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Description Functions to perform stepwise split regularized regression. The approach first uses a stepwise algorithm to split the variables into the models with a goodness of fit criterion, and then regularization is applied to each model. The weights of the models in the ensemble are determined based on a criterion selected by the user.

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coef.cv.stepSplitReg *Coefficients for cv.stepSplitReg Object*

Description

`coef.cv.stepSplitReg` returns the coefficients for a `cv.stepSplitReg` object.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'cv.stepSplitReg'
coef(object, group_index = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>object</code>	An object of class <code>cv.stepSplitReg</code>
<code>group_index</code>	Groups included in the ensemble. Default setting includes all the groups.
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments for compatibility.

Value

The coefficients for the `cv.stepSplitReg` object.

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See Also

[cv.stepSplitReg](#)

Examples

```
# Required Libraries
library(mvtnorm)

# Setting the parameters
p <- 100
n <- 30
n.test <- 500
sparsity <- 0.2
rho <- 0.5
SNR <- 3

# Generating the coefficient
p.active <- floor(p*sparsity)
a <- 4*log(n)/sqrt(n)
neg.prob <- 0.2
```

```

nonzero.betas <- (-1)^(rbinom(p.active, 1, neg.prob))*(a + abs(rnorm(p.active)))

# Correlation structure
Sigma <- matrix(0, p, p)
Sigma[1:p.active, 1:p.active] <- rho
diag(Sigma) <- 1
true.beta <- c(nonzero.betas, rep(0 , p - p.active))

# Computing the noise parameter for target SNR
sigma.epsilon <- as.numeric(sqrt((t(true.beta) %*% Sigma %*% true.beta)/SNR))

# Simulate some data
set.seed(1)
x.train <- mvnfast::rmvn(n, mu=rep(0,p), sigma=Sigma)
y.train <- 1 + x.train %*% true.beta + rnorm(n=n, mean=0, sd=sigma.epsilon)
x.test <- mvnfast::rmvn(n.test, mu=rep(0,p), sigma=Sigma)
y.test <- 1 + x.test %*% true.beta + rnorm(n.test, sd=sigma.epsilon)

# Stepwise Split Regularized Regression
step.out <- cv.stepSplitReg(x.train, y.train, n_models = c(2, 3), max_variables = NULL, keep = 4/4,
                             model_criterion = c("F-test", "RSS")[1],
                             stop_criterion = c("F-test", "pR2", "aR2", "R2", "Fixed")[1],
                             stop_parameter = 0.05,
                             shrinkage = TRUE, alpha = 4/4, include_intercept = TRUE,
                             n_lambda = 50, tolerance = 1e-2, max_iter = 1e5, n_folds = 5,
                             model_weights = c("Equal", "Proportional", "Stacking")[1],
                             n_threads = 1)
step.coefficients <- coef(step.out, group_index = 1:step.out$n_models_optimal)
step.predictions <- predict(step.out, x.test, group_index = 1:step.out$n_models_optimal)
mspe.step <- mean((step.predictions-y.test)^2)/sigma.epsilon^2

```

coef.stepSplitReg*Coefficients for stepSplitReg Object***Description**

`coef.stepSplitReg` returns the coefficients for a `stepSplitReg` object.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'stepSplitReg'
coef(object, group_index = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|--------------------------|---|
| <code>object</code> | An object of class <code>stepSplitReg</code> |
| <code>group_index</code> | Groups included in the ensemble. Default setting includes all the groups. |
| <code>...</code> | Additional arguments for compatibility. |

Value

The coefficients for the stepSplitReg object.

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See Also

[stepSplitReg](#)

Examples

```
# Required Libraries
library(mvtnorm)

# Setting the parameters
p <- 100
n <- 30
n.test <- 1000
sparsity <- 0.2
rho <- 0.5
SNR <- 3

# Generating the coefficient
p.active <- floor(p*sparsity)
a <- 4*log(n)/sqrt(n)
neg.prob <- 0.2
nonzero.betas <- (-1)^(rbinom(p.active, 1, neg.prob))*(a + abs(rnorm(p.active)))

# Correlation structure
Sigma <- matrix(0, p, p)
Sigma[1:p.active, 1:p.active] <- rho
diag(Sigma) <- 1
true.beta <- c(nonzero.betas, rep(0 , p - p.active))

# Computing the noise parameter for target SNR
sigma.epsilon <- as.numeric(sqrt((t(true.beta) %*% Sigma %*% true.beta)/SNR))

# Simulate some data
set.seed(1)
x.train <- mvtnorm(n, mu=rep(0,p), sigma=Sigma)
y.train <- 1 + x.train %*% true.beta + rnorm(n=n, mean=0, sd=sigma.epsilon)
x.test <- mvtnorm(n.test, mu=rep(0,p), sigma=Sigma)
y.test <- 1 + x.test %*% true.beta + rnorm(n.test, sd=sigma.epsilon)

# Stepwise Split Regularized Regression
step.out <- stepSplitReg(x.train, y.train, n_models = 3, max_variables = NULL, keep = 4/4,
                           model_criterion = c("F-test", "RSS")[1],
                           stop_criterion = c("F-test", "pR2", "aR2", "R2", "Fixed")[1],
                           stop_parameter = 0.05,
                           shrinkage = TRUE, alpha = 4/4, include_intercept = TRUE,
```

```

n_lambda = 50, tolerance = 1e-2, max_iter = 1e5, n_folds = 5,
model_weights = c("Equal", "Proportional", "Stacking")[1])
step.coefficients <- coef(step.out, group_index = 1:step.out$n_models)
step.predictions <- predict(step.out, x.test, group_index = 1:step.out$n_models)
mspe.step <- mean((step.predictions-y.test)^2)/sigma.epsilon^2

```

cv.stepSplitReg*Cross Validation - Stepwise Split Regularized Regression***Description**

`cv.stepSplitReg` performs the CV procedure for stepwise split regularized regression.

Usage

```

cv.stepSplitReg(
  x,
  y,
  n_models = NULL,
  max_variables = NULL,
  keep = 1,
  model_criterion = c("F-test", "RSS")[1],
  stop_criterion = c("F-test", "pR2", "aR2", "R2", "Fixed")[1],
  stop_parameter = 0.05,
  shrinkage = TRUE,
  alpha = 3/4,
  include_intercept = TRUE,
  n_lambda = 100,
  tolerance = 0.001,
  max_iter = 1e+05,
  n_folds = 10,
  model_weights = c("Equal", "Proportional", "Stacking")[1],
  n_threads = 1
)

```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	Design matrix.
<code>y</code>	Response vector.
<code>n_models</code>	Number of models into which the variables are split.
<code>max_variables</code>	Maximum number of variables that a model can contain.
<code>keep</code>	Proportion of models to keep based on their individual cross-validated errors. Default is 1.
<code>model_criterion</code>	Criterion for adding a variable to a model. Must be one of <code>c("F-test", "RSS")</code> . Default is "F-test".

stop_criterion Criterion for determining when a model is saturated. Must be one of c("F-test", "pR2", "aR2", "R2", "Fixed"). Default is "F-test".

stop_parameter Parameter value for the stopping criterion. Default is 0.05 for "F-test".

shrinkage TRUE or FALSE parameter for shrinkage of the final models. Default is TRUE.

alpha Elastic net mixing parameter for model shrinkage. Default is 3/4.

include_intercept TRUE or FALSE parameter for the inclusion of an intercept term.

n_lambda Number of candidates for the sparsity penalty parameter. Default is 100.

tolerance Convergence criteria for the coefficients. Default is 1e-3.

max_iter Maximum number of iterations in the algorithm. Default is 1e5.

n_folds Number of cross-validation folds. Default is 10.

model_weights Criterion to determine the weights of the model for prediction. Must be one of c("Equal", "Proportional", "Stacking"). Default is "Equal".

n_threads Number of threads. Default is 1.

Value

An object of class *cv.stepSplitReg*.

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See Also

[coef.cv.stepSplitReg](#), [predict.cv.stepSplitReg](#)

Examples

```
# Required Libraries
library(mvtnorm)

# Setting the parameters
p <- 100
n <- 30
n.test <- 500
sparsity <- 0.2
rho <- 0.5
SNR <- 3

# Generating the coefficient
p.active <- floor(p*sparsity)
a <- 4*log(n)/sqrt(n)
neg.prob <- 0.2
nonzero.betas <- (-1)^(rbinom(p.active, 1, neg.prob))*(a + abs(rnorm(p.active)))

# Correlation structure
Sigma <- matrix(0, p, p)
```

```

Sigma[1:p.active, 1:p.active] <- rho
diag(Sigma) <- 1
true.beta <- c(nonzero.betas, rep(0 , p - p.active))

# Computing the noise parameter for target SNR
sigma.epsilon <- as.numeric(sqrt((t(true.beta) %*% Sigma %*% true.beta)/SNR))

# Simulate some data
set.seed(1)
x.train <- mvnfast::rmvnb(n, mu=rep(0,p), sigma=Sigma)
y.train <- 1 + x.train %*% true.beta + rnorm(n=n, mean=0, sd=sigma.epsilon)
x.test <- mvnfast::rmvnb(n.test, mu=rep(0,p), sigma=Sigma)
y.test <- 1 + x.test %*% true.beta + rnorm(n.test, sd=sigma.epsilon)

# Stepwise Split Regularized Regression
step.out <- cv.stepSplitReg(x.train, y.train, n_models = c(2, 3), max_variables = NULL, keep = 4/4,
                             model_criterion = c("F-test", "RSS")[1],
                             stop_criterion = c("F-test", "pR2", "aR2", "R2", "Fixed")[1],
                             stop_parameter = 0.05,
                             shrinkage = TRUE, alpha = 4/4, include_intercept = TRUE,
                             n_lambda = 50, tolerance = 1e-2, max_iter = 1e5, n_folds = 5,
                             model_weights = c("Equal", "Proportional", "Stacking")[1],
                             n_threads = 1)
step.coefficients <- coef(step.out, group_index = 1:step.out$n_models_optimal)
step.predictions <- predict(step.out, x.test, group_index = 1:step.out$n_models_optimal)
mspe.step <- mean((step.predictions-y.test)^2)/sigma.epsilon^2

```

predict.cv.stepSplitReg*Predictions for cv.stepSplitReg Object***Description**

`predict.cv.stepSplitReg` returns the predictions for a `cv.stepSplitReg` object.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'cv.stepSplitReg'
predict(object, newx, group_index = group_index, ...)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|--------------------------|---|
| <code>object</code> | An object of class <code>cv.stepSplitReg</code> |
| <code>newx</code> | New data for predictions. |
| <code>group_index</code> | Groups included in the ensemble. Default setting includes all the groups. |
| <code>...</code> | Additional arguments for compatibility. |

Value

The predictions for the cv.stepSplitReg object.

Author(s)

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See Also

[cv.stepSplitReg](#)

Examples

```
# Required Libraries
library(mvtnfast)

# Setting the parameters
p <- 100
n <- 30
n.test <- 500
sparsity <- 0.2
rho <- 0.5
SNR <- 3

# Generating the coefficient
p.active <- floor(p*sparsity)
a <- 4*log(n)/sqrt(n)
neg.prob <- 0.2
nonzero.betas <- (-1)^(rbinom(p.active, 1, neg.prob))*(a + abs(rnorm(p.active)))

# Correlation structure
Sigma <- matrix(0, p, p)
Sigma[1:p.active, 1:p.active] <- rho
diag(Sigma) <- 1
true.beta <- c(nonzero.betas, rep(0 , p - p.active))

# Computing the noise parameter for target SNR
sigma.epsilon <- as.numeric(sqrt((t(true.beta) %*% Sigma %*% true.beta)/SNR))

# Simulate some data
set.seed(1)
x.train <- mvtnfast::rmvn(n, mu=rep(0,p), sigma=Sigma)
y.train <- 1 + x.train %*% true.beta + rnorm(n=n, mean=0, sd=sigma.epsilon)
x.test <- mvtnfast::rmvn(n.test, mu=rep(0,p), sigma=Sigma)
y.test <- 1 + x.test %*% true.beta + rnorm(n.test, sd=sigma.epsilon)

# Stepwise Split Regularized Regression
step.out <- cv.stepSplitReg(x.train, y.train, n_models = c(2, 3), max_variables = NULL, keep = 4/4,
                           model_criterion = c("F-test", "RSS")[1],
                           stop_criterion = c("F-test", "pR2", "aR2", "R2", "Fixed")[1],
                           stop_parameter = 0.05,
                           shrinkage = TRUE, alpha = 4/4, include_intercept = TRUE,
```

```

n_lambda = 50, tolerance = 1e-2, max_iter = 1e5, n_folds = 5,
model_weights = c("Equal", "Proportional", "Stacking")[1],
n_threads = 1)
step.coefficients <- coef(step.out, group_index = 1:step.out$n_models_optimal)
step.predictions <- predict(step.out, x.test, group_index = 1:step.out$n_models_optimal)
mspe.step <- mean((step.predictions-y.test)^2)/sigma.epsilon^2

```

predict.stepSplitReg *Predictions for stepSplitReg Object*

Description

`predict.stepSplitReg` returns the predictions for a `stepSplitReg` object.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'stepSplitReg'
predict(object, newx, group_index = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>object</code>	An object of class <code>stepSplitReg</code>
<code>newx</code>	New data for predictions.
<code>group_index</code>	Groups included in the ensemble. Default setting includes all the groups.
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments for compatibility.

Value

The predictions for the `stepSplitReg` object.

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See Also

[stepSplitReg](#)

Examples

```

# Required Libraries
library(mvngau)

# Setting the parameters
p <- 100
n <- 30
n.test <- 1000

```

```

sparsity <- 0.2
rho <- 0.5
SNR <- 3

# Generating the coefficient
p.active <- floor(p*sparsity)
a <- 4*log(n)/sqrt(n)
neg.prob <- 0.2
nonzero.betas <- (-1)^(rbinom(p.active, 1, neg.prob))*(a + abs(rnorm(p.active)))

# Correlation structure
Sigma <- matrix(0, p, p)
Sigma[1:p.active, 1:p.active] <- rho
diag(Sigma) <- 1
true.beta <- c(nonzero.betas, rep(0 , p - p.active))

# Computing the noise parameter for target SNR
sigma.epsilon <- as.numeric(sqrt((t(true.beta) %*% Sigma %*% true.beta)/SNR))

# Simulate some data
set.seed(1)
x.train <- mvnfast::rmvn(n, mu=rep(0,p), sigma=Sigma)
y.train <- 1 + x.train %*% true.beta + rnorm(n=n, mean=0, sd=sigma.epsilon)
x.test <- mvnfast::rmvn(n.test, mu=rep(0,p), sigma=Sigma)
y.test <- 1 + x.test %*% true.beta + rnorm(n.test, sd=sigma.epsilon)

# Stepwise Split Regularized Regression
step.out <- stepSplitReg(x.train, y.train, n_models = 3, max_variables = NULL, keep = 4/4,
                           model_criterion = c("F-test", "RSS")[1],
                           stop_criterion = c("F-test", "pR2", "aR2", "R2", "Fixed")[1],
                           stop_parameter = 0.05,
                           shrinkage = TRUE, alpha = 4/4, include_intercept = TRUE,
                           n_lambda = 50, tolerance = 1e-2, max_iter = 1e5, n_folds = 5,
                           model_weights = c("Equal", "Proportional", "Stacking")[1])
step.coefficients <- coef(step.out, group_index = 1:step.out$n_models)
step.predictions <- predict(step.out, x.test, group_index = 1:step.out$n_models)
mspe.step <- mean((step.predictions-y.test)^2)/sigma.epsilon^2

```

stepSplitReg*Stepwise Split Regularized Regression***Description**

`stepSplitReg` performs stepwise split regularized regression.

Usage

```
stepSplitReg(
  x,
```

```

y,
n_models = NULL,
max_variables = NULL,
keep = 1,
model_criterion = c("F-test", "RSS")[1],
stop_criterion = c("F-test", "pR2", "aR2", "R2", "Fixed")[1],
stop_parameter = 0.05,
shrinkage = TRUE,
alpha = 3/4,
include_intercept = TRUE,
n_lambda = 100,
tolerance = 0.001,
max_iter = 1e+05,
n_folds = 10,
model_weights = c("Equal", "Proportional", "Stacking")[1]
)

```

Arguments

x	Design matrix.
y	Response vector.
n_models	Number of models into which the variables are split.
max_variables	Maximum number of variables that a model can contain.
keep	Proportion of models to keep based on their individual cross-validated errors. Default is 1.
model_criterion	Criterion for adding a variable to a model. Must be one of c("F-test", "RSS"). Default is "F-test".
stop_criterion	Criterion for determining when a model is saturated. Must be one of c("F-test", "pR2", "aR2", "R2", "Fixed"). Default is "F-test".
stop_parameter	Parameter value for the stopping criterion. Default is 0.05 for "F-test".
shrinkage	TRUE or FALSE parameter for shrinkage of the final models. Default is TRUE.
alpha	Elastic net mixing parameter for model shrinkage. Default is 3/4.
include_intercept	TRUE or FALSE parameter for the inclusion of an intercept term.
n_lambda	Number of candidates for the sparsity penalty parameter. Default is 100.
tolerance	Convergence criteria for the coefficients. Default is 1e-3.
max_iter	Maximum number of iterations in the algorithm. Default is 1e5.
n_folds	Number of cross-validation folds. Default is 10.
model_weights	Criterion to determine the weights of the model for prediction. Must be one of c("Equal", "Proportional", "Stacking"). Default is "Equal".

Value

An object of class stepSplitReg.

Author(s)

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See Also

[coef.stepSplitReg](#), [predict.stepSplitReg](#)

Examples

```
# Required Libraries
library(mvtnorm)

# Setting the parameters
p <- 100
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# Computing the noise parameter for target SNR
sigma.epsilon <- as.numeric(sqrt((t(true.beta) %*% Sigma %*% true.beta)/SNR))

# Simulate some data
set.seed(1)
x.train <- mvtnorm(n, mu=rep(0,p), sigma=Sigma)
y.train <- 1 + x.train %*% true.beta + rnorm(n=n, mean=0, sd=sigma.epsilon)
x.test <- mvtnorm(n.test, mu=rep(0,p), sigma=Sigma)
y.test <- 1 + x.test %*% true.beta + rnorm(n.test, sd=sigma.epsilon)

# Stepwise Split Regularized Regression
step.out <- stepSplitReg(x.train, y.train, n_models = 3, max_variables = NULL, keep = 4/4,
                           model_criterion = c("F-test", "RSS")[1],
                           stop_criterion = c("F-test", "pR2", "aR2", "R2", "Fixed")[1],
                           stop_parameter = 0.05,
                           shrinkage = TRUE, alpha = 4/4, include_intercept = TRUE,
                           n_lambda = 50, tolerance = 1e-2, max_iter = 1e5, n_folds = 5,
                           model_weights = c("Equal", "Proportional", "Stacking")[1])
step.coefficients <- coef(step.out, group_index = 1:step.out$n_models)
step.predictions <- predict(step.out, x.test, group_index = 1:step.out$n_models)
```

```
mspe.step <- mean((step.predictions-y.test)^2)/sigma.epsilon^2
```

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