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Mark-Recapture Distance Sampling (mrds)

# **Description**

This package implements mark-recapture distance sampling methods as described in D.L. Borchers, W. Zucchini and Fewster, R.M. (1988), "Mark-recapture models for line transect surveys", Biometrics 54: 1207-1220. and Laake, J.L. (1999) "Distance sampling with independent observers: Reducing bias from heterogeneity by weakening the conditional independence assumption." in Amstrup, G.W., Garner, S.C., Laake, J.L., Manly, B.F.J., McDonald, L.L. and Robertson, D.G. (eds) "Marine mammal survey and assessment methods", Balkema, Rotterdam: 137-148 and Borchers, D.L., Laake, J.L., Southwell, C. and Paxton, C.L.G. "Accommodating unmodelled heterogeneity in double-observer distance sampling surveys". 2006. Biometrics 62:372-378.)

#### **Details**

Examples of distance sampling analyses are available at <a href="http://examples.distancesampling.org/">http://examples.distancesampling.org/</a>.

For help with distance sampling and this package, there is a Google Group https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/distance-sampling.

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add.df.covar.line

Add covariate levels detection function plots

# Description

Add a line or lines to a plot of the detection function which correspond to a a given covariate combination. These can be particularly useful when there is a small number of factor levels or if quantiles of a continuous covariate are specified.

#### Usage

```
add.df.covar.line(ddf, data, ndist = 250, pdf = FALSE, breaks = "Sturges", ...)
add_df_covar_line(ddf, data, ndist = 250, pdf = FALSE, breaks = "Sturges", ...)
```

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#### Arguments

ddf	a fitted detection function object.
data	a data.frame with the covariate combination you want to plot.
ndist	number of distances at which to evaluate the detection function.
pdf	should the line be drawn on the probability density scale; ignored for line transects.
breaks	required to ensure that PDF lines are the right size, should match what is supplied to original plot command. Defaults to "Sturges" breaks, as in hist. Only used if pdf=TRUE.
• • •	extra arguments to give to line (lty, lwd, col).

#### **Details**

All covariates must be specified in data. Plots can become quite busy when this approach is used. It may be useful to fix some covariates at their median level and plot set values of a covariate of interest. For example setting weather (e.g., Beaufort) to its median and plotting levels of observer, then creating a second plot for a fixed observer with levels of weather.

Arguments to lines are supplied in ... and aesthetics like line type (lty), line width (lwd) and colour (col) are recycled. By default lty is used to distinguish between the lines. It may be useful to add a legend to the plot (lines are plotted in the order of data).

#### Value

invisibly, the values of detectability over the truncation range.

#### Author(s)

David L Miller

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adj.check.order

Check order of adjustment terms

#### **Description**

'adj.check.order' checks that the Cosine, Hermite or simple polynomials are of the correct order.

#### Usage

```
adj.check.order(adj.series, adj.order, key)
```

# Arguments

adj.series Adjustment series used ('cos','herm','poly')

adj.order Integer to check

key key function to be used with this adjustment series

#### **Details**

Only even functions are allowed as adjustment terms, per p.47 of Buckland et al (2001). If incorrect terms are supplied then an error is throw via stop.

#### Value

Nothing! Just calls stop if something goes wrong.

# Author(s)

David Miller

#### References

S.T.Buckland, D.R.Anderson, K.P. Burnham, J.L. Laake. 1993. Robust Models. In: Distance Sampling, eds. S.T.Buckland, D.R.Anderson, K.P. Burnham, J.L. Laake. Chapman & Hall.

#### See Also

```
adjfct.cos, adjfct.poly, adjfct.herm, detfct, mcds, cds
```

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adj.cos

Cosine adjustment term, not the series.

# **Description**

For internal use only – not to be called by 'mrds' or 'Distance' users directly.

# Usage

```
adj.cos(distance, scaling, adj.order)
```

# **Arguments**

distance perpendicular distance vector/scalar

scaling scale parameter adj.order the adjustment order

# Value

scalar or vector containing the cosine adjustment term for every value in distance argument

# Author(s)

Felix Petersma

adj.herm

Hermite polynomial adjustment term, not the series.

# Description

For internal use only – not to be called by 'mrds' or 'Distance' users directly.

# Usage

```
adj.herm(distance, scaling, adj.order)
```

# Arguments

distance perpendicular distance vector/scalar

scaling scale parameter adj.order the adjustment order

#### Value

scalar or vector containing the Hermite adjustment term for every value in distance argument

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# Author(s)

Felix Petersma

adj.poly

Simple polynomial adjustment term, not the series.

# **Description**

For internal use only – not to be called by 'mrds' or 'Distance' users directly.

# Usage

```
adj.poly(distance, scaling, adj.order)
```

# **Arguments**

distance perpendicular distance vector/scalar

scaling scale parameter adj.order the adjustment order

# Value

scalar or vector containing the polynomial adjustment term for every value in distance argument

#### Author(s)

Felix Petersma

adj.series.grad.cos

Series of the gradient of the cosine adjustment series w.r.t. the scaled distance.

# **Description**

For internal use only – not to be called by 'mrds' or 'Distance' users directly.

# Usage

```
adj.series.grad.cos(
  distance,
  scaling = 1,
  adj.order,
  adj.parm = NULL,
  adj.exp = FALSE
)
```

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# **Arguments**

distance	perpendicular distance vector/scalar
scaling	scale parameter
adj.order	the adjustment order
adj.parm	vector of parameters (a_j)
adj.exp	boolean, defaults to FALSE

#### Value

scalar or vector containing the gradient of the cosine adjustment series for every value in distance argument

# Author(s)

Felix Petersma

```
adj.series.grad.herm Series of the gradient of the Hermite polynomial adjustment series w.r.t. the scaled distance.
```

# Description

For internal use only – not to be called by 'mrds' or 'Distance' users directly.

# Usage

```
adj.series.grad.herm(
  distance,
  scaling = 1,
  adj.order,
  adj.parm = NULL,
  adj.exp = FALSE
)
```

# **Arguments**

```
distance perpendicular distance vector/scalar scaling scale parameter adj.order the adjustment order vector of parameters (a_j) adj.exp boolean, defaults to FALSE
```

#### Value

scalar or vector containing the gradient of the Hermite adjustment series for every value in distance argument

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# Author(s)

Felix Petersma

```
adj.series.grad.poly Series of the gradient of the simple polynomial adjustment series w.r.t. the scaled distance.
```

# Description

For internal use only – not to be called by 'mrds' or 'Distance' users directly.

# Usage

```
adj.series.grad.poly(
  distance,
  scaling = 1,
  adj.order,
  adj.parm = NULL,
  adj.exp = FALSE
)
```

# Arguments

```
distance perpendicular distance vector/scalar scaling scale parameter
adj.order the adjustment order
adj.parm vector of parameters (a_j)
adj.exp boolean, defaults to FALSE
```

# Value

scalar or vector containing the gradient of the polynomial adjustment series for every value in distance argument

# Author(s)

Felix Petersma

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AIC.ddf

Akaike's An Information Criterion for detection functions

# Description

Extract the AIC from a fitted detection function.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ddf' AIC(object, ..., k = 2)
```

# Arguments

object a fitted detection function object ... optionally more fitted model objects.

k penalty per parameter to be used; the default k = 2 is the "classical" AIC

#### Author(s)

David L Miller

apex.gamma

Get the apex for a gamma detection function

# Description

Get the apex for a gamma detection function

# Usage

```
apex.gamma(ddfobj)
```

# Arguments

ddfobj

ddf object

# Value

the distance at which the gamma peaks

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake

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assign.default.values Assign default values to list elements that have not been already assigned

#### **Description**

Assigns default values for argument in list x from argument=value pairs in ...if x=argument doesn't already exist

#### Usage

```
assign.default.values(x, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

x generic list

... unspecified list of argument=value pairs that are used to assign values

#### Value

x - list with filled values

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake

average.line

Average detection function line for plotting

#### **Description**

For models with covariates the detection probability for each observation can vary. This function computes an average value for a set of distances to plot an average line to graphically represent the fitted model in plots that compare histograms and the scatter of individual estimated detection probabilities. Averages are calculated over the observed covariate combinations.

# Usage

```
average.line(finebr, obs, model)
```

# Arguments

finebr	set of fine breaks	in distance over	which detection t	function va	lues are averaged

and plotted

obs value of observer for averaging (1-2 individual observers; 3 duplicates; 4 pooled

observation team)

model ddf model object

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#### Value

list with 2 elements

xgrid vector of gridded distance values

values vector of average detection function values at the xgrid values

#### Note

Internal function called from plot functions for ddf objects

#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

average.line.cond

Average conditional detection function line for plotting

#### **Description**

For models with covariates the detection probability for each observation can vary. This function computes an average value for a set of distances to plot an average line to graphically represent the fitted model in plots that compare histograms and the scatter of individual estimated detection probabilities.

# Usage

```
average.line.cond(finebr, obs, model)
```

#### **Arguments**

finebr set of fine breaks in distance over which detection function values are averaged

and plotted

obs value of observer for averaging (1-2 individual observers)

model ddf model object

#### Value

list with 2 elements:

xgrid vector of gridded distance values

values vector of average detection function values at the xgrid values

#### Note

Internal function called from plot functions for ddf objects

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#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

 $book. \verb|tee.data| & \textit{Golf tee data used in chapter 6 of Advanced Distance Sampling examples} \\$ 

#### Description

Double platform data collected in a line transect survey of golf tees by 2 observers at St. Andrews. Field sex was actually colour of the golf tee: 0 - green; 1 - yellow. Exposure was either low (0) or high(1) depending on height of tee above the ground. size was the number of tees in an observed cluster.

#### **Format**

A list of 4 dataframes, with the list elements named: book.tee.dataframe, book.tee.region, book.tee.samples and book.tee.obs.

**book.tee.dataframe** is the distance sampling data dataframe. Used in the call to fit the detection function in ddf. Contains the following columns:

object numeric object id

**observer** factor representing observer 1 or 2

detected numeric 1 if the animal was detected 0 otherwise

distance numeric value for the distance the animal was detected

size numeric value for the group sizesex numeric value for sex of animal

**exposure** numeric value for exposure level 0 or 1

**book.tee.region**: is the region table dataframe. Used to supply the strata areas to the dht function. Contains the following columns:

**Region.Label** factor giving the strata labels

Area numeric value giving the strata areas

**book.tee.samples** is the samples table dataframe to match the transect ids to the region ids and supply the effort. Used in the dht function. Contains the following columns:

Sample.Label numeric giving the sample / transect labels

Region.Label factor giving the strata labels

**Effort** numeric value giving the sample / transect lengths

**book.tee.obs** is the observations table dataframe to match the object ids in the distance data to the transect labels. Used in the dht function. Contains the following columns:

object numeric value object id

Region.Label factor giving the strata labels

Sample.Label numeric giving the sample / transect labels

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calc.se.Np

Find se of average p and N

#### Description

Find se of average p and N

# Usage

```
calc.se.Np(model, avgp, n, average.p)
```

#### **Arguments**

model a ddf model object avgp average p function

n sample size

average.p the average probability of detection for the model

#### Author(s)

David L. Miller

cdf.ds

Cumulative distribution function (cdf) for fitted distance sampling detection function

# Description

Computes cdf values of observed distances from fitted distribution. For a set of observed x it returns the integral of f(x) for the range= (inner, x), where inner is the innermost distance which is observable (either 0 or left if left truncated). In terms of g(x) this is the integral of g(x) over range divided by the integral of g(x) over the entire range of the data (inner, W).

# Usage

```
cdf.ds(model, newdata = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

model fitted distance sampling model

newdata new data values if computed for values other than the original observations

#### Value

vector of cdf values for each observation

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# Note

This is an internal function that is not intended to be invoked directly. It is called by qqplot.ddf to compute values for Kolmogorov-Smirnov and Cramer-von Mises tests and the Q-Q plot.

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake

# See Also

```
qqplot.ddf
```

cds

CDS function definition

# **Description**

Creates model formula list for conventional distance sampling using values supplied in call to ddf

# Usage

```
cds(
  key = NULL,
  adj.series = NULL,
  adj.order = NULL,
  adj.scale = "width",
  adj.exp = FALSE,
  formula = ~1,
  shape.formula = ~1
)
```

# Arguments

key	string identifying key function (currently either "hn" (half-normal), "hr" (hazard-rate), "unif" (uniform) or "gamma" (gamma distribution)
adj.series	string identifying adjustment functions cos (Cosine), herm (Hermite polynomials), poly (simple polynomials) or NULL
adj.order	vector of order of adjustment terms to include
adj.scale	whether to scale the adjustment terms by "width" or "scale"
adj.exp	if TRUE uses $\exp(adj)$ for adjustment to keep $f(x)>0$
formula	formula for scale function (included for completeness only only formula= $\sim$ 1 for cds)
shape.formula	formula for shape function

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# Value

A formula list used to define the detection function model

fct string "cds"

key key function string

adj.series adjustment function string
adj.order adjustment function orders
adj.scale adjustment function scale type
formula for scale function
shape.formula for shape function

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake; Dave Miller

check.bounds

Check parameters bounds during optimisations

# **Description**

Simple internal function to check that the optimisation didn't hit bounds. Based on code that used to live in detfct.fit.opt.

#### Usage

check.bounds(lt, lowerbounds, upperbounds, ddfobj, showit, setlower, setupper)

#### Arguments

1t optimisation object
lowerbounds current lower bounds
upperbounds current upper bounds

ddfobj ddfobject showit debug level

setlower were lower bounds set by the user setupper were upper bounds set by the user

#### Value

TRUE if parameters are close to the bound, else FALSE

# Author(s)

Dave Miller; Jeff Laake

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check.mono	Check that a detection function is monotone

#### **Description**

Check that a fitted detection function is monotone non-increasing.

# Usage

```
check.mono(
   df,
   strict = TRUE,
   n.pts = 100,
   tolerance = 1e-08,
   plot = FALSE,
   max.plots = 6
)
```

### Arguments

df	a fitted detection function object
strict	if TRUE (default) the detection function must be "strictly" monotone, that is that $(g(x[i])\leq g(x[i-1]))$ over the whole range (left to right truncation points).
n.pts	number of equally-spaced points between left and right truncation at which to evaluate the detection function (default 100)
tolerance	numerical tolerance for monotonicity checks (default 1e-8)
plot	plot a diagnostic highlighting the non-monotonic areas (default FALSE)
max.plots	when plot=TRUE, what is the maximum number of plots of non-monotone co- variate combinations that should be plotted? Plotted combinations are a random sample of the non-monotonic subset of evaluations. No effect for non-covariate models.

# **Details**

Evaluates a series of points over the range of the detection function (left to right truncation) then determines:

1. If the detection function is always less than or equal to its value at the left truncation  $(g(x) \le g(left), or usually g(x) \le g(0))$ . 2. (Optionally) The detection function is always monotone decreasing  $(g(x[i]) \le g(x[i-1]))$ . This check is only performed when strict=TRUE (the default). 3. The detection function is never less than  $0(g(x) \ge 0)$ . 4. The detection function is never greater than  $1(g(x) \le 1)$ .

For models with covariates in the scale parameter of the detection function is evaluated at all observed covariate combinations.

Currently covariates in the shape parameter are not supported.

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#### Value

TRUE if the detection function is monotone, FALSE if it's not. warnings are issued to warn the user that the function is non-monotonic.

#### Author(s)

David L. Miller, Felix Petersma

coef.ds

Extract coefficients

#### **Description**

Extract coefficients and provide a summary of parameters and estimates from the output of ddf model objects.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ds'
coef(object,...)
    ## S3 method for class 'io'
coef(object,...)
    ## S3 method for class 'io.fi'
coef(object,...)
    ## S3 method for class 'trial'
coef(object,...)
    ## S3 method for class 'trial.fi'
coef(object,...)
    ## S3 method for class 'rem'
coef(object,...)
    ## S3 method for class 'rem'
coef(object,...)
    ## S3 method for class 'rem.fi'
coef(object,...)
```

# Arguments

```
object ddf model object of class ds, io, io.fi, trial, trial.fi, rem, or rem.fi.
... unspecified arguments that are unused at present
```

# Value

For coef.ds List of data frames for coefficients (scale and exponent (if hazard))

scale dataframe of scale coefficient estimates and standard errors

exponent dataframe with exponent estimate and standard error if hazard detection function

For all others Data frame containing each coefficient and standard error

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# Note

These functions are called by the generic function coef for any ddf model object. It can be called directly by the user, but it is typically safest to use coef which calls the appropriate function based on the type of model.

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake

compute.Nht

Horvitz-Thompson estimates 1/p\_i or s\_i/p\_i

# Description

Compute individual components of Horvitz-Thompson abundance estimate in covered region for a particular subset of the data depending on value of group = TRUE (do group abundance); FALSE(do individual abundance)

#### Usage

```
compute.Nht(pdot, group = TRUE, size = NULL)
```

# **Arguments**

pdot vector of estimated detection probabilities

group if TRUE (do group abundance); FALSE(do individual abundance)

size vector of group size values for clustered populations

#### Value

vector of H-T components for abundance estimate

#### Note

Internal function called by covered.region.dht

#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

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covered.region.dht Covered region estimate of all

Covered region estimate of abundance from Horvitz-Thompson-like

estimator

# Description

Computes H-T abundance within covered region by sample.

# Usage

```
covered.region.dht(obs, samples, group)
```

#### **Arguments**

obs observations table samples samples table

group if TRUE compute abundance of group otherwise abundance of individuals

#### Value

Nhat.by.sample - dataframe of abundance by sample

# Note

Internal function called by dht and related functions

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake

create.bins

Create bins from a set of binned distances and a set of cutpoints.

# **Description**

This is an internal routine and shouldn't be necessary in normal analyses.

# Usage

```
create.bins(data, cutpoints)
```

# Arguments

data 'data.frame' with at least the column 'distance'.

cutpoints vector of cutpoints for the bins

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# Value

argument 'data' with two extra columns 'distbegin' and 'distend'.

#### Author(s)

David L. Miller

create.command.file create.command.file

# Description

create.command.file

# Usage

```
create.command.file(dsmodel = call(), data, method, meta.data, control)
```

# **Arguments**

dsmodel distance sampling model specification
data dataframe containing data to be analyzed

method analysis method

meta.data list containing settings controlling data structure control list containing settings controlling model fitting

#### Author(s)

Jonah McArthur

create.model.frame

Create a model frame for ddf fitting

# Description

Creates a model.frame for distance detection function fitting. It includes some pre-specified and computed variables with those included in the model specified by user (formula)

# Usage

```
create.model.frame(xmat, scale.formula, meta.data, shape.formula = NULL)
```

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#### Arguments

xmat dataframe for ddf

scale.formula user specified formula for scale of distance detection function

meta.data user-specified meta.data (see ddf

shape.formula user specified formula for shape parameter of distance detection function

#### **Details**

The following fields are always included: detected, observer, binned, and optionally distance (unless null), timesdetected (if present in data). If the distance data were binned, include distbegin and distend point fields. If the integration width varies also include int.begin and int.end and include an offset field for an iterative glm, if used. Beyond these fields only fields used in the model formula are included.

#### Value

model frame for analysis

#### Note

Internal function and not called by user

#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

create.varstructure

Creates structures needed to compute abundance and variance

#### **Description**

Creates samples and obs dataframes used to compute abundance and its variance based on a structure of geographic regions and samples within each region. The intent is to generalize this routine to work with other sampling structures.

#### Usage

```
create.varstructure(model, region, sample, obs, dht.se)
```

#### **Arguments**

model	fitted ddf object
region	region table
sample	sample table

obs table of object #'s and links to sample and region table

dht.se is uncertainty going to be calculated later?

#### **Details**

The function performs the following tasks: 1)tests to make sure that region labels are unique, 2) merges sample and region tables into a samples table and issue a warning if not all samples were used, 3) if some regions have no samples or if some values of Area were not valid areas given then issue error and stop, then an error is given and the code stops, 4) creates a unique region/sample label in samples and in obs, 5) merges observations with sample and issues a warning if not all observations were used, 6) sorts regions by its label and merges the values with the predictions from the fitted model based on the object number and limits it to the data that is appropriate for the fitted detection function.

#### Value

List with 2 elements:

samples merged dataframe containing region and sample info - one record per sample obs merged observation data and links to region and samples

#### Note

Internal function called by dht

#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

ddf

Distance Detection Function Fitting

#### **Description**

Generic function for fitting detection functions for distance sampling with single and double observer configurations. Independent observer, trial and dependent observer (removal) configurations are included. This is a generic function which does little other than to validate the calling arguments and methods and then calls the appropriate method specific function to do the analysis.

# Usage

```
ddf(
  dsmodel = call(),
  mrmodel = call(),
  data,
  method = "ds",
  meta.data = list(),
  control = list(),
  call = NULL
)
```

# **Arguments**

dsmodel distance sampling model specification
mrmodel mark-recapture model specification
data dataframe containing data to be analyzed

method analysis method

meta.data list containing settings controlling data structure control list containing settings controlling model fitting

call not implemented for top level ddf function, this is set by ddf as it is passed to

the other ddf generics.

#### **Details**

The fitting code has certain expectations about data. It should be a dataframe with at least the following fields named and defined as follows:

object object number

observer observer number (1 or 2) for double observer; only 1 if single observer detected 1 if detected by the observer and 0 if missed; always 1 for single observer

distance perpendicular distance

If the data are for clustered objects, the dataframe should also contain a field named size that gives the observed number in the cluster. If the data are for a double observer survey, then there are two records for each observation and each should have the same object number. The code assumes the observations are listed in the same order for each observer such that if the data are subsetted by observer there will be the same number of records in each and each subset will be in the same object order. In addition to these predefined and pre-named fields, the dataframe can have any number and type of fields that are used as covariates in the dsmodel and mrmodel. At present, discrepancies between observations in distance, size and any user-specified covariates cannot be assimilated into the uncertainty of the estimate. The code presumes the values for those fields are the same for both records (observer=1 and observer=2) and it uses the value from observer 1. Thus it makes sense to make the values the same for both records in each pair even when both detect the object or when observer 1 doesn't detect the object the data would have to be taken from observer 2 and would not be consistent.

Five different fitting methods are currently available and these in turn define whether dsmodel and mrmodel need to be defined.

Method	Single/Double	dsmodel	mrmodel
ds	Single	yes	no
io	Double	yes	yes
io.fi	Double	no	yes
trial	Double	yes	yes
trial.fi	Double	no	yes
rem	Double	yes	yes
rem.fi	Double	no	yes

Methods with the suffix ".fi" use the assumption of full independence and do not use the distance sampling portion of the likelihood which is why a dsmodel is not needed. An mrmodel is only needed for double observer surveys and thus is not needed for method ds.

The dsmodel specifies the detection function g(y) for the distance sampling data and the models restrict g(0)=1. For single observer data g(y) is the detection function for the single observer and if it is a double observer survey it is the relative detection function (assuming g(0)=1) of both observers as a team (the unique observations from both observers). In double observer surveys, the detection function is p(y)=p(0)g(y) such that p(0)<1. The detection function g(y) is specified by dsmodel and p(0) estimated from the conditional detection functions (see mrmodel below). The value of dsmodel is specified using a hybrid formula/function notation. The model definition is prefixed with a ~ and the remainder is a function definition with specified arguments. At present there are two different functions, cds and mcds, for conventional distance sampling and multi-covariate distance sampling. Both functions have the same required arguments (key,formula). The first specifies the key function this can be half-normal ("hn"), hazard-rate ("hr"), gamma ("gamma") or uniform ("unif"). The argument formula specifies the formula for the log of the scale parameter of the key function (e.g., the equivalent of the standard deviation in the half-normal). The variable distance should not be included in the formula because the scale is for distance. See Marques, F.F.C. and S.T. Buckland (2004) for more details on the representation of the scale formula. For the hazard rate and gamma functions, an additional shape formula can be specified for the model of the shape parameter. The default will be ~1. Adjustment terms can be specified by setting adj. series which can have the values: "none", "cos" (cosine), "poly" (polynomials), and "herm" (Hermite polynomials). One must also specify a vector of orders for the adjustment terms (adj.order) and a scaling (adj. scale) which may be "width" or "scale" (for scaling by the scale parameter). Note that the uniform key can only be used with adjustments (usually cosine adjustments for a Fourier-type analysis).

The mrmodel specifies the form of the conditional detection functions (i.e.,probability it is seen by observer j given it was seen by observer 3-j) for each observer (j=1,2) in a double observer survey. The value is specified using the same mix of formula/function notation but in this case the functions are glm and gam. The arguments for the functions are formula and link. At present, only glm is allowed and it is restricted to link=logit. Thus, currently the only form for the conditional detection functions is logistic as expressed in eq 6.32 of Laake and Borchers (2004). In contrast to dsmodel, the argument formula will typically include distance and all other covariates that affect detection probability. For example, mrmodel=~glm(formula=~distance+size+sex) constructs a conditional detection function based on the logistic form with additive factors, distance, size, and sex. As another example, mrmodel=~glm(formula=~distance\*size+sex) constructs the same model with an added interaction between distance and size.

The argument meta. data is a list that enables various options about the data to be set. These options include:

point if TRUE the data are from point counts and FALSE (default) implies line transect data width distance specifying half-width of the transect

left distance specifying inner truncation value

binned TRUE or FALSE to specify whether distances should be binned for analysis

breaks if binned=TRUE, this is a required sequence of break points that are used for plotting/gof.

They should match distbegin, distend values if bins are fixed

int.range an integration range for detection probability; either a vector of 2 or matrix with 2 columns

mono constrain the detection function to be weakly monotonically decreasing (only applicable when there are no covariates in the detection function)

mono.strict when TRUE constrain the detection function to be strictly monotonically decreasing (again, only applicable when there are no covariates in the detection function)

Using meta.data=list(int.range=c(1,10)) is the same as meta.data=list(left=1,width=10). If meta.data=list(binned=TRUE) is used, the dataframe needs to contain the fields distbegin and distend for each observation which specify the left and right hand end points of the distance interval containing the observation. This is a general data structure that allows the intervals to change rather than being fixed as in the standard distance analysis tools. Typically, if the intervals are changing so is the integration range. For example, assume that distance bins are generated using fixed angular measurements from an aircraft in which the altitude is varying. Because all analyses are truncated (i.e., the last interval does not go to infinity), the transect width (and the left truncation point if there is a blindspot below the aircraft) can potentially change for each observation. The argument int.range can also be entered as a matrix with 2 columns (left and width) and a row for each observation.

The argument control is a list that enables various analysis options to be set. It is not necessary to set any of these for most analyses. They were provided so the user can optionally see intermediate fitting output and to control fitting if the algorithm doesn't converge which happens infrequently. The list values include:

showit Integer (0-3, default 0) controls the (increasing)amount of information printed during fitting. 0 - none, >=1 - information about refitting and bound changes is printed, >=2 - information about adjustment term fitting is printed, ==3 -per-iteration parameter estimates and log-likelihood printed.

estimate if FALSE fits model but doesn't estimate predicted probabilities

refit if TRUE the algorithm will attempt multiple optimizations at different starting values if it doesn't converge

nrefits number of refitting attempts

initial a named list of starting values for the dsmodel parameters (e.g. \$scale, \$shape, \$adjustment)

lowerbounds a vector of lowerbounds for the dsmodel parameters in the order the ds parameters will appear in the par element of the ddf object, i.e. fit.ddf\$par where fit.ddf is a fitted ddf model.

upperbounds a vector of upperbounds for the dsmodel parameters in the order the ds parameters will appear in the par element of the ddf object, i.e. fit.ddf\$par where fit.ddf is a fitted ddf model.

limit if TRUE restrict analysis to observations with detected=1

debug if TRUE, if fitting fails, return an object with fitting information

nofit if TRUE don't fit a model, but use the starting values and generate an object based on those values

optimx.method one (or a vector of) string(s) giving the optimisation method to use. If more than one is supplied, the results from one are used as the starting values for the next. See optimx

optimx.maxit maximum number of iterations to use in the optimisation.

mono.random.start By default when monotonicity constraints are enforced, a grid of starting values are tested. Instead random starting values can be used (uniformly distributed between the upper and lower bounds). Set TRUE for random start, FALSE (default) uses the grid method

mono.method The optimiser method to be used when (strict) monotonicity is enforced. Can be either slsqp or solnp. Default slsqp.

- mono.startvals Controls if the mono.optimiser should find better starting values by first fitting a key function without adjustments, and then use those start values for the key function parameters when fitting the key + adjustment series detection function. Defaults to FALSE
- mono.outer.iter Number of outer iterations to be used by solnp when fitting a monotonic model and solnp is selected. Default 200.
- silent silences warnings within ds fitting method (helpful for running many times without generating many warning/error messages).
- optimizer By default this is set to 'both' for single observer analyses and 'R' for double observer analyses. For single observer analyses where optimizer = 'both', the R optimizer will be used and if present the MCDS optimizer will also be used. The result with the best likelihood value will be selected. To run only a specified optimizer set this value to either 'R' or 'MCDS'. The MCDS optimizer cannot currently be used for detection function fitting with double observer analyses. See mcds\_dot\_exe for more information.
- winebin Location of the wine binary used to run MCDS.exe. See mcds\_dot\_exe for more information.

Examples of distance sampling analyses are available at https://examples.distancesampling.org/.

Hints and tips on fitting (particularly optimisation issues) are on the mrds\_opt manual page.

# Value

model object of class=(method, "ddf")

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake

#### References

Laake, J.L. and D.L. Borchers. 2004. Methods for incomplete detection at distance zero. In: Advanced Distance Sampling, eds. S.T. Buckland, D.R.Anderson, K.P. Burnham, J.L. Laake, D.L. Borchers, and L. Thomas. Oxford University Press.

Marques, F.F.C. and S.T. Buckland. 2004. Covariate models for the detection function. In: Advanced Distance Sampling, eds. S.T. Buckland, D.R.Anderson, K.P. Burnham, J.L. Laake, D.L. Borchers, and L. Thomas. Oxford University Press.

#### See Also

```
ddf.ds, ddf.io, ddf.io.fi, ddf.trial, ddf.trial.fi, ddf.rem, ddf.rem.fi, mrds_opt
```

#### **Examples**

```
# load data
data(book.tee.data)
region <- book.tee.data$book.tee.region</pre>
egdata <- book.tee.data$book.tee.dataframe
samples <- book.tee.data$book.tee.samples</pre>
obs <- book.tee.data$book.tee.obs
# fit a half-normal detection function
result <- ddf(dsmodel=~mcds(key="hn", formula=~1), data=egdata, method="ds",
              meta.data=list(width=4))
# fit an independent observer model with full independence
result.io.fi <- ddf(mrmodel=~glm(~distance), data=egdata, method="io.fi",
                    meta.data=list(width = 4))
# fit an independent observer model with point independence
result.io <- ddf(dsmodel=~cds(key = "hn"), mrmodel=~glm(~distance),
                 data=egdata, method="io", meta.data=list(width=4))
## Not run:
# simulated single observer point count data (see ?ptdata.single)
data(ptdata.single)
ptdata.single$distbegin <- (as.numeric(cut(ptdata.single$distance,</pre>
                             10*(0:10)))-1)*10
ptdata.single$distend <- (as.numeric(cut(ptdata.single$distance,</pre>
                           10*(0:10))))*10
model <- ddf(data=ptdata.single, dsmodel=~cds(key="hn"),</pre>
             meta.data=list(point=TRUE,binned=TRUE,breaks=10*(0:10)))
summary(model)
plot(model,main="Single observer binned point data - half normal")
model <- ddf(data=ptdata.single, dsmodel=~cds(key="hr"),</pre>
             meta.data=list(point=TRUE, binned=TRUE, breaks=10*(0:10)))
summary(model)
plot(model, main="Single observer binned point data - hazard rate")
dev.new()
# simulated double observer point count data (see ?ptdata.dual)
# setup data
data(ptdata.dual)
ptdata.dual$distbegin <- (as.numeric(cut(ptdata.dual$distance,</pre>
                           10*(0:10)))-1)*10
ptdata.dual$distend <- (as.numeric(cut(ptdata.dual$distance,</pre>
                         10*(0:10))))*10
model <- ddf(method="io", data=ptdata.dual, dsmodel=~cds(key="hn"),</pre>
```

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CDS/MCDS Distance Detection Function Fitting

#### **Description**

Fits a conventional distance sampling (CDS) (likelihood eq 6.6 in Laake and Borchers 2004) or multi-covariate distance sampling (MCDS)(likelihood eq 6.14 in Laake and Borchers 2004) model for the detection function of observed distance data. It only uses key functions and does not incorporate adjustment functions as in CDS/MCDS analysis engines in DISTANCE (Marques and Buckland 2004). Distance can be grouped (binned), ungrouped (unbinned) or mixture of the two. This function is not called directly by the user and is called from ddf,ddf.io, or ddf.trial.

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ds'
ddf(
   dsmodel,
   mrmodel = NULL,
   data,
   method = "ds",
   meta.data = list(),
   control = list(),
   call
)
```

# **Arguments**

dsmodel

model list with key function and scale formula if any

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mrmodel	not used
data	data.frame; see ddf for details
method	analysis method; only needed if this function called from ${\tt ddf.io}$ or ${\tt ddf.trial}$
meta.data	list containing settings controlling data structure
control	list containing settings controlling model fitting
call	original function call if this function not called directly from ddf (e.g., called

via ddf.io)

#### **Details**

For a complete description of each of the calling arguments, see ddf. The argument model in this function is the same as dsmodel in ddf. The argument dataname is the name of the dataframe specified by the argument data in ddf. The arguments control,meta.data,and method are defined the same as in ddf.

#### Value

result: a ds model object

#### Note

If mixture of binned and unbinned distance, width must be set to be >= largest interval endpoint; this could be changed with a more complicated analysis; likewise, if all binned and bins overlap, the above must also hold; if bins don't overlap, width must be one of the interval endpoints; same holds for left truncation Although the mixture analysis works in principle it has not been tested via simulation.

#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

#### References

Laake, J.L. and D.L. Borchers. 2004. Methods for incomplete detection at distance zero. In: Advanced Distance Sampling, eds. S.T. Buckland, D.R. Anderson, K.P. Burnham, J.L. Laake, D.L. Borchers, and L. Thomas. Oxford University Press.

Marques, F.F.C. and S.T. Buckland. 2004. Covariate models for the detection function. In: Advanced Distance Sampling, eds. S.T. Buckland, D.R. Anderson, K.P. Burnham, J.L. Laake, D.L. Borchers, and L. Thomas. Oxford University Press.

#### See Also

flnl, summary.ds, coef.ds, plot.ds,gof.ds

ddf.gof

#### **Examples**

ddf.gof

Goodness of fit tests for distance sampling models

# Description

Generic function that computes chi-square goodness of fit test for detection function models with binned data and Cramer-von Mises and Kolmogorov-Smirnov (if ks=TRUE)tests for exact distance data. By default a Q-Q plot is generated for exact data (and can be suppressed using the qq=FALSE argument).

# Usage

```
ddf.gof(
  model,
  breaks = NULL,
  nc = NULL,
  qq = TRUE,
  nboot = 100,
  ks = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

#### **Arguments**

model	model object
breaks	Cutpoints to use for binning data
nc	Number of distance classes
qq	Flag to indicate whether quantile-quantile plot is desired

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nboot number of replicates to use to calculate p-values for the Kolmogorov-Smirnov

goodness of fit test statistics

ks perform the Kolmogorov-Smirnov test (this involves many bootstraps so can

take a while)

... Graphics parameters to pass into applot function

#### **Details**

Formal goodness of fit testing for detection function models using Kolmogorov-Smirnov and Cramervon Mises tests. Both tests are based on looking at the quantile-quantile plot produced by qqplot.ddf and deviations from the line x=y.

The Kolmogorov-Smirnov test asks the question "what's the largest vertical distance between a point and the y=x line?" It uses this distance as a statistic to test the null hypothesis that the samples (EDF and CDF in our case) are from the same distribution (and hence our model fits well). If the deviation between the y=x line and the points is too large we reject the null hypothesis and say the model doesn't have a good fit.

Rather than looking at the single biggest difference between the y=x line and the points in the Q-Q plot, we might prefer to think about all the differences between line and points, since there may be many smaller differences that we want to take into account rather than looking for one large deviation. Its null hypothesis is the same, but the statistic it uses is the sum of the deviations from each of the point to the line. Note that a bootstrap procedure is required for the Kolmogorov-Smirnov test to ensure that the p-values from the procedure are correct as the we are comparing the cumulative distribution function (CDF) and empirical distribution function (EDF) and we have estimated the parameters of the detection function. The nboot parameter controls the number of bootstraps to use. Set to 0 to avoid computing bootstraps (much faster but with no Kolmogorov-Smirnov results, of course).

One can change the precision of printed values by using the print.ddf.gof method's digits argument.

#### Value

List of class ddf.gof containing

chi-square Goodness of fit test statistic

df Degrees of freedom associated with test statistic

p-value Significance level of test statistic

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake

#### See Also

qqplot.ddf

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Mark-Recapture Distance Sampling (MRDS) IO - PI

#### **Description**

Mark-Recapture Distance Sampling (MRDS) Analysis of Independent Observer Configuration and Point Independence

# Usage

```
## $3 method for class 'io'
ddf(
    dsmodel,
    mrmodel,
    data,
    method = NULL,
    meta.data = list(),
    control = list(),
    call = ""
)
```

#### **Arguments**

distance sampling model specification; model list with key function and scale

formula if any

mrmodel mark-recapture model specification; model list with formula and link

data analysis dataframe

method not used

meta.data list containing settings controlling data structure control list containing settings controlling model fitting

call original function call used to call ddf

#### **Details**

MRDS analysis based on point independence involves two separate and independent analyses of the mark-recapture data and the distance sampling data. For the independent observer configuration, the mark-recapture data are analysed with a call to ddf.io.fi (see likelihood eq 6.8 and 6.16 in Laake and Borchers 2004) to fit conditional distance sampling detection functions to estimate p(0), detection probability at distance zero for the independent observer team based on independence at zero (eq 6.22 in Laake and Borchers 2004). Independently, the distance data, the union of the observations from the independent observers, are used to fit a conventional distance sampling (CDS) (likelihood eq 6.6) or multi-covariate distance sampling (MCDS) (likelihood eq 6.14) model for the detection function, g(y), such that g(0)=1. The detection function for the observer team is then created as p(y)=p(0)\*g(y) (eq 6.28 of Laake and Borchers 2004) from which predictions are made. ddf.io is not called directly by the user and is called from ddf with method="io".

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For a complete description of each of the calling arguments, see ddf. The argument dataname is the name of the dataframe specified by the argument data in ddf. The arguments dsmodel, mrmodel, control and meta.data are defined the same as in ddf.

#### Value

result: an io model object which is composed of io.fi and ds model objects

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake

#### References

Laake, J.L. and D.L. Borchers. 2004. Methods for incomplete detection at distance zero. In: Advanced Distance Sampling, eds. S.T. Buckland, D.R.Anderson, K.P. Burnham, J.L. Laake, D.L. Borchers, and L. Thomas. Oxford University Press.

#### See Also

```
ddf.io.fi, ddf.ds,summary.io,coef.io,plot.io, gof.io
```

ddf.io.fi

Mark-Recapture Distance Sampling (MRDS) IO - FI

# **Description**

Mark-Recapture Analysis of Independent Observer Configuration with Full Independence

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'io.fi'
ddf(
   dsmodel = NULL,
   mrmodel,
   data,
   method,
   meta.data = list(),
   control = list(),
   call = ""
)
```

ddf.io.fi

#### **Arguments**

dsmodel not used

mrmodel mark-recapture model specification

data analysis dataframe

method analysis method; only needed if this function called from ddf.io

meta.data list containing settings controlling data structure control list containing settings controlling model fitting

call original function call used to call ddf

#### **Details**

The mark-recapture data derived from an independent observer distance sampling survey can be used to derive conditional detection functions  $(p_j(y))$  for both observers (j=1,2). They are conditional detection functions because detection probability for observer j is based on seeing or not seeing observations made by observer 3-j. Thus,  $p_1(y)$  is estimated by  $p_1(y)$ .

If detections by the observers are independent (full independence) then  $p_1(y)=p_1(2(y),p_2(y))=p_2(1(y))$  and for the union, full independence means that  $p(y)=p_1(y)+p_2(y)-p_1(y)*p_2(y)$  for each distance y. In fitting the detection functions the likelihood given by eq 6.8 and 6.16 in Laake and Borchers (2004) is used. That analysis does not require the usual distance sampling assumption that perpendicular distances are uniformly distributed based on line placement that is random relative to animal distribution. However, that assumption is used in computing predicted detection probability which is averaged based on a uniform distribution (see eq 6.11 of Laake and Borchers 2004).

For a complete description of each of the calling arguments, see ddf. The argument model in this function is the same as mrmodel in ddf. The argument dataname is the name of the dataframe specified by the argument data in ddf. The arguments control,meta.data,and method are defined the same as in ddf.

#### Value

result: an io.fi model object

#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

#### References

Laake, J.L. and D.L. Borchers. 2004. Methods for incomplete detection at distance zero. In: Advanced Distance Sampling, eds. S.T. Buckland, D.R.Anderson, K.P. Burnham, J.L. Laake, D.L. Borchers, and L. Thomas. Oxford University Press.

#### See Also

```
ddf.io,summary.io.fi,coef.io.fi,plot.io.fi,gof.io.fi,io.glm
```

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Mark-Recapture Distance Sampling (MRDS) Removal - PI

### **Description**

Mark-Recapture Distance Sampling (MRDS) Analysis of Removal Observer Configuration and Point Independence

# Usage

```
## $3 method for class 'rem'
ddf(
   dsmodel,
   mrmodel,
   data,
   method = NULL,
   meta.data = list(),
   control = list(),
   call = ""
)
```

# **Arguments**

distance sampling model specification; model list with key function and scale

formula if any

mrmodel mark-recapture model specification; model list with formula and link

data analysis dataframe

method not used

meta.data list containing settings controlling data structure control list containing settings controlling model fitting

call original function call used to call ddf

#### **Details**

MRDS analysis based on point independence involves two separate and independent analyses of the mark-recapture data and the distance sampling data. For the removal observer configuration, the mark-recapture data are analysed with a call to ddf.rem.fi (see Laake and Borchers 2004) to fit conditional distance sampling detection functions to estimate p(0), detection probability at distance zero for the primary observer based on independence at zero (eq 6.22 in Laake and Borchers 2004). Independently, the distance data, the observations from the primary observer, are used to fit a conventional distance sampling (CDS) (likelihood eq 6.6) or multi-covariate distance sampling (MCDS) (likelihood eq 6.14) model for the detection function, g(y), such that g(0)=1. The detection function for the primary observer is then created as p(y)=p(0)\*g(y) (eq 6.28 of Laake and Borchers 2004) from which predictions are made. ddf.rem is not called directly by the user and is called from ddf with method="rem".

ddf.rem.fi

For a complete description of each of the calling arguments, see ddf. The argument data is the dataframe specified by the argument data in ddf. The arguments dsmodel, mrmodel, control and meta.data are defined the same as in ddf.

#### Value

result: an rem model object which is composed of rem.fi and ds model objects

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake

#### References

Laake, J.L. and D.L. Borchers. 2004. Methods for incomplete detection at distance zero. In: Advanced Distance Sampling, eds. S.T. Buckland, D.R.Anderson, K.P. Burnham, J.L. Laake, D.L. Borchers, and L. Thomas. Oxford University Press.

### See Also

```
ddf.rem.fi,ddf.ds
```

ddf.rem.fi

Mark-Recapture Distance Sampling (MRDS) Removal - FI

# Description

Mark-Recapture Distance Sampling (MRDS) Analysis of Removal Observer Configuration with Full Independence

# Usage

```
## $3 method for class 'rem.fi'
ddf(
   dsmodel = NULL,
   mrmodel,
   data,
   method,
   meta.data = list(),
   control = list(),
   call = ""
)
```

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### Arguments

dsmodel not used

mrmodel mark-recapture model specification

data analysis dataframe

method analysis method; only needed if this function called from ddf.io

meta.data list containing settings controlling data structure control list containing settings controlling model fitting

call original function call used to call ddf

#### **Details**

The mark-recapture data derived from an removal observer distance sampling survey can only derive conditional detection functions  $(p_{j}(y))$  for both observers (j=1) because technically it assumes that detection probability does not vary by occasion (observer in this case). It is a conditional detection function because detection probability for observer 1 is conditional on the observations seen by either of the observers. Thus,  $p_{j}(y)$  is estimated by  $p_{j}(y)$ .

If detections by the observers are independent (full independence) then  $p_1(y)=p_1(y)$  and for the union, full independence means that  $p(y)=p_1(y)+p_2(y)-p_1(y)*p_2(y)$  for each distance y. In fitting the detection functions the likelihood from Laake and Borchers (2004) are used. That analysis does not require the usual distance sampling assumption that perpendicular distances are uniformly distributed based on line placement that is random relative to animal distribution. However, that assumption is used in computing predicted detection probability which is averaged based on a uniform distribution (see eq 6.11 of Laake and Borchers 2004).

For a complete description of each of the calling arguments, see ddf. The argument model in this function is the same as mrmodel in ddf. The argument dataname is the name of the dataframe specified by the argument data in ddf. The arguments control,meta.data,and method are defined the same as in ddf.

#### Value

result: an rem.fi model object

#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

## References

Laake, J.L. and D.L. Borchers. 2004. Methods for incomplete detection at distance zero. In: Advanced Distance Sampling, eds. S.T. Buckland, D.R.Anderson, K.P. Burnham, J.L. Laake, D.L. Borchers, and L. Thomas. Oxford University Press.

#### See Also

ddf.io,rem.glm

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Mark-Recapture Distance Sampling (MRDS) Trial Configuration - PI

#### **Description**

Mark-Recapture Distance Sampling (MRDS) Analysis of Trial Observer Configuration and Point Independence

# Usage

```
## $3 method for class 'trial'
ddf(
   dsmodel,
   mrmodel,
   data,
   method = NULL,
   meta.data = list(),
   control = list(),
   call = ""
)
```

# **Arguments**

dsmodel distance sampling model specification; model list with key function and scale

formula if any

mrmodel mark-recapture model specification; model list with formula and link

data analysis data.frame

method not used

meta.data list containing settings controlling data structure control list containing settings controlling model fitting

call original function call used to call ddf

#### **Details**

MRDS analysis based on point independence involves two separate and independent analyses of the mark-recapture data and the distance sampling data. For the trial configuration, the mark-recapture data are analysed with a call to ddf.trial.fi (see likelihood eq 6.12 and 6.17 in Laake and Borchers 2004) to fit a conditional distance sampling detection function for observer 1 based on trials (observations) from observer 2 to estimate  $p_1(0)$ , detection probability at distance zero for observer 1. Independently, the distance data from observer 1 are used to fit a conventional distance sampling (CDS) (likelihood eq 6.6) or multi-covariate distance sampling (MCDS) (likelihood eq 6.14) model for the detection function, g(y), such that g(0)=1. The detection function for observer 1 is then created as  $p_1(y)=p_1(0)*g(y)$  (eq 6.28 of Laake and Borchers 2004) from which predictions are made. ddf.trial is not called directly by the user and is called from ddf with method="trial".

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For a complete description of each of the calling arguments, see ddf. The argument dataname is the name of the dataframe specified by the argument data in ddf. The arguments dsmodel, mrmodel, control and meta.data are defined the same as in ddf.

### Value

result: a trial model object which is composed of trial. fi and ds model objects

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake

#### References

Laake, J.L. and D.L. Borchers. 2004. Methods for incomplete detection at distance zero. In: Advanced Distance Sampling, eds. S.T. Buckland, D.R.Anderson, K.P. Burnham, J.L. Laake, D.L. Borchers, and L. Thomas. Oxford University Press.

#### See Also

```
ddf.trial.fi, ddf.ds, summary.trial, coef.trial, plot.trial, gof.trial
```

ddf.trial.fi

Mark-Recapture Analysis of Trial Configuration - FI

# **Description**

Mark-Recapture Analysis of Trial Observer Configuration with Full Independence

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'trial.fi'
ddf(
  dsmodel = NULL,
  mrmodel,
  data,
  method,
  meta.data = list(),
  control = list(),
  call = ""
)
```

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### **Arguments**

dsmodel not used

mrmodel mark-recapture model specification

data analysis dataframe

method analysis method; only needed if this function called from ddf.trial

meta.data list containing settings controlling data structure control list containing settings controlling model fitting

call original function call used to call ddf

#### **Details**

The mark-recapture data derived from a trial observer distance sampling survey can be used to derive a conditional detection function  $(p_1(y))$  for observer 1 based on trials (observations) from observer 2. It is a conditional detection function because detection probability for observer 1 is based on seeing or not seeing observations made by observer 2. Thus,  $p_1(y)$  is estimated by  $p_1(y)$ . If detections by the observers are independent (full independence) then  $p_1(y)=p_1(y)$  for each distance y. In fitting the detection functions the likelihood given by eq 6.12 or 6.17 in Laake and Borchers (2004) is used. That analysis does not require the usual distance sampling assumption that perpendicular distances are uniformly distributed based on line placement that is random relative to animal distribution. However, that assumption is used in computing predicted detection probability which is averaged based on a uniform distribution (see eq 6.13 of Laake and Borchers 2004).

For a complete description of each of the calling arguments, see ddf. The argument model in this function is the same as mrmodel in ddf. The argument dataname is the name of the dataframe specified by the argument data in ddf. The arguments control,meta.data,and method are defined the same as in ddf.

#### Value

result: a trial.fi model object

## Author(s)

Jeff Laake

#### References

Laake, J.L. and D.L. Borchers. 2004. Methods for incomplete detection at distance zero. In: Advanced Distance Sampling, eds. S.T. Buckland, D.R.Anderson, K.P. Burnham, J.L. Laake, D.L. Borchers, and L. Thomas. Oxford University Press.

### See Also

```
ddf.trial, summary.trial.fi, coef.trial.fi, plot.trial.fi, gof.trial.fi
```

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DeltaMethod Numeric Delta Method approximation for the variance-covariance matrix	e
matrix	

### Description

Computes delta method variance-covariance matrix of results of any generic function fct that computes a vector of estimates as a function of a set of estimated parameters par.

# Usage

```
DeltaMethod(par, fct, vcov, delta, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

par	vector of parameter values at which estimates should be constructed
fct	function that constructs estimates from parameters par
vcov	variance-covariance matrix of the parameters
delta	proportional change in parameters used to numerically estimate first derivative with central-difference formula (ignored)
	any additional arguments needed by fct

#### **Details**

The delta method (aka propagation of errors is based on Taylor series approximation - see Seber's book on Estimation of Animal Abundance). It uses the first derivative of fct with respect to par. It also uses the variance-covariance matrix of the estimated parameters which is derived in estimating the parameters and is an input argument.

The first argument of fct should be par which is a vector of parameter estimates. It should return a single value (or vector) of estimate(s). The remaining arguments of fct if any can be passed to fct by including them at the end of the call to DeltaMethod as name=value pairs.

# Value

a list with values

variance estimated variance-covariance matrix of estimates derived by fct

partial matrix (or vector) of partial derivatives of fct with respect to the parameters

par

## Note

This is a generic function that can be used in any setting beyond the mrds package. However this is an internal function for mrds and the user does not need to call it explicitly.

### Author(s)

Jeff Laake and David L Miller

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det.tables	Observation detection tables

# **Description**

Creates a series of tables for dual observer data that shows the number missed and detected for each observer within defined distance classes.

### Usage

```
det.tables(model, nc = NULL, breaks = NULL)
```

### **Arguments**

model fitted model from ddf

nc number of equal-width bins for histogram

breaks user define breakpoints

### Value

list object of class "det.tables"

Observer1 table for observer 1
Observer2 table for observer 2

Duplicates histogram counts for duplicates

Pooled histogram counts for all observations by either observer 0bs1\_2 table for observer 1 within subset seen by observer 2 0bs2\_1 table for observer 2 within subset seen by observer 1

### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

# Examples

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detfct.fit

Fit detection function using key-adjustment functions

# **Description**

Fit detection function to observed distances using the key-adjustment function approach. If adjustment functions are included it will alternate between fitting parameters of key and adjustment functions and then all parameters much like the approach in the CDS and MCDS Distance FORTRAN code. To do so it calls detfct.fit.opt which uses the R optim function which does not allow non-linear constraints so inclusion of adjustments does allow the detection function to be non-monotone.

#### Usage

```
detfct.fit(ddfobj, optim.options, bounds, misc.options)
```

# **Arguments**

ddfobj detection function object
optim.options control options for optim
bounds bounds for the parameters
misc.options miscellaneous options

#### Value

fitted detection function model object with the following list structure

par final parameter vector

value final negative log likelihood value counts number of function evaluations

convergence see codes in optim

message string about convergence

hessian evaluated at final parameter values

aux a list with 20 elements

- maxit: maximum number of iterations allowed for optimization
- lower: lower bound values for parameters
- upper: upper bound values for parameters
- setlower: TRUE if they are user set bounds
- setupper: TRUE if they are user set bounds
- point: TRUE if point counts and FALSE if line transect
- int.range: integration range values
- showit: integer value that determines information printed during iteration
- silent: option to silence errors from detfct.fit.opt

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- integral.numeric if TRUE compute logistic integrals numerically
- breaks: breaks in distance for defined fixed bins for analysis
- · maxiter: maximum iterations used
- refit: if TRUE, detection function will be fitted more than once if parameters are at a boundary or when convergence is not achieved
- nrefits: number of refittings
- mono: if TRUE monotonicity will be enforced
- mono.strict: if TRUE, then strict monotonicity is enforced; otherwise weak
- width: radius of point count or half-width of strip
- standardize: if TRUE, detection function is scaled so g(0)=1
- ddfobj: distance detection function object; see create.ddfobj
- bounded: TRUE if parameters ended up a boundary (I think)
- model: list of formulas for detection function model (probably can remove this)

### Author(s)

Dave Miller; Jeff Laake

detfct.fit.opt

Fit detection function using key-adjustment functions

# Description

Fit detection function to observed distances using the key-adjustment function approach. If adjustment functions are included it will alternate between fitting parameters of key and adjustment functions and then all parameters much like the approach in the CDS and MCDS Distance FORTRAN code. This function is called by the driver function detfct.fit, it then calls the relevant optimisation routine, slsqp, solnp or optimx.

## Usage

```
detfct.fit.opt(ddfobj, optim.options, bounds, misc.options, fitting = "all")
```

# Arguments

ddfobj detection function object optim.options control options for optim bounds bounds for the parameters misc.options miscellaneous options

fitting character string with values "all", "key", "adjust" to determine which parameters

are allowed to vary in the fitting

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#### Value

fitted detection function model object with the following list structure

par final parameter vector

value final negative log likelihood value counts number of function evaluations

convergence see codes in optim

message string about convergence

hessian hessian evaluated at final parameter values

a list with 20 elements

• maxit: maximum number of iterations allowed for optimization

• lower: lower bound values for parameters

• upper: upper bound values for parameters

• setlower: TRUE if they are user set bounds

• setupper: TRUE if they are user set bounds

• point: TRUE if point counts and FALSE if line transect

• int.range: integration range values

• showit: integer value that determines information printed during iteration

• integral.numeric if TRUE compute logistic integrals numerically

• breaks: breaks in distance for defined fixed bins for analysis

· maxiter: maximum iterations used

• refit: if TRUE, detection function will be fitted more than once if parameters are at a boundary or when convergence is not achieved

• nrefits: number of refittings

• mono: if TRUE, monotonicity will be enforced

• mono.strict: if TRUE, then strict monotonicity is enforced; otherwise weak

• width: radius of point count or half-width of strip

• standardize: if TRUE, detection function is scaled so g(0)=1

• ddfobj: distance detection function object; see create.ddfobj

• bounded: TRUE if estimated parameters are at the bounds

 model: list of formulas for detection function model (probably can remove this)

# Author(s)

Dave Miller; Jeff Laake; Lorenzo Milazzo; Felix Petersma

dht

Density and abundance estimates and variances

### **Description**

Compute density and abundance estimates and variances based on Horvitz-Thompson-like estimator.

# Usage

```
dht(
  model,
  region.table,
  sample.table,
  obs.table = NULL,
  subset = NULL,
  se = TRUE,
  options = list()
)
```

# Arguments

model	ddf model object
region.table	data.frame of region records. Two columns: Region.Label and Area. If only density is required, one can set Area=0 for all regions.
sample.table	${\tt data.frame\ of\ sample\ records.\ Three\ columns:\ Region.Label,\ Sample.Label,\ Effort.}$
obs.table	data.frame of observation records with fields: object, Region.Label, and Sample.Label which give links to sample.table, region.table and the data records used in model. Not necessary if the data.frame used to create the model contains Region.Label, Sample.Label columns.
subset	subset statement to create obs.table
se	if TRUE computes standard errors, coefficient of variation and confidence intervals (based on log-normal approximation). See "Uncertainty" below.
options	a list of options that can be set, see "dht options", below.

### **Details**

Density and abundance within the sampled region is computed based on a Horvitz-Thompson-like estimator for groups and individuals (if a clustered population) and this is extrapolated to the entire survey region based on any defined regional stratification. The variance is based on replicate samples within any regional stratification. For clustered populations, E(s) and its standard error are also output.

Abundance is estimated with a Horvitz-Thompson-like estimator (Huggins 1989, 1991; Borchers et al 1998; Borchers and Burnham 2004). The abundance in the sampled region is simply  $1/p_1$  +

 $1/p_2+\ldots+1/p_n$  where  $p_i$  is the estimated detection probability for the ith detection of n total observations. It is not strictly a Horvitz-Thompson estimator because the  $p_i$  are estimated and not known. For animals observed in tight clusters, that estimator gives the abundance of groups (group=TRUE in options) and the abundance of individuals is estimated as  $s_1/p_1+s_2/p_2+\ldots+s_n/p_n$ , where  $s_i$  is the size (e.g., number of animals in the group) of each observation (group=FALSE in options).

Extrapolation and estimation of abundance to the entire survey region is based on either a random sampling design or a stratified random sampling design. Replicate samples (lines) are specified within regional strata region.table, if any. If there is no stratification, region.table should contain only a single record with the Area for the entire survey region. The sample.table is linked to the region.table with the Region.Label. The obs.table is linked to the sample.table with the Sample.Label and Region.Label. Abundance can be restricted to a subset (e.g., for a particular species) of the population by limiting the list the observations in obs.table to those in the desired subset. Alternatively, if Sample.Label and Region.Label are in the data.frame used to fit the model, then a subset argument can be given in place of the obs.table. To use the subset argument but include all of the observations, use subset=1==1 to avoid creating an obs.table.

In extrapolating to the entire survey region it is important that the unit measurements be consistent or converted for consistency. A conversion factor can be specified with the convert.units variable in the options list. The values of Area in region table, must be made consistent with the units for Effort in sample.table and the units of distance in the data.frame that was analyzed. It is easiest to do if the units of Area is the square of the units of Effort and then it is only necessary to convert the units of distance to the units of Effort. For example, if Effort was entered in kilometres and Area in square kilometres and distance in metres then using options=list(convert.units=0.001) would convert metres to kilometres, density would be expressed in square kilometres which would then be consistent with units for Area. However, they can all be in different units as long as the appropriate composite value for convert.units is chosen. Abundance for a survey region can be expressed as: A\*N/a where A is Area for the survey region, N is the abundance in the covered (sampled) region, and a is the area of the sampled region and is in units of Effort \* distance. The sampled region a is multiplied by convert.units, so it should be chosen such that the result is in the same units of Area. For example, if Effort was entered in kilometres, Area in hectares (100m x 100m) and distance in metres, then using options=list(convert.units=10) will convert a to units of hectares (100 to convert metres to 100 metres for distance and .1 to convert km to 100m units).

The argument options is a list of variable=value pairs that set options for the analysis. All but two of these have been described above. pdelta should not need to be changed but was included for completeness. It controls the precision of the first derivative calculation for the delta method variance. If the option areas.supplied is TRUE then the covered area is assumed to be supplied in the CoveredArea column of the sample data.frame.

#### Value

list object of class dht with elements:

clusters result list for object clusters individuals result list for individuals

Expected.S data.frame of estimates of expected cluster size with fields Region, Expected.S

and se.Expected.S If each cluster size=1, then the result only includes indi-

viduals and not clusters and Expected. S.

The list structure of clusters and individuals are the same:

by sample data. frame giving results for each sample; Nchat is the estimated abundance

within the sample and Nhat is scaled by surveyed area/covered area within that

region

summary data. frame of summary statistics for each region and total

N data.frame of estimates of abundance for each region and total

D data. frame of estimates of density for each region and total

average.p average detection probability estimate

cormat correlation matrix of regional abundance/density estimates and total (if more

than one region)

vc list of 3: total variance-covariance matrix, detection function component of vari-

ance and encounter rate component of variance. For detection the v-c matrix and

partial vector are returned

Nhat.by.sample another summary of Nhat by sample used by dht.se

#### Uncertainty

If the argument se=TRUE, standard errors for density and abundance is computed. Coefficient of variation and log-normal confidence intervals are constructed using a Satterthwaite approximation for degrees of freedom (Buckland et al. 2001 p. 90). The function dht.se computes the variance and interval estimates.

The variance has two components:

- variation due to uncertainty from estimation of the detection function parameters;
- variation in abundance due to random sample selection;

The first component (model parameter uncertainty) is computed using a delta method estimate of variance (Huggins 1989, 1991, Borchers et al. 1998) in which the first derivatives of the abundance estimator with respect to the parameters in the detection function are computed numerically (see DeltaMethod).

The second component (encounter rate variance) can be computed in one of several ways depending on the form taken for the encounter rate and the estimator used. To begin with there three possible values for varflag to calculate encounter rate:

- 0 uses a binomial variance for the number of observations (equation 13 of Borchers et al. 1998). This estimator is only useful if the sampled region is the survey region and the objects are not clustered; this situation will not occur very often;
- 1 uses the encounter rate n/L (objects observed per unit transect) from Buckland et al. (2001) pg 78-79 (equation 3.78) for line transects (see also Fewster et al, 2009 estimator R2). This variance estimator is not appropriate if size or a derivative of size is used in the detection function;
- 2 is the default and uses the encounter rate estimator  $\hat{N}/L$  (estimated abundance per unit transect) suggested by Innes et al (2002) and Marques & Buckland (2004).

In general if any covariates are used in the models, the default varflag=2 is preferable as the estimated abundance will take into account variability due to covariate effects. If the population is clustered the mean group size and standard error is also reported.

For options 1 and 2, it is then possible to choose one of the estimator forms given in Fewster et al (2009) for line transects: "R2", "R3", "R4", "S1", "S2", "01", "02" or "03" by specifying the ervar= option (default "R2"). For points, either the "P2" or "P3" estimator can be selected (>=mrds 2.3.0 default "P2", <= mrds 2.2.9 default "P3"). See varn and Fewster et al (2009) for further details on these estimators.

### dht options

Several options are available to control calculations and output:

ci.width Confidence interval width, expressed as a decimal between 0 and 1 (default 0.95, giving a 95% CI)

pdelta delta value for computing numerical first derivatives (Default: 0.001)

varflag 0,1,2 (see "Uncertainty") (Default: 2)

convert.units multiplier for width to convert to units of length (Default: 1)

ervar encounter rate variance type (see "Uncertainty" and type argument of varn). (Default: "R2" for lines and "P2" for points)

#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake, David L Miller

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# See Also

print.dht dht.se

dht.deriv Computes abundance estimates at specified Horvitz-Thompson-like estimator	parameter values using
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# Description

Computes abundance at specified values of parameters for numerical computation of first derivative with respect to parameters in detection function. An internal function called by DeltaMethod which is invoked by dht.se

# Usage

```
dht.deriv(par, model, obs, samples, options = list())
```

# **Arguments**

par detection function parameter values

model ddf model object
obs observations table
samples samples table

options list of options as specified in dht

### Value

vector of abundance estimates at values of parameters specified in par

### Note

Internal function; not intended to be called by user

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake

# See Also

```
dht, dht.se, DeltaMethod
```

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dht.se	Variance and confidence intervals for density and abundance esti-
	mates

### **Description**

Computes standard error, cv, and log-normal confidence intervals for abundance and density within each region (if any) and for the total of all the regions. It also produces the correlation matrix for regional and total estimates.

# Usage

```
dht.se(
  model,
  region.table,
  samples,
  obs,
  options,
  numRegions,
  estimate.table,
  Nhat.by.sample
)
```

# **Arguments**

```
model ddf model object
region.table table of region values
samples table of samples(replicates)
obs table of observations
options list of options that can be set (see dht)
numRegions number of regions
estimate.table table of estimate values
Nhat.by.sample estimated abundances by sample
```

### **Details**

The variance has two components:

- variation due to uncertainty from estimation of the detection function parameters;
- variation in abundance due to random sample selection;

The first component (model parameter uncertainty) is computed using a delta method estimate of variance (Huggins 1989, 1991, Borchers et al. 1998) in which the first derivatives of the abundance estimator with respect to the parameters in the detection function are computed numerically (see DeltaMethod).

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The second component (encounter rate variance) can be computed in one of several ways depending on the form taken for the encounter rate and the estimator used. To begin with there three possible values for varflag to calculate encounter rate:

- 0 uses a binomial variance for the number of observations (equation 13 of Borchers et al. 1998). This estimator is only useful if the sampled region is the survey region and the objects are not clustered; this situation will not occur very often;
- 1 uses the encounter rate n/L (objects observed per unit transect) from Buckland et al. (2001) pg 78-79 (equation 3.78) for line transects (see also Fewster et al, 2009 estimator R2). This variance estimator is not appropriate if size or a derivative of size is used in the detection function;
- 2 is the default and uses the encounter rate estimator  $\tilde{N}/L$  (estimated abundance per unit transect) suggested by Innes et al (2002) and Marques & Buckland (2004).

In general if any covariates are used in the models, the default varflag=2 is preferable as the estimated abundance will take into account variability due to covariate effects. If the population is clustered the mean group size and standard error is also reported.

For options 1 and 2, it is then possible to choose one of the estimator forms given in Fewster et al (2009). For line transects: "R2", "R3", "R4", "S1", "S2", "01", "02" or "03" can be used by specifying the ervar= option (default "R2"). For points, either the "P2" or "P3" estimator can be selected (>=mrds 2.3.0 default "P2", <= mrds 2.2.9 default "P3"). See varn and Fewster et al (2009) for further details on these estimators.

Exceptions to the above occur if there is only one sample in a stratum. In that case it uses Poisson assumption (Var(x) = x) and it assumes a known variance so z = 1.96 is used for critical value. In all other cases the degrees of freedom for the t-distribution assumed for the log(abundance) or log(density) is based on the Satterthwaite approximation (Buckland et al. 2001 pg 90) for the degrees of freedom (df). The df are weighted by the squared cv in combining the two sources of variation because of the assumed log-normal distribution because the components are multiplicative. For combining df for the sampling variance across regions they are weighted by the variance because it is a sum across regions.

A non-zero correlation between regional estimates can occur from using a common detection function across regions. This is reflected in the correlation matrix of the regional and total estimates which is given in the value list. It is only needed if subtotals of regional estimates are needed.

#### Value

List with 2 elements:

estimate.table completed table with se, cv and confidence limits

vc correlation matrix of estimates

### Note

This function is called by dht and it is not expected that the user will call this function directly but it is documented here for completeness and for anyone expanding the code or using this function in their own code.

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### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

### References

see dht

#### See Also

```
dht, print.dht
```

distpdf.grad

Gradient of the non-normalised pdf of distances or the detection function for the distances.

# **Description**

This function has been updated to match distpdf closely, so that it has the same flexibility. Effectively, it gives the gradient of distpdf or detfct, whichever one is specified.

### Usage

```
distpdf.grad(
  distance,
  par.index,
  ddfobj,
  standardize = FALSE,
  width,
  point,
  left = 0,
  pdf.based = TRUE
)
```

# **Arguments**

distance vector of distances

par.index the index of the parameter of interest

ddfobj the ddf object

standardize whether the function should return the gradient of the standardized detection

function g(x)/g(0) (TRUE), or simply of g(0) (FALSE). Currently only imple-

mented for standardize = FALSE.

width the truncation width

point are the data from point transects (TRUE) or line transects (FALSE).

left the left truncation (default 0)

pdf.based is it the gradient of the non-normalised pdf (TRUE) or the detection function

(FALSE)? Default is TRUE.

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#### **Details**

Various functions used to specify key and adjustment functions for gradients of detection functions.

So far, only developed for the half-normal, hazard-rate and uniform key functions in combination with cosine, simple polynomial and Hermite polynomial adjustments. It is only called by the gradient-based solver and should not be called by the general user.

distpdf.grad will call either a half-normal, hazard-rate or uniform function with adjustment terms to fit the data better, returning the gradient of detection at that distance w.r.t. the parameters. The adjustments are either cosine, Hermite or simple polynomial.

#### Value

the gradient of the non-normalised pdf or detection w.r.t. to the parameter with parameter index par.index.

# Author(s)

Felix Petersma

ds.function

Distance Sampling Functions

### **Description**

Computes values of conditional and unconditional detection functions and probability density functions for for line/point data for single observer or dual observer in any of the 3 configurations (io,trial,rem).

### Usage

```
ds.function(
  model,
  newdata = NULL,
  obs = "All",
  conditional = FALSE,
  pdf = TRUE,
  finebr
)
```

### **Arguments**

model model object

newdata dataframe at which to compute values; if NULL uses fitting data

obs 1 or 2 for observer 1 or 2, 3 for duplicates, "." for combined and "All" to return

all of the values

conditional if FALSE, computes p(x) based on distance detection function and if TRUE

based on mr detection function

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pdf if FALSE, returns p(x) and if TRUE, returns p(x)\*pi(x)/integral p(x)\*pi(x)

finebr fine break values over which line is averaged

### **Details**

Placeholder - Not functional ---

#### Value

List containing

xgrid grid of distance values

values average detection fct values at the xgrid values

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake

flnl

Log-likelihood computation for distance sampling data

### **Description**

For a specific set of parameter values, it computes and returns the negative log-likelihood for the distance sampling likelihood for distances that are unbinned, binned and a mixture of both. The function flnl is the function minimized using optim from within ddf.ds.

# Usage

```
flnl(fpar, ddfobj, misc.options, fitting = "all")
```

### **Arguments**

fpar parameter values for detection function at which negative log-likelihood should

be evaluated

ddfobj distance sampling object

misc.options a list with the following elements: width transect width; int.range the in-

tegration range for observations; showit 0 to 3 controls level debug output; integral.numeric if TRUE integral is computed numerically rather than ana-

lytically; point is this a point transect?

fitting character "key" if only fitting key function parameters, "adjust" if fitting ad-

justment parameters or "all" to fit both

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#### **Details**

Most of the computation is in flpt.lnl in which the negative log-likelihood is computed for each observation. flnl is a wrapper that optionally outputs intermediate results and sums the individual log-likelihood values.

flnl is the main routine that manipulates the parameters using getpar to handle fitting of key, adjustment or all of the parameters. It then calls flpt.lnl to do the actual computation of the likelihood. The probability density function for point counts is fr and for line transects is fx. fx=g(x)/mu (where g(x) is the detection function); whereas, f(r)=r\*g(r)/mu where mu in both cases is the normalizing constant. Both functions are in source code file for link{detfct} and are called from distpdf and the integral calculations are made with integratepdf.

#### Value

negative log-likelihood value at the parameter values specified in fpar

#### Note

These are internal functions used by ddf.ds to fit distance sampling detection functions. It is not intended for the user to invoke these functions but they are documented here for completeness.

#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake, David L Miller

#### See Also

flt.var, detfct

 $\verb|flnl.constr.grad.neg| (\textit{Negative}) \textit{ gradients of constraint function}$ 

# **Description**

The function derives the gradients of the constraint function for all model parameters, in the following order: 1. Scale parameter (if part of key function) 2. Shape parameter (if part of key function) 3. Adjustment parameter 1 4. Adjustment parameter 2 5. Etc.

### Usage

```
flnl.constr.grad.neg(pars, ddfobj, misc.options, fitting = "all")
```

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#### **Arguments**

pars vector of parameter values for the detection function at which the gradients of

the negative log-likelihood should be evaluated

ddfobj distance sampling object

misc.options a list object containing all additional information such as the type of optimiser

or the truncation width, and is created within ddf.ds

fitting character string with values "all", "key", "adjust" to determine which parameters

are allowed to vary in the fitting. Not actually used. Defaults to "all".

#### **Details**

The constraint function itself is formed of a specified number of non-linear constraints, which defaults to 20 and is specified through misc.options\$mono.points. The constraint function checks whether the standardised detection function is 1) weakly/strictly monotonic at the points and 2) non-negative at all the points. flnl.constr.grad returns the gradients of those constraints w.r.t. all parameters of the detection function, i.e., 2 times mono.points gradients for every parameter.

This function mostly follows the same structure as flnl.constr in detfct.fit.mono.R.

#### Value

a matrix of gradients for all constraints (rows) w.r.t to every parameters (columns)

flnl.grad

This function derives the gradients of the negative log likelihood function, with respect to all parameters. It is based on the theory presented in Introduction to Distance Sampling (2001) and Distance Sampling: Methods and Applications (2015). It is not meant to be called by users of the mrds and Distance packages directly but rather by the gradient-based solver. This solver is use when our distance sampling model is for single-observer data coming from either line or point transect and only when the detection function contains an adjustment series but no covariates. It is implement for the following key + adjustment series combinations for the detections function: the key function can be half-normal, hazard-rate or uniform, and the adjustment series can be cosine, simple polynomial or Hermite polynomial. Data can be either binned or exact, but a combination of the two has not been implemented yet.

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#### Usage

```
flnl.grad(pars, ddfobj, misc.options, fitting = "all")
```

### **Arguments**

pars vector of parameter values for the detection function at which the gradients of

the negative log-likelihood should be evaluated

ddfobj distance sampling object

misc.options a list object containing all additional information such as the type of optimiser

or the truncation width, and is created by ddf.ds

fitting character string with values "all", "key", "adjust" to determine which parameters

are allowed to vary in the fitting. Not actually used. Defaults to "all".

#### Value

The gradients of the negative log-likelihood w.r.t. the parameters

#### Author(s)

Felix Petersma

flt.var	Hessian computation for fitted distance detection function model pa-
	rameters

# **Description**

Computes hessian to be used for variance-covariance matrix. The hessian is the outer product of the vector of first partials (see pg 62 of Buckland et al 2002).

### Usage

```
flt.var(ddfobj, misc.options)
```

### **Arguments**

ddfobj distance sampling object

misc.options width-transect width (W); int.range-integration range for observations; showit-

0 to 3 controls level of iteration printing; integral.numeric-if TRUE integral is

computed numerically rather than analytically

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# Value

variance-covariance matrix of parameters in the detection function

#### Note

This is an internal function used by ddf.ds to fit distance sampling detection functions. It is not intended for the user to invoke this function but it is documented here for completeness.

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake and David L Miller

#### References

Buckland et al. 2002

### See Also

```
flnl,flpt.lnl,ddf.ds
```

g0

Compute value of p(0) using a logit formulation

# Description

Compute value of p(0) using a logit formulation

# Usage

```
g0(beta, z)
```

# Arguments

beta logistic parameters

z design matrix of covariate values

# Value

vector of p(0) values

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake

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getpar	Extraction and assignment of parameters to vector
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# Description

Extracts parameters of a particular type (scale, shape, adjustments or g0 (p(0))) from the vector of parameters in ddfobj. All of the parameters are kept in a single vector for optimization even though they have very different uses. assign.par parses them from the vector based on a known structure and assigns them into ddfobj. getpar extracts the requested types to be extracted from ddfobj.

### Usage

```
getpar(ddfobj, fitting = "all", index = FALSE)
```

# Arguments

ddfobj	distance sampling object (see create.ddfobj)
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fitting character string which is either "all", "key", "adjust" which determines which pa-

rameters are retrieved

index logical that determines whether parameters are returned (FALSE) or starting

indices in parameter vector for scale, shape, adjustment parameters

### Value

index==FALSE, vector of parameters that were requested or index==TRUE, vector of 3 indices for shape, scale, adjustment

### Note

Internal functions not intended to be called by user.

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake

#### See Also

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 ${\sf gof.ds}$ 

Compute chi-square goodness-of-fit test for ds models

# Description

Compute chi-square goodness-of-fit test for ds models

# Usage

```
gof.ds(model, breaks = NULL, nc = NULL)
```

# Arguments

model ddf model object breaks distance cut points

nc number of distance classes

# Value

list with chi-square value, df and p-value

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake

# See Also

ddf.gof

gstdint

Integral of pdf of distances

# Description

 $Computes \ the \ integral \ of \ distpdf \ with \ scale=1 \ (stdint=TRUE) \ or \ specified \ scale \ (stdint=FALSE).$ 

# Usage

```
gstdint(
    x,
    ddfobj,
    index = NULL,
    select = NULL,
    width,
    standardize = TRUE,
```

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```
point = FALSE,
  stdint = TRUE,
  doeachint = FALSE,
  left = left
)
```

# **Arguments**

x lower, upper value for integration

ddfobj distance detection function specification

index specific data row index

select logical vector for selection of data values

width truncation width

standardize if TRUE, divide through by the function evaluated at 0

point logical to determine if point (TRUE) or line transect(FALSE)

stdint if TRUE, scale=1 otherwise specified scale used doeachint if TRUE perform integration using integrate

left left truncation width

### Value

vector of integral values of detection function

# Note

This is an internal function that is not intended to be invoked directly.

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake and David L Miller

histline Plot histogram line

# **Description**

Takes bar heights (height) and cutpoints (breaks), and constructs a line-only histogram from them using the function plot() (if lineonly==FALSE) or lines() (if lineonly==TRUE).

### Usage

```
histline(
  height,
  breaks,
  lineonly = FALSE,
  outline = FALSE,
  ylim = range(height),
  xlab = "x",
  ylab = "y",
  det.plot = FALSE,
  add = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

### **Arguments**

height	heights of histogram bars

breaks cutpoints for x

lineonly if TRUE, drawn with plot; otherwise with lines to allow addition of current plot

outline if TRUE, only outline of histogram is plotted

ylim limits for y axis xlab label for x axis ylab label for y axis

det.plot if TRUE, plot is of detection so yaxis limited to unit interval

add should this plot add to a previous window
... Additional unspecified arguments for plot

## Value

None

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake and David L Miller

 $integrated etfct. \\ logistic$ 

Integrate a logistic detection function

# Description

Integrates a logistic detection function; a separate function is used because in certain cases the integral can be solved analytically and also because the scale trick used with the half-normal and hazard rate doesn't work with the logistic.

### Usage

```
integratedetfct.logistic(x, scalemodel, width, theta1, integral.numeric, w)
```

# **Arguments**

x logistic design matrix valuesscalemodel scale model for logistic

width transect width

theta1 parameters for logistic

integral.numeric

if TRUE computes numerical integral value

w design covariates

#### Value

vector of integral values

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake

integratelogistic.analytic

Analytically integrate logistic detection function

# Description

Computes integral (analytically) over x from 0 to width of a logistic detection function; For reference see integral #526 in CRC Std Math Table 24th ed

# Usage

```
integratelogistic.analytic(x, models, beta, width)
```

# **Arguments**

x matrix of data

models list of model formulae

beta parameters of logistic detection function

width transect half-width

### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

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integratepdf Numerically integrate pdf of observed distances over specified range
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# **Description**

Computes integral of pdf of observed distances over x for each observation. The method of computation depends on argument switches set and the type of detection function.

## Usage

```
integratepdf(
  ddfobj,
  select,
  width,
  int.range,
  standardize = TRUE,
  point = FALSE,
  left = 0,
  doeachint = FALSE
)
```

# **Arguments**

ddfobj distance detection function specification
select logical vector for selection of data values

width truncation width

int.range integration range matrix; vector is converted to matrix

standardize logical used to decide whether to divide through by the function evaluated at 0

point logical to determine if point count (TRUE) or line transect (FALSE)

left left truncation width

doeachint calculate each integral numerically

#### Value

vector of integral values - one for each observation

### Author(s)

Jeff Laake & Dave Miller

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integratepdf.grad	Numerically integrates the non-normalised pdf or the detection func-
	tion of observed distances over specified ranges.

# **Description**

Gradient of the integral of the detection function, i.e., d beta/d theta in the documentation. This gradient of the integral is the same as the integral of the gradient, thanks to Leibniz integral rule.

### Usage

```
integratepdf.grad(
  par.index,
  ddfobj,
  int.range,
  width,
  standardize = FALSE,
  point = FALSE,
  left = 0,
  pdf.based = TRUE
)
```

### **Arguments**

par.index the index of the parameter of interest

ddfobj the ddf object

int.range vector with the lower and upper bound of the integration

width the truncation width

standardize TRUE if the non-standardised detection function should be integrated. Only

implemented for standardize = FALSE, so users should not touch this argument

and it can probably be removed.

point are the data from point transects (TRUE) or line transects (FALSE).

left the left truncation. Defaults to zero.

pdf.based evaluate the non-normalised pdf or the detection function? Default is TRUE.

#### **Details**

For internal use only - not to be called by mrds or Distance users directly.

# Author(s)

Felix Petersma

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io.glm

Iterative offset GLM/GAM for fitting detection function

# Description

Provides an iterative algorithm for finding the MLEs of detection (capture) probabilities for a twooccasion (double observer) mark-recapture experiment using standard algorithms GLM/GAM and an offset to compensate for conditioning on the set of observations. While the likelihood can be formulated and solved numerically, the use of GLM/GAM provides all of the available tools for fitting, predictions, plotting etc without any further development.

### Usage

```
io.glm(
  datavec,
  fitformula,
  eps = 1e-05,
  iterlimit = 500,
  GAM = FALSE,
  gamplot = TRUE
)
```

# **Arguments**

datavec dataframe

fitformula logit link formula

eps convergence criterion

iterlimit maximum number of iterations allowed

GAM uses GAM instead of GLM for fitting

gamplot set to TRUE to get a gam plot object if GAM=TRUE

#### **Details**

Note that currently the code in this function for GAMs has been commented out until the remainder of the mrds package will work with GAMs. This is an internal function that is used as by ddf.io.fi to fit mark-recapture models with 2 occasions. The argument mrmodel is used for fitformula.

#### Value

```
list of class("ioglm","glm","lm") or class("ioglm","gam")

glmobj GLM or GAM object

offsetvalue offsetvalues from iterative fit

plotobj gam plot object (if GAM & gamplot==TRUE, else NULL)
```

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#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake, David Borchers, Charles Paxton

#### References

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is.linear.logistic

Collection of functions for logistic detection functions

# Description

These functions are used to test whether a logistic detection function is a linear function of distance (is.linear.logistic) or is constant (varies by distance but no other covariates) is.logistic.constant). Based on these tests, the most appropriate manner for integrating the detection function with respect to distance is chosen. The integrals are needed to estimate the average detection probability for a given set of covariates.

#### Usage

```
is.linear.logistic(xmat, g0model, zdim, width)
```

#### **Arguments**

xmat data matrix g0model logit model

zdim number of columns in design matrix

width transect width

### Details

If the logit is linear in distance then the integral can be computed analytically. If the logit is constant or only varies by distance then only one integral needs to be computed rather than an integral for each observation.

# Value

Logical TRUE if condition holds and FALSE otherwise

### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

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# Description

Determines whether the specified logit model is constant for all observations. If it is constant then only one integral needs to be computed.

### Usage

```
is.logistic.constant(xmat, g0model, width)
```

### **Arguments**

xmat data

g0model logit model width transect width

### Value

logical value

### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

keyfct.grad.hn

The gradient of the half-normal key function

# Description

The key function contains one parameter, the scale. Current implementation assumes that scaled dist is x/scale, not x/width

# Usage

```
keyfct.grad.hn(distance, key.scale)
```

# **Arguments**

distance perpendicular distance vector

key.scale vector of scale values

# **Details**

```
d \text{ key } / d \text{ scale} = \exp(-y ^2 / (2 \text{ scale } ^2)) * (y ^2 / \text{ scale } ^3)
```

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#### Value

vector of derivatives of the half-normal key function w.r.t. the scale parameter

## Description

The key function contains two parameters, the scale and the shape, and so the gradient is two-dimensional. Current implementation assumes that scaled dist is x/scale, not x/width

### Usage

```
keyfct.grad.hz(distance, key.scale, key.shape, shape = FALSE)
```

#### **Arguments**

distance perpendicular distance vector

key.scale vector of scale values

key. shape vector of shape values

shape is the gradient parameter the shape parameter? Defaults to FALSE

#### **Details**

```
d key / d scale = (shape * exp(-(1/ (x/scale) ^ shape)) / ((x/scale) ^ shape ) * scale) d key / d shape = - ((log(x / scale) * exp(-(1/ (x/scale) ^ shape))) / (x/scale) ^ shape)
```

When distance = 0, the gradients are also zero. However, the equation below will result in NaN and (-)Inf due to operations such as log(0) or division by zero. We correct for this in line 33.

#### Value

matrix of derivatives of the hazard rate key function w.r.t. the scale parameter and the shape parameter.

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Threshold key function

# Description

Threshold key function

# Usage

```
keyfct.th1(distance, key.scale, key.shape)
```

## Arguments

distance perpendicular distance vector

key.scale vector of scale values key.shape vector of shape values

#### Value

vector of probabilities

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Threshold key function

## Description

Threshold key function

## Usage

```
keyfct.th2(distance, key.scale, key.shape)
```

## Arguments

distance perpendicular distance vector

key.scale vector of scale values key.shape vector of shape values

## Value

vector of probabilities

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Two-part normal key function

#### Description

The two-part normal detection function of Becker and Christ (2015). Either side of an estimated apex in the distance histogram has a half-normal distribution, with differing scale parameters. Covariates may be included but affect both sides of the function.

## Usage

```
keyfct.tpn(distance, ddfobj)
```

## **Arguments**

distance perpendicular distance vector

ddfobj meta object containing parameters, design matrices etc

#### **Details**

Two-part normal models have 2 important parameters:

- The apex, which estimates the peak in the detection function (where g(x)=1). The log apex is reported in summary results, so taking the exponential of this value should give the peak in the plotted function (see examples).
- The parameter that controls the difference between the sides .dummy\_apex\_side, which is automatically added to the formula for a two-part normal model. One can add interactions with this variable as normal, but don't need to add the main effect as it will be automatically added.

## Value

a vector of probabilities that the observation were detected given they were at the specified distance and assuming that g(mu)=1

## Author(s)

Earl F Becker, David L Miller

#### References

Becker, E. F., & Christ, A. M. (2015). A Unimodal Model for Double Observer Distance Sampling Surveys. PLOS ONE, 10(8), e0136403. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0136403

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Black-capped vireo mark-recapture distance sampling analysis

#### **Description**

These data represent avian point count surveys conducted at 453 point sample survey locations on the 24,000 (approx) live-fire region of Fort Hood in central Texas. Surveys were conducted by independent double observers (2 per survey occasion) and as such we had a maximum of 3 paired survey histories, giving a maximum of 6 sample occasions (see MacKenzie et al. 2006, MacKenzie and Royle 2005, and Laake et al. 2011 for various sample survey design details). At each point, we surveyed for 5 minutes (technically broken into 3 time intervals of 2, 2, and 1 minutes; not used here) and we noted detections by each observer and collected distance to each observation within a set of distance bins (0-25, 25-50, 50-75, 75-100m) of the target species (Black-capped vireo's in this case) for each surveyor. Our primary focus was to use mark-recapture distance sampling methods to estimate density of Black-capped vireo's, and to estimate detection rates for the mark-recapture, distance, and composite model.

#### **Format**

The format is a data frame with the following covariate metrics.

PointID Unique identifier for each sample location; locations are the same for both species

VisitNumber Visit number to the point

Species Species designation, either Golden-cheeked warbler (GW) or Black-capped Vireo (BV)

**Distance** Distance measure, which is either NA (representing no detection), or the median of the binned detection distances

PairNumber ID value indicating which observers were paired for that sampling occasion

**Observer** Observer ID, either primary(1), or secondary (2)

**Detected** Detection of a bird, either 1 = detected, or 0 = not detected

**Date** Date of survey since 15 march 2011

**Pred** Predicted occupancy value for that survey hexagon based on Farrell et al. (2013)

Category Region. Label categorization, see mrds help file for details on data structure

Effort Amount of survey effort at the point

Day Number of days since 15 March 2011

**ObjectID** Unique ID for each paired observations

#### **Details**

In addition to detailing the analysis used by Collier et al. (2013, In Review), this example documents the use of mrds for avian point count surveys and shows how density models can be incorporated with occupancy models to develop spatially explicit density surface maps. For those that are interested, for the distance sampling portion of our analysis, we used both conventional distance sampling (cds) and multiple covariate distance sampling (mcds) with uniform and half-normal key

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functions. For the mark-recapture portion of our analysis, we tended to use covariates for distance (median bin width), observer, and date of survey (days since 15 March 2011).

We combined our mrds density estimates via a Horvitz-Thompson styled estimator with the resource selection function gradient developed in Farrell et al. (2013) and estimated density on an ~3.14ha hexagonal grid across our study area, which provided a density gradient for the Fort Hood military installation. Because there was considerable data manipulation needed for each analysis to structure the data appropriately for use in mrds, rather than wrap each analysis in a single function, we have provided both the Golden-cheeked warbler and Black-capped vireo analyses in their full detail. The primary differences you will see will be changes to model structures and model outputs between the two species.

#### Author(s)

Bret Collier and Jeff Laake

#### References

Farrell, S.F., B.A. Collier, K.L. Skow, A.M. Long, A.J. Campomizzi, M.L. Morrison, B. Hays, and R.N. Wilkins. 2013. Using LiDAR-derived structural vegetation characteristics to develop high-resolution, small-scale, species distribution models for conservation planning. Ecosphere 43(3): 42. http://dx.doi.org/10.1890/ES12-000352.1

Laake, J.L., B.A. Collier, M.L. Morrison, and R.N. Wilkins. 2011. Point-based mark recapture distance sampling. Journal of Agricultural, Biological and Environmental Statistics 16: 389-408.

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#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
data(lfbcvi)
xy=cut(lfbcvi$Pred, c(-0.0001, .1, .2, .3, .4, .5, .6, .7, .8, .9, 1),
 labels=c("1", "2", "3", "4", "5", "6", "7", "8", "9", "10"))
x=data.frame(lfbcvi, New=xy)
# Note that I scaled the individual covariate of day-helps with
# convergence issues
bird.data <- data.frame(object=x$ObjectID, observer=x$Observer,</pre>
                        detected=x$Detected, distance=x$Distance,
                        Region.Label=x$New, Sample.Label=x$PointID,
                        Day=(x$Day/max(x$Day)))
# make observer a factor variable
bird.data$observer=factor(bird.data$observer)
# Jeff Laake suggested this snippet to quickly create distance medians
# which adds bin information to the bird.data dataframe
bird.data$distbegin=0
bird.data$distend=100
```

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```
bird.data$distend[bird.data$distance==12.5]=25
bird.data$distbegin[bird.data$distance==37.5]=25
bird.data$distend[bird.data$distance==37.5]=50
bird.data$distbegin[bird.data$distance==62.5]=50
bird.data$distend[bird.data$distance==62.5]=75
bird.data$distbegin[bird.data$distance==87.5]=75
bird.data$distend[bird.data$distance==87.5]=100
# Removed all survey points with distance=NA for a survey event;
# hence no observations for use in ddf() but needed later
bird.data=bird.data[complete.cases(bird.data),]
# Manipulations on full dataset for various data.frame creation for
# use in density estimation using dht()
#Samples dataframe
x = x
x=data.frame(PointID=x$PointID, Species=x$Species,
             Category=x$New, Effort=x$Effort)
x=x[!duplicated(x$PointID),]
point.num=table(x$Category)
samples=data.frame(PointID=x$PointID, Region.Label=x$Category,
                   Effort=x$Effort)
final.samples=data.frame(Sample.Label=samples$PointID,
                         Region.Label=samples$Region.Label,
                         Effort=samples$Effort)
#obs dataframe
obs=data.frame(ObjectID=xx$ObjectID, PointID=xx$PointID)
#used to get Region and Sample assigned to ObjectID
obs=merge(obs, samples, by=c("PointID", "PointID"))
obs=obs[!duplicated(obs$ObjectID),]
obs=data.frame(object=obs$ObjectID, Region.Label=obs$Region.Label,
               Sample.Label=obs$PointID)
region.data=data.frame(Region.Label=c(1, 2, 3,4,5,6,7,8,9, 10),
Area=c(point.num[1]*3.14, point.num[2]*3.14,
       point.num[3]*3.14, point.num[4]*3.14,
       point.num[5]*3.14, point.num[6]*3.14,
       point.num[7]*3.14, point.num[8]*3.14,
       point.num[9]*3.14, point.num[10]*3.14))
# Candidate Models
BV1=ddf(
   dsmodel=~mcds(key="hn", formula=~1),
   mrmodel=~glm(~distance),
   data=bird.data,
   method="io",
   meta.data=list(binned=TRUE,point=TRUE,width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
BV1FI=ddf(
   dsmodel=~mcds(key="hn", formula=~1),
   mrmodel=~glm(~distance),
```

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data=bird.data,
   method="io.fi",
   meta.data=list(binned=TRUE,point=TRUE,width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
BV2=ddf(
   dsmodel=~mcds(key="hr",formula=~1),
   mrmodel=~glm(~distance),
   data=bird.data,
   method="io",
   meta.data=list(binned=TRUE,point=TRUE,width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
BV3=ddf(
   dsmodel=~mcds(key="hn",formula=~1),
   mrmodel=~glm(~distance+observer),
   data=bird.data,
   method="io",
   meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
BV3FI=ddf(
   dsmodel=~mcds(key="hn", formula=~1),
   mrmodel=~glm(~distance+observer),
   data=bird.data,
   method="io.fi",
   meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
BV4=ddf(
   dsmodel=~mcds(key="hr",formula=~1),
   mrmodel=~glm(~distance+observer),
   data=bird.data,
   method="io",
   meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
BV5=ddf(
   dsmodel=~mcds(key="hn",formula=~1),
   mrmodel=~glm(~distance*observer),
   data=bird.data,
   method="io",
   meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
BV5FI=ddf(
   dsmodel=~mcds(key="hn", formula=~1),
   mrmodel=~glm(~distance*observer),
   data=bird.data,
   method="io.fi",
   meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
BV6=ddf(
   dsmodel=~mcds(key="hr",formula=~1),
   mrmodel=~glm(~distance*observer),
   data=bird.data,
   method="io",
   meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
BV7=ddf(
   dsmodel=~cds(key="hn", formula=~1),
   mrmodel=~glm(~distance*Day),
   data=bird.data,
   method="io",
   meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
BV7FI=ddf(
   dsmodel=~cds(key="hn",formula=~1),
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mrmodel=~glm(~distance*Day),
   data=bird.data,
   method="io.fi",
   meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
BV8=ddf(
   dsmodel=~cds(key="hr",formula=~1),
   mrmodel=~glm(~distance*Day),
   data=bird.data,
   method="io",
   meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
BV9=ddf(
   dsmodel=~mcds(key="hn",formula=~1),
   mrmodel=~glm(~distance*observer*Day),
   data=bird.data,
   method="io",
   meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
BV9FI=ddf(
   dsmodel=~mcds(key="hn", formula=~1),
   mrmodel=~glm(~distance*observer*Day),
   data=bird.data,
   method="io.fi",
   meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
BV10=ddf(
   dsmodel=~mcds(key="hr",formula=~1),
   mrmodel=~glm(~distance*observer*Day),
   data=bird.data,
   method="io",
   meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
#BV.DS=ddf(
    dsmodel=~mcds(key="hn",formula=~1),
     data=bird.data,
     method="ds",
     meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
#AIC table building code.
AIC = c(BV1$criterion, BV1FI$criterion, BV2$criterion, BV3$criterion,
        BV3FI$criterion, BV4$criterion, BV5FI$criterion,
        BV6$criterion, BV7$criterion, BV7FI$criterion, BV8$criterion,
        BV9$criterion, BV9FI$criterion, BV10$criterion)
#creates a set of row names for me to check my grep() call below
rn = c("BV1", "BV1FI", "BV2", "BV3", "BV3FI", "BV4", "BV5", "BV5FI", 
"BV6", "BV7", "BV7FI", "BV8", "BV9", "BV9FI", "BV10")
#Number parameters
k = c(length(BV1$par), length(BV1FI$par), length(BV2$par),
      length(BV3$par), length(BV3FI$par), length(BV4$par),
      length(BV5$par),length(BV5FI$par), length(BV6$par),
      length(BV7$par), length(BV7FI$par), length(BV8$par),
#build AIC table
AIC.table=data.frame(AIC = AIC, rn=rn, k=k, dAIC = abs(min(AIC)-AIC) ,
                     likg=exp(-.5*(abs(min(AIC)-AIC))))
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#row.names(AIC.table)=grep("BV", ls(), value=TRUE)
AIC.table=AIC.table[with(AIC.table, order(-likg, -dAIC, AIC, k)),]
AIC.table=data.frame(AIC.table, wi=AIC.table$likg/sum(AIC.table$likg))
AIC.table
# Model average N_hat_covered estimates
# not very clean, but I wanted to show full process, need to use
# collect.models and model.table here later on
estimate <- c(BV1$Nhat, BV1FI$Nhat, BV2$Nhat, BV3$Nhat, BV3FI$Nhat,
              BV4$Nhat, BV5$Nhat, BV5FI$Nhat, BV6$Nhat, BV7$Nhat,
              BV7FI$Nhat, BV8$Nhat, BV9$Nhat, BV9FI$Nhat, BV10$Nhat)
AIC.values=AIC
# had to use str() to extract here as Nhat.se is calculated in
# mrds:::summary.io, not in ddf(), so it takes a bit
std.err <- c(summary(BV1)$Nhat.se, summary(BV1FI)$Nhat.se,</pre>
             summary(BV2)$Nhat.se, summary(BV3)$Nhat.se,
             summary(BV3FI)$Nhat.se, summary(BV4)$Nhat.se,
             summary(BV5)$Nhat.se, summary(BV5FI)$Nhat.se,
             summary(BV6)$Nhat.se, summary(BV7)$Nhat.se,
             summary(BV7FI)$Nhat.se,summary(BV8)$Nhat.se,
             summary(BV9)$Nhat.se, summary(BV9FI)$Nhat.se,
             summary(BV10)$Nhat.se)
## End(Not run)
## Not run:
#Not Run
#requires RMark
library(RMark)
#uses model.average structure to model average real abundance estimates for
#covered area of the surveys
  mmi.list=list(estimate=estimate, AIC=AIC.values, se=std.err)
  model.average(mmi.list, revised=TRUE)
#Not Run
#Summary for the top 2 models
 #summary(BV5, se=TRUE)
 #summary(BV5FI, se=TRUE)
#Not Run
#Best Model
 #best.model=AIC.table[1,]
#Not Run
#GOF for models
#ddf.gof(BV5, breaks=c(0, 25, 50, 75, 100))
#Not Run
#Density estimation across occupancy categories
#out.BV=dht(BV5, region.data, final.samples, obs, se=TRUE,
            options=list(convert.units=.01))
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#Plot--Not Run

#Composite Detection Function
#plot(BV5, which=3, showpoints=FALSE, angle=0, density=0, col="black", lwd=3,
# main="Black-capped Vireo",xlab="Distance (m)", las=1, cex.axis=1.25,
# cex.lab=1.25)

## End(Not run)
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Golden-cheeked warbler mark-recapture distance sampling analysis

#### **Description**

These data represent avian point count surveys conducted at 453 point sample survey locations on the 24,000 (approx) live-fire region of Fort Hood in central Texas. Surveys were conducted by independent double observers (2 per survey occasion) and as such we had a maximum of 3 paired survey histories, giving a maximum of 6 sample occasions (see MacKenzie et al. 2006, MacKenzie and Royle 2005, and Laake et al. 2011 for various sample survey design details). At each point, we surveyed for 5 minutes (technically broken into 3 time intervals of 2, 2, and 1 minutes; not used here) and we noted detections by each observer and collected distance to each observation within a set of distance bins (0-50, 50-100m; Laake et al. 2011) of the target species (Golden-cheeked warblers in this case) for each surveyor. Our primary focus was to use mark-recapture distance sampling methods to estimate density of Golden-cheeked warblers, and to estimate detection rates for the mark-recapture, distance, and composite model.

#### Format

The format is a data frame with the following covariate metrics.

**PointID** Unique identifier for each sample location; locations are the same for both species

VisitNumber Visit number to the point

Species Species designation, either Golden-cheeked warbler (GW) or Black-capped Vireo (BV)

**Distance** Distance measure, which is either NA (representing no detection), or the median of the binned detection distances

PairNumber ID value indicating which observers were paired for that sampling occasion

**Observer** Observer ID, either primary(1), or secondary (2)

**Detected** Detection of a bird, either 1 =detected, or 0 =not detected

Date Date of survey since 15 March 2011, numeric value

Pred Predicted occupancy value for that survey hexagon based on Farrell et al. (2013)

Category Region. Label categorization, see R package mrds help file for details on data structure

Effort Amount of survey effort at the point

Day Number of days since 15 March 2011, numeric value

**ObjectID** Unique ID for each paired observations

#### **Details**

In addition to detailing the analysis used by Collier et al. (2013, In Review), this example documents the use of mrds for avian point count surveys and shows how density models can be incorporated with occupancy models to develop spatially explicit density surface maps. For those that are interested, for the distance sampling portion of our analysis, we used both conventional distance sampling (cds) and multiple covariate distance sampling (mcds) with uniform and half-normal key functions. For the mark-recapture portion of our analysis, we tended to use covariates for distance (median bin width), observer, and date of survey (days since 15 March 2011).

We combined our mrds density estimates via a Horvitz-Thompson styled estimator with the resource selection function gradient developed in Farrell et al. (2013) and estimated density on an ~3.14ha hexagonal grid across our study area, which provided a density gradient for Fort Hood. Because there was considerable data manipulation needed for each analysis to structure the data appropriately for use in mrds, rather than wrap each analysis in a single function, we have provided both the Golden-cheeked warbler and Black-capped vireo analyses in their full detail. The primary differences you will see will be changes to model structures and model outputs between the two species.

#### Author(s)

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# make observer a factor variable

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#### **Examples**

```
bird.data$observer=factor(bird.data$observer)
# Jeff Laake suggested this snippet to quickly create distance medians
# which adds bin information to the \code{bird.data} dataframe
bird.data$distbegin=0
bird.data$distend=100
bird.data$distend[bird.data$distance==12.5]=50
bird.data$distbegin[bird.data$distance==37.5]=0
bird.data$distend[bird.data$distance==37.5]=50
bird.data$distbegin[bird.data$distance==62.5]=50
bird.data$distend[bird.data$distance==62.5]=100
bird.data$distbegin[bird.data$distance==87.5]=50
bird.data$distend[bird.data$distance==87.5]=100
# Removed all survey points with distance=NA for a survey event;
# hence no observations for use in \code{ddf()} but needed later
bird.data=bird.data[complete.cases(bird.data),]
# Manipulations on full dataset for various data.frame creation
# for use in density estimation using \code{dht()}
# Samples dataframe
xx < -x
x <- data.frame(PointID=x$PointID, Species=x$Species,</pre>
                Category=x$New, Effort=x$Effort)
x <- x[!duplicated(x$PointID),]</pre>
point.num <- table(x$Category)</pre>
samples <- data.frame(PointID=x$PointID, Region.Label=x$Category,</pre>
                      Effort=x$Effort)
final.samples=data.frame(Sample.Label=samples$PointID,
                          Region.Label=samples$Region.Label,
                          Effort=samples$Effort)
# obs dataframe
obs <- data.frame(ObjectID=xx$ObjectID, PointID=xx$PointID)</pre>
# used to get Region and Sample assigned to ObjectID
obs <- merge(obs, samples, by=c("PointID", "PointID"))</pre>
obs <- obs[!duplicated(obs$ObjectID),]</pre>
obs <- data.frame(object=obs$ObjectID, Region.Label=obs$Region.Label,
                  Sample.Label=obs$PointID)
#Region.Label dataframe
region.data \leftarrow data.frame(Region.Label=c(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9),
                           Area=c(point.num[1]*3.14,
                                  point.num[2]*3.14,
                                  point.num[3]*3.14,
                                  point.num[4]*3.14,
                                  point.num[5]*3.14,
                                  point.num[6]*3.14,
                                  point.num[7]*3.14,
                                  point.num[8]*3.14,
                                  point.num[9]*3.14))
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# Candidate Models
GW1=ddf(
  dsmodel=~cds(key="unif", adj.series="cos", adj.order=1,adj.scale="width"),
  mrmodel=~glm(~distance),
  data=bird.data,
  method="io",
  meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100, breaks=c(0,50,100)))
GW2=ddf(
  dsmodel=~cds(key="unif", adj.series="cos", adj.order=1,adj.scale="width"),
  mrmodel=~glm(~distance+observer),
  data=bird.data,
  method="io",
  meta.data=list(binned=TRUE,point=TRUE,width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
GW3=ddf(
  dsmodel=~cds(key="unif", adj.series="cos", adj.order=1,adj.scale="width"),
  mrmodel=~glm(~distance*observer),
  data=bird.data,
  method="io",
  meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100, breaks=c(0,50,100)))
GW4=ddf(
  dsmodel=~mcds(key="hn", formula=~1),
  mrmodel=~glm(~distance),
  data=bird.data,
  method="io",
  meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100, breaks=c(0,50,100)))
GW4FI=ddf(
  dsmodel=~mcds(key="hn",formula=~1),
  mrmodel=~glm(~distance),
  data=bird.data,
  method="io.fi",
  meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100, breaks=c(0,50,100)))
  dsmodel=~mcds(key="hn", formula=~1),
  mrmodel=~glm(~distance+observer),
  data=bird.data,
  method="io",
  meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
  dsmodel=~mcds(key="hn", formula=~1),
  mrmodel=~glm(~distance+observer),
  data=bird.data,
  method="io.fi",
  meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
GW6=ddf(
  dsmodel=~mcds(key="hn", formula=~1),
  mrmodel=~glm(~distance*observer),
  data=bird.data,
  method="io",
  meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
GW6FI=ddf(
  dsmodel=~mcds(key="hn", formula=~1),
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mrmodel=~glm(~distance*observer),
  data=bird.data,
  method="io.fi",
  meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
GW7=ddf(
  dsmodel=~cds(key="hn",formula=~1),
  mrmodel=~glm(~distance*Day),
  data=bird.data,
  method="io",
  meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
GW7FI=ddf(
  dsmodel=~cds(key="hn",formula=~1),
  mrmodel=~glm(~distance*Day),
  data=bird.data,
  method="io.fi",
  meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
GW8=ddf(
  dsmodel=~mcds(key="hn",formula=~1),
  mrmodel=~glm(~distance*observer*Day),
  data=bird.data,
  method="io",
  meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
GW8FI=ddf(
  dsmodel=~mcds(key="hn",formula=~1),
  mrmodel=~glm(~distance*observer*Day),
  data=bird.data,
  method="io.fi",
  meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
#GWDS=ddf(
   dsmodel=~mcds(key="hn",formula=~1),
   data=bird.data,
# method="ds",
   meta.data=list(binned=TRUE, point=TRUE, width=100,breaks=c(0,50,100)))
#### GCWA Summary Metrics
#AIC table building code, not exactly elegant, but I did not
want to add more package dependencies
AIC = c(GW1$criterion, GW2$criterion, GW3$criterion, GW4$criterion,
        GW4FI$criterion, GW5$criterion, GW5FI$criterion,
        GW6$criterion, GW6FI$criterion, GW7$criterion, GW7FI$criterion,
        GW8$criterion, GW8FI$criterion)
#creates a set of row names for me to check my grep() call below
rn <- c("GW1", "GW2", "GW3", "GW4", "GW4FI", "GW5", "GW5FI", "GW6",
        "GW6FI", "GW7","GW7FI", "GW8", "GW8FI")
# number of parameters for each model
k \leftarrow c(length(GW1\$par), length(GW2\$par), length(GW3\$par), length(GW4\$par),
       length(GW4FI$par), length(GW5FI$par), length(GW5FI$par),
       length(GW6$par), length(GW6FI$par), length(GW7$par),
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length(GW7FI$par), length(GW8$par), length(GW8FI$par))
# build AIC table and
AIC.table <- data.frame(AIC = AIC, rn=rn, k=k, dAIC = abs(min(AIC)-AIC),
                        likg = exp(-.5*(abs(min(AIC)-AIC))))
# row.names(AIC.table)=grep("GW", ls(), value=TRUE)
AIC.table <- AIC.table[with(AIC.table, order(-likg, -dAIC, AIC, k)),]
AIC.table <- data.frame(AIC.table, wi=AIC.table$likg/sum(AIC.table$likg))
AIC.table
# Model average N_hat_covered estimates
# not very clean, but I wanted to show full process, need to use
# collect.models and model.table here
estimate <- c(GW1$Nhat, GW2$Nhat, GW3$Nhat, GW4$Nhat, GW4FI$Nhat,
              GW5$Nhat, GW5FI$Nhat, GW6$Nhat, GW6FI$Nhat, GW7$Nhat,
              GW7FI$Nhat, GW8$Nhat, GW8FI$Nhat)
AIC.values <- AIC
# Nhat.se is calculated in mrds:::summary.io, not in ddf(), so
# it takes a bit to pull out
std.err <- c(summary(GW1)$Nhat.se, summary(GW2)$Nhat.se,</pre>
             summary(GW3)$Nhat.se,summary(GW4)$Nhat.se,
             summary(GW4FI)$Nhat.se, summary(GW5)$Nhat.se,
             summary(GW5FI)$Nhat.se, summary(GW6)$Nhat.se,
             summary(GW6FI)$Nhat.se, summary(GW7)$Nhat.se,
             summary(GW7FI)$Nhat.se,summary(GW8)$Nhat.se,
             summary(GW8FI)$Nhat.se)
## End(Not run)
## Not run:
#Not Run
#requires RMark
library(RMark)
#uses model.average structure to model average real abundance estimates for
#covered area of the surveys
mmi.list=list(estimate=estimate, AIC=AIC.values, se=std.err)
model.average(mmi.list, revised=TRUE)
#Not Run
#Best Model FI
#best.modelFI=AIC.table[1,]
#best.model
#Best Model PI
#best.modelPI=AIC.table[2,]
#best.modelPI
#Not Run
#summary(GW7FI, se=TRUE)
#summary(GW7, se=TRUE)
#Not Run
#GOF for models
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#ddf.gof(GW7, breaks=c(0,50,100))
#Not Run
#Density estimation across occupancy categories
#out.GW=dht(GW7, region.data, final.samples, obs, se=TRUE,
           options=list(convert.units=.01))
#Plots--Not Run
#Composite Detection Function examples
#plot(GW7, which=3, showpoints=FALSE, angle=0, density=0,
      col="black", lwd=3, main="Golden-cheeked Warbler",
      xlab="Distance (m)", las=1, cex.axis=1.25, cex.lab=1.25)
#
#Conditional Detection Function
#dd=expand.grid(distance=0:100,Day=(4:82)/82)
#dmat=model.matrix(~distance*Day,dd)
#dd$p=plogis(model.matrix(~distance*Day,dd)%*%coef(GW7$mr)$estimate)
#dd$Day=dd$Day*82
#with(dd[dd$Day==12,],plot(distance,p,ylim=c(0,1), las=1,
# ylab="Detection probability", xlab="Distance (m)",
# type="1",lty=1, lwd=3, bty="1", cex.axis=1.5, cex.lab=1.5))
#with(dd[dd$Day==65,],lines(distance,p,lty=2, lwd=3))
#ch=paste(bird.data$detected[bird.data$observer==1],
#
          bird.data$detected[bird.data$observer==2],
          sep="")
#
#tab=table(ch,cut(82*bird.data$Day[bird.data$observer==1],c(0,45,83)),
# cut(bird.data$distance[bird.data$observer==1],c(0,50,100)))
#tabmat=cbind(colMeans(rbind(tab[3,,1]/colSums(tab[2:3,,1],
                             tab[3,,1]/colSums(tab[c(1,3),,1])))),
#
              colMeans(rbind(tab[3,,2]/colSums(tab[2:3,,2],
#
                             tab[3,,2]/colSums(tab[c(1,3),,2])))))
#colnames(tabmat)=c("0-50","51-100")
#points(c(25,75),tabmat[1,],pch=1, cex=1.5)
#points(c(25,75),tabmat[2,],pch=2, cex=1.5)
# Another alternative plot using barplot instead of points
# (this is one in paper)
#ch=paste(bird.data$detected[bird.data$observer==1],
          bird.data$detected[bird.data$observer==2],
#tab=table(ch,cut(82*bird.data$Day[bird.data$observer==1],c(0,45,83)),
# cut(bird.data$distance[bird.data$observer==1],c(0,50,100)))
#tabmat=cbind(colMeans(rbind(tab[3,,1]/colSums(tab[2:3,,1],
                             tab[3,,1]/colSums(tab[c(1,3),,1]))),
#colMeans(rbind(tab[3,,2]/colSums(tab[2:3,,2],
                tab[3,,2]/colSums(tab[c(1,3),,2]))))
#colnames(tabmat)=c("0-50","51-100")
\#par(mfrow=c(2, 1), mai=c(1,1,1,1))
#with(dd[dd$Day==12,],
     plot(distance,p,ylim=c(0,1), las=1,
           ylab="Detection probability", xlab="",
           type="l", lty=1, lwd=4, bty="l", cex.axis=1.5, cex.lab=1.5))
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#segments(0, 0, .0, tabmat[1,1], lwd=3)
#segments(0, tabmat[1,1], 50, tabmat[1,1], lwd=4)
#segments(50, tabmat[1,1], 50, 0, lwd=4)
#segments(50, tabmat[1,2], 100, tabmat[1,2], lwd=4)
#segments(0, tabmat[1,1], 50, tabmat[1,1], lwd=4)
#segments(100, tabmat[1,2], 100, 0, lwd=4)
#mtext("a",line=-1, at=90)
#with(dd[dd$Day==65,],
     plot(distance, p, ylim=c(0, 1), las=1, ylab="Detection probability",
           xlab="Distance", type="l",lty=1,
           lwd=4, bty="l", cex.axis=1.5, cex.lab=1.5))
#segments(0, 0, .0, tabmat[2,1], lwd=4)
#segments(0, tabmat[2,1], 50, tabmat[2,1], lwd=4)
#segments(50, tabmat[2,1], 50, 0, lwd=4)
#segments(50, tabmat[2,2], 50, tabmat[2,1], lwd=4)
#segments(50, tabmat[2,2], 100, tabmat[2,2], lwd=4)
#segments(100, tabmat[2,2], 100, 0, lwd=4)
#mtext("b",line=-1, at=90)
## End(Not run)
```

logisticbyx

Logistic as a function of covariates

### **Description**

treats logistic as a function of covariates; for a given covariate combination it computes function at with those covariate values at a range of distances

#### Usage

```
logisticbyx(distance, x, models, beta, point)
```

### **Arguments**

distance vector of distance values

x covariate data models model list

beta logistic parameters

point TRUE if a point transect model

#### Value

vector of probabilities

#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

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logisticbyz

Logistic as a function of distance

#### **Description**

Treats logistic as a function of distance; for a given distance it computes function at all covariate values in data.

### Usage

```
logisticbyz(x, distance, models, beta)
```

### **Arguments**

x covariate data

distance single distance value

models model list

beta logistic parameters

#### Value

vector of probabilities

#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

logisticdetfct

Logistic detection function

# Description

Logistic detection function

### Usage

```
logisticdetfct(distance, theta, w, std = FALSE)
```

### **Arguments**

distance perpendicular distance vector

theta scale parameters
w scale covariate matrix
std if TRUE uses scale=1

The routine returns a vector of probabilities that the observation were detected given they were at the specified distance and assuming that g(0)=1 (ie a standard

line transect detection function).

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logisticdupbyx Logistic for duplicates as a function of covariates	
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## Description

Treats logistic for duplicates as a function of covariate z; for a given z it computes the function at with those covariate values at a range of distances.

## Usage

```
logisticdupbyx(distance, x1, x2, models, beta, point)
```

#### **Arguments**

distance vector of distance values
x1 covariate data for fct 1
x2 covariate data for fct 2

models model list

beta logistic parameters

point TRUE for point transect data

### Value

vector of probabilities

#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

### **Description**

As logisticdupbyx, but faster when distance is a covariate (but no interactions with distance occur.

## Usage

```
logisticdupbyx_fast(distance, x1, x2, models, beta, point, beta_distance)
```

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## Arguments

distance vector of distance values

x1 linear predictor for 1, without distancex2 linear predictor for 2, without distance

models model list

beta logistic parameters

point TRUE for point transect data

beta\_distance parameter for distance

## Author(s)

David L Miller

logit Logit function

# Description

Computes logit transformation.

# Usage

logit(p)

# Arguments

p probability

## Value

logit(p) returns [log(p/(1-p))]

## Author(s)

Jeff Laake

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log-likelihood value for a fitted detection function

### Description

Extract the log-likelihood from a fitted detection function.

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ddf'
logLik(object, ...)
```

#### Arguments

```
object a fitted detection function model object ... included for S3 completeness, but ignored
```

#### Value

a numeric value giving the log-likelihood with two attributes: "df" the "degrees of freedom" for the model (number of parameters) and "nobs" the number of observations used to fit the model

### Author(s)

David L Miller

mcds

MCDS function definition

### **Description**

Creates model formula list for multiple covariate distance sampling using values supplied in call to ddf

### Usage

```
mcds(
  formula = NULL,
  key = NULL,
  adj.series = NULL,
  adj.order = c(NULL),
  adj.scale = "width",
  adj.exp = FALSE,
  shape.formula = ~1
)
```

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## **Arguments**

formula	formula for scale function
key	string identifying key function (currently either "hn" (half-normal), "hr" (hazard-rate), "unif" (uniform) or "gamma" (gamma distribution)
adj.series	string identifying adjustment functions cos (Cosine), herm (Hermite polynomials), poly (simple polynomials) or NULL
adj.order	vector of order of adjustment terms to include
adj.scale	whether to scale the adjustment terms by "width" or "scale"
adj.exp	if TRUE uses $\exp(adj)$ for adjustment to keep $f(x)>0$
shape.formula	formula for shape function

#### Value

A formula list used to define the detection function model

fct	string "mcds"
key	key function string
adj.series	adjustment function string
adj.order	adjustment function orders
adj.scale	adjustment function scale type
formula	formula for scale function
shape.formula	formula for shape function

#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake; Dave Miller

MCDS.exe Run MCDS.exe as a backend for mrds
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### **Description**

Rather than use the R-based detection function fitting algorithms provided in 'mrds', one can also use the algorithm used by Distance for Windows, implemented in the binary file 'MCDS.exe'. Note that with changes in R-based optimizer introduced in 'mrds' version 3.0.0 this is unlikely to result in better estimates. The option remains available, although it may be deprecated in a future release. To make use of this facility, one must first download the 'MCDS.exe' binary, as laid out below under 'Obtaining MCDS.exe'. Once the binary is installed, calls to 'ddf' will, by default, result in using the model being fit using both 'MCDS.exe' and the R-based algorithm, and the one with lower negative log-likelihood being selected. In almost all cases, both algorithms produce the same results, but we have found edge where one or other fails to find the likelihood maximum and hence trying both is useful.

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#### **Details**

There may also be cases where the 'MCDS.exe' algorithm is faster than the R-based one. Under this circumstance, you can choose to run only the 'MCDS.exe' algorithm via by setting the 'ddf' argument control=list(optimizer='MCDS'). For completeness, one can also choose to use only the R-based algorithm by setting control=list(optimizer='R').

For more information and examples comparing the R-based and 'MCDS.exe' algorithms, see our examples pages at https://examples.distancesampling.org/

If you are running a non-Windows operating system, you can follow the instructions below to have 'MCDS.exe' run using 'wine'.

#### **Obtaining MCDS.exe**

The following code can be used to download 'MCDS.exe' from the distance sampling website: download.file("http://distancesampling.org/R/MCDS.exe", paste0(system.file(package="mrds"),"/MCDS.exmode = "wb") The MCDS binary will be installed to the main directory of your your local R mrds library. Alternatively, you can copy the 'MCDS.exe' from your local Distance for Windows installation if you prefer. The location of your local mrds library main directory can be found by running the following in R: system.file("MCDS.exe", package="mrds").

#### Running MCDS.exe on non-Windows platforms

This has been tentatively tested on a mac but should currently be considered largely experimental.

One can still use MCDS.exe even if you are running a mac computer. To do this one will need to install 'wine' a Windows emulator. It is important to use a version of 'wine' which can run 32-bit programs.

The package will attempt to work out which 'wine' binary to use (and detect if it is installed), but this doesn't always work. In this case, the location of the 'wine' binary can be specified in the 'control' 'list' provided to 'ddf' using the 'winebin' element or supply the 'winebin' argument to the 'ds' function. For example, if 'wine' is installed at '/usr/bin/local/wine' you can set 'control\$winebin' to that location to use that binary.

On macOS, this can be achieved using the 'homebrew' package management system and installing the 'wine-crossover' package. You may need to change the control\$winebin to be 'wine', 'wine64' or 'wine32on64', depending on your system's setup. This package tries to work out what to do, but likely doesn't handle all corner cases. Currently this is untested on Mac M1 systems.

## Stopping using MCDS.exe

Once this feature is enabled, using 'ddf' will by default run both its built-in R optimizer and 'MCDS.exe'. To disable this behaviour, specify which you wish to use with via the optimizer= option described above. Alternatively, if you wish to permanently stop using MCDS.exe, remove the 'MCDS.exe' binary file. You can find which folder it is in by running the following in R: system.file("MCDS.exe", package="mrds").

#### Author(s)

David L Miller and Jonah McArthur

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Tips on optimisation issues in mrds models

#### **Description**

Occasionally when fitting an 'mrds' model one can run into optimisation issues. In general such problems can be quite complex so these "quick fixes" may not work. If you come up against problems that are not fixed by these tips, or you feel the results are dubious please go ahead and contact the package authors.

#### Debug mode

One can obtain debug output at each stage of the optimisation using the showit option. This is set via control, so adding control=list(showit=3) gives the highest level of debug output (setting showit to 1 or 2 gives less output).

#### **Re-scaling covariates**

Sometimes convergence issues in covariate (MCDS) models are caused by values of the covariate being very large, so a rescaling of that covariate is then necessary. Simply scaling by the standard deviation of the covariate can help (e.g. dat\$size.scaled <- dat\$scale/sd(dat\$scale) for a covariate size, then including size.scaled in the model instead of size).

It is important to note that one needs to use the original covariate (size) when computing Horvitz-Thompson estimates of population size if the group size is used in that estimate. i.e. use the unscaled size in the numerator of the H-T estimator.

#### **Factor levels**

By default R will set the base factor level to be the label which comes first alphabetically. Sometimes this can be an issue when that factor level corresponds to a subset of the data with very few observations. This can lead to very large uncertainty estimates (CVs) for model parameters. One way around this is to use relevel to set the base level to a level with more observations.

#### **Initial values**

Initial (or starting) values for the dsmodel can be set via the initial element of the control list. initial is a list itself with elements scale, shape and adjustment, corresponding to the associated parameters. If a model has covariates then the scale or shape elements will be vectors with parameter initial values in the same order as they are specific in the model formula (using showit is a good check they are in the correct order). Adjustment starting values are in order of the order of that term (cosine order 2 is before cosine order 3 terms).

One way of obtaining starting values is to fit a simpler model first (say with fewer covariates or adjustments) and then use the starting values from this simpler model for the corresponding parameters.

Another alternative to obtain starting values is to fit the model (or some submodel) using Distance for Windows. Note that Distance reports the scale parameter (or intercept in a covariate model) on the exponential scale, so one must log this before supplying it to ddf.

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#### **Bounds**

One can change the upper and lower bounds for the dsmodel parameters. These specify the largest and smallest values individual parameters can be. By placing these constraints on the parameters, it is possible to "temper" the optimisation problem, making fitting possible.

Again, one uses the control list, the elements upperbounds and lowerbounds. In this case, each of upperbounds and lowerbounds are vectors, which one can think of as each of the vectors shape, scale and adjustment from the "Initial values" section above, concatenated in that order. If one does not occur (e.g. no shape parameter) then it is simple omitted from the vector.

#### Conventional distance sampling optimizer choice

The key function plus adjustment approach of Conventional Distance Sampling (CDS) can sometimes run into issues because it is sensible to constrain the fitted detection function to be monotonic non-increasing (i.e., flat or going down) with increasing distance - finding the maximum of the constrained likelihood is more difficult than the same task without constraints.

There are several options within the 'ddf' control argument that may help if difficulties are encountered. These are documented in the ddf manual page, and a few are mentioned below.

One potential strategy (as mentioned above) is to use better starting values for the optimization. If mono.startvals is set to TRUE then the detection function is first fit without adjustments and the resulting scale (and shape) estimates used as starting values in the model with adjustments. For even finer control, the initial option can be used as documented above.

Another potential thing to change is the constraint solver used. From 'mrds' v 3.0.0 a new constraint solver, 'slsqp', has been included as the default. This was found to work better than the solver previously used ('solnp') but if needed this solver can be specified using the mono.method option of the control argument of 'ddf'.

It is also possible to use the optimizer implemented in Distance for Windows by downloading a separate binary - see the manual page on mcds\_dot\_exe. If specified, this will also be used for Multiple Covariate Distance Sampling (MCDS) analyses.

## Author(s)

David L. Miller <dave@ninepointeightone.net>

**NCovered** 

Compute estimated abundance in covered (sampled) region

### **Description**

Generic function that computes abundance within the covered region. It calls method (class) specific functions for the computation.

#### Usage

```
NCovered(par, model = NULL, group = TRUE)
```

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### **Arguments**

par parameter values (used when computing derivatives wrt parameter uncertainty);

if NULL parameter values in model are used

model ddf model object

group if TRUE computes group abundance and if FALSE individual abundance

#### Value

abundance estimate

### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

nlminb\_wrapper

Wrapper around nlminb

#### **Description**

This is a wrapper around nlminb to use scaling, as this is not available in optimx.

### Usage

```
nlminb_wrapper(
  par,
  11,
  ugr = NULL,
  lower = NULL,
  upper = NULL,
  mcontrol,
  hess = NULL,
  ddfobj,
  data,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

par starting parameters

11 log likelihood function
ugr gradient function

lower bounds on parameters upper upper bounds on parameters

mcontrol control options
hess hessian function

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ddfobj detection function specification object

data the data

... anything else to pass to 11

#### Value

optimx object

## Author(s)

David L Miller, modified from optimx.run by JC Nash, R Varadhan, G Grothendieck.

p. det Double-platform detection probability

## Description

Computes detection probability for detection function computed from mark-recapture data with possibly different link functions.

## Usage

```
p.det(dpformula, dplink, dppars, dpdata)
```

## Arguments

dpformula for detection function

dplink link function ("logit", "loglog", "cloglog")

dppars parameter vector dpdata double platform data

### Value

vector of predicted detection probabilities

## Author(s)

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Distribution of probabilities of detection

#### **Description**

Generate a table of frequencies of probability of detection from a detection function model. This is particularly useful when employing covariates, as it can indicate if there are detections with very small detection probabilities that can be unduly influential when calculating abundance estimates.

### Usage

```
p.dist.table(object, bins = seq(0, 1, by = 0.1), proportion = FALSE)
p_dist_table(object, bins = seq(0, 1, by = 0.1), proportion = FALSE)
```

### **Arguments**

object fitted detection function

bins how the results should be binned

proportion should proportions be returned as well as counts?

#### **Details**

Because dht uses a Horvitz-Thompson-like estimator, abundance estimates can be sensitive to errors in the estimated probabilities. The estimator is based on  $\sum 1/\hat{P}_a(z_i)$ , which means that the sensitivity is greater for smaller detection probabilities. As a rough guide, we recommend that the method be not used if more than say 5% of the  $\hat{P}_a(z_i)$  are less than 0.2, or if any are less than 0.1. If these conditions are violated, the truncation distance w can be reduced. This causes some loss of precision relative to standard distance sampling without covariates.

#### Value

a data. frame with probability bins, counts and (optionally) proportions. The object has an attribute p\_range which contains the range of estimated detection probabilities

## Author(s)

David L Miller

#### References

Marques, F.F.C. and S.T. Buckland. 2004. Covariate models for the detection function. In: Advanced Distance Sampling, eds. S.T. Buckland, D.R. Anderson, K.P. Burnham, J.L. Laake, D.L. Borchers, and L. Thomas. Oxford University Press.

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## **Examples**

parse.optimx

Parse optimx results and present a nice object

## Description

Take the resulting object from a call to optimx and make it into an object that mrds wants to talk to.

#### Usage

```
parse.optimx(lt, lnl.last, par.last)
```

# Arguments

1t an optimx object

lnl.last last value of the log likelihood

par.last last value of the parameters

#### Value

1t object that can be used later on

```
pdot.dsr.integrate.logistic
```

Compute probability that a object was detected by at least one observer

### Description

Computes probability that a object was detected by at least one observer (pdot or p\_.) for a logistic detection function that contains distance.

## Usage

```
pdot.dsr.integrate.logistic(
    right,
    width,
    beta,
    X,
    integral.numeric,
    BT,
    models,
    GAM = FALSE,
    rem = FALSE,
    point = FALSE
)
```

### Arguments

right either an integration range for binned data (vector of 2) or the rightmost value

for integration (from 0 to right)

width transect width

beta parameters of logistic detection function

x data matrix

integral.numeric

set to TRUE unless data are binned (done in this fct) or the model is such that distance is not linear (eg distance^2), If integral.numeric is FALSE it will compute the integral analytically. It should only be FALSE if is.linear.logistic function is

TRUE.

BT FALSE except for the trial configuration; BT stands for Buckland-Turnock who

initially proposed a trial configuration for dual observers

models list of models including g@model

GAM Not used at present. The idea was to be able to use a GAM for g(0) portion of

detection function; should always be F

rem only TRUE for the removal configuration but not used and could be removed if

pulled from the function calls. Originally thought the pdot integral would differ but it is the same as the io formula. The only thing that differs with removal is

that p(2|1)=1. Observer 2 sees everything seen by observer 1,

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```
point TRUE for point transects
```

### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

plot.det.tables Observation detection tables

### **Description**

Plot the tables created by det.tables. Produces a series of tables for dual observer data that shows the number missed and detected for each observer within defined distance classes.

### Usage

```
## $3 method for class 'det.tables'
plot(
    x,
    which = 1:6,
    angle = NULL,
    density = NULL,
    col1 = "white",
    col2 = "lightgrey",
    new = TRUE,
    ...
)
```

#### **Arguments**

```
x object returned by det.tables
which items in x to plot (vector with values in 1:6)
angle shading angle for hatching
density shading density for hatching
col1 plotting colour for total histogram bars.
col2 plotting colour for subset histogram bars.
new if TRUE new plotting window for each plot
... other graphical parameters, passed to plotting functions
```

# Details

Plots that are produced are as follows (controlled by the which argument):

- 1 Detected by either observer/Detected by observer 1
- 2 Detected by either observer/Detected by observer 2

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- 3 Seen by both observers
- 4 Seen by either observer
- **5** Detected by observer 2/Detected by observer 1 | 2
- 6 Detected by observer 1/Detected by observer 2 | 1

#### Value

Just plots.

#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake, David L Miller

### **Examples**

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Plot fit of detection functions and histograms of data from distance sampling model

## Description

Plots the fitted detection function(s) with a histogram of the observed distances to compare visually the fitted model and data.

### Usage

```
## $3 method for class 'ds'
plot(
    x,
    which = 2,
    breaks = NULL,
    nc = NULL,
    jitter.v = rep(0, 3),
    showpoints = TRUE,
    subset = NULL,
```

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```
pl.col = "lightgrey",
pl.den = NULL,
pl.ang = NULL,
main = NULL,
pages = 0,
pdf = FALSE,
ylim = NULL,
xlab = "Distance",
ylab = NULL,
...
)
```

# Arguments

x fitted model from ddf.

which index to specify which plots should be produced:

- 1 histogram of observed distances
- 2 histogram of observed distances with fitted line and points (default)

breaks	user defined breakpoints
nc	number of equal width bins for histogram
jitter.v	apply jitter to points by multiplying the fitted value by a random draw from a normal distribution with mean 1 and sd jitter.v.
showpoints	logical variable; if TRUE plots predicted value for each observation (conditional on its observed distance).
subset	subset of data to plot.
pl.col	colour for histogram bars.
pl.den	shading density for histogram bars.
pl.ang	shading angle for histogram bars.
main	plot title.
pages	the number of pages over which to spread the plots. For example, if pages=1 then all plots will be displayed on one page. Default is 0, which prompts the user for the next plot to be displayed.
pdf	plot the histogram of distances with the PDF of the probability of detection overlaid. Ignored (with warning) for line transect models.
ylim	vertical axis limits.
xlab	horizontal axis label (defaults to "Distance").
ylab	vertical axis label (default automatically set depending on plot type).
• • •	other graphical parameters, passed to the plotting functions (plot, hist, lines, points, etc).

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#### **Details**

The structure of the histogram can be controlled by the user-defined arguments nc or breaks. The observation specific detection probabilities along with the line representing the fitted average detection probability.

It is not intended for the user to call plot.ds but its arguments are documented here. Instead the generic plot command should be used and it will call the appropriate function based on the class of the ddf object.

#### Value

Just plots.

#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake, Jon Bishop, David Borchers, David L Miller

### See Also

```
add_df_covar_line
```

#### **Examples**

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Plot fit of detection functions and histograms of data from distance sampling independent observer (io) model

#### **Description**

Plots the fitted detection functions for a distance sampling model and histograms of the distances (for unconditional detection functions) or proportion of observations detected within distance intervals (for conditional detection functions) to compare visually the fitted model and data.

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#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'io'
plot(
  Х,
 which = 1:6,
  breaks = NULL,
  nc = NULL,
  maintitle = "",
  showlines = TRUE,
  showpoints = TRUE,
  ylim = c(0, 1),
  angle = NULL,
  density = NULL,
  col = "lightgrey",
  jitter = NULL,
  divisions = 25,
  pages = 0,
  xlab = "Distance",
  ylab = "Detection probability",
  subtitle = TRUE,
)
```

### **Arguments**

x fitted model from ddfwhich index to specify which plots should be produced.

- Plot primary unconditional detection function
- 2 Plot secondary unconditional detection function
- 3 Plot pooled unconditional detection function
- 4 Plot duplicate unconditional detection function
- 5 Plot primary conditional detection function
- 6 Plot secondary conditional detection function

Note that the order of which is ignored and plots are produced in the above order.

breaks user define breakpoints

nc number of equal-width bins for histogram

maintitle main title line for each plot

showlines logical variable; if TRUE a line representing the average detection probability is

plotted

showpoints logical variable; if TRUE plots predicted value for each observation

ylim range of vertical axis; defaults to (0,1) angle shading angle for histogram bars.

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density shading density for histogram bars.

col colour for histogram bars.

jitter scaling option for plotting points. Jitter is applied to points by multiplying the

fitted value by a random draw from a normal distribution with mean 1 and sd

jitter.

divisions number of divisions for averaging line values; default = 25

pages the number of pages over which to spread the plots. For example, if pages=1

then all plots will be displayed on one page. Default is 0, which prompts the

user for the next plot to be displayed.

xlab label for x-axis ylab label for y-axis

subtitle if TRUE, shows plot type as sub-title

.. other graphical parameters, passed to the plotting functions (plot, hist, lines,

points, etc)

#### **Details**

The structure of the histogram can be controlled by the user-defined arguments nc or breaks. The observation specific detection probabilities along with the line representing the fitted average detection probability.

It is not intended for the user to call plot.io.fi but its arguments are documented here. Instead the generic plot command should be used and it will call the appropriate function based on the class of the ddf object.

#### Value

Just plots

#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake, Jon Bishop, David Borchers, David L Miller

## **Examples**

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Plot fit of detection functions and histograms of data from distance sampling independent observer model with full independence (io.fi)

### **Description**

Plots the fitted detection functions for a distance sampling model and histograms of the distances (for unconditional detection functions) or proportion of observations detected within distance intervals (for conditional detection functions) to compare visually the fitted model and data.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'io.fi'
plot(
  Х,
 which = 1:6,
 breaks = NULL,
  nc = NULL,
 maintitle = "",
  showlines = TRUE,
  showpoints = TRUE,
 ylim = c(0, 1),
  angle = NULL,
  density = NULL,
  col = "lightgrey",
  jitter = NULL,
  divisions = 25,
  pages = 0,
  xlab = "Distance",
 ylab = "Detection probability",
  subtitle = TRUE,
)
```

### **Arguments**

x which fitted model from ddf

index to specify which plots should be produced.

- 1 Plot primary unconditional detection function
- 2 Plot secondary unconditional detection function
- 3 Plot pooled unconditional detection function
- 4 Plot duplicate unconditional detection function
- 5 Plot primary conditional detection function
- 6 Plot secondary conditional detection function

Note that the order of which is ignored and plots are produced in the above order.

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breaks user define breakpoints

nc number of equal-width bins for histogram

maintitle main title line for each plot

showlines logical variable; if TRUE a line representing the average detection probability is

plotted

showpoints logical variable; if TRUE plots predicted value for each observation

ylim range of vertical axis; defaults to (0,1) angle shading angle for histogram bars.

col colour for histogram bars.

jitter scaling option for plotting points. Jitter is applied to points by multiplying the

fitted value by a random draw from a normal distribution with mean 1 and sd

jitter.

divisions number of divisions for averaging line values; default = 25

shading density for histogram bars.

pages the number of pages over which to spread the plots. For example, if pages=1

then all plots will be displayed on one page. Default is 0, which prompts the

user for the next plot to be displayed.

xlab label for x-axis ylab label for y-axis

subtitle if TRUE, shows plot type as sub-title

.. other graphical parameters, passed to the plotting functions (plot, hist, lines,

points, etc)

#### **Details**

density

The structure of the histogram can be controlled by the user-defined arguments nc or breaks. The observation specific detection probabilities along with the line representing the fitted average detection probability.

It is not intended for the user to call plot.io.fi but its arguments are documented here. Instead the generic plot command should be used and it will call the appropriate function based on the class of the ddf object.

### Value

Just plots.

### Author(s)

Jeff Laake, Jon Bishop, David Borchers, David L Miller

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### **Examples**

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Plot fit of detection functions and histograms of data from removal distance sampling model

# **Description**

Plots the fitted detection functions for a distance sampling model and histograms of the distances (for unconditional detection functions) or proportion of observations detected within distance intervals (for conditional detection functions) to compare visually the fitted model and data.

```
## S3 method for class 'rem'
plot(
  which = 1:3,
  breaks = NULL.
  nc = NULL,
  maintitle = "",
  showlines = TRUE,
  showpoints = TRUE,
  ylim = c(0, 1),
  angle = NULL,
  density = NULL,
  col = "lightgrey",
  jitter = NULL,
  divisions = 25,
  pages = 0,
  xlab = "Distance",
  ylab = "Detection probability",
  subtitle = TRUE,
)
```

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### **Arguments**

x fitted model from ddf

which index to specify which plots should be produced.

Plot primary unconditional detection functionPlot pooled unconditional detection function

3 Plot conditional (1|2) detection function

breaks user define breakpoints

nc number of equal-width bins for histogram

maintitle main title line for each plot

showlines logical variable; if TRUE a line representing the average detection probability is

plotted

showpoints logical variable; if TRUE plots predicted value for each observation

ylim range of vertical axis; defaults to (0,1) angle shading angle for histogram bars. density shading density for histogram bars.

col colour for histogram bars.

jitter scaling option for plotting points. Jitter is applied to points by multiplying the

fitted value by a random draw from a normal distribution with mean 1 and sd

jitter.

divisions number of divisions for averaging line values; default = 25

pages the number of pages over which to spread the plots. For example, if pages=1

then all plots will be displayed on one page. Default is 0, which prompts the

user for the next plot to be displayed.

xlab label for x-axis ylab label for y-axis

subtitle if TRUE, shows plot type as sub-title

... other graphical parameters, passed to the plotting functions (plot, hist, lines,

points, etc)

# Details

The structure of the histogram can be controlled by the user-defined arguments nc or breaks. The observation specific detection probabilities along with the line representing the fitted average detection probability.

It is not intended for the user to call plot.rem but its arguments are documented here. Instead the generic plot command should be used and it will call the appropriate function based on the class of the ddf object.

### Author(s)

Jeff Laake, Jon Bishop, David Borchers, David L Miller

plot.rem.fi

plot.rem.fi

Plot fit of detection functions and histograms of data from removal distance sampling model

### **Description**

Plots the fitted detection functions for a distance sampling model and histograms of the distances (for unconditional detection functions) or proportion of observations detected within distance intervals (for conditional detection functions) to compare visually the fitted model and data.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'rem.fi'
plot(
  х,
 which = 1:3,
 breaks = NULL,
  nc = NULL,
 maintitle = "",
  showlines = TRUE,
  showpoints = TRUE,
 ylim = c(0, 1),
  angle = NULL,
  density = NULL,
  col = "lightgrey",
  jitter = NULL,
  divisions = 25,
  pages = 0,
  xlab = "Distance",
 ylab = "Detection probability",
  subtitle = TRUE,
)
```

# **Arguments**

x fitted model from ddfwhich index to specify which plots should be produced.

- 1 Plot primary unconditional detection function
- 2 Plot pooled unconditional detection function
- 3 Plot conditional (1|2) detection function

breaks user defined breakpoints

nc number of equal-width bins for histogram

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maintitle main title line for each plot

showlines logical variable; if TRUE a line representing the average detection probability is

plotted

showpoints logical variable; if TRUE plots predicted value for each observation

ylim range of vertical axis; defaults to (0,1) angle shading angle for histogram bars. density shading density for histogram bars.

col colour for histogram bars.

jitter scaling option for plotting points. Jitter is applied to points by multiplying the

fitted value by a random draw from a normal distribution with mean 1 and sd

jitter

divisions number of divisions for averaging line values; default = 25

pages the number of pages over which to spread the plots. For example, if pages=1

then all plots will be displayed on one page. Default is 0, which prompts the

user for the next plot to be displayed.

xlab label for x-axis ylab label for y-axis

subtitle if TRUE, shows plot type as sub-title

... other graphical parameters, passed to the plotting functions (plot, hist, lines,

points, etc)

# **Details**

The structure of the histogram can be controlled by the user-defined arguments nc or breaks. The observation specific detection probabilities along with the line representing the fitted average detection probability.

It is not intended for the user to call plot.rem.fi but its arguments are documented here. Instead the generic plot command should be used and it will call the appropriate function based on the class of the ddf object.

#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake, Jon Bishop, David Borchers, David L Miller

plot.trial	Plot fit of detection functions and histograms of data from distance
	sampling trial observer model

### **Description**

Plots the fitted detection functions for a distance sampling model and histograms of the distances (for unconditional detection functions) or proportion of observations detected within distance intervals (for conditional detection functions) to compare visually the fitted model and data.

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### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'trial'
plot(
  Х,
 which = 1:2,
 breaks = NULL,
  nc = NULL,
  maintitle = "".
  showlines = TRUE,
  showpoints = TRUE,
  ylim = c(0, 1),
  angle = NULL,
  density = NULL,
  col = "lightgrey",
  jitter = NULL,
  divisions = 25,
  pages = 0,
  xlab = "Distance",
  ylab = "Detection probability",
  subtitle = TRUE,
)
```

# Arguments

x fitted model from ddfwhich index to specify which plots should be produced.

- 1 Unconditional detection function for observer 1
- 2 Conditional detection function plot (1|2)

breaks user define breakpoints

nc number of equal-width bins for histogram

maintitle main title line for each plot

showlines logical variable; if TRUE a line representing the average detection probability is

plotted

showpoints logical variable; if TRUE plots predicted value for each observation

ylim range of vertical axis; defaults to (0,1) angle shading angle for histogram bars. density shading density for histogram bars.

col colour for histogram bars.

jitter scaling option for plotting points. Jitter is applied to points by multiplying the

fitted value by a random draw from a normal distribution with mean 1 and sd

jitter.

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divisions	number of divisions for averaging line values; default = 25
pages	the number of pages over which to spread the plots. For example, if pages=1 then all plots will be displayed on one page. Default is 0, which prompts the user for the next plot to be displayed.
xlab	label for x-axis
ylab	label for y-axis
subtitle	if TRUE, shows plot type as sub-title
•••	other graphical parameters, passed to the plotting functions (plot, hist, lines, points, etc)

### **Details**

The structure of the histogram can be controlled by the user-defined arguments nc or breaks. The observation specific detection probabilities along with the line representing the fitted average detection probability.

It is not intended for the user to call plot.io.fi but its arguments are documented here. Instead the generic plot command should be used and it will call the appropriate function based on the class of the ddf object.

### Author(s)

Jeff Laake, Jon Bishop, David Borchers

plot.trial.fi	Plot fit of detection functions and histograms of data from distance
	sampling trial observer model

### **Description**

Plots the fitted detection functions for a distance sampling model and histograms of the distances (for unconditional detection functions) or proportion of observations detected within distance intervals (for conditional detection functions) to compare visually the fitted model and data.

```
## S3 method for class 'trial.fi'
plot(
    x,
    which = 1:2,
    breaks = NULL,
    nc = NULL,
    maintitle = "",
    showlines = TRUE,
    showpoints = TRUE,
    ylim = c(0, 1),
```

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```
angle = NULL,
density = NULL,
col = "lightgrey",
jitter = NULL,
divisions = 25,
pages = 0,
xlab = "Distance",
ylab = "Detection probability",
subtitle = TRUE,
...
)
```

### **Arguments**

x fitted model from ddf

which index to specify which plots should be produced.

1 Unconditional detection function for observer 1

2 Conditional detection function plot (1|2)

breaks user define breakpoints

nc number of equal-width bins for histogram

maintitle main title line for each plot

showlines logical variable; if TRUE a line representing the average detection probability is

plotted

showpoints logical variable; if TRUE plots predicted value for each observation

ylim range of vertical axis; defaults to (0,1) angle shading angle for histogram bars.

density shading density for histogram bars.

col colour for histogram bars.

jitter scaling option for plotting points. Jitter is applied to points by multiplying the

fitted value by a random draw from a normal distribution with mean 1 and sd

jitter.

divisions number of divisions for averaging line values; default = 25

pages the number of pages over which to spread the plots. For example, if pages=1

then all plots will be displayed on one page. Default is 0, which prompts the

user for the next plot to be displayed.

xlab label for x-axis ylab label for y-axis

subtitle if TRUE, shows plot type as sub-title

... other graphical parameters, passed to the plotting functions (plot, hist, lines,

points, etc)

plot\_cond

# **Details**

The structure of the histogram can be controlled by the user-defined arguments nc or breaks. The observation specific detection probabilities along with the line representing the fitted average detection probability.

It is not intended for the user to call plot.io.fi but its arguments are documented here. Instead the generic plot command should be used and it will call the appropriate function based on the class of the ddf object.

### Author(s)

Jeff Laake, Jon Bishop, David Borchers

plot\_cond

Plot conditional detection function from distance sampling model

### **Description**

Plot proportion of observations detected within distance intervals (for conditional detection functions) to compare visually the fitted model and data. Internal function called by plot methods.

```
plot_cond(
 obs,
  xmat,
 gxvalues,
 model,
 nc,
 breaks,
  finebr,
  showpoints,
  showlines,
 maintitle,
 ylim,
  angle = -45,
  density = 20,
  col = "black",
  jitter = NULL,
 xlab = "Distance",
 ylab = "Detection probability",
  subtitle = TRUE,
)
```

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#### **Arguments**

obs observer code xmat processed data

gxvalues detection function values for each observation

model fitted model from ddf

nc number of equal-width bins for histogram

breaks user define breakpoints

finebr fine break values over which line is averaged

showpoints logical variable; if TRUE plots predicted value for each observation

showlines logical variable; if TRUE plots average predicted value line

maintitle main title line for each plot
ylim range of y axis (default c(0,1))
angle shading angle for hatching
density shading density for hatching

col plotting colour

jitter scaling option for plotting points. Jitter is applied to points by multiplying the

fitted value by a random draw from a normal distribution with mean 1 and sd

jitter.

xlab label for x-axis ylab label for y-axis

subtitle if TRUE, shows plot type as sub-title

.. other graphical parameters, passed to the plotting functions (plot, hist, lines,

points, etc)

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake, Jon Bishop, David Borchers

plot\_layout Layout for plot methods in mrds

# Description

This function does the paging, using devAskNewPage(). This means we can just call plots and R will make the prompt for us Warning, this function has side effects! It modifies devAskNewPage!

```
plot_layout(which, pages)
```

plot\_uncond

### **Arguments**

which which plots are to be created

pages number of pages to span the plots across

### **Details**

Code is stolen and modified from plot. R in mgcv by Simon Wood

# Author(s)

David L. Miller, based on code by Simon N. Wood

plot\_uncond

Plot unconditional detection function from distance sampling model

# **Description**

Plots unconditional detection function for observer=obs observations overlays histogram, average detection function and values for individual observations data. Internal function called by plot methods.

```
plot_uncond(
 model,
  obs,
 xmat,
 gxvalues,
  nc,
  finebr,
 breaks,
  showpoints,
  showlines,
 maintitle,
 ylim,
  return.lines = FALSE,
  angle = -45,
  density = 20,
  col = "black",
  jitter = NULL,
 xlab = "Distance",
 ylab = "Detection probability",
  subtitle = TRUE,
)
```

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### **Arguments**

model fitted model from ddf

obs value of observer for plot

xmat processed data

gxvalues detection function values for each observation

nc number of equal-width bins for histogram

finebr fine break values over which line is averaged

breaks user define breakpoints

showpoints logical variable; if TRUE plots predicted value for each observation

showlines logical variable; if TRUE plots average predicted value line

maintitle main title line for each plot

ylim range of y axis; defaults to (0,1)

return.lines if TRUE, returns values for line

angle shading angle for hatching

density shading density for hatching

col plotting colour

jitter scaling option for plotting points. Jitter is applied to points by multiplying the

fitted value by a random draw from a normal distribution with mean 1 and sd

jitter.

xlab label for x-axis

ylab label for y-axis

subtitle if TRUE, shows plot type as sub-title

... other graphical parameters, passed to the plotting functions (plot, hist, lines,

points, etc)

# Value

if return.lines==TRUE returns dataframe average.line otherwise just plots

### Author(s)

Jeff Laake, Jon Bishop, David Borchers

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predict.ds

Predictions from mrds models

# **Description**

Predict detection probabilities (or effective strip widths/effective areas of detection) from a fitted distance sampling model using either the original data (i.e. "fitted" values) or using new data.

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ds'
predict(object, newdata=NULL, compute=FALSE,
int.range=NULL, esw=FALSE, se.fit=FALSE, ...)
       ## S3 method for class 'io.fi'
predict(object, newdata=NULL, compute=FALSE,
       int.range=NULL, integrate=FALSE, ...)
       ## S3 method for class 'io'
predict(object, newdata=NULL, compute=FALSE,
       int.range=NULL, ...)
       ## S3 method for class 'trial'
predict(object, newdata=NULL, compute=FALSE,
       int.range=NULL, ...)
       ## S3 method for class 'trial.fi'
predict(object, newdata=NULL, compute=FALSE,
       int.range=NULL, integrate=FALSE, ...)
       ## S3 method for class 'rem'
predict(object, newdata=NULL, compute=FALSE,
       int.range=NULL, ...)
       ## S3 method for class 'rem.fi'
predict(object, newdata=NULL, compute=FALSE,
       int.range=NULL, integrate=FALSE, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

object	ddf model object.
newdata	new data.frame for prediction, this must include a column called "distance".
compute	if TRUE compute values and don't use the fitted values stored in the model object.
int.range	integration range for variable range analysis; either vector or 2 column matrix.
esw	if TRUE, returns effective strip half-width (or effective area of detection for point transect models) integral from 0 to the truncation distance (width) of $p(y)dy$ ; otherwise it returns the integral from 0 to truncation width of $p(y)\pi(y)$ where $\pi(y)=1/w$ for lines and $\pi(y)=2r/w^2$ for points.
se.fit	for *.ds models only, generate standard errors on the predicted probabilities of detection (or ESW if esw=TRUE), stored in the se.fit element
	for S3 consistency
integrate	for *. fi methods, see Details below.

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#### **Details**

The first 4 arguments are the same in each predict function. The latter 2 are specific to certain functions. For line transects, the effective strip half-width (esw=TRUE) is the integral of the fitted detection function over either 0 to W or the specified int.range. The predicted detection probability is the average probability which is simply the integral divided by the distance range. For point transect models, esw=TRUE calculates the effective area of detection (commonly referred to as "nu", this is the integral of 2/width^2 \* rg(r).

Fitted detection probabilities are stored in the model object and these are returned unless compute=TRUE or newdata is specified. compute=TRUE is used to estimate numerical derivatives for use in delta method approximations to the variance.

For method="io.fi" or method="trial.fi" if integrate=FALSE, predict returns the value of the conditional detection probability and if integrate=TRUE, it returns the average conditional detection probability by integrating over x (distance) with respect to a uniform distribution.

Note that the ordering of the returned results when no new data is supplied (the "fitted" values) will not necessarily be the same as the data supplied to ddf, the data (and hence results from predict) will be sorted by object ID (object) then observer ID (observer).

#### Value

For all but the exceptions below, the value is a list with a single element: fitted, a vector of average detection probabilities or esw values for each observation in the original data ornewdata

For predict.ds, if se.fit=TRUE there is an additional element \$se.fit, which contains the standard errors of the probabilities of detection or ESW.

For predict.io.fi,predict.trial.fi,predict.rem.fi with integrate=TRUE, the value is a list with one element: fitted, which is a vector of integrated (average) detection probabilities for each observation in the original data or newdata.

For predict.io.fi, predict.trial.fi, or predict.rem.fi with integrate=FALSE, the value is a list with the following elements:

fitted p(y) values

p1  $p_{1|2}(y)$ , conditional detection probability for observer 1

p2  $p_{2|1}(y)$ , conditional detection probability for observer 2

fitted  $p_{\cdot}(y) = p_{1|2}(y) + p_{2|1}(y) - p_{1|2}(y) * p_{2|1}(y)$ , conditional detection probability of being seen by either observer

### Note

Each function is called by the generic function predict for the appropriate ddf model object. They can be called directly by the user, but it is typically safest to use predict which calls the appropriate function based on the type of model.

#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake, David L Miller

print.ddf.gof

### See Also

```
ddf, summary.ds, plot.ds
```

print.ddf

Simple pretty printer for distance sampling analyses

# **Description**

Simply prints out summary of the model which was fitted. For more detailed information see summary.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ddf' print(x, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

x a ddf object

... not passed through, just for S3 compatibility.

# Author(s)

David L. Miller

print.ddf.gof

Prints results of goodness of fit tests for detection functions

# **Description**

Provides formatted output for results of goodness of fit tests: chi-square, Kolmogorv-Smirnov and Cramer-von Mises test as appropriate.

### **Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'ddf.gof'
print(x, digits = 3, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

```
x result of call to ddf.gofdigits number of digits to round chi-squared table values to
```

... unused unspecified arguments for generic print

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# Value

None

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake

# See Also

ddf.gof

print.det.tables

Print results of observer detection tables

# Description

Provides formatted output for detection tables

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'det.tables'
print(x, ...)
```

# Arguments

x result of call to ddf

... unused unspecified arguments for generic print

# Value

None

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake

### See Also

```
plot.det.tables
```

print.p\_dist\_table

print.dht

Prints density and abundance estimates

# **Description**

Outputs summary statistics, abundance and density by region (if any) and optionally a correlation matrix if more than one region.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'dht'
print(x, cor = FALSE, bysample = FALSE, vcmatrices = FALSE, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

x dht object that results from call to dht for a specific ddf object

cor if TRUE outputs correlation matrix of estimates

bysample if TRUE, prints results for each sample

vcmatrices if TRUE, prints variance-covariance matrices

... unspecified and unused arguments for S3 consistency

## Value

None

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake

# See Also

dht

print.p\_dist\_table

Print distribution of probabilities of detection

# **Description**

Just a pretty printer for the table of probabilities of detection.

```
## S3 method for class 'p_dist_table'
print(x, digits = 2, ...)
```

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# Arguments

```
x output from p_dist_table
digits number of significant digits to print
... other arguments to be passed to print.data.frame
```

# Value

just prints the table and the range of ps

# Author(s)

David L Miller

print.summary.ds

Print summary of distance detection function model object

# **Description**

Provides a brief summary of data and fitted detection probability model parameters, model selection criterion, and optionally abundance in the covered (sampled) region and its standard error. What is printed depends on the corresponding call to summary.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'summary.ds'
print(x, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

x a summary of ddf model object

... unspecified and unused arguments for S3 consistency

### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

# See Also

```
summary.ds
```

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print.summary.io

Print summary of distance detection function model object

# **Description**

Provides a brief summary of data and fitted detection probability model parameters, model selection criterion, and optionally abundance in the covered (sampled) region and its standard error. What is printed depends on the corresponding call to summary.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'summary.io'
print(x, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

x a summary of ddf model object

... unspecified and unused arguments for S3 consistency

#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

#### See Also

```
summary.io
```

print.summary.io.fi Print summary of distance detection function model object

# **Description**

Provides a brief summary of data and fitted detection probability model parameters, model selection criterion, and optionally abundance in the covered (sampled) region and its standard error. What is printed depends on the corresponding call to summary.

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'summary.io.fi'
print(x, ...)
```

# Arguments

x a summary of ddf model object

... unspecified and unused arguments for S3 consistency

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### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

### See Also

```
summary.io.fi
```

print.summary.rem

Print summary of distance detection function model object

# Description

Provides a brief summary of data and fitted detection probability model parameters, model selection criterion, and optionally abundance in the covered (sampled) region and its standard error. What is printed depends on the corresponding call to summary.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'summary.rem'
print(x, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

x a summary of ddf model object

... unspecified and unused arguments for S3 consistency

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake

# See Also

```
summary.rem
```

print.summary.trial

```
print.summary.rem.fi Print summary of distance detection function model object
```

# **Description**

Provides a brief summary of data and fitted detection probability model parameters, model selection criterion, and optionally abundance in the covered (sampled) region and its standard error. What is printed depends on the corresponding call to summary.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'summary.rem.fi'
print(x, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

x a summary of ddf model object

... unspecified and unused arguments for S3 consistency

#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

#### See Also

```
summary.rem.fi
```

```
print.summary.trial Print summary of distance detection function model object
```

# **Description**

Provides a brief summary of data and fitted detection probability model parameters, model selection criterion, and optionally abundance in the covered (sampled) region and its standard error. What is printed depends on the corresponding call to summary.

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'summary.trial'
print(x, ...)
```

# Arguments

```
x a summary of ddf model object
```

... unspecified and unused arguments for S3 consistency

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### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

# See Also

```
summary.trial
```

```
print.summary.trial.fi
```

Print summary of distance detection function model object

# Description

Provides a brief summary of data and fitted detection probability model parameters, model selection criterion, and optionally abundance in the covered (sampled) region and its standard error. What is printed depends on the corresponding call to summary.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'summary.trial.fi'
print(x, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

x a summary of ddf model object

... unspecified and unused arguments for S3 consistency

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake

# See Also

```
summary.trial.fi
```

prob.deriv

prob.deriv	Derivatives for variance of average $p$ and average $p(0)$ variance

# Description

Used in call to DeltaMethod from prob.se to get first derivatives

# Usage

```
prob.deriv(par, model, parfct, observer = NULL, fittedmodel = NULL)
```

# Arguments

par detection function parameter values

model ddf model object

parfct function of detection probabilities; currently only average (over covariates) de-

tection probability p integrated over distance or average (over covariates) detec-

tion probability at distance 0; p(0)

observer 1,2,3 for primary, secondary, or duplicates for average p(0); passed to fct

fittedmodel full fitted ddf model when trial.fi or io.fi is called from trial or io re-

spectively

### **Details**

Need to add equations here as I do not think they exist in any of the texts. These should probably be checked with simulation.

## Value

Vector of values from fct at specified parameter values

# Author(s)

Jeff Laake

#### See Also

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Average $p$ and average $p(0)$ variance	age p an	Aver	prob.se
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# Description

Computes components of variance for average p=n/N and average p(0) with weights based on empirical covariate distribution, if it contains covariates.

# Usage

```
prob.se(model, fct, vcov, observer = NULL, fittedmodel = NULL)
```

### **Arguments**

model ddf model object

fct function of detection probabilities; currently only average (over covariates) de-

tection probability p integrated over distance or average (over covariates) detec-

tion probability at distance 0; p(0)

vcov variance-covariance matrix of parameter estimates

observer 1,2,3 for primary, secondary, or duplicates for average p(0); passed to fct

fittedmodel full fitted ddf model when trial.fi or io.fi is called from trial or io re-

spectively

### **Details**

Need to add equations here as I do not think they exist in any of the texts. These should probably be checked with simulation.

#### Value

var variance

partial partial derivatives of parameters with respect to fct

covar covariance of n and average p or p(0)

### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

### See Also

prob.deriv

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process.data

Process data for fitting distance sampling detection function

### **Description**

Sets up dataframe and does some basic error checking. Adds needed fields to dataframe and to meta.data.

# Usage

```
process.data(data, meta.data = list(), check = TRUE)
```

# **Arguments**

data dataframe object

meta.data options; see ddf for a description

check if TRUE check data for errors in the mrds structure; for method="ds" check=FALSE

#### **Details**

The function does a number of error checking tasks, creating fields and adding to meta.data including:

- 1) If check=TRUE, check to make sure the record structure is okay for mrds data. The number of primary records (observer=1) must equal the number of secondary records (observer=2). Also, a field in the dataframe is created timesseen which counts the number of times an object was detected 0,1,2; if timesseen=0 then the record is tossed from the analysis. Also if there are differences in the data (distance, size, covariates) for observer 1 and 2 a warning is issued that the analysis may fail. The code assumes these values are the same for both observers.
- 2) Based on the presence of fields distbegin and distend, a determination is made of whether the data analysis should be based on binned distances and a field binned is created, which is TRUE if the distance for the observation is binned. By assigning for each observation this allows an analysis of a mixture of binned and unbinned distances.
- 4) Data are restricted such that distances are not greater than width and not less than left if those values are specified in meta.data. If they are not specified then left defaults to 0 and width defaults to the largest distance measurement.
- 5) Determine if an integration range (int.begin and int.end has been specified for the observations. If it has, add the structure to meta.data. The integration range is typically used for aerial surveys in which the altitude varies such that the strip width (left to width) changes with a change in altitude.
- 6) Fields defined as factors are cleaned up such that any unused levels are eliminated.
- 7) If the restrictions placed on the data, eliminated all of the data, the function stops with an error message

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#### Value

xmat processed data. frame with added fields

meta.data meta.data list

#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

pronghorn

Pronghorn aerial survey data from Wyoming

### **Description**

Detections of pronghorn from fixed-wing aerial surveys in Southeastern Wyoming using four angular bins defined by strut marks. Illustrates data where altitude above ground level (AGL) varies during the survey.

#### **Format**

A data frame with 660 observations on the following 5 variables.

STRATUM a numeric vector

direction a factor with levels N S representing the survey direction

**AGL** height above ground level

**Band** a factor with levels A B C D which represent angular bands between breaks at 35.42,44.56,51.52,61.02,70.97 degrees. These angles were set based on selected distance bins based on the target AGL.

cluster number of pronghorn in the observed cluster

#### **Details**

Each record is an observed cluster of pronghorn. The data provide the stratum for the observation, the direction of travel, the AGL at the time of the observation, the angular bin which contained the center of the pronghorn cluster(group), and the number of pronghorn in the group. The angular bins were defined by a combination of two window and five wing strut marks to define bin cutpoints for perpendicular ground distances of 0-65, 65-90, 90-115, 115-165 and 165-265 meters when the plane is 300' (91.4 meters) above ground level. The inner band is considered a blind region due to obstruction of view beneath the plane; thus the line is offset 65 meters from underneath the plane.

#### Source

Data provided courtesy of Rich Guenzel of Wyoming Game and Fish.

#### References

Laake, J., R. J. Guenzel, J. L. Bengtson, P. Boveng, M. Cameron, and M. B. Hanson. 2008. Coping with variation in aerial survey protocol for line-transect sampling. Wildlife Research 35:289-298.

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ptdata.distance

Single observer point count data example from Distance

## Description

Single observer point count data example from Distance

### **Format**

The format is 144 obs of 6 variables: distance: numeric distance from center observer: Factor w/ 2 levels "1","2": 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 ... detected: numeric 0/1 object: sequential object number Sample.Label: point label Region.Label: single region label

# Examples

ptdata.dual

Simulated dual observer point count data

# Description

Simulated dual observer point count data with detection p(0)=0.8; hn sigma=30; w=100 for both observers with dependency y>0, gamma=0.1

### **Format**

The format is 420 obs of 6 variables: distance: numeric distance from center observer: Factor w/ 2 levels "1","2": 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 ... detected: numeric 0/1 person: Factor with 2 levels A,B pair: Factor with 2 levels "AB" BA" \$ object : sequential object number

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### **Examples**

ptdata.removal

Simulated removal observer point count data

# **Description**

Simulated removal observer point count data with detection p(0)=0.8; hn sigma=30; w=100 for both observers with dependency y>0, gamma=0.1

#### **Format**

The format is 408 obs of 6 variables: distance: numeric distance from center observer: Factor w/ 2 levels "1","2": 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 ... detected: numeric 0/1 person: Factor with 2 levels A,B pair: Factor with 2 levels "AB" BA" object: sequential object number

### **Examples**

ptdata.single

Simulated single observer point count data

# Description

Simulated single observer point count data with detection p(0)=1; hn sigma=30; w=100

### **Format**

The format is 341 obs of 4 variables: ..\$ distance: numeric distance from center \$ observer: Factor w/ 2 levels "1","2": 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 ... ..\$ detected: numeric 0/1 \$ object : sequential object number

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### **Examples**

qqplot.ddf

Quantile-quantile plot and goodness of fit tests for detection functions

# Description

Constructs a quantile-quantile (Q-Q) plot for fitted model as a graphical check of goodness of fit. Formal goodness of fit testing for detection function models using Kolmogorov-Smirnov and Cramer-von Mises tests. Both tests are based on looking at the quantile-quantile plot produced by qqplot.ddf and deviations from the line x=y.

### Usage

```
qqplot.ddf(model, plot = TRUE, nboot = 100, ks = FALSE, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

model	fitted distance detection function model object
plot	the Q-Q plot be plotted or just report statistics?
nboot	number of replicates to use to calculate p-values for the goodness of fit test statistics
ks	perform the Kolmogorov-Smirnov test (this involves many bootstraps so can take a while)
	additional arguments passed to plot

### **Details**

The Kolmogorov-Smirnov test asks the question "what's the largest vertical distance between a point and the y=x line?" It uses this distance as a statistic to test the null hypothesis that the samples (EDF and CDF in our case) are from the same distribution (and hence our model fits well). If the deviation between the y=x line and the points is too large we reject the null hypothesis and say the model doesn't have a good fit.

Rather than looking at the single biggest difference between the y=x line and the points in the Q-Q plot, we might prefer to think about all the differences between line and points, since there may be many smaller differences that we want to take into account rather than looking for one large deviation. Its null hypothesis is the same, but the statistic it uses is the sum of the deviations from each of the point to the line.

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### Value

A list of goodness of fit related values:

edf	matrix of lower and upper empirical distribution function values
cdf	fitted cumulative distribution function values

ks list with K-S statistic (Dn) and p-value (p)

CvM list with CvM statistic (W) and p-value (p)

#### **Details**

Note that a bootstrap procedure is required to ensure that the p-values from the procedure are correct as the we are comparing the cumulative distribution function (CDF) and empirical distribution function (EDF) and we have estimated the parameters of the detection function.

### Author(s)

Jeff Laake, David L Miller

### References

Burnham, K.P., S.T. Buckland, J.L. Laake, D.L. Borchers, T.A. Marques, J.R.B. Bishop, and L. Thomas. 2004. Further topics in distance sampling. pp: 385-389. In: Advanced Distance Sampling, eds. S.T. Buckland, D.R.Anderson, K.P. Burnham, J.L. Laake, D.L. Borchers, and L. Thomas. Oxford University Press.

#### See Also

ddf.gof, cdf.ds

rem.glm Iterative offset model fitting of mark-recapture with removal model

# Description

Detection function fitting from mark-recapture data with a removal configuration in which a secondary observer knows what the primary observer detects and detects objects missed by the primary observer. The iterative offset glm/gam uses an offset to compensate for the conditioning on the set of objects seen by either observer (eg 00 those missed by both observers are not included in the analysis. This function is similar to io.glm.

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### Usage

```
rem.glm(
  datavec,
  fitformula,
  eps = 1e-05,
  iterlimit = 500,
  GAM = FALSE,
  gamplot = TRUE,
  datavec2
)
```

#### **Arguments**

dataframe containing records seen by either observer 1 or 2

fitformula logit link formula
eps convergence criterion

iterlimit maximum number of iterations allowed

GAM uses GAM instead of GLM for fitting

gamplot set to TRUE to get a gam plot object if GAM=TRUE

dataframe containing all records for observer 1 and observer 2 as in io.glm form;

this is used in case there is an observer(not platform effect)

#### **Details**

The only difference between this function and io.glm is the offset and the data construction because there is only one detection function being estimated for the primary observer. The two functions could be merged.

### Value

```
list of class("remglm", "glm", "lm") or class("remglm", "gam")

glmobj GLM or GAM object

offsetvalue offsetvalues from iterative fit

plotobj gam plot object (if GAM & gamplot==TRUE, else NULL)
```

### Note

currently the code in this function for GAMs has been commented out until the remainder of the mrds package will work with GAMs.

#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

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### References

Buckland, S.T., J.M. breiwick, K.L. Cattanach, and J.L. Laake. 1993. Estimated population size of the California gray whale. Marine Mammal Science, 9:235-249.

Burnham, K.P., S.T. Buckland, J.L. Laake, D.L. Borchers, T.A. Marques, J.R.B. Bishop, and L. Thomas. 2004. Further topics in distance sampling. pp: 360-363. In: Advanced Distance Sampling, eds. S.T. Buckland, D.R.Anderson, K.P. Burnham, J.L. Laake, D.L. Borchers, and L. Thomas. Oxford University Press.

rescale\_pars

Calculate the parameter rescaling for parameters associated with covariates

# **Description**

This will calculate the rescaling needed when covariates to be included in the scale of the detection function are "too big". Based on code from optimx.

# Usage

```
rescale_pars(initialvalues, ddfobj)
```

### **Arguments**

initial values starting values for the optimisation

ddfobj detection function object

### **Details**

Derivative-free methods like nlminb are sensitive to the parameters being poorly scaled. This can also cause problems for quasi-Newton methods too (at least, bad scaling won't \_help\_ the optimisation). So here we rescale the parameters if necessary (unless we already got scaling from control)

#### Author(s)

David L Miller

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Generate data from a fitted detection function and refit the model

# **Description**

Generate data from a fitted detection function and refit the model

### Usage

```
sample_ddf(ds.object)
```

# Arguments

ds.object

a fitted detection function object

#### Note

This function changes the random number generator seed. To avoid any potential side-effects, use something like: seed <-get(".Random.seed",envir=.GlobalEnv) before running code and assign(".Random.seed",seed,envir=.GlobalEnv) after.

# Author(s)

David L. Miller

setbounds

Set parameter bounds

# **Description**

Set values of lower and upper bounds and check lengths of any user-specified values

# Usage

```
setbounds(lowerbounds, upperbounds, initialvalues, ddfobj, width, left)
```

# **Arguments**

lowerbounds vector of lower bounds upperbounds vector of upper bounds

initialvalues vector of initial parameter estimates ddfobj distance detection function object

width truncation distance
left left truncation distance

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#### Value

lower vector of lower bounds upper vector of upper bounds

setlower logical indicating whether user set lower bounds setupper logical indicating whether user set upper bounds

### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

setcov

Creates design matrix for covariates in detection function

### **Description**

This function creates a design matrix for the g(0) or scale covariates using the input model formula. It returns a list which contains 2 elements: 1) dim: the dimension (number of columns) of the design matrix, and 2) cov: the constructed design matrix. This function is relatively simple because it uses the built-in function model.matrix which does the majority of the work. This function handles 2 exceptions "~.", the null model with 0 columns and "~1" the intercept only model - a column of 1s. If a model other than the 2 exceptions is provided, it calls model.matrix to construct the columns. If any of the columns of the design matrix are all 0's the column is removed. This occurs when there is no data for a particular factor.

### Usage

setcov(dmat, model)

### **Arguments**

dmat data matrix model model formula

### Value

a design matrix for the specified data and model

### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

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setinitial.ds	Set initial values for detection function based on distance sampling

# **Description**

For a given detection function, it computes the initial values for the parameters including scale and shape parameters and adjustment function parameters if any. If there are user-defined initial values only the parameters not specified by the user are computed.

# Usage

```
setinitial.ds(ddfobj, width, initial, point, left)
    sethazard(ddfobj, dmat, width, left, point)
```

# **Arguments**

ddfobj	distance detection function object
width	half-width of transect or radius of point count
initial	$list\ of\ user-defined\ initial\ values\ with\ possible\ elements:\ \verb scale ,\ shape ,\ \verb adjustment $
point	if TRUE, point count data; otherwise, line transect data
left	left truncation
dmat	xmat from ddfobj

#### Value

scale	vector of initial scale parameter values
shape	vector of initial shape parameter values
adjustment	vector of initial adjustment function parameter values

### Author(s)

Jeff Laake, David L Miller

	tion of distance sampling data via mixture models Allows one tlate line transect distance sampling data using a mixture of rmal detection functions.
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# **Description**

Simulation of distance sampling data via mixture models Allows one to simulate line transect distance sampling data using a mixture of half-normal detection functions.

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## Usage

```
sim.mix(n, sigma, mix.prop, width, means = 0)
```

# **Arguments**

n number of samples to generate sigma vector of scale parameters

mix.prop vector of mixture proportions (same length as sigma)

width truncation

means vector of means (used to generate wacky, non-monotonic data)

## Value

distances a vector of distances

#### Note

At the moment this is TOTALLY UNSUPPORTED! Please don't use it for anything important!

## Author(s)

David Lawrence Miller

# Description

Tries to invert a matrix by solve. If this fails because of singularity, an eigenvector decomposition is computed, and eigenvalues below 1/cmax are replaced by 1/cmax, i.e., cmax will be the corresponding eigenvalue of the inverted matrix.

# Usage

```
solvecov(m, cmax = 1e+10)
```

# Arguments

m a numeric symmetric matrix.cmax a positive value, see above.

## Value

A list with the following components: inv the inverted matrix, coll TRUE if solve failed because of singularity.

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## **Source**

solvecov code was taken from package fpc: Christian Hennig

## Author(s)

Christian Hennig

#### See Also

solve, eigen

stake77

Wooden stake data from 1977 survey

# Description

Multiple surveys by different observers of a single 1km transect containing 150 wooden stakes placed randomly throughout a 40 m strip (20m on either side).

#### **Format**

A data frame with 150 observations on the following 10 variables.

**StakeNo** unique number for each stake 1-150

PD perpendicular distance at which the stake was placed from the line

Obs1 0/1 whether missed/seen by observer 1

Obs2 0/1 whether missed/seen by observer 2

**Obs3** 0/1 whether missed/seen by observer 3

Obs4 0/1 whether missed/seen by observer 4

**Obs5** 0/1 whether missed/seen by observer 5

Obs6 0/1 whether missed/seen by observer 6

Obs7 0/1 whether missed/seen by observer 7

**Obs8** 0/1 whether missed/seen by observer 8

## Source

Laake, J. 1978. Line transect estimators robust to animal movement. M.S. Thesis. Utah State University, Logan, Utah. 55p.

## References

Burnham, K. P., D. R. Anderson, and J. L. Laake. 1980. Estimation of Density from Line Transect Sampling of Biological Populations. Wildlife Monographs:7-202.

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## **Examples**

```
data(stake77)
# Extract functions for stake data and put in the mrds format
extract.stake <- function(stake,obs){</pre>
  extract.obs <- function(obs){</pre>
    example <- subset(stake,eval(parse(text=paste("Obs",obs,"==1",sep=""))),</pre>
                       select="PD")
    example$distance <- example$PD
    example$object <- 1:nrow(example)</pre>
    example$PD <- NULL
    return(example)
  if(obs!="all"){
    return(extract.obs(obs=obs))
  }else{
    example <- NULL
    for(i in 1:(ncol(stake)-2)){
      df <- extract.obs(obs=i)</pre>
      df$person <- i
      example <- rbind(example,df)</pre>
    example$person <- factor(example$person)</pre>
    example$object <- 1:nrow(example)</pre>
    return(example)
  }
}
extract.stake.pairs <- function(stake,obs1,obs2,removal=FALSE){</pre>
  obs1 <- paste("0bs",obs1,sep="")</pre>
  obs2 <- paste("0bs",obs2,sep="")</pre>
  example <- subset(stake,eval(parse(text=paste(obs1,"==1 | ",obs2,"==1 ",</pre>
                                          sep=""))),select=c("PD",obs1,obs2))
  names(example) <- c("distance", "obs1", "obs2")</pre>
  detected <- c(example$obs1,example$obs2)</pre>
  example <- data.frame(object = rep(1:nrow(example),2),</pre>
                          distance = rep(example$distance,2),
                          detected = detected,
                          observer = c(rep(1,nrow(example)),
                                        rep(2,nrow(example))))
  if(removal) example$detected[example$observer==2] <- 1</pre>
  return(example)
}
# extract data for observer 1 and fit a single observer model
stakes <- extract.stake(stake77,1)</pre>
ds.model <- ddf(dsmodel = ~mcds(key = "hn", formula = ~1), data = stakes,
                 method = "ds", meta.data = list(width = 20))
plot(ds.model,breaks=seq(0,20,2),showpoints=TRUE)
ddf.gof(ds.model)
# extract data from observers 1 and 3 and fit an io model
stkpairs <- extract.stake.pairs(stake77,1,3,removal=FALSE)</pre>
io.model <- ddf(dsmodel = ~mcds(key = "hn", formula=~1),</pre>
                 mrmodel=~glm(formula=~distance),
```

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```
data = stkpairs, method = "io")
summary(io.model)
par(mfrow=c(3,2))
plot(io.model,breaks=seq(0,20,2),showpoints=TRUE,new=FALSE)
dev.new()
ddf.gof(io.model)
```

stake78

Wooden stake data from 1978 survey

# **Description**

Multiple surveys by different observers of a single 1km transect containing 150 wooden stakes placed based on expected uniform distribution throughout a 40 m strip (20m on either side).

#### **Format**

A data frame with 150 observations on the following 13 variables.

StakeNo unique number for each stake 1-150

PD perpendicular distance at which the stake was placed from the line

Obs1 0/1 whether missed/seen by observer 1

**Obs2** 0/1 whether missed/seen by observer 2

**Obs3** 0/1 whether missed/seen by observer 3

**Obs4** 0/1 whether missed/seen by observer 4

**Obs5** 0/1 whether missed/seen by observer 5

**Obs6** 0/1 whether missed/seen by observer 6

**Obs7** 0/1 whether missed/seen by observer 7

**Obs8** 0/1 whether missed/seen by observer 8

**Obs9** 0/1 whether missed/seen by observer 9

**Obs10** 0/1 whether missed/seen by observer 10

Obs11 0/1 whether missed/seen by observer 11

## **Details**

The 1997 survey was based on a single realization of a uniform distribution. Because it was a single transect and there was no randomization of the distances for each survey, we repeated the experiment and used distances that provided a uniform distribution but randomly sorted the positions along the line so there was no pattern obvious to the observer.

#### Source

Laake, J. 1978. Line transect estimators robust to animal movement. M.S. Thesis. Utah State University, Logan, Utah. 55p.

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#### References

Burnham, K. P., D. R. Anderson, and J. L. Laake. 1980. Estimation of Density from Line Transect Sampling of Biological Populations. Wildlife Monographs:7-202.

## **Examples**

```
data(stake78)
data(stake77)
# compare distribution of distances for all stakes
hist(stake77$PD)
hist(stake78$PD)
# Extract stake data and put in the mrds format for model fitting.
extract.stake <- function(stake,obs){</pre>
  extract.obs <- function(obs){</pre>
    example <- subset(stake,eval(parse(text=paste("0bs",obs,"==1",sep=""))),</pre>
                        select="PD")
    example$distance <- example$PD</pre>
    example$object <- 1:nrow(example)</pre>
    example$PD <- NULL
    return(example)
  if(obs!="all"){
     return(extract.obs(obs=obs))
  }else{
    example <- NULL
    for(i in 1:(ncol(stake)-2)){
      df <- extract.obs(obs=i)</pre>
      df$person <- i
      example <- rbind(example,df)</pre>
    }
    example$person <- factor(example$person)</pre>
    example$object <- 1:nrow(example)</pre>
    return(example)
}
extract.stake.pairs <- function(stake,obs1,obs2,removal=FALSE){</pre>
  obs1 <- paste("0bs",obs1,sep="")</pre>
  obs2 <- paste("Obs",obs2,sep="")</pre>
  example <- subset(stake,eval(parse(text=paste(obs1,"==1 |",obs2,"==1 ",</pre>
                                        sep=""))), select=c("PD",obs1,obs2))
  names(example) <- c("distance", "obs1", "obs2")</pre>
  detected <- c(example$obs1,example$obs2)</pre>
  example <- data.frame(object=rep(1:nrow(example),2),</pre>
                          distance=rep(example$distance,2),
                          detected = detected,
                          observer=c(rep(1,nrow(example)),
                                      rep(2,nrow(example))))
  if(removal) example$detected[example$observer==2] <- 1</pre>
  return(example)
}
# extract data for observer 10 and fit a single observer model
```

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Summary of distance detection function model object

## **Description**

Provides a brief summary of data and fitted detection probability model parameters, model selection criterion, and optionally abundance in the covered (sampled) region and its standard error.

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ds'
summary(object, se = TRUE, N = TRUE, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

```
object a ddf model object
se if TRUE, computes standard errors

N if TRUE, computes abundance in covered (sampled) region
... unspecified and unused arguments for S3 consistency
```

## **Details**

The argument N is used to suppress computation of abundance and average detection probability in calls to summarize the ds and either io.fi or trial.fi for summaries of io and trial objects respectively which are composed of a ds model object and a mark-recapture model object. The corresponding print function is called to print the summary results.

## Value

list of extracted and summarized objects

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#### Note

This function is called by the generic function summary for any ddf model object. Each function can be called directly by the user, but it is typically safest to use the generic function summary which calls the appropriate function based on the type of ddf model.

#### Author(s)

Jeff Laake

summary.io

Summary of distance detection function model object

# **Description**

Provides a brief summary of data and fitted detection probability model parameters, model selection criterion, and optionally abundance in the covered (sampled) region and its standard error.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'io'
summary(object, se = TRUE, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

object a ddf model object

se if TRUE, computes standard errors

... unspecified and unused arguments for S3 consistency

# Details

The argument N is used to suppress computation of abundance and average detection probability in calls to summarize the ds and either io.fi or trial.fi for summaries of io and trial objects respectively which are composed of a ds model object and a mark-recapture model object. The corresponding print function is called to print the summary results.

# Value

list of extracted and summarized objects

#### Note

This function is called by the generic function summary for any ddf model object. Each function can be called directly by the user, but it is typically safest to use the generic function summary which calls the appropriate function based on the type of ddf model.

## Author(s)

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Summary of distance detection function model object

## **Description**

Provides a brief summary of data and fitted detection probability model parameters, model selection criterion, and optionally abundance in the covered (sampled) region and its standard error.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'io.fi'
summary(object, se = TRUE, N = TRUE, fittedmodel = NULL, ddfobj = NULL, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

object a ddf model object

se if TRUE, computes standard errors

N if TRUE, computes abundance in covered (sampled) region

fittedmodel full fitted model when called from trial or io

ddfobj distance sampling object description

... unspecified and unused arguments for S3 consistency

#### Details

The argument N is used to suppress computation of abundance and average detection probability in calls to summarize the ds and either io.fi or trial.fi for summaries of io and trial objects respectively which are composed of a ds model object and a mark-recapture model object. The corresponding print function is called to print the summary results.

## Value

list of extracted and summarized objects

#### Note

This function is called by the generic function summary for any ddf model object. Each function can be called directly by the user, but it is typically safest to use the generic function summary which calls the appropriate function based on the type of ddf model.

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Summary of distance detection function model object

## **Description**

Provides a brief summary of data and fitted detection probability model parameters, model selection criterion, and optionally abundance in the covered (sampled) region and its standard error.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'rem'
summary(object, se = TRUE, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

object a ddf model object

se if TRUE, computes standard errors

... unspecified and unused arguments for S3 consistency

## **Details**

The argument N is used to suppress computation of abundance and average detection probability in calls to summarize the ds and either io.fi or trial.fi for summaries of io and trial objects respectively which are composed of a ds model object and a mark-recapture model object. The corresponding print function is called to print the summary results.

## Value

list of extracted and summarized objects

## Note

This function is called by the generic function summary for any ddf model object. Each function can be called directly by the user, but it is typically safest to use the generic function summary which calls the appropriate function based on the type of ddf model.

# Author(s)

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summary.rem.fi	Summary of distance detection function model object	
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## **Description**

Provides a brief summary of data and fitted detection probability model parameters, model selection criterion, and optionally abundance in the covered (sampled) region and its standard error.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'rem.fi'
summary(object, se = TRUE, N = TRUE, fittedmodel = NULL, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

object a ddf model object

se if TRUE, computes standard errors

N if TRUE, computes abundance in covered (sampled) region

fittedmodel full fitted model when called from trial or io

... unspecified and unused arguments for S3 consistency

# Details

The argument N is used to suppress computation of abundance and average detection probability in calls to summarize the ds and either io.fi or trial.fi for summaries of io and trial objects respectively which are composed of a ds model object and a mark-recapture model object. The corresponding print function is called to print the summary results.

## Value

list of extracted and summarized objects

## Note

This function is called by the generic function summary for any ddf model object. Each function can be called directly by the user, but it is typically safest to use the generic function summary which calls the appropriate function based on the type of ddf model.

## Author(s)

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Summary of distance detection function model object

## **Description**

Provides a brief summary of data and fitted detection probability model parameters, model selection criterion, and optionally abundance in the covered (sampled) region and its standard error.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'trial'
summary(object, se = TRUE, ...)
```

# Arguments

object a ddf model object

se if TRUE, computes standard errors

... unspecified and unused arguments for S3 consistency

## **Details**

The argument N is used to suppress computation of abundance and average detection probability in calls to summarize the ds and either io.fi or trial.fi for summaries of io and trial objects respectively which are composed of a ds model object and a mark-recapture model object. The corresponding print function is called to print the summary results.

## Value

list of extracted and summarized objects

## Note

This function is called by the generic function summary for any ddf model object. Each function can be called directly by the user, but it is typically safest to use the generic function summary which calls the appropriate function based on the type of ddf model.

# Author(s)

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summary.trial.fi	Summary of distance	detection function model of	object
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## **Description**

Provides a brief summary of data and fitted detection probability model parameters, model selection criterion, and optionally abundance in the covered (sampled) region and its standard error.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'trial.fi'
summary(object, se = TRUE, N = TRUE, fittedmodel = NULL, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

object a ddf model object

se if TRUE, computes standard errors

N if TRUE, computes abundance in covered (sampled) region

fittedmodel full fitted model when called from trial or io

... unspecified and unused arguments for S3 consistency

# Details

The argument N is used to suppress computation of abundance and average detection probability in calls to summarize the ds and either io.fi or trial.fi for summaries of io and trial objects respectively which are composed of a ds model object and a mark-recapture model object. The corresponding print function is called to print the summary results.

## Value

list of extracted and summarized objects

## Note

This function is called by the generic function summary for any ddf model object. Each function can be called directly by the user, but it is typically safest to use the generic function summary which calls the appropriate function based on the type of ddf model.

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survey.region.dht	Extrapolate Horvitz-Thompson abundance estimates to entire surveyed region

# **Description**

Extrapolate Horvitz-Thompson abundance estimates to entire surveyed region

# Usage

```
survey.region.dht(Nhat.by.sample, samples, width, left, point, areas.supplied)
```

# Arguments

Nhat.by.sample dataframe of abundance by sample

samples samples table
width truncation width
left left truncation if any

point if TRUE point count otherwise line transect

areas.supplied if TRUE, covered area is extracted from the CoveredArea column of Nhat.by.sample

## Value

Revised Nhat.by.sample dataframe containing estimates extrapolated to survey region

#### Note

Internal function called by dht and related functions.

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test.breaks	Test validity for histogram breaks(cutpoints)	

# **Description**

Determines whether user specified breaks for histograms are properly ordered and match the left and right truncation.

## Usage

```
test.breaks(breaks, left, width)
```

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## **Arguments**

breaks vector of cutpoints (breaks) for distance histogram

left left truncation value

width right truncation value; either radius of point count or half-width of transect

## Value

vector of breaks modified to be valid if necessary

## Author(s)

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varn Compute empirical variance of encounter rate

## **Description**

Computes one of a series of possible variance estimates for the observed encounter rate for a set of sample measurements (e.g., line lengths) and number of observations per sample.

# Usage

# Arguments

lvec vector of sample measurements (e.g., line lengths)

nvec vector of number observed

type choice of variance estimator to use for encounter rate

groups1 vector of number of groups observed groups2 vector of number of individuals observed

#### **Details**

The choice of type follows the notation of Fewster et al. (2009) in that there are 8 choices of encounter rate variance that can be computed for lines and one for points:

- R2 random line placement with unequal line lengths (design-assisted estimator)
- R3 random line placement, model-assisted estimator, based on true contagion process
- R4 random line placement, model-assisted estimator, based on apparent contagion process
- S1 systematic line placement, post-stratification with no strata overlap

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S2 systematic line placement, post-stratification with no strata overlap, variances weighted by line length per stratum

- 01 systematic line placement, post-stratification with overlapping strata (akin to S1)
- 02 systematic line placement, post-stratification with overlapping strata (weighted by line length per stratum, akin to S2)
- 03 systematic line placement, post-stratification with overlapping strata, model-assisted estimator with trend in encounter rate with line length
- P2 random point placement, potentially unequal number of visits per point, design-based estimator
- P3 random point placement, potentially unequal number of visits per point, model-based estimator

Default value is "R2", shown in Fewster et al. (2009) to have good performance for completely random designs for lines. For systematic parallel line transect designs, Fewster et al. recommend "02". For point transects the default is "P2" (but "P3" is also available).

For the systematic estimators, pairs are assigned in the order they are given in the lengths and groups vectors.

#### Value

Variance of encounter rate as defined by arguments

#### Note

This function is also used with different calling arguments to compute Innes et al variance of the estimated abundances/length rather than observation encounter rate. The function covn is probably only valid for R3 and R2. Currently, the R2 form is used for all types other than R3.

## Author(s)

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