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#### **Description**

This package deals with RCON models for paired data and implements an Alternating Directions Method of Multipliers (ADMM) algorithm to solve a penalized likelihood method. Also functions for the computation of maximum likelihood estimates and for the generation of simulated pdRCON models and data are provided.

#### **Details**

An RCON model for paired data (pdRCON model) is a coloured Gaussian Graphical Model (GGM) where the p variables are partitioned into a Left block L and a right block R. The two blocks are not independent, every variable in the left block has an homologous variable in the right block and certain types of equality Restrictions on the entries of the CONcentration matrix K are allowed. A pdRCON model is represented by a Coloured Graph for Paired Data (pdColG) with a vertex for every variable and where every vertex and edge is either *coloured* or *uncoloured*. More details on the equality constraints of pdRCON models as of submodels of interest are given in the following.

#### pdRCON models - terminology and relevant submodels

A pdRCON model is a Gaussian Graphical Model with additional equality restrictions on the entries of the concentration matrix. In the paired data framework, there are three different types of equality restrictions of interest, identified with the names *vertex*, *inside block edge* and *across block edge*, respectively. Relevant submodels can be specified both by allowing different combinations of restriction types and by forcing different types of fully symmetric structures. In this package, different submodels are identified by the arguments type and force.symm and models are represented by coloured graphs for paired data encoded in the form of a pdColG matrix.

- Every variable in L has an homologous variable in R and the corresponding diagonal entries of K can be constrained to have equal value. Such entries of K are represented by *coloured vertices* of the independence graph whereas the unconstrained diagonal entries are represented by *uncoloured vertices*. Different types of submodels of interest may be obtained by (i) not allowing coloured vertices, (ii) allowing both coloured and uncoloured vertices and (iii) allowing only coloured vertices.
- For every pair of variables in L there exists an homologous pair of variables in R, thereby identifying a pair of homologous edges. If both edges are present in the graph the corresponding off-diagonal entries of K can be constrained to have equal value. These type of edges are referred to as coloured symmetric inside block edges. Different types of submodels of interest may be obtained by (i) not allowing coloured inside block edges, (ii) allowing both coloured and uncoloured inside block edges and (iii) allowing only coloured inside block edges.
- We say that two variables are *across-block* if one variable belongs to L and the other to R. For every pair of non-homologous across-block variables there exists an homologous pair across-block variables, thereby identifying a pair of homologous edges. If both edges are present in the graph the corresponding off-diagonal entries of K can be constrained to have equal value. These type of edges are referred to as *coloured symmetric across block edges*. Different types of submodels of interest may be obtained by (i) not allowing coloured across block edges, (ii) allowing both coloured and uncoloured across block edges and (iii) allowing only coloured

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across block edges, with the exception of edges joining a variable in L with its homologous in R.

We remark that coloured edges always belong to a pair of coloured symmetric edges, either
inside or across blocks. On the other hand, for an uncolored edge its homologous edge may
or may not be present in the graph. In the case where an uncoloured edge and its homologous
are both present we say that they form a pair of uncoloured symmetric edges, either inside or
across blocks.

#### Use of the arguments type and force.symm for model type specification

The functions of this package make it possible to specify different types of pdRCON submodels of interest through the arguments type and force.symm which can both take as value any subvector of the character vector c("vertex", "inside.block.edge", "across.block.edge"); note that the names of the components can be abbreviated down, up to the first letter only, and are not case-sensitive. The argument type cannot be NULL and:

- If type contains the string "vertex" then coloured vertex symmetries are allowed and, if in addition also force.symm contains the string "vertex", then all vertices are coloured.
- If type contains the string "inside.block.edge" then coloured inside block edge symmetries are allowed and, if in addition also force.symm contains the string "inside.block.edge", then only coloured edges are allowed inside blocks.
- If type contains the string "across.block.edge" then coloured across block edge symmetries are allowed and, if in addition also force.symmcontains the string "across.block.edge", then only coloured edges are allowed across blocks, with the exception of edges joining a variable in L with its homologous in R.

## Model representation through the pdColG matrix

Every pdRCON model is uniquely represented by a Coloured Graph for Paired Data (pdColG) implemented in the form of a  $p \times p$  symmetric matrix, where every entry is one of the values 0, 1 or 2, as follows:

- The diagonal entries of the pdColG matrix are all equal to either 1, for uncoloured vertices, or 2, for coloured vertices.
- The off-diagonal entries of the pdColG matrix are equal to 0 for missing edges and either 1 or 2 for present edges, where the value 2 is used to encode coloured edges.

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admm.pdglasso

ADMM graphical lasso algorithm for coloured GGMs for paired data.

## **Description**

By providing a covariance matrix S and values for lambda1 and lambda2, this function estimates a concentration matrix X under the coloured graphical model for paired data, using the (adaptive) ADMM algorithm. The output is the matrix and a list of internal parameters used by the function, together with the specific call in terms of symmetries and penalties required by the user.

## Usage

```
admm.pdglasso(
 S,
 lambda1 = 1,
  lambda2 = 1e-04,
  type = c("vertex", "inside.block.edge", "across.block.edge"),
  force.symm = NULL,
 X.init = NULL,
  rho1 = 1,
  rho2 = 1,
  varying.rho1 = TRUE,
  varying.rho2 = TRUE,
 max_iter = 1000,
  eps.abs = 1e-12,
  eps.rel = 1e-12,
  verbose = FALSE,
  print.type = TRUE
```

## **Arguments**

5	a $p \times p$ covariance (or	r correlation) matrix.

lambda1 a non-negative scalar (or vector) penalty that encourages sparsity in the concen-

tration matrix. If a vector is provided, it should match the appropriate length,

1.e.

lambda2 a non-negative scalar (or vector) penalty that encourages equality constraints in

the concentration matrix. If a vector is provided, it should match the appropriate

length, i.e.

type, force.symm

 $two \ subvectors \ of \ c("vertex", "inside.block.edge", "across.block.edge")$ 

which identify the pdRCON (sub)model of interest; see pdglasso for details.

X. init (optional) A  $p \times p$  initial guess for the concentration matrix and/or starting so-

lution for the ADMM algorithm.

rho1 a scalar; tuning parameter of the ADMM algorithm to be used for the outer loop.

It must be strictly positive.

rho2 a scalar; tuning parameter of the ADMM algorithm to be used for the inner loop.

It must be strictly positive.

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varying.rho1	a logical; if TRUE the parameter rho1 is updated iteratively to speed-up convergence.
varying.rho2	a logical; if TRUE the parameter ${ m rho}2$ is updated iteratively to speed-up convergence.
max_iter	an integer; maximum number of iterations to be run in case the algorithm does not converge.
eps.abs	a scalar; the absolute precision required for the computation of primal and dual residuals of the ADMM algorithm.
eps.rel	a scalar; the relative precision required for the computation of primal and dual residuals of the ADMM algorithm.
verbose	a logical; if TRUE the progress (and internal convergence of inner loop) is shown in the console while the algorithm is running.
print.type	a logical; if TRUE the acronym used for the model - which penalties - is returned as printed output in the console.

#### Value

A list containing the following components:

- X, the estimated concentration matrix under the pdglasso model; the model is identified by the values of lambda1 and lambda 2, together with the type of penalization imposed.
- acronyms, a vector of strings for the type of penalties and forced symmetries imposed when calling the function.
- internal.par, a list of internal parameters passed to the function at the call, as well as convergence information.

# **Examples**

```
S <- cov(toy_data$sample.data)
admm.pdglasso(S)</pre>
```

compute.eBIC

Compute the extended Bayesian Information Criterion (eBIC).

### **Description**

The function computes the value of the eBIC for a given model and gamma value, for the purpose of model selection.

# Usage

```
compute.eBIC(S, mod, n, gamma.eBIC = 0.5)
```

eBIC equivalent to BIC.

## **Arguments**

S a  $p \times p$  covariance (or correlation) matrix. mod a list, the output object of a call to admm. pdglasso n the sample size of the data used to compute the sample covariance matrix S. gamma.eBIC a parameter needed to compute the eBIC; ranges from 0 to 1, where 0 makes the pdColG.get

## Value

A vector containing three elements:

- the value of the eBIC,
- the log-likelihood,
- and the estimated number of degrees of freedom.

## **Examples**

```
S <- cov(toy_data$sample.data)
mod <- admm.pdglasso(S, lambda1=1, lambda2=0.5)
compute.eBIC(S,mod,n=60,gamma.eBIC=0.5)</pre>
```

pdColG.get

Build a graph from the output of a call to admm.pdglasso.

# Description

Description here.

# Usage

```
pdColG.get(admm.out, th1 = NULL, th2 = NULL, print.summary = FALSE)
```

## **Arguments**

admm.out	An object of list type, that is the output of a call to the admm-pdglasso function.
th1	(optional) A scalar, the threshold to identify edges in the graph; it must be non-negative.
th2	(optional) A scalar, the threshold to identify coloured edges in the graph; it must be non-negative.
print.summary	(optional) if TRUE provides summary statistics of the graph.

## Value

a list, containing:

- g, the graph in matrix form.
- dof, the degrees of freedom corresponding to the graph build under the pdglasso model provided.

# Examples

```
S <- cov(toy_data$sample.data)
mod.out <- admm.pdglasso(S)
pdColG.get(mod.out)</pre>
```

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pdColG.summarize	Structural properties of a coloured graph for paired data

## **Description**

This function returns some summary statistics relative to the structural properties of a coloured graph for paired data  $\mathcal{G}$ . We refer to pdglasso both for the description of the matrix encoding a coloured graph for paired and details on how the structural quantities are defined and computed.

## Usage

```
pdColG.summarize(pdColG, print.summary = TRUE)
```

## **Arguments**

```
pdColG a matrix representing coloured graph for paired data \mathcal{G}.

print.summary a logical (default TRUE) indicating whether a summary should be printed.
```

#### Value

An invisible list with the following components:

- overall a list with the number of vertices and edges of  $\mathcal{G}$ .
- vertex a list with the number of coloured vertices of  $\mathcal{G}$ .
- inside a list with the number of inside block edges, the number of uncolored symmetric and coloured inside block edges of  $\mathcal{G}$ .
- across a list with the number of across block edges, the number of uncolored symmetric and coloured across block edges of  $\mathcal{G}$ .

If print.summary=TRUE some summary statistics are also printed on the screen.

# Examples

```
#
pdColG.summarize(toy_data$pdColG)
```

```
pdRCON.fit Fit and select a coloured GGM for paired data according to eBIC criterion.
```

### **Description**

Performs a sequence of calls to admm.pdglasso providing two grids of values for lambda1 and lambda2. First, a grid search conditional on lambda2=0 is run to select the best lambda1 value among the candidates (according to eBIC); conditional on the best lambda1, a similar search is performed for lambda2. The output is the select model, given by the estimated concentation matrix and corresponding graph.

pdRCON.fit

# Usage

```
pdRCON.fit(
  S,
  n,
  n.11 = 15,
  n.12 = 15,
  gamma.eBIC = 0.5,
  type = c("vertex", "inside.block.edge", "across.block.edge"),
  force.symm = NULL,
  X.init = NULL,
  rho1 = 1,
  rho2 = 1,
  varying.rho1 = TRUE,
  varying.rho2 = TRUE,
  max_iter = 1000,
  eps.abs = 1e-12,
  eps.rel = 1e-12,
  verbose = FALSE,
  print.type = TRUE
)
```

# **Arguments**

S	a $p \times p$ covariance (or correlation) matrix.
n	the sample size of the data used to compute the sample covariance matrix S.
n.11	the number of values in the grid of candidates for lambda1.
n.12	the number of values in the grid of candidates for lambda2.
gamma.eBIC	the parameter for the eBIC computation. gamma=0 is equivalent to BIC.
type, force.sym	nm
	two subvectors of c("vertex", "inside.block.edge", "across.block.edge") which identify the pdRCON (sub)model of interest; see pdglasso for details.
X.init	(optional) A $p \times p$ initial guess for the concentration matrix and/or starting solution for the ADMM algorithm.
rho1	a scalar; tuning parameter of the ADMM algorithm to be used for the outer loop. It must be strictly positive.
rho2	a scalar; tuning parameter of the ADMM algorithm to be used for the inner loop. It must be strictly positive.
varying.rho1	a logical; if TRUE the parameter rho1 is updated iteratively to speed-up convergence.
varying.rho2	a logical; if TRUE the parameter rho2 is updated iteratively to speed-up convergence.
max_iter	an integer; maximum number of iterations to be run in case the algorithm does not converge.
eps.abs	a scalar; the absolute precision required for the computation of primal and dual residuals of the ADMM algorithm.
eps.rel	a scalar; the relative precision required for the computation of primal and dual residuals of the ADMM algorithm.

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verbose a logical; if TRUE the progress (and internal convergence of inner loop) is shown

in the console while the algorithm is running.

print.type a logical; if TRUE the acronym used for the model - which penalties - is returned

as printed output in the console.

#### Value

A list containing the following elements:

- model, the final model;
- pdColG, the associated coloured graph;
- best.lambdas, the selected values of lambda1 and lambda2 according to eBIC criterion,
- 11.path, a matrix containing the grid values for lambda1 as well as quantities used in eBIC computation;
- 12.path, a matrix containing the grid values for lambda2 as well as quantities used in eBIC computation.

## **Examples**

```
S <- cov(toy_data$sample.data)
pdRCON.fit(S,n=60)</pre>
```

pdRCON.mle

Maximum likelihood estimate

# Description

Computes the m.l.e. of the concentration matrix of a colured graphical model for paired data.

# Usage

```
pdRCON.mle(S, pdColG, verbose = TRUE)
```

# **Arguments**

S a sample variance and covariance matrix.

pdColG a coloured graph for paired data.

## Value

the m.l.e. of the concentration matrix  $\Sigma^{-1}$ .

## **Examples**

#

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pdRCON.simulate

Random simulation of pdRCON models

#### **Description**

Randomly generates a coloured graph for paired data  $\mathcal{G}$ , a concentration matrix K adapted to  $\mathcal{G}$ and a random sample from a multivariate normal distribution with zero mean vector and covariance matrix  $\Sigma = K^{-1}$ .

# Usage

```
pdRCON.simulate(
  concent.mat = TRUE,
  sample = TRUE,
  Sigma = NULL,
  sample.size = NULL,
  type = c("vertex", "inside.block.edge", "across.block.edge"),
  force.symm = NULL,
  dens = 0.1,
  dens.vertex = NULL,
  dens.inside = NULL,
  dens.across = NULL
)
```

## **Arguments**

an even integer, that is the number of vertices of the generated coloured graph g

for paired data pdCo1G.

concent.mat a logical (default TRUE) indicating whether a concentration matrix K adapted to

pdCo1G should be generated.

sample a logical (default TRUE) indicating whether a sample from a normal distribution

with zero mean vector and concentration matrix K should be generated.

Sigma a  $p \times p$  positive definite matrix. This the matrix argument of the rWishart

function, which is used as starting point in the random generation of the concentration matrix, as described in the details section below. The default NULL is

equivalent to the identity matrix Sigma=diag(p).

sample.size size of the randomly generated sample. The default NULL is equivalent to sample.size=3\*p.

type, force.symm

two subvectors of c("vertex", "inside.block.edge", "across.block.edge") which identify the pdRCON (sub)model of interest; see pdglasso for details.

dens, dens.vertex, dens.inside, dens.across

four values between zero and one used to specify the sparsity degree of the generated graph, as described in the details section below. The default dens.vertex=NULL is equivalent to dens.vertex=dens, and similarly for dens.inside and dens.across. pdRCON.simulate 11

#### **Details**

## Details on the sparsity degree of the generated graph

The argument dens.vertex specifies the proportion of coloured vertices among the p vertices. This is used if the string "vertex" is a component of type but not of force.symm. The string "vertex" not being a component of type is equivalent to dens.vertex=0 whereas the string "vertex" being a component of both type and force.symm is equivalent to dens.vertex=1.

The argument dens.inside specifies the proportion of coloured symmetric inside block edges among the q(q-1)/2, with q=p/2, inside block edges. This is used if the string "inside.block.edge" is a component of type, otherwise it is equivalent to dens.inside=0. The overall density of inside block edges is obtained by the sum of the densities of coloured and uncoloured inside block edges. This is a value between dens.inside and dens.inside+dens. Furthermore, it is exactly equal to dens if "inside.block.edge" is not a component of type and to dens.inside if "inside.block.edge" is a component of both type and force.symm.

The argument dens.across specifies the proportion of coloured symmetric across block edges among the potentially coloured q(q-1)/2 across block edges. This is used if the string "across.block.edge" is a component of type, otherwise it is equivalent to dens.across=0. The overall density of across block edges is obtained by the sum of the densities of coloured and uncoloured across block edges. This is a value between dens.across and dens.across+dens. Furthermore, it is exactly equal to dens if "across.block.edge" is not a component of type.

The argument dens specifies the density of uncoloured edges. Note that the algorithm generates uncoloured edges first, which may be overwritten by coloured edges. For this reason the actual density of uncoloured edges is typically smaller than dens.

#### **Details on the generating process of the concentration matrix**

The concentration matrix is obtained by first generating a random Wishart matrix with matrix parameter Sigma and p degrees of freedom, which represents an initial unconstrained covariance matrix. This is inverted and adapted to a suitable coloured graph for paired data with sparsity degree according to the dens.xxx arguments.

#### Value

A list containing the following components:

- ullet pdColG the randomly generated coloured graph for paired data on p vertices; see pdglasso for details.
- K the randomly generated concentration matrix adapted to pdColG.
- sample.data the randomly generated sample form a multivariate normal distribution with mean vector zero and concentration matrix K.

Note that the variable in L are are named L1,...,Lq and variables in R are are named R1,...,Rq where Li is homologous to Ri for every i=1,...,q.

## **Examples**

```
# generates a pdRCON model on 10 variables in the form of a pdColG matrix
set.seed(123)
pdRCON.model <- pdRCON.simulate(10, concent=FALSE, sample=FALSE, dens=0.25)$pdColG
# generates a pdRCON model on 20 variables, a concentration matrix
# for this model and a sample of size 50
# all vertices are coloured and no coloured across block edge is allowed</pre>
```

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```
set.seed(123)
GenMod <- pdRCON.simulate(20, type=c("v", "i"), force.symm=c("v"), sample.size=50, dens=0.20)</pre>
```

toy\_data

 $\textit{Toy dataset generated through} \ \texttt{simul.pdColG} \textit{function}$ 

# Description

 $Data\ simulated\ by\ the\ function\ simul.\ pdColG\ with\ a\ call:\ toy\_data <-\ pdRCON.\ simulate(20,\ type=c("v",\ "i","a))$ 

# Usage

toy\_data

#### **Format**

toy\_data:

A list containing three elements:

- pdColG, a  $p \times p$  matrix describing the coloured graphical model,
- K, the concentration matrix associated to the model,
- sample.data, a data frame with 60 rows and 20 columns.

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