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Description

Method to extract fitted coefficients from an "ordinalNet" object.

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## S3 method for class 'ordinalNet'
coef(
  object,
  matrix = FALSE,
  whichLambda = NULL,
  criteria = c("aic", "bic"),
  ...
)
```

Arguments

`object`	An "ordinalNet" S3 object.
`matrix`	Logical. If `TRUE`, coefficient estimates are returned in matrix form. Otherwise a vector is returned.
`whichLambda`	Optional index number of the desired `lambda` within the sequence of `lambdaVals`. By default, the solution with the best AIC is returned.
`criteria`	Selects the best `lambda` value by AIC or BIC. Only used if `whichLambda=NULL`.
`...`	Not used. Additional coef arguments.

Value

The object returned depends on `matrix`.

See Also

ordinalNet

Examples

```
# See ordinalNet() documentation for examples.
```

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ordinalNet *Ordinal regression models with elastic net penalty*

Description

Fits ordinal regression models with elastic net penalty by coordinate descent. Supported model families include cumulative probability, stopping ratio, continuation ratio, and adjacent category. These families are a subset of vector glm's which belong to a model class we call the elementwise link multinomial-ordinal (ELMO) class. Each family in this class links a vector of covariates to a vector of class probabilities. Each of these families has a parallel form, which is appropriate for ordinal response data, as well as a nonparallel form that is appropriate for an unordered categorical response, or as a more flexible model for ordinal data. The parallel model has a single set of coefficients, whereas the nonparallel model has a set of coefficients for each response category except the baseline category. It is also possible to fit a model with both parallel and nonparallel terms, which we call the semi-parallel model. The semi-parallel model has the flexibility of the nonparallel model, but the elastic net penalty shrinks it toward the parallel model.

Usage

```
ordinalNet(
  x,
  y,
  alpha = 1,
  standardize = TRUE,
  penaltyFactors = NULL,
  positiveID = NULL,
  family = c("cumulative", "sratio", "cratio", "acat"),
  reverse = FALSE,
  link = c("logit", "probit", "cloglog", "cauchit"),
  customLink = NULL,
  parallelTerms = TRUE,
  nonparallelTerms = FALSE,
  parallelPenaltyFactor = 1,
  lambdaVals = NULL,
  nLambda = 20,
  lambdaMinRatio = 0.01,
  includeLambda0 = FALSE,
  alphaMin = 0.01,
  pMin = 1e-08,
```

```
  stopThresh = 1e-08,
  threshOut = 1e-08,
  threshIn = 1e-08,
  maxiterOut = 100,
  maxiterIn = 100,
  printIter = FALSE,
  printBeta = FALSE,
  warn = TRUE,
  keepTrainingData = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

x	Covariate matrix. It is recommended that categorical covariates are converted to a set of indicator variables with a variable for each category (i.e. no baseline category); otherwise the choice of baseline category will affect the model fit.
y	Response variable. Can be a factor, ordered factor, or a matrix where each row is a multinomial vector of counts. A weighted fit can be obtained using the matrix option, since the row sums are essentially observation weights. Non-integer matrix entries are allowed.
alpha	The elastic net mixing parameter, with `0 <= alpha <= 1`. `alpha=1` corresponds to the lasso penalty, and `alpha=0` corresponds to the ridge penalty.
standardize	If `standardize=TRUE`, the predictor variables are scaled to have unit variance. Coefficient estimates are returned on the original scale.
penaltyFactors	Optional nonnegative vector of penalty factors with length equal to the number of columns in `x`. If this argument is used, then the penalty for each variable is scaled by its corresponding factor. If `NULL`, the penalty factor is one for each coefficient.
positiveID	Logical vector indicating whether each coefficient should be constrained to be non-negative. If `NULL`, the default value is `FALSE` for all coefficients.
family	Specifies the type of model family. Options are "cumulative" for cumulative probability, "sratio" for stopping ratio, "cratio" for continuation ratio, and "acat" for adjacent category.
reverse	Logical. If `TRUE`, then the "backward" form of the model is fit, i.e. the model is defined with response categories in reverse order. For example, the reverse cumulative model with $K+1$ response categories applies the link function to the cumulative probabilities $P(Y \geq 2), \ldots, P(Y \geq K+1)$, rather then $P(Y \leq 1), \ldots, P(Y \leq K)$.
link	Specifies the link function. The options supported are logit, probit, complementary log-log, and cauchit. Only used if `customLink=NULL`.
customLink	Optional list containing a vectorized link function `g`, a vectorized inverse link `h`, and the Jacobian function of the inverse link `getQ`. The Jacobian should be defined as $\partial h(\eta)/\partial \eta^T$ (as opposed to the transpose of this matrix).
parallelTerms	Logical. If `TRUE`, then parallel coefficient terms will be included in the model. `parallelTerms` and `nonparallelTerms` cannot both be `FALSE`.

`nonparallelTerms`
: Logical. if `TRUE`, then nonparallel coefficient terms will be included in the model. `parallelTerms` and `nonparallelTerms` cannot both be `FALSE`.

`parallelPenaltyFactor`
: Nonnegative numeric value equal to one by default. The penalty on all parallel terms is scaled by this factor (as well as variable-specific `penaltyFactors`). Only used if `parallelTerms=TRUE`.

`lambdaVals`
: An optional user-specified lambda sequence (vector). If `NULL`, a sequence will be generated based on `nLambda` and `lambdaMinRatio`. In this case, the maximum lambda is the smallest value that sets all penalized coefficients to zero, and the minimum lambda is the maximum value multiplied by the factor `lambdaMinRatio`.

`nLambda`
: Positive integer. The number of lambda values in the solution path. Only used if `lambdaVals=NULL`.

`lambdaMinRatio`
: A factor greater than zero and less than one. Only used if `lambdaVals=NULL`.

`includeLambda0`
: Logical. If `TRUE`, then zero is added to the end of the sequence of `lambdaVals`. This is not done by default because it can significantly increase computational time. An unpenalized saturated model may have infinite coefficient solutions, in which case the fitting algorithm will still terminate when the relative change in log-likelihood becomes small. Only used if `lambdaVals=NULL`.

`alphaMin`
: `max(alpha, alphaMin)` is used to calculate the starting lambda value when `lambdaVals=NULL`. In this case, the default lambda sequence begins with the smallest lambda value such that all penalized coefficients are set to zero (i.e. the value where the first penalized coefficient enters the solution path). The purpose of this argument is to help select a starting value for the lambda sequence when `alpha = 0`, because otherwise it would be infinite. Note that `alphaMin` is only used to determine the default lamba sequence and that the model is always fit using `alpha` to calculate the penalty.

`pMin`
: Value greater than zero, but much less than one. During the optimization routine, the Fisher information is calculated using fitted probabilities. For this calculation, fitted probabilities are capped below by this value to prevent numerical instability.

`stopThresh`
: In the relative log-likelihood change between successive lambda values falls below this threshold, then the last model fit is used for all remaining lambda.

`threshOut`
: Convergence threshold for the coordinate descent outer loop. The optimization routine terminates when the relative change in the penalized log-likelihood between successive iterations falls below this threshold. It is recommended to set `theshOut` equal to `threshIn`.

`threshIn`
: Convergence threshold for the coordinate descent inner loop. Each iteration consists of a single loop through each coefficient. The inner loop terminates when the relative change in the penalized approximate log-likelihood between successive iterations falls below this threshold. It is recommended to set `theshOut` equal to `threshIn`.

`maxiterOut`
: Maximum number of outer loop iterations.

`maxiterIn`
: Maximum number of inner loop iterations.

`printIter`
: Logical. If `TRUE`, the optimization routine progress is printed to the terminal.

`printBeta` Logical. If `TRUE`, coefficient estimates are printed after each coordinate descent outer loop iteration.

`warn` Logical. If `TRUE`, the following warning message is displayed when fitting a cumulative probability model with `nonparallelTerms=TRUE` (i.e. nonparallel or semi-parallel model). "Warning message: For out-of-sample data, the cumulative probability model with nonparallelTerms=TRUE may predict cumulative probabilities that are not monotone increasing." The warning is displayed by default, but the user may wish to disable it.

`keepTrainingData` Logical. If `TRUE`, then `x` and `y` are saved with the returned "ordinalNet" object. This allows `predict.ordinalNet` to return fitted values for the training data without passing a `newx` argument.

Details

The `ordinalNet` function fits regression models for a categorical response variable with $K+1$ levels. Conditional on the covariate vector x_i (the i^{th} row of `x`), each observation has a vector of $K+1$ class probabilities $(p_{i1}, \ldots, p_{i(K+1)})$. These probabilities sum to one, and can therefore be parametrized by $p_i = (p_{i1}, \ldots, p_{iK})$. The probabilities are mapped to a set of K quantities $\delta_i = (\delta_{i1}, \ldots, \delta_{iK}) \in (0,1)^K$, which depends on the choice of model `family`. The elementwise `link` function maps δ_i to a set of K linear predictors. Together, the `family` and `link` specifiy a link function between p_i and η_i.

Model families:

Let Y denote the random response variable for a single observation, conditional on the covariates values of the observation. The random variable Y is discrete with support $\{1, \ldots, K+1\}$. The following model families are defined according to these mappings between the class probabilities and the values $\delta_1, \ldots, \delta_K$:

Cumulative probability $\delta_j = P(Y \leq j)$

Reverse cumulative probability $\delta_j = P(Y \geq j+1)$

Stopping ratio $\delta_j = P(Y = j | Y \geq j)$

Reverse stopping ratio $\delta_j = P(Y = j+1 | Y \leq j+1)$

Continuation ratio $\delta_j = P(Y > j | Y \geq j)$

Reverse continuation ratio $\delta_j = P(Y < j | Y \leq j)$

Adjacent category $\delta_j = P(Y = j+1 | j \leq Y \leq j+1)$

Reverse adjacent category $\delta_j = P(Y = j | j \leq Y \leq j+1)$

Parallel, nonparallel, and semi-parallel model forms:

Models within each of these families can take one of three forms, which have different definitions for the linear predictor η_i. Suppose each x_i has length P. Let b be a length P vector of regression coefficients. Let B be a $P \times K$ matrix of regression coefficient. Let b_0 be a vector of K intercept terms. The three model forms are the following:

Parallel $\eta_i = b_0 + b^T x_i$ (`parallelTerms=TRUE`, `nonparallelTerms=FALSE`)

Nonparallel $\eta_i = b_0 + B^T x_i$ (`parallelTerms=FALSE`, `nonparallelTerms=TRUE`)

Semi-parallel $\eta_i = b_0 + b^T x_i + B^T x_i$ (`parallelTerms=TRUE`, `nonparallelTerms=TRUE`)

The parallel form has the defining property of ordinal models, which is that a single linear combination $b^T x_i$ shifts the cumulative class probabilities $P(Y \leq j)$ in favor of either higher or lower categories. The linear predictors are parallel because they only differ by their intercepts (b_0). The nonparallel form is a more flexible model, and it does not shift the cumulative probabilities together. The semi-parallel model is equivalent to the nonparallel model, but the elastic net penalty shrinks the semi-parallel coefficients toward a common value (i.e. the parallel model), as well as shrinking all coefficients toward zero. The nonparallel model, on the other hand, simply shrinks all coefficients toward zero. When the response categories are ordinal, any of the three model forms could be applied. When the response categories are unordered, only the nonparallel model is appropriate.

Elastic net penalty:

The elastic net penalty is defined for each model form as follows. λ and α are the usual elastic net tuning parameters, where λ determines the degree to which coefficients are shrunk toward zero, and α specifies the amount of weight given to the L1 norm and squared L2 norm penalties. Each covariate is allowed a unique penalty factor c_j, which is specified with the `penaltyFactors` argument. By default $c_j = 1$ for all j. The semi-parallel model has a tuning parameter ρ which determines the degree to which the parallel coefficients are penalized. Small values of ρ will result in a fit closer to the parallel model, and large values of ρ will result in a fit closer to the nonparallel model.

Parallel $\lambda \sum_{j=1}^{P} c_j \{\alpha |b_j| + \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha) b_j^2\}$

Nonparallel $\lambda \sum_{j=1}^{P} c_j \{\sum_{k=1}^{K} \alpha |B_{jk}| + \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha) B_{jk}^2\}$

Semi-parallel $\lambda [\rho \sum_{j=1}^{P} c_j \{\alpha |b_j| + \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha) b_j^2\} + \sum_{j=1}^{P} c_j \{\sum_{k=1}^{K} \alpha |B_{jk}| + \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha) B_{jk}^2\}]$

`ordinalNet` minimizes the following objective function. Let N be the number of observations, which is defined as the sum of the `y` elements when `y` is a matrix.

$$objective = -1/N * loglik + penalty$$

Value

An object with S3 class "ordinalNet". Model fit information can be accessed through the `coef`, `predict`, and `summary` methods.

coefs Matrix of coefficient estimates, with each row corresponding to a lambda value. (If covariates were scaled with `standardize=TRUE`, the coefficients are returned on the original scale).

lambdaVals Sequence of lambda values. If user passed a sequence to the `lambdaVals`, then it is this sequence. If `lambdaVals` argument was `NULL`, then it is the sequence generated.

loglik Log-likelihood of each model fit.

nNonzero Number of nonzero coefficients of each model fit, including intercepts.

aic AIC, defined as `-2*loglik + 2*nNonzero`.

bic BIC, defined as `-2*loglik + log(N)*nNonzero`.

devPct Percentage deviance explained, defined as $1 - loglik/loglik_0$, where $loglik_0$ is the log-likelihood of the null model.

iterOut Number of coordinate descent outer loop iterations until convergence for each lambda value.

iterIn Number of coordinate descent inner loop iterations on last outer loop for each lambda value.

dif Relative improvement in objective function on last outer loop for each lambda value. Can be used to diagnose convergence issues. If `iterOut` reached `maxiterOut` and `dif` is large, then `maxiterOut` should be increased. If `dif` is negative, this means the objective did not improve between successive iterations. This usually only occurs when the model is saturated and/or close to convergence, so a small negative value is not of concern. (When this happens, the algorithm is terminated for the current lambda value, and the coefficient estimates from the previous outer loop iteration are returned.)

nLev Number of response categories.

nVar Number of covariates in `x`.

xNames Covariate names.

args List of arguments passed to the `ordinalNet` function.

Examples

```
# Simulate x as independent standard normal
# Simulate y|x from a parallel cumulative logit (proportional odds) model
set.seed(1)
n <- 50
intercepts <- c(-1, 1)
beta <- c(1, 1, 0, 0, 0)
ncat <- length(intercepts) + 1  # number of response categories
p <- length(beta)  # number of covariates
x <- matrix(rnorm(n*p), ncol=p)  # n x p covariate matrix
eta <- c(x %*% beta) + matrix(intercepts, nrow=n, ncol=ncat-1, byrow=TRUE)
invlogit <- function(x) 1 / (1+exp(-x))
cumprob <- t(apply(eta, 1, invlogit))
prob <- cbind(cumprob, 1) - cbind(0, cumprob)
yint <- apply(prob, 1, function(p) sample(1:ncat, size=1, prob=p))
y <- as.factor(yint)

# Fit parallel cumulative logit model
fit1 <- ordinalNet(x, y, family="cumulative", link="logit",
                   parallelTerms=TRUE, nonparallelTerms=FALSE)
summary(fit1)
coef(fit1)
coef(fit1, matrix=TRUE)
predict(fit1, type="response")
predict(fit1, type="class")

# Fit nonparallel cumulative logit model
fit2 <- ordinalNet(x, y, family="cumulative", link="logit",
                   parallelTerms=FALSE, nonparallelTerms=TRUE)
fit2
coef(fit2)
coef(fit2, matrix=TRUE)
predict(fit2, type="response")
predict(fit2, type="class")

# Fit semi-parallel cumulative logit model (with both parallel and nonparallel terms)
fit3 <- ordinalNet(x, y, family="cumulative", link="logit",
                   parallelTerms=TRUE, nonparallelTerms=TRUE)
```

```
fit3
coef(fit3)
coef(fit3, matrix=TRUE)
predict(fit3, type="response")
predict(fit3, type="class")
```

`ordinalNetCV` *Uses K-fold cross validation to obtain out-of-sample log-likelihood and misclassification rates. Lambda is tuned within each cross validation fold.*

Description

The data is divided into K folds. `ordinalNet` is fit K times, each time leaving out one fold as a test set. For each of the K model fits, lambda can be tuned by AIC or BIC, or cross validation. If cross validation is used, the user can choose whether to user the best average out-of-sample log-likelihood, misclassification rate, Brier score, or percentage of deviance explained. The user can also choose the number of cross validation folds to use for tuning. Once the model is tuned, the out of sample log-likelihood, misclassification rate, Brier score, and percentage of deviance explained are calculated on the held out test set.

Usage

```
ordinalNetCV(
  x,
  y,
  lambdaVals = NULL,
  folds = NULL,
  nFolds = 5,
  nFoldsCV = 5,
  tuneMethod = c("cvLoglik", "cvMisclass", "cvBrier", "cvDevPct", "aic", "bic"),
  printProgress = TRUE,
  warn = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

`x`	Covariate matrix.
`y`	Response variable. Can be a factor, ordered factor, or a matrix where each row is a multinomial vector of counts. A weighted fit can be obtained using the matrix option, since the row sums are essentially observation weights. Non-integer matrix entries are allowed.
`lambdaVals`	An optional user-specified lambda sequence (vector). If `NULL`, a sequence will be generated using the model fit to the full training data. This default sequence is based on `nLambda` and `lambdaMinRatio`, which can be passed as

additional arguments (otherwise ordinalNet default values are used). The maximum lambda is the smallest value that sets all penalized coefficients to zero, and the minimum lambda is the maximum value multiplied by the factor lambdaMinRatio.

folds — An optional list, where each element is a vector of row indices corresponding to a different cross validation fold. Indices correspond to rows of the x matrix. Each index number should be used in exactly one fold. If NULL, the data will be randomly divided into equally-sized partitions. It is recommended to call set.seed before calling ordinalNetCV for reproducibility.

nFolds — Numer of cross validation folds. Only used if folds=NULL.

nFoldsCV — Number of cross validation folds used to tune lambda for each training set (i.e. within each training fold). Only used of tuneMethod is "cvLoglik", "cvMisclass", "cvBrier", or "cvDevPct.

tuneMethod — Method used to tune lambda for each training set (ie. within each training fold). The "cvLoglik", "cvMisclass", "cvBrier", and "cvDevPct" methods use cross validation with nFoldsCV folds and select the lambda value with the best average out-of-sample performance. The "aic" and "bic" methods are less computationally intensive because they do not require the model to be fit multiple times. Note that for the methods that require cross validation, the fold splits are determined randomly and cannot be specified by the user. The set.seed() function should be called prior to ordinalNetCV for reproducibility.

printProgress — Logical. If TRUE the fitting progress is printed to the terminal.

warn — Logical. If TRUE, the following warning message is displayed when fitting a cumulative probability model with nonparallelTerms=TRUE (i.e. nonparallel or semi-parallel model). "Warning message: For out-of-sample data, the cumulative probability model with nonparallelTerms=TRUE may predict cumulative probabilities that are not monotone increasing." The warning is displayed by default, but the user may wish to disable it.

... — Other arguments (besides x, y, lambdaVals, and warn) passed to ordinalNet.

Details

- The fold partition splits can be passed by the user via the folds argument. By default, the data are randomly divided into equally-sized partitions. Note that if lambda is tuned by cross validation, the fold splits are determined randomly and cannot be specified by the user. The set.seed function should be called prior to ordinalNetCV for reproducibility.
- A sequence of lambda values can be passed by the user via the lambdaVals argument. By default, the sequence is generated by first fitting the model to the full data set (this sequence is determined by the nLambda and lambdaMinRatio arguments of ordinalNet).
- The standardize argument of ordinalNet can be modified through the additional arguments (...). If standardize=TRUE, then the data are scaled within each cross validation fold. If standardize=TRUE and lambda is tuned by cross validation, then the data are also scaled within each tuning sub-fold. This is done because scaling is part of the statistical procedure and should be repeated each time the procedure is applied.

Value

An S3 object of class "ordinalNetCV", which contains the following:

loglik Vector of out-of-sample log-likelihood values. Each value corresponds to a different fold.

misclass Vector of out-of-sample misclassificaton rates. Each value corresponds to a different fold.

brier Vector of out-of-sample Brier scores. Each value corresponds to a different fold.

devPct Vector of out-of-sample percentages of deviance explained. Each value corresponds to a different fold.

bestLambdaIndex The index of the value within the lambda sequence selected for each fold by the tuning method.

lambdaVals The sequence of lambda values used for all cross validation folds.

folds A list containing the index numbers of each fold.

fit An object of class "ordinalNet", resulting from fitting `ordinalNet` to the entire dataset.

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Simulate x as independent standard normal
# Simulate y|x from a parallel cumulative logit (proportional odds) model
set.seed(1)
n <- 50
intercepts <- c(-1, 1)
beta <- c(1, 1, 0, 0, 0)
ncat <- length(intercepts) + 1  # number of response categories
p <- length(beta)  # number of covariates
x <- matrix(rnorm(n*p), ncol=p)  # n x p covariate matrix
eta <- c(x %*% beta) + matrix(intercepts, nrow=n, ncol=ncat-1, byrow=TRUE)
invlogit <- function(x) 1 / (1+exp(-x))
cumprob <- t(apply(eta, 1, invlogit))
prob <- cbind(cumprob, 1) - cbind(0, cumprob)
yint <- apply(prob, 1, function(p) sample(1:ncat, size=1, prob=p))
y <- as.factor(yint)

# Evaluate out-of-sample performance of the  cumulative logit model
# when lambda is tuned by cross validation (best average out-of-sample log-likelihood)
cv <- ordinalNetCV(x, y, tuneMethod="cvLoglik")
summary(cv)

## End(Not run)
```

`ordinalNetTune` *Uses K-fold cross validation to obtain out-of-sample log-likelihood and misclassification rates for a sequence of lambda values.*

Description

The data is divided into K folds. `ordinalNet` is fit K times (`K=nFolds`), each time leaving out one fold as a test set. The same sequence of lambda values is used each time. The out-of-sample log-likelihood, misclassification rate, Brier score, and percentage of deviance explained are obtained for each lambda value from the held out test set. It is up to the user to determine how to tune the model using this information.

Usage

```
ordinalNetTune(
  x,
  y,
  lambdaVals = NULL,
  folds = NULL,
  nFolds = 5,
  printProgress = TRUE,
  warn = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

`x`	Covariate matrix.
`y`	Response variable. Can be a factor, ordered factor, or a matrix where each row is a multinomial vector of counts. A weighted fit can be obtained using the matrix option, since the row sums are essentially observation weights. Non-integer matrix entries are allowed.
`lambdaVals`	An optional user-specified lambda sequence (vector). If `NULL`, a sequence will be generated using the model fit to the full training data. This default sequence is based on `nLambda` and `lambdaMinRatio`, which can be passed as additional arguments (otherwise `ordinalNet` default values are used). The maximum lambda is the smallest value that sets all penalized coefficients to zero, and the minimum lambda is the maximum value multiplied by the factor `lambdaMinRatio`.
`folds`	An optional list, where each element is a vector of row indices corresponding to a different cross validation fold. Indices correspond to rows of the `x` matrix. Each index number should be used in exactly one fold. If `NULL`, the data will be randomly divided into equal-sized partitions. It is recommended to use `set.seed` before calling this function to make results reproducible.
`nFolds`	Numer of cross validation folds. Only used if `folds=NULL`.
`printProgress`	Logical. If `TRUE` the fitting progress is printed to the terminal.
`warn`	Logical. If `TRUE`, the following warning message is displayed when fitting a cumulative probability model with `nonparallelTerms=TRUE` (i.e. nonparallel or semi-parallel model). "Warning message: For out-of-sample data, the cumulative probability model with nonparallelTerms=TRUE may predict cumulative probabilities that are not monotone increasing." The warning is displayed by default, but the user may wish to disable it.

... Other arguments (besides x, y, lambdaVals, and warn) passed to ordinalNet.

Details

- The fold partition splits can be passed by the user via the folds argument. By default, the data are randomly divided into equally-sized partitions. The set.seed function should be called prior to ordinalNetCV for reproducibility.
- A sequence of lambda values can be passed by the user via the lambdaVals argument. By default, the sequence is generated by first fitting the model to the full data set (this sequence is determined by the nLambda and lambdaMinRatio arguments of ordinalNet).
- The standardize argument of ordinalNet can be modified through the additional arguments (...). If standardize=TRUE, then the data are scaled within each cross validation fold. This is done because scaling is part of the statistical procedure and should be repeated each time the procedure is applied.

Value

An S3 object of class "ordinalNetTune", which contains the following:

loglik Matrix of out-of-sample log-likelihood values. Each row corresponds to a lambda value, and each column corresponds to a fold.

misclass Matrix of out-of-sample misclassificaton rates. Each row corresponds to a lambda value, and each column corresponds to a fold.

brier Matrix of out-of-sample Brier scores. Each row corresponds to a lambda value, and each column corresponds to a fold.

devPct Matrix of out-of-sample percentages of deviance explained. Each row corresponds to a lambda value, and each column corresponds to a fold.

lambdaVals The sequence of lambda values used for all cross validation folds.

folds A list containing the index numbers of each fold.

fit An object of class "ordinalNet", resulting from fitting ordinalNet to the entire dataset.

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Simulate x as independent standard normal
# Simulate y|x from a parallel cumulative logit (proportional odds) model
set.seed(1)
n <- 50
intercepts <- c(-1, 1)
beta <- c(1, 1, 0, 0, 0)
ncat <- length(intercepts) + 1  # number of response categories
p <- length(beta)  # number of covariates
x <- matrix(rnorm(n*p), ncol=p)  # n x p covariate matrix
eta <- c(x %*% beta) + matrix(intercepts, nrow=n, ncol=ncat-1, byrow=TRUE)
invlogit <- function(x) 1 / (1+exp(-x))
cumprob <- t(apply(eta, 1, invlogit))
prob <- cbind(cumprob, 1) - cbind(0, cumprob)
yint <- apply(prob, 1, function(p) sample(1:ncat, size=1, prob=p))
```

```
y <- as.factor(yint)

# Fit parallel cumulative logit model; select lambda by cross validation
tunefit <- ordinalNetTune(x, y)
summary(tunefit)
plot(tunefit)
bestLambdaIndex <- which.max(rowMeans(tunefit$loglik))
coef(tunefit$fit, whichLambda=bestLambdaIndex, matrix=TRUE)
predict(tunefit$fit, whichLambda=bestLambdaIndex)

## End(Not run)
```

`plot.ordinalNetTune` *Plot method for "ordinalNetTune" object.*

Description

Plots the average out-of-sample log-likelihood, misclassification rate, Brier score, or percentage of deviance explained for each lambda value in the solution path. The averae is taken over all cross validation folds.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ordinalNetTune'
plot(x, type = c("loglik", "misclass", "brier", "devPct"), ...)
```

Arguments

`x`	An "ordinalNetTune" S3 object.
`type`	Which performance measure to plot. Either "loglik", "misclass", "brier", or "devPct".
`...`	Additional plot arguments.

See Also

`ordinalNetTune`

Examples

```
# See ordinalNetTune() documentation for examples.
```

predict.ordinalNet *Predict method for an "ordinalNet" object*

Description

Obtains predicted probabilities, predicted class, or linear predictors.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ordinalNet'
predict(
  object,
  newx = NULL,
  whichLambda = NULL,
  criteria = c("aic", "bic"),
  type = c("response", "class", "link"),
  ...
)
```

Arguments

object	An "ordinalNet" S3 object.
newx	Optional covariate matrix. If NULL, fitted values will be obtained for the training data, as long as the model was fit with the argument keepTrainingData=TRUE.
whichLambda	Optional index number of the desired lambda value within the solution path sequence.
criteria	Selects the best lambda value by AIC or BIC. Only used if whichLambda=NULL.
type	The type of prediction required. Type "response" returns a matrix of fitted probabilities. Type "class" returns a vector containing the class number with the highest fitted probability. Type "link" returns a matrix of linear predictors.
...	Not used. Additional predict arguments.

Value

The object returned depends on type.

See Also

ordinalNet

Examples

```
# See ordinalNet() documentation for examples.
```

print.ordinalNet *Print method for an "ordinalNet" object.*

Description

Prints the data frame returned by the `summary.ordinalNet()` method.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ordinalNet'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

`x`	An "ordinalNet" S3 object
`...`	Not used. Additional plot arguments.

See Also

`ordinalNet`

Examples

```
# See ordinalNet() documentation for examples.
```

print.ordinalNetCV *Print method for an "ordinalNetCV" object.*

Description

Prints the data frame returned by the `summary.ordinalNetCV()` method.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ordinalNetCV'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

`x`	An "ordinalNetCV" S3 object
`...`	Not used. Additional print arguments.

See Also

`ordinalNetCV`

Examples

```
# See ordinalNetCV() documentation for examples.
```

`print.ordinalNetTune` *Print method for an "ordinalNetTune" object.*

Description

Prints the data frame returned by the `summary.ordinalNetTune()` method.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ordinalNetTune'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

`x`	An "ordinalNetTune" S3 object.
`...`	Not used. Additional print arguments.

See Also

`ordinalNetTune`

Examples

```
# See ordinalNetTune() documentation for examples.
```

`summary.ordinalNet` *Summary method for an "ordinalNet" object.*

Description

Provides a data frame which summarizes the model fit at each lambda value in the solution path.model fit summary as a data frame.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ordinalNet'
summary(object, ...)
```

Arguments

`object`	An "ordinalNet" S3 object
`...`	Not used. Additional summary arguments.

Value

A data frame containing a record for each lambda value in the solution path. Each record contains the following fields: lambda value, degrees of freedom (number of nonzero parameters), log-likelihood, AIC, BIC, and percent deviance explained.

See Also

`ordinalNet`

Examples

```
# See ordinalNet() documentation for examples.
```

`summary.ordinalNetCV` *Summary method for an "ordinalNetCV" object.*

Description

Provides a data frame which summarizes the cross validation results, which can be used as an estimate of the out-of-sample performance of a model tuned by a particular method.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ordinalNetCV'
summary(object, ...)
```

Arguments

`object`	An "ordinalNetCV" S3 object
`...`	Not used. Additional summary arguments.

Value

A data frame containing a record for each cross validation fold. Each record contains the following: lambda value, log-likelihood, misclassification rate, Brier score, and percentage of deviance explained.

See Also

`ordinalNetCV`

Examples

```
# See ordinalNetCV() documentation for examples.
```

`summary.ordinalNetTune` *Summary method for an "ordinalNetTune" object.*

Description

Provides a data frame which summarizes the cross validation results and may be useful for selecting an appropriate value for the tuning parameter lambda.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ordinalNetTune'
summary(object, ...)
```

Arguments

`object`	An "ordinalNetTune" S3 object.
`...`	Not used. Additional summary arguments.

Value

A data frame containing a record for each lambda value in the solution path. Each record contains the following: lambda value, average log-likelihood, average misclassification rate, average Brier score, and average percentage of deviance explained. Averages are taken across all cross validation folds.

See Also

`ordinalNetTune`

Examples

```
# See ordinalNetTune() documentation for examples.
```

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