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Description

We consider a set of sample counts obtained by sampling arbitrary fractions of a finite volume containing an homogeneously dispersed population of identical objects. This package implements a Bayesian derivation of the posterior probability distribution of the population size using a binomial likelihood and non-conjugate, discrete uniform priors under sampling with or without replacement. This can be used for a variety of statistical problems involving absolute quantification under uncertainty. See Comoglio et al. (2013) <doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0074388>.

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Contents

`dupiR-package` *Bayesian inference from count data using discrete uniform priors*

Description

This package allows to infer population sizes using a binomial likelihood and least informative discrete uniform priors.

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References

Comoglio F, Fracchia L, Rinaldi M (2013) Bayesian Inference from Count Data Using Discrete Uniform Priors. PLoS ONE 8(10): e74388

compute_ecdf *Compute ECDF (empirical cumulative distribution function)*

Description

Compute ECDF (empirical cumulative distribution function)

Usage

```
compute_ecdf(posterior)
```

Arguments

posterior	numeric vector of posterior probabilities over the prior support

Value

numeric vector with empirical cumulative distribution function (cumulative sum of `posterior`)

compute_normalization_constant *Compute normalization constant*

Description

Compute normalization constant

Usage

```
compute_normalization_constant(counts, n_start, n_end, f_product)
```

Arguments

counts	integer vector of counts
n_start	start of prior support range
n_end	end of prior support range
f_product	product of (1-`fractions`)

Value

normalization constant to compute posterior density

`compute_posterior` *Compute the posterior probability distribution of the population size for an object of class* `Counts`

Description

Compute the posterior probability distribution of the population size using a discrete uniform prior and a binomial likelihood ("dup" algorithm, Comoglio et al.). An approximation using a Gamma prior and a Poisson likelihood is used when applicable ("gamma" algorithm) method (see Clough et al. for details)

Usage

```
compute_posterior(
  object,
  n_start,
  n_end,
  replacement = FALSE,
  b = 1e-10,
  alg = "dup"
)
```

Arguments

`object`	object of class `Counts`
`n_start`	start of prior support range
`n_end`	end of prior support range
`replacement`	was sampling performed with replacement? Default to FALSE
`b`	prior rate parameter of the gamma distribution used to compute the posterior with Clough. Default to 1e-10
`alg`	algorithm to be used to compute posterior. One of ... . Default to "dup"

Value

an object of class `Counts`

Author(s)

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References

Comoglio F, Fracchia L and Rinaldi M (2013) Bayesian inference from count data using discrete uniform priors. PLoS ONE 8(10): e74388

Clough HE et al. (2005) Quantifying Uncertainty Associated with Microbial Count Data: A Bayesian Approach. Biometrics 61: 610-616

Examples

```
counts <- new_counts(counts = c(20,30), fractions = c(0.075, 0.10))

# default parameters ("dup" algorithm, sampling without replacement, default prior support)
posterior <- compute_posterior(counts)

# custom prior support ("dup" algorithm)
posterior <- compute_posterior(counts, n_start = 0, n_end = 1e3)

# gamma prior ("gamma" algorithm)
posterior <- compute_posterior(counts, alg = "gamma")

# sampling with replacement
posterior <- compute_posterior(counts, replacement = TRUE)
```

`compute_posterior_with_replacement`
Compute posterior probability with replacement

Description

Compute posterior probability with replacement

Usage

```
compute_posterior_with_replacement(n, counts, f_product, denominator)
```

Arguments

`n`	integer for which to compute the posterior
`counts`	integer vector of counts
`f_product`	product of (1-`fractions`)
`denominator`	normalization constant returned by `compute_normalization_constant`

Value

posterior probability of `n`

See Also

compute_normalization_constant

compute_sum *Compute sum of terms (function F, Comoglio et al.)*

Description

Compute sum of terms (function F, Comoglio et al.)

Usage

```
compute_sum(counts, n, f_product)
```

Arguments

counts	integer vector of counts
n	number of objects
f_product	product of (1-fractions)

Value

sum of terms in function F

compute_term *Compute single term (function F, Comoglio et al.)*

Description

Compute single term (function F, Comoglio et al.)

Usage

```
compute_term(counts, n, f_product, t)
```

Arguments

counts	integer vector of counts
n	number of objects
f_product	product of (1-fractions)
t	index vector

Value

single term of function F

`Counts-class` *An S4 class to store measurements (count data, sampling fractions), prior support and posterior parameters*

Description

An S4 class to store measurements (count data, sampling fractions), prior support and posterior parameters

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'Counts'
get_counts(object)

## S4 method for signature 'Counts'
get_fractions(object)

## S4 replacement method for signature 'Counts'
set_counts(object) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'Counts'
set_fractions(object) <- value

## S4 method for signature 'Counts'
compute_posterior(
  object,
  n_start,
  n_end,
  replacement = FALSE,
  b = 1e-10,
  alg = "dup"
)

## S4 method for signature 'Counts'
get_posterior_param(object, low = 0.025, up = 0.975, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'Counts'
plot_posterior(object, low = 0.025, up = 0.975, xlab, step, ...)
```

Arguments

`object`	object of class `Counts`
`value`	numeric vector of sampling fractions
`n_start`	start of prior support range
`n_end`	end of prior support range
`replacement`	was sampling performed with replacement? Default to FALSE

b	prior rate parameter of the gamma distribution used to compute the posterior with Clough. Default to 1e-10
alg	algorithm to be used to compute posterior. One of ... . Default to "dup"
low	1 - right tail posterior probability
up	left tail posterior probability
...	additional parameters to be passed to curve
xlab	x-axis label. Default to 'n' (no label)
step	integer defining the increment for x-axis labels (distance between two consecutive tick marks)

Value

counts vector from a Counts object

fractions vector from a Counts object

an object of class Counts

an object of class Counts

an object of class Counts

an object of class Counts

no return value, called for side effects

Methods (by generic)

- get_counts(Counts): Returns counts from a Counts object
- get_fractions(Counts): Returns fractions from a Counts object
- set_counts(Counts) <- value: Replaces counts of a Counts object with the provided values
- set_fractions(Counts) <- value: Replaces fractions of a Counts object with the provided values
- compute_posterior(Counts): Compute the posterior probability distribution of the population size
- get_posterior_param(Counts): Extract statistical parameters (e.g. credible intervals) from a posterior probability distribution
- plot_posterior(Counts): Plot posterior probability distribution and posterior parameters

Slots

counts integer vector of counts (required)

fractions numeric vector of sampling fractions (required)

n_start start of prior support range. If omitted and total counts greater than zero, computed as 0.5 * mle, where mle is the maximum likelihood estimate of the population size

n_end end of prior support range. If omitted and total counts greater than zero, computed as 2 * mle, where mle is the maximum likelihood estimate of the population size

f_product product of (1-fractions)

`mle` maximum likelihood estimate of the population size (ratio between total counts and total sampling fraction)

`norm_constant` normalization constant

`posterior` numeric vector of posterior probabilities over the prior support

`map_p` maximum of `posterior` probability

`map_index` index of prior support corresponding to the maximum a posteriori

`map` maximum a posteriori of population size

`q_low` lower bound of the credible interval

`q_low_p` probability of the lower bound of the credible interval

`q_low_index` index of the prior support corresponding to `q_low`

`q_low_cum_p` cumulative posterior probability from `n_start` to `q_low` (left tail)

`q_up` upper bound of the credible interval

`q_up_p` probability of the upper bound of the credible interval

`q_up_index` index of the prior support corresponding to `q_high`

`q_up_cum_p` cumulative posterior probability from `q_high` to `n_end` (right tail)

`gamma` logical, TRUE if posterior computed using a Gamma approximation

Note

The `posterior` slot contains either the PMF or a logical value used to compute posterior parameters with a Gamma approximation (see reference for details)

Lower and upper bounds of the credibile interval are computed at a default confidence level of 95

For more details on the normalization constant, see Corollary 1 in reference

Author(s)

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References

Comoglio F, Fracchia L and Rinaldi M (2013) Bayesian inference from count data using discrete uniform priors. PLoS ONE 8(10): e74388

See Also

compute_posterior, get_posterior_param

Examples

```
# constructor:
# create an object of class 'Counts'
new_counts(counts = c(30, 35), fractions = c(0.075, 0.1))

# same, using new
new("Counts", counts = c(30, 35), fractions = c(0.075, 0.1))
```

gamma_poisson_clough *Compute posterior probability using a Gamma-Poisson model (Clough et al.)*

Description

Compute posterior probability using a Gamma-Poisson model (Clough et al.)

Usage

```
gamma_poisson_clough(object, n_start, n_end, a = 1, b = 1e-10)
```

Arguments

object	object of class Counts
n_start	start of prior support range
n_end	end of prior support range
a	prior shape parameter of the gamma distribution used to compute the posterior with Clough. Default to 1
b	prior rate parameter of the gamma distribution used to compute the posterior with Clough. Default to 1e-10

Value

vector of posterior probabilities

Note

if support range spans more than 100k values, the posterior is not computed

get_counts *Get* counts *slot for an object of class* Counts

Description

Get counts slot for an object of class Counts

Usage

```
get_counts(object)
```

Arguments

object	object of class Counts

Value

counts vector from a Counts object

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get_fractions *Get* fractions *slot for an object of class* Counts

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Description

Get fractions slot for an object of class Counts

Usage

```
get_fractions(object)
```

Arguments

object	object of class Counts

Value

fractions vector from a Counts object

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get_posterior_param *Compute posterior probability distribution parameters (e.g. credible intervals) for an object of class* Counts

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Description

This function computes posterior parameters and credible intervals at the given confidence level (default to 95%).

Usage

```
get_posterior_param(object, low = 0.025, up = 0.975, ...)
```

Arguments

object	object of class Counts
low	1 - right tail posterior probability
up	left tail posterior probability
...	additional parameters to be passed to plot_posterior

Value

an object of class Counts

Author(s)

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References

Comoglio F, Fracchia L and Rinaldi M (2013) Bayesian inference from count data using discrete uniform priors. PLoS ONE 8(10): e74388

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Examples

```
counts <- new_counts(counts = c(20,30), fractions = c(0.075, 0.10))

# default parameters ("dup" algorithm, sampling without replacement, default prior support)
posterior <- compute_posterior(counts)

get_posterior_param(posterior)
```

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initialize,Counts-method

Initialize Counts *class*

Description

Initialize Counts class

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'Counts'
initialize(.Object, counts, fractions)
```

Arguments

.Object	an object of class "Counts"
counts	integer vector of counts
fractions	numeric vector of sampling fractions

new_counts *Constructor for* Counts *class*

Description

Constructor for Counts class

Usage

```
new_counts(counts, fractions)
```

Arguments

counts	integer vector of counts
fractions	numeric vector of sampling fractions

Value

An object of the Counts class

plot,Counts-method *Plot method for* Counts *class*

Description

Plot method for Counts class

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'Counts'
plot(x, y, ...)
```

Arguments

x	object of class Counts
y	none
...	additional parameters to be passed to plot_posterior

Value

no return value, called for side effects

`plot_posterior` *Plot posterior probability distribution and display posterior parameters for an object of class* `Counts`

Description

Plot posterior probability distribution and display posterior parameters for an object of class `Counts`

Usage

```
plot_posterior(object, low = 0.025, up = 0.975, xlab, step, ...)
```

Arguments

`object`	object of class `Counts`
`low`	1 - right tail posterior probability
`up`	left tail posterior probability
`xlab`	x-axis label. Default to 'n' (no label)
`step`	integer defining the increment for x-axis labels (distance between two consecutive tick marks)
`...`	additional parameters to be passed to curve

Value

no return value, called for side effects

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References

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Examples

```
counts <- new_counts(counts = c(20,30), fractions = c(0.075, 0.10))

# default parameters ("dup" algorithm, sampling without replacement, default prior support)
posterior <- compute_posterior(counts)

# plot posterior
plot_posterior(posterior, type = 'l', lwd = 3, col = 'blue3')
```

set_counts<- *Set* counts *slot for an object of class* Counts

Description

Set counts slot for an object of class Counts

Usage

```
set_counts(object) <- value
```

Arguments

object	object of class Counts
value	numeric vector of counts

Value

an object of class Counts

set_fractions<- *Set* fractions *slot for an object of class* Counts

Description

Set fractions slot for an object of class Counts

Usage

```
set_fractions(object) <- value
```

Arguments

object	object of class Counts
value	numeric vector of sampling fractions

Value

an object of class Counts

show,Counts-method *Print method for* Counts *class*

Description

Print method for Counts class

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'Counts'
show(object)
```

Arguments

object	object of class Counts

Value

no return value, called for side effects

summary,Counts-method *Summary method for* Counts *class*

Description

Summary method for Counts class

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'Counts'
summary(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object	object of class Counts
...	additional parameters affecting the summary produced

Value

no return value, called for side effects

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