

A toolbox for fitting non-separable space-time log-Gaussian Cox models using R-INLA

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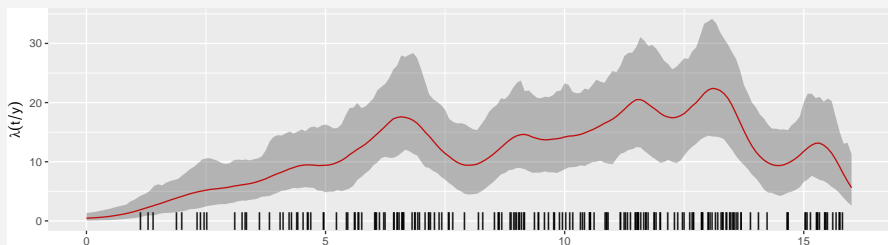
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Fitted intensity function and 95% credibility interval



Observed vs expected number of cases

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sum(dat1$year<5) # Number of observed cases (year < 5)
## [1] 27
head(pred.res, 5)
##      year mean   sd q0.025 median q0.975  smin smax   cv  var
## 1 0.000 0.45 0.39  0.035  0.37    1.3 0.018  1.8 0.86 0.15
## 2 0.083 0.49 0.40  0.043  0.40    1.4 0.021  1.8 0.83 0.16
## 3 0.167 0.53 0.42  0.059  0.45    1.5 0.025  1.8 0.80 0.18
## 4 0.250 0.57 0.44  0.078  0.49    1.6 0.031  1.9 0.76 0.19
## 5 0.333 0.63 0.46  0.092  0.52    1.8 0.043  2.0 0.73 0.21
sum(pred.res$mean[pred.res$year<5]/12) # Expected (year < 5)
## [1] 24
c(nrow(dat1), sum(pred.res$mean)/12) # Total Obs. and Exp.
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- Treat the data as it is, no aggregation

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Direct likelihood approximation, Simpson et al. (2016)

$$l(\lambda(\cdot)|\mathbf{y}) \approx L - \sum_{j=1}^m w_j \log \lambda(t_j) + \sum_{i=1}^n \log(\lambda(t_i))$$

- m integration points t_1, \dots, t_m , weights w_1, \dots, w_m
 - if the grid is equally spaced, $w_j = w_0$

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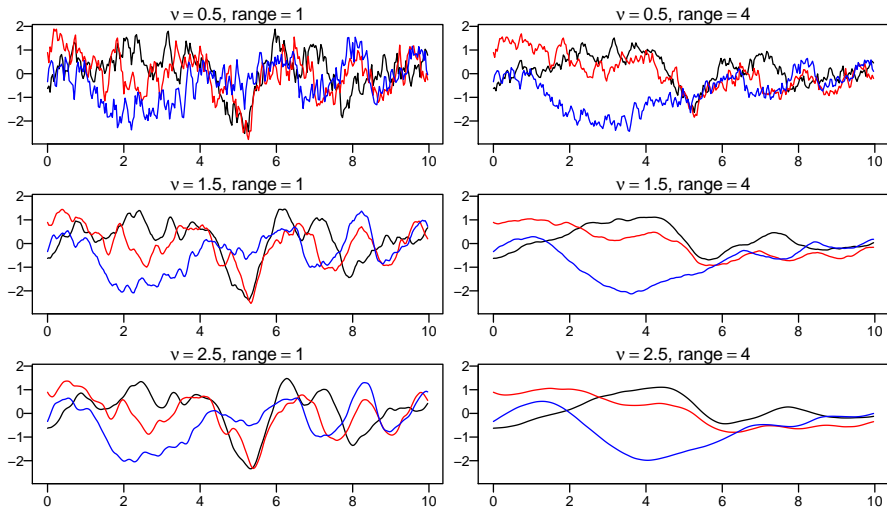
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Figure 1: A latent Gaussian model !!!

Matern 1D field samples (smoothness ν and range)

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The idea into practice, using inlabru

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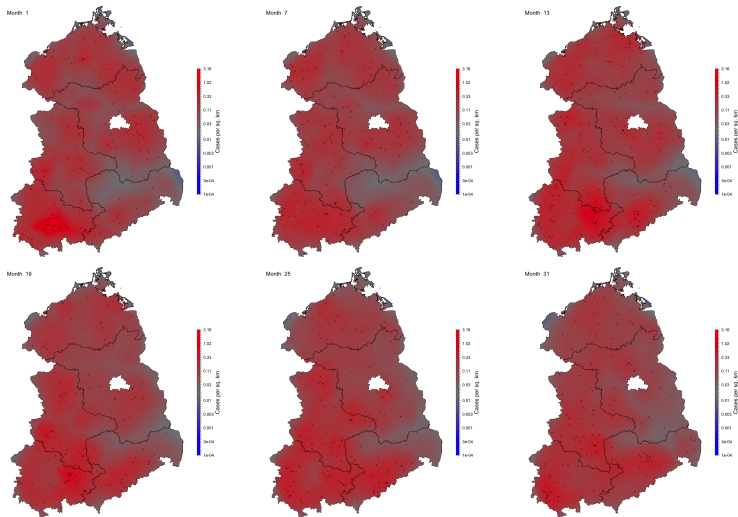
# data
dat1 <- data.frame(year = burkitt$t/365.25)
# domain (0, 16) and integration points
mesh.t <- inla.mesh.1d(seq(-3, 20, 1/12))
# assumed GMRF model (Matern) definition
model <- year ~ 0 + Intercept +
  spde1D(map = year,
        model = inla.spde2.pcmatern(
          mesh = mesh.t,
          prior.sigma = c(1, 0.5), #  $P(\text{sigma} > 1) = 0.5$ 
          prior.range = c(0.1, 0.01))) #  $P(\text{range} < 0.1) = 0.01$ 
# fit the model
fit.model1 <- lgcp(model, dat1)

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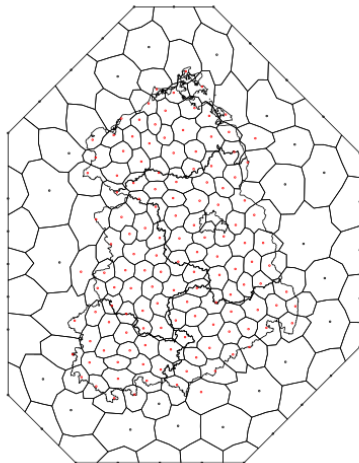
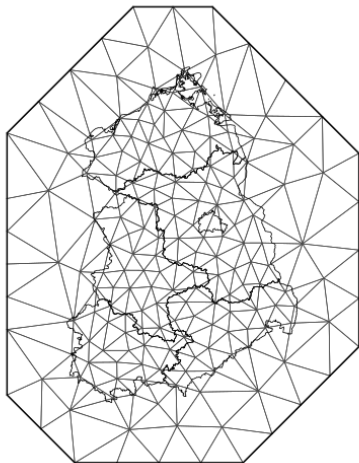
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Adding spatial integration points

Constrained refined Delaunay triangulation



Space-time non-separable process

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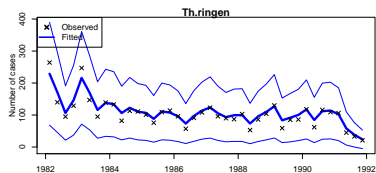
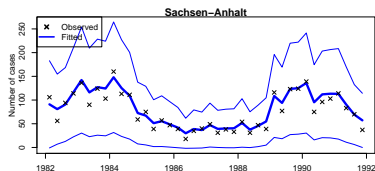
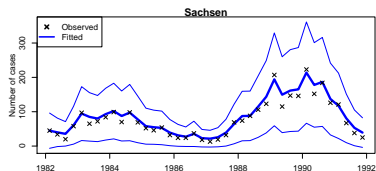
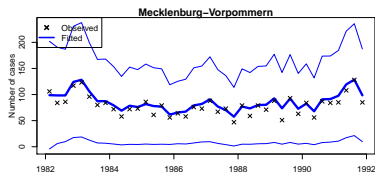
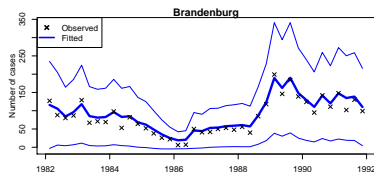
Advantage of using SPDEs

- sparse precision matrix representation!

Code

- consider the INLA package, Rue et al. (2017)
 - define the precision matrix using the `rgeneric` model
- consider the efficient PARDISO library, Kourounis, Fuchs, and Schenk (2018)

Preliminary result: Observed and expected cases, big areas per time



Work in progress

- wrap it into a function for the user
 - dozens lines of code write now
- parameter interpretation → define new ones such as
 - spatial range, temporal range, marginal variance

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