Autoregressive model of order 1 (AR1)

Parametrization

The autoregressive model of order 1 (AR1) for the Gaussian vector $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ is defined as:

$$x_1 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, (\tau(1-\phi^2))^{-1})$$

 $x_i = \phi \ x_{i-1} + \epsilon_i; \quad \epsilon_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \tau^{-1}) \quad i = 2, \dots, n$

where

$$|\phi| < 1$$

Hyperparameters

The precision parameter κ is represented as

$$\theta_1 = \log(\kappa)$$

where κ is the marginal precision,

$$\kappa = \tau (1 - \phi^2).$$

The parameter ϕ is represented as

$$\theta_2 = \log\left(\frac{1+\phi}{1-\phi}\right)$$

and the prior is defined on $\theta = (\theta_1, \theta_2)$.

Specification

The AR1 model is specified inside the f() function as

```
f(<whatever>, model="ar1", values=<values>, hyper = <hyper>)
```

The (optional) argument values is a numeric or factor vector giving the values assumed by the covariate for which we want the effect to be estimated. See the example for RW1 for an application.

Hyperparameter spesification and defaults

hyper

```
theta1
```

```
name precision
short.name prec
initial 4
fixed FALSE
prior loggamma
param c(1, 1e-04)
```

theta2

name lag-one correlation short.name rho initial 2 fixed FALSE prior normal param c(0, 0.2)

```
constr FALSE
nrow.ncol FALSE
augmented FALSE
aug.factor 1
aug.constr NULL
n.div.by NULL
n.required FALSE
set.default.values FALSE
```

Example

In this exaple we implement an ar1 model observed with Poisson counts

```
#simulate data
n = 100
phi = 0.8
prec = 10
## note that the marginal precision would be
marg.prec = prec * (1-phi^2)

E=sample(c(5,4,10,12),size=n,replace=T)
eta = as.vector(arima.sim(list(order = c(1,0,0), ar = phi), n = n,sd=sqrt(1/prec)))
y=rpois(n,E*exp(eta))
data = list(y=y,z=1:n)

## fit the model
formula = y~f(z,model="ar1")
result = inla(formula,family="poisson", data = data)
```

Notes

None