

# Package ‘fragilityindex’

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fragility.index      *Fragility Index Calculation*

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### Description

Compute the fragility index for a dichotomous outcome, i.e. the number of flipped outcomes between cases and control it would take to make a significant-result non-significant.

### Usage

```
fragility.index(intervention_event, control_event, intervention_n, control_n,  
               conf.level = 0.95, verbose = FALSE, print.mat = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

intervention_event	Number of events in intervention group
control_event	Number of events in control group
intervention_n	Total number of patients in intervention group
control_n	Total number of patients in the control group
conf.level	Significance level
verbose	Logical indicating if function will return verbose results or only fragility index
print.mat	Logical indicating if 2x2 matrices should be printed for each iteration of algorithm

### Value

If verbose is FALSE, returns a list with fragility index. If verbose is TRUE, returns a list with p-values for each fragility index at each iteration of the algorithm.

### Examples

```
fragility.index(15, 5, 40, 40)
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logisticfragility	<i>Logistic Fragility Function</i>
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### Description

Compute the fragility of a coefficient in a logistic regression for dichotomous outcomes, i.e. the number of removed observations it would take to make a significant-result non-significant. Uses the `glm()` function from the stats package.

### Usage

```
logisticfragility(formula, data, covariate = "all.factors.default",  
  conf.level = 0.95, verbose = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

formula	Model formula which will be evaluated by <code>glm()</code>
data	Dataframe with values for model forma, passed to <code>glm()</code>
covariate	Vector of covariates to find fragility index for. Default is all covariates in formula
conf.level	Significance level
verbose	Logical indicating if function will return verbose results or only fragility index

### Value

If `verbose` is `FALSE`, returns a list with fragility indices for selected covariates. If `verbose` is `TRUE`, returns a list with p-values for each fragility index at each iteration of the algorithm.

### Examples

```
# Import and format example data  
mydata <- read.csv("https://stats.idre.ucla.edu/stat/data/binary.csv")  
mydata$rank <- factor(mydata$rank)  
  
logisticfragility(admit ~ gre + gpa + rank, data = mydata, covariate="gpa", verbose = TRUE)  
  
logisticfragility(admit ~ gre + gpa + rank, data = mydata)
```

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revfragility.index      *Reverse Fragility Index Calculation*

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### Description

Compute the reverse fragility index for a dichotomous outcome, i.e. the number of flipped cases it would take to make a non-significant result significant.

### Usage

```
revfragility.index(intervention_event, control_event, intervention_n, control_n,  
  conf.level = 0.95, verbose = FALSE, print.mat = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

intervention_event	Number of events in intervention group
control_event	Number of events in control group
intervention_n	Total number of patients in intervention group
control_n	Total number of patients in the control group
conf.level	Significance level
verbose	Logical indicating if function will return verbose results or only fragility index
print.mat	Logical indicating if 2x2 matrices should be printed for each iteration of algorithm

### Value

If verbose is FALSE, returns a list with fragility index. If verbose is TRUE, returns a list with p-values for each fragility index at each iteration of the algorithm.

### Examples

```
revfragility.index(6,5,50,50, verbose=TRUE, print.mat=FALSE)
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survivalfragility      *Survival Fragility Function*

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### Description

Compute the fragility of a coefficient in a survival test, i.e. the number of removed observations it would take to make a significant-result non-significant. Uses the `coxph()` function from the survival package.

### Usage

```
survivalfragility(formula, data, covariate = "all.factors.default",
  conf.level = 0.95, verbose = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

<code>formula</code>	Model formula which will be evaluated by <code>coxph()</code>
<code>data</code>	Dataframe with values for model formula, passed to <code>coxph()</code>
<code>covariate</code>	Vector of covariates to find fragility index for. Default is all covariates in formula
<code>conf.level</code>	Significance level
<code>verbose</code>	Logical indicating if function will return verbose results or only fragility index

### Value

If `verbose` is `FALSE`, returns a list with fragility indices for selected covariates. If `verbose` is `TRUE`, returns a list with p-values for each fragility index at each iteration of the algorithm.

### Examples

```
library(survival); data <- lung
data$status = lung$status - 1 # recode status as a 0/1 variable

survivalfragility(Surv(time, status) ~ pat.karno + strata(inst),
  data, covariate = "pat.karno")

survivalfragility(Surv(time, status) ~ pat.karno + ph.karno + strata(inst),
  data, verbose = TRUE)
#algorithm does not converge for strata(inst)

survivalfragility(Surv(time, status) ~ pat.karno + ph.karno + strata(inst),
  data, covariate = c("pat.karno", "ph.karno"))
```

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