# spsur: an R package for estimation and inference of spatial SUR models

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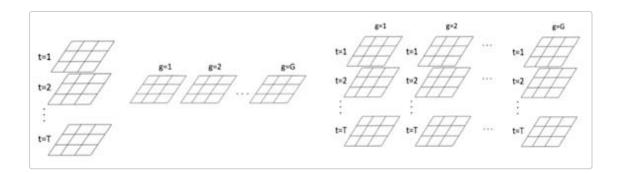
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#### **Abstract**

A collection of functions to test and estimate Spatial Seemingly Unrelated Regression (SUR) models by maximum likelihood and three-stage least square for the more usual SUR specifications with spatial effects (SUR-SLX; SUR-SLM; SUR-SEM;SUR-SDM; SUR-SDEM and SUR-SARAR) and non spatial SUR model (SUR-SIM).

## **Motivation**

- 1. From Zellner (1962) Seemingly Unrelated Model (SUR) is a popular model in Econometrics.
- 2. Spatial SUR models are a powerful multi-equational models in Spatial Econometrics.
  - Could be used to take account spatial autocorrelation and temporal correlation.
  - Correlation between residual of different equations for same cross section.
  - Even could be used in a panel data framework (López et al. 2010).



We think that spsur will be a welcome R-package to estimate Spatial SUR model

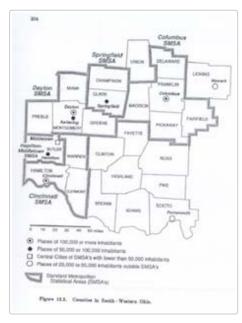
# Before to present the spsur package:

## 0.1 Data sets in spsur

The spsur package include several data sets:

### The spc (Spatial Phillips-Curve). A classical data set from Anselin (1988, p.203)

A total of N=25 observations and Tm=2 time periods



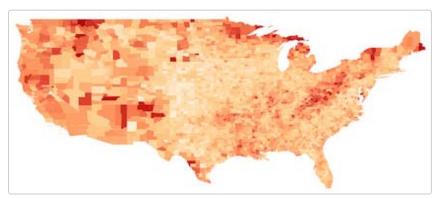
COUNTY	WAGE83	UN83	NMR83	SMSA	WAGE82	WAGE81	UN80	NMR80	WAGE80
UNION	1.003127	0.080500	-0.002217	1	1.108662	1.146178	0.130375	-0.010875	1.084886
DELAWARE	1.039972	0.122174	0.018268	1	1.071271	1.104241	0.189603	0.041886	1.110426
LICKING	1.050196	0.095821	-0.013681	1	1.058375	1.094732	0.124125	-0.004158	1.069776

### 2. Homicides + Socio-Economics characteristics for U.S. counties (1960-90)

from [https://geodacenter.github.io/data-and-lab/ncovr/]

Homicides and selected socio-economic characteristics for continental U.S. counties. Data for four decennial census years: 1960, 1970, 1980 and 1990.

A total of N=3085 US counties



NAME	STATE_NAME	STATE_FIPS	CNTY_FIPS	FIPS	STFIPS	COFIPS	FIPSNO	SOUTH
Lake of the Woods	Minnesota	27	077	27077	27	77	27077	0

NAME	STATE_NAME	STATE_FIPS	CNTY_FIPS	FIPS	STFIPS	COFIPS	FIPSNO	SOUTH
Ferry	Washington	53	019	53019	53	19	53019	0
Stevens	Washington	53	065	53065	53	65	53065	0

## 0.2 How to specify multiple equations: The Formula package

By example: two equations with different number of regressors

$$Y_1 = eta_{10} + eta_{11} \ X_{11} + eta_{12} X_{12} + \epsilon_1 \ Y_2 = eta_{20} + eta_{21} \ X_{21} + \epsilon_2$$

formula <- 
$$Y_1 \mid Y_2 \sim X_{11}$$
 +  $X_{12} \mid X_{21}$ 

# The spsur package step by step

Step 1: Testing for spatial effects

Step 2: Estimation of the Spatial SUR models

Step 3: Looking for the correct especification

Step 4: Impacts: Directs, Indirects and Total effects

Step 5: spsur in a panel data framework

**Step 6: Additional functionalities** 

Step 7: Conclusion and work to do

## Step 1: Testing for: 1mtestspsur

The function Imtestspsur obtain five LM statistis for testing spatial dependence in Seemingly Unrelated Regression models

(Mur J, López FA, Herrera M, 2010: Testing for spatial effect in Seemingly Unrelated Regressions. *Spatial Economic Analysis* 5(4) 399-440).

 $H_0$ : No spatial autocorrelation

 $H_A: {\sf SUR\text{-}SLM} \ {\sf or} \ H_A: {\sf SUR\text{-}SEM} \ {\sf or} \ H_A: {\sf SUR\text{-}SARAR}$ 

- LM-SUR-SLM
- LM-SUR-SEM
- LM-SUR-SARAR

and two robust LM tests

- LM\*-SUR-SLM
- ∘ LM\*-SUR-SEM

### Example 1: with Anselin's data we can test spatial effects in the SUR model:

```
WAGE_{83} = \beta_{10} + \beta_{11}\ UN_{83} + \beta_{12}\ NMR_{83} + \beta_{13}\ SMSA + \epsilon_{83} \\ WAGE_{81} = \beta_{20} + \beta_{21}\ UN_{80} + \beta_{22}\ NMR_{80} + \beta_{23}\ SMSA + \epsilon_{81} \\ Corr(\epsilon_{83}, \epsilon_{81}) \neq 0 library(spsur) data("spc") Tformula <- WAGE83 | WAGE81 ~ UN83 + NMR83 + SMSA | UN80 + NMR80 + SMSA LMs <- lmtestspsur(Form = Tformula, data = spc, W = Wspc)
```

In this example no spatial autocorrelation is identified! (25 observations).

### Example 2: Homicides + Socio-Economics data (year 1980)

With different number of exogenous variables in each equation

```
HR_{80} = eta_{10} + eta_{11} \; PS_{80} + eta_{12} \; UE_{80} + \epsilon_{HR} \ DV_{80} = eta_{20} + eta_{21} \; PS_{80} + eta_{22} \; UE_{80} + eta_{23} \; SOUTH + \epsilon_{DV} \ FP_{79} = eta_{30} + eta_{31} \; PS_{80} + \epsilon_{FP}
```

```
Tformula <- HR80 | DV80 | FP79 \sim PS80 + UE80 | PS80 + UE80 + SOUTH | PS80 LMs <- lmtestspsur(Form = Tformula, data = NCOVR, W = W)
```

```
## LM-Stat. DF p-value
## LM-SUR-SLM 5494.02 3 < 2e-16 ***
## LM-SUR-SEM 5620.26 3 < 2e-16 ***
## LM*-SUR-SLM 53.16 3 1.69e-11 ***
## LM*-SUR-SEM 179.41 3 < 2e-16 ***
## LM-SUR-SARAR 5741.17 6 < 2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

# Step 2: Estimation of a Spatial SUR

Two alternative estimation methods are implemented:

## 2.1. Maximum likelihood estimation: spsurml

Maximum likelihood estimation for differents spatial SUR models using spsurm1. The models are:

- SUR-SIM: with out spatial autocorrelation
- SUR-SLX: Spatial Lag of X SUR model
- SUR-SLM: Spatial Lag SUR model
- SUR-SEM: Spatial Error SUR model
- SUR-SDM: Spatial Durbin SUR model
- SUR-SDEM: Spatial Durbin Error SUR model
- SUR-SARAR: Spatial Lag with Spatial Error SUR model / (SUR-SAC)

### 2.1.1 Anselin data set

```
SUR-SIM: SUR model without spatial effects
(y_t = X_t \beta_t + \epsilon_t; t = 1, \ldots, T)
        WAGE_{83} = eta_{10} + eta_{11}UN_{83} + eta_{12}NMR_{83} + eta_{13}SMSA + \epsilon_{83}
        WAGE_{81} = eta_{20} + eta_{21}UN_{80} + eta_{22}NMR_{80} + eta_{23}SMSA + \epsilon_{81}
        Corr(\epsilon_{83}, \epsilon_{81}) \neq 0
 library(spsur)
 Tformula <- WAGE83 | WAGE81 ~ UN83 + NMR83 + SMSA | UN80 + NMR80 + SMSA
 spcsur.sim <- spsurml(Form = Tformula, data = spc, type = "sim", W = Wspc)</pre>
 ## Initial point:
 ## log_lik: 110.423
 ## Iteration: 1 log_lik: 111.201
 ## Iteration: 2 log_lik: 111.348
 ## Iteration: 3 log lik: 111.378
 ## Time to fit the model: 0.16 seconds
 ## Time to compute covariances: 0.03 seconds
 summary(spcsur.sim)
 ## spsurml(Form = Tformula, data = spc, W = Wspc, type = "sim")
 ##
 ## Spatial SUR model type: sim
 ##
 ## Equation 1
                      Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
 ## (Intercept)_1 0.9845592 0.0204381 48.1728 < 2e-16 ***
```

```
## UN83_1 0.6595414 0.2878689 2.2911 0.02744 *
## NMR83_1 -0.3772648 0.2699660 -1.3975 0.17018
## SMSA 1
               -0.0085762 0.0131588 -0.6517 0.51839
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.4224
## Equation 2
##
                 Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)_2 1.159370 0.045728 25.3535 <2e-16 ***
## UN80_2 -0.559787 0.414434 -1.3507 0.1846
## NMR80_2
               0.010439 0.026166 0.3990 0.6921
## SMSA 2
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.2757
## Variance-Covariance Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
   0.0004539866 -0.0006769556
## -0.0006769556 0.0021133889
## Correlation Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
   1.0000000 -0.6911129
## -0.6911129 1.0000000
## R-sq. pooled: 0.5328
## Log-Likelihood: 111.378
## Breusch-Pagan: 12.07 p-value: (0.000513)
```

Only change the 'type' argument in spsurm1 function it is possible to estimate several spatial model **SUR-SLM**: Spatial autorregresive model:

```
(y_t = \lambda_t W y_t + X_t eta_t + \epsilon_t; \ t = 1, \dots, T)
```

```
WAGE_{83} = \lambda_{83}WWAGE_{83} + \beta_{10} + \beta_{11}UN_{83} + \beta_{12}NMR_{83} + \beta_{13}SMSA + \epsilon_{83} \ WAGE_{81} = \lambda_{81}WWAGE_{81} + \beta_{20} + \beta_{21}UN_{80} + \beta_{22}NMR_{80} + \beta_{23}SMSA + \epsilon_{81} \ Corr(\epsilon_{83}, \epsilon_{81}) \neq 0
```

```
spcsur.slm <- spsurml(Form = Tformula, data = spc, type = "slm", W = Wspc)

## Initial point: log_lik: 113.197 lambdas: -0.472 -0.446

## Iteration: 1 log_lik: 114.085 lambdas: -0.506 -0.482

## Iteration: 2 log_lik: 114.096 lambdas: -0.506 -0.482

## Time to fit the model: 2.64 seconds

## Computing marginal test...

## Time to compute covariances: 0.45 seconds

summary(spcsur.slm)

## Call:

## spsurml(Form = Tformula, data = spc, W = Wspc, type = "slm")

##

##

## Spatial SUR model type: slm

##</pre>
```

```
## Equation 1
 ##
                 Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
 ## (Intercept)_1 1.4955217 0.2467240 6.0615 5.183e-07 ***
           0.8070029 0.2557439 3.1555 0.003179 **
-0.5194114 0.2590550 -2.0050 0.052318 .
 ## UN83 1
 ## NMR83_1
 ## SMSA 1
                -0.0073247 0.0118519 -0.6180 0.540347
 ## lambda 1
                ## ---
 ## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
 ## R-squared: 0.6224
 ## Equation 2
                   Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
 ## (Intercept)_2 1.7094414 0.2925620 5.8430 1.024e-06 ***
             -0.6745562 0.3870737 -1.7427 0.08969 .
 ## UN80 2
 ## NMR80_2
                0.7502934 0.3842670 1.9525 0.05847 .
                0.0014181 0.0241859 0.0586 0.95356
 ## SMSA_2
 ## lambda 2
               -0.4821428 0.2557758 -1.8850 0.06730 .
 ## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
 ## R-squared: 0.4743
 ## Variance-Covariance Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
     0.0003085954 -0.0003561928
 ## -0.0003561928 0.0015864976
 ## Correlation Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
     1.000000 -0.509062
 ## -0.509062 1.000000
 ##
 ## R-sq. pooled: 0.6603
 ## Log-Likelihood: 114.096
 ## Breusch-Pagan: 6.516 p-value: (0.0107)
 ## LMM: 0.50489 p-value: (0.477)
SUR-SEM: Spatial error model:
(y_t = X_t \ eta_t + u_t \ ; u_t = 
ho u_t + \epsilon_t \ t = 1, \ldots, T)
```

```
WAGE_{83} = \beta_{10} + \beta_{11}UN_{83} + \beta_{12}NMR_{83} + \beta_{13}SMSA + u_{83}; \ u_{83} = \rho W \ u_{83} + \epsilon_{83}
        WAGE_{81} = eta_{20} + eta_{21}UN_{80} + eta_{22}NMR_{80} + eta_{23}SMSA + u_{81}; \ u_{81} = 
ho W \ u_{81} + \epsilon_{81}
        Corr(\epsilon_{83}, \epsilon_{81}) \neq 0
spcsur.sem <- spsurml(Form = Tformula, data = spc, type = "sem",</pre>
                            W = Wspc
```

```
## Initial point: log_lik: 112.821 deltas: -0.556 -0.477
## Iteration: 1 log_lik: 113.695 rhos: -0.618 -0.537
## Iteration: 2 log lik: 113.719 rhos: -0.628 -0.548
## Time to fit the model: 4.01 seconds
## Computing marginal test...
## Time to compute covariances: 0.41 seconds
```

summary(spcsur.sem)

```
## Call:
## spsurml(Form = Tformula, data = spc, W = Wspc, type = "sem")
##
## Spatial SUR model type: sem
## Equation 1
                 Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)_1 0.9805218 0.0151899 64.5511 < 2.2e-16 ***
          0.7383349 0.2277247 3.2422 0.002513 **
## UN83 1
## NMR83_1
              -0.4859228 0.2550377 -1.9053 0.064535 .
              -0.0132403 0.0099122 -1.3358 0.189790
## SMSA_1
## rho 1
               -0.6280610 0.2774391 -2.2638 0.029541 *
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.6607
## Equation 2
                 Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)_2 1.1479484 0.0386961 29.6657 < 2e-16 ***
## UN80 2 -0.4406330 0.3614882 -1.2189 0.23058
               0.8223976 0.4062173 2.0245 0.05018 .
## NMR80_2
## SMSA_2
               0.0041942 0.0204639 0.2050 0.83873
## rho_2
              -0.5480668 0.2817155 -1.9455 0.05935 .
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.5092
## Variance-Covariance Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
## 0.0002970481 -0.0003217158
## -0.0003217158 0.0015512097
## Correlation Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
## 1.0000000 -0.4739403
## -0.4739403 1.0000000
##
## R-sq. pooled: 0.673
## Log-Likelihood: 113.719
## Breusch-Pagan: 5.512 p-value: (0.0189)
## LMM: 1.4742 p-value: (0.225)
```

SUR-SARAR: Spatial autoregressive model with spatial autoregressive error term:

 $(y_t = \lambda_t W y_t + X_t \beta_t + u_t; u_t = \rho_t u_t + \epsilon_t t = 1, \dots, T)$ 

```
summary(spcsur.sarar)
```

```
## Call:
## spsurml(Form = Tformula, data = spc, W = Wspc, type = "sarar")
##
## Spatial SUR model type: sarar
## Equation 1
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)_1 1.366431 0.530515 2.5757 0.014387 *
## UN83_1
            ## NMR83_1
            -0.477594 0.243189 -1.9639 0.057526 .
## SMSA 1
            ## lambda 1
            ## rho_1
             ## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.6488
## Equation 2
##
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)_2 2.261235 0.309798 7.2990 1.578e-08 ***
          ## UN80_2
## NMR80 2
            0.422431 0.280569 1.5056 0.1411370
## SMSA 2
            0.020267 0.026531 0.7639 0.4500581
## lambda_2
            -1.000000 0.283853 -3.5229 0.0012094 **
            ## rho_2
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.6785
## Variance-Covariance Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
   0.0003134325 -0.0003735885
## -0.0003735885 0.0012071470
## Correlation Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
   1.0000000 -0.6073533
## -0.6073533 1.0000000
##
## R-sq. pooled: 0.7421
## Log-Likelihood: 115.26
## Breusch-Pagan: 9.432 p-value: (0.00213)
```

### 2.1.2 Homicides + Socio-Economics (counties U.S.)

It is a fast code. Note the time to estimate a SUR-SLM with 3085 observations

**SUR-SLM**: Spatial autorregresive model

$$(y_g=\lambda_g W y_g + X_g eta_g + \epsilon_g; g=1,\ldots,G)$$

$$HR_{80} = \lambda_{HR} \ WHR_{80} + eta_{10} + eta_{11} PS_{80} + eta_{12} UE_{80} + \epsilon_{HR} \ DV_{80} = \lambda_{DV} \ WDV_{80} + eta_{20} + eta_{21} PS_{80} + eta_{22} UE_{80} + eta_{23} SOUTH + \epsilon_{DV} \ FP_{79} = \lambda_{FP} \ WFP_{80} + eta_{30} + eta_{31} PS_{80} + \epsilon_{FP}$$

```
data(NCOVR)
Tformula <- HR80 | DV80 | FP79 ~ PS80 + UE80 | PS80 + UE80 + SOUTH | PS80
NCOVR.slm <- spsurml(Form = Tformula, data = NCOVR,</pre>
                   type = "slm", W = W)
## Initial point: log lik: -23517.27 lambdas: 0.483 0.6 0.631
## Iteration: 1 log_lik: -22866.07 lambdas: 0.531 0.676 0.742
## Iteration: 2 log_lik: -22857.5 lambdas: 0.535 0.681 0.754
## Iteration: 3 log lik: -22857.42 lambdas: 0.535 0.681 0.755
## Iteration: 4 log_lik: -22857.42 lambdas: 0.535 0.682 0.755
## Time to fit the model: 60.5 seconds
## Computing marginal test...
## Time to compute covariances: 80.74 seconds
summary(NCOVR.slm)
## Call:
## spsurml(Form = Tformula, data = NCOVR, W = W, type = "slm")
##
## Spatial SUR model type: slm
##
## Equation 1
             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## PS80 1
## UE80 1
            0.019488 0.029405 0.6627 0.5075
## lambda_1
            ## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.3073
## Equation 2
##
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)_2 1.1722435 0.0777687 15.0735 < 2.2e-16 ***
## PS80_2
            ## UE80_2
             0.0466581 0.0059494 7.8425 4.906e-15 ***
## SOUTH_2 -0.0410865 0.0364872 -1.1261
## lambda 2
             ## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.4963
## Equation 3
##
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)_3 3.075015 0.173143 17.760 < 2.2e-16 ***
## PS80 3
        -1.079371 0.073941 -14.598 < 2.2e-16 ***
             ## lambda 3
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.6614
## Variance-Covariance Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
## 33.560725 1.2156559 8.1704643
## 1.215656 1.0940407 -0.4140781
## 8.170464 -0.4140781 13.9640107
## Correlation Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
## 1.0000000 0.2006219 0.3774209
```

```
## 0.2006219 1.0000000 -0.1059401
## 0.3774209 -0.1059401 1.0000000
##

## R-sq. pooled: 0.6038
## Log-Likelihood: -22857.4
## Breusch-Pagan: 598.2 p-value: (2.43e-129)
## LMM: 176.42 p-value: (5.22e-38)
```

## 2.2. Three-Stage Least Square estimation (3SLS): spsur3sls

The function spsur3s1s estimate by IV the models

• SUR-SLM: Spatial lag model

• SUR-SDM: Spatial Durbin model

By example:

```
HR_{80} = \lambda_{HR} \, WHR_{80} + eta_{10} + eta_{11} PS_{80} + eta_{12} UE_{80} + \epsilon_{HR} \ DV_{80} = \lambda_{DV} \, WDV_{80} + eta_{20} + eta_{21} PS_{80} + eta_{22} UE_{80} + eta_{23} SOUTH + \epsilon_{DV}
      FP_{79} = \lambda_{FP} WFP_{80} + \beta_{30} + \beta_{31}PS_{80} + \epsilon_{FP}
data(NCOVR)
Tformula <- HR80 | DV80 | FP79 ~ PS80 + UE80 | PS80 + UE80 + SOUTH | PS80
NCOVR.slm.3sls <- spsur3sls(Form = Tformula, data = NCOVR,</pre>
                                type = "slm", W = W, maxlagW = 2)
## Time to fit the model: 0.37 seconds
summary(NCOVR.slm.3sls)
## Call:
## spsur3sls(Form = Tformula, data = NCOVR, W = W, type = "slm",
       maxlagW = 2)
##
##
## Spatial SUR model type: slm
## Equation 1
                    Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)_1 8.877617 1.307821 6.7881 1.206e-11 ***
## PS80_1
                   -0.060245 0.033200 -1.8146 0.06962 .
## UE80_1
## lambda 1
                 -0.221472 0.191153 -1.1586
                                                    0.24664
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.1405
     Equation 2
##
##
                    Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)_2 2.9935206 0.3798303 7.8812 3.61e-15 ***
```

```
## PS80_2 0.2533626 0.0262643 9.6467 < 2.2e-16 ***
## UE80_2 0.0914432 0.0095959 9.5294 < 2.2e-16 ***
## SOUTH_2
             0.0346575 0.0471028 0.7358 0.4619
## lambda 2
              0.2124110 0.0900048 2.3600 0.0183 *
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.291
## Equation 3
##
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)_3 7.670117 1.095699 7.0002 2.734e-12 ***
## PS80_3 -1.585681 0.160403 -9.8856 < 2.2e-16 ***
## lambda 3
               ## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.5611
## Variance-Covariance Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
## 45.377766 1.867308 18.961586
## 1.867308 1.938112 -1.427426
## 18.961586 -1.427426 34.820491
## Correlation Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
## 1.0000000 0.1991154 0.4770190
## 0.1991154 1.0000000 -0.1737588
## 0.4770190 -0.1737588 1.0000000
##
## R-sq. pooled: 0.3595
```

# Step 3: Testing for misspecification in spatial SUR

## 3.1 Testing for the diagonality of $\Sigma$

The Breush-Pagan test of diagonality of  $\Sigma$ 

$$H_0: \Sigma = \sigma^2 I_R \ H_A: \Sigma 
eq \sigma^2 I_R$$

```
## Call:
## spsurml(Form = Tformula, data = NCOVR, W = W, type = "slm")
##
##
## Spatial SUR model type: slm
##
## Equation 1
## Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)_1 3.071086  0.259058 11.8548 < 2.2e-16 ***
## PS80_1  0.586514  0.105973 5.5346 3.205e-08 ***
## UE80_1  0.019488  0.029405  0.6627  0.5075</pre>
```

```
## lambda_1
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.3073
##
    Equation 2
##
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)_2 1.1722435 0.0777687 15.0735 < 2.2e-16 ***
             ## PS80 2
             0.0466581 0.0059494 7.8425 4.906e-15 ***
## UE80_2
            -0.0410865 0.0364872 -1.1261
## SOUTH 2
## lambda_2
              ## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.4963
    Equation 3
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
##
## (Intercept)_3 3.075015 0.173143 17.760 < 2.2e-16 ***
        -1.079371 0.073941 -14.598 < 2.2e-16 ***
## PS80 3
             ## lambda_3
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.6614
  Variance-Covariance Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
## 33.560725 1.2156559 8.1704643
##
   1.215656 1.0940407 -0.4140781
   8.170464 -0.4140781 13.9640107
## Correlation Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
## 1.0000000 0.2006219 0.3774209
## 0.2006219 1.0000000 -0.1059401
## 0.3774209 -0.1059401 1.0000000
##
## R-sq. pooled: 0.6038
## Log-Likelihood: -22857.4
## Breusch-Pagan: 598.2 p-value: (2.43e-129)
## LMM: 176.42 p-value: (5.22e-38)
```

## 3.2 Marginal tests: $LM(\rho|\lambda)$ & $LM(\lambda|\rho)$

The Marginal Multiplier tests (LMM) are used to test for no correlation in one part of the model allowing for spatial correlation in the other. (Mur J, López FA and Herrera M, 2010)

• The  $LM(\rho|\lambda)$  is the test for spatial error correlation in a model with subtantive spatial correlation (SUR-SLM; SUR-SDM).

```
H_0: SUR - SLM

H_A: SUR - SARAR
```

```
summary(spcsur.slm)

## Call:
## spsurml(Form = Tformula, data = spc, W = Wspc, type = "slm")
```

```
##
##
## Spatial SUR model type: slm
##
## Equation 1
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)_1 1.4955217 0.2467240 6.0615 5.183e-07 ***
              0.8070029 0.2557439 3.1555 0.003179 **
## UN83 1
             -0.5194114 0.2590550 -2.0050 0.052318 .
## NMR83_1
## SMSA_1
             -0.0073247 0.0118519 -0.6180 0.540347
## lambda_1
              ## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.6224
  Equation 2
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
##
## (Intercept)_2 1.7094414 0.2925620 5.8430 1.024e-06 ***
## UN80 2 -0.6745562 0.3870737 -1.7427 0.08969 .
              0.7502934 0.3842670 1.9525
                                          0.05847 .
## NMR80_2
## SMSA_2
              0.0014181 0.0241859 0.0586 0.95356
## lambda_2
             -0.4821428 0.2557758 -1.8850
                                          0.06730 .
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.4743
    Variance-Covariance Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
##
    0.0003085954 -0.0003561928
## -0.0003561928 0.0015864976
## Correlation Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
   1.000000 -0.509062
## -0.509062 1.000000
##
## R-sq. pooled: 0.6603
## Log-Likelihood: 114.096
## Breusch-Pagan: 6.516 p-value: (0.0107)
## LMM: 0.50489 p-value: (0.477)
```

 $\circ$  The  $LM(\lambda|
ho)$  is the test for subtantive spatial autocorrelation in a model with spatial autocorrelation in error term (SUR-SEM; SUR-SDEM).

```
H_0: SUR - SEM

H_A: SUR - SARAR
```

```
## (Intercept)_1 0.9805218 0.0151899 64.5511 < 2.2e-16 ***
## UN83_1
               0.7383349 0.2277247 3.2422 0.002513 **
## NMR83 1
              -0.4859228 0.2550377 -1.9053 0.064535 .
## SMSA 1
              -0.0132403 0.0099122 -1.3358 0.189790
              -0.6280610 0.2774391 -2.2638 0.029541 *
## rho_1
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.6607
## Equation 2
                 Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)_2 1.1479484 0.0386961 29.6657 < 2e-16 ***
## UN80 2 -0.4406330 0.3614882 -1.2189 0.23058
## NMR80 2
               0.8223976 0.4062173 2.0245 0.05018 .
               0.0041942 0.0204639 0.2050 0.83873
## SMSA 2
## rho_2
              -0.5480668 0.2817155 -1.9455 0.05935 .
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.5092
## Variance-Covariance Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
## 0.0002970481 -0.0003217158
## -0.0003217158 0.0015512097
## Correlation Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
## 1.0000000 -0.4739403
## -0.4739403 1.0000000
##
## R-sq. pooled: 0.673
## Log-Likelihood: 113.719
## Breusch-Pagan: 5.512 p-value: (0.0189)
## LMM: 1.4742 p-value: (0.225)
```

## 3.3 Coefficient stability/homogeneity

### 3.3.1 Wald tests for beta coefficients: wald\_betas

In a SUR-SLM the model:

$$WAGE_{83} = \lambda_{83}W\ WAGE_{83} + \beta_{10} + \beta_{11}UN_{83} + \beta_{12}NMR_{83} + eta_{13}SMSA + \epsilon_{83} \ WAGE_{81} = \lambda_{81}W\ WAGE_{81} + \beta_{20} + \beta_{21}UN_{80} + \beta_{22}NMR_{80} + eta_{23}SMSA + \epsilon_{81}$$

It's possible to test equality between SMSA coefficients in both equations:

$$H_0:eta_{13}=eta_{23}\ H_A:eta_{13}
eqeta_{23}$$

```
## Wald stat.: 0.079 p-value: (0.779)
```

More complex hypothesis about  $\beta$  coefficients could be tested using R1 vector

```
H_0: \beta_{13} = \beta_{23} \text{ and } \beta_{12} = \beta_{22} \ H_A: \beta_{13} 
eq \beta_{23} \text{ or } \beta_{12} 
eq \beta_{22}
\text{R1 <- t(matrix(c(0,0,0,1,0,0,0,-1,0,0,1,0,0,0,-1,0), ncol = 2))} 
\text{r1 <- matrix(0, ncol = 2)} 
\text{Wald\_beta <- wald\_betas(results = spcsur.slm, R = R1, b = r1)} 
\text{## Wald stat.: 6.179 p-value: (0.046)}
```

#### Estimate the restricted model

In case don't reject the null, it's possible to estimate the model with equal coefficient in both equations:

```
WAGE_{83} = \lambda_{83}W\ WAGE_{83} + \beta_{10} + \beta_{11}UN_{83} + \beta_{12}NMR_{83} + oldsymbol{eta_{13}}SMSA + \epsilon_{83} \ WAGE_{81} = \lambda_{81}W\ WAGE_{81} + oldsymbol{eta_{20}} + oldsymbol{eta_{21}}UN_{80} + oldsymbol{eta_{22}}NMR_{80} + oldsymbol{eta_{13}}SMSA + \epsilon_{81}
```

```
Tformula <- WAGE83 | WAGE81 ~ UN83 + NMR83 + SMSA | UN80 + NMR80 + SMSA
R1 <- matrix(c(0,0,0,1,0,0,0,-1), nrow = 1)
r1 \leftarrow matrix(0, ncol = 1)
spcsur.slm.restricted <- spsurml(Form = Tformula, data = spc, type = "slm", W = Wspc, R = R1, b =</pre>
 r1, control = list(tol = 0.05, maxit = 200, trace = FALSE))
summary(spcsur.slm.restricted)
## Call:
## spsurml(Form = Tformula, data = spc, R = R1, b = r1, W = Wspc,
      type = "slm", control = list(tol = 0.05, maxit = 200, trace = FALSE))
##
##
##
## Spatial SUR model type: slm
##
## Equation 1
##
                 Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)_1 1.4876833 0.2444552 6.0857 4.343e-07 ***
                0.7486660 0.2290706 3.2683 0.002301 **
## UN83_1
## NMR83 1
              -0.4565917 0.2559136 -1.7842 0.082384 .
## SMSA_1
               ## lambda 1
               -0.4950681 0.2392546 -2.0692 0.045377 *
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.6115
## Equation 2
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)_2 1.69869 0.28885 5.8809 8.294e-07 ***
## UN80 2
               -0.61498
                           0.32522 -1.8910
                                            0.06627 .
## NMR80 2
                           0.37391 1.8398
                 0.68793
                                            0.07362 .
```

```
## NA
                      NA
                            0.25016 -1.9010
## lambda_2
                -0.47556
                                             0.06490 .
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.4691
    Variance-Covariance Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
    0.0003220152 -0.000394289
## -0.0003942890 0.001616933
## Correlation Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
##
    1.0000000 -0.5464249
##
   -0.5464249 1.0000000
##
## R-sq. pooled: 0.6531
## Log-Likelihood: 114.049
## Breusch-Pagan: 7.318 p-value: (0.00683)
## LMM: 0.36616 p-value: (0.545)
```

### 3.3.2 Wald test for 'spatial' coefficients homogeneity: wald\_deltas

In same way a test for equal spatial autocorrelation coefficients can be obtain with wald\_deltas function: In the model:

$$WAGE_{83} = \lambda_{83}W\ WAGE_{83} + \beta_{10} + \beta_{11}UN_{83} + \beta_{12}NMR_{83} + \beta_{13}SMSA + \epsilon_{83} \ WAGE_{81} = \lambda_{81}W\ WAGE_{81} + \beta_{20} + \beta_{21}UN_{80} + \beta_{22}NMR_{80} + \beta_{23}SMSA + \epsilon_{81}$$

In this case the null is:

```
H_0: \lambda_{83} = \lambda_{81} \ H_A: \lambda_{83} 
eq \lambda_{81}
```

```
spcsur.slm <- spsurml(Form = Tformula, data = spc, type = "slm", W = Wspc, control = list(tol = 0.05, maxit = 200, trace = FALSE))
R1 <- matrix(c(1,-1), nrow = 1)
r1 <- matrix(0, ncol = 1)
res1 <- wald_deltas(results = spcsur.slm, R = R1, b = r1)
##
## Wald stat.: 0.006 (0.939)</pre>
```

### 3.3.3 Likekihood ratio tests 1r\_betas\_spsur

Alternatively to wald test, the Likelihoo Ration (LR) tests can be obtain using the <code>lr\_betas\_spsur</code> function.

```
Tformula <- WAGE83 | WAGE81 ~ UN83 + NMR83 + SMSA | UN80 + NMR80 + SMSA
R <- matrix(c(0,0,0,1,0,0,0,-1),nrow=1)
r <- matrix(0,ncol=1)
LR_SMSA <- lr_betas_spsur(Form = Tformula, data = spc, W = Wspc, type = "slm", R = R, b = r, trace = FALSE, printmodels = F)
###
### Fitting unrestricted model ...
###</pre>
```

```
## Time to fit unrestricted model: 2.81 seconds
##
## Fitting restricted model ...
## Time to fit restricted model: 2.33 seconds
##
## LR-Test
##
## Log-likelihood unrestricted model: 114.096
## Log-likelihood restricted model: 114.049
## LR statistic: 0.095 degrees of freedom: 1 p-value: (0.7576548)
```

# 4. Step 4: Marginal Effects: impacts

The marginal effects impacts of spatial autoregressive models (SUR-SLM; SUR-SDM; SUR-SARAR) has been calculated following the propose of LeSage and Pace (2009).

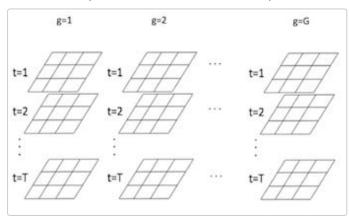
```
Tformula <- WAGE83 | WAGE81 ~ UN83 + NMR83 + SMSA | UN80 + NMR80 + SMSA
spcsur.slm <-spsur3sls(Form = Tformula, data = spc, type = "slm", W = Wspc)</pre>
## Time to fit the model: 0.07 seconds
eff.spcsur.slm <- impacts(spcsur.slm, nsim = 300)</pre>
## Spatial SUR model type: slm
##
   Direct effects
##
                        sd t-stat p-val
              mean
## UN83 1 -1.21791 11.64101 -0.1046 0.9167
## NMR83_1 0.10074 4.01210 0.0251 0.9800
## SMSA 1 -1.70983 14.57275 -0.1173 0.9066
## UN80_2 -0.12248 2.07959 -0.0589 0.9530
## NMR80 2 -0.22363 3.32942 -0.0672 0.9464
## SMSA 2 -0.34441 2.84217 -0.1212 0.9035
##
##
   Indirect effects
##
              mean
                       sd t-stat p-val
## UN83_1 -10.9147 275.8821 -0.0396 0.9684
## NMR83 1 3.3726 94.8413 0.0356 0.9716
## SMSA 1 -20.0556 347.3637 -0.0577 0.9540
## UN80_2
          -1.6451 37.0017 -0.0445 0.9645
## NMR80_2 4.9199 75.6581 0.0650 0.9482
## SMSA 2 4.5254 59.4598 0.0761 0.9393
##
  Total effects
##
##
              mean
                    sd t-stat p-val
## UN83_1 -12.1326 287.3677 -0.0422 0.9663
## NMR83 1 3.4733 98.8073 0.0352 0.9720
## SMSA 1 -21.7654 361.8445 -0.0602 0.9520
## UN80_2 -1.7676 38.4950 -0.0459 0.9634
```

```
## NMR80_2 4.6963 78.7740 0.0596 0.9525
## SMSA_2 4.1810 61.8978 0.0675 0.9461
```

# 5. Step 5: The spsur in a panel data framework

## 5.1 The spsur with G equation and T periods

Case of T temporal cross-sections and G equations



By example with NCOVR data set:

- T = 4 (Four temporal periods)
- G = 2 (Two equations with different numbers of independent variables)
- R = 3085 (Spatial observations)

### A SUR-SLM-PANEL model

 $y_{gt} = \lambda_g W y_{gt} + X_{gt} eta_g + \epsilon_{gt};$ 

```
egin{aligned} g = 1, \dots, G; \ t = 1, \dots, T \ Corr(\epsilon_{gt}, \epsilon_{g't}) = Corr(\epsilon_{g}, \epsilon_{g'}) 
eq 0 \ 	ext{for} \ (orall t) \end{aligned}
 ## Case G = 1, T > 1
 ## (temporal correlations)
 data(NCOVR, package = "spsur")
 N <- nrow(NCOVR)
 Tm <- 4
 index_time <- rep(1:Tm, each = N)</pre>
 index_indiv <- rep(1:N, Tm)</pre>
 pHR <- c(NCOVR$HR60, NCOVR$HR70, NCOVR$HR80, NCOVR$HR90)
 pPS <- c(NCOVR$PS60, NCOVR$PS70, NCOVR$PS80, NCOVR$PS90)</pre>
 pUE <- c(NCOVR$UE60, NCOVR$UE70, NCOVR$UE80, NCOVR$UE90)
 pNCOVR <- data.frame(indiv = index indiv, time = index time,</pre>
                             HR = pHR, PS = pPS, UE = pUE)
 rm(NCOVR,pHR,pPS,pUE,index_time,index_indiv)
 form_pHR <- HR ~ PS + UE
  pHR slm <- spsurtime(Form = form pHR, data = pNCOVR, W = W,
                  time = pNCOVR$time, type = "slm",
                  method = "3sls")
```

## Time to fit the model: 0.58 seconds

#### summary(pHR\_slm)

```
## Call:
## spsur3sls(W = W, X = X, Y = Y, G = G, N = N, Tm = Tm, p = p,
      type = type, maxlagW = maxlagW)
##
## Spatial SUR model type: slm
##
## Equation 1
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)_1 2.501017 1.645140 1.5202 0.1285
## PS 1
         -0.029887 0.105860 -0.2823 0.7777
## UE 1
              0.029898 0.046422 0.6441 0.5196
## lambda 1 0.405674 0.392876 1.0326 0.3018
## R-squared: 0.2843
## Equation 2
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 2 1.8871930 1.9497433 0.9679 0.33310
## PS 2
           0.1705918 0.1651996 1.0326 0.30179
## UE 2
              0.0099723 0.0497241 0.2006 0.84105
## lambda_2
             0.6971788 0.2942217 2.3696 0.01782 *
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.3604
## Equation 3
##
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)_3 6.881003 1.220794 5.6365 1.774e-08 ***
       ## PS 3
              ## UE_3
## lambda_3 -0.172457 0.178288 -0.9673
                                        0.3334
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.06152
## Equation 4
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 4 3.917895  0.369609 10.6001 < 2.2e-16 ***
          ## PS 4
## UE 4
             ## lambda_4
              0.023133 0.073747 0.3137
                                         0.7538
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.134
## Variance-Covariance Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
## 31.72416 20.95984 16.31181 13.23690
## 20.95984 53.75722 26.29607 19.95032
## 16.31181 26.29607 45.37777 19.69094
## 13.23690 19.95032 19.69094 38.89755
## Correlation Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
## 1.0000000 0.5075448 0.4299180 0.3768166
## 0.5075448 1.0000000 0.5324158 0.4362851
## 0.4299180 0.5324158 1.0000000 0.4686880
## 0.3768166 0.4362851 0.4686880 1.0000000
##
## R-sq. pooled: 0.1608
```

```
## Case G > 1, T > 1
## (G equations correlated, non-temporal correlations)
data(NCOVR,package="spsur")
N <- nrow(NCOVR)
Tm < -4
index time <- rep(1:Tm, each = N)</pre>
index_indiv <- rep(1:N, Tm)</pre>
pHR <- c(NCOVR$HR60, NCOVR$HR70, NCOVR$HR80, NCOVR$HR90)
pPS <- c(NCOVR$PS60, NCOVR$PS70, NCOVR$PS80, NCOVR$PS90)
pUE <- c(NCOVR$UE60, NCOVR$UE70, NCOVR$UE80, NCOVR$UE90)
pDV <- c(NCOVR $DV60, NCOVR$DV70, NCOVR$DV80, NCOVR$DV90)
pFP <- c(NCOVR$FP59, NCOVR$FP70, NCOVR$FP80, NCOVR$FP90)
pSOUTH <- rep(NCOVR$SOUTH, Tm)
pNCOVR <- data.frame(indiv = index_indiv, time = index_time,</pre>
                   HR = pHR, PS = pPS, UE = pUE,
                   DV = pDV, FP = pFP, SOUTH = pSOUTH)
rm(NCOVR,pHR,pPS,pUE,pDV,pFP,pSOUTH,index_time,index_indiv)
pform <- HR | DV | FP ~ PS + UE | PS + UE + SOUTH | PS
psur_slm <- spsurml(Form = pform, data = pNCOVR, W = W,</pre>
                  type = "slm", cov = TRUE,
                control = list(tol = 0.1, maxit = 200,
                                                                     trace = TRUE))
## Initial point: log_lik: -110108.7 lambdas: 0.512 0.722 0.677
## Iteration: 1 log lik: -101429.8 lambdas: 0.569 0.874 0.814
## Iteration: 2 log lik: -101177.6 lambdas: 0.575 0.889 0.828
## Iteration: 3 log lik: -101176.2 lambdas: 0.576 0.889 0.83
## Iteration: 4 log_lik: -101176.2 lambdas: 0.576 0.889 0.83
## Time to fit the model: 53.14 seconds
## Computing marginal test...
## Time to compute covariances: 120.86 seconds
summary(psur_slm)
## Call:
## spsurml(Form = pform, data = pNCOVR, W = W, type = "slm", cov = TRUE,
      control = list(tol = 0.1, maxit = 200, trace = TRUE))
##
##
##
## Spatial SUR model type: slm
##
## Equation 1
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)_1 1.4276023 0.1160053 12.3064 < 2.2e-16 ***
## PS 1
              ## UE_1
               ## lambda 1
             ## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.3369
## Equation 2
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 2 0.1080582 0.0223635 4.8319 1.358e-06 ***
                ## PS 2
## UE_2
                ## SOUTH 2
               -0.0033072 0.0171057 -0.1933
                                             0.8467
```

```
## lambda_2 0.8894981 0.0040782 218.1109 < 2.2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.8496
  Equation 3
##
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 3 6.1240859 0.1793894 34.139 < 2.2e-16 ***
## PS_3 -3.5753721 0.0865753 -41.298 < 2.2e-16 ***
## lambda_3
              ## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## R-squared: 0.7695
   Variance-Covariance Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
## 30.8081057 0.8012212 5.875745
  0.8012212 0.9483969 -1.317446
   5.8757453 -1.3174460 61.516789
## Correlation Matrix of inter-equation residuals:
## 1.0000000 0.1482262 0.1349689
## 0.1482262 1.0000000 -0.1724809
## 0.1349689 -0.1724809 1.0000000
##
## R-sq. pooled: 0.9011
## Log-Likelihood: -101176
## Breusch-Pagan: 863 p-value: (9.31e-187)
## LMM: 1543.7 p-value: (
```

## 6. Conclusion & work to do

- spsur is a powerful R-package to test, estimate and looking for the correct specification
- More functionalities estimation algorithm coming soon
  - GMM estimation
  - ML estimation with equal level of spatial dependence ( $\lambda/\rho$ =constant)
  - · Orthogonal demeaning for space-time SUR models
  - o ....
- Integration with infrastructure of well-known spatial econometrics packages (spatialreg, spdep,...)
- The spsur package is available in CRAN and GitHub [https://github.com/rominsal/spsur/]

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