

# Package ‘stddiff’

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**Title** Calculate the Standardized Difference for Numeric, Binary and Category Variables

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**Usage**

```

stddiff.numeric(data, gcol, vcol)
stddiff.binary(data, gcol, vcol)
stddiff.category(data, gcol, vcol)

```

**Arguments**

data	a dataframe
gcol	a column number of group variable in data, 0 for control group, 1 for treatment group
vcol	one or more column numbers of different types variables in data

**Details**

stddiff.numeric() is used for numeric variables. stddiff.binary() is used for binomial variables. stddiff.category() is used for categorical variables. stddiff should be less than 0.2 or 0.1.

**Value**

for stddiff.numeric function:

mean.c	the mean of control group
sd.c	the standard deviation of control group
mean.t	the mean of treatment group
sd.t	the standard deviation of treatment group
missing.c	the counts of missing value of control group
missing.t	the counts of missing value of treatment group
stddiff.l	the lower limit of the 95 percentage confidence interval of standardized difference between two groups
stddiff.u	the upper limit of the 95 percentage confidence interval of standardized difference

for stddiff.binary function:

p.c	the proportion of last level in the control group
p.t	the proportion of last level in the treatment group
missing.c	the counts of missing value of control group
missing.t	the counts of missing value of treatment group
stddiff	the standardized difference between two groups
stddiff.l	the lower limit of the 95 percentage confidence interval of standardized difference
stddiff.u	the upper limit of the 95 percentage confidence interval of standardized difference

for stddiff.category function:

p.c	the proportion of each level in the control group
p.t	the proportion of each level in the treatment group
missing.c	the counts of missing value of control group
missing.t	the counts of missing value of treatment group
stddiff	the standardized difference between two groups
stddiff.l	the lower limit of the 95 percentage confidence interval of standardized difference
stddiff.u	the upper limit of the 95 percentage confidence interval of standardized difference

### Note

Update:

version 2.0: Avoiding the negative number for the 'stddiff' of stddiff.numeric() and stddiff.binary()

version 3.0: Fixing the incorrect format in the results of stddiff.category()

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### References

Yang DS, Dalton JE. A Unified Approach to Measuring the Effect Size Between Two Groups Using SAS. SAS Global Forum 2012. paper 335

### See Also

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### Examples

```
#set.seed(2016)
#treat<-round(abs(rnorm(100)+1)*10,0) %% 2
#numeric<-round(abs(rnorm(100)+1)*10,0)
#binary<-round(abs(rnorm(100)+1)*10,0) %% 2
#category<-round(abs(rnorm(100)+1)*10,0) %% 3
#data<-data.frame(treat,numeric,binary,category)
#stddiff.numeric(data=data,gcol=1,vcol=c(2,2))
#stddiff.binary(data=data,gcol=1,vcol=c(3,3))
#stddiff.category(data=data,gcol=1,vcol=c(4,4))
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