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cppEDM is a C++ implementation of empirical dynamic modeling (EDM) algorithms. It is designed as an application programming interface (API) to functions in the libEDM.a library.

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Introduction

cppEDM is a C++ implementation of empirical dynamic modeling (EDM) algorithms. Core algorithms are listed in table 1. It is primarily a functional programming implementation with application programming interface (API) functions accepting parameters and returning data objects. EDM functions are accessed from a user-compiled library created from C++ source files and a unix-like compiler supporting the C++11 standard. cppEDM shares many high-level design attributes with the devEDM Python package. cppEDM has Python and R interfaces with the pyEDM and rEDM packages.

Algorithm	API Interface	Reference
Simplex projection	Simplex()	Sugihara and May (1990)
Sequential Locally Weighted Global Linear Maps (S-map)	SMap()	Sugihara (1994)
Predictions from multivariate embeddings	<pre>Simplex(), SMap()</pre>	Dixon et. al. (1999)
Convergent cross mapping	CCM()	Sugihara et. al. (2012)
Multiview embedding	Multiview()	Ye and Sugihara (2016)

Convenience functions to prepare and evaluate data are listed in table 2.

Function	Purpose	Parameter Range
Embed()	Timeseries delay dimensional embedding	User defined
EmbedDimension()	Evaluate prediction skill vs. embedding dimension	E = [1, 10]
<pre>PredictInterval()</pre>	Evaluate prediction skill vs. forecast interval	Tp = [1, 10]
PredictNonlinear()	Evaluate prediction skill vs. SMap nonlinear localisation	θ = 0.01, 0.1, 0.3, 0.5, 0.75, 1, 1.5, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9
ComputeError()	Pearson correlation, MAE, RMSE	

Installation

cppEDM is available at github.com/SugiharaLab/cppEDM.

cppEDM requires a C++11 standard compiler, and the LAPACK library. The libEDM.a library can be built by running "make" in the cppEDM/src/ directory. This copies libEDM.a into the cppEDM/lib/ directory, where it can be linked to user applications.

Once libEDM.a is built, there are a series of test applications in the cppEDM/tests/ directory. The applications can be built with the "make" command, and executed at the command line. API examples can also be found in cppEDM/etc/Test.cc.

Class Objects

Two C++ class objects are used for data access and parameter coordination, the DataFrame and Parameters classes, described below.

DataFrame

The DataFrame class is the fundamental data object of cppEDM. It stores data in a contiguous block of memory using the C++ valarray type in a row-major format.

A DataFrame can be initialised with data from a csv file by calling the DataFrame constructor with path and fileName parameters. Data input files are assumed to be in csv format. The files are assumed to have a single line header with column names. If column names are not detected in the header line, then column names are created as V1, V2...

It is assumed that the first column of the csv file is a vector of times or time indices for each observation (row). All subsequent columns are expected to be numeric. However, a DataFrame can be created with the noTime = true parameter to read in numeric data with no time in the first column. Such data frames should not be passed to prediction functions.

The WriteData(path, file) class method can be called explicitly to write data to a csv format file. If the DataFrame does not have column names, then column names are created as V1, V2...

Primary DataFrame access functions are listed in table 3.

DataFrame Method	Parameters	Type	Purpose
(row, column)	size_t row size_t column	double or int	Access data element
DataFrame(path, file)	string path string fileName	DataFrame <double></double>	Create DataFrame from csv file
WriteData(path, file)	string outputFilePath string outputFileName		Write DataFrame to file
Elements()		valarray	Access data valarray
NColumns()		size_t	Get number of columns
NRows()		size_t	Get number of rows
size()		size_t	Get number of elements
ColumnNames()		vector< string >	Access column names
<pre>ColumnNameToIndex()</pre>		<pre>map<string, size_t=""></string,></pre>	Access column name to index map
<pre>MaxRowPrint()</pre>		size_t	Access maximum number of rows to ostream
Column(col)	size_t col	valarray	Get data vector at column
Row(row)	size_t row	valarray	Get data vector at row
VectorColumnName(column)	string column	valarray	Get data vector at column with name
ColumnMajorData()		valarray	Elements() in column major format.
<pre>DataFrameFromColumnIndex (columns)</pre>	vector <size_t> columns</size_t>	DataFrame <double></double>	Get DataFrame subset from column indices
DataFrameFromColumnNames (columns)	vector <string></string>	DataFrame <double></double>	Get DataFrame subset from column names
WriteRow(row, array)	size_t row std::valarray <t> array</t>		Write valarray to row
WriteColumn(col, array)	<pre>size_t col valarray<t> array</t></pre>		Write valarray to column

Parameters

The Parameters class is used to store and access API function parameters in a unified object. Generally this is an internal object that does not need to be instantiated, accessed or dynamically modified. API parameter names and purpose are listed in table 4.

Parameter	Type	Default	Purpose
pathIn	string	"./"	Input data file path
dataFile	string	" "	Data file name
pathOut	string	"./"	Output file path
predictFile	string	11 11	Prediction output file
lib	string	11 11	library start : stop row indices
pred	string	11 11	prediction start : stop row indices
E	int	0	Data dimension
Тр	int	0 or 1	Prediction interval (rows)
knn	int	0	Number nearest neighbors
tau	int	-1	Embedding delay (rows)
theta	float	0	SMap localisation
exclusionRadius	int	0	Prediction vector exclusion row radius
columns	string	" "	Column names or indices for prediction
target	string	" "	Target library column name or index
embedded	bool	false	Is data an embedding?
const_pred	bool	false	Include non-projected forecast data
verbose	bool	false	Echo messages
smapFile	string	11 11	SMap coefficient output file
multiview	int	0	Number of ensembles, $0 = \operatorname{sqrt}(N)$
libSizes_str	string	11 11	CCM library sizes
sample	int	0	CCM number of random samples
random	bool	true	CCM use random samples?
replacement	bool	false	CCM sample with replacement?
seed	unsigned	0	RNG seed, $0 = \text{random seed}$

Application Programming Interface (API)

Embed

Create a data block of Takens (1981) time-delay embedding from each of the columns in the csv file or DataFrame. The columns parameter can be a list of column names, or a list of column indices. If columns is a list of indices, then column names are created as V1, V2...

Note: The returned DataFrame will have tau*(E-1) fewer rows than the input data from the removal of partial vectors as a result of the embedding.

Note: The returned DataFrame will not have the time column.

```
// Overload 1: Explicit data file path/name
//-----
DataFrame< double > Embed ( std::string path
                  std::string dataFile = "",
                  int
                          E = 0,
                  int tau = -1,
                  std::string columns = "",
                  bool verbose = false );
//-----
// Overload 2: DataFrame provided
//-----
DataFrame< double > Embed ( DataFrame< double > dataFrame,
                  int
                                tau = -1,
                   int
                  std::string
                                columns = "",
                                verbose = false );
                  bool
// Called from Embed to create the time-delay embedding
//----
DataFrame< double > MakeBlock ( DataFrame< double >
                                      dataFrame,
                     int
                                      Ε,
                                      tau,
                     std::vector<std::string> columnNames,
                     bool
                                      verbose );
```

Simplex

Simplex projection of the input data file or DataFrame. The returned DataFrame has 3 columns "Time", "Observations", "Predictions". nan values are inserted where there is no observation or prediction. See the Parameters table for parameter definitions.

lib and pred specify [start stop] row indices of the input data for the library and predictions.

If embedded is false the data columns are embedded to dimension E with delay tau. If embedded is true the data columns are assumed to be a multivariable data block.

If knn is not specified, and embedded is false, it is set equal to E+1. If embedded is true, knn is set equal to the number of columns + 1.

```
//-----
// Overload 1: Explicit data file path/name
//-----
DataFrame<double> Simplex( std::string pathIn = "./data/", std::string dataFile = "", std::string pathOut = "./",
                             std::string data-rile = "",
std::string pathOut = "./",
std::string predictFile = "",
                             std::string lib
                             std::string pred = "",
int E = 0,
int Tp = 1,
int knn = 0,
int tau = -1,
int exclusionRadius = 0,
                             std::string columns = "",
                             std::string target = "",
bool embedded = false,
bool const_pred = false,
bool verbose = true);
//-----
// Overload 2: DataFrame reference provided
//-----
DataFrame<double> Simplex( DataFrame< double > &dataFrameIn,
                             std::string pathOut = "./",
                             std::string predictFile = "",
std::string lib = "",
                             std::string pred
                             int E = 0,
int Tp = 1,
int knn = 0,
int tau = -1,
int exclusionRadius = 0,
                             std::string columns = "",
                             std::string target = "",
bool embedded = false,
bool const_pred = false,
bool verbose = true);
```

SMap

SMap projection of the input data file or DataFrame. See the Parameters table for parameter definitions.

SMap() returns a SMapValues structure:

```
struct SMapValues {
    DataFrame< double > predictions;
    DataFrame< double > coefficients;
};
```

The predictions DataFrame has 3 columns "Time", "Observations", "Predictions". nan values are inserted where there is no observation or prediction. If predictFile is provided the predictions will be written to it in csv format.

The coefficients DataFrame will have E+2 columns. The first column is the "Time" vector, the remaining E+1 columns are the SMap SVD fit coefficients.

1ib and pred specify [start, stop] row indices of the input data for the library and predictions.

If embedded is false the data columns are embedded to dimension E with delay tau. If embedded is true the data columns are assumed to be a multivariable data block. If smapFile is provided the coefficients will be written to it in csy format.

If knn is not specified, it is set equal to the library size. If knn is specified, it must be greater than E.

```
// Overload 1: Explicit data file path/name
//-----
SMapValues SMap( std::string pathIn = "./data/",
                 std::string dataFile
                 std::string pathOut
std::string predictFile
                 std::string lib
                 std::string pred
                  int
                              E
                             Тp
                 int
                 int knn
int tau
double theta
int exclusion
                             exclusionRadius = 0,
                 std::string columns
                                               = ""
                                               = "",
                 std::string target
                 std::string target - , std::string smapFile = "",
                 std::string derivatives = "",
bool embedded = false,
bool const_pred = false,
bool verbose = true)
                                                      // Not implemented
                                               = true );
```

```
//----
// Overload 2: DataFrame reference provided
//----
SMapValues SMap( DataFrame< double > &dataFrameIn,
            std::string pathOut = "./",
            std::string predictFile = "",
            std::string lib
                                = "",
            std::string pred
                                = 0,
            int
                    \mathbf{E}
                                = 1,
            int
                     qT
            int
                    knn
                                = 0,
            int
                    tau
                                = -1,
            double theta = 0, int exclusionRadius = 0,
            std::string columns = "",
            embedded
            bool
                                = false,
                     const_pred
                                = false,
            bool
            bool
                                = true );
                     verbose
//----
// Overload 3: Data path/file with external solver object, init to default SVD
//----
                               = "./data/",
= "",
SMapValues SMap( std::string pathIn
            std::string dataFile
                                = "./",
            std::string pathOut
                               = "",
            std::string predictFile
                                 = "",
            std::string lib
                                = "",
            std::string pred
            int
                     E
                                = 0,
                                 = 1,
            int
                     Тp
            int
                                = 0,
                    knn
            int
                    tau
                                = -1,
            double theta = 0, int exclusionRadius = 0,
                                 = 0,
            std::string columns = "",
            std::string target
                                = "",
            std::string smapFile
                                 = "",
            std::string derivatives = "",
                                        // Not implemented
            std::valarray<double> (*solver)(DataFrame < double >,
                                 std::valarray < double >) = &SVD,
            bool
                     embedded
                                 = false,
            bool
                     const predict = false,
            bool
                     verbose
                                 = true );
```

```
//-----
// Overload 4: DataFrame with external solver object, init to default SVD
//----
SMapValues SMap( DataFrame< double > &dataFrameIn,
            std::string pathOut = "./",
            std::string predictFile
                                = "",
                                = "",
            std::string lib
                                 = "",
            std::string pred
                                 = 0,
            int
                    E
            int
                     Тp
                                = 1,
                    knn
                                = 0,
            int
            int
                    tau
                                 = -1,
            = "",
            std::string columns
            std::string target
                                 = "",
            std::string smapFile
                                = "",
            std::string derivatives
                                 = "",
                                       // Not implemented
            std::valarray<double> (*solver)(DataFrame < double >,
                                 std::valarray < double >) = &SVD,
            bool
                     embedded
                                 = false,
            bool
                     const_predict = false,
            bool
                     verbose
                                 = true );
```

CCM

Convergent cross mapping via Simplex of the first vector specified in columns against target. The data cannot be multivariable, the first vector in columns is time-delay embedded to dimension E. See the Parameters table for parameter definitions.

The returned DataFrame has 3 columns. The first column is "LibSize", the second and third columns are Pearson correlation coefficients for "column: target" and "target: column" cross mapping.

libSizes specifies a string with "start stop increment" row values, i.e. "10 80 10" will evaluate library sizes from 10 to 80 in increments of 10.

If random is true, sample observations are radomly selected from the subset of each library size. If replacement is true, observation are selected with replacement. If seed=0, then a random seed is generated for the random number generator. Otherwise, seed is used to initialise the random number generator.

If random is false, sample is ignored and contiguous library rows up to the current library size are used.

Note: Cross mappings are performed between column: target, and target: column. The default is to do this in separate threads. Threading can be disabled in the makefile by removing -DCCM THREADED.

Note: The entire library size is used in the Simplex prediction at each library subset size.

```
// Overload 2: DataFrame reference provided
//-----
DataFrame<double> CCM( DataFrame< double > &dataFrameIn,
                                     = "./",
                   std::string pathOut
                   std::string predictFile = "",
                                         = 0,
                             \mathbf{E}
                   int
                             Тр
                   int
                                         = 0,
                   int
                             knn
                                         = 0,
                   int
                             tau
                                         = -1,
                   std::string columns
                                         = "",
                                         = "",
                   std::string target
                                         = "",
                   std::string libSizes
                   int
                             sample
                                         = 0,
                   bool
                             random
                                         = true,
                   bool
                            replacement = false,
                                        = 0,
                                                // seed=0: use RNG
                   unsigned seed
                   bool
                                        = true );
                             verbose
```

Multiview

Multiview embedding and forecasting of the input data file or DataFrame. See the Parameters table for parameter definitions.

Multiview() returns a MultiviewValues structure:

```
struct MultiviewValues {
    DataFrame< double > Combo_rho;
    DataFrame< double > Predictions;
    std::vector< std::string > Combo_rho_table;
};
```

The Combo_rho DataFrame has E+3 columns. The first E columns are the the column indices in the input data DataFrame embedding (not the input DataFrame) and are applied to multivariate Simplex predictions. The last three columns are "rho", "MAE", "RMSE" corresponding to the prediction Pearson correlation, maximum absolute error and root mean square error.

Combo_rho_table is a list of strings that include the multiview embedding column names in addition to the column indices and prediction statistics.

The Predictions DataFrame has 3 columns "Time", "Observations", "Predictions". nan values are inserted where there is no observation or prediction. If predictFile is provided the Predictions will be written to it in csy format.

lib and pred specify [start, stop] row indices of the input data for the library and predictions.

If multiview is not specified it is set to sqrt(C) where C is the number of E-dimensional combinations out of all available data vectors.

If knn is not specified, it is set equal to E+1.

```
// Overload 1: Explicit data file path/name
//----
MultiviewValues Multiview( std::string pathIn = "./",
                    std::string dataFile
                    std::string pathOut
                    std::string predictFile = "",
                    std::string lib
                                         = "",
                    std::string pred
                          E
                    int
                    int
                            Тp
                                         = 1,
                            knn
                    int
                                         = 0,
                             tau
                    int
                    std::string columns
                                         = "",
                    std::string target
                    int multiview = 0,
int exclusionRadius = 0,
bool verbose = false,
                    unsigned nThreads
                                         = 4);
//-----
// Overload 2: DataFrame provided
//-----
MultiviewValues Multiview( DataFrame< double >,
                    std::string pathOut
                    std::string predictFile
                    std::string lib
                    std::string pred
                                          = 0,
                    int
                          E
                           Тр
                                          = 1,
                    int
                    int
                            knn
                                         = 0,
                        tau
                    int
                    std::string columns
                                         = "",
                                          = "",
                    std::string target
                        multiview = 0,
exclusionRadius = 0,
verbose = false,
                    int
                    int
                    bool
                    unsigned nThreads = 4 );
```

EmbedDimension

Evaluate Simplex prediction skill for embedding dimensions from 1 to maxE (default 10). The returned DataFrame has columns "E" and "rho". See the Parameters table for parameter definitions.

Note: nThreads defines the number of worker threads for the 10 embeddings. The maximum number of threads is maxE.

```
//----
// Overload 1: Explicit data file path/name
//-----
DataFrame<double> EmbedDimension( std::string pathIn = "./data/",
                           std::string dataFile = "",
std::string pathOut = "./",
                           std::string predictFile = "",
                           std::string lib = "",
                           std::string pred
                               maxE
Tp
tau
                           int
                           int
                                     tau
                           int
                           std::string columns = "",
std::string target = "",
                           bool embedded bool verbose
                                              = false,
                                               = true,
                           unsigned nThreads
                                               = 4 );
//----
// Overload 2: DataFrame reference provided
//----
DataFrame<double> EmbedDimension( DataFrame< double > &dataFrameIn,
                           std::string pathOut = "./",
                           std::string predictFile = "",
                           std::string lib
                           std::string pred
                           int maxE int Tp int tau
                           std::string columns
std::string target
                                              = "",
                           bool embedded
bool verbose
unsigned nThreads
                                              = false,
                                               = true,
                                               = 4 );
```

PredictInterval

Evaluate Simplex prediction skill for forecast intervals from 1 to maxTp (default 10). The returned DataFrame has columns "Tp" and "rho". See the Parameters table for parameter definitions.

Note: nThreads defines the number of worker threads for the 10 prediction interval forecasts. The maximum number of threads is maxTp.

```
//-----
// Overload 1: Explicit data file path/name
//-----
DataFrame<double> PredictInterval( std::string pathIn
                             std::string dataFile = "",
std::string pathOut = "./",
                             std::string predictFile = "",
                             std::string lib
                             std::string pred
                             int maxTp
                             int
                                      E
                             int
                                       tau
                             std::string columns = "",
std::string target = "",
bool embedded = false,
bool verbose = true,
unsigned nThreads = 4 );
//----
// Overload 2: DataFrame reference provided
//----
DataFrame<double> PredictInterval( DataFrame< double > &dataFrameIn,
                             std::string pathOut = "./",
                             std::string predictFile = "",
                             std::string lib
                             std::string pred
                                    maxTp
                                                 = 10,
                             int
                             int
                                       E
                             int
                                       tau
                             std::string columns = "",
std::string target = "",
                             bool embedded
bool verbose
unsigned nThreads
                                                 = false,
                                                 = true,
                                                 = 4);
```

PredictNonlinear

Evaluate SMap prediction skill for localisation parameters θ specified in the string theta. Default values of theta are "0.01 0.1 0.3 0.5 0.75 1 1.5 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9". Default knn (0) sets knn to size of the library. Smaller values can be specified.

The returned DataFrame has columns "theta" and "rho". See the Parameters table for parameter definitions.

Note: nThreads defines the number of worker threads for the θ value forecasts.

```
// Overload 1: Explicit data file path/name
//----
DataFrame<double> PredictNonlinear( std::string pathIn = "./data/",
                             std::string dataFile = "",
                             std::string pathOut = "./",
                             std::string predictFile = "",
                             std::string lib = ""
                             std::string pred = "",
std::string theta = "",
                             int E
int Tp
int knn
int tau
                                                = -1,
                             std::string columns = "",
std::string target = "",
                             unsigned nThreads
                                                 = 4 );
// Overload 2: DataFrame reference provided
//-----
DataFrame<double> PredictNonlinear( DataFrame< double > &dataFrameIn,
                             std::string pathOut = "./",
                             std::string predictFile = "",
                             std::string lib = "",
                             std::string pred
                             std::string theta
                             int E
                             int
                                      Тр
                             int
                                     knn
                                                = 0,
                                       tau
                                                 = -1,
                                               = "",
                             std::string columns
                             std::string target = "",
                             bool embedded = false,
bool verbose = true,
                             unsigned nThreads
                                                 = 4 );
```

ComputeError

Compute Pearson correlation coefficient, maximum absolute error (MAE) and root mean square error (RMSE) between two vectors.

ComputeError() returns a VectorError struct:

Application Notes

All data input files are assumed to be in csv format. The files are assumed to have a single line header with column names. If column names are not detected in the header line, then column names are created as V1, V2...

It is assumed that the first column of the csv file is a vector of times or time indices for each observation (row). All subsequent columns are expected to be numeric. However, a DataFrame can be created with the noTime = true parameter to read in numeric data with no time in the first column. Such data frames should not be passed to prediction functions.

SMap() should be called with DataFrame that have columns explicitly corresponding to dimensions E. This means that if a multivariate data set is used, it should Not be called with an embedding from Embed() since Embed() will add lagged coordinates for each variable. These extra columns will then not correspond to the intended dimensions in the matrix inversion and prediction reconstruction. In this case, use the embedded parameter set to true so that the columns selected correspond to the proper dimension.

See etc/Notes for details regarding the building an application (etc/Test.cc) on Windows.

See etc/Notes for an explanation of differences between Simplex() and CCM() default embeddings, and the effect this has on predictions.

Example Application

This application is assumed to be located in the etc/ directory. Otherwise, adust the -I and -L compiler flags and the pathin argument accordingly. The file etc/Test.cc shows sample invocations for several API functions.

```
// g++ TestApp.cc -o TestApp -std=c++11 -g -I../src -L../lib -lstdc++ -lEDM -llapack
#include "Common.h"
int main( int argc, char *argv[] ) {
   try {
       //-----
       // embedded=false : Simplex embeds data file columns to E=3
       //-----
       DataFrame<double> dataFrame =
                   "./data/", // pathIn
"block_3sp.csv", // dataFile
          Simplex( "../data/",
                                    // pathOut
                   "Block3sp_E3.csv", // predictFile
                                     // lib
                   "1 100",
                   "101 195",
                                     // pred
                                     // E
                    3,
                                     // Tp
                    1,
                                     // knn
                    Ο,
                                     // tau
                    -1,
                   "x t",
                                     // target
                   false,
                                     // embedded
                   false,
                                     // const predict
                   true );
                                     // verbose
       dataFrame.MaxRowPrint() = 12; // Set number of rows to print
       std::cout << dataFrame;</pre>
       VectorError ve = ComputeError(
          dataFrame.VectorColumnName( "Observations" ),
          dataFrame.VectorColumnName( "Predictions" ) );
       std::cout << "rho " << ve.rho << " RMSE " << ve.RMSE
                << " MAE " << ve.MAE << std::endl << std::endl;
   catch ( const std::exception& e ) {
     std::cout << "Exception caught in main:\n";</pre>
     std::cout << e.what() << std::endl;</pre>
     return -1;
   catch (...) {
     std::cout << "Unknown exception caught in main.\n";</pre>
     return -1;
   std::cout << "Normal termination.\n";</pre>
   return 0;
}
```

Code Notes

- 1) The OSX XCode compiler/linker seems to be incompatible with the C++11 standard implementation allowing template classes to be distributed into declarations (.h) and implementation (.cc). To support OSX, DataFrame.h contains both declarations and implementations. See: etc/libstdc++_Notes.txt.
- 2) The code relies heavily on class and data containers without explicit heap allocation. This facilitates garbage collection. However, using copy-on-return for large data objects is likely a performance issue. If the code encounters massive data objects/large problems, this may warrant investigation.
- 3) SMap uses the LAPACK (http://www.netlib.org/lapack/explore-html/index.html) routine dgelss() to solve the local linear maps by singular value decomposition.

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