

Package ‘RNAseqNet’

July 21, 2025

Type Package

Title Log-Linear Poisson Graphical Model with Hot-Deck Multiple Imputation

Version 0.1.5

Date 2024-02-20

Maintainer Nathalie Vialaneix <nathalie.vialaneix@inrae.fr>

Description Infer log-linear Poisson Graphical Model with an auxiliary data set. Hot-deck multiple imputation method is used to improve the reliability of the inference with an auxiliary dataset. Standard log-linear Poisson graphical model can also be used for the inference and the Stability Approach for Regularization Selection (StARS) is implemented to drive the selection of the regularization parameter. The method is fully described in <[doi:10.1093/bioinformatics/btx819](https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btx819)>.

License GPL (>= 3)

Repository CRAN

Depends R (>= 3.1.0), ggplot2

Imports igraph (>= 1.0), hot.deck, PoiClaClu, glmnet, methods, utils

Suggests knitr, rmarkdown

VignetteBuilder knitr

Encoding UTF-8

LazyData true

RoxygenNote 7.3.1

NeedsCompilation no

Author Alyssa Imbert [aut],
Nathalie Vialaneix [aut, cre]

Date/Publication 2024-02-20 16:50:02 UTC

Contents

chooseSigma	2
GLMnetToGraph	3
GLMnetwork	4
GLMpath	6
HDImputed	6
HDpath	7
imputedGLMnetwork	8
imputeHD	9
lung	11
RNAseqNetUsersGuide	11
stabilitySelection	12
stars	13
thyroid	14
varIntra	14
Index	16

chooseSigma	<i>Select the threshold sigma for hd-MI.</i>
-------------	--

Description

chooseSigma computes the average intra-donor pool variance for different values of sigma. It helps choosing a sigma that makes a good trade-off between homogeneity within the pool of donors and variety (large enough number of donors in every pool).

Usage

```
chooseSigma(X, Y, sigma_list, seed = NULL)
```

Arguments

X	n x p numeric matrix containing RNA-seq expression with missing rows (numeric matrix or data frame)
Y	auxiliary dataset (n' x q numeric matrix or data frame)
sigma_list	a sequence of increasing positive values for sigma (numeric vector)
seed	single value, interpreted as an integer, used to initialize the random number generation state

Details

The average intra-donor pool variance is described in (Imbert *et al.*, 2018).

Value

a data frame with the values of sigma and the corresponding intra-donor pool variances

Author(s)

Alyssa Imbert, <alyssa.imbert@gmail.com>
Nathalie Vialaneix, <nathalie.vialaneix@inrae.fr>

References

Imbert, A., Valsesia, A., Le Gall, C., Armenise, C., Lefebvre, G. Gourraud, P.A., Viguerie, N. and Villa-Vialaneix, N. (2018) Multiple hot-deck imputation for network inference from RNA sequencing data. *Bioinformatics*. doi:10.1093/bioinformatics/btx819.

See Also

[varIntra](#)

Examples

```
data(lung)
data(thyroid)
nobs <- nrow(lung)
miss_ind <- sample(1:nobs, round(0.2 * nobs), replace = FALSE)
lung[miss_ind, ] <- NA
lung <- na.omit(lung)
sigma_stats <- chooseSigma(lung, thyroid, 1:5)
## Not run: plot(sigma_stats, type = "b")
```

GLMnetToGraph

Convert the result of imputedGLMnetwork or a matrix into a network.

Description

GLMnetToGraph combines the m inferred networks, obtained from m imputed datasets, into a single stable network or convert a matrix of coefficients of a GLM model into a network (non zero coefficients are converted to edges)

Usage

```
GLMnetToGraph(object, threshold = 0.9)
```

Arguments

object	an object of class HDpath as obtained from the function imputedGLMnetwork or a squared matrix with zero and non zero values
threshold	the percentage of times, among the m imputed networks, that an edge has to be predicted to be in the final network. Used only for objects of class HDpath. Default to 0.9

Value

an 'igraph' object. See [igraph](#)

Author(s)

Alyssa Imbert, <alyssa.imbert@gmail.com>

Nathalie Vialaneix, <nathalie.vialaneix@inrae.fr>

References

Imbert, A., Valsesia, A., Le Gall, C., Armenise, C., Lefebvre, G. Gourraud, P.A., Viguerie, N. and Villa-Vialaneix, N. (2018) Multiple hot-deck imputation for network inference from RNA sequencing data. *Bioinformatics*. doi:10.1093/bioinformatics/btx819.

See Also

[imputedGLMnetwork](#), [igraph](#)

Examples

```
data(lung)
data(thyroid)
nobs <- nrow(lung)
miss_ind <- sample(1:nobs, round(0.2 * nobs), replace = FALSE)
lung[miss_ind, ] <- NA
lung <- na.omit(lung)
lambdas <- 4 * 10^(seq(0, -2, length = 10))
## Not run:
lung_hdmi <- imputedGLMnetwork(lung, thyroid, sigma = 2, lambdas = lambdas,
                              m = 10, B = 5)
lung_net <- GLMnetToGraph(lung_hdmi, 0.75)
lung_net
plot(lung_net)

## End(Not run)
```

GLMnetwork

Infer a network from RNA-seq expression.

Description

GLMnetwork infers a network from RNA-seq expression with the log-linear Poisson graphical model of (Allen and Liu, 2012).

Usage

```
GLMnetwork(counts, lambdas = NULL, normalize = TRUE)
```

Arguments

counts	a n x p matrix of RNA-seq expression (numeric matrix or data frame)
lambdas	a sequence of decreasing positive numbers to control the regularization (numeric vector). Default to NULL
normalize	logical value to normalize predictors in the log-linear Poisson graphical model. If TRUE, log normalization and scaling are performed prior the model is fit. Default to TRUE

Details

When input lambdas are null the default sequence of [glmnet](#) for the first model (the one with the first column of count as the target) is used.

Value

S3 object of class GLMnetwork: a list consisting of

lambda	regularization parameters used for LLGM path(vector)
path	a list having the same length than lambda. It contains the estimated coefficients (in a matrix) along the path

Author(s)

Alyssa Imbert, <alyssa.imbert@gmail.com>

Nathalie Vialaneix, <nathalie.vialaneix@inrae.fr>

References

Allen, G. and Liu, Z. (2012) A log-linear model for inferring genetic networks from high-throughput sequencing data. In *Proceedings of IEEE International Conference on Bioinformatics and Biomedecine (BIBM)*.

See Also

[stabilitySelection](#)

Examples

```
data(lung)
lambdas <- 4 * 10^(seq(0, -2, length = 10))
ref_lung <- GLMnetwork(lung, lambdas = lambdas)
```

GLMpath *Methods for 'GLMpath' objects.*

Description

Methods for the result of [GLMnetwork](#) (GLMpath object)

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'GLMpath'  
summary(object, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'GLMpath'  
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

object	GLMpath object
...	not used
x	GLMpath object

Author(s)

Alyssa Imbert, <alyssa.imbert@gmail.com>
Nathalie Vialaneix, <nathalie.vialaneix@inrae.fr>

See Also

[GLMnetwork](#)

HDImputed *Methods for 'HDImputed' objects.*

Description

Methods for the result of [imputeHD](#) (HDImputed object)

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'HDImputed'  
summary(object, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'HDImputed'  
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

object	HDImputed object
...	not used
x	HDImputed object

Author(s)

Alyssa Imbert, <alyssa.imbert@gmail.com>
Nathalie Vialaneix, <nathalie.vialaneix@inrae.fr>

See Also

[imputeHD](#)

HDpath	<i>Methods for 'HDpath' objects.</i>
--------	--------------------------------------

Description

Methods for the result of [imputedGLMnetwork](#) (HDpath object)

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'HDpath'  
summary(object, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'HDpath'  
print(x, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'HDpath'  
plot(x, ...)
```

Arguments

object	HDpath object
...	not used
x	HDpath object

Author(s)

Alyssa Imbert, <alyssa.imbert@gmail.com>
Nathalie Vialaneix, <nathalie.vialaneix@inrae.fr>

See Also

[imputedGLMnetwork](#)

Examples

```

data(lung)
data(thyroid)
nobs <- nrow(lung)
miss_ind <- sample(1:nobs, round(0.2 * nobs), replace = FALSE)
lung[miss_ind, ] <- NA
lung <- na.omit(lung)
lambdas <- 4 * 10^(seq(0, -2, length = 10))
## Not run:
lung_hdmi <- imputedGLMnetwork(lung, thyroid, sigma = 2, lambdas = lambdas,
                               m = 10, B = 5)

plot(lung_hdmi)

## End(Not run)

```

imputedGLMnetwork	<i>Multiple hot-deck imputation and network inference from RNA-seq data.</i>
-------------------	--

Description

imputedGLMnetwork performs a multiple hot-deck imputation and infers a network for each imputed dataset with a log-linear Poisson graphical model (LLGM).

Usage

```
imputedGLMnetwork(X, Y, sigma, m = 50, lambdas = NULL, B = 20)
```

Arguments

X	n x p numeric matrix containing RNA-seq expression with missing rows (numeric matrix or data frame)
Y	auxiliary dataset (n' x q numeric matrix or data frame)
sigma	affinity threshold for donor pool
m	number of replicates in multiple imputation (integer). Default to 50
lambdas	a sequence of decreasing positive numbers to control the regularization (numeric vector). Default to NULL
B	number of iterations for stability selection. Default to 20

Details

When input lambdas are null the default sequence of [glmnet](#) for the first model (the one with the first column of count as the target) is used. A common default sequence is generated for all imputed datasets using this method.

Value

S3 object of class HDpath: a list consisting of

path	a list of m data frames, each containing the adjacency matrix of the inferred network obtained from the corresponding imputed dataset. The regularization parameter is selected by StARS
efreq	a numeric matrix of size $p \times p$, which indicates the number of times an edge has been predicted among the m inferred networks

Author(s)

Alyssa Imbert, <alyssa.imbert@gmail.com>
 Nathalie Vialaneix, <nathalie.vialaneix@inrae.fr>

References

Imbert, A., Valsesia, A., Le Gall, C., Armenise, C., Lefebvre, G. Gourraud, P.A., Viguerie, N. and Villa-Vialaneix, N. (2018) Multiple hot-deck imputation for network inference from RNA sequencing data. *Bioinformatics*. doi:10.1093/bioinformatics/btx819.

Examples

```
data(lung)
data(thyroid)
nobs <- nrow(lung)
miss_ind <- sample(1:nobs, round(0.2 * nobs), replace = FALSE)
lung[miss_ind, ] <- NA
lung <- na.omit(lung)
lambdas <- 4 * 10^(seq(0, -2, length = 10))
## Not run:
lung_hdmi <- imputedGLMnetwork(lung, thyroid, sigma = 2, lambdas = lambdas,
                              m = 10, B = 5)

## End(Not run)
```

 imputeHD

Impute missing row datasets with multiple hot deck.

Description

imputeHD performs multiple hot-deck imputation on an input data frame with missing rows. Each missing row is imputed with a unique donor. This method requires an auxiliary dataset to compute similarities between individuals and create the pool of donors.

Usage

```
imputeHD(X, Y, sigma, m = 50, seed = NULL)
```

Arguments

X	n x p numeric matrix containing RNA-seq expression with missing rows (numeric matrix or data frame)
Y	auxiliary dataset (n' x q numeric matrix or data frame)
sigma	threshold for hot-deck imputation (numeric, positive)
m	number of replicates in multiple imputation (integer). Default to 50
seed	single value, interpreted as an integer, used to initialize the random number generation state. Default to NULL (not used in this case)

Details

Missing values are identified by matching rownames in X and Y. If rownames are not provided the missing rows in X are supposed to correspond to the last rows of Y.

Value

S3 object of class HDImputed: a list consisting of

donors	a list. Each element of this list contains the donor pool for every missing observations
draws	a data frame which indicates which donor was chosen for each missing samples
data	a list of m imputed datasets

Author(s)

Alyssa Imbert, <alyssa.imbert@gmail.com>
 Nathalie Vialaneix, <nathalie.vialaneix@inrae.fr>

References

Imbert, A., Valsesia, A., Le Gall, C., Armenise, C., Lefebvre, G. Gourraud, P.A., Viguerie, N. and Villa-Vialaneix, N. (2018) Multiple hot-deck imputation for network inference from RNA sequencing data. *Bioinformatics*. doi:10.1093/bioinformatics/btx819.

See Also

[chooseSigma](#), [imputedGLMnetwork](#)

Examples

```
data(lung)
data(thyroid)
nobs <- nrow(lung)
miss_ind <- sample(1:nobs, round(0.2 * nobs), replace = FALSE)
lung[miss_ind, ] <- NA
lung <- na.omit(lung)
imputed_lung <- imputeHD(lung, thyroid, sigma = 2)
```

lung *RNA-seq expression from lung tissue (GTEx).*

Description

This data set is a small subset of the full data set from GTEx. It contains RNA-seq expressions measured from lung tissue. The RNA-seq expressions have been normalized with the TMM method.

Format

a data frame with 221 rows and 100 variables (genes). Row names are identifiers for individuals.

Author(s)

Alyssa Imbert <alyssa.imbert@gmail.com>

Source

The raw data were download from <https://gtexportal.org/home/index.html>. The TMM normalization of RNA-seq expression was performed with the R package edgeR.

RNAseqNetUsersGuide *View RNAseqNet User's Guide*

Description

Find the location of the RNAseqNet User's Guide and optionnaly opens it

Usage

```
RNAseqNetUsersGuide(html = TRUE, view = html)
```

Arguments

html	logical. Should the document returned by the function be the compiled PDF or the Rmd source. Default to TRUE
view	logical. Should the document be opened using the default HTML viewer? Default to html. It has no effect if html = FALSE

Details

The function `vignette("RNAseqNet")` will find the short RNAseqNet vignette that describes how to obtain the RNAseqNet User's Guide. The User's Guide is not itself a true vignette because it is not automatically generated during the package build process. However, the location of the Rmarkdown source is returned by the function if `html = FALSE`. If the operating system is not Windows, then the HTML viewer used is that given by `Sys.getenv("R_BROWSER")`. The HTML viewer can be changed using `Sys.setenv(R_BROWSER =)`.

Value

Character string giving the file location. If `html = TRUE` and `view = TRUE`, the HTML document reader is started and the User's Guide is opened in it.

Author(s)

Alyssa Imbert, <alyssa.imbert@gmail.com>
 Nathalie Vialaneix, <nathalie.vialaneix@inrae.fr>

Examples

```
RNAseqNetUsersGuide(view = FALSE)
RNAseqNetUsersGuide(html = FALSE)
## Not run: RNAseqNetUsersGuide()
```

stabilitySelection *Selection of the regularization parameter by StARS (Liu et al., 2010).*

Description

`stabilitySelection` implements the regularization parameter selection of (Liu et al., 2010) called 'Stability Approach to Regularization Selection' (StARS).

Usage

```
stabilitySelection(counts, lambdas = NULL, B = 20)
```

Arguments

<code>counts</code>	a $n \times p$ matrix of RNA-seq expression (numeric matrix or data frame)
<code>lambdas</code>	a sequence of decreasing positive numbers to control the regularization (numeric vector). Default to NULL
<code>B</code>	number of iterations for stability selection. Default to 20

Details

When input `lambdas` are null the default sequence of `glmnet` (see [GLMnetwork](#) for details).

Value

S3 object of class `stabilitySelection`: a list consisting of

<code>lambdas</code>	numeric regularization parameters used for regularization path
<code>B</code>	number of iterations for stability selection
<code>best</code>	index of the regularization parameter selected by StARS in <code>lambdas</code>
<code>variabilities</code>	numeric vector having same length than <code>lambdas</code> and providing the variability value as defined by StARS along the path

Author(s)

Alyssa Imbert, <alyssa.imbert@gmail.com> Nathalie Vialaneix, <nathalie.vialaneix@inrae.fr>

References

Liu, H., Roeder, K. and Wasserman, L. (2010) Stability approach to regularization selection (StARS) for high dimensional graphical models. In *Proceedings of Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS 2010)*, **23**, 1432-1440, Vancouver, Canada.

See Also

[GLMnetwork](#)

Examples

```
data(lung)
lambdas <- 4 * 10^(seq(0, -2, length = 5))
stability_lung <- stabilitySelection(lung, lambdas = lambdas, B = 4)
## Not run: plot(stability_lung)
```

stars

Methods for 'stars' objects.

Description

Methods for the result of [stabilitySelection](#) (stars object)

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'stars'
summary(object, ...)

## S3 method for class 'stars'
print(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'stars'
plot(x, ...)
```

Arguments

object	stars object
...	not used
x	stars object

Author(s)

Alyssa Imbert, <alyssa.imbert@gmail.com>
 Nathalie Vialaneix, <nathalie.vialaneix@inrae.fr>

See Also

[stabilitySelection](#)

thyroid	<i>RNA-seq expression from thyroid tissue (GTEx).</i>
---------	---

Description

This data set is a small subset of the full data set from GTEx. It contains RNA-seq expressions measured from thyroid tissue. The RNA-seq expressions have been normalized with the TMM method.

Format

a data frame with 221 rows and 50 variables (genes). Row names are identifiers for individuals.

Author(s)

Alyssa Imbert <alyssa.imbert@gmail.com>

Source

The raw data were downloaded from <https://gtexportal.org/home/index.html>. The TMM normalisation of RNA-seq expression was performed with the R package edgeR.

varIntra	<i>Average intra-donor pool variance.</i>
----------	---

Description

varIntra computes the average intra-donor pool variance.

Usage

```
varIntra(X, Y, donors)
```

Arguments

X	n x p numeric matrix containing RNA-seq expression with missing rows (numeric matrix or data frame)
Y	auxiliary dataset (n' x q numeric matrix or data frame)
donors	donor pool (a list, as given \$donors obtained from the function imputeHD)

Value

varIntra returns a numeric value which is the average intra-donor pool variance, as described in (Imbert *et al.*, 2018).

Author(s)

Alyssa Imbert, <alyssa.imbert@gmail.com>

Nathalie Vialaneix, <nathalie.vialaneix@inrae.fr>

References

Imbert, A., Valsesia, A., Le Gall, C., Armenise, C., Lefebvre, G. Gourraud, P.A., Viguerie, N. and Villa-Vialaneix, N. (2018) Multiple hot-deck imputation for network inference from RNA sequencing data. *Bioinformatics*. doi:[10.1093/bioinformatics/btx819](https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btx819).

See Also

[imputeHD](#), [chooseSigma](#)

Index

`chooseSigma`, [2](#), [10](#), [15](#)

`glmnet`, [5](#), [8](#), [12](#)

`GLMnetToGraph`, [3](#)

`GLMnetwork`, [4](#), [6](#), [12](#), [13](#)

`GLMpath`, [6](#)

`GLMpath-class (GLMpath)`, [6](#)

`HDImputed`, [6](#)

`HDImputed-class (HDImputed)`, [6](#)

`HDpath`, [7](#)

`HDpath-class (HDpath)`, [7](#)

`igraph`, [4](#)

`imputedGLMnetwork`, [3](#), [4](#), [7](#), [8](#), [10](#)

`imputeHD`, [6](#), [7](#), [9](#), [14](#), [15](#)

`lung`, [11](#)

`plot.HDpath (HDpath)`, [7](#)

`plot.stars (stars)`, [13](#)

`print.GLMpath (GLMpath)`, [6](#)

`print.HDImputed (HDImputed)`, [6](#)

`print.HDpath (HDpath)`, [7](#)

`print.stars (stars)`, [13](#)

`RNAseqNetUsersGuide`, [11](#)

`stabilitySelection`, [5](#), [12](#), [13](#), [14](#)

`stars`, [13](#)

`stars-class (stars)`, [13](#)

`summary.GLMpath (GLMpath)`, [6](#)

`summary.HDImputed (HDImputed)`, [6](#)

`summary.HDImputed (HDImputed)`, [6](#)

`summary.HDpath (HDpath)`, [7](#)

`summary.stars (stars)`, [13](#)

`thyroid`, [14](#)

`varIntra`, [3](#), [14](#)