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collpcm.control

Specify parameters determining the collapsed LPCM model and MCMC fitting run

Description

Specify the number of samples to be collected, burn in to be used, sub-sampling interval, whether variable model jumps are aloud, and whether to run a pilot sample in the initial model.

Usage

```r
collpcm.control( x = list() , n, d )
```

Arguments

- `x` An optional list setting the set up parameters of the model. Any parameters not set in the list will default to the values described below.
- `n` The number of nodes in the network.
- `d` The dimension of the latent space for model fitting.

Value

`collpcm.control` returns a list giving the set up of the problem containing the following items:

- `G` Initial value of G for the chain.
- `Gmax` The maximum allowed value of G if doing model search.
- `Gprior` Log of the prior mass on the number of components G.
- `xi` Mean of the prior on the model intercept.
- `psi` Standard deviation of the prior on the model intercept.
- `gamma` Twice the rate of the Gamma prior on the cluster precision.
- `delta` Twice the shape of the Gamma prior on the cluster precision.
- `alpha` The parameter of the Dirichlet prior on group weights.
- `kappa` The scaling of the prior mean for the cluster centre (in units of cluster precision).
- `betainit` Initial value given to the intercept for the MCMC run.
- `Xinit` Initial configuration of latent positions for the MCMC run.
- `sample` Number of MCMC samples to be stored.
- `burn` Number of MCMC iterations to discard as burn-in.
- `interval` Number of iterations at which to sub-sample the chain and store i.e. total iterations post burn-in is sample*interval.
- `model.search` Logical; if TRUE the model space for G is searched.
- `pilot` Number of iterations to run as a pilot to adapt the proposal standard deviations for the MCMC chains (in addition to adaptation during burn-in).
collpcm.fit

sd.beta.prop  Standard deviation of the random walk proposal updating the intercept.

sd.X.prop  Standard deviation of the (possibly multivariate) random walk proposal for an actor's latent position.

gamma.update  Logical; if TRUE then the gamma hyperparameter is updated as part of the MCMC run.

store.sparse  Logical; do a sparse form of storage and don’t return or store some of the MCMC run and only keep summary values.

adapt  Use an adaptive phase during burn-in to tune the standard deviation of the proposals to get an "optimal" acceptance rate.

adapt.interval  The number of iterations between tweaks of the proposal standard deviations in the adaptation phase.

MKL  Logical; if TRUE compute the maximum Kullback-Liebler configuration of the latent positions from Handcock, Raftery & Tantrum (2007)

verbose  Logical; if TRUE print out progression messages throughout the MCMC run and stages of fitting.

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References

collpcm.fit  Fit a latent position cluster network model with model search

Description
collpcm.fit is used to fit the latent position cluster model with uncertainty in the number of clusters incorporated. A posterior distribution for the number of clusters is estimated.

Usage
collpcm.fit( Y , d = 2, G = NULL, Gmax = NULL, control = list(), Xref = NA )

Arguments
Y  A network object containing the network in question.
d  The dimension of the latent position to represent each node in the network (defaults to 2).
G  Give the initial number of groups for the algorithm.
Gmax  Give the maximum allowed number of groups if doing model search.
control  List giving the set up of the algorithm (see collpcm.control)
Xref  Optional latent positions to be used as a reference configuration for the Procrustes rotations.
**Value**

`collpcm.fit` returns an object of class `collpcm` that is a list. The list will have the following slots.

- **call**
  The values of each of the arguments used in the model fitting MCMC run.

- **sample**
  A list containing the samples from the MCMC run.

- **Gpost**
  Estimated posterior distribution of the number of groups/clusters.

- **Xpostmean**
  Estimated posterior mean from sampled latent positions.

- **XpostMKL**
  MKL posterior latent positions as described in Handcock, Raftery & Tantrum (2007).

- **Gslot**
  An indexing vector for the lists of posterior mean and MKL positions.

- **acceptance.rates**
  Acceptance rates for different moves of MCMC algorithm.

- **adapted.sd.prop**
  The standard deviations of the proposal distributions after the adaptation phase.

- **timings**
  A list of timings for each part of the algorithm.

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**References**


**See Also**

`collpcm.control`

**Examples**

```r
# load the Monks data
data(Monks)

# run the model printing run updates to screen
# this is an illustrative example (it should be run for much longer)
z <- collpcm.fit( Monks, G=3, d=2,
                  control=list( verbose=TRUE, sample=2500, interval=1, burn=500 ) )

# plot of the collpcm object
plot( z )
```
collpcm.summaryplot  Make a summary plot of a collpcm run

Description

collpcm.summaryplot creates a 2 by 2 summary plot showing traces from the MCMC run as well as the posterior KL positions for the most visited model.

Usage

collpcm.summaryplot( x )

Arguments

x  An object of class collpcm

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References


collpcm.undo.label.switching  Correct samples of label vectors for label switching.

Description

collpcm.undo.label.switching is used to correct sampled label vectors for label switching using the method proposed by Nobile and Fearnside (2007) which relies on the assignment algorithm of Carpaneto and Toth (1980).

Usage

collpcm.undo.label.switching( Z, Gsamp = NULL )

Arguments

Z  A matrix of dimensions (num samples) by n giving the sampled label vectors for each iteration of the MCMC run.
Gsamp  A vector of length (num samples) giving the corresponding number of groups for each iteration of the MCMC run.
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Value

collpcm.undo.label.switching returns a list with the following slots.

call The function call.
relab The post processed Z matrix after label switching has been corrected for
label.probs List giving the probability of belonging to each group for each item, each entry
of the list corresponding to a given number of components.
permutation The permutation applied to each row to correct for label switching.

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References

Nobile, A. and Fearnside A. T. (2007). Bayesian finite mixtures with an unknown number of com-
ponents: The allocation sampler Statistics and Computing, Vol. 17, 147-162 <doi:10.1007/s11222-
006-9014-7>


Dolphins

Description

Network describing social ties between dolphins off doubtful sound.

Usage

data(Dolphins)

Source

The bottlenose dolphin community of Doubtful Sound features a large proportion of long-lasting
associations- Can geographic isolation explain this unique trait? Behavioural Ecology and Socio-
biology 54, 396–405.
Karate

Network describing loyalty in the Karate club.

Description

The well known Karate data.

Usage

data(Karate)

Source


Monks

Monks

Description

Sampson’s aggregated Monk’s dataset.

Usage

data(Monks)

Source


http://vlado.fmf.uni-lj.si/pub/networks/data/esna/sampson.htm
plot.collpcm  
*Plotting a collpcm object*

**Description**

Plot the posterior mean latent positions for G groups.

**Usage**

```r
## S3 method for class 'collpcm'
plot( x, ..., G = NULL, label.nodes = NULL, pie = FALSE,
     vertex.col = c( "red", "green", "blue", "cyan", "magenta", "orange", "yellow", "purple"),
     vertex.cex = 1, object.scale = formals(plot.network.default)["object.scale"] )
```

**Arguments**

- `x`: An object of class `collpcm`.
- `...`: Additional arguments including.
- `G`: The number of groups in the model to be plotted. Defaults to most visited in MCMC run.
- `label.nodes`: A vector of labels to print beside corresponding nodes on the plot.
- `pie`: Logical; Draw small pie charts to indicate group membership probabilities.
- `vertex.col`: The colour for the slices of pie (previous).
- `vertex.cex`: Magnify the vertex.
- `object.scale`: Scale up/down the size of the plotting of vertex and arrows.

**Details**

This function gives a plot of the latent positions for a given number of groups (assuming the model with the specified number of groups has been visited during the run of the sampler). Membership probabilities of the nodes are indicated by pie charts with each colour corresponding to a different group in the model. Some of the code to implement this function draws heavily on code contained in the `latentnet` package (Krivitsky & Handcock, 2015).

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print.collpcm

References


print.collpcm

Description

Print a summary of a collpcm object.

Usage

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

Arguments

x
An object of class collpcm.

... Optional arguments to lower level functions.

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References


summary.collpcm

Description

Print a summary of a collpcm object.

Usage

## S3 method for class 'collpcm'
summary( object, ... )
Arguments

object     An object of class `collpcm`.
...        Optional arguments to lower level functions.

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