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exams

Examples for subgroup test in the framework of general estimating equation

# Description

Examples of p-value of test statitics for 'Gaussian mixture', 'Exponential mixture', 'Poission mixture', 'Quantile regression', 'Probit regression', and 'Semiparamtric models'.

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#### Usage

```
exams(family = "mixexp", method = "wast", M = 1000, K = 1000, tau = 0.5)
```

#### **Arguments**

Family Family for the general estimating equation, including Gaussian mixture ('mixnorm'), Exponential mixture ('mixexp'), Poission mixture ('mixpoiss'), Quantile regression ('quantile'), Probit regression ('probit'), and Semiparamtric models ('semiparam').

method There are two methods, including the proposed 'wast' and 'sst'.

M An integer, the number of bootstrap samples.

K An integer, the number of threshold values for 'sst'.

The given quantile  $\tau$ , a scale in the unit inteval. It is only available if family="quantile".

## Value

pvals P-value of the corresponding test statistic.

## References

tau

Andrews, D. W. K. and Ploberger, W. (1994). Optimal tests when a nuisance parameter is present only under the alternative. Econometrica, 62(6):1383-1414.

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```
pvals <- exams(family = "mixnorm", method = "wast")
pvals

pvals <- exams(family = "mixexp", method = "wast")
pvals

pvals <- exams(family = "mixpoiss", method = "wast")
pvals

pvals <- exams(family = "quantile", method = "wast", tau = 0.5)
pvals

pvals <- exams(family = "probit", method = "wast")
pvals

pvals <- exams(family = "semiparam", method = "wast")
pvals</pre>
```

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P-value for subgroup test in Exponential mixture models

# **Description**

Provide p-value for subgroup test in Exponential mixture models, including two methods 'wast' and 'sst'.

# Usage

# **Arguments**

method There are three methods, including the proposed 'wast', 'sst', and 'davies'. Re-

fer method 'davies' to Davies (1977, 1987) which is only avaliable for known

true parameter  $\alpha = \alpha_0$ .

M An integer, the number of bootstrap samples.

K An integer, the number of threshold values for 'sst' and 'davies'.

lambda The rate parameter of weight that is a Exponential distribution.

alpha Rate parameter of Exponential distribution under the null. Default is NULL, in

which the rate parameter  $\alpha$  is eatimeted by the reciprocal of sample mean, that

is  $\hat{\alpha} = \frac{1}{\bar{u}}$ .

# **Details**

Exponential mixture model

$$f(y) = (1 - \beta)\alpha \exp(-\alpha y) + \beta\theta \exp(-\theta y),$$

where  $\beta \in [0, 1]$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}$  and  $\theta \in \mathbf{R}$  are unknown parameters.

# Value

pvals

P-value of the corresponding test statistic.

# References

Andrews, D. W. K. and Ploberger, W. (1994). Optimal tests when a nuisance parameter is present only under the alternative. Econometrica, 62(6):1383-1414.

Davies, R. B. (1977). Hypothesis testing when a nuisance parameter is present only under the alternative. Biometrika, 64(2):247-254.

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# **Examples**

```
data(simulatedData_mixexp)
pvals <- pval_mixexp(y = data_mixexp, method = "wast")
pvals

pvals <- pval_mixexp(y = data_mixexp, method = "sst")
pvals

pvals <- pval_mixexp(y = data_mixexp, method = "davies", alpha = 1)
pvals</pre>
```

pval\_mixnorm

P-value for subgroup test in Gaussian mixture models

# **Description**

Provide p-value for subgroup test in Gaussian mixture models, including two methods 'wast' and 'sst'.

# Usage

```
pval_mixnorm(y, method = "wast", M = 1000, K = 1000, mu = 0, sigma2 = 1, alpha = NULL)
```

# Arguments

У	The data.
method	There are three methods, including the proposed 'wast', 'sst', and 'davies'. Refer method 'davies' to Davies (1977, 1987), which is only avaliable for known true parameter $\alpha=\alpha_0$ .
М	An integer, the number of bootstrap samples.
K	An integer, the number of threshold values for 'sst' and 'davies'.
mu	The mean $\mu$ of weight that is a normal distribution.
sigma2	The variance $\sigma^2$ of weight that is a normal distribution.
alpha	Mean under the null. Default is NULL, in which the mean $\alpha$ is eatimeted by the sample mean.

## **Details**

Gaussian mixture model

$$f(y) = (1 - \beta)\phi(y - \alpha) + \beta\phi(y - \theta),$$

where  $\phi(\cdot)$  is the density of standard normal distribution, and  $\beta \in [0,1]$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}$  and  $\theta \in \mathbf{R}$  are unknown parameters.

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#### Value

pvals

P-value of the corresponding test statistic.

#### References

Andrews, D. W. K. and Ploberger, W. (1994). Optimal tests when a nuisance parameter is present only under the alternative. Econometrica, 62(6):1383-1414.

Davies, R. B. (1977). Hypothesis testing when a nuisance parameter is present only under the alternative. Biometrika, 64(2):247-254.

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# **Examples**

```
data(simulatedData_mixnorm)
pvals <- pval_mixnorm(y = data_mixnorm, method = "wast")
pvals

pvals <- pval_mixnorm(y = data_mixnorm, method = "sst")
pvals

pvals <- pval_mixnorm(y = data_mixnorm, method = "davies", alpha = 0)
pvals</pre>
```

pval\_mixpoiss

P-value for subgroup test in Poission mixture models

## **Description**

Provide p-value for subgroup test in Poission mixture models, including two methods 'wast' and 'sst'.

# Usage

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## **Arguments**

The data.

There are three methods, including the proposed 'wast', 'sst', and 'davies'. Refer method 'davies' to Davies (1977, 1987) which is only avaliable for known true parameter  $\alpha=\alpha_0$ .

M An integer, the number of bootstrap samples.

K An integer, the number of threshold values for 'sst' and 'davies'.

lambda The rate parameter  $\lambda$  of weight that is a Gamma distribution.

tau The shape parameter  $\tau$  of weight that is a Gamma distribution.

Alpha Mean under the null. Default is NULL, in which the mean  $\alpha$  is eatimeted by the

#### **Details**

Poisson mixture model

$$f(y) = (1 - \beta) \frac{\alpha^y \exp(-\alpha)}{y!} + \beta \frac{\theta^y \exp(-\theta)}{y!},$$

where  $\beta \in [0, 1]$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}$  and  $\theta \in \mathbf{R}$  are unknown parameters.

sample mean.

#### Value

pvals P-value of the corresponding test statistic.

#### References

Andrews, D. W. K. and Ploberger, W. (1994). Optimal tests when a nuisance parameter is present only under the alternative. Econometrica, 62(6):1383-1414.

Davies, R. B. (1977). Hypothesis testing when a nuisance parameter is present only under the alternative. Biometrika, 64(2):247-254.

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```
data(simulatedData_mixpoiss)
pvals <- pval_mixpoiss(y = data_mixpoiss, method = "wast")
pvals

pvals <- pval_mixpoiss(y = data_mixpoiss, method = "sst")
pvals</pre>
```

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```
pvals <- pval_mixpoiss(y = data_mixpoiss, method = "davies", alpha = 1)
pvals</pre>
```

pval\_probit

P-value for subgroup test in probit regression models

# Description

Provide p-value for subgroup test in probit regression models, including two methods 'wast' and 'sst'.

# Usage

# Arguments

data	A list, including $Y$ (response), $X$ (baseline variable), $Z$ (grouping difference variable), and $U$ (grouping variable).
method	There are two methods, including the proposed 'wast' and 'sst'.
М	An integer, the number of bootstrap samples.
К	An integer, the number of threshold values for 'sst'.
isBeta	A bool value. The weight $w(\gamma)$ is chosen to be Beta distribution if <code>isBeta=TRUE</code> , which can be used if the grouping difference variable is bounded in $[0,1]$ . Default is FALSE.
shape1	The first parameter of Best distribution if isBeta = TRUE.
shape2	The second parameter of Best distribution if isBeta = TRUE.

# **Details**

Probit regression models

$$f(\mathbf{V}_i) = \Phi(h(\mathbf{V}_i, \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\theta}))^{Y_i} + \Phi(-h(\mathbf{V}_i, \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\theta}))^{1-Y_i},$$

where  $\Phi(\cdot)$  is the cumulative distribution function of standard normal distribution, and

$$h(V_i, \alpha, \beta, \theta) = X_i \alpha + Z_i^T \beta 1(U_i^T \theta \ge 0).$$

# Value

pvals P-value of the corresponding test statistic.

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## **Examples**

```
data(simulatedData_probit)
pvals <- pval_probit(data = data_probit, method = "wast")
pvals

pvals <- pval_probit(data = data_probit, method = "sst")
pvals</pre>
```

pval\_quantile

P-value for subgroup test in quantile regression models

# Description

Provide p-value for subgroup test in quantile regression models, including two methods 'wast' and 'sst'.

# Usage

# **Arguments**

data	A list, including $Y$ (response), $X$ (baseline variable), $Z$ (grouping difference variable), and $U$ (grouping variable).
method	There are two methods, including the proposed 'wast' and 'sst'.
tau	The given quantile $\tau$ , a scale in the unit inteval.
М	An integer, the number of bootstrap samples.
K	An integer, the number of threshold values for 'sst'.
isBeta	A bool value. The weight $w(\gamma)$ is chosen to be Beta distribution if <code>isBeta=TRUE</code> , which can be used if the grouping difference variable is bounded in $[0,1]$ . Default is FALSE.
shape1	The first parameter of Best distribution if isBeta = TRUE.
shape2	The second parameter of Best distribution if isBeta = TRUE.

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#### **Details**

Quantile regression models

$$Q_{Y_i}(\tau|\boldsymbol{X}_i,\boldsymbol{Z}_i,\boldsymbol{U}_i) = \boldsymbol{X}_i^T \boldsymbol{\alpha}(\tau) + \boldsymbol{Z}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta}(\tau) \mathbf{1}(\boldsymbol{U}_i^T \boldsymbol{\theta}(\tau) \ge 0).$$

#### Value

pvals

P-value of the corresponding test statistic.

#### References

Andrews, D. W. K. and Ploberger, W. (1994). Optimal tests when a nuisance parameter is present only under the alternative. Econometrica, 62(6):1383-1414.

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## **Examples**

```
data(simulatedData_quantile)
pvals <- pval_quantile(data = data_quantile, tau = 0.5, method = "wast")
pvals

pvals <- pval_quantile(data = data_quantile, tau = 0.3, method = "wast")
pvals</pre>
```

pval\_semiparam

P-value for subgroup test in semiparamtric models

# **Description**

Provide p-value for subgroup test in semiparamtric models, including two methods 'wast' and 'sst'.

# Usage

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## **Arguments**

data	A list, including $Y$ (response), $A$ (treatment indicator), $X1$ and $X2$ (baseline variables), $Z$ (grouping difference variable), and $U$ (grouping variable).
method	There are two methods, including the proposed 'wast' and 'sst'.
М	An integer, the number of bootstrap samples.
K	An integer, the number of threshold values for 'sst'.
isBeta	A bool value. The weight $w(\gamma)$ is chosen to be Beta distribution if isBeta=TRUE, which can be used if the grouping difference variable is bounded in $[0,1]$ . Default is FALSE.
shape1	The first parameter of Best distribution if isBeta = TRUE.
shape2	The second parameter of Best distribution if isBeta = TRUE.

## **Details**

Semiparamtric models (see details in my paper Liu (2022))

$$Y_i = h(\boldsymbol{X}_{1i}) + A_i \boldsymbol{Z}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta} \mathbf{1}(\boldsymbol{U}_i^T \boldsymbol{\theta} \ge 0) + \epsilon_i,$$

where  $h(X_1)$  is an unknown baseline mean function for patients in treatment A=0 which can be set a linear function  $h(X_1)=X_1^T\boldsymbol{\alpha}_1$ , and  $P(A=1|X_2)$  can be modeled by a logistic regression model

$$P(A=1|\boldsymbol{X}_2)=\pi(\boldsymbol{X}_2,\boldsymbol{\alpha}_2)=\frac{\exp\{\boldsymbol{X}_2^T\boldsymbol{\alpha}_2\}}{1+\exp\{\boldsymbol{X}_2^T\boldsymbol{\alpha}_2\}}.$$

## Value

pvals P-value of the corresponding test statistic.

#### References

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```
data(simulatedData_semiparam)
pvals <- pval_semiparam(data = data_semiparam, method = "wast")
pvals

pvals <- pval_semiparam(data = data_semiparam, method = "sst")
pvals</pre>
```

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simulatedData

Simulated data from the framework of general estimating equations

## **Description**

Simulated data from the framework of general estimating equations, including model

- 'Gaussian mixture' (simulatedData\_mixnorm),
- 'Exponential mixture' (simulatedData\_mixexp),
- 'Poission mixture' (simulatedData\_mixpoiss),
- 'Quantile regression' (simulatedData\_quantile),
- 'Probit regression' (simulatedData\_probit), and
- 'Semiparamtric models' (simulatedData\_semiparam).

## Usage

data(simulatedData\_probit)

#### **Details**

We simulated data generated from general estimating equations, for instance, Probit regression models

$$f(\mathbf{V}_i) = \Phi(h(\mathbf{V}_i, \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\theta}))^{Y_i} + \Phi(-h(\mathbf{V}_i, \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\theta}))^{1-Y_i},$$

where  $\Phi(\cdot)$  is the cumulative distribution function of standard normal distribution, and

$$h(V_i, \alpha, \beta, \theta) = X_i \alpha + Z_i^T \beta 1(U_i^T \theta \ge 0).$$

- Y: the response, an n-vector
- X: the baseline variable with dimension  $n \times p$
- Z: the grouping difference variable with dimension  $n \times q$
- U: the grouping variable with dimension  $n \times r$

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```
data(simulatedData_probit)
y <- data_probit$Y[1:5]
x <- dim(data_probit$X)
z <- dim(data_probit$Z)
u <- dim(data_probit$U)

data(simulatedData_semiparam)
y <- data_semiparam$Y[1:5]
x1 <- dim(data_semiparam$X1)
x2 <- dim(data_semiparam$X2)
z <- dim(data_semiparam$Z)
u <- dim(data_semiparam$U)</pre>
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