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Description Implements the procedures suggested in Esarey and Sumner (2017) <<http://justinesarey.com/interaction-overconfidence.pdf>> for controlling the false discovery rate when constructing marginal effects plots for models with interaction terms.

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bootFun	<i>Bootstrapping t-statistics</i>
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Description

This function is defunct.

Usage

```
bootFun(...)
```

Arguments

... Any argument to the function (ignored).

References

Esarey, Justin, and Jane Lawrence Sumner. 2018. "Corrigendum to 'Marginal Effects in Interaction Models: Determining and Controlling the False Positive Rate.'"

fdrInteraction	<i>Critical t-statistic</i>
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Description

This function calculates the critical t-statistic to limit the false discovery rate (Benjamini and Hochberg 1995) for a marginal effects plot to a specified level.

Usage

```
fdrInteraction(me.vec, me.sd.vec, df, type = "BH", level = 0.95)
```

Arguments

me.vec	A vector of marginal effects.
me.sd.vec	A vector of standard deviations for the marginal effects.
df	Degrees of freedom.
type	Should the BH (Benjamini and Hochberg 1999) or BY (Benjamini and Yekutieli 2000) correction be used? Options are "BH" (the default) or "BY".
level	The level of confidence. Defaults to 0.95.

Value

The critical t-statistic for the interaction.

Author(s)

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References

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Examples

```
## Not run:
data(legfig)                # Clark and Golder 2006 replication data

# limit to established democracies from the 1990s
dat<-subset(legfig, subset=(nineties==1 & old==1))

lin.mod <- lm(enepl ~ eneg + logmag + logmag_enepl + uppertier_enepl + uppertier +
proximity1 + proximity1_enpres + enpres, data=dat)

# save betas
beta.mod <- coefficients(lin.mod)
# save vcv
vcv.mod <- vcov(lin.mod)

# calculate MEs
mag <- seq(from=0.01, to=5, by=0.01)
me.vec <- beta.mod[2] + beta.mod[4]*mag
me.se <- sqrt( vcv.mod[2,2] + (mag^2)*vcv.mod[4,4] + 2*(mag)*(vcv.mod[2,4]) )

ci.hi <- me.vec + 1.697 * me.se
ci.lo <- me.vec - 1.697 * me.se

plot(me.vec ~ mag, type="l", ylim = c(-4, 6))
lines(ci.hi ~ mag, lty=2)
lines(ci.lo ~ mag, lty=2)

fdrInteraction(me.vec, me.se, df=lin.mod$df, level=0.90)                # 4.233986

ci.hi <- me.vec + 4.233986 * me.se
ci.lo <- me.vec - 4.233986 * me.se
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lines(ci.hi ~ mag, lty=2, lwd=2)
lines(ci.lo ~ mag, lty=2, lwd=2)

abline(h=0, lty=1, col="gray")
legend("topleft", lwd=c(1,2), lty=c(1,2), legend=c("90% CI", "90% FDR CI"))

## End(Not run)

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findMultiLims	<i>Determine Critical t-Statistic For Marginal Effects Plot</i>
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Description

This function is defunct.

Usage

```
findMultiLims(...)
```

Arguments

... Any argument to the function (ignored).

References

Esarey, Justin, and Jane Lawrence Sumner. 2018. "Corrigendum to 'Marginal Effects in Interaction Models: Determining and Controlling the False Positive Rate.'"

legfig	<i>Replication data for Clark and Golder (2006)</i>
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Description

District magnitude and ethnic heterogeneity data from a pooled sample of established democracies in the 1990s. Data originally from Clark and Golder (2006).

Format

A data frame with 754 rows and 33 variables:

country country name

countrynumber country number

year year of observation

enep1 electoral parties

eneg ethnic heterogeneity

logmag district magnitude
legelec legislative election
preselec presidential election
regime regime as of 31 Dec of given year (0=democracy, 1=dictatorship)
regime_leg regime type at time of leg. election (0=democracy, 1=dictatorship)
eighties election in 1980s closest to 1985
nineties election in 1990s closest to 1995
old elections in countries that did not transition to democracy in 1990s
avemag average district magnitude
districts number of electoral districts
enep effective number of ethnic groups fearon
enep_others n/a
enpp parliamentary parties - uncorrected
enpp_others n/a
enpp1 parliamentary parties - corrected
enpres effective number of presidential candidates
medmag median district magnitude
newdem first election of new democracy
proximity1 proximity - continuous
proximity2 proximity - dichotomous
seats assembly size
upperseats number of upper tier seats
uppertier percentage of uppertier seats
uppertier_eneq uppertier*eneq
logmag_eneq logmag*eneq
proximity1_enpres proximity1*enpres
twoelections n/a
twoelections1 n/a ...

Source

Clark, William R., and Matt Golder. 2006. "Rehabilitating Duverger's Theory." *Comparative Political Studies* 39(6): 679-708.

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