Package 'XNomial'

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xmonte	Perform Multinomial Goodness-Of-Fit Test By Monte-Carlo Simula- tions

Description

Use xmonte to compute a P value to test whether a set of counts fits a specific multinomial distribution. It does this by examining a large number of random outcomes and finding the probability of those cases which deviate from the expectation by at least as much as the observed.

Usage

```
xmonte(obs, expr, ntrials = 1e+05, statName = "LLR", histobins = F, histobounds = c(0, 0), showCurve = T, detail = 1, safety = 1e+08)
```

Arguments

obs	vector containing the observed numbers. All are non-negative integers summing to > 0 .
expr	vector containing expectation. The length should be the same as that of obs and they should be non-negative summing to > 0 . They need not be integers or sum to one.
ntrials	the number of random trials to look at, such as ntrials=100000
statName	name of the test statistic to use as a measure of how deviant an observation is from the expectation. The choices are: "LLR" for the log-likelihood ratio, "Prob" for the probability, "Chisq" for the chisquare statistic.
histobins	specifies histogram plot. If set to 0, F or FALSE no histogram is plotted. If set to 1 or T or TRUE a histogram with 500 bins will be plotted. If set to a number > 1 a histogram with that number of bins is plotted.
histobounds	vector of length 2 indicating the bounds for the histogram, if any. If unspecified, bounds will be determined to include about 99.9 percent of the distribution.
showCurve	should an asymptotic curve be drawn over the histogram?
detail	how much detail should be reported concerning the P value. If 0, nothing is printed for cases where the function is used programmatically. Minimal information is printed if detail is set to 1, and additional information if it is set to 2.
safety	a large number, such as one billion, to set a limit on how many samples will be examined. This limit is there to avoid long computations.

Value

xmonte returns a list with the following components:

\$ obs	the observed numbers used as imput
\$ expr	expected ratios, arbitrary scale

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$ ntrials
                  the number of random tables examined
                  which test statistic was used
$ statType
$ pLLR/pProb/pChi
                  the P value computed for the given test statistic
$ standard.error
                  the binomial standard error of the estimated P value
                  the value of LLR statistic for these data
$ observedLLR
$ observedProb
                  the multinomial probability of the observed data under the null hypothesis
$ observedChi
                  observed value of the chi square statistic
$ histobins
                  number of bins in the histogram (suppressed if zero)
$ histobounds
                  range in histogram (suppressed if not used)
$ histoData
                  data for histogram (suppressed if not used) Length is histobins
$ asymptotoc.p.value
                  the P value obtained from the classical asymptotic test – use for comparison only
```

Examples

```
#One of Gregor Mendel's crosses produced four types of pea seeds in the numbers as follows:
peas <- c(315, 108, 101, 32)
#and he expected them to appear in the ratio of 9:3:3:1 according to his genetic model.
expected <- c(9, 3, 3, 1)
#Test Mendels theory using
xmonte(peas, expected)
#To see a histogram of the likelihood ratio statistic, use:
xmonte(peas, expected, histobins = TRUE)
#The red areas of the histogram represent those outcomes deviating from the expected 9:3:3:1 ratio
#at least as much as the observed numbers. (Much has been made of the tendency for Mendel's data
#to fit the expectations better than expected!)
#If you wish to use the standard chisquare statistic as a measure of goodness-of-fit instead
#of the LLR, use:
xmonte(peas, expected, statName="Chisq", histobins=TRUE)
```

xmulti

Perform Multinomial Goodness-Of-Fit Test By Full Enumeration

Description

Use xmulti to compute a P value to test whether a set of counts fits a specific multinomial distribution. It does this by examining all possible outcomes with the same total count and determining the total (multinomial) probability of those cases which deviate from the expectation by at least as much as the observed. Please see the vignette for more.

Usage

```
xmulti(obs, expr, statName = "LLR", histobins = F, histobounds = c(0, 0),
    showCurve = T, detail = 1, safety = 1e+09)
```

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Arguments

obs vector containing the observed numbers. All are non-negative integers summing

to > 0.

expr vector containing expectation. The length should be the same as that of obs and

they should be non-negative summing to > 0. They need not be integers or sum

to one.

statName name of the test statistic to use as a measure of how deviant an observation

is from the expectation. The choices are: "LLR" for the log-likelihood ratio,

"Prob" for the probability, "Chisq" for the chisquare statistic.

histobins specifies histogram plot. If set to 0, F or FALSE no histogram is plotted. If set to

1 or T or TRUE a histogram with 500 bins will be plotted. If set to a number > 1

a histogram with that number of bins is plotted.

histobounds vector of length 2 indicating the bounds for the histogram, if any. If unspecified,

bounds will be determined to include about 99.9 percent of the distribution.

showCurve should an asymptotic curve be drawn over the histogram?

detail how much detail should be reported concerning the P value. If 0, nothing is

printed for cases where the function is used programmatically. Minimal information is printed if detail is set to 1, and additional information if it is set to

2.

safety a large number, such as one billion, to set a limit on how many samples will be

examined. This limit is there to avoid long computations.

Value

xmulti returns a list with the following components:

\$ obs the observed numbers used as imput

\$ expr expected ratios

\$ statType which test statistic was used

\$ pLLR the P value with LLR as the test statistic

\$ pProb the P value with the multinomial probability as test statistic

\$ pChi the P value with the chisquare as test statistic

\$ observedLLR the value of LLR statistic for these data

\$ observedProb the multinomial probability of the observed data under the null hypothesis

\$ observedChi observed value of the chi square statistic

\$ histobins number of bins in the histogram (suppressed if zero)

\$ histobounds range in histogram (suppressed if not used)

\$ histoData data for histogram (suppressed if not used) Length is histobins

\$ asymptotoc.p.value

the P value obtained from the classical asymptotic test

\$ cases.examined

the total number of possible tables

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Examples

```
#One of Gregor Mendel's crosses produced four types of pea seeds in the numbers:
peas <- c(315, 108, 101, 32)
#and he expected them to appear in the ratio of 9:3:3:1 according to his genetic model.
expected <- c(9, 3, 3, 1)
#Test Mendel's theory using
xmulti(peas, expected)
#In this example, the number of cases examined was 28956759,
#and it probably took your computer less than half a second.
#To see a histogram of the likelihood ratio statistic, use:
xmulti(peas, expected, histobins = TRUE)
#The red areas of the histogram represent those outcomes deviating from the expected 9:3:3:1 ratio
#at least as much as the observed numbers. (Much has been made of the tendency for Mendel's data
#to fit the expectations better than expected!)
#If you wish to use the standard chisquare statistic as a measure of goodness-of-fit instead
#of the LLR, use:
xmulti(peas, expected, statName="Chisq", histobins=TRUE)
```

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