

# Package ‘VeccTMVN’

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**Description** Under a different representation of the multivariate normal (MVN) probability, we can use the Vecchia approximation to sample the integrand at a linear complexity with respect to  $n$ . Additionally, both the SOV algorithm from Genz (92) and the exponential-tilting method from Botev (2017) can be adapted to linear complexity. The reference for the method implemented in this package is Jian Cao and Matthias Katzfuss (2024) "Linear-Cost Vecchia Approximation of Multivariate Normal Probabilities" <arXiv:2311.09426>. Two major references for the development of our method are Alan Genz (1992) "Numerical Computation of Multivariate Normal Probabilities" <doi:10.1080/10618600.1992.10477010> and Z. I. Botev (2017) "The Normal Law Under Linear Restrictions: Simulation and Estimation via Minimax Tilting" <arXiv:1603.04166>.

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| FIC_reorder_univar | <i>Univariate ordering under FIC approximation, first m chosen by m iter of dense univariate reordering</i> |
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### Description

Univariate ordering under FIC approximation, first m chosen by m iter of dense univariate reordering

### Usage

```
FIC_reorder_univar(
  a,
  b,
  m,
  locs = NULL,
  covName = NULL,
  covParms = NULL,
  covMat = NULL
)
```

### Arguments

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| a        | lower bound vector for TMVN                                 |
| b        | upper bound vector for TMVN                                 |
| m        | Vecchia conditioning set size                               |
| locs     | location (feature) matrix n X d                             |
| covName  | covariance function name from the ‘GpGp’ package            |
| covParms | parameters for ‘covName’                                    |
| covMat   | dense covariance matrix, not needed when ‘locs’ is not null |

**Value**

a vector of new order based on FIC assumption and maxmin ordering

**Examples**

```
library(VecciTMVN)
n1 <- 5
n2 <- 5
n <- n1 * n2
m <- 5
locs <- as.matrix(expand.grid((1:n1) / n1, (1:n2) / n2))
covparms <- c(2, 0.1, 0)
cov_name <- "matern15_isotropic"
a <- rep(-Inf, n)
b <- seq(from = -3, to = 3, length.out = n)
cat("The output order should be roughly 1 to ", n)
cat(FIC_reorder_univar(a, b, m, locs, cov_name, covparms))
```

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| find_nn_corr | <i>Find ordered nearest neighbors based on a correlation Matrix. Assuming the absolute value of the correlation is monotonically decreasing with distance. Returns an <math>n \times (m + 1)</math> matrix similar to ‘GpGp::find_ordered_nn’.</i> |
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**Description**

Find ordered nearest neighbors based on a correlation Matrix. Assuming the absolute value of the correlation is monotonically decreasing with distance. Returns an  $n \times (m + 1)$  matrix similar to ‘GpGp::find\_ordered\_nn’.

**Usage**

```
find_nn_corr(corrMat, m)
```

**Arguments**

|         |                                 |
|---------|---------------------------------|
| corrMat | the correlation matrix          |
| m       | the number of nearest neighbors |

**Value**

an  $n \times (m + 1)$  matrix

**Examples**

```

library(GpGp)
library(VeccTMVN)
set.seed(123)
d <- 3
n <- 100
locs <- matrix(runif(d * n), n, d)
covparms <- c(2, 0.01, 0)
cov_mat <- GpGp::matern15_isotropic(covparms, locs)
m <- 10
NNarray_test <- GpGp::find_ordered_nn(locs, m = m)
NNarray <- find_nn_corr(cov_mat, m)
cat("Number of mismatch is", sum(NNarray != NNarray_test, na.rm = TRUE))

```

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| get_sp_inv_chol | <i>Get the inverse upper Cholesky factor under the Vecchia approximation</i> |
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**Description**

Get the inverse upper Cholesky factor under the Vecchia approximation

**Usage**

```
get_sp_inv_chol(covMat, NNarray)
```

**Arguments**

|         |   |
|---------|---|
| covMat  | the covariance matrix   |
| NNarray | n X (m + 1) matrix representing the nearest neighbor indices among previous observations. This is typically the return of GpGp::find_ordered_nn |

**Value**

upper Cholesky of the inverse of 'covMat'

**Examples**

```

library(GpGp)
n1 <- 10
n2 <- 10
n <- n1 * n2
locs <- as.matrix(expand.grid((1:n1) / n1, (1:n2) / n2))
covparms <- c(2, 0.3, 0)
cov_mat <- GpGp::matern15_isotropic(covparms, locs)
m <- 30
NNarray <- GpGp::find_ordered_nn(locs, m = m)
# Vecchia approx -----

```

```

U_Vecc <- get_sp_inv_chol(cov_mat, NNarray)
U <- solve(chol(cov_mat))
cat("Frobenius norm of the difference is", sqrt(sum((U - U_Vecc)^2)))

```

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| loglk_censor_MVN | <i>Compute censored multivariate normal (MVN) log-probabilities that have spatial covariance matrices using Vecchia approximation</i> |
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### Description

Compute censored multivariate normal (MVN) log-probabilities that have spatial covariance matrices using Vecchia approximation

### Usage

```

loglk_censor_MVN(
  locs,
  indCensor,
  y,
  bCensor,
  covName = NULL,
  covParms = NULL,
  m = 30,
  NLevel1 = 10,
  NLevel2 = 1000,
  verbose = TRUE
)

```

### Arguments

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| locs      | location (feature) matrix n X d  |
| indCensor | indices of locations that have only censored observations  |
| y         | observed (not censored) values, of length n  |
| bCensor   | upper bound, above which observations are not censored, can be different for different locations, of length 1 or n |
| covName   | covariance function name from the 'GpGp' package   |
| covParms  | parameters for 'covName'   |
| m         | Vecchia conditioning set size  |
| NLevel1   | first level Monte Carlo sample size  |
| NLevel2   | second level Monte Carlo sample size   |
| verbose   | verbose level  |

### Value

estimated MVN probability and estimation error

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| mvrاندn | <i>Simulate censored multivariate normal (MVN) as censored locations using the Vecchia approximation</i> |
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### Description

Simulate censored multivariate normal (MVN) as censored locations using the Vecchia approximation

### Usage

```
mvrاندn(
  lower,
  upper,
  mean,
  locs = NULL,
  covName = "matern15_isotropic",
  covParms = c(1, 0.1, 0),
  m = 30,
  sigma = NULL,
  N = 1000,
  verbose = FALSE
)
```

### Arguments

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| lower    | lower bound vector for TMVN                                 |
| upper    | upper bound vector for TMVN                                 |
| mean     | MVN mean  |
| locs     | location (feature) matrix n X d                             |
| covName  | covariance function name from the ‘GpGp’ package            |
| covParms | parameters for ‘covName’                                    |
| m        | Vecchia conditioning set size                               |
| sigma    | dense covariance matrix, not needed when ‘locs’ is not null |
| N        | number of samples required                                  |
| verbose  | verbose level   |

### Value

n X N matrix of generated samples

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| pmvn | <i>Compute multivariate normal (MVN) probabilities that have spatial covariance matrices using Vecchia approximation</i> |
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### Description

Compute multivariate normal (MVN) probabilities that have spatial covariance matrices using Vecchia approximation

### Usage

```
pmvn(
  lower,
  upper,
  mean,
  locs = NULL,
  covName = "matern15_isotropic",
  covParms = c(1, 0.1, 0),
  m = 30,
  sigma = NULL,
  reorder = 0,
  NLevel1 = 12,
  NLevel2 = 10000,
  verbose = FALSE,
  retlog = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| lower    | lower bound vector for TMVN  |
| upper    | upper bound vector for TMVN  |
| mean     | MVN mean   |
| locs     | location (feature) matrix n X d  |
| covName  | covariance function name from the 'GpGp' package   |
| covParms | parameters for 'covName'   |
| m        | Vecchia conditioning set size  |
| sigma    | dense covariance matrix, not needed when 'locs' is not null  |
| reorder  | whether to reorder integration variables. '0' for no, '1' for FIC-based univariate ordering, and '2' for Vecchia-based univariate ordering |
| NLevel1  | first level Monte Carlo sample size  |
| NLevel2  | second level Monte Carlo sample size   |
| verbose  | verbose or not   |
| retlog   | TRUE or FALSE for whether to return loglk or not   |
| ...      | could be m_ord for conditioning set size for reordering  |

**Value**

estimated MVN probability and estimation error

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| ptmvrاندn | <i>Simulate censored multivariate normal (MVN) as censored locations using the Vecchia approximation</i> |
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**Description**

Simulate censored multivariate normal (MVN) as censored locations using the Vecchia approximation

**Usage**

```
ptmvrاندn(
  locs,
  indCensor,
  y,
  bCensor,
  covName = NULL,
  covParms = NULL,
  m = 30,
  N = 1000,
  verbose = TRUE,
  reorder = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| locs      | location (feature) matrix $n \times d$   |
| indCensor | indices of locations that have only censored observations  |
| y         | observed (not censored) values, of length $n$  |
| bCensor   | upper bound, above which observations are not censored, can be different for different locations, of length 1 or $n$ |
| covName   | covariance function name from the 'GpGp' package   |
| covParms  | parameters for 'covName'   |
| m         | Vecchia conditioning set size  |
| N         | number of samples required   |
| verbose   | verbose level  |
| reorder   | whether to Vecchia univariate variable reordering  |

**Value**

$n \times N$  matrix of generated samples



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 VeccTMVN

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**Description**

Compute multivariate normal probabilities and sample from multivariate truncated normal distribution, taking advantage of the Vecchia approximation

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 Vecc\_reorder

*Univariate ordering under Vecchia approximation*


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**Description**

Univariate ordering under Vecchia approximation

**Usage**

```
Vecc_reorder(
  a,
  b,
  m,
  locs = NULL,
  covName = NULL,
  covParms = NULL,
  covMat = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| a        | lower bound vector for TMVN                                 |
| b        | upper bound vector for TMVN                                 |
| m        | Vecchia conditioning set size                               |
| locs     | location (feature) matrix n X d                             |
| covName  | covariance function name from the 'GpGp' package            |
| covParms | parameters for 'covName'                                    |
| covMat   | dense covariance matrix, not needed when 'locs' is not null |

**Value**

a vector of new order based on FIC assumption and maxmin ordering

**Examples**

```
library(lhs)
library(GpGp)
library(VeccTMVN)
set.seed(123)
n <- 100
m <- 5
locs <- lhs::geneticLHS(n, 2)
covparms <- c(1, 0.1, 0)
cov_name <- "matern15_isotropic"
cov_mat <- get(cov_name)(covparms, locs)
a <- rep(-Inf, n)
b <- runif(n)
odr_TN <- TruncatedNormal::cholperm(cov_mat, a, b)$perm
rslt <- Vecc_reorder(a, b, m,
  locs = locs, covName = cov_name,
  covParms = covparms
)
# compare order
cat(rslt$order)
cat(odr_TN)
```

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