

# Package ‘CompClassMetrics’

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**Title** Classification Measures when Subclasses are Involved

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**Description** Accuracy metrics are commonly used to assess the discriminating ability of diagnostic tests or biomarkers. Among them, metrics based on the ROC framework are particularly popular. When classification involves subclasses, the package 'CompClassMetrics' includes functions that can provide the point estimate, confidence interval as well as true values if a parametric setting is known. For more details see Nan and Tian (2025) <[doi:10.1177/09622802251343600](https://doi.org/10.1177/09622802251343600)>, Nan and Tian (2023) <[doi:10.1002/sim.9908](https://doi.org/10.1002/sim.9908)>, Feng and

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adni2	<i>adni2</i>
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## Description

Description of adni2.

## Format

A data frame with 317 rows and 7 columns:

**RID** Participant ID

**DX.bl** The disease class label

**FDG** Numeric, value of FDG

**AV45** Numeric, value of AV45

**ABETA** Numeric, value of ABETA

**TAU.x** Numeric, value of TAU from CSF

**PTAU** Numeric, value of PTAU from CSF

## Source

This is a subset of ADNI2 dataset, available at <https://adni.loni.usc.edu>

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auco_func	<i>R function that calculates the true values of AUCo when distribution is known</i>
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**Description**

R function that calculates the true values of AUCo when distribution is known

**Usage**

```
auco_func(k1, k2, distribution, arg1, arg2)
```

**Arguments**

k1	number of subclasses in main class-1
k2	number of subclasses in main class-2
distribution	the distribution of marker value follows Normal or Gamma
arg1	if distribution is normal input mean parameters of all subclasses in a vector, if gamma input arg1 parameters
arg2	if distribution is gamma input variance parameter, if gamma input arg2 parameters

**Value**

The true value of AUCo under given distribution and parameters

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cdf_min_given_max_partial_upper	<i>R function that calculates the conditional probability of minimum greater than y_min given maximum equals to y_max of random variables (upper tail probability of minimum given maximum)</i>
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**Description**

R function that calculates the conditional probability of minimum greater than y\_min given maximum equals to y\_max of random variables (upper tail probability of minimum given maximum)

**Usage**

```
cdf_min_given_max_partial_upper(y_min, y_max, distribution, arg1, arg2)
```

**Arguments**

y_min	the value of y_min
y_max	the value of y_max
distribution	the distribution of marker value follows Normal or Gamma
arg1	if distribution is normal input mean parameters of all subclasses in a vector, if gamma input shape parameters
arg2	if distribution is normal input variance parameter, if gamma input rate parameters

**Value**

The conditional probability of minimum given maximum of random variables

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`cdf_min_max_partial` *R function that calculates the partial of joint probability of min and max over max of NIND random variables*

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**Description**

R function that calculates the partial of joint probability of min and max over max of NIND random variables

**Usage**

```
cdf_min_max_partial(y_min, y_max, distribution, arg1, arg2)
```

**Arguments**

y_min	the value of y_min
y_max	the value of y_max
distribution	the distribution of marker value follows Normal or Gamma
arg1	if distribution is normal input mean parameters of all subclasses in a vector, if gamma input shape parameters
arg2	if distribution is normal input variance parameter, if gamma input rate parameters

**Value**

The partial of joint probability of min and max over max

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cdf_order_r	<i>R function that calculates the probability of r-th order statistics of normal random variables (CDF of r-th order statistics)</i>
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**Description**

R function that calculates the probability of r-th order statistics of normal random variables (CDF of r-th order statistics)

**Usage**

```
cdf_order_r(x, r, distribution, arg1, arg2)
```

**Arguments**

x	the value of x
r	r-th order statistics
distribution	the distribution of marker value follows Normal or Gamma
arg1	if distribution is normal input mean parameters of all subclasses in a vector, if gamma input shape parameters
arg2	if distribution is normal input variance parameter, if gamma input rate parameters

**Value**

The probability of r-th order statistics of random variables smaller or equal to x

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CI.func	<i>R function that calculates percentile confidence interval given an array of estimates</i>
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**Description**

This function provides percentile confidence interval

**Usage**

```
CI.func(x)
```

**Arguments**

x	an array of calculated estimates
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**Value**

The percentile confidence interval of given values

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cvus_func	<i>R function that calculates the true values of VUSC when distribution is known</i>
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**Description**

R function that calculates the true values of VUSC when distribution is known

**Usage**

```
cvus_func(k1, k2, k3, distribution, arg1, arg2)
```

**Arguments**

k1	number of subclasses in main class-1
k2	number of subclasses in main class-2
k3	number of subclasses in main class-3
distribution	the distribution of marker value follows Normal or Gamma
arg1	if distribution is normal input mean parameters of all subclasses in a vector, if gamma input arg1 parameters
arg2	if distribution is gamma input variance parameter, if gamma input arg2 parameters

**Value**

The true value of VUSc under given distribution and parameters

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f_order_max	<i>R function that calculates the probability density of maximum of NIND random variables (PDF)</i>
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**Description**

R function that calculates the probability density of maximum of NIND random variables (PDF)

**Usage**

```
f_order_max(y_max, distribution, arg1, arg2)
```

**Arguments**

y_max	the value of y_max
distribution	the distribution of marker value follows Normal or Gamma
arg1	if distribution is normal input mean parameters of all subclasses in a vector, if gamma input shape parameters
arg2	if distribution is normal input variance parameter, if gamma input rate parameters

**Value**

The probability density of maximum of random variables

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f_order_min	<i>R function that calculates the probability density of minimum of NIND random variables (PDF)</i>
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**Description**

R function that calculates the probability density of minimum of NIND random variables (PDF)

**Usage**

```
f_order_min(y_min, distribution, arg1, arg2)
```

**Arguments**

y_min	the value of y_min
distribution	the distribution of marker value follows Normal or Gamma
arg1	if distribution is normal input mean parameters of all subclasses in a vector, if gamma input shape parameters
arg2	if distribution is normal input variance parameter, if gamma input rate parameters

**Value**

The probability density of minimum of NIND random variables

get\_max\_min\_permutations

*R function for obtaining all combinations of maximum and minimum of a given dataset*

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### **Description**

R function for obtaining all combinations of maximum and minimum of a given dataset

### **Usage**

```
get_max_min_permutations(df)
```

### **Arguments**

df                      Given dataset, in list

### **Value**

A list of all combinations of maximum and minimum of df

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humc\_dynamic

*R function that calculates empirical estimates of HUMcm*

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### **Description**

This function provides empirical estimates of HUMcm

### **Usage**

```
humc_dynamic(dat, num_sub)
```

### **Arguments**

dat                      test values in list, each element represents biomarker values for a disease group, ordered in ascending severity

num\_sub                  a vector of number of subclasses in each subclass

### **Value**

The empirical estimate of HUMcm based on given data and num\_sub

**Examples**

```
# Create a list of example data
Y1 <- c(0.9316, 0.9670, 1.3856, 1.3505, 1.0316, 1.1764, 0.7435, 0.5813, 0.4695, 0.3249)
Y2 <- c(1.63950, 1.36535, 1.79859, 0.47961, 1.50978, 1.36525, 0.13515, 2.11275, 0.45659)
Y3 <- c(1.89856, 1.30920, 2.38615, 2.34785, 2.92493, 2.71615, 2.75243, 0.95060, 0.38964)
Y4 <- c(2.580, 2.570, 2.143, 3.079, 1.765, 3.081, 2.175, 2.306, 2.918, 2.507, 4.261, 3.033, 1.836, 2.321)
Y5 <- c(3.969, 3.044, 3.318, 2.862, 3.655, 1.523, 3.722, 4.074, 3.662, 3.571, 5.177, 6.321, 4.932, 4.129)
Y.dat <- list(Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5)
num_sub <- c(1, 3, 1)
# calculate HUMcm of Y.dat and num_sub
humc_dynamic(Y.dat, num_sub)
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humc_fourclass	<i>R function that calculates the true values of HUMcm when distribution is known</i>
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**Description**

R function that calculates the true values of HUMcm when distribution is known

**Usage**

```
humc_fourclass(distribution, arg1, arg2, num_sub)
```

**Arguments**

distribution	the distribution of marker value follows Normal or Gamma
arg1	if distribution is normal input mean parameters of all subclasses in a vector, if gamma input arg1 parameters
arg2	if distribution is gamma input variance parameter, if gamma input arg2 parameters
num_sub	the vector of number of subclasses in each main class

**Value**

The true value of HUMcm under given distribution and parameters

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humc_min	<i>R function that calculates the minimum of HUMcm under given structure</i>
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**Description**

R function that calculates the minimum of HUMcm under given structure

**Usage**

```
humc_min(num_sub)
```

**Arguments**

num\_sub            the vector of number of subclasses in each main class

**Value**

the minimum of HUMcm

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humc_npc	<i>R function that calculates non-parametric bootstrap percentile confidence interval</i>
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**Description**

This function provides non-parametric bootstrap percentile confidence interval of HUMcm

**Usage**

```
humc_npc(dat, num_sub, B)
```

**Arguments**

dat                test values in list, each element represents biomarker values for a disease group, ordered in ascending severity

num\_sub           a vector of number of subclasses in each subclass

B                 the number of iteration

**Value**

The non-parametric bootstrap percentile confidence interval of HUMcm

**Examples**

```
# Create a list of example data
Y1 <- c(0.9316, 0.9670, 1.3856, 1.3505, 1.0316, 1.1764, 0.7435, 0.5813, 0.4695, 0.3249)
Y2 <- c(1.63950, 1.36535, 1.79859, 0.47961, 1.50978, 1.36525,0.13515, 2.11275, 0.45659)
Y3 <- c(1.89856, 1.30920, 2.38615, 2.34785, 2.92493, 2.71615, 2.75243, 0.95060, 0.38964)
Y4 <- c(2.580,2.570,2.143,3.079,1.765,3.081,2.175,2.306,2.918,2.507,4.261,3.033,1.836,2.321)
Y5 <- c(3.969,3.044,3.318,2.862,3.655,1.523,3.722,4.074,3.662,3.571,5.177,6.321,4.932,4.129)
Y.dat <- list(Y1,Y2,Y3,Y4,Y5)
num_sub <- c(1,3,1)
# calculate the non-parametric bootstrap percentile confidence interval
humc_npc1(Y.dat,num_sub,50)
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humc\_standard

*R function to calculate the standardized HUMcm under given structure*

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**Description**

R function to calculate the standardized HUMcm under given structure

**Usage**

```
humc_standard(value, num_sub)
```

**Arguments**

value	the value of HUMcm
num_sub	the vector of number of subclasses in each main class

**Value**

The standardized HUMcm

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plco

*PLCO*

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**Description**

Description of PLCO.

**Format**

A data frame with 239 rows and 7 columns:

**ID** Participant ID

**Group** The disease class label

**CA125** Numeric, value of CA125

**CA153** Numeric, value of CA153

**CA199** Numeric, value of CA199

**KLK6** Numeric, value of KLK6

**CA724** Numeric, value of CA724

**Source**

This is a subset of PLCO dataset, available at <https://edrn.nci.nih.gov>.

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rocc\_curve

*R function for plotting the overall ROC curve and chance curve*

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**Description**

R function for plotting the overall ROC curve and chance curve

**Usage**

```
rocc_curve(k1, k2, distribution, arg1, arg2)
```

**Arguments**

k1	number of subclasses in main class-1
k2	number of subclasses in main class-2
distribution	the distribution of marker value follows Normal or Gamma
arg1	if distribution is normal input mean parameters of all subclasses in a vector, if gamma input shape parameters
arg2	if distribution is gamma input variance parameter, if gamma input rate parameters

**Value**

The overall ROC curve and chance curve

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rocc_curve_emp	<i>R function for plotting the empirical compound ROC curve and chance curve</i>
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**Description**

R function for plotting the empirical compound ROC curve and chance curve

**Usage**

```
rocc_curve_emp(dat, num_sub)
```

**Arguments**

dat	values in list, each element represents biomarker values for a disease group, ordered in ascending severity
num_sub	a vector of number of subclasses in each subclass

**Value**

The empirical compound ROC curve and chance curve

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rocc_surface	<i>R function for plotting the compound ROC surface and chance surface</i>
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**Description**

R function for plotting the compound ROC surface and chance surface

**Usage**

```
rocc_surface(k1, k2, k3, distribution, arg1, arg2)
```

**Arguments**

k1	number of subclasses in main class-1
k2	number of subclasses in main class-2
k3	number of subclasses in main class-3
distribution	the distribution of marker value follows Normal or Gamma
arg1	if distribution is normal input mean parameters of all subclasses in a vector, if gamma input shape parameters
arg2	if distribution is gamma input variance parameter, if gamma input rate parameters

**Value**

The compound ROC surface and chance surface

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rocc_surface_emp	<i>R function for plotting the empirical compound ROC surface and chance surface</i>
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**Description**

R function for plotting the empirical compound ROC surface and chance surface

**Usage**

```
rocc_surface_emp(dat, num_sub)
```

**Arguments**

dat	values in list, each element represents biomarker values for a disease group, ordered in ascending severity
num_sub	a vector of number of subclasses in each subclass

**Value**

The empirical compound ROC surface and chance surface

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