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| fhc | <i>Fast Hill-Climbing</i> |
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Description

The function for the causal structure learning.

Usage

```
fhc(D, G = NULL, min_increase = 0.01, score_type = "bic", file = "",  
    verbose = TRUE, save_model = FALSE, bw = "nrd0", booster = "gbtree",  
    gamma = 10, nrounds = 30, ...)
```

## Arguments

|              |                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| D            | Input Data.                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| G            | An initial graph for hill climbing. Default: empty graph.                                                                                                                                          |
| min_increase | Minimum score increase for faster convergence.                                                                                                                                                     |
| score_type   | You can choose "bic", "log", "aic" score to learn the causal struture. Default: bic                                                                                                                |
| file         | Specifies the output folder and its path to save the model at each iteration.                                                                                                                      |
| verbose      | Show the progress bar for each iteration.                                                                                                                                                          |
| save_model   | Save the meta data during the iteration so that you can easily restore progress and evaluate the model during iteration.                                                                           |
| bw           | the smoothing bandwidth which is the parameter of the function stats::density(Kernel stats::density Estimation)                                                                                    |
| booster      | Choose the regression method, it could be "lm", "gbtree" and "gblinear". The "lm" and "gblinear" is the linear regression methods and "gbtree" is the nonlinear regression method. Default: gbtree |
| gamma        | The parameter in xgboost: minimum loss reduction required to make a further partition on a leaf node of the tree. the larger, the more conservative the algorithm will be.                         |
| nrounds      | the maximum number of trees for xgboost.Default:30.                                                                                                                                                |
| ...          | other parameters for xgboost.see also: help(xgboost)                                                                                                                                               |

## Value

The adjacency matrix of the casual structure.

## Examples

```
## Not run:
#x->y->z
set.seed(0)
x=rnorm(4000)
y=x^2+runif(4000,-1,1)*0.1
z=y^2+runif(4000,-1,1)*0.1
data=data.frame(x,y,z)
fhc(data,gamma=10,booster = "gbtree")

#x->y->z linear data
set.seed(0)
x=rnorm(4000)
y=3*x+runif(4000,-1,1)*0.1
z=3*y+runif(4000,-1,1)*0.1
data=data.frame(x,y,z)
fhc(data,booster = "lm")

#randomGraph with linear data

set.seed(0)
G=randomGraph(dim=10,indegree=1.5)
```

```
data=synthetic_data_linear(G=G,sample_num=4000)
fitG=fhc(data,booster = "lm")
indicators(fitG,G)

## End(Not run)
```

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| indicators | <i>Calculate the f1,precision,recall score of the graph</i> |
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### Description

Calculate the f1,precision,recall score of the graph

### Usage

```
indicators(pred, real)
```

### Arguments

|      |                 |
|------|-----------------|
| pred | Predicted graph |
| real | Real graph      |

### Value

f1,precision,recall score.

### Examples

```
pred<-matrix(c(0,0,0,0,1,0,1,1,0),nrow=3,ncol=3)
real<-matrix(c(0,0,0,0,1,0,1,0,0),nrow=3,ncol=3)
indicators(pred,real)
```

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| mmpcAnm | <i>mmpc algorithm with additive noise model</i> |
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### Description

The nonlinear data comparison algorithm. We use the mmpc algorithm to learn a causal skeleton and use ANM to recognize the direction

### Usage

```
mmpcAnm(data)
```

### Arguments

|      |          |
|------|----------|
| data | The data |
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| randomGraph | <i>Generate a random graph</i> |
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**Description**

Generate a random graph based on the given dimension size and average indegree

**Usage**

```
randomGraph(dim, indegree, maxite = 10000)
```

**Arguments**

|          |                                                     |
|----------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| dim      | The dimension of the random graph                   |
| indegree | The average indegree of random graph for each nodes |
| maxite   | The maximum iterations to find the random graph     |

**Value**

Return a random graph

**Examples**

```
randomGraph(dim=10, indegree=1)
```

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| synthetic_data_linear | <i>synthetic linear data base on the graph</i> |
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**Description**

Synthetic linear data base on the graph. The noises are sampled from the super-gaussian distribution. The coefficients are sample from  $U(-1, -0.5)$ ,  $U(0.5, 1)$

**Usage**

```
synthetic_data_linear(G, sample_num, ratio = 1, return_noise = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

|              |                                                               |
|--------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| G            | An adjacency matrix.                                          |
| sample_num   | The number of samples                                         |
| ratio        | The noise ratio It will grow or shrink the value of the noise |
| return_noise | Whether return the noise of each nodes for further analysis.  |

**Value**

Return a synthetic data

**Examples**

```
G<-matrix(c(0,1,1,1,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0),nrow = 4,ncol = 4)
data=synthetic_data_linear(G,100)
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| synthetic_data_nonlinear                          |
| <i>synthetic nonlinear data base on the graph</i> |

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**Description**

synthetic nonlinear data base on the graph. The data generation mechanism is  $y=scale(a1b1x^2+a2b2x^3+a3b3x^4+a4b4sin(x))$

**Usage**

```
synthetic_data_nonlinear(G, sample_num, ratio = 1, return_noise = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

|              |                                                                 |
|--------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| G            | An adjacency matrix.                                            |
| sample_num   | The number of samples                                           |
| ratio        | The noise ratio. It will grow or shrink the value of the noise. |
| return_noise | Whether return the noise of each nodes for further analysis.    |

**Value**

Return a synthetic data

**Examples**

```
G<-matrix(c(0,1,1,1,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0),nrow = 4,ncol = 4)
data=synthetic_data_nonlinear(G,100)
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