



Summary of Functions: Multiparameter Models

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normchi2post – computes the log of the posterior density of a mean M and a variance S^2 when a sample is taken from a normal density and a standard noninformative prior is used

Usage: `normchi2post(theta,data)`

Arguments: **theta**, a matrix of parameter values where each row is a value of (M, S^2) ; **data**, a vector containing the sample observations

Value: a vector of values of the log posterior where the values correspond to the rows in **theta**

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mycontour – for a general two parameter density, draws a contour graph where the contour lines are drawn at 10%, 1%, and .1% of the height at the mode

Usage: `mycontour(logf,limits,data,...)`

Arguments: `logf`, a function that defines the logarithm of the density; `limits`, a vector of limits (`xlo`, `xhi`, `ylo`, `yhi`) where the graph is to be drawn; `data`, a vector or list of parameters associated with the function `logpost`; `...`, further arguments to pass to `contour`

Value: a contour graph of the density is drawn

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normpostsim – gives a simulated sample from the joint posterior distribution of the mean and variance for a normal sampling prior with a noninformative prior

Usage: **normpostsim**(data,m)

Arguments: **data**, a vector containing the sample observations; **m**, number of simulations desired

Value: **mu**, vector of simulated draws of normal mean; **sigma2**, vector of simulated draws of normal variance

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`rdirichlet` – simulates values from a Dirichlet distribution

Usage: `rdirichlet(n,par)`

Arguments: `n`, the number of simulations required; `par`, the vector of parameters of the Dirichlet distribution

Value: a matrix of simulated draws, where a row contains one simulated Dirichlet draw

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logisticpost – computes the log posterior density of (β_0, β_1) when y_i are independent binomial(n_i, p_i) and $\text{logit}(p_i) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i$

Usage: **logisticpost(beta, data)**

Arguments: **beta**, a matrix of parameter values where each row represents a value of (β_0, β_1) ; **data**, a matrix of columns of covariate values x , sample sizes n , and number of successes y

Value: vector of values of the log posterior where each value corresponds to each row of the parameters in **beta**

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`simcontour` – for a general two-parameter density defined on a grid, simulates a random sample

Usage: `simcontour(logf,limits,data,m)`

Arguments: `logf`, a function that defines the logarithm of the density; `limits`, a vector of limits (`xlo`, `xhi`, `ylo`, `yhi`) that cover the joint probability density; `data`, a vector or list of parameters associated with the function `logpost`; `m`, the size of the simulated sample

Value: `x`, the vector of simulated draws of the first parameter; `y`, the vector of simulated draws of the second parameter

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`howardprior` – computes the logarithm of a dependent prior on two proportions proposed by Howard in a *Statistical Science* paper in 1998

Usage: `howardprior(xy,par)`

Arguments: `xy`, a matrix of parameter values where each row represents a value of the proportions (p_1 , p_2); `par`, a vector containing parameter values α , β , γ , δ , σ

Value: vector of values of the log posterior where each value corresponds to each row of the parameters in `xy`