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spatialfusion-package Multivariate Analysis of Spatial Data Using a Unifying Spatial Fusion Framework

# **Description**

Multivariate modelling of geostatistical (point), lattice (areal) and point pattern data in a unifying spatial fusion framework. Details are given in Wang and Furrer (2021) <doi:10.1016/j.csda.2021.107240>. Model inference is done using either 'Stan' <https://mc-stan.org/> or 'INLA' <https://www.r-inla.org/>.

#### **Details**

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## Data analysis pipeline

**Preparing data:** fusionData() is used to set up the data structure needed for spatial fusion modelling. Depending on the chosen 'method', either a dstan or a dinla object is returned. This object is then suppied to the 'data' argument in fusion() for fitting a spatial fusion model. In terms of the 'method', Stan provides Hamiltonian Monte Carlo-based full Bayesian inference, while INLA provides approximate Bayesian inferece at a much faster computation speed.

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Their results are very similar in our simulation studies (Wang and Furrer, 2021 <doi:10.1016/j.csda.2021.107240>).

IMPORTANT: Users should be familiar with either **rstan** or **INLA** packages themselves. For Stan, users should know how to choose priors appropriately. For INLA, users should know how to set up an appropriate mesh.

**Fitting model:** fusion() is used to fit a spatial fusion model. The most related publication is by Wang and Furrer (2021) <doi:10.1016/j.csda.2021.107240>, which introduced the framework.

We suggest users to test their model on smaller sub-sampled dataset first, to check model fitting issues such as convergence, identifiability etc. It also helps to get an idea of the computation time required. Afterwards, users can fit the model to their full dataset. The output has a class fusionModel.

**Model diagnostics:** Common generic functions such as fitted(), predict(), summary() and plot() are available for fusionModel objects. Diagnostics of spatial fusion models should be done in the same way as for a Stan or a INLA model, depending on the chosen method.

#### Author(s)

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# **Examples**

```
## Citations
citation('spatialfusion')
## Vignette
vignette("spatialfusion_vignette", package = "spatialfusion")
```

dataDomain

Municipality map for Canton of Zurich

# Description

This dataset gives the municipality (gemeinde) map for the Canton of Zurich in Switzerland as of 2019, consisting of 162 municipalities.

## Usage

dataDomain

#### **Format**

An sf data frame containing 162 Polygons.

## References

https://www.zh.ch/de/politik-staat/statistik-daten.html (Visited: 26/06/2021)

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dataGeo

Simulated geostatistical data

# **Description**

This dataset gives simulated geostatistical data at 200 locations with a normal-distributed response variable and a covariate.

# Usage

dataGeo

#### **Format**

An sf data frame containing 200 observations with "lungfunction" as the response variable and a "covariate".

dataLattice

Simulated lattice data

# Description

This dataset gives simulated lattice data at 162 areas with a Poisson-distributed response variable, a covariate and an offset term. It has the same set of polygons as dataDomain.

# Usage

dataLattice

#### **Format**

An sf data frame containing 162 observations with "mortality" as the response variable, a "covariate" and a "pop" as the population offset term.

## See Also

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dataPP

Simulated point pattern data

# Description

This dataset gives the coordinates of 116 events.

## Usage

dataPP

## **Format**

A SpatialPoints containing 116 locations with events.

fitted

Obtain fitted values of spatial fusion model

# **Description**

Generate fitted values of the response variables based on a spatial fusion model.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'fusionModel'
fitted(object, type = c("link", "summary", "full", "latent"), ...)
```

# **Arguments**

object of class fusionModel. Output of fusion().

type string. The default "link" gives the median of linear predictors; "summary" gives

the mean, standard deviation and quantiles of linear predictors; "full" gives full marginals for INLA or posterior samples for Stan; "latent" gives the median of

latent processes with their corresponding locations.

... additional arguments not used.

#### **Details**

For INLA models, no posterior values for point pattern data will be generated.

## Value

The returned value is a list containing the fitted results for each response variable.

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#### Author(s)

Craig Wang

#### See Also

fusion, fusion.dinla, fusion.dstan.

#### **Examples**

```
## example based on simulated data
if (requireNamespace("INLA", quietly = TRUE)) {
dat <- fusionSimulate(n.point = 20, n.area = 10, n.grid = 2,</pre>
          psill = 1, phi = 1, nugget = 0, tau.sq = 0.5,
          point.beta = list(rbind(1,5)),
          area.beta = list(rbind(-1, 0.5)),
          distributions = c("normal", "poisson"),
          design.mat = matrix(c(1,1,1)))
geo_data <- data.frame(x = dat$mrf[dat$sample.ind, "x"],</pre>
                y = dat$mrf[dat$sample.ind, "y"],
                cov.point = dat$data$X_point[,2],
                outcome = dat$data$Y_point[[1]])
lattice_data <-cbind(dat$poly,</pre>
                      data.frame(outcome = dat$data$Y_area[[1]],
                     cov.area = dat$data$X_area[,2]))
dat_inla <- fusionData(geo.data = geo_data, geo.formula = outcome ~ cov.point,</pre>
                lattice.data = lattice_data, lattice.formula = outcome ~ cov.area,
                pp.data = dat$data$lgcp.coords[[1]],
                distributions = c("normal", "poisson"),
                method = "INLA")
mod_inla <- fusion(data = dat_inla, n.latent = 1, bans = 0,</pre>
                prior.range = c(1, 0.5), prior.sigma = c(1, 0.5),
                mesh.locs = dat_inla$locs_point, mesh.max.edge = c(0.5, 1))
fit_inla <- fitted(mod_inla, type = "summary")</pre>
```

fusion

Fit a spatial fusion model

## **Description**

Fit a spatial fusion model based on the unifying framework proposed by Wang and Furrer (2021). One or more latent Gaussian process(es) is assumed to be associated with the spatial response variables.

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## Usage

```
fusion(data, n.latent = 1, bans = 0, pp.offset,
     verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

#### Arguments

data an object of class either dstan or dinla. Output of fusionData().

n.latent integer. Number of latent processes to be modeled.

bans either 0 or a matrix of 0s and 1s with dimension J times n.latent, where J is the

total number of response variables. If matrix, 1 indicates banning an association between the latent process and response variable. If 0, no association is banned.

pp.offset numeric, vector of numeric or matrix of numeric. Offset term for point pattern

data.

verbose logical. If TRUE, prints progress and debugging information.

... additional arguments depending on the class of data

#### **Details**

It is not possible to add covariates for point pattern data. However, an offset term can be supplied. Any covariate information can be taken into account by firstly fit a fixed effect model and enter the fitted values into the offset term as pp.offset.

#### Value

The returned value is a named list of class fusionModel consisting of model output and data structure used. If the model is fitted with INLA, the mesh used is also included.

#### Author(s)

Craig Wang

#### References

Wang, C., Furrer, R. and for the SNC Study Group (2021). Combining heterogeneous spatial datasets with process-based spatial fusion models: A unifying framework. *Computational Statistics & Data Analysis*, 161, 107240.

## See Also

fusion.dinla, fusion.dstan, fusionData for preparing data, fitted.fusionModel for extracting fitted values, predict.fusionModel for prediction.

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```
point.beta = list(rbind(1,5)),
          area.beta = list(rbind(-1, 0.5)),
          distributions = c("normal", "poisson"),
          design.mat = matrix(c(1,1)))
geo_data <- data.frame(x = dat$mrf[dat$sample.ind, "x"],</pre>
                y = dat$mrf[dat$sample.ind, "y"],
                cov.point = dat$data$X_point[,2],
                outcome = dat$data$Y_point[[1]])
lattice_data <- cbind(dat$poly,</pre>
                     data.frame(outcome = dat$data$Y_area[[1]],
                      cov.area = dat$data$X_area[,2]))
dat_stan <- fusionData(geo.data = geo_data, geo.formula = outcome ~ cov.point,</pre>
                lattice.data = lattice_data, lattice.formula = outcome ~ cov.area,
                distributions = c("normal", "poisson"),
                method = "Stan")
## S3 method for class 'dstan'
mod_stan <- fusion(data = dat_stan, n.latent = 1, bans = 0,</pre>
                prior.phi = list(distr = "normal", pars = c(1, 10)),
                nsamples = 1000, nburnin = 500, nchain = 1, ncore = 1)
summary(mod_stan)
if (requireNamespace("INLA", quietly = TRUE)) {
dat <- fusionSimulate(n.point = 20, n.area = 10, n.grid = 10, n.pred =15,</pre>
          psill = 1, phi = 1, nugget = 0, tau.sq = 0.5,
          point.beta = list(rbind(1,5)),
          area.beta = list(rbind(-1, 0.5)), nvar.pp = 1,
          distributions = c("normal", "poisson"),
          design.mat = matrix(c(1,1,1), ncol=1), pp.offset = 1)
geo_data <- data.frame(x = dat$mrf[dat$sample.ind, "x"],</pre>
                y = dat$mrf[dat$sample.ind, "y"],
                cov.point = dat$data$X_point[,2],
                outcome = dat$data$Y_point[[1]])
lattice_data <- cbind(dat$poly,</pre>
                      data.frame(outcome = dat$data$Y_area[[1]],
                     cov.area = dat$data$X_area[,2]))
dat_inla <- fusionData(geo.data = geo_data, geo.formula = outcome ~ cov.point,
                lattice.data = lattice_data, lattice.formula = outcome ~ cov.area,
              pp.data = dat$data$lgcp.coords[[1]], distributions = c("normal", "poisson"),
                method = "INLA")
## S3 method for class 'dinla'
mod_inla <- fusion(data = dat_inla, n.latent = 1, bans = 0,</pre>
                prior.range = c(1, 0.5), prior.sigma = c(1, 0.5),
```

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```
mesh.locs = dat\_inla\$locs\_point, \; mesh.max.edge = c(0.5, \; 1)) \\ summary(mod\_inla) \\ \}
```

fusion.dinla

Fit a spatial fusion model using INLA

# **Description**

Fit a spatial fusion model using INLA based on the unifying framework proposed by Wang and Furrer (2021). One or more latent Gaussian process(es) is assumed to be associated with the spatial response variables.

# Usage

```
## $3 method for class 'dinla'
fusion(data, n.latent = 1, bans = 0, pp.offset,
   verbose = FALSE, alpha = 3/2, prior.range,
   prior.sigma, prior.args, mesh.locs, mesh.max.edge,
   mesh.args, inla.args, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

data	an object of class dinla. Output of fusionData().
n.latent	integer. Number of latent processes to be modeled.
bans	either 0 or a matrix of 0s and 1s with dimension J times n.latent, where J is the total number of response variables. If matrix, 1 indicates banning an association between the latent process and response variable. If 0, no association is banned.
pp.offset	numeric, vector of numeric or matrix of numeric. Offset term for point pattern data.
verbose	logical. If TRUE, prints progress and debugging information
alpha	numeric between 0 and 2. Determines the covariance model, defined as $\nu+1$ for two dimensional space. Default value is 3/2 which corresponds to the exponential covariance model. See details.
prior.range	vector of length 2, with (range0, Prange) specifying that $P(\rho\sqrt{8\nu} < \text{range0}) = Prange$ , where $\rho\sqrt{8\nu}$ is the practical spatial range of the random field. If Prange is NA, then range0 is used as a fixed range value. See details.
prior.sigma	vector of length 2, with (sigma0, Psigma) specifying that $P(\sigma > \text{sigma0}) = P\text{sigma}$ , where $\sigma$ is the marginal standard deviation of the field. If Psigma is NA, then sigma0 is used as a fixed sigma value. See details.
prior.args	named list. Other prior arguments for inla.spde2.matern() in INLA.
mesh.locs	matrix with two columns, or a SpatialPoints, SpatialPointsDataFrame object. Locations to be used as initial triangulation nodes.

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mesh.max.edge vector of length one or two. The largest allowed triangle edge length for inner

(and optional outer extension) mesh.

mesh.args named list. Other mesh arguments passed to inla.mesh.2d() in **INLA**.

inla.args named list. Other inla arguments passed to inla() INLA.

... additional arguments not used

#### **Details**

The prior used for modeling the latent spatial processes is inla.spde2.matern. Each spatial component is named as sij, where i denotes the ith latent process and j denotes the jth variable. For example, s12 is the first latent process that is associated with the second variable. The first variable (with the following ordering: geostatistical, lattice, point pattern data) that a spatial component is associated with will have the original component, then the subsequent spatial components associated with other variables are treated as 'copies' of the original component modified by a coefficient Beta, as one of the latent parameters.

The INLA approximation only works for Matern covariance function, which can be written as

$$C(d) = \sigma^2/(2^{\nu-1}\Gamma(\nu)) * (d\sqrt{2\nu}/\rho)^{\nu} K_{\nu}(d\sqrt{2\nu}/\rho),$$

where d is the Euclidean distance,  $K_{\nu}$  is a modified Bessel function,  $\rho$  is the spatial range,  $\sigma^2$  is the partial sill and  $\nu$  is the smoothness parameter. NOTE: the range parameter in INLA output is defined as "practical range" as  $\rho\sqrt{8\nu}$ .

# Value

The returned value is a list consists of

model an object of class inla representing the fitted INLA model

mesh an object of class inla.mesh containing the mesh used.

data the data structure used to fit the model

## Author(s)

Craig Wang

#### References

Wang, C., Furrer, R. and for the SNC Study Group (2021). Combining heterogeneous spatial datasets with process-based spatial fusion models: A unifying framework. *Computational Statistics & Data Analysis*, 161, 107240.

#### See Also

fusionData for preparing data, fitted for extracting fitted values, predict for prediction.

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## **Examples**

```
## example based on simulated data
if (requireNamespace("INLA", quietly = TRUE)) {
dat <- fusionSimulate(n.point = 50, n.area = 20, n.grid = 4,</pre>
               psill = 1, phi = 1, nugget = 0, tau.sq = 0.5,
               point.beta = list(rbind(1,5)),
               area.beta = list(rbind(-1, 0.5)),
               distributions = c("normal", "poisson"),
               design.mat = matrix(c(1,1,1)))
geo_data <- data.frame(x = dat$mrf[dat$sample.ind, "x"],</pre>
                y = dat$mrf[dat$sample.ind, "y"],
                cov.point = dat$data$X_point[,2],
                outcome = dat$data$Y_point[[1]])
lattice_data <- cbind(dat$poly,</pre>
                     data.frame(outcome = dat$data$Y_area[[1]],
                     cov.area = dat$data$X_area[,2]))
dat_inla <- fusionData(geo.data = geo_data, geo.formula = outcome ~ cov.point,</pre>
                lattice.data = lattice_data, lattice.formula = outcome ~ cov.area,
              pp.data = dat$data$lgcp.coords[[1]], distributions = c("normal", "poisson"),
                method = "INLA")
mod_inla <- fusion(data = dat_inla, n.latent = 1, bans = 0,</pre>
                prior.range = c(1, 0.5), prior.sigma = c(1, 0.5),
                mesh.locs = dat_inla$locs_point, mesh.max.edge = c(0.5, 1))
summary(mod_inla)
}
```

fusion.dstan

Fit a spatial fusion model using Stan

## **Description**

Fit a spatial fusion model using Stan based on the unifying framework proposed by Wang and Furrer (2021). One or more latent Gaussian process(es) is assumed to be associated with the spatial response variables.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'dstan'
fusion(data, n.latent = 1, bans = 0, pp.offset,
    verbose = FALSE, prior.pointbeta, prior.areabeta,
    prior.tausq, prior.phi, prior.z,
    nsamples = 2000, nburnin = 1000, thinning = 1,
    nchain = 2, ncore = 2, adapt.delta = 0.95, ...)
```

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#### **Arguments**

an object of class dstan. Output of fusionData(). data integer. Number of latent processes to be modeled. n.latent bans either 0 or a matrix of 0s and 1s with dimension J times n.latent, where J is the total number of response variables. If matrix, 1 indicates banning an association between the latent process and response variable. If 0, no association is banned. pp.offset numeric, vector of numeric or matrix of numeric. Offset term for point pattern data. verbose logical. If TRUE, prints progress and debugging information. prior.pointbeta a list with prior information for the coefficients of geostatistical model component. The default prior is list(distr = "normal", pars = c(0, 10)), i.e. a normal distribution with mean 0 and standard devation 10. prior.areabeta a list with prior information for the coefficients of lattice model component. The default prior is list(distr = "normal", pars = c(0, 10)), i.e. a normal distribution with mean 0 and standard devation 10. a list with prior information for the coefficients of geostatistical model compoprior.tausq nent. The default prior is  $list(distr = "inv_gamma", pars = c(2, 1))$ , i.e. a inverse gamma distribution with shape 2 and rate 1. prior.phi a list with prior information for the spatial range parameter. NO default prior is available. We recomend using a moderately informative normal prior. prior.z a list with prior information for the design matrix, which also controls the partial sill. The default prior is list(distr = "normal", pars = c(1, 1)), i.e. a normal distribution with mean 1 and standard devation 1. nsamples a positive integer specifying the number of samples for each chain (including burn-in samples). Default 2000. nburnin a positive integer specifying the number of burn-in samples. Default 1000. thinning a positive integer specifying the thinning parameter. Default 1. a positive integer specifying the number of chains. Default 2. nchain a positive integer specifying the number of cores to use when executing the ncore chains in parallel. Default 2. adapt.delta a numeric value between 0 and 1 specifying the target acceptance rate. Default

#### **Details**

In the model parameterization, beta are fixed-effect coefficients, phi is the range parameter, Z\_ij is the ith row and j column of the design matrix for latent processes and tau\_sq is the variance parameter of a normal distribution.

additional arguments passed to sampling function in rstan

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## Value

The returned value is a list consists of

model an object of S4 class stanfit representing the fitted Stan model the data structure used to fit the model

#### Note

Only exponential covariance model for the latent processes is implemented. However, it can be easily extended by modifying the model code from the output.

# Author(s)

Craig Wang

## References

Wang, C., Furrer, R. and for the SNC Study Group (2021). Combining heterogeneous spatial datasets with process-based spatial fusion models: A unifying framework. *Computational Statistics & Data Analysis*, 161, 107240.

#### See Also

fusion.dinla, fusion.dstan, fusionData for preparing data, fitted.fusionModel for extracting fitted values, predict.fusionModel for prediction.

```
## example based on simulated data
dat <- fusionSimulate(n.point = 20, n.area = 10,</pre>
          psill = 1, phi = 1, nugget = 0, tau.sq = 0.5,
          point.beta = list(rbind(1,5)),
          area.beta = list(rbind(-1, 0.5)),
          distributions = c("normal", "poisson"),
          design.mat = matrix(c(1,1)))
geo_data <- data.frame(x = dat$mrf[dat$sample.ind, "x"],</pre>
                y = dat$mrf[dat$sample.ind, "y"],
                cov.point = dat$data$X_point[,2],
                outcome = dat$data$Y_point[[1]])
lattice_data <- cbind(dat$poly,</pre>
                     data.frame(outcome = dat$data$Y_area[[1]],
                     cov.area = dat$data$X_area[,2]))
dat_stan <- fusionData(geo.data = geo_data, geo.formula = outcome ~ cov.point,</pre>
                 lattice.data = lattice_data, lattice.formula = outcome ~ cov.area,
                 distributions = c("normal", "poisson"),
                method = "Stan")
```

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fusionData

Prepare data structure for spatial fusion modelling

# **Description**

Takes various datasets and formulas from different spatial data types and process them to prepare for spatial fusion modeling using either Stan or INLA.

# Usage

# Arguments

geo.data	an object of class $\mbox{data.frame}$ or sf. If $\mbox{data.frame}$ , it must have column names "x" and "y" as coordinates of observations.
geo.formula	an object of class formula. A symbolic description of the model to be fitted for geostatistical data. For multivariate geostatistical data, use syntax cbind(y1, y2) followed by $\sim$ .
lattice.data	an object of class sf. Contains lattice data.
lattice.formula	1
	an object of class formula. A symbolic description of the model to be fitted for lattice data. For multivariate lattice data, use syntax $cbind(y1, y2)$ followed by $\sim$ .
pp.data	an object of class $\mbox{data.frame}$ or sf, or a list of them. If $\mbox{data.frame}$ , it must have column names "x" and "y" as coordinates.
distributions	a vector of strings. Specifying the distributions of each geostatistical and lattice response variable, currently "Gaussian" or "normal", "Poisson" (count) and "Bernoulli" (binary) are supported. Note: no distribution is required to be specified for point pattern data.
domain	an object of class sf. The spatial domain considered for computing gridded point pattern data. If NULL, a bounding box that contains all spatial units is used.
method	character. Either 'Stan' or 'INLA', the method to be used for fitting the spatial fusion model later.

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proj4string projection string of class CRS-class.

stan.control a named list of parameters to control the Stan implementation of spatial fusion models. Default to NULL such that all the default values are used.

• n.neighbor (positive integer) Number of nearest neighbors to consider. Default to 5.

- n.sampling (positive integer) Number of sampling points for each area.
   Default to 5.
- n.grid (positive integer) Number of grid used to divide the spatial domain in each of x- and y-direction to count the number of cases/events in each grid. Default to 10.

#### **Details**

It is not possible to add covariate for point pattern data in the spatial fusion framework. However, an offset term can be supplied to pp.offset in the modelling stage with fusion. Any covariate information can be taken into account by firstly fit a fixed effect model and enter the fitted values into the offset term.

# Value

The returned value is an object of either class dstan or dinla, depending on the chosen method. They are both lists that contain:

distributions distribution specified each response variable.

n\_point sample size for geostatistical data.

n\_area sample size for lattice data.

n\_grid Set to 1 for INLA, set to the number of grids for Stan.

p\_point number of coefficients for geostatistical model component (only if there is geo-

statistical data).

n\_point\_var, n\_area\_var, n\_pp\_var

number of response variables for each data type.

Y\_point response variable for geostatistical data (only if there is geostatistical data).

X\_point covariates for geostatistical data (only if there is geostatistical data).

p\_area number of coefficients for lattice model component (only if there is lattice data).

Y\_area response variable for lattice data (only if there is lattice data).

X\_area covariates for lattice data (only if there is lattice data).

geo.formula, lattice.formula

formulas used for geostatistical and lattice data.

dstan additionally contains:

n\_neighbor number of nearest neighbors to consider for NNGP modelling.

n\_sample total number of sampling points.

nearid, nearind\_sample

vectors containing neighborhood indices

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{\tt C\_nei}, {\tt C\_site\_nei}, {\tt sC\_nei}, {\tt sC\_site\_nei}
```

various distance matrices

A1 aggregation matrix that maps sampling points to areal averages (only if there is

lattice data).

Y\_pp the number of cases/events in each grid for point pattern data (only if there is

point pattern data).

area the area of each grid (only if there is point pattern data).

grd\_lrg the grid generated for point pattern data modeling (only if there is point pattern

data).

locs all the locations where the latent components are modelled.

# dinla additionally contains:

domain spatial domain as a SpatialPolygons-class

locs\_point locations of geostatistical data.

locs\_pp locations of point pattern data.

poly lattice data as a SpatialPolygonsDataFrame-class.

## Author(s)

Craig Wang

## See Also

```
fusion.dinla, fusion.dstan
```

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# Description

Simulate spatial response variables with different data types, including geostatistical (point), lattice (areal), and point pattern data. They share common latent Gaussian processes. The geostatistical and lattice response variables are allowed to have fixed effects.

# Usage

# **Arguments**

n.point	positive integer. Sample size for geostatistical (point) data.
n.area	positive integer. Sample size for lattice (areal) data.
n.grid	positive integer. Number of grid to be divided in each direction of the spatial domain.
n.pred	positive integer. Number of prediction locations to sample regularly.
dimension	positive integer. Dimension of the square spatial domain.
domain	an object of class sf. The spatial domain considered for the simulation. If NULL, a square domain with length dimension is used.
psill	positive numeric or numeric vector. Partial sill parameter(s) of the latent Gaussian process(es).
phi	positive numeric or numeric vector. Range parameter(s) of the latent Gaussian process(es).
nugget	positive numeric vector. Nugget parameter(s) of the latent Gaussian process(es).
tau.sq	positive numeric vector. Variance component(s) for normally distributed responses.
point.beta	a list of column matrices. Regression coefficient for geostatistical data, e.g. list(rbind(1,2,3),rbind(2,4,6)) for two geostatistical response variables with an intercept plus two covariates each.
area.beta	a list of column matrices. Regression coefficient for lattice data, e.g. see above.
nvar.pp	numeric. Number of point pattern response variables to simulate.
distributions	character vector. Names of distributions for each dependent variables with geo- statistical and lattice type, currently "Gaussian" or "normal", "Poisson" (count) and "Bernoulli" (binary) are supported. Note: no distribution for point pattern data is required to be specified.

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design.mat matrix. Design matrix for the latent Gaussian process(es), with the number of columns equal to the number of latent processes.

pp.offset numeric. A single offset term for the intensity of point pattern data.

seed integer. Random seed.

## **Details**

The exponential covariance model is used,

$$C(d) = \sigma^2 \exp{-d/\phi}$$

where d is the Euclidean distance,  $\sigma^2$  is the partial sill and  $\phi$  is the spatial range.

If the purpose is to validate a fitted latent spatial components of a spatial fusion model, one can check the fitted latent values against mrf[sample.ind, -1:2]. If the purpose is to investigate prediction performance of latent spatial components, one can predict at locations pred.loc and check against mrf[pred.ind, -1:2].

#### Value

The returned value is a list that consists of:

data a named list providing data variables.

mrf a data.frame of locations and the latent Gaussian process.

domain an object of class sf describing the whole domain.

pred.loc a data.frame of locations for prediction.

pred.ind a vector of indices for prediction locations.

sample.ind a vector providing the indices of sampled locations in the Gaussian process.

(only if there is geostatistical data)

mean.w a list of aggregated latent process for each area. (only if there is lattice data)

poly an object of class sf for the lattice data. (only if there is lattice data)

lgcp.grid a data frame containing the centroids of gridded cells for point pattern data and

the corresponding event counts. (only if there is point pattern data)

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#### See Also

```
fusion, fusion.dstan
```

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plot

Generate diagnostics plot for a fusion model

# **Description**

Plot model diagnostics for fusionModel objects. By default, it shows posterior versus prior distributions of fixed effect coefficients and latent parameters. The names of fixed effect coefficients are covariate names followed by internal parameter names in parentheses. 'beta\_p' denotes the coefficients for point data and 'beta\_a' denotes the coefficients for lattice data.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'fusionModel'
plot(x, posterior = TRUE, interactive = TRUE, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

```
x object of class fusionModel. Output of fusion().

posterior logical. If TRUE, then shows posterior versus prior distributions of fixed effect coefficients and latent parameters.

interactive logical. If TRUE, then print messages in the terminal to proceed to next plots.

additional arguments not used
```

#### **Details**

When posterior = FALSE, then traceplot of posterior samples for the fixed effect coefficients and latent parameters are shown for Stan approach and the mesh overlayed with spatial data is shown for INLA approach.

## Value

No return value, called for side effects

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## **Examples**

```
## example based on simulated data
if (requireNamespace("INLA", quietly = TRUE)) {
dat <- fusionSimulate(n.point = 20, n.area = 10, n.grid = 2,</pre>
               psill = 1, phi = 1, nugget = 0, tau.sq = 0.5,
               point.beta = list(rbind(1,5)),
               area.beta = list(rbind(-1, 0.5)),
               distributions = c("normal", "poisson"),
               design.mat = matrix(c(1,1,1)))
geo_data <- data.frame(x = dat$mrf[dat$sample.ind, "x"],</pre>
                        y = dat$mrf[dat$sample.ind, "y"],
                        cov.point = dat$data$X_point[,2],
                        outcome = dat$data$Y_point[[1]])
lattice_data <- cbind(dat$poly,</pre>
                     data.frame(outcome = dat$data$Y_area[[1]],
                     cov.area = dat$data$X_area[,2]))
dat_inla <- fusionData(geo.data = geo_data, geo.formula = outcome ~ cov.point,</pre>
                   lattice.data = lattice_data, lattice.formula = outcome ~ cov.area,
              pp.data = dat$data$lgcp.coords[[1]], distributions = c("normal", "poisson"),
                   method = "INLA")
mod_inla <- fusion(data = dat_inla, n.latent = 1, bans = 0,</pre>
                   prior.range = c(1, 0.5), prior.sigma = c(1, 0.5),
                   mesh.locs = dat_inlaslocs_point, mesh.max.edge = c(0.5, 1))
plot(mod_inla, interactive = FALSE)
```

predict

Obtain predictions for the latent processes of spatial fusion model

# Description

Generate posterior values containing predictions of the latent Gaussian process(es) based on a fitted spatial fusion model and new locations.

#### **Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'fusionModel'
predict(object, new.locs, type = c("summary", "full"), ...)
```

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## Arguments

object an object of class fusionModel. Output of fusion().

new.locs of class data.frame or sf. Contains the locations where the latent process(es) will be predicted. If data.frame, it must have column names "x" and "y" as coordinates of observations.

type string, The default "summary" gives posterior median of latent process(es); "full" gives full marginals (for INLA) or posterior samples (for Stan) of latent process(es).

... additional arguments not used

#### Value

The returned value is an object of class sf containing the posterior values for the latent spatial components and the prediction location in the geometry column of type POINTS.

For INLA models, the output represents the latent components that are associated with each response variable multiplied by the design matrix Z. They are indexed with ij, where i denotes the ith latent process and j denotes the jth variable. The variables are ordered by geostatistical, lattice, point pattern data.

For Stan models, the output represents the original latent components before multiplied by the deisng matrix Z. Each spatial component is indexed with i, where i denotes the ith latent process.

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```
## example based on simulated data
if (requireNamespace("INLA", quietly = TRUE)) {
dat <- fusionSimulate(n.point = 20, n.area = 10, n.grid = 2,
          psill = 1, phi = 1, nugget = 0, tau.sq = 0.5,
          point.beta = list(rbind(1,5)),
          area.beta = list(rbind(-1, 0.5)),
          distributions = c("normal", "poisson"),
          design.mat = matrix(c(1,1,1)))
geo_data <- data.frame(x = dat$mrf[dat$sample.ind, "x"],</pre>
                y = dat$mrf[dat$sample.ind, "y"],
                cov.point = dat$data$X_point[,2],
                outcome = dat$data$Y_point[[1]])
lattice_data <- cbind(dat$poly,</pre>
                      data.frame(outcome = dat$data$Y_area[[1]],
                      cov.area = dat$data$X_area[,2]))
dat_inla <- fusionData(geo.data = geo_data, geo.formula = outcome ~ cov.point,</pre>
                lattice.data = lattice_data, lattice.formula = outcome ~ cov.area,
                pp.data = dat$data$lgcp.coords[[1]],
```

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summary

Obtain summary of parameter estimates for a spatial fusion model

## Description

Generate summary statistics for posterior parameter estimates from a spatial fusion model.

#### **Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'fusionModel'
summary(object, digits = 3, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

```
object of class fusionModel. Output of fusion().
digits integer. The number of significant digits.
... additional arguments not used.
```

## Value

The returned value is a matrix containing the parameter estimates and their summary statistics. The names of fixed effect coefficients are covariate names followed by internal parameter names in parentheses. 'beta\_p' denotes the coefficients for point data and 'beta\_a' denotes the coefficients for lattice data.

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```
distributions = c("normal", "poisson"),
       design.mat = matrix(c(1,1,1)))
geo_data <- data.frame(x = dat$mrf[dat$sample.ind, "x"],</pre>
                       y = dat$mrf[dat$sample.ind, "y"],
                        cov.point = dat$data$X_point[,2],
                        outcome = dat$data$Y_point[[1]])
lattice_data <- cbind(dat$poly,</pre>
                     data.frame(outcome = dat$data$Y_area[[1]],
                     cov.area = dat$data$X_area[,2]))
dat_inla <- fusionData(geo.data = geo_data, geo.formula = outcome ~ cov.point,</pre>
                lattice.data = lattice_data, lattice.formula = outcome ~ cov.area,
                pp.data = dat$data$lgcp.coords[[1]],
                distributions = c("normal","poisson"), method = "INLA")
mod_inla <- fusion(data = dat_inla, n.latent = 1, bans = 0,</pre>
                prior.range = c(1, 0.5), prior.sigma = c(1, 0.5),
                mesh.locs = dat_inla$locs_point, mesh.max.edge = c(0.5, 1))
summary(mod_inla)
```

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