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Details

Implementation of the classic Genz algorithm and a novel tile-low-rank algorithm for computing relatively high-dimensional multivariate normal and Student-t probabilities. For the Genz's algorithm (GenzBretz), we apply a univariate reordering preconditioner and for the tile-low-rank algorithms (TLRQMC), we apply a recursive block reordering preconditioner. The GenzBretz methods are different from their counterparts in the 'mvtnorm' package in that the 'tlrmvnmvt' package can accept any problem dimension and return the result in the log2 fashion, which is useful when the true probability is smaller than the machine precision. The TLRQMC algorithms can compute the probabilities up to tens of thousands of dimensions with the low-rank representation. However, this category of algorithms requires the existence of the low-rank property in the off-diagonal blocks of size m. The zorder function implements Morton's order in the 2D plane, which enhances the low-rank property of the produced covariance matrices.

Package functions: pmvn, pmvt, zorder

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References

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algorithm

Parameters for the Quasi-Monte Carlo sampling

Description

The two functions return objects containing the parameters for the dense-matrix based Quasi-Monte Carlo method and the tile-low-rank-matrix based Quasi-Monte Carlo method, respectively.

Usage

```
GenzBretz(N = 499)
TLRQMC(N = 499, m = 64, epsl = 1e-4)
```

Arguments

N	an integer, specifying the number of per-batch Monte Carlo samples. The total number of Monte Carlo samples is 20 X N
m	an integer, specifying the block size for the tile-low-rank methods
epsl	numeric value, specifying the truncation level for the tile-low-rank methods

Value

Return an object of the class "GenzBretz" or "TLRQMC", which is used as the parameter of the pmvn and the pmvt functions.

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pmvn

Quasi-Monte Carlo method for multivariate normal probabilities

Description

Compute multivariate normal probabilities with the dense-matrix based Quasi-Monte Carlo method and the tile-low-rank-matrix based Quasi-Monte Carlo method.

Usage

```
pmvn(lower = -Inf, upper = Inf, mean = 0, sigma = NULL,
uselog2 = FALSE, algorithm = GenzBretz(), ...)
```

Arguments

lower lower integration limits, a numeric vector of length n upper upper integration limits, a numeric vector of length n mean the mean parameter, a numeric vector of length n

sigma the covariance matrix of dimension n

uselog2 whether return the result as the logarithm to the base 2

algorithm an object of class GenzBretz or TLROMC defining the hyper parameters of this

algorithm

... additional parameters used to construct 'sigma' when it is not given:

- geom a matrix of dimension n-by-2, specifying n spatial locations in the 2D unit square
- kernelType the name of the covariance kernel, a string. Currently, only
 the Matern covariance function, e.g., "matern", is supported. Not casesensitive. It should be given when 'sigma' is not given
- para the parameter for the covariance kernel, a numeric vector. When 'type' is "matern", the length of 'para' should be 4, representing the scale, range, smoothness, and nugget parameters of the covariance function. It should be given when 'sigma' is not given

Details

When 'algorithm' is of the class 'GenzBretz', the Quasi-Monte Carlo sampling described in Genz, A. (1992) is used. When 'algorithm' is of the class 'TLRQMC', the Quasi-Monte Carlo sampling with the tile-low-rank representation of the covariance matrix, described in Cao et al. (2020), is used. When 'sigma', is given, 'geom', 'kernelType', and 'para' are not used. Otherwise, a covariance matrix is created with the information from 'geom', 'kernelType', and 'para'.

Value

When 'uselog2' is set FALSE, the function returns the estimated probability with one attribute of the estimation error. When 'uselog2' is set TRUE, the function only returns the estimated log-probability to the base 2. This is useful when the estimated probability is smaller than the machine precision.

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References

Genz, A. (1992), "Numerical computation of multivariate normal probabilities," Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics, 1, 141-149. Cao, J., Genton, M. G., Keyes, D. E., & Turkiyyah, G. M. (2022), "tlrmvnmvt: Computing High-Dimensional Multivariate Normal and Student-t Probabilities with Low-Rank Methods in R," Journal of Statistical Software, 101.4, 1-25.

Examples

```
n = 225
set.seed(0)
a = rep(-10, n)
b = rnorm(n, 3, 2)
m = 15
epsl = 1e-4
vec1 = 1 : m
vec2 = rep(1, m)
geom = cbind(kronecker(vec1, vec2), kronecker(vec2, vec1))
geom = geom / m
beta = 0.3
idx = zorder(geom)
geom = geom[idx, ]
a = a[idx]
b = b[idx]
distM = as.matrix(dist(geom))
covM = exp(-distM / beta)
pmvn(lower = a, upper = b, mean = 2, sigma = covM, uselog2 = FALSE,
     algorithm = GenzBretz(N = 521))
pmvn(lower = a, upper = b, mean = 2, uselog2 = TRUE, geom = geom,
     kernelType = "matern", para = c(1.0, 0.3, 0.5, 0.0))
pmvn(lower = a, upper = b, mean = 2, sigma = covM, uselog2 = FALSE,
     algorithm = TLRQMC(N = 521, m = m, epsl = epsl))
pmvn(lower = a, upper = b, mean = 2, uselog2 = TRUE, geom = geom,
     algorithm = TLROMC(N = 521, m = m, epsl = epsl),
     kernelType = "matern", para = c(1.0, 0.3, 0.5, 0.0))
```

pmvt

Quasi-Monte Carlo method for Student-\$t\$ probabilities

Description

Compute multivariate Student-\$t\$ probabilities with the dense-matrix based Quasi-Monte Carlo method and the tile-low-rank-matrix based Quasi-Monte Carlo method.

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Usage

```
pmvt(lower = -Inf, upper = Inf, delta = 0, df = 1, sigma = NULL,
      uselog2 = FALSE, algorithm = GenzBretz(),
      type = "Kshirsagar", ...)
```

Arguments

lower

upper upper integration limits, a numeric vector of length n

delta the vector of noncentrality parameters of length n, for type = "shifted" delta specifies the mode

df a positive numeric value denoting the degrees of freedom

sigma the covariance matrix of dimension n

uselog2 whether return the result as the logarithm to the base 2

lower integration limits, a numeric vector of length n

algorithm an object of class GenzBretz or TLRQMC defining the hyper parameters of this

algorithm

type type of the noncentral multivariate \$t\$ distribution to be computed. 'type' =

"Kshirsagar" corresponds to formula (1.4) in Genz and Bretz (2009). 'type' = "shifted" corresponds to the formula right before formula (1.4) in Genz and

Bretz (2009)

... additional parameters used to construct 'sigma' when it is not given:

• geom a matrix of dimension n-by-2, specifying n spatial locations in the 2D unit square

- kernelType the name of the covariance kernel, a string. Currently, only
 the Matern covariance function, e.g., "matern", is supported. Not casesensitive. It should be given when 'sigma' is not given
- para the parameter for the covariance kernel, a numeric vector. When 'type' is "matern", the length of 'para' should be 4, representing the scale, range, smoothness, and nugget parameters of the covariance function. It should be given when 'sigma' is not given

Details

When 'algorithm' is of the class 'GenzBretz', the Quasi-Monte Carlo sampling described in Genz, A. (1992) is used. When 'algorithm' is of the class 'TLRQMC', the Quasi-Monte Carlo sampling with the tile-low-rank representation of the covariance matrix, described in Cao et al. (2020), is used. When 'sigma', is given, 'geom', 'kernelType', and 'para' are not used. Otherwise, a covariance matrix is created with the information from 'geom', 'kernelType', and 'para'.

Value

When 'uselog2' is set FALSE, the function returns the estimated probability with one attribute of the estimation error. When 'uselog2' is set TRUE, the function only returns the estimated log-probability to the base 2. This is useful when the estimated probability is smaller than the machine precision.

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Examples

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n = 225
set.seed(0)
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epsl = 1e-4
vec1 = 1 : m
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geom = cbind(kronecker(vec1, vec2), kronecker(vec2, vec1))
geom = geom / m
beta = 0.3
idx = zorder(geom)
geom = geom[idx, ]
a = a[idx]
b = b[idx]
distM = as.matrix(dist(geom))
covM = exp(-distM / beta)
df = 10
pmvt(lower = a, upper = b, delta = 2, df = df,
     sigma = covM, uselog2 = FALSE, algorithm = GenzBretz(N = 521),
     type = "Kshirsagar")
pmvt(lower = a, upper = b, delta = 2, df = df,
     uselog2 = TRUE, type = "shifted", geom = geom,
     kernelType = "matern", para = c(1.0, 0.3, 0.5, 0.0))
pmvt(lower = a, upper = b, delta = 2, df = df,
     sigma = covM, uselog2 = FALSE,
     algorithm = TLRQMC(N = 521, m = m, epsl = epsl), type = "Kshirsagar")
pmvt(lower = a, upper = b, delta = 2, df = df,
     uselog2 = TRUE, type = "shifted", geom = geom,
     algorithm = TLRQMC(N = 521, m = m, epsl = epsl),
     kernelType = "matern", para = c(1.0, 0.3, 0.5, 0.0))
```

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Description

Index a set of locations of the 2D plane with a Z-curve, when they are scaled into the unit square. The goal of this function is to make locations close in geometry also close in the index. When partitioned into clusters, the inter-cluster correlation is more likely to be low-rank.

Usage

```
zorder(geom)
```

Arguments

geom

2D geometry, each row represents the location of a variable. The geometry should be scaled into the unit square, $(0,1) \times (0,1)$

Value

A vector of indices based on the Z-curve.

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References

Foley, James, Andries van Dam, Steven Feiner, and John Hughes. "Computer Graphics: Principle and Practice". Addison-Wesley Publishing Company. Reading, Massachusetts: 1987. pages 870-871

Examples

```
n = 333
set.seed(0)
geom = matrix(runif(n*2), n, 2)
idx = zorder(geom)
idx
```

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