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# Description

aids

The aids data frame has 4 rows and 4 columns.

On February 15, 1991, the *New York Times* published the results of a study on the presence of AIDS symptoms and AZT use. The data were cross-classified according to the race of the patients.

AIDS Symptoms and AZT Use Data

# Usage

data(aids)

# Format

This data frame contains the following columns:

yes the number of patients with AIDS symptoms; no the number of patients without AIDS symptoms; azt an indicator variable for AZT use; race an indicator variable for the race (w=white, b=black).

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# **Source**

The data were obtained from the New York Times (2/15/91).

# **Examples**

```
data(aids)
summary(aids)
```

airway

Airway Data

# **Description**

The airway data frame has 35 rows and 6 columns.

Study to compare two devices (tracheal tube and laryngeal mask) used to secure airway in patients undergoing surgery. The response variable is the presence of a sore throat. Further information on age, sex, use of a lubricant, and duration of the surgery is available.

# Usage

```
data(airway)
```

# **Format**

This data frame contains the following columns:

```
response an indicator variable for sore throat (1=yes, 0=no); type the type of airway used (1=tracheal tube, 0=laryngeal mask); age the age of the patient (in years); sex an indicator variable for sex (1=male, 0=female); lubricant an indicator variable for lubricant use (1=yes, 0=no); duration the duration of the surgery (in minutes).
```

### **Source**

The data were obtained from

"Binary Data" by D. Collet in Encyclopedia of Biostatistics (1998).

# **Examples**

```
data(airway)
summary(airway)
par(mfrow=c(1,2))
plot(age ~ response, data = airway)
plot(duration ~ response, data = airway)
```

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Crying Babies Data

# **Description**

The babies data frame has 36 rows and 4 columns.

Matched pairs of binary observations concerning the crying of babies. The babies were observed on 18 days and on each day one child was lulled. Interest focuses on the treatment effect "lulling".

# Usage

```
data(babies)
```

### **Format**

This data frame contains the following columns:

```
r1 number of children not crying on one day;
```

r2 number of children crying on one day;

lull indicator variable for the treatment;

day factor variable for the days.

### **Source**

The data were obtained from

```
Cox, D. R. (1970) Analysis of Binary Data (page 61). London: Chapman \& Hall.
```

# References

Davison, A. C. (1988) Approximate conditional inference in generalized linear models. *J. R. Statist. Soc.* B, **50**, 445–461.

# **Examples**

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C1 Six Herbicide Data Sets

# Description

The C1-C4, M2 and M4 data frames have 40 to 72 rows and three columns.

Six bioassay on the action of the herbicides chlorsulfuron and metsulfuron methyl on the callus area of colonies of *Brassica napus L*. The experiments consist of measurements for different dose levels and can be balanced (C4, M2) or unbalanced (C1, C2, C3, M4).

# Usage

```
data(C1)
data(C2)
data(C3)
data(C4)
data(M2)
data(M4)
```

# **Format**

These data frame contain the following columns:

```
group indicator variable for each tested dose; dose the tested dose (nmol/l); area the callus area (mm^2).
```

### Note

Data sets C3 and chlorsulfuron are the same. Data sets M2 and metsulfuron are the same.

### Source

The data were obtained from

Seiden, P., Kappel, D. and Streibig, J. C. (1998) Response of *Brassica napus L*. tissue culture to metsulfuron methyl and chlorsulfuron. *Weed Research*, **38**, 221–228.

### References

Bellio, R., Jensen, J.E. and Seiden, P. (2000). Applications of likelihood asymptotics for nonlinear regression in herbicide bioassays. *Biometrics*, **56**, 1204–1212.

Brazzale, A. R. (2000) *Practical Small-Sample Parametric Inference*. Ph.D. Thesis N. 2230, Department of Mathematics, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne. Section 5.3, Example 8.

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# See Also

chlorsulfuron, metsulfuron

# **Examples**

```
data(C3)
attach(C3)
plot(dose, area, xlab = "tested dose (nmol/1)",
     ylab = "log callus area (mm^2)", log = "y")
detach()
```

chlorsulfuron

Chlorsulfuron Data

# **Description**

The chlorsulfuron data frame has 51 rows and 3 columns.

Bioassay on the action of the herbicide chlorsulfuron on the callus area of colonies of *Brassica napus L*. The experiment consists of 51 measurements for 10 different dose levels. The design is unbalanced: the number of replicates per dose varies from a minimum of 5 to a maximum of 8.

# Usage

```
data(chlorsulfuron)
```

# **Format**

This data frame contains the following columns:

```
group indicator variable for each tested dose; dose the tested dose (nmol/l); area the callus area (mm^2).
```

### **Source**

The data were obtained from

Seiden, P., Kappel, D. and Streibig, J. C. (1998) Response of *Brassica napus L*. tissue culture to metsulfuron methyl and chlorsulfuron. *Weed Research*, **38**, 221–228. Dataset C3.

# References

Bellio, R., Jensen, J.E. and Seiden, P. (2000). Applications of likelihood asymptotics for nonlinear regression in herbicide bioassays. *Biometrics*, **56**, 1204–1212.

Brazzale, A. R. (2000) *Practical Small-Sample Parametric Inference*. Ph.D. Thesis N. 2230, Department of Mathematics, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne. Section 5.3, Example 8.

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# **Examples**

```
data(chlorsulfuron)
attach(chlorsulfuron)
plot(dose, area, xlab = "tested dose (nmol/1)",
      ylab = "log callus area (mm^2)", log = "y")
detach()
```

cond

Approximate Conditional Inference - Generic Function

# **Description**

Performs approximate conditional inference.

# Usage

```
cond(object, offset, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

object

a fitted model object. Families supported are binomial and Poisson with canonical link function (class glm), and regression-scale models (class rsm).

offset

the covariate occurring in the model formula whose coefficient represents the parameter of interest. May be numerical or a two-level factor. In case of a two-level factor, it must be coded by contrasts and not appear as two dummy variables in the model. Can also be a call to a mathematical function (such as  $\exp$ ,  $\sin$ , ...) or to a mathematical operator ( $^{\wedge}$ , /, ...) applied to a numerical variable. The call must always agree with the label used to identify the corresponding parameter in the fitted model object passed through the object argument. Beware that the label includes the identity function I() if an arithmetic operator was used. Other function types (e.g. factor) and interactions are not admitted.

...

absorbs any additional arguments. See cond. glm and cond. rsm for details.

### **Details**

This function is generic (see methods); method functions can be written to handle specific classes of data. Classes which already have methods for this function include: glm and rsm.

### Value

The returned value is an *approximate conditional inference* object. Classes already supported are cond and marg depending on whether the fitted model object passed through the object argument has class glm or rsm. See cond.object or marg.object for more details.

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# References

Brazzale, A. R. (2000) *Practical Small-Sample Parametric Inference*. Ph.D. Thesis N. 2230, Department of Mathematics, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne. Chapter 6.

### See Also

```
cond.glm, cond.rsm, cond.object, marg.object
```

# **Examples**

```
## Urine Data
data(urine)
urine.glm <- glm(r ~ gravity + ph + osmo + conduct + urea + log(calc),</pre>
                  family = binomial, data = urine)
##
## function call as offset variable
labels(coef(urine.glm))
cond(urine.glm, log(calc))
##
## large estimate of regression coefficient
urine.glm <- glm(r ~ gravity + ph + osmo + conduct + urea + calc,</pre>
                  family = binomial, data = urine)
coef(urine.glm)
urine.glm <- glm(r ~ I(gravity * 100) + ph + osmo + conduct + urea + calc,
                  family = binomial, data = urine)
coef(urine.glm)
urine.cond <- cond(urine.glm, I(gravity * 100))</pre>
plot(urine.cond, which = 4)
## House Price Data
## Not run:
data(houses)
houses.rsm <- rsm(price ~ ., family = student(5), data = houses)</pre>
## parameter of interest: scale parameter
houses.marg <- cond(houses.rsm, scale)</pre>
plot(houses.marg, which = 2)
## End(Not run)
```

cond.glm

Approximate Conditional Inference for Logistic and Loglinear Models

# **Description**

Performs approximate conditional inference on a scalar parameter of interest in logistic and loglinear models. The output is stored in an object of class cond.

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# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'glm'
cond(object, offset, formula = NULL, family = NULL,
         data = sys.frame(sys.parent()), pts = 20,
         n = max(100, 2*pts), tms = 0.6, from = NULL, to = NULL,
         control = glm.control(...), trace = FALSE, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

object a glm object. Families supported are binomial and Poisson with canonical link

function.

offset the covariate occurring in the model formula whose coefficient represents the

> parameter of interest. May be numerical or a two-level factor. In case of a two-level factor, it must be coded by contrasts and not appear as two dummy variables in the model. Can also be a call to a mathematical function (such as exp,  $\sin$ , ...) or to a mathematical operator ( $^{\land}$ , /, ...) applied to a numerical variable. The call must always agree with the label used to identify the corresponding parameter in the glm object passed through the object argument or defined by formula and family. Beware that the label includes the identity function I() if an arithmetic operator was used. Other function types (e.g.

factor) and interactions are not admitted.

formula a formula expression (only if no glm object is defined).

family a family object defining the variance function (only if no glm object is defined).

Families supported are binomial and Poisson with canonical link function.

data an optional data frame in which to interpret the variables occurring in the for-

mula (only if no glm object is defined).

pts number of output points (minimum 10) that are calculated exactly. The default

is 20.

approximate number of output points (minimum 50) produced by the spline inn

terpolation. The default is the maximum between 100 and twice pts.

defines the range MLE +/- tms \* S.E. where cubic spline interpolation is replaced tms

by polynomial interpolation. The default is 0.6.

from starting value of the sequence that contains the values of the parameter of interest

for which output points are calculated exactly. The default is MLE - 3.5 \* S.E.

ending value of the sequence that contains the values of the parameter of interest

for which output points are calculated exactly. The default is MLE + 3.5 \* S.E.

control a list of iteration and algorithmic constants that controls the GLM fit. See \

glm.control for their names and default values.

trace if TRUE, iteration numbers will be printed.

additional arguments, such as subset etc., used by the glm fitting routine if the glm object is defined through formula and family. See glm for their definition

and use. The arguments weights, offset and contrasts are not admitted. The

returned value is an object of class cond; see cond. object for details.

#### **Details**

This function is a method for the generic function cond for class glm. It can be invoked by calling cond for an object of the appropriate class, or directly by calling cond.glm regardless of the class of the object. cond.glm has also to be used if the glm object is not provided throught the object argument but specified by formula and family.

The function cond.glm implements several small sample asymptotic methods for approximate conditional inference in logistic and loglinear models. Approximations for both the conditional log likelihood function and conditional tail area probabilities are available (see cond.object for details). Attention is restricted to a scalar parameter of interest. The associated covariate can be either numerical or a two-level factor.

Approximate conditional inference is performed by either updating a fitted generalized linear model or defining the model formula and family. All approximations are calculated exactly for pts equally spaced points ranging from from to to. A cubic spline interpolation is used to extend them over the whole interval of interest, except for the range of values defined by MLE +/- tms \* S.E. where the spline interpolation is replaced by a higher order polynomial interpolation. This is done in order to avoid numerical instabilities which are likely to occur for values of the parameter of interest close to the MLE. Results are stored in an object of class cond. Method functions like print, summary and plot can be used to examine the output or represent it graphically. Components can be extracted using coef, formula and family.

Main references for the methods considered are the papers by *Pierce and Peters* (1992) and *Davison* (1988). More details on the implementation are given in *Brazzale* (1999, 2000).

#### Value

The returned value is an object of class cond; see cond.object for details.

# Note

In rare occasions, cond.glm dumps because of non-convergence of the function glm which is used to refit the model for a fixed value of the parameter of interest. This happens for instance if this value is too extreme. The arguments from and to may then be used to limit the default range of MLE +/- 3.5 \* S.E. A further possibility is to fine-tuning the constants (number of iterations, convergence threshold) that control the GLM fit through the control argument.

cond.glm may also dump if the estimate of the parameter of interest is large (tipically > 400) in absolute value. This may be avoided by reparametrizing the model.

The output of cond.glm may be unreliable if part of the data have a degenerate distribution. For example take the fungal infections treatment data contained in the fungal data frame. Of the five  $2 \times 2$  contingency tables, two (the first and the third) are degenerate. As they make no contribution to the exact conditional likelihood, they should be omitted from the approximate conditional fit.

### References

Brazzale, A. R. (1999) Approximate conditional inference for logistic and loglinear models. *J. Comput. Graph. Statist.*, **8**, 1999, 653–661.

Brazzale, A. R. (2000) *Practical Small-Sample Parametric Inference*. Ph.D. Thesis N. 2230, Department of Mathematics, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne.

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Davison, A. C. (1988) Approximate conditional inference in generalized linear models. *J. R. Statist. Soc.* B, **50**, 445–461.

Pierce, D. A. and Peters, D. (1992) Practical use of higher order asymptotics for multiparameter exponential families (with Discussion). *J. R. Statist. Soc.* B, **54**, 701–737.

### See Also

```
cond.object, summary.cond, plot.cond, glm
```

### **Examples**

```
## Crying Babies Data
data(babies)
babies.glm <- glm(formula = cbind(r1, r2) ~ day + lull - 1,</pre>
                   family = binomial, data = babies)
babies.cond <- cond(object = babies.glm, offset = lullyes)</pre>
babies.cond
## Urine Data
## (function call as offset variable)
data(urine)
urine.glm <- glm(r ~ gravity + ph + osmo + conduct + urea + log(calc),</pre>
                  family = binomial, data = urine)
labels(coef(urine.glm))
urine.cond <- cond(urine.glm, log(calc))</pre>
##
## (large estimate of regression coefficient)
urine.glm <- glm(r ~ gravity + ph + osmo + conduct + urea + calc,</pre>
                  family = binomial, data = urine)
coef(urine.glm)
urine.glm <- glm(r ~ I(gravity * 100) + ph + osmo + conduct + urea + calc,</pre>
                  family = binomial, data = urine)
coef(urine.glm)
urine.cond <- cond(urine.glm, I(gravity * 100))</pre>
## Fungal Infections Treatment Data (numerical instabilities around the
##
                                       MLE)
## (full data analysis)
data(fungal)
fungal.glm <- glm(cbind(success, failure) ~ center + group - 1,</pre>
                   family = binomial, data = fungal,
                   control = glm.control(maxit = 50, epsilon = 1e-005))
fungal.cond <- cond(fungal.glm, groupT)</pre>
plot(fungal.cond, which = 2)
## (partial data analysis)
fungal.glm <- glm(cbind(success, failure) ~ center + group - 1,</pre>
                   family = binomial, data = fungal, subset = -c(1,2,5,6),
                   control = glm.control(maxit = 50, epsilon = 1e-005))
fungal.cond <- cond(fungal.glm, groupT)</pre>
plot(fungal.cond, which = 2)
## (Tables 1 and 3 are omitted).
```

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cond.object Approximate Conditional Inference Object
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# **Description**

Class of objects returned when performing approximate conditional inference for logistic and loglinear models.

# **Arguments**

Objects of class cond are implemented as a list. The following components are included:

a list whose elements are the spline interpolations of several first order and higher order statistics. They are used to implement the following likelihood quantities:

- the profile and modified profile log likelihoods;
- the Wald pivots from the unconditional and conditional MLEs;
- the profile and modified likelihood roots (the latter one with a suitable continuity correction);
- the Lugannani-Rice tail area approximation (with suitable continuity correction);
- the correction term used in the higher order statistics;
- the information and nuisance parameter aspects.

Method functions work mainly on this part of the object. In order to avoid errors in the calculation of confidence intervals and tail probabilities, this part of the object should not be modified.

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a  $2\times 2$  matrix containing the unconditional and approximate conditional MLEs and their standard errors.

call function call that created the cond object.

formula the model formula.

family the variance function.

offset the covariate occurring in the model formula whose coefficient represents the

parameter of interest.

diagnostics diagnostics related to the decomposition of the higher order adjustments into an

information and a nuisance parameters term. A value larger than 0.2 in absolute value is an index that higher order methods are needed. See *Pierce and Peters* 

(1992) for details.

n. approx number of output points that have been calculated exactly.

omitted.val range of values omitted in the spline interpolation of some of the higher or-

der statistics considered. The aim is to avoid numerical instabilities around the

maximum likelihood estimate.

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a logical value indicating whether there are any nuisance parameters. If FALSE there are none.

Main references for the methods considered are the papers by *Pierce and Peters* (1992) and *Davison* (1988). More details on the implementation and the methods considered are given in *Brazzale* (1999, 2000).

#### Generation

This class of objects is returned from calls to the function cond. glm.

### Methods

The class cond has methods for summary, plot, print, coef and family, amongst others.

# References

Brazzale, A. R. (1999) Approximate conditional inference for logistic and loglinear models. *J. Comput. Graph. Statist.*, **8**, 653–661.

Brazzale, A. R. (2000) *Practical Small-Sample Parametric Inference*, Ph.D. Thesis N. 2230, Department of Mathematics, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne.

Davison, A. C. (1988) Approximate conditional inference in generalized linear models. *J. R. Statist. Soc.* B, **50**, 445–461.

Pierce, D. A. and Peters, D. (1992) Practical use of higher order asymptotics for multiparameter exponential families (with Discussion). *J. R. Statist. Soc.* B, **54**, 701–737.

### See Also

```
cond.glm, summary.cond, plot.cond
```

cond.rsm

Approximate Conditional Inference in Regression-Scale Models

# **Description**

Performs approximate conditional inference on a scalar parameter of interest in regression-scale models. The output is stored in an object of class marg.

```
## S3 method for class 'rsm'
cond(object, offset, formula = NULL, family = NULL,
    dispersion = NULL, data = sys.frame(sys.parent()), pts = 20,
    n = max(100, 2*pts), tms = 0.6, from = NULL, to = NULL,
    control = glm.control(...), trace = FALSE, ...)
```

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# **Arguments**

object a rsm object; for instance the result of a call to rsm.

offset either the covariate occurring in the model formula whose coefficient represents

the parameter of interest or scale if the parameter of interest is the scale parameter. In the first case, the variable may be numerical or a two-level factor. In case of a two-level factor, it must be coded by contrasts and not as two dummy variables. Can also be a call to a mathematical function (such as exp, sin, ...) or to a mathematical operator (^, /, ...) applied to a numerical variable. The call must always agree with the label used to identify the corresponding parameter in the rsm object passed through the object argument or defined by formula and family. Beware that the label includes the identity function I() if an arithmetic operator was used. Other function types (e.g. factor) and interactions are not admitted. If interest focuses on the scale parameter, it must not be fixed in object or when using the dispersion argument in case no rsm object is

supplied.

formula a formula expression (only if no rsm object is defined).

family a family.rsm object defining the error distribution (only if no rsm object is

defined). See rsm. families for the families supported.

dispersion argument only to be used if no rsm object is defined. If NULL, the scale parameter

is taken to be unknown. If known, the numerical value can be passed. The default is NULL. Huber's least favourable error distribution represents a special case. If dispersion is NULL, the maximum likelihood estimate is computed, while if TRUE the MAD estimate is calculated and the scale parameter fixed to

this value in subsequent computations.

data an optional data frame in which to interpret the variables occurring in the for-

mula (only if no rsm object is defined).

pts number of output points (minimum 10) that are calculated exactly; the default is

20.

n approximate number of output points (minimum 50) produced by the spline in-

terpolation. The default is the maximum between 100 and twice pts.

tms defines the range MLE +/- tms \* S.E. where cubic spline interpolation is replaced

by polynomial interpolation. The default is 0.6.

from starting value of the sequence that contains the values of the parameter of interest

for which output points are calculated exactly. The default is MLE - 3.5 \* S.E.

to ending value of the sequence that contains the values of the parameter of interest

for which output points are calculated exactly. The default is MLE + 3.5 \* S.E.

control a list of iteration and algorithmic constants that control the rsm fit. See glm.control

for their names and default values.

trace if TRUE, iteration numbers will be printed.

... additional arguments, such as weights, subset, control etc. used by the rsm

fitting routine if the rsm object is defined through formula and family. See rsm

for their definition and use.

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### **Details**

This function is a method for the generic function cond for class rsm. It can be invoked by calling cond for an object of the appropriate class, or directly by calling cond.rsm regardless of the class of the object. cond.rsm has also to be used if the rsm object is not provided throught the object argument but specified by formula and family.

The function cond.rsm implements several small sample asymptotic methods for approximate conditional inference in regression-scale models. Approximations for both the modified/marginal log likelihood function and approximate conditional/marginal tail probabilities are available (see marg.object for details). Attention is restricted to a scalar parameter of interest, either a regression coefficient or the scale parameter. In the first case, the associated covariate may be either numerical or a two-level factor.

Approximate conditional (or equivalently marginal) inference is performed by either updating a fitted regression-scale model or defining the model formula and family. All approximations are calculated exactly for pts equally spaced points ranging from from to to. A spline interpolation is used to extend them over the whole interval of interest, except for the range of values defined by MLE +/- tms \* S.E. where the spline interpolation is replaced by a higher order polynomial interpolation. This is done in order to avoid numerical instabilities which are likely to occur for values of the parameter of interest close to the MLE. Results are stored in an object of class marg. Method functions like print, summary and plot can be used to examine the output or represent it graphically. Components can be extracted using coef, formula and family.

Main references for the methods considered are the papers by Barndorff-Nielsen (1991), DiCiccio, Field and Fraser (1990) and DiCiccio and Field (1991). The theory and statistics used are summarized in Brazzale (2000, Chapters 2 and 3). More details of the implementation are given in Brazzale (1999; 2000, Section 6.3.1).

# Value

The returned value is an object of class marg; see marg.object for details.

### Note

If the parameter of interest is the scale parameter, all calculations are performed on the logarithmic scale, though most results are reported on the original scale.

In rare occasions, cond.rsm dumps because of non-convergence of the function rsm which is used to refit the model for a fixed value of the parameter of interest. This happens for instance if this value is too extreme. The arguments from and to may then be used to limit the default range of MLE +/- 3.5 \* S.E. A further possibility is to fine-tuning the constants (number of iterations, convergence threshold) that control the rsm fit through the control argument.

cond.rsm may also dump if the estimate of the parameter of interest is large (tipically > 400) in absolute value. This may be avoided by reparametrizing the model.

#### References

Barndorff-Nielsen, O. E. (1991) Modified signed log likelihood ratio. *Biometrika*, 78, 557–564.

Brazzale, A. R. (1999) Approximate conditional inference for logistic and loglinear models. *J. Comput. Graph. Statist.*, **8**, 653–661.

Brazzale, A. R. (2000) *Practical Small-Sample Parametric Inference*. Ph.D. Thesis N. 2230, Department of Mathematics, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne.

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### See Also

```
marg.object, summary.marg, plot.marg, rsm
```

# **Examples**

```
## Sea Level Data
data(venice)
attach(venice)
Year <- 1:51/51
c11 <- cos(2*pi*1:51/11); s11 <- sin(2*pi*1:51/11)
c19 <- cos(2*pi*1:51/18.62); s19 <- sin(2*pi*1:51/18.62)
## quadratic model fitted to the sea level, includes 18.62-year
## astronomical tidal cycle and 11-year sunspot cycle
venice.rsm <- rsm(sea ~ Year + I(Year^2) + c11 + s11 + c19 + s19,</pre>
                  family = extreme)
names(coef(venice.rsm))
## "(Intercept)" "Year" "I(Year^2)" "c11" "s11" "c19" "s19"
## variable of interest: quadratic term
venice.marg <- cond(venice.rsm, I(Year^2))</pre>
##
detach()
## House Price Data
data(houses)
houses.rsm <- rsm(price ~ ., family = student(5), data = houses)</pre>
## parameter of interest: scale parameter
houses.marg <- cond(houses.rsm, scale)</pre>
```

```
contour.all.nlreg.profiles
```

Contour Method for 'nlreg' Objects

# **Description**

Draws the approximate bivariate contour plots for two or all parameters of a nonlinear heteroscedastic model and, on request, returns the list of elements used.

# Usage

# **Arguments**

X	an all.nlreg.profiles object, that is, the result of a call to profile.nlreg with offset = "all".	
offset1, offse	t2	
	the two parameters to consider in the approximate bivariate contour plots.	
alpha	a numerical vector defining the levels of the contours; the default is c(0.1, 0.05), that is, $1-\alpha=0.9$ and $1-\alpha=0.95$ .	
stats	character value indicating which higher order statistics to plot. Admissible values are "sk" for <i>Skovgaard's</i> (1996) proposal and "fr" for <i>Fraser</i> , <i>Reid and Wu's</i> (1999) approach. The default is "sk".	
ret	logical value; if TRUE, a list containing the elements needed to draw the approximate contour plots is returned. Default is FALSE.	
plotit	logical value indicating whether to draw the contours. Default is TRUE.	
drawlabels	logical value. Contours are labelled if TRUE.	
lwd1, lwd2	the line widths used to compare different curves in the same plot; default is $1 \text{wd2} = 2$ for higher order solutions and $1 \text{wd1} = 1$ for first order solutions.	
lty1, lty2	line types used to compare different curves in the same plot; default is "solid" for all statistics.	
cl1, cl2, col	colors used to compare different curves in the same plot; default is cl2 = "red" for higher order solutions, and cl1 = "blue" for the remaining first order statistics. The default color of the plot is col = "black".	
pch1, pch2	character types used to compare different values in the same plot; default is pch2 = 16 for higher order solutions, and pch1 = 1 for the remaining first order statistics.	
cex	the character expansions relative to the standard size of the device to be used for printing text. The default is $cex = 0.5$ .	
	absorbs additional arguments such as graphics parameters.	

# **Details**

The function contour.all.nlreg.profiles calculates all elements needed to draw the profile and approximate bivariate contour plots for respectively two parameters of interest and all parameters in the model, depending on whether the offset1 and offset2 arguments are used.

Contour plots represent the bivariate extension of profile plots. Given two parameters of interst, they plot the corresponding joint confidence regions of levels  $1 - \alpha$  obtained from the likelihood ratio statistic and the Wald statistic (*Bates and Watts*, 1988, Section 6.1.2). The closer the two

curves are, the more the likelihood surface is quadratic. Usually profile traces are added, that is, the curves showing the constrained maximum likelihood estimates of one parameter as a function of the other, as they provide useful information on how the estimates affect each other. If the asymptotic correlation is zero, the angle between the traces is close to  $\pi/2$ . The calculation of exact contour plots is computationally very intesive, as the model has to be refitted several times to obtain the constrained estimates. Bates and Watts (1988, Appendix A.6) present an approximate solution, which only requires the computation of the parameter profiles and which gives rise to the so-called profile pair sketches.

The function contour.all.nlreg.profiles extends the classical profile plots and profile pair sketches by including the higher order solutions  $r^*$  (Barndorff-Nielsen, 1991) and  $w^*$  (Skovgaard, 2001). The idea is to provide insight into the behaviour of first order methods such as detecting possible bias of the estimates or the influence of the model curvature. More precisely, the sample space derivatives in Barndorff-Nielsens' (1991)  $r^*$  statistic are replaced by respectively the approximations proposed in Skovgaard (1996) and Fraser, Reid and Wu (1999) depending on the value of the stats argument. The  $r^*$  statistic is used to calculate an approximation to Skovgaard's (2001)  $w^*$  statistic adopting the method by Bates and Watts (1988, Appendix A.6). This method can break down, if the two parameter estimates are strongly correlated. The approximate contours of  $w^*$  are then missing in the corresponding panels; four bullets indicate where they intersect the profile traces.

All necessary quantities are retrieved from the all.nlreg.profiles object passed through the x argument. The offset1 and offset2 arguments can be used to specify two parameters of interest, in which case only the profile pair sketches for these two parameters are returned, one on the original scale and one on the normal scale. On the normal scale, the units do not express the parameter values themselves, but the associated likelihood root statistics. (See Bates and Watts, 1988, Section 6.1.2, for explanation.) If the offset1 and offset2 arguments are missing, profile plots and approximate contour plots are drawn for all model parameters. The plots are organized in form of a matrix. The main diagonal contains the profile plots. The approximate bivariate contour plots in the lower triangle are plotted on the original scale, whereas the ones in the upper triangle are on the r scale.

The theory and statistics used are summarized in *Brazzale* (2000, *Chapters 2 and 3*). More details of the implementation are given in *Brazzale* (2000, Section 6.3.2).

### Value

If ret = TRUE, a list of class nlreg.contours is returned which contains the elements needed to draw the profiles and approximate bivariate contours for two or all parameters in a nonlinear heteroscedastic model. Otherwise, no value is returned.

# **Side Effects**

If plotit = TRUE, a plot is produced on the current graphics device.

### Note

contour.all.nlreg.profiles is a method for the generic function contour for class all.nlreg.profiles. It can be invoked by calling contour for an object of the appropriate class, or directly by calling contour.all.nlreg.profiles.

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#### References

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Bates, D. M. and Watts, D. G. (1988) *Nonlinear Regression Analysis and Its Applications*. New York: Wiley.

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Fraser, D.A.S., Reid, N. and Wu, J. (1999). A simple general formula for tail probabilities for frequentist and Bayesian inference. *Biometrika*, **86**, 249–264.

Skovgaard, I. M (1996) An explicit large-deviation approximation to one-parameter tests. *Bernoulli*, **2**, 145–165.

Skovgaard, I. M. (2001) Likelihood asymptotics. Scandinavian Journal of Statistics, 28, 3–32.

### See Also

```
nlreg.profile.objects, plot.nlreg.contours, contour
```

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
data(metsulfuron)
metsulfuron.nl <-
    nlreg( formula = log(area) ~ log( b1+(b2-b1) / (1+(dose/b4)^b3) ),
        weights = ~ ( 1+dose^exp(g) )^2, data = metsulfuron,
            start = c(b1 = 138, b2 = 2470, b3 = 2, b4 = 0.07, g = log(0.3)),
            hoa = TRUE )
##
metsulfuron.prof <- profile( metsulfuron.nl, trace = TRUE )
par( mai = rep(0.2, 4) )
contour( metsulfuron.prof )
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

daphnia

'Daphnia Magna' Data

# Description

The daphnia data frame has 136 rows and 2 columns.

Ecotoxicity study to assess the impact of the herbicide dinoseb on the survival of *Daphnia magna* Strauss, 1820, a micro-crustacean widely used as test organism in aquatic ecotoxicological assays. The design of the experiment includes 35 irregularly spaced concentrations ranging from 0.006 to 11.3 mg/l and a control group. The upper endpoint of 11.3 mg/l is the highest concentration at which the test substance is soluble in the test medium. The number of replicates per concentration varies from 1 to 11 experimental units. The survival time is measured in days.

```
data(daphnia)
```

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### **Format**

This data frame contains the following columns:

```
conc the tested concentration (mg/l); time the survival time in days.
```

#### Source

The data were obtained from

Ch\'evre, N. (2000) Etude et mod\'elisation des effets \'ecotoxiques d'un micropolluant organique sur Daphnia magna et Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (in French). Ph.D. Thesis N. 2117, Department of Rural Engineering, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne.

#### References

Brazzale, A.R. (2000) *Practical Small-Sample Parametric Inference*. Ph.D. Thesis N. 2230, Department of Mathematics, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne. Section 5.3, Example 5.

Ch\'evre, N., Becker-van Slooten, K., Tarradellas, J., Brazzale, A. R., Behra, R. and Guettinger, H. (2001) Effects of dinoseb on the entire life-cycle of *Daphnia magna*. Part II: Modelling of survival and proposal of an alternative to No-Observed-Effect-Concentration (NOEC). *Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry*, **21**, 828–833.

# **Examples**

darwin

Darwin's Data on Growth Rates of Plants

### **Description**

The darwin data frame has 15 rows and 3 columns.

Charles Darwin conducted an experiment to examine the superiority of cross-fertilized plants over self-fertilized plants. 15 pairs of plants were used. Each pair consisted of one cross-fertilized plant and one self-fertilized plant which germinated at the same time and grew in the same pot. The heights of the plants were measured at a fixed time after planting. Four different pots were used.

```
data(darwin)
```

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### **Format**

```
This data frame contains the following columns:
cross the heights of the cross-fertilized plants (in inches);
self the heights of the self-fertilized plants (in inches);
pot a factor variable for the pot number.
```

#### Source

The data were obtained from

Andrews, D. F. and Herzberg, A. M. (1985) *Data: A Collection of Problems From Many Fields for the Student and Research Worker* (Chapter 2). New York: Springer-Verlag.

#### References

Darwin, C. (1878) *The Effects of Cross and Self Fertilisation in the Vegetable Kingdom* (2nd ed.). London: John Murray.

# **Examples**

```
data(darwin)
plot(cross - self ~ pot, data = darwin)
```

Dmean

Differentiate the Mean Function of a Nonlinear Model

# **Description**

Calculates the gradient and Hessian of the mean function of a nonlinear heteroscedastic model.

### Usage

```
Dmean(nlregObj, hessian = TRUE)
```

# **Arguments**

nlreg0bj a nonlinear heteroscedastic model fit as obtained from a call to nlreg.

hessian logical value indicating whether the Hessian should be computed. The default

is TRUE.

# Details

The mean function is differentiated with respect to the regression coefficients as specified in the coef component of the n1reg object. The returned function definition, however, includes all parameters — regression coefficients and variance parameters — as arguments. When evaluated, it implicitly refers to the data to whom the model was fitted and which must be on the search list. The gradient and Hessian are calculated for each data point: the gradient attribute is a  $n \times p$  matrix and the hessian attribute is a  $n \times p \times p$  array, where n and p are respectively the number of data points and the number of regression coefficients.

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### Value

a function whose arguments are named according to the parameters of the nonlinear model nlreg0bj. When evaluated, it returns the value of the mean function along with attributes called gradient and hessian, the latter if requested. These are the gradient and Hessian of the mean function with respect to the regression coefficients.

### Note

Dmean and Dvar are the two workhorse functions of the nlreg library. The details are given in *Brazzale (2000, Section 6.1.2)*.

The symbolic differentiation algorithm is based upon the D function. As this algorithm is highly recursive, the hessian = TRUE argument should only be used if the Hessian matrix is needed. Whenever possible, derivatives should be stored so as to be re-used in further calculations. This is, for instance, achieved by the nonlinear heteroscedastic model fitting routine nlreg through the argument hoa = TRUE.

### References

Becker, R. A., Chambers, J. M. and Wilks, A. R. (1988) *The New S Language: A Programming Environment for Data Analysis and Graphics*. London: Chapman & Hall. Section 9.6.

Brazzale, A. R. (2000) *Practical Small-Sample Parametric Inference*. Ph.D. Thesis N. 2230, Department of Mathematics, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne.

#### See Also

```
Dvar, nlreg.object, deriv3, D
```

# **Examples**

```
library(boot)
data(calcium)
calcium.nl <- nlreg( cal ~ b0*(1-exp(-b1*time)),</pre>
                      start = c(b0 = 4, b1 = 0.1), data = calcium)
Dmean( calcium.nl )
##function (b0, b1, logs)
##{
##
      .expr3 < -exp(-b1 * time)
##
      .expr4 < -1 - .expr3
      .expr6 <- .expr3 * time
##
##
      .value <- b0 \star .expr4
##
      .grad <- array(0, c(length(.value), 2), list(NULL, c("b0",</pre>
          "b1")))
##
      .hessian <- array(0, c(length(.value), 2, 2), list(NULL,</pre>
##
          c("b0", "b1"), c("b0", "b1")))
##
##
      .grad[, "b0"] <- .expr4
      .hessian[, "b0", "b0"] <- 0
##
      .hessian[, "b0", "b1"] <- .hessian[, "b1", "b0"] <- .expr6
##
      .grad[, "b1"] <- b0 * .expr6
      .hessian[, "b1", "b1"] <- -(b0 * (.expr6 * time))
##
##
      attr(.value, "gradient") <- .grad
```

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```
##
      attr(.value, "hessian") <- .hessian</pre>
##
      .value
##}
##
param( calcium.nl )
          b0
                      b1
                               logs
## 4.3093653 0.2084780 -1.2856765
attach( calcium )
calcium.md <- Dmean( calcium.nl )</pre>
attr( calcium.md( 4.31, 0.208, -1.29 ), "gradient" )
                b0
                          b1
## [1,] 0.08935305 1.766200
## [2,] 0.08935305 1.766200
## [3,] 0.08935305 1.766200
## [4,] 0.23692580 4.275505
## ...
detach()
```

dormicum

Dormicum Data

# **Description**

The dormicum data frame has 37 rows and 3 columns.

37 children in a pediatric intensive care unit were treated with varying doses and for varying duration with the drug *Dormicum*. The response variable is 1 if withdrawal symptoms were exhibited and 0 otherwise.

# Usage

```
data(dormicum)
```

# **Format**

This data frame contains the following columns:

```
symp indicator of the presence of withdrawal symptoms; dose the drug dose in mg/kg;
```

days the number of days treated.

# Source

The data were supplied by Spadille Biostatistik, Denmark.

### References

Mehta, C. R., Patel, N. T. and Senchaudhuri, P. (2000) Efficient Monte Carlo methods for conditional logistic regression. *J. Amer. Statist. Ass.*, **95**, 99–108.

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# **Examples**

```
data(dormicum)
par(mfrow = c(1,2))
plot(dose ~ symp, data = dormicum, xlab = "presence of withdrawal symptoms",
    ylab = "treatment dose (mg/kg)")
plot(days ~ symp, data = dormicum, xlab = "presence of withdrawal symptoms",
    ylab = "treatment days")
```

Dvar

Differentiate the Variance Function of a Nonlinear Model

# **Description**

Calculates the gradient and Hessian of the variance function of a nonlinear heteroscedastic model.

# Usage

```
Dvar(nlregObj, hessian = TRUE)
```

### **Arguments**

nlreg0bj a nonlinear heteroscedastic model fit as obtained from a call to nlreg.

hessian logical value indicating whether the Hessian should be computed. The default

is TRUE.

# Details

The variance function is differentiated with respect to the variance parameters specified in the varPar component of the nlreg0bj object and, if the variance function depends on them, with respect to the regression coefficients specified in the coef component. The returned function definition includes all parameters. When evaluated, it implicitly refers to the data to whom the nlreg object was fitted and which must be on the search list. The gradient and Hessian are calculated for each data point: the gradient attribute is a  $n \times p$  matrix, and the hessian attribute is a  $n \times p \times p$  array, where n and p are respectively the number of data points and the number of regression coefficients.

# Value

a function whose arguments are named according to the parameters of the nonlinear model nlreg0bj. When evaluated, it returns the value of the variance function along with attributes called gradient and hessian, the latter if requested. These are the gradient and Hessian of the variance function with respect to the model parameters.

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### Note

Dmean and Dvar are the two workhorse functions of the nlreg library. The details are given in *Brazzale* (2000, Section 6.1.2).

The symbolic differentiation algorithm is based upon the D function. As this algorithm is highly recursive, the hessian = TRUE argument should only be used if the Hessian matrix is needed. Whenever possible, derivatives should be stored so as to be re-used in further calculations. This is, for instance, achieved for the nonlinear heteroscedastic model fitting routine nlreg through the argument hoa = TRUE.

### References

Becker, R. A., Chambers, J. M. and Wilks, A. R. (1988) *The New S Language: A Programming Environment for Data Analysis and Graphics*. London: Chapman \& Hall. Section 9.6.

Brazzale, A. R. (2000) *Practical Small-Sample Parametric Inference*. Ph.D. Thesis N. 2230, Department of Mathematics, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne.

#### See Also

Dmean, nlreg.object, deriv3, D

# **Examples**

```
library(boot)
data(calcium)
calcium.nl <- nlreg( cal ~ b0*(1-exp(-b1*time)),</pre>
                      start = c(b0 = 4, b1 = 0.1), data = calcium)
Dvar( calcium.nl )
##function (b0, b1, logs)
##{
      .expr1 <- exp(logs)</pre>
##
##
      .value <- .expr1
##
      .grad <- array(0, c(length(.value), 1), list(NULL, c("logs")))</pre>
      .hessian <- array(0, c(length(.value), 1, 1), list(NULL,</pre>
##
##
           c("logs"), c("logs")))
##
      .grad[, "logs"] <- .expr1
##
      .hessian[, "logs", "logs"] <- .expr1</pre>
##
      attr(.value, "gradient") <- .grad
##
      attr(.value, "hessian") <- .hessian
      .value
##
##}
##
attach( calcium )
calcium.vd <- Dvar( calcium.nl )</pre>
param( calcium.nl )
          b0
                      b1
## 4.3093653 0.2084780 -1.2856765
attr( calcium.vd( 4.31, 0.208, -1.29 ), "gradient" )
             logs
##[1,] 0.2752708
```

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```
calcium.nl <- update( calcium.nl, weights = ~ ( 1+time^g )^2,</pre>
                       start = c(b0 = 4, b1 = 0.1, g = 1))
Dvar( calcium.nl )
##function (b0, b1, g, logs)
      .expr1 <- time^g</pre>
      .expr2 <- 1 + .expr1
##
##
      .expr4 <- exp(logs)</pre>
      .expr5 <- .expr2^2 \star .expr4
##
      .expr6 <- log(time)</pre>
##
      .expr7 <- .expr1 * .expr6
##
##
      .expr10 <- 2 * (.expr7 * .expr2) * .expr4
##
      .value <- .expr5
      .grad <- array(0, c(length(.value), 2), list(NULL, c("g",</pre>
##
##
           "logs")))
##
      .hessian <- array(0, c(length(.value), 2, 2), list(NULL,</pre>
##
          c("g", "logs"), c("g", "logs")))
##
      .grad[, "g"] <- .expr10
      .hessian[, "g", "g"] <- 2 * (.expr7 * .expr6 * .expr2 + .expr7 *
##
##
           .expr7) * .expr4
      .hessian[, "g", "logs"] <- .hessian[, "logs", "g"] <- .expr10
##
      .grad[, "logs"] <- .expr5
##
      .hessian[, "logs", "logs"] <- .expr5</pre>
##
      attr(.value, "gradient") <- .grad</pre>
##
      attr(.value, "hessian") <- .hessian</pre>
##
##
      .value
##}
##
calcium.vd <- Dvar( calcium.nl )</pre>
param( calcium.nl )
          b0
                      b1
                                   g
## 4.3160408 0.2075937 0.3300134 -3.3447585
attr( calcium.vd(4.32, 0.208, 0.600, -2.66 ), "gradient" )
##
                   g
                          logs
## [1,] -0.11203422 0.1834220
## [2,] -0.11203422 0.1834220
## [3,] -0.11203422 0.1834220
## [4,] 0.09324687 0.3295266
## ...
##
detach()
```

expInfo

Returns the Expected Information Matrix — Generic Function

# **Description**

Returns the expected information matrix from a fitted model object.

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# Usage

```
expInfo(object, ...)
```

# Arguments

object any fitted model object for which the observed information can be calculated.
... absorbs any additional argument.

# **Details**

This function is generic (see methods); method functions can be written to handle specific classes of data. Classes which already have methods for this function include: nlreg.

### Value

the expected information matrix for a fitted regression model.

# See Also

```
expInfo.nlreg, nlreg.object, obsInfo
```

# **Examples**

expInfo.nlreg

Expected Information Matrix for 'nlreg' Objects

# **Description**

Returns the expected information matrix for a fitted nlreg model.

```
## S3 method for class 'nlreg'
expInfo(object, par, mu, v, m1 = NULL, v1 = NULL, ...)
```

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# **Arguments**

object	a fitted nlreg object such as returned by a call to nlreg.	
par	a vector of parameter values where each element is named after the parameter it represents. If missing, the values in the ws\$allPar component of object are used.	
mu	numerical vector containing the mean function evaluated at each data point. If missing, the fitted values saved in object are used.	
V	numerical vector containing the variance function evaluated at each data point. If missing, the values of the weights component of object are used.	
m1	a matrix whose rows represent the gradients of the mean function evaluated at each data point. If NULL, the gradient attribute of the object returned by a call to Dmean is used.	
v1	a matrix whose rows represent the gradient of the variance function evaluated at each data point. If NULL, the gradient attribute of the object returned by a call to Dvar is used.	
	absorbs any additional argument.	

# **Details**

This function is a method for the generic function expInfo for objects inheriting from class nlreg.

# Value

the expected information matrix of the fitted nonlinear model passed through the object argument.

#### Note

This function is mostly intended for internal use. It is called by functions such as nlreg.diag, summary.nlreg and profile.nlreg. To extract the expected information matrix from a fitted nlreg object, the generic method expInfo should be used.

# See Also

expInfo, nlreg.object, obsInfo

family.cond	Use family() on a "cond" object	
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# Description

This is a method for the function family() for objects inheriting from class cond. See family for the general behaviour of this function.

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# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'cond'
family(object, ...)
```

# Arguments

object any object from which a family object can be extracted.... absorbs any additional argument.

# See Also

family

family.rsm

Use family() on a "rsm" object

# Description

This is a method for the function family() for objects from which a family.rsm object can be extracted. Typically a fitted rsm model object. See family for the general behaviour of this function.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'rsm'
family(object, ...)
```

# Arguments

object any object from which a family.rsm object can be extracted.
... absorbs any additional argument.

# See Also

```
family.rsm.object, family
```

# **Examples**

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```
## House Price Data
data(houses)
houses.rsm <- rsm(price ~ ., family = student(5), data = houses)
family(houses.rsm)</pre>
```

family.rsm.object

Family Object for Regression-Scale Models

# **Description**

Class of objects that characterize the error distribution of a regression-scale model.

#### Generation

This class of objects is returned by a call to a family.rsm generator function. See rsm.families for the distributions which are supported by the marg package. The object includes a list of functions and expressions that characterize the error distribution of a regression-scale model. These are used by the IRLS algorithm implemented in the rsm fitting routine. New families can be added to the ones already supported. See the demonstration file 'margdemo.R' that ships with the package. There is a print method for family.rsm objects which produces a simple summary without any detail; use unclass(family.rsm.object) to see the contents.

### **Structure**

The following components, with the corresponding functionality, are required for a family.rsm object:

family a character vector giving the family name.

- g0 a function that yields minus the log density of the error distribution in the regression-scale model.
- g1 a function that yields the first derivative of minus the log density.
- g2 a function that yields the second derivative of minus the log density.
- df argument with NULL value; must be included to guarantee compatibility with the existing code.
- k argument with NULL value; must be included to guarantee compatibility with the existing code.

### Note

For the sake of compatibility, the g0, g1 and g2 functions of a user-defined family can only take two arguments: y representing an observation and the . . . argument which absorbes any additional arguments.

# See Also

```
rsm.families, family.rsm, rsm
```

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family.summary.cond

Use family() on a "summary.cond" object

# Description

This is a method for the function family() for objects inheriting from class summary.cond. See family for the general behaviour of this function.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'summary.cond'
family(object, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

object any object from which a family object can be extracted.

... absorbs any additional argument.

# See Also

family

fraudulent

Fraudulent Automobile Insurance Claims Data

# **Description**

The fraudulent data frame has 42 rows and 12 columns.

127 claims arising from automobile accidents in 1989 in Massachusetts (USA). Each claim was classified as either fraudulent or legitimate by consensus among four independent claims adjusters who examined each case file thoroughly. An exploratory analysis by Derrig and Weisberg (1993) identified 10 binary indicators, each of which denotes the presence or absence of a potential fraud characteristic in the claim situation. They fall into three broad groups relating to "Accident" (AC1, AC9 and AC16), "Claimant" (CL7 and CL11), and "Injury" (IJ2, IJ3, IJ4, IJ6 and IJ12).

```
data(fraudulent)
```

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### **Format**

This data frame contains the following columns:

- r1 the number of frauds detected;
- r2 the total number of automobile insurance claims;
- AC1,AC9,AC16 potential fraud characteristics pertaining to "Accident". The presence of the fraud characteristic is indicated by a 1, the absence is indicated by a 0.
- CL7,CL11 potential fraud characteristics pertaining to "Claimer". The presence of the fraud characteristic is indicated by a 1, the absence is indicated by a 0.
- IJ2,IJ3,IJ4,IJ6,IJ12 potential fraud characteristics pertaining to "Injury". The presence of the fraud characteristic is indicated by a 1, the absence is indicated by a 0.

### **Source**

The data were supplied by Dr. Richard Derrig of the Automobile Insurers Bureau of Massachusetts.

#### References

Mehta, C. R., Patel, N. T. and Senchaudhuri, P. (2000) Efficient Monte Carlo methods for conditional logistic regression. *J. Amer. Statist. Ass.*, **95**, 99–108.

Derrig, R. A. and Weisberg, H. I. (1993). Quantitative methods for detecting fraudulent automobile bodily injury claims. *Manuscript*.

# **Examples**

data(fraudulent)
summary(fraudulent)

fungal

Fungal Infections Treatment Data

# Description

The fungal data frame has 10 rows and 4 columns.

Clinical trial on the success of a particular treatment for fungal infections. The study was carried out in five different research units. Interest focuses on the treatment effect.

```
data(fungal)
```

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# **Format**

This data frame contains the following columns:

```
success the number of patients that benefited from the treatment;
```

failure the number of patients with no benefit from the treatment;

group an indicator variable for treatment (T=treatment, P=placebo);

center a factor variable indicating the research unit where the study was carried out.

#### Source

The data were supplied by Sandoz Pharmaceuticals.

# Examples

helicopter

Helicopter Data

# Description

The helicopter data frame has 9 rows and 6 columns.

Experimental design for studying the influences of the factors wing length and wing width on a paper helicopter's flight time. The goal is to find the factor setting that maximizes flight time when the paper helicopter is dropped from a fixed height of 15.5 feet

```
data(helicopter)
```

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# **Format**

```
A data frame with 9 observations on the following 6 variables:
```

```
L wing length in inches;
W wing width in inches;
B base length (always set to 3in);
H base height (always set to 2in);
Order run order;
```

### **Source**

The data were obtained from

Time flight time in seconds.

Annis, D. H. (2006) Rethinking the paper helicopter: Combining statistical and engineering knowledge. *The American Statistician*, **59**, 320–326.

### References

Box, G. E. P. (1992) Teaching engineers experimental design with a paper helicopter. *Quality Engineering*, **4**, 453–459.

# **Examples**

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Higher Order Likelihood Inference

# **Description**

Performs likelihood-based inference for a wide range of regression models. Provides higher-order approximations for inference based on extensions of saddlepoint type arguments as discussed in the book Applied Asymptotics: Case Studies in Small-Sample Statistics by Brazzale, Davison, and Reid (2007).

### **Details**

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> Package: hoa Version: 2.1.2 Date: 2015-07-13 Depends: R (>= 3.0.0)

Imports: graphics, statmod, stats, survival, utils

Suggests: boot, csampling License: GPL (>= 2)

URL: http://www.r-project.org, http://statwww.epfl.ch/AA/

LazyLoad: LazyData: yes

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Further information is available in the following vignettes:

Rnews-paper hoa: An R Package for Higher Order Likelihood Inference (source, pdf)

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House Price Data

# **Description**

The houses data frame has 26 rows and 5 columns.

Ms. Terry Tasch of Long-Kogan Realty, Chicago, provides data on the selling prices of houses and on different variables describing their status. This data frame contains the prices and a subset of the covariates.

# Usage

```
data(houses)
```

# **Format**

This data frame contains the following columns:

```
price selling price (in thousands of dollars);
bdroom number of bedrooms;
floor floor space (in square feet);
rooms total number of rooms;
front front footage of lot (in feet).
```

### **Source**

The data were obtained from

Sen, A. and Srivastava, M. (1990) *Regression Analysis: Theory, Methods and Applications* (Exhibit 2.2, page 32). New York: Springer-Verlag.

```
data(houses)
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```

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Huber's Least Favourable Distribution

# **Description**

Density, cumulative distribution, quantiles and random number generator for Huber's least favourable distribution.

# Usage

```
dHuber(x, k = 1.345)
pHuber(q, k = 1.345)
qHuber(p, k = 1.345)
rHuber(n, k = 1.345)
```

## **Arguments**

X	vector of quantiles. Missing values (NAs) are allowed.
q	vector of quantiles. Missing values (NAs) are allowed.
р	vector of probabilities. Missing values (NAs) are allowed.
n	sample size. If length(n) is larger than 1, then length(n) random values are returned.
k	tuning constant. Values should preferably lie between 1 and 1.5. The default is 1.345, which gives 95% efficiency at the Normal.

### **Details**

Inversion of the cumulative distribution function is used to generate deviates from Huber's least favourable distribution.

# Value

Density (dHuber), probability (pHuber), quantile (qHuber), or random sample (rHuber) for Huber's least favourable distribution with tuning constant k. If values are missing, NAs will be returned.

# **Side Effects**

The function rHuber causes creation of the dataset .Random.seed if it does not already exist; otherwise its value is updated.

# **Background**

Huber's least favourable distribution is a compound distribution with gaussian behaviour in the interval (-k,k) and double exponential tails. It is strongly related to Huber's M-estimator, which represents the maximum likelihood estimator of the location parameter.

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### References

Hampel, F. R., Ronchetti, E. M., Rousseeuw, P. J. and Stahel, W. A. (1986) *Robust Statistics: The Approach Based on Influence Functions*. New York: Wiley.

# **Examples**

```
pHuber(0.5)
## 0.680374
pHuber(0.5, k = 1.5)
## 0.6842623
```

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Compute the Log Likelihood for Nonlinear Heteroscedastic Models

# Description

Computes the log likelihood for a nonlinear model with possibly non constant variance.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'nlreg'
logLik(object, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

object an object inheriting from class nlreg representing a fitted nonlinear heteroscedastic model.

... absorbs any additional argument.

## **Details**

This is a method for the function logLik() for objects inheriting from class nlreg.

# Value

Returns an object class logLik which is a number with attributes nobs, npar and df giving respectively the number of observations, the number of parameters (regression coefficients plus variance parameters) and the degrees of freedom in the model.

## Note

The default print method for logLik objects is used.

### See Also

```
rsm.object, logLik
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Compute the Log Likelihood for Regression-Scale Models

## Description

Computes the log likelihood for regression-scale models.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'rsm'
logLik(object, ...)
```

## Arguments

object an object inheriting from class rsm representing a fitted regression-scale model.
... absorbs any additional argument.

### **Details**

This is a method for the function logLik() for objects inheriting from class rsm.

### Value

Returns an object class logLik which is a number with attributes, attr(r, "df") (degrees of freedom) giving the number of parameters (regression coefficients plus scale parameter, if not fixed) in the model.

# Note

The default print method for logLik objects is used.

### See Also

```
rsm.object, logLik
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### **Examples**

```
## Sea Level Data
data(venice)
attach(venice)
Year <- 1:51/51
c11 <- cos(2*pi*1:51/11); s11 <- sin(2*pi*1:51/11)
c19 \leftarrow cos(2*pi*1:51/18.62); s19 \leftarrow sin(2*pi*1:51/18.62)
venice.rsm <- rsm(sea ~ Year + I(Year^2) + c11 + s11 + c19 + s19,</pre>
                   family = extreme)
logLik(venice.rsm)
detach()
```

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Approximate Marginal Inference Object

## **Description**

Class of objects returned when performing approximate conditional inference for regression-scale models.

# **Arguments**

Objects of class marg are implemented as a list. The following components are included:

a list whose elements are the spline interpolations of several first order and higher order statistics. They are used to implement the following likelihood quantities:

- the profile and modified profile/approximate marginal log likelihoods;
- the Wald pivots from the unconditional and conditional/approximate marginal MLES;
- the profile and modified/approximate marginal likelihood roots;
- the conditional/approximate marginal Lugannani-Rice tail area approximation;
- the correction term used in the higher order statistics;
- the conditional/marginal information and nuisance parameter aspects.

Method functions work mainly on this part of the object. In order to avoid errors in the calculation of confidence intervals and tail probabilities, this part of the object should not be modified.

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a  $2\times2$  matrix containing the unconditional and approximate conditional/marginal MLEs and their standard errors.

call the function call that created the marg object.

formula the model formula.

family the name of the error distribution.

offset the covariate occurring in the model formula whose coefficient represents the parameter of interest or scale if the parameter of interest is the scale parameter.

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diagnostics diagnostics related to the decomposition of the higher order adjustments into an information and a nuisance parameters term.

n.approx the number of output points for which the statistics have been calculated exactly. the range of values omitted in the spline interpolation of some of the higher order statistics considered. The aim is to avoid numerical instabilities around the maximum likelihood estimate.

is.scalar a logical value indicating whether there are any nuisance parameters. If FALSE there are none.

Main references for the methods considered are the papers by Barndorff-Nielsen (1991), DiCiccio, Field and Fraser (1990) and DiCiccio and Field (1991). The theory and statistics used are summarized in Brazzale (2000, Chapters 2 and 3). More details of the implementation and of the methods considered are given in Brazzale (1999; 2000, Section 6.3.1).

### Generation

This class of objects is returned from calls to the function cond.rsm.

# Methods

The class marg has methods for summary, plot, print, coef and family, among others.

#### Note

If the parameter of interest is the scale parameter, all calculations are performed on the logarithmic scale, though most results are reported on the original scale.

#### References

Barndorff-Nielsen, O. E. (1991) Modified signed log likelihood ratio. Biometrika, 78, 557–564.

Brazzale, A. R. (1999) Approximate conditional inference for logistic and loglinear models. *J. Comput. Graph. Statist.*, **8**, 653–661.

Brazzale, A. R. (2000) *Practical Small-Sample Parametric Inference*. Ph.D. Thesis N. 2230, Department of Mathematics, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne.

DiCiccio, T. J., Field, C. A. and Fraser, D. A. S. (1990) Approximations of marginal tail probabilities and inference for scalar parameters. *Biometrika*, **77**, 77–95.

DiCiccio, T. J. and Field, C. A. (1991) An accurate method for approximate conditional and Bayesian inference about linear regression models from censored data. *Biometrika*, **78**, 903–910.

### See Also

cond.rsm, summary.marg, plot.marg

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Metsulfuron Methyl Data

# Description

The metsulfuron data frame has 40 rows and 3 columns.

Bioassay on the action of metsulfuron methyl, a sulfunylurea herbicide, on a tissue culture of *Brassica napus L*. The experiment consists of 8 doses and 5 replications at each level.

# Usage

```
data(metsulfuron)
```

#### **Format**

This data frame contains the following columns:

```
group indicator variable for each tested dose; dose the tested dose (nmol/l); area the callus area (mm^2).
```

## **Source**

The data were obtained from

Seiden, P., Kappel, D. and Streibig, J. C. (1998) Response of *Brassica napus L*. tissue culture to metsulfuron methyl and chlorsulfuron. *Weed Research*, **38**, 221–228. Dataset M2.

### References

Bellio, R., Jensen, J.E. and Seiden, P. (2000). Applications of likelihood asymptotics for nonlinear regression in herbicide bioassays. *Biometrics*, **56**, 1204–1212.

Brazzale, A. R. (2000) *Practical Small-Sample Parametric Inference*. Ph.D. Thesis N. 2230, Department of Mathematics, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne. Section 5.3, Example 7.

```
data(metsulfuron)
attach(metsulfuron)
plot(dose, area, xlab = "tested dose (nmol/1)",
     ylab = "log callus area (mm^2)", log = "y")
detach()
```

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Maximum Adjusted Profile Likelihood Estimation — Generic Function

### **Description**

Calculates the maximum adjusted profile likelihood estimates.

### Usage

```
mpl(fitted, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

fitted any fitted model object for which the maximum adjusted profile likelihood estimates can be calculated.
... absorbs any additional argument.

### **Details**

This function is generic (see methods); method functions can be written to handle specific classes of data. Classes which already have methods for this function include: nlreg.

#### Value

the maximum adjusted profile likelihood estimates for all parameters of a regression model or for a subset of them.

# See Also

```
mpl.nlreg, nlreg.object, methods
```

```
data(metsulfuron)
metsulfuron.nl <-
   nlreg(formula = log(area) \sim log(b1+(b2-b1) / (1+(dose/b4)^b3)),
           weights = ~ ( 1+dose^exp(g) )^2, data = metsulfuron, hoa = TRUE,
           start = c(b1 = 138, b2 = 2470, b3 = 2, b4 = 0.07, g = log(0.3)))
mpl( metsulfuron.nl, trace = TRUE )
options( object.size = 10000000 )
data(chlorsulfuron)
chlorsulfuron.nl <-
   nlreg(log(area) \sim log(b1+(b2-b1) / (1+(dose/b4)^b3)),
        weights = ^{(1+k*dose^g*(b2-b1)^2/(1+(dose/b4)^b3)^4*b3^2*dose^(2*b3-2)/}
                    b4^{(2*b3)}/(b1+(b2-b1)/(1+(dose/b4)^b3))^2),
        start = c(b1 = 2.2, b2 = 1700, b3 = 2.8, b4 = 0.28, g = 2.7, k = 1)
        data = chlorsulfuron, hoa = TRUE, trace = TRUE,
        control = list(x.tol = 10^{-12}, rel.tol = 10^{-12}, step.min = 10^{-12})
mpl( chlorsulfuron.nl, trace = TRUE )
```

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Maximum Adjusted Profile Likelihood Estimates for a 'nlreg' Object

## Description

Calculates the maximum adjusted profile likelihood estimates of the variance parameters for a non-linear heteroscedastic model.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'nlreg'
mpl(fitted, offset = NULL, stats = c("sk", "fr"),
    control = list(x.tol = 1e-6, rel.tol = 1e-6, step.min = 1/2048,
    maxit = 100), trace = FALSE, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

fitted	a nlreg object, that is, the result of a call to nlreg with non-constant variance function.
offset	a numerical vector whose elements are named after the variance parameters appearing in the nonlinear model. These will be fixed to the values specified in offset. The name logs is used to identify the constant term $\log(\sigma^2)$ which is included by default in the variance function (see the weights argument in nlreg). The default is NULL.
stats	character value indicating which correction term to use. Admissible values are "sk" for <i>Skovgaard's</i> (1996) proposal and "fr" for <i>Fraser</i> , <i>Reid and Wu's</i> (1999) approach. The default is "sk".
control	a list of iteration and algorithmic constants. See the <b>Details</b> section below for their definition.
trace	logical flag. If TRUE, details of the iterations are printed. Default is FALSE.
	absorbs any additional argument.

### **Details**

The mpl.nlreg routine returns nearly unbiased estimates of the variance parameters of a nonlinear heteroscedastic regression model by maximizing the corresponding adjusted profile likelihood (Barndorff-Nielsen, 1983). More precisely, it implements two approximations derived from the theories developed respectively by Skovgaard (1996) and Fraser, Reid and Wu (1999). The core algorithm alternates minimization of minus the adjusted profile log likelihood with respect to the variance parameters, and minimization of minus the profile log likelihood with respect to the regression coefficients. The first step is omitted if the offset argument is used in which case mpl.nlreg returns the constrained maximum likelihood estimates of the regression coefficients. The quasi-Newton optimizer optim is used in both steps. Starting values are retrieved from the nlreg object passed through the fitted argument.

The algorithm iterates until convergence or until the maximum number of iterations is reached. The stopping rule considers the relative difference between successive estimates of the variance

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parameters and the relative increment of the adjusted profile log likelihood. These are governed by the parameters x.tol and rel.tol/step.min, respectively. If the offset argument is used, the relative difference between successive estimates of the regression coefficients and the relative increment of the profile log likelihood are considered instead. If convergence has been reached, the results are saved in an object of class mpl. The output can be examined by print and summary. Components can be extracted using coef and param.

The theory is outlined in *Brazzale* (2000, Sections 3.1 and 3.2.3). Details of the implementation are given in *Brazzale* (2000, Section 6.3.1).

#### Value

an object of class mpl which inherits from nlreg. See mpl. object for details.

#### Side Effects

If trace = TRUE and offset = NULL, the iteration number and the corresponding adjusted profile log likelihood are printed.

#### Note

The argument control which controls the convergence criteria plays an important role. Fine-tuning of this argument helps surrounding a well-known problem in nonlinear regression, that is, convergence failure in cases where the likelihood and/or the adjusted profile likelihood are very flat.

#### References

Barndorff-Nielsen, O. E. (1983) On a formula for the distribution of the maximum likelihood estimator. *Biometrika*, **70**, 343–365.

Brazzale, A. R. (2000) *Practical Small-Sample Parametric Inference*. Ph.D. Thesis N. 2230, Department of Mathematics, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne.

Fraser, D.A.S., Reid, N. and Wu, J. (1999). A simple general formula for tail probabilities for frequentist and Bayesian inference. *Biometrika*, **86**, 249–264.

Skovgaard, I. (1996) An explicit large-deviation approximation to one-parameter tests. *Bernoulli*, **2**, 145–165.

#### See Also

```
mpl, mpl.object, nlreg.object, optim
```

```
data(metsulfuron)
metsulfuron.nl <-
    nlreg( formula = log(area) ~ log( b1+(b2-b1) / (1+(dose/b4)^b3) ),
        weights = ~ ( 1+dose^exp(g) )^2, data = metsulfuron, hoa = TRUE,
        start = c(b1 = 138, b2 = 2470, b3 = 2, b4 = 0.07, g = log(0.3)) )
##
## MMPLE of the variance parameters
##</pre>
```

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Maximum Adjusted Profile Likelihood Object

# **Description**

Class of objects returned when calculating the maximum adjusted profile likelihood estimates of the variance parameters of a nonlinear heteroscedastic model.

# **Arguments**

The following components must be included in a mpl object:

the maximum adjusted profile likelihood estimates of the variance parameters.

veePaicients the constrained MLEs of the regression coefficients given the maximum adjusted

profile likelihood estimates of the variance parameters.

offset the values passed through the offset argument in the call to mpl.nlreg that

generated the mpl object and to which the variance parameters were fixed.

varParMLE the MLEs of the variance parameters.

coefMLE the MLEs of the regression coefficients.

varParCov the (asymptotic) covariance matrix of the variance parameters, that is, the corre-

sponding block in the inverse of the observed information matrix.

coefCov the (asymptotic) covariance matrix of the regression coefficients, that is, the

corresponding block in the inverse of the observed information matrix.

1mp the adjusted profile log likelihood from the fit.

1p the profile log likelihood from the fit.

stats the indicator of which higher order solution was used.

formula the model formula.

meanFun the formula expression of the mean function.

varFun the formula expression of the variance function.

data a list representing a summary of the original data with the following compo-

nents.

'offset name' the predictor variable with no duplicated value.

repl the number of replicates available for each value of the predictor.

dupl a vector of the same length than the predictor variable indicating the position of each data point in the *offset name* component.

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t1 the sum of the reponses for each design point in the offset name component.

t2 the sum of the squared responses for each design point in the *offset name* component.

nobs the number of observations.

iter the number of interations needed for convergence; only if offset is not NULL.

call an image of the call to mpl.nlreg, but with all the arguments explicitly named.

a list containing information that is used in subsequent calculations, that is:

allPar the MLEs of all parameters.

homVar a logical value indicating whether the variance function is constant.

xVar a logical value indicating whether the variance function depends on the predictor variable.

hoa the value of the hoa argument in the call that generated the nlreg object passed through the fitted argument.

missingData a logical value indicating whether the data argument was missing in the call that generated the nlreg object passed through the fitted argument.

frame the name of the data frame if specified in the call to nlreg that generated the fitted argument.

iter the number of iteration required until convergence (only for non constant variance function).

md a function definition that returns the first two derivatives of the mean function
 if hoa = TRUE in the function call that generated the nlreg object passed
 through the fitted argument.

vd a function definition that returns the first two derivatives of the variance function if hoa = TRUE in the function call that generated the nlreg object passed through the fitted argument.

### Generation

ws

This class of objects is returned by the mpl.nlreg function. Class mpl inherits from class nlreg.

### Methods

Objects of this class have methods for the functions print, summary, coef and param.

### Note

The coefficients and variance parameters should be extracted by the generic functions of the same name, rather than by the \$ operator.

The data and ws components are not intended to be directly used by users, but rather contain information used by functions such as summary.

### See Also

mpl.nlreg, mpl, nlreg.object

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Fit a Nonlinear Heteroscedastic Model via Maximum Likelihood

### **Description**

Returns an object of class nlreg which represents a nonlinear heteroscedastic model fit of the data obtained by maximizing the corresponding likelihood function.

# Usage

### **Arguments**

formula

a formula expression as for other nonlinear regression models, of the form response ~ f(predictor) where f is a nonlinear function of the predictor involving a number of regression coefficients. Only one predictor variable can be included in the model formula. Missing values are not allowed.

weights

a formula expression of the form ~ V(predictor) where V is a nonlinear variance function involving the predictor or some transformation of it, variance parameters and/or regression coefficients. The error variance nlreg works with is

Var(error) = s^2 V(predictor)

where the constant term  $\sigma^2$  is included by default and must not be specified in the weights argument. The nlreg routine treats it on the logarithmic scale and assigns to it the parameter name logs. By default, the error variance is assumed to be constant.

data

an optional data frame in which to interpret the variables occurring in the model formula. Missing values are not allowed.

start

a numerical vector containing the starting values that initialize the iterative estimating procedure. Each component of the vector must be named and represents one of the parameters included in the mean and, if defined, variance function. Starting values have to be supplied for every model parameter, except for the constant term in the variance function which is included by default in the model. See the weights argument above.

offset

a numerical vector with a single named element. The name indicates the parameter of interest which will be fixed to the value specified. logs is used to identify the constant term  $\sigma^2$  which is included by default in the variance function.

subset

expression saying which subset of the rows of the data should be used in the fit. This can be a logical vector or a numeric vector indicating which observation numbers are to be included. All observations are included by default.

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control a list of iteration and algorithmic constants. See the **Details** section below for

their definition.

trace logical flag. If TRUE, details of the iterations are printed.

hoa logical flag. If TRUE, the first and second derivatives of the mean and, if defined,

variance functions are stored in the fitted model object. The default is FALSE.

#### **Details**

A nonlinear heteroscedastic model representing the relationship between two scalar quantities is fitted. The response is specified on the left-hand side of the formula argument. The predictor appears in the right-hand side of the formula and, if specified, weights arguments. Only one predictor variable can be included. Missing values in the data are not allowed.

The fitting criterion is maximum likelihood. The core algorithm implemented in nlreg alternates minimization of minus the log likelihood with respect to the regression coefficients and the variance parameters. The quasi-Newton optimizer optim is used in both steps. The constant term  $\sigma^2$  in

Var(error) = s^2 V(predictor) is included by default. In order to work with a real value,  $\sigma^2$  is estimated on the logarithmic scale, that is, the model is reparametrized into  $\log(\sigma^2)$  which gives rise to the parameter name logs. If the errors are homoscedastic, the second step is omitted and the algorithm switches automatically to nls. If the weights argument is omitted, homoscedasticity of the errors is assumed.

Starting values for all parameters have to be passed through the start argument except for  $\sigma^2$  for which the maximum likelihood estimate is available in closed form. Starting values should be chosen carefully in order to avoid convergence to a local maximum.

The algorithm iterates until convergence or until the maximum number of iterations defined by maxit is reached. The stopping rule considers the relative difference between successive estimates and the relative increment of the log likelihood. These are governed by the parameters x.tol and rel.tol/step.min, respectively.

If convergence has been reached, the results are saved in an object of class nlreg. The output can be examined by print and summary. Components can be extracted using coef, param, fitted and residuals. The model fit can be updated using update. Profile plots and profile pair sketches are provided by profile, and contour. Diagnostic plots are obtained from nlreg.diag.plots or simply plot.

The details are given in *Brazzale* (2000, Section 6.3.1).

#### Value

An object of class nlreg is returned which inherits from nls. See nlreg.object for details.

### **Side Effects**

If trace = TRUE, the iteration number and the corresponding log likelihood are printed.

## Note

The arguments hoa and control play an important role. The first forces the algorithm to save the derivatives of the mean and variance functions in the fitted model object. This is imperative if one

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wants to save execution time, especially for complex models. Fine-tuning of the control argument which controls the convergence criteria helps surrounding a well-known problem in nonlinear regression, that is, convergence failure in cases where the likelihood is very flat.

If the errors are homoscedastic, the nlreg routine switches automatically to nls which, although rarely, dumps because of convergence problems. To avoid this, either reparametrize the model (see *Bates and Watts*, 1988) or choose starting values that are more realistic. This advice also holds in case of convergence problems for models with non constant variance function. Use the trace = TRUE argument to gain insight into what goes on at the different iteration steps.

The weights argument has a different meaning than in other model fitting routines such as lm and glm. It defines the variance function of the nonlinear model and not a vector of observation weights that are multiplied into the squared residuals.

#### References

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Seber, G. A. F. and Wild, C. J. (1989) Nonlinear Regression. New York: Wiley.

#### See Also

```
nlreg.object, nls
```

```
library(boot)
data(calcium)
##
## Homoscedastic model fit
calcium.nl <- nlreg( cal \sim b0*(1-exp(-b1*time)), start = c(b0 = 4, b1 = 0.1),
                      data = calcium )
##
## Heteroscedastic model fit
calcium.nl <- nlreg( cal \sim b0*(1-exp(-b1*time)), weights = \sim ( 1+time^g )^2,
                      start = c(b0 = 4, b1 = 0.1, g = 1), data = calcium,
                      hoa = TRUE)
## or
calcium.nl <- update(calcium.nl, weights = ~ (1+time^g)^2,</pre>
                      start = c(b0 = 4, b1 = 0.1, g = 1), hoa = TRUE)
##
##
## Power-of-X (POX) variance function
##
data(metsulfuron)
metsulfuron.nl <-
    nlreg(log(area) \sim log(b1+(b2-b1) / (1+(dose/b4)^b3)),
           weights = ~ ( 1+dose^exp(g) )^2, data = metsulfuron,
           start = c(b1 = 138, b2 = 2470, b3 = 2, b4 = 0.07, g = log(0.3)),
           hoa = TRUE)
```

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```
##
## Power-of-mean (POM) variance function
##
data(ria)
ria.nl <- nlreg( count \sim b1+(b2-b1) / (1+(conc/b4)^{\circ}b3),
                                                              weights = ^{\sim} ( b1+(b2-b1) / (1+(conc/b4)^b3) )^g, data = ria,
                                                              start = c(b1 = 1.6, b2 = 20, b3 = 2, b4 = 300, g = 2),
                                                              hoa = TRUE, trace = TRUE )
##
##
## Error-in-variables (EIV) variance function
##
data(chlorsulfuron)
options( object.size = 10000000 )
chlorsulfuron.nl <-</pre>
              nlreg(log(area) \sim log(b1+(b2-b1) / (1+(dose/b4)^b3)),
                             weights = ^{\sim} ( 1+k*dose^{g}*(b2-b1)^{2}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*b3^{2}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b4)^{b3})^{4}*dose^{(2*b3-2)}/(1+(dose/b
                                                                         b4^(2*b3)/(b1+(b2-b1)/(1+(dose/b4)^b3))^2),
                             start = c(b1 = 2.2, b2 = 1700, b3 = 2.8, b4 = 0.28, g = 2.7, k = 1),
                             data = chlorsulfuron, hoa = TRUE, trace = TRUE,
                             control = list(x.tol = 10^-12, rel.tol = 10^-12, step.min = 10^-12))
```

nlreg.diag

Nonlinear Heteroscedastic Model Diagnostics

# **Description**

Calculates different types of residuals, influence measures and leverages for a nonlinear heteroscedastic model.

## Usage

```
nlreg.diag(fitted, hoa = TRUE, infl = TRUE, trace = FALSE)
```

## **Arguments**

fitted	a nlreg object, that is, the result of a call to nlreg.
hoa	logical value indicating whether higher order asymptotics should be used for calculating the regression diagnostics. Default is TRUE.
infl	logical value indicating whether influence measures should be calculated on the basis of a leave-one-out analysis. Default is TRUE.
trace	logical value. If TRUE, details of the iterations are printed. Default is FALSE.

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#### **Details**

The regression diagnostics implemented in the nlreg.diag routine follow two approaches. The first exploits, where possible, the analogy with linear models, that is, it applies the classical definitions of residuals, leverages and Cook's distance after having linearized the nonlinear model through Taylor series expansion (*Carroll and Ruppert*, 1988, Section 2.8). The second approach uses the mean shift outlier model (*Cook and Weisberg*, 1982, Section 2.2.2), where a dummy variable is included for each observation at a time, the model refitted and the significance of the corresponding coefficient assessed.

The leverages are defined in analogy to the linear case (Brazzale, 2000, Appendix A.2.2). Two versions are available. In the first case the sub-block of the inverse of the expected information matrix corresponding to the regression coefficients is used in the definition. In the second case, this matrix is replaced by the inverse of M'WM, where M is the  $n \times p$  matrix whose ith row is the gradient of the mean function evaluated at the ith data point and ith is a diagonal matrix whose elements are the inverses of the variance function evaluated at each data point.

If the model is correctly specified, all residuals follow the standard normal distribution. The second kind of leverages described above are used to calculate the approximate studentized residuals, whereas the generalized Pearson residuals use the first kind. The ith generalized Pearson residual can also be obtained as the score statistic for testing the significance of the dummy coefficient in the mean shift outlier model for observation i. Accordingly, the ith deletion and  $r^*$ -type residuals are defined as respectively the likelihood root and modified likelihood root statistics (r and  $r^*$ ) for the same situation (Bellio, 2000, Section 2.6.1).

Different influence measures were implemented in nlreg.diag. If infl = TRUE, the global measure (Cook and Weisberg, 1982, Section 5.2) and two partial ones (Bellio, 2000, Section 2.6.2), the first measuring the influence of each observation on the regression coefficients and the second on the variance parameters, are returned. They are calculated through a leave-one-out analysis, where one observation at a time is deleted and the model refitted. In order to avoid a further model fit, the constrained maximum likelihood estimates that would be needed are approximated by means of a Taylor series expansion centered at the MLEs. If infl = FALSE, only an approximation to Cook's distance, obtained from a first order Taylor series expansion of the partial influence measure for the regression coefficients, is returned.

A detailed account of regression diagnostics can be found in *Davison and Snell (1991)* and *Davison and Tsai (1992)*. The details and in particular the definitions of the above residuals and diagnostics are given in *Brazzale (2000, Section 6.3.1 and Appendix A.2.2)*.

#### Value

Returns an object of class nlreg.diag with the following components:

fitted	the fitted values, that is, the mean function evaluated at each data point.
resid	the response (or standardized) residuals from the fit.
rp	the generalized Pearson residuals from the fit.
rs	the approximate studentized residuals from the fit.
rj	the deletion residuals from the fit; only if hoa = TRUE.
rsj	the $r^*$ -type residuals from the fit; only if hoa = TRUE.
h	the leverages of the observations.

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ha	the approximate leverages of the observations.
cook	an approximation to Cook's distance for the regression coefficients.
ld	the global influence of each observation; only for heteroscedastic errors and if ${\tt infl}$ = TRUE.
ld.rc	the partial influence of each observation on the estimates of the regression coefficients; only for heteroscedastic errors and if $infl = TRUE$ .
ld.vp	the partial influence of each observation on the estimates of the variance parameters; only for heteroscedastic errors and if $infl = TRUE$ .
npar	the number of regression coefficients.

#### Side Effects

If trace = TRUE, the number of the observation currently considered in the mean shift outlier model or omitted in the leave-one-out analysis (see **Details** section above) is printed; only if hoa = TRUE or infl = TRUE.

## Acknowledgments

This function is based on A. J. Canty's function glm.diag contained in library boot.

#### Note

The calculation of the deletion and  $r^*$ -type residuals and of the influence measures can be time-consuming. In the first case, the mean shift outlier model has to be refitted as many times as the total number of observations. In the second case, the original model is refitted the same amount of times, where one observation at a time is deleted. Furthermore, the definition of the  $r^*$ -type residuals requires differentiation of the mean function of the mean shift outlier model. These calculations can be avoided by changing the default setting of the arguments hoa and infl to FALSE.

To obtain some of the regression diagnostics (typically those based on higher order statistics), the model is repeatedly refitted for different values of the mean shift outlier model parameter. Although rarely, convergence problems may occur as the starting values are chosen in an automatic way. A try construct is used to prevent the nlreg.diag method from breaking down. Hence, the values of the diagnostics are not available where a convergence problem was encountered. A warning is issued whenever this occurs.

## References

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#### See Also

```
nlreg.diag.plots, nlreg.object
```

# **Examples**

```
library(boot)
data(calcium)
calcium.nl <- nlreg( cal \sim b0*(1-exp(-b1*time)), weights = \sim ( 1+time^g )^2,
                      data=calcium, start = c(b0 = 4, b1 = 0.1, g = 1),
                      hoa = TRUE)
calcium.diag <- nlreg.diag( calcium.nl )</pre>
plot( calcium.diag, which = 9 )
calcium.diag <- nlreg.diag( calcium.nl, hoa = FALSE, infl = FALSE)</pre>
plot(calcium.diag, which = 9)
## Not available
```

nlreg.object

Nonlinear Heteroscedastic Model Object

### Description

Class of objects returned when fitting a nonlinear heteroscedastic model.

### **Arguments**

The following components must be included in a nlreg object:

the MLEs of the regression coefficients, that is, of the parameters appearing in the right-hand side of the formula argument in the call that generated the nlreg object.

**vae**₱ar the MLEs of the variance parameters appearing in the weights argument of the

call that generated the nlreg object. If this argument was missing, the MLE of

 $\log(\sigma^2)$ , the logarithm of the constant variance, is returned.

offset a numerical vector with a single named element indicating the parameter of

interest and the value to which it was fixed while fitting the nonlinear model.

logLik the log likelihood from the fit.

meanFun the formula expression of the mean function.

varFun the formula expression of the variance function. 58 nlreg.object

data a list representing a summary of the original data with the following components:

'offset name' the predictor variable with no duplicated value.

repl the number of replicates available for each value of the predictor.

dupl a vector of the same length than the predictor variable indicating the position of each data point in the *offset name* component.

t1 the sum of the reponses for each design point in the offset name component.

t2 the sum of the squared responses for each design point in the *offset name* component.

the fitted values, that is, the mean function evaluated at each data point.

weights the variance function evaluated at each data point.
residuals the response/standardized residuals from the fit.
start the starting values used to initialize the fitting routine.

call an image of the call to nlreg, but with all the arguments explicitly named.

a list containing information that is used in subsequent calculations with the following components:

allPar the MLEs of all parameters.

homVar a logical value indicating whether the variance function is constant.

xVar a logical value indicating whether the variance function depends on the predictor variable.

hoa the value of the hoa argument in the call that generated the nlreg object.

missingData a logical value indicating whether the data argument was missing in the call that generated the nlreg object.

frame the name of the data frame if specified in the call to nlreg.

iter the number of iteration required until convergence (only for non constant variance function).

md a function definition that returns the first two derivatives of the mean function if hoa = TRUE in the function call that generated the nlreg object.

vd a function definition that returns the first two derivatives of the variance function if hoa = TRUE in the function call that generated the nlreg object.

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This class of objects is returned by the nlreg function to represent a fitted nonlinear heteroscedastic model. Class nlreg inherits from class nls, which represents a homoscedastic nonlinear model fit.

### Methods

Objects of this class have methods for the functions print, summary, fitted among others.

## Note

The residuals, fitted values and coefficients should be extracted by the generic functions of the same name, rather than by the \$ operator.

The data and ws components are not intended to be directly accessed by users, but rather contain information invoked by functions such as profile and nlreg.diag.

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### See Also

nlreg, nls

nuclear

Nuclear Power Station Data

# **Description**

This data frame contains data on the construction of 32 light water reactors constructed in the USA.

# Usage

```
data(nuclear)
```

### **Format**

A data frame with 32 observations on the following 11 variables.

cost cost of construction (in billions of dollars adjusted to a 1976 base)

date date at which the construction permit was issued

T1 time between application for and issue of permit

T2 time between issue of operating license and construction permit

cap power plant capacity (in MWe)

PR 1 if light water reactor already present on site

NE 1 if constructed in north-east region of USA

CT 1 if cooling tower used

BW 1 if nuclear steam supply system manufactured by Babcock-Wilcox

N cumulative number of power plants constructed by each architect-engineer

PT 1 if partial turnkey plant

# Source

The data were obtained from

Cox, D.R. and Snell, E.J. (1981). *Applied Statistics* (page 81, Example G). Chapman and Hall, London.

```
data(nuclear)
```

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obsInfo

Returns the Observed Information Matrix — Generic Function

# Description

Returns the observed information matrix from a fitted model object.

# Usage

```
obsInfo(object, ...)
```

# Arguments

object any fitted model object for which the observed information matrix can be calculated.

... absorbs any additional argument.

### **Details**

This function is generic (see methods); method functions can be written to handle specific classes of data. Classes which already have methods for this function include: nlreg.

### Value

the observed information matrix for a fitted regression model.

# See Also

```
obsInfo.nlreg, nlreg.object, expInfo
```

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	obsInfo.nlreg	Observed Information Matrix for 'nlreg' Objects	
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# Description

Returns the observed information matrix from a fitted nlreg model.

# Usage

# **Arguments**

object	a fitted nlreg object such as returned by a call to nlreg.
par	a vector of parameter values where each element is named after the parameter it represents. If missing, the values in the $ws$ =11Par component of object are used.
mu	numerical vector containing the mean function evaluated at each data point. If missing, the fitted values saved in object are used.
V	numerical vector containing the variance function evaluated at each data point. If missing, the values of the weights component of object are used.
m1	a matrix whose rows represent the gradients of the mean function evaluated at each data point. If NULL, the gradient attribute of the object returned by a call to Dmean is used.
m2	a three-way array whose rows represent the Hessian of the mean function evaluated at each data point. If NULL, the hessian attribute of the object returned by a call to ${\sf Dmean}$ is used.
v1	a matrix whose rows represent the gradient of the variance function evaluated at each data point. If NULL, the gradient attribute of the object returned by a call to Dvar is used.
v2	a three-way array whose rows represent the Hessian of the variance function evaluated at each data point. If NULL, the hessian attribute of the object returned by a call to <code>Dvar</code> is used.
	absorbs any additional argument.

# **Details**

This function is a method for the generic function obsInfo for objects inheriting from class nlreg.

# Value

the observed information matrix of the fitted nonlinear model passed through the object argument.

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### Note

This function is mostly intended for internal use. It is called by functions such as summary.nlreg and profile.nlreg. To extract the observed information matrix from a fitted nlreg object, the generic method obsInfo should be used.

#### See Also

```
obsInfo, nlreg.object, expInfo
```

param

Extract All Parameters from a Model — Generic Function

# **Description**

This function extracts all parameters (regression coefficients, variance parameters etc.) from a fitted model.

# Usage

```
param(object, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

object any fitted model object from which parameters may be extracted.
... additional arguments like digits to control how many digits should be printed.

#### **Details**

This function is generic (see methods); method functions can be written to handle specific classes of data. Classes which already have methods for this function include: nlreg.

## Value

all parameters (regression coefficients, variance parameters etc.) of a fitted model.

# See Also

```
param.nlreg, methods
```

```
data(metsulfuron)
metsulfuron.nl <-
    nlreg( log(area) ~ log( b1+(b2-b1) / (1+(dose/b4)^b3) ),
        weights = ~( 1+dose^exp(g) )^2, data = metsulfuron,
        start = c(b1 = 138, b2 = 2470, b3 = 2, b4 = 0.07, g = log(0.3)),
        hoa = TRUE )
param( metsulfuron.nl )
## b1 b2 b3 b4 g logs
## 139.0395322 2471.5097481 1.7091297 0.0772535 -1.2582597 -3.8198406</pre>
```

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plot.cond

Generate Plots for an Approximate Conditional Inference Object

# Description

Creates a set of plots for an object of class cond.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'cond'
plot(x = stop("nothing to plot"), from = x.axis[1], to = x.axis[n],
    which = NULL, alpha = 0.05, add.leg = TRUE, loc.leg = FALSE,
    add.labs = TRUE, cex = 0.7, cex.lab = 1, cex.axis = 1,
    cex.main = 1, lwd1 = 1, lwd2 = 2, lty1 = "solid",
    lty2 = "dashed", col1 = "black", col2 = "blue", tck = 0.02,
    las = 1, adj = 0.5, lab = c(15, 15, 5), ...)
```

# **Arguments**

Х	a cond object. This is assumed to be the result returned by the cond.glm function.
from	starting value for the x-axis range. The default value has been set by cond.glm.
to	ending value for the x-axis range. The default value has been set by cond.glm.
which	which plot should be printed. Admissible values are 2 to 8 corresponding to the choices in the menu below.
alpha	the level used to read off confidence intervals; default is 5%.
add.leg	if TRUE, a legend is added to each plot; default is TRUE.
loc.leg	if TRUE, position of the legend can be located by hand; default is FALSE.
add.labs	if TRUE, labels are added; default is TRUE.
cex, cex.lab,	cex.axis, cex.main
	character expansions relative to the standard size of the device to be used for printing text, labels, axes and main title. See par for details.
lwd1, lwd2	line width used to compare different curves in the same plot; default is 1wd2 = 2 for higher order solutions and 1wd1 = 1 for first order solutions.
lty1, lty2	line type used to compare different curves in the same plot; default is lty2 = "dashed" for the Wald statistic and lty1 = "solid" for the remaining first- and higher order statistics.
col1, col2	colors used to compare different curves in the same plot; default is col2 = "blue" for higher order solutions, and col1 = "black" for the remaining first order statistics.
tck, las, adj,	lab
	further graphical parameters. See par for details.
	optional graphical parameters; see par for details.

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#### **Details**

Several plots are produced for an object of class cond. A menu lists all the plots that can be produced. They may be one or all of the following ones:

```
Make a plot selection (or 0 to exit)

1:plot: All
2:plot: Profile and modified profile log likelihoods
3:plot: Profile and modified profile likelihood ratios
4:plot: Profile and modified likelihood roots
5:plot: Modified and continuity corrected likelihood roots
6:plot: Lugannani-Rice approximations
7:plot: Confidence intervals
8:plot: Diagnostics based on INF/NP decomposition

Selection:
```

If no nuisance parameters are presented, a subset of the above pictures is produced. More details on the implementation are given in *Brazzale* (1999, 2000).

This function is a method for the generic function plot() for class cond. It can be invoked by calling plot or directly plot.cond for an object of the appropriate class.

### Value

A plot is created on the current graphics device.

### Side Effects

The current device is cleared. When add.leg = TRUE, a legend is added to each plot, and if loc.leg = TRUE, it can be set by the user. All screens are closed, but not cleared, on termination of the function.

### Note

The diagnostic plots only represent a preliminary version and need further development.

The two panels on the right trace the information and nuisance correction terms, INF and NP, against the likelihood root statistic. These are generally smooth functions and used to approximate the information and nuisance parameter aspects as a function of the parameter of interest, as shown in the two panels on the left. This procedure has the advantage of largely eliminating the numerical instabilities that affect the statistics around the MLE. The circles in the two leftmost panels represent the limit of INF and NP at the MLE calculated exactly using numerical derivatives. All four pictures are intended to give an idea of the order of magnitude of the two correction terms while trying to deal with the numerical problems that likely occur for these kinds of data.

More details can be found in Brazzale (2000, Appendix B.2).

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### References

Brazzale, A. R. (1999) Approximate conditional inference for logistic and loglinear models. *J. Comput. Graph. Statist.*, **8**, 1999, 653–661.

Brazzale, A. R. (2000) *Practical Small-Sample Parametric Inference*, Ph.D. Thesis N. 2230, Department of Mathematics, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne.

#### See Also

```
cond.glm, cond.object, summary.cond
```

### **Examples**

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Plot a fr Object

### **Description**

Produces plots to show how various pivots depend on the parameter of interest psi and showing its profile log likelihood and modified profile log likelihood. Two further plots are produced if all=TRUE, and tests are performed if psi is given a value.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'fr'
plot(x, psi = NULL, all = FALSE, xl = "Interest parameter", ...)
```

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# Arguments

Χ	A Fraser-Reid object, the output of tem.
psi	Value of interest parameter psi for which tests may be required.
all	Logical, by default two plots are produced, but if all=T two additional plots are added.
xl	Character string containing label for abscissa of graphs.
	Absorbs additional graphical parameters.

#### **Details**

If psi=NULL, draws graphs showing: (top left) the likelihood root r, the modified likelihood root rstar, the Wald pivot z, and the likelihood modification q as functions of the parameter psi; (top right) the profile log likelihood and modified profile log likelihood as functions of psi; (lower left) the significance functions corresponding to the upper left panel; and (lower right) how the modification log(q/r)/r depends on r. If all=FALSE (the default) only the upper two graphs are plotted. The lower left panel is a transformation of that above it, and the lower right panel is intended as a possible diagnostic of failure of the asymptotic approximations; it should be a smooth function of r.

If psi is given a (single, scalar) value, then the significance functions for the Wald statistic, the likelihood root, and the modified likelihood root, are evaluated at this value, providing p-values for testing against larger values of psi.

# Value

See the details above.

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## References

Brazzale, A. R., Davison, A. C. and Reid, N. (2007). *Applied Asymptotics: Case Studies in Small-Sample Statistics*. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.

```
See also http://statwww.epfl.ch/AA.
```

#### See Also

```
tem, summary.fr, lik.ci
```

```
## See the examples to \l \in \
```

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plot.marg

Generate Plots for an Approximate Marginal Inference Object

# Description

Creates a set of plots for an object of class marg.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'marg'
plot(x = stop("nothing to plot"), from = x.axis[1], to = x.axis[n],
    which = NULL, alpha = 0.05, add.leg = TRUE, loc.leg = FALSE,
    add.labs = TRUE, cex = 0.7, cex.lab = 1, cex.axis = 1,
    cex.main = 1, lwd1 = 1, lwd2 = 2, lty1 = "solid",
    lty2 = "dashed", col1 = "black", col2 = "blue", tck = 0.02,
    las = 1, adj = 0.5, lab = c(15, 15, 5), ...)
```

# Arguments

Х	a marg object. This is assumed to be the result returned by the cond.rsm function.
from	the starting value for the x-axis range. The default value has been set by cond.rsm.
to	the ending value for the x-axis range. The default value has been set by cond.rsm.
which	which plot to print. Admissible values are 2 to 7 corresponding to the choices in the menu below.
alpha	the level used to read off confidence intervals; the default is 5%.
add.leg	if TRUE, a legend is added to each plot; default is TRUE.
loc.leg	if TRUE, the position of the legend can be located by hand; default is FALSE.
add.labs	if TRUE, labels are added; default is TRUE.
cex, cex.lab,	cex.axis, cex.main the character expansions relative to the standard size of the device to be used for printing text, labels, axes and main title. See par for details.
lwd1, lwd2	the line widths used to compare different curves in the same plot; default is 1wd2 = 2 for higher order solutions and 1wd1 = 1 for first order solutions.
lty1, lty2	line type used to compare different curves in the same plot; default is lty2 = "dashed" for the Wald statistic and lty1 = "solid" for the remaining first and higher order statistics.
col1, col2	colors used to compare different curves in the same plot; default is col2 = "blue" for higher order solutions, and col1 = "black" for the remaining first order statistics.
tck, las, adj,	
	further graphical parameters. See par for details.
• • •	optional graphical parameters; see par for details.

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#### **Details**

Several plots are produced for an object of class marg. A menu lists all the plots that can be produced. They may be one or all of the following ones:

Make a plot selection (or 0 to exit)

- 1: All
- 2: Profile and modified profile log likelihoods
- 3: Profile and modified profile likelihood ratios
- 4: Profile and modified likelihood root
- 5: Lugannani-Rice approximation
- 6: Confidence intervals
- 7: Diagnostics based on INF/NP decomposition

Selection:

If no nuisance parameters are presented, a subset of the above pictures is produced. A message is printed if this is the case. More details and examples are given in *Brazzale* (2000, Sections 6.5 and 5.3.2).

This function is a method for the generic function plot() for class marg. It can be invoked by calling plot or directly plot.marg for an object of the appropriate class.

## Value

A plot is created on the current graphics device.

### Side Effects

The current device is cleared. When add.leg is TRUE, a legend is added to each plot. Furthermore, if loc.leg is TRUE, the location of the legend can be set by the user. All screens are closed, but not cleared, on termination of the function.

### Note

If the parameter of interest is the scale parameter, all calculations are performed on the log scale, though most results are reported on the original scale.

Four diagnostic plots are provided. The two panels on the right trace the information and nuisance correction terms, INF and NP, against the likelihood root statistic. These are generally smooth functions and used to approximate the information and nuisance parameter aspects as a function of the parameter of interest, as shown in the two panels on the left. This procedure has the advantage of largely eliminating the numerical instabilities that affect the statistics around the MLE. All four pictures are intended to give an idea of the order of magnitude of the two correction terms while trying to deal with the numerical problems that likely occur for these kinds of data.

More details can be found in *Brazzale* (2000, Appendix B.2).

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### References

Brazzale, A. R. (2000) *Practical Small-Sample Parametric Inference*. Ph.D. Thesis N. 2230, Department of Mathematics, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne.

#### See Also

```
cond.rsm, marg.object, summary.marg
```

# **Examples**

plot.nlreg.contours *Use plot() on a 'nlreg.contours' object* 

# **Description**

This is a method for the function plot for objects inheriting from class nlreg.contours.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'nlreg.contours'
plot(x, alpha = c(0.1, 0.05), drawlabels = FALSE, lwd1 = 1, lwd2 = 1,
    lty1 = "solid", lty2 = "solid", cl1 = "blue", cl2 = "red",
    col = "black", pch1 = 1, pch2 = 16, cex = 0.5, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

```
a nlreg.contours object, that is, the result of a call to contour.all.nlreg.profiles. a numerical vector defining the levels of the contours; the default is c(0.1, 0.05), that is, 1 - \alpha = 0.9 and 1 - \alpha = 0.95. logical value. Contours are labelled if TRUE. lwd1, lwd2 the line widths used to compare different curves in the same plot; default is lwd2 = 2 for higher order solutions and lwd1 = 1 for first order solutions.
```

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lty1, lty2	line types used to compare different curves in the same plot; default is "solid" for all statistics.
cl1, cl2, col	colors used to compare different curves in the same plot; default is cl2 = "red" for higher order solutions, and cl1 = "blue" for the remaining first order statistics. The default color of the plot is col = "black".
pch1, pch2	character types used to compare different values in the same plot; default is pch2 = 16 for higher order solutions, and pch1 = 1 for the remaining first order statistics.
cex	the character expansions relative to the standard size of the device to be used for printing text. The default is $cex = 0.5$ .
	additional graphics parameters.

#### Value

No value is returned.

### **Side Effects**

A plot is produced on the current graphics device.

#### See Also

```
nlreg.contours.object, contour.all.nlreg.profiles
```

### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
data(metsulfuron)
metsulfuron.nl <-
    nlreg( formula = log(area) ~ log( b1+(b2-b1) / (1+(dose/b4)^b3) ),
        weights = ~ ( 1+dose^exp(g) )^2, data = metsulfuron,
        start = c(b1 = 138, b2 = 2470, b3 = 2, b4 = 0.07, g = log(0.3)),
        hoa = TRUE )
##
metsulfuron.prof <- profile( metsulfuron.nl, trace = TRUE )
metsulfuron.cont <- contour( metsulfuron.prof, ret = TRUE, plotit = FALSE )
par( mai = rep(0.2, 4) )
plot( metsulfuron.cont )
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

plot.nlreg.diag

Diagnostic Plots for Nonlinear Heteroscedastic Models

# **Description**

The nlreg.diag.plots routine generates diagnostic plots for a nonlinear heteroscedastic model using different types of residuals, influence measures and leverages. This is equivalent to using the plot.nlreg.diag method for function plot for objects inheriting from class nlreg.diag.

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# Usage

# Arguments

fitted	either a nlreg object, that is, the result of a call to nlreg, or a nlreg.diag object obtained from a call to nlreg.diag.
х	a nlreg.diag object obtained from a call to nlreg.diag.
which	which plot to draw. Admissible values are 2 to 9 which correspond to the choices below. The default is "all", which pops up a menu that lists all available plots.
subset	the subset of the data used in the original nlreg fit. Must be the same than the subset option used in the call to nlreg that generated the nlreg object for which the diagnostic plots are to be drawn. Needed only if the subset option is used in the call to nlreg.
iden	logical argument. If TRUE, the user will be prompted after the plots are drawn. A positive integer will select a plot and invoke identify() on that plot. After exiting identify, the user is again prompted, this loop continuing until the user responds to the prompt with 0. If iden is FALSE (default) the user cannot interact with the plots.
labels	a vector of labels for use with identify if iden is TRUE. If it is not supplied, the labels are derived from the nlreg.diag object argument fitted or x.
hoa	logical value indicating whether higher order asymptotics should be used for calculating the regression diagnostics. Needed only if fitted is a nlreg object. Default is TRUE.
infl	logical value indicating whether influence measures should be calculated on the basis of a leave-one-out analysis. Needed only if fitted is a nlreg object. Default is TRUE.
trace	logical value. If TRUE details of the iterations are printed. Needed only if fitted is a nlreg object. Default is FALSE.
ret	logical argument indicating whether the nlreg.diag object should be returned; the default is FALSE.
	additional graphics parameters.

# **Details**

The diagnostics required for the plots are calculated by nlreg.diag, either by passing a nlreg.diag object or by applying nlreg.diag internally to the nlreg object specified through fitted. These are then used to produce the plots on the current graphics device. A menu lists all possible choices. They may be one or all of the following.

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Make a plot selection (or 0 to exit)

```
1:plot: Summary
2:plot: Studentized residuals against fitted values
3:plot: r* residuals against fitted values
4:plot: Normal QQ-plot of studentized residuals
5:plot: Normal QQ-plot of r* residuals
6:plot: Cook statistic against h/(1-h)
7:plot: Global influence against h/(1-h)
8:plot: Cook statistic against observation number
9:plot: Influence measures against observation number
```

#### Selection:

In the normal scores plots, the dotted line represents the expected line if the residuals are normally distributed, that is, it is the line with intercept 0 and slope 1.

In general, when plotting Cook's distance or the global influence measure against the standardized leverages, there will be two dotted lines on the plot. The horizontal line is at 8/(n-2p), where n is the number of observations and p is the number of regression coefficients estimated. Points above this line may be points with high influence on the model. The vertical line is at 2p/(n-2p) and points to the right of this line have high leverage compared to the variance of the raw residual at that point. If all points are below the horizontal line or to the left of the vertical line then the line is not shown.

Use of iden = TRUE is encouraged for proper exploration of these plots as a guide to how well the model fits the data and whether certain observations have an unduly large effect on parameter estimates.

#### Value

If ret = TRUE, the nlreg.diag object is returned. Otherwise, there is no returned value.

## **Side Effects**

The current device is cleared. If iden = TRUE, interactive identification of points is enabled. All screens are closed, but not cleared, on termination of the function.

# Acknowledgments

This function is based on A. J. Canty's function glm.diag.plots contained in library boot.

### Note

Choices 3 and 5 are not available if hoa = FALSE in the call to nlreg.diag that generated the x argument. Choices 7 and 9 are not available if infl = FALSE in the same call. Plot number 9 is furthermore not available if the variance function is constant.

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## References

Brazzale, A. R. (2000) *Practical Small-Sample Parametric Inference*. Ph.D. Thesis N. 2230, Department of Mathematics, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne. Section 6.3.1 and Appendix A.2.2.

Davison, A. C. and Snell, E. J. (1991) Residuals and diagnostics. In *Statistical Theory and Modelling: In Honour of Sir David Cox* (eds. D. V. Hinkley, N. Reid, and E. J. Snell), 83–106. London: Chapman & Hall.

Davison, A. C. and Tsai, C.-L. (1992) Regression model diagnostics. *Int. Stat. Rev.*, 60, 337–353.

## See Also

```
nlreg.diag, nlreg.object, identify
```

## **Examples**

```
library(boot)
data(calcium)
calcium.nl <- nlreg( cal \sim b0*(1-exp(-b1*time)), weights = \sim ( 1+time^g )^2,
                     start = c(b0 = 4, b1 = 0.1, g = 1), data = calcium,
                     hoa = TRUE)
calcium.diag <- nlreg.diag( calcium.nl, trace = TRUE )</pre>
## menu-driven
## Not run:
plot( calcium.diag )
##
##
  Make a plot selection (or 0 to exit)
##
## 1:plot: Summary
## 2:plot: Studentized residuals against fitted values
## 3:plot: r* residuals against fitted values
## 4:plot: Normal QQ-plot of studentized residuals
## 5:plot: Normal QQ-plot of r* residuals
## 6:plot: Cook statistic against h/(1-h)
## 7:plot: Global influence against h/(1-h)
## 8:plot: Cook statistic against observation number
## 9:plot: Influence measures against observation number
##
## Selection:
## End(Not run)
## plot 5: Normal QQ-plot of r* residuals
plot( calcium.diag, which = 5, las = 1 )
nlreg.diag.plots( calcium.nl, which = 5, las = 1 )
```

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## **Description**

These are methods for the function plot for objects inheriting from class "profile.nlreg" or "all.profiles.nlreg".

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'nlreg.profile'
plot(x, alpha = 0.05, add.leg = FALSE, stats = c("sk", "fr"),
    cex = 0.7, cex.lab = 1, cex.axis = 1, cex.main = 1, lwd1 = 1,
    lwd2 = 2, lty1 = "solid", lty2 = "solid", cl1 = "blue",
    cl2 = "red", col = "black", ylim = c(-3,3), ...)
## S3 method for class 'all.nlreg.profiles'
plot(x, nframe, alpha = 0.05, stats = c("sk", "fr"), cex = 0.7,
    cex.lab = 1, cex.axis = 1, cex.main = 1, lwd1 = 1, lwd2 = 2,
    lty1 = "solid", lty2 = "solid", cl1 = "blue", cl2 = "red",
    col = "black", ylim = c(-3,3), ...)
```

## **Arguments**

X	an object of class profile.nlreg or all.profiles.nlreg such as generated by a call to profile.nlreg.
nframe	the number of frames into which to split the graphics device; only if $x$ is an all.profiles.nlreg object.
alpha	numeric vector with the levels used to read off confidence intervals; the default is 5% which corresponds to a confidence level of $1-\alpha=0.95$ .
stats	character value indicating which higher order statistics to plot. Admissible values are "sk" for <i>Skovgaard's</i> (1996) proposal and "fr" for <i>Fraser</i> , <i>Reid and Wu's</i> (1999) approach. The default is "sk".
add.leg	logical value indicating whether a legend should be added to the plot; only if x is a profile.nlreg object. The default is FALSE.
cex, cex.lab,	cex.axis, cex.main
	the character expansions relative to the standard size of the device to be used for printing text, labels, axes and main title. See par for details.
lwd1, lwd2	the line widths used to compare different curves in the same plot; default is 1wd2 = 2 for higher order solutions and 1wd1 = 1 for first order solutions.
lty1, lty2	line types used to compare different curves in the same plot; default is "solid" for all statistics.
cl1, cl2, col	colors used to compare different curves in the same plot; default is cl2 = "red" for higher order solutions, and cl1 = "blue" for the remaining first order statistics. The default color of the plot is col = "black".

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```
ylim a numerical vector with two elements defining the y-axis range; only if x is a profile.nlreg object.
... additional graphics parameters.
```

#### **Details**

The function defaults to:

#### Value

No value is returned.

#### **Side Effects**

A plot is produced on the current graphics device.

## References

Fraser, D.A.S., Reid, N. and Wu, J. (1999). A simple general formula for tail probabilities for frequentist and Bayesian inference. *Biometrika*, **86**, 249–264.

Skovgaard, I. (1996) An explicit large-deviation approximation to one-parameter tests. *Bernoulli*, **2**, 145–165.

#### See Also

```
profile.nlreg, nlreg.profile.objects, plot
```

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
data(metsulfuron)
metsulfuron.nl <-
    nlreg( formula = log(area) ~ log( b1+(b2-b1) / (1+(dose/b4)^b3) ),
        weights = ~ ( 1+dose^exp(g) )^2, data = metsulfuron,
        start = c(b1 = 138, b2 = 2470, b3 = 2, b4 = 0.07, g = log(0.3)),
        hoa = TRUE)
##
metsulfuron.prof <- profile( metsulfuron.nl, offset = g, trace = TRUE )
plot( metsulfuron.prof, lwd2 = 2 )
##</pre>
```

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```
metsulfuron.prof <- profile( metsulfuron.nl, trace = TRUE )
plot( metsulfuron.prof, lwd2 = 2, nframe = c(2,3) )
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

```
print.summary.cond Use print() on a "summary.cond" object
```

## **Description**

This is a method for the function print() for objects inheriting from class summary.cond. See print and print.default for the general behaviour of this function and for the interpretation of digits.

## Usage

## **Arguments**

х	a summary. cond object. This is assumed to be the result returned by the summary. cond function.
all	if TRUE all the information stored in the summary.cond object is printed, else only a subset of it. The default is FALSE.
Coef	if TRUE, the unconditional and conditional parameter estimates are printed. The default is TRUE.
int	if TRUE, confidence intervals are printed. The default is TRUE.
test	if TRUE, tests statistics and tail probabilities are printed. The default is FALSE.
digits	number of significant digits to be printed. The default depends on the value of digits set by options.
	additional arguments.

## **Details**

Changing the default values of all, Coef, int and test allows only a subset of the information in the summary.cond object to be printed. With all = FALSE, one-sided confidence intervals and the Lugannani-Rice tail approximations are omitted. See summary.cond for more details.

### Note

The amount of information printed may vary depending on whether there are any nuisance parameters.

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## See Also

```
summary.cond, cond.object, print.default
```

# **Examples**

print.summary.marg

Use print() on a "summary.marg" object

# Description

This is a method for the function print() for objects of class summary.marg. See print and print.default for the general behaviour of this function and for the interpretation of digits.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'summary.marg'
print(x, all = x$all, Coef = x$cf, int = x$int, test = x$hyp,
          digits = if(!is.null(x$digits)) x$digits else max(3, getOption("digits")-3),
          ...)
## S3 method for class 'summary.marg'
print(x, all, Coef, int, test, digits, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

х	a summary $.\mathrm{marg}$ object. This is assumed to be the result returned by the summary $.\mathrm{marg}$ function.
all	if TRUE all the information stored in the summary.marg object is printed, else only a subset of it. The default is FALSE.
Coef	if TRUE all parameter estimates are printed. The default is TRUE.
int	if TRUE confidence intervals are printed. The default is TRUE.
test	if TRUE test statistics and tail probabilities are printed. The default is FALSE.
digits	the number of significant digits to be printed. The default depends on the value of digits set by options.
	additional arguments.

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#### **Details**

Changing the default values of all, Coef, int and test allows only a subset of the information in the summary.marg object to be printed. With all = FALSE, one-sided confidence intervals and the Lugannani-Rice tail area approximation are omitted. See summary.marg for more details.

#### Note

If the parameter of interest is the scale parameter, all calculations are performed on the log scale, though most results are reported on the original scale.

The amount of information printed may vary depending on whether there are any nuisance parameters. A message is printed if there are none.

#### See Also

```
summary.marg, marg.object
```

## **Examples**

```
## House Price Data
data(houses)
houses.rsm <- rsm(price ~ ., family = student(5), data = houses)
houses.cond <- cond(houses.rsm, front)
print(summary(houses.cond), digits = 4)
print(summary(houses.cond), Coef = FALSE)</pre>
```

profile.nlreg

Profile Method for 'nlreg' Objects

## **Description**

Returns a list of elements for profiling a nonlinear heteroscedastic model.

## Usage

## **Arguments**

fitted offset a fitted nlreg object such as returned by a call to nlreg.

a single named element representing the parameter of interest (a regression coefficient or a variance parameter), or "all" if all parameters are to be profiled, provided that the model formula contains more than one regression coefficient. The constant term  $\log(\sigma^2)$  which is included by default in the variance function is referred to by logs (see the weights argument in nlreg). The default is "all".

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hoa	logical value indicating whether higher order statistics should be included; the default is TRUE.
precision	numerical value defining the maximum range of values, given by MLE $\pm$ precision*S.E., that are profiled. The default is 6.
signif	the maximum number of output points that are calculated exactly; the default is 30.
n	the approximate number of output points produced by the spline interpolation; the default is 50.
omit	numerical value defining the range of values, given by MLE $\pm$ omit*s.E, which is omitted in the spline interpolation of the higher order statistics. The purpose is to avoid numerical instabilities around the maximum likelihood estimate.
trace	if TRUE, details of the iterations are printed.
md	a function definition that returns the first two derivatives of the mean function; used by allProfiles.nlreg.
vd	a function definition that returns the first two derivatives of the variance function; used by allProfiles.nlreg.
all	logical switch used by allProfiles.nlreg.
	absorbs any additional argument.

#### **Details**

The function profile.nlreg calculates all elements necessary for profiling a scalar parameter of interest or all model parameters. The model formula must contain more than one regression coefficient.

A classical profile plot (Bates and Watts, 1988, Section 6.1.2) is a plot of the likelihood root statistic and of the Wald statistic against a range of values for the interest parameter. It provides a means to assess the accuracy of the normal approximation to the distribution of both statistics: the closer the corresponding curves are, the better the approximations. Confidence intervals can easily be read off for any desired level: the confidence bounds identify with the values on the x-axis at which the curves intersect the horizontal lines representing the standard normal quantiles of the desired level.

Profiling is performed by updating a fitted nonlinear heteroscedastic model. All statistics are calculated exactly for at maximum signif equally spaced points distributed around the MLE. To save execution time, the iterations start with a value close to the MLE and proceed in the two directions MLE  $\pm$   $\delta$ , until the absolute value of all statistics exceeds the threshold 2.4. The step size  $\delta$  is defined by the signif argument. A spline interpolation is used to extend them over the whole interval of interest. A range of values, defined by the omit argument is omitted to avoid numerical instabilities around the MLE. All results are stored in an object of class nlreg.profile or all.nlreg.profiles depending on the value assumed by the offset argument. The summary and plot method functions must be used to examine the output or represent it graphically. No print method is available.

If hoa = TRUE, profile.nlreg produces an enhanced version of the classical profile plots by including the third order modified likelihood root statistic  $r^*$ . More precisely, it implements two approximations to Barndorff-Nielsens's (1991) original formulation where the sample space derivatives are replaced by respectively the approximations proposed in Skovgaard (1996) and Fraser,

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Reid and Wu (1999). The idea is to provide insight into the behaviour of first order methods, such as detecting possible bias of the estimates or the influence of the model curvature.

The theory and statistics used are summarized in *Brazzale* (2000, Chapters 2 and 3). More details of the implementation are given in *Brazzale* (1999; 2000, Section 6.3.2).

#### Value

a list of elements of class nlreg.profile or, if offset = "all", of class all.nlreg.profiles for profiling a nonlinear heteroscedastic model. The nlreg.profile class considers a scalar parameter of interest, while the all.nlreg.profiles class ontains the profiles of all parameters – regression coefficients and variance parameters.

#### Side Effects

If trace = TRUE, the parameter which is currently profiled and the corresponding value are printed.

#### Note

profile.nlreg is a method for the generic function profile for class nlreg. It can be invoked by calling profile for an object of the appropriate class, or directly by calling profile.nlreg.

To obtain the profiles of the different statistics considered, the model is refitted several times while keeping the value of the parameter of interest fixed. Although rarely, convergence problems may occur as the starting values are chosen in an automatic way. A try construct is used to prevent the profile.nlreg method from breaking down. Hence, the values of the statistics are not available where a convergence problem was encountered. A warning is issued whenever this occurs.

#### References

Barndorff-Nielsen, O. E. (1991) Modified signed log likelihood ratio. *Biometrika*, 78, 557–564.

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### See Also

```
nlreg.profile.object, all.nlreg.profiles.object, profile
```

# Examples

```
## Not run:
data(metsulfuron)
metsulfuron.nl <-
    nlreg( formula = log(area) ~ log( b1+(b2-b1) / (1+(dose/b4)^b3) ),</pre>
```

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Rabbits Data

## Description

The rabbits data frame has 10 rows and 4 columns.

Five different doses of penicillin were administered to rabbits suffering from a streptococci infection and the number of recovering rabbits recorded. The rabbits are cross-classified according to whether the drug is administered immediately or delayed by an hour and a half. Interest focuses on whether the delay effects the treatment.

## Usage

```
data(rabbits)
```

### **Format**

This data frame contains the following columns:

cured the number of rabbits that recovered;

died the number of rabbits that died;

delay an indicator variable indicating whether the administration of penicillin was delayed by 1 1/2 hours;

penicil the penicillin dose.

### Source

Unknown.

## **Examples**

```
data(rabbits)
attach(rabbits)
fc <- cured/(cured + died)
coplot(fc ~ log(penicil) | delay, data = rabbits)</pre>
```

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Compute Residuals for Regression-Scale Models

### **Description**

Computes one of the six types of residuals available for regression-scale models.

## Usage

#### **Arguments**

object an object inheriting from class rsm representing a fitted regression-scale model.

type character string; defines the type of residuals, with choices "deviance", "pearson",

"response", "r.star", "prob" or "deletion"; the first is the default.

weighting character string; defines the weight matrix that should be used in the calculation

of the residuals and diagnostics. Possible choices are "observed", "score", "deviance" and "max"; see *Jorgensen* (1984) for their definition. The default

is "observed".

... absorbs any additional argument.

### **Details**

This is a method for the function residuals() for objects inheriting from class rsm. As several types of residuals are available for rsm objects, there is an additional optional argument type. The "deviance", "pearson", "r.star", "prob" and "deletion" residuals are derived from the final IRLS fit. The "response" residuals are standardized residuals on the scale of the response, the "prob" residuals are on the U(0,1) scale, whereas the remaining ones follow approximately the standard normal distribution.

The default weighting scheme used is "observed". The weights used are the values stored in the q2 component of the rsm object. Some of the IRLS weights returned by rsm may be negative if the error distribution is Student's t or user-defined. In order to avoid missing values in the residuals, the default weighting scheme used is then "score" unless otherwise specified. The "score" weights are also used by default if Huber's least favourable error distribution is used.

More details, in particular of the use of these residuals, are given in Brazzale (2000, Section 6.3.1).

### Value

A numeric vector of residuals. See *Davison and Snell (1991)* for detailed definitions of each type of residual.

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#### Note

The summary method for rsm objects produces response residuals. The residuals component of a rsm object contains the response residuals.

#### References

Brazzale, A. R. (2000) *Practical Small-Sample Parametric Inference*. Ph.D. Thesis N. 2230, Department of Mathematics, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne.

Davison, A. C. and Snell, E. J. (1991) Residuals and diagnostics. In *Statistical Theory and Modelling: In Honour of Sir David Cox* (eds. D.V. Hinkley, N. Reid, and E.J. Snell), 83–106. London: Chapman & Hall.

Davison, A. C. and Tsai, C.-L. (1992) Regression model diagnostics. *Int. Stat. Rev.*, **60**, 337–353. Jorgensen, B. (1984). The delta algorithm and GLIM. *Int. Stat. Rev.*, **52**, 283–300.

#### See Also

```
rsm.object, residuals
```

## **Examples**

ria

Radioimmunoassay Data

## **Description**

The ria data frame has 16 rows and 2 columns.

Run of a radioimmunoassay (RIA) to estimate the concentrations of a drug in samples of porcine serum. The experiment consists of 16 observations made at 8 different drug levels with two replications at each level.

#### Usage

```
data(ria)
```

## **Format**

This data frame contains the following columns:

```
conc the drug concentration (ng/ml);
```

count the observed percentage of radioactive gamma counts.

#### Source

The data were obtained from

Belanger, B. A., Davidian, M. and Giltinan, D. M. (1996) The effect of variance function estimation on nonlinear calibration inference in immunoassay data. *Biometrics*, **52**, 158–175. Table 1, first two columns.

### References

Brazzale, A. R. (2000) *Practical Small-Sample Parametric Inference*. Ph.D. Thesis N. 2230, Department of Mathematics, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne. Section 5.3, Example 6.

## **Examples**

```
data(ria)
attach(ria)
plot(conc, count, xlab="drug concentration (ng/ml)", ylab="gamma counts (%)")
detach()
```

rsm

Fit a Regression-Scale Model

## **Description**

Produces an object of class rsm which is a regression-scale model fit of the data.

# Usage

```
rsm(formula = formula(data), family = gaussian,
   data = sys.frame(sys.parent()), dispersion = NULL,
   weights = NULL, subset = NULL, na.action = na.fail,
   offset = NULL, method = "rsm.surv",
   control = glm.control(maxit=100, trace=FALSE),
   model = FALSE, x = FALSE, y = TRUE, contrasts = NULL, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

formula

a formula expression as for other linear regression models, of the form response ~ predictors where the predictors are separated by suitable operators. See the documentation of 1m and formula for details.

family

a family.rsm object, i.e. a list of functions and expressions characterizing the error distribution. Families supported are gaussian, student (Student's t), extreme (Gumbel or extreme value), logistic, logWeibull, logExponential, logRayleigh and Huber (Huber's least favourable). These represent calls to the corresponding generator functions. The calls to gaussian, extreme, logistic, logWeibull, logExponential and logRayleigh can be given without parentheses. The functions student and Huber may take as argument respectively the degrees of freedom (df) and the tuning constant (k). Users can construct their own families, as long as they have components compatible with those given in rsm. distributions. The demonstration file 'margdemo.R' that ships with the package shows how to create a new generator function. The default is gaussian.

data

an optional data frame in which to interpret the variables occurring in the model formula, or in the subset and the weights arguments. If this is missing, then the variables in the formula should be on the search list.

dispersion

if NULL, the scale parameter is taken to be unknown. If known, the numerical value can be passed. The default is NULL. Huber's least favourable distribution represents a special case. If dispersion is NULL, the maximum likelihood estimate is computed, while if TRUE the MAD estimate is calculated and the scale parameter fixed to this value in subsequent computations.

weights

the optional weights for the fitting criterion. If supplied, the response variable and the covariates are multiplied by the weights in the IRLS algorithm. The length of the weights argument must be the same as the number of observations. The weights must be nonnegative and it is strongly recommended that they be strictly positive, since zero weights are ambiguous, compared to use of the subset argument.

subset

expression saying which subset of the rows of the data should be used in the fit. This can be a logical vector (which is replicated to have length equal to the number of observations), or a numeric vector indicating which observation numbers are to be included, or a character vector of the row names to be included. All observations are included by default.

na.action

a function to filter missing data. This is applied to the model frame after any subset argument has been used. The default (with na.fail) is to create an error if any missing value is found. A possible alternative is na.omit, which deletes observations that contain one or more missing values.

offset

this can be used to specify an a priori known component to be included in the linear predictor during fitting. An offset term can be included in the formula instead or as well, and if both are specified their sum is used. Defaults to NULL

method

the fitting method to be used; the default is rsm.fit. The method model.frame simply returns the model frame.

control

a list of iteration and algorithmic constants. See glm. control for their names and default values.

model if TRUE, the model frame is returned; default is FALSE.

x if TRUE, the model matrix is returned; default is FALSE.

y if TRUE, the response variable is returned; default is TRUE.

contrasts a list of contrasts to be used for some or all of the factors appearing as variables

in the model formula. The names of the list should be the names of the corresponding variables, and the elements should either be contrast-type matrices (matrices with as many rows as levels of the factor and with columns linearly independent of each other and of a column of one's), or else they should be

functions that compute such contrast matrices.

... absorbs any additional argument.

#### **Details**

The model is fitted using *Iteratively Reweighted Least Squares*, IRLS for short (*Green, 1984*, *Jorgensen, 1984*). The working response and iterative weights are computed using the functions contained in the family.rsm object.

The two workhorses of rsm are rsm.fit and rsm.surv, which expect an X and Y argument rather then a formula. The first function is used for the families student with df < 3 and Huber; the second one, based on the survreg.fit routine for fitting parametric survival models, is used in case of extreme, logistic, logWeibull, logExponential, logRayleigh and student (with df > 2) error distributions. In the presence of a user-defined error distribution the rsm.fit routine is used. The rsm.null function is invoked to fit an empty (null) model.

The details are given in *Brazzale* (2000, Section 6.3.1).

### Value

an object of class rsm is returned which inherits from glm and lm. See rsm. object for details.

The output can be examined by print, summary, rsm.diag.plots and anova. Components can be extracted using fitted, residuals, formula and family. It can be modified using update. It has most of the components of a glm object, with a few more. Use rsm.object for further details.

## Note

In case of extreme, logistic, logWeibull, logExponential, logRayleigh and student (with df > 2) error distributions, both methods, rsm. fit (default choice) and rsm. surv, can be used to fit the model. There are, however, examples where one of the two algorithms (most likely the one invoked by rsm. surv) breaks down. If this is the case, try and refit the model with the alternative choice.

The message "negative iterative weights returned!" is returned if some of the iterative weights (q2 component of the fitted rsm object) are negative. These would be used by default by the rsm.diag routine for the definition of residuals and regression diagnostics. In order to avoid missing values (NAs), the default weighting scheme "observed" automatically switches to "score" unless otherwise specified.

#### References

Brazzale, A. R. (2000) *Practical Small-Sample Parametric Inference*. Ph.D. Thesis N. 2230, Department of Mathematics, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne.

Green, P. J. (1984) Iteratively reweighted least squares for maximum likelihood estimation, and some robust and resistant alternatives (with Discussion). *J. R. Statist. Soc.* B, **46**, 149–192.

Jorgensen, B. (1984) The delta algorithm and GLIM. Int. Stat. Rev., 52, 283-300.

#### See Also

```
rsm.object, rsm.fit, rsm.surv, rsm.null, rsm.families
```

## **Examples**

```
## House Price Data
data(houses)
houses.rsm <- rsm(price ~ ., family = student(5), data = houses)
## model fit including all covariates
houses.rsm <- rsm(price ~ ., family = student(5), data = houses,
                  method = "rsm.fit", control = glm.control(trace = TRUE))
## prints information about the iterative procedure at each iteration
update(houses.rsm, ~ . - bdroom + offset(7 * bdroom))
## "bdroom" is included as offset variable with fixed (= 7) coefficient
## Sea Level Data
data(venice)
attach(venice)
Year <- 1:51/51
venice.2.rsm <- rsm(sea ~ Year + I(Year^2), family = extreme)</pre>
## quadratic model fitted to sea level data
venice.1.rsm <- update(venice.2.rsm, ~. - I(Year^2))</pre>
## linear model fit
##
c11 \leftarrow cos(2*pi*1:51/11); s11 \leftarrow sin(2*pi*1:51/11)
c19 < -cos(2*pi*1:51/18.62); s19 < -sin(2*pi*1:51/18.62)
venice.rsm <- rsm(sea ~ Year + I(Year^2) + c11 + s11 + c19 + s19,</pre>
                  family = extreme)
## includes 18.62-year astronomical tidal cycle and 11-year sunspot cycle
venice.11.rsm <- rsm(sea ~ Year + I(Year^2) + c11 + s11, family = extreme)</pre>
venice.19.rsm <- rsm(sea ~ Year + I(Year^2) + c19 + s19, family = extreme)</pre>
## includes either astronomical cycle
## comparison of linear, quadratic and periodic (11-year, 19-year) models
plot(year, sea, ylab = "sea level")
lines(year, fitted(venice.1.rsm))
lines(year, fitted(venice.2.rsm), col="red")
lines(year, fitted(venice.11.rsm), col="blue")
lines(year, fitted(venice.19.rsm), col="green")
detach()
## Darwin's Data on Growth Rates of Plants
```

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Diagnostics for Regression-Scale Models

## Description

Calculates different types of residuals, Cook's distance and the leverages for a regression-scale model.

### Usage

```
rsm.diag(rsmfit, weighting = "observed")
```

# Arguments

rsmfit an rsm object, i.e. the result of a call to rsm.

weighting character string; defines the weight matrix that should be used in the calculation

of the residuals and diagnostics. Possible choices are "observed", "score", "deviance" and "max"; see *Jorgensen* (1984) for their definition. The default

is "observed".

#### **Details**

If the weighting scheme is "observed", the weights used are the values stored in the q2 component of the rsm object rsmfit. Otherwise, they are calculated by rsm.diag. Some of the IRLS weights returned by rsm may be negative if the error distribution is Student's t or user-defined. In order to avoid missing values in the residuals and regression diagnostics, the default weighting scheme used in rsm.diag switches automatically from "observed" to "score" unless otherwise specified. The "score" weights are also used by default if Huber's least favourable error distribution is used.

There are three types of residuals. The response residuals are taken on the response scale, whereas the probability transform residuals are on the U(0,1) scale. The remaining ones follow approximately the standard normal distribution.

More details and in particular the definitions of the above residuals and diagnostics can be found in *Brazzale* (2000, Section 6.3.1).

### Value

Returns a list with the following components:

resid the response residuals on the response scale.

rd the standardized deviance residuals from the IRLS fit.

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rp	the standardized Pearson residuals from the IRLS fit.
rg	the deletion residuals from the IRLS fit.
rs	the $r^*$ residuals from the IRLS fit.
rcs	the probability transform residuals from the IRLS fit.
cook	Cook's distance.
h	the leverages of the observations.
dispersion	the value of the scale parameter.

## Acknowledgments

This function is based on A.J. Canty's function glm.diag contained in the package boot.

#### Note

Huber's least favourable distribution represents a special case. The regression diagnostics are only meaningful if the errors *truly* follow a Huber-type distribution. This no longer holds if the option family = Huber in rsm is used to obtain the M-estimates of the parameters in place or the maximum likelihood estimates.

#### References

Brazzale, A. R. (2000) *Practical Small-Sample Parametric Inference*. Ph.D. Thesis N. 2230, Department of Mathematics, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne.

Jorgensen, B. (1984) The delta algorithm and GLIM. Int. Stat. Rev., 52, 283-300.

Davison, A. C. and Snell, E. J. (1991) Residuals and diagnostics. In *Statistical Theory and Modelling: In Honour of Sir David Cox* (eds. D. V. Hinkley, N. Reid, and E. J. Snell), 83–106. London: Chapman & Hall.

Davison, A. C. and Tsai, C.-L. (1992) Regression model diagnostics. Int. Stat. Rev., 60, 337-353.

#### See Also

```
rsm.diag.plots, rsm.object, summary.rsm
```

## **Examples**

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```
data(darwin)
darwin.rsm <- rsm(cross-self ~ pot - 1, family = Huber, data = darwin)
darwin.diag <- rsm.diag(darwin.rsm)
## score weights</pre>
```

rsm.diag.plots

Diagnostic Plots for Regression-Scale Models

# Description

Generates diagnostic plots for a regression-scale model using different types of residuals, Cook's distance and the leverages.

# Usage

## **Arguments**

rsmfit, x	a rsm object, i.e. the result of a call to rsm.
rsmdiag	the object returned by a call to rsm.diag containing the regression diagnostics for the regression-scale model defined by rsmfit. If not supplied, this object is created by rsm.diag.plots and returned upon request (if ret = TRUE).
weighting	character string; defines the weight matrix that should be used in the calculation of the residuals and diagnostics. Possible choices are "observed", "score", "deviance" and "max"; see <i>Jorgensen</i> (1984) for their definition. Will only be used if the rsmdiag argument is missing.
which	which plot to print. Admissible values are 2 to 7 corresponding to the choices in the menu below.
subset	subset of data used in the original rsm fit: should be the same than the subset option used in the call to rsm which generated rsmfit. Needed only if the subset option was used in the call to rsm.
iden	logical argument. If TRUE, the user will be prompted after the plots are drawn. A positive integer will select a plot and invoke identify() on that plot. After exiting identify(), the user is again prompted, this loop continuing until the user responds to the prompt with 0. If iden is FALSE (default) the user cannot interact with the plots.
labels	a vector of labels for use with identify() if iden is TRUE. If it is not supplied, then the labels are derived from rsmfit.
ret	logical argument indicating if rsmdiag should be returned; the default is FALSE.
	additional arguments such as graphical parameters.

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#### **Details**

The diagnostics required for the plots are calculated by rsm.diag. These are then used to produce the plots on the current graphics device.

A menu lists all the plots that can be produced. They may be one or all of the following:

Make a plot selection (or 0 to exit)

- 1: All
- 2: Response residuals against fitted values
- 3: Deviance residuals against fitted values
- 4: QQ-plot of deviance residuals
- 5: Normal QQ-plot of r\* residuals
- 6: Cook statistic against h/(1-h)
- 7: Cook statistic against observation number

Selection:

In the normal scores plots, the dotted line represents the expected line if the residuals are normally distributed, i.e. it is the line with intercept 0 and slope 1.

In general, when plotting Cook's distance against the standardized leverages, there will be two dotted lines on the plot. The horizontal line is at 8/(n-2p), where n is the number of observations and p is the number of estimated parameters. Points above this line may be points with high influence on the model. The vertical line is at 2p/(n-2p) and points to the right of this line have high leverage compared to the variance of the raw residual at that point. If all points are below the horizontal line or to the left of the vertical line then the line is not shown.

Use of iden = TRUE is encouraged for proper exploration of these plots as a guide to how well the model fits the data and whether certain observations have an unduly large effect on parameter estimates.

#### Value

If ret is TRUE then the value of rsmdiag is returned, otherwise there is no returned value.

## **Side Effects**

The current device is cleared. If iden = TRUE, interactive identification of points is enabled. All screens are closed, but not cleared, on termination of the function.

## Acknowledgments

This function is based on A. J. Canty's function glm.diag.plots contained in the package boot.

### References

Davison, A. C. and Snell, E. J. (1991) Residuals and diagnostics. In *Statistical Theory and Modelling: In Honour of Sir David Cox* (eds. D. V. Hinkley, N. Reid, and E. J. Snell), 83–106. London: Chapman & Hall, London.

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Davison, A. C. and Tsai, C.-L. (1992) Regression model diagnostics. *Int. Stat. Rev.*, **60**, 337–353. Jorgensen, B. (1984) The Delta Algorithm and GLIM. *Int. Stat. Rev.*, **52**, 283–300.

#### See Also

```
rsm.diag, rsm.object, identify
```

## **Examples**

```
## Sea Level Data
data(venice)
attach(venice)
Year <- 1:51/51
c11 <- cos(2*pi*1:51/11) ; s11 <- sin(2*pi*1:51/11)
c19 \leftarrow cos(2*pi*1:51/18.62); s19 \leftarrow sin(2*pi*1:51/18.62)
venice.rsm <- rsm(sea ~ Year + I(Year^2) + c11 + s11 + c19 + s19,</pre>
                  family = extreme)
## Not run:
rsm.diag.plots(venice.rsm, which = 3)
## End(Not run)
## or
## Not run:
plot(venice.rsm)
## End(Not run)
## menu-driven
rsm.diag.plots(venice.rsm, which = 5, las = 1)
## normal QQ-plot of r* residuals
## Not run:
rsm.diag.plots(venice.rsm, which = 7, iden = T, labels = paste(1931:1981))
## End(Not run)
## year 1932 highly influential
detach()
```

rsm.families

Generate a RSM Family Object

## **Description**

Generates a family.rsm object containing a list of functions and expressions used by rsm.

## Usage

```
extreme()
Huber(k = 1.345)
logistic()
logWeibull()
student(df = stop("Argument \"df\" is missing, with no default"))
```

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## Arguments

k the tuning constant in Huber's least favourable distribution.

df the degrees of freedom in Student's t distribution.

## **Details**

Each of the names are associated with a member of the class of error distributions for regression-scale models. Users can construct their own families, as long as they have components compatible with those given in rsm.distributions. The demonstration file 'margdemo.R' that accompanies the package shows how to create a new generator function. When passed as an argument to rsm with the default setting, the empty parentheses () can be omitted. There is a print method for the class family.rsm.

#### Value

A family.rsm object, which is a list of functions and expressions used by rsm in the iteratively reweighted least-squares algorithm. See family.rsm.object for details.

#### See Also

```
family.rsm.object, family.rsm, rsm, Huber
```

## **Examples**

```
student(df = 3) ## generates Student's t error distribution with 3 d.f.
## Not run:
rsm(formula = value, data = value, family = extreme)
## End(Not run)
```

rsm.fit

Fit a Regression-Scale Model Without Computing the Model Matrix

## **Description**

Fits a rsm model without computing the model matrix of the response vector.

## Usage

```
\operatorname{rsm.fit}(X,\ Y,\ \operatorname{offset},\ \operatorname{family},\ \operatorname{dispersion},\ \operatorname{score.dispersion},\ \operatorname{maxit},\ \operatorname{epsilon},\ \operatorname{trace},\ \ldots)
```

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#### **Arguments**

X the model matrix (design matrix).

Y the response vector.

dispersion if NULL, the MLE of the scale parameter is returned, otherwise the scale parame-

ter is fixed to the numerical value passed through the argument. If Huber's least favourable distribution is used and dispersion is TRUE, the MAD is computed

and the scale parameter fixed to this value in subsequent calculations.

score.dispersion

must default to NULL.

offset optional offset added to the linear predictor.

family a family.rsm object, i.e. a list of functions and expressions characterizing

the error distribution. Families supported are gaussian, student (Student's t), extreme (Gumbel or extreme value), logistic, logWeibull, logExponential, logRayleigh and Huber (Huber's least favourable). Users can construct their own families, as long as they have components compatible with those given in rsm.distributions. The demonstration file 'margdemo.R' that ships with the

package shows how to create a new generator function.

maxit maximum number of iterations allowed.

epsilon convergence threshold.

trace if TRUE, iterations details are printed during execution.
... not used, but do absorb any redundant argument.

#### **Details**

The rsm. fit function is called internally by the rsm routine to do the actual model fitting. Although it is not intended to be used directly by the user, it may be useful when the same data frame is used over and over again. It might save computational time, since the model matrix is not created. No formula needs to be specified as an argument. As no weights argument is available, the response Y and the model matrix X must already include the weights if weighting is desired.

#### Value

an object which is a subset of a rsm object.

### Note

The rsm.fit function is the workhorse of the rsm fitting routine for the student (with df  $\leq$  2), Huber and user-defined error distributions. It receives X and Y data rather than a formula, but still uses the family.rsm object to define the IRLS steps. Users can write their own versions of rsm.fit, and pass the name of their function via the method argument to rsm. Care should be taken to include as many of the arguments as feasible, but definitely the ... argument, which will absorb any additional argument given in the call from rsm.

## See Also

```
rsm, rsm.surv, rsm.null, rsm.object, rsm.families
```

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rsm.null	Fit an Empty Regression-Scale Model	

## **Description**

Fits a rsm model with empty model matrix.

## Usage

### **Arguments**

X defaults to NULL.
Y the response vector.

dispersion either NULL or TRUE. If NULL, the MLE of the scale parameter is returned. If Hu-

ber's least favourable distribution is used and dispersion is TRUE, the MAD is computed and the scale parameter fixed to this value in subsequent calculations.

score.dispersion

must default to NULL.

offset optional offset added to the linear predictor.

family a family.rsm object, i.e. a list of functions and expressions characterizing

the error distribution. Families supported are gaussian, student (Student's t), extreme (Gumbel or extreme value), logistic, logWeibull, logExponential, logRayleigh and Huber (Huber's least favourable). Users can construct their own families, as long as they have components compatible with those given in rsm.distributions. The demonstration file 'margdemo.R' that ships with the

package shows how to create a new generator function.

maxit maximum number of iterations allowed.

epsilon convergence threshold.

trace if TRUE, iterations details are printed during execution.

... not used, but do absorb any redundant argument.

# **Details**

The rsm.null function is called internally by the rsm routine to do the actual model fitting in case of an empty model. It is not intended to be used directly by the user. As no weights argument is available, the response Y and the model matrix X must already include the weights if weighting is desired.

## Value

an object which is a subset of a rsm object.

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#### See Also

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rsm.object	Regression-Scale Model Object

## **Description**

Class of objects returned when fitting a regression-scale model.

## **Arguments**

The following components must be included in a rsm object:

the coefficients of the linear predictor, which multiply the columns of the model matrix. The names of the coefficients are the names of the single-degree-of-freedom effects (the columns of the model matrix). If the model is over-determined there will be missing values in the coefficients corresponding to inestimable co-

efficients.

doep€isients the (estimated or known) value of the scale parameter. fixed a logical value. If TRUE, the scale parameter is fixed.

residuals the response residuals from the fit. If weights were used, they are not taken into

account. If you need other kinds of residuals, use the residuals.rsm function.

fitted.values the fitted values from the fit. If weights were used, the fitted values are not

adjusted for the weights.

loglik the log likelihood from the fit.

q1 the value of the first derivative of minus the log density for each observation. q2 the value of the second derivative of minus the log density for each observation.

rank the computed rank (number of linearly independent columns in the model ma-

trix).

the unscaled observed information matrix.

score.dispersion

a list containing the value of the objective function, its gradient and the conver-

gence diagnostic, that result from estimating the scale parameter.

iter the number of IRLS iterations used to compute the estimates.

weights the (optional) weights used for the fit.

assign the list of assignments of coefficients (and effects) to the terms in the model.

The names of this list are the names of the terms. The *i*th element of the list is the vector saying which coefficients correspond to the *i*th term. It may be of

length 0 if there were no estimable effects for the term.

df.residuals the number of degrees of freedom for residuals.

family the entire family.rsm object used.

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a logical value. If TRUE, the error distribution is user-defined. user.def a character string representing the name of the error distribution. dist formula the model formula. the data frame in which to interpret the variables occurring in the model formula, data or in the subset and the weights arguments to rsm. terms an object of mode expression and class term summarizing the formula. contrasts a list containing sufficient information to construct the contrasts used to fit any factors occurring in the model. The list contains entries that are either matrices or character vectors. When a factor is coded by contrasts, the corresponding contrast matrix is stored in this list. Factors that appear only as dummy variables and variables in the model that are matrices correspond to character vectors in the list. The character vector has the level names for a factor or the column labels for a matrix. control a list of iteration and algorithmic constants used in rsm to fit the model. call an image of the call that produced the object, but with the arguments all named and with the actual formula included as the formula argument. optionally the response, if y = TRUE in the original rsm call. У optionally the model matrix, if x = TRUE in the original rsm call.

#### Generation

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This class of objects is returned by the rsm function to represent a fitted regression-scale model. Class rsm inherits from classes glm and lm, since it is fitted by iteratively reweighted least squares. The object returned has all the components of a weighted least squares object.

optionally the model frame, if model = TRUE in the original rsm call.

### Methods

Objects of this class have methods for the functions print, summary, anova and fitted among others.

## Note

The residuals, fitted values and coefficients should be extracted by the generic functions of the same name, rather than by the \$ operator.

#### See Also

rsm, glm, lm.

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Fit a Regression-Scale Model Without Computing the Model Matrix

## **Description**

Fits a rsm model without computing the model matrix of the response vector.

## Usage

## **Arguments**

X the model matrix (design matrix).

Y the response vector.

offset optional offset added to the linear predictor.

family a family.rsm object, i.e. a list of functions and expressions characterizing the

error distribution. Families supported are extreme (Gumbel or extreme value), logWeibull, logExponential, logRayleigh, logistic and student (Stu-

dent's t) with df > 2.

dispersion if NULL, the MLE of the scale parameter is returned, otherwise the scale parame-

ter is fixed to the numerical value passed through the argument.

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must default to NULL.

maxit maximum number of iterations.

epsilon convergence threshold.

trace if TRUE, iterations details are printed during execution.

... not used, but do absorb any redundant argument.

#### **Details**

The rsm. surv function is called internally by the rsm routine to do the actual model fitting. Although it is not intended to be used directly by the user, it may be useful when the same data frame is used over and over again. It might save computational time, since the model matrix is not created. No formula needs to be specified as an argument. As no weights argument is available, the response Y and the model matrix X must already include the weights if weighting is desired.

## Value

an object, which is a subset of a rsm object.

## Note

The rsm.surv function is the default option for rsm for the extreme, logistic, logWeibull, logExponential, logRayleigh and student (with df larger than 2) error distributions. It makes use of the survreg.fit routine to estimate parametric survival models. It receives X and Y data rather than a formula, but still uses the family.rsm object to define the IRLS steps. The rsm.surv routine cannot be used for Huber-type and user-defined error distributions.

#### See Also

```
rsm, rsm.fit, rsm.null, rsm.object, rsm.families
```

```
summary.all.nlreg.profiles
```

Summary Method for Objects of Class 'all.nlreg.profiles'

## **Description**

Returns a summary list for objects of class all.nlreg.profiles.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'all.nlreg.profiles'
summary(object, alpha = 0.05, twoside = TRUE, digits = NULL, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

object	an all.nlreg.profiles object, that is, the result from a call to profile.nlreg with offset = "all".
alpha	a vector of levels for confidence intervals; the default is 95%, that is, $1-\alpha=0.95$ .
twoside	a logical value. If TRUE, two-sided confidence intervals are returned. The default is TRUE.
digits	the number of significant digits to be printed.
	absorbs any additional argument.

## **Details**

This function is a method for the generic function summary for objects of class all.nlreg.profiles. It can be invoked by calling summary or directly summary.all.nlreg.profiles for an object of the appropriate class.

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#### Value

A list is returned where the first components are named after the parameters of the nonlinear model that was profiled. Each component represents a matrix with  $k \dim(\text{alpha})$  rows and 2 columns, where k equals 2 or 4 depending on whether hoa = TRUE in the call that generated the nlreg.profile object. This matrix contains the upper and lower confidence bounds for the test statistics considered and for the confidence levels defined through alpha. The remaining components are the following:

mle a  $2 \times d$  matrix containing the MLEs and S.E.s of the d parameters.

offset a vector of character strings returning the parameter names.

twoside a logical value indicating whether two-sided or one-sided confidence intervals were calculated.

hoa a logical value indicating whether higher order solutions were calculated.

digits the number of significant digits to be printed.

call an image of the call that produced the object, but with all arguments named.

### See Also

```
nlreg.profile.objects, profile.nlreg, summary
```

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
data(metsulfuron)
metsulfuron.nl <-
    nlreg( formula = log(area) ~ log( b1+(b2-b1) / (1+(dose/b4)^b3) ),
        weights = ~ ( 1+dose^exp(g) )^2, data = metsulfuron,
            start = c(b1 = 138, b2 = 2470, b3 = 2, b4 = 0.07, g = log(0.3)),
            hoa = TRUE )
##
metsulfuron.prof <- profile( metsulfuron.nl, trace = TRUE )
summary( metsulfuron.prof, alpha = c(0.1, 0.05) )
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

summary.cond

Summary Method for Objects of Class "cond"

#### **Description**

Returns a summary list for objects of class cond.

## Usage

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# Arguments

object	a cond object. This is assumed to be the result returned by the cond.glm function.
alpha	vector of levels for confidence intervals. The default is 5%.
test	vector of values of the parameter of interest one wants to test for. If NULL, no test is performed. The default is NULL.
all	logical value; if TRUE, all the information stored in the summary. cond object is printed, else only a subset of it. The default is FALSE.
coef	logical value; if TRUE, the unconditional and conditional parameter estimates are printed. The default is TRUE.
int	logical value; if TRUE confidence intervals are printed. The default is TRUE.
digits	number of significant digits to be printed. The default depends on the value of digits set by options.
	absorbs any additional argument.

# **Details**

This function is a method for the generic function summary() for objects of class cond. It can be invoked by calling summary or directly summary. cond for an object of the appropriate class.

## Value

A list is returned with the following components.

coefficients	a $2\times 2$ matrix containing the unconditional and approximate conditional MLEs and their standard errors.
conf.int	a matrix containing, for each level given in alpha, the upper and lower confidence bounds derived from several first- and higher order test statistics. One-sided and two-sided confidence intervals are considered. See cond.object for details on the test statistics.
signif.tests	a list with two elements. The first (stats) contains, for each value given in test, the values and tail probabilities of several first- and higher order test statistics. See cond.object for details on the test statistics. The second element of the list (qTerm) contains for each tested hypothesis the correction term used in the higher order solutions.
call	the function call that created the cond object.
formula	the model formula.
family	the variance function.
offset	the covariate occurring in the model formula whose coefficient represents the parameter of interest.
alpha	vector of levels used to compute the confidence intervals.
hypotheses	values for the parameter of interest that have been tested for.
diagnostics	information and nuisance parameters aspects; see cond.object for details.

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n.approx	number of output points that have been calculated exactly.
all	logical value; if TRUE, all the information stored in the summary $.  \mbox{cond object}$ is printed.
cf	logical value; if TRUE, the unconditional and conditional parameter estimates are printed.
int	logical value; if TRUE, confidence intervals are printed.
is.scalar	a logical value indicating whether there are any nuisance parameters. If FALSE there are none.
digits	number of significant digits to be printed.

## Note

The amount of information calculated may vary depending on whether there are any nuisance parameters.

## See Also

```
summary, cond.object
```

# **Examples**

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Likelihood-Based Confidence Intervals Based on fr Object

## Description

Prints confidence limits based on the Wald statistic, the likelihood root, and the modified likelihood root, for a default two-sided 0.95 confidence interval. It also prints the point estimate based on these 3 statistics. Summary fr is a compatibility wrapper for lik.ci, to which it is identical.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'fr'
summary(object, conf = c(0.975, 0.025), ...)
lik.ci(object, conf = c(0.975, 0.025), ...)
```

## Arguments

object A fr object

conf Confidence levels for which limits are required

. . . Absorbs any additional parameter.

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## Value

List containing the following quantities:

mle MLE and its asymptotic standard error

mle.hoa Modified MLE and its asymptotic standard error
pointEst.z Point estimate for psi based on Wald pivot z
pointEst.r Point estimate for psi based on likelihood root r

pointEst.rstar Point estimate for psi based on modified likelihood root rstar

z.lims Confidence limits based on Wald pivot zr.lims Confidence limits based on likelihood root r

rstar.lims Confidence limits based on modified likelihood root rstar

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#### References

Brazzale, A. R., Davison, A. C. and Reid, N. (2007). *Applied Asymptotics: Case Studies in Small-Sample Statistics*. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.

```
See also http://statwww.epfl.ch/AA.
```

### See Also

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#### **Examples**

```
## See the examples to \link{tem}.
```

summary.marg

Summary Method for Objects of Class "marg"

## **Description**

Returns a summary list for objects of class marg.

## Usage

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# Arguments

object	a marg object. This is assumed to be the result returned by the cond.rsm function.
alpha	a vector of levels for confidence intervals; the default is 5%.
test	a vector of values of the parameter of interest one wants to test for. If NULL no test is performed. The default is NULL.
all	logical value; if TRUE all the information stored in the summary.marg object is printed, else only a subset of it. The default is FALSE.
coef	logical value; if TRUE the unconditional and approximate conditional/marginal MLEs are printed. The default is TRUE.
int	logical value; if TRUE confidence intervals are printed. The default is TRUE.
digits	the number of significant digits to be printed. The default depends on the value of digits set by options
	absorbs any additional argument.

# **Details**

This function is a method for the generic function summary() for objects of class marg. It can be invoked by calling summary or directly summary.marg for an object of the appropriate class.

## Value

A list is returned with the following components:

coefficients	a $2\times 2$ matrix containing the unconditional and approximate conditional/marginal MLEs and their standard errors.
conf.int	a matrix containing, for each level given in alpha, the upper and lower confidence bounds derived from several first and higher order test statistics. One-sided and two-sided confidence intervals are considered. See marg.object for details on the test statistics used.
signif.tests	a list with two elements. The first (stats) contains, for each value given in test, the values and tail probabilities of several first and higher order test statistics. See marg.object for details on the test statistics. The second element of the list (qTerm) contains for each tested hypothesis the correction term used in the higher order solutions.
call	the function call that created the marg object.
formula	the model formula.
family	the name of the error distribution.
offset	the covariate occurring in the model formula whose coefficient represents the parameter of interest or scale if the parameter of interest is the scale parameter.
alpha	the vector of levels used to compute the confidence intervals.
hypotheses	the values for the parameter of interest that have been tested for.
diagnostics	the information and nuisance parameters aspects; see marg.object for details.

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n.approx the number of output points that have been calculated exactly.	
all logical value; if TRUE, all the information stored in the summary.man printed.	rg object is
cf logical value; if TRUE, the parameter estimates are printed.	
int logical value; if TRUE, confidence intervals are printed.	
is.scalar a logical value indicating whether there are any nuisance parameter there are none.	rs. If FALSE
digits the number of significant digits to be printed.	

## Note

If the parameter of interest is the scale parameter, all calculations are performed on the log scale, though most results are reported on the original scale.

The amount of information calculated may vary depending on whether there are any nuisance parameters. A message is printed if there are none.

## See Also

```
summary, marg.object
```

# **Examples**

```
## House Price Data
data(houses)
houses.rsm <- rsm(price ~ ., family = student(5), data = houses)
houses.marg <- cond(houses.rsm, floor)
summary(houses.marg, test = 0, coef = FALSE)</pre>
```

summary.mpl

Summary Method for 'mpl' Objects

## **Description**

Returns a summary list for objects of class mpl.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mpl'
summary(object, correlation = FALSE, digits = NULL, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

object	a fitted mpl object, that is, the result of a call to mpl.nlreg.
correlation	logical argument. If TRUE, the (asymptotic) correlation matrix for the parameter estimates is computed; default is FALSE.
digits	the number of significant digits to be printed. Defaults to NULL.
	absorbs any additional argument.

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#### **Details**

This function is a method for the generic function summary for class mpl. It can be invoked by calling summary for an object of the appropriate class, or directly by calling summary.mpl regardless of the class of the object.

#### Value

A list is returned with the following components:

varPar the maximum adjusted profile likelihood estimates of the variance parameters.

coefficients the constrained MLEs of the regression coefficients given the maximum adjusted

profile likelihood estimates of the variance parameters.

offset the values passed through the offset argument in the call to mpl.nlreg that

generated the mpl object and to which the variance parameters were fixed.

varParMLE the MLEs of the variance parameters.
coefMLE the MLEs of the regression coefficients.

varParCov the (asymptotic) covariance matrix of the variance parameters, that is, the corre-

sponding block in the inverse of the observed information matrix.

coefCov the (asymptotic) covariance matrix of the regression coefficients, that is, the

corresponding block in the inverse of the observed information matrix.

1mp the adjusted profile log likelihood from the fit.

1p the profile log likelihood from the fit.

stats the indicator of which higher order solution was used.

formula the model formula.

meanFun the formula expression of the mean function.

varFun the formula expression of the variance function.

data a list representing a summary of the original data with the following compo-

nents.

'offset name' the predictor variable with no duplicated value.

repl the number of replicates available for each value of the predictor.

dupl a vector of the same length than the predictor variable indicating the position of each data point in the *offset name* component.

t1 the sum of the reponses for each design point in the offset name component.

t2 the sum of the squared responses for each design point in the *offset name* component.

nobs the number of observations.

iter the number of interations needed for convergence; only if offset was not NULL

in the call to mpl.nlreg which generated object.

call an image of the call to mpl.nlreg, but with all the arguments explicitly named.

the workspace component of the original nlreg object plus the following com-

ponents:

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corr a logical value indicating whether the correlation matrix should be printed.

digits the number of significant digits to be printed.

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## See Also

```
mpl.object, nlreg.object, summary
```

# **Examples**

```
data(metsulfuron)
metsulfuron.nl <-
    nlreg( formula = log(area) ~ log( b1+(b2-b1) / (1+(dose/b4)^b3) ),
        weights = ~ ( 1+dose^exp(g) )^2, data = metsulfuron, hoa = TRUE,
        start = c(b1 = 138, b2 = 2470, b3 = 2, b4 = 0.07, g = log(0.3)) )
##
metsulfuron.mpl <- mpl( metsulfuron.nl, trace = TRUE )
summary( metsulfuron.mpl, corr = FALSE )</pre>
```

summary.nlreg

Summary Method for Nonlinear Heteroscedastic Models

## **Description**

Returns a summary list for a fitted nonlinear heteroscedastic model.

## Usage

# Arguments

object	a fitted nlreg object. This is assumed to be the result of some fit that produces an object inheriting from the class nlreg, in the sense that the components returned by the nlreg function will be available.
observed	logical argument. If TRUE, the observed information is used to calculate the covariance matrix, the expected information otherwise. The default is TRUE.
correlation	logical argument. If TRUE, the correlation matrix for the parameter estimates is computed; default is TRUE.
digits	the number of significant digits to be printed.
	absorbs any additional argument.

#### **Details**

This function is a method for the generic function summary for class nlreg. It can be invoked by calling summary for an object of the appropriate class, or directly by calling summary.nlreg regardless of the class of the object.

#### Value

A list is returned with the following components:

a matrix with four columns, containing the MLEs of the regression coefficients, coefficients their standard errors, the z-value (or Wald statistic) and the associated p-value based on the standard normal approximation to the distribution of the z statistic. varPar a matrix with two columns, containing the MLEs of the variance parameters and their standard errors. offset a numerical vector with a single named element indicating the parameter of interest and the value to which it was fixed while fitting the nonlinear model. residuals the response residuals from the fit. covariance the (asymptotic) covariance matrix for the parameter estimates. correlation the (asymptotic) correlation matrix for the parameter estimates. logLik the log likelihood from the fit. call an image of the call that produced the nlreg object, but with the arguments all named. digits then number of significant digits to be printed. the ws component of the nlreg object. WS

#### See Also

```
nlreg.object, summary
```

## **Examples**

```
data(metsulfuron)
metsulfuron.nl <-
    nlreg( formula = log(area) ~ log( b1+(b2-b1) / (1+(dose/b4)^b3) ),
        weights = ~ ( 1+dose^exp(g) )^2, data = metsulfuron,
        start = c(b1 = 138, b2 = 2470, b3 = 2, b4 = 0.07, g = log(0.3)),
        hoa = TRUE )
##
summary( metsulfuron.nl, digits = 3 )
##
print( summary( metsulfuron.nl )$cov, digits = 3 )
print( summary( metsulfuron.nl, observed = FALSE )$cov, digits = 3 )</pre>
```

summary.nlreg.profile Summary Method for Objects of Class 'nlreg.profile'

## **Description**

Returns a summary list for objects of class nlreg.profile.

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#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'nlreg.profile'
summary(object, alpha = 0.05, twoside = TRUE, digits = NULL, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

object a nlreg.profile object, that is, the result of a call to profile.nlreg. alpha a vector of levels for confidence intervals; the default is  $1-\alpha=0.95$ .

twoside a logical value. If TRUE, two-sided confidence intervals are returned. The default

is TRUE.

digits the number of significant digits to be printed.

... absorbs any additional argument.

#### **Details**

This function is a method for the generic function summary for objects of class nlreg.profile. It can be invoked by calling summary or directly summary.nlreg.profile for an object of the appropriate class.

#### Value

A list is returned with the following components:

CI a matrix with  $k \dim(alpha)$  rows and 2 columns, where k equals 2 or 4 de-

pending on whether hoa = TRUE in the call that generated object. This matrix contains the upper and lower confidence bounds for the considered test statistics

and for the confidence levels specified through alpha.

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the information and nuisance parameters aspects, that is, the two terms into which the higher order adjustment leading to the  $r^*$  statistic can be decomposed. The two versions refer to respectively *Skovgaard's* (1996) proposal and *Fraser*, *Reid and Wu's* (1999) solution. Only if hoa = TRUE in the function call that

generated the nlreg.profile object argument object.

mle a numerical vector giving the MLE of the parameter of interest and its standard

error.

offset character string giving the name of the interest parameter.

twoside a logical value indicating whether two-sided or one-sided confidence intervals

were calculated.

points the number of output points at which the considered statistics were calculated

exactly.

n the approximate number of points used in the spline interpolation of the consid-

ered statistics.

hoa a logical value indicating whether higher order solutions were calculated.

digits the number of significant digits to be printed.

call an image of the call that produced the object, but with all arguments named.

... absorbs additional arguments.

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#### References

Fraser, D.A.S., Reid, N. and Wu, J. (1999). A simple general formula for tail probabilities for frequentist and Bayesian inference. *Biometrika*, **86**, 249–264.

Skovgaard, I. (1996) An explicit large-deviation approximation to one-parameter tests. *Bernoulli*, **2**, 145–165.

#### See Also

```
nlreg.profile.object, profile.nlreg, summary
```

# **Examples**

```
data(metsulfuron)
metsulfuron.nl <-
    nlreg( formula = log(area) ~ log( b1+(b2-b1) / (1+(dose/b4)^b3) ),
        weights = ~ ( 1+dose^exp(g) )^2, data = metsulfuron,
        start = c(b1 = 138, b2 = 2470, b3 = 2, b4 = 0.07, g = log(0.3)),
        hoa = TRUE )
##
metsulfuron.prof <- profile( metsulfuron.nl, offset = g, trace = TRUE )
summary( metsulfuron.prof, alpha = c(0.9, 0.95) )</pre>
```

summary.rsm

Summary Method for Regression-Scale Models

## **Description**

Returns a summary list for a fitted regression-scale model.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'rsm'
summary(object, correlation = FALSE, digits = NULL, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

object	a fitted rsm object. This is assumed to be the result of some fit that produces an object inheriting from the class rsm, in the sense that the components returned by the rsm function will be available.
correlation	logical argument. If TRUE, the correlation matrix for the coefficients is computed; default is TRUE.
digits	a non-null value specifies the minimum number of significant digits to be printed in values. If NULL, the value of digits set by options is used.
	absorbs any additional argument.

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#### **Details**

This function is a method for the generic function summary() for class rsm. It can be invoked by calling summary for an object of the appropriate class, or directly by calling summary.rsm regardless of the class of the object.

#### Value

A list is returned with the following components:

coefficients a matrix with four columns, containing the coefficients, their standard errors, the

z-values (or Wald statistics) and the associated p-values based on the standard

normal approximation to the distribution of the z statistic.

dispersion the value of the scale parameter used in the computations.

fixed a logical value. If TRUE, the scale parameter is known.

residuals the response residuals.

cov.unscaled the unscaled covariance matrix, i.e, a matrix such that multiplying it by the

squared scale parameter, or an estimate thereof, produces an estimated (asymp-

totic) covariance matrix for the coefficients.

correlation the computed correlation matrix for the coefficients in the model.

family the entire family.rsm object used.

loglik the computed log likelihood.

terms an object of mode expression and class term summarizing the formula.

df the number of degrees of freedom for the model and for the residuals.

iter the number of IRLS iterations used to compute the estimates.

nas a logical vector indicating which, if any, coefficients are missing.

call an image of the call that produced the rsm object, but with the arguments all

named and with the actual formula.

digits the value of the digits argument.

#### See Also

```
rsm.object, summary, rsm
```

#### **Examples**

```
## House Price Data
data(houses)
houses.rsm <- rsm(price ~ ., family = student(5), data = houses)
summary(houses.rsm)</pre>
```

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tem	Tangent exponential	model: Higher Order	Likelihood Approximation

## Description

This function computes the tangent exponential model approximation for higher order likelihood inference about a scalar interest parameter of a parametric model. The function creates an object of class fr.

# Usage

## **Arguments**

psi	A scalar value for the interest parameter. If NULL (the default) the vector is taken as a grid of values centred on the maximum likelihood estimate (MLE).
nlogL	A function to compute the negative log likelihood for the model of interest. It is a function of three quantities: psi is the scalar interest parameter, lam is the scalar or vector nuisance parameter, and data is the data. See below for an example.
phi	A function to compute the canonical parameter of a local exponential family approximation to the density of interest. It requires values of the parameter theta = (psi,lam), the quantities V, and the data data. The output is a vector of the same length as theta.
make.V	A function to compute V, using as input the parameter theta = (psi,lam) and the data data. The output is a matrix whose rows correspond to individual observations, and whose columns correspond to the elements of theta.
th.init	Initial value(s) of the parameter theta.
data	Data frame or other object containing the data.
tol	Tolerance used for numerical differentiation of phi.
n.psi	Number of values of psi at which the likelihood is computed, if psi is NULL. Avoid odd values, which may give numerical instabilities near the MLE.

## **Details**

The function computes quantities used for higher order likelihood approximations, which are intended to provide highly accurate inferences on scalar parameters in parametric statistical models. The key aspect is maximisation of the likelihood over a grid of values of the interest parameter psi, and computation of likelihood modifications based on local exponential family approximation to the density. If n is the sample size, then the resulting inferences should be accurate to order  $n^{-3/2}$  in continuous models and to order  $n^{-1}$  in discrete models, and in many cases they are very close to exact results. The approximations rely on numerical computation of observed information matrices and of derivatives, and may fail in certain cases. The confidence intervals themselves and useful

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plots are produced using the functions summary and plot. For technical background and further details, see Sections 2.4 and 8.4.2 of the book cited below, which has many further references.

#### Value

normal	The MLE of the interest parameter, and its standard error
th.hat	MLEs of parameters (psi,lam)
th.hat.se	Standard errors of MLEs, based on observed information
th.rest	Restricted MLEs (psi,lam) on grid of values of psi
r	Values of likelihood root corresponding to psi
psi	Values of interest parameter psi
q	Values of likelihood modification
rstar	Values of modified likelihood root

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#### References

Brazzale, A. R., Davison, A. C. and Reid, N. (2007). *Applied Asymptotics: Case Studies in Small-Sample Statistics*. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.

```
See also http://statwww.epfl.ch/AA.
```

## See Also

```
plot.fr, summary.fr, lik.ci
```

# **Examples**

```
# Cost data example from Section 3.5 of "Applied Asymptotics"
cost <- data.frame(</pre>
          f = factor(c(rep(1,13), rep(2,18))),
          y = c(30,172,210,212,335,489,651,1263,1294,1875,2213,2998,
                  4935,121,172,201,214,228,261,278,279,351,561,622,
                  694,848,853,1086,1110,1243,2543 ) )
nlogL <- function(psi, lam, data) {</pre>
  s1 \leftarrow exp(lam[2])
  m2 <- lam[1]
  s2 <- exp(lam[3])
  m1 \leftarrow psi + m2 + s2^2/2 - s1^2/2
  -sum( dnorm(log(data$y), mean=ifelse(data$f==1, m1, m2),
                    sd=ifelse(data$f==1, s1, s2), log=TRUE) )
phi <- function(th, V, data) {</pre>
  psi <- th[1]</pre>
  lam <- th[-1]
  s1 \leftarrow exp(lam[2])
  m2 <- lam[1]
```

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update.rsm

Update and Re-fit a RSM Model Call

# Description

update.rsm is used to update a rsm model formulae. This typically involves adding or dropping terms, but updates can be more general.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'rsm'
update(object, formula., ..., evaluate = TRUE)
```

# **Arguments**

object a model of class rsm to be updated.

formula. changes to the formula – see update. formula for details.

... additional arguments to the call, or arguments with changed values. Use name = NULL

to remove the argument name.

evaluate if TRUE evaluate the new call else return the call.

# Value

If evaluate = TRUE the fitted object, otherwise the updated call.

# Note

Based upon update.default.

## See Also

```
update, update.default, update.formula
```

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#### **Examples**

urine

Urine Data

# Description

The urine data frame has 77 rows and 7 columns.

79 urine specimens were analyzed in an effort to determine if certain physical characteristics of the urine might be related to the formation of calcium oxalate crystals.

#### Usage

```
data(urine)
```

#### **Format**

This data frame contains the following columns:

r indicator of the presence of calcium oxalate crystals;

gravity the specific gravity of the urine, i.e. the density of urine relative to water;

ph the pH reading of the urine;

osmo the osmolarity of the urine. Osmolarity is proportional to the concentration of molecules in solution (mOsm).

conduct The conductivity of the urine. Conductivity is proportional to the concentration of charged ions in solution (mMho milliMho).

urea the urea concentration in millimoles per litre;

calc the calcium concentration in millimoles per litre.

## Source

The data were obtained from

Andrews, D. F. and Herzberg, A. M. (1985) *Data: A Collection of Problems from Many Fields for the Student and Research Worker*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

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#### References

Davison, A. C. and Hinkley, D. V. (1997). *Bootstrap Methods and Their Application* (Example 7.8). Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

# **Examples**

```
data(urine)
summary(urine)
pairs(urine)
##
data(urine)
urine.glm <- glm(r ~ gravity + ph + osmo + conduct + urea + log(calc),</pre>
                  family = binomial, data = urine)
labels(coef(urine.glm))
urine.cond <- cond(urine.glm, log(calc))</pre>
##
## (large estimate of regression coefficient)
urine.glm <- glm(r ~ gravity + ph + osmo + conduct + urea + calc,
                  family = binomial, data = urine)
coef(urine.glm)
urine.glm <- glm(r ~ I(gravity * 100) + ph + osmo + conduct + urea + calc,</pre>
                  family = binomial, data = urine)
coef(urine.glm)
urine.cond <- cond(urine.glm, I(gravity * 100))</pre>
```

var2cor

Convert Covariance Matrix to Correlation Matrix — Generic Function

#### **Description**

This function converts the covariance matrix from a fitted model into the correlation matrix.

# Usage

```
var2cor(object, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

object any fitted model object from which a covariance matrix may be extracted.
... absorbs any additional argument.

# **Details**

This function is generic (see methods); method functions can be written to handle specific classes of data. Classes which already have methods for this function include: nlreg, summary.nlreg, mpl and summary.mpl.

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#### Value

the correlation matrix of the estimates from a fitted model.

#### See Also

```
var2cor.nlreg, var2cor.mpl, methods
```

# **Examples**

```
data(metsulfuron)
metsulfuron.nl <-
    nlreg( log(area) ~ log( b1+(b2-b1) / (1+(dose/b4)^b3) ),
        weights = ~( 1+dose^exp(g) )^2, data = metsulfuron,
        start = c(b1 = 138, b2 = 2470, b3 = 2, b4 = 0.07, g = log(0.3)),
        hoa = TRUE )
var2cor( metsulfuron.nl )
##
metsulfuron.sum <- summary( metsulfuron.nl, corr = FALSE )
var2cor( metsulfuron.sum )</pre>
```

vcov.rsm

Calculate Variance-Covariance Matrix for a Fitted RSM Model

# **Description**

Returns the variance-covariance matrix of the parameters of a fitted rsm model object.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'rsm'
vcov(object, correlation = FALSE, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

object a fitted model object of class rsm.

correlation if TRUE the correlation matrix is returned instead of the variance-covariance ma-

trix.

... absobs any additional argument.

#### **Details**

This is a method for function vcov for objects of class rsm.

#### Value

A matrix of the estimated covariances between the parameter estimates of a fitted regression-scale model, or, if dispersion = TRUE the correlation matrix.

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#### See Also

```
vcov, rsm.object, rsm, summary.rsm
```

## **Examples**

venice

Sea Level Data

# Description

The venice data frame has 51 rows and 2 columns.

*Pirazzoli* (1982) collected the ten largest values of sea levels in Venice (with a few exceptions) for the years 1887–1981. The venice data frame contains the maxima for the years 1931–1981.

## Usage

```
data(venice)
```

#### **Format**

This data frame contains the following columns:

```
year the years;
sea the sea levels (in cm).
```

## Source

The data were obtained from

Smith, R. L. (1986) Extreme value theory based on the r-largest annual events. *Journal of Hydrology*, **86**, 27–43.

## References

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