



Paired Comparison Preference Models

The prefmod Package: Day 4

Pattern Models

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Paired Comparison Response Patterns

What are paired comparison response patterns?

comparison	(12)	(13)	(23)	...
response	(1 > 2)	(3 > 1)	(2 > 3)	...
random variable	Y_{12}	Y_{13}	Y_{23}	...

we model the complete responses \mathbf{Y} simultaneously

$$\mathbf{Y} = (Y_{12}, Y_{13}, \dots, Y_{1J}, \dots, Y_{J-1,J})$$

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The BT Model as a Pattern Model

$$Y_{jk} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if object } O_j \text{ is preferred to } O_k \quad (j > k) \\ -1 & \text{if object } O_k \text{ is preferred to } O_j \quad (k > j) \end{cases}$$

$$P(j > k) = P(Y_{jk} = 1) = \frac{\pi_j}{\pi_j + \pi_k} = c \left(\frac{\sqrt{\pi_j}}{\sqrt{\pi_k}} \right)^{y_{jk}}$$

for 3 objects we have 3 comparisons: (12) (13) (23)

the probability for a specific response pattern e.g. (1, 1, 1)
which means (1 > 2), (1 > 3), (2 > 3) is given by:

$$p(1, 1, 1) = \delta \left(\frac{\sqrt{\pi_1}}{\sqrt{\pi_2}} \right) \left(\frac{\sqrt{\pi_1}}{\sqrt{\pi_3}} \right) \left(\frac{\sqrt{\pi_2}}{\sqrt{\pi_3}} \right)$$

the log-linear pattern model can be written as:

$$\ln m(1, 1, 1) = \ln \delta + 2\lambda_1 - 2\lambda_3$$

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The BT Model as a Pattern Model

in general: we model the probability for a pattern by

$$p(y_{12}, y_{13}, y_{23}) = \delta \left(\frac{\sqrt{\pi_1}}{\sqrt{\pi_2}} \right)^{y_{12}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{\pi_1}}{\sqrt{\pi_3}} \right)^{y_{13}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{\pi_2}}{\sqrt{\pi_3}} \right)^{y_{23}}$$

the log-linear pattern model can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} \ln m(y_{12}, y_{13}, y_{23}) = \\ \ln \delta + (y_{12} + y_{13})\lambda_1 + (y_{23} - y_{12})\lambda_2 + (-y_{13} - y_{23})\lambda_3 \end{aligned}$$

for a certain response pattern (1, 1, 1) it is:

$$\ln m(1, 1, 1) = \ln \delta + 2\lambda_1 - 2\lambda_3$$

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Design structure - two responses

pattern	y_{12}	y_{13}	y_{23}	counts	$\ln \delta$	λ_1	λ_2	λ_3
					const	x_1	x_2	x_3
s_1	1	1	1	n_1	1	2	0	-2
s_2	1	1	-1	n_2	1	2	-2	0
s_3	1	-1	1	n_3	1	0	0	0
s_4	1	-1	-1	n_4	1	0	-2	2
s_5	-1	1	1	n_5	1	0	2	-2
s_6	-1	1	-1	n_6	1	0	0	0
s_7	-1	-1	1	n_7	1	-2	2	0
s_8	-1	-1	-1	n_8	1	-2	0	2

x_i how often O_i is preferred in a pattern minus how often O_i not preferred in a pattern

▷ the number of patterns is $2^{\binom{3}{2}} = 8$

#possible response categories to the power of #comparisons



Between-comparisons Dependencies

one important feature of the pattern models is

- we can give up the (unrealistic) assumption of independent decisions
- we assume that dependencies between responses come from repeated evaluation of the same objects in PC comparing (j with k) and comparing (j with l) the assessment of common object j might be similar in both comparisons

we can now include dependence terms of the form:

$$\theta_{(jk),(jl)}$$

for pairs of comparisons with one object in common



Pattern Model Extensions: Overview

all extensions as before also apply to pattern models

- undecided ($3^{\binom{J}{2}}$) different patterns)
- subject covariates
- object specific covariates

but we can give up the assumption of independent decisions

- by introducing between-comparisons dependencies

and we can also deal with various response formats

- (real) paired comparisons
- ranking data
- rating data



Dependencies are nuisance parameters

but have interpretation of • pairwise "coherent decisions"
we look at two **comparisons** y_{12} , y_{13} given $y_{(2>3)}$

expected numbers	y_{12}	y_{13}	y_{23}	$y_{(2>3)}$	y_{13}
	1	1	1	$y_{(1>3)}$	$y_{(3>1)}$
$m_{11 2}$	1	-1	1	y_{12}	$m_{11 2}$
$m_{13 2}$	-1	1	1	y_{13}	$m_{13 2}$
$m_{21 2}$	-1	-1	1	$y_{(2>1)}$	$m_{21 2}$
$m_{23 2}$				$m_{23 2}$	

$$OR = \frac{m_{11|2}m_{23|2}}{m_{21|2}m_{13|2}}$$

nominator are "coherent" decisions
denominator are "incoherent" decisions

"coherent" decisions: common object is preferred or not preferred in both comparisons

$$\ln OR = 4\theta_{(jk),(jl)}$$

dependence parameters
(option: ia = T in `prefmod`)



Design structure - with dependencies

y_{12}	y_{13}	y_{23}	counts	γ	λ_1	λ_2	λ_3	$\theta_{12,13}$	$\theta_{12,23}$	$\theta_{13,23}$
			c	x	x_1	x_2	x_3	$y_{12}y_{13}$	$y_{12}y_{23}$	$y_{13}y_{23}$
1	1	1	n_1	1	2	0	-2	1	1	1
1	1	-1	n_2	1	2	-2	0	1	-1	-1
1	-1	1	n_3	1	0	0	0	-1	1	-1
1	-1	-1	n_4	1	0	-2	2	-1	-1	1
-1	1	1	n_5	1	0	2	-2	-1	-1	1
-1	1	-1	n_6	1	0	0	0	-1	1	-1
-1	-1	1	n_7	1	-2	2	0	1	-1	-1
-1	-1	-1	n_8	1	-2	0	2	1	1	1



What makes a good teacher ?

239 education students at Vienna were asked to compare qualities of a good teacher in 2006 through a complete paired comparison experiment

Quality of the teachers are:

ST Structure of instruction

CM Class Management: productive environment - not wasting time

AC Activity: Success in getting students to participate

SU Support: Looking after every single pupil



Data

- 4 items **ST, CM, AC, SU**
- 3 subject covariates
- SEX ... (1 = female) (2 = male)
- SCH ... school (1 = secondary) (2 = vocational) (3 = university)
- LEI ... achievement test (0–100 test points)
- no undecided
- but missing values (NA)

Coding for each comparison (V1, ..., V6) is

$$(jk) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if first item is preferred to second item } (j > k) \\ 1 & \text{if second item is preferred to first item } (k > j) \end{cases}$$

First respondent (subject covariates always at the end)

V1 (12) (ST,CM)	V2 (13) (ST,AC)	V3 (23) (CM,AC)	V4 (14) (ST,SU)	V5 (24) (CM,SU)	V6 (34) (AC,SU)	SEX	SCH	LEI
0	0	1	1	1	1	2	1	30

file = "teacher4items.dat"

REMARK: if coding is not 1,-1 but e.g. 0,1 the smaller number means first item in comparison is preferred



Function: pattPC.fit() user friendly function (restricted functionality)

Read in data:

```
> teacher4 <- read.table("../data/teacher4items.dat",
+ header = TRUE)
> teacher4 <- na.omit(teacher4)
> it4 <- c("ST", "CM", "AC", "SU")
```

basic model (no dependencies)

```
> mtp <- pattPC.fit(teacher4, nitems = 4, undec = F, ia = F,
+ formel =~ 1, elim = ~SEX*SCH, obj.names = it4)
```

Options = $\begin{cases} \text{teacher4} & \text{data.frame} \\ \text{nitems} = 4 & 4 \text{ items} \\ \text{undec} = F & \text{no undecided} \\ \text{ia} = F & \text{no dependencies} \\ \text{formel} =~ 1 & \text{model is ST+CM+AC+SU} \\ \text{elim} =~ \text{SEX} * \text{SCH} & \text{defines maximal table} \\ \text{obj.names} = \text{it4} & \text{names of items} \end{cases}$

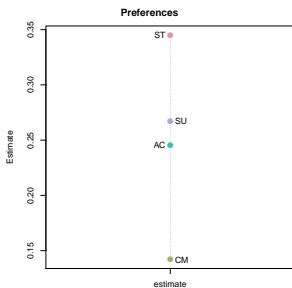
many other options: > see ?pattPC.fit



Functions: `patt.worth()`, `plotworth()`

- Calculate worth and plot for basic model mtp

```
> wp <- patt.worth(mtp)
> #wl <- patt.worth(mtp, outmat = "lambda")
> plotworth(wp)
```



- compare results of llbt model and pattern model

llbt model: `llbtPC.fit()`

```
> ml <- llbtPC.fit(teacher4, nitems = 4, undec = F,
+                   formel = ~ 1, elim = ~SEX*SCH, obj.names = it4)
> coef(ml)
Coefficients of interest:
  ST      CM      AC      SU
  0.1277 -0.3166 -0.0428    NA
```

pattern model: `pattPC.fit()`

```
> mp <- pattPC.fit(teacher4, nitems = 4, undec = F, ia = F,
+                   formel = ~ 1, elim = ~SEX*SCH, obj.names = it4)
> coef(mp)
Coefficients of interest:
  ST      CM      AC      SU
  0.1277 -0.3166 -0.0428    NA
```

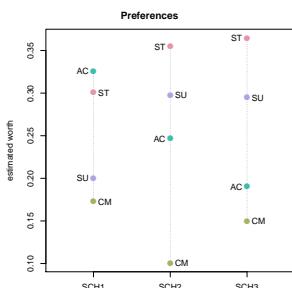
estimates are the same

include categorical subject covariate e.g. schooltype SCH

using `pattPC.fit`

```
> mtp_sch <- pattPC.fit(teacher4, nitems = 4, undec = F, ia = F,
+                         formel = ~ SCH, elim = ~SEX*SCH, obj.names = it4)

> w_sch <- patt.worth(mtp_sch)
> plotworth(w_sch, ylab = "estimated worth")
```



basic pattern model: without dependencies

```
> mia0 <- pattPC.fit(teacher4, nitems = 4, undec = F, ia = F,
+                      formel = ~ 1, elim = ~1, obj.names = it4)

> coef(mia0)
[1] 0.1277 -0.3166 -0.0428
```

- include **dependencies** - option: `ia = TRUE`

```
> mia1 <- pattPC.fit(teacher4, nitems = 4, undec = F, ia = T,
+                      formel = ~ 1, elim = ~1, obj.names = it4)
```

```

> mia1
Results of pattern model for paired comparison

Call:
pattPC.fit(obj = teacher4, nitems = 4, formel = ~1, elim = ~1,
obj.names = it4, undec = F, ia = T)

Deviance: 103
log likelihood: -820

no of iterations: 22 (Code: 1 )

      estimate      se      z p-value
ST     0.1356 0.0594  2.284  0.0224
CM    -0.3140 0.0606 -5.179  0.0000
AC    -0.0184 0.0513 -0.359  0.7196
I12.13 -0.1512 0.0783 -1.932  0.0534
I12.14  0.1789 0.0815  2.195  0.0282
I13.14 -0.0765 0.0733 -1.044  0.2965
I12.23  0.3016 0.0845  3.569  0.0004
I12.24 -0.3604 0.0849 -4.246  0.0000
I23.24 -0.0191 0.0815 -0.234  0.8150
I13.23  0.0590 0.0714  0.826  0.4088
I13.34 -0.2062 0.0704 -2.930  0.0034
I23.34  0.0184 0.0702  0.261  0.7941
I14.24 -0.0323 0.0793 -0.407  0.6840
I14.34  0.1221 0.0715  1.707  0.0878
I24.34  0.0246 0.0733  0.336  0.7369

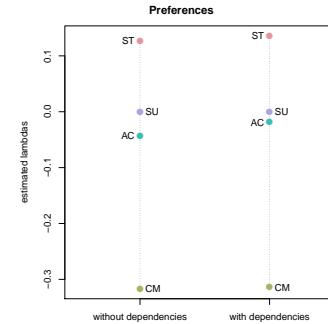
```

- Plot basic model without and with dependencies

```

> w_mia0 <- patt.worth(mia0, outmat = "lambda")
> w_mia1 <- patt.worth(mia1, outmat = "lambda")
> w_01 <- cbind(w_mia0, w_mia1)
> colnames(w_01) <- c("without dependencies", "with dependencies")
> plotworth(w_01, ylab = "estimated lambdas")

```



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Model fitting for more specialised models

use `patt.design()` and `gnm()`

- categorical subject covariates – use ♦ `cat.scovs = c(" ")`
- no dependencies – ♦ `ia = F`

(1) generate the design matrix with `patt.design()`

```

> des_t0<-patt.design(teacher4, 4,ia = F, cat.scovs = c("SCH"), objnames = it4)
> head(des_t0)
  y ST CM AC SU SCH
1 2 -3 -1  1  3   1
2 0 -3 -1  3  1   1
3 0 -3  1  1  1   1
4 0 -3  1  3 -1   1
5 2 -1 -1  1  1   1
6 1 -1 -1  3 -1   1

```

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(2) fit model using `gnm()`

```

> t0_sch <- gnm(y ~ ST+CM+AC+SU + (ST+CM+AC+SU):SCH,
+                  elim = SCH,
+                  family = poisson,
+                  data = des_t0)

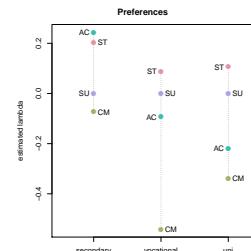
```

(3) to plot the results we can use ♦ `patt.worth` and `plotworth()`

```

> est0 <- patt.worth(t0_sch, outmat = "lambda")
> rownames(est0) <- it4
> colnames(est0) <- c("secondary", "vocational", "uni")
> plotworth(est0, ylab = "estimated lambda")

```





▷ categorical subject covariates and dependencies

- for categorical subject covariates – use ♠ cat.scovs = c(" ")
- for dependencies – use ♠ ia = T

(1) generate the design matrix with `patt.design()`

```
> des_t1<-patt.design(teacher4, 4, ia = T, cat.scovs = c("SCH"), objnames = it4)
```

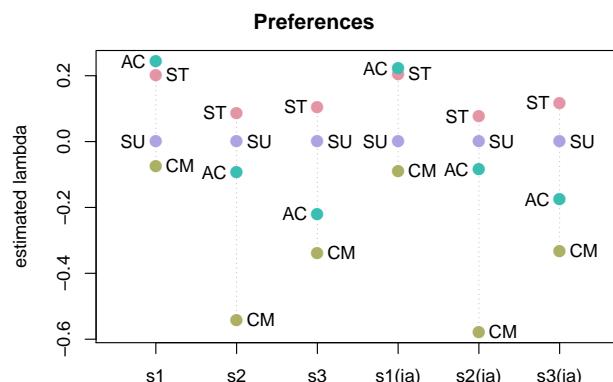
```
> des_t1[1,]
y ST CM AC SU I12.13 I12.14 I13.14 I12.23 I12.24 I23.24 I13.23
1 2 -3 -1 1 3 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
I13.34 I23.34 I14.24 I14.34 I24.34 SCH
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
```

(2) fit model using `gnm()`

```
> t1_sch <- gnm(y ~ ST+CM+AC+SU + (ST+CM+AC+SU):SCH +
+ I12.13+I12.14+I13.14+I12.23+I12.24+I23.24+I13.23+I13.34+
+ I23.34+I14.24+I14.34+I24.34,
+ elim = SCH,
+ family = poisson,
+ data = des_t1)
```



```
> plotworth(e_01, ylab = "estimated lambda")
```



(3) comparing results with and without dependencies

```
> est_t0 <- patt.worth(t0_sch, outmat = "lambda")
> est_t1 <- patt.worth(t1_sch, outmat = "lambda")
> e_01 <- cbind(est_t0, est_t1)
> colnames(e_01) <- c("s1", "s2", "s3", "s1(ia)", "s2(ia)",
+ "s3(ia)")
> rownames(e_01) <- it4
```

(4) compare results using `anova()`

```
> anova(t0_o1, t0_o2)
Analysis of Deviance Table
```

Model	y ~ focus		
Model 1:	y ~ ST + CM + AC + SU		
Resid.	Df Resid.	Dev Df Deviance	
1	62	228	
2	60	175	2 53



▷ Numerical Subject Covariates

basic pattern-model has to be extended for each individual i

$$\ln m(1, 1, 1) = \ln \delta + 2\lambda_1 - 2\lambda_3$$

We model $\lambda_{i,j}$ for one subject covariate x through the relationship

$$\lambda_{i,j} = \lambda_j + \beta_j x_i \quad \text{where } x_i \text{ is the covariate value for individual } i$$

For each object j , there is one β -parameter which describes the effect of the covariate on that item.

† the design matrix has to be replicated for each different value of subject covariate – it might become rather large - use with care



▷ **step 1:** generate the design matrix with `patt.design()`

◆ `option: num.scovs = " "`

```
> des_n <- patt.design(teacher4, 4, num.scovs = "LEI", objnames = it4 )
> des_n[1:8,]
   y ST CM AC SU LEI CASE
1 0 -3 -1  1  3 30  1
2 0 -3 -1  3  1 30  1
3 0 -3  1  1  1 30  1
4 0 -3  1  3 -1 30  1
5 0 -1 -1  1  1 30  1
6 0 -1 -1  3 -1 30  1
7 0 -1  1 -1  30  1
8 0 -1  1  3 -3 30  1
```

▷ **step 2:** fit model

CASE is a subject covariate, therefore ♦ `eliminate = CASE`

```
> t_n <- gnm(y ~ ST+CM+AC+SU + (ST+CM+AC+SU):LEI,
+               eliminate = CASE,
+               family = poisson,
+               data = des_n)
```



▷ **step 3:** calculate the worth (♦ can not use `patt.worth()`)

- extract coefficients

```
> cc <- coef(t_n)
```

- replace all NA coefficients with zero

```
> cc <- ifelse(is.na(cc),0,cc)
```

- extract coefficients

```
> a <- cc[1:4]
```

```
> b <- cc[5:8]
```

- make a sequence for X coordinate (here person variable LEI) to be plotted

```
> attach(teacher4)
```

The following object(s) are masked from 'teacher4 (position 3)':

LEI, SCH, SEX, V1, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6

```
> s <- seq(min(LEI),max(LEI),0.01)
```



- we write a function to calculate worth

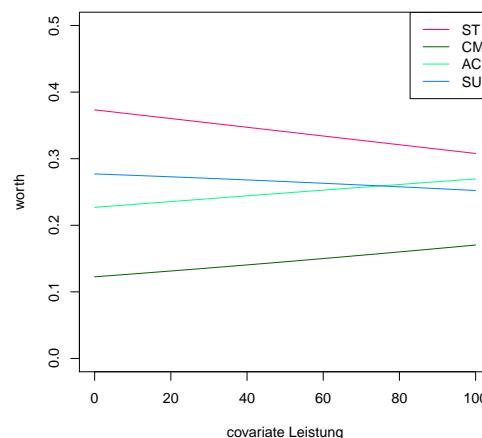
```
> ww <- function(x,a,b){exp(2*(a+b*x))/sum(exp(2*(a+b*x)))}
```

- calculate worth matrix

```
> res <- sapply(s, ww, a, b)
> res[, 1]
   ST    CM     AC     SU
0.373 0.123 0.227 0.277
```

- plot the worth

```
> plot(s,res[1,],type="l",ylim=c(0,0.5),xlim=range(LEI),
+       col= farbe[12],ylab = "worth",xlab = "covariate Leistung")
> lines(s,res[2,],col="darkgreen")
> lines(s,res[3,],col=farbe[6])
> lines(s,res[4,],col=farbe[8])
> legend("topright",rownames(res),lty=1,
+        col=c(farbe[12],"darkgreen",farbe[c(6,8)]))
```





Object covariate in pattern models

- We are interested if teaching qualities with a common attribute can be regarded as a group having the same rank
- consider the attribute `focus` (with two levels): universities are either located south or north
- the quality ST, AC are focused on achievement: values of focus are 1
- the quality CM, SU are focused on social aspects: values of focus are 0

The values for `focus` are given as follows:

Objects	ST	CM	AC	SU
focus	1	0	1	0



(1) setup object covariate – make data.frame

```
> focus <- c(1,0,1,0)
> objs <- data.frame(focus=focus)
```

(2) generate design matrix – use ♦ `objcovs = objs`

```
> des_o1<-patt.design(teacher4, 4,ia = F, objcovs = objs, objnames = it4)
```

we look at design matrix

```
> head(des_o1)
   y ST CM AC SU focus
1 3 -3 -1  1  3   -2
2 2 -3 -1  3  1    0
3 0 -3  1  1  1   -2
4 1 -3  1  3 -1    0
5 2 -1 -1  1  1    0
6 2 -1 -1  3 -1    2
```

vector multiplication $(3,1,-1,-3)(1,0,1,0)^T = -2$

```
> o <- des_o1[2:5]
> focus <- o %*% focus
```



(3) fit model for object covariate

```
> t0_o1 <- gnm(y ~ focus, family = poisson, data = des_o1)
> t0_o1
Call:
gnm(formula = y ~ focus, family = poisson, data = des_o1)
```

Coefficients:

(Intercept)	focus
1.141	0.195

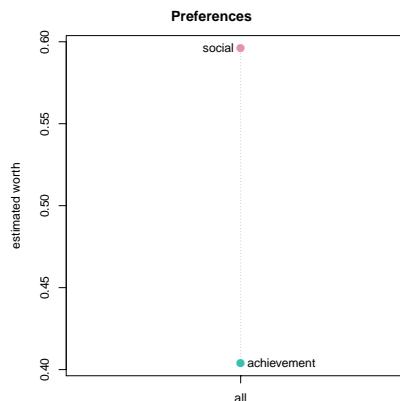
Deviance: 228
Pearson chi-squared: 292
Residual df: 62

(4) calculate the lambdas and plot

```
> e_o1 <- patt.worth(t0_o1)
> colnames(e_o1)<-c("all" )
> rownames(e_o1)<- c("social", "achievement")
```



```
> plotworth(e_o1, ylab = "estimated worth")
```





▷ compare models:

- model with object covariate is t0_o1 : deviance = 228, df = 62
- calculate model for all objects: t0_o2

```
> des_o2<-patt.design(teacher4, 4,ia = F, objnames = it4)
> t0_o2 <- gnm(y ~ ST + CM + AC + SU, family = poisson, data = des_o2)
> t0_o2
Call:

gnm(formula = y ~ ST + CM + AC + SU, family = poisson, data = des_o2)
```

Coefficients:
 (Intercept) ST CM AC SU
 1.0110 0.1277 -0.3166 -0.0428 NA

Deviance: 175

Pearson chi-squared: 212

Residual df: 60

```
> p<- 1-pchisq(53,2)
```

p-value < 0.00000001 – reduction not feasible!



Responsetype: Rankings

full rankings:

- people are asked to rank objects (items) regarding a certain aspect
(e.g. alcohol or beers)
- all possible pairs are constructed afterwards
- no undecided category !

ordinal responses are transformed into paired comparisons

resulting PCs are called [derived PC patterns](#)



Transformation: Ranking to PC

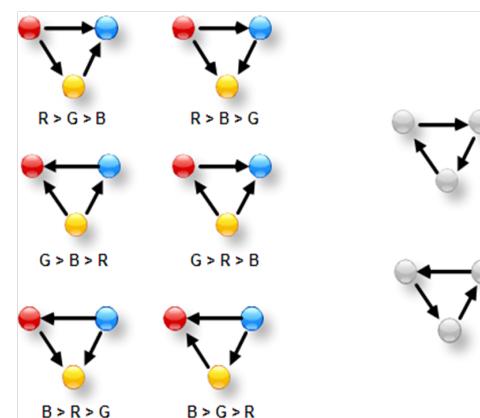
Data			Response	comparison		
R	G	B		RG	RB	GB
1	2	3	R>G>B	1	1	1
1	3	2	R>B>G	1	1	-1
-	-	-	-	1	-1	1
2	3	1	B>R>G	1	-1	-1
2	1	3	G>R>B	-1	1	1
-	-	-	-	-1	1	-1
3	1	2	G>B>R	-1	-1	1
3	2	1	B>G>R	-1	-1	-1

- number of possible patterns is $3! = 6$ compared to $2^{\binom{3}{2}} = 8$



Transitive – Intransitive Patterns

Transitive Patterns



Intransitive Patterns
bei Rankings nicht möglich



Pattern Model: Rankings

The probability for the ranking $R = 2, G = 3, B = 1$ transformed into pattern $1, -1, -1$ is given by:

$$p(s_k) \Rightarrow p(y_{12}, y_{13}, y_{23}) = \delta \left(\frac{\sqrt{\pi_1}}{\sqrt{\pi_2}} \right)^1 \left(\frac{\sqrt{\pi_1}}{\sqrt{\pi_3}} \right)^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{\pi_2}}{\sqrt{\pi_3}} \right)^{-1}$$

$$p(2, 3, 1) \Rightarrow p(s_4) = p(1, -1, -1) = \delta \left(\frac{\sqrt{\pi_1}}{\sqrt{\pi_2}} \right) \left(\frac{\sqrt{\pi_3}}{\sqrt{\pi_1}} \right) \left(\frac{\sqrt{\pi_3}}{\sqrt{\pi_2}} \right)$$

The log expected number for the ranking can be rewritten as

$$\ln m(1, -1, -1) = \ln \delta - 2\lambda_2 + 2\lambda_3$$

▷ number of ranked objects $J!$



data file: salad is in prefmod

> data(salad)

the first and last six rankings are:

> head(salad)

```
A B C D
1 1 2 3 4
2 1 2 3 4
3 2 1 3 4
4 2 1 4 3
5 2 1 4 3
6 2 3 1 4
> tail(salad)
A B C D
27 4 1 3 2
28 4 2 1 3
29 4 2 1 3
30 4 2 1 3
31 4 3 1 2
32 4 3 2 1
```



Example: Rankings

Vargo (1989) collected a ranking data set which was analysed by Critchlow, Fligner (Psychometrika, 1991)

- 32 judges were asked to rank four salad dressings according tartness.
- A low rank means very tart.



▷ User friendly function `pattR.fit()`(restricted functionality)

```
> salmod <- pattR.fit(salad, nitems = 4)
> salmod
Results of pattern model for rankings
```

Call:
`pattR.fit(obj = salad, nitems = 4)`

Deviance: 22.2
log likelihood: -77.4

no of iterations: 10 (Code: 1)

	estimate	se	z	p-value
A	-0.277	0.125	-2.23	0.0259
B	0.591	0.143	4.13	0.0000
C	0.189	0.111	1.69	0.0903

Does the model fit?

deviance is: 22.2 and $df = \#patterns - \#estimates = 4! - 4 = 24 - 4$
 $1 - pchisq(22.2, 20) = 0.33$

Model fitting with `patt.design()` and `gnm()`

- use ♠ `resptype = "ranking"`

```
> saldes <- patt.design(salad, nitems = 4, resptype = "ranking")
> salmod1 <- gnm(y ~ A + B + C + D, family = poisson, data = saldes)
> salmod1
Call:

gnm(formula = y ~ A + B + C + D, family = poisson, data = saldes)
```

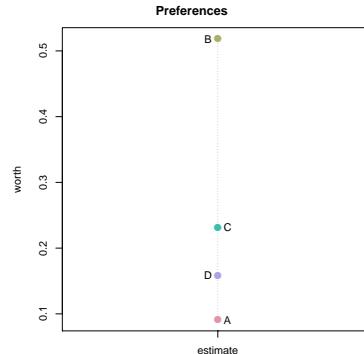
Coefficients:

(Intercept)	A	B	C	D
-0.802	-0.277	0.591	0.189	NA

Deviance: 22.2
 Pearson chi-squared: 27.4
 Residual df: 20

Functions: `patt.worth()`, `plotworth()`

```
> worth <- patt.worth(salmod1)
> plotworth(worth, ylab = "worth")
```

object specific covariates: use `patt.design()`, `gnm()`

- salads A - D have varying concentrations

the four pairs of concentrations of acetic and gluconic acid are:

 $A = (.5, 0)$, $B = (.5, 10.0)$, $C = (1.0, 0)$, and $D = (0, 10.0)$

▷ substitute each pattern of the design matrix by
 acetic / gluconic concentration

(1) make a data frame with 2 object covariates

```
> acid <- c(0.5,0.5,1,0)
> gluc <- c(0,10,0,10)
> conc <- data.frame(acid = acid, gluc = gluc)
> conc
  acid gluc
1 0.5   0
2 0.5  10
3 1.0   0
4 0.0  10
```



(2) make a design matrix –

use options ♠ `objcovs = conc` and ♠ `resptype = "ranking"`

```
> saldes2 <- patt.design(salad, nitems = 4,
+                           objcovs = conc, resptype = "ranking")
> head(saldes2)
  y  A  B  C  D acid gluc
1 2  3  1 -1 -3   1  -20
2 1  1  3 -1 -3   1   0
3 1  1 -1  3 -3   3  -40
4 0  3 -1  1 -3   2  -40
5 2 -1  3  1 -3   2   0
6 0 -1  1  3 -3   3  -20
```

(3) fit model

```
> salmod2 <- gnm(y ~ acid + gluc, family = poisson, data = saldes2)
deviance, df: all objects model salmod1 : 22.2, 20
deviance, df: object covs model salmod2 : 22.7, 21
```



can we simplify? YES!

```
> anova(salmod1, salmod2)
Analysis of Deviance Table
```

	Model 1: $y \sim A + B + C + D$	Model 2: $y \sim acid + gluc$		
Resid.	Df	Resid. Df	Dev Df	Deviance
1	20	22.2		
2	21	22.8	-1	-0.499



calculate reparameterised estimates

```
> est <- patt.worth(salmod2, outmat="lambda")
> est
  estimate
A    0.525
B    1.388
C    1.051
D    0.863
attr(,"objtable")
  acid gluc x
1  0.5    0 A
2  1.0    0 C
3  0.0   10 D
4  0.5   10 B
```



model salmod2 with object covariates

```
> summary(salmod2)
Call:
```

```
gnm(formula = y ~ acid + gluc, family = poisson, data = saldes2)
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-1.952	-0.581	-0.335	0.182	2.250

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z)
(Intercept)	-0.7815	0.3811	-2.05	0.04
acid	1.0506	0.2074	5.07	4.1e-07
gluc	0.0863	0.0164	5.27	1.3e-07

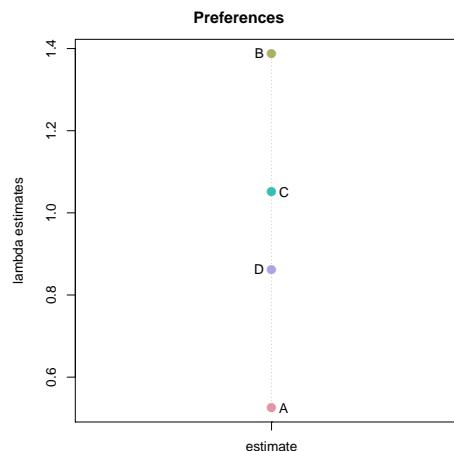
(Dispersion parameter for poisson family taken to be 1)

Residual deviance: 22.747 on 21 degrees of freedom
AIC: 59.49

Number of iterations: 5



```
> plotworth(est, ylab = "lambda estimates")
```





Example: Ratings

we used a data set collected by the British Household Panel Study in 1996 where we have chosen three Likert items which ask respondents for their concern about:

- the destruction of the ozone layer (OZ)
- the high rate of unemployment (UN)
- declining moral standards (MO)

the possible answers are:

- A great deal 1
- A fair amount 2
- Not very much ... 3
- Not at all 4

low numbers mean a high concern and higher number lower concern!



Pattern Model: Ratings

the probability for the rating $OZ = 1, UN = 4, MO = 4$ transformed into pattern $(1, 1, 0)$ is given by:

$$p(1, 1, 0) = \delta \left(\frac{\sqrt{\pi_1}}{\sqrt{\pi_2}} \right) \left(\frac{\sqrt{\pi_1}}{\sqrt{\pi_3}} \right) \gamma_{23}$$

the log expected number for the rating can be rewritten as

$$\ln m(1, 1, 0) = \ln \delta + 2\lambda_1 - 1\lambda_2 - 1\lambda_3 + u_{23}$$

where the γ s are the undecided parameter



Transformation: Ratings to PC

for example the Likert response pattern was

$$OZ = 1, UN = 4, MO = 4$$

we have 3 items and therefore 3 comparisons:

$$(12) = (OZ, UN) \quad (13) = (OZ, MO) \quad (23) = (UN, MO)$$

- as $OZ > UN$ we assign $y_{12} = 1$
- as $OZ > MO$ we assign $y_{13} = 1$
- as $UN = MO$ we assign $y_{23} = 0$ which is undecided

so we get the following (derived) PC pattern:

$$1, 1, 0$$



Transformation: Rating to PC

restricted example for 3 items, only 2 response categories
e.g., concern yes= 1 and concern no= 2

Rating patterns			derived PC-patterns			unique PC-patterns		
i_1	i_2	i_3				y_{12}	y_{13}	y_{23}
1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	2	0	1	1	0	1	1
1	2	1	1	0	-1	1	0	-1
1	2	2	1	1	0	1	1	0
2	1	1	-1	-1	0	-1	-1	0
2	1	2	-1	0	1	-1	0	1
2	2	1	0	-1	-1	0	-1	-1
2	2	2	0	0	0			

▷ for 3 items only 7 possible patterns (instead of $9 = 3^3$ possible patterns)



Design structure: Rating

restricted example (cont.)

derived patterns			unique patterns		design structure							
					X							
					counts	$\ln \delta$	λ_1	λ_2	λ_3	γ_{12}	γ_{13}	γ_{23}
			y_{12}	y_{13}	y_{23}		x_1	x_2	x_3	u_{12}	u_{13}	u_{23}
0	0	0	0	0	0	n_1	1	0	0	0	1	1
0	1	1	0	1	1	n_2	1	1	1	-2	1	0
1	0	-1	1	0	-1	n_3	1	1	-2	1	0	1
1	1	0	1	1	0	n_4	1	2	-1	-1	0	0
-1	-1	0	-1	-1	0	n_5	1	-2	1	1	0	0
-1	0	1	-1	0	1	n_6	1	-1	2	-1	0	1
0	-1	-1	0	-1	-1	n_6	1	-1	-1	2	1	0
0	0	0										0

► additionally we have undecided parameters for each comparison



result:

```
> lm1
Results of pattern model for ratings
```

Call:
`pattL.fit(obj = t3dat, nitems = 3, elim = ~sex * age4k, undec = T)`

Deviance: 955
log likelihood: -8843
eliminated term(s): ~age4k + age4k:sex + sex

no of iterations: 8 (Code: 1)

	estimate	se	z	p-value
OZ	-0.3108	0.0161	-19.28	0
UN	-0.0663	0.0155	-4.27	0
U	0.8457	0.0137	61.69	0

► Note: only one general undecided parameter u when using `pattL.fit()`



► User friendly function (restricted functionality)

Function: `pattL.fit()`

data preparation

```
> t3dat<-read.table("../data/t3dat.dat", header=TRUE)
> #attach(t3dat)
> t3dat$sex<-factor(t3dat$sex)
> t3dat$age4k<-factor(t3dat$age4k)
```

- We fit pattern rating models with undecided parametes ♦ `undec = T`

```
> lm1 <- pattL.fit(t3dat, 3, undec = T, elim = ~sex * age4k)
```



• we fit model with and without undecided

```
> lmo0 <- pattL.fit(t3dat, 3, elim = ~sex * age4k)
> lm1 <- pattL.fit(t3dat, 3, undec = T, elim = ~sex * age4k)
```

Compare models: we need to calculate deviance change
(2* difference of the log likelihoods)

```
> dch <- 2*abs(lm1$ll-lmo0$ll)
> # deviance change - (2* difference of the log likelihoods)
> df1<-length(lm1$coef)
> df2<-length(lmo0$coef)
> dfc <- abs(df1-df2)
> # difference of df
> p <- 1 - pchisq(dch,dfc)
> p
[1] 0
```

- the change in deviance is 3350.2 on 1 df – highly significant!

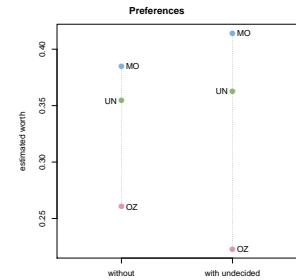
- Note: we **can not** use `anova()` when using `pattL.fit()`



calculate the worth and plot

```
> w0 <- patt.worth(lm0)
> w1 <- patt.worth(lm1)
> w01 <- cbind(w0, w1)
> colnames(w01) <- c("without", "with undecided")

> plotworth(w01, ylab = "estimated worth")
```



Model fitting with `patt.design()` and `gnm()`

(1) generate the design matrix with `patt.design()`

use ♦option: `resptype="rating"`

```
> dlm1 <- patt.design(t3dat, nitems=3, resptype="rating",
+                         cat.scovs=c("sex", "age4k"))
```

> head(dlm1)

	y	OZ	UN	MO	u12	u13	u23	sex	age4k
1	41	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
2	17	1	1	-2	1	0	0	1	1
3	9	1	-2	1	0	1	0	1	1
4	11	2	-1	-1	0	0	1	1	1
5	0	2	0	-2	0	0	0	1	1
6	2	2	2	-2	0	0	0	0	1

▷ Note: we get undecided parameters for each comparison



(2) fit model with undecided using `gnm()`

```
> plm1 <- gnm( y ~ OZ+UN+MO + u12+u13+u23,
+                 eliminate = sex:age4k,
+                 data=dlm1,family=poisson)

> plm1
Call:

gnm(formula = y ~ OZ + UN + MO + u12 + u13 + u23, eliminate = sex:age4k,
      family = poisson, data = dlm1)
```

Coefficients of interest:

OZ	UN	MO	u12	u13	u23
-0.2901	-0.0557	NA	0.9004	0.6372	0.9964

Deviance: 918

Pearson chi-squared: 940

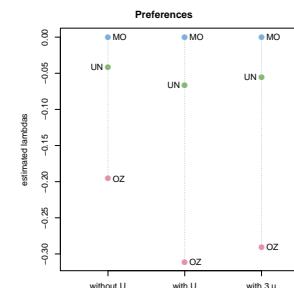
Residual df: 91



- Plot λs for the three models lm0 lm1 plm1 (no dependencies)

```
> w0 <- patt.worth(lm0, outmat="lambda")
> w1 <- patt.worth(lm1, outmat="lambda")
> w2 <- patt.worth(plm1, outmat="lambda")
> w_012 <- cbind(w0,w1,w2)
> colnames(w_012)<-c("without U", "with U", "with 3 u" )

> plotworth(w_012, ylab = "estimated lambdas")
```



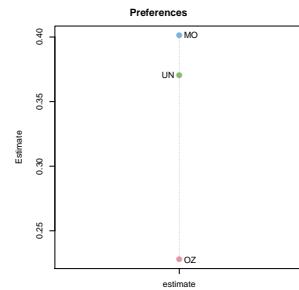


- We fit model with dependencies and undecided parameter

```
pattL.fit() - use ♦ ia = T, undec = T,
```

```
> lm2 <- pattL.fit(t3dat, 3, undec = T, ia = T, elim = ~sex * age4k)
```

```
> w2 <- patt.worth(lm2)
> plotworth(w2)
```



- We fit model with subject covariates

```
pattL.fit() - use ♦ formel = ~ ..., elim = ~ ...
```

two-way interaction model: sex * age4k

```
> lm4 <- pattL.fit(t3dat, 3, undec = T, ia = T,
+ formel =~ sex * age4k, elim = ~sex * age4k)
```

two main effects model: sex + age4k

```
> lm3 <- pattL.fit(t3dat, 3, undec = T, ia = T,
+ formel =~ sex + age4k, elim = ~sex * age4k)
```



- compare models sex*age4k and sex+age4k:

we need to calculate deviance change using 2* difference of the log likelihoods

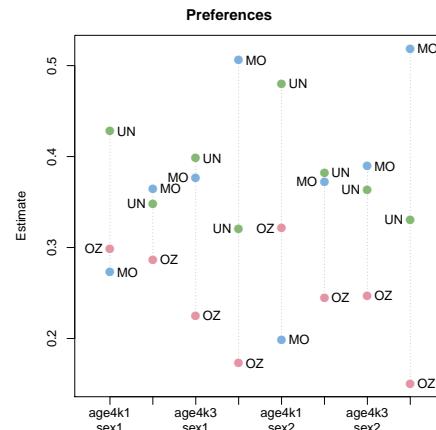
```
> dch <- 2*abs(lm4$ll-lm3$ll)
> # deviance change - (2* difference of the log likelihood)
> df1<-length(lm4$coef)
> df2<-length(lm3$coef)
> dfc <- abs(df1-df2)
> # difference of df
> p <-1 - pchisq(dch,dfc)
> p
[1] 0.0379
```

- the change in deviance is 13.3 on 6 df is significant!

Can not reduce model to main effects model or smaller model !



```
> worth4 <- patt.worth(lm4)
> plotworth(worth4)
```





Response-format	Model		Designmatrix	Estimation	Notes
real PCs	LLBT	Data	<code>llbt.design()</code>	<code>glm()</code> , <code>gnm()</code>	1,2,(3),4, (5)
		Data	<code>llbt.design()</code>	<code>llbt.fit()</code>	1,3,4,5
		Data	—————>	<code>llbtPC.fit()</code>	1,3,5
	Pattern	Data	<code>patt.design()</code>	<code>glm()</code> , <code>gnm()</code>	2,4,(5),6
		Data	—————>	<code>pattPC.fit()</code>	1,3,(5),6
Rankings	Pattern	Data	<code>patt.design()</code>	<code>glm()</code> , <code>gnm()</code>	2,4,(5)
Ratings (Likert)	Pattern	Data	—————>	<code>pattR.fit()</code>	1,3,5
		Data	<code>patt.design()</code>	<code>glm()</code> , <code>gnm()</code>	2,4,(5)
			(1) NAs (2) R standard Output (3) larger number of comparisons (objects)	(4) object specific covariates (5) continuous subject covariates (6) dependencies	



Further Extensions

- multidimensional PC pattern models
when objects are compared on more than one attribute
- repeated evaluation of the same objects by the same judges (panel data)
- missing values in pattern models
- mixture models (latent class) for all extensions
- further response formats
e.g. partial rankings, piling, best to worst scaling
- combinations of these options



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