

Package ‘ghcm’

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Type Package

Title Functional Conditional Independence Testing with the GHCM

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Description A statistical hypothesis test for conditional independence.

Given residuals from a sufficiently powerful regression, it tests whether the covariance of the residuals is vanishing. It can be applied to both discretely-observed functional data and multivariate data.

Details of the method can be found in Anton Rask Lundborg, Rajen D. Shah and Jonas Peters (2021) <[arXiv:2101.07108](#)>.

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| ghcm_sim_data | <i>GHCM simulated data</i> |
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Description

A simulated dataset containing a combination of functional and scalar variables. The functional variables each consists of 101 observations on an equidistant grid on $[0, 1]$.

Usage

```
ghcm_sim_data
```

Format

A data frame with 500 rows of 5 variables:

X 500 x 101 matrix.

Z 500 x 101 matrix.

W 500 x 101 matrix.

Y_1 Numeric vector.

Y_2 Numeric vector.

Details

Y_1 and Y_2 are scalar random variables and are both functions of Z . X , Z and W are functional, Z is a function of X and W is a function of Z .

Source

The generation script can be found in the data-raw folder of the package.

ghcm_test

Conditional Independence Test using the GHCM

Description

Testing X independent of Y given Z using the Generalised Hilbertian Covariance Measure. The function is applied to residuals from regressing X on Z and regressing Y on Z and its validity is contingent on the performance of the regression methods.

Usage

```
ghcm_test(resid_X_on_Z, resid_Y_on_Z, alpha = 0.05)
```

Arguments

`resid_X_on_Z`, `resid_Y_on_Z`
 Numeric vectors or matrices. Residuals when regressing X (Y) on Z with a suitable regression method.

`alpha`
 Numeric in the unit interval. Significance level of the test.

Value

An object of class `ghcm` containing:

`test_statistic` Numeric, test statistic of the test.
`p` Numeric in the unit interval, estimated p-value of the test.
`cov` matrix, estimated covariance of the truncated limiting Gaussian.
`alpha` Numeric in the unit interval, significance level of the test.

References

Please cite the following paper: Anton Rask Lundborg, Rajen D. Shah and Jonas Peters: "Conditional Independence Testing in Hilbert Spaces with Applications to Functional Data Analysis" <https://arxiv.org/abs/2101.07108>

Examples

```
library(refund)
set.seed(1)
data(ghcm_sim_data)
grid <- seq(0, 1, length.out = 101)

# Test independence of two scalars given a functional variable

m_1 <- pfr(Y_1 ~ lf(Z), data=ghcm_sim_data)
m_2 <- pfr(Y_2 ~ lf(Z), data=ghcm_sim_data)
ghcm_test(resid(m_1), resid(m_2))
```

```
# Test independence of a functional variable and a scalar variable given a
# functional variable

m_X <- pffr(X ~ ff(Z), data=ghcm_sim_data, chunk.size=31000)
ghcm_test(resid(m_X), resid(m_1))

# Test independence of two functional variables given a functional variable

m_W <- pffr(W ~ ff(Z), data=ghcm_sim_data, chunk.size=31000)
ghcm_test(resid(m_X), resid(m_W))
```

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