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cvek*Conducting Cross-validated Kernel Ensemble*

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**Description**

Conducting Cross-validated Kernel Ensemble based on user-specified formula.

**Usage**

```
cvek(
  formula,
  kern_func_list,
  data,
  formula_test = NULL,
  mode = "loocv",
  strategy = "stack",
  beta_exp = 1,
  lambda = exp(seq(-10, 5)),
  test = "boot",
```

```

    alt_kernel_type = "linear",
    B = 100,
    verbose = FALSE
)

```

## Arguments

formula	(formula) A user-supplied formula for the null model. Should contain at least one kernel term.
kern_func_list	(list) A list of kernel functions in the kernel library.
data	(data.frame, n*d) A data.frame, list or environment (or object coercible by as.data.frame to a data.frame), containing the variables in formula. Neither a matrix nor an array will be accepted.
formula_test	(formula) A user-supplied formula indicating the alternative effect to test. All terms in the alternative mode must be specified as kernel terms.
mode	(character) A character string indicating which tuning parameter criteria is to be used.
strategy	(character) A character string indicating which ensemble strategy is to be used.
beta_exp	(numeric/character) A numeric value specifying the parameter when strategy = "exp" <a href="#">ensemble_exp</a> .
lambda	(numeric) A numeric string specifying the range of tuning parameter to be chosen. The lower limit of lambda must be above 0.
test	(character) Type of hypothesis test to conduct. Must be either 'asymp' or 'boot'.
alt_kernel_type	(character) Type of alternative kernel effect to consider. Must be either "linear" or "ensemble".
B	(numeric) Number of bootstrap samples.
verbose	(logical) Whether to print additional messages.

## Details

Perform Cross-validated Kernel Ensemble and optionally test for kernel effect based on user-specified formula.

## Value

lambda	(numeric) The selected tuning parameter based on the estimated ensemble kernel matrix.
beta	(matrix, d_fixed*1) Fixed effect estimates.
alpha	(matrix, n*1) Kernel effect estimates.
K	(matrix, n*n) Estimated ensemble kernel matrix.
u_hat	(vector of length K) A vector of weights of the kernels in the library.
base_est	(list) The detailed estimation results of K kernels.
pvalue	(numeric) If formula_test is given, p-value of the test is returned.

## Author(s)

Jeremiah Zhe Liu

## References

- Xihong Lin. Variance component testing in generalised linear models with random effects. June 1997.
- Arnab Maity and Xihong Lin. Powerful tests for detecting a gene effect in the presence of possible gene-gene interactions using garrote kernel machines. December 2011.
- Petra Bu z kova, Thomas Lumley, and Kenneth Rice. Permutation and parametric bootstrap tests for gene-gene and gene-environment interactions. January 2011.

## See Also

[estimation](#)  
 method: [generate\\_kernel](#)  
 mode: [tuning](#)  
 strategy: [ensemble](#)

## Examples

```

kern_par <- data.frame(method = rep("rbf", 3),
l = rep(3, 3), p = rep(2, 3),
stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
# define kernel library
kern_func_list <- define_library(kern_par)

n <- 10
d <- 4
formula <- y ~ x1 + x2 + k(x3, x4)
formula_test <- y ~ k(x1, x2) * k(x3, x4)
set.seed(1118)
data <- as.data.frame(matrix(
  rnorm(n * d),
  ncol = d,
  dimnames = list(NULL, paste0("x", 1:d)))
)
beta_true <- c(1, .41, 2.37)
lnr_kern_func <- generate_kernel(method = "rbf", l = 3)
kern_effect_lnr <-
  parse_kernel_variable("k(x3, x4)", lnr_kern_func, data)
alpha_lnr_true <- rnorm(n)

data$y <- as.matrix(cbind(1, data[, c("x1", "x2")]))) %*% beta_true +
  kern_effect_lnr %*% alpha_lnr_true

data_train <- data
  
```

```
pvalue <- cvek(formula,
                 kern_func_list,
                 data_train,
                 formula_test,
                 mode = "loocv",
                 strategy = "stack",
                 beta_exp = 1,
                 lambda = exp(seq(-2, 2)),
                 test = "asymp",
                 alt_kernel_type = "linear",
                 verbose = FALSE)$pvalue
```

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define\_library      *Defining Kernel Library*

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## Description

Generate the expected kernel library based on user-specified dataframe.

## Usage

```
define_library(kern_par = NULL)
```

## Arguments

kern\_par      (dataframe, K\*3) A dataframe indicating the parameters of base kernels to fit kernel effect. See Details.

## Details

It creates a kernel library according to the parameters given in kern\_par.

\* kern\_par: for a library of K kernels, the dimension of this dataframe is K\*3. Each row represents a kernel. The first column is method, with entries of character class. The second and the third are l and p respectively, both with entries of numeric class.

## Value

kern\_func\_list (list of length K) A list of kernel functions given by user. Will be overwritten to linear kernel if kern\_par is NULL.

## Author(s)

Wenying Deng

## See Also

method: [generate\\_kernel](#)

ensemble

*Estimating Ensemble Kernel Matrices*

## Description

Give the ensemble projection matrix and weights of the kernels in the library.

## Usage

```
ensemble(strategy, beta_exp, error_mat, A_hat)
```

## Arguments

strategy	(character) A character string indicating which ensemble strategy is to be used.
beta_exp	(numeric/character) A numeric value specifying the parameter when strategy = "exp" <a href="#">ensemble_exp</a> .
error_mat	(matrix, n*K) A n*K matrix indicating errors.
A_hat	(list of length K) A list of projection matrices to kernel space for each kernel in the kernel library.

## Details

There are three ensemble strategies available here:

### Empirical Risk Minimization (Stacking)

After obtaining the estimated errors  $\{\hat{\epsilon}_d\}_{d=1}^D$ , we estimate the ensemble weights  $u = \{u_d\}_{d=1}^D$  such that it minimizes the overall error

$$\hat{u} = \underset{u \in \Delta}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left\| \sum_{d=1}^D u_d \hat{\epsilon}_d \right\|^2 \quad \text{where } \Delta = \{u | u \geq 0, \|u\|_1 = 1\}$$

Then produce the final ensemble prediction:

$$\hat{h} = \sum_{d=1}^D \hat{u}_d h_d = \sum_{d=1}^D \hat{u}_d A_{d,\hat{\lambda}_d} y = \hat{A}y$$

where  $\hat{A} = \sum_{d=1}^D \hat{u}_d A_{d,\hat{\lambda}_d}$  is the ensemble matrix.

### Simple Averaging

Motivated by existing literature in omnibus kernel, we propose another way to obtain the ensemble matrix by simply choosing unsupervised weights  $u_d = 1/D$  for  $d = 1, 2, \dots, D$ .

### Exponential Weighting

Additionally, another scholar gives a new strategy to calculate weights based on the estimated errors  $\{\hat{\epsilon}_d\}_{d=1}^D$ .

$$u_d(\beta) = \frac{\exp(-\|\hat{\epsilon}_d\|_2^2 / \beta)}{\sum_{d=1}^D \exp(-\|\hat{\epsilon}_d\|_2^2 / \beta)}$$

**Value**

A_est	(matrix, n*n) The ensemble projection matrix.
u_hat	(vector of length K) A vector of weights of the kernels in the library.

**Author(s)**

Wenying Deng

**References**

- Jeremiah Zhe Liu and Brent Coull. Robust Hypothesis Test for Nonlinear Effect with Gaussian Processes. October 2017.
- Xiang Zhan, Anna Plantinga, Ni Zhao, and Michael C. Wu. A fast small-sample kernel independence test for microbiome community-level association analysis. December 2017.
- Arnak S. Dalalyan and Alexandre B. Tsybakov. Aggregation by Exponential Weighting and Sharp Oracle Inequalities. In Learning Theory, Lecture Notes in Computer Science, pages 97– 111. Springer, Berlin, Heidelberg, June 2007.

**See Also**

mode: [tuning](#)

ensemble\_avg

*Estimating Ensemble Kernel Matrices Using AVG*

**Description**

Give the ensemble projection matrix and weights of the kernels in the library using simple averaging.

**Usage**

```
ensemble_avg(beta_exp, error_mat, A_hat)
```

**Arguments**

beta_exp	(numeric/character) A numeric value specifying the parameter when strategy = "exp" <a href="#">ensemble_exp</a> .
error_mat	(matrix, n*K) A n*K matrix indicating errors.
A_hat	(list of length K) A list of projection matrices to kernel space for each kernel in the kernel library.

**Details****Simple Averaging**

Motivated by existing literature in omnibus kernel, we propose another way to obtain the ensemble matrix by simply choosing unsupervised weights  $u_d = 1/D$  for  $d = 1, 2, \dots, D$ .

**Value**

- `A_est` (matrix, n\*n) The ensemble projection matrix.  
`u_hat` (vector of length K) A vector of weights of the kernels in the library.

**Author(s)**

Wenying Deng

**References**

- Jeremiah Zhe Liu and Brent Coull. Robust Hypothesis Test for Nonlinear Effect with Gaussian Processes. October 2017.
- Xiang Zhan, Anna Plantinga, Ni Zhao, and Michael C. Wu. A fast small-sample kernel independence test for microbiome community-level association analysis. December 2017.
- Arnak S. Dalalyan and Alexandre B. Tsybakov. Aggregation by Exponential Weighting and Sharp Oracle Inequalities. In Learning Theory, Lecture Notes in Computer Science, pages 97– 111. Springer, Berlin, Heidelberg, June 2007.

**See Also**

mode: [tuning](#)

`ensemble_exp`

*Estimating Ensemble Kernel Matrices Using EXP*

**Description**

Give the ensemble projection matrix and weights of the kernels in the library using exponential weighting.

**Usage**

```
ensemble_exp(beta_exp, error_mat, A_hat)
```

**Arguments**

- `beta_exp` (numeric/character) A numeric value specifying the parameter when strategy = "exp". See Details.
- `error_mat` (matrix, n\*K) A n\\*K matrix indicating errors.
- `A_hat` (list of length K) A list of projection matrices to kernel space for each kernel in the kernel library.

## Details

### Exponential Weighting

Additionally, another scholar gives a new strategy to calculate weights based on the estimated errors  $\{\hat{\epsilon}_d\}_{d=1}^D$ .

$$u_d(\beta) = \frac{\exp(-\|\hat{\epsilon}_d\|_2^2/\beta)}{\sum_{d=1}^D \exp(-\|\hat{\epsilon}_d\|_2^2/\beta)}$$

### beta\_exp

The value of beta\_exp can be "min"= $\min\{RSS\}_{d=1}^D/10$ , "med"= $\text{median}\{RSS\}_{d=1}^D$ , "max"= $\max\{RSS\}_{d=1}^D * 2$  and any other positive numeric number, where  $\{RSS\}_{d=1}^D$  are the set of residual sum of squares of  $D$  base kernels.

## Value

- |       |   |
|-------|---|
| A_est | (matrix, n*n) The ensemble projection matrix.                           |
| u_hat | (vector of length K) A vector of weights of the kernels in the library. |

## Author(s)

Wenying Deng

## References

- Jeremiah Zhe Liu and Brent Coull. Robust Hypothesis Test for Nonlinear Effect with Gaussian Processes. October 2017.
- Xiang Zhan, Anna Plantinga, Ni Zhao, and Michael C. Wu. A fast small-sample kernel independence test for microbiome community-level association analysis. December 2017.
- Arnak S. Dalalyan and Alexandre B. Tsybakov. Aggregation by Exponential Weighting and Sharp Oracle Inequalities. In Learning Theory, Lecture Notes in Computer Science, pages 97– 111. Springer, Berlin, Heidelberg, June 2007.

## See Also

mode: [tuning](#)

ensemble\_stack

*Estimating Ensemble Kernel Matrices Using Stack*

## Description

Give the ensemble projection matrix and weights of the kernels in the library using stacking.

## Usage

```
ensemble_stack(beta_exp, error_mat, A_hat)
```

## Arguments

beta_exp	(numeric/character) A numeric value specifying the parameter when strategy = "exp" <code>ensemble_exp</code> .
error_mat	(matrix, n*K) A n*K matrix indicating errors.
A_hat	(list of length K) A list of projection matrices to kernel space for each kernel in the kernel library.

## Details

### Empirical Risk Minimization (Stacking)

After obtaining the estimated errors  $\{\hat{\epsilon}_d\}_{d=1}^D$ , we estimate the ensemble weights  $u = \{u_d\}_{d=1}^D$  such that it minimizes the overall error

$$\hat{u} = \operatorname{argmin}_{u \in \Delta} \left\| \sum_{d=1}^D u_d \hat{\epsilon}_d \right\|^2 \quad \text{where } \Delta = \{u | u \geq 0, \|u\|_1 = 1\}$$

Then produce the final ensemble prediction:

$$\hat{h} = \sum_{d=1}^D \hat{u}_d h_d = \sum_{d=1}^D \hat{u}_d A_{d,\hat{\lambda}_d} y = \hat{A}y$$

where  $\hat{A} = \sum_{d=1}^D \hat{u}_d A_{d,\hat{\lambda}_d}$  is the ensemble matrix.

## Value

A_est	(matrix, n*n) The ensemble projection matrix.
u_hat	(vector of length K) A vector of weights of the kernels in the library.

## Author(s)

Wenying Deng

## References

- Jeremiah Zhe Liu and Brent Coull. Robust Hypothesis Test for Nonlinear Effect with Gaussian Processes. October 2017.
- Xiang Zhan, Anna Plantinga, Ni Zhao, and Michael C. Wu. A fast small-sample kernel independence test for microbiome community-level association analysis. December 2017.
- Arnak S. Dalalyan and Alexandre B. Tsybakov. Aggregation by Exponential Weighting and Sharp Oracle Inequalities. In Learning Theory, Lecture Notes in Computer Science, pages 97– 111. Springer, Berlin, Heidelberg, June 2007.

## See Also

mode: `tuning`

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estimate_ridge	<i>Estimating a Single Model</i>
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## Description

Estimating projection matrices and parameter estimates for a single model.

## Usage

```
estimate_ridge(
  Y,
  X,
  K,
  lambda,
  compute_kernel_terms = TRUE,
  converge_thres = 1e-04
)
```

## Arguments

Y	(matrix, n*1) The vector of response variable.
X	(matrix, n*d_fix) The fixed effect matrix.
K	(list of matrices) A nested list of kernel term matrices, corresponding to each kernel term specified in the formula for a base kernel function in kern_func_list.
lambda	(numeric) A numeric string specifying the range of tuning parameter to be chosen. The lower limit of lambda must be above 0.
compute_kernel_terms	(logic) Whether to computing effect for each individual terms. If FALSE then only compute the overall effect.
converge_thres	(numeric) The convergence threshold for computing kernel terms.

## Details

For a single model, we can calculate the output of gaussian process regression, the solution is given by

$$\hat{\beta} = [X^T(K + \lambda I)^{-1}X]^{-1}X^T(K + \lambda I)^{-1}y$$

$$\hat{\alpha} = (K + \lambda I)^{-1}(y - \hat{\beta}X)$$

.

## Value

beta	(matrix, d_fixed*1) Fixed effect estimates.
alpha	(matrix, n*k_terms) Kernel effect estimates for each kernel term.
kern_term_mat	(matrix, n*k_terms) Kernel effect for each kernel term.
A_list	(list of length k_terms) Projection matrices for each kernel term.
proj_matrix	(list of length 4) Estimated projection matrices, combined across kernel terms.

**Author(s)**

Wenying Deng

**References**

Andreas Buja, Trevor Hastie, and Robert Tibshirani. (1989) Linear Smoothers and Additive Models. Ann. Statist. Volume 17, Number 2, 453-510.

estimation

*Conducting Gaussian Process Regression*

**Description**

Conduct Gaussian process regression based on the estimated ensemble kernel matrix.

**Usage**

```
estimation(
  Y,
  X,
  K_list = NULL,
  mode = "loocv",
  strategy = "stack",
  beta_exp = 1,
  lambda = exp(seq(-10, 5)),
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

Y	(matrix, n*1) The vector of response variable.
X	(matrix, n*d_fix) The fixed effect matrix.
K_list	(list of matrices) A nested list of kernel term matrices. The first level corresponds to each base kernel function in kern_func_list, the second level corresponds to each kernel term specified in the formula.
mode	(character) A character string indicating which tuning parameter criteria is to be used.
strategy	(character) A character string indicating which ensemble strategy is to be used.
beta_exp	(numeric/character) A numeric value specifying the parameter when strategy = "exp" <b>ensemble_exp</b> .
lambda	(numeric) A numeric string specifying the range of tuning parameter to be chosen. The lower limit of lambda must be above 0.
...	Additional parameters to pass to estimate_ridge.

## Details

After obtaining the ensemble kernel matrix, we can calculate the output of Gaussian process regression.

## Value

lambda	(numeric) The selected tuning parameter based on the estimated ensemble kernel matrix.
beta	(matrix, d_fixed*1) Fixed effect estimates.
alpha	(matrix, n*1) Kernel effect estimates.
K	(matrix, n*n) Estimated ensemble kernel matrix.
u_hat	(vector of length K) A vector of weights of the kernels in the library.
kern_term_effect	(matrix, n*n) Estimated ensemble kernel effect matrix.
base_est	(list) The detailed estimation results of K kernels.

## Author(s)

Wenying Deng

## See Also

strategy: [ensemble](#)

generate\_kernel      *Generating A Single Kernel*

## Description

Generate kernels for the kernel library.

## Usage

```
generate_kernel(method = "rbf", l = 1, p = 2, sigma = 1)
```

## Arguments

method	(character) A character string indicating which kernel is to be computed.
l	(numeric) A numeric number indicating the hyperparameter (flexibility) of a specific kernel.
p	(integer) For polynomial, p is the power; for matern, v = p + 1 / 2; for rational, alpha = p.
sigma	(numeric) The covariance coefficient for neural network kernel.

## Details

There are seven kinds of kernel available here. For convenience, we define  $r = |x - x'|$ .

## Gaussian RBF Kernels

$$k_{SE}(r) = \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{2l^2}\right)$$

## Matern Kernels

$$k_{Matern}(r) = \frac{2^{1-\nu}}{\Gamma(\nu)} \left( \frac{\sqrt{2\nu r}}{l} \right)^\nu K_\nu \left( \frac{\sqrt{2\nu r}}{l} \right)$$

## Rational Quadratic Kernels

$$k_{RQ}(r) = \left(1 + \frac{r^2}{2\alpha l^2}\right)^{-\alpha}$$

## Polynomial Kernels

$$k(x, x') = (x \cdot x')^p$$

We have intercept kernel when  $p = 0$ , and linear kernel when  $p = 1$ .

# Neural Network Kernels

$$k_{NN}(x, x') = \frac{2}{\pi} \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{2\sigma \tilde{x}^T \tilde{x}'}{\sqrt{(1 + 2\sigma \tilde{x}^T \tilde{x})(1 + 2\sigma \tilde{x}'^T \tilde{x}')}} \right)$$

where  $\tilde{x}$  is the vector  $x$  prepending with 1.

## Value

**kern** (function) A function indicating the generated kernel.

## Author(s)

Wenying Deng

## References

The MIT Press. Gaussian Processes for Machine Learning, 2006.

## Examples

## Description

Generate matrix-wise functions for two matrices using intercept kernel.

## Usage

```
kernel_intercept(l, p, sigma)
```

## Arguments

- |       |   |
|-------|---|
| l     | (numeric) A numeric number indicating the hyperparameter (flexibility) of a specific kernel.  |
| p     | (integer) For polynomial, p is the power; for matern, v = p + 1 / 2; for rational, alpha = p. |
| sigma | (numeric) The covariance coefficient for neural network kernel.                               |

## Details

### Polynomial Kernels

$$k(x, x') = (x \cdot x')^p$$

We have intercept kernel when  $p = 0$ , and linear kernel when  $p = 1$ .

## Value

- |             |  |
|-------------|--|
| matrix_wise | (function) A function calculating the relevance of two matrices. |
|-------------|--|

## Author(s)

Wenying Deng

## References

The MIT Press. Gaussian Processes for Machine Learning, 2006.

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**kernel\_linear***Generating A Single Matrix-wise Function Using Linear*

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**Description**

Generate matrix-wise functions for two matrices using linear kernel.

**Usage**

```
kernel_linear(l, p, sigma)
```

**Arguments**

- l                   (numeric) A numeric number indicating the hyperparameter (flexibility) of a specific kernel.
- p                   (integer) For polynomial, p is the power; for matern, v = p + 1 / 2; for rational, alpha = p.
- sigma              (numeric) The covariance coefficient for neural network kernel.

**Details****Polynomial Kernels**

$$k(x, x') = (x \cdot x')^p$$

We have intercept kernel when  $p = 0$ , and linear kernel when  $p = 1$ .

**Value**

- matrix\_wise       (function) A function calculating the relevance of two matrices.

**Author(s)**

Wenying Deng

**References**

The MIT Press. Gaussian Processes for Machine Learning, 2006.

**Description**

Generate matrix-wise functions for two matrices using matern kernel.

**Usage**

```
kernel_matern(l, p, sigma)
```

**Arguments**

- |       |   |
|-------|---|
| l     | (numeric) A numeric number indicating the hyperparameter (flexibility) of a specific kernel.  |
| p     | (integer) For polynomial, p is the power; for matern, v = p + 1 / 2; for rational, alpha = p. |
| sigma | (numeric) The covariance coefficient for neural network kernel.                               |

**Details****Matern Kernels**

$$k_{Matern}(r) = \frac{2^{1-\nu}}{\Gamma(\nu)} \left( \frac{\sqrt{2\nu r}}{l} \right)^\nu K_\nu \left( \frac{\sqrt{2\nu r}}{l} \right)$$

**Value**

- |             |  |
|-------------|--|
| matrix_wise | (function) A function calculating the relevance of two matrices. |
|-------------|--|

**Author(s)**

Wenying Deng

**References**

The MIT Press. Gaussian Processes for Machine Learning, 2006.

**Description**

Generate matrix-wise functions for two matrices using neural network kernel.

**Usage**

```
kernel_nn(l, p, sigma)
```

**Arguments**

- |       |   |
|-------|---|
| l     | (numeric) A numeric number indicating the hyperparameter (flexibility) of a specific kernel.  |
| p     | (integer) For polynomial, p is the power; for matern, v = p + 1 / 2; for rational, alpha = p. |
| sigma | (numeric) The covariance coefficient for neural network kernel.                               |

**Details****Neural Network Kernels**

$$k_{NN}(x, x') = \frac{2}{\pi} \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{2\tilde{x}^T \tilde{x}'}{\sqrt{(1 + 2\tilde{x}^T \tilde{x})(1 + 2\tilde{x}'^T \tilde{x}')}} \right)$$

**Value**

- |             |  |
|-------------|--|
| matrix_wise | (function) A function calculating the relevance of two matrices. |
|-------------|--|

**Author(s)**

Wenying Deng

**References**

The MIT Press. Gaussian Processes for Machine Learning, 2006.

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**kernel\_polynomial**      *Generating A Single Matrix-wise Function Using Polynomial*

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**Description**

Generate matrix-wise functions for two matrices using polynomial kernel.

**Usage**

```
kernel_polynomial(l, p, sigma)
```

**Arguments**

- |       |   |
|-------|---|
| l     | (numeric) A numeric number indicating the hyperparameter (flexibility) of a specific kernel.  |
| p     | (integer) For polynomial, p is the power; for matern, v = p + 1 / 2; for rational, alpha = p. |
| sigma | (numeric) The covariance coefficient for neural network kernel.                               |

**Details****Polynomial Kernels**

$$k(x, x') = (x \cdot x')^p$$

We have intercept kernel when  $p = 0$ , and linear kernel when  $p = 1$ .

**Value**

matrix\_wise    (function) A function calculating the relevance of two matrices.

**Author(s)**

Wenying Deng

**References**

The MIT Press. Gaussian Processes for Machine Learning, 2006.

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**kernel\_rational***Generating A Single Matrix-wise Function Using Rational Quadratic*

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**Description**

Generate matrix-wise functions for two matrices using rational kernel.

**Usage**

```
kernel_rational(l, p, sigma)
```

**Arguments**

- |       |   |
|-------|---|
| l     | (numeric) A numeric number indicating the hyperparameter (flexibility) of a specific kernel.  |
| p     | (integer) For polynomial, p is the power; for matern, v = p + 1 / 2; for rational, alpha = p. |
| sigma | (numeric) The covariance coefficient for neural network kernel.                               |

**Details****Rational Quadratic Kernels**

$$k_{RQ}(r) = \left(1 + \frac{r^2}{2\alpha l^2}\right)^{-\alpha}$$

**Value**

- |             |  |
|-------------|--|
| matrix_wise | (function) A function calculating the relevance of two matrices. |
|-------------|--|

**Author(s)**

Wenying Deng

**References**

The MIT Press. Gaussian Processes for Machine Learning, 2006.

**Description**

Generate matrix-wise functions for two matrices using rbf kernel.

**Usage**

```
kernel_rbf(l, p, sigma)
```

**Arguments**

- |       |   |
|-------|---|
| l     | (numeric) A numeric number indicating the hyperparameter (flexibility) of a specific kernel.  |
| p     | (integer) For polynomial, p is the power; for matern, v = p + 1 / 2; for rational, alpha = p. |
| sigma | (numeric) The covariance coefficient for neural network kernel.                               |

**Details****Gaussian RBF Kernels**

$$k_{SE}(r) = \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{2l^2}\right)$$

**Value**

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|-------------|--|
| matrix_wise | (function) A function calculating the relevance of two matrices. |
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**Author(s)**

Wenying Deng

**References**

The MIT Press. Gaussian Processes for Machine Learning, 2006.

`parse_cvek_formula`      *Parsing User-supplied Formula*

### Description

Parsing user-supplied formula to fixed-effect and kernel matrices.

### Usage

```
parse_cvek_formula(
  formula,
  kern_func_list,
  data,
  data_new = NULL,
  verbose = FALSE
)
```

### Arguments

<code>formula</code>	(formula) A user-supplied formula.
<code>kern_func_list</code>	(list) A list of kernel functions in the kernel library
<code>data</code>	(data.frame, n*d) A data.frame, list or environment (or object coercible by as.data.frame to a data.frame), containing the variables in formula. Neither a matrix nor an array will be accepted.
<code>data_new</code>	(data.frame, n_new*d) New data for computing predictions.
<code>verbose</code>	(logical) Whether to print additional messages.

### Details

The formula object is exactly like the formula for a GLM except that user can use `k()` to specify kernel terms. Additionally, user can specify interaction between kernel terms (using either `'*'` and `::`), and exclude interaction term by including `-1` on the RHS of formula.

### Value

A list of three slots:

<code>Y</code>	(matrix, n*1) The vector of response variable.
<code>X</code>	(matrix, n*d_fix) The fixed effect matrix.
<code>K</code>	(list of matrices) A nested list of kernel term matrices. The first level corresponds to each base kernel function in <code>kern_func_list</code> , the second level corresponds to each kernel term specified in the formula.

### Author(s)

Jeremiah Zhe Liu

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<code>predict.cvek</code>	<i>Predicting New Response</i>
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**Description**

Predicting new response based on given design matrix and the estimation result.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'cvek'
predict(object, newdata, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- `object` (list) Estimation results returned by `cvek()` procedure.
- `newdata` (dataframe) The new set of predictors, whose name is the same as those of formula in `cvek()`.
- `...` Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

**Details**

After we obtain the estimation result, we can predict new response.

**Value**

- `y_pred` (matrix, n\*1) Predicted new response.

**Author(s)**

Wenying Deng

**Examples**

```
kern_par <- data.frame(method = rep("rbf", 3),
1 = rep(3, 3), p = rep(2, 3),
stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
# define kernel library
kern_func_list <- define_library(kern_par)

n <- 10
d <- 4
formula <- y ~ x1 + x2 + k(x3, x4)
set.seed(1118)
data <- as.data.frame(matrix(
  rnorm(n * d),
  ncol = d,
  dimnames = list(NULL, paste0("x", 1:d)))
```

```

))
beta_true <- c(1, .41, 2.37)
lnr_kern_func <- generate_kernel(method = "rbf", l = 3)
kern_effect_lnr <-
  parse_kernel_variable("k(x3, x4)", lnr_kern_func, data)
alpha_lnr_true <- rnorm(n)

data$y <- as.matrix(cbind(1, data[, c("x1", "x2")]))) %*% beta_true +
  kern_effect_lnr %*% alpha_lnr_true

data_train <- data[1:6, ]
data_test <- data[7:10, ]

result <- cvek(formula,
  kern_func_list,
  data_train,
  mode = "loocv",
  strategy = "stack",
  beta_exp = 1,
  lambda = exp(seq(-2, 2)),
  test = "asymp",
  alt_kernel_type = "linear",
  verbose = FALSE)

predict(result, data_test)

```

***test\_asymp****Conducting Score Tests for Interaction Using Asymptotic Test***Description**

Conduct score tests comparing a fitted model and a more general alternative model using asymptotic test.

**Usage**

```
test_asymp(Y, X, y_fixed, alpha0, K_ens, K_int, sigma2_hat, tau_hat, B)
```

**Arguments**

Y	(matrix, n*1) The vector of response variable.
X	(matrix, n*d_fix) The fixed effect matrix.
y_fixed	(vector of length n) Estimated fixed effect of the response.
alpha0	(vector of length n) Kernel effect estimator of the estimated ensemble kernel matrix.
K_ens	(matrix, n*n) Estimated ensemble kernel matrix.
K_int	(matrix, n*n) The kernel matrix to be tested.

sigma2_hat	(numeric) The estimated noise of the fixed effect.
tau_hat	(numeric) The estimated noise of the kernel effect.
B	(integer) A numeric value indicating times of resampling when test = "boot".

**Details****Asymptotic Test**

This is based on the classical variance component test to construct a testing procedure for the hypothesis about Gaussian process function.

**Value**

pvalue	(numeric) p-value of the test.
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**Author(s)**

Wenying Deng

**References**

- Xihong Lin. Variance component testing in generalised linear models with random effects. June 1997.
- Arnab Maity and Xihong Lin. Powerful tests for detecting a gene effect in the presence of possible gene-gene interactions using garrote kernel machines. December 2011.
- Petra Bu z kova, Thomas Lumley, and Kenneth Rice. Permutation and parametric bootstrap tests for gene-gene and gene-environment interactions. January 2011.

**See Also**

- method: [generate\\_kernel](#)
- mode: [tuning](#)
- strategy: [ensemble](#)

**Description**

Conduct score tests comparing a fitted model and a more general alternative model using bootstrap test.

**Usage**

```
test_boot(Y, X, y_fixed, alpha0, K_ens, K_int, sigma2_hat, tau_hat, B)
```

## Arguments

<code>Y</code>	(matrix, n*1) The vector of response variable.
<code>X</code>	(matrix, n*d_fix) The fixed effect matrix.
<code>y_fixed</code>	(vector of length n) Estimated fixed effect of the response.
<code>alpha0</code>	(vector of length n) Kernel effect estimator of the estimated ensemble kernel matrix.
<code>K_ens</code>	(matrix, n*n) Estimated ensemble kernel matrix.
<code>K_int</code>	(matrix, n*n) The kernel matrix to be tested.
<code>sigma2_hat</code>	(numeric) The estimated noise of the fixed effect.
<code>tau_hat</code>	(numeric) The estimated noise of the kernel effect.
<code>B</code>	(integer) A numeric value indicating times of resampling when test = "boot".

## Details

### Bootstrap Test

When it comes to small sample size, we can use bootstrap test instead, which can give valid tests with moderate sample sizes and requires similar computational effort to a permutation test.

## Value

<code>pvalue</code>	(numeric) p-value of the test.
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## Author(s)

Wenying Deng

## References

- Xihong Lin. Variance component testing in generalised linear models with random effects. June 1997.
- Arnab Maity and Xihong Lin. Powerful tests for detecting a gene effect in the presence of possible gene-gene interactions using garrote kernel machines. December 2011.
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## See Also

- method: [generate\\_kernel](#)
- mode: [tuning](#)
- strategy: [ensemble](#)

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tuning	<i>Calculating Tuning Parameters</i>
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**Description**

Calculate tuning parameters based on given criteria.

**Usage**

```
tuning(Y, X, K_mat, mode, lambda)
```

**Arguments**

Y	(matrix, n*1) The vector of response variable.
X	(matrix, n*d_fix) The fixed effect matrix.
K_mat	(list of matrices) A nested list of kernel term matrices, corresponding to each kernel term specified in the formula for a base kernel function in kern_func_list.
mode	(character) A character string indicating which tuning parameter criteria is to be used.
lambda	(numeric) A numeric string specifying the range of tuning parameter to be chosen. The lower limit of lambda must be above 0.

**Details**

There are seven tuning parameter selections here:

**leave-one-out Cross Validation**

$$\lambda_{n-CV} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \left\{ \log y^{\star T} [I - \operatorname{diag}(A_\lambda) - \frac{1}{n} I]^{-1} (I - A_\lambda)^2 [I - \operatorname{diag}(A_\lambda) - \frac{1}{n} I]^{-1} y^\star \right\}$$

**Akaike Information Criteria**

$$\lambda_{AIC} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \left\{ \log y^{\star T} (I - A_\lambda)^2 y^\star + \frac{2[\operatorname{tr}(A_\lambda) + 2]}{n} \right\}$$

**Akaike Information Criteria (small-sample variant)**

$$\lambda_{AICc} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \left\{ \log y^{\star T} (I - A_\lambda)^2 y^\star + \frac{2[\operatorname{tr}(A_\lambda) + 2]}{n - \operatorname{tr}(A_\lambda) - 3} \right\}$$

**Bayesian Information Criteria**

$$\lambda_{BIC} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \left\{ \log y^{\star T} (I - A_\lambda)^2 y^\star + \frac{\log(n)[\operatorname{tr}(A_\lambda) + 2]}{n} \right\}$$

**Generalized Cross Validation**

$$\lambda_{GCV} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \left\{ \log y^{*T} (I - A_\lambda)^2 y^* - 2 \log [1 - \frac{\operatorname{tr}(A_\lambda)}{n} - \frac{1}{n}]_+ \right\}$$

### Generalized Cross Validation (small-sample variant)

$$\lambda_{GCVc} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \left\{ \log y^{*T} (I - A_\lambda)^2 y^* - 2 \log [1 - \frac{\operatorname{tr}(A_\lambda)}{n} - \frac{2}{n}]_+ \right\}$$

### Generalized Maximum Profile Marginal Likelihood

$$\lambda_{GMPML} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \left\{ \log y^{*T} (I - A_\lambda) y^* - \frac{1}{n-1} \log |I - A_\lambda| \right\}$$

### Value

`lambda0` (numeric) The selected tuning parameter.

### Author(s)

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- Philip S. Boonstra, Bhramar Mukherjee, and Jeremy M. G. Taylor. A Small-Sample Choice of the Tuning Parameter in Ridge Regression. July 2015.
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- Hurvich Clifford M., Simonoff Jeffrey S., and Tsai Chih-Ling. Smoothing parameter selection in nonparametric regression using an improved Akaike information criterion. January 2002.

### Description

Calculate tuning parameters based on AIC.

### Usage

```
tuning_AIC(Y, X, K_mat, lambda)
```

## Arguments

Y	(matrix, n*1) The vector of response variable.
X	(matrix, n*d_fix) The fixed effect matrix.
K_mat	(list of matrices) A nested list of kernel term matrices, corresponding to each kernel term specified in the formula for a base kernel function in kern_func_list.
lambda	(numeric) A numeric string specifying the range of tuning parameter to be chosen. The lower limit of lambda must be above 0.

## Details

### Akaike Information Criteria

$$\lambda_{AIC} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \left\{ \log y^{*T} (I - A_\lambda)^2 y^* + \frac{2[\operatorname{tr}(A_\lambda) + 2]}{n} \right\}$$

## Value

lambda0	(numeric) The estimated tuning parameter.
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## Author(s)

Wenying Deng

## References

- Philip S. Boonstra, Bhramar Mukherjee, and Jeremy M. G. Taylor. A Small-Sample Choice of the Tuning Parameter in Ridge Regression. July 2015.
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tuning\_AICc*Calculating Tuning Parameters Using AICc*

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**Description**

Calculate tuning parameters based on AICc.

**Usage**

```
tuning_AICc(Y, X, K_mat, lambda)
```

**Arguments**

Y	(matrix, n*1) The vector of response variable.
X	(matrix, n*d_fix) The fixed effect matrix.
K_mat	(list of matrices) A nested list of kernel term matrices, corresponding to each kernel term specified in the formula for a base kernel function in kern_func_list.
lambda	(numeric) A numeric string specifying the range of tuning parameter to be chosen. The lower limit of lambda must be above 0.

**Details****Akaike Information Criteria (small sample size)**

$$\lambda_{AICc} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \left\{ \log y^{\star T} (I - A_{\lambda})^2 y^{\star} + \frac{2[tr(A_{\lambda}) + 2]}{n - tr(A_{\lambda}) - 3} \right\}$$

**Value**

lambda0	(numeric) The estimated tuning parameter.
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**Author(s)**

Wenying Deng

**References**

- Philip S. Boonstra, Bhramar Mukherjee, and Jeremy M. G. Taylor. A Small-Sample Choice of the Tuning Parameter in Ridge Regression. July 2015.
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tuning\_BIC

*Calculating Tuning Parameters Using BIC*

## Description

Calculate tuning parameters based on BIC.

## Usage

```
tuning_BIC(Y, X, K_mat, lambda)
```

## Arguments

Y	(matrix, n*1) The vector of response variable.
X	(matrix, n*d_fix) The fixed effect matrix.
K_mat	(list of matrices) A nested list of kernel term matrices, corresponding to each kernel term specified in the formula for a base kernel function in kern_func_list.
lambda	(numeric) A numeric string specifying the range of tuning parameter to be chosen. The lower limit of lambda must be above 0.

## Details

### Bayesian Information Criteria

$$\lambda_{BIC} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \left\{ \log y^{*T} (I - A_\lambda)^2 y^* + \frac{\log(n)[\operatorname{tr}(A_\lambda) + 2]}{n} \right\}$$

## Value

lambda0	(numeric) The estimated tuning parameter.
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## Author(s)

Wenying Deng

## References

- Philip S. Boonstra, Bhramar Mukherjee, and Jeremy M. G. Taylor. A Small-Sample Choice of the Tuning Parameter in Ridge Regression. July 2015.
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tuning\_GCV

*Calculating Tuning Parameters Using GCV*

## Description

Calculate tuning parameters based on GCV.

## Usage

```
tuning_GCV(Y, X, K_mat, lambda)
```

## Arguments

- |        |  |
|--------|--|
| Y      | (matrix, n*1) The vector of response variable.   |
| X      | (matrix, n*d_fix) The fixed effect matrix.   |
| K_mat  | (list of matrices) A nested list of kernel term matrices, corresponding to each kernel term specified in the formula for a base kernel function in kern_func_list. |
| lambda | (numeric) A numeric string specifying the range of tuning parameter to be chosen. The lower limit of lambda must be above 0.                                       |

## Details

### Generalized Cross Validation

$$\lambda_{GCV} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \left\{ \log y^{\star T} (I - A_{\lambda})^2 y^{\star} - 2 \log [1 - \frac{\operatorname{tr}(A_{\lambda})}{n} - \frac{1}{n}]_+ \right\}$$

## Value

- |         |   |
|---------|---|
| lambda0 | (numeric) The estimated tuning parameter. |
|---------|---|

**Author(s)**

Wenying Deng

**References**

Philip S. Boonstra, Bhramar Mukherjee, and Jeremy M. G. Taylor. A Small-Sample Choice of the Tuning Parameter in Ridge Regression. July 2015.

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tuning\_GCVc

*Calculating Tuning Parameters Using GCVc*

**Description**

Calculate tuning parameters based on GCVc.

**Usage**

```
tuning_GCVc(Y, X, K_mat, lambda)
```

**Arguments**

Y	(matrix, n*1) The vector of response variable.
X	(matrix, n*d_fix) The fixed effect matrix.
K_mat	(list of matrices) A nested list of kernel term matrices, corresponding to each kernel term specified in the formula for a base kernel function in kern_func_list.
lambda	(numeric) A numeric string specifying the range of tuning parameter to be chosen. The lower limit of lambda must be above 0.

**Details****Generalized Cross Validation (small sample size)**

$$\lambda_{GCVc} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \left\{ \log y^{\star T} (I - A_{\lambda})^2 y^{\star} - 2 \log [1 - \frac{\operatorname{tr}(A_{\lambda})}{n} - \frac{2}{n}]_+ \right\}$$

**Value**

`lambda0` (numeric) The estimated tuning parameter.

**Author(s)**

Wenying Deng

**References**

Philip S. Boonstra, Bhramar Mukherjee, and Jeremy M. G. Taylor. A Small-Sample Choice of the Tuning Parameter in Ridge Regression. July 2015.

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Hurvich Clifford M., Simonoff Jeffrey S., and Tsai Chih-Ling. Smoothing parameter selection in nonparametric regression using an improved Akaike information criterion. January 2002.

**Description**

Calculate tuning parameters based on Generalized Maximum Profile Marginal Likelihood.

**Usage**

```
tuning_gmpml(Y, X, K_mat, lambda)
```

**Arguments**

<code>Y</code>	(matrix, n*1) The vector of response variable.
<code>X</code>	(matrix, n*d_fix) The fixed effect matrix.
<code>K_mat</code>	(list of matrices) A nested list of kernel term matrices, corresponding to each kernel term specified in the formula for a base kernel function in <code>kern_func_list</code> .
<code>lambda</code>	(numeric) A numeric string specifying the range of tuning parameter to be chosen. The lower limit of <code>lambda</code> must be above 0.

**Details****Generalized Maximum Profile Marginal Likelihood**

$$\lambda_{GMPML} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \left\{ \log y^{\star T} (I - A_\lambda) y^\star - \frac{1}{n-1} \log |I - A_\lambda| \right\}$$

**Value**

`lambda0` (numeric) The estimated tuning parameter.

**Author(s)**

Wenying Deng

**References**

Philip S. Boonstra, Bhramar Mukherjee, and Jeremy M. G. Taylor. A Small-Sample Choice of the Tuning Parameter in Ridge Regression. July 2015.

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Hurvich Clifford M., Simonoff Jeffrey S., and Tsai Chih-Ling. Smoothing parameter selection in nonparametric regression using an improved Akaike information criterion. January 2002.

**Description**

Calculate tuning parameters based on given leave-one-out Cross Validation.

**Usage**

```
tuning_loocv(Y, X, K_mat, lambda)
```

**Arguments**

<code>Y</code>	(matrix, n*1) The vector of response variable.
<code>X</code>	(matrix, n*d_fix) The fixed effect matrix.
<code>K_mat</code>	(list of matrices) A nested list of kernel term matrices, corresponding to each kernel term specified in the formula for a base kernel function in <code>kern_func_list</code> .
<code>lambda</code>	(numeric) A numeric string specifying the range of tuning parameter to be chosen. The lower limit of <code>lambda</code> must be above 0.

## Details

### leave-one-out Cross Validation

$$\lambda_{n-CV} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \left\{ \log y^{\star T} [I - \operatorname{diag}(A_\lambda) - \frac{1}{n} I]^{-1} (I - A_\lambda)^2 [I - \operatorname{diag}(A_\lambda) - \frac{1}{n} I]^{-1} y^\star \right\}$$

## Value

`lambda0` (numeric) The estimated tuning parameter.

## Author(s)

Wenying Deng

## References

- Philip S. Boonstra, Bhramar Mukherjee, and Jeremy M. G. Taylor. A Small-Sample Choice of the Tuning Parameter in Ridge Regression. July 2015.
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