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**Description** This R package can be used to generate artificial data conditionally on pre-specified (simulated or user-defined) relationships between the variables and/or observations. Each observation is drawn from a multivariate Normal distribution where the mean vector and covariance matrix reflect the desired relationships. Outputs can be used to evaluate the performances of variable selection, graphical modelling, or clustering approaches by comparing the true and estimated structures (B Bodinier et al (2021) <arXiv:2106.02521>).

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BlockDiagonal

Block diagonal matrix

# Description

Generates a binary block diagonal matrix.

# Usage

BlockDiagonal(pk)

# Arguments

pk

vector encoding the grouping structure.

# Value

A binary block diagonal matrix.

# See Also

Other block matrix functions: BlockMatrix(), BlockStructure()

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# **Examples**

```
# Example 1
BlockDiagonal(pk = c(2, 3))
# Example 2
BlockDiagonal(pk = c(2, 3, 2))
```

BlockMatrix

Block matrix

# Description

Generates a symmetric block matrix of size  $(sum(pk) \times sum(pk))$ . The sizes of the submatrices is defined based on pk. For each submatrix, all entries are equal to the submatrix (block) index.

# Usage

```
BlockMatrix(pk)
```

# Arguments

pk

vector encoding the grouping structure.

# Value

A symmetric block matrix.

# See Also

Other block matrix functions: BlockDiagonal(), BlockStructure()

```
# Example 1
BlockMatrix(pk = c(2, 3))
# Example 2
BlockMatrix(pk = c(2, 3, 2))
```

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BlockStructure

Block structure

## **Description**

Generates a symmetric matrix of size (length(pk) x length(pk)) where entries correspond to block indices. This function can be used to visualise block indices of a matrix generated with BlockMatrix.

# Usage

```
BlockStructure(pk)
```

# Arguments

pk

vector encoding the grouping structure.

#### Value

A symmetric matrix of size length(pk)).

#### See Also

Other block matrix functions: BlockDiagonal(), BlockMatrix()

### **Examples**

```
# Example 1
BlockMatrix(pk = c(2, 3))
BlockStructure(pk = c(2, 3))
# Example 2
BlockMatrix(pk = c(2, 3, 2))
BlockStructure(pk = c(2, 3, 2))
```

Concordance

Concordance statistic

# Description

Computes the concordance statistic given observed binary outcomes and predicted probabilities of event. In logistic regression, the concordance statistic is equal to the area under the Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) curve and estimates the probability that an individual who experienced the event  $(Y_i = 1)$  had a higher probability of event than an individual who did not experience the event  $(Y_i = 0)$ .

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# Usage

```
Concordance(observed, predicted)
```

# Arguments

observed vector of binary outcomes.

predicted vector of predicted probabilities.

#### Value

The concordance statistic.

#### See Also

Other goodness of fit functions: ROC()

# **Examples**

```
# Data simulation
set.seed(1)
proba <- runif(n = 200)
ydata <- rbinom(n = length(proba), size = 1, prob = proba)
# Observed concordance in simulated data
Concordance(observed = ydata, predicted = proba)</pre>
```

Contrast

Matrix contrast

# **Description**

Computes matrix contrast, defined as the number of unique truncated entries with a specified number of digits.

# Usage

```
Contrast(mat, digits = 3)
```

# **Arguments**

mat input matrix.

digits number of digits to use.

# Value

A single number, the contrast of the input matrix.

#### References

Bodinier B, Filippi S, Nost TH, Chiquet J, Chadeau-Hyam M (2021). "Automated calibration for stability selection in penalised regression and graphical models: a multi-OMICs network application exploring the molecular response to tobacco smoking." https://arxiv.org/abs/2106.02521.

# **Examples**

```
# Example 1
mat <- matrix(c(0.1, 0.2, 0.2, 0.2), ncol = 2, byrow = TRUE)
Contrast(mat)

# Example 2
mat <- matrix(c(0.1, 0.2, 0.2, 0.3), ncol = 2, byrow = TRUE)
Contrast(mat)</pre>
```

ExpectedCommunities

Expected community structure

## **Description**

Computes expected metrics related to the community structure of a graph simulated with given parameters.

# Usage

```
ExpectedCommunities(pk, nu_within = 0.1, nu_between = 0, nu_mat = NULL)
```

# **Arguments**

pk	vector of the number of variables per group in the simulated dataset. The number of nodes in the simulated graph is sum(pk). With multiple groups, the simulated (partial) correlation matrix has a block structure, where blocks arise from the integration of the length(pk) groups. This argument is only used if theta is not provided.
nu_within	probability of having an edge between two nodes belonging to the same group, as defined in pk. If length(pk)=1, this is the expected density of the graph. If implementation=HugeAdjacency, this argument is only used for topology="random" or topology="cluster" (see argument prob in huge.generator). Only used if nu_mat is not provided.
nu_between	probability of having an edge between two nodes belonging to different groups, as defined in pk. By default, the same density is used for within and between blocks (nu_within=nu_between). Only used if length(pk)>1. Only used if nu_mat is not provided.

nu\_mat

matrix of probabilities of having an edge between nodes belonging to a given

pair of node groups defined in pk.

#### **Details**

Given a group of nodes, the within degree  $d_i^w$  of node i is defined as the number of nodes from the same group node i is connected to. The between degree  $d_i^b$  is the number of nodes from other groups node i is connected to. A weak community in the network is defined as a group of nodes for which the total within degree (sum of the  $d_i^w$  for all nodes in the community) is strictly greater than the total between degree (sum of  $d_i^b$  for all nodes in the community). For more details, see Network Science by Albert-Laszlo Barabasi.

The expected total within and between degrees for the groups defined in pk in a network simulated using SimulateAdjacency can be computed given the group sizes (stored in pk) and probabilities of having an edge between nodes from a given group pair (defined by nu\_within and nu\_between or by nu\_mat). The expected presence of weak communities can be inferred from these quantities.

The expected modularity, measuring the difference between observed and expected number of within-community edges, is also returned. For more details on this metric, see modularity.

#### Value

```
A list with:

total_within_degree_c

total within degree by node group, i.e. sum of expected within degree over all nodes in a given group.

total_between_degree

total between degree by node group, i.e. sum of expected between degree over all nodes in a given group.

weak_community binary indicator for a given node group to be an expected weak community.

total_number_edges_c

matrix of expected number of edges between nodes from a given node pair.

modularity expected modularity (see modularity).
```

#### See Also

SimulateGraphical, SimulateAdjacency, MinWithinProba

```
# Simulation parameters
pk <- rep(20, 4)
nu_within <- 0.8
nu_between <- 0.1

# Expected metrics
expected <- ExpectedCommunities(
   pk = pk,
   nu_within = nu_within,
   nu_between = nu_between
)

# Example of simulated graph
set.seed(1)</pre>
```

```
theta <- SimulateAdjacency(
   pk = pk,
   nu_within = nu_within,
   nu_between = nu_between
)

# Comparing observed and expected numbers of edges
bigblocks <- BlockMatrix(pk)
BlockStructure(pk)
sum(theta[which(bigblocks == 2)]) / 2
expected$total_number_edges_c[1, 2]

# Comparing observed and expected modularity
igraph::modularity(igraph::graph_from_adjacency_matrix(theta, mode = "undirected"),
   membership = rep.int(1:length(pk), times = pk)
)
expected$modularity</pre>
```

 ${\tt Expected Concordance}$ 

Expected concordance statistic

# **Description**

Computes the expected concordance statistic given true probabilities of event. In logistic regression, the concordance statistic is equal to the area under the Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) curve and estimates the probability that an individual who experienced the event  $(Y_i = 1)$  had a higher probability of event than an individual who did not experience the event  $(Y_i = 0)$ .

# Usage

ExpectedConcordance(probabilities)

# **Arguments**

probabilities vector of probabilities of event.

# Value

The expected concordance statistic.

#### See Also

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## **Examples**

```
# Simulation of probabilities
set.seed(1)
proba <- runif(n = 1000)

# Expected concordance
ExpectedConcordance(proba)

# Simulation of binary outcome
ydata <- rbinom(n = length(proba), size = 1, prob = proba)

# Observed concordance in simulated data
Concordance(observed = ydata, predicted = proba)</pre>
```

Heatmap

Heatmap visualisation

# **Description**

Produces a heatmap for visualisation of matrix entries.

# Usage

```
Heatmap(
    mat,
    col = c("ivory", "navajowhite", "tomato", "darkred"),
    resolution = 10000,
    bty = "o",
    axes = TRUE,
    cex.axis = 1,
    xlas = 2,
    ylas = 2,
    text = FALSE,
    cex = 1,
    legend = TRUE,
    legend_length = NULL,
    legend_range = NULL,
    cex.legend = 1,
    ...
)
```

# Arguments

mat data matrix.
col vector of colours.

resolution number of different colours to use.

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bty	character string indicating if the box around the plot should be drawn. Possible values include: "o" (default, the box is drawn), or "n" (no box).
axes	logical indicating if the row and column names of mat should be displayed.
cex.axis	font size for axes.
xlas	orientation of labels on the x-axis, as las in par.
ylas	orientation of labels on the y-axis, as las in par.
text	logical indicating if numbers should be displayed.
cex	font size for numbers. Only used if text=TRUE.
legend	logical indicating if the colour bar should be included.
legend_length	length of the colour bar.
legend_range	range of the colour bar.
cex.legend	font size for legend.
	additional arguments passed to ${\tt formatC}$ for number formatting. Only used if ${\tt text=TRUE}.$

#### Value

A heatmap.

```
oldpar <- par(no.readonly = TRUE)
par(mar = c(3, 3, 1, 5))

# Data simulation
set.seed(1)
mat <- matrix(rnorm(100), ncol = 10)
rownames(mat) <- paste0("r", 1:nrow(mat))
colnames(mat) <- paste0("c", 1:ncol(mat))

# Generating heatmaps
Heatmap(mat = mat)
Heatmap(mat = mat, text = TRUE, format = "f", digits = 2)
Heatmap(
    mat = mat,
    col = c("lightgrey", "blue", "black"),
    legend = FALSE
)

par(oldpar)</pre>
```

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Layered Directed Acyclic Graph

# Description

Returns the adjacency matrix of a layered Directed Acyclic Graph. In this graph, arrows go from all members of a layer to all members of the following layers. There are no arrows between members of the same layer.

## Usage

```
LayeredDAG(layers, n_manifest = NULL)
```

# Arguments

layers list of vectors. Each vector in the list corresponds to a layer. There are as many

layers as items in the list. Alternatively, this argument can be a vector of the

number of variables per layer.

n\_manifest vector of the number of manifest (observed) variables measuring each of the

latent variables. If n\_manifest is provided, the variables defined in argument layers are considered latent. All entries of n\_manifest must be strictly posi-

tive.

# Value

The adjacency matrix of the layered Directed Acyclic Graph.

```
# Example with 3 layers specified in a list
layers <- list(
    c("x1", "x2", "x3"),
    c("x4", "x5"),
    c("x6", "x7", "x8")
)
dag <- LayeredDAG(layers)
plot(dag)

# Example with 3 layers specified in a vector
dag <- LayeredDAG(layers = c(3, 2, 3))
plot(dag)</pre>
```

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# **Description**

Determines the diagonal entries of a symmetric matrix to make it is positive definite.

# Usage

```
MakePositiveDefinite(
  omega,
  pd_strategy = "diagonally_dominant",
  ev_xx = NULL,
  scale = TRUE,
  u_list = c(1e-10, 1),
  tol = .Machine$double.eps^0.25
)
```

# Arguments

omega	input matrix.
pd_strategy	method to ensure that the generated precision matrix is positive definite (and hence can be a covariance matrix). If pd_strategy="diagonally_dominant", the precision matrix is made diagonally dominant by setting the diagonal entries to the sum of absolute values on the corresponding row and a constant u. If pd_strategy="min_eigenvalue", diagonal entries are set to the sum of the absolute value of the smallest eigenvalue of the precision matrix with zeros on the diagonal and a constant u.
ev_xx	expected proportion of explained variance by the first Principal Component (PC1) of a Principal Component Analysis. This is the largest eigenvalue of the correlation (if scale_ev=TRUE) or covariance (if scale_ev=FALSE) matrix divided by the sum of eigenvalues. If ev_xx=NULL (the default), the constant u is chosen by maximising the contrast of the correlation matrix.
scale	logical indicating if the proportion of explained variance by PC1 should be computed from the correlation (scale=TRUE) or covariance (scale=FALSE) matrix.
u_list	vector with two numeric values defining the range of values to explore for constant u.
tol	accuracy for the search of parameter u as defined in optimise.

# **Details**

Two strategies are implemented to ensure positive definiteness: by diagonally dominance or using eigendecomposition.

A diagonally dominant symmetric matrix with positive diagonal entries is positive definite. With pd\_strategy="diagonally\_dominant", the diagonal entries of the matrix are defined to be strictly

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higher than the sum of entries on the corresponding row in absolute value, which ensures diagonally dominance. Let  $\Omega*$  denote the input matrix with zeros on the diagonal and  $\Omega$  be the output positive definite matrix. We have:

$$\Omega_{ii} = \sum_{j=1}^{p} |\Omega_{ij} *| + u$$
, where  $u > 0$  is a parameter.

A matrix is positive definite if all its eigenvalues are positive. With pd\_strategy="diagonally\_dominant", diagonal entries of the matrix are defined to be higher than the absolute value of the smallest eigenvalue of the same matrix with a diagonal of zeros. Let  $\lambda_1$  denote the smallest eigenvalue of the input matrix  $\Omega$ \* with a diagonal of zeros, and  $v_1$  be the corresponding eigenvector. Diagonal entries in the output matrix  $\Omega$  are defined as:

$$\Omega_{ii} = |\lambda_1| + u$$
, where  $u > 0$  is a parameter.

It can be showed that  $\Omega$  has strictly positive eigenvalues. Let  $\lambda$  and v denote any eigenpair of  $\Omega$ \*:

$$\Omega * v = \lambda v$$

$$\Omega * v + (|\lambda_1| + u)v = \lambda v + (|\lambda_1| + u)v$$

$$(\Omega * + (|\lambda_1| + u)I)v = (\lambda + |\lambda_1| + u)v$$

$$\Omega v = (\lambda + |\lambda_1| + u)v$$

The eigenvalues of  $\Omega$  are equal to the eigenvalues of  $\Omega *$  plus  $|\lambda_1|$ . The smallest eigenvalue of  $\Omega$  is  $(\lambda_1 + |\lambda_1| + u) > 0$ .

Considering the matrix to make positive definite is a precision matrix, its standardised inverse matrix is the correlation matrix. In both cases, the magnitude of correlations is controlled by the constant u.

If ev\_xx=NULL, the constant u is chosen to maximise the Contrast of the corresponding correlation matrix.

If ev\_xx is provided, the constant u is chosen to generate a correlation matrix with required proportion of explained variance by the first Principal Component, if possible. This proportion of explained variance is equal to the largest eigenvalue of the correlation matrix divided by the sum of its eigenvalues. If scale=FALSE, the covariance matrix is used instead of the correlation matrix for faster computations.

#### Value

A list with:

omega positive definite matrix.
u value of the constant u.

#### References

Bodinier B, Filippi S, Nost TH, Chiquet J, Chadeau-Hyam M (2021). "Automated calibration for stability selection in penalised regression and graphical models: a multi-OMICs network application exploring the molecular response to tobacco smoking." https://arxiv.org/abs/2106.02521.

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```
# Simulation of a symmetric matrix
p < -5
set.seed(1)
omega <- matrix(rnorm(p * p), ncol = p)</pre>
omega <- omega + t(omega)</pre>
diag(omega) <- 0</pre>
# Diagonal dominance maximising contrast
omega_pd <- MakePositiveDefinite(omega,</pre>
  pd_strategy = "diagonally_dominant"
eigen(omega_pd$omega)$values # positive eigenvalues
# Diagonal dominance with specific proportion of explained variance by PC1
omega_pd <- MakePositiveDefinite(omega,</pre>
  pd_strategy = "diagonally_dominant",
  ev_xx = 0.55
lambda_inv <- eigen(cov2cor(solve(omega_pd$omega)))$values</pre>
max(lambda_inv) / sum(lambda_inv) # expected ev
# Version not scaled (using eigenvalues from the covariance)
omega_pd <- MakePositiveDefinite(omega,</pre>
  pd_strategy = "diagonally_dominant",
  ev_xx = 0.55, scale = FALSE
lambda_inv <- 1 / eigen(omega_pd$omega)$values</pre>
max(lambda_inv) / sum(lambda_inv) # expected ev
# Non-negative eigenvalues maximising contrast
omega_pd <- MakePositiveDefinite(omega,</pre>
  pd_strategy = "min_eigenvalue"
eigen(omega_pd$omega)$values # positive eigenvalues
# Non-negative eigenvalues with specific proportion of explained variance by PC1
omega_pd <- MakePositiveDefinite(omega,</pre>
  pd_strategy = "min_eigenvalue",
  ev_xx = 0.7
)
lambda_inv <- eigen(cov2cor(solve(omega_pd$omega)))$values</pre>
max(lambda_inv) / sum(lambda_inv)
# Version not scaled (using eigenvalues from the covariance)
omega_pd <- MakePositiveDefinite(omega,</pre>
  pd_strategy = "min_eigenvalue",
  ev_xx = 0.7, scale = FALSE
lambda_inv <- 1 / eigen(omega_pd$omega)$values</pre>
max(lambda_inv) / sum(lambda_inv)
```

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MatchingArguments

Matching arguments

# **Description**

Returns a vector of overlapping character strings between extra\_args and arguments from function FUN. If FUN is taking . . . as input, this function returns extra\_args.

# Usage

```
MatchingArguments(extra_args, FUN)
```

# **Arguments**

```
extra_args vector of character strings.

FUN function.
```

#### Value

A vector of overlapping arguments.

# **Examples**

```
MatchingArguments(
  extra_args = list(Sigma = 1, test = FALSE),
  FUN = MASS::mvrnorm
)
```

 ${\tt MinWithinProba}$ 

Within-group probabilities for communities

# Description

Computes the smallest within-group probabilities that can be used to simulate a graph where communities can be expected for given probabilities of between-group probabilities and group sizes.

# Usage

```
MinWithinProba(pk, nu_between = 0, nu_mat = NULL)
```

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#### **Arguments**

pk vector of the number of variables per group in the simulated dataset. The number

of nodes in the simulated graph is sum(pk). With multiple groups, the simulated (partial) correlation matrix has a block structure, where blocks arise from the integration of the length(pk) groups. This argument is only used if theta is

not provided.

nu\_between probability of having an edge between two nodes belonging to different groups,

as defined in pk. By default, the same density is used for within and between blocks ( $nu_within=nu_between$ ). Only used if length(pk)>1. Only used if

nu\_mat is not provided.

nu\_mat matrix of probabilities of having an edge between nodes belonging to a given

pair of node groups defined in pk. Only off-diagonal entries are used.

#### **Details**

The vector of within-group probabilities is the smallest one that can be used to generate an expected total within degree  $D_k^w$  strictly higher than the expected total between degree  $D_k^b$  for all communities k (see ExpectedCommunities). Namely, using the suggested within-group probabilities would give expected  $D_k^w = D_k^b + 1$ .

#### Value

A vector of within-group probabilities.

# See Also

ExpectedCommunities, SimulateAdjacency, SimulateGraphical

```
# Simulation parameters
pk <- rep(20, 4)
nu_between <- 0.1

# Estimating smallest nu_within
nu_within <- MinWithinProba(pk = pk, nu_between = nu_between)

# Expected metrics
ExpectedCommunities(
   pk = pk,
   nu_within = max(nu_within),
   nu_between = nu_between
)</pre>
```

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plot.roc\_curve

Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) curve

# **Description**

Plots the True Positive Rate (TPR) as a function of the False Positive Rate (FPR) for different thresholds in predicted probabilities.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'roc_curve'
plot(x, add = FALSE, ...)
```

## Arguments

```
x output of ROC.
add logical indicating if the curve should be added to the current plot.
... additional plotting arguments (see par).
```

#### Value

A base plot.

# See Also

ROC, Concordance

```
# Data simulation
set.seed(1)
simul <- SimulateRegression(
    n = 500, pk = 20,
    family = "binomial", ev_xy = 0.8
)
# Logistic regression
fitted <- glm(simul$ydata ~ simul$xdata, family = "binomial")$fitted.values
# Constructing the ROC curve
roc <- ROC(predicted = fitted, observed = simul$ydata)
plot(roc)</pre>
```

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**ROC** 

Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC)

## **Description**

Computes the True and False Positive Rates (TPR and FPR, respectively) and Area Under the Curve (AUC) by comparing the true (observed) and predicted status using a range of thresholds on the predicted score.

## Usage

```
ROC(observed, predicted, n_thr = NULL)
```

# **Arguments**

observed vector of binary outcomes.
predicted vector of predicted scores.

n\_thr number of thresholds to use to construct the ROC curve. For faster computations

on large data, values below length(predicted)-1 can be used.

#### Value

A list with:

TPR True Positive Rate.

FPR False Positive Rate.

AUC Area Under the Curve.

#### See Also

Other goodness of fit functions: Concordance()

```
# Data simulation
set.seed(1)
simul <- SimulateRegression(
    n = 500, pk = 20,
    family = "binomial", ev_xy = 0.8
)
# Logistic regression
fitted <- glm(simul$ydata ~ simul$xdata, family = "binomial")$fitted.values
# Constructing the ROC curve
roc <- ROC(predicted = fitted, observed = simul$ydata)
plot(roc)</pre>
```

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SimulateAdjacency

Simulation of undirected graph with block structure

# **Description**

Simulates the adjacency matrix of an unweighted, undirected graph with no self-loops. If topology="random", different densities in diagonal (nu\_within) compared to off-diagonal (nu\_between) blocks can be used.

# Usage

```
SimulateAdjacency(
  pk = 10.
  implementation = HugeAdjacency,
  topology = "random",
  nu_within = 0.1,
  nu_between = 0,
  nu_mat = NULL,
)
```

#### **Arguments**

pk

vector of the number of variables per group in the simulated dataset. The number of nodes in the simulated graph is sum(pk). With multiple groups, the simulated (partial) correlation matrix has a block structure, where blocks arise from the integration of the length(pk) groups. This argument is only used if theta is not provided.

implementation function for simulation of the graph. By default, algorithms implemented in huge.generator are used. Alternatively, a user-defined function can be used. It must take pk, topology and nu as arguments and return a (sum(pk)\*(sum(pk))) binary and symmetric matrix for which diagonal entries are all equal to zero. This function is only applied if theta is not provided.

topology

topology of the simulated graph. If using implementation=HugeAdjacency, possible values are listed for the argument graph of huge generator. These are: "random", "hub", "cluster", "band" and "scale-free".

nu\_within

probability of having an edge between two nodes belonging to the same group, as defined in pk. If length(pk)=1, this is the expected density of the graph. If implementation=HugeAdjacency, this argument is only used for topology="random" or topology="cluster" (see argument prob in huge.generator). Only used if nu\_mat is not provided.

nu\_between

probability of having an edge between two nodes belonging to different groups, as defined in pk. By default, the same density is used for within and between blocks (nu\_within=nu\_between). Only used if length(pk)>1. Only used if nu\_mat is not provided.

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nu_mat	matrix of probabilities of having an edge between nodes belonging to a given	
	pair of node groups defined in pk.	
	additional arguments passed to the graph simulation function provided in implementation.	

#### **Details**

Random graphs are simulated using the Erdos-Renyi algorithm. Scale-free graphs are simulated using a preferential attachment algorithm. More details are provided in huge.generator.

#### Value

A symmetric adjacency matrix encoding an unweighted, undirected graph with no self-loops, and with different densities in diagonal compared to off-diagonal blocks.

#### References

Bodinier B, Filippi S, Nost TH, Chiquet J, Chadeau-Hyam M (2021). "Automated calibration for stability selection in penalised regression and graphical models: a multi-OMICs network application exploring the molecular response to tobacco smoking." https://arxiv.org/abs/2106.02521.

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#### See Also

Other simulation functions: SimulateClustering(), SimulateComponents(), SimulateCorrelation(), SimulateGraphical(), SimulateRegression(), SimulateStructural()

```
# Simulation of a scale-free graph with 20 nodes
adjacency <- SimulateAdjacency(pk = 20, topology = "scale-free")
plot(adjacency)

# Simulation of a random graph with three connected components
adjacency <- SimulateAdjacency(
   pk = rep(10, 3),
   nu_within = 0.7, nu_between = 0
)
plot(adjacency)

# Simulation of a random graph with block structure
adjacency <- SimulateAdjacency(
   pk = rep(10, 3),
   nu_within = 0.7, nu_between = 0.03
)
plot(adjacency)

# User-defined function for graph simulation
CentralNode <- function(pk, hub = 1) {</pre>
```

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```
theta <- matrix(0, nrow = sum(pk), ncol = sum(pk))
theta[hub, ] <- 1
theta[, hub] <- 1
diag(theta) <- 0
return(theta)
}
simul <- SimulateAdjacency(pk = 10, implementation = CentralNode)
plot(simul) # star
simul <- SimulateAdjacency(pk = 10, implementation = CentralNode, hub = 2)
plot(simul) # variable 2 is the central node</pre>
```

SimulateClustering

Simulation of data with underlying clusters

# Description

Simulates mixture multivariate Normal data with clusters of items (rows) sharing similar profiles along (a subset of) attributes (columns).

#### Usage

```
SimulateClustering(
  n = c(10, 10),
  pk = 10,
  sigma = NULL,
  theta_xc = NULL,
  nu_xc = 1,
  ev_xc = 0.5,
  output_matrices = FALSE
)
```

# Arguments

n vector of the number of items per cluster in the simulated data. The total number

of items is sum(n).

pk vector of the number of attributes in the simulated data.

sigma optional within-cluster correlation matrix.

theta\_xc optional binary matrix encoding which attributes (columns) contribute to the

clustering structure between which clusters (rows). If theta\_xc=NULL, variables

contributing to the clustering are sampled with probability nu\_xc.

nu\_xc expected proportion of variables contributing to the clustering over the total

number of variables. Only used if theta\_xc is not provided.

ev\_xc vector of expected proportion of variance in each of the contributing attributes

that can be explained by the clustering.

output\_matrices

logical indicating if the cluster and attribute specific means and cluster specific covariance matrix should be included in the output.

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#### **Details**

The data is simulated from a Gaussian mixture where for all  $i \in 1, ..., n$ :

```
Z_i i.i.d. M(1, \kappa)
X_i | Z_i indep. N_p(\mu_{Z_i}, \Sigma)
```

where  $M(1,\kappa)$  is the multinomial distribution with parameters 1 and  $\kappa$ , the vector of length G (the number of clusters) with probabilities of belonging to each of the clusters, and  $N_p(\mu_{Z_i},\Sigma)$  is the multivariate Normal distribution with a mean vector  $\mu_{Z_i}$  that depends on the cluster membership encoded in  $Z_i$  and the same covariance matrix  $\Sigma$  within all G clusters.

The mean vectors  $\mu_g, g \in 1, \dots G$  are simulated so that the desired proportion of variance in each of attributes explained by the clustering (argument ev\_xc) is reached.

The covariance matrix  $\Sigma$  is obtained by re-scaling a correlation matrix (argument sigma) to ensure that the desired proportions of explained variances by the clustering (argument ev\_xc) are reached.

#### Value

#### A list with:

data simulated data with sum(n) observation and sum(pk) variables

theta simulated (true) cluster membership.

theta\_xc binary vector encoding variables contributing to the clustering structure.

ev vector of marginal expected proportions of explained variance for each variable.

mu\_mixture simulated (true) cluster-specific means. Only returned if output\_matrices=TRUE.

sigma simulated (true) covariance matrix. Only returned if output\_matrices=TRUE.

#### See Also

#### MakePositiveDefinite

Other simulation functions: SimulateAdjacency(), SimulateComponents(), SimulateCorrelation(), SimulateGraphical(), SimulateRegression(), SimulateStructural()

```
oldpar <- par(no.readonly = TRUE)
par(mar = rep(7, 4))

## Example with 3 clusters

# Data simulation
set.seed(1)
simul <- SimulateClustering(
    n = c(10, 30, 15),
    nu_xc = 1,
    ev_xc = 0.5
)
print(simul)
plot(simul)</pre>
```

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```
# Checking the proportion of explained variance
x <- simul$data[, 1]</pre>
z <- as.factor(simul$theta)</pre>
summary(lm(x \sim z)) # R-squared
## Example with 2 variables contributing to clustering
# Data simulation
set.seed(1)
simul <- SimulateClustering(</pre>
  n = c(20, 10, 15), pk = 10,
  theta_xc = c(1, 1, rep(0, 8)),
  ev_xc = 0.8
)
print(simul)
plot(simul)
# Visualisation of the data
Heatmap(
 mat = simul$data,
  col = c("navy", "white", "red")
)
simul$ev # marginal proportions of explained variance
# Visualisation along contributing variables
plot(simul$data[, 1:2], col = simul$theta, pch = 19)
## Example with different levels of separation
# Data simulation
set.seed(1)
simul <- SimulateClustering(</pre>
 n = c(20, 10, 15), pk = 10,
  theta_xc = c(1, 1, rep(0, 8)),
  ev_xc = c(0.99, 0.5, rep(0, 8))
)
# Visualisation along contributing variables
plot(simul$data[, 1:2], col = simul$theta, pch = 19)
## Example with correlated contributors
# Data simulation
pk <- 10
adjacency <- matrix(0, pk, pk)</pre>
adjacency[1, 2] \leftarrow adjacency[2, 1] \leftarrow 1
set.seed(1)
sigma <- SimulateCorrelation(</pre>
  pk = pk,
  theta = adjacency,
```

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```
pd_strategy = "min_eigenvalue",
    v_within = 0.6, v_sign = -1
)$sigma
simul <- SimulateClustering(
    n = c(200, 100, 150), pk = pk, sigma = sigma,
    theta_xc = c(1, 1, rep(0, 8)),
    ev_xc = c(0.9, 0.8, rep(0, 8))
)

# Visualisation along contributing variables
plot(simul$data[, 1:2], col = simul$theta, pch = 19)

# Checking marginal proportions of explained variance
mymodel <- lm(simul$data[, 1] ~ as.factor(simul$theta))
summary(mymodel)$r.squared
mymodel <- lm(simul$data[, 2] ~ as.factor(simul$theta))
summary(mymodel)$r.squared
par(oldpar)</pre>
```

SimulateComponents

Data simulation for sparse Principal Component Analysis

# Description

Simulates data with with independent groups of variables.

# Usage

```
SimulateComponents(
 n = 100,
 pk = c(10, 10),
  adjacency = NULL,
 nu_within = 1,
  v_{within} = c(0.5, 1),
  v_{sign} = -1,
  continuous = TRUE,
 pd_strategy = "min_eigenvalue",
  ev_xx = 0.1,
  scale_ev = TRUE,
  u_list = c(1e-10, 1),
  tol = .Machine$double.eps^0.25,
  scale = TRUE,
  output_matrices = FALSE
)
```

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#### **Arguments**

n number of observations in the simulated dataset.

pk vector of the number of variables per group in the simulated dataset. The number of nodes in the simulated graph is sum(pk). With multiple groups, the simulated

of nodes in the simulated graph is sum(pk). With multiple groups, the simulated (partial) correlation matrix has a block structure, where blocks arise from the integration of the length(pk) groups. This argument is only used if theta is

not provided.

adjacency optional binary and symmetric adjacency matrix encoding the conditional graph

structure between observations. The clusters encoded in this argument must be in line with those indicated in pk. Edges in off-diagonal blocks are not allowed to ensure that the simulated orthogonal components are sparse. Corresponding

entries in the precision matrix will be set to zero.

nu\_within probability of having an edge between two nodes belonging to the same group,

as defined in pk. If length(pk)=1, this is the expected density of the graph. If implementation=HugeAdjacency, this argument is only used for topology="random" or topology="cluster" (see argument prob in huge.generator). Only used

if nu\_mat is not provided.

v\_within vector defining the (range of) nonzero entries in the diagonal blocks of the preci-

sion matrix. These values must be between -1 and 1 if pd\_strategy="min\_eigenvalue".

If continuous=FALSE, v\_within is the set of possible precision values. If

continuous=TRUE, v\_within is the range of possible precision values.

v\_sign vector of possible signs for precision matrix entries. Possible inputs are: -1 for

positive partial correlations, 1 for negative partial correlations, or c(-1, 1) for

both positive and negative partial correlations.

continuous logical indicating whether to sample precision values from a uniform distribu-

tion between the minimum and maximum values in v\_within (diagonal blocks) or v\_between (off-diagonal blocks) (if continuous=TRUE) or from proposed values in v\_within (diagonal blocks) or v\_between (off-diagonal blocks) (if

continuous=FALSE).

pd\_strategy method to ensure that the generated precision matrix is positive definite (and

hence can be a covariance matrix). If pd\_strategy="diagonally\_dominant", the precision matrix is made diagonally dominant by setting the diagonal entries to the sum of absolute values on the corresponding row and a constant u. If pd\_strategy="min\_eigenvalue", diagonal entries are set to the sum of the absolute value of the smallest eigenvalue of the precision matrix with zeros on

the diagonal and a constant u.

ev\_xx expected proportion of explained variance by the first Principal Component

(PC1) of a Principal Component Analysis. This is the largest eigenvalue of the correlation (if scale\_ev=TRUE) or covariance (if scale\_ev=FALSE) matrix divided by the sum of eigenvalues. If ev\_xx=NULL (the default), the constant u

is chosen by maximising the contrast of the correlation matrix.

scale\_ev logical indicating if the proportion of explained variance by PC1 should be com-

puted from the correlation (scale\_ev=TRUE) or covariance (scale\_ev=FALSE) matrix. If scale\_ev=TRUE, the correlation matrix is used as parameter of the

multivariate normal distribution.

u\_list vector with two numeric values defining the range of values to explore for con-

stant u.

tol accuracy for the search of parameter u as defined in optimise.

scale logical indicating if the true mean is zero and true variance is one for all simu-

lated variables. The observed mean and variance may be slightly off by chance.

output\_matrices

logical indicating if the true precision and (partial) correlation matrices should

be included in the output.

#### **Details**

The data is simulated from a centered multivariate Normal distribution with a block-diagonal covariance matrix. Independence between variables from the different blocks ensures that sparse orthogonal components can be generated.

The block-diagonal partial correlation matrix is obtained using a graph structure encoding the conditional independence between variables. The orthogonal latent variables are obtained from eigendecomposition of the true correlation matrix. The sparse eigenvectors contain the weights of the linear combination of variables to construct the latent variable (loadings coefficients). The proportion of explained variance by each of the latent variable is computed from eigenvalues.

As latent variables are defined from the true correlation matrix, the number of sparse orthogonal components is not limited by the number of observations and is equal to sum(pk).

#### Value

#### A list with:

data simulated data with n observation and sum(pk) variables.

loadings loadings coefficients of the orthogonal latent variables (principal components).

theta support of the loadings coefficients.

ev proportion of explained variance by each of the orthogonal latent variables.

adjacency adjacency matrix of the simulated graph.

omega simulated (true) precision matrix. Only returned if output\_matrices=TRUE.

phi simulated (true) partial correlation matrix. Only returned if output\_matrices=TRUE.

C simulated (true) correlation matrix. Only returned if output\_matrices=TRUE.

# References

Bodinier B, Filippi S, Nost TH, Chiquet J, Chadeau-Hyam M (2021). "Automated calibration for stability selection in penalised regression and graphical models: a multi-OMICs network application exploring the molecular response to tobacco smoking." https://arxiv.org/abs/2106.02521.

# See Also

#### MakePositiveDefinite

Other simulation functions: SimulateAdjacency(), SimulateClustering(), SimulateCorrelation(), SimulateGraphical(), SimulateRegression(), SimulateStructural()

## **Examples**

```
# Simulation of 3 components with high e.v.
simul <- SimulateComponents(pk = c(5, 3, 4), ev_x = 0.4)
print(simul)
plot(simul)
plot(cumsum(simul\$ev), ylim = c(0, 1), las = 1)
# Simulation of 3 components with moderate e.v.
set.seed(1)
simul <- SimulateComponents(pk = c(5, 3, 4), ev_xx = 0.25)
print(simul)
plot(simul)
plot(cumsum(simul\$ev), ylim = c(0, 1), las = 1)
# Simulation of multiple components with low e.v.
pk <- sample(3:10, size = 5, replace = TRUE)
simul <- SimulateComponents(</pre>
  pk = pk,
  nu_within = 0.3, v_within = c(0.8, 0.5), v_sign = -1, ev_x = 0.1
plot(simul)
plot(cumsum(simul\$ev), ylim = c(0, 1), las = 1)
```

SimulateCorrelation

Simulation of a correlation matrix

# **Description**

Simulates a correlation matrix. This is done in three steps with (i) the simulation of an undirected graph encoding conditional independence, (ii) the simulation of a (positive definite) precision matrix given the graph, and (iii) the re-scaling of the inverse of the precision matrix.

#### Usage

```
SimulateCorrelation(
  pk = 10,
  theta = NULL,
  implementation = HugeAdjacency,
  topology = "random",
  nu_within = 0.1,
  nu_between = NULL,
  nu_mat = NULL,
  v_within = c(0.5, 1),
  v_between = c(0.1, 0.2),
  v_sign = c(-1, 1),
  continuous = TRUE,
```

```
pd_strategy = "diagonally_dominant",
  ev_xx = NULL,
  scale_ev = TRUE,
  u_list = c(1e-10, 1),
  tol = .Machine$double.eps^0.25,
  output_matrices = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

#### **Arguments**

pk vector of the number of variables per group in the simulated dataset. The number

of nodes in the simulated graph is sum(pk). With multiple groups, the simulated (partial) correlation matrix has a block structure, where blocks arise from the integration of the length(pk) groups. This argument is only used if theta is

not provided.

theta optional binary and symmetric adjacency matrix encoding the conditional inde-

pendence structure.

implementation function for simulation of the graph. By default, algorithms implemented in

huge generator are used. Alternatively, a user-defined function can be used. It must take pk, topology and nu as arguments and return a (sum(pk)\*(sum(pk))) binary and symmetric matrix for which diagonal entries are all equal to zero.

This function is only applied if theta is not provided.

topology topology of the simulated graph. If using implementation=HugeAdjacency,

possible values are listed for the argument graph of huge generator. These

are: "random", "hub", "cluster", "band" and "scale-free".

nu\_within probability of having an edge between two nodes belonging to the same group,

as defined in pk. If length(pk)=1, this is the expected density of the graph. If implementation=HugeAdjacency, this argument is only used for topology="random"

or topology="cluster" (see argument prob in huge.generator). Only used

if nu\_mat is not provided.

nu\_between probability of having an edge between two nodes belonging to different groups,

as defined in pk. By default, the same density is used for within and between blocks (nu\_within=nu\_between). Only used if length(pk)>1. Only used if

nu\_mat is not provided.

nu\_mat matrix of probabilities of having an edge between nodes belonging to a given

pair of node groups defined in pk.

v\_within vector defining the (range of) nonzero entries in the diagonal blocks of the preci-

sion matrix. These values must be between -1 and 1 if pd\_strategy="min\_eigenvalue".

If continuous=FALSE, v\_within is the set of possible precision values. If

continuous=TRUE, v\_within is the range of possible precision values.

v\_between vector defining the (range of) nonzero entries in the off-diagonal blocks of the

precision matrix. This argument is the same as v\_within but for off-diagonal

blocks. It is only used if length(pk)>1.

v\_sign vector of possible signs for precision matrix entries. Possible inputs are: -1 for

positive partial correlations, 1 for negative partial correlations, or c(-1, 1) for

both positive and negative partial correlations.

continuous logical indicating whether to sample precision values from a uniform distribu-

tion between the minimum and maximum values in v\_within (diagonal blocks) or v\_between (off-diagonal blocks) (if continuous=TRUE) or from proposed values in v\_within (diagonal blocks) or v\_between (off-diagonal blocks) (if

continuous=FALSE).

pd\_strategy method to ensure that the generated precision matrix is positive definite (and

hence can be a covariance matrix). If pd\_strategy="diagonally\_dominant", the precision matrix is made diagonally dominant by setting the diagonal entries to the sum of absolute values on the corresponding row and a constant u. If pd\_strategy="min\_eigenvalue", diagonal entries are set to the sum of the absolute value of the smallest eigenvalue of the precision matrix with zeros on

the diagonal and a constant u.

ev\_xx expected proportion of explained variance by the first Principal Component

(PC1) of a Principal Component Analysis. This is the largest eigenvalue of the correlation (if  $scale_ev=TRUE$ ) or covariance (if  $scale_ev=FALSE$ ) matrix divided by the sum of eigenvalues. If  $ev_x=NULL$  (the default), the constant u

is chosen by maximising the contrast of the correlation matrix.

scale\_ev logical indicating if the proportion of explained variance by PC1 should be com-

puted from the correlation (scale\_ev=TRUE) or covariance (scale\_ev=FALSE) matrix. If scale\_ev=TRUE, the correlation matrix is used as parameter of the

multivariate normal distribution.

u\_list vector with two numeric values defining the range of values to explore for con-

stant u.

tol accuracy for the search of parameter u as defined in optimise.

output\_matrices

logical indicating if the true precision and (partial) correlation matrices should

be included in the output.

... additional arguments passed to the graph simulation function provided in implementation.

#### Details

In Step 1, the conditional independence structure between the variables is simulated. This is done using SimulateAdjacency.

In Step 2, the precision matrix is simulated using SimulatePrecision so that (i) its nonzero entries correspond to edges in the graph simulated in Step 1, and (ii) it is positive definite (see MakePositiveDefinite).

In Step 3, the covariance is calculated as the inverse of the precision matrix. The correlation matrix is then obtained by re-scaling the covariance matrix (see cov2cor).

#### Value

A list with:

sigma simulated correlation matrix.

omega simulated precision matrix. Only returned if output\_matrices=TRUE.

theta adjacency matrix of the simulated graph. Only returned if output\_matrices=TRUE.

#### See Also

```
SimulatePrecision, MakePositiveDefinite
```

Other simulation functions: SimulateAdjacency(), SimulateClustering(), SimulateComponents(), SimulateGraphical(), SimulateRegression(), SimulateStructural()

```
oldpar <- par(no.readonly = TRUE)</pre>
par(mar = rep(7, 4))
# Random correlation matrix
set.seed(1)
simul <- SimulateCorrelation(pk = 10)</pre>
Heatmap(simul$sigma,
  col = c("navy", "white", "darkred"),
  text = TRUE, format = "f", digits = 2,
  legend_range = c(-1, 1)
# Correlation matrix with homogeneous block structure
set.seed(1)
simul <- SimulateCorrelation(</pre>
  pk = c(5, 5),
  nu_within = 1,
 nu_between = 0,
  v_sign = -1,
  v_within = 1
)
Heatmap(simul$sigma,
  col = c("navy", "white", "darkred"),
  text = TRUE, format = "f", digits = 2,
  legend_range = c(-1, 1)
)
# Correlation matrix with heterogeneous block structure
set.seed(1)
simul <- SimulateCorrelation(</pre>
  pk = c(5, 5),
 nu_within = 0.5,
 nu_between = 0,
  v_sign = -1
)
Heatmap(simul$sigma,
  col = c("navy", "white", "darkred"),
  text = TRUE, format = "f", digits = 2,
  legend_range = c(-1, 1)
)
par(oldpar)
```

SimulateGraphical

Data simulation for Gaussian Graphical Modelling

#### **Description**

Simulates data from a Gaussian Graphical Model (GGM).

#### Usage

```
SimulateGraphical(
  n = 100,
  pk = 10,
  theta = NULL,
  implementation = HugeAdjacency,
  topology = "random",
  nu_within = 0.1,
  nu_between = NULL,
  nu_mat = NULL,
  v_{within} = c(0.5, 1),
  v_{between} = c(0.1, 0.2),
  v_{sign} = c(-1, 1),
  continuous = TRUE,
  pd_strategy = "diagonally_dominant",
  ev_xx = NULL,
  scale_ev = TRUE,
  u_list = c(1e-10, 1),
  tol = .Machine$double.eps^0.25,
  scale = TRUE,
  output_matrices = FALSE,
)
```

### **Arguments**

n number of observations in the simulated dataset.

pk vector of the number of variables per group in the simulated dataset. The number

of nodes in the simulated graph is sum(pk). With multiple groups, the simulated (partial) correlation matrix has a block structure, where blocks arise from the integration of the length(pk) groups. This argument is only used if theta is

not provided.

theta optional binary and symmetric adjacency matrix encoding the conditional inde-

pendence structure.

implementation function for simulation of the graph. By default, algorithms implemented in huge.generator are used. Alternatively, a user-defined function can be used. It must take pk, topology and nu as arguments and return a (sum(pk)\*(sum(pk))) binary and symmetric matrix for which diagonal entries are all equal to zero.

This function is only applied if theta is not provided.

topology topology of the simulated graph. If using implementation=HugeAdjacency, possible values are listed for the argument graph of huge.generator. These

are: "random", "hub", "cluster", "band" and "scale-free".

nu\_within probability of having an edge between two nodes belonging to the same group,

as defined in pk. If length(pk)=1, this is the expected density of the graph. If implementation=HugeAdjacency, this argument is only used for topology="random" or topology="cluster" (see argument prob in huge.generator). Only used

if nu\_mat is not provided.

nu\_between probability of having an edge between two nodes belonging to different groups,

> as defined in pk. By default, the same density is used for within and between blocks (nu\_within=nu\_between). Only used if length(pk)>1. Only used if

nu\_mat is not provided.

nu\_mat matrix of probabilities of having an edge between nodes belonging to a given

pair of node groups defined in pk.

v within vector defining the (range of) nonzero entries in the diagonal blocks of the preci-

sion matrix. These values must be between -1 and 1 if pd\_strategy="min\_eigenvalue".

If continuous=FALSE, v\_within is the set of possible precision values. If

continuous=TRUE, v\_within is the range of possible precision values.

vector defining the (range of) nonzero entries in the off-diagonal blocks of the v between

precision matrix. This argument is the same as v\_within but for off-diagonal

blocks. It is only used if length(pk)>1.

vector of possible signs for precision matrix entries. Possible inputs are: -1 for v\_sign

positive partial correlations, 1 for negative partial correlations, or c(-1, 1) for

both positive and negative partial correlations.

logical indicating whether to sample precision values from a uniform distribucontinuous

> tion between the minimum and maximum values in v\_within (diagonal blocks) or v\_between (off-diagonal blocks) (if continuous=TRUE) or from proposed values in v\_within (diagonal blocks) or v\_between (off-diagonal blocks) (if

continuous=FALSE).

method to ensure that the generated precision matrix is positive definite (and pd\_strategy

> hence can be a covariance matrix). If pd\_strategy="diagonally\_dominant", the precision matrix is made diagonally dominant by setting the diagonal entries to the sum of absolute values on the corresponding row and a constant u. If pd\_strategy="min\_eigenvalue", diagonal entries are set to the sum of the absolute value of the smallest eigenvalue of the precision matrix with zeros on

the diagonal and a constant u.

expected proportion of explained variance by the first Principal Component ev\_xx

> (PC1) of a Principal Component Analysis. This is the largest eigenvalue of the correlation (if scale\_ev=TRUE) or covariance (if scale\_ev=FALSE) matrix divided by the sum of eigenvalues. If ev\_xx=NULL (the default), the constant u

is chosen by maximising the contrast of the correlation matrix.

scale\_ev logical indicating if the proportion of explained variance by PC1 should be com-

puted from the correlation (scale\_ev=TRUE) or covariance (scale\_ev=FALSE) matrix. If scale\_ev=TRUE, the correlation matrix is used as parameter of the

multivariate normal distribution.

u\_list vector with two numeric values defining the range of values to explore for con-

stant u.

tol accuracy for the search of parameter u as defined in optimise.

scale logical indicating if the true mean is zero and true variance is one for all simu-

lated variables. The observed mean and variance may be slightly off by chance.

output\_matrices

logical indicating if the true precision and (partial) correlation matrices should

be included in the output.

... additional arguments passed to the graph simulation function provided in implementation.

#### **Details**

The simulation is done in two steps with (i) generation of a graph, and (ii) sampling from multivariate Normal distribution for which nonzero entries in the partial correlation matrix correspond to the edges of the simulated graph. This procedure ensures that the conditional independence structure between the variables corresponds to the simulated graph.

Step 1 is done using SimulateAdjacency.

In Step 2, the precision matrix (inverse of the covariance matrix) is simulated using SimulatePrecision so that (i) its nonzero entries correspond to edges in the graph simulated in Step 1, and (ii) it is positive definite (see MakePositiveDefinite). The inverse of the precision matrix is used as covariance matrix to simulate data from a multivariate Normal distribution.

The outputs of this function can be used to evaluate the ability of a graphical model to recover the conditional independence structure.

#### Value

#### A list with:

data simulated data with n observation and sum(pk) variables.

theta adjacency matrix of the simulated graph.

omega simulated (true) precision matrix. Only returned if output\_matrices=TRUE.

phi simulated (true) partial correlation matrix. Only returned if output\_matrices=TRUE.

sigma simulated (true) covariance matrix. Only returned if output\_matrices=TRUE.

value of the constant u used for the simulation of omega. Only returned if

output\_matrices=TRUE.

#### References

Bodinier B, Filippi S, Nost TH, Chiquet J, Chadeau-Hyam M (2021). "Automated calibration for stability selection in penalised regression and graphical models: a multi-OMICs network application exploring the molecular response to tobacco smoking." https://arxiv.org/abs/2106.02521.

#### See Also

```
SimulatePrecision, MakePositiveDefinite
```

Other simulation functions: SimulateAdjacency(), SimulateClustering(), SimulateComponents(), SimulateCorrelation(), SimulateRegression(), SimulateStructural()

```
oldpar <- par(no.readonly = TRUE)
par(mar = rep(7, 4))
# Simulation of random graph with 50 nodes
set.seed(1)
simul <- SimulateGraphical(n = 100, pk = 50, topology = "random", nu_within = 0.05)</pre>
print(simul)
plot(simul)
# Simulation of scale-free graph with 20 nodes
simul <- SimulateGraphical(n = 100, pk = 20, topology = "scale-free")</pre>
plot(simul)
# Extracting true precision/correlation matrices
set.seed(1)
simul <- SimulateGraphical(</pre>
 n = 100, pk = 20,
  topology = "scale-free", output_matrices = TRUE
)
str(simul)
# Simulation of multi-block data
set.seed(1)
pk < -c(20, 30)
simul <- SimulateGraphical(</pre>
  n = 100, pk = pk,
  pd_strategy = "min_eigenvalue"
)
mycor <- cor(simul$data)</pre>
Heatmap(mycor,
  col = c("darkblue", "white", "firebrick3"),
  legend_range = c(-1, 1), legend_length = 50,
  legend = FALSE, axes = FALSE
)
for (i in 1:2) {
  axis(side = i, at = c(0.5, pk[1] - 0.5), labels = NA)
    side = i, at = mean(c(0.5, pk[1] - 0.5)),
    labels = ifelse(i == 1, yes = "Group 1", no = "Group 2"),
    tick = FALSE, cex.axis = 1.5
  axis(side = i, at = c(pk[1] + 0.5, sum(pk) - 0.5), labels = NA)
    side = i, at = mean(c(pk[1] + 0.5, sum(pk) - 0.5)),
```

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```
labels = ifelse(i == 1, yes = "Group 2", no = "Group 1"),
    tick = FALSE, cex.axis = 1.5
  )
}
# User-defined function for graph simulation
CentralNode <- function(pk, hub = 1) {</pre>
  theta <- matrix(0, nrow = sum(pk), ncol = sum(pk))</pre>
  theta[hub, ] <- 1
  theta[, hub] <- 1
  diag(theta) <- 0</pre>
  return(theta)
simul <- SimulateGraphical(n = 100, pk = 10, implementation = CentralNode)</pre>
plot(simul) # star
simul <- SimulateGraphical(n = 100, pk = 10, implementation = CentralNode, hub = 2)</pre>
plot(simul) # variable 2 is the central node
# User-defined adjacency matrix
mytheta <- matrix(c(</pre>
  0, 1, 1, 0,
  1, 0, 0, 0,
  1, 0, 0, 1,
  0, 0, 1, 0
), ncol = 4, byrow = TRUE)
simul <- SimulateGraphical(n = 100, theta = mytheta)</pre>
plot(simul)
# User-defined adjacency and block structure
simul \leftarrow SimulateGraphical(n = 100, theta = mytheta, pk = c(2, 2))
mycor <- cor(simul$data)</pre>
Heatmap(mycor,
  col = c("darkblue", "white", "firebrick3"),
  legend_range = c(-1, 1), legend_length = 50, legend = FALSE
par(oldpar)
```

SimulatePrecision

Simulation of precision matrix

#### **Description**

Simulates a sparse precision matrix from a binary adjacency matrix theta encoding conditional independence in a Gaussian Graphical Model.

## Usage

```
SimulatePrecision(
```

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```
pk = NULL,
theta,
v_within = c(0.5, 1),
v_between = c(0, 0.1),
v_sign = c(-1, 1),
continuous = TRUE,
pd_strategy = "diagonally_dominant",
ev_xx = NULL,
scale = TRUE,
u_list = c(1e-10, 1),
tol = .Machine$double.eps^0.25
```

#### **Arguments**

pk vector of the number of variables per group in the simulated dataset. The number

of nodes in the simulated graph is sum(pk). With multiple groups, the simulated (partial) correlation matrix has a block structure, where blocks arise from the integration of the length(pk) groups. This argument is only used if theta is

not provided.

theta binary and symmetric adjacency matrix encoding the conditional independence

structure.

v\_within vector defining the (range of) nonzero entries in the diagonal blocks of the preci-

sion matrix. These values must be between -1 and 1 if pd\_strategy="min\_eigenvalue".

If continuous=FALSE, v\_within is the set of possible precision values. If

continuous=TRUE, v\_within is the range of possible precision values.

v\_between vector defining the (range of) nonzero entries in the off-diagonal blocks of the

precision matrix. This argument is the same as v\_within but for off-diagonal

blocks. It is only used if length(pk)>1.

v\_sign vector of possible signs for precision matrix entries. Possible inputs are: -1 for

positive partial correlations, 1 for negative partial correlations, or c(-1, 1) for

both positive and negative partial correlations.

continuous logical indicating whether to sample precision values from a uniform distribu-

tion between the minimum and maximum values in v\_within (diagonal blocks) or v\_between (off-diagonal blocks) (if continuous=TRUE) or from proposed values in v\_within (diagonal blocks) or v\_between (off-diagonal blocks) (if

continuous=FALSE).

pd\_strategy method to ensure that the generated precision matrix is positive definite (and

hence can be a covariance matrix). If pd\_strategy="diagonally\_dominant", the precision matrix is made diagonally dominant by setting the diagonal entries to the sum of absolute values on the corresponding row and a constant u. If pd\_strategy="min\_eigenvalue", diagonal entries are set to the sum of the absolute value of the smallest eigenvalue of the precision matrix with zeros on

the diagonal and a constant u.

ev\_xx expected proportion of explained variance by the first Principal Component

(PC1) of a Principal Component Analysis. This is the largest eigenvalue of the correlation (if scale\_ev=TRUE) or covariance (if scale\_ev=FALSE) matrix

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	divided by the sum of eigenvalues. If ev_xx=NULL (the default), the constant u is chosen by maximising the contrast of the correlation matrix.
scale	logical indicating if the proportion of explained variance by PC1 should be computed from the correlation (scale=TRUE) or covariance (scale=FALSE) matrix.
u_list	vector with two numeric values defining the range of values to explore for constant u.
tol	accuracy for the search of parameter u as defined in optimise.

#### **Details**

Entries that are equal to zero in the adjacency matrix theta are also equal to zero in the generated precision matrix. These zero entries indicate conditional independence between the corresponding pair of variables (see SimulateGraphical).

Argument pk can be specified to create groups of variables and allow for nonzero precision entries to be sampled from different distributions between two variables belonging to the same group or to different groups.

If continuous=FALSE, nonzero off-diagonal entries of the precision matrix are sampled from a discrete uniform distribution taking values in v\_within (for entries in the diagonal block) or v\_between (for entries in off-diagonal blocks). If continuous=TRUE, nonzero off-diagonal entries are sampled from a continuous uniform distribution taking values in the range given by v\_within or v\_between.

Diagonal entries of the precision matrix are defined to ensure positive definiteness as described in MakePositiveDefinite.

#### Value

A list with:

omega true simulated precision matrix.

u value of the constant u used to ensure that omega is positive definite.

## References

Bodinier B, Filippi S, Nost TH, Chiquet J, Chadeau-Hyam M (2021). "Automated calibration for stability selection in penalised regression and graphical models: a multi-OMICs network application exploring the molecular response to tobacco smoking." https://arxiv.org/abs/2106.02521.

#### See Also

```
SimulateGraphical, MakePositiveDefinite
```

```
# Simulation of an adjacency matrix
theta <- SimulateAdjacency(pk = c(5, 5), nu_within = 0.7)
print(theta)
# Simulation of a precision matrix maximising the contrast</pre>
```

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```
simul <- SimulatePrecision(theta = theta)
print(simul$omega)

# Simulation of a precision matrix with specific ev by PC1
simul <- SimulatePrecision(
   theta = theta,
   pd_strategy = "min_eigenvalue",
   ev_xx = 0.3, scale = TRUE
)
print(simul$omega)</pre>
```

 ${\tt Simulate Regression}$ 

Data simulation for multivariate regression

# Description

Simulates data with outcome(s) and predictors, where only a subset of the predictors actually contributes to the definition of the outcome(s).

# Usage

```
SimulateRegression(
  n = 100,
  pk = 10,
  xdata = NULL,
  family = "gaussian",
  q = 1,
  theta = NULL,
  nu_xy = 0.2,
  beta_abs = c(0.1, 1),
  beta_sign = c(-1, 1),
  continuous = TRUE,
  ev_xy = 0.7
)
```

#### **Arguments**

n	number of observations in the simulated dataset. Not used if xdata is provided.
pk	number of predictor variables. A subset of these variables contribute to the outcome definition (see argument nu_xy). Not used if xdata is provided.
xdata	optional data matrix for the predictors with variables as columns and observations as rows. A subset of these variables contribute to the outcome definition (see argument nu_xy).
family	type of regression model. Possible values include "gaussian" for continuous outcome(s) or "binomial" for binary outcome(s).
q	number of outcome variables.

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theta binary matrix with as many rows as predictors and as many columns as out-

comes. A nonzero entry on row  $\boldsymbol{i}$  and column  $\boldsymbol{j}$  indicates that predictor  $\boldsymbol{i}$  con-

tributes to the definition of outcome j.

nu\_xy vector of length q with expected proportion of predictors contributing to the

definition of each of the q outcomes.

beta\_abs vector defining the range of nonzero regression coefficients in absolute val-

ues. If continuous=FALSE, beta\_abs is the set of possible precision values. If continuous=TRUE, beta\_abs is the range of possible precision values. Note that regression coefficients are re-scaled if family="binomial" to ensure that the desired concordance statistic can be achieved (see argument ev\_xy) so they

may not be in this range.

beta\_sign vector of possible signs for regression coefficients. Possible inputs are: 1 for

positive coefficients, -1 for negative coefficients, or c(-1, 1) for both positive

and negative coefficients.

continuous logical indicating whether to sample regression coefficients from a uniform dis-

tribution between the minimum and maximum values in beta\_abs (if continuous=TRUE)

or from proposed values in beta\_abs (if continuous=FALSE).

ev\_xy vector of length q with expected goodness of fit measures for each of the q

outcomes. If family="gaussian", the vector contains expected proportions of variance in each of the q outcomes that can be explained by the predictors. If family="binomial", the vector contains expected concordance statistics (i.e.

area under the ROC curve) given the true probabilities.

#### Value

A list with:

xdata input or simulated predictor data.

ydata simulated outcome data.

beta matrix of true beta coefficients used to generate outcomes in ydata from predic-

tors in xdata.

theta binary matrix indicating the predictors from xdata contributing to the definition

of each of the outcome variables in ydata.

## References

Bodinier B, Filippi S, Nost TH, Chiquet J, Chadeau-Hyam M (2021). "Automated calibration for stability selection in penalised regression and graphical models: a multi-OMICs network application exploring the molecular response to tobacco smoking." https://arxiv.org/abs/2106.02521.

#### See Also

Other simulation functions: SimulateAdjacency(), SimulateClustering(), SimulateComponents(), SimulateCorrelation(), SimulateGraphical(), SimulateStructural()

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```
## Independent predictors
# Univariate continuous outcome
set.seed(1)
simul <- SimulateRegression(pk = 15)</pre>
summary(simul)
# Univariate binary outcome
set.seed(1)
simul <- SimulateRegression(pk = 15, family = "binomial")</pre>
table(simul$ydata)
# Multiple continuous outcomes
set.seed(1)
simul <- SimulateRegression(pk = 15, q = 3)</pre>
summary(simul)
## Blocks of correlated predictors
# Simulation of predictor data
set.seed(1)
xsimul <- SimulateGraphical(pk = rep(5, 3), nu_within = 0.8, nu_between = 0, v_sign = -1)
Heatmap(cor(xsimul$data),
 legend_range = c(-1, 1),
  col = c("navy", "white", "darkred")
# Simulation of outcome data
simul <- SimulateRegression(xdata = xsimul$data)</pre>
print(simul)
summary(simul)
## Choosing expected proportion of explained variance
# Data simulation
set.seed(1)
simul <- SimulateRegression(n = 1000, pk = 15, q = 3, ev_xy = c(0.9, 0.5, 0.2))
summary(simul)
# Comparing with estimated proportion of explained variance
summary(lm(simul$ydata[, 1] ~ simul$xdata))
summary(lm(simul$ydata[, 2] ~ simul$xdata))
summary(lm(simul$ydata[, 3] ~ simul$xdata))
## Choosing expected concordance (AUC)
# Data simulation
set.seed(1)
```

```
simul <- SimulateRegression(
  n = 500, pk = 10,
  family = "binomial", ev_xy = 0.9
)

# Comparing with estimated concordance
fitted <- glm(simul$ydata ~ simul$xdata,
  family = "binomial"
)$fitted.values
Concordance(observed = simul$ydata, predicted = fitted)</pre>
```

SimulateStructural

Data simulation for Structural Causal Modelling

## Description

Simulates data from a multivariate Normal distribution where relationships between the variables correspond to a Structural Causal Model (SCM). To ensure that the generated SCM is identifiable, the nodes are organised by layers, with no causal effects within layers.

#### **Usage**

```
SimulateStructural(
  n = 100,
  pk = c(5, 5, 5),
  theta = NULL,
  n_manifest = NULL,
  nu_between = 0.5,
  v_between = c(0.5, 1),
  v_sign = c(-1, 1),
  continuous = TRUE,
  ev = 0.5,
  ev_manifest = 0.8,
  output_matrices = FALSE
)
```

## **Arguments**

n number of observations in the simulated dataset.

pk vector of the number of (latent) variables per layer.

theta optional binary adjacency matrix of the Directed Acyclic Graph (DAG) of causal relationships. This DAG must have a structure with layers so that a variable can only be a parent of variable in one of the following layers (see LayeredDAG for

examples). The layers must be provided in pk.

n\_manifest vector of the number of manifest (observed) variables measuring each of the la-

tent variables. If n\_manifest=NULL, there are sum(pk) manifest variables and no latent variables. Otherwise, there are sum(pk) latent variables and sum(n\_manifest)

manifact variables. All entries of n manifact must be strictly positive

manifest variables. All entries of n\_manifest must be strictly positive.

nu\_between probability of having an edge between two nodes belonging to different layers,

as defined in pk. If length(pk)=1, this is the expected density of the graph.

v\_between vector defining the (range of) nonzero path coefficients. If continuous=FALSE,

v\_between is the set of possible values. If continuous=TRUE, v\_between is the

range of possible values.

v\_sign vector of possible signs for path coefficients. Possible inputs are: 1 for posi-

tive coefficients, -1 for negative coefficients, or c(-1, 1) for both positive and

negative coefficients.

continuous logical indicating whether to sample path coefficients from a uniform distribu-

tion between the minimum and maximum values in v\_between (if continuous=FALSE)

or from proposed values in v\_between (if continuous=FALSE).

ev vector of proportions of variance in each of the (latent) variables that can be

explained by its parents. If there are no latent variables (if n\_manifest=NULL), these are the proportions of explained variances in the manifest variables. Otherwise (if n\_manifest is provided), these are the proportions of explained variables.

ances in the latent variables.

ev\_manifest vector of proportions of variance in each of the manifest variable that can be

explained by its latent parent. Only used if n\_manifest is provided.

output\_matrices

logical indicating if the true path coefficients, residual variances, and precision

and (partial) correlation matrices should be included in the output.

#### Value

A list with:

data simulated data with n observations for manifest variables.

theta adjacency matrix of the simulated Directed Acyclic Graph encoding causal re-

lationships.

Amat simulated (true) asymmetric matrix A in RAM notation. Only returned if output\_matrices=TRUE.

Smat simulated (true) symmetric matrix S in RAM notation. Only returned if output\_matrices=TRUE.

Fmat simulated (true) filter matrix F in RAM notation. Only returned if output\_matrices=TRUE.

sigma simulated (true) covariance matrix. Only returned if output\_matrices=TRUE.

## References

Jacobucci R, Grimm KJ, McArdle JJ (2016). "Regularized structural equation modeling." *Structural equation modeling: a multidisciplinary journal*, **23**(4), 555–566. doi:10.1080/10705511.2016.1154793.

#### See Also

SimulatePrecision, MakePositiveDefinite, Contrast

Other simulation functions: SimulateAdjacency(), SimulateClustering(), SimulateComponents(), SimulateCorrelation(), SimulateGraphical(), SimulateRegression()

```
# Simulation of a layered SCM
set.seed(1)
pk <- c(3, 5, 4)
simul <- SimulateStructural(n = 100, pk = pk)</pre>
print(simul)
summary(simul)
plot(simul)
# Choosing the proportions of explained variances for endogenous variables
set.seed(1)
simul <- SimulateStructural(</pre>
  n = 1000,
  pk = c(2, 3),
  nu_between = 1,
  ev = c(NA, NA, 0.5, 0.7, 0.9),
  output_matrices = TRUE
)
# Checking expected proportions of explained variances
1 - simul$Smat["x3", "x3"] / simul$sigma["x3", "x3"]
1 - simul$Smat["x4", "x4"] / simul$sigma["x4", "x4"]
1 - simul$Smat["x5", "x5"] / simul$sigma["x5", "x5"]
# Checking observed proportions of explained variances (R-squared)
summary(lm(simul$data[, 3] ~ simul$data[, which(simul$theta[, 3] != 0)]))
summary(lm(simul$data[, 4] ~ simul$data[, which(simul$theta[, 4] != 0)]))
summary(lm(simul$data[, 5] ~ simul$data[, which(simul$theta[, 5] != 0)]))
# Simulation including latent and manifest variables
set.seed(1)
simul <- SimulateStructural(</pre>
  n = 100,
  pk = c(2, 3),
  n_{manifest} = c(2, 3, 2, 1, 2)
plot(simul)
# Showing manifest variables in red
if (requireNamespace("igraph", quietly = TRUE)) {
  mygraph <- plot(simul)</pre>
  ids <- which(igraph::V(mygraph)$name %in% colnames(simul$data))</pre>
  igraph::V(mygraph)$color[ids] <- "red"</pre>
  igraph::V(mygraph)$frame.color[ids] <- "red"</pre>
  plot(mygraph)
}
# Choosing proportions of explained variances for latent and manifest variables
set.seed(1)
simul <- SimulateStructural(</pre>
  n = 100,
  pk = c(3, 2),
```

```
n_manifest = c(2, 3, 2, 1, 2),
ev = c(NA, NA, NA, 0.7, 0.9),
ev_manifest = 0.8,
output_matrices = TRUE
)
plot(simul)

# Checking expected proportions of explained variances
(simul$sigma_full["f4", "f4"] - simul$Smat["f4", "f4"]) / simul$sigma_full["f4", "f4"]
(simul$sigma_full["f5", "f5"] - simul$Smat["f5", "f5"]) / simul$sigma_full["f5", "f5"]
(simul$sigma_full["x1", "x1"] - simul$Smat["x1", "x1"]) / simul$sigma_full["x1", "x1"]
```

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