# Package 'PReMiuM'

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# Description

Dirichlet process Bayesian clustering and functions for the post-processing of its output.

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Program to implement Dirichlet Process Bayesian Clustering as described in Liverani et al. 2013. Previously this project was called profile regression.

#### **Details**

# **PReMiuM** provides the following:

- Implements an infinite Dirichlet process model
- Can do dependent or independent slice sampling (Kalli et al., 2011) or truncated Dirichlet process model (Ishwaran and James, 2001)
- Handles categorical or Normal covariates, or a mixture of them
- Handles Bernoulli, Binomial, Categorical, Poisson or Normal responses
- Handles inclusion of fixed effects in the response model
- Handles Extra Variation in the response (for Bernoulli, Binomial and Poisson response only)
- Handles variable selection (tested in Discrete covariate case only)
- Includes label switching moves for better mixing
- Allows user to exclude the response from the model
- Allows user to compute the entropy of the allocation

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- Allows user to run with a fixed alpha or update alpha (default)
- Allows users to run predictive scenarios (at C++ run time)
- Basic or Rao-Blackwellised predictions can be produced
- · Handling of missing data
- C++ for model fitting
- Uses Eigen Linear Algebra Library and Boost C++
- Completely self contained (all library code in included in distribution)
- Adaptive MCMC where appropriate
- R package for generating simulation data and post processing
- R plotting functions allow user choice of what to order clusters by

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## **Examples**

calcAvgRiskAndProfile Calculation of the average risks and profiles

# **Description**

Calculation of the average risks and profiles.

## Usage

```
calcAvgRiskAndProfile(clusObj, includeFixedEffects=F)
```

## Arguments

clusObj Object of type clusObj. includeFixedEffects

By default this is set to FALSE. If it is set to FALSE then the risk profile is computed with the parameters beta of the fixed effects assumed equal to zero. If it is set to TRUE, then risk profile at each sweep is computed adjusting for the sample of the beta parameter at that sweep.

## Value

A list with the following components. This is an object of type riskProfileObj.

riskProfClusObj

The object of type clusObj as given in the input of this function.

risk

A matrix that has a column for each cluster and a row for each sweep. Each element of the matrix represents the estimated risk at each sweep for each cluster.

profile	An array whose first dimension is the number of sweeps, the second is the num-
	ber of clusters, the third is the number of discrete covariates and the fourth is the
	number of categories of each of the covariates. Each element of the array repre-
	sents the covariate profile at each sweep for each cluster. The fourth dimension
	does not exists if the covariate type is Normal. If the covariate type is mixed,

and 'profileMu'.

profileStar This is NULL if there has not been any variable selection. otherwise it contains

A vector of length of the optimal number of clusters, where each value is the empiricals

empirical mean of the outcome for each cluster.

profileStdDev An array whose first dimension is the number of sweeps, the second is the num-

> ber of clusters, the third and the fourth are the number of continuous covariates. Each square matrix identified by the first and second dimension of the array represents the standard deviation at each sweep for each cluster. This element is

> then instead of this element, the two elements below are defined, 'profilePhi'

only available if the covariate type is continuous or mixed.

profilePhi This array is the equivalent of the 'profile' above for discrete covariates in case

of mixed covariates.

This array is defined as profile and profilePhi, but the values are computed only profileStarPhi

> if a variable selection procedure has been run. The definition of the star profile is given in Liverani, S., Hastie, D. I. and Richardson, S. (2013) PReMiuM: An

R package for Bayesian profile regression.

This array is the equivalent of the 'profile' above for Normal covariates in case profileMu

of mixed covariates.

profileStarMu This array is defined as profile and profileMu, but the values are computed only

> if a variable selection procedure has been run. The definition of the star profile is given in Liverani, S., Hastie, D. I. and Richardson, S. (2013) PReMiuM: An

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```
## Not run:
generateDataList <- clusSummaryBernoulliDiscrete()</pre>
inputs <- generateSampleDataFile(generateDataList)</pre>
```

calcDissimilarityMatrix

Calculates the dissimilarity matrix

# **Description**

Calculates the dissimilarity matrix.

## Usage

calcDissimilarityMatrix(runInfoObj, onlyLS=FALSE)

## **Arguments**

runInfo0bj Object of type runInfoObj.

onlyLS Logical. It is set to FALSE by default. When it is equal to TRUE the dissimilar-

ity matrix is not returned and the only method available to identify the optimal partition using 'calcOptimalClustering' is least squares. This parameter is to be used for datasets with many subjects, as C++ can compute the dissimilarity matrix but it cannot pass it to R for usage in the function 'calcOptimalClustering'. As guidance, be aware that a dataset with 85,000 subjects will require a RAM

of about 26Gb, even if onlyLS=TRUE.

## Value

Need to write this

disSimRunInfoObj

These are details regarding the run and in the same format as runInfoObj.

disSimMat The dissimilarity matrix, in vector format. Note that it is diagonal, so this con-

tains the upper triangle diagonal entries.

disSimMatPred The dissimilarity matrix, again in vector format as above, for the predicted sub-

jects.

1sOptSweep The optimal partition among those explored by the MCMC, as defined by the

least squares method. See Dahl (2006).

onlyLS Logical. If it set to TRUE the only method available to identify the optimal

partition using 'calcOptimalClustering' is least squares.

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## **Examples**

```
generateDataList <- clusSummaryBernoulliDiscrete()</pre>
inputs <- generateSampleDataFile(generateDataList)</pre>
runInfoObj<-profRegr(yModel=inputs$yModel, xModel=inputs$xModel,</pre>
    nSweeps=10, nBurn=20, data=inputs$inputData, output="output",
    covNames=inputs$covNames,nClusInit=15)
dissimObj<-calcDissimilarityMatrix(runInfoObj)</pre>
```

calcOptimalClustering Calculation of the optimal clustering

#### **Description**

Calculates the optimal clustering.

# Usage

```
calcOptimalClustering(disSimObj, maxNClusters=NULL, useLS=F)
```

## **Arguments**

disSimObi	A dissimilarity ma	atrix (in ve	ector format.	as the outr	out of the	function cal	lcDis-
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similarityMatrix(), and as described in ?calcDissimilarityMatrix) or a list of dis-

similarity matrix, to combine the output of several runs of the MCMC.

maxNClusters Set the maximum number of clusters allowed. This is set to the maximum num-

ber explored.

useLS This is set to FALSE by default. If it is set to TRUE then the least-squares

> method is used for the calculation of the optimal clustering, as described in Molitor et al (2010). Note that this is set to TRUE by default if disSimObj\$onlyLS

is set to TRUE.

## Value

the output is a list with the following elements. This is an object of type clusObj.

clusObjRunInfoObj

Details on this run. An object of type runInfoObj.

clusterSizes Cluster sizes.

clusteringPred The predicted cluster memberships for the predicted scenarios.

clusObjDisSimMat

Dissimilarity matrix.

clustering Cluster memberships.

nClusters Optimal number of clusters.

avgSilhouetteWidth

Average silhouette width when using medoids method for clustering.

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# **Description**

Calculates the predictions.

## Usage

## **Arguments**

riskProf0bj Object of type riskProfObj.

predictResponseFileName

If this function is run after the function profRegr, and outcome (and possibly fixed effects) are known for the predicted profiles, then there is no need to set this, as the function profRegr will have produced a file ending in "\_predict-Full.txt". This file allows the computation of measures of fit for cross-validation. If the file has not been produced automatically, it can be produced manually and it can be provided here. We discourage this and we provide no documentation for doing so.

doRaoBlackwell By default this is set to FALSE. If it is set to TRUE then Rao-Blackwell predictions are computed.

fullSweepPredictions

By default this is set to FALSE. If it is set to TRUE then a prediction is computed for each sweep.

fullSweepLogOR By default this is set to FALSE. If it is set to TRUE then a prediction log OR is computed for each sweep.

#### Value

rmse

The output is a list with the following elements.

bias The bias of the predicted values with respect to the observed outcome. If the response is not provided, this is set to NA.

The root mean square error of the predicted values with respect to the observed

outcome. If the response is not provided, this is set to NA.

mae The mean absolute error of the predicted values with respect to the observed

outcome. If the response is not provided, this is set to NA.

observedY The values of the outcome provided by the user. This is in the case that predic-

tions are run as a validation tool. If the response is not provided, this is set to

NA.

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predictedY This matrix has as many rows as predictions requested by the user. It is the mean

of the predicted values over all the sweeps that have been run after the burn-in

period.

doRaoBlackwell This is set to TRUE if it has done Rao-Blackwell predictions, and FALSE oth-

erwise.

predictedYPerSweep

This array has the first dimension equivalent to the number of sweeps and the second dimension as large as the number of predictions requested by the user. It

contains the predicted values per sweep.

logORPerSweep This array has the first dimension equivalent to the number of sweeps and the

second dimension as large as the number of predictions requested by the user. It contains the predicted log OR values per sweep (not available for Poisson and

Normal outcome).

#### **Details**

This functions computes predicted responses, for various prediction scenarios. It is assumed that the predictive allocations and Rao-Blackwell predictions have already been done in profRegr using the 'predict' input.

The user can provide the function profRegr with a data.frame through the predict argument. This data.frame has a row for each subject, where each row contains values for the response, fixed effects and offset / number of trials (depending on the response model) where available. Missing values in this data.frame are denoted by 'NA'. If the data.frame is not provided then the response, fixed effect and offset data is treated as missing for all subjects. If a subject is missing fixed effect values, then the mean value or 0 category fixed effect is used in the predictions (i.e. no fixed effect contribution to predicted response). If the offset / number of trials is missing this value is taken to be 1 when making predictions. If the response is provided for all subjects, the predicted responses are compared with the observed responses and the bias and rmse are computed.

The function can produce predicted values based on simple allocations (the default), or a Rao-Blackwellised estimate of predictions, where the probabilities of allocations are used instead of actually performing a random allocation.

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```
## Not run:
inputs <- generateSampleDataFile(clusSummaryBernoulliDiscrete())</pre>
# prediction profiles
preds < -data.frame(matrix(c(0, 0, 1, 0, 0,
0, 0, 1, NA, 0), ncol=5, byrow=TRUE))
colnames(preds)<-names(inputs$inputData)[2:(inputs$nCovariates+1)]</pre>
# run profile regression
runInfoObj<-profRegr(yModel=inputs$yModel, xModel=inputs$xModel,</pre>
    nSweeps=100, nBurn=1000, data=inputs$inputData, output="output",
    covNames=inputs$covNames,predict=preds)
# postprocessing
dissimObj <- calcDissimilarityMatrix(runInfoObj)</pre>
clusObj <- calcOptimalClustering(dissimObj)</pre>
riskProfileObj <- calcAvgRiskAndProfile(clusObj)</pre>
clusterOrderObj <- plotRiskProfile(riskProfileObj, "summary.png",</pre>
    whichCovariates=c(1,2))
output_predictions <- calcPredictions(riskProfileObj,fullSweepPredictions=TRUE)
# example where the fixed effects can be provided for prediction
# but the observed response is missing
# (there are 2 fixed effects in this example).
# in this example we also use the Rao Blackwellised predictions
inputs <- generateSampleDataFile(clusSummaryPoissonNormal())</pre>
# prediction profiles
predsPoisson<- data.frame(matrix(c(7, 2.27, -0.66, 1.07, 9,
     -0.01, -0.18, 0.91, 12, -0.09, -1.76, 1.04, 16, 1.55, 1.20, 0.89,
     10, -1.35, 0.79, 0.95), ncol=5, byrow=TRUE))
colnames(predsPoisson)<-names(inputs$inputData)[2:(inputs$nCovariates+1)]</pre>
# run profile regression
runInfoObj<-profRegr(yModel=inputs$yModel,</pre>
         xModel=inputs$xModel, nSweeps=100,
         nBurn=100, data=inputs$inputData, output="output",
         covNames = inputs$covNames, outcomeT="outcomeT",
         fixedEffectsNames = inputs$fixedEffectNames,predict=predsPoisson)
# postprocessing
dissimObj<-calcDissimilarityMatrix(runInfoObj)</pre>
clusObj<-calcOptimalClustering(dissimObj)</pre>
riskProfileObj<-calcAvgRiskAndProfile(clusObj)</pre>
output_predictions <- calcPredictions(riskProfileObj,fullSweepPredictions=TRUE)
# example where both the observed response and fixed effects are present
#(there are no fixed effects in this example, but
# these would just be added as columns between the first and last columns).
```

```
inputs <- generateSampleDataFile(clusSummaryPoissonNormal())</pre>
# prediction profiles
predsPoisson<- data.frame(matrix(c(NA, 2.27, -0.66, 1.07, NA,
     -0.01, -0.18, 0.91, NA, -0.09, -1.76, 1.04, NA, 1.55, 1.20, 0.89,
     NA, -1.35, 0.79, 0.95), ncol=5, byrow=TRUE))
colnames(predsPoisson)<-names(inputs$inputData)[2:(inputs$nCovariates+1)]</pre>
# run profile regression
runInfoObj<-profRegr(yModel=inputs$yModel,</pre>
         xModel=inputs$xModel, nSweeps=10,
         nBurn=20, data=inputs$inputData, output="output",
         covNames = inputs$covNames, outcomeT="outcomeT",
         fixedEffectsNames = inputs$fixedEffectNames,
         nClusInit=15, predict=predsPoisson)
# postprocessing
dissimObj<-calcDissimilarityMatrix(runInfoObj)</pre>
clusObj<-calcOptimalClustering(dissimObj)</pre>
riskProfileObj<-calcAvgRiskAndProfile(clusObj)</pre>
output_predictions <- calcPredictions(riskProfileObj,fullSweepPredictions=TRUE)</pre>
## End(Not run)
```

 ${\tt clusSummaryBernoulliDiscrete}$ 

Sample datasets for profile regression

# **Description**

Definition of skeleton of sample datasets for profile regression.

# Usage

```
clusSummaryBernoulliDiscrete()
clusSummaryBinomialNormal()
clusSummaryCategoricalDiscrete()
clusSummaryNormalDiscrete()
clusSummaryNormalNormal()
clusSummaryPoissonDiscrete()
clusSummaryPoissonNormal()
clusSummaryVarSelectBernoulliDiscrete()
clusSummaryBernoulliMixed()
```

#### Value

The output of these function is a list with the following components. These can be used as inputs for profile regression function profRegr().

outcomeType The outcome type of the dataset.

covariateType The covariate type of the dataset.

The number of covariates generated.

nCategories The number of categories of the covariates if the covariates are discrete or mixed.

nFixedEffects The number of fixed effects.

fixedEffectsCoeffs

The names of the fixed effects.

missingDataProb

The pobability of generating missing data.

nClusters The number of clusters.

clusterSizes The number of observations in each cluster.

clusterData The dataset, including the outcome, the covariates, the fixed effects, the number

of trials (if Binomial outcome) and the offset (for Poisson outcome).

covNames The names of the covariates of the dataset.

nDiscreteCovs The number of discrete covariates, if the covariate type is mixed.

nContinuousCovs

The number of continuous covariates, if the covariate type is mixed.

outcomeT The name of the column of the dataset containing the number of trials (if Bino-

mial outcome) or the offset (for Poisson outcome).

## Details

clusSummaryBernoulliDiscrete generates a dataset with Bernoulli outcome and discrete covariates. clusSummaryBinomialNormal generates a dataset with Binomial outcome and discrete covariates. clusSummaryCategoricalDiscrete generates a dataset with categorical outcome and discrete covariates.

clusSummaryNormalDiscrete generates a dataset with Normal outcome and discrete covariates. clusSummaryNormalNormal generates a dataset with Normal outcome and Normal covariates.

clusSummaryPoissonDiscrete generates a dataset with Poisson outcome and discrete covariates.

clusSummaryPoissonNormal generates a dataset with Poisson outcome and Normal covariates.

clusSummaryVarSelectBernoulliDiscrete generates a dataset with Bernoulli outcome and discrete covariates, suitable for variable selection as some covariates are not driving the clustering.

clusSummaryBernoulliMixed generates a dataset with Bernoulli outcome and mixed covariates.

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## **Examples**

clusSummaryBernoulliDiscrete()

computeRatioOfVariance

computeRatioOfVariance

## **Description**

Computes of the ratio between the variance of the extra variation and the total variance.

# Usage

computeRatioOfVariance(runInfoObj)

# **Arguments**

This function can only be used when the extra variation is included in the response model.

Object of type runInfoObj

## Value

runInfoObj

For each sweep this function outputs the ratio between the variance of the thetas' and the sum of the variances of the thetas' and the extra variation epsilon as described in Liverani et al. (2013).

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generateSampleDataFile

Generate sample data files for profile regression

# Description

Generation of random sample datasets for profile regression.

## Usage

```
generateSampleDataFile(clusterSummary)
```

#### **Arguments**

clusterSummary A vector of strings of the covariate names as by the column names in the data argument.

## Value

The output of this function is a list with the following elements

yModel The outcome model according to which the data has been generated. xModel The covariate model according to which the data has been generated.

inputData The data.frame that contains the data.

covNames The names of the covariates.

fixedEffectNames

The names of the fixed effects.

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```
# generation of data for clustering
generateDataList <- clusSummaryBernoulliDiscrete()
inputs <- generateSampleDataFile(generateDataList)</pre>
```

is, whole number

is.wholenumber

Function to check if a number is a whole number

## **Description**

Function to check if a number is whole, accounting for a rounding error.

## Usage

```
is.wholenumber(x, tol = .Machine$double.eps^0.5)
```

# **Arguments**

The number to be checked.

tol Tolerance level.

#### Value

The default method for 'is.wholenumber' returns 'TRUE' if the number provided is a whole number.

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```
is.wholenumber(4) # TRUE
is.wholenumber(3.4) # FALSE
```

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Marginal Model Posterior

# **Description**

Compute the marginal model posterior.

## Usage

```
margModelPosterior(runInfoObj)
```

## **Arguments**

runInfoObj

An object of type runInfoObj.

## Value

It returns a file in the output folder, with name ending in "\_margModPost.txt", that contains the marginal model posterior. It also returns the mean of the values of the marginal model posterior as they appear in the file ending in "\_margModPost.txt" in the output folder.

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plotRiskProfile

Plot the Risk Profiles

## **Description**

Plots the risk profiles for a profile regression model.

## Usage

```
plotRiskProfile(riskProf0bj, outFile, showRelativeRisk=F,
    orderBy=NULL, whichClusters=NULL,
    whichCovariates=NULL, useProfileStar=F)
```

## **Arguments**

riskProf0bj An object of type riskProf0bj.

outFile Path and file name to save the plot.

showRelativeRisk

Whether to show the relative risk (with respect to the risk of the first cluster).

This option is not available for Normal outcome.

orderBy Order by which the clusters are to be displayed. It can take values "Empirical",

"ClusterSize" and "Risk" (the latter only if the outcome is provided). It can also take the name of a covariate to order the clusters, in which case the clusters are

ordered.

whichClusters Either a vector of indeces that corresponds to the clusters that are to be displayed.

The length of this vector must be greater than 1. The default is that all clusters

are shown.

whichCovariates

Either a vector of indeces or a vector of strings that corresponds to the covariates that are to be displayed. The length of this vector must be greater than 1. The

default is that all covariates are shown.

useProfileStar To be set equal to TRUE only if a variable selection procedure has been run. The

definition of the star profile is given in Liverani, S., Hastie, D. I. and Richardson,

S. (2013) PReMiuM: An R package for Bayesian profile regression.

#### Value

This function creates a png plot saved in the path given by outFile. All clusters are visually displayed together.

For discrete covariates, instead of plotting the probability that a phi is above or below the mean value, we plot the actual phi values (and plot the mean value across clusters as a horizontal line).

For normal covariates, for each covariate the upper plot is the posterior distribution for the mean mu, and the lower plot is the posterior distribution of sqrt(Sigma[j,j]) (i.e. the standard deviation for that covariate).

It also returns the following vector.

meanSortIndex This vector is the index that represents the order that the clusters are represented. The default ordering is by empirical risk.

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## **Examples**

profRegr

Profile Regression

## Description

Fit a profile regression model.

#### **Usage**

```
profRegr(covNames, fixedEffectsNames, outcome="outcome",
    outcomeT=NA, data, output="output", hyper, predict,
    nSweeps=1000, nBurn=1000, nProgress=500, nFilter=1,
    nClusInit, seed, yModel="Bernoulli", xModel="Discrete",
    sampler="SliceDependent", alpha=-1, excludeY,
    extraYVar=FALSE, varSelectType="None", entropy,reportBurnIn=FALSE,
    run=TRUE, discreteCovs, continuousCovs)
```

#### **Arguments**

covNames

A vector of strings of the covariate names as by the column names in the data argument.

fixedEffectsNames

A vector of strings of the fixed effect names as by the column names in the data argument. Each fixed effect must be of class 'numeric'. If a fixed effect is of class 'character', an error message will appear and the fixed effect will need to be recoded as numeric.

outcome A string of column of the data argument that contains the outcome. The outcome

cannot have missing values - you could consider predicting the value of the

outcome for those subjects for which it has not been observed.

outcomeT A string of column of the data argument that contains the offset (for Poisson

outcome) or the number of trials (for Binomial outcome).

data A data frame which has as columns the outcome, the covariates, the fixed effects

if any and the offset (for Poisson outcome) or the number of trials (for Binomial outcome). The outcome cannot have missing values - you could consider predicting the value of the outcome for those subjects for which it has not been

observed.

output Path to folder to save all output files. The covariates can have missing values,

which must be coded as 'NA'. There cannot be missing values in the fixed effects

- if there are, use an imputation method before using profile regression.

Object of type setHyperparams with hyperparameters specifications. This is optional, default values are provided for all hyperparameters. See ?setHyper-

params for details.

predict Data frame containing the predictive scenarios. This is only required if predic-

tions are requested.

At each iteration the predictive subjects are assigned to one of the current clusters according to their covariate profiles (but ignoring missing values), or their Rao Blackwellised estimate of theta is recorded (a weighted average of all theta,

weighted by the probability of allocation into each cluster.

The predictive subjects have no impact on the likelihood and so do not determine the clustering or parameters at each iteration. The predictive allocations are then recorded as extra entries in each row of the output\_z.txt file. This can then be processed in the post processing to create a dissimilarity matrix with the fitting subjects. The post processing function calcPredictions will create predicted

response values for these subjects.

See ?calcPredictions for more details and examples.

Number of iterations of the MCMC after the burn-in period. By default this is nSweeps

1000.

Number of initial iterations of the MCMC to be discarded. By default this is nBurn

If TRUE then the burn in iterations are reported in the output files, if set to reportBurnIn

FALSE they are not. It is set to FALSE by default.

The number of sweeps at which to print a progress update. By default this is

500.

hyper

nProgress

nFilter The frequency (in sweeps) with which to write the output to file. The default value is 1. nClusInit The number of clusters individuals should be initially randomly assigned to (Unif[50,60]). seed The value for the seed for the random number generator. The default value is the current time. yModel The model type for the outcome variable. The options currently available are "Bernoulli", "Poisson", "Binomial", "Categorical" and "Normal". The default value is Bernoulli. The model type for the covariates. The options currently available are "DisxModel crete", "Normal" and "Mixed". The default value is "Discrete". sampler The sampler type to be used. Options are "SliceDependent", "SliceIndependent" and "Truncated". The default value is "SliceDependent". alpha The value to be used if alpha is to remain fixed. If a negative value is used then alpha is updated. The default value is -1. excludeY If included only the covariate data X is modelled. By default this is not included. extraYVar If set equal to TRUE extra Gaussian variance is included in the response model. By default the extra Gaussian variance is not included, so extraYVar=FALSE. varSelectType The type of variable selection to be used "None", "BinaryCluster" or "Continuous". The "BinaryCluster" variable selection is the implementation of the novel variable selection formulation proposed by Papathomas, Molitor, Hoggart, Hastie, Richardson (2012) "Exploring data from genetic association studies using Bayesian variable selection and the Dirichlet process: application to searching for gene x gene patterns" in Genetic Epidemiology. The "Continuous" variable selection is based on the method proposed by Chung and Dunson (2009) "Nonparametric Bayes conditional distribution modelling with variable selection" in the Journal of the American Statistical Association. Both types of variable selection can be used with discrete, continuous or mixed covariates. The default value is "None". If included then we compute allocation entropy. By default the allocation enentropy tropy is not included. Logical. If TRUE then the MCMC is run. Set run=FALSE if the MCMC has run been run already and it is only required to collect information about the run. discreteCovs The names of the discrete covariates among the covariate names, if xModel="Mixed". This and continuousCovs must be defined if xModel="Mixed", while covNames is ignored. The names of the discrete covariates among the covariate names, if xModel="Mixed". continuousCovs This and continuousCovs must be defined if xModel="Mixed", while covNames

#### Value

is ignored.

Once the C++ has completed the output from fitting the regression is stored in a number of text files in the directory specified. Files are produced containing the MCMC traces for all of the values of

interest, along with a log file and files for monitoring the acceptance rates of the adaptive Metropolis Hastings moves.

It returns a number of files in the output directory as well as a list with the following elements. This an object of type runInfoObj.

directoryPath String. Directory path of the output files.

fileStem String. The

inputFileName String. Location and file name of input dataset as created by this function for

the C++ routines

nSweeps Integer. The number of sweeps of the MCMC after the burn-in.

nBurn Integer. The number of iterations in the burn-in period of the MCMC.

reportBurnIn Logical. Whether the output of the burn-in report should be included.

nFilter Integer. The frequency (in sweeps) with which to write the output to file.

nProgress The number of sweeps at which to print a progress update.

nSubjects Integer. The number of subjects.

nPredictSubjects

Integer. The number of subjects for which to run predictions.

fullPredictFile

Logical. It is FALSE by default. It is equal to TRUE if the outcome or the outcome and the fixed effects were included in the dataframe provided in the input predict. If TRUE, the function will have a produced a file ending in "\_predictFull.txt" which contains the values of the outcome and fixed effects for the computation of measures of fit in the function calcPredictions.

A vector of strings with the names of the covariates.

xModel String. The model type for the covariates.

includeResponse

covNames

Logical. If FALSE only the covariate data X is modelled.

yModel String. The model type for the outcome.

varSelect Logical. If FALSE no variable selection is performed.

varSelectType String. It specifies what type of variable selection has been performed, if any.

nCovariates Integer. The number of covariates.

nFixedEffects Integer. The number of fixed effects.

nCategoriesY Integer. The number of categories of the outcome, if yModel = "Categorical". It

is 1 otherwise.

nCategories Vector of integers. The number of categories of each covariate, if xModel =

"Discrete". It is 1 otherwise.

extraYVar TRUE if extra Gaussian variance is included in the response model.

xMat A matrix of the covariate data.

yMat A matrix of the outcome data, including the offset if the outcome is Poisson and

the number of trials if the outcome is Binomial.

wMat A matrix of the fixed effect data.

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# **Examples**

setHyperparams

Definition of characteristics of sample datasets for profile regression

# Description

Hyperparameters for the priors can be specified here and passed as an argument to profRegr.

The user can specify some or all hyperparameters. Those hyperparameters not specified will take their default values. Where the file is not provided, all hyperparameters will take their default values.

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# Usage

```
setHyperparams(shapeAlpha=NULL,rateAlpha=NULL,
    useReciprocalNCatsPhi=NULL,aPhi=NULL,mu0=NULL,Tau0=NULL,R0=NULL,
    kapp0=NULL,muTheta=NULL,sigmaTheta=NULL,dofTheta=NULL,muBeta=NULL,
    sigmaBeta=NULL,dofBeta=NULL,shapeTauEpsilon=NULL,
    rateTauEpsilon=NULL,aRho=NULL,bRho=NULL,shapeSigmaSqY=NULL,
    scaleSigmaSqY=NULL,rSlice=NULL,truncationEps=NULL)
```

# Arguments

shapeAlpha	The shape parameter for Gamma prior on alpha (default=1.0)
rateAlpha useReciprocalNO	The inverse-scale (rate) parameter for the Gamma prior on alpha (default=0.5) CatsPhi
	Boolean denoting whether the vector phi_j (for covariate j) have all elements equal (only used in the discrete covariate case, default=true)
aPhi	The vector of parameters for the Dirichlet prior on phi_j. Element j corresponds to covariate j which then has a prior Dirichlet(aPhi[j],aPhi[j],,aPhi[j]). (Only used in discrete case if useReciprocalNCatsPhi is false, default= $(1\ 1\ 1\\ 1)$ )
mu0	The mean vector for mu_c in the Normal covariate case (only used in Normal covariate case, default=empirical covariate means)
Tau0	The precision matrix for mu_c in the Normal covariate case (only used in Normal covariate case, default=inverse of diagonal matrix with elements equal to squareof empirical range for each covariate)
R0	The matrix parameter for the Wishart distribution for Tau_c (only used in Normal covariate case, default=1/nCovariates * inverse of empirical covariance matrix)
kapp0	The degrees of freedom parameter for the Wishart distribution for Tau_c (only used in Normal covariate case, default=nCovariates).
muTheta	The location parameter for the t-Distribution for the ta_c (only used if response included in model, default=0)
sigmaTheta	The scale parameter for the t-Distribution for the ta_c (only used if response included in model, default=2.5)
dofTheta	The degrees of freedom parameter for the t-Distribution for the ta_c (only used if response included in model, default=7)
muBeta	The location parameter for the t-Distribution for beta (only used when fixed effects present, default= $0$ )
sigmaBeta	The scale parameter for the t-Distribution for beta (only used when fixed effects present, default= $2.5$ )
dofBeta	The dof parameter for the t-Distribution for beta (only used when fixed effects present, default=7)
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Shape parameter for gamma distribution for prior for precision tau of extra variation errors epsilon (only used if extra variation is used i.e. extra YVar argument is included, default=5.0)

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rateTauEpsilon	Inverse-scale (rate) parameter for gamma distribution for prior for precision tau of extra variation errors epsilon (only used if extra variation is used i.e. extraY-Var argument is used, default=0.5)
aRho	Parameter for beta distribution for prior on rho in variable selection (default=0.5)
bRho	Parameter for beta distribution for prior on rho in variable selection (default=0.5)
shapeSigmaSqY	Shape parameter of inverse-gamma prior for sigma_Y^2 (only used in the Normal response model, default =2.5)
scaleSigmaSqY	Scale parameter of inverse-gamma prior for sigma_ $Y^2$ (only used in the Normal response model, default =2.5)
rSlice	Slice parameter for independent slice sampler such that $xi_c = (1-rSlice)*rSlice^c$ for $c=0,1,2,$ (only used for slice independent sampler i.e. sampler=SliceIndependent, default 0.75).
truncationEps	Parameter for determining the truncation level of the finite Dirichlet process (only used for truncated sampler i.e. sampler=Truncated

#### Value

The output of this function is a list with the components defined as above.

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```
hyp <- setHyperparams(shapeAlpha=3,rateAlpha=2,mu0=c(30,13),R0=3.2*diag(2))
inputs <- generateSampleDataFile(clusSummaryPoissonNormal())
runInfoObj<-profRegr(yModel=inputs$yModel,
    xModel=inputs$xModel, nSweeps=2, nClusInit=15,
    nBurn=2, data=inputs$inputData, output="output",
    covNames = inputs$covNames, outcomeT = inputs$outcomeT,
    fixedEffectsNames = inputs$fixedEffectNames,
    hyper=hyp)</pre>
```

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summariseVarSelectRho

## **Description**

This function summarises the posterior distribution of rho, a parameter for variable selection only.

# Usage

summariseVarSelectRho(runInfoObj)

#### **Arguments**

runInfoObj Object of type runInfoObj

#### Value

A list with the following elements.

rho A matrix that has as many columns as the number of covariates and as many

rows as the number of sweeps. This matrix records the samples from the poste-

rior distribution of rho for each covariate at each sweep.

rhoMean Vector with the column means of the matrix rho above. Each value corresponds

to the posterior mean of rho for each covariate.

rhoMedian Vector with the column medians of the matrix rho above. Each value corre-

sponds to the posterior median of rho for each covariate.

rhoLowerCI Vector with the column lower confidence intervals of the matrix rho above. Each

value corresponds to the lower confidence interval of the posterior distribution

of rho for each covariate.

rhoUpperCI Vector with the column upper confidence intervals of the matrix rho above. Each

value corresponds to the upper confidence interval of the posterior distribution

of rho for each covariate.

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```
inputs <- generateSampleDataFile(clusSummaryVarSelectBernoulliDiscrete())
runInfoObj<-profRegr(yModel=inputs$yModel,
    xModel=inputs$xModel, nSweeps=10, nClusInit=15,
    nBurn=20, data=inputs$inputData, output="output",
    covNames = inputs$covNames, varSelect="Continuous")
rho<-summariseVarSelectRho(runInfoObj)</pre>
```

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