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kernel.e	<i>Epanechnikov kernel</i>
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Description

Evaluates the Epanechnikov kernel

Usage

kernel.e(u)

Arguments

u vector of observations

Value

evaluation of the Epanechnikov kernel

Examples

```
x = rnorm(100,1,2)
kernel.e(x)
```

kernel.e.density	<i>Epanechnikov kernel density estimation</i>
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Description

Estimates the density function using the Epanechnikov kernel

Usage

```
kernel.e.density(data, points, h)
```

Arguments

data	vector of observations
points	in which the function is evaluated
h	bandwidth

Value

density estimation

Examples

```
x = rnorm(100,1,2)
gridd = seq(-5,5,length.out=1000)
h = (4/3)^(1/5)*sd(x)*length(x)^(-1/5)
kernel.e.density (x,gridd,h)
```

kernel.g	<i>Gaussian kernel</i>
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Description

Evaluates the Gaussian kernel

Usage

```
kernel.g(u)
```

Arguments

u	vector of observations
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Value

evaluation of the Gaussian kernel

Examples

```
x = rnorm(100,1,2)
kernel.g(x)
```

kernel.g.density	<i>Gaussian kernel density estimation</i>
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Description

Estimates the density function using the Gaussian kernel

Usage

```
kernel.g.density(data, points, h)
```

Arguments

data	vector of observations
points	in which the function is evaluated
h	bandwidth

Value

density estimation

Examples

```
x = rnorm(100,1,2)
gridd = seq(-5,5,length.out=1000)
h = (4/3)^(1/5)*sd(x)*length(x)^(-1/5)
kernel.g.density (x,gridd,h)
```

likbox	<i>Likelihood function of the BoxCox transformation</i>
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Description

Computation of the likelihood function of the BoxCox transformation

Usage

```
likbox(h, data, n)
```

Arguments

h	parameter of the Box-Cox transformation
data	joint vector of controls (first) and cases
n	length of the vector of controls

Value

the likelihood function of the BoxCox transformation

Examples

```
h=-1.6
controls=rnorm(50,6,1)
cases=rnorm(100,6.5,0.5)
likbox(h,c(controls,cases),n=length(controls))
```

OVL.BCAN

OVL.BCAN

Description

Parametric approach using a bootstrap-based approach to estimate the variance

Usage

```
OVL.BCAN(x, y, alpha = 0.05, B = 100, h_ini = -0.6)
```

Arguments

x	controls
y	cases
alpha	confidence level
B	bootstrap size
h_ini	initial value in the optimization problem

Value

confidence interval

Examples

```
controls = rnorm(50,6,1)
cases = rnorm(100,6.5,0.5)
OVL.BCAN (controls,cases)
```

OVL.BCbias

*OVL.BCbias***Description**

Parametric approach using a bootstrap bias-corrected approach

Usage

```
OVL.BCbias(x, y, alpha = 0.05, B = 100, h_ini = -0.6)
```

Arguments

x	controls
y	cases
alpha	confidence level
B	bootstrap size
h_ini	initial value in the optimization problem

Value

confidence interval

Examples

```
controls = rnorm(50,6,1)
cases = rnorm(100,6.5,0.5)
OVL.BCAN (controls,cases)
```

OVL.BCPB

*OVL.BCPB***Description**

Parametric approach using a bootstrap percentil approach to estimate the variance

Usage

```
OVL.BCPB(x, y, alpha = 0.05, B = 100, h_ini = -0.6)
```

Arguments

x	controls
y	cases
alpha	confidence level
B	bootstrap size
h_ini	initial value in the optimization problem

Value

confidence interval

Examples

```
controls = rnorm(50,6,1)
cases = rnorm(100,6.5,0.5)
OVL.BCPB (controls,cases)
```

<i>OVL.D</i>	<i>OVL.D</i>
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Description

Parametric approach using the delta method

Usage

```
OVL.D(x, y, alpha = 0.05)
```

Arguments

x	controls
y	cases
alpha	confidence level

Value

confidence interval

Examples

```
controls = rnorm(50,6,1)
cases = rnorm(100,6.5,0.5)
OVL.D (controls,cases)
```

OVL.DBC

OVL.DBC

Description

Parametric approach using the delta method after the Box-Cox transformation

Usage

```
OVL.DBC(x, y, alpha = 0.05, h_ini = -0.6)
```

Arguments

x	controls
y	cases
alpha	confidence level
h_ini	initial value in the optimization problem

Value

confidence interval

Examples

```
controls = rnorm(50,6,1)
cases = rnorm(100,6.5,0.5)
OVL.DBC (controls,cases)
```

OVL.DBCL

OVL.DBCL

Description

Parametric approach using the delta method after the Box-Cox transformation taking into account the variability of the estimated transformation parameter

Usage

```
OVL.DBCL(x, y, alpha = 0.05, h_ini = -0.6)
```

Arguments

x	controls
y	cases
alpha	confidence level
h_ini	initial value in the optimization problem

Value

confidence interval

Examples

```
controls = rnorm(50,6,1)
cases = rnorm(100,6.5,0.5)
OVL.DBCL (controls,cases)
```

OVL.K	<i>OVL.K</i>
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Description

Kernel approach estimating the variance via bootstrap

Usage

```
OVL.K(x, y, alpha = 0.05, B = 100, k = 1, h = 1)
```

Arguments

x	controls
y	cases
alpha	confidence level
B	bootstrap size
k	kernel. When k=1 (default value) the kernel used in the estimation is the Gaussian kernel. Otherwise, the Epanechnikov kernel is used instead.
h	bandwidth. When h=1 (default value) the cross-validation bandwidth is chosen. Otherwise, the bandwidth considered by Schmid and Schmidt (2006) is used instead.

Value

confidence interval

Examples

```
controls = rnorm(50,6,1)
cases = rnorm(100,6.5,0.5)
OVL.K (controls,cases)
```

OVL.KPB

*OVL.KPB***Description**

Kernel approach using a bootstrap percentile approach

Usage

```
OVL.KPB(x, y, alpha = 0.05, B = 100, k = 1, h = 1)
```

Arguments

x	controls
y	cases
alpha	confidence level
B	bootstrap size
k	kernel. When k=1 (default value) the kernel used in the estimation is the Gaussian kernel. Otherwise, the Epanechnikov kernel is used instead.
h	bandwidth. When h=1 (default value) the cross-validation bandwidth is chosen. Otherwise, the bandwidth considered by Schmid and Schmidt (2006) is used instead.

Value

confidence interval

Examples

```
controls = rnorm(50,6,1)
cases = rnorm(100,6.5,0.5)
OVL.KPB (controls,cases)
```

OVL.LogitBCAN

*OVL.LogitBCAN***Description**

BCAN procedure carried out in the logit scale and back-transformed

Usage

```
OVL.LogitBCAN(x, y, alpha = 0.05, B = 100, h_ini = -0.6)
```

Arguments

x	controls
y	cases
alpha	confidence level
B	bootstrap size
h_ini	initial value in the optimization problem

Value

confidence interval

Examples

```
controls = rnorm(50,6,1)
cases = rnorm(100,6.5,0.5)
OVL.LogitBCAN (controls,cases)
```

OVL.LogitD

OVL.LogitD

Description

Parametric approach using the delta method after switching to a logit scale and then transforming back

Usage

```
OVL.LogitD(x, y, alpha = 0.05)
```

Arguments

x	controls
y	cases
alpha	confidence level

Value

confidence interval

Examples

```
controls = rnorm(50,6,1)
cases = rnorm(100,6.5,0.5)
OVL.LogitD (controls,cases)
```

OVL.LogitDBC	<i>OVL.LogitDBC</i>
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Description

Parametric approach using the delta method after the Box-Cox transformation after switching to a logit scale and then transforming back

Usage

```
OVL.LogitDBC(x, y, alpha = 0.05, h_ini = -0.6)
```

Arguments

x	controls
y	cases
alpha	confidence level
h_ini	initial value in the optimization problem

Value

confidence interval

Examples

```
controls = rnorm(50,6,1)
cases = rnorm(100,6.5,0.5)
OVL.LogitDBC (controls,cases)
```

OVL.LogitDBCL	<i>OVL.LogitDBCL</i>
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Description

Parametric approach using the delta method after the Box-Cox transformation in the logit scale and back-transformed considering the variability of the estimated transformation parameter

Usage

```
OVL.LogitDBCL(x, y, alpha = 0.05, h_ini = -0.6)
```

Arguments

x	controls
y	cases
alpha	confidence level
h_ini	initial value in the optimization problem

Value

confidence interval

Examples

```
controls = rnorm(50,6,1)
cases = rnorm(100,6.5,0.5)
OVL.LogitDBCL (controls,cases)
```

OVL.LogitK

OVL.LogitK

Description

Kernel approach estimating the variance via bootstrap in the logit scale and back-transformed

Usage

```
OVL.LogitK(x, y, alpha = 0.05, B = 100, k = 1, h = 1)
```

Arguments

x	controls
y	cases
alpha	confidence level
B	bootstrap size
k	kernel. When k=1 (default value) the kernel used in the estimation is the Gaussian kernel. Otherwise, the Epanechnikov kernel is used instead.
h	bandwidth. When h=1 (default value) the cross-validation bandwidth is chosen. Otherwise, the bandwidth considered by Schmid and Schmidt (2006) is used instead.

Value

confidence interval

Examples

```
controls = rnorm(50,6,1)
cases = rnorm(100,6.5,0.5)
OVL.LogitK (controls,cases)
```

ssdd	<i>Sample variance computation</i>
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Description

Computes the sample variance of a vector of observations

Usage

```
ssdd(x)
```

Arguments

x vector of observations

Value

the sample variance

Examples

```
x = rnorm(100,1,2)
ssdd(x)
```

test_data	<i>Simulated data with normal distributions to showcase the CI'S Overlap Coefficient (OVL) calculation</i>
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Description

Contains controls and cases data from normal distributions

Usage

```
data(test_data)
```

Format

A data frame with 100 rows and 2 variables:

controls Simulated data from a $N(10,1)$ distribution for the control group

cases Simulated data from a $N(10.5,0.5)$ distribution for the case group

References

This data set was artificially created for the OVL.CI package.

Examples

```
data(test_data)
```

U

Auxiliary function

Description

Evaluates an auxiliary function

Usage

```
U(mu1, mu2, sigma1, sigma2)
```

Arguments

mu1	sample mean of a vector x
mu2	sample mean of a vector y
sigma1	sample standard deviation of a vector x
sigma2	sample standard deviation of a vector y

Value

evaluation of an auxiliary function

Examples

```
U(1,2,1,1)
```

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