Using the hdInference package

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The hdInference package contains the implementations of likelihood ratio test for a subset of parameters in Gaussian graphical model. The testing problem can be formalized as:

$$\hat{\theta}^{(0)} = \underset{\theta}{\arg\max} \ L_n(\theta) \quad \text{subject to:} \sum_{i \notin B} p_{\tau}(|\theta_i|) \le K \text{ and } \theta_B = 0$$

$$\hat{\theta}^{(1)} = \underset{\theta}{\arg\max} \ L_n(\theta) \quad \text{subject to:} \sum_{i \notin B} p_{\tau}(|\theta_i|) \le K,$$

where $L_n(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log p_{\theta}(X_i)$ is the log-likelihood for Gaussian graphical model, $p_{\tau}(x) = \min(x/\tau, 1)$ is the truncated L_1 function as the surrogate function of L_0 function, and (K, τ) are nonnegative tuning parameters. The details of proposal can be found in Zhu, Y., Shen, X., Pan, W. (2020). On High-Dimensional Constrained Maximum Likelihood Inference.

Using glasso_nonconvex_constrained_cv function

To use the glasso_nonconvex_constrained_cv function in our hdInference package, you need to specify

- 1. **sim**: a list containing a $n \times d$ data matrix;
- 2. **bound**: a vector of upper bounds for the constraint (K in above testing problem);
- 3. tau: tuning parameter for the truncated L_1 penalty (τ in above testing problem);
- 4. **num.fold**: fold number for cross validation.

We next elaborate the details of applying glasso_nonconvex_constrained_cv function with a real data example.

Real data example

We consider the ADNI-1 baseline data (adni.loni.usc.edu) for brain network analysis in our real example. To load ADNI-1 baseline data, type in R console

```
library(hdInference);
path_to_data=system.file("extdata", "ADNILongiBaseLine2.csv", package = "hdInference");
```

After loading the data, we extracted the cortical thicknesses for p = 68 regions of interest (ROIs) and focus on 5 features in our real data example.

```
ROI.index = 2:69
feature.index = 70:74
sr_data = read.table(file=path_to_data,header=TRUE,sep=",")
n = dim(sr_data)[1]
p = length(ROI.index)
condition = c("LMCI","AD","CN")

res.mat = matrix(0,n,length(ROI.index))
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for (i in ROI.index)
{
   data.tmp = sr_data[,c(i,feature.index)]
   tmp.fit = lm(data.tmp)
   res.mat[,i-1] = tmp.fit$residuals
}

sim = list(data = res.mat,sigmahat = cor(res.mat))
bound = p*c(9,10,11)
cv.score = glasso_nonconvex_constrained_cv(sim,bound)

#> CV fold: 1
#> CV fold: 2
#> CV fold: 3
#> CV fold: 4
#> CV fold: 5
bound.best.all = bound[which.min(apply(cv.score,2,mean))]
bound.best.all
#> [1] 612
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