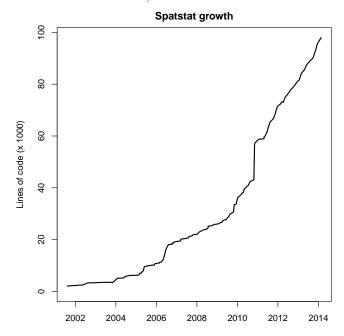
Summary of recent updates to spatstat

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This is a summary of changes that have been made to the spatstat package since 2010, when the last set of workshop notes [1] was published. Those notes covered spatstat version 1.21-2.

The current version of spatstat is 1.36-0. Spatstat has almost tripled in size since 2010, and now contains almost 100,000 lines of code.



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1 Overview

Following is an overview of the most important changes.

- spatstat and all its dependencies are now Free Open Source.
- polygon clipping is now performed by the Free Open Source library polyclip. The library gpclib is no longer used.
- spatstat now 'Imports' (rather than 'Depends' on) the libraries mgcv, deldir, abind, tensor, polyclip. This means that these libraries are not accessible to the user unless the user explicitly loads them by typing library(mgcv) and so on.
- polygon calculations are now enabled, always.
- geometrical errors in polygon data are now repaired automatically.
- Improvements to Gibbs models (ppm):
 - new 'logistic likelihood' method;
 - variance-covariance matrix;
 - print method shows standard errors and CI for coefficients;
 - new interactions (Triplets, Concom);
 - hybrids of interactions;
 - self-starting feature of interactions;
 - better control over dummy points;
 - improved quadrature schemes (removing a source of bias);
 - spatial covariate functions can depend on additional parameters;
 - extract interaction from a fitted model;
 - check whether model is valid;
 - project to a valid model;
 - calculate *intensity* of fitted model;
 - calculate K-function and pair correlation function of fitted model;
 - confidence intervals using confint;
 - improvements/extensions to rmh;
 - exact simulation for many models;
 - predict conditional intensity for another point pattern
- Diagnostics for Gibbs models: Leverage, influence, partial residuals, score residuals, residual summary functions (Kcom, Kres, Gcom, Gres, psstA, psstA, psstG, compareFit)
- Improvements to cluster/Cox models (kppm):
 - Guan's second order composite likelihood;
 - new cluster types Cauchy, VarGamma;
 - log-Gaussian Cox processes;
 - fitted intensity;

- variance-covariance of trend parameters;
- generic support e.g. coef, model.matrix;
- conversion e.g. as.fv
- extract K function (Kmodel, pcfmodel);
- more control over trend (more arguments passed to ppm);
- confidence intervals using confint
- Support for point patterns on a linear network, including geometrically-corrected linear K function, pair correlation function, point process models, envelopes, tests.
- Support for replicated point patterns: An object of class mppm represents a point process model fitted to several point patterns. The patterns may be treated as independent replicate observations of the same model, or as the responses from different units in a designed experiment. Methods for this class include plot, print, summary, fitted, predict, simulate, ...
- Nonparametric/summary statistics e.g.
 - rhohat (nonparametric estimate of intensity as function of covariate)
 - idw (inverse distance weighted smoothing)
 - convolve.im (image convolution)
 - k-th nearest neighbours (nndist, nncross, nnwhich)
 - more methods for intensity.
- Statistical tools e.g.
 - several algorithms for bandwidth selection (bw.*)
 - bootstrap confidence intervals for summary functions (lohboot)
 - pooling operations (pool.*)
- Changes to ppx format: An object of class ppx may now include 'local' coordinates as well as 'spatial' and 'temporal' coordinates, and marks.
- Improvements to plots :
 - colour maps,
 - collision avoidance in plot.fv
 - plot.im(log=TRUE)
 - plot.listof(equal.ribbon=TRUE)
 - improved labels in plot.fv
 - Switch all plots from colour to greyscale by setting spatstat.options(monochrome=TRUE)
- simulation:
 - rmh interface restructured
 - rmh can save transition history
 - visual debugger for rmh
 - exact simulation for many models

- envelopes: Extended functionality; Envelopes can be pooled and transformed.
- Many, many, many bug fixes.
- Substantially increased performance.
- data in spatstat are now lazy-loaded, so you don't have to type data(amacrine), etc.
- user interrupt: Long calculations in spatstat now respond to the Interrupt/Stop signal.
- vignettes: New vignettes 'Getting Started with the Spatstat Package', 'Analysing Replicated Point Patterns in Spatstat' and 'Summary of Recent Changes to Spatstat'
- demonstrations: New demonstration demo(sumfun) shows the nonparametric summary functions in spatstat.

2 New classes

Important new classes of objects are listed here.

- linnet: An object of class 'linnet' represents a linear network, i.e. a connected network of line segments, such as a road network. Methods for this class include plot, print, summary etc.
- lpp: An object of class 'lpp' represents a point pattern on a linear network, such as a record of the locations of road accidents on a road network. Methods for this class include plot, print, summary etc.
- lppm: An object of class 'lppm' represents a point process model fitted to a point pattern on a linear network. Methods for this class include plot, print, summary, fitted, predict, simulate, ...
- linim: Pixel image on a linear network.
- linfun Function defined on a linear network (e.g. a distance function)
- mppm: An object of class 'mppm' represents a point process model fitted to several point pattern datasets. The patterns may be treated as independent replicate observations of the same model, or as the responses from different units in a designed experiment. Methods for this class include plot, print, summary, fitted, predict, simulate, ...
- rhohat: Nonparametric estimate of intensity as function of covariate (result of 'rhohat'). Can be used as an R function. Methods include predict
- layered : A simple mechanism for controlling plots that consist of several successive layers of data.
- timed: A simple mechanism for recording the computation time taken.
- rat: 'Ratio objects' (suitable for pooling)
- objsurf: An object of class 'objsurf' contains values of the likelihood or objective function in a neighbourhood of the maximum.
- simplepanel: An object of class 'simplepanel' represents a spatial arrangement of buttons that respond to mouse clicks, supporting a simple, robust graphical interface.

3 New datasets

The following datasets have been added to the package.

- pyramidal: Diggle-Lange-Benes data on pyramidal neurons in cingulate cortex. 31 point patterns divided into 3 groups.
- waterstriders: Nummelin-Penttinen waterstriders data. Three independent replicates of a point pattern formed by insects.
- simba: Simulated data
- demohyper: Simulated data example for mppm. Point patterns and pixel image covariates, in two groups with different regression coefficients.
- clmfires: Forest fires in Castilla-La Mancha
- gordon: People sitting on the grass in Gordon Square, London
- hyytiala: Mixed forest in Hyytiala, Finland (marked by species)
- paracou: Kimboto trees in Paracou, French Guiana (marked as adult/juvenile)
- waka: Trees in Waka national park (marked with diameters)
- mucosa: Cells in gastric mucosa
- gorillas: Gorilla nest sites in a National Park in Cameroon.
- chicago: Street crimes in the University district of Chicago. A point pattern on a linear network.
- flu: Spatial point patterns giving the locations of influenza virus proteins on cell membranes. Kindly released by Dr George Leser and Dr Robert Lamb.
- simplenet: Simple example of a linear network

4 New Functions

Following is a list of all the functions that have been added.

- reload.or.compute: Utility for use in R scripts. Either reload results from file, or compute them.
- im.apply: Apply a function to corresponding pixel values in several images.
- hexgrid, hextess: Create a hexagonal grid of points, or a tessellation of hexagonal tiles
- shift.tess, rotate.tess, reflect.tess, scalardilate.tess, affine.tess: Apply a geometrical transformation to a tessellation.
- quantile.ewcdf: Extract quantiles from a weighted cumulative distribution function.
- scanLRTS: Evaluate the spatially-varying test statistic for the scan test.
- intensity.splitppp: Estimate intensity in each component of a split point pattern.

- intensity.quadratcount: Use quadrat counts to estimate intensity in each quadrat.
- as.owin.quadratcount, as.owin.quadrattest: Extract the spatial window in which quadrat counts were performed.
- mppm: Fit a Gibbs model to several point patterns. The point pattern data may be organised as a designed experiment and the model may depend on covariates associated with the design.
- anova.mppm: Analysis of Deviance for models of class mppm
- coef.mppm: Extract fitted coefficients from a model of class mppm
- fitted.mppm: Fitted intensity or conditional intensity for a model of class mppm
- kstest.mppm: Kolmogorov-Smirnov test of goodness-of-fit for a model of class mppm
- logLik.mppm: log likelihood or log pseudolikelihood for a model of class mppm
- plot.mppm: Plot the fitted intensity or conditional intensity of a model of class mppm
- predict.mppm: Compute the fitted intensity or conditional intensity of a model of class mppm
- quadrat.test.mppm: Quadrat counting test of goodness-of-fit for a model of class mppm
- residuals.mppm: Point process residuals for a model of class mppm
- subfits: Extract point process models for each individual point pattern dataset, from a model of class mppm.
- vcov.mppm: Variance-covariance matrix for a model of class mppm
- integral.msr: Integral of a measure.
- objsurf: For a model fitted by optimising an objective function, this command computes the objective function in a neighbourhood of the optimal value.
- contour.objsurf, image.objsurf, persp.objsurf, plot.objsurf: Plot an 'objsurf' object.
- fvnames: Define groups of columns in a function value table, for use in plot.fv, etc
- multiplicity: New generic function for which multiplicity.ppp is a method.
- unique.ppx, duplicated.ppx, multiplicity.ppx: Methods for unique(), duplicated() and multiplicity() for 'ppx' objects. These also work for 'pp3' and lpp objects.
- closepairs, crosspairs, closepaircounts, crosspaircounts: Low-level functions for finding all close pairs of points
- nnfun.ppp, distfun.ppp: New argument k allows these functions to compute k-th nearest neighbours.
- nndensity: Estimate point process intensity using k-th nearest neighbour distances
- simplepanel, run.simplepanel: Support for a simple point-and-click interface for general use.
- as.lpp: Convert data to a point pattern on a linear network.
- distfun.lpp: Distance function for point pattern on a linear network.

- eval.linim: Evaluate expression involving pixel images on a linear network.
- linearKcross, linearKdot, linearKcross.inhom, linearKdot.inhom: Multitype K functions for point patterns on a linear network
- linearmarkconnect, linearmarkequal: Mark connection function and mark equality function for multitype point patterns on a linear network
- linearpcfcross, linearpcfdot, linearpcfcross.inhom, linearpcfdot.inhom: Multitype pair correlation functions for point patterns on a linear network
- linfun: New class of functions defined on a linear network
- nndist.lpp, nnwhich.lpp, nncross.lpp: Methods for nndist, nnwhich, nncross for point patterns on a linear network
- nnfun.lpp: Method for nnfun for point patterns on a linear network
- vcov.lppm: Variance-covariance matrix for parameter estimates of a fitted point process model on a linear network.
- bilinearform Computes a bilinear form
- tilenames, tilenames<-: Extract or change the names of tiles in a tessellation.
- bw.ppl: Likelihood cross-validation technique for bandwidth selection in kernel smoothing.
- is.lppm, is.kppm, is.slrm: Tests whether an object is of class 'lppm', 'kppm' or 'slrm'
- Smooth: New generic function for spatial smoothing.
- Smooth.ppp, Smooth.fv, Smooth.msr: Methods for Smooth (identical to smooth.ppp, smooth.fv, smooth.msr respectively)
- fitted.kppm: Method for fitted for cluster/Cox models
- nncross.pp3: Method for nncross for point patterns in 3D
- nnmark: Mark of nearest neighbour can be used for interpolation
- dclf.progress, mad.progress: Progress plots (envelope representations) for the DCLF and MAD tests.
- deriv.fv: Numerical differentiation for fv objects.
- interp.colourmap: Smooth interpolation of colour map objects makes it easy to build colour maps with gradual changes in colour
- tweak.colourmap Change individual colour values in a colour map object
- beachcolourmap: Colour scheme appropriate for 'altitudes' (signed numerical values)
- as.fv: Convert various kinds of data to an 'fv' object
- quadscheme.logi: Generates quadrature schemes for the logistic method of ppm.
- beginner Introduction for beginners.

- nnmap: Given a point pattern, finds the k-th nearest point in the pattern from each pixel in a raster.
- coef.fii, coef.summary.fii: Extract the interaction coefficients of a fitted interpoint interaction
- edges2vees: Low-level function for finding triples in a graph.
- affine.lpp, shift.lpp, rotate.lpp, rescale.lpp, scalardilate.lpp: Geometrical transformations for point patterns on a linear network
- affine.linnet, shift.linnet, rotate.linnet, rescale.linnet, scalardilate.linnet: Geometrical transformations for linear networks
- [.linnet Subset operator for linear networks
- timed: Records the computation time taken
- connected.ppp: Find clumps in a point pattern.
- kstest.lpp, kstest.lppm: The spatial Kolmogorov-Smirnov test can now be applied to point patterns on a linear network (class lpp) and point processes on a linear network (class lppm).
- bermantest.lpp, bermantest.lppm: Berman's Z1 and Z2 tests can now be applied to point patterns on a linear network (class lpp) and point processes on a linear network (class lppm).
- rhohat.lpp, rhohat.lppm: Nonparametric estimation of the dependence of a point pattern on a spatial covariate: rhohat now applies to objects of class lpp and lppm.
- intensity.lpp: Empirical intensity of a point pattern on a linear network.
- as.function.rhohat: Converts a rhohat object to a function, with extrapolation beyond the endpoints.
- [.layered: Subset operator for layered objects.
- shift, rotate, affine, rescale, reflect, flipxy, scalardilate: These geometrical transformations now work for layered objects.
- iplot.layered: Interactive plotting for layered objects.
- as.owin.layered: Method for as.owin for layered objects.
- [.owin: Subset operator for windows, equivalent to intersect.owin.
- rcellnumber: Generates random integers for the Baddeley-Silverman counterexample.
- is.lpp: Tests whether an object is a point pattern on a linear network.
- is.stationary.lppm, is.poisson.lppm: New methods for is.stationary and is.poisson for class lppm
- sessionLibs: Print library names and version numbers (for use in Sweave scripts)
- round.ppp: Round the spatial coordinates of a point pattern to a specified number of decimal places.

- rounding: Determine whether a dataset has been rounded.
- Hybrid: The hybrid of several point process interactions [Joint research with Jorge Mateu and Andrew Bevan]
- is.hybrid: Recognise a hybrid interaction or hybrid point process model.
- Finhom, Ginhom, Jinhom Inhomogeneous versions of the F, G and J functions
- delaunay.distance: Graph distance in the Delaunay triangulation.
- distcdf: Cumulative distribution function of the distance between two independent random points in a given window.
- bw.frac: Bandwidth selection based on window geometry
- shortside.owin, sidelengths.owin: Side lengths of (enclosing rectangle of) a window
- clusterset: Allard-Fraley estimator of high-density features in a point pattern
- pool.quadrattest: Pool several quadrat tests
- nnfun: Nearest-neighbour map of a point pattern or a line segment pattern
- as.ppm: Converts various kinds of objects to ppm.
- crossdist.lpp: Shortest-path distances between pairs of points in a linear network
- nobs.lppm: Method for nobs for lppm objects.
- as.linim: Converts various kinds of objects to linim.
- model.images.slrm: Method for model.images for slrm objects
- rotate.im: Rotate a pixel image
- parres: Partial residual plots for spatial point process models. A diagnostic for the form of a covariate effect.
- addvar: Added variable plots for spatial point process models. A diagnostic for the existence of a covariate effect.
- intensity, intensity.ppp, intensity.ppm Calculate the intensity of a dataset or fitted model. Includes new approximation to the intensity of a fitted Gibbs model
- LambertW: Lambert's W-function
- exactMPLEstrauss: Fits the stationary Strauss point process model using an exact maximum pseudolikelihood technique. This is mainly intended for technical investigation of algorithms.
- split.ppx: Method for split for multidimensional point patterns (class ppx). This also works for point patterns on a linear network (class lpp).
- model.images: This function is now generic, with methods for classes ppm, kppm, lppm
- model.frame, model.matrix: These generic functions now have methods for classes kppm, lppm
- as.owin.kppm, as.owin.lppm: New methods for 'as.owin' for objects of class kppm, lppm

- as.linnet.lppm: Extracts the linear network in which a point process model was fitted.
- dclf.test: Perform the Diggle (1986)/ Cressie (1991)/ Loosmore and Ford (2006) test of CSR (or another model)
- mad.test: Perform the Maximum Absolute Deviation test of CSR (or another model).
- convolve.im: Compute convolution of pixel images.
- Kmulti.inhom: Counterpart of Kmulti for spatially-varying intensity.
- rmhexpand: Specify a simulation window, or a rule for expanding the simulation window, in Metropolis-Hastings simulation (rmh)
- transect.im: Extract pixel values along a line transect.
- affine.im: Apply an affine transformation to a pixel image.
- scalardilate: Perform scalar dilation of a geometrical object relative to a specified origin.
- reflect: Reflect a geometrical object through the origin.
- [.lpp, [.ppx: Subset operators for the classes lpp (point pattern on linear network) and ppx (multidimensional space-time point pattern).
- is.rectangle, is.polygonal, is.mask: Determine whether a window w is a rectangle, a domain with polygonal boundaries, or a binary pixel mask.
- has.offset: Determines whether a fitted model object (of any kind) has an offset.
- lohboot: Computes bootstrap confidence bands for pair correlation function and K function using Loh's (2008) mark bootstrap.
- rho2hat: Bivariate extension of rhohat for estimating spatial residual risk, or intensity as a function of two covariates.
- rStraussHard: Perfect simulation for Strauss-hardcore process (with $\gamma \leq 1$)
- simulate.slrm: Method for simulate for spatial logistic regression models.
- labels.ppm, labels.kppm, labels.slrm: Methods for labels for fitted point process models.
- commonGrid: Determine a common spatial domain and pixel resolution for several pixel images and/or binary masks
- as.matrix.owin: Converts a window to a logical matrix.
- rDiggleGratton, rDGS, rHardcore: Perfect simulation for the Diggle-Gratton process, Diggle-Gates-Stibbard process, and Hardcore process.
- bw.scott: Scott's rule of thumb for bandwidth selection in multidimensional smoothing
- valid.ppm: Checks whether a fitted point process model is a valid point process
- project.ppm: Forces a fitted point process model to be a valid point process
- leverage.ppm, influence.ppm, dfbetas.ppm: Leverage and influence for point process models

- ippm: Experimental extension to 'ppm' which fits irregular parameters in trend by Fisher scoring algorithm.
- Tstat: Third order summary statistic for point patterns based on counting triangles.
- rCauchy, rVarGamma: simulation of a Neyman-Scott process with Cauchy clusters or Variance Gamma (Bessel) clusters. Contributed by Abdollah Jalilian.
- rPoissonCluster: simulation of a general Poisson cluster process
- model.covariates: Identify the covariates involved in a model (lm, glm, ppm etc)
- as.im.distfun: Converts a 'distfun' to a pixel image.
- cauchy.estK, cauchy.estpcf, vargamma.estK, vargamma.estpcf: Low-level model-fitting functions for the Neyman-Scott process with Cauchy or Variance-Gamma cluster kernel. Contributed by Abdollah Jalilian.
- Triplets: Geyer's triplet interaction, for point process models
- coef.summary.ppm: You can now type coef(summary(fit)) to extract a table of the fitted coefficients of the point process model fit
- scan.test: Spatial scan test of clustering
- rat: New class of 'ratio objects'
- pool.rat: New method for pool. Combines K function estimates for replicated point patterns (etc) by computing ratio-of-sums
- unnormdensity: Weighted kernel density with weights that do not sum to 1 and may be negative.
- compatible: New generic function with methods for fv, im, fasp and units.
- imcov: Spatial covariance function of pixel image or spatial cross-covariance function of two pixel images
- harmonise.im: Make several pixel images compatible by converting them to the same pixel grid
- contour.listof, image.listof: Methods for contour() and image() for lists of objects
- dummify: Convert data to numeric values by constructing dummy variables.
- pool: Pool data from several objects of the same class
- pool.envelope Pool simulated data from several envelope objects and create a new envelope
- pool.fasp: Pool simulated data from several function arrays and create a new array
- envelope: envelope: Recalculate an envelope from simulated data using different parameters
- bw.diggle: Bandwidth selection for density.ppp by mean square error cross-validation.
- bw.smoothppp: Bandwidth selection for smooth.ppp by least-squares cross-validation.
- layered, plot.layered: A simple mechanism for controlling plots that consist of several successive layers of data.

- model.depends: Given a fitted model (of any kind), identify which of the covariates is involved in each term of the model.
- model.is.additive: Determine whether a fitted model (of any kind) is additive, in the sense that each term in the model involves at most one covariate.
- sumouter, quadform: Evaluate certain quadratic forms.
- flipxy: Exchange x and y coordinates.
- idw: Inverse-distance weighted smoothing.
- localKinhom, localLinhom, localpcfinhom: Inhomogeneous versions of localK, localL, localpcf:
- envelope.lpp: Simulation envelopes for point patterns on a linear network
- lineardisc: Compute the 'disc' of radius r in a linear network
- linearpcf: Pair correlation for point pattern on a linear network
- linearKinhom, linearpcfinhom: Inhomogeneous versions of the K function and pair correlation function for point patterns on a linear network
- lppm: Fit point process models on a linear network.
- anova.lppm: Analysis of deviance for point process models on a linear network.
- predict.lppm: Prediction for point process models on a linear network.
- envelope.lppm: Simulation envelopes for point process models on a linear network.
- linim: Pixel image on a linear network
- plot.linim: Plot a pixel image on a linear network
- Gcom, Gres, Kcom, Kres: New diagnostics for fitted Gibbs or Poisson point process models based on score residuals. Gcom is the compensator of the G function; Gres is the residual of the G function; Kcom is the compensator of the K function; Kres is the residual of the K function.
- psst, psstA, psstG: New diagnostics for fitted Gibbs or Poisson point process models based on pseudoscore residuals. psst is the pseudoscore diagnostic for a general alternative; psstA is the pseudoscore diagnostic for an Area-interaction alternative; psstG is the pseudoscore diagnostic for a Geyer saturation alternative.
- compareFit: Computes and compares several point process models fitted to the same dataset, using a chosen diagnostic.
- as.interact: Extracts the interpoint interaction structure (without parameters) from a fitted point process model or similar object.
- is.stationary, is.poisson: New generic functions for testing whether a point process model is stationary and/or Poisson. Methods for ppm, kppm, slrm etc.
- raster.xy: raster coordinates of a pixel mask
- zapsmall.im: 'zapsmall' for pixel images

- linearK: Computes the Okabe-Yamada network K-function for a point pattern on a linear network.
- pairdist.lpp: Shortest-path distances between each pair of points on a linear network.
- vcov.kppm: Asymptotic variance-covariance matrix for regression parameters in kppm object. [Contributed by Abdollah Jalilian and Rasmus Waagepetersen]
- rlgcp: Simulation of log-Gaussian Cox processes [Contributed by Abdollah Jalilian and Rasmus Waagepetersen]
- predict.rhohat: Method for predict for objects of class rhohat. Computes a pixel image of the predicted intensity.
- Kmodel, pcfmodel: Generic functions that compute the K-function or pair correlation function of a point process *model*. There are methods for kppm and ppm.
- as.function.fv Converts a function value table (class fv) to a function in R
- coef.kppm: Method for coef for objects of class kppm
- unitname, unitname<-: These generic functions now have methods for fitted model objects (classes ppm, slrm, kppm, minconfit) and quadrature schemes (quad).
- nobs.ppm: Method for nobs for class ppm. Returns the number of points in the original data.
- rgbim, hsvim: Specify three colour channels. These functions convert three pixel images with numeric values into a single image whose pixel values are strings representing colours.
- scaletointerval: Generic utility function to rescale data (including spatial data) to a specified interval
- runiflpp: Uniformly distributed random points on a linear network
- rpoislpp: Poisson point process on a linear network
- clickjoin: Interactive graphics to create a linear network
- superimpose: The function 'superimpose' is now generic, with methods for ppp, psp and a default method.
- as.ppp.psp: New method for as.ppp extracts the endpoints and marks from a line segment pattern
- runiflpp: Uniformly distributed random points on a linear network
- rpoislpp: Poisson point process on a linear network
- clickjoin: Interactive graphics to create a linear network
- superimpose: The function superimpose is now generic, with methods for ppp, psp and a default method.
- nsegments: Number of segments in a line segment pattern
- clarkevans.test Classical Clark-Evans test of randomness

- msr New class msr of signed measures and vector-valued measures supporting residual analysis.
- quadrat.test.quadratcount: Method for quadrat.test for objects of class quadratcount (allows a χ^2 test to be performed on quadrat counts rather than recomputing from the original data)
- tile.areas: Computes areas of tiles in a tessellation (efficiently)

5 Precis of all changes

Here is the text from the 'overview' sections of the News and Release Notes for each update.

- Likelihood cross-validation for smoothing bandwidth.
- Faster computations for pairwise interaction models.
- More flexible models of intensity in cluster/Cox processes.
- New generic function for smoothing.
- Substantial acceleration of many functions
- New 'logistic likelihood' method for fitting Gibbs models.
- Nearest neighbours for point patterns in 3D
- Nearest-neighbour interpolation in 2D
- New 'progress plots'
- Hard core thresholds can be estimated automatically.
- More support for colour maps
- More support for 'fv' objects
- More support for pooling of envelopes.
- More functionality for nearest neighbours
- More support for 'layered' objects.
- Find clumps in a point pattern.
- Connected component interaction model.
- Improvements to interactive plots.
- Visual debugger for Metropolis-Hastings algorithm.
- Rounding of spatial coordinates
- The spatstat manual now exceeds 1000 pages.
- Hybrids of Gibbs point process models.
- Second order composite likelihood method for kppm.

- Inhomogeneous F, G and J functions.
- Delaunay graph distance
- Pixel images can now be displayed with a logarithmic colour map.
- random sequential packing
- Allard-Fraley estimator
- method for pooling several quadrat tests
- better control over dummy points in ppm
- nearest neighbour map
- changes to subsetting of images
- New code for Partial Residual Plots and Added Variable Plots.
- maximum profile pseudolikelihood computations vastly accelerated.
- now possible to capture every k-th state of Metropolis-Hastings algorithm.
- scope of 'intensity.ppm' extended.
- quadrat.test can now perform Monte Carlo tests and one/two-sided tests
- improvements to 'plot.fv'
- improvement to 'rescale'
- some datasets reorganised/corrected.
- New approximation to the intensity of a fitted Gibbs model.
- Improvements to 3D summary functions.
- A multidimensional point pattern (ppx) can now have 'local' coordinates as well as spatial and temporal coordinates and marks.
- More support for fitted cluster models (kppm).
- split method for multidimensional point patterns (ppx) and point patterns on a linear network (lpp).
- Variance estimates are now available for all Gibbs point process models.
- Cressie-Loosmore-Ford test implemented
- plot.fv now avoids collisions between the legend and the graphics.
- Extension to predict.ppm
- Improvements to envelopes and multitype summary functions.
- Line transects of a pixel image.
- Changes to defaults in Metropolis-Hastings simulations.

- More geometrical operations
- Variance-covariance matrix for Gibbs point process models.
- Bootstrap confidence bands for pair correlation function and K function.
- Nearest neighbour distance computations accelerated.
- Improved support for fitted point process models.
- Improved mechanism for handling 'invalid' point processes
- New functions for perfect simulation
- Code for ensuring a fitted point process model is a valid point process
- Leverage and influence for point process models
- New cluster models (support for model-fitting and simulation).
- Fit irregular parameters in trend of point process model
- Third order summary statistic.
- Geyer's triplet interaction
- more functionality for replicated point patterns
- changed default for simulation window in point process simulation
- changed default for edge correction in Kcom, Gcom
- data in spatstat is now lazy-loaded
- Spatial Scan Test
- Functionality for replicated point patterns
- Spatial covariance functions of windows and pixel images.
- Area-interaction models can now be fitted in non-rectangular windows
- New vignette on 'Getting Started with Spatstat'
- Functions to pool data from several objects of the same class.
- Bandwidth selection for density.ppp and smooth.ppp
- Layered plots.
- Model-handling facilities.
- Inverse-distance weighted smoothing.
- Inhomogeneous versions of neighbourhood density functions.
- changes to renormalisation of estimates in Kinhom and pcfinhom
- new diagnostics based on score residuals

- Fitting and simulation of log-Gaussian Cox processes with any covariance function
- More support for 'kppm' and 'rhohat' objects
- Metropolis-Hastings algorithm now saves its transition history
- Easier control of dummy points in ppm
- Convert an 'fv' object to an R function
- marked line segment patterns can now be plotted
- multitype point process models are now 'self-starting'
- new functions to manipulate colour images
- superimpose is now generic
- improved mathematical labels when plotting functions
- A line segment pattern can now have a data frame of marks.
- Increased numerical stability.
- New 'self-starting' feature of interpoint interactions.
- Point process model covariates may now depend on additional parameters.
- New class of signed measures, for residual analysis.
- Spatstat now has version nicknames.
- Improved quadrature schemes in ppm
- More methods for intensity
- Counterpart of apply for lists of images.
- Hexagonal grids and tessellations.
- Extensions to scan test and Allard-Fraley cluster set estimator
- Extensions and improvements to plotting functions.
- Improvements to labelling of fv objects.
- Geometrical errors in polygons are now repaired automatically.
- Switch all plots from colour to greyscale using a single command.
- Change parameters of fitted model before simulating it.

6 Alphabetical list of changes

Here is a list of all changes made to existing functions, listed alphabetically.

- adaptive.density: Now has argument 'verbose'
- affine: Argument vec can be in various formats.
- as.function.fv: Now allows multiple columns to be interpolated.
- alltypes Now works for lpp objects
- ants: The function ants.extra\$plot() has been renamed plotit() for conformity with other datasets. The auxiliary data ants.extra now includes a function called side determining whether a given location is in the scrub or field region. Can be used as a covariate in ppm, kppm, slrm.
- applynbd The arguments N, R and criterion may now be specified together.
- areaGain, areaLoss These now handle arbitrary windows W. They are now more accurate when r is very small.
- AreaInter Point process models with the AreaInter interaction can now be fitted to point pattern data in any window.
- as.box3: Now accepts objects of class ppx or boxx.
- as.fv: Now handles objects of class kppm or minconfit.
- as.mask: Argument eps can now be a 2-vector, specifying x and y resolutions.
- as.owin.ppm, as.owin.kppm: New argument from allows the user to extract the spatial window of the point data (from="points") or the covariate images (from="covariates")
- betacells: This dataset has been restructured. The vector of cell profile areas, formerly given by betacells.extra\$area, has now been included as a column of marks in the point pattern betacells.
- bw.relrisk: Computation in large datasets accelerated. New arguments hmin, hmax control the range of trial values of bandwidth.
- clusterset: The argument result has been renamed what. It is now possible to give multiple values to what so that both types of result can be computed together.
- colourmap: The argument col can now be any kind of colour data
- connected: connected is now generic, with methods for im, owin and ppp.
- crossdist.ppp, crossdist.pp3, crossdist.default: New argument squared allows the squared distances to be computed (saving computation time in some applications)
- crossing.psp: New argument fatal allows the user to handle empty intersections
- dclf.test, mad.test: The argument X can now be an object produced by a previous call to dclf.test or mad.test.

- default.rmhcontrol, default.expand: These functions now work with models of class rmhmodel as well as ppm.
- density.ppp:
 - The argument weights can now be a matrix or an expression.
 - Numerical underflow no longer occurs when sigma is very small and at="points". A warning is no longer issued.
 - New argument diggle allows choice of edge correction.
 - New argument adjust makes it easy to adjust the smoothing bandwidth.
- disc: Argument centre can be in various formats.
- distcdf: Arguments W and V can now be point patterns.
- distfun: The internal format of objects of class distfun has been changed.
- duplicated.ppp, unique.ppp New argument rule allows behaviour to be consistent with package deldir.
- effectfun: Now has argument se.fit allowing calculation of standard errors and confidence intervals.
- envelope: All methods for envelope now handle fun=NULL. New argument envir.simul determines the environment in which to evaluate the expression simulate.
- envelope.lpp: Now handles multitype point patterns.
- envelope.envelope: New argument transform allows the user to apply a transformation to previously-computed summary functions.
- envelope.envelope: In envelope(E, fun=NULL) if E does not contain simulated summary functions, but does contain simulated point patterns, then fun now defaults to Kest, instead of flagging an error.
- envelope: Can now calculate an estimate of the true significance level of the "wrong" test (which declares the observed summary function to be significant if it lies outside the pointwise critical boundary anywhere). Controlled by new argument do.pwrong.
- envelope: Improved plot labels for envelopes that were generated using the transform argument.
- erosion, dilation, opening, closing: If the original set is a polygon, the result is a polygon.
- eval.fv, eval.fasp: Improved behaviour when plotted. Evaluation is now applied only to columns that contain values of the function itself (rather than values of the derivative, hazard rate, etc). This is controlled by the new argument dotonly.
- eval.im: Images with incompatible dimensions are now resampled to make them compatible (if harmonize=TRUE). When the argument envir is used, eval.im now recognises functions as well as variables in envir
- exactMPLEstrauss: New argument project determines whether the parameter gamma is constrained to lie in [0,1].

- expand.owin: Functionality extended to handle all types of expansion rule.
- F3est: Calculation of theoretical Poisson curve (theo) has changed, and is now controlled by the argument sphere.
- fitted.ppm, predict.ppm: Argument new.coef specifies a vector of parameter values to replace the fitted coefficients of the model.
- fryplot: Now has arguments to and from, allowing selection of a subset of points.
- fryplot, frypoints: These functions now handle marked point patterns properly.
- Hardcore, StraussHard: The hard core distance hc can now be omitted; it will be estimated from data.
- im, as.im: The pixel coordinates in an image object are now generated more accurately. This avoids a numerical error in plot.im.
- image.listof: New argument equal.ribbon allows several images to be plotted with the same colour map. If equal.ribbon=TRUE, the colour ribbon will no longer be displayed repeatedly for each panel, but will now be plotted only once, at the right hand side of the plot array.
- inside.owin: Now accepts the form list(x,y) for the first argument.
- intensity.ppp: Now has argument weights.
- intensity.ppm: Now works for stationary point process models with the interactions Diggle-Gratton, DiggleGatesStibbard, Fiksel, PairPiece and Softcore.
- intersect.owin, union.owin, setminus.owin: If A and B are polygons, the result is a polygon.
- intersect.tess, dirichlet: The tiles of the resulting tessellation are polygons if the input was polygonal.
- iplot: iplot is now generic, with methods for ppp, layered and default. iplot methods now support zoom and pan navigation.

• Kest:

- Now includes fast algorithm for correction="none" which will handle patterns containing millions of points.
- New option: correction = "good" selects the best edge correction that can be computed in reasonable time.
- Options correction='border' and correction='none' now run about 4 times faster, thanks to Julian Gilbey.
- New argument ratio determines whether the numerator and denominator of the estimate of the K-function will be stored. This enables analysis of replicated point patterns, using pool.rat to pool the K function estimates.
- Kcross, Kdot, Kmulti: New argument ratio determines whether the numerator and denominator of the estimate of the multitype K-function will be stored. This enables analysis of replicated point patterns, using pool.rat to pool the K function estimates.
- Kinhom

- New argument normpower allows different types of renormalisation.
- Now accepts correction="good".
- Kmulti, Gmulti, Jmulti: The arguments I, J can now be any kind of subset index or can be functions that yield a subset index.
- Kcom, Gcom: New argument conditional gives more explicit control over choice of edge correction in compensator. Simplified defaults for edge correction.
- Kscaled, Lscaled: Argument lambda can now be a fitted model object (class "ppm").

• kppm

- Now has the option of fitting models using Guan's (2006) second order composite likelihood.
- More flexible models of the intensity, and greater control over the intensity fitting procedure, are now possible using the arguments covfunargs, use.gam, nd, eps passed to ppm.
- Also the argument X may now be a quadrature scheme.
- Error messages from the optimising function optim are now trapped and handled.
- Confidence intervals for the fitted trend parameters can now be obtained using confint
- Now accepts clusters="Cauchy" or clusters="VarGamma" for the Neyman-Scott process with Cauchy or Variance-Gamma cluster kernel.
- Can now fit a log-Gaussian Cox process with any covariance function implemented by the RandomFields package.
- latest.news: The text is now displayed one page at a time. Can now be executed by typing the name of the function without parentheses.
- layered, layerplotargs, plot.layered: The plotting argument can now be a list of length 1, which will be replicated to the correct length.
- Lest: Now handles theoretical variance estimates (using delta method) if var.approx=TRUE
- LennardJones Increased numerical stability. New (optional) scaling argument sigma0. Interpoint distances are automatically rescaled using 'self-starting' feature.
- lgcp.estK, Kmodel: Computation can be greatly accelerated by setting spatstat.options(fastK.lgcp=TRUE).
- logLik.ppm: New argument new.coef allows the user to evaluate the likelihood for a different value of the parameter.
- lohboot: When the result is plotted, the confidence limits are now shaded. New argument global allows global (simultaneous) confidence bands instead of pointwise confidence intervals.
- 1ppm: New arguments eps and nd control the quadrature scheme. Stepwise model selection using step now works for lppm objects.
- markstat: The arguments N and R may now be specified together.
- marks.ppp, marks<-.ppp: New argument drop determines whether a data frame of marks with only one column will be converted to a vector.
- model.depends: Now also recognises 'offset' terms.

- MultiStrauss, MultiHard, MultiStraussHard: The argument types can now be omitted or NULL; it will be inferred from the point pattern data.
- nbfires: For conformity with other datasets, there is now an object nbfires.extra.
- nnclean: Extra arguments are now passed to hist.default. The result now has attributes which give the fitted parameter values, information about the fitting procedure, and the histogram bar heights.
- nncross: This function is now generic, with methods for ppp and default. nncross.ppp can now find the k-th nearest neighbours, for any k. New arguments added to control the return value and the sorting of data.
- nndist, nnwhich: New argument by makes it possible to find nearest neighbours belonging to specified subsets in a point pattern, for example, the nearest neighbour of each type in a multitype point pattern.
- nncorr, nnmean, nnvario These functions now handle data frames of marks.
- pairwise interaction Gibbs models: Many calculations for these models have been accelerated.
- owin: Polygon data are no longer subjected to strict checks on their geometrical validity (self-intersections, overlaps, etc). Instead, geometrical inconsistencies in polygon data are automatically repaired.
- pcf.ppp: New argument domain allows the computation to be restricted to a subset of the window.
- pcf.ppp, pcfinhom: New argument divisor enables better performance of the estimator of pair correlation function for distances close to zero.
- pcfcross, pcfdot: Algorithms have been reimplemented using a single-pass kernel smoother and now run much faster. Bandwidth selection rule improved.
- pcfinhom: Now performs renormalisation of estimate. Default behaviour changed estimates are now renormalised by default.
- persp.im: The colmap argument can now be a colourmap object
- pixel images and grids: The default size of a pixel grid, given by spatstat.options("npixel"), has been changed from 100 to 128. A power of 2 gives faster and more accurate results in many cases.
- plot.fasp, plot.fv, plot.im, plot.ppp, plot.owin, plot.im: Can be switched from colour to greyscale by setting spatstat.options(monochrome=TRUE).
- plot.colourmap: Now passes arguments to axis to control the plot. Appearance of plot improved.
- plot.envelope: If the upper envelope is NA but the lower envelope is finite, the upper limit is now treated as +Infinity
- plot.hyperframe: The argument e now has a different format. Instead of plot(h, plot(XYZ)) one must now type plot(h, quote(plot(XYZ))) This is necessary in order to avoid problems with 'S4 method dispatch'

- plot.fasp: New argument samey controls whether all panels have the same y limits. Changed default value of samex.
- plot.fii: Increased resolution of the plot obtained from plot(fitin(ppm(...)))
- plot.fv:
 - Improved collision-avoidance algorithm (for avoiding overlaps between curves and legend).
 - Labelling of plots has been improved in some cases.
 - New argument log allows plotting on logarithmic axes.
 - The formula can now include the symbols .x and .y as abbreviation for the function argument and the recommended function value, respectively.
 - New argument add
 - Argument legendmath now defaults to TRUE.
 - New argument legendargs gives more control over appearance of legend.
 - Increased default spacing between lines in legend.
 - Improved handling of argument shade.
- plot.fv, plot.envelope: New argument limitsonly allows calculation of a common x,y scale for several plots.
- plot.im:
 - Now handles many arguments recognised by plot.default such as cex.main. Also handles argument box.
 - New argument ribargs contains parameters controlling the ribbon plot only.
 - Now returns the colour map used.
 - Argument col can now be a function.
 - New argument log allows colour map to be equally spaced on a log scale.
 - The colour ribbon can now be placed left, right, top or bottom using new argument ribside.
 - Can now plot images whose pixel values are strings representing colours. New argument valuesAreColours
 - New arguments add and do.plot.
 - More arguments recognised by ribargs
- plot.kstest: Can now perform P-P and Q-Q plots as well.
- plot.layered: New arguments add, main. Better argument handling.
- plot.listof, plot.splitppp, contour.listof, image.listof:
 - Default behaviour has changed: panels are now plotted on different scales.
 - When equal.scales=TRUE the panels are plotted on exactly equal scales and are exactly aligned (under certain conditions).
 - The arguments panel.begin and panel.end can now be objects such as windows.
- plot.owin: Polygons with holes can now be plotted with filled colours on any device.

• plot.ppp:

- Now behaves differently if there are multiple columns of marks. Each column of marks is
 plotted, in a series of separate plots arranged side-by-side.
- An 'empty' plot can now be generated by setting type="n".
- New arguments show.window and show.all
- plot.psp: Now handles marked line segment patterns and plots the marks as colours.
- plot.scan.test, as.im.scan.test: These functions can now give the optimal value of circle radius r.
- plot.tess: For a tessellation represented by a pixel image, plot.tess no longer treats the pixel labels as palette colours.
- plot.ppp, plot.owin, plot.im, plot.psp, plot.tess, plot.layered: New universal argument show.all determines what happens when a plot is added to an existing plot. If show.all = TRUE then everything is plotted, including the main title and colour ribbon.
- plot.quadratcount, plot.quadrattest: These functions have now been documented.
- print.fv: improved layout.
- pool.envelope: New arguments savefuns and savepatterns. Envelopes generated with VARI-ANCE=TRUE can now be pooled. The plot settings of the input data are now respected.

• ppm:

- Can now fit models with 'hybrid' interactions.
- New option: method = "logi" for the 'logistic likelihood' method.
- New argument **nd** controls the number of dummy points.
- New argument eps determines the spacing between dummy points. (also works for related functions quadscheme, default.dummy, ...)
- The default quadrature scheme for a point pattern has been improved (in the case of a non-rectangular window) to remove a possible source of bias.
- Confidence intervals for the fitted trend parameters can now be obtained using confint.
- New argument project determines whether the fitted model is forced to be a valid point process.
- Interaction objects may now be 'self-starting' i.e. initial parameter estimates can be computed from the point pattern dataset.
- The spatial trend can now depend on additional parameters. This is done by allowing spatial covariate functions to have additional parameters: function(x, y, ...) where ... is controlled by the new argument covfunargs to ppm.
- The print and summary methods for ppm objects now show standard errors for parameter estimates if the model is Poisson.

• ppp: New argument drop determines whether a data frame of marks with only one column will be converted to a vector.

- ppx: Arguments have changed. An object of class ppx may now include 'local' coordinates as well as 'spatial' and 'temporal' coordinates, and marks.
- predict.ppm: This function can now calculate the conditional intensity of a model relative to any point pattern X (not just the original data pattern). New argument correction allows choice of edge correction when calculating the conditional intensity.
- predict.slrm: New argument window
- print.ppp, summary.ppp: If the point pattern x was generated by Metropolis-Hastings simulation using rmh, then print(x) and summary(x) show information about the simulation parameters.
- print.ppm: Standard errors for the parameter estimates, and confidence intervals for the parameters, can now be printed for all Gibbs models (but are printed only for Poisson models by default). Now has argument what to allow only selected information to be printed.
- print.summary.ppm: Output gives a more precise description of the fitting method.
- profilepl: Accelerated (typically by a factor of 5). Does not generate warnings when some of the candidate models have zero likelihood for example when fitting model with a hard core. Can now maximise over trend parameters as well as interaction parameters
- progressreport: Improved output (also affects many functions which print progress reports)
- project.ppm: Improved algorithm. Now handles terms in the trend formula as well as the interaction. The projected point process is now obtained by re-fitting the model, and is guaranteed to be the maximum pseudolikelihood fit.
- psp: A line segment pattern (object of class 'psp') can now have a data frame of marks.
- psst: Argument funcorrection changed to funargs allowing greater flexibility.
- quad.ppm: Now accepts kppm objects. New argument clip.
- quadrat.test.splitppp: The result is now a single object of class quadrattest
- quadrat.test: Can now perform Monte Carlo test as well (for use in small samples where the χ^2 approximation is inaccurate) New argument alternative allows choice of alternative hypothesis and returns one-sided or two-sided p-values as appropriate. The print method for quadrattest objects now displays information about the quadrats.
- raster.x, raster.y, raster.xy: These functions have a new argument drop
- redwoodfull (Full redwood data): The function redwoodfull.extra\$plot() has been renamed plotit for conformity with other datasets, and improved.
- relrisk: New argument casecontrol determines whether a bivariate point pattern should be treated as case-control data. New argument case allows the user to specify which mark value corresponds to the cases in a case-control dataset.
- rescale: If scale argument s is missing, then the data are rescaled to native units. For example if the current unit is 0.1 metres, coordinates will be re-expressed in metres.

- residuals.ppm: New arguments new.coef and quad for advanced use (make it possible to compute residuals from a modified version of the fitted model.) The value returned by residuals.ppm is now an object of class msr. It can be plotted directly.
- rhohat: Now has arguments eps, dimyx to control pixel resolution. If covariate = "x" or "y", the resulting object has the same unitname as the original point pattern data. Estimation can now be performed using local likelihood fitting with the locfit package, or using kernel smoothing.
- rlabel: Now works for lpp, pp3, ppx objects.
- rmh: If track=TRUE, the history of transitions of the Metropolis-Hastings algorithm is saved and returned.
- rmh, rmhstart: The initial state ('start') can now be missing or null.
- rmh, rmhcontrol: It is now possible to save every k-th iteration of the Metropolis-Hastings algorithm. The arguments nsave and nburn may be given to rmh or to rmhcontrol. They specify that the point pattern will be saved every nsave iterations, after an initial burn-in of nburn iterations.
- rmh.default: New argument snoop allows the user to activate a visual debugger for the Metropolis-Hastings algorithm.
- rmh.default: track is no longer a formal argument of rmh.default; it is now a parameter of rmhcontrol. However there is no change in usage: the argument track can still be given to rmh.default.
- rmh.ppm, simulate.ppm, default.expand: For point process models which have a trend depending only on x and y, the simulation window is now taken to be the same as the original window containing the data (by default). That is, 'expansion' does not take place, by default. (In previous versions of spatstat the simulation window was larger than the original data window.)
- rmh.ppm, simulate.ppm: The argument sequence for these functions has changed. New argument expand allows more explicit control over simulation domain.
- rmh.ppm, simulate.ppm, rmhmodel.ppm: New argument new.coef allows the user to change the parameters of a fitted model before it is simulated.
- rmhcontrol: The default value of the parameters periodic and expand has changed.
- rmhcontrol: The parameter expand can now be in any format acceptable to rmhexpand.
- rmh.ppm, rmh.default, simulate.ppm: Any rmhcontrol parameter can now be given directly as an argument to rmh.ppm, rmh.default or simulate.ppm.
- rNeymanScott: Argument rcluster may now take a different format.
- rotate.owin, affine.owin: These functions now handle binary pixel masks. New argument rescue determines whether rectangles will be preserved.
- rssi: Performs 'Random Sequential Packing' if n=Inf.
- runifpointOnLines, rpoisppOnLines, runiflpp, rpoislpp: Can now generate multitype point patterns.

- rVarGamma, kppm, vargamma.estK, vargamma.estpcf: New argument nu.pcf provides an alternative way to specify the kernel shape in the VarGamma model, instead of the existing argument nu.ker. Function calls that use the ambiguous argument name nu will no longer be accepted.
- second order summary functions (Kest, Lest, Kinhom, pcf.ppp, Kdot, Kcross, Ldot etc etc)
 These functions now accept correction="translation" as an alternative to correction =
 "translate", for consistency.
- scan.test: Now handles multiple values of circle radius 'r'.
- setcov: Can now compute the 'cross-covariance' between two regions
- shift: Argument vec can be in various formats.
- simulate.ppm: New argument singlerun determines whether the simulated patterns are generated using independent runs of the Metropolis-Hastings algorithm or are obtained by performing one long run of the algorithm and saving every k-th iteration.
- simulate.ppm, simulate.kppm: The total computation time is also returned.
- simulate.kppm: Now catches errors (such as 'insufficient memory').
- slrm: Confidence intervals for the fitted trend parameters can now be obtained using confint
- smooth.fv: Further options added.
- smooth.ppp: Accelerated, when there are several columns of marks. Bandwidth sigma is now selected by least-squares cross-validation.
- smooth.ppp: Now handles bandwidths equal to zero (by invoking nnmark)
- smooth.ppp, smooth.fv, smooth.msr: These functions are now 'Deprecated' in favour of the methods Smooth.ppp, Smooth.fv, Smooth.msr respectively.
- Smooth.ppp: sigma is now a formal argument of Smooth.ppp
- Softcore: Improved numerical stability. New argument sigma0 for manual control over rescaling.
- spatstat.options:
 - New option nvoxel.
 - New option print.ppm.SE controls whether standard errors and confidence intervals are printed for all Gibbs models, for Poisson models only, or are never printed.
 - New option project.fast allows a faster shortcut for project.ppm.
 - New options rmh.p, rmh.q, rmh.nrep determine the default values of the parameters p, q and nrep of the Metropolis-Hastings algorithm. See rmhcontrol.
 - New parameter n.bandwidth
 - New parameter monochrome switches all plots from colour to greyscale.
- square Now accepts vectors of length 2.
- str This generic function (for inspecting the internal structure of an object) now produces sensible output for objects of class hyperframe, ppx, lpp.

- stratrand, overlap.owin, update.slrm, edge.Trans, edge.Ripley: These already-existing functions are now documented.
- summary.ppm: Now reports whether the spatial coordinates have been rounded. Improved behaviour when the model covariates are a data frame.
- superimposePSP: This function is now deprecated in favour of superimpose
- superimpose: Now handles data frames of marks.
- union.owin: It is now guaranteed that if A is a subset of B, then union.owin(A,B)=B. Now handles a single argument: union.owin(A) returns A.
- varblock: Ugly legends have been repaired.
- vcov.ppm: This function now handles all Gibbs point process models. New argument matrix.action controls what happens when the matrix is ill-conditioned.
- vcov.slrm: Can now calculate correlation matrix or Fisher information matrix as well as variance-covariance matrix.
- with.fv: Argument drop replaced by new argument fun (with different interpretation). New argument enclos allows evaluation in other environments.
- [.fv Now handles the argument 'drop'. Improved behaviour when plotted.
- [.im and [<-.im New argument 'j' allows any type of matrix indexing to be used.
- [.im Default behaviour changed in the case of a rectangular subset. New argument 'rescue' can be set to TRUE to reinstate previous behaviour.
- [.lpp Subset index may now be a window (class 'owin')
- [.msr Now handles character-valued indices.

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