

# Enviromental statistics homework

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## The mean squared error as a function of $\rho$

### Exercise:

obtain (and store)  $k = 1000$  simulation from Moran's I and APLE sampling distribution for "some" values of  $\rho$  ranging from 0 to 0.95 and obtain the plot of MSE vs rho

### Solution

Before the solution let's run some global objects and variables from previous lectures.

```
library(sf)
library(tmap)
library(spdep)
library(tidyverse)

#read the italian provinces map
map <- read_sf("map-folder/map.shp")

map_nblast <- poly2nb(map) #the adjacency matrix

wlist <- nb2listw(map_nblast, style = "B") #adjacency matrix in list form

wlist_til <- nb2listw(map_nblast, style = "W") #row-standardised adj. matrix in list form

n <- nrow(map)
w <- matrix(0, nrow = n, ncol = n)
for(k in 1:n){
  w[k, wlist$neighbours[[k]]] <- 1
}

w_til <- w/rowSums(w)
```

Well, firstly, let's generate a vector of  $\rho$ , where  $0 \leq \rho \leq 0.95$ . Let's pick 20 points to get a more smooth graph.

```
n_draw = 20
rho <- seq(from = 0, to = 0.95, length.out = n_draw)
```

Then I create two numeric vectors to store results of simulation.

```
mse_moran_sim <- numeric(n_draw)#vector of moran's I
mse_ape_sim <- numeric(n_draw)#vector of ape
```

Then make the simulation with  $K = 1000$

```
library(spatialreg)
library(mvtnorm)

k = 1000

for(j in 1:n_draw){

  In <- diag(n)

  sigma_sar <- solve(
    t(In - rho[j] * w_til) %*% (In - rho[j] * w_til)
  )

# simulate the moran's I and ape

  moran_sim <- numeric(k)
  ape_sim <- numeric(k)

  for(i in 1:k){
    Y <- c(mvtnorm::rmvnorm(1, sigma = sigma_sar) )
    Y <- Y - mean(Y)
    moran_sim[i] <- moran(Y, wlist_til, n = n, S0 = n)$I
    ape_sim[i] <- ape(Y, wlist_til)
  }

#store the result of simulation
  mse_moran_sim[j] <- mean((moran_sim - rho[j])^2)
  mse_ape_sim[j] <- mean((ape_sim - rho[j])^2)

}
```

## Final plot

Finally, let's draw the graph using ggplot to compare MSEs of Moran's I and APLE

