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# Description

Check that the arguments are following the corresponding conditions

```
checkArguments(
  data = NULL,
  ties_method = "max",
 variables = colnames(data),
 bin_variables = NULL,
  categ_variables = NULL,
  count_variables = NULL,
  n_samples = nrow(data),
  sigma = NULL,
  nrep = 100,
  noise_mu = FALSE,
 pertr_vec = NULL,
  change_cov = NULL,
  change_amount = 0,
  seed = 1,
  thresh_var = NULL,
  thresh_force = FALSE,
  var_prop = NULL,
  var_infl = NULL,
```

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```
infl_cov_stable = FALSE,
tol = 1e-06,
stop_sim = FALSE,
new_mean_sd = NULL,
multi_sugg_prop = NULL,
generalized_mode = FALSE,
generalized_mode_model = NULL,
generalized_mode_lmbds = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

data a data frame containing the data whose characteristics are to be mimicked during

the data simulation.

ties\_method Method on how to deal with equal values during rank transformation. Accept-

able input: "max", "average", "min". This parameter is passed by rbi\_normal\_transform

to the parameter ties.method of rank.

variables a vector of which variables you want to transform. Default:colnames(data)

bin\_variables a character vector listing the binary variables.

categ\_variables

a character vector listing the ordinal categorical variables.

count\_variables

a character vector listing the count as a sub sub category of categorical variables. Count variables should be part of categorical variables vector. Count variables

are treated differently when using gldex to simulate them.

data.

sigma a covariance matrix of NxN (N= number of variables) provided by the user to

bypass the covariance matrix calculations

nrep number of repetitions.

noise\_mu Logical value if you want to apply noise to multivariate mean. Default: FALSE

pertr\_vec A named vector. Vector's names are the continuous variables that the user want

to perturb. Variance of simulated data set mimic original data's variance.

change\_cov change the covariance of a specific pair of variables.

change\_amount the amount of change in the covariance of a specific pair of variables.

seed A numeric value specifying the random seed. If seed = NA, no random seed is

set.

thresh\_var A data frame that contains the thresholds(left and right) of specified variables

(1st column: variable names, 2nd column: Left thresholds, 3rd column: Right

thresholds)

thresh\_force A logical value indicating if you want to force threshold in case the proportion

of samples that can surpass the threshold are less than 10%

var\_prop A named vector that provides a proportion of value=1 for a specific binary vari-

able(=name of the vector) that will be the proportion of this value in the simu-

lated data sets.[this may increase execution time drastically]

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var\_infl

A named vector. Vector's names are the continuous variables that the user want to perturb and increase their variance

infl\_cov\_stable

Logical value. If TRUE, perturbation is applied to original data set and simulations values mimic the perturbed original data set. Covariance matrix used for simulation = original data's correlations. If FALSE, perturbation is applied to the simulated data sets.

tol

A numeric value that set up tolerance(relative to largest variance) for numerical lack of positive-definiteness in Sigma

stop\_sim

A logical value indicating if the analysis should stop before simulation and produce only the correlation matrix

new\_mean\_sd

A matrix that contains two columns named "Mean" and "SD" that the user specifies desired Means and Standard Deviations in the simulated data sets for specific continues variables. The variables must be declared as ROWNAMES in the matrix

multi\_sugg\_prop

A named vector that provides a proportion of value=1 for specific binary variables(=name of the vector) that will be the close to the proportion of this value in the simulated data sets.

generalized\_mode

A logical value indicating if you want to use generalized distribution to simulate your data

generalized\_mode\_model

A matrix that contains two columns named "Variable" and "Model". This matrix can be used only if a generalized\_mode\_model argument is provided. It specifies what model should be used for each Variable. Model values should be "RMFMKL", "RPRS", "STAR" or a combination of them, e.g. "RMFMKL-RPRS" or "STAR-STAR", in case the use wants a bimodal simulation. The user can select Generalised Poisson model for poisson variables, but this model cannot be included in bimodal simulation.

generalized\_mode\_lmbds

A matrix that contains lmbds values for each of the variables of the data set to be used for either Generalized Lambda Distribution Generalized Poisson Distribution or setting up thresholds

#### Value

No value, called for checking arguments of modgo

#### Author(s)

Francisco M. Ojeda, George Koliopanos

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Cleveland

Cleveland Dataset ('Cleveland')

#### Description

Rows: samples (303) x Columns: Variables (11)

## Usage

data("Cleveland")

#### **Format**

A data frame

#### **Details**

Cleveland Clinic Heart Disease Data set from the University of California in Irvine (UCI) machine learning data repository

Dua, Dheeru, and Casey Graff. 2017. "UCI Machine Learning Repository." University of California, Irvine, School of Information; Computer Sciences. http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml

Selected 11 variables and impute missing values Imputation method is described in the Supplementary file 1 of the modgo paper

## References

Detrano, R. et al. (1989) "International application of a new probability algorithm for the diagnosis of coronary artery disease," *The American Journal of Cardiology*, **64**(5), 304-310.

# **Examples**

```
data("Cleveland", package="modgo")
```

corr\_plots

Plots correlation matrix of original and simulated data

## **Description**

Produces a graphical display of the correlation matrix of the original dataset, a single simulated dataset and also of the average of the correlation matrices across all simulations for an object returned by modgo.

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#### Usage

```
corr_plots(
  Modgo_obj,
  sim_dataset = 1,
  variables = colnames(Modgo_obj[["simulated_data"]][[1]])
)
```

# **Arguments**

Modgo\_obj An object returned by modgo.

sim\_dataset Number indicating the simulated dataset in Modgo\_obj to be used in plots.

A character vector indicating the columns in the data to be used in plots.

#### Value

A patchwork object created by wrap\_plots depicting correlation matrices.

#### Author(s)

Francisco M. Ojeda, George Koliopanos

# **Examples**

distr\_plots

Plots distribution of original and simulated data

## **Description**

Produces a graphical display of the distribution of the variables of the original dataset and a single simulated dataset for an object returned by modgo.

```
distr_plots(
  Modgo_obj,
  variables = colnames(Modgo_obj[["original_data"]]),
  sim_dataset = 1,
  wespalette = "Cavalcanti1",
  text_size = 12
)
```

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# **Arguments**

Modgo_obj	An object returned by modgo.
variables	A character vector indicating the columns in the data to be used in plots.
sim_dataset	Number indicating the simulated dataset in Modgo_obj to be used in plots.
wespalette	a name of the selected wesanderson color pallet
text_size	a number for the size of the annotation text

#### **Details**

For continuous variables box-and-whisker plots are displayed, while categorical variables bar charts are produced.

#### Value

A ggplot object depicting distribution of different variables.

## Author(s)

Andreas Ziegler, Francisco M. Ojeda, George Koliopanos

# **Examples**

generalizedMatrix

Generalized Lambda and Poisson preparation

# Description

Prepare the four moments matrix for GLD and GPD

```
generalizedMatrix(
  data,
  variables = colnames(data),
  bin_variables = NULL,
  generalized_mode_model = NULL,
  multi_sugg_prop = NULL
)
```

#### **Arguments**

data a data frame with original variables.

variables a vector of which variables you want to transform. Default:colnames(data)

bin\_variables a character vector listing the binary variables.

generalized\_mode\_model

A matrix that contains two columns named "Variables" and "Model". This matrix can be used only if a generalized\_mode\_model argument is provided. It specifies what model should be used for each Variable. Model values should be "RMFMKL", "RPRS", "STAR" or a combination of them, e.g. "RMFMKL-RPRS" or "STAR-STAR", in case the use wants a bimodal simulation. The user can select Generalized Poisson model for poisson variables, but this model cannot be included in bimodal simulation

multi\_sugg\_prop

A named vector that provides a proportion of value=1 for specific binary variables(=name of the vector) that will be the close to the proportion of this value in the simulated data sets

#### Value

A numeric matrix with the four moments for each distribution and a number that corresponds to a GLD model

#### Author(s)

Francisco M. Ojeda, George Koliopanos

## **Examples**

 ${\tt general\_transform\_inv} \ \ {\it Inverse gldex transformation}$ 

## **Description**

Inverse transforms z values of a vector to simulated values driven by the original dataset using Generalized Lambda and Generalized Poisson percentile functions

generate\_simulated\_data

## Usage

```
general_transform_inv(x, data = NULL, n_samples, lmbds)
```

## Arguments

x a vector of z values

data a data frame with original variables.

n\_samples number of samples you need to produce.

lmbds a vector with generalized lambdas values

#### Value

A numeric vector with inverse transformed values

#### Author(s)

Andreas Ziegler, Francisco M. Ojeda, George Koliopanos

# **Examples**

generate\_simulated\_data

Generate new data set by using previous correlation matrix

## **Description**

This function is used internally by modgo. It conducts the computation of the correlation matrix of the transformed variables, which are assumed to follow a multivariate normal distribution.

## Usage

```
generate_simulated_data(
  data,
  df_sim,
  variables,
 bin_variables,
  categ_variables,
  count_variables,
  n_samples,
  generalized_mode,
  generalized_mode_lmbds,
 multi_sugg_prop,
  pertr_vec,
  var_infl,
  infl_cov_stable
)
```

#### **Arguments**

data a data frame with original variables. df sim a data frame with simulated values.

variables variables a character vector indicating which columns of data should be used.

bin\_variables a character vector listing the binary variables.

categ\_variables

a character vector listing the ordinal categorical variables.

count\_variables

a character vector listing the count as a sub sub category of categorical variables. Count variables should be part of categorical variables vector. Count variables are treated differently when using gldex to simulate them.

Number of rows of each simulated data set. Default is the number of rows of n\_samples

data.

generalized\_mode

A logical value indicating if generalized lambda/poisson distributions or set up thresholds will be used to generate the simulated values

generalized\_mode\_lmbds

A matrix that contains lmbds values for each of the variables of the data set to be used for either Generalized Lambda Distribution Generalized Poisson Distribution or setting up thresholds

multi\_sugg\_prop

A named vector that provides a proportion of value=1 for specific binary variables(=name of the vector) that will be the close to the proportion of this value in the simulated data sets.

A named vector. Vector's names are the continuous variables that the user want pertr\_vec

to perturb. Variance of simulated data set mimic original data's variance.

var\_infl A named vector. Vector's names are the continuous variables that the user want

to perturb and increase their variance

```
infl_cov_stable
```

Logical value. If TRUE, perturbation is applied to original data set and simulations values mimic the perturbed original data set. Covariance matrix used for simulation = original data's correlations. If FALSE, perturbation is applied to the simulated data sets.

#### Value

A data frame with simulated values

## Author(s)

Francisco M. Ojeda, George Koliopanos

```
Inverse_transformation_variables

*Inverse transform variables*
```

## **Description**

This function is used internally by modgo. It transforms all variables to their original scale.

# Usage

```
Inverse_transformation_variables(
  data,
  df_sim,
  variables,
  bin_variables,
  categ_variables,
  count_variables,
  n_samples,
  generalized_mode,
  generalized_mode_lmbds
)
```

# Arguments

data a data frame with original variables.

df\_sim data frame with transformed variables.

variables variables a character vector indicating which columns of data should be used.

bin\_variables a character vector listing the binary variables.

categ\_variables a character vector listing the ordinal categorical variables.

count\_variables

a character vector listing the count as a sub sub category of categorical variables. Count variables should be part of categorical variables vector. Count variables are treated differently when using gldex to simulate them.

n\_samples

Number of rows of each simulated data set. Default is the number of rows of data.

generalized\_mode

A logical value indicating if generalized lambda/poisson distributions or set up thresholds will be used to generate the simulated values

generalized\_mode\_lmbds

A matrix that contains lambdas values for each of the variables of the data set to be used for either Generalized Lambda Distribution Generalized Poisson Distribution or setting up thresholds

#### Value

A data frame with all inverse transformed values.

## Author(s)

Francisco M. Ojeda, George Koliopanos

modgo

MOck Data GeneratiOn

#### **Description**

modgo Create mock dataset from a real one by using ranked based inverse normal transformation. Data with perturbed characteristics can be generated.

```
modgo(
  data,
  ties_method = "max",
  variables = colnames(data),
  bin_variables = NULL,
  categ_variables = NULL,
  count_variables = NULL,
  n_samples = nrow(data),
  sigma = NULL,
  nrep = 100,
  noise_mu = FALSE,
  pertr_vec = NULL,
  change_cov = NULL,
  change_amount = 0,
  seed = 1,
```

```
thresh_var = NULL,
thresh_force = FALSE,
var_prop = NULL,
var_infl = NULL,
infl_cov_stable = FALSE,
tol = 1e-06,
stop_sim = FALSE,
new_mean_sd = NULL,
multi_sugg_prop = NULL,
generalized_mode = FALSE,
generalized_mode_model = NULL,
generalized_mode_lmbds = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

data a data frame containing the data whose characteristics are to be mimicked during

the data simulation.

ties\_method Method on how to deal with equal values during rank transformation. Accept-

able input: "max", "average", "min". This parameter is passed by rbi\_normal\_transform

to the parameter ties.method of rank.

variables a vector of which variables you want to transform. Default:colnames(data)

bin\_variables a character vector listing the binary variables.

categ\_variables

a character vector listing the ordinal categorical variables.

count\_variables

a character vector listing the count as a sub sub category of categorical variables. Count variables should be part of categorical variables vector. Count variables

are treated differently when using gldex to simulate them.

n\_samples Number of rows of each simulated data set. Default is the number of rows of

data.

sigma a covariance matrix of NxN (N= number of variables) provided by the user to

bypass the covariance matrix calculations

nrep number of repetitions.

noise\_mu Logical value if you want to apply noise to multivariate mean. Default: FALSE

pertr\_vec A named vector. Vector's names are the continuous variables that the user want

to perturb. Variance of simulated data set mimic original data's variance.

change\_cov change the covariance of a specific pair of variables.

change\_amount the amount of change in the covariance of a specific pair of variables.

seed A numeric value specifying the random seed. If seed = NA, no random seed is

set.

thresh\_var A data frame that contains the thresholds(left and right) of specified variables

(1st column: variable names, 2nd column: Left thresholds, 3rd column: Right

thresholds)

thresh\_force A logical value indicating if you want to force threshold in case the proportion

of samples that can surpass the threshold are less than 10%

var\_prop A named vector that provides a proportion of value=1 for a specific binary vari-

able(=name of the vector) that will be the proportion of this value in the simu-

lated data sets.[this may increase execution time drastically]

var\_infl A named vector. Vector's names are the continuous variables that the user want

to perturb and increase their variance

infl\_cov\_stable

Logical value. If TRUE, perturbation is applied to original data set and simulations values mimic the perturbed original data set. Covariance matrix used for simulation = original data's correlations. If FALSE, perturbation is applied to

the simulated data sets.

tol A numeric value that set up tolerance(relative to largest variance) for numerical

lack of positive-definiteness in Sigma

stop\_sim A logical value indicating if the analysis should stop before simulation and pro-

duce only the correlation matrix

new\_mean\_sd A matrix that contains two columns named "Mean" and "SD" that the user spec-

ifies desired Means and Standard Deviations in the simulated data sets for specific continues variables. The variables must be declared as ROWNAMES in the

matrix

multi\_sugg\_prop

A named vector that provides a proportion of value=1 for specific binary variables(=name of the vector) that will be the close to the proportion of this value

in the simulated data sets.

generalized\_mode

A logical value indicating if generalized lambda/poisson distributions or set up

thresholds will be used to generate the simulated values

generalized\_mode\_model

A matrix that contains two columns named "Variable" and "Model". This matrix can be used only if a generalized\_mode\_model argument is provided. It specifies what model should be used for each Variable. Model values should be "rmfmkl", "rprs", "star" or a combination of them, e.g. "rmfmkl-rprs" or "star-star", in case the use wants a bimodal simulation. The user can select Generalised Poisson model for poisson variables, but this model cannot be included

in bimodal simulation

generalized\_mode\_lmbds

A matrix that contains lambdas values for each of the variables of the data set to be used for either Generalized Lambda Distribution Generalized Poisson Distri-

bution or setting up thresholds

### **Details**

Simulated data is generated based on available data. The simulated data mimics the characteristics of the original data. The algorithm used is based on the ranked based inverse normal transformation (Koliopanos et al. (2023)).

#### Value

A list with the following components:

simulated\_data A list of data frames containing the simulated data.

original\_data A data frame with the input data.

correlations a list of correlation matrices. The ith element is the correlation matrix for the ith

simulated dataset. The (repn + 1)the (last) element of the list is the average of

the correlation matrices.

bin\_variables character vector listing the binary variables

categ\_variables

a character vector listing the ordinal categorical variables

covariance\_matrix

Covariance matrix used when generating observations from a multivariate nor-

mal distribution.

seed Random seed used.

samples\_produced

Number of rows of each simulated dataset.

sim\_dataset\_number

Number of simulated datasets produced.

A list with the following components:

simulated\_data A list of data frames containing the simulated data.

original\_data A data frame with the input data.

correlations a list of correlation matrices. The ith element is the correlation matrix for the ith

simulated dataset. The (repn + 1)the (last) element of the list is the average of

the correlation matrices.

bin\_variables character vector listing the binary variables

categ\_variables

a character vector listing the ordinal categorical variables

covariance\_matrix

Covariance matrix used when generating observations from a multivariate nor-

mal distribution.

seed Random seed used.

samples\_produced

Number of rows of each simulated dataset.

sim\_dataset\_number

Number of simulated datasets produced.

#### Author(s)

Francisco M. Ojeda, George Koliopanos

## References

Koliopanos, G. and Ojeda, F. and Ziegler Andreas (2023), "A simple-to-use R package for mimicking study data by simulations," *Methods Inf Med*.

## **Examples**

```
data("Cleveland",package="modgo")
test_modgo <- modgo(data = Cleveland,
    bin_variables = c("CAD","HighFastBloodSugar","Sex","ExInducedAngina"),
    categ_variables =c("Chestpaintype"))</pre>
```

modgo\_survival

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## **Description**

modgo\_survival Create mock dataset from a real one by using Generalized Lambdas Distributions and by seperating the data set in 2 based in the event status.

```
modgo_survival(
  data,
  event_variable = NULL,
  time_variable = NULL,
  surv_method = 1,
  ties_method = "max",
  variables = colnames(data),
  bin_variables = NULL,
  categ_variables = NULL,
  count_variables = NULL,
  n_samples = nrow(data),
  sigma = NULL,
  nrep = 100,
  noise_mu = FALSE,
  pertr_vec = NULL,
  change_cov = NULL,
  change\_amount = 0,
  seed = 1,
  thresh_var = NULL,
  thresh_force = FALSE,
  var_prop = NULL,
  var_infl = NULL,
  infl_cov_stable = FALSE,
  tol = 1e-06,
  stop_sim = FALSE,
  new_mean_sd = NULL,
 multi_sugg_prop = NULL,
  generalized_mode = TRUE,
  generalized_mode_model = NULL,
  generalized_model_event = "rprs",
  generalized_mode_model_no_event = "rprs",
```

```
generalized_mode_lmbds = NULL
)
```

#### Arguments

data a data frame containing the data whose characteristics are to be mimicked during

the data simulation.

event\_variable a character string listing the event variable.

time\_variable a character string listing the time variable.

surv\_method A numeric value that indicates which one of the 2 survival methods will be

used. First method(surv\_method = 1): Event and no event data sets are using different covariance matrices for the simulation. Second method(surv\_method = 2): Event and no event data sets are using the same covariance matrix for the

simulation

ties\_method Method on how to deal with equal values during rank transformation. Accept-

able input: "max", "average", "min". This parameter is passed by rbi\_normal\_transform

to the parameter ties.method of rank.

variables a vector of which variables you want to transform. Default:colnames(data)

bin\_variables a character vector listing the binary variables.

categ\_variables

a character vector listing the ordinal categorical variables.

count\_variables

a character vector listing the count as a sub sub category of categorical variables. Count variables should be part of categorical variables vector. Count variables

are treated differently when using gldex to simulate them.

n\_samples Number of rows of each simulated data set. Default is the number of rows of

data

sigma a covariance matrix of NxN (N= number of variables) provided by the user to

bypass the covariance matrix calculations

nrep number of repetitions.

noise\_mu Logical value if you want to apply noise to multivariate mean. Default: FALSE

pertr\_vec A named vector. Vector's names are the continuous variables that the user want

to perturb. Variance of simulated data set mimic original data's variance.

change\_cov change the covariance of a specific pair of variables.

change\_amount the amount of change in the covariance of a specific pair of variables.

seed A numeric value specifying the random seed. If seed = NA, no random seed is

set.

thresh\_var A data frame that contains the thresholds(left and right) of specified variables

(1st column: variable names, 2nd column: Left thresholds, 3rd column: Right

thresholds)

thresh\_force A logical value indicating if you want to force threshold in case the proportion

of samples that can surpass the threshold are less than 10%

A named vector that provides a proportion of value=1 for a specific binary varivar\_prop

able(=name of the vector) that will be the proportion of this value in the simu-

lated data sets. [this may increase execution time drastically]

A named vector. Vector's names are the continuous variables that the user want var\_infl

to perturb and increase their variance

infl\_cov\_stable

Logical value. If TRUE, perturbation is applied to original data set and simulations values mimic the perturbed original data set. Covariance matrix used for simulation = original data's correlations. If FALSE, perturbation is applied to

the simulated data sets.

A numeric value that set up tolerance(relative to largest variance) for numerical

lack of positive-definiteness in Sigma

stop\_sim A logical value indicating if the analysis should stop before simulation and pro-

duce only the correlation matrix

new\_mean\_sd A matrix that contains two columns named "Mean" and "SD" that the user spec-

> ifies desired Means and Standard Deviations in the simulated data sets for specific continues variables. The variables must be declared as ROWNAMES in the

matrix

multi\_sugg\_prop

A named vector that provides a proportion of value=1 for specific binary variables(=name of the vector) that will be the close to the proportion of this value in the simulated data sets.

generalized\_mode

A logical value indicating if generalized lambda/poisson distributions or set up thresholds will be used to generate the simulated values

generalized\_mode\_model

A matrix that contains two columns named "Variable" and "Model". This matrix can be used only if a generalized\_mode\_model argument is provided. It specifies what model should be used for each Variable. Model values should be "rmfmkl", "rprs", "star" or a combination of them, e.g. "rmfmkl-rprs" or "star-star", in case the use wants a bimodal simulation. The user can select Generalised Poisson model for poisson variables, but this model cannot be included in bimodal simulation

generalized\_mode\_model\_event

A matrix that contains two columns named "Variable" and "Model" and it is to be used for the event data set(event = 1). This matrix can be used only if a generalized\_mode\_model argument is provided. It specifies what model should be used for each Variable. Model values should be "rmfmkl", "rprs", "star" or a combination of them, e.g. "rmfmkl-rprs" or "star-star", in case the use wants a bimodal simulation. The user can select Generalised Poisson model for poisson variables, but this model cannot be included in bimodal simulation

generalized\_mode\_model\_no\_event

A matrix that contains two columns named "Variable" and "Model" and it is to be used for the non-event data set(event = 0). This matrix can be used only if a generalized\_mode\_model argument is provided. It specifies what model should be used for each Variable. Model values should be "rmfmkl", "rprs", "star" or a combination of them, e.g. "rmfmkl-rprs" or "star-star", in case the use wants a

tol

bimodal simulation. The user can select Generalised Poisson model for poisson variables, but this model cannot be included in bimodal simulation

generalized\_mode\_lmbds

A matrix that contains lambdas values for each of the variables of the data set to be used for either Generalized Lambda Distribution Generalized Poisson Distribution or setting up thresholds

#### **Details**

Simulated data is generated based on available data. The simulated data mimics the characteristics of the original data. The algorithm used is based on the ranked based inverse normal transformation (Koliopanos et al. (2023)).

#### Value

A list with the following components:

simulated\_data A list of data frames containing the simulated data.

original\_data A data frame with the input data.

correlations a list of correlation matrices. The ith element is the correlation matrix for the ith

simulated dataset. The (repn + 1)the (last) element of the list is the average of

the correlation matrices.

bin\_variables character vector listing the binary variables

categ\_variables

a character vector listing the ordinal categorical variables

covariance\_matrix

Covariance matrix used when generating observations from a multivariate nor-

mal distribution.

seed Random seed used.

samples\_produced

Number of rows of each simulated dataset.

sim\_dataset\_number

Number of simulated datasets produced.

#### Author(s)

Francisco M. Ojeda, George Koliopanos

## **Examples**

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```
time_variable = "time",
generalized_mode_model_no_event = "rmfmkl",
generalized_mode_model_event = "rprs")
```

multicenter\_comb

Modgo multi-studies

# Description

Combines modgo objects from a multiple studies to a single one in order to calculate new correlations and visualise the data

## Usage

```
multicenter_comb(modgo_1, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

```
modgo_1 a list modgo object.
... multiple modgo object names.
```

#### Value

A modgo object/list that consist the merging of multiple modgo objects.

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```
rbi_normal_transform Rank based inverse normal transformation
```

## **Description**

Applies the rank based inverse normal transformation to numeric vector.

# Usage

```
rbi_normal_transform(x, ties_method = c("max", "min", "average"))
```

## **Arguments**

x a numeric vector

ties\_method Method on how to deal with equal values during rank transformation. Acceptable

input:"max", "average", "min". This parameter is passed to the parameter ties. method

of rank.

#### **Details**

The rank based inverse normal transformation (Beasley et al. (2009)), transforms values of a vector to ranks and then applies the quantile function of the standard normal distribution.

#### Value

A numeric vector with rank transformed values.

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#### References

Beasley, T.M. and Erickson S. and Allison D.B. (2009), "Rank-based inverse normal transformations are increasingly used, but are they merited?," *Behavior genetics* **39**, 580-595.

## **Examples**

```
data("Cleveland",package="modgo")
test_rank <- rbi_normal_transform(Cleveland[,1])</pre>
```

```
rbi_normal_transform_inv
```

Inverse of rank based inverse normal transformation

#### **Description**

Transforms a vector x using the inverse of rank based inverse normal transformation associated with a given vector x\_original. This inverse is defined as  $F_n^{-1}\Phi(x)$ , where  $F_n^{-1}$  is the inverse empirical cumulative distribution function of x\_original and  $\Phi$  is the cumulative distribution function of a standard normal random variable.

#### Usage

```
rbi_normal_transform_inv(x, x_original)
```

## **Arguments**

x a numeric vector.

x\_original a numeric vector from the original dataset

### Value

A numeric vector with inverse transformed values

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## **Examples**

Sigma\_calculation

Calculate Sigma with the help of polychoric and polyserial functions

## **Description**

This function is used internally by modgo. It conducts the computation of the correlation matrix of the transformed variables, which are assumed to follow a multivariate normal distribution.

#### **Usage**

```
Sigma_calculation(data, variables, bin_variables, categ_variables, ties_method)
```

# **Arguments**

data a data frame with original variables.

variables variables a character vector indicating which columns of data should be used.

bin\_variables a character vector listing the binary variables.

categ\_variables

a character vector listing the ordinal categorical variables.

ties\_method Method on how to deal with equal values during rank transformation. Accept-

able input: "max", "average", "min". This parameter is passed by rbi\_normal\_transform

to the parameter ties.method of rank.

#### Value

A numeric matrix with correlation values.

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Sigma\_transformation Correlation of transformed variables

#### **Description**

This function is used internally by modgo. It finishes the computation of the correlation matrix of the transformed variables, which are assumed to follow a multivariate normal distribution. It computes the correlations involving at least one categorical variable. For this purpose the biserial, tetrachoric, polyserial and polychoric correlations are used.

# Usage

```
Sigma_transformation(
  data,
  data_z,
  Sigma,
  variables,
  bin_variables = c(),
  categ_variables = c()
```

## **Arguments**

data a data frame with original variables.
data\_z data frame with transformed variables.

Sigma A numeric square matrix.

variables variables a character vector indicating which columns of data should be used.

bin\_variables a character vector listing the binary variables.

categ\_variables

a character vector listing the ordinal categorical variables.

#### Value

A numeric matrix with correlation values.

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