

Package ‘CWGEE’

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Type Package

Title Cluster weighted generalized estimating equations for clustered longitudinal data with informative cluster size

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Description This package includes functions to fit a model using cluster weighted generalized estimating equations (CWGEE) for clustered longitudinal data with informative cluster size (ICS). For ordinal outcomes, use the function `ordCWGEE`. Function for binary outcomes is coming soon. A simulated example data set (`perio`) is available.

Depends R (>= 3.1.1), geepack, gee, MASS

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URL <https://github.com/AyaMitani/CWGEE/>

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<code>ordCWGEE</code>	<i>Cluster weighted GEE for ordinal clustered longitudinal data with informative cluster size.</i>
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Description

Solves the generalized estimating equations for correlated ordinal responses in clustered longitudinal data assuming a cumulative link logit model for the marginal probabilities using the method of quasi-least squares.

Usage

```
ordCWGEE(formula, data, id, cluster.var, time.var, time.str)
```

Arguments

<code>formula</code>	a formula expression as for other regression models.
<code>data</code>	an optional data frame containing the variables provided in <code>formula</code> , <code>id</code> , <code>cluster.var</code> and <code>time.var</code> .
<code>id</code>	a vector that identifies the clusters.
<code>cluster.var</code>	a vector that identifies the unit within a cluster.
<code>time.var</code>	a vector that identifies the repeated observation of a unit.
<code>time.str</code>	a character string that indicates the temporal working correlation structure. Options include "ind" for independence, "ar1" for AR1, and "exch" for exchangeable.

Details

The data must be provided in case level or equivalently in 'long' format.

Value

Returns an object of the class "cwgee". This has components:

<code>call</code>	the matched call.
<code>coefficients</code>	the estimated regression parameter vector of the marginal model.
<code>coef.names</code>	the variable name of the coefficients.
<code>robust.variance</code>	the estimated "robust" covariance matrix.
<code>robust.se</code>	the estimated "robust" standard errors.
<code>wald.chisq</code>	the Wald Chi-square test statistic for coefficient estimates.
<code>p.value</code>	the p-value based on a Wald Chi-square test statistic that no covariates are statistically significant.
<code>alpha</code>	the estimated temporal correlation coefficient.
<code>niter</code>	the number of iterations the model took to converge.
<code>time.str</code>	the temporal working correlation structure assumed for the model.

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Examples

```
data(perio)
fitmod <- ordCWGEE(formula = cal ~ mets + edu + age + smoking, data = perio,
id = subject, cluster.var = tooth, time.var = visit, time.str = "ind")
summary(fitmod)
```

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