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`add_data` *Add data to a `sgldata` data object*

**Description**

Addes a data to a `sgldata` data object

**Usage**

```
add_data(data, x, name, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	<code>sgldata</code> object
<code>x</code>	data object to add,
<code>name</code>	name of data object
<code>...</code>	additional parameters

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

`add_data.sgldata` *Add data to a `sgldata` data object*

**Description**

Addes a data to a `sgldata` data object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'sgldata'
add_data(data, x, name, default = NULL,
         type = element_class(x), sparse = is(x, "sparseMatrix"), ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	<code>sgldata</code> object
<code>x</code>	matrix or vector,
<code>name</code>	name of the data object
<code>default</code>	default value, returned if <code>x</code> is null
<code>type</code>	data type, 'numeric' or 'integer'
<code>sparse</code>	if TRUE <code>y</code> will be treated as sparse, if FALSE <code>y</code> will be treated as dens.
<code>...</code>	not used

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

**See Also**

Other sgldata: [create.sgldata](#), [prepare.args.sgldata](#), [prepare.args](#), [prepare\\_data](#), [rearrange.sgldata](#), [subsample.sgldata](#)

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best_model	<i>Index of best model</i>
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**Description**

Returns the index of the best model

**Usage**

```
best_model(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	an sgl object
...	additional parameters (optional)

**Value**

index of the best model.

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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best_model.sgl	<i>Index of best model</i>
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**Description**

Returns the index of the best model, in terms of lowest error rate

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'sgl'
best_model(object, pkg, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	a sgl object
pkg	name of calling package
...	additional parameters (optional)

**Value**

index of the best model.

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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 coef.sgl

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*Extracting the nonzero coefficients*


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**Description**

This function returns the nonzero coefficients (that is the nonzero entries of the *beta* matrices)

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'sgl'
coef(object, index = 1:nmod(object), parameter = "beta",
     ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	a sgl object
index	indices of the models
parameter	name of the parameter (default is 'beta')
...	ignored

**Value**

a list of with nonzero coefficients of the models

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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compute_error	<i>Helper function for computing error rates</i>
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### Description

This function can be used to compute mean error rates. It is consist with the use cases of the Err genetic function. The loss function should be of the form `function(x, y)` and must return a single numeric number, with `x` a list of true responses and `y` a list of responses (one list element for each sample).

### Usage

```
compute_error(x, response_name, true_response, loss,
             transposed_response = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

<code>x</code>	sgl object containing responses
<code>response_name</code>	the name of the response.
<code>true_response</code>	the true response
<code>loss</code>	the loss function.
<code>transposed_response</code>	have the response list been transposed with <code>transpose_response_elements</code>

### Value

a vector or matrix with the computed error rates

### Author(s)

Martin Vincent

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create.sgldata	<i>Create a sgldata object</i>
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### Description

Creates a sgldata object from a design matrix and an optional response vector or matrix.

### Usage

```
create.sgldata(x, y, response_dimension = .get_response_dimension(y),
              response_names = .get_response_names(y), sparseX = is(x,
"sparseMatrix"), sparseY = is(y, "sparseMatrix"),
              typeX = element_class(x), typeY = element_class(y))
```

**Arguments**

x	the design matrix, a matrix of size $N \times p$ (will be parsed to the loss module as X).
y	the responses, NULL, a vector or a matrix (will be parsed to the loss module as matrix Y)..
response_dimension	number of models, that is the dimension of the returned response.
response_names	names of models, that is the names of the elements of the returned response.
sparseX	if TRUE x will be treated as sparse, if FALSE x will be treated as dens.
sparseY	if TRUE y will be treated as sparse, if FALSE y will be treated as dens.
typeX	type of the elements of x.
typeY	type of the elements of y.

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

**See Also**

Other sgldata: [add\\_data.sgldata](#), [prepare.args.sgldata](#), [prepare.args.prepare\\_data](#), [rearrange.sgldata](#), [subsample.sgldata](#)

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element_class	<i>Return the element class of an object.</i>
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**Description**

Return the element class of an object. The object must be a matrix, vector or NULL. The element class of NULL is NULL

**Usage**

```
element_class(x)
```

**Arguments**

x	a matrix, vector or NULL
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**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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`Err`*Generic function for computing error rates*

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### Description

Compute and returns an error rate for each model contained in `x`. See details for generic use cases.

### Usage

```
Err(object, data, response, ...)
```

### Arguments

<code>object</code>	an object
<code>data</code>	a data object
<code>response</code>	a response object
<code>...</code>	additional parameters (optional)

### Details

The following generic use case should be supported (see for example `msg1` package for an implementation):

1. With `fit` a `sgl` fit object with models estimated using `x` data, the code `Err(fit, x)` should return a vector with the *training errors* of the models.
2. With `x.new` a new data set with known responses `response.new`, the code `Err(fit, x.new, response.new)` should return a vector with the errors of the models when applied to the new data set.
3. With `fit.cv` a `sgl` cross validation object, the code `Err(fit.cv)` should return a vector with estimates of the *expected generalization errors* of the models (i.e. the cross validation errors).
4. If subsampling is supported then, with `fit.sub` a `sgl` subsampling object, the code `Err(fit.sub)` should return a matrix with the test errors (each column corresponding to a model, i.e. rows corresponds to tests).

### Value

a vector of length `nmod(object)` or a matrix with `nmod(object)` columns containing error rates for the models



**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

**See Also**

compute\_error

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Err.sgl*Error Rates*

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**Description**

Compute and return the root-mean-square error for each model. This method is only intended for testing.

The root-mean-square error (RMSE) is

$$\frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N Y_{ji} - (X\hat{\beta})_{ji}}$$

RMSE is the default error.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'sgl'
Err(object, data = NULL, response = object$Y.true, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	a lsgl object.
data	a design matrix (the $X$ matrix).
response	a matrix of the true responses (the $Y$ matrix).
...	ignored.

**Value**

a vector of errors.

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

features                      *Extracts nonzero features*

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**Description**

Generic function for extracting nonzero features.

**Usage**

```
features(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object                      an object  
...                          additional parameters (optional)

**Value**

a list of length `nmod(x)` containing the nonzero features of the models.

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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features.sgl                      *Extracting nonzero features*

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**Description**

Extract the nonzero features of the fitted models

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'sgl'  
features(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object                      a sgl object  
...                          ignored

**Value**

a list of vectors containing the nonzero features (that is nonzero columns of the *beta* matrices)

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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features_stat	<i>Extract feature statistics</i>
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**Description**

Generic function for extracting feature statistics.

**Usage**

```
features_stat(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	an object
...	additional parameters (optional)

**Value**

an object containing the computed statistics.

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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features_stat.sgl	<i>Extract feature statistics</i>
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**Description**

Extracts the number of nonzero features (or group) in each model.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'sgl'  
features_stat(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	an object
...	ignored

**Value**

a vector of length `nmod(x)` or a matrix containing the number of nonzero features (or group) of the models.

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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get_coef	<i>Get the nonzero coefficients</i>
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**Description**

Extracting nonzero coefficients from list (of lists) of matrices

**Usage**

```
get_coef(object, index = 1:length(object))
```

**Arguments**

object	a list of lists of matrices or a list of matrices
index	indices to be extracted from

**Value**

a list (of lists) with the nonzero coefficients

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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models	<i>Extract fitted models</i>
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**Description**

Generic function for extracting the fitted models. Returns the fitted models.

**Usage**

```
models(object, index, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	an object
index	a vector of indices of the models to be returned
...	additional parameters (optional)

**Value**

a list of length `length(index)` containing the models

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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models.sgl

*Extract the estimated models*

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**Description**

This function returns the estimated models (that is the *beta* matrices)

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'sgl'
models(object, index = 1:nmod(object), ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>object</code>	a sgl object
<code>index</code>	indices of the models to be returned
<code>...</code>	ignored

**Value**

a list of sparse matrices

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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nmod

*Number of models used for fitting*

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**Description**

Generic function for counting the number of models used for fitting the object. Returns the number of models used for fitting. However, note that the objects returned by `msgl.cv` and `msgl.subsampling` does not contain any models even though `nmod` returns a nonzero number.

**Usage**

```
nmod(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object            an object  
...                additional parameters (optional)

**Value**

the number of models used when fitting the object x.

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

---

nmod.sgl

*Returns the number of models in a sgl object*

---

**Description**

Returns the number of models used for fitting.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'sgl'  
nmod(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object            a sgl object  
...                ignored

**Details**

Note that cv and subsampling objects does not conating any models even though nmod returns a positiv number.

**Value**

the number of models in object

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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parameters	<i>Extracts nonzero parameters</i>
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**Description**

Generic function for extracting nonzero parameters for each model.

**Usage**

```
parameters(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	an object
...	additional parameters (optional)

**Value**

a list of length `nmod(x)` containing the nonzero parameters of the models.

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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parameters.sgl	<i>Extracting nonzero parameters</i>
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**Description**

Extract the nonzero parameters in each model. Only the parameters of nonzero features (columns of the *beta* matrices) are returned.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'sgl'
parameters(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	a sgl object
...	ignored

**Value**

a list of vectors containing the nonzero parameters (that is nonzero entries of the *beta* matrices)

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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parameters\_stat      *Extract parameter statistics*

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**Description**

Generic function for extracting parameter statistics.

**Usage**

```
parameters_stat(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	an object
...	additional parameters (optional)

**Value**

an object containing the computed statistics.

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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parameters\_stat.sgl      *Extracting parameter statistics*

---

**Description**

Extracts the number of nonzero parameters in each model.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'sgl'  
parameters_stat(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	an object
...	ignored



**Value**

a vector of length `nmod(x)` or a matrix containing the number of nonzero parameters of the models.

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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```
prepare.args
```

*Generic function for preparing the sgl call arguments*

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**Description**

Compute and prepare the sgl call arguments for the objective function

$$\text{loss}(\text{data})(\beta) + \lambda \left( (1 - \alpha) \sum_{J=1}^m \gamma_J \|\beta^{(J)}\|_2 + \alpha \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i |\beta_i| \right)$$

where `loss` is a loss/objective function. The  $n$  parameters are organized in the parameter matrix  $\beta$  with dimension  $q \times p$ . The vector  $\beta^{(J)}$  denotes the  $J$  parameter group, the dimension of  $\beta^{(J)}$  is denote by  $d_J$ . The dimensions  $d_J$  must be multiple of  $q$ , and  $\beta = (\beta^{(1)} \dots \beta^{(m)})$ . The group weights  $\gamma \in [0, \infty)^m$  and the parameter weights  $\xi \in [0, \infty)^{qp}$ .

**Usage**

```
prepare.args(data, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	a data object
<code>...</code>	additional parameters

**Value**

<code>block_dim</code>	a vector of length $m$ , containing the dimensions $d_J$ of the groups (i.e. the number of parameters in the groups)
<code>groupWeights</code>	a vector of length $m$ , containing the group weights
<code>parameterWeights</code>	a matrix of dimension $q \times p$ , containing the parameter weights
<code>alpha</code>	the $\alpha$ value
<code>data</code>	the data parsed to the loss module
<code>group_order</code>	original order of the columns of $\beta$ . Before sgl routines return $\beta$ will be reorganized according to this order.

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

**See Also**

prepare.args.sgldata

Other sgldata: [add\\_data.sgldata](#), [create.sgldata](#), [prepare.args.sgldata](#), [prepare\\_data](#), [rearrange.sgldata](#), [subsample.sgldata](#)

prepare.args.sgldata *Prepare sgl function arguments*

**Description**

Prepare sgl function arguments using sgldata.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'sgldata'
prepare.args(data, parameterGrouping = NULL,
             groupWeights = NULL, parameterWeights = NULL,
             parameterNames = NULL, alpha, test_data = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

data	a sgldata object
parameterGrouping	grouping of parameters, a vector of length $p$ . Each element of the vector specifying the group of the parameters in the corresponding column of $\beta$ .
groupWeights	the group weights, a vector of length $\text{length}(\text{unique}(\text{parameterGrouping}))$ (the number of groups).
parameterWeights	a matrix of size $q \times p$ , that is the same dimension as $\beta$ .
parameterNames	dim-names of parameters, if NULL $\text{dimnames}(\text{parameterWeights})$ will be used.
alpha	the $\alpha$ value 0 for group lasso, 1 for lasso, between 0 and 1 gives a sparse group lasso penalty.
test_data	optional test data to be prepared (a sgldata object)
...	not used

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

**See Also**

Other sgldata: [add\\_data.sgldata](#), [create.sgldata](#), [prepare.args](#), [prepare\\_data](#), [rearrange.sgldata](#), [subsample.sgldata](#)

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prepare_data	<i>Prepare a sgldata data object</i>
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**Description**

Creates a sgldata data object from a matrix or vector

**Usage**

```
prepare_data(x, default = NULL, type = "numeric", sparse = is(x,
"sparseMatrix"))
```

**Arguments**

x	the matrix,
default	default value, returned if x is null
type	data type, 'numeric' or 'integer'
sparse	if TRUE y will be treated as sparse, if FALSE y will be treated as dens.

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

**See Also**

Other sgldata: [add\\_data.sgldata](#), [create.sgldata](#), [prepare.args.sgldata](#), [prepare.args](#), [rearrange.sgldata](#), [subsample.sgldata](#)

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print_with_metric_prefix	<i>Print a numeric with metric prefix</i>
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**Description**

Print a numeric with metric prefix

**Usage**

```
print_with_metric_prefix(x, digits = 3)
```

**Arguments**

x	numeric to be printed
digits	number of significant digits

**Value**

a string

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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rearrange	<i>Generic rearrange function</i>
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**Description**

Rearrange the order of the covariates in the data object.

**Usage**

```
rearrange(data, covariate.order, ...)
```

**Arguments**

data	a data object
covariate.order	the new order of the covariates
...	additional parameters

**Value**

a rearranged data object of same class as data

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

**See Also**

rearrange.sgldata

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rearrange.sgldata      *Rearrange sgldata*

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### Description

Rearrange the order of the covariates in a sgldata object.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'sgldata'  
rearrange(data, covariate.order, ...)
```

### Arguments

data	a sgldata object
covariate.order	the new order of the covariates
...	not used

### Value

a sgldata object with the covariates reordered

### Author(s)

Martin Vincent

### See Also

Other sgldata: [add\\_data.sgldata](#), [create.sgldata](#), [prepare.args.sgldata](#), [prepare.args](#), [prepare\\_data](#), [subsample.sgldata](#)

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sgl.algorithm.config      *Create a new algorithm configuration*

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### Description

With the exception of verbose it is not recommended to change any of the default values.

**Usage**

```
sgl.algorithm.config(tolerance_penalized_main_equation_loop = 1e-10,
  tolerance_penalized_inner_loop_alpha = 1e-04,
  tolerance_penalized_inner_loop_beta = 1,
  tolerance_penalized_middel_loop_alpha = 0.01,
  tolerance_penalized_outer_loop_alpha = 0.01,
  tolerance_penalized_outer_loop_beta = 0,
  tolerance_penalized_outer_loop_gamma = 1e-05,
  use_bound_optimization = TRUE,
  use_stepsize_optimization_in_penalized_loop = TRUE,
  stepsize_opt_penalized_initial_t = 1, stepsize_opt_penalized_a = 0.1,
  stepsize_opt_penalized_b = 0.1, max_iterations_outer = 10000,
  inner_loop_convergence_limit = 10000, verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

tolerance_penalized_main_equation_loop	tolerance threshold.
tolerance_penalized_inner_loop_alpha	tolerance threshold.
tolerance_penalized_inner_loop_beta	tolerance threshold.
tolerance_penalized_middel_loop_alpha	tolerance threshold.
tolerance_penalized_outer_loop_alpha	tolerance threshold.
tolerance_penalized_outer_loop_beta	tolerance threshold.
tolerance_penalized_outer_loop_gamma	tolerance threshold.
use_bound_optimization	if TRUE hessian bound check will be used.
use_stepsize_optimization_in_penalized_loop	if TRUE step-size optimization will be used.
stepsize_opt_penalized_initial_t	initial step-size.
stepsize_opt_penalized_a	step-size optimization parameter.
stepsize_opt_penalized_b	step-size optimization parameter.
max_iterations_outer	max iteration of outer loop
inner_loop_convergence_limit	inner loop convergence limit.
verbose	If TRUE some information, regarding the status of the algorithm, will be printed in the R terminal.

**Value**

A configuration.

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

**Examples**

```
config.no_progressbar <- sgl.algorithm.config(verbose = FALSE)
```

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sgl.c.config                    *Fetch information about the C side configuration of the package*

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**Description**

Fetch information about the C side configuration of the package

**Usage**

```
sgl.c.config()
```

**Value**

list

**Author(s)**

Martin Vicnet

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sgl.standard.config            *Standard algorithm configuration*

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**Description**

```
sgl.standard.config <- sgl.algorithm.config()
```

**Usage**

```
sgl.standard.config
```

**Format**

An object of class list of length 15.

**Author(s)**

Martin Vicnet

sglOptim

*sglOptim: Generic Sparse Group Lasso Solver***Description**

Fast generic solver for sparse group lasso optimization problems. The loss (objective) function must be defined in a C++ module. The optimization problem is solved using a coordinate gradient descent algorithm. Convergence of the algorithm is established (see reference) and the algorithm is applicable to a broad class of loss functions. Use of parallel computing for cross validation and subsampling is supported through the 'foreach' and 'doParallel' packages. Development version is on GitHub, please report package issues on GitHub.

**Details**

Computes a sequence of minimizers (one for each lambda given in the lambda argument) of

$$\text{loss}(\beta) + \lambda \left( (1 - \alpha) \sum_{J=1}^m \gamma_J \|\beta^{(J)}\|_2 + \alpha \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i |\beta_i| \right)$$

where loss is the loss/objective function specified by module\_name. The parameters are organized in the parameter matrix  $\beta$  with dimension  $q \times p$ . The vector  $\beta^{(J)}$  denotes the  $J$  parameter group. The group weights  $\gamma \in [0, \infty)^m$  and the parameter weights  $\xi = (\xi^{(1)}, \dots, \xi^{(m)}) \in [0, \infty)^n$  with  $\xi^{(1)} \in [0, \infty)^{n_1}, \dots, \xi^{(m)} \in [0, \infty)^{n_m}$ .

The package includes generic functions for:

- Fitting models using sparse group lasso, that is computing the minimizers of the above equation.
- Cross validation using parallel computing.
- Generic subsampling using parallel computing.
- Applying the fitted models on new data and predicting responses.
- Computing lambda sequences.
- Navigating the models and computing error rates.

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent



sgl\_cv

*Generic sparse group lasso cross validation using multiple possessors***Description**

Generic sparse group lasso cross validation using multiple possessors

**Usage**

```
sgl_cv(module_name, PACKAGE, data, parameterGrouping = NULL,
       groupWeights = NULL, parameterWeights = NULL, alpha, lambda,
       d = 100, compute_lambda = length(lambda) == 1, fold = 2,
       sampleGroups = NULL, cv.indices = list(), responses = NULL,
       max.threads = NULL, use_parallel = FALSE,
       algorithm.config = sgl.standard.config)
```

**Arguments**

module_name	reference to objective specific C++ routines.
PACKAGE	name of the calling package.
data	a list of data objects – will be parsed to the specified module.
parameterGrouping	grouping of parameters, a vector of length $p$ . Each element of the vector specifying the group of the parameters in the corresponding column of $\beta$ .
groupWeights	the group weights, a vector of length $\text{length}(\text{unique}(\text{parameterGrouping}))$ (the number of groups).
parameterWeights	a matrix of size $q \times p$ .
alpha	the $\alpha$ value 0 for group lasso, 1 for lasso, between 0 and 1 gives a sparse group lasso penalty.
lambda	lambda.min relative to lambda.max (if <code>compute_lambda = TRUE</code> ) or the lambda sequence for the regularization path, a vector or a list of vectors (of the same length) with the lambda sequence for the subsamples.
d	length of lambda sequence (ignored if <code>compute_lambda = FALSE</code> )
compute_lambda	should the lambda sequence be computed
fold	the fold of the cross validation, an integer larger than 1 and less than $N + 1$ . Ignored if <code>cv.indices != NULL</code> . If <code>fold ≤ max(table(classes))</code> then the data will be split into <code>fold</code> disjoint subsets keeping the ration of classes approximately equal. Otherwise the data will be split into <code>fold</code> disjoint subsets without keeping the ration fixed.
sampleGroups	grouping of samples, the algorithm computing the <code>cv.indices</code> will try to equally divide the groups among the subsamples.
cv.indices	a list of indices of a cross validation splitting. If <code>cv.indices = NULL</code> then a random splitting will be generated using the <code>fold</code> argument.

responses	a vector of responses to simplify and return (if NULL (default) no formatting will be done)
max.threads	Deprecated (will be removed in 2018), instead use use_parallel = TRUE and registre parallel backend (see package 'doParallel'). The maximal number of threads to be used.
use_parallel	If TRUE the foreach loop will use %dopar%. The user must registre the parallel backend.
algorithm.config	the algorithm configuration to be used.

**Value**

Y.true	the response, that is the y object in data as created by create.sgldata.
responses	content will depend on the C++ response class
cv.indices	the cross validation splitting used
features	number of features used in the models
parameters	number of parameters used in the models
lambda	the lambda sequence used.

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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sgl\_fit

*Fit a Sparse Group Lasso Regularization Path.*


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**Description**

Computes a sequence of minimizers (one for each lambda given in the lambda argument) of

$$\text{loss}(\beta) + \lambda \left( (1 - \alpha) \sum_{J=1}^m \gamma_J \|\beta^{(J)}\|_2 + \alpha \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i |\beta_i| \right)$$

where loss is the loss/objective function specified by module\_name. The parameters are organized in the parameter matrix  $\beta$  with dimension  $q \times p$ . The vector  $\beta^{(J)}$  denotes the  $J$  parameter group. The group weights  $\gamma \in [0, \infty)^m$  and the parameter weights  $\xi = (\xi^{(1)}, \dots, \xi^{(m)}) \in [0, \infty)^n$  with  $\xi^{(1)} \in [0, \infty)^{n_1}, \dots, \xi^{(m)} \in [0, \infty)^{n_m}$ .

**Usage**

```
sgl_fit(module_name, PACKAGE, data, parameterGrouping = NULL,
        groupWeights = NULL, parameterWeights = NULL, alpha, lambda,
        d = 100, compute_lambda = length(lambda) == 1,
        return_indices = NULL, algorithm.config = sgl.standard.config)
```

**Arguments**

module_name	reference to objective specific C++ routines.
PACKAGE	name of the calling package.
data	a list of data objects – will be parsed to the specified module.
parameterGrouping	grouping of parameters, a vector of length $p$ . Each element of the vector specifying the group of the parameters in the corresponding column of $\beta$ .
groupWeights	the group weights, a vector of length $\text{length}(\text{unique}(\text{parameterGrouping}))$ (the number of groups).
parameterWeights	a matrix of size $q \times p$ .
alpha	the $\alpha$ value 0 for group lasso, 1 for lasso, between 0 and 1 gives a sparse group lasso penalty.
lambda	lambda.min relative to lambda.max (if <code>compute_lambda = TRUE</code> ) or the lambda sequence for the regularization path, a vector or a list of vectors (of the same length) with the lambda sequence for the subsamples.
d	length of lambda sequence (ignored if <code>compute_lambda = FALSE</code> )
compute_lambda	should the lambda sequence be computed
return_indices	the indices of lambda values for which to return fitted parameters.
algorithm.config	the algorithm configuration to be used.

**Value**

Y.true	the response, that is the y object in data as created by <code>create.sgldata</code> .
beta	the fitted parameters – a list of length $\text{length}(\text{return})$ with each entry a matrix of size $q \times (p + 1)$ holding the fitted parameters.
loss	the values of the loss function.
objective	the values of the objective function (i.e. loss + penalty).
lambda	the lambda values used.

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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sgl\_lambda\_sequence     *Computing a Lambda Sequence*


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### Description

Computes a decreasing lambda sequence of length  $d$ . The sequence ranges from a data determined maximal lambda  $\lambda_{\max}$  to the user supplied lambda.min.

### Usage

```
sgl_lambda_sequence(module_name, PACKAGE, data, parameterGrouping = NULL,
  groupWeights = NULL, parameterWeights = NULL, alpha, d = 100,
  lambda.min, algorithm.config = sgl.standard.config,
  lambda.min.rel = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

module_name	reference to objective specific C++ routines.
PACKAGE	name of the calling package.
data	list of data objects – will be parsed to the specified module.
parameterGrouping	grouping of parameters, a vector of length $p$ . Each element of the vector specifying the group of the parameters in the corresponding column of $\beta$ .
groupWeights	group weights, a vector of length $\text{length}(\text{unique}(\text{parameterGrouping}))$ (the number of groups).
parameterWeights	parameters weights, a matrix of size $q \times p$ .
alpha	the $\alpha$ value, 0 for group lasso, 1 for lasso, between 0 and 1 gives a sparse group lasso penalty.
d	the length of the lambda sequence.
lambda.min	the smallest lambda value in the computed sequence.
algorithm.config	the algorithm configuration.
lambda.min.rel	is lambda.min relative to lambda.max ? (i.e. actual lambda min used is $\text{lambda.min} * \text{lambda.max}$ , with $\text{lambda.max}$ the computed maximal lambda value)

### Value

a vector of length  $d$  containing the compute lambda sequence.

### Author(s)

Martin Vincent

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sgl_predict	<i>Predict</i>
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### Description

Predict and return responses as defined in the module.

### Usage

```
sgl_predict(module_name, PACKAGE, object, data, responses = NULL,
            auto_response_names = TRUE, ...)
```

### Arguments

module_name	reference to objective specific C++ routines.
PACKAGE	name of the calling package.
object	a sgl object containing a list of estimated models.
data	a list of data objects – will be parsed to the specified module.
responses	a vector of responses to simplify and return (if NULL (default) no formatting will be done)
auto_response_names	set response names
...	not used.

### Details

If no formatting is done (i.e. if responses = NULL) then the responses field contains a list of lists structured in the following way:

- sample 1
  - model (lambda) index 1
    - \* response elements
  - model (lambda) index 2
    - \* response elements
  - ...
- sample 2
  - model (lambda) index 1
    - \* response elements
  - model (lambda) index 2
    - \* response elements
  - ...
- ...

If `responses = "rname"` with `rname` the name of the response then a list at `responses$rname` will be returned. The content of the list will depend on the type of the response.

- *scalar*: a matrix of size  $n \times d$  with the responses (where  $n$  is the number of samples and  $d$  the length of the lambda sequence).
- *vector*: a list of length  $d$  with each element a matrix of dimension  $n \times q$  containing the responses for the corresponding model (where  $q$  is the dimension of the response).
- *matrix*: a list with format `samples -> models -> the response matrix`.

### Value

<code>responses</code>	list of lists structured as described in details. Content of the response elements will depend on the C++ response class
<code>lambda</code>	the lambda sequence used.

### Author(s)

Martin Vincent

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<code>sgl_print</code>	<i>Print information about sgl object</i>
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### Description

Prints information about sgl object

### Usage

```
sgl_print(x)
```

### Arguments

<code>x</code>	a object of sgl family class
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### Author(s)

Martin Vincent

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sgl_subsampling	<i>Generic sparse group lasso subsampling procedure</i>
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## Description

Subsampling procedure with support parallel computations.

## Usage

```
sgl_subsampling(module_name, PACKAGE, data, parameterGrouping = NULL,
  groupWeights = NULL, parameterWeights = NULL, alpha, lambda,
  d = 100, compute_lambda = length(lambda) == 1, training = NULL,
  test = NULL, responses = NULL, auto_response_names = TRUE,
  collapse = FALSE, max.threads = NULL, use_parallel = FALSE,
  algorithm.config = sgl.standard.config)
```

## Arguments

module_name	reference to objective specific C++ routines.
PACKAGE	name of the calling package.
data	a list of data objects – will be parsed to the specified module.
parameterGrouping	grouping of parameters, a vector of length $p$ . Each element of the vector specifying the group of the parameters in the corresponding column of $\beta$ .
groupWeights	the group weights, a vector of length $\text{length}(\text{unique}(\text{parameterGrouping}))$ (the number of groups).
parameterWeights	a matrix of size $q \times p$ .
alpha	the $\alpha$ value 0 for group lasso, 1 for lasso, between 0 and 1 gives a sparse group lasso penalty.
lambda	lambda.min relative to lambda.max (if <code>compute_lambda = TRUE</code> ) or the lambda sequence for the regularization path, a vector or a list of vectors (of the same length) with the lambda sequence for the subsamples.
d	length of lambda sequence (ignored if <code>compute_lambda = FALSE</code> )
compute_lambda	should the lambda sequence be computed
training	a list of training samples, each item of the list corresponding to a subsample. Each item in the list must be a vector with the indices of the training samples for the corresponding subsample. The length of the list must equal the length of the test list.
test	a list of test samples, each item of the list corresponding to a subsample. Each item in the list must be vector with the indices of the test samples for the corresponding subsample. The length of the list must equal the length of the training list.

responses	a vector of responses to simplify and return (if NULL (default) no formatting will be done)
auto_response_names	set response names
collapse	if TRUE the results will be collapsed and ordered into one result, resembling the output of <code>sgl_predict</code> (this is only valid if the test samples are not overlapping)
max.threads	Deprecated (will be removed in 2018), instead use <code>use_parallel = TRUE</code> and register parallel backend (see package 'doParallel'). The maximal number of threads to be used.
use_parallel	If TRUE the foreach loop will use <code>%dopar%</code> . The user must register the parallel backend.
algorithm.config	the algorithm configuration to be used.

## Details

If no formatting is done (i.e. if `responses = NULL`) then the `responses` field contains a list of lists structured in the following way:

subsamples 1:

- `sample test[[1]][1]`
  - model (lambda) index 1
    - \* response elements
  - model (lambda) index 2
    - \* response elements
  - ...
- `sample test[[1]][2]`
  - model (lambda) index 1
    - \* response elements
  - model (lambda) index 2
    - \* response elements
  - ...
- ...

subsamples 2: ...

If `responses = "rname"` with `rname` the name of the response then a list at `responses$rname` will be returned. The content of the list will depend on the type of the response.

- vector A list with format `subsamples -> models -> matrix` of dimension  $n_i \times q$  containing the responses for the corresponding model and subsample (where  $q$  is the dimension of the response).
- matrix A list with format `subsamples -> samples -> models -> the response matrix`.



**Value**

Y.true	the response, that is the y object in data as created by create.sgldata.
responses	content will depend on the C++ response class
features	number of features used in the models
parameters	number of parameters used in the models
lambda	the lambda sequences used (a vector or list of length length(training)).

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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sgl\_test                      *Test a sgl-Objective*

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**Description**

This function will run tests on the gradient and hessian functions implemented in a C++ objective module. Detected problems will be printed to the console.'

**Usage**

```
sgl_test(module_name, PACKAGE, data, parameterGrouping, groupWeights,
         parameterWeights, algorithm.config = sgl.standard.config)
```

**Arguments**

module_name	reference to objective specific C++ routines.
PACKAGE	name of the calling package.
data	a list of data objects – will be parsed to the specified module.
parameterGrouping	grouping of parameters, a vector of length $p$ . Each element of the vector specifying the group of the parameters in the corresponding column of $\beta$ .
groupWeights	the group weights, a vector of length length(unique(parameterGrouping)) (the number of groups).
parameterWeights	a matrix of size $q \times p$ .
algorithm.config	the algorithm configuration to be used.

**Value**

The number of found problems

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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sparseMatrix\_from\_C\_format

*Convert to sparse matrix*

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**Description**

Convert sparse matrix returned from .Call to sparseMatrix.

**Usage**

sparseMatrix\_from\_C\_format(x)

**Arguments**

x                    .Call returned list

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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sparseMatrix\_to\_C\_format

*Prepare sparse matrix for .Call*

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**Description**

Prepare sparse matrix for .Call

**Usage**

sparseMatrix\_to\_C\_format(x)

**Arguments**

x                    a sparse matrix

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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subsample	<i>Subsample</i>
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**Description**

Pick out a subsample of an object

**Usage**

```
subsample(data, indices, ...)
```

**Arguments**

data	a data object
indices	a vector of indices to pick out
...	not used

**Value**

a data object of the same class as data

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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subsample.sgldata	<i>Subsample sgldata</i>
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**Description**

Pick out a subsample of a sgldata object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'sgldata'  
subsample(data, indices, ...)
```

**Arguments**

data	a sgldata object
indices	a vector of indices to pick out
...	not used

**Value**

a sgldata

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

**See Also**

Other sgldata: [add\\_data.sgldata](#), [create.sgldata](#), [prepare.args.sgldata](#), [prepare.args](#), [prepare\\_data](#), [rearrange.sgldata](#)

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test.data	<i>Simulated data set</i>
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**Description**

This data set is for testing only.

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test_rtools	<i>Test internal rtools</i>
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**Description**

This function runs some internal tests and is not intended for users of the package.

**Usage**

```
test_rtools()
```

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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transpose_response_elements	<i>Transpose response elements</i>
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**Description**

Transpose response elements in a response list and sub lists

**Usage**

```
transpose_response_elements(x)
```

**Arguments**

x	response list or matrix
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**Value**

response list with all matrices transposed

**Author(s)**

Martin Vincent

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