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Description We developed a negative binomial factor regression model to estimate structured (sparse) associations between a feature matrix X and overdispersed count data Y . With 'nbfar', microbiome count data Y can be used, for example, to associate host or environmental covariates with microbial abundances. Currently, two models are available: a) Negative Binomial reduced rank regression (NB-RRR), b) Negative Binomial co-sparse factor regression (NB-FAR). Please refer the manuscript 'Mishra, A. K., & Müller, C. L. (2021). Negative Binomial factor regression with application to microbiome data analysis. bioRxiv.' for more details.

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| nbfar | <i>Negative binomial co-sparse factor regression (NBFAR)</i> |
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Description

To estimate a low-rank and sparse coefficient matrix in large/high dimensional setting, the approach extracts unit-rank components of required matrix in sequential order. The algorithm automatically stops after extracting sufficient unit rank components.

Usage

```
nbfar(
  Yt,
  X,
  maxrank = 3,
  nlambda = 40,
  cIndex = NULL,
  ofset = NULL,
  control = list(),
  nfold = 5,
  PATH = FALSE,
  nthread = 1,
  trace = FALSE,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------|---|
| Yt | response matrix |
| X | design matrix; when X = NULL, we set X as identity matrix and perform generalized sparse PCA. |
| maxrank | an integer specifying the maximum possible rank of the coefficient matrix or the number of factors |
| nlambda | number of lambda values to be used along each path |
| cIndex | specify index of control variables in the design matrix X |
| ofset | offset matrix or microbiome data analysis specific scaling: common sum scaling = CSS (default), total sum scaling = TSS, median-ratio scaling = MRS, centered-log-ratio scaling = CLR |

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| control | a list of internal parameters controlling the model fitting |
| nfold | number of folds in k-fold crossvalidation |
| PATH | TRUE/FALSE for generating solution path of sequential estimate after cross-validation step |
| nthread | number of thread to be used for parallelizing the crossvalidation procedure |
| trace | TRUE/FALSE checking progress of cross validation error |
| verbose | TRUE/FALSE checking progress of estimation procedure |

Value

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|-----|---|
| C | estimated coefficient matrix; based on GIC |
| Z | estimated control variable coefficient matrix |
| Phi | estimated dispersion parameters |
| U | estimated U matrix (generalize latent factor weights) |
| D | estimated singular values |
| V | estimated V matrix (factor loadings) |

References

Mishra, A., Müller, C. (2022) *Negative binomial factor regression models with application to microbiome data analysis*. <https://doi.org/10.1101/2021.11.29.470304>

Examples

```
## Model specification:
SD <- 123
set.seed(SD)
p <- 100; n <- 200
pz <- 0
nrank <- 3           # true rank
rank.est <- 5       # estimated rank
nlam <- 20          # number of tuning parameter
s = 0.5
q <- 30
control <- nbfar_control() # control parameters
#
#
## Generate data
D <- rep(0, nrank)
V <- matrix(0, ncol = nrank, nrow = q)
U <- matrix(0, ncol = nrank, nrow = p)
#
U[, 1] <- c(sample(c(1, -1), 8, replace = TRUE), rep(0, p - 8))
U[, 2] <- c(rep(0, 5), sample(c(1, -1), 9, replace = TRUE), rep(0, p - 14))
U[, 3] <- c(rep(0, 11), sample(c(1, -1), 9, replace = TRUE), rep(0, p - 20))
#
# for similar type response type setting
```

```

V[, 1] <- c(rep(0, 8), sample(c(1, -1), 8,
  replace =
    TRUE
) * runif(8, 0.3, 1), rep(0, q - 16))
V[, 2] <- c(rep(0, 20), sample(c(1, -1), 8,
  replace =
    TRUE
) * runif(8, 0.3, 1), rep(0, q - 28))
V[, 3] <- c(
  sample(c(1, -1), 5, replace = TRUE) * runif(5, 0.3, 1), rep(0, 23),
  sample(c(1, -1), 2, replace = TRUE) * runif(2, 0.3, 1), rep(0, q - 30)
)
U[, 1:3] <- apply(U[, 1:3], 2, function(x) x / sqrt(sum(x^2)))
V[, 1:3] <- apply(V[, 1:3], 2, function(x) x / sqrt(sum(x^2)))
#
D <- s * c(4, 6, 5) # signal strength varies as per the value of s
or <- order(D, decreasing = TRUE)
U <- U[, or]
V <- V[, or]
D <- D[or]
C <- U %*% (D * t(V)) # simulated coefficient matrix
intercept <- rep(0.5, q) # specifying intercept to the model:
C0 <- rbind(intercept, C)
#
Xsigma <- 0.5^abs(outer(1:p, 1:p, FUN = "-"))
# Simulated data
sim.sample <- nbfar_sim(U, D, V, n, Xsigma, C0, disp = 3, depth = 10) # Simulated sample
# Dispersion parameter
X <- sim.sample$X[1:n, ]
Y <- sim.sample$Y[1:n, ]
X0 <- cbind(1, X) # 1st column accounting for intercept

# Model with known offset
set.seed(1234)
offset <- log(10)*matrix(1,n,q)
control_nbfar <- nbfar_control(initmaxit = 5000, gamma0 = 2, spU = 0.5,
spV = 0.6, lamMinFac = 1e-10, epsilon = 1e-5)
# nbfar_test <- nbfar(Y, X, maxrank = 5, nlambdas = 20, cIndex = NULL,
# offset = offset, control = control_nbfar, nfold = 5, PATH = F)

```

nbfar_control

Control parameters for NBFAR and NBRRR

Description

Default value for a list of control parameters that are used to estimate the parameters of negative binomial co-sparse factor regression (NBFAR) and negative binomial reduced rank regression (NBRRR).

Usage

```
nbfar_control(
  maxit = 5000,
  epsilon = 1e-07,
  elnetAlpha = 0.95,
  gamma0 = 1,
  spU = 0.5,
  spV = 0.5,
  lamMaxFac = 1,
  lamMinFac = 1e-06,
  initmaxit = 10000,
  initepsilon = 1e-08,
  objI = 0
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------|---|
| maxit | maximum iteration for each sequential steps |
| epsilon | tolerance value required for convergence of inner loop in GCURE |
| elnetAlpha | elastic net penalty parameter |
| gamma0 | power parameter for generating the adaptive weights |
| spU | maximum proportion of nonzero elements in each column of U |
| spV | maximum proportion of nonzero elements in each column of V |
| lamMaxFac | a multiplier of the computed maximum value (lambda_max) of the tuning parameter |
| lamMinFac | a multiplier to determine lambda_min as a fraction of lambda_max |
| initmaxit | maximum iteration for minimizing the objective function while computing the initial estimates of the model parameter |
| initepsilon | tolerance value required for the convergence of the objective function while computing the initial estimates of the model parameter |
| objI | 1 or 0 to indicate that the convergence will be on the basis of objective function or not |

Value

a list of controlling parameter.

References

Mishra, A., Müller, C. (2022) *Negative binomial factor regression models with application to microbiome data analysis*. <https://doi.org/10.1101/2021.11.29.470304>

Examples

```
control <- nbfar_control()
```

nbfar_sim

*Simulated data for testing NBFAR and NBRRR model***Description**

Simulate response and covariates for multivariate negative binomial regression with a low-rank and sparse coefficient matrix. Coefficient matrix is expressed in terms of U (left singular vector), D (singular values) and V (right singular vector).

Usage

```
nbfar_sim(U, D, V, n, Xsigma, C0, disp, depth)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|---|
| U | specified value of U |
| D | specified value of D |
| V | specified value of V |
| n | sample size |
| $Xsigma$ | covariance matrix used to generate predictors in X |
| $C0$ | intercept value in the coefficient matrix |
| $disp$ | dispersion parameter of the generative model |
| $depth$ | log of the sequencing depth of the microbiome data (used as an offset in the simulated multivariate negative binomial regression model) |

Value

| | |
|-----|----------------------------|
| Y | Generated response matrix |
| X | Generated predictor matrix |

References

Mishra, A., Müller, C. (2022) *Negative binomial factor regression models with application to microbiome data analysis*. <https://doi.org/10.1101/2021.11.29.470304>

Examples

```
## Model specification:
SD <- 123
set.seed(SD)
p <- 100; n <- 200
pz <- 0
nrank <- 3           # true rank
rank.est <- 5       # estimated rank
nlam <- 20          # number of tuning parameter
s = 0.5
```

```

q <- 30
control <- nbfar_control() # control parameters
#
#
## Generate data
D <- rep(0, nrank)
V <- matrix(0, ncol = nrank, nrow = q)
U <- matrix(0, ncol = nrank, nrow = p)
#
U[, 1] <- c(sample(c(1, -1), 8, replace = TRUE), rep(0, p - 8))
U[, 2] <- c(rep(0, 5), sample(c(1, -1), 9, replace = TRUE), rep(0, p - 14))
U[, 3] <- c(rep(0, 11), sample(c(1, -1), 9, replace = TRUE), rep(0, p - 20))
#
# for similar type response type setting
V[, 1] <- c(rep(0, 8), sample(c(1, -1), 8,
  replace =
  TRUE
) * runif(8, 0.3, 1), rep(0, q - 16))
V[, 2] <- c(rep(0, 20), sample(c(1, -1), 8,
  replace =
  TRUE
) * runif(8, 0.3, 1), rep(0, q - 28))
V[, 3] <- c(
  sample(c(1, -1), 5, replace = TRUE) * runif(5, 0.3, 1), rep(0, 23),
  sample(c(1, -1), 2, replace = TRUE) * runif(2, 0.3, 1), rep(0, q - 30)
)
U[, 1:3] <- apply(U[, 1:3], 2, function(x) x / sqrt(sum(x^2)))
V[, 1:3] <- apply(V[, 1:3], 2, function(x) x / sqrt(sum(x^2)))
#
D <- s * c(4, 6, 5) # signal strength varries as per the value of s
or <- order(D, decreasing = TRUE)
U <- U[, or]
V <- V[, or]
D <- D[or]
C <- U %*% (D * t(V)) # simulated coefficient matrix
intercept <- rep(0.5, q) # specifying intercept to the model:
C0 <- rbind(intercept, C)
#
Xsigma <- 0.5^abs(outer(1:p, 1:p, FUN = "-"))
# Simulated data
sim.sample <- nbfar_sim(U, D, V, n, Xsigma, C0, disp = 3, depth = 10) # Simulated sample
# Dispersion parameter
X <- sim.sample$X[1:n, ]
Y <- sim.sample$Y[1:n, ]

```

Description

In the range of 1 to maxrank, the estimation procedure selects the rank r of the coefficient matrix using a cross-validation approach. For the selected rank, a rank r coefficient matrix is estimated that best fits the observations.

Usage

```
nbrrr(
  Yt,
  X,
  maxrank = 10,
  cIndex = NULL,
  ofset = NULL,
  control = list(),
  nfold = 5,
  trace = FALSE,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------|---|
| Yt | response matrix |
| X | design matrix; when $X = \text{NULL}$, we set X as identity matrix and perform generalized PCA. |
| maxrank | an integer specifying the maximum possible rank of the coefficient matrix or the number of factors |
| cIndex | specify index of control variable in the design matrix X |
| ofset | offset matrix or microbiome data analysis specific scaling: common sum scaling = CSS (default), total sum scaling = TSS, median-ratio scaling = MRS, centered-log-ratio scaling = CLR |
| control | a list of internal parameters controlling the model fitting |
| nfold | number of folds in k-fold crossvalidation |
| trace | TRUE/FALSE checking progress of cross validation error |
| verbose | TRUE/FALSE checking progress of estimation procedure |

Value

| | |
|-----|---|
| C | estimated coefficient matrix |
| Z | estimated control variable coefficient matrix |
| PHI | estimated dispersion parameters |
| U | estimated U matrix (generalize latent factor weights) |
| D | estimated singular values |
| V | estimated V matrix (factor loadings) |

References

Mishra, A., Müller, C. (2022) *Negative binomial factor regression models with application to microbiome data analysis*. <https://doi.org/10.1101/2021.11.29.470304>

Examples

```
## Model specification:
SD <- 123
set.seed(SD)
p <- 50; n <- 200
pz <- 0
nrank <- 3           # true rank
rank.est <- 5        # estimated rank
nlam <- 20           # number of tuning parameter
s = 0.5
q <- 30
control <- nbfar_control() # control parameters
#
#
## Generate data
D <- rep(0, nrank)
V <- matrix(0, ncol = nrank, nrow = q)
U <- matrix(0, ncol = nrank, nrow = p)
#
U[, 1] <- c(sample(c(1, -1), 8, replace = TRUE), rep(0, p - 8))
U[, 2] <- c(rep(0, 5), sample(c(1, -1), 9, replace = TRUE), rep(0, p - 14))
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  replace =
  TRUE
) * runif(8, 0.3, 1), rep(0, q - 28))
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  sample(c(1, -1), 2, replace = TRUE) * runif(2, 0.3, 1), rep(0, q - 30)
)
U[, 1:3] <- apply(U[, 1:3], 2, function(x) x / sqrt(sum(x^2)))
V[, 1:3] <- apply(V[, 1:3], 2, function(x) x / sqrt(sum(x^2)))
#
D <- s * c(4, 6, 5) # signal strength varries as per the value of s
or <- order(D, decreasing = TRUE)
U <- U[, or]
V <- V[, or]
D <- D[or]
C <- U %*% (D * t(V)) # simulated coefficient matrix
intercept <- rep(0.5, q) # specifying intercept to the model:
```

```
C0 <- rbind(intercept, C)
#
Xsigma <- 0.5^abs(outer(1:p, 1:p, FUN = "-"))
# Simulated data
sim.sample <- nbfar_sim(U, D, V, n, Xsigma, C0, disp = 3, depth = 10) # Simulated sample
# Dispersion parameter
X <- sim.sample$X[1:n, ]
Y <- sim.sample$Y[1:n, ]
X0 <- cbind(1, X) # 1st column accounting for intercept

# Model with known offset
set.seed(1234)
offset <- log(10)*matrix(1,n,q)
control_nbrr <- nbfar_control(initmaxit = 5000, initepsilon = 1e-4)
# nbrrr_test <- nbrrr(Y, X, maxrank = 5, cIndex = NULL, ofset = offset,
# control = control_nbrr, nfold = 5)
```

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