

Introduction to GeoDaSpace*



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1 Introduction

GeoDaSpace is a free software to estimate spatial regressions developed by the GeoDa Center for Geostatistical Analysis and Computation¹. The software provides a graphical user interface (GUI) to the spatial regression module of PySAL (spreg)² (Rey and Anselin 2007), an open source library for spatial analysis written in the object oriented language Python. The main estimation methods provided by GeoDaSpace are listed in Table 1. As shown in the table, GeoDaSpace is a tool for the estimation of models of Ordinary Least Squares (OLS), Two-Stage Least Squares (TSLS), GMM spatial lag, GMM spatial error and GMM spatial lag and error, including both the method proposed by Kelejian and Prucha (1998, 1999) (KP98/99) and Drukker et al. (2010) (KPD). All these estimation methods provide options for spatial and non-spatial diagnostics, non-spatial endogenous variables and the treatment of heteroskedasticity using HAC or White corrections, when applicable. In addition to these, GeoDaSpace offers a wide range of utilities to create and manipulate weights matrices, including contiguity, distance (bands, knn, inverse distance) and kernel.

Table 1 also shows the methods provided in GeoDaSpace that can be found in Stata and R. For this document we consider two different versions of the R package sphet. The first one, henceforth sphet1, is the released version of sphet (v. 1.1-12, published on CRAN on 2012-04-13). In addition to this version of sphet, we also use the alpha version from R-Forge, revision 56, published on 2012-07-22. This newer version of the code, which contains many additional methods and enhancements to sphet1, is henceforth referred as sphet2³.

The remainder of this document provides a basic introduction to the use of GeoDaSpace (Section 2). In addition to this, Section 3 presents a comparison of the estimation results using GeoDaSpace, Stata and R and explains the differences, when they occur.

¹For information on the GeoDa Center, please check <https://geodacenter.asu.edu>

²More information on PySAL can be found at <http://pysal.geodacenter.org/>

³Given that it is an alpha version, the code is subject to change.

Table 1: Methods provided by GeoDaSpace and their availability in Stata or R

Method	GeoDaSpace	Stata	R ¹	R ²
OLS	●	●	●	●
OLS with heteroskedasticity (White)	●	●	●	●
OLS with heteroskedasticity (HAC)	●		●	●
TSLS	●	●	●	●
TSLS with heteroskedasticity (White)	●	●	●	●
TSLS with heteroskedasticity (HAC)	●		●	●
Spatial lag	●	●	●	●
Spatial lag with het. (White)	●	●	●	●
Spatial lag with het. (HAC)	●		●	●
Spatial lag with endogenous var.	●	●		●
Spatial lag with endog. var. and het. (White)	●	●		●
Spatial lag with endog. var. and het. (HAC)	●			●
Spatial error (KP98/99)	●	●	●	●
Spatial error with endogenous var. (KP98/99)	●	●		
Spatial error and lag (KP98/99)	●	●	●	●
Spatial error and lag w/ endog. var. (KP98/99)	●	●		
Spatial error (KPD)	●	●		●
Spatial error with endogenous var. (KPD)	●	●		●
Spatial error and lag (KPD)	●	●		●
Spatial error and lag with endog. var. (KPD)	●	●		●
Spatial error with heteroskedasticity	●	●	●	●
Spatial error with endog. var. and het.	●	●		●
Spatial error and lag with het.	●	●	●	●
Spatial error and lag w/ endog. var. and het.	●	●		●

¹Considering the packages spdep and sphet (v. 1.1-12, published on CRAN on 2012-04-13).

²Considering the packages spdep and sphet (revision 56, published on R-Forge on 2012-07-22).

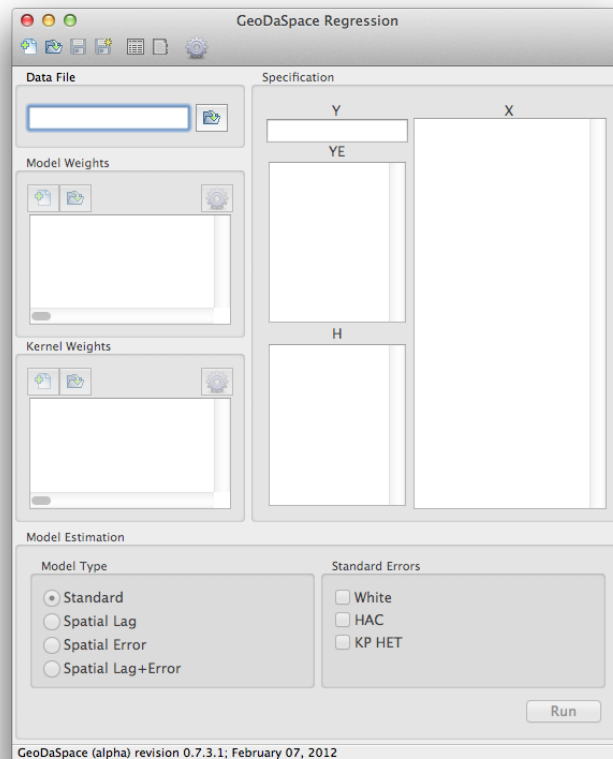
2 Using GeoDaSpace

2.1 Opening a data file and specifying a model

GeoDaSpace is a stand-alone software that provides a graphical user interface (GUI) to the spatial regression module of PySAL (spreg). It is available in Windows and Mac OSX versions. The executable file can be downloaded for free from GeoDaCenter's website: <https://geodacenter.asu.edu/software>.

The main GUI window is shown in Figure 1. It can be divided in four sections: the menu icons (top), data and weights utilities (left), model specification (right) and model estimation (bottom).

Figure 1: GeoDaSpace – Main window



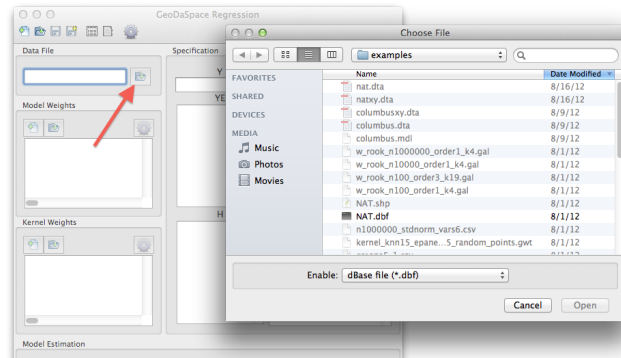
The menu icons on the top of the window, from left to right, are:

- Create new model

- Open existing model
- Save model
- Save model as...
- Open the variable list
- Show results window
- Show advanced settings

To start the specification of a new model, we need first to open the file containing the data. This can be done wither by clicking on the first menu icon ‘Create new model’ or by clicking on the open folder icon within the data file section, as shown in Figure 2.

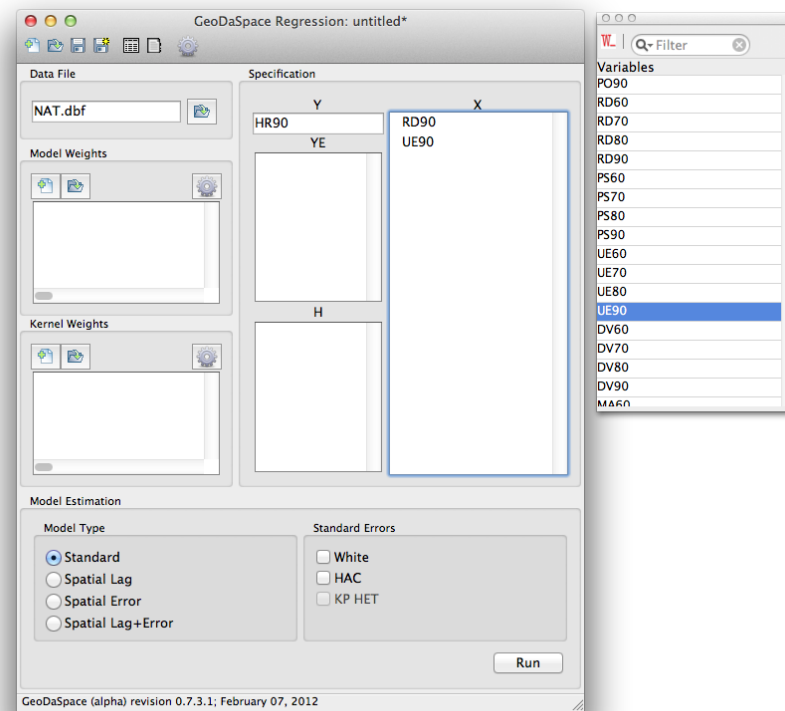
Figure 2: GeoDaSpace – Open data file



Currently, GeoDaSpace can open data files in DBF, CSV and TXT formats. For the examples in this document, we use the NAT.dbf file⁴. Once we open the data file, its variables are listed in a side window. This window can be retrieved at any time by clicking on the fifth menu icon ‘Open the variable list’. To specify the model, click and drag the variables name from the list to the respective boxes in the Specification section of the main window (Figure 3). The biggest box to the right, ‘X’ (required), must contain all independent variables of the model, or the right-hand side variables. The other boxes are ‘Y’ (required), for the dependent or left-hand side variable, ‘YE’ (optional), which should be used in case there are endogenous explanatory variables, and ‘H’ (optional), where the instruments for these endogenous explanatory variables should be specified.

⁴The data used in this document is available from PySAL’s example data sets. It can be downloaded at <http://code.google.com/p/pysal/source/browse/#svn%2Ftrunk%2Fpysal%2Fexamples>

Figure 3: GeoDaSpace – Model specification



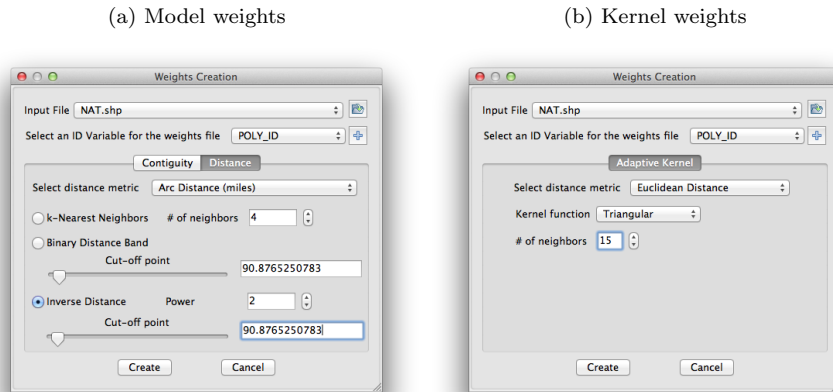
2.2 Weights creation

In the weights section, it is possible to create a new weights matrix or open an existing one. GeoDaSpace supports most of the common weights formats, including GAL, GWT and KWT (GeoDa weights), MAT (MatLab), TXT (Stata Text files), among others. To create a new weights matrix we need to select the respective shapefile (SHP)⁵ as ‘Input File’ (Figure 4). An ID variable for the weights matrix can either be selected from the database or added to it by clicking on the ‘plus’ sign. GeoDaSpace can create standard model weights or kernel weights, each type with their respective boxes in the Weights section of the main window. Within standard model weights, GeoDaSpace can create contiguity weights matrices of the Queen and Rook types, for any given order of contiguity, according to the spatial structure of the shapefile. Distance weights are also available (Figure 4a). Euclidean and Arc distances can be used as distance metrics. The types of distance weights available are: k-nearest neighbors, binary

⁵NAT.shp is available from PySAL’s example data sets. It can be downloaded at <http://code.google.com/p/pysal/source/browse/#svn%2Ftrunk%2Fpysal%2Fexamples>

distance band and inverse distance. For the last two it is possible to select the cut-off point and, in the case of inverse distance, the power. If, for example, we want to create distance weights based on the inverse of the quadratic distance, all we have to do is choose ‘Distance’ when creating a new weights matrix, then check the ‘Inverse Distance’ bullet and set the power to 2 (Figure 4a). The cut-off points establish the maximum distance between neighbors. If the metric is ‘Arc distance (miles)’ and the cut-off is 100, no spatial unit farther than 100 miles from each other will be considered neighbors. The default cut-off point is calculated to ensure that all spatial units have at least 1 neighbor, thus preventing the creation of units with no neighbors, i.e. islands.

Figure 4: GeoDaSpace – Weights creation

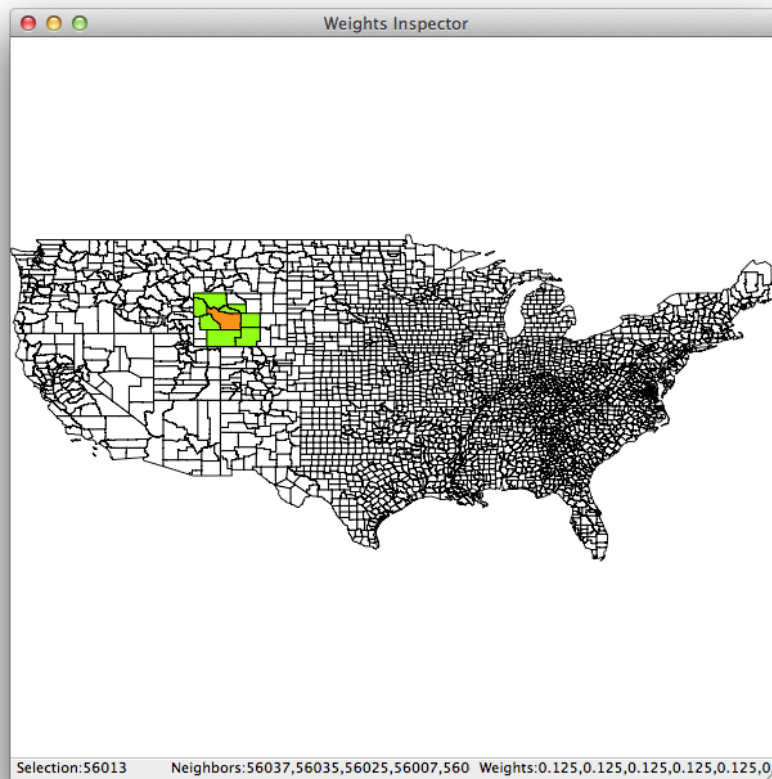


In addition to standard model weights, kernel weights can also be created (Figure 4b). In GeoDaSpace, these are mainly used for the estimation of HAC models. Once again, Euclidean and Arc distances can be used as distance metrics. Currently, five Kernel functions are available: Uniform, Triangular, Epanechnikov, Quartic and Gaussian. It is also possible to specify the number of neighbors of each spatial unit.

The gear icon on the weights section opens a window showing the properties of the selected weights matrix. In this window, it is possible to transform the weights matrix into binary, row-standardized (each row summing 1), double-standardized (all row summing 1) and variance stabilized. The properties also include a list of the spatial units that have no neighbors, i.e. the islands, a list of the neighbors of any selected unit, the number of neighbors of each unit, i.e. the cardinalities, the unit’s IDs and a histogram of units according to number of neighbors. As an experimental feature, it is also possible to launch an interactive viewer displaying the neighborhood structure. Within the viewer, we can pass the mouse arrow over any spatial unit of the shapefile and its neighbors are instantly highlighted. Also, their IDs are listed along with their weights (Figure

5).

Figure 5: GeoDaSpace – Weights viewer



2.3 Model estimation

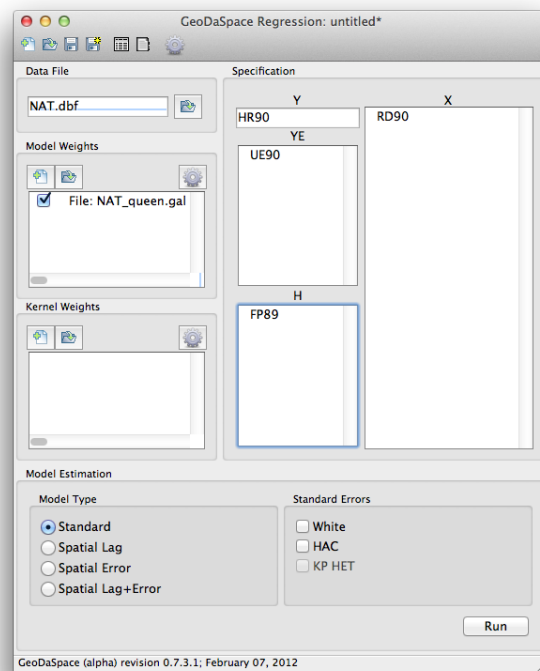
The estimation methods available in GeoDaSpace can be selected from the ‘Model Estimation’ section of the main window. There are four main model types: i) standard, ii) spatial lag, iii) spatial error and iv) spatial lag and error.

Standard

- Ordinary least squares (OLS)
- OLS with heteroskedasticity – White

- OLS with heteroskedasticity – HAC
- Two-stage least squares (TSLS)
- TSLS with heteroskedasticity – White
- TSLS with heteroskedasticity – HAC

Figure 6: Estimation of a TSLS model



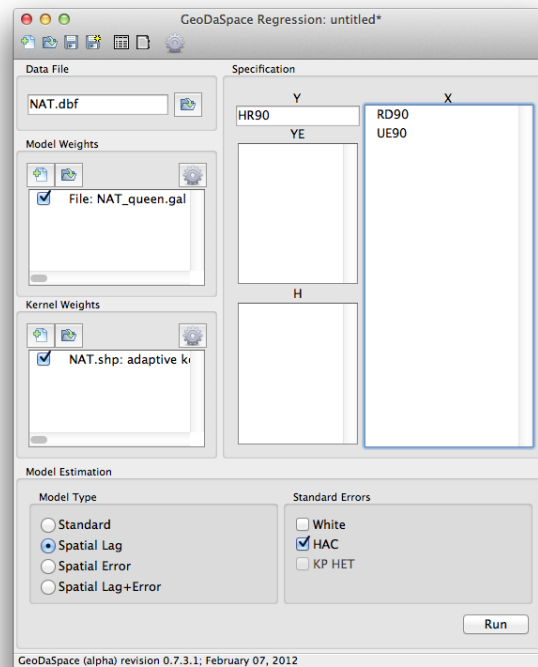
The standard model types are OLS and TSLS models. These methods provide non-spatial diagnostics and spatial diagnostics, if a spatial weights matrix has been selected. In case there is no variable in the box ‘YE’, implying the absence of any explanatory endogenous variable, an OLS model is estimated. If instead there is any variable in the box ‘YE’, a TSLS is estimated. In this case, it is also required to provide in the box ‘H’ the instruments for the endogenous variable (Figure 6). White and HAC (requires kernel weights) corrections for heteroskedasticity are available for these methods. The ‘KP HET’ robust estimator assumes a spatial error structure, and therefore is not available for

standard model types. Please see Section 2.4 for details on advanced settings for these methods.

Spatial lag

- Spatial lag
- Spatial lag with heteroskedasticity – White
- Spatial lag with heteroskedasticity – HAC
- Spatial lag with additional endogenous variables
- Spatial lag with additional endogenous variables and heteroskedasticity – White
- Spatial lag with additional endogenous variables and heteroskedasticity – HAC

Figure 7: Estimation of a spatial lag model with heteroskedasticity – HAC



The spatial lag type of model includes a lag of the dependent variable ‘Y’ on the right side of the equation:

$$\mathbf{y} = \rho \mathbf{W}\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{X}\beta + \varepsilon, \quad (1)$$

or, alternatively:

$$\mathbf{y} = (I - \rho \mathbf{W})^{-1}(\mathbf{X}\beta + \varepsilon), \quad (2)$$

in which \mathbf{y} is a $n \times 1$ vector containing the dependent variable ‘Y’, \mathbf{W} is the $n \times n$ spatial weights matrix, ρ is the spatial autoregressive scalar parameter, \mathbf{X} is a $n \times k$ matrix of observations on the explanatory variables ‘X’, β is a $k \times 1$ vector of coefficients, and ε is a $n \times 1$ vector of random errors.

As with the standard methods, White and HAC (requires kernel weights) corrections for heteroskedasticity are available for spatial lag models. Figure 7 shows an example of the estimation of a spatial lag model using HAC to correct the heteroskedasticity. The ‘KP HET’ robust estimator is not available for models with spatial lag and no spatial errors, since it assumes a spatial error structure. Please see Section 2.4 for details on advanced settings for these methods.

Spatial error

- Spatial error (KPD)
- Spatial error with endogenous variables (KPD)
- Spatial error (KP98/99)
- Spatial error with endogenous variables (KP98/99)
- Spatial error with heteroskedasticity
- Spatial error with endogenous variables and heteroskedasticity

The spatial error type of model estimates a spatial autoregressive parameter in the errors (λ):

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\beta + \mathbf{u}, \quad (3)$$

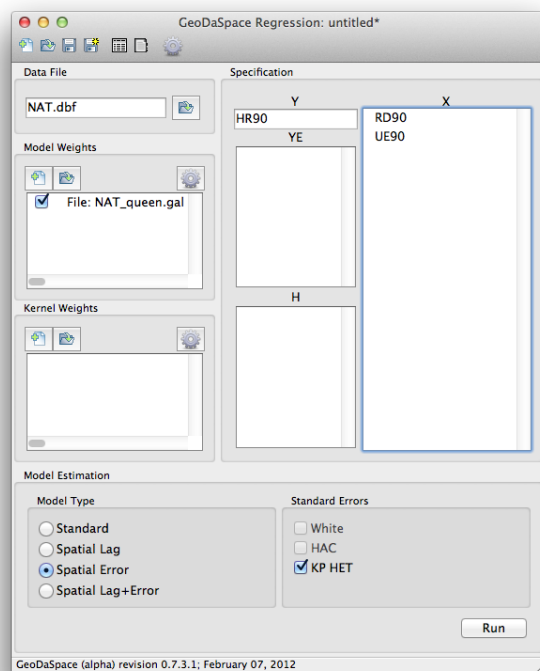
$$\mathbf{u} = \lambda \mathbf{W}\mathbf{u} + \varepsilon, \quad (4)$$

or, alternatively:

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\beta + (I - \lambda \mathbf{W})^{-1}\varepsilon. \quad (5)$$

GeoDaSpace provides two different estimators for spatial error models without heteroskedasticity. The default is the estimator proposed by Drukker et al. (2010), which we refer to as ‘KPD’. The second option is the estimator proposed by Kelejian and Prucha (1998, 1999), here referred as ‘KP98/99’. The choice of the estimator to be used can be changed in the Advanced Settings Panel (Section 2.4). Given the spatial structure of the error term, it is not possible to use White or HAC corrections for heteroskedasticity. Instead, GeoDaSpace can estimate the method proposed by Arraiz et al. (2010), which is robust to

Figure 8: Estimation of spatial error models with heteroskedasticity

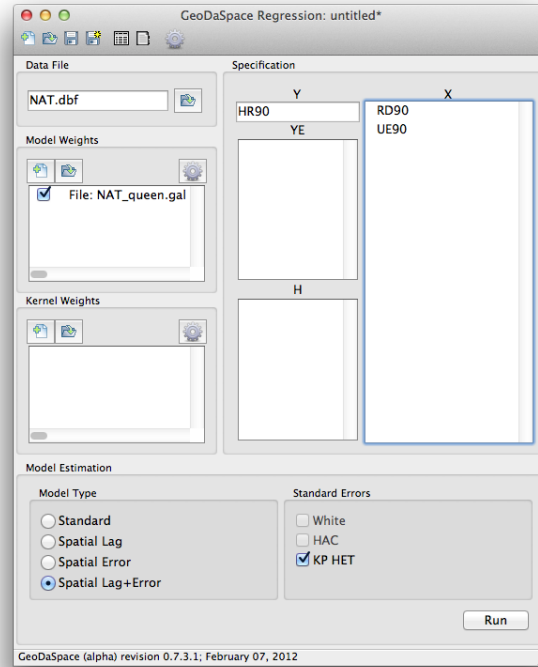


heteroskedasticity. To estimate this method, all we need to do is check both ‘Spatial Error’ model type and ‘KP HET’ standard errors (Figure 8) Please see Section 2.4 for details on advanced settings for these methods.

Spatial lag and error

- Spatial lag and error (KPD)
- Spatial lag and error with additional endogenous variables (KPD)
- Spatial lag and error (KP98/99)
- Spatial lag and error with additional endogenous variables (KP98/99)
- Spatial lag and error with heteroskedasticity
- Spatial lag and error with additional endogenous variables and heteroskedasticity

Figure 9: Estimation of spatial lag and error model with heteroskedasticity



All estimation methods for spatial error are also available in the presence of both spatial lag and spatial error. Once again, the default is the 'KPD', but the 'KP98/99' can be selected from the Advanced Settings Panel (Section 2.4). In the presence of heteroskedasticity, it is possible to estimate the method proposed by Arraiz et al. (2010) by checking both 'Spatial Lag+Error' model type and 'KP HET' standard errors. Figure 9 shows how to estimate a spatial error model with spatial lag and heteroskedasticity in GeoDaSpace.

2.4 Advanced settings

3 Comparing estimation results from GeoDaSpace, Stata and R: reasons for difference and pathway for matching

3.1 Introduction

In this section we compare the results of models with spatial error from 3 different programs: GeoDaSpace, R and Stata. Despite all the methods available in GeoDaSpace (see Section 1), here we show only those which yield discrepant results in GeoDaSpace in comparison with Stata. An explanation for the differences is provided. In addition, we show how to set the preferences in GeoDaSpace in order to get the same results from Stata. When this option is not available, we show how PySAL⁶ (Rey and Anselin 2007), a Python library on which GeoDaSpace is based, can be used to match Stata.

For this document we use two different versions of the R package `sphet`. The first one, henceforth `sphet1`, is the released version of `sphet` (v. 1.1-12, published on CRAN on 2012-04-13). In addition to this version of `sphet`, we also use the alpha version from R-Forge, revision 56, published on 2012-07-22. This newer version of the code, which contains many additional methods and enhancements to `sphet1`, is henceforth referred as `sphet2`⁷.

The following spatial error models (SEM) are discussed in this section:

- SEM with exogenous variables and no heteroskedasticity (KPD)
- SEM with endogenous variables and no heteroskedasticity (KPD)
- SEM with spatial lag and no heteroskedasticity (KPD)
- SEM with exogenous variables and heteroskedasticity
- SEM with endogenous variables and heteroskedasticity
- SEM with spatial lag and heteroskedasticity

3.2 Spatial Error Models without Heteroskedasticity

The default spatial error model without heteroskedasticity in GeoDaSpace is the KPD model (Drukker et al. 2010). Given the particular specification of the model when all variables as exogenous, as presented in Anselin (2011), the results from GeoDaSpace do not match those from Stata when this method is used. This discrepancy is due to an error in Stata for the case of a spatial error model with exogenous variables only. In Stata, the exogeneity is ignored and a two-stage least squares estimation is performed instead of the OLS.

Table 2 compares the results from GeoDaSpace, Stata and R. The KPD method is not available in the currently released version of `sphet1` (v. 1.1-12).

⁶More information on PySAL can be found at <http://pysal.geodacenter.org/>

⁷Given that it is an alpha version, the code is subject to change.

Nonetheless, the results presented here can be obtained using `sphet2`, the alpha version from R-Forge. As Table 2 shows, the results from GeoDaSpace differ from those from `sphet2`.

Table 2: Comparison of the results of spatial error models with exogenous variables and no heteroskedasticity

Variable	GeoDaSpace	sphet2	Stata	PySAL ¹
CONSTANT	8.0259 (0.3601)	6.6762 (0.3498)	6.9884 (0.3605)	6.9884 (0.3605)
RD90	4.3228 (0.1596)	3.9450 (0.1553)	3.9945 (0.1612)	3.9945 (0.1612)
UE90	-0.2753 (0.0479)	-0.0770 (0.0471)	-0.1240 (0.0490)	-0.1240 (0.0490)
lambda	0.4572 (0.0189)	0.4149 (0.0194)	0.4124 (0.0194)	0.4124 (0.0194)

¹PySAL using the code to match Stata as in Listing 1.

Despite the problems with Stata’s estimator, PySAL allows us to match its results. To do so, we have to use PySAL’s Base classes, that allows us to specify the model more freely. Since Stata performs a 2SLS estimation, in order to match its results using PySAL we have to specify X as both the endogenous variables and the instruments. Since PySAL requires at least one exogenous variable, we create a constant to use as such. In addition to the different treatment given to exogenous variables in Stata, the A1 matrix used to estimate the model is also different. In GeoDaSpace’s code, the option was for the use of the matrix proposed by Arraiz et al. (2010) instead of Drukker et al. (2010) and Drukker et al. (2011). The details of this choice can be found in Anselin (2011). Listing 1 shows the command that will allow PySAL to match the results from Stata for the spatial error model⁸.

⁸A walkthrough for the estimation of spatial error models without heteroskedasticity using PySAL can be found at http://pysal.geodacenter.org/dev/library/spreg/error_sp_hom.html

Listing 1: Using PySAL to match the results of spatial error models from Stata

```

import pysal
import numpy as np

w = pysal.open('NAT_queen.gal').read()
w.transform = 'r'
db = pysal.open('NAT.dbf')
hr90 = np.array([db.by_col('HR90')]).T
rd90 = np.array([db.by_col('RD90')]).T
ue90 = np.array([db.by_col('UE90')]).T
x = np.hstack((rd90, ue90))

ones = np.ones(crime.shape)
model = pysal.spreg.BaseGM_Endog_Error_Hom(hr90, ones,
                                             yend=x, q=x, w=w, A1='hom_sc')

print model.betas
print map(np.sqrt, model.vm.diagonal())

```

If we have endogenous variables, or a spatial lag, the problem in Stata's code no longer exists, since we now do have to run a 2SLS estimator. Nonetheless, the results from GeoDaSpace remain different from those from Stata and R, as shown in Table 3. The difference is due to the choice of the A1 matrix used in the estimations and, for the spatial lag, the number of lags of the exogenous variables used as instruments.

Once again, PySAL offers the possibility of matching Stata. As shown in Listing 2, all that we have to do is to select the option 'hom_sc' for the argument A1. By doing so, we override the default A1='het', in which the matrix A1 is defined as in Arraiz et al. (2010) by opting for the A1 as used in Stata and presented in Drukker et al. (2010) and Drukker et al. (2011). For the case of a spatial lag, it is also important to set the amount of spatial lags of the exogenous variables to be used as instrument of the spatial lag of the dependent variable. The default used in GeoDaSpace is '1'. The value must be changed to '2' in order to match Stata's results. The code shown in Listing 2 continues from Listing 1.

Table 3: Comparison of the results of spatial error models with endogenous variables or spatial lag

Spatial error with UE90 as endogenous variable				
Variable	GeoDaSpace	sphet2	Stata	PySAL ¹
CONSTANT	21.0288 (1.5362)	19.7052 (1.4194)	21.0606 (1.5385)	21.0606 (1.5385)
RD90	8.2376 (0.4881)	8.0369 (0.4634)	8.2420 (0.4888)	8.2420 (0.4888)
UE90 ²	-2.2392 (0.2286)	-2.0396 (0.2111)	-2.2438 (0.2290)	-2.2438 (0.2290)
lambda	0.4934 (0.0216)	0.4856 (0.0220)	0.4944 (0.0217)	0.4944 (0.0217)
Spatial error with spatial lag				
Variable	GeoDaSpace ³	sphet2	Stata	PySAL ¹
CONSTANT	6.9406 (0.5327)	6.9362 (0.5120)	6.9362 (0.5120)	6.9362 (0.5120)
RD90	4.0074 (0.1758)	4.0061 (0.1764)	4.0061 (0.1764)	4.0061 (0.1764)
UE90	-0.0957 (0.0490)	-0.0978 (0.0481)	-0.0978 (0.0481)	-0.0978 (0.0481)
W_HR90	-0.0220 (0.0543)	-0.0190 (0.0513)	-0.0190 (0.0513)	-0.0190 (0.0513)
lambda	0.5098 (0.0376)	0.4364 (0.0421)	0.4364 (0.0421)	0.4364 (0.0421)

¹PySAL using the code to match Stata as in Listing 2.

²UE90 instrumented by FP89 and all other exogenous variables.

³GeoDaSpace using 2 spatial lags for the instruments.

Note:I'm still not convinced I'm doing the endog model in R right.
I'll have to check with Gianfranco. He says he's results match Stata's.

Listing 2: Using PySAL to match the results of spatial error models with endogenous variables or spatial lag from Stata

```
#Spatial error model with spatial lag:
model = pysal.spreg.GM_Combo_Hom(hr90, x, w=w,
                                A1='hom_sc', w_lags=2)
print model.summary

#Adding instrument 'FP89':
fp89 = np.array([db.by_col('FP89')]).T

#Spatial error model with UE90 as endogenous variable:
model = pysal.spreg.GM_Endog_Error_Hom(hr90, rd90,
                                       yend=ue90, q=fp89, w=w, A1='hom_sc')
print model.summary
```

3.3 Spatial Error Models with Heteroskedasticity

As in the case with no heteroskedasticity, Stata's code has an error in the estimation of the spatial error model with exogenous variables only. Therefore, it is not possible to match the results from Stata for this specification using GeoDaSpace. Table 4 compares GeoDaSpace's results against Stata and the package sphet from R. As already stated, we refer to the released version 1.1-12 of sphet as sphet1 and the updated alpha version of spreg available from R-Forge (revision 56 published on 2012-07-22) is referred as sphet2. Differently than sphet2, the version sphet1 does not allow us to skip one step in the estimation of the method (step1c), which is done by default in GeoDaSpace, Stata and sphet2. Please check Section 3.3.1 for more details on this.

Table 4: Comparison of the results of spatial error models with exogenous variables and heteroskedasticity

Variable	GeoDaSpace	sphet1	sphet2	Stata	PySAL ¹
CONSTANT	6.6586 (0.4749)	6.5782 (0.4594)	6.6586 (0.4745)	6.9777 (0.4622)	6.9777 (0.4622)
RD90	3.9417 (0.2602)	3.9275 (0.2316)	3.9417 (0.2599)	3.9911 (0.2326)	3.9911 (0.2325)
UE90	-0.0745 (0.0611)	-0.0630 (0.0589)	-0.0745 (0.0611)	-0.1225 (0.0592)	-0.1225 (0.0592)
lambda	0.4753 (0.0235)	0.4756 (0.0237)	0.4740 (0.0237)	0.4721 (0.0236)	0.4721 (0.0236)

¹PySAL using the code to match Stata as in Listing 3.

In PySAL, it is possible to mimic the problem in Stata's code to estimate a

model that yields the same results⁹. The code is shown in Listing 3.

Listing 3: Using PySAL to match the results of spatial error models with heteroskedasticity from Stata

```
import pysal
import numpy as np

w = pysal.open('NAT_queen.gal').read()
w.transform = 'r'
db = pysal.open('NAT.dbf')
hr90 = np.array([db.by_col('HR90')]).T
rd90 = np.array([db.by_col('RD90')]).T
ue90 = np.array([db.by_col('UE90')]).T
x = np.hstack((rd90, ue90))

model = pysal.spreg.BaseGM_Endog_Error_Het(hr90, ones,
                                             yend=x, q=x, w=w)

print model.summary
```

When the spatial error model with heteroskedasticity contains a spatial lag, the default specification in GeoDaSpace does match the results from Stata. This is due to the order of the spatial lags of the exogenous variables used as instruments of the spatial lag of the dependent variable. The default in GeoDaSpace is a single lag. In Stata however the model is run lagging the exogenous variables twice. This option cannot be changed in Stata. In GeoDaSpace, we can choose the number of lags desired from the Preferences Panel (see Section 2.4). If we select '2' as the order of spatial lags for instruments, the results from GeoDaSpace match Stata's, as shown in Table 5.

If the spatial error model with heteroskedasticity contains other type of endogenous variables, but not a spatial lag, the results from GeoDaSpace match those from Stata without the need of any change (Table 6).

In PySAL, these models could be estimated using the code shown in Listing 4. This code is a continuation of Listing 3.

⁹A walkthrough for the estimation of spatial error models with heteroskedasticity using PySAL can be found at http://pysal.geodacenter.org/dev/library/spreg/error_sp_het.html

Table 5: Comparison of the results of spatial error models with spatial lag and heteroskedasticity

Variable	GeoDaSpace ¹	sphet1	sphet2	Stata	PySAL ²
CONSTANT	6.9406 (0.8600)	7.0196 (0.8251)	6.9406 (0.8600)	6.9406 (0.8600)	6.9406 (0.8600)
RD90	4.0074 (0.3261)	4.0057 (0.3212)	4.0074 (0.3261)	4.0074 (0.3261)	4.0074 (0.3261)
UE90	-0.0957 (0.0664)	-0.0643 (0.0640)	-0.0957 (0.0664)	-0.0957 (0.0664)	-0.0957 (0.0664)
W_HR90	-0.0220 (0.0876)	-0.0702 (0.0839)	-0.0220 (0.0876)	-0.0220 (0.0876)	-0.0220 (0.0876)
lambda	0.5584 (0.0507)	0.6399 (0.0460)	0.5584 (0.0507)	0.5584 (0.0507)	0.5584 (0.0507)

¹GeoDaSpace using 2 spatial lags for the instruments.

²PySAL using the code to match Stata as in Listing 4.

Table 6: Comparison of the results of spatial error models with endogenous variable (UE90) and heteroskedasticity

Variable	GeoDaSpace	sphet2 ¹	Stata	PySAL ²
CONSTANT	21.0288 (2.5629)	19.6812 (2.2653)	21.0288 (2.5629)	21.0288 (2.5629)
RD90	8.2376 (0.7817)	8.0401 (0.7161)	8.2376 (0.7817)	8.2376 (0.7817)
UE90 ³	-2.2392 (0.3902)	-2.0361 (0.3449)	-2.2392 (0.3902)	-2.2392 (0.3902)
lambda	0.4667 (0.0298)	0.4614 (0.0295)	0.4667 (0.0298)	0.4667 (0.0298)

¹sphet1 does not allow for endogenous variables.

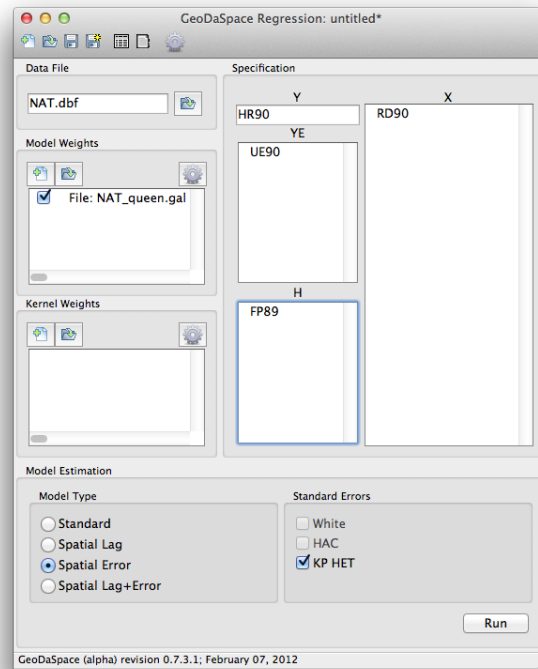
²PySAL using the code to match Stata as in Listing 4.

³UE90 instrumented by FP89 and exogenous variables.

Note: I'm still not convinced I'm doing the endog model in R right.

I'll have to check with Gianfranco. He says he's results match Stata's.

Figure 10: Estimation of spatial error models with heteroskedasticity and endogenous variables using GeoDaSpace



Listing 4: Using PySAL to match the results of spatial error models with heteroskedasticity and endogenous variables or spatial lag from Stata

```
#Spatial error model with spatial lag and
# heteroskedasticity:
model = pysal.spreg.GM.Combo-Het(hr90 , x ,
                                w=w, w_lags=2)
print model.summary

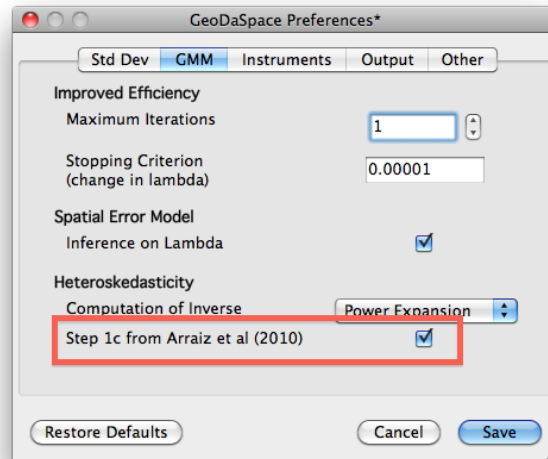
#Adding instrument 'FP89':
fp89 = np.array([db.by_col('FP89')]).T

#Spatial error model with UE90 as endogenous variable
# and heteroskedasticity:
model = pysal.spreg.GM.Endog-Error-Het(hr90 , rd90 ,
                                       yend=ue90 , q=fp89 , w=w)
print model.summary
```

3.3.1 Initial Efficient Estimation of Lambda (Step1c)

In addition to the number of lags of the exogenous variables to be used as instruments, both GeoDaSpace and PySAL also offer the possibility to add the Step 1c in the estimation of the model as proposed by Arraiz et al. (2010). Step 1c updates the initial consistent estimation of lambda using a weighted nonlinear least squares solution to the moments equations. This results in a consistent and efficient intermediate estimation of lambda. Note however that a consistent estimation at this stage is already sufficient to obtain a consistent estimation of all parameters in the model. The option to run Step 1c can be found in the preferences panel in GeoDaSpace, as shown in Figure 11. In PySAL, all we have to do to select this option is add 'step1c=True' to the arguments of the model (Listing 5).

Figure 11: Option to run Step1c from Arraiz et al. (2010) for estimating spatial error models with heteroskedasticity using GeoDaSpace



Listing 5: Using PySAL to match the results of spatial error models with heteroskedasticity and endogenous variables or spatial lag from Stata

```
#Spatial error model with heteroskedasticity
#   (running Step1c):
model = pysal.spreg.GM_Error_Het(hr90, x,
                                w=w, step1c=True)
print model.summary

#Spatial error model with spatial lag and
#   heteroskedasticity (running Step1c):
model = pysal.spreg.GM_Combo_Het(hr90, x,
                                w=w, step1c=True)
print model.summary

#Spatial error model with HOVAL as endogenous variable
#   and heteroskedasticity (running Step1c):
model = pysal.spreg.GM_Endog_Error_Het(hr90, rd90,
                                       yend=ue90, q=fp89, w=w, step1c=True)
print model.summary
```

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