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References

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See Also

[EAMM](#), [SSF](#), [PAMM](#)

EAMM

Simulation function for exploratory power analysis for random effects

Description

Given a specific sample size, fixed number of group and replicates per group, the function simulate different variance-covariance structure and assess p-values and power of random intercept and random slope

Usage

```
EAMM(numsim, group, repl, fixed = c(0, 1, 0), VI = seq(0.05, 0.95, 0.05),
      VS = seq(0.05, 0.5, 0.05), CoIS = 0, relIS = "cor", n.X, autocorr.X,
      X.dist, intercept = 0, heteroscedasticity = c("null") )
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------------------|--|
| numsim | number of simulation for each step |
| group | number of group |
| repl | number of replicates per group |
| fixed | vector of length 3 with mean, variance and estimate of fixed effect to simulate. Default: c(0, 1, 0) |
| VI | variance component of intercept. Could be specified as a vector. Default: seq(0.05, 0.95, 0.05) |
| VS | variance component of slope. Could be specified as a vector. Default: seq(0.05, 0.5, 0.05) |
| CoIS | value of correlation or covariance between random intercept and random slope. Default: 0 |
| relIS | "cor" or "cov" set the type of relation give in CoIS. By default the relation is set to correlation |
| n.X | number of different values to simulate for the fixed effect (covariate). If NA, all values of X are independent between groups. If the value specified is equivalent to the number of replicates per group, repl, then all groups are observed for the same values of the covariate. Default: NA |
| autocorr.X | correlation between two successive covariate value for a group. Default: 0 |
| X.dist | specify the distribution of the fixed effect. Only "gaussian" (normal distribution) and "unif" (uniform distribution) are accepted actually. Default: "gaussian" |
| intercept | a numeric value giving the expected intercept value. Default: 0 |
| heteroscedasticity | a vector specifying heterogeneity in residual variance across X. If c("null") residual variance is homogeneous across X. If c("power", t1, t2) models heterogeneity with a constant plus power variance function. Letting v denote the variance covariate and $\sigma^2(v)$ denote the variance function evaluated at v , the constant plus power variance function is defined as $\sigma^2(v) = (\theta_1 + v ^{\theta_2})^2$, where θ_1, θ_2 are the variance function coefficients. If c("exp", t), models heterogeneity with an exponential variance function. Letting v denote the variance covariate and $\sigma^2(v)$ denote the variance function evaluated at v , the exponential variance function is defined as $\sigma^2(v) = e^{2*\theta*v}$, where θ is the variance function coefficient. Default: "Null" |

Details

P-values for random effects are estimated using a log-likelihood ratio test between two models with and without the effect. Power represent the percentage of simulations providing a significant p-value for a given random structure. Residual variance, e, is calculated as 1-VI.

Value

data frame reporting estimated P-values and power with CI for random intercept and random slope

Warning

the simulation is based on a balanced data set with unrelated group

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See Also

[PAMM](#), [SSF](#), [plot.EAMM](#)

Examples

```
## Not run:
ours=EAMM(numsim=10,group=10,repl=4,fixed=c(0,1,1),VI=seq(0.05,0.3,0.05),
          VS=seq(0.05,0.2,0.05) )
plot(ours, "both")

## End(Not run)
```

PAMM

Simulation function to assess power of mixed models

Description

Given a specific varaince-covariance structure for random effect, the function simulate different group size and assess p-values and power of random intercept and random slope

Usage

```
PAMM(numsim, group, repl, randompart, fixed, n.X, autocorr.X,
      X.dist, intercept, heteroscedasticity = c("null"), ftype="lmer")
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------------------------------|--|
| <code>numsim</code> | number of simulation for each step |
| <code>group</code> | number of group. Could be specified as a vector |
| <code>repl</code> | number of replicates per group . Could be specified as a vector |
| <code>randompart</code> | vector of length 4 or 5, with 1: variance component of intercept, VI; 2: variance component of slope, VS; 3: residual variance, VR; 4: relation between random intercept and random slope; 5: "cor" or "cov" determine if the relation 4 between I ans S is a correlation or a covariance. Default: "cor" |
| <code>fixed</code> | vector with mean, variance and estimate of fixed effect to simulate. Default: $c(0, 1, 0)$ |
| <code>n.X</code> | number of different values to simulate for the fixed effect (covariate). If NA, all values of X are independent between groups. If the value specified is equivalent to the number of replicates per group, <code>repl</code> , then all groups are observed for the same values of the covariate. Default: NA |
| <code>autocorr.X</code> | correlation between two successive covariate value for a group. Default: 0 |
| <code>X.dist</code> | specify the distribution of the fixed effect. Only "gaussian" (normal distribution) and "unif" (uniform distribution) are accepted actually. Default: "gaussian" |
| <code>intercept</code> | a numeric value giving the expected intercept value. Default:0 |
| <code>heteroscedasticity</code> | a vector specifying heterogeneity in residual variance across X. If <code>c("null")</code> residual variance is homogeneous across X. If <code>c("power", t1, t2)</code> models heterogeneity with a constant plus power variance function. Letting v denote the variance covariate and $\sigma^2(v)$ denote the variance function evaluated at v , the constant plus power variance function is defined as $\sigma^2(v) = (\theta_1 + v ^{\theta_2})^2$, where θ_1, θ_2 are the variance function coefficients. If <code>c("exp", t)</code> , models heterogeneity with an exponential variance function. Letting v denote the variance covariate and $\sigma^2(v)$ denote the variance function evaluated at v , the exponential variance function is defined as $\sigma^2(v) = e^{2*\theta*v}$, where θ is the variance function coefficient. |
| <code>fctype</code> | character value "lmer", "lme" or "MCMCglmm" specifying the function to use to fit the model. Actually "lmer" only is accepted |

Details

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Value

data frame reporting estimated P-values and power with CI for random intercept and random slope

Warning

the simulation is based on a balanced data set with unrelated group

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See Also

[EAMM](#), [SSF](#), [plot.PAMM](#)

Examples

```
## Not run:
ours=PAMM(numsim=10,group=c(seq(10,50,10),100),repl=c(2,4,6),
  randompart=c(0.4,0.1,0.5,0.1),fixed=c(0,1,0.7))
plot(ours,"both")

## End(Not run)
```

plot.EAMM

Graphic output of the EAMM function

Description

provide graphic interpretation of the simulation results

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'EAMM'
plot(x, graphtype = "both", vi, vs,...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| x | an EAMM object |
| graphtype | "VI", "VS", "both" or "both.dyn" "VI" give graphs with varying variance component of intercept and with a fixed variance component for slope specified in vs argument "VS" give graphs with varying variance component for slope and with a fixed variance component of intercept specified in vi argument "both" 3-D plot using lattice package "both.dyn" 3D plot using rgl package |
| vi | VI for which plots the output. Necessary for "VS" type of graph |
| vs | VS for which plots the output. Necessary for "VI" type of graph |
| ... | potentially further arguments to pass to methods |

Author(s)

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See Also[EAMM](#), [plot.PAMM](#), [plot.SSF](#)**Examples**

```
## Not run:
ours=EAMM(numsim=10,group=10,repl=4,VI=seq(0.05,0.95,0.05),VS=c(0.05,0.1))
plot(ours, "both")
plot(ours, "VI",vi=0.4)
plot(ours,"VS",vs=0.1)

## End(Not run)
```

plot.PAMM

*Graphic output of the PAMM function***Description**

provide graphic interpretation of the simulation results

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'PAMM'
plot(x, graphtype = "both", nbgroup, nbrepl,...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| x | a PAMM object |
| graphtype | "group", "repl", "both" or "both.dyn" "group" give graphs with varying number of ID and with a fixed number of replicates specified in nbrepl "repl" give graphs with varying number of replicates and with a fixed number of ID specified in nbgroup "both" 3-D plot using lattice package. Note: useful only with multiple group size and multiple number of replicates. "both.dyn" 3D plot using rgl package. Note: useful only with multiple group size and multiple number of replicates |
| nbgroup | number of group for which plots the output. Necessary for "repl" type of graph |
| nbrepl | number of replicates for which plots the output. Necessary for "group" type of graph |
| ... | potentially further arguments to pass to methods |

Author(s)

Julien Martin

See Also

[PAMM](#), [plot.EAMM](#), [plot.SSF](#)

Examples

```
## Not run:
ours=PAMM(numsim=10,group=c(10,20,30),repl=c(2,4,6),
  randompart=c(0.4,0.1,0.5,0.1),fixed=c(0,1,0.7))
plot(ours, "both")
plot(ours, "group",nbrepl=4)
plot(ours,"repl",nbgrou=20)

## End(Not run)
```

plot.SSF

Graphic output of the PAMM function

Description

provide graphic interpretation of the simulation results

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'SSF'
plot(x,...)
```

Arguments

x an SSF object
... potentially further arguments to pass to methods

Author(s)

Julien Martin

See Also

[SSF](#), [plot.PAMM](#), [plot.EAMM](#)

Examples

```
## Not run:
oursSSF=SSF(50,100,10,c(0.4,0.1,0.6,0))
plot(oursSSF)

## End(Not run)
```


Description

Given a specific total number of observations and variance-covariance structure for random effect, the function simulates different association of number of group and replicates, giving the specified sample size, and assess p-values and power of random intercept and random slope

Usage

```
SSF(numsim, tss, nbstep = 10, randompart, fixed = c(0, 1, 0), n.X, autocorr.X,
    X.dist, intercept = 0, exgr = NA, exrepl = NA, heteroscedasticity = c("null") )
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------------------|---|
| numsim | number of simulation for each step |
| tss | total sample size, nb group * nb replicates |
| nbstep | number of group*replicates associations to simulate |
| randompart | vector of length 4 or 5 with 1: variance component of intercept, VI; 2: variance component of slope, VS; 3: residual variance, VR; 4: relation between random intercept and random slope; 5: "cor" or "cov" determine id the relation between I ans S is correlation or covariance, set to "cor" by default |
| fixed | vector of length 3 with mean, variance and estimate of fixed effect to simulate |
| n.X | number of different values to simulate for the fixed effect (covariate). If NA, all values of X are independent between groups. If the value specified is equivalent to the number of replicates per group, repl, then all groups are observed for the same values of the covariate. Default: NA |
| autocorr.X | correlation between two successive covariate value for a group. Default: 0 |
| X.dist | specify the distribution of the fixed effect. Only "gaussian" (normal distribution) and "unif" (uniform distribution) are accepted actually. Default: "gaussian" |
| intercept | a numeric value giving the expected intercept value. Default:0 |
| exgr | a vector specifying minimum and maximum value for number of group. Default:c(2, tss/2) |
| exrepl | a vector specifying minimum and maximum value for number of replicates. Default:c(2, tss/2) |
| heteroscedasticity | a vector specifying heterogeneity in residual variance across X. If c("null") residual variance is homogeneous across X. If c("power", t1, t2) models heterogeneity with a constant plus power variance function. Letting v denote the variance covariate and $\sigma^2(v)$ denote the variance function evaluated at v , the constant plus power variance function is defined as $\sigma^2(v) = (\theta_1 + v ^{\theta_2})^2$, where θ_1, θ_2 are the variance function coefficients. If c("exp", t),models heterogeneity with an exponential variance function. Letting v denote the variance |

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See Also

[PAMM](#), [EAMM](#), [plot.SSF](#)

Examples

```
## Not run:  
ours<- SSF(100,200,10,c(0.4,0.1,0.6,0))  
plot(ours)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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