Week 7 Homework: Writing a Kriging function

Note: I used some equations in the description of this homework. To view them clearly, please click the 'knit' button on the top of this window. In case you have problem with the knitting, a pdf file is also enclosed ('homework.pdf') for you.

The following simple table contains measurements at 10 locations $z(s_i)$, i = 1, ... 10, and we need to make estimation of a target location ($z(s_{11})$, red star point) using kriging.

Assume that we know the mean of the observations is 0. As mentioned in the class, simple kriging can be used to make this estimation. We have learned that, with a specification of covariogram/variogram $\gamma(h)$, the kriging weights can be obtained by $\omega = \sum_{dd}^{-1} \sigma_{dt}$, where the ω is the vector of kriging weights, \sum_{dd} is the covariance matrix of the observation specified by $\gamma(h)$, and σ_{dt} indicates the covariance vector between the targeted location and the observations. The kriging estimation can then been given as $\hat{z}(s_{11}) = \sum_{i=1}^{10} \omega_i z(s_i)$ and the associated variance is $\hat{\sigma}(s_{11}) = \sigma(0) - \sum_{i=1}^{10} \omega_i \sigma(|s_{11} - s_i|)$, where $\sigma(0)$ is the variance of the $z(s_i)$, $i = 1, \ldots, 10$. With these, please finish the following two questions.

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Question 1

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The exponential covariogram function $\gamma(h)$ is given in the following R block.

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# this is a function to return the value of exponential covariogram based on
#the input distance. The covariogram parameters have been specified.

expVariogram<-function(distance){
   nugget=0; sill=2000; range=20000
   return (nugget+sill*exp(-3*distance/range))
}</pre>
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With this covariogram, please finish the following kriging(object, location) function. The input of this function are sample locations and values (object'), and the location ('location') to be estimated. The expected return value of this function is kriging estimation at location'.

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#With the above exponential covariogram, please finish the following kriging function
kriging<-function(object, location){</pre>
   n=nrow(object)
   x <- as.matrix(cbind(object$x, object$y))</pre>
   # First, we calculate the distance matrix between observations.
   # Initialize distance matrix
   x1 \leftarrow rep(rep(0,n),n)
   dist <- matrix(x1,nrow=n,ncol=n)</pre>
   for (i in 1:n){
      for (j in 1:n){
         dist[i,j]=sqrt((x[i,1]-x[j,1])^2+(x[i,2]-x[j,2])^2)
      }
   }
   ## Here, please add your code to convert the distance matrix to covariance
   ## matrix (Hint: use the provided covariogram function *expVariogram()*)
 ##
   dist2= rep(0,n) # initialize observation to target distance
   for(i in 1:n){
      dist2[i] = sqrt((x[i,1]-location[1])^2 + (x[i,2]-location[2])^2)
   }
   ## Here, please add your code to convert the distance vector between target
   # and observations to the vector of covariance
   # The following code generate the kriging weighs for each observations.
   # function `solve(C)` to invert a matrix `C`, and function `%*%` to
   # multiply two matrix
   w <- solve(C) %*% c
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Question 2

Using the <code>kriging()</code> function you completed in previous question, please make estimation at the 10 observed locations and compare the difference between your estimation and the observations. What do you find from the difference?