

Package ‘prome’

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Title Patient-Reported Outcome Data Analysis with Stan

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Description Estimation for blinding bias in randomized controlled trials with a latent continuous outcome, a binary response depending on treatment and the latent outcome, and a noisy surrogate subject to possibly response-dependent measurement error. Implements EM estimators in R backed by compiled C routines for models with and without the restriction $\delta_0 = 0$, and Bayesian Stan wrappers for the same two models. Functions were added for latent outcome models with differential measurement error.

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blindingMLE	<i>Unblinding bias correction</i>
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Description

Unblinding bias correction

Usage

```
blindingMLE(
  W,
  T,
  G,
  Bayes = FALSE,
  ActiveOnly = TRUE,
  max_iter = 200,
  tol = 1e-06,
  grid_size = 81,
  grid_sd = 6,
  verbose = FALSE,
  compute_se = TRUE,
  hess_step = 1e-04,
  init = NULL,
  chains = 4,
  cores = chains,
  iter_warmup = 1000,
  iter_sampling = 1000,
  seed = 123,
  control = list(adapt_delta = 0.95, max_treedepth = 12),
  refresh = 0
)
```

Arguments

W	Numeric surrogate outcome.
T	Binary treatment indicator.
G	Binary response indicator.
Bayes	choose from Bayesian (stan models) or EM approaches.
ActiveOnly	pose restriction $\delta_0 = 0$.
max_iter	Maximum EM iterations.
tol	Convergence tolerance.

grid_size	Number of E-step grid points.
grid_sd	Grid half-width in posterior SD units.
verbose	Print iteration trace.
compute_se	Compute approximate SEs from a numerical observed Hessian.
hess_step	Finite-difference step for Hessian approximation.
init	Optional named list of initial values.
chains	Number of chains.
cores	Number of CPU cores for parallel sampling. Defaults to 'chains'.
iter_warmup	Warmup iterations.
iter_sampling	Sampling iterations.
seed	RNG seed.
control	Optional named list of 'rstan' control arguments such as 'list(adapt_delta = 0.95, max_treedepth = 12)'.
refresh	Stan refresh interval.

Value

An object of class 'rctme_fit'.

Examples

```
## Not run:
if (requireNamespace("rstan", quietly = TRUE)) {
  sigma = 1.2
  sig.theta = 1.0
  beta0 = 0
  beta1 = 1
  beta2 = 2
  ntreat = nsham = 100
  Tind = c(rep(1, ntreat), rep(0, nsham)) #treatment group indicator
  u1v = rep(u1, ntreat)
  u2v = rep(u2, nsham)
  uv = c(u1v, u2v)
  tauv = uv - rep(u2, ntreat+nsham)
  r = rnorm(ntreat + nsham, mean = 0, sd = sigma)
  x = uv + r #actual endpoint outcome
  q = 1/(1 + exp(-(beta0 + beta1*Tind + beta2*(tauv+r))))
  bernGen = function(qq){rbinom(1,1,qq)}
  I = sapply(q, bernGen)
  rsham = rnorm(ntreat + nsham, mean = 0, sd = sig.theta)
  w = x + (theta + rsham)*I
  lm0 = lm(w~Tind)
  tau1 = lm0$coef[2]; tau1
  u12 = tapply(w, Tind, FUN=mean, na.rm=TRUE)
  lm1 = lm(w~Tind+I)
  tau2 = lm1$coef[2]; tau2
  mydata <- data.frame(y=w, group=Tind, guess=I)
}
```

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out5 <- blindingMLE(W = mydata$y, T = mydata$group, G = mydata$guess,
                   Bayes=FALSE, ActiveOnly=TRUE)
out5
}

## End(Not run)

```

fit_rctme_em

EM fit with free 'delta0' and 'delta1'

Description

Fits the latent-outcome model

$$\begin{aligned}
 X|T &\sim N(\mu_0 + \tau T, \sigma_X^2), \\
 G|X, T &\sim \text{Bernoulli}(\text{logit}^{-1}(\alpha_0 + \alpha_T T + \alpha_X(X - \mu_0))), \\
 W|X, G = g &\sim N(X + \delta_g, \sigma_{Wg}^2).
 \end{aligned}$$

Usage

```

fit_rctme_em(
  W,
  T,
  G,
  max_iter = 200,
  tol = 1e-06,
  grid_size = 81,
  grid_sd = 6,
  verbose = FALSE,
  compute_se = TRUE,
  hess_step = 1e-04,
  init = NULL
)

```

Arguments

W	Numeric surrogate outcome.
T	Binary treatment indicator.
G	Binary response indicator.
max_iter	Maximum EM iterations.
tol	Convergence tolerance.
grid_size	Number of E-step grid points.
grid_sd	Grid half-width in posterior SD units.
verbose	Print iteration trace.
compute_se	Compute approximate SEs from a numerical observed Hessian.
hess_step	Finite-difference step for Hessian approximation.
init	Optional named list of initial values.

Details

The E-step and observed-data log-likelihood are evaluated in compiled C code for speed.

Value

An object of class 'rctme_fit'.

```
fit_rctme_em_delta0_fixed
      EM fit with 'delta0' fixed at 0
```

Description

Same model as [fit_rctme_em()] but with the measurement-error mean shift in the 'G = 0' group fixed at zero.

Usage

```
fit_rctme_em_delta0_fixed(
  W,
  T,
  G,
  max_iter = 200,
  tol = 1e-06,
  grid_size = 81,
  grid_sd = 6,
  verbose = FALSE,
  compute_se = TRUE,
  hess_step = 1e-04,
  init = NULL
)
```

Arguments

W	Numeric surrogate outcome.
T	Binary treatment indicator.
G	Binary response indicator.
max_iter	Maximum EM iterations.
tol	Convergence tolerance.
grid_size	Number of E-step grid points.
grid_sd	Grid half-width in posterior SD units.
verbose	Print iteration trace.
compute_se	Compute approximate SEs from a numerical observed Hessian.
hess_step	Finite-difference step for Hessian approximation.
init	Optional named list of initial values.

Value

An object of class 'rctme_fit'.

fit_rctme_stan	<i>Bayesian Stan fit with free 'delta0' and 'delta1'</i>
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Description

Fits the unrestricted Bayesian latent-outcome model using 'rstan' and the Stan program bundled with the package.

Usage

```
fit_rctme_stan(
  W,
  T,
  G,
  chains = 4,
  cores = chains,
  iter_warmup = 1000,
  iter_sampling = 1000,
  seed = 123,
  control = list(adapt_delta = 0.95, max_treedepth = 12),
  refresh = 200
)
```

Arguments

W	Numeric surrogate outcome.
T	Binary treatment indicator.
G	Binary response indicator.
chains	Number of chains.
cores	Number of CPU cores for parallel sampling. Defaults to 'chains'.
iter_warmup	Warmup iterations.
iter_sampling	Sampling iterations.
seed	RNG seed.
control	Optional named list of 'rstan' control arguments such as 'list(adapt_delta = 0.95, max_treedepth = 12)'.
refresh	Stan refresh interval.

Value

A list with components 'fit', 'summary', and 'stan_file'.

`fit_rctme_stan_delta0_fixed`*Bayesian Stan fit with 'delta0' fixed at 0*

Description

Fits the restricted Bayesian latent-outcome model using 'rstan' and the Stan program bundled with the package.

Usage

```
fit_rctme_stan_delta0_fixed(  
  W,  
  T,  
  G,  
  chains = 4,  
  cores = chains,  
  iter_warmup = 1000,  
  iter_sampling = 1000,  
  seed = 123,  
  control = list(adapt_delta = 0.95, max_treedepth = 12),  
  refresh = 200  
)
```

Arguments

W	Numeric surrogate outcome.
T	Binary treatment indicator.
G	Binary response indicator.
chains	Number of chains.
cores	Number of CPU cores for parallel sampling. Defaults to 'chains'.
iter_warmup	Warmup iterations.
iter_sampling	Sampling iterations.
seed	RNG seed.
control	Optional named list of 'rstan' control arguments such as 'list(adapt_delta = 0.95, max_treedepth = 12)'.
refresh	Stan refresh interval.

Value

A list with components 'fit', 'summary', and 'stan_file'.

prome	<i>rctme: Latent-outcome models for RCTs with differential measurement error</i>
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Description

Tools for fitting latent continuous-outcome models in randomized trials with a binary response process and a surrogate measurement subject to response-dependent error. The package provides EM estimators implemented with compiled C code for fast E-steps and observed-data log-likelihood evaluation, plus Bayesian Stan wrappers for corresponding models.

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rctme_stan_file	<i>Locate a bundled Stan file</i>
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Description

Locate a bundled Stan file

Usage

```
rctme_stan_file(model = c("delta0_fixed", "delta_free"))
```

Arguments

model	One of "delta0_fixed" or "delta_free".
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Value

Path to the '.stan' file shipped with the package.

simulate_rctme_data *Simulate a small RCT measurement-error example dataset*

Description

Generates a toy dataset for examples and testing under the latent outcome model implemented in this package.

Usage

```
simulate_rctme_data(  
  n = 200,  
  mu0 = 0.5,  
  tau = 1,  
  sigmaX = 1,  
  alpha0 = -0.5,  
  alphaT = 0.4,  
  alphaX = 1,  
  delta0 = 0,  
  delta1 = -0.4,  
  sigmaW0 = 0.8,  
  sigmaW1 = 1,  
  seed = NULL  
)
```

Arguments

n	Sample size.
mu0	Mean of latent outcome in controls.
tau	Treatment effect on latent outcome.
sigmaX	SD of latent outcome noise.
alpha0, alphaT, alphaX	Logistic-response coefficients.
delta0, delta1	Mean measurement error shifts by response group.
sigmaW0, sigmaW1	Measurement-error SDs by response group.
seed	Optional RNG seed.

Value

A data frame with columns W, T, G, and latent X.

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