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Description

FamSKAT-RC is a family-based association kernel test for both rare and common variants.

Usage

```
famSKAT_RC (PHENO, genotypes, id, fullkins, covariates=NULL, sqrtweights_c,  
            sqrtweights_r, binomialimpute=FALSE, acc=NULL, maf, phi)
```

Arguments

PHENO	The vector of the phenotype values. The missing values must be represented by NA.
genotypes	The genotype matrix. Its size should be $N * P$, where N is the number of individuals and P is the number of SNPs.
id	The vector of individual IDs to be included in the test. These IDs are present in the kinship matrix.
fullkins	The full kinship matrix that contains all individuals.
covariates	A matrix of possible covariates.
sqrweights_c	The weight function to be assigned for common variants. An example is: <code>function(maf) ifelse(maf>0, dbeta(maf,0.5,0.5), 0)</code> .
sqrweights_r	The weight function to be assigned for rare variants. An example is: <code>function(maf) ifelse(maf>0, dbeta(maf,1,25), 0)</code> .
binomialimpute	If TRUE, then impute missing genotypes using a binomial distribution (e.g. <code>rbinom(10, 2, MAF)</code> , if 10 genotypes are missing).
acc	The accuracy used in the Davies approximation. For example, <code>acc= 1e-06</code> .
maf	A MAF threshold used to define rare and common variants (e.g. <code>maf=0.01</code>).
phi	This parameter indicates the contribution portion of rare variants. For example, a value of <code>phi=0.5</code> means that the contribution of rare and common variants to the test is equal and a value of <code>phi=1</code> means that only rare variants contribute to the test. You can vary the phi values as you wish and you can also provide a grid of different values (e.g. <code>phi = c(0,0.2,0.5,0.9)</code>). In this case, four p-values will be obtained, one for each value of phi.

Details

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Value

The test statistic p-value.

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Examples

```
library(kinship2)
sample.ped.geno <- process_data()
KIN = kinship(sample.ped.geno$IID, sample.ped.geno$FA, sample.ped.geno$M0)
IID = sample.ped.geno$IID
wuweights_r <- function(maf) ifelse(maf>0, dbeta(maf,1,25), 0)
wuweights_c <- function(maf) ifelse(maf>0, dbeta(maf,0.5,0.5), 0)
P_VALUES <- famSKAT_RC(PHENO=sample.ped.geno[, "Phenotype"], genotypes=as.matrix(
  sample.ped.geno[, 7:ncol(sample.ped.geno)]), binomialimpute=TRUE,
  id=IID, fullkins=KIN, maf=0.05, sqrtweights_c=wuweights_c,
  sqrtweights_r=wuweights_r, phi = c(0,0.2,0.5,0.9))
print(P_VALUES)
```

process_data

Process Data

Description

Processes the raw data included to produce data identical to the (also included) sample.ped.geno data set. This can be used for processing your own pedigrees with SNP data.

Usage

```
process_data(Data = read.table(system.file("extdata", "data",
  package = "famSKATRC"), header = TRUE))
```

Arguments

Data	A string, the path to the location of the data file you are processing, formatted as the included example, which can be loaded with: <code>read.table(system.file("extdata", "data", package = "famSKATRC"), header = TRUE)</code> and can be found in your filesystem at: <code>system.file("extdata", "data", package = "famSKATRC")</code>
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Value

Returns the data frame with completed preprocessing changes for famSKATRC. Mainly reworking IDs so there are not duplicates.

See Also

[famSKATRC](#)

Examples

```
sample.ped.geno <- process_data()
## The function is currently defined as
function(Data = read.table(system.file("extdata", "data",
  package = "famSKATRC"), header = TRUE))
{
```

```

Data[ , "IID"] = paste(Data[ , "FID"] , Data[ , "IID"] ,sep=".")
Data[Data[,"FA"]!=0 , "FA"] = paste(Data[Data[,"FA"]!=0 , "FID"], Data[Data[,"FA"]!=0,
                                "FA"] ,sep=".")
Data[Data[,"FA"]!=0 , "MO"] = paste(Data[Data[,"FA"]!=0 , "FID"], Data[Data[,"FA"]!=0,
                                "MO"] ,sep=".")
return(Data)
}

```

sample.ped.geno

*Sample Pedigree Genotype Data***Description**

A sample pedigree file with SNP data, already processed by the `process_data()` function. The raw data is also included in the package.

Usage

```
data("sample.ped.geno")
```

Format

A data frame with 20 observations on the following 36 variables.

FID a numeric vector
 IID a character vector
 FA a character vector
 MO a character vector
 SEX a numeric vector
 Phenotype a numeric vector
 rs1 a numeric vector
 rs2 a numeric vector
 rs3 a numeric vector
 rs4 a numeric vector
 rs5 a numeric vector
 rs6 a numeric vector
 rs7 a numeric vector
 rs8 a numeric vector
 rs9 a numeric vector
 rs10 a numeric vector
 rs11 a numeric vector
 rs12 a numeric vector

rs13 a numeric vector
 rs14 a numeric vector
 rs15 a numeric vector
 rs16 a numeric vector
 rs17 a numeric vector
 rs18 a numeric vector
 rs19 a numeric vector
 rs20 a numeric vector
 rs21 a numeric vector
 rs22 a numeric vector
 rs23 a numeric vector
 rs24 a numeric vector
 rs25 a numeric vector
 rs26 a numeric vector
 rs27 a numeric vector
 rs28 a numeric vector
 rs29 a numeric vector
 rs30 a numeric vector

Details

A pedigree file with 20 individuals from two families. The first column is a family ID, the second an individual ID, the 3rd gives their father, the 4th their mother, and the 5th their sex. The 6th column gives their phenotype and columns 7 through 36 give their genotype, 30 SNP loci.

Source

This is synthetically generated data.

Examples

```
data(sample.ped.geno)
library(kinship2)
sample.ped.geno$FA[sample.ped.geno$FA == "0"] <- NA
sample.ped.geno$M0[sample.ped.geno$M0 == "0"] <- NA
sample.ped.geno$Phenotype[sample.ped.geno$Phenotype >= 0] <- 1
sample.ped.geno$Phenotype[sample.ped.geno$Phenotype < 0] <- 0
ped.list <- pedigree(id = sample.ped.geno$IID, dadid = sample.ped.geno$FA,
  momid = sample.ped.geno$M0, sex = sample.ped.geno$SEX,
  famid = sample.ped.geno$FID,
  affected = sample.ped.geno$Phenotype)

ped1 <- ped.list[1]
ped2 <- ped.list[2]
plot(ped1)
plot(ped2)
```

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