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fakedata	<i>Synthetic Dataset</i>
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Description

An artificially generated cross-sectional dataset together with an accompanying binary connectivity matrix \mathbf{W} . The $n = 100$ units are located on a regular grid and \mathbf{W} is defined according to rook's adjacency definition of contiguity. The synthetic data can be used to illustrate the functionality of this package.

Usage

```
data(fakedata)
```

```
W
```

Format

An object of class `data.frame` with 100 rows and 8 columns.

An object of class `matrix` (inherits from `array`) with 100 rows and 100 columns.

Value

The file contains two objects:

fakedataset	a synthetic dataset
W	an artificial spatial connectivity matrix

Examples

```
data(fakedata)
head(fakedataset)
dim(W)
```

getEVs	<i>Eigenfunction Decomposition of a (Transformed) Spatial Connectivity Matrix</i>
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Description

Extract eigenvectors and corresponding eigenvalues from the matrix $\mathbf{M}\mathbf{W}\mathbf{M}$, where \mathbf{M} denotes a symmetric and idempotent projection matrix and \mathbf{W} is the spatial connectivity matrix. This function also reports the Moran coefficient associated with each of the eigenvectors.

Usage

```
getEVs(W, covars = NULL)
```

Arguments

<code>W</code>	spatial connectivity matrix
<code>covars</code>	vector/ matrix of regressors included in the construction of the projection matrix \mathbf{M} - see Details

Details

The eigenfunctions obtained by `getEVs` can be used to perform supervised eigenvector selection and to manually create a spatial filter. To this end, a candidate set may be determined by 1) the sign of the spatial autocorrelation in model residuals and 2) the strength of spatial association found in each eigenvector as indicated by `moran`.

Prior to the spectral decomposition, `getEVs` symmetrizes the spatial connectivity matrix by: $1/2 * (\mathbf{W} + \mathbf{W}')$.

If `covars` are supplied, the function uses the covariates to construct projection matrix: $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'$. Using this matrix results in a set of eigenvectors that are uncorrelated to each other as well as to the covariates. If `covars = NULL`, only the intercept term is used to construct \mathbf{M} . See e.g., Griffith and Tiefelsdorf (2007) for more details on the appropriate choice of \mathbf{M} .

Value

A list containing the following objects:

`vectors` matrix of all eigenvectors

`values` vector of the corresponding eigenvalues

`moran` vector of the Moran coefficients associated with the eigenvectors

Author(s)

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References

Tiefelsdorf, Michael and Daniel A. Griffith (2007): Semiparametric filtering of spatial autocorrelation: the eigenvector approach. *Environment and Planning A: Economy and Space*, 39 (5): pp. 1193 - 1221.

See Also

[lmFilter](#), [glmFilter](#), [MI.ev](#), [MI.sf](#), [vif.ev](#), [partialR2](#)

Examples

```
data(fakedata)

E <- getEVs(W = W, covars = NULL)
```

glmFilter

Unsupervised Spatial Filtering with Eigenvectors in Generalized Linear Regression Models

Description

This function implements the eigenvector-based semiparametric spatial filtering approach in a generalized linear regression framework using maximum likelihood estimation (MLE). Eigenvectors are selected by an unsupervised stepwise regression technique. Supported selection criteria are the minimization of residual autocorrelation, maximization of model fit, significance of residual autocorrelation, and the statistical significance of eigenvectors. Alternatively, all eigenvectors in the candidate set can be included as well.

Usage

```
glmFilter(
  y,
  x = NULL,
  W,
  objfn = "AIC",
  MX = NULL,
  model,
  optim.method = "BFGS",
  sig = 0.05,
  bonferroni = TRUE,
  positive = TRUE,
  ideal.setsize = FALSE,
  min.reduction = 0.05,
  boot.MI = 100,
  resid.type = "pearson",
  alpha = 0.25,
```

```

    tol = 0.1,
    na.rm = TRUE
  )

```

Arguments

<code>y</code>	response variable
<code>x</code>	vector/ matrix of regressors (default = NULL)
<code>W</code>	spatial connectivity matrix
<code>objfn</code>	the objective function to be used for eigenvector selection. Possible criteria are: the maximization of model fit ('AIC', 'AICc', or 'BIC'), minimization of residual autocorrelation ('MI'), significance level of candidate eigenvectors ('p'), significance of residual spatial autocorrelation ('pMI'), or all eigenvectors in the candidate set ('all')
<code>MX</code>	covariates used to construct the projection matrix (default = NULL) - see Details
<code>model</code>	a character string indicating the type of model to be estimated. Currently, 'probit', 'logit', 'poisson', and 'nb' (for negative binomial model) are valid inputs
<code>optim.method</code>	a character specifying the optimization method used by the <code>optim</code> function
<code>sig</code>	significance level to be used for eigenvector selection if <code>objfn = 'p'</code> or <code>objfn = 'pMI'</code>
<code>bonferroni</code>	Bonferroni adjustment for the significance level (TRUE/ FALSE) if <code>objfn = 'p'</code> . Set to FALSE if <code>objfn = 'pMI'</code> - see Details
<code>positive</code>	restrict search to eigenvectors associated with positive levels of spatial autocorrelation (TRUE/ FALSE)
<code>ideal.setsize</code>	if <code>positive = TRUE</code> , uses the formula proposed by Chun et al. (2016) to determine the ideal size of the candidate set (TRUE/ FALSE)
<code>min.reduction</code>	if <code>objfn</code> is 'AIC', 'AICc' or 'BIC'. A value in the interval [0,1) that determines the minimum reduction in the selected information criterion (relative to its current value) a candidate eigenvector needs to achieve in order to be selected
<code>boot.MI</code>	number of iterations used to estimate the variance of Moran's I (default is 100). Alternatively, if <code>boot.MI = NULL</code> , analytical results will be used
<code>resid.type</code>	character string specifying the residual type to be used. Options are 'raw', 'pearson', and 'deviance'
<code>alpha</code>	a value in (0,1] indicating the range of candidate eigenvectors according to their associated level of spatial autocorrelation, see e.g., Griffith (2003)
<code>tol</code>	if <code>objfn = 'MI'</code> , determines the amount of remaining residual autocorrelation at which the eigenvector selection terminates
<code>na.rm</code>	remove observations with missing values (TRUE/ FALSE)

Details

If \mathbf{W} is not symmetric, it gets symmetrized by $1/2 * (\mathbf{W} + \mathbf{W}')$ before the decomposition.

If covariates are supplied to `MX`, the function uses these regressors to construct the following projection matrix:

$$\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'$$

Eigenvectors from **MWM** using this specification of **M** are not only mutually uncorrelated but also orthogonal to the regressors specified in **MX**. Alternatively, if **MX = NULL**, the projection matrix becomes $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{1}\mathbf{1}'/n$, where **1** is a vector of ones and *n* represents the number of observations. Griffith and Tiefelsdorf (2007) show how the choice of the appropriate **M** depends on the underlying process that generates the spatial dependence.

The Bonferroni correction is only possible if eigenvector selection is based on the significance level of the eigenvectors (`objfn = 'p'`). It is set to **FALSE** if eigenvectors are added to the model until the residuals exhibit no significant level of spatial autocorrelation (`objfn = 'pMI'`).

For the negative binomial model, deviance residuals are currently not computed. The function sets `resid.type = 'pearson'` and prints a message to the console.

Value

An object of class `spfilter` containing the following information:

`estimates` summary statistics of the parameter estimates

`varcovar` estimated variance-covariance matrix

`EV` a matrix containing the summary statistics of selected eigenvectors

`selvecs` vector/ matrix of selected eigenvectors

`evMI` Moran coefficient of eigenvectors

`moran` residual autocorrelation in the initial and the filtered model

`fit` adjusted R-squared of the initial and the filtered model

`residuals` initial and filtered model residuals

`other` a list providing supplementary information:

`ncandidates` number of candidate eigenvectors considered

`nev` number of selected eigenvectors

`condnum` condition number to assess the degree of multicollinearity among the eigenvectors induced by the link function, see e.g., Griffith/ Amrhein (1997)

`sel_id` ID of selected eigenvectors

`sf` vector representing the spatial filter

`sfMI` Moran coefficient of the spatial filter

`model` type of the regression model

`dependence` filtered for positive or negative spatial dependence

`objfn` selection criterion specified in the objective function of the stepwise regression procedure

`bonferroni` TRUE/ FALSE: Bonferroni-adjusted significance level (if `objfn='p'`)

`siglevel` if `objfn = 'p'` or `objfn = 'pMI'`: actual (unadjusted/ adjusted) significance level

`resid.type` residual type ('raw', 'deviance', or 'pearson')

`pseudoR2` McFadden's (adjusted) pseudo R-squared (filtered vs. unfiltered model) based on the models' likelihood functions

Note

If the condition number (condnum) suggests high levels of multicollinearity, eigenvectors can be sequentially removed from `selvecs` and the model can be re-estimated using the `glm` function in order to identify and manually remove the problematic eigenvectors. Moreover, if other models that are currently not implemented here need to be estimated (e.g., quasi-binomial models), users can extract eigenvectors using the function `getEVs` and perform a supervised eigenvector search using the `glm` function.

In contrast to eigenvector-based spatial filtering in linear regression models, Chun (2014) notes that only a limited number of studies address the problem of measuring spatial autocorrelation in generalized linear model residuals. Consequently, eigenvector selection may be based on an objective function that maximizes model fit rather than a function that minimizes residual spatial autocorrelation, e.g., the corrected Akaike information criterion ('AICc') which includes a small-sample penalty to account for the tendency to choose overparameterized models.

References

Chun, Yongwan (2014): Analyzing Space-Time Crime Incidents Using Eigenvector Spatial Filtering: An Application to Vehicle Burglary. *Geographical Analysis* 46 (2): pp. 165 - 184.

Tiefelsdorf, Michael and Daniel A. Griffith (2007): Semiparametric filtering of spatial autocorrelation: the eigenvector approach. *Environment and Planning A: Economy and Space*, 39 (5): pp. 1193 - 1221.

Griffith, Daniel A. (2003): *Spatial Autocorrelation and Spatial Filtering: Gaining Understanding Through Theory and Scientific Visualization*. Berlin/ Heidelberg, Springer.

Griffith, Daniel A. and Carl G. Amrhein (1997): *Multivariate Statistical Analysis for Geographers*. Englewood Cliffs, Prentice Hall.

See Also

[lmFilter](#), [getEVs](#), [MI.resid](#), [optim](#)

Examples

```
data(fakedata)

# poisson model
y_pois <- fakedataset$count
poisson <- glmFilter(y = y_pois, x = NULL, W = W, objfn = "MI", positive = FALSE,
model = "poisson", boot.MI = 100)
print(poisson)
summary(poisson, EV = FALSE)

# probit model - summarize EVs
y_prob <- fakedataset$indicator
probit <- glmFilter(y = y_prob, x = NULL, W = W, objfn = "p", positive = FALSE,
model = "probit", boot.MI = 100)
print(probit)
summary(probit, EV = TRUE)

# logit model - AIC objective function
```

```

y_logit <- fakedataset$indicator
logit <- glmFilter(y = y_logit, x = NULL, W = W, objfn = "AIC", positive = FALSE,
model = "logit", min.reduction = .01)
print(logit)
summary(logit, EV = FALSE)

```

lmFilter

Unsupervised Spatial Filtering with Eigenvectors in Linear Regression Models

Description

This function implements the eigenvector-based semiparametric spatial filtering approach in a linear regression framework using ordinary least squares (OLS). Eigenvectors are selected either by an unsupervised stepwise regression procedure or by a penalized regression approach. The stepwise procedure supports selection criteria based on the minimization of residual autocorrelation, maximization of model fit, significance of residual autocorrelation, and the statistical significance of eigenvectors. Alternatively, all eigenvectors in the candidate set can be included as well.

Usage

```

lmFilter(
  y,
  x = NULL,
  W,
  objfn = "MI",
  MX = NULL,
  sig = 0.05,
  bonferroni = TRUE,
  positive = TRUE,
  ideal.setsize = FALSE,
  conditional.se = FALSE,
  alpha = 0.25,
  tol = 0.1,
  boot.MI = NULL,
  na.rm = TRUE
)

## S3 method for class 'spfilter'
summary(object, EV = FALSE, ...)

```

Arguments

y	response variable
x	vector/ matrix of regressors (default = NULL)
W	spatial connectivity matrix

objfn	the objective function to be used for eigenvector selection. For stepwise selection, possible criteria are: the maximization of the adjusted R-squared ('R2'), minimization of different information criteria ('AIC', 'AICc', or 'BIC'), minimization of residual autocorrelation ('MI'), significance level of candidate eigenvectors ('p'), or significance of residual spatial autocorrelation ('pMI'). The lasso-based selection ('MI-lasso') implements the procedure suggested by Barde et al. (2025). Alternatively, all eigenvectors in the candidate set ('all') can be included as well which does not require any selection procedure.
MX	covariates used to construct the projection matrix (default = NULL) - see Details
sig	significance level to be used for eigenvector selection if objfn = 'p' or objfn = 'pMI'
bonferroni	Bonferroni adjustment for the significance level (TRUE/ FALSE) if objfn = 'p'. Set to FALSE if objfn = 'pMI' - see Details
positive	restrict search to eigenvectors associated with positive levels of spatial autocorrelation (TRUE/ FALSE)
ideal.setsize	if positive = TRUE, uses the formula proposed by Chun et al. (2016) to determine the ideal size of the candidate set (TRUE/ FALSE)
conditional.se	report standard errors of the regression coefficients associated with the covariates conditional on the selected eigenvectors using a partial regression framework (TRUE/ FALSE). Recommended if objfn = 'MI-lasso' (Barde et al. (2025)) - see Details
alpha	a value in (0,1] indicating the range of candidate eigenvectors according to their associated level of spatial autocorrelation, see e.g., Griffith (2003)
tol	if objfn = 'MI', determines the amount of remaining residual autocorrelation at which the eigenvector selection terminates
boot.MI	number of iterations used to estimate the variance of Moran's I. If boot.MI = NULL (default), analytical results will be used
na.rm	listwise deletion of observations with missing values (TRUE/ FALSE)
object	an object of class spfilter
EV	display summary statistics for selected eigenvectors (TRUE/ FALSE)
...	additional arguments

Details

If \mathbf{W} is not symmetric, it gets symmetrized by $1/2 * (\mathbf{W} + \mathbf{W}')$ before the decomposition.

If covariates are supplied to MX, the function uses these regressors to construct the following projection matrix:

$$\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'$$

Eigenvectors from $\mathbf{M}\mathbf{W}\mathbf{M}$ using this specification of \mathbf{M} are not only mutually uncorrelated but also orthogonal to the regressors specified in MX. Alternatively, if MX = NULL, the projection matrix becomes $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{1}\mathbf{1}'/n$, where $\mathbf{1}$ is a vector of ones and n represents the number of observations. Griffith and Tiefelsdorf (2007) show how the choice of the appropriate \mathbf{M} depends on the underlying spatial process. For inference on regression coefficients when the DGP is unknown, Moran eigenvectors should be derived independently of the regressors (MX = NULL). Projecting \mathbf{W} onto the

space orthogonal to \mathbf{X} may alter the estimand of the regression coefficients and is therefore not recommended for general inference.

The Bonferroni correction is only possible if eigenvector selection is based on the significance level of the eigenvectors (`objfn = 'p'`). It is set to `FALSE` if eigenvectors are added to the model until the residuals exhibit no significant level of spatial autocorrelation (`objfn = 'pMI'`).

For inference on regression coefficients, Barde et al. (2025) compute standard errors using a partial regression framework (see also Chernozhukov et al. (2015)). Both the outcome and the covariates are residualized with respect to the selected eigenvectors, and the variance–covariance matrix is calculated from these residualized variables. This approach treats the selected eigenvectors as fixed regressors and provides valid post-selection inference when eigenvector selection is stable. When `objfn = "MI-lasso"`, conditional standard errors are therefore generally recommended for inference on regression coefficients.

Value

An object of class `spfilter` containing the following information:

`estimates` summary statistics of the parameter estimates

`varcovar` estimated variance-covariance matrix

`EV` a matrix containing the summary statistics of selected eigenvectors

`selvecs` vector/ matrix of selected eigenvectors

`evMI` Moran coefficient of eigenvectors

`moran` residual autocorrelation in the initial and the filtered model

`fit` adjusted R-squared of the initial and the filtered model

`ICs` information criteria (AIC, AICc, and BIC) of the initial and the filtered model

`residuals` initial and filtered model residuals

`other` a list providing supplementary information:

`ncandidates` number of candidate eigenvectors considered

`nev` number of selected eigenvectors

`sel_id` ID of selected eigenvectors

`sf` vector representing the spatial filter

`sfMI` Moran coefficient of the spatial filter

`model` type of the fitted regression model

`dependence` filtered for positive or negative spatial dependence

`objfn` selection criterion specified in the objective function of the stepwise regression procedure

`bonferroni` TRUE/ FALSE: Bonferroni-adjusted significance level (if `objfn = 'p'`)

`conditional.se` TRUE/ FALSE: conditional standard errors used

`siglevel` if `objfn = 'p'` or `objfn = 'pMI'`: actual (unadjusted/ adjusted) significance level

References

- Tiefelsdorf, Michael and Daniel A. Griffith (2007): Semiparametric filtering of spatial autocorrelation: the eigenvector approach. *Environment and Planning A: Economy and Space*, 39 (5): pp. 1193 - 1221.
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- Tiefelsdorf, Michael and Barry Boots (1995): The Exact Distribution of Moran's I. *Environment and Planning A: Economy and Space*, 27 (6): pp. 985 - 999.
- Barde, Sylvain, Rowan Cherodian, Guy Tchuente (2025): Moran's I lasso for models with spatially correlated data. *The Econometrics Journal*, 28 (3): pp. 423 - 441.
- Chernozhukov, Victor, Christian Hansen and Martin Spindler (2015): Post-selection and post-regularization inference in linear models with many controls and instruments. *American Economic Review*, 105 (5), pp. 486 - 490.

See Also

[glmFilter](#), [getEVs](#), [MI.resid](#)

Examples

```
data(fakedata)
y <- fakedataset$x1
X <- cbind(fakedataset$x2, fakedataset$x3)

res <- lmFilter(y = y, x = X, W = W, objfn = 'MI', positive = FALSE)
print(res)
summary(res, EV = TRUE)

E <- res$selvecs
(ols <- coef(lm(y ~ X + E)))
coef(res)
```

Description

A decomposition of the Moran coefficient in order to separately test for the simultaneous presence of positive and negative autocorrelation in a variable.

Usage

```
MI.decomp(x, W, nsim = 100, na.rm = TRUE)
```

Arguments

x	a vector or matrix
W	spatial connectivity matrix
nsim	number of iterations to simulate the null distribution
na.rm	listwise deletion of observations with missing values (TRUE/ FALSE)

Details

If `x` is a matrix, this function computes the Moran test for spatial autocorrelation for each column.

The p -values calculated for I+ and I- assume a directed alternative hypothesis. Statistical significance is assessed using a permutation procedure to generate a simulated null distribution.

Value

Returns a `data.frame` that contains the following information for each variable:

- I+ observed value of Moran's I (positive part)
- VarI+ variance of Moran's I (positive part)
- pI+ simulated p -value of Moran's I (positive part)
- I- observed value of Moran's I (negative part)
- VarI- variance of Moran's I (negative part)
- pI- simulated p -value of Moran's I (negative part)
- pItwo.sided simulated p -value of the two-sided test

Author(s)

Sebastian Juhl

References

Dary, Stéphane (2011): A New Perspective about Moran's Coefficient: Spatial Autocorrelation as a Linear Regression Problem. *Geographical Analysis*, 43 (2): pp. 127 - 141.

See Also

[MI.vec](#), [MI.ev](#), [MI.sf](#), [MI.resid](#), [MI.local](#), [getEVs](#)

Examples

```

data(fakedata)
X <- cbind(fakedataset$x1, fakedataset$x2,
fakedataset$x3, fakedataset$negative)

(MI.dec <- MI.decomp(x = X, W = W, nsim = 100))

# the sum of I+ and I- equals the observed Moran coefficient:
I <- MI.vec(x = X, W = W)[, "I"]
cbind(MI.dec[, "I+"] + MI.dec[, "I-"], I)

```

MI.ev

Moran Coefficients of Eigenvectors

Description

Calculates the Moran coefficient for each eigenvector.

Usage

```
MI.ev(W, evals)
```

Arguments

W	spatial connectivity matrix
evals	vector of eigenvalues

Value

Returns a vector containing the Moran coefficients of the eigenvectors associated with the supplied eigenvalues.

Author(s)

Sebastian Juhl

References

Le Gallo, Julie and Antonio Páez (2013): Using synthetic variables in instrumental variable estimation of spatial series models. *Environment and Planning A*, 45 (9): pp. 2227 - 2242.

Tiefelsdorf, Michael and Barry Boots (1995): The Exact Distribution of Moran's I. *Environment and Planning A: Economy and Space*, 27 (6): pp. 985 - 999.

See Also

[lmFilter](#), [glmFilter](#), [getEVs](#), [MI.sf](#)

MI.local	<i>Local Moran Coefficient</i>
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Description

Reports the local Moran Coefficient for each unit.

Usage

```
MI.local(x, W, alternative = "greater", na.rm = TRUE)
```

Arguments

x	a vector	
W	spatial connectivity matrix	
alternative	specification of alternative hypothesis as 'greater' (default), 'lower', or 'two.sided'	
na.rm	listwise deletion of observations with missing values (TRUE/ FALSE)	

Value

Returns an object of class `data.frame` that contains the following information for each variable:

- `Ii` observed value of local Moran's I
- `EIi` expected value of local Moran coefficients
- `VarIi` variance of local Moran's I
- `zIi` standardized local Moran coefficient
- `pIi` *p*-value of the test statistic

Note

The calculation of the statistic and its moments follows Anselin (1995) and Sokal et al. (1998).

Author(s)

Sebastian Juhl

References

Anselin, Luc (1991): Local Indicators of Spatial Association-LISA. *Geographical Analysis*, 27 (2): pp. 93 - 115.

Bivand, Roger S. and David W. S. Wong (2018): Comparing Implementations of Global and Local Indicators of Spatial Association. *TEST*, 27: pp. 716 - 748.

Sokal, Robert R., Neal L. Oden, Barbara A. Thomson (1998): Local Spatial Autocorrelation in a Biological Model. *Geographical Analysis*, 30 (4): pp. 331 - 354.

See Also

[MI.vec](#), [MI.ev](#), [MI.sf](#), [MI.resid](#), [MI.decomp](#)

Examples

```
data(fakedata)
x <- fakedataset$x2

(MIi <- MI.local(x = x, W = W, alternative = "greater"))
```

MI.resid

Moran Test for Residual Spatial Autocorrelation

Description

This function assesses the degree of spatial autocorrelation present in regression residuals by means of the Moran coefficient.

Usage

```
MI.resid(
  resid,
  x = NULL,
  W,
  alternative = "greater",
  boot = NULL,
  na.rm = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

resid	residual vector
x	vector/ matrix of regressors (default = NULL)
W	spatial connectivity matrix
alternative	specification of alternative hypothesis as 'greater' (default), 'lower', or 'two.sided'
boot	optional integer specifying the number of simulation iterations to compute the variance. If NULL (default), variance calculated under assumed normality
na.rm	listwise deletion of observations with missing values (TRUE/ FALSE)

Details

The function assumes an intercept-only model if $x = \text{NULL}$. Furthermore, `MI.resid` automatically symmetrizes the matrix \mathbf{W} by: $1/2 * (\mathbf{W} + \mathbf{W}')$.

Value

A data.frame object with the following elements:

I observed value of the Moran coefficient

EI expected value of Moran's I

VarI variance of Moran's I

zI standardized Moran coefficient

pI *p*-value of the test statistic

Note

Calculations are based on the procedure proposed by Cliff and Ord (1981). See also Cliff and Ord (1972).

Author(s)

Sebastian Juhl

References

Cliff, Andrew D. and John K. Ord (1981): Spatial Processes: Models & Applications. Pion, London.

Cliff, Andrew D. and John K. Ord (1972): Testing for Spatial Autocorrelation Among Regression Residuals. Geographical Analysis, 4 (3): pp. 267 - 284

See Also

[lmFilter](#), [glmFilter](#), [MI.vec](#), [MI.local](#)

Examples

```
data(fakedata)
y <- fakedataset$x1
x <- fakedataset$x2

resid <- y - x %*% solve(crossprod(x)) %*% crossprod(x,y)
(Moran <- MI.resid(resid = resid, x = x, W = W, alternative = "greater"))

# intercept-only model
x <- rep(1, length(y))
resid2 <- y - x %*% solve(crossprod(x)) %*% crossprod(x,y)
intercept <- MI.resid(resid = resid2, W = W, alternative = "greater")
# same result with MI.vec for the intercept-only model
vec <- MI.vec(x = resid2, W = W, alternative = "greater")
rbind(intercept, vec)
```

`MI.sf`*Moran Coefficient of the Spatial Filter*

Description

Computes the Moran coefficient of the spatial filter.

Usage

```
MI.sf(gamma, evMI)
```

Arguments

<code>gamma</code>	vector of regression coefficients associated with the eigenvectors
<code>evMI</code>	Moran coefficient of eigenvectors

Value

Moran coefficient of the spatial filter.

Author(s)

Sebastian Juhl

References

Le Gallo, Julie and Antonio Páez (2013): Using synthetic variables in instrumental variable estimation of spatial series models. *Environment and Planning A: Economy and Space*, 45 (9): pp. 2227 - 2242.

See Also

[lmFilter](#), [glmFilter](#), [getEVs](#), [MI.ev](#)

`MI.vec`*Moran Test for Spatial Autocorrelation*

Description

Tests for the presence of spatial autocorrelation in variables as indicated by the Moran coefficient. The variance is calculated under the normality assumption.

Usage

```
MI.vec(x, W, alternative = "greater", symmetrize = TRUE, na.rm = TRUE)
```

Arguments

x	a vector or matrix
W	spatial connectivity matrix
alternative	specification of alternative hypothesis as 'greater' (default), 'lower', or 'two.sided'
symmetrize	symmetrizes the connectivity matrix W by: $1/2 * (\mathbf{W} + \mathbf{W}')$ (TRUE/ FALSE)
na.rm	listwise deletion of observations with missing values (TRUE/ FALSE)

Details

If x is a matrix, this function computes the Moran test for spatial autocorrelation for each column.

Value

Returns an object of class `data.frame` that contains the following information for each variable:

I observed value of the Moran coefficient
EI expected value of Moran's I
VarI variance of Moran's I (under normality)
zI standardized Moran coefficient
pI *p*-value of the test statistic

Note

Estimation of the variance (under the normality assumption) follows Cliff and Ord (1981), see also Upton and Fingleton (1985). It assumes the connectivity matrix **W** to be symmetric. For inherently non-symmetric matrices, it is recommended to specify `symmetrize = TRUE`.

Author(s)

Sebastian Juhl

References

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Upton, Graham J. G. and Bernard Fingleton (1985): Spatial Data Analysis by Example, Volume 1. New York, Wiley.

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See Also

[MI.resid](#), [MI.local](#)

Examples

```
data(fakedata)
X <- cbind(fakedataset$x1, fakedataset$x2, fakedataset$x3)

(MI <- MI.vec(x = X, W = W, alternative = "greater", symmetrize = TRUE))
```

partialR2

Coefficient of Partial Determination

Description

This function computes the partial R-squared of all selected eigenvectors in a spatially filtered linear regression model.

Usage

```
partialR2(y, x = NULL, evecs)
```

Arguments

y	response variable
x	vector/ matrix of regressors
evecs	(selected) eigenvectors

Value

Vector of partial R-squared values of the eigenvectors.

Note

The function assumes a linear regression model. Since the eigenvectors are mutually uncorrelated, `partialR2` evaluates them sequentially. In generalized linear models, the presence of a link function can corrupt the uncorrelatedness of the eigenvectors.

Author(s)

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See Also

[lmFilter](#), [getEVs](#)

Examples

```
data(fakedata)
y <- fakedataset$x1
x <- fakedataset$x2

# get eigenvectors
E <- getEVs(W = W, covars = NULL)$vectors

(out <- partialR2(y = y, x = x, evecs = E[, 1:5]))
```

`vif.ev`*Variance Inflation Factor of Eigenvectors*

Description

Calculate the variance inflation factor (VIF) of the eigenvectors in the spatial filter.

Usage

```
vif.ev(x = NULL, evecs, na.rm = TRUE)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	vector/ matrix of regressors (default = NULL)
<code>evecs</code>	(selected) eigenvectors
<code>na.rm</code>	remove missing values in covariates (TRUE/ FALSE)

Value

Returns a vector containing the VIF for each eigenvector.

Note

This function assumes a linear model which ensures the uncorrelatedness of the eigenvectors. Note that regression weights or the link function used in generalized linear models can corrupt this property.

Author(s)

Sebastian Juhl

See Also

[lmFilter](#), [getEVs](#)

Examples

```
data(fakedata)
E <- getEVs(W = W, covars = NULL)$vectors
(VIF <- vif.ev(x = fakedataset$x1, evecs = E[, 1:10]))
```

vp

*Variance Partitioning with Moran Spectral Randomization***Description**

This function decomposes the variation in an outcome variable into four fractions: a) the influence of covariates, b) joint influence of covariates and space, c) the influence of space, and d) unexplained residual variation. Moran spectral randomization is applied to obtain the expected value of the coefficient of determination adjusted for spurious correlations.

Usage

```
vp(y, x = NULL, evecs = NULL, msr = 100)
```

Arguments

y	outcome vector
x	vector/ matrix of covariates
evecs	selected eigenvectors
msr	number of permutations to compute the expected value under H0

Value

Returns an object of class `vpart` which provides the following information:

R2 unadjusted fractions of explained variation
 adjR2 adjusted fractions (based on Moran spectral randomization)
 msr number of permutations to obtain the expected value under H0

Note

The adjusted R-squared values are obtained by: $1 - (1 - R2) / (1 - E(R2|H0))$. For fractions [ab] and [a], Moran spectral randomization is used to derive $E(R2|H0)$. To this end, the rows in matrix (or column vector) x are randomly permuted in order to preserve the correlation structure (see e.g., Clappe et al. 2018).

Author(s)

Sebastian Juhl

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Wagner, Helene H., and Stéphane Dray (2015): Generating spatially constrained null models for irregularly spaced data using Moran spectral randomization methods. *Methods in Ecology and Evolution* 6 (10): pp. 1169 - 1178.

See Also

[getEVs](#)

Examples

```
data(fakedata)
E <- getEVs(W = W, covars = NULL)$vectors

(partition <- vp(y = fakedataset$x1, evecs = E[, 1:10], msr = 100))
```

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