

Package ‘epitools’

February 19, 2015

Version 0.5-7

Date 2012-09-30

Title Epidemiology Tools

Depends R (>= 2.1.0)

Description EpiTools: R Package for Epidemiologic Data and Graphics

License GPL (>= 2)

URL <http://medepi.com/epitools/>

Author Tomas J. Aragon Developer [aut, cre], Michael P. Fay User [ctb], Daniel Wollschlaeger User [ctb]

Maintainer Tomas J. Aragon Developer <aragon@berkeley.edu>

Repository CRAN

Date/Publication 2012-09-30 09:29:17

NeedsCompilation no

R topics documented:

| | |
|------------------------------|----|
| ageadjust.direct | 2 |
| ageadjust.indirect | 4 |
| as.hour | 6 |
| as.month | 8 |
| as.week | 10 |
| binom.conf.int | 13 |
| colorbrewer | 14 |
| colors.plot | 16 |
| epicurve | 17 |
| epidate | 24 |
| epitab | 26 |
| epitable | 29 |
| expand.table | 31 |
| expected | 32 |
| julian2date | 33 |
| kapmeier | 35 |

| | |
|-------------------------|----|
| oddsratio | 36 |
| or.midp | 39 |
| ormidp.test | 41 |
| oswego | 42 |
| pois.conf.int | 43 |
| rate2by2.test | 45 |
| rateratio | 47 |
| ratetable | 49 |
| riskratio | 51 |
| tab2by2.test | 54 |
| table.margins | 56 |
| wcgs | 57 |
| wnv | 58 |

| | |
|--------------|-----------|
| Index | 59 |
|--------------|-----------|

| | |
|------------------|--|
| ageadjust.direct | <i>Age standardization by direct method, with exact confidence intervals</i> |
|------------------|--|

Description

Calculates age standardized (adjusted) rates and "exact" confidence intervals using the direct method

Usage

```
ageadjust.direct(count, pop, rate = NULL, stdpop, conf.level = 0.95)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|---|
| count | vector of age-specific count of events |
| pop | vector of age-specific person-years or population estimates |
| rate | vector of age-specific rates |
| stdpop | vector of age-specific standard population |
| conf.level | confidence level (default = 0.95) |

Details

To make valid comparisons between rates from different groups (e.g., geographic area, ethnicity), one must often adjust for differences in age distribution to remove the confounding affect of age. When the number of events or rates are very small (as is often the case for local area studies), the normal approximation method of calculating confidence intervals may give a negative number for the lower confidence limit. To avoid this common pitfall, one can approximate exact confidence intervals. This function implements this method (Fay 1997).

Original function written by TJ Aragon, based on Anderson, 1998. Function re-written and improved by MP Fay, based on Fay 1998.

Value

| | |
|------------|---------------------------------|
| crude.rate | crude (unadjusted) rate |
| adj.rate | age-adjusted rate |
| lci | lower confidence interval limit |
| uci | upper confidence interval limit |

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Michael P. Fay, <mfay@niaid.nih.gov>; Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>

References

Fay MP, Feuer EJ. Confidence intervals for directly standardized rates: a method based on the gamma distribution. *Stat Med.* 1997 Apr 15;16(7):791-801. PMID: 9131766

Steve Selvin. *Statistical Analysis of Epidemiologic Data (Monographs in Epidemiology and Biostatistics, V. 35)*, Oxford University Press; 3rd edition (May 1, 2004)

Anderson RN, Rosenberg HM. Age Standardization of Death Rates: Implementation of the Year 200 Standard. *National Vital Statistics Reports; Vol 47 No. 3.* Hyattsville, Maryland: National Center for Health Statistics. 1998, pp. 13-19. Available at http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nvsr/nvsr47/nvsr47_03.pdf.

See Also

See also [ageadjust.indirect](#)

Examples

```
## Data from Fleiss, 1981, p. 249
population <- c(230061, 329449, 114920, 39487, 14208, 3052,
72202, 326701, 208667, 83228, 28466, 5375, 15050, 175702,
207081, 117300, 45026, 8660, 2293, 68800, 132424, 98301,
46075, 9834, 327, 30666, 123419, 149919, 104088, 34392,
319933, 931318, 786511, 488235, 237863, 61313)
population <- matrix(population, 6, 6,
dimnames = list(c("Under 20", "20-24", "25-29", "30-34", "35-39",
"40 and over"), c("1", "2", "3", "4", "5+", "Total")))
population
count <- c(107, 141, 60, 40, 39, 25, 25, 150, 110, 84, 82, 39,
3, 71, 114, 103, 108, 75, 1, 26, 64, 89, 137, 96, 0, 8, 63, 112,
262, 295, 136, 396, 411, 428, 628, 530)
count <- matrix(count, 6, 6,
dimnames = list(c("Under 20", "20-24", "25-29", "30-34", "35-39",
"40 and over"), c("1", "2", "3", "4", "5+", "Total")))
count
```

```

### Use average population as standard
standard<-apply(population[,-6], 1, mean)
standard

### This recreates Table 1 of Fay and Feuer, 1997
birth.order1<-ageadjust.direct(count[,1],population[,1],stdpop=standard)
round(10^5*birth.order1,1)

birth.order2<-ageadjust.direct(count[,2],population[,2],stdpop=standard)
round(10^5*birth.order2,1)

birth.order3<-ageadjust.direct(count[,3],population[,3],stdpop=standard)
round(10^5*birth.order3,1)

birth.order4<-ageadjust.direct(count[,4],population[,4],stdpop=standard)
round(10^5*birth.order4,1)

birth.order5p<-ageadjust.direct(count[,5],population[,5],stdpop=standard)
round(10^5*birth.order5p,1)

```

| | |
|--------------------|--|
| ageadjust.indirect | <i>Age standardization by indirect method, with exact confidence intervals</i> |
|--------------------|--|

Description

Calculates age standardized (adjusted) rates and "exact" confidence intervals using the indirect method

Usage

```
ageadjust.indirect(count, pop, stdcount, stdpop, stdrate = NULL,
conf.level = 0.95)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|---|
| count | vector of age-specific count of events |
| pop | vector of age-specific person-years or population estimates |
| stdcount | vector of age-specific standard counts |
| stdpop | vector of age-specific standard population |
| stdrate | vector of age-specific standard rates |
| conf.level | confidence level (default = 0.95) |

Details

To make valid comparisons between rates from different groups (e.g., geographic area, ethnicity), one must often adjust for differences in age distribution to remove the confounding affect of age. When the number of events or rates are very small (as is often the case for local area studies), the normal approximation method of calculating confidence intervals may give a negative number for the lower confidence limit. To avoid this common pitfall, one can approximate exact confidence intervals. This function implements this method (Anderson 1998).

Value

`$sir` observed, expected, standardized incidence ratio, and confidence interval
`$rate` crude.rate, adjusted rate, and confidence interval

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>. Thanks to Giles Crane (<giles.crane@doh.state.nj.gov>) for reporting error in 'ageadjust.indirect' function.

References

Anderson RN, Rosenberg HM. Age Standardization of Death Rates: Implementation of the Year 200 Standard. National Vital Statistics Reports; Vol 47 No. 3. Hyattsville, Maryland: National Center for Health Statistics. 1998, pp. 13-19. Available at http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nvsr/nvsr47/nvs47_03.pdf.

Steve Selvin. Statistical Analysis of Epidemiologic Data (Monographs in Epidemiology and Biostatistics, V. 35), Oxford University Press; 3rd edition (May 1, 2004)

See Also

See also [ageadjust.direct](#)

Examples

```
##From Selvin (2004)
##enter data
dth60 <- c(141, 926, 1253, 1080, 1869, 4891, 14956, 30888,
41725, 26501, 5928)

pop60 <- c(1784033, 7065148, 15658730, 10482916, 9939972,
10563872, 9114202, 6850263, 4702482, 1874619, 330915)

dth40 <- c(45, 201, 320, 670, 1126, 3160, 9723, 17935,
22179, 13461, 2238)

pop40 <- c(906897, 3794573, 10003544, 10629526, 9465330,
8249558, 7294330, 5022499, 2920220, 1019504, 142532)
```

```
##calculate age-specific rates
rate60 <- dth60/pop60
rate40 <- dth40/pop40

#create array for display
tab <- array(c(dth60, pop60, round(rate60*100000,1), dth40, pop40,
round(rate40*100000,1)),c(11,3,2))
agelabs <- c("<1", "1-4", "5-14", "15-24", "25-34", "35-44", "45-54",
"55-64", "65-74", "75-84", "85+")
dimnames(tab) <- list(agelabs,c("Deaths", "Population", "Rate"),
c("1960", "1940"))
tab

##implement direct age standardization using 'ageadjust.direct'
dsr <- ageadjust.direct(count = dth40, pop = pop40, stdpop = pop60)
round(100000*dsr, 2) ##rate per 100,000 per year

##implement indirect age standardization using 'ageadjust.indirect'
isr <- ageadjust.indirect(count = dth40, pop = pop40,
                          stdcount = dth60, stdpop = pop60)
round(isr$sir, 2) ##standarized incidence ratio
round(100000*isr$rate, 1) ##rate per 100,000 per year
```

as.hour

Convert date-time object into hour units

Description

Convert date-time object into hour or half-hour units

Usage

```
as.hour(x, mindt, maxdt, half.hour = FALSE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|--|
| x | Date-time object in standard format: for example, "2004-12-23 08:27:00", "2004-12-23 08:27", "2004-12-23" |
| mindt | [required] Date-time object in standard format that will form the lower boundary of the hour or half-hour time categories. mindt must less than or equal to the minimum value in x, and must be rounded off to the nearest hour for hour categories (e.g., HH:00:00) or rounded off to the nearest half-hour for half-hour categories (e.g., HH:30:00). |
| maxdt | [required] Date-time object in standard format that will form the upper boundary of the hour or half-hour time categories. maxdt must greater than or equal to the minimum value in x, and must be rounded off to the nearest hour for hour categories (e.g., HH:00:00) or rounded off to the nearest half-hour for half-hour categories (e.g., HH:30:00). |

half.hour Set to TRUE for half-hour categories.

Details

This function (1) converts standard date-time objects into 1-hour or 1/2-hour categories, and (2) generates levels for range of values that the new 1-hour or 1/2-hour categories can take. These levels are use for converting x into a factor and for providing names for labeling the x-axis in plot. This function is used by `epicurves.hours`.

Value

| | |
|-------------|---|
| \$ct | Date-time object that contains the number of seconds since the beginning of 1970 as a numeric vector and produced by <code>as.POSIXct</code> . You can use <code>as.POSIXlt</code> to convert this output in human legible (already done by this function). |
| \$sec | seconds |
| \$min | minutes |
| \$hour | hours (0-23) |
| \$hour12 | hours (1-12) |
| \$stratum | number of hours or 1/2 hours since beginning of 1970 |
| \$stratum2 | factor (categorical variable) with number of hours of 1/2 hours since beginning of 1970 using <code>\$cstratum</code> as the levels |
| \$stratum3 | factor (categorical variable) in standard date-time format indicating number of hours or 1/2 hours since beginning of 1970 using <code>\$cstratum2</code> as the levels |
| \$cstratum | levels for creating <code>\$stratum2</code> factor |
| \$cstratum2 | levels for creating <code>\$stratum3</code> factor |
| \$csec | seconds from <code>\$cstratum2</code> |
| \$cmin | minutes from <code>\$cstratum2</code> |
| \$chour | hours from <code>\$cstratum2</code> in 24-hour format |
| \$chour12 | hours from <code>\$cstratum2</code> in 12-hour format |
| \$campm | corresponding 'AM' or 'PM' for <code>\$chour12</code> |
| \$campm2 | corresponding 'am' or 'pm' for <code>\$chour12</code> |
| \$cweekday | day of the week for <code>\$cstratum2</code> |
| \$cwkday | abbreviated day of the week for <code>\$cstratum2</code> |
| \$cmday | day of the month for <code>\$cstratum2</code> |
| \$cmonth | month for <code>\$cstratum2</code> |
| \$cmon | abbreviated month for <code>\$cstratum2</code> |
| \$cyear | year for <code>\$cstratum2</code> |
| \$half.hour | FALSE (default) for 1-hour categories; TRUE for 1/2-hour categories |

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>

References

none

See Also

epitools: [as.month](#), [epicurve.dates](#)
[as.Date](#), [strptime](#), [DateTimeClasses](#)

Examples

```
dates <- c("1/1/04", "1/2/04", "1/3/04", "1/4/04", "1/5/04",
"1/6/04", "1/7/04", "1/8/04", "1/9/04", "1/10/04", NA, "1/12/04",
"1/14/04", "3/5/04", "5/5/04", "7/6/04", "8/18/04", "12/13/05",
"1/5/05", "4/6/05", "7/23/05", "10/3/05")
aw <- as.week(dates, format = "%m/%d/%y")
aw

aw2 <- as.week(dates, format = "%m/%d/%y", sunday= FALSE)
aw2

aw3 <- as.week(dates, format = "%m/%d/%y", min.date="2003-01-01")
aw3
```

as.month

Convert dates into months of the year for plotting epidemic curves

Description

Converts dates into months of the year (1-12); but also creates range of calendar months that can be used to plot an epidemic curve

Usage

```
as.month(x, format = "%Y-%m-%d",
min.date, max.date, before = 31, after = 31,
origin = as.Date("1970-01-01"), abbreviate = TRUE)
```


Arguments

| | |
|------------|--|
| x | character vector of dates |
| format | date format of x; default is of form "2004-08-10" |
| min.date | [optional] minimum calendar date for plotting x-axis of an epidemic curve; should be of the form of "2004-08-10"; if no date is specified, then several days are subtracted from the minimum date in x as specified by the before option |
| max.date | [optional] maximum calendar date for plotting x-axis of an epidemic curve plot; should be of the form of "2004-08-10"; if no date is specified, then several days are added to the maximum date in x as specified by the after option |
| before | if min.date is not specified, then these number of days are subtracted from the minimum date in x for plotting minimum calendar date for epidemic curve |
| after | if max.date is not specified, then these number of days are added to the maximum date in x for plotting maximum calendar date for epidemic curve |
| origin | allows user to specify an alternative origin for Julian dates that are generated by this function (default = "1970-01-01") |
| abbreviate | abbreviate month names to Jan, Feb, Mar, etc.; often used for labeling plots |

Details

This function converts dates to months (1-12). In addition, a range of calendar months are generated that can be used to plot the x-axis of an epidemic curve.

Value

Returns a list of the following:

| | |
|-------------|---|
| \$dates | input dates are converted to standard calendar date format |
| \$mon | month of the year (1-12) |
| \$month | month of the year (Jan, Feb, Mar, ...) |
| \$stratum | the Julian date for the mid-month day of the \$mon value |
| \$stratum2 | the Julian date for the mid-month day of the \$mon value converted to a factor with levels determined by the Julian dates (\$cstratum) used to plot an epidemic curve |
| \$stratum3 | the mid-month day of the \$mon value converted to standard calendar dates |
| \$cmon | the month of the year (1-12) used for plotting the x-axis of the epidemic curve |
| \$cmonth | the months (Jan, Feb, Mar, ...) for the calendar dates used for plotting the x-axis of an epidemic curve |
| \$cstratum | the Julian date for the mid-month day of the \$cmonth value used for plotting the x-axis of an epidemic curve |
| \$cstratum2 | the standard calendar date for the mid-month day of the \$cmonth value used for plotting the x-axis of an epidemic curve |
| \$cmday | the day of the mon (1-31) for the calendar dates used for plotting the x-axis of an epidemic curve |
| \$cyear | the years (e.g., 1996, 2001, ...) for the calendar dates used for plotting the x-axis of the epidemic curve |

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>

References

none

See Also

epitools: [as.week](#), [epicurve.dates](#)
[as.Date](#), [strptime](#), [DateTimeClasses](#)

Examples

```
dates <- c("1/1/04", "1/2/04", "1/3/04", "1/4/04", "1/5/04", "1/6/04",
"1/7/04", "1/8/04", "1/9/04", "1/10/04", NA, "1/12/04", "1/14/04",
"3/5/04", "5/5/04", "7/6/04", "8/18/04", "12/13/05", "1/5/05",
"4/6/05", "7/23/05", "10/3/05")
aw <- as.month(dates, format = "%m/%d/%y")
aw

aw2 <- as.month(dates, format = "%m/%d/%y", min.date="2003-01-01")
aw2
```

as.week

Convert dates object in 'disease week' for plotting epidemic curves

Description

Convert dates into "disease week" with values of 1 to 53 for plotting epidemic curves

Usage

```
as.week(x, format = "%Y-%m-%d",
        min.date, max.date, before = 7, after = 7,
        origin = as.Date("1970-01-01"), sunday = TRUE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|--|
| x | character vector of dates |
| format | date format of x; default is of form "2004-08-10" |
| min.date | [optional] minimum calendar date for plotting x-axis of an epidemic curve; should be of the form of "2004-08-10"; if no date is specified, then several days are subtracted from the minimum date in x as specified by the before option |
| max.date | [optional] maximum calendar date for plotting x-axis of an epidemic curve plot; should be of the form of "2004-08-10"; if no date is specified, then several days are added to the maximum date in x as specified by the after option |
| before | if min.date is not specified, then these number of days are subtracted from the minimum date in x for plotting minimum calendar date for epidemic curve |
| after | if max.date is not specified, then these number of days are added to the maximum date in x for plotting maximum calendar date for epidemic curve |
| origin | allows user to specify an alternative origin for Julian dates that are generated by this function (default = "1970-01-01") |
| sunday | First day of the week is Sunday (default = TRUE); setting to FALSE makes Monday the first day of the week |

Details

In public health, reportable diseases are often reported by 'disease week' (either week of reporting or week of symptom onset). In R, weeks are numbered from 0 to 53 in the same year. The first day of week 1 starts with either the first Sunday or Monday of the year. Days before week 1 are numbered as 0s.

In contrast to R, the as.week function generates weeks numbered from 1 to 53. The week before week 1 takes on the value (52 or 53) from the last week of the previous year. The as.week functions facilitates working with multiple years and generating epidemic curves.

Value

Returns a list of the following:

| | |
|------------|--|
| \$dates | input dates are converted to standard calendar date format |
| \$firstday | first day of the week is reported |
| \$week | week of the year (1-53); note that week 52 or 53 can represent both last week of a year but also the first few days at the beginning of the year |
| \$stratum | the Julian date for the mid-week day of the \$week value |
| \$stratum2 | the Julian date for the mid-week day of the \$week value converted to a factor with levels determined by the Julian dates (\$cstratum) used to plot the epidemic curve |
| \$stratum3 | the mid-week day of the \$week value converted to standard calendar dates |
| \$cweek | the week of the year used for plotting the x-axis of an epidemic curve |
| \$cstratum | the Julian date for the mid-week day of the \$cweek value used for plotting the x-axis of an epidemic curve |

| | |
|--------------------------|---|
| <code>\$cstratum2</code> | the standard calendar date for the mid-week day of the <code>\$cweek</code> value used for plotting the x-axis of an epidemic curve |
| <code>\$cmday</code> | the day of the mon (1-31) for the calendar dates used for plotting the x-axis of an epidemic curve |
| <code>\$cmonth</code> | the months (Jan, Feb, Mar, ...) for the calendar dates used for plotting the x-axis of an epidemic curve |
| <code>\$cyear</code> | the years (e.g., 1996, 2001, ...) for the calendar dates used for plotting the x-axis of an epidemic curve |

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>

References

none

See Also

epitools: [as.month](#), [epicurve.dates](#)
[as.Date](#), [strptime](#), [DateTimeClasses](#)

Examples

```
dates <- c("1/1/04", "1/2/04", "1/3/04", "1/4/04", "1/5/04",
"1/6/04", "1/7/04", "1/8/04", "1/9/04", "1/10/04", NA, "1/12/04",
"1/14/04", "3/5/04", "5/5/04", "7/6/04", "8/18/04", "12/13/05",
"1/5/05", "4/6/05", "7/23/05", "10/3/05")
aw <- as.week(dates, format = "%m/%d/%y")
aw

aw2 <- as.week(dates, format = "%m/%d/%y", sunday= FALSE)
aw2

aw3 <- as.week(dates, format = "%m/%d/%y", min.date="2003-01-01")
aw3
```

| | |
|----------------|--|
| binom.conf.int | <i>Confidence intervals for binomial counts or proportions</i> |
|----------------|--|

Description

Calculates confidence intervals for binomial counts or proportions

Usage

```
binom.exact(x, n, conf.level = 0.95)
binom.wilson(x, n, conf.level = 0.95)
binom.approx(x, n, conf.level = 0.95)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------------------|--|
| <code>x</code> | number of successes in n trials, can be a vector |
| <code>n</code> | number of Bernoulli trials, can be a vector |
| <code>conf.level</code> | confidence level (default = 0.95), can be a vector |

Details

The function, `binom.exact`, calculates exact confidence intervals for binomial counts or proportions. This function uses R's `binom.test` function; however, the arguments to this function can be numeric vectors of any length.

The function, `binom.wilson`, calculates confidence intervals for binomial counts or proportions using Wilson's formula which approximate the exact method. The arguments to this function can be numeric vectors of any length (Rothman).

The function, `binom.approx`, calculates confidence intervals for binomial counts or proportions using a normal approximation to the binomial distribution. The arguments to this function can be numeric vectors of any length.

Value

This function returns a $n \times 6$ matrix with the following colnames:

| | |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <code>x</code> | number of successes in n trials |
| <code>n</code> | number of Bernoulli trials |
| <code>prop</code> | proportion = x/n |
| <code>lower</code> | lower confidence interval limit |
| <code>upper</code> | upper confidence interval limit |
| <code>conf.level</code> | confidence level |

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>

References

Tomas Aragon, et al. Applied Epidemiology Using R. Available at <http://medepi.com>

Kenneth Rothman (2002), Epidemiology: An Introduction, Oxford University Press, 1st Edition.

See Also

[pois.exact](#), [binom.test](#)

Examples

```
binom.exact(1:10, seq(10, 100, 10))
binom.wilson(1:10, seq(10, 100, 10))
binom.approx(1:10, seq(10, 100, 10))
```

colorbrewer

Display and create ColorBrewer palettes

Description

Display and create ColorBrewer palettes based on Cindy Brewer's website at www.colorbrewer.org.

Usage

```
colorbrewer.display(nclass = 5,
                    type = c("qualitative", "sequential", "diverging"),
                    col.bg = "white")
colorbrewer.palette(nclass = 5,
                    type = c("qualitative", "sequential", "diverging"),
                    palette = letters[1:18])
colorbrewer.data()
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------|---|
| nclass | number of classes or categories to be compared graphically |
| type | select either 'qualitative' (default), 'sequential', or 'diverging' |
| col.bg | set background color (default is white) |
| palette | select palette (letter) from displayed plot |

Details

These R functions includes color specifications and designs developed by Cynthia Brewer (<http://www.colorbrewer.org>). For more details on color selection please visit this excellent site.

First, select the number of classes or categories to be compared (`nclass`). Second, select the type of comparison (qualitative vs. sequential vs. diverging). Third, use `colorbrewer.display` to display the available ColorBrewer palette for a given type and number of classes. Fourth, using the `colorbrewer.palette` function, create a color palette for use in R graphics functions (e.g. `col = mypal`, where `mypal` was created from `colorbrewer.palette`).

Note that you can change the background color.

ColorBrewer is Copyright (c) 2002 Cynthia Brewer, Mark Harrower, and The Pennsylvania State University. All rights reserved. The ColorBrewer palettes have been included in this R package with permission of the copyright holder. Copyright and license information at <http://www.colorbrewer.org>.

These functions for `epitools` were created to make the ColorBrewer palettes readily available to `epitools` users, and to have the same 3-step selection order as the www.colorbrewer.org site. A more visually appealing display of the ColorBrewer schemes is available in the `RColorBrewer` package.

Value

`colorbrewer.display` displays ColorBrewer selection and invisibly returns data that corresponds to graphical display

`colorbrewer.palette` returns rgb vector palette

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>

References

ColorBrewer, by Cynthia Brewer, Pennsylvanis State University, <cbrewer@psu.edu>, <http://www.colorbrewer.org> accessed on 2004-11-26

See Also

`epitools` package: [colors.plot](#)

Examples

```
##display available palettes for given nclass and type
colorbrewer.display(9, "sequential")
```

```
##change background to blue
colorbrewer.display(9, "sequential", "blue")
```

```
##display available palettes for given nclass and type,
##but also display RGB numbers to create your own palette
cbrewer.9s <- colorbrewer.display(9, "sequential")
cbrewer.9s

##Display and use ColorBrewer palette
##first, display and choose palette (letter)
colorbrewer.palette(10, "q")

##second, extract and use ColorBrewer palette
mycolors <- colorbrewer.palette(nclass = 10, type = "q", palette = "b")
xx <- 1:10
yy <- outer(1:10, 1:10, "*")
matplot(xx,yy, type="l", col = mycolors, lty = 1, lwd = 4)
```

colors.plot

Plots R's 657 named colors for selection

Description

Plots R's 657 named colors for selection

Usage

```
colors.plot(locator = FALSE, cex.axis = 0.7)
colors.matrix()
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|---|
| | colors.plot: |
| | activates 'locator' for interactive selection of color names (default is FALSE) |
| cex.axis | change size of axes labels |
| | colors.matrix has no arguments. |

Details

The colors.plot function plots R's 657 named colors. If locator=TRUE then you can interactively point and click to select the colors for which you want names. To end selection, right click on the mouse and select 'Stop', then R returns the selected color names.

The colors.matrix function is used by colors.plot to create the matrix of color names that corresponds to the graph created by colors.plot. colors.matrix can be used alone to create the matrix of name without generating a plot. To see the matrix it must be assigned an object name and then displayed.

Value

`colors.plot` generates plot with R colors and, when `locator=TRUE`, returns matrix with graph coordinates and names of colors selected

`colors.matrix` quietly returns matrix of names

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>

References

none

See Also

[colorbrewer.display](#), [colorbrewer.palette](#), [colorbrewer.data](#)
[colors](#)

Examples

```
##creates matrix with color names
cm <- colors.matrix()
cm[1:3, 1:3]

##generates plot
colors.plot()

##generates plot and activates 'locator'
##don't run
##colors.plot(TRUE)
```

epicurve

Construct an epidemic curve

Description

Construct an epidemic curve

Usage

```
epicurve.dates(x, format = "%Y-%m-%d", strata = NULL,
               min.date, max.date, before = 7, after = 7,
               width = 1, space = 0, tick = TRUE,
               tick.offset = 0.5, segments = FALSE, ...)

epicurve.weeks(x, format = "%Y-%m-%d", strata = NULL,
               min.date, max.date, before = 7, after = 7,
               width = 1, space = 0, tick = TRUE,
               tick.offset = 0.5, segments = FALSE,
               origin = as.Date("1970-01-01"), sunday = TRUE, ...)

epicurve.months(x, format = "%Y-%m-%d", strata = NULL,
                min.date, max.date, before = 31, after = 31,
                width = 1, space = 0, tick = TRUE,
                tick.offset = 0.5, segments = FALSE,
                origin = as.Date("1970-01-01"), ...)

epicurve.hours(x, mindt, maxdt, strata = NULL, half.hour = FALSE,
               width = 1, space = 0, tick = TRUE,
               tick.offset = 0.5, segments = FALSE, ...)

epicurve.table(x, width = 1, space = 0, tick = TRUE,
               tick.offset = 0.5, segments = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|--|
| x | character vector of dates |
| format | date format of x; default is of form "2004-08-10" |
| strata | [optional] categorical vector (character or factor) for stratifying x |
| min.date | [optional] minimum calendar date for plotting x-axis of an epidemic curve; should be of the form of "2004-08-10"; if no date is specified, then several days are subtracted from the minimum date in x as specified by the before option |
| max.date | [optional] maximum calendar date for plotting x-axis of an epidemic curve; should be of the form of "2004-08-10"; if no date is specified, then several days are added to the maximum date in x as specified by the after option |
| before | if min.date is not specified, then these number of days are subtracted from the minimum date in x for plotting minimum calendar date for epidemic curve |
| after | if max.date is not specified, then these number of days are added to the maximum date in x for plotting maximum calendar date for epidemic curve |
| mindt | [required] Date-time object in standard format that will form the lower boundary of the hour or half-hour time categories. The mindt option must less than or equal to the minimum value in x, and must be rounded off to the nearest hour for hour categories (e.g., HH:00:00) or rounded off to the nearest half-hour for half-hour categories (e.g., HH:30:00). |

| | |
|--------------------------|---|
| <code>maxdt</code> | [required] Date-time object in standard format that will form the upper boundary of the hour or half-hour time categories. The <code>maxdt</code> option must be greater than or equal to the minimum value in <code>x</code> , and must be rounded off to the nearest hour for hour categories (e.g., HH:00:00) or rounded off to the nearest half-hour for half-hour categories (e.g., HH:30:00). |
| <code>half.hour</code> | Set to <code>TRUE</code> for half-hour categories in <code>epicurve.hours</code> . |
| <code>width</code> | width of bars in the epidemic curve; this value is passed to <code>barplot</code> function |
| <code>space</code> | space between bars in the epidemic curve; this value is passed to <code>barplot</code> function |
| <code>tick</code> | adds tick marks to the x-axis (default = <code>TRUE</code>) |
| <code>tick.offset</code> | offsets tick marks so that they are plotted between the bars |
| <code>segments</code> | segments bars so that each box represents one case |
| <code>origin</code> | allows user to specify an alternative origin for Julian dates that are generated by this function (default = "1970-01-01") |
| <code>sunday</code> | First day of the week is Sunday (default = <code>TRUE</code>); setting to <code>FALSE</code> makes Monday the first day of the week |
| <code>...</code> | options are passed to the <code>barplot</code> function |

Details

These functions make plotting epidemic curves much easier in R. Normally, to plot an epidemic curve in R, one must do the following: (1) have disease onset dates in some calendar date format, (2) convert these onset dates into a factor with the levels specified by the range of calendar dates for the x-axis of the epidemic curve, (3) convert this factor into a table (with or without stratification), (4) use this table as an argument in the `barplot` function to plot the epidemic curve, and (5) make final adjustments (labels, titles, etc.).

Why use the `barplot` function? Strictly speaking, an epidemic curve is a histogram displaying the distribution of onset times which are categorized into, for example, dates. However, histogram functions seem to work better for measurements that are continuous (e.g., height, weight). In contrast, epidemic curves are constructed from onset time data that has been categorized into days, weeks, or months. For this type of categorical data, the `barplot` does a better job. The caveat, however, is that we need to specify the range of possible calendar dates, weeks, or months in order to construct an appropriate plot. To do this we convert the data into a factor with the levels specified by the possible calendar date values.

To make this whole process much easier, and to generate additional data that can be used for labeling your epidemic curve, the `epicurve` functions were created.

Value

| | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <code>epicurve.dates</code> | returns list: |
| <code>\$dates</code> | input dates are converted to standard calendar date format |
| <code>\$dates2</code> | input dates are also converted to a factor with levels determined by the calendar dates (<code>\$cdates</code>) used to plot the epidemic curve |
| <code>\$xvals</code> | x-axis numeric values used for plotting the epidemic curve; this comes from the <code>barplot</code> function |

| | |
|------------------------------|--|
| <code>\$cdates</code> | the calendar dates used for plotting the epidemic curve |
| <code>\$cmday</code> | the day of the mon (1-31) for the calendar dates used for plotting the x-axis of the epidemic curve |
| <code>\$cmonth</code> | the months (Jan, Feb, Mar, ...) for the calendar dates used for plotting the x-axis of the epidemic curve |
| <code>\$cyear</code> | the years (e.g., 1996, 2001, ...) for the calendar dates used for plotting the x-axis of the epidemic curve |
| <code>epicurve.weeks</code> | returns list: |
| <code>\$dates</code> | input dates are converted to standard calendar date format |
| <code>\$firstday</code> | first day of the week is reported |
| <code>\$week</code> | week of the year (1-53); note that week 52 or 53 can represent both last week of a year but also the first few days at the beginning of the year |
| <code>\$stratum</code> | the Julian date for the mid-week day of the <code>\$week</code> value |
| <code>\$stratum2</code> | the Julian date for the mid-week day of the <code>\$week</code> value converted to a factor with levels determined by the Julian dates (<code>\$cstratum</code>) used to plot the epidemic curve |
| <code>\$stratum3</code> | the mid-week day of the <code>\$week</code> value converted to standard calendar dates |
| <code>\$xvals</code> | x-axis numeric values used for plotting the epidemic curve; this comes from the <code>barplot</code> function |
| <code>\$cweek</code> | the week of the year used for plotting the x-axis of the epidemic curve |
| <code>\$cstratum</code> | the Julian date for the mid-week day of the <code>\$cweek</code> value used for plotting the x-axis of the epidemic curve |
| <code>\$cstratum2</code> | the standard calendar date for the mid-week day of the <code>\$cweek</code> value used for plotting the x-axis of the epidemic curve |
| <code>\$cmday</code> | the day of the mon (1-31) for the calendar dates used for plotting the x-axis of the epidemic curve |
| <code>\$cmonth</code> | the months (Jan, Feb, Mar, ...) for the calendar dates used for plotting the x-axis of the epidemic curve |
| <code>\$cyear</code> | the years (e.g., 1996, 2001, ...) for the calendar dates used for plotting the x-axis of the epidemic curve |
| <code>epicurve.months</code> | returns list: |
| <code>\$dates</code> | input dates are converted to standard calendar date format |
| <code>\$mon</code> | month of the year (1-12) |
| <code>\$month</code> | month of the year (Jan, Feb, Mar, ...) |
| <code>\$stratum</code> | the Julian date for the mid-month day of the <code>\$mon</code> value |
| <code>\$stratum2</code> | the Julian date for the mid-month day of the <code>\$mon</code> value converted to a factor with levels determined by the Julian dates (<code>\$cstratum</code>) used to plot the epidemic curve |
| <code>\$stratum3</code> | the mid-month day of the <code>\$mon</code> value converted to standard calendar dates |

| | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <code>\$xvals</code> | x-axis numeric values used for plotting the epidemic curve; this comes from the <code>barplot</code> function |
| <code>\$cmon</code> | the month of the year (1-12) used for plotting the x-axis of the epidemic curve |
| <code>\$cmonth</code> | the months (Jan, Feb, Mar, ...) for the calendar dates used for plotting the x-axis of the epidemic curve |
| <code>\$cstratum</code> | the Julian date for the mid-month day of the <code>\$cmonth</code> value used for plotting the x-axis of the epidemic curve |
| <code>\$cstratum2</code> | the standard calendar date for the mid-month day of the <code>\$cmonth</code> value used for plotting the x-axis of the epidemic curve |
| <code>\$cmday</code> | the day of the mon (1-31) for the calendar dates used for plotting the x-axis of the epidemic curve |
| <code>\$cyear</code> | the years (e.g., 1996, 2001, ...) for the calendar dates used for plotting the x-axis of the epidemic curve |
| <code>epicurve.hours</code> | returns list: |
| <code>\$ct</code> | Date-time object that contains the number of seconds since the beginning of 1970 as a numeric vector and produced by <code>as.POSIXct</code> . You can use <code>as.POSIXlt</code> to convert this output in human legible (already done by this function). |
| <code>\$sec</code> | seconds |
| <code>\$min</code> | minutes |
| <code>\$hour</code> | hours (0-23) |
| <code>\$hour12</code> | hours (1-12) |
| <code>\$stratum</code> | number of hours or 1/2 hours since beginning of 1970 |
| <code>\$stratum2</code> | factor (categorical variable) with number of hours of 1/2 hours since beginning of 1970 using <code>\$cstratum</code> as the levels |
| <code>\$stratum3</code> | factor (categorical variable) in standard date-time format indicating number of hours or 1/2 hours since beginning of 1970 using |
| <code>\$xvals</code> | |
| <code>\$cstratum</code> | levels for creating <code>\$stratum2</code> factor |
| <code>\$cstratum2</code> | levels for creating <code>\$stratum3</code> factor |
| <code>\$csec</code> | seconds from <code>\$cstratum2</code> |
| <code>\$cmin</code> | minutes from <code>\$cstratum2</code> |
| <code>\$chour</code> | hours from <code>\$cstratum2</code> in 24-hour format |
| <code>\$chour12</code> | hours from <code>\$cstratum2</code> in 12-hour format |
| <code>\$campm</code> | corresponding 'AM' or 'PM' for <code>\$chour12</code> |
| <code>\$campm2</code> | corresponding 'am' or 'pm' for <code>\$chour12</code> |
| <code>\$weekday</code> | day of the week for <code>\$cstratum2</code> |
| <code>\$cwkd</code> | abbreviated day of the week for <code>\$cstratum2</code> |
| <code>\$cmday</code> | day of the month for <code>\$cstratum2</code> |
| <code>\$cmonth</code> | month for <code>\$cstratum2</code> |
| <code>\$cmon</code> | abbreviated month for <code>\$cstratum2</code> |

`$year` year for `$cstratum2`
`$half.hour` FALSE (default) for 1-hour categories; TRUE for 1/2-hour categories
`epicurve.table` returns numeric vector:
`xvals` x-axis numeric values used for plotting the epidemic curve; this comes from the `barplot` function

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>

References

none

See Also

[barplot](#), [strptime](#)

Examples

```
##epicurve.dates
sampdates <- seq(as.Date("2004-07-15"), as.Date("2004-09-15"), 1)
x <- sample(sampdates, 100, rep=TRUE)
xs <- sample(c("Male","Female"), 100, rep=TRUE)
epicurve.dates(x)
epicurve.dates(x, strata = xs)
rr <- epicurve.dates(x, strata = xs, segments = TRUE,
  axisnames = FALSE)
axis(1, at = rr$xvals, labels = rr$cmday, tick = FALSE, line = 0)
axis(1, at = rr$xvals, labels = rr$cmmonth, tick = FALSE, line = 1)
```

```
##epicurve.weeks
sampdates <- seq(as.Date("2004-07-15"), as.Date("2004-09-15"), 1)
x <- sample(sampdates, 100, rep=TRUE)
xs <- sample(c("Male","Female"), 100, rep=TRUE)
epicurve.weeks(x)
```

```
epicurve.weeks(x, strata = xs)
```

```
rr <- epicurve.weeks(x, strata = xs, segments = TRUE)
rr
```

```
##epicurve.months
dates <- c("1/1/04", "1/2/04", "1/3/04", "1/4/04", "1/5/04",
"1/6/04", "1/7/04", "1/8/04", "1/9/04", "1/10/04", NA, "1/12/04",
"1/14/04", "3/5/04", "5/5/04", "7/6/04", "8/18/04", "12/13/05",
```

```

"1/5/05", "4/6/05", "7/23/05", "10/3/05")
aw <- as.month(dates, format = "%m/%d/%y")
aw
aw2 <- as.month(dates, format = "%m/%d/%y", min.date="2003-01-01")
aw2

##epicurve.hours
data(oswego)
## create vector with meal date and time
mdt <- paste("4/18/1940", oswego$meal.time)
mdt[1:10]
## convert into standard date and time
meal.dt <- strptime(mdt, "%m/%d/%Y %I:%M %p")
meal.dt[1:10]
## create vector with onset date and time
odt <- paste(paste(oswego$onset.date, "/1940", sep=""), oswego$onset.time)
odt[1:10]
## convert into standard date and time
onset.dt <- strptime(odt, "%m/%d/%Y %I:%M %p")
onset.dt[1:10]

##set colors
col3seq.d <- c("#43A2CA", "#A8DDB5", "#E0F3DB")

par.fin <- par()$fin
par(fin=c(5,3.4))

##1-hour categories
xv <- epicurve.hours(onset.dt, "1940-04-18 12:00:00", "1940-04-19 12:00:00",
                    axisnames = FALSE, axes = FALSE, ylim = c(0,11),
                    col = col3seq.d[1], segments = TRUE,
                    strata = oswego$sex)

hh <- xv$chour12==3 | xv$chour12== 6 | xv$chour12== 9
hh2 <- xv$chour12==12
hh3 <- xv$chour12==1
hlab <- paste(xv$chour12,xv$campm2,sep="")
hlab2 <- paste(xv$cmonth,xv$cmday)
axis(1, at = xv$xval[hh], labels = xv$chour12[hh], tick = FALSE, line = -.2)
axis(1, at = xv$xval[hh2], labels = hlab[hh2], tick = FALSE, line = -.2)
axis(1, at = xv$xval[hh3], labels = hlab2[hh3], tick = FALSE, line = 1.0)
axis(2, las = 1)
title(main = "Figure 1. Cases of Gastrointestinal Illness
by Time of Onset of Symptoms (Hour Category)
Oswego County, New York, April 18-19, 2004",
      xlab = "Time of Onset",
      ylab = "Cases")

##1/2-hour categories
xv <- epicurve.hours(onset.dt, "1940-04-18 12:00:00", "1940-04-19 12:00:00",
                    axisnames = FALSE, axes = FALSE, ylim = c(0,11),
                    col = col3seq.d[1], segments = TRUE,
                    half.hour = TRUE, strata = oswego$sex)

```

```

hh <- xv$chour12==3 | xv$chour12== 6 | xv$chour12== 9
hh2 <- xv$chour12==12
hh3 <- xv$chour12==1
hlab <- paste(xv$chour12,xv$campm2,sep="")
hlab2 <- paste(xv$cmmonth,xv$cmday)
axis(1, at = xv$xval[hh], labels = xv$chour12[hh], tick = FALSE, line = -.2)
axis(1, at = xv$xval[hh2], labels = hlab[hh2], tick = FALSE, line = -.2)
axis(1, at = xv$xval[hh3], labels = hlab2[hh3], tick = FALSE, line = 1.0)
axis(2, las = 1)
title(main = "Figure 2. Cases of Gastrointestinal Illness
by Time of Onset of Symptoms (1/2 Hour Category)
Oswego County, New York, April 18-19, 2004",
      xlab = "Time of Onset",
      ylab = "Cases")

par(fin=par.fin)

##epicurve.table
xvec <- c(1,2,3,4,5,4,3,2,1)
epicurve.table(xvec)

names(xvec) <- 1991:1999
epicurve.table(xvec)

xmtx <- rbind(xvec, xvec)
rownames(xmtx) <- c("Male", "Female")
epicurve.table(xmtx)

epicurve.table(xmtx, seg = TRUE)

```

epidate

Convert dates into multiple legible formats

Description

Convert character vector of dates into multiple legible formats.

Usage

```
epidate(x, format = "%m/%d/%Y", cal.dates = FALSE,
        before = 7, after = 7, sunday = TRUE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------|---|
| x | character vector of dates to be converted |
| format | format of character vector of dates |

| | |
|-----------|---|
| cal.dates | Calendar dates that contains x, starting 7 days 'before' (default) until 7 days 'after' x |
| before | defines lower limit of cal.dates: default is 7 days before earliest date in x |
| after | defines upper limit of cal.dates: default is 7 days after latest date in x |
| sunday | first day of the week is either Sunday (default) or Monday |

Details

Dates can come in many formats (e.g., November 12, 2001, 12Nov01, 11/12/2001, 11/12/01, 2001-11-12) and need to be converted into other formats for data analysis, graphical displays, generating reports, etc.

There is tremendous flexibility in converting any character vector with sufficient information to be converted into a unique date. For complete options for the format option see [strptime](#).

Value

| | |
|----------|--|
| dates | dates with date-time class |
| julian | number of days since 1970-01-01 |
| mday | day of the month: 1-31 |
| mon | month of the year: 0-11 |
| month | month: January, February, March, ... |
| month2 | month: Jan, Feb, Mar, ... |
| firstday | first day of the week: Sunday or Monday |
| week | week of the year: 0-53 |
| year | year: YYYY |
| yr | year: YY |
| wday | day of the week: 0-6 |
| weekday | weekday: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, ... |
| wkday | weekday: Mon, Tue, Wed, ... |
| yday | day of the year: 0-365 |
| quarter | quarter of the year: Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4 |
| cdates | Calendar dates that contains dates |
| cjulian | Julian calendar dates |

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>

References

none

See Also

epitools: [as.week](#)

[DateTimeClasses](#) to learn about date-time classes

[format.Date](#) to convert character vector of dates into calendar dates with date-time class (done by `epidate`)

[strptime](#) to convert date-time character strings into a date-time class

Examples

```
#x <- c("12/1/03", "11/2/03", NA, "1/7/04", "1/14/04", "8/18/04")
#epidate(x, format = "%m/%d/%y")
#epidate(x, format = "%m/%d/%y", TRUE)
#
###convert vector of disease weeks into vector of mid-week dates
#dwk <- sample(0:53, 100, replace = TRUE)
#wk2date <- paste(dwk, "/", "Wed", sep="")
#wk2date[1:10]
#wk2date2 <- epidate(wk2date, format = "%U/%a")
#wk2date2$dates[1:20]
```

epitab

Epidemiologic tabulation for a cohort or case-control study

Description

Calculates risks, risk ratio, odds ratio, and confidence intervals for epidemiologic data

Usage

```
epitab(x, y = NULL,
       method = c("oddsratio", "riskratio", "rateratio"),
       conf.level = 0.95,
       rev = c("neither", "rows", "columns", "both"),
       oddsratio = c("wald", "fisher", "midp", "small"),
       riskratio = c("wald", "boot", "small"),
       rateratio = c("wald", "midp"),
       pvalue = c("fisher.exact", "midp.exact", "chi2"),
       correction = FALSE,
       verbose = FALSE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|---|
| x | For odds ratio or risk ratio, input data can be one of the following: r x 2 table, vector of numbers from a contingency table (will be transformed into r x 2 table in row-wise order), or single factor or character vector that will be combined with y into a table. For rate ratio, input data can be one of the following: r x 2 table where first column contains disease counts and second column contains person time at risk; a single numeric vector of counts followed by person time at risk; a single numeric vector of counts combined with y which would be a numeric vector of corresponding person time at risk |
| y | For odds ratio or risk ratio, a single factor or character vector that will be combined with x into a table (default is NULL) For rate ratio, a numeric vector of person-time at risk; if provided, x must be a numeric vector of disease counts |
| method | select measure of association: "oddsratio" (default), "riskratio", or "rateratio" |
| conf.level | confidence level (default is 0.95) |
| rev | reverse order of "rows", "columns", "both", or "neither" (default) |
| oddsratio | selection estimation method: "wald" (default), "fisher", "midp", "small" |
| riskratio | selection estimation method: "wald" (default), "boot", "small" |
| rateratio | "wald" (default), "midp" |
| pvalue | "fisher.exact" (default), "midp.exact", "chi2" (normal approximation); for rate ratio, "fisher.exact" not calculated |
| correction | set to TRUE for Yate's continuity correction (default is FALSE) |
| verbose | set to TRUE to return more detailed results (default is FALSE) |

Details

The `epitab` calculates odds ratios, risk ratios, or rate ratios for rx2 tables. The odds ratios are estimated using unconditional maximum likelihood (Wald), conditional maximum likelihood (Fisher), median-unbiased method (mid-p), or small-sample adjusted. The confidence intervals are estimated using a normal approximation (Wald), hypergeometric exact (Fisher), mid-p exact, or small sample adjusted method.

The risk ratios are estimated using unconditional maximum likelihood (Wald), or small-sample adjusted. The confidence intervals are estimated using a normal approximation (Wald), or bootstrap estimation.

The rate ratios are estimated using unconditional maximum likelihood estimation (Wald), or median unbiased method (mid-p). The confidence intervals are estimated using normal approximation, or mid-p exact method.

Notice the expected structure of the data to be given to 'epitab':

| Exposure | Disease | |
|---------------|----------|-----|
| | No (ref) | Yes |
| Level 1 (ref) | a | b |
| Level 2 | c | d |

Level 3 e f

This function expects the following table structure for rate ratios:

| | counts | person-time |
|-----------------|--------|-------------|
| exposed=0 (ref) | n00 | t01 |
| exposed=1 | n10 | t11 |
| exposed=2 | n20 | t21 |
| exposed=3 | n30 | t31 |

If the table you want to provide to this function is not in the preferred form, just use the `rev` option to "reverse" the rows, columns, or both. If you are providing categorical variables (factors or character vectors), the first level of the "exposure" variable is treated as the reference. However, you can set the reference of a factor using the `relevel` function.

Likewise, each row of the `rx2` table is compared to the exposure reference level and test of independence two-sided *p* values are calculated using fisher exact, mid-*p* exact, or normal approximation method.

Value

| | |
|-------------------------|---|
| <code>tab</code> | primary table |
| <code>measure</code> | odds ratio, risk ratio, or rate ratio |
| <code>conf.level</code> | confidence level |
| <code>pvalue</code> | <i>p</i> value method |
| <code>x</code> | data input |
| <code>data</code> | data with margin totals |
| <code>p.exposed</code> | proportion exposed |
| <code>p.outcome</code> | proportion outcome |
| <code>p.value</code> | <i>p</i> value |
| <code>correction</code> | TRUE if Yate's continuity correction was used |

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>

References

Nicolas P Jewell, Statistics for Epidemiology, 1st Edition, 2004, Chapman & Hall
 Kenneth J. Rothman and Sander Greenland (1998), Modern Epidemiology, Lippincott-Raven Publishers
 Kenneth J. Rothman (2002), Epidemiology: An Introduction, Oxford University Press

See Also

[riskratio](#), [oddsratio](#), [rateratio](#)

Examples

```
r243 <- matrix(c(12,2,7,9), 2, 2)
dimnames(r243) <- list(Diarrhea = c("Yes", "No"),
                      "Antibody level" = c("Low", "High")
                      )
r243
r243b <- t(r243)
r243b
epitab(r243, rev = "b", verbose = TRUE)
epitab(r243, method="riskratio", rev = "b", verbose = TRUE)
epitab(matrix(c(41, 15, 28010, 19017),2,2)[2:1,],
        method="rateratio", verbose = TRUE)
```

epitable

Create r x c contingency table (exposure levels vs. binary outcome)

Description

Create r x c contingency table for r exposure levels and c outcome levels

Usage

```
epitable(..., ncol =2, byrow = TRUE,
        rev = c("neither", "rows", "columns", "both"))
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|--|
| ... | see details |
| ncol | number of columns = 2 (default) when a table is constructed from a vector or sequence of numbers |
| byrow | Default is TRUE and single vector or collection of numbers is read in row-wise. Set to FALSE to read in column-wise. |
| rev | reverse order of "rows", "columns", "both", or "neither" (default) |

Details

Creates r x 2 table with r exposure levels and 2 outcome levels (No vs. Yes). Arguments can be one of the following:

- (1) four or more integers that be converted into r x 2 table (the number of integers must be even),
- (2) two categorical vectors (1st vector is exposure with r levels, 2nd vector is outcome with 2 levels),
- (3) r x 2 contingency table, or

(4) single vector that be converted into $r \times 2$ table (the number of integers must be even).

The contingency table created by this function is usually used for additional analyses, for example, the `epi tab` function.

Value

Returns $r \times 2$ contingency table, usually for additional analyses.

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>

References

none

See Also

[epitable](#)

Examples

```
## single vector
dat <- c(88, 20, 555, 347)
epitable(dat)

## 4 or more integers
epitable(1,2,3,4,5,6)

## single matrix
epitable(matrix(1:6, 3, 2))

## two categorical vectors
exposure <- factor(sample(c("Low", "Med", "High"), 100, rep=TRUE),
                  levels=c("Low", "Med", "High"))
outcome <- factor(sample(c("No", "Yes"), 100, rep=TRUE))
epitable(exposure, outcome)
epitable("Exposure"=exposure, "Disease"=outcome)

## reversing row and/or column order
zz <- epitable("Exposure Level"=exposure, "Disease"=outcome)
zz
epitable(zz, rev = "r")
epitable(zz, rev = "c")
epitable(zz, rev = "b")
```

| | |
|--------------|--|
| expand.table | <i>Expand contingency table into individual-level data set</i> |
|--------------|--|

Description

Expands contingency table or array into individual-level data set.

Usage

```
expand.table(x)
```

Arguments

x table or array with `dimnames(x)` and `names(dimnames(x))`

Details

For educational purposes, one may want to convert a multi-dimensional contingency table into an individual-level data frame. In R, multi-dimensional contingency tables are represented by arrays. An array can be created using the `array` command, or the `table` command with 3 or more vectors (usually fields from a data frame).

It is this array, `x`, that is processed by `expand.table`. In order to generate a data frame, `expand.table` needs to process the field names and the possible values for each field. The array `x` must have dimension names [i.e., `dimnames(x)`] and field names [i.e., `names(dimnames(x))`]. The `expand.table` function converts `names(dimnames(x))` to field names and the `dimnames(x)` to factor levels for each field. Study the examples.

An `fTable` object, say `fTab`, can be expanded using `expand.table(as.table(fTab))`.

Study the Titanic example to compare how a data frame can contain either individual-level data or group-level data.

Value

Returns an individual-level data frame

Note

Visit <http://www.epitools.net> for the latest.

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>; Daniel Wollschlaeger, <dwooll@psychologie.uni-kiel.de>, <http://www.uni-kiel.de/psychologie/dwooll/>

References

none

See Also[expand.grid](#)**Examples**

```
##Creating array using 'array' function and expanding it
tab <- array(1:8, c(2, 2, 2))
dimnames(tab) <- list(c("No","Yes"), c("No","Yes"), c("No","Yes"))
names(dimnames(tab)) <- c("Exposure", "Disease", "Confounder")
tab
df <- expand.table(tab)
df

##Creating array using 'table' function and expanding it
tab2 <- table(Exposure = df$Exp, Disease = df$Dis, Confounder = df$Conf)
expand.table(tab2)

##Expanding ftable object
ftab2 <- ftable(tab2)
ftab2
expand.table(as.table(ftab2))

##Convert Titanic data into individual-level data frame
data(Titanic)
expand.table(Titanic)[1:20,]

##Convert Titanic data into group-level data frame
as.data.frame(Titanic)
```

expected

Expected values in a table

Description

Assuming independence, calculates expected values in a matrix or table.

Usage

```
expected(x)
```

Arguments

x is a matrix or table

Details

Assuming independence, calculates expected values in a matrix or table.

Value

expected values

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>

References

Steve Selvin (2001), *Epidemiologic Analysis: A Case-Oriented Approach*, Oxford University Press

See Also

See also [margin.table](#)

Examples

```
##From Selvin, 2001, p.2
##year = year of birth
##one+ = one or more congenital defects
##one = one congenital defect
dat <- c(369, 460, 434, 434, 506, 487, 521, 518, 526, 488,
        605, 481, 649, 477, 733, 395, 688, 348)

##observed
oi <- matrix(dat, nrow =2)
colnames(oi) <- 1983:1991
rownames(oi) <- c("one+", "one")

##expected
ei <- expected(oi)

##Pearson chi-square test
chi2.T <- sum((oi - ei)^2/ei)
pchisq(q = chi2.T, df = 8, lower.tail = FALSE)
```

julian2date

Convert a julian date into standard a date format

Description

Convert a julian date into a standard calendar date format

Usage

```
julian2date(x)
```

Arguments

x julian date; that is, the number of days since day 0 (default is 1970-01-01)

Details

In R, the `julian` function converts a date-time object into a Julian date: the number of day since day 0 (default is 1970-01-01). However, there is no function, without loading another package, that converts a Julian date back into a date object. The `julian2date` function does this conversion.

Value

Return standard calendar date format.

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>

References

none

See Also

[format.Date](#), [weekdays](#)

Examples

```
mydates <- c("1/1/04", "1/2/04", "1/7/04", "1/14/04", "8/18/04");
mydates <- as.Date(mydates, format = "%m/%d/%y")
mydates
myjulian <- julian(mydates)
myjulian
julian2date(myjulian)
```

`kapmeier`*Implements product-limit (Kaplan-Meier) method*

Description

Implements product-limit (Kaplan-Meier) method for time-to-event data with censoring.

Usage

```
kapmeier(time, status)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------------------|--|
| <code>time</code> | numeric vector with individual observation times |
| <code>status</code> | integer vector indicating status at the end of the observation time: 1 = event, 0 = censored |

Details

This function implements the product-limit method for estimating survival probability for time-to-event data with censoring:

$$S(t) = \text{product}[(n_j - d_j) / n_j] \text{ for all } t_j \leq t,$$

where t_j are event times (i.e., times at which one or more events occur), n_j are the number at risk at time t_j (by convention, subjects censored at time t_j are considered at-risk and included in n_j), and d_j are the number of events at time t_j .

A primary purpose of this function was to demonstrate the use of available R functions to implement a simple statistical method. For example, `kapmeier` uses `sort`, `order`, `duplicated`, `tapply`, `unique`, `cumprod`, `cbind`, and `dimnames`. Studying this function carefully helps one understand and appreciate the utility of R functions to implement simple methods.

For serious survival analysis load the `survival` package. The `survfit` function in this package implements the product-limit method and much more. See examples.

Value

Returns an individual-level data frame

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>

References

Selvin S. Statistical Analysis of Epidemiologic Data (Monographs in Epidemiology and Biostatistics, V. 35). Oxford University Press; 3rd edition (May 1, 2004)

See Also

See also [survfit](#)

Examples

```
##Product-limit method using 'kapmeier' function
tt <- c(1,17,20,9,24,16,2,13,10,3)
ss <- c(1,1,1,1,0,0,0,1,0,1)
round(kapmeier(tt, ss), 3)
```

oddsratio

Odds ratio estimation and confidence intervals

Description

Calculates odds ratio by median-unbiased estimation (mid-p), conditional maximum likelihood estimation (Fisher), unconditional maximum likelihood estimation (Wald), and small sample adjustment (small). Confidence intervals are calculated using exact methods (mid-p and Fisher), normal approximation (Wald), and normal approximation with small sample adjustment (small).

Usage

```
oddsratio(x, y = NULL,
          method = c("midp", "fisher", "wald", "small"),
          conf.level = 0.95,
          rev = c("neither", "rows", "columns", "both"),
          correction = FALSE,
          verbose = FALSE)
oddsratio.midp(x, y = NULL,
               conf.level = 0.95,
               rev = c("neither", "rows", "columns", "both"),
               correction = FALSE,
               verbose = FALSE,
               interval = c(0, 1000))
oddsratio.fisher(x, y = NULL,
                 conf.level = 0.95,
                 rev = c("neither", "rows", "columns", "both"),
                 correction = FALSE,
                 verbose = FALSE)
oddsratio.wald(x, y = NULL,
               conf.level = 0.95,
               rev = c("neither", "rows", "columns", "both"),
```

```

correction = FALSE,
verbose = FALSE)
oddsratio.small(x, y = NULL,
  conf.level = 0.95,
  rev = c("neither", "rows", "columns", "both"),
  correction = FALSE,
  verbose = FALSE)

```

Arguments

x input data can be one of the following: r x 2 table, vector of numbers from a contingency table (will be transformed into r x 2 table in row-wise order), or single factor or character vector that will be combined with y into a table.

y single factor or character vector that will be combined with x into a table (default is NULL)

method method for calculating odds ratio and confidence interval

conf.level confidence level (default is 0.95)

rev reverse order of "rows", "columns", "both", or "neither" (default)

correction set to TRUE for Yate's continuity correction (default is FALSE)

verbose set to TRUE to return more detailed results (default is FALSE)

interval interval for the [uniroot](#) that finds the odds ratio median-unbiased estimate and mid-p exact confidence interval for `oddsratio.midp`

... passes optional arguments to [tab2by2.test](#) for calculating tests of independence (p values): adding `correction = TRUE` implements Yate's continuity correction (default is FALSE), and adding `replicates = n` where n is an integer specifying the number of iterations (default is 2000) of the Monte Carlo simulation method of calculating p values.

Details

Calculates odds ratio by median-unbiased estimation (mid-p), conditional maximum likelihood estimation (Fisher), unconditional maximum likelihood estimation (Wald), and small sample adjustment (small). Confidence intervals are calculated using exact methods (mid-p and Fisher), normal approximation (Wald), and normal approximation with small sample adjustment (small).

This function expects the following table structure:

| | disease=0 | disease=1 |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|
| exposed=0 (ref) | n00 | n01 |
| exposed=1 | n10 | n11 |
| exposed=2 | n20 | n21 |
| exposed=3 | n30 | n31 |

The reason for this is because each level of exposure is compared to the reference level.

If you are providing a 2x2 table the following table is preferred:

| | | |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|
| | disease=0 | disease=1 |
| exposed=0 (ref) | n00 | n01 |
| exposed=1 | n10 | n11 |

however, for odds ratios from 2x2 tables, the following table is equivalent:

| | | |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | disease=1 | disease=0 |
| exposed=1 | n11 | n10 |
| exposed=0 | n01 | n00 |

If the table you want to provide to this function is not in the preferred form, just use the `rev` option to "reverse" the rows, columns, or both. If you are providing categorical variables (factors or character vectors), the first level of the "exposure" variable is treated as the reference. However, you can set the reference of a factor using the `relevel` function.

Likewise, each row of the `rx2` table is compared to the exposure reference level and test of independence two-sided `p` values are calculated using mid-`p` exact, Fisher's Exact, Monte Carlo simulation, and the chi-square test.

Value

| | |
|-------------------------|--|
| <code>x</code> | table that was used in analysis (<code>verbose = TRUE</code>) |
| <code>data</code> | same table as <code>x</code> but with marginal totals |
| <code>p.exposed</code> | proportions exposed (<code>verbose = TRUE</code>) |
| <code>p.outcome</code> | proportions experienced outcome (<code>verbose = TRUE</code>) |
| <code>measure</code> | risk ratio and confidence interval |
| <code>conf.level</code> | confidence level used (<code>verbose = TRUE</code>) |
| <code>p.value</code> | <code>p</code> value for test of independence |
| <code>replicates</code> | number of replicates used in Monte Carlo simulation <code>p</code> value (<code>verbose = TRUE</code>) |
| <code>correction</code> | logical specifying if continuity correction was used |

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>

References

- Kenneth J. Rothman and Sander Greenland (1998), *Modern Epidemiology*, Lippincott-Raven Publishers
- Kenneth J. Rothman (2002), *Epidemiology: An Introduction*, Oxford University Press
- Nicolas P. Jewell (2004), *Statistics for Epidemiology*, 1st Edition, 2004, Chapman & Hall, pp. 73-81

See Also

[tab2by2.test](#), [riskratio](#), [rateratio](#), [ormidp.test](#), [epitab](#)

Examples

```
##Case-control study assessing whether exposure to tap water
##is associated with cryptosporidiosis among AIDS patients

tapw <- c("Lowest", "Intermediate", "Highest")
outc <- c("Case", "Control")
dat <- matrix(c(2, 29, 35, 64, 12, 6),3,2,byrow=TRUE)
dimnames(dat) <- list("Tap water exposure" = tapw, "Outcome" = outc)
oddsratio(dat, rev="c")
oddsratio.midp(dat, rev="c")
oddsratio.fisher(dat, rev="c")
oddsratio.wald(dat, rev="c")
oddsratio.small(dat, rev="c")
```

or.midp

Odds ratio estimation and confidence intervals using mid-p method

Description

Calculates odds ratio by median-unbiased estimation and exact confidence interval using the mid-p method (Rothman 1998).

Usage

```
or.midp(x, conf.level = 0.95, byrow = TRUE, interval = c(0, 1000))
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|---|
| x | input data can be 2x2 matrix or vector of length 4 |
| conf.level | confidence level (default is 0.95) |
| byrow | integer vectors are read in row-wise (default) |
| interval | interval for the uniroot that finds the odds ratio median-unbiased estimate and mid-p exact confidence interval for <code>oddsratio.midp</code> |

Details

Calculates odds ratio by median-unbiased estimation and exact confidence interval using the mid-p method (Rothman 1998, p. 251).

This function expects the following 2x2 table struture:

| | exposed | not exposed |
|------------|---------|-------------|
| disease | a1 | a0 |
| no disease | b1 | b0 |

or a numeric vector of the form `c(a1, a0, b1, b0)`.

This function is used by `oddsratio.midp`.

Value

| | |
|-------------------------|---|
| <code>x</code> | table that was used in analysis |
| <code>data</code> | same table as <code>x</code> but with marginal totals |
| <code>estimate</code> | median unbiased odds ratio |
| <code>conf.level</code> | confidence level used |

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>

References

Kenneth J. Rothman and Sander Greenland (1998), Modern Epidemiology, Lippincott-Raven Publishers

See Also

[oddsratio](#)

Examples

```
##rothman p. 243
z1 <- matrix(c(12,2,7,9),2,2,byrow=TRUE)
z2 <- z1[2:1,2:1]
##jewell p. 79
z3 <- matrix(c(347,555,20,88),2,2,byrow=TRUE)
z4 <- z3[2:1,2:1]
or.midp(z1)
or.midp(z2)
or.midp(z3)
or.midp(z4)
```

| | |
|-------------|---|
| ormidp.test | <i>odds ratio test for independence (p value) for a 2x2 table</i> |
|-------------|---|

Description

Test for independence using the mid-p method (Rothman 1998)

Usage

```
ormidp.test(a1, a0, b1, b0, or = 1)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----|--|
| a1 | number of exposed cases |
| a0 | number of unexposed cases |
| b1 | number of exposed noncases (controls) |
| b0 | number of unexposed noncases (controls) |
| or | odds ratio reference value (default is no association) |

Details

Test for independence using the mid-p method (Rothman 1998)

Value

| | |
|-------------|-------------------|
| \$one.sided | one-sided p value |
| \$two.sided | two-sided p value |

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>

References

Kenneth J. Rothman and Sander Greenland (1998), *Modern Epidemiology*, Lippincott-Raven Publishers
Kenneth J. Rothman (2002), *Epidemiology: An Introduction*, Oxford University Press
Nicolas P. Jewell (2004), *Statistics for Epidemiology*, 1st Edition, 2004, Chapman & Hall, pp. 73-81

See Also

[tab2by2.test](#), [oddsratio](#), [riskratio](#)

Examples

```
##rothman p. 243
ormidp.test(12,2,7,9)

##jewell p. 79
ormidp.test(347,555,20,88)
```

oswego

Outbreak of Gastrointestinal Illness in Oswego County, 1940

Description

On April 19, 1940, the local health officer in the village of Lycoming, Oswego County, New York, reported the occurrence of an outbreak of acute gastrointestinal illness to the District Health Officer in Syracuse. Dr. A. M. Rubin, epidemiologist-in-training, was assigned to conduct an investigation.

When Dr. Rubin arrived in the field, he learned from the health officer that all persons known to be ill had attended a church supper held on the previous evening, April 18. Family members who did not attend the church supper did not become ill. Accordingly, Dr. Rubin focused the investigation on the supper. He completed Interviews with 75 of the 80 persons known to have attended, collecting information about the occurrence and time of onset of symptoms, and foods consumed. Of the 75 persons interviewed, 46 persons reported gastrointestinal illness.

The onset of illness in all cases was acute, characterized chiefly by nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, and abdominal pain. None of the ill persons reported having an elevated temperature; all recovered within 24 to 30 hours. Approximately 20 physicians. No fecal specimens were obtained for bacteriologic examination.

The supper was held in the basement of the village church. Foods were contributed by numerous members of the congregation. The supper began at 6:00 p.m. and continued until 11:00 p.m. Food was spread out on a table and consumed over a period of several hours. Data regarding onset of illness and food eaten or water drunk by each of the 75 persons interviewed are provided in the attached line listing (Oswego dataset). The approximate time of eating supper was collected for only about half the persons who had gastrointestinal illness.

Usage

```
##data(oswego)
```

Format

- `id` subject identification number
- `age` age
- `sex` sex: F = Female, M = Male
- `meal.time` meal time on April 18th
- `ill` developed illness: Y = Yes N = No
- `onset.date` onset date: "4/18" = April 18th, "4/19" = April 19th

- onset.time onset time: HH:MM AM/PM
- baked.ham consumed item: Y = Yes N = No
- spinach consumed item: Y = Yes N = No
- mashed.potato consumed item: Y = Yes N = No
- cabbage.salad consumed item: Y = Yes N = No
- jello rolls consumed item: Y = Yes N = No
- brown.bread consumed item: Y = Yes N = No
- milk consumed item: Y = Yes N = No
- coffee consumed item: Y = Yes N = No
- water consumed item: Y = Yes N = No
- cakes consumed item: Y = Yes N = No
- vanilla.ice.cream consumed item: Y = Yes N = No
- chocolate.ice.cream consumed item: Y = Yes N = No
- fruit.salad consumed item: Y = Yes N = No

Source

Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Epidemic Intelligence Service

References

Oswego: An Outbreak of Gastrointestinal Illness Following a Church Supper (updated 2003): *S. aureus* outbreak among church picnic attendees, 1940; the classic, straightforward outbreak investigation in a defined population. Training modules available at <http://www.cdc.gov/eis/casestudies/casestudyex.htm>.

pois.conf.int

Confidence intervals for Poisson counts or rates

Description

Calculates confidence intervals for Poisson counts or rates

Usage

```
pois.exact(x, pt = 1, conf.level = 0.95)
pois.daly(x, pt = 1, conf.level = 0.95)
pois.byar(x, pt = 1, conf.level = 0.95)
pois.approx(x, pt = 1, conf.level = 0.95)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|---|
| x | count or vector of counts |
| pt | person-time at risk (default = 1) or vector of person-times |
| conf.level | confidence level (default = 0.95) |

Details

These functions calculate confidence intervals for a Poisson count or rate using an exact method (`pois.exact`), gamma distribution (`pois.daly`), Byar's formula (`pois.byar`), or normal approximation to the Poisson distribution (`pois.approx`).

To calculate an exact confidence interval for a crude rate (count divided by person-time at risk), set `pt` equal to the person-time at risk. Both `x` and `pt` can be either a number or a vector of numbers.

The `pois.daly` function gives essentially identical answers to the `pois.exact` function except when `x = 0`. When `x = 0`, for the upper confidence limit `pois.exact` returns 3.689 and `pois.daly` returns 2.996.

Value

This function returns a `n x 6` matrix with the following colnames:

| | |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <code>x</code> | Poisson count |
| <code>pt</code> | person-time at risk |
| <code>rate</code> | crude rate = x/pt |
| <code>lower</code> | lower confidence interval limit |
| <code>upper</code> | upper confidence interval limit |
| <code>conf.level</code> | confidence level |

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>; with contributions by Francis Dimzon, <fdimzon@yahoo.com>; with contributions by Scott Nabity, <scott.nabity@sfdph.org>

References

Tomas Aragon, et al. Applied Epidemiology Using R. Available at <http://medepi.com>

Leslie Day (1992), "Simple SAS macros for the calculation of exact binomial and Poisson confidence limits." *Comput Biol Med*, 22(5):351-361

Kenneth Rothman (2002), *Epidemiology: An Introduction*, Oxford University Press, 1st Edition.

See Also

[binom.exact](#)

Examples

```

pois.exact(1:10)
pois.exact(1:10, 101:110)
pois.daly(1:10)
pois.daly(1:10, 101:110)
pois.byar(1:10)
pois.byar(1:10, 101:110)
pois.approx(1:10)
pois.approx(1:10, 101:110)

```

| | |
|---------------|---|
| rate2by2.test | <i>Comparative tests of independence in rx2 rate tables</i> |
|---------------|---|

Description

Tests for independence where each row of the rx2 table is compared to the exposure reference level and test of independence two-sided p values are calculated using mid-p xexact, and normal approximation.

Usage

```

rate2by2.test(x, y = NULL, rr = 1,
              rev = c("neither", "rows", "columns", "both"))

```

Arguments

| | |
|-----|--|
| x | input data can be one of the following: r x 2 table where first column contains disease counts and second column contains person time at risk; or a single numeric vector for counts followed by person time at risk |
| y | vector of person-time at risk; if provided, x must be a vector of disease counts |
| rr | rate ratio reference value (default is no association) |
| rev | reverse order of "rows", "columns", "both", or "neither" (default) |

Details

Tests for independence where each row of the rx2 table is compared to the exposure reference level and test of independence two-sided p values are calculated using mid-p xexact, and normal approximation.

This function expects the following table structure:

| | counts | person-time |
|-----------------|--------|-------------|
| exposed=0 (ref) | n00 | t01 |
| exposed=1 | n10 | t11 |
| exposed=2 | n20 | t21 |
| exposed=3 | n30 | t31 |

The reason for this is because each level of exposure is compared to the reference level.

If the table you want to provide to this function is not in the preferred form, just use the `rev` option to "reverse" the rows, columns, or both. If you are providing categorical variables (factors or character vectors), the first level of the "exposure" variable is treated as the reference. However, you can set the reference of a factor using the `relevel` function.

Likewise, each row of the `rx2` table is compared to the exposure reference level and test of independence two-sided p values are calculated using mid-p exact method and normal approximation.

This function can be used to construct a p value function by testing the MUE to the null hypothesis ($\pi=1$) and alternative hypotheses (π not equal to 1) to calculate two-side mid-p exact p values. For more detail, see Rothman.

Value

| | |
|----------------------|----------------------------------|
| <code>x</code> | table that was used in analysis |
| <code>p.value</code> | p value for test of independence |

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>

References

Kenneth J. Rothman and Sander Greenland (2008), Modern Epidemiology, Lippincott Williams and Wilkins Publishers

Kenneth J. Rothman (2002), Epidemiology: An Introduction, Oxford University Press

See Also

[rateratio](#),

Examples

```
##Examples from Rothman 1998, p. 238
bc <- c(Unexposed = 15, Exposed = 41)
pyears <- c(Unexposed = 19017, Exposed = 28010)
dd <- matrix(c(41,15,28010,19017),2,2)
dimnames(dd) <- list(Exposure=c("Yes","No"), Outcome=c("BC","PYears"))
##midp
rate2by2.test(bc,pyears)
rate2by2.test(dd, rev = "r")
rate2by2.test(matrix(c(15, 41, 19017, 28010),2,2))
rate2by2.test(c(15, 41, 19017, 28010))
```

rateratio

*Rate ratio estimation and confidence intervals***Description**

Calculates rate ratio by median-unbiased estimation (mid-p), and unconditional maximum likelihood estimation (Wald). Confidence intervals are calculated using exact methods (mid-p), and normal approximation (Wald).

Usage

```
rateratio(x, y = NULL,
          method = c("midp", "wald"),
          conf.level = 0.95,
          rev = c("neither", "rows", "columns", "both"),
          verbose = FALSE)
rateratio.midp(x, y = NULL,
               conf.level = 0.95,
               rev = c("neither", "rows", "columns", "both"),
               verbose = FALSE)
rateratio.wald(x, y = NULL,
               conf.level = 0.95,
               rev = c("neither", "rows", "columns", "both"),
               verbose = FALSE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|--|
| x | input data can be one of the following: r x 2 table where first column contains disease counts and second column contains person time at risk; a single numeric vector of counts followed by person time at risk; a single numeric vector of counts combined with y which would be a numeric vector of corresponding person time at risk |
| y | numeric vector of person-time at risk; if provided, x must be a numeric vector of disease counts |
| method | method for calculating rate ratio and confidence interval |
| conf.level | confidence level (default is 0.95) |
| rev | reverse order of "rows", "columns", "both", or "neither" (default) |
| verbose | set to TRUE to return more detailed results (default is FALSE) |

Details

Calculates rate ratio by median-unbiased estimation (mid-p), and unconditional maximum likelihood estimation (Wald). Confidence intervals are calculated using exact methods (mid-p), and normal approximation (Wald).

This function expects the following table struture:

| | counts | person-time |
|-----------------|--------|-------------|
| exposed=0 (ref) | n00 | t01 |
| exposed=1 | n10 | t11 |
| exposed=2 | n20 | t21 |
| exposed=3 | n30 | t31 |

The reason for this is because each level of exposure is compared to the reference level.

If the table you want to provide to this function is not in the preferred form, just use the `rev` option to "reverse" the rows, columns, or both. If you are providing categorical variables (factors or character vectors), the first level of the "exposure" variable is treated as the reference. However, you can set the reference of a factor using the `relevel` function.

Likewise, each row of the `rx2` table is compared to the exposure reference level and test of independence two-sided p values are calculated using mid-p exact method and normal approximation (Wald).

Value

| | |
|-------------------------|---|
| <code>x</code> | table that was used in analysis (<code>verbose = TRUE</code>) |
| <code>data</code> | same table as <code>x</code> but with marginal totals |
| <code>measure</code> | rate ratio and confidence interval |
| <code>conf.level</code> | confidence level used (<code>verbose = TRUE</code>) |
| <code>p.value</code> | p value for test of independence |

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Rita Shiau (original author), <rita.shiau@sfdph.org>; Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>

References

- Kenneth J. Rothman and Sander Greenland (1998), *Modern Epidemiology*, Lippincott-Raven Publishers
- Kenneth J. Rothman (2002), *Epidemiology: An Introduction*, Oxford University Press

See Also

[rate2by2.test](#), [oddsratio](#), [riskratio](#), [epitab](#)

Examples

```
##Examples from Rothman 1998, p. 238
bc <- c(Unexposed = 15, Exposed = 41)
pyears <- c(Unexposed = 19017, Exposed = 28010)
dd <- matrix(c(41,15,28010,19017),2,2)
dimnames(dd) <- list(Exposure=c("Yes","No"), Outcome=c("BC", "PYears"))
##midp
rateratio(bc,pyears)
rateratio(dd, rev = "r")
rateratio(matrix(c(15, 41, 19017, 28010),2,2))
rateratio(c(15, 41, 19017, 28010))

##midp
rateratio.midp(bc,pyears)
rateratio.midp(dd, rev = "r")
rateratio.midp(matrix(c(15, 41, 19017, 28010),2,2))
rateratio.midp(c(15, 41, 19017, 28010))

##wald
rateratio.wald(bc,pyears)
rateratio.wald(dd, rev = "r")
rateratio.wald(matrix(c(15, 41, 19017, 28010),2,2))
rateratio.wald(c(15, 41, 19017, 28010))
```

ratetable

Create r x 2 count and person-time table for calculating rates

Description

Create r x 2 count and person-time table for calculating rates

Usage

```
ratetable(..., byrow = FALSE,
          rev = c("neither", "rows", "columns", "both"))
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|--|
| ... | see details |
| byrow | Default is TRUE and single vector or collection of numbers is read in row-wise. Set to FALSE to read in column-wise. |
| rev | reverse order of "rows", "columns", "both", or "neither" (default) |

Details

Creates $r \times 2$ table with r exposure levels and 2 columns (counts and person-time exposed). Arguments can be one of the following:

(1) $r \times 2$ table of the following form:

| Exposure | Outcome | |
|-------------|---------|--------|
| | cases | pyears |
| E = 0 (ref) | a | PT0 |
| E = 1 | b | PT1 |

(2) Two numeric vectors: 1st should be vector of counts, and the 2nd vector should be vector of person-times at risk. For example,

```
cases <- c(a, b)
pyears <- c(PT0, PT1)
```

(3) ≥ 4 numbers in the following order: a, PT0, b, PT1

(4) One numeric vector of the following form: c(a, PT0, b, PT1)

Value

Returns $r \times 2$ rate table, usually for additional analyses.

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>

References

none

See Also

[epitable](#)

Examples

```
##Breast cancer cases from radiation treatment for tuberculosis
##Rothman 1998, p. 238
bc0 <- 15
bc1 <- 41
py0 <- 19017
py1 <- 28010
```

```

##4 numbers
ratetable(bc0, py0, bc1, py1)

##1 vector
dat <- c(bc0, py0, bc1, py1)
ratetable(dat)

##2 vectors
cases <- c(bc0, bc1)
pyears <- c(py0, py1)
ratetable(bc.cases = cases, person.years = pyears)

##1 matrix
r238 <- matrix(c(41, 28010, 15, 19017), 2, 2)
dimnames(r238) <- list(c("BC cases", "Person-years"),
                      "Radiation" = c("Yes", "No"))

r238
r238b <- t(r238)
r238b
ratetable(r238b, rev = "r")

```

 riskratio

Risk ratio estimation and confidence intervals

Description

Calculates risk ratio by unconditional maximum likelihood estimation (Wald), and small sample adjustment (small). Confidence intervals are calculated using normal approximation (Wald), and normal approximation with small sample adjustment (small), and bootstrap method (boot).

Usage

```

riskratio(x, y = NULL,
          method = c("wald", "small", "boot"),
          conf.level = 0.95,
          rev = c("neither", "rows", "columns", "both"),
          correction = FALSE,
          verbose = FALSE,
          replicates = 5000)
riskratio.wald(x, y = NULL,
               conf.level = 0.95,
               rev = c("neither", "rows", "columns", "both"),
               correction = FALSE,
               verbose = FALSE)
riskratio.small(x, y = NULL,
                conf.level = 0.95,
                rev = c("neither", "rows", "columns", "both"),

```

```

      correction = FALSE,
      verbose = FALSE)
riskratio.boot(x, y = NULL,
              conf.level = 0.95,
              rev = c("neither", "rows", "columns", "both"),
              correction = FALSE,
              verbose = FALSE,
              replicates = 5000)

```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|---|
| x | input data can be one of the following: r x 2 table, vector of numbers from a contingency table (will be transformed into r x 2 table in row-wise order), or single factor or character vector that will be combined with y into a table. |
| y | single factor or character vector that will be combined with x into a table (default is NULL) |
| method | method for calculating risk ratio and confidence interval |
| conf.level | confidence level (default is 0.95) |
| rev | reverse order of "rows", "columns", "both", or "neither" (default) |
| correction | set to TRUE for Yate's continuity correction (default is FALSE) |
| verbose | set to TRUE to return more detailed results (default is FALSE) |
| replicates | Number of bootstrap replicates (default = 5000) |

Details

Calculates risk ratio by unconditional maximum likelihood estimation (Wald), and small sample adjustment (small). Confidence intervals are calculated using normal approximation (Wald), and normal approximation with small sample adjustment (small), and bootstrap method (boot).

This function expects the following table structure:

| | disease=0 | disease=1 |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|
| exposed=0 (ref) | n00 | n01 |
| exposed=1 | n10 | n11 |
| exposed=2 | n20 | n21 |
| exposed=3 | n30 | n31 |

The reason for this is because each level of exposure is compared to the reference level.

If you are providing a 2x2 table the following table is preferred:

| | disease=0 | disease=1 |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|
| exposed=0 (ref) | n00 | n01 |
| exposed=1 | n10 | n11 |

If the table you want to provide to this function is not in the preferred form, just use the `rev` option to "reverse" the rows, columns, or both. If you are providing categorical variables (factors or character vectors), the first level of the "exposure" variable is treated as the reference. However, you can set the reference of a factor using the `relevel` function.

Likewise, each row of the `rx2` table is compared to the exposure reference level and test of independence two-sided p values are calculated using Fisher's Exact, Monte Carlo simulation, and the chi-square test.

Value

| | |
|------------------------------|---|
| <code>x</code> | table that was used in analysis (<code>verbose = TRUE</code>) |
| <code>data</code> | same table as <code>x</code> but with marginal totals |
| <code>p.exposed</code> | proportions exposed (<code>verbose = TRUE</code>) |
| <code>p.outcome</code> | proportions experienced outcome (<code>verbose = TRUE</code>) |
| <code>measure</code> | risk ratio and confidence interval |
| <code>conf.level</code> | confidence level used (<code>verbose = TRUE</code>) |
| <code>boot.replicates</code> | number of replicates used in bootstrap estimation of confidence intervals (<code>verbose = TRUE</code>) |
| <code>p.value</code> | p value for test of independence |
| <code>mc.replicates</code> | number of replicates used in Monte Carlo simulation p value (<code>verbose = TRUE</code>) |
| <code>correction</code> | logical specifying if continuity correction was used |

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>

References

- Kenneth J. Rothman and Sander Greenland (1998), *Modern Epidemiology*, Lippincott-Raven Publishers
- Kenneth J. Rothman (2002), *Epidemiology: An Introduction*, Oxford University Press
- Nicolas P. Jewell (2004), *Statistics for Epidemiology*, 1st Edition, 2004, Chapman & Hall, pp. 73-81
- Steve Selvin (1998), *Modern Applied Biostatistical Methods Using S-Plus*, 1st Edition, Oxford University Press

See Also

[tab2by2.test](#), [oddsratio](#), [rateratio](#), [epitab](#)

Examples

```
##Case-control study assessing whether exposure to tap water
##is associated with cryptosporidiosis among AIDS patients

tapw <- c("Lowest", "Intermediate", "Highest")
outc <- c("Case", "Control")
dat <- matrix(c(2, 29, 35, 64, 12, 6),3,2,byrow=TRUE)
dimnames(dat) <- list("Tap water exposure" = tapw, "Outcome" = outc)
riskratio(dat, rev="c")
riskratio.wald(dat, rev="c")
riskratio.small(dat, rev="c")

##Selvin 1998, p. 289
sel <- matrix(c(178, 79, 1411, 1486), 2, 2)
dimnames(sel) <- list("Behavior type" = c("Type A", "Type B"),
                    "Outcome" = c("CHD", "No CHD")
                    )
riskratio.boot(sel, rev = "b")
riskratio.boot(sel, rev = "b", verbose = TRUE)
riskratio(sel, rev = "b", method = "boot")
```

 tab2by2.test

Comparative tests of independence in rx2 contingency tables

Description

Tests for independence where each row of the rx2 table is compared to the exposure reference level and test of independence two-sided p values are calculated using mid-p exact, Fisher's Exact, and the chi-square test.

Usage

```
tab2by2.test(x, y = NULL,
             correction = FALSE,
             rev = c("neither", "rows", "columns", "both"))
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|---|
| x | input data can be one of the following: r x 2 table, vector of numbers from a contingency table (will be transformed into r x 2 table in row-wise order), or single factor or character vector that will be combined with y into a table. |
| y | single factor or character vector that will be combined with x into a table (default is NULL) |
| correction | set to TRUE for Yate's continuity correction (default is FALSE) |
| rev | reverse order of "rows", "columns", "both", or "neither" (default) |

Details

Tests for independence where each row of the rx2 table is compared to the exposure reference level and test of independence two-sided p values are calculated using mid-p exact, Fisher's Exact, and the chi-square test.

This function expects the following table structure:

| | disease=0 | disease=1 |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|
| exposed=0 (ref) | n00 | n01 |
| exposed=1 | n10 | n11 |
| exposed=2 | n20 | n21 |
| exposed=3 | n30 | n31 |

The reason for this is because each level of exposure is compared to the reference level.

If you are providing a 2x2 table order does not matter:

If the table you want to provide to this function is not in the preferred form, just use the `rev` option to "reverse" the rows, columns, or both. If you are providing categorical variables (factors or character vectors), the first level of the "exposure" variable is treated as the reference. However, you can set the reference of a factor using the `relevel` function.

Likewise, each row of the rx2 table is compared to the exposure reference level and test of independence two-sided p values are calculated using mid-p exact, Fisher's Exact, Monte Carlo simulation, and the chi-square test.

Value

| | |
|-------------------------|--|
| <code>x</code> | table that was used in analysis |
| <code>p.value</code> | p value for test of independence |
| <code>correction</code> | logical specifying if continuity correction was used |

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>

References

Kenneth J. Rothman and Sander Greenland (1998), Modern Epidemiology, Lippincott-Raven Publishers

Kenneth J. Rothman (2002), Epidemiology: An Introduction, Oxford University Press

Nicolas P. Jewell (2004), Statistics for Epidemiology, 1st Edition, 2004, Chapman & Hall, pp. 73-81

See Also

[oddsratio](#), [riskratio](#)

Examples

```
##Case-control study assessing whether exposure to tap water
##is associated with cryptosporidiosis among AIDS patients

tapw <- c("Lowest", "Intermediate", "Highest")
outc <- c("Case", "Control")
dat <- matrix(c(2, 29, 35, 64, 12, 6),3,2,byrow=TRUE)
dimnames(dat) <- list("Tap water exposure" = tapw, "Outcome" = outc)
tab2by2.test(dat, rev="c")
```

table.margins

Marginal totals of a table

Description

Calculates marginal totals of a matrix, table, or array.

Usage

```
table.margins(x)
```

Arguments

x is a matrix, table, or array

Details

Calculates marginal totals of a matrix, table, or array.

Value

Returns original object with marginal totals

Note

Visit <http://medepi.com> for the latest.

Author(s)

Tomas Aragon, <aragon@berkeley.edu>, <http://www.medepi.com>

References

none

See Also

See also [margin.table](#)

Examples

```
x <- matrix(1:4, 2, 2)
table.margins(x)
```

wcfgs

Western Collaborative Group Study data

Description

The Western Collaborative Group Study (WCGS), a prospective cohort study, recruited middle-aged men (ages 39 to 59) who were employees of 10 California companies and collected data on 3154 individuals during the years 1960-1961. These subjects were primarily selected to study the relationship between behavior pattern and the risk of coronary heart disease (CHD). A number of other risk factors were also measured to provide the best possible assessment of the CHD risk associated with behavior type. Additional variables collected include age, height, weight, systolic blood pressure, diastolic blood pressure, cholesterol, smoking, and corneal arcus.

Usage

```
##data(wcfgs)
```

Format

- id Subject ID:
- age0 Age: age in years
- height0 Height: height in inches
- weight0 Weight: weight in pounds
- sbp0 Systolic blood pressure: mm Hg
- dbp0 Diastolic blood pressure: mm Hg
- chol0 Cholesterol: mg/100 ml
- behpat0 Behavior pattern:
- ncigs0 Smoking: Cigarettes/day
- dibpat0 Dichotomous behavior pattern: 0 = Type B; 1 = Type A
- chd69 Coronary heart disease event: 0 = none; 1 = yes
- typechd to be done
- time169 Observation (follow up) time: Days
- arcus0 Corneal arcus: 0 = none; 1 = yes

Source

UC Berkeley School of Public Health

References

pending

wNV

West Nile Virus human cases reported in California, USA, as of December 14, 2004

Description

Public Health Surveillance data

Usage

##data(wNV)

Format

pending

Source

California Department of Health Services

References

pending

Index

- *Topic **chron**
 - as.hour, 6
 - as.month, 8
 - as.week, 10
 - epidate, 24
 - julian2date, 33
 - *Topic **color**
 - colorbrewer, 14
 - colors.plot, 16
 - *Topic **datasets**
 - oswego, 42
 - wcgs, 57
 - wnv, 58
 - *Topic **hplot**
 - epicurve, 17
 - *Topic **htest**
 - ormidp.test, 41
 - rate2by2.test, 45
 - tab2by2.test, 54
 - *Topic **manip**
 - epitable, 29
 - expand.table, 31
 - expected, 32
 - ratetable, 49
 - table.margins, 56
 - *Topic **models**
 - ageadjust.direct, 2
 - ageadjust.indirect, 4
 - epitab, 26
 - oddsratio, 36
 - or.midp, 39
 - rateratio, 47
 - riskratio, 51
 - *Topic **survival**
 - kapmeier, 35
 - *Topic **univar**
 - binom.conf.int, 13
 - pois.conf.int, 43
- ageadjust.indirect, 3, 4
 - as.Date, 8, 10, 12
 - as.hour, 6
 - as.month, 8, 8, 12
 - as.POSIXct, 7, 21
 - as.POSIXlt, 7, 21
 - as.week, 10, 10, 26

 - barplot, 22
 - binom.approx (binom.conf.int), 13
 - binom.conf.int, 13
 - binom.exact, 44
 - binom.exact (binom.conf.int), 13
 - binom.test, 14
 - binom.wilson (binom.conf.int), 13

 - colorbrewer, 14
 - colorbrewer.data, 17
 - colorbrewer.display, 17
 - colorbrewer.palette, 17
 - colors, 17
 - colors.matrix (colors.plot), 16
 - colors.plot, 15, 16

 - DateTimeClasses, 8, 10, 12, 26

 - epicurve, 17
 - epicurve.dates, 8, 10, 12
 - epidate, 24
 - epitab, 26, 39, 48, 53
 - epitable, 29, 30, 50
 - expand.grid, 32
 - expand.table, 31
 - expected, 32

 - format.Date, 26, 34

 - julian2date, 33

 - kapmeier, 35

margin.table, [33](#), [57](#)

oddsratio, [29](#), [36](#), [40](#), [41](#), [48](#), [53](#), [55](#)
oddsratio.midp, [40](#)
or.midp, [39](#)
ormidp.test, [39](#), [41](#)
oswego, [42](#)

pois.approx (pois.conf.int), [43](#)
pois.byar (pois.conf.int), [43](#)
pois.conf.int, [43](#)
pois.daly (pois.conf.int), [43](#)
pois.exact, [14](#)
pois.exact (pois.conf.int), [43](#)

rate2by2.test, [45](#), [48](#)
rateratio, [29](#), [39](#), [46](#), [47](#), [53](#)
ratetable, [49](#)
relevel, [28](#), [38](#), [46](#), [48](#), [53](#), [55](#)
riskratio, [29](#), [39](#), [41](#), [48](#), [51](#), [55](#)

strptime, [8](#), [10](#), [12](#), [22](#), [25](#), [26](#)
survfit, [36](#)

tab2by2.test, [37](#), [39](#), [41](#), [53](#), [54](#)
table.margins, [56](#)

uniroot, [37](#), [39](#)

wcgs, [57](#)
weekdays, [34](#)
wnv, [58](#)