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LBL: Logistic Bayesian Lasso for Detecting Rare (or Common) Haplotype Association

Description

LBL uses the Bayesian LASSO framework to detect association between a phenotype and haplotypes given the (unphased) genotypes of individuals.

Details

LBL uses Bayesian Lasso to detect rare haplotypes that are associated with common diseases. The current implementation considers dichotomous traits. A future release will include quantitative and survival traits. LBL is capable of handling different study designs: this version of the software is capable of handling independent cases and controls, case-parent trios and a mixture of both (provided that the family data is independent of the case-control data).

A function from the hapassoc package is first used to acquire all compatible haplotypes. The posterior samples are then obtained via Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) algorithm and inference on the parameters of interest can be carried out (Bayes Factor, Credible Interval, etc.) based on these posterior samples.

Functions

LBL: MCMC algorithm to obtain posterior samples for independent case-control data. famLBL: MCMC algorithm to obtain posterior samples for case-parent trio data. cLBL: MCMC algorithm to obtain posterior samples for combined data.

LBL_summary provides model summary (in the form of list) based on posterior samples. print_LBL_summary prints model summary in a user-friendly format from the list result of LBL_summary.

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References


cac

*An example file consisting of independent cases/controls*

data(cac)

Format

A data frame with 500 rows (250 cases and 250 controls) and 16 (= 6 fixed columns + 2 * # of SNPs) columns:

- **column 1** family ID, integers
- **column 2** individual ID, integers
- **column 3** father’s ID, 0 for unknown father.
- **column 4** mother’s ID, 0 for unknown mother.
- **column 5** individual’s sex: 1 = male and 2 = female.
- **column 6** affection status: 0 = unknown, 1 = unaffected, and 2 = affected.
- **column 7 - 16** marker genotypes. Each SNP is represented by two columns: one for each allele.

cLBL

*Bayesian Lasso for Detecting Rare (or Common) Haplotype Association in Population and Family Based Studies*

description

CBBL is an MCMC algorithm that generates posterior samples for a dataset containing both case-control and family trio designs. This function takes standard pedigree format as input. The input does not allow missing observations and subjects with missing data are removed. The function returns an object containing posterior samples after the burn-in period.
Usage

cLBL(data.fam, data.cac, input.freq, baseline = "missing", a = 15,
    b = 15, start.beta = 0.01, lambda = 1, D = 0, seed = NULL,
    burn.in = 10000, num.it = 40000, summary = TRUE, e = 0.1,
    ci.level = 0.95)

Arguments

data.fam The family portion of data. This dataset should consist of "3n" rows and 6+2*p columns, where n is the number of case-parent trios, and p is the number of SNPs. The data should be in standard pedigree format, with the first 6 columns representing the family ID, individual ID, father ID, mother ID, sex, and affection status. The other 2*p columns are genotype data in allelic format, with each allele of a SNP taking up one column. An example can be found in this package under the name "fam". For more information about the format, type "?fam" into R, or see "Linkage Format" section of https://www.broadinstitute.org/haploview/input-file-formats.

data.cac The case-control portion of data. This dataset should consist of "n" rows and 6+2*p columns, where n is the number of individuals of the independent cases and controls, and p is the number of SNPs. The data should be in standard pedigree format, with the first 6 columns representing the family ID, individual ID, father ID, mother ID, sex, and affection status. The other 2*p columns are genotype data in allelic format, with each allele of a SNP taking up one column. An example can be found in this package under the name "cac". For more information about the format, type "?cac" into R, or see "Linkage Format" section of https://www.broadinstitute.org/haploview/input-file-formats.

input.freq Optional. Specify frequency distribution of haplotypes. If not provided, the algorithm will use the estimated frequencies.

baseline Haplotype to be used for baseline coding; default is the most frequent haplotype according to the initial haplotype frequency estimates. This argument should be a character, starting with an h and followed by the baseline haplotype.

a First hyperparameter of the prior for regression coefficients, \( \beta \). The prior variance of \( \beta \) is \( 2/\lambda^2 \) and \( \lambda \) has Gamma(a,b) prior. The Gamma prior parameters a and b are formulated such that the mean and variance of the Gamma distribution are \( a/b \) and \( a/b^2 \). The default value of a is 15.

b Second hyperparameter of the Gamma(a,b) distribution described above; default is 15.

start.beta Starting value of all regression coefficients, \( \beta \); default is 0.01.

lambda Starting value of the \( \lambda \) parameter described above; default is 1.

D Starting value of the D parameter, which is the within-population inbreeding coefficient; default is 0.

seed Seed to be used for the MCMC in Bayesian Lasso; default is a random seed. If exact same results need to be reproduced, seed should be fixed to the same number.

burn.in Burn-in period of the MCMC sampling scheme; default is 10000.

num.it Total number of MCMC iterations including burn-in; default is 40000.

summary Logical. If TRUE, cLBL will return a summary of the analysis. If FALSE, cLBL will return the posterior samples of MCMC. Default is set to be TRUE.
A (small) number $\epsilon$ in the null hypothesis of no association, $H_0 : |\beta| \leq \epsilon$. The default is 0.1. Changing $\epsilon$ from the default of 0.1 may necessitate choosing a different threshold for Bayes Factor (one of the outputs) to infer association. Only used if summary = TRUE.

ci.level Credible probability. The probability that the true value of $\beta$ will be within the credible interval. Default is 0.95, which corresponds to a 95% posterior credible interval. Only used if summary = TRUE.

Value

If summary = FALSE, return a list with the following components:

- **haplotypes** The list of haplotypes used in the analysis. The last column is the reference haplotype.
- **beta** Posterior samples of betas stored in a matrix.
- **lambda** A vector of (num.it-burn.in) posterior samples of lambda.
- **freq** Posterior samples of the frequencies of haplotypes stored in a matrix format, in the same order as haplotypes.
- **init.freq** The haplotype distribution used to initiate the MCMC.

If summary = TRUE, return the result of LBL_summary. For details, see the description of the LBL_summary function.

See Also

LBL, famLBL, LBL_summary, print_LBL_summary, LBL-package.

Examples

```r
data(fam)
data(cac)
combined.obj<-cLBL(data.fam=fam,data.cac=cac)
combined.obj
print_LBL_summary(combined.obj)
```

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**fam**

An example file of case-parent trios

**Description**

A dataset containing the pedigree information, phenotypes and genotypes of 250 case-parent trios in pedigree format.

**Usage**

```r
data(fam)
```
A data frame with 750 rows (250 trios) and 16 (= 6 fixed columns + 2 * # of SNPs) columns:

**column 1** family ID, integers
**column 2** individual ID, integers
**column 3** father’s ID, 0 for unknown father.
**column 4** mother’s ID, 0 for unknown mother.
**column 5** individual’s sex. 1 = male and 2 = female.
**column 6** affection status. 0 = unknown, 1 = unaffected and 2 = affected.
**column 7 - 16** marker genotypes. Each marker is represented by two columns: one for each allele.

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**Description**

**famLBL** is an MCMC algorithm that generates posterior samples for family trio data. This function takes standard pedigree format as input. The input does not allow missing observations and subjects with missing data are removed. The function returns an object containing posterior samples after the burn-in period.

**Usage**

```r
famLBL(data.fam, baseline = "missing", start.beta = 0.01, lambda = 1, D = 0, seed = NULL, a = 15, b = 15, burn.in = 10000, num.it = 40000, summary = TRUE, e = 0.1, ci.level = 0.95)
```

**Arguments**

- `data.fam` The input data. It should consist of "3n" rows and 6+2*p columns, where n is the number of of case-parent trios, and p is the number of SNPs. The data should be in standard pedigree format, with the first 6 columns representing the family ID, individual ID, father ID, mother ID, sex, and affection status. The other 2*p columns are genotype data in allelic format, with each allele of a SNP taking up one column. An example can be found in this package under the name "fam". For more information about the format, type "?fam" into R, or see "Linkage Format" section of [https://www.broadinstitute.org/haploview/input-file-formats](https://www.broadinstitute.org/haploview/input-file-formats).

- `baseline` Haplotype to be used for baseline coding; default is the most frequent haplotype according to the initial haplotype frequency estimates. This argument should be a character, starting with an h and followed by the baseline haplotype.

- `start.beta` Starting value of all regression coefficients, $\beta$; default is 0.01.

- `lambda` Starting value of the $\lambda$ parameter described above; default is 1.

- `D` Starting value of the D parameter, which is the within-population inbreeding coefficient; default is 0.
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- **seed**
  Seed to be used for the MCMC in Bayesian Lasso; default is a random seed. If exact same results need to be reproduced, seed should be fixed to the same number.

- **a**
  First hyperparameter of the prior for regression coefficients, $\beta$. The prior variance of $\beta$ is $2/\lambda^2$ and $\lambda$ has Gamma(a,b) prior. The Gamma prior parameters a and b are formulated such that the mean and variance of the Gamma distribution are $a/b$ and $a/b^2$. The default value of a is 15.

- **b**
  Second hyperparameter of the Gamma(a,b) distribution described above; default is 15.

- **burn.in**
  Burn-in period of the MCMC sampling scheme; default is 10000.

- **num.it**
  Total number of MCMC iterations including burn-in; default is 40000.

- **summary**
  Logical. If TRUE, famLBL will return a summary of the analysis. If FALSE, famLBL will return the posterior samples of MCMC. Default is set to be TRUE.

- **e**
  A (small) number $\epsilon$ in the null hypothesis of no association, $H_0: |\beta| \leq \epsilon$. The default is 0.1. Changing e from the default of 0.1 may necessitate choosing a different threshold for Bayes Factor (one of the outputs) to infer association. Only used if summary = TRUE.

- **ci.level**
  Credible probability. The probability that the true value of $\beta$ will be within the credible interval. Default is 0.95, which corresponds to a 95% posterior credible interval. Only used if summary = TRUE.

**Value**

If summary = FALSE, return a list with the following components:

- **haplotypes** The list of haplotypes used in the analysis. The last column is the reference haplotype.
- **beta** Posterior samples of betas stored in a matrix.
- **lambda** A vector of (num.it-burn.in) posterior samples of lambda.
- **freq** Posterior samples of the frequencies of haplotypes stored in a matrix format, in the same order as haplotypes.
- **init.freq** The haplotype distribution used to initiate the MCMC.

If summary = TRUE, return the result of LBL_summary. For details, see the description of the LBL_summary function.

**See Also**

LBL, cLBL, LBL_summary, print_LBL_summary, LBL-package.

**Examples**

```r
data(fam)
fam.obj<-famLBL(fam)
fam.obj
print_LBL_summary(fam.obj)
```
LBL Logistic Bayesian Lasso for Detecting Rare (and Common) Haplotypic Association in Population Based Designs

Description

LBL is a Bayesian LASSO method developed to detect association between common/rare haplotypes and dichotomous disease phenotype, based on MCMC algorithm. This function will handle independent case/control study design. For other types of study designs, see FamLBL and cLBL. This function takes standard pedigree format as input with an individual’s genotypes, phenotype and familiar relationships. The input does not allow missing observations, and therefore subjects with missing data are removed. This function returns an object containing posterior samples after the burn-in period.

Usage

LBL(data.cac, baseline = "missing", a = 15, b = 15,
start.beta = 0.01, lambda = 1, D = 0, seed = NULL,
burn.in = 10000, num.it = 40000, summary = T, e = 0.1,
.ci.level = 0.95)

Arguments

data.cac Input data. data.cac should be either a data frame or a matrix, consisting of "n" rows and 6+2*p columns, where n is the number of cases and controls, and p is the number of SNPs. The data should be in standard pedigree format, with the first 6 columns representing the family ID, individual ID, father ID, mother ID, sex, and affection status. The other 2*p columns are genotype data in allelic format, with each allele of a SNP taking up one column. An example can be found in this package under the name "cac". For more information about the format, type "?cac" into R, or see "Linkage Format" section of https://www.broadinstitute.org/haploview/input-file-formats. Note that since these are independent case-control data, the father ID and mother ID are missing (coded as 0) and each individual has an unique family ID.

baseline Haplotype to be used for baseline coding; default is the most frequent haplotype according to the initial haplotype frequency estimates. This argument should be a character, starting with an h and followed by the SNPs at each marker locus, for example, if the desired baseline haplotype is 0 1 1 0 0, then baseline should be coded as "h01100".

a First hyperparameter of the prior for regression coefficients, $\beta$. The prior variance of $\beta$ is $2/\lambda^2$ and $\lambda$ has Gamma(a,b) prior. The Gamma prior parameters a and b are formulated such that the mean and variance of the Gamma distribution are $a/b$ and $a/b^2$. The default value of a is 15.

b Second hyperparameter of the Gamma(a,b) distribution described above; default is 15.

start.beta Starting value of all regression coefficients, $\beta$; default is 0.01.

lambda Starting value of the $\lambda$ parameter described above; default is 1.

D Starting value of the D parameter, which is the within-population inbreeding coefficient; default is 0.
Seed to be used for the MCMC in Bayesian Lasso; default is a random seed. If exact same results need to be reproduced, seed should be fixed to the same number.

Burn-in period of the MCMC sampling scheme; default is 10000.

Total number of MCMC iterations including burn-in; default is 40000.

Logical. If TRUE, LBL will return a summary of the analysis in the form of a list. If FALSE, LBL will return the posterior samples for all parameters. Default is set to be TRUE.

A (small) number $\epsilon$ in the null hypothesis of no association, $H_0 : |\beta| \leq \epsilon$. The default is 0.1. Changing $\epsilon$ from the default of 0.1 may necessitate choosing a different threshold for Bayes Factor (one of the outputs) to infer association. Only used if summary = TRUE.

Credible probability. The probability that the true value of $\beta$ will be within the credible interval. Default is 0.95, which corresponds to a 95% posterior credible interval. Only used if summary = TRUE.

If summary = FALSE, return a list with the following components:

- **haplotypes** The list of haplotypes used in the analysis. The last column is the reference haplotype.
- **beta** Posterior samples of betas stored in a matrix.
- **lambda** A vector of (num.it-burn.in) posterior samples of lambda.
- **freq** Posterior samples of the frequencies of haplotypes stored in a matrix format, in the same order as haplotypes.
- **init.freq** The haplotype distribution used to initiate the MCMC.

If summary = TRUE, return the result of LBL_summary. For details, see the description of the LBL_summary function.

### See Also

- `famLBL`, `cLBL`, `LBL_summary`, `print_LBL_summary`, `LBL-package`.

### Examples

```r
data(cac)
cac.obj<-LBL(cac)
cac.obj
print_LBL_summary(cac.obj)
```
LBL_summary provides inferences based on the posterior samples. Specifically, this function will return posterior means, credible intervals, and Bayes Factors (BF) estimates for the haplotypic effect coefficients.

Usage

LBL_summary(output, a, b, e = 0.1, ci.level = 0.95)

Arguments

output An object returned by LBL functions (LBL, famLBL, and cLBL) with ‘summary=FALSE’.

a First hyperparameter of the prior for regression coefficients, $\beta$. The prior variance of $\beta$ is $2/\lambda^2$ and $\lambda$ has Gamma(a,b) prior. The Gamma prior parameters $a$ and $b$ are such that the mean and variance of the Gamma distribution are $a/b$ and $a/b^2$. The value will be transferred from LBL functions.

b Second hyperparameter of the Gamma(a,b) distribution described above. The value will be transferred from LBL functions.

e A (small) number $\epsilon$ in the null hypothesis of no association, $H_0: |\beta| \leq \epsilon$. The default is 0.1. Changing e from the default of 0.1 may necessitate choosing a different threshold for Bayes Factor (one of the outputs) to infer association.

ci.level Credible probability.. The probability that the true value of $\beta$ will be within the credible interval. Default is 0.95 which corresponds to a 95% posterior credible interval. Only used if ‘summary = TRUE’.

Value

A list with the following components:

- **haplotypes** The list of haplotypes used in the analysis.
- **OR** Posterior mean of odds ratio.
- **OR.CI** 95% posterior credible sets for the ORs.
- **BF** Bayes Factor estimates based on posterior samples. if the posterior samples are all greater than $\epsilon$, then BF is set to be 999.

printLBL_summary prints list result from LBL_summary function in a more legible style.

Usage

printLBL_summary(LBL_summary_object)
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