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psychometrics-package *Structural Equation Modeling and Confirmatory Network Analysis*

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This package can be used to perform Structural Equation Modeling and confirmatory network modeling. Current implemented families of models are (1) the variance-covariance matrix (`varcov`), (2) the latent variable model (`lvm`), (3) the lag-1 vector autoregression model (`var1`), and (4) the dynamical lag-1 latent variable model for panel data (`d1vm1`) and for time-series data (`tsdlvm1`).

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### References

More information: [psychonetrics.org](http://psychonetrics.org)

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bifactor	<i>Bi-factor models</i>
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### Description

Wrapper to `lvm` to specify a bi-factor model.

### Usage

```
bifactor(data, lambda, latents, bifactor = "g", ...)
```

### Arguments

data	The data as used by <code>lvm</code>
lambda	The factor loadings matrix <i>without</i> the bifactor, as used by <code>lvm</code>
latents	A vector of names of the latent variables, as used by <code>lvm</code>
bifactor	Name of the bifactor
...	Arguments sent to <code>lvm</code>

**Value**

An object of the class psychometrics ([psychometrics-class](#))

**Author(s)**

Sacha Epskamp

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bootstrap

*Bootstrap a psychometrics model*

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**Description**

This function will bootstrap the data (once) and return a new unevaluated psychometrics object. It requires `storedata = TRUE` to be used when forming a model.

**Usage**

```
bootstrap(x, replacement = TRUE, proportion = 1, verbose = TRUE, storedata = FALSE,  
         baseline_saturated = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

x	A psychometrics model.
replacement	Logical, should new samples be drawn with replacement?
proportion	Proportion of sample to be drawn. Set to lower than 1 for subsampling.
verbose	Logical, should messages be printed?
storedata	Logical, should the bootstrapped data also be stored?
baseline_saturated	Logical, should the baseline and saturated models be included?

**Value**

An object of the class psychometrics ([psychometrics-class](#))

**Author(s)**

Sacha Epskamp

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`changedata`*Change the data of a psychonetrics object*

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**Description**

This function can be used to change the data in a psychonetrics object.

**Usage**

```
changedata(x, data, covs, nobs, means, groups, missing = "listwise")
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	A psychonetrics model.
<code>data</code>	A data frame encoding the data used in the analysis. Can be missing if covs and nobs are supplied.
<code>covs</code>	A sample variance–covariance matrix, or a list/array of such matrices for multiple groups. <b>IMPORTANT NOTE:</b> psychonetrics expects the maximum likelihood (ML) covariance matrix, which is NOT obtained from <code>cov</code> directly. Manually rescale the result of <code>cov</code> with $(nobs - 1)/nobs$ to obtain the ML covariance matrix.
<code>nobs</code>	The number of observations used in covs and means, or a vector of such numbers of observations for multiple groups.
<code>means</code>	A vector of sample means, or a list/matrix containing such vectors for multiple groups.
<code>groups</code>	An optional string indicating the name of the group variable in data.
<code>missing</code>	How should missingness be handled in computing the sample covariances and number of observations when data is used. Can be "listwise" for listwise deletion, or "pairwise" for pairwise deletion.

**Value**

An object of the class psychonetrics ([psychonetrics-class](#))

**Author(s)**

Sacha Epskamp

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compare	<i>Model comparison</i>
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**Description**

This function will print a table comparing multiple models on chi-square, AIC and BIC.

**Usage**

```
compare(...)
```

**Arguments**

... Any number of psychometrics models. Can be named to change the rownames of the output.

**Value**

A data frame with chi-square values, degrees of freedoms, RMSEAs, AICs, and BICs.

**Author(s)**

Sacha Epskamp

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covML	<i>Maximum likelihood covariance estimate</i>
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**Description**

These functions complement the base R cov function by simplifying obtaining maximum likelihood (ML) covariance estimates (denominator n) instead of unbiased (UB) covariance estimates (denominator n-1). The function covML can be used to obtain ML estimates, the function covUBtoML transforms from UB to ML estimates, and the function covMLtoUB transforms from UB to ML estimates.

**Usage**

```
covML(x, ...)
covUBtoML(x, n, ...)
covMLtoUB(x, n, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x A dataset  
n The sample size  
... Arguments sent to the cov function.

**Author(s)**

Sacha Epskamp <mail@sachaepskamp.com>

**Examples**

```
data("StarWars")
Y <- StarWars[,1:10]

# Unbiased estimate:
UB <- cov(Y)

# ML Estimate:
ML <- covML(Y)

# Check:
all(abs(UB - covMLtoUB(ML, nrow(Y))) < sqrt(.Machine$double.eps))
all(abs(ML - covUBtoML(UB, nrow(Y))) < sqrt(.Machine$double.eps))
```

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dlvm1	<i>Lag-1 dynamic latent variable model family of psychometrics models for panel data</i>
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**Description**

This is the family of models that models a dynamic factor model on panel data. There are four covariance structures that can be modeled in different ways: `within_latent`, `between_latent` for the within-person and between-person latent (contemporaneous) models respectively, and `within_residual`, `between_residual` for the within-person and between-person residual models respectively. The `panelgvar` wrapper function sets the `lambda` to an identity matrix, all residual variances to zero, and models within-person and between-person latent (contemporaneous) models as GGMs. The `panelvar` wrapper does the same but models contemporaneous relations as a variance-covariance matrix. Finally, the `panel_lvlgvar` wrapper automatically models all latent networks as GGMs.

**Usage**

```
dlvm1(data, vars, lambda, within_latent = c("cov", "chol",
      "prec", "ggm"), within_residual = c("cov", "chol",
      "prec", "ggm"), between_latent = c("cov", "chol",
      "prec", "ggm"), between_residual = c("cov", "chol",
      "prec", "ggm"), beta = "full", omega_zeta_within =
      "full", delta_zeta_within = "full", kappa_zeta_within
      = "full", sigma_zeta_within = "full",
      lowertri_zeta_within = "full", omega_epsilon_within =
      "empty", delta_epsilon_within = "empty",
      kappa_epsilon_within = "empty", sigma_epsilon_within =
      "empty", lowertri_epsilon_within = "empty",
      omega_zeta_between = "full", delta_zeta_between =
      "full", kappa_zeta_between = "full",
```



```

sigma_zeta_between = "full", lowertri_zeta_between =
"full", omega_epsilon_between = "empty",
delta_epsilon_between = "empty", kappa_epsilon_between
= "empty", sigma_epsilon_between = "empty",
lowertri_epsilon_between = "empty", nu, mu_eta,
identify = TRUE, identification = c("loadings",
"variance"), latents, groups, covs, means, nobs,
covtype = c("choose", "ML", "UB"), missing =
"listwise", equal = "none", baseline_saturated = TRUE,
estimator = "ML", optimizer = "default", storedata =
FALSE, sampleStats)

```

```
panelgvar(data, vars, ...)
```

```
panelvar(data, vars, ...)
```

```
panel_lvlgvar(...)
```

## Arguments

<code>data</code>	A data frame encoding the data used in the analysis. Can be missing if covs and nobs are supplied.
<code>vars</code>	Required argument. Different from in other psychometrics models, this must be a <i>*matrix*</i> with each row indicating a variable and each column indicating a measurement. The matrix must be filled with names of the variables in the dataset corresponding to variable <i>i</i> at wave <i>j</i> . NAs can be used to indicate missing waves. The rownames of this matrix will be used as variable names.
<code>lambda</code>	Required argument. A model matrix encoding the factor loading structure. Each row indicates an indicator and each column a latent. A 0 encodes a fixed to zero element, a 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
<code>within_latent</code>	The type of within-person latent contemporaneous model to be used.
<code>within_residual</code>	The type of within-person residual model to be used.
<code>between_latent</code>	The type of between-person latent model to be used.
<code>between_residual</code>	The type of between-person residual model to be used.
<code>beta</code>	A model matrix encoding the temporal relationships (transpose of temporal network). A 0 encodes a fixed to zero element, a 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix. Can also be "full" for a full temporal network or "empty" for an empty temporal network.
<code>omega_zeta_within</code>	Only used when <code>within_latent = "ggm"</code> . Can be "full", "empty", or a typical model matrix with 0s indicating parameters constrained to zero, 1s indicating

free parameters, and higher integers indicating equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.

`delta_zeta_within`

Only used when `within_latent = "ggm"`. Can be "full", "empty", or a typical model matrix with 0s indicating parameters constrained to zero, 1s indicating free parameters, and higher integers indicating equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.

`kappa_zeta_within`

Only used when `within_latent = "prec"`. Can be "full", "empty", or a typical model matrix with 0s indicating parameters constrained to zero, 1s indicating free parameters, and higher integers indicating equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.

`sigma_zeta_within`

Only used when `within_latent = "cov"`. Can be "full", "empty", or a typical model matrix with 0s indicating parameters constrained to zero, 1s indicating free parameters, and higher integers indicating equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.

`lowertri_zeta_within`

Only used when `within_latent = "chol"`. Can be "full", "empty", or a typical model matrix with 0s indicating parameters constrained to zero, 1s indicating free parameters, and higher integers indicating equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.

`omega_epsilon_within`

Only used when `within_residual = "ggm"`. Can be "full", "empty", or a typical model matrix with 0s indicating parameters constrained to zero, 1s indicating free parameters, and higher integers indicating equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.

`delta_epsilon_within`

Only used when `within_residual = "ggm"`. Can be "full", "empty", or a typical model matrix with 0s indicating parameters constrained to zero, 1s indicating free parameters, and higher integers indicating equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.

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Only used when `within_residual = "prec"`. Can be "full", "empty", or a typical model matrix with 0s indicating parameters constrained to zero, 1s indicating free parameters, and higher integers indicating equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.

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Only used when `within_residual = "cov"`. Can be "full", "empty", or a typical model matrix with 0s indicating parameters constrained to zero, 1s indicating free parameters, and higher integers indicating equality constrains. For

multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.

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Only used when `within_residual = "chol"`. Can be "full", "empty", or a typical model matrix with 0s indicating parameters constrained to zero, 1s indicating free parameters, and higher integers indicating equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.

`omega_zeta_between`

Only used when `between_latent = "ggm"`. Can be "full", "empty", or a typical model matrix with 0s indicating parameters constrained to zero, 1s indicating free parameters, and higher integers indicating equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.

`delta_zeta_between`

Only used when `between_latent = "ggm"`. Can be "full", "empty", or a typical model matrix with 0s indicating parameters constrained to zero, 1s indicating free parameters, and higher integers indicating equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.

`kappa_zeta_between`

Only used when `between_latent = "prec"`. Can be "full", "empty", or a typical model matrix with 0s indicating parameters constrained to zero, 1s indicating free parameters, and higher integers indicating equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.

`sigma_zeta_between`

Only used when `between_latent = "cov"`. Can be "full", "empty", or a typical model matrix with 0s indicating parameters constrained to zero, 1s indicating free parameters, and higher integers indicating equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.

`lowertri_zeta_between`

Only used when `between_latent = "chol"`. Can be "full", "empty", or a typical model matrix with 0s indicating parameters constrained to zero, 1s indicating free parameters, and higher integers indicating equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.

`omega_epsilon_between`

Only used when `between_residual = "ggm"`. Can be "full", "empty", or a typical model matrix with 0s indicating parameters constrained to zero, 1s indicating free parameters, and higher integers indicating equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.

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Only used when `between_residual = "ggm"`. Can be "full", "empty", or a typical model matrix with 0s indicating parameters constrained to zero, 1s indicating free parameters, and higher integers indicating equality constrains. For

	multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
<code>kappa_epsilon_between</code>	Only used when <code>between_residual = "prec"</code> . Can be "full", "empty", or a typical model matrix with 0s indicating parameters constrained to zero, 1s indicating free parameters, and higher integers indicating equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
<code>sigma_epsilon_between</code>	Only used when <code>between_residual = "cov"</code> . Can be "full", "empty", or a typical model matrix with 0s indicating parameters constrained to zero, 1s indicating free parameters, and higher integers indicating equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
<code>lowertri_epsilon_between</code>	Only used when <code>between_residual = "chol"</code> . Can be "full", "empty", or a typical model matrix with 0s indicating parameters constrained to zero, 1s indicating free parameters, and higher integers indicating equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
<code>nu</code>	Optional vector encoding the intercepts of the observed variables. Set elements to 0 to indicate fixed to zero constrains, 1 to indicate free intercepts, and higher integers to indicate equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/column encoding such a vector.
<code>mu_eta</code>	Optional vector encoding the means of the latent variables. Set elements to 0 to indicate fixed to zero constrains, 1 to indicate free intercepts, and higher integers to indicate equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/column encoding such a vector.
<code>identify</code>	Logical, should the model be automatically identified?
<code>identification</code>	Type of identification used. "loadings" to fix the first factor loadings to 1, and "variance" to fix the diagonal of the latent variable model matrix ( <code>sigma_zeta</code> , <code>lowertri_zeta</code> , <code>delta_zeta</code> or <code>kappa_zeta</code> ) to 1.
<code>latents</code>	An optional character vector with names of the latent variables.
<code>groups</code>	An optional string indicating the name of the group variable in data.
<code>covs</code>	A sample variance–covariance matrix, or a list/array of such matrices for multiple groups. <b>IMPORTANT NOTE:</b> psychometrics expects the maximum likelihood (ML) covariance matrix, which is NOT obtained from <code>cov</code> directly. Manually rescale the result of <code>cov</code> with $(nobs - 1)/nobs$ to obtain the ML covariance matrix.
<code>means</code>	A vector of sample means, or a list/matrix containing such vectors for multiple groups.
<code>nobs</code>	The number of observations used in <code>covs</code> and <code>means</code> , or a vector of such numbers of observations for multiple groups.
<code>missing</code>	How should missingness be handled in computing the sample covariances and number of observations when data is used. Can be "listwise" for listwise deletion, or "pairwise" for pairwise deletion.

equal	A character vector indicating which matrices should be constrained equal across groups.
baseline_saturated	A logical indicating if the baseline and saturated model should be included. Mostly used internally and NOT Recommended to be used manually.
estimator	The estimator to be used. Currently implemented are "ML" for maximum likelihood estimation, "FIML" for full-information maximum likelihood estimation, "ULS" for unweighted least squares estimation, "WLS" for weighted least squares estimation, and "DWLS" for diagonally weighted least squares estimation.
optimizer	The optimizer to be used. Usually either "nlminb" (with box constrains) or "ucminf" (ignoring box constrains), but any optimizer supported by optimr can be used.
storedata	Logical, should the raw data be stored? Needed for bootstrapping (see <a href="#">bootstrap</a> ).
sampleStats	An optional sample statistics object. Mostly used internally.
covtype	If 'covs' is used, this is the type of covariance (maximum likelihood or unbiased) the input covariance matrix represents. Set to "ML" for maximum likelihood estimates (denominator n) and "UB" to unbiased estimates (denominator n-1). The default will try to find the type used, by investigating which is most likely to result from integer valued datasets.
...	Arguments sent to d1vm1.

### Value

An object of the class psychometrics ([psychometrics-class](#))

### Author(s)

Sacha Epskamp

### Examples

```
library("dplyr")

# Smoke data cov matrix, based on LISS data panel https://www.dataarchive.lisssdata.nl
smoke <- structure(c(47.2361758611759, 43.5366809116809, 41.0057465682466,
                    43.5366809116809, 57.9789886039886, 47.6992521367521,
                    41.0057465682466,
                    47.6992521367521, 53.0669434731935), .Dim = c(3L, 3L),
                  .Dimnames = list(
                    c("smoke2008", "smoke2009", "smoke2010"), c("smoke2008",
                    "smoke2009", "smoke2010")))

# Design matrix:
design <- matrix(rownames(smoke),1,3)

# Form model:
mod <- panelvar(vars = design,
                covs = smoke, nobs = 352
                )
```

```
# Run model:
mod <- mod %>% runmodel

# Evaluate fit:
mod %>% fit
```

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duplicationMatrix      *Model matrices used in derivatives*

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### Description

These matrices are used in the analytic gradients

### Usage

```
duplicationMatrix(n, diag = TRUE)

eliminationMatrix(n, diag = TRUE)

diagonalizationMatrix(n)
```

### Arguments

n	Number of rows and columns in the original matrix
diag	Logical indicating if the diagonal should be included (set to FALSE for derivative of vech(x))

### Value

A sparse matrix

### Author(s)

Sacha Epskamp

### Examples

```
# Duplication matrix for 10 variables:
duplicationMatrix(10)

# Elimination matrix for 10 variables:
eliminationMatrix(10)

# Diagonalization matrix for 10 variables:
diagonalizationMatrix(10)
```

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fit	<i>Print fit indices</i>
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**Description**

This function will print all fit indices of the model/

**Usage**

```
fit(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                    A psychometrics model.

**Value**

Invisibly returns a data frame with fit measure estimates.

**Author(s)**

Sacha Epskamp

**Examples**

```
# Load bfi data from psych package:
library("psychTools")
data(bfi)

# Also load dplyr for the pipe operator:
library("dplyr")

# Let's take the agreeableness items, and gender:
ConsData <- bfi %>%
  select(A1:A5, gender) %>%
  na.omit # Let's remove missingness (otherwise use Estimator = "FIML")

# Define variables:
vars <- names(ConsData)[1:5]

# Let's fit an empty GGM:
mod0 <- ggm(ConsData, vars = vars, omega = "empty")

# Run model:
mod0 <- mod0 %>% runmodel

# Inspect fit:
mod0 %>% fit # Pretty bad fit...
```

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 fixpar

*Parameters modification*


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### Description

The `fixpar` function can be used to fix a parameter to some value (Typically zero), and the `freepar` function can be used to free a parameter from being fixed to a value.

### Usage

```
fixpar(x, matrix, row, col, value = 0, group, verbose = TRUE, log = TRUE,
       runmodel = FALSE, ...)
```

```
freepar(x, matrix, row, col, start, group, verbose = TRUE, log = TRUE,
        runmodel = FALSE, startEPC = TRUE, ...)
```

### Arguments

<code>x</code>	A psychometrics model.
<code>matrix</code>	String indicating the matrix of the parameter
<code>row</code>	Integer or string indicating the row of the matrix of the parameter
<code>col</code>	Integer or string indicating the column of the matrix of the parameter
<code>value</code>	Used in <code>fixpar</code> to indicate the value to which a parameters is constrained
<code>start</code>	Used in <code>freepar</code> to indicate the starting value of the parameter
<code>group</code>	Integer indicating the group of the parameter to be constrained
<code>verbose</code>	Logical, should messages be printed?
<code>log</code>	Logical, should the log be updated?
<code>runmodel</code>	Logical, should the model be updated?
<code>startEPC</code>	Logical, should the starting value be set at the expected parameter change?
<code>...</code>	Arguments sent to <code>runmodel</code>

### Value

An object of the class `psychometrics` ([psychometrics-class](#))

### Author(s)

Sacha Epskamp



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generate	<i>Generate data from a fitted psychometrics object</i>
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**Description**

This function will generate new data from the estimated mean and variance-covariance structure of a psychometrics model.

**Usage**

```
generate(x, n = 500)
```

**Arguments**

x	A psychometrics model.
n	Number of cases to sample per group.

**Value**

A data frame with simulated data

**Author(s)**

Sacha Epskamp

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getmatrix	<i>Extract an estimated matrix</i>
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**Description**

This function will extract an estimated matrix, and will either return a single matrix for single group models or a list of such matrices for multiple group models.

**Usage**

```
getmatrix(x, matrix, group)
```

**Arguments**

x	A psychometrics model.
matrix	String indicating the matrix to be extracted.
group	Integer indicating the group for the matrix to be extracted.

**Value**

A matrix of parameter estimates, of a list of such matrices for multiple group models.

**Author(s)**

Sacha Epskamp

**Examples**

```
# Load bfi data from psych package:
library("psychTools")
data(bfi)

# Also load dplyr for the pipe operator:
library("dplyr")

# Let's take the agreeableness items, and gender:
ConsData <- bfi %>%
  select(A1:A5, gender) %>%
  na.omit # Let's remove missingness (otherwise use Estimator = "FIML")

# Define variables:
vars <- names(ConsData)[1:5]

# Let's fit a full GGM:
mod <- ggm(ConsData, vars = vars, omega = "full")

# Run model:
mod <- mod %>% runmodel

# Obtain network:
mod %>% getmatrix("omega")
```

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getVCOV

*Obtain the asymptotic covariance matrix*

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**Description**

This function can be used to obtain the estimated asymptotic covariance matrix from a `psychometrics` object.

**Usage**

```
getVCOV(model)
```

**Arguments**

`model`            A `psychometrics` model.

**Value**

This function returns a matrix.

**Author(s)**

Sacha Epskamp

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`groupequal`*Group equality constrains*

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**Description**

The `groupequal` function constrains parameters equal across groups, and the `groupfree` function frees equality constrains across groups.

**Usage**

```
groupequal(x, matrix, row, col, verbose = TRUE, log = TRUE, runmodel = FALSE,
           identify = TRUE, ...)
```

```
groupfree(x, matrix, row, col, verbose = TRUE, log = TRUE, runmodel = FALSE,
           identify = TRUE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	A psychometrics model.
<code>matrix</code>	String indicating the matrix of the parameter
<code>row</code>	Integer or string indicating the row of the matrix of the parameter
<code>col</code>	Integer or string indicating the column of the matrix of the parameter
<code>verbose</code>	Logical, should messages be printed?
<code>log</code>	Logical, should the log be updated?
<code>runmodel</code>	Logical, should the model be updated?
<code>identify</code>	Logical, should the model be identified?
<code>...</code>	Arguments sent to <code>runmodel</code>

**Value**

An object of the class `psychometrics` ([psychometrics-class](#))

**Author(s)**

Sacha Epskamp

Ising

*Ising model***Description**

This is the family of Ising models fit to dichotomous datasets. Note that the input matters (see also <https://arxiv.org/abs/1811.02916>) in this model! Models based on a dataset that is encoded with -1 and 1 are not entirely equivalent to models based on datasets encoded with 0 and 1 (non-equivalences occur in multi-group settings with equality constrains).

**Usage**

```
Ising(data, omega = "full", tau, beta, vars, groups, covs, means, nobs,
      covtype = c("choose", "ML", "UB"), responses, missing = "listwise",
      equal = "none", baseline_saturated = TRUE, estimator = "default",
      optimizer = "default", storedata = FALSE, WLS.V, sampleStats,
      identify = TRUE, verbose = TRUE, maxNodes = 20)
```

**Arguments**

data	A data frame encoding the data used in the analysis. Can be missing if covs and nobs are supplied.
omega	The network structure. Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to set all elements to zero, or a matrix of the dimensions nNode x nNode with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
tau	Optional vector encoding the threshold/intercept structure. Set elements to 0 to indicate fixed to zero constrains, 1 to indicate free intercepts, and higher integers to indicate equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/column encoding such a vector.
beta	Optional scalar encoding the inverse temperature. 1 indicate free beta parameters, and higher integers to indicate equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/column encoding such scalars.
vars	An optional character vector encoding the variables used in the analysis. Must equal names of the dataset in data.
groups	An optional character vector encoding the variables used in the analysis. Must equal names of the dataset in data.
covs	A sample variance–covariance matrix, or a list/array of such matrices for multiple groups. Make sure covtype argument is set correctly to the type of covariances used.
means	A vector of sample means, or a list/matrix containing such vectors for multiple groups.

nobs	The number of observations used in covs and means, or a vector of such numbers of observations for multiple groups.
covtype	If 'covs' is used, this is the type of covariance (maximum likelihood or unbiased) the input covariance matrix represents. Set to "ML" for maximum likelihood estimates (denominator n) and "UB" to unbiased estimates (denominator n-1). The default will try to find the type used, by investigating which is most likely to result from integer valued datasets.
responses	A vector of dichotomous responses used (e.g., c(-1, 1) or c(0, 1). Only needed when 'covs' is used.)
missing	How should missingness be handled in computing the sample covariances and number of observations when data is used. Can be "listwise" for listwise deletion, or "pairwise" for pairwise deletion. NOT RECOMMENDED TO BE USED YET IN ISING MODEL.
equal	A character vector indicating which matrices should be constrained equal across groups.
baseline_saturated	A logical indicating if the baseline and saturated model should be included. Mostly used internally and NOT Recommended to be used manually.
estimator	The estimator to be used. Currently implemented are "ML" for maximum likelihood estimation, "FIML" for full-information maximum likelihood estimation, "ULS" for unweighted least squares estimation, "WLS" for weighted least squares estimation, and "DWLS" for diagonally weighted least squares estimation. Only ML estimation is currently supported for the Ising model.
optimizer	The optimizer to be used. Usually either "nlminb" (with box constrains) or "ucminf" (ignoring box constrains), but any optimizer supported by optimr can be used.
storedata	Logical, should the raw data be stored? Needed for bootstrapping (see bootstrap).
WLS.V	Optional WLS weights matrix. CURRENTLY NOT USED.
sampleStats	An optional sample statistics object. Mostly used internally.
identify	Logical, should the model be identified?
verbose	Logical, should messages be printed?
maxNodes	The maximum number of nodes allowed in the analysis. This function will stop with an error if more nodes are used (it is not recommended to set this higher).

### Details

The Ising Model takes the following form:

$$\Pr(\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{y}) = \frac{\exp(-\beta H(\mathbf{y}; \boldsymbol{\tau}, \boldsymbol{\Omega}))}{Z(\boldsymbol{\tau}, \boldsymbol{\Omega})}$$

With Hamiltonian:

$$H(\mathbf{y}; \boldsymbol{\tau}, \boldsymbol{\Omega}) = -\sum_{i=1}^m \tau_i y_i - \sum_{i=2}^m \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \omega_{ij} y_i y_j.$$

And Z representing the partition function or normalizing constant.

### Value

An object of the class psychonetrics

**Author(s)**

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**References**

Epskamp, S., Maris, G., Waldorp, L. J., & Borsboom, D. (2018). Network Psychometrics. In: Irwing, P., Hughes, D., & Booth, T. (Eds.), *The Wiley Handbook of Psychometric Testing, 2 Volume Set: A Multidisciplinary Reference on Survey, Scale and Test Development*. New York: Wiley.

**Examples**

```
library("dplyr")
data("Jonas")

# Variables to use:
vars <- names(Jonas)[1:10]

# Arranged groups to put unfamiliar group first (beta constrained to 1):
Jonas <- Jonas[order(Jonas$group),]

# Form saturated model:
model1 <- Ising(Jonas, vars = vars, groups = "group")

# Run model:
model1 <- model1 %>% runmodel

# Prune-stepup to find a sparse model:
model1b <- model1 %>% prune(alpha = 0.05) %>% stepup(alpha = 0.05)

# Equal networks:
model2 <- model1 %>% groupequal("omega") %>% runmodel

# Prune-stepup to find a sparse model:
model2b <- model2 %>% prune(alpha = 0.05) %>% stepup(mi = "mi_equal", alpha = 0.05)

# Equal thresholds:
model3 <- model2 %>% groupequal("tau") %>% runmodel

# Prune-stepup to find a sparse model:
model3b <- model3 %>% prune(alpha = 0.05) %>% stepup(mi = "mi_equal", alpha = 0.05)

# Equal beta:
model4 <- model3 %>% groupequal("beta") %>% runmodel

# Prune-stepup to find a sparse model:
model4b <- model4 %>% prune(alpha = 0.05) %>% stepup(mi = "mi_equal", alpha = 0.05)

# Compare all models:
compare(
  `1. all parameters free (dense)` = model1,
  `2. all parameters free (sparse)` = model1b,
```

```

`3. equal networks (dense)` = model2,
`4. equal networks (sparse)` = model2b,
`5. equal networks and thresholds (dense)` = model3,
`6. equal networks and thresholds (sparse)` = model3b,
`7. all parameters equal (dense)` = model4,
`8. all parameters equal (sparse)` = model4b
) %>% arrange(BIC)

```

Jonas

*Jonas dataset***Description**

Responses of 10 attitude items towards a researcher named Jonas. Participants were shown three photos of Jonas with the text: "This is Jonas, a researcher from Germany who is now becoming a PhD in Psychology". Subsequently, the participants had to answer 10 yes / no questions starting with "I believe that Jonas...", as well as rate their familiarity with Jonas. The sample consists of people familiar with Jonas and not familiar with Jonas, and allows for testing Attitudinal Entropy Framework <doi:10.1080/1047840X.2018.1537246>.

**Usage**

```
data("Jonas")
```

**Format**

A data frame with 215 observations on the following 12 variables.

scientist ... is a good scientist

jeans ... Is a person that wears beautiful jeans

cares ... really cares about people like you

economics ... would solve our economic problems

hardworking ... is hardworking

honest ... is honest

intouch ... is in touch with ordinary people

knowledgeable ... is knowledgeable

makeupmind ... can't make up his mind

getsthingsdone ... gets things done

familiar Answers to the question "How familiar are you with Jonas?" (three responses possible)

group The question 'familiar' categorized in two groups ("Knows Jonas" and "Doesn't Know Jonas")

**Examples**

```
data(Jonas)
```

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latentgrowth	<i>Latnet growth curve model</i>
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**Description**

Wrapper to lvm to specify a latent growth curve model.

**Usage**

```
latentgrowth(vars, time = seq_len(ncol(vars)) - 1, covariates = character(0), ...)
```

**Arguments**

vars	Different from in other psychonetrics models, this must be a <i>*matrix*</i> with each row indicating a variable and each column indicating a measurement. The matrix must be filled with names of the variables in the dataset corresponding to variable i at wave j. NAs can be used to indicate missing waves. The rownames of this matrix will be used as variable names.
time	A vector with the encoding of each measurement (e.g., 0, 1, 2, 3).
covariates	A vector with strings indicating names of between-person covariate variables in the data
...	Arguments sent to <a href="#">lvm</a>

**Details**

See [https://github.com/SachaEpskamp/SEM-code-examples/tree/master/Latent\\_growth\\_examples/psychonetrics](https://github.com/SachaEpskamp/SEM-code-examples/tree/master/Latent_growth_examples/psychonetrics) for examples

**Value**

An object of the class psychonetrics ([psychonetrics-class](#)). See for an example [https://github.com/SachaEpskamp/SEM-code-examples/tree/master/Latent\\_growth\\_examples/psychonetrics](https://github.com/SachaEpskamp/SEM-code-examples/tree/master/Latent_growth_examples/psychonetrics).

**Author(s)**

Sacha Epskamp

**Examples**

```
library("dplyr")

# Smoke data cov matrix, based on LISS data panel https://www.dataarchive.lissdata.nl
smoke <- structure(c(47.2361758611759, 43.5366809116809, 41.0057465682466,
                    43.5366809116809, 57.9789886039886, 47.6992521367521,
                    41.0057465682466,
                    47.6992521367521, 53.0669434731935), .Dim = c(3L, 3L),
                  .Dimnames = list(
                    c("smoke2008", "smoke2009", "smoke2010"), c("smoke2008",
```



```

"smoke2009", "smoke2010"))

# Design matrix:
design <- matrix(rownames(smoke),1,3)

# Form model:
mod <- latentgrowth(vars = design,
                    covs = smoke, nobs = 352
)

## Not run:
# Run model:
mod <- mod %>% runmodel

# Evaluate fit:
mod %>% fit

# Look at parameters:
mod %>% parameters

## End(Not run)

```

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Ivm

*Continuous latent variable family of psychometrics models*


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## Description

This is the family of models that models the data as a structural equation model (SEM), allowing the latent and residual variance-covariance matrices to be further modeled as networks. The latent and residual arguments can be used to define what latent and residual models are used respectively: "cov" (default) models a variance-covariance matrix directly, "chol" models a Cholesky decomposition, "prec" models a precision matrix, and "ggm" models a Gaussian graphical model (Epskamp, Rhemtulla and Borsboom, 2017). The wrapper `lnm()` sets latent = "ggm" for the latent network model (LNM), the wrapper `rnm()` sets residual = "ggm" for the residual network model (RNM), and the wrapper `lrnm()` combines the LNM and RNM.

## Usage

```

lvm(data, lambda, latent = c("cov", "chol", "prec",
                             "ggm"), residual = c("cov", "chol", "prec", "ggm"),
     sigma_zeta = "full", kappa_zeta = "full", omega_zeta =
     "full", lowertri_zeta = "full", delta_zeta = "full",
     sigma_epsilon = "empty", kappa_epsilon = "empty",
     omega_epsilon = "empty", lowertri_epsilon = "empty",
     delta_epsilon = "empty", beta = "empty", nu, nu_eta,
     identify = TRUE, identification = c("loadings",
     "variance"), vars, latents, groups, covs, means, nobs,
     missing = "listwise", equal = "none",
     baseline_saturated = TRUE, estimator = "ML", optimizer

```

```
= "default", storedata = FALSE, WLS.V, covtype =
c("choose", "ML", "UB"), sampleStats)
```

```
lnm(...)
rnm(...)
lrnm(...)
```

## Arguments

<code>data</code>	A data frame encoding the data used in the analysis. Can be missing if covs and nobs are supplied.
<code>lambda</code>	A model matrix encoding the factor loading structure. Each row indicates an indicator and each column a latent. A 0 encodes a fixed to zero element, a 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
<code>latent</code>	The type of latent model used. See description.
<code>residual</code>	The type of residual model used. See description.
<code>sigma_zeta</code>	Only used when <code>latent = "cov"</code> . Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to only include diagonal elements, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
<code>kappa_zeta</code>	Only used when <code>latent = "prec"</code> . Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to only include diagonal elements, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
<code>omega_zeta</code>	Only used when <code>latent = "ggm"</code> . Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to set all elements to zero, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
<code>lowertri_zeta</code>	Only used when <code>latent = "chol"</code> . Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to only include diagonal elements, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
<code>delta_zeta</code>	Only used when <code>latent = "ggm"</code> . Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to set all elements to zero, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups,

	this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
sigma_epsilon	Only used when residual = "cov". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to only include diagonal elements, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
kappa_epsilon	Only used when residual = "prec". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to only include diagonal elements, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
omega_epsilon	Only used when residual = "ggm". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to set all elements to zero, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
lowertri_epsilon	Only used when residual = "chol". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to only include diagonal elements, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
delta_epsilon	Only used when residual = "ggm". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to set all elements to zero, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
beta	A model matrix encoding the structural relations between latent variables. A 0 encodes a fixed to zero element, a 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
nu	Optional vector encoding the intercepts of the observed variables. Set elements to 0 to indicate fixed to zero constrains, 1 to indicate free intercepts, and higher integers to indicate equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/column encoding such a vector.
nu_eta	Optional vector encoding the intercepts of the latent variables. Set elements to 0 to indicate fixed to zero constrains, 1 to indicate free intercepts, and higher integers to indicate equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/column encoding such a vector.
identify	Logical, should the model be automatically identified?

identification	Type of identification used. "loadings" to fix the first factor loadings to 1, and "variance" to fix the diagonal of the latent variable model matrix (sigma_zeta, lowertri_zeta, delta_zeta or kappa_zeta) to 1.
vars	An optional character vector encoding the variables used in the analysis. Must equal names of the dataset in data.
latents	An optional character vector with names of the latent variables.
groups	An optional string indicating the name of the group variable in data.
covs	A sample variance-covariance matrix, or a list/array of such matrices for multiple groups. Make sure covtype argument is set correctly to the type of covariances used.
means	A vector of sample means, or a list/matrix containing such vectors for multiple groups.
nobs	The number of observations used in covs and means, or a vector of such numbers of observations for multiple groups.
missing	How should missingness be handled in computing the sample covariances and number of observations when data is used. Can be "listwise" for listwise deletion, or "pairwise" for pairwise deletion.
equal	A character vector indicating which matrices should be constrained equal across groups.
baseline_saturated	A logical indicating if the baseline and saturated model should be included. Mostly used internally and NOT Recommended to be used manually.
estimator	The estimator to be used. Currently implemented are "ML" for maximum likelihood estimation, "FIML" for full-information maximum likelihood estimation, "ULS" for unweighted least squares estimation, "WLS" for weighted least squares estimation, and "DWLS" for diagonally weighted least squares estimation.
optimizer	The optimizer to be used. Usually either "nlminb" (with box constrains) or "ucminf" (ignoring box constrains), but any optimizer supported by optimr can be used.
storedata	Logical, should the raw data be stored? Needed for bootstrapping (see <a href="#">bootstrap</a> ).
WLS.V	The weights matrix used in WLS estimation (experimental)
sampleStats	An optional sample statistics object. Mostly used internally.
covtype	If 'covs' is used, this is the type of covariance (maximum likelihood or unbiased) the input covariance matrix represents. Set to "ML" for maximum likelihood estimates (denominator n) and "UB" to unbiased estimates (denominator n-1). The default will try to find the type used, by investigating which is most likely to result from integer valued datasets.
...	Arguments sent to varcov

## Details

The model used in this family is:

$$\text{var}(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{\Lambda}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{B})^{-1}\mathbf{\Sigma}_{\zeta}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{B})^{-1\top}\mathbf{\Lambda}^{\top} + \mathbf{\Sigma}_{\varepsilon}$$

$$\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{y}) = \boldsymbol{\nu} + \boldsymbol{\Lambda}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{B})^{-1}\boldsymbol{\nu}_{eta}$$

in which the latent covariance matrix can further be modeled in three ways. With latent = "chol" as Cholesky decomposition:

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\zeta} = \mathbf{L}_{\zeta}\mathbf{L}_{\zeta},$$

with latent = "prec" as Precision matrix:

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\zeta} = \mathbf{K}_{\zeta}^{-1},$$

and finally with latent = "ggm" as Gaussian graphical model:

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\zeta} = \boldsymbol{\Delta}_{\zeta}(\mathbf{I} - \boldsymbol{\Omega}_{\zeta})^{-1}\boldsymbol{\Delta}_{\zeta}.$$

Likewise, the residual covariance matrix can also further be modeled in three ways. With residual = "chol" as Cholesky decomposition:

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\varepsilon} = \mathbf{L}_{\varepsilon}\mathbf{L}_{\varepsilon},$$

with latent = "prec" as Precision matrix:

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\varepsilon} = \mathbf{K}_{\varepsilon}^{-1},$$

and finally with latent = "ggm" as Gaussian graphical model:

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\varepsilon} = \boldsymbol{\Delta}_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{I} - \boldsymbol{\Omega}_{\varepsilon})^{-1}\boldsymbol{\Delta}_{\varepsilon}.$$

## Value

An object of the class psychometrics ([psychometrics-class](#))

## Author(s)

Sacha Epskamp

## References

Epskamp, S., Rhemtulla, M., & Borsboom, D. (2017). Generalized network psychometrics: Combining network and latent variable models. *Psychometrika*, 82(4), 904-927.

## Examples

```
library("dplyr")

### Confirmatory Factor Analysis ###

# Example also shown in https://youtu.be/Hdu5z-fwuk8

# Load data:
data(StarWars)

# Originals only:
Lambda <- matrix(1,4)

# Model:
mod0 <- lvm(StarWars, lambda = Lambda, vars = c("Q1", "Q5", "Q6", "Q7"),
            identification = "variance", latents = "Originals")
```

```
# Run model:
mod0 <- mod0 %>% runmodel

# Evaluate fit:
mod0 %>% fit

# Full analysis
# Factor loadings matrix:
Lambda <- matrix(0, 10, 3)
Lambda[1:4,1] <- 1
Lambda[c(1,5:7),2] <- 1
Lambda[c(1,8:10),3] <- 1

# Observed variables:
obsvars <- paste0("Q",1:10)

# Latents:
latents <- c("Prequels","Original","Sequels")

# Make model:
mod1 <- lvm(StarWars, lambda = Lambda, vars = obsvars,
           identification = "variance", latents = latents)

# Run model:
mod1 <- mod1 %>% runmodel

# Look at fit:
mod1

# Look at parameter estimates:
mod1 %>% parameters

# Look at modification indices:
mod1 %>% MIs

# Add and refit:
mod2 <- mod1 %>% freepar("sigma_epsilon","Q10","Q4") %>% runmodel

# Compare:
compare(original = mod1, adjusted = mod2)

# Fit measures:
mod2 %>% fit

### Path diagrams ###
# semPlot is not (yet) supported by default, but can be used as follows:
# Load packages:
library("semPlot")

# Estimates:
lambdaEst <- getmatrix(mod2, "lambda")
psiEst <- getmatrix(mod2, "sigma_zeta")
```

```
thetaEst <- getmatrix(mod2, "sigma_epsilon")

# LISREL Model: LY = Lambda (lambda-y), TE = Theta (theta-epsilon), PS = Psi
mod <- lisrelModel(LY = lambdaEst, PS = psiEst, TE = thetaEst)

# Plot with semPlot:
semPaths(mod, "std", "est", as.expression = "nodes")

# We can make this nicer (set whatLabels = "none" to hide labels):
semPaths(mod,

# this argument controls what the color of edges represent. In this case,
# standardized parameters:
  what = "std",

# This argument controls what the edge labels represent. In this case, parameter
# estimates:
  whatLabels = "est",

# This argument draws the node and edge labels as mathematical expressions:
  as.expression = "nodes",

# This will plot residuals as arrows, closer to what we use in class:
  style = "lisrel",

# This makes the residuals larger:
  residScale = 10,

# qgraph colorblind friendly theme:
  theme = "colorblind",

# tree layout options are "tree", "tree2", and "tree3":
  layout = "tree2",

# This makes the latent covariances connect at a cardinal center point:
  cardinal = "lat cov",

# Changes curve into rounded straight lines:
  curvePivot = TRUE,

# Size of manifest variables:
  sizeMan = 4,

# Size of latent variables:
  sizeLat = 10,

# Size of edge labels:
  edge.label.cex = 1,

# Sets the margins:
  mar = c(9,1,8,1),
```

```

# Prevents re-ordering of observed variables:
  reorder = FALSE,

# Width of the plot:
  width = 8,

# Height of plot:
  height = 5,

# Colors according to latents:
  groups = "latents",

# Pastel colors:
  pastel = TRUE,

# Disable borders:
  borders = FALSE
)

# Use arguments filetype = "pdf" and filename = "semPlotExample1" to store PDF

### Latent Network Modeling ###

# Latent network model:
lnm <- lvm(StarWars, lambda = Lambda, vars = obsvars,
          latents = latents, identification = "variance",
          latent = "ggm")

# Run model:
lnm <- lnm %>% runmodel

# Look at parameters:
lnm %>% parameters

# Remove non-sig latent edge:
lnm <- lnm %>% prune(alpha = 0.05)

# Compare to the original CFA model:
compare(cfa = mod1, lnm = lnm)

# Plot network:
library("qgraph")
qgraph(lnm@modelmatrices[[1]]$omega_zeta, labels = latents,
       theme = "colorblind", vsize = 10)

# A wrapper for the latent network model is the lnm function:
lnm2 <- lnm(StarWars, lambda = Lambda, vars = obsvars,
           latents = latents, identification = "variance")
lnm2 <- lnm2 %>% runmodel %>% prune(alpha = 0.05)
compare(lnm, lnm2) # Is the same as the model before.

# I could also estimate a "residual network model", which adds partial correlations to
# the residual level:

```



```

# This can be done using lvm(..., residual = "ggm") or with rnm(...)
rnm <- rnm(StarWars, lambda = Lambda, vars = obsvars,
          latents = latents, identification = "variance")
# Stepup search:
rnm <- rnm %>% stepup

# It will estimate the same model (with link Q10 - Q4) as above. In the case of only one
# partial correlation, There is no difference between residual covariances (SEM) or
# residual partial correlations (RNM).

# For more information on latent and residual network models, see:
# Epskamp, S., Rhemtulla, M.T., & Borsboom, D. Generalized Network Psychometrics:
# Combining Network and Latent Variable Models
# (2017). Psychometrika. doi:10.1007/s11336-017-9557-x

### Gaussian graphical models ###

# All psychometrics functions (e.g., lvm, lnm, rnm...) allow input via a covariance
# matrix, with the "covs" and "nobs" arguments.
# The following fits a baseline GGM network with no edges:
S <- (nrow(StarWars) - 1) / (nrow(StarWars)) * cov(StarWars[,1:10])
ggmmod <- ggm(covs = S, nobs = nrow(StarWars), omega = "empty")

# Run model with stepup search and pruning:
ggmmod <- ggmmod %>% stepup(greedy=TRUE) %>% prune

# Fit measures:
ggmmod %>% fit

# Plot network:
nodeNames <- c(
  "I am a huge Star Wars fan! (star what?)",
  "I would trust this person with my democracy.",
  "I enjoyed the story of Anakin's early life.",
  "The special effects in this scene are awful (Battle of Geonosis).",
  "I would trust this person with my life.",
  "I found Darth Vader's big reveal in 'Empire' one of the greatest
  moments in movie history.",
  "The special effects in this scene are amazing (Death Star explosion).",
  "If possible, I would definitely buy this droid.",
  "The story in the Star Wars sequels is an improvement to the previous movies.",
  "The special effects in this scene are marvellous (Starkiller Base Firing)."
)
library("qgraph")
qgraph(as.matrix(ggmmod@modelmatrices[[1]]$omega), nodeNames = nodeNames,
       legend.cex = 0.25, theme = "colorblind", layout = "spring")

# We can actually compare this model statistically (note they are not nested) to the
# latent variable model:
compare(original_cfa = mod1, adjusted_cfa = mod2, exploratory_ggm = ggmmod)

```

```

### Measurement invariance ###
# Let's say we are interested in seeing if people >= 30 like the original trilogy better
# than people < 30.
# First we can make a grouping variable:
StarWars$agegroup <- ifelse(StarWars$Q12 < 30, "young", "less young")

# Let's look at the distribution:
table(StarWars$agegroup) # Pretty even...

# Observed variables:
obsvars <- paste0("Q",1:10)

# Let's look at the mean scores:
StarWars %>% group_by(agegroup) %>% summarize_each(funs(mean),vars = obsvars)
# Less young people seem to score higher on prequel questions and lower on other
# questions

# Factor loadings matrix:
Lambda <- matrix(0, 10, 3)
Lambda[1:4,1] <- 1
Lambda[c(1,5:7),2] <- 1
Lambda[c(1,8:10),3] <- 1

# Residual covariances:
Theta <- diag(1, 10)
Theta[4,10] <- Theta[10,4] <- 1

# Latents:
latents <- c("Prequels","Original","Sequels")

# Make model:
mod_configural <- lvm(StarWars, lambda = Lambda, vars = obsvars,
  latents = latents, sigma_epsilon = Theta,
  identification = "variance",
  groups = "agegroup")

# Run model:
mod_configural <- mod_configural %>% runmodel

# Look at fit:
mod_configural
mod_configural %>% fit

# Looks good, let's try weak invariance:
mod_weak <- mod_configural %>% groupequal("lambda") %>% runmodel

# Compare models:
compare(configural = mod_configural, weak = mod_weak)

# weak invariance can be accepted, let's try strong:
mod_strong <- mod_weak %>% groupequal("nu") %>% runmodel
# Means are automatically identified

```

```

# Compare models:
compare(configural = mod_configural, weak = mod_weak, strong = mod_strong)

# Questionable p-value and AIC difference, but ok BIC difference. This is quite good, but
# let's take a look. I have not yet implemented LM tests for equality constrains, but we
# can look at something called "equality-free" MIs:
mod_strong %>% MIs(matrices = "nu", type = "free")

# Indicates that Q10 would improve fit. We can also look at residuals:
residuals(mod_strong)

# Let's try freeing intercept 10:
mod_strong_partial <- mod_strong %>% groupfree("nu",10) %>% runmodel

# Compare all models:
compare(configural = mod_configural,
        weak = mod_weak,
        strong = mod_strong,
        strong_partial = mod_strong_partial)

# This seems worth it and lead to an acceptable model! It seems that older people find
# the latest special effects more marvellous!
mod_strong_partial %>% getmatrix("nu")

# Now let's investigate strict invariance:
mod_strict <- mod_strong_partial %>% groupequal("sigma_epsilon") %>% runmodel

# Compare all models:
compare(configural = mod_configural,
        weak = mod_weak,
        strong_partial = mod_strong_partial,
        strict = mod_strict)
# Strict invariance can be accepted!

# Now we can test for homogeneity!
# Are the latent variances equal?
mod_eqvar <- mod_strict %>% groupequal("sigma_zeta") %>% runmodel

# Compare:
compare(strict = mod_strict, eqvar = mod_eqvar)

# This is acceptable. What about the means? (alpha = nu_eta)
mod_eqmeans <- mod_eqvar %>% groupequal("nu_eta") %>% runmodel

# Compare:
compare(eqvar = mod_eqvar, eqmeans = mod_eqmeans)

# Rejected! We could look at MIs again:
mod_eqmeans %>% MIs(matrices = "nu_eta", type = "free")

# Indicates the strongest effect for prequels. Let's see what happens:
eqmeans2 <- mod_eqvar %>%
  groupequal("nu_eta",row = c("Original","Sequels")) %>% runmodel

```

```

# Compare:
compare(eqvar = mod_eqvar, eqmeans = eqmeans2)
# Questionable, what about the sequels as well?

eqmeans3 <- mod_eqvar %>% groupequal("nu_eta", row = "Original") %>% runmodel

# Compare:
compare(eqvar = mod_eqvar, eqmeans = eqmeans3)

# Still questionable.. Let's look at the mean differences:
mod_eqvar %>% getmatrix("nu_eta")

# Looks like people over 30 like the prequels better and the other two trilogies less!

```

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MIs

---

*Print modification indices*


---

### Description

This function prints a list of modification indices (MIs)

### Usage

```
MIs(x, all = FALSE, matrices, type = c("normal", "equal", "free"), top = 10,
    verbose = TRUE, nonZero = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

x	A psychometrics model.
all	Logical, should all MIs be printed or only the highest?
matrices	Optional vector of matrices to include in the output.
type	String indicating which kind of modification index should be printed. ("mi" is the typical MI, "mi_free" is the modification index free from equality constraints across groups, and "mi_equal" is the modification index if the parameter is added constrained equal across all groups).
top	Number of MIs to include in output if all = FALSE
verbose	Logical, should messages be printed?
nonZero	Logical, should only MIs be printed of non-zero parameters? Useful to explore violations of group equality.

### Value

Invisibly returns a relevant subset of the data frame containing all information on the parameters, or a list of such data frames if multiple types of MIs are requested.

**Author(s)**

Sacha Epskamp

**Examples**

```
# Load bfi data from psych package:
library("psychTools")
data(bfi)

# Also load dplyr for the pipe operator:
library("dplyr")

# Let's take the agreeableness items, and gender:
ConsData <- bfi %>%
  select(A1:A5, gender) %>%
  na.omit # Let's remove missingness (otherwise use Estimator = "FIML")

# Define variables:
vars <- names(ConsData)[1:5]

# Let's fit a full GGM:
mod <- ggm(ConsData, vars = vars, omega = "empty")

# Run model:
mod <- mod %>% runmodel

# Modification indices:
mod %>% MIs
```

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 modelsearch

*Stepwise model search*


---

**Description**

This function performs stepwise model search to find an optimal model that (locally) minimizes some criterion (by default, the BIC).

**Usage**

```
modelsearch(x, criterion = "bic", matrices, prunealpha = 0.001, addalpha = 0.05,
  verbose = TRUE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	A psychometrics model.
criterion	String indicating the criterion to minimize. Any criterion from <a href="#">fit</a> can be used.
matrices	Vector of strings indicating which matrices should be searched. Will default to network structures and factor loadings.

prunealpha	Minimal alpha used to consider edges to be removed
addalpha	Maximum alpha used to consider edges to be added
verbose	Logical, should messages be printed?
...	Arguments sent to <a href="#">runmodel</a>

### Details

The full algorithm is as follows:

1. Evaluate all models in which an edge is removed that has  $p > \text{prunealpha}$ , or an edge is added that has a modification index with  $p < \text{addalpha}$
2. If none of these models improve the criterion, return the previous model and stop the algorithm
3. Update the model to the model that improved the criterion the most
4. Evaluate all other considered models that improved the criterion
5. If none of these models improve the criterion, go to 1, else go to 3

### Value

An object of the class psychometrics ([psychometrics-class](#))

### Author(s)

Sacha Epskamp

### See Also

[prune](#), [stepup](#)

### Examples

```
# Load bfi data from psych package:
library("psychTools")
data(bfi)

# Also load dplyr for the pipe operator:
library("dplyr")

# Let's take the agreeableness items, and gender:
ConsData <- bfi %>%
  select(A1:A5, gender) %>%
  na.omit # Let's remove missingness (otherwise use Estimator = "FIML)

# Define variables:
vars <- names(ConsData)[1:5]

# Let's fit a full GGM:
mod <- ggm(ConsData, vars = vars)

# Run model:
```

```
mod <- mod %>% runmodel

# Model search
mod <- mod %>% prune(alpha= 0.01) %>% modelsearch
```

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parameters

*Print parameter estimates*

---

### Description

This function will print a list of parameters of the model

### Usage

```
parameters(x)
```

### Arguments

x                    A psychometrics model.

### Value

Invisibly returns a data frame containing information on all parameters.

### Author(s)

Sacha Epskamp

### Examples

```
# Load bfi data from psych package:
library("psychTools")
data(bfi)

# Also load dplyr for the pipe operator:
library("dplyr")

# Let's take the agreeableness items, and gender:
ConsData <- bfi %>%
  select(A1:A5, gender) %>%
  na.omit # Let's remove missingness (otherwise use Estimator = "FIML)

# Define variables:
vars <- names(ConsData)[1:5]

# Let's fit a full GGM:
mod <- ggm(ConsData, vars = vars, omega = "empty")

# Run model:
```

```

mod <- mod %>% runmodel

# Parameter estimates:
mod %>% parameters

```

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parequal *Set equality constraints across parameters*

---

### Description

This function can be used to set parameters equal

### Usage

```
parequal(x, ..., inds = integer(0), verbose = TRUE, log = TRUE, runmodel = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

x	A psychometrics model.
...	Arguments sent to runmodel
inds	Parameter indices of parameters to be constrained equal
verbose	Logical, should messages be printed?
log	Logical, should the log be updated?
runmodel	Logical, should the model be updated?

### Value

An object of the class psychometrics ([psychometrics-class](#))

### Author(s)

Sacha Epskamp

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prune *Stepdown model search by pruning non-significant parameters.*

---

### Description

This function will (recursively) remove parameters that are not significant and refit the model.

### Usage

```

prune(x, alpha = 0.01, adjust = c("none", "holm", "hochberg", "hommel", "bonferroni",
"BH", "BY", "fdr"), matrices, runmodel = TRUE, recursive = TRUE, verbose = TRUE,
log = TRUE, identify = TRUE, startreduce = 1, limit = Inf, ...)

```



**Arguments**

x	A psychometrics model.
alpha	Significance level to use.
adjust	p-value adjustment method to use. See p.adjust.
matrices	Vector of strings indicating which matrices should be pruned. Will default to network structures.
runmodel	Logical, should the model be evaluated after pruning?
recursive	Logical, should the pruning process be repeated?
verbose	Logical, should messages be printed?
log	Logical, should the log be updated?
identify	Logical, should models be identified automatically?
startreduce	A numeric value indicating a factor with which the starting values should be reduced. Can be useful when encountering numeric problems.
limit	The maximum number of parameters to be pruned.
...	Arguments sent to <a href="#">runmodel</a>

**Value**

An object of the class psychometrics ([psychometrics-class](#))

**Author(s)**

Sacha Epskamp

**See Also**

[stepup](#)

**Examples**

```
# Load bfi data from psych package:
library("psychTools")
data(bfi)

# Also load dplyr for the pipe operator:
library("dplyr")

# Let's take the agreeableness items, and gender:
ConsData <- bfi %>%
  select(A1:A5, gender) %>%
  na.omit # Let's remove missingness (otherwise use Estimator = "FIML")

# Define variables:
vars <- names(ConsData)[1:5]

# Let's fit a full GGM:
mod <- ggm(ConsData, vars = vars, omega = "full")
```

```
# Run model:
mod <- mod %>% runmodel

# Prune model:
mod <- mod %>% prune(adjust = "fdr", recursive = FALSE)
```

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psychometrics-class    *Class "psychometrics"*

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### Description

Main class for psychometrics results.

### Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("psychometrics", ...)`.

### Slots

```
model: Object of class "character" ~~
submodel: Object of class "character" ~~
parameters: Object of class "data.frame" ~~
matrices: Object of class "data.frame" ~~
meanstructure: Object of class "logical" ~~
computed: Object of class "logical" ~~
sample: Object of class "psychometrics_samplestats" ~~
modelmatrices: Object of class "list" ~~
log: Object of class "psychometrics_log" ~~
optim: Object of class "list" ~~
fitmeasures: Object of class "list" ~~
baseline_saturated: Object of class "list" ~~
equal: Object of class "character" ~~
objective: Object of class "numeric" ~~
information: Object of class "matrix" ~~
identification: Object of class "character" ~~
optimizer: Object of class "character" ~~
estimator: Object of class "character" ~~
distribution: Object of class "character" ~~
extramatrices: Object of class "list" ~~
rawts: Object of class "logical" ~~
Drawts: Object of class "list" ~~
types: Object of class "list" ~~
cpp: Object of class "logical" ~~
```

**Methods**

```
resid signature(object = "psychometrics"): ...  
residuals signature(object = "psychometrics"): ...  
show signature(object = "psychometrics"): ...
```

**Author(s)**

Sacha Epskamp

**Examples**

```
showClass("psychometrics")
```

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psychometrics\_update    *Model updating functions*

---

**Description**

These functions update a psychometrics model. Typically they are not required.

**Usage**

```
addMIs(x, matrices = "all", type = c("normal", "free", "equal"), verbose = TRUE,  
       analyticFisher = TRUE)  
  
addSEs(x)  
  
addfit(x)  
  
identify(x)
```

**Arguments**

x	A psychometrics model.
matrices	Optional vector of matrices to include in MIs.
type	String indicating which modification indices should be updated.
verbose	Logical, should messages be printed?
analyticFisher	Logical indicating if an analytic Fisher information matrix should be used.

**Value**

An object of the class psychometrics ([psychometrics-class](#))

**Author(s)**

Sacha Epskamp

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`runmodel`*Run a psychometrics model*

---

**Description**

This is the main function used to run a psychometrics model.

**Usage**

```
runmodel(x, level = c("gradient", "fitfunction"), addfit = TRUE, addMIs = TRUE,
addSEs = TRUE, addInformation = TRUE, log = TRUE, verbose = TRUE,
optim.control = list(), maxtry = 5, analyticFisher = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	A psychometrics model.
<code>level</code>	Level at which the model should be estimated. Defaults to "gradient" to indicate the analytic gradient should be used.
<code>addfit</code>	Logical, should fit measures be added?
<code>addMIs</code>	Logical, should modification indices be added?
<code>addSEs</code>	Logical, should standard errors be added?
<code>addInformation</code>	Logical, should the Fisher information be added?
<code>log</code>	Logical, should the log be updated?
<code>verbose</code>	Logical, should messages be printed?
<code>optim.control</code>	A list with options for <code>optimr</code>
<code>maxtry</code>	Integer indicating how often estimation should be attempted.
<code>analyticFisher</code>	Logical, should the analytic Fisher information be used? If FALSE, numeric information is used instead.

**Value**

An object of the class psychometrics ([psychometrics-class](#))

**Author(s)**

Sacha Epskamp

**Examples**

```
# Load bfi data from psych package:
library("psychTools")
data(bfi)

# Also load dplyr for the pipe operator:
library("dplyr")
```

```
# Let's take the agreeableness items, and gender:
ConsData <- bfi %>%
  select(A1:A5, gender) %>%
  na.omit # Let's remove missingness (otherwise use Estimator = "FIML")

# Define variables:
vars <- names(ConsData)[1:5]

# Let's fit a full GGM:
mod <- ggm(ConsData, vars = vars, omega = "full")

# Run model:
mod <- mod %>% runmodel
```

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setestimator

*Convenience functions*

---

## Description

These functions can be used to change some estimator options.

## Usage

```
setestimator(x, estimator)
```

```
setoptimizer(x, optimizer)
```

```
usecpp(x, use = TRUE)
```

## Arguments

x	A psychometrics model.
estimator	A string indicating the estimator to be used
optimizer	A string indicating the optimizer to be used
use	Logical indicating if C++ should be used (currently only used in FIML)

## Value

An object of the class psychometrics ([psychometrics-class](#))

## Author(s)

Sacha Epskamp

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StarWars

*Star Wars dataset*

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### Description

This questionnaire was constructed by Carolin Katzera, Charlotte Tanis, Esther Niehoff, Myrthe Veenman, and Jason Nak as part of an assignment for a course on confirmatory factor analysis (<http://sachaepskamp.com/SEM2018>). They also collected the data among fellow psychology students as well as through social media.

### Usage

```
data("StarWars")
```

### Format

A data frame with 271 observations on the following 13 variables.

- Q1 I am a huge Star Wars fan! (star what?)
- Q2 I would trust this person with my democracy <picture of Jar Jar Binks>
- Q3 I enjoyed the story of Anakin's early life
- Q4 The special effects in this scene are awful <video of the Battle of Geonosis>
- Q5 I would trust this person with my life <picture of Han Solo>
- Q6 I found Darth Vader's big reveal in "Empire" one of the greatest moments in movie history
- Q7 The special effects in this scene are amazing <video of the Death Star explosion>
- Q8 If possible, I would definitely buy this droid <picture of BB-8>
- Q9 The story in the Star Wars sequels is an improvement to the previous movies
- Q10 The special effects in this scene are marvellous <video of the Starkiller Base firing>
- Q11 What is your gender?
- Q12 How old are you?
- Q13 Have you seen any of the Star Wars movies?

### Details

The questionnaire is online at [https://github.com/SachaEpskamp/SEM-code-examples/blob/master/CFA\\_fit\\_examples/StarWars](https://github.com/SachaEpskamp/SEM-code-examples/blob/master/CFA_fit_examples/StarWars). The authors of the questionnaire defined a measurement model before collecting data: Q2 - Q4 are expected to load on a "prequel" factor, Q5 - Q7 are expected to load in a "originals" factor, and Q8 - Q10 are expected to load on a "sequel" factor. Finally, Q1 is expected to load on all three.

### Source

[https://github.com/SachaEpskamp/SEM-code-examples/blob/master/CFA\\_fit\\_examples](https://github.com/SachaEpskamp/SEM-code-examples/blob/master/CFA_fit_examples)

### Examples

```
data(StarWars)
```

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stepup	<i>Stepup model search along modification indices</i>
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### Description

This function automatically performs step-up search by adding the parameter with the largest modification index until some criterion is reached or no modification indices are significant at alpha.

### Usage

```
stepup(x, alpha = 0.01, criterion = "bic", matrices, mi = c("mi", "mi_free", "mi_equal"),
       greedyadjust = c("bonferroni", "none", "holm", "hochberg", "hommel", "fdr", "BH",
                        "BY"), stopif, greedy = FALSE, verbose = TRUE, checkinformation = TRUE,
       singularinformation = c("tryfix", "skip", "continue", "stop"), startEPC = TRUE,...)
```

### Arguments

x	A psychometrics model.
alpha	Significance level to use.
criterion	String indicating the criterion to minimize. Any criterion from <a href="#">fit</a> can be used.
matrices	Vector of strings indicating which matrices should be searched. Will default to network structures and factor loadings.
mi	String indicating which kind of modification index should be used ("mi" is the typical MI, "mi_free" is the modification index free from equality constraints across groups, and "mi_equal" is the modification index if the parameter is added constrained equal across all groups).
greedyadjust	String indicating which p-value adjustment should be used in greedy start. Any method from <code>p.adjust</code> can be used.
stopif	An R expression, using objects from <code>fit</code> , which will break stepup search if it evaluates to TRUE. For example, <code>stopif = rmsea &lt; 0.05</code> will lead to search to stop if rmsea is below 0.05.
greedy	Logical, should a greedy start be used? If TRUE, the first step adds any parameter that is significant (after adjustment)
verbose	Logical, should messages be printed?
checkinformation	Logical, should the Fisher information be checked for potentially non-identified models?
singularinformation	String indicating how to proceed if the information matrix is singular. "tryfix" will adjust starting values to try to fix the problem, "skip" will lead to the algorithm to skip the current parameter, "continue" will ignore the situation, and "stop" will break the algorithm and return a list with the last two models.
startEPC	Logical, should the starting value be set at the expected parameter change?
...	Arguments sent to <a href="#">runmodel</a>

**Value**

An object of the class psychometrics ([psychometrics-class](#))

**Author(s)**

Sacha Epskamp

**See Also**

[prune](#)

**Examples**

```
# Load bfi data from psych package:
library("psychTools")
data(bfi)

# Also load dplyr for the pipe operator:
library("dplyr")

# Let's take the agreeableness items, and gender:
ConsData <- bfi %>%
  select(A1:A5, gender) %>%
  na.omit # Let's remove missingness (otherwise use Estimator = "FIML")

# Define variables:
vars <- names(ConsData)[1:5]

# Let's fit a full GGM:
mod <- ggm(ConsData, vars = vars, omega = "full")

# Run model:
mod <- mod %>%runmodel %>%prune(alpha = 0.05)

# Remove an edge (example):
mod <- mod %>%fixpar("omega",1,2) %>%runmodel

# Stepup search
mod <- mod %>%stepup(alpha = 0.05)
```



## Description

This is the family of models that models a dynamic factor model on time-series. There are two covariance structures that can be modeled in different ways: contemporaneous for the contemporaneous model and residual for the residual model. These can be set to "cov" for covariances, "prec" for a precision matrix, "ggm" for a Gaussian graphical model and "chol" for a Cholesky decomposition. The `ts_lvgvar` wrapper function sets `contemporaneous = "ggm"` for the graphical VAR model.

## Usage

```
tsdlvm1(data, lambda, contemporaneous = c("cov", "chol",
    "prec", "ggm"), residual = c("cov", "chol", "prec",
    "ggm"), beta = "full", omega_zeta = "full", delta_zeta
    = "full", kappa_zeta = "full", sigma_zeta = "full",
    lowertri_zeta = "full", omega_epsilon = "empty",
    delta_epsilon = "empty", kappa_epsilon = "empty",
    sigma_epsilon = "empty", lowertri_epsilon = "empty",
    nu, mu_eta, identify = TRUE, identification =
    c("loadings", "variance"), latents, beepvar, dayvar,
    idvar, vars, groups, covs, means, nobs, missing =
    "listwise", equal = "none", baseline_saturated = TRUE,
    estimator = "ML", optimizer = "default", storedata =
    FALSE, sampleStats, covtype = c("choose", "ML", "UB"),
    centerWithin = FALSE)
```

```
ts_lvgvar(...)
```

## Arguments

<code>data</code>	A data frame encoding the data used in the analysis. Can be missing if <code>covs</code> and <code>nobs</code> are supplied.
<code>lambda</code>	A model matrix encoding the factor loading structure. Each row indicates an indicator and each column a latent. A 0 encodes a fixed to zero element, a 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
<code>contemporaneous</code>	The type of contemporaneous model used. See description.
<code>residual</code>	The type of residual model used. See description.
<code>beta</code>	A model matrix encoding the temporal relationships (transpose of temporal network) between latent variables. A 0 encodes a fixed to zero element, a 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix. Can also be "full" for a full temporal network or "empty" for an empty temporal network.
<code>omega_zeta</code>	Only used when <code>contemporaneous = "ggm"</code> . Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to set all elements to zero, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to

	estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
delta_zeta	Only used when contemporaneous = "ggm". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to set all elements to zero, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
kappa_zeta	Only used when contemporaneous = "prec". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to only include diagonal elements, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
sigma_zeta	Only used when contemporaneous = "cov". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to only include diagonal elements, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
lowertri_zeta	Only used when contemporaneous = "chol". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to only include diagonal elements, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
omega_epsilon	Only used when residual = "ggm". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to set all elements to zero, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
delta_epsilon	Only used when residual = "ggm". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to set all elements to zero, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
kappa_epsilon	Only used when residual = "prec". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to only include diagonal elements, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
sigma_epsilon	Only used when residual = "cov". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to only include diagonal elements, or a matrix of the dimen-

sions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.

lowertri_epsilon	Only used when residual = "chol". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to only include diagonal elements, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
nu	Optional vector encoding the intercepts of the observed variables. Set elements to 0 to indicate fixed to zero constrains, 1 to indicate free intercepts, and higher integers to indicate equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/column encoding such a vector.
mu_eta	Optional vector encoding the means of the latent variables. Set elements to 0 to indicate fixed to zero constrains, 1 to indicate free intercepts, and higher integers to indicate equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/column encoding such a vector.
identify	Logical, should the model be automatically identified?
identification	Type of identification used. "loadings" to fix the first factor loadings to 1, and "variance" to fix the diagonal of the latent variable model matrix (sigma_zeta, lowertri_zeta, delta_zeta or kappa_zeta) to 1.
latents	An optional character vector with names of the latent variables.
beepvar	Optional string indicating assessment beep per day. Adding this argument will cause non-consecutive beeps to be treated as missing!
dayvar	Optional string indicating assessment day. Adding this argument makes sure that the first measurement of a day is not regressed on the last measurement of the previous day. IMPORTANT: only add this if the data has multiple observations per day.
idvar	Optional string indicating the subject ID
vars	An optional character vector encoding the variables used in the analysis. Must equal names of the dataset in data.
groups	An optional string indicating the name of the group variable in data.
covs	A sample variance–covariance matrix, or a list/array of such matrices for multiple groups. Make sure covtype argument is set correctly to the type of covariances used.
means	A vector of sample means, or a list/matrix containing such vectors for multiple groups.
nobs	The number of observations used in covs and means, or a vector of such numbers of observations for multiple groups.
missing	How should missingness be handled in computing the sample covariances and number of observations when data is used. Can be "listwise" for listwise deletion, or "pairwise" for pairwise deletion.

equal	A character vector indicating which matrices should be constrained equal across groups.
baseline_saturated	A logical indicating if the baseline and saturated model should be included. Mostly used internally and NOT Recommended to be used manually.
estimator	The estimator to be used. Currently implemented are "ML" for maximum likelihood estimation, "FIML" for full-information maximum likelihood estimation, "ULS" for unweighted least squares estimation, "WLS" for weighted least squares estimation, and "DWLS" for diagonally weighted least squares estimation.
optimizer	The optimizer to be used. Usually either "nlsminb" (with box constraints) or "ucminf" (ignoring box constraints), but any optimizer supported by optimr can be used.
storedata	Logical, should the raw data be stored? Needed for bootstrapping (see bootstrap).
sampleStats	An optional sample statistics object. Mostly used internally.
centerWithin	Logical, should data be within-person centered?
covtype	If 'covs' is used, this is the type of covariance (maximum likelihood or unbiased) the input covariance matrix represents. Set to "ML" for maximum likelihood estimates (denominator n) and "UB" to unbiased estimates (denominator n-1). The default will try to find the type used, by investigating which is most likely to result from integer valued datasets.
...	Arguments sent to tsdlvm1

**Value**

An object of the class psychometrics ([psychometrics-class](#))

**Author(s)**

Sacha Epskamp

**Examples**

```
# Note: this example is wrapped in a dontrun environment because the data is not
# available locally.
## Not run:
# Obtain the data from:
#
# Epskamp, S., van Borkulo, C. D., van der Veen, D. C., Servaas, M. N., Isvoranu, A. M.,
# Riese, H., & Cramer, A. O. (2018). Personalized network modeling in psychopathology:
# The importance of contemporaneous and temporal connections. Clinical Psychological
# Science, 6(3), 416-427.
#
# Available here: https://osf.io/c8wjz/
tsdata <- read.csv("Supplementary2_data.csv")

# Encode time variable in a way R understands:
tsdata$time <- as.POSIXct(tsdata$time, tz = "Europe/Amsterdam")
```

```

# Extract days:
tsdata$Day <- as.Date(tsdata$time, tz = "Europe/Amsterdam")

# Variables to use:
vars <- c("relaxed", "sad", "nervous", "concentration", "tired", "rumination",
         "bodily.discomfort")

# Create lambda matrix (in this case: one factor):
Lambda <- matrix(1,7,1)

# Estimate dynamical factor model:
model <- tsdlvm1(
  tsdata,
  lambda = Lambda,
  vars = vars,
  dayvar = "Day",
  estimator = "FIML"
)

# Run model:
model <- model %>% runmodel

# Look at fit:
model %>% print
model %>% fit # Pretty bad fit

## End(Not run)

```

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unionmodel

*Unify models across groups*


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### Description

The `unionmodel` will add all parameters to all groups that are free in at least one group, and the `intersectionmodel` will constrain all parameters across groups to zero unless they are free to estimate in all groups.

### Usage

```
unionmodel(x, runmodel = FALSE, verbose = TRUE, log = TRUE, identify = TRUE, ...)
```

```
intersectionmodel(x, runmodel = FALSE, verbose = TRUE, log = TRUE, identify = TRUE, ...)
```

### Arguments

<code>x</code>	A psychometrics model.
<code>runmodel</code>	Logical, should the model be updated?
<code>verbose</code>	Logical, should messages be printed?

log	Logical, should the log be updated?
identify	Logical, should the model be identified?
...	Arguments sent to runmodel

**Value**

An object of the class psychometrics ([psychometrics-class](#))

**Author(s)**

Sacha Epskamp

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var1	<i>Lag-1 vector autoregression family of psychometrics models</i>
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**Description**

This is the family of models that models time-series data using a lag-1 vector autoregressive model (VAR; Epskamp, Waldorp, Mottus, Borsboom, 2018). The model is fitted to the Toeplitz matrix, but unlike typical SEM software the block of covariances of the lagged variables is not used in estimating the temporal and contemporaneous relationships (the block is modeled completely separately using a cholesky decomposition, and does not enter the model elsewhere). The contemporaneous argument can be used to define what contemporaneous model is used: contemporaneous = "cov" (default) models a variance-covariance matrix, contemporaneous = "chol" models a Cholesky decomposition, contemporaneous = "prec" models a precision matrix, and contemporaneous = "ggm" (alias: gvar()) models a Gaussian graphical model, also then known as a graphical VAR model.

**Usage**

```
var1(data, contemporaneous = c("cov", "chol", "prec",
                              "ggm"), beta = "full", omega_zeta = "full", delta_zeta
      = "full", kappa_zeta = "full", sigma_zeta = "full",
      lowertri_zeta = "full", mu, beepvar, dayvar, idvar,
      vars, groups, covs, means, nobs, missing = "listwise",
      equal = "none", baseline_saturated = TRUE, estimator =
      "ML", optimizer = "default", storedata = FALSE,
      covtype = c("choose", "ML", "UB"), sampleStats)

gvar(...)
```

**Arguments**

data	A data frame encoding the data used in the analysis. Can be missing if covs and nobs are supplied.
contemporaneous	The type of contemporaneous model used. See description.

beta	A model matrix encoding the temporal relationships (transpose of temporal network). A 0 encodes a fixed to zero element, a 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix. Can also be "full" for a full temporal network or "empty" for an empty temporal network.
omega_zeta	Only used when contemporaneous = "ggm". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to set all elements to zero, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
delta_zeta	Only used when contemporaneous = "ggm". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to set all elements to zero, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
kappa_zeta	Only used when contemporaneous = "prec". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to only include diagonal elements, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
sigma_zeta	Only used when contemporaneous = "cov". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to only include diagonal elements, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
lowertri_zeta	Only used when contemporaneous = "chol". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to only include diagonal elements, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
mu	Optional vector encoding the mean structure. Set elements to 0 to indicate fixed to zero constrains, 1 to indicate free means, and higher integers to indicate equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/column encoding such a vector.
beepvar	Optional string indicating assessment beep per day. Adding this argument will cause non-consecutive beeps to be treated as missing!
dayvar	Optional string indicating assessment day. Adding this argument makes sure that the first measurement of a day is not regressed on the last measurement of the previous day. IMPORTANT: only add this if the data has multiple observations per day.

idvar	Optional string indicating the subject ID
vars	An optional character vector encoding the variables used in the analysis. Must equal names of the dataset in data.
groups	An optional string indicating the name of the group variable in data.
covs	A sample variance–covariance matrix, or a list/array of such matrices for multiple groups. Make sure covtype argument is set correctly to the type of covariances used.
means	A vector of sample means, or a list/matrix containing such vectors for multiple groups.
nobs	The number of observations used in covs and means, or a vector of such numbers of observations for multiple groups.
missing	How should missingness be handled in computing the sample covariances and number of observations when data is used. Can be "listwise" for listwise deletion, or "pairwise" for pairwise deletion.
equal	A character vector indicating which matrices should be constrained equal across groups.
baseline_saturated	A logical indicating if the baseline and saturated model should be included. Mostly used internally and NOT Recommended to be used manually.
estimator	The estimator to be used. Currently implemented are "ML" for maximum likelihood estimation, "FIML" for full-information maximum likelihood estimation, "ULS" for unweighted least squares estimation, "WLS" for weighted least squares estimation, and "DWLS" for diagonally weighted least squares estimation.
optimizer	The optimizer to be used. Usually either "nlsminb" (with box constraints) or "ucminf" (ignoring box constraints), but any optimizer supported by optimr can be used.
storedata	Logical, should the raw data be stored? Needed for bootstrapping (see bootstrap).
sampleStats	An optional sample statistics object. Mostly used internally.
covtype	If 'covs' is used, this is the type of covariance (maximum likelihood or unbiased) the input covariance matrix represents. Set to "ML" for maximum likelihood estimates (denominator n) and "UB" to unbiased estimates (denominator n-1). The default will try to find the type used, by investigating which is most likely to result from integer valued datasets.
...	Arguments sent to var1

### Details

This will be updated in a later version.

### Value

An object of the class psychometrics

### Author(s)

Sacha Epskamp



## References

Epskamp, S., Waldorp, L. J., Mottus, R., & Borsboom, D. (2018). The Gaussian graphical model in cross-sectional and time-series data. *Multivariate Behavioral Research*, 53(4), 453-480.

## See Also

[lvm](#), [varcov](#), [dlvm1](#)

## Examples

```
library("dplyr")
library("graphicalVAR")

beta <- matrix(c(
  0,0.5,
  0.5,0
),2,2,byrow=TRUE)
kappa <- diag(2)
simData <- graphicalVARsim(50, beta, kappa)

# Form model:
model <- gvar(simData)

# Evaluate model:
model <- model %>% runmodel

# Parameter estimates:
model %>% parameters

# Note: this example is wrapped in a dontrun environment because the data is not
# available locally.
## Not run:
# Longer example:
#
# Obtain the data from:
#
# Epskamp, S., van Borkulo, C. D., van der Veen, D. C., Servaas, M. N., Isvoranu, A. M.,
# Riese, H., & Cramer, A. O. (2018). Personalized network modeling in psychopathology:
# The importance of contemporaneous and temporal connections. Clinical Psychological
# Science, 6(3), 416-427.
#
# Available here: https://osf.io/c8wjz/

tsdata <- read.csv("Supplementary2_data.csv")

# Encode time variable in a way R understands:
tsdata$time <- as.POSIXct(tsdata$time, tz = "Europe/Amsterdam")

# Extract days:
tsdata$Day <- as.Date(tsdata$time, tz = "Europe/Amsterdam")

# Variables to use:
```

```

vars <- c("relaxed", "sad", "nervous", "concentration", "tired", "rumination",
         "bodily.discomfort")

# Estimate, prune with FDR, and perform stepup search:
model_FDRprune <- gvar(
  tsdata,
  vars = vars,
  dayvar = "Day",
  estimator = "FIIML"
) %>%
runmodel %>%
prune(adjust = "fdr", recursive = FALSE) %>%
stepup(criterion = "bic")

# Estimate with greedy stepup search:
model_stepup <- gvar(
  tsdata,
  vars = vars,
  dayvar = "Day",
  estimator = "FIIML",
  omega_zeta = "empty",
  beta = "empty"
) %>%
runmodel %>%
stepup(greedy = TRUE, greedyadjust = "bonferroni", criterion = "bic")

# Compare models:
compare(
  FDRprune = model_FDRprune,
  stepup = model_stepup
)
# Very similar but not identical. Stepup is preferred here according to AIC and BIC

# Stepup results:
temporal <- getmatrix(model_stepup, "PDC") # PDC = Partial Directed Correlations
contemporaneous <- getmatrix(model_stepup, "omega_zeta")

# Average layout:
library("qgraph")
L <- averageLayout(temporal, contemporaneous)

# Labels:
labs <- gsub("\\.", "\n", vars)

# Plot:
layout(t(1:2))
qgraph(temporal, layout = L, theme = "colorblind", directed=TRUE, diag=TRUE,
       title = "Temporal", vsize = 12, mar = rep(6,4), asize = 5,
       labels = labs)
qgraph(contemporaneous, layout = L, theme = "colorblind",
       title = "Contemporaneous", vsize = 12, mar = rep(6,4), asize = 5,
       labels = labs)

```

```
## End(Not run)
```

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```
varcov Variance-covariance family of psychometrics models
```

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## Description

This is the family of models that models only a variance-covariance matrix with mean structure. The type argument can be used to define what model is used: type = "cov" (default) models a variance-covariance matrix directly, type = "chol" (alias: cholesky()) models a Cholesky decomposition, type = "prec" (alias: precision()) models a precision matrix, type = "ggm" (alias: ggm()) models a Gaussian graphical model (Epskamp, Rhemtulla and Borsboom, 2017), and type = "cor" (alias: corr()) models a correlation matrix.

## Usage

```
varcov(data, type = c("cov", "chol", "prec", "ggm", "cor"),
       sigma = "full", kappa = "full", omega = "full",
       lowertri = "full", delta = "full", rho = "full", SD =
       "full", mu, tau, vars, ordered = character(0), groups,
       covs, means, nobs, missing = "listwise", equal =
       "none", baseline_saturated = TRUE, estimator =
       "default", optimizer = "default", storedata = FALSE,
       WLS.V, sampleStats, meanstructure, corinput, verbose =
       TRUE, covtype = c("choose", "ML", "UB"))

cholesky(...)
precision(...)
prec(...)
ggm(...)
corr(...)
```

## Arguments

data	A data frame encoding the data used in the analysis. Can be missing if covs and nobs are supplied.
type	The type of model used. See description.
sigma	Only used when type = "cov". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to only include diagonal elements, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
kappa	Only used when type = "prec". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to only include diagonal elements, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.

omega	Only used when type = "ggm". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to set all elements to zero, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
lowertri	Only used when type = "chol". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to only include diagonal elements, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
delta	Only used when type = "ggm". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to set all elements to zero, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
rho	Only used when type = "cor". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to set all elements to zero, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
SD	Only used when type = "cor". Either "full" to estimate every element freely, "empty" to set all elements to zero, or a matrix of the dimensions node x node with 0 encoding a fixed to zero element, 1 encoding a free to estimate element, and higher integers encoding equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/slice encoding such a matrix.
mu	Optional vector encoding the mean structure. Set elements to 0 to indicate fixed to zero constrains, 1 to indicate free means, and higher integers to indicate equality constrains. For multiple groups, this argument can be a list or array with each element/column encoding such a vector.
tau	Optional list encoding the thresholds per variable.
vars	An optional character vector encoding the variables used in the analysis. Must equal names of the dataset in data.
groups	An optional string indicating the name of the group variable in data.
covs	A sample variance–covariance matrix, or a list/array of such matrices for multiple groups. Make sure covtype argument is set correctly to the type of covariances used.
means	A vector of sample means, or a list/matrix containing such vectors for multiple groups.
nobs	The number of observations used in covs and means, or a vector of such numbers of observations for multiple groups.
covtype	If 'covs' is used, this is the type of covariance (maximum likelihood or unbiased) the input covariance matrix represents. Set to "ML" for maximum likelihood estimates (denominator n) and "UB" to unbiased estimates (denominator n-1). The default will try to find the type used, by investigating which is most likely to result from integer valued datasets.

missing	How should missingness be handled in computing the sample covariances and number of observations when data is used. Can be "listwise" for listwise deletion, or "pairwise" for pairwise deletion.
equal	A character vector indicating which matrices should be constrained equal across groups.
baseline_saturated	A logical indicating if the baseline and saturated model should be included. Mostly used internally and NOT Recommended to be used manually.
estimator	The estimator to be used. Currently implemented are "ML" for maximum likelihood estimation, "FIML" for full-information maximum likelihood estimation, "ULS" for unweighted least squares estimation, "WLS" for weighted least squares estimation, and "DWLS" for diagonally weighted least squares estimation.
optimizer	The optimizer to be used. Usually either "nlmminb" (with box constraints) or "ucminf" (ignoring box constraints), but any optimizer supported by optimr can be used.
storedata	Logical, should the raw data be stored? Needed for bootstrapping (see bootstrap).
WLS.V	Optional WLS weights matrix.
sampleStats	An optional sample statistics object. Mostly used internally.
ordered	A vector with strings indicating the variables that are ordered categorical, or set to TRUE to model all variables as ordered categorical.
meanstructure	Logical, should the meanstructure be modeled explicitly?
corinput	Logical, is the input a correlation matrix?
verbose	Logical, should messages be printed?
...	Arguments sent to varcov

### Details

The model used in this family is:

$$\text{var}(\mathbf{y}) = \Sigma$$

$$\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{y}) = \boldsymbol{\mu}$$

in which the covariance matrix can further be modeled in three ways. With type = "chol" as Cholesky decomposition:

$$\Sigma = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L},$$

with type = "prec" as Precision matrix:

$$\Sigma = \mathbf{K}^{-1},$$

and finally with type = "ggm" as Gaussian graphical model:

$$\Sigma = \mathbf{\Delta}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{\Omega})^{-1}\mathbf{\Delta}.$$

### Value

An object of the class psychonetrics

**Author(s)**

Sacha Epskamp

**References**

Epskamp, S., Rhemtulla, M., & Borsboom, D. (2017). Generalized network psychometrics: Combining network and latent variable models. *Psychometrika*, 82(4), 904-927.

**See Also**

[lvm](#), [var1](#), [dlvm1](#)

**Examples**

```
# Load bfi data from psych package:
library("psychTools")
data(bfi)

# Also load dplyr for the pipe operator:
library("dplyr")

# Let's take the agreeableness items, and gender:
ConsData <- bfi %>%
  select(A1:A5, gender) %>%
  na.omit # Let's remove missingness (otherwise use Estimator = "FIML")

# Define variables:
vars <- names(ConsData)[1:5]

# Let's fit an empty GGM:
mod0 <- ggm(ConsData, vars = vars, omega = "empty")

# Run the model:
mod0 <- mod0 %>% runmodel

# We can look at the modification indices:
mod0 %>% MIs

# To automatically add along modification indices, we can use stepup:
mod1 <- mod0 %>% stepup

# Let's also prune all non-significant edges to finish:
mod1 <- mod1 %>% prune

# Look at the fit:
mod1 %>% fit

# Compare to original (baseline) model:
compare(baseline = mod0, adjusted = mod1)

# We can also look at the parameters:
```

```
mod1 %>% parameters  
  
# Or obtain the network as follows:  
getmatrix(mod1, "omega")
```

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