

# Package ‘asm’

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**Description** Performs linear regression with respect to a data-driven convex loss function that is chosen to minimize the asymptotic covariance of the resulting M-estimator. The convex loss function is estimated in 5 steps: (1) form an initial OLS (ordinary least squares) or LAD (least absolute deviation) estimate of the regression coefficients; (2) use the resulting residuals to obtain a kernel estimator of the error density; (3) estimate the score function of the errors by differentiating the logarithm of the kernel density estimate; (4) compute the L2 projection of the estimated score function onto the set of decreasing functions; (5) take a negative antiderivative of the projected score function estimate. Newton's method (with Hessian modification) is then used to minimize the convex empirical risk function. Further details of the method are given in Feng et al. (2024) <[doi:10.48550/arXiv.2403.16688](https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2403.16688)>.

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### Description

Performs linear regression with a data-driven convex loss function

### Usage

```
asm(formula, data = NULL, ...)
```

### Arguments

formula	regression formula
data	input data frame
...	additional arguments for asm.fit

### Value

asm class object containing the following components:

betahat: vector of estimated coefficients  
 std\_errs: vector of standard errors of the estimated coefficients  
 fitted.values: fitted values  
 residuals: residuals  
 zvals: z-values  
 sig\_vals: p-values  
 info\_asm: antitonic information  
 I\_mat: estimated antitonic information matrix  
 Cov\_mat: covariance matrix of the estimated coefficients  
 psi: estimated antitonic score function

### Examples

```
asm(mpg ~ cyl + hp + disp, data=mtcars)
```

asm.fit

*Fit a linear regression model via antitonic score matching***Description**

Performs linear regression via M-estimation with respect to a data-driven convex loss function

**Usage**

```
asm.fit(
  X,
  Y,
  betapilot = "OLS",
  alt_iter = 1,
  intercept.selection = "mean",
  k = 3000,
  max_iter = 65,
  kernel_pts = 2^15,
  bw = "nrd0",
  kernel = "gaussian",
  verbose = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

X	design matrix
Y	response vector
betapilot	initial estimate of the regression coefficients: can be "LAD", "OLS" or a vector of coefficients
alt_iter	number of iterations of the alternating procedure: when alt_iter == 1, this function is equivalent to asm_regression
intercept.selection	mean or median of the residuals if intercept.selection == "median", then the standard error of the intercept estimate is set to NA
k	the density quantile function is evaluated at (0, 1/k, 2/k, ..., 1)
max_iter	maximum number of iterations for the damped Newton–Raphson algorithm when minimizing the convex loss function
kernel_pts	number of points at which the kernel density estimate is evaluated, i.e. the parameter "n" in density()
bw	bandwidth for kernel density estimation i.e. the parameter "bw" in density()
kernel	kernel for kernel density estimation i.e. the parameter "kernel" in density()
verbose	logical; if TRUE, print optimization progress
...	additional arguments to ensure compatibility with generic functions

**Value**

asm class object containing the following components:

betahat: vector of estimated coefficients

std\_errs: vector of standard errors of the estimated coefficients

fitted.values: fitted values

residuals: residuals

zvals: z-values

sig\_vals: p-values

info\_asm: antitonic information

I\_mat: estimated antitonic information matrix

Cov\_mat: asymptotic covariance matrix of the estimated coefficients

psi: estimated antitonic score function

**Examples**

```
n <- 1000 ; d <- 2
X <- matrix(rnorm(n * d), n, d)
Y <- X %*% c(2, 3) + rnorm(n) # no intercept!
asm.fit(X,Y)
```

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coef.asm

*Coefficients of an asm regression model*

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**Description**

Outputs the coefficients of a fitted asm regression model

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'asm'
coef(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	asm object
...	additional arguments to ensure compatibility with the generic function coef()

**Value**

vector of coefficients of the asm regression model

**Examples**

```
model = asm(mpg ~ cyl + hp + disp, data=mtcars)
coef(model)
```

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confint.asm	<i>Confidence intervals for coefficients in an asm regression model</i>
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**Description**

Computes confidence intervals for individual regression coefficients based on a fitted asm regression model

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'asm'  
confint(object, parm, level = 0.95, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	asm object
parm	parameters to calculate confidence intervals
level	confidence level
...	additional arguments to ensure compatibility with the generic function confint()

**Value**

matrix of confidence intervals for the regression coefficients

**Examples**

```
model = asm(mpg ~ cyl + hp + disp, data=mtcars)  
confint(model)
```

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plot.asm	<i>Generate diagnostic plots for an asm regression model</i>
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**Description**

Generates plots of residuals vs fitted values, and the estimated convex loss and antitonic score functions based on a fitted asm regression model

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'asm'
plot(
  x,
  which = c(1, 2, 3),
  caption = list("Residuals vs fitted", "Convex loss function",
    "Antitonic score function"),
  extend.ylim.f = 0.08,
  id.n = 3,
  labels.id = rownames(x$residuals),
  label.pos = c(4, 2),
  ext.xlim.f = 0.08,
  grid.length.f = 10,
  ask = prod(par("mfcol")) < length(which) && dev.interactive(),
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

x	asm object
which	a subset of the plots to be displayed
caption	a list of captions for the plots
extend.ylim.f	factor to extend the y-axis limits for the residuals vs fitted plot
id.n	number of residuals to label in the residuals vs fitted plot
labels.id	labels for the residuals in the residuals vs fitted plot
label.pos	position of the labels in the residuals vs fitted plot
ext.xlim.f	factor to extend the x-axis limits for the convex loss and antitonic score function plots
grid.length.f	the number of grid points for the convex loss plot is defined as grid.length.f * length(x\$residuals)
ask	logical; if TRUE, the user is asked before each plot
...	additional arguments to ensure compatibility with the generic function plot()

**Value**

No return value

**Examples**

```
model = asm(mpg ~ cyl + hp + disp, data=mtcars)
plot(model)
```

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`predict.asm`*Predict new responses using an asm regression model.*

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### Description

Outputs predictions on new test data based on a fitted asm regression model. Also returns a confidence interval around the conditional mean (if `interval = "confidence"`) or predicted response (if `interval = "prediction"`).

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'asm'  
predict(object, newdata = NULL, interval = "none", level = 0.95, ...)
```

### Arguments

<code>object</code>	asm object
<code>newdata</code>	new data frame
<code>interval</code>	type of interval calculation, either "none", "confidence" or "prediction". Default is "none".
<code>level</code>	confidence level
<code>...</code>	additional arguments to ensure compatibility with the generic function <code>predict()</code>

### Value

matrix of predicted values \* if `interval = "none"`, the matrix has one column of predicted values \* if `interval = "confidence"` or `"prediction"`, the matrix has three columns: predicted value, lower bound, and upper bound

### Examples

```
model = asm(mpg ~ cyl + hp + disp, data=mtcars)  
predict(model, newdata = data.frame(cyl = 4, hp = 121, disp = 80), interval = "prediction")  
  
n <- 1000  
X <- rnorm(n)  
beta <- 2  
Y <- beta*X + rt(n,df=3)  
Mod <- asm(Y ~ X)  
predict(Mod, newdata = data.frame(X = 1), interval = "prediction")
```

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`print.asm`*Short description of a fitted asm regression model*

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**Description**

Outputs estimated coefficients and standard errors

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'asm'  
print(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	asm object
<code>...</code>	additional arguments to ensure compatibility with the generic function <code>print()</code>

**Value**

No return value, called for its side effect

**Examples**

```
model = asm(mpg ~ cyl + hp + disp, data=mtcars)  
print(model)
```

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`print.summary.asm`*Print summary of the asm regression model*

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**Description**

Prints the summary of a fitted asm regression model

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'summary.asm'  
print(  
  x,  
  digits = max(3L, getOption("digits") - 3L),  
  signif.stars = getOption("show.signif.stars"),  
  concise = FALSE,  
  ...  
)
```



**Arguments**

x	summary.asm object
digits	number of digits to print
signif.stars	logical; if TRUE, 'significance stars' are printed
concise	logical; if TRUE, the output is concise
...	additional arguments to ensure compatibility with the generic function print()

**Value**

No return value

**Examples**

```
model = asm(mpg ~ cyl + hp + disp, data=mtcars)
print(summary(model))
```

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residuals.asm	<i>Residuals from an asm regression model</i>
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**Description**

Outputs the residuals (on the training data) from a fitted asm regression model

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'asm'
residuals(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	asm object
...	additional arguments to ensure compatibility with the generic function residuals()

**Value**

vector of residuals from the asm regression model

**Examples**

```
model = asm(mpg ~ cyl + hp + disp, data=mtcars)
residuals(model)
```

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`summary.asm`*Summary of an asm regression model*

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**Description**

Outputs estimated coefficients, standard errors and p-values based on a fitted asm regression model

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'asm'  
summary(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>object</code>	asm object
<code>...</code>	additional arguments to ensure compatibility with the generic function <code>summary()</code>

**Value**

`summary.asm` class object containing the following components:

**coefficients:** estimated coefficients, standard errors, z-values and p-values

**residuals:** residuals of the fitted model

**call:** call to the asm function

**Examples**

```
model = asm(mpg ~ cyl + hp + disp, data=mtcars)  
summary(model)
```

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