# Package 'catregs'

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**Description** Several functions for working with mixed effects regression models for limited dependent variables. The functions facilitate post-estimation of model predictions or mar-

gins, and comparisons between model predictions for assessing or probing moderation. Additional helper functions facilitate model comparisons and implements simulation-based infer-

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# Description

Given two marginal effects (AMEs or MEMs), as estimated via the margins package or via first.diff.fitted, this function simulates draws from the distribution of MEs defined by the estimates and their standard error, and computes the overlap in the two distributions. The p-value refers to proportion of times the two draws overlapped.

# Usage

compare.margins(margins,margins.ses,seed=1234,rounded=3,nsim=10000)

# Arguments

margins The two marginal effects that you want to compare.

margins.ses The standard errors for the marginal effects you want to compare.

seed Random number seed so that results are reproducible.

rounded The number of decimal places to round the output. The default is 3.

nsim The number of simulated AMEs to draw from each distribution. The default is

10,000.

## Value

differnce The observed difference in the two AMEs.

p.value The p-value associated with the difference. This is the proportion of the simu-

lated sample when the MEs overlapped.

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#### Author(s)

David Melamed

## **Examples**

count.fit

Fits four different count models and compares them.

## **Description**

Given a Poisson model object, count.fit fits Poisson, negative binomial, zero-inflated Poisson, and zero-inflated negative binomial models to the data. It reports results of Vuong tests between the zero-inflated and non-zer-inflated models, summarizes the information criteria of the four models, summarizes the model output of the four models, creates a ggplot object of coefficient plots for each model, and creates a ggplot object of model residuals.

## Usage

```
count.fit(m1,y.range,rounded=3,use.color="yes")
```

# **Arguments**

m1 A Poisson regression model, as estimated via the glm function.

y.range The observed response range for the count outcome. For example, if the ob-

served range is 0 to 18, this would be 0:18

rounded The number of decimal places to round the output. The default is 3.

use.color Whether to use color in the ggplot objects. Default is "yes"

#### Value

ic A data frame summarizing the information criteria for the four models. Bayesian

and Akaike's information criteria are included.

models A summary of the model estimates, including coefficients and standard errors.

pic A ggplot object illustrating model residuals for each type of model.

models.pic A ggplot object of coefficient plots from each type of model.

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## Author(s)

David Melamed

## **Examples**

```
data("LF06art")
p1 <- glm(art ~ fem + mar + kid5 + phd + ment , family = "poisson", data = LF06art)
table(LF06art$art)
fit<-count.fit(p1,0:19)
names(fit)</pre>
```

diagn

Computes diagnostics for generalized linear models.

## **Description**

Given a glm object, diagn returns case-level diagnostics. For logistic, probit, Poisson, and negative binomial models, it returns Pearson residuals, standardized Pearson residuals, the diagonal of the hat matrix, delta-beta (Cook's D), and deviance residuals. For zero-inflated and hurdle models, it returns the Pearson residual and the observation number.

# Usage

```
diagn(model)
```

# **Arguments**

mode1

A model object. The model should be regression model for limited dependent variables, such as a logistic regression.

## Value

out

The output is a dataframe of diagnostic statistics. For logit, probit, Poisson, and negative binomial models, the output includes the Pearson residual (pearsonres), the diagonal of the Hat matrix (h), the standardized Pearson residual (stdpres), the delta-beta statistic (deltabeta), the observation number (obs), and the deviance residual (devres). For zero-inflated and hurdle models, the output includes the Pearson residual (pearsonres), and the observation number (obs).

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David Melamed

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## **Examples**

```
data("Mize19AH")
m1 <- glm(alcB ~woman*parrole + age + race2 + race3 +
race4 + income + ed1 + ed2 + ed3 + ed4,
family="binomial",data=Mize19AH)
head(diagn(m1))</pre>
```

ess

A subset of data from the European Social Survey

## **Description**

These are data from the European Social Survey used to illustrate mixed effects, multilevel, or hierarchical regression models.

## Usage

```
data("ess")
```

#### **Format**

A data frame with 49519 observations on the following 37 variables.

```
country a character vector
can.trust.people a numeric vector
people.try.fair a numeric vector
say.in.govt a factor with levels Not at all Very little Some A lot A great deal
trust.legal.sys a numeric vector
trust.police a numeric vector
vote a factor with levels Yes No Not eligible to vote
conservative a numeric vector
life.satisfaction a numeric vector
immigration.good.economy a numeric vector
happy a numeric vector
important.matters.people a character vector
walk.alone.dark a factor with levels Very unsafe Unsafe Safe Very safe
religious a numeric vector
ethnic.minority a character vector
num.children a numeric vector
ideal.age.parent a numeric vector
household.size a numeric vector
gender a character vector
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```
age a numeric vector
marital a character vector
education a numeric vector
employment a character vector
income.decile a numeric vector
father.education a character vector
father.education.num a numeric vector
everyone.job.wanted a numeric vector
income.fairness a factor with levels Low, extremely unfair Low, very unfair Low, somewhat
    unfair Low, slightly unfair Fair High, slightly unfair High, somewhat unfair High,
     very unfair High, extremely unfair
under.over.paid a factor with levels Underpaid Right amount Overpaid
income.fairness.num a numeric vector
wealth.diff.fair a factor with levels Small, extremely unfair Small, very unfair Small,
     somewhat unfair Small, slightly unfair Fair Large, slightly unfair Large, somewhat
    unfair Large, very unfair Large, extremely unfair
wealth.differences a factor with levels Too little Just right Too much
gdp a numeric vector
urban.population a numeric vector
unemployment a numeric vector
alcolhol.consumption a numeric vector
suicide.rate a numeric vector
```

#### Source

European Social Survey.

## **Examples**

data(ess)
head(ess)

essUK

A subset of data from the European Social Survey

#### **Description**

These are data from respondents in the United Kingdom from the European Social Survey. They are used to illustrate regression models for limited dependent variables.

## Usage

```
data("essUK")
```

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#### **Format**

A data frame with 2204 observations on the following 45 variables. country a character vector can.trust.people a numeric vector people.try.fair a numeric vector say.in.govt a factor with levels Not at all Very little Some A lot A great deal trust.legal.sys a numeric vector trust.police a numeric vector vote a factor with levels Yes No Not eligible to vote conservative a numeric vector life.satisfaction a numeric vector immigration.good.economy a numeric vector happy a numeric vector important.matters.people a character vector walk.alone.dark a factor with levels Very unsafe Unsafe Safe Very safe religious a numeric vector ethnic.minority a character vector num.children a numeric vector ideal.age.parent a numeric vector household.size a numeric vector gender a character vector age a numeric vector marital a character vector education a numeric vector employment a character vector income.decile a numeric vector father.education a character vector father.education.num a numeric vector everyone.job.wanted a numeric vector income.fairness a factor with levels Low, extremely unfair Low, very unfair Low, somewhat unfair Low, slightly unfair Fair High, slightly unfair High, somewhat unfair High, very unfair High, extremely unfair under.over.paid a factor with levels Underpaid Right amount Overpaid income.fairness.num a numeric vector wealth.diff.fair a factor with levels Small, extremely unfair Small, very unfair Small, somewhat unfair Small, slightly unfair Fair Large, slightly unfair Large, somewhat unfair Large, very unfair Large, extremely unfair wealth.differences a factor with levels Too little Just right Too much

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gdp a numeric vector
urban.population a numeric vector
unemployment a numeric vector
alcolhol.consumption a numeric vector
suicide.rate a numeric vector
safe a numeric vector
minority a numeric vector
female a numeric vector
divorced a numeric vector
married a numeric vector
widow a numeric vector
highinc a numeric vector
age2 a numeric vector

#### **Source**

European Social Survey.

# **Examples**

data(essUK)
head(essUK)

first.diff.fitted

Computes the first difference in fitted values, or a series of first differences. Inference in supported via the delta method or bootstrapping.

# **Description**

first.diff.fitted computes first differences between fitted values from a regression model.

Supported models include OLS regression via lm, logistic regression via glm, Poisson regression via glm, negative binomial regression via MASS:glm.nb, ordinal logistic regression via MASS::polr, partial proportional odds models via vgam::vglm, multinomial logistic regression via nnet::multinom, zero-inflated Poisson or negative binomial regression via pscl::burdle, mixed effects logistic regression via lme4/lmerTest::glmer, mixed effects Poisson regression via lme4/lmerTest::glmer, mixed effects negative binomial regression via neg

## Usage

```
first.diff.fitted(mod,design.matrix,compare,alpha=.05,rounded=3,
bootstrap="no",num.sample=1000,prop.sample=.9,data,seed=1234,cum.probs="no")
```

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## **Arguments**

mod A model object. The model should be regression model for limited dependent

variables, such as a logistic regression.

design.matrix Design matrix of values for the independent variables in the regression model.

compare Pairs of rows in the design matrix to use for computing the fitted values. The

first difference between the fitted values is then computed. For example, compare=c(4,2) means to compute the difference in the fitted values between predictions for row 4 of the design matrix and row 2 of the design matrix. If more than two rows are provided, the function uses them two at a time and computes

multiple first differences.

alpha The alpha value for confidence intervals. Default is .05.

rounded The number of decimal places to round the output. The default is 3.

bootstrap By default, inference is based on the Delta Method, as implemented in the

marginaleffects package. Alternatively, inference can be based upon a bootstrapped sampling distirbution. To do so, change this to "yes." Note that boot-

strapping is only supported for one first difference at a time.

num.sample is the number samples drawn to compute the sampling distibution

when using bootstrapping. Default is 1,000

prop.sample prop.sample is the proportion of the original sample (with replacement) to in-

clude in the sampling distibution samples when using bootstrapping. Default is

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data For nonparametric inference, provide the data used in the original model state-

ment.

seed For models using bootstrapped inference. The seed ensures reproducible results

across runs. Default is 1234, but may be changed.

cum.probs For ordinal logistic regression models, including mixed effects models, do you

want the first differences to be based on probabilities of the response categories or cumulative probabilities of the response categories. The default is cum.probs=="no" corresponding to non-cumulative probabilities. Change cum.probs

to "yes" for cumulative probabilities.

#### Value

out

If using parametric inference (delta method): output is a dataframe including the first fitted value ("fitted1"), the second fitted value ("fitted2"), the difference in fitted values ("first.diff"), the standard error ("std.error"), the lower limit ("ll"), and upper limit ("ul") of the confidence interval. Of course, ll and ul are based on the alpha level. If using nonparametric inference (bootstrapping): output is a list of objects. obs.diff is the observed difference in the response or fitted values. boot.dist is the sorted bootstrapped distribution of differences in the samples. mean.boot.dist is the average of the differences in the responses or fitted values. sd.boot.dist is the standard deviation of the sampling distribution. ci.95 is the Lower and Upper limits of the confidence interval; despite it's name, the confidence interval is based upon the alpha level. model.class is just the class of the model that was used to generate the fitted values.

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## Author(s)

David Melamed

## **Examples**

```
data("Mize19AH")
m1 <- glm(alcB ~woman*parrole + age + race2 +
race3 + race4 + income + ed1 + ed2 + ed3 +
ed4,family="binomial",data=Mize19AH)
des2<-margins.des(m1,expand.grid(woman=c(0,1),parrole=c(0,1)))
des2
first.diff.fitted(m1,des2,compare=c(4,2))
# Pr(Drink | Mothers) - Pr(Drink | Childless Women)
first.diff.fitted(m1,des2,compare=c(3,1))
# Pr(Drink | Fathers) - Pr(Drink | Childless Men)</pre>
```

gss2016

Data from the 2016 General Social Survey.

## **Description**

Limited date from the 2016 General Social Survey on respondent and paternal class and occupational classifications.

# Usage

```
data("gss2016")
```

## Format

A data frame with 12498 observations on the following 13 variables.

pclass a factor with levels Unskilled Manual Skilled Manual Self-Employed Non-Manual/Service Professional, Lower Professional, Higher

sclass a factor with levels Unskilled Manual Skilled Manual Self-Employed Non-Manual/Service Professional, Lower Professional, Higher

educ a numeric vector
race a character vector
id a numeric vector
occ2 a character vector
occ a numeric vector
unskmanual a numeric vector
skmanual a numeric vector
selfemp a numeric vector
service a numeric vector
proflow a numeric vector

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# **Source**

The General Social Survey.

# **Examples**

```
data(gss2016)
head(gss2016)
```

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Data to replicate Long and Freese's (2006) count models (pp354-414)

# **Description**

For replication purposes between Stata and R. Long and Freese (2006) analyze these data to illustrate regression models for count dependent variables.

# Usage

```
data("LF06art")
```

# **Format**

A data frame with 915 observations on the following 6 variables.

```
art count response

fem dummy for sex

mar dummy for married

kid5 number of children under five

phd a numeric vector

ment a numeric vector
```

## **Source**

Long, Scott J. and Jeremy Freese. 2006. "Regression Models for Categorical Dependent Variables Using Stata." Austin, TX: Stata Press

# **Examples**

```
data(LF06art)
head(LF06art)
```

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LF06travel

Travel time example data for alternative-specific outcomes.

# Description

Example data, also used in Long and Freese (2006), to illustrate conditional or fixed effects logistic regression. Also refered to as alternative-specific outcomes.

# Usage

```
data("LF06travel")
```

#### **Format**

A data frame with 456 observations on the following 13 variables.

id a numeric vector denoting nested units (individuals) or strata

mode a numeric vector denoting mode of transit

train a dummy variable for selecting the train

bus a dummy variable for selecting the bus

car a dummy variable for selecting a car

time a numeric vector denoting transit time

invc a numeric vector denoting invertng cost

choice a numeric vector denoting the choice of travel, i.e. the dependent variable

ttme a numeric vector

invt a numeric vector

gc a numeric vector

hinc a numeric vector

psize a numeric vector

#### **Source**

Long, Scott J. and Jeremy Freese. 2006. "Regression Models for Categorical Dependent Variables Using Stata." Austin, TX: Stata Press

## **Examples**

```
data(LF06travel)
head(LF06travel)
```

list.coef

list.coef	Transform glm and mixed model objects into model summaries that include coefficients, standard errors, exponentiated coefficients, confidence intervals and percent change.

# **Description**

Given a glm model object or a mixed model model object, the function computes and returns: coefficients, standard errors, z-scores, confidence intervals, p-values, exponentiated coefficients, confidence intervals for exponentiated coefficients, and percent change.

Supported models include logistic regression via the glm function, ordinal regression via mass::polr, multinomial regression via nnet:multinom, Poisson regression via the glm function, negative binomial regression via mass::glm.nb, mixed effects models for continuous outcomes with serial correlation via nlme::lme, mixed effects logistic and poisson regression via lme4::glmer, mixed effects negative binomial regression via lme4::glmer.nb, and mixed effects ordinal regression via ordinal::clmm.

# Usage

list.coef(model,rounded=3,alpha=.05)

#### **Arguments**

A model object. The model should be regression model for limited dependent variables, such as a logistic regression, or a mixed model from nlme or lme4/lmerTest.
The number of decimal places to round the output. The default is 3.
The alpha value for confidence intervals. Default is .05.

#### Value

b	The estimated model coefficients from the model object.
S.E.	The estimated model standard errors from the model object.
Z	The z-statistic corresponding to the coefficient.
LL CI	Given the coefficient, standard error and alpha value (default=.05), the lower limit of the confidence interval around the coefficient is reported.
UL CI	Given the coefficient, standard error and alpha value (default=.05), the upper limit of the confidence interval around the coefficient is reported.
p-val	The p-value associated with the z-statistic.
exp(b)	The exponentiated model coefficients. That is, odds ratios in the case of a logistic regression, or incidence rate ratios in the case of a count model.
LL CI for exp(b)	

Given the exponentiated coefficient, standard error and alpha value (default=.05), the lower limit of the confidence interval around the exponentiated coefficient is reported.

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UL CI for exp(b)

Given the exponentiated coefficient, standard error and alpha value (default=.05), the upper limit of the confidence interval around the exponentiated coefficient is reported.

Percent

The coefficients in terms of percent change. That is, 100\*(exp(coef(model))-1)

## Author(s)

David Melamed

## **Examples**

```
data("Mize19AH")
m1 <- glm(alcB ~woman*parrole + age + race2 +
race3 + race4 + income + ed1 + ed2 + ed3 +
ed4,family="binomial",data=Mize19AH)
list.coef(m1,rounded=4)
list.coef(m1,rounded=4,alpha=.01)</pre>
```

logan

Replication data for Logan's (1983) application of conditional logistic regression to mobility processes.

## **Description**

Replication data for Logan's (1983) application of conditional logistic regression to mobility processes.

# Usage

```
data("logan")
```

#### **Format**

A data frame with 4190 observations on the following 11 variables.

occupation respondent occupation with levels farm operatives craftsmen sales professional focc paternal occupation, i.e., father's occupation with levels farm operatives craftsmen sales professional

education a numeric vector
race a factor with levels non-black black
id a numeric vector
tocc a factor with levels farm operatives craftsmen sales professional
case a numeric vector
craftsmen a numeric vector
farm a numeric vector
operatives a numeric vector
professional a numeric vector

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#### References

Logan, John A. 1983. "A Multivariate Model for Mobility Tables." American Journal of Sociology 89(2):324–349.

## **Examples**

data(logan)
head(logan)

margins.dat

Add model predictions, standard errors and confidence intervals to a design matrix for a model object.

# **Description**

Given a model object and a design matrix, this creates a data frame of the design matrix, with model predictions, standard errors and lower/upper limits of confidence intervals around the predictions. This is a wrap around function for calls to emmeans; it adjusts the emmeans equation to return fitted values on the response scale.

Supported models include OLS regression via lm, logistic regression via glm, Poisson regression via glm, negative binomial regression via MASS:glm.nb, ordinal logistic regression via MASS::polr, multinomial logistic regression via nnet::multinom, zero-inflated Poisson or negative binomial regression via pscl::zeroinfl, hurdle Poisson or negative binomial regression via pscl::hurdle, linear mixed effects models with or without serial correlation via nlme::lme, linear mixed effects models via lme4/lmerTest::lmer, mixed effects logistic regression via lme4/lmerTest::glmer, mixed effects Poisson regression via lme4/lmerTest::glmer, mixed effects negative binomial regression via lme4/lmerTest::glmer.nb, and mixed effects ordinal logistic regression via ordinal::clmm.

For mixed effects ordinal logistic regression models, as estimated via the ordinal package, the outcome variable in the regression model (i.e., the clmm function) needs to be named "dv."

Given one of these model objects and an appropriate design matrix, the function detects the model response type and generates fitted values on the response scale. For example, a logistic regression model returns predicted probabilities, and a Poisson model returns the fitted counts. In addition to the fitted values, the function returns the delta method standard error for the fitted value and a confidence interval. The confidence interval is 95 percent by default, but that may be changed by the user.

# Usage

```
margins.dat(mod,des,alpha=.05,rounded=3,cumulate="no",
pscl.data=data,num.sample=1000,prop.sample=.9,seed=1234)
```

## Arguments

mod A regression model object.

des Design matrix of values for the independent variables in the regression model.

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The alpha value for confidence intervals. Default is .05. alpha rounded The number of decimal places to round the output. The default is 3. cumulate Whether the fitted values should reflect cumulative probabilities. Default is "no." Intended for predicted probabilities drawn from ordinal logistic regression models (polr) or mixed effects ordinal logistic regression (clmm). If generating predicted counts from Zero-Inflated models (either Poisson or negpscl.data ative binomial), you need to include the data that was specified in the model statement, i.e., the data in the "mod" object. num.sample num.sample is the number samples drawn to compute the sampling distibution. prop.sample prop.sample is the proportion of the original sample to include in the sampling distibution samples. Default is .9 For models using bootstrapped inference. The seed ensures reproducible results seed

across runs. Default is 1234, but may be changed.

## Value

marginsdat

Returns a data frame containing the design matrix and additional columns for the fitted value on the response scale, the delta method standard error (except partial proportional odds models, which are bootstrapped), and the lower/upper limits on confidence intervals around the fitted value.

## Author(s)

David Melamed

## **Examples**

```
data("Mize19AH")
m1 <- glm(alcB ~woman*parrole + age +
race2 + race3 + race4 + income + ed1 +
ed2 + ed3 + ed4,family="binomial",data=Mize19AH)
des2<-margins.des(m1,expand.grid(woman=c(0,1),parrole=c(0,1)))
margins.dat(m1,des2,rounded=5)
des1 <- margins.des(m1,expand.grid(parrole=1,woman=1))
margins.dat(m1,des1,rounded=5)
des3 <- margins.des(m1,expand.grid(age=seq(20,75,5),parrole=c(0,1)))
a<- margins.dat(m1,des3,rounded=5)
a # Then plot a using ggplot</pre>
```

margins.dat.clogit

Computes predicted probabilities for conditional and rankorder/exploded logistic regression models. Inference is based upon simulation techniques (requires the MASS package). Alternatively, bootstrapping is an option for conditional logistic regression models. margins.dat.clogit 17

## **Description**

Given a model object and a design matrix, this creates a data.frame of the design matrix, with predicted probabilities for each response category. Inferential information about the predict probabilities is supported with simulation. Bootstrapping may be added as an option for conditional logistic regression models.

## Usage

```
margins.dat.clogit(mod,design.matrix,run.boot="no",num.sample=1000,
prop.sample=.9,alpha=.05,seed=1234,rounded=3)
```

## **Arguments**

mod A conditional logistic regression model as estimated in the Epi package or an

Exploded logistic regression model as estimated in the mlogit package.

design.matrix Design matrix of values for the independent variables in the regression model.

Unlike the design matrices in the margins.des function, the design matrix for a conditional logistic regression entails multiple rows, corresponding to the num-

ber of response options.

run.boot Whether to compute confidence intervals around the predicted probabilities us-

ing bootstrapping. Defaul is "no."

num. sample num. sample is the number samples drawn to compute the sampling distibution.

prop. sample prop. sample is the proportion of the original sample to include in the sampling

distibution samples. Default is .9

alpha The alpha value for confidence intervals. Default is .05.

seed Sets a seed so that random results are reprodicible.

rounded How many decimal places to show in the output.

#### Value

des Returns a data.frame containing the design matrix and additional columns for

the predicted probabilities.

boot.dist The full bootstrapped distribution for the probabilities.

## Author(s)

David Melamed

# **Examples**

```
data("LF06travel")
m1 <- Epi::clogistic(choice ~ train + bus +
time + invc, strata=id, data=LF06travel)
design <- data.frame(train=c(0,0,1),bus=c(0,1,0),time=200,invc=20)
design
margins.dat.clogit(m1,design)</pre>
```

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margins.des	Creates a design matrix of idealized data for illustrating model predictions.

# Description

Create a data frame of idealized data for making model predictions/predicted margins that will be used with margins.dat for generating/plotting model predictions. Given a model object (generalized linear model or generalized linear mixed model), a grid of independent variable values, and a list of any variables (factor variables in particular) to exclude from the design matrix, the function returns the design matrix as a data.frame object. All covariates are set to their means in the data used to estimate the model object. If there are factors in the model, they need to be excluded using the "excl" option.

Supported models include OLS via the lm function, logistic and Poisson regression via the glm function, negative binomial regression via MASS::glm.nb, ordinal logistic regression via MASS::polr, multinomial logistic regression via nnet::multinom, partial proportional odds models via vgam::vglm, linear mixed effects models with or without serial correlation specified via nlme::lme, mixed effects logistic regression via lme4::glmer, mixed effects Poisson regression via lme4::glmer, mixed effects negative binomial regression via lme4::glmer.nb, and mixed effects ordinal logistic regression via ordinal::clmm. Zero-inflated and hurdle models are also supported via pscl::zeroinfl and pscl::hurdle, respectively.

For multinomial regression model, as estimated via the nnet package, you need to provide the data used in the nnet function that defined the model. For partial proportional odds models, as estimated via the vgam package, you need to specify an ordinal model via MASS::polr and provide that model to the margins.des function (the data for the model are not part of a vgam object.) For mixed effects regression models, as estimated by lme4/lmerTest, you need to provide the data used in the glmer or lmer function that defined the model. For mixed effects ordinal logistic regression models, as estimated via the ordinal package, the outcome variable in the regression model (i.e., the clmm function) needs to be named "dv."

## Usage

```
margins.des(mod,ivs,excl="nonE",data)
```

# Arguments

mod	A model object. The model should be regression model for limited dependent
	variables, such as a logistic regression. Specifically, supported models include
	lm, glm, polr, multinom, vgam, zeroinf (pscl), amd hurdle (pscl). vgam is sup-
	ported for partial proportional odds models, not models for count outcomes.
	zerotrunc is only supported with bootstrapped inference, and may take a while.
ivs	This should be an 'expand.grid' statement including all desired variables and
	their corresponding levels in the design matrix.
excl	If you want to exclude covariates from the design matrix, you can list them here. This is designed to exclude factor variables from the design matrix, as they do not have means, but may be useful in other specialized cases. Default is "nonE," corresponding to excluding none of the variables.

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data

If the model is a multinomial model, you also need to provide the data. This is because nnet objects do not include the relevant information for computing the means of covariates.

#### Value

design

Returns a data.frame containing the design matrix for model predictions.

## Author(s)

David Melamed

# **Examples**

```
data("Mize19AH")
m1 <- glm(alcB ~woman*parrole + age + race2 +
race3 + race4 + income + ed1 + ed2 + ed3 +
ed4,family="binomial",data=Mize19AH)
des1 <- margins.des(m1,expand.grid(parrole=1,woman=1))
des1
des2<-margins.des(m1,expand.grid(woman=c(0,1),parrole=c(0,1)))
des2
des3 <- margins.des(m1,expand.grid(age=seq(20,75,5),parrole=c(0,1)))
des3</pre>
```

Mize19AH

Add-Health Data analzed in Mize (2019)

# **Description**

Mize (2019) illustrates how to establish moderation in the context of regression models for limited dependent variables. He illustrates using AddHealth data and provides Stata code to replicate the results. Catregs functions can replicate these results in R.

# Usage

```
data("Mize19AH")
```

#### **Format**

A data frame with 4307 observations on the following 29 variables.

```
AID a numeric vector
race a numeric vector
age a numeric vector
educ a numeric vector
degree a numeric vector
```

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college a numeric vector health a numeric vector role a numeric vector workrole a numeric vector parrole a numeric vector income a numeric vector wages a numeric vector logwages a numeric vector depB a numeric vector alcB a numeric vector woman a numeric vector edyrs a numeric vector whiteB a numeric vector X\_est\_prno a numeric vector X\_est\_prpar a numeric vector X\_est\_alcedmod a numeric vector X\_est\_alcmod a numeric vector race2 a numeric vector race3 a numeric vector race4 a numeric vector ed1 a numeric vector ed2 a numeric vector ed3 a numeric vector ed4 a numeric vector

#### **Source**

Mize, Trenton D. 2019. "Best Practices for Estimating, Interpreting, and Presenting Nonlinear Interaction Effects" Sociological Science 6: 81-117.

# **Examples**

data(Mize19AH)
head(Mize19AH)

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Mize19GSS

General Social Survey Data analzed in Mize (2019)

# **Description**

Mize (2019) illustrates how to establish nonlinear moderation in the context of regression models. He illustrates using General Social Survey (GSS) data and provides Stata code to replicate the results. Catregs functions can replicate these results in R.

# Usage

data("Mize19GSS")

# **Format**

A data frame with 19337 observations on the following 42 variables.

nosameB a numeric vector sameokB a numeric vector polviews a character vector age a numeric vector age10 a numeric vector year a numeric vector id a numeric vector degree a numeric vector race a numeric vector partyid a character vector natspac a character vector natenvir a character vector natheal a character vector natcity a character vector natcrime a character vector natdrug a character vector nateduc a character vector natrace a character vector natarms a character vector nataid a character vector natfare a character vector health a character vector helpnotB a character vector 22 rubins.rule

conserv a character vector polviews3 a character vector employed a numeric vector male a numeric vector woman a numeric vector white a numeric vector college a numeric vector married a numeric vector parent a character vector edyrs a numeric vector income a numeric vector hrswork a character vector parttime a character vector wages a numeric vector conviewSS a numeric vector year2 a numeric vector yearcat a numeric vector year1976 a numeric vector year1976.2 a numeric vector

## Source

Mize, Trenton D. 2019. "Best Practices for Estimating, Interpreting, and Presenting Nonlinear Interaction Effects" Sociological Science 6: 81-117.

# **Examples**

data(Mize19GSS)
head(Mize19GSS)

rubins.rule

Aggregate Standard Errors using Rubin's Rule.

# Description

The function takes a vector of standard error estimates and it pools them using Rubin's rule.

# Usage

```
rubins.rule(std.errors)
```

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## Arguments

std.errors A vector of standard errors to be aggregated using Rubin's rule.

## Value

r.r.std.error The aggregated standard error.

#### Author(s)

David Melamed

#### References

Rubin, Donald B. 2004. Multiple Imputation for Nonresponse in Surveys. Vol. 81. John Wiley & Sons.

second.diff.fitted

Computes the second difference in fitted values. Inference in supported via the delta method or bootstrapping.

## Description

second.diff.fitted computes the second differences between fitted values, that is, the difference between two first differences, from a regression model.

Supported models include OLS regression via lm, logistic regression via glm, Poisson regression via glm, negative binomial regression via MASS:glm.nb, ordinal logistic regression via MASS::polr, partial proportional odds models via vgam::vglm, multinomial logistic regression via nnet::multinom, zero-inflated Poisson or negative binomial regression via pscl::zeroinfl, hurdle Poisson or negative binomial regression via pscl::hurdle, mixed effects logistic regression via lme4/lmerTest::glmer, mixed effects Poisson regression via lme4/lmerTest::glmer, mixed effects negative binomial regression via lme4/lmerTest::glmer, mixed effects negative binomial regression via lme4/lmerTest::glmer, mixed effects negative binomial regression via lme4/lmerTest::glmer.nb, and mixed effects ordinal logistic regression via ordinal::clmm.

# Usage

```
second.diff.fitted(mod,design.matrix,compare,alpha=.05,rounded=3,
bootstrap="no",num.sample=1000,prop.sample=.9,
data,seed=1234,cum.probs="no")
```

#### **Arguments**

mod A model object. The model should be regression model for limited dependent

variables, such as a logistic regression.

design.matrix Design matrix of values for the independent variables in the regression model.

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compare A set of four rows in the design matrix to use for computing the fitted values that

are used in the calculation of second differences. For example, compare(a,b,c,d) results in computing the fitted values for rows a, b, c, and d of the design matrix, respectively, and then computing the following second difference: (a - b) - (c -

d). Only four rows may be compared at a time.

alpha The alpha value for confidence intervals. Default is .05.

rounded The number of decimal places to round the output. The default is 3.

bootstrap By default, inference is based on the Delta Method, as implemented in the

marginaleffects package. Alternatively, inference can be based upon a boot-

strapped sampling distirbution. To do so, change this to "yes"

num.sample is the number samples drawn to compute the sampling distibution

when using bootstrapping. Default is 1,000

prop.sample is the proportion of the original sample to include in the sampling

distibution samples when using bootstrapping. Default is .9

data For nonparametric inference, provide the data used in the original model state-

ment.

seed For models using bootstrapped inference. The seed ensures reproducible results

across runs. Default is 1234, but may be changed.

cum.probs For ordinal logistic regression models, including mixed effects models, do you

want the first differences to be based on probabilities of the response categories or cumulative probabilities of the response categories. The default is cum.probs=="no" corresponding to non-cumulative probabilities. Change cum.probs

to "yes" for cumulative probabilities.

## Value

out

If using parametric inference (delta method): output is a dataframe including the second difference in fitted values ("est"), the standard error ("std.error"), the lower limit ("ll"), and upper limit ("ul") of the confidence interval. Of course, ll and ul are based on the alpha level. If using nonparametric inference (bootstrapping): output is a list of objects. obs.diff is the observed second difference in the response or fitted values. boot.dist is the sorted bootstrapped distribution of second differences in the samples. mean.boot.dist is the average of the second differences in the responses or fitted values. sd.boot.dist is the standard deviation of the sampling distribution. ci.95 is the Lower and Upper limits of the confidence interval; despite it's name, the confidence interval is based upon the alpha level. model.class is just the class of the model that was used to generate the fitted values.

# Author(s)

David Melamed

# **Examples**

```
data("Mize19AH")
m1 <- glm(alcB ~woman*parrole + age + race2 + race3 +</pre>
```

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```
race4 + income + ed1 + ed2 + ed3 +
ed4,family="binomial",data=Mize19AH)
des2<-margins.des(m1,expand.grid(woman=c(0,1),parrole=c(0,1)))
des2
second.diff.fitted(m1,des2,compare=c(4,2,3,1),rounded=5)
# [Pr(Drink | Mothers) - Pr(Drink | Childless Women)] -
# [Pr(Drink | Fathers) - Pr(Drink | Childless Men)]

# Note that this is reported as the "Second Difference" in
# Table 3 of Mize (2019: 104, "Best Practices for Estimating,
# Interpreting, and Presenting Nonlinear Interaction Effect.
# Sociological Science. 6(4): 81-117.")</pre>
```

wagepan

Data to illustrate mixed effects regression models with serial correlation.

# **Description**

Replication data illustrating serial correlation specifications to adjust for correlated residuals.

## Usage

```
data("wagepan")
```

#### **Format**

A data frame with 4360 observations on the following 51 variables.

nr a numeric vector
year a numeric vector
agric a numeric vector
black a numeric vector
bus a numeric vector
construc a numeric vector
ent a numeric vector
exper a numeric vector
fin a numeric vector
hisp a numeric vector
poorhlth a numeric vector
hours a numeric vector
manuf a numeric vector
married a numeric vector

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nrthcen a numeric vector nrtheast a numeric vector occ1 a numeric vector occ2 a numeric vector occ3 a numeric vector occ4 a numeric vector occ5 a numeric vector occ6 a numeric vector occ7 a numeric vector occ8 a numeric vector occ9 a numeric vector per a numeric vector pro a numeric vector pub a numeric vector rur a numeric vector south a numeric vector educ a numeric vector tra a numeric vector trad a numeric vector union a numeric vector lwage a numeric vector d81 a numeric vector d82 a numeric vector d83 a numeric vector d84 a numeric vector d85 a numeric vector d86 a numeric vector d87 a numeric vector expersq a numeric vector r a numeric vector num a numeric vector number a numeric vector mn\_lwage a numeric vector yeart a numeric vector yeart2 a numeric vector yeart3 a numeric vector

## **Examples**

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