

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`, `NNGPblockFixedL`, `NNGPsequenFixedL`, and `NNGPsequenVaryLj`.

```
wd <- paste(projDirec, "simu/mainScalabilityVerificationSimu/m3600T100K5", sep = "/")
setwd(wd)
load("GibbsStepTimeFixedLfullGP.RData"); load("GibbsStepTimeFixedLblock.RData")
load("GibbsStepTimeFixedLsequen.RData"); load("GibbsStepTimeVaryLjSequen.RData")
head(GibbsStepTimeFixedLfullGP, 50)
```

##		z	xi	theta	delta	alpha	kappa	rho	eta	upsilon	psi
##	[1,]	3251	682	757	57	24175	2852	14345	800	55	57
##	[2,]	3221	675	762	58	24937	2863	17721	792	55	56
##	[3,]	3204	683	768	57	25752	2949	14249	847	55	57
##	[4,]	3196	683	771	57	24411	2917	17609	800	55	57
##	[5,]	3173	698	756	56	25320	2857	14176	815	55	57
##	[6,]	3183	691	754	57	24888	2898	17174	807	55	56
##	[7,]	3237	679	758	57	24866	2782	17641	823	54	57
##	[8,]	3241	688	772	57	25973	2947	17814	817	55	56
##	[9,]	3229	692	752	57	24819	2889	18083	801	54	56
##	[10,]	3285	692	777	58	25417	2760	18350	817	54	56
##	[11,]	3292	684	760	58	24744	2913	13878	827	55	57
##	[12,]	3273	701	745	57	24530	2756	14348	816	55	56
##	[13,]	3272	693	767	58	25036	2662	18338	809	55	57
##	[14,]	3222	684	765	57	25488	2895	19373	838	55	57
##	[15,]	3234	681	753	58	24469	2685	19014	818	55	57
##	[16,]	3234	683	757	58	25075	2739	13981	823	55	56
##	[17,]	3269	678	757	58	24779	2918	18505	814	54	56
##	[18,]	3263	679	743	58	25907	2909	18105	820	55	57
##	[19,]	3222	676	758	57	24662	2784	17868	806	55	57
##	[20,]	3279	697	772	58	25303	2922	15330	818	54	56
##	[21,]	3289	679	783	58	24682	2599	17275	830	55	56
##	[22,]	3247	681	787	57	25779	2887	17167	855	56	56
##	[23,]	3352	684	761	57	25049	2755	18769	828	55	57
##	[24,]	3275	682	792	59	25056	2700	18002	873	56	57
##	[25,]	3246	679	775	57	24419	2756	18896	840	56	57
##	[26,]	3281	685	773	57	24591	2719	17284	822	54	57
##	[27,]	3262	691	780	57	25298	2862	17160	828	55	57
##	[28,]	3260	678	762	56	26654	2925	19818	845	57	59
##	[29,]	3237	684	770	58	24548	2657	14235	827	57	58
##	[30,]	3262	679	790	57	25017	2943	14715	817	55	56
##	[31,]	3247	679	774	57	25466	2950	18271	842	56	57

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## [32,] 3241 675 788 57 25974 2741 17772 830 56 58
## [33,] 3271 677 763 57 25674 2941 18537 812 55 57
## [34,] 3238 685 769 57 24335 2879 18136 832 56 59
## [35,] 3261 679 762 57 25346 2740 18213 826 56 57
## [36,] 3277 681 762 60 25651 2764 17736 817 55 59
## [37,] 3253 681 771 59 24829 2912 18499 822 56 58
## [38,] 3453 683 765 58 26493 2821 17982 830 55 57
## [39,] 3412 689 783 58 24283 2851 18255 827 55 58
## [40,] 3397 699 773 57 24676 2840 17509 819 57 58
## [41,] 3386 691 766 57 25973 2919 18823 829 55 57
## [42,] 3366 687 767 58 25848 2850 14591 822 55 57
## [43,] 3377 694 789 58 24913 2833 18838 840 57 57
## [44,] 3376 695 772 58 24803 2844 18160 811 54 56
## [45,] 3348 696 756 57 25216 2883 17961 810 54 57
## [46,] 3369 688 750 57 24927 2857 13949 832 57 59
## [47,] 3369 680 758 57 25894 2864 18320 817 53 55
## [48,] 3389 693 771 56 24489 2841 18274 825 54 56
## [49,] 3354 683 766 57 24891 2804 18052 812 53 56
## [50,] 3373 684 774 57 24667 2754 17790 819 55 56
```

```
head(GibbsStepTimeFixedLblock, 50)
```

```
##          z xi theta delta alpha kappa rho eta upsilon psi
## [1,] 2695 706 780 60 22436 172 894 844 58 60
## [2,] 2710 727 776 60 22328 175 906 846 59 60
## [3,] 2697 718 780 62 22487 170 870 815 56 58
## [4,] 2643 707 781 60 23223 166 875 839 57 59
## [5,] 2589 682 785 57 21809 165 848 833 55 57
## [6,] 2809 717 764 59 22087 169 870 799 56 58
## [7,] 2710 710 783 60 22449 175 884 833 58 60
## [8,] 2665 716 791 60 22498 176 897 845 58 60
## [9,] 2569 690 780 60 21914 165 860 810 57 59
## [10,] 2665 687 756 59 21450 166 862 822 56 58
## [11,] 2768 729 789 60 23070 167 860 801 56 58
## [12,] 2792 743 793 58 23029 171 898 859 58 59
## [13,] 2627 713 770 59 22999 170 883 844 57 58
## [14,] 2752 724 798 59 21432 167 875 855 58 59
## [15,] 2658 714 768 58 22053 171 891 836 57 59
## [16,] 2686 733 796 59 22276 168 876 812 57 58
## [17,] 2719 747 800 62 23244 172 900 846 58 60
## [18,] 2678 708 768 61 21962 171 861 800 55 57
## [19,] 2614 681 763 58 21604 173 873 822 57 60
## [20,] 2820 716 785 59 22090 168 872 809 57 59
## [21,] 2772 744 786 60 22250 172 870 808 58 60
## [22,] 2726 727 793 62 23179 175 881 841 57 59
## [23,] 2726 716 776 58 22662 174 907 826 57 59
## [24,] 2720 726 770 59 22245 178 861 810 57 59
## [25,] 2713 720 772 60 22390 174 901 874 59 60
## [26,] 2703 744 797 60 22418 171 892 831 58 60
## [27,] 2744 697 788 60 22950 169 863 809 56 57
## [28,] 2685 705 817 59 21800 165 864 829 58 60
## [29,] 2813 696 774 60 22278 169 875 832 57 60
## [30,] 2677 690 781 59 22126 173 901 843 57 58
## [31,] 2666 730 793 60 22229 169 885 815 57 60
## [32,] 2547 693 770 58 21985 164 885 820 59 58
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## [33,] 2666 698 780 58 21701 167 869 814 56 58
## [34,] 2744 732 798 60 23609 166 869 836 56 58
## [35,] 2698 726 778 59 23132 166 890 860 57 58
## [36,] 2677 735 780 59 22275 170 874 821 56 59
## [37,] 2615 705 762 57 21662 167 858 807 55 57
## [38,] 2691 703 770 58 21805 167 872 816 56 58
## [39,] 2713 704 756 59 22321 168 876 803 57 58
## [40,] 2727 726 777 60 22340 165 862 819 56 58
## [41,] 2617 716 767 59 22025 171 880 834 56 60
## [42,] 2754 703 792 60 22166 170 878 860 58 60
## [43,] 2700 711 788 60 22604 169 885 831 57 59
## [44,] 2675 740 788 59 22644 173 901 849 58 59
## [45,] 2732 745 810 60 22842 170 873 827 57 58
## [46,] 2735 693 777 58 22110 165 862 835 61 62
## [47,] 2664 702 764 58 21870 173 894 851 58 59
## [48,] 2616 713 782 59 22300 172 893 836 57 59
## [49,] 2709 726 786 60 22400 172 902 863 57 59
## [50,] 2680 710 817 60 21916 177 863 840 57 59
```

```
head(GibbsStepTimeFixedLsequen, 50)
```

```
##          z xi theta delta alpha kappa rho eta  upsi lon psi
## [1,] 2752 676 797 58 933 160 801 834 54 56
## [2,] 2679 678 797 57 951 164 809 849 55 57
## [3,] 2673 678 794 58 940 161 808 835 55 56
## [4,] 2763 692 794 58 938 164 804 846 55 57
## [5,] 2696 685 795 59 938 161 791 833 55 57
## [6,] 2671 687 801 59 943 165 814 852 55 57
## [7,] 2685 692 805 58 945 162 811 860 55 57
## [8,] 2709 688 796 58 941 163 817 840 55 56
## [9,] 2787 686 799 59 947 163 815 863 56 57
## [10,] 2716 680 803 57 940 164 808 846 57 57
## [11,] 2704 680 792 57 942 161 809 869 55 57
## [12,] 2837 676 812 58 938 163 803 842 56 57
## [13,] 2678 675 800 58 947 161 807 859 55 57
## [14,] 2623 683 798 57 946 163 811 852 56 59
## [15,] 2714 675 810 58 951 168 813 849 55 57
## [16,] 2682 673 789 59 941 162 812 849 55 58
## [17,] 2744 676 790 57 937 164 816 844 56 59
## [18,] 2716 681 808 58 947 164 814 850 56 58
## [19,] 2733 683 811 63 949 166 807 848 56 58
## [20,] 2829 683 785 58 944 164 802 847 55 57
## [21,] 2715 683 796 59 950 164 811 847 56 57
## [22,] 2638 686 815 59 940 164 824 844 56 57
## [23,] 2686 689 793 58 942 164 806 841 56 56
## [24,] 2689 678 805 58 946 163 806 856 55 58
## [25,] 2752 677 801 58 942 161 809 844 56 58
## [26,] 2639 680 761 56 938 160 803 822 54 57
## [27,] 2704 683 787 57 939 167 825 855 56 58
## [28,] 2787 680 791 57 939 161 817 835 58 60
## [29,] 2683 693 815 59 948 161 799 828 56 57
## [30,] 2581 683 765 59 938 162 812 828 56 57
## [31,] 2661 687 800 58 937 161 811 843 57 60
## [32,] 2643 675 801 58 945 164 816 846 56 58
## [33,] 2770 680 814 59 933 158 800 818 53 56
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## [34,] 2678 697 785 57 936 160 802 819 55 57
## [35,] 2663 680 807 57 937 163 805 835 53 55
## [36,] 2773 682 803 57 941 161 809 858 54 56
## [37,] 2655 685 814 57 946 160 805 854 55 57
## [38,] 2628 683 801 57 939 164 800 860 55 56
## [39,] 2688 677 767 58 939 161 805 829 54 57
## [40,] 2670 684 819 58 943 162 815 856 55 57
## [41,] 2783 682 786 63 949 162 802 817 56 55
## [42,] 2666 704 801 57 943 159 808 834 54 56
## [43,] 2655 675 782 56 935 158 789 830 53 55
## [44,] 2778 682 784 57 939 162 807 849 55 57
## [45,] 2670 681 819 58 937 165 811 834 55 57
## [46,] 2610 680 801 58 939 161 789 835 54 57
## [47,] 2691 681 782 57 943 160 814 838 54 56
## [48,] 2716 682 800 57 961 183 837 842 55 57
## [49,] 2744 680 800 58 938 162 805 824 54 56
## [50,] 2727 682 794 58 951 165 823 831 55 56
```

```
head(GibbsStepTimeVaryLjSequen, 50)
```

```
##      u xi theta delta alpha kappa rho eta  epsilon psi
## [1,] 57 100 777 55 2579 151 803 861 57 60
## [2,] 58 101 804 57 2421 147 799 855 58 59
## [3,] 58 103 814 57 2519 144 796 861 56 59
## [4,] 57 102 801 58 2414 146 798 859 57 59
## [5,] 56 97 786 56 2542 144 798 849 57 59
## [6,] 56 99 781 56 2357 144 799 852 56 59
## [7,] 58 100 800 59 2537 146 802 857 55 57
## [8,] 58 100 787 58 2456 143 789 844 56 59
## [9,] 55 97 802 56 2536 145 802 867 57 60
## [10,] 58 102 806 56 2381 143 779 814 54 56
## [11,] 57 96 769 57 2551 145 803 847 56 59
## [12,] 57 99 795 57 2390 141 792 839 56 59
## [13,] 57 100 788 56 2377 143 787 820 54 56
## [14,] 57 99 813 56 2438 145 806 858 57 59
## [15,] 57 100 801 56 2452 144 798 852 58 60
## [16,] 57 98 775 55 2385 144 801 862 56 58
## [17,] 57 99 807 57 2416 146 784 853 56 57
## [18,] 57 99 799 56 2417 143 802 863 57 59
## [19,] 56 100 791 56 2426 145 801 854 57 59
## [20,] 58 102 809 56 2397 143 793 843 56 57
## [21,] 58 104 786 57 2414 145 796 854 56 58
## [22,] 57 102 817 56 2448 149 806 878 57 59
## [23,] 57 98 783 56 2417 149 802 863 57 60
## [24,] 56 99 800 55 2412 146 791 856 56 58
## [25,] 56 98 798 56 2428 142 785 822 54 56
## [26,] 57 108 781 55 2392 139 791 846 55 57
## [27,] 56 99 789 56 2454 139 783 839 56 58
## [28,] 56 97 764 55 2425 141 786 836 56 57
## [29,] 55 95 774 54 2379 143 778 833 55 57
## [30,] 57 97 796 56 2399 142 767 833 54 56
## [31,] 56 100 788 56 2421 140 787 844 56 57
## [32,] 56 102 792 55 2447 142 788 820 56 57
## [33,] 57 95 787 55 2412 140 786 810 54 57
## [34,] 55 95 778 55 2400 141 780 817 57 57
```

```
## [35,] 56 97 796 56 2404 140 786 853 56 58
## [36,] 56 99 786 55 2405 143 787 834 55 56
## [37,] 56 97 801 56 2401 140 784 855 55 57
## [38,] 56 99 796 54 2402 141 790 839 55 57
## [39,] 55 93 780 55 2412 140 783 852 56 57
## [40,] 58 99 777 55 2392 141 795 848 55 57
## [41,] 56 105 800 57 2415 141 783 843 55 57
## [42,] 54 97 789 55 2403 144 793 832 55 57
## [43,] 55 96 792 55 2374 139 780 843 55 57
## [44,] 56 100 797 55 2383 143 784 820 54 55
## [45,] 57 99 791 56 2430 141 794 841 55 58
## [46,] 54 95 773 54 2378 143 785 831 55 57
## [47,] 56 97 786 55 2400 140 788 850 55 57
## [48,] 56 98 801 55 2433 141 785 825 54 55
## [49,] 55 100 789 55 2422 140 780 835 57 58
## [50,] 56 98 793 55 2412 140 792 849 56 57
```

As expected, there aren't any significant differences between our 4 methods regarding posterior sampling time for the 3 temporal parameters ψ , Υ , and η_t 's.

Posterior Sampling Time Summary Statistics

We then present vital posterior sampling time summary statistics for the 7 spatial-related parameters ($z_{jl_j}^o(\mathbf{s}_i)$'s or $u_j^o(\mathbf{s}_i)$'s, $\xi_j^o(\mathbf{s}_i)$'s, θ_{jl_j} 's, $\delta_{1:k}$, ρ , κ , and $\alpha_{jl_j}^o(\mathbf{s}_i)$'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)
```

```
##           z           xi      theta      delta      alpha      kappa      rho
## Min.      3004.000    661.000    735.000    55.0000    23299.00    2217.000    12856.00
## 1st Qu.    3314.000    688.000    800.000    58.0000    24641.25    2807.000    17131.50
## Median    4230.500    891.000    1007.000    70.0000    34192.50    3522.500    22529.50
## Mean      4460.977    909.047    1359.953    73.2364    35275.15    3607.779    24744.63
## 3rd Qu.    4943.000    1033.000    1842.000    82.0000    41689.25    4114.000    30622.25
## Max.      10498.000    1742.000    3607.000    185.0000    65573.00    6787.000    55795.00
```

```
apply(GibbsStepTimeFixedLblock[,1:7], 2, summary)
```

```
##           z           xi      theta      delta      alpha      kappa      rho
## Min.      2442.000    670.00    723.0000    55.0000    21068.00    158.0000    827.0000
## 1st Qu.    2621.000    700.00    768.0000    58.0000    21927.00    168.0000    869.0000
## Median    2674.000    713.00    780.0000    59.0000    22268.50    170.0000    879.0000
## Mean      2677.307    713.57    779.6124    59.2832    22316.23    170.1582    879.0884
## 3rd Qu.    2732.000    726.00    791.0000    60.0000    22644.00    172.0000    889.0000
## Max.      2987.000    873.00    856.0000    66.0000    24386.00    204.0000    973.0000
```

```
apply(GibbsStepTimeFixedLsequen[,1:7], 2, summary)
```

```
##           z           xi      theta      delta      alpha      kappa      rho
## Min.      2513.000    663.0000    737.0000    54.0000    927.0000    155.0000    771.0000
## 1st Qu.    2652.000    677.0000    778.0000    57.0000    938.0000    160.0000    798.0000
## Median    2681.000    681.0000    789.0000    57.0000    941.0000    161.0000    805.0000
## Mean      2687.017    681.1242    788.5526    57.5628    941.9378    162.2748    805.6914
## 3rd Qu.    2720.000    685.0000    799.0000    58.0000    945.0000    163.0000    812.0000
## Max.      2921.000    821.0000    875.0000    66.0000    973.0000    196.0000    877.0000
```

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

```
##           u           xi      theta      delta      alpha      kappa      rho
## Min.      52.0000    92.0000  742.0000  52.0000  2333.000  136.0000  754.0000
## 1st Qu.   55.0000    97.0000  777.0000  55.0000  2402.000  141.0000  782.0000
## Median   56.0000    99.0000  788.0000  55.0000  2418.000  142.0000  788.0000
## Mean     56.1756    99.2364  787.6832  55.5148  2442.089  142.3264  788.5346
## 3rd Qu.  57.0000   101.0000  797.0000  56.0000  2483.000  143.0000  794.0000
## Max.     67.0000   243.0000  854.0000  63.0000  2709.000  167.0000  852.0000
```

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 ρ and κ 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 $\alpha_{jl_j}^o(\mathbf{s}_i)$'s, which result from whether we adopt our **sequential updating method** or not. Since $m = 3600$ here is big, `NNGPsequenFixedL` is more than 20 times faster than `NNGPblockFixedL` for the posterior sampling step corresponding to $\alpha_{jl_j}^o(\mathbf{s}_i)$'s;
- Thanks to our **slice sampling approach**, `NNGPsequenVaryLj`'s Gibbs sampler steps for $u_j^o(\mathbf{s}_i)$'s and $\xi_j^o(\mathbf{s}_i)$'s are significantly faster than `NNGPsequenFixedL`'s Gibbs sampler steps for $z_{jl_j}^o(\mathbf{s}_i)$'s and $\xi_j^o(\mathbf{s}_i)$'s. It turns out that `NNGPsequenVaryLj`'s Gibbs sampler step for $\alpha_{jl_j}^o(\mathbf{s}_i)$'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)
```

```
##           z           xi      theta      delta      alpha      kappa
## 1385.28987  235.89833  684.80304   17.78304 11141.16179  947.57928
##           rho
## 9079.43828
```

```
round(apply(GibbsStepTimeFixedLblock[,1:7], 2, sd), 5)
```

```
##           z           xi      theta      delta      alpha      kappa      rho
## 81.33616  18.24969  17.06282   1.27284 535.56258   3.70004 15.47451
```

```
round(apply(GibbsStepTimeFixedLsequen[,1:7], 2, sd), 5)
```

```
##           z           xi      theta      delta      alpha      kappa      rho
## 54.95417  8.69054 16.23415   1.26838 5.92909 4.47505 12.09880
```

```
round(apply(GibbsStepTimeVaryLjSequen[,1:7], 2, sd), 5)
```

```
##           u           xi      theta      delta      alpha      kappa      rho
## 1.20559  5.48869 15.03434   1.13773 60.05514 3.13040 10.14898
```