# Package 'R2D2ordinal'

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**Title** Implements Pseudo-R2D2 Prior for Ordinal Regression

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**Description** Implements the pseudo-R2D2 prior for ordinal regression from the paper ``Psuedo-R2D2 prior for high-dimensional ordinal regression'' by Yanchenko (2025) <doi:10.48550/arXiv.2502.17491>. In particular, it provides code to evaluate the probability distribution function for the cut-points, compute the log-likelihood, calculate the hyper-parameters for the global variance parameter, find the distribution of McFadden's coefficient-of-determination, and fit the model in 'rstan'. Please cite the paper if you use these codes.

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**SystemRequirements** GNU make

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**VignetteBuilder** knitr

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`dcut` *PDF of cut-points*

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## Description

This function computes the value of the probability density function for the cut-points. The distribution is induced by a Dirichlet distribution on the prior probabilities of the response.

## Usage

```
dcut(tau, W, alpha, log = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

| | |
|---|---|
| `tau` | cut-points |
| `W` | global variance |
| `alpha` | concentration parameters for prior probabilities of Y |
| `log` | logical; if TRUE, returns log pdf |

## Value

value of pdf at tau

## Examples

```
tau = c(-1,1) # set cut points
W = 1 # set value of global variance
alpha = c(1,1,1) #concentration parameters
dcut(tau, W, alpha, log=FALSE)
```

`find_param` *Find optimal GIG parameters for W prior*

## Description

This function finds the optimal GIG parameters for the prior on W which induces a beta prior distribution on McFadden's R2.

## Usage

```
find_param(
  a,
  b,
  n,
  K,
  alpha = rep(1, K),
  nsims = 1000,
  nreps = 5,
  no_cores = 10
)
```

## Arguments

| | |
|---|---|
| `a` | hyper-parameter of prior for R2 ~ Beta(a,b) |
| `b` | hyper-parameter of prior for R2 ~ Beta(a,b) |
| `n` | number of observations |
| `K` | number of response categories |
| `alpha` | prior hyper-parameters for prior Dirichlet distribution on response probabilities |
| `nsims` | number of times to simulate data |
| `nreps` | number of times to run the algorithm (default = 5) |
| `no_cores` | number of cores to parallelize data-generation process |

## Value

Optimal GIG parameters

## Examples

```
a = 1
b = 5
n = 100
K = 3
find_param(a, b, n, K, no_cores=1)
```

## llike *Log-Likelihood for ordinal regression*

### Description

This function evaluates the log-likelihood of the response for a given value of the parameters.

### Usage

```
llike(Y, W, tau)
```

### Arguments

| | |
|---|---|
| Y | ordinal response |
| W | global variance |
| tau | cut-points |

### Value

value of log-likelihood at Y, W and tau

### Examples

```
set.seed(1234)
K = 3 # number of response categories
Y = sample(1:K, 10, replace=TRUE) # generate responses
W = 1
tau = c(-1, 1) # set parameter values
llike(Y, W, tau)
```

## ord_r2d2 *Ordinal regression in Stan with R2D2 prior*

### Description

This function carries out a Bayesian ordinal regression model in Stan using the proposed psuedo-R2D2 prior

## Usage

```
ord_r2d2(
  x,
  y,
  K,
  a = 1,
  b = 10,
  hyper = NULL,
  alpha = rep(1, K),
  nsims = 1000,
  nreps = 5,
  no_cores = 10,
  progress = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

| | |
|---|---|
| x | covariate matrix |
| y | response variables |
| K | number of response categories |
| a | hyper-parameter of prior for R2 ~ Beta(a,b) |
| b | hyper-parameter of prior for R2 ~ Beta(a,b) |
| hyper | hyper-parameters for W prior |
| alpha | prior hyper-parameters for prior Dirichlet distribution on response probabilities |
| nsims | number of times to simulate data |
| nreps | number of times to run the algorithm (default = 5) |
| no_cores | number of cores to parallelize data-generation process |
| progress | logical. if TRUE, shows the progress bars from the posterior sampling. |
| ... | optional hyper-parameters for Stan fitting |

## Value

Stan model fit

## Examples

```
# X are covariates, Y are responses, K is number of response categories
# This example will yield low R2 values as the response are independent of the covariates.
set.seed(1234)
n = 100
p = 5
X = matrix(rnorm(n*p), nrow = n, ncol=p)
K = 3
Y = sample(1:K, 100, replace=TRUE)
a = 1
```

```
b = 5
# Pre-computed hyperparameters
fit <- ord_r2d2(X, Y, K, hyper=c(0.002, 0.989, 1.013), no_cores=1)
out <- rstan::extract(fit)
# Plot histogram of posterior W
hist(out$W, xlab="W")
```

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r2_mc *Posterior distribution of McFadden's R2*

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## Description

This function finds the posterior distribution of McFadden's R2 given the posterior samples from a Stan model fit

## Usage

```
r2_mc(Y, out)
```

## Arguments

| | |
|---|---|
| Y | ordinal response |
| out | posterior samples from R2D2 model fit in Stan |

## Value

Posterior samples from McFadden's R2

## Examples

```
# Obtain output from ord_r2d2() model fit
set.seed(1234)
# X are covariates, Y are responses, K is number of response categories
# This example will yield low R2 values as the response are independent of the covariates.
n = 100
p = 5
X = matrix(rnorm(n*p), nrow = n, ncol=p)
K = 3
Y = sample(1:K, 100, replace=TRUE)
a = 1
b = 5
# Pre-computed hyperparameters
fit <- ord_r2d2(X, Y, K, hyper=c(0.002, 0.989, 1.013), no_cores=1)
out <- rstan::extract(fit)
# Plot histogram of posterior R2
hist(r2_mc(Y, out), xlab="R2")
```

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