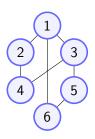
A partial orthogonalization method for simulating covariance and concentration graph matrices

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Symmetric positive definite matrices and undirected graphs



$$\begin{pmatrix} \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & 0 & 0 & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & 0 & \cdot & 0 & 0 \\ \cdot & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & 0 \\ 0 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdot & 0 & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdot & \cdot \end{pmatrix}$$

Given an undirected graph G = (V, E):

- $\mathcal{M}_G = \{ \mathbf{M} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p} \text{ s.t } m_{j,i} = m_{i,j} = 0 \text{ if } (i,j) \notin E \}$
- $\mathbb{S}(G) = \mathbb{S} \cap \mathcal{M}_G$ the set of symmetric matrices compatible with the graph G
- $\mathbb{S}^{>0}(G) = \mathbb{S}^{>0} \cap \mathcal{M}_G$ the set of symmetric positive definite matrices compatible with the graph G

Matrices in $\mathbb{S}^{>0}(G)$ parametrize Gaussian graphical models as covariance and concentration models.

To test structure recovering algorithm with synthetic dataset:

- \bullet Generate a random graph G
- **2** Generate $\Sigma \in \mathbb{S}^{>0}(G)$
- **3** Sample data from $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \mathbf{\Sigma})$ (or $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1})$)
- Use some structure learning algorithm over the generated dataset
- **5** Compare the known structure *G* with the recovered one

Diagonally dominant matrices

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cdot & 0.1980 & 0.3760 & 0 & 0 & 0.1797 \\ 0.1980 & \cdot & 0 & 0.4059 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.3760 & 0 & \cdot & 0.3938 & 0.9971 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.4059 & 0.3938 & \cdot & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.9971 & 0 & \cdot & 0.4481 \\ 0.1797 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.4481 & \cdot \end{pmatrix}$$

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- Generate a random matrix in $\mathbb{S}(G)$ (e.g. i.i.d. U(0,1))
- Choose the diagonal to make the matrix diagonally dominant (plus a random positive perturbation e.g. U(0,1))

- The diagonal dominance method is very fast and easy to implement, thus has been used extensively
- Difficulties arise when using this method in the validation of structure learning algorithm (Kramer et al. 2009, Cai et al. 2011)
- If $\mathbf{M} \in \mathbb{S}^{>0}(G)$ is generated with the diagonally dominance method then:

$$r_{i,j} = \frac{|m_{i,j}|}{m_{i,j}}$$
 are "small"

• In particular if we consider graphs with constant edge density and $p \to \infty$:

$$r_{i,j} < rac{|m_{i,j}|}{\sum_{i
eq i} |m_{i,j}|}
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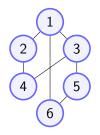
ullet For every full rank $\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$, $\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Q}^t \in \mathbb{S}^{>0}(G)$

$$\mathbf{\Sigma} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Q}^{t} = \begin{pmatrix} q_{1,1} & q_{1,2} & \dots & q_{1,p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ q_{i,1} & q_{i,2} & \dots & q_{i,p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ q_{p,1} & q_{p,2} & \dots & q_{p,p} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} q_{1,1} & \dots & q_{j,1} & \dots & q_{1,p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ q_{1,p} & \dots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ q_{1,p} & \dots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ q_{j,p} & \dots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ q_{j,p} & \dots & q_{p,p} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_{i,j} = \mathbf{q}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{q}_{j}$$

$$\sigma_{i,j} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{q}_{i} \perp \mathbf{q}_{j}$$

• Generate random $\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$ and then orthogonalize the appropriate rows



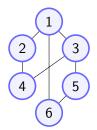
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-0.308	0.140	-0.054	0.026	0.068	0.218
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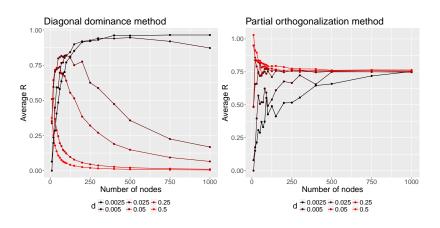
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$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \begin{pmatrix} 1.974 & 1.471 & 0.371 & 0 & 0 & -0.238 \\ 1.471 & 2.095 & 0 & 0.137 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.371 & 0 & 1.045 & 0.115 & 0.168 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.137 & 0.115 & 0.120 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.168 & 0 & 0.170 & -0.099 \\ -0.238 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -0.099 & 0.228 \end{pmatrix}$$

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- Compute $\mathbf{\Sigma} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Q}^t$

Numerical experiments: $R = \max_{i \neq j} r_{i,j} = \max_{i \neq j} \frac{|\sigma_{i,j}|}{\sigma_{i,i}}$



Numerical experiments: execution time

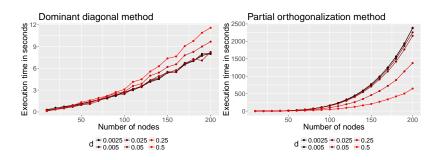
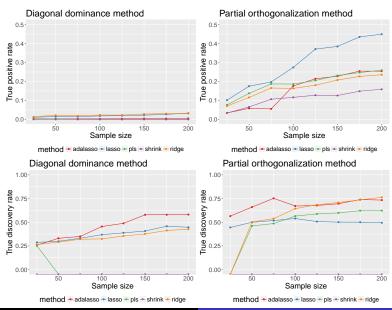


Figure: Execution time to simulate 5000 matrices.

Replication of the comparisons in Kramer et al. 2009



Implementation and R package

- The algorithm for partial orthogonalization is implemented in C
- Both methods can be found in the R package gmat available on CRAN
- The scripts to replicate the experiments are available at
 - https://github.com/irenecrsn/spdug



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# Generate a random undirected graph structure ug \leftarrow igraph :: sample\_gnp(n = 10, p = 0.25)
# Generate 10 matrices via partial orthogon. gmat:: port(N = 10, ug = ug)
# Generate 10 matrices via diagonal dominance gmat:: diagdom(N = 10, ug = ug)
```

Future work: Implementation and execution time

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1: \mathbf{Q} \leftarrow \text{random } p \times p \text{ matrix}
 2: for i = 1, ..., p do
           for i = 1, ..., i - 1 and j \nsim_G i do
 3:
 4:
               \tilde{\mathbf{q}}_i \leftarrow \mathbf{q}_i
                for k = 1, \ldots, j-1 and k \not\sim_G i do
 5:
                    \tilde{\mathbf{q}}_i \leftarrow \tilde{\mathbf{q}}_i - proj_{\tilde{\mathbf{q}}_{\iota}}(\tilde{\mathbf{q}}_i)
 6:
 7:
                end for
           end for
 8:
           for i = 1, \dots, i-1 and i \nsim_G i do
 9.
               \mathbf{q}_i \leftarrow \mathbf{q}_i - proj_{\tilde{\mathbf{q}}_i}(\mathbf{q}_i)
10:
           end for
11.
12: end for
13: return QQ<sup>t</sup>
```

For every row we need to compute the orthogonal basis of the space

$$\langle \mathbf{q}_j : i \not\sim_G j, j < i \rangle$$

We can use a part of the basis computed in the previous step

Future work: Induced distribution

- Given an initial random (i.i.d.) matrix how is the induced distribution on S^{>0}(G)?
- How different initial random matrices (e.g. Gaussian, uniform entries) affect the generated matrices?

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Thank you for the attention!