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darts-package

*Statistical Tools to Analyze Your Darts Game*


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## Description

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## References

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<http://stat.stanford.edu/~ryantibs/darts/>

## Examples

```
# An example of how to use this package to calculate my variance, and
# then generate a personalized heatmap instructing me where to aim

# Start with 100 scores from throws aimed at the center of the board
x = c(12,16,19,3,17,1,25,19,17,50,18,1,3,17,2,2,13,18,16,2,25,5,5,
1,5,4,17,25,25,50,3,7,17,17,3,3,3,7,11,10,25,1,19,15,4,1,5,12,17,16,
50,20,20,20,25,50,2,17,3,20,20,20,5,1,18,15,2,3,25,12,9,3,3,19,16,20,
5,5,1,4,15,16,5,20,16,2,25,6,12,25,11,25,7,2,5,19,17,17,2,12)

#####
# Simple model
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## Step 1: EM algorithm
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```

# Get my variance in the simple Gaussian model
a = simpleEM(x,niter=100)

# Check the log likelihood
plot(1:a$niter,a$loglik,type="l",xlab="Iteration",ylab="Log likelihood")

# The EM estimate of my variance
s = a$s.final

## Step 2: Generate a heatmap

# Build the matrix of expected scores
e = simpleExpScores(s)

# Plot it
par(mfrow=c(1,2))
drawHeatmap(e)
drawBoard(new=TRUE)
drawAimSpot(e)

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# General model
#####

## Step 1: EM algorithm

# Get my variance in the general Gaussian model
aa = generalEM(x,niter=100,seed=0)

# The EM estimate of my covariance matrix
Sig = aa$Sig.final

## Step 2: Generate a heatmap

# Build the matrix of expected scores
ee = generalExpScores(Sig)

# Plot it
par(mfrow=c(1,2))
drawHeatmap(ee)
drawBoard(new=TRUE)
drawAimSpot(ee)

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drawAimSpot

*Optimal Aiming Spot*


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### Description

Draws the optimal aiming location, i.e. the spot with the highest expected score, on top of an existing plot.

**Usage**

```
drawAimSpot(e, col = "blue", pch = 19, ...)
```

**Arguments**

e	A matrix of the expected scores, created by the function <code>simpleExpScores</code> or <code>generalExpScores</code> .
col	The color of the dot.
pch	The plotting "character" for the dot.
...	More arguments for drawing the dot.

**Author(s)**

Ryan Tibshirani

**Examples**

```
# This will take a couple of seconds
e = simpleExpScores(s=0)

# This is what your heatmap would look like if you had perfect accuracy
par(mfrow=c(1,2))
drawHeatmap(e)
drawBoard(new=TRUE)
drawAimSpot(e)
```

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drawBoard

*Dartboard*

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**Description**

Draws the dartboard, either as a new plot or on top of an existing one.

**Usage**

```
drawBoard(new = FALSE, lines = TRUE, numbers = TRUE, outside = TRUE,
          col = "black", ...)
```

**Arguments**

new	Make a new plot?
lines	Draw the lines separating the regions?
numbers	Draw the numbers?
outside	Draw the numbers outside (or inside) the dartboard?
col	The color for the lines.
...	More arguments for drawing the numbers (text).

**Author(s)**

Ryan Tibshirani

**Examples**

```
# Draw a new dartboard
drawBoard(new=TRUE)
```

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drawHeatmap	<i>Heatmap of Expected Scores</i>
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**Description**

Draws a heatmap of the expected score as the aiming location varies across the dartboard, as a new plot.

**Usage**

```
drawHeatmap(e, col = heat.colors(30))
```

**Arguments**

e	A matrix of the expected scores, created by the function <code>simpleExpScores</code> or <code>generalExpScores</code> .
col	The colors to use for the heatmap.

**Author(s)**

Ryan Tibshirani

**Examples**

```
# This will take a couple of seconds
e = simpleExpScores(s=0)

# This is what your heatmap would look like if you had
# perfect accuracy
drawHeatmap(e)
```

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 generalEM

*EM Algorithm for the General Model*


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**Description**

EM algorithm to estimate your variance based on your scores, in the general model.

**Usage**

```
generalEM(x, Sig.init = c(10^2, 10^2, 0.1 * 10 * 10), niter = 100,
          seed = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

x	Scores of throws aimed at the center of the dartboard.
Sig.init	The initial guess for the covariance matrix, represented as a vector: x marginal variance, then y marginal variance, then x-y covariance.
niter	The number of iterations.
seed	The seed for the random number generator (the E-step is done by importance sampling).

**Value**

Sig.final	The final estimate of the covariance matrix.
Sig.init	The initial estimate of the covariance matrix.
Sig	The estimate of the covariance at each iteration.
loglik	The log likelihood at each iteration—currently not implemented (this is just an array of 0s).
niter	The number of iterations.

**Author(s)**

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**Examples**

```
# Scores of 100 of my dart throws, aimed at the center of the board
x = c(12,16,19,3,17,1,25,19,17,50,18,1,3,17,2,2,13,18,16,2,25,5,5,
1,5,4,17,25,25,50,3,7,17,17,3,3,3,7,11,10,25,1,19,15,4,1,5,12,17,16,
50,20,20,20,25,50,2,17,3,20,20,20,5,1,18,15,2,3,25,12,9,3,3,19,16,20,
5,5,1,4,15,16,5,20,16,2,25,6,12,25,11,25,7,2,5,19,17,17,2,12)

# Get my variance in the general Gaussian model
a = generalEM(x,niter=100,seed=0)

# The EM estimate of my covariance matrix
Sig = a$Sig.final
```

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generalExpScores	<i>Expected Scores for the General Model</i>
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**Description**

Computes the expected score as the aiming location varies across the board, using the specified covariance matrix and the general model for dart throws.

**Usage**

```
generalExpScores(Sig)
```

**Arguments**

Sig                    The covariance matrix.

**Value**

e                      The matrix of expected scores.

**Author(s)**

Ryan Tibshirani

**Examples**

```
# Generate the matrix of expected scores if my covariance is
# Sig=c(15^2,30^2,0), in the general model. This will take a
# couple of seconds.
e = generalExpScores(Sig=c(15^2,30^2,0))

# Draw a heatmap!
drawHeatmap(e)
```

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simpleEM	<i>EM Algorithm for the Simple Model</i>
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**Description**

EM algorithm to estimate your variance based on your scores, in the simple model.

**Usage**

```
simpleEM(x, s.init = 100, niter = 100)
```

**Arguments**

x	Scores of throws aimed at the center of the dartboard.
s.init	The initial guess for the marginal variance.
niter	The number of iterations.

**Value**

s.final	The final estimate of the variance.
s.init	The initial estimate of the variance.
s	The estimate of the variance at each iteration of the EM algorithm.
loglik	The (observed) log likelihood at each iteration of the EM algorithm.
niter	The number of iterations.

**Author(s)**

Ryan Tibshirani

**Examples**

```
# Scores of 100 of my dart throws, aimed at the center of the board
x = c(12,16,19,3,17,1,25,19,17,50,18,1,3,17,2,2,13,18,16,2,25,5,5,
1,5,4,17,25,25,50,3,7,17,17,3,3,3,7,11,10,25,1,19,15,4,1,5,12,17,16,
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5,5,1,4,15,16,5,20,16,2,25,6,12,25,11,25,7,2,5,19,17,17,2,12)

# Get my variance in the simple Gaussian model
a = simpleEM(x,niter=100)

# Check the log likelihood
plot(1:a$niter,a$loglik,type="l",xlab="Iteration",ylab="Log likelihood")

# The EM estimate of my variance
s = a$s.final
```

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simpleExpScores

*Expected Scores for the Simple Model*

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**Description**

Computes the expected score as the aiming location varies across the board, using the specified variance and the simple model for dart throws.

**Usage**

```
simpleExpScores(s)
```



**Arguments**

s                    The marginal variance.

**Value**

e                    The matrix of expected scores.

**Author(s)**

Ryan Tibshirani

**Examples**

```
# Generate the matrix of expected scores if my variance is 25^2,  
# in the simple model. This will take a couple of seconds.  
e = simpleExpScores(s=25^2)  
  
# Draw a heatmap!  
drawHeatmap(e)
```

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