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Proof. First note that, from (1)

$$\text{cov}(y(\mathbf{x}), \hat{y}(\mathbf{x})) = \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x})^\top \mathbf{R}^{-1} \text{cov}(y(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{y}) = \sigma^2 \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x})^\top \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}) = \text{Var}\{\hat{y}(\mathbf{x})\}$$

and, since $\text{Var}\{y(\mathbf{x})\} = \sigma^2$, we have

$$\rho^2(y(\mathbf{x}), \hat{y}(\mathbf{x})) = \frac{\{\sigma^2 \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x})^\top \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x})\}^2}{\sigma^2 \cdot \sigma^2 \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x})^\top \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x})} = \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x})^\top \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x}).$$

The result follows from (2) and (4). \square

We can interpret $\bar{\rho}^2(y, \hat{y})$ in (5) as the average squared correlation between the simulator responses and predicted responses at unsampled inputs. Proposition 1 provides new light on the interpretation of IMSPE-optimal designs (see e.g. Sacks et al. (1989)). The proposition demonstrates that minimizing the IMSPE is equivalent to maximizing the average, squared, out-of-sample correlation between $y(\mathbf{x})$ and $\hat{y}(\mathbf{x})$. By minimizing the IMSPE we can expect to improve the predictive ability of the Kriging predictor.

Definition 1.

The *Root Average Unexplained Variability* (RAUV) of predictor \hat{y} , evaluated at design $\mathcal{D} \subset$

$$\theta = \left(\frac{\mathcal{J}(\hat{y}, \mathcal{D}; \boldsymbol{\theta})}{\sigma^2} \right)^{1/2} = \left(\int_{[0,1]^d} \frac{\text{Var}\{y(\mathbf{x})|\mathcal{D}\}}{\text{Var}\{y(\mathbf{x})\}} d\mathbf{x} \right)^{1/2}.$$

We propose RAUV as a measure of expected prediction error on designing a computer experiment. Its indicated magnitude is relative to the prior standard deviation, and the choice of the square root scale is in line with similar measures used by Loepky et al. (2009) and Chen et al. (2016). It is common practice to measure model performance by its

