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lgpr-package The 'lgpr' package.

#### **Description**

Longitudinal Gaussian Process regression. The package features

- · Additive Gaussian process modeling of longitudinal data
- Posterior inference of the model (hyper)parameters using Stan
- Computation of covariate relevances
- Specialized modeling of a non-stationary disease effect
- Functions for visualizing longitudinal data, posterior samples and model predictions
- Gaussian, Poisson, binomial or negative binomial observation models

#### Basic usage

- See the main function 1gp for creating and fitting additive longitudinal GP models.
- See tutorials at https://jtimonen.github.io/lgpr-usage/index.html

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```
add_categorical_covariate
```

Easily add a categorical covariate to a data frame

# Description

Easily add a categorical covariate to a data frame

### Usage

```
add_categorical_covariate(data, x, id_var = "id")
```

#### **Arguments**

data	the original	data frame
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x A named vector containing the category for each individual. The names should

specify the individual id.

id\_var name of the id variable in data

#### Value

A data frame with one column added. The new column will have same name as the variable passed as input x.

add_diseaseAges	Create the disease-related age covariate vector based on the disease
	initiation times and add it to the data frame

# Description

Create the disease-related age covariate vector based on the disease initiation times and add it to the data frame

#### Usage

```
add_diseaseAges(data, t_init, id_var = "id", time_var = "age")
```

### **Arguments**

data the original data fi
---------------------------

t\_init A named vector containing the observed initiation or onset time for each indi-

vidual. The names, i.e. names(t\_init), should specify the individual id.

id\_var name of the id variable in data time\_var name of the time variable in data

#### Value

A data frame with one column added. The new column will be called 'diseaseAge'. For controls, the value of diseaseAge will be set to NaN.

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add\_test\_caseIDs

Add case IDs to test data frame

# Description

Add case IDs to test data frame

# Usage

```
add_test_caseIDs(X_test, X_data)
```

# Arguments

X\_test test data frame
X\_data data frame

# Value

Updated X\_test data frame.

affected

 $Select\ the\ affected\ individuals$ 

# **Description**

Select the affected individuals

# Usage

```
affected(object, medians.return = FALSE, threshold = 0.5)
```

# Arguments

object An object of class lgpfit.

 ${\tt medians.return} \quad Should \ the \ medians \ of \ beta \ parameters \ also \ be \ returned?$ 

threshold A value that the median of beta has to exceed

### Value

A binary vector indicating the individuals for which the disease effect is inferred to exist.

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assess\_convergence

Assess convergence of the chains

# Description

Assess convergence of the chains

# Usage

```
assess_convergence(fit, skip_F_gen = TRUE)
```

# **Arguments**

```
\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{fit} & \mbox{An (incomplete) object of class 1gpfit.} \\ \mbox{skip\_F\_gen} & \mbox{Should F\_mean, F\_var etc. be ignored} \end{array}
```

# Value

A data frame with columns c("Rhat", "Bulk\_ESS", "Tail\_ESS").

average\_predictions

Average predictions over samples

# Description

Average predictions over samples

# Usage

```
average_predictions(LIST)
```

# **Arguments**

LIST

a list over samples

# Value

a list

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check\_data Validate the 'data' input to 1gp and resolve covariate types

# Description

Validate the 'data' input to 1gp and resolve covariate types

# Usage

```
check_data(data, varInfo, verbose)
```

# Arguments

data the data frame that was passed to lgp

varInfo variable type info

verbose can this print some info?

#### Value

a list

check\_formula Validate the formula of lgp

# Description

Checks if the input 'formula' to lgp\_model are valid with the given data

# Usage

```
check_formula(formula, data)
```

# **Arguments**

formula the formula that was passed to lgp\_model data the data frame that was passed to lgp\_model

### Value

nothing

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check\_hyperparameter\_names

An error message for wrong hyperparameter naming

# Description

An error message for wrong hyperparameter naming

# Usage

```
check_hyperparameter_names(dist, correct)
```

# Arguments

dist the distribution

correct the allowed hyperparameter names

#### Value

nothing

check\_varInfo

Check that variable types make sense

# Description

Check that variable types make sense

# Usage

```
check_varInfo(varInfo)
```

# **Arguments**

varInfo

a named list

# Value

nothing

```
{\tt component\_index\_to\_covariate\_index}
```

Component index to covariate index

# Description

Component index to covariate index

# Usage

```
component_index_to_covariate_index(D, idx)
```

# Arguments

D integer vector of length 6

idx integer

#### Value

an integer

```
{\tt component\_index\_to\_type}
```

Component index to component type

# Description

Component index to component type

# Usage

```
component_index_to_type(D, idx)
```

# Arguments

D integer vector of length 6

idx integer

# Value

an integer

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```
compute_kernel_matrices
```

Evaluate kernel matrices for each component

# Description

Used by compute\_predictions.

# Usage

```
compute_kernel_matrices(X1, X2, kernel_info)
```

# Arguments

X1 Covariate matrix of size n1 x sum(D).X2 Covariate matrix of size n2 x sum(D).kernel\_info A list of parameters and other kernel info.

#### Value

An array of size  $n1 \times n2 \times sum(D)$ .

compute\_lppd

Compute log-posterior predictive density at test points

# **Description**

Compute log-posterior predictive density at test points

# Usage

```
compute_lppd(PRED, y_test)
```

#### **Arguments**

PRED predictions

y\_test values of the response variable at the test points

### Value

```
a matrix with size n_samples x n_data
```

compute\_noise\_level 13

### **Description**

Determine noise level

#### Usage

```
compute_noise_level(pars, model, noise_method)
```

#### **Arguments**

pars A data frame representing one parameter sample, i.e one row of as.data.frame(stanfit),

where stanfit is an object of class stanfit

model An object of class lgpmodel noise\_method Noise level estimation method.

#### Value

a value between 0 and 1

compute\_predicted\_components

Compute component-wise predictions at test points

#### **Description**

Used by compute\_predictions.

# Usage

```
compute_predicted_components(KK, KKs, KKss, y_data, sigma_n, DELTA)
```

### **Arguments**

KK Kernel matrices data vs. data.
KKs Kernel matrices test vs. data.
KKss Kernel matrices test vs. test.

y\_data Response variable.

sigma\_n Noise standard deviation parameter.

DELTA Diagonal jitter that ensures pos. def. kernel.

#### Value

A list containing predicted means and variances.

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compute\_predictions

Compute component-wise predictions at test points

#### **Description**

```
Used by lgp_predict.
```

# Usage

```
compute_predictions(
   X_data,
   y_data,
   X_test,
   params,
   D,
   info,
   cnames,
   TSCL,
   handle_extra = "warning"
)
```

#### **Arguments**

X\_data Covariate matrix (data points).y\_data Response variable (data points).X\_test Covariate matrix (test points).

params Kernel function and other hyperparameters

D a vector of length 6 info other model info

cnames Names of the model components.

TSCL time scaling function and its inverse

handle\_extra What to do if test data contains individuals that are not in the training data? Must

be 'silent', 'warning' or 'error'.

#### Value

A list.

compute\_relevances

Compute component relevances and estimate amount of noise (one MCMC sample)

# Description

Compute component relevances and estimate amount of noise (one MCMC sample)

### Usage

```
compute_relevances(pars, model, method, noise_method)
```

# Arguments

pars A data frame representing one parameter sample, i.e one row of as.data.frame(stanfit),

where stanfit is an object of class stanfit

model An object of class 1gpmodel

method Relevance determination method. Must be either "f\_mean" or "alpha".

noise\_method Noise level estimation method.

#### Value

```
a matrix of size 1 x n_components + 1
```

compute\_relevances\_alpha

The alpha relevance determination method

# Description

The alpha relevance determination method

# Usage

```
compute_relevances_alpha(pars, model)
```

#### **Arguments**

pars A data frame representing one parameter sample, i.e one row of as.data.frame(stanfit),

where stanfit is an object of class stanfit

model An object of class lgpmodel

#### Value

a vector of length n\_components

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```
compute_relevances_fmean
```

The f\_mean relevance determination method

#### **Description**

The f\_mean relevance determination method

#### Usage

```
compute_relevances_fmean(pars, model)
```

#### **Arguments**

pars A data frame representing one parameter sample, i.e one row of as.data.frame(stanfit),

where stanfit is an object of class stanfit

model An object of class 1gpmodel

#### Value

```
a vector of length n\_components
```

```
create_covariates_stan
```

Create the covariate matrix that is given to stan

#### **Description**

Create the covariate matrix that is given to stan

#### Usage

```
create_covariates_stan(data, varInfo, types, formula, verbose)
```

### **Arguments**

data the data frame that was passed to 1gp

varInfo original variable type info

types the types returned by check\_data

formula the model formula

verbose can this print some info?

### Value

a list

create\_data\_plot\_df 17

# Description

A helper function for plot\_data.

# Usage

```
create_data_plot_df(data, hl_1, hl_2, hl_cont)
```

# **Arguments**

data a data frame

h1\_1 highlighting by colorh1\_2 highlighting by linestyleh1\_cont highlighting continuous

#### Value

an extended data frame

create\_example\_fit Create an example fit object

# Description

Create an example fit object

### Usage

```
create_example_fit(N = 4, t = 10 * c(1, 2, 3, 4, 5), iter = 100, chains = 1)
```

# **Arguments**

N number of individuals

t time points

iter number of iterations chains number of chains

#### Value

```
an object of class lgpfit
```

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create\_F

Simulate latent function components for longitudinal data analysis

#### **Description**

Simulate latent function components for longitudinal data analysis

#### Usage

```
create_F(
   X,
   covariates,
   relevances,
   lengthscales,
   X_affected,
   dis_fun,
   bin_kernel,
   steepness,
   vm_params,
   force_zeromean
)
```

#### **Arguments**

χ

input data matrix (generated by create\_X)

covariates

Integer vector that defines the types of covariates (other than id and age). Different integers correspond to the following covariate types:

- 0 = disease-related age
- 1 = other continuous covariate
- 2 = a categorical covariate that interacts with age
- 3 = a categorical covariate that acts as a group offset
- 4 = a categorical covariate that that acts as a group offset AND is restricted to have value 0 for controls and 1 for cases

relevances

Relative relevance of each component. Must have be a vector so that

length(relevances) = 2 + length(covariates).

First two values define the relevance of the infividual-specific age and shared age component, respectively.

lengthscales

A vector so that

length(lengthscales) = 2 + sum(covariates %in% c(0,1,2)).

X\_affected

which individuals are affected by the disease

dis\_fun

A function or a string that defines the disease effect. If this is a function, that function is used to generate the effect. If dis\_fun is "gp\_vm" or "gp\_ns", the disease component is drawn from a nonstationary GP prior (vm is the variance

masked version of it).

bin\_kernel

Should the binary kernel be used for categorical covariates? If this is TRUE, the effect will exist only for group 1.

steepness

Steepness of the input warping function. This is only used if the disease compo-

nent is in the model.

vm\_params Parameters of the variance mask function. This is only needed if useMaskedVarianceKernel

= TRUE.

force\_zeromean Should each component (excluding the disease age component) be forced to

have a zero mean?

#### Value

a data frame FFF where one column corresponds to one additive data component

create\_predictions\_plot\_df1

Create a plotting data frame for ggplot

### **Description**

A helper function for plot\_predictions.

#### Usage

```
create_predictions_plot_df1(fit, scale_f = TRUE, n_sds)
```

# Arguments

fit An object of class lgpfit.

scale\_f Should the predictions be scaled back to the original data scale?

n\_sds number of standard deviations for the uncertainty band width

### Value

a data frame

create\_predictions\_plot\_df2

Create a plotting data frame for ggplot

### Description

A helper function for  $plot\_predictions$ .

#### Usage

```
create_predictions_plot_df2(model, PRED, scale_f = TRUE, mode, n_sds)
```

#### **Arguments**

model An object of class 1gpmodel.

PRED Predictions computed using lgp\_predict.

scale\_f Should the predictions be scaled back to the original data scale?

mode mode

n\_sds number of standard deviations for the uncertainty band width

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#### Value

a data frame

### **Description**

 $A \ helper \ function \ for \ \verb|plot_simdata_by_component|.$ 

#### Usage

```
create_simdata_plot_df(simData)
```

### **Arguments**

simData

An object created using simulate\_data.

#### Value

a data frame

 ${\tt create\_stan\_input}$ 

Create input for Stan

# Description

Parses the formula and data input to lgp\_model. Also performs many input checks.

# Usage

```
create_stan_input(
  formula,
  data,
  prior,
  likelihood,
  varInfo,
  standardize,
  uncertain_effect_time,
  equal_effect,
  C_hat,
  DELTA,
  sample_F,
  verbose,
  variance_mask,
  N_trials,
  norm_factors,
  skip_gen_quant
```

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#### **Arguments**

formula

A formula of the form y ~ x1 + x2 + x3 defining the response variable y and covariates xi. The formula must contain exatly one tilde (~), with response variable on the left-hand side and covariates on the right-hand side. Covariates should be separated by a plus (+) sign. All variables that appear in the formula must exist as columns of data. Note that effects of categorical covariates are by default defined as interactions with time\_variable. If you wish to change this, see the argument offset\_vars. The subject identifier variable cannot currently be included in offset\_vars. If you wish to model the effect of id\_variable as a constant offset, you can create another covariate with the same values and use it in your formula and offset\_vars instead.

data A data frame containing the variables given in formula as columns.

prior A named list, defining the prior distribution of model (hyper)parameters. It is

recommended to first create this using the function  ${\tt prior\_default},$  and then

possibly modify it.

likelihood Determines the observation model. Must be either "Gaussian" (default), "Poisson",

"NB" (negative binomial) or "binomial". To use Bernoulli likelihood, use

likelihood="binomial" and set N\_trials as a vector of ones.

varInfo Variable type info.

standardize Should the response variable be standardized?

uncertain\_effect\_time

Do we wish to model uncertainty in the disease effect time?

C\_hat The constant GP mean. By default this is NULL, and set to

• C\_hat = 0, if likelihood is "Gaussian", because with Gaussian likelihood the response variable is by default centered to have zero mean.

• C\_hat = log(mean(y)) if likelihood is "Poisson" or "NB",

 C\_hat = log(p/(1-p)), where p = mean(y/N\_trials) if likelihood is "binomial"

Above, y denotes the response variable.

DELTA the amount of added jitter to ensure positive definiteness of the kernel

sample\_F Determines if the function values are be sampled (must be TRUE if likelihood is

not "Gaussian").

verbose Should more verbose output be printed?

variance\_mask Should a variance mask be used to force disease component variance to zero

before disease onset?

N\_trials This argument (number of trials) is only needed when likelihood is binomial.

Must have length one or equal to number of data points. Setting  $N_{trials}=1$ 

corresponds to Bernoulli observation model.

norm\_factors Normalizing factors for each data point. If not NULL, this must be a vector with

length dim(data)[1], specifying a multiplicative factor that scales the signal for the obsevation model at each data point. Setting this to NULL is effectively same as setting this to a vector of ones. With Gaussian likelihood, do not use

this, normalize the data beforehand instead.

skip\_gen\_quant If this is true, the generated quantities block of Stan is skipped.

create\_X

#### Value

A list containing the data to be given to rstan::sampling, some info about preprocessing and all the information about scaling the inputs and response, and updated variable type info.

create\_test\_points

Create a matrix of test points

# Description

Create a matrix of test points

### Usage

```
create_test_points(object, t_test)
```

# Arguments

object An object of class lgpmodel or lgpfit

t\_test Test time points (will be same for each individual).

# Value

A data frame.

create\_X

Simulate an input data frame X

# Description

Simulate an input data frame X

# Usage

```
create_X(
   N,
   covariates,
   names,
   n_categs,
   t_data,
   t_jitter,
   t_effect_range,
   continuous_info,
   verbose
)
```

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#### **Arguments**

N Number of individuals.

covariates

Integer vector that defines the types of covariates (other than id and age). If not given, only the id and age covariates are created. Different integers correspond to the following covariate types:

- 0 = disease-related age
- 1 = other continuous covariate
- 2 = a categorical covariate that interacts with age
- 3 = a categorical covariate that acts as a group offset
- 4 = a categorical covariate that that acts as a group offset AND is restricted to have value 0 for controls and 1 for cases

names Covariate names.

n\_categs An integer vector defining the number of categories for each categorical co-

variate, so that length(n\_categs) equals to the number of 2's and 3's in the

covariates vector.

t\_data Measurement times.

t\_jitter Standard deviation of the jitter added to the given measurement times.

t\_effect\_range Time interval from which the disease effect times are sampled uniformly. Alter-

natively, This can any function that returns the (possibly randomly generated)

real disease effect time for one individual.

continuous\_info

Info for generating continuous covariates. Must be a list containing fields lambda and mu, which have length 3. The continuous covariates are generated so that  $x < -\sin(a \times t + b) + c$ , where

- t < -seq(0, 2\*pi, length.out = k)
- a <-mu[1] + lambda[1]\*stats::runif(1)
- b <-mu[2] + lambda[2]\*stats::runif(1)
- c <-mu[3] + lambda[3]\*stats::runif(1)

verbose verbosity mode

#### Value

list(X,onsets,par\_cont)

create\_X\_star

Create X\_star

#### **Description**

Create X\_star

### Usage

```
create_X_star(X, D, t_test, SCL, X_notnan)
```

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### **Arguments**

X covariate matrix

D covariate type information

t\_test Test time points (will be same for each individual).

SCL time scaling function and its inverse

X\_notnan indicates where X\_diseaseAge is not NaN

#### Value

A data frame.

create\_y

Generate noisy observations

# Description

Generate noisy observations

### Usage

```
create_y(noise_type, f, snr, phi, N_trials)
```

#### **Arguments**

noise\_type Either "Gaussian", "Poisson", NB" (negative binomial) or "binomial".

f The underlying signal.

snr The desired signal-to-noise ratio. This argument is valid only with

noise\_type = "Gaussian".

phi The dispersion parameter for negative binomial data. The variance is  $g + g^2/phi$ .

N\_trials The number of trials parameter for binomial data.

#### Value

A list out, where

- out\$g is f mapped through an inverse link function and
- out\$y is the noisy response variable.

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disease\_effect

Draw disease component from a parameteric form

# Description

Draw disease component from a parameteric form

# Usage

```
disease_effect(X_id, X_disAge, dis_fun)
```

# **Arguments**

X\_id the id covariate

X\_disAge the diseaseAge covariate

dis\_fun the disease age effect function

#### Value

a vector

drawCategorical

Indepedently draw categorical variables for each individual

# Description

Indepedently draw categorical variables for each individual

# Usage

```
drawCategorical(N, k, v)
```

# Arguments

N number of individuals k number of timepoints

v vector of numbers of different categories

# Value

```
a matrix of size N x D, where D <-length(v)
```

drawContinuous

Indepedently draw continuous variables for each individual

# Description

Indepedently draw continuous variables for each individual

# Usage

```
drawContinuous(N, k, D, mu, lambda)
```

# Arguments

N	number of individuals
k	number of timepoints
D	number of variables
mu	a vector of length 3
lambda	a vector of length 3

# Value

```
a matrix of size N x D
```

drawLatentComponents

Draw realizations of multivariate normals

# Description

Draw realizations of multivariate normals

# Usage

```
drawLatentComponents(KK)
```

# **Arguments**

KK

3D matrix where KK[,,j] is the jth kernel matrix

#### Value

a matrix FFF

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 $\ \ \, draw {\tt MeasurementTimes} \quad \textit{Draw the age covariate}$ 

# Description

Draw the age covariate

# Usage

```
drawMeasurementTimes(N, t_data, t_jitter)
```

#### **Arguments**

N number of individuals t\_data a vector of length k

t\_jitter Standard deviation of the jitter added to the given measurement times.

#### Value

```
a vector of length N*k
```

```
extract\_t\_effect\_samples
```

Extract samples of T\_effect

# Description

Extract samples of T\_effect

# Usage

```
extract_t_effect_samples(fit)
```

# Arguments

fit an object of class lgpfit

# Value

a matrix

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full\_model

Create a full model with all covariates included

# Description

Create a full model with all covariates included

# Usage

```
full_model(data, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

```
data a data frame
```

... additional parameters to lgp\_model

# Value

a ggplot object

full\_model\_formula

Get formula of a full model with all covariates included

# Description

Get formula of a full model with all covariates included

# Usage

```
full_model_formula(data)
```

# **Arguments**

data

a data frame, where the response variable is the last column

# Value

a formula

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get\_case\_ids

Get case ids in original data

# Description

Get case ids in original data

# Usage

```
get_case_ids(fit)
```

# **Arguments**

fit

an object of class lgpfit

#### Value

a character vector

get\_case\_row\_mappings Create case ID to rows and back mappings

# Description

Create mappings

- from case ID to data rows (caseID\_to\_rows, caseID\_nrows)
- from row number to case ID (row\_to\_caseID)

# Usage

```
get_case_row_mappings(X_notnan, X_id, only_R2C = FALSE)
```

# **Arguments**

X\_notnan binary vector indicating if diseaseAge is available for that measurement

X\_id the id covariate in X

only\_R2C should this return only the rows-to-caseID mapping

#### Value

a list

get\_diseased\_info

Get some variables related to diseased individuals

#### **Description**

Get some variables related to diseased individuals

#### Usage

```
get_diseased_info(D, X, X_notnan, uncertain_effect_time, equal_effect, TSCL)
```

#### **Arguments**

D an integer vector of length 6

X the design matrix

X\_notnan a binary vector of length n

uncertain\_effect\_time

Boolean value

equal\_effect Boolean value

TSCL time scaling function and its inverse

#### Value

a list

```
get_function_components_from_df
```

Get values of function components at data points, for one MCMC sample

### **Description**

Get values of function components at data points, for one MCMC sample

# Usage

```
get_function_components_from_df(pars, model)
```

#### **Arguments**

pars A data frame representing one parameter sample, i.e one row of as.data.frame(stanfit),

where stanfit is an object of class stanfit

model An object of class lgpmodel

#### Value

A matrix of size  $n_{ata} x n_{components+2}$ 

```
get_function_components_from_df_all
```

Get values of function components at data points

# Description

Get values of function components at data points

#### Usage

```
get_function_components_from_df_all(df, model)
```

# Arguments

df A stanfit object as data frame, obtained as as.data.frame(stanfit)

model An object of class 1gpmodel

#### Value

An array of size n\_samples x n\_data x n\_components+2

get\_g\_from\_f

Get signal on data scale from process f

# Description

Get signal on data scale from process f

### Usage

```
get_g_from_f(f, model)
```

# Arguments

f A vector

model an object of class lgpmodel

### Value

A vector g

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get\_model\_dims

Get some dimension variables that the Stan model needs as input

# Description

Get some dimension variables that the Stan model needs as input

# Usage

```
get_model_dims(X, D)
```

# Arguments

X the design matrix

D a vector of length 6

#### Value

a list

get\_obs\_onset\_times

Extract observed disease onset times from diseaseAge covariate vector

# Description

Extract observed disease onset times from diseaseAge covariate vector

# Usage

```
get_obs_onset_times(id, age, disAge)
```

#### **Arguments**

id the id covariate, vector of length nage the age covariate, vector of length n

disAge the observed disease-related age covariate, vector of length n

#### Value

vector of observed onset times

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get_onset_info	Get disease onset info
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# Description

This returns

- a vector of observed onsets
- mapping from case ID to average sampling interval before the observed disease onset

# Usage

```
get_onset_info(D, X, MAPS, TSCL)
```

#### **Arguments**

D an integer vector of length 6

X the design matrix

MAPS mappings created by get\_case\_row\_mappings

TSCL time scaling function and its inverse

# Value

two vectors of length N\_cases

```
get_pkg_description Get lgpr version description
```

# Description

Get lgpr version description

# Usage

```
get_pkg_description()
```

#### Value

package description

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get\_predicted

A helper function

# Description

A helper function

# Usage

```
get_predicted(fit)
```

# Arguments

fit

An (incomplete) object of class lgpfit.

# Value

a list

get\_prior\_params

Get prior parameters

# Description

Get prior parameters

# Usage

```
get_prior_params(dist, add_correct)
```

# **Arguments**

dist the distribution

add\_correct additional correct parameter names

# Value

a hyperparameter vector of length 2

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get\_prior\_type

A dictionary from distribution names to integer encoding

# Description

A dictionary from distribution names to integer encoding

# Usage

```
get_prior_type(type)
```

# Arguments

type type of the distribution as a string

#### Value

an integer

get\_response

Get the (scaled) response variable

# Description

Gets and possibly scales the response variable.

# Usage

```
get_response(data, varInfo, standardize, LH)
```

# Arguments

data the data frame given as input to 1gp

varInfo variable type info

standardize should the response be standardized to unit variance and zero mean

LH likelihood as integer

### Value

a list with the (scaled) response variable

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get\_runtime

Get average runtime of a chain

#### **Description**

Get average runtime of a chain

#### Usage

```
get_runtime(object)
```

# Arguments

object

An object of class lgpfit.

#### Value

Average runtimes for warmup and sampling

get\_stan\_model

Get main stan model of the package

# Description

Get main stan model of the package

# Usage

```
get_stan_model()
```

# Value

an object of class stanmodel

 ${\tt get\_transform\_type}$ 

A dictionary from transform names to integer encoding

#### **Description**

A dictionary from transform names to integer encoding

# Usage

```
get_transform_type(type)
```

#### **Arguments**

type

Type of the transform as a string. Allowed arguments are "none" or "square". If NULL, "none" is used.

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### Value

```
an integer (0, 1 or 2)
```

hyperparam\_estimate

Get a posterior estimate of model (hyper)parameters

### Description

Get a posterior estimate of model (hyper)parameters

# Usage

```
hyperparam_estimate(object, type = "mean")
```

### **Arguments**

object An (incomplete) object of class lgpfit.
type Must be "mean", "median", or "map".

### Value

a data frame

hyperparam\_samples

Get a set of model (hyper)parameter samples

### Description

Get a set of model (hyper)parameter samples

# Usage

```
hyperparam_samples(object, samples = NULL)
```

# Arguments

object An (incomplete) object of class lgpfit.

samples Sample indices. If NULL, all samples are taken.

# Value

a data frame

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idx\_to\_cont\_index

Component index to how manyth continuous covariate it is

### Description

Component index to how manyth continuous covariate it is

### Usage

```
idx_to_cont_index(D, idx)
```

# Arguments

D integer vector of length 6

idx an integer

### Value

an integer

kernel\_beta

Compute the multiplier matrix  $K_{\text{beta}}$  (to eneable heterogeneous disease effect)

### Description

Compute the multiplier matrix K\_beta (to eneable heterogeneous disease effect)

### Usage

```
kernel_beta(beta, row_to_caseID_1, row_to_caseID_2)
```

### **Arguments**

```
beta a row vector of length N_cases

row_to_caseID_1

mapping from row index to case ID

row_to_caseID_2

mapping from row index to case ID
```

#### Value

a matrix

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	kernel_bin	Compute a binary kernel matrix	
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### **Description**

Compute a binary kernel matrix

### Usage

```
kernel_bin(x1, x2 = NULL, alpha = 1, pos_class = 1)
```

### **Arguments**

```
    x1 (integer) vector of length n
    x2 (integer) vector of length m
    alpha marginal std (default = 1)
    pos_class the positive class label
```

### Value

A kernel matrix of size n x m

kernel_ns	Compute a nonstationary kernel matrix using input warping

# Description

Compute a nonstationary kernel matrix using input warping

### Usage

```
kernel_ns(x1, x2 = NULL, alpha = 1, ell, a, b, c, nan_replace = 0)
```

# Arguments

x1	vector of length n
x2	vector of length m
alpha	marginal std (default = 1)
ell	lengthscale in the warped space
а	steepness of the warping function rise
b	location of the effective time window
С	maximum range
nan_replace	the value to use for replacing NaN values

#### Value

A kernel matrix of size n x m

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Compute a squared exponential kernel matrix

### **Description**

Compute a squared exponential kernel matrix

## Usage

```
kernel_se(x1, x2, alpha = 1, ell = 1)
```

### **Arguments**

x1	vector of length n
x2	vector of length m
alpha	marginal std (default = $1$ )
ell	lengthscale (default = 1)

### Value

A kernel matrix of size n x m

kernel\_var\_mask

Compute the variance mask kernel matrix

# Description

Compute the variance mask kernel matrix

### Usage

```
kernel_var_mask(disAge1, disAge2, vm_params, stp, nan_replace = 0)
```

### **Arguments**

disAge1 disease-related age covariate vector of length n1 disAge2 disease-related age covariate vector of length n2

vm\_params vector of two mask function parameters

stp input warping steepness

nan\_replace value to replace nans in disAge vectors

#### Value

```
a matrix of size n1 x n2
```

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kernel\_zerosum

Compute a zero-sum kernel matrix

### **Description**

Compute a zero-sum kernel matrix

### Usage

```
kernel\_zerosum(x1, x2, M, alpha = 1)
```

### **Arguments**

```
    x1 (integer) vector of length n
    x2 (integer) vector of length m
    M number of categories
    alpha marginal std (default = 1)
```

#### Value

A (binary) kernel matrix of size n x m

lgp

The main function of the 'lgpr' package

### **Description**

This is a wrapper for both lgp\_model and lgp\_fit. It first creates an lgpmodel object and then fits the model, finally returning an lgpfit object. Note that the covariate types are automatically inferred from the given data. If you wish to change these, see the arguments

- id\_variable
- time\_variable
- disAge\_variable
- continuous\_vars and
- categorical\_vars.

### Usage

```
lgp(
  formula,
  data,
  likelihood = "Gaussian",
  prior = prior_default(),
  uncertain_effect_time = FALSE,
  equal_effect = TRUE,
  id_variable = "id",
  time_variable = "age",
```

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```
disAge_variable = NULL,
 continuous_vars = NULL,
 categorical_vars = NULL,
 offset_vars = NULL,
 C_{hat} = NULL
 DELTA = 1e-08,
 sample_F = NULL,
 parallel = FALSE,
  skip_postproc = FALSE,
  threshold = 0.95,
 variance_mask = TRUE,
 N_trials = NULL,
 norm_factors = NULL,
 relevance_method = "f_mean",
 verbose = FALSE,
)
```

#### **Arguments**

formula

A formula of the form y ~ x1 + x2 + x3 defining the response variable y and covariates xi. The formula must contain exatly one tilde (~), with response variable on the left-hand side and covariates on the right-hand side. Covariates should be separated by a plus (+) sign. All variables that appear in the formula must exist as columns of data. Note that effects of categorical covariates are by default defined as interactions with time\_variable. If you wish to change this, see the argument offset\_vars. The subject identifier variable cannot currently be included in offset\_vars. If you wish to model the effect of id\_variable as a constant offset, you can create another covariate with the same values and use it in your formula and offset\_vars instead.

data

A data frame containing the variables given in formula as columns.

likelihood

Determines the observation model. Must be either "Gaussian" (default), "Poisson", "NB" (negative binomial) or "binomial". To use Bernoulli likelihood, use likelihood="binomial" and set N\_trials as a vector of ones.

prior

A named list, defining the prior distribution of model (hyper)parameters. It is recommended to first create this using the function prior\_default, and then possibly modify it.

uncertain\_effect\_time

Do we wish to model uncertainty in the disease effect time?

id\_variable Name of the unique subject identifier variable (default = "id").

time\_variable Name of the time variable (default = "age").

disAge\_variable

Name of the disease-related age variable. If NULL (default), this will be chosen to be "diseaseAge", if such covariate is found in the data.

continuous\_vars

Names of other continuous covariates. If NULL, the remaining covariates that have floating point values are interpreted as continuous.

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categorical\_vars

Names of categorical covariates that interact with the time variable. If NULL (default), the remaining covariates that have integer values are interpreted as categorical.

offset\_vars

Names of the categorical covariates that are treated as time-independent group offsets. If NULL (default), no variables are interpreted as such covariates.

C\_hat

The constant GP mean. By default this is NULL, and set to

- C\_hat = 0, if likelihood is "Gaussian", because with Gaussian likelihood the response variable is by default centered to have zero mean.
- C\_hat = log(mean(y)) if likelihood is "Poisson" or "NB",
- C\_hat = log(p/(1-p)), where p = mean(y/N\_trials) if likelihood is "binomial"

Above, y denotes the response variable.

DELTA the amount of added jitter to ensure positive definiteness of the kernel

sample\_F Determines if the function values are be sampled (must be TRUE if likelihood is

not "Gaussian").

parallel Determines if the chain will be run in parallel (default = FALSE). If TRUE, then

Stan is run by first defining options(mc.cores = parallel::detectCores()).

skip\_postproc In this mode the postprocessing after running Stan is skipped.

threshold Component selection threshold for relevance sum.

variance\_mask Should a variance mask be used to force disease component variance to zero

before disease onset?

N\_trials This argument (number of trials) is only needed when likelihood is binomial.

Must have length one or equal to number of data points. Setting N\_trials=1

corresponds to Bernoulli observation model.

norm\_factors Normalizing factors for each data point. If not NULL, this must be a vector with

length dim(data)[1], specifying a multiplicative factor that scales the signal for the obsevation model at each data point. Setting this to NULL is effectively same as setting this to a vector of ones. With Gaussian likelihood, do not use

this, normalize the data beforehand instead.

relevance\_method

Component relevance determination method. Must be either "f\_mean" or "alpha".

verbose Should more verbose output be printed?

Optional arguments passed to rstan::sampling, for example iter, chains or

control. See sampling for the possible arguments.

#### Value

An object of class lgpfit.

lgpfit-class

*An S4 class to represent the output of the* lgp\_fit function

### **Description**

An S4 class to represent the output of the lgp\_fit function

#### **Slots**

```
stan_fit The stanfit object returned by rstan::sampling.
model The lgpmodel object returned by lgp_model.
relevances Inferred component relevances.
selection Component selection info.
pkg_version Package version number.
diagnostics A data frame with columns c("Rhat", "Bulk_ESS", "Tail_ESS").
```

lgpmodel-class

An S4 class to represent an lgp model

#### **Description**

An S4 class to represent an lgp model

#### **Slots**

```
data The original unmodified data frame.
stan_dat The data to be given as input to rstan::sampling.
scalings Preprocessing scaling functions and their inverse operations.
info Model info.
```

lgp\_component\_names

Get names of model components

# Description

Get names of model components

### Usage

```
lgp_component_names(stan_dat)
```

### **Arguments**

stan\_dat

The data that was passed to rstan::sampling

#### Value

names of model components

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lgp\_covariate\_names Get names of model covariates

#### **Description**

Get names of model covariates

### Usage

```
lgp_covariate_names(stan_dat)
```

### **Arguments**

stan\_dat The data that was passed to rstan::sampling

#### Value

names of model components

lgp\_fit

Fit an lgp model

### **Description**

Samples the posterior of an additive Gaussian process regression model using rstan.

### Usage

```
lgp_fit(
  model,
  threshold = 0.95,
  parallel = FALSE,
  skip_postproc = FALSE,
  relevance_method = "f_mean",
  verbose = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

# Arguments

model An object of class 1gpmodel.

threshold Component selection threshold for relevance sum.

parallel Determines if the chain will be run in parallel (default = FALSE). If TRUE, then

Stan is run by first defining options(mc.cores = parallel::detectCores()).

skip\_postproc In this mode the postprocessing after running Stan is skipped.

relevance\_method

Component relevance determination method. Must be either "f\_mean" or "alpha".

verbose should some output be printed?

... Optional arguments passed to rstan::sampling, for example iter, chains or

control. See sampling for the possible arguments.

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#### Value

An object of class lgpfit.

#### See Also

For the possible additional arguments, see sampling. For creating the lgpmodel input, see lgp\_model.

lgp\_model

Create an lgp model

#### **Description**

Creates an object of class lgpmodel

#### Usage

```
lgp_model(
  formula,
 data,
 likelihood = "Gaussian",
 prior = prior_default(),
  uncertain_effect_time = FALSE,
  equal_effect = TRUE,
 C_{hat} = NULL,
 DELTA = 1e-08,
  sample_F = NULL,
  id_variable = "id",
  time_variable = "age",
 disAge_variable = NULL,
  continuous_vars = NULL,
  categorical_vars = NULL,
 offset_vars = NULL,
  variance_mask = TRUE,
 N_trials = NULL,
 norm_factors = NULL,
  skip_gen_quant = FALSE,
  verbose = FALSE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

formula

A formula of the form y ~ x1 + x2 + x3 defining the response variable y and covariates xi. The formula must contain exatly one tilde (~), with response variable on the left-hand side and covariates on the right-hand side. Covariates should be separated by a plus (+) sign. All variables that appear in the formula must exist as columns of data. Note that effects of categorical covariates are by default defined as interactions with time\_variable. If you wish to change this, see the argument offset\_vars. The subject identifier variable cannot currently be included in offset\_vars. If you wish to model the effect of id\_variable as a constant offset, you can create another covariate with the same values and use it in your formula and offset\_vars instead.

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data A data frame containing the variables given in formula as columns.

likelihood Determines the observation model. Must be either "Gaussian" (default), "Poisson",

"NB" (negative binomial) or "binomial". To use Bernoulli likelihood, use

likelihood="binomial" and set N\_trials as a vector of ones.

prior A named list, defining the prior distribution of model (hyper)parameters. It is

recommended to first create this using the function prior\_default, and then

possibly modify it.

uncertain\_effect\_time

Do we wish to model uncertainty in the disease effect time?

C\_hat The constant GP mean. By default this is NULL, and set to

• C\_hat = 0, if likelihood is "Gaussian", because with Gaussian likelihood the response variable is by default centered to have zero mean.

• C\_hat = log(mean(y)) if likelihood is "Poisson" or "NB",

 C\_hat = log(p/(1-p)), where p = mean(y/N\_trials) if likelihood is "binomial"

Above, y denotes the response variable.

DELTA the amount of added jitter to ensure positive definiteness of the kernel

sample\_F Determines if the function values are be sampled (must be TRUE if likelihood is

not "Gaussian").

id\_variable Name of the unique subject identifier variable (default = "id").

time\_variable Name of the time variable (default = "age").

disAge\_variable

Name of the disease-related age variable. If NULL (default), this will be chosen to be "diseaseAge", if such covariate is found in the data.

continuous\_vars

Names of other continuous covariates. If NULL, the remaining covariates that have floating point values are interpreted as continuous.

categorical\_vars

Names of categorical covariates that interact with the time variable. If NULL (default), the remaining covariates that have integer values are interpreted as categorical.

offset\_vars Names of the categorical covariates that are treated as time-independent group

offsets. If NULL (default), no variables are interpreted as such covariates.

variance\_mask Should a variance mask be used to force disease component variance to zero

before disease onset?

N\_trials This argument (number of trials) is only needed when likelihood is binomial.

Must have length one or equal to number of data points. Setting N\_trials=1

corresponds to Bernoulli observation model.

length dim(data)[1], specifying a multiplicative factor that scales the signal for the obsevation model at each data point. Setting this to NULL is effectively same as setting this to a vector of ones. With Gaussian likelihood, do not use

this, normalize the data beforehand instead.

skip\_gen\_quant If this is true, the generated quantities block of Stan is skipped.

verbose Should more verbose output be printed?

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#### Value

An object of class 1gpmode1.

#### See Also

For fitting the model, see lgp\_fit.

lgp\_predict

Compute predictions for a fitted model

#### **Description**

Compute predictions for a fitted model. Only possible for models with Gaussian likelihood.

### Usage

```
lgp_predict(
  fit,
  X_test,
  samples = "map",
  print_progress = TRUE,
  print_params = FALSE
)
```

### **Arguments**

fit An object of class lgpfit.

X\_test The test points where the predictions should be computed.

samples The predictions can be computed either by using only the posterior mean

(samples="mean"), median (samples="median"), or MAP (samples="map") parameters, or for all parameter samples (samples="all"). This can also be a set of indices, for example samples=c(1:10) gives predictions for the parame-

ter samples 1...10.

print\_progress Should progress be printed (if there is more than one sample)?

print\_params Should the parameter values be printed? (only works if samples is mean or

median.)

#### Value

A list.

### See Also

- For creating an lgpfit object, see lgp\_fit.
- For creating an lgpmodel object, see lgp\_model.

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lgp\_test

Compute predictions and log-posterior predictive density at test points

### **Description**

This is a convenience function that wraps lgp\_predict, compute\_lppd and plot\_posterior\_y.

### Usage

```
lgp_test(fit, test_data, plot = FALSE, verbose = TRUE, samples = "mean")
```

### **Arguments**

fit an object of class lgpfit

test\_data a test data matrix

plot should this return also a plot of the data and predictions?

verbose Should this print progress?

samples Sample indices or a keyword "mean", "median", "map", or "all".

#### Value

a ggplot object or lppd

likelihood\_as\_int

Convert likelihood string to Stan encoding

### Description

Convert likelihood string to Stan encoding

### Usage

```
likelihood_as_int(likelihood)
```

# Arguments

likelihood a string

### Value

an integer

likelihood\_as\_str

Convert the Stan likelihood encoding to a string

# Description

Convert the Stan likelihood encoding to a string

### Usage

```
likelihood_as_str(LH)
```

## Arguments

LH

an integer

### Value

a string

log\_gaussian\_density Compute log-density for gaussian distribution

# Description

Compute log-density for gaussian distribution

# Usage

```
log_gaussian_density(x, mu, s2)
```

# Arguments

x point xmu means2 variance

# Value

a number

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matrix\_to\_df

Matrix to data frame without editing column names

# Description

Matrix to data frame without editing column names

### Usage

```
matrix_to_df(M)
```

# Arguments

М

a matrix

### Value

a data frame

model\_info

Get model info

# Description

Get model info

# Usage

```
model_info(object, print = TRUE)
```

# Arguments

object

an object of class lgpmodel or lgpfit

print

should this print the info?

### Value

the info as a string

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nameComponents

Create names for all components based on covariate names and types

### Description

Create names for all components based on covariate names and types

### Usage

```
nameComponents(types, names)
```

### Arguments

types vector of covariate types names names of the covariates

### Value

a vector of component names

 $\verb"onsetsToDiseaseAge"$ 

Compute the disease-related ages

### **Description**

Compute the disease-related ages

### Usage

```
onsetsToDiseaseAge(onsets, age, k)
```

# Arguments

onsets true disease effect times, a vector of length N age the age covariate, a vector of length N\*k number of measurements per individual

### Value

the diseaseAge covariate, a vector of length N\*k

parse\_prior\_distribution

```
parse_prior_distribution
```

Turn a list describing a prior distribution into vectors to be given to Stan

### **Description**

Turn a list describing a prior distribution into vectors to be given to Stan

### Usage

```
parse_prior_distribution(dist, add_correct = NULL)
```

### **Arguments**

dist a list with field type, and possibly others add\_correct additional correct parameter names

### Value

a list with two vectors to be given to Stan

```
parse_prior_t_effect Turn a list describing an effect time distribution into things to be given to Stan
```

### **Description**

Turn a list describing an effect time distribution into things to be given to Stan

#### Usage

```
parse_prior_t_effect(dist, N_cases, T_observed, T_last, UNCRT)
```

### **Arguments**

dist This is prior\$effect, where prior is an argument of lgp\_model

N\_cases number of case individuals

T\_observed observed disease onsets / initiation times
T\_last last time point for each diseased individual

UNCRT 0 or 1

### Value

a list with things to be given to Stan

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```
plot,lgpfit,ANY-method
```

Visualize a fitted 'lgpfit' object

### Description

Visualize a fitted 'lgpfit' object

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'lgpfit,ANY'
plot(fit, x = 1, y = 1, color_scheme = "red")
```

### Arguments

fit an object of class lgpfit

x does nothingy does nothing

color\_scheme bayesplot color scheme

### Value

a ggplot object

plot\_beta

Visualize posterior samples of individual-specific disease effect magnitude parameters

# Description

Can only be used if the disease effect was modeled heterogeneously.

# Usage

```
plot_beta(fit, color_scheme = "red", threshold = 0.5)
```

### **Arguments**

fit An object of class lgpfit.

color\_scheme Name of bayesplot color scheme.

threshold Threshold for median.

#### Value

```
a ggplot object
```

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plot\_component Helper function for plotting one component

### **Description**

Helper function for plotting one component

### Usage

```
plot_component(
   MMM,
   SSS,
   model,
   idx,
   time_is_xvar,
   linealpha,
   linetype,
   fill_alpha,
   X_test,
   marker,
   sum_highlight,
   viridis_option
)
```

### **Arguments**

a n array of size n\_samples x n\_data x n\_components MMM SSS a n array of size n\_samples x n\_data x n\_components model an object of class 'lgpmodel' idx Index of component to be plotted. time\_is\_xvar is the time variable the x-axis variable linealpha line alpha linetype line type fill\_alpha fill alpha for geom\_ribbons X\_test optional matrix of test points

marker point type

sum\_highlight name of a categorical covariate to be highlighted

viridis\_option the option argument of ggplot2::scale\_colour\_viridis\_c by colour in the

sum plot

#### Value

```
a ggplot object
```

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plot\_components

Helper function for plotting components

### **Description**

Helper function for plotting components

### Usage

```
plot_components(
  MMM,
  SSS,
  model,
  time_is_xvar,
  X_{test} = NULL,
  sum_highlight = NULL,
  linealpha = 1,
  linetype = 1,
  fill_alpha = 0.3,
  marker = NULL,
  ncol = NULL,
  nrow = NULL,
  legend = NULL,
  labels = NULL,
  ylim = NULL,
  font_size = 9,
  theme = ggplot2::theme_linedraw(),
  legend_dir = "horizontal",
  xlabel = NULL,
  ylabel = " ",
  viridis_option = "viridis",
  return_list = FALSE
```

### **Arguments**

nrow

MMM	a n array of size n_samples x n_data x n_components
SSS	a n array of size n_samples x n_data x n_components
model	an object of class 'lgpmodel'
time_is_xvar	is the time variable the x-axis variable
X_test	optional matrix of test points
sum_highlight	name of a categorical covariate to be highlighted
linealpha	line alpha
linetype	line type
fill_alpha	fill alpha for geom_ribbons
marker	point type
ncol	number of plot columns

number of plot rows

legend legend argument for ggarrange, use "none" to remove legends

labels labels argument for ggarrange

ylim y axis limits
font\_size font size for plots
theme ggplot theme
legend\_dir direction of legend

xlabel x-axis label ylabel y-axis label

viridis\_option the option argument of ggplot2::scale\_colour\_viridis\_c by colour in the

sum plot

return\_list should this return a list of ggplot objects instead of doing ggarrange

#### Value

an object returned by ggpubr::ggarrange or list

```
plot_components_posterior
```

Visualize inferred components

### **Description**

Visualize inferred components

#### Usage

```
plot_components_posterior(
   fit,
   subsamples = NULL,
   time_is_xvar = TRUE,
   PRED = NULL,
   marker = NULL,
   sample_idx = 1,
   n_sd = 2,
   ...
)
```

### **Arguments**

fit An object of class lgpfit.

subsamples How many samples to plot. If this is NULL, average over all samples is plotted.

If this is "all", all samples are plotted.

time\_is\_xvar is the time variable the x-axis variable in all subplots?

PRED object returned by lgp\_predict

marker point type

sample\_idx Which sample to plot.

n\_sd number of standard deviations (ribbon width)... additional arguments for plot\_components

#### Value

an object returned by ggpubr::ggarrange or a list of ggplot2 objects

```
{\it Plot\_components\_posterior\_sub1} \\ {\it Helper for} \ {\it plot\_components\_posterior}
```

### **Description**

```
Helper for plot_components_posterior
```

### Usage

```
plot_components_posterior_sub1(fit, subsamples, time_is_xvar, marker, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

fit An object of class lgpfit.

subsamples How many samples to plot. If this is NULL, average over all samples is plotted.

If this is "all", all samples are plotted.

time\_is\_xvar is the time variable the x-axis variable in all subplots?

marker point type

... additional arguments for plot\_components

### Value

an object returned by ggpubr::ggarrange or a list

```
{\it Pelper for} \ {\tt plot\_components\_posterior\_sub2} \\ {\it Helper for} \ {\tt plot\_components\_posterior}
```

### Description

```
Helper for plot_components_posterior
```

#### Usage

```
plot_components_posterior_sub2(fit, PRED, sample_idx, time_is_xvar, n_sd, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

```
fit An object of class lgpfit.

PRED object returned by lgp_predict
```

sample\_idx Which sample to plot.

time\_is\_xvar is the time variable the x-axis variable in all subplots?

n\_sd number of standard deviations (ribbon width)... additional arguments for plot\_components

#### Value

```
an object returned by ggpubr::ggarrange or a list
```

```
plot_components_simdata
```

Visualize the components of a simulated data set

### Description

Visualize the components of a simulated data set

#### Usage

```
plot_components_simdata(simData, time_is_xvar = TRUE, marker = 16, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

```
simData simulated data object (list)
time_is_xvar is the time variable the x-axis variable in all subplots?
marker point marker
... additional arguments for plot_components
```

#### Value

an object returned by ggpubr::ggarrange or list

plot\_data

A spaghetti plot of longitudinal data.

## Description

A spaghetti plot of longitudinal data.

### Usage

```
plot_data(
  data,
  highlight = NULL,
  response = "y",
  id_variable = "id",
  time_variable = "age",
  psize = 2,
  lwd = 0.5,
  title = NULL
)
```

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### **Arguments**

data A data frame.

highlight Name of a covariate to be highlighted with color, or id of a subject to be high-

lighted.

response Name of the response variable.

id\_variable Name of id variable.time\_variable Name of time variable.

psize point size lwd line width

title additional string added to title

### Value

a ggplot object

plot\_data\_hl\_cat A spaghetti plot of longitudinal data, highlighting a categorical co-

variate.

### Description

A spaghetti plot of longitudinal data, highlighting a categorical covariate.

### Usage

```
plot_data_hl_cat(
  data,
  highlight = NULL,
  response = "y",
  id_variable = "id",
  time_variable = "age",
  psize = 2,
  lwd = 0.5
)
```

# Arguments

data A data frame.

highlight Name of a categorical covariate to be highlighted with color.

response Name of the response variable.

id\_variable Name of id variable.time\_variable Name of time variable.

psize point size lwd line width

### Value

a ggplot object

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### Description

A spaghetti plot of longitudinal data, highlighting a continuous covariate.

### Usage

```
plot_data_hl_cont(
  data,
  highlight = NULL,
  response = "y",
  id_variable = "id",
  time_variable = "age",
  psize = 2,
  lwd = 0.5,
  colgrad = ggplot2::scale_colour_gradient2()
)
```

### **Arguments**

data A data frame.

highlight Name of a continuous covariate to be highlighted with color.

response Name of the response variable.

id\_variable Name of id variable.time\_variable Name of time variable.

psize point size
lwd line width
colgrad color gradient

### Value

a ggplot object

plot\_data\_hl\_disease A spaghetti plot of longitudinal data, highlighting based on disease group.

# Description

A spaghetti plot of longitudinal data, highlighting based on disease group.

#### Usage

```
plot_data_hl_disease(
   data,
   highlight = "diseaseAge",
   response = "y",
   id_variable = "id",
   time_variable = "age",
   psize = 2,
   lwd = 0.5
)
```

### Arguments

data A data frame.

highlight Name of the disease-related age variable.

response Name of the response variable.

id\_variable Name of id variable.time\_variable Name of time variable.

psize point size lwd line width

#### Value

a ggplot object

```
plot_data_hl_individual
```

A spaghetti plot of longitudinal data, highlighting one individual.

# Description

A spaghetti plot of longitudinal data, highlighting one individual.

### Usage

```
plot_data_hl_individual(
  data,
  highlight = 1,
  response = "y",
  id_variable = "id",
  time_variable = "age",
  psize = 2,
  lwd = 0.5
)
```

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### **Arguments**

data A data frame.

highlight Number indicating the individual to highlight.

response Name of the response variable.

id\_variable Name of id variable.time\_variable Name of time variable.

psize point size lwd line width

#### Value

a ggplot object

plot\_data\_plain

A spaghetti plot of longitudinal data without highlighting.

### **Description**

A spaghetti plot of longitudinal data without highlighting.

### Usage

```
plot_data_plain(
  data,
  response = "y",
  id_variable = "id",
  time_variable = "age",
  psize = 2,
  lwd = 0.5
)
```

### **Arguments**

data A data frame.

response Name of the response variable.

id\_variable Name of id variable.time\_variable Name of time variable.

psize point size lwd line width

#### Value

a ggplot object

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plot\_effect\_times

Visualize posterior uncertainty in the disease effect times

#### **Description**

Can only be used if the uncertainty of effect time was modeled.

#### Usage

```
plot_effect_times(
   fit,
   color_scheme = "red",
   prob = 1,
   prob_outer = 1,
   point_est = "none"
)
```

#### **Arguments**

fit An object of class lgpfit.
color\_scheme Name of bayesplot color scheme.

#### Value

a ggplot object

plot\_inputwarp

Visualize the input warping function for different parameter samples

### **Description**

Visualize the input warping function for different parameter samples

### Usage

```
plot_inputwarp(fit, p = 300, color_scheme = "red", b = 0, c = 1)
```

### Arguments

fit An object of class lgpfit.

p number of plot points

color\_scheme Name of bayesplot color scheme.

b location of the effective time window (default = 0)

c maximum range (default = 1)

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#### Value

```
a ggplot object
```

```
plot_posterior_f
```

Plot posterior of f

### Description

This is a wrapper for plot\_posterior\_predictions.

### Usage

```
plot_posterior_f(
    fit,
    PRED = NULL,
    plot_uncertainty = TRUE,
    data_marker = 16,
    n_sds = 2,
    ...
)
```

### **Arguments**

```
fit An object of class lgpfit.

PRED Predictions computed using lgp_predict.

plot_uncertainty
Should an uncertainty ribbon be plotted?

data_marker pch for data points

n_sds number of standard deviations for the uncertainty band width

... additional arguments to plot_posterior_predictions
```

### Value

```
a ggplot object
```

```
plot_posterior_predictions
```

Plot posterior of f or predictive distribution for y

# Description

Plot posterior of f or predictive distribution for y

#### Usage

```
plot_posterior_predictions(
  fit,
  mode,
  PRED = NULL,
  color_scheme = "red",
  color_scheme_t_effect = "gray",
  alpha = 0.5,
  alpha_line = 1,
  alpha2 = 0.5,
  plot_uncertainty = TRUE,
  title = NULL,
  ylim = NULL,
  plot_obs_onset = FALSE,
  plot_t_effect_samples = FALSE,
  ypos_dens = NULL,
  test_data = NULL,
  color_test = "deepskyblue2",
  pch_test = 21,
  size\_test = 2,
  error_bar = FALSE,
  n_sds = 2,
  reference_times = NULL,
  post_t_effect_stat = "none",
  original_y_scale = TRUE,
  data_color = "black",
  data_marker = 21,
  ons_linetypes = c(1, 2, 3),
  ons_linecolors = c("black", "red", "gray50")
```

### **Arguments**

```
fit
                  An object of class lgpfit.
                  Must be either "posterior" or "predictive".
mode
PRED
                  Predictions computed using lgp_predict.
                  Name of bayesplot color scheme or a list with fieds 'dark' and 'light'.
color_scheme
color_scheme_t_effect
                  color scheme name for effect time density plotting
alpha
                  Ribbon fill opacity.
alpha_line
                  Line opacity.
alpha2
                  alpha of t_onset density
plot_uncertainty
                  Should an uncertainty ribbon be plotted?
title
                  optional prefix to plot title
                  y axis limits
ylim
plot_obs_onset should the observed disease onset/initiation time be plotted by a vertical line
plot_t_effect_samples
                  should a distribution of sampled effect times be plotted
```

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```
ypos_dens
                  y-position of the density plot
                  Test data frame
test_data
color_test
                  test point color
pch_test
                  test point marker
                  test point size
size_test
                  should uncertainty be plotted using error bars instead of a ribbon
error_bar
n_sds
                  number of standard deviations for the uncertainty band width
reference_times
                  reference onset times
post_t_effect_stat
                  statistic computed from effect time samples (mean or median)
original_y_scale
                  should the predictions be scaled back to original data scale
data_color
                  data marker color
data_marker
                  data marker type
ons_linetypes
                  onset line types
ons_linecolors onset line colors
```

#### Value

a ggplot object

plot\_posterior\_y

Plot posterior predictive distribution

#### **Description**

This is a wrapper for plot\_posterior\_predictions.

### Usage

```
plot_posterior_y(
    fit,
    PRED,
    uncertainty = "ribbon",
    test_data = NULL,
    data_marker = 16,
    n_sds = 2,
    ...
)
```

#### **Arguments**

fit An object of class lgpfit.

PRED Predictions computed using lgp\_predict. uncertainty Either "none", "ribbon" or "errorbar".

test\_data Test data set.
data\_marker pch for data points

n\_sdsnumber of standard deviations for the uncertainty band widthadditional arguments to plot\_posterior\_predictions

#### Value

```
a ggplot object
```

### Description

NOTE: currently assumes that diseased individuals come first.

### Usage

```
plot_predictions_add_onsets(
    fit,
    h,
    plot_obs_onset,
    plot_t_effect_samples,
    idvar,
    timevar,
    ypos_dens,
    color_scheme_t_effect,
    reference_times,
    post_t_effect_stat,
    linetypes = c(1, 2, 3),
    linecolors = c("black", "red", "gray50"),
    alpha2 = 1
)
```

### **Arguments**

```
An object of class lgpfit.
fit
                  a ggplot object
plot_obs_onset a boolean value
plot_t_effect_samples
                  a boolean value
                  id variable name
idvar
                  time variable name
timevar
                  y position of the estimated onset density
ypos_dens
color\_scheme\_t\_effect
                  color scheme
reference\_times
                  reference onset times
post\_t\_effect\_stat
                  statistic computed from effect time samples
linetypes
                  onset line types
linecolors
                  onset line colors
alpha2
                  alpha parameter
```

#### Value

```
a modified ggplot object
```

```
plot_predictions_options
```

Do input checks and set options for plotting predictions

# Description

Do input checks and set options for plotting predictions

### Usage

```
plot_predictions_options(
    fit,
    color_scheme,
    original_y_scale,
    PRED,
    test_data,
    color_scheme_t_effect,
    mode,
    n_sds
)
```

### **Arguments**

```
fit
                  An object of class lgpfit.
color_scheme
                  Name of bayesplot color scheme.
original_y_scale
                  Boolean value.
PRED
                  Predictions computed using lgp_predict.
test_data
                  test data
{\tt color\_scheme\_t\_effect}
                  Another color scheme.
                  mode
mode
                  number of standard deviations for the uncertainty band width
n_sds
```

### Value

a list

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plot\_relevances

Barplot of covariate relevances

### **Description**

Barplot of covariate relevances

### Usage

```
plot_relevances(object, violin = FALSE, color_scheme = "red", ...)
```

# Arguments

```
object an object of class lgpfit

violin Should a violin plot be used instead of a boxplot

color_scheme bayesplot color scheme name

... Additional arguments to ggplot2::geom_boxplot or ggplot2::geom_violin.
```

#### Value

a ggplot object

plot\_samples

Visualize the distribution of the model parameter samples

### **Description**

This is a wrapper for functions in the bayesplot package.

# Usage

```
plot_samples(
  object,
  pars = character(),
  regex_pars = character(),
  type = "intervals",
  prob = 0.5,
  prob_outer = 0.9,
  color_scheme = "red",
  point_est = "median",
  binwidth = NULL,
  transformations = list(),
  off_diag_args = list(size = 1),
  facet_args = list()
)
```

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### **Arguments**

object An object of class lgpfit.

pars parameter names

regex\_pars regex for parameter names

type Visualization type. Must be either "dens", "areas", "intervals" (default) or

"hist".

prob\_outer outer interval

color\_scheme See different color schemes in the bayesplot package.

point\_est the point estimate type

binwidth width of histogram bins if type = "hist"

transformations

the parameter transformations

off\_diag\_args Additional argument list for the pairs plot.

facet\_args additional facetting arguments

#### Value

a ggplot object

plot\_simdata

Plot a simulated longitudinal data set for each individual separately

### **Description**

Plot a simulated longitudinal data set for each individual separately

### Usage

```
plot_simdata(
    simData,
    linecolor = "gray50",
    nrow = NULL,
    ncol = NULL,
    i_test = NULL,
    color_point = "black",
    color_test = "steelblue2",
    signal_name = "signal",
    y_transform = function(x) { x }
```

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### **Arguments**

simData a list returned by simulate\_data

linecolor line color

nrow an argument for ggplot2::facet\_wrap
ncol an argument for ggplot2::facet\_wrap

i\_test test point indices color\_point data point color color\_test test point color signal\_name name of signal

y\_transform function to transform the data y

#### Value

a ggplot object

### See Also

For plotting each component separately, see plot\_components\_simdata

postproc

Finalize the lgpfit object after sampling

### **Description**

Finalize the lgpfit object after sampling

### Usage

```
postproc(fit, threshold = 0.95, relevance_method = "f_mean", verbose = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

fit An (incomplete) object of class lgpfit.

threshold Threshold for relevance sum. Must be a value between 0 and 1.

relevance\_method

Component relevance determination method. Must be either "f\_mean" or "alpha".

verbose Should some output be printed?

### Value

An updated object of class lgpfit.

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postproc\_relevances

Compute component relevances and estimate amount of noise (one MCMC sample)

#### **Description**

Compute component relevances and estimate amount of noise (one MCMC sample)

## Usage

```
postproc_relevances(
   fit,
   relevance_method = "f_mean",
   noise_method = "SSE",
   verbose = FALSE
)
```

## Arguments

fit An (incomplete) object of class lgpfit.

relevance\_method

Component relevance determination method. Must be either "f\_mean" or "alpha".

noise\_method Noise level determination method. Currently must be "SSE".

verbose Should some output be printed?

#### Value

An updated object of class lgpfit.

predict\_preproc

Preprocess some things before computing predictions

## Description

This is a helper function for lgp\_predict.

#### Usage

```
predict_preproc(fit, X_test, samples)
```

## **Arguments**

fit An object of class lgpfit.

X\_test The test points where the predictions should be computed.

samples The samples argument to lgp\_predict

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PRED\_to\_arrays

PRED object to arrays

# Description

PRED object to arrays

# Usage

```
PRED_to_arrays(PRED)
```

## **Arguments**

PRED

an object returned by lgp\_predict

## Value

a list containing two arrays

print\_prior

Human-readable description of a specified prior

# Description

Print human-readable info about the prior specification that was used or will be used

#### Usage

```
print_prior(object)
```

# Arguments

object

An object of class lgpfit or a valid prior argument for the 'lgp' function.

## Value

nothing

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prior\_default

Create the default prior

#### **Description**

Create the default prior

#### Usage

```
prior_default(sigma_alpha = 1)
```

#### **Arguments**

sigma\_alpha

Sigma parameter of the student-t distribution for all alpha.

#### Value

A list defining a valid prior argument for the 1gp function.

prior\_LonGP

Create a similar default prior as in LonGP (Cheng et. al, 2019)

## Description

Not recommended, because a lengthscale close to 0 is possible.

## Usage

```
prior_LonGP()
```

#### Value

A list defining a valid prior argument for the lgp\_model function.

```
prior_stan_to_readable
```

Human-readable information about the priors in the Stan data object

# Description

Human-readable information about the priors in the Stan data object

#### Usage

```
prior_stan_to_readable(stan_dat)
```

#### **Arguments**

stan\_dat

The list that is passed as data to rstan::sampling.

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#### Value

Info as a string.

#### **Description**

Human-readable prior statement

#### Usage

```
prior_statement(parname, TYP, P, dist, row_change = TRUE)
```

#### **Arguments**

parname parameter name
TYP two integers
P three real numbers

dist list of distribution names

row\_change should a newline be last character?

#### Value

Sampling statement as a string.

prior\_to\_stan

Get priors as a format that can be input to Stan

#### **Description**

Get priors as a format that can be input to Stan

## Usage

```
prior_to_stan(D, prior, HMGNS, UNCRT, N_cases, T_observed, T_last)
```

#### **Arguments**

D an integer vector of length 6

prior The prior argument supplied to lgp().

HMGNS Is diseaseAge assumed to have a homogenous effect (1) or not (0)?

UNCRT Boolean value, is uncertainty of disease onset modeled?

N\_cases number of case individuals T\_observed observed disease onsets

T\_last last time point for each diseased individual

#### Value

a list with all things related to priors that Stan needs

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repvec

Repeat a vector as a rows of an array

# Description

Repeat a vector as a rows of an array

## Usage

```
repvec(v, n)
```

## Arguments

v a vector of length m

n number of times to repeat

## Value

returns an array of size n x m

rtgeom

Sample from the 'truncated geometric' distribution

## Description

Sample from the 'truncated geometric' distribution

## Usage

```
rtgeom(s, p, n = 1)
```

# Arguments

s an integer

p a number between 0 and 1

n number of samples

#### Value

an integer from the interval 1...n

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scaleRelevances Scale the effect sizes

## Description

Scale the effect sizes

## Usage

```
scaleRelevances(FFF, relevances, force_zeromean, i_skip)
```

## **Arguments**

FFF matrix where one column corresponds to one additive data component

relevances the desired variance of each component (column)

force\_zeromean Should each component (excluding the disease age component) be forced to

have a zero mean.

i\_skip induces of components for which the zero-mean forcing is skipped

#### Value

a new matrix FFF

selection Selection of relevant components

## Description

Selection of relevant components

## Usage

```
selection(object, threshold = 0.95)
```

# Arguments

object An object of class lgpfit.

threshold Threshold for relevance sum. Must be a value between 0 and 1.

## Value

A named list

```
selection_fixed_threshold
```

Select relevant components

## Description

Select relevant components

## Usage

```
selection_fixed_threshold(rel, threshold)
```

## Arguments

rel a named vector of component relevances

threshold value between 0 and 1

#### Value

indices of selected components (including "noise" always)

selection\_prob

Probabilistic selection of relevant components

## Description

Probabilistic selection of relevant components

# Usage

```
selection_prob(
  object,
  p = function(x) {          stats::dbeta(x, 100, 5) },
  h = 0.01,
       show_progbar = FALSE
)
```

# Arguments

object An object of class lgpfit.

p a function defining a density over interval [0,1] h discretization parameter for computing a quadrature

show\_progbar Should this show a progress bar?

#### Value

Selection probabilities for each component

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```
selection\_prob\_fixed\_threshold
```

Selection probabilities using a fixed threshold

# Description

Selection probabilities using a fixed threshold

## Usage

```
selection_prob_fixed_threshold(relevances, threshold)
```

#### **Arguments**

relevances The relevances\$samples slot of an lgpfit object.

threshold value between 0 and 1

#### Value

proportion of times each component was selected

selection\_prob\_plot

Plot of probabilistic selection of relevant components

## Description

Plot of probabilistic selection of relevant components

## Usage

```
selection_prob_plot(PROB, H, P)
```

## **Arguments**

PROB computed probabilities at points H

H a grid on interval [0,1]

P threshold probability distribution evaluated at H

#### Value

a ggplot object

set\_C\_hat

set\_C\_hat

Set C\_hat (Non-gaussian observation models)

#### **Description**

Set C\_hat (Non-gaussian observation models)

## Usage

```
set_C_hat(C_hat, response, LH, N_trials)
```

# Arguments

C\_hat the C\_hat argument given as input to lgp\_model

response response variable
LH likelihood as int

N\_trials the N\_trials data (binomial likelihood)

#### Value

a real number

set\_norm\_factors

Check and possibly edit the norm\_factors input

## Description

Check and possibly edit the norm\_factors input

## Usage

```
set_norm_factors(norm_factors, response, LH)
```

#### Arguments

norm\_factors the norm\_factors argument given as input to lgp\_model

response response variable
LH likelihood as int

#### Value

a numeric vector

set\_N\_trials

set\_N\_cat

 $Count\ numbers\ of\ different\ categories\ for\ each\ categorical\ variable$ 

# Description

Count numbers of different categories for each categorical variable

## Usage

```
set_N_cat(X, D)
```

## Arguments

X the design matrix
D a vector of length 6

#### Value

a numeric vector

set\_N\_trials

*Set N\_trials (binomial and Bernoulli observation models)* 

## Description

Set N\_trials (binomial and Bernoulli observation models)

## Usage

```
set_N_trials(N_trials, response, LH)
```

#### **Arguments**

N\_trials the N\_trials argument given as input to lgp\_model

response response variable

LH likelihood as int

# Value

a numeric vector

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Show a summary of results of the 1gp function

# Description

Show a summary of results of the 1gp function

## Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'lgpfit'
show(object)
```

# Arguments

object

an object of class lgpfit

#### Value

nothing

```
show,lgpmodel-method Show a summary of an lgpmodel
```

# Description

Show a summary of an lgpmodel

## Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'lgpmodel'
show(object)
```

## **Arguments**

object

an object of class lgpmodel

## Value

nothing

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```
simdata_colnames_pretty
```

Simulated data column names in a prettier form

## Description

Simulated data column names in a prettier form

#### Usage

```
simdata_colnames_pretty(cn)
```

# Arguments

cn

column names

#### Value

names of model components

simulate\_data

Generate an artificial longitudinal data set

#### **Description**

Generate an artificial longitudinal data set.

## Usage

```
simulate_data(
 N,
  t_data,
 covariates = c(),
 names = NULL,
 relevances = c(1, 1, rep(1, length(covariates))),
 n_categs = rep(2, sum(covariates %in% c(2, 3))),
  t_{jitter} = 0,
 lengthscales = rep(12, 2 + sum(covariates %in% c(0, 1, 2))),
 f_{var} = 1,
 noise_type = "Gaussian",
 snr = 3,
 phi = 1,
 N_{affected} = round(N/2),
  t_effect_range = "auto",
  t_observed = "after_0",
 C_hat = 0,
 dis_fun = "gp_vm",
 bin_kernel = FALSE,
  steepness = 0.5,
```

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```
vm_params = c(0.025, 1),
continuous_info = list(mu = c(pi/8, pi, -0.5), lambda = c(pi/8, pi, 1)),
N_trials = 1,
verbose = FALSE,
force_zeromean = TRUE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

Number of individuals.

t\_data Measurement times.

covariates Integer vector that defines the types of covariates (other than id and age). If not

given, only the id and age covariates are created. Different integers correspond

to the following covariate types:

• 0 = disease-related age

• 1 = other continuous covariate

• 2 = a categorical covariate that interacts with age

• 3 = a categorical covariate that acts as a group offset

• 4 = a categorical covariate that that acts as a group offset AND is restricted to have value 0 for controls and 1 for cases

names Covariate names.

relevances Relative relevance of each component. Must have be a vector so that

length(relevances) = 2 + length(covariates).

First two values define the relevance of the infividual-specific age and shared

age component, respectively.

n\_categs An integer vector defining the number of categories for each categorical co-

variate, so that length(n\_categs) equals to the number of 2's and 3's in the

covariates vector.

t\_jitter Standard deviation of the jitter added to the given measurement times.

lengthscales A vector so that

length(lengthscales) = 2 + sum(covariates %in% c(0,1,2)).

f\_var variance of f

noise\_type Either "Gaussian", "Poisson", NB" (negative binomial) or "binomial".

snr The desired signal-to-noise ratio. This argument is valid only with

noise\_type = "Gaussian".

phi The dispersion parameter for negative binomial data. The variance is  $g + g^2/phi$ .

N\_affected Number of diseased individuals that are affected by the disease. This defaults

to the number of diseased individuals. This argument can only be given if

covariates contains a zero.

t\_effect\_range Time interval from which the disease effect times are sampled uniformly. Alter-

natively, This can any function that returns the (possibly randomly generated)

real disease effect time for one individual.

t\_observed Determines how the disease effect time is observed. This can be any function

that takes the real disease effect time as an argument and returns the (possibly randomly generated) observed onset/initiation time. Alternatively, this can be a

string of the form "after\_n" or "random\_p" or "exact".

C\_hat A constant added to f

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dis_fun	A function or a string that defines the disease effect. If this is a function, that function is used to generate the effect. If dis_fun is "gp_vm" or "gp_ns", the disease component is drawn from a nonstationary GP prior (vm is the variance masked version of it).
bin_kernel	Should the binary kernel be used for categorical covariates? If this is TRUE, the effect will exist only for group 1.
steepness	Steepness of the input warping function. This is only used if the disease component is in the model.
vm_params	Parameters of the variance mask function. This is only needed if useMaskedVarianceKernel = TRUE.
continuous_info	0
	Info for generating continuous covariates. Must be a list containing fields lambda and mu, which have length 3. The continuous covariates are generated so that $x < -\sin(a*t + b) + c$ , where
	• t <-seq(0,2*pi,length.out = k)
	• a <-mu[1] + lambda[1]*stats::runif(1)
	• b <-mu[2] + lambda[2]*stats::runif(1)
	• c <-mu[3] + lambda[3]*stats::runif(1)
N_trials	The number of trials parameter for binomial data.
verbose	verbosity mode
force_zeromean	Should each component (excluding the disease age component) be forced to have a zero mean?

#### Value

A list out, where

- out\$data is a data frame containing the actual data and
- out\$components contains more points for smoother visualizations of the generating process.
- out\$onsets contains the real disease effect times
- out\$p\_signal proportion of variance explained by signal

## **Examples**

```
# Generate Gaussian data dat <- simulate_data(N = 4, t_data = c(6,12,24,36,48), snr = 3)
# Generate negative binomially distributed count data dat <- simulate_data(N = 6, t_data = seq(2, 10, by = 2), noise_type = "NB", phi = 2)
```

simulate\_kernels

Compute all kernel matrices when simulating data

#### **Description**

Compute all kernel matrices when simulating data

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#### Usage

```
simulate_kernels(
   X,
   types,
   lengthscales,
   X_affected,
   bin_kernel,
   useMaskedVarianceKernel,
   steepness,
   vm_params
)
```

#### **Arguments**

X covariates

types vector of covariate types, so that

• 1 = ID

• 2 = age

• 3 = diseaseAge

• 4 = other continuous covariate

• 5 = a categorical covariate that interacts with age

• 6 = a categorical covariate that acts as an offset

lengthscales vector of lengthscales

X\_affected which individuals are affected by the disease

bin\_kernel whether or not binary (mask) kernel should be used for categorical covariates

useMaskedVarianceKernel

should the masked variance kernel be used for drawing the disease component

steepness steepness of the input warping function vm\_params parameters of the variance mask function

#### Value

a 3D array

sim\_check\_covariates Input check for the covariates-related arguments of simulate\_data

## Description

Input check for the covariates-related arguments of simulate\_data

# Usage

```
sim_check_covariates(covariates, relevances, names, n_cat)
```

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#### **Arguments**

covariates argument to simulate\_data relevances argument to simulate\_data names argument to simulate\_data

n\_cat the n\_categs argument to simulate\_data

#### Value

the covariate names

sim\_data\_to\_observed Real generated disease ages to observed ones

## Description

Real generated disease ages to observed ones

## Usage

```
sim_data_to_observed(dat, t_observed)
```

## Arguments

data frame

t\_observed Determines how the disease onset is observed. See documentation of simulate\_data.

## Value

a new data frame and observed onsets

sim\_generate\_names Generate names for covariates

#### **Description**

Generate names for covariates

## Usage

sim\_generate\_names(covariates)

## Arguments

covariates vector of covariate types

#### Value

covariate names

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 $sim_parse_t_obs$ 

Parse the t\_observed argument of simulate\_data

#### **Description**

Parse the  $t\_observed$  argument of  $simulate\_data$ 

#### Usage

```
sim_parse_t_obs(t_observed)
```

# Arguments

t\_observed a string

#### Value

a list with a name and number

split\_data

Split data into training and test data according to given row indices

## Description

Split data into training and test data according to given row indices

#### Usage

```
split_data(data, i_test, sort_ids = TRUE)
```

# Arguments

data a data frame

i\_test test data row indices

sort\_ids should the test indices be sorted into increasing order

```
a list(train, test)
```

split\_data\_by\_id

Split data into training and test data according to given individuals

#### **Description**

Split data into training and test data according to given individuals

#### Usage

```
split_data_by_id(data, test_ids, id_variable = "id")
```

#### **Arguments**

data a data frame

test\_ids test data individual identifiers

id\_variable name of id variable

#### Value

```
alist(train, test)
```

```
split_data_by_timepoint
```

Split data into training and test data according to time point indices

# Description

Split data into training and test data according to time point indices

## Usage

```
split_data_by_timepoint(
  data,
  test_idx,
  id_variable = "id",
  time_variable = "age"
)
```

#### **Arguments**

data a data frame

```
a list(train, test)
```

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split\_data\_random

Split data into training and test data randomly

# Description

Split data into training and test data randomly

## Usage

```
split_data_random(data, p_test = 0.1, n_test = NULL)
```

## **Arguments**

data a data frame

p\_test desired proportion of test data

n\_test desired number of test data points (if NULL, p\_test is used to compute this)

#### Value

```
alist(train, test)
```

```
split_data_random_each
```

Split data into training and test data by selecting randomly k points from each individual

## Description

Split data into training and test data by selecting randomly k points from each individual

#### Usage

```
split_data_random_each(
  data,
  n_test = 1,
  id_variable = "id",
  time_variable = "age"
)
```

#### **Arguments**

data a data frame

n\_test desired number of test data points per individual

id\_variable name of id variable
time\_variable name of time variable

```
alist(train, test)
```

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 $standardize\_inputs$ 

Standardize continuous input variables in X

#### Description

Standardize continuous input variables in X

# Usage

```
standardize_inputs(X, D)
```

## Arguments

X the design matrix

D the covariate types, a vector of length 6

#### Value

updated X and info about scaling

stan\_input\_X\_and\_D

Predictor covariates and types to Stan input

## Description

Reorders covariates and takes only those that are needed

#### Usage

```
stan_input_X_and_D(data, varInfo, types, formula, verbose)
```

# Arguments

data a data frame containing the covariates

varInfo original variable type info types types of the covariates

formula model formula

verbose can this print some info?

#### Value

X and needed types and updated varInfo

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Validate prior by sampling the signal and noise from it

## Description

Validate prior by sampling the signal and noise from it

## Usage

```
validate_prior(model, chains = 4, iter = 1000, parallel = FALSE)
```

## **Arguments**

model An object of class lgpmodel.

chains how many chains are used to sample from the prior

iter for how many iterations are the chains run parallel should the chains be run in parallel?

#### Value

An object of class lgpfit and random samples of both 'f' and 'y'.

var\_mask

Variance masking function

# Description

Variance masking function

## Usage

```
var_mask(x, a)
```

## Arguments

x vector of length n

a positive real number

```
a vector of length n
```

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warp\_input

Input warping function

# Description

Input warping function

# Usage

```
warp_input(t, a, b, c)
```

# **Arguments**

t a vector

a steepness of the rise

b location of the effective time window

c maximum range

## Value

a vector of warped inputs w(t)

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