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OptSig.2p2n	test for two proportions (same sample sizes) Optimal significance level calculation for the test for two proportions (different sample sizes)
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OptSig.F	Optimal Significance Level for an F-test
OptSig.Weight	Weighted Optimal Significance Level for the F-test based on the assumption of normality in the error term
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OptSig.r	Optimal significance level calculation for correlation test
OptSig.t2n	Optimal significance level calculation for two samples (different sizes) t-tests of means
Power.Chisq	Function to calculate the power of a Chi-square test
Power.F	Function to calculate the power of an F-test
R.OLS	Restricted OLS estimation and F-test
data1	Data for the U.S. production function estimation

The package accompanies the paper: Kim and Choi, 2020, Choosing the Level of Significance: A Decision-theoretic Approach. Abacus. Wiley.

It oprovides functions for the optimal level of significance for the test for linear restiction in a regeression model.

Other basic statistical tests, including those for population mean and proportion, are also covered using the functions from the pwr package.

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- Kim, JH and Ji, P. 2015, Significance Testing in Empirical Finance: A Critical Review and Assessment, *Journal of Empirical Finance* 34, 1-14. <DOI:<http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.jempfin.2015.08.006>>
- Kim, Jae H., 2020, Decision-theoretic hypothesis testing: A primer with R package OptSig, *The American Statistician*. <<https://doi.org/10.1080/00031305.2020.1750484>>

## Examples

```
data(data1)
y=data1$lnoutput; x=cbind(data1$lncapital,data1$lnlabor)
# Restriction matrices to test for constant returns to scale
Rmat=matrix(c(0,1,1),nrow=1); rvec=matrix(0.94,nrow=1)
# Model Estimation and F-test
M=R.OLS(y,x,Rmat,rvec)

# Degrees of Freedom and estimate of non-centrality parameter
K=ncol(x)+1; T=length(y)
df1=nrow(Rmat);df2=T-K; NCP=M$ncp

# Optimal level of Significance: Under Normality
OptSig.F(df1,df2,ncp=NCP,p=0.5,k=1, Figure=TRUE)
```

*data1*

*Data for the U.S. production function estimation*

## Description

US production, capital, labour in natural logs for the year 2005

## Usage

```
data("data1")
```

## Format

A data frame with 51 observations on the following 3 variables.

```
lnoutput natural log of output
lnlabor natural log of labor
lncapital natural log of capital
```

## Details

The data contains 51 observations for 50 US states and Washington DC

## Source

Gujarati, D. 2015, Econometrics by Example, Second edition, Palgrave.

## References

See Section 2.2 of Gujarati (2015)

Kim and Choi, 2020, Choosing the Level of Significance: A Decision-theoretic Approach, Abacus: a Journal of Accounting, Finance and Business Studies. Wiley. <<https://doi.org/10.1111/abac.12172>>

## Examples

```
data(data1)
```

Opt.sig.norm.test	<i>Optimal significance level calculation for the mean of a normal distribution (known variance)</i>
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## Description

Computes the optimal significance level for the mean of a normal distribution (known variance)

## Usage

```
Opt.sig.norm.test(ncp=NULL,d=NULL,n=NULL,p=0.5,k=1,alternative="two.sided",Figure=TRUE)
```

## Arguments

ncp	Non-centrality parameter
d	Effect size, Cohen's d
n	Sample size
p	prior probability for H0, default is p = 0.5
k	relative loss from Type I and II errors, k = L2/L1, default is k = 1
alternative	a character string specifying the alternative hypothesis, must be one of "two.sided" (default), "greater" or "less"
Figure	show graph if TRUE (default); No graph if FALSE

## Details

Refer to Kim and Choi (2020) for the details of k and p

Either ncp or d value should be given.

In a general term, if  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ ; let  $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$ ; and  $H_1: \mu = \mu_1$ ;

$ncp = \sqrt{n}(\mu_1 - \mu_0)/\sigma$

$d = (\mu_1 - \mu_0)/\sigma$ : Cohen's d

**Value**

<code>alpha.opt</code>	Optimal level of significance
<code>beta.opt</code>	Type II error probability at the optimal level

**Note**

Also refer to the manual for the pwr package

The black curve in the figure is the line of enlightened judgement: see Kim and Choi (2019). The red dot indicates the optimal significance level that minimizes the expected loss: (`alpha.opt,beta.opt`). The blue horizontal line indicates the case of  $\alpha = 0.05$  as a reference point.

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**References**

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**See Also**

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**Examples**

```
Opt.sig.norm.test(d=0.2,n=60,alternative="two.sided")
```

<code>Opt.sig.t.test</code>	<i>Optimal significance level calculation for t-tests of means (one sample, two samples and paired samples)</i>
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**Description**

Computes the optimal significance level for the test for t-tests of means

**Usage**

```
Opt.sig.t.test(ncp=NULL,d=NULL,n=NULL,p=0.5,k=1,
type="one.sample",alternative="two.sided",Figure=TRUE)
```

### Arguments

ncp	Non-centrality parameter
d	Effect size
n	Sample size
p	prior probability for H0, default is p = 0.5
k	relative loss from Type I and II errors, k = L2/L1, default is k = 1
type	Type of t test : one- two- or paired-sample
alternative	a character string specifying the alternative hypothesis, must be one of "two.sided" (default), "greater" or "less"
Figure	show graph if TRUE (default); No graph if FALSE

### Details

Refer to Kim and Choi (2020) for the details of k and p

Either ncp or d value should be given, with the value of n.

In a general term, if  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ ; let  $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$ ; and  $H_1: \mu = \mu_1$ ;

$ncp = \sqrt{n}(\mu_1 - \mu_0)/\sigma$

$d = (\mu_1 - \mu_0)/\sigma$ : Cohen's d

### Value

alpha.opt	Optimal level of significance
beta.opt	Type II error probability at the optimal level

### Note

Also refer to the manual for the pwr package

The black curve in the figure is the line of enlightened judgement: see Kim and Choi (2020). The red dot indicates the optimal significance level that minimizes the expected loss: (alpha.opt,beta.opt). The blue horizontal line indicates the case of alpha = 0.05 as a reference point.

### Author(s)

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### References

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**Examples**

```
Opt.sig.t.test(d=0.2,n=60,type="one.sample",alternative="two.sided")
```

**OptSig.2p**

*Optimal significance level calculation for the test for two proportions  
(same sample sizes)*

**Description**

Computes the optimal significance level for the test for two proportions

**Usage**

```
OptSig.2p(ncp=NULL,h=NULL,n=NULL,p=0.5,k=1,alternative="two.sided",Figure=TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

ncp	Non-centrality parameter
h	Effect size, Cohen's h
n	Number of observations (per sample)
p	prior probability for H0, default is p = 0.5
k	relative loss from Type I and II errors, k = L2/L1, default is k = 1
alternative	a character string specifying the alternative hypothesis, must be one of "two.sided" (default), "greater" or "less"
Figure	show graph if TRUE (default); No graph if FALSE

**Details**

Refer to Kim and Choi (2020) for the details of k and p

Either ncp or h value should be specified.

For h, refer to Cohen (1988) or Champely (2017)

In a general term, if  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ ; let  $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$ ; and  $H_1: \mu = \mu_1$ ;

$$\text{ncp} = \sqrt{n}(\mu_1 - \mu_0)/\sigma$$

**Value**

alpha.opt	Optimal level of significance
beta.opt	Type II error probability at the optimal level

**Note**

Also refer to the manual for the pwr package,

The black curve in the figure is the line of enlightened judgement: see Kim and Choi (2020). The red dot indicates the optimal significance level that minimizes the expected loss: (alpha.opt,beta.opt). The blue horizontal line indicates the case of alpha = 0.05 as a reference point.

**Author(s)**

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**Examples**

```
OptSig.2p2n(h=0.2,n=60,alternative="two.sided")
```

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OptSig.2p2n

*Optimal significance level calculation for the test for two proportions  
(different sample sizes)*

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**Description**

Computes the optimal significance level for the test for two proportions

**Usage**

```
OptSig.2p2n(ncp=NULL,h=NULL,n1=NULL,n2=NULL,p=0.5,k=1,alternative="two.sided",Figure=TRUE)
```

### Arguments

ncp	Non-centrality parameter
h	Effect size, Cohen's h
n1	Number of observations (1st sample)
n2	Number of observations (2nd sample)
p	prior probability for H0, default is p = 0.5
k	relative loss from Type I and II errors, k = L2/L1, default is k = 1
alternative	a character string specifying the alternative hypothesis, must be one of "two.sided" (default), "greater" or "less"
Figure	show graph if TRUE (default); No graph if FALSE

### Details

Refer to Kim and Choi (2020) for the details of k and p

Either ncp or h value should be specified.

For h, refer to Cohen (1988) or Champely (2017)

Assume  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ ; and let  $H0:\mu = \mu_0$ ; and  $H1:\mu = \mu_1$ ;

$$\text{ncp} = \sqrt{n}(\mu_1 - \mu_0)/\sigma$$

### Value

alpha.opt	Optimal level of significance
beta.opt	Type II error probability at the optimal level

### Note

Also refer to the manual for the pwr package

The black curve in the figure is the line of enlightened judgement: see Kim and Choi (2020). The red dot indicates the optimal significance level that minimizes the expected loss: (alpha.opt,beta.opt). The blue horizontal line indicates the case of alpha = 0.05 as a reference point.

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**Examples**

```
OptSig.2p2n(h=0.30,n1=80,n2=245,alternative="greater")
```

**OptSig.anova**

*Optimal significance level calculation for balanced one-way analysis of variance tests*

**Description**

Computes the optimal significance level for the test for balanced one-way analysis of variance tests

**Usage**

```
OptSig.anova(K = NULL, n = NULL, f = NULL, p = 0.5, k = 1, Figure = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

K	Number of groups
n	Number of observations (per group)
f	Effect size
p	prior probability for H0, default is p = 0.5
k	relative loss from Type I and II errors, k = L2/L1, default is k = 1
Figure	show graph if TRUE (default); No graph if FALSE

**Details**

Refer to Kim and Choi (2020) for the details of k and p

For the value of f, refer to Cohen (1988) or Champely (2017)

**Value**

alpha.opt	Optimal level of significance
beta.opt	Type II error probability at the optimal level

**Note**

Also refer to the manual for the pwr package

The black curve in the figure is the line of enlightened judgement: see Kim and Choi (2020). The red dot indicates the optimal significance level that minimizes the expected loss: (alpha.opt,beta.opt). The blue horizontal line indicates the case of alpha = 0.05 as a reference point.

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**Examples**

```
OptSig.anova(f=0.28,K=4,n=20)
```

*OptSig.Boot*

*Optimal Significance Level for the F-test using the bootstrap*

**Description**

The function calculates the optimal level of significance for the F-test

The bootstrap can be conducted using either iid resampling or wild bootstrap.

**Usage**

```
OptSig.Boot(y,x,Rmat,rvec,p=0.5,k=1,nboot=3000,wild=FALSE,Figure=TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

<i>y</i>	a matrix of dependent variable, T by 1
<i>x</i>	a matrix of K independent variable, T by K
<i>Rmat</i>	a matrix for J restrictions, J by (K+1)
<i>rvec</i>	a vector for restrictions, J by 1
<i>p</i>	prior probability for H0, default is p = 0.5
<i>k</i>	relative loss from Type I and II errors, k = L2/L1, default is k = 1
<i>nboot</i>	the number of bootstrap iterations, the default is 3000
<i>wild</i>	if TRUE, wild bootstrap is conducted; if FALSE (default), bootstrap is based on iid residual resampling
<i>Figure</i>	show graph if TRUE (default). No graph otherwise

**Details**

See Kim and Choi (2020)

**Value**

alpha.opt	Optimal level of significance
crit.opt	Critical value at the optimal level
beta.opt	Type II error probability at the optimal level

**Note**

Applicable to a linear regression model

The black curve in the figure plots the density under H0; The blue curve in the figure plots the density under H1.

**Author(s)**

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**References**

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**Examples**

```
data(data1)
# Define Y and X
y=data1$lnoutput; x=cbind(data1$lncapital,data1$lnlabor)

# Restriction matrices to test for constant returns to scale
Rmat=matrix(c(0,1,1),nrow=1); rvec=matrix(0.94,nrow=1)

OptSig.Boot(y,x,Rmat,rvec,p=0.5,k=1,nboot=1000,Figure=TRUE)
```

<code>OptSig.BootWeight</code>	<i>Weighted Optimal Significance Level for the F-test based on the bootstrap</i>
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## Description

The function calculates the weighted optimal level of significance for the F-test

The weights are obtained from the bootstrap distribution of the non-centrality parameter estimates

## Usage

```
OptSig.BootWeight(y,x,Rmat,rvec,p=0.5,k=1,nboot=3000,wild=FALSE,Figure=TRUE)
```

## Arguments

<code>y</code>	a matrix of dependent variable, T by 1
<code>x</code>	a matrix of K independent variable, T by K
<code>Rmat</code>	a matrix for J restrictions, J by (K+1)
<code>rvec</code>	a vector for restrictions, J by 1
<code>p</code>	prior probability for H0, default is p = 0.5
<code>k</code>	relative loss from Type I and II errors, k = L2/L1, default is k = 1
<code>nboot</code>	the number of bootstrap iterations, the default is 3000
<code>wild</code>	if TRUE, wild bootstrap is conducted (default); if FALSE, bootstrap is based on iid resampling
<code>Figure</code>	show graph if TRUE . No graph if FALSE (default)

## Details

The bootstrap can be conducted using either iid resampling or wild bootstrap.

## Value

<code>alpha.opt</code>	Optimal level of significance
<code>crit.opt</code>	Critical value at the optimal level

## Note

Applicable to a linear regression model

## Author(s)

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## References

Kim and Choi, 2020, Choosing the Level of Significance: A Decision-theoretic Approach. Abacus, Wiley. <<https://doi.org/10.1111/abac.12172>>

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## Examples

```
data(data1)
# Define Y and X
y=data1$lnoutput; x=cbind(data1$lncapital,data1$lnlabor)
# Restriction matrices to test for constant returns to scale
Rmat=matrix(c(0,1,1),nrow=1); rvec=matrix(0.94,nrow=1)

OptSig.Boot(y,x,Rmat,rvec,p=0.5,k=1,nboot=1000,Figure=TRUE)
```

**OptSig.Chisq**

*Optimal Significance Level for a Chi-square test*

## Description

The function calculates the optimal level of significance for a Ch-square test

## Usage

```
OptSig.Chisq(w=NULL, N=NULL, ncp=NULL, df, p = 0.5, k = 1, Figure = TRUE)
```

## Arguments

w	Effect size, Cohen's w
N	Total number of observations
ncp	a value of the non-centrality parameter
df	the degrees of freedom
p	prior probability for H0, default is p = 0.5
k	relative loss from Type I and II errors, k = L2/L1, default is k = 1
Figure	show graph if TRUE (default); No graph if FALSE

## Details

See Kim and Choi (2020)

## Value

<code>alpha.opt</code>	Optimal level of significance
<code>crit.opt</code>	Critical value at the optimal level
<code>beta.opt</code>	Type II error probability at the optimal level

## Note

Applicable to any Chi-square test Either ncp or w (with N) should be given.

The black curve in the figure is the line of enlightened judgement: see Kim and Choi (2020). The red dot indicates the optimal significance level that minimizes the expected loss: (`alpha.opt`,`beta.opt`). The blue horizontal line indicates the case of  $\alpha = 0.05$  as a reference point.

## Author(s)

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## References

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## Examples

```
# Optimal level of Significance for the Breusch-Pagan test: Chi-square version
data(data1) # call the data: Table 2.1 of Gujarati (2015)

# Extract Y and X
y=data1$lnoutput; x=cbind(data1$lncapital,data1$lnlabor)

# Restriction matrices for the slope coefficents sum to 1
Rmat=matrix(c(0,1,1),nrow=1); rvec=matrix(1,nrow=1)

# Model Estimation
```

```

M=R.OLS(y,x,Rmat,rvec); print(M$coef)

# Breusch-Pagan test for heteroskedasticity
e = M$resid[,1]           # residuals from unrestricted model estimation

# Restriction matrices for the slope coefficients being 0
Rmat=matrix(c(0,0,1,0,0,1),nrow=2); rvec=matrix(0,nrow=2)

# Model Estimation for the auxilliary regression
M1=R.OLS(e^2,x,Rmat,rvec);

# Degrees of Freedom and estimate of non-centrality parameter
df1=nrow(Rmat); NCP=M1$ncp

# LM stat and p-value
LM=nrow(data1)*M1$Rsq[1,1]
pval=pchisq(LM,df=df1,lower.tail = FALSE)

OptSig.Chisq(df=df1,ncp=NCP,p=0.5,k=1, Figure=TRUE)

```

---

**OptSig.F***Optimal Significance Level for an F-test***Description**

The function calculates the optimal level of significance for an F-test

**Usage**

```
OptSig.F(df1, df2, ncp, p = 0.5, k = 1, Figure = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

df1	the first degrees of freedom for the F-distribution
df2	the second degrees of freedom for the F-distribution
ncp	a value of of the non-centrality paramter
p	prior probability for H0, default is p = 0.5
k	relative loss from Type I and II errors, k = L2/L1, default is k = 1
Figure	show graph if TRUE (default); No graph if FALSE

**Details**

See Kim and Choi (2020)

**Value**

alpha.opt	Optimal level of significance
crit.opt	Critical value at the optimal level
beta.opt	Type II error probability at the optimal level

### Note

Applicable to any F-test, following F-distribution

The black curve in the figure is the line of enlightened judgement: see Kim and Choi (2020). The red dot indicates the optimal significance level that minimizes the expected loss: ( $\alpha_{opt}, \beta_{opt}$ ). The blue horizontal line indicates the case of  $\alpha = 0.05$  as a reference point.

### Author(s)

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### References

Kim and Choi, 2020, Choosing the Level of Significance: A Decision-theoretic Approach: Abacus: a Journal of Accounting, Finance and Business Studies. Wiley. <<https://doi.org/10.1111/abac.12172>>

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### Examples

```

data(data1)
# Define Y and X
y=data1$lnoutput; x=cbind(data1$lncapital,data1$lnlabor)
# Restriction matrices to test for constant returns to scale
Rmat=matrix(c(0,1,1),nrow=1); rvec=matrix(0.94,nrow=1)
# Model Estimation and F-test
M=R.OLS(y,x,Rmat,rvec)

# Degrees of Freedom and estimate of non-centrality parameter
K=ncol(x)+1; T=length(y)
df1=nrow(Rmat); df2=T-K; NCP=M$ncp

# Optimal level of Significance: Under Normality
OptSig.F(df1,df2,ncp=NCP,p=0.5,k=1, Figure=TRUE)

```

---

OptSig.p*Optimal significance level calculation for proportion tests (one sample)*

---

**Description**

Computes the optimal significance level for proportion tests (one sample)

**Usage**

```
OptSig.p(ncp=NULL, h=NULL, n=NULL, p=0.5, k=1, alternative="two.sided", Figure=TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

ncp	Non-centrality parameter
h	Effect size, Cohen's h
n	Number of observations (per sample)
p	prior probability for H0, default is p = 0.5
k	relative loss from Type I and II errors, k = L2/L1, default is k = 1
alternative	a character string specifying the alternative hypothesis, must be one of "two.sided" (default), "greater" or "less"
Figure	show graph if TRUE (default); No graph if FALSE

**Details**

Refer to Kim and Choi (2020) for the details of k and p

Either ncp or h value should be given

For h, refer to Cohen (1988) or Chapmely (2017)

In a general term, if  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ ; let  $H_0:\mu = \mu_0$ ; and  $H_1:\mu = \mu_1$ ;

$ncp = \sqrt{n}(\mu_1 - \mu_0)/\sigma$

**Value**

alpha.opt	Optimal level of significance
beta.opt	Type II error probability at the optimal level

**Note**

Also refer to the manual for the pwr package

The black curve in the figure is the line of enlightened judgement: see Kim and Choi (2020). The red dot indicates the optimal significance level that minimizes the expected loss: (alpha.opt,beta.opt). The blue horizontal line indicates the case of alpha = 0.05 as a reference point.

**Author(s)**

Jae H. Kim (using a function from the pwr package)

**References**

- Kim and Choi, 2020, Choosing the Level of Significance: A Decision-theoretic Approach: Abacus: a Journal of Accounting, Finance and Business Studies. Wiley. <<https://doi.org/10.1111/abac.12172>>
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**See Also**

Kim, Jae H., 2020, Decision-theoretic hypothesis testing: A primer with R package OptSig, The American Statistician. <<https://doi.org/10.1080/00031305.2020.1750484>.>

**Examples**

```
OptSig.p(h=0.2,n=60,alternative="two.sided")
```

---

OptSig.r

*Optimal significance level calculation for correlation test*

---

**Description**

Computes the optimal significance level for the correlation test

**Usage**

```
OptSig.r(r=NULL,n=NULL,p=0.5,k=1,alternative="two.sided",Figure=TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

r	Linear correlation coefficient
n	sample size
p	prior probability for H0, default is p = 0.5
k	relative loss from Type I and II error, k = L2/L1, default is k = 1
alternative	a character string specifying the alternative hypothesis, must be one of "two.sided" (default), "greater" or "less"
Figure	show graph if TRUE (default); No graph if FALSE

## Details

Refer to Kim and Choi (2020) for the details of k and p

In a general term, if  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ ; let  $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$ ; and  $H_1: \mu = \mu_1$ ;

$$ncp = \sqrt{n}(\mu_1 - \mu_0)/\sigma$$

## Value

<code>alpha.opt</code>	Optimal level of significance
<code>beta.opt</code>	Type II error probability at the optimal level

## Note

Also refer to the manual for the pwr package

The black curve in the figure is the line of enlightened judgement: see Kim and Choi (2020). The red dot indicates the optimal significance level that minimizes the expected loss: (`alpha.opt`,`beta.opt`). The blue horizontal line indicates the case of  $\alpha = 0.05$  as a reference point.

## Author(s)

Jae H. Kim (using a function from the pwr package)

## References

- Kim and Choi, 2020, Choosing the Level of Significance: A Decision-theoretic Approach: Abacus: a Journal of Accounting, Finance and Business Studies. Wiley. <<https://doi.org/10.1111/abac.12172>>
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## See Also

Kim, Jae H., 2020, Decision-theoretic hypothesis testing: A primer with R package OptSig, The American Statistician. <<https://doi.org/10.1080/00031305.2020.1750484>>

## Examples

```
OptSig.r(r=0.2, n=60, alternative="two.sided")
```

---

**OptSig.t2n***Optimal significance level calculation for two samples (different sizes)  
t-tests of means*

---

**Description**

Computes the optimal significance level for two samples (different sizes) t-tests of means

**Usage**

```
OptSig.t2n(ncp=NULL, d=NULL, n1=NULL, n2=NULL, p=0.5, k=1, alternative="two.sided", Figure=TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

ncp	Non-centrality parameter
d	Effect size
n1	umber of observations in the first sample
n2	umber of observations in the second sample
p	prior probability for H0, default is p = 0.5
k	relative loss from Type I and II errors, k = L2/L1, default is k = 1
alternative	a character string specifying the alternative hypothesis, must be one of "two.sided" (default), "greater" or "less"
Figure	show graph if TRUE (default); No graph if FALSE

**Details**

Refer to Kim and Choi (2020) for the details of k and p

Either ncp or d value should be specified.

In a general term, if  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ ; let  $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$ ; and  $H_1: \mu = \mu_1$ ;

$ncp = \sqrt{n}(\mu_1 - \mu_0)/\sigma$

$d = (\mu_1 - \mu_0)/\sigma$ : Cohen's d

**Value**

alpha.opt	Optimal level of significance
beta.opt	Type II error probability at the optimal level

**Note**

Also refer to the manual for the pwr package

The black curve in the figure is the line of enlightened judgement: see Kim and Choi (2020). The red dot inticates the optimal significance level that minimizes the expected loss: (alpha.opt,beta.opt). The blue horizontal line indicates the case of alpha = 0.05 as a reference point.

**Author(s)**

Jae H. Kim (using a function from the pwr package)

**References**

- Kim and Choi, 2020, Choosing the Level of Significance: A Decision-theoretic Approach: Abacus: a Journal of Accounting, Finance and Business Studies. Wiley. <<https://doi.org/10.1111/abac.12172>>
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**See Also**

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**Examples**

```
OptSig.t2n(d=0.6, n1=90, n2=60, alternative="greater")
```

**OptSig.Weight**

*Weighted Optimal Significance Level for the F-test based on the assumption of normality in the error term*

**Description**

The function calculates the weighted optimal level of significance for the F-test

The weights are obtained from a folded-normal distribution with mean m and standard deviation delta

**Usage**

```
OptSig.Weight(df1, df2, m, delta = 2, p = 0.5, k = 1, Figure = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

<b>df1</b>	the first degrees of freedom for the F-distribution
<b>df2</b>	the second degrees of freedom for the F-distribution
<b>m</b>	a value of the non-centrality parameter, the mean of the folded-normal distribution
<b>delta</b>	standard deviation of the folded-normal distribution
<b>p</b>	prior probability for H0, default is p = 0.5
<b>k</b>	relative loss from Type I and II errors, k = L2/L1, default is k = 1
<b>Figure</b>	show graph if TRUE (default); No graph if FALSE

## Details

See Kim and Choi (2020)

## Value

alpha.opt	Optimal level of significance
crit.opt	Critical value at the optimal level

## Note

The figure shows the folded-normal distribution

## Author(s)

Jae H. Kim

## References

Kim and Choi, 2020, Choosing the Level of Significance: A Decision-theoretic Approach, Abacus, Wiley. <<https://doi.org/10.1111/abac.12172>>

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## Examples

```

data(data1)
# Define Y and X
y=data1$lnoutput; x=cbind(data1$lncapital,data1$lnlabor)
# Restriction matrices to test for constant returns to scale
Rmat=matrix(c(0,1,1),nrow=1); rvec=matrix(0.94,nrow=1)
# Model Estimation and F-test
M=R.OLS(y,x,Rmat,rvec)

# Degrees of Freedom and estimate of non-centrality parameter
K=ncol(x)+1; T=length(y)
df1=nrow(Rmat);df2=T-K; NCP=M$ncp

OptSig.Weight(df1,df2,m=NCP,delta=3,p=0.5,k=1,Figure=TRUE)

```

---

Power.Chisq*Function to calculate the power of a Chi-square test*

---

**Description**

This function calculates the power of a Chi-square test, given the value of non-centrality parameter

**Usage**

```
Power.Chisq(df, ncp, alpha, Figure = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

df	degree of freedom
ncp	a value of of the non-centrality paramter
alpha	the level of significance
Figure	show graph if TRUE (default); No graph if FALSE

**Details**

See Kim and Choi (2020)

**Value**

Power	Power of the test
Crit.val	Critical value at alpha level of significance

**Note**

See Application Section and Appendix of Kim and Choi (2017)

**Author(s)**

Jae H. Kim

**References**

Kim and Choi, 2020, Choosing the Level of Significance: A Decision-theoretic Approach, Abacus, Wiley. <<https://doi.org/10.1111/abac.12172>>

**See Also**

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### Examples

```
Power.Chisq(df=5,ncp=5,alpha=0.05,Figure=TRUE)
```

**Power.F**

*Function to calculate the power of an F-test*

### Description

This function calculates the power of an F-test, given the value of non-centrality parameter

### Usage

```
Power.F(df1, df2, ncp, alpha, Figure = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

df1	the first degrees of freedom for the F-distribution
df2	the second degrees of freedom for the F-distribution
ncp	a value of of the non-centrality paramter
alpha	the level of significance
Figure	show graph if TRUE (default); No graph if FALSE

### Details

See Kim and Choi (2020)

### Value

Power	Power of the test
Crit.val	Critical value at alpha level of signfcance

### Note

See Application Section and Appendix of Kim and Choi (2020)

### Author(s)

Jae H. Kim

### References

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- Kim, Jae H., 2020, Decision-theoretic hypothesis testing: A primer with R package OptSig, The American Statistician. <<https://doi.org/10.1080/00031305.2020.1750484>.>

**Examples**

```

data(data1)
# Define Y and X
y=data1$lnoutput; x=cbind(data1$lncapital,data1$lnlabor)
# Restriction matrices to test for constant returns to scale
Rmat=matrix(c(0,1,1),nrow=1); rvec=matrix(0.94,nrow=1)
# Model Estimation and F-test
M=R.OLS(y,x,Rmat,rvec)
# Degrees of Freedom and estimate of non-centrality parameter
K=ncol(x)+1; T=length(y)
df1=nrow(Rmat); df2=T-K; NCP=M$ncp

Power.F(df1,df2,ncp=NCP,alpha=0.20747,Figure=TRUE)

```

R.OLS

*Restricted OLS estimation and F-test***Description**

Function to calculate the Restricted (under H0) OLS Estimators and F-test statistic

**Usage**

```
R.OLS(y, x, Rmat, rvec)
```

**Arguments**

y	a matrix of dependent variable, T by 1
x	a matrix of K independent variable, T by K
Rmat	a matrix for J restrictions, J by (K+1)
rvec	a vector for restrictions, J by 1

**Details**

Rmat and rvec are the matrices for the linear restrictions, which a user should supply.

Refer to an econometrics textbook for details.

**Value**

coef	matrix of estimated coefficients, (K+1) by 2, under H1 and H0
RSq	R-square values under H1 and H0, 2 by 1
resid	residual vector under H1 and H0, T by 2
F.stat	F-statistic and p-value
ncp	non-centrality parameter, estimated by replaicing unknowns using OLS estimates

**Note**

The function automatically adds an intercept, so the user need not include a vector of ones in x matrix.

**Author(s)**

Jae H. Kim

**References**

Kim and Choi, 2020, Choosing the Level of Significance: A Decision-theoretic Approach, Abacus, Wiley. <<https://doi.org/10.1111/abac.12172>>

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**Examples**

```
data(data1)
# Define Y and X
y=data1$lnoutput; x=cbind(data1$lncapital,data1$lnlabor)
# Restriction matrices to test for constant returns to scale
Rmat=matrix(c(0,1,1),nrow=1); rvec=matrix(1,nrow=1)
# Model Estimation and F-test
M=R.OLS(y,x,Rmat,rvec)
```

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