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Description

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Details

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The accuracy measures that can be compared in the present version are sensitivity, specificity, positive and negative predictive values, and positive and negative diagnostic likelihood ratios.

It is required that results from a binary gold-standard test are also available.

Methods for comparison of sensitivity and specificity: McNemar test (McNemar, 1947) and exact binomial test. Further, several methods to compute confidence intervals for differences in sensitivity and specificity are implemented.

Methods for comparison of positive and negative predictive values: generalized score statistic (Leisenring et al., 2000), weighted generalized score statistic (Kosinski, 2013) and comparison of relative predictive values (Moskowitz and Pepe, 2006).

Methods for comparison of positive and negative diagnostic likelihood ratios: a regression model approach (Gu and Pepe, 2009).

For a general introduction into the evaluation of diagnostic tests see e.g. Pepe (2003) or Zhou et al. (2011).

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See Also

- Data management functions: [tab.1test](#), [tab.paired](#), [read.tab.paired](#), [generate.paired](#) and [represent.long](#).
- Computation of standard accuracy measures for a single test: [acc.1test](#) and [acc.paired](#).
- Comparison of sensitivity and specificity: [sesp.mcnemar](#), [sesp.exactbinom](#) and [sesp.diff.ci](#).
- Comparison of positive and negative predictive values: [pv.gs](#), [pv.wgs](#) and [pv.rpv](#).
- Comparison of positive and negative diagnostic likelihood ratios: [dlr.regtest](#) and [DLR](#).

Examples

```
data(Paired1) # Hypothetical study data
hsd <- tab.paired(d=d, y1=y1, y2=y2, data=Paired1)
acc.paired(hsd)
sesp.mcnemar(hsd)
pv.rpv(hsd)
dlr.regtest(hsd)
```

acc.1test

Accuracy of a Single Binary Diagnostic Test

Description

Sensitivity and specificity, (positive and negative) predictive values and (positive and negative) diagnostic likelihood ratios of a single binary diagnostic test.

Usage

```
acc.1test(tab, alpha, testname, ...)
```

Arguments

tab	An object of class <code>tab.1test</code> .
alpha	Significance level alpha for 100(1-alpha)%-confidence intervals, the default is 0.05.
testname	A character variable containing the name of the diagnostic test.
...	Additional arguments (usually not required).

Details

The calculation of accuracy measures and their variances follows standard methodology, e.g. described in Pepe (2003) or Zhou et al. (2011). Confidence intervals for diagnostic likelihood ratios are computed according to Simel et al. (1991).

Value

A list of class `acc.1test`:

tab	A contingency table (matrix) of test results; the same tab that is supplied as an argument.
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	Diseased	Non-diseased	Total
Test pos.
Test neg.
Total

sensitivity	A numeric vector containing the estimated sensitivity (<code>est</code>), its standard error (<code>se</code>), lower confidence limit (<code>lcl</code>) and upper confidence limit (<code>ucl</code>).
specificity	A numeric vector containing the estimated specificity (<code>est</code>), its standard error (<code>se</code>), lower confidence limit (<code>lcl</code>) and upper confidence limit (<code>ucl</code>).
ppv	A numeric vector containing the estimated positive predictive value (<code>est</code>), its standard error (<code>se</code>), lower confidence limit (<code>lcl</code>) and upper confidence limit (<code>ucl</code>).
npv	A numeric vector containing the estimated negative predictive value (<code>est</code>), its standard error (<code>se</code>), lower confidence limit (<code>lcl</code>) and upper confidence limit (<code>ucl</code>).
pdlr	A numeric vector containing the estimated positive diagnostic likelihood ratio (<code>est</code>), the standard error of the logarithm of the positive diagnostic likelihood ratio (<code>se.ln</code>), the lower confidence limit (<code>lcl</code>) and the upper confidence limit (<code>ucl</code>).
ndlr	A numeric vector containing the estimated negative diagnostic likelihood ratio (<code>est</code>), the standard error of the logarithm of the negative diagnostic likelihood ratio (<code>se.ln</code>), the lower confidence limit (<code>lcl</code>) and the upper confidence limit (<code>ucl</code>).
alpha	The significance level alpha used to compute 100(1-alpha)%-confidence intervals, the default is 0.05.
testname	A character variable containing the name of the diagnostic test.

References

- Pepe, M. (2003). The statistical evaluation of medical tests for classification and prediction. Oxford Statistical Science Series. Oxford University Press, 1st edition.
- Simel, D.L., Samsa, G.P., Matchar, D.B. (1991). Likelihood ratios with confidence: sample size estimation for diagnostic test studies. *J Clin Epidemiol*, 44(8):763-70.
- Zhou, X., Obuchowski, N., and McClish, D. (2011). Statistical Methods in Diagnostic Medicine. Wiley Series in Probability and Statistics. John Wiley & Sons, Hoboken, New Jersey, 2nd edition.

See Also

[tab.1test](#), [print.acc.1test](#), [acc.paired](#).

Examples

```
data(Paired1) # Hypothetical study data
a1 <- tab.1test(d=d, y=y1, data=Paired1)
a2 <- acc.1test(a1)
print(a2)
```

acc.paired

Accuracy of Two Binary Diagnostic Tests in a Paired Study Design

Description

Sensitivity and specificity, (positive and negative) predictive values and (positive and negative) diagnostic likelihood ratios of a two binary diagnostic tests in a paired study design.

Usage

```
acc.paired(tab, alpha, ...)
```

Arguments

tab	An object of class tab.paired .
alpha	Significance level alpha for 100(1-alpha)%-confidence intervals, the default is 0.05.
...	Additional arguments, usually not required.

Details

The calculation of accuracy measures and their variances follows standard methodology, e.g. described in Pepe (2003) or Zhou et al. (2011).

Value

An list of class `acc.paired`:

Test1 A list of class `acc.1test` containing results and accuracy estimates of Test 1.
 Test2 A list of class `acc.1test` containing results and accuracy estimates of Test 2.

References

Pepe, M. (2003). The statistical evaluation of medical tests for classification and prediction. Oxford Statistical Science Series. Oxford University Press, 1st edition.

Zhou, X., Obuchowski, N., and McClish, D. (2011). Statistical Methods in Diagnostic Medicine. Wiley Series in Probability and Statistics. John Wiley & Sons, Hoboken, New Jersey, 2nd edition.

See Also

`tab.paired`, `print.acc.paired`, `acc.1test`.

Examples

```
data(Paired1) # Hypothetical study data
b1 <- tab.paired(d=d, y1=y1, y2=y2, data=Paired1)
b2 <- acc.paired(b1)
print(b2)
```

DLR	<i>Estimating the Capacity for Improvement in Diagnostic Risk Prediction with an additional marker based on the Diagnostic Likelihood Ratio (DLR)</i>
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Description

This function allows for estimating the log diagnostic likelihood ratio in a regression model approach. It can be used to assess the gain in diagnostic accuracy for a new binary or continuous diagnostic marker compared to established markers, to determine the impact of covariates on the risk prediction model, and to estimate the DLR for selected marker/covariate values.

Usage

```
DLR(basemodel, augmentedmodel, diseasestatus, dataset, clustervar = NULL, alpha=0.05)
```

Arguments

`basemodel` pre-test/base model X, formula character string
`augmentedmodel` post-test/ augmented model V, formula character string, this is usually the base-model X including the additional diagnostic test of interest Y and interactions XY

diseasestatus	variable name containing disease status, assumed to be a 0/1 variable, for having condition of interest (1) or not (0), character string
dataset	dataframe, needs to be in wide format with one observation per subject
clustervar	optional, cluster variable name in dataset, character string
alpha	significance level alpha used for confidence intervals, the default is 0.05.

Details

This function is an implementation of the algorithm described in the appendix of Gu and Pepe (2009) using the GEE approach in order to get standard error estimates. The definition of I and Zero matrices is slightly more flexible than the ones described in section 3 in order to allow for models without interaction.

Value

Returns a list including

logPreTestModel	logistic regression model output for prior disease using base model X: $P(D=1 X)$. All estimates are on a log scale.
logPostTestModel	logistic regression model output for posterior disease using augmented model V: $P(D=1 X,Y)$, i.e. $P(D=1 V)$. All estimates are on a log scale.
logDLRModel	regression model output for log DLR defined as difference between logPostTestModel and logPreTestModel. All estimates are on a log scale.
DLR	Positive/negative DLR for diagnostic marker Y, with all base covariates X set to 1. Results are only sensible for binary marker Y taking values 0/1.

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References

Gu, W. and Pepe, M. S. (2009). Estimating the capacity for improvement in risk prediction with a marker. *Biostatistics*, 10(1):172-86.

See Also

[dlr.regtest](#)

Examples

```
library(DTComPair)
data(Paired1)

# test y1 conditioned on null model: DLR+(Y1=1) and DLR-(Y1=0)

DLR("~ 1", "~ y1", "d", Paired1)
```

```
# test y1 conditioned on test y2 with interaction, DLR+(Y1=1|Y2=1) and DLR-(Y1=0|Y2=1)
DLR("~ y2", "~ y2 * y1", "d", Paired1)
```

dlr.regtest

Differences in Diagnostic Likelihood Ratios

Description

Performs a test for differences in (positive and negative) diagnostic likelihood ratios (DLRs) of two binary diagnostic tests in a paired study using a regression model approach proposed by Gu and Pepe (2009).

Usage

```
dlr.regtest(tab, alpha)
```

Arguments

tab	An object of class <code>tab.paired</code> .
alpha	Significance level alpha for 100(1-alpha)%-confidence intervals, the default is 0.05.

Details

The null hypothesis $rDLR = DLR \text{ of Test 1} / DLR \text{ of Test 2} = 1$ is tested with respect to both positive and negative DLRs of the two diagnostic tests.

This function calls [DLR](#), a general implementation of the method proposed by Gu and Pepe (2009).

Value

A list containing

pdlr	A list with <code>test1</code> (the positive DLR of test 1), <code>test2</code> (the positive DLR of test 2), <code>ratio</code> (the ratio of positive DLRs, computed as <code>test1/test2</code> , <code>se.log</code> (the standard error of the logarithm of ratio), the <code>test.statistic</code> and the corresponding <code>p.value</code> .
ndlr	A list with <code>test1</code> (the negative DLR of test 1), <code>test2</code> (the negative DLR of test 2), <code>ratio</code> (the ratio of negative DLRs, computed as <code>test1/test2</code> , <code>se.log</code> (the standard error of the logarithm of ratio), the <code>test.statistic</code> and the corresponding <code>p.value</code> .
alpha	The significance level alpha used to compute 100(1-alpha)%-confidence intervals for the ratio of positive and negative DLRs, the default is 0.05.
method	The name of the method used to compare the positive and negative DLRs, here "diagnostic likelihood regression model (regtest)".

References

Gu, W. and Pepe, M. S. (2009). Estimating the capacity for improvement in risk prediction with a marker. *Biostatistics*, 10(1):172-86.

See Also

[DLR](#)

Examples

```
data(Paired1) # Hypothetical study data
ptab <- tab.paired(d=d, y1=y1, y2=y2, data=Paired1)
ptab
dlr.results <- dlr.regtest(ptab)
str(dlr.results)
dlr.results
```

generate.paired	<i>Generate Dataset from “tab.paired”-Object</i>
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Description

Generates a dataset from contingency tables of binary diagnostic test results in a paired study design.

Usage

```
generate.paired(tab, ...)
```

Arguments

tab	An object of class tab.paired .
...	Additional arguments (usually not required).

Value

A dataframe containing:

d	A numeric vector specifying the gold-standard results (1 = presence of disease, 0 = absence of disease).
y1	A numeric vector specifying the results of diagnostic test 1 (1 = positive, 0 = negative).
y2	A numeric vector specifying the results of diagnostic test 2 (1 = positive, 0 = negative).

See Also

[tab.paired](#) and [read.tab.paired](#).

Examples

```
data(Paired1) # Hypothetical study data
ftable(Paired1)
paired.layout <- tab.paired(d=d, y1=y1, y2=y2, data=Paired1)
new.df <- generate.paired(paired.layout)
head(new.df)
ftable(new.df)
```

Paired1	<i>DTCComPair-dataset 1</i>
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Description

Hypothetical data from a paired study that aims to compare the accuracy of two binary diagnostic tests.

Usage

```
Paired1
```

Format

A dataframe containing 3 columns (d, y1 and y2) and 712 rows.

d is a numeric vector specifying the gold-standard results (1 = presence of disease, 0 = absence of disease).

y1 is a numeric vector specifying the results of diagnostic test 1 (1 = positive, 0 = negative).

y2 is a numeric vector specifying the results of diagnostic test 1 (1 = positive, 0 = negative).

Examples

```
data(Paired1) # Hypothetical study data
ftable(Paired1)
```

print.acc.1test	<i>Print "acc.1test"-Object</i>
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Description

Prints objects of class `acc.1test` in an easy-to-read form.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'acc.1test'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

- x An object of class [acc.1test](#).
- ... Additional arguments (usually not required).

See Also

[acc.1test](#).

Examples

```
data(Paired1) # Hypothetical study data
a1 <- tab.1test(d=d, y=y1, data=Paired1)
a2 <- acc.1test(a1)
print(a2)
```

`print.acc.paired` *Print "acc.paired"-Object*

Description

Prints objects of class [acc.paired](#) in an easy-to-read form.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'acc.paired'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

- x An object of class [acc.paired](#).
- ... Additional arguments (usually not required).

See Also

[acc.paired](#).

Examples

```
data(Paired1) # Hypothetical study data
b1 <- tab.paired(d=d, y1=y1, y2=y2, data=Paired1)
b2 <- acc.paired(b1)
print(b2)
```

print.tab.1test *Print “tab.1test”-Object*

Description

Prints objects of class `tab.1test` in an easy-to-read form.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'tab.1test'  
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x An object of class `tab.1test`.
... Additional arguments (usually not required).

See Also

`tab.1test`, `acc.1test`, `tab.paired`.

Examples

```
data(Paired1) # Hypothetical study data  
a <- tab.1test(d=d, y=y1, data=Paired1)  
print(a)
```

print.tab.paired *Print “tab.paired”-Object*

Description

Prints objects of class `tab.paired` in an easy-to-read form.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'tab.paired'  
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x An object of class `tab.paired`.
... Additional arguments (usually not required).

See Also

[tab.paired](#), [acc.paired](#), [tab.1test](#).

Examples

```
data(Paired1) # Hypothetical study data
b <- tab.paired(d=d, y1=y1, y2=y2, data=Paired1)
print(b)
```

pv.gs

Generalized Score Statistic for Comparison of Predictive Values

Description

Performs a test for differences in (positive and negative) predictive values of two binary diagnostic tests using a generalized score statistic proposed by Leisenring, Alonzo and Pepe (2000).

Usage

```
pv.gs(tab)
```

Arguments

tab An object of class [tab.paired](#).

Value

A list containing:

ppv	A list with test1 (the positive predictive value of test 1), test2 (the positive predictive value of test 2), diff (the difference in positive predictive values, computed as test2 - test1), the test.statistic and the corresponding p.value.
npv	A list with test1 (the negative predictive value of test 1), test2 (the negative predictive value of test 2), diff (the difference in negative predictive values, computed as test2 - test1), the test.statistic and the corresponding p.value.
method	The name of the method used to compare predictive values, here “generalized score statistic (gs)”.

References

Leisenring, W., Alonzo, T., and Pepe, M. S. (2000). Comparisons of predictive values of binary medical diagnostic tests for paired designs. *Biometrics*, 56(2):345-51.

See Also

[pv.wgs](#) and [pv.rpv](#).

Examples

```

data(Paired1) # Hypothetical study data
ftable(Paired1)
paired.layout <- tab.paired(d=d, y1=y1, y2=y2, data=Paired1)
paired.layout
gs.results <- pv.gs(paired.layout)
str(gs.results)
gs.results
gs.results$ppv["p.value"]

```

pv.rpv

*Comparison of Predictive Values using Relative Predictive Values***Description**

Performs a test for differences in (positive and negative) predictive values of two binary diagnostic tests in a paired study design using relative predictive values, as proposed by Moskowitz and Pepe (2006).

Usage

```
pv.rpv(tab, alpha)
```

Arguments

tab	An object of class <code>tab.paired</code> .
alpha	Significance level alpha used to compute 100(1-alpha)%-confidence intervals, the default is 0.05.

Value

A list containing:

ppv	A list with test1 (the positive predictive value of test 1), test2 (the positive predictive value of test 2), rppv (the relative positive predictive value, computed as test1 / test2), se.log.rppv (the standard error of the logarithm of rppv), lc1.rppv (the lower confidence limit of rppv), uc1.rppv (the upper confidence limit of rppv), the test.statistic and the corresponding p.value.
npv	A list with test1 (the negative predictive value of test 1), test2 (the negative predictive value of test 2), rnpv (the relative negative predictive value, computed as test1 / test2), se.log.rnpv (the standard error of the logarithm of rnpv), lc1.rnpv (the lower confidence limit of rnpv), uc1.rnpv (the upper confidence limit of rnpv), the test.statistic and the corresponding p.value.
method	The name of the method used to compare predictive values, here “relative predictive values (rpv)”.
alpha	The significance level alpha used to compute 100(1-alpha)%-confidence intervals for rppv and rnpv, the default is 0.05.

References

Moskowitz, C.S., and Pepe, M.S. (2006). Comparing the predictive values of diagnostic tests: sample size and analysis for paired study designs. *Clin Trials*, 3(3):272-9.

See Also

[pv.gs](#) and [pv.wgs](#).

Examples

```
data(Paired1) # Hypothetical study data
ftable(Paired1)
paired.layout <- tab.paired(d=d, y1=y1, y2=y2, data=Paired1)
paired.layout
rpv.results <- pv.rpv(paired.layout)
str(rpv.results)
rpv.results
rpv.results$ppv["p.value"]
```

pv.wgs	<i>Weighted Generalized Score Statistic for Comparison of Predictive Values</i>
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Description

Performs a test for differences in (positive and negative) predictive values of two binary diagnostic tests using a weighted generalized score statistic proposed by Kosinski (2013).

Usage

```
pv.wgs(tab)
```

Arguments

`tab` An object of class [tab.paired](#).

Value

A list containing:

ppv	A list with test1 (the positive predictive value of test 1), test2 (the positive predictive value of test 2), diff (the difference in positive predictive values, computed as test2 - test1, the test.statistic and the corresponding p.value.
npv	A list with test1 (the negative predictive value of test 1), test2 (the negative predictive value of test 2), diff (the difference in negative predictive values, computed as test2 - test1, the test.statistic and the corresponding p.value.
method	The name of the method used to compare predictive values, here “weighted generalized score statistic (wgs)”.

References

Kosinski, A.S. (2013). A weighted generalized score statistic for comparison of predictive values of diagnostic tests. *Stat Med*, 32(6):964-77.

See Also

[pv.gs](#) and [pv.rpv](#).

Examples

```
data(Paired1) # Hypothetical study data
ftable(Paired1)
paired.layout <- tab.paired(d=d, y1=y1, y2=y2, data=Paired1)
paired.layout
wgs.results <- pv.wgs(paired.layout)
str(wgs.results)
wgs.results
wgs.results$ppv["p.value"]
```

read.tab.1test

Read in “tab.1test”-Objects

Description

Reads in objects of class [tab.1test](#) using cell frequencies.

Usage

```
read.tab.1test(a, b, c, d, testname, ...)
```

Arguments

a	The number of diseased subjects with a positive test.
b	The number of non-diseased subjects with a positive test.
c	The number of diseased subjects with a negative test.
d	The number of non-diseased subjects with a negative test.
testname	An optional vector specifying the name of the diagnostic test, e.g. c("Test A"). If not supplied, the corresponding variable name is used as testname.
...	Additional arguments (usually not required).

Value

Returns a list of class `tab.1test` containing:

<code>tab.1test</code>	A contingency table (matrix) of test results.			
	Diseased	Non-diseased	Total	
Test pos.	a	b	a+b	
Test neg.	c	d	c+d	
Total	a+c	b+d	a+b+c+d	
<code>testname</code>	The name of the diagnostic test.			

Note

Objects of class `tab.1test` are required as arguments for `acc.1test`, a function to compute the accuracy of a binary diagnostic test.

See Also

`tab.1test`, `print.tab.1test`, `acc.1test`.

Examples

```
read.t1 <- read.tab.1test(321, 51, 730, 272, testname="Test1")
class(read.t1)
read.t1
acc.1test(read.t1)
```

`read.tab.paired` *Read in "tab.paired"-Objects*

Description

Reads in objects of class `tab.paired` using cell frequencies.

Usage

```
read.tab.paired(d.a, d.b, d.c, d.d, nd.a, nd.b, nd.c, nd.d, testnames, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>d.a</code>	The number of diseased subjects with a positive test 1 and a positive test 2.
<code>d.b</code>	The number of diseased subjects with a negative test 1 and a positive test 2.
<code>d.c</code>	The number of diseased subjects with a positive test 1 and a negative test 2.
<code>d.d</code>	The number of diseased subjects with a negative test 1 and a negative test 2.
<code>nd.a</code>	The number of non-diseased subjects with a positive test 1 and a positive test 2.

nd.b	The number of non-diseased subjects with a negative test 1 and a positive test 2.
nd.c	The number of non-diseased subjects with a positive test 1 and a negative test 2.
nd.d	The number of non-diseased subjects with a negative test 1 and a negative test 2.
testnames	An optional vector specifying the names of diagnostic test 1 and diagnostic test 2, e.g. <code>c("Test A", "Test B")</code> . If not supplied, the variable names are used as testnames.
...	Additional arguments (usually not required).

Value

Returns a list of class `tab.paired` containing:

`diseased` A contingency table (matrix) of test results among *diseased* subjects.

	Test1 pos.	Test1 neg.	Total
Test 2 pos.	d.a	d.b	d.a+d.b
Test 2 neg.	d.c	d.d	d.c+d.d
Total	d.a+d.c	d.b+d.d	d.a+d.b+d.c+d.d

`non.diseased` A contingency table (matrix) of test results among *non-diseased* subjects.

	Test1 pos.	Test1 neg.	Total
Test 2 pos.	nd.a	nd.b	nd.a+nd.b
Test 2 neg.	nd.c	nd.d	nd.c+nd.d
Total	nd.a+nd.c	nd.b+nd.d	nd.a+nd.b+nd.c+nd.d

`testnames` The names of the diagnostic tests.

Note

Objects of class `tab.paired` are essential arguments for various functions in the `DTComPair`-package.

See Also

`tab.paired`, `print.tab.paired`, `acc.paired`, `generate.paired`.

Examples

```
read.t2 <- read.tab.paired(321, 51, 730, 272,
                          120, 8, 74, 109,
                          testnames=c("Test A", "Test B"))
class(read.t2)
read.t2
acc.paired(read.t2)
```

represent.long	<i>Long Representation of Results from Two Binary Diagnostic Tests</i>
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Description

Long representation of results from two binary diagnostic tests.

Usage

```
represent.long(d, y1, y2)
```

Arguments

d	A numeric vector specifying the gold-standard results (1 = presence of disease, 0 = absence of disease).
y1	A numeric vector specifying the results of diagnostic test 1 (1 = positive, 0 = negative).
y2	An numeric vector specifying the results of diagnostic test 2 (1 = positive, 0 = negative).

Details

Sometimes a long representation of data from a “paired” study of binary diagnostic tests is required, e.g. to run regression analyses.

In a *wide* representation each subject has 1 record in the dataset containing d, y1 and y2.

In a *long* representation each subjects has 2 records in the dataset, one for each test. The data format is shown below.

Value

A dataframe containing:

id	A numeric vector specifying the patient identifier.
d	A numeric vector specifying the gold-standard results (1 = presence of disease, 0 = absence of disease).
x	A numeric vector specifying the diagnostic test (1 = test 1, 0 = test 2).
y	A numeric vector specifying the test results (1 = positive, 0 = negative).

See Also

[tab.paired](#) and [read.tab.paired](#).

Examples

```
data(Paired1) # Hypothetical study data
names(Paired1)
new.long <- represent.long(d=Paired1$d, y1=Paired1$y1, y2=Paired1$y2)
str(new.long)
head(new.long)
```

sesp.diff.ci

Confidence Intervals for Differences in Sensitivity and Specificity

Description

Calculates confidence intervals for differences in sensitivity and specificity of two binary diagnostic tests in a paired study design.

Usage

```
sesp.diff.ci(tab, ci.method, alpha, cont.corr)
```

Arguments

tab	An object of class <code>tab.paired</code> .
ci.method	The available methods are “wald” (Altman, 1991), “agresti-min” (Agresti and Min, 2005), “bonett-price” (Bonett and Price, 2011), and “tango” (Tango, 1998), the default is “wald”.
alpha	Significance level alpha for 100(1-alpha)%-confidence intervals for the difference in sensitivity and specificity, the default is 0.05.
cont.corr	A logical value indicating whether the continuity correction should be used (only available for <code>ci.method="wald"</code>), the default is FALSE.

Details

For details and recommendations see Newcombe (2012) and Wenzel and Zapf (2013).

Value

A list containing:

sensitivity	A vector containing test1 (the sensitivity of test 1), test2 (the specificity of test 2), diff (the difference between the two sensitivities, computed as test2 - test1), diff.se (the standard error of diff), diff.lcl (the lower confidence limit of diff) and diff.ucl (the upper confidence limit of diff).
specificity	A vector containing test1 (specificity of test 1), test2 (specificity of test 2), diff (the difference between the two specificities, computed as test2 - test1), diff.se (the standard error of diff), diff.lcl (the lower confidence limit of diff) and diff.ucl (the upper confidence limit of diff).

ci.method	The name of the method used to calculate confidence intervals.
alpha	The level alpha used to compute 100(1-alpha)%-confidence intervals.
cont.corr	A logical value indicating whether the continuity correction was applied.

References

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Examples

```
library(DTComPair)
t1 <- read.tab.paired(18, 14, 0, 18,
                    18, 12, 2, 18)
t1
sesp.diff.ci(t1, ci.method="wald", cont.corr=FALSE)
sesp.diff.ci(t1, ci.method="wald", cont.corr=TRUE)
sesp.diff.ci(t1, ci.method="agresti-min")
sesp.diff.ci(t1, ci.method="tango")
```

sesp.exactbinom *Exact Binomial Test for Differences in Sensitivity and Specificity*

Description

Performs an exact binomial test for differences in sensitivity and specificity of two binary diagnostic tests in a paired study design.

Usage

```
sesp.exactbinom(tab)
```

Arguments

tab An object of class `tab.paired`.

Details

The function performs a standard exact binomial test.

An exact binomial test is recommended when the number of patients with differing results for test 1 and test 2 (discordant pairs) is small, i.e. <20 (Zhou et al., 2011).

Value

A list containing:

sensitivity	A list containing test1 (sensitivity of test 1), test2 (specificity of test 2), diff (the difference in sensitivity, computed as test2 - test1) and the corresponding p.value.
specificity	A list containing test1 (specificity of test 1), test2 (specificity of test 2), diff (the difference in specificity, computed as test2 - test1) and the corresponding p.value.
method	The name of the method used to compare sensitivity and specificity, here “exactbinom”.

References

Zhou, X., Obuchowski, N., and McClish, D. (2011). *Statistical Methods in Diagnostic Medicine*. Wiley Series in Probability and Statistics. John Wiley & Sons, Hoboken, New Jersey, 2nd edition.

See Also

[sesp.mcnemar](#) and [tab.paired](#).

Examples

```
data(Paired1) # Hypothetical study data
ftable(Paired1)
paired.layout <- tab.paired(d=d, y1=y1, y2=y2, data=Paired1)
paired.layout
exact.results <- sesp.exactbinom(paired.layout)
str(exact.results)
exact.results
exact.results$sensitivity["p.value"]
```

sesp.mcnemar

McNemar Test for Comparison of Sensitivities and Specificities

Description

Performs a McNemar Test for comparison of sensitivities and specificities of two binary diagnostic tests in a paired study design.

Usage

```
sesp.mcnemar(tab)
```

Arguments

`tab` An object of class `tab.paired`.

Details

The test is performed as described by McNemar (1947).

Value

A list containing:

<code>sensitivity</code>	A list containing <code>test1</code> (sensitivity of test 1), <code>test2</code> (specificity of test 2), <code>diff</code> (the difference in sensitivity, computed as <code>test2 - test1</code>), the <code>test.statistic</code> and the corresponding <code>p.value</code> .
<code>specificity</code>	A list containing <code>test1</code> (specificity of test 1), <code>test2</code> (specificity of test 2), <code>diff</code> (the difference in specificity, computed as <code>test2 - test1</code>), the <code>test.statistic</code> and the corresponding <code>p.value</code> .
<code>method</code>	The name of the method used to compare sensitivity and specificity, here “ <code>mcnemar</code> ”.

References

McNemar, Q. (1947). Note on the sampling error of the difference between correlated proportions or percentages. *Psychometrika*, 12(2):153-7.

See Also

[sesp.exactbinom](#) and [tab.paired](#).

Examples

```
data(Paired1) # Hypothetical study data
ftable(Paired1)
paired.layout <- tab.paired(d=d, y1=y1, y2=y2, data=Paired1)
paired.layout
mcnem.results <- sesp.mcnemar(paired.layout)
str(mcnem.results)
mcnem.results
mcnem.results$sensitivity[“p.value”]
```

tab.1test

*Tabulate Single Binary Diagnostic Test vs. Gold-Standard***Description**

Produces a contingency table of results from a single binary diagnostic test vs. the gold-standard results.

Usage

```
tab.1test(d, y, data = NULL, testname, ...)
```

Arguments

d	A numeric vector specifying the gold-standard results (1 = presence of disease, 0 = absence of disease).
y	A numeric vector specifying the results of the diagnostic test (1 = positive, 0 = negative).
data	An optional data frame, list or environment containing the required variables d and y.
testname	An optional character variable specifying the name of the diagnostic test, e.g. c("Test A"). If not supplied, the variable name is used as the testname.
...	Additional arguments (usually not required).

Value

Returns a list of class `tab.1test`:

`tab.1test` A contingency table (matrix) of test results.

	Diseased	Non-diseased	Total
Test pos.
Test neg.
Total

`testname` The name of the diagnostic test.

Note

Objects of class `tab.1test` are required as arguments for `acc.1test`, a function to compute the accuracy of a binary diagnostic test.

See Also

`tab.paired`, `acc.1test`, `acc.paired`.

Examples

```
data(Paired1) # Hypothetical study data
a <- tab.1test(d=d, y=y1, data=Paired1)
str(a)
a$tab.1test
a
```

tab.paired	<i>Tabulate Results from Two Binary Diagnostic Tests in a Paired Study Design</i>
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Description

Produces contingency tables of results from two binary diagnostic tests evaluated in a paired study design.

Usage

```
tab.paired(d, y1, y2, data = NULL, testnames, ...)
```

Arguments

d	A numeric vector specifying the gold-standard results (1 = presence of disease, 0 = absence of disease).
y1	A numeric vector specifying the results of diagnostic test 1 (1 = positive, 0 = negative).
y2	A numeric vector specifying the results of diagnostic test 2 (1 = positive, 0 = negative).
data	An optional data frame, list or environment containing the required variables d, y1 and y2.
testnames	An optional vector specifying the names of diagnostic test 1 and diagnostic test 2, e.g. c("Test A", "Test B"). If not supplied, the variable names are used as testnames.
...	Additional arguments (usually not required).

Value

Returns a list of class `tab.paired`:

diseased	A contingency table (matrix) of test results among <i>diseased</i> subjects.
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	Test1 pos.	Test1 neg.	Total
Test2 pos.
Test2 neg.
Total

non.diseased A contingency table (matrix) of test results among *non-diseased* subjects.

	Test1 pos.	Test1 neg.	Total
Test2 pos.
Test2 neg.
Total

testnames The names of the diagnostic tests.

Note

Objects of class `tab.paired` are essential arguments for various functions in the `DComPair`-package.

See Also

[print.tab.paired](#), [read.tab.paired](#), [tab.1test](#).

Examples

```
data(Paired1) # Hypothetical study data
b <- tab.paired(d=d, y1=y1, y2=y2, data=Paired1)
str(b)
b$diseased
b$non.diseased
print(b)
```

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