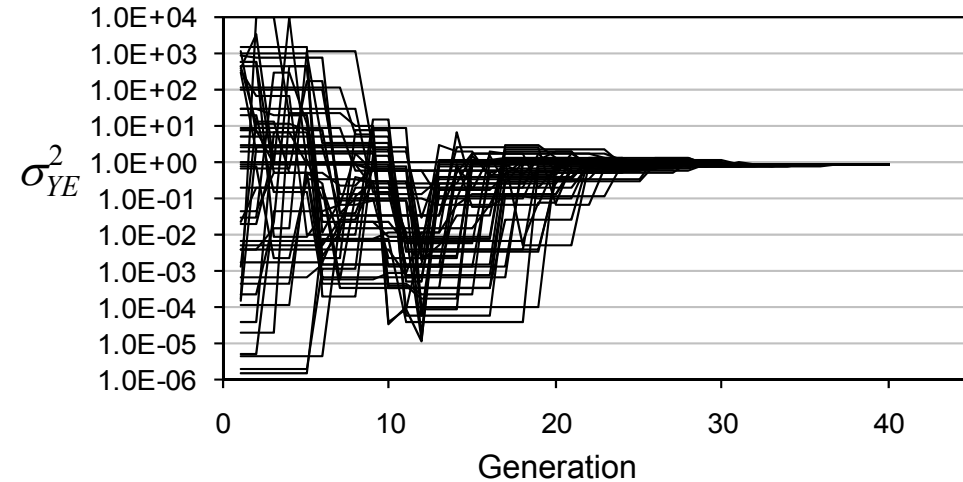
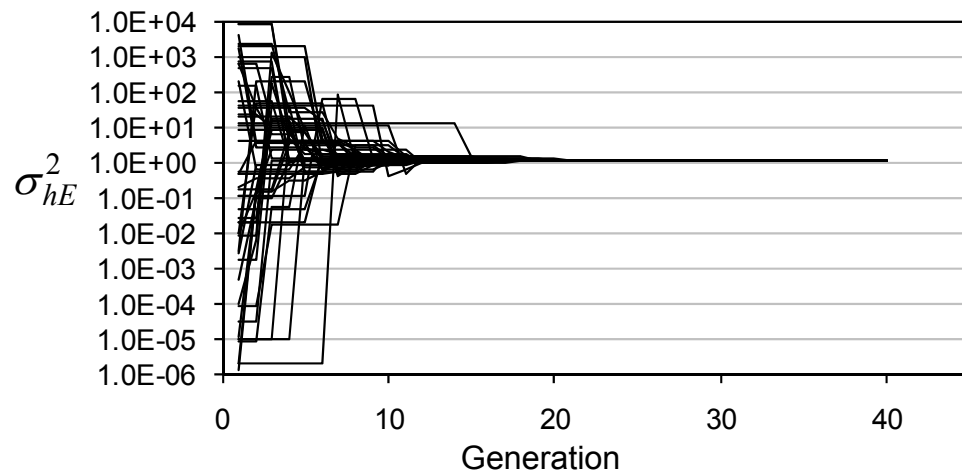


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Joint estimation of $\theta = [I_Y, \sigma_Y^2, \sigma_{hE}^2, \sigma_{yE}^2]^T$

Reference properties

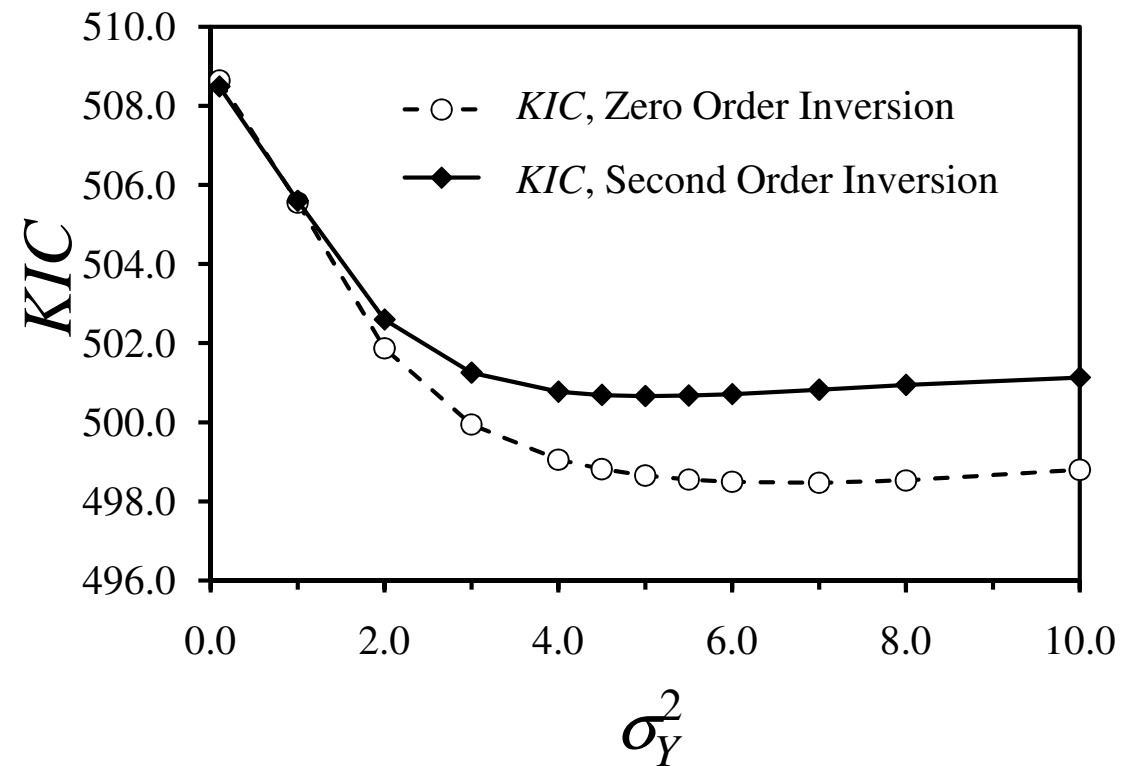
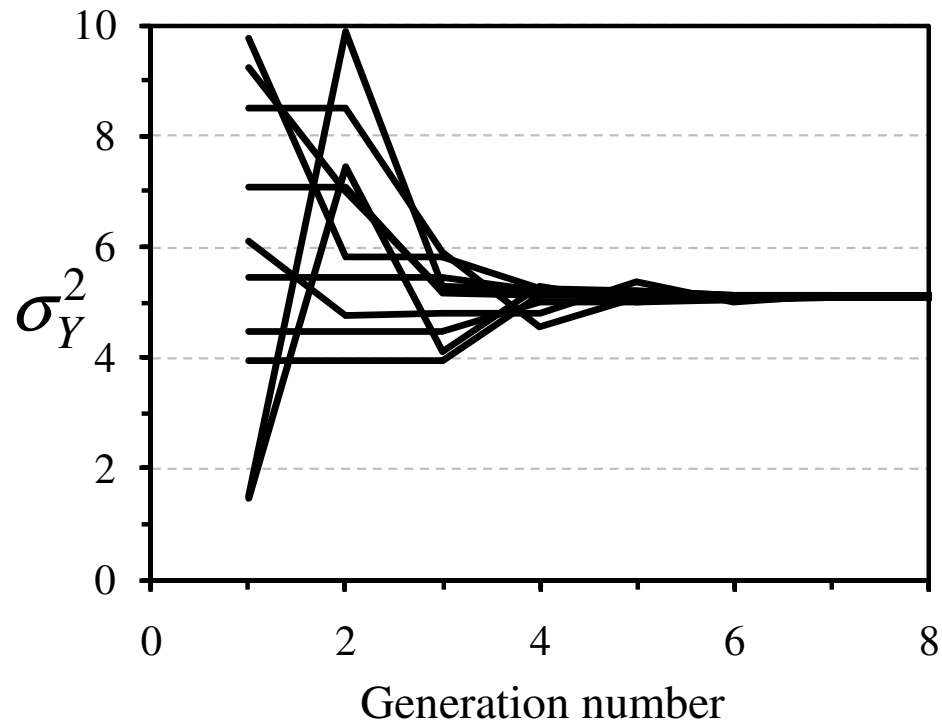
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Example: estimation of σ_Y^2 (second-order)

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$$I_Y = 1.02; \sigma_{hE}^2 = 1.17; \sigma_{YE}^2 = 0.89$$





- *KIC*: well suited for the estimation of statistical data- and model- parameters
- *NLL*, *BIC*, *AIC*, *AICc* and *HIC*: valid to estimate only one of the parameters we consider (variance of hydraulic head measurement errors)
- Minimization of *KIC*: accurately and efficiently performed by a genetic search algorithm based on DEM (Differential Evolution Algorithm)
- Statistical parameters and variogram integral scale: accurately estimated by means of zero-order approximations of conditional mean flow equation
- Variogram sill: requires second-order version of mean flow equation.