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 modi-package

*Multivariate outlier detection for incomplete survey data*


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### Description

The package `modi` is a collection of functions for multivariate outlier detection and imputation. The aim is to provide a set of functions which cope with missing values and take sampling weights into account. The original functions were developed in the EUREDIT project. This work was partially supported by the EU FP5 ICT programme, the Swiss Federal Office of Education and Science and the Swiss Federal Statistical Office. Subsequent development was in the AMELI project of the EU FP7 SSH Programme and also supported by the University of Applied Sciences and Arts Northwestern Switzerland (FHNW).

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BACON-EEM algorithm in `BEM()`, Epidemic algorithm in `EAdet()` and `EAimp()`, Transformed Rank Correlations in `TRC()`, Gaussian imputation with MCD in `GIMCD()`.

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Béguin, C., and Hulliger, B. (2004). Multivariate outlier detection in incomplete survey data: The epidemic algorithm and transformed rank correlations. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, A* 167(Part 2.), 275-294.

Béguin, C. and Hulliger, B. (2008) The BACON-EEM Algorithm for Multivariate Outlier Detection in Incomplete Survey Data, *Survey Methodology*, Vol. 34, No. 1, pp. 91-103.

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 BEM

*BACON-EEM Algorithm for multivariate outlier detection in incomplete multivariate survey data*


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### Description

BEM starts from a set of uncontaminated data with possible missing values, applies a version of the EM-algorithm to estimate the center and scatter of the good data, then adds (or deletes) observations to the good data which have a Mahalanobis distance below a threshold. This process iterates until the good data remain stable. Observations not among the good data are outliers.

**Usage**

```
BEM(data, weights, v = 2, c0 = 3, alpha = 0.01, md.type = "m", em.steps.start = 10, em.steps.loop =
```

**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	a matrix or data frame. As usual, rows are observations and columns are variables.
<code>weights</code>	a non-negative and non-zero vector of weights for each observation. Its length must equal the number of rows of the data. Default is <code>rep(1, nrow(data))</code> .
<code>v</code>	an integer indicating the distance for the definition of the starting good subset: <code>v=1</code> uses the Mahalanobis distance based on the weighted mean and covariance, <code>v=2</code> uses the Euclidean distance from the componentwise median
<code>c0</code>	the size of initial subset is <code>c0*ncol(data)</code> .
<code>alpha</code>	a probability indicating the level $(1-\alpha)$ of the cutoff quantile for good observations
<code>md.type</code>	Type of Mahalanobis distance: "m" marginal, "c" conditional
<code>em.steps.start</code>	Number of iterations of EM-algorithm for starting good subset
<code>em.steps.loop</code>	Number of iterations of EM-algorithm for good subset
<code>better.estimation</code>	If <code>better.estimation=TRUE</code> then the EM-algorithm for the final good subset iterates <code>em.steps.start</code> more.
<code>monitor</code>	If TRUE verbose output.

**Details**

The BACON algorithm with `v=1` is not robust but affine equivariant while `v=2` is robust but not affine equivariant. The threshold for Mahalanobis distances is a chisquare quantile at  $(1-\alpha)$ . For relatively small data sets it may be better to choose  $\alpha/n$  instead.

The internal function `.EM.normal` is usually called from `BEM`. `.EM.normal` is implementing the EM-algorithm in such a way that part of the calculations can be saved to be reused in the `BEM` algorithm. `.EM.normal` does not contain the computation of the observed sufficient statistics, they will be computed in the main program of `BEM` and passed as parameters as well as the statistics on the missingness patterns.

**Value**

`BEM` returns a list whose first component is the sub-list output with the following components:

<code>sample.size</code>	number of observations
<code>discarded.observations</code>	Number of discarded observations
<code>number.of.variables</code>	Number of variables
<code>significance.level</code>	<code>alpha</code>
<code>initial.basic.subset.size</code>	Size of initial good subset
<code>final.basic.subset.size</code>	Size of final good subset

```

number.of.iterations      Number of iterations of the BACON step
computation.time          Elapsed computation time
center                    Final estimate of the center
scatter                   Final estimate of the covariance matrix
cutpoint                  The threshold MD-value for the cut-off of outliers

The further components returned by BEM are:

outind                    Outlier indicator
dist                      Final Mahalanobis distances

```

### Note

BEM uses an adapted version of the EM-algorithm in funktion `EM-normal`.

### Author(s)

Beat Hulliger

### References

BV'eguín, C. and Hulliger, B. (2008) The BACON-EEM Algorithm for Multivariate Outlier Detection in Incomplete Survey Data, *Survey Methodology*, Vol. 34, No. 1, pp. 91-103.

Billor, N., Hadi, A.S. and Vellemann, P.F. (2000). BACON: Blocked Adaptative Computationally-efficient Outlier Nominators. *Computational Statistics and Data Analysis*, 34(3), 279-298.

Schafer J.L. (2000), *Analysis of Incomplete Multivariate Data*, Monographs on Statistics and Applied Probability 72, Chapman & Hall.

### Examples

```

# Bushfire data set with 20% MCAR
data(bushfire,bushfire.weights)
bem.res<-BEM(bushfire,bushfire.weights,alpha=(1-0.01/nrow(bushfire)))
print(bem.res$output)

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bushfire

*Bushfire scars*

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### Description

The bushfire data set was used by Campbell (1984, 1989) to locate bushfire scars. The dataset contains satellite measurements on five frequency bands, corresponding to each of 38 pixels.

### Usage

```
data(bushfire)
```

### Format

A data frame with 38 observations on 5 variables.

## Details

The data contains an outlying cluster of observations 33 to 38 a second outlier cluster of observations 7 to 11 and a few more isolated outliers, namely observations 12, 13, 31 and 32. bushfirem is created from bushfire by setting a proportion of 0.2 of the values to missing.

## Source

```
bushfirem: set.seed(234567891) miss.rate <- 0.2 miss.ind<-rep(F,n*p) miss.ind[sample(n*p,floor(miss.rate*n*p))]
bushmiss<-matrix(miss.ind,ncol=5) mean(bushmiss) bushfirem<-bushfire bushfirem[bushmiss]<-NA
For testing purposes weights are provided: bushfire.weights<-rep(c(1,2,5),length=nrow(bushfire))
```

## References

Campbell, N. (1989) Bushfire mapping using noaa avhrr data. Technical Report. Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation, North Ryde.

## Examples

```
data(bushfire)
## maybe str(bushfire) ; plot(bushfire) ...
```

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EAdet	<i>Epidemic Algorithm for detection of multivariate outliers in incomplete survey data.</i>
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## Description

In EAdet an epidemic is started at a center of the data. The epidemic spreads out and infects neighbouring points (probabilistically or deterministically). The last points infected are outliers. After running EAdet an imputation with EAimp may be run.

## Usage

```
EAdet(data, weights, reach = "max", transmission.function = "root", power = ncol(data), distance.type = "dist")
```

## Arguments

data	a data frame or matrix with the data
weights	a vector of positive sampling weights
reach	if reach="max" the maximal nearest neighbour distance is used as the basis for the transmission function, otherwise the weighted $(1-(p+1)/n)$ quantile of the nearest neighbour distances is used.
transmission.function	form of the transmission function of distance d: "step" is a heaviside function which jumps to 1 at d0, "linear" is linear between 0 and d0, "power" is $(\beta d + 1)^{-p}$ for $p=ncol(data)$ as default, "root" is the function $1-(1-d/d0)^{(1/max1)}$
power	sets $p=power$
distance.type	distance type in function dist()
max1	Maximum number of steps without infection

plotting	if TRUE the cdf of infection times is plotted
monitor	if TRUE verbose output on epidemic
prob.quantile	If mads fail take this quantile absolute deviation
random.start	If TRUE take a starting point at random instead of the spatial median
fix.start	Force epidemic to start at a specific observation
threshold	Infect all remaining points with infection probability above the threshold $1 - 0.5^{(1/\max l)}$
deterministic	if TRUE the number of infections is the expected number and the infected observations are the ones with largest infection probabilities.
rm.missobs	Set rm.missobs=TRUE if completely missing observations should be discarded. This has to be done actively as a safeguard to avoid mismatches when imputing.
verbose	More output with verbose=TRUE.

### Details

The form and parameters of the transmission function should be chosen such that the infection times have at least a range of 10. The default cutting point to decide on outliers is the median infection time plus three times the mad of infection times. A better cutpoint may be chosen by visual inspection of the cdf of infection times.

EAdet calls the function `EA.dist`, which passes the counterprobabilities of infection (an  $n * (n - 1)/2$  size vector!) and three parameters (sample spatial median index, maximal distance to nearest neighbor and transmission distance=`reach`) as arguments to `EA.det`. The distances vector may be too large to be passed as arguments. Then either the memory size must be increased. Former versions of the code used a global variable to store the distances in order to save memory.

### Value

EAdet returns a list whose first component output is a sub-list with the following components:

sample.size	Number of observations
discarded.observations	Indices of discarded observations
missing.observations	Indices of completely missing observations
number.of.variables	Number of variables
n.complete.records	Number of records without missing values
n.usable.records	Number of records with less than half of values missing (unusable observations are discarded)
medians	Component wise medians
mads	Component wise mads
prob.quantile	Use this quantile if mads fail, i.e. if one of the mads is 0.
quantile.deviation	Quantile of absolute deviations.
start	Starting observation
transmission.function	Input parameter

power	Input parameter
maxl	Maximum number of steps without infection
min.nn.dist	maximal nearest neighbor distance
transmission.distance	$d_0$
threshold	Input parameter
distance.type	Input parameter
deterministic	Input parameter
number.infected	Number of infected observations
cutpoint	Cutpoint of infection times for outlier definition
number.outliers	Number of outliers
outliers	Indices of outliers
duration	Duration of epidemic
computation.time	Elapsed computation time
initialisation.computation.time	Elapsed computation time for standardisation and calculation of distance matrix

The further components returned by EAdet are:

infected	Indicator of infection
infection.time	Time of infection
outind	Indicator of outliers

### Author(s)

Beat Hulliger

### References

BV'eguin, C., and Hulliger, B. (2004). Multivariate outlier detection in incomplete survey data: The epidemic algorithm and transformed rank correlations. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, A* 167(Part 2.), 275-294.

### See Also

[EAimp](#) for imputation with the Epidemic Algorithm.

### Examples

```
data(bushfirem,bushfire.weights)
det.res<-EAdet(bushfirem,bushfire.weights)
print(det.res$output)
```

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EAimp	<i>Epidemic Algorithm for imputation of multivariate outliers in incomplete survey data.</i>
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## Description

After running EAdet an imputation of the detected outliers with EAimp may be run.

## Usage

```
EAimp(data, weights , outind, reach="max", transmission.function = "root", power=ncol(data),
duration = 5, maxl = 5, kdon = 1, monitor = FALSE, threshold = FALSE, deterministic = TRUE, fixedprop = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

data	a data frame or matrix with the data
weights	a vector of positive sampling weights
outind	a logical vector with component TRUE for outliers
reach	reach of the threshold function (usually set to the maximum distance to a nearest neighbour, see internal function .EA.dist)
transmission.function	form of the transmission function of distance d: "step" is a heaviside function which jumps to 1 at d0, "linear" is linear between 0 and d0, "power" is $(\beta d + 1)^{-p}$ for $p = \text{ncol}(\text{data})$ as default, "root" is the function $1 - (1 - d/d0)^{1/\text{maxl}}$
power	sets $p = \text{power}$ , where p is the parameter in the above transmission function.
distance.type	distance type in function dist()
maxl	Maximum number of steps without infection
monitor	if TRUE verbose output on epidemic
threshold	Infect all remaining points with infection probability above the threshold $1 - 0.5^{1/\text{maxl}}$
deterministic	if TRUE the number of infections is the expected number and the infected observations are the ones with largest infection probabilities.
duration	The duration of the detection epidemic
kdon	The number of donors that should be infected before imputation
fixedprop	If TRUE a fixed proportion of observations is infected at each step

## Details

EAimp uses the distances calculated in EAdet (actually the counterprobabilities, which are stored in a global data set) and starts an epidemic at each observation to be imputed until donors for the missing values are infected. Then a donor is selected randomly.



**Value**

EAimp returns a list with components parameters and imputed.data.

parameters contains the following components:

sample.size	Number of observations
number.of.variables	Number of variables
n.complete.records	Number of records without missing values
n.usable.records	Number of records with less than half of values missing (unusable observations are discarded)
duration	Duration of epidemic
reach	Transmission distance (d0)
threshold	Input parameter
deterministic	Input parameter
computation.time	Elapsed computation time

imputed.data contains the imputed data.

**Author(s)**

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**References**

BV'eguin, C., and Hulliger, B. (2004). Multivariate outlier detection in incomplete survey data: The epidemic algorithm and transformed rank correlations. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, A* 167(Part 2.), 275-294.

**See Also**

[EAdet](#) for outlier detection with the Epicemic Algorithm.

**Examples**

```
data(bushfirem,bushfire.weights)
det.res<-EAdet(bushfirem,bushfire.weights)
imp.res<-EAimp(bushfirem,bushfire.weights,outind=det.res$outind,
reach=det.res$output$max.min.di,kdon=3)
print(imp.res$output)
```

ER

*Robust EM-algorithm ER***Description**

The ER function is an implementation of the ER-algorithm of Little and Smith (1987).

**Usage**

```
ER(data, weights, alpha = 0.01, psi.par = c(2, 1.25), em.steps = 100, steps.output = F, Estep.output = F)
```

**Arguments**

data	a data frame or matrix
weights	sampling weights
alpha	probability for the quantile of the cut-off
psi.par	further parameters passed to the psi-function
em.steps	number of iteration steps of the EM-algorithm
steps.output	if TRUE verbose output
Estep.output	if TRUE estimators are output at each iteration
tolerance	convergence criterion (relative change)

**Details**

The M-step of the EM-algorithm uses a one-step M-estimator.

**Value**

sample.size	number of observations
number.of.variables	Number of variables
significance.level	alpha
computation.time	Elapsed computation time
good.data	Indices of the data in the final good subset
outliers	Indices of the outliers
center	Final estimate of the center
scatter	Final estimate of the covariance matrix
dist	Final Mahalanobis distances
rob.weights	Robustness weights in the final EM step

**Author(s)**

Beat Hulliger

## References

Little, R. and P. Smith (1987). Editing and imputation for quantitative survey data. Journal of the American Statistical Association, 82, 58-68.

## See Also

[BEM](#)

## Examples

```
data(bushfirem)
data(bushfire.weights)
det.res<-ER(bushfirem, weights=bushfire.weights,alpha=0.05,steps.output=TRUE,em.steps=100,tol=2e-6)
plotMD(det.res$dist,ncol(bushfirem))
```

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GIMCD

*Gaussian imputation followed by MCD*


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## Description

Gaussian imputation uses the classical non-robust mean and covariance estimator and then imputes predictions under the multivariate normal model. Outliers may be created by this procedure. Then a high-breakdown robust estimate of the location and scatter with the Minimum Covariance Determinant algorithm is obtained and finally outliers are determined based on Mahalanobis distances based on the robust location and scatter.

## Usage

```
GIMCD(data, alpha = 0.05, seed = 234567819)
```

## Arguments

data	a data frame or matrix with the data
alpha	a threshold value for the cut-off for the outlier Mahalanobis distances
seed	random number generator seed

## Details

Normal imputation from package norm and MCD from package MASS. Note that currently MCD does not accept weights.

## Value

Result is stored in a global list GIMCD.r:

center	robust center
scatter	robust covariance
alpha	Quantile for cut-off value
computation.time	Elapsed computation time
outind	logical vector of outlier indicators
dist	Mahalanobis distances

**Author(s)**

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**References**

B'eguín, C. and Hulliger, B. (2008) The BACON-EEM Algorithm for Multivariate Outlier Detection in Incomplete Survey Data, *Survey Methodology*, Vol. 34, No. 1, pp. 91-103.

**See Also**

[cov.mcd](#), [norm](#)

**Examples**

```
data(bushfirem)
det.res<-GIMCD(bushfirem,alpha=0.1)
print(det.res$center)
plotMD(det.res$dist,ncol(bushfirem))
```

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MDmiss

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*Mahalanobis distance (MD) for data with missing values.*


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**Description**

For each observation the missing dimensions are omitted before calculating the MD. The MD contains a correction factor  $p/q$  to account for the number of observed values, where  $p$  is the number of variables and  $q$  is the number of observed dimensions for the particular observation.

**Usage**

```
MDmiss(data, center, cov)
```

**Arguments**

data	The data as a data frame or matrix.
center	The center to be used (may not contain missing values).
cov	The covariance to be used (may not contain missing values).

**Details**

The function loops over the observations. This is not optimal if only a few missingness patterns occur. If no missing values occur the function returns the Mahalanobis distance.

**Value**

The function returns a vector of the (squared) Mahalanobis distances.

**Author(s)**

Beat Hulliger

## References

B'egu'guin, C., and Hulliger, B. (2004). Multivariate outlier detection in incomplete survey data: The epidemic algorithm and transformed rank correlations. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, A* 167(Part 2.), 275-294.

## See Also

[mahalanobis](#)

## Examples

```
data(bushfirem,bushfire)
MDmiss(bushfirem,apply(bushfire,2,mean),var(bushfire))
```

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modi-internal	<i>Internal Functions of modi-package</i>
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## Description

The modi-package contains internal functions which are normally not called directly by the user. The internal functions are specifically built for the modi-package and are mainly used to improve efficiency and speed in the main functions of the package.

Calculation of distances for Epidemic Algorithm for multivariate outlier detection and imputation: `.EA.dist(data,n,p,weights,reach,transmission.function, power, distance.type, maxl)`

Non-zero non-missing minimum function: `.nz.min(x)`

Addressing function for Epidemic Algorithm: `.ind.dij(i, j, n)`

Addressing function for Epidemic Algorithm: `.ind.dijs(i, js, n)`

Sum of weights for observations < value (if lt=T) or observations=value (if lt=F): `.sum.weights(observations,weight`

Definition of the sweep and reverse-sweep operator: `.sweep.operator(M,k,reverse=FALSE)`

psi-function (defined in Little and Smith for ER algorithm): `.psi.lismi(d,present,psi.par=c(2,1.25))`

EM for multivariate normal data: `.EM.normal(data, weights=rep(1,nrow(data)), n=sum(weights) ,p=ncol(dat`

ER for multivariate normal data: `.ER.normal(data, weights=rep(1,nrow(data)), psi.par=c(2,1.25), np=sum(`

## Arguments

<code>data</code>	a data frame or matrix with the data
<code>n</code>	<code>nrow(data)</code>
<code>p</code>	<code>ncol(data)</code>
<code>weights</code>	a vector of positive sampling weights
<code>reach</code>	if <code>reach="max"</code> the maximal nearest neighbour distance is used as the basis for the transmission function, otherwise the weighted $(1 - (p + 1)/n)$ quantile of the nearest neighbour distances is used.
<code>transmission.function</code>	form of the transmission function of distance <code>d</code> : "step" is a heaviside function which jumps to 1 at <code>d0</code> , "linear" is linearly decreasing from 1 to 0 between 0 and <code>d0</code> , "power" is $(\beta * d + 1)^{-p}$ with $p = ncol(data)$ as default, "root" is the function $1 - (1 - d/d0)^{1/maxl}$

power	sets p=power
maxl	Maximum number of steps without infection
monitor	if TRUE verbose output on epidemic
x	vector of numeric values
i	index for row
j	index for column
js	vector of indices of columns
observations	Number of observations
value	an integer, indicating the threshold for the sum of weights computation
lt	if TRUE, sum of weights for observations < value is returned. If FALSE, sum of weights for observations = value is returned
M	an array, including a matrix
k	a vector giving the subscripts which the function will be applied over. E.g., for a matrix 1 indicates rows, 2 indicates columns
reverse	logical value
s.counts	counts of the different missingness patterns ordered alphabetically
s.id	indices of the last observation of each missingness pattern in the dataset ordered by missingness pattern
S	total number of different missingness patterns
T.obs	Sufficient statistics on complete observations
start.mean	starting value for mean vector
start.var	starting value for variance vector
numb.it	number of iterations
Estep.output	logical, TRUE if verbose output is desired
psi.par	further parameters passed to the psi-function
np	population size
missing.items	Indices of missing items
nb.missing.items	number of missing items
tolerance	stop iterations when change is below tolerance

## Details

.EA.dist creates a vector of length  $n * (n - 1)/2$  in the global environment. To avoid memory problems this vector is not (!) passed as a function result.

## Value

A list with two components: The first component output is a list with components

sample.spatial.median.index	The index of the observation with minimal sum of absolute distances to all other points
max.min.di	The maximum distance to a nearest neighbour
d0	The reach of the transmission function

The second componentn is

min.dist2nn	A vector of the distances to the nearest neighbour
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**Author(s)**

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**References**

Béguin, C., and Hulliger, B. (2004). Multivariate outlier detection in incomplete survey data: The epidemic algorithm and transformed rank correlations. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, A* 167(Part 2.), 275-294.

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plotMD

*QQ-Plot of Mahalanobis distances*


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**Description**

QQ-plot of (squared) Mahalanobis distances vs. scaled F-distribution. In addition two default cutpoints are proposed.

**Usage**

```
plotMD(dist, p, alpha = 0.95)
```

**Arguments**

dist	a vector of Mahalanobis distances
p	the number of variables involved in the Mahalanobis distances
alpha	a quantile for cut-off

**Details**

Scaling of the F-distribution as  $median(dist) * qf((1 : n)/(n + 1), p, n - p) / qf(0.5, p, n - p)$ . First default cutpoint is  $median(dist) * qf(alpha, p, n - p) / qf(0.5, p, n - p)$  and second default cutpoint is the alpha-quantile of the Mahalanobis distances.

**Value**

hmed	first proposed cutpoint based on F-distribution.
halpha	second proposed cutpoint (alpha-quantile)
QQ-plot	

**Author(s)**

Beat Hulliger

**References**

Little, R. & Smith, P. (1987) Editing and imputation for quantitative survey data *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, 82, 58-68

**Examples**

```
data(bushfire, bushfire.weights)
det.res<-TRC(bushfire, weights=bushfire.weights)
plotMD(det.res$dist, ncol(bushfire))
```

POEM

*Nearest Neighbour Imputation with Mahalanobis distance***Description**

POEM takes into account missing values, outlier indicators, error indicators and sampling weights.

**Usage**

```
POEM(data, weights, outind, errors, missing.matrix, alpha = 0.5, beta = 0.5, reweight.out = FALSE,
```

**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	a data frame or matrix with the data
<code>weights</code>	sampling weights
<code>outind</code>	an indicator vector for the outliers, 1 indicating outlier
<code>errors</code>	matrix of indicators for items which failed edits
<code>missing.matrix</code>	the missingness matrix can be given as input. Otherwise it will be recalculated
<code>alpha</code>	scalar giving the weight attributed to an item that is failing
<code>beta</code>	minimal overlap to accept a donor
<code>reweight.out</code>	if TRUE the outliers are redefined
<code>c</code>	tuning constant when redefining the outliers (cutoff for Mahalanobis distances)
<code>preliminary.mean.imputation</code>	assume the problematic observation is at the mean of good observations
<code>monitor</code>	if TRUE verbose output

**Details**

POEM assumes that an multivariate outlier detection has been carried out beforehand and assumes the result is summarized in the vectore `outind`. In addition further observations may have been flagged as failing edit-rules and this information is given in the vector `error`. The mean and covariance estimate is calculated with the good observations (not outliers and downweighted errors). Preliminary mean imputation is sometimes needed to avoid a non-positive definite covariance estimate at this stage. Preliminary mean imputation assumes that the problematic values of an observation (with errors, outliers or missing) can be replaced by the mean of the rest of the non-problematic observations. Note that the algorithm imputes these problematic observations afterwards and therefore the final covariance matrix with imputed data is not the same as the working covariance matrix (which may be based on preliminary mean imputation).

**Value**

Function `winsimp` returns a list whose first component output is a sub-list with the following components:

<code>preliminary.mean.imputation</code>	logical. T if preliminary mean imputation should be used
<code>completely.missing</code>	number of observations with no observed values



<code>good.values</code>	weighted number of of good values (not missing, not outlying, not erroneous)
<code>nonoutliers.before</code>	number of nonoutliers before reweighting
<code>weighted.nonoutliers.before</code>	weighted number of nonoutliers before reweighting
<code>nonoutliers.after</code>	number of nonoutliers after reweighting
<code>weighted.nonoutliers.after</code>	weighted number of nonoutliers after reweighting
<code>old.center</code>	coordinate means after weighting, before imputation
<code>old.variances</code>	coordinate variances after weighting, before imputation
<code>new.center</code>	coordinate means after weighting, after imputation
<code>new.variances</code>	coordinate variances after weighting, after imputation
<code>covariance</code>	covariance (of standardised observations) before imputation
<code>imputed.observations</code>	indices of observations with imputed values
<code>donors</code>	indices of donors for imputed observations
<code>new.outind</code>	indices of new outliers

The further component returned by POEM is

<code>imputed.data</code>	Imputed data set.
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### Author(s)

Beat Hulliger

### References

BV'eguin, C. and Hulliger B., (2002), EUREDIT Workpackage x.2 D4-5.2.1-2.C Develop and evaluate new methods for statistical outlier detection and outlier robust multivariate imputation, Technical report, EUREDIT 2002.

### Examples

```
data(bushfirem)
data(bushfire.weights)
outliers<-rep(0,nrow(bushfirem))
outliers[31:38]<-1
imp.res<-POEM(bushfirem,bushfire.weights,outliers,prel=TRUE)
print(imp.res$output)
var(imp.res$imputed.data)
```

sepe

*Sample Environment Protection Expenditure Survey***Description**

The sepe data set is a sample of the pilot survey in 1993 of the Swiss Federal Statistical Office on environment protection expenditures of Swiss private economy in the previous accounting year. The units are enterprises, the monetary variables are in thousand Swiss Francs (CHF). From the original sample a random subsample was chosen of which certain enterprises were excluded for confidentiality reasons. In addition, noise has been added to certain variables, and certain categories have been collapsed. The data set has missing values. The data set has first been prepared for the EU FP5 project EUREDIT and later been data protected for educational purposes.

**Usage**

```
data(sepe)
```

**Format**

A data frame with 675 observations on 23 variables.

idnr identifier (anonymous)

exp categoric variable: 1 = 'non-zero total expenditure', 2 = 'zero total expenditure', 3 = 'no answer to the question'

totinvwp total investment for water protection

totinvwm total investment for waste management

totinvap total investment for air protection

totinvnp total investment for noise protection

totinvot total investement for other environmental protection areas

totinvto overall total investment in all environmental protection areas

totexpwp total current expenditure in environmental protectiona area water protection

totexpwm total current expenditure in environmental protectiona area waste management

totexpap total current expenditure in environmental protectiona area air protection

totexpnp total current expenditure in environmental protectiona area noise protection

totexpot total current expenditure in other environmental protectiona

totexpto overall total current expenditure in all environmental protectiona

subtot total subsidies for environmental protection received

rectot total receipts from environmental protection

employ number of employees

sizeclass size class (according to number of employees)

stratum stratum number of sample design

activity code of economic activity (aggregated)

popsize number of enterprises in the population-stratum

popempl number of employees in population activity group

weight sampling weight (for extrapolation to the population)

## Details

The sample design is stratified random sampling with different sampling rates. Use package **survey** or **sampling** to obtain correct point and variance estimates. In addition a ratio estimator may be built using the variable `popemple` which gives the total employment per activity.

There are two balance rules: the subtotals of the investment variables should sum to `totinvto` and the expenditure subtotals should sum to `totexpto`.

The missing values stem from the survey itself. In the actual survey the missing values were declared as "guessed" rather than copied from records.

The sampling weight `weight` is adjusted for non-response in the stratum, i.e. `weight=popsiz/sampsiz`.

## References

Swiss Federal Statistical Office (1996), Umweltausgaben und -investitionen in der Schweiz 1992/1993, Ergebnisse einer Pilotstudie.

Charlton, J. (ed.), Towards Effective Statistical Editing and Imputation Strategies - Findings of the Euredit project, unpublished manuscript available from Eurostat and <http://www.cs.york.ac.uk/euredit/>

## Examples

```
data(sepe)
## maybe str(sepe) ; plot(sepe) ...
```

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TRC	<i>Transformed rank correlations for multivariate outlier detection</i>
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## Description

TRC starts from bivariate Spearman correlations and obtains a positive definite covariance matrix by back-transforming robust univariate medians and mads of the eigenspace. TRC can cope with missing values by a regression imputation using the a robust regression on the best predictor and it takes sampling weights into account.

## Usage

```
TRC(data, weights, overlap = 3, mincor = 0, robust.regression = "rank", gamma = 0.5, prob.quantile
```

## Arguments

<code>data</code>	a data frame or matrix with the data
<code>weights</code>	sampling weights
<code>overlap</code>	minimum number of jointly observed values for calculating the rank correlation
<code>mincor</code>	minimal absolute correlation to impute
<code>robust.regression</code>	type of regression: "irls" is iteratively reweighted least squares M-estimator, "rank" is based on the rank correlations
<code>gamma</code>	minimal number of jointly observed values to impute
<code>prob.quantile</code>	if mads are 0 try this quantile of absolute deviations
<code>alpha</code>	(1-alpha) Quantile of F-distribution is used for cut-off

<code>md.type</code>	Type of Mahalanobis distance when missing values occur: "m" marginal (default), "c" conditional
<code>monitor</code>	if TRUE verbose output

### Details

TRC is similar to a one-step OGK estimator where the starting covariances are obtained from rank correlations and an ad hoc missing value imputation plus weighting is provided.

### Value

TRC returns a list whose first component output is a sublist with the following components:

<code>sample.size</code>	number of observations
<code>number.of.variables</code>	number of variables
<code>number.of.missing.items</code>	number of missing values
<code>significance.level</code>	1-alpha
<code>computation.time</code>	elapsed computation time
<code>medians</code>	componentwise medians
<code>mads</code>	componentwise mads
<code>center</code>	location estimate
<code>scatter</code>	covariance estimate
<code>robust.regression</code>	input parameter
<code>md.type</code>	input parameter
<code>cutpoint</code>	The default threshold MD-value for the cut-off of outliers

The further components returned by TRC are:

<code>outind</code>	Indicator of outliers
<code>dist</code>	Mahalanobis distances (with missing values)

### Author(s)

Beat Hulliger

### References

BV'eguin, C., and Hulliger, B. (2004). Multivariate outlier detection in incomplete survey data: The epidemic algorithm and transformed rank correlations. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, A* 167(Part 2.), 275-294.

### Examples

```
data(bushfirem,bushfire.weights)
det.res<-TRC(bushfirem,weights=bushfire.weights)
plotMD(det.res$dist,ncol(bushfirem))
print(det.res)
```

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weighted.quantile	<i>Quantiles of a weighted cdf</i>
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**Description**

A weighted cdf is calculated and quantiles are evaluated. Missing values are discarded.

**Usage**

```
weighted.quantile(x, w, prob = 0.5, plot = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

x	vector of data
w	vector of (sampling) weights
prob	The probability for the quantile
plot	if TRUE the weighted cdf is plotted

**Details**

Weighted linear interpolation in case of non-unique inverse. Gives a warning when the contribution of the weight of the smallest observation to the total weight is larger than prob.

**Value**

The quantile for proportion prob.

**Note**

No variance calculation.

**Author(s)**

Beat Hulliger

**See Also**

[svyquantile](#)

**Examples**

```
x<-rnorm(100)
x[sample(1:100,20)]<-NA
w<-rchisq(100,2)
weighted.quantile(x,w,0.2,TRUE)
```

weighted.var

*Weighted univariate variance coping with missing values***Description**

This function is analogue to `weighted.mean`.

**Usage**

```
weighted.var(x, w, na.rm = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	a vector with data
<code>w</code>	positive weights (may not have missings where <code>x</code> is observed)
<code>na.rm</code>	if TRUE remove missing values

**Details**

The weights  $w$  are standardised such that  $\sum_{observed} w_i$  equals the number of observed values in  $x$ . The function calculates

$$\sum_{observed} w_i (x_i - weighted.mean(x, w, na.rm = T))^2 / ((\sum_{observed} w_i) - 1).$$

**Value**

The weighted variance of  $x$  with weights  $w$  (with missing values removed when `na.rm=TRUE`).

**Author(s)**

Beat Hulliger

**See Also**

See Also as [weighted.mean](#)

**Examples**

```
x<-rnorm(100)
x[sample(1:100,20)]<-NA
w<-rchisq(100,2)
weighted.var(x,w,na.rm=TRUE)
```

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winsimp	<i>Winsorization followed by imputation</i>
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## Description

Winsorisation of outliers according to the Mahalanobis distance followed by an imputation under the multivariate normal model. Only the outliers are winsorized. The Mahalanobis distance `MDmiss` allows for missing values.

## Usage

```
winsimp(data, center, scatter, outind, seed = 1000003)
```

## Arguments

<code>data</code>	Data frame with the data
<code>center</code>	(Robust) estimate of the center (location) of the observations
<code>scatter</code>	(Robust) estimate of the scatter (covariance-matrix) of the observations
<code>outind</code>	Logical vector indicating outliers with 1 or TRUE for outliers
<code>seed</code>	Seed for random number generator

## Details

It is assumed that `center`, `scatter` and `outind` stem from a multivariate outlier detection algorithm which produces robust estimates and which declares outliers observations with a large Mahalanobis distance. The cutpoint is calculated as the least (unsquared) Mahalanobis distance among the outliers. The winsorization reduces the weight of the outliers:

$$\hat{y}_i = \mu_R + (y_i - \mu_R) \cdot c/d_i$$

, where  $\mu_R$  is the robust center and  $d_i$  is the (unsquared) Mahalanobis distance of observation  $i$ .

## Value

Function `winsimp` returns a list whose first component output is a sub-list with the following components:

<code>cutpoint</code>	Cutpoint for outliers
<code>proc.time</code>	Processing time
<code>n.missing.before</code>	Number of missing values before
<code>n.missing.after</code>	Number of missing values after imputation

The further component returned by `winsimp` is

<code>imputed.data</code>	Imputed data set.
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## Author(s)

Beat Hulliger

**References**

Hulliger, B. (2007) Multivariate Outlier Detection and Treatment in Business Surveys, Proceedings of the III International Conference on Establishment Surveys, Montréal.

**See Also**

MDmiss. Uses [imp.norm](#) from the [norm](#) package.

**Examples**

```
data(bushfirem,bushfire.weights)
det.res<-TRC(bushfirem,weight=bushfire.weights)
imp.res<-winsimp(bushfirem,det.res$output$center,det.res$output$scatter,det.res$outind)
print(imp.res$output)
```



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