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A Python package for the fast calculation of Multi-unit Van Rossum neural spike train metrics, with the kernel-based algorithm described in Houghton and Kreuz, *On the efficient calculation of Van Rossum distances* (Network: Computation in Neural Systems, 2012, 23, 48-58). This package started out as a Python wrapping of the original C++ implementation given by the authors of the paper, and evolved from there with bugfixes and improvements.

1.1 Installation

1.1.1 Requirements

- CPython 2.7 or 3.x.
- NumPy $\geq$ 1.7.
- C++ development tools and Standard Library (package *build-essential* on Debian).
- Python development tools (package *python-dev* on Debian).

1.1.2 Installing via *pip*

To install the latest release, run:

```
pip install pymuvr
```

1.1.3 Testing

From the root directory of the source distribution, run:

```
python setup.py test
```

(requires *setuptools*). **Alternatively**, if *pymuvr* is already installed on your system, look for the copy of the `test_pymuvr.py` script installed alongside the rest of the *pymuvr* files and execute it. For example:

```
python /usr/lib/pythonX.Y/site-packages/pymuvr/test/test_pymuvr.py
```

1.2 Mathematical methods

We define a compact formalism for multiunit spike-train metrics by opportunely characterising the space of multiunit feature vectors as a tensor product. Previous results from Houghton and Kreuz (2012, *On the efficient calculation of van Rossum distances*. Network: Computation in Neural Systems, 2012, 23, 48-58) on a clever formula for multiunit Van Rossum metrics are then re-derived within this framework, also fixing some errors in the original calculations.

1.2.1 A compact formalism for kernel-based multiunit spike train metrics

Consider a network with C cells. Let

$$\mathcal{U} = \{\mathbf{u}^1, \mathbf{u}^2, \dots, \mathbf{u}^C\}$$

be an *observation of network activity*, where

$$\mathbf{u}^i = \{u_1^i, u_2^i, \dots, u_{N_{u^i}}^i\}$$

is the (ordered) set of times of the spikes emitted by cell i . Let $\mathcal{V} = \{\mathbf{v}^1, \mathbf{v}^2, \dots, \mathbf{v}^C\}$ be another observation, different in general from $\mathcal{U}$.

To compute a kernel based multiunit distance between $\mathcal{U}$ and $\mathcal{V}$, we map them to the tensor product space $\mathcal{S} \doteq \mathbb{R}^C \otimes L_2(\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R})$ by defining

$$|\mathcal{U}\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^C |i\rangle \otimes |\mathbf{u}^i\rangle$$

where we consider $\mathbb{R}^C$ and $L_2(\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R})$ to be equipped with the usual euclidean distances, consequently inducing an euclidean metric structure on $\mathcal{S}$ too.

Conceptually, the set of vectors $\{|i\rangle\}_{i=1}^C \subset \mathbb{R}^C$ represents the different cells, while each $|\mathbf{u}^i\rangle \in L_2(\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R})$ represents the convolution of a spike train of cell i with a real-valued feature function $\phi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$,

$$\langle t | \mathbf{u} \rangle = \sum_{n=1}^{N_u} \phi(t - u_n)$$

In practice, we will never use the feature functions directly, but we will be only interested in the inner products of the $|i\rangle$ and $|\mathbf{u}\rangle$ vectors. We call $c_{ij} \doteq \langle i | j \rangle = \langle i | j \rangle_{\mathbb{R}^C} = c_{ji}$ the *multiunit mixing coefficient* for cells i and j , and $\langle \mathbf{u} | \mathbf{v} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{u} | \mathbf{v} \rangle_{L_2}$ the *single-unit inner product*,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathbf{u} | \mathbf{v} \rangle &= \langle \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_N\} | \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_M\} \rangle = \\ &= \int dt \langle \mathbf{u} | t \rangle \langle t | \mathbf{v} \rangle = \int dt \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{m=1}^M \phi(t - u_n) \phi(t - v_m) \\ &\doteq \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{m=1}^M \mathcal{K}(u_n, v_m) \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathcal{K}(t_1, t_2) \doteq \int dt [\phi(t - t_1) \phi(t - t_2)]$ is the *single-unit metric kernel*, and where we have used the fact that the feature function ϕ is real-valued. It follows immediately from the definition above that $\langle \mathbf{u} | \mathbf{v} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{v} | \mathbf{u} \rangle$.

Note that, given a cell pair (i, j) or a spike train pair $(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})$, c_{ij} does not depend on spike times and $\langle \mathbf{u} | \mathbf{v} \rangle$ does not depend on cell labeling.

With this notation, we can define the *multi-unit spike train distance* as

$$\| |\mathcal{U}\rangle - |\mathcal{V}\rangle \|^2 = \langle \mathcal{U} | \mathcal{U} \rangle + \langle \mathcal{V} | \mathcal{V} \rangle - 2 \langle \mathcal{U} | \mathcal{V} \rangle$$

where the *multi-unit spike train inner product* $\langle \mathcal{V} | \mathcal{U} \rangle$ between $\mathcal{U}$ and $\mathcal{V}$ is just the natural bilinear operation induced on $\mathcal{S}$ by the tensor product structure:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathcal{V} | \mathcal{U} \rangle &= \sum_{i,j=1}^C \langle i | j \rangle \langle \mathbf{v}^i | \mathbf{u}^j \rangle = \sum_{i,j=1}^C c_{ij} \langle \mathbf{v}^i | \mathbf{u}^j \rangle \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^C \left[c_{ii} \langle \mathbf{v}^i | \mathbf{u}^i \rangle + c_{ij} \left(\sum_{j < i} \langle \mathbf{v}^i | \mathbf{u}^j \rangle + \sum_{j > i} \langle \mathbf{v}^j | \mathbf{u}^i \rangle \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

But $c_{ij} = c_{ji}$ and $\langle \mathbf{v} | \mathbf{u} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{u} | \mathbf{v} \rangle$, so

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^C \sum_{j < i} c_{ij} \langle \mathbf{v}^i | \mathbf{u}^j \rangle &= \sum_{j=1}^C \sum_{i < j} c_{ji} \langle \mathbf{v}^j | \mathbf{u}^i \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^C \sum_{j > i} c_{ji} \langle \mathbf{v}^j | \mathbf{u}^i \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^C \sum_{j > i} c_{ij} \langle \mathbf{v}^j | \mathbf{u}^i \rangle \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^C \sum_{j > i} c_{ij} \langle \mathbf{u}^i | \mathbf{v}^j \rangle \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\langle \mathcal{V} | \mathcal{U} \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^C \left[c_{ii} \langle \mathbf{v}^i | \mathbf{u}^i \rangle + c_{ij} \sum_{j > i} (\langle \mathbf{v}^i | \mathbf{u}^j \rangle + \langle \mathbf{u}^i | \mathbf{v}^j \rangle) \right]$$

Now, normally we are interested in the particular case where c_{ij} is the same for all pair of distinct cells:

$$c_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ c & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$$

and under this assumption we can write

$$\langle \mathcal{V} | \mathcal{U} \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^C \left[\langle \mathbf{v}^i | \mathbf{u}^i \rangle + c \sum_{j > i} (\langle \mathbf{v}^i | \mathbf{u}^j \rangle + \langle \mathbf{u}^i | \mathbf{v}^j \rangle) \right]$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathcal{U} - \mathcal{V}\|^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^C \left\{ \langle \mathbf{u}^i | \mathbf{u}^i \rangle + c \sum_{j > i} (\langle \mathbf{u}^i | \mathbf{u}^j \rangle + \langle \mathbf{u}^i | \mathbf{v}^j \rangle) + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \langle \mathbf{v}^i | \mathbf{v}^i \rangle + c \sum_{j > i} (\langle \mathbf{v}^i | \mathbf{v}^j \rangle + \langle \mathbf{v}^i | \mathbf{u}^j \rangle) + \right. \\ &\quad \left. - 2 \left[\langle \mathbf{v}^i | \mathbf{u}^i \rangle + c \sum_{j > i} (\langle \mathbf{v}^i | \mathbf{u}^j \rangle + \langle \mathbf{u}^i | \mathbf{v}^j \rangle) \right] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Rearranging the terms

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathcal{U} - \mathcal{V}\|^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^C \left[\langle \mathbf{u}^i | \mathbf{u}^i \rangle + \langle \mathbf{v}^i | \mathbf{v}^i \rangle - 2 \langle \mathbf{v}^i | \mathbf{u}^i \rangle + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 2c \sum_{j > i} (\langle \mathbf{u}^i | \mathbf{u}^j \rangle + \langle \mathbf{v}^i | \mathbf{v}^j \rangle - \langle \mathbf{v}^i | \mathbf{u}^j \rangle - \langle \mathbf{u}^j | \mathbf{v}^i \rangle) \right] \end{aligned}$$

1.2.2 Van Rossum-like metrics

In Van Rossum-like metrics, the feature function and the single-unit kernel are, for $\tau \neq 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{\tau}^{\text{VR}}(t) &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{\tau}} \cdot e^{-t/\tau} \theta(t) \\ \mathcal{K}_{\tau}^{\text{VR}}(t_1, t_2) &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } t_1 = t_2 \\ e^{-|t_1 - t_2|/\tau} & \text{if } t_1 \neq t_2 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

where θ is the Heaviside step function (with $\theta(0) = 1$), and we have chosen to normalise ϕ_τ^{VR} so that

$$\|\phi_\tau^{\text{VR}}\|_2 = \sqrt{\int dt [\phi_\tau^{\text{VR}}(t)]^2} = 1 \quad .$$

In the $\tau \rightarrow 0$ limit,

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_0^{\text{VR}}(t) &= \delta(t) \\ \mathcal{K}_0^{\text{VR}}(t_1, t_2) &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } t_1 = t_2 \\ 0 & \text{if } t_1 \neq t_2 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

In particular, the single-unit inner product now becomes

$$\langle \mathbf{u} | \mathbf{v} \rangle = \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{m=1}^M \mathcal{K}^{\text{VR}}(u_n, v_m) = \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{m=1}^M e^{-|u_n - v_m|/\tau}$$

Markage formulas

For a spike train $\mathbf{u}$ of length N and a time t we define the index $\tilde{N}(\mathbf{u}, t)$

$$\tilde{N}(\mathbf{u}, t) \doteq \max\{n | u_n < t\}$$

which we can use to re-write $\langle \mathbf{u} | \mathbf{u} \rangle$ without the absolute values:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathbf{u} | \mathbf{u} \rangle &= \sum_{n=1}^N \left(\sum_{m | v_m < u_n} e^{-(u_n - v_m)/\tau} + \sum_{m | v_m > u_n} e^{-(v_m - u_n)/\tau} + \sum_{m=1}^M \delta(u_n, v_m) \right) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^N \left(\sum_{m | v_m < u_n} e^{-(u_n - v_m)/\tau} + \sum_{m | u_m < v_n} e^{-(v_n - u_m)/\tau} + \sum_{m=1}^M \delta(u_n, v_m) \right) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^N \left[\sum_{m=1}^{\tilde{N}(\mathbf{v}, u_n)} e^{-(u_n - v_m)/\tau} + \sum_{m=1}^{\tilde{N}(\mathbf{u}, v_n)} e^{-(v_n - u_m)/\tau} + \delta(u_n, v_{\tilde{N}(\mathbf{v}, u_n)+1}) \right] \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^N \left[e^{-(u_n - v_{\tilde{N}(\mathbf{v}, u_n)})/\tau} \sum_{m=1}^{\tilde{N}(\mathbf{v}, u_n)} e^{-(v_{\tilde{N}(\mathbf{v}, u_n)} - v_m)/\tau} + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + e^{-(v_n - u_{\tilde{N}(\mathbf{u}, v_n)})/\tau} \sum_{m=1}^{\tilde{N}(\mathbf{u}, v_n)} e^{-(u_{\tilde{N}(\mathbf{u}, v_n)} - u_m)/\tau} + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \delta(u_n, v_{\tilde{N}(\mathbf{v}, u_n)+1}) \right] \end{aligned}$$

For a spike train $\mathbf{u}$ of length N , we also define the the *markage vector* $\mathbf{m}$, with the same length as $\mathbf{u}$, through the following recursive assignment:

$$\begin{aligned} m_1(\mathbf{u}) &\doteq 0 \\ m_n(\mathbf{u}) &\doteq (m_{n-1} + 1) e^{-(u_n - u_{n-1})/\tau} \quad \forall n \in \{2, \dots, N\} \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned} m_n(\mathbf{u}) &= \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} e^{-(u_n - u_k)/\tau} = \left(\sum_{k=1}^n e^{-(u_n - u_k)/\tau} \right) - e^{-(u_n - u_n)/\tau} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n e^{-(u_n - u_k)/\tau} - 1 \end{aligned}$$

and in particular

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\tilde{N}(\mathbf{u}, t)} e^{-(u_{\tilde{N}(\mathbf{u}, t)} - u_n)/\tau} = 1 + m_{\tilde{N}(\mathbf{u}, t)}(\mathbf{u})$$

With this definition, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathbf{u} | \mathbf{v} \rangle = \sum_{n=1}^N & \left[e^{-(u_n - v_{\tilde{N}(\mathbf{v}, u_n)})/\tau} \left(1 + m_{\tilde{N}(\mathbf{v}, u_n)}(\mathbf{v}) \right) + \right. \\ & + e^{-(v_n - u_{\tilde{N}(\mathbf{u}, v_n)})/\tau} \left(1 + m_{\tilde{N}(\mathbf{u}, v_n)}(\mathbf{u}) \right) + \\ & \left. + \delta(u_n, v_{\tilde{N}(\mathbf{v}, u_n)+1}) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Finally, note that because of the definition of the markage vector

$$e^{-(u_n - u_{\tilde{N}(\mathbf{u}, u_n)})/\tau} \left(1 + m_{\tilde{N}(\mathbf{u}, u_n)}(\mathbf{u}) \right) = e^{-(u_n - u_{n-1})/\tau} (1 + m(\mathbf{u})) = m_n(\mathbf{u})$$

so that in particular

$$\langle \mathbf{u} | \mathbf{u} \rangle = \sum_{n=1}^N (1 + 2m_n(\mathbf{u}))$$

A formula for the efficient computation of multiunit Van Rossum spike train metrics, used by `pymuvr`, can then be obtained by opportunistically substituting these expressions for the single-unit scalar products in the definition of the multiunit distance.

1.3 Usage

1.3.1 Examples

```
>>> import pymuvr
>>> # define two sets of observations for two cells
>>> observations_1 = [[1.0, 2.3], # 1st observation, 1st cell
...                  [0.2, 2.5, 2.7]], # 2nd cell
...                  [[1.1, 1.2, 3.0], # 2nd observation
...                  []],
...                  [[5.0, 7.8],
...                  [4.2, 6.0]]]
>>> observations_2 = [[0.9],
...                  [0.7, 0.9, 3.3]],
...                  [[0.3, 1.5, 2.4],
...                  [2.5, 3.7]]]
>>> # set parameters for the metric
>>> cos = 0.1
>>> tau = 1.0
>>> # compute distances between all observations in set 1
>>> # and those in set 2
>>> pymuvr.dissimilarity_matrix(observations_1,
...                             observations_2,
...                             cos,
```

```
...                                     tau,
...                                     'distance')
array([[ 2.40281585,  1.92780957],
       [ 2.76008964,  2.31230263],
       [ 3.1322069 ,  3.17216524]])
>>> # compute inner products
>>> pymuvr.dissimilarity_matrix(observations_1,
...                             observations_2,
...                             cos,
...                             tau,
...                             'inner product')
array([[ 4.30817654,  5.97348384],
       [ 2.08532468,  3.85777053],
       [ 0.59639918,  1.10721323]])
>>> # compute all distances between observations in set 1
>>> pymuvr.square_dissimilarity_matrix(observations_1,
...                                    cos,
...                                    tau,
...                                    'distance')
array([[ 0.          ,  2.6221159 ,  3.38230952],
       [ 2.6221159 ,  0.          ,  3.10221811],
       [ 3.38230952,  3.10221811,  0.          ]])
>>> # compute inner products
>>> pymuvr.square_dissimilarity_matrix(observations_1,
...                                    cos,
...                                    tau,
...                                    'inner product')
array([[ 8.04054275,  3.3022304 ,  0.62735459],
       [ 3.3022304 ,  5.43940985,  0.23491838],
       [ 0.62735459,  0.23491838,  4.6541841 ]])
```

See the `examples` and `test` directories in the source distribution for more detailed examples of usage. These should also have been installed alongside the rest of the `pymuvr` files.

The script `examples/benchmark_versus_spykeutils.py` compares the performance of `pymuvr` with the pure Python/NumPy implementation of the multiunit Van Rossum distance in `spykeutils`.

1.3.2 Reference

`pymuvr.dissimilarity_matrix(observations1, observations2, cos, tau, mode)`

Return the *bipartite* (rectangular) dissimilarity matrix between the observations in the first and the second list.

Parameters

- **observations1, observations2** (*list*) – Two lists of multi-unit spike trains to compare. Each *observations* parameter must be a thrice-nested list of spike times, with *observations[i][j][k]* representing the time of the *k*th spike of the *j*th cell of the *i*th observation.
- **cos** (*float*) – mixing parameter controlling the interpolation between *labelled-line* mode (*cos*=0) and *summed-population* mode (*cos*=1). It corresponds to the cosine of the angle between the vectors used for the euclidean embedding of the multiunit spike trains.
- **tau** (*float*) – time scale for the exponential kernel, controlling the interpolation between pure *coincidence detection* (*tau*=0) and *spike count* mode (very large *tau*). Note that setting *tau*=0 is always allowed, but there is a range (0, epsilon) of forbidden values that *tau* is not allowed to assume. The upper bound of this range is proportional to the absolute value of the largest spike time in *observations*, with the proportionality constant being system-dependent. As a rule of thumb *tau* and the spike times should be within 4 orders of magnitude of each

other; for example, if the largest spike time is 10s a value of $\tau > 1\text{ms}$ will be expected. An exception will be raised if τ falls in the forbidden range.

- **mode** (*string*) – type of dissimilarity measure to be computed. Must be either ‘distance’ or ‘inner product’.

Returns A $\text{len}(\text{observations1}) \times \text{len}(\text{observations2})$ numpy array containing the dissimilarity (distance or inner product) between each pair of observations that can be formed by taking one observation from *observations1* and one from *observations2*.

Return type *numpy.ndarray*

Raises

- **IndexError** – if the observations in *observations1* and *observations2* don’t have all the same number of cells.
- **OverflowError** – if τ falls in the forbidden interval.

`pymuvr.square_dissimilarity_matrix(observations, cos, tau, mode)`

Return the *all-to-all* (square) dissimilarity matrix for the given list of observations.

Parameters

- **observations** (*list*) – A list of multi-unit spike trains to compare.
- **cos** (*float*) – mixing parameter controlling the interpolation between *labelled-line* mode ($\cos=0$) and *summed-population* mode ($\cos=1$).
- **tau** (*float*) – time scale for the exponential kernel, controlling the interpolation between pure *coincidence detection* ($\tau=0$) and *spike count* mode (very large τ).
- **mode** (*string*) – type of dissimilarity measure to be computed. Must be either ‘distance’ or ‘inner product’.

Returns A $\text{len}(\text{observations}) \times \text{len}(\text{observations})$ numpy array containing the dissimilarity (distance or inner product) between all possible pairs of observations.

Return type *numpy.ndarray*

Raises

- **IndexError** – if the observations in *observations* don’t have all the same number of cells.
- **OverflowError** – if τ falls in the forbidden interval.

Effectively equivalent to `dissimilarity_matrix(observations, observations, cos, tau)`, but optimised for speed. See `pymuvr.dissimilarity_matrix()` for details.

`pymuvr.distance_matrix(trains1, trains2, cos, tau)`

Return the *bipartite* (rectangular) distance matrix between the observations in the first and the second list.

Convenience function; equivalent to `dissimilarity_matrix(trains1, trains2, cos, tau, "distance")`. Refer to `pymuvr.dissimilarity_matrix()` for full documentation.

`pymuvr.square_distance_matrix(trains, cos, tau)`

Return the *all-to-all* (square) distance matrix for the given list of observations.

Convenience function; equivalent to `square_dissimilarity_matrix(trains, cos, tau, "distance")`. Refer to `pymuvr.square_dissimilarity_matrix()` for full documentation.

1.4 C++ API reference

class **ConvolvedSpikeTrain**

A class representing a single-unit spike train for which several helper vectors relating to a Van Rossum-like exponential convolution have been calculated.

Public Functions

ConvolvedSpikeTrain()

Default constructor.

ConvolvedSpikeTrain(std::vector< double > *spikes*, double *tau*)

Constructor accepting a spike train.

Parameters

- *spikes* - A *vector* of spike times.
- *tau* - Time scale for the exponential kernel. There is a limit to how small *tau* can be compared to the absolute value of the spike times. An exception will be raised if this limit is exceeded; its value is system-dependent, but as a rule of thumb *tau* and the spike times should be within 4 orders of magnitude of each other.

void **distance**(std::vector< std::vector< *ConvolvedSpikeTrain* > > & *trains*, double *c*, double ** *d_matrix*)

Compute the square (all-to-all) distance matrix for a set of multi-unit spike trains.

Parameters

- *trains* - The set of multi unit spike trains.
- *c* - Cosine of the multi-unit mixing angle. *c=0* corresponds to labelled-line code, *c=1* to summed-population code.
- *d_matrix* - The *trains.size()* x *trains.size()* matrix where the results will be written.

void **distance**(std::vector< std::vector< *ConvolvedSpikeTrain* > > & *trains1*, std::vector< std::vector< *ConvolvedSpikeTrain* > > & *trains2*, double *c*, double ** *d_matrix*)

Compute the rectangular (bipartite) distance matrix between two sets of multi-unit spike trains.

Parameters

- *trains1**trains2* - The sets of multi unit spike trains.
- *c* - Cosine of the multi-unit mixing angle. *c=0* corresponds to labelled-line code, *c=1* to summed-population code.
- *d_matrix* - The *trains1.size()* x *trains2.size()* matrix where the results will be written.

void **inner_product**(std::vector< std::vector< *ConvolvedSpikeTrain* > > & *trains*, double *c*, double ** *g_matrix*)

Compute the square (all-to-all) inner product matrix for a set of multi-unit spike trains.

Parameters

- *trains* - The set of multi unit spike trains.
- *c* - Cosine of the multi-unit mixing angle. *c=0* corresponds to labelled-line code, *c=1* to summed-population code.
- *g_matrix* - The *trains.size()* x *trains.size()* matrix where the results will be written.

```
void inner_product (std::vector< std::vector< ConvolvedSpikeTrain > > & trains1, std::vector<  
std::vector< ConvolvedSpikeTrain > > & trains2, double c, double ** g_matrix)  
Compute the rectangular (bipartite) inner product matrix between two sets set of multi-unit spike trains.
```

Parameters

- `trains1trains2` - The sets of multi unit spike trains.
- `c` - Cosine of the multi-unit mixing angle. $c=0$ corresponds to labelled-line code, $c=1$ to summed-population code.
- `g_matrix` - The `trains1.size() x trains2.size()` matrix where the results will be written.

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