

Package ‘spqrs’

July 4, 2018

Type Package

Title Simultaneous Estimation Of Quantile Regression Functions Using
B-splines And Total Variation Penalty

Version 0.1.0

Author Jae-Hwan Jhong, Ja-yong Koo

Maintainer Jae-Hwan Jhong <jjh0925@korea.ac.kr>

Description This package contains functions for spqrs.

License GPL (>= 2)

Encoding UTF-8

LazyData true

Imports Rcpp (>= 0.12.13), ElemStatLearn

LinkingTo Rcpp

NeedsCompilation yes

R topics documented:

spqrs 1

Index 4

spqrs	<i>Simultaneous estimation of quantile regression functions using B-splines and total variation penalty</i>
-------	---

Description

spqrs fits spqrs given data.

Usage

```
spqrs(response, predictor, tau, degree, dimension = 10, tau_penalty = 0.5,  
       number_lambdas = 3, lambda_max = 1e+2, epsilon_lambda = 1e-10, maxiter = 500,  
       epsilon_iterations = 1e-6, non_crossing = FALSE)
```

Arguments

response	Numeric response vector of length n .
predictor	Numeric predictor vector of length n .
tau	multiple quantile τ 's interested. It should be sorted numeric vector within $[0, 1]$.
degree	Degree of B-splines. 0 fits constant, 1 fits linear, 2 fits quadratic, and 3 fits cubic splines.
dimension	Positive interger that decides maximum number of interior knots.
tau_penalty	Default is 0.5 that makes a general total variation penalty. It can be real value in $[0, 1]$.
number_lambdas	Numer of search for function smoothing
lambda_max	Positive real value that decides the maximum lambda value.
epsilon_lambda	Positive real value that decides the interval of lambda sequence. The smaller the value, the minimum lambda get smaller.
maxiter	Positive integer value that decides the maximum number of iterations.
epsilon_iterations	Positive real value that controls the iteration stopping criteria. In general, the smaller the value, convergence needs more iterations
non_crossing	Logical value that considers non-crossing constraint (TRUE) or not (FALSE). The non-crossing constraint only works when the degree is 0 and 1. Default is FALSE.

Details

This function develops an estimation of a finite number of quantile functions simultaneously using B-splines and the total variation penalty. For implementation of simultaneous quantile function estimators, a new coordinate descent algorithm taking care of a special structure of the total variation penalty determined by the B-spline coefficients is developed. For more details, see Jong and Koo (2018).

Value

A list contains the entire fits of tuning parameter values. For example, `result[[i]]` indicates the fit of i th lambda. Last index of the list contains the meta data such as BIC, AIC, lambda sequence.

Author(s)

Jae-Hwan Jong, Ja-Yong Koo

Source

This package is built on R version 3.4.3. with Rcpp.

References

Jae-Hwan Jong and Ja-Yong Koo. "Simultaneous estimation of quantile regression functions using B-splines and total variation penalty." Submitted to Computational Statistics and Data Analysis, in revision.

Examples

```
#Toy example for spqrs

# clear
rm(list = ls())
library(ElemStatLearn)
library(spqrs)
# data
data(bone)
BMD = bone[, c(2, 4)]
BMD = BMD[!duplicated(BMD[, 1]), ]
order_BMD = order(BMD[, 1])
BMD_order = BMD[order_BMD, ]
x = as.vector(BMD_order[, 1])
y = as.vector(BMD_order[, 2])
N = length(x)
degree = 3
dimension = round(N / 2)
tau = c(0.1, 0.3, 0.5, 0.7, 0.9)
tau_penalty = 0.5
number_lambdas = 50
epsilon_lambda = 1e-10
# fit
prs = spqrs(response = y, predictor = x, tau = tau, degree = degree,
            dimension = dimension, tau_penalty = tau_penalty,
            number_lambdas = number_lambdas,
            lambda_max = 1e+2,
            epsilon_lambda = epsilon_lambda,
            non_crossing = FALSE)

aic_index = which.min(prs[[number_lambdas + 1]]$aic_vector)

par(mfrow = c(1, 1), pty = "s")
# Best fit by AIC
plot(x, y, col = "gray", cex = 1.5,
     xlab = "Age", ylab = "Relative Change in Spinal BMD", cex.lab = 1.5, cex.axis = 1.5)
leg = rep(0, length(tau))
leg[1] = expression(paste(tau, " = ", "0.1"))
leg[2] = expression(paste(tau, " = ", "0.3"))
leg[3] = expression(paste(tau, " = ", "0.5"))
leg[4] = expression(paste(tau, " = ", "0.7"))
leg[5] = expression(paste(tau, " = ", "0.9"))
legend("topright", legend = leg, lty = c(2:6), lwd = 1.5, cex = 1.5)
for(i in 1:length(tau))
{
  tt = knots2t(prs[[aic_index]]$knots_list[[i]] , degree = degree)
  basis = bsplines(x, tt, degree = degree)
  fit = basis %*% prs[[aic_index]]$coefficients_list[[i]]
  lines(x, fit, lwd = 2, lty = i + 1)
}
```

Index

spqrs, [1](#)