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Description

This package contains tools to fit point process models with sequences of LASSO penalties ("regularisation paths"). Regularisation paths of Poisson point process models or area-interaction models can be fitted with LASSO, adaptive LASSO or elastic net penalties. A number of criteria are available to judge the bias-variance tradeoff.

#### **Details**

The key functions in ppmlasso are as follows:

# **Useful pre-analysis functions:**

```
findRes Determine the optimal spatial resolution at which to perform analysis getEnvVar Interpolate environmental data to species presence locations griddify Ensure a matrix of environmental data is on a rectangular grid ppmdat Calculate observation weights and set up design matrix for fitting pointInteractions Calculate interpoint interactions for fitting area-interaction models sampleQuad Set up a regular grid of quadrature points
```

## Creating regularisation paths of point process models:

```
ppmlasso Fit a regularisation path of point process models
plotFit Plot the fitted intensity of a ppmlasso object
plotPath Plot the regularisation path of a ppmlasso object
print.ppmlasso Print output from a ppmlasso object
predict.ppmlasso Make predictions from a fitted point process model to new data
```

#### Checking assumptions:

```
diagnose.ppmlasso Create diagnostic residual plots of ppmlasso object envelope.ppmlasso Create simulation envelope for goodness-of-fit checks on a ppmlasso object
```

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Renner, I.W. et al (2015). Point process models for presence-only analysis. *Methods in Ecology* & *Evolution* **6**, 366-379.

Renner, I.W., Warton, D.I., & Hui, F.K.C. (2021). What is the effective sample size of a spatial point process? *Australian & New Zealand Journal of Statistics* **63**, 144-158.

# **Examples**

```
# Fit a regularisation path of Poisson point process models
data(BlueMountains)
sub.env = BlueMountains$env[BlueMountains$env$Y > 6270 & BlueMountains$env$X > 300,]
sub.euc = BlueMountains$eucalypt[BlueMountains$eucalypt$Y > 6270 & BlueMountains$eucalypt$X > 300,]
ppm.form = ~ poly(FC, TMP_MIN, TMP_MAX, RAIN_ANN, degree = 2, raw = TRUE)
ppm.fit = ppmlasso(ppm.form, sp.xy = sub.euc, env.grid = sub.env, sp.scale = 1, n.fits = 20,
writefile = FALSE)
# Fit a regularisation path of area-interaction models
data(BlueMountains)
ai.form = ~ poly(FC, TMP_MIN, TMP_MAX, RAIN_ANN, degree = 2, raw = TRUE)
ai.fit = ppmlasso(ai.form, sp.xy = sub.euc, env.grid = sub.env, sp.scale = 1,
family = "area.inter", r = 2, availability = BlueMountains$availability, n.fits = 20,
writefile = FALSE)
# Print a ppmlasso object
print(ppm.fit, out = "model")
# Residual plot of a ppmlasso object
diagnose(ppm.fit, which = "smooth", type = "Pearson")
# Make predictions
pred.mu = predict(ppm.fit, newdata = sub.env)
# Plot the intensity from a fitted ppmlasso object
plotFit(ppm.fit)
# Plot the regularisation path from a fitted ppmlasso object
plotPath(ppm.fit)
```

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BlueMountains

Blue Mountains eucalypt and environmental data.

#### **Description**

This data set contains the observed presence locations of a Sydney eucalypt (eucalypt), the values of four environmental variables and two variables related to site accessibility throughout the region at a spatial resolution of 500m (env), and a matrix indicating whether locations in the region are available to the species (availability).

# Usage

data(BlueMountains)

#### **Format**

A list with three objects:

eucalypt A data frame with a column X of UTM Easting coordinates (km) and a column Y of UTM Northing coordinates (km) of observed locations of a Sydney eucalypt

env A data frame containing environmental data in the Blue Mountains region near Sydney

**availability** A 301x201 matrix with UTM Northing and Easting locations stored in dimnames indicating whether locations are accessible or not

The data frame env contains the following environmental data:

**X** UTM Easting coordinates (km)

Y UTM Northing coordinates (km)

FC Number of fires since 1943

**D\_MAIN\_RDS** Distance from the nearest main road (m)

**D\_URBAN** Distance from the nearest urban area (m)

RAIN\_ANN Average annual rainfall (mm)

TMP\_MAX Average maximum temperature (degrees Celsius)

**TMP\_MIN** Average minimum temperature (degrees Celsius)

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#### **Description**

Methods for function diagnose

#### Methods

signature(fit = "ppm") Creates residual plots for a ppm object. See the help function for diagnose.ppm in spatstat for more details.

signature(fit = "ppmlasso") Creates residual plots for a ppmlasso object. See the help function for diagnose.ppm in spatstat for more details.

diagnose.ppmlasso

Create diagnostic plots for a fitted point process model.

#### **Description**

This function is analogous to the diagnose.ppm function of the spatstat package.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ppmlasso'
diagnose(object, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

object A fitted regularisation path of point process models. The diagnostic plots will

be created for the model that optimises the given criterion.

Other arguments for producing diagnostic plots, as given by the diagnose.ppm

function of the spatstat package.

#### **Details**

See the help file for diagnose.ppm in the spatstat package for further details of diagnostic plots.

#### Author(s)

Ian W. Renner

# References

Baddeley, A.J. & Turner, R. (2005). Spatstat: an R package for analyzing spatial point patterns. *Journal of Statistical Software* **12**, 1-42.

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## See Also

envelope.ppmlasso, for other goodness-of-fit functions inherited from spatstat.

### **Examples**

```
data(BlueMountains)
sub.env = BlueMountains$env[BlueMountains$env$Y > 6270 & BlueMountains$env$X > 300,]
sub.euc = BlueMountains$eucalypt[BlueMountains$eucalypt$Y > 6270 & BlueMountains$eucalypt$X > 300,]
ppm.form = ~poly(FC, TMP_MIN, TMP_MAX, RAIN_ANN, degree = 2) + poly(D_MAIN_RDS, D_URBAN, degree = 2)
ppm.fit = ppmlasso(ppm.form, sp.xy = sub.euc, env.grid = sub.env, sp.scale = 1, n.fits = 20,
writefile = FALSE)
diagnose(ppm.fit, which = "smooth", type = "Pearson")
```

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Methods for function envelope

## **Description**

Methods for function envelope

#### Methods

signature(Y = "ppmlasso") Creates Monte Carlo simulation envelopes for a given function for a ppmlasso object. See the help function for envelope in spatstat for more details.

envelope.ppmlasso

Calculates simulation envelopes for goodness-of-fit

## Description

This function is analogous to the envelope function of the spatstat package.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ppmlasso'
envelope(Y, fun = Kest, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

fun

Υ	A fitted regularisation path of point process models. The simulation envelopes
	will be calculated for the model that optimises the given criterion.

The summary function to be computed for the given point process model. See the help file for the envelope function of the spatstat package for more de-

tails.

Other arguments for producing diagnostic plots, as given by the envelope function of the spatstat package.

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#### **Details**

See the help file for envelope in the spatstat package for further details of simulation envelopes.

#### Author(s)

Ian W. Renner

#### References

Baddeley, A.J. & Turner, R. (2005). Spatstat: an R package for analyzing spatial point patterns. *Journal of Statistical Software* **12**, 1-42.

#### See Also

diagnose.ppmlasso, for residual plots inherited from spatstat.

## **Examples**

```
data(BlueMountains)
sub.env = BlueMountains$env[BlueMountains$env$Y > 6270 & BlueMountains$env$X > 300,]
sub.euc = BlueMountains$eucalypt[BlueMountains$eucalypt$Y > 6270 & BlueMountains$eucalypt$X > 300,]
ppm.form = ~poly(FC, TMP_MIN, TMP_MAX, RAIN_ANN, degree = 2) + poly(D_MAIN_RDS, D_URBAN, degree = 2)
ppm.fit = ppmlasso(ppm.form, sp.xy = sub.euc, env.grid = sub.env, sp.scale = 1, n.fits = 20,
writefile = FALSE)
envelope(ppm.fit, Kinhom, nsim = 20)
```

findRes

Choose spatial resolution for analysis

#### **Description**

This function produces a plot to choose the optimal spatial resolution for analysis. A point process model is calculated for each nominated spatial resolution and the log-likelihood of all fitted models are plotted against the spatial resolutions.

#### Usage

```
findRes(scales, lambda = 0, coord = c("X", "Y"), sp.xy, env.grid, formula, tol = 0.01, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

scales	A vector of spatial resolutions for which to produce the plot.
lambda	The penalty for each fitted spatial resolution. This should be a single value such that only one point process model is computed for each spatial resolution.
coord	A vector containing the names of the longitude and latitude coordinates, used by getEnvVar.

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sp.xy	A matrix of species locations containing at least one column representing longitude and one column representing latitude, as in ppmlasso.
env.grid	The geo-referenced matrix of environmental grids, as in ppmlasso.
formula	The formula of the fitted model, as in ppmlasso.
tol	An optional argument to specify the tolerance level of coordinate error passed to an internal call to the <code>griddify</code> function, set to 0.01 by default.
	Further arguments passed to ppmlasso.

#### **Details**

This function produces a plot which can be used to judge an optimal spatial resolution for analysis. As the spatial resolution gets finer, the log-likelihood tends to stabilise to a constant value. The largest spatial resolution at which the log-likelihood appears to stabilise may be considered optimal for model fitting.

#### Value

A plot of log-likelihood versus spatial resolution.

### Author(s)

Ian W. Renner

#### References

Renner, I.W. et al (2015). Point process models for presence-only analysis. *Methods in Ecology* \& *Evolution* **6**, 366-379.

#### **Examples**

```
data(BlueMountains)
sub.env = BlueMountains$env[BlueMountains$env$Y > 6270 & BlueMountains$env$X > 300,]
sub.euc = BlueMountains$eucalypt[BlueMountains$eucalypt$Y > 6270 & BlueMountains$eucalypt$X > 300,]
scales = c(0.5, 1, 2, 4, 8, 16)
ppm.form = ~ poly(FC, TMP_MIN, TMP_MAX, RAIN_ANN, degree = 2)
findRes(scales, formula = ppm.form, sp.xy = sub.euc, env.grid = sub.env)
```

getEnvVar	Extract environmental data to presence locations
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# Description

Given a matrix of quadrature points and a list of species presences, this function extracts environmental data to presence locations using bilinear interpolation.

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#### Usage

```
getEnvVar(sp.xy, env.grid, env.scale, coord = c("X", "Y"), envfilename = "SpEnvData",
tol = 0.01, writefile = TRUE)
```

## **Arguments**

sp.xy	A matrix of species locations containing at least one column representing longitude and one column representing latitude.
env.grid	The geo-referenced matrix of environmental grids.
env.scale	The spatial resolution of the quadrature scheme from which the environmental data is extracted.
coord	A vector containing the names of the longitude and latitude coordinates, as in sampleQuad.
envfilename	An optional argument containing the name of the saved file. Setting envfilename = "SpEnvData" will save a matrix sp.dat containing the species presence locations and the interpolated environmental data to the file "SpEnvData.RData".
tol	An optional argument to specify the tolerance level of coordinate error passed to an internal call to the griddify function, set to 0.01 by default.
writefile	A logical argument to determine whether the output should be written to a file or not. If TRUE (the default), the output will be saved with the file name as described in the envfilename argument.

#### **Details**

At a given species location with coordinates (x,y), the interpolated value of the environmental variable z is calculated as a weighted average of z at four reference quadrature points  $(x^{(1)},y^{(1)})$ ,  $(x^{(1)},y^{(2)})$ ,  $(x^{(2)},y^{(1)})$  and  $(x^{(2)},y^{(2)})$  that form a square of nominated side length env. scale surrounding (x,y).

# Value

A matrix containing locations of species presences in the first two columns and the interpolated environmental data in the remaining columns.

## Author(s)

Ian W. Renner

# **Examples**

```
data(BlueMountains)
species.env = getEnvVar(BlueMountains$eucalypt, env.grid = BlueMountains$env, env.scale = 0.5,
envfilename = NA, writefile = FALSE)
```

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griddify  Ensure that a geo-referenced matrix of environme gular	ntal grids is rectan-
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#### **Description**

This function ensures that the coordinates of the supplied geo-referenced matrix of environmental grids constitutes a rectangular grid.

## Usage

```
griddify(envframe, tol = 0.01, coord = c("X", "Y"))
```

## **Arguments**

envframe The geo-referenced matrix of environmental grids.

tol The tolerance level within which to correct coordinate errors.

coord A vector containing the names of the longitude and latitude coordinates.

#### **Details**

The functions in the ppmlasso package require a set of quadrature points along a rectangular grid. At times a set of quadrature points with a desired spatial resolution of  $x_{\delta} \times y_{\delta}$  will have some minor machine error in some coordinates such that the coordinates as supplied do not consistute a rectangular grid. The griddify function corrects this error as follows:

Let  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$  and  $\{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n\}$  be the supplied coordinates contained in envframe. The function first determines the spatial resolution  $x_\delta \times y_\delta$  based on the median of the differences in the unique values of  $x_i$  and  $y_i$  as well as the coordinates of a rectangular grid with this spatial resolution  $\{x_1^{grid}, x_2^{grid}, \dots, x_n^{grid}\}$  and  $\{y_1^{grid}, y_2^{grid}, \dots, y_n^{grid}\}$ . Given the tolerance  $\epsilon$  supplied to tol, any coordinate  $x_i$  for which  $0 < \left|x_i - x_i^{grid}\right| \le epsilon \times x_\delta$  will be adjusted to  $x_i^{grid}$ . Likewise, any coordinate  $y_i$  for which  $0 < \left|y_i - y_i^{grid}\right| < epsilon \times y_\delta$  will be adjusted to  $y_i^{grid}$ .

Any environmental variables contained in envframe are left unchanged.

## Value

A data frame containing the coordinates on a rectangular grid as well as any environmental variables left unchanged.

#### Author(s)

Ian W. Renner

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#### **Examples**

```
X = seq(0, 5, 1)
Y = seq(1, 11, 2)
XY = expand.grid(X, Y) # generate 1 x 2 rectangular grid
names(XY) = c("X", "Y")
#move some coordinates off of rectangular grid
XY$X[1] = XY$X[1] - 0.01
XY$Y[1] = XY$Y[1] - 0.01
XY$X[7] = XY$X[7] + 0.01
XY$Y[7] = XY$Y[7] + 0.01
#generate environmental variables
XY$V1 = 0.1*XY$X + 0.2*XY$Y + rnorm(36, 0, 1)
XY$V2 = -0.2*XY$X + 0.1*XY$Y + 0.05*XY$X*XY$Y + rnorm(36, 0, 5)
XY_grid = griddify(XY)
```

plotFit

Plot the predicted intensity of a fitted ppmlasso model

#### **Description**

This function produces a levelplot of the predicted intensity from a fitted ppmlasso model.

# Usage

```
plotFit(fit, pred.data = data.frame(X = fit$x[fit$pres == 0],
Y = fit$y[fit$pres == 0], 1, scale(fit$data[fit$pres == 0, -1],
center = -fit$s.means/fit$s.sds, scale = 1/fit$s.sds)),
coord = c("X", "Y"), asp = "iso", ylab = "", xlab = "",
col.regions = heat.colors(1024)[900:1], cuts = length(col.regions),
cex = 1.4, main.text = paste(toupper(fit$criterion), "fit"), cex.color = 1.4)
```

#### Arguments

fit	A fitted ppmlasso object.
pred.data	A data frame which defines the coordinates and the environmental variables for which the predicted intensity will be calculated. By default, this uses the coordinates and environmental variables from the object supplied to the fit argument.
coord	A vector containing the names of the longitude and latitude coordinates, as in sampleQuad.
asp	Aspect of the plot, with "iso" as default. See the documentation for the levelplot function of the lattice pacakge for more details.
ylab	Label for the y-axis. Blank by default.
xlab	Label for the x-axis. Blank by default

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col.regions A vector of colours to define the intensity gradient. See the documentation for

the levelplot function of the lattice pacakge for more details.

cuts The number of levels the color gradient for the intensity surface is divided into.

See the documentation for the levelplot function of the lattice pacakge for

more details.

cex Character size for axis labels.

main.text Title of the plot.

cex.color Character size for the colorkey labels.

#### **Details**

This function will compute the predicted intensity of a fitted ppmlasso object using the model within the regularisation path which optimises the criterion specified in the call to ppmlasso.

#### Author(s)

Ian W. Renner

#### **Examples**

```
data(BlueMountains)
sub.env = BlueMountains$env[BlueMountains$env$Y > 6270 & BlueMountains$env$X > 300,]
sub.euc = BlueMountains$eucalypt[BlueMountains$eucalypt$Y > 6270 & BlueMountains$eucalypt$X > 300,]
ppm.form = ~poly(FC, TMP_MIN, TMP_MAX, RAIN_ANN, degree = 2) + poly(D_MAIN_RDS, D_URBAN, degree = 2)
ppm.fit = ppmlasso(ppm.form, sp.xy = sub.euc, env.grid = sub.env, sp.scale = 1, n.fits = 20,
writefile = FALSE)
plotFit(ppm.fit)
```

plotPath

Plot of the regularisation path of a ppmlasso model

# Description

This function produces a trace plot of the coefficient estimates of a fitted ppmlasso object and identifies the models which optimise the various penalisation criteria.

## Usage

```
plotPath(fit, colors = c("gold", "green3", "blue", "brown", "pink"), logX = TRUE)
```

# **Arguments**

fit A fitted ppmlasso object.

colors A vector of colours for each criterion: "aic", "bic", "hqc", "gcv", and "nlgcv".

logX A logical argument to indicate whether the plot should utilise a logarithmic scale

on the x-axis (the default) or not.

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#### **Details**

A fitted ppmlasso object contains a matrix called betas which stores the coefficient estimates of each of the n.fits models fitted. This function produces a traceplot of these coefficient estimates for each environmental variable and highlights the models which optimise each of the penalisation criteria.

#### Author(s)

Ian W. Renner

# **Examples**

```
data(BlueMountains)
sub.env = BlueMountains$env[BlueMountains$env$Y > 6270 & BlueMountains$env$X > 300,]
sub.euc = BlueMountains$eucalypt[BlueMountains$eucalypt$Y > 6270 & BlueMountains$eucalypt$X > 300,]
ppm.form = ~poly(FC, TMP_MIN, TMP_MAX, RAIN_ANN, degree = 2) + poly(D_MAIN_RDS, D_URBAN, degree = 2)
ppm.fit = ppmlasso(ppm.form, sp.xy = sub.euc, env.grid = sub.env, sp.scale = 1, n.fits = 20,
writefile = FALSE)
plotPath(ppm.fit)
```

pointInteractions

Calculate point interactions for area-interaction models

## **Description**

This function calculates point interactions at presence locations and quadrature points required for fitting a regularisation path of area-interaction models.

# Usage

```
pointInteractions(dat.ppm, r, availability = NA)
```

# **Arguments**

dat.ppm A design matrix generated using the ppmdat function.

r The radius of point interactions.

availability An optional binary matrix used in calculating point interactions indicating whether

locations are available (availability = 1) or not (availability = 0). If no such matrix is provided, availability is automatically generated with all val-

ues set to 1 at a special resolution of half of r.

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#### **Details**

Theoretically, the point interaction t(y) at a point y is calculated as the proportion of available area in a circular region Y or radius r centred at y that overlaps with circles of radius r centred at other presence locations (Baddeley & Turner, 2005).

This function discretises the study region at the same spatial resolution as availability by defining the matrix occupied, a fine grid of locations spanning the study region initialised to zero. The values of occupied within a distance of r of each presence location are then augmented by 1, such that occupied then contains the total number of presence locations with which each grid location interacts. To prevent unavailable areas from being included in the calculation of point interactions, the values of occupied at grid locations for which availability = 0 are set to zero.

t(y) is then estimated as the proportion of available grid locations within Y that overlap circular regions around other presence locations.

The availability matrix is particularly useful for regions that have inaccessible areas (e.g. due to the presence of ocean or urban areas).

Finer resolutions of the availability matrix will yield more precise estimates but at a cost of greater computation time.

#### Value

A vector of point interactions corresponding to the locations contained in the dat.ppm argument.

# Author(s)

Ian W. Renner

# References

Baddeley, A.J. & Turner, R. (2005). Spatstat: an R package for analyzing spatial point patterns. *Journal of Statistical Software* **12**, 1-42.

#### See Also

ppmlasso for fitting a regularisation path of area-interaction models

# **Examples**

```
data(BlueMountains)
species.ppm = ppmdat(sp.xy = BlueMountains$eucalypt, back.xy = BlueMountains$env,
sp.scale = 1, datfilename = NA, writefile = FALSE) # generate design matrix
species.int = pointInteractions(species.ppm, 2, BlueMountains$availability)
```

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### **Description**

This function prepares the data for model fitting. In particular, it determines observation weights and sets up the design matrix required for fitting a regularisation path.

#### Usage

```
ppmdat(sp.xy, sp.scale, back.xy, coord = c("X","Y"), sp.dat = getEnvVar(sp.xy = sp.xy,
env.scale = sp.scale, env.grid = back.xy, coord = coord, writefile = writefile),
sp.file = NA, quad.file = NA, datfilename = "PPMDat", writefile = TRUE)
```

# **Arguments**

sp.xy	A matrix of species locations containing at least one column representing longitude and one column representing latitude.
sp.scale	The spatial resolution at which to sample quadrature points.
back.xy	The geo-referenced matrix of environmental grids.
coord	A vector containing the names of the longitude and latitude coordinates, as in sampleQuad.
sp.dat	A matrix of species presence locations and the corresponding environmental data, as generated by getEnvVar.
sp.file	The name of a saved file containing a matrix of species presence locations and the corresponding environmental data, as generated by getEnvVar.
quad.file	The name of a fie containing the quadrature points created from the sampleQuad function.
datfilename	An optional argument containing the name of the saved file. Setting datfilename = "PPMDat" will save a matrix dat.ppm containing the species presence locations and quadrature points, the environmental data, as well as an indicator for whether the locations correspond to presence locations or quadrature points and the corresponding quadrature weights to the file "PPMDat.RData".
writefile	A logical argument to determine whether the output should be written to a file or not. If TRUE (the default), the output will be saved with the file name as described in the datfilename argument.

#### **Details**

This function will call the sampleQuad and getEnvVar functions to generate a quadrature scheme and interpolate environmental data to presence locations. Alternatively, the quadrature scheme may be directly supplied to the quad.file argument, and the matrix of presence locations and associated environmental data may be directly supplied to either the sp. dat argument (as an object in the workspace) or to the sp.file argument (as the name of a saved file containing this matrix).

#### Value

A matrix dat.ppm with columns representing the latitude and longitude of presence locations and quadrature points along with the associated environmental data, as well as a column Pres indicating whether either point corresponds to a presence location or a quadrature point, and a column wt of observation weights.

### Author(s)

Ian W. Renner

#### See Also

sampleQuad for generating a regular grid of quadrature points.

getEnvVar for interpolating environmental data to species presence locations.

#### **Examples**

```
data(BlueMountains)
species.ppm = ppmdat(sp.xy = BlueMountains$eucalypt, back.xy = BlueMountains$env,
sp.scale = 1, datfilename = NA, writefile = FALSE)
```

ppmlasso

Fit point process models with LASSO penalties

### **Description**

The ppmlasso function fits point process models (either Poisson or area-interaction models) with a sequence of LASSO, adaptive LASSO or elastic net penalties (a "regularisation path").

# Usage

```
ppmlasso(formula, sp.xy, env.grid, sp.scale, coord = c("X", "Y"),
data = ppmdat(sp.xy = sp.xy, sp.scale = sp.scale, back.xy = env.grid, coord = c("X","Y"),
sp.file = NA, quad.file = NA, datfilename = "PPMDat", writefile = writefile), lamb = NA,
n.fits = 200, ob.wt = NA, criterion = "bic", alpha = 1, family = "poisson", tol = 1.e-9,
gamma = 0, init.coef = NA, mu.min = 1.e-16, mu.max = 1/mu.min, r = NA, interactions = NA,
availability = NA, max.it = 25, min.lamb = -10, standardise = TRUE, n.blocks = NA,
block.size = sp.scale*100, seed = 1, writefile = TRUE)
```

#### **Arguments**

formula The formula of the fitted model. For a point process model, the correct form is ~ variables.

sp.xy A matrix of sp

A matrix of species locations containing at least one column representing longitude and one column representing latitude. Environmental variables are interpolated to the locations of sp.xy using the getEnvVar function, unless the data argument is supplied.

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env.grid	The geo-referenced matrix of environmental grids. This matrix is used to generate quadrature points using the sampleQuad function, interpolate environmental data to the species locations of sp.xy using the getEnvVar function, and calculate observation weights using the ppmdat function, unless the data argument is supplied. This creates a data matrix data which provides the variables for the formula argument.
sp.scale	The spatial resolution at which to define the regular grid of quadrature points. sampleQuad will subsample from the rows of data that coincide with a regular grid at a resolution of sp.scale.
coord	A vector containing the names of the longitude and latitude coordinates.
data	An optional data matrix generated from the ppmdat function. Supplying a matrix to data is an alternative way of providing the environmental variables used in the formula argument, instead of specifying sp.xy and env.grid.
lamb	A vector of penalty values that will be used to create the regularisation path. If lamb = NA, the penalty values are automatically generated from the data and the n.fits argument.
n.fits	The number of models fitted in the regularisation path. If lamb = NA, the n.fits penalty values will be equally spaced on a logarithmic scale from $e^{-10}$ to $\lambda_{max}$ , the smallest penalty that shrinks all parameter coefficients to zero.
ob.wt	Quadrature weights, usually inherited from the ppmdat function.
criterion	The penalisation criteria to be optimised by the regularisation path. The options include "aic", "bic", "blockCV", "hqc", "gcv", "nlgcv" and "msi".
alpha	The elastic net parameter. The form of the penalty is
	$\alpha * \lambda * \sum_{j=1}^{p}  \beta_j  + (1 - \alpha) * \lambda * \sum_{j=1}^{p} (\beta_j)^2.$
	The default value alpha = 1 corresponds to a LASSO penalty, while alpha = $0$ corresponds to a ridge regression penalty.
family	The family of models to be fitted — family = "poisson" for Poisson point process models or family = "area.inter" for area-interaction models.
tol	The convergence threshold for the descent algorithm. The algorithm continues for a maximum of max.it iterations until the difference in likelihood between successive fits falls below tol.
gamma	The exponent of the adaptive weights for the adaptive LASSO penalty. The default value gamma = 0 corresponds to a normal LASSO penalty.
init.coef	The initial coefficients used for an adaptive LASSO penalty.
mu.min	The threshold for small fitted values. Any fitted value less than the threshold is

The radius of point interactions, required if family = "area.inter".

The threshold for large fitted values. Any fitted value larger than the threshold

set to mu.min.

will be set to mu.max.

mu.max

A vector of point interactions calculated from the pointInteractions function necessary for fitting area-interaction models. If interactions = NA and family = "area.inter", point interactions will be automatically calculated for radius r to the locations of data.
An optional binary matrix used in calculating point interactions indicating whether locations are available (1) or not (0). See pointInteractions for more details.
The maximum number of iterations of the descent algorithm for fitting the model.
The power $x$ of smallest penalty $e^x$ among the n. fits models.
A logical argument indicating whether the environmental variables should be standardised to have mean 0 and variance 1. It is recommended that variables are standardised for analysis.
This argument controls the number of cross validation groups into which the spatial blocks are divided if the criterion argument is set to "blockCV". See details.
The length of the edges for the spatial blocks created if the criterion argument is set to "blockCV". Only square spatial blocks are currently supported. See details.
The random seed used for controlling the allocation of spatial blocks to cross validation groups if the criterion argument is set to "blockCV".
A logical argument passed to the ppmdat function to determine whether its output should be written to a file or not, set to TRUE by default. See the documentation for ppmdat for details.

# **Details**

This function fits a regularisation path of point process models provided a list of species locations and a geo-referenced grid of environmental data. It is assumed that Poisson point process models (Warton & Shepherd, 2010) fit intensity as a log-linear model of environmental covariates, and that area-interaction models (Widom & Rowlinson, 1970; Baddeley & van Lieshout, 1995) fit conditional intensity as a log-linear model of environmental covariates and point interactions. Parameter coefficients are estimated by maximum likelihood for Poisson point process models and by maximum pseudolikelihood (Besag, 1977) for area-interaction models. The expressions for both the likelihood and pseudolikelihood involve an intractable integral which is approximated using a quadrature scheme (Berman & Turner, 1992).

Each model in the regularisation path is fitted by extending the Osborne descent algorithm (Osborne, 2000) to generalised linear models with penalised iteratively reweighted least squares.

Three classes of penalty  $p(\beta)$  are available for the vector of parameter coefficients  $\beta$ :

For the LASSO (Tibshirani, 1996),  $p(\beta) = \lambda * \sum_{j=1}^{p} |\beta_j|$ 

For the adaptive LASSO (Zou, 2006),  $p(\beta) = \lambda * \sum_{j=1}^{p} w_j * |\beta_j|$ , where  $w_j = 1/|\hat{\beta}_{init,j}|^{\gamma}$  for some initial estimate of parameters  $\hat{\beta}_{init}$ .

For the elastic net (Zou & Hastie, 2005),  $\alpha * \lambda * \sum_{j=1}^p |\beta_j| + (1-\alpha) * \lambda * \sum_{j=1}^p (\beta_j)^2$ . Note that this form of the penalty is a restricted case of the general elastic net penalty.

There are various criteria available for managing the bias-variance tradeoff (Renner, 2013). The default choice is BIC, the Bayesian Information Criterion, which has been shown to have good performance.

An alternative criterion useful when data are sparse is MSI, the maximum score of the intercept model (Renner, in prep). For a set of m presence locations, the MSI penalty is  $\lambda_{MSI} = \lambda_{max}/\sqrt{m}$ , where  $\lambda_{max}$  is the smallest penalty that shrinks all environmental coefficients to zero. The MSI penalty differs from the other criteria in that does not require an entire regularisation path to be fitted.

It is also possible to control the magnitude of the penalty by spatial cross validation by setting the criterion argument to "blockCV". The study region is then divided into square blocks with edge lengths controlled by the block.size argument, which are assigned to one of a number of cross validation groups controlled by the n.groups argument. The penalty which maximises the predicted log-likelihood is chosen.

#### Value

An object of class "ppmlasso", with elements:

betas A matrix of fitted coefficients of the n.fits models.

lambdas A vector containing the n.fits penalty values.

likelihoods A vector containing the likelihood of n. fits fitted models.

pen.likelihoods

A vector containing the penalised likelihood of n.fits fitted models.

beta A vector containing the coefficients of the model that optimises the specified

criterion.

lambda The penalty value of the model that optimises the specified criterion.

mu A vector of fitted values from the model that optimises the specified criterion.

likelihood The likelihood of the model that optimises the specified criterion.

criterion The specified criterion of the function call.

family The specified family of the function call.

gamma The specified gamma of the function call.

alpha The specified alpha of the function call.

init.coef The specified init.coef of the function call.

criterion.matrix

A matrix with n. fits rows corresponding to the observed values of AIC, BIC,

HQC, GCV, and non-linear GCV.

data The design matrix. For the point process models fitted with this function, mu =

e^{data\*beta}.

pt.interactions

The calculated point interactions.

wt The vector of quadrature weights.

pres A vector indicating presence (1) or quadrature point (0).

x A vector of point longitudes.y A vector of point latitudes.r The radius of point interactions.

call The function call.

formula	The formula argument.
s.means	If standardise = TRUE, the means of each column of data prior to standardisation.
s.sds	If standardise = TRUE, the standard deviations of each column of data prior to standardisation.
cv.group	The cross validation group associated with each point in the data set.
n.blocks	The number of cross validation groups specified.

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#### See Also

print.ppmlasso for printing features of the fitted regularisation path.

predict.ppmlasso for predicting intensity for a set of new data.

envelope.ppmlasso for constructing a K-envelope of the model which optimises the given criterion from the spatstat package.

diagnose.ppmlasso for diagnostic plots from the spatstat package.

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## **Examples**

```
# Fit a regularisation path of Poisson point process models
data(BlueMountains)
sub.env = BlueMountains$env[BlueMountains$env$Y > 6270 & BlueMountains$env$X > 300,]
sub.euc = BlueMountains$eucalypt[BlueMountains$eucalypt$Y > 6270 & BlueMountains$eucalypt$X > 300,]
ppm.form = ~ poly(FC, TMP_MIN, TMP_MAX, RAIN_ANN, degree = 2)
ppm.fit = ppmlasso(ppm.form, sp.xy = sub.euc, env.grid = sub.env, sp.scale = 1, n.fits = 20,
writefile = FALSE)

#Fit a regularisation path of area-interaction models
data(BlueMountains)
ai.form = ~ poly(FC, TMP_MIN, TMP_MAX, RAIN_ANN, degree = 2)
ai.fit = ppmlasso(ai.form, sp.xy = sub.euc, env.grid = sub.env, sp.scale = 1,
family = "area.inter", r = 2, availability = BlueMountains$availability, n.fits = 20,
writefile = FALSE)
```

ppmlasso-class

Class "ppmlasso"

## Description

A class ppmlasso which represents a point process model with a LASSO-type penalty.

#### Methods

diagnose signature(object = "ppmlasso"): Produce diagnostic plots for a fitted point process
 model.

envelope signature(Y = "ppmlasso"): Produce a Monte Carlo simulation envelope for a summary function of a fitted point process model.

**predict** signature(object = "ppmlasso"): Calculate the predicted intensity for a fitted point process model to a set of data.

**print** signature(x = "ppmlasso"): Print the details of a fitted point process model.

#### Author(s)

Ian W. Renner

#### **Examples**

```
showClass("ppmlasso")
```

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## Description

Methods for function predict

#### Methods

signature(object = "ppmlasso") Creates a vector of predicted intensities for an object of class ppmlasso.

predict.ppmlasso Prediction to new data from a fitted regularisation path

## **Description**

Given a fitted regularisation path produced by ppmlasso, this function will predict the intensity for a new set of data.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ppmlasso'
predict(object, ..., newdata, interactions = NA)
```

# **Arguments**

object A fitted regularisation path produced by ppmlasso.

... Additional arguments impacting the prediction calculations.

newdata A data frame of new environmental data for which predicted intensities are com-

puted.

interactions A vector of point interactions for predictions of area-interaction models.

# Value

A vector of predicted intensities corresponding to the environmental data provided in the newdata argument.

#### Author(s)

Ian W. Renner

#### See Also

ppmlasso for fitting a regularisation path of point process models.

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## **Examples**

```
data(BlueMountains)
sub.env = BlueMountains$env[BlueMountains$env$Y > 6270 & BlueMountains$env$X > 300,]
sub.euc = BlueMountains$eucalypt[BlueMountains$eucalypt$Y > 6270 & BlueMountains$eucalypt$X > 300,]
ppm.form = ~ poly(FC, TMP_MIN, TMP_MAX, RAIN_ANN, degree = 2, raw = TRUE)
ppm.fit = ppmlasso(ppm.form, sp.xy = sub.euc, env.grid = sub.env, sp.scale = 1, n.fits = 20,
writefile = FALSE)
pred.mu = predict(ppm.fit, newdata = sub.env)
```

print-methods

Methods for function print

#### **Description**

Methods for function print

#### Methods

signature(x = "ppmlasso") Prints output for a ppmlasso object with details controlled by arguments of the print.ppmlasso function.

print.ppmlasso

Print a fitted regularisation path

#### **Description**

This function prints output from a fitted regularisation path.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ppmlasso'
print(x, ..., output = c("all", "path", "model", "interaction"))
```

## **Arguments**

x A regularisation path fitted by ppmlasso.

... Further arguments controlling the printed output.

output

This argument controls what output is printed to the screen. If output includes "path", information about the entire regularisation path is printed. If output includes "model", information about the model that optimises the given criterion is printed. If output includes "interaction", information about the point interactions is printed. Setting output = "all" will print all available information.

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# Value

N/A

#### Author(s)

Ian W. Renner

#### See Also

ppmlasso for fitting regularisation paths.

# **Examples**

```
# Fit a regularisation path of Poisson point process models
data(BlueMountains)
ppm.form = ~ poly(FC, TMP_MIN, TMP_MAX, RAIN_ANN, degree = 2)
ppm.fit = ppmlasso(ppm.form, sp.xy = BlueMountains$eucalypt,
env.grid = BlueMountains$env, sp.scale = 1, n.fits = 20, writefile = FALSE)
print(ppm.fit)
```

sampleQuad

Generate regular grid of quadrature points with environmental data

# **Description**

This function generates a regular grid of quadrature points and associated environmental data at a nominated spatial resolution.

# Usage

```
sampleQuad(env.grid, sp.scale, coord = c("X", "Y"), quadfilename = "Quad", tol = 0.01, writefile = TRUE)
```

#### **Arguments**

env.grid	The geo-referenced matrix of environmental grids. It must have a vector of longitude and a vector of latitude.
sp.scale	The spatial resolution at which to sample quadrature points.
coord	A vector containing the names of the longitude and latitude coordinates.
quadfilename	An optional argument containing the prefix of the name of the saved file. The default is "Quad" so that a matrix generated at a spatial resolution of 1 would be saved in the file "Quad1.RData". A file is saved for every resolution given in sp.scale.
tol	An optional argument to specify the tolerance level of coordinate error passed to an internal call to the griddify function, set to 0.01 by default.
writefile	A logical argument to determine whether the output should be written to a file or not. If TRUE (the default), the output will be saved with the file name as described in the quadfilename argument.

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# Value

The output is a matrix of quadrature points at the spatial resolution supplied to sp.scale. If a vector of resolutions is supplied, the output is a list of matrices for each spatial resolution.

# Author(s)

Ian W. Renner

# **Examples**

```
data(BlueMountains)
quad.1 = sampleQuad(env.grid = BlueMountains$env, sp.scale = 1, quadfilename = NA,
writefile = FALSE)
```

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