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## Description

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 $\label{lem:hydregression} \textbf{HPdregression} \ \text{provides} \ \text{distributed algorithms for regression models.} \ \textbf{It} \ \text{is written based on the infrastructure created in HP-Lab for distributed computing in R.}$ 

## **Details**

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#### Main Functions:

• hpdglm: It is a distributed version of glm.

- v.hpdglm: This function is implemented for evaluating a model built by hpdglm using Split-Sample-Validation method.
- cv.hpdglm: This function is implemented for evaluating a model built by hpdglm using Cross-Validation method.

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cv.hpdglm

Cross-Validation Method for hpdglm Models

## **Description**

This function is implemented for evaluating a model built by hpdglm using Cross-Validation method (This function is only available for complete models). In simple words, the data is randomly divided into K folds, and building model and testing that is repeated K times. Every iteration, one fold is reserved as test data and the rest is used for training. Finally, the prediction costs of the new models on all folds are aggregated.

## Usage

#### **Arguments**

responses the darray that contains the vector of responses.

predictors the darray that contains the vector of predictors.

hpdglmfit a built model of type hpdglm.

K number of folds in cross validation.

sampling\_threshold

threshold for the method of sampling (centralized or distributed). It should be always smaller than 1e9. When (blockSize > sampling\_threshold || nSample > 1e9 || nSample/K > sampling\_threshold), the distributed sampling is selected in which each block is divided to K folds. Here, blockSize is the number of samples in each partition of predictors, and nSample is the total number of samples in predictors.

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#### **Details**

In order to randomly select the validation set, sample.int function of R is used. This function does not support sample space bigger than 1e9; moreover, it is slow for big numbers. Therefore, when the number of samples in each block of darray becomes bigger than sampling\_threshold, instead of purely random selection on the master side, each block will randomly contribute its portion to validation set in a distributed fashion. When the ratio of number of samples in each block to the total number of blocks is huge, the skew of randomness is negligible, but performance will be improved.

#### Value

call	the original call to cv.hpdglm
K	number of folds used at the input
delta	a vector of length two. The first component is the raw validation estimate of prediction error. The second component is the adjusted validation estimate. Lower cost indicates better fitting. In more detail, the 1st-cost is prediction cost of new model on test data, and the 2nd-cost is [1st-cost + (cost of the old model on all data - the cost of the new model on all data)]
seed	the value of .Random.seed when cv.hpdglm was called.

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## **Examples**

family.hpdglm

family of an hpdglm model

#### **Description**

Returns the family used for building an hpdglm model.

## Usage

```
family.hpdglm(object, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

```
object an hpdglm model
```

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## Value

the family of the model

hpdglm

Distributed Generalized Linear Models

## Description

hpdglm function is intended to be a distributed alternative for glm function.

## Usage

```
hpdglm(responses, predictors, family=gaussian, weights=NULL, na_action="exclude", start=NULL, etastart=NULL, mustart=NULL, offset=NULL, control=list(...), method="hpdglm.fit.Newton", completeModel=FALSE, ...)
```

## Arguments

responses	the darray that contains the vector of responses.
predictors	the darray that contains the vector of predictors. hpdglm() cannot accept a predictor with constant value. Moreover, a categorical predictor should be decoded (converted to several predictors) before applying hpdglm().
family	it specifies the family function for regression. The supported family-links at the time of this writing are gaussian(identity), binomial(logit), and poisson(log). The mentioned links are the default ones for their families; so, specifying them is optional. The default family is Gaussian.
weights	it is an optional darray of 'prior weights' to be used in the fitting process. It has a single column. The number of rows and its number of blocks should be the same as responses. The values should not be negative (greater than or equal to zero). Weight zero on a sample makes it be ignored.
na_action	it indicates what should happen when the data contain missed values. Values of NA, NaN, and Inf in samples are treated as missed values. There are two options for this argument exclude and fail. When exclude is selected (the default choice), the weight of any sample with missed values will become zero, and that sample will be ignored in the fitting process. In the darray which will be created for residuals, the value corresponding to these samples will be NA. When fail is selected, the function will stop in the case of any missed value in the dataset.
start	starting values for coefficients. It is optional.
etastart	starting values for parameter 'eta' which is used for computing deviance. It should be of type darray. It is optional.
mustart	starting values for mu 'parameter' which is used for computing deviance. It should be of type darray. It is optional.
offset	an optional darray which can be used to specify an _a priori_ known component to be included in the linear predictor during fitting.
control	an optional list of controlling arguments. The optional elements of the list and their default values are: epsilon = 1e-8, maxit = 25, trace = FALSE, rigorous = FALSE.

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method this argument reserved for the future improvement. The only available fitting

method at the moment is "hpdglm.fit.Newton". In the future, if we have new developed algorithms, this argument can be used to switch between them.

completeModel

when it is FALSE (default), the output values that have darray structure will be

discarded.

arguments to be used to form the default control argument if it is not supplied

directly.

#### **Details**

predictors and responses must align with each other (have the same number of rows and the same number of blocks).

#### Value

coefficients

calculated coefficients

d.residuals (only when completeModel=TRUE) the working residuals, that is the residuals

in the final iteration of the IWLS fit. Since cases with zero weights are omitted,

their working residuals are NA. It is of type darray.

d.fitted.values

(only when completeModel=TRUE) the fitted mean values, obtained by transforming the linear predictors by the inverse of the link function. It is of type

darray.

family the family function used for regression

d.linear.predictors

(only when completeModel=TRUE) the linear fit on link scale. It is of type

darray.

deviance up to a constant, minus twice the maximized log-likelihood.

aic a version of Akaike's An Information Criterion, minus twice the maximized log-

likelihood plus twice the number of parameters, computed by the aic component

of the family.

null.deviance

the deviance for the null model, comparable with deviance.

iter the number of iterations of IWLS used.

prior.weights

(only when completeModel=TRUE) the weights initially supplied. All of its values are 1 if no initial weights used. It is of type darray. The value of weight

will become 0 for the samples with invalid data (NA, NaN, Inf).

weights (only when completeModel=TRUE) the working weights, that is the weights in

the final iteration of the IWLS fit. It is of type darray. In order to save memory and execution time, no new darray will be created for weights when the initial

weights are all 0 or 1, and it will simply be a reference to prior.weights.

df.residual the residual degrees of freedom.

df.null the residual degrees of freedom for the null model.

converged logical. Was the IWLS algorithm judged to have converged?

boundary logical. Is the fitted value on the boundary of the attainable values?

responses (only when completeModel=TRUE) the darray of responses.

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predictors (only when completeModel=TRUE) the darray of predictors.

na\_action this item exists only when a few samples are excluded because of missed data. It is a list containing type "exclude" and the number of excluded samples.

call the matched call.

offset (only when completeModel=TRUE) the offset darray used.

control the value of the control argument used.

method the name of the fitter function used, currently always "hpdglm.fit.Newton".

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#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
    ## Example for logistic regression
   library(HPdregression)
   distributedR_start()
    # selecting 4 partitions
    Y <- as.darray(as.matrix(mtcars$am),c(ceiling(length(mtcars$am)/4),1))
    colnames(Y) <- "am"
   X <- as.darray(as.matrix(cbind(mtcars$wt, mtcars$hp)),</pre>
                    c(ceiling(length(mtcars$hp)/4),2))
   colnames(X) <- c("wt", "hp")</pre>
    # building logistic regression model
   myModel <- hpdglm(Y, X, binomial)</pre>
   summary (myModel)
    ## Example for linear regression
   require (MASS)
   y <- matrix(Boston$medv,ncol=1)</pre>
   n <- nrow(y)
   x <- matrix(c(Boston$rad,Boston$crim,Boston$ptratio,Boston$dis),ncol=4)
    # selecting the number of partitions the same as the number of R-executors
   nparts <- sum(distributedR_status()$Inst)</pre>
   block_row <- ceiling(n/nparts)</pre>
    # creating the darray of response
   Y <- as.darray(y, c(block_row,1))
   colnames(Y) <- c("medv")</pre>
    # creating the darray of predictors
   X <- as.darray(x, c(block_row,4))</pre>
   colnames(X) <- c("rad", "crim", "ptratio", "dis")</pre>
    # building linear regression model
    reg <- hpdglm(Y,X)</pre>
    summary(reg)
## End(Not run)
```

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#### **Description**

Auxiliary function for hpdglm fitting. Typically only used internally by hpdglm.fit, but may be used to construct a control argument to either function.

## Usage

## **Arguments**

epsilon It is used to adjust desired accuracy of the result.

It is the maximu, number of iterations before achieving the desired accuracy.

When this argument is true, intermediate steps of the progress are displayed.

When this argument is true, some extra checks are performed during fitting procedure. For example, mu and eta may be validating in each iteration to check if the fitted values are outside of the domain. Usually these checks are time consuming; therefore, the default value for this argument is FALSE.

#### Value

A list with components named as the arguments.

## **Examples**

predict.hpdglm

Predict Method for hpdglm fits

## Description

It produces predicted values, obtained by evaluating the regression function on provided new data.

## Usage

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#### **Arguments**

object	a built model of type hpdglm.
newdata	a matrix or a darray containing predictors of new samples.
type	the type of prediction required which can be "link" or "response".
na.action	a function to determine what should be done with missing values. At this version it is always na.pass (reserved for future improvement).
mask	a darray with a single column, and 0 or 1 as the value of its elements. It indicates which samples (rows) should be considered in the calculation.
trace	when this argument is true, intermediate steps of the progress are displayed.
	further arguments passed to or from other methods.

#### **Details**

This function produces predicted values, obtained by evaluating the regression function on provided new data. New data can be either a darray or a normal matrix.

#### Value

The output is a matrix or a darray, depending to the type of newdata, which contains predicted values for response.

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## **Examples**

residuals.hpdglm Extract Residuals of an hpdglm Model

## Description

This function extracts model residuals of an hpdglm model in a darray. The abbreviated function is resid. This function is only available for complete models.

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#### **Usage**

#### **Arguments**

object an hpdglm model
type can be "deviance", "pearson", "working", "response", or "partial".
trace when TRUE, intermediate steps of the progress are displayed.

#### Value

darray of residuals

## **Examples**

summary.hpdglm

Summarizing The Model Made by hpdglm

## **Description**

This function prints a summary of the learned model.

#### Usage

## Arguments

object	a result of a call to hpdglm.
dispersion	the dispersion parameter for the family used. Either a single numerical value or ${\tt NULL}$ (the default), when it is inferred from object).
correlation	logical; if $\mathtt{TRUE},$ the correlation matrix of the estimated parameters is returned and printed.
symbolic.cor	logical. If ${\tt TRUE},$ print the correlations in a symbolic form (see ${\tt symnum})$ rather than as numbers.
trace	when TRUE, intermediate steps of the progress are displayed.

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summary.hpdglm returns an object of class "summary.hpdglm", a list with components

#### Value

```
call
                 the component from object.
family
                 the component from object.
deviance
                 the component from object.
df.residual
                 the component from object.
null.deviance
                 the component from object.
df.null
                 the component from {\tt object}.
deviance.resid
                 (only when completeModel=TRUE) the deviance residuals: see residuals.hpdglm.
coefficients the matrix of coefficients, standard errors, z-values and p-values. Aliased coef-
                 ficients are omitted.
                 named logical vector showing if the original coefficients are aliased.
aliased
dispersion
                 either the supplied argument or the inferred/estimated dispersion if the latter is
                 NULL.
df
                 a 3-vector of the rank of the model and the number of residual degrees of free-
                 dom, plus number of non-aliased coefficients.
cov.unscaled the unscaled (dispersion = 1) estimated covariance matrix of the esti-
                 mated coefficients.
cov.scaled
                 ditto, scaled by dispersion.
correlation (only if correlation is true.) The estimated correlations of the estimated
                 coefficients.
symbolic.cor (only if correlation is true.) The value of the argument symbolic.cor.
                 it contains the minimum and the maximum of the deviance residuals.
minMax
```

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## **Examples**

v.hpdgIm

v.hpdglm Split-Sample-Validation Method for hpdglm Models	
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#### **Description**

This function is implemented for evaluating a model built by hpdglm using Split-Sample-Validation method (This function is only available for complete models). In simple words, a percent of the data is randomly selected as test data, and a new model is built using the rest. Finally, the prediction cost of the new model on the test data is measured.

## Usage

## **Arguments**

responses the darray that contains the vector of responses.

predictors the darray that contains the vector of predictors.

hpdglmfit a built model of type hpdglm.

percent the percent of data which should be set aside for validation.

sampling\_threshold

threshold for the method of sampling (centralized or distributed). It should be always smaller than 1e9. When (blockSize > sampling\_threshold || nSample > 1e9), the distributed sampling is selected in which a percent of each block is selected for test data. Here, blockSize is the number of samples in each partition of predictors, and nSample is the total number of samples in predictors.

#### **Details**

In order to randomly select the validation set, sample.int function of R is used. This function does not support sample space bigger than 1e9; moreover, it is slow for big numbers. Therefore, when the number of samples in each block of darray becomes bigger than sampling\_threshold, instead of purely random selection on the master side, each block will randomly contribute its portion to validation set in a distributed fashion. When the ratio of number of samples in each block to the total number of blocks is huge, the skew of randomness is negligible, but performance will be improved.

#### Value

call	the original call to v.hpdglm
percent	the percent value used at the input
delta	a vector of length two. The first component is the raw validation estimate of prediction error. The second component is the adjusted validation estimate. Lower cost indicates better fitting. In more detail, the 1st-cost is prediction cost of new model on test data, and the 2nd-cost is [1st-cost + (cost of the old model on all data - the cost of the new model on all data)]

seed the value of .Random.seed when v.hpdglm was called.

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