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| BASSLINE_convert | <i>Convert dataframe with mixed variables to a numeric matrix</i> |
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Description

BASSLINE's functions require a numeric matrix be provided. This function converts a dataframe of mixed variable types (numeric and factors) to a matrix. A factor with \$m\$ levels is converted to \$m\$ columns with binary values used to denote which level the observation belongs to.

Usage

BASSLINE_convert(df)

Arguments

df A dataframe intended for conversion

Value

A numeric matrix suitable for BASSLINE functions

Examples

```
library(BASSLINE)
Time <- c(5,15,15)
Cens <- c(1,0,1)
experiment <- as.factor(c("chem1", "chem2", "chem3"))
age <- c(15,35,20)
df <- data.frame(Time, Cens, experiment, age)
converted <- BASSLINE_convert(df)
```

BF_lambda_obs_LLAP *Outlier detection for observation for the log-Laplace model*

Description

This returns a unique number corresponding to the Bayes Factor associated to the test $M_0 : \Lambda_{obs} = \lambda_{ref}$ versus $M_1 : \Lambda_{obs} \neq \lambda_{ref}$ (with all other $\Lambda_j, \neq obs$ free). The value of λ_{ref} is required as input. The user should expect long running times for the log-Student's t model, in which case a reduced chain given $\Lambda_{obs} = \lambda_{ref}$ needs to be generated

Usage

```
BF_lambda_obs_LLAP(obs, ref, X, chain)
```

Arguments

obs Indicates the number of the observation under analysis

ref Reference value λ_{ref} or u_{ref}

X Design matrix with dimensions $n \times k$ where n is the number of observations and k is the number of covariates (including the intercept).

chain MCMC chains generated by a BASSLINE MCMC function updates

Examples

```
#' library(BASSLINE)

# Please note: N=1000 is not enough to reach convergence.
# This is only an illustration. Run longer chains for more accurate
# estimations.
```

```
LLAP <- MCMC_LLAP(N = 1000, thin = 20, burn = 40, Time = cancer[, 1],
                 Cens = cancer[, 2], X = cancer[, 3:11])
LLAP.outlier <- BF_lambda_obs_LLAP(1,1, X = cancer[, 3:11], chain = LLAP)
```

BF_lambda_obs_LLOG *Outlier detection for observation for the log-logistic model*

Description

This returns a unique number corresponding to the Bayes Factor associated to the test $M_0 : \Lambda_{obs} = \lambda_{ref}$ versus $M_1 : \Lambda_{obs} \neq \lambda_{ref}$ (with all other $\Lambda_j, \neq obs$ free). The value of λ_{ref} is required as input. The user should expect long running times for the log-Student's t model, in which case a reduced chain given $\Lambda_{obs} = \lambda_{ref}$ needs to be generated

Usage

```
BF_lambda_obs_LLOG(ref, obs, X, chain)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|---|
| ref | Reference value λ_{ref} or u_{ref} |
| obs | Indicates the number of the observation under analysis |
| X | Design matrix with dimensions $n \times k$ where n is the number of observations and k is the number of covariates (including the intercept). |
| chain | MCMC chains generated by a BASSLINE MCMC function |

Examples

```
library(BASSLINE)

# Please note: N=1000 is not enough to reach convergence.
# This is only an illustration. Run longer chains for more accurate
# estimations.

LLOG <- MCMC_LLOG(N = 1000, thin = 20, burn = 40, Time = cancer[, 1],
                 Cens = cancer[, 2], X = cancer[, 3:11])
LLOG.Outlier <- BF_lambda_obs_LLOG(1,1, X = cancer[, 3:11], chain = LLOG)
```

BF_lambda_obs_LST *Outlier detection for observation for the log-student's t model*

Description

This returns a unique number corresponding to the Bayes Factor associated to the test $M_0 : \Lambda_{obs} = \lambda_{ref}$ versus $M_1 : \Lambda_{obs} \neq \lambda_{ref}$ (with all other $\Lambda_j, \neq obs$ free). The value of λ_{ref} is required as input. The user should expect long running times for the log-Student's t model, in which case a reduced chain given $\Lambda_{obs} = \lambda_{ref}$ needs to be generated

Usage

```
BF_lambda_obs_LST(
  N,
  thin,
  burn,
  ref,
  obs,
  Time,
  Cens,
  X,
  chain,
  Q = 1,
  prior = 2,
  set = TRUE,
  eps_l = 0.5,
  eps_r = 0.5,
  ar = 0.44
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|---|
| N | Total number of iterations. Must be a multiple of thin. |
| thin | Thinning period. |
| burn | Burn-in period |
| ref | Reference value λ_{ref} or u_{ref} |
| obs | Indicates the number of the observation under analysis |
| Time | Vector containing the survival times. |
| Cens | Censoring indication (1: observed, 0: right-censored). |
| X | Design matrix with dimensions $n \times k$ where n is the number of observations and k is the number of covariates (including the intercept). |
| chain | MCMC chains generated by a BASSLINE MCMC function |
| Q | Update period for the λ_i 's |
| prior | Indicator of prior (1: Jeffreys, 2: Type I Ind. Jeffreys, 3: Ind. Jeffreys). |

| | |
|-------|---|
| set | Indicator for the use of set observations (1: set observations, 0: point observations). The former is strongly recommended over the latter as point observations cause problems in the context of Bayesian inference (due to continuous sampling models assigning zero probability to a point). |
| eps_l | Lower imprecision (ϵ_l) for set observations (default value: 0.5). |
| eps_r | Upper imprecision (ϵ_r) for set observations (default value: 0.5) |
| ar | Optimal acceptance rate for the adaptive Metropolis-Hastings updates |

Examples

```
library(BASSLINE)

# Please note: N=1000 is not enough to reach convergence.
# This is only an illustration. Run longer chains for more accurate
# estimations.

LST <- MCMC_LST(N = 1000, thin = 20, burn = 40, Time = cancer[, 1],
               Cens = cancer[, 2], X = cancer[, 3:11])

LST.Outlier <- BF_lambda_obs_LST(N = 100, thin = 20, burn = 1, ref = 1,
                                obs = 1, Time = cancer[, 1],
                                Cens = cancer[, 2], X = cancer[, 3:11],
                                chain = LST)
```

BF_u_obs_LEP

Outlier detection for observation for the log-exponential power model

Description

This returns a unique number corresponding to the Bayes Factor associated to the test $M_0 : \Lambda_{obs} = \lambda_{ref}$ versus $M_1 : \Lambda_{obs} \neq \lambda_{ref}$ (with all other $\Lambda_j, \neq obs$ free). The value of λ_{ref} is required as input. The user should expect long running times for the log-Student's t model, in which case a reduced chain given $\Lambda_{obs} = \lambda_{ref}$ needs to be generated

Usage

```
BF_u_obs_LEP(
  N,
  thin,
  burn,
  ref,
  obs,
  Time,
  Cens,
  X,
  chain,
```

cancer

VA Lung Cancer Trial Dataset

Description

Data from a trial in which a therapy (standard or test chemotherapy) was randomly applied to 137 patients who were diagnosed with inoperable lung cancer. The survival times of the patients were measured in days since treatment.

Usage

cancer

Format

A matrix with 137 rows and 8 variables:

Time Survival time (in days)

Cens 0 or 1. If 0 the observation is right censored

Intercept The intercept

Treat The treatment applied to the patient (0: standard, 1: test)

Type.1 The histological type of the tumor (1: type 1, 0: otherwise)

Type.2 The histological type of the tumor (1: type 2, 0: otherwise)

Type.3 The histological type of the tumor (1: type 3, 0: otherwise)

Status A continuous index representing the status of the patient: 10—30 completely hospitalized, 40—60 partial confinement, 70—90 able to care for self.

MFD The time between the diagnosis and the treatment (in months)

Age Age (in years)

Prior Prior therapy, 0 or 10

Source

Appendix I of Kalbfleisch and Prentice (1980).

 DIC_LEP

Deviance information criterion for the log-exponential power model

Description

Deviance information criterion is based on the deviance function $D(\theta, y) = -2\log(f(y|\theta))$ but also incorporates a penalization factor of the complexity of the model

Usage

```
DIC_LEP(Time, Cens, X, chain, set = TRUE, eps_l = 0.5, eps_r = 0.5)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|---|
| Time | Vector containing the survival times. |
| Cens | Censoring indication (1: observed, 0: right-censored). |
| X | Design matrix with dimensions $n \times k$ where n is the number of observations and k is the number of covariates (including the intercept). |
| chain | MCMC chains generated by a BASSLINE MCMC function |
| set | Indicator for the use of set observations (1: set observations, 0: point observations). The former is strongly recommended over the latter as point observations cause problems in the context of Bayesian inference (due to continuous sampling models assigning zero probability to a point). |
| eps_l | Lower imprecision (ϵ_l) for set observations (default value: 0.5). |
| eps_r | Upper imprecision (ϵ_r) for set observations (default value: 0.5) |

Examples

```
library(BASSLINE)

# Please note: N=1000 is not enough to reach convergence.
# This is only an illustration. Run longer chains for more accurate
# estimations (especially for the log-exponential power model).

LEP <- MCMC_LEP(N = 1000, thin = 20, burn = 40, Time = cancer[, 1],
               Cens = cancer[, 2], X = cancer[, 3:11])
LEP.DIC <- DIC_LEP(Time = cancer[, 1], Cens = cancer[, 2],
                  X = cancer[, 3:11], chain = LEP)
```


DIC_LLOG

*Deviance information criterion for the log-logistic model***Description**

Deviance information criterion is based on the deviance function $D(\theta, y) = -2\log(f(y|\theta))$ but also incorporates a penalization factor of the complexity of the model

Usage

```
DIC_LLOG(Time, Cens, X, chain, set = TRUE, eps_l = 0.5, eps_r = 0.5)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|---|
| Time | Vector containing the survival times. |
| Cens | Censoring indication (1: observed, 0: right-censored). |
| X | Design matrix with dimensions $n \times k$ where n is the number of observations and k is the number of covariates (including the intercept). |
| chain | MCMC chains generated by a BASSLINE MCMC function |
| set | Indicator for the use of set observations (1: set observations, 0: point observations). The former is strongly recommended over the latter as point observations cause problems in the context of Bayesian inference (due to continuous sampling models assigning zero probability to a point). |
| eps_l | Lower imprecision (ϵ_l) for set observations (default value: 0.5). |
| eps_r | Upper imprecision (ϵ_r) for set observations (default value: 0.5) |

Examples

```
library(BASSLINE)

# Please note: N=1000 is not enough to reach convergence.
# This is only an illustration. Run longer chains for more accurate
# estimations.

LLOG <- MCMC_LLOG(N = 1000, thin = 20, burn = 40, Time = cancer[, 1],
                 Cens = cancer[, 2], X = cancer[, 3:11])
LLOG.DIC <- DIC_LLOG(Time = cancer[, 1], Cens = cancer[, 2],
                    X = cancer[, 3:11], chain = LLOG)
```


Description

Deviance information criterion is based on the deviance function $D(\theta, y) = -2\log(f(y|\theta))$ but also incorporates a penalization factor of the complexity of the model

Usage

```
DIC_LN(Time, Cens, X, chain, set = TRUE, eps_l = 0.5, eps_r = 0.5)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|---|
| Time | Vector containing the survival times. |
| Cens | Censoring indication (1: observed, 0: right-censored). |
| X | Design matrix with dimensions $n \times k$ where n is the number of observations and k is the number of covariates (including the intercept). |
| chain | MCMC chains generated by a BASSLINE MCMC function |
| set | Indicator for the use of set observations (1: set observations, 0: point observations). The former is strongly recommended over the latter as point observations cause problems in the context of Bayesian inference (due to continuous sampling models assigning zero probability to a point). |
| eps_l | Lower imprecision (ϵ_l) for set observations (default value: 0.5). |
| eps_r | Upper imprecision (ϵ_r) for set observations (default value: 0.5) |

Examples

```
library(BASSLINE)

# Please note: N=1000 is not enough to reach convergence.
# This is only an illustration. Run longer chains for more accurate
# estimations.LM

LN <- MCMC_LN(N = 1000, thin = 20, burn = 40, Time = cancer[, 1],
             Cens = cancer[, 2], X = cancer[, 3:11])
LN.DIC <- DIC_LN(Time = cancer[, 1], Cens = cancer[, 2], X = cancer[, 3:11],
                chain = LN)
```

 DIC_LST

Deviance information criterion for the log-student's t model

Description

Deviance information criterion is based on the deviance function $D(\theta, y) = -2\log(f(y|\theta))$ but also incorporates a penalization factor of the complexity of the model

Usage

```
DIC_LST(Time, Cens, X, chain, set = TRUE, eps_l = 0.5, eps_r = 0.5)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|---|
| Time | Vector containing the survival times. |
| Cens | Censoring indication (1: observed, 0: right-censored). |
| X | Design matrix with dimensions $n \times k$ where n is the number of observations and k is the number of covariates (including the intercept). |
| chain | MCMC chains generated by a BASSLINE MCMC function |
| set | Indicator for the use of set observations (1: set observations, 0: point observations). The former is strongly recommended over the latter as point observations cause problems in the context of Bayesian inference (due to continuous sampling models assigning zero probability to a point). |
| eps_l | Lower imprecision (ϵ_l) for set observations (default value: 0.5). |
| eps_r | Upper imprecision (ϵ_r) for set observations (default value: 0.5) |

Examples

```
library(BASSLINE)

# Please note: N=1000 is not enough to reach convergence.
# This is only an illustration. Run longer chains for more accurate
# estimations.

LST <- MCMC_LST(N = 1000, thin = 20, burn = 40, Time = cancer[, 1],
               Cens = cancer[, 2], X = cancer[, 3:11])
LST.DIC <- DIC_LST(Time = cancer[, 1], Cens = cancer[, 2],
                  X = cancer[, 3:11], chain = LST)
```

| | |
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| LML_LEP | <i>Log-marginal likelihood estimator for the log-exponential power model</i> |
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Description

Log-marginal likelihood estimator for the log-exponential power model

Usage

```
LML_LEP(
  thin,
  Time,
  Cens,
  X,
  chain,
  prior = 2,
  set = TRUE,
  eps_l = 0.5,
  eps_r = 0.5
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|---|
| thin | Thinning period. |
| Time | Vector containing the survival times. |
| Cens | Censoring indication (1: observed, 0: right-censored). |
| X | Design matrix with dimensions $n \times k$ where n is the number of observations and k is the number of covariates (including the intercept). |
| chain | MCMC chains generated by a BASSLINE MCMC function |
| prior | Indicator of prior (1: Jeffreys, 2: Type I Ind. Jeffreys, 3: Ind. Jeffreys). |
| set | Indicator for the use of set observations (1: set observations, 0: point observations). The former is strongly recommended over the latter as point observations cause problems in the context of Bayesian inference (due to continuous sampling models assigning zero probability to a point). |
| eps_l | Lower imprecision (ϵ_l) for set observations (default value: 0.5). |
| eps_r | Upper imprecision (ϵ_r) for set observations (default value: 0.5) |

Examples

```
library(BASSLINE)

# Please note: N=100 is not enough to reach convergence.
# This is only an illustration. Run longer chains for more accurate
# estimations (especially for the log-exponential power model).
```

```
LEP <- MCMC_LEP(N = 100, thin = 2, burn = 20, Time = cancer[, 1],
               Cens = cancer[, 2], X = cancer[, 3:11])
LEP.LML <- LML_LEP(thin = 2, Time = cancer[, 1], Cens = cancer[, 2],
                  X = cancer[, 3:11], chain = LEP)
```

LML_LLAP

Log-marginal likelihood estimator for the log-Laplace model

Description

Log-marginal likelihood estimator for the log-Laplace model

Usage

```
LML_LLAP(
  thin,
  Time,
  Cens,
  X,
  chain,
  Q = 1,
  prior = 2,
  set = TRUE,
  eps_l = 0.5,
  eps_r = 0.5
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------------------|---|
| <code>thin</code> | Thinning period. |
| <code>Time</code> | Vector containing the survival times. |
| <code>Cens</code> | Censoring indication (1: observed, 0: right-censored). |
| <code>X</code> | Design matrix with dimensions $n \times k$ where n is the number of observations and k is the number of covariates (including the intercept). |
| <code>chain</code> | MCMC chains generated by a BASSLINE MCMC function |
| <code>Q</code> | Update period for the λ_i 's |
| <code>prior</code> | Indicator of prior (1: Jeffreys, 2: Type I Ind. Jeffreys, 3: Ind. Jeffreys). |
| <code>set</code> | Indicator for the use of set observations (1: set observations, 0: point observations). The former is strongly recommended over the latter as point observations cause problems in the context of Bayesian inference (due to continuous sampling models assigning zero probability to a point). |
| <code>eps_l</code> | Lower imprecision (ϵ_l) for set observations (default value: 0.5). |
| <code>eps_r</code> | Upper imprecision (ϵ_r) for set observations (default value: 0.5) |

Examples

```
library(BASSLINE)

# Please note: N=1000 is not enough to reach convergence.
# This is only an illustration. Run longer chains for more accurate
# estimations.

LLAP <- MCMC_LLAP(N = 1000, thin = 20, burn = 40, Time = cancer[, 1],
                  Cens = cancer[, 2], X = cancer[, 3:11])
```

LML_LLOG

*Log-marginal likelihood estimator for the log-logistic model***Description**

Log-marginal likelihood estimator for the log-logistic model

Usage

```
LML_LLOG(
  thin,
  Time,
  Cens,
  X,
  chain,
  Q = 10,
  prior = 2,
  set = TRUE,
  eps_l = 0.5,
  eps_r = 0.5,
  N.AKS = 3
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------------------|---|
| <code>thin</code> | Thinning period. |
| <code>Time</code> | Vector containing the survival times. |
| <code>Cens</code> | Censoring indication (1: observed, 0: right-censored). |
| <code>X</code> | Design matrix with dimensions $n \times k$ where n is the number of observations and k is the number of covariates (including the intercept). |
| <code>chain</code> | MCMC chains generated by a BASSLINE MCMC function |
| <code>Q</code> | Update period for the λ_i 's |
| <code>prior</code> | Indicator of prior (1: Jeffreys, 2: Type I Ind. Jeffreys, 3: Ind. Jeffreys). |

| | |
|-------|---|
| set | Indicator for the use of set observations (1: set observations, 0: point observations). The former is strongly recommended over the latter as point observations cause problems in the context of Bayesian inference (due to continuous sampling models assigning zero probability to a point). |
| eps_l | Lower imprecision (ϵ_l) for set observations (default value: 0.5). |
| eps_r | Upper imprecision (ϵ_r) for set observations (default value: 0.5) |
| N.AKS | Maximum number of terms of the Kolmogorov-Smirnov density used for the rejection sampling when updating mixing parameters (default value: 3) |

Examples

```
library(BASSLINE)

# Please note: N=1000 is not enough to reach convergence.
# This is only an illustration. Run longer chains for more accurate
# estimations.

LLOG <- MCMC_LLOG(N = 1000, thin = 20, burn = 40, Time = cancer[, 1],
                 Cens = cancer[, 2], X = cancer[, 3:11])
LLOG.LML <- LML_LLOG(thin = 20, Time = cancer[, 1], Cens = cancer[, 2],
                    X = cancer[, 3:11], chain = LLOG)
```

LML_LN

Log-marginal Likelihood estimator for the log-normal model

Description

Log-marginal Likelihood estimator for the log-normal model

Usage

```
LML_LN(
  thin,
  Time,
  Cens,
  X,
  chain,
  prior = 2,
  set = TRUE,
  eps_l = 0.5,
  eps_r = 0.5
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|---|
| thin | Thinning period. |
| Time | Vector containing the survival times. |
| Cens | Censoring indication (1: observed, 0: right-censored). |
| X | Design matrix with dimensions $n \times k$ where n is the number of observations and k is the number of covariates (including the intercept). |
| chain | MCMC chains generated by a BASSLINE MCMC function |
| prior | Indicator of prior (1: Jeffreys, 2: Type I Ind. Jeffreys, 3: Ind. Jeffreys). |
| set | Indicator for the use of set observations (1: set observations, 0: point observations). The former is strongly recommended over the latter as point observations cause problems in the context of Bayesian inference (due to continuous sampling models assigning zero probability to a point). |
| eps_l | Lower imprecision (ϵ_l) for set observations (default value: 0.5). |
| eps_r | Upper imprecision (ϵ_r) for set observations (default value: 0.5) |

Examples

```
library(BASSLINE)

# Please note: N=1000 is not enough to reach convergence.
# This is only an illustration. Run longer chains for more accurate
# estimations.LM

LN <- MCMC_LN(N = 1000, thin = 20, burn = 40, Time = cancer[, 1],
             Cens = cancer[, 2], X = cancer[, 3:11])
LN.LML <- LML_LN(thin = 20, Time = cancer[, 1], Cens = cancer[, 2],
                X = cancer[, 3:11], chain = LN)
```

LML_LST

Log-marginal Likelihood estimator for the log-student's t model

Description

Log-marginal Likelihood estimator for the log-student's t model

Usage

```
LML_LST(
  thin,
  Time,
  Cens,
  X,
  chain,
  Q = 1,
```

```

prior = 2,
set = TRUE,
eps_l = 0.5,
eps_r = 0.5
)

```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|---|
| thin | Thinning period. |
| Time | Vector containing the survival times. |
| Cens | Censoring indication (1: observed, 0: right-censored). |
| X | Design matrix with dimensions $n \times k$ where n is the number of observations and k is the number of covariates (including the intercept). |
| chain | MCMC chains generated by a BASSLINE MCMC function |
| Q | Update period for the λ_i 's |
| prior | Indicator of prior (1: Jeffreys, 2: Type I Ind. Jeffreys, 3: Ind. Jeffreys). |
| set | Indicator for the use of set observations (1: set observations, 0: point observations). The former is strongly recommended over the latter as point observations cause problems in the context of Bayesian inference (due to continuous sampling models assigning zero probability to a point). |
| eps_l | Lower imprecision (ϵ_l) for set observations (default value: 0.5). |
| eps_r | Upper imprecision (ϵ_r) for set observations (default value: 0.5) |

Examples

```

library(BASSLINE)

# Please note: N=1000 is not enough to reach convergence.
# This is only an illustration. Run longer chains for more accurate
# estimations.

LST <- MCMC_LST(N = 1000, thin = 20, burn = 40, Time = cancer[, 1],
               Cens = cancer[, 2], X = cancer[, 3:11])

LST.LML <- LML_LST(thin = 20, Time = cancer[, 1], Cens = cancer[, 2],
                  X = cancer[, 3:11], chain = LST)

```

Description

Adaptive Metropolis-within-Gibbs algorithm with univariate Gaussian random walk proposals for the log-exponential model

Usage

```

MCMC_LEP(
  N,
  thin,
  burn,
  Time,
  Cens,
  X,
  beta0 = NULL,
  sigma20 = NULL,
  alpha0 = NULL,
  prior = 2,
  set = TRUE,
  eps_l = 0.5,
  eps_r = 0.5,
  ar = 0.44
)

```

Arguments

| | |
|---------|---|
| N | Total number of iterations. Must be a multiple of thin. |
| thin | Thinning period. |
| burn | Burn-in period. Must be a multiple of thin. |
| Time | Vector containing the survival times. |
| Cens | Censoring indication (1: observed, 0: right-censored). |
| X | Design matrix with dimensions $n \times k$ where n is the number of observations and k is the number of covariates (including the intercept). |
| beta0 | Starting values for β . If not provided, they will be randomly generated from a normal distribution. |
| sigma20 | Starting value for σ^2 . If not provided, it will be randomly generated from a gamma distribution. |
| alpha0 | Starting value for α . If not provided, then it will be randomly generated from a uniform distribution. |
| prior | Indicator of prior (1: Jeffreys, 2: Type I Ind. Jeffreys, 3: Ind. Jeffreys). |
| set | Indicator for the use of set observations (1: set observations, 0: point observations). The former is strongly recommended over the latter as point observations cause problems in the context of Bayesian inference (due to continuous sampling models assigning zero probability to a point). |
| eps_l | Lower imprecision (ϵ_l) for set observations (default value: 0.5). |
| eps_r | Upper imprecision (ϵ_r) for set observations (default value: 0.5) |
| ar | Optimal acceptance rate for the adaptive Metropolis-Hastings updates |

Value

A matrix with $N/\text{thin} + 1$ rows. The columns are the MCMC chains for β (k columns), σ^2 (1 column), θ (1 column, if appropriate), u (n columns, not provided for log-normal model), $\log(t)$ (n columns, simulated via data augmentation) and the logarithm of the adaptive variances (the number varies among models). The latter allows the user to evaluate if the adaptive variances have been stabilized.

Examples

```
library(BASSLINE)

# Please note: N=1000 is not enough to reach convergence.
# This is only an illustration. Run longer chains for more accurate
# estimations (especially for the log-exponential power model).

LEP <- MCMC_LEP(N = 1000, thin = 20, burn = 40, Time = cancer[, 1],
               Cens = cancer[, 2], X = cancer[, 3:11])
```

MCMC_LLAP

MCMC algorithm for the log-Laplace model

Description

Adaptive Metropolis-within-Gibbs algorithm with univariate Gaussian random walk proposals for the log-Laplace model

Usage

```
MCMC_LLAP(
  N,
  thin,
  burn,
  Time,
  Cens,
  X,
  Q = 1,
  beta0 = NULL,
  sigma20 = NULL,
  prior = 2,
  set = TRUE,
  eps_l = 0.5,
  eps_r = 0.5
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------|---|
| N | Total number of iterations. Must be a multiple of thin. |
| thin | Thinning period. |
| burn | Burn-in period. Must be a multiple of thin. |
| Time | Vector containing the survival times. |
| Cens | Censoring indication (1: observed, 0: right-censored). |
| X | Design matrix with dimensions $n \times k$ where n is the number of observations and k is the number of covariates (including the intercept). |
| Q | Update period for the λ_i 's |
| beta0 | Starting values for β . If not provided, they will be randomly generated from a normal distribution. |
| sigma20 | Starting value for σ^2 . If not provided, it will be randomly generated from a gamma distribution. |
| prior | Indicator of prior (1: Jeffreys, 2: Type I Ind. Jeffreys, 3: Ind. Jeffreys). |
| set | Indicator for the use of set observations (1: set observations, 0: point observations). The former is strongly recommended over the latter as point observations cause problems in the context of Bayesian inference (due to continuous sampling models assigning zero probability to a point). |
| eps_l | Lower imprecision (ϵ_l) for set observations (default value: 0.5). |
| eps_r | Upper imprecision (ϵ_r) for set observations (default value: 0.5) |

Value

A matrix with $N/\text{thin} + 1$ rows. The columns are the MCMC chains for β (k columns), σ^2 (1 column), θ (1 column, if appropriate), λ (n columns, not provided for log-normal model), $\log(t)$ (n columns, simulated via data augmentation) and the logarithm of the adaptive variances (the number varies among models). The latter allows the user to evaluate if the adaptive variances have been stabilized.

Examples

```
library(BASSLINE)

# Please note: N=1000 is not enough to reach convergence.
# This is only an illustration. Run longer chains for more accurate
# estimations.

LLAP <- MCMC_LLAP(N = 1000, thin = 20, burn = 40, Time = cancer[, 1],
                  Cens = cancer[, 2], X = cancer[, 3:11])
```

MCMC_LLOG

*MCMC algorithm for the log-logistic model***Description**

Adaptive Metropolis-within-Gibbs algorithm with univariate Gaussian random walk proposals for the log-logistic model

Usage

```
MCMC_LLOG(
  N,
  thin,
  burn,
  Time,
  Cens,
  X,
  Q = 10,
  beta0 = NULL,
  sigma20 = NULL,
  prior = 2,
  set = TRUE,
  eps_l = 0.5,
  eps_r = 0.5,
  N.AKS = 3
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------|---|
| N | Total number of iterations. Must be a multiple of thin. |
| thin | Thinning period. |
| burn | Burn-in period. Must be a multiple of thin. |
| Time | Vector containing the survival times. |
| Cens | Censoring indication (1: observed, 0: right-censored). |
| X | Design matrix with dimensions $n \times k$ where n is the number of observations and k is the number of covariates (including the intercept). |
| Q | Update period for the λ_i 's |
| beta0 | Starting values for β . If not provided, they will be randomly generated from a normal distribution. |
| sigma20 | Starting value for σ^2 . If not provided, it will be randomly generated from a gamma distribution. |
| prior | Indicator of prior (1: Jeffreys, 2: Type I Ind. Jeffreys, 3: Ind. Jeffreys). |

| | |
|-------|---|
| set | Indicator for the use of set observations (1: set observations, 0: point observations). The former is strongly recommended over the latter as point observations cause problems in the context of Bayesian inference (due to continuous sampling models assigning zero probability to a point). |
| eps_l | Lower imprecision (ϵ_l) for set observations (default value: 0.5). |
| eps_r | Upper imprecision (ϵ_r) for set observations (default value: 0.5) |
| N.AKS | Maximum number of terms of the Kolmogorov-Smirnov density used for the rejection sampling when updating mixing parameters (default value: 3) |

Value

A matrix with $N/\text{thin} + 1$ rows. The columns are the MCMC chains for β (k columns), σ^2 (1 column), θ (1 column, if appropriate), λ (n columns, not provided for log-normal model), $\log(t)$ (n columns, simulated via data augmentation) and the logarithm of the adaptive variances (the number varies among models). The latter allows the user to evaluate if the adaptive variances have been stabilized.

Examples

```
library(BASSLINE)

# Please note: N=1000 is not enough to reach convergence.
# This is only an illustration. Run longer chains for more accurate
# estimations.

LLOG <- MCMC_LLOG(N = 1000, thin = 20, burn = 40, Time = cancer[, 1],
                 Cens = cancer[, 2], X = cancer[, 3:11])
```

MCMC_LN

MCMC algorithm for the log-normal model

Description

Adaptive Metropolis-within-Gibbs algorithm with univariate Gaussian random walk proposals for the log-normal model (no mixture)

Usage

```
MCMC_LN(
  N,
  thin,
  burn,
  Time,
  Cens,
  X,
  beta0 = NULL,
```

```

sigma20 = NULL,
prior = 2,
set = TRUE,
eps_l = 0.5,
eps_r = 0.5
)

```

Arguments

| | |
|---------|---|
| N | Total number of iterations. Must be a multiple of thin. |
| thin | Thinning period. |
| burn | Burn-in period. Must be a multiple of thin. |
| Time | Vector containing the survival times. |
| Cens | Censoring indication (1: observed, 0: right-censored). |
| X | Design matrix with dimensions $n \times k$ where n is the number of observations and k is the number of covariates (including the intercept). |
| beta0 | Starting values for β . If not provided, they will be randomly generated from a normal distribution. |
| sigma20 | Starting value for σ^2 . If not provided, it will be randomly generated from a gamma distribution. |
| prior | Indicator of prior (1: Jeffreys, 2: Type I Ind. Jeffreys, 3: Ind. Jeffreys). |
| set | Indicator for the use of set observations (1: set observations, 0: point observations). The former is strongly recommended over the latter as point observations cause problems in the context of Bayesian inference (due to continuous sampling models assigning zero probability to a point). |
| eps_l | Lower imprecision (ϵ_l) for set observations (default value: 0.5). |
| eps_r | Upper imprecision (ϵ_r) for set observations (default value: 0.5) |

Value

A matrix with $(N - burn)/thin + 1$ rows. The columns are the MCMC chains for β (k columns), σ^2 (1 column), θ (1 column, if appropriate), $\log(t)$ (n columns, simulated via data augmentation) and the logarithm of the adaptive variances (the number varies among models). The latter allows the user to evaluate if the adaptive variances have been stabilized.

Examples

```

library(BASSLINE)

# Please note: N=1000 is not enough to reach convergence.
# This is only an illustration. Run longer chains for more accurate
# estimations.

LN <- MCMC_LN(N = 1000, thin = 20, burn = 40, Time = cancer[, 1],
             Cens = cancer[, 2], X = cancer[, 3:11])

```

MCMC_LST

*MCMC algorithm for the log-student's t model***Description**

Adaptive Metropolis-within-Gibbs algorithm with univariate Gaussian random walk proposals for the log-student's T model (no mixture)

Usage

```
MCMC_LST(
  N,
  thin,
  burn,
  Time,
  Cens,
  X,
  Q = 1,
  beta0 = NULL,
  sigma20 = NULL,
  nu0 = NULL,
  prior = 2,
  set = TRUE,
  eps_l = 0.5,
  eps_r = 0.5,
  ar = 0.44
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------|---|
| N | Total number of iterations. Must be a multiple of thin. |
| thin | Thinning period. |
| burn | Burn-in period. Must be a multiple of thin. |
| Time | Vector containing the survival times. |
| Cens | Censoring indication (1: observed, 0: right-censored). |
| X | Design matrix with dimensions $n \times k$ where n is the number of observations and k is the number of covariates (including the intercept). |
| Q | Update period for the λ_i 's |
| beta0 | Starting values for β . If not provided, they will be randomly generated from a normal distribution. |
| sigma20 | Starting value for σ^2 . If not provided, it will be randomly generated from a gamma distribution. |
| nu0 | Starting value for v . If not provided, then it will be randomly generated from a gamma distribution. |

| | |
|-------|---|
| prior | Indicator of prior (1: Jeffreys, 2: Type I Ind. Jeffreys, 3: Ind. Jeffreys). |
| set | Indicator for the use of set observations (1: set observations, 0: point observations). The former is strongly recommended over the latter as point observations cause problems in the context of Bayesian inference (due to continuous sampling models assigning zero probability to a point). |
| eps_l | Lower imprecision (ϵ_l) for set observations (default value: 0.5). |
| eps_r | Upper imprecision (ϵ_r) for set observations (default value: 0.5) |
| ar | Optimal acceptance rate for the adaptive Metropolis-Hastings updates |

Value

A matrix with $N/thin + 1$ rows. The columns are the MCMC chains for β (k columns), σ^2 (1 column), θ (1 column, if appropriate), λ (n columns, not provided for log-normal model), $\log(t)$ (n columns, simulated via data augmentation) and the logarithm of the adaptive variances (the number varies among models). The latter allows the user to evaluate if the adaptive variances have been stabilized.

Examples

```
library(BASSLINE)

# Please note: N=1000 is not enough to reach convergence.
# This is only an illustration. Run longer chains for more accurate
# estimations.

LST <- MCMC_LST(N = 1000, thin = 20, burn = 40, Time = cancer[, 1],
               Cens = cancer[, 2], X = cancer[, 3:11])
```

| | |
|------------|--|
| Trace_plot | <i>Produce a trace plot of a variable's MCMC chain</i> |
|------------|--|

Description

Plots the chain across (non-discarded) iterations for a specified observation

Usage

```
Trace_plot(variable = NULL, chain = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|---|
| variable | Indicates the index of the variable |
| chain | MCMC chains generated by a BASSLINE MCMC function |

Value

A ggplot2 object

Examples

```
library(BASSLINE)

# Please note: N=1000 is not enough to reach convergence.
# This is only an illustration. Run longer chains for more accurate
# estimations.

LN <- MCMC_LN(N = 1000, thin = 20, burn = 40, Time = cancer[, 1],
             Cens = cancer[, 2], X = cancer[, 3:11])
Trace_plot(1, LN)
```

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