

# Package ‘RidgeVar’

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**Description** Provide several methods to estimate the error variance for high-dimensional linear regression models, which includes the ridge regression based method of Liu et al. (2019), the refitted cross validation of Fan et al. (2012), the maximum likelihood based method of Dicker and Erdogan (2016), and the moments based method of Dicker (2014).

**License** GPL (>= 2)

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**LazyData** true

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### Description

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### References

Liu, X., Zheng, S. and Feng, X. (2019). Estimation of error variance via ridge regression. Manuscript.

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| VAR_MLE | <i>Likelihood Based Variance Estimation in High-Dimensional Linear Models</i> |
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### Description

Use the maximum likelihood based method of Dicker and Erdogdu (2016) to estimate the residual variance in high-dimensional linear model.

### Usage

```
VAR_MLE(y,x,max.iter=50,tol=1e-4)
```

### Arguments

|          |   |
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| y        | A length $n$ vector of response.                    |
| x        | A $n \times p$ numeric design matrix for the model. |
| max.iter | Maximum number of iterations. Default is 50.        |
| tol      | Convergence threshold. Default is 1e-4.             |

### Value

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| sigma2 | The estimation of the residual variance. |
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## References

Dicker, L. H. and Erdogdu, M. A. (2016). Maximum likelihood for variance estimation in high-dimensional linear models. In Proceedings of the 19th International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS 2016), 159-167. JMLR Workshop & Conference Proceedings.

## Examples

```
n <- 60
p <- 100
beta <- c(sqrt(0.1/p)*rep(1,p/2),rep(0,p/2))
eps <- rnorm(n)
x <- matrix(rnorm(n*p),n,p)
y <- x%%beta+eps
fit <- VAR_MLE(y,x)
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| VAR_MM | <i>Moments Based Variance Estimation in High-Dimensional Linear Models</i> |
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## Description

Use the moments based method of Dicker (2014) to estimate the residual variance in high-dimensional linear model.

## Usage

```
VAR_MM(y,x,identity=F,Sigma=NULL)
```

## Arguments

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| y        | A length $n$ vector of response.   |
| x        | A $n \times p$ numeric design matrix for the model.  |
| identity | Logical indicating that the covariance of X is identity if identity=TRUE, and not if identity=FALSE. Default is FALSE. It is invalid if Sigma is not NULL. |
| Sigma    | A $p \times p$ matrix, which is the covariance of X. If Sigma=NULL, the sample covarince is given. Default is NULL.  |

## Value

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|--------|---|
| sigma2 | The estimator of the residual variance. |
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## References

Dicker, L. H. (2014). Variance estimation in high-dimensional linear models. *Biometrika* **101**, 269-284.

## Examples

```
n <- 60
p <- 100
beta <- c(sqrt(0.1/p)*rep(1,p/2),rep(0,p/2))
eps <- rnorm(n)
x <- matrix(rnorm(n*p),n,p)
y <- x%%beta+eps
fit <- VAR_MM(y,x)
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*Refitted Cross-Validation Based Variance Estimation in High-Dimensional Linear Models*


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## Description

Use the refitted cross-validation based method of Fan et al. (2012) to estimate the residual variance in high-dimensional linear model.

## Usage

```
VAR_RCV(y, x)
```

## Arguments

**y** A length  $n$  vector of response.  
**x** A  $n \times p$  numeric design matrix for the model.

## Value

**sigma2** The estimation of the residual variance.

## References

Fan, J., Guo, S. and Hao, N. (2012). Variance estimation using refitted cross-validation in ultrahigh-dimensional regression. *Journal of Royal Statistical Society, Series B* **74**, 37-65.

## Examples

```
n <- 60
p <- 100
beta <- c(sqrt(0.1/p)*rep(1,p/2),rep(0,p/2))
eps <- rnorm(n)
x <- matrix(rnorm(n*p),n,p)
y <- x%%beta+eps
fit <- VAR_RCV(y,x)
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| VAR_RR | <i>Ridge Regression Based Variance Estimation in High-Dimensional Linear Models</i> |
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### Description

Use the ridge regression based method of Liu et al. (2019) to estimate the residual variance in linear model. The proposal is valid under both low- and high-dimensional models, and performs well not only for the non-sparse cases but also for the sparse ones.

### Usage

```
VAR_RR(y, x, eta=NULL, alpha=0.1)
```

### Arguments

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| y     | A length $n$ vector of response.  |
| x     | A $n \times p$ numeric design matrix for the model.                       |
| eta   | The tuning parameter using in ridge regression. Default is NULL.          |
| alpha | A constant to justify the tuning parameter when eta=NULL. Default is 0.1. |

### Value

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| sigma2 | The estimation of the residual variance. |
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### References

Liu, X., Zheng, S. and Feng, X. (2019). Estimation of error variance via ridge regression. Manuscript.

### Examples

```
n <- 60
p <- 100
beta <- c(sqrt(0.1/p)*rep(1,p/2),rep(0,p/2))
eps <- rnorm(n)
x <- matrix(rnorm(n*p),n,p)
y <- x%%beta+eps
fit <- VAR_RR(y,x)
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