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# Description

Estimate Standardized Regression Coefficients and the Corresponding Sampling Covariance Matrix

#### Usage

```
BetaDelta(object, type = "mvn", alpha = c(0.05, 0.01, 0.001))
```

Sampling Covariance Matrix

#### Arguments

object Object of class lm.

type Character string. If type = "mvn", use the multivariate normal-theory approach. If type = "adf", use the asymptotic distribution-free approach.

alpha Numeric vector. Significance level  $\alpha$ .

#### Value

Returns an object of class betadelta which is a list with the following elements:

call Function call.

args Function arguments.

lm\_process Processed 1m object.

gamma Asymptotic covariance matrix of the sample covariance matrix.

acov Asymptotic covariance matrix of the standardized slopes.

vcov Sampling covariance matrix of the standardized slopes.

est Vector of standardized slopes.

### Author(s)

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#### References

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#### See Also

Other Beta Delta Functions: DiffBetaDelta()

#### **Examples**

```
object <- lm(QUALITY ~ NARTIC + PCTGRT + PCTSUPP, data = nas1982)
std <- BetaDelta(object)
# Methods ------
print(std)
summary(std)
coef(std)
vcov(std)
confint(std, level = 0.95)</pre>
```

coef.betadelta

Standardized Regression Slopes

#### **Description**

Standardized Regression Slopes

# Usage

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

# Arguments

```
object Object of class betadelta.
... additional arguments.
```

#### Value

Returns a vector of standardized regression slopes.

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#### Author(s)

Ivan Jacob Agaloos Pesigan

#### **Examples**

```
object <- lm(QUALITY ~ NARTIC + PCTGRT + PCTSUPP, data = nas1982)
std <- BetaDelta(object)
coef(std)</pre>
```

coef.diffbetadelta

Differences of Standardized Regression Slopes

#### **Description**

Differences of Standardized Regression Slopes

# Usage

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

#### **Arguments**

object Object of class diffbetadelta.
... additional arguments.

# Value

Returns a vector of differences of standardized regression slopes.

#### Author(s)

Ivan Jacob Agaloos Pesigan

```
object <- lm(QUALITY ~ NARTIC + PCTGRT + PCTSUPP, data = nas1982)
std <- BetaDelta(object)
diff <- DiffBetaDelta(std)
coef(diff)</pre>
```

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Confidence Intervals for Standardized Regression Slopes

# Description

Confidence Intervals for Standardized Regression Slopes

#### Usage

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

# Arguments

object Object of class betadelta.

parm a specification of which parameters are to be given confidence intervals, either

a vector of numbers or a vector of names. If missing, all parameters are consid-

ered.

level the confidence level required.

... additional arguments.

#### Value

Returns a matrix of confidence intervals.

#### Author(s)

Ivan Jacob Agaloos Pesigan

```
object <- lm(QUALITY ~ NARTIC + PCTGRT + PCTSUPP, data = nas1982)
std <- BetaDelta(object)
confint(std, level = 0.95)</pre>
```

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 ${\it confint.diffbetadelta} \ \ {\it Confidence\ Intervals\ for\ Differences\ of\ Standardized\ Regression} \\ Slopes$ 

# Description

Confidence Intervals for Differences of Standardized Regression Slopes

#### Usage

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

# **Arguments**

object Object of class diffbetadelta.

parm a specification of which parameters are to be given confidence intervals, either

a vector of numbers or a vector of names. If missing, all parameters are consid-

ered.

level the confidence level required.

... additional arguments.

#### Value

Returns a matrix of confidence intervals.

# Author(s)

Ivan Jacob Agaloos Pesigan

```
object <- lm(QUALITY ~ NARTIC + PCTGRT + PCTSUPP, data = nas1982)
std <- BetaDelta(object)
diff <- DiffBetaDelta(std)
confint(diff)</pre>
```

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DiffBetaDelta	Estimate Differences of Standardized Slopes and the Corresponding Sampling Covariance Matrix
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#### **Description**

Estimate Differences of Standardized Slopes and the Corresponding Sampling Covariance Matrix

#### Usage

```
DiffBetaDelta(object, alpha = c(0.05, 0.01, 0.001))
```

# Arguments

Object of class betadelta, that is, the output of the BetaDelta() function.

alpha Numeric vector. Significance level  $\alpha$ .

#### Value

Returns an object of class diffbetadelta which is a list with the following elements:

call Function call.

fit The argument object.

**args** Function arguments.

vcov Sampling covariance matrix of differences of standardized slopes.

est Vector of differences of standardized slopes.

#### Author(s)

Ivan Jacob Agaloos Pesigan

# See Also

```
Other Beta Delta Functions: BetaDelta()
```

```
object <- lm(QUALITY ~ NARTIC + PCTGRT + PCTSUPP, data = nas1982)
std <- BetaDelta(object)
diff <- DiffBetaDelta(std)
# Methods ------
print(diff)
summary(diff)
coef(diff)
vcov(diff)
confint(diff, level = 0.95)</pre>
```

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nas1982

1982 National Academy of Sciences Doctoral Programs Data

#### Description

1982 National Academy of Sciences Doctoral Programs Data

#### Usage

nas1982

#### **Format**

Ratings of 46 doctoral programs in psychology in the USA with the following variables:

**QUALITY** Program quality ratings.

NFACUL Number of faculty members in the program.

NGRADS Number of program graduates.

PCTSUPP Percentage of program graduates who received support.

**PCTGRT** Percent of faculty members holding research grants.

NARTIC Number of published articles attributed to program faculty member.

PCTPUB Percent of faculty with one or more published article.

#### References

National Research Council. (1982). An assessment of research-doctorate programs in the United States: Social and behavioral sciences. doi:10.17226/9781. Reproduced with permission from the National Academy of Sciences, Courtesy of the National Academies Press, Washington, D.C.

print.betadelta

Print Method for an Object of Class betadelta

#### **Description**

Print Method for an Object of Class betadelta

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'betadelta'
print(x, alpha = NULL, digits = 4, ...)
```

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# **Arguments**

X	Object of class betadelta.
alpha	Numeric vector. Significance level $\alpha$ . If alpha = NULL, use the argument alpha used in x.
digits	Digits to print.
	additional arguments.

#### Value

Returns a matrix of standardized regression slopes, standard errors, test statistics, degrees of freedom, p-values, and confidence intervals.

#### Author(s)

Ivan Jacob Agaloos Pesigan

#### **Examples**

```
object <- lm(QUALITY ~ NARTIC + PCTGRT + PCTSUPP, data = nas1982)
std <- BetaDelta(object)
print(std)</pre>
```

print.diffbetadelta

Print Method for an Object of Class diffbetadelta

#### **Description**

Print Method for an Object of Class diffbetadelta

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'diffbetadelta'
print(x, alpha = NULL, digits = 4, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

X	Object of class diffbetadelta.
alpha	Numeric vector. Significance level $\alpha$ . If alpha = NULL, use the argument alpha used in x.
digits	Digits to print.
	additional arguments.

#### Value

Returns a matrix of standardized regression slopes, standard errors, test statistics, degrees of freedom, p-values, and confidence intervals.

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#### Author(s)

Ivan Jacob Agaloos Pesigan

#### **Examples**

```
object <- lm(QUALITY ~ NARTIC + PCTGRT + PCTSUPP, data = nas1982)
std <- BetaDelta(object)
diff <- DiffBetaDelta(std)
print(diff)</pre>
```

summary.betadelta

Summary Method for an Object of Class betadelta

#### **Description**

Summary Method for an Object of Class betadelta

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'betadelta'
summary(object, alpha = NULL, digits = 4, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

object Object of class betadelta. 
alpha Numeric vector. Significance level  $\alpha$ . If alpha = NULL, use the argument alpha used in object. 
digits Digits to print. 
additional arguments.

#### Value

Returns a matrix of standardized regression slopes, standard errors, test statistics, degrees of freedom, p-values, and confidence intervals.

#### Author(s)

Ivan Jacob Agaloos Pesigan

```
object <- lm(QUALITY ~ NARTIC + PCTGRT + PCTSUPP, data = nas1982)
std <- BetaDelta(object)
summary(std)</pre>
```

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summary.diffbetadelta Summary Method for an Object of Class diffbetadelta

# Description

Summary Method for an Object of Class diffbetadelta

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'diffbetadelta'
summary(object, alpha = NULL, digits = 4, ...)
```

# Arguments

object	Object of class diffbetadelta.
alpha	Numeric vector. Significance level $\alpha.$ If alpha = NULL, use the argument alpha used in object.
digits	Digits to print.
	additional arguments.

#### Value

Returns a matrix of standardized regression slopes, standard errors, test statistics, degrees of freedom, p-values, and confidence intervals.

#### Author(s)

Ivan Jacob Agaloos Pesigan

```
object <- lm(QUALITY ~ NARTIC + PCTGRT + PCTSUPP, data = nas1982)
std <- BetaDelta(object)
diff <- DiffBetaDelta(std)
summary(diff)</pre>
```

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vcov.betadelta

Sampling Covariance Matrix of the Standardized Regression Slopes

# Description

Sampling Covariance Matrix of the Standardized Regression Slopes

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'betadelta'
vcov(object, ...)
```

#### Arguments

object Object of class betadelta. ... additional arguments.

#### Value

Returns a matrix of the variance-covariance matrix of standardized slopes.

#### Author(s)

Ivan Jacob Agaloos Pesigan

# **Examples**

```
object <- lm(QUALITY ~ NARTIC + PCTGRT + PCTSUPP, data = nas1982)
std <- BetaDelta(object)
vcov(std)</pre>
```

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Sampling Covariance Matrix of Differences of Standardized Regression Slopes

# Description

Sampling Covariance Matrix of Differences of Standardized Regression Slopes

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'diffbetadelta'
vcov(object, ...)
```

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# **Arguments**

object Object of class diffbetadelta. ... additional arguments.

#### Value

Returns a matrix of the variance-covariance matrix of differences of standardized regression slopes.

#### Author(s)

Ivan Jacob Agaloos Pesigan

```
object <- lm(QUALITY ~ NARTIC + PCTGRT + PCTSUPP, data = nas1982)
std <- BetaDelta(object)
diff <- DiffBetaDelta(std)
vcov(diff)</pre>
```

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