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MoEClust-package	MoEClust: Gaussian Parsimonious Clustering Models with Covariates and a Noise Component

# **Description**

Clustering via parsimonious Gaussian Mixtures of Experts using the *MoEClust* models introduced by Murphy and Murphy (2020) <doi:10.1007/s11634019003738>. This package fits finite Gaussian mixture models with gating and/or expert network covariates using a range of parsimonious covariance parameterisations from the GPCM family via the EM/CEM algorithm. Visualisation of the results of such models using generalised pairs plots and the inclusion of an additional noise component is also facilitated.

# Usage

The most important function in the **MoEClust** package is: MoE\_clust, for fitting the model via EM/CEM with gating and/or expert network covariates, supplied via formula interfaces.

MoE\_compare is provided for conducting model selection between different results from MoE\_clust using different covariate combinations &/or initialisation strategies, etc.

MoE\_stepwise is provided for conducting a greedy forward stepwise search to identify the optimal model in terms of the number of components, GPCM covariance type, and the subsets of gating/expert network covariates.

MoE\_control allows supplying additional arguments to MoE\_clust and MoE\_stepwise which govern, among other things, controls on the inclusion of an additional noise component and controls on the initialisation of the allocations for the EM/CEM algorithm.

A dedicated plotting function (plot.MoEClust) exists for visualising the results using generalised pairs plots, for examining the gating network, and/or log-likelihood, and/or clustering uncertainties, and/or similarity matrix, and/or graphing model selection criteria values. The generalised pairs plots (MoE\_gpairs) visualise all pairwise relationships between clustered response variables and associated continuous, categorical, and/or ordinal covariates in the gating &/or expert networks, coloured according to the MAP classification, and also give the marginal distributions of each variable (incl. the covariates) along the diagonal.

An as.Mclust method is provided to coerce the output of class "MoEClust" from MoE\_clust to the "Mclust" class, to facilitate use of plotting and other functions for the "Mclust" class within the **mclust** package. As per **mclust**, **MoEClust** also facilitates modelling with an additional noise component (with or without the mixing proportion for the noise component depending on covariates).

Finally, a predict method is provided for predicting the fitted response and probability of cluster membership (and by extension the MAP classification) for new data, in the form of new covariates and new response data, or new covariates only.

Other functions also exist, e.g. MoE\_crit, MoE\_dens, MoE\_estep, MoE\_compare, and aitken, which are all used within MoE\_clust but are nonetheless made available for standalone use.

The package also contains two data sets: ais and CO2data.

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## See Also

Further details and examples are given in the associated vignette document: vignette("MoEClust", package = "MoEClust")

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#### References

Murphy, K. and Murphy, T. B. (2020). Gaussian parsimonious clustering models with covariates and a noise component. *Advances in Data Analysis and Classification*, 14(2): 293-325. <doi:10.1007/s11634019003738>.

## See Also

Useful links:

- https://cran.r-project.org/package=MoEClust
- Report bugs at https://github.com/Keefe-Murphy/MoEClust

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```
data(CO2data)
CO2 <- CO2data$CO2
     <- CO2data$GNP
# Fit a range of models
     <- MoE_clust(CO2, G=1:3)
      <- MoE_clust(CO2, G=2:3, gating= ~ GNP)
      <- MoE_clust(CO2, G=1:3, expert= ~ GNP)
m3
      <- MoE_clust(CO2, G=2:3, gating= ~ GNP, expert= ~ GNP)
m4
      <- MoE_clust(CO2, G=2:3, equalPro=TRUE)
m5
      <- MoE_clust(CO2, G=2:3, expert= ~ GNP, equalPro=TRUE)
# Extract the model with highest BIC
(comp <- MoE_compare(m1, m2, m3, m4, m5, m6, criterion="bic"))</pre>
# See if a better model can be found using greedy forward stepwise selection
# Conduct a stepwise search on the same data
(mod1 <- MoE_stepwise(CO2, CO2data[,"GNP", drop=FALSE]))</pre>
# Conduct another stepwise search considering models with a noise component
(mod2 <- MoE_stepwise(CO2, CO2data[,"GNP", drop=FALSE], noise=TRUE))</pre>
# Compare all sets of results to choose the optimal model
(best <- MoE_compare(mod1, mod2, comp, pick=1)$optimal)</pre>
```

ais

Australian Institute of Sport data

# Description

Data on 102 male and 100 female athletes collected at the Australian Institute of Sport, courtesy of Richard Telford and Ross Cunningham.

#### **Usage**

```
data(ais)
```

# **Format**

A data frame with 202 observations on the following 13 variables:

- [,1] sex categorical, levels = female, male
- [,2] sport categorical, levels = B\_Ball, Field, Gym, Netball, Row, Swim, T\_400m, Tennis, T\_Sprnt, W\_Polo
- [,3] RCC red cell count (numeric)
- [,4] WCC white cell count (numeric)
- [,5] Hc Hematocrit (numeric)

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- [,6] Hg Hemoglobin (numeric)
- [,7] Fe plasma ferritin concentration (numeric)
- [,8] BMI body mass index: Wt/(Ht)^2 (numeric)
- [,9] SSF sum of skin folds (numeric)
- [,10] Bfat body fat percentage (numeric)
- [,11] LBM lean body mass (numeric)
- [,12] Ht height, cm (numeric)
- [,13] Wt weight, kg (numeric)

#### **Details**

The data have been made publicly available in connection with the book by Cook and Weisberg (1994).

## References

Cook, R. D. and Weisberg, S. (1994), *An Introduction to Regression Graphics*. John Wiley & Sons, New York, NY, USA.

# **Examples**

```
data(ais, package="MoEClust")
pairs(ais[,c(3:7)], col=as.numeric(ais$sex), main = "AIS data")
apply(ais[,c(3:7)], 2, summary)
```

aitken

Aitken Acceleration

## **Description**

Calculates the Aitken acceleration estimate of the final converged maximised log-likelihood under the EM/CEM framework.

# Usage

```
aitken(loglik)
```

# **Arguments**

loglik

A vector of three consecutive log-likelihood values. These three values should be in ascending order, though this is not checked.

#### **Details**

The final converged maximised log-likelihood can be used to determine convergence of the EM/CEM algorithm within MoE\_clust, i.e. by checking whether the absolute difference between the previous log-likelihood estimate and the final converged maximised log-likelihood estimate is less than some tolerance.

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#### Value

A list with the following named components:

11	The most current estimate of the log-likelihood, i.e. loglik[3].
linf	The most current estimate of the final converged maximised log-likelihood.
a	The Aitken acceleration value where typically $0 \le a \le 1$ . When $a \le 0$ , a numerical issue or bug has occurred; when $a > 1$ , the algorithm is accelerating and should not be stopped.
ldiff	The difference between linf and the <i>previous</i> estimate of the log-likelihood, i.e. loglik[2], in accordance with McNicholas et al. (2010).

When the "aitken" method is employed within MoE\_clust (via MoE\_control), 11 at convergence gives the log-likelihood achieved by the estimated parameters, while linf at convergence estimates the log-likelihood that would be achieved after an infinite number of EM/CEM iterations.

#### Note

Within MoE\_clust, as specified by the stopping argument of MoE\_control, "aitken" is the default method used to assess convergence. The other option monitors the "relative" change in log-likelihood against some tolerance. See MoE\_control.

## Author(s)

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```

## References

Boehning, D., Dietz, E., Schaub, R., Schlattmann, P. and Lindsay, B. G. (1994). The distribution of the likelihood ratio for mixtures of densities from the one-parameter exponential family. *Annals of the Institute of Statistical Mathematics*, 46(2): 373-388.

McNicholas, P. D., Murphy, T. B., McDaid, A. F. and Frost, D. (2010). Serial and parallel implementations of model-based clustering via parsimonious Gaussian mixture models. *Computational Statistics & Data Analysis*, 54(3): 711-723.

#### See Also

```
MoE_control
```

```
(a1 <- aitken(-c(449.61534, 442.84221, 436.58999)))
a1$ldiff < 1e-05 # FALSE
(a2 <- aitken(-c(442.84221, 436.58999, 436.58998)))
a2$ldiff < 1e-05 # FALSE
(a3 <- aitken(-c(436.58999, 436.58998, 436.58998)))
a3$ldiff < 1e-05 # TRUE
```

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as.Mclust

Convert MoEClust objects to the Mclust class

# Description

Converts an object of class "MoEClust" generated by MoE\_clust and converts it to an object of class "Mclust" as generated by fitting Mclust, to facilitate use of plotting and other functions for the "Mclust" class within the **mclust** package. Some caution is advised when converting models with gating &/or expert covariates (see Note below).

# Usage

## **Arguments**

Χ

An object of class "MoEClust" generated by MoE\_clust or an object of class "MoECompare" generated by MoE\_compare. Models with a noise component are facilitated here too.

expert.covar

Logical (defaults to TRUE) governing whether the extra variability in the component means is added to the MVN ellipses corresponding to the component covariance matrices in the presence of expert network covariates. See the function expert\_covar.

signif

Significance level for outlier removal. Must be a single number in the interval [0, 1). Corresponds to the percentage of data to be considered extreme and therefore removed (half of signif at each endpoint, on a column-wise basis). The default, 0, corresponds to no outlier removal. **Only** invoke this argument as an aid to visualisation via plot.Mclust.

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Further arguments to be passed to other methods.

#### **Details**

Of course, the user is always encouraged to use the dedicated plot function for objects of the "MoEClust" class instead, but calling plot after converting via as.Mclust can be particularly useful for univariate mixtures.

In the presence of expert network covariates, the component-specific covariance matrices are (by default, via the argument expert.covar) modified for plotting purposes via the function expert\_covar, in order to account for the extra variability of the means, usually resulting in bigger shapes & sizes for the MVN ellipses.

The signif argument is intended only to aid visualisation via plot. Mclust, as plots therein can be sensitive to outliers, particularly with regard to axis limits.

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#### Value

An object of class "Mclust". See methods(class="Mclust") for a (non-exhaustive) list of functions which can be applied to this class.

#### Note

Mixing proportions are averaged over observations in components in the presence of gating network covariates during the coercion.

Plots may be quite misleading in the presence of gating &/or (especially) expert network covariates when the what argument is "density" within plot.Mclust; users are **strongly** encouraged to use MoE\_gpairs with response.type="density" instead.

Predictions (via predict.Mclust) will also be misleading in the presence of covariates of any kind when newdata is supplied; thus, users are **strongly** encouraged to use predict.MoEClust instead.

The functions clustCombi and clustCombiOptim can be safely used (provided as.Mclust(x) is supplied as the object argument to clustCombi), as they only rely on x\$z and x\$G only. See the examples below.

Users may expect MoEClust models with no covariates of any kind to be identical to models fitted via **mclust**, but this is not necessarily true: see the MoE\_control argument asMclust.

#### Author(s)

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#### References

Fraley, C. and Raftery, A. E. (2002). Model-based clustering, discriminant analysis, and density estimation. *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, 97(458): 611-631.

Scrucca L., Fop M., Murphy T. B. and Raftery A. E. (2016). mclust 5: clustering, classification and density estimation using Gaussian finite mixture models. *The R Journal*, 8(1): 289-317.

### See Also

Mclust, plot.Mclust, MoE\_clust, plot.MoEClust, expert\_covar, MoE\_control

```
# library(mclust)
# Fit a gating network mixture of experts model to the ais data
# data(ais)
# mod <- MoE_clust(ais[,3:7], G=1:9, gating= ~ BMI + sex, network.data=ais)
# Convert to the "Mclust" class and examine the classification
# mod2 <- as.Mclust(mod)
# plot(mod2, what="classification")
# Examine the uncertainty
# plot(mod2, what="uncertainty")</pre>
```

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```
# Return the optimal number of clusters according to entropy
# combi <- mclust::clustCombi(object=mod2)
# optim <- mclust::clustCombiOptim(object=combi)
# table(mod2$classification, ais$sex)
# table(optim$cluster.combi, ais$sex)

# While we could have just used plot.MoEClust above,
# plot.Mclust is especially useful for univariate data
# data(CO2data)
# res <- MoE_clust(CO2data$CO2, G=3, equalPro=TRUE, expert = ~ GNP, network.data=CO2data)
# plot(as.Mclust(res))</pre>
```

CO2data

GNP and CO2 Data Set

# **Description**

This data set gives the gross national product (GNP) per capita in 1996 for various countries as well as their estimated carbon dioxide (CO2) emission per capita for the same year.

#### Usage

```
data(CO2data)
```

# Format

This data frame consists of 28 countries and the following variables:

- GNP The gross product per capita in 1996.
- CO2 The estimated carbon dioxide emission per capita in 1996.
- country An abbreviation pertaining to the country measures (e.g. "GRC" = Greece and "CH" = Switzerland).

# References

Hurn, M., Justel, A. and Robert, C. P. (2003) Estimating mixtures of regressions, *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics*, 12(1): 55-79.

```
data(CO2data, package="MoEClust")
plot(CO2data$GNP, CO2data$CO2, type="n", ylab=expression('CO'[2]))
text(CO2data$GNP, CO2data$CO2, CO2data$country)
```

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drop_constants	Drop constant variables from a formula

# Description

Drops constant variables from the RHS of a formula taking the data set (dat), the formula (formula), and an optional subset vector (sub) as arguments.

# Usage

# Arguments

dat	A data. frame where rows correspond to observations and columns correspond	
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to variables. Ideally column names should be present.

formula An object of class "formula": a symbolic description of the model to be fitted.

Variables in the formula not present in the columns of dat will automatically be discarded. The formula may include interactions, transformations, or higher order terms: the latter **must** be specified explicitly using the AsIs operator (I).

sub An optional vector specifying a subset of observations to be used in the fitting

process.

# Value

The updated formula with constant variables removed.

# Note

Formulas with and without intercepts are accommodated.

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```

# See Also

```
drop_levels, I
```

drop\_levels

## **Examples**

```
data(ais)
hema <- as.matrix(ais[,3:7])
sex <- ais$sex
BMI <- ais$BMI

# Set up a no-intercept regression formula with constant column 'sex'
form1 <- as.formula(hema ~ sex + BMI + I(BMI^2) - 1)
sub <- ais$sex == "male"

# Try fitting a linear model
mod1 <- try(lm(form1, data=ais, subset=sub), silent=TRUE)
inherits(mod1, "try-error") # TRUE

# Remove redundant variables from formula & try again
form2 <- drop_constants(ais, form1, sub)
mod2 <- try(lm(form2, data=ais, subset=sub), silent=TRUE)
inherits(mod2, "try-error") # FALSE</pre>
```

drop\_levels

Drop unused factor levels to predict from unseen data

## **Description**

Drops unseen factor levels in newdata for which predictions are required from a lm or multinom model fit.

# Usage

### Arguments

fit A fitted lm or multinom model.

newdata A data. frame containing variables with which to predict.

# Value

A data. frame like newdata with unseen factor levels replaced by NA.

#### Note

This function is so far untested for models other than 1m or multinom, though it may still work for other classes.

# Author(s)

```
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```

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# See Also

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#### **Examples**

```
data(ais)
hema <- as.matrix(ais[,3:7])
BMI <- ais$BMI
sport <- ais$sport
sub <- ais$sport != "Row"

# Fit a linear model
mod <- lm(hema ~ BMI + sport, data=ais, subset=sub)

# Make predictions
pred1 <- try(predict(mod, newdata=ais), silent=TRUE)
inherits(pred1, "try-error") #TRUE

# Remove unused levels and try again
pred2 <- try(predict(mod, newdata=drop_levels(mod, ais)), silent=TRUE)
inherits(pred2, "try-error") #FALSE
anyNA(pred2) #TRUE</pre>
```

expert\_covar

Account for extra variability in covariance matrices with expert covariates

# **Description**

In the presence of expert network covariates, this helper function modifies the component-specific covariance matrices of a "MoEClust" object, in order to account for the extra variability due to the component means, usually resulting in bigger shapes & sizes for the MVN ellipses in MoE\_gpairs plots. The function also works for univariate response data.

## Usage

## **Arguments**

Х

An object of class "MoEClust" generated by MoE\_clust, or an object of class "MoECompare" generated by MoE\_compare. Models with a noise component are facilitated here too.

weighted

A logical indicating whether the estimated cluster membership probabilities should be used to provide a weighted estimate of the variability due to the component means. Defaults to TRUE. The option weighted=FALSE is provided only

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so that previous behaviour under earlier versions of this package can be recovered but is otherwise not recommended.

... Catches unused arguments.

#### **Details**

This function is used internally by MoE\_gpairs, plot.MoEClust(x, what="gpairs"), and as.Mclust, for visualisation purposes.

## Value

The variance component only from the parameters list from the output of a call to MoE\_clust, modified accordingly.

#### Note

The modelName of the resulting variance object may not correspond to the model name of the "MoEClust" object, in particular scale, shape, &/or orientation may no longer be constrained across clusters, and cholsigma, if it was in the input, will be discarded from the output. Usually, the modelName of the transformed variance object will be "VVV" for multivariate data and "V" for univariate data, but not always. Furthermore, the output will drop certain row and column names from the output.

# Author(s)

```
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```

#### References

Murphy, K. and Murphy, T. B. (2020). Gaussian parsimonious clustering models with covariates and a noise component. *Advances in Data Analysis and Classification*, 14(2): 293-325. <doi:10.1007/s11634019003738>.

#### See Also

```
MoE_clust, MoE_gpairs, plot.MoEClust, as.Mclust
```

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force\_posiDiag

Force diagonal elements of a triangular matrix to be positive

# **Description**

This function ensures that the triangular matrix in a QR (or other) decomposition has positive values along its diagonal.

# Usage

```
force_posiDiag(x)
```

## **Arguments**

Х

A matrix, which must be either upper-triangular or lower-triangular.

#### Value

An upper or lower triangular matrix with positive diagonal entries such that the matrix is still a valid decomposition of the matrix the input x is a decomposition of.

## Author(s)

```
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```

# **Examples**

MoE\_AvePP

Average posterior probabilities of a fitted MoEClust model

# **Description**

Calculates the per-component average posterior probabilities of a fitted MoEClust model.

# Usage

```
MoE_AvePP(x)
```

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# Arguments

Х

An object of class "MoEClust" generated by MoE\_clust, or an object of class "MoECompare" generated by MoE\_compare. Models with gating and/or expert covariates and/or a noise component are facilitated here too.

#### **Details**

This function calculates AvePP, the average posterior probability of membership for each component for the observations assigned to that component via MAP probabilities.

## Value

A named vector of numbers, of length equal to the number of components (G), in the range [1/G,1], such that *larger* values indicate clearer separation of the clusters. Note that G=xG for models without a noise component and G=xG + 1 for models with a noise component.

## Note

This function will always return values of 1 for all components for models fitted using the "CEM" algorithm (see MoE\_control), or models with only one component.

# Author(s)

```
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```

### References

Murphy, K. and Murphy, T. B. (2020). Gaussian parsimonious clustering models with covariates and a noise component. *Advances in Data Analysis and Classification*, 14(2): 293-325. <doi:10.1007/s11634019003738>.

# See Also

```
MoE_clust, MoE_control, MoE_entropy
```

MoE\_clust

MoEClust: Gaussian Parsimonious Clustering Models with Covariates and a Noise Component

## **Description**

Fits MoEClust models: Gaussian Mixture of Experts models with GPCM/mclust-family covariance structures. In other words, performs model-based clustering via the EM/CEM algorithm where covariates are allowed to enter neither, either, or both the mixing proportions (gating network) and/or component densities (expert network) of a Gaussian Parsimonious Clustering Model, with or without an additional noise component. Additional arguments are available via the function MoE\_control, including the specification of a noise component, controls on the initialisation of the algorithm, and more.

# Usage

```
MoE_clust(data,
          G = 1:9,
          modelNames = NULL,
          gating = \sim 1,
          expert = \sim 1,
          control = MoE_control(...),
          network.data = NULL,
          ...)
## S3 method for class 'MoEClust'
print(x,
      digits = 3L,
      ...)
## S3 method for class 'MoEClust'
summary(object,
        classification = TRUE,
        parameters = FALSE,
        networks = FALSE,
        ...)
```

# **Arguments**

data

A numeric vector, matrix, or data frame of observations. Categorical variables are not allowed. If a matrix or data frame, rows correspond to observations and columns correspond to variables.

G

An integer vector specifying the number(s) of mixture components (clusters) to fit. Defaults to G=1:9. Must be a strictly positive integer, unless a noise component is included in the estimation, in which case G=0 is allowed and *also* included by default. (see MoE\_control).

modelNames

A vector of character strings indicating the models to be fitted in the EM/CEM phase of clustering. With n observations and d variables, the defaults are:

```
for univariate data c("E", "V") for multivariate data n > d mclust.options("emModelNames") for high-dimensional multivariate data n \le d c("EII", "VII", "EEI", "EVI", "VEI", "VVI")
```

For single-component models these options reduce to:

```
for univariate data "E" for multivariate data n>d c("EII", "EEI", "EEE") for high-dimensional multivariate data n\leq d c("EII", "EEI")
```

For zero-component models with a noise component only the "E" and "EII" models will be fitted for univariate and multivariate data, respectively, although this is clearly for naming consistency only. The help file for mclustModelNames further describes the available models (though the "X" in the single-component models will be coerced to "E" if supplied that way). For single-component models, other model names equivalent to those above can be supplied, but will be coerced to those above.

gating

A formula for determining the model matrix for the multinomial logistic regression in the gating network when fixed covariates enter the mixing proportions. Defaults to ~1, i.e. no covariates. This will be ignored where G=1. Continuous, categorical, and/or ordinal covariates are allowed. Logical covariates will be coerced to factors. Interactions, transformations, and higher order terms are permitted: the latter **must** be specified explicitly using the AsIs operator (I). The specification of the LHS of the formula is ignored. Intercept terms are included by default.

expert

A formula for determining the model matrix for the (multivariate) WLS in the expert network when fixed covariates are included in the component densities. Defaults to ~1, i.e. no covariates. Continuous, categorical, and/or ordinal covariates are allowed. Logical covariates will be coerced to factors. Interactions, transformations, and higher order terms are permitted: the latter **must** be specified explicitly using the AsIs operator (I). The specification of the LHS of the formula is ignored. Intercept terms are included by default.

control

A list of control parameters for the EM/CEM and other aspects of the algorithm. The defaults are set by a call to MoE\_control. In particular, arguments pertaining to the inclusion of an additional noise component are documented here.

network.data

An optional data frame (or a matrix with named columns) in which to look for the covariates in the gating &/or expert network formulas, if any. If not found in network.data, any supplied gating &/or expert covariates are taken from the environment from which MoE\_clust is called. Try to ensure the names of variables in network.data do not match any of those in data.

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An alternative means of passing control parameters directly via the named arguments of MoE\_control. Do not pass the output from a call to MoE\_control here! This argument is only relevant for the MoE\_clust function and will be ignored for the associated print and summary functions.

x, object, digits, classification, parameters, networks

Arguments required for the print and summary functions: x and object are objects of class "MoEClust" resulting from a call to MoE\_clust, while digits gives the number of decimal places to round to for printing purposes (defaults to 3). classification, parameters, and networks are logicals which govern whether a table of the MAP classification of observations, the mixture component parameters, and the gating/expert network coefficients are printed, respectively.

#### **Details**

The function effectively allows 6 different types of Gaussian Mixture of Experts model (as well as the different models in the GPCM/mclust family, for each): i) the standard finite Gaussian mixture with no covariates, ii) fixed covariates only in the gating network, iii) fixed covariates only in the expert network, iv) the full Mixture of Experts model with fixed covariates entering both the mixing proportions and component densities. By constraining the mixing proportions to be equal (see equalPro in MoE\_control) two extra special cases are facilitated when gating covariates are excluded.

Note that having the same covariates in both networks is allowed. So too are interactions, transformations, and higher order terms (see formula): the latter **must** be specified explicitly using the AsIs operator (I). Covariates can be continuous, categorical, logical, or ordinal, but the response must always be continuous.

While model selection in terms of choosing the optimal number of components and the GPCM/mclust model type is performed within MoE\_clust, using one of the criterion options within MoE\_control, choosing between multiple fits with different combinations of covariates or different initialisation settings can be done by supplying objects of class "MoEClust" to MoE\_compare.

#### Value

A list (of class "MoEClust") with the following named entries, mostly corresponding to the chosen optimal model (as determined by the criterion within MoE\_control):

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call	The matched call.
data	The input data, as a data.frame.

modelName A character string denoting the GPCM/mclust model type at which the optimal

criterion occurs.

n The number of observations in the data.

d The dimension of the data.

G The optimal number of mixture components according to criterion.

BIC A matrix of *all* BIC values with length(G) rows and length(modelNames)

columns. May include missing entries: NA represents models which were not visited, -Inf represents models which were terminated due to error, for which a log-likelihood could not be estimated. Inherits the classes "MoECriterion" and "mclustBIC", for which dedicated print, summary, and plot methods exist,

respectively.

ICL

A matrix of *all* ICL values with length{G} rows and length(modelNames) columns. May include missing entries: NA represents models which were not visited, -Inf represents models which were terminated due to error, for which a log-likelihood could not be estimated. Inherits the classes "MoECriterion" and "mclustICL", for which dedicated print, summary, and plot methods exist, respectively.

AIC

A matrix of *all* AIC values with length(G) rows and length(modelNames) columns. May include missing entries: NA represents models which were not visited, -Inf represents models which were terminated due to error, for which a log-likelihood could not be estimated. Inherits the classes "MoECriterion" and "mclustAIC", for which dedicated print, summary, and plot methods exist, respectively.

bic

The BIC value corresponding to the optimal model. May not necessarily be the optimal BIC.

icl

The ICL value corresponding to the optimal model. May not necessarily be the optimal ICL.

aic

The AIC value corresponding to the optimal model. May not necessarily be the optimal AIC.

gating

An object of class "MoE\_gating" (for which dedicated print, summary, and predict methods exist) and either "multinom" or "glm" (only for single-component models or noise-only models) giving the multinom regression coefficients of the gating network. If gating covariates were NOT supplied (or the best model has just one component), this corresponds to a RHS of ~1, otherwise the supplied gating formula. As such, a fitted gating network is always returned even in the absence of supplied covariates or clusters. The number of parameters to penalise by for MoE\_crit is given by length(coef(gating)), and the gating formula used is stored here as an attribute. If there is a noise component (and the option noise.gate=TRUE is invoked), its coefficients are those for the last component. Users are cautioned against making inferences about statistical significance from summaries of the coefficients in the gating network.

expert

An object of class "MoE\_expert" (for which dedicated print, summary, and predict methods exist) and "lm" giving the (multivariate) WLS regression coefficients of the expert network. If expert covariates were NOT supplied, this corresponds to a RHS of ~1, otherwise the supplied expert formula. As such, a fitted expert network is always returned even in the absence of supplied covariates. The number of parameters to penalise by for MoE\_crit is given by G \* length(coef(expert[[1]])), and the expert formula used is stored here is an attribute. Users are cautioned against making inferences about statistical significance from summaries of the coefficients in the expert network.

LOGLIK

A matrix of *all* maximal log-likelihood values with length(G) rows and length(modelNames) columns. May include missing entries: NA represents models which were not visited, -Inf represents models which were terminated due to error, for which a log-likelihood could not be estimated. Inherits the classes "MoECriterion" and "mclustLoglik", for which dedicated print, summary, and plot methods exist, respectively.

log1ik The vector of increasing log-likelihood values for every EM/CEM iteration un-

der the optimal model. The last element of this vector is the maximum log-

likelihood achieved by the parameters returned at convergence.

linf An asymptotic estimate of the final converged maximised log-likelihood. Re-

turned when stopping="aitken" and G > 1 (see MoE\_control and aitken),

otherwise the last element of loglik is returned instead.

df The number of estimated parameters in the optimal model (i.e. the number of

'used' degrees of freedom). Subtract this number from n to get the degrees of freedom. The number of parameters due to the gating network, expert network,

and covariance matrices are also stored here as attributes of df.

iters The total number of EM/CEM iterations for the optimal model.

hypvol The hypervolume parameter for the noise component if required, otherwise set

to NA (see MoE\_control).

parameters A list with the following named components:

pro The mixing proportions: either a vector of length G or, if gating covariates were supplied, a matrix with an entry for each observation (rows) and component (columns).

mean The means of each component. If there is more than one component, this is a matrix whose k-th column is the mean of the k-th component of the

mixture model.

For models with expert network covariates, this is given by the posterior mean of the fitted values, otherwise the posterior mean of the response is reported. For models with expert network covariates, the *observation-specific* component means can be accessed by calling predict on the expert object above.

variance A list of variance parameters of each component of the model. The components of this list depend on the model type specification. See the help file for mclustVariance for details. Also see expert\_covar for an alternative approach to summarising the variance parameters in the presence of expert network covariates.

Vinv The inverse of the hypervolume parameter for the noise component if required, otherwise set to NULL (see MoE\_control).

The final responsibility matrix whose [i,k]-th entry is the probability that observation i belonds to the k-th component. If there is a noise component, its values are found in the last column.

classification The vector of cluster labels for the chosen model corresponding to z, i.e. max.col(z).

Observations belonging to the noise component, if any, will belong to compo-

nent 0.

z

uncertainty The uncertainty associated with the classification.

net.covs A data frame gathering the unique set of covariates used in the gating and

expert networks, if any. Will contain zero columns in the absence of gating or expert network covariates. Supplied gating covariates will be excluded if the optimal model has only one component. May have fewer columns than covariates supplied via the network.data argument also, as only the included

covariates are gathered here.

resid.data In the presence of expert network covariates, this is the augmented data actually

used in the clustering at convergence, as a list of G matrices of WLS residuals of dimension  $n \star d$ . Will contain zero columns in the absence of expert network

covariates.

DF A matrix giving the numbers of estimated parameters (i.e. the number of 'used'

 $degrees \ of \ freedom) \ for \ \it{all} \ visited \ models, with \ length \{G\} \ rows \ and \ length (model Names)$ 

columns. Subtract these numbers from n to get the degrees of freedom. May include missing entries: NA represents models which were not visited, -Inf represents models which were terminated due to error, for which parameters could not be estimated. Inherits the classes "MoECriterion" and "mclustDF", for

which dedicated print, summary, and plot methods exist, respectively.

ITERS A matrix giving the total number of EM/CEM iterations for *all* visited models,

with length(G) rows and length(modelNames) columns. May include missing entries: NA represents models which were not visited, Inf represents models which were terminated due to singularity/error and thus would never have converged. Inherits the classes "MoECriterion" and "mclustITERS", for which

dedicated print, summary, and plot methods exist, respectively.

Dedicated plot, predict, print, and summary functions exist for objects of class "MoEClust". The results can be coerced to the "Mclust" class to access other functions from the **mclust** package via as.Mclust.

#### Note

Where BIC, ICL, AIC, LOGLIK, DF and ITERS contain NA entries, this corresponds to a model which was not run; for instance a VVV model is never run for single-component models as it is equivalent to EEE. As such, one can consider the value as not really missing, but equivalent to the EEE value. BIC, ICL, AIC, LOGLIK, DF and ITERS all inherit the classes "MoECriterion" and "mclustBIC", "mclustICL", etc., for which dedicated print, summary, and plot methods exist, respectively.

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# See Also

See MoE\_stepwise for identifying the optimal model and its covariates via greedy forward stepwise selection.

MoE\_control, MoE\_compare, plot.MoEClust, predict.MoEClust, predict.MoE\_gating, predict.MoE\_expert, as.Mclust, MoE\_crit, MoE\_estep, MoE\_cstep, MoE\_dens, mclustModelNames, mclustVariance, expert\_covar, aitken, I

```
data(ais)
hema \leftarrow ais[,3:7]
sex
     <- ais$sex
     <- ais$BMI
# Fit a standard finite mixture model
   <- MoE_clust(hema, G=2:3)
# Allow covariates to enter the mixing proportions
      <- MoE_clust(hema, G=2:3, gating= ~ sex + BMI)
# Allow covariates to enter the component densities
     <- MoE_clust(hema, G=2:3, expert= ~ sex)
# Allow covariates to enter both the gating & expert network
      <- MoE_clust(hema, G=2:3, gating= ~ BMI, expert= ~ sex)
# Fit an equal mixing proportion model with an expert network covariate
      <- MoE_clust(hema, G=2:3, expert= ~ sex + BMI, equalPro=TRUE)
# Fit models with gating covariates & an additional noise component
      <- MoE_clust(hema, G=2:3, tau0=0.1, gating= ~ BMI, network.data=ais)
# Extract the model with highest BIC
(comp <- MoE_compare(m1, m2, m3, m4, m5, m6, criterion="bic"))</pre>
# See if a better model can be found using greedy forward stepwise selection
(step <- MoE_stepwise(ais[,3:7], ais))</pre>
(comp <- MoE_compare(comp, step, optimal.only=TRUE))</pre>
(best <- comp$optimal)</pre>
(summ <- summary(best, classification=TRUE, parameters=TRUE, networks=TRUE))
# Examine the expert network in greater detail
# (but refrain from inferring statistical significance!)
summary(best$expert)
# Visualise the results, incl. the gating network and log-likelihood
plot(best, what="gpairs")
plot(best, what="gating") # equal mixing proportions!
plot(best, what="loglik")
# Visualise the results using the 'lattice' library
require("lattice")
      <- factor(best$classification, labels=paste0("Cluster", seq_len(best$G)))</pre>
splom(~ hema | sex, groups=z)
splom(~ hema | z, groups=sex)
```

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MoE\_compare

Choose the best MoEClust model

# **Description**

Takes one or more sets of MoEClust models fitted by MoE\_clust (or MoE\_stepwise) and ranks them according to the BIC, ICL, or AIC. It's possible to respect the internal ranking within each set of models, or to discard models within each set which were already deemed sub-optimal. This function can help with model selection via exhaustive or stepwise searches.

# Usage

# **Arguments**

One or more objects of class "MoEClust" outputted by MoE\_clust. All models

must have been fit to the same data set. A single *named* list of such objects can also be supplied. Additionally, objects of class "MoECompare" outputted by this

very function can also be supplied here.

This argument is only relevant for the MoE\_compare function and will be ignored

for the associated print function.

criterion The criterion used to determine the ranking. Defaults to "bic".

pick The (integer) number of models to be ranked and compared. Defaults to 10L.

Will be constrained by the number of models within the "MoEClust" objects supplied via ... if optimal.only is FALSE, otherwise constrained simply by the number of "MoEClust" objects supplied. Setting pick=Inf is a valid way to

select all models.

optimal.only Logical indicating whether to only rank models already deemed optimal within

each "MoEClust" object (TRUE), or to allow models which were deemed subop-

timal enter the final ranking (FALSE, the default). See details.

x, index, posidens, rerank, digits, details, maxi

Arguments required for the associated print function:

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x An object of class "MoECompare" resulting from a call to MoE\_compare.

index A logical or numeric vector giving the indices of the rows of the table of ranked models to print. This defaults to the full set of ranked models. It can be useful when the table of ranked models is large to examine a subset via this index argument, for display purposes. See rerank.

posidens A logical indicating whether models which have been flagged for having positive log-densities should be included in the comparison (defaults to TRUE). Such models may correspond to spurious solutions and can be discarded by specifying posidens=FALSE. Only relevant if any of the "MoEClust" objects being compared were themselves run with posidens=TRUE.

rerank A logical indicating whether the ranks should be recomputed when subsetting using index. Defaults to FALSE. Only relevant when details=TRUE.

digits The number of decimal places to round model selection criteria to (defaults to 3).

details Logical indicating whether some additional details should be printed, defaults to TRUE. Exists to facilitate MoE\_stepwise printing.

maxi A number specifying the maximum number of rows/models to print. Defaults to length(index).

## **Details**

The purpose of this function is to conduct model selection on "MoEClust" objects, fit to the same data set, with different combinations of gating/expert network covariates or different initialisation settings.

Model selection will have already been performed in terms of choosing the optimal number of components and GPCM/mclust model type within each supplied set of results, but MoE\_compare will respect the internal ranking of models when producing the final ranking if optimal.only is FALSE: otherwise only those models already deemed optimal within each "MoEClust" object will be ranked.

As such if two sets of results are supplied when optimal.only is FALSE, the 1st, 2nd and 3rd best models could all belong to the first set of results, meaning a model deemed suboptimal according to one set of covariates could be superior to one deemed optimal under another set of covariates.

### Value

A list of class "MoECompare", for which a dedicated print function exists, containing the following elements (each of length pick, and ranked according to criterion, where appropriate):

data The name of the data set to which the models were fitted.

optimal The single optimal model (an object of class "MoEClust") among those sup-

plied, according to the chosen criterion.

pick The final number of ranked models. May be different (i.e. less than) the supplied

pick value.

MoENames The names of the supplied "MoEClust" objects.

modelNames The mclustModelNames.

G The optimal numbers of components.

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df	The numbers of estimated parameters.
iters	The numbers of EM/CEM iterations.
bic	BIC values, ranked according to criterion.
icl	ICL values, ranked according to criterion.
aic	AIC values, ranked according to criterion.
loglik	Maximal log-likelihood values, ranked according to criterion.
gating	The gating formulas.
expert	The expert formulas.
algo	The algorithm used for fitting the model - either "EM", "CEM", "cemEM".
equalPro	Logical indicating whether mixing proportions were constrained to be equal across components.
hypvol	Hypervolume parameters for the noise component if relevant, otherwise set to NA (see MoE_control).
noise	The type of noise component fitted (if any). Only displayed if at least one of the compared models has a noise component.
noise.gate	Logical indicating whether gating covariates were allowed to influence the noise component's mixing proportion. Only printed for models with a noise component, when at least one of the compared models has gating covariates.
equalNoise	Logical indicating whether the mixing proportion of the noise component for equalPro models is also equal (TRUE) or estimated (FALSE).

# Note

The criterion argument here need not comply with the criterion used for model selection within each "MoEClust" object, but be aware that a mismatch in terms of criterion *may* require the optimal model to be re-fit in order to be extracted, thereby slowing down MoE\_compare.

If random starts had been used via init.z="random" the optimal model may not necessarily correspond to the highest-ranking model in the presence of a criterion mismatch, due to the randomness of the initialisation.

A dedicated print function exists for objects of class "MoECompare".

plot.MoEClust and as.Mclust can both also be called on objects of class "MoECompare".

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# References

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#### See Also

See MoE\_stepwise for identifying the optimal model and its covariates via greedy forward stepwise selection.

MoE\_clust, mclustModelNames, plot.MoEClust, as.Mclust

# **Examples**

```
data(CO2data)
CO2
      <- CO2data$CO2
GNP
      <- CO2data$GNP
# Fit a range of models
      <- MoE_clust(CO2, G=1:3)
      <- MoE_clust(CO2, G=2:3, gating= ~ GNP)
m2
      <- MoE_clust(CO2, G=1:3, expert= ~ GNP)
m3
      <- MoE_clust(CO2, G=2:3, gating= ~ GNP, expert= ~ GNP)
m4
      <- MoE_clust(CO2, G=2:3, equalPro=TRUE)
      <- MoE_clust(CO2, G=2:3, expert= ~ GNP, equalPro=TRUE)
m6
m7
      <- MoE_clust(CO2, G=2:3, expert= ~ GNP, tau0=0.1)
# Rank only the optimal models and examine the best model
(comp <- MoE_compare(m1, m2, m3, m4, m5, m6, m7, optimal.only=TRUE))</pre>
(best <- comp$optimal)</pre>
(summ <- summary(best, classification=TRUE, parameters=TRUE, networks=TRUE))
# Examine all models visited, including those already deemed suboptimal
# Only print models with expert covariates & more than one component
comp2 <- MoE_compare(m1, m2, m3, m4, m5, m6, m7, pick=Inf)</pre>
print(comp2, index=comp2$expert != "None" & comp2$G > 1)
# Conduct a stepwise search on the same data
(mod1 <- MoE_stepwise(CO2, GNP))</pre>
# Conduct another stepwise search considering models with a noise component
(mod2 <- MoE_stepwise(CO2, GNP, noise=TRUE))</pre>
# Compare both sets of results to choose the optimal model
(best <- MoE_compare(mod1, mod2, optimal.only=TRUE)$optimal)</pre>
```

MoE\_control

Set control values for use with MoEClust

#### Description

Supplies a list of arguments (with defaults) for use with MoE\_clust.

## Usage

```
MoE_control(init.z = c("hc", "quantile", "kmeans", "mclust", "random", "list"),
            noise.args = list(...),
            asMclust = FALSE,
            equalPro = FALSE,
            exp.init = list(...),
            algo = c("EM", "CEM", "cemEM"),
            criterion = c("bic", "icl", "aic"),
            stopping = c("aitken", "relative"),
            z.list = NULL,
            nstarts = 1L,
            eps = .Machine$double.eps,
            tol = c(1e-05, sqrt(.Machine$double.eps), 1e-08),
            itmax = c(.Machine$integer.max, .Machine$integer.max, 1000L),
            hc.args = list(...),
            km.args = list(...),
            posidens = TRUE,
            init.crit = c("bic", "icl"),
            warn.it = 0L,
            MaxNWts = 1000L,
            verbose = interactive(),
            ...)
```

# **Arguments**

init.z

The method used to initialise the cluster labels for the *non-noise* components. Defaults to "hc", i.e. model-based agglomerative hierarchical clustering tree as per hc, for multivariate data (see hc.args), or "quantile"-based clustering as per quant\_clust for univariate data (unless there are expert network covariates incorporated via exp.init\$joint &/or exp.init\$clustMD, in which case the default is again "hc"). The "quantile" option is thus only available for univariate data when expert network covariates are not incorporated via exp.init\$joint &/or exp.init\$clustMD, or when expert network covariates are not supplied.

Other options include "kmeans" (see km.args), "random" initialisation (see nstarts below), a user-supplied "list", and a full run of Mclust (itself initialised via a model-based agglomerative hierarchical clustering tree, again see hc.args), although this last option "mclust" will be coerced to "hc" if there are no gating &/or expert covariates within MoE\_clust (in order to better reproduce Mclust output).

When init.z="list", exp.init\$clustMD is forced to FALSE; otherwise, when isTRUE(exp.init\$clustMD) and the clustMD library is loaded, the init.z argument instead governs the method by which a call to clustMD is initialised. In this instance, "quantile" will instead default to "hc", and the arguments to hc.args and km.args will be ignored (unless all clustMD model types fail for a given number of components).

When init.z="mclust" or clustMD is successfully invoked (via exp.init\$clustMD), the argument init.crit (see below) specifies the model-selection criterion

("bic" or "icl") by which the optimal Mclust or clustMD model type to initialise with is determined, and criterion remains unaffected.

Finally, when the model includes expert network covariates and isTRUE(exp.init\$mahalanobis), the argument exp.init\$estart (see below) can be used to modify the behaviour of init.z="random" when nstarts > 1, toggling between a full run of the EM algorithm for each random initialisation (i.e. exp.init\$estart=FALSE, the default), or a single run of the EM algorithm starting from the best initial partition obtained among the random starts according to the iterative reallocation initialisation routine (i.e. exp.init\$estart=TRUE).

noise.args

A list supplying select named parameters to control inclusion of a noise component in the estimation of the mixture. If either or both of the arguments tau0 &/or noise.init are supplied, a noise component is added to the model in the estimation.

- tau0 Prior mixing proportion for the noise component. If supplied, a noise component will be added to the model in the estimation, with tau0 giving the prior probability of belonging to the noise component for *all* observations. Typically supplied as a scalar in the interval (0, 1), e.g. 0.1. Can be supplied as a vector when gating covariates are present and noise.args\$noise.gate is TRUE. This argument can be supplied instead of or in conjunction with the argument noise.init below.
- noise.init A logical or numeric vector indicating an initial guess as to which observations are noise in the data. If numeric, the entries should correspond to row indices of the data. If supplied, a noise component will be added to the model in the estimation. This argument can be used in conjunction with tau0 above, or can be replaced by that argument also.
- noise.gate A logical indicating whether gating network covariates influence the mixing proportion for the noise component, if any. Defaults to TRUE, but leads to greater parsimony if FALSE. Only relevant in the presence of a noise component; only effects estimation in the presence of gating covariates.
- noise.meth The method used to estimate the volume when a noise component is invoked. Defaults to hypvol. For univariate data, this argument is ignored and the range of the data is used instead (unless noise.vol below is specified). The options "convexhull" and "ellipsoidhull" require loading the geometry and cluster libraries, respectively. This argument is only relevant if noise.vol below is not supplied.
- noise.vol This argument can be used to override the argument noise.meth by specifying the (hyper)volume directly, i.e. specifying an improper uniform density. This will override the use of the range of the response data for univariate data if supplied. Note that the (hyper)volume, rather than its inverse, is supplied here. This can affect prediction and the location of the MVN ellipses for MoE\_gpairs plots (see noise\_vol).
- equalNoise Logical which is **only** invoked when isTRUE(equalPro) and gating covariates are not supplied. Under the default setting (FALSE), the mixing proportion for the noise component is estimated, and remaining mixing proportions are equal; when TRUE all components, including the noise component, have equal mixing proportions.

discard.noise A logical governing how the means are summarised in parameters\$mean

and by extension the location of the MVN ellipses in MoE\_gpairs plots for models with *both* expert network covariates and a noise component (otherwise this argument is irrelevant).

The means for models with expert network covariates are summarised by the posterior mean of the fitted values. By default (FALSE), the mean of the noise component is accounted for in the posterior mean. Otherwise, or when the mean of the noise component is unavailable (due to having been manually supplied via noise.args\$noise.vol), the z matrix is renormalised after discarding the column corresponding to the noise component prior to computation of the posterior mean. The renormalisation approach can be forced by specifying noise.args\$discard.noise=TRUE, even when the mean of the noise component is available. For models with a noise component fitted with algo="CEM", a small extra E-step is conducted for observations assigned to the non-noise components in this case.

In particular, the argument noise.meth will be ignored for high-dimensional  $n \le d$  data, in which case the argument noise.vol *must be* specified. Note that this forces noise.args\$discard.noise to TRUE. See noise\_vol for more details.

The arguments tau0 and noise.init can be used separately, to provide alternative means to invoke a noise component. However, they can also be supplied together, in which case observations corresponding to noise.init have probability tau0 (rather than 1) of belonging to the noise component.

The default values of stopping and hc.args\$hcUse (see below) are such that results for models with *no covariates in either network* are liable to differ from results for equivalent models obtained via Mclust. MoEClust uses stopping="aitken" and hcUse="VARS" by default, while mclust always implicitly uses stopping="relative" and defaults to hcUse="SVD".

asMclust is a logical variable (FALSE, by default) which functions as a simple convenience tool for overriding these two arguments (even if explicitly supplied!) such that they behave like the function Mclust. Other *user-specified* arguments which differ from **mclust** are not affected by asMclust, as their defaults already correspond to **mclust**. Results may still differ slightly as **MoEClust** calculates log-likelihood values with greater precision. Finally, note that asMclust=TRUE is invoked even for models with covariates which are not accommodated by **mclust**.

Logical variable indicating whether or not the mixing proportions are to be constrained to be equal in the model. Default: equalPro = FALSE. Only relevant when gating covariates are *not* supplied within MoE\_clust, otherwise ignored. In the presence of a noise component (see noise.args), only the mixing proportions for the non-noise components are constrained to be equal (by default, see equalNoise), after accounting for the noise component.

A list supplying select named parameters to control the initialisation routine in the presence of *expert* network covariates (otherwise ignored):

joint A logical indicating whether the initial partition is obtained on the joint distribution of the response and expert network covariates (defaults to TRUE) or just the response variables (FALSE). By default, only continuous expert network covariates are considered (see exp.init\$clustMD below). Only

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relevant when init.z is not "random" (unless isTRUE(exp.init\$clustMD), in which case init.z specifies the initialisation routine for a call to clustMD). This will render the "quantile" option to init.z for univariate data unusable if continuous expert network covariates are supplied &/or categorical/ordinal expert network covariates are supplied when isTRUE(exp.init\$clustMD) and the clustMD library is loaded.

- mahalanobis A logical indicating whether to iteratively reallocate observations during the initialisation phase to the component corresponding to the expert network regression to which it's closest to the fitted values of in terms of Mahalanobis distance (defaults to TRUE). This will ensure that each component can be well modelled by a single expert prior to running the EM/CEM algorithm.
- estart A logical governing the behaviour of init.z="random" when nstarts
  > 1 in the presence of expert network covariates. Only relevant when isTRUE(exp.init\$mahalanobi
  Defaults to FALSE; i.e. all random starts are put through full runs of the EM
  algorithm. When TRUE, all random starts are put through the initial iterative
  reallocation routine prior to a full run of EM for only the single best random
  initial partition obtained. See the last set of Examples below.
- clustMD A logical indicating whether categorical/ordinal covariates should be incorporated when using the joint distribution of the response and expert network covariates for initialisation (defaults to FALSE). Only relevant when isTRUE(exp.init\$joint). Requires the use of the clustMD library. Note that initialising in this manner involves fitting all clustMD model types in parallel for all numbers of components considered, and may fail (especially) in the presence of nominal expert network covariates.
  - Unless init.z="list", supplying this argument as TRUE when the clustMD library is loaded has the effect of superseding the init.z argument: this argument now governs instead how the call to clustMD is initialised (unless all clustMD model types fail for a given number of components, in which case init.z is invoked *instead* to initialise for G values for which all clustMD model types failed). Similarly, the arguments hc.args and km.args will be ignored (again, unless all clustMD model types fail for a given number of components).
- max.init The maximum number of iterations for the Mahalanobis distancebased reallocation procedure when exp.init\$mahalanobis is TRUE. Defaults to .Machine\$integer.max.
- identity A logical indicating whether the identity matrix (corresponding to the use of the Euclidean distance) is used in place of the covariance matrix of the residuals (corresponding to the use of the Mahalanobis distance). Defaults to FALSE for multivariate response data but defaults to TRUE for univariate response data. Setting identity=TRUE with multivariate data may be advisable when the dimensions of the data are such that the covariance matrix cannot be inverted (otherwise, the pseudo-inverse is used under the FALSE default).
- drop.break When isTRUE(exp.init\$mahalanobis) observations will be completely in or out of a component during the initialisation phase. As such, it may occur that constant columns will be present when building a given component's expert regression (particularly for categorical covariates). It

may also occur, due to this partitioning, that "unseen" data, when calculating the residuals, will have new factor levels. When isTRUE(exp.init\$drop.break), the Mahalanobis distance based initialisation phase will explicitly fail in either of these scenarios.

Otherwise, drop\_constants and drop\_levels will be invoked when exp.init\$drop.break is FALSE (the default) to *try* to remedy the situation. In any case, only a warning that the initialisation step failed will be printed, regardless of the value of exp.init\$drop.break.

algo

Switch controlling whether models are fit using the "EM" (the default) or "CEM" algorithm. The option "cemEM" allows running the EM algorithm starting from convergence of the CEM algorithm.

criterion

When either G or modelNames is a vector, criterion determines whether the "bic" (Bayesian Information Criterion), "icl" (Integrated Complete Likelihood), "aic" (Akaike Information Criterion) is used to determine the 'best' model when gathering output. Note that all criteria will be returned in any case.

stopping

The criterion used to assess convergence of the EM/CEM algorithm. The default ("aitken") uses Aitken's acceleration method via aitken, otherwise the "relative" change in log-likelihood is monitored (which may be less strict). The "relative" option corresponds to the stopping criterion used by Mclust: see asMclust above.

Both stopping rules are ultimately governed by tol[1]. When the "aitken" method is employed, the asymptotic estimate of the final converged maximised log-likelihood is also returned as linf for models with 2 or more components, though the largest element of the returned vector loglik still gives the log-likelihood value achieved by the parameters returned at convergence, under both stopping methods (see MoE\_clust).

z.list

A user supplied list of initial cluster allocation matrices, with number of rows given by the number of observations, and numbers of columns given by the range of component numbers being considered. In particular, z.list must only include columns corresponding to *non-noise* components when using this method to initialise in the presence of a noise component. Only relevant if init.z == "z.list". These matrices are allowed correspond to both soft or hard clusterings, and will be internally normalised so that the rows sum to 1. See noise.init and tau0 above for details on initialisation in the presence of a noise component.

nstarts

The number of random initialisations to use when init.z="random". Defaults to 1. When there are no expert covariates (or when exp.init\$mahalanobis=FALSE or exp.init\$estart=FALSE), the results will be based on the random start yielding the highest estimated log-likelihood after each initial partition is subjected to a full run of the EM algorithm. Note, in this case, that all nstarts random initialisations are affected by exp.init\$mahalanobis, if invoked in the presence of expert network covariates, which may remove some of the randomness.

Conversely, if exp.init\$mahalanobis=TRUE and exp.init\$estart=TRUE, all nstarts random starts are put through the initial iterative reallocation routine and only the single best initial partition uncovered is put through the full run of the EM algorithm. See init.z and exp.init\$estart above for more details,

though note that exp.init\$mahalanobis=TRUE and exp.init\$estart=FALSE, by default.

eps

A scalar tolerance associated with deciding when to terminate computations due to computational singularity in covariances. Smaller values of eps allow computations to proceed nearer to singularity. The default is the relative machine precision .Machine\$double.eps, which is approximately 2e-16 on IEEE-compliant machines.

tol

A vector of length three giving *relative* convergence tolerances for 1) the log-likelihood of the EM/CEM algorithm, 2) parameter convergence in the inner loop for models with iterative M-step ("VEI", "VEE", "EVE", "VVE", "VEV"), and 3) optimisation in the multinomial logistic regression in the gating network, respectively. The default is c(1e-05, sqrt(.Machine\$double.eps), 1e-08). If only one number is supplied, it is used as the tolerance for all three cases given.

itmax

A vector of length three giving integer limits on the number of iterations for 1) the EM/CEM algorithm, 2) the inner loop for models with iterative M-step ("VEI", "VEE", "EVE", "VVE", "VEV"), and 3) the multinomial logistic regression in the gating network, respectively.

The default is c(.Machine\$integer.max, .Machine\$integer.max, 1000L), allowing termination to be completely governed by tol[1] & tol[2] for the inner and outer loops of the EM/CEM algorithm. If only one number is supplied, it is used as the iteration limit for the outer loop only and the other elements of itmax retain their usual defaults.

If, for any model with gating covariates, the multinomial logistic regression in the gating network fails to converge in itmax[3] iterations at any stage of the EM/CEM algorithm, an appropriate warning will be printed, prompting the user to modify this argument.

hc.args

A list supplying select named parameters to control the initialisation of the cluster allocations when init.z="hc" (or when init.z="mclust", which itself relies on hc), unless isTRUE(exp.init\$clustMD), the clustMD library is loaded, and none of the clustMD model types fail (otherwise irrelevant):

hcUse A string specifying the type of input variables to be used. This defaults to "VARS" here, unlike **mclust** which defaults to "SVD". Other allowable values are documented in mclust.options. See asMclust above.

hc.meth A character string indicating the model to be used when hierarchical clustering (see hc) is employed for initialisation (either when init.z="hc" or init.z="mclust"). Defaults to "EII" for high-dimensional data, or "VVV" otherwise.

km.args

A list supplying select named parameters to control the initialisation of the cluster allocations when init.z="kmeans", unless isTRUE(exp.init\$clustMD), the clustMD library is loaded, and none of the clustMD model types fail (otherwise irrelevant):

kstarts The number of random initialisations to use. Defaults to 10.

kiters The maximum number of K-Means iterations allowed. Defaults to 10.

posidens

A logical governing whether to continue running the algorithm even in the presence of positive log-densities. Defaults to TRUE, but setting posidens=FALSE

can help to safeguard against spurious solutions, which will be instantly terminated if positive log-densities are encountered. Note that versions of this package prior to and including version 1.3.1 always implicitly assumed posidens=FALSE.

init.crit The criterion to be used to determine the optimal model type to initialise with,

when init.z="mclust" or when isTRUE(exp.init\$clustMD) and the clustMD library is loaded (one of "bic" or "icl"). Defaults to "icl" when criterion="icl",

otherwise defaults to "bic". The criterion argument remains unaffected.

warn.it A single number giving the iteration count at which a warning will be printed if

the EM/CEM algorithm has failed to converge. Defaults to 0, i.e. no warning (which is true for any warn.it value less than 3), otherwise the message is printed regardless of the value of verbose. If non-zero, warn.it should be moderately large, but obviously less than itmax[1]. A warning will always be

printed if one of more models fail to converge in itmax[1] iterations.

MaxNWts The maximum allowable number of weights in the call to multinom for the

multinomial logistic regression in the gating network. There is no intrinsic limit in the code, but increasing MaxNWts will probably allow fits that are very slow and time-consuming. It may be necessary to increase MaxNWts when categorical concomitant variables with many levels are included or the number of compo-

nents is high.

verbose Logical indicating whether to print messages pertaining to progress to the screen

during fitting. By default is TRUE if the session is interactive, and FALSE otherwise. If FALSE, warnings and error messages will still be printed to the screen,

but everything else will be suppressed.

... Catches unused arguments.

#### **Details**

MoE\_control is provided for assigning values and defaults within MoE\_clust and MoE\_stepwise.

While the criterion argument controls the choice of the optimal number of components and GPCM/mclust model type, MoE\_compare is provided for choosing between fits with different combinations of covariates or different initialisation settings.

## Value

A named list in which the names are the names of the arguments and the values are the values supplied to the arguments.

#### Note

Note that successfully invoking exp.init\$clustMD (though it defaults to FALSE) affects the role of the arguments init.z, hc.args, and km.args. Please read the documentation above carefully in this instance.

The initial allocation matrices before and after the invocation of the exp.init related arguments are both stored as attributes in the object returned by MoE\_clust (named "Z.init" and "Exp.init", respectively). If init.z="random" and nstarts > 1, the allocations corresponding to the best random start are stored (regardless of whether exp.init\$estart is invoked or not). This can be useful for supplying z.list for future fits.

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#### See Also

MoE\_clust, MoE\_stepwise, aitken, Mclust, hc, mclust.options, quant\_clust, clustMD, noise\_vol, hypvol, convhulln, ellipsoidhull, MoE\_compare, multinom

```
ctrl1 <- MoE_control(criterion="icl", itmax=100, warn.it=15, init.z="random", nstarts=5)
data(CO2data)
GNP <- CO2data$GNP
res <- MoE_clust(CO2data$CO2, G=2, expert = ~ GNP, control=ctrl1)
# Alternatively, specify control arguments directly
res2 <- MoE_clust(CO2data$CO2, G=2, expert = ~ GNP, stopping="relative")
# Supplying ctrl1 without naming it as 'control' can throw an error
res3 <- MoE_clust(CO2data$CO2, G=2, expert = ~ GNP, ctrl1)
## End(Not run)
# Similarly, supplying control arguments via a mix of the ... construct
# and the named argument 'control' also throws an error
## Not run:
res4 <- MoE_clust(CO2data$CO2, G=2, expert = ~ GNP, control=ctrl1, init.z="kmeans")
## End(Not run)
# Initialise via the mixed-type joint distribution of response & covariates
# Let the ICL criterion determine the optimal clustMD model type
# Constrain the mixing proportions to be equal
ctrl2 <- MoE_control(exp.init=list(clustMD=TRUE), init.crit="icl", equalPro=TRUE)
data(ais)
library(clustMD)
res4 <- MoE_clust(ais[,3:7], G=2, modelNames="EVE", expert= ~ sex,</pre>
                   network.data=ais, control=ctrl2)
# Include a noise component by specifying its prior mixing proportion
res5 <- MoE_clust(ais[,3:7], G=2, modelNames="EVE", expert= ~ sex,</pre>
                   network.data=ais, tau0=0.1)
# Investigate the use of random starts
sex <- ais$sex
# resA uses deterministic starting values (by default) for each G value
 system.time(resA <- MoE_clust(ais[,3:7], G=2, expert=~sex, equalPro=TRUE))</pre>
# resB passes each random start through the entire EM algorithm for each G value
 system.time(resB <- MoE_clust(ais[,3:7], G=2, expert=~sex, equalPro=TRUE,
                              init.z="random", nstarts=10))
# resC passes only the "best" random start through the EM algorithm for each G value
 system.time(resC <- MoE_clust(ais[,3:7], G=2, expert=~sex, equalPro=TRUE,</pre>
```

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```
init.z = "random", \ nstarts = 10, \ estart = TRUE)) # Here, all three settings (listed here in order of speed) converge to the same model MoE_compare(resA, resC, resB)
```

MoE\_crit

MoEClust BIC, ICL, and AIC Model-Selection Criteria

# Description

Computes the BIC (Bayesian Information Criterion), ICL (Integrated Complete Likelihood), and AIC (Akaike Information Criterion) for parsimonious mixture of experts models given the log-likelihood, the dimension of the data, the number of mixture components in the model, the numbers of parameters in the gating and expert networks respectively, and, for the ICL, the numbers of observations in each component.

# Usage

# **Arguments**

modelName	A character string indicating the model. The help file for mclustModelNames describes the available models. Not necessary if df is supplied.
loglik	The log-likelihood for a data set with respect to the Gaussian mixture model specified in the modelName argument.
n, d, G	The number of observations in the data, dimension of the data, and number of components in the Gaussian mixture model, respectively, used to compute loglik. d & G are not necessary if df is supplied.
gating.pen	The number of parameters of the <i>gating</i> network of the MoEClust model. Defaults to G - 1, which corresponds to no gating covariates. If covariates are included, this should be the number of regression coefficients in the fitted gating object. If there are no covariates and mixing proportions are further assumed to be present in equal proportion, gating.pen should be 0. The number of parameters used in the estimation of the noise component, if any, should also be included. Not necessary if df is supplied.
expert.pen	The number of parameters of the <i>expert</i> network of the MoEClust model. Defaults to $G \star d$ , which corresponds to no expert covariates. If covariates are included, this should be the number of regression coefficients in the fitted expert

object. Not necessary if df is supplied.

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Z The n times G responsibility matrix whose [i,k]-th entry is the probability that observation i belongs to the k-th component.. If supplied the ICL is also computed and returned, otherwise only the BIC and AIC.

An alternative way to specify the number of estimated parameters (or 'used' degrees of freedom) exactly. If supplied, the arguments modelName, d, G, gating.pen, and expert.pen, which are used to calculate the number of parameters, will be ignored. The number of parameters used in the estimation of the noise component, if any, should also be included.

#### **Details**

df

The function is vectorised with respect to the arguments modelName and loglik.

If model is an object of class "MoEClust" with G components, the number of parameters for the gating.pen and expert.pen are length(coef(model\$gating)) and G \* length(coef(model\$expert[[1]])), respectively.

Models with a noise component are facilitated here too, provided the extra number of parameters are accounted for by the user.

#### Value

A simplified array containing the BIC, AIC, number of estimated parameters (df) and, if z is supplied, also the ICL, for each of the given input arguments.

#### Note

In order to speed up repeated calls to the function inside MoE\_clust, no checks take place.

## Author(s)

```
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```

#### References

Biernacki, C., Celeux, G. and Govaert, G. (2000). Assessing a mixture model for clustering with the integrated completed likelihood. *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*, 22(7): 719-725.

#### See Also

```
MoE_clust, nVarParams, mclustModelNames
```

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MoE\_cstep

C-step for MoEClust Models

## **Description**

Function to compute the assignment matrix z and the conditional log-likelihood for MoEClust models, with the aid of MoE\_dens.

## Usage

#### **Arguments**

data

If there are no expert network covariates, data should be a numeric matrix or data frame, wherein rows correspond to observations (n) and columns correspond to variables (d). If there are expert network covariates, this should be a list of length G containing matrices/data.frames of (multivariate) WLS residuals for each component.

mus

The mean for each of G components. If there is more than one component, this is a matrix whose k-th column is the mean of the k-th component of the mixture model. For the univariate models, this is a G-vector of means. In the presence of expert network covariates, all values should be equal to  $\emptyset$ .

sigs

The variance component in the parameters list from the output to e.g. MoE\_clust. The components of this list depend on the specification of modelName (see mclustVariance for details). The number of components G, the number of variables d, and the modelName are inferred from sigs.

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log.tau If covariates enter the gating network, an n times G matrix of mixing proportions, otherwise a G-vector of mixing proportions for the components of the mixture. **Must** be on the log-scale in both cases. The default of 0 effectively means densities (or log-densities) aren't scaled by the mixing proportions.

Vinv An estimate of the reciprocal hypervolume of the data region. See the function

noise\_vol. Used only if an initial guess as to which observations are noise is supplied. Mixing proportion(s) must be included for the noise component also.

Dens (Optional) A numeric matrix whose [i,k]-th entry is the log-density of obser-

vation i in component k, scaled by the mixing proportions, to which the function is to be applied, typically obtained by MoE\_dens but this is not necessary. If this is supplied, all other arguments are ignored, otherwise MoE\_dens is called

according to the other supplied arguments.

#### Value

A list containing two elements:

z A matrix with n rows and G columns containing 1 where the observation belongs

to the cluster indicated by the column number, and 0 otherwise.

loglik The estimated conditional log-likelihood.

#### Note

This function is intended for joint use with MoE\_dens, using the **log**-densities. Caution is advised using this function without explicitly naming the arguments. Models with a noise component are facilitated here too.

The C-step can be replaced by an E-step, see MoE\_estep and the algo argument to MoE\_control.

#### Author(s)

```
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```

#### See Also

```
MoE_dens, MoE_clust, MoE_estep, MoE_control, mclustVariance
```

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MoE\_dens

Density for MoEClust Mixture Models

# **Description**

Computes densities (or log-densities) of observations in MoEClust mixture models.

# Usage

# **Arguments**

data	If there are no expert network covariates, data should be a	a numeric matrix or
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data frame, wherein rows correspond to observations (n) and columns correspond to variables (d). If there are expert network covariates, this should be a list of length G containing matrices/data.frames of (multivariate) WLS residuals

for each component.

mus The mean for each of G components. If there is more than one component, this

is a matrix whose k-th column is the mean of the k-th component of the mixture model. For the univariate models, this is a G-vector of means. In the presence

of expert network covariates, all values should be equal to 0.

sigs The variance component in the parameters list from the output to e.g. MoE\_clust.

The components of this list depend on the specification of modelName (see mclustVariance for details). The number of components G, the number of

variables d, and the modelName are inferred from sigs.

log.tau If covariates enter the gating network, an n times G matrix of mixing propor-

tions, otherwise a G-vector of mixing proportions for the components of the mixture. **Must** be on the log-scale in both cases. The default of 0 effectively means densities (or log densities) aren't scaled by the mixing proportions

means densities (or log-densities) aren't scaled by the mixing proportions.

Vinv An estimate of the reciprocal hypervolume of the data region. See the function

noise\_vol. Used only if an initial guess as to which observations are noise is supplied. Mixing proportion(s) must be included for the noise component also.

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logarithm

A logical value indicating whether or not the logarithm of the component densities should be returned. This defaults to TRUE, otherwise component densities are returned, obtained from the component log-densities by exponentiation. The **log**-densities can be passed to MoE\_estep or MoE\_cstep.

#### Value

A numeric matrix whose [i,k]-th entry is the density or log-density of observation i in component k, scaled by the mixing proportions. These densities are unnormalised.

#### Note

This function is intended for joint use with MoE\_estep or MoE\_cstep, using the **log**-densities. Note that models with a noise component are facilitated here too.

# Author(s)

```
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```

#### See Also

MoE\_estep, MoE\_cstep, MoE\_clust, mclustVariance

```
data(ais)
hema \leftarrow ais[,3:7]
model <- MoE_clust(hema, G=3, gating= ~ BMI + sex, modelNames="EEE", network.data=ais)</pre>
Dens <- MoE_dens(data=hema, mus=model$parameters$mean,</pre>
                   sigs=model$parameters$variance, log.tau=log(model$parameters$pro))
# Construct the z matrix and compute the log-likelihood
Estep <- MoE_estep(Dens=Dens)</pre>
(ll <- Estep$loglik)</pre>
# Check that the z matrix & classification are the same as those from the model
identical(max.col(Estep$z), as.integer(unname(model$classification))) #TRUE
identical(Estep$z, model$z)
                                                                          #TRUE
# The same can be done for models with expert covariates &/or a noise component
# Note for models with expert covariates that the mean has to be supplied as 0,
# and the data has to be supplied as "resid.data"
    <- MoE_clust(hema, G=2, expert= ~ sex, modelNames="EVE", network.data=ais, tau0=0.1)</pre>
Dens2 <- MoE_dens(data=m2$resid.data, sigs=m2$parameters$variance, mus=0,</pre>
                   log.tau=log(m2$parameters$pro), Vinv=m2$parameters$Vinv)
```

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MoE\_entropy

Entropy of a fitted MoEClust model

## **Description**

Calculates the normalised entropy of a fitted MoEClust model.

# Usage

MoE\_entropy(x)

# **Arguments**

Х

An object of class "MoEClust" generated by MoE\_clust, or an object of class "MoECompare" generated by MoE\_compare. Models with gating and/or expert covariates and/or a noise component are facilitated here too.

#### **Details**

This function calculates the normalised entropy via

$$H = -\frac{1}{n \log(G)} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{g=1}^{G} \hat{z}_{ig} \log(\hat{z}_{ig}),$$

where n and G are the sample size and number of components, respectively, and  $\hat{z}_{ig}$  is the estimated posterior probability at convergence that observation i belongs to component g. Note that G=x\$G for models without a noise component and G=x\$G + 1 for models with a noise component.

#### Value

A single number, given by 1 - H, in the range [0,1], such that *larger* values indicate clearer separation of the clusters.

## Note

This function will always return a normalised entropy of 1 for models fitted using the "CEM" algorithm (see MoE\_control), or models with only one component.

## Author(s)

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## References

Murphy, K. and Murphy, T. B. (2020). Gaussian parsimonious clustering models with covariates and a noise component. *Advances in Data Analysis and Classification*, 14(2): 293-325. <doi:10.1007/s11634019003738>.

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## See Also

```
MoE_clust, MoE_control, MoE_AvePP
```

## **Examples**

MoE\_estep

E-step for MoEClust Models

# **Description**

Softmax function to compute the responsibility matrix z and the log-likelihood for MoEClust models, with the aid of MoE\_dens.

#### Usage

## Arguments

data

If there are no expert network covariates, data should be a numeric matrix or data frame, wherein rows correspond to observations (n) and columns correspond to variables (d). If there are expert network covariates, this should be a list of length G containing matrices/data.frames of (multivariate) WLS residuals for each component.

mus

The mean for each of G components. If there is more than one component, this is a matrix whose k-th column is the mean of the k-th component of the mixture model. For the univariate models, this is a G-vector of means. In the presence of expert network covariates, all values should be equal to  $\emptyset$ .

sigs

The variance component in the parameters list from the output to e.g. MoE\_clust. The components of this list depend on the specification of modelName (see mclustVariance for details). The number of components G, the number of variables d, and the modelName are inferred from sigs.

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log.tau	If covariates enter the gating network, an n times G matrix of mixing propor-	
	tions, otherwise a G-vector of mixing proportions for the components of the	
	mixture. Must be on the log-scale in both cases. The default of 0 effectively	
	means densities (or log-densities) aren't scaled by the mixing proportions.	

An estimate of the reciprocal hypervolume of the data region. See the function noise\_vol. Used only if an initial guess as to which observations are noise is supplied. Mixing proportion(s) must be included for the noise component also.

(Optional) A numeric matrix whose [i,k]-th entry is the **log**-density of observation i in component k, scaled by the mixing proportions, to which the softmax function is to be applied, typically obtained by MoE\_dens but this is not neces-

sary. If this is supplied, all other arguments are ignored, otherwise MoE\_dens is

called according to the other supplied arguments.

# Value

Vinv

Dens

A list containing two elements:

z A matrix with n rows and G columns containing the probability of cluster mem-

bership for each of n observations and G clusters.

loglik The estimated log-likelihood, computed efficiently via rowLogSumExps.

#### Note

This softmax function is intended for joint use with MoE\_dens, using the log-densities. Caution is advised using this function without explicitly naming the arguments. Models with a noise component are facilitated here too.

The E-step can be replaced by a C-step, see MoE\_cstep and the algo argument to MoE\_control.

#### Author(s)

```
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```

#### See Also

```
MoE_dens, MoE_clust, MoE_cstep, MoE_control, mclustVariance, rowLogSumExps
```

MoE\_gpairs

Generalised Pairs Plots for MoEClust Mixture Models

# **Description**

Produces a matrix of plots showing pairwise relationships between continuous response variables and continuous/categorical/logical/ordinal associated covariates, as well as the clustering achieved, according to fitted MoEClust mixture models.

#### Usage

```
MoE_gpairs(res,
           response.type = c("points", "uncertainty", "density"),
           subset = list(...),
           scatter.type = c("lm", "points"),
           conditional = c("stripplot", "boxplot"),
           addEllipses = c("outer", "yes", "no", "inner", "both"),
           expert.covar = TRUE,
           border.col = c("purple", "black", "brown", "brown", "navy"),
       bg.col = c("cornsilk", "white", "palegoldenrod", "palegoldenrod", "cornsilk"),
           outer.margins = list(bottom = grid::unit(2, "lines"),
                                left = grid::unit(2, "lines"),
                                top = grid::unit(2, "lines"),
                                right = grid::unit(2, "lines")),
           outer.labels = NULL,
           outer.rot = c(0, 90),
           gap = 0.05,
           buffer = 0.025,
           uncert.cov = FALSE,
           scatter.pars = list(...),
           density.pars = list(...),
           stripplot.pars = list(...),
           boxplot.pars = list(...),
           barcode.pars = list(...),
```

```
mosaic.pars = list(...),
axis.pars = list(...),
diag.pars = list(...),
...)
```

#### **Arguments**

res

An object of class "MoEClust" generated by MoE\_clust, or an object of class "MoECompare" generated by MoE\_compare. Models with a noise component are facilitated here too.

response.type

The type of plot desired for the scatterplots comparing continuous response variables. Defaults to "points". See scatter.pars below.

Points can also be sized according to their associated clustering uncertainty with the option "uncertainty". In doing so, the transparency of the points will also be proportional to their clustering uncertainty, provided the device supports transparency. See also MoE\_Uncertainty for an alternative means of visualising observation-specific cluster uncertainties (especially for univariate data). See scatter.pars below, and note that models fitted via the "CEM" algorithm will have no associated clustering uncertainty.

Alternatively, the bivariate "density" contours can be displayed (see density.pars), provided there is at least one Gaussian component in the model. Caution is advised when producing density plots for models with covariates in the expert network; the required number of evaluations of the (multivariate) Gaussian density for each panel (res\$G \* prod(density.pars\$grid.size)) increases by a factor of res\$n, thus plotting may be slow (particularly for large data sets). See density.pars below.

subset

A list giving named arguments for producing only a subset of panels:

show.map Logical indicating whether to show panels involving the MAP classification (defaults to TRUE, unless there is only one component, in which case the MAP classification is never plotted.).

data.ind For subsetting response variables: a vector of column indices corresponding to the variables in the columns of res\$data which should be shown. Defaults to all. Can be 0, in order to suppress plotting the response variables.

cov.ind For subsetting covariates: a vector of column indices corresponding to the covariates in the columns res\$net.covs which should be shown. Defaults to all. Can be 0, in order to suppress plotting the covariates.

The result of the subsetting must include at least two variables, whether they be the MAP classification, a response variable, or a covariate, in order to be valid for plotting purposes. The arguments data.ind and cov.ind can also be used to simply reorder the panels, without actually subsetting.

scatter.type

A vector of length 2 (or 1) giving the plot type for the upper and lower triangular portions of the plot, respectively, pertaining to the associated covariates. Defaults to "lm" for covariate vs. response panels and "points" otherwise. Only relevant for models with continuous covariates in the gating &/or expert network. "ci" and "lm" type plots are only produced for plots pairing covariates with response, and never response vs. response or covariate vs. covariate. Note

that lines &/or confidence intervals will only be drawn for continuous covariates included in the expert network; to include covariates included only in the gating network also, the options "lm2" or "ci2" can be used but this is not generally advisable. See scatter.pars below.

conditional

A vector of length 2 (or 1) giving the plot type for the upper and lower triangular portions of the plot, respectively, for plots involving a mix of categorical and continuous variables. Defaults to "stripplot" in the upper triangle and "boxplot" in the lower triangle (see panel.stripplot and panel.bwplot). "violin" and "barcode" plots can also be produced. Only relevant for models with categorical covariates in the gating &/or expert network, unless show.MAP is TRUE. Comparisons of two categorical variables (which can only ever be covariates or the MAP classification) are always displayed via mosaic plots (see strucplot).

All conditional panel types can be customised further; see stripplot.pars, boxplot.pars (for both "boxplot" and "violin" plots), barcode.pars, and mosaic.pars below. Note that when conditional is of length 1, that plot type will be used in *both* the upper and lower triangular portions of the plot, where relevant.

addEllipses

Controls whether to add MVN ellipses with axes corresponding to the withincluster covariances for the response data. The options "inner" and "outer" (the default) will colour the axes or the perimeter of those ellipses, respectively, according to the cluster they represent (according to scatter.pars\$eci.col). The option "both" will obviously colour both the axes and the perimeter. The "yes" or "no" options merely govern whether the ellipses are drawn, i.e. "yes" draws ellipses without any colouring. Ellipses are only ever drawn for multivariate data, and only when response.type is "points" or "uncertainty".

Ellipses are centered on the posterior mean of the fitted values when there are expert network covariates, otherwise on the posterior mean of the response variables. In the presence of expert network covariates, the component-specific covariance matrices are also (by default, via the argument expert.covar below) modified for plotting purposes via the function expert\_covar, in order to account for the extra variability of the means, usually resulting in bigger shapes & sizes for the MVN ellipses.

expert.covar

Logical (defaults to TRUE) governing whether the extra variability in the component means is added to the MVN ellipses corresponding to the component covariance matrices in the presence of expert network covariates. See the function expert\_covar. Only relevant when response.type is "points" or "uncertainty" when addEllipses is invoked accordingly, and/or diag.pars\$show.dens=TRUE (see below), and only relevant for models with expert network covariates.

border.col

A vector of length 5 (or 1) containing *border* colours for plots against the MAP classification, response vs. response, covariate vs. response, response vs. covariate, and covariate vs. covariate panels, respectively.

Defaults to c("purple", "black", "brown", "brown", "navy").

bg.col

A vector of length 5 (or 1) containing *background* colours for plots against the MAP classification, response vs. response, covariate vs. response, response vs. covariate, and covariate vs. covariate panels, respectively.

Defaults to c("cornsilk", "white", "palegoldenrod", "palegoldenrod", "cornsilk").

outer.margins

A list of length 4 with units as components named bottom, left, top, and right, giving the outer margins; the defaults uses two lines of text. A vector of length 4 with units (ordered properly) will work, as will a vector of length 4 with numeric variables (interpreted as lines).

outer.labels

The default is NULL, for alternating labels around the perimeter. If "all", all labels are printed, and if "none", no labels are printed.

outer.rot

A 2-vector (x, y) rotating the top/bottom outer labels x degrees and the left/right outer labels y degrees. Only works for categorical labels of boxplot and mosaic panels. Defaults to c(0, 90).

gap

The gap between the tiles; defaulting to 0.05 of the width of a tile.

buffer

The fraction by which to expand the range of quantitative variables to provide plots that will not truncate plotting symbols. Defaults to 0.025, i.e. 2.5 percent of the range. Particularly useful when ellipses are drawn (see addEllipses) to ensure ellipses are visible in full.

uncert.cov

A logical indicating whether the expansion factor for points on plots involving covariates should also be modified when response.type="uncertainty". Defaults to FALSE, and only relevant for scatterplot and strip plot panels. When TRUE, scatter.pars\$uncert.pch is invoked as the plotting symbols for covariate-related scatterplot and strip plot panels, otherwise scatter.pars\$scat.pch and stripplot.pars\$strip.pch is invoked for such panels.

scatter.pars

A list supplying select parameters for the continuous vs. continuous scatterplots. NULL is equivalent to:

```
list(scat.pch=res$classification, uncert.pch=19,
    scat.col=res$classification, scat.size=unit(0.25, "char"),
    eci.col=1:res$G, noise.size=unit(0.2, "char")),
```

where scat.pch, scat.col, and scat.size give the plotting symbols, colours, and sizes of the points in scatterplot panels, respectively. Note that eci.col gives both a) the colour of the fitted lines &/or confidence intervals for expert-related panels when scatter.type is one of "ci" or "lm" and b) the colour of the ellipses (if any) when addEllipses is one of "outer", "inner", or "both" and the response data is multivariate. Note that eci.col will inherit a suitable default from scat.col instead if the latter is supplied but the former is not.

Note also that scat.size will be modified on an observation-by-observation level when response.type is "uncertainty". Furthermore, note that the behaviour for plotting symbols when response.type="uncertainty" changes compared to response.type="points" depending on the value of the uncert.cov argument above. uncert.pch gives the plotting symbol used for all scatterplot (and strip plot) panels when response.type="uncertainty" and uncert.cov is TRUE. However, when uncert.cov is FALSE, scat.pch is invoked for scatterplots involving covariates and uncert.pch is used for panels involving only response variables. Finally, noise.size can be used to modify scat.size for observations assigned to the noise component (if any), but only when response.type="points".

density.pars

A list supplying select parameters for visualising the bivariate density contours, only when response.type is "density".

NULL is equivalent to:

```
list(grid.size=c(100, 100), dcol="grey50",
     nlevels=11, show.labels=TRUE, label.style="mixed"),
```

where grid.size is a vector of length two giving the number of points in the x & y direction of the grid over which the density is evaluated, respectively (though density.pars\$grid.size can also be supplied as a scalar, which will be automatically recycled to a vector of length 2), and dcol is either a single colour or a vector of length nlevels colours (although note that dcol, when not specified, will be adjusted for transparency). Finally, label.style can take the values "mixed", "flat", or "align". Note that density.pars\$grid.size[1] is also relevant when diag.pars\$show.dens=TRUE (see below).

stripplot.pars A list supplying select parameters for continuous vs. categorical panels when one or both of the entries of conditional is "stripplot".

NULL is equivalent to:

```
list(strip.pch=res$classification, strip.size=unit(0.5, "char"),
   strip.col=res$classification, jitter=TRUE, size.noise=unit(0.4, "char")),
```

where strip.size and size.noise retain the definitions for the similar arguments under scatter.pars above. However, stripplot.pars\$size.noise is invoked regardless of the response.type (in contrast to scatter.pars\$noise.size). Notably, strip.col will inherit a suitable default from scatter.pars\$scat.col if the latter is supplied but the former is not. Note also that the strip.pch default is modified to scatter.pars\$uncert.pch if uncert.cov is TRUE.

boxplot.pars

A list supplying select parameters for continuous vs. categorical panels when one or both of the entries of conditional is "boxplot" or "violin".

NULL is equivalent to:

```
list(box.pch="|", box.col="black", varwidth=FALSE,
     notch=FALSE, notch.frac=0.5, box.fill=1:res$G).
```

All of the above are relevant for "boxplot" panels, are passed to panel. bwplot when producing boxplots, and retain the same definitions as the similarly named arguments therein. However, only box.col, varwidth, and box.fill are relevant for "violin" panels, and in both cases box. fill is only invoked for panels where the categorical variable is the MAP classification (i.e. when isTRUE(subset\$show.map)). See diag.pars\$hist.color for controlling the colours of non-MAP-related boxplot/violin panels. Notably, box.fill will inherit a suitable default from scatter.pars\$scat.col if the latter is supplied but the former is not.

barcode.pars

A list supplying select parameters for continuous vs. categorical panels when one or both of the entries of conditional is "barcode". See the help file for barcode::barcode.

NULL is equivalent to:

```
list(bar.col=res$G:1, nint=0, ptsize=unit(0.25, "char"),
     ptpch=1, bcspace=NULL, use.points=FALSE),
```

where bar.col is only invoked for panels where the categorical variable is the MAP classification (i.e. when isTRUE(subset\$show.map)) if it is of length greater than 1, otherwise it is used for all relevant panels. See diag.pars\$hist.color for controlling the colours of non-MAP-related barcode panels. Notably, bar.col will inherit a suitable default from scatter.pars\$scat.col if the latter is supplied but the former is not.

mosaic.pars

A list supplying select parameters for categorical vs. categorical panels (if any). NULL is equivalent to:

The current default arguments and values thereof are passed through to strucplot for producing mosaic tiles. When shade is not FALSE, mfill is a logical which governs the colouring scheme for panels (if any) involving the MAP classification. When mfill is TRUE (the default), gp is invoked here in such a way that tiles will inherit appropriate interior colours via gp\$fill from mcol and a "black" outer colour via gp\$col. When mfill is FALSE, or the panel involves two categorical covariates, the outer colours are inherited from mcol and the interior fill colour is inherited from bg.col. See diag.pars\$hist.color for controlling the interior fill colour of non-MAP-related mosaic panels. Notably, mcol will inherit a suitable default from scatter.pars\$scat.col if the latter is supplied but the former is not.

axis.pars

A list supplying select parameters for controlling the axes.

NULL is equivalent to:

```
list(n.ticks=5, axis.fontsize=9).
```

The argument n.ticks will be overwritten for categorical variables with fewer than 5 levels.

diag.pars

A list supplying select parameters for panels along the diagonal.

NULL is equivalent to:

where hist.color is a vector of length 4, giving the colours for the response variables, gating covariates, expert covariates, and covariates entering both networks, respectively. By default, diagonal panels for response variables are ifelse(diag.pars\$show.dens, "white", "black") and covariates of any kind are "dimgrey". hist.color also governs the outer colour for mosaic panels and the fill colour for boxplot, violin, and barcode panels (except for those involving the MAP classification). However, in the case of response vs. (categorical) covariates boxplots and violin plots, the fill colour is always "white". The MAP classification is always coloured by cluster membership, by default. The argument show.counts is only relevant for categorical variables.

The argument show. dens toggles whether parametric density estimates are drawn over the diagonal panels for each response variable. When show. dens=TRUE, the component densities are shown via thin lines, with colours given by scatter.pars\$scat.col, while a thick "black" line is used for the overall mixture density. This argument

can be used with or without show.hist also being TRUE, though density curves will appear bigger when show.hist=FALSE. Note that show.dens=TRUE is also affected by the expert.covar argument above. Finally, the grid size when show.dens=TRUE is given by max(res\$n, density.pars\$grid.size[1]).

When diagonal=TRUE (the default), the diagonal from the top left to the bottom right is used for displaying the marginal distributions of variables (via histograms, with or without overlaid density estimates, or barplots, as appropriate). Specifying diagonal=FALSE will place the diagonal running from the top right down to the bottom left.

Catches unused arguments. Alternatively, named arguments can be passed directly here to any/all of scatter.pars, stripplot.pars, boxplot.pars, barcode.pars, mosaic.pars, axis.pars, and diag.pars.

## Value

A generalised pairs plot showing all pairwise relationships between clustered response variables and associated gating &/or expert network continuous &/or categorical variables, coloured according to the MAP classification, with the marginal distributions of each variable along the diagonal.

#### Note

For MoEClust models with more than one expert network covariate, fitted lines produced in continuous covariate vs. continuous response scatterplots via scatter.type="lm" or scatter.type="ci" will **NOT** correspond to the coefficients in the expert network (res\$expert).

plot.MoEClust is a wrapper to MoE\_gpairs which accepts the default arguments, and also produces other types of plots. Caution is advised producing generalised pairs plots when the dimension of the data is large.

Finally, note that all colour-related defaults in scatter.pars, stripplot.pars, barcode.pars, and mosaic.pars above assume a specific colour-palette (see mclust.options("classPlotColors")). Thus, for instance, specifying scatter.pars\$scat.col=res\$classification will produce different results compared to leaving this argument unspecified. This is especially true for models with a noise component, for which the default is handled quite differently (for one thing, res\$G is the number of non-noise components). Similarly, all pch-related defaults in scatter.pars and stripplot.pars above assume a specific set of plotting symbols also (see mclust.options("classPlotSymbols")). Generally, all colour and symbol related arguments are strongly recommended to be left at their default values, unless being supplied as a single character string, e.g. "black" for colours. To help in this regard, colour-related arguments sensibly inherent their default from scatter.pars\$scat.col if that is supplied and the argument in question is not.

## Author(s)

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#### See Also

MoE\_clust, MoE\_stepwise, plot.MoEClust, MoE\_Uncertainty, expert\_covar, panel.stripplot, panel.bwplot, panel.violin, strucplot, mclust.options

```
data(ais)
res <- MoE_clust(ais[,3:7], G=2, gating= ~ BMI, expert= ~ sex,
                   network.data=ais, modelNames="EVE")
MoE_gpairs(res)
# Produce the same plot, but with a violin plot in the lower triangle.
# Colour the outline of the mosaic tiles rather than the interior using mfill.
# Size points in the response vs. response panels by their clustering uncertainty.
MoE_gpairs(res, conditional=c("stripplot", "violin"),
           mfill=FALSE, response.type="uncertainty")
# Instead show the bivariate density contours of the response variables (without labels).
# (Plotting may be slow when response.type="density" for models with expert covariates.)
# Use different colours for histograms of covariates in the gating/expert/both networks.
# Also use different colours for response vs. covariate & covariate vs. response panels.
MoE_gpairs(res, response.type="density", show.labels=FALSE,
           hist.color=c("black", "cyan", "hotpink", "chartreuse"),
           bg.col=c("whitesmoke", "white", "mintcream", "mintcream", "floralwhite"))
# Examine the effect of the expert.covar argument in conjunction with show.dens
MoE_gpairs(res, cov.ind=0, expert.covar=TRUE,
           show.dens=TRUE, show.hist=FALSE, grid.size=1000)
MoE_gpairs(res, cov.ind=0, expert.covar=FALSE,
           show.dens=TRUE, show.hist=FALSE, grid.size=1000)
# Produce a generalised pairs plot for a model with a noise component.
# Reorder the covariates and omit the variables "Hc" and "Hg".
# Use barcode plots for the categorical/continuous pairs.
# Magnify the size of scatter points assigned to the noise component.
resN <- MoE_clust(ais[,3:7], G=2, gating= ~ SSF + Ht, expert= ~ sex,
                   network.data=ais, modelNames="EEE", tau0=0.1, noise.gate=FALSE)
MoE_gpairs(resN, data.ind=c(1,2,5), cov.ind=c(3,1,2),
           conditional="barcode", noise.size=grid::unit(0.5, "char"))
```

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MoE_mahala	Mahalanobis Distance Outlier Detection for Multivariate Response

## **Description**

Computes the Mahalanobis distance between the response variable(s) and the fitted values of linear regression models with multivariate or univariate responses.

# Usage

#### **Arguments**

identity

fit	A fitted 1m model, inheriting either the "m1m" or "1m" class.
resids	The residuals. Can be residuals for observations included in the model, or residuals arising from predictions on unseen data. Must be coercible to a matrix with the number of columns being the number of response variables. Missing values are not allowed.

squared A logical. By default (FALSE), the generalized interpoint distance is computed.

Set this flag to TRUE for the squared value.

A logical indicating whether the identity matrix is used in place of the precision matrix in the Mahalanobis distance calculation. Defaults to FALSE for multivariate response data but defaults to TRUE for univariate response data, where TRUE corresponds to the use of the Euclidean distance. Setting identity=TRUE with multivariate data may be advisable when the dimensions of the data are such that the covariance matrix cannot be inverted (otherwise, the pseudo-inverse is

used under the FALSE default).

## Value

A vector giving the Mahalanobis distance (or squared Mahalanobis distance) between response(s) and fitted values for each observation.

## Author(s)

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```

```
data(ais)
hema <- as.matrix(ais[,3:7])
mod <- lm(hema ~ sex + BMI, data=ais)</pre>
```

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```
res <- hema - predict(mod)</pre>
MoE_mahala(mod, res, squared=TRUE)
data(CO2data)
CO2 <- CO2data$CO2
GNP <- CO2data$GNP
mod2 <- lm(CO2 ~ GNP, data=CO2data)</pre>
pred <- predict(mod2)</pre>
res2 <- CO2 - pred
maha <- MoE_mahala(mod2, res2)</pre>
# Highlight outlying observations
plot(GNP, CO2, type="n", ylab=expression('CO'[2]))
lines(GNP, pred, col="red")
points(GNP, CO2, cex=maha, lwd=2)
text(GNP, CO2, col="blue",
     labels=replace(as.character(CO2data$country), maha < 1, ""))</pre>
# Replicate initialisation strategy using 2 randomly chosen components
# Repeat the random initialisation if necessary
# (until 'crit' at convergence is minimised)
G
        <- sample(seq_len(G), nrow(CO2data), replace=TRUE)
z
        <- Inf
old
        <- .Machine$double.xmax
crit
while(crit < old) {</pre>
  Sys.sleep(1)
  old <- crit
  maha <- NULL
  plot(GNP, CO2, type="n", ylab=expression('CO'[2]))
  for(g in seq_len(G)) {
   ind \leftarrow which(z == g)
   mod <- lm(CO2 ~ GNP, data=CO2data, sub=ind)</pre>
   pred <- predict(mod, newdata=CO2data[,"CO2", drop=FALSE])</pre>
   maha <- cbind(maha, MoE_mahala(mod, CO2 - pred))</pre>
   lines(GNP, pred, col=g + 1L)
  min.M <- rowMins(maha)</pre>
  crit <- sum(min.M)</pre>
        <- max.col(maha == min.M)
  points(GNP, CO2, cex=min.M, lwd=2, col=z + 1L)
  text(GNP, CO2, col=z + 1L,
       labels=replace(as.character(CO2data$country), which(min.M <= 1), ""))</pre>
}
crit
```

MoE\_news

Show the NEWS file

## **Description**

Show the NEWS file of the MoEClust package.

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## Usage

```
MoE_news()
```

#### Value

The MoEClust NEWS file, provided the session is interactive.

# **Examples**

```
MoE_news()
```

MoE\_plotCrit

Model Selection Criteria Plot for MoEClust Mixture Models

# Description

Plots the BIC, ICL, AIC, or log-likelihood values of a fitted MoEClust object.

# Usage

# **Arguments**

res An object of class "MoEClust" generated by MoE\_clust, or an object of class

"MoECompare" generated by MoE\_compare. Models with a noise component are

facilitated here too.

criterion The criterion to be plotted. Defaults to "bic".

... Catches other arguments, or additional arguments to be passed to plot.mclustBIC

(or equivalent functions for the other criterion arguments). In particular, the

argument legendArgs to plot.mclustBIC can be passed.

# Value

A plot of the values of the chosen criterion. The values themselves can also be returned invisibly.

# Note

plot.MoEClust is a wrapper to MoE\_plotCrit which accepts the default arguments, and also produces other types of plots.

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```

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## See Also

```
MoE_clust, plot.MoEClust, plot.mclustBIC
```

## **Examples**

```
# data(ais)
# res <- MoE_clust(ais[,3:7], expert= ~ sex, network.data=ais)
# (crit <- MoE_plotCrit(res))</pre>
```

MoE\_plotGate

Plot MoEClust Gating Network

# Description

Plots the gating network for fitted MoEClust models, i.e. the observation index against the mixing proportions for that observation, coloured by cluster.

# Usage

## Arguments

res

An object of class "MoEClust" generated by MoE\_clust, or an object of class "MoECompare" generated by MoE\_compare. Models with a noise component are facilitated here too.

x.axis

Optional argument for the x-axis against which the mixing proportions are plotted. Defaults to 1:res\$n if missing. Supplying x.axis changes the defaults for the type and xlab arguments. Users are advised to only use quantities related to the gating network of the fitted model here. Furthermore, use of the x.axis argument is not recommended for models with more than one gating network covariate.

```
type, pch, xlab, ylab, ylim, col
```

These graphical parameters retain their definitions from matplot. col defaults to the settings in mclust.options. Note that the default value of type changes depending on whether x.axis is supplied and whether the gating network contains multiple covariates &/or categorical covariates.

.. Catches unused arguments, or additional arguments to be passed to matplot.

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# Value

A plot of the gating network of the fitted MoEClust model. The parameters of the gating network can also be returned invisibly.

#### Note

plot.MoEClust is a wrapper to MoE\_plotGate which accepts the default arguments, and also produces other types of plots.

By default, the noise component (if any) will be coloured "darkgrey".

#### Author(s)

```
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```

#### See Also

```
MoE_clust, plot.MoEClust, matplot
```

## **Examples**

MoE\_plotLogLik

Plot the Log-Likelihood of a MoEClust Mixture Model

## **Description**

Plots the log-likelihood at every iteration of the EM/CEM algorithm used to fit a MoEClust mixture model.

# Usage

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# Arguments

```
res An object of class "MoEClust" generated by MoE_clust, or an object of class "MoECompare" generated by MoE_compare. Models with a noise component are facilitated here too.

type, xlab, ylab, xaxt

These graphical parameters retain their usual definitions from plot.

Catches unused arguments, or additional arguments to be passed to plot.
```

#### Value

A plot of the log-likelihood versus the number EM iterations. A list with the vector of log-likelihood values and the final value at convergence can also be returned invisibly.

#### Note

plot.MoEClust is a wrapper to MoE\_plotLogLik which accepts the default arguments, and also produces other types of plots.

res\$LOGLIK can also be plotted, to compare maximal log-likelihood values for all fitted models.

## Author(s)

```
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```

#### See Also

```
MoE_clust, plot.MoEClust,
```

# Examples

MoE\_Similarity

Plot the Similarity Matrix of a MoEClust Mixture Model

## **Description**

Produces a heatmap of the similarity matrix constructed from the res\$z matrix at convergence of a MoEClust mixture model.

# Usage

# **Arguments**

res	An object of class "MoEClust" generated by MoE_clust, or an object of class "MoECompare" generated by MoE_compare. Models with a noise component are facilitated here too.
col	A vector of colours as per image. Will be checked for validity.
reorder	A logical (defaults to TRUE) indicating whether observations should be reordered for visual clarity.
legend	A logical (defaults to TRUE) indicating whether to append a colour key legend.
	Catches unused arguments, or arguments to be passed to hclust when reorder=TRUE.

# Value

The similarity matrix in the form of a heatmap is plotted; the matrix itself can also be returned invisibly. The invisibly returned matrix will also be reordered if reordered=TRUE.

#### Note

plot.MoEClust is a wrapper to MoE\_Similarity which accepts the default arguments, and also produces other types of plots.

## Author(s)

```
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```

## See Also

```
MoE_clust, plot.MoEClust,
```

# **Examples**

MoE\_stepwise Stepwise model/variable selection for MoEClust models

# **Description**

Conducts a greedy forward stepwise search to identify the optimal MoEClust model according to some criterion. Components and/or gating covariates and/or expert covariates are added to new MoE\_clust fits at each step, while each step is evaluated for all valid modelNames.

## Usage

# Arguments

data

A numeric vector, matrix, or data frame of observations. Categorical variables are not allowed. If a matrix or data frame, rows correspond to observations and columns correspond to variables.

network.data

An optional matrix or data frame in which to look for the covariates specified in the gating &/or expert networks, if any. Must include column names. Columns in network.data corresponding to columns in data will be automatically removed. While a single covariate can be supplied as a vector (provided the '\$' operator or '[]' subset operator are not used), it is safer to supply a named 1-column matrix or data frame in this instance.

gating

A vector giving the names of columns in network. data used to define the scope of the gating network. By default, the initial model will contain no covariates (unless initialModel is supplied with gating covariates), thereafter all variables in gating (save for those in initialModel, if any) will be considered for inclusion where appropriate.

If gating is not supplied (or set to NULL), *all* variables in network.data will be considered for the gating network. gating can also be supplied as NA, in which case *no* gating network covariates will ever be considered (save for those in initialModel, if any). Supplying gating and expert can be used to ensure different subsets of covariates enter different parts of the model.

expert

A vector giving the names of columns in network.data used to define the scope of the expert network. By default, the initial model will contain no covariates (unless initialModel is supplied with expert covariates), thereafter all variables in expert (save for those in initialModel, if any) will be considered for inclusion where appropriate.

If expert is not supplied (or set to NULL), all variables in network.data will be considered for the expert network. expert can also be supplied as NA, in which case no expert network covariates will ever be considered (save for those

in initialModel, if any). Supplying expert and gating can be used to ensure different subsets of covariates enter different parts of the model.

modelNames

A character string of valid model names, to be used to restrict the size of the search space, if desired. By default, *all* valid model types are explored. Rather than considering the changing of the model type as an additional step, every step is evaluated over all entries in modelNames. See MoE\_clust for more details.

Note that if initialModel is supplied (see below), modelNames will be augmented with initialModel\$modelName if needs be.

fullMoE

A logical which, when TRUE, ensures that only models where the same covariates enter both parts of the model (the gating and expert networks) are considered. This restricts the search space to exclude models where covariates differ across networks. Thus, the search is likely to be faster, at the expense of potentially missing out on optimal models. Defaults to FALSE.

Furthermore, when TRUE, the set of candidate covariates is automatically taken to be the **union** of the *named* covariates in gating and expert, for convenience. In other words, gating=NA will only work if expert=NA also, and both should be set to NULL in order to consider all potential covariates.

In addition, caution is advised using this argument in conjunction with initialModel, which must satisfy the constraint that the same set of covariates be used in both parts of the model, for initial models where gating covariates are allowable. Finally, note that this argument does not preclude a model with only expert covariates included if the number of components is such that the inclusion of gating covariates is infeasible.

noise

A logical indicating whether to assume all models contain an additional noise component (TRUE) or not (FALSE, the default). If initialModel or initialG is not specified, the search starts from a G=0 noise-only model when noise is TRUE, otherwise the search starts from a G=1 model with no covariates when noise is FALSE. See MoE\_control for more details. Note, however, that if the model specified in initialModel contains a noise component, the value of the noise argument will be overridden to TRUE; similarly, if the initialModel model does not contain a noise component, noise will be overridden to FALSE.

initialModel

An object of class "MoEClust" generated by MoE\_clust or an object of class "MoECompare" generated by MoE\_compare. This gives the initial model to use at the first step of the selection algorithm, to which components and/or covariates etc. can be added. Especially useful if the model is expected to have more than one component *a priori* (see initialG below as an alternative). The initialModel model must have been fitted to the same data in data.

If initialModel is not specified, the search starts from a G=0 noise-only model when noise is TRUE, otherwise the search starts from a G=1 model with no covariates when noise is FALSE. If initialModel *is* supplied and it contains a noise component, only models with a noise component will be considered thereafter (i.e. the noise argument can be overridden by the initialModel argument). If initialModel contains gating &/or expert covariates, these covariates will be included in all subsequent searches, with covariates in expert and gating still considered as candidates for additional inclusion, as normal.

However, while initialModel *can* include covariates not specified in gating &/or expert, the initialModel\$modelName **should** be included in the spec-

> ified modelNames; if it is not, modelNames will be forcibly augmented with initialModel\$modelName (as stated above). Furthermore, it is assumed that initial Model is already optimal with respect to the model type. If it is not, the algorithm may be liable to converge to a sub-optimal model, and so a warning will be printed if the function suspects that this *might* be the case.

initialG

A single (positive) integer giving the number of mixture components (clusters) to initialise the stepwise search algorithm with. This is a simpler alternative to the initial Model argument, to be used when the only prior knowledge relates to the number of components, and not other features of the model (e.g. the covariates which should be included). Consequently, initial G is only relevant when initial Model is not supplied. When neither initial G nor initialModel is specified, the search starts from a G=0 noise-only model when noise is TRUE, otherwise the search starts from a G=1 model with no covariates when noise is FALSE. See stepG below for fixing the number of components at this initialG value.

stepG

A logical indicating whether the algorithm should consider incrementing the number of components at each step. Defaults to TRUE; use FALSE when searching only over configurations with the same number of components is of interest. Setting stepG to FALSE is possible with or without specifying initialModel or initialG, but is primarily intended for use when one of these arguments is supplied, otherwise the algorithm will be stuck forever with only one component.

criterion

The model selection criterion used to determine the optimal action at each step. Defaults to "bic".

equalPro

A character string indicating whether models with equal mixing proportions should be considered. "both" means models with both equal and unequal mixing proportions will be considered, "yes" means only models with equal mixing proportions will be considered, and "no" means only models with unequal mixing proportions will be considered. Notably, no setting for equalPro is enough to rule out models with gating covariates from consideration.

The default ("all") is equivalent to "both" with the addition that all possible mixing proportion constraints will be tried for the initial Model (if any, provided it doesn't contain gating covariate(s)) or initial G before adding a component or additional covariates; otherwise, this equalPro argument only governs whether mixing proportion constraints are considered as components are added.

Considering "all" (or "both") equal and unequal mixing proportion models increases the search space and the computational burden, but this argument becomes irrelevant after a model, if any, with gating network covariate(s) is considered optimal for a given step. The "all" default is strongly recommended so that viable candidate models are not missed out on, particularly when initialModel or initialG are given. However, this does not guarantee that an optimal model will not be skipped; if equalPro is restricted via "yes" or "no", a suboptimal model at one step may ultimately lead to a better final model, in some edge cases. See MoE\_control for more details.

noise.gate

A character string indicating whether models where the gating network for the noise component depends on covariates are considered. "yes" means only models where this is the case will be considered, "no" means only models for which

the noise component's mixing proportion is constant will be considered and "both" means both of these scenarios will be considered.

The default ("all") is equivalent to "both" with the addition that all possible gating network noise settings will be tried for the initialModel (if any, provided it contains gating covariates and a noise component) before adding a component or additional covariates; otherwise, this noise.gate argument only governs the inclusion/exclusion of this constraint as components or covariates are added.

Considering "all" (or "both") settings increases the search space and the computational burden, but this argument is only relevant when noise=TRUE and gating covariates are being considered. The "all" default is **strongly** recommended so that viable candidate models are not missed out on, particularly when initialModel or initialG are given. However, this does not guarantee that an optimal model will not be skipped; if noise.gate is restricted via "yes" or "no", a suboptimal model at one step may ultimately lead to a better final model, in some edge cases. See MoE\_control for more details.

verbose

Logical indicating whether to print messages pertaining to progress to the screen during fitting. By default is TRUE if the session is interactive, and FALSE otherwise. If FALSE, warnings and error messages will still be printed to the screen, but everything else will be suppressed.

Additional arguments to MoE\_control, except for those arguments of the same name which are already listed here, e.g. equalPro and noise.gate. Note that these arguments will be supplied to all candidate models for every step. For arguments specific to MoE\_control (e.g. stopping, algo, etc.), it is recommended to run MoE\_stepwise multiple times while toggling these arguments, if desired.

# **Details**

The arguments modelNames, equalPro, and noise.gate are provided for computational convenience. They can be used to reduce the number of models under consideration at each stage.

The same is true of the arguments gating and expert, which can each separately (or jointly, if fullMoE is TRUE) be made to consider all variables in network.data, or a subset, or none at all.

Finally, initialModel or initialG can be used to kick-start the search algorithm by incorporating prior information in a more direct way; in the latter case, only in the form of the number of components; in the former case, a full model with a given number of components, certain included gating and expert network covariates, and a certain model type can give the model an even more informed head start. In either case, the stepG argument can be used to fix the number of components and only search over different configurations of covariates.

Without any prior information, it is best to accept the defaults at the expense of a longer run-time.

#### Value

An object of class "MoECompare" containing information on all visited models and the optimal model (accessible via x\$optimal).

#### Note

It is advised to run this function once with noise=FALSE and once with noise=TRUE and then choose the optimal model across both sets of results.

At present, only additions (of components and covariates) are considered. In future updates, it may be possible to allow both additions and removals.

The function will attempt to remove duplicate variables found in both data and network.data; in particular, they will be removed from network.data. Users are however advised to careful specify data and network.data such that there are no duplicates, especially if the desired variable(s) should belong to network.data.

Finally, if the user intends to search for the best model according to the "icl" criterion, then specifying either initialModel or initialG is advisable. This is because the algorithm otherwise starts with a single component and thus there is no entropy term, meaning the stepwise search can quickly and easily get stuck at G=1. See the examples below.

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#### References

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#### See Also

```
MoE_clust, MoE_compare, MoE_control
```

```
# Search over all models where the single covariate can enter either network
# (mod1 <- MoE_stepwise(CO2data$CO2, CO2data[,"GNP", drop=FALSE]))</pre>
#
# data(ais)
# Only look for EVE & EEE models with at most one expert network covariate
# Do not consider any gating covariates and only consider models with equal mixing proportions
# (mod2 <- MoE_stepwise(ais[,3:7], ais, gating=NA, expert="sex",</pre>
                          equalPro="yes", modelNames=c("EVE", "EEE")))
# Look for models with noise & only those where the noise component's mixing proportion is constant
# Speed up the search with an initial Model, fix G, and restrict the covariates & model type
# init <- MoE_clust(ais[,3:7], G=2, modelNames="EEE",</pre>
                      expert= ~ sex, network.data=ais, tau0=0.1)
# (mod3 <- MoE_stepwise(ais[,3:7], ais, noise=TRUE, expert="sex",</pre>
                          gating=c("SSF", "Ht"), noise.gate="no",
#
#
                          initialModel=init, stepG=FALSE, modelNames="EEE"))
# Compare both sets of results (with & without a noise component) for the ais data
```

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Plot Clustering Uncertainties

# **Description**

Plots the clustering uncertainty for every observation from a fitted "MoEClust" model, including models with a noise component.

## Usage

#### **Arguments**

res

An object of class "MoEClust" generated by MoE\_clust, or an object of class "MoECompare" generated by MoE\_compare. Models with a noise component are facilitated here too.

type

The type of plot to be produced (defaults to "barplot"). The "profile" option instead displays uncertainties in increasing/decreasing order of magnitude (see decreasing).

truth

An optional argument giving the true classification of the data. When truth is supplied and type="barplot", misclassified observations are highlighted in a different colour, otherwise observations with uncertainty greater than 1/res\$G are given in a different colour. When truth is supplied and type="profile", the uncertainty of misclassified observations is marked by vertical lines on the plot.

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decreasing Logical indicating whether uncertainties should be ordered in decreasing order (defaults to FALSE). Only relevant when type="profile".

Catches unused arguments.

#### **Details**

The y-axis of this plot runs from 0 to 1 - 1/res\$G, with a horizontal line also drawn at 1/res\$G. When type="barplot", uncertainties greater than this value are given a different colour when truth is not supplied, otherwise misclassified observations are given a different colour. Note, however, that  $G^{(0)} = \text{res}$ \$G + 1 is used in place of res\$G for models with a noise component.

## Value

A plot showing the clustering uncertainty of each observation (sorted in increasing/decreasing order when type="profile"). The (unsorted) vector of uncertainties can also be returned invisibly. When truth is supplied, the indices of the misclassified observations are also invisibly returned.

#### Note

plot.MoEClust is a wrapper to MoE\_Uncertainty which accepts the default arguments, and also produces other types of plots.

An alternative means of visualising clustering uncertainties (at least for multivariate data) is provided by the functions MoE\_gpairs and plot.MoEClust, specifically when their argument response.type is given as "uncertainty".

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```

#### See Also

```
MoE_clust, MoE_gpairs, plot.MoEClust
```

```
data(ais)
res <- MoE_clust(ais[,3:7], gating= ~ sex, G=3, modelNames="EEE", network.data=ais)
# Produce an uncertainty barplot
MoE_Uncertainty(res)
# Produce an uncertainty profile plot
MoE_Uncertainty(res, type="profile")
# Let's assume the true clusters correspond to sex
(ub <- MoE_Uncertainty(res, truth=ais$sex))
(up <- MoE_Uncertainty(res, type="profile", truth=ais$sex))</pre>
```

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noise_vol Approximate Hypervolume Estimate
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#### **Description**

Computes simple approximations to the hypervolume of univariate and multivariate data sets. Also returns the location of the centre of mass.

# Usage

# **Arguments**

data A numeric vector, matrix, or data frame of observations. Categorical variables

are not allowed, and covariates should not be included. If a matrix or data frame, rows correspond to observations and columns correspond to variables. There

must be more observations than variables.

method The method used to estimate the hypervolume. The default method uses the

function hypvol. The "convexhull" and "ellipsoidhull" options require loading the geometry and cluster libraries, respectively. This argument is only relevant for multivariate data; for univariate data, the range of the data is used. Note that the "convexhull" method is liable to be slow when data has

many columns.

reciprocal A logical variable indicating whether or not the reciprocal hypervolume is de-

sired rather than the hypervolume itself. The default is to return the hypervol-

ume.

#### Value

A list with the following two elements:

vol A hypervolume estimate (or its inverse).

This can be used as the hypervolume parameter for the noise component when observations are designated as noise in MoE\_clust.

loc A vector of length ncol(data) giving the location of the centre of mass.

This can help in predicting the fitted values of models fitted with noise components via MoE\_clust.

#### Note

This function is called when adding a noise component to MoEClust models via the function MoE\_control, specifically using its arguments noise.meth &/or tau0. The function internally only uses the response variables, and not the covariates. However, one can bypass the invocation

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of this function by specifying the noise.vol argument of MoE\_control directly. This is explicitly necessary for models for high-dimensional data which include a noise component for which this function cannot estimate a (hyper)volume.

Note that supplying the volume manually to MoE\_clust can affect the summary of the means in parameters\$mean and by extension the location of the MVN ellipses in MoE\_gpairs plots for models with both expert network covariates and a noise component. The location cannot be estimated when the volume is supplied manually; in this case, prediction is made on the basis of renormalising the z matrix after discarding the column corresponding to the noise component. Otherwise, the mean of the noise component is accounted for. The renormalisation approach can be forced by specifying noise.args\$discard.noise=TRUE, even when the mean of the noise component is available.

# Author(s)

```
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```

## See Also

```
hypvol, convhulln, ellipsoidhull
```

# **Examples**

```
data(ais)
noise_vol(ais[,3:7], reciprocal=TRUE)
noise_vol(ais[,3:7], reciprocal=FALSE, method="convexhull")
```

plot.MoEClust

Plot MoEClust Results

## **Description**

Plot results for fitted MoE\_clust mixture models with gating &/or expert network covariates: generalised pairs plots, model selection criteria, the log-likelihood vs. the EM iterations, and the gating network are all currently visualisable.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'MoEClust'
plot(x,
    what = c("gpairs", "gating", "criterion", "loglik", "similarity", "uncertainty"),
    ...)
```

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# Arguments

x An object of class "MoEClust" generated by MoE\_clust, or an object of class "MoECompare" generated by MoE\_compare. Models with a noise component are

facilitated here too.

what The type of graph requested:

gpairs A generalised pairs plot. To further customise this plot, arguments to MoE\_gpairs can be supplied.

gating The gating network. To further customise this plot, arguments to MoE\_plotGate and matplot can be supplied.

criterion The model selection criteria. To further customise this plot, arguments to MoE\_plotCrit and plot.mclustBIC can be supplied.

loglik The log-likelihood vs. the iterations of the EM algorithm. To further customise this plot, arguments to MoE\_plotLogLik and plot can be supplied.

similarity The similarity matrix constructed from x\$z at convergence, in the form of a heatmap. To further customise this plot, arguments to MoE\_Similarity can be supplied.

uncertainty The clustering uncertainty for every observation. To further customise this plot, arguments to MoE\_Uncertainty can be supplied.

By default, all of the above graphs are produced.

Optional arguments to be passed to MoE\_gpairs, MoE\_plotGate, MoE\_plotCrit, MoE\_plotLogLik, MoE\_Similarity, MoE\_Uncertainty, matplot, plot.mclustBIC and plot. In particular, the argument legendArgs to plot.mclustBIC can be passed to MoE\_plotCrit.

#### **Details**

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For more flexibility in plotting, use MoE\_gpairs, MoE\_plotGate, MoE\_plotCrit, MoE\_plotLogLik, MoE\_Similarity, and MoE\_Uncertainty directly.

#### Value

The visualisation according to what of the results of a fitted MoEClust model.

# Note

Caution is advised producing generalised pairs plots when the dimension of the data is large.

Other types of plots are available by first calling as.Mclust on the fitted object, and then calling plot.Mclust on the results. These can be especially useful for univariate data.

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## References

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#### See Also

MoE\_clust, MoE\_stepwise, MoE\_gpairs, MoE\_plotGate, MoE\_plotCrit, MoE\_plotLogLik, MoE\_Similarity, MoE\_Uncertainty, as. Mclust, plot.Mclust

# **Examples**

```
data(ais)
res <- MoE_clust(ais[,3:7], gating= ~ BMI, expert= ~ sex,</pre>
                 G=2, modelNames="EVE", network.data=ais)
# Plot the gating network
plot(res, what="gating", x.axis=ais$BMI, xlab="BMI")
# Plot the log-likelihood
plot(res, what="loglik", col="blue")
# Plot the uncertainty profile
plot(res, what="uncertainty", type="profile")
# Produce a generalised pairs plot
plot(res, what="gpairs")
# Produce a heatmap of the similarity matrix
plot(res, what="similarity")
# Modify the gpairs plot by passing arguments to MoE_gpairs()
plot(res, what="gpairs", response.type="density", varwidth=TRUE,
     data.ind=c(5,3,4,1,2), jitter=FALSE, show.counts=FALSE)
```

predict.MoEClust

Predictions for MoEClust models

# Description

Predicts both cluster membership probabilities and fitted response values from a MoEClust model, using covariates and response data, or covariates only. The predicted MAP classification, mixing proportions, and component means are all also reported in both cases, as well as the predictions of the expert network corresponding to the most probable component.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'MoEClust'
predict(object,
        newdata,
        resid = FALSE,
        discard.noise = FALSE,
        MAPresids = FALSE,
        use.y = TRUE,
        ...)
## S3 method for class 'MoEClust'
fitted(object,
       . . . )
## S3 method for class 'MoEClust'
residuals(object,
          newdata,
          ...)
```

# Arguments

An object of class "MoEClust" generated by MoE\_clust, or an object of class "MoECompare" generated by MoE\_compare. Predictions for models with a noise component are facilitated here too (see discard.noise).

newdata

A list with two named components, each of which must be a data.frame or matrix with named columns, giving the data for which predictions are desired.

new.x The new covariates for the gating &/or expert networks. Must be supplied when newdata\$new.y is supplied.

new.y (Optional) response data (see use.y below). When supplied, cluster and response prediction is based on both newdata\$new.x and newdata\$new.y, otherwise only on the covariates in newdata\$new.x.

If supplied as a list with elements new. x and new. y, both **must** have the same number of rows.

Alternatively, a single data. frame or matrix can be supplied and an attempt will be made to extract & separate covariate and response columns (if any) into newdata\$new.x and newdata\$new.y based on the variable names in object\$data and object\$net.covs.

When newdata is not supplied in any way, the covariates and response variables used in the fitting of the model are used here. It is possible to not supply new.y and to supply an empty data. frame or matrix for new.x (or to equivalently supply an empty data. frame or matrix for newdata itself) for models with no covariates of any kind, which effectively predicts the weighted mean of the component means.

resid

A logical indicating whether to return the residuals also. Defaults to FALSE. Only allowed when response variables are supplied in some form. The function residuals is a wrapper to predict with the argument resid set to TRUE, with only the residuals returned.

object

discard.noise

A logical governing how predictions of the responses are made for models with a noise component (otherwise this argument is irrelevant). By default (FALSE), the mean of the noise component is accounted for. Otherwise, or when the mean of the noise component is unavailable (due to having been manually supplied through MoE\_control via noise.args\$noise.vol), prediction of the responses is performed using a z matrix which is renormalised after discarding the column corresponding to the noise component. The renormalisation approach can be forced by specifying TRUE, even when the mean of the noise component is available. For models with a noise component fitted with algo="CEM", a small extra E-step is conducted for observations assigned to the non-noise components in this case.

MAPresids

A logical indicating whether residuals are computed against y (TRUE, the default) or MAPy when FALSE. Not relevant for models with equal mixing proportions when only new. x is available. See **Value** below for more details.

use.y

A logical indicating whether the response variables (if any are supplied either via new.y or via newdata itself) are actually used in the prediction. Defaults to TRUE, but useful when FALSE for computing residuals as though only the covariates in new.x were supplied. For out-of-sample prediction, typically new.y would not be supplied anyway and so the use.y=TRUE default becomes irrelevant.

Catches unused arguments (and allows the predict arguments discard.noise &/or use.y to be passed through fitted or the discard.noise, MAPresids, and/or use.y arguments to be passed through residuals).

#### Details

Predictions can also be made for models with a noise component, in which case z will include the probability of belonging to "Cluster0" & classification will include labels with the value 0 for observations classified as noise (if any). The argument discard.noise governs how the responses are predicted in the presence of a noise component (see noise\_vol for more details).

Note that the argument discard.noise is invoked for any models with a noise component, while the similar MoE\_control argument noise.args\$discard.noise is only invoked for models with both a noise component and expert network covariates.

Please be aware that a model considered optimal from a clustering point of view may not necessarily be optimal from a prediction point of view. In particular, full MoE models with covariates in both networks (for which both the cluster membership probabilities and component means are observation-specific) are recommended for out-of-sample prediction when only new covariates are observed (see new.x and new.y above, as well as use.y).

#### Value

A list with the following named components, regardless of whether newdata\$new.x and newdata\$new.y were used, or newdata\$new.x only.

y Aggregated fitted values of the response variables.

z A matrix whose [i,k]-th entry is the probability that observation i of the newdata belongs to the k-th component. For models with a noise component, the final column gives the probability of belonging to the so-called *Cluster0*.

classification The vector of predicted cluster labels for the newdata. 0 is returned for observations assigned to the noise component.

pro The predicted mixing proportions for the newdata, i.e. predicted values of the

gating network. object\$parameters\$pro is returned for models without gating

network covariates. See predict.MoE\_gating.

mean The predicted component means for the newdata, i.e. predicted values of the

expert network. Given as a 3-dimensional array with dimensions given by the number of new observations, the number of variables, and the number of clusters. The first dimension is of length 1 when there are no expert network covariates, in which case the entries correspond to object\$parameters\$mean. See

predict.MoE\_expert.

MAPy Fitted values of the single expert network to which each observation is most

probably assigned. Not returned for models with equal mixing proportions when only new. x is available. Likely to only be of use for models with gating and expert covariates when only new. x is supplied. Note that MAPy and y will coincide for models fitted via the CEM algorithm (see MoE\_control and its argument

algo).

When residuals is called, only the residuals (governed by MAPresids) are returned; when predict is called with resid=TRUE, the list above will also contain the element resids, containing the residuals.

The returned values of pro and mean are always the same, regardless of whether newdata\$new.x and newdata\$new.y were used, or newdata\$new.x only.

Finally, fitted is simply a wrapper to predict.MoEClust(object)\$y without any newdata, and with the resid and MAPresids arguments also ignored.

# Note

Note that a dedicated predict function is also provided for objects of class "MoE\_gating" (typically object\$gating, where object is of class "MoEClust"). This function is effectively a short-cut to predict(object, ...) \$pro, which (unlike the predict method for multinom on which it is based) accounts for the various ways of treating gating covariates and noise components, although its type argument defaults to "probs" rather than "class". Notably, its keep.noise argument behaves differently from the discard.noise argument here; here, the noise component is **only** discarded in the computation of the predicted responses. See predict.MoE\_gating for further details.

Similarly, a dedicated predict function is also provided for objects of class "MoE\_expert" (typically object\$expert, where object is of class "MoE\_expert"). This function is effectively a wrapper to predict(object, ...)\$mean, albeit it returns a list (by default) rather than a 3-dimensional array and also *always* preserves the dimensions of newdata, even for models without expert network covariates. See predict.MoE\_expert for further details.

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## References

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#### See Also

```
MoE_clust, MoE_control, noise_vol, predict.MoE_gating, predict.MoE_expert
```

# **Examples**

```
data(ais)
# Fit a MoEClust model and predict the same data
        <- MoE_clust(ais[,3:7], G=2, gating= ~ BMI, expert= ~ sex,
                     modelNames="EVE", network.data=ais)
        <- predict(res)
pred1
# Get only the fitted responses
       <- fitted(res)
all.equal(pred1$y, fits) #TRUE
# Remove some rows of the data for prediction purposes
        <- sample(1:nrow(ais), 5)
        <- ais[-ind,]
dat
# Fit another MoEClust model to the retained data
        <- MoE_clust(dat[,3:7], G=3, gating= ~ BMI + sex,
                     modelNames="EEE", network.data=dat)
# Predict held back data using the covariates & response variables
(pred2 <- predict(res2, newdata=ais[ind,]))</pre>
# pred2 <- predict(res2, newdata=list(new.y=ais[ind,3:7],</pre>
                                       new.x=ais[ind,c("BMI", "sex")]))
# Get the residuals
residuals(res2, newdata=ais[ind,])
# Predict held back data using only the covariates
(pred3 <- predict(res2, newdata=ais[ind,], use.y=FALSE))</pre>
# pred3 <- predict(res2, newdata=list(new.x=ais[ind,c("BMI", "sex")]))</pre>
# pred3 <- predict(res2, newdata=ais[ind,c("BMI", "sex")])</pre>
```

predict.MoE\_expert

Predictions from MoEClust expert networks

#### **Description**

Predictions (point estimates) of observation-specific component means from each (non-noise) component's expert network linear regression.

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## Usage

# Arguments

object	An object of class "MoE_expert" (typically x\$expert, where x is of class "MoEClust").
newdata	A matrix or data frame of test examples. If omitted, the fitted values are used.
simplify	Logical indicating whether to simplify the output (in the form of a list) to a 3-dimensional array with dimensions given by the number of new observations, the number of variables, and the number of clusters. The first dimension of such an array is of length 1 when there are no expert network covariates, in which case the entries correspond to object\$parameters\$mean. Defaults to FALSE.
droplevels	A logical indicating whether unseen factor levels in categorical variables within newdata should be dropped (with NA predicted in their place). Defaults to FALSE. See drop_levels.
	Catches unused arguments or allows the simplify argument to be passed through fitted and residuals.

#### **Details**

This function is effectively just a shortcut to lapply(x\$expert, predict.lm, newdata=...). It can also be thought of as a wrapper to predict.MoEClust(x, ...)\$mean, although it returns a list (by default) rather than a 3-dimensional array and also *always* preserves the dimensions of newdata, even for models without expert network covariates.

# Value

For simplify=FALSE, either a list of vectors or predictions (for univariate data) or a list of matrices of predictions (for multivariate data). These lists are of the same length as number of non-noise components in the fitted model. When simplify=TRUE, a 3-dimensional array of predictions is returned, with respective dimensions given by the number of observations, variables, and non-noise components.

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#### See Also

```
predict.MoEClust, lm, predict.MoE_gating, drop_levels
```

## **Examples**

```
data(CO2data)
res <- MoE_clust(CO2data$CO2, G=3, equalPro=TRUE, expert= ~ GNP, network.data=CO2data)
predict(res$expert)
# Try with newdata and simplify=TRUE
predict(res$expert, newdata=CO2data[1:5,"GNP", drop=FALSE], simplify=TRUE)</pre>
```

predict.MoE\_gating

Predictions from MoEClust gating networks

# **Description**

Predicts mixing proportions from MoEClust gating networks. Effectively akin to predicting from a multinomial logistic regression via multinom, although here the noise component (if any) is properly accounted for. So too are models with no gating covariates at all, or models with the equal mixing proportion constraint. Prior probabilities are returned by default.

# Usage

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#### **Arguments**

object	An object of class "MoE_gating" (typically x $$$ gating, where x is of class "MoEClust").
newdata	A matrix or data frame of test examples. If omitted, the fitted values are used.
type	The type of output desired. The default ("probs") returns prior probabilities, while "class" returns labels indicating the most likely group <i>a priori</i> . Note that observations classified assigned the noise component (if any) are given a label of 0.
keep.noise	A logical indicating whether the output should acknowledge the noise component (if any). Defaults to TRUE; when FALSE, this column is discarded and the matrix of probabilities is renormalised accordingly.
droplevels	A logical indicating whether unseen factor levels in categorical variables within newdata should be dropped (with NA predicted in their place). Defaults to FALSE. See drop_levels.
•••	Catches unused arguments or allows the type and keep.noise arguments to be passed through fitted and the keep.noise argument to be passed through residuals.

#### **Details**

This function is effectively a shortcut to predict.MoEClust(x, ...) \$pro, which (unlike the predict method for multinom on which predict.MoE\_gating is based) accounts for the various ways of treating gating covariates, equal mixing proportion constraints, and noise components, although its type argument defaults to "probs" rather than "class".

# Value

The return value depends on whether newdata is supplied or not and whether the model includes gating covariates to begin with. When newdata is not supplied, the fitted values are returned (as a matrix if the model contained gating covariates, otherwise as a vector as per x\$parameters\$pro). If newdata is supplied, the output is always a matrix with the same number of rows as the newdata.

# Note

Note that the keep.noise argument does **not** correspond in any way to the discard.noise argument to predict.MoEClust; there, the noise component is respected in the computation of the mixing proportions and only discarded (if at all) in the prediction of the responses.

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## See Also

```
predict.MoEClust, multinom, predict.MoE_expert, drop_levels
```

## **Examples**

quant\_clust

Quantile-Based Clustering for Univariate Data

# **Description**

Returns a quantile-based clustering for univariate data.

#### **Usage**

# Arguments

x A vector of numeric data.

G The desired number of clusters.

#### Value

The vector of cluster labels.

```
data(CO2data)
quant_clust(CO2data$CO2, G=2)
```

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