

GPCW: Gaussian Process for Estimating Critical Windows of Susceptibility

GPCW_Example

[1] Simulate data from the proposed model:

- Setting the reproducibility seed and initializing packages for data simulation:

```
set.seed(8453)

library(GPCW)
library(mnormt) #Multivariate normal distribution
library(boot) #Inverse logit transformation
```

- Setting the global data values:

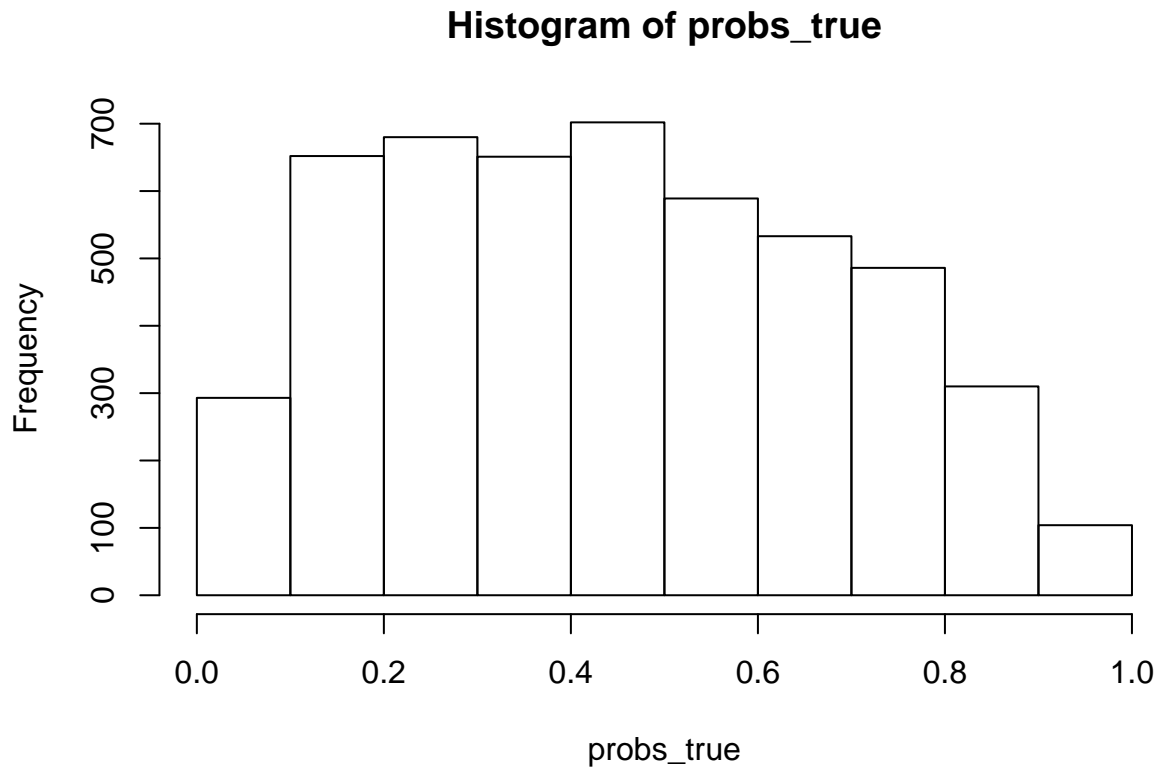
```
n<-5000 #Sample size
m<-36 #Number of exposure time periods
x<-matrix(1,
          nrow=n,
          ncol=1) #Covariate design matrix
z<-matrix(rnorm(n=(n*m)),
          nrow=n,
          ncol=m) #Exposure design matrix

for(j in 1:m){
  z[,j]<-(z[,j] - median(z[,j]))/IQR(z[,j]) #Data standardization (interquartile range)
}
```

- Setting the values for the statistical model parameters:

```
beta_true<- -0.30
sigma2_theta_true<-0.50
phi_true<-0.01
Sigma_true<-sigma2_theta_true*chol2inv(chol(temporal_corr_fun(m,
                                                             phi_true)[[1]]))

theta_true<-rmnorm(n=1,
                  mean=rep(0, times=m),
                  varcov=Sigma_true)
theta_true<-theta_true - mean(theta_true)
logit_p_true<-x%%beta_true +
              z%%theta_true
probs_true<-inv.logit(logit_p_true)
hist(probs_true)
```



- Simulating the analysis dataset

```
y<-rbinom(n=n,
          size=1,
          prob=probs_true)
```

[2] Fit GPCW to estimate critical windows of susceptibility:

```
results<-GPCW(mcmc_samples = 10000,
              y = y, x = x, z = z,
              metrop_var_phi_trans = 1.15)
```

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[3] Analyzing Output:

```
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot(results$beta[1, 1001:10000],
     type="l",
     ylab="beta",
     xlab="Sample")
abline(h=beta_true,
     col="red",
     lwd=2) #True value
plot(results$sigma2_theta[1001:10000],
     type="l",
     ylab="sigma2_theta",
     xlab="Sample")
abline(h=sigma2_theta_true,
     col="red",
     lwd=2) #True value
plot(results$phi[1001:10000],
     type="l",
     ylab="phi",
     xlab="Sample")
abline(h=phi_true,
     col="red",
     lwd=2) #True value
plot(rowMeans(results$theta[,1001:10000]),
     pch=16,
     ylab="theta",
     xlab="Time")
points(theta_true,
     pch=16,
     col="red") #True values
```

