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EstHer-package	<i>Estimation of Heritability in High Dimensional Sparse Linear Mixed Models using Variable Selection</i>
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~~ An overview of how to use the package, including the most important functions ~~

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References

A.Bonnet, C.Levy-Leduc, E.Gassiat, R.Toro, T.Bourgeron. "Improving heritability estimation by a variable selection approach in sparse high dimensional linear mixed models", arXiv:1507.06245, 2015.

bootstrap_corr	<i>Computation of a confidence interval for the estimated heritability.</i>
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Description

This function is based on a non parametric bootstrap technique to compute a confidence interval for the heritability. The strength of this method is that it can deal with correlated observations.

Usage

```
bootstrap_corr(Y,Z,K,eta_hat,sigma2_hat,level,nb_cores)
```

Arguments

Y	Vector of observations.
Z	Matrix of genetic informations.
K	number of subsamples of Y used to apply our bootstrap technique.
eta_hat	Estimator of the heritability.
sigma2_hat	Estimator of the variance involving the variances of the two random parts of the model.
level	Percentage of values which will be removed from the estimated heritabilities to build a confidence interval.
nb_cores	Number of cores of the computer. It is used for parallelizing the computations.

Value

CI_up	Upper bound of the confidence interval for the estimated heritability
CI_low	Lower bound of the confidence interval for the estimated heritability

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estim_herit	<i>Estimation of heritability in linear mixed models.</i>
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Description

The function computes heritability when the random effects follow either a Gaussian distribution or a mixture of a Dirac and a Gaussian distribution.

Usage

```
estim_herit(Y, Z)
```

Arguments

Y	vector of observations of size n
Z	matrix with n rows and N columns

Value

heritability	Heritability
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References

The method is developed in the paper "Heritability estimation in high dimensional linear mixed models" (A.Bonnet,vE.Gassiat, C.Levy-Leduc,2014)

prod_cpp	<i>Additional function</i>
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Description

This function is used for efficiently computing ZZ' .

Usage

```
prod_cpp(Z)
```

Arguments

Z A large matrix having n rows and N columns.

Value

The product ZZ' .

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Selvar	<i>Estimation of heritability in high dimensional sparse linear mixed models using variable selection.</i>
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Description

This function selects active components in sparse linear mixed models in order to estimate heritability. The selection allows us to reduce the size of the data sets which improves the accuracy of the estimations. Our package also provides a confidence interval for the estimated heritability.

Usage

```
Selvar(Y,Z,X,thresh_vect,nb_boot=80,nb_repli=50,CI_level=0.95,nb_cores=1)
```

Arguments

Y	Vector of observations of size n.
Z	Matrix with genetic information of size n x N.
X	Matrix of fixed effects of size n x d.
thresh_vect	Vector of thresholds in the stability selection step: the higher the threshold, the smallest the set of selected components.
nb_boot	Number of subsamples of Y to apply our bootstrap technique. The value by default is 80.
nb_repli	Number of replications in the stability selection. The value by default is 50.
CI_level	Level of the confidence interval for the estimation of the heritability. The value by default is 0.95.
nb_cores	Number of cores of the computer. It is used for parallelizing the computations. The value by default is 1.

Value

heritability	Estimation of the heritability
CI_up	Upper bound of the confidence interval for the estimated heritability
CI_low	Lower bound of the confidence interval for the estimated heritability
selec_ind	Indexes of the columns of the selected components

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Examples

```
library(EstHer)
data(Y)
data(W)
data(X)
Z=scale(W,center=TRUE,scale=TRUE)
res=Selvar(Y,Z,X,thresh_vect=c(0.7,0.8,0.9),nb_boot=80,nb_repli=50,CI_level=0.95,nb_cores=1)
res$heritability
res$CI_low
res$CI_up
```

W

Genetic matrix

Description

Matrix of size $n \times N$ with $n=200$ and $N=5000$

Usage

```
data("W")
```

Format

The format is: num [1:200, 1:5000] 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 ...

Examples

```
data(W)
## maybe str(W) ; plot(W) ...
```

X

Matrix of fixed effects

Description

Matrix of fixed effects of size $n \times d$ where $n=200$ and $d=2$

Usage

```
data("X")
```

Format

The format is: num [1:200, 1:2] 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...

Examples

```
data(X)
## maybe str(X) ; plot(X) ...
```

Y *Vector of observations*

Description

Vector of observations of size n=200.

Usage

```
data("Y")
```

Format

The format is: num [1:200, 1] 6.196076 7.225162 9.662264 3.134030 5.404111 ...

Examples

```
data(Y)  
## maybe str(Y) ; plot(Y) ...
```

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