

# Package ‘lgpr’

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## 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, i.e. how much each covariate explains the target variable
- Specialized modeling of a non-stationary disease effect
- Functions for visualizing longitudinal data, posterior samples and model predictions
- Gaussian, Poisson or Negative Binomial observation models

## Basic usage

- See the main function [lgp](#) for creating and fitting additive longitudinal GP models.
- Predictions outside the data can be computed using the function [lgp\\_predict](#).
- See documentation of the function [simulate\\_data](#) for generating artificial data.
- For visualizing the data and results, see for example the functions
  - [plot\\_data](#)
  - [plot\\_samples](#)
  - [plot\\_components](#)
  - [plot\\_posterior\\_y](#)
  - [plot\\_simdata](#)

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add_test_caseIDs	<i>Add case IDs to test data frame</i>
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**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.

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affected	<i>Select the affected individuals</i>
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**Description**

Select the affected individuals

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

object	An object of class <code>lgpfit</code> .
medians.return	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	<i>Assess convergence of the chains</i>
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**Description**

Assess convergence of the chains

**Usage**

```
assess_convergence(fit, verbose = TRUE, recompute = F)
```

**Arguments**

fit	An (incomplete) object of class <code>lgpfit</code> .
verbose	should convergence info be printed?
recompute	Should the Rhat statistics be recomputed?

**Value**

Potential scale reduction factors ( $R_{\text{hat}}$ ).

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average_predictions	<i>Average predictions over samples</i>
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**Description**

Average predictions over samples

**Usage**

```
average_predictions(LIST)
```

**Arguments**

LIST	a list over samples
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**Value**

a list

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`check_data`*Validate the 'data' input to lgp and resolve covariate types*

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**Description**

Validate the 'data' input to lgp and resolve covariate types

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	the data frame that was passed to lgp
<code>varInfo</code>	variable type info
<code>verbose</code>	can this print some info?

**Value**

a list

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`check_formula`*Validate the formula of lgp*

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**Description**

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

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

<code>formula</code>	the formula that was passed to lgp_model
<code>data</code>	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*

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**Description**

An error message for wrong hyperparameter naming

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

<code>dist</code>	the distribution
<code>correct</code>	the allowed hyperparameter names

**Value**

nothing

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`compute_kernel_matrices`*Evaluate kernel matrices for each component*

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**Description**

Used by [compute\\_predictions](#).

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

<code>X1</code>	Covariate matrix of size $n_1 \times \text{sum}(D)$ .
<code>X2</code>	Covariate matrix of size $n_2 \times \text{sum}(D)$ .
<code>kernel_info</code>	A list of parameters and other kernel info.

**Value**

An array of size  $n_1 \times n_2 \times \text{sum}(D)$ .



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compute_K_beta	<i>Compute the multiplier matrix K_beta (to enable heterogeneous disease effect)</i>
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**Description**

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

**Usage**

```
compute_K_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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compute_K_var_mask	<i>Compute the variance mask kernel matrix</i>
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**Description**

Compute the variance mask kernel matrix

**Usage**

```
compute_K_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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compute_lppd	<i>Compute log-posterior predictive density at test points</i>
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**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

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compute_predicted_components	<i>Compute component-wise predictions at test points</i>
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**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	<i>Compute component-wise predictions at test points</i>
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**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.

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compute_relevances	<i>Covariate and component relevance calculations</i>
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**Description**

Covariate and component relevance calculations

**Usage**

```
compute_relevances(FFF, y_data, info, D, ell_smooth, x_age)
```

**Arguments**

FFF	a data frame of size n_data x n_components+2
y_data	(scaled) measurements of the response variable
info	model info
D	a vector of length 6
ell_smooth	lengthscale for kernel smoothing
x_age	(scaled) age covariate

**Value**

a list

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create\_covariates\_stan

*Create the covariate matrix that is given to stan*

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**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 lgp
varInfo	original variable type info
types	the types returned by <a href="#">check_data</a>
formula	the model formula
verbose	can this print some info?

**Value**

a list

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create\_data\_plot\_df

*Create a plotting data frame for ggplot*

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**Description**

A helper function for plot\_data.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

data	a data frame
hl_1	highlighting by color
hl_2	highlighting by linestyle
hl_cont	highlighting continuous

**Value**

an extended data frame

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, lengthscale, X_affected, dis_fun,
        useBinKernel, steepness, vm_params)
```

**Arguments**

X	input data matrix (generated by <a href="#">create_X</a> )
covariates	Integer vector that defines the types of covariates (other than id and age). Different integers correspond to the following covariate types: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 0 = disease-related age</li> <li>• 1 = other continuous covariate</li> <li>• 2 = a categorical covariate that interacts with age</li> <li>• 3 = a categorical covariate that acts as a group offset</li> <li>• 4 = a categorical covariate that acts as a group offset AND is restricted to have value 0 for controls and 1 for cases</li> </ul>
relevances	Relative relevance of each component. Must have be a vector so that $\text{length}(\text{relevances}) = 2 + \text{length}(\text{covariates})$ . First two values define the relevance of the individual-specific age and shared age component, respectively.
lengthscale	A vector so that $\text{length}(\text{lengthscale}) = 2 + \text{sum}(\text{covariates} \%in\% c(0,1,2))$ .
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).
useBinKernel	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.

**Value**

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

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```
create_predictions_plot_df1
```

*Create a plotting data frame for ggplot*

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**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

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```
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,
  componentwise = FALSE, mode, n_sds)
```

**Arguments**

model	An object of class lgpmmodel.
PRED	Predictions computed using lgp_predict.
scale_f	Should the predictions be scaled back to the original data scale?
componentwise	Should the predictions be plotted componentwise?
mode	mode
n_sds	number of standard deviations for the uncertainty band width

**Value**

a data frame

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```
create_simdata_plot_df
```

*Create a plotting data frame for ggplot*

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### Description

A helper function for `plot_simdata_by_component`.

### Usage

```
create_simdata_plot_df(simData)
```

### Arguments

`simData`            An object created using `simulate_data`.

### Value

a data frame

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```
create_stan_input
```

*Create input for Stan*

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### 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_diagnosis, equal_effect, C_hat, DELTA, sample_F, t_test,
  verbose, variance_mask, cat_interact_kernel_type)
```

### Arguments

<code>formula</code>	A formula of the form $y \sim x_1 + x_2 + x_3$ defining the response variable $y$ and covariates $x_i$ . All variables that appear in the formula must exist as columns of data.
<code>data</code>	A data frame containing (at least) the variables given in formula.
<code>prior</code>	Prior distribution. Can be created for example using the function <code>prior_default</code> .
<code>likelihood</code>	Either "Gaussian" (default), "Poisson" or "NB".
<code>varInfo</code>	Variable type info.
<code>standardize</code>	Should the response variable be standardized?
<code>uncertain_diagnosis</code>	Do we wish to model uncertainty in the disease onset?
<code>equal_effect</code>	Is the disease effect assumed to be equally strong for all diseased individuals?

C_hat	This can only be given if likelihood is not Gaussian. The signal $f$ will be transformed so that $g = \exp(C\_hat + f)$ . If NULL, it will be set to $C\_hat = \log(\text{mean}(y))$ , where $y$ is 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).
t_test	Optional test time points. Should only be used if sample_F = TRUE. Otherwise use <a href="#">lgp_predict</a> after fitting the model.
verbose	Can this print some info?
variance_mask	Should a variance mask be used to force disease component variance to zero before disease onset?
cat_interact_kernel_type	Kernel type for categorical variables (other than id). Possible options are "categorical" (default) and "binary" (mask kernel where only category "1" will have an effect).

### 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.

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create_test_points	<i>Create a matrix of test points</i>
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### Description

Create a matrix of test points

### Usage

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

### Arguments

object	An object of class <code>lgpmodel</code> or <code>lgpfit</code>
t_test	Test time points (will be same for each individual).

### Value

A data frame.



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create_X	<i>Simulate an input data frame X</i>
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## Description

Simulate an input data frame X

## Usage

```
create_X(N, covariates, names, n_cats, t_data, t_jitter, onset_range,
         continuous_info)
```

## 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 0 = disease-related age</li> <li>• 1 = other continuous covariate</li> <li>• 2 = a categorical covariate that interacts with age</li> <li>• 3 = a categorical covariate that acts as a group offset</li> <li>• 4 = a categorical covariate that that acts as a group offset AND is restricted to have value 0 for controls and 1 for cases</li> </ul>
names	Covariate names.
n_cats	An integer vector defining the number of categories for each categorical covariate, so that <code>length(n_cats)</code> equals to the number of 2's and 3's in the <code>covariates</code> vector.
t_data	Measurement times.
t_jitter	Standard deviation of the jitter added to the given measurement times.
onset_range	Time interval from which the disease onsets are sampled uniformly. Alternatively, This can any function that returns the (possibly randomly generated) real disease onset time for one individual.
continuous_info	Info for generating continuous covariates. Must be a list containing fields <code>lambda</code> and <code>mu</code> , which have length 3. The continuous covariates are generated so that $x \leftarrow \sin(a \cdot t + b) + c$ , where <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <code>t &lt;- seq(0, 2*pi, length.out = k)</code></li> <li>• <code>a &lt;- mu[1] + lambda[1]*stats::runif(1)</code></li> <li>• <code>b &lt;- mu[2] + lambda[2]*stats::runif(1)</code></li> <li>• <code>c &lt;- mu[3] + lambda[3]*stats::runif(1)</code></li> </ul>

## Value

```
list(X, onsets, par_cont)
```

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create_X_star	<i>Create X_star</i>
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**Description**

Create X\_star

**Usage**

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

**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.

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create_y	<i>Generate noisy observations</i>
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**Description**

Generate noisy observations

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

noise_type	Either "Gaussian", "Poisson" or "NB" (negative 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 noise.

**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	<i>Draw disease component from a parameteric form</i>
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**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

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drawCategorical	<i>Independently draw categorical variables for each individual</i>
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**Description**

Independently 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)

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drawContinuous	<i>Independently draw continuous variables for each individual</i>
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**Description**

Independently 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

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drawLatentComponents	<i>Draw realizations of multivariate normals</i>
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**Description**

Draw realizations of multivariate normals

**Usage**

```
drawLatentComponents(KK)
```

**Arguments**

KK	3D matrix where $KK[, , j]$ is the $j$ th kernel matrix
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**Value**

a matrix FFF

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drawMeasurementTimes    *Draw the age covariate*

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**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

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extract\_components\_onesample  
                          *Extract inferred components for one sample*

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**Description**

Extract inferred components for one sample

**Usage**

```
extract_components_onesample(fit, sample_idx)
```

**Arguments**

fit	an object of class lgpfit
sample_idx	sample index

**Value**

a list

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extract_t_onset_samples	<i>Extract samples of T_onset</i>
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**Description**

Extract samples of T\_onset

**Usage**

```
extract_t_onset_samples(fit)
```

**Arguments**

fit	an object of class lgpfit
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**Value**

a matrix

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get_case_ids	<i>Get case ids in original data</i>
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**Description**

Get case ids in original data

**Usage**

```
get_case_ids(fit)
```

**Arguments**

fit	an object of class lgpfit
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**Value**

a character vector

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

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### 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

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get\_diseased\_info    *Get some variables related to diseased individuals*

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### Description

Get some variables related to diseased individuals

### Usage

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

### Arguments

D	an integer vector of length 6
X	the design matrix
X_notnan	a binary vector of length n
uncertain_diagnosis	Boolean value
equal_effect	Boolean value
TSCL	time scaling function and its inverse

### Value

a list

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get_ell_smooth	<i>A convenience function used in postproc-main.R</i>
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**Description**

A convenience function used in postproc-main.R

**Usage**

```
get_ell_smooth(ell_smooth, ell_smooth_multip, ell_smp)
```

**Arguments**

ell_smooth	a character or numeric argument
ell_smooth_multip	numeric
ell_smp	numeric

**Value**

a number

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get_function_component_samples	<i>Get values of sampled function components at data points</i>
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**Description**

Get values of sampled function components at data points

**Usage**

```
get_function_component_samples(fit, only_at_datapoints)
```

**Arguments**

fit	An (incomplete) object of class lgpfir.
only_at_datapoints	Should the values be obtained only at data points or also test points?

**Value**

An array of size n\_samples x n\_data x n\_components+2 if only\_at\_datapoints is TRUE, else the size is n\_samples x n\_total x n\_components+2



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get_model_dims	<i>Set a lot of generic variables that the Stan model needs as input</i>
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**Description**

Set a lot of generic variables that the Stan model needs as input

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

X	the design matrix
D	a vector of length 6
likelihood	the ‘likelihood’ input to lgp

**Value**

a list

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get_onset_info	<i>Get disease onset info</i>
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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

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get_onset_times	<i>Extract observed disease onset times from diseaseAge covariate vector</i>
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**Description**

Extract observed disease onset times from diseaseAge covariate vector

**Usage**

```
get_onset_times(id, age, disAge)
```

**Arguments**

id	the id covariate, vector of length n
age	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_predicted	<i>A helper function</i>
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**Description**

A helper function

**Usage**

```
get_predicted(fit)
```

**Arguments**

fit	An (incomplete) object of class lgpf <sub>fit</sub> .
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**Value**

a list

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get_prior_params	<i>Get prior parameters</i>
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**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	<i>A dictionary from distribution names to integer encoding</i>
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**Description**

A dictionary from distribution names to integer encoding

**Usage**

```
get_prior_type(type)
```

**Arguments**

type	type of the distribution as a string
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**Value**

an integer

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get_response	<i>Get the (scaled) response variable</i>
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**Description**

Gets and possibly scales the response variable.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

data	the data frame given as input to lgp
varInfo	variable type info
standardize	should the response be standardized to unit variance and zero mean
likelihood	the likelihood

**Value**

a list with the (scaled) response variable

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get_runtime	<i>Get average runtime of a chain</i>
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**Description**

Get average runtime of a chain

**Usage**

```
get_runtime(object)
```

**Arguments**

object	An object of class lgpfit.
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**Value**

Average runtimes for warmup and sampling

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get_transform_type	<i>A dictionary from transform names to integer encoding</i>
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**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)

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hyperparam_estimate	<i>Get a posterior estimate of model (hyper)parameters</i>
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**Description**

Get a posterior estimate of model (hyper)parameters

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

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

**Value**

a data frame

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hyperparam_samples	<i>Get a set of model (hyper)parameter samples</i>
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**Description**

Get a set of model (hyper)parameter samples

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

object	An (incomplete) object of class <code>lgpfit</code> .
samples	Sample indices. If <code>NULL</code> , all samples are taken.

**Value**

a data frame

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kernel_bin	<i>Compute a binary kernel matrix</i>
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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

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kernel_cat	<i>Compute a categorical kernel matrix</i>
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**Description**

Compute a categorical kernel matrix

**Usage**

```
kernel_cat(x1, x2, alpha = 1)
```

**Arguments**

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

**Value**

A (binary) kernel matrix of size n x m

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kernel_ns	<i>Compute a nonstationary kernel matrix using input warping</i>
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**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
a	steepness of the warping function rise
b	location of the effective time window
c	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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kernel_se	<i>Compute a squared exponential kernel matrix</i>
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**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

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kernel_smoothing	<i>Estimate conditional mean time profile using gaussian kernel smoothing</i>
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**Description**

Estimate conditional mean time profile using gaussian kernel smoothing

**Usage**

```
kernel_smoothing(v, t, t_out, ell)
```

**Arguments**

v	a vector of length n to be smoothed
t	vector of n time points corresponding to y
t_out	the set of p time points where the smoothing should be evaluated
ell	kernel lengthscale

**Value**

a vector of length p



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.

**Usage**

```
lgp(formula, data, likelihood = "Gaussian", prior = prior_default(),
    uncertain_diagnosis = FALSE, equal_effect = TRUE,
    id_variable = "id", time_variable = "age", disAge_variable = NULL,
    continuous_vars = NULL, categorical_vars = NULL,
    offset_vars = NULL, C_hat = NULL, DELTA = 1e-12,
    sample_F = (likelihood != "Gaussian"), parallel = FALSE,
    skip_postproc = FALSE, t_test = NULL, threshold = 0.95,
    variance_mask = TRUE, ell_smooth = "ell_shared",
    ell_smooth_multip = 1, cat_interact_kernel_type = "categorical", ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>formula</code>	A formula of the form $y \sim x_1 + x_2 + x_3$ defining the response variable $y$ and covariates $x_i$ . All variables that appear in the formula must exist as columns of data.
<code>data</code>	A data frame containing (at least) the variables given in formula.
<code>likelihood</code>	Either "Gaussian" (default), "Poisson" or "NB".
<code>prior</code>	Prior distribution. Can be created for example using the function <code>prior_default</code> .
<code>uncertain_diagnosis</code>	Do we wish to model uncertainty in the disease onset?
<code>equal_effect</code>	Is the disease effect assumed to be equally strong for all diseased individuals?
<code>id_variable</code>	Name of the unique subject identifier variable.
<code>time_variable</code>	Name of the time variable.
<code>disAge_variable</code>	Name of the disease-related age variable. If NULL, this will be chosen to be "diseaseAge", if such covariate is found in the data.
<code>continuous_vars</code>	Names of other continuous covariates. If NULL, the remaining covariates that have floating point values are interpreted as continuous.
<code>categorical_vars</code>	Names of categorical covariates that interact with the time variable. If NULL, the remaining covariates that have integer values are interpreted as categorical.
<code>offset_vars</code>	Names of the categorical covariates that are treated as time-independent group offsets. If NULL, no variables are interpreted as such covariates.
<code>C_hat</code>	This can only be given if likelihood is not Gaussian. The signal $f$ will be transformed so that $g = \exp(C\_hat + f)$ . If NULL, it will be set to $C\_hat = \log(\text{mean}(y))$ , where $y$ is 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.
t_test	Optional test time points. Should only be used if sample_F = TRUE. Otherwise use <a href="#">lgp_predict</a> after fitting the model.
threshold	Covariate selection threshold.
variance_mask	Should a variance mask be used to force disease component variance to zero before disease onset?
ell_smooth	Defines how to determine smoothing lengthscale for corrected shared age effect inference. Possible options are <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. "ell_shared" (default) - the sampled lengthscale of the shared age component is used as ell_smooth</li> <li>2. "none" - no correction will be performed</li> <li>3. A numeric argument that directly defines ell_smooth</li> </ol>
ell_smooth_multip	a multiplier for ell_smooth
cat_interact_kernel_type	Kernel type for categorical variables (other than id). Possible options are "categorical" (default) and "binary" (mask kernel where only category "1" will have an effect).
...	Optional arguments passed to <code>rstan::sampling</code> , for example <code>iter</code> , <code>chains</code> or <code>control</code> . See <a href="#">sampling</a> for the possible arguments.

**Value**

An object of class `lgpfit`.

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`lgpfit-class`

*An S4 class to represent the output of the `lgp_fit` function*

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**Description**

All slots that are lists contain fields 'samples' and 'average'.

**Slots**

`stan_fit` The `stanfit` object returned by `rstan::sampling`.  
`model` The `lgpmodel` object returned by `lgp_model`.  
`components` Inferred components.  
`components_corrected` Covariate-effect corrected components.  
`component_relevances` Inferred component relevances.  
`covariate_relevances` Inferred covariate relevances.  
`covariate_selection` Covariate selection info.

signal\_variance Signal variance.  
 residual\_variance Residual variance.  
 postproc\_info Postprocessing information.  
 Rhat Split Rhat statistics.

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lgpmodel-class	<i>An S4 class to represent an lgp model</i>
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### 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.

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lgp_component_names	<i>Get names of model components</i>
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### 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	<i>Get names of model covariates</i>
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**Description**

Get names of model covariates

**Usage**

```
lgp_covariate_names(stan_dat)
```

**Arguments**

stan_dat	The data that was passed to <code>rstan::sampling</code>
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**Value**

names of model components

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lgp_fit	<i>Fit an lgp model</i>
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**Description**

Samples the posterior of an additive Gaussian process regression model using [rstan](#).

**Usage**

```
lgp_fit(model, threshold, parallel = FALSE, skip_postproc = FALSE,
        ell_smooth = "ell_shared", ell_smooth_multip = 1, ...)
```

**Arguments**

model	An object of class <code>lgpmodel</code> .
threshold	Covariate selection threshold.
parallel	Determines if the chain will be run in parallel (default = FALSE). If TRUE, then Stan is run by first defining <code>options(mc.cores = parallel::detectCores())</code> .
skip_postproc	In this mode the postprocessing after running Stan is skipped.
ell_smooth	Defines how to determine smoothing lengthscale for corrected shared age effect inference. Possible options are <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. "ell_shared" (default) - the sampled lengthscale of the shared age component is used as <code>ell_smooth</code></li> <li>2. "none" - no correction will be performed</li> <li>3. A numeric argument that directly defines <code>ell_smooth</code></li> </ol>
ell_smooth_multip	a multiplier for <code>ell_smooth</code>
...	Optional arguments passed to <code>rstan::sampling</code> , for example <code>iter</code> , <code>chains</code> or <code>control</code> . See <a href="#">sampling</a> for the possible arguments.

**Value**

An object of class `lgpfit`.

**See Also**

For the possible additional arguments, see [sampling](#). For creating the `lgpmodel` input, see [lgp\\_model](#).

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<code>lgp_model</code>	<i>Create an lgp model</i>
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**Description**

Creates an object of class `lgpmodel`

**Usage**

```
lgp_model(formula, data, likelihood = "Gaussian",
  prior = prior_default(likelihood), uncertain_diagnosis = FALSE,
  equal_effect = TRUE, C_hat = NULL, DELTA = 1e-12,
  sample_F = (likelihood != "Gaussian"), t_test = NULL,
  id_variable = "id", time_variable = "age", disAge_variable = NULL,
  continuous_vars = NULL, categorical_vars = NULL,
  offset_vars = NULL, variance_mask = FALSE,
  cat_interact_kernel_type = "categorical")
```

**Arguments**

<code>formula</code>	A formula of the form $y \sim x_1 + x_2 + x_3$ defining the response variable $y$ and covariates $x_i$ . All variables that appear in the formula must exist as columns of data.
<code>data</code>	A data frame containing (at least) the variables given in formula.
<code>likelihood</code>	Either "Gaussian" (default), "Poisson" or "NB".
<code>prior</code>	Prior distribution. Can be created for example using the function <a href="#">prior_default</a> .
<code>uncertain_diagnosis</code>	Do we wish to model uncertainty in the disease onset?
<code>equal_effect</code>	Is the disease effect assumed to be equally strong for all diseased individuals?
<code>C_hat</code>	This can only be given if likelihood is not Gaussian. The signal $f$ will be transformed so that $g = \exp(C\_hat + f)$ . If NULL, it will be set to $C\_hat = \log(\text{mean}(y))$ , where $y$ is the response variable.
<code>DELTA</code>	the amount of added jitter to ensure positive definiteness of the kernel
<code>sample_F</code>	Determines if the function values are be sampled (must be TRUE if likelihood is not Gaussian).
<code>t_test</code>	Optional test time points. Should only be used if <code>sample_F = TRUE</code> . Otherwise use <a href="#">lgp_predict</a> after fitting the model.
<code>id_variable</code>	Name of the unique subject identifier variable.
<code>time_variable</code>	Name of the time variable.

disAge_variable	Name of the disease-related age variable. If NULL, 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, 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, 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?
cat_interact_kernel_type	Kernel type for categorical variables (other than id). Possible options are "categorical" (default) and "binary" (mask kernel where only category "1" will have an effect).

**Value**

An object of class `lgpmodel`.

**See Also**

For fitting the model, see [lgp\\_fit](#).

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lgp_predict	<i>Compute predictions for a fitted model</i>
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**Description**

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

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

fit	An object of class <code>lgpfit</code> .
X_test	The test points where the predictions should be computed.
samples	The predictions can be computed either by using only the posterior mean ( <code>samples="mean"</code> ), median ( <code>samples="median"</code> ), or MAP ( <code>samples="map"</code> ) parameters, or for all parameter samples ( <code>samples="all"</code> ). This can also be a set of indices, for example <code>samples=c(1:10)</code> gives predictions for the parameter 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 <code>samples</code> 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

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*Compute predictions and log-posterior predictive density at test points*


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**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

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likelihood\_as\_str

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*Convert the Stan likelihood encoding to a string*


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**Description**

Convert the Stan likelihood encoding to a string

**Usage**

```
likelihood_as_str(LH)
```

**Arguments**

LH	an integer
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**Value**

a string

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log_gaussian_density	<i>Compute log-density for gaussian distribution</i>
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**Description**

Compute log-density for gaussian distribution

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

x	point x
mu	mean
s2	variance

**Value**

a number

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matrix_to_df	<i>Matrix to data frame without editing column names</i>
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**Description**

Matrix to data frame without editing column names

**Usage**

```
matrix_to_df(M)
```

**Arguments**

M	a matrix
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**Value**

a data frame



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model_info	<i>Get model info</i>
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**Description**

Get model info

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

object	an object of class <code>lgpmodel</code> or <code>lgpfit</code>
print	should this print the info?

**Value**

the info as a string

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nameComponents	<i>Create names for all components based on covariate names and types</i>
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**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

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onsetsToDiseaseAge	<i>Compute the disease-related ages</i>
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**Description**

Compute the disease-related ages

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

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

**Value**

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

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parse_prior_distribution	<i>Turn a list describing a prior distribution into vectors to be given to Stan</i>
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**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

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parse_prior_onset	<i>Turn a list describing an onset prior distribution into things to be given to Stan</i>
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**Description**

Turn a list describing an onset prior distribution into things to be given to Stan

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

dist	This is prior\$onset, where prior is an argument of lgp_model
N_cases	number of case individuals
T_observed	observed disease onsets
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	<i>Visualize a fitted 'lgpfit' object</i>
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**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 nothing
y	does nothing
color_scheme	bayesplot color scheme

**Value**

a ggplot object

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plot_beta	<i>Visualize posterior samples of individual-specific disease effect magnitude parameters</i>
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**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_components	<i>Visualize the (average) inferred components evaluated at data points</i>
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**Description**

Visualize the (average) inferred components evaluated at data points

**Usage**

```
plot_components(fit, corrected = TRUE, title = NULL,
  sample_idx = NULL, linealpha = 0.6)
```

**Arguments**

fit	An object of class lgpfit.
corrected	Should this plot the covariate-effect corrected components?
title	optional prefix to plot title
sample_idx	If given, only one sample will be plotted, else the average components over all samples.
linealpha	line alpha

**Value**

a ggplot object

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plot_data	<i>A spaghetti plot of longitudinal data.</i>
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**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)
```

**Arguments**

data	A data frame.
highlight	Name of a covariate to be highlighted with color, or id of a subject to be highlighted.
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

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plot_data_hl_cat	<i>A spaghetti plot of longitudinal data, highlighting a categorical covariate.</i>
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**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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plot_data_hl_cont	<i>A spaghetti plot of longitudinal data, highlighting a continuous covariate.</i>
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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

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plot_data_hl_disease	<i>A spaghetti plot of longitudinal data, highlighting based on disease group.</i>
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**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

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plot\_data\_hl\_individual

*A spaghetti plot of longitudinal data, highlighting one individual.*

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**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)
```

**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

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plot_data_plain	<i>A spaghetti plot of longitudinal data without highlighting.</i>
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**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_inputwarp	<i>Visualize the input warping function for different parameter samples</i>
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**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)

**Value**

a ggplot object



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plot_onset	<i>Visualize posterior uncertainty in the disease onset</i>
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**Description**

Can only be used if the uncertainty of onset was modeled.

**Usage**

```
plot_onset(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.
prob	Inner interval
prob_outer	Outer interval
point_est	Point estimate type

**Value**

a ggplot object

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plot_posterior_components	<i>Plot posterior of the components of f</i>
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**Description**

Plot posterior of the components of f

**Usage**

```
plot_posterior_components(fit, PRED = NULL, color_scheme = "red",
                          alpha = 0.1, alpha_line = 1, plot_uncertainty = TRUE,
                          title = NULL, ylim = NULL, n_sds = 2, original_y_scale = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

fit	An object of class lgpfit.
PRED	Predictions computed using lgp_predict.
color_scheme	Name of bayesplot color scheme or a list with fieds 'dark' and 'light'.
alpha	Ribbon fill opacity.
alpha_line	Line opacity
plot_uncertainty	Should an uncertainty ribbon be plotted?

title	optional prefix to plot title
ylim	y axis limits
n_sds	number of standard deviations for the uncertainty band width
original_y_scale	should the predictions be scaled back to original data scale

**Value**

a ggplot object

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plot_posterior_f	<i>Plot posterior of f</i>
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**Description**

This is a wrapper for [plot\\_posterior\\_components](#). and [plot\\_posterior\\_predictions](#).

**Usage**

```
plot_posterior_f(fit, PRED = NULL, componentwise = FALSE,
  plot_uncertainty = TRUE, n_sds = 2)
```

**Arguments**

fit	An object of class lgpfit.
PRED	Predictions computed using lgp_predict.
componentwise	A boolean value.
plot_uncertainty	Should an uncertainty ribbon be plotted?
n_sds	number of standard deviations for the uncertainty band width

**Value**

a ggplot object

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plot_posterior_predictions	<i>Plot posterior of f or predictive distribution for y</i>
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**Description**

Plot posterior of f or predictive distribution for y

**Usage**

```
plot_posterior_predictions(fit, mode, PRED = NULL,
  color_scheme = "red", color_scheme_onset = "gray", alpha = 0.5,
  alpha_line = 1, alpha2 = 0.5, plot_uncertainty = TRUE,
  title = NULL, ylim = NULL, plot_obs_onset = FALSE,
  plot_onset_samples = FALSE, ypos_dens = NULL, test_data = NULL,
  color_test = "deepskyblue2", pch_test = 21, size_test = 2,
  error_bar = FALSE, n_sds = 2, reference_onsets = NULL,
  post_onset_statistic = "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.
mode	Must be either "posterior" or "predictive".
PRED	Predictions computed using lgp_predict.
color_scheme	Name of bayesplot color scheme or a list with fiends 'dark' and 'light'.
color_scheme_onset	color scheme name for onset 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
ylim	y axis limits
plot_obs_onset	should the observed disease onset be plotted by a vertical line
plot_onset_samples	should a distribution of sampled onsets be plotted
ypos_dens	y-position of the density plot
test_data	Test data frame
color_test	test point color
pch_test	test point marker
size_test	test point size
error_bar	should uncertainty be plotted using error bars instead of a ribbon
n_sds	number of standard deviations for the uncertainty band width
reference_onsets	reference onset times
post_onset_statistic	statistic computed from onset 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

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plot_posterior_y	<i>Plot posterior predictive distribution</i>
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**Description**

This is a wrapper for [plot\\_posterior\\_predictions](#).

**Usage**

```
plot_posterior_y(fit, PRED, uncertainty = "ribbon", test_data = NULL,
  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.
n_sds	number of standard deviations for the uncertainty band width

**Value**

a ggplot object

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plot_predictions_add_onsets	<i>Add disease onsets to predictions plot</i>
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**Description**

NOTE: currently assumes that diseased individuals come first.

**Usage**

```
plot_predictions_add_onsets(fit, h, plot_obs_onset, plot_onset_samples,
  idvar, timevar, ypos_dens, color_scheme_onset, reference_onsets,
  post_onset_statistic, linetypes = c(1, 2, 3), linecolors = c("black",
  "red", "gray50"), alpha2 = 1)
```

**Arguments**

fit	An object of class lgpfit.
h	a ggplot object
plot_obs_onset	a boolean value
plot_onset_samples	a boolean value
idvar	id variable name
timevar	time variable name
ypos_dens	y position of the estimated onset density
color_scheme_onset	color scheme
reference_onsets	reference onset times
post_onset_statistic	statistic computed from onset samples
linetypes	onset line types
linecolors	onset line colors
alpha2	alpha parameter

**Value**

a modified ggplot object

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plot\_predictions\_options

*Do input checks and set options for plotting predictions*

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**Description**

Do input checks and set options for plotting predictions

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

fit	An object of class lgpfit.
color_scheme	Name of bayesplot color scheme.
componentwise	Should the predictions be plotted componentwise?
original_y_scale	Boolean value.
PRED	Predictions computed using lgp_predict.
test_data	test data
color_scheme_onset	Another color scheme.
mode	mode
n_sds	number of standard deviations for the uncertainty band width

**Value**

a list

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plot_relevances	<i>Barplot of covariate relevances</i>
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**Description**

Barplot of covariate relevances

**Usage**

```
plot_relevances(object, color_scheme = "red")
```

**Arguments**

object	an object of class <code>lgpfit</code>
color_scheme	bayesplot color scheme name

**Value**

a ggplot object

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plot_samples	<i>Visualize the distribution of the model parameter samples</i>
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---

**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())
```

**Arguments**

object	An object of class <code>lgpfit</code> .
pars	parameter names
regex_pars	regex for parameter names
type	Visualization type. Must be either "dens", "areas", "intervals"(default) or "hist".
prob	inner interval
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

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plot_simdata	<i>Visualize simulated data</i>
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**Description**

This is a wrapper for plot\_simdata\_by\_individual and plot\_simdata\_by\_component

**Usage**

```
plot_simdata(simData, componentwise = FALSE, nrow = NULL,
             ncol = NULL, i_test = NULL, color_test = "steelblue2")
```

**Arguments**

simData	a list returned by <a href="#">simulate_data</a>
componentwise	should each component be plotted separately?
nrow	an argument for ggplot2::facet_wrap
ncol	an argument for ggplot2::facet_wrap
i_test	test point indices
color_test	test point color

**Value**

a ggplot object

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plot\_simdata\_by\_component

*Plot each component of a simulated longitudinal data set separately*


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### Description

Plot each component of a simulated longitudinal data set separately

### Usage

```
plot_simdata_by_component(simData, linecolor = "black", nrow = NULL,
  ncol = NULL, plot_point = TRUE, linealpha = 1)
```

### Arguments

simData	a list returned by <a href="#">simulate_data</a>
linecolor	line color
nrow	an argument for <code>ggplot2::facet_wrap</code>
ncol	an argument for <code>ggplot2::facet_wrap</code>
plot_point	should points be plotted also
linealpha	line alpha

### Value

a ggplot object

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plot\_simdata\_by\_individual

*Plot a simulated longitudinal data set for each individual separately*


---

### Description

Plot a simulated longitudinal data set for each individual separately

### Usage

```
plot_simdata_by_individual(simData, linecolor = "gray70", nrow = NULL,
  ncol = NULL, i_test = NULL, color_test = "steelblue2")
```

### Arguments

simData	a list returned by <a href="#">simulate_data</a>
linecolor	line color
nrow	an argument for <code>ggplot2::facet_wrap</code>
ncol	an argument for <code>ggplot2::facet_wrap</code>
i_test	test point indices
color_test	test point color



**Value**

a ggplot object

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postproc	<i>Finalize the lgpfif object after sampling</i>
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**Description**

Creates the lgpfif slots

1. components - Inferred components.
2. components\_corrected - Covariate-effect corrected components.
3. component\_relevances - Inferred component relevances.
4. covariate\_relevances - Inferred covariate relevances.
5. signal\_variance - Signal variance.
6. residual\_variance - Residual variance.
7. covariate\_selection - Covariate selection info

all of which are lists that contain the fields samples and average.

**Usage**

```
postproc(fit, threshold = 0.95, ell_smooth = "ell_shared",
  ell_smooth_multip = 1, sample_idx = NULL,
  average_before_variance = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

fit	An (incomplete) object of class lgpfif.
threshold	Covariate selection threshold.
ell_smooth	Defines how to determine smoothing lengthscale for corrected shared age effect inference. Possible options are <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. "ell_shared" (default) - the sampled lengthscale of the shared age component is used as ell_smooth</li> <li>2. "none" - no correction will be performed</li> <li>3. A numeric argument that directly defines ell_smooth</li> </ol>
ell_smooth_multip	a multiplier for ell_smooth
sample_idx	If supplied, this just returns the inferred components for one sample.
average_before_variance	Should the variances be computed using average components?

**Value**

An updated object of class lgpfif.

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predict_preproc	<i>Preprocess some things before computing predictions</i>
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**Description**

This is a helper function for [lgp\\_predict](#).

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

fit	An object of class <code>lgpfit</code> .
X_test	The test points where the predictions should be computed.
samples	The samples argument to <a href="#">lgp_predict</a>

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print_prior	<i>Human-readable description of a specified prior</i>
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**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 <code>lgpfit</code> or a valid prior argument for the ‘ <code>lgp</code> ’ function.
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**Value**

nothing

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prior_default	<i>Create the default prior</i>
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**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 lgp function.

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prior_LonGP	<i>Create a similar default prior as in LonGP (Cheng et. al, 2019)</i>
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**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.

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prior_stan_to_readable	<i>Human-readable information about the priors in the Stan data object</i>
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**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`.

**Value**

Info as a string.

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prior_statement	<i>Human-readable prior statement</i>
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**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.

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prior_to_stan	<i>Get priors as a format that can be input to Stan</i>
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**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	<i>Repeat a vector as a rows of an array</i>
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**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

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rtgeom	<i>Sample from the 'truncated geometric' distribution</i>
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**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	<i>Scale the effect sizes</i>
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**Description**

Scale the effect sizes

**Usage**

```
scaleRelevances(FFF, relevances, force_zero_mean = TRUE, i_dis)
```

**Arguments**

FFF	matrix where one column corresponds to one additive data component
relevances	the desired variance of each component (column)
force_zero_mean	should each component be forced to have zero mean?
i_dis	index of a component for which the zero-mean forcing is skipped

**Value**

a new matrix FFF

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separate_effects	<i>Separate the covariate effects from an interaction components of a categorical covariate and age</i>
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**Description**

Separate the covariate effects from an interaction components of a categorical covariate and age

**Usage**

```
separate_effects(f_post, t, D, ell, i_edit)
```

**Arguments**

f_post	a matrix of size n x sum(D)
t	vector of n time points corresponding to f_post
D	a vector of length 6
ell	kernel lengthscale
i_edit	Indices of columns whose effect should be moved to shared age.

**Value**

a corrected f\_post

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show,lgpfit-method	<i>Show a summary of results of the lgp function</i>
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**Description**

Show a summary of results of the lgp function

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

object            an object of class lgpfit

**Value**

nothing

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show,lgpmodel-method	<i>Show a summary of an lgpmodel</i>
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**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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show_relevances	<i>Print info about component and covariate relevances</i>
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**Description**

Print info about component and covariate relevances

**Usage**

```
show_relevances(fit)
```

**Arguments**

fit	an object of class <code>lgpfit</code>
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**Value**

nothing

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simdata_colnames_pretty	<i>Simulated data column names in a prettier form</i>
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**Description**

Simulated data column names in a prettier form

**Usage**

```
simdata_colnames_pretty(cn)
```

**Arguments**

cn	column names
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**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_cats = rep(2,
  sum(covariates %in% c(2, 3))), t_jitter = 0, lengthscale = 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), onset_range = "auto",
  t_observed = "after_0", C_hat = 0, dis_fun = "gp_vm",
  useBinKernel = TRUE, steepness = 0.5, vm_params = c(0.025, 1),
  continuous_info = list(mu = c(pi/8, pi, -0.5), lambda = c(pi/8, pi,
  1)))
```

**Arguments**

N	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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 0 = disease-related age</li> <li>• 1 = other continuous covariate</li> <li>• 2 = a categorical covariate that interacts with age</li> <li>• 3 = a categorical covariate that acts as a group offset</li> <li>• 4 = a categorical covariate that acts as a group offset AND is restricted to have value 0 for controls and 1 for cases</li> </ul>
names	Covariate names.
relevances	Relative relevance of each component. Must have be a vector so that <code>length(relevances) = 2 + length(covariates)</code> . First two values define the relevance of the individual-specific age and shared age component, respectively.
n_cats	An integer vector defining the number of categories for each categorical covariate, so that <code>length(n_cats)</code> 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.
lengthscale	A vector so that <code>length(lengthscale) = 2 + sum(covariates %in% c(0,1,2))</code> .
f_var	variance of f
noise_type	Either "Gaussian", "Poisson" or "NB" (negative binomial).

snr	The desired signal-to-noise ratio. This argument is valid only with <code>noise_type = "Gaussian"</code> .
phi	The dispersion parameter for negative binomial noise.
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 <code>covariates</code> contains a zero.
onset_range	Time interval from which the disease onsets are sampled uniformly. Alternatively, This can any function that returns the (possibly randomly generated) real disease onset time for one individual.
t_observed	Determines how the disease onset is observed. This can be any function that takes the real disease onset as an argument and returns the (possibly randomly generated) observed onset time. Alternatively, this can be a string of the form <code>"after_n"</code> or <code>"random_p"</code> or <code>"exact"</code> .
C_hat	A constant added to <code>f</code>
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 <code>dis_fun</code> is <code>"gp_vm"</code> or <code>"gp_ns"</code> , the disease component is drawn from a nonstationary GP prior (vm is the variance masked version of it).
useBinKernel	Should the binary kernel be used for categorical covariates? If this is <code>TRUE</code> , 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 <code>useMaskedVarianceKernel = TRUE</code>
continuous_info	<p>Info for generating continuous covariates. Must be a list containing fields <code>lambda</code> and <code>mu</code>, which have length 3. The continuous covariates are generated so that <math>x \leftarrow \sin(a \cdot t + b) + c</math>, where</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><code>t &lt;- seq(0, 2*pi, length.out = k)</code></li> <li><code>a &lt;- mu[1] + lambda[1]*stats::runif(1)</code></li> <li><code>b &lt;- mu[2] + lambda[2]*stats::runif(1)</code></li> <li><code>c &lt;- mu[3] + lambda[3]*stats::runif(1)</code></li> </ul>

## 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$onsets` contains the real disease onset times
- `out$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)
```

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simulate_kernels	<i>Compute all kernel matrices when simulating data</i>
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**Description**

Compute all kernel matrices when simulating data

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

X	covariates
types	vector of covariate types, so that <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 = ID</li> <li>• 2 = age</li> <li>• 3 = diseaseAge</li> <li>• 4 = other continuous covariate</li> <li>• 5 = a categorical covariate that interacts with age</li> <li>• 6 = a categorical covariate that acts as an offset</li> </ul>
lengthscales	vector of lengthscales
X_affected	which individuals are affected by the disease
useBinKernel	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

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sim_check_covariates	<i>Input check for the covariates-related arguments of simulate_data</i>
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**Description**

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

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

covariates	argument to simulate_data
relevances	argument to simulate_data
names	argument to simulate_data
n_cat	the n_cats argument to simulate_data

**Value**

the covariate names

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

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**Description**

Real generated disease ages to observed ones

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

dat	data frame
t_observed	Determines how the disease onset is observed. See documentation of <a href="#">simulate_data</a> .

**Value**

a new data frame and observed onsets

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sim\_generate\_names    *Generate names for covariates*

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**Description**

Generate names for covariates

**Usage**

```
sim_generate_names(covariates)
```

**Arguments**

covariates	vector of covariate types
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**Value**

covariate names

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sim_parse_t_obs	<i>Parse the t_observed argument of simulate_data</i>
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**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

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split_data	<i>Split data into training and test data according to given row indices</i>
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**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

**Value**

a list(train, test)

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split_data_by_id	<i>Split data into training and test data according to given individuals</i>
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**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**

a list(train, test)

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split_data_by_timepoint	<i>Split data into training and test data according to time point indices</i>
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**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
test_idx	indices of test time points
id_variable	name of id variable
time_variable	name of time variable

**Value**

a list(train, test)

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split_data_random	<i>Split data into training and test data randomly</i>
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**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**

a list(train, test)

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split_data_random_each	<i>Split data into training and test data by selecting randomly k points from each individual</i>
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**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

**Value**

a list(train, test)

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standardize_inputs	<i>Standardize continuous input variables in X</i>
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**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

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stan_input_X_and_D	<i>Predictor covariates and types to Stan input</i>
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**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	<i>Validate prior by sampling the signal and noise from it</i>
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**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 <a href="#">lgpmodel</a> .
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'.

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varsel	<i>Covariate selection</i>
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**Description**

Covariate selection

**Usage**

```
varsel(object, threshold = 0.95, verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

object	An object of class <code>lgpfit</code> .
threshold	A threshold for proportion of explained variance
verbose	should this print some output

**Value**

the selected covariates

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warp_input	<i>Warp inputs</i>
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**Description**

Warp inputs

**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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