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calCov	<i>Calculate stationary Gaussian process kernel</i>
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Description

Covariance calculations for Gaussian process kernels. Currently supports matern, rbf, compact1, periodicMatern, generalMatern, and rationalQuadratic kernels. Can also return m_phi and other additional quantities useful for ODE inference.

Usage

```
calCov(
  phi,
  rInput,
  signrInput,
  bandsize = NULL,
  complexity = 3,
  kerneltype = "matern",
  df,
  noiseInjection = 1e-07
)
```

Arguments

phi	the kernel hyper-parameters. See details for hyper-parameter specification for each kerneltype.
rInput	the distance matrix between all time points s and t, i.e., ls - tl
signrInput	the sign matrix of the time differences, i.e., sign(s - t)
bandsize	size for band matrix approximation. See details.
complexity	integer value for the complexity of the kernel calculations desired: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0 includes C only • 1 additionally includes Cprime, Cdoubleprime, dCdphi • 2 or above additionally includes Ceigen1over, CeigenVec, Cinv, mphi, Kphi, Keigen1over, KeigenVec, Kinv, mphiLeftHalf, dCdphiCube See details for their definitions.
kerneltype	must be one of matern, rbf, compact1, periodicMatern, generalMatern, rationalQuadratic. See details for the kernel formulae.
df	degrees of freedom, for generalMatern and rationalQuadratic kernels only. Default is df=2.01 for generalMatern and df=0.01 for rationalQuadratic.

noiseInjection a small value added to the diagonal elements of C and Kphi for numerical stability

Details

The covariance formulae and the hyper-parameters phi for the supported kernels are as follows. Stationary kernels have $C(s, t) = C(r)$ where $r = |s - t|$ is the distance between the two time points. Generally, the hyper-parameter phi[1] controls the overall variance level while phi[2] controls the bandwidth.

matern This is the simplified Matern covariance with df = 5/2:

$$C(r) = \text{phi}[1] * (1 + \sqrt{5}r/\text{phi}[2] + 5r^2/(3\text{phi}[2]^2)) * \exp(-\sqrt{5}r/\text{phi}[2])$$

rbf

$$C(r) = \text{phi}[1] * \exp(-r^2/(2\text{phi}[2]^2))$$

compact1

$$C(r) = \text{phi}[1] * \max(1 - r/\text{phi}[2], 0)^4 * (4r/\text{phi}[2] + 1)$$

periodicMatern Define $r' = |\sin(r\pi/\text{phi}[3]) * 2|$. Then the covariance is given by $C(r')$ using the Matern formula.

generalMatern

$$C(r) = \text{phi}[1]*2^{(1-df)}/\Gamma(df)*(\sqrt{(2.0*df)*r/\text{phi}[2]})^d f*besselK(\sqrt{(2.0*df)*r/\text{phi}[2]}, df)$$

where besselK is the modified Bessel function of the second kind.

rationalQuadratic

$$C(r) = \text{phi}[1] * (1 + r^2/(2df\text{phi}[2]^2))^{(-df)}$$

The kernel calculations available and their definitions are as follows:

C The covariance matrix corresponding to the distance matrix rInput.

Cprime The cross-covariance matrix $dC(s, t)/ds$.

Cdoubleprime The cross-covariance matrix $d^2C(s, t)/dsdt$.

CDphi A list with the matrices $dC/dphi$ for each element of phi.

Ceigen1over The reciprocals of the eigenvalues of C.

CeigenVec Matrix of eigenvectors of C.

Cinv The inverse of C.

mphi The matrix Cprime * Cinv.

Kphi The matrix Cdoubleprime -Cprime * Kinv * t(Cprime).

Keigen1over The reciprocals of the eigenvalues of Kphi.

Kinv The inverse of Kphi.

mphiLeftHalf The matrix Cprime * CeigenVec.

CDphiCube $dC/dphi$ as a 3-D array, with the third dimension corresponding to the elements of phi.

If bandsize is a positive integer, additionally CinvBand, mphiBand, and KinvBand are provided in the return list, which are band matrix approximations to Cinv, mphi, and Kinv with the specified bandsize.

Value

A list containing the kernel calculations included by the value of complexity.

Examples

```
foo <- outer(0:40, t(0:40), '-')[,1,]
r <- abs(foo)
signr <- -sign(foo)
calCov(c(0.2, 2), r, signr, bandsize=20, kerneltype="generalMatern", df=2.01)
```

gpsmoothing*Gaussian process smoothing***Description**

Estimate hyper-parameters phi and noise standard deviation sigma for a vector of observations using Gaussian process smoothing.

Usage

```
gpsmoothing(yobs, tvec, kerneltype = "generalMatern", sigma = NULL)
```

Arguments

<code>yobs</code>	vector of observations
<code>tvec</code>	vector of time points corresponding to observations
<code>kerneltype</code>	the covariance kernel, types <code>matern</code> , <code>compact1</code> , <code>periodicMatern</code> , <code>generalMatern</code> are supported. See <code>calCov</code> for their definitions.
<code>sigma</code>	the noise level (if known). By default, both phi and sigma are estimated. If a value for sigma is supplied, then sigma is held fixed at the supplied value and only phi is estimated.

Value

A list containing the elements `phi` and `sigma` with their estimated values.

Examples

```
# Sample data and observation times
tvec <- seq(0, 20, by = 0.5)
y <- c(-1.16, -0.18, 1.57, 1.99, 1.95, 1.85, 1.49, 1.58, 1.47, 0.96,
0.75, 0.22, -1.34, -1.72, -2.11, -1.56, -1.51, -1.29, -1.22,
-0.36, 1.78, 2.36, 1.78, 1.8, 1.76, 1.4, 1.02, 1.28, 1.21, 0.04,
-1.35, -2.1, -1.9, -1.49, -1.55, -1.35, -0.98, -0.34, 1.9, 1.99, 1.84)

gpsmoothing(y, tvec)
```

gpsmoothllik

*Marginal log-likelihood for Gaussian process smoothing***Description**

Marginal log-likelihood and gradient as a function of GP hyper-parameters phi and observation noise standard deviation sigma. For use in Gaussian process smoothing where values of phi and sigma may be optimized.

Usage

```
gpsmoothllik(phisig, yobs, rInput, kerneltype = "generalMatern")
```

Arguments

phisig	vector containing GP hyper-parameters phi and observation noise SD sigma. See calCov for the definitions of the hyper-parameters.
yobs	vector of observations
rInput	distance matrix between all time points of yobs
kerneltype	the covariance kernel, types matern, rbf, compact1, periodicMatern, generalMatern are supported. See calCov for their definitions.

Value

A list with elements value and grad, which are the log-likelihood value and gradient with respect to phisig, respectively.

Examples

```
# Suppose phi[1] = 0.5, phi[2] = 3, sigma = 0.1
gpsmoothllik(c(0.5,3,0.1), rnorm(10), abs(outer(0:9, t(0:9),'-'))[,1,])
```

MagiPosterior

*MAGI posterior density***Description**

Computes the MAGI log-posterior value and gradient for an ODE model with the given inputs: the observations Y , the latent system trajectories X , the parameters θ , the noise standard deviations σ , and covariance kernels.

Usage

```
MagiPosterior(
  y,
  xlatent,
  theta,
  sigma,
  covAllDimInput,
  odeModel,
  priorTemperatureInput = 1,
  useBand = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

y	data matrix of observations
xlatent	matrix of system trajectory values
theta	vector of parameter values θ
sigma	vector of observation noise for each system component
covAllDimInput	list of covariance kernel objects for each system component. Covariance calculations may be carried out with calCov .
odeModel	list of ODE functions and inputs. See details.
priorTemperatureInput	vector of tempering factors for the GP prior, derivatives, and observations, in that order. Controls the influence of the GP prior relative to the likelihood. Recommended values: the total number of observations divided by the total number of discretization points for the GP prior and derivatives, and 1 for the observations.
useBand	logical: should the band matrix approximation be used? If TRUE, covAllDimInput must include CinvBand, mphiBand, and KinvBand as computed by calCov .

Value

A list with elements value for the value of the log-posterior density and grad for its gradient.

Examples

```
# Trajectories from the Fitzhugh-Nagumo equations
tvec <- seq(0,20,2)
Vtrue <- c(-1, 1.91, 1.38, -1.32, -1.5, 1.73, 1.66, 0.89, -1.82, -0.93, 1.89)
Rtrue <- c(1, 0.33, -0.62, -0.82, 0.5, 0.94, -0.22, -0.9, -0.08, 0.95, 0.3)

# Noisy observations
Vobs <- Vtrue + rnorm(length(tvec), sd = 0.05)
Robs <- Rtrue + rnorm(length(tvec), sd = 0.1)

# Prepare distance matrix for covariance kernel calculation
foo <- outer(tvec, t(tvec), '-')
r <- abs(foo)
```

```

r2 <- r^2
signr <- -sign(foo)

# Choose some hyperparameter values to illustrate
rphi=c(0.95, 3.27)
vphi=c(1.98, 1.12)
phiTest <- cbind(vphi, rphi)

# Covariance computations
curCovV <- calCov(phiTest[,1], r, signr, kerneltype = "generalMatern")
curCovR <- calCov(phiTest[,2], r, signr, kerneltype = "generalMatern")

# Y and X inputs to MagiPosterior
yInput <- data.matrix(cbind(Vobs, Robs))
xlatentTest <- data.matrix(cbind(Vtrue, Rtrue))

# ODE system for Fitzhugh-Nagumo equations
fmmodelODE <- function(theta,x,t) {
  V <- x[,1]
  R <- x[,2]

  result <- array(0, c(nrow(x),ncol(x)))
  result[,1] = theta[3] * (V - V^3 / 3.0 + R)
  result[,2] = -1.0/theta[3] * ( V - theta[1] + theta[2] * R)

  result
}

# Gradient with respect to system components
fmmodelDx <- function(theta,x,t) {
  resultDx <- array(0, c(nrow(x), ncol(x), ncol(x)))
  V = x[,1]

  resultDx[,1,1] = theta[3] * (1 - V^2)
  resultDx[,2,1] = theta[3]

  resultDx[,1,2] = (-1.0 / theta[3])
  resultDx[,2,2] = ( -1.0*theta[2]/theta[3] )

  resultDx
}

# Gradient with respect to parameters theta
fmmodelDtheta <- function(theta,x,t) {
  resultDtheta <- array(0, c(nrow(x), length(theta), ncol(x)))

  V = x[,1]
  R = x[,2]

  resultDtheta[,3,1] = V - V^3 / 3.0 + R

  resultDtheta[,1,2] = 1.0 / theta[3]
  resultDtheta[,2,2] = -R / theta[3]
}

```

```

resultDtheta[,3,2] = 1.0/(theta[3]^2) * ( V - theta[1] + theta[2] * R)

resultDtheta
}

# Create odeModel list
fnmodel <- list(
  f0de=fnmodelODE,
  f0deDx=fnmodelDx,
  f0deDtheta=fnmodelDtheta,
  thetaLowerBound=c(0,0,0),
  thetaUpperBound=c(Inf,Inf,Inf)
)

MagiPosterior(yInput, xlatentTest, theta = c(0.2, 0.2, 3), sigma = c(0.05, 0.1),
  list(curCovV, curCovR), fnmodel)

```

Description

Core function of the MAGI method for inferring the parameters and trajectories of dynamic systems governed by ordinary differential equations. See vignette for detailed usage examples.

Usage

```
MagiSolver(y, odeModel, tvec, control = list())
```

Arguments

y	data matrix of observations
odeModel	list of ODE functions and inputs. See details.
tvec	vector of discretization time points corresponding to rows of y. If missing, MagiSolver will use the column named ‘time’ in y.
control	list of control variables, which may include ‘sigma’, ‘phi’, ‘xInit’, ‘thetaInit’, ‘mu’, ‘dotmu’, ‘priorTemperature’, ‘niterHmc’, ‘burninRatio’, ‘nstepsHmc’, ‘stepSizeFactor’, ‘bandSize’, ‘useFixedSigma’. See details.

Details

The data matrix y has a column for each system component, and optionally a column ‘time’ with the discretization time points. If the column ‘time’ is not provided in y, a vector of time points must be provided via the tvec argument. The rows of y correspond to the discretization set I at which the GP is constrained to the derivatives of the ODE system. To set the desired discretization level for

inference, use `setDiscretization` to prepare the data matrix for input into MagiSolver. Missing observations are indicated with NA or NaN.

The list `odeModel` is used for specification of the ODE system and its parameters. It must include five elements:

`fOde` function that computes the ODEs, specified with the form `f(theta, x, t)`. See examples.

`fOdeDx` function that computes the gradients of the ODEs with respect to the system components.

See examples.

`fOdeDtheta` function that computes the gradients of the ODEs with respect to the parameters θ .

See examples.

`thetaLowerBound` a vector indicating the lower bounds of each parameter in θ .

`thetaUpperBound` a vector indicating the upper bounds of each parameter in θ .

Additional control variables can be supplied to MagiSolver via the optional list `control`, which may include the following:

`sigma` a vector of noise levels (observation noise standard deviations) σ for each component, at which to initialize MCMC sampling. By default, MagiSolver computes starting values for `sigma` via Gaussian process (GP) smoothing. If the noise levels are known, specify `sigma` together with `useFixedSigma = TRUE`.

`phi` a matrix of GP hyper-parameters for each component, with two rows for `phi[1]` and `phi[2]` and a column for each system component. By default, MagiSolver estimates `phi` via an optimization routine.

`theta` a vector of starting values for the parameters θ , at which to initialize MCMC sampling. By default, MagiSolver uses an optimization routine to obtain starting values.

`xInit` a matrix of values for the system trajectories of the same dimension as `y`, at which to initialize MCMC sampling. Default is linear interpolation between the observed (non-missing) values of `y` and an optimization routine for entirely unobserved components of `y`.

`mu` a matrix of values for the mean function of the GP prior, of the same dimension as `y`. Default is a zero mean function.

`dotmu` a matrix of values for the derivatives of the GP prior mean function, of the same dimension as `y`. Default is zero.

`priorTemperature` the tempering factor by which to divide the contribution of the GP prior, to control the influence of the GP prior relative to the likelihood. Default is the total number of observations divided by the total number of discretization points.

`niterHmc` MCMC sampling from the posterior is carried out via Hamiltonian Monte Carlo (HMC). `niterHmc` specifies the number of HMC iterations to run. Default is 20000 HMC iterations.

`nstepsHmc` the number of leapfrog steps per HMC iteration. Default is 200.

`burninRatio` the proportion of HMC iterations to be discarded as burn-in. Default is 0.5, which discards the first half of the MCMC samples.

`stepSizeFactor` initial leapfrog step size factor for HMC. Default is 0.01, and the leapfrog step size is automatically tuned during burn-in to achieve an acceptance rate between 60-90%.

`bandSize` a band matrix approximation is used to speed up matrix operations, with default band size 20. Can be increased if MagiSolver returns an error indicating numerical instability.

`useFixedSigma` logical, set to TRUE if `sigma` is known. If `useFixedSigma=TRUE`, the known values of σ must be supplied via the `sigma` control variable.

Value

MagiSolver returns a list with the following elements:

- `theta` matrix of MCMC samples for the system parameters θ , after burn-in.
- `xsampled` array of MCMC samples for the system trajectories at each discretization time point, after burn-in.
- `sigma` matrix of MCMC samples for the observation noise SDs σ , after burn-in.
- `phi` matrix of estimated GP hyper-parameters, one column for each system component.
- `lp` vector of log-posterior values at each MCMC iteration, after burn-in.

References

Shihao Yang, Samuel WK Wong, SC Kou (2021). Inference of dynamic systems from noisy and sparse data via manifold-constrained Gaussian processes. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 118 (15), e2020397118.

Examples

```
# Setting up the Fitzhugh-Nagumo system equations, see vignette for details
# ODE system
fnmodelODE <- function(theta,x,t) {
  V <- x[,1]
  R <- x[,2]

  result <- array(0, c(nrow(x),ncol(x)))
  result[,1] = theta[3] * (V - V^3 / 3.0 + R)
  result[,2] = -1.0/theta[3] * ( V - theta[1] + theta[2] * R)

  result
}

# Gradient with respect to system components
fnmodelDx <- function(theta,x,t) {
  resultDx <- array(0, c(nrow(x), ncol(x), ncol(x)))
  V = x[,1]

  resultDx[,1,1] = theta[3] * (1 - V^2)
  resultDx[,2,1] = theta[3]

  resultDx[,1,2] = (-1.0 / theta[3])
  resultDx[,2,2] = ( -1.0*theta[2]/theta[3] )

  resultDx
}

# Gradient with respect to parameters theta
fnmodelDtheta <- function(theta,x,t) {
  resultDtheta <- array(0, c(nrow(x), length(theta), ncol(x)))

  V = x[,1]
```

```

R = x[,2]

resultDtheta[,3,1] = V - V^3 / 3.0 + R

resultDtheta[,1,2] = 1.0 / theta[3]
resultDtheta[,2,2] = -R / theta[3]
resultDtheta[,3,2] = 1.0/(theta[3]^2) * ( V - theta[1] + theta[2] * R)

resultDtheta
}

# Create odeModel list
fnmodel <- list(
  fOde=fnmodelODE,
  fOdeDx=fnmodelDx,
  fOdeDtheta=fnmodelDtheta,
  thetaLowerBound=c(0,0,0),
  thetaUpperBound=c(Inf,Inf,Inf)
)

# Example noisy data observed from the FN system
tvec <- seq(0, 20, by = 0.5)
V <- c(-1.16, -0.18, 1.57, 1.99, 1.95, 1.85, 1.49, 1.58, 1.47, 0.96,
0.75, 0.22, -1.34, -1.72, -2.11, -1.56, -1.51, -1.29, -1.22,
-0.36, 1.78, 2.36, 1.78, 1.8, 1.76, 1.4, 1.02, 1.28, 1.21, 0.04,
-1.35, -2.1, -1.9, -1.49, -1.55, -1.35, -0.98, -0.34, 1.9, 1.99, 1.84)
R <- c(0.94, 1.22, 0.89, 0.13, 0.4, 0.04, -0.21, -0.65, -0.31, -0.65,
-0.72, -1.26, -0.56, -0.44, -0.63, 0.21, 1.07, 0.57, 0.85, 1.04,
0.92, 0.47, 0.27, 0.16, -0.41, -0.6, -0.58, -0.54, -0.59, -1.15,
-1.23, -0.37, -0.06, 0.16, 0.43, 0.73, 0.7, 1.37, 1.1, 0.85, 0.23)

# Set discretization for a total of 161 time points
yobs <- data.frame(time=tvec, V=V, R=R)
yinput <- setDiscretization(yobs, level=2)

# Call MagiSolver
# short sampler run for demo only, more iterations needed for convergence
MagiSolver(yinput, fnmodel, control = list(nstepsHmc=5, niterHmc = 402))

# full run with 20000 HMC iterations
result <- MagiSolver(yinput, fnmodel, control = list(nstepsHmc=100))

```

setDiscretization *Set discretization level*

Description

Set the discretization level of a data matrix for input to [MagiSolver](#), by inserting time points where the GP is constrained to the derivatives of the ODE system.

Usage

```
setDiscretization(dat, level, by)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|-------|---|
| dat | data matrix. Must include a column with name ‘time’. |
| level | discretization level (a positive integer). $2^{\text{level}} - 1$ equally-spaced points will be inserted between existing data points in dat. |
| by | discretization interval. As an alternative to level, equally-spaced spaced time points will be inserted with interval by between successive points. |

Details

Specify the desired discretization using level or by.

Value

Returns a data matrix with the same columns as dat, with rows added for the inserted discretization time points.

Examples

```
dat <- data.frame(time = 0:10, x = rnorm(11))
setDiscretization(dat, level = 2)
setDiscretization(dat, by = 0.2)
```

<code>testDynamicalModel</code>	<i>Test dynamic system model specification</i>
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Description

Given functions for the ODE and its gradients (with respect to the system components and parameters), verify the correctness of the gradients using numerical differentiation.

Usage

```
testDynamicalModel(modelODE, modelDx, modelDtheta, modelName, x, theta, tvec)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|-------------|--|
| modelODE | function that computes the ODEs, specified with the form $f(\theta, x, t)$. See examples. |
| modelDx | function that computes the gradients of the ODEs with respect to the system components. See examples. |
| modelDtheta | function that computes the gradients of the ODEs with respect to the parameters θ . See examples. |

modelName	string giving a name for the model
x	data matrix of system values, one column for each component, at which to test the gradients
theta	vector of parameter values for θ , at which to test the gradients
tvec	vector of time points corresponding to the rows of x

Details

Calls [test_that](#) to test equality of the analytic and numeric gradients.

Value

A list with elements `testDx` and `testDtheta`, each with value `TRUE` if the corresponding gradient check passed and `FALSE` if not.

Examples

```
# ODE system for Fitzhugh-Nagumo equations
fnmodelODE <- function(theta,x,t) {
  V <- x[,1]
  R <- x[,2]

  result <- array(0, c(nrow(x),ncol(x)))
  result[,1] = theta[3] * (V - V^3 / 3.0 + R)
  result[,2] = -1.0/theta[3] * ( V - theta[1] + theta[2] * R)

  result
}

# Gradient with respect to system components
fnmodelDx <- function(theta,x,t) {
  resultDx <- array(0, c(nrow(x), ncol(x), ncol(x)))
  V = x[,1]

  resultDx[,1,1] = theta[3] * (1 - V^2)
  resultDx[,2,1] = theta[3]

  resultDx[,1,2] = (-1.0 / theta[3])
  resultDx[,2,2] = ( -1.0*theta[2]/theta[3] )

  resultDx
}

# Gradient with respect to parameters theta
fnmodelDtheta <- function(theta,x,t) {
  resultDtheta <- array(0, c(nrow(x), length(theta), ncol(x)))

  V = x[,1]
  R = x[,2]

  resultDtheta[,3,1] = V - V^3 / 3.0 + R
```

```

resultDtheta[,1,2] = 1.0 / theta[3]
resultDtheta[,2,2] = -R / theta[3]
resultDtheta[,3,2] = 1.0/(theta[3]^2) * ( V - theta[1] + theta[2] * R)

resultDtheta
}

# Example incorrect gradient with respect to parameters theta
fnmodelDthetaWrong <- function(theta,x,t) {
  resultDtheta <- array(0, c(nrow(x), length(theta), ncol(x)))

  V = x[,1]
  R = x[,2]

  resultDtheta[,3,1] = V - V^3 / 3.0 - R

  resultDtheta[,1,2] = 1.0 / theta[3]
  resultDtheta[,2,2] = -R / theta[3]
  resultDtheta[,3,2] = 1.0/(theta[3]^2) * ( V - theta[1] + theta[2] * R)

  resultDtheta
}

# Sample data for testing gradient correctness
tvec <- seq(0, 20, by = 0.5)
V <- c(-1.16, -0.18, 1.57, 1.99, 1.95, 1.85, 1.49, 1.58, 1.47, 0.96,
0.75, 0.22, -1.34, -1.72, -2.11, -1.56, -1.51, -1.29, -1.22,
-0.36, 1.78, 2.36, 1.78, 1.8, 1.76, 1.4, 1.02, 1.28, 1.21, 0.04,
-1.35, -2.1, -1.9, -1.49, -1.55, -1.35, -0.98, -0.34, 1.9, 1.99, 1.84)
R <- c(0.94, 1.22, 0.89, 0.13, 0.4, 0.04, -0.21, -0.65, -0.31, -0.65,
-0.72, -1.26, -0.56, -0.44, -0.63, 0.21, 1.07, 0.57, 0.85, 1.04,
0.92, 0.47, 0.27, 0.16, -0.41, -0.6, -0.58, -0.54, -0.59, -1.15,
-1.23, -0.37, -0.06, 0.16, 0.43, 0.73, 0.7, 1.37, 1.1, 0.85, 0.23)

# Correct gradients
testDynamicalModel(fnmodelODE, fnmodelDx, fnmodelDtheta,
  "FN equations", cbind(V,R), c(.5, .6, 2), tvec)

# Incorrect theta gradient (test fails)
testDynamicalModel(fnmodelODE, fnmodelDx, fnmodelDthetaWrong,
  "FN equations", cbind(V,R), c(.5, .6, 2), tvec)

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