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## Description

iGasso is a collection of statistical tests developed by our group for genetic association studies. So far it contains functions for rare variants association, for association with multiple phenotypes, for linear mixed model analysis, and for model-free association analysis. There is also a function for genome plot. It will keep growing as more tests are developed. Use `?iGasso` to see an introduction.

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Functions for various tests have `.test` as their extension name.

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**Examples**

```

y = rnorm(100)
chr = c(rep(1, 20), rep(3, 20), rep(10, 20), rep(19, 30), rep("X", 10))
pos = c(1:20, 1:20, 1:20, 1:30, 1:10)
mydata = data.frame(y=y, chr=chr, pos=pos)
genome.plot(mydata, sig.line=c(1, -1), ylab="T Statistic")

```

```

G = rbind(c(14, 999), c(3, 1081))
VSTF.test(G)

```

```

G = rbind(c(161, 474, 489), c(231, 444, 380))
MFree.test(G)

```

```

G = matrix(sample(c(0,1,2), 200, replace=TRUE), ncol=10)
y = rnorm(10)
X = matrix(rnorm(10), ncol=1)
BN = kinf.BN(G, whole=TRUE)
tmp = null.par(BN, y, X)
LMM.test(G[2,], tmp$y1, BN, tmp$Sigma0.1)

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genome.plot

*Genome-wide Plot of a Variable*


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**Description**

genome.plot plots the value of a variable across the genome.

**Usage**

```

genome.plot(mydata, style=1, type="h", sig.line=c(4, -4),
            sig.color=c("red", "red"), ...)

```

**Arguments**

mydata	a data frame containing three variables: y (numeric, the value of the variable to be plotted), chr (character, chromosome label), and pos (numeric, position, for instance, in base pair or centi-Morgan). Examples of y include $-\log_{10}$ of p-values and test statistic values.
style	either 1 (default) or 2.
type	a generic graphic parameter. Recommended values are "h" (default) and "b".
sig.line	vertical locations of significance lines.
sig.color	colors of significance lines.
...	other parameters to be passed to function xyplot in the lattice package.

**Details**

This function makes use of the function xyplot from package lattice.

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**Examples**

```

y = rnorm(100)
chr = c(rep(1, 20), rep(3, 20), rep(10, 20), rep(19, 30), rep("X", 10))
pos = c(1:20, 1:20, 1:20, 1:30, 1:10)
mydata = data.frame(y=y, chr=chr, pos=pos)
mydata2 = data.frame(y=y^2, chr=chr, pos=pos)

genome.plot(mydata, sig.line=c(1, -1), ylab="T Statistic")
genome.plot(mydata, sig.line=c(1, -1), ylab="T Statistic", type="b")
genome.plot(mydata2, sig.line=c(2), ylab="y squared")
genome.plot(mydata, style=2, sig.line=c(1, -1), ylab="T Statistic")
genome.plot(mydata, style=2, sig.line=c(1, -1), ylab="T Statistic", type="b")

```

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kinf.BN

*Balding-Nichols (BN) Relatedness Matrix*

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**Description**

kinf.BN computes a BN relatedness matrix from a matrix of SNP dose scores.

**Usage**

```
kinf.BN(G, whole=FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

G	a (# SNP)x(# individual) matrix of SNP scores. Each SNP score can be 0, 1, or 2, or imputed dose. (# individual) includes only individuals with non-missing phenotype values.
whole	a logical variable. Are all SNPs included in G? If not, this function needs to be called more than once. Then the sum of total is divided by the sum of count. The default is FALSE.

**Details**

SNPs with MAF  $\leq 0.01$  are excluded. G can contain missing values.

**Value**

If whole = TRUE, returns the BN relatedness matrix. If whole = FALSE, returns a list containing the following components:

total	a matrix equal to the sum of genotype score inner products. Missing genotype scores are excluded.
count	a matrix of counts of individuals pairs both genotype scores are non-missing.

**Author(s)**

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**References**

Wang K. (2012) A valid and powerful mixed model method for genome-wide association studies. Submitted.

**See Also**

[null.par](#) for computing  $y_1$  and  $\Sigma_{\theta.1}$  and [LMM.test](#) for conducting the score test based on the linear mixed model.

**Examples**

```
G1 = matrix(sample(c(0,1,2), 200, replace=TRUE), ncol=10)
G2 = matrix(sample(c(0,1,2), 200, replace=TRUE), ncol=10)

BN = kinf.BN(G1, whole=TRUE)

tmp1 = kinf.BN(G1, whole=FALSE)
tmp2 = kinf.BN(G2, whole=FALSE)
BN = (tmp1$total+tmp2$total)/(tmp1$count+tmp2$count)
```

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LMM.test

*Score Test for the Linear Mixed Model*

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**Description**

LMM.test performs tests on association between an SNP and case-control status. It tests whether the frequencies of an allele are the same between cases and controls. It does not require specification of an inheritance model.

**Usage**

```
LMM.test(g, y1, K, S $\theta$ .1)
```

**Arguments**

g	a length n vector of genotype scores at the SNP being tested.
y1	a numeric vector of length n. It is the variable y1 returned by function <a href="#">null.par</a> .
K	an nxn BN relatedness matrix computed by function <a href="#">kinf.BN</a> . Here n is the number of individuals with non-missing phenotype values.
S $\theta$ .1	an nxn matrix equal to the inverse of $\Sigma_{\theta}$

**Details**

Matrix multiplication is implemented using existing R functions.

**Value**

A list with class "test" containing the following components:

statistic	the value of the test statistic.
p.value	the p-value for the test computed from a 50:50 mixture of 0 and a chi-square distribution with 1 df.
method	a character string indicting the test performed.
data.name	a character string giving the name of the data.

**Author(s)**

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**References**

Wang K. (2012) A valid and powerful mixed model method for genome-wide association studies. Submitted.

**See Also**

[null.par](#) for computing  $y_1$  and  $\Sigma_{0.1}$  and [kinf.BN](#) for computing  $K$ .

**Examples**

```
G = matrix(sample(c(0,1,2), 200, replace=TRUE), ncol=10)
y = rnorm(10)
X = matrix(rnorm(10), ncol=1)
BN = kinf.BN(G, whole=TRUE)
tmp = null.par(BN, y, X)

LMM.test(G[2,], tmp$y1, BN, tmp$Sigma0.1)

apply(G, 1, LMM.test, tmp$y1, BN, tmp$Sigma0.1)
```

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MFree.test

*Model-free Association Tests*


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**Description**

MFree.test performs tests on association between an SNP and case-control status. It tests whether the frequencies of an allele are the same between cases and controls. It does not require specification of an inheritance model.

**Usage**

```
MFree.test(G, method="score")
```

**Arguments**

G	a 2x3 two-dimensional contingency table in matrix form. The first row is for cases and the second one for controls. In each row, the entries are the number of subjects carrying 0, 1, and 2 copies of the reference allele, respective.
method	a character string indicating the test statistic to use. One of "score" (default), "Wald", and "LRT".

**Details**

Each test is named after the author(s) of the corresponding publication.

**Value**

A list with class "test" containing the following components:

statistic	the value of the test statistic.
p.value	the p-value for the test computed from a chi-square distribution with 1 df.
method	a character string indicting the test performed.
data.name	a character string giving the name of the data.

**Author(s)**

Kai Wang <kai-wang@uiowa.edu>

**References**

Wang K. (2012) Statistical tests of genetic association for case-control study designs. *Biostatistics*. Accepted. PMID: 22389176

**Examples**

```
G = rbind(c(161, 474, 489), c(231, 444, 380))
MFree.test(G)
MFree.test(G, method = "Wald")
MFree.test(G, method = "LRT")
```

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mlmp.test

*A suite of multilocus multiple phenotype tests for association*


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**Description**

mlmp.test performs tests of association between multilocus SNPs and one or more traits possibly of different types.

**Usage**

```
mlmp.test(g, y, weights = NULL, stat = "score")
```

**Arguments**

<code>g</code>	an $n \times p$ matrix of SNP genotypes of $n$ study subjects at $p$ loci.
<code>y</code>	an $n \times q$ matrix of phenotype values of $n$ study subjects on $q$ traits. $q$ could be 1. Traits can be dichotomous, continuous, selected data, etc. or a mix of these.
<code>weights</code>	a vector of length $p$ . Each element is the weight used for the corresponding variant. The default weight for each variant is the inverse of the sample variance of the genotype score at this variant. This option differs with the SKAT option by the same name in that its elements are $w$ , not the square root of $w$ .
<code>stat</code>	Test statistic to be used. One of "F", "Wald", or "score"(default).

**Details**

This method regresses multilocus genotype over multiple phenotypes and test a quadratic null hypothesis. The  $p$ -value of a test statistic is determined through a linear combination of independent chi-square distributions and is evaluated via Davies' method implemented in package CompQuadForm.

**Value**

A list with class "htest" containing the following components:

<code>statistic</code>	the value of the test statistic.
<code>parameter</code>	the number of SNPs and the number of traits.
<code>p.value</code>	the $p$ -value for the test computed using Davies' method.
<code>method</code>	a character string indicting the test performed.
<code>data.name</code>	a character string giving the name of the data.

**Author(s)**

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**References**

Wang, K. (2014) Multilocus genetic association analysis with multiple phenotypes. Submitted.

**Examples**

```
n=400
y = c(rep(1, n/2), rep(0, n/2))
y = cbind(y, rnorm(n))
y = cbind(y, rnorm(n))

maf = seq(0.05, 0.5, 0.05)
g = NULL
for (j in 1:10){
  geno.freq = c(maf[j]^2, 2*maf[j]*(1-maf[j]), (1-maf[j])^2)
  g = cbind(g, sample(c(0,1,2), n, replace=TRUE, prob=geno.freq))
}
mlmp.test(g, y, weights=rep(1,10))
```



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`null.par`*Estimate the Null Segregation Parameters of the Linear Mixed Model*

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## Description

`null.par` estimates the null segregation parameters of the linear mixed model. Its output is used by `LMM.test` to compute the linear mixed model score statistic.

## Usage

```
null.par(K, y, X)
```

## Arguments

<code>K</code>	an $n \times n$ BN relatedness matrix computed by function <code>kinf.BN</code> . Here $n$ is the number of individuals with non-missing phenotype values.
<code>y</code>	a numeric vector of length $n$ containing phenotype values.
<code>X</code>	an $n \times p$ numeric matrix of covariate values. $p$ is the number of covariates.

## Details

A profile likelihood is maximized.

## Value

A list containing the following components:

<code>y1</code>	the centered vector of <code>y</code> .
<code>Sigma0.1</code>	the inverse of matrix <code>Sigma0</code> , the variance matrix of <code>y</code> .

## Author(s)

Kai Wang <kai-wang@uiowa.edu>

## References

Wang K. (2012) A valid and powerful mixed model method for genome-wide association studies. Submitted.

## See Also

`kinf.BN` for computing `K` and `LMM.test` for conducting the score test based on the linear mixed model.

**Examples**

```
G = matrix(sample(c(0,1,2), 200, replace=TRUE), ncol=10)
y = rnorm(10)
X = matrix(rnorm(10), ncol=1)
BN = kinf.BN(G, whole=TRUE)

null.par(BN, y, X)
```

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SNPass.test

*An SNP Association Test using a Proportional Odds Model*


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**Description**

SNPass.test performs a test on association between an SNP and one or more phenotypes.

**Usage**

```
SNPass.test(geno, pheno)
```

**Arguments**

geno	a length n vector of SNP genotypes on study subjects. Scoring of the genotypes aa, aA, and AA does not matter as long as the the score for the heterogeneous genotype is between the two homogeneous genotype scores.
pheno	an n x p matrix of phenotype values. p could be 1. Phenotype can be dichotomous, continuous, or a mix of both types.

**Details**

The name of this function may change in the future.

**Value**

A list with class "hctest" containing the following components:

statistic	the value of the test statistic.
p.value	the p-value for the test computed from a chi-square distribution with 1 df.
method	a character string indicting the test performed.
data.name	a character string giving the name of the data.

**Author(s)**

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**References**

Wang, K. (2012) Genetic association analysis with multiple phenotypes possibly of different types. Submitted.

**Examples**

```
pheno = c(1,1,1,1,1,0,0,0,0,0)
geno = c(0,1,1,2,2,1,1,1,2,2)
SNPass.test(geno, pheno)
```

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VSTF.test	<i>Association Tests for Rare Variants Based on Variance-Stabilizing Transformation</i>
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**Description**

VSTF.test performs tests on association between a rare variant and case-control status using a variance-stabilizing transformation.

**Usage**

```
VSTF.test(G, method = "Anscombe")
```

**Arguments**

G	a 2x2 matrix. The first row is for cases and the second one for controls. In each row, the first element is the number of non-carriers and the second one is the number of carriers with at least 1 copy of the variant.
method	a character string indicating which transformation to use. One of "Anscombe" (default), "arcsine", "Freeman-Tukey", and "Chanter".

**Details**

Each test is named after the author(s) of the corresponding publication.

**Value**

A list with class "test" containing the following components:

statistic	the value of the test statistic.
p.value	the p-value for the test computed from a chi-square distribution with 1 df.
method	a character string indicting the test performed.
data.name	a character string giving the name of the data.

**Author(s)**

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## Examples

```
## Example 1 of Li et al. (2010)
G = rbind(c(14, 999), c(3, 1081))
VSTF.test(G)
VSTF.test(G, method = "arcsine")
VSTF.test(G, method = "Freeman-Tukey")
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