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## **Description**

There are 8 main functions in the package. The exact2x2 function calculates the exact conditional tests with matching confidence intervals as detailed in Fay (2010a <DOI:10.1093/biostatistics/kxp050>,2010b). The functions ss2x2 and power2x2 calculate the sample size and power related to the tests of exact2x2. The uncondExact2x2 and boschloo functions calculate unconditional exact tests (see Fay and Hunsberger, 2021, <DOI:10.1214/21-SS131>). The binomMeld. test function calculates melded confidence intervals for two sample binomial inferences (see Fay, Proschan, and Brittain, 2015 <DOI:10.1111/biom.12231>). Finally, the borrTest function calculates the boundary optimized rejection region test that creates unconditional exact tests that have power optimized when group 1 is expected to have 100 percent failure. For example, in vaccine challenge studies where the control group are all expected to get infected (see Gabriel, et al, 2018 <DOI:10.1002/sim.7579>, the letter about that paper by Martin Andres <DOI:10.1002/sim.7630>, and the response <DOI:10.1002/sim.7684>). The mcnemarExactDP function give p-values and confidence intervals compatible with exact McNemar's or sign tests (Fay and Lumbard, 2021, <DOI:10.1002/sim.8829>).

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binomMeld.test

Melded Binomial Confidence Intervals and Tests

## **Description**

Creates tests to compare two binomials, giving confidence intervals for either the difference in proportions, the rate ratio, or the odds ratio. The 95 percent confidence intervals have been shown to guarantee nominal coverage by extensive numerical calculations. It has been theoretically proven that the p-values from the one-sided tests on the null hypothesis of equality match Fisher's exact p-values.

## Usage

```
binomMeld.test(x1, n1, x2, n2, nullparm = NULL,
    parmtype = c("difference", "oddsratio", "ratio"),
    conf.level = 0.95, conf.int=TRUE,
    alternative = c("two.sided", "less", "greater"),
    midp=FALSE, nmc=0, eps=10^-8)
```

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#### **Arguments**

number of events in group 1

sample size in group 1

number of events in group 2

number of events in group 2

sample size in group 2

nullparm value of the parameter of interest at null, default of NULL gives 0 for parm-

type='difference' and 1 for parmtype='ratio' or 'oddsratio'

parmtype type of parameter of interest, one of "difference", "ratio" or "oddsratio" (see

details)

conf.level confidence level

conf.int logical, calculate confidence intervals?

alternative alternative hypothesis, one of "two.sided", "less", or "greater" (see details)

midp logical, do mid-p version of p-value and confidence intervals?

nmc integer, number of Monte Carlo replications for p-value and CI calculations, 0

(default) means calculate by numeric integration instead

eps small number used to adjust numeric integration (see note)

#### **Details**

Assume X1~ Binomial(n1,p1) and X2~Binomial(n2,p2). We want to test hypotheses on a function of p1 and p2. The functions are given by parmtype: difference tests p2-p1, ratio tests p2/p1, and odds ratio tests p2(1-p1)/(p1(1-p2)). Let g(p1,p2) be one of the three functions. So when alternative is "less" we test H0: g(p1,p2) >= nullparm vs. H1: g(p1,p2) < nullparm.

For details when midp=FALSE see Fay, Proschan, and Brittain (2015).

When midp=TRUE, the method performs the mid-p version on the p-value and the associated confidence intervals. This means that we replace the confidence distribution random variables in the p-value and CI calculations with a random variable that is a mixture of the lower and upper CD random variables. For example, if W1L and W1U are the lower and upper confidence distribution random variables for group 1, then we replace those values in all calculations with W1midp = U1\*W1L + (1-U1)\*W1U, where U1 is a Bernoulli with parameter 0.5. For a discussion of mid-p p-values and the associated confidence intervals in a closely related context, see the vignette on mid p-values or Fay and Brittain (2016, especially the Appendix).

#### Value

An object of class 'htest'. A list with elements

statistic proportion of events in group 1
parameter proportion of events in group 2

p.value p-value

conf.int confidence interval

estimate estimate of g(p1,p2) by plugging in sample proportions, i.e., unconditional MLE

null.value value of g(p1,p2) under null

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alternative type of alternative hypothesis

method description of test

data.name character explicit description of data

#### Note

For numeric integration, the integrate function may have problems if nearly all of the integrand values are about 0 within the range of integration. Because of this, we use the eps value to make sure we integrate over ranges in which the integrand is nontrivially greater than 0. We restrict the range then add eps back to the p-value so that if the integrate function works perfectly, then the p-values would be very slightly conservative (for very small eps). There is no need to adjust the eps value. See code for detailed description of how eps is used in the calculation before changing it from the default.

An alternative method of calculation is to use Monte Carlo simulation (option with nmc>0). This provides a check of the numeric integration. There is no need to do Monte Carlo simulations for routine use. Please inform the package maintainer if the p-values or confidence intervals are substantially different when nmc=0 and nmc=10^7.

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Fay, MP, Proschan, MA, and Brittain, E (2015) Combining One Sample Confidence Procedures for Inferences in the Two Sample Case. Biometrics 71: 146-156.

Fay, Michael P., and Erica H. Brittain. (2016). Finite sample pointwise confidence intervals for a survival distribution with right-censored data. Statistics in medicine. 35: 2726-2740.

# **Examples**

```
# Note the p-value for all tests of equality
# (Null Hypthesis: true prop 1=true prop 2)
# are the same, and equal to the
# Fisher's exact (central) p-value
binomMeld.test(3,5,1,8,parmtype="difference")
binomMeld.test(3,5,1,8,parmtype="ratio")
# note that binomMeld.test gives the unconditional MLE
# for the odds ratio, while fisher.test and exact2x2
# gives the conditional MLE for the odds ratio
# (also fisher.test gives the odds ratio defined as
# the inverse of how it is defined in binomMeld.test)
binomMeld.test(3,5,1,8,parmtype="oddsratio")
exact2x2(matrix(c(1,8-1,3,5-3),2,2),tsmethod="central")
```

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Boundary-Optimized Rejection Region Test

## **Description**

An unconditional exact test for the two-sample binomial problem when it is expected that theta1 (probability of an event in group 1) will be close to 1. Used for test versus control when all controls are expected to fail.

## Usage

number of events in group 1

# Arguments x1

Α1	number of events in group 1
n1	sample size in group 1
x2	number of events in group 2
n2	sample size in group 2
tuningParm	tuning parameter, default is $0.025\ \text{and}$ designs BORR tests with maximum power for one-sided $0.025\ \text{tests}$
parmtype	parameter type, either 'ratio' for theta2/theta1, 'difference' for theta2-theta1, or 'oddsratio' for theta2*(1-theta1)/(theta1*(1-theta2)).
nullparm	null parameter value, default=NULL gives parameter value for theta1=theta2 (e.g., 1 for 'ratio' or 0 for 'difference' ).
alternative	alternative hypothesis, BORR tests are designed for alternative='less' (see Note for other alternatives)
conf.int	logical, should confidence interval be calculated?
conf.level	confidence level, default is 0.975 (see note)

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controlUC a list of control parameters to define algorithms in the call to uncondExact2x2,

see ucControl

controlborr a list of control parameters to define algorithms, see borrControl

p1 probability of an event in group 1 p2 probability of an event in group 2

alpha alpha-level for rejecting, reject when p-value

latex

alpha

.. extra arguments passed (only used for powerBorr, passes arguments to the

borrPvals function)

#### **Details**

The boundary-optimized rejection region test is designed to test the one-sided alternative that theta2 < theta1, where X1 is binomial(n1,theta1), and X2 is binomial(n2,theta2). The test is designed to be optimal when theta1 is very close to 1. For example, in a vaccine malaria challenge study where we expect all n1 individuals that got the control vaccine to have the event (get malaria when challenged with malaria). For details see Gabriel et al (2018).

The function borrTest tests the results of one study, and returns an htest object. The function borrPvals calculates the p-values for every possible result of a study. The function borrOrdering orders every possible result of the study. See borrOrderingInternal for calculation details. The function powerBorr calculates the power where p-values are calculated by borrPvals and rejection is when

latex

alpha.

## Value

The function borrPvals returns a (n1+1) by (n2+1) matrix of p-values for all possible x1 and x2 values. The function borrOrdering returns a matrix with the rank of all possible x1 and x2 values. The function borrTest returns a list of class htest with elements:

statistic proportion in sample 1
parameter proportion in sample 2
p.value p-value from test

conf.int confidence interval on parameter given by parmtype estimate MLE estimate of parameter given by parmtype

null.value null hypothesis value of parameter given by parmtype

alternative alternative hypothesis
method description of test
data.name description of data

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#### Note

The tests are designed to have good power for the one-sided test that H0: theta2  $\geq$  theta1, with alternative H1: theta2 < theta1 at significance level equal to tuningParm. Since the default tuningParm is 0.025, the default confidence level is 0.975 so that the confidence intervals will be compatible with the test where the one-sided p-values reject at level 0.025.

Sometimes you may want two-sided confidence intervals on the parameter of interest. If you ask for a two-sided alternative, then the confidence interval and the resulting p-value will be two-sided as well. The default is a 'central' interval, so the two-sided p-value should be twice the minimum of the one-sided p-values. Further, with a conf.level of 0.95 for the two-sided alternative, the error on each side will be bounded by 0.025.

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## **Examples**

```
## Not run: borrTest(4,4,1,4)
# Note Figure 2 in Gabriel et al is incorrect. The correct value
# is in the response letter, and given by
borrOrdering(4,4,tuningParm=0.025)$rankMat
```

boschloo

Boschloo's test for 2x2 Tables

## **Description**

Boschloo's test is an exact unconditional test for 2x2 tables based on ordering the sample space by Fisher's exact p-values. This function generalizes that test in several ways (see details).

## Usage

```
boschloo(x1, n1, x2, n2, alternative = c("two.sided", "less", "greater"),
    or = NULL, conf.int = FALSE, conf.level = 0.95, midp = FALSE,
    tsmethod = c("central", "minlike"), control=ucControl())
```

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#### **Arguments**

x1	number of events in group 1
n1	sample size in group 1
x2	number of events in group 2
n2	sample size in group 2

alternative alternative hypothesis, one of "two.sided", "less", or "greater", default is "two.sided"

(see details)

or odds ratio under the null hypothesis conf.int logical, calculate confidence interval?

conf.level confidence level

midp logical. Use mid-p-value method?

tsmethod two-sided method, either "central" or "minlike" (see details)

control list of algorithm parameters, see ucControl

#### **Details**

The traditional Boschloo (1970) test is to use Fisher's exact p-values (under the null that p1=p2) to order the sample space and to use that ordering to perform an unconditional exact test. Here we generalize this to test for different null hypothesis values (other that odds ratios of 1).

For the two-sided alternatives, the traditional method uses tsmethod='minlike' (for example, in the Exact R package) but our default is tsmethod='central'. The one-sided tests use ordering by the appropriate p-value (or 1 minus the p-value for alternative='greater' so that the ordering function follows our convention for user supplied ordering functions, see method='user' option in uncondExact2x2).

The option midp orders the sample space by the mid-p value associated with Fisher's exact test, and additionally gives mid-p values. This means that unlike the midp=FALSE case, when midp=TRUE the test is not exact (i.e., guaranteed to bound the type I error rate at the nominal level), but has type I error rates that are on average (over the possible null parameter values) closer to the nominal level.

If you want to order by the mid-p values from Fisher's exact test but get an exact test, use the method="FisherAdj" with midp=FALSE in uncondExact2x2.

The boschloo function only gives confidence intervals for the odds ratio, for getting confidence intervals closely related to Boschloo p-values (but not exactly matching Boschloo p-values) for the difference or ratio, use uncondExact2x2 with method="FisherAdj".

## Value

a list of class 'htest' with elements:

statistic proportion in sample 1
parameter proportion in sample 2
p.value p-value from test

conf.int confidence interval on odds ratio

estimate odds ratio estimate

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null.value null hypothesis value of odds ratio

alternative alternative hypothesis method description of test data.name description of data

#### References

Boschloo, R. D. "Raised conditional level of significance for the 2x2-table when testing the equality of two probabilities." Statistica Neerlandica 24.1 (1970): 1-9.

#### See Also

exact.test in package **Exact** for Boschloo test p-value computation. Also see method"FisherAdj" in uncondExact2x2 for a closely related test.

## **Examples**

```
# defaults to the central two-sided version
boschloo(1,5,6,7)
boschloo(1,5,6,7,alternative="greater")
## traditional two-sided Boschloo test (not central!)
boschloo(1,5,6,7, tsmethod="minlike")
```

exact2x2

Exact Conditional Tests for 2 by 2 Tables of Count Data

## **Description**

Performs exact conditional tests for two by two tables. For independent binary responses, performs either Fisher's exact test or Blaker's exact test for testing hypotheses about the odds ratio. The commands follow the style of fisher.test, the difference is that for two-sided tests there are three methods for calculating the exact test, and for each of the three methods its matching confidence interval is returned (see details). For paired binary data resulting in a two by two table, performs an exact McNemar's test.

## Usage

```
exact2x2(x, y = NULL, or = 1, alternative = "two.sided",
    tsmethod = NULL, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.95,
    tol = 0.00001, conditional = TRUE, paired=FALSE,
    plot=FALSE, midp=FALSE)
fisher.exact(x, y = NULL, or = 1, alternative = "two.sided",
    tsmethod = "minlike", conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.95,
    tol = 0.00001, midp=FALSE)
blaker.exact(x, y = NULL, or = 1, alternative = "two.sided",
    conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.95, tol = 0.00001)
mcnemar.exact(x,y=NULL, conf.level=.95)
```

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#### **Arguments**

x either a two-dimensional contingency table in matrix form, or a factor object.

y a factor object; ignored if x is a matrix.

or the hypothesized odds ratio. Must be a single numeric.

alternative indicates the alternative hypothesis and must be one of "two.sided", "greater"

or "less". if "two.sided" uses method defined by tsmethod.

tsmethod one of "minlike", "central", or "blaker". NULL defaults to "minlike" when paired=FALSE

and "central" when paired=TRUE or midp=TRUE. Defines type of two-sided

method (see details). Ignored if alternative="less" or "greater".

conf.int logical indicating if a confidence interval should be computed.

conf.level confidence level for the returned confidence interval. Only used if conf.int =

TRUE.

tol tolerance for confidence interval estimation.

conditional TRUE. Unconditional exact tests should use uncondExact2x2.

paired logical. TRUE gives exact McNemar's test, FALSE are all other tests

midp logical. TRUE gives mid p-values and mid-p CIs. Not supported for tsmethod='minlike'

or 'blaker'

plot logical. TRUE gives basic plot of point null odds ratios by p-values, for greater

plot control use exact2x2Plot. Not supported for midp=TRUE.

#### **Details**

The motivation for this package is to match the different two-sided conditional exact tests for 2x2 tables with the appropriate confidence intervals.

There are three ways to calculate the two-sided conditional exact tests, motivated by three different ways to define the p-value. The usual two-sided Fisher's exact test defines the p-value as the sum of probability of tables with smaller likelihood than the observed table (tsmethod="minlike"). The central Fisher's exact test defines the p-value as twice the one-sided p-values (but with a maximum p-value of 1). Blaker's (2000) exact test defines the p-value as the sum of the tail probibility in the observed tail plus the largest tail probability in the opposite tail that is not greater than the observed tail probability.

In fisher.test the p-value uses the two-sample method associated with tsmethod="minlike", but the confidence interval method associated with tsmethod="central". The probability that the lower central confidence limit is less than the true odds ratio is bounded by 1-(1-conf.level)/2 for the central intervals, but not for the other two two-sided methods. The confidence intervals in for exact2x2 match the test associated with alternative. In other words, the confidence interval is the smallest interval that contains the confidence set that is the inversion of the associated test (see Fay, 2010). The functions fisher.exact and blaker.exact are just wrappers for certain options in exact2x2.

If x is a matrix, it is taken as a two-dimensional contingency table, and hence its entries should be nonnegative integers. Otherwise, both x and y must be vectors of the same length. Incomplete cases are removed, the vectors are coerced into factor objects, and the contingency table is computed from these.

P-values are obtained directly using the (central or non-central) hypergeometric distribution.

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The null of conditional independence is equivalent to the hypothesis that the odds ratio equals one. 'Exact' inference can be based on observing that in general, given all marginal totals fixed, the first element of the contingency table has a non-central hypergeometric distribution with non-centrality parameter given by the odds ratio (Fisher, 1935). The alternative for a one-sided test is based on the odds ratio, so alternative = "greater" is a test of the odds ratio being bigger than or.

When paired=TRUE, this denotes there is some pairing of the data. For example, instead of Group A and Group B, we may have pretest and posttest binary responses. The proper two-sided test for such a setup is McNemar's Test, which only uses the off-diagonal elements of the 2x2 table, and tests that both are equal or not. The exact version is based on the binomial distribution on one of the off-diagonal values conditioned on the total of both off-diagonal values. We use binom.exact from the exactci package, and convert the p estimates and confidence intervals (see note) to odds ratios (see Breslow and Day, 1980, p. 165). The function mcnemar.exact is just a wrapper to call exact2x2 with paired=TRUE, alternative="two.sided", tsmethod="central". One-sided exact McNemar-type tests may be calculated using the exact2x2 function with paired=TRUE. For details of McNemar-type tests see Fay (2010, R Journal).

The mid p-value is an adjusted p-value to account for discreteness. The mid-p adjustment is not guaranteed to give type I error rates that are less than or equal to nominal levels, but gives p-values that lead to the probability of rejection that is sometimes less than the nominal level and sometimes greater than the nominal level. This adjustment is sometimes used because exact p-values for discrete data cannot give actual type I error rates equal to the nominal value unless randomization is done (and that is not typically done because two researchers doing the same method could get different answers). Essentially, exact p-values lead to the probability of rejecting being less than the nominal level for most parameter values in the null hypothesis in order to make sure that it is not greater than the nominal level for ANY parameter values in the null hypothesis. The mid p-value was studied by Lancaster (1961), and for the 2x2 case by Hirji et al (1991).

## Value

A list with class "htest" containing the following components:

p. value the p-value of the test

conf.int a confidence interval for the odds ratio

estimate an estimate of the odds ratio. Note that the *conditional Maximum Likelihood* 

Estimate (MLE) rather than the unconditional MLE (the sample odds ratio) is

used.

null.value the odds ratio under the null, or.

alternative a character string describing the alternative hypothesis

method a character string, changes depending on alternative and tsmethod

data.name a character string giving the names of the data

#### Note

The default exact confidence intervals for the odds ratio when paired=TRUE (those matching the exact McNemar's test) are transformations of the Clopper-Pearson exact confidence intervals for a single binomial parameter which are central intervals. See note for binom.exact for discussion of exact binomial confidence intervals.

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#### See Also

```
fisher.test or mcnemar.test
```

#### **Examples**

```
## In example 1, notice how fisher.test rejects the null at the 5 percent level,
## but the 95 percent confidence interval on the odds ratio contains 1
## The intervals do not match the p-value.
## In fisher.exact you get p-values and the matching confidence intervals
example1<-matrix(c(6,12,12,5),2,2,dimnames=list(c("Group A", "Group B"),c("Event", "No Event")))
example1
fisher.test(example1)
fisher.exact(example1,tsmethod="minlike")
fisher.exact(example1,tsmethod="central")
blaker.exact(example1)
## In example 2, this same thing happens, for
## tsmethod="minlike"... this cannot be avoided because
## of the holes in the confidence set.
example 2 < -matrix(c(7,255,30,464),2,2,dimnames = list(c("Group A", "Group B"),c("Event", "No Event")))
example2
fisher.test(example2)
exact2x2(example2,tsmethod="minlike")
## you can never get a test-CI inconsistency when tsmethod="central"
exact2x2(example2,tsmethod="central")
```

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exac	ct2x2Plot	Plot p-value function for one 2 by 2 table.

# **Description**

Plots two-sided p-values as a function of odds ratios. Can plot three types of p-values: the two-sided Fisher's exact, the central Fisher's exact (i.e., twice the one-sided Fisher's exact), and Blaker's exact.

## Usage

```
exact2x2Plot(x, y=NULL, OR = NULL, ndiv = 1000, tsmethod=NULL,
  method = NULL, paired=FALSE, orRange = NULL, dolog = TRUE,
  dolines = FALSE, dopoints = TRUE, doci=TRUE,
  alternative=c("two.sided","less","greater"),
  conf.level=.95, alphaline=TRUE, newplot = TRUE, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

X	matrix representing the 2 by 2 table
У	a factor object; ignored if x is a matrix.
OR	odds ratio values for plot, if NULL divides orRange into ndiv pieces
ndiv	number of pieces to divide up odds ratio range
tsmethod	either "minlike", "blaker" or "central"
method	same as tsmethod, kept for backward compatability
paired	logical, do paired analysis giving McNemar's test p-values
orRange	range for calculating odds ratios
dolog	logical,plot odds ratios on log scale?
dolines	logical, add lines to a plot?
dopoints	logical, add points to a plot?
doci	logical, add vertical lines at confidence interval?
alternative	one of "two.sided", "less", "greater", type of alternative for p-values
conf.level	when doci=TRUE, level for confidence interval to be plotted

values passed to plot, points, or lines statement

logical, start a new plot?

logical, if doci=TRUE should a line be drawn at the significance level?

#### See Also

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## **Examples**

```
example1<-matrix(c(6,12,12,5),2,2,dimnames=list(c("Group A","Group B"),c("Event","No Event")))
example1
exact2x2Plot(example1)
## add lines from central Fisher's exact
exact2x2Plot(example1,method="central",dolines=TRUE,newplot=FALSE,col="red")</pre>
```

mcnemarExactDP

Exact McNemar (Paired Binary) Test with Difference in Proportions

## **Description**

Gives a valid (i.e., exact) test of paired binary responses, with compatible confidence intervals on the difference in proportions.

## Usage

## **Arguments**

m	number of pairs with mismatched responses
x	number of pairs with response of 1 for treatment and 0 for control
n	total number of pairs
nullparm	null parameter value for the difference in proportions: proportion with events on treatment minus proportion with events on control
alternative	alternative hypothesis, must be one of "two.sided", "greater" or "less"
conf.level	confidence level for the returned confidence interval
nmc	number of Monte Carlo replications, nmc=0 (default) uses numeric integration

# Details

instead

For paired binary responses, a simple test is McNemars test, which conditions on the number of discordant pairs. The mcnemar.exact function gives results in terms of odds ratios. This function gives results in terms of the difference in proportions. The p-values will be identical between the two functions, but the estimates and confidence intervals will be different.

For this function, we use the melding idea (Fay, et al, 2015), to create compatable confidence intervals with exact versions of McNemars test. For details see Fay and Lumbard (2021). See Fagerland, et al (2013) for other parameters and methods related to paired binary responses. The advantage of this version is that it is exact, and faster than the unconditional exact methods (which may be more powerful).

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## Value

A list with class "htest" containing the following components:

p.value	the p-value of the test
conf.int	a confidence interval for the difference in proportions
estimate	sample proportions and their difference
null.value	difference in proportions under the null
alternative	a character string describing the alternative hypothesis
method	a character string describing the test
data.name	a character string giving the names of the data

## Author(s)

Michael P. Fay, Keith Lumbard

## References

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Fagerland, Lydersen and Laake (2013), Recommended tests and confidence intervals for paired binomial proportions. Statitics in Medicine, 33:2850-2875.

#### See Also

See mcnemar.exact or exact2x2 with paired=TRUE for confidence intervals on the odds ratio.

## **Examples**

```
# For test on contingency table of the pairs
# From Bentur, et al (2009) Pediatric Pulmonology 44:845-850.
# see also Table II of Fagerland, Lydersen and Laake
# (2013, Stat in Med, 33: 2850-2875)
                 After SCT
                AHR No AHR
# Before SCT |
                          1
#
      AHR |
                1
               7 12
#
      No AHR |
#
ahr < -matrix(c(1,7,1,12),2,2,
           dimnames=list(paste("Before SCT,",c("AHR","No AHR")),
                        paste("After SCT,",c("AHR","No AHR"))))
mcnemarExactDP(n=sum(ahr),m=ahr[1,2]+ahr[2,1], x=ahr[1,2])
# compare to mcnemar.exact
```

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```
\# same p-value, but mcnemar.exact gives conf int on odds ratio mcnemar.exact(ahr)
```

plotT

Plot or Print ordering function for unconditional exact test

## **Description**

The function orderMat prints the values for the ordering function for all possible values of X1 and X2 in matrix form.

The function plotT plots the ranking of the ordering function on an n1+1 by n2+1 grid, where each square represents a possible values for (x1,x2). The default colors are from dark blue (highest) to light blue to white (middle) to light red to dard red (lowest), with black=NA.

## Usage

```
plotT(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'function'
plotT(x, n1, n2, delta0 = 1, main = "",...)

## S3 method for class 'numeric'
plotT(x, n1, n2, delta0 = 1, main = "",...)

orderMat(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'function'
orderMat(x,n1,n2,delta0,graphStyle=FALSE,...)

## S3 method for class 'numeric'
orderMat(x,n1,n2,delta0,graphStyle=FALSE,...)
```

## **Arguments**

X	object, either a Tstat function, or a vector of all $(n1+1)*(n2+1)$ possible values of the function (see details).
n1	sample size in group 1
n2	sample size in group 2
delta0	null value of parameter (if needed for Tstat function)
main	plot title
graphStyle	logical, order rows with lowest x1 value on the bottom?
	arguments to be passed to the Tstat function

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#### **Details**

If x is all the values of the Tstat function, then the values should be ordered by cycling through the x1 values (0 to n1) for each x2 value. Specifically, it should be the result of Tstat(X1,n1,X2,n2,delta0) where X1=rep(0:n1,n2+1) and X2=rep(0:n2,each=n1+1).

#### **Examples**

```
parorig<- par(no.readonly=TRUE)
par(mfrow=c(2,2),mar=c(1,3,3,1))
TT1<-pickTstat(method="score", parmtype="ratio", tsmethod="central", alternative="two.sided")
round(orderMat(TT1,8,8,1,graphStyle=TRUE),2)
TT2<-pickTstat(method="simple", parmtype="ratio", tsmethod="central", alternative="two.sided")
TT3<-pickTstat(method="simple", parmtype="difference", tsmethod="central", alternative="two.sided")
plotT(TT2, 8,8, 1, main="Ratio, Simple")
plotT(TT3, 8,8, 0, main="Difference, Simple")
plotT(TT1, 8,8, 1, main="Ratio, Score (delta0=1)")
TF<-pickTstat(method="FisherAdj", parmtype="ratio", tsmethod="central", alternative="two.sided")
plotT(TF,8,8,1, main="FisherAdj")
par(parorig)</pre>
```

power2x2

Calculate exact power or sample size for conditional tests for two independent binomials.

## **Description**

Power is calculated by power2x2 which calls exact2x2 function repeatedly. Default (strict=FALSE) does not count rejections in the wrong direction.

Sample size is calculated by ss2x2 which calls power2x2 repeatedly finding the lowest sample size that has at least the nominal power, using the uniroot.integer function from the ssanv package.

# Usage

```
power2x2(p0,p1,n0,n1=NULL,sig.level=0.05,
  alternative=c("two.sided","one.sided"),paired=FALSE,
  strict=FALSE,tsmethod=NULL,nullOddsRatio=1,
  errbound=10^-6,approx=FALSE)

ss2x2(p0,p1,power=.80,n1.over.n0=1,sig.level=0.05,
  alternative=c("two.sided","one.sided"),paired=FALSE,
  strict=FALSE,tsmethod=NULL,nullOddsRatio=1,
  errbound=10^-6,print.steps=FALSE, approx=FALSE)
```

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## Arguments

p0	true event rate in control group
p1	true event rate in treatment group
n0	number of observations in control group
n1	number of observations in treatment group (if NULL
sig.level	significance level (Type I error probability)
power	minimum power for sample size calculation
n1.over.n0	ratio of n1 over n0, allows for non-equal sample size

11. over . n0 ratio of n1 over n0, allows for non-equal sample size allocation

alternative character, either "two.sided" or "one.sided", one sided tests the proper direction

n1 = n0

according to p0 and p1

strict use strict interpretation of two-sided test, if TRUE counts rejections in wrong

direction

tsmethod two.sided method, ignored if strict=FALSE, or alternative equals 'less' or 'greater'.

see exact2x2 for details.

nullOddsRatio null odds ratio value for tests

paired must be FALSE, for TRUE instead use powerPaired2x2

print.steps logical, print steps for calculation of sample size?

errbound bound on error of calculation

approx give sample size or power using normal approximation only

#### **Details**

Assuming  $X0 \sim \text{Binomial}(n0,p0)$  and  $X1 \sim \text{Binomial}(n1,p1)$ , calculates the power by repeatedly calling exact2x2 and summing probability of rejection. For speed, the function does not calculate the very unlikely values of X0 and X1 unless errbound=0. Power is exact, but may underestimate by at most errbound.

When strict=FALSE we do not count rejections in the wrong direction. This means that we must know the direction of the rejection, so two.sided tests are calculated as one.sided tests (in the correct direction) with level equal to sig.level/2. This is like using the tsmethod='central'.

When approx=TRUE for power2x2 use a continuity corrected normal approximation (Fleiss, 1981, p. 44). For ss2x2 the calculations may be slow, so use print.steps=TRUE to see progress.

## Value

Both power2x2 and ss2x2 return an object of class 'power.htest'. A list with elements

power	power to reject
n0	sample size in control group
n1	sample size in treatment group
p0	true event rate in control group
p1	true event rate in treatment group
sig.level	Significance level (Type I error probability)

alternative alternative hypothesis note about error bound

method description

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## Warning

There may be convergence issues using strict=FALSE with tsmethod="minlike" or "blaker" since the power is not guaranteed to be increasing in the sample size.

#### Note

The calculations in ss2x2 can be slow when p0 is close to p1 and/or the power is large. If p0 and p1 are close with large power, it may be safer to first calculate ss2x2 with approx=TRUE to see what the starting value will be close to. If the starting sample sizes are large (>100), it may take a while.

Note when strict=FALSE (default), the two.sided results at the 0.05 level for Fisher's exact test are like the one.sided Fisher's exact test at the 0.025 level.

#### Author(s)

Michael P. Fay

#### References

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#### See Also

See ss.nonadh function (refinement="Fisher.exact") from the ssanv package for calculation that accounts for nonadherence in proportion of subjects. That function calls fisher.test. For power for McNemar-like test see powerPaired2x2

# **Examples**

```
power2x2(.2,.8,12,15)
# calculate sample size with 2:1 allocation to groups
ss2x2(.2,.8,n1.over.n0=2,power=.8,approx=TRUE)
ss2x2(.2,.8,n1.over.n0=2,power=.8,print.steps=TRUE)
```

powerPaired2x2

Power for exact McNemar's test

# Description

Calculate the power for the exact McNemar's test (i.e., exact2x2 with paired=TRUE) given the number of pairs and the probability of a positive response only in the test individual in the pair (pb), and the probability of a positive response only in the control individual in the pair (pc).

## Usage

```
powerPaired2x2(pb, pc, npairs, sig.level = 0.05,
   alternative = c("two.sided", "one.sided"),
   strict = FALSE, nullOddsRatio = 1, errbound = 10^-6, ...)
```

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## Arguments

pb probability of a (0,1) response for a pair, meaning negative response in the con-

trol individual and a positive response in the test individual

pc probability of a (1,0) response for a pair, meaning positive response in the con-

trol individual and a negative response in the test individual

npairs the number of pairs

sig.level significance level (also called alpha-level)

alternative either 'one.sided' or 'two.sided' (see tsmethod for two-sided method)

strict use strict interpretation in two-sided case (i.e., TRUE allows rejections in the

'wrong' direction)

nullOddsRatio null odds ratio, internally passed to or argument of exact2x2 with paired=TRUE

errbound error bound, errbound=0 does exact calculation, when errbound>0 then speed

up calculations by not calculating outcomes at either extreme with tail probabilities less than errbound/2 which may underestimate power by at most errbound.

... arguments passed to exact2x2 (except these arguments cannot be passed this

way: or, alternative, conf.int, paired, plot)

## **Details**

When alternative='one.sided' then the test automatically picks the side that is most powerful. At this point there is no ssPaired2x2 function.

#### Value

An object of class 'power.htest' with elements:

power power

npairs number of pairs

pb probability of a (control,test)=(0,1) response for a pair pc probability of a (control,test)=(1,0) response for a pair

sig.level significance level or alpha-level alternative either one-sided or two-sided

nullOddsRatio null odds ratio (or boundary between null and alternative for one-sided tests)

note notes about calculation (e.g., errbound value)

method description of method

#### **Examples**

powerPaired2x2(.5,.3,npairs=20)

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## **Description**

The uncondExact2x2 function tests 2x2 tables assuming two independent binomial responses. Unlike the conditional exact tests which condition on both margins of the 2x2 table (see exact2x2), these unconditional tests only condition on one margin of the 2x2 table (i.e., condition on the sample sizes of the binomial responses). This makes the calculations difficult because now there is a nuisance parameter and calculations must be done over nearly the entire nuisance parameter space.

## Usage

```
uncondExact2x2(x1, n1, x2, n2,
    parmtype = c("difference", "ratio", "oddsratio"), nullparm = NULL,
    alternative = c("two.sided","less", "greater"),
    conf.int = FALSE, conf.level = 0.95,
    method = c("FisherAdj", "simple", "score","wald-pooled", "wald-unpooled", "user",
        "user-fixed"),
    tsmethod = c("central","square"), midp = FALSE,
    gamma = 0, EplusM=FALSE, tiebreak=FALSE,
    plotprobs = FALSE, control=ucControl(), Tfunc=NULL,...)
uncondExact2x2Pvals(n1, n2, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

x1	number of events in group 1
n1	sample size in group 1
x2	number of events in group 2
n2	sample size in group 2
parmtype	type of parameter of interest, one of "difference", "ratio" or "oddsratio" (see details)
nullparm	value of the parameter of interest at null hypothesis, NULL defaults to 0 for parmtype='difference' and 1 for parmtype='ratio' or 'oddsratio'
alternative	alternative hypothesis, one of "two.sided", "less", or "greater", default is "two.sided" (see details)
conf.int	logical, calculate confidence interval?
conf.level	confidence level
method	method type, one of "FisherAdj" (default), "simple", "simpleTB", "wald-pooled", "wald-unpooled", "score", "user", or "user-fixed" (see details)
tsmethod	two-sided method, either "central" or "square" (see details)
midp	logical. Use mid-p-value method?

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gamma Beger-Boos adjustment parameter. 0 means no adjustment. (see details).

EplusM logical, do the E+M adjustment? (see details) tiebreak logical, do tiebreak adjustment? (see details)

plotprobs logical, plot probabilities?

control list of algorithm parameters, see ucControl

Tfunc test statistic function for ordering the sample space when method='user', ig-

nored otherwise (see details)

... extra arguments passed to Tfunc (for uncondExact2x2), or passed to uncondEx-

act2x2 (for uncondExact2x2Pvals)

#### **Details**

The uncondExact2x2 function gives unconditional exact tests and confidence intervals for two independent binomial observations. The uncondExact2x2Pvals function repeatedly calls uncondExact2x2 to get the p-values for the entire sample space.

Let X1 be binomial(n1,theta1) and X2 be binomial(n2,theta2). The parmtype determines the parameter of interest: 'difference' is theta2 - theta1, 'ratio' is theta2/theta1, and 'oddsratio' is (theta2\*(1-theta1))/(theta1\*(1-theta2)).

The options method, parmtype, tsmethod, alternative, EplusM, and tiebreak define some built-in test statistic function, Tstat, that is used to order the sample space, using pickTstat and calcTall. The first 5 arguments of Tstat must be Tstat(X1,N1,X2,N2, delta0), where X1 and X2 must allow vectors, and delta0 is the null parameter value (but delta0 does not need to be used in the ordering). Ordering when parmtype="ratio" or parmtype="oddsratio" is only used when there is information about the parameter. So the ordering function value is not used for ordering when x1=0 and x2=0 for parmtype="ratio", and it is not used when x1=0 and x2=0 for parmtype="oddsratio".

We describe the ordering functions first for the basic case, the case when tsmethod="central" or alternative!="two.sided", EplusM=FALSE, and tiebreak=FALSE. In this basic case the ordering function, Tstat, is determined by method and parmtype:

- method='simple' Tstat essentially replaces theta1 with x1/n1 and theta2 with x2/n2 in the parameter definition. If parmtype='difference' then Tstat(X1,N1,X2,N2,delta0) returns X2/N2-X1/N1-delta0. If parmtype='ratio' then the Tstat function returns log(X2/N2) log(X1/N1) log(delta0). If parmtype='oddsratio' we get log(X2\*(N1-X1)/(delta0\*X1\*(N2-X2))).
- method='wald-pooled' Tstat is a Z statistic on the difference using the pooled variance (not allowed if parmtype!="difference")
- method='wald-unpooled' Tstat is a Z statistics on the difference using unpooled variance (not allowed if parmtype!="difference")
- method='score' Tstat is a Z statistic formed using score statistics, where the parameter is defined by parmtype, and the constrained maximum likelihood estimates of the parameter are calculated by constrMLE.difference, constrMLE.ratio, or constrMLE.oddsratio.
- method='FisherAdj' Tstat is a one-sided Fisher's 'exact' mid p-value. The mid p-value is an adjustment for ties that technically removes the 'exactness' of the Fisher's p-value...BUT, here we are only using it to order the sample space, so the results of the resulting unconditional test will still be exact.

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• method='user' - Tstat is a user supplied statistic given by Tfunc, it must be a function with the first 5 elements of its call being (X1, N1, X2, N2, delta0). The function must returns a vector of length the same as X1 and X2, where higher values suggest larger theta2 compared to theta1 (when tsmethod!="square") or higher values suggest more extreme (when tsmethod="square" and alternative=="two.sided"). A slower algorithm that does not require monotonicity of one-sided p-values with respect to delta0 is used.

• method='user-fixed' - For advanced users. Tstat is a user supplied statistic given by Tfunc. It should have first 5 elements as described above but its result should not change with delta0 and it must meet Barnard's convexity conditions. If these conditions are met (the conditions are not checked, since checking them will slow the algorithm), then the p-values will be monotonic in delta0 (the null parameter for a two-sided test) and we can use a faster algorithm.

In the basic case, if alternative="two.sided", the argument tsmethod="central" gives the two-sided central method. The p-value is just twice the minimum of the one-sided p-values (or 1 if the doubling is greater than 1).

Now consider cases other than the basic case. The tsmethod="square" option gives the square of the test statistic (when method="simple", "score", "wald-pooled", or "wald-unpooled") and larger values suggest rejection in either direction (unless method='user', then the user supplies any test statistic for which larger values suggest rejection).

The tiebreak=TRUE option breaks ties in a reasonable way when method="simple" (see 'details' section of calcTall). The EplusM=TRUE option performs Lloyd's (2008) E+M ordering on Tstat (see 'details' section of calcTall).

If tiebreak=TRUE and EplusM=TRUE, the tiebreak calculations are always done first.

Berger and Boos (1994) developed a very general method for calculating p-values when a nuisance parameter is present. First, calculate a (1-gamma) confidence interval for the nuisance parameter, check for the supremum over the union of the null hypothesis parameter space and that confidence interval, then add back gamma to the p-value. This adjustment is valid (in other words, applied to exact tests it still gives an adjustment that is exact). The Berger-Boos adjustment is applied when gamma>0.

When method='simple' or method='user-fixed' does a simple grid search algorithm using unirootGrid. No checks are done on the Tstat function when method='user-fixed' to make sure the simple grid search will converge to the proper answer. So method='user-fixed' should be used by advanced users only.

When midp=TRUE the mid p-value is calculated (and the associated confidence interval if conf.int=TRUE) instead of the standard p-value. Loosely speaking, the standard p-value calculates the probability of observing equal or more extreme responses, while the mid p-value calculates the probability of more extreme responses plus 1/2 the probability of equally extreme responses. The tests and confidence intervals when midp=TRUE are not exact, but give type I error rates and coverage of confidence intervals closer to the nominal values. The mid p-value was studied by Lancaster (1961), see vignette on mid p-values for details.

See Fay and Hunsberger (2021) for a review paper giving the details for these kinds of unconditional exact tests.

#### Value

The function uncondExact2x2Pvals returns a (n1+1) by (n2+1) matrix of p-values for all possible x1 and x2 values, while uncondExact2x2 returns a list of class 'htest' with elements:

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statistic	proportion in sample 1
parameter	proportion in sample 2
p.value	p-value from test
conf.int	confidence interval on parameter given by parmtype
estimate	MLE estimate of parameter given by parmtype
null.value	null hypothesis value of parameter given by parmtype
alternative	alternative hypothesis
method	description of test
data.name	description of data

# Warning

The algorithm for calculating the p-values and confidence intervals is based on a series of grid searches. Because the grid searches are often trying to optimize non-monotonic functions, the algorithm is not guaranteed to give the correct answer. At the cost of increasing computation time, better accuracy can be obtained by increasing control\$nPgrid, and less often by increasing control\$nCIgrid.

## Author(s)

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## See Also

See boschloo for unconditional exact tests with ordering function based on Fisher's exact p-values.

## **Examples**

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uncondPower2x2	Calculate power or sample size for any 2x2 test.	_

## **Description**

The function Power2x2 and SS2x2 calculates the power or sample size for any 2x2 test, while the function uncondPower2x2 calculates power for only tests supported by uncondExact2x2Pvals.

# Usage

```
Power2x2(n1, n2, theta1, theta2, alpha, pvalFunc, ...)
uncondPower2x2(n1,n2, theta1, theta2, alpha, ...)
SS2x2(theta1, theta2, alpha, pvalFunc, power=0.90,
    n1start=10, increaseby=1, n2.over.n1=1,
    maxiter=50, printSteps=TRUE, ...)
```

# Arguments

r	rguments		
	n1	sample size in group 1	
	n2	sample size in group 2	
	theta1	probability of success in group 1	
	theta2	probability of success in group 2	
	alpha	significance level	
	pvalFunc	function that inputs x1,n1,x2,n2 and outputs a p-value.	
	power	target power	
	n1start	value of n1 for first iteration	
	increaseby	positive integer, how much to increase n1 by for each iteration	
	n2.over.n1	ratio of n2/n1	
	maxiter	maximum number of iterations	
	printSteps	logical, should the power and sample size be printed after each iteration?	
	• • •	arguments passed to uncondExact2x2Pvals (for uncondPower2x2), or to Power2x2 (for SS2x2). Not used and saved for future use for Power2x2.	

## **Details**

The function Power2x2 is a very simple function to calculate power. It calculates power where rejection is when the p-value from pvalFunc is less than or equal to alpha. The function SS2x2 repeatedly calls Power2x2 as it increases the sample size, stopping when the power is greater than 'power'.

The function uncondPower2x2 is similar except the p-values are calculated by uncondExact2x2Pvals.

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## Value

the power functions return only the power. The sample size function returns a list of class 'ht-est.power'.

## See Also

For power and sample size for conditional exact tests (e.g., Fisher's exact tests) see power2x2 and ss2x2. For power for the boundary-optimized rejection region (BORR) test see powerBorr.

## **Examples**

```
library(exact2x2)
Power2x2(3,4,.1,.9,0.025, pvalFunc=
  function(x1,n1,x2,n2){
      boschloo(x1,n1,x2,n2, alternative="greater",
        or=1,tsmethod="central", midp=TRUE)$p.value
  }
)
##
## Not run:
SS2x2(.1,.9,0.025, n1start=5, pvalFunc=
           function(x1,n1,x2,n2){
             boschloo(x1,n1,x2,n2, alternative="greater",
                      or=1,tsmethod="central", midp=TRUE)$p.value
           }
)
## End(Not run)
```

unirootGrid

Function to find a root by grid search.

## **Description**

Find the root (value where the function equals 0) of a monotonic function, func, using a halving algorithm grid search.

## Usage

```
unirootGrid(func, power2 = 12, step.up = TRUE, pos.side = FALSE,
    print.steps = FALSE, power2grid = power2gridRatio, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

func	monotonic function
power2	positive integer, number of grid points is 1+2^power2
step.up	logical, start the search at the lower end of the grid and step up?
pos.side	logical, should the root be on the positive side? In other words, should func(root)>=0

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print.steps logical, should each step that is evaluated be printed?

power2grid function that returns the grid. Take one argument, power2

arguments possed to func

... arguments passed to func

#### **Details**

The grid is defined with the power2grid argument that defines a function with an argument power2, and returns a grid with 1+2^power2 elements. The root is found by a halving algorithm on the grid, so func is calculated only power2+1 times. The 'root' is the element that is closest to the root, either on the positive side (pos.side=TRUE) or not.

The unirootGrid function calls uniroot.integer and finds roots based on grid search. The functions power2gridRatio and power2gridDifference create grids for searching (0,Inf) and (-1,1) respectively. The power2gridRatio grid is equally spaced on the log scale with about half of the grid between 0.5 and 2. The function power2grid allows more flexibility in defining grids.

## Value

A list with elements:

iter number of iterations f.root value of func at root

root root, element on the grid that is closest to the root on the negative side (if

pos.side=FALSE)

bound interval for the accuracy

# Author(s)

Michael P. Fay

#### See Also

```
uniroot and uniroot.integer
```

## **Examples**

```
# print.steps prints all iterations,
# with x=rank of grid value (e.g., x=1 is lowest value in grid)
# f(x) really is f(grid[x]) where grid is from the power2grid function
unirootGrid(function(x){ x - .37}, power2=10, power2grid=power2gridRatio,
    print.steps=TRUE, pos.side=TRUE)
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