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| addTrans | <i>Add transparency to color</i> |
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Description

Add transparency to color.

Usage

`addTrans(color, alpha)`

Arguments

- | | |
|-------|--|
| color | A vector of color names or RGB color codes. |
| alpha | A vector of integers between 0 and 255 (0 = fully transparent, 255 = fully visible). |

array_info_1pl*Calculate Fisher information at multiple thetas (1PL)*

Description

Calculate the Fisher information at theta values according to the 1PL model.

Usage

```
array_info_1pl(x, b)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|---|--|
| x | Numeric. A vector of theta values. |
| b | Numeric. A difficulty parameter value. |

References

Rasch G (1960). *Probabilistic models for some intelligence and attainment tests*. Copenhagen: Danish Institute for Educational Research.

array_info_2pl*Calculate Fisher information at multiple thetas (2PL)*

Description

Calculate the Fisher information at theta values according to the 2PL model.

Usage

```
array_info_2pl(x, a, b)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|---|--|
| x | Numeric. A vector of theta values. |
| a | Numeric. A slope parameter value. |
| b | Numeric. A difficulty parameter value. |

References

- Lord FM (1952). “A theory of test scores.” *Psychometric Monograph*, 7.
- Birnbaum A (1957). “Efficient design and use of tests of mental ability for various decision-making problems (Series Report No. 58-16. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.
- Birnbaum A (1958). “On the estimation of mental ability (Series Report No. 15. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.
- Birnbaum A (1958). “Further considerations of efficiency in tests of a mental ability (Series Report No. 17. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.

array_info_3pl

Calculate Fisher information at multiple thetas (3PL)

Description

Calculate the Fisher information at theta values according to the 3PL model.

Usage

```
array_info_3pl(x, a, b, c)
```

Arguments

- x Numeric. A vector of theta values.
- a Numeric. A slope parameter value.
- b Numeric. A difficulty parameter value.
- c Numeric. A guessing parameter value.

References

- Birnbaum A (1968). “Some latent trait models and their use in inferring an examinee’s ability.” In Lord FM, Novick MR (eds.), *Statistical Theories of Mental Test Scores*, 397–479. Addison-Wesley, Reading, MA.

array_info_gpc*Calculate Fisher information at multiple thetas (GPC)*

Description

Calculate the Fisher information at theta values according to the generalized partial credit model.

Usage

```
array_info_gpc(x, a, b)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|---|--|
| x | Numeric. A vector of theta values. |
| a | Numeric. A slope parameter value. |
| b | Numeric. A vector of threshold parameter values. |

References

Muraki E (1992). “A generalized partial credit model: Application of an EM algorithm.” *Applied Psychological Measurement*, **16**(2), 159–176.

array_info_gr*Calculate Fisher information at multiple thetas (GR)*

Description

Calculate the Fisher information at theta values according to the graded response model.

Usage

```
array_info_gr(x, a, b)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|---|--|
| x | Numeric. A vector of theta values. |
| a | Numeric. A slope parameter value. |
| b | Numeric. A vector of category boundary parameter values. |

References

Samejima F (1969). “Estimation of latent ability using a response pattern of graded scores.” *Psychometrika Monograph*, **17**.

array_info_pc*Calculate Fisher information at multiple thetas (PC)***Description**

Calculate the Fisher information at theta values according to the partial credit model.

Usage

```
array_info_pc(x, b)
```

Arguments

- x Numeric. A vector of theta values.
- b Numeric. A vector of threshold parameter values.

References

- Masters GN (1982). “A Rasch model for partial credit scoring.” *Psychometrika*, **47**(2), 149–174.
- Andrich D (1978). “A rating formulation for ordered response categories.” *Psychometrika*, **43**(4), 561–573.

array_p_1pl*Calculate probability at multiple thetas (1PL)***Description**

Calculate the probability of correct response at theta values, under the 1PL model.

Usage

```
array_p_1pl(x, b)
```

Arguments

- x Numeric. A vector of theta values.
- b Numeric. A difficulty parameter value.

References

- Rasch G (1960). *Probabilistic models for some intelligence and attainment tests*. Copenhagen: Danish Institute for Educational Research.

array_p_2pl *Calculate probability at multiple thetas (2PL)*

Description

Calculate the probability of correct response at theta values, under the 2PL model.

Usage

```
array_p_2pl(x, a, b)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|---|--|
| x | Numeric. A vector of theta values. |
| a | Numeric. A slope parameter value. |
| b | Numeric. A difficulty parameter value. |

References

Lord FM (1952). “A theory of test scores.” *Psychometric Monograph*, 7.

Birnbaum A (1957). “Efficient design and use of tests of mental ability for various decision-making problems (Series Report No. 58-16. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.

Birnbaum A (1958). “On the estimation of mental ability (Series Report No. 15. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.

Birnbaum A (1958). “Further considerations of efficiency in tests of a mental ability (Series Report No. 17. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.

array_p_3pl *Calculate probability at multiple thetas (3PL)*

Description

Calculate the probability of correct response at theta values, under the 3PL model.

Usage

```
array_p_3pl(x, a, b, c)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|---|--|
| x | Numeric. A vector of theta values. |
| a | Numeric. A slope parameter value. |
| b | Numeric. A difficulty parameter value. |
| c | Numeric. A guessing parameter value. |

References

Birnbaum A (1968). “Some latent trait models and their use in inferring an examinee’s ability.” In Lord FM, Novick MR (eds.), *Statistical Theories of Mental Test Scores*, 397–479. Addison-Wesley, Reading, MA.

array_p_gpc

Calculate probability at multiple thetas (GPC)

Description

Calculate the probability of correct response at theta values, under the generalized partial credit model.

Usage

```
array_p_gpc(x, a, b)
```

Arguments

- x Numeric. A vector of theta values.
- a Numeric. A slope parameter value.
- b Numeric. A vector of threshold parameter values.

References

Muraki E (1992). “A generalized partial credit model: Application of an EM algorithm.” *Applied Psychological Measurement*, **16**(2), 159–176.

array_p_gr

Calculate probability at multiple thetas (GR)

Description

Calculate the probability of correct response at theta values, under the graded response model.

Usage

```
array_p_gr(x, a, b)
```

Arguments

- x Numeric. A vector of theta values.
- a Numeric. A slope parameter value.
- b Numeric. A vector of category boundary parameter values.

References

Samejima F (1969). “Estimation of latent ability using a response pattern of graded scores.” *Psychometrika Monograph*, **17**.

array_p_pc

Calculate probability at multiple thetas (PC)

Description

Calculate the probability of correct response at theta values, under the partial credit model.

Usage

```
array_p_pc(x, b)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|---|--|
| x | Numeric. A vector of theta values. |
| b | Numeric. A vector of threshold parameter values. |

References

- Masters GN (1982). “A Rasch model for partial credit scoring.” *Psychometrika*, **47**(2), 149–174.
 Andrich D (1978). “A rating formulation for ordered response categories.” *Psychometrika*, **43**(4), 561–573.

buildConstraints

Build constraints

Description

Read constraints from specified files.

Usage

```
buildConstraints(
  pool,
  file_constraints,
  file_item_attrib,
  file_st_attrib = NULL
)
```

Arguments

pool An item_pool object. Use [loadItemPool](#) for this.
file_constraints Character. The name of the file containing constraint specifications.
file_item_attrib Character. The name of the file containing item attributes.
file_st_attrib (Optional) Character. The name of the file containing set attributes.

Value

A list containing the parsed constraints, to be used in [Static](#) and [Shadow](#).

Examples

```

## Write to tempdir() and clean afterwards
f1 <- file.path(tempdir(), "constraints_science.csv")
write.csv(constraints_science_raw, f1, row.names = FALSE)
f2 <- file.path(tempdir(), "itemattrib_science.csv")
write.csv(itemattrib_science_raw, f2, row.names = FALSE)

constraints <- buildConstraints(itempool_science, f1, f2)

file.remove(f1)
file.remove(f2)

```

calcDerivative *Calculate first derivative*

Description

An S4 generic and its methods to calculate the first derivative of the probability function.

Usage

```

calcDerivative(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_1PL,numeric'
calcDerivative(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_2PL,numeric'
calcDerivative(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_3PL,numeric'
calcDerivative(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_PC,numeric'

```

```

calcDerivative(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_GPC,numeric'
calcDerivative(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_GR,numeric'
calcDerivative(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_pool,numeric'
calcDerivative(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'pool_cluster,numeric'
calcDerivative(object, theta)

```

Arguments

- object** An instance of an item class.
theta A vector of theta values.

Value

First derivative values.

References

- Rasch G (1960). *Probabilistic models for some intelligence and attainment tests*. Copenhagen: Danish Institute for Educational Research.
- Lord FM (1952). “A theory of test scores.” *Psychometric Monograph*, 7.
- Birnbaum A (1957). “Efficient design and use of tests of mental ability for various decision-making problems (Series Report No. 58-16. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.
- Birnbaum A (1958). “On the estimation of mental ability (Series Report No. 15. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.
- Birnbaum A (1958). “Further considerations of efficiency in tests of a mental ability (Series Report No. 17. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.
- Birnbaum A (1968). “Some latent trait models and their use in inferring an examinee’s ability.” In Lord FM, Novick MR (eds.), *Statistical Theories of Mental Test Scores*, 397–479. Addison-Wesley, Reading, MA.
- Masters GN (1982). “A Rasch model for partial credit scoring.” *Psychometrika*, 47(2), 149–174.
- Andrich D (1978). “A rating formulation for ordered response categories.” *Psychometrika*, 43(4), 561–573.
- Muraki E (1992). “A generalized partial credit model: Application of an EM algorithm.” *Applied Psychological Measurement*, 16(2), 159–176.
- Samejima F (1969). “Estimation of latent ability using a response pattern of graded scores.” *Psychometrika Monograph*, 17.

Examples

```
item_1   <- new("item_1PL", difficulty = 0.5)
d.item_1 <- calcDerivative(item_1, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_2   <- new("item_2PL", slope = 1.0, difficulty = 0.5)
d.item_2 <- calcDerivative(item_2, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_3   <- new("item_3PL", slope = 1.0, difficulty = 0.5, guessing = 0.2)
d.item_3 <- calcDerivative(item_3, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_4   <- new("item_PC", threshold = c(-1, 0, 1), ncat = 4)
d.item_4 <- calcDerivative(item_4, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_5   <- new("item_GPC", slope = 1.2, threshold = c(-0.8, -1.0, 0.5), ncat = 4)
d.item_5 <- calcDerivative(item_5, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_6   <- new("item_GR", slope = 0.9, category = c(-1, 0, 1), ncat = 4)
d.item_6 <- calcDerivative(item_6, seq(-3, 3, 1))
d.itempool <- calcDerivative(itempool_science, seq(-3, 3, 1))
```

calcDerivative2 *Calculate second derivative*

Description

An S4 generic and its methods to calculate the second derivative of the probability function.

Usage

```
calcDerivative2(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_1PL,numeric'
calcDerivative2(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_2PL,numeric'
calcDerivative2(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_3PL,numeric'
calcDerivative2(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_PC,numeric'
calcDerivative2(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_GPC,numeric'
calcDerivative2(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_GR,numeric'
calcDerivative2(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_pool,numeric'
calcDerivative2(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'pool_cluster,numeric'
calcDerivative2(object, theta)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------|-------------------------------|
| object | An instance of an item class. |
| theta | A vector of theta values. |

Value

Second derivative values.

References

- Rasch G (1960). *Probabilistic models for some intelligence and attainment tests*. Copenhagen: Danish Institute for Educational Research.
- Lord FM (1952). “A theory of test scores.” *Psychometric Monograph*, **7**.
- Birnbaum A (1957). “Efficient design and use of tests of mental ability for various decision-making problems (Series Report No. 58-16. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.
- Birnbaum A (1958). “On the estimation of mental ability (Series Report No. 15. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.
- Birnbaum A (1958). “Further considerations of efficiency in tests of a mental ability (Series Report No. 17. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.
- Birnbaum A (1968). “Some latent trait models and their use in inferring an examinee’s ability.” In Lord FM, Novick MR (eds.), *Statistical Theories of Mental Test Scores*, 397–479. Addison-Wesley, Reading, MA.
- Masters GN (1982). “A Rasch model for partial credit scoring.” *Psychometrika*, **47**(2), 149–174.
- Andrich D (1978). “A rating formulation for ordered response categories.” *Psychometrika*, **43**(4), 561–573.
- Muraki E (1992). “A generalized partial credit model: Application of an EM algorithm.” *Applied Psychological Measurement*, **16**(2), 159–176.
- Samejima F (1969). “Estimation of latent ability using a response pattern of graded scores.” *Psychometrika Monograph*, **17**.

Examples

```
item_1    <- new("item_1PL", difficulty = 0.5)
dd_item_1 <- calcDerivative2(item_1, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_2    <- new("item_2PL", slope = 1.0, difficulty = 0.5)
dd_item_2 <- calcDerivative2(item_2, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_3    <- new("item_3PL", slope = 1.0, difficulty = 0.5, guessing = 0.2)
dd_item_3 <- calcDerivative2(item_3, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_4    <- new("item_PC", threshold = c(-1, 0, 1), ncat = 4)
dd_item_4 <- calcDerivative2(item_4, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_5    <- new("item_GPC", slope = 1.2, threshold = c(-0.8, -1.0, 0.5), ncat = 4)
dd_item_5 <- calcDerivative2(item_5, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_6    <- new("item_GR", slope = 0.9, category = c(-1, 0, 1), ncat = 4)
dd_item_6 <- calcDerivative2(item_6, seq(-3, 3, 1))
dd_itempool <- calcDerivative2(itempool_science, seq(-3, 3, 1))
```

`calcEscore`*Calculate expected scores*

Description

An S4 generic and its methods to calculate expected scores given a vector of thetas for different item classes.

Usage

```
calcEscore(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_1PL,numeric'
calcEscore(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_2PL,numeric'
calcEscore(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_3PL,numeric'
calcEscore(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_PC,numeric'
calcEscore(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_GPC,numeric'
calcEscore(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_GR,numeric'
calcEscore(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_pool,numeric'
calcEscore(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'pool_cluster,numeric'
calcEscore(object, theta)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| <code>object</code> | An instance of an item class. |
| <code>theta</code> | A vector of theta values. |

Value

A vector of expected scores of length nq (the number of values on theta grid).

References

- Rasch G (1960). *Probabilistic models for some intelligence and attainment tests*. Copenhagen: Danish Institute for Educational Research.
- Lord FM (1952). "A theory of test scores." *Psychometric Monograph*, 7.
- Birnbaum A (1957). "Efficient design and use of tests of mental ability for various decision-making problems (Series Report No. 58-16. Project No. 7755-23)." Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.
- Birnbaum A (1958). "On the estimation of mental ability (Series Report No. 15. Project No. 7755-23)." Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.
- Birnbaum A (1958). "Further considerations of efficiency in tests of a mental ability (Series Report No. 17. Project No. 7755-23)." Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.
- Birnbaum A (1968). "Some latent trait models and their use in inferring an examinee's ability." In Lord FM, Novick MR (eds.), *Statistical Theories of Mental Test Scores*, 397–479. Addison-Wesley, Reading, MA.
- Masters GN (1982). "A Rasch model for partial credit scoring." *Psychometrika*, 47(2), 149–174.
- Andrich D (1978). "A rating formulation for ordered response categories." *Psychometrika*, 43(4), 561–573.
- Muraki E (1992). "A generalized partial credit model: Application of an EM algorithm." *Applied Psychological Measurement*, 16(2), 159–176.
- Samejima F (1969). "Estimation of latent ability using a response pattern of graded scores." *Psychometrika Monograph*, 17.

Examples

```
item_1      <- new("item_1PL", difficulty = 0.5)
ICC_item_1 <- calcEscore(item_1, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_2      <- new("item_2PL", slope = 1.0, difficulty = 0.5)
ICC_item_2 <- calcEscore(item_2, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_3      <- new("item_3PL", slope = 1.0, difficulty = 0.5, guessing = 0.2)
ICC_item_3 <- calcEscore(item_3, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_4      <- new("item_PC", threshold = c(-1, 0, 1), ncat = 4)
ICC_item_4 <- calcEscore(item_4, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_5      <- new("item_GPC", slope = 1.2, threshold = c(-0.8, -1.0, 0.5), ncat = 4)
ICC_item_5 <- calcEscore(item_5, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_6      <- new("item_GR", slope = 0.9, category = c(-1, 0, 1), ncat = 4)
ICC_item_6 <- calcEscore(item_6, seq(-3, 3, 1))
TCC_itempool <- calcEscore(itempool_science, seq(-3, 3, 1))
```

Description

An S4 generic and its methods to calculate Fisher information given a vector of thetas for different item classes.

Usage

```
calcFisher(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_1PL,numeric'
calcFisher(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_2PL,numeric'
calcFisher(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_3PL,numeric'
calcFisher(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_PC,numeric'
calcFisher(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_GPC,numeric'
calcFisher(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_GR,numeric'
calcFisher(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_pool,numeric'
calcFisher(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'pool_cluster,numeric'
calcFisher(object, theta)
```

Arguments

- object** An instance of an item class.
theta A vector of theta values.

Value

A vector of Fisher information values over theta (nq values) for a single item or a matrix of dimension (nq, ni) for an "item_pool".

References

- Rasch G (1960). *Probabilistic models for some intelligence and attainment tests*. Copenhagen: Danish Institute for Educational Research.
- Lord FM (1952). "A theory of test scores." *Psychometric Monograph*, 7.
- Birnbaum A (1957). "Efficient design and use of tests of mental ability for various decision-making problems (Series Report No. 58-16. Project No. 7755-23)." Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.
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- Samejima F (1969). “Estimation of latent ability using a response pattern of graded scores.” *Psychometrika Monograph*, **17**.

Examples

```
item_1      <- new("item_1PL", difficulty = 0.5)
info_item_1 <- calcFisher(item_1, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_2      <- new("item_2PL", slope = 1.0, difficulty = 0.5)
info_item_2 <- calcFisher(item_2, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_3      <- new("item_3PL", slope = 1.0, difficulty = 0.5, guessing = 0.2)
info_item_3 <- calcFisher(item_3, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_4      <- new("item_PC", threshold = c(-1, 0, 1), ncat = 4)
info_item_4 <- calcFisher(item_4, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_5      <- new("item_GPC", slope = 1.2, threshold = c(-0.8, -1.0, 0.5), ncat = 4)
info_item_5 <- calcFisher(item_5, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_6      <- new("item_GR", slope = 0.9, category = c(-1, 0, 1), ncat = 4)
info_item_6 <- calcFisher(item_6, seq(-3, 3, 1))
info_itempool <- calcFisher(itempool_science, seq(-3, 3, 1))
```

calcHessian

Calculate second derivative of log-likelihood

Description

An S4 generic and its methods to calculate the second derivative of the log-likelihood function.

Usage

```
calcHessian(object, theta, resp)

## S4 method for signature 'item_1PL,numeric,numeric'
calcHessian(object, theta, resp)

## S4 method for signature 'item_2PL,numeric,numeric'
calcHessian(object, theta, resp)

## S4 method for signature 'item_3PL,numeric,numeric'
```

```

calcHessian(object, theta, resp)

## S4 method for signature 'item_PC,numeric,numeric'
calcHessian(object, theta, resp)

## S4 method for signature 'item_GPC,numeric,numeric'
calcHessian(object, theta, resp)

## S4 method for signature 'item_GR,numeric,numeric'
calcHessian(object, theta, resp)

## S4 method for signature 'item_pool,numeric,numeric'
calcHessian(object, theta, resp)

## S4 method for signature 'pool_cluster,numeric,list'
calcHessian(object, theta, resp)

```

Arguments

| | |
|--------|-------------------------------|
| object | An instance of an item class. |
| theta | A vector of theta values. |
| resp | Response data. |

Value

Second derivative values of log-likelihoods.

References

- Rasch G (1960). *Probabilistic models for some intelligence and attainment tests*. Copenhagen: Danish Institute for Educational Research.
- Lord FM (1952). “A theory of test scores.” *Psychometric Monograph*, 7.
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Examples

```
item_1  <- new("item_1PL", difficulty = 0.5)
h_item_1 <- calcHessian(item_1, seq(-3, 3, 1), 0)
item_2  <- new("item_2PL", slope = 1.0, difficulty = 0.5)
h_item_2 <- calcHessian(item_2, seq(-3, 3, 1), 0)
item_3  <- new("item_3PL", slope = 1.0, difficulty = 0.5, guessing = 0.2)
h_item_3 <- calcHessian(item_3, seq(-3, 3, 1), 0)
item_4  <- new("item_PC", threshold = c(-1, 0, 1), ncat = 4)
h_item_4 <- calcHessian(item_4, seq(-3, 3, 1), 0)
item_5  <- new("item_GPC", slope = 1.2, threshold = c(-0.8, -1.0, 0.5), ncat = 4)
h_item_5 <- calcHessian(item_5, seq(-3, 3, 1), 0)
item_6  <- new("item_GR", slope = 0.9, category = c(-1, 0, 1), ncat = 4)
h_item_6 <- calcHessian(item_6, seq(-3, 3, 1), 0)
h_itempool <- calcHessian(itempool_science, seq(-3, 3, 1), 0)
```

calcJacobian

Calculate first derivative of log-likelihood

Description

An S4 generic and its methods to calculate the first derivative of the log-likelihood function.

Usage

```
calcJacobian(object, theta, resp)

## S4 method for signature 'item_1PL,numeric,numeric'
calcJacobian(object, theta, resp)

## S4 method for signature 'item_2PL,numeric,numeric'
calcJacobian(object, theta, resp)

## S4 method for signature 'item_3PL,numeric,numeric'
calcJacobian(object, theta, resp)

## S4 method for signature 'item_PC,numeric,numeric'
calcJacobian(object, theta, resp)

## S4 method for signature 'item_GPC,numeric,numeric'
calcJacobian(object, theta, resp)

## S4 method for signature 'item_GR,numeric,numeric'
calcJacobian(object, theta, resp)
```

```
calcJacobian(object, theta, resp)

## S4 method for signature 'item_pool,numeric,numeric'
calcJacobian(object, theta, resp)

## S4 method for signature 'pool_cluster,numeric,list'
calcJacobian(object, theta, resp)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------|-------------------------------|
| object | An instance of an item class. |
| theta | A vector of theta values. |
| resp | Response data. |

Value

First derivative values of log-likelihoods.

References

- Rasch G (1960). *Probabilistic models for some intelligence and attainment tests*. Copenhagen: Danish Institute for Educational Research.
- Lord FM (1952). “A theory of test scores.” *Psychometric Monograph*, 7.
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Examples

```
item_1  <- new("item_1PL", difficulty = 0.5)
j_item_1 <- calcJacobian(item_1, seq(-3, 3, 1), 0)
item_2  <- new("item_2PL", slope = 1.0, difficulty = 0.5)
```

```
j_item_2 <- calcJacobian(item_2, seq(-3, 3, 1), 0)
item_3   <- new("item_3PL", slope = 1.0, difficulty = 0.5, guessing = 0.2)
j_item_3 <- calcJacobian(item_3, seq(-3, 3, 1), 0)
item_4   <- new("item_PC", threshold = c(-1, 0, 1), ncat = 4)
j_item_4 <- calcJacobian(item_4, seq(-3, 3, 1), 0)
item_5   <- new("item_GPC", slope = 1.2, threshold = c(-0.8, -1.0, 0.5), ncat = 4)
j_item_5 <- calcJacobian(item_5, seq(-3, 3, 1), 0)
item_6   <- new("item_GR", slope = 0.9, category = c(-1, 0, 1), ncat = 4)
j_item_6 <- calcJacobian(item_6, seq(-3, 3, 1), 0)
j_itemspool <- calcJacobian(itemspool_science, seq(-3, 3, 1), 0)
```

calcLocation*Calculate item location***Description**

An S4 generic and its methods to calculate item location.

Usage

```
calcLocation(object)

## S4 method for signature 'item_1PL'
calcLocation(object)

## S4 method for signature 'item_2PL'
calcLocation(object)

## S4 method for signature 'item_3PL'
calcLocation(object)

## S4 method for signature 'item_PC'
calcLocation(object)

## S4 method for signature 'item_GPC'
calcLocation(object)

## S4 method for signature 'item_GR'
calcLocation(object)

## S4 method for signature 'item_pool'
calcLocation(object)

## S4 method for signature 'pool_cluster'
calcLocation(object)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------------|-------------------------------|
| object | An instance of an item class. |
|---------------|-------------------------------|

Value

Item location values.

References

- Rasch G (1960). *Probabilistic models for some intelligence and attainment tests*. Copenhagen: Danish Institute for Educational Research.
- Lord FM (1952). “A theory of test scores.” *Psychometric Monograph*, 7.
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Examples

```
item_1      <- new("item_1PL", difficulty = 0.5)
theta_item_1 <- calcLocation(item_1)
item_2      <- new("item_2PL", slope = 1.0, difficulty = 0.5)
theta_item_2 <- calcLocation(item_2)
item_3      <- new("item_3PL", slope = 1.0, difficulty = 0.5, guessing = 0.2)
theta_item_3 <- calcLocation(item_3)
item_4      <- new("item_PC", threshold = c(-1, 0, 1), ncat = 4)
theta_item_4 <- calcLocation(item_4)
item_5      <- new("item_GPC", slope = 1.2, threshold = c(-0.8, -1.0, 0.5), ncat = 4)
theta_item_5 <- calcLocation(item_5)
item_6      <- new("item_GR", slope = 0.9, category = c(-1, 0, 1), ncat = 4)
theta_item_6 <- calcLocation(item_6)
theta_itempool <- calcLocation(itempool_science)
```

calcProb*Calculate item response probabilities*

Description

An S4 generic and its methods to calculate item response probabilities for different item classes

Usage

```
calcProb(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_1PL,numeric'
calcProb(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_2PL,numeric'
calcProb(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_3PL,numeric'
calcProb(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_PC,numeric'
calcProb(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_GPC,numeric'
calcProb(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_GR,numeric'
calcProb(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_pool,numeric'
calcProb(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'pool_cluster,numeric'
calcProb(object, theta)
```

Arguments

- object** An instance of an item class.
theta A vector of theta values.

Value

A matrix of probability values with a dimension (nq, ncat) for a single item or a list of matrices for an instance of "item_pool".

References

- Rasch G (1960). *Probabilistic models for some intelligence and attainment tests*. Copenhagen: Danish Institute for Educational Research.
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Examples

```
item_1      <- new("item_1PL", difficulty = 0.5)
prob_item_1 <- calcProb(item_1, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_2      <- new("item_2PL", slope = 1.0, difficulty = 0.5)
prob_item_2 <- calcProb(item_2, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_3      <- new("item_3PL", slope = 1.0, difficulty = 0.5, guessing = 0.2)
prob_item_3 <- calcProb(item_3, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_4      <- new("item_PC", threshold = c(-1, 0, 1), ncat = 4)
prob_item_4 <- calcProb(item_4, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_5      <- new("item_GPC", slope = 1.2, threshold = c(-0.8, -1.0, 0.5), ncat = 4)
prob_item_5 <- calcProb(item_5, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_6      <- new("item_GR", slope = 0.9, category = c(-1, 0, 1), ncat = 4)
prob_item_6 <- calcProb(item_6, seq(-3, 3, 1))
prob_itempool <- calcProb(itempool_science, seq(-3, 3, 1))
```

Description

Find theta corresponding to a response probability value for each item.

Usage

```
calcRP(object, rp = 0.5, max_iter = 100, conv = 1e-04, start_theta = 0)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------|--------------------------------------|
| object | An item_pool object. |
| rp | A response probability value. |
| max_iter | A maximum number of iterations. |
| conv | A convergence criterion. |
| start_theta | A starting theta value. |

calc_info

Calculate the Fisher information matrix for a single theta value and a set of items, potentially with a mixture of different models

Description

Calculate the Fisher information matrix for a single theta value and a set of items, potentially with a mixture of different models

Usage

```
calc_info(x, item_parm, ncat, model)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| x | Numeric. A single theta value. |
| item_parm | A matrix of item parameters. |
| ncat | A numeric vector of the number of response categories by item. |
| model | A numeric vector indicating the IRT models of each item (1: 1PL, 2: 2PL, 3: 3PL, 4: PC, 5: GPC, 6: GR). |

calc_info_EB*Calculate the Fisher information using empirical Bayes***Description**

Calculate the Fisher information using empirical Bayes.

Usage

```
calc_info_EB(x, item_parm, ncat, model)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|------------------------|---|
| <code>x</code> | A numeric vector of MCMC sampled theta values. |
| <code>item_parm</code> | A numeric matrix of item parameters. |
| <code>ncat</code> | A numeric vector of the number of response categories by item. |
| <code>model</code> | A numeric vector indicating the IRT models of each item (1: 1PL, 2: 2PL, 3: 3PL, 4: PC, 5: GPC, 6: GR). |

calc_info_FB*Calculate the Fisher information using full Bayesian***Description**

Calculate the Fisher information using full Bayesian.

Usage

```
calc_info_FB(x, items_list, ncat, model, useEAP = FALSE)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|-------------------------|---|
| <code>x</code> | A numeric vector of MCMC sampled theta values. |
| <code>items_list</code> | A list of item parameter matrices. |
| <code>ncat</code> | A numeric vector of the number of response categories by item. |
| <code>model</code> | A numeric vector indicating the IRT models of each item (1: 1PL, 2: 2PL, 3: 3PL, 4: PC, 5: GPC, 6: GR). |
| <code>useEAP</code> | TRUE to use the mean of MCMC theta draws. |

| | |
|------------------|--|
| calc_info_matrix | <i>Calculate the Fisher information matrix for a vector of theta values and a set of items, potentially with a mixture of different models</i> |
|------------------|--|

Description

Calculate the Fisher information matrix for a vector of theta values and a set of items, potentially with a mixture of different models

Usage

```
calc_info_matrix(x, item_parm, ncat, model)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| x | Numeric. A vector of theta values. |
| item_parm | A matrix of item parameters. |
| ncat | A numeric vector of the number of response categories by item. |
| model | A numeric vector indicating the IRT models of each item (1: 1PL, 2: 2PL, 3: 3PL, 4: PC, 5: GPC, 6: GR). |

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| calc_likelihood | <i>Calculate a likelihood value of theta</i> |
|-----------------|--|

Description

Calculate a likelihood value of theta.

Usage

```
calc_likelihood(x, item_parm, resp, ncat, model)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| x | Numeric. A single theta value. |
| item_parm | A numeric matrix of item parameters. |
| resp | A numeric vector of item responses. |
| ncat | A numeric vector of the number of response categories by item. |
| model | A numeric vector indicating the IRT models of each item (1: 1PL, 2: 2PL, 3: 3PL, 4: PC, 5: GPC, 6: GR). |

calc_likelihood_function*Calculate a likelihood function of theta***Description**

Calculate a likelihood function of theta.

Usage

```
calc_likelihood_function(theta_grid, item_parm, resp, ncat, model)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------------------|---|
| <code>theta_grid</code> | An equi-spaced grid of theta values. |
| <code>item_parm</code> | A numeric matrix of item parameters. |
| <code>resp</code> | A numeric vector of item responses. |
| <code>ncat</code> | A numeric vector of the number of response categories by item. |
| <code>model</code> | A numeric vector indicating the IRT models of each item (1: 1PL, 2: 2PL, 3: 3PL, 4: PC, 5: GPC, 6: GR). |

calc_log_likelihood*Calculate a log-likelihood value of theta***Description**

Calculate a log-likelihood value of theta.

Usage

```
calc_log_likelihood(x, item_parm, resp, ncat, model, prior, prior_parm)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------------------|---|
| <code>x</code> | A length-one numeric vector for a theta value. |
| <code>item_parm</code> | A numeric matrix of item parameters. |
| <code>resp</code> | A numeric vector of item responses. |
| <code>ncat</code> | A numeric vector of the number of response categories by item. |
| <code>model</code> | A numeric vector indicating the IRT models of each item (1: 1PL, 2: 2PL, 3: 3PL, 4: PC, 5: GPC, 6: GR). |
| <code>prior</code> | The type of prior distribution (1: normal, 2: uniform). |
| <code>prior_parm</code> | A numeric vector of hyperparameters for the prior distribution, <code>c(mu, sigma)</code> or <code>c(ll, ul)</code> . |

calc_log_likelihood_function
Calculate a log-likelihood function of theta

Description

Calculate a log-likelihood function of theta.

Usage

```
calc_log_likelihood_function(
  theta_grid,
  item_parm,
  resp,
  ncat,
  model,
  prior,
  prior_parm
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|---|
| theta_grid | An equi-spaced grid of theta values. |
| item_parm | A numeric matrix of item parameters. |
| resp | A numeric vector of item responses. |
| ncat | A numeric vector of the number of response categories by item. |
| model | A numeric vector indicating the IRT models of each item (1: 1PL, 2: 2PL, 3: 3PL, 4: PC, 5: GPC, 6: GR). |
| prior | The type of prior distribution (1: normal, 2: uniform). |
| prior_parm | A numeric vector of hyperparameters for the prior distribution, c(mu, sigma) or c(ll, ul). |

calc_MI_FB *Calculate the mutual information using full Bayesian*

Description

Calculate the mutual information using full Bayesian.

Usage

```
calc_MI_FB(x, items_list, ncat, model)
```

Arguments

- x** A numeric vector of MCMC sampled theta values.
- items_list** A list of item parameter matrices.
- ncat** A numeric vector of the number of response categories by item.
- model** A numeric vector indicating the IRT models of each item (1: 1PL, 2: 2PL, 3: 3PL, 4: PC, 5: GPC, 6: GR).

calc_posterior*Calculate a posterior value of theta***Description**

Calculate a posterior value of theta.

Usage

```
calc_posterior(x, item_parm, resp, ncat, model, prior, prior_parm)
```

Arguments

- x** A length-one numeric vector for a theta value.
- item_parm** A numeric matrix of item parameters.
- resp** A numeric vector of item responses.
- ncat** A numeric vector of the number of response categories by item.
- model** A numeric vector indicating the IRT models of each item (1: 1PL, 2: 2PL, 3: 3PL, 4: PC, 5: GPC, 6: GR).
- prior** The type of prior distribution (1: normal, 2: uniform).
- prior_parm** A numeric vector of hyperparameters for the prior distribution, c(mu, sigma) or c(ll, ul).

calc_posterior_function*Calculate a posterior distribution of theta***Description**

Calculate a posterior distribution of theta.

Usage

```
calc_posterior_function(
  theta_grid,
  item_parm,
  resp,
  ncat,
  model,
  prior,
  prior_parm
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|---|
| theta_grid | An equi-spaced grid of theta values. |
| item_parm | A numeric matrix of item parameters. |
| resp | A numeric vector of item responses. |
| ncat | A numeric vector of the number of response categories by item. |
| model | A numeric vector indicating the IRT models of each item (1: 1PL, 2: 2PL, 3: 3PL, 4: PC, 5: GPC, 6: GR). |
| prior | The type of prior distribution (1: normal, 2: uniform). |
| prior_parm | A numeric vector of hyperparameters for the prior distribution, c(mu, sigma) or c(ll, ul). |

`calc_posterior_single` *Calculate a posterior value of theta for a single item*

Description

Calculate a posterior value of theta for a single item.

Usage

```
calc_posterior_single(x, item_parm, resp, ncat, model, prior, prior_parm)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|--|
| x | A length-one numeric vector for a theta value. |
| item_parm | A numeric vector of item parameters (for one item). |
| resp | A length-one numeric vector of item responses. |
| ncat | A length-one numeric vector of the number of response categories by item. |
| model | A length-one numeric vector of the IRT model by item (1: 1PL, 2: 2PL, 3: 3PL, 4: PC, 5: GPC, 6: GR). |
| prior | The type of prior distribution (1: normal, 2: uniform). |
| prior_parm | A numeric vector of hyperparameters for the prior distribution, c(mu, sigma) or c(ll, ul). |

| | |
|------------------|--|
| checkConstraints | <i>Check the consistency of constraints and item usage</i> |
|------------------|--|

Description

Check the consistency of constraints and item usage.

Usage

```
checkConstraints(constraints, usage_matrix, true_theta = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------------|---|
| constraints | A constraints object generated by loadConstraints . |
| usage_matrix | A matrix of item usage data from Shadow . |
| true_theta | A vector of true theta values. |

| | |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| config_Shadow-class | <i>createShadowTestConfig</i> |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|

Description

Create a [config_Shadow](#) object for Shadow Test Assembly (STA).

Usage

```
createShadowTestConfig(
  item_selection = NULL,
  content_balancing = NULL,
  MIP = NULL,
  MCMC = NULL,
  refresh_policy = NULL,
  exposure_control = NULL,
  stopping_criterion = NULL,
  interim_theta = NULL,
  final_theta = NULL,
  theta_grid = seq(-4, 4, 0.1),
  audit_trail = F
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------------|--|
| item_selection | A list containing item selection criteria. |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • method The type of criteria. Accepts one of MFI, MPWI, FB, EB. • info_type The type of information. Accepts FISHER. • initial_theta Initial theta value(s) for the first item selection. • fixed_theta Fixed theta value(s) to optimize for all items to select. |
| content_balancing | A list containing content balancing options. |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • method The type of balancing method. Accepts one of NONE, STA. |
| MIP | A list containing solver options. |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • solver The type of solver. Accepts one of lpsymphony, Rsymphony, gurobi, lpSolve, Rglpk. • verbosity Verbosity level. • time_limit Time limit to be passed onto solver. Used in solvers lpsymphony, Rsymphony, gurobi, Rglpk. • gap_limit Gap limit (relative) to be passed onto solver. Used in solver gurobi. Uses the solver default when NULL. • gap_limit_abs Gap limit (absolute) to be passed onto solver. Used in solver lpsymphony, Rsymphony. Uses the solver default when NULL. |
| MCMC | A list containing Markov-chain Monte Carlo configurations. |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • burn_in Numeric. The number of chains from the start to discard. • post_burn_in Numeric. The number of chains to use after discarding the first burn_in chains. • thin Numeric. Thinning interval. • jumpfactor Numeric. Jump factor. |
| refresh_policy | A list containing refresh policy for obtaining a new shadow test. |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • method The type of policy. Accepts one of ALWAYS, POSITION, INTERVAL, THRESHOLD, INTERVAL-THRESHOLD. • interval Integer. Set to 1 to refresh at each position, 2 to refresh at every two positions, and so on. • threshold Numeric. The shadow test is refreshed when the absolute change in theta estimate is greater than this value. • position Numeric. Position(s) at which refresh to occur. |
| exposure_control | A list containing exposure control settings. |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • method Accepts one of "NONE", "ELIGIBILITY", "BIGM", "BIGM-BAYESIAN". • M Big M constant. • max_exposure_rate Maximum target exposure rate. • acceleration_factor Acceleration factor. • n_segment Number of theta segments. • first_segment Theta segment assumed at the begining of test. • segment_cut A numeric vector of segment cuts. • initial_eligibility_stats A list of eligibility statistics from a previous run. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • fading_factor Fading factor. • diagnostic_stats TRUE to generate diagnostic statistics. |
| stopping_criterion | A list containing stopping criterion. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • method Accepts one of "FIXED". • test_length Test length. • min_ni Maximum number of items to administer. • max_ni Minimum number of items to administer. • se_threshold Standard error threshold for stopping. |
| interim_theta | A list containing interim theta estimation options. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • method The type of estimation. Accepts one of EAP, EB, FB. • shrinkage_correction Set TRUE to correct for shrinkage in EAP • prior_dist The type of prior distribution. Accepts one of NORMAL, UNIF. • prior_par Distributional parameters for the prior. • bound_ML Theta bound for MLE. • truncate_ML Set TRUE to truncate MLE within bound_ML • max_iter Maximum number of Newton-Raphson iterations. • crit Convergence criterion. • max_change Maximum change in ML estimates between iterations. • do_fisher Set TRUE to use Fisher's method of scoring. |
| final_theta | A list containing final theta estimation options. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • method The type of estimation. Accepts one of EAP, EB, FB. • shrinkage_correction Set TRUE to correct for shrinkage in EAP. • prior_dist The type of prior distribution. Accepts one of NORMAL, UNIF. • prior_par Distributional parameters for the prior. • bound_ML Theta bound for MLE. • truncate_ML Set TRUE to truncate MLE within bound_ML • max_iter Maximum number of Newton-Raphson iterations. • crit Convergence criterion. • max_change Maximum change in ML estimates between iterations. • do_fisher Set TRUE to use Fisher's method of scoring. |
| theta_grid | A numeric vector. Theta values to represent the continuum. |
| audit_trail | Set TRUE to generate audit trails. |

Examples

```
cfg1 <- createShadowTestConfig(refresh_policy = list(
  method = "STIMULUS"
))
cfg2 <- createShadowTestConfig(refresh_policy = list(
  method = "POSITION",
  position = c(1, 5, 9)
))
```

| | |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| config_Static-class | <i>createStaticTestConfig</i> |
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Description

Create a `config_Static` object for Static (fixed-form) test assembly.

Usage

```
createStaticTestConfig(item_selection = NULL, MIP = NULL)
```

Arguments

`item_selection` A list containing item selection criteria. This should have the following entries:

- `method` The type of criteria. Accepts MAXINFO, TIF, TCC.
- `info_type` The type of information. Accepts FISHER.
- `target_location` A numeric vector containing the locations of target theta points. (e.g. `c(-1, 0, 1)`)
- `target_value` A numeric vector containing the target values at each theta location. This should have the same length with `target_location`. Ignored if method is MAXINFO.
- `target_weight` A numeric vector containing the weights for each theta location. This should have the same length with `targetlocation`. Defaults to a vector of 1s.

`MIP`

A list containing solver options. This should have the following entries:

- `solver` The type of solver. Accepts lpsymphony, Rsymphony, gurobi, lpSolve, Rglpk.
- `verbosity` Verbosity level of the solver. Defaults to -2.
- `time_limit` Time limit in seconds passed onto the solver. Defaults to 60. Used in solvers lpsymphony, Rsymphony, gurobi, Rglpk.
- `gap_limit` Termination criterion. Gap limit in relative scale passed onto the solver. Defaults to .05. Used in solver gurobi.
- `gap_limit_abs` Termination criterion. Gap limit in absolute scale passed onto the solver. Defaults to .05. Used in solver lpsymphony, Rsymphony.
- `obj_tol` Termination criterion. Tolerance on target objective value in absolute difference scale. Defaults to .05. Ignored if method is MAXINFO.

Examples

```
cfg1 <- createStaticTestConfig(
  list(
    method = "MAXINFO",
    info_type = "FISHER",
    target_location = c(-1, 0, 1),
    target_weight = c(1, 1, 1)
  )
)
```

```

)
cfg2 <- createStaticTestConfig(
  list(
    method = "TIF",
    info_type = "FISHER",
    target_location = c(-1, 0, 1),
    target_weight = c(1, 1, 1),
    target_value = c(8, 10, 12)
  )
)

cfg3 <- createStaticTestConfig(
  list(
    method = "TCC",
    info_type = "FISHER",
    target_location = c(-1, 0, 1),
    target_weight = c(1, 1, 1),
    target_value = c(10, 15, 20)
  )
)

```

constraint-class *An S4 class to represent a single constraint*

Description

An S4 class to represent a single constraint.

Slots

constraint Character. The index of the constraint.

mat A matrix representing the left-hand side weights. Has nc rows.

dir A vector of length nc. Each entry represents a logical operator relating the left-hand side to the right-hand side.

rhs A vector of length nc. Each entry represents the right-hand side of the constraint.

nc Numeric. The number of constraints represented in the constraint set.

suspend TRUE if the constraint is to be turned off.

| | |
|-------------------|--|
| constraints-class | <i>An S4 class to represent a set of constraints</i> |
|-------------------|--|

Description

An S4 class to represent a set of constraints.

Slots

slope Numeric. A slope parameter value.

difficulty Numeric. A difficulty parameter value.

| | |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| dataset_fatigue | <i>Fatigue dataset</i> |
|-----------------|------------------------|

Description

Item-based example pool with item contents (95 items).

Details

This pool is associated with the following objects:

- itempool_fatigue An [item_pool](#) object.
- itemattrib_fatigue A data frame containing item attributes.
- constraints_fatigue A list containing 111 constraints.

Also, the following datasets are intended for illustrating expected data structures. See examples below.

- itempool_fatigue_raw Item parameters.
- itemattrib_fatigue_raw Item attributes.
- itemcontent_fatigue_raw Item contents.
- constraints_fatigue_raw Constraints.
- resp_fatigue_raw Raw response data.

Examples

```

## Write to tempdir() and clean afterwards
f <- file.path(tempdir(), "itempool_fatigue.csv")
write.csv(itempool_fatigue_raw, f, row.names = FALSE)
itempool_fatigue <- loadItemPool(f)
file.remove(f)

f <- file.path(tempdir(), "itemattrib_fatigue.csv")
write.csv(itemattrib_fatigue_raw, f, row.names = FALSE)
itemattrib_fatigue <- loadItemAttrib(f, itempool_fatigue)
file.remove(f)

f <- file.path(tempdir(), "constraints_fatigue.csv")
write.csv(constraints_fatigue_raw, f, row.names = FALSE)
constraints_fatigue <- loadConstraints(f,
  itempool_fatigue, itemattrib_fatigue)
file.remove(f)

## Item contents for use in shiny app
f <- file.path(tempdir(), "itemcontent_fatigue.csv")
write.csv(itemcontent_fatigue_raw, f, row.names = FALSE)
file.remove(f)

## Raw item responses for reference
f <- file.path(tempdir(), "resp_fatigue.csv")
write.table(resp_fatigue_raw, f, row.names = FALSE, col.names = FALSE, sep = ",")
file.remove(f)

```

dataset_reading *Reading dataset*

Description

Stimulus-based example item pool (303 items).

Details

This pool is associated with the following objects:

- itempool_reading An [item_pool](#) object.
- itemattrib_reading A data frame containing item attributes.
- stimattrib_reading A data frame containing stimulus attributes.
- constraints_reading A list containing 18 constraints.

Also, the following datasets are intended for illustrating expected data structures. See examples below.

- itempool_reading_raw Item parameters.

- itemattrib_reading_raw Item attributes.
- stimattrib_reading_raw Item attributes.
- constraints_reading_raw Constraints.

Examples

```
## Write to tempdir() and clean afterwards
f <- file.path(tempdir(), "itempool_reading.csv")
write.csv(itempool_reading_raw, f, row.names = FALSE)
itempool_reading <- loadItemPool(f)
file.remove(f)

f <- file.path(tempdir(), "itemattrib_reading.csv")
write.csv(itemattrib_reading_raw, f, row.names = FALSE)
itemattrib_reading <- loadItemAttrib(f, itempool_reading)
file.remove(f)

f <- file.path(tempdir(), "stimattrib_reading.csv")
write.csv(stimattrib_reading_raw, f, row.names = FALSE)
stimattrib_reading <- loadStAttrib(f, itemattrib_reading)
file.remove(f)

f <- file.path(tempdir(), "constraints_reading.csv")
write.csv(constraints_reading_raw, f, row.names = FALSE)
constraints_reading <- loadConstraints(f,
  itempool_reading, itemattrib_reading, stimattrib_reading)
file.remove(f)
```

dataset_science *Science dataset*

Description

Item-based example item pool (1000 items).

Details

This pool is associated with the following objects:

- itempool_science An [item_pool](#) object.
- itemattrib_science A data frame containing item attributes.
- constraints_science A list containing 36 constraints.

Also, the following datasets are intended for illustrating expected data structures. See examples below.

- itempool_science_raw Item parameters.
- itemattrib_science_raw Item attributes.
- constraints_science_raw Constraints.

Examples

```
## Write to tempdir() and clean afterwards
f <- file.path(tempdir(), "itempool_science.csv")
write.csv(itempool_science_raw, f, row.names = FALSE)
itempool_science <- loadItemPool(f)
file.remove(f)

f <- file.path(tempdir(), "itemattrib_science.csv")
write.csv(itemattrib_science_raw, f, row.names = FALSE)
itemattrib_science <- loadItemAttrib(f, itempool_science)
file.remove(f)

f <- file.path(tempdir(), "constraints_science.csv")
write.csv(constraints_science_raw, f, row.names = FALSE)
constraints_science <- loadConstraints(f,
  itempool_science, itemattrib_science)
file.remove(f)
```

EAP

Generate expected a posteriori estimates of theta

Description

Generate expected a posteriori estimates of theta.

Usage

```
EAP(object, prior, select = NULL, reset_prior = FALSE)

## S4 method for signature 'test'
EAP(object, prior, select = NULL, reset_prior = FALSE)

## S4 method for signature 'test_cluster'
EAP(object, prior, select = NULL, reset_prior = FALSE)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|-------------|---|
| object | A test or a test_cluster object. |
| prior | A prior distribution, a numeric vector for a common prior or a matrix for individualized priors. |
| select | A vector of indices identifying the items to subset. |
| reset_prior | Set TRUE to reset the prior distribution for each test when object is of class test_cluster . |

| | |
|-----|--|
| eap | <i>Generate expected a posteriori estimates of theta</i> |
|-----|--|

Description

Generate expected a posteriori estimates of theta.

Usage

```
eap(object, theta, prior, resp, select = NULL)

## S4 method for signature 'item_pool'
eap(object, theta, prior, resp, select = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------|--|
| object | An item_pool object. |
| theta | A theta grid. |
| prior | A prior distribution, a numeric vector for a common prior or a matrix for individualized priors. |
| resp | A numeric matrix of item responses, one row per examinee. |
| select | A vector of indices identifying the items to subset. |

| | |
|-----------------|----------------|
| extract-methods | <i>Extract</i> |
|-----------------|----------------|

Description

Extract

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'item_pool,ANY,ANY,ANY'
x[i, j, ... , drop = TRUE]

## S4 method for signature 'test,ANY,ANY,ANY'
x[i, j, ... , drop = TRUE]
```

Arguments

| | |
|------|------|
| x | x |
| i | i |
| j | j |
| ... | ... |
| drop | drop |

find_segment*Find the segment to which each theta value belongs***Description**

Find the segment to which each theta value belongs.

Usage

```
find_segment(segment, x)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <code>segment</code> | A numeric vector of segment cuts. |
| <code>x</code> | A numeric vector of theta values. |

getSolution*Print solution items***Description**

Print solution items

Usage

```
getSolution(object, examinee = NA, position = NA, index_only = TRUE)

## S4 method for signature 'list'
getSolution(object, examinee = NA, position = NA, index_only = TRUE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------------------|--|
| <code>object</code> | Output from Static or Shadow . |
| <code>examinee</code> | Examinee id to display the solution. Used when 'object' is from Shadow . |
| <code>position</code> | If supplied, display the item attributes of the shadow test at that item position. If not supplied, display the item attributes of the administered items. Applied when 'object' is from Shadow . |
| <code>index_only</code> | If TRUE (default), print the item indexes only. Otherwise, print all item attributes. |

Value

Item attributes of solution items.

info_1pl*Calculate Fisher information at a single theta (1PL)*

Description

Calculate the Fisher information at a theta value according to the 1PL model.

Usage

```
info_1pl(x, b)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|---|--|
| x | Numeric. A single theta value. |
| b | Numeric. A difficulty parameter value. |

References

Rasch G (1960). *Probabilistic models for some intelligence and attainment tests*. Copenhagen: Danish Institute for Educational Research.

info_2pl*Calculate Fisher information at a single theta (2PL)*

Description

Calculate the Fisher information at a theta value according to the 2PL model.

Usage

```
info_2pl(x, a, b)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|---|--|
| x | Numeric. A single theta value. |
| a | Numeric. A slope parameter value. |
| b | Numeric. A difficulty parameter value. |

References

- Lord FM (1952). “A theory of test scores.” *Psychometric Monograph*, 7.
- Birnbaum A (1957). “Efficient design and use of tests of mental ability for various decision-making problems (Series Report No. 58-16. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.
- Birnbaum A (1958). “On the estimation of mental ability (Series Report No. 15. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.
- Birnbaum A (1958). “Further considerations of efficiency in tests of a mental ability (Series Report No. 17. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.

info_3pl

Calculate Fisher information at a single theta (3PL)

Description

Calculate the Fisher information at a theta value according to the 3PL model.

Usage

```
info_3pl(x, a, b, c)
```

Arguments

- x Numeric. A single theta value.
- a Numeric. A slope parameter value.
- b Numeric. A difficulty parameter value.
- c Numeric. A guessing parameter value.

References

- Birnbaum A (1968). “Some latent trait models and their use in inferring an examinee’s ability.” In Lord FM, Novick MR (eds.), *Statistical Theories of Mental Test Scores*, 397–479. Addison-Wesley, Reading, MA.

info_gpc*Calculate Fisher information at a single theta (GPC).*

Description

Calculate the Fisher information at a theta value according to the generalized partial credit model.

Usage

```
info_gpc(x, a, b)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|---|--|
| x | Numeric. A single theta value. |
| a | Numeric. A slope parameter value. |
| b | Numeric. A vector of threshold parameter values. |

References

Muraki E (1992). “A generalized partial credit model: Application of an EM algorithm.” *Applied Psychological Measurement*, **16**(2), 159–176.

info_gr*Calculate Fisher information at a single theta (GR).*

Description

Calculate the Fisher information at a theta value according to the graded response model.

Usage

```
info_gr(x, a, b)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|---|--|
| x | Numeric. A single theta value. |
| a | Numeric. A slope parameter value. |
| b | Numeric. A vector of category boundary parameter values. |

References

Samejima F (1969). “Estimation of latent ability using a response pattern of graded scores.” *Psychometrika Monograph*, **17**.

`info_pc`*Calculate Fisher information at a single theta (PC)***Description**

Calculate the Fisher information at a theta value according to the partial credit model.

Usage

```
info_pc(x, b)
```

Arguments

- `x` Numeric. A single theta value.
- `b` Numeric. A vector of threshold parameter values.

References

- Masters GN (1982). “A Rasch model for partial credit scoring.” *Psychometrika*, **47**(2), 149–174.
- Andrich D (1978). “A rating formulation for ordered response categories.” *Psychometrika*, **43**(4), 561–573.

`iparPosteriorSample`*Sample item parameter estimates from their posterior distributions***Description**

Sample item parameter estimates from their posterior distributions.

Usage

```
iparPosteriorSample(pool, n_sample = 500)
```

Arguments

- `pool` An `item_pool` object.
- `n_sample` An integer as the number of sampled parameters.

Examples

```
ipar <- iparPosteriorSample(itempool_science, 5)
```

| | |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| item_1PL-class | An S4 class to represent a 1PL item |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|

Description

An S4 class to represent a 1PL item.

Slots

difficulty Numeric. A difficulty parameter value.

References

Rasch G (1960). *Probabilistic models for some intelligence and attainment tests*. Copenhagen: Danish Institute for Educational Research.

Examples

```
item_1 <- new("item_1PL", difficulty = 0.5)
```

| | |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| item_2PL-class | An S4 class to represent a 2PL item |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|

Description

An S4 class to represent a 2PL item.

Slots

slope Numeric. A slope parameter value.

difficulty Numeric. A difficulty parameter value.

References

Lord FM (1952). “A theory of test scores.” *Psychometric Monograph*, 7.

Birnbaum A (1957). “Efficient design and use of tests of mental ability for various decision-making problems (Series Report No. 58-16. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.

Birnbaum A (1958). “On the estimation of mental ability (Series Report No. 15. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.

Birnbaum A (1958). “Further considerations of efficiency in tests of a mental ability (Series Report No. 17. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.

Examples

```
item_2 <- new("item_2PL", slope = 1.0, difficulty = 0.5)
```

item_3PL-class*An S4 class to represent a 3PL item*

Description

An S4 class to represent a 3PL item.

Slots

slope Numeric. A slope parameter value.

difficulty Numeric. A difficulty parameter value.

guessing Numeric. A guessing parameter value.

References

Birnbaum A (1968). “Some latent trait models and their use in inferring an examinee’s ability.” In Lord FM, Novick MR (eds.), *Statistical Theories of Mental Test Scores*, 397–479. Addison-Wesley, Reading, MA.

Examples

```
item_3 <- new("item_3PL", slope = 1.0, difficulty = 0.5, guessing = 0.2)
```

item_attrib-class*An S4 class to represent a set of constraints.*

Description

An S4 class to represent a set of constraints.

Slots

slope Numeric. A slope parameter value.

difficulty Numeric. A difficulty parameter value.

| | |
|----------------|--|
| item_GPC-class | An S4 class to represent a generalized partial credit item |
|----------------|--|

Description

An S4 class to represent a generalized partial credit item.

Slots

slope Numeric. A slope parameter value.
threshold Numeric. A vector of threshold parameter values.
ncat Numeric. The number of response categories.

References

Muraki E (1992). “A generalized partial credit model: Application of an EM algorithm.” *Applied Psychological Measurement*, **16**(2), 159–176.

Examples

```
item_5 <- new("item_GPC", slope = 1.0, threshold = c(-0.5, 0.0, 0.5), ncat = 4)
```

| | |
|---------------|---|
| item_GR-class | An S4 class to represent a graded response item |
|---------------|---|

Description

An S4 class to represent a graded response item.

Slots

slope Numeric. A slope parameter value.
category Numeric. A vector of category boundary values.
ncat Numeric. The number of response categories.

References

Samejima F (1969). “Estimation of latent ability using a response pattern of graded scores.” *Psychometrika Monograph*, **17**.

Examples

```
item_6 <- new("item_GR", slope = 1.0, category = c(-2.0, -1.0, 0, 1.0, 2.0), ncat = 6)
```

| | |
|---------------|---|
| item_PC-class | <i>An S4 class to represent a partial credit item</i> |
|---------------|---|

Description

An S4 class to represent a partial credit item.

Slots

threshold Numeric. A vector of threshold parameter values.

ncat Numeric. The number of response categories.

References

Masters GN (1982). “A Rasch model for partial credit scoring.” *Psychometrika*, **47**(2), 149–174.

Andrich D (1978). “A rating formulation for ordered response categories.” *Psychometrika*, **43**(4), 561–573.

Examples

```
item_4 <- new("item_PC", threshold = c(-0.5, 0.5), ncat = 3)
```

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| item_pool-class | <i>An S4 class to represent an item pool</i> |
|-----------------|--|

Description

An S4 class to represent an item pool.

Slots

ni Numeric. The number of items in the item pool.

max_cat Numeric. The maximum number of response categories across all items.

index Numeric. A vector of item indices.

id Character. A vector of item ids.

model Numeric. A vector of item model codes (1: item.1pl, 2: item_2PL, 3: item_3PL, 4: item_PC, 5: item_GPC, 6: item_GR).

NCAT Numeric. A vector of the number of response categories for each item.

parms A list of item parameters in the pool.

ipar A matrix of item parameters in the pool.

se A matrix representing standard errors of the item parameters.

raw A data.frame containing raw input data.

item_pool.operators *Item pool and pool cluster operators*

Description

`pool1 + pool2` combines two `item_pool` objects.

`pool1 - pool2` excludes the items in the second item pool from the first. The two `item_pool` objects must overlap for this to be performed.

`pool1 == pool2` tests equality of the two `item_pool` objects.

`pool_cluster1 == pool_cluster2` tests equality of the two `pool_cluster` objects.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'item_pool'
pool1 + pool2

## S3 method for class 'item_pool'
pool1 - pool2

## S3 method for class 'item_pool'
pool1 == pool2

## S3 method for class 'pool_cluster'
pool_cluster1 == pool_cluster2
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <code>pool1</code> | An <code>item_pool</code> object. |
| <code>pool2</code> | An <code>item_pool</code> object. |
| <code>pool_cluster1</code> | A <code>pool_cluster</code> object. |
| <code>pool_cluster2</code> | A <code>pool_cluster</code> object. |

Examples

```
itempool <- itempool_science + itempool_reading

subitempool <- subsetItemPool(itempool_science, 1:500)
itempool <- itempool_science - subitempool

itempool <- subsetItemPool(itempool_science, 1:500)
subitempool1 <- itempool_science - itempool
subitempool2 <- subsetItemPool(itempool_science, 501:1000)
subitempool1 == subitempool2 ## TRUE

cluster1 <- makeItemPoolCluster(c(itempool_science, itempool_reading))
cluster2 <- makeItemPoolCluster(c(cluster1@pools[[1]], cluster1@pools[[2]]))
```

```
cluster1 == cluster2 ## TRUE
```

lnHyperPars*Calculate hyperparameters for log-normal distribution***Description**

Calculate hyperparameters for log-normal distribution.

Usage

```
lnHyperPars(mean, sd)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|-------------------|---|
| <code>mean</code> | Mean of the distribution. |
| <code>sd</code> | Standard deviation of the distribution. |

Examples

```
lnHyperPars(.5, 1)
```

loadConstraints*Load constraints***Description**

Read constraints from specified file.

Usage

```
loadConstraints(file, pool, item_attrib, st_attrib = NULL)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|--------------------------|---|
| <code>file</code> | Character. The name of the file containing specifications for constraints. |
| <code>pool</code> | An <code>item_pool</code> object. |
| <code>item_attrib</code> | An <code>item_attrib</code> object containing item attributes. Use <code>loadItemAttrib</code> for this. |
| <code>st_attrib</code> | (Optional) An <code>st_attrib</code> object containing stimulus attributes. Use <code>loadStAttrib</code> for this. |

Details

Use `vignette("constraints")` for instructions on how to create the constraint file.

Value

A `constraints` object containing the parsed constraints, to be used in `Static` and `Shadow`.

See Also

`dataset_science` for example usage.

Examples

```
## Write to tempdir() and clean afterwards
f <- file.path(tempdir(), "itempool_science.csv")
write.csv(itempool_science_raw, f, row.names = FALSE)
itempool_science <- loadItemPool(f)
file.remove(f)

f <- file.path(tempdir(), "itemattrib_science.csv")
write.csv(itemattrib_science_raw, f, row.names = FALSE)
itemattrib_science <- loadItemAttrib(f, itempool_science)
file.remove(f)

f <- file.path(tempdir(), "constraints_science.csv")
write.csv(constraints_science_raw, f, row.names = FALSE)
constraints_science <- loadConstraints(f,
  itempool_science, itemattrib_science)
file.remove(f)
```

`loadItemAttrib` *Load item attributes*

Description

Read item attributes from specified file.

Usage

```
loadItemAttrib(file, pool)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------------|---|
| <code>file</code> | Character. The name of the file containing item attributes. |
| <code>pool</code> | An <code>item_pool</code> object. Use <code>loadItemPool</code> for this. |

Value

An [item_attrib](#) object.

See Also

[dataset_science](#) for example usage.

Examples

```
## Write to tempdir() and clean afterwards
f <- file.path(tempdir(), "itempool_science.csv")
write.csv(itempool_science_raw, f, row.names = FALSE)
itempool_science <- loadItemPool(f)
file.remove(f)

f <- file.path(tempdir(), "itemattrib_science.csv")
write.csv(itemattrib_science_raw, f, row.names = FALSE)
itemattrib_science <- loadItemAttrib(f, itempool_science)
file.remove(f)
```

[loadItemPool](#)

Load item paramters

Description

Read item parameters from a .csv file or a data.frame and create an [item_pool](#) class.

Usage

```
loadItemPool(file, ipar = NULL, se_file = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------|---|
| file | File path of a .csv file containing item parameters. The file content should at least include columns 'ID' and 'MODEL'. |
| ipar | A data.frame containing the item parameters. If supplied, this argument is used over 'file'. |
| se_file | File path of a .csv file containing standard errors. |

Value

An [item_pool](#) object.

See Also

[dataset_science](#) for example usage.

Examples

```
## Write to tempdir() and clean afterwards
f <- file.path(tempdir(), "itempool_science.csv")
write.csv(itempool_science_raw, f, row.names = FALSE)
itempool_science <- loadItemPool(f)
file.remove(f)
```

loadStAttrib

Load set/stimulus/passage attributes

Description

Read set, stimulus, or passage attributes from specified file.

Usage

```
loadStAttrib(file, item_attrib)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------|--|
| file | Character. The name of the file containing stimulus attributes. |
| item_attrib | An <code>item_attrib</code> object containing item attributes. Use <code>loadItemAttrib</code> for this. |

Value

A `st_attrib` object containing stimulus attributes.

See Also

[dataset_reading](#) for example usage.

Examples

```
## Write to tempdir() and clean afterwards
f <- file.path(tempdir(), "itempool_reading.csv")
write.csv(itempool_reading_raw, f, row.names = FALSE)
itempool_reading <- loadItemPool(f)
file.remove(f)

f <- file.path(tempdir(), "itemattrib_reading.csv")
write.csv(itemattrib_reading_raw, f, row.names = FALSE)
itemattrib_reading <- loadItemAttrib(f, itempool_reading)
file.remove(f)

f <- file.path(tempdir(), "stimattrib_reading.csv")
write.csv(stimattrib_reading_raw, f, row.names = FALSE)
stimattrib_reading <- loadStAttrib(f, itemattrib_reading)
```

```

file.remove(f)

f <- file.path(tempdir(), "constraints_reading.csv")
write.csv(constraints_reading_raw, f, row.names = FALSE)
constraints_reading <- loadConstraints(f,
  itempool_reading, itemattrib_reading, stimattrib_reading)
file.remove(f)

```

logitHyperPars*Calculate hyperparameters for logit-normal distribution***Description**

Calculate hyperparameters for logit-normal distribution.

Usage

```
logitHyperPars(mean, sd)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|-------------------|---|
| <code>mean</code> | Mean of the distribution. |
| <code>sd</code> | Standard deviation of the distribution. |

Examples

```
logitHyperPars(.5, 1)
```

makeItemPoolCluster*Create an item pool cluster object***Description**

Create a [pool_cluster](#) object.

Usage

```
makeItemPoolCluster(pools, names = NULL)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|--------------------|--|
| <code>pools</code> | A list of item_pool objects. |
| <code>names</code> | An optional vector of item_pool names. |

Examples

```
cluster <- makeItemPoolCluster(c(itempool_science, itempool_reading))
```

| | |
|----------|-------------------------------|
| makeTest | <i>Generate a test object</i> |
|----------|-------------------------------|

Description

Generate a `test` object

Usage

```
makeTest(  
  object,  
  theta = seq(-4, 4, 0.1),  
  info_type = "FISHER",  
  true_theta = NULL  
)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'item_pool'  
makeTest(  
  object,  
  theta = seq(-4, 4, 0.1),  
  info_type = "FISHER",  
  true_theta = NULL  
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|--|
| object | An <code>item_pool</code> object. |
| theta | A grid of theta values. |
| info_type | An information type. |
| true_theta | An optional vector of true theta values to simulate response data. |

Examples

```
test <- makeTest(itempool_science, seq(-3, 3, 1))
```

`makeTestCluster` *Generate a test cluster object*

Description

Generate a `test_cluster` object

Usage

```
makeTestCluster(object, theta, true_theta)

## S4 method for signature 'pool_cluster,numeric,numeric'
makeTestCluster(object, theta, true_theta)

## S4 method for signature 'pool_cluster,numeric,list'
makeTestCluster(object, theta, true_theta)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------------------|---|
| <code>object</code> | An <code>pool_cluster</code> object |
| <code>theta</code> | A grid of theta values |
| <code>true_theta</code> | An optional vector of true theta values to simulate response data |

`MLE` *Generate maximum likelihood estimates of theta*

Description

Generate maximum likelihood estimates of theta.

Usage

```
MLE(
  object,
  start_theta = NULL,
  max_iter = 100,
  crit = 0.001,
  select = NULL,
  theta_range = c(-4, 4),
  truncate = FALSE,
  max_change = 1,
  do_Fisher = TRUE
)
## S4 method for signature 'test'
```

```

MLE(
  object,
  start_theta = NULL,
  max_iter = 100,
  crit = 0.001,
  select = NULL,
  theta_range = c(-4, 4),
  truncate = FALSE,
  max_change = 1,
  do_Fisher = TRUE
)

## S4 method for signature 'test_cluster'
MLE(object, start_theta = NULL, max_iter = 100, crit = 0.001, select = NULL)

```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------|--|
| object | A <code>test</code> object. |
| start_theta | An optional vector of start theta values. |
| max_iter | Maximum number of iterations. |
| crit | Convergence criterion. |
| select | A vector of indices identifying the items to subset. |
| theta_range | A range of theta values: <code>c(minTheta, maxTheta)</code> . |
| truncate | Set <code>TRUE</code> to bound MLE to <code>theta_range</code> . |
| max_change | Maximum change between iterations. |
| do_Fisher | Set <code>TRUE</code> to use Fisher's method of scoring. |

mle

Generate maximum likelihood estimates of theta

Description

Generate maximum likelihood estimates of theta.

Usage

```

mle(
  object,
  resp,
  start_theta = NULL,
  max_iter = 100,
  crit = 0.001,
  select = NULL,
  theta_range = c(-4, 4),
  truncate = FALSE,

```

```

max_change = 1,
do_Fisher = TRUE
)

## S4 method for signature 'item_pool'
mle(
  object,
  resp,
  start_theta = NULL,
  max_iter = 50,
  crit = 0.005,
  select = NULL,
  theta_range = c(-4, 4),
  truncate = FALSE,
  max_change = 1,
  do_Fisher = TRUE
)

```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------|--|
| object | A item_pool object. |
| resp | A vector (or matrix) of item responses. |
| start_theta | An optional vector of start theta values. |
| max_iter | Maximum number of iterations. |
| crit | Convergence criterion. |
| select | A vector of indices identifying the items to subset. |
| theta_range | A range of theta values. |
| truncate | Set TRUE to bound MLE to theta_range: c(minTheta, maxTheta). |
| max_change | Maximum change between iterations. |
| do_Fisher | TRUE to use Fisher's method of scoring. |

Examples

```
mle(itempool_fatigue, resp_fatigue_raw[10,])
```

OAT

Launch Shiny app

Description

Launch Shiny app locally.

Usage

```
OAT()  
app()
```

Examples

```
if (interactive()) {  
  OAT()  
  ## or  
  app()  
}
```

output_Shadow-class *output_Shadow*

Description

output_Shadow

Slots

`simulee_id` Numeric. The index of the simulee.
`true_theta` Numeric or NULL. True theta value of the simulee if supplied in advance.
`true_theta_segment` Numeric or NULL. Which segment the true theta value is in.
`final_theta_est` Numeric. The estimated theta after the last administered item.
`final_se_est` Numeric. The standard error of estimation after the last administered item.
`administered_item_index` Numeric. A vector of item indices administered at each position.
`administered_item_resp` Numeric. A vector of item responses at each position.
`administered_item_ncat` Numeric. A vector containing the number of categories for each administered item.
`administered_stimulus_index` Numeric. A vector of stimulus indices administered at each position.
`shadow_test_refreshed` Logical. A vector of logical values indicating whether the shadow test was refreshed before administering an item at each position.
`shadow_test_feasible` Logical. A vector of logical values indicating whether a feasible solution to the shadow test was available in each position.
`solve_time` Numeric. A vector of values indicating the time taken in obtaining a shadow test.
`interim_theta_est` Numeric. A vector containing estimated thetas at each position.
`interim_se_est` Numeric. A vector containing standard errors at each position.
`theta_segment_index` Numeric. A vector containing which segments the estimated thetas were in at each position.

`prior` Numeric. A prior distribution.
`prior_par` Numeric. The hyper parameters for the prior distribution.
`posterior` Numeric. A posterior distribution.
`posterior_sample` Numeric. A vector containing MCMC samples.
`likelihood` Numeric. A likelihood distribution.
`shadow_test` A list of vectors containing item indices of the shadow test at each position.

plotCAT *Draw an audit trail plot*

Description

Draw an audit trail plot.

Usage

```
plotCAT(
  object,
  examinee_id = 1,
  min_theta = -5,
  max_theta = 5,
  min_score = 0,
  max_score = 1,
  z_ci = 1.96,
  file_pdf = NULL,
  ...
)

## S4 method for signature 'list'
plotCAT(
  object,
  examinee_id = 1,
  min_theta = -5,
  max_theta = 5,
  min_score = 0,
  max_score = 1,
  z_ci = 1.96,
  file_pdf = NULL,
  ...
)

## S4 method for signature 'output_Shadow'
plotCAT(
  object,
  examinee_id = 1,
```

```
min_theta = -5,  
max_theta = 5,  
min_score = 0,  
max_score = 1,  
z_ci = 1.96,  
file_pdf = NULL,  
...  
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------|---|
| object | An output object generated by Shadow . |
| examinee_id | Numeric ID of the examinee to draw the plot. |
| min_theta | A lower bound of theta. |
| max_theta | An upper bound of theta. |
| min_score | A minimum item score. |
| max_score | A maximum item score. |
| z_ci | A quantile of the normal distribution for confidence intervals. |
| file_pdf | If supplied a filename, save as a PDF file. |
| ... | Additional options to be passed on to pdf(). |

Examples

```
config <- createShadowTestConfig()  
true_theta <- rnorm(1)  
solution <- Shadow(config, constraints_science, true_theta)  
plotCAT(solution, 1)
```

plotEligibilityStats *Draw item eligibility statistics plots*

Description

Draw item eligibility statistics plots.

Usage

```
plotEligibilityStats(  
  config,  
  object = NULL,  
  object_no_fading = NULL,  
  file = NULL,  
  file_no_fading = NULL,  
  segment = 1,
```

```

  items = c(1),
  file_pdf = NULL,
  max_rate = 0.25,
  discard_first = NULL
)

```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------------------------|---|
| <code>config</code> | A config_Shadow object. |
| <code>object</code> | An object containing eligibility statistics generated by Shadow . |
| <code>object_no_fading</code> | An object containing eligibility statistics generated without fading. |
| <code>file</code> | The filename of an object containing eligibility statistics generated by Shadow . |
| <code>file_no_fading</code> | The filename of an object containing eligibility statistics generated without fading. |
| <code>segment</code> | A theta segment index. |
| <code>items</code> | A vector of item indices to generate the plots. |
| <code>file_pdf</code> | If supplied a filename, save as a PDF file. |
| <code>max_rate</code> | A target item exposure rate. |
| <code>discard_first</code> | A integer identifying the first x simulees to discard as burn-in. |

plotExposure *Draw an item exposure plot*

Description

Draw a plot of item exposure rates

Usage

```

plotExposure(
  object,
  max_rate = 0.25,
  theta_segment = "Estimated",
  color = "blue",
  color_final = "blue",
  file_pdf = NULL,
  ...
)
## S4 method for signature 'list'
plotExposure(
  object,
  max_rate = 0.25,

```

```

theta_segment = "estimated",
color = "blue",
color_final = "blue",
file_pdf = NULL,
...
)

```

Arguments

| | |
|---------------|---|
| object | An output object generated by Shadow . |
| max_rate | A target exposure rate. |
| theta_segment | True or Estimated theta used to create segments ("Estimated" or "True"). |
| color | Color of item-wise exposure rates. |
| color_final | Color of item-wise exposure rates, only counting the items while in the final theta segment as exposed. |
| file_pdf | If supplied a filename, save as a PDF file. |
| ... | Additional options to be passed on to pdf(). |

Examples

```

true_theta <- runif(10, min = -3.5, max = 3.5)
resp_science <- makeTest(itempool_science, info_type = "FISHER", true_theta = true_theta)@data
constraints_science2 <- updateConstraints(constraints_science, off = c(14:20, 32:36))
config_science <- createShadowTestConfig(
  MIP = list(solver = "lpSolve"),
  exposure_control = list(method = "ELIGIBILITY")
)
solution <- Shadow(config_science, constraints_science2, true_theta, data = resp_science)
p <- plotExposure(solution)

```

plotExposureRateBySegment

Draw exposure rate plots by theta segment

Description

Draw exposure rate plots by theta segment.

Usage

```

plotExposureRateBySegment(
  object,
  config,
  max_rate = 0.25,

```

```

file_pdf = NULL,
width = 7,
height = 6,
mfrow = c(2, 4)
)

```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------------------|--|
| <code>object</code> | An output object generated by Shadow . |
| <code>config</code> | A config_Shadow object. |
| <code>max_rate</code> | A target item exposure rate. |
| <code>file_pdf</code> | If supplied a filename, save as a PDF file. |
| <code>width</code> | Width of the graphics device. |
| <code>height</code> | Height of the graphics device. |
| <code>mfrow</code> | Number of multiple figures defined as c(nrow, ncol). |

plotExposureRateFinal *Draw exposure rate plots by final theta segment*

Description

Draw exposure rate plots by final theta segment.

Usage

```

plotExposureRateFinal(
  object,
  config = NULL,
  max_rate = 0.25,
  theta = "Estimated",
  segment_cut = NULL,
  color = "red",
  file_pdf = NULL,
  width = 7,
  height = 6,
  mfrow = c(2, 4),
  burn = 0,
  retain = NULL
)

```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------------------|--|
| <code>object</code> | An output object generated by Shadow . |
| <code>config</code> | A config_Shadow object. |
| <code>max_rate</code> | A target item exposure rate. |

| | |
|-------------|--|
| theta | By which theta to base the segments, either "Estimated" or "True". |
| segment_cut | A vector of cut values defining theta segments. |
| color | A vector of colors. |
| file_pdf | If supplied a filename, save as a PDF file. |
| width | Width of the graphics object. |
| height | Height of the graphics object. |
| mfrw | Number of multiple figures defined as c(nrow, ncol). |
| burn | An integer identifying the first x simulees to discard as burn-in. |
| retain | An optional vector of indices identifying the simulees to retain. |

Examples

```
true_theta <- runif(10, min = -3.5, max = 3.5)
resp_science <- makeTest(itempool_science, info_type = "FISHER", true_theta = true_theta)@data
constraints_science2 <- updateConstraints(constraints_science, off = c(14:20, 32:36))
config_science <- createShadowTestConfig(
  MIP = list(solver = "LPSOLVE"),
  exposure_control = list(method = "ELIGIBILITY")
)
solution <- Shadow(config_science, constraints_science2, true_theta, data = resp_science)
p <- plotExposureRateFinal(solution, config_science, 0.25)
```

plotExposureRateFinalFlag

Draw item information plots for flagged items by segment

Description

Draw item information plots for flagged items by segment.

Usage

```
plotExposureRateFinalFlag(
  object,
  pool,
  theta = seq(-3, 3, 0.1),
  flag_from = 0.4,
  file_pdf = NULL,
  width = 7,
  height = 6,
  color = "red",
  mfrw = c(2, 4)
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| <code>object</code> | A list object generated by plotExposureRateFinal . |
| <code>pool</code> | An item_pool object. |
| <code>theta</code> | A theta grid. |
| <code>flag_from</code> | A flagging criterion. |
| <code>file_pdf</code> | If supplied a filename, save as a PDF file. |
| <code>width</code> | Width of the graphics device. |
| <code>height</code> | Height of the graphics device. |
| <code>color</code> | Plotting color. |
| <code>mfrow</code> | Number of multiple figures defined as c(nrow, ncol). |

plotInfo*Draw item information plots***Description**

Draw item information plots.

Usage

```
plotInfo(
  object,
  theta = seq(-3, 3, 0.1),
  info_type = "FISHER",
  plot_sum = TRUE,
  select = NULL,
  color = "blue",
  file_pdf = NULL,
  width = 7,
  height = 6,
  mfrow = c(2, 4)
)

## S4 method for signature 'list'
plotInfo(
  object,
  theta = seq(-3, 3, 0.1),
  info_type = "FISHER",
  plot_sum = TRUE,
  select = NULL,
  color = "blue",
  file_pdf = NULL,
  width = 7,
  height = 6,
```

```
  mfrw = c(2, 4)
)

## S4 method for signature 'item_pool'
plotInfo(
  object,
  theta = seq(-3, 3, 0.1),
  info_type = "FISHER",
  plot_sum = TRUE,
  select = NULL,
  color = "blue",
  file_pdf = NULL,
  width = 7,
  height = 6,
  mfrw = c(1, 1)
)

## S4 method for signature 'constraints'
plotInfo(
  object,
  theta = seq(-3, 3, 0.1),
  info_type = "FISHER",
  plot_sum = TRUE,
  select = NULL,
  color = "black",
  file_pdf = NULL,
  width = 7,
  height = 6,
  mfrw = c(1, 1)
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| object | An <code>item_pool</code> object to draw pool-level or item-level information, or a list from <code>Static</code> to draw test-level information. |
| theta | Theta values for drawing the curve. Default is <code>seq(-3, 3, .1)</code> . |
| info_type | Type of information. Currently only accepts FISHER (default). |
| plot_sum | When 'object' is an <code>item_pool</code> object, if TRUE then draw pool-level information, and if FALSE draw item-level information for every item in the pool. |
| select | A vector of indices identifying the items to subset, for when 'object' is an <code>item_pool</code> object. |
| color | The color of the curve. |
| file_pdf | If supplied a filename, save as a PDF file. |
| width | Width of graphics device. |
| height | Width of graphics device. |
| mfrw | Multipanel configurations as <code>c(nrow, ncol)</code> . |

Examples

```
subitempool <- subsetItemPool(itempool_science, 1:8)
plotInfo(subitempool)

config <- createStaticTestConfig()
solution <- Static(config, constraints_science)
plotInfo(solution)
```

plotInfoOverlay *Overlay item information plots*

Description

Overlay item information plots.

Usage

```
plotInfoOverlay(
  object,
  theta,
  info_type = "FISHER",
  select = NULL,
  file_pdf = NULL,
  color = "red",
  width = 7,
  height = 6
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| <code>object</code> | An <code>item_pool</code> object. |
| <code>theta</code> | A theta grid. |
| <code>info_type</code> | Type of information. |
| <code>select</code> | A vector of indices identifying the items to subset. |
| <code>file_pdf</code> | If supplied a filename, save as a PDF file. |
| <code>color</code> | Plotting color. |
| <code>width</code> | Width of the graphics device. |
| <code>height</code> | Height of the graphics device. |

plotRMSE

Draw RMSE plots

Description

Draw RMSE plots.

Usage

```
plotRMSE(  
  ...,  
  title = NULL,  
  legend_title = NULL,  
  legend_labels = NULL,  
  lty_set = NULL,  
  col_set = NULL,  
  theta = seq(-2, 2, 1)  
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------------|--|
| ... | A series of RMSE values. |
| title | A plot title. |
| legend_title | A legend title. |
| legend_labels | A vector of labels for the series. |
| lty_set | A vector of line types for the series. |
| col_set | A vector of colors for the series. |
| theta | A theta grid. |

plotShadow

Draw a shadow test chart

Description

Draw a chart of shadow tests constructed for each simulee. The index of a column represents the position of item administration process, and each column represents the item pool.

Usage

```
plotShadow(
  object,
  examinee_id = 1,
  sort_by_difficulty = FALSE,
  file_pdf = NULL,
  simple = FALSE,
  ...
)

## S4 method for signature 'list'
plotShadow(
  object,
  examinee_id = 1,
  sort_by_difficulty = FALSE,
  file_pdf = NULL,
  simple = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------------------------------|--|
| <code>object</code> | An output from Shadow function. |
| <code>examinee_id</code> | Numeric ID of the examinee to draw the plot. |
| <code>sort_by_difficulty</code> | Sort the items by difficulty. (not implemented) |
| <code>file_pdf</code> | If supplied a filename, save as a PDF file. |
| <code>simple</code> | If TRUE, simplify the chart by hiding unused items. |
| <code>...</code> | Additional options to be passed on to <code>pdf()</code> . |

Examples

```
config <- createShadowTestConfig()
true_theta <- rnorm(1)
solution <- Shadow(config, constraints_science, true_theta)
plotShadow(solution, 1)
plotShadow(solution, 1, simple = TRUE)
```

pool_cluster-class *An S4 class to represent a cluster of item pools*

Description

An S4 class to represent a cluster of item pools.

Slots

`np` A scalar to indicate the number of item pools in the cluster.
`pools` A list of `item_pool` objects.
`names` A character vector of item pool names of length `np`.

`p_1pl`

Calculate probability at a single theta (1PL)

Description

Calculate the probability of correct response at a theta value, under the 1PL model.

Usage

`p_1pl(x, b)`

Arguments

`x` Numeric. A single theta value.
`b` Numeric. A difficulty parameter value.

References

Rasch G (1960). *Probabilistic models for some intelligence and attainment tests*. Copenhagen: Danish Institute for Educational Research.

`p_2pl`

Calculate probability at a single theta (2PL)

Description

Calculate the probability of correct response at a theta value, under the 2PL model.

Usage

`p_2pl(x, a, b)`

Arguments

`x` Numeric. A single theta value.
`a` Numeric. A slope parameter value.
`b` Numeric. A difficulty parameter value.

References

- Lord FM (1952). “A theory of test scores.” *Psychometric Monograph*, 7.
- Birnbaum A (1957). “Efficient design and use of tests of mental ability for various decision-making problems (Series Report No. 58-16. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.
- Birnbaum A (1958). “On the estimation of mental ability (Series Report No. 15. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.
- Birnbaum A (1958). “Further considerations of efficiency in tests of a mental ability (Series Report No. 17. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.

p_3pl

Calculate probability at a single theta (3PL)

Description

Calculate the probability of correct response at a theta value, under the 3PL model.

Usage

```
p_3pl(x, a, b, c)
```

Arguments

- x Numeric. A single theta value.
- a Numeric. A slope parameter value.
- b Numeric. A difficulty parameter value.
- c Numeric. A guessing parameter value.

References

- Birnbaum A (1968). “Some latent trait models and their use in inferring an examinee’s ability.” In Lord FM, Novick MR (eds.), *Statistical Theories of Mental Test Scores*, 397–479. Addison-Wesley, Reading, MA.

| | |
|-------|--|
| p_gpc | <i>Calculate probability at a single theta (GPC)</i> |
|-------|--|

Description

Calculate the probability of correct response at a theta value, under the generalized partial credit model.

Usage

```
p_gpc(x, a, b)
```

Arguments

- x Numeric. A single theta value.
- a Numeric. A slope parameter value.
- b Numeric. A vector of threshold parameter values.

References

Muraki E (1992). “A generalized partial credit model: Application of an EM algorithm.” *Applied Psychological Measurement*, **16**(2), 159–176.

| | |
|------|---|
| p_gr | <i>Calculate probability at a single theta (GR)</i> |
|------|---|

Description

Calculate the probability of correct response at a theta value, under the graded response model.

Usage

```
p_gr(x, a, b)
```

Arguments

- x Numeric. A single theta value.
- a Numeric. A slope parameter value.
- b Numeric. A vector of category boundary parameter values.

References

Samejima F (1969). “Estimation of latent ability using a response pattern of graded scores.” *Psychometrika Monograph*, **17**.

`p_pc`*Calculate probability at a single theta (PC)***Description**

Calculate the probability of correct response at a theta value, under the partial credit model.

Usage

```
p_pc(x, b)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|----------------|--|
| <code>x</code> | Numeric. A single theta value. |
| <code>b</code> | Numeric. A vector of threshold parameter values. |

References

- Masters GN (1982). “A Rasch model for partial credit scoring.” *Psychometrika*, **47**(2), 149–174.
- Andrich D (1978). “A rating formulation for ordered response categories.” *Psychometrika*, **43**(4), 561–573.

`RE`*Calculate Relative Errors***Description**

Calculate Relative Errors.

Usage

```
RE(RMSE_foc, RMSE_ref)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|-----------------------|--|
| <code>RMSE_foc</code> | A vector of RMSE values for the focal group. |
| <code>RMSE_ref</code> | A vector of RMSE values for the reference group. |

| | |
|------|--|
| RMSE | <i>Calculate Root Mean Squared Error</i> |
|------|--|

Description

Calculate Root Mean Squared Error.

Usage

```
RMSE(x, y, conditional = TRUE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------|---|
| x | A vector of values. |
| y | A vector of values. |
| conditional | If TRUE, calculate RMSE conditional on x. |

| | |
|-------------|--------------------------|
| runAssembly | <i>Run Test Assembly</i> |
|-------------|--------------------------|

Description

Perform test assembly with specified configurations. This function is used internally in [Static](#) and [Shadow](#).

Usage

```
runAssembly(config, constraints, xdata = NULL, objective = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------|---|
| config | A config_Static or a config_Shadow object containing configuration options. Use createStaticTestConfig and createShadowTestConfig for this. |
| constraints | A list representing optimization constraints. Use loadConstraints for this. |
| xdata | A list containing extra data to be used in Shadow , representing the constraints for force-including previously administered items. |
| objective | Information for each item in the pool. |

Value

A list containing the following entries:

- MIP A list containing the result from MIP solver.
- status The MIP status value, indicating whether an optimal solution was found.
- shadow_test The attributes of the selected items.
- obj_value The objective value of the solution.
- solve_time The elapsed time in running the solver.

References

van der Linden WJ (2005). *Linear Models for Optimal Test Design*. Springer Science & Business Media.

| | |
|------------|-----------------------------------|
| saveOutput | <i>Save or print audit trails</i> |
|------------|-----------------------------------|

Description

Save or print audit trails for all simulees.

Usage

```
saveOutput(object_list, file = NULL)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|-------------|---|
| object_list | A list of output objects generated from STA. |
| file | An optional file name as a character string to save the output. |

Value

None

| | |
|--------|------------------------------------|
| Shadow | <i>Run adaptive test assembly.</i> |
|--------|------------------------------------|

Description

Perform adaptive test assembly based on generalized shadow-test approach, with specified configurations.

Usage

```
Shadow(
  config,
  constraints = NULL,
  true_theta = NULL,
  data = NULL,
  prior = NULL,
  prior_par = NULL,
  session = NULL
)
## S4 method for signature 'config_Shadow'
```

```

Shadow(
  config,
  constraints = NULL,
  true_theta = NULL,
  data = NULL,
  prior = NULL,
  prior_par = NULL,
  session = NULL
)

```

Arguments

| | |
|--------------------------|--|
| <code>config</code> | A <code>config_Shadow</code> object. |
| <code>constraints</code> | A list representing optimization constraints. Use <code>loadConstraints</code> for this. |
| <code>true_theta</code> | Numeric. A vector of true theta values to be used in simulation. |
| <code>data</code> | Numeric. A matrix containing item response data. |
| <code>prior</code> | Numeric. A matrix or a vector containing priors. |
| <code>prior_par</code> | Numeric. A vector of parameters for prior distribution. |
| <code>session</code> | Used to communicate with a Shiny session. |

References

- van der Linden WJ, Reese LM (1998). “A model for optimal constrained adaptive testing.” *Applied Psychological Measurement*, **22**, 259–270.
- van der Linden WJ (1998). “Optimal assembly of psychological and educational tests.” *Applied Psychological Measurement*, **22**, 195–211.
- van der Linden WJ (2000). “Optimal assembly of tests with item sets.” *Applied Psychological Measurement*, **24**, 225–240.
- van der Linden WJ (2005). *Linear Models for Optimal Test Design*. Springer Science & Business Media.

Examples

```

config <- createShadowTestConfig()
true_theta <- rnorm(1)
solution <- Shadow(config, constraints_science, true_theta)
solution$output

```

| | |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <code>showConstraints</code> | <i>Show constraints</i> |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|

Description

Show constraints. This function is a shortcut to access `' '` slot.

Usage

```
showConstraints(constraints)
```

Arguments

`constraints` Output from [loadConstraints](#).

| | |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| <code>simResp</code> | <i>Simulate item responses</i> |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|

Description

An S4 generic and its methods to simulate responses.

Usage

```
simResp(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_1PL,numeric'
simResp(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_2PL,numeric'
simResp(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_3PL,numeric'
simResp(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_PC,numeric'
simResp(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_GPC,numeric'
simResp(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_GR,numeric'
simResp(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'item_pool,numeric'
simResp(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'pool_cluster,numeric'
simResp(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'pool_cluster,list'
simResp(object, theta)

## S4 method for signature 'pool_cluster,list'
simResp(object, theta)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------|-------------------------------|
| object | An instance of an item class. |
| theta | A vector of theta values. |

Value

Simulated responses.

References

- Rasch G (1960). *Probabilistic models for some intelligence and attainment tests*. Copenhagen: Danish Institute for Educational Research.
- Lord FM (1952). “A theory of test scores.” *Psychometric Monograph*, **7**.
- Birnbaum A (1957). “Efficient design and use of tests of mental ability for various decision-making problems (Series Report No. 58-16. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.
- Birnbaum A (1958). “On the estimation of mental ability (Series Report No. 15. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.
- Birnbaum A (1958). “Further considerations of efficiency in tests of a mental ability (Series Report No. 17. Project No. 7755-23).” Randolph Air Force Base, TX: USAF School of Aviation Medicine.
- Birnbaum A (1968). “Some latent trait models and their use in inferring an examinee’s ability.” In Lord FM, Novick MR (eds.), *Statistical Theories of Mental Test Scores*, 397–479. Addison-Wesley, Reading, MA.
- Masters GN (1982). “A Rasch model for partial credit scoring.” *Psychometrika*, **47**(2), 149–174.
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- Samejima F (1969). “Estimation of latent ability using a response pattern of graded scores.” *Psychometrika Monograph*, **17**.

Examples

```
item_1      <- new("item_1PL", difficulty = 0.5)
sim_item_1 <- simResp(item_1, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_2      <- new("item_2PL", slope = 1.0, difficulty = 0.5)
sim_item_2 <- simResp(item_2, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_3      <- new("item_3PL", slope = 1.0, difficulty = 0.5, guessing = 0.2)
sim_item_3 <- simResp(item_3, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_4      <- new("item_PC", threshold = c(-1, 0, 1), ncat = 4)
sim_item_4 <- simResp(item_4, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_5      <- new("item_GPC", slope = 1.2, threshold = c(-0.8, -1.0, 0.5), ncat = 4)
sim_item_5 <- simResp(item_5, seq(-3, 3, 1))
item_6      <- new("item_GR", slope = 0.9, category = c(-1, 0, 1), ncat = 4)
sim_item_6 <- simResp(item_6, seq(-3, 3, 1))
sim_itempool <- simResp(itempool_science, seq(-3, 3, 1))
```

Static*Run Static Test Assembly***Description**

Perform static (fixed-form) test assembly with specified configurations.

Usage

```
Static(config, constraints)

## S4 method for signature 'config_Static'
Static(config, constraints)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------|--|
| config | A <code>config_Static</code> object containing configuration options. Use createStaticTestConfig for this. |
| constraints | A list representing optimization constraints. Use loadConstraints for this. |

Value

A list containing the following entries:

- MIP A list containing the result from MIP solver.
 - solution Solution vector. Each value represents an item. A value of 1 indicates the item was selected.
 - objval Objective value of the solution.
 - status Status value indicating whether an optimal solution was found.
- selected The attributes of the selected items.
- solver The name of the MIP solver used in the assembly.
- obj_value Objective value of the solution. Identical to the one above.
- solve_time The elapsed time in running the solver.

References

van der Linden WJ (2005). *Linear Models for Optimal Test Design*. Springer Science & Business Media.

Examples

```
config_science <- createStaticTestConfig(
  list(
    method = "MAXINFO",
    target_location = c(-1, 1)
  )
```

```
)  
solution <- Static(config_science, constraints_science)
```

st_attrib-class *An S4 class to represent a set of constraints.*

Description

An S4 class to represent a set of constraints.

Slots

slope Numeric. A slope parameter value.
difficulty Numeric. A difficulty parameter value.

subsetItemPool *Create a subset of an item pool object*

Description

Create a subset of an [item_pool](#) object.

Usage

```
subsetItemPool(pool, select = NULL)
```

Arguments

pool An [item_pool](#) object.
select A vector of indices identifying the items to subset.

Examples

```
subitempool <- subsetItemPool(itempool_science, 1:100)
```

| | |
|------------|---|
| subsetTest | <i>Create a subset of a test object</i> |
|------------|---|

Description

Create a subset of a test object.

Usage

```
subsetTest(test, select = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------|-------------------------------------|
| test | An test object. |
| select | A vector of item indices to subset. |

Examples

```
test <- makeTest(itempool_science, seq(-3, 3, 1))
subtest <- subsetTest(test, 1:100)
```

| | |
|------------|--|
| test-class | <i>An S4 class to represent a test</i> |
|------------|--|

Description

An S4 class to represent a test.

Slots

| | |
|------------|--|
| pool | An item_pool object. |
| theta | A theta grid. |
| prob | A list of item response probabilities. |
| info | A matrix of item information values. |
| true_theta | An optional vector of true theta values. |
| data | An optional matrix of item responses. |

test_cluster-class *An S4 class to represent a test cluster*

Description

An S4 class to represent a test cluster from a list of `test` objects.

Slots

`nt` Numeric. A scalar to indicate the number of `test` objects to be clustered.

`tests` A list `test` objects.

`names` Character. A vector of names corresponding to the `test` objects.

theta_EAP *Calculate an EAP estimate of theta for one examinee*

Description

Calculate an expected a posterior estimate of theta for one examinee.

Usage

```
theta_EAP(theta_grid, item_parm, resp, ncat, model, prior, prior_parm)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------------------|---|
| <code>theta_grid</code> | An equi-spaced theta grid. |
| <code>item_parm</code> | A numeric matrix of item parameters. |
| <code>resp</code> | A numeric vector of item responses. |
| <code>ncat</code> | A numeric vector of the number of response categories by item. |
| <code>model</code> | A numeric vector indicating the IRT models of each item (1: 1PL, 2: 2PL, 3: 3PL, 4: PC, 5: GPC, 6: GR). |
| <code>prior</code> | The type of prior distribution (1: normal, 2: uniform). |
| <code>prior_parm</code> | A numeric vector of hyperparameters for the prior distribution, <code>c(mu, sigma)</code> or <code>c(ll, ul)</code> . |

theta_EAP_matrix *Calculate EAP estimates of theta for a group of examinees*

Description

Calculate expected a posteriori estimates of theta for a group of examinees.

Usage

```
theta_EAP_matrix(theta_grid, item_parm, Resp, ncat, model, prior, prior_parm)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------------|--|
| theta_grid | An equi-spaced theta grid. |
| item_parm | A numeric matrix of item parameters. |
| Resp | A numeric matrix of item responses. |
| ncat | A numeric vector of the number of response categories by item. |
| model | A numeric vector of the IRT model by item (1: 1PL, 2: 2PL, 3: 3PL, 4: PC, 5: GPC, 6: GR). |
| prior | The type of prior distribution (1: normal, 2: uniform). |
| prior_parm | A numeric vector of hyperparameters for the prior distribution, c(mu, sigma) or c(ll, ul). |

theta_EB *Calculate an empirical Bayes estimate of theta for one examinee*

Description

Calculate an empirical Bayes estimate of theta for one examinee.

Usage

```
theta_EB(
  nx,
  theta_init,
  theta_prop,
  item_parm,
  resp,
  ncat,
  model,
  prior,
  prior_parm
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------------------|---|
| <code>nx</code> | The number of MCMC draws. |
| <code>theta_init</code> | A value for initial estimate of theta. |
| <code>theta_prop</code> | SD of the proposal distribution. |
| <code>item_parm</code> | A numeric matrix of item parameters. |
| <code>resp</code> | A numeric vector of item responses. |
| <code>ncat</code> | A numeric vector of the number of response categories by item. |
| <code>model</code> | A numeric vector indicating the IRT models of each item (1: 1PL, 2: 2PL, 3: 3PL, 4: PC, 5: GPC, 6: GR). |
| <code>prior</code> | The type of prior distribution (1: normal, 2: uniform). |
| <code>prior_parm</code> | A numeric vector of hyperparameters for the prior distribution, <code>c(mu, sigma)</code> or <code>c(ll, ul)</code> . |

`theta_EB_single`*Calculate an empirical Bayes estimate of theta for a single item***Description**

Calculate an empirical Bayes estimate of theta for a single item.

Usage

```
theta_EB_single(
  nx,
  theta_init,
  theta_prop,
  item_parm,
  resp,
  ncat,
  model,
  prior,
  prior_parm
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------------------|--|
| <code>nx</code> | The number of MCMC draws. |
| <code>theta_init</code> | A value for initial estimate of theta. |
| <code>theta_prop</code> | SD of the proposal distribution. |
| <code>item_parm</code> | A numeric matrix of item parameters. |
| <code>resp</code> | A numeric vector of item responses. |
| <code>ncat</code> | A numeric vector of the number of response categories by item. |

| | |
|-------------------|---|
| model | A numeric vector indicating the IRT models of each item (1: 1PL, 2: 2PL, 3: 3PL, 4: PC, 5: GPC, 6: GR). |
| prior | The type of prior distribution (1: normal, 2: uniform). |
| prior_parm | A numeric vector of hyperparameters for the prior distribution, c(mu, sigma) or c(ll, ul). |

theta_FB*Calculate a fully Bayesian estimate of theta for an examinee***Description**

Calculate a fully Bayesian estimate of theta for an examinee.

Usage

```
theta_FB(
  nx,
  theta_init,
  theta_prop,
  items_list,
  item_init,
  resp,
  ncat,
  model,
  prior,
  prior_parm
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------------|---|
| nx | The number of MCMC draws. |
| theta_init | A value for initial estimate of theta. |
| theta_prop | SD of the proposal distribution. |
| items_list | A list of item_parm matrices. |
| item_init | A matrix of item parameter estimates (one row per item). |
| resp | A numeric vector of item responses. |
| ncat | A numeric vector of the number of response categories by item. |
| model | A numeric vector indicating the IRT models of each item (1: 1PL, 2: 2PL, 3: 3PL, 4: PC, 5: GPC, 6: GR). |
| prior | The type of prior distribution (1: normal, 2: uniform). |
| prior_parm | A numeric vector of hyperparameters for the prior distribution, c(mu, sigma) or c(ll, ul). |

| | |
|------------------------------|---|
| <code>theta_FB_single</code> | <i>Calculate a fully Bayesian estimate of theta for a single item</i> |
|------------------------------|---|

Description

Calculate a fully Bayesian estimate of theta for a single item.

Usage

```
theta_FB_single(
  nx,
  theta_init,
  theta_prop,
  item_mcmc,
  item_init,
  resp,
  ncat,
  model,
  prior,
  prior_parm
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------------------|---|
| <code>nx</code> | The number of MCMC draws. |
| <code>theta_init</code> | A value for initial estimate of theta. |
| <code>theta_prop</code> | SD of the proposal distribution. |
| <code>item_mcmc</code> | A matrix of sampled item parameters for a single item. |
| <code>item_init</code> | A matrix of item parameter estimates (one row per item). |
| <code>resp</code> | A numeric vector of item responses. |
| <code>ncat</code> | A numeric vector of the number of response categories by item. |
| <code>model</code> | A numeric vector indicating the IRT models of each item (1: 1PL, 2: 2PL, 3: 3PL, 4: PC, 5: GPC, 6: GR). |
| <code>prior</code> | The type of prior distribution (1: normal, 2: uniform). |
| <code>prior_parm</code> | A numeric vector of hyperparameters for the prior distribution, <code>c(mu, sigma)</code> or <code>c(ll, ul)</code> . |

updateConstraints *Update constraints*

Description

Update the constraints list

Usage

```
updateConstraints(object, on = NULL, off = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------|---|
| object | A constraints object from loadConstraints . |
| on | a vector of constraints index to turn on. |
| off | a vector of constraints index to turn off. |

Value

An updated [constraints](#) object, to be used in [Static](#) and [Shadow](#).

Examples

```
constraints_science2 <- updateConstraints(constraints_science, off = 32:36)
constraints_science3 <- updateConstraints(constraints_science, on = 32:36)
```

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