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bootstrap_maxlogL *Bootstrap computation of standard error for maxlogL class objects.*

Description

bootstrap_maxlogL computes standard errors of `maxlogL` class objects by non-parametric bootstrap.

Usage

```
bootstrap_maxlogL(object, R = 2000, silent = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------|--|
| object | an object of <code>maxlogL</code> class whose standard errors are going to be computed by bootstrap. |
| R | numeric. It is the number of resamples performed with the dataset in bootstrap computation. Default value is 2000. |
| silent | logical. If TRUE, notifications of <code>bootstrap_maxlogL</code> are suppressed. |
| ... | arguments passed to <code>boot</code> used in this routine for estimation of standard errors. |

Details

The computation performed by this function may be invoked when Hessian from `optim` and `hessian` fail in `maxlogL` or in `maxlogLreg`.

However, this function can be run even if Hessian matrix calculation does not fails. In this case, standard errors in the `maxlogL` class object is replaced.

Value

A modified object of class `maxlogL`.

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References

Canty A, Ripley BD (2017). *boot: Bootstrap R (S-Plus) Functions*.

See Also

`maxlogL`, `maxlogLreg`, `boot`

Examples

```
library(EstimationTools)

#-----
# First example: Comparison between standard error computation via Hessian matrix
# and standard error computation via bootstrap

N <- rbinom(n = 100, size = 10, prob = 0.3)
phat1 <- maxlogL(x = N, dist = 'dbinom', fixed = list(size = 10),
                link = list(over = "prob", fun = "logit_link"))

## Standard error computation method and results
print(phat1$outputs$StdE_Method) # Hessian
summary(phat1)

## 'bootstrap_maxlogL' implementation
phat2 <- phat1 # Copy the first 'maxlogL' object
```

```
bootstrap_maxlogL(phat2, R = 100)

## Standard error computation method and results
print(phat2$outputs$StdE_Method) # Bootstrap
summary(phat2)
```

```
#-----
```

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| Fibers | <i>Tensile strengths</i> |
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Description

Tensile strengths (in GPa) of 69 specimens of carbon fiber tested under tension at gauge lengths of 20 mm.

Usage

Fibers

Format

A data frame with 69 observations.

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| Hazard_Shape | <i>Summary of HazardShape objects</i> |
|--------------|---------------------------------------|

Description

This function displays the estimated hazard shape given a data set.

Usage

```
Hazard_Shape(object)
```

Arguments

object an object of class HazardShape, generated with [TTT_hazard_shape](#).

Author(s)

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Examples

```
#-----
# Example 1: Increasing hazard and its corresponding TTT plot with simulated data
hweibull <- function(x, shape, scale){
  dweibull(x, shape, scale)/pweibull(x, shape, scale, lower.tail = FALSE)
}
curve(hweibull(x, shape = 2.5, scale = pi), from = 0, to = 42,
      col = "red", ylab = "Hazard function", las = 1, lwd = 2)

y <- rweibull(n = 50, shape = 2.5, scale = pi)
my_initial_guess <- TTT_hazard_shape(formula = y ~ 1)
Hazard_Shape(my_initial_guess)

#-----
```

| | |
|----------------|--|
| interp.options | <i>Configure various aspects of interpolating function in TTT_hazard_shape</i> |
|----------------|--|

Description

This function allows the user to set the parameters of any of the following interpolating functions which can be used inside [TTT_hazard_shape](#).

Usage

```
interp.options(interp.fun = "splinefun", length.out = 10, ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|---|
| interp.fun | character. This argument defines the interpolating function used. Default value is "splinefun". Visit the Details section for further information. |
| length.out | numeric. Number of points interpolated. Default value is 10. |
| ... | further arguments passed to the interpolating function. |

Details

Each interpolating function has its particular arguments. The following interpolating functions are recommended:

- [approxfun](#)
- [splinefun](#)
- [spline](#)

The user can also implement a custom interpolating function.

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See Also

[approxfun](#), [splinefun](#), [smooth](#), [smooth.spline](#), [loess](#), [TTT_hazard_shape](#)

| | |
|-------------------------|--|
| <code>is.maxlogL</code> | <i>Is return of any object of EstimationTools?</i> |
|-------------------------|--|

Description

Checks if an object is any of the classes implemented in EstimationTools package.

Usage

```
is.maxlogL(x)
```

```
is.EmpiricalTTT(x)
```

```
is.HazardShape(x)
```

Arguments

`x` Any object of EstimationTools.

Author(s)

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| | |
|----------------------------|---|
| <code>loess.options</code> | <i>Configure various aspects of LOESS in TTT_hazard_shape</i> |
|----------------------------|---|

Description

This function allows the user to set the parameters of loess function used inside TTT_hazard_shape.

Usage

```
loess.options(span = 2/3, ...)
```

Arguments

`span` the parameter which controls the degree of smoothing.

`...` further arguments passed to [loess](#) function.

Details

Please, visit [loess](#) to know further possible arguments. The following arguments are not available for passing to the LOESS estimation:

- `data` The only data handled inside `TTT_hazard_shape` is the computed empirical TTT.
- `subset` This argument is used in `loess` to take a subset of data. In this context, it is not necessary.

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See Also

[loess](#), [TTT_hazard_shape](#)

logit_link

Logit link function (for estimation with `maxlogL` object)

Description

`log_link` object provides a way to implement logit link function that `maxlogL` needs to perform estimation. See documentation for `maxlogL` for further information on parameter estimation and implementation of link objects.

Usage

```
logit_link()
```

Details

`logit_link` is part of a family of generic functions with no input arguments that defines and returns a list with details of the link function:

1. `name`: a character string with the name of the link function.
2. `g`: implementation of the link function as a generic function in R.
3. `g_inv`: implementation of the inverse link function as a generic function in R.

There is a way to add new mapping functions. The user must specify the details aforesaid.

Value

A list with logit link function, its inverse and its name.

Author(s)

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See Also[maxlogL](#)Other link functions: [NegInv_link\(\)](#), [log_link\(\)](#)**Examples**

```
# Estimation of proportion in binomial distribution with 'logit' function
# 10 trials, probability of success equals to 30%
N <- rbinom(n = 100, size = 10, prob = 0.3)
phat <- maxlogL(x = N, dist = 'dbinom', fixed = list(size=10),
               link = list(over = "prob", fun = "logit_link"))
summary(phat)

# Link function name
fun <- logit_link()$name
print(fun)

# Link function
g <- logit_link()$g
curve(g(x), from = 0, to = 1)

# Inverse link function
ginv <- logit_link()$g_inv
curve(ginv(x), from = -10, to = 10)
```

`log_link`*Logarithmic link function (for estimation with maxlogL object)*

Description

`log_link` object provides a way to implement logarithmic link function that [maxlogL](#) needs to perform estimation. See documentation for [maxlogL](#) for further information on parameter estimation and implementation of link objects.

Usage`log_link()`**Details**

`log_link` is part of a family of generic functions with no input arguments that defines and returns a list with details of the link function:

1. `name`: a character string with the name of the link function.
2. `g`: implementation of the link function as a generic function in R.
3. `g_inv`: implementation of the inverse link function as a generic function in R.

There is a way to add new mapping functions. The user must specify the details aforesaid.

Value

A list with logit link function, its inverse and its name.

See Also

[maxlogL](#)

Other link functions: [NegInv_link\(\)](#), [logit_link\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# One parameters of normal distribution mapped with logarithmic function
x <- rnorm(n = 10000, mean = 50, sd = 4)
theta_2 <- maxlogL( x = x, link = list(over = "sd",
                                     fun = "log_link") )

summary(theta_2)

# Link function name
fun <- log_link()$name
print(fun)

# Link function
g <- log_link()$g
curve(g(x), from = 0, to = 1)

# Inverse link function
ginv <- log_link()$g_inv
curve(ginv(x), from = -5, to = 5)
```

maxlogL

Maximum Likelihood Estimation for parametric distributions

Description

Function to compute maximum likelihood estimators (MLE) of any distribution implemented in R.

Usage

```
maxlogL(
  x,
  dist = "dnorm",
  fixed = NULL,
  link = NULL,
  start = NULL,
  lower = NULL,
  upper = NULL,
  optimizer = "nlminb",
  control = NULL,
```

```

    silent = FALSE,
    ...
)

```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|--|
| x | a vector with data to be fitted. This argument must be a matrix with hierarchical distributions. |
| dist | a length-one character vector with the name of density/mass function of interest. The default value is 'dnorm', to compute maximum likelihood estimators of normal distribution. |
| fixed | a list with fixed/known parameters of distribution of interest. Fixed parameters must be passed with its name. |
| link | a list with names of parameters to be linked, and names of the link function object. For names of parameters, please visit documentation of density/mass function. There are three link functions available: log_link , logit_link and NegInv_link . |
| start | a numeric vector with initial values for the parameters to be estimated. |
| lower | a numeric vector with lower bounds, with the same length of argument start (for box-constrained optimization). |
| upper | a numeric vector with upper bounds, with the same length of argument start (for box-constrained optimization). |
| optimizer | a length-one character vector with the name of optimization routine. nlminb , optim and DEoptim are available; nlminb is the default routine. |
| control | control parameters of the optimization routine. Please, visit documentation of selected optimizer for further information. |
| silent | logical. If TRUE, warnings of maxlogL are suppressed. |
| ... | further arguments to be supplied to the optimizer. |

Details

maxlogL computes the likelihood function corresponding to the distribution specified in argument `dist` and maximizes it through [optim](#), [nlminb](#) or [DEoptim](#). maxlogL generates an S3 object of class maxlogL.

Noncentrality parameters must be named as `ncp` in the distribution.

Value

A list with class "maxlogL" containing the following lists:

| | |
|---------|--|
| fit | A list with output information about estimation. |
| inputs | A list with all input arguments. |
| outputs | A list with some output additional information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of parameters. • Sample size • Standard error computation method. |

Note

The following generic functions can be used with a maxlogL object: `summary`, `print`, `AIC`, `BIC`, `logLik`.

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References

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See Also

[summary.maxlogL](#), [optim](#), [nlminb](#), [DEoptim](#), [DEoptim.control](#), [maxlogLreg](#), [bootstrap_maxlogL](#)

Other maxlogL: [maxlogLreg\(\)](#)

Examples

```
library(EstimationTools)

#-----
# Example 1: estimation with one fixed parameter
x <- rnorm(n = 10000, mean = 160, sd = 6)
theta_1 <- maxlogL(x = x, dist = 'dnorm', control = list(trace = 1),
                  link = list(over = "sd", fun = "log_link"),
                  fixed = list(mean = 160))
summary(theta_1)

#-----
# Example 2: both parameters of normal distribution mapped with logarithmic
# function
theta_2 <- maxlogL(x = x, dist = "dnorm",
                  link = list(over = c("mean", "sd"),
                              fun = c("log_link", "log_link")))
summary(theta_2)

#-----
```

```
# Example 3: parameter estimation in ZIP distribution
if (!require('gamlss.dist')) install.packages('gamlss.dist')
library(gamlss.dist)
z <- rZIP(n=1000, mu=6, sigma=0.08)
theta_3 <- maxlogL(x = z, dist='dZIP', start = c(0, 0), lower = c(-Inf, -Inf),
                  upper = c(Inf, Inf), optimizer = 'optim',
                  link = list(over=c("mu", "sigma"),
                              fun = c("log_link", "logit_link")))
summary(theta_3)
```

```
#-----
# Example 4: parameter estimation with fixed noncentrality parameter.
y_2 <- rbeta(n = 1000, shape1 = 2, shape2 = 3)
theta_41 <- maxlogL(x = y_2, dist = "dbeta",
                   link = list(over = c("shape1", "shape2"),
                               fun = c("log_link", "log_link")))
summary(theta_41)

# It is also possible define 'ncp' as fixed parameter
theta_42 <- maxlogL(x = y_2, dist = "dbeta", fixed = list(ncp = 0),
                   link = list(over = c("shape1", "shape2"),
                               fun = c("log_link", "log_link")))
summary(theta_42)
```

```
#-----
```

maxlogLreg

Maximum Likelihood Estimation for parametric linear regression models

Description

Function to compute maximum likelihood estimators (MLE) of regression parameters of any distribution implemented in R with covariates (linear predictors).

Usage

```
maxlogLreg(
  formulas,
  y_dist,
  data = NULL,
  subset = NULL,
  fixed = NULL,
  link = NULL,
  start = NULL,
  lower = NULL,
```

```

    upper = NULL,
    optimizer = "nlminb",
    control = NULL,
    silent = FALSE,
    ...
)

```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|--|
| formulas | a list of formula objects. Each element must have an \sim , with the terms on the right separated by + operators. The response variable on the left side is optional. Linear predictor of each parameter must be specified with the name of the parameter followed by the suffix ' . fo '. See the examples below for further illustration. |
| y_dist | a formula object that specifies the distribution of the response variable. On the left side of \sim must be the response, and in the right side must be the name of the probability density/mass function. See the section Details and the examples below for further illustration. |
| data | an optional data frame containing the variables in the model. If data is not specified, the variables are taken from the environment from which maxlogLreg is called. |
| subset | an optional vector specifying a subset of observations to be used in the fitting process. |
| fixed | a list with fixed/known parameters of distribution of interest. Fixed parameters must be passed with its name and its value (known). |
| link | a list with names of parameters to be linked, and names of the link function object. For names of parameters, please visit documentation of density/mass function. There are three link functions available: log_link , logit_link and NegInv_link . Take into account: the order used in argument over corresponds to the order in argument link. |
| start | a numeric vector with initial values for the parameters to be estimated. Zero is the default value. |
| lower | a numeric vector with lower bounds, with the same length of argument start (for box-constrained optimization). -Inf is the default value. |
| upper | a numeric vector with upper bounds, with the same length of argument start (for box-constrained optimization). Inf is the default value. |
| optimizer | a length-one character vector with the name of optimization routine. nlminb , optim and DEoptim are available; nlminb is the default routine. |
| control | control parameters of the optimization routine. Please, visit documentation of selected optimizer for further information. |
| silent | logical. If TRUE, warnings of maxlogL are suppressed. |
| ... | Further arguments to be supplied to the optimization routine. |

Details

maxlogLreg calculates computationally the log-likelihood (log L) function corresponding to the distribution specified in argument `y_dist` with linear predictors specified in argument `formulas`. Then, it maximizes the log L through `optim`, `nlminb` or `DEoptim`. maxlogLreg generates an S3 object of class `maxlogL`.

Noncentrality parameters must be named as `ncp` in the distribution.

Value

A list with class `maxlogL` containing the following lists:

| | |
|----------------------|--|
| <code>fit</code> | A list with output information about estimation and method used. |
| <code>inputs</code> | A list with all input arguments. |
| <code>outputs</code> | A list with additional information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of parameters. • Sample size • Standard error computation method. • Number of regression parameters. |

Note

The following generic functions can be used with a `maxlogL` object: `summary`, `print`, `logLik`, `AIC`.

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See Also

[summary.maxlogL](#), [optim](#), [nlminb](#), [DEoptim](#), [DEoptim.control](#), [maxlogL](#), [bootstrap_maxlogL](#)
Other maxlogL: [maxlogL\(\)](#)

Examples

```

library(EstimationTools)

#-----
# Example 1: Estimation in simulated normal distribution
n <- 1000
x <- runif(n = n, -5, 6)
y <- rnorm(n = n, mean = -2 + 3 * x, sd = exp(1 + 0.3* x))
norm_data <- data.frame(y = y, x = x)

# It does not matter the order of distribution parameters
formulas <- list(sd.fo = ~ x, mean.fo = ~ x)

norm_mod <- maxlogLreg(formulas, y_dist = y ~ dnorm, data = norm_data,
                      link = list(over = "sd", fun = "log_link"))
summary(norm_mod)

#-----
# Example 2: Fitting with censorship
# (data from https://www.itl.nist.gov/div898/handbook/apr/section4/apr413.htm)

failures <- c(55, 187, 216, 240, 244, 335, 361, 373, 375, 386)
fails <- c(failures, rep(500, 10))
status <- c(rep(1, length(failures)), rep(0, 10))
Wei_data <- data.frame(fails = fails, status = status)

# Formulas with linear predictors
formulas <- list(scale.fo=~1, shape.fo=~1)

# Bounds for optimization. Upper bound set with default values (Inf)
start <- list(
  scale = list(Intercept = 100),
  shape = list(Intercept = 10)
)
lower <- list(
  scale = list(Intercept = 0),
  shape = list(Intercept = 0)
)

mod_weibull <- maxlogLreg(formulas, y_dist = Surv(fails, status) ~ dweibull,
                        start = start,
                        lower = lower, data = Wei_data)
summary(mod_weibull)

#-----

```

Description

NegInv_link object provides a way to implement negative inverse link function that `maxlogL` needs to perform estimation. See documentation for `maxlogL` for further information on parameter estimation and implementation of link objects.

Usage

```
NegInv_link()
```

Details

NegInv_link is part of a family of generic functions with no input arguments that defines and returns a list with details of the link function:

1. name: a character string with the name of the link function.
2. g: implementation of the link function as a generic function in R.
3. g_inv: implementation of the inverse link function as a generic function in R.

There is a way to add new mapping functions. The user must specify the details aforesaid.

Value

A list with negative inverse link function, its inverse and its name.

See Also

[maxlogL](#)

Other link functions: [log_link\(\)](#), [logit_link\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# Estimation of rate parameter in exponential distribution
T <- rexp(n = 1000, rate = 3)
lambda <- maxlogL(x = T, dist = "dexp", start = 5,
  link = list(over = "rate", fun = "NegInv_link"))
summary(lambda)

# Link function name
fun <- NegInv_link()$name
print(fun)

# Link function
g <- NegInv_link()$g
curve(g(x), from = 0.1, to = 1)

# Inverse link function
ginv <- NegInv_link()$g_inv
curve(ginv(x), from = 0.1, to = 1)
```

plot.EmpiricalTTT *Plot method for EmpiricalTTT objects*

Description

Draws a TTT plot of an EmpiricalTTT object, one for each strata.

TTT plots are graphed in the same order in which they appear in the list element strata or in the list element phi_n of the EmpiricalTTT object.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'EmpiricalTTT'
plot(
  x,
  add = FALSE,
  grid = FALSE,
  type = "l",
  pch = 1,
  xlab = "i/n",
  ylab = expression(phi[n](i/n)),
  ...
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|--|
| x | an object of class EmpiricalTTT. |
| add | logical. If TRUE, plot.EmpiricalTTT add a TTT plot to an already existing plot. |
| grid | logical. If TRUE, plot appears with grid. |
| type | character string (length 1 vector) or vector of 1-character strings indicating the type of plot for each TTT graph. See plot . |
| pch | numeric (integer). A vector of plotting characters or symbols when type = "p". See points . |
| xlab, ylab | titles for x and y axes, as in plot . |
| ... | further arguments passed to matplot . See the examples and Details section for further information. |

Details

This method is based on [matplot](#). Our function sets some default values for graphic parameters: type = "l", pch = 1, xlab = "i/n" and ylab = expression(phi[n](i/n)). This arguments can be modified by the user.

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See Also

[TTTE_Analytical](#), [matplot](#)

Examples

```

library(EstimationTools)

#-----
# First example: Scaled empirical TTT from 'mgus1' data from 'survival' package.

TTT_1 <- TTTE_Analytical(Surv(stop, event == 'pcm') ~1, method = 'cens',
                        data = mgus1, subset=(start == 0))
plot(TTT_1, type = "p")

#-----
# Second example: Scaled empirical TTT using a factor variable with 'aml' data
# from 'survival' package.

TTT_2 <- TTTE_Analytical(Surv(time, status) ~ x, method = "cens", data = aml)
plot(TTT_2, type = "l", lty = c(1,1), col = c(2,4))
plot(TTT_2, add = TRUE, type = "p", lty = c(1,1), col = c(2,4), pch = 16)

#-----
# Third example: Non-scaled empirical TTT without a factor (arbitrarily simulated
# data).

y <- rweibull(n=20, shape=1, scale=pi)
TTT_3 <- TTTE_Analytical(y ~ 1, scaled = FALSE)
plot(TTT_3, type = "s", col = 3, lwd = 3)

#-----
# Fourth example: TTT plot for 'carbone' data from 'AdequacyModel' package

if (!require('AdequacyModel')) install.packages('AdequacyModel')
library(AdequacyModel)
data(carbone)
TTT_4 <- TTTE_Analytical(response = carbone, scaled = TRUE)
plot(TTT_4, type = "l", col = "red", lwd = 2, grid = TRUE)

#-----

```

Description

Draws the empirical total time on test (TTT) plot and its non-parametric (LOESS) estimated curve useful for identifying hazard shape.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'HazardShape'
plot(
  x,
  xlab = "i/n",
  ylab = expression(phi(i/n)),
  xlim = c(0, 1),
  ylim = c(0, 1),
  col = 1,
  lty = NULL,
  lwd = NA,
  main = "",
  curve_options = list(col = 2, lwd = 2, lty = 1),
  par_plot = list(mar = c(5.1, 4.1, 4.1, 2.1)),
  legend_options = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------------|--|
| x | an object of class <code>initVal0W</code> , generated with <code>TTT_hazard_shape</code> . |
| xlab, ylab | titles for x and y axes, as in <code>plot</code> . |
| xlim | the x limits (x1, x2) of the plot. |
| ylim | the y limits (x1, x2) of the plot. |
| col | The colors for lines and points. Multiple colors can be specified. This is the usual color argument of <code>plot.default</code> . |
| lty | a vector of line types, see <code>par</code> for further information. |
| lwd | a vector of line widths, see <code>par</code> for further information. |
| main | a main title for the plot. |
| curve_options | a list with further arguments useful for customization of non-parametric estimate plot. |
| par_plot | some graphical parameters which can be passed to the plot. See Details section for further information. |
| legend_options | a list with fur further arguments useful for customization. See Details section for further information. of the legend of the plot. |
| ... | further arguments passed to empirical TTT plot. |

Details

This plot complements the use of `TTT_hazard_shape`. It is always advisable to use this function in order to check the result of non-parametric estimate of TTT plot. See the first example in **Examples** section for an illustration.

`par_plot` admits some parameters of `par` function. The following *has preestablished values*:

- `mai`:the margins can be manipulated with `mar`. The right margin has a value equals to 7.2 using `mar` and all new values take it as reference value.
- `xpd`:Is set as TRUE, and cannot be modified.

On the other hand, `legend_options` allows many of the parameters of `legend` function. The following *has preestablished values*:

- `x, y`:legend is always located on the right side, outside the plot. `x` and `y` coordinates cannot be manipulated, instead of this, it exists the argument `pos`, which can take character or numeric values. In the first case, it can be "top", "center" and "bottom", in the later, it can be any value of the y-coordinate, between 0 and 1.
- `legend`:text of the legend cannot be edited.
- `pch`:cannot be manipulated, it depends on `pch` parameter of the plot.
- `col`:cannot be manipulated, it depends on `col` parameters of the plot and the `curve_options`.
#'
- `lty`:cannot be manipulated, it depends on `lty` parameters of the plot and the `curve_options`.
#'
- `lwd`:cannot be manipulated, it depends on `lwd` parameters of the plot and the `curve_options`.
#'
- `pt.cex`:cannot be manipulated, it depends on `cex` parameter of the plot.
- `xpd`:It is set as TRUE, and cannot be modified.

If `legend_optinos = "NoLegend"`, no legend is generated.

The possible arguments for . . . can be consulted in `plot.default` and `par`.

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Examples

```
#-----
# Example 1: Increasing hazard and its corresponding TTT plot with simulated data
hweibull <- function(x, shape, scale){
  dweibull(x, shape, scale)/pweibull(x, shape, scale, lower.tail = FALSE)
}
curve(hweibull(x, shape = 2.5, scale = pi), from = 0, to = 42,
      col = "red", ylab = "Hazard function", las = 1, lwd = 2)

y <- rweibull(n = 50, shape = 2.5, scale = pi)
my_initial_guess <- TTT_hazard_shape(formula = y ~ 1)
plot(my_initial_guess, par_plot=list(mar=c(3.7,3.7,1,1.5),
```

```
mgp=c(2.5,1,0))
```

```
#-----
```

```
predict.maxlogL      Predict Method for maxlogL Fits
```

Description

This function computes predictions and optionally the estimated standard errors of those predictions from a model fitted with `maxlogLreg`.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'maxlogL'
predict(
  object,
  parameter = NULL,
  newdata = NULL,
  type = c("link", "response", "terms"),
  se.fit = FALSE,
  terms = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| <code>object</code> | an object of <code>maxlogL</code> class. |
| <code>parameter</code> | a character which specifies the parameter to predict. |
| <code>newdata</code> | a data frame with covariates with which to predict. It is an optional argument, if omitted, the fitted linear predictors or the (distribution) parameter predictions are used. |
| <code>type</code> | a character with the type of prediction required. The default (<code>type = "link"</code>) is on the scale of the linear predictors; the alternative <code>type = "response"</code> is on the scale of the distribution parameter. |
| <code>se.fit</code> | logical switch indicating if standard errors of predictions are required. |
| <code>terms</code> | A character vector that specifies which terms are required if <code>type = "terms"</code> . All terms are returned by default. |
| <code>...</code> | further arguments passed to or from other methods. |

Details

This summary method computes and displays AIC, BIC, estimates and standard errors from a estimated model stored in a `maxlogL` class object. It also displays and computes Z-score and p values of significance test of parameters.

Value

If `se.fit = FALSE`, a vector of predictions is returned. For `type = "terms"`, a matrix with a column per term and an attribute "constant" is returned.

If `se.fit = TRUE`, a list with the following components is obtained:

1. `fit`: Predictions.
2. `se.fit`: Estimated standard errors.

Note

Variables are first looked for in `newdata` and then searched for in the usual way (which will include the environment of the formula used in the fit). A warning will be given if the variables found are not of the same length as those in `newdata` if it is supplied.

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Examples

```
library(EstimationTools)

#-----
# Example 1: Predictions from simulated normal distribution
n <- 1000
x <- runif(n = n, -5, 6)
y <- rnorm(n = n, mean = -2 + 3 * x, sd = exp(1 + 0.3* x))
norm_data <- data.frame(y = y, x = x)

# It does not matter the order of distribution parameters
formulas <- list(sd.fo = ~ x, mean.fo = ~ x)

norm_mod <- maxlogLreg(formulas, y_dist = y ~ dnorm, data = norm_data,
                      link = list(over = "sd", fun = "log_link"))
predict(norm_mod)

#-----
# Example 2: Predictions using new values for covariates
predict(norm_mod, newdata = data.frame(x=0:6))

#-----
# Example 3: Predictions for another parameter
predict(norm_mod, newdata = data.frame(x=0:6), param = "sd",
       type = "response")

#-----
# Example 4: Model terms
predict(norm_mod, param = "sd", type = "terms")
```

```
#-----
```

```
summary.maxlogL      Summarize Maximum Likelihood Estimation
```

Description

Displays maximum likelihood estimates computed with `maxlogL` with its standard errors, AIC and BIC. This is a summary method for `maxlogL` object.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'maxlogL'
summary(object, ...)
```

Arguments

```
object      an object of maxlogL class which summary is desired.
...         additional arguments affecting the summary produced.
```

Details

This summary method computes and displays AIC, BIC, estimates and standard errors from a estimated model stored in a `maxlogL` class object. It also displays and computes Z-score and p values of significance test of parameters.

Value

A list with information that summarize results of a `maxlogL` class object.

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See Also

`maxlogL`, `maxlogLreg`, `bootstrap_maxlogL`

Examples

```
library(EstimationTools)

#-----
### First example: One known parameter

x <- rnorm(n = 10000, mean = 160, sd = 6)
theta_1 <- maxlogL(x = x, dist = 'dnorm', control = list(trace = 1),
                  link = list(over = "sd", fun = "log_link"),
```

```

        fixed = list(mean = 160))
summary(theta_1)

#-----
# Second example: Binomial probability parameter estimation with variable
# creation

N <- rbinom(n = 100, size = 10, prob = 0.3)
phat <- maxlogL(x = N, dist = 'dbinom', fixed = list(size = 10),
               link = list(over = "prob", fun = "logit_link"))

## Standard error calculation method
print(phat$outputs$StdE_Method)

## 'summary' method
summary(phat)

#-----
# Third example: Binomial probability parameter estimation with no variable
# creation

N <- rbinom(n = 100, size = 10, prob = 0.3)
summary(maxlogL(x = N, dist = 'dbinom', fixed = list(size = 10),
               link = list(over = "prob", fun = "logit_link")))

#-----
# Fourth example: Estimation in a regression model with simulated normal data
n <- 1000
x <- runif(n = n, -5, 6)
y <- rnorm(n = n, mean = -2 + 3 * x, sd = exp(1 + 0.3 * x))
norm_data <- data.frame(y = y, x = x)
formulas <- list(sd.fo = ~ x, mean.fo = ~ x)

norm_mod <- maxlogLreg(formulas, y_dist = y ~ dnorm, data = norm_data,
                     link = list(over = "sd", fun = "log_link"))

## 'summary' method
summary(norm_mod)

#-----

```

Description

This function allows to compute the TTT curve from a formula containing a factor type variable (classification variable).

Usage

```

TTTE_Analytical(
  formula,
  response = NULL,
  scaled = TRUE,
  data,
  method = c("Barlow", "censored"),
  partition_method = NULL,
  silent = FALSE,
  ...
)

```

Arguments

| | |
|------------------|---|
| formula | an object of class <code>formula</code> with the response on the left of an operator <code>~</code> . The right side can be a factor variable as term or an 1 if a classification by factor levels is not desired. |
| response | an optional numeric vector with data of the response variable. Using this argument is equivalent to define a formula with the right side such as <code>~ 1</code> . See the fourth example below. |
| scaled | logical. If TRUE (default value), scaled TTT is computed. |
| data | an optional data frame containing the variables (response and the factor, if it is desired). If data is not specified, the variables are taken from the environment from which <code>TTT_analytical</code> is called. |
| method | a character specifying the method of computation. There are two options available: 'Barlow' and 'censored'. Further information can be found in the Details section. |
| partition_method | a list specifying cluster formation when the covariate in formula is numeric, or when the data has several covariates. 'quantile-based' method is the only one currently available (See the last example). |
| silent | logical. If TRUE, warnings of <code>TTTE_Analytical</code> are suppressed. |
| ... | further arguments passing to <code>survfit</code> . |

Details

When method argument is set as 'Barlow', this function uses the original expression of empirical TTT presented by Barlow (1979) and used by Aarset (1987):

$$\phi_n\left(\frac{r}{n}\right) = \frac{(\sum_{i=1}^r T_{(i)}) + (n-r)T_{(r)}}{\sum_{i=1}^n T_i}$$

where $T_{(r)}$ is the r^{th} order statistic, with $r = 1, 2, \dots, n$, and n is the sample size. On the other hand, the option 'censored' is an implementation based on integrals presented in Westberg and Klefsj  (1994), and using `survfit` to compute the Kaplan-Meier estimator:

$$\phi_n\left(\frac{r}{n}\right) = \sum_{j=1}^r \left[\prod_{i=1}^j \left(1 - \frac{d_i}{n_i}\right) \right] (T_{(j)} - T_{(j-1)})$$

Value

A list with class object `Empirical.TTT` containing a list with the following information:

| | |
|---------------------|---|
| <code>i/n</code> | A matrix containing the empirical quantiles. This matrix has the number of columns equals to the number of levels of the factor considered (number of strata). |
| <code>phi_n</code> | A matrix containing the values of empirical TTT. his matrix has the number of columns equals to the number of levels of the factor considered (number of strata). |
| <code>strata</code> | A numeric named vector storing the number of observations per strata, and the name of each strata (names of the levels of the factor). |

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See Also

[plot.EmpiricalTTT](#)

Examples

```
library(EstimationTools)

#-----
# Example 1: Scaled empirical TTT from 'mgus1' data from 'survival' package.

TTT_1 <- TTTE_Analytical(Surv(stop, event == 'pcm') ~1, method = 'cens',
                        data = mgus1, subset=(start == 0))

head(TTT_1$i/n)
head(TTT_1$phi_n)
print(TTT_1$strata)
```

```

#-----
# Example 2: Scaled empirical TTT using a factor variable with 'aml' data
# from 'survival' package.

TTT_2 <- TTTE_Analytical(Surv(time, status) ~ x, method = "cens", data = aml)
head(TTT_2$i/n`)
head(TTT_2$phi_n)
print(TTT_2$strata)

#-----
# Example 3: Non-scaled empirical TTT without a factor (arbitrarily simulated
# data).

set.seed(911211)
y <- rweibull(n=20, shape=1, scale=pi)
TTT_3 <- TTTE_Analytical(y ~ 1, scaled = FALSE)
head(TTT_3$i/n`)
head(TTT_3$phi_n)
print(TTT_3$strata)

#-----
# Example 4: non-scaled empirical TTT without a factor (arbitrarily simulated
# data) using the 'response' argument (this is equivalent to Third example).

set.seed(911211)
y <- rweibull(n=20, shape=1, scale=pi)
TTT_4 <- TTTE_Analytical(response = y, scaled = FALSE)
head(TTT_4$i/n`)
head(TTT_4$phi_n)
print(TTT_4$strata)

#-----
# Example 5: empirical TTT with a continuously variant term for the shape
# parameter in Weibull distribution.

x <- runif(50, 0, 10)
shape <- 0.1 + 0.1*x
y <- rweibull(n = 50, shape = shape, scale = pi)

partitions <- list(method='quantile-based',
                  folds=5)
TTT_5 <- TTTE_Analytical(y ~ x, partition_method = partitions)
head(TTT_5$i/n`)
head(TTT_5$phi_n)
print(TTT_5$strata)
plot(TTT_5) # Observe changes in Empirical TTT

#-----

```

TTT_hazard_shape *Hazard Shape estimation from TTT plot*

Description

This function can be used so as to estimate hazard shape corresponding to a given data set.

Usage

```
TTT_hazard_shape(
  formula,
  data = NULL,
  local_reg = loess.options(),
  interpolation = interp.options(),
  silent = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------------|---|
| formula | an object of class formula with the response on the left of an operator ~. The right side must be 1. |
| data | an optional data frame containing the response variables. If data is not specified, the variables are taken from the environment from which TTT_hazard_shape is called. |
| local_reg | a list of control parameters for LOESS. See loess.options . |
| interpolation | a list of control parameters for interpolation function. See interp.options . |
| silent | logical. If TRUE, warnings of TTT_hazard_shape are suppressed. |
| ... | further arguments passed to TTTE_Analytical . |

Details

This function performs a non-parametric estimation of the empirical total time on test (TTT) plot. Then, this estimated curve can be used so as to get suggestions about initial values and the search region for parameters based on hazard shape associated to the shape of empirical TTT plot.

Use [Hazard_Shape](#) function to get the results for shape estimation.

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See Also

[Hazard_Shape](#), [plot.HazardShape](#)

Examples

```
#-----  
# Example 1: Increasing hazard and its corresponding TTT plot with simulated data  
hweibull <- function(x, shape, scale){  
  dweibull(x, shape, scale)/pweibull(x, shape, scale, lower.tail = FALSE)  
}  
curve(hweibull(x, shape = 2.5, scale = pi), from = 0, to = 42,  
      col = "red", ylab = "Hazard function", las = 1, lwd = 2)  
  
y <- rweibull(n = 50, shape = 2.5, scale = pi)  
my_initial_guess <- TTT_hazard_shape(formula = y ~ 1)  
my_initial_guess$hazard_type  
  
#-----
```

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