covdepGE versus HeteroGGM in heterogeneous structure recovery

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Problem statement

Here, we compare the performance of HeteroGGM to covdepGE though a simulation study. In this example, $X \in \mathbb{R}^{180 \times 5}$ and $Z \in \mathbb{R}^{180}$. Z is generated by drawing 60 times each from the uniform distribution on the intervals (-3,-1),(-1,1), and (1,3) (without loss of generality, we sort Z into ascending order). Then, we generate the l-th observation of X by drawing once from a 5 dimensional 0 mean Gaussian distribution with precision matrix $\Omega(z_l)$ defined as:

$$\Omega(z) = \begin{cases}
\Omega^{(1)}(z) & z \in (-3, -1) \\
\Omega^{(2)}(z) & z \in (-1, 1) \\
\Omega^{(3)}(z) & z \in (1, 3)
\end{cases}$$
(1)

Where $\Omega_1, \Omega_2, \Omega_3 \in \mathbb{R}^{5 \times 5}$ are defined as:

$$\left[\Omega^{(1)}(z)\right]_{j,k} = \begin{cases} 2 & j=k \\ 1 & (j,k) \in \{(1,2),(2,1),(2,3),(3,2)\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \left[\Omega^{(2)}(z)\right]_{j,k} = \begin{cases} 2 & j=k \\ \frac{1-z}{2} & (j,k) \in \{(1,2),(2,1)\} \\ \frac{1+z}{2} & (j,k) \in \{(1,3),(3,1)\} \\ 1 & (j,k) \in \{(2,3),(3,2)\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\left[\Omega^{(3)}(z)\right]_{j,k} = \begin{cases} 2 & j = k \\ 1 & (j,k) \in \{(1,3),(3,1),(2,3),(3,2)\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
 (3)

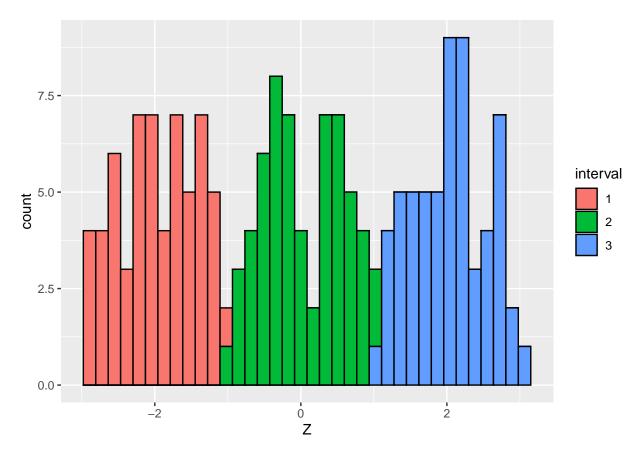
Thus, as z approaches -1 from the right, $\Omega(z)$ approaches $\Omega^{(1)}(z)$ (more formally, $\|\Omega(z) - \Omega^{(1)}(z)\|$ goes to 0). Similarly, as z approaches 1 from the left, $\Omega(z)$ goes to $\Omega^{(3)}(z)$. We visualize these precision matrices and the corresponding structures below.

Note that HeteroGGM will attempt to recover the precision matrices without any help from the extraneous covariate, while covdepGE uses the extraneous covariate to calculate similarity weights between the observations to facilitate sharing of information.

Data generation

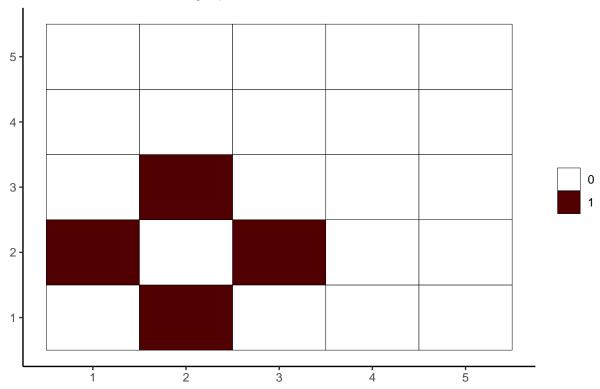
Here, we show how the data are generated.

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{\it\# dev tools::} install\_github ("JacobHelwig/covdepGE")
library(HeteroGGM)
## Warning: package 'HeteroGGM' was built under R version 4.1.3
library(mclust)
## Package 'mclust' version 5.4.7
## Type 'citation("mclust")' for citing this R package in publications.
library(covdepGE)
library(ggplot2)
## Warning: package 'ggplot2' was built under R version 4.1.3
# get the data
set.seed(1)
data <- generateData()</pre>
X <- data$X</pre>
Z <- data$Z
interval <- data$interval</pre>
prec <- data$true_precision</pre>
# get overall and within interval sample sizes
n <- nrow(X)
n1 <- sum(interval == 1)</pre>
n2 <- sum(interval == 2)</pre>
n3 <- sum(interval == 3)
# visualize the distribution of the extraneous covariate
ggplot(data.frame(Z = Z, interval = as.factor(interval))) +
  geom_histogram(aes(Z, fill = interval), color = "black", bins = n %/% 5)
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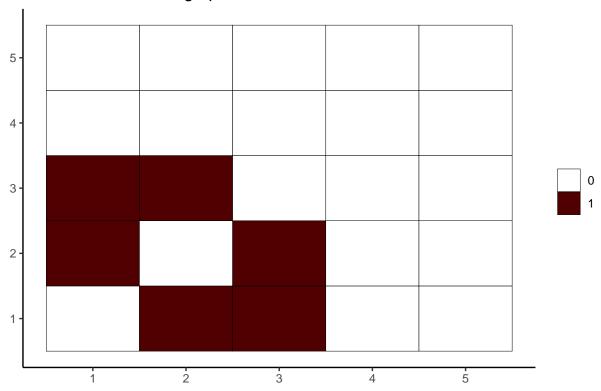
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True graph, observations 1,...,60



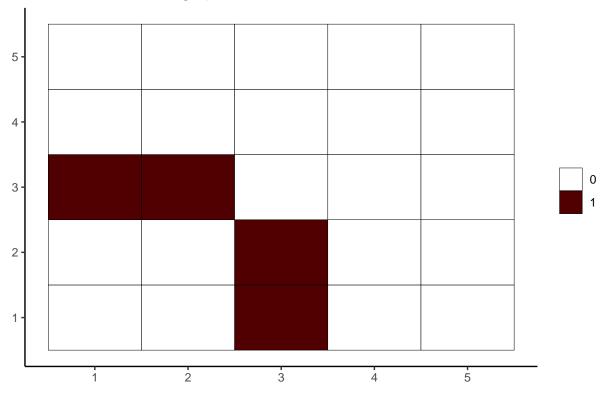
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True graph, observations 61,...,120



[[3]]





Comparison

In this section, we fit each of the methods, calculate sensitivity and specificity, and visualize the resulting structures.

covdepGE

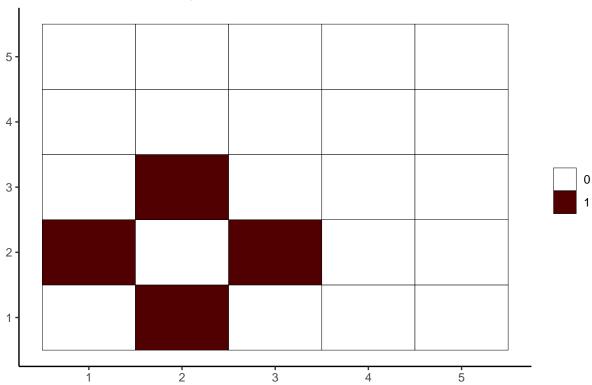
```
# covdepGE; factors paralellism along p
(out_covdepGE <- covdepGE(X, Z, parallel = T, num_workers = 5))

## Warning in covdepGE(X, Z, parallel = T, num_workers = 5): No registered workers
## detected; registering doParallel with 5 workers

## Covariate Dependent Graphical Model
##
## ELBO: -185642.35  # Unique Graphs: 3
## n: 180, variables: 5  # Whyperparameter grid size: 125 points
## Model fit completed in 3.84 secs</pre>
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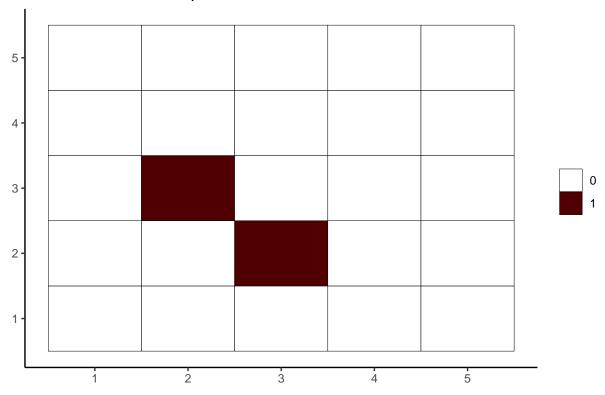
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Graph 1, observations 1,...,68



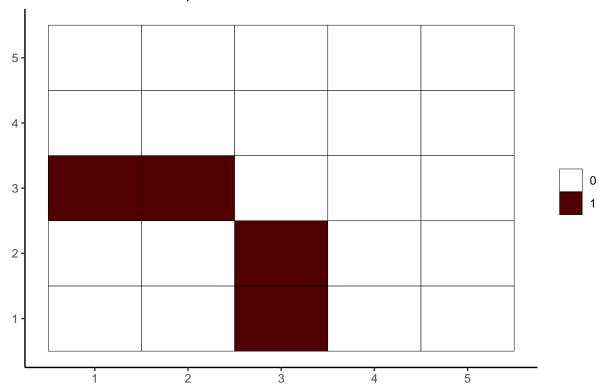
[[2]]

Graph 2, observations 69,...,95



[[3]]

Graph 3, observations 96,...,180



```
# calculate number of true edges and non-edges (mask out diagonal)
n <- nrow(X)
p <- ncol(X)
trueGraphs0 <- lapply(true_graphs, `+`, diag(rep(NA, p)))</pre>
trueGraphs <- array(unlist(trueGraphs0), dim = c(p, p, n))</pre>
num_true1 <- sum(trueGraphs, na.rm = T)</pre>
num_true0 <- sum(trueGraphs == 0, na.rm = T)</pre>
# calculate number of correctly detected edges
pred_graphs <- out_covdepGE$graphs$graphs</pre>
predGraphs <- array(unlist(pred_graphs), dim = c(p, p, n))</pre>
correct1 <- sum(predGraphs == trueGraphs & trueGraphs == 1, na.rm = T)</pre>
# calculate number of correctly detected non-edges
correct0 <- sum(predGraphs == trueGraphs & trueGraphs == 0, na.rm = T)</pre>
# display sensitivity and specificity
sens <- correct1 / num_true1</pre>
spec <- correct0 / num_true0</pre>
cat("\nSensitivity:", round(sens, 3))
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##

Sensitivity: 0.793

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cat("\nSpecificity:", round(spec, 3))

##
## Specificity: 1

rm(list = c("pred_graphs", "predGraphs", "correct1", "correct0", "sens", "spec"))
```

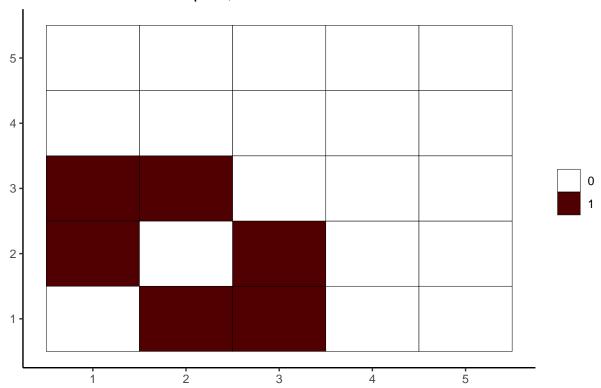
HeteroGGM

[1] 1.0 0.2 5.0

```
# get the optimal graphs and best hyperparameters
best_hyp <- out_hetGGM$Opt_num</pre>
ggm_prec <- out_hetGGM$Theta_hat.list[[best_hyp]]</pre>
ggm_inds <- out_hetGGM$member.list[[best_hyp]]</pre>
ggm_graphs <- (ggm_prec != 0) * 1 - replicate(dim(ggm_prec)[3], diag(ncol(data$X)))</pre>
graphs_arr <- ggm_graphs[ , , ggm_inds]</pre>
graphs <- vector("list", dim(graphs_arr)[3])</pre>
for (j in 1:length(graphs)) graphs[[j]] <- graphs_arr[ , , j]</pre>
# get the unique graphs and find which observations they correspond to
unique_graphs <- unique(graphs)</pre>
unique_sum <- vector("list", length(unique_graphs))</pre>
names(unique_sum) <- paste0("graph", 1:length(unique_graphs))</pre>
# iterate over each of the unique graphs
for (j in 1:length(unique_graphs)){
  # fix the unique graph
  graph <- unique_graphs[[j]]</pre>
  # find indices of the observations corresponding to this graph
  graph_inds <- which(sapply(graphs, identical, graph))</pre>
  # split up the contiguous subsequences of these indices
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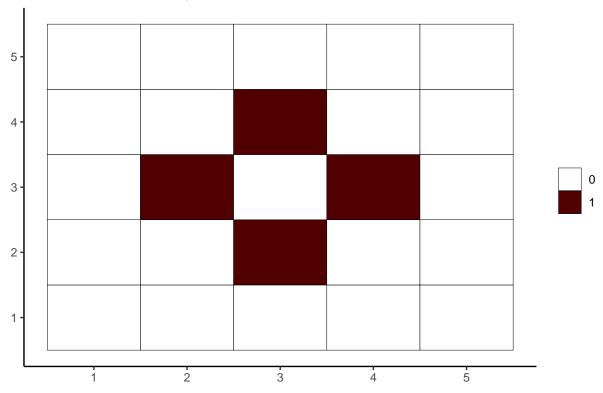
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Graph 1, observations 1 ... 61



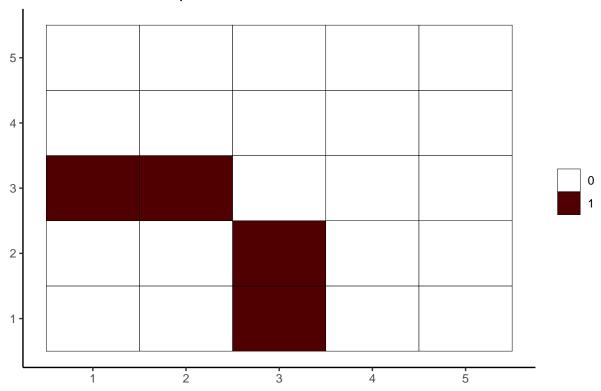
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Graph 2, observations 62 ... 120



[[3]]

Graph 3, observations 121 ... 180



```
# calculate number of correctly detected edges
correct1 <- sum(graphs_arr == trueGraphs & trueGraphs == 1, na.rm = T)

# calculate number of correctly detected non-edges
correct0 <- sum(graphs_arr == trueGraphs & trueGraphs == 0, na.rm = T)

# display sensitivity and specificity
sens <- correct1 / num_true1
spec <- correct0 / num_true0
cat("\nSensitivity:", round(sens, 3))

##
## Sensitivity: 0.719

cat("\nSpecificity: ", round(spec, 3))</pre>

##
## Specificity: 0.914
```