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### **Description**

This package can be used to sample states from the Ising model and compute the probability of states. Sampling can be done for any number of nodes, but due to the intractibility of the Ising model the distribution can only be computed up to ~10 nodes.

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### Examples

```
## This code compares the different sampling algorithms to the expected
## distribution of states in a tractible number of nodes.
## In the end are examples on how to obtain the distribution.
# Input:
N < -5 \# Number of nodes
nSample <- 5000 # Number of samples
# Ising parameters:
Graph \leftarrow matrix(sample(0:1,N^2,TRUE,prob = c(0.7, 0.3)),N,N) * rnorm(N^2)
Graph <- pmax(Graph,t(Graph)) / N</pre>
diag(Graph) <- 0</pre>
Thresh <- -(rnorm(N)^2)
Beta <- 1
# Response options (0,1 \text{ or } -1,1):
Resp <- c(0L, 1L)
# All posible states:
AllStates <- do.call(expand.grid,lapply(1:N,function(x)Resp))
# Simulate with metropolis:
MetData <- IsingSampler(nSample, Graph, Thresh, Beta, 1000/N,
  responses = Resp, method = "MH")
# Simulate exact samples (CFTP):
ExData <- IsingSampler(nSample, Graph, Thresh, Beta, 100,</pre>
  responses = Resp, method = "CFTP")
# Direct simulation:
DirectData <- IsingSampler(nSample, Graph, Thresh, Beta, method = "direct")</pre>
```

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# State distirbutions:
MetDist <- apply(AllStates,1,function(x)sum(colSums(t(MetData) == x)==N))</pre>
ExDist <- apply(AllStates,1,function(x)sum(colSums(t(ExData) == x)==N))
DirectDist <- apply(AllStates,1,function(x)sum(colSums(t(DirectData) == x)==N))</pre>
ExpDist <- exp(- Beta * apply(AllStates,1,function(s)IsingSampler:::H(Graph,s,Thresh)))</pre>
ExpDist <- ExpDist/sum(ExpDist) * nSample</pre>
## Plot to compare distributions:
plot(MetDist, type="l", col="blue", pch=16, xlab="State", ylab="Freq",
  ylim=c(0,max(MetDist,DirectDist,ExDist)))
points(DirectDist, type="l", col="red", pch=16)
points(ExpDist,type="l",col="green",pch=16)
points(ExDist,type="l",col="purple",pch=16)
legend("topright", col=c("blue","red","purple","green"),
  legend=c("Metropolis","Direct","Exact","Expected"),lty=1,bty='n')
## Likelihoods:
# Sumscores:
IsingSumLikelihood(Graph, Thresh, Beta, Resp)
# All states:
IsingLikelihood(Graph, Thresh, Beta, Resp)
# Single state:
IsingStateProb(rep(Resp[1],N),Graph, Thresh, Beta, Resp)
```

EstimateIsing

non-regularized estimation methods for the Ising Model

### Description

This function can be used for several non-regularized estimation methods of the Ising Model. See details.

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### Arguments

data Data frame with binary responses to estimate the Ising model over

responses Vector of length two indicating the response coding (usually c(0L, 1L) pr c(-1L,

1L))

beta Inverse temperature parameter

method The method to be used. pl uses pseudolikelihood estimation, uni sequential

univariate regressions, bi bivariate regressions and 11 estimates the Ising model

as a loglinear model.

adj Adjacency matrix of the Ising model.

min\_sum The minimum sum score that is artifically possible in the dataset. Defaults to

-Inf. Set this only if you know a lower sum score is not possible in the data, for

example due to selection bias.

thresholding Logical, should the model be thresholded for significance?

alpha Alpha level used in thresholding

AND Logical, should an AND-rule (both regressions need to be significant) or OR-

rule (one of the regressions needs to be significant) be used?

... Arguments sent to estimator functions

#### **Details**

The following algorithms can be used (see Epskamp, Maris, Waldorp, Borsboom; in press).

pl Estimates the Ising model by maximizing the pseudolikelihood (Besag, 1975).

uni Estimates the Ising model by computing univariate logistic regressions of each node on all other nodes. This leads to a single estimate for each threshold and two estimates for each network parameter. The two estimates are averaged to produce the final network. Uses glm.

bi Estimates the Ising model using multinomial logistic regression of each pair of nodes on all other nodes. This leads to a single estimate of each network parameter and \$p\$ estimates of each threshold parameter. Uses multinom.

11 Estimates the Ising model by phrasing it as a loglinear model with at most pairwise interactions. Uses loglin.

#### Value

A list containing the estimation results:

graph The estimated network thresholds The estimated thresholds

results The results object used in the analysis

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#### References

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Besag, J. (1975), Statistical analysis of non-lattice data. The statistician, 24, 179-195.

#### **Examples**

```
# Input:
N \leftarrow 5 \# Number of nodes
nSample <- 500 # Number of samples
# Ising parameters:
Graph <- matrix(sample(0:1,N^2,TRUE,prob = c(0.7, 0.3)),N,N) * rnorm(N^2)
Graph <- Graph + t(Graph)</pre>
diag(Graph) <- 0</pre>
Thresholds <- rep(0,N)
Beta <- 1
# Response options (0,1 or -1,1):
Resp <- c(0L, 1L)
Data <- IsingSampler(nSample,Graph, Thresholds)</pre>
# Pseudolikelihood:
resPL <- EstimateIsing(Data, method = "pl")</pre>
cor(Graph[upper.tri(Graph)], resPL$graph[upper.tri(resPL$graph)])
# Univariate logistic regressions:
resUni <- EstimateIsing(Data, method = "uni")</pre>
cor(Graph[upper.tri(Graph)], resUni$graph[upper.tri(resUni$graph)])
# bivariate logistic regressions:
resBi <- EstimateIsing(Data, method = "bi")
cor(Graph[upper.tri(Graph)], resBi$graph[upper.tri(resBi$graph)])
# Loglinear model:
resLL <- EstimateIsing(Data, method = "11")</pre>
cor(Graph[upper.tri(Graph)], resLL$graph[upper.tri(resLL$graph)])
```

IsingEntrophy

Entropy of the Ising Model

#### Description

Returns (marginal/conditional) Shannon information of the Ising model.

```
IsingEntrophy(graph, thresholds, beta = 1, conditional = numeric(0), marginalize = numeric(0), base = 2, responses = c(0L, 1L))
```

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#### **Arguments**

graph Weights matrix
thresholds Thresholds vector
beta Inverse temperature

conditional Indices of nodes to condition on
marginalize Indices of nodes to marginalize over

base Base of the logarithm

responses Vector of outcome responses.

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### **Description**

This function returns the likelihood of all possible states. Is only tractible up to rougly 10 nodes.

### Usage

### **Arguments**

graph Square matrix indicating the weights of the network. Must be symmetrical with

0 as diagonal.

thresholds Vector indicating the thresholds, also known as the external field.

beta Scalar indicating the inverse temperature.

responses Response options. Typically set to c(-1L, 1L) or c(0L, 1L) (default). Must be

integers!

potential Logical, return the potential instead of the probability of each state?

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### **Description**

Computes the pseudolikelihood of a dataset given an Ising Model.

### Usage

```
IsingPL(x, graph, thresholds, beta, responses = c(0L, 1L))
```

### **Arguments**

X	A binary dataset	
graph	Square matrix indicating the weights of the network. Must be symmetrical wit 0 as diagonal.	
thresholds	Vector indicating the thresholds, also known as the external field.	
beta	Scalar indicating the inverse temperature.	
responses	Response options. Typically set to $c(-1L, 1L)$ or $c(0L, 1L)$ (default). Must be	

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integers!

### Value

The pseudolikelihood

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IsingSampler	Sample states from the Ising model

### **Description**

This function samples states from the Ising model using one of three methods. See details.

```
IsingSampler(n, graph, thresholds, beta = 1, nIter = 100, responses = c(0L, 1L),
   method = c("MH", "CFTP", "direct"), CFTPretry = 10, constrain)
```

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#### **Arguments**

n Number of states to draw

graph Square matrix indicating the weights of the network. Must be symmetrical with

0 as diagonal.

thresholds Vector indicating the thresholds, also known as the external field.

beta Scalar indicating the inverse temperature.

nIter Number of iterations in the Metropolis and exact sampling methods.

responses Response options. Typically set to c(-1L, 1L) or c(0L, 1L) (default). Must be

integers!

method The sampling method to use. Must be "MH", "CFTP" or "direct". See details.

CFTPretry The amount of times a sample from CFTP may be retried. If after 100 couplings

from the past the chain still results in NA values the chain is reset with different random numbers. Be aware that data that requies a lot of CFTP resets might not

resemble exact samples anymore.

constrain A (number of samples) by (number of nodes) matrix with samples that need be

constrained; NA indicates that the sample is unconstrained. Defaults to a matrix

of NAs.

#### **Details**

This function uses one of three sampling methods. "MH" can be used to sample using a Metropolis-Hastings algorithm. The chain is initiated with random values from the response options, then for each iteration for each node a node is set to the second response option with the probability of that node being in the second response option given all other nodes and parameters. Typically, 100 of such iterations should suffice for the chain to converge.

The second method, "CFTP" enhances the Metropolis-Hastings algorithm with Coupling from the Past (CFTP; Murray, 2007) to draw exact samples from the distribution. This is slower than the default Metropolis-Hastings but guarantees exact samples. However, it does depend on the graph structure and the number of nodes if these exact samples can be obtained in feasable time.

The third option, "direct", simply computes for every possibly state the probability and draws samples directly from the distribution of states by using these probabilities. This also guarantees exact samples, but quickly becomes intractible (roughly above 10 nodes).

#### Value

A matrix containing samples of states.

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#### References

Murray, I. (2007). Advances in Markov chain Monte Carlo methods.

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#### See Also

IsingSampler-package for examples

### **Examples**

## See IsingSampler-package help page

IsingStateProb

Likelihood of single state from tractible Ising model.

#### **Description**

This function returns the likelihood of a single possible state. Is only tractible up to rougly 10 nodes.

### Usage

```
IsingStateProb(s, graph, thresholds, beta, responses = c(0L, 1L))
```

#### **Arguments**

s Vector containing the state to evaluate.

graph Square matrix indicating the weights of the network. Must be symmetrical with

0 as diagonal.

thresholds Vector indicating the thresholds, also known as the external field.

beta Scalar indicating the inverse temperature.

responses Response options. Typically set to c(-1L, 1L) or c(0L, 1L) (default). Must be

integers!

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IsingSumLikelihood

Likelihood of sumscores from tractible Ising model.

### Description

This function returns the likelihood of all possible sumscores. Is only tractible up to rougly 10 nodes.

```
IsingSumLikelihood(graph, thresholds, beta, responses = c(0L, 1L))
```

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### **Arguments**

graph Square matrix indicating the weights of the network. Must be symmetrical with

0 as diagonal.

thresholds Vector indicating the thresholds, also known as the external field.

beta Scalar indicating the inverse temperature.

responses Response options. Typically set to c(-1L, 1L) or c(0L, 1L) (default). Must be

integers!

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LinTransform Transform parameters for linear transformations on response

catagories

### **Description**

This function is mainly used to translate parameters estimated with response options set to 0 and 1 to a model in which the response options are -1 and 1, but can be used for any linear transformation of response options.

### Usage

```
LinTransform(graph, thresholds, from = c(0L, 1L), to = c(-1L, 1L), a, b)
```

### **Arguments**

graph A matrix containing an Ising graph
thresholds A vector containing thresholds
from The original response encoding

to The response encoding to transform to

a The slope of the transformation. Overwrites to.

b The intercept of the transformation. Overwrites to.

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### **Examples**

```
N <- 4 # Number of nodes
# Ising parameters:
Graph \leftarrow matrix(sample(0:1,N^2,TRUE,prob = c(0.7, 0.3)),N,N) * rnorm(N^2)
Graph <- pmax(Graph,t(Graph)) / N</pre>
diag(Graph) <- 0</pre>
Thresh <- -(rnorm(N)^2)</pre>
Beta <- 1
p1 <- IsingLikelihood(Graph, Thresh, Beta, c(0,1))</pre>
a <- 2
b <- -1
# p2 <- IsingLikelihood(Graph/(a^2), Thresh/a - (b*rowSums(Graph))/a^2, Beta, c(-1,1))</pre>
p2 <- IsingLikelihood(LinTransform(Graph, Thresh)$graph,</pre>
                        LinTransform(Graph, Thresh)$thresholds ,
                       Beta, c(-1,1))
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round(cbind(p1[,1],p2[,1]),5)
plot(p1[,1],p2[,1])
abline(0,1)
```

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