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saeHB.ME-package

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Description

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[meHBNormal](#) Produces HB estimators, standard error, random effect variance, coefficient and plot under normal distribution.

[meHBt](#) Produces HB estimators, standard error, random effect variance, coefficient and plot under student-t distribution.

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dataHBME

Sample Data for Small Area Estimation with Measurement Error using Hierarchical Bayesian Method under Normal Distribution

Description

This data generated by simulation based on Hierarchical Bayesian Method under Normal Distribution with Measurement Error by following these steps:

1. Generate $x_1 \sim \text{UNIF}(0, 1)$, $x_2 \sim \text{UNIF}(1,5)$, $x_3 \sim \text{UNIF}(10,15)$, and $x_4 \sim \text{UNIF}(10,20)$
2. Generate $v.x_1 \sim \text{Gamma}(1,1)$ and $v.x_2 \sim \text{Gamma}(2,1)$
3. Generate $x_{1h} \sim \text{N}(x_1, \text{sqrt}(v.x_1))$ and $x_{2h} \sim \text{N}(x_2, \text{sqrt}(v.x_2))$
4. Generate $\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3$, and β_4
5. Generate $u \sim \text{N}(0,1)$ and $v \sim 1/(\text{Gamma}(1,1))$
6. Calculate $\mu = \beta_0 + \beta_1 * x_{1h} + \beta_2 * x_{2h} + \beta_3 * x_3 + \beta_4 * x_4 + u$
7. Generate $Y \sim \text{N}(\mu, \text{sqrt}(v))$

Direct estimation Y, auxiliary variables x1 x2 x3 x4, sampling variance v, and mean squared error of auxiliary variables v.x1 v.x2 are arranged in a dataframe called dataHBME.

Usage

```
data(dataHBME)
```

Format

A data frame with 30 observations on the following 8 variables.

Y direct estimation of Y.

x1 auxiliary variable of x1.

x2 auxiliary variable of x2.

x3 auxiliary variable of x3.

x4 auxiliary variable of x4.

vardir sampling variances of Y.

v.x1 mean squared error of x1.

v.x2 mean squared error of x2.

 dataTMEHB

Sample Data for Small Area Estimation with Measurement Error using Hierarchical Bayesian Method under Student-t Distribution

Description

This data generated by simulation based on Hierarchical Bayesian Method under Student-t Distribution with Measurement Error by following these steps:

1. Generate $x_1 \sim \text{UNIF}(10, 20)$ and $x_2 \sim \text{UNIF}(30, 50)$
2. Generate $v.x_1 \sim 1/(\text{Gamma}(1,1))$
3. Generate $x_{1h} \sim \text{N}(x_1)$
4. Generate $\beta_0 = \beta_1 = \beta_2 = 0.5$
5. Generate $u \sim \text{N}(0,1)$ and $k \sim \text{Gamma}(10,1)$
6. Calculate $\mu = \beta_0 + \beta_1 * x_{1h} + \beta_2 * x_{2h} + u$
7. Generate $Y \sim t(k, \mu)$ and $v = \sigma_y^2$

Direct estimation Y, auxiliary variables x1 x2 x3 x4, sampling variance v, and mean squared error of auxiliary variables v.x1 v.x2 are arranged in a dataframe called dataTMEHB.

Usage

```
data(dataTMEHB)
```

Format

A data frame with 30 observations on the following 8 variables.

Y direct estimation of Y.

x1 auxiliary variable of x1.

x2 auxiliary variable of x2.

vardir sampling variances of Y.

v.x1 mean squared error of x1.

meHBNormal

Small Area Estimation with Measurement Error using Hierarchical Bayesian Method under Normal Distribution

Description

This function is implemented to variable of interest (y) that assumed to be a Normal Distribution when auxiliary variable is measured with error.

Usage

```
meHBNormal(
  formula,
  vardir,
  var.x,
  coef,
  var.coef,
  iter.update = 3,
  iter.mcmc = 10000,
  thin = 2,
  tau.u = 1,
  burn.in = 2000,
  data
)
```

Arguments

formula	an object of class <code>formula</code> (or one that can be coerced to that class): a symbolic description of the model to be fitted. The variables included <code>formula</code> must have a length equal to the number of domains m . This formula can provide auxiliary variable either measured with error or combination between measured with error and without error. If the auxiliary variable are combination between error and without error, input the error variable first followed by without error variable.
vardir	vector containing the m sampling variances of direct estimators for each domain. The values must be sorted as the Y .
var.x	vector containing mean squared error of X . The values must be sorted as the X .
coef	a vector contains prior initial value of Coefficient of Regression Model for fixed effect with default vector of 0 with the length of the number of regression coefficients.
var.coef	a vector contains prior initial value of variance of Coefficient of Regression Model with default vector of 1 with the length of the number of regression coefficients.
iter.update	number of updates with default 3 .
iter.mcmc	number of total iterations per chain with default 10000 .

thin	thinning rate, must be a positive integer with default 2.
tau.u	prior initial value of inverse of Variance of area random effect with default 1.
burn.in	number of iterations to discard at the beginning with default 2000.
data	the data frame.

Value

This function returns a list with the following objects:

Est	A vector with the values of Small Area mean Estimates using Hierarchical bayesian method
refVar	Estimated random effect variances
coefficient	A data frame with the estimated model coefficient
plot	Trace, Dencity, Autocorrelation Function Plot of MCMC samples

Examples

```
## Load dataset
data(dataHBME)

## Auxiliary variables only contains variable with error
example <- meHBNormal(Y~x1+x2, vardir = "vardir",
  var.x = c("v.x1","v.x2"), iter.update = 3, iter.mcmc = 10000,
  thin = 5, burn.in = 1000, data = dataHBME)

## Auxiliary variables contains variable with error and without error
example_mix <- meHBNormal(Y~x1+x2+x3, vardir = "vardir",
  var.x = c("v.x1","v.x2"), iter.update = 3, iter.mcmc = 10000,
  thin = 5, burn.in = 1000, data = dataHBME)

## Create dataset with nonsampled area
dataHBMEEns <- dataHBME
dataHBMEEns[c(1,10,20,30),"Y"] <- NA

## For data with nonsampled area use dataHBMEEns
```

meHBt

Small Area Estimation with Measurement Error using Hierarchical Bayesian Method under Student-t Distribution

Description

This function is implemented to variable of interest (y) that assumed to be a Normal Distribution when auxiliary variable is measured with error.

Usage

```
meHBt(
  formula,
  vardir,
  var.x,
  coef,
  var.coef,
  iter.update = 3,
  iter.mcmc = 10000,
  thin = 2,
  tau.u = 1,
  burn.in = 2000,
  data
)
```

Arguments

formula	an object of class <code>formula</code> (or one that can be coerced to that class): a symbolic description of the model to be fitted. The variables included in <code>formula</code> must have a length equal to the number of domains <code>m</code> . This formula can provide auxiliary variable either measured with error or combination between measured with error and without error. If the auxiliary variable are combination between error and without error, input the error variable first followed by without error variable.
vardir	vector containing the <code>m</code> sampling variances of direct estimators for each domain. The values must be sorted as the <code>Y</code> .
var.x	vector containing mean squared error of <code>X</code> . The values must be sorted as the <code>X</code> .
coef	a vector contains prior initial value of Coefficient of Regression Model for fixed effect with default vector of 0 with the length of the number of regression coefficients.
var.coef	a vector contains prior initial value of variance of Coefficient of Regression Model with default vector of 1 with the length of the number of regression coefficients.
iter.update	number of updates with default <code>3</code> .
iter.mcmc	number of total iterations per chain with default <code>10000</code> .
thin	thinning rate, must be a positive integer with default <code>2</code> .
tau.u	prior initial value of inverse of Variance of area random effect with default <code>1</code> .
burn.in	number of iterations to discard at the beginning with default <code>2000</code> .
data	the data frame.

Value

This function returns a list with the following objects:

Est	A vector with the values of Small Area mean Estimates using Hierarchical bayesian method
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refVar	Estimated random effect variances
coefficient	A data frame with the estimated model coefficient
plot	Trace, Dencity, Autocorrelation Function Plot of MCMC samples

Examples

```
## Load dataset
data(dataTMEHB)

## Auxiliary variables only contains variable with error
example <- meHBt(Y~x1, vardir = "vardir",
                var.x = c("v.x1"), iter.update = 3, iter.mcmc = 10000,
                thin = 5, burn.in = 1000, data = dataTMEHB)

## Auxiliary variables contains variable with error and without error
example_mix <- meHBt(Y~x1+x2, vardir = "vardir",
                    var.x = c("v.x1"), iter.update = 3, iter.mcmc = 10000,
                    thin = 5, burn.in = 1000, data = dataTMEHB)

## Create dataset with nonsampled area
dataTMEHBns <- dataTMEHB
dataTMEHBns[c(1,10,20,30),"Y"] <- NA

## For data with nonsampled area use dataTMEHBns
```


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