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Description

Computes the bias corrected maximum likelihood estimator (MLE) under progressive type-I interval censoring scheme using the Bootstrap resampling. It works by obtaining the empirical distribution of the MLE using bootstrap approach and then constructing the percentile confidence intervals (PCI) suggested by DiCiccio and Tibshirani (1987).

Usage

```
bootbctype1(plan, param, mle, cdf, lb = 0, ub = Inf, nboot = 200, coverage = 0.95)
```

Arguments

plan	Censoring plan for progressive type-I interval censoring scheme. It must be given as a <code>data.frame</code> that includes vector of upper bounds of the censoring times T , vector of number of failed subjects X , vector of removed subjects in each interval R , and percentage of the removed alive items in each interval P .
param	Vector of the of the family parameter's names.
mle	Vector of the maximum likelihood estimators.
cdf	Expression of the cumulative distribution function.
lb	Lower bound of the family support. That is zero by default.
ub	Upper bound of the family's support. That is <code>Inf</code> by default.
nboot	Number of Bootstrap resampling.
coverage	Confidence or coverage level for constructing percentile confidence intervals. That is 0.95 by default.

Value

A list of two parts including: 1- bias of MLE with respect to mean, bias of MLE with respect to median, lower bound of the percentile confidence interval (LPCI), and upper bound of the percentile confidence interval (UPCI) at the given coverage level and 2- covariance matrix of the MLE obtained using bootstrapping.

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References

T. J. DiCiccio and R. Tibshirani 1987. Bootstrap confidence intervals and bootstrap approximations. *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, 82, 163-170.

A. J. Lemonte, F. Cribari-Neto, and K. L. P. Vasconcellos 2007. Improved statistical inference for the two-parameter Birnbaum-Saunders distribution. *Computational Statistics and Data Analysis*, 51, 4656-4681.

Examples

```
data(plasma)
n <- 112
param <- c("lambda", "beta")
mle <- c(1.5, 0.05)
cdf <- quote( (1-exp( -(x*beta)))^lambda )
pdf <- quote( lambda*(1-exp( -(x*beta)))^(lambda-1)*beta*exp( -(x*beta)) )
lb <- 0
plan <- rtype1(n = n, P = plasma$P, T = plasma$upper, param = param, mle = mle,
              cdf.expression = FALSE, pdf.expression = TRUE, cdf = cdf, pdf = pdf,
              lb = lb)
ub <- Inf
nboot <- 200
coverage <- 0.95
bootbctype1(plan = plan, param = param, mle = mle, cdf = cdf, lb = lb, ub = ub, nboot = nboot,
            coverage = coverage)
```

bootbctype2

Computing the bias corrected maximum likelihood estimator under progressive type-I interval censoring scheme using the Bootstrap resampling

Description

Computes the bias corrected maximum likelihood estimator under progressive type-I interval censoring scheme using the Bootstrap resampling. It works by obtaining the empirical distribution of the MLE using bootstrap approach and then constructing the percentile confidence intervals (PCI) suggested by DiCiccio and Tibshirani (1987).

Usage

```
bootbctype2(plan, param, mle, cdf, pdf, lb = 0, ub = Inf, nboot = 200, coverage = 0.95)
```

Arguments

plan	Censoring plan for progressive type-II censoring scheme. It must be given as a <code>data.frame</code> that includes number of failed items X , and vector of removed items R .
param	Vector of the of the family parameter's names.
mle	Vector of the maximum likelihood estimators.
cdf	Expression of the cumulative distribution function.
pdf	Expression for the probability density function.
lb	Lower bound of the family support. That is zero by default.
ub	Upper bound of the family's support. That is <code>Inf</code> by default.
nboot	Number of Bootstrap resampling.
coverage	Confidence or coverage level for constructing percentile confidence intervals. That is 0.95 by default.

Details

For some families of distributions whose support is the positive semi-axis, i.e., $x > 0$, the cumulative distribution function (cdf) may not be differentiable. In this case, the lower bound of the support of random variable, i.e., `lb` that is zero by default, must be chosen some positive small value to ensure the differentiability of the cdf.

Value

A list of the outputs including a matrix that represents the variance-covariance matrix of the uncorrected MLE, a matrix that represents the variance-covariance matrix of the corrected MLE, the lower LPCI, and upper UPCI, bounds of 95% percentile confidence interval for `param`, the ML estimator, bias value, and bias-corrected estimator. Finally, the goodness-of-fit measures consists of Anderson-Darling (AD), Cramer-von Misses (CVM), and Kolmogorov-Smirnov (KS) statistics.

Author(s)

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References

- T. J. DiCiccio and R. Tibshirani 1987. Bootstrap confidence intervals and bootstrap approximations. *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, 82, 163-170.
- A. J. Lemonte, F. Cribari-Neto, and K. L. P. Vasconcellos 2007. Improved statistical inference for the two-parameter Birnbaum-Saunders distribution. *Computational Statistics and Data Analysis*, 51, 4656-4681.

Examples

```
n <- 20
R <- c(9, rep(0, 10) )
param <- c("alpha", "beta")
mle <- c(0.80, 12)
```

```

cdf <- quote( 1-exp( -(x/beta)^alpha ) )
pdf <- quote( alpha/beta*(x/beta)^(alpha-1)*exp( -(x/beta)^alpha ) )
lb <- 0
ub <- Inf
nboot <- 200
coverage <- 0.95
plan <- rtype2(n = n, R = R, param = param, mle = mle, cdf = cdf, lb = lb, ub = ub)
bootctype2(plan = plan, param = param, mle = mle, cdf = cdf, pdf = pdf, lb = lb, ub = ub,
nboot = nboot, coverage = coverage)

```

coxctype1

Computing the bias corrected maximum likelihood estimator.

Description

Computing the bias corrected maximum likelihood estimator (MLE) for the parameters of the general family of distributions under progressive type-I interval censoring scheme. Let y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n represent the lifetimes of n items that independently follow the cumulative distribution function (cdf) $F(\cdot, \theta_j)$ under a progressive type-I interval censoring scheme. We use *bctypei* to compute the bias corrected ML estimator using the method of Cox and Snell (1968). Let $[T_0 - T_1], [T_1 - T_2], \dots, [T_{m-1} - T_m]$ show a number of m censoring time intervals, $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_m)$ denotes the vector of failed items, and $\mathbf{R} = (R_1, R_2, \dots, R_m)$ represents the vector of removed alive items in each interval, from $m \geq 1$. A schematic, given by the following, displays the progressive type-I interval censoring scheme. We note that the sample size n is $n = \sum_{i=1}^m X_i + \sum_{i=1}^m R_i$. Furthermore, R_i can be determined by the pre-specified percentage of the remaining surviving items at T_i or equivalently $R_i = \lfloor P_i X_i \rfloor$, for $i = 1, \dots, m$. Here, $\lfloor z \rfloor$ denotes the largest integer less than or equal to z .

row	Time interval	\mathbf{X}	\mathbf{R}
1	$[T_0, T_1)$	X_1	R_1
2	$[T_1, T_2)$	X_2	R_2
.	.	.	.
.	.	.	.
.	.	.	.
$m - 1$	$[T_{m-2}, T_{m-1})$	X_{m-1}	R_{m-1}
m	$[T_{m-1}, T_m)$	X_m	R_m

Usage

```

coxctype1(plan, param, mle, cdf.expression = FALSE, pdf.expression = TRUE, cdf, pdf
, lb = 0)

```

Arguments

plan Censoring plan for progressive type-I interval censoring scheme. It must be given as a data.frame that includes vector of upper bounds of the censoring

	times T, vector of number of failed items X, and vector of removed items in each interval R.
param	Vector of the of the family parameter's names.
mle	A vector that contains MLE of the parameters.
cdf.expression	Logical. That is TRUE, if there is a closed form expression for the cumulative distribution function.
pdf.expression	Logical. That is TRUE, if there is a closed form expression for the probability density function.
cdf	Expression of the cumulative distribution function.
pdf	Expression of the probability density function.
lb	Lower bound of the family's support. That is zero by default.

Details

For some families of distributions whose support is the positive semi-axis, i.e., $x > 0$, the cumulative distribution function (cdf) may not be differentiable. In this case, the lower bound of the support of random variable, i.e., lb that is zero by default, must be chosen some positive small value to ensure the differentiability of the cdf.

Value

A list of the outputs including: a matrix that represents the variance-covariance matrix of the MLE, a matrix that represents the variance-covariance matrix of the bias corrected MLE, a list of three outputs including MLE, bias of MLE, and bias corrected MLE, a list of goodness-of-fit measures consists of Anderson-Darling (AD), Cramer-von Misses (CVM), and Kolmogorov-Smirnov (KS) statistics.

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References

- Z. Chen 2000. A new two-parameter lifetime distribution with bathtub shape or increasing failure rate function, *Statistics & Probability Letters*, 49 (2), 155-161.
- D. G. Chen and Y. L. Lio 2010. Parameter estimations for generalized exponential distribution under progressive type-I interval censoring, *Computational Statistics and Data Analysis*, 54, 1581-1591.
- D. R. Cox and E. J. Snell, 1968. A general definition of residuals. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series B (Methodological)*, 30(2), 248-265.
- M. Teimouri, 2020. Bias corrected maximum likelihood estimators under progressive type-I interval censoring scheme, <https://doi.org/10.1080/03610918.2020.1819320>

Examples

```

data(plasma, package="bccp")
plan <- data.frame(T = plasma$upper, X = plasma$X, P = plasma$P, R = plasma$R)
param <- c("lambda", "beta")
mle <- c(1.4, 0.05)
pdf <- quote( lambda*(1-exp( -(x*beta)))^(lambda-1)*beta*exp( -(x*beta)) )
cdf <- quote( (1-exp( -(x*beta)))^lambda )
lb <- 0
coxctype1(plan = plan, param = param, mle = mle, cdf.expression = FALSE, pdf.expression = TRUE,
          cdf = cdf, pdf = pdf, lb = lb)

```

coxctype2

Computing the bias corrected maximum likelihood estimator.

Description

Computing the bias corrected maximum likelihood estimator (MLE) for the parameters of the general family of distributions under progressive type-II censoring scheme.

Usage

```
coxctype2(plan, param, mle, cdf, pdf, lb = 0, ub = Inf, N = 100)
```

Arguments

plan	Censoring plan for progressive type-II censoring scheme. It must be given as a <code>data.frame</code> that includes number of failed items <code>X</code> , and vector of removed items <code>R</code> .
param	Vector of the of the family parameter's names.
mle	Vector of the maximum likelihood estimators.
cdf	Expression for the cumulative distribution function.
pdf	Expression for the probability density function.
lb	Lower bound of the family's support. That is zero by default.
ub	Upper bound of the family support. That is <code>Inf</code> by default.
N	An even integer value indicating the number of subdivisions for applying Simpson's integration method.

Details

For some families of distributions whose support is the positive semi-axis, i.e., $x > 0$, the cumulative distribution function (cdf) may not be differentiable. In this case, the lower bound of the support of random variable, i.e., `lb` that is zero by default, must be chosen some positive small value to ensure the differentiability of the cdf.

Value

A list of the outputs including: a matrix that represents the variance-covariance matrix of the MLE, a matrix that represents the variance-covariance matrix of the bias corrected MLE, a list of three outputs including MLE, bias of MLE, and bias corrected MLE, a list of goodness-of-fit measures consists of Anderson-Darling (AD), Cramer-von Misses (CVM), and Kolmogorov-Smirnov (KS), statistics.

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References

D. R. Cox and E. J. Snell 1968. A general definition of residuals. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series B (Methodological)*, 30(2), 248-265.

M. Teimouri and S. Nadarajah 2016. Bias corrected MLEs under progressive type-II censoring scheme, *Journal of Statistical Computation and Simulation*, 86 (14), 2714-2726.

Examples

```
n <- 10
R <- c(5, rep(0, n-6) )
param <- c("alpha", "beta")
mle <- c(2,6)
pdf <- quote( alpha/beta*(x/beta)^(alpha-1)*exp( -(x/beta)^alpha ) )
cdf <- quote( 1-exp( -(x/beta)^alpha ) )
lb <- 0
ub <- Inf
N <- 100
plan <- rtype2(n = n, R = R, param = param, mle = mle, cdf = cdf, lb = lb, ub = ub)
coxctype2(plan = plan, param = param, mle = mle, cdf = cdf, pdf = pdf, lb = lb, ub = ub, N = N)
```

fitype1

Computing the Fisher information matrix under progressive type-I interval censoring scheme

Description

Computes the Fisher information matrix under progressive type-I interval censoring scheme. The Fisher information matrix is given by

$$I_{rs} = -E\left(\frac{\partial^2 l(\Theta)}{\partial \theta_r \partial \theta_s}\right),$$

where

$$l(\Theta) = \log L(\Theta) \propto \sum_{i=1}^m X_i \log [F(t_i; \Theta) - F(t_{i-1}; \Theta)] + \sum_{i=1}^m R_i [1 - F(t_i; \Theta)],$$

in which $F(\cdot; \Theta)$ is the family cumulative distribution function for $\Theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k)^T$ and $r, s = 1, \dots, k$.

Usage

```
fitype1(plan, param, mle, cdf.expression = FALSE, pdf.expression = TRUE, cdf, pdf
, lb = 0)
```

Arguments

plan	Censoring plan for progressive type-I interval censoring scheme. It must be given as a data.frame that includes vector of upper bounds of the censoring times T, vector of number of failed subjects X, vector of removed subjects in each interval R, and percentage of the removed alive items in each interval P.
param	Vector of the of the family parameter's names.
mle	Vector of the maximum likelihood estimators.
cdf.expression	Logical. That is TRUE, if there is a closed form expression for the cumulative distribution function.
pdf.expression	Logical. That is TRUE, if there is a closed form expression for the probability density function.
cdf	Expression of the cumulative distribution function.
pdf	Expression of the probability density function.
lb	Lower bound of the family support. That is zero by default.

Details

For some families of distributions whose support is the positive semi-axis, i.e., $x > 0$, the cumulative distribution function (cdf) may not be differentiable. In this case, the lower bound of the support of random variable, i.e., lb that is zero by default, must be chosen some positive small value to ensure the differentiability of the cdf.

Value

Matrices that represent the expected and observed Fisher information matrices.

Author(s)

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References

N. Balakrishnan and E. Cramer. 2014. *The art of progressive censoring*. New York: Springer.

D. G. Chen and Y. L. Lio 2010. Parameter estimations for generalized exponential distribution under progressive type-I interval censoring, *Computational Statistics and Data Analysis*, 54, 1581-1591.

M. Teimouri 2020. Bias corrected maximum likelihood estimators under progressive type-I interval censoring scheme, *Communications in Statistics-Simulation and Computation*, doi.org/10.1080/03610918.2020.1819320

Examples

```

data(plasma)
  n <- 20
param <- c("alpha", "beta")
mle <- c(0.4, 0.05)
cdf <- quote( 1-exp( beta*(1-exp( x^alpha )) ) )
pdf <- quote( exp( beta*(1-exp( x^alpha )) )*( beta*(exp( x^alpha )*(x^(alpha-1)*alpha)) ) )
lb <- 0
plan <- rtype1(n = n, P = plasma$P, T = plasma$upper, param = param, mle = mle, cdf.expression
  = FALSE, pdf.expression = TRUE, cdf = cdf, pdf = pdf, lb = lb)
fitype1(plan = plan, param = param, mle = mle, cdf.expression = FALSE, pdf.expression = TRUE, cdf =
  cdf, pdf = pdf, lb = lb)

```

fitype2

Computing the Fisher information matrix under progressive type-II censoring scheme

Description

Computes the Fisher information matrix under progressive type-I interval censoring scheme. The Fisher information matrix is given by

$$I_{rs} = -E\left(\frac{\partial^2 l(\Theta)}{\partial \theta_r \partial \theta_s}\right),$$

where

$$l(\Theta) = \log L(\Theta) \propto C \sum_{i=1}^m \log f(x_{i:m:n}; \Theta) + \sum_{i=1}^m R_i \log [1 - F(x_{i:m:n}; \Theta)],$$

in which $F(\cdot; \Theta)$ is the family cumulative distribution function for $\Theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k)^T$ and $r, s = 1, \dots, k$, and $C = n(n - R_1 - 1)(n - R_1 - R_2 - 2) \dots (n - R_1 - R_2 - \dots - R_{m-1} - m + 1)$.

Usage

```
fitype2(plan, param, mle, cdf, pdf, lb = 0, ub = Inf, N = 100)
```

Arguments

plan	Censoring plan for progressive type-II censoring scheme. It must be given as a data.frame that includes number of failed items X, and vector of removed items R.
param	Vector of the of the family parameter's names.
mle	Vector of the maximum likelihood estimators.
cdf	Expression for the cumulative distribution function.
pdf	Expression for the probability density function.
lb	Lower bound of the family support. That is zero by default.
ub	Upper bound of the family support. That is Inf by default.
N	An even integer value indicating the number of subdivisions for applying Simpson's integration method.

Details

For some families of distributions whose support is the positive semi-axis, i.e., $x > 0$, the cumulative distribution function (cdf) may not be differentiable. In this case, the lower bound of the support of random variable, i.e., lb that is zero by default, must be chosen some positive small value to ensure the differentiability of the cdf.

Value

Matrices that represent the expected and observed Fisher information matrices.

Author(s)

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References

N. Balakrishnan and AHMED Hossain 2007. Inference for the Type II generalized logistic distribution under progressive Type II censoring, *Journal of Statistical Computation and Simulation*, 77(12), 1013-1031.

M. Teimouri and S. Nadarajah 2016. Bias corrected MLEs under progressive type-II censoring scheme, *Journal of Statistical Computation and Simulation*, 86 (14), 2714-2726.

Examples

```
n <- 20
R <- c(5, rep(0, n-6) )
param <- c("alpha", "beta")
mle <- c(2,6)
pdf <- quote( alpha/beta*(x/beta)^(alpha-1)*exp( -(x/beta)^alpha ) )
cdf <- quote( 1-exp( -(x/beta)^alpha ) )
lb <- 0
ub <- Inf
N <- 100
plan <- rtype2(n = n, R = R, param = param, mle = mle, cdf = cdf, lb = lb, ub = ub)
fitype2(plan = plan, param = param, mle = mle, cdf = cdf, pdf = pdf, lb = lb, ub = ub, N = N)
```

goftype1

Computing goodness-of-fit (GOF) measures under progressive type-I interval censoring scheme.

Description

The goodness-of-fit (GOF) measures consist of Anderson-Darling (AD) and Cram er-von Misses (CVM) statistics for progressive type-I interval censoring scheme are given, respectively, by

$$AD = n \sum_{i=1}^m \gamma_i^2 \log \left[\frac{A_{i+1}(1 - A_i)}{A_i(1 - A_{i+1})} \right] + 2n \sum_{i=1}^m \gamma_i \log \left(\frac{1 - A_{i+1}}{1 - A_i} \right) - n(A_{m+1} - A_1)$$

$$-n \log\left(\frac{1 - A_{m+1}}{1 - A_1}\right) + n(1 - A_{m+1} - \log A_{m+1}),$$

$$CVM = n \sum_{i=1}^m \gamma_i^2 (A_{i+1} - A_i) - n \sum_{i=1}^m \gamma_i (A_{i+1}^2 - A_i^2) + \frac{n}{3} (A_{m+1}^3 - A_1^3) + \frac{n}{3} (1 - A_{m+1})^3,$$

where $R_0 = 0$, $\gamma_i = (\sum_{j=1}^i X_j + \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} R_j)/n$, and $A_i = G(T_{i-1} | \hat{\Theta})$, for $i = 1, \dots, m$.

Usage

```
goftype1(plan, param, mle, cdf.expression = FALSE, pdf.expression = TRUE, cdf, pdf
, lb = 0)
```

Arguments

plan	Censoring plan for progressive type-I interval censoring scheme. It must be given as a data.frame that includes vector of upper bounds of the censoring times T, vector of number of failed subjects X, and vector of removed subjects in each interval R.
param	Vector of the of the family parameter's names.
mle	Vector of the estimated parameters.
cdf.expression	Logical. That is TRUE, if there is a closed form expression for the cumulative distribution function.
pdf.expression	Logical. That is TRUE, if there is a closed form expression for the probability density function.
cdf	Expression of the cumulative distribution function.
pdf	Expression of the probability density function.
lb	Lower bound of the family support. That is zero by default.

Details

We note that for lifetime distributions whose support is the positive semi-axis, i.e., $x > 0$, the cumulative distribution function (cdf) may not be differentiable. In this case, the lower bound of the support of random variable, i.e., lb that is zero by default, must be chosen some positive small value to ensure the differentiability of the cdf. Theoretically, for lifetime distribution, we have $lb = T_0 = 0$.

Value

A vector of goodness-of-fit measures consist of Anderson-Darling (AD) and Cramer-von Misses (CVM) statistics.

Author(s)

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References

M. Teimouri 2020. Bias corrected maximum likelihood estimators under progressive type-I interval censoring scheme, *Communications in Statistics-Simulation and Computation*, <https://doi.org/10.1080/03610918.2020.1819320>.

Examples

```
data(plasma)
  n <- 20
param <- c("alpha", "beta")
mle <- c(0.4, 0.05)
cdf <- quote( 1-exp( beta*(1-exp( x^alpha )) ) )
pdf <- quote( exp( beta*(1-exp( x^alpha )) )*( beta*(exp( x^alpha ))*(x^(alpha-1)*alpha) ) )
lb <- 0
plan <- rtype1(n = n, P = plasma$P, T = plasma$upper, param = param, mle = mle, cdf.expression
  = FALSE, pdf.expression = TRUE, cdf = cdf, pdf = pdf, lb = lb)
goftype1(plan = plan, param = param, mle = mle, cdf.expression=TRUE, pdf.expression = FALSE, cdf =
  cdf, pdf = pdf, lb = lb)
```

goftype2

Computing goodness-of-fit (GOF) measures under progressive type-II censoring scheme.

Description

The goodness-of-fit (GOF) measures consist of Anderson-Darling (AD), Cramer-von Misses (CVM), and log-likelihood statistics for progressive type-II censoring scheme.

Usage

```
goftype2(plan, param, mle, cdf, pdf)
```

Arguments

plan	Censoring plan for progressive type-II censoring scheme. It must be given as a <code>data.frame</code> that includes number of failed items X , and vector of removed items R .
param	Vector of the of the family parameter's names.
mle	Vector of the maximum likelihood estimators.
cdf	Expression for the cumulative distribution function.
pdf	Expression for the probability density function.

Author(s)

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References

R. Pakyari and N. Balakrishnan 2012. A general purpose approximate goodness-of-fit for progressively Type-II censored data, *IEEE Transaction on Reliability*, 61, 238-244.

Examples

```
n <- 20
R <- c(5, rep(0, n-6) )
param <- c("alpha", "beta")
mle <- c(2,6)
pdf <- quote( alpha/beta*(x/beta)^(alpha-1)*exp( -(x/beta)^alpha ) )
cdf <- quote( 1-exp( -(x/beta)^alpha ) )
lb <- 0
ub <- Inf
plan <- rtype2(n = n, R = R, param = param, mle = mle, cdf = cdf, lb = lb, ub = ub)
goftype2(plan = plan, param = param, mle = mle, cdf = cdf, pdf = pdf)
```

mleype1

Computing the maximum likelihood estimator (MLE) for the parameters of the statistical model fitted to a progressive type-I interval censoring scheme.

Description

Computes the MLE of for the parameters of the model fitted to a progressive type-I interval censoring scheme with likelihood function

$$l(\Theta) = \log L(\Theta) \propto \sum_{i=1}^m X_i \log [F(t_i; \Theta) - F(t_{i-1}; \Theta)] + \sum_{i=1}^m R_i [1 - F(t_i; \Theta)],$$

in which $F(\cdot; \Theta)$ is the family cumulative distribution function for $\Theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k)^T$ provided that $F(t_0; \Theta) = 0$.

Usage

```
mleype1(plan, param, start, cdf.expression = FALSE, pdf.expression = TRUE, cdf, pdf,
method = "Nelder-Mead", lb = 0, ub = Inf, level = 0.05)
```

Arguments

plan	Censoring plan for progressive type-I interval censoring scheme. It must be given as a data.frame that includes vector of upper bounds of the censoring times T, vector of number of failed items X, and vector of removed items in each interval R.
param	Vector of the of the family parameter's names.
start	Vector of the initial values.

cdf.expression	Logical. That is TRUE, if there is a closed form expression for the cumulative distribution function.
pdf.expression	Logical. That is TRUE, if there is a closed form expression for the probability density function.
cdf	Expression of the cumulative distribution function.
pdf	Expression of the probability density function.
method	The method for the numerical optimization that includes one of CG, Nelder-Mead, BFGS, L-BFGS-B, SANN.
lb	Lower bound of the family's support. That is zero by default.
ub	Upper bound of the family's support. That is Inf by default.
level	Significance level for constructing asymptotic confidence interval That is 0.05 by default for constructing a 95% confidence interval.

Value

MLE, standard error of MLE, and asymptotic confidence interval for MLE.

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Examples

```
data(plasma, package="bccp")
plan <- data.frame(T = plasma$upper, X = plasma$X, P = plasma$P, R = plasma$R)
param <- c("lambda", "beta")
mle <- c(1.4, 0.05)
pdf <- quote( lambda*(1-exp( -(x*beta)))^(lambda-1)*beta*exp( -(x*beta)) )
cdf <- quote( (1-exp( -(x*beta)))^lambda )
lb <- 0
ub <- Inf
level <- 0.05
mletype1(plan = plan, param = param, start = mle, cdf.expression = FALSE, pdf.expression = TRUE,
         cdf = cdf, pdf = pdf, method = "Nelder-Mead", lb = lb, ub = ub, level = level)
```

mle _{type2}	<i>Computing the maximum likelihood estimator (MLE) for the parameters of the statistical model fitted to a progressive type-II censoring scheme.</i>
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Description

Computes the MLE of for the parameters of the model fitted to a progressive type-II censoring scheme with likelihood function

$$l(\Theta) = \log L(\Theta) \propto C \sum_{i=1}^m \log f(x_{i:m:n}; \Theta) + \sum_{i=1}^m R_i \log [1 - F(x_{i:m:n}; \Theta)],$$

in which $F(\cdot; \Theta)$ is the family cumulative distribution function for $\Theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k)^T$ and $r, s = 1, \dots, k$, and $C = n(n - R_1 - 1)(n - R_1 - R_2 - 2) \dots (n - R_1 - R_2 - \dots - R_{m-1} - m + 1)$.

Usage

```
mletype2(plan, param, start, cdf, pdf, method = "Nelder-Mead", lb = 0, ub = Inf, N = 100,
          level = 0.05)
```

Arguments

plan	Censoring plan for progressive type-II censoring scheme. It must be given as a data.frame including: number of items placed on the test at time zero and a vector that contains number R, of the removed alive items.
param	Vector of the of the family parameter's names.
start	Vector of the initial values.
pdf	Expression of the probability density function.
cdf	Expression of the cumulative distribution function.
method	The method for the numerically optimization that includes one of CG, Nelder-Mead, BFGS, L-BFGS-B, SANN.
lb	Lower bound of the family's support. That is zero by default.
ub	Upper bound of the family's support. That is Inf by default.
N	An even integer number indicating the number of subdivisions for applying Simpson's integration method.
level	Significance level for constructing asymptotic confidence interval That is 0.05 by default for constructing a 95% confidence interval.

Value

MLE, standard error of MLE, and asymptotic confidence interval for MLE.

Author(s)

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References

M. Teimouri and S. Nadarajah 2016. Bias corrected MLEs under progressive type-II censoring scheme, *Journal of Statistical Computation and Simulation*, 86 (14), 2714-2726.

Examples

```
n <- 10
R <- c(5, rep(0, n-6) )
param <- c("alpha", "beta")
mle <- c(2,6)
pdf <- quote( alpha/beta*(x/beta)^(alpha-1)*exp( -(x/beta)^alpha ) )
cdf <- quote( 1-exp( -(x/beta)^alpha ) )
lb <- 0
ub <- Inf
N <- 100
level <- 0.05
```



```
plan <- rtype2(n = n, R = R, param = param, mle = mle, cdf = cdf, lb = lb, ub = ub)
mletype2(plan = plan, param = param, start = mle, cdf = cdf, pdf = pdf, method = "Nelder-Mead",
         lb = lb, ub = ub, N = N, level = level)
```

plasma

Plasma survival data

Description

The plasma survival data contains the Survival times of plasma cell myeloma for 112 patients, see Carbone et al. (1967).

Usage

```
data(plasma)
```

Format

A text file with 4 columns.

References

P. P. Carbone, L. E. Kellerhouse, and E. A. Gehan 1967. Plasmacytic myeloma: A study of the relationship of survival to various clinical manifestations and anomalous protein type in 112 patients. *The American Journal of Medicine*, 42 (6), 937-48.

Examples

```
data(plasma)
```

relief

Wingo's pain relief data

Description

In order to investigate the effectiveness of an anesthetic antibiotic ointment in relieving pain caused by wounds, a number of 30 patients take part in a test where 10 of them are removed from the test under censoring plan $R = (5, 1, 4, 0)$ at times $T_1 = 0.25, T_2 = 0.50, T_3 = 0.75$ and $T_4 = 3.50$. We note that the termination time is not fixed, but it is assumed that $T_4 = 3.50$ sufficiently large to ensure that no observation is right censored, see Balakrishnan and Cramer (2014).

Usage

```
data(relief)
```

Format

A text file with 20 observations.

References

N. Balakrishnan and E. Cramer 2014. *The Art of Progressive Censoring*. New York, Springer.

Examples

```
data(relief)
```

rtype1	<i>Simulating a progressive type-I interval censoring scheme</i>
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Description

Simulates a progressive type-I interval censoring scheme when censoring times and percentage of removed items in end of each interval are given in a `data.frame` structure.

Usage

```
rtype1(n, P, T, param, mle, cdf.expression = FALSE, pdf.expression = TRUE, cdf, pdf,
       lb = 0)
```

Arguments

<code>n</code>	Number of items placed on the test at time zero.
<code>P</code>	A vector of upper bounds of the censoring times T .
<code>T</code>	A vector that contains percentage P , of the removed alive items in each interval.
<code>param</code>	A character vector that contains the name of family's parameters.
<code>mle</code>	A vector that contains of the maximum likelihood estimators of the parameters.
<code>cdf.expression</code>	Logical. That is TRUE, if there is a closed form expression for the cumulative distribution function.
<code>pdf.expression</code>	Logical. That is TRUE, if there is a closed form expression for the probability density function.
<code>cdf</code>	Expression of the cumulative distribution function.
<code>pdf</code>	Expression of the probability density function.
<code>lb</code>	Lower bound of the family's support. That is zero by default.

Details

For a family of distributions whose support is the positive semi-axis, i.e., $x > 0$, the cumulative distribution function (cdf) may not be differentiable. In this case, the lower bound of the support of random variable, i.e., `lb` that is zero by default, must be chosen some positive small value to ensure the differentiability of the cdf.

Value

A data frame with four columns including censoring times, number of failed items in each interval, number of removed subjects in end of each interval, and percentage of removed items in end of each interval.

Author(s)

Mahdi Teimouri

References

R. Aggarwala 2001. Progressive interval censoring: some mathematical results with applications to inference. *Communications in Statistics-Theory and Methods*, 30(8&9), 1921–1935.

Examples

```
data(plasma)
n <- 112
param <- c("alpha", "beta")
mle <- c(0.4, 0.05)
cdf <- quote( 1-exp( beta*(1-exp( x^alpha )) ) )
pdf <- quote( exp( beta*(1-exp( x^alpha )) )*( beta*(exp( x^alpha ))*( x^(alpha-1)*alpha ) ) )
lb <- 0
rtype1(n = n, P = plasma$P, T = plasma$upper, param = param, mle = mle, cdf.expression = FALSE,
pdf.expression = TRUE, cdf = cdf, pdf = pdf, lb = lb)
```

rtype2

Simulating a progressive type-II censoring scheme

Description

Simulates a progressive type-II censoring scheme.

Usage

```
rtype2(n, R, param, mle, cdf, lb = 0, ub = Inf)
```

Arguments

n	Number of items placed on the test at time zero.
R	A vector that contains number R, of the removed alive items.
param	Character vector that contains the name of family's parameters.
mle	The maximum likelihood estimators of the parameters.
cdf	Expression for the cumulative distribution function.
lb	Lower bound of the family's support. That is zero by default.
ub	Upper bound of the family's support. That is Inf by default.

Value

A data frame with two columns including observed lifetimes X , and number of censored items R .

Author(s)

Mahdi Teimouri

References

N. Balakrishnan and R. A. Sandhu 1995. A Simple Simulational Algorithm for Generating Progressive Type-II Censored Samples. *The American Statistician*, 49(2), 229-230.

Examples

```
n <- 20
R <- c(9, rep(0, 10) )
param <- c("alpha", "beta")
mle <- c(0.80, 12)
cdf <- quote( 1-exp( beta*(1-exp( x^alpha )) ) )
lb <- 0
ub <- Inf
rtype2(n = n, R = R, param = param, mle = mle, cdf = cdf, lb = lb, ub = ub)
```

simpson

Computing integration numerically through the Simpson's method

Description

Computes the integration for a real-valued function.

Usage

```
simpson(fun, lb, ub, N = 100)
```

Arguments

fun	Integrand expression
lb	Lower bound of integration.
ub	Upper bound of integration.
N	An even integer value indicating the number of subdivisions for applying Simpson's integration method.

Author(s)

Mahdi Teimouri

References

E. Suli and D. Mayers 2003. *An Introduction to Numerical Analysis*, Cambridge University Press.

Examples

```
fun <- function(x) 1/sqrt( 2*pi*sigma^2 )*exp( -.5*(x-mu)^2/sigma^2 )
mu <- 0
sigma <- 1
lb <- 0
ub <- Inf
N <- 100
simpson(fun = fun, lb = lb, ub = ub, N = N)
```

welcome

Starting message when loading bccp

Description

It contains a welcome message for user of package bccp.

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