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# **Description**

bs() wraps the two main functions of the package in a single one: coglasso(), to build multiple multi-omics networks, and select\_coglasso() to select the best one according to the chosen criterion.

# Usage

```
bs(
  data,
  p = NULL,
  pX = lifecycle::deprecated(),
  lambda_w = NULL,
  lambda_b = NULL,
  c = NULL,
  nlambda_w = NULL,
  nlambda_b = NULL,
  nc = NULL,
  lambda_w_max = NULL,
  lambda_b_max = NULL,
  c_max = NULL,
  lambda_w_min_ratio = NULL,
  lambda_b_min_ratio = NULL,
  c_min = NULL,
  icov_guess = NULL,
  cov_output = FALSE,
  lock_lambdas = FALSE,
  method = "xestars",
  stars_thresh = 0.1,
  stars_subsample_ratio = NULL,
```

```
rep_num = 20,
max_iter = 10,
old_sampling = FALSE,
ebic_gamma = 0.5,
verbose = TRUE
)
```

## **Arguments**

p

data The input multi-omics data set. Rows should be samples, columns should be variables. Variables should be grouped by their assay (e.g. transcripts first, then metabolites). data is a required parameter.

A vector with with the number of variables for each omic layer of the data set (e.g. the number of transcripts, metabolites etc.), in the same order the layers have in the data set. If given a single number, coglasso() assumes that the total of data sets is two, and that the number given is the dimension of the first one.

pX [**Deprecated**] pX is no longer supported. Please use p.

lambda\_w A vector of values for the parameter  $\lambda_w$ , the penalization parameter for the

"within" interactions. Overrides nlambda\_w.

lambda\_b A vector of values for the parameter  $\lambda_b$ , the penalization parameter for the "be-

tween" interactions. Overrides nlambda\_b.

c A vector of values for the parameter c, the weight given to collaboration. Over-

rides nc.

nlambda\_w The number of requested  $\lambda_w$  parameters to explore. A sequence of size nlambda\_w

of  $\lambda_w$  parameters will be generated. Defaults to 8. Ignored when lambda\_w is

set by the user.

nlambda\_b The number of requested  $\lambda_b$  parameters to explore. A sequence of size nlambda\_b

of  $\lambda_b$  parameters will be generated. Defaults to 8. Ignored when lambda\_b is

set by the user.

nc The number of requested c parameters to explore. A sequence of size nc of c

parameters will be generated. Defaults to 5. Ignored when c is set by the user.

lambda\_w\_max The greatest generated  $\lambda_w$ . By default it is computed with a data-driven ap-

proach. Ignored when lambda\_w is set by the user.

lambda\_b\_max The greatest generated  $\lambda_b$ . By default it is computed with a data-driven ap-

proach. Ignored when lambda\_b is set by the user.

c\_max The greatest c explored. Defaults to 100. Ignored when c is set by the user.

lambda\_w\_min\_ratio

The ratio of the smallest generated  $\lambda_w$  over the greatest generated  $\lambda_w$ . Defaults to 0.1. Ignored when lambda\_w is set by the user.

lambda\_b\_min\_ratio

The ratio of the smallest generated  $\lambda_b$  over the greatest generated  $\lambda_b$ . Defaults

to 0.1. Ignored when lambda\_b is set by the user.

c\_min The the smallest c explored. Defaults to  $\frac{1}{c_{max}}$ , so to 0.01 if c\_max is not set by

the user. Ignored when c is set by the user.

icov_guess	Use a predetermined inverse covariance matrix as an initial guess for the network estimation.
cov_output	Add the estimated variance-covariance matrix to the output.
lock_lambdas	Set $\lambda_w=\lambda_b$ . Force a single lambda parameter for both "within" and "between" interactions.
method	The model selection method to select the best combination of hyperparameters. The available options are "xstars", "xestars" and "eBIC". Defaults to "xestars".
stars_thresh	The threshold set for variability of the explored networks at each iteration of the algorithm. The $\lambda_w$ or the $\lambda_b$ associated to the most stable network before the threshold is overcome is selected.
stars_subsampl	e_ratio
	The proportion of samples in the multi-omics data set to be randomly subsampled to estimate the variability of the network under the given hyperparameters setting. Defaults to 80% when the number of samples is smaller than 144, otherwise it defaults to $\frac{10}{n}\sqrt{n}$ .
rep_num	The amount of subsamples of the multi-omics data set used to estimate the variability of the network under the given hyperparameters setting. Defaults to 20.
max_iter	The greatest number of times the algorithm is allowed to choose a new best $\lambda_w$ . Defaults to 10.
old_sampling	Perform the same subsampling xstars() would if set to TRUE. Makes a difference with bigger data sets, where computing a correlation matrix could take significantly longer. Defaults to FALSE.
ebic_gamma	The $\gamma$ tuning parameter for <i>eBIC</i> selection, to set between 0 and 1. When set to 0 one has the standard <i>BIC</i> . Defaults to 0.5.
verbose	Print information regarding the network building and the network selection processes.

## **Details**

When using bs(), first, coglasso() estimates multiple multi-omics networks with the algorithm collaborative graphical lasso, one for each combination of input values for the hyperparameters  $\lambda_w$ ,  $\lambda_b$  and c. Then, select\_coglasso() selects the best combination of hyperparameters given to coglasso() according to the selected model selection method. The three available options that can be set for the argument method are "xstars", "xestars" and "ebic". For more information on these selection methods, visit the help page of select\_coglasso().

#### Value

bs() returns an object of S3 class select\_coglasso containing several elements. The most important is probably sel\_adj, the adjacency matrix of the selected network. Some output elements depend on the chosen model selection method.

These elements are always returned, and they are the result of network estimation with coglasso():

- loglik is a numerical vector containing the *log* likelihoods of all the estimated networks.
- density is a numerical vector containing a measure of the density of all the estimated networks.

- df is an integer vector containing the degrees of freedom of all the estimated networks.
- convergence is a binary vector containing whether a network was successfully estimated for the given combination of hyperparameters or not.
- path is a list containing the adjacency matrices of all the estimated networks.
- icov is a list containing the inverse covariance matrices of all the estimated networks.
- nexploded is the number of combinations of hyperparameters for which coglasso() failed to converge.
- data is the input multi-omics data set.
- hpars is the ordered table of all the combinations of hyperparameters given as input to bs(), with  $\alpha(\lambda_w + \lambda_b)$  being the key to sort rows.
- lambda\_w, lambda\_b, and c are numerical vectors with, respectively, all the  $\lambda_w$ ,  $\lambda_b$ , and c values bs() used.
- p is the vector with the number of variables for each omic layer of the data set.
- D is the number of omics layers in the data set.
- cov optional, returned when cov\_output is TRUE, is a list containing the variance-covariance matrices of all the estimated networks.

These elements are returned by all selection methods available:

- sel\_index\_c, sel\_index\_lw and sel\_index\_lb are the indexes of the final selected parameters c,  $\lambda_w$  and  $\lambda_b$  leading to the most stable sparse network.
- sel\_c, sel\_lambda\_w and sel\_lambda\_b are the final selected parameters c,  $\lambda_w$  and  $\lambda_b$  leading to the most stable sparse network.
- sel\_adj is the adjacency matrix of the final selected network.
- sel\_density is the density of the final selected network.
- sel\_icov is the inverse covariance matrix of the final selected network.
- sel\_cov optional, given only when coglasso() was called with cov\_output = TRUE. It is the covariance matrix associated with the final selected network.
- call is the matched call.
- method is the chosen model selection method.

These are the additional elements returned when choosing "xestars" or "xstars":

- merge is the "merged" adjacency matrix, the average of all the adjacency matrices estimated across all the different subsamples for the selected combination of  $\lambda_w$ ,  $\lambda_b$ , and c values in the last path explored before convergence. Each entry is a measure of how recurrent the corresponding edge is across the subsamples.
- variability\_lw, variability\_lb and variability\_c are numeric vectors of as many items as the number of  $\lambda_w$ ,  $\lambda_b$ , and c values explored. Each item is the variability of the network estimated for the corresponding hyperparameter value, keeping the other two hyperparameters fixed to their selected value.
- sel\_variability is the variability of the final selected network.

These are the additional elements returned when choosing "ebic":

 ebic\_scores is a numerical vector containing the eBIC scores for all the hyperparameter combination. 6 coglasso

# **Examples**

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Estimate networks from a multi-omics data set

# Description

coglasso() estimates multiple multi-omics networks with the algorithm *collaborative graphical lasso*, one for each combination of input values for the hyperparameters  $\lambda_w$ ,  $\lambda_b$  and c.

# Usage

```
coglasso(
  data,
  p = NULL,
  pX = lifecycle::deprecated(),
  lambda_w = NULL,
  lambda_b = NULL,
  c = NULL,
  nlambda_w = NULL,
  nlambda_b = NULL,
  nc = NULL,
  lambda_w_max = NULL,
  lambda_b_max = NULL,
  c_max = NULL,
  lambda_w_min_ratio = NULL,
  lambda_b_min_ratio = NULL,
  c_min = NULL,
  icov_guess = NULL,
  cov_output = FALSE,
  lock_lambdas = FALSE,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

## **Arguments**

data

The input multi-omics data set. Rows should be samples, columns should be variables. Variables should be grouped by their assay (e.g. transcripts first, then metabolites). data is a required parameter.

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p	A vector with with the number of variables for each omic layer of the data set (e.g. the number of transcripts, metabolites etc.), in the same order the layers have in the data set. If given a single number, coglasso() assumes that the total of data sets is two, and that the number given is the dimension of the first one.	
pX	[Deprecated] pX is no longer supported. Please use p.	
lambda_w	A vector of values for the parameter $\lambda_w$ , the penalization parameter for the "within" interactions. Overrides nlambda_w.	
lambda_b	A vector of values for the parameter $\lambda_b$ , the penalization parameter for the "between" interactions. Overrides nlambda_b.	
С	A vector of values for the parameter $c$ , the weight given to collaboration. Overrides nc.	
nlambda_w	The number of requested $\lambda_w$ parameters to explore. A sequence of size nlambda_w of $\lambda_w$ parameters will be generated. Defaults to 8. Ignored when lambda_w is set by the user.	
nlambda_b	The number of requested $\lambda_b$ parameters to explore. A sequence of size nlambda_b of $\lambda_b$ parameters will be generated. Defaults to 8. Ignored when lambda_b is set by the user.	
nc	The number of requested $c$ parameters to explore. A sequence of size nc of $c$ parameters will be generated. Defaults to 5. Ignored when c is set by the user.	
lambda_w_max	The greatest generated $\lambda_w$ . By default it is computed with a data-driven approach. Ignored when lambda_w is set by the user.	
lambda_b_max	The greatest generated $\lambda_b$ . By default it is computed with a data-driven approach. Ignored when lambda_b is set by the user.	
c_max	The greatest $c$ explored. Defaults to 100. Ignored when c is set by the user.	
lambda_w_min_ra	atio	
	The ratio of the smallest generated $\lambda_w$ over the greatest generated $\lambda_w$ . Defaults to 0.1. Ignored when lambda_w is set by the user.	
lambda_b_min_ratio		
	The ratio of the smallest generated $\lambda_b$ over the greatest generated $\lambda_b$ . Defaults to 0.1. Ignored when lambda_b is set by the user.	
c_min	The the smallest $c$ explored. Defaults to $\frac{1}{c_{max}}$ , so to 0.01 if c_max is not set by the user. Ignored when c is set by the user.	
icov_guess	Use a predetermined inverse covariance matrix as an initial guess for the network estimation.	
cov_output	Add the estimated variance-covariance matrix to the output.	
lock_lambdas	Set $\lambda_w = \lambda_b$ . Force a single lambda parameter for both "within" and "between" interactions.	
verbose	Print information regarding current coglasso run on the console.	

# Value

coglasso() returns an object of S3 class coglasso, that has the following elements:

ullet loglik is a numerical vector containing the log likelihoods of all the estimated networks.

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 density is a numerical vector containing a measure of the density of all the estimated networks.

- df is an integer vector containing the degrees of freedom of all the estimated networks.
- convergence is a binary vector containing whether a network was successfully estimated for the given combination of hyperparameters or not.
- path is a list containing the adjacency matrices of all the estimated networks.
- icov is a list containing the inverse covariance matrices of all the estimated networks.
- nexploded is the number of combinations of hyperparameters for which coglasso() failed to converge.
- data is the input multi-omics data set.
- hpars is the ordered table of all the combinations of hyperparameters given as input to coglasso(), with  $\alpha(\lambda_w + \lambda_b)$  being the key to sort rows.
- lambda\_w is a numerical vector with all the  $\lambda_w$  values coglasso() used.
- lambda\_b is a numerical vector with all the  $\lambda_b$  values coglasso() used.
- c is a numerical vector with all the c values coglasso() used.
- p is the vector with the number of variables for each omic layer of the data set.
- D is the number of omics layers in the data set.
- icov\_guess optional, returned when icov\_guess is given. It is the predetermined inverse covariance matrix given by the user as an initial guess for the network estimation.
- cov optional, returned when cov\_output is TRUE, is a list containing the variance-covariance matrices of all the estimated networks.
- call is the matched call.

## **Examples**

```
# Typical usage: set the number of hyperparameters to explore
cg <- coglasso(multi_omics_sd_micro,
   p = c(4, 2), nlambda_w = 3,
   nlambda_b = 3, nc = 3, verbose = FALSE
)

# Model selection using eXtended Efficient StARS, takes less than five seconds
sel_cg_xestars <- select_coglasso(cg, method = "xestars", verbose = FALSE)</pre>
```

get\_network

Extract a coglasso network

## **Description**

get\_network() extracts the selected network from a select\_coglasso object, or a different specific one from either a select\_coglasso or a coglasso object when specifying the optional parameters.

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## Usage

```
get_network(sel_cg_obj, index_c = NULL, index_lw = NULL, index_lb = NULL)
```

## **Arguments**

sel_cg_obj	The object of S3 class select_coglasso or of S3 class coglasso.
index_c	The index of the $c$ value different from the one selected by model selection. To set only if the desired network is not the selected one.
index_lw	The index of the $\lambda_w$ value of the chosen non-optimal network. To set only if the desired network is not the selected one.
index_lb	The index of the $\lambda_b$ value of the chosen non-optimal network. To set only if the desired network is not the selected one.

#### **Details**

If the input is a coglasso object, it is necessary to specify all the indexes to extract the chosen network

If the input is a select\_coglasso object, it extracts by default the selected network. If the selection method was "ebic", and you want to extract a different network than the selected one, specify all indexes. Otherwise, if the objective is to extract the optimal network for a specific c value different than the selected one, set index\_c to your chosen one. Also here it is possible to extract a specific non-optimal network by setting all the indexes to the chosen ones.

# Value

get\_network() returns the selected network, in the form of an object of class igraph.

#### **Examples**

get\_pcor

Extract a coglasso partial correlation matrix

# **Description**

get\_pcor() extracts the selected partial correlation matrix from a select\_coglasso object, or a different specific one from either a select\_coglasso or a coglasso object when specifying the optional parameters.

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#### Usage

```
get_pcor(sel_cg_obj, index_c = NULL, index_lw = NULL, index_lb = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

sel_cg_obj	The object of S3 class select_coglasso or of S3 class coglasso.
index_c	The index of the $c$ value different from the one selected by model selection. To set only if the desired partial correlation matrix is not the selected one.
index_lw	The index of the $\lambda_w$ value of the chosen non-optimal partial correlation matrix. To set only if the desired partial correlation matrix is not the selected one.
index_lb	The index of the $\lambda_b$ value of the chosen non-optimal partial correlation matrix. To set only if the desired partial correlation matrix is not the selected one.

#### **Details**

If the input is a coglasso object, it is necessary to specify all the indexes to extract the chosen partial correlation matrix.

If the input is a select\_coglasso object, it extracts by default the selected partial correlation matrix. If the selection method was "ebic", and you want to extract a different partial correlation matrix than the selected one, specify all indexes. Otherwise, if the objective is to extract the optimal partial correlation matrix for a specific c value different than the selected one, set index\_c to your chosen one. Also here it is possible to extract a specific non-optimal partial correlation matrix by setting all the indexes to the chosen ones.

# Value

get\_pcor() returns the selected partial correlation matrix.

#### **Examples**

multi\_omics\_sd

Multi-omics dataset of sleep deprivation in mouse

# Description

A dataset containing transcript and metabolite values analysed in Albanese et al. 2023, subset of the multi-omics data set published in Jan, M., Gobet, N., Diessler, S. et al. A multi-omics digital research object for the genetics of sleep regulation. Sci Data 6, 258 (2019).

multi\_omics\_sd\_small is a smaller version, limited to the transcript Cirbp and the transcripts and metabolites belonging to its neighborhood as described in Albanese et al. 2023

multi\_omics\_sd\_micro is a minimal version with Cirbp and a selection of its neighborhood.

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#### Usage

```
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multi_omics_sd_micro
```

#### **Format**

multi\_omics\_sd:

A data frame with 30 rows and 238 variables (162 transcripts and 76 metabolites):

**Plin4 to Tfrc** log2 CPM values of 162 transcripts in mouse cortex under sleep deprivation (-4.52–10.46)

Ala to SM C24:1 abundance values of 76 metabolites (0.02–1112.67)

multi\_omics\_sd\_small:

A data frame with 30 rows and 19 variables (14 transcripts and 5 metabolites)

**Cirbp to Stip1** log2 CPM values of 14 transcripts in mouse cortex under sleep deprivation (4.24–9.31)

Phe to PC ae C32:2 Abundance values of 5 metabolites (0.17–145.33)

multi\_omics\_sd\_micro:

A data frame with 30 rows and 6 variables (4 transcripts and 2 metabolites)

**Cirbp to Dnajb11** log2 CPM values of 4 transcripts in mouse cortex under sleep deprivation (4.78–9.31)

**Trp to PC aa C36:3** Abundance values of 2 metabolites (58.80–145.33)

## Source

Jan, M., Gobet, N., Diessler, S. et al. A multi-omics digital research object for the genetics of sleep regulation. Sci Data 6, 258 (2019) doi:10.1038/s415970190171x

Figshare folder of the original manuscript: https://figshare.com/articles/dataset/Input\_data\_for\_systems\_genetics\_of\_sleep\_regulation/7797434

plot.select\_coglasso Plot selected coglasso networks

## **Description**

plot.select\_coglasso() creates an annotated plot of a coglasso selected network from an object of S3 class select\_coglasso. Variables from different data sets will have different color coding. To plot the network, it's enough to use plot() call on the select\_coglasso object.

plot.coglasso() has the same functioning as select\_coglasso.plot(), but from an object of S3 class coglasso. In this case, it is compulsory to specify index\_c, index\_lw, and index\_lb.

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## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'select_coglasso'
plot(
  х,
  index_c = NULL,
  index_lw = NULL,
  index_lb = NULL,
  node_labels = TRUE,
  hide_isolated = TRUE,
)
## S3 method for class 'coglasso'
plot(
 х,
  index_c,
  index_lw,
  index_lb,
  node_labels = TRUE,
 hide_isolated = TRUE,
)
```

# Arguments

X	The object of S3 class select_coglasso.
index_c	The index of the $c$ value different from the one selected by model selection. To set only if the desired network is not the selected one.
index_lw	The index of the $\lambda_w$ value of the chosen non-optimal network. To set only if the desired network is not the selected one.
index_lb	The index of the $\lambda_b$ value of the chosen non-optimal network. To set only if the desired network is not the selected one.
node_labels	Show node names in the network. Defaults to TRUE.
hide_isolated	Hide nodes that are not connected to any other node. Defaults to TRUE.
	System required, not used here.

#### **Details**

If the input is a coglasso object, it is necessary to specify all the indexes to extract the chosen network.

If the input is a select\_coglasso object, it extracts by default the selected network. If the selection method was "ebic", and you want to extract a different network than the selected one, specify all indexes. Otherwise, if the objective is to extract the optimal network for a specific c value different than the selected one, set index\_c to your chosen one. Also here it is possible to extract a specific non-optimal network by setting all the indexes to the chosen ones.

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#### Value

Returns NULL, invisibly.

#### See Also

get\_network() to understand what it means to select a specific network with index\_c, index\_lw,
and index\_lb.

# **Examples**

select\_coglasso

Select the best coglasso network

## **Description**

select\_coglasso() selects the best combination of hyperparameters given to coglasso() according to the selected model selection method. The three available options that can be set for the argument method are "xstars", "xestars" and "ebic".

# Usage

```
select_coglasso(
  coglasso_obj,
  method = "xestars",
  stars_thresh = 0.1,
  stars_subsample_ratio = NULL,
  rep_num = 20,
  max_iter = 10,
  old_sampling = FALSE,
  ebic_gamma = 0.5,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

# Arguments

coglasso\_obj The object of S3 class coglasso returned by coglasso().

method The model selection method to select the best combination of hyperparameters.

The available options are "xstars", "xestars" and "eBIC". Defaults to "xestars".

stars\_thresh The threshold set for variability of the explored networks at each iteration of the

algorithm. The  $\lambda_w$  or the  $\lambda_b$  associated to the most stable network before the threshold is overcome is selected.

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stars\_subsample\_ratio The proportion of samples in the multi-omics data set to be randomly subsampled to estimate the variability of the network under the given hyperparameters setting. Defaults to 80% when the number of samples is smaller than 144, otherwise it defaults to  $\frac{10}{n}\sqrt{n}$ . The amount of subsamples of the multi-omics data set used to estimate the varirep\_num ability of the network under the given hyperparameters setting. Defaults to 20. max\_iter The greatest number of times the algorithm is allowed to choose a new best  $\lambda_w$ . Defaults to 10. Perform the same subsampling xstars() would if set to TRUE. Makes a difold\_sampling ference with bigger data sets, where computing a correlation matrix could take significantly longer. Defaults to FALSE. The  $\gamma$  tuning parameter for *eBIC* selection, to set between 0 and 1. When set to ebic\_gamma

0 one has the standard *BIC*. Defaults to 0.5.

verbose Print information regarding the progress of the selection procedure on the con-

sole.

#### **Details**

select\_coglasso() provides three model selection strategies:

- "xstars" uses eXtended StARS (XStARS) selecting the most stable, yet sparse network. Stability is computed upon network estimation from multiple subsamples of the multi-omics data set, allowing repetition. Subsamples are collected for a fixed amount of times (rep\_num), and with a fixed proportion of the total number of samples (stars\_subsample\_ratio). See xstars() for more information on the methodology.
- "xestars" uses eXtended Efficient StARS (XEStARS), a significantly faster version of XStARS. It could produce marginally different results to "xstars" due to a different sampling strategy. See xestars() for more information on the methodology.
- "ebic" uses the extended Bayesian Information Criterion (eBIC) selecting the network that minimizes it. gamma sets the wait given to the extended component, turning the model selection method to the standard BIC if set to 0.

#### Value

select\_coglasso() returns an object of S3 class select\_coglasso containing the results of the selection procedure, built upon an object of S3 class coglasso. Some output elements depend on the chosen model selection method.

These elements are returned by all methods:

- ... are the same elements returned by coglasso().
- sel\_index\_c, sel\_index\_lw and sel\_index\_lb are the indexes of the final selected parameters c,  $\lambda_w$  and  $\lambda_b$  leading to the most stable sparse network.
- sel\_c, sel\_lambda\_w and sel\_lambda\_b are the final selected parameters c,  $\lambda_w$  and  $\lambda_b$  leading to the most stable sparse network.
- sel\_adj is the adjacency matrix of the final selected network.
- sel\_density is the density of the final selected network.

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- sel\_icov is the inverse covariance matrix of the final selected network.
- sel\_cov optional, given only when coglasso() was called with cov\_output = TRUE. It is the covariance matrix associated with the final selected network.
- call is the matched call.
- method is the chosen model selection method.

These are the additional elements returned when choosing "xestars" or "xstars":

- merge is the "merged" adjacency matrix, the average of all the adjacency matrices estimated across all the different subsamples for the selected combination of  $\lambda_w$ ,  $\lambda_b$ , and c values in the last path explored before convergence. Each entry is a measure of how recurrent the corresponding edge is across the subsamples.
- variability\_lw, variability\_lb and variability\_c are numeric vectors of as many items as the number of  $\lambda_w$ ,  $\lambda_b$ , and c values explored. Each item is the variability of the network estimated for the corresponding hyperparameter value, keeping the other two hyperparameters fixed to their selected value.
- sel\_variability is the variability of the final selected network.

These are the additional elements returned when choosing "ebic":

 ebic\_scores is a numerical vector containing the eBIC scores for all the hyperparameter combination.

# **Examples**

xestars

Efficient stability selection of the best coglasso network

## **Description**

xestars() provides a more efficient and lighter implementation than xstars() to select the combination of hyperparameters given to coglasso() yielding the most stable, yet sparse network. Stability is computed upon network estimation from multiple subsamples of the multi-omics data set, allowing repetition. Subsamples are collected for a fixed amount of times (rep\_num), and with a fixed proportion of the total number of samples (stars\_subsample\_ratio).

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#### Usage

```
xestars(
  coglasso_obj,
  stars_thresh = 0.1,
  stars_subsample_ratio = NULL,
  rep_num = 20,
  max_iter = 10,
  old_sampling = FALSE,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

coglasso\_obj The object of S3 class coglasso returned by coglasso().

stars\_thresh The threshold set for variability of the explored networks at each iteration of the

algorithm. The  $\lambda_w$  or the  $\lambda_b$  associated to the most stable network before the

threshold is overcome is selected.

stars\_subsample\_ratio

The proportion of samples in the multi-omics data set to be randomly subsampled to estimate the variability of the network under the given hyperparameters setting. Defaults to 80% when the number of samples is smaller than 144, oth-

erwise it defaults to  $\frac{10}{n}\sqrt{n}$ .

rep\_num The amount of subsamples of the multi-omics data set used to estimate the vari-

ability of the network under the given hyperparameters setting. Defaults to 20.

max\_iter The greatest number of times the algorithm is allowed to choose a new best  $\lambda_w$ .

Defaults to 10.

old\_sampling Perform the same subsampling xstars() would if set to TRUE. Makes a dif-

ference with bigger data sets, where computing a correlation matrix could take

significantly longer. Defaults to FALSE.

verbose Print information regarding the progress of the selection procedure on the con-

sole.

#### **Details**

eXtended Efficient StARS (XEStARS) is a more efficient and memory-light version of XStARS, the adaptation for collaborative graphical regression of the method published by Liu, H. et al. (2010): Stability Approach to Regularization Selection (StARS). StARS was developed for network estimation regulated by a single penalty parameter, while collaborative graphical lasso needs to explore three different hyperparameters. These all have, to different degree, a direct influence on network sparsity, hence on stability. For every iteration, xstars() explores one of the three parameters ( $\lambda_w$ ,  $\lambda_b$ , or c), keeping the other ones fixed at their previous selected estimate, using the normal, one-dimentional StARS approach, until finding the best combination of the three. What makes it more efficient than xstars() is the different way that the stability check is implemented in the two algorithms. In xstars() (and even in the original StARS), the stability check is performed, for example, for every  $\lambda_w$  value (or  $\lambda_b$ , or c), until all values are explored, and then it when the algorithm selects the one yielding the most stable, yet sparse network, and only then switching to the selection of the following hyperparameter. In xestars(), the stability check becomes a stopping criterion.

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The moment that the stability threshold is passed, the value of the hyperparameter currently being selected is fixed, and the switch to the next one happens immediately, without exploring the whole landscape. This reduces sensibly the number of iterations before convergence to a final network. The original XStARS computes a new subsampling for every time the algorithm switches from optimizing  $\lambda_w$ ,  $\lambda_b$ , or c. This does not allow to compare the hyperparameters on an equal ground, and can slow the selection down with bigger data set or a larger hyperparameter space. To allow a similar subsampling to xstars(), the old\_sampling parameter has been implemented. If set to TRUE, the subsampling is similar to the one xstars() would perform. Otherwise, the subsampling is performed at the beginning of the algorithm once and for all its iterations.

#### Value

xestars() returns an object of S3 class select\_coglasso containing the results of the selection procedure, built upon the object of S3 class coglasso returned by coglasso().

- ... are the same elements returned by coglasso().
- merge is the "merged" adjacency matrix, the average of all the adjacency matrices estimated across all the different subsamples for the selected combination of  $\lambda_w$ ,  $\lambda_b$ , and c values in the last path explored before convergence. Each entry is a measure of how recurrent the corresponding edge is across the subsamples.
- variability\_lw, variability\_lb and variability\_c are numeric vectors of as many items as the number of  $\lambda_w$ ,  $\lambda_b$ , and c values explored. Each item is the variability of the network estimated for the corresponding hyperparameter value, keeping the other two hyperparameters fixed to their selected value.
- sel\_index\_c, sel\_index\_lw and sel\_index\_lb are the indexes of the final selected parameters c,  $\lambda_w$  and  $\lambda_b$  leading to the most stable sparse network.
- sel\_c, sel\_lambda\_w and sel\_lambda\_b are the final selected parameters c,  $\lambda_w$  and  $\lambda_b$  leading to the most stable sparse network.
- sel\_adj is the adjacency matrix of the final selected network.
- sel\_variability is the variability of the final selected network.
- sel\_density is the density of the final selected network.
- sel\_icov is the inverse covariance matrix of the final selected network.
- sel\_cov optional, given only when coglasso() was called with cov\_output = TRUE. It is the covariance matrix associated with the final selected network.
- call is the matched call.
- method is the chosen model selection method. Here, it is "xestars".

# **Examples**

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