

# **fdaPDE 1.0**

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Correct  
New Functionalities  
Stable

# Regression model

- $\mathbf{p}_1, \dots, \mathbf{p}_n$ :  $n$  data locations over  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ ,
- $z_i \in \mathbb{R}$  variable observed at  $\mathbf{p}_i$
- $\mathbf{w}_i \in \mathbb{R}^q$  covariates associated with  $z_i \in \mathbb{R}$  at  $\mathbf{p}_i$
- $\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n$  random errors

$$z_i = \mathbf{w}_i^t \boldsymbol{\beta} + f(\mathbf{p}_i) + \epsilon_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

Estimate  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  and  $f$  minimizing

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (z_i - \mathbf{w}_i^t \boldsymbol{\beta} - f(\mathbf{p}_i))^2 + \lambda \int_{\Omega} (Lf - u)^2 d\mathbf{p}$$

$K = \{K_{ij}\} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$  spd,  $\mathbf{b} = \{b_j\} \in \mathbb{R}^2$  transport,  $c \in \mathbb{R}^+$  reaction.

$$Lf = -\text{div}(K \nabla f) + \mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla f + cf.$$



# Finite Element discretization

Estimate  $\beta$  and  $f$ :

$$\hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{W})^{-1} \mathbf{W}^T (\mathbf{z} - \hat{\mathbf{f}}_n) \quad \hat{f} = \hat{\mathbf{f}}^t \psi$$

The following holds:

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\Psi^T \mathbf{Q} \Psi & \lambda \mathbf{R}_1^T \\ \lambda \mathbf{R}_1 & \lambda \mathbf{R}_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{f}} \\ \hat{\mathbf{g}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\Psi^T \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{z} \\ \mathbf{u} \end{bmatrix}.$$

where

$$\Psi = \begin{bmatrix} \psi_1(\mathbf{p}_1) & \dots & \psi_{N_T}(\mathbf{p}_1) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \psi_1(\mathbf{p}_n) & \dots & \psi_{N_T}(\mathbf{p}_n) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{R}_0 &= \int_{\Omega_T} \psi \psi^T \\ \mathbf{R}_1 &= \int_{\Omega_T} (\nabla \psi^T \mathbf{K} \nabla \psi + \nabla \psi^T \mathbf{b} \psi^t + c \psi \psi^T) \end{aligned}$$

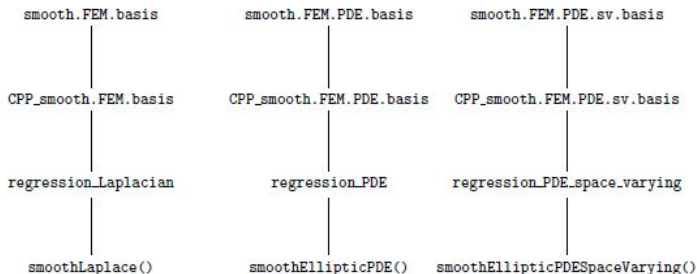
$$\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}$$

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{W})^{-1} \mathbf{W}^T$$

# History of the Code

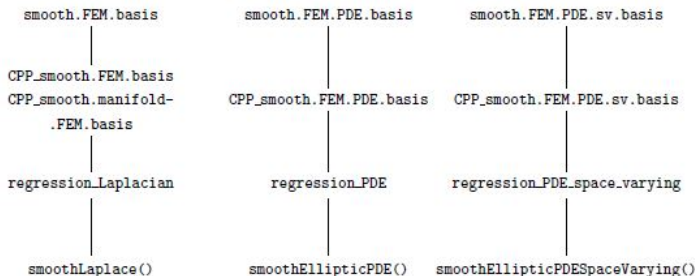
- Release Lila 2014: 2D smoothing [Code](#)
- Bambini-Giussani 2017: Woodbury, GCV
- Beraha-Cosmo 2017: 2.5D smoothing [Code](#)
- Lila Github 2017: C++ unification [Code](#)
- Negri 2018: 3D smoothing, FPCA [Code](#)
- Release Colli-Colombo 2019: Areal smoothing [Code](#)

# CRAN - 2014



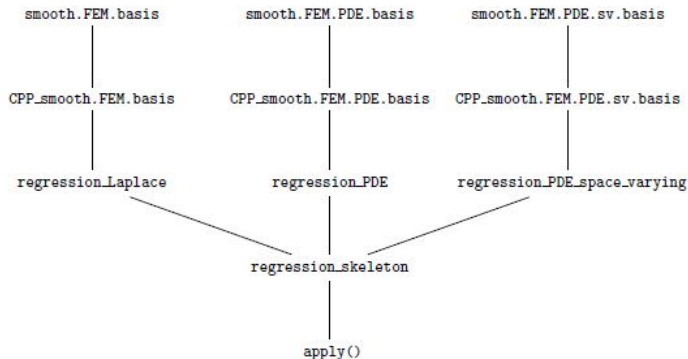
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# Cosmo-Beraha - 2017

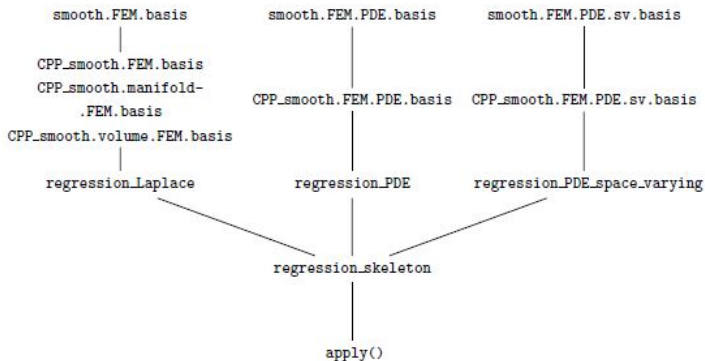


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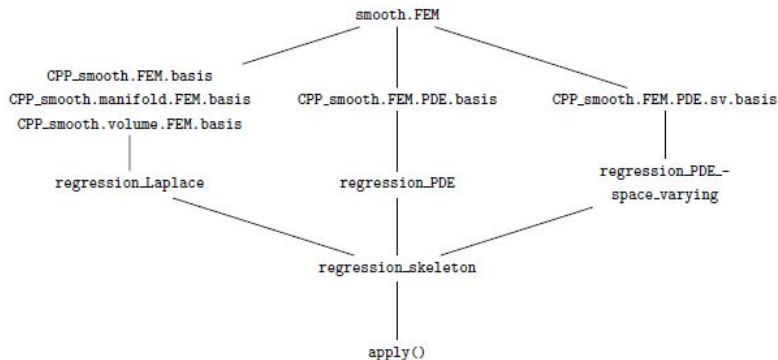
# Lila GitHub - 2017



## Negri - 2018



# Colli-Colombo - 2019



# Criticalities - Dirichlet BC

PROBLEM: CRASH Index shift overlap

```
R: BC$BC_indices<-as.vector(BC$BC_indices)-1
C++: std::for_each(bc_indices_.begin(),
bc_indices_.end(), [](int& i)i-=1;);
```

SOLUTION Do all index shifts in R.



# Criticalities - Space-varying

## PROBLEM 1 Wrong indexing of the mesh

CPP\_smooth.FEM.PDE.sv.basis  $\rightarrow$  mesh indices shifted  $\rightarrow$  Call to CPP\_get\_evaluations\_points  $\rightarrow$  mesh indices shifted  $\rightarrow$  ERROR

## SOLUTION 1 Remove double index shift.

## PROBLEM 2 Missing forcing term in the system

## SOLUTION 2 Add boolean isSpaceVarying in class MixedFERegression

Modify the function apply:

```
_b.bottomRows(nnodes)=lambda*forcingTerm;
```

## Criticalities - Barycentric coordinates 2.5D

**PROBLEM** In `getBaryCoordinates`:

```
lambda[k]=std::sqrt(detJ_point)/t.getArea();
```

Missing 0.5 factor

For-loop logic does not depend on `k`

**SOLUTION** Replicate procedure of `isPointInside` function:

```
sol = A.colPivHouseholderQr().solve(b);
```

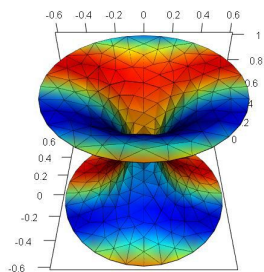
```
lambda(0)=1-sol(0)-sol(1);
```

```
lambda(1)=sol(0);
```

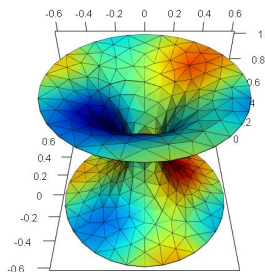
```
lambda(2)=sol(1);
```

where `A` 3x2 transformation to the reference triangle

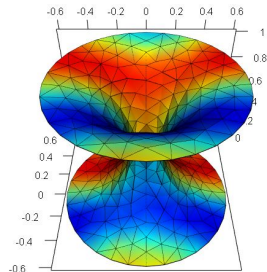
## 2.5D pointwise data test



(a) True field



(b) Pre-debug



(c) Post-debug

## smooth.FEM.basis unification

R-level users can use three functions:

- `smooth.FEM.basis`: isotropic and stationary model for planar, manifold and volumetric domains;
- `smooth.FEM.PDE.basis`: anysotropic and stationary case (2D only);
- `smooth.FEM.PDE.sv.basis`: anysotropic and nonstationary case (2D only);

We unified these functions into a single one called `smooth.FEM`.

# Parameters checking

Updated R helper function `checkSmoothingParameters` to recognize automatically the kind of PDE parameters:

```
...
space_varying=FALSE                # boolean: returned to smooth.FEM

if(!is.null(PDE_parameters$u)){
  space_varying=TRUE
  message("Smoothing: anysotropic and non-stationary case")

  if(!is.function(PDE_parameters$K))
    stop("'K' in 'PDE_parameters' is not a function")
  ...                                #other checks
}else if(!is.null(PDE_parameters)){
  message("Smoothing: anysotropic and stationary case")
}
if(is.null(PDE_parameters))
  message("Smoothing: isotropic and stationary case")
..
```

## Redundant MixedFERegressionBase members

- `Real dirichlet_penalization` - used for BC in Lila;
- `Real pruning_coeff` - used for matrix assembling in Lila;
- `std::vector<coeff> tripletsData_` - Morally a vector to build the system matrix;
- `SpMat Amat` - Old SW block in CRAN-Giussani code;
- `SpMat Dmat` - Old NW block in CRAN-Giussani code;
- `SpMat Mmat` - Old SE block in CRAN-Giussani code;
- `SpMat coeffmatrix_` - The system matrix.

This class was never polished! These members were erased.

## Extension to areal data

- $D_1, \dots, D_n$ :  $n$  disjoint subsets of  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ ,
- $\bar{z}_i \in \mathbb{R}$  mean values of  $z \in L^2(\Omega)$  over  $D_1, \dots, D_n$
- $\bar{\mathbf{w}}_i \in \mathbb{R}^q$  mean value of covariates over  $D_i$

$$\bar{z}_i = \bar{\mathbf{w}}_i^T \beta + \frac{1}{|D_i|} \int_{D_i} f + \bar{\epsilon}_i$$

Estimate  $\beta$  and  $f$  by minimizing

$$\bar{J}_{\lambda, L, u}(\beta, f) = \sum_{i=1}^n |D_i| \left( \bar{z}_i - \bar{\mathbf{w}}_i^T \beta - \frac{1}{|D_i|} \int_{D_i} f \right)^2 + \lambda \int_{\Omega} (Lf - u)^2$$

# Numerical solution

The following holds:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \bar{\Psi}^T \mathbf{A} \bar{\mathbf{Q}} \bar{\Psi} & \lambda \mathbf{R}_1^T \\ \mathbf{R}_1^T & -\mathbf{R}_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{f}}_{\mathcal{T}}^* \\ \hat{\mathbf{g}}_{\mathcal{T}}^* \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\Psi}^T \mathbf{A} \bar{\mathbf{Q}} \bar{\mathbf{z}} \\ \mathbf{u} \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

where

$$\bar{\Psi} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{|D_1|} \int_{D_1} \psi_1 & \cdots & \frac{1}{|D_1|} \int_{D_1} \psi_{N_{\mathcal{T}}} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{1}{|D_n|} \int_{D_n} \psi_1 & \cdots & \frac{1}{|D_n|} \int_{D_n} \psi_{N_{\mathcal{T}}} \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} |D_1| & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & |D_n| \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{z}} = (\bar{z}_1, \dots, \bar{z}_n)^T$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{Q}} = \mathbf{I} - \bar{\mathbf{H}}, \quad \bar{\mathbf{H}} = \bar{\mathbf{W}}(\bar{\mathbf{W}}^T \bar{\mathbf{W}})^{-1} \bar{\mathbf{W}}^T$$

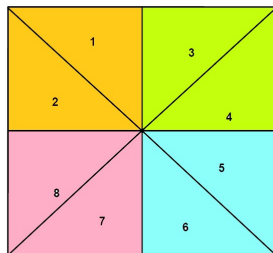


# The incidence matrix

$\mathcal{I}$  is a  $n \times |\mathcal{T}|$  matrix such that  $\mathcal{I}_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if element } j \text{ is in region } i \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

**Example:**

$$\mathcal{I} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Implementation

- User can provide the `incidence_matrix` to `smooth.FEM`:  

```
smooth.FEM(locations=NULL, observations, FEMbasis,
            lambda, covariates = NULL, PDE_parameters,
            incidence_matrix, BC, GCV =TRUE,
            GCVmethod = "Stochastic")
```
- `matrixXi incidenceMatrix_` has been added in the `regressionData` object;
- matrix **A** has been added to the `MixedFERegressionBase`;
- Function `setPsi` is able to build  $\bar{\Psi}$ ;

# System solving - Woodbury identity

**AIM:** invert the system matrix efficiently

## Proposition

*Woodbury matrix identity:*

$$\mathbf{M}^{-1} = (\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{UCV})^{-1} = \mathbf{E}^{-1} - \mathbf{E}^{-1}\mathbf{U}(\mathbf{C}^{-1} + \mathbf{VE}^{-1}\mathbf{U})^{-1}\mathbf{VE}^{-1}$$

where  $\mathbf{E} \in \mathbb{R}^{l \times l}$ ,  $\mathbf{U} \in \mathbb{R}^{l \times m}$ ,  $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ ,  $\mathbf{V} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times l}$ .

- $\mathbf{M}$  full system matrix;
- $\mathbf{E}$  sparse symmetric;
- $\mathbf{C}$  full but very small.
- Need to write  $\mathbf{M}$  as  $\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{UCV}$

## Matrix decomposition - pointwise

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\Psi}^T \mathbf{Q} \boldsymbol{\Psi} & \lambda \mathbf{R}_1^T \\ \lambda \mathbf{R}_1^T & -\lambda \mathbf{R}_0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\Psi}^T \bar{\boldsymbol{\Psi}} & \lambda \mathbf{R}_1^T \\ \lambda \mathbf{R}_1^T & -\lambda \mathbf{R}_0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\Psi}^T (-\mathbf{H}) \boldsymbol{\Psi} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{B}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\Psi}^T (-\mathbf{H}) \boldsymbol{\Psi} = (\boldsymbol{\Psi}^T \mathbf{W})(\mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{W})^{-1}(\mathbf{W}^T \boldsymbol{\Psi}) = \bar{\mathbf{U}} \bar{\mathbf{C}} \bar{\mathbf{V}}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \mathbf{U} &= \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\Psi}^T \mathbf{W} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{U}} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{2K \times q} \\ \mathbf{C} &= -(\mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{W})^{-1} = \bar{\mathbf{C}} \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times q} \\ \mathbf{V} &= [\mathbf{W}^T \boldsymbol{\Psi} \quad \mathbf{0}] = [\bar{\mathbf{V}} \quad \mathbf{0}] = \mathbf{U}^T \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times 2K} \end{aligned} \right\} \longrightarrow \boxed{\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{UCV}}$$

# Matrix decomposition - areal

$$\bar{\mathbf{M}} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\Psi}^T \mathbf{A} \bar{\mathbf{Q}} \bar{\Psi} & \lambda \mathbf{R}_1^T \\ \lambda \mathbf{R}_1^T & -\lambda \mathbf{R}_0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\Psi}^T \mathbf{A} \bar{\Psi} & \lambda \mathbf{R}_1^T \\ \lambda \mathbf{R}_1^T & -\lambda \mathbf{R}_0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\Psi}^T \mathbf{A} (-\bar{\mathbf{H}}) \bar{\Psi} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \bar{\mathbf{E}} + \bar{\mathbf{B}}$$

$$\bar{\Psi}^T \mathbf{A} (-\bar{\mathbf{H}}) \bar{\Psi} = (\bar{\Psi}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{W})(\mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{W})^{-1}(\mathbf{W}^T \bar{\Psi}) = \bar{\mathbf{U}} \bar{\mathbf{C}} \bar{\mathbf{V}}$$

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# Old MixedFERegressionBase

- System solved using Woodbury:

$$\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{UCV}$$

- Matrices stored:  $\mathbf{A}_-$  (the  $\mathbf{E}$ ),  $\mathbf{U}_-$  and  $\text{coeffmatrix}_-$  (complete system matrix) ;
- $\mathbf{A}_-$  coincides with the system matrix when there are no covariates;
- $\text{coeffmatrix}_-$  always built, but only used to compute stochastic GCV;
- **Inefficient!**

# New MixedFERegressionBase

$$\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{UCV}$$

```
coeffmatrix_ = matrixNoCov_ + matrixOnlyCov_
```

- Matrices stored: matrixNoCov\_ (old A\_), U\_ and V\_;
- No more coeffmatrix\_;
- matrixNoCov\_ and U\_ adapted for areal data;
- Stochastic GCV uses Woodbury decomposition.

# Areal system building

The functions `buildMatrixNoCov` and `getRightHandSide` use the areal matrix if needed:

*buildMatrixNoCov:*

```
...
SpMat DMat; //NW block of the matrix

if(regressionData_.getNumberOfRegions()==0) // pointwise data
    DMat=Psi.transpose()*Psi;
else
    // areal data: need to add the
    // diag(|D_1|,...,|D_N|)
    DMat=Psi.transpose()*A_.asDiagonal()*Psi;
...
```



## Areal Woodbury implementation

`system_factorize` adds  $\mathbf{A}$  to the appropriate formulae when areal data is given:

*system\_factorize:*

```
...
U_ = MatrixXr::Zero(2*nnodes, W.cols());
V_ = MatrixXr::Zero(W.cols(), 2*nnodes);
V_.leftCols(nnodes) = W.transpose()*psi_;

if(regressionData_.getNumberOfRegions()==0){ // pointwise data
    U_.topRows(nnodes) = psi_.transpose()*W;
}
else{
    //areal data
    U_.topRows(nnodes) = psi_.transpose()*A_.asDiagonal()*W;
}
...
```

# Computing areas and integrals

- MeshHandler class is extended with the method

```
Real elementMeasure(Id id)
```

to compute the measure of elements of the mesh;

- evaluator object is extended with the method

```
void integrate(UInt** incidenceMatrix, UInt nRegions,
               UInt nElements, const Real *coef, Real* result)
```

to evaluate the  $\frac{1}{|D_i|} \int_{D_i} f$

# Performance comparison

- 2D unit square, divided in  $n=20$  disjoint regions.
- Model

$$\bar{\mathbf{z}}_i = \bar{\mathbf{w}}_i^T \beta + \frac{1}{|D_i|} \int_{D_i} f + \bar{\epsilon}_i$$

$$f(x, y) = a_1 \sin(2\pi x) \cos(2\pi y) + a_2 \sin(3\pi x)$$

$$a_1, a_2 \sim \mathbb{U}_{\{-1.5, 1.5\}}.$$

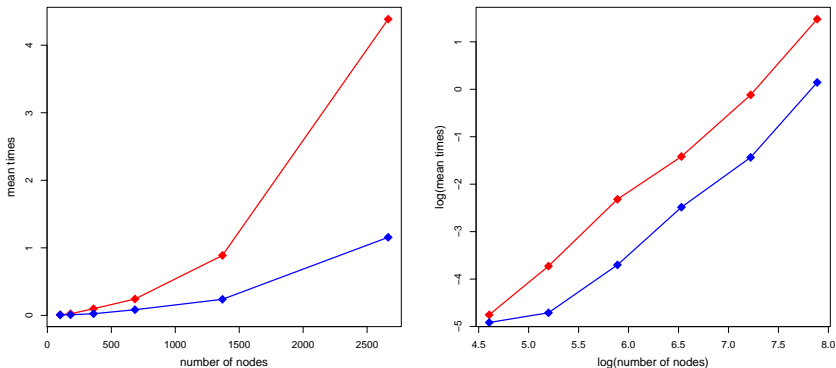
$$\bar{w}_i = \cos(3\pi y_i)$$

$$\beta = 1.2$$

- $\bar{\epsilon}_1, \dots, \bar{\epsilon}_n$  random errors with variance  $\text{Var}(\bar{\epsilon}_i) \propto \frac{1}{|D_i|}$ .

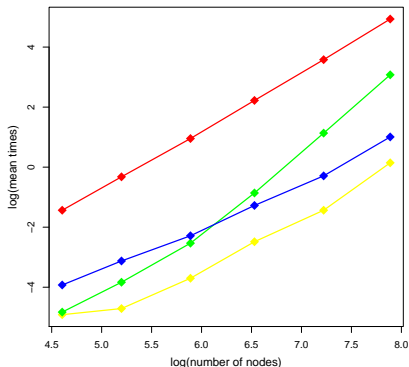
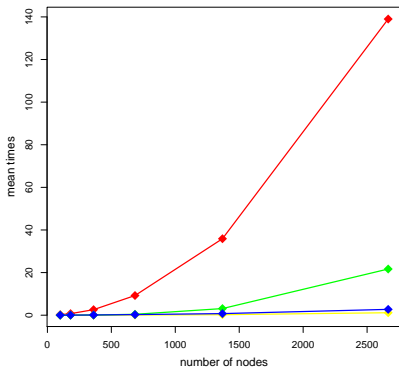
- 1 Standard resolution, using the full system matrix ■
- 2 Woodbury decomposition ■

Performance comparison – System solving



- 1 No GCV ■
- 2 Exact GCV, computed via sequence of linear systems ■
- 3 Stochastic GCV naive ■
- 4 Stochastic GCV Woodbury ■

Performance comparison – GCV



# Testing areal data

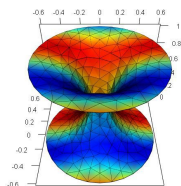
- Model for data generation:

$$\bar{z}_i = \bar{\mathbf{w}}_i^T \beta + \frac{1}{|D_i|} \int_{D_i} f + \bar{\epsilon}_i$$

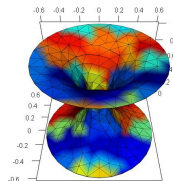
- N=50 repetitions of the simulation
- Evaluation of the estimate:

$$RMSE = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{(f_i + \mathbf{w} \beta_i - \hat{f}_i - \mathbf{w} \hat{\beta}_i)^2}{\#nodes}$$

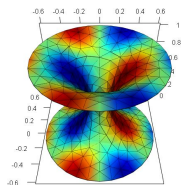
## 2.5D Hub (Areal)



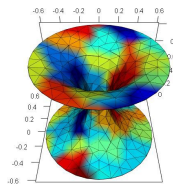
(a) True field



(b) True field - areal

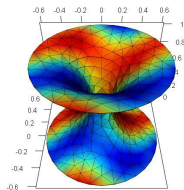


(c) True covariate

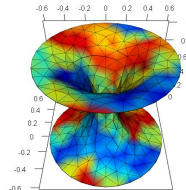


(d) True covariate - areal

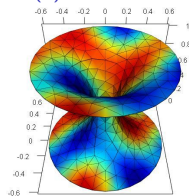
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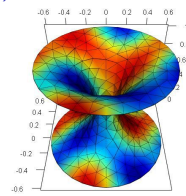
(a) Total field



(b) Areal data with noise



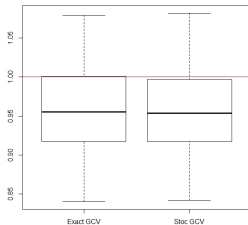
(c) Exact GCV



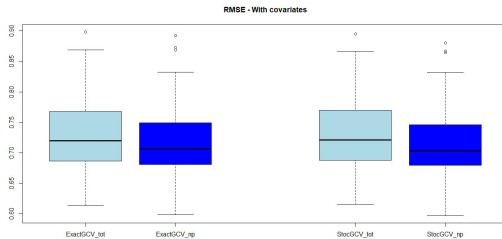
(d) Stochastic GCV



# Estimates quality



(a) Betas



(b) RMSE

## Steps for release

Requisites to release on CRAN: R CMD check giving no ERRORS nor WARNINGS.

Main changes:

- Removing MUMPS for size and portability;
- Revision of package manual;
- Correction of all warnings.

Checks performed on Windows and Linux.

## Release code






Github:

<https://github.com/AlessandraColli/fdaPDE>

CRAN release:

<https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/fdaPDE/index.html>

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