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Description

Permutation test for comparing growth curves across tow groups under dependent right censoring.

Usage

```
aucVardiTest(meas, grp, tim=NULL, cgrps=NULL, nperm=5000)
```

Arguments

| meas | Matrix of measurements where the rows are the subjects and columns the time- points. At least one value should not be missing in each row. For example they can be tumor sizes measured over time. |
|-------|--|
| grp | Group indicator for each subject. There must be at least two different groups. This can represent each subject's treatment. |
| tim | Times at which the measurements in meas are taken. If missing, the times are set to 1 through ncol(meas). |
| cgrps | The two groups that are being compared. If missing the first two groups will be compared. |
| nperm | Number of permutations for the reference distribution. |

Details

The test statistic is defined as the sum of pairwise differences in the partial areas under the growth curve. For each pair of subjects the partial area is computed until the smaller of the maximum followup times. For each subject, linear interpolation is is used to fill-in missing values prior to the maximum followup time. The reference distribution of obtained by permuting the group labels.

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Value

returns a list with objects ostat, pstat and p.value which are the observed test statistic for the two groups being compared, values of the statistics when the group labels are permuted

References

Vardi Y., Ying Z. and Zhang C.H. (2001). Two-Sample Tests for Growth Curves under Dependent Right Censoring. *Biometrika* 88, 949-960.

Examples

```
grp <- sample(1:3, 100, replace=TRUE)
grp0 <- LETTERS[grp]
maxfup <- sample(5:20, 100, replace=TRUE)
meas <- matrix(NA, 100, 20)
for(i in 1:100) {
    meas[i, 1:maxfup[i]] <- cumsum((3+0.04*grp[i]) + rnorm(maxfup[i]))
}
aucVardiTest(meas, grp)
aucVardiTest(meas, grp0, cgrps=c("C","B"))</pre>
```

calogrank

Survival curves analysis of covariance

Description

Logrank test to compare survival curves adjusting for covariates

Usage

```
calogrank(ftime, fstatus, grp, cvt, strat=NULL)
```

Arguments

| ftime | failure times |
|---------|--|
| fstatus | status indicator |
| grp | group indicator |
| cvt | continuous covariates used for adjusted analysis |
| strat | stratification variable |

Details

calogrank is the covariate adjusted version of k-sample survdiff. The function in its current form only does basic error checking.

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References

Heller G. and Venkatraman E.S. (2004) A nonparametric test to compare survival distributions with covariate adjustment. *JRSS-B* 66, 719-733.

Examples

coxphCPE

Gonen \& Heller Concordance Probability Estimate

Description

Calculates the Concordance Probability Estimate for a Cox model.

Usage

```
coxphCPE(phfit)
```

Arguments

phfit

output from a proportional hazards fit.

Value

coxphCPE returns a vector with CPE, smooth.CPE & se.CPE which are the estimate, the smoothed estimate and its standard error respectively.

References

Gonen M and Heller G. (2005) Concordance probability and discriminatory power in proportional hazards regression. *Biometrika* 92, 965-970.

```
## Not run: library(survival)
  data(pbc)
  pbcfit <- coxph(Surv(time, status==2) ~ trt + log(copper), pbc,
    subset=(trt>0 & copper>0))
  coxphCPE(pbcfit)
## End(Not run)
```

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| coxphERR | Heller Explained Relative Risk | |
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Description

Calculates the contribution of a subset of covariates to the explained relative risk derived from the full Cox proportional hazards model.

Usage

```
coxphERR(phfit, ngamma=NULL)
```

Arguments

phfit The output from a proportional hazards fit.

ngamma A vector of indices corresponding to covariates of interest. If missing (default),

the explained relative risk is computed for the full model.

Details

The object phfit should be the result of a call to coxph with the option x=TRUE.

Value

The function coxphERR returns the vector (ERR, se.ERR). The first component ERR represents the contribution of a subset of covariates to the explained relative risk estimate of the full model. If a set of covariates is not provided, then it computes the estimate of the full model. The second component se.ERR is the standard error of the estimate.

References

Heller G. (2012) A measure of explained risk in the proportional hazards model. *Biostatistics*

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| coxphQuantile | Survival time quantile as a function of covariate | |
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Description

Draws a quantile curve of survival distribution as a function of covariate.

Usage

```
coxphQuantile(phfit, xrange, p=0.5, whichx=1, otherx=NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

| phfit | output from a proportional hazards fit. |
|--------|---|
| xrange | the range of covariate values for which the quantiles of survival times are computed. |
| p | the probability level for the quantile (default is median). |
| whichx | if there are more than one covariates in the Cox model, the one chosen for the quantile plot. |
| otherx | the values for other covariates in the Cox model. If missing uses their average values. |
| | additional parameters to be passed on to the lines command. |

Details

This function is used to draw quantile curves. It requires a plot of the data (time & covariate of interest) to be present. See example.

It invisibly returns the observed failure times and the covariate values at which the estimated survival probability is (exactly) p.

References

Heller G. and Simonoff J.S. (1992) Prediction in censored survival data: A comparison of the proportional hazards and linear regression models. *Biometrics* 48, 101-115.

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Comparing the AUC from ROC curves from nested binary regression

Description

Conducts the test

Usage

```
deltaAUC(y, x, z)
```

Arguments

| У | binary response variable |
|---|---|
| Х | matrix of set of covariates that is the basis of the existing (reduced) model |
| Z | matrix of set of covariates that are added to to get the new (full) model |

Details

The models are fit using maximum rank correlation (MRC) method which is an alternate approach to logistic regression. In MRC the area under the ROC curve (AUC) is maximized as opposed to the likelihood in logistic regression. Due to invariance of AUC to location and scale shifts one of the parameters (anchor variable) is set to 1.

The first variable (column) in x is used as the anchor variable.

The IPMN data set used as an example in the paper below is included. The columns are high risk lesion (V1), recent weight loss (V2), main duct involvement (V4), presence of a solid component in imaging (V3), and lesion size (V5).

Value

It returns a list with the following elements

par.full the MRC estimate of parameters for the full model
par.red the MRC estimate of parameters for the reduced model
results matrix od results which gives the full reduced model AUCs along with the test statistic and p-value

References

Heller G., Seshan V.E., Moskowitz C.S. and Gonen M. (2016) Inference for the difference in the area under the ROC curve derived from nested binary regression models. *Biostatistics* 18, 260-274.

```
data(ipmn)
deltaAUC(ipmn$V1, cbind(ipmn$V4, ipmn$V3, ipmn$V5), ipmn$V2)
```

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| fedesign <i>Tric</i> | l Designs Based On Fisher's Exact Test |
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Description

Calculates sample size, effect size and power based on Fisher's exact test

Usage

```
fe.ssize(p1, p2, alpha=0.05, power=0.8, r=1, npm=5, mmax=1000)
CPS.ssize(p1, p2, alpha=0.05, power=0.8, r=1)
fe.mdor(ncase, ncontrol, pcontrol, alpha=0.05, power=0.8)
mdrr(n, cprob, presp, alpha=0.05, power=0.8, niter=15)
fe.power(d, n1, n2, p1, alpha = 0.05)
or2pcase(pcontrol, OR)
```

Arguments

| p1 | response rate of standard treatment |
|----------|---|
| p2 | response rate of experimental treatment |
| d | difference = p2-p1 |
| pcontrol | control group probability |
| n1 | sample size for the standard treatment group |
| n2 | sample size for the standard treatment group |
| ncontrol | control group sample size |
| ncase | case group sample size |
| alpha | size of the test (default 5%) |
| power | power of the test (default 80%) |
| r | treatments are randomized in 1:r ratio (default r=1) |
| npm | the sample size program searches for sample sizes in a range (+/- npm) to get the exact power |
| mmax | the maximum group size for which exact power is calculated |
| n | total number of subjects |
| cprob | proportion of patients who are marger positive |
| presp | probability of response in all subjects |
| niter | number of iterations in binary search |
| OR | odds-ratio |

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Details

CPS.ssize returns Casagrande, Pike, Smith sample size which is a very close to the exact. Use this for small differences p2-p1 (hence large sample sizes) to get the result instantaneously.

Since Fisher's exact test orders the tables by their probability the test is naturally two-sided.

fe.ssize return a 2x3 matrix with CPS and Fisher's exact sample sizes with power.

fe.mdor return a 3x2 matrix with Schlesselman, CPS and Fisher's exact minimum detectable odds ratios and the corresponding power.

fe.power returns a Kx2 matrix with probabilities (p2) and exact power.

mdrr computes the minimum detectable P(resplmarker+) and P(resplmarker-) configurations when total sample size (n), P(response) (presp) and proportion of subjects who are marker positive (cprob) are specified.

or2pcase give the probability of disease among the cases for a given probability of disease in controls (pcontrol) and odds-ratio (OR).

References

Casagrande, JT., Pike, MC. and Smith PG. (1978). An improved approximate formula for calculating sample sizes for comparing two binomial distributions. *Biometrics* 34, 483-486.

Fleiss, J. (1981) Statistical Methods for Rates and Proportions.

Schlesselman, J. (1987) Re: Smallest Detectable Relative Risk With Multiple Controls Per Case. *Am. J. Epi.*

gsdesign

Group Sequential Designs

Description

Functions to calculate sample size for group sequential designs

Usage

```
gsdesign.binomial(ifrac, pC, pE, r = 1, sig.level = 0.05, power = 0.8,
  delta.eb=0.5, delta.fb = NULL, alternative = c("two.sided",
  "one.sided"), pooled.variance = FALSE, CPS = TRUE, tol=0.00001, ...)
gsdesign.normal(ifrac, delta, sd = 1, r = 1, sig.level = 0.05,
  power = 0.8, delta.eb = 0.5, delta.fb = NULL, alternative =
  c("two.sided", "one.sided"), tol=0.00001, ...)
gsdesign.survival(ifrac, haz.ratio, r = 1, sig.level = 0.05,
  power = 0.8, delta.eb = 0.5, delta.fb = NULL, alternative =
  c("two.sided", "one.sided"), tol=0.00001, ...)
```

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Arguments

ifrac information fraction or the ratio of current sample size or number of events to the total sample size or number of events. This should be an increasing vector of numbers from 0 to 1 with the last one being 1. If just 1 is given a fixed sample design is derived. рС prob of success of the standard therapy (for binomial data) prob of success of the experimental therapy (for binomial data) рΕ true difference in means (for normal data) delta standard deviation (for normal data) sd hazard ratio (for survival comparison) haz.ratio treatment allocation of r (default=1) experimental per 1 control. sig.level significance level (type I error probability) power power of test (1 minus type II error probability) delta.eb power for efficacy boundary in the Pocock (=0) to O'Brien-Fleming (=0.5) fam-

ily (default is 0.5)

delta.fb power for futility boundary in the Pocock (=0) to O'Brien-Fleming (=0.5) family

(default is NULL i.e. no futility boundary is requested.)

alternative one- or two-sided test.

pooled.variance

whether the test statistic is standardized by pooled (2*pbar*(1-pbar)) or unpooled variance (pC*(1-pC) + pE*(1-pE)). Default is unpooled variance.

CPS whether continuity correction is used for sample size calculation as in Casagrande,

Pike & Smith. Default is to use it.

tol tolerance level for multivariate normal probability computation.

... additional options passed on the pmvnorm function.

Details

The futility boundary is not returned when delta.fb is not specified i.e. stopping for futility is not requested. The futility boundary is non-binding. That is the significance level is not adjusted to account for early stopping for utility. This makes the test a bit conservative in that the true size is less than the nominal level.

The Casagrande-Pike-Smith type continuity correction is obtained using the formula $n*1 + \sqrt{1+4/abs(pC-pE)}$ where n is the uncorrected sample size.

Value

a list with ifrac, sig.level, power, alternative, delta.eb, delta.fb and:

efbdry the critical value to use at the different looks.

futbdry the critical value to use at the different looks.

sample.size the sample size per arm for binomial/normal data.

num.events the total number of failures which should be converted to number of subjects

using censoring proportion.

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Exact/permutation version of Jonckheere-Terpstra test

Description

Jonckheere-Terpstra test to test for ordered differences among classes

Usage

Arguments

x, g data and group vector

alternative means are monotonic (two.sided), increasing, or decreasing

nperm number of permutations for the reference distribution. The default is null in

which case the permutation p-value is not computed. Recommend that the user

set nperm to be 1000 or higher if permutation p-value is desired.

Details

jonckheere.test is the exact (permutation) version of the Jonckheere-Terpstra test. It uses the statistic

$$\sum_{k < l} \sum_{ij} I(X_{ik} < X_{jl}) + 0.5I(X_{ik} = X_{jl}),$$

where i, j are observations in groups k and l respectively. The asymptotic version is equivalent to cor.test(x, g, method="k"). The exact calculation requires that there be no ties and that the sample size is less than 100. When data are tied and sample size is at most 100 permutation p-value is returned.

References

Jonckheere, A. R. (1954). A distribution-free k-sample test again ordered alternatives. *Biometrika* 41:133-145.

Terpstra, T. J. (1952). The asymptotic normality and consistency of Kendall's test against trend, when ties are present in one ranking. *Indagationes Mathematicae* 14:327-333.

```
set.seed(1234)
g <- rep(1:5, rep(10,5))
x <- rnorm(50)
jonckheere.test(x+0.3*g, g)
x[1:2] <- mean(x[1:2]) # tied data
jonckheere.test(x+0.3*g, g)
jonckheere.test(x+0.3*g, g, nperm=5000)</pre>
```

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ktau

Kendall's tau-b estimate

Description

Calculates the Kendall's tau-b.

Usage

```
ktau(x, y)
```

Arguments

x first variabley second variable

Details

ktau computes the same quantity as cor(x, y, method="kendall"). It uses a faster algorithm than pairwise comparisons used by cor.

Value

ktau returns Kendall's tau-b.

Examples

```
set.seed(1234)
x <- rnorm(10000); y <- x+rnorm(10000)
cor(x, y, method="k")
clinfun:::ktau(x,y)</pre>
```

oc.twostage.bdry

Two-stage boundary operating characteristics

Description

Calculates the operating characteristics of a two-stage boundary.

Usage

```
oc.twostage.bdry(pu, pa, r1, n1, r, n)
```

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Arguments

| pu | unacceptable response rate |
|----|--|
| pa | response rate that is desirable |
| r1 | first stage threshold to declare treatment undesirable |
| n1 | first stage sample size |
| r | overall threshold to declare treatment undesirable |
| n | total sample size |

Value

oc.twostage.bdry returns the type I and II error rates as well as the probability of early temination and expected sample size under pu for a specific boundary.

| mlogrank Permutation version of survdiff |
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Description

Small sample survdiff using permutation reference distributions.

Usage

```
permlogrank(formula, data, subset, na.action, rho=0, nperm=5000)
```

Arguments

```
nperm number of permutations for the reference distribution formula, data, subset, na.action, rho see survdiff for details
```

Details

permlogrank is the permutation version of k-sample survdiff. see survdiff in survival package for details.

References

Heller G, Venkatraman ES. (1996). Resampling procedures to compare two survival distributions in the presence of right censored data. *Biometrics* 52:1204-1213.

ph2simon

ph2simon

Simon's 2-stage Phase II design

Description

Calculates Optimal and Minimax 2-stage Phase II designs given by Richard Simon

Usage

```
ph2simon(pu, pa, ep1, ep2, nmax=100)
## S3 method for class 'ph2simon'
print(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'ph2simon'
plot(x, ...)
```

Arguments

| pu | unacceptable response rate |
|------|--|
| ра | response rate that is desirable |
| ep1 | threshold for the probability of declaring drug desirable under p0 |
| ep2 | threshold for the probability of rejecting the drug under p1 |
| nmax | maximum total sample size (default 100; can be at most 500) |
| x | object returned by ph2simon |
| | arguments to be passed onto plot and print commands called within |

Value

ph2simon returns a list with pu, pa, alpha, beta and nmax as above and:

out matrix of best 2 stage designs for each value of total sample size n. the 6 columns are: r1, r

Trial is stopped early if \leq r1 responses are seen in the first stage and treatment is considered desirable only when >r responses seen.

The "print" method formats and returns the minimax and optimal designs. The "plot" plots the expected sample size agains the maximum sample size as in Jung et al., 2001

References

Simon R. (1989). Optimal Two-Stage Designs for Phase II Clinical Trials. *Controlled Clinical Trials* 10, 1-10.

Jung SH, Carey M and Kim KM. (2001). Graphical Search for Two-Stage Designs for Phase II Clinical Trials. *Controlled Clinical Trials* 22, 367-372.

See Also

```
twostage.inference, oc.twostage.bdry
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Examples

```
ph2simon(0.2, 0.4, 0.1, 0.1)
ph2simon(0.2, 0.35, 0.05, 0.05)
ph2simon(0.2, 0.35, 0.05, 0.05, nmax=150)
```

ph2single

Exact single stage Phase II design

Description

Calculates the exact one stage Phase II design

Usage

```
ph2single(pu,pa,ep1,ep2,nsoln=5)
```

Arguments

| pu | unacceptable response rate |
|-------|--|
| ра | response rate that is desirable |
| ep1 | threshold for the probability of declaring drug desirable under p0 |
| ep2 | threshold for the probability of rejecting the drug under p1 |
| nsoln | number of designs with given alpha and beta |

Value

ph2single returns a data frame with variables: n, r, and the Type I and Type II errors. Treatment desirable if >r respenses seen.

power.ladesign

Power of k-sample rank test under Lehmann alternative

Description

Functions to calculate the power of rank tests for animal studies.

Usage

```
power.ladesign(gsize, odds.ratio, sig.level = 0.05, statistic =
    c("Kruskal-Wallis", "Jonckheere-Terpstra"), alternative =
    c("two.sided", "one.sided"), nrep=1e+6)
    ## S3 method for class 'ladesign'
print(x,...)
```

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Arguments

| gsize | sample size of the k (= length of vector) groups. |
|-------------|--|
| odds.ratio | odds ratio parameters for the k -1 groups. The first group is considered the control. |
| sig.level | the significance level of the test (default = 0.05) |
| statistic | the test statistic for the k-group comparison. Is one of Kruskal-Wallis (default) or Jonckeere-Terpstra. |
| alternative | one- or two-sided test. Valid only for the Jonckheere-Terpstra test. |
| nrep | number of reps (default 1 million) for Monte Carlo. |
| X | object of class ladesign returned by power.ladesign |
| | arguments to be passed on left for S3 method consistency. |

Details

Although the power for Jonckheere-Terpstra test is calculated for any set of odds ratio, the test is meant for monotone alternative. Thus it is preferable to specify odds ratios that are monotonically increasing with all values larger than 1 or decreasing with all values smaller than 1.

Value

returns a list with objects group.size, odds.ratio, statistic, sig.level and power. The "print" method formats the output.

References

Heller G. (2006). Power calculations for preclinical studies using a K-sample rank test and the Lehmann alternative hypothesis. *Statistics in Medicine* 25, 2543-2553.

Examples

```
power.ladesign(c(9,7), 4, statistic="K")
power.ladesign(c(9,7,9), c(2,4), statistic="J")
power.ladesign(c(9,7,9), c(2,4), statistic="J", alt="o")
```

pselect

Probability of selection under pick the winner rule

Description

Calculates the probability of selecting the treatment with the higher response rate under the pick the winner rule.

Usage

```
pselect(n, p, min.diff=NULL, min.resp=NULL)
```

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Arguments

sample size for each treatment arm. This is either a single integer or a vector n of two integers for the special case of comparing two treatments with unequal

sample sizes

vector of response rates for the treatments.

min.diff this is the number of responses or the rate by which the best treatment should

be superior to the others to be chosen. This must be a positive integer or a rate between 0 and 1. If missing it defaults to 1 for the equal sample size case but

quits with a warning for the unequal sample size case.

the minimum number of responses in each treatment arm for it to be considered min.resp

further. If missing defaults to 0.

Value

the function returns a list with:

prob.none.worthy

is the probability that no treatment has the minimum number of responses specified in min.resp. this element is present only if min.resp is greater than 0 for at least one arm.

prob.inconclusive

this is the probability that the best treatment has the requisite min.resp responses but exceeds the second best by less than min.diff responses (rate) provided the second best also has at least min.resp responses.

prob. selection this is a matrix which for each treatment gives the response probability and the probability of selecting it i.e. the number of responses in the chosen arm is at least min.resp and either none of the remaining arms exceed the min.resp threshold or the chosen (best) arm is better than the second best by at least min.diff responses (rate).

References

Simon R, Wittes RE, Ellenberg SS. (1985). Randomized phase II clinical trials. Cancer Treat Rep 69, 1375-1381.

```
# selection when no diffrence i.e. type I error
pselect(18, c(0.2, 0.2, 0.2))
# selection probability
pselect(18, c(0.2, 0.2, 0.4))
pselect(26, c(0.2, 0.2, 0.4), min.diff=2, min.resp=3)
# unequal sample size case
pselect(c(27,54), c(0.5, 0.65), min.diff=0.05)
# unequal sample size case
pselect(c(27,54), c(0.5, 0.65), min.diff=0.05, min.resp=c(14,27))
```

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| roc.area.test | Nonparametric area under the ROC curve |
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Description

Computes the nonparametric area under the ROC curve and its variance based on U-statistic theory (DDCP).

Usage

```
roc.area.test(markers, status)
## S3 method for class 'roc.area.test'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

markers The marker values for each subject. If there are more than one markers then this

should be a matrix.

status binary disease status indicator

x object of class roc.area.test output from this function.

... optional arguments to the print function.

Details

It calculates the area and its variance. For more than one marker it calculates the statistic to test for the equality of all AUCs. This statistic has a standard normal reference distribution for two variables and chi-square with number of variables minus 1.

Value

a list with the following elements

area estimated area.

var estimated variance (matrix).

stat test statistic for equality of AUCs. Is not returned when only one diagnostic

marker is present.

p.value the p-value for the test of equality (2-sided).

df the degrees of freedom of the chi-square.

The "print" method formats and returns the output.

References

DeLong, E. R., D. M. DeLong, and D. L. Clarke-Pearson. 1988. Comparing the areas under two or more correlated receiver operating characteristic curves: A nonparametric approach. *Biometrics* 44:837-845.

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Examples

```
g <- rep(0:1, 50)
x <- rnorm(100) + g
y <- rnorm(100) + g
z <- rnorm(100) + g
roc.area.test(cbind(x,y), g)
roc.area.test(cbind(x,y,z), g)
y1 <- y + 0.75*g
roc.area.test(cbind(x,y1), g)</pre>
```

roc.curve

Empirical ROC curve

Description

Computes the empricial ROC curve for a diagnostic tool.

Usage

```
roc.curve(marker, status, method=c("empirical"))
## S3 method for class 'roc.curve'
print(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'roc.curve'
plot(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'roc.curve'
lines(x, ...)
```

Arguments

| marker | the marker values for each subject. |
|--------|--|
| status | binary disease status indicator |
| method | the method for estimating the ROC curve. Currently only the empirical curve is implemented. $$ |
| x | object of class roc.area.test output from this function. |
| | optional arguments to the print, plot and lines functions. |

Details

The computation is based on assuming that larger values of the marker is indicative of the disease. So for a given threshold x0, TPR is P(marker >= x0|status = 1) and FPR is P(marker >= x0|status = 0). This function computes the empirical estimates of TPR and FPR.

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Value

a list with the following elements

tpr true positive rates for all thresholds.

fpr true positive rates for all thresholds.

marker the diagnostic marker being studied.

status binary disease

The "print" method returns the nonparametric AUC and its s.e.

The "plot" and "lines" methods can be used to draw a new plot and add to an existing plot of ROC curve.

Examples

```
g <- rep(0:1, 50)
x <- rnorm(100) + g
y <- rnorm(100) + 1.5*g
o <- roc.curve(x, g)
plot(o)
lines(roc.curve(y, g), col=2)</pre>
```

roc.perm.test

Permutation test to compare ROC curve

Description

Computes the test statistic and permutation reference distribution for comparing paired or unpaired ROC curves.

Usage

Arguments

marker marker values for each subject. status binary disease status indicator.

marker2 second diagnostic marker for the same subjects (paired).
group indicator of which diagnostic test was used (unpaired).
nperm number of permutations for the reference distribution.

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| mp | mixing proportion for the unpaired case when proportion of diseased subjects can differ. |
|----|--|
| Х | object of class roc.perm.test output from this function. |
| | optional arguments to print and plot functions. |

Details

This function implements the permutation method described in the Venkatraman and Begg (1996) paper for the paired case and the Venkatraman (2000) paper for the unpaired case.

The function detects whether the data are paired or unpaired by testing which of the options marker2 and group is specified. If both are missing it will stop with an error message. At present exactly one should be missing.

Value

an object of class roc.perm.test with the following elements

ostat test statistic from the observed data.

pstat test statistic from permuted data.

p.value the p-value for the test of equality (2-sided).

The "print" method formats and returns the statistic and p-value. The "plot" method plots the density from the permutation reference distribution and marks the location of the observed statistic.

References

Venkatraman, E.S. and Begg, C.B. (1996). A distribution-free procedure for comparing receiver operating characteristic curves from a paired experiment. *Biometrika* 83, 835-848.

Venkatraman, E.S. (2000) A permutation test to compare receiver operating characteristic curves. *Biometrics* 56(4):1134-8.

```
d <- rep(0:1, 50)
x <- rnorm(100) + 1.2*d
y <- rnorm(100) + 1.2*d
oo <- roc.perm.test(x, d, marker2=y)
plot(oo)
oo <- roc.perm.test(c(x,y), c(d,d), group=rep(1:2,each=100))
plot(oo)</pre>
```

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Description

These functions can be used for nonparametric analysis of ROC curves.

Details

The relevant functions are roc.curve, roc.area.test and roc.perm.test. See the individual functions for usage details.

toxbdry

Stopping rule for toxicity/futility monitoring

Description

Computes a stopping rule and its operating characteristics for toxicity monitoring based repeated significance testing.

Usage

Arguments

| pLo | the toxicity rate that is acceptable. |
|------|--|
| rLo | baseline (null) response rate. |
| pHi | the toxicity rate that is too high and hence unacceptable. |
| rHi | desirable response rate. Stop when it is too unlikely. |
| n | vector of times (sample size) when toxicty/response is monitored. |
| r | vector of maximum acceptable toxicities (non-responders for futility) corresponding to n. |
| ptox | the toxicity rates for which the operating characteristics are calculated. For futility this is the non-response rate. |

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| cP0 | boundary crossing probability under pLo i.e. type I error or the probability of declaring a treatment with toxicity rate pLo unacceptable. |
|----------|--|
| cP1 | boundary crossing probability under pHi i.e. power or the probability of declaring a treatment with toxicity rate pHi unacceptable. |
| size | probability of calling drug effective if response rate is rLo. |
| power | probability of calling drug effective if response rate is rHi. |
| ngrid | the number of toxicity rates from pLo to pHi for which the operating characteristics are computed. |
| niter | the number of iterations run to obtain the boundary. |
| delta | power determining the shape of the boundary. Should be between 0 (default) and 0.5. |
| priority | the error threshold to prioritize when the max sample size is too small to have both error thresholds satisfied. Default is the null i.e. error under pLo. |
| х | object returned by the function toxbdry. |
| | additional arguments to print. |

Details

Default value of boundary shape corresponds to the Pocock boundary where the same significance level is used for all looks. For a more conservative stopping rule use delta greater than 0 where 0.5 corresponds to the O'Brien-Fleming boundary which is extremely conservative in the early looks. Value between 0.1 and 0.2 is a reasonable compromise.

The exact calculations in this function are done along the lines of the method in Chapter 12 of Jennison and Turnbull (2000). Ivanova, Qaqish and Schell (2005) have an illustrative paper.

Value

the function returns a list with:

| looks | when toxicty is monitored - same as input n. |
|------------|--|
| lo.bdry | lower boundary is a vector of maximum acceptable number of toxicities corresponding the number of subjects in n. The boundary crossing probability for this is slightly above cP0. |
| hi.bdry | upper boundary is a vector of maximum acceptable number of toxicities corresponding the number of subjects in n. The boundary crossing probability for this is slightly below cP0. |
| bdry.oc | the operating characteristics i.e the toxicity rate, the probability of crossing, stopping (i.e. cross before the last observation) and the expected sample size for both the low (lo) and high (hi) boundaries. |
| bdry.alpha | the alpha levels for testing at each look for the two boundaries. |

stopping for toxicity is done when the number of toxicities exceeda the boundary i.e. the boundary gives the maximum acceptable number.

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References

Jennison C and Turnbull BW. (2000). Group Sequential Methods with Applications to Clinical Trials. *Chapman and Hall/CRC*

Ivanova A, Qaqish BF and Schell MJ. (2005). Continuous Toxicity Monitoring in Phase II Trials in Oncology. *Biometrics* 61, 540-545.

Examples

```
toxbdry(0.2, 0.35, c(20,40,60,75))
toxbdry(0.2, 0.3, c(20,40,60,75), cP0=0.15, cP1=0.8)
# continuous monitoring
toxbdry(0.1, 0.3, 2:30)
# prioritize cP1 error threshold
toxbdry(0.1, 0.3, 2:25, priority="alt")
```

twostage.admissible

Admissible design options between Minimax and Optimal

Description

Lists the admissible design options between

Usage

```
twostage.admissible(x)
```

Arguments

Χ

output from ph2simon call

Value

two stage admissible returns design options that are admissible (Jung et al, 2004). The output is a matrix with 8 columns: r1, n1, r, n, EN(p0), PET(p0), qLo, qHi. The columns qLo and qHi give the range of probability values for which the particular design is admissible.

References

Jung SH, Lee T, Kim K, and George, SL. (2004). Admissible two-stage designs for phase II cancer clinical trials. *Statistics in medicine* 23(4), 561-569.

```
oo = ph2simon(0.5, 0.7, 0.05, 0.1)
twostage.admissible(oo)
```

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| twostage.inference Inference following a two-stage design for binary response | twostage.inference | Inference following a two-stage design for binary response | |
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Description

Calculates the p-value, UMVUE and CI for the data from a study using a two stage design for response.

Usage

```
twostage.inference(x, r1, n1, n, pu, alpha=0.05)
```

Arguments

| x | number of responses observed at the end of the study |
|-------|--|
| r1 | first stage threshold to declare treatment undesirable |
| n1 | first stage sample size |
| n | total sample size |
| pu | unacceptable response rate (null hypothesis) |
| alpha | the confidence level. For consistency with the design use the same value from the design. (default is 0.05) |

Value

two stage inference returns the UMVUE (Jung & Kim, 2004), p-value and CI (Koyama & Chen, 2008). The CI has confidence level 1-2*alpha and the one-sided (1-alpha) interval consistent with the design is obtained by changing the upper confidence limit (UCL) to 1.

References

Jung SH and Kim KM. (2004). On the estimation of the binomial probability in multistage clinical trials. *Statistics in Medicine* 23, 881-896.

Koyama T and Chen H. (2008). Proper inference from Simon's two-stage designs. *Statistics in Medicine* 27, 3145-3154.

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