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cf_lm

*Coarse-to-fine spatial linear modeling***Description**

Prediction and regression via coarse-to-fine spatial linear modeling.

Usage

```
cf_lm(y, x, coords, x0 = NULL, coords0 = NULL, mod_hv)
```

Arguments

y	Vector of response variables (N x 1).
x	Matrix of covariates (N x K).
coords	Matrix of 2-dimensional point coordinates (N x 2).
x0	Optional. Matrix of covariates at prediction sites (N0 x K).
coords0	Optional. Matrix of 2-dimensional point coordinates at prediction sites (N0 x 2).
mod_hv	Output object of the cf_lm_hv function.

Value

A list with the following elements:

beta Regression coefficients, their standard errors, and the lower and upper limits of the 95 percent confidence intervals.

sd_summary Standard deviation of the regression term (xb), spatial process (spatial_scale1, spatial_scale2,...), additional learning, and residuals.

e_summary R-squared and RMSE for validation samples, and residual standard deviation (residual_SD), and root mean squared error for the validation samples (validation_RMSE)

pred Predictive means and standard deviations (sample sites).

pred0 Predictive means and standard deviations (prediction sites).

bands Bandwidth values for each scale. The i-th bandwidth is used for the spatial process corresponding to the i-th column of the Z matrix).

Z Predictive mean of the spatial process in each scale (sample sites; list).

Z_sd Predictive standard deviation of the spatial process in each scale (sample sites; list).

Z0 Predictive mean of the spatial process in each scale (prediction sites; list).

Z0_sd Predictive standard deviation of the spatial process in each scale (prediction sites; list).

Other Other internal output objects.

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References

Murakami, D., Comber, A., Yoshida, T., Tsutsumida, N., Brunsdon, C., & Nakaya, T. (2025). Coarse-to-fine spatial modeling: A scalable, machine-learning-compatible spatial model. **arXiv:2510.00968**.

See Also

[cf_lm_hv](#), [sp_scalewise](#)

Examples

```
set.seed(123)
require(sp); require(sf)
data(meuse)
data(meuse.grid)

### Data
y      <- log(meuse[, "zinc"])
coords <- meuse[, c("x", "y")]
x      <- data.frame(dist = meuse[, "dist"],
                    ffreq2 = as.integer(meuse$ffreq == 2),
                    ffreq3 = as.integer(meuse$ffreq == 3))

### Data at prediction sites
coords0 <- meuse.grid[, c("x", "y")]
x0      <- data.frame(dist = meuse.grid[, "dist"],
                    ffreq2 = as.integer(meuse.grid$ffreq == 2),
                    ffreq3 = as.integer(meuse.grid$ffreq == 3))

### Holdout validation optimizing the number of spatial scales
mod_hv <- cf_lm_hv(y = y, x = x, coords = coords, add_learn = "none")

### Spatial modeling and prediction
mod <- cf_lm(y = y, x = x, x0 = x0, coords = coords, coords0 = coords0,
            mod_hv = mod_hv)

mod

### Mapping predictive mean and standard deviations (SD)
meuse.grid$pred <- mod$pred0$pred
meuse.grid$pred_sd <- mod$pred0$pred_sd
meuse.grid_sf <- st_as_sf(meuse.grid, coords = c("x", "y"))
plot(meuse.grid_sf[, "pred"], pch = 15, cex = 0.5, nbreaks = 20) # Predictive mean
plot(meuse.grid_sf[, "pred_sd"], pch = 15, cex = 0.5, nbreaks = 20) # Predictive SD

### Multiscale spatial pattern/feature extraction
mod_s1 <- sp_scalewise(mod, bw_range = c(1000, Inf)) # Large scale (1000 <= bandwidth)
mod_s2 <- sp_scalewise(mod, bw_range = c(500, 1000)) # Middle scale (500 <= bandwidth <= 1000)
mod_s3 <- sp_scalewise(mod, bw_range = c(0, 500)) # Small scale (bandwidth <= 500)
z1 <- mod_s1$pred0$pred # Predictive mean
z2 <- mod_s2$pred0$pred
z3 <- mod_s3$pred0$pred
z1_sd <- mod_s1$pred0$pred_sd # Predictive SD
z2_sd <- mod_s2$pred0$pred_sd
```

```

z3_sd <- mod_s3$pred0$pred_sd
meuse.grid_sf3 <- cbind(meuse.grid_sf, z1, z2, z3, z1_sd, z2_sd, z3_sd)
plot(meuse.grid_sf3[,c("z1","z2","z3")], pch = 15,
     cex = 0.5, nbreaks = 20, key.pos=4, axes=TRUE) # Predictive means
plot(meuse.grid_sf3[,c("z1_sd","z2_sd","z3_sd")], pch = 15,
     cex = 0.5, nbreaks = 20, key.pos=4, axes=TRUE) # Predictive SD

```

cf_lm_hv

*Holdout validation for coarse-to-fine training of spatial linear models***Description**

Trains a coarse-to-fine spatial linear model and optimizes the spatial scale (resolution) through progressive holdout validation.

Usage

```

cf_lm_hv(
  y,
  x = NULL,
  coords,
  train_rat = 0.75,
  id_train = NULL,
  alpha = 0.9,
  kernel = "exp",
  add_learn = "none"
)

```

Arguments

y	Vector of response variables (N x 1).
x	Matrix of covariates (N x K).
coords	Matrix of 2-dimensional point coordinates (N x 2).
train_rat	Training sample ratio (default: 0.75). When N >= 1000, training samples are randomly selected. Otherwise, samples closest to the k-mean centers are used to stabilize the training.
id_train	Optional. If specified, the corresponding samples are used as training samples. Otherwise, training samples are selected at random (default).
alpha	Decay ratio of the kernel bandwidth in the coarse-to-fine training (default: 0.9).
kernel	Kernel type for modeling spatial dependence. "exp" for the exponential kernel (default) and "gau" for the Gaussian kernel.
add_learn	If "rf", random forest is additionally trained to capture non-linear patterns and/or higher-order interactions. Default is "none", meaning no additional training.

Value

A list with the following elements:

sse_hv Sum-of-squared error (SSE) for validation samples.

sse_hv_all All the SSEs obtained in each learning step.

id_train ID of training samples.

other List of other outcomes, which are internally used.

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References

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See Also

[cf_lm](#)

sp_scalewise

Extract scale-wise spatial processes

Description

Evaluate mean and variance of the spatial process with bandwidth values within a pre-specified range

Usage

```
sp_scalewise(mod, bw_range = c(0, Inf))
```

Arguments

mod	Output object from the <code>cf_lm</code> function.
bw_range	Range of bandwidth values of the simulated spatial processes. For example, if <code>bw_range = c(10, 20)</code> , spatial processes with bandwidths between 10 and 20 are synthesized and simulated. The default is <code>c(0, Inf)</code> , which synthesizes all scales.

Value

A list with the following elements:

pred Means and standard deviations of the spatial process (sample sites).

pred0 Means and standard deviations of the spatial process (prediction sites).

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