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gendata-package	<i>Generate Synthetic Datasets</i>
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Description

Create synthetic datasets based on a correlation table. Additional functions can be used to rescale, transform, and reverse code variables.

Details

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Additional functions are for modifying the dataset.

genmvnorm: creates the dataset (generates a multivariate normal dataset).
 recalib : for rescaling the dataset
 dtrans : for giving a variable a new mean and standard deviation
 revcode : for reverse coding a variable

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References

Fan, X., Felsovalyi, A., Sivo, S., & Keenan, S. (2002). SAS for Monte Carlo studies: A guide for quantitative researchers. SAS Institute.

See Also

[genmvnorm](#) [revcode](#) [dtrans](#) [recalib](#)

dtrans	<i>Data Transform</i>
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Description

Transforms variables in a dataset with a specified mean and standard deviation.

Usage

```
dtrans(data, m, sd, rnd = FALSE)
```

Arguments

data	name of your dataset.
m	indicate a vector of desired means.
sd	indicate a vector of desired standard deviations.
rnd	indicates if you want to round the numbers (no decimals). TRUE or FALSE.

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Examples

```
sdata <- genmvnorm(cor = c(.7, .2, .3), k = 3, n = 500, seed = 12345)
cor(sdata)
summary(sdata)
#note: data are in z scores

s2 <- dtrans(sdata, c(0, 100, 50), c(1, 15, 10), rnd = FALSE)
summary(s2)
sd(s2[,2])
sd(s2[,3])
#note: variables X2 and X3 are now rescaled with the appropriate means and standard deviations.
head(s2)

s2 <- dtrans(sdata, c(0, 100, 50), c(1, 15, 10), rnd = TRUE)
#at times, you may want a dataset to not have decimals. use \code{rnd= TRUE}.
head(s2)
```

genmvnorm

*Genmvnorm***Description**

Generates a multivariate normal dataset based on a specified correlation matrix.

Usage

```
genmvnorm(cor, k, n, seed = FALSE)
```

Arguments

cor	Can be a correlation matrix– e.g., <code>data<-cor(xyz)</code> – or the lower half of a correlation matrix, e.g., for a 3 variable dataset, <code>data<-c(.7,.3,.2)</code> – useful for creating datasets without having to specify both halves of the correlation matrix.
k	Indicate the number of variables in your dataset.
n	Indicate the number of observations in your new synthetic dataset.
seed	For reproducibility of results, set a specific seed number.

Details

For creating synthetic datasets. Based on the SAS chapter by Fan et al. (2002).

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References

Based on:

Fan, X., Felsovalyi, A., Sivo, S., & Keenan, S. (2002). SAS for Monte Carlo studies: A guide for quantitative researchers. SAS Institute.

See Also

[revcode](#) [dtrans](#) [recalib](#)

Examples

```
sdata<-genmvnorm(cor=c(.7,.2,.3),k=3,n=500,seed=12345)
cor(sdata)
#dataset above uses the lower half of a correlation table
#    1 .7 .2
#   .7 1 .3
#   .2 .3 1
# Can also use a correlation table

data(iris)
dat<-cor(iris[,1:3])
dat
sdata<-genmvnorm(cor=dat,k=3,n=100,seed=123)
cor(sdata)

#example above uses the IRIS dataset.
```

recalib

Recalibrate (rescale) Variables

Description

Rescale variables (one at a time) to have a new minimum and maximum value.

Usage

```
recalib(data, var, low, high)
```

Arguments

data	the dataset to use.
var	indicate the variable number (or variable name).
low	Indicate the new minimum value.
high	Indicate the new maximum value.

Details

Specify the rescaling of variables one at a time.

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See Also

[genmvnorm revcode dtrans](#)

Examples

```
sdata <- genmvnorm(cor = c(.7, .2, .3), k = 3, n = 500, seed = 12345)
cor(sdata)
summary(sdata[,1])
#note the min and max of variable X1
#changes variable one to have a minimum of 10 and a maximum of 50
#correlations remain the same

s2 <- recalib(sdata, 1, 10, 50)
cor(s2)
summary(s2[,1])
#note revised values of variable X1
```

revcode

Reverse Coding Variables

Description

Reverse codes variables

Usage

```
revcode(data, vars)
```

Arguments

data	indicates your dataset.
vars	indicates the variable number or name to reverse code.

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See Also

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