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antibiotox

Toxicity of Seven Antibiotics on Photobacteria

Description

Seven antibiotics are: Neomycin sulfate(NEO), streptomycin sulfate(STR), kanamycin sulfate(KAN), spectinomycin dihydrochloridehydrate(SPE), paromomycin sulfate(PAR), dihydrostreptomycin sesquisulfate hydrate(DIH), and gentamycin sulfate(GEN). Their toxicity on photobacteria Q67 were tested using microplate toxicity analysis.

The concentration-responses include the toxicity of seven antibiotics, two eecr mixtures, and ten mixtures designed by udcr. The curve fitting information of seven antibiotics and a total of 12 mixtures.

Usage

```
data(antibiotox)
```

Format

A list with concentration-response data of 7 antibiotics, 12 mixtures, and associated fitting information.

PAR\$x a numeric vector of concentrations

PAR\$y a numeric matrix of responses

PAR\$name name of test substance

PAR\$concNum the number of concentrations

PAR\$tierNum the number of repetitions

PAR\$type type of test substance

sgl\$model models used to fit the concentration-response data

`sgl$param` fitted coefficients of concentration-response curves
`udcr.mix$model` models used to fit the concentration-response data of `udcr` mixtures on photobacteria
`udcr.mix$param` fitted coefficients of concentration-response curves
`udcr.pct` the percentage of individual chemicals in the `udcr` mixtures
`eecr.mix$model` models used to fit the concentration-response data of `eecr` mixtures on photobacteria
`eecr.mix$param` fitted coefficients of concentration-response curves
`eecr.pct` the proportion of individual chemicals in the `eecr` mixtures

Details

Quantal responses[0, 1] are needed for curve fitting using the following six equaitons: i.e., Weibull, Logit, Hill, BCL, GL, BCW. The following equation could transform continous responses to quantal ones:

$$E = \frac{I_0 - I_i}{I_0}$$

where I_0 is the average of controls for inhibition tests or the average of the maximum effect for stimulation tests and I_i the average effect of the i^{th} treatment.

Examples

```

# example 1
## Retrieve the toxicity information of PAR on photobacteria.
antibiotox$PAR
# example 2
## Retrieve the toxicity information of two eecr mixtures on photobacteria.
antibiotox$eecr.mix
  
```

BMD	<i>Calculating benchmark dose (BMD) and lower limit of benchmark dose (BMDL)</i>
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Description

Calculation of BMD and BMDL for both quantal and continuous dose responses. Six 2- or 3-paramter models ('Hill', 'Weibull', 'Logit', 'Weibull_three', 'Hill_three', 'Logit_three') were employed for quantal dose responses. Three 4-parameter models ('Weibull_four', 'Logit_four', 'Hill_four') were employed for continuous data.

Usage

```

BMD(object, bmr = 0.10, backg = 0, def = 'additional', eq = 'as.is',
      sigLev = 0.05, ci = 'CI')
  
```

Arguments

object	object of class curveFit.
bmr	numeric vector of bench mark response levels for which to calculate benchmark doses (should be between 0 and 1)
backg	numeric value specifying the background level (defaults to 0)
def	character string specifying the definition of the benchmark dose to use in the calculations. "excess" and "additional" are for binomial response whereas "relative" and "hybrid" (additive hybrid) are for continuous response.
eq	default list of equations.
sigLev	the significance level for Dunnett's test. The default is 0.05.
ci	types of confidence intervals (CI or PI).CI: non-simultaneous confidence intervals; PI: non-simultaneous prediction intervals.

Details

Selecting the Benchmark Response Level (BMR) (<https://www.epa.gov/bmds/benchmark-dose-bmd-methods#bmr>).BMR is usually set as 0.10.

Value

bmds values of BMDL, BMD, and BMDU.

Note

three default equations (Hill, Weibull, and Logit) were used to calculate BMD for quantal dose response. Three default equations('Weibull_four', 'Logit_four', 'Hill_four') were used to calculate BMD for continuous dose response. BMD calculation is only available for monotonic dose responses in this version.

References

Benchmark Dose Technical Guidance, Risk Assessment Forum, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Washington, DC 20460, EPA/100/R-12/001, June 2012
Kennyp (2002). Critical Issues in Benchmark Calculations from Continuous Data. Crit. Rev. Toxicol., 32, 133-153.

Examples

```
## example 1
# calculate the BMD of heavy metal Ni(2+) on the MCF-7 cells
x <- cytotox$Ni$x
rspn <- cytotox$Ni$y
obj <- curveFit(x, rspn, eq = 'Logit', param = c(12, 3), effv = c(0.05, 0.5), rtype = 'quantal')
BMD(obj, bmr = 0.10, backg = 0, def = 'additional', eq = 'default', sigLev = 0.05, ci = 'CI')
```

Description

Predicting mixture toxicity based on individual concentration-response information fitted only based on the following six models: Hill, Weibull, Logit, BCW, BCL, and GL. Three optional mixture design methods are provided: (1) arbitrary concentration ratio (acr), users can set an arbitrary proportion for each component in a mixture; (2) equal effect concentration ratio (eecr); (3) uniform design concentration ratio (udcr).

Usage

```
caPred(model, param, mixType = c("acr", "eecr", "udcr"), effv, effPoints)
```

Arguments

model	vector of models: Hill, Weibull, Logit, BCW, BCL, and GL
param	numeric matrix of fitting coefficients with row names (model selected) and column names (Alpha, Beta, and Gamma). For models with only two parameters (i.e., Hill, Weibull, and Logit), Gamma can be set to zero or any other numeric value.
mixType	experimental design of the mixture. acr: arbitrary concentration ratio; eecr: equal effect concentration ratio; udcr: uniform design concentration ratio.
effv	numeric vector with single or multiple effects (0 ~ 1).
effPoints	numeric vector [0 ~ 1] of effects to predict effect concentrations.

Details

Concentration addition (CA) is designed for mixtures of chemicals that have similar mechanisms of action. For a well-defined mixture (e.g., a mixture of n components), CA is expressed mathematically as:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{c_i}{ECx_i} = 1$$

where ECx_i is the effect concentration of the i^{th} compound that causes $x\%$ effect when applied individually at c_i . The c_i can be computed from the following equation:

$$c_i = p_i \cdot c_{mix} = p_i \cdot EC_{x,mix}$$

where p_i is the proportion of i^{th} component in the mixture, c_{mix} the mixture concentration and $EC_{x,mix}$ the concentration of the mixture at a specific effect $x\%$. The prediction of combined effects of mixture-components based on CA can then be expressed as:

$$EC_{x,mix} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{p_i}{EC_{x,i}} \right)^{-1}$$

Value

ca	a series of effect concentrations predicted by CA at effPoints
e	a series of effects (effPoints) associated with the effect concentrations in ca
pct	the proportion of every component in a mixture
uniTab	the uniform design table used to construct the mixture when mixType is 'udcr'

Note

Note that effv is dependent on the mixType. if the mixType is acr, the length of effv should be the same as that of model. when a total ratio was less than 100 if the mixType is eecr, effv should contain at least one effect value (e.g., 0.5). For example, the EC50 values (10⁻⁶ mol/L) were 41.8, 238.0, 3.07, 23.4, 978.0, 32.8, 2200.0, and 1530.0 for chemical A, B, C, D, E, F, G, and H, respectively. According to their ratio of EC50 values, the proportion of the eight components in the mixture would be 0.006484, 0.06973, 0.0006581, 0.0003494, 0.1726, 0.001497, 0.6774, and 0.07131.

if the mixTpe is udcr, the length of effv is the number of levels (runs). the number of runs should be in accordance with the length of model based on the uniform design

References

Liang, Yi-zeng, Kai-tai Fang, and Qing-song Xu. 2001. Uniform Design and Its Applications in Chemistry and Chemical Engineering. *Chemometrics and Intelligent Laboratory Systems* 58(1):43-57.

Backhaus, T., Faust, M., 2012. Predictive environmental risk assessment of chemical mixtures: A conceptual framework. *Environmental Science and Technology*. 46, 2564-2573.

See Also

[iaPred](#)

Examples

```
## example 1
# using CA to predict the toxicity of mixture designed by eecr at the
# effect concentration of EC05 and EC50
# eecr mixture design is based on seven antibiotics(factors).
model <- antibiotox$sgl$model
param <- antibiotox$sgl$param
caPred(model, param, mixType = "eecr", effv = c(0.05, 0.5))

## example 2
# using CA to predict the mixtures designed by udcr
# the udcr mixture design is based on four heavy metals and four ionic liquids (eight factors).
# five levels (EC05, EC10, EC20, EC30, and EC50 ) are allocated in the uniform table using the
# pseudo-level technique (Liang et al., 2001)
model <- cytotox$sgl$model
param <- cytotox$sgl$param
effv <- c(0.05, 0.05, 0.10, 0.10, 0.20, 0.20, 0.30, 0.30, 0.50, 0.50)
caPred(model, param, mixType = "udcr", effv)
```

```
## example 3
# using CA to predict the mixtures designed by acr
# the udcr mixture design is based on five antibiotics (five factors).
# the every component in the mixture shares exactly the same ratio (0.20)
model <- antibiotox$sgl$model[1 : 5]
param <- antibiotox$sgl$param[1 : 5, ]
effv <- c(0.2, 0.2, 0.2, 0.2, 0.2)
caPred(model, param, mixType = "acr", effv)
```

CE_x*Effect Calculation for All Nineteen Curves***Description**

Calculating responses at particular concentrations.

Usage

```
CEx(model, param, conc)
```

Arguments

model	a character vector of equation names
param	a numeric matrix of fitting coefficients with rownames (equation selected) and colnames (ALpha, Beta, and Gamma). For equations with two parameters, Gamma can be set as zero or any other numeric value.
conc	a numeric vector with single or multiple concentrations.

Details

Responses will be calculated with provided equations (model), associated fitting parameters (param), and concentrations.

Value

effv	a numeric vector of effect(s)
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References

Zhu X-W, et.al. 2013. Modeling non-monotonic dose-response relationships: Model evaluation and hormetic quantities exploration. *Ecotoxicol. Environ. Saf.* 89:130-136.
 Hill equation (biochemistry) [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hill_equation_\(biochemistry\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hill_equation_(biochemistry))
 Scholze, M. et al. 2001. A General Best-Fit Method for Concentration-Response Curves and the Estimation of Low-Effect Concentrations. *Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry* 20(2):448-457.

Examples

```
## example 1
# calculate the responses of hormesis curves at the concentration of 0.1 and 0.02 mol/L
model <- hormesis$sgl$model
param <- hormesis$sgl$param
CEx(model, param, conc = c(0.1, 0.02))

## example 2
# calculate the effect caused by four heavy metals and four ionic liquids at the concentration of
# 0.00001 and 0.00002 mol/L on the MCF-7 cells
model <- cytotox$sgl$model
param <- cytotox$sgl$param
CEx(model, param, conc = c(0.00001, 0.00002))

## example 3
# calculate the response ranges
model <- hormesis$sgl$model
param <- hormesis$sgl$param
CEx(model, param, conc = c(0, 1e20))
```

curveFit

Curve Fitting

Description

Thirteen monotonic(sigmoidal) models ("Hill", "Hill_two", "Hill_three", "Hill_four", "Weibull", "Weibull_three", "Weibull_four", "Logit", "Logit_three", "Logit_four", "BCW(Box-Cox-Weibull)", "BCL(Box-Cox-Logit)", "GL(Generalized Logit)") and four non-monotonic(J-shaped) models ("Brain_Consens", "BCV", "Biphasic", "Hill_five") are provided to fit dose-response data. The goodness of fit of a model is evaluated by the following statistics: coefficient of determination (R^2), adjusted coefficient of determination (R_{adj}^2), root mean squared error (RMSE), mean absolute error (MAE), Akaike information criterion (AIC), bias-corrected Akaike information criterion(AICc), and Bayesian information criterion (BIC).

Usage

```
curveFit(x, rspn, eq , param, effv, rtype = 'quantal', sigLev = 0.05, ...)
```

Arguments

x	a numeric vector of experimental concentration.
rspn	a numeric matrix of experimental responses with one or more replicates.
eq	equation used for curve fitting: "Hill", "Hill_two", "Hill_three", "Hill_four", "Weibull", "Weibull_three", "Weibull_four", "Logit", "Logit_three", "Logit_four", "BCW", "BCL", "GL", "Brain_Consens", "BCV", "Biphasic", "Hill_five".
param	a vector of starting parameters. Use tuneFit to get the starting values.

effv	a numeric vector of responses for the calculation of effect concentrations. Minus values(e.g., -5%) are permitted only in the condition of 'hormesis' dose-responses. Relative values(e.g., 5%, 10%) in the condition of 'continuous' dose-responses.
rtype	three dose-response types: 'quantal', 'continuous', 'hormesis'. Default is 'quantal'. 'quantal': dose-responses with lower limit fixed at 0 and higher limit at 1 (100) 'continuous': dose-responses with no fixed lower or higher limits. 'hormesis': non-monotonic J or U-shaped dose-responses with lower limit fixed at 0 and higher limit at 1 (100%).
sigLev	the significant level for confidence intervals and Dunnett's test. Default is 0.05.
...	other arguments passed to nlsLM in minpack.lm.

Details

Curve fitting is dependent on the package `minpack.lm` (<http://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/minpack.lm/index.html>). Monotonic(sigmoidal) equations are as follows:

Hill:

$$E = 1 / (1 + (\alpha/c)^\beta)$$

Hill_two:

$$E = \beta c / (\alpha + c)$$

Hill_three:

$$E = \gamma / (1 + (\alpha/c)^\beta)$$

Hill_four:

$$E = \delta + (\gamma - \delta) / (1 + (\alpha/c)^\beta)$$

where α = EC50, β = H (Hill coefficient), γ = Top, and δ = Bottom

Weibull:

$$E = 1 - \exp(-\exp(\alpha + \beta \log(c)))$$

Weibull_three:

$$E = \gamma (1 - \exp(-\exp(\alpha + \beta \log(c))))$$

Weibull_four:

$$E = \gamma + (\delta - \gamma) \exp(-\exp(\alpha + \beta \log(c)))$$

Logit:

$$E = (1 + \exp(-\alpha - \beta \log(c)))^{-1}$$

Logit_three:

$$E = \gamma / (1 + \exp((- \alpha) - \beta \log(c)))$$

Logit_four:

$$E = \delta + (\gamma - \delta) / (1 + \exp((- \alpha) - \beta \log(c)))$$

where α is the location parameter and β slope parameter. γ = Top, and δ = Bottom

BCW:

$$E = 1 - \exp\left(-\exp\left(\alpha + \beta\left(\frac{c^\gamma - 1}{\gamma}\right)\right)\right)$$

BCL:

$$E = (1 + \exp(-\alpha - \beta((c^\gamma - 1)/\gamma)))^{-1}$$

GL:

$$E = 1/(1 + \exp(-\alpha - \beta \log(c)))^\gamma$$

Non-monotonic(J-shaped) models:

Hill_five:

$$E = 1 - \left(1 + (\gamma - 1) / \left(1 + (\alpha/c)^\beta\right)\right) \left(1 - 1 / (1 + (\delta/c)^\epsilon)\right)$$

Brain_Consens:

$$E = 1 - (1 + \alpha c) / (1 + \exp(\beta \gamma) c^\beta)$$

where α is the initial rate of increase at low concentration, β the way in which response decreases with concentration, and γ no simple interpretation.

BCV:

$$E = 1 - \alpha (1 + \beta c) / \left(1 + (1 + 2\beta \gamma) (c/\gamma)^\delta\right)$$

where α is untreated control, β the initial rate of increase at low concentration, γ the concentration cause 50% inhibition, and δ no simple interpretation.

Cedergreen:

$$E = 1 - (1 + \alpha \exp(-1/(c^\beta))) / (1 + \exp(\gamma (\ln(c) - \ln(\delta))))$$

where α the initial rate of increase at low concentration, β the rate of hormetic effect manifests itself, γ the steepness of the curve after maximum hormetic effect, and δ the lower bound on the EC50 level.

Beckon:

$$E = (\alpha + (1 - \alpha) / (1 + (\beta/c)^\gamma)) / (1 + (c/\delta)^\epsilon)$$

where α is the minimum effect that would be approached by the downslope in the absence of the upslope, β the concentration at the midpoint of the falling slope, γ the steepness of the rising(positive) slope, δ the concentration at the midpoint of the rising slope, and ϵ the steepness of the falling(negative) slope.

Biphasic:

$$E = \alpha - \alpha / \left(1 + 10^{((c-\beta)\gamma)}\right) + (1 - \alpha) / \left(1 + 10^{((\delta-c)\epsilon)}\right)$$

where α is the minimum effect that would be approached by the downslope in the absence of the upslope, β the concentration at the midpoint of the falling slope, γ the steepness of the rising(positive) slope, δ the concentration at the midpoint of the rising slope, and ϵ the steepness of the falling(negative) slope.

In all, E represents effect and c represents concentration.

Value

fitInfo	curve fitting information.
eq	equation used in curve fitting.
p	fitted parameters.
res	residual.
sta	goodness of fit.
crcInfo	a numeric matrix with the experimental concentration (x), predicted and experimental responses, experimental responses, lower and upper bounds of (non-simultaneous) prediction intervals (PI.low and PI.up), and lower and upper bounds of (non-simultaneous) confidence intervals (CI.low and CI.up).
ecx	effect concentrations only if effv is provided.
effvAbs	Absolute effects corresponding to effv only in the condition of 'continuous' dose-responses.
rtype	dose-response type.
rspnRange	response range. The lower limit is the response at extremely low dose. The higher limit is the response at infinite high dose.
minx	concentration to induce the maximum stimulation for 'continuous' dose-response
miny	the maximum stimulation for 'continuous' data.

Note

tuneFit is recommended to find the starting values.

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- Huet, S., Bouvier, A., Poursat, M.-A., Jolivet, E., 2004. Statistical tools for nonlinear regression: a practical guide with S-PLUS and R examples. Springer Science & Business Media.
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Examples

```
## example 1
# Fit hormesis dose-response data.
# Calculate the concentrations that cause 5% of 50% inhibition.
```

```

x <- hormesis$OmimCl$x
rspn <- hormesis$OmimCl$y
curveFit(x, rspn, eq = 'Biphasic', param = c(-0.34, 0.001, 884, 0.01, 128),
effv = 0.5, rtype = 'hormesis')

x <- hormesis$HmimCl$x
rspn <- hormesis$HmimCl$y
curveFit(x, rspn, eq = 'Biphasic', param = c(-0.59, 0.001, 160,0.05, 19),
effv = c(0.05, 0.5), rtype = 'hormesis')

x <- hormesis$ACN$x
rspn <- hormesis$ACN$y
curveFit(x, rspn, eq = 'Brain_Consens', param = c(2.5, 2.8, 0.6, 2.44),
effv = c(0.05, 0.5), rtype = 'hormesis')

x <- hormesis$Acetone$x
rspn <- hormesis$Acetone$y
curveFit(x, rspn, eq = 'BCV', param = c(1.0, 3.8, 0.6, 2.44), effv = c(0.05, 0.5),
rtype = 'hormesis')

## example 2
# Fit quantal dose-responses: the inhibition of heavy metal Ni(2+) on the growth of MCF-7 cells.
# Calculate the concentrations that cause 5% and 50% inhibition.
x <- cytotox$Ni$x
rspn <- cytotox$Ni$y
curveFit(x, rspn, eq = 'Logit', param = c(12, 3), effv = c(0.05, 0.5), rtype = 'quantal')

## example 3
# Fit quantal dose-responses: the inhibition effect of Paromomycin Sulfate (PAR) on photobacteria.
# Calculate the concentrations that cause 5% and 50% inhibition.
x <- antibiotox$PAR$x
rspn <- antibiotox$PAR$y
curveFit(x, rspn, eq = 'Logit', param = c(26, 4), effv = c(0.05, 0.5))

```

cytotox

Cytotoxicity of Heavy Metal Ions and Ionic Liquids on MCF-7

Description

Chemicals include four heavy metal ions: $\text{NiNO}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (Ni), $\text{ZnSO}_4 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (Zn), $\text{CuSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (Cu), and $\text{MnCl}_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (Mn); four ionic liquids are 1-Octyl-3-methylimidazolium chloride (Omim), 1-Dodecyl-3-methylimidazolium chloride (Dmim), 1-Ethyl-3-methylimidazolium tetrafluoroborate (Emim), and 1-Hexyl-3-Methylimidazolium tetrafluoroborate (Hmim).

The concentration-response data include the cytotoxicity of eight compounds, two mixtures designed by eecr, and ten mixtures designed by udcr.

The fitting information of eight chemicals and a total of 12 mixtures.

Usage

```
data(cytotox)
```

Format

A list with concentration-response data of 8 chemicals, 2 eecr mixtures, 10 udcr mixtures, and associated fitting information.

Ni\$x a numeric vector of test concentrations

Ni\$y a numeric matrix of responses

Ni\$name test substances

Ni\$concNum the number of test concentrations

Ni\$tierNum the number of repetitions

Ni\$type type of test substance: single chemicals or mixtures

sgl\$model models used to fit the concentration-response data of individual chemicals

sgl\$param fitted coefficients of concentration-response curves

udcr.mix\$model models used to fit the concentration-response data of udcr mixtures

udcr.mix\$param fitted coefficients of the concentration-response curves corresponding to udcr.mix\$model

\$udcr.pct the proportion of individual chemicals in udcr mixtures

Details

Quantal responses[0, 1] are needed for curve fitting using the following six equaitons: i.e., Weibull, Logit, Hill, BCL, GL, BCW. The following equation could transform continous responses to quantal ones:

$$E = \frac{I_0 - I_i}{I_0}$$

where I_0 is the average of controls for inhibition tests or the average of the maximum effect for stimulation tests and I_i the average effect of the i^{th} treatment.

Source

The cytotoxicity experiments were conducted in our lab

Examples

```
# example 1
## Retrieve the toxicity data of Ni on MCF-7.
cytotox$Ni

# example 2
## Retrieve the toxicity information of ten udcr mixtures on MCF-7.
cytotox$udcr.mix
```

DTcv *critical value for Dunnett's test*

Description

DTcv provides the critical constants calculated based step-down Dunnett test procedure. Three significance level (0.01, 0.05, and 0.1) each with two alternative hypothesis ("U"=upper one-sided test; "B"=two-sided test) are supported.

Usage

```
data(DTcv)
```

Format

at most 30 treatments (1 : 30), and 35 degree of freedom(c(5 : 30, 40, 50, 60, 80, 100, 120, 200, 1000, 3000)).

DTcv a matrix of critical value for Dunnett's test

Details

```
> head(DTcv)
df p twoside.01 twoside.05 twoside.10 onside.01 onside.05 onside.10
[1,] 5 1 4.032 2.571 2.015 3.365 2.015 1.476
[2,] 5 2 4.627 3.030 2.433 3.900 2.440 1.873
[3,] 5 3 4.948 3.294 2.669 4.225 2.681 2.095
[4,] 5 4 5.218 3.474 2.831 4.434 2.848 2.245
[5,] 5 5 5.416 3.616 2.956 4.585 2.974 2.360
[6,] 5 6 5.538 3.727 3.055 4.723 3.080 2.451
df: degree of freedom; p: the number of treatment.
```

Source

The critical constants (store in DTcv) were calculated using step-down Dunnett test procedure(the cvSDDT function in R package DunnettTests).

ecaPred *Mixture Effect Predicted by CA at Particular Concentration of a Mixture*

Description

According to the fitted concentration-response information of mixtures. The concentration (e.g., ECx) that causes certain effect in the mixture will be calculated. ecaPred will predict how much effect will be caused at ECx according to concentration addition. The individual concentration-responses should be fitted only based on the following six models: Hill, Weibull, Logit, BCW, BCL, and GL.

Usage

```
ecaPred(effv, sgl, mix, pctMix)
```

Arguments

effv	numeric vector with single or multiple effect values (0 ~ 1).
sgl	A list with sgl\$model and sgl\$param. sgl\$model is character vector of equations used to fit the concentration-response data of individual chemicals: Hill, Weibull, Logit, BCW, BCL, GL. sgl\$param is numeric matrix of fitting coefficients with rownames (equations) and colnames (Alpha, Beta, and Gamma). For equations with only two parameters, Gamma can be set as zero or any other numeric value.
mix	A list with mix\$model and mix\$param. mix\$model is character vector of equations used to fit the concentration-response data of mixtures: Hill, Weibull, Logit, BCW, BCL, GL. mix\$param is numeric matrix of fitting coefficients of mixtures' concentration-response data with rownames (selected equations) and colnames (Alpha, Beta, and Gamma). For equations with only two parameters, Gamma can be set as zero or any other numeric value.
pctMix	A numeric matrix, the concentration ratio (percent) of every component in the mixture.

Details

ecaPred calculate the effect concentrations based on the fitted concentration-response information of the mixture according to the input effects effv (e.g., 0.05 and 0.5). The concentration of individual component c_i is computed based on mixture's EC_x and the proportion of component in the mixture p_i . Then the CA effect will be calculated based on the concentration addition.

Value

A numeric matrix of predicted effects

See Also

[eiaPred](#)

Examples

```
## example
# predict the CA predicted response at the concentrations that cause 5%, 10%, 20%, and 50%
# effect of antibiotic mixtures
# each mixture contains eight components. Totally, there are 10 mixtures designed by the udcr.

sgl <- antibiotox$sgl
mix <- antibiotox$udcr.mix
pct <- antibiotox$udcr.pct
ecaPred(effv = c(0.05, 0.1, 0.20, 0.5), sgl, mix, pct)
```

Description

Effect concentrations are calculated at particular effects based on the fitting coefficients of 13 sigmoidal models.

Usage

```
ECx(model, param, effv, rtype = 'quantal', Scaled = TRUE)
```

Arguments

model	a character vector of equations:("Hill", "Hill_two", "Hill_three", "Hill_four", "Weibull", "Weibull_three", "Weibull_four", "Logit", "Logit_three", "Logit_four", "BCW(Box-Cox-Weibull)", "BCL(Box-Cox-Logit)", "GL(Generalized Logit)")
param	a numeric matrix of fitting coefficients with rownames (equations) and colnames (Alpha, Beta, Gamma, Delta, and Epsilon).
effv	a numeric vector with single or multiple effect values
rtype	the response type of endpoint: 'continuous' or 'quantal' data.
Scaled	only for 'continuous' data. To indicate if the effv is scaled by response ranges to 0~1 or not (default is TRUE).

Details

effect concentrations will be calculated with provided equations (model), associated fitting parameters (param), and effect levels (effv). For example, *effv* should be 0.5 if we want to calculate a concentration causes 50% effect.

The inverse functions of the six quantal sigmoidal equations are listed as follows:

inverse Hill_two:

$$c = \beta E / (\alpha - E)$$

inverse Weibull:

$$c = 10^{(\ln(-\ln(1-E))-\alpha)/\beta}$$

inverse Logit:

$$c = 10^{(\ln(E/(1-E))-\alpha)/\beta}$$

inverse BCW:

$$c = ((\gamma/\beta)(\ln(-\ln(1-E)) - \alpha) + 1)^{1/\gamma}$$

inverse BCL:

$$c = ((\gamma/\beta)(-\ln((1-E)/E) - \alpha) + 1)^{1/\gamma}$$

inverse GL:

$$c = 10^{((-\ln((1/E)^{1/\gamma}-1)-\alpha)/\beta)}$$

where *E* is effect and *c* is the concentration.

Value

ecx a numeric vector of effect concentration(s)

effvAbs absolute effect levels. Only for 'continuous' data with scaled effv. The corresponding absolute effect is calculated.

References

Hill equation (biochemistry) [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hill_equation_\(biochemistry\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hill_equation_(biochemistry))
Reference to curveFit

Examples

```
## example 1
# calculate EC5 and EC50 of seven antibiotics on the photobacteria
model <- antibiotox$sgl$model
param <- antibiotox$sgl$param
effv <- c(0.05, 0.5)
ECx(model, param, effv = c(0.05, 0.50))

## example 2
# calculate EC5 and EC50 of four heavy metals and four ionic liquids on the MCF-7 cells
model <- cytotox$sgl$model
param <- cytotox$sgl$param
ECx(model, param, effv = c(0.05, 0.50), rtype = 'quantal')
```

eiaPred *Mixture Effect Predicted by IA at Particular Concentration of a Mixture*

Description

According to the fitted concentration-response information of mixtures. The concentration (e.g., ECx) that causes certain effect in the mixture will be calculated. eiaPred will predict how much effect will be caused at those concentrations according to independent action. The individual concentration-responses should be fitted only based on the following six models: Hill, Weibull, Logit, BCW, BCL, and GL.

Usage

```
eiaPred(effv, sgl, mix, pctMix)
```

Arguments

effv numeric vector with single or multiple effect values (0 ~ 1).

sgl	A list with sgl\$model and sgl\$param. sgl\$model is character vector of equations used to fit the concentration-response data of individual chemicals: Hill, Weibull, Logit, BCW, BCL, GL. sgl\$param is numeric matrix of fitting coefficients with rownames (selected equations) and colnames (Alpha, Beta, and Gamma). For equations with only two parameters, Gamma can be set as zero or any other numeric value.
mix	A list with mix\$model and mix\$param. mix\$model is character vector of equations used to fit the concentration-response data of mixtures: Hill, Weibull, Logit, BCW, BCL, GL. mix\$param is numeric matrix of fitting coefficients of mixtures' concentration-response data with rownames (equations) and colnames (Alpha, Beta, and Gamma). For equations with two parameters, Gamma can be set as zero or any other numeric value.
pctMix	A numeric matrix, the concentration ratio (percent) of every component in the mixture.

Details

eiaPred calculate the effect concentrations based on the fitted concentration-response information of the mixture according to the input effects effv (e.g., 0.05 and 0.5). The concentration of individual component c_i is computed based on mixture's EC_x and the proportion of component in the mixture p_i . Then the IA effect will be calculated based on the independent action.

Value

A numeric matrix of predicted effects

See Also

[ecaPred](#)

Examples

```
## example 1
# predict the IA predicted response (cytotoxicity) at the concentrations that cause 10% and 50%
# effect of an mixture.
# each mixture contains eight components. Totally, there are 10 mixtures designed by the udcr.

sgl <- cytotox$sgl
mix <- cytotox$udcr.mix
pct <- cytotox$udcr.pct
eiaPred(effv = c(0.1, 0.5), sgl, mix, pct)

## example 2
# predict the IA predicted response at the concentrations that cause 5% and 50% effect
# of antibiotic mixtures.
# each mixture contains eight components. Totally, there are 2 mixtures designed by the eecr.

sgl <- antibiotox$sgl
mix <- antibiotox$eecr.mix
pct <- antibiotox$eecr.pct
```

```

eiaPred(effv = c(0.05, 0.5), sgl, mix, pct)

## example 2
# predict the IA predicted response at the concentrations that cause 5%, 10%, 20%, and
# 50% effect of antibiotic mixtures.
# each mixture contains eight components. Totally, there are 10 mixtures designed by the udcr.

sgl <- antibiotox$sgl
mix <- antibiotox$udcr.mix
pct <- antibiotox$udcr.pct
eiaPred(effv = c(0.05, 0.10, 0.20, 0.5), sgl, mix, pct)

```

figPlot

Plotting concentration response curve

Description

Plotting concentration response curves with/without confidence intervals.

Usage

```
figPlot(object, logT = TRUE, xlabel = "concentration (mol/L)", ylabel = "Response",
        ylimit, lgd = NULL)
```

Arguments

object	object of class curveFit.
logT	logarithm transformation on concentration: TRUE or FALSE(default if TRUE).
xlabel, ylabel	plot labels.
ylimit	range of the y axis.
lgd	legend of the plot.

Details

Plot the concentration response curves, experimental data, CI, and PI in one figure.

Examples

```

## example 1
#
x <- antibiotox$PAR$x
expr <- antibiotox$PAR$y
obj <- curveFit(x, expr, eq = 'Logit', rtype = 'quantal', param = c(26, 4), effv = c(0.05, 0.5))
figPlot(obj)

## example 2
#
x <- hormesis$HmimCl$x

```

```

rspn <- hormesis$HmimCl$y
obj <- curveFit(x, rspn, eq = 'Biphasic', param = c(-0.59, 0.001, 160, 0.05, 19),
  effv = c(0.05, 0.5), rtype = 'hormesis')
figPlot(obj, logT = TRUE)

```

gcaHill

*Mixture Toxicity Prediction Using GCA (Hill_two)***Description**

Predict the mixture toxicity based on individual concentration-response information fitted by Hill_two equation. An explicit formula for gca prediction were used instead of the dichotomy algorithm in gcaPred. Three optional mixture design methods are provided. One is the arbitrary concentration ratio (acr) for mixture components.

Users can deign random ratios for components in the mixture. Other two options are equal effect concentration ratio (eocr) and uniform design concentration ratio (udcr).

Usage

```
gcaHill(model, param, mixType, effv, refEffv = c(0.10, 0.50), rtype)
```

Arguments

model	character vector of equation names, just Hill_two
param	numeric matrix of fitting coefficients with rownames (equations) and colnames (Alpha, Beta).
mixType	experimental design of the mixture. acr: arbitrary concentration ratio; eocr: equal effect concentration ratio; udcr: uniform design concentration ratio.
effv	numeric vector with single or multiple (scaled) effect values (0 ~ 1).
refEffv	to determine the concentration ranges for predicting effect. Use scaled values (0 ~ 1).
rtype	the response type of endpoint: 'continuous' or 'quantal' data.

Details

The generalized concentration addition (GCA) model was proposed by Howard and Webster to predict mixtures containing partial agonists (Howard and Webster, 2009). Empirical data are used to fit concentration-response function, and then predict the mixture response using the inverse function.

$$E_{mix}^{GCA} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\alpha_i c_i}{K_i}}{1 + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{c_i}{K_i}}$$

where c_i is the concentration of component i in the mixture. Parameter α_i and K_i are fitted coefficient of i^{th} component, which are the same as β and α in Hill_two equation. Right, the α_i and K_i are corresponding to β and α in Hill_two equation.

Value

x	a series of concentrations
e	a series of effects caused by the concentrations (x) as predicted by gca
pct	the concentration ratio (percent) of every component in the mixture
uniTab	the uniform design table used to construct the mixture when mixType is udcr

Note

Only for concentration-response curves fitted by the Hill_two equation in curveFit.

References

- Howard, G.J., Schlezinger, J.J., Hahn, M.E., Webster, T.F., 2010. Generalized Concentration Addition Predicts Joint Effects of Aryl Hydrocarbon Receptor Agonists with Partial Agonists and Competitive Antagonists. *Environ. Health Perspect.* 118, 666-672.
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See Also

[gcaPred](#)

Examples

```

model <- c("Hill_two", "Hill_two", "Hill_two", "Hill_two")
param <- matrix(c(3.94e-5, 0.97, 0, 5.16e-4, 1.50, 0, 3.43e-6, 1.04, 0, 9.18e-6, 0.77, 0),
nrow = 4, ncol = 3, byrow = TRUE)
rownames(param) <- c('Ni', 'Zn', 'Cu', 'Mn')
colnames(param) <- c('Alpha', 'Beta', 'Gamma')
## example 1
# using GCA to predict the mixtures designed by equal effect concentration ratio (eocr) at
# the effect concentration of EC05 and EC50
# the eocr mixture design is based on four heavy metals (four factors).
gcaHill(model, param, mixType = "eocr", effv = c(0.05, 0.5), rtype = 'continuous')

## example 2
# using GCA to predict the mixtures designed by uniform design concentration ratio (udcr)
# the udcr mixture design is based on four heavy metals (four factors).
# Seven levels (EC05, EC10, EC15, EC20, EC25, EC30, and EC50 ) are allocated in
# the uniform table
effv <- c(0.05, 0.10, 0.15, 0.20, 0.25, 0.30, 0.50)
gcaHill(model, param, mixType = "udcr", effv, rtype = 'quantal')

## example 3
# using GCA to predict the mixtures designed by arbitrary concentration ratio (acr)
# the udcr mixture design is based on four heavy metals (four factors).
# the every component in the mixture shares exactly the same ratio (0.25)

```

```
effv <- c(0.25, 0.25, 0.25, 0.25)
gcaHill(model, param, mixType = "acr", effv)
```

gcaPred

Mixture Toxicity Prediction Using GCA (General)

Description

Predict the mixture toxicity based on individual concentration-response information. Thirteen monotonic(sigmoidal) models ("Hill", "Hill_two", "Hill_three", "Hill_four", "Weibull", "Weibull_three", "Weibull_four", "Logit", "Logit_three", "Logit_four", "BCW(Box-Cox-Weibull)", "BCL(Box-Cox-Logit)", "GL(Generalized Logit)") are incorporated to construct the GCA equation. The dichotomy technique is used to solve the constructed equation. Three optional mixture design methods are provided. One is the arbitrary concentration ratio (acr) for mixture components. Users can arbitrarily design a random ratio for each component in the mixture. Other two options are equal effect concentration ratio (eacr) and uniform design concentration ratio (udcr).

Usage

```
gcaPred(model, param, mixType, effv, refEffv, rtype, lb, ub)
```

Arguments

model	vector of equation names
param	numeric matrix of fitting coefficients with rownames (equation selected) and colnames (ALpha, Beta, and Gamma). For equations with two parameters, Gamma can be set as zero or any other numeric value.
mixType	experimental design of the mixture. acr: arbitrary concentration ratio; eacr: equal effect concentration ratio; uacr: uniform design concentration ratio.
effv	numeric vector with single or multiple (scaled) effect values (0 ~ 1).
refEffv	to determine the concentration ranges for predicting effect. Use scaled values (0 ~ 1).
lb	lower bound for solving constructed IA using dichotomy method (default is 1E-9).
ub	upper bound for solving constructed IA using dichotomy method (default is 9).
rtype	the response type of endpoint: 'continuous' or 'quantal' data.

Details

The generalized concentration addition (GCA) model was proposed by Howard and Webster to predict mixtures containing partial agonists (Howard and Webster, 2009).

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{c_i}{f_i^{-1}(E)} = 1$$

Empirical data were used to fit concentration-response function, and then predict the mixture response using the inverse function. Previous studies used Hill_two function to fit individual concentration response curves in the GCA prediction (Hadrup et al., 2013; Howard et al., 2010). Here, we incorporated thirteen functions to construct the GCA equation and the dichotomy technique is used to solve the constructed equation.

Value

x	a series of concentrations
e	a series of effects caused by the concentrations (x) as predicted by gca
pct	the concentration ratio (percent) of every component in the mixture
uniTab	the uniform design table used to construct the mixture when mixType is udcr

References

- Howard, G.J., Schlezinger, J.J., Hahn, M.E., Webster, T.F., 2010. Generalized Concentration Addition Predicts Joint Effects of Aryl Hydrocarbon Receptor Agonists with Partial Agonists and Competitive Antagonists. *Environ. Health Perspect.* 118, 666-672.
- Howard, G.J., Webster, T.F., 2009. Generalized concentration addition: A method for examining mixtures containing partial agonists. *J. Theor. Biol.* 259, 469-477.

See Also

[gcaHill](#)

Examples

```
## example 1
# using GCA to predict the mixtures designed by equal effect concentration ratio (eecr) at the
# effect concentration of EC50
# the eecr mixture design is based on seven antibiotics(seven factors).
model <- antibiotox$sgl$model
param <- antibiotox$sgl$param
refEffv <- c(0.1, 0.50, 0.80)
gcaPred(model, param, mixType = "eecr", effv = 0.5, refEffv, rtype = 'quantal')

## example 2
# using GCA to predict the mixtures designed by uniform design concentration ratio (udcr)
# the udcr mixture design is based on 2 antibiotics(2 factors) and
# three levels (EC05, EC20, and EC50 )
model <- antibiotox$sgl$model[1 : 2]
param <- antibiotox$sgl$param[1 : 2, ]
effv <- c(0.05, 0.20, 0.50)
refEffv <- c(0.1, 0.80)
gcaPred(model, param, mixType = "udcr", effv, refEffv, rtype = 'quantal')

## example 3
# using GCA to predict the mixtures designed by arbitrary concentration ratio (acr)
# the udcr mixture design is based on 2 heavy metals (2 factors).
# the every component in the mixture shares exactly the same ratio (0.5)
```

```

model <- cytotox$sgl$model[1 : 2]
param <- cytotox$sgl$param[1 : 2, ]
effv <- c(0.5, 0.5)
refEffv <- c(0.1, 0.80)
gcaPred(model, param, mixType = "acr", effv, refEffv, rtype = 'quantal')

```

getCI

Calculating Confidence Intervals

Description

calculating non-simultaneous confidence intervals and prediction intervals

Usage

```
getCI(object, effv, Scaled = TRUE, sigLev = 0.05)
```

Arguments

object	object of class curveFit.
effv	numeric matrix of experimental responses with at least three replicates.
Scaled	indicating if effv was scaled or not(TRUE/FALSE) in continuous dose-response (rtype = 'continuous')
sigLev	significance level(default is 0.05).

Details

The Delta method (Dybowski et al, 2001) is used to construct confidence intervals for predicted responses.

Value

xmat	effect concentration(s) and corresponding CIs and PIs
emat	effect(s) and and corresponding CIs and PIs

References

Zhu, X.-W. and Chen, J.-Y. (2016). mixtox: An R Package for Mixture Toxicity Assessment. R Journal, 8(2).

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Examples

```
## example 1
x <- cytotox$Ni$x
rspn <- cytotox$Ni$y
obj <- curveFit(x, rspn, eq = 'Logit', param = c(12, 3), effv = c(0.05, 0.5), rtype = 'quantal')
getCI(obj, effv = c(0.05, 0.50))
```

hormesis

Non-monotonic Concentration-response Data

Description

Two ionic liquids: 1-Octyl-3-methylimidazolium chloride (Omim) and 1-Hexyl-3-Methylimidazolium tetrafluoroborate (Hmim). Two organic solvents: Acetonitrile(ACN) and acetone.

The concentration-response data include the effect of these four compounds on firefly luciferase. Those concentration-responses were fitted using non-monotonic models.

Usage

```
data(hormesis)
```

Format

A list with non-monotonic concentration-responses of four chemicals and associated fitting information.

OmimCl\$x a numeric vector of concentrations

OmimCl\$y a numeric matrix of responses

OmimCl\$name name of test substance

OmimCl\$concNum the number of concentrations

OmimCl\$tierNum the number of repetitions

OmimCl\$type type of test substance

sgl\$model model used to fit the concentration-response data

sgl\$param fitted coefficients of those curves corresponding to sgl\$model

sgl\$minx numeric vector with multiple concentrations that induce maximum stimulation

sgl\$miny the largest stimulation

Details

The non-monotonic concentration-responses need to be scaled into [0, 1] using the following equation:

$$E = \frac{I_0 - I_i}{I_0}$$

where I_0 is the average of controls for inhibition test or the average of the maximum effect for the stimulation test and I_i the average effect of the i^{th} treatment.

Source

Experiments were conducted in our lab. Detailed description can be found in references

References

Zhu X-W, et.al. 2013. Modeling non-monotonic dose-response relationships: Model evaluation and hormetic quantities exploration. *Ecotoxicol. Environ. Saf.* 89:130-136.

Examples

```
#example 1
## Retrieve the toxicity data of acetonitrile on firefly luciferase.
hormesis$ACN

#example 2
## Retrieve the minx of OmimCl, HmimCl, ACN, and Acetone
hormesis$sgl$minx
```

 iaPred

Mixture Toxicity Prediction Based on Independent Action

Description

Predict the mixture toxicity based on individual concentration-response information fitted only based on the following six models: Hill, Weibull, Logit, BCW, BCL, and GL. Three optional mixture design methods are provided: (1) arbitrary concentration ratio (acr), users can set an arbitrary proportion for each component in a mixture; (2) equal effect concentration ratio (eacr); (3) uniform design concentration ratio (udcr).

Usage

```
iaPred(model, param, mixType, effv, effPoints, lb = 1e-9, ub = 6)
```

Arguments

model	character vector of models: Hill, Weibull, Logit, BCW, BCL, GL
param	numeric matrix of fitting coefficients with row names (selected equations) and column names (Alpha, Beta, and Gamma). For equations with two parameters, Gamma can be set to zero or any other numeric value.
mixType	experimental design of the mixture. acr: arbitrary concentration ratio; eacr: equal effect concentration ratio; udcr: uniform design concentration ratio.
effv	numeric vector with single or multiple effect values
effPoints	numeric vector [0 ~ 1] to predict effect concentrations.
lb	lower bound for solving constructed IA using dichotomy method.
ub	upper bound bound for solving constructed IA using dichotomy method.

Details

IA is designed for mixtures of chemicals that have distinct mechanisms of action. The IA model is commonly defined as:

$$E(c_{mix}) = 1 - (1 - E(c_1))(1 - E(c_2)) \cdots (1 - E(c_n)) = 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - E(c_i))$$

where $E(c_{mix})$ is the overall effect caused by c_{mix} , and $E(c_i)$ is the effect elicited by c_i when applied individually. For a fitted function f_i based on the concentration-response data of the i^{th} component, $E(c_i)$ is equal to $f_i(c_i)$. When $E(c_{mix}) = x$, the equation can be expressed as:

$$x\% = 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - f_i(p_i(EC_{x,mix})))$$

This equation can be used to predict the combined effects of mixture-components based on IA. The dichotomy technique is used to solve the constructed equation.

Value

ia	a series of effect concentrations predicted by IA
e	a series of effects (effPoints) associated with the effect concentrations in ia
pct	the proportion of every component in a mixture
uniTab	the uniform design table to construct the mixture when mixType is 'udcr'

Note

Note that effv is dependent on the mixType. if the mixType is acr, the length of effv should be the same as that of model. when a total ratio was less than 100 if the mixType is eecr, effv should contain at least one value if the mixType is udcr, elements in effv are levels, the length of effv is the same as the number of runs. the number of runs should be in accordance with the length of model based on the uniform design.

References

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- Backhaus, T., Faust, M., 2012. Predictive environmental risk assessment of chemical mixtures: A conceptual framework. *Environmental Science and Technology*. 46, 2564-2573.

See Also

[caPred](#)

Examples

```

# data(cytotox)

## example 1
# using IA to predict the mixtures designed by equal effect concentration ratio (eocr) at the
# effect concentration of EC05 and EC50
# the eocr mixture design is based on four heavy metals and four ion liquids(eight factors).
model <- cytotox$sgl$model
param <- cytotox$sgl$param
iaPred(model, param, mixType = "eocr", effv = c(0.05, 0.5))

## example 2
# using IA to predict the mixtures designed by uniform design concentration ratio (udcr)
# the uocr mixture design is based on seven antibiotics (seven factors).
# five levels (EC05, EC10, EC20, EC30, and EC50 ) are allocated in the uniform table using the
# pseudo-level technique (Liang et al., 2001)
model <- antibiotox$sgl$model
param <- antibiotox$sgl$param
effv <- c(0.05, 0.05, 0.10, 0.10, 0.20, 0.20, 0.30, 0.30, 0.50, 0.50)
iaPred(model, param, mixType = "udcr", effv)

## example 3
# using IA to predict the mixtures designed by arbitrary concentration ratio (acr)
# the uocr mixture design is based on four antibiotics (four factors).
# the every component in the mixture shares exactly the same ratio (0.25)
model <- antibiotox$sgl$model[1 : 4]
param <- antibiotox$sgl$param[1 : 4, ]
effv <- c(0.25, 0.25, 0.25, 0.25)
iaPred(model, param, mixType = "acr", effv)

```

jacobian

Jacobian Matrix Calculation

Description

calculating the Jacobian matrix for confidence intervals

Usage

```
jacobian(eq, x, paraHat)
```

Arguments

eq	equation
x	numeric vector of experimental concentrations
paraHat	fitted parameters

Details

Jacobian matrix is the matrix of all first-order partial derivatives of a vector-valued function.

Value

jac Jacobian matrix.

References

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jacobian_matrix_and_determinant

Examples

```
## example 1
x <- cytotox$Ni$x
rspn <- cytotox$Ni$y
obj <- curveFit(x, rspn, eq = 'Logit', param = c(12, 3), effv = c(0.05, 0.5), rtype = 'quantal')
jacobian('Logit', x, obj$p)
```

mixtox

Curve Fitting and Mixture Toxicity Assessment

Description

Curve Fitting for monotonic(sigmoidal) & non-monotonic(J-shaped) concentration-response data. Prediction of mixture toxicity based on reference models such as 'concentration addition', 'independent action', and 'generalized concentration addition'.

Details

Package: mixtox
Type: Package
Version: 1.3.2
Date: 2017-02-18
License: GPL-2

- (1) Curve fitting of concentration-responses based on 13 monotonic(sigmoidal) and 4 non-monotonic(J-shaped) models, goodness of fit, and calculation of confidence interval .
- (2) Experimental design for mixture toxicity. acr: arbitrary concentration ratio; eecr: equal effect concentration ratio; udcr: uniform design concentration ratio.
- (3) Mixture toxicity prediction based on reference models such as concentration addition (CA), independent action (IA), and generalized concentration addition (GCA).

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 nmECx

Effect Concentration Calculation for J-shaped Models

Description

Effect concentrations are calculated at particular effects based on the fitting coefficients of J-shaped Models.

Usage

```
nmECx(model, param, effv, minx, gap = -1e-6)
```

Arguments

model	a character vector of equations:("Brain_Consens", "BCV", "Biphasic", "Hill_five").
param	a numeric matrix of fitting coefficients with rownames (models) and colnames (ALpha, Beta, Gamma, Delta, and Epsilon).
effv	a numeric value (vector) with single or multiple effect values (miny ~ 1).
minx	a numeric value (vector) with single or multiple concentrations that induce maximum stimulation.
gap	theoretical response at the extreme low concentration predicted by a fitted model.

Details

effect concentrations will be calculated with provided equations(model), associated fitting parameters (param), and effects (effv). Effect (effv) should be a value(s) between miny ~ 1. For example, *effv* should be 0.5 if we want to calculate a concentration causes 50% effect. *minx* should be calculated by curveFit or tuneFit.

Value

ecx a numeric vector of effect concentration.

References

Zhu X-W, Liu S-S, Qin L-T, Chen F, Liu H-L. 2013. Modeling non-monotonic dose-response relationships: Model evaluation and hormetic quantities exploration. *Ecotoxicology and Environmental Safety* 89:130-136.

See Also

[CEx curveFit](#)

Examples

```
## example 1
# calculate ECL-10, ECR-10, EC5, and EC50 of the four hormetic curves
model <- hormesis$sgl$model
param <- hormesis$sgl$param
minx <- hormesis$sgl$minx
nmECx(model, param, effv = c(-0.10, 0.05, 0.50), minx)
```

NOEC

NOEC and LOEC Calculation

Description

calculating the NOEC and LOEC using Dunnett's test

Usage

```
NOEC(x, rspn, blankC = FALSE, sigLev = 0.05, alternertive = 'B')
```

Arguments

x a numeric vector of experimental concentrations

rspn a numeric matrix of experimental responses with at least three replicates.

blankC TRUE if rspn contains responses of blank control. The default is FALSE.

sigLev the significance level for Dunnett's test. The default is 0.05.

alternertive the alternative hypothesis: "U"=upper one-sided test; "B"=two-sided test(default).

Details

Dunnett's test (Dunnett, 1964) is performed to compare the treatment groups with the blank controls. The critical constants (store in DTcv) were calculated using step-down Dunnett test procedure. Three significance level (0.01, 0.05, and 0.1) are supported. ## Q: One dataset has four blank controls (C1, C2, C3, C4) and one treatment has three replicates (T1, T2, T3), ## another treatment has five replicates (R1, R2, R3, R4, R5), how to arrange the response matrix (rspn)? ## A: Label the missing values as NA, the response matrix (rspn) can be arranged as follows:

```
C1 C2 C3 C4 NA
T1 T2 T3 NA NA
R1 R2 R3 R4 R5
```

The adjustment of critical value for the unequal variances or unequal number of control and replicates is skipped in this program.

Value

mat	information on Dunnett's test.DT: Dunnett's test values; DTcv: critical values for Dunnett's test at the significance level of sigLev.
noec	non-observed effect concentration (NOEC).
loec	least-observed effect concentration (LOEC).
sigLev	the significance level used in the Dunnett's test.
DF	the number of treatments and degree of freedom.

Note

x a vector of concentrations or levels in an ascending order. response matrix with at least 3 replicates. if the response matrix (rspn) contains blank controls (blankC = TRUE), the blank controls should be allocated in the first row of rspn matrix. missing values should be labeled as NA.

References

Dunnett, C.W., 1964. New tables for multiple comparisons with a control. *Biometrics* 30, 482-491.

Examples

```
## example 1
# calculate the NOEC and LOEC of heavy metal Ni(2+) on the MCF-7 cells at the default significance
# level of 0.05
x <- cytotox$Ni$x
rspn <- cytotox$Ni$y
NOEC(x, rspn)

## example 2
# calculate the NOEC and LOEC of Neomycin sulfate on the photobacteria at the significance
# level of 0.01
x <- antibiotox$NEO$x
rspn <- antibiotox$NEO$y
NOEC(x, rspn, sigLev = 0.01)
```

qq4res	<i>Residual Normal QQ Plot</i>
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Description

Producing a side-by-side QQ plot of the residuals against standard normal quantiles.

Usage

```
qq4res(object, xlabel = 'Theoretical Quantiles', ylabel = 'Residuals',
       lgd = NULL)
```

Arguments

object object of class curveFit.
 xlabel, ylabel plot labels.
 lgd legend of the plot

Details

The empirical quantiles are plotted against the quantiles of a standard normal distribution. If the residuals are from a normal distribution with mean 0, the points tend to fall along the reference line that has an intercept of 0 and a slope equal to the estimated standard deviation.

Examples

```
## example 1
#
x <- antibiotox$PAR$x
expr <- antibiotox$PAR$y
obj <- curveFit(x, expr, eq = 'Logit', rtype = 'quantal', param = c(26, 4), effv = c(0.05, 0.5))
qq4res(obj)
```

showEq	<i>List Requested Equations</i>
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Description

Show the formula of different equations upto request.

Usage

```
showEq(eq)
```

Arguments

eq equation name to query

Details

Thirteen monotonic(sigmoidal) equations ("Hill", "Hill_two", "Hill_three", "Hill_four", "Weibull", "Weibull_three", "Weibull_four", "Logit", "Logit_three", "Logit_four", "BCW(Box-Cox-Weibull)", "BCL(Box-Cox-Logit)", "GL(Generalized Logit)") and four non-monotonic(J-shaped) equations ("Brain_Consens", "BCV", "Biphasic", "Hill_five") are provided to fit concentration-response data.

Value

The formula of requested equations (with abbr.) will show up.

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See Also

[curveFit](#)

Examples

```
# example 1
## show Weibull model
showEq('Weibull')

# example 2
## show the name of all sigmoidal models
showEq('sigmoid')
```

staval	<i>Starting Values for 13 Sigmoidal and 4 Hormetic Models</i>
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Description

providing starting values for function tuneFit.

Usage

```
data(staval)
```

Format

A list with starting values for 13 sigmoidal models and six hormetic models

staval\$Hill starting values for Hill model

staval\$GL starting values for generalized logit model

staval starting values for 13 sigmoidal and five hormetic models

Details

Thirteen monotonic(sigmoidal) models ("Hill", "Hill_two", "Hill_three", "Hill_four", "Weibull", "Weibull_three", "Weibull_four", "Logit", "Logit_three", "Logit_four", "BCW(Box-Cox-Weibull)", "BCL(Box-Cox-Logit)", "GL(Generalized Logit)") and four non-monotonic(J-shaped) models ("Brain_Consens", "BCV", "Biphasic", "Hill_five")

Examples

```
# example 1
## Retrieve the starting values for Hill.
staval$Hill

# example 2
## Retrieve the starting values for Weibull.
staval$Weibull
```

tuneFit

*Find Optimal Starting values for Curve Fitting***Description**

Curve fitting is dependent on the package `minpack.lm`. This generic function first searches optimal starting values based on trial and error. The the concentration response data will be fitted using the optimal starting values. The statistics for goodness of fit is evaluated by the following statistics: coefficient of determination (R^2), adjusted coefficient of determination (R_{adj}^2), root mean squared error (RMSE), mean absolute error (MAE), Akaike information criterion (AIC), bias-corrected Akaike information criterion(AICc), and Bayesian information criterion (BIC). Thirteen sigmoidal models ("Hill", "Hill_two", "Hill_three", "Hill_four", "Weibull", "Weibull_three", "Weibull_four", "Logit", "Logit_three", "Logit_four", "BCW(Box-Cox-Weibull)", "BCL(Box-Cox-Logit)", "GL(Generalized Logit)") and four J-shaped models ("Brain_Consens", "BCV", "Biphasic", "Hill_five") are provided to fit the concentration-response data.

Usage

```
tuneFit(conc, rspn, eq = 'Weibull', effv, rtype = 'quantal', rsq = 0.6, highBar = 5000,
bar = 1000, sav = FALSE)
```

Arguments

conc	a numeric vector (matrix) of experimental concentrations
rspn	a numeric vector (matrix) of responses corresponding to conc, it should have the same length (or rows and columns for matrix) as conc.
eq	models for curve fitting: "Hill", "Hill_two", "Hill_three", "Hill_four", "Weibull", "Weibull_three", "Weibull_four", "Logit", "Logit_three", "Logit_four", "BCW", "BCL", "GL", "Brain_Consens", "BCV", "Biphasic", "Hill_five".
rtype	the response type of endpoint: 'continuous' or 'quantal' data.
effv	numeric response to calculate effect concentration, scaled responses [0, 1].
rsq	r2 below which would be ignored.
highBar	if the number of starting values exceeds highBar, a random sample of starting values will be taken.
bar	the number of random samples.
sav	save fitting results in a text file (TRUE/FALSE).

Details

tuneFit provides high frequency trial and error approach to find appropriate starting values for users. It will deploy those starting values one by one until finding the right one. Function tuneFit can also be used to fit the concentration response data for a batch of chemicals and calculate corresponding effect concentration.

Value

sta goodness of fit statistics: (R^2 , R_{adj}^2 , MAE, RMSE, AIC, AICc, and BIC)

Note

tuneFit will load the file staval.rda which contains hundreds of starting values for each of the sigmoidal and hormetic models. However, those starting values are also limited. Users are encouraged to send their fitted coefficients to us to extent the coverage of staval.

Examples

```
## example 1
# Fit the non-monotonic concentration-response data
# we'll get a fit with r2 of 0.740
x <- hormesis$OmimCl$x
expr <- hormesis$OmimCl$y
y <- rowMeans(expr)
tuneFit(x, y, eq = 'Biphasic')

## example 2
# Fit the non-monotonic concentration-response data
# use r2 (rsq) of 0.9, we'll get a fit with r2 of 0.989
# calculate the effect concentration that causes 5% inhibition
x <- hormesis$OmimCl$x
expr <- hormesis$OmimCl$y
y <- rowMeans(expr)
tuneFit(x, y, eq = 'Biphasic', effv = 0.05, rsq = 0.9)

## example 3
# Fit the concentration-response data of heavy metal Ni(2+) on MCF-7 cells.
# Calculate the concentration that causes 5% inhibition on the growth of MCF-7

x <- cytotox$Ni$x
expr <- cytotox$Ni$y
y <- rowMeans(expr)
tuneFit(x, y, eq = 'Logit', effv = 0.05)

## example 4
# Fit the concentration-response data of Paromomycin Sulfate (PAR) on photobacteria.
# Calculate the concentrations that cause 50% inhibition on the growth of photobacteria

x <- antibiotox$PAR$x
expr <- antibiotox$PAR$y
y <- rowMeans(expr)
tuneFit(x, y, eq = 'Logit', effv = 0.5)
```

Description

The good lattice point method with a power generator was used to construct the uniform experimental tables. The centered L2-discrepancy (CD2) and the symmetric discrepancy algorithms (sd2) were employed to measure the uniformity and find the one with lowest discrepancy.

Usage

```
unidTab(lev, fac, algo = "cd2")
```

Arguments

lev	the number of runs (levels or pseudo-levels)
fac	the number of factors
algo	algorithms used to calculate the discrepancy. "cd2": the centered L2-discrepancy algorithm. "sd2": the symmetric discrepancy algorithm.

Details

Uniform design (UD) was proposed by Fang et al (Acta Math Appl Sin 3:363-372 (1980)). An appropriate uniform design table is constructed according to the factor (the number mixture components) and level (the number of experiments need to run). Many methods can be used to construct the uniform table. In the past decades many methods have been proposed for constructing (nearly) uniform designs, such as the good lattice point (glp) method, the glp method with a power generator (pglp method) (Fang 1980; Fang and Wang 1994), the cutting method (Ma and Fang 2004), the optimization method (Winker and Fang 1998).

However, when s is large, the glp method has a large computational cost. And the pglp method has the lowest computation complexity among various methods in quasi-Monte Carlo methods and a good performance when n or $n + 1$ is a prime number and s is small (Fang 1980; Fang and Wang 1994), while the pglp method may have a poor performance when s is large. Here, we choose the glp method with a power generator to construct the uniform table. The centered L2-discrepancy (cd2) is set as default over the symmetric discrepancy algorithm for its accuracy. The cd2 algorithm is defined as follows:

$$CD_2(P) = \left[\left(\frac{13}{12} \right)^s - \frac{2^{1-s}}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \prod_{i=1}^s \theta_{ki} + \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{k,l=1}^n \prod_{i=1}^s \phi_{k,li} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

With the definition of θ_{ki} and $\phi_{k,li}$ as follows:

$$\theta_{ki} = 2 + \left| x_{ki} - \frac{1}{2} \right| - \left| x_{ki} - \frac{1}{2} \right|^2$$

$$\phi_{k,li} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} \left(\left| x_{ki} - \frac{1}{2} \right| + \left| x_{li} - \frac{1}{2} \right| - |x_{ki} - x_{li}| \right)$$

where n , s are the number of runs (levels or multiple of levels) and the number of input variables (factors), respectively.

Value

T	the selected uniform table(s) . It may contain one or more uniform tables with the same discrepancy
D	the discrepancy of the constructed uniform table

References

Wang, Y., Fang, K.-T., 1996. Uniform design of experiments with mixtures. *Sci. China Ser. A-Mathematics Phys. Astron.* 39, 264-275.

Hickernell, F.J., 1996. A generalized discrepancy and quadrature error bound. *Math. Comput.* 67, 299-322.

Examples

```
## example 1
# construct uniform table with 11 runs and 7 factors using the default centered L2-discrepancy
# algorithm
unidTab(11, 7)

## example 2
# construct uniform table with 37 runs and 13 factors using the symmetric discrepancy algorithm
unidTab(lev = 37, fac = 13, algo = "sd2" )

## example 3
# construct uniform table with 37 runs and 13 factors using default centered L2-discrepancy
# algorithm
unidTab(lev = 37, fac = 13, algo = "cd2" )
```

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