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Generalized Linear Models (GLMs) with high-dimensional k-way fixed effects

Description

Provides a routine to partial out factors with many levels during the optimization of the log-likelihood function of the corresponding GLM. The package is based on the algorithm described in Stammann (2018). It also offers an efficient algorithm to recover estimates of the fixed effects in a post-estimation routine and includes robust and multi-way clustered standard errors. Further the package provides analytical bias corrections for binary choice models derived by Fernández-Val and Wei-dner (2016) and Hinz, Stammann, and Wanner (2020). This package is a ground up rewrite with multiple refactors, optimizations, and new features compared to the original package alpaca. In its current state, the package is stable and future changes will be limited to bug fixes and improvements, but not to altering the functions' arguments or outputs.

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apes

See Also

Useful links:

- https://pacha.dev/capybara/
- https://github.com/pachadotdev/capybara
- Report bugs at https://github.com/pachadotdev/capybara/issues

apes	Compute average partial effects after fitting binary choice models with
	a 1,2,3-way error component

Description

apes is a post-estimation routine that can be used to estimate average partial effects with respect to all covariates in the model and the corresponding covariance matrix. The estimation of the covariance is based on a linear approximation (delta method) plus an optional finite population correction. Note that the command automatically determines which of the regressors are binary or non-binary.

Remark: The routine currently does not allow to compute average partial effects based on functional forms like interactions and polynomials.

Usage

```
apes(
   object = NULL,
   n_pop = NULL,
   panel_structure = c("classic", "network"),
   sampling_fe = c("independence", "unrestricted"),
   weak_exo = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

object	an object of class "bias_corr" or "feglm"; currently restricted to binomial.
n_pop	unsigned integer indicating a finite population correction for the estimation of the covariance matrix of the average partial effects proposed by Cruz-Gonzalez, Fernández-Val, and Weidner (2017). The correction factor is computed as follows: $(n^* - n)/(n^* - 1)$, where n^* and n are the sizes of the entire population and the full sample size. Default is NULL, which refers to a factor of zero and a covariance obtained by the delta method.

panel_structure

a string equal to "classic" or "network" which determines the structure of the panel used. "classic" denotes panel structures where for example the same cross-sectional units are observed several times (this includes pseudo panels). "network" denotes panel structures where for example bilateral trade flows are observed for several time periods. Default is "classic".

sampling_fe	a string equal to "independence" or "unrestricted" which imposes sampling assumptions about the unobserved effects. "independence" imposes that all un- observed effects are independent sequences. "unrestricted" does not impose any sampling assumptions. Note that this option only affects the optional finite population correction. Default is "independence".
weak_exo	logical indicating if some of the regressors are assumed to be weakly exoge- nous (e.g. predetermined). If object is of class "bias_corr", the option will be automatically set to TRUE if the chosen bandwidth parameter is larger than zero. Note that this option only affects the estimation of the covariance matrix. Default is FALSE, which assumes that all regressors are strictly exogenous.

Value

The function apes returns a named list of class "apes".

References

Cruz-Gonzalez, M., I. Fernández-Val, and M. Weidner (2017). "Bias corrections for probit and logit models with two-way fixed effects". The Stata Journal, 17(3), 517-545.

Czarnowske, D. and A. Stammann (2020). "Fixed Effects Binary Choice Models: Estimation and Inference with Long Panels". ArXiv e-prints.

Fernández-Val, I. and M. Weidner (2016). "Individual and time effects in nonlinear panel models with large N, T". Journal of Econometrics, 192(1), 291-312.

Fernández-Val, I. and M. Weidner (2018). "Fixed effects estimation of large-t panel data models". Annual Review of Economics, 10, 109-138.

Hinz, J., A. Stammann, and J. Wanner (2020). "State Dependence and Unobserved Heterogeneity in the Extensive Margin of Trade". ArXiv e-prints.

Neyman, J. and E. L. Scott (1948). "Consistent estimates based on partially consistent observations". Econometrica, 16(1), 1-32.

See Also

bias_corr, feglm

```
mtcars2 <- mtcars
mtcars2$mpg01 <- ifelse(mtcars2$mpg > mean(mtcars2$mpg), 1L, 0L)
# Fit 'feglm()'
mod <- feglm(mpg01 ~ wt | cyl, mtcars2, family = binomial())</pre>
```

```
# Compute average partial effects
mod_ape <- apes(mod)
summary(mod_ape)</pre>
```

```
# Apply analytical bias correction
mod_bc <- bias_corr(mod)
summary(mod_bc)</pre>
```

```
# Compute bias-corrected average partial effects
mod_ape_bc <- apes(mod_bc)
summary(mod_ape_bc)</pre>
```

augment.feglm Broom Integration

Description

The provided broom methods do the following:

- 1. augment: Takes the input data and adds additional columns with the fitted values and residuals.
- 2. glance: Extracts the deviance, null deviance, and the number of observations.
- 3. tidy: Extracts the estimated coefficients and their standard errors.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'feglm'
augment(x, newdata = NULL, ...)
## S3 method for class 'felm'
augment(x, newdata = NULL, ...)
## S3 method for class 'feglm'
glance(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'felm'
glance(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'feglm'
tidy(x, conf_int = FALSE, conf_level = 0.95, ...)
## S3 method for class 'felm'
tidy(x, conf_int = FALSE, conf_level = 0.95, ...)
```

Arguments

х	A fitted model object.
newdata	Optional argument to use data different from the data used to fit the model.
	Additional arguments passed to the method.
conf_int	Logical indicating whether to include the confidence interval.
conf_level	The confidence level for the confidence interval.

Value

A tibble with the respective information for the augment, glance, and tidy methods.

Examples

```
mod <- fepoisson(mpg ~ wt | cyl, mtcars)
broom::augment(mod)
broom::glance(mod)
broom::tidy(mod)</pre>
```

autoplot.feglm Autoplot method for feglm objects

Description

Extracts the estimated coefficients and their confidence intervals.

Extracts the estimated coefficients and their confidence

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'feglm'
autoplot(object, ...)
## S3 method for class 'felm'
autoplot(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object	A fitted model object.
	Additional arguments passed to the method. In this case, the additional argument is conf_level, which is the confidence level for the confidence interval.

Value

A ggplot object with the estimated coefficients and their confidence intervals.

A ggplot object with the estimated coefficients and their confidence intervals.

```
mod <- fepoisson(mpg ~ wt + drat | cyl, mtcars)
autoplot(mod, conf_level = 0.99)
mod <- felm(mpg ~ wt + drat | cyl, mtcars)
autoplot(mod, conf_level = 0.90)</pre>
```

bias_corr

Asymptotic bias correction after fitting binary choice models with a 1,2,3-way error component

Description

Post-estimation routine to substantially reduce the incidental parameter bias problem. Applies the analytical bias correction derived by Fernández-Val and Weidner (2016) and Hinz, Stammann, and Wanner (2020) to obtain bias-corrected estimates of the structural parameters and is currently restricted to binomial with 1,2,3-way fixed effects.

Usage

```
bias_corr(object = NULL, l = 0L, panel_structure = c("classic", "network"))
```

Arguments

object	an object of class "feglm".	
1	unsigned integer indicating a bandwidth for the estimation of spectral densities proposed by Hahn and Kuersteiner (2011). The default is zero, which should be used if all regressors are assumed to be strictly exogenous with respect to the idiosyncratic error term. In the presence of weakly exogenous regressors, e.g. lagged outcome variables, we suggest to choose a bandwidth between one and four. Note that the order of factors to be partialed out is important for bandwidths larger than zero.	
panel_structure		
	a string equal to "classic" or "network" which determines the structure of the panel used. "classic" denotes panel structures where for example the same cross-sectional units are observed several times (this includes pseudo panels). "network" denotes panel structures where for example bilateral trade flows are	

Value

A named list of classes "bias_corr" and "feglm".

References

Czarnowske, D. and A. Stammann (2020). "Fixed Effects Binary Choice Models: Estimation and Inference with Long Panels". ArXiv e-prints.

observed for several time periods. Default is "classic".

Fernández-Val, I. and M. Weidner (2016). "Individual and time effects in nonlinear panel models with large N, T". Journal of Econometrics, 192(1), 291-312.

Fernández-Val, I. and M. Weidner (2018). "Fixed effects estimation of large-t panel data models". Annual Review of Economics, 10, 109-138.

Hahn, J. and G. Kuersteiner (2011). "Bias reduction for dynamic nonlinear panel models with fixed effects". Econometric Theory, 27(6), 1152-1191.

Hinz, J., A. Stammann, and J. Wanner (2020). "State Dependence and Unobserved Heterogeneity in the Extensive Margin of Trade". ArXiv e-prints.

Neyman, J. and E. L. Scott (1948). "Consistent estimates based on partially consistent observations". Econometrica, 16(1), 1-32.

See Also

feglm

Examples

```
mtcars2 <- mtcars
mtcars2$mpg01 <- ifelse(mtcars2$mpg > mean(mtcars2$mpg), 1L, 0L)
# Fit 'feglm()'
mod <- feglm(mpg01 ~ wt | cyl, mtcars2, family = binomial())
# Apply analytical bias correction
mod_bc <- bias_corr(mod)
summary(mod_bc)</pre>
```

feglm

GLM fitting with high-dimensional k-way fixed effects

Description

feglm can be used to fit generalized linear models with many high-dimensional fixed effects. The estimation procedure is based on unconditional maximum likelihood and can be interpreted as a "weighted demeaning" approach.

Remark: The term fixed effect is used in econometrician's sense of having intercepts for each level in each category.

Usage

```
feglm(
  formula = NULL,
  data = NULL,
  family = gaussian(),
  weights = NULL,
  beta_start = NULL,
  eta_start = NULL,
  control = NULL
)
```

feglm

Arguments

formula	an object of class "formula": a symbolic description of the model to be fitted. formula must be of type $y \sim x \mid k$, where the second part of the formula refers to factors to be concentrated out. It is also possible to pass clustering variables to feglm as $y \sim x \mid k \mid c$.
data	an object of class "data.frame" containing the variables in the model. The expected input is a dataset with the variables specified in formula and a number of rows at least equal to the number of variables in the model.
family	the link function to be used in the model. Similar to glm.fit this has to be the result of a call to a family function. Default is gaussian(). See family for details of family functions.
weights	an optional string with the name of the 'prior weights' variable in data.
beta_start	an optional vector of starting values for the structural parameters in the linear predictor. Default is $\beta = 0$.
eta_start	an optional vector of starting values for the linear predictor.
control	a named list of parameters for controlling the fitting process. See feglm_control for details.

Details

If feglm does not converge this is often a sign of linear dependence between one or more regressors and a fixed effects category. In this case, you should carefully inspect your model specification.

Value

A named list of class "feglm". The list contains the following fifteen elements:

coefficients	a named vector of the estimated coefficients
eta	a vector of the linear predictor
weights	a vector of the weights used in the estimation
hessian	a matrix with the numerical second derivatives
deviance	the deviance of the model
null_deviance	the null deviance of the model
conv	a logical indicating whether the model converged
iter	the number of iterations needed to converge
nobs	a named vector with the number of observations used in the estimation indicating the dropped and perfectly predicted observations
lvls_k	a named vector with the number of levels in each fixed effects
nms_fe	a list with the names of the fixed effects variables
formula	the formula used in the model
data	the data used in the model after dropping non-contributing observations
family	the family used in the model
control	the control list used in the model

References

Gaure, S. (2013). "OLS with Multiple High Dimensional Category Variables". Computational Statistics and Data Analysis, 66.

Marschner, I. (2011). "glm2: Fitting generalized linear models with convergence problems". The R Journal, 3(2).

Stammann, A., F. Heiss, and D. McFadden (2016). "Estimating Fixed Effects Logit Models with Large Panel Data". Working paper.

Stammann, A. (2018). "Fast and Feasible Estimation of Generalized Linear Models with High-Dimensional k-Way Fixed Effects". ArXiv e-prints.

Examples

```
mod <- feglm(mpg ~ wt | cyl, mtcars, family = poisson(link = "log"))
summary(mod)
mod <- feglm(mpg ~ wt | cyl | am, mtcars, family = poisson(link = "log"))
summary(mod, type = "clustered")</pre>
```

feglm_control Set feglm Control Parameters

Description

Set and change parameters used for fitting feglm. Termination conditions are similar to glm.

Usage

```
feglm_control(
   dev_tol = 1e-06,
   center_tol = 1e-06,
   iter_max = 25L,
   iter_center_max = 10000L,
   iter_inner_max = 50L,
   iter_interrupt = 1000L,
   iter_ssr = 10L,
   limit = 10L,
   trace = FALSE,
   drop_pc = TRUE,
   keep_mx = FALSE
)
```

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Arguments

dev_tol	tolerance level for the first stopping condition of the maximization routine. The stopping condition is based on the relative change of the deviance in iteration r and can be expressed as follows: $ dev_r - dev_{r-1} /(0.1 + dev_r) < tol$. The default is 1.0e-08.
center_tol	tolerance level for the stopping condition of the centering algorithm. The stopping condition is based on the relative change of the centered variable similar to the 'lfe' package. The default is 1.0e-08.
iter_max	unsigned integer indicating the maximum number of iterations in the maximiza- tion routine. The default is 25L.
iter_center_max	(
	unsigned integer indicating the maximum number of iterations in the centering algorithm. The default is 10000L.
iter_inner_max	unsigned integer indicating the maximum number of iterations in the inner loop of the centering algorithm. The default is 50L.
iter_interrupt	unsigned integer indicating the maximum number of iterations before the algorithm is interrupted. The default is 1000L.
iter_ssr	unsigned integer indicating the number of iterations to skip before checking if the sum of squared residuals improves. The default is 10L.
limit	unsigned integer indicating the maximum number of iterations of theta.ml. The default is $10L$.
trace	logical indicating if output should be produced in each iteration. Default is FALSE.
drop_pc	logical indicating to drop observations that are perfectly classified/separated and hence do not contribute to the log-likelihood. This option is useful to reduce the computational costs of the maximization problem and improves the numerical stability of the algorithm. Note that dropping perfectly separated observations does not affect the estimates. The default is TRUE.
keep_mx	logical indicating if the centered regressor matrix should be stored. The centered regressor matrix is required for some covariance estimators, bias corrections, and average partial effects. This option saves some computation time at the cost of memory. The default is TRUE.

Value

A named list of control parameters.

See Also

feglm

Examples

feglm_control(0.05, 0.05, 10L, 10L, TRUE, TRUE, TRUE)

felm

Description

A wrapper for feglm with family = gaussian().

Usage

```
felm(formula = NULL, data = NULL, weights = NULL, control = NULL)
```

Arguments

formula	an object of class "formula": a symbolic description of the model to be fitted. formula must be of type $y \sim x \mid k$, where the second part of the formula refers to factors to be concentrated out. It is also possible to pass clustering variables to feglm as $y \sim x \mid k \mid c$.
data	an object of class "data.frame" containing the variables in the model. The expected input is a dataset with the variables specified in formula and a number of rows at least equal to the number of variables in the model.
weights	an optional string with the name of the 'prior weights' variable in data.
control	a named list of parameters for controlling the fitting process. See feglm_control for details.

Value

A named list of class "felm". The list contains the following eleven elements:

coefficients	a named vector of the estimated coefficients
fitted.values	a vector of the estimated dependent variable
weights	a vector of the weights used in the estimation
hessian	a matrix with the numerical second derivatives
null_deviance	the null deviance of the model
nobs	a named vector with the number of observations used in the estimation indicating the dropped and perfectly predicted observations
lvls_k	a named vector with the number of levels in each fixed effect
nms_fe	a list with the names of the fixed effects variables
formula	the formula used in the model
data	the data used in the model after dropping non-contributing observations
control	the control list used in the model

fenegbin

References

Gaure, S. (2013). "OLS with Multiple High Dimensional Category Variables". Computational Statistics and Data Analysis, 66.

Marschner, I. (2011). "glm2: Fitting generalized linear models with convergence problems". The R Journal, 3(2).

Stammann, A., F. Heiss, and D. McFadden (2016). "Estimating Fixed Effects Logit Models with Large Panel Data". Working paper.

Stammann, A. (2018). "Fast and Feasible Estimation of Generalized Linear Models with High-Dimensional k-Way Fixed Effects". ArXiv e-prints.

Examples

```
# check the feglm examples for the details about clustered standard errors
mod <- felm(log(mpg) ~ log(wt) | cyl, mtcars)
summary(mod)</pre>
```

fenegbin	Negative Binomial model fitting with high-dimensional k-way fixed ef-
	fects

Description

A routine that uses the same internals as feglm.

Usage

```
fenegbin(
  formula = NULL,
  data = NULL,
  weights = NULL,
  beta_start = NULL,
  init_theta = NULL,
  link = c("log", "identity", "sqrt"),
  control = NULL
```

```
)
```

Arguments

formula	an object of class "formula": a symbolic description of the model to be fitted.
	formula must be of type $y \sim x \mid k$, where the second part of the formula refers
	to factors to be concentrated out. It is also possible to pass clustering variables to feglm as $y \sim x \mid k \mid c$.
data	an object of class "data.frame" containing the variables in the model. The expected input is a dataset with the variables specified in formula and a number of rows at least equal to the number of variables in the model.

fenegbin

weights	an optional string with the name of the 'prior weights' variable in data.
beta_start	an optional vector of starting values for the structural parameters in the linear predictor. Default is $\beta = 0$.
eta_start	an optional vector of starting values for the linear predictor.
init_theta	an optional initial value for the theta parameter (see glm.nb).
link	the link function. Must be one of "log", "sqrt", or "identity".
control	a named list of parameters for controlling the fitting process. See feglm_control for details.

Value

A named list of class "feglm". The list contains the following eighteen elements:

coefficients	a named vector of the estimated coefficients
eta	a vector of the linear predictor
weights	a vector of the weights used in the estimation
hessian	a matrix with the numerical second derivatives
deviance	the deviance of the model
null_deviance	the null deviance of the model
conv	a logical indicating whether the model converged
iter	the number of iterations needed to converge
theta	the estimated theta parameter
iter.outer	the number of outer iterations
conv.outer	a logical indicating whether the outer loop converged
nobs	a named vector with the number of observations used in the estimation indicating the dropped and perfectly predicted observations
lvls_k	a named vector with the number of levels in each fixed effects
nms_fe	a list with the names of the fixed effects variables
formula	the formula used in the model
data	the data used in the model after dropping non-contributing observations
family	the family used in the model
control	the control list used in the model

```
# check the feglm examples for the details about clustered standard errors
mod <- fenegbin(mpg ~ wt | cyl, mtcars)
summary(mod)</pre>
```

fepoisson

Description

A wrapper for feglm with family = poisson().

Usage

```
fepoisson(
  formula = NULL,
  data = NULL,
  weights = NULL,
  beta_start = NULL,
  eta_start = NULL,
  control = NULL
)
```

Arguments

formula	an object of class "formula": a symbolic description of the model to be fitted. formula must be of type $y \sim x \mid k$, where the second part of the formula refers to factors to be concentrated out. It is also possible to pass clustering variables to feglm as $y \sim x \mid k \mid c$.
data	an object of class "data.frame" containing the variables in the model. The expected input is a dataset with the variables specified in formula and a number of rows at least equal to the number of variables in the model.
weights	an optional string with the name of the 'prior weights' variable in data.
beta_start	an optional vector of starting values for the structural parameters in the linear predictor. Default is $\beta = 0$.
eta_start	an optional vector of starting values for the linear predictor.
control	a named list of parameters for controlling the fitting process. See feglm_control for details.

Value

A named list of class "feglm".

```
# check the feglm examples for the details about clustered standard errors
mod <- fepoisson(mpg ~ wt | cyl, mtcars)
summary(mod)</pre>
```

fixed_effects

Description

The system might not have a unique solution since we do not take collinearity into account. If the solution is not unique, an estimable function has to be applied to our solution to get meaningful estimates of the fixed effects.

Usage

```
fixed_effects(object = NULL, control = NULL)
```

Arguments

object	an object of class "feglm".
control	a list of control parameters. If NULL, the default control parameters are used.

Value

A named list containing named vectors of estimated fixed effects.

References

Stammann, A. (2018). "Fast and Feasible Estimation of Generalized Linear Models with High-Dimensional k-way Fixed Effects". ArXiv e-prints.

Gaure, S. (n. d.). "Multicollinearity, identification, and estimable functions". Unpublished.

See Also

felm, feglm

Examples

check the feglm examples for the details about clustered standard errors
mod <- fepoisson(mpg ~ wt | cyl, mtcars)
fixed_effects(mod)</pre>

summary_table

Description

Generate formatted regression tables

Usage

```
summary_table(
    ...,
    coef_digits = 3,
    se_digits = 3,
    stars = TRUE,
    latex = FALSE,
    model_names = NULL
)
```

Arguments

•••	One or more model objects of felm or feglm class.
coef_digits	Number of digits for coefficients. The default is 3.
se_digits	Number of digits for standard errors. The default is 3.
stars	Whether to include significance stars. The default is TRUE.
latex	Whether to output as LaTeX code. The default is FALSE.
model_names	Optional vector of custom model names

Value

A formatted table

```
m1 <- felm(mpg ~ wt | cyl, mtcars)
m2 <- fepoisson(mpg ~ wt | cyl, mtcars)
summary_table(m1, m2, model_names = c("Linear", "Poisson"))</pre>
```

trade_panel

Description

Aggregated exports at origin-destination-year level for 1986-2006.

Usage

trade_panel

Format

trade_panel: A data frame with 14,285 rows and 7 columns: trade Nominal trade flows in current US dollars dist Population-weighted bilateral distance between country 'i' and 'j', in kilometers cntg Indicator. Equal to 1 if country 'i' and 'j' share a common border lang Indicator. Equal to 1 if country 'i' and 'j' speak the same official language clny Indicator. Equal to 1 if country 'i' and 'j' share a colonial relationship year Year of observation exp_year Exporter ISO country code and year imp_year Importer ISO country code and year

Source

Advanced Guide to Trade Policy Analysis (ISBN: 978-92-870-4367-2)

vcov.feglm

Covariance matrix for GLMs

Description

Covariance matrix for the estimator of the structural parameters from objects returned by feglm. The covariance is computed from the hessian, the scores, or a combination of both after convergence.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'feglm'
vcov(
   object,
   type = c("hessian", "outer.product", "sandwich", "clustered"),
   ...
)
```

vcov.felm

Arguments

object	an object of class "feglm".
type	the type of covariance estimate required. "hessian" refers to the inverse of the negative expected hessian after convergence and is the default option. "outer.product" is the outer-product-of-the-gradient estimator. "sandwich" is the sandwich es- timator (sometimes also referred as robust estimator), and "clustered" com- putes a clustered covariance matrix given some cluster variables.
	additional arguments.

Value

A named matrix of covariance estimates.

A named matrix of covariance estimates.

References

Cameron, C., J. Gelbach, and D. Miller (2011). "Robust Inference With Multiway Clustering". Journal of Business & Economic Statistics 29(2).

See Also

feglm

Examples

```
# same as the example in feglm but extracting the covariance matrix
mod <- fepoisson(mpg ~ wt | cyl | am, mtcars)
round(vcov(mod, type = "clustered"), 5)
```

vcov.felm

Covariance matrix for LMs

Description

Covariance matrix for the estimator of the structural parameters from objects returned by felm. The covariance is computed from the hessian, the scores, or a combination of both after convergence.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'felm'
vcov(
   object,
   type = c("hessian", "outer.product", "sandwich", "clustered"),
   ...
)
```

Arguments

object	an object of class "felm".
type	the type of covariance estimate required. "hessian" refers to the inverse of the negative expected hessian after convergence and is the default option. "outer.product" is the outer-product-of-the-gradient estimator. "sandwich" is the sandwich estimator (sometimes also referred as robust estimator), and "clustered" computes a clustered covariance matrix given some cluster variables.
	additional arguments.

Value

A named matrix of covariance estimates.

See Also

felm

```
# same as the example in felm but extracting the covariance matrix
mod <- felm(log(mpg) ~ log(wt) | cyl | am, mtcars)
vcov(mod, type = "clustered")</pre>
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