

# Package ‘stcos’

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## Description

Spatio-temporal change of support (STCOS) methods are designed for statistical inference on geographic and/or time domains that differ from those on which the data were observed. 'stcos' implements a parsimonious class of Bayesian hierarchical spatio-temporal models for STCOS with Gaussian outcomes introduced by Bradley, Wikle, and Holan <doi:10.1002/sta4.94>.

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acs_sf	<i>Shapes and ACS estimates for Boone County, MO.</i>
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### Description

An sf object with ACS estimates for:

- Boone County, Missouri
- Table B19013
- Block group level geography
- Years 2013 - 2017

### Usage

acs5\_2013

acs5\_2014

acs5\_2015

acs5\_2016

acs5\_2017

### Format

sf objects.

### Details

Shapefiles were gathered via the `tigris` package, and ACS estimates were downloaded from the American FactFinder <http://factfinder.census.gov>. Data was assembled on 2/28/2019. See `data-prep-aff.R` in the Columbia example code for details.

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columbia_neighbs	<i>City of Columbia neighborhoods.</i>
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**Description**

An sf object containing the geometry of four neighborhoods in the City of Columbia, Boone County, Missouri. Based on shapefiles provided by the Office of Information Technology / GIS, City of Columbia, Missouri.

**Usage**

```
columbia_neighbs
```

**Format**

An sf object with 4 features (neighborhoods).

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DIC	<i>Deviance Information Criterion</i>
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**Description**

A function to compute the Deviance Information Criterion (DIC) on an stcos object.

**Usage**

```
DIC(object)
```

**Arguments**

object            A result from the Gibbs sampler.

**Value**

DIC computed from saved draws

**See Also**

[gibbs.stcos](#) [gibbs.stcos.raw](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
out1 <- gibbs.stcos(sp, R = 10000, burn = 0, thin = 1)  
DIC(out1)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

gibbs

*Gibbs Sampler for STCOS Model***Description**

Run the Gibbs sampling algorithm for the STCOS model. `gibbs.stcos` presents a simplified interface, while `gibbs.stcos.raw` allows all inputs to be specified separately.

**Usage**

```
gibbs.stcos(prepare, R, report.period = R + 1, burn = 0, thin = 1,
            hyper = NULL, init = NULL)
```

```
gibbs.stcos.raw(z, v, H, S, K.inv, R, report.period = R + 1, burn = 0,
                thin = 1, init = NULL, fixed = NULL, hyper = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

<code>prepare</code>	An STCOSprepare object.
<code>R</code>	Number of MCMC reps.
<code>report.period</code>	Gibbs sampler will report progress each time this many iterations are completed.
<code>burn</code>	Burn this many of R the draws, before saving history.
<code>thin</code>	After burn-in period, save one out of every thin draws.
<code>hyper</code>	A list containing the following hyperparameter values: <code>a.sig2mu</code> , <code>a.sig2K</code> , <code>a.sig2xi</code> , <code>b.sig2mu</code> , <code>b.sig2K</code> , <code>b.sig2xi</code> . Any hyperparameters which are not specified are set to a default value of 2.
<code>init</code>	A list containing the following initial values for the MCMC: <code>sig2mu</code> , <code>sig2xi</code> , <code>sig2K</code> , <code>mu_B</code> , <code>eta</code> , <code>xi</code> . Any values which are not specified are set to arbitrary choices.
<code>z</code>	Vector which represents the outcome; assumed to be direct estimates from the survey.
<code>v</code>	Vector which represents direct variance estimates from the survey.
<code>H</code>	Matrix of overlaps between source and fine-level supports.
<code>S</code>	Design matrix for basis decomposition.
<code>K.inv</code>	Inverse of the $K$ matrix, which is the covariance of the random coefficient $\eta$
<code>fixed</code>	A list specifying which parameters to keep fixed in the MCMC. This can normally be left blank. If elements <code>sig2mu</code> , <code>sig2xi</code> , or <code>sig2K</code> are specified they should be boolean, where TRUE means fixed (i.e. not drawn). If elements <code>mu_B</code> , <code>eta</code> , or <code>xi</code> are specified, they should each be a vector of indices; the specified indices are to be treated as fixed (i.e. not drawn).

**Value**

An `stcos` object which contains draws from the sampler.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
basis <- SpaceTimeBisquareBasis$new(x, y, t, w.s, w.t)
sp <- STCOSPRep$new(fine_domain = dom.fine,
  fine_domain_geo_name = "GEO_ID",
  basis = basis, basis_mc_reps = 500)
out1 <- gibbs.stcos(sp, R = 10000, burn = 0, thin = 1)

out2 <- gibbs.stcos.raw(z = sp$get_z(), S = sp$get_reduced_S(),
  v = sp$get_v(), K.inv = sp$get_Kinv(), H = sp$get_H(),
  R = 10000, burn = 0, thin = 1)

## End(Not run)
```

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licols

*licols*


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**Description**

An R version of a Matlab licols function given in <https://www.mathworks.com/matlabcentral/answers/108835-how-to-get-only-linearly-independent-rows-in-a-matrix-or-to-remove-linear-dependence>  
 Extract a linearly independent set of columns of a given matrix X.

**Usage**

```
licols(X, tol = 1e-10, quiet = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

X	A matrix.
tol	A tolerance for rank estimation. Default is 1e-10.
quiet	A boolean; if FALSE, print a warning about computation time if X is large.

**Value**

Xsub contains the extracted columns of X and idx contains the indices (into X) of those columns.  
 The elapsed time is stored in elapsed.sec.

**Examples**

```
x <- sample(1:3, size = 20, replace = TRUE)
Z <- model.matrix(~ as.factor(x) - 1)
X <- cbind(1, Z)
licols(X)
```

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mle.stcos

*MLE for STCOS Model*


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### Description

MLE for STCOS Model

### Usage

```
mle.stcos(z, v, H, S, K.inv, init = NULL, optim.control = list())
```

### Arguments

z	Vector which represents the outcome; assumed to be direct estimates from the survey.
v	Vector which represents direct variance estimates from the survey.
H	Matrix of overlaps between source and fine-level supports.
S	Design matrix for basis decomposition.
K.inv	Inverse of the $K$ matrix, which is the covariance of the random coefficient $\eta$
init	A list containing the following initial values for the MCMC: sig2xi. If not specified, we select an arbitrary initial value.
optim.control	This is passed as the control argument to optim. Note that the value fnscale is ignored if specified.

### Value

A list containing maximum likelihood estimates.

### Examples

```
## Not run:
z <- sp$get_z()
v <- sp$get_v()
H <- sp$get_H()
S.reduced <- sp$get_reduced_S()
K.inv <- sp$get_Kinv(2005:2015)

mle.out <- mle.stcos(z, v, S.reduced, H, K.inv)

sig2K.hat <- mle.out$sig2K.hat
sig2xi.hat <- mle.out$sig2xi.hat
mu.hat -> mle.out$mu.hat

## End(Not run)
```

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`SpaceTimeBisquareBasis`*SpaceTime Bisquare Basis*

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## Description

An [R6Class](#) representing the space-time bisquare basis.

## Usage

```
basis <- SpaceTimeBisquareBasis$new(knots.x, knots.y, knots.t,  
  w.s, w.t)  
basis$compute(x, y, time)  
basis$get_dim()  
basis$get_cutpoints()  
basis$get_rl()  
basis$get_ws()  
basis$get_wt()
```

## Arguments

- `knots.x` x-coordinate of knot points.
- `knots.y` y-coordinate of knot points.
- `knots.t` time coordinate of knot points.
- `w.s` (Original, before transformation) spatial radius.
- `w.t` Temporal radius.
- `x` Vector of x-coordinates for points on which to evaluate the basis.
- `y` Vector of y-coordinates for points on which to evaluate the basis.
- `time` Vector of time coordinates for points on which to evaluate the basis.

## Methods

- `new` Create a new `SpaceTimeBisquareBasis` object.
- `get_dim` Get the number of cutpoints used to construct this basis.
- `get_cutpoints` Get the cutpoints used to construct this basis.
- `get_rl` Get the transformed spatial radius. The transformation is based on quantiles of distances between knots.
- `get_ws` Get the original spatial radius used to construct this basis. This is transformed before it is applied to account for the geography being used.
- `get_wt` Get the temporal radius used to construct this basis.
- `compute` Evaluate this basis on specific points.

**Examples**

```

set.seed(1234)
seq.x <- seq(0, 1, length.out = 3)
seq.y <- seq(0, 1, length.out = 3)
seq.t <- seq(0, 1, length.out = 3)
knots = expand.grid(seq.x, seq.y, seq.t)
x <- runif(50)
y <- runif(50)
t <- sample(1:3, size = 50, replace = TRUE)

basis <- SpaceTimeBisquareBasis$new(knots[,1], knots[,2], knots[,3], w.s = 0.5, w.t = 1)
basis$compute(x, y, t)
basis$get_dim()
basis$get_cutpoints()
basis$get_rl()
basis$get_ws()
basis$get_wt()

# Plot the (spatial) knots and the points at which we evaluated the basis
plot(knots[,1], knots[,2], pch = 4, cex = 1.5, col = "red")
text(x, y, labels = t, cex = 0.75)

# Draw a circle representing the basis' radius around one of the knot points
tseq <- seq(0, 2*pi, length=100)
rad <- basis$get_rl()
coords <- cbind(rad * cos(tseq) + seq.x[2], rad * sin(tseq) + seq.y[2])
lines(coords, col = "red")

```

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SpatialBisquareBasis    *Spacial Bisquare Basis*

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**Description**

An [R6Class](#) representing the spacial bisquare basis.

**Usage**

```

basis <- SpaceTimeBisquareBasis$new(knots.x, knots.y, w)
basis$compute(x, y, time)
basis$get_dim()
basis$get_cutpoints()
basis$get_rl()
basis$get_w()

```

**Arguments**

- `knots.x` x-coordinate of knot points.
- `knots.y` y-coordinate of knot points.



- `w` (Original, before transformation) radius.
- `x` Vector of x-coordinates for points on which to evaluate the basis.
- `y` Vector of y-coordinates for points on which to evaluate the basis.

### Methods

- `new` Create a new `SpatialBisquareBasis` object.
- `get_dim` Get the number of cutpoints used to construct this basis.
- `get_cutpoints` Get the cutpoints used to construct this basis.
- `get_rl` Get the transformed spatial radius. The transformation is based on quantiles of distances between knots.
- `get_w` Get the original radius used to construct this basis. This is transformed before it is applied to account for the geography being used.
- `compute` Evaluate this basis on specific points.

### Examples

```
set.seed(1234)
seq.x <- seq(0, 1, length.out = 3)
seq.y <- seq(0, 1, length.out = 3)
knots = merge(seq.x, seq.y)
x <- runif(50)
y <- runif(50)

basis <- SpatialBisquareBasis$new(knots[,1], knots[,2], w = 0.5)
basis$compute(x, y)
basis$get_dim()
basis$get_cutpoints()
basis$get_rl()
basis$get_w()

# Plot the knots and the points at which we evaluated the basis
plot(knots[,1], knots[,2], pch = 4, cex = 1.5, col = "red")
points(x, y, cex = 0.5)

# Draw a circle representing the basis' radius around one of the knot points
tseq <- seq(0, 2*pi, length=100)
rad <- basis$get_rl()
coords <- cbind(rad * cos(tseq) + seq.x[2], rad * sin(tseq) + seq.y[2])
lines(coords, col = "red")
```

### Description

An R Package for Space-Time Change of Support (STCOS) modeling.

## References

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STCOSPrep

*STCOS Preparation*

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## Description

An [R6Class](#) for preparing an STCOS analysis.

## Usage

```
sp <- STCOSPrep$new(fine_domain, fine_domain_geo_name, basis, basis_mc_reps = 500,
  report_period = 100)
```

```
sp$add_obs(domain, period, estimate_name, variance_name, geo_name)
```

```
S <- sp$get_S()
```

```
sp$set_basis_reduction(f)
```

```
sp$get_reduced_S()
```

```
sp$get_Kinv(times, X = NULL, autoreg = TRUE)
```

```
sp$get_obs(idx)
```

```
sp$get_basis()
```

```
sp$get_geo()
```

## Arguments

- `fine_domain` An `sf` object; the fine-level support for the analysis.
- `fine_domain_geo_name` The name of the field in `fine_domain` which represents a unique geographical ID.
- `basis` An object of type `SpaceTimeBisquareBasis`.
- `basis_mc_reps` Number of Monte Carlo reps to use when computing area-level basis function decomposition.

- `report_period` Gibbs sampler will report progress each time this many iterations are completed.
- `domain` An `sf` object; a source support for the analysis.
- `period` A vector of times from which the estimates were computed. For example, to indicate 2015 ACS 5-year estimates, use `period = 2011:2015`.
- `estimate_name` Name of the field which contains direct estimates.
- `variance_name` Name of the field which contains direct variance estimates.
- `geo_name` Name of the field which represents unique geographical ID.
- `idx` A vector of indices.
- `f` A function which performs a dimension reduction.
- `times` A vector of times relevant to the analysis.
- `X` A fixed covariate, if one is available.
- `autoreg` A boolean; if `TRUE`, assume an autoregressive covariance structure in time. Otherwise assume independence between times.

## Methods

- `$new` Create a new STCOSPprep object, which does not yet contain any source supports.
- `$add_obs` Add a source support.
- `$get_obs` Get a source support(s) which have already been added.
- `$domain2model` Compute H and S matrix fragments for a given source support.
- `$get_z` Get vector of direct estimates from added source supports.
- `$get_v` Get vector of direct variance estimates from added source supports.
- `$get_H` Get matrix of overlaps between fine-level support and added source supports.
- `$get_S` Get design matrix based on basis function decomposition, based on added source supports.
- `$get_reduced_S` Same as `get_S`, except first apply the dimension reduction function (which is the identity function by default).
- `$get_geo` Get vector of GEO IDs from added source supports.
- `$set_basis_reduction` Set the dimension reduction function to be applied to S and related matrices.
- `$get_basis` Get the basis function which has been used to construct this object.
- `$get_Kinv` Compute the  $K$ .inv matrix.

## Examples

```
## Not run:
sp <- STCOSPprep$new(dom.fine, "GEO_ID", basis, 500)

# Add source support data
sp$add_obs(acs1.2015, 2015, "DirectEst", "DirectVar", "GEO_ID")
...
sp$add_obs(acs5.2015, 2011:2015, "DirectEst", "DirectVar", "GEO_ID")
```

```
# Reduce dimension of the design matrix with basis expansion
S <- sp$get_S()
eig <- eigen(t(S) %*% S)
idx.S <- which(cumsum(eig$values) / sum(eig$values) < 0.75)
Tx.S <- t(eig$vectors[idx.S,])
f <- function(S) { S %*% Tx.S }
sp$set_basis_reduction(f)

# Get quantities needed for MCMC
S.reduced <- sp$get_reduced_S()
z <- sp$get_z()
v <- sp$get_v()
H <- sp$get_H()

# compute K.inv matrix using Random-Walk method
K.inv <- sp$get_Kinv(2011:2015)

# Retrieve some of the source supports
sp$get_obs(idx = c(2,4,7))

# Return the basis function object from which sp was constructed
sp$get_basis()

# Return the GEO IDs which have been processed so far
sp$get_geo()

## End(Not run)
```

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