

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/m900T50K5", 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,]	359	82	44	1	461	95	320	45	1	1
##	[2,]	390	83	44	1	462	94	322	44	1	1
##	[3,]	387	83	44	1	467	95	320	44	1	1
##	[4,]	388	82	44	1	461	94	320	44	1	1
##	[5,]	382	83	44	1	460	95	323	44	1	1
##	[6,]	384	82	45	1	462	95	322	45	1	1
##	[7,]	401	83	45	1	493	105	343	47	1	1
##	[8,]	378	85	43	1	465	94	324	45	1	1
##	[9,]	392	82	44	1	480	101	339	47	1	1
##	[10,]	405	84	47	1	485	94	318	45	1	1
##	[11,]	510	82	44	1	462	94	321	44	1	1
##	[12,]	356	83	44	1	464	96	322	43	1	1
##	[13,]	375	87	44	1	466	96	324	44	1	1
##	[14,]	379	83	44	1	459	95	327	43	1	1
##	[15,]	378	82	43	1	465	95	321	44	1	1
##	[16,]	382	83	44	1	470	95	321	45	1	1
##	[17,]	402	83	44	1	467	95	322	43	1	1
##	[18,]	391	84	44	1	470	96	321	46	1	1
##	[19,]	388	83	44	1	467	94	318	44	1	1
##	[20,]	383	83	43	1	467	95	322	45	1	1
##	[21,]	389	82	44	1	466	95	325	45	1	1
##	[22,]	385	83	44	1	465	94	320	45	1	1
##	[23,]	492	83	44	1	463	95	323	46	1	1
##	[24,]	365	83	44	1	473	95	323	45	1	1
##	[25,]	395	82	44	1	472	104	325	44	1	1
##	[26,]	389	83	44	1	466	94	320	43	1	1
##	[27,]	392	82	44	1	464	95	322	45	1	1
##	[28,]	393	83	43	1	463	95	320	44	1	1
##	[29,]	392	83	44	1	473	95	326	44	1	1
##	[30,]	388	83	44	1	463	95	323	44	1	1
##	[31,]	392	83	45	1	469	96	370	44	1	1

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## [32,] 396 83 44 1 473 95 323 44 1 1
## [33,] 391 82 43 1 477 102 332 46 1 1
## [34,] 382 83 44 1 469 98 326 45 1 1
## [35,] 364 83 44 1 477 95 325 46 1 1
## [36,] 372 82 45 1 471 95 319 46 1 1
## [37,] 391 83 44 1 466 95 323 47 1 1
## [38,] 394 83 44 1 481 100 339 47 1 1
## [39,] 393 83 43 1 467 96 323 44 1 1
## [40,] 389 81 43 1 477 96 321 44 1 1
## [41,] 394 82 43 1 466 94 323 44 1 1
## [42,] 386 84 44 1 471 97 370 45 1 1
## [43,] 397 87 45 1 467 97 321 43 1 1
## [44,] 404 83 43 1 469 95 328 44 1 1
## [45,] 391 82 43 1 462 94 319 42 1 1
## [46,] 506 83 44 1 466 95 317 43 1 1
## [47,] 369 82 44 1 464 94 319 44 1 1
## [48,] 383 83 44 1 470 95 323 44 1 1
## [49,] 383 83 48 1 468 97 324 45 1 1
## [50,] 385 83 45 1 473 97 326 45 1 1
```

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

```
##          z xi theta delta alpha kappa rho eta  upsilon psi
## [1,] 586 85 44 1 429 9 28 45 1 1
## [2,] 560 85 44 1 424 9 30 45 1 1
## [3,] 596 85 47 1 420 8 28 45 1 1
## [4,] 569 84 45 1 422 8 29 45 1 1
## [5,] 583 89 45 1 427 9 28 45 1 1
## [6,] 587 84 44 1 433 9 27 45 1 1
## [7,] 571 86 46 1 424 9 29 47 1 1
## [8,] 571 87 47 1 420 8 27 45 1 1
## [9,] 574 85 45 1 427 8 28 46 1 1
## [10,] 571 85 45 1 424 8 28 44 1 1
## [11,] 587 85 47 1 426 9 28 45 1 1
## [12,] 568 85 45 1 425 9 30 46 1 1
## [13,] 573 88 45 1 429 8 27 45 1 1
## [14,] 575 84 45 1 420 9 28 46 1 1
## [15,] 582 85 45 1 428 8 28 46 1 1
## [16,] 580 86 45 1 422 9 30 45 1 1
## [17,] 568 85 45 1 427 9 30 45 1 1
## [18,] 571 85 45 1 425 8 28 46 1 1
## [19,] 688 87 43 1 434 9 29 46 1 1
## [20,] 577 85 45 1 428 8 32 45 1 1
## [21,] 560 87 43 1 429 8 28 44 1 1
## [22,] 565 84 44 1 425 8 29 44 1 1
## [23,] 570 85 44 1 426 8 27 43 1 1
## [24,] 582 85 45 1 430 9 27 45 1 1
## [25,] 564 87 46 1 430 9 29 46 1 1
## [26,] 570 85 45 1 427 9 30 46 1 1
## [27,] 692 84 44 1 442 9 26 45 1 1
## [28,] 579 85 46 1 418 8 28 45 1 1
## [29,] 581 85 45 1 422 9 29 46 1 1
## [30,] 578 84 44 1 423 8 28 45 1 1
## [31,] 560 84 44 1 428 8 27 45 1 1
## [32,] 575 85 45 1 439 8 30 45 1 1
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## [33,] 563 85 44 1 421 8 28 45 1 1
## [34,] 572 90 48 1 423 8 28 46 1 1
## [35,] 701 84 45 1 427 8 25 44 1 1
## [36,] 578 85 45 1 423 8 28 45 1 1
## [37,] 578 86 45 1 428 9 27 45 1 1
## [38,] 577 85 44 1 427 9 28 45 1 1
## [39,] 573 85 45 1 418 8 27 45 1 1
## [40,] 577 83 45 1 427 8 28 46 1 1
## [41,] 568 87 45 1 419 9 27 44 1 1
## [42,] 582 85 45 1 425 9 29 45 1 1
## [43,] 573 84 44 1 427 9 31 45 1 1
## [44,] 564 85 45 1 420 9 30 45 1 1
## [45,] 573 84 46 1 428 8 27 45 1 1
## [46,] 571 85 44 1 429 8 27 45 1 1
## [47,] 569 88 44 1 423 8 28 44 1 1
## [48,] 580 84 44 1 426 8 27 45 1 1
## [49,] 567 85 44 1 427 9 28 45 1 1
## [50,] 574 85 45 1 428 8 27 44 1 1
```

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

```
##      z xi theta delta alpha kappa rho eta  epsilon psi
## [1,] 530 85 44 1 197 9 32 45 1 1
## [2,] 537 85 45 1 198 9 30 44 1 1
## [3,] 536 83 44 1 199 9 33 45 1 1
## [4,] 523 85 45 1 205 9 30 45 1 1
## [5,] 533 84 45 1 199 9 32 45 1 1
## [6,] 533 84 44 1 199 9 36 46 1 1
## [7,] 529 83 44 1 197 9 33 45 1 1
## [8,] 530 85 44 1 199 9 32 46 1 1
## [9,] 533 84 44 1 198 9 31 46 1 1
## [10,] 659 84 45 1 199 9 31 44 1 1
## [11,] 533 85 44 1 197 9 35 45 1 1
## [12,] 529 85 44 1 200 9 35 46 1 1
## [13,] 533 84 44 1 199 9 31 46 1 1
## [14,] 533 88 45 1 198 9 32 45 1 1
## [15,] 523 87 45 1 198 9 32 45 1 1
## [16,] 531 84 45 1 198 9 32 45 1 1
## [17,] 533 84 45 1 199 9 33 46 1 1
## [18,] 531 85 44 1 198 9 33 45 1 1
## [19,] 530 86 45 1 198 9 29 45 1 1
## [20,] 530 84 45 1 198 8 30 46 1 1
## [21,] 530 87 44 1 199 9 33 46 1 1
## [22,] 520 87 45 1 198 9 32 48 1 1
## [23,] 532 88 48 1 196 9 31 45 1 1
## [24,] 527 84 44 1 198 9 32 46 1 1
## [25,] 533 84 44 1 200 9 31 45 1 1
## [26,] 544 84 45 1 201 9 32 46 1 1
## [27,] 671 84 44 1 198 9 31 44 1 1
## [28,] 559 85 47 1 199 10 33 45 1 1
## [29,] 536 84 44 1 207 9 32 47 1 1
## [30,] 543 83 45 1 198 9 33 45 1 1
## [31,] 552 85 45 1 197 9 33 47 1 1
## [32,] 531 85 45 1 196 9 31 44 1 1
## [33,] 525 82 44 1 206 9 33 44 1 1
```

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## [34,] 517 83 43 1 198 9 32 45 1 1
## [35,] 521 83 45 1 197 9 31 44 1 1
## [36,] 525 86 44 1 196 9 32 45 1 1
## [37,] 520 83 44 1 197 9 31 44 1 1
## [38,] 533 83 44 1 197 9 32 45 1 1
## [39,] 516 83 43 1 199 9 33 45 1 1
## [40,] 524 84 44 1 200 9 30 43 1 1
## [41,] 549 85 44 1 199 9 32 45 1 1
## [42,] 525 84 43 1 200 9 32 42 1 1
## [43,] 529 86 44 1 197 9 31 45 1 1
## [44,] 660 85 44 1 199 9 32 45 1 1
## [45,] 522 84 44 1 198 9 31 44 1 1
## [46,] 529 85 44 1 199 9 32 45 1 1
## [47,] 515 84 45 1 196 9 31 44 1 1
## [48,] 540 88 44 1 199 9 31 45 1 1
## [49,] 544 84 45 1 199 9 32 44 1 1
## [50,] 525 83 44 1 199 9 31 44 1 1
```

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

```
##      u xi theta delta alpha kappa rho eta  epsilon psi
## [1,] 0 13 43 0 391 4 25 43 1 1
## [2,] 0 12 40 0 382 4 26 43 1 1
## [3,] 0 12 41 1 383 4 25 43 1 1
## [4,] 0 12 40 1 380 4 25 42 1 1
## [5,] 0 14 42 1 390 4 26 46 1 1
## [6,] 0 12 41 1 502 4 25 42 1 1
## [7,] 0 12 40 0 379 4 25 42 1 1
## [8,] 0 12 42 1 385 4 24 41 0 1
## [9,] 0 12 40 0 385 4 25 42 1 1
## [10,] 0 12 40 0 385 4 25 42 1 1
## [11,] 0 12 41 0 379 4 25 42 1 1
## [12,] 0 12 40 0 375 4 26 44 1 1
## [13,] 0 12 42 1 390 4 25 43 1 1
## [14,] 0 12 41 1 390 4 26 43 1 1
## [15,] 0 12 41 0 379 4 26 43 1 1
## [16,] 0 12 42 1 384 4 25 42 0 1
## [17,] 0 13 42 1 386 4 25 42 1 1
## [18,] 0 12 39 0 516 4 28 44 1 1
## [19,] 0 12 41 0 384 4 25 44 1 1
## [20,] 0 14 41 0 381 4 25 43 1 1
## [21,] 0 12 42 1 388 4 26 43 1 1
## [22,] 0 12 42 0 377 4 24 42 1 0
## [23,] 0 12 43 1 385 4 25 43 1 1
## [24,] 0 12 42 1 379 4 25 42 1 1
## [25,] 0 12 40 0 378 4 25 42 0 0
## [26,] 0 12 42 1 386 4 25 44 1 1
## [27,] 0 12 42 1 402 5 27 47 1 1
## [28,] 0 13 41 0 406 4 25 42 1 1
## [29,] 0 14 41 1 384 4 25 41 0 0
## [30,] 0 12 41 1 382 4 26 42 1 1
## [31,] 0 11 42 1 383 4 26 43 1 1
## [32,] 0 12 44 1 384 4 25 43 1 1
## [33,] 0 11 40 0 380 4 25 42 1 1
## [34,] 0 12 40 1 382 4 24 44 1 1
```

```
## [35,] 0 11 41 1 383 4 26 41 1 0
## [36,] 0 12 41 1 385 4 26 44 1 1
## [37,] 0 12 41 0 384 4 25 44 1 1
## [38,] 0 12 42 1 377 4 23 43 0 0
## [39,] 0 12 44 1 391 4 27 44 1 1
## [40,] 0 12 42 0 388 4 26 46 1 1
## [41,] 0 12 41 0 380 4 26 43 1 1
## [42,] 0 12 41 0 397 5 24 47 1 1
## [43,] 0 12 43 1 385 4 28 46 1 1
## [44,] 0 12 40 0 382 4 27 44 1 1
## [45,] 0 12 42 1 383 4 26 43 1 1
## [46,] 0 12 42 0 378 4 24 41 0 0
## [47,] 0 12 42 1 391 4 26 44 1 1
## [48,] 0 12 41 1 386 4 25 43 1 1
## [49,] 0 12 41 1 384 4 26 44 1 1
## [50,] 0 12 42 1 381 4 23 41 1 1
```

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.    347.000  81.0000 41.0000 1.000 450.0000  93.0000 309.0000
## 1st Qu. 379.000  82.0000 43.0000 1.000 462.0000  94.0000 319.0000
## Median 385.000  82.0000 44.0000 1.000 465.0000  95.0000 322.0000
## Mean   389.276  82.7366 43.8958 1.008 466.1494  95.9408 323.9814
## 3rd Qu. 392.000  83.0000 44.0000 1.000 469.0000  97.0000 326.0000
## Max.   562.000 217.0000 56.0000 3.000 499.0000 113.0000 391.0000
```

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

```
##           z           xi  theta delta    alpha    kappa    rho
## Min.    480.00  81.0000 41.000 1.0000 410.0000  8.000 25.0000
## 1st Qu. 501.75  83.0000 44.000 1.0000 419.0000  8.000 27.0000
## Median 514.00  84.0000 44.000 1.0000 422.0000  8.000 28.0000
## Mean   533.31  84.2434 44.263 1.0006 423.1224  8.467 28.1102
## 3rd Qu. 563.00  85.0000 45.000 1.0000 426.0000  9.000 29.0000
## Max.   757.00 225.0000 53.000 2.0000 454.0000 12.000 35.0000
```

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

```
##           z           xi  theta delta    alpha    kappa    rho
## Min.   504.0000  82.0000 42.0000 1.0000 195.0000  8.0000 26.0000
## 1st Qu. 528.0000  84.0000 44.0000 1.0000 198.0000  9.0000 31.0000
## Median 533.0000  84.0000 44.0000 1.0000 199.0000  9.0000 32.0000
## Mean   541.5196  84.5774 44.3988 1.0018 198.8446  9.0628 31.7456
## 3rd Qu. 540.0000  85.0000 45.0000 1.0000 199.0000  9.0000 33.0000
## Max.   728.0000 224.0000 56.0000 2.0000 218.0000 13.0000 42.0000
```

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

```
##           u           xi  theta  delta   alpha  kappa    rho
## Min.      0e+00    11.0000 39.000 0.0000 374.0000 4.0000 23.0000
## 1st Qu.    0e+00    12.0000 42.000 1.0000 393.0000 4.0000 26.0000
## Median    0e+00    12.0000 43.000 1.0000 403.0000 4.0000 27.0000
## Mean      4e-04    12.1992 42.588 0.8306 406.3786 4.0716 26.6904
## 3rd Qu.    0e+00    12.0000 43.000 1.0000 409.0000 4.0000 28.0000
## Max.      1e+00   146.0000 51.000 2.0000 582.0000 7.0000 32.0000
```

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 $m = 900$ here is quite big, `NNGPsequenFixedL` is considerably 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    rho
## 27.59543  2.26986  0.90350  0.10926  6.17183  2.25865  9.12389
```

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

```
##           z           xi  theta  delta   alpha  kappa    rho
## 44.20064  3.66448  0.99721  0.02449  5.85637  0.59075  1.43320
```

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

```
##           z           xi  theta  delta   alpha  kappa    rho
## 32.43286  3.07966  0.95055  0.04239  2.03078  0.31949  1.49363
```

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

```
##           u           xi  theta  delta   alpha  kappa    rho
## 0.02000  2.70736  1.32477  0.37568 28.33927  0.26549  1.33075
```