# Package 'sparseinv' 

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## Description

This package creates a wrapper for the SuiteSparse routines in C that use the Takahashi equations to compute the elements of the inverse of a sparse matrix at locations where the (permuted) Cholesky factor is structurally non-zero. The resulting matrix is known as a sparse inverse subset. Some helper functions (like the permuted Cholesky factorisation) are also implemented. Support for spam matrices is currently limited and will be implemented in the future.

```
cholPermute Sparse Cholesky factorisation with fill-in reducing permutations
```


## Description

This function is similar to chol $(\mathrm{A}$, pivot=T) when A is a sparse matrix. The fill-in reduction permutation is the approximate minimum degree permutation of Davis' SuiteSparse package configured to be slightly more aggressive than that in the Matrix package.

## Usage

cholPermute(Q)

## Arguments

Q
precision matrix of class matrix, Matrix (column-compressed, i.e., dgCMatrix or dsCMatrix), or spam

## Value

A list with two elements, Qpermchol (the permuted Cholesky factor) and P (the permutation matrix) of class Matrix. Note that spam matrices are not returned to comply with the Takahashi_Davis function which requires objects of class Matrix.

## References

Havard Rue and Leonhard Held (2005). Gaussian Markov Random Fields: Theory and Applications. Chapman \& Hall/CRC Press

## Examples

```
require(Matrix)
cholPermute(sparseMatrix(i = c(1,1,2,2),
                    j = c(1, 2, 1, 2),
    x = c(0.1, 0.2, 0.2, 1)))
```

```
cholsolve Solve the equation Qx=y
```


## Description

This function is similar to solve $(Q, y)$ but with the added benefit that it allows for permuted matrices. This function does the job in order to minimise user error when attempting to re-permute the matrices prior or after solving. The user also has an option for the permuted Cholesky factorisation of Q to be carried out internally.

## Usage

cholsolve $(\mathrm{Q}=\mathrm{NULL}, \mathrm{y}=\mathrm{NULL}, \mathrm{perm}=\mathrm{FALSE}, \operatorname{chol} \mathrm{Q}=\mathrm{NULL}$, cholQp $=$ NULL, $P=$ NULL)

## Arguments

Q matrix (if of class Matrix needs to be column-compressed, i.e., dgCMatrix or dsCMatrix)), the Cholesky factor of which needs to be found
$y \quad$ matrix with the same number of rows as Q
perm if FLASE no permutation is carried out, if TRUE permuted Cholesky factors are used
cholQ the lower Cholesky factor of Q (if known already)
cholQp the lower Cholesky factor of a permuted Q (if known already)
$P \quad$ the permutation matrix (if known already)

## Value

$x$ solution to $Q x=y$

## References

Havard Rue and Leonhard Held (2005). Gaussian Markov Random Fields: Theory and Applications. Chapman \& Hall/CRC Press

## Examples

```
require(Matrix)
Q = sparseMatrix(i = c(1, 1, 2, 2),
    j = c(1, 2, 1, 2),
    x = c(0.1, 0.2, 0.2, 1))
    y = matrix(c(1, 2), 2, 1)
    cholsolve(Q, y)
```

    cholsolveAQinvAT Solve the equation \(X=A Q^{\wedge}-1 t(A)\) under permutations
    
## Description

This function is a wrapper of solve() for finding $X=A Q^{\wedge}\{-1\} t(A)$ when the permuted Cholesky factor of Q is known. \#'

## Usage

cholsolveAQinvAT $(Q=N U L L, A=N U L L, L p=N U L L, P=N U L L)$

## Arguments

Q matrix (if of class Matrix needs to be column-compressed, i.e., dgCMatrix or dsCMatrix)), the Cholesky factor of which needs to be found
A sparse or dense matrix
Lp the lower Cholesky factor of a permuted Q
$P \quad$ the permutation matrix

## Value

$x$ solution to $X=A Q^{\wedge}\{-1\} t(A)$

## References

Havard Rue and Leonhard Held (2005). Gaussian Markov Random Fields: Theory and Applications. Chapman \& Hall/CRC Press

## Examples

```
require(Matrix)
Q = sparseMatrix(i = c(1, 1, 2, 2),
    j = c(1, 2, 1, 2),
    x = c(0.1, 0.2, 0.2, 1))
X <- cholPermute(Q)
y <- matrix(c(1,2), 2, 1)
A <- y %*% t(y)
cholsolveAQinvAT(Q,A,X$Qpermchol,X$P)
```

densify Densify with explicit zeroes

## Description

This function takes two sparse matrices and returns the first matrix padded with explicit zeros so that it is at least dense (probably denser) than the second matrix. This function only works with matrices of class Matrix \#'

## Usage

densify(A, B)

## Arguments

A
object of class Matrix
B
object of class Matrix

## Value

object of class Matrix

## Examples

```
require(Matrix)
Q1 <- sparseMatrix(i = c(1, 2, 2), j = c(1, 1, 2), x = c(0.1, 0.2, 1))
Q2 <- sparseMatrix(i = c(1, 1, 2, 2),j = c(1, 2, 1, 2), x = c(0.1, 0.3, 0.2, 1))
Q1dens <- densify(Q1, Q2)
Q1
Q1dens
```

symb

Return the symbolic representation of a Matrix

## Description

This function takes an object of class Matrix and returns the same Matrix with all elements replaced with 1 \#'

## Usage

symb (A)

## Arguments

A
object of class Matrix

## Value

object of class Matrix

## Examples

```
require(Matrix)
Q = sparseMatrix(i = c(1, 1, 2, 2),
    j = c(1, 2, 1, 2),
    x = c(0.1, 0.2, 0.2, 1))
Qsymb <- symb(Q)
Qsymb
```

Takahashi_Davis Takahashi equations

## Description

Computes the sparse inverse subset of a sparse matrix $Q$ using the Takahashi equations.

## Usage

Takahashi_Davis( $\mathrm{Q}=\mathrm{NULL}$, cholQp $=$ NULL, return_perm_chol $=0, \mathrm{P}=0$, gc = 0)

## Arguments

Q
precision matrix of class matrix, Matrix (column-compressed, i.e., dgCMatrix or dsCMatrix), or spam
cholQp the Cholesky factor of class dtCMatrix of the permuted Q (if known already). If both $Q$ and cholQp are specified, $Q$ is ignored
return_perm_chol
if 1 , the Cholesky factor of the permuted $Q$ is returned
$P \quad$ the permutation matrix of class dgCMatrix (if known already)
gc do garbage collection throughout (may increase computational time but useful for small memory machines)

## Details

This function first computes the Cholesky factor of Q . The fill-in reduction permutation is the approximate minimum degree permutation (amd) of Timothy Davis' SuiteSparse package configured to be slightly more aggressive than that in the Matrix package. The function then uses the Takahashi equations to compute the variances at the non-zero locations in the Cholesky factor from the factor itself. The equations themselves are implemented in C using the SparseSuite package of Timothy Davis.

## Value

if return_perm_chol $==0$, the sparse inverse subset of Q is returned, where the non-zero elements correspond to those in the Cholesky factor of its permutation. If !(return_perm_chol ==0), a list with three elements is returned: $S$ (the sparse inverse subset), Lp (the Cholesky factor of the permuted matrix) and P (the permutation matrix)

## Note

This package is a wrapper for C functions implemented by Timothy Davis in SuiteSparse. The author of this package has done no work on the sparse inverse routines themselves and any acknowledgment should include one to SuiteSparse (see below for reference). The author of this package was made aware of this methodology by Botond Cseke.

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## Examples

```
require(Matrix)
Q = sparseMatrix(i = c(1, 1, 2, 2),
    j = c(1, 2, 1, 2),
    x = c(0.1, 0.2, 0.2, 1))
X <- cholPermute(Q)
S_partial = Takahashi_Davis(Q, cholQp = X$Qpermchol, P = X$P)
```


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