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Description

This package contains functions to identify group- and individual-level unified structural equation models.

Details

Researchers across varied domains gather multivariate data for each individual unit of study across multiple occasions of measurement. Generally referred to as time series (or in the social sciences, intensive longitudinal) data, examples include psychophysiological processes such as neuroimaging and heart rate variability, daily diary studies, and observational coding of social interactions among dyads. A primary goal for acquiring these data is to understand temporal processes. The gimme package contains several functions for use with these data. These functions include gimmeSEM, which provides both group- and individual-level results by looking across individuals for patterns of relations among variables. A function that provides group-level results, aggSEM, is included, as well as a function that provides individual-level results, indSEM. The major functions within the gimme package all require the user to specify the directory containing the data and a directory for output to be stored.

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aggSEM

Group-level structural equation model search.

Description

Concatenates all individual-level data files and fits a group model to the data.

Usage

```
aggSEM(data
       out
              = ""
       sep
       header = "",
              = TRUE,
       plot
              = TRUE,
       paths = NULL,
       exogenous = NULL,
       conv_vars
                         = NULL,
       conv_length
                         = 16,
       conv_interval
                        = 1,
       mult_vars
                         = NULL,
       mean_center_mult = FALSE,
       standardize
                         = FALSE,
       hybrid = FALSE,
       VAR
              = FALSE)
```

Arguments

data

The path to the directory where the data files are located, or the name of the list containing each individual's time series. Each file or matrix must contain one matrix for each individual containing a T (time) by p (number of variables)

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matrix where the columns represent variables and the rows represent time. If in list form, each item in the list (i.e., matrix) must be named.

out The path to the directory where the results will be stored (optional). If specified,

a copy of output files will be replaced in directory. If directory at specified path

does not exist, it will be created.

sep The spacing of the data files when data are in a directory. "" indicates space-

delimited, "/t" indicates tab-delimited, "," indicates comma delimited. Only

necessary to specify if reading data in from physical directory.

header Logical. Indicate TRUE for data files with a header, FALSE otherwise. Only

necessary to specify if reading data in from physical directory.

ar Logical. If TRUE, begins search for group model with autoregressive (AR)

paths open. Defaults to TRUE.

plot Logical. If TRUE, figures depicting relations among variables of interest will

automatically be created. For aggregate-level plot, red paths represent positive weights and blue paths represent negative weights. Dashed lines denote lagged relations (lag 1) and solid lines are contemporaneous (lag 0). Defaults to TRUE.

paths lavaan-style syntax containing paths with which to begin model estimation (op-

tional). That is, Y~X indicates that Y is regressed on X, or X predicts Y. If no header is used, then variables should be referred to with V followed (with no separation) by the column number. If a header is used, variables should be referred to using variable names. To reference lag variables, "lag" should be added

to the end of the variable name with no separation. Defaults to NULL.

exogenous Vector of variable names to be treated as exogenous (optional). That is, exoge-

nous variable X can predict Y but cannot be predicted by Y. If no header is used, then variables should be referred to with V followed (with no separation) by the column number. If a header is used, variables should be referred to using

variable names. Defaults to NULL.

conv_vars Vector of variable names to be convolved via smoothed Finite Impulse Response

(sFIR). Defaults to NULL.

conv_length Expected response length in seconds. For functional MRI BOLD, 16 seconds

(default) is typical for the hemodynamic response function.

conv_interval Interval between data acquisition. Currently must be a constant. For fMRI stud-

ies, this is the repetition time. Defaults to 1.

mult_vars Vector of variable names to be multiplied to explore bilinear/modulatory effects

(optional). All multiplied variables will be treated as exogenous (X can predict Y but cannot be predicted by Y). Within the vector, multiplication of two variables should be indicated with an asterik (e.g. V1*V2). If no header is used, variables should be referred to with V followed by the column number (with no separation). If a header is used, each variable should be referred to using variable names. If multiplication with the lag 1 of a variable is desired, the variable name should be followed by "lag" with no separation (e.g. V1*V2lag). Note that if multiplied variables are desired, at least one variable in the dataset must

be specified as exogenous. Defaults to NULL.

mean_center_mult

Logical. If TRUE, the variables indicated in mult_vars will be mean-centered before being multiplied together. Defaults to FALSE.

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standardize

Logical. If TRUE, all variables will be standardized to have a mean of zero and a standard deviation of one. Defaults to FALSE.

hybrid

Logical. If TRUE, enables hybrid-VAR models where both directed contemporaneous paths and contemporaneous covariances among residuals are candidate relations in the search space. Defaults to FALSE.

VAR

Logical. If true, VAR models where contemporaneous covariances among residuals are candidate relations in the search space. Defaults to FALSE. @details In main output directory:

- allBetas Matrix. Contains estimates for each path in the aggregate-level model. The row variable is the outcome and the column variable is the predictor variable.
- allStdErrors Matrix. Contains standard errors for each path in the aggregatelevel model. The row variable is the outcome and the column variable is the predictor variable.
- allPathEstimates Contains estimate, standard error, p-value, and z-value for each path for the concatenated data.
- summaryFit Contains model fit information for the aggregate-level model.
- **summaryPathsPlot** Contains aggregate-level plot. Red paths represent positive weights and blue paths represent negative weights.

Author(s)

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Examples

```
## Not run:
exFit <- aggSEM(data = ts)
## End(Not run)
plot(exFit)</pre>
```

convolve

Group iterative multiple model estimation.

Description

This function estimates the basis vectors related to responses following a binary impulse and convolves that binary impulse vector.

Usage

```
convolveFIR(ts_list = NULL,
    varLabels = NULL,
    conv_length = 16,
    conv_interval = 1)
```

Arguments

| ts_list | a list of dataframes. |
|---------------|--|
| varLabels | a list of variable sets. Contains varLabels\$coln, all column names, varLabels\$conv, the names of variables to convolve, and varLabels\$exog, a list of exogenous variables (if any). |
| conv_length | Expected response length in seconds. For functional MRI BOLD, 16 seconds (default) is typical for the hemodynamic response function. |
| conv_interval | Interval between data acquisition. Currently must be a constant. For fMRI studies, this is the repetition time. Defaults to 1. |

 ${\tt gimmeSEM}$

Group iterative multiple model estimation.

Description

This function identifies structural equation models for each individual that consist of both group-level and individual-level paths.

Usage

```
gimmeSEM(data
                     = NULL,
                     = NULL,
         out
                     = NULL,
         sep
         header
                     = NULL,
         ar
                     = TRUE,
         plot
                     = TRUE,
                     = FALSE,
         subgroup
         sub_feature = "lag & contemp",
         sub_method = "Walktrap",
         sub_sim_thresh
                          = "lowest",
         confirm_subgroup = NULL,
                     = NULL,
         paths
         exogenous = NULL,
         conv_vars = NULL,
         conv_length = 16,
         conv_interval = 1,
         mult_vars = NULL,
         mean_center_mult = FALSE,
         standardize = FALSE,
         groupcutoff = .75,
         subcutoff = .5,
                     = FALSE,
         diagnos
         ms_allow
                          = FALSE,
                          = 1e-5,
         ms_tol
         lv_model
                          = NULL,
```

```
lv_estimator
                 = "miiv",
                 = "regression",
lv_scores
lv_miiv_scaling = "first.indicator",
lv_final_estimator = "miiv",
lasso_model_crit
hybrid = FALSE,
VAR = FALSE,
dir_prop_cutoff =0)
```

Arguments

data The path to the directory where the data files are located, or the name of the

list containing each individual's time series. Each file or matrix must contain one matrix for each individual containing a T (time) by p (number of variables) matrix where the columns represent variables and the rows represent time. Individuals must have the same variables (p) but can have different lengths of

observations (T).

out The path to the directory where the results will be stored (optional). If specified,

a copy of output files will be replaced in directory. If directory at specified path

does not exist, it will be created.

The spacing of the data files. "" indicates space-delimited, "/t" indicates tabsep

delimited, "," indicates comma delimited. Only necessary to specify if reading

data in from physical directory.

header Logical. Indicate TRUE for data files with a header. Only necessary to specify

if reading data in from physical directory.

Logical. If TRUE, begins search for group model with autoregressive (AR) ar

paths freed for estimation. If ms_allow=TRUE, it is recommended to set ar=FALSE.

Multiple solutions are unlikely to be found when ar=TRUE. Defaults to TRUE.

plot Logical. If TRUE, graphs depicting relations among variables of interest will

> automatically be created. Solid lines represent contemporaneous relations (lag 0) and dashed lines reflect lagged relations (lag 1). For individual-level plots, red paths represent positive weights and blue paths represent negative weights. Width of paths corresponds to estimated path weight. For the group-level plot, black represents group-level paths, grey represents individual-level paths, and (if subgroup = TRUE) green represents subgroup-level paths. For the group-level

plot, the width of the edge corresponds to the count. Defaults to TRUE.

subgroup Logical. If TRUE, subgroups are generated based on similarities in model fea-

tures using the walktrap.community function from the igraph package. When

ms allow=TRUE, subgroup should be set to FALSE. Defaults to FALSE.

sub_feature Option to indicate feature(s) used to subgroup individuals. Defaults to "lag &

> contemp" for lagged and contemporaneous, which is the original method. Can use "lagged" or "contemp" to subgroup solely on features related to lagged and

contemporaneous relations, respectively.

sub_method Community detection method used to cluster individuals into subgroups. Op-

> tions align with those available in the igraph package: "Walktrap" (default), "Infomap", "Louvain", "Edge Betweenness", "Label Prop", "Fast Greedy", "Lead-

ing Eigen", and "Spinglass".

sub_sim_thresh

Threshold for inducing sparsity in similarity matrix. Options are: the percent of edges in the similarity matrix to set to zero (e.g., .25 would set the lower quartile), "lowest" (default) subtracts the minimum value from all values, and "search" searches across thresholds to arrive at one providing highest modularity.

confirm_subgroup

Dataframe. Option only available when subgroup = TRUE. Dataframe should contain two columns. The first column should specify file labels (the name of the data files without file extension), and the second should contain integer values (beginning at 1) specifying the subgroup membership for each individual. function from the igraph package. Defaults to TRUE.

lavaan-style syntax containing paths with which to begin model estimation (optional). That is, Y~X indicates that Y is regressed on X, or X predicts Y. If no header is used, then variables should be referred to with V followed (with no separation) by the column number. If a header is used, variables should be referred to using variable names. To reference lag variables, "lag" should be added to the end of the variable name with no separation. Defaults to NULL.

exogenous

Vector of variable names to be treated as exogenous (optional). That is, exogenous variable X can predict Y but cannot be predicted by Y. If no header is used, then variables should be referred to with V followed (with no separation) by the column number. If a header is used, variables should be referred to using variable names. The default for exogenous variables is that lagged effects of the exogenous variables are not included in the model search. If lagged paths are wanted, "&lag" should be added to the end of the variable name with no separation. Defaults to NULL.

conv_vars

Vector of variable names to be convolved via smoothed Finite Impulse Response (sFIR). Note, conv_vars are not not automatically considered exogenous variables. To treat conv vars as exogenous use the exogenous argument. Variables listed in conv_vars must be binary variables. If there is missing data in the endogenous variables their values will be imputed for the convolution operation only. Defaults to NULL. ### If there are multiple variables listed in conv_vars they are not used in the convolution of additional conv vars.## You can't do lagged variables.

conv_length

Expected response length in seconds. For functional MRI BOLD, 16 seconds (default) is typical for the hemodynamic response function.

conv_interval

Interval between data acquisition. Currently must be a constant. For fMRI studies, this is the repetition time. Defaults to 1.

mult_vars

Vector of variable names to be multiplied to explore bilinear/modulatory effects (optional). All multiplied variables will be treated as exogenous (X can predict Y but cannot be predicted by Y). Within the vector, multiplication of two variables should be indicated with an asterik (e.g. V1*V2). If no header is used, variables should be referred to with V followed by the column number (with no separation). If a header is used, each variable should be referred to using variable names. If multiplication with the lag 1 of a variable is desired, the variable name should be followed by "lag" with no separation (e.g. V1*V2lag).

paths

mean_center_mult

Logical. If TRUE, the variables indicated in mult_vars will be mean-centered before being multiplied together. Defaults to FALSE.

standardize Logical. If TRUE, all variables will be standardized to have a mean of zero and

a standard deviation of one. Defaults to FALSE.

groupcutoff Cutoff value for group-level paths. Defaults to .75, indicating that a path must

be significant across 75% of individuals to be included as a group-level path.

subcutoff Cutoff value for subgroup- level paths. Defaults to .5, indicating that a path

must be significant across at least 50% of the individuals in a subgroup to be

considered a subgroup-level path.

diagnos Logical.If TRUE provides internal output for diagnostic purposes. Defaults to

FALSE.

ms_allow Logical. If TRUE provides multiple solutions when more than one path has

identical modification index values. When ms_allow=TRUE, it is recommended to set ar=FALSE. Multiple solutions are unlikely to be found when ar=TRUE. Additionally, subgroup should be set to FALSE. Output files for individuals with multiple solutions will represent the last solution found for the individual, not

necessarily the best solution for the individual.

ms_tol Precision used when evaluating similarity of modification indices when ms_allow

= TRUE. We recommend that ms_tol not be greater than the default, especially

when standardize=TRUE. Defaults to 1e-5.

lv_model Invoke latent variable modeling by providing the measurement model syntax

here. lavaan conventions are used for relating observed variables to factors.

Defaults to NULL.

1v_estimator Estimator used for factor analysis. Options are "miiv" (default), "pml" (pseudo-

ML) or "svd".

lv_scores Method used for estimating latent variable scores from parameters obtained

from the factor analysis when lv_model is not NULL. Options are: "regression"

(Default), "bartlett".

lv_miiv_scaling

Type of scaling indicator to use when "miiv" selected for lv_estimator. Options are "first.indicator" (Default; the first observed variable in the measurement equation is used), "group" (best one for the group), or "individual" (each

individual has the best one for them according to R2).

lv_final_estimator

Estimator for final estimations. "miiv" (Default) or "pml" (pseudo-ML).

lasso_model_crit

When not null, invokes multiLASSO approach for the GIMME model search procedure. Arguments indicate the model selection criterion to use for model

selection: 'bic' (select on BIC), 'aic', 'aicc', 'hqc', 'cv' (cross-validation).

hybrid Logical. If TRUE, enables hybrid-VAR models where both directed contempo-

raneous paths and contemporaneous covariances among residuals are candidate

relations in the search space. Defaults to FALSE.

VAR Logical. If true, VAR models where contemporaneous covariances among resid-

uals are candidate relations in the search space. Defaults to FALSE.

dir_prop_cutoff

Option to require that the directionality of a relation has to be higher than the reverse direction for a prespecified proportion of individuals.

Details

In main output directory:

- **indivPathEstimates** Contains estimate, standard error, p-value, and z-value for each path for each individual. If subgroup = TRUE and subgroups are found, then a column is present containing the subgroup membership for each individual. Also contains the level at which each path was estimated: group, subgroup, or individual.
- **summaryFit** Contains model fit information for individual- level models. If subgroups are requested, this file also contains the subgroup membership for each individual.
- summaryPathCountMatrix Contains counts of total number of paths, both contemporaneous and lagged, estimated for the sample. The row variable is the outcome and the column variable is the predictor variable.
- **summaryPathCounts** Contains summary count information for paths identified at the group-, subgroup (if subgroup = TRUE), and individual-level.
- summaryPathsPlot Produced if plot = TRUE. Contains figure with group, subgroup (if subgroup = TRUE), and individual-level paths for the sample. Black paths are group-level, green paths are subgroup-level, and grey paths are individual-level, where the thickness of the line represents the count.

In subgroup output directory (if subgroup = TRUE):

- **subgroup***k***PathCounts** Contains counts of relations among lagged and contemporaneous variables for the *k*th subgroup.
- **subgroup***k***Plot** Contains plot of group, subgroup, and individual level paths for the *k*th subgroup. Black represents group-level paths, grey represents individual-level paths, and green represents subgroup-level paths.

Note: if a subgroup of size n = 1 is discovered, subgroup-level output is not produced. In individual output directory (where *id* represents the original file name for each individual):

- idBetas Contains individual-level estimates of each path for each individual.
- *id*StdErrors Contains individual-level standard errors for each path for each individual.
- *id*Plot Contains individual-level plots. Red paths represent positive weights and blue paths represent negative weights.

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Adriene M. Beltz & Peter C. M. Molenaar (2016) Dealing with Multiple Solutions in Structural Vector Autoregressive Models, Multivariate Behavioral Research, 51:2-3, 357-373.

Examples

```
## Not run:
paths <- 'V2 ~ V1
          V3 ~ V4lag'
fit <- gimmeSEM(data</pre>
                         = simData,
                out
                         = "C:/simData_out",
                subgroup = TRUE,
                paths
                         = paths)
print(fit, mean = TRUE)
print(fit, subgroup = 1, mean = TRUE)
print(fit, file = "group_1_1", estimates = TRUE)
print(fit, subgroup = 2, fitMeasures = TRUE)
plot(fit, file = "group_1_1")
## End(Not run)
```

HRFsim

Hemodynamic Response Function (HRF) GIMME example.

Description

This object contains a list of simulated time series data for twenty-five individuals. Each data set has 500 time points and five variables. The fifth variable represents an onset vector for stimulation.

Usage

HRFsim

Format

A list of data frames with 25 individuals, who each have 500 observations on 5 variables.

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indSEM

Individual-level structural equation model search.

Description

This function identifies structural equation models for each individual. It does not utilize any shared information from the sample.

Usage

```
indSEM(data
              = NULL,
       out
              = NULL,
              = NULL,
       sep
       header = NULL,
              = TRUE,
       plot
              = TRUE,
       paths = NULL,
                        = NULL,
       exogenous
                        = NULL,
       conv_vars
       conv_length
                        = 16,
       conv_interval
                        = 1,
       mult_vars
                        = NULL,
       mean_center_mult = FALSE,
                        = FALSE,
       standardize
       hybrid = FALSE,
       VAR
             = FALSE)
```

Arguments

| data | The path to the directory where the data files are located, or the name of the list containing each individual's time series. Each file or matrix must contain one matrix for each individual containing a T (time) by p (number of variables) matrix where the columns represent variables and the rows represent time. |
|--------|--|
| out | The path to the directory where the results will be stored (optional). If specified, a copy of output files will be replaced in directory. If directory at specified path does not exist, it will be created. |
| sep | The spacing of the data files. "" indicates space-delimited, "/t" indicates tab- delimited, "," indicates comma delimited. Only necessary to specify if reading data in from physical directory. |
| header | Logical. Indicate TRUE for data files with a header. Only necessary to specify if reading data in from physical directory. |
| ar | Logical. If TRUE, begins search for individual models with autoregressive (AR) paths open. Defaults to TRUE. |
| plot | Logical. If TRUE, graphs depicting relations among variables of interest will automatically be created. Defaults to TRUE. For individual- level plots, red paths represent positive weights and blue paths represent negative weights. |

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paths lavaan-style syntax containing paths with which to begin model estimation. That

is, $Y \sim X$ indicates that Y is regressed on X, or X predicts Y. If no header is used, then variables should be referred to with V followed (with no separation) by the column number. If a header is used, variables should be referred to using variable names. To reference lag variables, "lag" should be added to the end of

the variable name with no separation. Defaults to NULL.

exogenous Vector of variable names to be treated as exogenous. That is, exogenous vari-

able X can predict Y but cannot be predicted by Y. If no header is used, then variables should be referred to with V followed (with no separation) by the column number. If a header is used, variables should be referred to using variable

names. Defaults to NULL.

conv_vars Vector of variable names to be convolved via smoothed Finite Impulse Response

(sFIR). Defaults to NULL.

conv_length Expected response length in seconds. For functional MRI BOLD, 16 seconds

(default) is typical for the hemodynamic response function.

conv_interval Interval between data acquisition. Currently must be a constant. For fMRI stud-

ies, this is the repetition time. Defaults to 1.

mult_vars Vector of variable names to be multiplied to explore bilinear/modulatory effects

(optional). All multiplied variables will be treated as exogenous (X can predict Y but cannot be predicted by Y). Within the vector, multiplication of two variables should be indicated with an asterik (e.g. V1*V2). If no header is used, variables should be referred to with V followed by the column number (with no separation). If a header is used, each variable should be referred to using variable names. If multiplication with the lag 1 of a variable is desired, the variable name should be followed by "lag" with no separation (e.g. V1*V2lag). Note that if multiplied variables are desired, at least one variable in the dataset must

be specified as exogenous. Defaults to NULL.

mean_center_mult

Logical. If TRUE, the variables indicated in mult_vars will be mean-centered

before being multiplied together. Defaults to FALSE.

standardize Logical. If TRUE, all variables will be standardized to have a mean of zero and

a standard deviation of one. Defaults to FALSE.

hybrid Logical. If TRUE, enables hybrid-VAR models where both directed contempo-

raneous paths and contemporaneous covariances among residuals are candidate

relations in the search space. Defaults to FALSE.

VAR Logical. If true, VAR models where contemporaneous covariances among resid-

uals are candidate relations in the search space. Defaults to FALSE.

Details

In main output directory:

- indivPathEstimates Contains estimate, standard error, p-value, and z-value for each path for each individual
- summaryFit Contains model fit information for individual- level models.

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• **summaryPathCountMatrix** Contains counts of total number of paths, both contemporaneous and lagged, estimated for the sample. The row variable is the outcome and the column variable is the predictor variable.

- summaryPathCounts Contains summary count information for paths identified at the individuallevel.
- summaryPathsPlot Contains counts of total number of paths, both contemporaneous and lagged, estimated for the sample. The row variable is the outcome and the column variable is the predictor variable.

In individual output directory (where *id* represents the original file name for each individual):

- idBetas Contains individual-level estimates of each path for each individual.
- idStdErrors Contains individual-level standard errors for each path for each individual.
- *id***Plot** Contains individual-level plots. Red paths represent positive weights and blue paths represent negative weights.

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Examples

ms.fit

Fitted gimme object with multiple solutions

Description

This object contains a fitted gimme object where multiple solutions gimme was used. The simulated data had 25 individuals, each with 100 time points.

Usage

ms.fit

Format

A fitted gimme object, where multiple solutions gimme was used.

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| simData | Large example, heterogeneous data, group, subgroup, and individual level effects. |
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| | |

Description

This object contains a list of simulated time series data for twenty-five individuals with 200 time points and 10 variables, or regions of interest.

Usage

simData

Format

A list of data frames with 25 individuals, who each have 200 observations on 10 variables.

| simDataLV Latent vari effects. | ble example, heterogeneous data, group, subgroup level |
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Description

This object contains a list of simulated time series data for twenty individuals with 500 time points and 9 variables, or regions of interest.

Usage

simDataLV

Format

A list of data frames with 20 individuals, who each have 500 observations on 9 variables.

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Solution trees for multiple solutions gimme.

Description

This function allows for the exploration of divergences in multiple solutions gimme for both the group and individuals.

Usage

Arguments

| X | A fitted gimme object. |
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| level | A character vector indicating what levels of the solution tree you would like returned. Options are "group", "individual", or c("group", "individual"). Defaults to c("group", "individual"). |
| cols | A character vector indicating additional information to include in tree plot. Options include "stage", "pruned", "rmsea", "nnfi", "cfi", "srmr", "grp_sol", "bic", "aic", "modularity." Defaults to NULL. |
| ids | A character vector indicating the names of subjects to print. Defaults to "all." |
| plot.tree | Logical. If TRUE, plot of tree is produced. Defaults to FALSE. |

Details

solution.tree

ts

Small example, heterogeneous data, group and individual level effects

Description

This object contains a list of simulated time series data for five individuals with 50 time points and 3 variables, or regions of interest.

Usage

ts

Format

A list of data frames with 5 individuals, who each have 50 observations on 3 variables.

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