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Description Compute and select tuning parameters for the MRCE estimator proposed by Rothman, Levina, and Zhu (2010) <doi:10.1198/jcgs.2010.09188>. This estimator fits the multiple output linear regression model with a sparse estimator of the error precision matrix and a sparse estimator of the regression coefficient matrix.

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| MRCE-package | <i>Multivariate regression with covariance estimation</i> |
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Description

Computes the MRCE estimators (Rothman, Levina, and Zhu, 2010) and has the dataset `stock04` used in Rothman, Levina, and Zhu (2010), originally analyzed in Yuan et al. (2007).

Details

The primary function is [mrce](#). The dataset is [stock04](#).

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mrce

Do multivariate regression with covariance estimation (MRCE)

Description

Let S_+^q be the set of q by q symmetric and positive definite matrices and let $y_i \in R^q$ be the measurements of the q responses for the i th case/observation ($i = 1, \dots, n$). The model assumes that $y_i \in R^q$ is a realization of the q -variate random vector

$$Y_i = \mu + B_0' x_i + E_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

where $\mu \in R^q$ is an unknown intercept vector, $B_0 \in R^{p \times q}$ is an unknown regression coefficient matrix, $x_i \in R^p$ is a known vector of values for i th case's p predictors, and E_1, \dots, E_n are n independent copies of a q -variate Normal random vector with mean 0 and unknown inverse covariance matrix $\Omega_0 \in S_+^q$.

This function computes penalized likelihood estimates of the unknown parameters μ , B_0 , and Ω_0 . Let $\bar{y} = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i$ and $\bar{x} = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$. These estimates are

$$(\hat{B}, \hat{\Omega}) = \arg \min_{B \in R^{p \times q}, \Omega \in S_+^q} \left\{ g(B, \Omega) + \lambda_1 \sum_{j \neq k} |\omega_{jk}| + 2\lambda_2 \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^q |b_{jk}| \right\}$$

and $\hat{\mu} = \bar{y} - \hat{B}' \bar{x}$, where

$$g(B, \Omega) = \text{tr}\{n^{-1}(Y - XB)'(Y - XB)\Omega\} - \log |\Omega|,$$

$Y \in R^{n \times q}$ has i th row $(y_i - \bar{y})'$, and $X \in R^{n \times p}$ has i th row $(x_i - \bar{x})'$.

Usage

```
mrce(X,Y, lam1=NULL, lam2=NULL, lam1.vec=NULL, lam2.vec=NULL,
     method=c("single", "cv", "fixed.omega"),
     cov.tol=1e-4, cov.maxit=1e3, omega=NULL,
     maxit.out=1e3, maxit.in=1e3, tol.out=1e-8,
     tol.in=1e-8, kfold=5, silent=TRUE, eps=1e-5)
```

Arguments

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| X | An n by p matrix of the values for the prediction variables. Do not center its columns, the i th row of X is x_i defined above ($i = 1, \dots, n$). Do not include a column of ones. |
| Y | An n by q matrix of the observed responses. Do not center its columns, the i th row of Y is y_i defined above ($i = 1, \dots, n$). |
| lam1 | A single value for λ_1 defined above. This argument is only used if <code>method="single"</code> |
| lam2 | A single value for λ_2 defined above (or a p by q matrix with (j, k) th entry λ_{2jk} in which case the penalty $2\lambda_2 \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^q b_{jk} $ becomes $2 \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^q \lambda_{2jk} b_{jk} $). This argument is not used if <code>method="cv"</code> . |
| lam1.vec | A vector of candidate values for λ_1 from which the cross validation procedure searches: only used when <code>method="cv"</code> and must be specified by the user when <code>method="cv"</code> . Please arrange in decreasing order. |
| lam2.vec | A vector of candidate values for λ_2 from which the cross validation procedure searches: only used when <code>method="cv"</code> and must be specified by the user when <code>method="cv"</code> . Please arrange in decreasing order. |
| method | There are three options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>method="single"</code> computes the MRCE estimate of the regression coefficient matrix with penalty tuning parameters <code>lam1</code> and <code>lam2</code>; • <code>method="cv"</code> performs <code>kfold</code> cross validation using candidate tuning parameters in <code>lam1.vec</code> and <code>lam2.vec</code>; • <code>method="fixed.omega"</code> computes the regression coefficient matrix estimate for which Ω (defined above) is fixed at <code>omega</code>. |
| cov.tol | Convergence tolerance for the QUIC algorithm that minimizes the objective function (defined above) with B fixed. |
| cov.maxit | The maximum number of iterations allowed for the QUIC algorithm that minimizes the objective function (defined above) with B fixed. |
| omega | A user-supplied fixed value of Ω . Only used when <code>method="fixed.omega"</code> in which case the minimizer of the objective function (defined above) with Ω fixed at <code>omega</code> is returned. |
| maxit.out | The maximum number of iterations allowed for the outer loop of the exact MRCE algorithm. |
| maxit.in | The maximum number of iterations allowed for the algorithm that minimizes the objective function, defined above, with Ω fixed. |
| tol.out | Convergence tolerance for outer loop of the exact MRCE algorithm. |

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| <code>tol.in</code> | Convergence tolerance for the algorithm that minimizes the objective function, defined above, with Ω fixed. |
| <code>kfold</code> | The number of folds to use when <code>method="cv"</code> . |
| <code>silent</code> | Logical: when <code>silent=FALSE</code> this function displays progress updates to the screen. |
| <code>eps</code> | The algorithm will terminate if the minimum diagonal entry of the current iterate's residual sample covariance is less than <code>eps</code> . This may need adjustment depending on the scales of the variables. |

Details

Please see Rothman, Levina, and Zhu (2010) for more information on the algorithm and model. This version of the software uses the QUIC algorithm (Hsieh et al., 2011) through the R package QUIC. If the algorithm is running slowly, track its progress with `silent=FALSE`. In some cases, choosing `cov.tol=0.1` and `tol.out=1e-10` allows the algorithm to make faster progress. If one uses a matrix for `lam2`, consider setting `tol.in=1e-12`.

When $p > n$ and λ_2 is too close to zero, a perfect fit will occur. The algorithm will terminate early and inform the user.

The algorithm that minimizes the objective function, defined above, with Ω fixed uses a similar update strategy and termination criterion to those used by Friedman et al. (2010) in the corresponding R package `glmnet`.

Value

A list containing

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| <code>Bhat</code> | This is $\hat{B} \in R^{p \times q}$ defined above. If <code>method="cv"</code> , then <code>best.lam1</code> and <code>best.lam2</code> defined below are used for λ_1 and λ_2 . |
| <code>muhat</code> | This is the intercept estimate $\hat{\mu} \in R^q$ defined above. If <code>method="cv"</code> , then <code>best.lam1</code> and <code>best.lam2</code> defined below are used for λ_1 and λ_2 . |
| <code>omega</code> | This is $\hat{\Omega} \in S_+^q$ defined above. If <code>method="cv"</code> , then <code>best.lam1</code> and <code>best.lam2</code> defined below are used for λ_1 and λ_2 . |
| <code>mx</code> | This is $\bar{x} \in R^p$ defined above. |
| <code>my</code> | This is $\bar{y} \in R^q$ defined above. |
| <code>best.lam1</code> | The selected value for λ_1 by cross validation. Will be NULL unless <code>method="cv"</code> . |
| <code>best.lam2</code> | The selected value for λ_2 by cross validation. Will be NULL unless <code>method="cv"</code> . |
| <code>cv.err</code> | Cross validation error matrix with <code>length(lam1.vec)</code> rows and <code>length(lam2.vec)</code> columns. Will be NULL unless <code>method="cv"</code> . |

Note

The algorithm is fastest when λ_1 and λ_2 are large. Please do not set these parameters to zero. Use `silent=FALSE` to check if the algorithm is converging before the total iterations exceeds `maxit.out`.

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Examples

```

set.seed(5)
n=50
p=10
q=5

Omega0.inv=diag(q)
for(i in 1:q) for(j in 1:q)
  Omega0.inv[i,j]=0.7^abs(i-j)
out=eigen(Omega0.inv, symmetric=TRUE)
Omega0.inv.sqrt=tcrossprod(out$vec*rep(out$val^(0.5), each=q),out$vec)
Omega0=tcrossprod(out$vec*rep(out$val^(-1), each=q),out$vec)

X=matrix(rnorm(n*p), nrow=n, ncol=p)
E=matrix(rnorm(n*p), nrow=n, ncol=q)%%Omega0.inv.sqrt
B0=matrix(rbinom(p*q, size=1, prob=0.1)*runif(p*q, min=1, max=2), nrow=p, ncol=q)

Y=X%%B0 + E

lam1.vec=rev(10^seq(from=-2, to=0, by=0.5))
lam2.vec=rev(10^seq(from=-2, to=0, by=0.5))
cvfit=mrce(Y=Y, X=X, lam1.vec=lam1.vec, lam2.vec=lam2.vec, method="cv")
cvfit

fit=mrce(Y=Y, X=X, lam1=10^(-1.5), lam2=10^(-0.5), method="single")
fit

lam2.mat=1000*(fit$Bhat==0)
refit=mrce(Y=Y, X=X, lam2=lam2.mat, method="fixed.omega", omega=fit$omega, tol.in=1e-12)
refit

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stock04

log-returns of 9 stocks from 2004

Description

Weekly log-returns of 9 stocks from 2004, analyzed in Yuan et al. (2007)

Usage

```
data(stock04)
```

Format

The format is: num [1:52, 1:9] 0.002275 -0.003795 0.012845 0.017489 -0.000369 ... - attr(*, "dimnames")=List of 2 ..\$: NULL ..\$: chr [1:9] "Walmart" "Exxon" "GM" "Ford" ...

Source

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