

Package ‘lvimp’

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Algorithm-Agnostic Variable Importance

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longitudinal summaries of nonparametric, algorithm-agnostic variable importance measures.
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`format.lvim` *Format a lvim object*

Description

Format a `lvim` object

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'lvim'
format(x, digits = 3, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	the <code>lvim</code> object of interest
<code>digits</code>	the number of digits to format to
<code>...</code>	other options, see the generic <code>format</code> function

Value

A formatted `lvim` object for printing.

`lvim` *Create a Longitudinal Variable Importance Object*

Description

Create a longitudinal variable importance object from several constituent cross-sectional variable importance objects.

Usage

```
lvim(vim_list = list(), timepoints = numeric())
```

Arguments

<code>vim_list</code>	a list of individual, cross-sectional variable importance objects. Assumed to be in order over time.
<code>timepoints</code>	a numeric vector of timepoints of interest

Value

an object of class `lvim`

lvim_autc*Area Under the Variable Importance Trajectory*

Description

Compute a nonparametric estimate of (and efficient influence function for) the area under the longitudinal variable importance trajectory (AUTC) over a contiguous subset of the time series.

Usage

```
lvim_autc(
  lvim,
  indices = 1:length(lvim),
  interpolator = "linear",
  delta = 0,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

lvim	an object of class <code>lvim</code> containing the cross-sectional variable importance objects
indices	a numeric vector indicating the contiguous subset of the time series
interpolator	a string indicating the type of interpolator used to take the area under the trajectory
delta	null hypothesis value
...	other arguments to be passed to the interpolator function

Value

The `lvim` object, with point estimates, CIs, and p-values related to the area under the trend in variable importance filled in.

lvim_average*Average Longitudinal Variable Importance*

Description

Compute a nonparametric estimate of (and efficient influence function for) the average longitudinal variable importance over a contiguous subset of the time series.

Usage

```
lvim_average(lvim, indices = 1:length(lvim), delta = 0)
```

Arguments

<code>lvim</code>	an object of class <code>lvim</code> containing the cross-sectional variable importance objects
<code>indices</code>	a numeric vector indicating the contiguous subset of the time series
<code>delta</code>	null hypothesis value

Value

The `lvim` object, with point estimates, CIs, and p-values related to the average variable importance filled in.

`lvim_trend`*Linear Trend in the Longitudinal Variable Importance Trajectory***Description**

Compute a nonparametric estimate of (and efficient influence function for) the linear trend in the longitudinal variable importance over a contiguous subset of the time series.

Usage

```
lvim_trend(lvim, indices = 1:length(lvim), delta = 0)
```

Arguments

<code>lvim</code>	an object of class <code>lvim</code> containing the cross-sectional variable importance objects
<code>indices</code>	a numeric vector indicating the contiguous subset of the time series
<code>delta</code>	null hypothesis value

Value

The `lvim` object, with point estimates, CIs, and p-values related to the linear trend in variable importance filled in.

`print.lvim`

Print a lvim object

Description

Print a lvim object

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'lvim'  
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	the lvim object of interest
<code>...</code>	other options, see the generic print function

Value

No return value, called for side effects.

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