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<b>Description</b> Firstly, both functions of the univariate Poisson dispersion index (DI) for count data and the univariate exponential variation index (VI) for nonnegative continuous data are performed. Next, other functions of univariate indexes such the binomial dispersion index (DIb), the negative binomial dispersion index (DInb) and the inverse Gaussian variation index (VIiG) are given. Finally, we are computed some multivariate versions of these functions such that the generalized dispersion index (GDI) with its marginal one (MDI) and the generalized variation index (GVI) with its marginal one (MVI) too.
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Count and continuous generalized variability indexes

## **Description**

Univariate Poisson dispersion index di.fun, univariate exponential variation index vi.fun functions are performed. Next, the univariate binomial dispersion index dib.fun, the univariate negative binomial dispersion index dinb.fun and the univariate inverse Gaussian variation index viiG.fun functions are given. Finally, the generalized dispersion index and its marginal one gmdi.fun, the generalized variation index and its marginal one gmvi.fun functions are displayed.

#### **Details**

# The univariate Poisson dispersion index (DI) and its relative versions with respect to binomial and negative binomial

The Poisson dispersion phenomenon is well-known and very widely used in practice; see, e.g., Kokonendji (2014) for a review of count (or discrete integer-valued) models. There are many interpretable mechanisms leading to this phenomenon which makes it possible to classify count distributions and make inference; see, e.g., Mizère et al. (2006) and Touré et al. (2020) for approximative statistical tests. Introduced from Fisher (1934), the Poisson dispersion index, also called the Fisher dispersion index, of a count random variable X on  $S = \{0, 1, 2, \ldots\} =: N_0$  can be defined as

$$DI(X) = \frac{VarX}{EX},$$

the ratio of variance to mean. In fact, the positive quantity DI(X) is the ratio of two variances since EX is the expected variance under the Poisson distribution. Hence, one easily deduces the concept of the relative dispersion index (denoted by RDI) by choosing another reference than the Poisson distribution. Indeed, if X and Y are two count random variables on the same support  $S \subseteq N_0$  such that EX = EY, then

$$RDI_Y(X) := \frac{VarX}{VarY} = \frac{DI(X)}{DI(Y)} > = <1;$$

i.e. X is over-, equi- and under-dispersed compared to Y if VarX > VarY, VarX = VarY and VarX < VarY, respectively.

For instance, the binomial dispersion index is defined as

$$RDI_B(X) = \frac{varX}{EX(1 - EX/N)},$$

where  $N \in \{1, 2, \ldots\}$  is the fixed number of trials. Also, the negative binomial dispersion index is defined as

$$RDI_NB(X) = \frac{varX}{EX(1 + EX/\lambda)},$$

where  $\lambda > 0$  is the dispersion parameter. See also, Weiss (2018, page 15) and Abid et al. (2021) for more details.

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## The univariate variation index (VI) and its relative version with respect to inverse Gaussian distribution:

More recently, Abid et al. (2020) have introduced the exponential variation index for positive continuous random variable X on  $[0, \infty)$  as

$$VI(X) = \frac{VarX}{(EX)^2}.$$

It can be viewed as the squared coefficient of variation. It is used in the framework of reliability to discriminate distribution of increasing/decreasing failure rate on the average (IFRA/DFRA); see, e.g., Barlow and Proschan (1981) in the sense of the coefficient of variation. See also Touré et al. (2020) for more details. Following RDI, the relative variation index (RVI) is defined, for two continuous random variables X and Y on the same support  $S = [0, \infty)$  with EX = EY, by

$$RVI_Y(X) := \frac{VarX}{VarY} = \frac{VI(X)}{VI(Y)} > = <1;$$

i.e. X is over-, equi- and under-varied compared to Y if VarX > VarY, VarX = VarY and VarX < VarY, respectively. For instance, the inverse Gaussian variation index is defined as

$$RVI_IG(X) = \lambda^2 \frac{varX}{(EX)^3},$$

where  $\lambda > 0$  is the shape parameter.

Next, consider the following notations. Let  $Y = (Y_1, \dots, Y_k)^{\top}$  be a nondegenerate count or continuous k-variate random vector,  $k \geq 1$ . Let also EY be the mean vector of Y and  $covY = (cov(Y_i, Y_j))_{i,j \in \{1, \dots, k\}}$  the covariance matrix of Y.

The generalized dispersion index (GDI) and marginal dispersion index (MVI): Kokonendji and Puig (2018) have introduced the generalized dispersion index for count vector Y on  $\{0, 1, 2, ...\}^k$  by

$$GDI(Y) = \frac{\sqrt{EY}^{\top}(covY)\sqrt{EY}}{EY^{\top}EY}.$$

Note that when k=1, GDI(Y) is just the classical Fisher dispersion index DI. GDI(Y) makes it possible to compare the full variability of Y (in the numerator) with respect to its expected uncorrelated Poissonian variability (in the denominator) which depends only on EY. GDI(Y) takes into account the correlation between variables. For only taking into account the dispersion information coming from the margins, the authors defined the "marginal dispersion index":

$$MDI(Y) = \frac{\sqrt{EY}^{\top}(diagvarY)\sqrt{EY}}{EY^{\top}EY} = \sum_{j=1}^{k} \frac{\{E(Y_j)\}^2}{EY^{\top}EY}DI(Y_j).$$

The generalized variation index (GVI) and marginal variation index (MVI): Similarly, Kokonendji et al. (2020) defined the *generalized variation index* for positive continuous vector Y on  $[0,\infty)^k$  by

$$GVI(Y) = \frac{EY^{\top}(covY)EY}{(EY^{\top}EY)^2}.$$

Remark that when k = 1, GVI(Y) is the univariate variation index VI. GVI(Y) makes it possible to compare the full variability of Y (in the numerator) with respect to its expected

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uncorrelated exponential variability (in the denominator) which depends only on EY. Also, GVI(Y) takes into account the correlation between variables. To only take into account the variation information coming from the margins, Kokonendji et al. (2020) defined the "marginal variation index":

$$MVI(Y) = \frac{EY^{\top}(diagvarY)EY}{(EY^{\top}EY)^2} = \sum_{i=1}^{k} \frac{(EY_i)^4}{(EY^{\top}EY)^2} VI(Y_i).$$

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di.fun

Function for DI

## **Description**

The function computes the univariate Poisson dispersion index for a count random variable.

## Usage

```
di.fun(X)
```

## **Arguments**

Χ

A count random variable

#### **Details**

di. fun provides the univariate Poisson dispersion index (Fisher, 1934). We can refer to Touré et al. (2020) for more details on the Poisson dispersion index.

## Value

Returns

di

The Poisson dispersion index

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Fisher, R.A. (1934). The effects of methods of ascertainment upon the estimation of frequencies, *Annals of Eugenics* **6**, 13-25.

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```
X<-c(6,7,8,9,8,4,7,6,12,8,0)
di.fun(X)
T<-c(61,72,83,94,85,46,77,68,129,80,10,12,12,3,4,5)
di.fun(T)
```

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dib.fun

Function for DIb

# Description

The function computes the binomial dispersion index for a given number of trials  $N \in \{1, 2, \ldots\}$ .

## Usage

```
dib.fun(X, N)
```

## **Arguments**

X A count random variable

N The number of trials of binomial distribution

## **Details**

dib. fun computes the dispersion index with respect to the binomial distribution. See Touré et al. (2020) and Weiss (2018) for more details.

#### Value

## Returns

dib

The binomial dispersion index

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## References

Touré, A.Y., Dossou-Gbété, S. and Kokonendji, C.C. (2020). Asymptotic normality of the test statistics for relative dispersion and relative variation indexes, *Journal of Applied Statistics* **47**, 2479-2491.

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```
X<-c(12,9,0,8,5,7,6,5,3,4,9,4)
dib.fun(X,12)
Y<-c(0,0,1,1,0,1,1)
dib.fun(Y,7)
```

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Function for DInb

## **Description**

The function computes the negative binomial dispersion index for a given dispersion parameter  $l \in (0, \infty)$ .

## Usage

```
dinb.fun(X, 1)
```

## **Arguments**

X A count random variable

1 The dispersion parameter of negative binomial distribution

## **Details**

dinb. fun computes the dispersion index with respect to negative binomial distribution. See Touré et al. (2020) and Abid et al. (2021) for more details.

#### Value

Returns

dinb

The negative binomial dispersion index

## Author(s)

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#### References

Abid, R., Kokonendji, C.C. and Masmoudi, A. (2021). On Poisson-exponential-Tweedie models for ultra-overdispersed count data, *AStA Advances in Statistical Analysis* **105**, 1-23.

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```
X<-c(12,9,0,8,5,7,6,5,3,4,9,4)
dinb.fun(X,12)
Y<-c(0,6,1,3,4,2,5)
dinb.fun(Y,7)</pre>
```

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gmdi.fun

Function for GDI and MDI

## **Description**

The function computes the GDI and MDI indexes for multivariate count data.

## Usage

```
gmdi.fun(Y)
```

## **Arguments**

Υ

A matrix of count random variables

## **Details**

gmdi. fun computes GDI and MDI indexes introduced by Kokonendji and Puig (2018).

## Value

Returns:

gdi The generalized dispersion index mdi The marginal dispersion index

## Author(s)

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## References

Kokonendji, C.C. and Puig, P. (2018). Fisher dispersion index for multivariate count distributions: A review and a new proposal, *Journal of Multivariate Analysis* **165**, 180-193.

```
Y<-cbind(c(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8),c(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8))
gmdi.fun(Y)
Z<-cbind(c(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8),c(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8),c(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8))
gmdi.fun(Z)
```

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gmvi.fun

Function for GVI and MVI

# **Description**

The function computes GVI and MVI indexes for multivariate positive continuous data.

## Usage

```
gmvi.fun(Y)
```

#### **Arguments**

Υ

A matrix of positive continuous random variables

#### **Details**

gmvi. fun computes the GVI and MVI indexes defined in Kokonendji et al. (2020).

#### Value

#### Returns:

gvi The generalized variation index mvi The marginal variation index

## Author(s)

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## References

Kokonendji, C.C., Touré, A.Y. and Sawadogo, A. (2020). Relative variation indexes for multivariate continuous distributions on  $[0, \infty)^k$  and extensions, *AStA Advances in Statistical Analysis* **104**, 285-307.

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vi.fun

Function for VI

## **Description**

The function calculates the univariate exponential variation index for a positive continuous random variable.

## Usage

```
vi.fun(X)
```

## **Arguments**

Χ

A positive continuous random variable

#### **Details**

vi . fun computes the univariate exponential variation index defined by Abid et al. (2020). See also Touré et al. (2020) for more details on this index.

## Value

Returns

νi

The exponential variation index

## Author(s)

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## References

Abid, R., Kokonendji, C.C. and Masmoudi, A. (2020). Geometric Tweedie regression models for continuous and semicontinuous data with variation phenomenon, *AStA Advances in Statistical Analysis* **104**, 33-58.

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```
X<-c(6.23,7.02,8.94,9.56,8.01,4.34,7.44,6.66,12.72,8.34,0)
vi.fun(X)
T<-c(6.231,7.022,8.943,9.789,8.014,4.423)
vi.fun(T)</pre>
```

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viiG.fun

Function for VIiG

## **Description**

The function computes the inverse Gaussian variation index with shape parameter  $l \in (0, \infty)$ .

# Usage

```
viiG.fun(X, 1)
```

# Arguments

X A positive continuous random variable

1 The shape parameter of the inverse Gaussian distribution

#### **Details**

viiG. fun computes the variation index with respect to the inverse Gaussian distribution. See Touré et al. (2020) for more details.

## Value

#### Returns

viiG

The inverse Gaussian variation index

## Author(s)

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## References

Touré, A.Y., Dossou-Gbété, S. and Kokonendji, C.C. (2020). Asymptotic normality of the test statistics for relative dispersion and relative variation indexes, *Journal of Applied Statistics* **47**, 2479-2491.

```
X<-c(0.12,9.11,0.03,8.71,5.02,7.12,6.42,5.73)
viiG.fun(X,0.05)
Y<-c(0.003,6.283,1.001,3.112,4.342,2.890,5.005)
viiG.fun(Y,0.3)</pre>
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