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CEL-class

*CEL class***Description**

S4 class for constrained empirical likelihood. It inherits from [EL](#) class. Note that the `optim` slot has constrained optimization results with respect to the parameters, not the Lagrange multiplier.

Details

Let $l(\theta)$ denote the minus twice the empirical log-likelihood ratio function. We consider a linear hypothesis of the form

$$L\theta = r,$$

where the left-hand-side L is a q by p matrix and the right-hand-side r is a q -dimensional vector. Under some regularity conditions, $l(\theta)$ converges in distribution to χ_q^2 under the constraint of hypothesis, i.e.,

$$\min_{\theta: L\theta=r} l(\theta) \rightarrow_d \chi_q^2.$$

Minimization of $l(\theta)$ with respect to θ is computationally expensive since it implicitly involves the evaluation step as described in [EL](#). Further, depending on the form of $g(X_i, \theta)$ and the constraint, the optimization problem can be nonconvex and have multiple local minima. For this reason, the package **melt** only considers linear hypotheses and performs local minimization of $l(\theta)$ using projected gradient descent method. With the orthogonal projection matrix P and a step size γ , the algorithm updates θ as

$$\theta^{(k+1)} \leftarrow \theta^{(k)} - \gamma P \nabla l(\theta^{(k)}),$$

where $\nabla l(\theta^{(k)})$ denotes the gradient of l at $\theta^{(k)}$. The first order optimality condition is $P \nabla l(\theta) = 0$, which is used as the stopping criterion.

Slots

`optim` A list with the following optimization results:

- `par` A numeric vector of the parameter value that minimizes the empirical likelihood subject to the constraints.
- `lambda` A numeric vector of the Lagrange multipliers.
- `iterations` A single integer for the number of iterations performed.
- `convergence` A single logical for the convergence status.

References

Adimari G, Guolo A (2010). "A Note on the Asymptotic Behaviour of Empirical Likelihood Statistics." *Statistical Methods & Applications*, 19(4), 463–476. doi:10.1007/s1026001001379.

Qin J, Lawless J (1995). "Estimating Equations, Empirical Likelihood and Constraints on Parameters." *Canadian Journal of Statistics*, 23(2), 145–159. doi:10.2307/3315441.

Examples

```
showClass("CEL")
```

chisq	<i>Chi-square statistic</i>
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Description

Extracts chi-square statistic from a model.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'EL'
chisq(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'ELT'
chisq(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'ELMT'
chisq(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'SummaryLM'
chisq(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object	An object that inherit from EL , ELT , ELMT , or SummaryLM .
...	Further arguments passed to methods.

Value

The form of the value returned by `chisq()` depends on the class of its argument.

Methods (by class)

- `chisq(EL)`: Extracts the chi-square statistic.
- `chisq(ELT)`: Extracts the chi-square statistic.
- `chisq(ELMT)`: Extracts the vector of chi-square statistics.
- `chisq(SummaryLM)`: Extracts the chi-square statistic for the overall test of the model.

See Also

[pVal\(\)](#)

Examples

```
data("precip")
fit <- el_mean(precip, par = 40)
chisq(fit)
```

clothianidin	<i>Clothianidin concentration in maize plants</i>
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Description

A dataset summarizing field experiments result of seed treatments on clothianidin concentration.

Usage

```
data("clothianidin")
```

Format

A data frame with 102 observations and 3 variables:

- blk New blocks constructed from original data. The format is 'days post planting_original block_year'.
- trt Seed treatment.
- clo Log transformed clothianidin concentration (μg).

Details

The original data is provided by Alford and Krupke (2017). Only some of the shoot region observations are taken from the original data and processed for illustration.

Source

Alford, Adam, and Christian H. Krupke. 2017. "Translocation of the Neonicotinoid Seed Treatment Clothianidin in Maize." Edited by Michael J. Stout. PLOS ONE 12 (3): e0173836. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0173836.

coef	<i>Model coefficients</i>
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Description

Extracts maximum empirical likelihood estimates from a model.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'EL'  
coef(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object An object that inherit from [EL](#), including [CEL](#), [LM](#), and [GLM](#).
 ... Further arguments passed to methods.

Value

A numeric vector of the maximum empirical likelihood estimates.

Examples

```
data("mtcars")
fit <- el_lm(mpg ~ wt, data = mtcars)
coef(fit)
```

confint	<i>Confidence interval for model parameters</i>
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Description

Computes confidence intervals for one or more parameters in a model.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'EL'
confint(object, parm, level = 0.95, cv = NULL, control = el_control())

## S4 method for signature 'QGLM'
confint(object, parm, level = 0.95, cv = NULL, control = el_control())

## S4 method for signature 'SD'
confint(object, parm, level = 0.95, cv = NULL, control = el_control())
```

Arguments

object An object that inherit from [EL](#), including [CEL](#), [LM](#), and [GLM](#).
 parm A specification of which parameters are to be given confidence intervals, either a vector of numbers or a vector of names. If missing, all parameters are considered.
 level A single numeric for the confidence level required. Defaults to 0.95.
 cv A single numeric for the critical value for calibration of empirical likelihood ratio statistic. Defaults to NULL and set to `qchisq(level, 1L)`. If non-NULL, level is ignored.
 control An object of class [ControlEL](#) constructed by `el_control()`.

Value

A matrix with columns giving lower and upper confidence limits for each parameter. In contrast to other methods that rely on studentization, the lower and upper limits obtained from empirical likelihood do not correspond to the $(1 - \text{level}) / 2$ and $1 - (1 - \text{level}) / 2$ in %, respectively.

References

Owen A (1990). "Empirical Likelihood Ratio Confidence Regions." *The Annals of Statistics*, 18(1), 90–120. doi:10.1214/aos/1176347494.

See Also

[confreg\(\)](#), [el_control\(\)](#), [elt\(\)](#)

Examples

```
data("mtcars")
fit <- el_lm(mpg ~ ., data = mtcars)
confint(fit, parm = c(2, 3))
```

confreg

Confidence region for model parameters

Description

Computes boundary points of a two-dimensional confidence region for model parameters.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'EL'
confreg(
  object,
  parm,
  level = 0.95,
  cv = NULL,
  npoints = 50L,
  control = el_control()
)

## S4 method for signature 'QGLM'
confreg(
  object,
  parm,
  level = 0.95,
  cv = NULL,
  npoints = 50L,
  control = el_control()
)
```

Arguments

object	An object that inherit from EL , including CEL , LM , and GLM .
parm	A specification of which parameters are to be given a confidence region, either a vector of numbers or a vector of names. It should be a vector of length two of the form $c(x, y)$. If missing, the first two parameter in object are considered.
level	A single numeric for the confidence level required. Defaults to 0.95. It is ignored if cv is non-NULL.
cv	A single numeric for the critical value for calibration of empirical likelihood ratio statistic. Defaults to NULL and set to <code>qchisq(level, 2L)</code> . It must be compatible with the <code>th</code> value in <code>control</code> .
npoints	A single integer for the number of boundary points to compute. Defaults to 50.
control	An object of class ControlEL constructed by <code>el_control()</code> .

Value

An object of class [ConfregEL](#).

References

Owen A (1990). "Empirical Likelihood Ratio Confidence Regions." *The Annals of Statistics*, 18(1), 90–120. [doi:10.1214/aos/1176347494](https://doi.org/10.1214/aos/1176347494).

See Also

[confint\(\)](#), [el_control\(\)](#), [elt\(\)](#), [plot\(\)](#)

Examples

```
data("mtcars")
fit <- el_lm(mpg ~ wt + qsec, data = mtcars)
cr <- confreg(fit, parm = c(2, 3), cv = qchisq(0.90, 2))
plot(cr)
```

ConfregEL-class

ConfregEL class

Description

S4 class for confidence region.

Slots

`estimates` A numeric vector of length two for the parameter estimates.

`level` A single numeric for the confidence level required.

`cv` A single numeric for the critical value for calibration of empirical likelihood ratio statistic.

`pnames` A character vector of length two for the name of parameters.

Examples

```
showClass("ConfregEL")
```

ControlEL-class	<i>ControlEL class</i>
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Description

S4 class for computational details of empirical likelihood.

Slots

`maxit` A single integer for the maximum number of iterations for the optimization with respect to θ .

`maxit_l` A single integer for the maximum number of iterations for the optimization with respect to λ .

`tol` A single numeric for the convergence tolerance denoted by ϵ . The iteration stops when

$$\|P\nabla l(\theta^{(k)})\| < \epsilon.$$

`tol_l` A single numeric for the relative convergence tolerance denoted by δ . The iteration stops when

$$\|\lambda^{(k)} - \lambda^{(k-1)}\| < \delta \|\lambda^{(k-1)}\| + \delta^2.$$

`step` A single numeric for the step size γ for the projected gradient descent method.

`th` A single numeric for the threshold for the negative empirical log-likelihood ratio.

`verbose` A single logical for whether to print a message on the convergence status.

`keep_data` A single logical for whether to

`nthreads` A single integer for the number of threads for parallel computation via OpenMP (if available).

`seed` A single integer for the seed for random number generation.

`b` A single integer for the number of bootstrap replicates.

`m` A single integer for the number of Monte Carlo samples.

See Also

[el_control\(\)](#)

Examples

```
showClass("ControlEL")
```

conv	<i>Convergence check</i>
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Description

Extracts convergence status from a model.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'EL'  
conv(object, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'CEL'  
conv(object, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'SummaryLM'  
conv(object, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'ELT'  
conv(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object	An object that inherit from EL , including CEL , LM , and GLM .
...	Further arguments passed to methods.

Value

A single logical.

Methods (by class)

- `conv(EL)`: Extracts the convergence status of the model with respect to the Lagrange multiplier.
- `conv(CEL)`: Extracts the convergence status of the model with respect to the parameter.
- `conv(SummaryLM)`: Extracts the convergence status of the model. See the documentation of [EL](#) and [CEL](#).
- `conv(ELT)`: Extracts the convergence status of the model with respect to the parameter (or the Lagrange multiplier if lhs is NULL).

Examples

```
## Convergence check for the overall model test  
data("mtcars")  
fit <- el_lm(mpg ~ ., data = mtcars)  
conv(fit)
```

critVal	<i>Critical value</i>
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Description

Extracts critical value from a model.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'ELT'  
critVal(object, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'ELMT'  
critVal(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object	An object that inherit from ELT or ELMT .
...	Further arguments passed to methods.

Value

A single numeric.

Examples

```
## F-calibrated critical value  
set.seed(533414)  
x <- rnorm(100)  
fit <- el_mean(x, 0)  
elt <- elt(fit, rhs = 0.3, calibrate = "f")  
critVal(elt)
```

EL-class	<i>EL class</i>
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Description

S4 class for empirical likelihood.

Details

Let X_i be independent and identically distributed p -dimensional random variable from an unknown distribution F for $i = 1, \dots, n$. We assume that F has a positive definite covariance matrix. For a parameter of interest $\theta(F) \in \mathbb{R}^p$, consider a p -dimensional smooth estimating function $g(X_i, \theta)$ with a moment condition

$$E[g(X_i, \theta)] = 0.$$

We assume that there exists a unique θ_0 that solves the above equation. Given a value of θ , the (profile) empirical likelihood ratio is defined by

$$\mathcal{R}(\theta) = \max_{p_i} \left\{ \prod_{i=1}^n n p_i : \sum_{i=1}^n p_i g(X_i, \theta) = 0, p_i \geq 0, \sum_{i=1}^n p_i = 1 \right\}.$$

The Lagrange multiplier $\lambda \equiv \lambda(\theta)$ of the dual problem leads to

$$p_i = \frac{1}{n} \frac{1}{1 + \lambda^\top g(X_i, \theta)},$$

where λ solves

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{g(X_i, \theta)}{1 + \lambda^\top g(X_i, \theta)} = 0.$$

Then the empirical log-likelihood ratio is given by

$$\log \mathcal{R}(\theta) = - \sum_{i=1}^n \log(1 + \lambda^\top g(X_i, \theta)).$$

This problem can be efficiently solved by the Newton-Raphson method when the zero vector is contained in the interior of the convex hull of $\{g(X_i, \theta)\}_{i=1}^n$.

Under some regularity conditions, it is known that $-2 \log \mathcal{R}(\theta_0)$ converges in distribution to χ_p^2 , where χ_p^2 has a chi-square distribution with p degrees of freedom.

Slots

`optim` A list with the following optimization results:

- `par` A numeric vector of the specified parameters.
- `lambda` A numeric vector of the Lagrange multipliers.
- `iterations` A single integer for the number of iterations performed.
- `convergence` A single logical for the convergence status.

`logp` A numeric vector of the log probabilities obtained from empirical likelihood.

`logl` A single numeric for the empirical log-likelihood.

`loglr` A single numeric for the empirical log-likelihood ratio.

`statistic` A single numeric for the minus twice the empirical log-likelihood ratio statistic that has an asymptotic chi-square distribution.

`df` A single integer for the degrees of freedom of the statistic.

`pval` A single numeric for the p -value of the statistic.

npar A single integer for the number of parameters.
weights A numeric vector of re-scaled weights used for model fitting.
coefficients A numeric vector of the maximum empirical likelihood estimates of the parameters.
method A single character for the method dispatch in internal functions.
data A numeric matrix for the data used for model fitting.

References

Owen A (2001). Empirical Likelihood. Chapman & Hall/CRC. doi:[10.1201/9781420036152](https://doi.org/10.1201/9781420036152).
 Qin J, Lawless J (1994). "Empirical Likelihood and General Estimating Equations." The Annals of Statistics, 22(1), 300–325. doi:[10.1214/aos/1176325370](https://doi.org/10.1214/aos/1176325370).

Examples

```
showClass("EL")
```

eld	<i>Empirical likelihood displacement</i>
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Description

Computes empirical likelihood displacement for model diagnostics and outlier detection.

Usage

```

## S4 method for signature 'EL'
eld(object, control = el_control())

## S4 method for signature 'GLM'
eld(object, control = el_control())

```

Arguments

object An object that inherit from [EL](#), including [CEL](#), [LM](#), and [GLM](#).
control An object of class [ControlEL](#) constructed by [el_control\(\)](#).

Details

Let $L(\theta)$ be the empirical log-likelihood function based on the full sample with n observations. The maximum empirical likelihood estimate is denoted by $\hat{\theta}$. Consider a reduced sample with the i th observation deleted and the corresponding estimate $\hat{\theta}_{(i)}$. The empirical likelihood displacement is defined by

$$\text{ELD}_i = 2\{L(\hat{\theta}) - L(\hat{\theta}_{(i)})\}.$$

If ELD_i is large, then the i th observation is an influential point and can be inspected as a possible outlier. `eld` computes ELD_i for $i = 1, \dots, n$.

Value

An object of class [ELD](#).

References

Lazar NA (2005). “Assessing the Effect of Individual Data Points on Inference From Empirical Likelihood.” *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics*, 14(3), 626–642. doi:10.1198/106186005X59568.

Zhu H, Ibrahim JG, Tang N, Zhang H (2008). “Diagnostic Measures for Empirical Likelihood of General Estimating Equations.” *Biometrika*, 95(2), 489–507. doi:10.1093/biomet/asm094.

See Also

[el_control\(\)](#), [el_eval\(\)](#), [plot\(\)](#)

Examples

```
data("precip")
fit <- el_mean(precip, par = 30)
eld <- eld(fit)
plot(eld)
```

ELD-class

ELD class

Description

S4 class for empirical likelihood displacement.

Examples

```
showClass("ELD")
```

elmt

Empirical likelihood multiple tests

Description

Tests multiple linear hypotheses simultaneously.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'EL'
elmt(object, rhs = NULL, lhs = NULL, alpha = 0.05, control = el_control())

## S4 method for signature 'QGLM'
elmt(object, rhs = NULL, lhs = NULL, alpha = 0.05, control = el_control())
```

Arguments

object	An object that inherit from EL , including CEL , LM , and GLM .
rhs	A numeric vector (column matrix) or a list of numeric vectors for the right-hand sides of hypotheses. Defaults to NULL. See ‘Details’.
lhs	A numeric matrix or a list of numeric matrices for the left-hand sides of hypothesis. Each row of the matrices gives a linear combination of the parameters in object. The number of columns should be equal to the number of parameters. Defaults to NULL. See ‘Details’.
alpha	A single numeric for the overall significance level. Defaults to 0.05.
control	An object of class ControlEL constructed by el_control() .

Details

[elmt\(\)](#) tests multiple hypotheses simultaneously. Each hypothesis corresponds to the constrained empirical likelihood ratio described in [CEL](#). rhs and lhs cannot be both NULL. The right-hand side and left-hand side of each hypothesis must be specified as described in [elt\(\)](#).

For specifying linear contrasts more conveniently, rhs and lhs also take a numeric vector and a numeric matrix, respectively. Each element of rhs and each row of lhs correspond to a contrast (hypothesis).

The vector of empirical likelihood ratio statistics asymptotically follows a multivariate chi-square distribution under the complete null hypothesis. The multiple testing procedure asymptotically controls the family-wise error rate at the level alpha. Based on the distribution of the maximum of the test statistics, the adjusted p-values are estimated by Monte Carlo simulation.

Value

An object of class of [ELMT](#).

References

Kim E, MacEachern S, Peruggia M (2021). “Empirical Likelihood for the Analysis of Experimental Designs.” arxiv:2112.09206. URL <https://arxiv.org/abs/2112.09206>.

See Also

[el_control\(\)](#), [elt\(\)](#)

Examples

```
## Example 1: bivariate mean (list `rhs` & no `lhs`)
data("women")
fit <- el_mean(women, par = c(65, 135))
rhs <- list(c(64, 133), c(66, 140))
set.seed(143)
elmt(fit, rhs = rhs)

## Example 2: pairwise comparison (no `rhs` & matrix `lhs`)
data("clothianidin")
```

```

fit2 <- el_lm(clo ~ -1 + trt, clothianidin)
lhs <- matrix(c(
  1, -1, 0, 0,
  0, 1, -1, 0,
  0, 0, 1, -1
), byrow = TRUE, nrow = 3)
set.seed(629)
elmt(fit2, lhs = lhs)

## Example 3: arbitrary hypotheses (list `rhs` & list `lhs`)
data("mtcars")
fit <- el_lm(mpg ~ wt + qsec, data = mtcars)
lhs <- list(rbind(c(1, 4, 0)), rbind(c(0, 1, 0)), c(0, 0, 1))
rhs <- list(0, c(-6, 1))
elmt(fit, rhs = rhs, lhs = lhs)

```

ELMT-class

ELMT class

Description

S4 class for empirical likelihood multiple tests.

Slots

`alpha` A single numeric for the overall significance level.

`statistic` A numeric vector for the minus twice the (constrained) empirical log-likelihood ratios.

`cv` A single numeric for the multiplicity adjusted critical value.

`pval` A numeric vector for the multiplicity adjusted p -values.

`calibrate` A single character for the calibration method used.

Examples

```
showClass("ELMT")
```

elt

Empirical likelihood test

Description

Tests a linear hypothesis.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'EL'
elt(
  object,
  rhs = NULL,
  lhs = NULL,
  alpha = 0.05,
  calibrate = "chisq",
  control = el_control()
)
```

Arguments

object	An object that inherit from EL , including CEL , LM , and GLM .
rhs	A numeric vector or a column matrix for the right-hand side of hypothesis, with as many entries as the rows in lhs. Defaults to NULL. See ‘Details’.
lhs	A numeric matrix or a vector (treated as a row matrix) for the left-hand side of hypothesis. Each row gives a linear combination of the parameters in object. The number of columns should be equal to the number of parameters. Defaults to NULL. See ‘Details’.
alpha	A single numeric for the significance level. Defaults to 0.05.
calibrate	A single character for the calibration method. It is case-insensitive and must be one of "chisq", "boot", or "f". Defaults to "chisq". See ‘Details’.
control	An object of class ControlEL constructed by el_control() .

Details

`elt()` performs the constrained minimization of $l(\theta)$ described in [CEL](#). `rhs` and `lhs` cannot be both NULL. For non-NULL `lhs`, it is required that `lhs` have full row rank $q \leq p$ and p be equal to the number of parameters in the object.

Depending on the specification of `rhs` and `lhs`, we have the following three cases:

1. If both `rhs` and `lhs` are non-NULL, the constrained minimization is performed with the right-hand side r and the left-hand side L as

$$\inf_{\theta: L\theta=r} l(\theta).$$

2. If `rhs` is NULL, r is set to the zero vector as $\inf_{\theta: L\theta=0} l(\theta)$.
3. If `lhs` is NULL, L is set to the identity matrix and the problem reduces to evaluating at r as $l(r)$.

`calibrate` specifies the calibration method used. Three methods are available: "chisq" (chi-square calibration), "boot" (bootstrap calibration), and "f" (F calibration). "boot" is applicable only when `lhs` is NULL. The `nthreads`, `seed`, and `B` slots in `control` apply to the bootstrap procedure. "f" is applicable only to the mean parameter when `lhs` is NULL.

Value

An object of class of [ELT](#). If `lhs` is non-NULL, the `optim` slot corresponds to that of [CEL](#). Otherwise, it corresponds to that of [EL](#).

References

Adimari G, Guolo A (2010). “A Note on the Asymptotic Behaviour of Empirical Likelihood Statistics.” *Statistical Methods & Applications*, 19(4), 463–476. doi:10.1007/s1026001001379.

Qin J, Lawless J (1995). “Estimating Equations, Empirical Likelihood and Constraints on Parameters.” *Canadian Journal of Statistics*, 23(2), 145–159. doi:10.2307/3315441.

See Also

[el_control\(\)](#), [elmt\(\)](#)

Examples

```
## F calibration for the mean
set.seed(533414)
x <- rnorm(100)
fit <- el_mean(x, 0)
elt(fit, rhs = 0.3, calibrate = "f")

## Test of no treatment effect
data("clothianidin")
lhs <- matrix(c(
  1, -1, 0, 0,
  0, 1, -1, 0,
  0, 0, 1, -1
), byrow = TRUE, nrow = 3)
fit2 <- el_lm(clo ~ -1 + trt, clothianidin)
elt(fit2, lhs = lhs)
```

ELT-class

ELT class

Description

S4 class for empirical likelihood test.

Slots

`optim` A list with the optimization results.

`alpha` A single numeric for the significance level.

`logl` A single numeric for the (constrained) empirical log-likelihood.

`loglr` A single numeric for the (constrained) empirical log-likelihood ratio.

`statistic` A single numeric for the minus twice the (constrained) empirical log-likelihood ratio.

cv A single numeric for the critical value.
 pval A single numeric for the p -value of the statistic.
 calibrate A single character for the calibration method used.

Examples

```
showClass("ELT")
```

el_control	<i>Control parameters for computation</i>
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Description

Specifies computational details of (constrained) empirical likelihood.

Usage

```
el_control(
  maxit = 200L,
  maxit_l = 25L,
  tol = 1e-06,
  tol_l = 1e-06,
  step = NULL,
  th = NULL,
  verbose = FALSE,
  keep_data = TRUE,
  nthreads,
  seed = sample.int(.Machine$integer.max, 1L),
  b = 10000L,
  m = 1000000L
)
```

Arguments

maxit	A single integer for the maximum number of iterations for constrained minimization of empirical likelihood. Defaults to 200.
maxit_l	A single integer for the maximum number of iterations for evaluation of empirical likelihood. Defaults to 25.
tol	A single numeric for the convergence tolerance for the constrained minimization. Defaults to 1e-06.
tol_l	A single numeric for the relative convergence tolerance for the evaluation. Defaults to 1e-06.
step	A single numeric for the step size for projected gradient descent method. Defaults to NULL and set to the reciprocal of sample size.

th	A single numeric for the threshold for the negative empirical log-likelihood ratio. The iteration stops if the value exceeds the threshold. Defaults to NULL and sets the threshold to $200 * d$, where d corresponds to the degrees of freedom of the limiting chi-squared distribution of the statistic.
verbose	A single logical. If TRUE, a message on the convergence status is printed when fitting objects that inherit from class EL . Defaults to FALSE.
keep_data	A single logical. If TRUE, the data used for fitting objects that inherit from class EL are stored for later use with other methods. Defaults to TRUE.
nthreads	A single integer for the number of threads for parallel computation via OpenMP (if available). Defaults to half the available threads. For better performance, it is generally recommended in most platforms to limit the number of threads to the number of physical cores. Note that it applies to the following functions that involve multiple evaluations or optimizations: confint() , confreg() , el_lm() , el_glm() , eld() , and elt() .
seed	A single integer for the seed for random number generation. It only applies to elt() when <code>calibrate</code> is set to "boot". Defaults to a random integer generated from 1 to the maximum integer supported by R on the machine, which is determined by set.seed() . Only one seed is needed even when multiple threads are used with <code>nthreads</code> . Each thread is given a separate seed to produce a non-overlapping but reproducible sequence of random numbers. The Xoshiro256+ pseudo-random number generator is used internally to work with OpenMP.
b	A single integer for the number of bootstrap replicates. It only applies to elt() when <code>calibrate</code> is set to "boot". Defaults to 10000.
m	A single integer for the number of Monte Carlo samples. It only applies to elmt() . Defaults to $1e+06$.

Value

An object of class of [ControlEL](#).

See Also

[el_eval\(\)](#), [elt\(\)](#)

Examples

```
optcfg <- el_control(maxit = 300, step = 0.01, th = 200, nthreads = 1)
```

el_eval

Empirical likelihood for general estimating functions

Description

Computes empirical likelihood with general estimating functions.

Usage

```
el_eval(g, weights = NULL, control = el_control())
```

Arguments

g	A numeric matrix, or an object that can be coerced to a numeric matrix. Each row corresponds to an observation of an estimating function. The number of rows must be greater than the number of columns.
weights	An optional numeric vector of weights to be used in the fitting process. The length of the vector must be the same as the number of rows in g. Defaults to NULL, corresponding to identical weights. If non-NULL, weighted empirical likelihood is computed.
control	An object of class <code>ControlEL</code> constructed by <code>el_control()</code> .

Details

`el_eval` evaluates empirical likelihood with a n by p numeric matrix argument `g`, whose i th row is $g(X_i, \theta)$. Since the estimating function can be arbitrary, `el_eval` does not return an object of class `EL`, and the associated generics and methods are not applicable.

Value

A list with the following components:

- `optim` A list with the following optimization results:
 - `lambda` Lagrange multiplier of the dual problem.
 - `iterations` Number of iterations performed.
 - `convergence` Convergence status.
- `logp` Log probabilities obtained from empirical likelihood.
- `logl` Empirical log-likelihood.
- `loglr` Empirical log-likelihood ratio.
- `statistic` Minus twice the empirical log-likelihood ratio statistic that has an asymptotic chi-square distribution.
- `df` Degrees of freedom of the statistic.
- `pval` p -value of the statistic.
- `npar` Number of parameters.
- `weights` Re-scaled weights used for model fitting.

References

Qin J, Lawless J (1994). "Empirical Likelihood and General Estimating Equations." *The Annals of Statistics*, 22(1), 300–325. doi:10.1214/aos/1176325370.

See Also

`el_control()`

Examples

```

set.seed(3271)
x <- rnorm(50)
par <- 0
g <- x - par
el_eval(g, weights = rep(c(1, 2), each = 25))

```

el_glm

*Empirical likelihood for generalized linear models***Description**

Fits a generalized linear model with empirical likelihood.

Usage

```

el_glm(
  formula,
  family = gaussian,
  data,
  weights = NULL,
  na.action,
  control = el_control(),
  start = NULL,
  etastart = NULL,
  mustart = NULL,
  ...
)

```

Arguments

formula	An object of class formula (or one that can be coerced to that class): a symbolic description of the model to be fitted.
family	A description of the error distribution and link function to be used in the model. Only the result of a call to a family function is supported. See ‘Details’.
data	An optional data frame, list or environment (or object coercible by as.data.frame() to a data frame) containing the variables in the formula. If not found in data, the variables are taken from <code>environment(formula)</code> .
weights	An optional numeric vector of weights to be used in the fitting process. Defaults to NULL, corresponding to identical weights. If non-NULL, weighted empirical likelihood is computed.
na.action	A function which indicates what should happen when the data contain NAs. The default is set by the <code>na.action</code> setting of options , and is <code>na.fail</code> if that is unset.
control	An object of class ControlEL constructed by el_control() .

start	Starting values for the parameters in the linear predictor. Defaults to NULL and is passed to <code>glm.fit()</code> .
etastart	Starting values for the linear predictor. Defaults to NULL and is passed to <code>glm.fit()</code> .
mustart	Starting values for the vector of means. Defaults to NULL and is passed to <code>glm.fit()</code> .
...	Additional arguments to be passed to <code>glm.control()</code> .

Details

The available families and link functions are as follows:

- gaussian: "identity", "log", and "inverse".
- binomial: "logit", "probit", and "log".
- poisson: "log", "identity", and "sqrt".
- quasipoisson: "log".

Included in the tests are the overall test with

$$H_0 : \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \dots = \beta_{p-1} = 0,$$

and the tests for each parameter with

$$H_{0j} : \beta_j = 0, \quad j = 0, \dots, p - 1.$$

The test results are returned as `optim` and `sigTests`, respectively.

Value

An object of class of `GLM`.

References

- Chen SX, Cui H (2003). "An Extended Empirical Likelihood for Generalized Linear Models." *Statistica Sinica*, 13(1), 69–81.
- Kolaczyk ED (1994). "Empirical Likelihood for Generalized Linear Models." *Statistica Sinica*, 4(1), 199–218.

See Also

`el_control()`, `el_lm()`, `elt()`

Examples

```
set.seed(20010)
n <- 50
x <- rnorm(n)
x2 <- rnorm(n)
l <- -2 + 0.2 * x + 3 * x2
mu <- 1 / (1 + exp(-l))
y <- rbinom(n, 1, mu)
```

```
df <- data.frame(y, x, x2)
fit <- el_glm(y ~ x + x2,
  family = binomial, data = df, weights = NULL,
  na.action = na.omit, start = NULL, etastart = NULL, mustart = NULL
)
summary(fit)
```

el_lm

*Empirical likelihood for linear models***Description**

Fits a linear model with empirical likelihood.

Usage

```
el_lm(formula, data, weights = NULL, na.action, control = el_control(), ...)
```

Arguments

formula	An object of class formula (or one that can be coerced to that class) for a symbolic description of the model to be fitted.
data	An optional data frame, list or environment (or object coercible by as.data.frame() to a data frame) containing the variables in formula. If not found in data, the variables are taken from environment(formula).
weights	An optional numeric vector of weights to be used in the fitting process. Defaults to NULL, corresponding to identical weights. If non-NULL, weighted empirical likelihood is computed.
na.action	A function which indicates what should happen when the data contain NAs. The default is set by the na.action setting of options , and is na.fail if that is unset.
control	An object of class ControlEL constructed by el_control() .
...	Additional arguments to be passed to the low level regression fitting functions. See ‘Details’.

Details

Suppose that we observe n independent random variables (X_i, Y_i) from a common distribution, where X_i is the p -dimensional covariate (including the intercept if any) and Y_i is the response. We consider the following linear regression model:

$$Y_i = X_i^\top \theta + \epsilon_i,$$

where $\theta = (\theta_0, \dots, \theta_{p-1})$ is an unknown p -dimensional parameter and the errors ϵ_i are independent random variables that satisfy $E(\epsilon_i | X_i) = 0$. We assume that the errors have finite conditional variance. Then the least square estimator of θ solves the following estimating equation:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - X_i^\top \theta) X_i = 0.$$

`el_lm()` first computes the parameter estimates by calling `lm.fit()` (with `...` if any) with the `model.frame` and `model.matrix` obtained from the `formula`. Note that the maximum empirical likelihood estimator is the same as the least square estimator in our model. Next, it performs hypothesis tests based on an asymptotic chi-squared distribution of empirical likelihood ratio statistics. Included in the tests are overall test with

$$H_0 : \theta_1 = \theta_2 = \dots = \theta_{p-1} = 0,$$

and significance tests for each parameter with

$$H_{0j} : \theta_j = 0, j = 0, \dots, p - 1.$$

The test results are returned as `optim` and `sigTests`, respectively.

Value

An object of class of `LM`.

References

Owen A (1991). "Empirical Likelihood for Linear Models." *The Annals of Statistics*, 19(4), 1725–1747. [doi:10.1214/aos/1176348368](https://doi.org/10.1214/aos/1176348368).

See Also

`el_control()`, `el_glm()`, `elt()`

Examples

```
set.seed(5649)
df <- data.frame(y = rnorm(50), x = rnorm(50))
fit <- el_lm(y ~ x, df)
summary(fit)

fit2 <- el_lm(y ~ x, df, weights = rep(c(1, 2), each = 25))
summary(fit2)

df[1, 2] <- NA
fit3 <- el_lm(y ~ x, df, na.action = na.omit)
summary(fit3)
```

el_mean

Empirical likelihood for the mean

Description

Computes empirical likelihood for the mean.

Usage

```
el_mean(x, par, weights = NULL, control = el_control())
```

Arguments

x	A numeric matrix, or an object that can be coerced to a numeric matrix. Each row corresponds to an observation. The number of rows must be greater than the number of columns.
par	A numeric vector of parameter values to be tested. The length of the vector must be the same as the number of columns in x.
weights	An optional numeric vector of weights to be used in the fitting process. The length of the vector must be the same as the number of rows in x. Defaults to NULL, corresponding to identical weights. If non-NULL, weighted empirical likelihood is computed.
control	An object of class <code>ControlEL</code> constructed by <code>el_control()</code> .

Value

An object of class `EL`.

References

Owen A (1990). "Empirical Likelihood Ratio Confidence Regions." *The Annals of Statistics*, 18(1), 90–120. doi:10.1214/aos/1176347494.

See Also

`el_control()`, `el_eval()`, `elt()`

Examples

```
## Scalar mean
set.seed(414)
x <- rnorm(100)
par <- 0
el_mean(x, par)

## Vector mean
data("faithful")
el_mean(faithful, par = c(3.5, 70))

## Weighted data
w <- rep(c(1, 2), each = nrow(faithful) / 2)
el_mean(faithful, par = c(3.5, 70), weights = w)
```

el_sd	<i>Empirical likelihood for the standard deviation</i>
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Description

Computes empirical likelihood for the standard deviation.

Usage

```
el_sd(x, mean, sd, weights = NULL, control = el_control())
```

Arguments

x	A numeric vector, or an object that can be coerced to a numeric vector.
mean	A single numeric for the (known) mean value.
sd	A positive single numeric for the parameter value to be tested.
weights	An optional numeric vector of weights to be used in the fitting process. The length of the vector must be the same as the length of x. Defaults to NULL, corresponding to identical weights. If non-NULL, weighted empirical likelihood is computed.
control	An object of class ControlEL constructed by el_control() .

Value

An object of class [EL](#).

See Also

[el_control\(\)](#), [el_mean\(\)](#), [elt\(\)](#)

Examples

```
set.seed(4097)
x <- rnorm(100, mean = -2, sd = 3)
w <- rep(c(1, 2), each = 50)
el_sd(x, mean = -2, sd = 3.5, weights = w)
```

getDF	<i>Degrees of freedom</i>
-------	---------------------------

Description

Extracts degrees of freedom from a model.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'EL'
getDF(object)

## S4 method for signature 'logLikEL'
getDF(object)

## S4 method for signature 'SummaryLM'
getDF(object)
```

Arguments

object An object that inherit from [EL](#), [ELT](#), [logLikEL](#), or [SummaryLM](#).

Value

A single integer.

Examples

```
data("faithful")
fit <- el_mean(faithful, par = c(3.5, 70))
getDF(fit)
```

getOptim	<i>Optimization results</i>
----------	-----------------------------

Description

Extracts optimization results from a model.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'EL'
getOptim(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'ELT'
getOptim(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object An object that inherit from [EL](#) or [ELT](#).
... Further arguments passed to methods.

Value

A list with the following optimization results:

- par A numeric vector of the parameter value. See the documentation of [EL](#) and [CEL](#).
- lambda A numeric vector of the Lagrange multipliers.
- iterations A single integer for the number of iterations performed.
- convergence A single logical for the convergence status.

See Also

[sigTests\(\)](#)

Examples

```
data("precip")
fit <- e1_mean(precip, par = 40)
getOptim(fit)
```

GLM-class

GLM class

Description

S4 class for generalized linear models. It inherits from [LM](#) class.

Slots

family A [family](#) object used.
dispersion A single numeric for the estimated dispersion parameter.

Examples

```
showClass("GLM")
```

 LM-class

LM class

Description

S4 class for linear models with empirical likelihood. It inherits from [CEL](#) class.

Details

If there is no intercept in a model, the `optim` slot need to be understood in terms of [EL](#) class since constrained optimization is not involved in the overall test.

Methods (by generic)

- `formula(LM)`: Extracts the symbolic model formula used in `el_lm()` or `el_glm()`.

Slots

`sigTests` A list with the results of significance tests.

`call` A matched call.

`terms` A [terms](#) object used.

`misc` A list with miscellaneous outputs from a model fitting function. They are used in other generics and methods.

Examples

```
showClass("LM")
```

 logL

Empirical log-likelihood

Description

Extracts empirical log-likelihood from a model.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'EL'
logL(object, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'ELT'
logL(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object An object that inherit from [EL](#) or [ELT](#).
... Further arguments passed to methods.

Value

A single numeric.

Examples

```
data("precip")
fit <- el_mean(precip, par = 40)
logL(fit)
```

logLik	<i>Maximum empirical log-likelihood</i>
--------	---

Description

Extracts empirical log-likelihood from a model evaluated at the estimated coefficients.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'EL'
logLik(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object An object that inherit from [EL](#).
... Further arguments passed to methods.

Value

An object of class [logLikEL](#).

Examples

```
data("precip")
fit <- el_mean(precip, par = 40)
logLik(fit)
```

logLikEL-class	<i>logLikEL class</i>
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Description

S4 class for empirical log-likelihood.

Slots

df A single integer for the degrees of freedom or the number of (estimated) parameters in the model.

Examples

```
showClass("logLikEL")
```

logLR	<i>Empirical log-likelihood ratio</i>
-------	---------------------------------------

Description

Extracts empirical log-likelihood ratio from a model.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'EL'
logLR(object, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'ELT'
logLR(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object	An object that inherit from EL or ELT .
...	Further arguments passed to methods.

Value

A single numeric.

Examples

```
data("precip")
fit <- el_mean(precip, par = 40)
logLR(fit)
```

nobs	<i>Number of observations in a model</i>
------	--

Description

Extracts number of observations from a model.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'EL'
nobs(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object	An object that inherit from EL .
...	Further arguments passed to methods.

Value

A single integer.

Examples

```
data("precip")
fit <- el_mean(precip, par = 40)
nobs(fit)
```

plot	<i>Plot methods</i>
------	---------------------

Description

Provides plot methods for objects.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'ConfregEL'
plot(x, y, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'ELD'
plot(x, y, ...)
```

Arguments

x	An object to be plotted.
y	Not used.
...	Further graphical parameters (see par).

Methods (by class)

- `plot(ConfregEL)`: Plots a two-dimensional confidence region for model parameters.
- `plot(ELD)`: Plots empirical likelihood displacement values versus observation index.

See Also

`confreg()`, `eld()`

Examples

```
## Model
data("mtcars")
fit <- el_lm(hp ~ wt, data = mtcars)

## Confidence region
out1 <- confreg(fit, npoints = 500)
plot(out1)

## Empirical likelihood displacement
out2 <- eld(fit)
plot(out2)
```

print

Print methods

Description

Provides print methods for objects.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'EL'
print(x, digits = max(3L, getOption("digits") - 3L), ...)

## S4 method for signature 'LM'
print(x, digits = max(3L, getOption("digits") - 3L), ...)

## S4 method for signature 'SummaryLM'
print(
  x,
  digits = max(3L, getOption("digits") - 3L),
  signif.stars = getOption("show.signif.stars"),
  ...
)

## S4 method for signature 'SummaryGLM'
print(
```

```

    x,
    digits = max(3L, getOption("digits") - 3L),
    signif.stars = getOption("show.signif.stars"),
    ...
  )

## S4 method for signature 'SummaryQGLM'
print(
  x,
  digits = max(3L, getOption("digits") - 3L),
  signif.stars = getOption("show.signif.stars"),
  ...
)

## S4 method for signature 'logLikEL'
print(x, digits = getOption("digits"), ...)

## S4 method for signature 'ELMT'
print(
  x,
  digits = max(3L, getOption("digits") - 3L),
  signif.stars = getOption("show.signif.stars"),
  ...
)

## S4 method for signature 'ELT'
print(x, digits = getOption("digits"), ...)

```

Arguments

x	An object to be printed.
...	Further arguments passed to methods.
digits	A single integer for the number of significant digits to be passed to <code>format()</code> .
signif.stars	A single logical. If TRUE, 'significance stars' are printed for each parameter.

Examples

```

data("precip")
fit <- el_mean(precip, par = 40)
print(fit)

```

pVal

p-value

Description

Extracts *p*-value from a model.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'EL'  
pVal(object, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'ELT'  
pVal(object, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'ELMT'  
pVal(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object	An object that inherit from EL , ELT , or ELMT .
...	Further arguments passed to methods.

Value

The form of the value returned by `pVal()` depends on the class of its argument.

Methods (by class)

- `pVal(EL)`: Extracts the p -value.
- `pVal(ELT)`: Extracts the p -value.
- `pVal(ELMT)`: Extracts the multiplicity adjusted p -values.

See Also

[chisq\(\)](#)

Examples

```
data("precip")  
fit <- el_mean(precip, par = 40)  
pVal(fit)
```

QGLM-class

QGLM class

Description

S4 class for generalized linear models with quasi-likelihood methods. It inherits from [GLM](#) class.

Examples

```
showClass("QGLM")
```

SD-class	<i>SD class</i>
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Description

S4 class for standard deviation. It inherits from [EL](#) class.

Examples

```
showClass("SD")
```

sigTests	<i>Significance tests</i>
----------	---------------------------

Description

Extracts the results of significance tests from a model.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'LM'  
sigTests(object, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'SummaryLM'  
sigTests(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object	An object that inherit from LM or SummaryLM .
...	Further arguments passed to methods.

Value

The form of the value returned by [sigTests\(\)](#) depends on the class of its argument.

Methods (by class)

- [sigTests\(LM\)](#): Extracts a list with the optimization results of significance tests.
- [sigTests\(SummaryLM\)](#): Extracts a matrix with the results of significance tests.

See Also

[getOptim\(\)](#)

Examples

```
data("mtcars")
fit <- e1_lm(mpg ~ ., data = mtcars)
sigTests(fit)
sigTests(summary(fit))
```

summary

Summary methods

Description

Provides summary methods for objects.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'LM'
summary(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'GLM'
summary(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'QGLM'
summary(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object	An object to be summarized.
...	Further arguments passed to methods.

Methods (by class)

- `summary(LM)`: Summarizes the results of the overall model test and the significance tests for coefficients.
- `summary(GLM)`: Summarizes the results of the overall model test and the significance tests for coefficients. The dispersion parameter is extracted for display.
- `summary(QGLM)`: Summarizes the results of the overall model test and the significance tests for coefficients. The estimated dispersion parameter is extracted for display.

Examples

```
data("mtcars")
fit <- e1_lm(mpg ~ wt, data = mtcars)
summary(fit)
```

SummaryGLM-class *SummaryGLM class*

Description

S4 class for a summary of **GLM** objects. It inherits from **SummaryLM** class.

Slots

family A **family** object used.

dispersion A single numeric for the estimated dispersion parameter.

Examples

```
showClass("SummaryGLM")
```

SummaryLM-class *SummaryLM class*

Description

S4 class for a summary of **LM** objects.

Slots

statistic A single numeric for the minus twice the empirical log-likelihood ratio for the overall test of the model.

df A single integer for the degrees of freedom of the statistic.

convergence A single logical for the convergence status of the constrained minimization.

sigTests A numeric matrix of the results of significance tests.

weighted A single logical for whether the given model is weighted or not.

na.action Information returned by `model.frame` on the special handling of NAs.

call A matched call.

terms A **terms** object used.

aliased A named logical vector showing if the original coefficients are aliased.

Examples

```
showClass("SummaryLM")
```

SummaryQGLM-class	<i>SummaryQGLM class</i>
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Description

S4 class for a summary of **QGLM** objects. It inherits from **SummaryGLM** class.

Examples

```
showClass("SummaryQGLM")
```

weights	<i>Model weights</i>
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Description

Extracts weights from model objects. The weights are re-scaled to up to the total number of observations in the fitting procedure.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'EL'
weights(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object	An object that inherit from EL , including CEL , LM , and GLM .
...	Further arguments passed to methods.

Value

A numeric vector of the re-scaled weights.

References

Glenn N, Zhao Y (2007). "Weighted Empirical Likelihood Estimates and Their Robustness Properties." *Computational Statistics & Data Analysis*, 51(10), 5130–5141. doi:10.1016/j.csda.2006.07.032.

Examples

```
data("airquality")
x <- airquality$Wind
w <- airquality$Day
fit <- el_mean(x, par = 10, weights = w)
weights(fit)
```


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