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```
convert_cartesian_to_spherical
```

                                    Converts Cartesian to Spherical Coordinates.
    
## Description

The Cartesian coordinates of points on a 3-dimensional sphere with unit radius and center at the origin are converted to the equivalent longitude and latitude coordinates, measured in radians.

## Usage

convert_cartesian_to_spherical(cartesian_coords)

## Arguments

cartesian_coords
A matrix whose rows contain the Cartesian coordinates of the specified points.

## Value

A matrix of rows containing the longitude and latitude of specific points on a 3-dimensional sphere.

## See Also

http://mathworld.wolfram.com/SphericalCoordinates.html.
Other Conversion functions: convert_spherical_to_cartesian()

## Examples

```
library(nprotreg)
# Define the Cartesian coordinates of the North and South Poles.
north_pole <- cbind(0, 0, 1)
south_pole <- cbind(0, 0, -1)
cartesian_coords <- rbind(north_pole, south_pole)
# Get the corresponding Spherical coordinates.
spherical_coords <- convert_cartesian_to_spherical(cartesian_coords)
```

```
convert_spherical_to_cartesian
    Converts Spherical to Cartesian Coordinates.
```


## Description

The longitude and latitude coordinates of points on a 3-dimensional sphere with unit radius and center at the origin are converted to the equivalent Cartesian coordinates.

## Usage

convert_spherical_to_cartesian(spherical_coords)

## Arguments

spherical_coords
A matrix of rows containing the longitude and latitude, measured in radians, of specific points on a 3-dimensional sphere.

## Value

A matrix whose rows contain the Cartesian coordinates of the specified points.

## See Also

http://mathworld.wolfram.com/SphericalCoordinates.html.
Other Conversion functions: convert_cartesian_to_spherical()

## Examples

```
library(nprotreg)
    # Define the Spherical coordinates of the North and South Poles.
    north_pole <- cbind(0, pi / 2)
    south_pole <- cbind(0, - pi / 2)
    spherical_coords <- rbind(north_pole, south_pole)
    # Get the corresponding Cartesian coordinates.
    cartesian_coords <- convert_spherical_to_cartesian(spherical_coords)
```

cross_validate_concentration

Cross-validates The Concentration Parameter In A 3D Spherical Regression.

## Description

Returns a cross-validated value for the concentration parameter in a 3D regression, relating specific explanatory points to response ones, given a weighting scheme for the observed data set. This function supports the method for sphere-sphere regression proposed by Di Marzio et al. (2018).

## Usage

cross_validate_concentration(
concentration_upper_bound = 10,
explanatory_points,
response_points,
weights_generator = weight_explanatory_points,
number_of_expansion_terms = 1,
number_of_iterations = 1,
allow_reflections = FALSE
)

## Arguments

concentration_upper_bound
A scalar numeric value representing the upper end-point of the interval to be searched for the required minimizer. Defaults to 10.
explanatory_points
An $m$-by- 3 matrix whose rows contain the Cartesian coordinates of the explanatory points used to calculate the regression estimators.
response_points
An $m$-by- 3 matrix whose rows contain the Cartesian coordinates of the response points corresponding to the explanatory points.
weights_generator
A function that, given a matrix of $n$ evaluation points, returns an $m$-by- $n$ matrix whose $j$-th column contains the weights assigned to the explanatory points while analyzing the $j$-th evaluation point. Defaults to weight_explanatory_points.
number_of_expansion_terms
The number of terms to be included in the expansion of the matrix exponential applied while approximating a local rotation matrix. Must be 1 or 2. Defaults to 1.
number_of_iterations
The number of rotation fitting steps to be executed. At each step, the points estimated during the previous step are exploited as the current explanatory points. Defaults to 1 .
allow_reflections
A logical scalar value. If set to TRUE signals that reflections are allowed. Defaults to FALSE. It is ignored if number_of_expansion_terms is 2.

## Details

Function weights_generator must be prototyped as having the following three arguments:
evaluation_points a matrix whose $n$ rows are the Cartesian coordinates of given evaluation points.
explanatory_points a matrix whose $m$ rows are the Cartesian coordinates of given explanatory points.
concentration A non negative scalar whose reciprocal value is proportional to the bandwidth applied while estimating a spherical regression model.

It is also expected that weights_generator will return a non NULL numerical $m$-by- $n$ matrix whose $j$-th column contains the weights assigned to the explanatory points while analyzing the $j$-th evaluation point.

## Value

A list having two components, concentration, a scalar, numeric value representing the crossvalidated concentration for the specified 3D regression, and objective, the value of the crossvalidating objective function at argument concentration.

## References

Marco Di Marzio, Agnese Panzera \& Charles C. Taylor (2018) Nonparametric rotations for spheresphere regression, Journal of the American Statistical Association, DOI: 10.1080/01621459.2017.1421542

## See Also

Other Regression functions: fit_regression(), get_equally_spaced_points(), get_skew_symmetric_matrix(), simulate_regression(), simulate_rigid_regression(), weight_explanatory_points()

## Examples

```
library(nprotreg)
# Define a matrix of explanatory points.
number_of_explanatory_points <- 50
explanatory_points <- get_equally_spaced_points(
    number_of_explanatory_points)
# Define a matrix of response points by simulation.
local_rotation_composer <- function(point) {
    independent_components <- (1 / 2) *
        c(exp(2.0 * point[3]), - exp(2.0 * point[2]), exp(2.0 * point[1]))
```

\}
local_error_sampler <- function(point) \{ rnorm(3)
\}
response_points <- simulate_regression(explanatory_points, local_rotation_composer, local_error_sampler)
\# Define an upper bound for concentration.
concentration_upper_bound <- 1
\# Use default weights generator.
weights_generator <- weight_explanatory_points
\# Cross-validate concentration parameter.
cv_info <- cross_validate_concentration( concentration_upper_bound, explanatory_points, response_points,
weights_generator,
number_of_expansion_terms = 1,
number_of_iterations = 2,
allow_reflections = FALSE
)
\# Get the cross-validated concentration value
cat("cross-validated concentration value: $\backslash n "$ "
print(cv_info\$concentration)

## Description

The exponential of a skew-symmetric matrix is computed by means of the Rodrigues' formula.

## Usage

expm(skew_symmetric_matrix)

## Arguments

skew_symmetric_matrix
A 3-by-3 skew-symmetric matrix.

## Value

A 3-by-3 rotation matrix representing the exponential of the specified skew-symmetric matrix.
fit_regression Fits a $3 D$ Spherical Regression.

## Description

Returns 3D spherical points obtained by locally rotating the specified evaluation points, given an approximated model for local rotations and a weighting scheme for the observed data set. This function implements the method for sphere-sphere regression proposed by Di Marzio et al. (2018).

## Usage

fit_regression(
evaluation_points,
explanatory_points,
response_points,
concentration,
weights_generator = weight_explanatory_points,
number_of_expansion_terms $=1$,
number_of_iterations = 1,
allow_reflections = FALSE
)

## Arguments

evaluation_points
An $n$-by- 3 matrix whose rows contain the Cartesian coordinates of the points at which the regression will be estimated.
explanatory_points
An $m$-by- 3 matrix whose rows contain the Cartesian coordinates of the explanatory points used to calculate the regression estimators.
response_points
An $m$-by- 3 matrix whose rows contain the Cartesian coordinates of the response points corresponding to the explanatory points.
concentration A non negative scalar whose reciprocal value is proportional to the bandwidth applied while estimating a spherical regression model.
weights_generator
A function that, given a matrix of $n$ evaluation points, returns an $m$-by- $n$ matrix whose $j$-th column contains the weights assigned to the explanatory points while analyzing the $j$-th evaluation point. Defaults to weight_explanatory_points.
number_of_expansion_terms
The number of terms to be included in the expansion of the matrix exponential applied while approximating a local rotation matrix. Must be 1 or 2. Defaults to 1.
number_of_iterations
The number of rotation fitting steps to be executed. At each step, the points estimated during the previous step are exploited as the current explanatory points. Defaults to 1 .
allow_reflections
A logical scalar value. If set to TRUE signals that reflections are allowed. Defaults to FALSE. It is ignored if number_of_expansion_terms is 2.

## Details

Function weights_generator must be prototyped as having the following three arguments:
evaluation_points a matrix whose $n$ rows are the Cartesian coordinates of given evaluation points.
explanatory_points a matrix whose $m$ rows are the Cartesian coordinates of given explanatory points.
concentration A non negative scalar whose reciprocal value is proportional to the bandwidth applied while estimating a spherical regression model.

It is also expected that weights_generator will return a non NULL numerical $m$-by- $n$ matrix whose $j$-th column contains the weights assigned to the explanatory points while analyzing the $j$-th evaluation point.

## Value

A number_of_iterations-length vector of lists, with the s-th list having two components, fitted_response_points, an $n$-by- 3 matrix whose rows contain the Cartesian coordinates of the fitted points at iteration $s$, and explanatory_points, an $m$-by- 3 matrix whose rows contain the Cartesian coordinates of the points exploited as explanatory at iteration s.

## References

Marco Di Marzio, Agnese Panzera \& Charles C. Taylor (2018) Nonparametric rotations for spheresphere regression, Journal of the American Statistical Association, DOI: 10.1080/01621459.2017.1421542

## See Also

Other Regression functions: cross_validate_concentration(), get_equally_spaced_points(), get_skew_symmetric_matrix(), simulate_regression(), simulate_rigid_regression(), weight_explanatory_po

## Examples

```
library(nprotreg)
# Create 100 equally spaced design points on the sphere.
number_of_explanatory_points <- 100
explanatory_points <- get_equally_spaced_points(
    number_of_explanatory_points
)
```

```
# Define the regression model, where the rotation for a given "point"
# is obtained from the exponential of a skew-symmetric matrix with the
# following components.
local_rotation_composer <- function(point) {
    independent_components <- (1 / 8) *
        c(exp(2.0 * point[3]), - exp(2.0 * point[2]), exp(2.0 * point[1]))
}
# Define an error term given by a small rotation, similarly defined
# from a skew-symmetric matrix with random entries.
local_error_sampler <- function(point) {
    rnorm(3, sd = .01)
}
# Generate the matrix of responses, using the regression model
# and the error model.
response_points <- simulate_regression(
    explanatory_points,
    local_rotation_composer,
    local_error_sampler
)
# Create some "test data" for which the response will be predicted.
evaluation_points <- rbind(
    cbind(.5, 0, .8660254),
    cbind(-.5, 0, .8660254),
    cbind(1, 0, 0),
    cbind(0, 1, 0),
    cbind(-1, 0, 0),
    cbind(0, -1, 0),
    cbind(.5, 0, -.8660254),
    cbind(-.5, 0, -.8660254)
)
# Define a weight function for nonparametric fit.
weights_generator <- weight_explanatory_points
# Set the concentration parameter.
concentration <- 5
# Or obtain this by cross-validation: see
# the `cross_validate_concentration' function.
# Fit regression.
fitted_model <- fit_regression(
```

```
    evaluation_points,
    explanatory_points,
    response_points,
    concentration,
    weights_generator,
    number_of_expansion_terms = 1,
    number_of_iterations = 2
)
# Extract the point corresponding to the
# second evaluation point fitted at
# the first iteration.
cat("Point fitted at iteration 1 corresponding to the second evaluation point: \n")
cat(fitted_model[[1]]$fitted_response_points[2, ], "\n")
## Not run:
# Create some plots to view the results.
# 3D plot.
library(rgl)
plot3d(
    explanatory_points,
    type = "n",
    xlab = "x",
    ylab = "y",
    zlab = "z",
    box = TRUE,
    axes = TRUE
)
spheres3d(0, 0, 0, radius = 1, lit = FALSE, color = "white")
spheres3d(0, 0, 0, radius = 1.01, lit = FALSE, color = "black", front = "culled")
text3d(c(0, 0, 1), text = "N", adj = 0)
11 <- 10
vv1 <- (ll - (0:(ll))) / ll
vv2 <- 1 - vv1
plot3d(explanatory_points, add = TRUE, col = 2)
for (i in 1:dim(explanatory_points)[1]) {
    m <- outer(vv1, explanatory_points[i,], "*") +
        outer(vv2, response_points[i,], "*")
    m <- m / sqrt(apply(m ^ 2, 1, sum))
    lines3d(m, col = 3)
}
plot3d(evaluation_points, add = TRUE, col = 4)
for (i in 1:dim(evaluation_points)[1]) {
    m <- outer(vv1, evaluation_points[i,], "*") +
        outer(vv2, fitted_model[[1]]$fitted_response_points[i,], "*")
    m <- m / sqrt(apply(m ^ 2, 1, sum))
```

```
    lines3d(m, col = 1)
}
# 2D plot.
explanatory_spherical_coords <- convert_cartesian_to_spherical(explanatory_points)
response_spherical_coords <- convert_cartesian_to_spherical(response_points)
plot(
    x = explanatory_spherical_coords[, 1],
    y = explanatory_spherical_coords[, 2],
    pch = 20,
    cex = .7,
    col = 2,
    xlab = "longitude",
    ylab = "latitude"
)
for (i in 1:dim(explanatory_spherical_coords)[1]) {
    column <- 1
    if ((explanatory_spherical_coords[i, 1] - response_spherical_coords[i, 1]) ^ 2 +
        (explanatory_spherical_coords[i, 2] - response_spherical_coords[i, 2]) ^ 2 > 4)
            column <- "grey"
    lines(
        c(explanatory_spherical_coords[i, 1], response_spherical_coords[i, 1]),
        c(explanatory_spherical_coords[i, 2], response_spherical_coords[i, 2]),
        col = column
    )
}
evaluation_spherical_coords <- convert_cartesian_to_spherical(
    evaluation_points
)
fitted_response_spherical_coords <- convert_cartesian_to_spherical(
    fitted_model[[1]]$fitted_response_points
)
points(
    x = evaluation_spherical_coords[, 1],
    y = evaluation_spherical_coords[, 2],
    pch = 20,
    cex = .7,
    col = 4
)
for (i in 1:dim(evaluation_spherical_coords)[1]) {
    column <- 3
    if ((evaluation_spherical_coords[i, 1] - fitted_response_spherical_coords[i, 1]) ^ 2 +
        (evaluation_spherical_coords[i, 2] - fitted_response_spherical_coords[i, 2]) ^ 2 > 4)
            column <- "grey"
    lines(
        c(evaluation_spherical_coords[i, 1], fitted_response_spherical_coords[i, 1]),
```

```
        c(evaluation_spherical_coords[i, 2], fitted_response_spherical_coords[i, 2]),
        col = column
    )
}
## End(Not run)
```

```
get_equally_spaced_points
```

Generates Equally Spaced Points On A 3D Sphere.

## Description

Generates points approximately equally spaced on a 3D sphere.

## Usage

```
get_equally_spaced_points(number_of_points)
```


## Arguments

number_of_points
A scalar, positive integer representing the number of points to get.

## Value

A number_of_points-by-3 matrix whose rows contain the Cartesian coordinates of the equally spaced points.

## See Also

Other Regression functions: cross_validate_concentration(), fit_regression(), get_skew_symmetric_matrix(), simulate_regression(), simulate_rigid_regression(), weight_explanatory_points()

## Examples

```
library(nprotreg)
# Define the number of points to get.
number_of_points <- 5
# Get the Cartesian coordinates of the equally spaced points.
equally_spaced_points <- get_equally_spaced_points(number_of_points)
```

```
get_skew_symmetric_matrix
```

Gets a 3-by-3 Skew Symmetric Matrix.

## Description

Returns the 3-by-3 skew symmetric matrix having the specified independent components.

## Usage

get_skew_symmetric_matrix(independent_components)

## Arguments

independent_components
A vector containing the independent components of the matrix to get.

## Details

Given a vector of components, say $[x, y, z]$, this function will return matrix

| 0 | $-z$ | $y$ |
| ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $z$ | 0 | $-x$ |
| $-y$ | $x$ | 0 |

## Value

The 3-by-3 skew symmetric matrix corresponding to the specified independent components.

## See Also

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Skew-symmetric_matrix.
Other Regression functions: cross_validate_concentration(), fit_regression(), get_equally_spaced_points(), simulate_regression(), simulate_rigid_regression(), weight_explanatory_points()

## Examples

library(nprotreg)
\# Define a vector of independent components.
independent_components <- cbind(1, 2, 3)
\# Get the corresponding 3-by-3 skew symmetric matrix.
m <- get_skew_symmetric_matrix(independent_components)
logm Computes the Logarithm of a 3D Rotation Matrix.

## Description

Computes the Logarithm of a 3D Rotation Matrix.

## Usage

logm(rotation_matrix)

## Arguments

rotation_matrix
A 3-by-3 rotation matrix.

## Value

A 3-by-3 skew-symmetric matrix representing the logarithm of the specified rotation matrix.

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\text { nprotreg } \quad \text { nprotreg: Nonparametric Rotations for Sphere-Sphere Regression. }
$$

## Description

The nprotreg package provides several categories of functions.

## Regression functions

Regression functions provide support for simulating and fitting 3-dimensional spherical regression models.

- cross_validate_concentration
- fit_regression
- get_equally_spaced_points
- get_skew_symmetric_matrix
- simulate_regression
- simulate_rigid_regression
- weight_explanatory_points


## Conversion functions

Conversion functions transform coordinates of points on a 3-dimensional sphere with unit radius and center at the origin.

- convert_cartesian_to_spherical
- convert_spherical_to_cartesian


## Description

Returns the response points corresponding to the specified explanatory points, given a model for local rotations and an error term sampler.

## Usage

simulate_regression(
explanatory_points,
local_rotation_composer,
local_error_sampler
)

## Arguments

explanatory_points
An $m$-by- 3 matrix whose rows contain the Cartesian coordinates of the points at which the regression will be simulated.
local_rotation_composer
A function that returns a 3-length numeric vector representing the independent components of a skew symmetric matrix local to an explanatory point, given its Cartesian coordinates.
local_error_sampler
A function that returns a 3-length numeric vector representing a sampled error term local to an explanatory point, given its Cartesian coordinates.

## Details

Let $E$ be the $m$-by-3 matrix of explanatory points. This function will return an $m$-by- 3 matrix whose $i$-th row is obtained by transposition of the following expression:

$$
\exp (\Phi(\epsilon(x))) \exp (\Phi(s(x))) x
$$

where $x$ is the transpose of the $i$-th row of $E$. Terms $\epsilon(x)$ and $s(x)$ are obtained by evaluating at $x$ functions local_error_sampler and local_rotation_composer, respectively, while matrix $\Phi(c)$, for a 3-length numeric vector $c$, is the skew symmetric matrix having its independent components represented by the entries of $c$ (for a thorough discussion, see function get_skew_symmetric_matrix).
Functions local_error_sampler and local_rotation_composer must be prototyped as having one argument, point, representing the Cartesian coordinates of a point on a 3D sphere, and returning a non NULL numerical object having length equal to 3 .

## Value

An $m$-by- 3 matrix whose rows contain the Cartesian coordinates of the response points corresponding to the explanatory points.

## See Also

Other Regression functions: cross_validate_concentration(), fit_regression(), get_equally_spaced_points(), get_skew_symmetric_matrix(), simulate_rigid_regression(), weight_explanatory_points()

## Examples

```
library(nprotreg)
# Define a matrix of explanatory points.
explanatory_points <- rbind(
    cbind(.5, 0, .8660254),
    cbind(-.5, 0, .8660254),
    cbind(1, 0, 0),
    cbind(0, 1, 0),
    cbind(-1, 0, 0),
    cbind(0, -1, 0),
    cbind(.5, 0, -.8660254),
    cbind(-.5, 0, -.8660254)
)
# Define a local rotation composer.
local_rotation_composer <- function(point) {
    independent_components <- (1 / 2) *
        c(exp(2.0 * point[3]), - exp(2.0 * point[2]), exp(2.0 * point[1]))
}
# Define a local error sampler.
local_error_sampler <- function(point) {
    rnorm(3)
}
# Get the corresponding 8-by-3 matrix of response points.
# Rows corresponds to explanatory points,
# columns to Cartesian coordinates.
response_points <- simulate_regression(explanatory_points,
                                    local_rotation_composer,
                                    local_error_sampler)
# Get the response point corresponding to the second
# explanatory point.
cat("Response point corresponding to the second explanatory point: \n")
cat(response_points[2, ], "\n")
```

```
simulate_rigid_regression
```

Simulates a Rigid 3D Spherical Regression.

## Description

Returns the response points corresponding to the specified explanatory points, given a rigid rotation model and an error term sampler.

## Usage

```
    simulate_rigid_regression(
        explanatory_points,
        rotation_matrix,
        local_error_sampler
    )
```


## Arguments

explanatory_points
An $m$-by- 3 matrix whose rows contain the Cartesian coordinates of the points at which the regression will be simulated.
rotation_matrix
A 3-by-3 rotation matrix.
local_error_sampler
A function that returns a 3-length numeric vector representing a sampled error term local to an explanatory point, given its Cartesian coordinates.

## Details

Let $E$ be the $m$-by- 3 matrix of explanatory points. This function will return an $m$-by- 3 matrix whose $i$-th row is obtained by transposition of the following expression:

$$
\exp (\Phi(\epsilon(x))) R x
$$

where $x$ is the transpose of the $i$-th row of $E$ and $R$ is rotation_matrix. Term $\epsilon(x)$ is obtained by evaluating at $x$ function local_error_sampler, while matrix $\Phi(c)$, for a 3-length numeric vector $c$, is the skew symmetric matrix having its independent components represented by the entries of $c$ (for a thorough discussion, see function get_skew_symmetric_matrix).

Function local_error_sampler must be prototyped as having one argument, point, representing the Cartesian coordinates of a point on a 3D sphere, and returning a non NULL numerical object having length equal to 3 .

## Value

An $m$-by- 3 matrix whose rows contain the Cartesian coordinates of the response points corresponding to the explanatory points.

## See Also

Other Regression functions: cross_validate_concentration(), fit_regression(), get_equally_spaced_points(), get_skew_symmetric_matrix(), simulate_regression(), weight_explanatory_points()

## Examples

```
library(nprotreg)
# Define a matrix of explanatory points.
explanatory_points <- rbind(
    cbind(.5, 0, .8660254),
    cbind(-.5, 0, .8660254),
    cbind(1, 0, 0),
    cbind(0, 1, 0),
    cbind(-1, 0, 0),
    cbind(0, -1, 0),
    cbind(.5, 0, -.8660254),
    cbind(-.5, 0, -.8660254)
)
# Define a rotation matrix.
rotation_matrix <- rbind(
            cbind(-0.69492055764131177575, 0.71352099052778772403, 0.08929285886191218324),
            cbind(-0.19200697279199935297, -0.30378504433947051133, 0.93319235382364695841),
            cbind(0.69297816774177023458, 0.63134969938371787723, 0.34810747783026463331)
)
# Define a local error sampler.
local_error_sampler <- function(point) {
    rnorm(3)
}
# Get the corresponding 8-by-3 matrix of response points.
# Rows corresponds to explanatory points,
# columns to Cartesian coordinates.
response_points <- simulate_rigid_regression(explanatory_points,
                                    rotation_matrix,
                                    local_error_sampler)
# Get the response point corresponding to the second
# explanatory point.
cat("Response point corresponding to the second explanatory point: \n")
cat(response_points[2, ], "\n")
```

```
weight_explanatory_points
```

Weights the Specified Explanatory Points in a 3D Spherical Regression.

## Description

Returns the weights assigned to the specified explanatory points for each evaluation point under study, given a concentration parameter.

## Usage

weight_explanatory_points(evaluation_points, explanatory_points, concentration)

## Arguments

evaluation_points
An $n$-by- 3 matrix whose rows contain the Cartesian coordinates of the points on which the regression will be estimated.
explanatory_points
An $m$-by- 3 matrix whose rows contain the Cartesian coordinates of the explanatory points used to calculate the regression estimators.
concentration A non negative scalar whose reciprocal value is proportional to the bandwidth applied while estimating a spherical regression model.

## Details

Let $X$ be the $m$-by- 3 matrix of explanatory points, and $E$ the $n$-by- 3 matrix of evaluation points, and $\kappa$ the concentration parameter. This function will return an $m$-by- $n$ matrix whose $(i, j)$ entry is defined as follows:

$$
\exp (\kappa(s(i, j)-1))
$$

where $s(i, j)$ is the scalar product of the $i$-th row of $X$ and the $j$-th row of $E$.

## Value

An $m$-by- $n$ matrix whose $j$-th column contains the weights assigned to the explanatory points while analyzing the $j$-th evaluation point.

## See Also

Other Regression functions: cross_validate_concentration(), fit_regression(), get_equally_spaced_points(), get_skew_symmetric_matrix(), simulate_regression(), simulate_rigid_regression()

## Examples

```
library(nprotreg)
# Define a matrix of evaluation points.
north_pole <- cbind(0, 0, 1)
south_pole <- cbind(0, 0, -1)
evaluation_points <- rbind(north_pole, south_pole)
# Define a matrix of explanatory points
explanatory_points <- rbind(
    cbind(.5, 0, .8660254),
    cbind(-.5, 0, .8660254),
    cbind(1, 0, 0),
    cbind(0, 1, 0),
    cbind(-1, 0, 0),
    cbind(0, -1, 0),
    cbind(.5, 0, -.8660254),
    cbind(-.5, 0, -.8660254)
)
# Define a value for the concentration parameter.
concentration <- 1.0
# Get the corresponding 8-by-2 matrix of weights.
# Columns corresponds to evaluation points,
# rows to explanatory ones.
weights <- weight_explanatory_points(evaluation_points,
                                    explanatory_points,
                                    concentration)
# Get the weights assigned to the explanatory points
# while analyzing the second evaluation point.
cat("Weights assigned while analyzing the second evaluation point: \n")
cat(weights[, 2], "\n")
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