

Package ‘dipw’

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Type Package

Title Debiased Inverse Propensity Score Weighting

Description Estimation of the average treatment effect when controlling for high-dimensional confounders using debiased inverse propensity score weighting (DIPW). DIPW relies on the propensity score following a sparse logistic regression model, but the regression curves are not required to be estimable. Despite this, our package also allows the users to estimate the regression curves and take the estimated curves as input to our methods. Details of the methodology can be found in Yuhao Wang and Rajen D. Shah (2020) ``Debiased Inverse Propensity Score Weighting for Estimation of Average Treatment Effects with High-Dimensional Confounders" <[doi:10.48550/arXiv.2011.08661](https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2011.08661)>. The package relies on the optimisation software 'MOSEK' <<https://www.mosek.com/>> which must be installed separately; see the documentation for 'Rmosek'.

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dipw.ate	<i>Estimate the Average treatment effect $E[Y(1) - Y(0)]$ from observational data</i>
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Description

Estimate the Average treatment effect $E[Y(1) - Y(0)]$ from observational data

Usage

```
dipw.ate(
  X,
  Y,
  W,
  r1 = NULL,
  r0 = NULL,
  kappa = 0.5,
  splitting = c("1", "3", "random"),
  B = 1,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

X	the n by p input covariance matrix
Y	the n dimensional observed response
W	the n dimensional binary vector indicating treatment assignment
r1	optional n dimensional vector of an initial estimate of $E[Y(1) X_i]$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$. The default is NULL
r0	optional n dimensional vector of an initial estimate of $E[Y(0) X_i]$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$. The default is NULL
kappa	the weight parameter for quadratic programming. Default is 0.5
splitting	the options for splitting. "1" means B = 1 split, "3" means B = 3 splits, "random" means random splits.
B	the number of iterations for random splits, the default is 1. Only used when splitting is set to "random".
...	additional arguments that can be passed to cv.glmnet

Value

tau the estimated average treatment effect

References

Wang, Y., Shah, R. D. (2020) *Debiased inverse propensity score weighting for estimation of average treatment effects with high-dimensional confounders* <https://arxiv.org/abs/2011.08661>

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Estimating average treatment effect with a toy data
# Notice that the external optimisation software \code{MOSEK}
# must be installed separately before running the example code.
# Without \code{MOSEK}, the example code is not executable.
# For how to install \code{MOSEK}, see documentation of \code{\link[Rmosek]{Rmosek}}.
set.seed(1)
n <- 100; p <- 200
X <- scale(matrix(rnorm(n*p), n, p))
W <- rbinom(n, 1, 1 / (1 + exp(-X[, 1])))
Y <- X[,1] + W * X[,2] + rnorm(n)
# Getting an estimate of average treatment effect
(est <- dipw.ate(X, Y, W))

## End(Not run)
```

dipw.mean

Estimation of $E[Y(1)]$ or $E[Y(0)]$ from observational data

Description

Estimation of $E[Y(1)]$ or $E[Y(0)]$ from observational data

Usage

```
dipw.mean(
  X,
  Y,
  W,
  Treated = TRUE,
  r = NULL,
  kappa = 0.5,
  splitting = c("1", "3", "random"),
  B = 1,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

X	the n by p input covariance matrix
Y	the n dimensional observed response
W	the n dimensional binary vector indicating treatment assignment
Treated	TRUE if we seek to estimate $E[Y(1)]$, FALSE if we instead wish to estimate $E[Y(0)]$. The default is TRUE
r	optional n dimensional vector containing initial estimates of $E[Y(\text{Treated}) X_i]$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$. The default is NULL

kappa	the weight parameter for quadratic programming. Default is 0.5
splitting	the options for splitting. "1" means B = 1 split, "3" means B = 3 splits, "random" means random splits.
B	the number of iterations for random splits, the default is 1. Only valid when splitting is set to "random".
...	additional arguments that can be passed to <code>cv.glmnet</code>

Value

the expectation $E[Y(1)]$ or $E[Y(0)]$

References

Wang, Y., Shah, R. D. (2020) *Debiased inverse propensity score weighting for estimation of average treatment effects with high-dimensional confounders* <https://arxiv.org/abs/2011.08661>

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Estimating mean of the potential outcome with a toy data
# Notice that the external optimisation software \code{MOSEK}
# must be installed separately before running the example code.
# Without \code{MOSEK}, the example code is not executable.
# For how to install \code{MOSEK}, see documentation of \code{\link[Rmosek]{Rmosek}}.
set.seed(1)
n <- 100; p <- 200
X <- scale(matrix(rnorm(n*p), n, p))
W <- rbinom(n, 1, 1 / (1 + exp(-X[, 1])))
Y <- X[,1] + W * X[,2] + rnorm(n)
# Getting an estimate of potential outcome mean
(est <- dipw.mean(X, Y, W, Treated=TRUE))

## End(Not run)
```

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