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Description Provides methods for testing the equality of dependent intraclass correlation coefficients (ICCs) estimated using linear mixed-effects models. Several of the implemented approaches are based on the work of Donner and Zou (2002) <[doi:10.1111/1467-9884.00324](https://doi.org/10.1111/1467-9884.00324)>.

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icc_dep_test

*Tests the equality of dependent ICCs***Description**

Tests the equality of dependent ICCs

Usage

```
icc_dep_test(
  data,
  ry,
  rind,
  rtype,
  alpha = 0.05,
  Wald = FALSE,
  WL = 1:2,
  Boot = FALSE,
  nboot = 500,
  Perm = FALSE,
  nperm = 100,
  parallel = TRUE,
  workers = 15,
  future_seed = NULL,
  progress = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

data	A data frame with (at least) three columns: the outcome, the subject and the setting identifiers.
ry	Character string. The outcome variable.
rind	Character string. The subject identifier.
rtype	Character string. The setting identifier.
alpha	Numeric. Significance level. Default to 0.05.
Wald	Logical. Should the Wald test be run? Default is FALSE
WL	Vector of length two. Which pair of settings should be compared using the Wald test? The first two settings are the default.
Boot	Logical. Should bootstrap be run? Default is FALSE.
nboot	Numeric. Number of bootstrap resamples. Default is 500.
Perm	Logical. Should permutations test be run? Default value is FALSE.
nperm	Numeric. Number of permutations. Default value is 100.
parallel	Logical. Use parallel computation? Default value is TRUE.

workers	Numeric. Number of cores used in parallelization. Default value is 15.
future_seed	Logical/Integer. The seed to be used for parallelization. Further details in furr_options .
progress	Logical. If TRUE a progress bar is created while computing bootstrap and permutations. Default value is TRUE

Details

The variance components required for ICC estimation are obtained using a linear mixed-effects model that accounts for correlations across settings. The null hypothesis of equality between dependent ICCs is evaluated through the following methods:

- Wald test based on Fisher's Z and Konishi–Gupta transformations, using either asymptotic or bootstrap standard errors;
- Chi-square test with asymptotic or bootstrap standard errors;
- Permutation test.

Value

The output is a list with the following components:

- `Model`. Object of class `lme` with the fitted model estimates.
- `Estimates`. List containing three objects: 1) a matrix with the ICCs estimates; 2) the variance-covariance matrix of the ICC estimates; 3) Confidence intervals of the ICC estimates.
- `p_values`. List with the computed p-values testing the equality of the ICCs.
- `boot_res`. List with three objects: 1) bootstrap estimates of the ICCs; 2) mean of the bootstrap ICC estimates; 3) variance-covariance matrix of the ICC estimates obtained by bootstrapping.
- `perm_res`. List with three elements: 1) P-value obtained by permutations to test the equality of the ICCs; 2) Vector containing the sum of the squared differences between the ICCs obtained in each permutation; 3) the sum of the squared differences between the ICCs obtained in the original sample.

Examples

```
sin_res_b<-icc_dep_test(sin_data,ry="Sinuosity",rind="id",rtype="Section",alpha=0.05,Wald=TRUE,
WL=1:2,)
```

```
sin_res<-icc_dep_test(sin_data,ry="Sinuosity",rind="id",rtype="Section",alpha=0.05,Wald=TRUE,
WL=1:2,Boot=TRUE,nboot=500,Perm=TRUE,nperm=100,
parallel=TRUE,workers=15,future_seed = NULL,progress=TRUE)
```

```
dia_res<-icc_dep_test(cccrm::bpres,ry="DIA",rind="ID",rtype="METODE",alpha=0.05,Wald=TRUE,
WL=1:2,Boot=TRUE,nboot=500,Perm=TRUE,nperm=100,
parallel=TRUE,workers=15,future_seed = NULL,progress=TRUE)
```

ICC_LR_test	<i>Tests the equality of dependent ICCs using the likelihood ratio test (LRT)</i>
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Description

Tests the equality of dependent ICCs using the likelihood ratio test (LRT)

Usage

```
ICC_LR_test(data, ry = "y", rind = "ind", rtype = "type", optimizer = "nlminb")
```

Arguments

data	A data frame with (at least) three columns: the outcome, the subject and the setting identifiers.
ry	Character string. The outcome variable.
rind	Character string. The subject identifier.
rtype	Character string. The setting identifier.
optimizer	Optimization function to use. For further details see mle2

Details

The null hypothesis of equality of dependent ICCs is tested using the likelihood ratio test (LRT) proposed in Donner and Zou (2002).

Value

The output is an object of class `htest` with the following components:

- `null.value`. Vector. The value of the ICC in the null hypothesis of equality of ICCs.
- `estimate`. Vector. The estimates of the ICC
- `statistic`. Numerical. The value of the LR statistic.
- `p.value`. Numerical. The value of the LR statistic.

References

Donner, A. and Zou, G. (2002). Testing the equality of dependent intraclass correlation coefficients. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series D (The Statistician)*, 51(3):367–379

Examples

```
sin_res<-ICC_LR_test(sin_data,ry="Sinuosity",rind="id",rtype="Section")
```

`sin_data`*Sinusosity data*

Description

A data frame containing the sinuosity index from 90 trajectories

Usage`sin_data`**Format**

A data frame containing the sinuosity index from 388 trips of 36 gulls

Sinusosity Sinuosity index

id Subject identifier

Section Time section where the trip started: Day or Night

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