

# Package ‘GSSE’

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GSSE-package

*Genotype-Specific Survival Estimation*

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### Description

The package ‘GSSE’ (Genotype-Specific Survival Estimation) is made to implement a fully efficient sieve maximum likelihood method to estimate genotype-specific distribution of time-to-event outcomes under a nonparametric model. The package can handle missing genotypes in pedigrees. We estimate time-dependent hazard ratio between two genetic mutation groups using B-splines and apply nonparametric maximum likelihood estimation to the reference baseline hazard function. The estimators are calculated via an expectation-maximization algorithm.

### Details

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The main function is [Sieve\\_NPMLE\\_Switch\(\)](#). See the documentation file with examples.

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### References

Wang, Y., Clark, L. N., Louis, E. D., Mejia-Santana, H., Harris, J., Cote, L. J., ... & Marder, K. (2008). Risk of Parkinson disease in carriers of parkin mutations: estimation using the kin-cohort method. *Archives of neurology*, **65**(4), 467-474.

Qin, J., Garcia, T., Ma, Y., Tang, M., Marder, K. & Wang, Y. (2014). Combining isotonic regression and EM algorithm to predict genetic risk under monotonicity constraint. *The Annals of Applied Statistics* **8**(2), 1182-1208.

Wang, Y., Liang, B., Tong, X., Marder, K., Bressman, S., Orr-Urtreger, A., Giladi, N. & Zeng, D. (2015). Efficient estimation of nonparametric genetic risk function with censored data. *Biometrika*, **102**(3), 515-532.

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EM_PAVA_Func	<i>EM-PAVA function</i>
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### Description

This function is used to estimate the genotype-specific distribution of time-to-event outcomes using EM-PAVA algorithm (Qin et al. 2014).

### Usage

```
EM_PAVA_Func (q, x, delta, timeval, p, ep = 1e-05, maxiter = 400)
```

### Arguments

q	matrix of 2 columns, where the first and second columns are the probabilities of belonging to the carrier $p0G$ and non-carrier groups $1 - p0G$ , respectively.
x	observed event time or censoring time.
delta	indicator of event.
timeval	grid points at which the distribution function values are estimated.
p	number of groups.
ep	convergence criterion. Here, $ep = 1e-5$ is used as the default value.
maxiter	maximum number of EM iterations.

### Details

Technical details can be found in Qin et al. (2014).

### Value

Returns a list of prediction values for classes

Fest	estimated values at the points of timeval.
Fest.all	estimated values of cumulative distribution function on both carrier and non-carrier groups.

### References

Qin, J., Garcia, T., Ma, Y., Tang, M., Marder, K. & Wang, Y. (2014). Combining isotonic regression and EM algorithm to predict genetic risk under monotonicity constraint. *The Annals of Applied Statistics* **8**(2), 1182-1208.

### See Also

[p0G\\_Func\(\)](#), [Sieve\\_NPMLE\\_Switch\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```

data("Simulated_data");

OY = Simulated_data[,2];
ind = order(OY);
ODelta = Simulated_data[,3];
Op0G = Simulated_data[,4];

Y = OY[ind];
Delta = ODelta[ind];
p0G = Op0G[ind];

Grid = seq(0.01, 3.65, 0.01);
fix_t1 = c(0.288, 0.693, 1.390);
fix_t2 = c(0.779, 1.860, 3.650);

Empava_result = EM_PAVA_Func ( q = rbind(p0G,1-p0G), x = Y, delta = Delta,
                             timeval = Grid, p = 2, ep = 1e-4 );

all = sort(c(Grid, Y));

F_carr_func = function(x){ Empava_result$Fest.all[1, which.max(all[all <= x]) ] };
F_non_func = function(x){ Empava_result$Fest.all[2, which.max(all[all <= x]) ] };

PAVA_F1.hat_fix_t = apply( matrix(fix_t1, ncol=1), 1, F_carr_func );
PAVA_F2.hat_fix_t = apply( matrix(fix_t2, ncol=1), 1, F_non_func );

PAVA_F.hat_fix_t = data.frame( fix_t1 = fix_t1, PAVA_F1.hat = PAVA_F1.hat_fix_t,
                              fix_t2 = fix_t2, PAVA_F2.hat = PAVA_F2.hat_fix_t );

print(PAVA_F.hat_fix_t);

# plot estimated curves

F_carr = apply( matrix(Grid, ncol=1), 1, F_carr_func );
F_non = apply( matrix(Grid, ncol=1), 1, F_non_func );

plot( Grid, F_carr, type = 's', lty = 1,
      xlab = "Y", ylab = "Estimated Cumulative Distribution Function",
      ylim = c(0,1), col = 'blue' );
lines(Grid, F_non, type='s', lty=2, col='red');
legend("topleft", legend=c("Carrier group", "Non-Carrier group"),
      lty=c(1,2), col=c("blue", "red") );

```

**Description**

This is a small data set used for illustration of the ‘p0G’ calculation. There are 2 columns, 20 rows in this data set.

**Usage**

```
data("p0G_data")
```

**Format**

A data frame with 20 observations on the following 2 columns with

relative a factor with levels Child, Parent and Sibling,

proband\_pd a factor with levels No and Yes.

**Source**

This data set is a tiny subset of the data set of a Parkinson disease research project supported by Michael J. Fox Foundation.

**References**

- Wang, Y., Clark, L. N., Louis, E. D., Mejia-Santana, H., Harris, J., Cote, L. J., ... & Marder, K. (2008). Risk of Parkinson disease in carriers of parkin mutations: estimation using the kin-cohort method. *Archives of neurology*, **65**(4), 467-474.
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**See Also**

[p0G\\_Func\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
data("p0G_data")
```

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p0G\_Func

*Probability Calculation of Relative's Mutation Status*

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**Description**

This function is used to calculate the probability of a relative being a carrier.

**Usage**

```
p0G_Func (p, status, relative, model)
```

**Arguments**

p	population frequency of mutation.
status	proband's carrier status (status = 0, non-carrier; = 1, homozygous; = 2, heterozygous).
relative	relative's relationship to the proband (relative = 1, parents; = 2, sibling; = 3, offspring).
model	assumed genetic model ("dominant" or "recessive").

**Details**

Technical details can be found in Wang et al. (2008).

**Value**

The function p0G\_Func returns the probability of a relative being a carrier under the given genetic model.

**References**

Wang, Y., Clark, L. N., Louis, E. D., Mejia-Santana, H., Harris, J., Cote, L. J., ... & Marder, K. (2008). Risk of Parkinson disease in carriers of parkin mutations: estimation using the kin-cohort method. *Archives of neurology*, **65**(4), 467-474.

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**See Also**

[p0G\\_data](#), [Sieve\\_NPMLE\\_Switch\(\)](#), [Sieve\\_NPMLE\\_Bootstrap\(\)](#), [EM\\_PAVA\\_Func\(\)](#) and [Permutation\\_Test\(\)](#).

**Examples**

```
# Example 1 #

data("p0G_data");
attach(p0G_data);

n = dim(p0G_data)[1];
Status = as.numeric( proband_pd == "Yes" );
Relative = rep(1, n) + 1*(relative == "Sibling") + 2*(relative == "Child");

detach(p0G_data);

p0G = rep(0, n);

for(i in 1:n)
{
```

```

p0G[i] = p0G_Func(p = 0.02, status = Status[i], relative = Relative[i], model="dominant");
}

data.frame(pd_status = Status, relatives = Relative, prob = p0G);

# Example 2 #

n = 50;
status = sample(x=c(0,1), size = n, replace = TRUE, prob = c(0.6, 0.4) );
relative = sample(x=1:3, size = n, replace = TRUE, prob = c(1/3, 1/3, 1/3) );

p0G = rep(0, n);

for(i in 1:n)
{
  p0G[i] = p0G_Func(p = 0.2, status = status[i], relative = relative[i], model="dominant");
}

data.frame(status = status, relative = relative, p0G = p0G);

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Permutation\_Test

*Permutation Test*


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## Description

Permutation test for the Sieve-NPMLE switch method with null hypothesis  $H_0: F_{\text{carr}} = F_{\text{non}}$  and alternative hypothesis  $H_1: F_{\text{carr}}$  is not equal to  $F_{\text{non}}$ .

## Usage

```
Permutation_Test (Grid, F_carr, F_non, OY, ODelta, Op0G, nperm)
```

## Arguments

Grid	time points at which the distribution function values are estimated.
F_carr	a vector of distribution function values at given grid points of the carrier group.
F_non	a vector of distribution function values at given grid points of the non-carrier group.
OY	observed event times.
ODelta	observed indicators of right censoring.
Op0G	observed probability values of carrier and non-carrier groups.
nperm	replication number used in permutation.

## Details

Technical details can be found in Wang et al. (2015).

**Value**

This function returns a list of prediction values for classes,

Test\_Stat        value of the Kolmogorov-Smirnov statistic with observed data.  
 Pvalues         p-value of the permutation test.  
 Permutation.value  
                  values of Kolmogorov-Smirnov statistics under all permutations.

**References**

Wang, Y., Liang, B., Tong, X., Marder, K., Bressman, S., Orr-Urtreger, A., Giladi, N. & Zeng, D. (2015). Efficient estimation of nonparametric genetic risk function with censored data. *Biometrika*, **102**(3), 515-532.

**See Also**

[test\\_stat\(\)](#) and [Sieve\\_NPMLE\\_Switch\(\)](#).

**Examples**

```
data("Simulated_data");

OY = Simulated_data[,2];
ind = order(OY);
ODelta = Simulated_data[,3];
Op0G = Simulated_data[,4];

Y = OY[ind];
Delta = ODelta[ind];
p0G = Op0G[ind];

Grid = seq(0.2, 3.65, 0.05);
fix_t1 = c(0.288, 0.693, 1.390);
fix_t2 = c(0.779, 1.860, 3.650);
px = seq(0.1, 3, 0.1);

SieveNPMLE_result = Sieve_NPMLE_Switch( Y=Y, Delta=Delta, p0G=p0G,
                                         px=px, Grid=Grid, Knot=7,
                                         degree=3 );

Lambda_1.hat = cumsum( SieveNPMLE_result$lamb1.hat );
Lambda_2.hat = cumsum( SieveNPMLE_result$lamb2.hat );

F_carr_func = function(x){ 1 - exp( max( Lambda_1.hat[Y <= x] ) ) }
F_non_func = function(x){ 1 - exp( max( Lambda_2.hat[Y <= x] ) ) }

F_carr = apply( matrix(px, ncol=1), 1, F_carr_func );
F_non = apply( matrix(px, ncol=1), 1, F_non_func );

# Permutation test #
```

```
Permutation_Test( Grid=Grid, F_carr=F_carr, F_non=F_non,
                 OY=OY, ODelta=ODelta, Op0G=Op0G,
                 nperm=10 );
```

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Sieve\_NPMLE\_Bootstrap *Sieve\_NPMLE\_Bootstrap function*

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### Description

This function is used for calculating standard error estimates and 95% confidence bands in quantile using the bootstrap method.

### Usage

```
Sieve_NPMLE_Bootstrap ( fam_ID, Y0, Delta0, p0G0, fix_t1, fix_t2,
                       Grid, Knot, degree=3, Bn, maxiter=400, ep=1e-05)
```

### Arguments

fam_ID	family ID numbers.
Y0	observed event times or censoring times.
Delta0	indicators of event.
p0G0	probabilities of being a carrier.
fix_t1	a vector of fixed points at which the carrier's cumulative distribution function values are estimated.
fix_t2	a vector of fixed points at which the non-carrier's cumulative distribution function values are estimated.
Grid	a vector of grid points used for plotting the estimated distribution functions of carrier and non-carrier groups.
Knot	number of knots of the B-spline base functions.
degree	degree of the B-spline base functions.
Bn	number of bootstrap samples.
maxiter	maximum number of iterations.
ep	convergence criterion, default is $ep=1e-05$ .

### Details

Using bootstrap for standard error estimation and 95% confidence bands calculation. We do the Bootstrap resample according to fam\_ID.

**Value**

This function returns a list

Boot.L1	estimated cumulative hazard function for the carrier group.
Boot.L2	estimated cumulative hazard function for the non-carrier group.
SE_F1_fix_t	estimated standard errors for the carrier group at given points fix_t1.
SE_F2_fix_t	estimated standard errors for the non-carrier group at given points fix_t2.

**References**

Wang, Y., Liang, B., Tong, X., Marder, K., Bressman, S., Orr-Urtreger, A., Giladi, N. & Zeng, D. (2015). Efficient estimation of nonparametric genetic risk function with censored data. *Biometrika*, **102**(3), 515-532.

**See Also**

[p0G\\_Func\(\)](#), [Sieve\\_NPMLE\\_Switch\(\)](#).

**Examples**

```
data("Simulated_data");

OID = Simulated_data[,1];
OY = Simulated_data[,2];
ind = order(OY);
ODelta = Simulated_data[,3];
Op0G = Simulated_data[,4];

Y = OY[ind];
Delta = ODelta[ind];
p0G = Op0G[ind];

Grid = seq(0.2, 3.65, 0.05);
fix_t1 = c(0.288, 0.693, 1.390);
fix_t2 = c(0.779, 1.860, 3.650);
px = seq(0.1, 3, 0.1);

SieveNPMLE_result = Sieve_NPMLE_Switch( Y=Y, Delta=Delta, p0G=p0G, px=px,
                                         Grid=Grid, Knot=7, degree=3 );

Lambda_1.hat = cumsum( SieveNPMLE_result$lamb1.hat );
Lambda_2.hat = cumsum( SieveNPMLE_result$lamb2.hat );

F_carr_func = function(x){ 1 - exp( - max( Lambda_1.hat[Y <= x] ) ) }
F_non_func  = function(x){ 1 - exp( - max( Lambda_2.hat[Y <= x] ) ) }

est.f1 = apply(matrix(fix_t1, ncol=1), 1, F_carr_func );
est.f2 = apply(matrix(fix_t2, ncol=1), 1, F_non_func );

# ----- #
```

```

#   Bootstrap   #
# ----- #

Boot = Sieve_NPMLE_Bootstrap( fam_ID=OID, Y0=OY, Delta0=ODelta, p0G0=Op0G,
                             fix_t1=fix_t1, fix_t2=fix_t2, Grid = Grid,
                             Knot=6, degree =3, Bn=10 );

SE1 = Boot$SE_F1_fix_t;
SE2 = Boot$SE_F2_fix_t;

estp = data.frame( fix_t1 = fix_t1, F1.hat = est.f1, SE_F1 = SE1,
                  fix_t2 = fix_t2, F2.hat = est.f2, SE_F2 = SE2 );

print(estp)

```

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Sieve\_NPMLE\_Switch      *Sieve\_NPMLE\_Switch function*

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### Description

This function is used to estimate the genotype-specific distribution of time-to-event outcomes with the Sieve-NPMLE switch algorithm.

### Usage

```
Sieve_NPMLE_Switch (Y, p0G, Delta, px, Grid, Knot, degree, maxiter=400, ep=1e-05)
```

### Arguments

Y	observed event times or censoring times.
p0G	probabilities of being a carrier.
Delta	indicators of event.
px	grid points at which the distribution function values are estimated.
Grid	grid points used for plots. Grid could be either exactly the same as px or different from px.
Knot	number of knots.
degree	degree of the B-spline base functions.
maxiter	maximum number of iterations.
ep	convergence criterion, default is ep= 1e-05.

### Details

This function is used to estimate the distribution of the age-at-onset of Parkinsons disease for carriers' and non-carriers' mutations in the leucine-rich repeat kinase 2, LRRK2, gene. Please refer to Wang et al. (2015) for more details.

**Value**

This function returns a list of prediction values for classes

<code>lamb1.hat</code>	estimated values of hazard function for the carrier group.
<code>lamb2.hat</code>	estimated values of hazard function for the non-carrier group.
<code>Lamb1</code>	estimated values of cumulative hazard function for the carrier group.
<code>Lamb2</code>	estimated values of cumulative hazard function for the non-carrier group.
<code>Converge</code>	convergence status.

**References**

Wang, Y., Liang, B., Tong, X., Marder, K., Bressman, S., Orr-Urtreger, A., Giladi, N. & Zeng, D. (2015). Efficient estimation of nonparametric genetic risk function with censored data. *Biometrika*, **102**(3), 515-532.

**See Also**

[p0G\\_Func\(\)](#), [Sieve\\_NPMLE\\_Bootstrap\(\)](#) and [Permutation\\_Test\(\)](#).

**Examples**

```
data("Simulated_data");

OY = Simulated_data[,2];
ind = order(OY);
ODelta = Simulated_data[,3];
Op0G = Simulated_data[,4];

Y = OY[ind];
Delta = ODelta[ind];
p0G = Op0G[ind];

Grid = seq(0.2, 3.65, 0.05);
fix_t1 = c(0.288, 0.693, 1.390);
fix_t2 = c(0.779, 1.860, 3.650);
px = seq(0.01, 3.65, 0.01);

SieveNPMLE_result = Sieve_NPMLE_Switch( Y=Y, Delta=Delta, p0G=p0G,
                                         px=px, Grid=Grid,
                                         Knot=6, degree=3 );

# 'Sieve_NPMLE_Switch' only returns values of hazard function
# or cumulative hazard function of mutation groups, in practice, we only
# need to do a little bit more as follows for calculating the
# cumulative distribution values of mutation groups.

Lambda_1.hat = cumsum( SieveNPMLE_result$lamb1.hat );
Lambda_2.hat = cumsum( SieveNPMLE_result$lamb2.hat );
```

```

F_carr_func = function(x){ 1 - exp(- max( Lambda_1.hat[Y <= x] ) ) }
F_non_func  = function(x){ 1 - exp(- max( Lambda_2.hat[Y <= x] ) ) }

est.f1 = apply(matrix(fix_t1, ncol=1), 1, F_carr_func );
est.f2 = apply(matrix(fix_t2, ncol=1), 1, F_non_func );

estp = data.frame( fix_t1 = fix_t1, F_carr_t1 = est.f1,
                  fix_t2 = fix_t2, F_non_t2 = est.f2 );

print(estp);

# plot estimated curves

F_carr = apply( matrix(px, ncol=1), 1, F_carr_func );
F_non  = apply( matrix(px, ncol=1), 1, F_non_func );

plot( px, F_carr, type='s', lty=1, ylim=c(0, 1), xlab="Y",
      ylab="Estimated Cumulative Distribution Function", col='blue' );
lines(px, F_non, type='s', lty=2, col='red');
legend("topleft", legend=c("Carrier group", "Non-Carrier group"),
      lty=c(1,2), col=c("blue","red") );

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 Simulated\_data

*Simulated Parkinson's disease data*


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### Description

This is an artificial data set used for the illustration of the current R-package. There are 4 columns, 268 rows in this data set.

### Usage

```
data("Simulated_data")
```

### Format

A data frame with 268 observations on the following 4 columns with.

FamID a factor with levels Child, Parent and Sibling

Y a factor with levels No and Yes

delta a numeric vector

p0G a numeric vector, probability distribution value.

### Source

This is a simulated data set based on the real data analysis results in Wang et al. (2015).

## References

Wang, Y., Liang, B., Tong, X., Marder, K., Bressman, S., Orr-Urtreger, A., Giladi, N. & Zeng, D. (2015). Efficient estimation of nonparametric genetic risk function with censored data. *Biometrika*, **102**(3), 515-532.

Marder, K., Wang, Y., Alcalay, R. N., Mejia-Santana, H., Tang, M. X., Lee, A., ... & Miravite, J. (2015). Age-specific penetrance of LRRK2 G2019S in the Michael J. Fox Ashkenazi Jewish LRRK2 Consortium. *Neurology*, **85**(1), 89-95.

Qin, J., Garcia, T., Ma, Y., Tang, M., Marder, K. & Wang, Y. (2014). Combining isotonic regression and EM algorithm to predict genetic risk under monotonicity constraint. *The Annals of Applied Statistics* **8**(2), 1182-1208.

## See Also

[Sieve\\_NPMLE\\_Switch\(\)](#), [Sieve\\_NPMLE\\_Bootstrap\(\)](#), [EM\\_PAVA\\_Func\(\)](#).

## Examples

```
data("Simulated_data")
```

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test_stat	<i>Kolmogorov-Smirnov Test Statistic</i>
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## Description

This function is used to calculate the Kolmogorov-Smirnov statistic:  $D(F_1, F_2) = \sup_x |F_1(x) - F_2(x)|$ .

## Usage

```
test_stat (F1, F2)
```

## Arguments

F1	vector of one distribution function value.
F2	vector of the other distribution function value.

## Details

It is necessary to point out that F1 and F2 are based on common grids. Other technical details can be found in Wang et al. (2015).

## Value

This function returns a list of prediction values for classes,

out	value of Kolmogorov-Smirnov statistics.
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**References**

Wang, Y., Liang, B., Tong, X., Marder, K., Bressman, S., Orr-Urtreger, A., Giladi, N. & Zeng, D. (2015). Efficient estimation of nonparametric genetic risk function with censored data. *Biometrika*, **102**(3), 515-532.

**See Also**

[Permutation\\_Test\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
X = seq(0.01, 1, 0.05);
Func_1 = function(x){ x + runif(length(x), min=0, max=1) };
Func_2 = function(x){ x + 2*runif(length(x), min=0, max=1) };

U1 = Func_1(X);
U2 = Func_2(X);

test_stat (F1 = U1, F2 = U2);
```

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