

Package ‘misclassifyr’

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log_prior_Delta_NP	<i>Evaluates the log of the prior of Delta at model_to_Delta_NP(psi).</i>
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Description

Evaluates the log of the prior of Delta at model_to_Delta_NP(psi).

Usage

```
log_prior_Delta_NP(psi)
```

Arguments

psi	A numeric vector parameterizing Delta through model_to_Delta_NP.
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Value

A numeric value equal to the log of the flat prior of Delta at psi, re-scaled for the logit transform.

log_prior_Delta_NP_ind	<i>Evaluates the log of the prior of Delta at model_to_Delta_NP_ind of psi.</i>
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Description

Evaluates the log of the prior of Δ at model_to_Delta_NP_ind(psi).

Usage

```
log_prior_Delta_NP_ind(psi)
```

Arguments

psi	A numeric vector parameterizing Delta through model_to_Delta_NP_ind.
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Value

A numeric value equal to the log of the flat prior of Delta at psi, re-scaled for the logit transform.

log_prior_Delta_RL_ind

Evaluates the log of the prior of Delta at model_to_Delta_RL_ind(psi).

Description

Evaluates the log of the prior of Delta at model_to_Delta_RL_ind(psi).

Usage

```
log_prior_Delta_RL_ind(psi)
```

Arguments

psi A numeric vector parameterizing Delta through model_to_Delta_RL_ind.

Value

A numeric value equal to the log of the flat prior of Delta at psi, re-scaled for the logit transform.

log_prior_Pi_NP

Evaluates the log of the prior of Pi at model_to_Pi_NP(phi).

Description

Evaluates the log of the prior of Pi at model_to_Pi_NP(phi).

Usage

```
log_prior_Pi_NP(phi)
```

Arguments

phi A numeric vector parameterizing Pi through model_to_Pi.

Value

A numeric value equal to the log of the flat prior of Pi at phi, re-scaled for the logit transform.

misclassifyfyr

*misclassifyfyr***Description**

This function provides a menu of options for estimation and inference of misclassification models in which the analyst has access to two noisy measures, Y1 and Y2 of a latent outcome Y^* , a correctly measured covariate X, and discrete controls W.

Usage

```
misclassifyfyr(
  tab,
  J,
  K,
  X_names,
  Y1_names,
  Y2_names,
  model_to_Pi = model_to_Pi_NP,
  model_to_Delta = model_to_Delta_NP_ind,
  makeplots = T,
  phi_0 = NA,
  psi_0 = NA,
  W_names = NA,
  estimate_beta = F,
  X_vals = NA,
  Y_vals = NA,
  X_col_name = "X",
  Y_col_name = "Y",
  mle = T,
  optim_tol = 1e-08,
  optim_maxit = 1e+05,
  check_stability = F,
  stability_sd = 0.1,
  bayesian = F,
  log_prior_Pi = log_prior_Pi_NP,
  log_prior_Delta = log_prior_Delta_NP_ind,
  n_mcmc_draws = 10000,
  n_burnin = 5000,
  thinning_rate = 1,
  gibbs_proposal_sd = 0.1,
  cores = 1
)
```

Arguments

tab	A dataframe or a list of dataframes containing tabulated data or a list of tabulated data split by controls. The columns should be numeric with names Y1, Y2, X, and n where Y1 and Y2 take each value between 1 and J, X takes each value between 1 and K, and
J	An integer or list corresponding to the number of unique values of Y1 and Y2.

K	An integer or list corresponding to the number of unique values of X.
X_names	A character vector or list corresponding to the values of the regressor X.
Y1_names	A character vector or list corresponding to the values of the outcome Y1.
Y2_names	A character vector or list corresponding to the values of the instrument Y2.
model_to_Pi	A function or list of functions mapping the parameters of a model for the joint distribution to the joint distribution π .
model_to_Delta	A function or list of functions mapping the parameters of a model to the conditional distribution $Y1, Y2 Y^*$, Δ .
makeplots	A logical value for whether to make trace plots and plots of π and Δ . Defaults to TRUE.
phi_0	A numeric vector or list of numeric vectors providing the starting location for optimization for the argument to model_to_Pi.
psi_0	A numeric vector or list of numeric vectors providing the starting location for optimization for the argument to model_to_Delta.
W_names	A character vector corresponding to the values of the control W in each cell.
estimate_beta	A logical value indicating whether to regress Y on X.
X_vals	A numeric vector or list of numeric vectors providing the values of X associated with the columns of π .
Y_vals	A numeric vector or list of numeric vectors providing the values of Y associated with the rows of π .
X_col_name	A character vector corresponding to the variable of the regressor X, used only for plots.
Y_col_name	A character vector corresponding to the variable of the outcome Y, used only for plots.
mle	A logical value indicating whether to estimate π and Δ via MLE. Defaults to TRUE.
optim_tol	A numeric value giving the relative tolerance for optimization with the optim.
optim_maxit	An integer giving the maximum number of iterations for optim.
check_stability	A logical value indicating whether to perform a more rigorous stability test for the numerical optimizer.
stability_sd	A numerical value giving the standard deviation of the noise added to the initial parameter value for the stability test of the MLE.
bayesian	A logical value indicating whether or not to compute the posterior of values.
log_prior_Pi	A function or list of functions evaluating the log of the prior of π at phi (in logs!).
log_prior_Delta	A function or list of functions evaluating the log of the prior of Δ at psi (in logs!).
n_mcmc_draws	An integer corresponding to the length of the MCMC chain.
n_burnin	An integer giving the length of the burn-in period for each MCMC chain, must be shorter than n_mcmc_draws.
thinning_rate	An integer indicating how frequently to record posterior draws from the MCMC chain – e.g. a thinning_rate of 2 records every other draw.

gibbs_proposal_sd	A numeric value giving the standard deviation for the proposal distribution in each Gibbs step.
cores	An integer for the number of CPUs available for parallel processing.
split_eta	An integer or list indicating where to split the vector eta in phi and psi, the arguments to model_to_Pi and model_to_Delta respectively.

Value

A list containing the following components:

- $\hat{\Pi}_{MLE}$: The MLE estimate of the joint distribution of X and Y^* , Π .

model_to_Delta_NP	<i>Maps model parameters, psi, to Delta, the fully non-parametric distribution of $Y1, Y2 \mid Y^*$</i>
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Description

Maps model parameters, psi, to Delta, the fully non-parametric distribution of $Y1, Y2 \mid Y^*$

Usage

```
model_to_Delta_NP(psi)
```

Arguments

psi A numeric vector of length $J^2(J-1)$ containing all but the last row of Delta.

Value

A numeric vector corresponding to the $J \times J^2$ matrix Delta.

model_to_Delta_NP_ind	<i>Maps model parameters, psi, to Delta, the distribution of $Y1, Y2 \mid Y^*$ under conditional independence of $Y1, Y2$ on Y</i>
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Description

Maps model parameters, psi, to Delta, the distribution of $Y1, Y2 \mid Y^*$ under conditional independence of $Y1, Y2$ on Y

Usage

```
model_to_Delta_NP_ind(psi)
```

Arguments

psi A numeric vector of length $2 \times J \times (J-1)$ containing $\Delta^{(1)}$ and $\Delta^{(2)}$.

Value

A numeric vector of length J^3 corresponding to the values of the $J \times J^2$ matrix Delta.

model_to_Delta_RL_ind *Maps model parameters, psi, to Delta, the distribution of $Y1, Y2 \mid Y^*$ under record linkage error structure.*

Description

Maps model parameters, psi, to Delta, the distribution of $Y1, Y2 \mid Y^*$ under record linkage error structure.

Usage

```
model_to_Delta_RL_ind(psi)
```

Arguments

psi A numeric vector of length $2(J-1)+2J$ corresponding to the column and row scales of the record linkage.

Value

A numeric vector of length J^3 corresponding to the values of the $J \times J^2$ matrix Delta.

model_to_Pi_NP *Maps model parameters, phi, to the joint distribution of X and Y^* , Pi.*

Description

Maps model parameters, phi, to the joint distribution of X and Y^* , Pi.

Usage

```
model_to_Pi_NP(phi, J, ...)
```

Arguments

phi A numeric vector.
 J An integer corresponding to the dimension of Y .
 ... Additional, optional arguments.

Value

A numeric vector corresponding to the $J \times K$ matrix Pi

Pi_to_beta	<i>Maps the joint distribution, Pi, of X and Y* to a scalar, beta</i>
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Description

Maps the joint distribution, Pi, of X and Y* to a scalar, beta

Usage

```
Pi_to_beta(Pi, X_vals, Y_vals, W_weights)
```

Arguments

Pi	A numeric vector or list of numeric vectors containing the elements of Pi.
X_vals	A numeric vector or a list of numeric vectors representing the scalar values associated with X.
Y_vals	A numeric vector or a list of numeric vectors representing the scalar values associated with Y.
W_weights	A numeric vector representing the sample size of each control cell.

Value

A scalar equal to beta.

prep_misclassification_data	<i>prep_misclassification_data</i>
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Description

This function tabulates data and generates metadata in a format to be used with the misclassifyr() function.

Usage

```
prep_misclassification_data(
  data,
  outcome_1,
  outcome_2,
  regressor,
  outcome_1_bin = NA,
  outcome_2_bin = NA,
  regressor_bin = NA,
  controls = NA,
  weights = NA,
  X_names = NA,
  Y1_names = NA,
  Y2_names = NA,
  record_vals = F
)
```


Arguments

data	A data.frame containing the outcome variable,
outcome_1	A character string denoting the variable in the dataframe to be used as the first measure of an outcome, Y_1.
outcome_2	A character string denoting the variable in the dataframe to be used as the second measure of an outcome, Y_2.
regressor	A character string denoting the variable in the dataframe to be used as the regressor, X.
outcome_1_bin	A character string denoting the variable in the dataframe to be used to group / bin and average the first measure of an outcome, Y_1.
outcome_2_bin	A character string denoting the variable in the dataframe to be used to group / bin and average the second measure of an outcome, Y_2.
regressor_bin	A character string denoting the variable in the dataframe to be used to group / bin and average the regressor, X.
controls	A character string or vector of character strings denoting the variable/variables to be used as non-parametric controls, W.
weights	A character string denoting a variable containing individual level weights
X_names	A vector of character strings denoting the values of the regressor in the desired order. If NA, as is default, names will be inferred from the data.
Y1_names	A vector of character strings denoting the values of the outcome in the desired order. If NA, as is default, names will be inferred from the data.
Y2_names	A vector of character strings denoting the values of the instrument in the desired order. If NA, as is default, names will be inferred from the data.
record_vals	A logical value indicating whether to record the unique values of the outcomes and the regressor. If record_vals = F, you likely want to order the data by the regressor and outcomes before applying prep_misclassification_data.

Value

A list of objects including tabulated data to be used in misclassifyr()

se_beta_deltamethod	<i>Computes the standard error of beta as function of the joint distribution of X and Y*, Pi</i>
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Description

Computes the standard error of beta as function of the joint distribution of X and Y*, Pi

Usage

```
se_beta_deltamethod(Pi, cov_Pi, X_vals, Y_vals, W_weights)
```

Arguments

Pi	A numeric vector or list of numeric vectors containing the elements of Pi.
cov_Pi	A numeric vector or a list of numeric vectors representing the covariance of estimates of the elements of Pi.
X_vals	A numeric vector or a list of numeric vectors representing the scalar values associated with X.
Y_vals	A numeric vector or a list of numeric vectors representing the scalar values associated with Y.
W_weights	A numeric vector representing the sample size of each control cell.

Value

A scalar equal to the standard error of beta.

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