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plgp-package

*Particle Learning of Gaussian Processes*

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## Description

Sequential Monte Carlo inference for fully Bayesian Gaussian process (GP) regression and classification models by particle learning (PL). The sequential nature of inference and the active learning (AL) hooks provided facilitate thrifty sequential design (by entropy) and optimization (by improvement) for classification and regression models, respectively. This package essentially provides a generic PL interface, and functions (arguments to the interface) which implement the GP models and AL heuristics. Functions for a special, linked, regression/classification GP model and an integrated expected conditional improvement (IECI) statistic is provided for optimization in the presence of unknown constraints. Separable and isotropic Gaussian, and single-index correlation functions are supported. See the examples section of `?plgp` and `demo(package="plgp")` for an index of demos

## Details

For a fuller overview including a complete list of functions, and demos, please use `help(package="plgp")`.

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## References

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## See Also

[PL](#), [tgp](#)

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addpall.GP

*Add data to pall*

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## Description

Add sufficient data common to all particles to the global `pall` variable, a mnemonic for “particles-all”, for Gaussian process (GP) regression, classification, or combined unknown constraint models

## Usage

```
addpall.GP(Z)
addpall.CGP(Z)
addpall.ConstGP(Z)
```

## Arguments

`Z` new observation(s) (usually the next one in “time”) to add to the `pall` global variable

## Details

All three functions add new `Z$x` to `pall$x`; `addpall.GP` also adds `Z$y` to `pall$y`, `addpall.CGP` also adds `Z$c` to `pall$y`, and `addpall.ConstGP` does both

## Value

nothing is returned, but global variables are modified

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**References**

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[https://bobby.gramacy.com/r\\_packages/plgp/](https://bobby.gramacy.com/r_packages/plgp/)

**See Also**

[PL](#)

**Examples**

```
## See the demos via demo(package="plgp") and the examples
## section of ?plgp
```

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data.GP

*Supply GP data to PL*

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**Description**

Functions to supply data to PL for Gaussian process (GP) regression, classification, or combined unknown constraint models

**Usage**

```
data.GP(begin, end = NULL, X, Y)
data.GP.improv(begin, end = NULL, f, rect, prior,
               adapt = ei.adapt, cand = 40,
               save = TRUE, oracle = TRUE, verb = 2,
               interp = interp.loess)
data.CGP(begin, end = NULL, X, C)
data.CGP.adapt(begin, end = NULL, f, rect, prior,
               cand = 40, verb = 2, interp=interp.loess)
data.ConstGP(begin, end = NULL, X, Y, C)
data.ConstGP.improv(begin, end = NULL, f, rect, prior,
                    adapt = ieci.const.adapt , cand = 40,
                    save = TRUE, oracle = TRUE, verb = 2,
                    interp = interp.loess)
```

**Arguments**

begin	positive integer starting time for data to be returned
end	positive integer (end >= begin) ending time for data being returned; may be NULL if only data at time begin is needed
X	data.frame with at least end rows containing covariates
Y	vector of length at least end containing real-valued responses
C	vector of length at least end containing class labels
f	function returning a responses when called as $f(X)$ for matrix X; for data.GP.improv the responses must be real-valued returned as a vector; for data.CGP.adapt they must be class labels returned as a vector; for data.ConstGP.improv they must be pairs of real-valued and in {0,1} (1 indicates constraint violation), returned as a 2-column data.frame
rect	bounding rectangle for the inputs X to $f(X)$ with two columns and rows equalling nrow(X)
prior	prior parameters passed from PL generated by one of the prior functions, e.g., prior.GP
adapt	function that evaluates a sequential design criterion on some candidate locations; the default ei.adapt EI about the minimum; ieci.adapt providing IECI is another possibility, which is hard coded into data.ConstGP.adapt
cands	number of Latin Hypercube candidate locations used to choose the next adaptively sampled input design point
save	scalar logical indicating if the improvement information for chosen candidate should be saved in the psave global variable
oracle	scalar logical indicating if the candidates should be augmented with the point found to maximize the predictive surface (with a search starting at the most recently chosen input)
verb	verbosity level for printing the progress of improv and other adaptive sampling calculations
interp	function for smoothing of 2-d image plots. The default comes from interp.loess, but what works best is interp which requires the <b>interp</b> or <b>akima</b> package

**Details**

These functions provide data to PL for Gaussian progress regression and classification methods in a variety of ways. The simplest, data.GP and data.CGP supply pre-recorded regression and classification data stored in data frames and vectors; data.ConstGP is a hybrid that does joint regression and classification. The other functions provide data by active learning/sequential design:

The data.GP.improv function uses expected improvement (EI); data.CGP.improv uses predictive entropy; data.ConstGP.improv uses integrated expected conditional improvement (IECI). In these cases, once the x-location(s) is/are chosen, the function f is used to provide the response(s)

**Value**

The output are vectors or data.frames.

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**See Also**

[PL](#)

**Examples**

```
## See the demos via demo(package="plgp") and the examples
## section of ?plgp
```

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draw.GP

*Metropolis-Hastings draw for GP parameters*

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**Description**

Functions for using Metropolis-Hastings (MH) to evolve a particle according to the posterior distribution given by a Gaussian process (GP) for regression, classification, or combined unknown constraint model

**Usage**

```
draw.GP(Zt, prior, l = 3, h = 4, thin = 10, Y = NULL)
draw.CGP(Zt, prior, l = 3, h = 4, thin = 10)
draw.ConstGP(Zt, prior, l = 3, h = 4, thin = 10)
```

**Arguments**

Zt	the particle describing model parameters and sufficient statistics that determines the predictive distribution
prior	prior parameters passed from <a href="#">PL</a> generated by one of the prior functions, e.g., <a href="#">prior.GP</a>

l	positive uniform random walk parameter; for old parameter pold, a new parameter is proposed as $p = \text{runif}(1, p*1/h, p*h/1)$ . Such proposals are then accepted (or rejected) via the MH acceptance ratio
h	positive uniform random walk parameter; see above
thin	thinning level in the MCMC; describes the number of MH rounds executed before the value is saved as a sample from the (marginal) posterior distribution
Y	not for external use; used internally by CGP and ConstGP internal routines

### Details

These functions are used in two important places in **plgp**. At the user level, they can be used to initialize the particles at time start; see [PL](#) and the demos. Internally, they are used in the [PL](#) propagate step, e.g., [propagate.GP](#)

draw.ConstGP is a combination of the draw.GP and draw.CGP methods, which are for regression and classification GPs, respectively

### Value

These functions return an updated particle  $Z_t$

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### References

Gramacy, R. and Polson, N. (2011). “Particle learning of Gaussian process models for sequential design and optimization.” *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics*, 20(1), pp. 102-118; [arXiv:0909.5262](https://arxiv.org/abs/0909.5262)

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### See Also

[init.GP](#), [propagate.GP](#), [PL](#)

### Examples

```
## See the demos via demo(package="plgp") and the examples
## section of ?plgp
```

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`exp2d.C`*2-d Exponential Hessian Data*

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**Description**

Generates 2-d classification data with two or three class labels, based on the Hessian data from a 2-d real-valued response

**Usage**

```
exp2d.C(X, threed = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

<code>X</code>	a <code>matrix</code> or <code>data.frame</code> describing the design at which the response categories are desired
<code>threed</code>	a scalar <code>logical</code> indicating if the two or three-class version of the class labels should be returned.

**Details**

The underlying real-valued response is governed by

$$Z(X) = x_1 * \exp(x_1^2 - x_2^2).$$

Two class labels are generated by inspecting the sign of the sum of the eigenvalues of the Hessian (Broderick & Gramacy, 2010). This generates the first (-) and second (+) classes in a three-class function. A third class label (the default) may be created from the first one where  $X[, 1] > 0$  (Gramacy & Polson, 2011)

**Value**

A vector of class labels of length `nrow(X)` is returned

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**References**

Broderick, T. and Gramacy, R. (2010). "Classification and categorical inputs with treed Gaussian process models." Tech. rep., University of Cambridge. ArXiv:0904.4891.

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**Examples**

```
## The following demos use this data
## Not run:
## Illustrates classification GPs on a simple 2-d exponential
## data generating mechanism
demo("plcgp_exp", ask=FALSE)

## Illustrates active learning via entropy with classification
## GPs on a simple 2-d exponential data generating mechanism
demo("plcgp_exp_entropy", ask=FALSE)

## End(Not run)
```

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init.GP	<i>Initialize particles for GPs</i>
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**Description**

Functions for initializing particles for Gaussian process (GP) regression, classification, or combined unknown constraint models

**Usage**

```
init.GP(prior, d = NULL, g = NULL, Y = NULL)
init.CGP(prior, d = NULL, g = NULL)
init.ConstGP(prior)
```

**Arguments**

prior	prior parameters passed from <a href="#">PL</a> generated by one of the prior functions, e.g., <a href="#">prior.GP</a>
d	initial range (or length-scale) parameter(s) for the GP correlation function(s)
g	initial nugget parameter for the GP correlation
Y	data used to update GP sufficient information in the case of <code>init.GP</code> ; if NULL then <code>call\$Y</code> is used

**Value**

Returns a particle for internal use in the [PL](#) method

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## References

- Gramacy, R. and Polson, N. (2011). “Particle learning of Gaussian process models for sequential design and optimization.” *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics*, 20(1), pp. 102-118; arXiv:0909.5262
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## See Also

[PL](#), [draw.GP](#)

## Examples

```
## See the demos via demo(package="plgp") and the examples
## section of ?plgp
```

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lpredprob.GP

*Log-Predictive Probability Calculation for GPs*

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## Description

Log-predictive probability calculation for Gaussian process (GP) regression, classification, or combined unknown constraint models; primarily to be used particle learning (PL) re-sample step

## Usage

```
lpredprob.GP(z, Zt, prior)
lpredprob.CGP(z, Zt, prior)
lpredprob.ConstGP(z, Zt, prior)
```

## Arguments

z	new observation whose (log) predictive probability is to be calculated given the particle Zt
Zt	the particle describing model parameters and sufficient statistics that determines the predictive distribution
prior	prior parameters passed from <a href="#">PL</a> generated by one of the prior functions, e.g., <a href="#">prior.GP</a>

## Details

This is the workhorse of the `PL` re-sample step. For each new observation (in sequence), the `PL` function calls `lpredprob` and these values determine the weights used in the `sample` function to obtain the new particle set, which is then propagated, e.g., using `propagate.GP`

The `lpredprob.ConstGP` is essentially the combination (product) of `lpredprob.GP` and `lpredprob.CGP` for regression and classification GP models, respectively

## Value

Returns a real-valued scalar - the log predictive probability

## Author(s)

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## References

Gramacy, R. and Polson, N. (2011). "Particle learning of Gaussian process models for sequential design and optimization." *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics*, 20(1), pp. 102-118; [arXiv:0909.5262](https://arxiv.org/abs/0909.5262)

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## See Also

`PL`, `propagate.GP`

## Examples

```
## See the demos via demo(package="plgp") and the examples
## section of ?plgp
```

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papply

*Extending apply to particles*

---

## Description

Applies a user-specified function to each particle contained in the global variables `peach` and `pall`, collecting the output in a `data.frame`

## Usage

```
papply(fun, verb = 1, pre = "", ...)
```

### Arguments

fun	a user-defined function which which takes a particle as its first input; the output of fun should be a vector, matrix or data.frame
verb	a scalar logical indicating whether progress statements should be printed to the screen
pre	an optional character prefix used in the progress print statements; ignored if verb = 0
...	these ellipses arguments are used to pass extra optional arguments to the user-supplied function fun

### Details

This is a extension to the built-in `apply` family of function to particles, intended to be used with the particles created by `PL`. Perhaps the most common use of this function is in obtaining samples form the posterior predictive distribution, i.e., with the user supplied fun = `pred.GP`

The particles applied over must be present in the global variables `pa11`, containing sufficient information common to all particles, `peach`, containing sufficient information particular to each particle, as constructed by `PL`

### Value

Returns a data frame with the collected output of the user-specified function fun

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### References

Carvalho, C., Johannes, M., Lopes, H., and Polson, N. (2008). "Particle Learning and Smoothing." Discussion Paper 2008-32, Duke University Dept. of Statistical Science.

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### See Also

`PL`, `pred.GP`

### Examples

```
## See the demos via demo(package="plgp") and the examples
## section of ?plgp
```

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`params.GP`*Extract parameters from GP particles*

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**Description**

Extract parameters from particles for Gaussian process (GP) regression, classification, or combined unknown constraint models

**Usage**

```
params.GP()  
params.CGP()  
params.ConstGP()
```

**Details**

Collects the parameters from each of the particles (contained in the global variable `peach`) into a [data.frame](#) that can be used for quick [summary](#) and visualization, e.g., via [hist](#). These functions are also called to make progress visualizations in [PL](#)

**Value**

returns a `data.frame` containing summaries for each parameter in its columns

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**References**

Gramacy, R. and Polson, N. (2011). "Particle learning of Gaussian process models for sequential design and optimization." *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics*, 20(1), pp. 102-118; [arXiv:0909.5262](https://arxiv.org/abs/0909.5262)

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[https://bobby.gramacy.com/r\\_packages/plgp/](https://bobby.gramacy.com/r_packages/plgp/)

**See Also**

[PL](#), [lpredprob.GP](#), [propagate.GP](#), [init.GP](#), [pred.GP](#)

**Examples**

```
## See the demos via demo(package="plgp") and the examples  
## section of ?plgp
```

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 PL *Particle Learning Skeleton Method*


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**Description**

Implements the Particle Learning sequential Monte Carlo algorithm on the data sequence provided, using re-sample and propagate steps

**Usage**

```
PL(dstream, start, end, init, lpredprob, propagate, prior = NULL,
  addpall = NULL, params = NULL, save = NULL, P = 100,
  progress = 10, cont = FALSE, verb = 1)
```

**Arguments**

dstream	function generating the data stream; for examples see <a href="#">data.GP</a>
start	a scalar integer specifying the starting “time”; the data entry/sample where PL will start
end	a scalar integer specifying the ending “time”; the data entry/sample where PL will stop
init	function used to initialize the particles at the start of PL; for examples see <a href="#">draw.GP</a>
lpredprob	function used to calculate the predictive probability of an observation (usually the next one in “time”) given a particle. This is the primary function used in the PL re-sample step; for examples see <a href="#">lpredprob.GP</a>
propagate	function used to propagate particles given an observation (usually the next one in “time”); for examples see <a href="#">propagate.GP</a>
prior	function used to generate prior parameters that may be passed into the dstream, init, lpredprob and propagate functions as needed; for examples see <a href="#">prior.GP</a>
addpall	an optional function that adds the new observation (usually the next one in “time”) to the pall variable in the PL.env environment (i.e., PL.env\$pall), which stores the sufficient information shared by all particles; for examples see <a href="#">addpall.GP</a>
params	an optional function called each progress rounds that collects parameters from the particles for summary and visualization; for examples see <a href="#">params.GP</a>
save	an option function that is called every round to save some information about the particles
P	number of particles to use
progress	number of PL rounds after which to collect params and draws histograms; a non-positive value or params = NULL skips the progress meter
cont	if TRUE then PL will try to use the existing set of particles to “continue” where it left off; start and end should be specified appropriately when continuing
verb	if nonzero, then screen prints will indicate the proportion of PL updates finished so far; verb = 1 will cause PL to pause on progress drawings for inspection

## Details

Uses the PL SMC algorithm via the functions provided. This function is just a skeleton framework. The hard work is in specifying the arguments/functions which execute the calculations needed in the re-sample and propagate steps.

PL and uses the variables stored in the `PL.env` environment: `pa11`, containing sufficient information common to all particles, `peach`, containing sufficient information particular to each of the `P` particles, and `psave` containing any saved information. These variables may be accessed as `PL.env$psave`, for example.

Note that PL is designed to be fast for sequential updating (of GPs) when new data arrive. This facilitates efficient sequential design of experiments by active learning techniques, e.g., optimization by expected improvement and sequential exploration of classification label boundaries by the predictive entropy. PL is not optimized for static inference when all of the data arrive at once, in batch

## Value

PL modifies the `PL.env$peach` variable, containing sufficient information particular to each (of the `P`) particles

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## References

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## See Also

[papply](#), [draw.GP](#), [data.GP](#), [lpredprob.GP](#), [propagate.GP](#), [params.GP](#), [pred.GP](#)

## Examples

```
## See the demos via demo(package="plgp"); it is important to
## run them with the ask=FALSE argument so that the
## automatically generated plots may refresh automatically
## (without requiring the user to press RETURN)
```

```

## Not run:
## Illustrates regression GPs on a simple 1-d sinusoidal
## data generating mechanism
demo("plgp_sin1d", ask=FALSE)

## Illustrates classification GPs on a simple 2-d exponential
## data generating mechanism
demo("plcgp_exp", ask=FALSE)

## Illustrates classification GPs on Ripley's Cushings data
demo("plcgp_cush", ask=FALSE)

## Illustrates active learning via the expected improvement
## statistic on a simple 1-d data generating mechanism
demo("plgp_exp_ei", ask=FALSE)

## Illustrates active learning via entropy with classification
## GPs on a simple 2-d exponential data generating mechanism
demo("plcgp_exp_entropy", ask=FALSE)

## Illustrates active learning via the integrated expected
## conditional improvement statistic for optimization
## under known constraints on a simple 1-d data generating
## mechanism
demo("plgp_1d_ieci", ask=FALSE)

## Illustrates active learning via the integrated expected
## conditional improvement statistic for optimization under
## unknown constraints on a simple 1-d data generating
## mechanism
demo("plconstgp_1d_ieci", ask=FALSE)

## Illustrates active learning via the integrated expected
## conditional improvement statistic for optimization under
## unknown constraints on a simple 2-d data generating
## mechanism
demo("plconstgp_2d_ieci", ask=FALSE)

## End(Not run)

```

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pred.GP

*Prediction for GPs*

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### **Description**

Prediction on a per-particle basis for Gaussian process (GP) regression, classification, or combined unknown constraint models

**Usage**

```

pred.GP(XX, Zt, prior, Y = NULL, quants = FALSE, Sigma = FALSE,
        sub = 1:Zt$t)
pred.CGP(XX, Zt, prior, mcrops = 100, cs = NULL)
pred.ConstGP(XX, Zt, prior, quants = TRUE)

```

**Arguments**

XX	matrix or data.frame containing (a design of) predictive locations where <code>ncol(XX) = ncol(X)</code> , on which the data were trained and particle <code>Zt</code> thus obtained
Zt	the particle describing model parameters and sufficient statistics that determines the predictive distribution
prior	prior parameters passed from <code>PL</code> generated by one of the prior functions, e.g., <code>prior.GP</code>
Y	not for external use; used internally by <code>CGP</code> and <code>ConstGP</code> internal routines
quants	a scalar logical indicating if predictive quantiles should be are desired
Sigma	a scalar logical indicating if the full predictive variance-covariance matrix is desired; typically only used internally by <code>CGP</code> and <code>ConstGP</code>
sub	not for external used; used internally by <code>CGP</code> and <code>ConstGP</code> internal routines
mcrops	number of Monte Carlo iterations used in <code>CGP</code> prediction, integrating over the latent real-valued <code>Y</code> variables at the <code>XX</code> locations
cs	indicates a class label at which the predictive probability is desired; the entire probability distribution over all class labels will be provided if not specified

**Details**

For `pred.GP` the predictive mean (and quantiles if `quants = TRUE` is provided. For `pred.CGP` the predictive distribution over the class labels is provided, unless only one class (`cs`) is desired. `pred.ConstGP` is a combination of the `pred.GP` and `pred.CGP` methods

It is suggested that this function is used in as an argument to `papply` to obtain many predictions - one for each particle in a cloud - which are combined into a `data.frame`

Some of the function arguments aren't meant to be specified by the user, but are rather there to facilitate usage as a subroutine inside other `PL` functions, such as `lpredprob.GP` and others

**Value**

A single-row `data.frame` is returned with the desired predictive; these rows are automatically combined when used with `papply`

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## See Also

[papply](#), [PL](#), [lpredprob.GP](#)

## Examples

```
## See the demos via demo(package="plgp") and the examples
## section of ?plgp
```

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prior.GP

*Generate priors for GP models*

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## Description

Generate priors for Gaussian process (GP) regression, classification, or combined unknown constraint models

## Usage

```
prior.GP(m, cov = c("isotropic", "separable", "sim"))
prior.CGP(m, cov = c("isotropic", "separable", "sim"))
prior.ConstGP(m, cov.GP = c("isotropic", "separable", "sim"),
              cov.CGP = cov.GP)
```

## Arguments

m	positive scalar integer specifying the dimensionality of the input space
cov	whether to use an "isotropic" or "separable" power exponential correlation function with power 2 – nugget included; a single index model ("sim") capability is provided as "beta" functionality; applies to both regression and classification GPs
cov.GP	specifies the covariance for the real-valued response in the combined unknown constraint GP model
cov.CGP	specifies the covariance for the categorical response in the combined unknown constraint GP model

## Details

These function generate a default prior object in the correct format for use with the other PL routines, e.g., `init.GP` and `pred.GP`. The object returned may be modified as necessary.

The `prior.ConstGP` is essentially the combination of `prior.GP` and `prior.CGP` for regression and classification GP models, respectively

## Value

a valid prior object for the appropriate GP model;

By making the output `$drate` and/or `$grate` values negative causes the corresponding lengthscale `d` parameter(s) and nugget `d` parameter to be fixed at the reciprocal of their absolute values, respectively. This effectively turns off inference for these values, and allows one to study the GP predictive distribution as a function of fixed values. When both are fixed it is sensible to use only one particle (`P=1`, as an argument to `PL`)

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## References

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[https://bobby.gramacy.com/r\\_packages/plgp/](https://bobby.gramacy.com/r_packages/plgp/)

## See Also

`PL`, `lpredprob.GP`, `propagate.GP`, `init.GP`, `pred.GP`

## Examples

```
## See the demos via demo(package="plgp") and the examples
## section of ?plgp
```

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propagate.GP

*PL propagate rule for GPs*


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### Description

Incorporation of a new data point for Gaussian process (GP) regression, classification, or combined unknown constraint models; primarily to be used particle learning (PL) propagate step

### Usage

```
propagate.GP(z, Zt, prior)
propagate.CGP(z, Zt, prior)
propagate.ConstGP(z, Zt, prior)
```

### Arguments

<code>z</code>	new observation whose to be incorporate into the particle <code>Zt</code>
<code>Zt</code>	the particle describing model parameters and sufficient statistics that the new data is being incorporated into
<code>prior</code>	prior parameters passed from <a href="#">PL</a> generated by one of the prior functions, e.g., <a href="#">prior.GP</a>

### Details

This is the workhorse of the [PL](#) propagate step. After re-sampling the particles, [PL](#) calls `propagate` on each of the particles to obtain the set used in the next round/time-step

The `propagate.ConstGP` is essentially the combination of `propagate.GP` and `propagate.CGP` for regression and classification GP models, respectively

### Value

These functions return a new particle with the new observation incorporated

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### References

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### See Also

[PL](#), [lpredprob.GP](#)

### Examples

```
## See the demos via demo(package="plgp") and the examples
## section of ?plgp
```

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rectscale	<i>Un/Scale data in a bounding rectangle</i>
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### Description

Scale data lying in an arbitrary rectangle to lie in the unit rectangle, and back again

### Usage

```
rectscale(X, rect)
rectunscale(X, rect)
```

### Arguments

X	a matrix or data.frame of real-valued covariates
rect	a matrix describing a bounding rectangle for X with 2 columns and ncol(X) rows

### Value

a matrix or data.frame with the same dimensions as X scaled or un-scaled as appropriate

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### References

[https://bobby.gramacy.com/r\\_packages/plgp/](https://bobby.gramacy.com/r_packages/plgp/)

### Examples

```
X <- matrix(runif(10, 1, 3), ncol=2)
rect <- rbind(c(1,3), c(1,3))
Xs <- rectscale(X, rect)
rectunscale(Xs, rect)
```

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