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## Description

Likelihood evaluations for stationary Gaussian time series are typically obtained via the Durbin-Levinson algorithm, which scales as  $O(n^2)$  in the number of time series observations. This package provides a “superfast”  $O(n \log^2 n)$  algorithm written in C++, crossing over with Durbin-Levinson around  $n = 300$ . Efficient implementations of the score and Hessian functions are also provided, leading to superfast versions of inference algorithms such as Newton-Raphson and Hamiltonian Monte Carlo. The C++ code provides a Toeplitz matrix class packaged as a header-only library, to simplify low-level usage in other packages and outside of R.

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SuperGauss-package      *Superfast inference for stationary Gaussian time series.*

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**Details**

While likelihood calculations with stationary Gaussian time series generally scale as  $O(N^2)$  in the number of observations, this package implements an algorithm which scales as  $O(N \log^2 N)$ . "Superfast" algorithms for loglikelihood gradients and Hessians are also provided. The underlying C++ code is distributed through a header-only library found in the installed package's include directory.

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**Examples**

```

# Superfast inference for the timescale parameter
# of the exponential autocorrelation function
exp_acf <- function(lambda) exp(-(1:N-1)/lambda)

# simulate data
lambda0 <- 1
N <- 1000
X <- rnormtz(n = 1, acf = exp_acf(lambda0))

# loglikelihood function
# allocate memory for a NormalToeplitz distribution object
NTz <- NormalToeplitz$new(N)
loglik <- function(lambda) {
  NTz$logdens(z = X, acf = exp_acf(lambda))
  ## dSnorm(X = X, acf = Toep, log = TRUE)
}

# maximum likelihood estimation
optimize(f = loglik, interval = c(.2, 5), maximum = TRUE)

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 acf2incr

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*Convert position autocorrelations to increment autocorrelations.*


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**Description**

Convert the autocorrelation of a stationary sequence  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_N)$  to that of its increments,  $dx = (x_2 - x_1, \dots, x_N - x_{(N-1)})$ .

**Usage**

```
acf2incr(acf)
```

**Arguments**

acf                    Length-N vector of position autocorrelations.

**Value**

Length N-1 vector of increment autocorrelations.

**Examples**

```
acf2incr(acf = exp(-(0:10)))
```

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acf2msd	<i>Convert autocorrelation of stationary increments to mean squared displacement of positions.</i>
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**Description**

Converts the autocorrelation of a stationary increment sequence  $dx = (x_1 - x_0, \dots, x_N - x_{(N-1)})$  to the mean squared displacement (MSD) of the corresponding positions, i.e.,  $MSD_i = E[(x_i - x_0)^2]$ .

**Usage**

```
acf2msd(acf)
```

**Arguments**

acf	Length-N autocorrelation vector of a stationary increment sequence.
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**Value**

Length-N MSD vector of the corresponding positions.

**Examples**

```
acf2msd(acf = exp(-(0:10)))
```

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Cholesky	<i>Cholesky multiplication with Toeplitz variance matrices.</i>
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**Description**

Multiplies the Cholesky decomposition of the Toeplitz matrix with another matrix, or solves a system of equations with the Cholesky factor.

**Usage**

```
cholZX(Z, acf)
```

```
cholXZ(X, acf)
```

**Arguments**

Z	Length-N or $N \times p$ matrix of residuals.
acf	Length-N autocorrelation vector of the Toeplitz variance matrix.
X	Length-N or $N \times p$ matrix of observations.

**Details**

If  $C = t(\text{chol}(\text{toeplitz}(\text{acf})))$ , then  $\text{cholZX}()$  computes  $C \%*\% Z$  and  $\text{cholZ}()$  computes  $\text{solve}(C, X)$ . Both functions use the Durbin-Levinson algorithm.

**Value**

Size  $N \times p$  residual or observation matrix.

**Examples**

```
N <- 10
p <- 2
acf <- exp(-(1:N - 1))

Z <- matrix(rnorm(N * p), N, p)
cholZX(Z = Z, acf = acf) - (t(chol(toeplitz(acf))) \%*\% Z)

X <- matrix(rnorm(N * p), N, p)
cholXZ(X = X, acf = acf) - solve(t(chol(toeplitz(acf))), X)
```

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Circulant

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*Constructor and methods for Circulant matrix objects.*


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**Description**

Constructor and methods for Circulant matrix objects.

**Methods****Public methods:**

- [Circulant\\$new\(\)](#)
- [Circulant\\$size\(\)](#)
- [Circulant\\$set\\_acf\(\)](#)
- [Circulant\\$get\\_acf\(\)](#)
- [Circulant\\$set\\_psd\(\)](#)
- [Circulant\\$get\\_psd\(\)](#)
- [Circulant\\$has\\_acf\(\)](#)
- [Circulant\\$prod\(\)](#)
- [Circulant\\$solve\(\)](#)
- [Circulant\\$log\\_det\(\)](#)
- [Circulant\\$clone\(\)](#)

**Method** `new()`: Class constructor.

*Usage:*

```
Circulant$new(N, uacf, upsd)
```

*Arguments:*

N Size of Circulant matrix.

uacf Optional vector of  $N_u = \text{floor}(N/2)+1$  unique elements of the autocorrelation.

upsd Optional vector of  $N_u = \text{floor}(N/2)+1$  unique elements of the PSD.

*Returns:* A Circulant object.

**Method** size(): Get the size of the Circulant matrix.

*Usage:*

Circulant\$size()

*Returns:* Size of the Circulant matrix.

**Method** set\_acf(): Set the autocorrelation of the Circulant matrix.

*Usage:*

Circulant\$set\_acf(uacf)

*Arguments:*

uacf Vector of  $N_u = \text{floor}(N/2)+1$  unique elements of the autocorrelation.

**Method** get\_acf(): Get the autocorrelation of the Circulant matrix.

*Usage:*

Circulant\$get\_acf()

*Returns:* The complete autocorrelation vector of length N.

**Method** set\_psd(): Set the PSD of the Circulant matrix.

The power spectral density (PSD) of a Circulant matrix  $C_t = \text{Circulant}(\text{acf})$  is defined as  $\text{psd} = \text{iFFT}(\text{acf})$ .

*Usage:*

Circulant\$set\_psd(upsd)

*Arguments:*

upsd Vector of  $N_u = \text{floor}(N/2)+1$  unique elements of the psd.

**Method** get\_psd(): Get the PSD of the Circulant matrix.

*Usage:*

Circulant\$get\_psd()

*Returns:* The complete PSD vector of length N.

**Method** has\_acf(): Check whether the autocorrelation of the Circulant matrix has been set.

*Usage:*

Circulant\$has\_acf()

*Returns:* Logical; TRUE if Circulant\$set\_acf() has been called.

**Method** prod(): Circulant matrix-matrix product.

*Usage:*

Circulant\$prod(x)

*Arguments:*

x Vector or matrix with N rows.

*Returns:* The matrix product  $Ct \%* \% x$ .

**Method** solve(): Solve a Circulant system of equations.

*Usage:*

Circulant\$solve(x)

*Arguments:*

x Optional vector or matrix with N rows.

*Returns:* The solution in z to the system of equations  $Ct \%* \% z = x$ . If x is missing, returns the inverse of Ct.

**Method** log\_det(): Calculate the log-determinant of the Circulant matrix.

*Usage:*

Circulant\$log\_det()

*Returns:* The log-determinant  $\log(\det(Ct))$ .

**Method** clone(): The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

*Usage:*

Circulant\$clone(deep = FALSE)

*Arguments:*

deep Whether to make a deep clone.

dnormtz

*Density of a multivariate normal with Toeplitz variance matrix.***Description**

Density of a multivariate normal with Toeplitz variance matrix.

**Usage**

```
dnormtz(X, mu, acf, log = FALSE, method = c("gschur", "ltz"))
```

**Arguments**

X	Vector of length N or $N \times n$ matrix, of which each column is a multivariate observation.
mu	Vector or matrix of mean values of compatible dimensions with X. Defaults to all zeros.
acf	Vector of length N containing the first column of the Toeplitz variance matrix.
log	Logical; whether to return the multivariate normal density on the log scale.
method	Which calculation method to use. Choices are: gschur for a modified version of the Generalized Schur algorithm of Ammar & Gragg (1988), or ltz for the Levinson-Trench-Zohar method. The former scales as $O(N \log^2 N)$ whereas the latter scales as $O(N^2)$ and should only be used for $N < 300$ .

**Value**

Vector of  $n$  (log-)densities, one for each column of  $X$ .

**Examples**

```
# simulate data
N <- 10 # length of each time series
n <- 3 # number of time series
theta <- 0.1
lambda <- 2
mu <- theta^2 * rep(1, N)
acf <- exp(-lambda * (1:N - 1))

X <- rnormtz(n, acf = acf) + mu

# evaluate log-density
dnormtz(X, mu, acf, log = TRUE)
```

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fbm\_msd

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*Mean square displacement of fractional Brownian motion.*


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**Description**

Mean square displacement of fractional Brownian motion.

**Usage**

```
fbm_msd(tseq, H)
```

**Arguments**

tseq	Length-N vector of timepoints.
H	Hurst parameter (between 0 and 1).

**Details**

The mean squared displacement (MSD) of a stochastic process  $X_t$  is defined as

$$\text{MSD}(t) = E[(X_t - X_0)^2].$$

Fractional Brownian motion (fBM) is a continuous Gaussian process with stationary increments, such that its covariance function is entirely defined the MSD, which in this case is  $\text{MSD}(t) = |t|^{2H}$ .

**Value**

Length-N vector of mean square displacements.

**Examples**

```
fbm_msd(tseq = 1:10, H = 0.4)
```



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matern_acf	<i>Matern autocorrelation function.</i>
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**Description**

Matern autocorrelation function.

**Usage**

```
matern_acf(tseq, lambda, nu)
```

**Arguments**

tseq	Vector of N time points at which the autocorrelation is to be calculated.
lambda	Timescale parameter.
nu	Smoothness parameter.

**Details**

The Matern autocorrelation is given by

$$\text{ACF}(t) = \frac{2^{1-\nu}}{\Gamma(\nu)} \left( \sqrt{2\nu} \frac{t}{\lambda} \right)^\nu K_\nu \left( \sqrt{2\nu} \frac{t}{\lambda} \right),$$

where  $K_\nu(x)$  is the modified Bessel function of second kind.

**Value**

An autocorrelation vector of length N.

**Examples**

```
matern_acf(tseq = 1:10, lambda = 1, nu = 3/2)
```

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msd2acf	<i>Convert mean square displacement of positions to autocorrelation of increments.</i>
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**Description**

Converts the mean squared displacement (MSD) of a stationary increments sequence  $x = (x_0, x_1, \dots, x_N)$  positions to the autocorrelation of the corresponding increments  $dx = (x_1 - x_0, \dots, x_N - x_{(N-1)})$ .

**Usage**

```
msd2acf(msd)
```

**Arguments**

msd                      Length-N MSD vector, i.e., excluding  $x_0$  which is assumed to be zero.

**Value**

Length-N autocorrelation vector.

**Examples**

```
# autocorrelation of fBM increments
msd2acf(msd = fbm_msd(tseq = 0:10, H = .3))
```

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NormalCirculant                      *Multivariate normal with Circulant variance matrix.*

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**Description**

Provides methods for the Normal-Circulant (NCt) distribution, which for a random vector  $z$  of length  $N$  is defined as

$$z \sim \text{NCt}(\text{uacf}) \iff z \sim \text{Normal}(\mathbf{0}, \text{toeplitz}(\text{acf})),$$

where  $\text{uacf}$  are the  $N_u = \text{floor}(N/2)+1$  unique elements of the autocorrelation vector  $\text{acf}$ , i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{acf} &= (\text{uacf}, \text{rev}(\text{uacf}[2:(N_u-1)])), & N \text{ even,} \\ &= (\text{uacf}, \text{rev}(\text{uacf}[2:N_u])), & N \text{ odd.} \end{aligned}$$

**Methods****Public methods:**

- [NormalCirculant\\$new\(\)](#)
- [NormalCirculant\\$size\(\)](#)
- [NormalCirculant\\$logdens\(\)](#)
- [NormalCirculant\\$grad\\_full\(\)](#)
- [NormalCirculant\\$clone\(\)](#)

**Method** `new()`: Class constructor.

*Usage:*

`NormalCirculant$new(N)`

*Arguments:*

$N$  Size of the NCt random vector.

*Returns:* A NormalCirculant object.

**Method** `size()`: Get the size of the NCt random vector.

*Usage:*

NormalCirculant\$size()

*Returns:* Size of the NCt random vector.

**Method** logdens(): Log-density function.

*Usage:*

NormalCirculant\$logdens(z, uacf)

*Arguments:*

z Density argument. A vector of length N or an N × n\_obs matrix where each column is an N-dimensional observation.

uacf A vector of length Nu = floor(N/2) containing the first half of the autocorrelation (i.e., first row/column) of the Circulant variance matrix.

*Returns:* A scalar or vector of length n\_obs containing the log-density of the NCt evaluated at its arguments.

**Method** grad\_full(): Full gradient of log-density function.

*Usage:*

NormalCirculant\$grad\_full(z, uacf, calc\_dldz = TRUE, calc\_dldu = TRUE)

*Arguments:*

z Density argument. A vector of length N.

uacf A vector of length Nu = floor(N/2) containing the first half of the autocorrelation (i.e., first row/column) of the Circulant variance matrix.

calc\_dldz Whether or not to calculate the gradient with respect to z.

calc\_dldu Whether or not to calculate the gradient with respect to uacf.

*Returns:* A list with elements:

ldens The log-density evaluated at z and uacf.

dldz The length-N gradient vector with respect to z, if calc\_dldz = TRUE.

dldu The length-Nu = floor(N/2)+1 gradient vector with respect to uacf, if calc\_dldu = TRUE.

**Method** clone(): The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

*Usage:*

NormalCirculant\$clone(deep = FALSE)

*Arguments:*

deep Whether to make a deep clone.

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NormalToeplitz	<i>Multivariate normal with Toeplitz variance matrix.</i>
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### Description

Provides methods for the Normal-Toeplitz (NTz) distribution defined as

$$z \sim \text{NTz}(\text{acf}) \iff z \sim \text{Normal}(\emptyset, \text{toeplitz}(\text{acf})),$$

i.e., for a multivariate normal with mean zero and variance  $Tz = \text{toeplitz}(\text{acf})$ .

### Methods

#### Public methods:

- [NormalToeplitz\\$new\(\)](#)
- [NormalToeplitz\\$size\(\)](#)
- [NormalToeplitz\\$logdens\(\)](#)
- [NormalToeplitz\\$grad\(\)](#)
- [NormalToeplitz\\$hess\(\)](#)
- [NormalToeplitz\\$grad\\_full\(\)](#)
- [NormalToeplitz\\$clone\(\)](#)

**Method** `new()`: Class constructor.

*Usage:*

`NormalToeplitz$new(N)`

*Arguments:*

N Size of the NTz random vector.

*Returns:* A NormalToeplitz object.

**Method** `size()`: Get the size of the NTz random vector.

*Usage:*

`NormalToeplitz$size()`

*Returns:* Size of the NTz random vector.

**Method** `logdens()`: Log-density function.

*Usage:*

`NormalToeplitz$logdens(z, acf)`

*Arguments:*

z Density argument. A vector of length N or an N x n\_obs matrix where each column is an N-dimensional observation.

acf A vector of length N containing the autocorrelation (i.e., first row/column) of the Toeplitz variance matrix.

*Returns:* A scalar or vector of length `n_obs` containing the log-density of the NTz evaluated at its arguments.

**Method** `grad()`: Gradient of the log-density with respect to parameters.

*Usage:*

```
NormalToeplitz$grad(z, dz, acf, dacf, full_out = FALSE)
```

*Arguments:*

`z` Density argument. A vector of length `N`.

`dz` An `N x n_theta` matrix containing the gradient  $dz/d\theta$ .

`acf` A vector of length `N` containing the autocorrelation of the Toeplitz variance matrix.

`dacf` An `N x n_theta` matrix containing the gradient  $dacf/d\theta$ .

`full_out` If TRUE, returns the log-density as well (see 'Value').

*Returns:* A vector of length `n_theta` containing the gradient of the NTz log-density with respect to `theta`, or a list with elements `ldens` and `grad` consisting of the log-density and the gradient vector.

**Method** `hess()`: Hessian of log-density with respect to parameters.

*Usage:*

```
NormalToeplitz$hess(z, dz, d2z, acf, dacf, d2acf, full_out = FALSE)
```

*Arguments:*

`z` Density argument. A vector of length `N`.

`dz` An `N x n_theta` matrix containing the gradient  $dz/d\theta$ .

`d2z` An `N x n_theta x n_theta` array containing the Hessian  $d^2z/d\theta^2$ .

`acf` A vector of length `N` containing the autocorrelation of the Toeplitz variance matrix.

`dacf` An `N x n_theta` matrix containing the gradient  $dacf/d\theta$ .

`d2acf` An `N x n_theta x n_theta` array containing the Hessian  $d^2acf/d\theta^2$ .

`full_out` If TRUE, returns the log-density and its gradient as well (see 'Value').

*Returns:* An `n_theta x n_theta` matrix containing the Hessian of the NTz log-density with respect to `theta`, or a list with elements `ldens`, `grad`, and `hess` consisting of the log-density, its gradient (a vector of size `n_theta`), and the Hessian matrix, respectively.

**Method** `grad_full()`: Full gradient of log-density function.

*Usage:*

```
NormalToeplitz$grad_full(z, acf, calc_dldz = TRUE, calc_dlda = TRUE)
```

*Arguments:*

`z` Density argument. A vector of length `N`.

`acf` A vector of length `N` containing the autocorrelation of the Toeplitz variance matrix.

`calc_dldz` Whether or not to calculate the gradient with respect to `z`.

`calc_dlda` Whether or not to calculate the gradient with respect to `acf`.

*Returns:* A list with elements:

`ldens` The log-density evaluated at `z` and `acf`.

`dldz` The length-`N` gradient vector with respect to `z`, if `calc_dldz = TRUE`.

dlda The length-N gradient vector with respect to acf, if calc\_dlda = TRUE.

**Method** clone(): The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

*Usage:*

```
NormalToeplitz$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

*Arguments:*

deep Whether to make a deep clone.

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pex\_acf

*Power-exponential autocorrelation function.*

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## Description

Power-exponential autocorrelation function.

## Usage

```
pex_acf(tseq, lambda, rho)
```

## Arguments

tseq	Vector of N time points at which the autocorrelation is to be calculated.
lambda	Timescale parameter.
rho	Power parameter.

## Details

The power-exponential autocorrelation function is given by:

$$\text{ACF}(t) = \exp\{-(t/\lambda)^\rho\}.$$

## Value

An autocorrelation vector of length N.

## Examples

```
pex_acf(tseq = 1:10, lambda = 1, rho = 2)
```

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rnormtz	<i>Simulate a stationary Gaussian time series.</i>
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### Description

Simulate a stationary Gaussian time series.

### Usage

```
rnormtz(n = 1, acf, Z, fft = TRUE, nkeep, tol = 1e-06)
```

### Arguments

n	Number of time series to generate.
acf	Length-N vector giving the autocorrelation of the series.
Z	Optional size $(2N-2) \times n$ or $N \times n$ matrix of iid standard normals, to use in the FFT and Durbin-Levinson methods, respectively.
fft	Logical; whether or not to use the $O(N \log N)$ FFT-based algorithm of Wood and Chan (1994) or the more stable $O(N^2)$ Durbin-Levinson algorithm. See Details.
nkeep	Length of time series. Defaults to $N = \text{length}(\text{acf})$ . See Details.
tol	Relative tolerance on negative eigenvalues. See Details.

### Details

The FFT method fails when the embedding circulant matrix is not positive definite. This is typically due to one of two things:

1. Roundoff error can make tiny eigenvalues appear negative. For this purpose, argument `tol` can be used to replace all negative eigenvalues by `tol * ev_max`, where `ev_max` is the largest eigenvalue.
2. The autocorrelation is decaying too slowly on the given timescale. To mitigate this, argument `nkeep` can be used to supply a longer `acf` than is required, and keep only the first `nkeep` time series observations. For consistency, `nkeep` also applies to Durbin-Levinson method.

### Value

Length-`nkeep` vector or size `nkeep`  $\times$  `n` matrix with time series as columns.

### Examples

```
N <- 10
acf <- exp(-(1:N - 1)/N)
rnormtz(n = 3, acf = acf)
```

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SuperGauss-defunct      *Defunct functions in SuperGauss.*

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### Description

Defunct functions in **SuperGauss**.

### The following functions have been removed from the SuperGauss package

rSnorm() Please use [rnormtz\(\)](#) instead.

dSnorm() Please use [dnormtz\(\)](#) instead.

Snorm.grad() Please use the grad() method in the [NormalToeplitz](#) class.

Snorm.hess() Please use the hess() method in the [NormalToeplitz](#) class.

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toep.mult      *Toeplitz matrix multiplication.*

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### Description

Efficient matrix multiplication with Toeplitz matrix and arbitrary matrix or vector.

### Usage

```
toep.mult(acf, X)
```

### Arguments

acf                      Length-N vector giving the first column (or row) of the Toeplitz matrix.

X                        Vector or matrix of compatible dimensions with acf.

### Value

An N-row matrix corresponding to `toeplitz(acf) %*% X`.

### Examples

```
N <- 20
d <- 3
acf <- exp(-(1:N))
X <- matrix(rnorm(N*d), N, d)
toep.mult(acf, X)
```



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Toeplitz

*Constructor and methods for Toeplitz matrix objects.*

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### Description

The Toeplitz class contains efficient methods for linear algebra with symmetric positive definite (i.e., variance) Toeplitz matrices.

### Usage

```
is.Toeplitz(x)

as.Toeplitz(x)

## S3 method for class 'Toeplitz'
dim(x)
```

### Arguments

x                    An R object.

### Details

An  $N \times N$  Toeplitz matrix  $T_z$  is defined by its length- $N$  "autocorrelation" vector  $acf$ , i.e., first row/column  $T_z$ . Thus, for the function `stats::toeplitz()`, we have  $T_z = \text{toeplitz}(acf)$ .

It is assumed that  $acf$  defines a valid (i.e., positive definite) variance matrix. The matrix multiplication methods still work when this is not the case but the other methods do not (return values typically contain NaNs).

`as.Toeplitz(x)` attempts to convert its argument to a Toeplitz object by calling `Toeplitz$new(acf = x)`. `is.Toeplitz(x)` checks whether its argument is a Toeplitz object.

### Methods

#### Public methods:

- `Toeplitz$new()`
- `Toeplitz$print()`
- `Toeplitz$size()`
- `Toeplitz$set_acf()`
- `Toeplitz$get_acf()`
- `Toeplitz$has_acf()`
- `Toeplitz$prod()`
- `Toeplitz$solve()`
- `Toeplitz$log_det()`
- `Toeplitz$trace_grad()`
- `Toeplitz$trace_hess()`

- [Toeplitz\\$clone\(\)](#)

**Method new():** Class constructor.

*Usage:*

```
Toeplitz$new(N, acf)
```

*Arguments:*

N Size of Toeplitz matrix.

acf Autocorrelation vector of length N.

*Returns:* A Toeplitz object.

**Method print():** Print method.

*Usage:*

```
Toeplitz$print()
```

**Method size():** Get the size of the Toeplitz matrix.

*Usage:*

```
Toeplitz$size()
```

*Returns:* Size of the Toeplitz matrix. [ncol\(\)](#), [nrow\(\)](#), and [dim\(\)](#) methods for Toeplitz objects also work as expected.

**Method set\_acf():** Set the autocorrelation of the Toeplitz matrix.

*Usage:*

```
Toeplitz$set_acf(acf)
```

*Arguments:*

acf Autocorrelation vector of length N.

**Method get\_acf():** Get the autocorrelation of the Toeplitz matrix.

*Usage:*

```
Toeplitz$get_acf()
```

*Returns:* The autocorrelation vector of length N.

**Method has\_acf():** Check whether the autocorrelation of the Toeplitz matrix has been set.

*Usage:*

```
Toeplitz$has_acf()
```

*Returns:* Logical; TRUE if `Toeplitz$set_acf()` has been called.

**Method prod():** Toeplitz matrix-matrix product.

*Usage:*

```
Toeplitz$prod(x)
```

*Arguments:*

x Vector or matrix with N rows.

*Returns:* The matrix product  $Tz \%*\% x$ ,  $Tz \%*\% x$  and  $x \%*\% Tz$  also work as expected.

**Method solve():** Solve a Toeplitz system of equations.

*Usage:*

```
Toeplitz$solve(x, method = c("gschur", "pcg"), tol = 1e-10)
```

*Arguments:*

x Optional vector or matrix with N rows.

method Solve method to use. Choices are: gschur for a modified version of the Generalized Schur algorithm of Ammar & Gragg (1988), or pcg for the preconditioned conjugate gradient method of Chen et al (2006). The former is faster and obtains the log-determinant as a direct biproduct. The latter is more numerically stable for long-memory autocorrelations.

tol Tolerance level for the pcg method.

*Returns:* The solution in z to the system of equations  $Tz \text{ \%*\% } z = x$ . If x is missing, returns the inverse of Tz. solve(Tz, x) and solve(Tz, x, method, tol) also work as expected.

**Method log\_det():** Calculate the log-determinant of the Toeplitz matrix.

*Usage:*

```
Toeplitz$log_det()
```

*Returns:* The log-determinant  $\log(\det(Tz))$ . determinant(Tz) also works as expected.

**Method trace\_grad():** Computes the trace-gradient with respect to Toeplitz matrices.

*Usage:*

```
Toeplitz$trace_grad(acf2)
```

*Arguments:*

acf2 Length-N autocorrelation vector of the second Toeplitz matrix. This matrix must be symmetric but not necessarily positive definite.

*Returns:* Computes the trace of

```
solve(Tz, toeplitz(acf2)).
```

This is used in the computation of the gradient of  $\log(\det(Tz(\theta)))$  with respect to  $\theta$ .

**Method trace\_hess():** Computes the trace-Hessian with respect to Toeplitz matrices.

*Usage:*

```
Toeplitz$trace_hess(acf2, acf3)
```

*Arguments:*

acf2 Length-N autocorrelation vector of the second Toeplitz matrix. This matrix must be symmetric but not necessarily positive definite.

acf3 Length-N autocorrelation vector of the third Toeplitz matrix. This matrix must be symmetric but not necessarily positive definite.

*Returns:* Computes the trace of

```
solve(Tz, toeplitz(acf2)) \%*\% solve(Tz, toeplitz(acf3)).
```

This is used in the computation of the Hessian of  $\log(\det(Tz(\theta)))$  with respect to  $\theta$ .

**Method clone():** The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

*Usage:*

```
Toeplitz$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

*Arguments:*

deep Whether to make a deep clone.

**Examples**

```
# construct a Toeplitz matrix
acf <- exp(-(1:5))
Tz <- Toeplitz$new(acf = acf)
# alternatively, can allocate space first
Tz <- Toeplitz$new(N = length(acf))
Tz$set_acf(acf = acf)

# basic methods
Tz$get_acf() # extract the acf
dim(Tz) # == c(nrow(Tz), ncol(Tz))
Tz # print method

# linear algebra methods
X <- matrix(rnorm(10), 5, 2)
Tz %*% X
t(X) %*% Tz
solve(Tz, X)
determinant(Tz) # log-determinant
```

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