

Using the package “simple features” (`sf`) for sensitivity analysis

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sf is a great package to work with maps



Is it possible to use sf to solve
“statistical” problems not related
with maps?

Statistical Motivation

Assume that $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_p) \in \mathbb{R}^p$ produces the output $Y \in \mathbb{R}$ linked by the model

$$Y = \psi(X_1, \dots, X_p).$$

The function ψ :

- Could be known or unknown,
- Generally is a complex function.

Some questions:

- Is it possible to rank the input variables by its importance?
- Can we measure this importance?

The answer is: Yes!

There are plenty of classical statistical tools to solve this

What we did new?

We exploited the geometric structure of the data to set
the importance of the inputs

How?

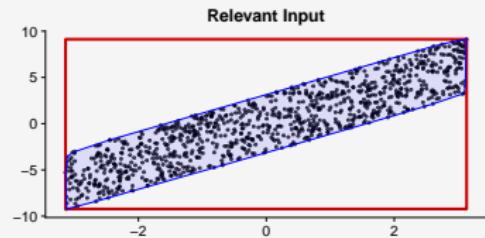
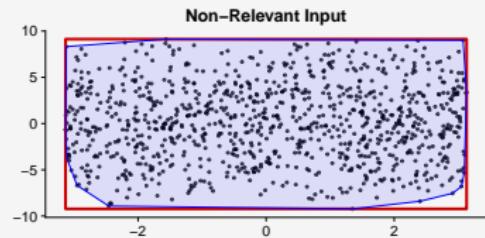
The geometric correlation

If X_i and Y are geometrically uncorrelated then:

$$\text{Box Area} \approx \text{Object Area}.$$

Otherwise,

$$\text{Box Area} \not\approx \text{Object Area}.$$



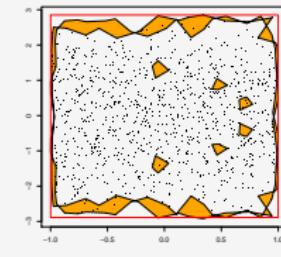
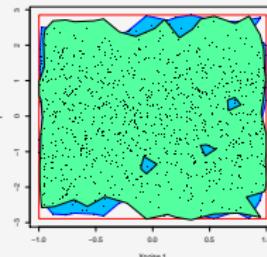
$$\rho_i^{\text{Geom}} = 1 - \frac{\text{Object Area for variable } i}{\text{Box Area for variable } i}.$$

The geometric sensitivity index

If X_i is geometrical irrelevant to Y

$$\text{Object Area} \approx \text{Sym. Reflection}$$

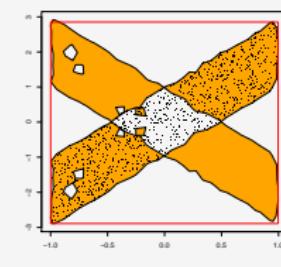
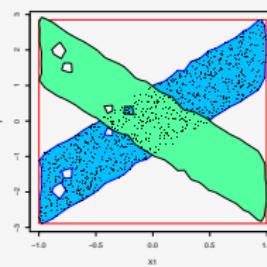
$$\text{Sym. Difference} \approx 0$$



Otherwise,

$$\text{Object Area} \neq \text{Sym. Reflection}$$

$$\text{Sym. Difference} \approx 2 \times \text{Object Area}$$



$$S_i^{\text{Geom}} = \frac{\text{Symmetric Difference Area for variable } i}{2 \times \text{Object Area for variable } i}$$

Implementation

(The cool stuff!)

The package sf

We use this package to handle two key operations for (Multi)-Polygons:

- Affine transformations.
- Area estimation.

One example

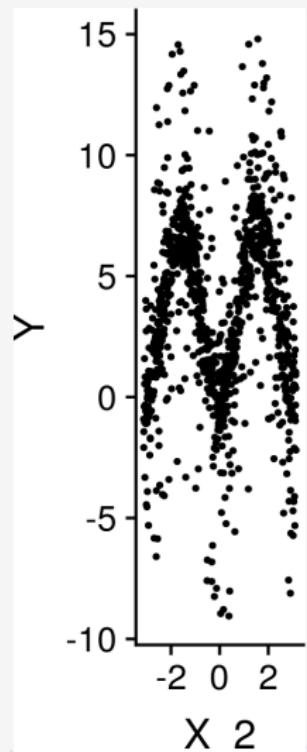
Assume the model

$$Y = \sin X_1 + 7 \sin^2 X_2 + 0.1 X_3^4 \sin X_1$$

where $X_i \sim \text{Uniform}(-\pi, \pi)$ for
 $i = 1, 2, 3$.

Example

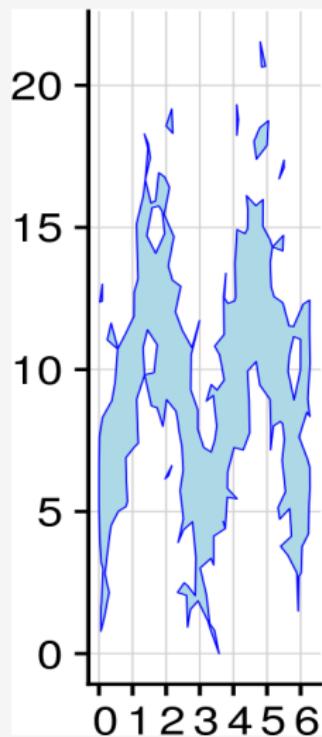
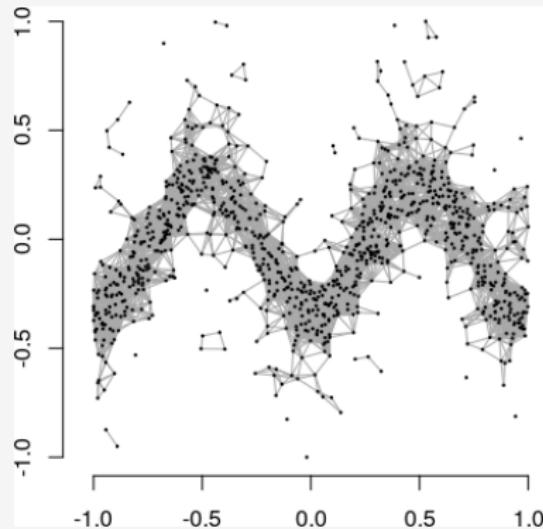
The points (X_2, Y) look like this:



Estimating the Object (Embedding manifold)

Estimating the embedding manifold

Based on the work of Zomorodian we build a Vietoris-Rips Complex of the data.



A. Zomorodian. 2010. Fast construction of the Vietoris-Rips complex.
Computers & Graphics 34 (3): 263–271

If l is the list of triangles in the Vietoris-Rips complex

```
VR <- sf::st_multipolygon(l)
VR_union <- sf::st_union(VR)
```

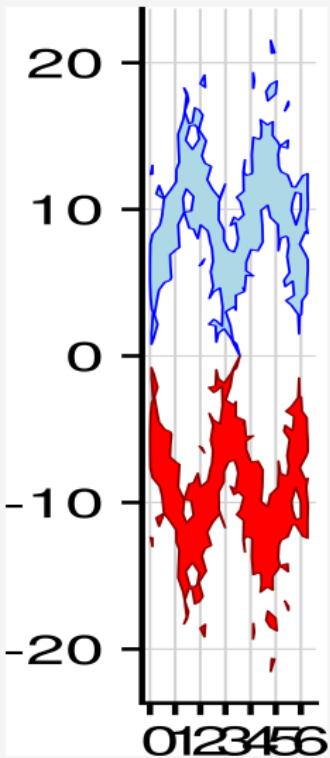
We center the estimated manifold into the origin,

```
VR_origin_coords <- sf::st_coordinates(VR_union)

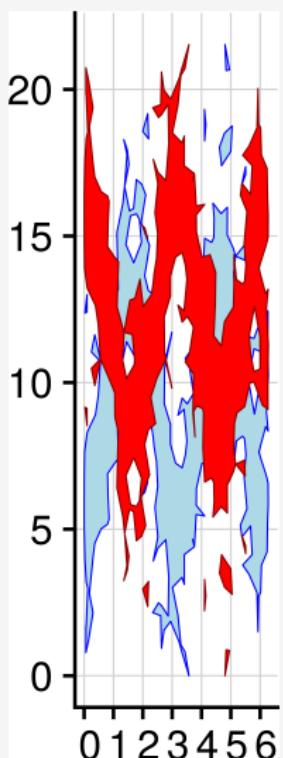
VR_union <- VR_union -
  c(min(VR_origin_coords[, "X"]),
    min(VR_origin_coords[, "Y"]))
```

Estimating the Symmetric Reflection

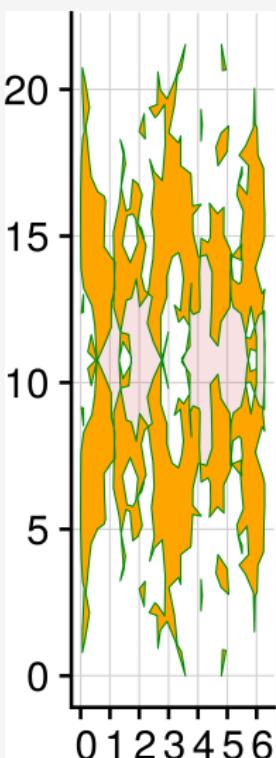
Reflection



Shifting



Symmetric difference



Reflection

Multiplying the manifold by $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

```
reflection <- matrix(c(1, 0, 0, -1), 2, 2)
VR_reflection <- (VR_union * reflection)
```

Shifting

```
VR_coordinates <- sf::st_coordinates(VR_union)
VR_reflection <- VR_reflection +
  c(0, 2 * mean(VR_coordinates[, "Y"]))
```

Sym. difference

```
VR_symmetric_difference <- sf::st_sym_difference(VR_union,
                                                 VR_reflection)
```

Example

All the code is available in the package topsa
(Topological Sensitivity Analysis)

www.github.com/maikol-solis/topsa

Some numerical examples

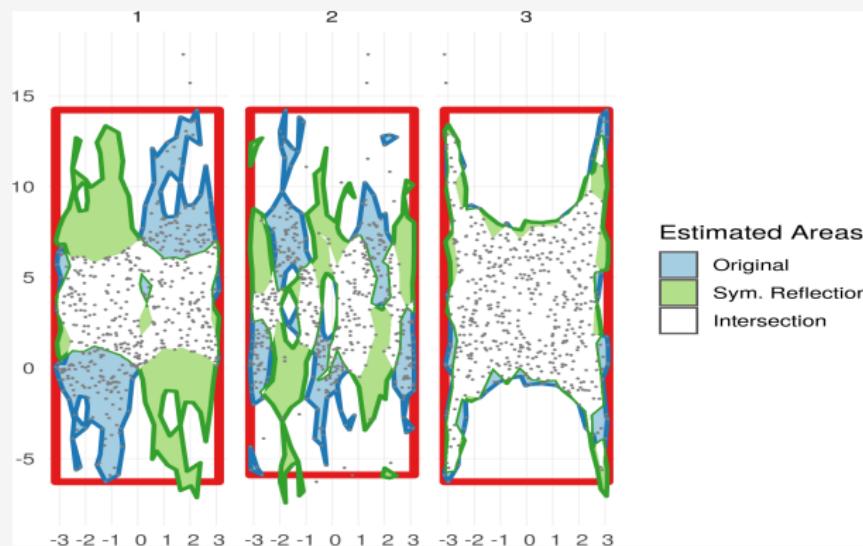
The Ishigami model

$$Y = \sin X_1 + 7 \sin^2 X_2 + 0.1 X_3^4 \sin X_1$$

where $X_i \sim \text{Uniform}(-\pi, \pi)$ for $i = 1, 2, 3$.

```
ishigami <- topsa::topsa(Ydat = Y,
                           Xdat = X,
                           method = "VR")
topsa::plot(ishigami)
topsa::print(ishigami)
```

The Ishigami model



	Max. Radius	Manifold	Box	Correlation	Sensitivity
X_1	0.09	55.72	128.01	56%	46%
X_2	0.08	39.81	126.28	68%	57%
X_3	0.09	61.25	128.47	52%	11%

True sensitivity (Sobol indices):

$$X_1 = 31\%$$

$$X_2 = 44\%$$

$$X_3 = 0\%$$

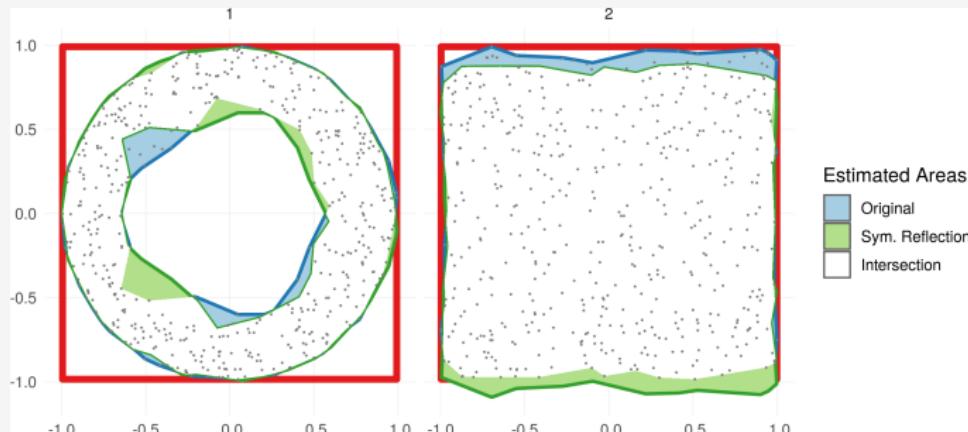
The Donut model

$$\begin{cases} X_1 = r \cos(\theta) \\ Y = r \sin(\theta) \end{cases}$$

with $r \sim \text{Unif}(0.5, 1)$ and $\theta \sim \text{Unif}(0, 2\pi)$ random. The variable X_2 is pure noise.

```
donut <- topsa::topsa(Ydat = Y,
                        Xdat = X,
                        method = "VR")
topsa::plot(donut)
topsa::print(donut)
```

The Donut model



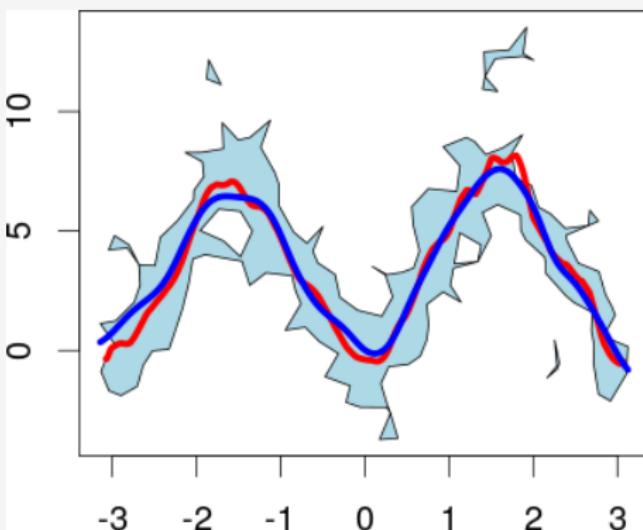
	Max. Radius	Manifold	Box	Correlation	Sensitivity
X_1	0.16	1.91	3.92	51%	8%
X_2	0.20	3.73	3.94	5%	5%

True sensitivity (Sobol indices):

$$X_1 = 0\% \quad X_2 = 0\%$$

What is next?

Fit a topological regression curve



■ Non-parametric kernel regression

■ Topological curve regression

Optimize the construction of the complex

(persistence homology)

Send it to CRAN
(after iron out some vicious bugs...)

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Preprints

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