Package 'ACSSpack'

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Title ACSS, Corresponding INSS, and GLP Algorithms

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Description Allow user to run the Adaptive Correlated Spike and Slab (ACSS) algorithm, corresponding INdependent Spike and Slab (INSS) algorithm, and Giannone, Lenza and Primiceri (GLP) algorithm with adaptive burn-in.
All of the three algorithms are used to fit high dimensional data set with either sparse structure, or dense structure with smaller contributions from all predictors.
The state-of-the-
art GLP algorithm is in Giannone, D., Lenza, M., & Primiceri, G. E. (2021, ISBN:978-92-899-4542-4)
``Economic predictions with big data: The illusion of sparsity".
The two new algorithms, ACSS algorithm and INSS algorithm, and the discussion on their performance can be seen in
Yang, Z., Khare, K., & Michailidis, G. (2024, submitted to Journal of Business & Economic Statistics) ``Bayesian methodology for adaptive sparsity and shrinkage in regression".

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`ACSS_gs` *ACSS algorithm*

Description

Adaptive Correlated Spike and Slab (ACSS) algorithm with/without adaptive burn-in Gibbs sampler. See paper of Yang, Z., Khare, K., & Michailidis, G. (2024) for details.

Usage

```
ACSS_gs(
  Y,
  X,
  para = c("1sqrtp", "11", "4sqrtp", "Unif", "customize"),
  a = 1,
  b = 1,
  c = 1,
  s = NA,
  Max_burnin = 10,
  nmc = 5000,
  adaptive_burn_in = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

`Y`	A (centered) vector.
`X`	A (centered in column) matrix.
`para`	Parameter pre-set. Options include "1sqrtp" (default), "11", "4sqrtp", "Unif", and "customize". See details below. • "1sqrtp": a=1, b=1, c=1, s=sqrt(p) (default) • "11": a=1, b=1, c=1, s=1 • "4sqrtp": a=1, b=1, c=4, s=sqrt(p) • "Unif": a=1, b=1, c=0.8, s=p/1.2 • "customize": user-defined a,b,c and s. If choose this option, please provide values for a,b,c and s. If no parameter pre-set is provided, the default "1sqrtp" will be used.
`a`	shape parameter for marginal of q; default=1.

b	shape parameter for marginal of q; default=1.
c	shape parameter for marginal of lambda^2; larger c introduce more shrinkage and stronger correlation. default=1.
s	scale (inversed) parameter for marginal of lambda^2; larger s introduce more shrinkage; default=sqrt(p).
Max_burnin	Maximum burn-in (in 100 steps) for adaptive burn-in Gibbs sampler. Minimum value is 10, corresponding to 1000 hard burn-insteps. Default=10.
nmc	Number of MCMC samples. Default=5000.
adaptive_burn_in	Logical. If TRUE, use adaptive burn-in Gibbs sampler; If false, use fixed burn-in with burn-in = Max_burnin. Default=TRUE.

Value

A list with betahat: predicted beta hat from majority voting, and Gibbs_res: 5000 samples of beta, q and lambda^2 from Gibbs sampler.

Examples

```
## A toy example is given below to save time. The full example can be run to get better results
## by letting nmc=5000 (default).

n = 30;
p = n;

beta1 = rep(0.1, p);
beta2 = c(rep(0.2, p / 2), rep(0, p / 2));
beta3 = c(rep(0.15, 3 * p / 4), rep(0, ceiling(p / 4)));
beta4 = c(rep(1, p / 4), rep(0, ceiling(3 * p / 4)));
beta5 = c(rep(3, ceiling(p / 20)), rep(0 , 19 * p / 20));
betas = list(beta1, beta3, beta2, beta4, beta5);

set.seed(123);
X = matrix(rnorm(n * p), n, p);
Y = c(X %*% betas[[1]] + rnorm(n));

## A toy example with p=30, total Gibbs steps=1100, takes ~0.6s
system.time({mod = ACSS_gs(Y, X, para = "1sqrtp", nmc = 100);})

mod$beta; ## estimated beta after the Majority voting
hist(mod$Gibbs_res$betamat[1,]); ## histogram of the beta_1
hist(mod$Gibbs_res$q); ## histogram of the q
hist(log(mod$Gibbs_res$lambdasq)); ## histogram of the log(lambda^2)
hist(mod$Gibbs_res$R_2); ## histogram of the R^2 for each iteration in Gibbs sampler
plot(mod$Gibbs_res$q, type = "l"); ## trace plot of the q
## joint posterior of model density and shrinkage
plot(log(mod$Gibbs_res$q / (1 - mod$Gibbs_res$q)), -log(mod$Gibbs_res$lambdasq),
    xlab = "logit(q)", ylab = "-log(lambda^2)",
    main = "Joint Posterior of Model Density and Shrinkage");
```

`Econ_data` *Economic data from the GLP paper*

Description

A list contains the five data set used in the paper of Giannone, Lenza, and Primiceri (2021). Contains the following data sets: Macro1, Macro2, Micro1, Micro2, and Finance1

Usage

```
Econ_data
```

Format

'Econ_data' A list contains the five lists, as the 5 data sets

Macro1 A list with a vector and a data frame, 'Y' and 'X'. 'Y' is the response vector, with 659 observations in it. 'X' is the data frame contains all predictors, with n=659, p=130. It have the structure of time series data.

Macro2 A list with a vector and a data frame, 'Y' and 'X'. 'Y' is the response vector, with 90 observations in it. 'X' is the data frame contains all predictors, with n=90, p=69. It have the structure of sectional data.

Micro1 A list with a vector and a data frame, 'Y' and 'X'. 'Y' is the response vector, with 576 observations in it. 'X' is the data frame contains all predictors, with n=576, p=285. It have the structure of panel data with 48 units on 12 time points.

Micro2 A list with a vector and a data frame, 'Y' and 'X'. 'Y' is the response vector, with 312 observations in it. 'X' is the data frame contains all predictors, with n=312, p=138. It have the structure of panel data with 12 units on 26 time points.

Finance1 A list with a vector and a data frame, 'Y' and 'X'. 'Y' is the response vector, with 68 observations in it. 'X' is the data frame contains all predictors, with n=68, p=16. It have the structure of time series data.

Source

<https://www.econometricsociety.org/publications/econometrica/2021/09/01/economic-predictions-big-data-illusion-sparsity/supp/17842_Data_and_Programs.zip>

<https://research.stlouisfed.org/econ/mccracken/fred-databases/>

GLP_gs *GLP algorithm*

Description

Giannone, Lenza and Primiceri (GLP) algorithm with/without adaptive burn-in Gibbs sampler. See paper Giannone, D., Lenza, M., & Primiceri, G. E. (2021) and Yang, Z., Khare, K., & Michailidis, G. (2024) for details.

Most of the codes are from https://github.com/bfava/IllusionOfIllusion with our modification to make it have adaptive burn-in Gibbs sampler, and some debugs.

Usage

```
GLP_gs(
  Y,
  X,
  a = 1,
  b = 1,
  A = 1,
  B = 1,
  Max_burnin = 10,
  nmc = 5000,
  adaptive_burn_in = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

Y	A (centered) vector.
X	A (centered in column) matrix.
a	shape parameter for marginal of q; default=1.
b	shape parameter for marginal of q; default=1.
A	shape parameter for marginal of R^2; default=1.
B	shape parameter for marginal of R^2; default=1.
Max_burnin	Maximum burn-in (in 100 steps) for adaptive burn-in Gibbs sampler. Minimum value is 10, corresponding to 1000 hard burn-insteps. Default=10.
nmc	Number of MCMC samples. Default=5000.
adaptive_burn_in	Logical. If TRUE, use adaptive burn-in Gibbs sampler; If false, use fixed burn-in with burn-in = Max_burnin. Default=TRUE.

Value

A list with betahat: predicted beta hat from majority voting, and Gibbs_res: 5000 samples of beta, q and lambda^2 from Gibbs sampler.

Examples

```
## A toy example is given below to save your time, which will still take ~10s.
## The full example can be run to get BETTER results, which will take more than 80s,
## by letting nmc=5000 (default).

n = 30;
p = n;

beta1 = rep(0.1, p);
beta2 = c(rep(0.2, p / 2), rep(0, p / 2));
beta3 = c(rep(0.15, 3 * p / 4), rep(0, ceiling(p / 4)));
beta4 = c(rep(1, p / 4), rep(0, ceiling(3 * p / 4)));
beta5 = c(rep(3, ceiling(p / 20)), rep(0 , 19 * p / 20));
betas = list(beta1, beta3, beta2, beta4, beta5);

set.seed(123);
X = matrix(rnorm(n * p), n, p);
Y = c(X %*% betas[[1]] + rnorm(n));

## A toy example with p=30, total Gibbs steps=1100
system.time({mod = GLP_gs(Y, X, nmc = 100);})

mod$beta; ## estimated beta after the Majority voting
hist(mod$Gibbs_res$betamat[1,]); ## histogram of the beta_1
hist(mod$Gibbs_res$q); ## histogram of the q
hist(log(mod$Gibbs_res$lambdasq)); ## histogram of the log(lambda^2)
hist(mod$Gibbs_res$R_2); ## histogram of the R^2 for each iteration in Gibbs sampler
plot(mod$Gibbs_res$q, type = "l"); ## trace plot of the q
## joint posterior of model density and shrinkage
plot(log(mod$Gibbs_res$q / (1 - mod$Gibbs_res$q)), -log(mod$Gibbs_res$lambdasq),
    xlab = "logit(q)", ylab = "-log(lambda^2)",
    main = "Joint Posterior of Model Density and Shrinkage");
```

INSS_gs *INSS algorithm*

Description

INdependent Spike and Slab (INSS) algorithm with/without adaptive burn-in Gibbs sampler. See paper of Yang, Z., Khare, K., & Michailidis, G. (2024) for details.

Usage

```
INSS_gs(
  Y,
  X,
  para = c("1sqrtp", "11", "4sqrtp", "Unif", "customize"),
  a = 1,
  b = 1,
```

```
  c = 1,
  s = NA,
  Max_burnin = 10,
  nmc = 5000,
  adaptive_burn_in = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

Y	A (centered) vector.
X	A (centered in column) matrix.
para	Parameter pre-set. Options include "1sqrtp" (default), "11", "4sqrtp", "Unif", and "customize". See details below. • "1sqrtp": a=1, b=1, c=1, s=sqrt(p) (default) • "11": a=1, b=1, c=1, s=1 • "4sqrtp": a=1, b=1, c=4, s=sqrt(p) • "Unif": a=1, b=1, c=0.8, s=p/1.2 • "customize": user-defined a,b,c and s. If choose this option, please provide values for a,b,c and s. If no parameter pre-set is provided, the default "1sqrtp" will be used.
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## A toy example is given below to save time. The full example can be run to get better results
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betas = list(beta1, beta3, beta2, beta4, beta5);

set.seed(123);
X = matrix(rnorm(n * p), n, p);
Y = c(X %*% betas[[1]] + rnorm(n));

## A toy example with p=30, total Gibbs steps=1100, takes ~0.6s
system.time({mod = INSS_gs(Y, X, para = "1sqrtp", nmc = 100);})

mod$beta; ## estimated beta after the Majority voting
hist(mod$Gibbs_res$betamat[1,]); ## histogram of the beta_1
hist(mod$Gibbs_res$q); ## histogram of the q
hist(log(mod$Gibbs_res$lambdasq)); ## histogram of the log(lambda^2)
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