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Intracluster Correlation Coefficient (ICC) for Binary Data

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Description Assists in generating binary clustered data, estimates of Intracluster Correlation coeffi-
cient (ICC) for binary response in 16 different methods, and 5 different types of confidence inter-
vals.

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Description

Estimates Intracluster Correlation coefficients (ICC) in 16 different methods and it's confidence intervals (CI) in 5 different methods given the data on cluster labels and outcomes

Usage

```
iccbin(cid, y, data = NULL, method = c("aov", "aovs", "keq", "kpr", "keqs",
   "kprs", "stab", "ub", "fc", "mak", "peq", "pgp", "ppr", "rm", "lin", "sim"),
   ci.type = c("aov", "wal", "fc", "peq", "rm"), alpha = 0.05,
   kappa = 0.45, nAGQ = 1, M = 1000)
```

Arguments

cid	Column name indicating cluster id in the dataframe `data`
y	Column name indicating binary response in the dataframe `data`
data	A dataframe containing `cid` and `y`
method	The method to be used to compute ICC. A single or multiple methods can be used at a time. By default, all 16 methods will be used. See Details for more.
ci.type	Type of confidence interval to be computed. By default all 5 types will be reported. See Details for more
alpha	The significance level to be used while computing confidence interval. Default value is 0.05
kappa	Value of Kappa to be used in computing Stabilized ICC when the method `stab` is chosen. Default value is 0.45
nAGQ	An integer scaler, as in `glmer` function of package `lme4`, denoting the number of points per axis for evaluating the adaptive Gauss-Hermite approximation to the log-likelihood. Used when the method `lin` is chosen. Default value is 1
M	Number of Monte Carlo replicates used in ICC computation method `sim`. Default is 1000

Details

If in the dataframe, the cluster id (`cid`) is not a factor, it will be changed to a factor and a warning message will be given

If estimate of ICC in any method is outside the interval [0, 1], the estimate and corresponding confidence interval (if appropriate) will not be provided and warning messages will be produced

If the lower limit of any confidence interval is below 0 and upper limit is above 1, they will be replaced by 0 and 1 respectively and a warning message will be produced

Method `aov` computes the analysis of variance estimate of ICC. This estimator was originally proposed for continuous variables, but various authors (e.g. Elston, 1977) have suggested it's use for binary variables

Method `aovs` gives estimate of ICC using a modification of analysis of variance technique (see Fleiss, 1981)

Method `keq` computes moment estimate of ICC suggested by Kleinman (1973), uses equal weight $w_i = 1/k$, for each of k clusters

Method `kpr` computes moment estimate of ICC suggested by Kleinman (1973), uses weights proportional to cluster size $w_i = n_i/N$

Method `keqs` gives a modified moment estimate of ICC with equal weights (keq) (see Kleinman, 1973)

Method `kprs` gives a modified moment estimate of ICC with weights proportional to cluster size (kpr) (see Kleinman, 1973)

Method `stab` provides a stabilizd estimate of ICC proposed by Tamura and Young (1987)

Method `ub` computes moment estimate of ICC from an unbiased estimating equation (see Yamamoto and Yanagimoto, 1992)

Method `fc` gives Fleiss-Cuzick estimate of ICC (see Fleiss and Cuzick, 1979)

Method `mak` computes Mak's estimate of ICC (see Mak, 1988)

Method `peq` computes weighted correlation estimate of ICC proposed by Karlin, Cameron, and Williams (1981) using equal weight to every pair of observations

Method `pgp` computes weighted correlation estimate of ICC proposed by Karlin, Cameron, and Williams (1981) using equal weight to each cluster irrespective of size

Method `ppr` computes weighted correlation estimate of ICC proposed by Karlin, Cameron, and Williams (1981) by weighting each pair according to the total number of pairs in which the individuals appear

Method `rm` estimates ICC using resampling method proposed by Chakraborty and Sen (2016)

Method `lin` estimates ICC using model linearization proposed by Goldstein et al. (2002)

Method `sim` estimates ICC using Monte Carlo simulation proposed by Goldstein et al. (2002)

CI type `aov` computes confidence interval for ICC using Simith's large sample approximation (see Smith, 1957)

CI type `wal` computes confidence interval for ICC using modified Wald test (see Zou and Donner, 2004).

CI type `fc` gives Fleiss-Cuzick confidence interval for ICC (see Fleiss and Cuzick, 1979; and Zou and Donner, 2004)

CI type `peq` estimates confidence interval for ICC based on direct calculation of correlation between observations within clusters (see Zou and Donner, 2004; and Wu, Crespi, and Wong, 2012)

CI type `rm` gives confidence interval for ICC using resampling method by Chakraborty and Sen (2016)

Value

estimates	A dataframe containing the name of methods used and corresponding estimates of Intracluster Correlation coefficients
ci	A dataframe containing names of confidence interval types and corresponding estimated confidence intervals

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See Also

[rcbin](#)

Examples

```
bccdata <- rcbin(prop = .4, prvar = .2, noc = 30, csize = 20, csvar = .2, rho = .2)
iccbin(cid = cid, y = y, data = bccdata)
iccbin(cid = cid, y = y, data = bccdata, method = c("aov", "fc"), ci.type = "fc")
```

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rcbin *Generates correlated binary cluster data*

Description

Generates correrlated binary cluster data given value of Intracluster Correlation, proportion of event and it's variation, number of clusters, cluster size and variation in cluster size

Usage

```
rcbin(prop = 0.5, prvar = 0, noc, csize, csvar = 0, rho)
```

Arguments

prop	A numeric value between 0 and 1 denoting assumed proportion of event in interest, default value is 0.5. See Detail
prvar	A numeric value between 0 and 1 denoting percent of variation in assumed proportion of event (prvar), default value is 0. See Detail
noc	A numeric value telling the number of clusters to be generated
csize	A numeric value denoting desired cluster size. See Deatil
csvar	A numeric value between 0 and 1 denoting percent of variation in cluster sizes (csize), default value is 0. See Detail
rho	A numeric value between 0 and 1 denoting desired level of Intracluster Correlation

Details

The minimum and maximum values of event proportion (prop) will be taken as 0 and 1 respectively in cases where it exceeds the valid limits (0, 1) due to larger value of percent variation (prvar) supplied

The minimum value of cluster size (csize) will be taken as 2 in cases where it goes below 2 due to larger value of percent variation (csvar) supplied

Value

A dataframe with two columns presenting cluster id (cid) and a binary response (y) variables

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See Also

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Examples

```
rcbin(prop = .4, prvar = .2, noc = 30, csize = 20, csvar = .2, rho = .2)
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