## Key Parameters' Posterior Sampling Time Analysis

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## Portions of Recorded Gibbs Sampler Time for 10 Key Parameters

We first display the first 50 kept post-burn-in MCMC iterations' posterior sampling time (in milliseconds) for 10 key Gibbs sampler steps corresponding to our 4 methods, i.e., fullGPfixedL, NNGPsequenFixedL, and NNGPsequenVaryLj.

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wd <- paste(projDirec, "simu/mainScalabilityVerificationSimu/m1600T30K5", sep = "/")
setwd(wd)
load("GibbsStepTimeFixedLfullGP.RData"); load("GibbsStepTimeFixedLblock.RData")
load("GibbsStepTimeFixedLsequen.RData"); load("GibbsStepTimeVaryLjSequen.RData")
head(GibbsStepTimeFixedLfullGP, 50)</pre>
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head(GibbsStepTimeFixedLblock, 50)

##		z	хi	theta	delta	alpha	kappa	rho	eta	upsilon	psi
##	[1,]	582	104	18	3	2139	20	91	23	2	2
##	[2,]	589	101	18	3	1972	21	97	23	3	3
##	[3,]	585	101	18	3	2169	21	92	22	2	2
##	[4,]	583	100	18	3	2204	20	91	22	2	2
##	[5,]	706	101	18	3	1995	20	95	22	3	2
##	[6,]	560	103	18	3	2140	21	93	23	3	3
##	[7,]	575	101	18	3	1964	20	93	23	3	3
##	[8,]	574	100	18	3	2105	20	92	22	2	2
##	[9,]	571	101	18	3	2121	20	94	23	3	3
##	[10,]	581	101	18	3	2056	20	97	22	2	2
##	[11,]	583		18	3	2041	20	94	22	2	2
##	[12,]		100	18	3	1982	21	97	23	2	3
##	[13,]	547	105	18	3	2196	21	94	22	2	2
##	[14,]		101	18	3	2033	20	95	23	3	3
##	[15,]		105	18	3	2025	20	89	21	2	2
##	[16,]		101	18	3	1955	20	93	22	2	2
##	[17,]	581	101	18	3	2124	20	95	23	3	3
##	[18,]		101	18	3	2097	20	92	22	3	2
##	[19,]	574		18	3	2168	21	96	24	3	3
##	[20,]		104	19	3	2238	20	92	22	2	2
##	[21,]	553	101	18	3	1956	20	96	23	3	2
##	[22,]	588	103	18	3	1976	20	98	23	2	2
##	[23,]		102	19	3	2077	20	94	23	2	2
##	[24,]		100	18	3	2236	20	96	23	2	2
##	[25,]	587	101	18	3	2217	20	94	23	2	3
##	[26,]	588	101	18	3	2224	20	103	22	2	2
##	[27,]	585	103	18	3	2018	21	101	23	2	3
##	[28,]		100	17	3	2020	20	89	21	2	2
##	[29,]	561	103	18	3	2149	20	91	23	2	2
##	[30,]	578	100	18	3	2158	20	95	22	2	2
##	[31,]	585	101	17	3	2067	20	95	23	2	2
##	[32,]	587	105	18	3	2234	21	93	23	3	3

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head(GibbsStepTimeFixedLsequen, 50)

##		z	хi	theta	delta	alpha	kappa	rho	eta	upsilon	psi
##	[1,]	560	98	18	3	355	21	101	23	2	2
##	[2,]	530	101	18	3	354	20	99	21	2	2
##	[3,]	555	97	18	3	364	20	99	22	2	2
##	[4,]	563	98	18	3	354	20	100	22	2	2
##	[5,]	573	101	18	3	355	20	100	21	2	2
##	[6,]	559	100	18	3	354	21	102	22	2	2
##	[7,]	556	98	18	3	354	21	101	23	3	3
##	[8,]	561	96	17	3	362	20	98	23	2	2
##	[9,]	558	98	18	3	355	21	102	22	2	2
##	[10,]	533	102	18	3	353	22	100	23	2	2
##	[11,]	563	99	18	3	355	21	101	23	3	2
##	[12,]	558	97	17	3	354	20	99	22	2	2
##	[13,]	566	97	17	3	363	21	101	23	3	2
##	[14,]	563	98	18	3	355	20	102	23	3	3
##	[15,]	562	102	18	3	354	21	99	23	2	2
##	[16,]	561	98	17	3	353	21	102	22	3	3
##	[17,]	685	99	18	3	352	21	101	22	2	2
##	[18,]	540	98	18	3	362	20	103	22	2	2
##	[19,]	570	99	18	3	355	21	102	22	2	2
##	[20,]	565	98	18	3	354	21	110	23	3	3
##	[21,]	568	98	18	4	354	20	106	23	2	2
##	[22,]	567	97	17	3	355	20	103	22	3	2
##	[23,]	569	99	19	4	357	20	98	22	3	2
##	[24,]	574	98	18	3	355	21	101	22	2	2
##	[25,]	537	98	18	3	356	20	100	22	2	2
##	[26,]	569	102	18	3	355	21	99	23	3	3
##	[27,]	568	97	17	3	354	20	103	22	3	3
##	[28,]	574	99	18	3	354	21	101	23	3	3
##	[29,]	567	98	18	3	352	20	99	22	2	2
##	[30,]	564	100	18	3	353	20	101	22	3	2
##	[31,]	575	98	18	3	353	21	100	22	2	2
##	[32,]	749	102	18	3	355	21	102	22	3	2
##	[33,]	547	97	17	3	353	20	99	22	2	2

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head(GibbsStepTimeVaryLjSequen, 50)

##		u	хi	theta	delta	alpha	kappa	rho	eta	upsilon	psi
##	[1,]	2	16	15	2	579	12	90	24	3	2
##	[2,]	1	17	14	1	573	12	92	23	3	3
##	[3,]	1	17	15	2	578	12	93	22	2	2
##	[4,]	2	17	15	2	585	12	93	22	3	3
##	[5,]	1	17	14	2	578	12	91	21	2	2
##	[6,]	1	17	15	2	595	13	94	22	3	2
##	[7,]	2	17	16	2	542	12	95	23	3	3
##	[8,]	2	17	16	2	580	12	99	22	3	2
##	[9,]	2	20	16	2	578	12	92	22	2	2
##	[10,]	2	18	16	3	586	12	86	22	3	2
##	[11,]	1	19	14	1	567	12	92	21	2	2
##	[12,]	2	18	15	2	581	12	92	22	3	2
##	[13,]	1	17	15	2	583	12	91	23	3	3
##	[14,]	1	17	15	2	704	12	91	21	2	2
##	[15,]	1	17	15	2	553	13	99	23	3	3
##	[16,]	1	17	15	2	574	12	94	22	2	2
##	[17,]	1	17	16	2	572	12	98	23	3	2
##	[18,]	2	20	17	2	608	14	102	23	3	3
##	[19,]	2	19	16	2	619	14	96	23	3	3
##	[20,]	1	17	15	2	573	12	89	22	2	2
##	[21,]	2	18	16	2	578	12	87	22	2	2
##	[22,]	1	16	14	2	695	13	95	23	3	3
##	[23,]	1	16	15	2	542	12	91	22	2	2
##	[24,]	1	17	14	1	573	12	96	23	3	3
##	[25,]	1	19	16	2	570	12	88	22	2	2
##	[26,]	1	17	14	1	571	12	95	22	2	3
##	[27,]	1	17	15	1	571	13	94	22	3	2
##	[28,]	1	17	14	2	570	13	93	22	3	3
##	[29,]	1	17	15	2	566	12	85	21	2	2
##	[30,]	1	17	15	2	704	12	93	23	3	3
##	[31,]	1	17	14	1	532	13	91	22	3	2
##	[32,]	2	18	15	2	570	12	93	22	2	2
##	[33,]	1	17	15	2	565	13	93	23	3	3
##	[34,]	2	17	15	2	568	12	90	22	2	2

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```

As expected, there aren't any significant differences between our 4 methods regarding posterior sampling time for the 3 temporal parameters  $\psi$ ,  $\Upsilon$ , and  $\eta_t$ 's.

## Posterior Sampling Time Summary Statistics

We then present vital posterior sampling time summary statistics for the 7 spatial-related parameters  $(z_{jl_j}^o(s_i)$ 's or  $u_j^o(s_i)$ 's,  $\xi_j^o(s_i)$ 's,  $\theta_{jl_j}$ 's,  $\delta_{1:k}$ ,  $\rho$ ,  $\kappa$ , and  $\alpha_{jl_j}^o(s_i)$ 's) to showcase the manifest scalability improvements brought about by our 3 novelties, i.e., slice sampling, spatial NNGP, and sequential updates.

```
apply(GibbsStepTimeFixedLfullGP[,1:7], 2, summary)
##
                          хi
                              theta
                                      delta
                                                alpha
                                                         kappa
                                                                    rho
                  z
## Min.
           546.0000
                     97.0000 17.000
                                     2.0000 2175.000 305.0000 1325.000
## 1st Qu. 591.0000 100.0000 19.000
                                     3.0000 2267.000 312.0000 1402.000
           599.0000 101.0000 32.000
                                     3.0000 2339.000 316.0000 1455.000
           604.8164 101.5026 26.311
                                     3.2974 2358.661 316.5146 1477.033
## 3rd Qu. 607.0000 102.0000 34.000
                                     4.0000 2430.000 319.0000 1533.000
           789.0000 253.0000 45.000 13.0000 2940.000 356.0000 2191.000
## Max.
apply(GibbsStepTimeFixedLblock[,1:7], 2, summary)
##
                         xi theta delta
                                                                rho
                 z
                                              alpha kappa
## Min.
           515.000
                    95.0000 15.000 2.0000 1831.000 18.000
                                                            81.0000
                    99.0000 18.000 3.0000 1976.000 20.000
## 1st Qu. 565.000
           574.000 100.0000 18.000 3.0000 2063.000 20.000
## Mean
           582.528 100.3484 18.127 3.2024 2083.491 20.362
                                                            93.8578
  3rd Qu. 591.000 102.0000 19.000 3.0000 2171.000 21.000
           775.000 238.0000 21.000 4.0000 2690.000 26.000 117.0000
## Max.
apply(GibbsStepTimeFixedLsequen[,1:7], 2, summary)
##
                          хi
                               theta delta
                                                alpha
                                                        kappa
                                                                   rho
                  z
           515.0000
                     94.0000 16.0000 2.0000 344.0000 19.0000
## Min.
                                                               86.0000
## 1st Qu. 561.0000
                     97.0000 17.0000 3.0000 353.0000 20.0000
                     98.0000 18.0000 3.0000 353.0000 21.0000 101.0000
## Median
           569.0000
           574.3044
                     98.4202 17.8028 3.0554 353.8104 20.5866 101.1084
## Mean
## 3rd Qu. 577.0000
                     99.0000 18.0000 3.0000 355.0000 21.0000 103.0000
## Max.
           755.0000 235.0000 34.0000 5.0000 370.0000 28.0000 120.0000
```

## apply(GibbsStepTimeVaryLjSequen[,1:7], 2, summary)

```
##
                              theta delta
                        хi
                                             alpha
                                                                 rho
                u
                                                      kappa
## Min.
           1.0000
                   16.0000 13.0000 1.000 532.0000 11.0000
                                                             80.0000
## 1st Qu. 1.0000
                   17.0000 15.0000 2.000 591.0000 12.0000
                                                             94,0000
           2.0000
                   17.0000 16.0000 2.000 599.0000 12.0000
                                                             95.0000
## Mean
           1.5622
                   17.5796 15.6692 2.307 604.7246 12.4996
                                                             95.6168
  3rd Qu. 2.0000
                   18.0000 16.0000 3.000 608.0000 13.0000
                                                             97.0000
           5.0000 155.0000 30.0000 4.000 780.0000 17.0000 114.0000
## Max.
```

The results correspond well to what we have deduced in Appendix H of our manuscript.

- Compared to their fullGPfixedL counterparts, NNGPblockFixedL's Gibbs sampler steps corresponding to  $\rho$  and  $\kappa$  are evidently accelerated by our spatial NNGP prior;
- The only Gibbs sampler step time that should clearly differ between NNGPblockFixedL and NNGPsequenFixedL is the step updating all  $\alpha_{jl_j}^o(s_i)$ 's, which result from whether we adopt our sequential updating method or not. Since m=1600 here is big, NNGPsequenFixedL is a few times faster than NNGPblockFixedL for the posterior sampling step corresponding to  $\alpha_{jl_j}^o(s_i)$ 's;
- Thanks to our slice sampling approach, NNGPsequenVaryLj's Gibbs sampler steps for  $u_j^o(s_i)$ 's and  $\xi_j^o(s_i)$ 's are significantly faster than NNGPsequenFixedL's Gibbs sampler steps for  $z_{jl_j}^o(s_i)$ 's and  $\xi_j^o(s_i)$ 's. It turns out that NNGPsequenVaryLj's Gibbs sampler step for  $\alpha_{jl_j}^o(s_i)$ 's is slower than its NNGPsequenFixedL counterpart, indicating that inefficiencies caused by case discussion, calculating all required upper or lower bounds, and rejection sampling outweigh acceleration brought about by slice sampling's ensured non-increasing posterior samples for  $L_j$ 's through the MCMC iterations.

We finally calculate standard deviations for the 7 spatial-related parameters' posterior sampling time across all kept post-burn-in MCMC iterations.

```
round(apply(GibbsStepTimeFixedLfullGP[,1:7], 2, sd), 5)
                                                 alpha
                                                                         rho
                            theta
                                       delta
                                                            kappa
    34.87194
               3.99530
                          7.52383
                                     0.63074 107.25374
                                                          6.07160
                                                                   95.92855
round(apply(GibbsStepTimeFixedLblock[,1:7], 2, sd), 5)
##
           z
                     хi
                            theta
                                       delta
                                                 alpha
                                                            kappa
                                                                         rho
    36.15967
               3.63043
                          0.83774
                                     0.41069 137.17129
                                                          0.81406
                                                                     4.73241
##
round(apply(GibbsStepTimeFixedLsequen[,1:7], 2, sd), 5)
##
                                   delta
                                                                 rho
          z
                   хi
                         theta
                                            alpha
                                                      kappa
                      1.03079
                                0.23736
                                         3.07342
                                                   0.77086
                                                             3.63396
round(apply(GibbsStepTimeVaryLjSequen[,1:7], 2, sd), 5)
                                                                 rho
##
          u
                   хi
                                   delta
                                            alpha
                                                      kappa
##
    0.56903
             2.93015
                       0.76960
                                0.56534 34.07729
                                                   0.62584
                                                             3.83944
```