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Description

Arbyn et al. (2013) performed a Cochrane review on the accuracy of human papillomavirus testing (HC2)and repeat cytology (RepC) to triage of women with an equivocal Pap smear to diagnose cervical precancer.

Usage

data(ascus)

Format

A data frame of 20 observations and six variables:

StudyID Study identifier

Test Type of diagnostic test

TP Number of true positives

FN number of false negatives

TN number of true negatives

FP number of false positives

References

Arbyn M, Roelens J, Simoens C, Buntinx F, Paraskevaidis E, Martin-Hirsch PPL, Prendiville W (2013). Human Papillomavirus Testing Versus Repeat Cytology for Triage of Minor Cytological Cervical Lesions." Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews, pp. 31-201.

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cdtafit-class

Class cdtafit

Description

A cdtafit class in the CopulaDTA package.

Slots

data a data-frame with no missing values containg TP, TN, FP, FN, 'SID' and co-varaiables(if necessary).

SID A string indicating the name of the column with the study identifier.

copula copula function, 'fgm', 'gauss', 'c90', '270', or 'frank'.

modelargs list containing control parameters for the prior distributions.

fit an object of class stanfit returned by the function sampling.

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See Also

fit

Other cdta: cdtamodel-class

cdtamodel

Specify the copula based bivariate beta-binomial distribution to fit to the diagnostic data.

Description

Specify the copula based bivariate beta-binomial distribution to fit to the diagnostic data.

Usage

```
cdtamodel(copula, modelargs = list())
```

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Arguments

copula

a description of the copula function used to model the correlation between sensitivity and specificty. This is a string naming the copula function. The choices are "fgm", "frank", "gauss", "c90" and "c270".

modelargs

a (optional) list of control parameter for the prior distributions. The parameters in the list include:

- formula.se An object of class "formula": A symbolic description of a linear model to be fitted to mean E(x) of sensitivity in the logit scale. the default (when no covariates are included) symbolic description is SID ~ 1 corresponds to the model formula E(x) = mu = exp(a)/(1 + exp(a)) where a is the intercept. When the covariates are categorical and the relative measures are needed it is important to remove the interecept from the model to obtain meaningful parameters. EG for a covariate 'Test' with two levels(A and B) and relative sensitivity of B versus A is needed, then the correct formula is SID ~ Test 1 or SID ~ Test + 0. See formula. For further information on interpretation of parameters in logistic regression see Agresti A(2002) Chapter 5.
- formula.sp An object of class "formula": A symbolic description of a linear model to be fitted to specificity data. By default the covariate information for sensitivity is used.
- formula.omega An object of class "formula": A symbolic description of a linear model to be fitted to the copula function. By default the covariate information for sensitivity is used.
- transform.omega A logical value indicating whether a constrained correlation parameter should be mapped into an non-constrained scale. This applies to all the allowed copula functions except "frank". The default is TRUE.
- param indication of the parameterisation used to map the marginal mean and precision/dispersion to the alpha and beta parameters of the beta distribution. There are two choices: param=1 which uses

$$alpha = mu * phi, beta = (1 - mu) * phi$$

where

$$mu = alpha/(alpha + beta), 0 \le mu \le 1,$$

and

$$phi = alpha + beta, phi >= 0.$$

param=2 uses

$$alpha = ((1 - phi)/phi) * mu$$
$$beta = ((1 - phi)/phi) * (1 - mu)$$

where

$$mu = alpha/(alpha + beta); 0 \le mu \le 1,$$

and

$$phi = 1/(1 + alpha + beta); 0 \le phi \le 1.$$

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• prior.lseA description of prior distribution of the marginal mean sensitivity in the logit scale. The default is "normal" distribution. For other distributions see stan documentation at http://mc-stan.org/documentation/.

- par.lse1A numeric value indicating the location of the prior distribution of the marginal mean sensitivity in the logit scale. The default is 0 which implying a distribution centered around 0.5 in the 0-1 scale.
- par.lse2A numeric value indicating the spread(standard deviation) pf the prior distribution of the marginal mean sensitivity in the logit scale and can be interpreted as the quantity of prior information. vague and non-informative priors are specified by a distribution with large variance. The default is sd=10 implying that the variance is 100.
- prior.lspA description of prior distribution of the marginal mean specificity in the logit scale. The default is "normal" distribution.
- par.lsp1A numeric value indicating the location of the prior distribution of the marginal mean specificity in the logit scale. The default is 0 which implying a distribution centered around 0.5 in the 0-1 scale.
- par.lsp2A numeric value indicating the spread(standard deviation) pf the prior distribution of the marginal mean specificity in the logit scale and can be interpreted as the quantity of prior information. vague and non-informative priors are specified by a distribution with large variance. The default is sd=10 implying that the variance is 100.
- prior.omegaA description of prior distribution of the correlation parameter(s). The default is "normal" distribution since "transform.omega=TRUE".
 When "transform.omega=FALSE" the candidate prior distributions are U[-1, 1] for fgm and gaussian copulas, and half-cauchy(0, 2.5), gamma(0.001, 0.001) for the C90 and C270.
- par.omega1A numeric value indicating the location of the prior distribution of the correlation parameter(s). The default is 0.
- par.omega2A numeric value indicating the scale/spread(standard deviation) of the prior distribution of the correlation parameter(s). The default is sd=10.

Value

An object of cdtamodel class.

Author(s)

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References

Nyaga VN, Arbyn M, Aerts M (2017). CopulaDTA: An R Package for Copula-Based Beta-Binomial Models for Diagnostic Test Accuracy Studies in a Bayesian Framework. Journal of Statistical Software, 82(1), 1-27. doi:10.18637/jss.v082.c01

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Sklar A (1959). Fonctions de Repartition a n Dimensions et Leurs Marges. Publications de l'Institut de Statistique de L'Universite de Paris, 8, 229-231.

Examples

cdtamodel-class

Class cdtamodel

Description

A cdtamodel class in the CopulaDTA package.

Slots

```
copula copula function, 'fgm', 'gauss', 'c90', '270', or 'frank'.

modelcode character with the model code as returned by the model function

modelargs list containing control parameters for the prior distributions
```

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See Also

cdtamodel

Other cdta: cdtafit-class

fit

A function to fit the model.

Description

A function to fit the model.

Usage

```
fit(object, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'cdtamodel'
fit(object, data, SID, cores = 3, chains = 3,
  iter = 6000, warmup = 1000, thin = 10, ...)
```

Arguments

object	A cdtamodel object created by cdtamodel function.
	Other optional parameters as specified in stan.
data	A data-frame with no missing values containg TP, TN, FP, FN, 'SID' and covaraiables(if necessary).
SID	A string indicating the name of the column with the study identifier.
cores	A positive numeric values specifying the number of cores to use to execute parallel sampling. When the hardware has more at least 4 cores, the default is 3 cores and otherwise 1 core.
chains	A positive numeric value specifying the number of chains, default is 3.
iter	A positive numeric value specifying the number of iterations per chain. The default is 6000.
warmup	A positive numeric value (<iter) 1000.<="" be="" default="" discarded(burn-in="" is="" iterations="" number="" of="" specifying="" td="" the="" to="" warm-up).=""></iter)>
thin	A positive numeric value specifying the interval in which the samples are stored. The default is 10.

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fit.cdtamodel	Fit copula based bivariate beta-binomial distribution to diagnostic data.
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Description

Fit copula based bivariate beta-binomial distribution to diagnostic data.

Usage

```
fit.cdtamodel(cdtamodel, data, SID, cores = 3, chains = 3, iter = 6000,
  warmup = 1000, thin = 10, ...)
```

Arguments

cdtamodel	An object of cdtamodel class from cdtamodel.
data	A data-frame with no missing values containg TP, TN, FP, FN, 'SID' and covaraiables(if necessary).
SID	A string indicating the name of the column with the study identifier.
cores	A positive numeric values specifying the number of cores to use to execute parallel sampling. When the hardware has more at least 4 cores, the default is 3 cores and otherwise 1 core.
chains	A positive numeric value specifying the number of chains, default is 3.
iter	A positive numeric value specifying the number of iterations per chain. The default is 6000.
warmup	A positive numeric value ($<$ iter) specifying the number of iterations to be discarded(burn-in/warm-up). The default is 1000.
thin	A positive numeric value specifying the interval in which the samples are stored. The default is 10.
	Other optional parameters as specified in stan.

Value

An object of cdtafit class.

Author(s)

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References

Nyaga VN, Arbyn M, Aerts M (2017). CopulaDTA: An R Package for Copula-Based Beta-Binomial Models for Diagnostic Test Accuracy Studies in a Bayesian Framework. Journal of Statistical Software, 82(1), 1-27. doi:10.18637/jss.v082.c01

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Sklar A (1959). Fonctions de Repartition a n Dimensions et Leurs Marges. Publications de l'Institut de Statistique de L'Universite de Paris, 8, 229-231.

```
data(telomerase)
model1 <- cdtamodel(copula = 'fgm')</pre>
model2 <- cdtamodel(copula = 'fgm',</pre>
                modelargs=list(param=2,
                                prior.lse='normal',
                                 par.lse1=0,
                                 par.1se2=5,
                                prior.lsp='normal',
                                par.1sp1=0,
                                par.1sp2=5))
model3 <- cdtamodel(copula = 'fgm',</pre>
                modelargs = list(formula.se = StudyID ~ Test - 1))
## Not run:
fit1 <- fit(model1,
                 SID='ID',
                 data=telomerase,
                 iter=2000,
                 warmup=1000,
                 thin=1,
                 seed=3)
fit2 <- fit(model2,</pre>
```

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```
SID='StudyID',
data=ascus,
iter=2000,
warmup=1000,
thin=1,
seed=3)
## End(Not run)
```

forestplot.cdtafit

Produce forest plots for categorical covariates.

Description

Produce forest plots for categorical covariates.

Usage

```
forestplot.cdtafit(x, title.1 = NULL, title.2 = NULL, title.3 = NULL,
  graph = NULL, width = 0.2, shape.1 = 19, size.1 = 2.5, shape.2 = 8,
  size.2 = 2.5, shape.0 = 9, size.0 = 3.5, cols.1 = NULL,
  cols.2 = NULL, digits = 3, ...)
```

Arguments

X	A cdtafit object from fit.
title.1	An optional string indicating the title of graph 1.
title.2	An optional string indicating the title of graph 2.
title.3	An optional string indicating the title of graph 3.
graph	An optional numeric value indicating which forest to plot(s) to graph. Valid values are:0 - for no graph, 1 - yielding a forest plot of the sensitivity and specificity with a 95 percent exact confidence intervals, 2 - yielding a forest plot of the posterior study-specific sensitivity and specificity and the marginal mean sensitivy and specificity and their corresponding 95 percent credible intervals, 3 - yielding a combination of 1 and 2 in one plot, and NULL(default) - yielding plots of 1, 2 and 3.
width	An optional numeric value to adjust the dogding position. The default is 0.2.
shape.1	An optional numeric value(0-255) indicating the symbol to plot in graph 1. The defualt is 19 which is a solid circle. See points for more details.
size.1	An optional positive numeric value indicating the size of symbols in graph 1. The defualt is 2.5 .
shape.2	An optional numeric value(0-255) indicating the symbol to plot in graph 2. The defualt is 8 which is a star. See points for more details.

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Shape.0 An optional numeric value(0-255) indicating the symbol representing the posterior marginal mean in graph 2. The defualt is 19 which is a solid circle. See points for more details. Size.0 An optional numeric value indicating the size of symbols representing the posterior marginal means in graph 2. cols.1 An optional string vector specifying colours of shapes in graph 1. cols.2 An optional string vector specifying colours of shapes in graph 2. digits An optional positive value to control the number of digits to print when printing numeric values. The default is 3. other stan options.	size.2	An optional positive numeric value indicating the size of symbols in graph 2. The defualt is 2.5.
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numeric values. The default is 3.	cols.2	An optional string vector specifying colours of shapes in graph 2.
other stan options.	digits	
		other stan options.

Value

forestplots by ggplot2.

Author(s)

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References

Watanabe S (2010). Asymptotic Equivalence of Bayes Cross Validation and Widely Applicable Information Criterion in Singular Learning Theory. Journal of Machine Learning Research, 11, 3571-3594.

Vehtari A, Gelman A (2014). WAIC and Cross-validation in Stan. Unpublished, pp. 1-14.

```
data(telomerase)
model1 = cdtamodel(copula = 'fgm')
model2 = cdtamodel(copula = 'fgm',
               modelargs=list(param=2,
                              prior.lse='normal',
                              par.lse1=0,
                              par.lse2=5,
                              prior.lsp='normal',
                              par.lsp1=0,
                              par.1sp2=5))
model3 = cdtamodel(copula = 'fgm',
               modelargs = list(formula.se = StudyID ~ Test - 1))
## Not run:
fit1 <- fit(model1,</pre>
                SID='ID',
                data=telomerase,
                iter=2000,
```

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```
warmup=1000,
    thin=1,
    seed=3)

plot(fit1)
## End(Not run)
```

plot

A function to produce forest plots.

Description

A function to produce forest plots.

Usage

```
plot(object, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'cdtafit'
plot(object, title.1 = NULL, title.2 = NULL,
   title.3 = NULL, graph = NULL, width = 0.2, shape.1 = 19,
   size.1 = 2.5, shape.2 = 8, size.2 = 2.5, shape.0 = 9, size.0 = 3.5,
   cols.1 = NULL, cols.2 = NULL, digits = 3, ...)
```

Arguments

object	A cdtafit object from fit.
	other stan options.
title.1	An optional string indicating the title of graph 1.
title.2	An optional string indicating the title of graph 2.
title.3	An optional string indicating the title of graph 3.
graph	An optional numeric value indicating which forest to plot(s) to graph. Valid values are:0 - for no graph, 1 - yielding a forest plot of the sensitivity and specificity with a 95 percent exact confidence intervals, 2 - yielding a forest plot of the posterior study-specific sensitivity and specificity and the marginal mean sensitivy and specificity and their corresponding 95 percent credible intervals, 3 - yielding a combination of 1 and 2 in one plot, and NULL(default) - yielding plots of 1, 2 and 3.
width	An optional numeric value to adjust the dogding position. The default is 0.2.
shape.1	An optional numeric value(0-255) indicating the symbol to plot in graph 1. The defualt is 19 which is a solid circle. See points for more details.
size.1	An optional positive numeric value indicating the size of symbols in graph 1. The defualt is 2.5.

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shape.2	An optional numeric value(0-255) indicating the symbol to plot in graph 2. The defualt is 8 which is a star. See points for more details.
size.2	An optional positive numeric value indicating the size of symbols in graph 2. The defualt is 2.5.
shape.0	An optional numeric value(0-255) indicating the symbol representing the posterior marginal mean in graph 2. The defualt is 19 which is a solid circle. See points for more details.
size.0	An optional numeric value indicating the size of symbols representing the posterior marginal means in graph 2.
cols.1	An optional string vector specifying colours of shapes in graph 1.
cols.2	An optional string vector specifying colours of shapes in graph 2.
digits	An optional positive value to control the number of digits to print when printing numeric values. The default is 3.

print.cdtafit

Print a summary of the fitted model.

Description

Print a summary of the fitted model.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'cdtafit'
print(x, digits = 3, ...)
```

Arguments

X	An edtafit object from fit.
digits	An optional positive value to control the number of digits to print when printing numeric values. The default is 3.
	other stan options.

Value

The posterior mean and 95 percent credible intervals, n_eff, Rhat and WAIC.

Author(s)

Victoria N Nyaga

References

Watanabe S (2010). Asymptotic Equivalence of Bayes Cross Validation and Widely Applicable Information Criterion in Singular Learning Theory. Journal of Machine Learning Research, 11, 3571-3594.

Vehtari A, Gelman A (2014). WAIC and Cross-validation in Stan. Unpublished, pp. 1-14.

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Examples

```
data(telomerase)
model1 <- cdtamodel(copula = 'fgm')</pre>
model2 <- cdtamodel(copula = 'fgm',</pre>
                modelargs=list(param=2,
                                prior.lse='normal',
                                par.lse1=0,
                                par.1se2=5,
                                prior.lsp='normal',
                                par.1sp1=0,
                                par.1sp2=5))
model3 <- cdtamodel(copula = 'fgm',</pre>
                modelargs = list(formula.se = StudyID ~ Test - 1))
## Not run:
fit1 <- fit(model1,</pre>
                 SID='ID',
                 data=telomerase,
                 iter=2000,
                 warmup=1000,
                 thin=1,
                 seed=3)
print(fit1)
## End(Not run)
```

summary.cdtafit

Function to generate a summary a cdtafit object.

Description

Function to generate a summary a cdtafit object.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'cdtafit'
summary(object, digits = 3, ...)
```

Arguments

object An object from fit.

digits An optional positive value to control the number of digits to print when printing numeric values.

other stan options.

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Value

The posterior mean and 95 percent credible intervals, n_eff, Rhat and WAIC.

Author(s)

Victoria N Nyaga

References

Nyaga VN, Arbyn M, Aerts M (2017). CopulaDTA: An R Package for Copula-Based Beta-Binomial Models for Diagnostic Test Accuracy Studies in a Bayesian Framework. Journal of Statistical Software, 82(1), 1-27. doi:10.18637/jss.v082.c01

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```
data(telomerase)
model1 <- cdtamodel(copula = 'fgm')</pre>
model2 <- cdtamodel(copula = 'fgm',</pre>
                modelargs=list(param=2,
                                prior.lse='normal',
                                 par.lse1=0,
                                 par.1se2=5,
                                 prior.lsp='normal',
                                 par.1sp1=0,
                                 par.1sp2=5))
model3 <- cdtamodel(copula = 'fgm',</pre>
                modelargs = list(formula.se = StudyID ~ Test - 1))
## Not run:
fit1 <- fit(model1,</pre>
                 SID='ID',
                 data=telomerase,
                 iter=2000,
                 warmup=1000,
                 thin=1,
                 seed=3)
ss <- summary(fit1)</pre>
## End(Not run)
```

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telomerase

Telomerase dataset

Description

Glas et al. (2003) systematically reviewed the sensitivity and specificity of cytology and other markers including telomerase for primary diagnosis of bladder cancer.

Usage

```
data(telomerase)
```

Format

A data frame of ten observations and five variables:

ID Study identifier

TP Number of true positives

FN number of false negatives

TN number of true negatives

FP number of false positives

References

Glas AS, Roos D, Deutekom M, Zwinderman AH, Bossuyt PMM, Kurth KH (2003). Tumor Markers in the Diagnosis of Primary Bladder Cancer. A Systematic Review. The Journal of Urology, 169(6), 1975-1982.

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traceplot

A function to produce traceplots.

Description

A function to produce traceplots.

A function to produce traceplots.

Usage

```
traceplot(object, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'cdtafit'
traceplot(object, ...)
```

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Arguments

object	A cdtafit object from fit
	Extra optional arguments as defined in stan_trace.

traceplot.cdtafit

Trace plot using ggplot2.

Description

Trace plot using ggplot2.

Usage

```
traceplot.cdtafit(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x An edtafit object from fit.

... additional options. See stan_trace for more details.

Value

A ggplot object of the parameters of the models mean structure.

Author(s)

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References

Nyaga VN, Arbyn M, Aerts M (2017). CopulaDTA: An R Package for Copula-Based Beta-Binomial Models for Diagnostic Test Accuracy Studies in a Bayesian Framework. Journal of Statistical Software, 82(1), 1-27. doi:10.18637/jss.v082.c01

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```
model3 <- cdtamodel(copula = 'fgm',</pre>
               modelargs = list(formula.se = StudyID ~ Test - 1))
## Not run:
fit1 <- fit(model1,</pre>
                SID='ID',
                data=telomerase,
                iter=2000,
                warmup=1000,
                thin=1,
                seed=3)
traceplot(fit1)
traceplot(fit1) +
theme(axis.text.x = element_text(size=10, colour='black'),
      axis.text.y = element_text(size=10, colour='black'),
      axis.title.x = element_text(size=10, colour='black'),
      strip.text = element_text(size = 10, colour='black'),
      axis.title.y= element_text(size=10, angle=0, colour='black'),
      strip.text.y = element_text(size = 10, colour='black'),
      strip.text.x = element_text(size = 10, colour='black'),
      plot.background = element_rect(fill = "white", colour='white'),
      panel.grid.major = element_blank(),
      panel.background = element_blank(),
      strip.background = element_blank(),
      axis.line.x = element_line(color = 'black'),
      axis.line.y = element_line(color = 'black'))
## End(Not run)
```

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