

# Package: pcev (via r-universe)

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**Title** Principal Component of Explained Variance

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**Description** Principal component of explained variance (PCEV) is a statistical tool for the analysis of a multivariate response vector. It is a dimension- reduction technique, similar to Principal component analysis (PCA), that seeks to maximize the proportion of variance (in the response vector) being explained by a set of covariates.

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pcev-package	<i>pcev: A package for computing principal components of explained variance.</i>
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**Description**

PCEV is a statistical tool for the analysis of a multivariate response vector. It is a dimension-reduction technique, similar to Principal Components Analysis (PCA), which seeks to maximize the proportion of variance (in the response vector) being explained by a set of covariates.

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computePCEV	<i>Principal Component of Explained Variance</i>
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**Description**

computePCEV computes the first PCEV and tests its significance.

**Usage**

```
computePCEV(response, covariate, confounder, estimation = c("all",
  "block", "singular"), inference = c("exact", "permutation"),
  index = "adaptive", shrink = FALSE, nperm = 1000,
  na_action = "fail", Wilks = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

response	A matrix of response variables.
covariate	An array or a data frame of covariates.
confounder	An array or data frame of confounders.
estimation	Character string specifying which estimation method to use: "all", "block" or "singular". Default value is "all".
inference	Character string specifying which inference method to use: "exact" or "permutation". Default value is "exact".
index	Only used if estimation = "block". Default value is "adaptive". See details.
shrink	Should we use a shrinkage estimate of the residual variance? Default value is FALSE.
nperm	The number of permutations to perform if inference = "permutation" or for the Tracy-Widom empirical estimate (if estimation = "singular").

na_action	how NAs are treated. The default is to raise an error. See details.
Wilks	Should we use a Wilks test instead of Roy's largest test? This is only implemented for a single covariate and with estimation = "all".

## Details

This is the main function. It computes the PCEV using either the classical method, block approach or singular. A p-value is also computed, testing the significance of the PCEV.

The p-value is computed using either a permutation approach or an exact test. The implemented exact tests use Wilks' Lambda (only for a single covariate) or Roy's Largest Root. The latter uses Johnstone's approximation to the null distribution. Note that for the block approach, only p-values obtained from a permutation procedure are available.

When estimation = "singular", the p-value is computed using a heuristic: using the method of moments and a small number of permutations (i.e. 25), a location-scale family of the Tracy-Widom distribution of order 1 is fitted to the null distribution. This fitted distribution is then used to compute p-values.

When estimation = "block", there are three different ways of specifying the blocks: 1) if index is a vector of the same length as the number of columns in response, then it is used to match each response to a block. 2) If index is a single positive integer, it is understood as the number of blocks, and each response is matched to a block randomly. 3) If index = "adaptive" (the default), the number of blocks is chosen so that there are about  $n/2$  responses per block, and each response is match to a block randomly. All other values of index should result in an error.

By default, missing values are not allowed. This can be relaxed with na\_action. If na\_action = "omit", then all rows with at least one missing value will be removed from response before computation. If na\_action = "column", then the estimation of the linear model parameters is done column-wise with the non-missing value. This approach maximises the information. Note that missing values are still not allowed in covariate and confounder.

## Value

An object of class Pcev containing the first PCEV, the p-value, the estimate of the shrinkage factor, etc.

## See Also

[estimatePcev](#)

## Examples

```
set.seed(12345)
Y <- matrix(rnorm(100*20), nrow=100)
X <- rnorm(100)
pcev_out <- computePCEV(Y, X)
pcev_out2 <- computePCEV(Y, X, shrink = TRUE)
```

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 estimatePcev

*Estimation of PCEV*


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### Description

estimatePcev estimates the PCEV.

### Usage

```
estimatePcev(pcevObj, ...)

## Default S3 method:
estimatePcev(pcevObj, ...)

## S3 method for class 'PcevClassical'
estimatePcev(pcevObj, shrink, index, ...)

## S3 method for class 'PcevBlock'
estimatePcev(pcevObj, shrink, index, ...)

## S3 method for class 'PcevSingular'
estimatePcev(pcevObj, shrink, index, ...)
```

### Arguments

pcevObj	A pcev object of class PcevClassical, PcevBlock or PcevSingular
...	Extra parameters.
shrink	Should we use a shrinkage estimate of the residual variance?
index	If pcevObj is of class PcevBlock, index is a vector describing the block to which individual response variables correspond.

### Value

A list containing the variance components, the first PCEV, the eigenvalues of  $V_R^{-1}V_M$  and the estimate of the shrinkage parameter  $\rho$

### See Also

[computePCEV](#)

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methylation

*Methylation values around BLK gene*

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### Description

A dataset containing methylation values for cell-separated samples. The methylation was measured using bisulfite sequencing. The data also contains the genomic position of these CpG sites, as well as a binary phenotype (i.e. whether the sample comes from a B cell).

### Usage

methylation

pheno

position

index

pheno2

position2

methylation2

### Format

The data comes in four objects:

**methylation** Matrix of methylation values at 5,986 sites measured on 40 samples

**pheno** Vector of phenotype, indicating whether the sample comes from a B cell

**position** Data frame recording the position of each CpG site along the chromosome

**index** Index vector used in the computation of PCEV-block

**methylation2** Matrix of methylation values at 1000 sites measured on 40 samples

**pheno2** Vector of phenotype, indicating the cell type of the sample (B cell, T cell, or Monocyte)

**position2** Data frame recording the position of each CpG site along the chromosome

### Details

Methylation was first measured at 24,068 sites, on 40 samples. Filtering was performed to keep the 25% most variable sites. See the vignette for more detail.

A second sample of the methylation dataset was extracted. This second dataset contains methylation values at 1000 CpG dinucleotides.

### Source

Tomi Pastinen, McGill University, Genome Quebec.

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PcevObj	<i>Constructor functions for the different pcev objects</i>
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### Description

PcevClassical, PcevBlock and PcevSingular create the pcev objects from the provided data that are necessary to compute the PCEV according to the user's parameters.

### Usage

```
PcevClassical(response, covariate, confounder)
```

```
PcevBlock(response, covariate, confounder)
```

```
PcevSingular(response, covariate, confounder)
```

### Arguments

response	A matrix of response variables.
covariate	A matrix or a data frame of covariates.
confounder	A matrix or data frame of confounders

### Value

A pcev object, of the class that corresponds to the estimation method. These objects are lists that contain the data necessary for computation.

### See Also

[estimatePcev](#), [computePCEV](#)

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permutePval	<i>Permutation p-value</i>
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### Description

Computes a p-value using a permutation procedure.

**Usage**

```

permutePval(pcevObj, ...)

## Default S3 method:
permutePval(pcevObj, ...)

## S3 method for class 'PcevClassical'
permutePval(pcevObj, shrink, index, nperm, ...)

## S3 method for class 'PcevBlock'
permutePval(pcevObj, shrink, index, nperm, ...)

## S3 method for class 'PcevSingular'
permutePval(pcevObj, shrink, index, nperm, ...)

```

**Arguments**

pcevObj	A pcev object of class PcevClassical or PcevSingular PcevBlock
...	Extra parameters.
shrink	Should we use a shrinkage estimate of the residual variance?
index	If pcevObj is of class PcevBlock, index is a vector describing the block to which individual response variables correspond.
nperm	The number of permutations to perform.

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roysPval	<i>Roy's largest root exact test</i>
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**Description**

In the classical domain of PCEV applicability this function uses Johnstone's approximation to the null distribution of ' Roy's Largest Root statistic. It uses a location-scale variant of the Tracy-Widom distribution of order 1.

**Usage**

```

roysPval(pcevObj, ...)

## Default S3 method:
roysPval(pcevObj, ...)

## S3 method for class 'PcevClassical'
roysPval(pcevObj, shrink, index, ...)

## S3 method for class 'PcevSingular'
roysPval(pcevObj, shrink, index, nperm, ...)

```

```
## S3 method for class 'PcevBlock'
roysPval(pcevObj, shrink, index, ...)
```

### Arguments

pcevObj	A pcev object of class PcevClassical or PcevBlock
...	Extra parameters.
shrink	Should we use a shrinkage estimate of the residual variance?
index	If pcevObj is of class PcevBlock, index is a vector describing the block to which individual response variables correspond
nperm	Number of permutations for Tracy-Widom empirical estimate.

### Details

Note that if shrink is set to TRUE, the location-scale parameters are estimated using a small number of permutations.

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wilksPval	<i>Wilks' lambda exact test</i>
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### Description

Computes a p-value using Wilks' Lambda.

### Usage

```
wilksPval(pcevObj, ...)

## Default S3 method:
wilksPval(pcevObj, ...)

## S3 method for class 'PcevClassical'
wilksPval(pcevObj, shrink, index, ...)

## S3 method for class 'PcevSingular'
wilksPval(pcevObj, shrink, index, ...)

## S3 method for class 'PcevBlock'
wilksPval(pcevObj, shrink, index, ...)
```

### Arguments

pcevObj	A pcev object of class PcevClassical or PcevBlock
...	Extra parameters.
shrink	Should we use a shrinkage estimate of the residual variance?
index	If pcevObj is of class PcevBlock, index is a vector describing the block to which individual response variables correspond.



**Details**

The null distribution of this test statistic is only known in the case of a single covariate, and therefore this is the only case implemented.

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