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build_traj	<i>Wrapper for flexmix</i>
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Description

Call the package flexmix to build trajectory groups

Usage

```
build_traj(
  obsdata,
  formula,
  number_traj,
  identifier,
  family = "binomial",
  seed = 945,
  control = list(iter.max = 1000, minprior = 0),
  ...
)
```

Arguments

obsdata	Data to build trajectory groups in long format.
formula	Designate the formula to model the longitudinal variable of interest.
number_traj	An integer to fix the number of trajectory groups.
identifier	A string to designate the column name for the unique identifier.
family	Designate the type of distribution ("gaussian", "binomial", "poisson", "gamma").
seed	Set a seed for replicability.
control	Object of class FLXcontrol.
...	Additional arguments passed to the flexmix function.

Value

A list containing the posterior probability matrix and the fitted trajectory model.

Examples

```
obsdata_long = gendata(n = 1000, format = "long", total_followup = 6, seed = 945)
formula = as.formula(cbind(statins, 1 - statins) ~ time)
restraj = build_traj(obsdata = obsdata_long, number_traj = 3, formula = formula, identifier = "id")
```

gendata	<i>Generate data trajectories for MSM</i>
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Description

Provides datasets for running examples for LCGA-MSM and LCGA-HRMSM.

Usage

```
gendata(  
  n,  
  include_censor = FALSE,  
  format = c("long", "wide"),  
  start_year = 2011,  
  total_followup,  
  timedep_outcome = FALSE,  
  seed  
)
```

Arguments

n	Number of observations to generate.
include_censor	Logical, if TRUE, includes censoring.
format	Character, either "long" or "wide" for the format of the output data frame.
start_year	Baseline year.
total_followup	Number of measuring times.
timedep_outcome	Logical, if TRUE, includes a time-dependent outcome.
seed	Use a specific seed value to ensure the simulated data is replicable.

Value

A data frame with generated data trajectories.

Examples

```
gendata(n = 100, include_censor = FALSE, format = "wide", total_followup = 3, seed = 945)
```

gformula

*Counterfactual means via G-Formula***Description**

Calculates counterfactual means using the g-formula approach.

Usage

```
gformula(
  formula,
  baseline,
  covariates,
  treatment,
  outcome,
  ntimes_interval,
  obsdata
)
```

Arguments

formula	Specification of the model for the outcome to be fitted.
baseline	Names of the baseline covariates.
covariates	Names of the time-varying covariates (should be a list).
treatment	Names of the time-varying treatment.
outcome	Name of the outcome variable.
ntimes_interval	Length of a time-interval (s).
obsdata	Observed data in wide format.

Value

list_gform_countermeans
List of counterfactual means obtained with g-formula.

Author(s)

Awa Diop, Denis Talbot

Examples

```
obsdata = gendata(n = 1000, format = "wide", total_followup = 6, seed = 945)
years <- 2011:2016
baseline_var <- c("age", "sex")
variables <- c("hyper", "bmi")
var_cov <- c("statins", "hyper", "bmi")
covariates <- lapply(years, function(year) {
```

```

paste0(variables, year}))
treatment_var <- paste0("statins", 2011:2016)
formula = paste0("y ~", paste0(treatment_var, collapse = "+"), "+",
                 paste0(unlist(covariates), collapse = "+"), "+",
                 paste0(baseline_var, collapse = "+"))
res_gform <- gformula(formula = formula, baseline = baseline_var, covariates = covariates,
                     treatment = treatment_var, outcome = "y", ntimes_interval = 6, obsdata = obsdata )

```

ggtraj

ggplot Trajectory

Description

Use "ggplot2" to plot trajectory groups produced by the function "build_traj" using the observed treatment.

Usage

```
ggtraj(traj_data, treatment, time, identifier, class, FUN = mean, ...)
```

Arguments

traj_data	Merged datasets containing observed data in long format and trajectory groups.
treatment	Name of the time-varying treatment.
time	Name of the time variable.
identifier	Name of the identifier variable.
class	Name of the trajectory groups.
FUN	Specify which statistics to display, by default calculate the mean.
...	Additional arguments to be passed to ggplot functions.

Value

A ggplot object representing the trajectory groups using the observed treatment.

Examples

```

obsdata_long = gendata(n = 1000, format = "long", total_followup = 12, seed = 945)
restraj = build_traj(obsdata = obsdata_long, number_traj = 3,
                    formula = as.formula(cbind(statins, 1 - statins) ~ time), identifier = "id")
datapost = restraj$data_post
head(datapost)
traj_data_long <- merge(obsdata_long, datapost, by = "id")
  AggFormula <- as.formula(paste("statins", "~", "time", "+", "class"))
  Aggtraj_data <- aggregate(AggFormula, data = traj_data_long, FUN = mean)
  Aggtraj_data
#Aggtraj_data with labels

```

```

traj_data_long[, "traj_group"] <- factor(iffelse(traj_data_long[, "class"] == "3", "Group1",
iffelse (traj_data_long[, "class"] == "1", "Group2", "Group3")))
AggFormula <- as.formula(paste("statins", "~", "time", "+", "traj_group"))
Aggtraj_data <- aggregate(AggFormula, data = traj_data_long, FUN = mean)
ggtraj(traj_data = Aggtraj_data,
treatment = "statins", time = "time", identifier = "id", class = "traj_group", FUN = mean)

```

inverse_probability_weighting

Inverse Probability Weighting

Description

Compute stabilized and unstabilized weights, with or without censoring.

Usage

```

inverse_probability_weighting(
  numerator = c("stabilized", "unstabilized"),
  identifier,
  baseline,
  covariates,
  treatment,
  include_censor = FALSE,
  censor,
  obsdata
)

```

Arguments

numerator	To choose between stabilized and unstabilized weights.
identifier	Name of the column of the unique identifier.
baseline	Name of the baseline covariates.
covariates	Name of the time-varying covariates.
treatment	Name of the time-varying treatment.
include_censor	Logical value TRUE/FALSE to include or not a censoring variable.
censor	Name of the censoring variable.
obsdata	Observed data in wide format.

Value

Inverse Probability Weights (Stabilized and Unstabilized) with and without censoring.

Author(s)

Awa Diop, Denis Talbot

Examples

```

obsdata = gendata(n = 1000, format = "wide", total_followup = 3, seed = 945)
baseline_var <- c("age", "sex")
covariates <- list(c("hyper2011", "bmi2011"),
c("hyper2012", "bmi2012"), c("hyper2013", "bmi2013"))
treatment_var <- c("statins2011", "statins2012", "statins2013")
stabilized_weights = inverse_probability_weighting(numerator = "stabilized",
identifier = "id", covariates = covariates, treatment = treatment_var,
baseline = baseline_var, obsdata = obsdata)

```

pltmle

*Counterfactual means for a Pooled LTMLE***Description**

Function to estimate counterfactual means for a pooled LTMLE.

Usage

```

pltmle(
  formula,
  outcome,
  treatment,
  covariates,
  baseline,
  ntimes_interval,
  number_traj,
  time,
  time_values,
  identifier,
  obsdata,
  traj,
  total_followup,
  treshold = treshold,
  class_var,
  class_pred
)

```

Arguments

formula	Specification of the model for the outcome to be fitted.
outcome	Name of the outcome variable.
treatment	Time-varying treatment.
covariates	Covariates.
baseline	Name of baseline covariates.

<code>ntimes_interval</code>	Length of a time-interval (s).
<code>number_traj</code>	An integer to choose the number of trajectory groups.
<code>time</code>	Name of the time variable.
<code>time_values</code>	Measuring times.
<code>identifier</code>	Name of the column of the unique identifier.
<code>obsdata</code>	Observed data in wide format.
<code>traj</code>	Matrix of indicators for the trajectory groups.
<code>total_followup</code>	Number of measuring times per interval.
<code>treshold</code>	For weight truncation.
<code>class_var</code>	Name of the trajectory group variable.
<code>class_pred</code>	Vector of predicted trajectory groups.

Value

<code>list_pltmle_countermeans</code>	Counterfactual means and influence functions with the pooled ltmle.
<code>D</code>	Influence functions

Author(s)

Awa Diop, Denis Talbot

Examples

```
obsdata_long = gendata(n = 2000, format = "long", total_followup = 3, seed = 945)
baseline_var <- c("age", "sex")
covariates <- list(c("hyper2011", "bmi2011"),
c("hyper2012", "bmi2012"), c("hyper2013", "bmi2013"))
treatment_var <- c("statins2011", "statins2012", "statins2013")
time_values <- c(2011, 2012, 2013)
formulaA = as.formula(cbind(statins, 1 - statins) ~ time)
restraj = build_traj(obsdata = obsdata_long, number_traj = 3,
formula = formulaA, identifier = "id")
datapost = restraj$data_post
trajmsm_long <- merge(obsdata_long, datapost, by = "id")
  AggFormula <- as.formula(paste("statins", "~", "time", "+", "class"))
  AggTrajData <- aggregate(AggFormula, data = trajmsm_long, FUN = mean)
  AggTrajData
trajmsm_long[, "traj_group"] <- trajmsm_long[, "class"]
obsdata = reshape(trajmsm_long, direction = "wide", idvar = "id",
v.names = c("statins", "bmi", "hyper"), timevar = "time", sep = "")
formula = as.formula(" y ~ statins2011 + statins2012 + statins2013 +
hyper2011 + bmi2011 + hyper2012 + bmi2012 +
hyper2013 + bmi2013 + age + sex ")
class = factor(predict_traj(identifier = "id", total_followup = 3,
treatment = "statins", time = "time", time_values = time_values,
trajmodel = restraj$traj_model)$post_class);
```



```

traj=t(sapply(1:8,function(x)sapply(1:3,function(i)ifelse(class[x]==i,1,0))))
traj[,1]=1
res_pltmle = pltmle(formula = formula, outcome = "y",treatment = treatment_var,
covariates = covariates, baseline = baseline_var, ntimes_interval = 3, number_traj = 3,
time = "time",time_values = time_values,identifier = "id",obsdata = obsdata,
traj=traj, treshold = 0.99, class_pred= class, class_var = "class")
res_pltmle$counter_means

```

predict_traj

Predict trajectory groups for deterministic treatment regimes

Description

Function to predict trajectory groups for deterministic treatment regimes used with gformula and pooled LTMLE.

Usage

```

predict_traj(
  identifier,
  total_followup,
  treatment,
  time,
  time_values,
  trajmodel
)

```

Arguments

identifier	Name of the column of the unique identifier.
total_followup	Number of measuring times.
treatment	Name of the time-varying treatment.
time	Name of the variable time.
time_values	Values of the time variable.
trajmodel	Trajectory model built with the observed treatment.

Value

A data.frame with the posterior probabilities.

Author(s)

Awa Diop, Denis Talbot

split_data	<i>Split observed data into multiple subsets</i>
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Description

Function to split the data into multiple subsets of size *s* each one subset corresponding to one time-interval.

Usage

```
split_data(  
  obsdata,  
  total_followup,  
  ntimes_interval,  
  time,  
  time_values,  
  identifier  
)
```

Arguments

obsdata	Observed data in wide format.
total_followup	Total length of follow-up.
ntimes_interval	Number of measuring times per interval.
time	Name of the time variable.
time_values	Measuring times.
identifier	Identifier of individuals.

Value

all_df	All subsets, list of time intervals.
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Author(s)

Awa Diop Denis Talbot

Examples

```
obsdata = gendata(n = 1000, format = "long", total_followup = 8, seed = 945)  
years <- 2011:2018  
res = split_data(obsdata = obsdata, total_followup = 8,  
  ntimes_interval = 6, time = "time", time_values = years, identifier = "id")
```

trajhrmsm_gform	<i>History Restricted MSM and Latent Class of Growth Analysis estimated with G-formula.</i>
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Description

Estimate parameters of LCGA-HRMSM using g-formula. and bootstrap to get standard errors.

Usage

```
trajhrmsm_gform(
  degree_traj = c("linear", "quadratic", "cubic"),
  rep = 50,
  treatment,
  covariates,
  baseline,
  outcome,
  ntimes_interval,
  total_followup,
  time,
  time_values,
  identifier,
  var_cov,
  number_traj = 3,
  family = "poisson",
  obsdata
)
```

Arguments

degree_traj	To specify the polynomial degree for modelling the time-varying treatment.
rep	Number of repetition for the bootstrap.
treatment	Name of the time-varying treatment.
covariates	Names of the time-varying covariates (should be a list).
baseline	Name of baseline covariates.
outcome	Name of the outcome variable.
ntimes_interval	Length of a time-interval (s).
total_followup	Total length of follow-up.
time	Name of the time variable.
time_values	Measuring times.
identifier	Name of the column of the unique identifier.
var_cov	Names of the time-varying covariates.
number_traj	Number of trajectory groups.

family Specification of the error distribution and link function to be used in the model.
 obsdata Data in a long format.

Value

A list containing the following components:

results_hrmsm_gform Matrix of estimates for LCGA-MSM, obtained using the g-formula method.

result_coef_boot Matrix of estimates obtained with bootstrap.

restraj Fitted trajectory model.

mean_adh Matrix of mean adherence per trajectory group.

Author(s)

Awa Diop Denis Talbot

Examples

```
obsdata_long = gendata(n = 5000, format = "long", total_followup = 8,
  timedep_outcome = TRUE, seed = 845)
baseline_var <- c("age", "sex")
years <- 2011:2018
variables <- c("hyper", "bmi")
covariates <- lapply(years, function(year) {
  paste0(variables, year)})
treatment_var <- paste0("statins", 2011:2018)
var_cov <- c("statins", "hyper", "bmi")
reshrmsm_gform = trajhrmsm_gform(degree_traj = "linear", rep=50 ,
  treatment = treatment_var, covariates = covariates, baseline = baseline_var,
  outcome = "y", var_cov = var_cov, ntimes_interval = 6, total_followup = 8,
  time = "time", time_values = years, identifier = "id",
  number_traj = 3, family = "poisson", obsdata = obsdata_long)
reshrmsm_gform$results_hrmsm_gform
```

trajhrmsm_ipw

History Restricted MSM and Latent Class of Growth Analysis estimated with IPW.

Description

Estimate parameters of LCGA-HRMSM using IPW.

Usage

```
trajhrmsm_ipw(
  degree_traj = c("linear", "quadratic", "cubic"),
  numerator = c("stabilized", "unstabilized"),
  identifier,
  baseline,
  covariates,
  treatment,
  outcome,
  var_cov,
  include_censor = FALSE,
  ntimes_interval,
  total_followup,
  time,
  time_values,
  family = "poisson",
  censor = censor,
  number_traj,
  obsdata,
  weights = NULL,
  treshold = 0.999
)
```

Arguments

degree_traj	To specify the polynomial degree for modelling the time-varying treatment.
numerator	To choose between stabilized and unstabilized weights.
identifier	Name of the column of the unique identifier.
baseline	Names of the baseline covariates.
covariates	Names of the time-varying covariates (should be a list).
treatment	Name of the time-varying treatment.
outcome	Name of the outcome variable.
var_cov	Names of the time-varying covariates.
include_censor	Logical, if TRUE, includes censoring.
ntimes_interval	Length of a time-interval (s).
total_followup	Total length of follow-up.
time	Name of the time variable.
time_values	Values of the time variable.
family	specification of the error distribution and link function to be used in the model.
censor	Name of the censoring variable.
number_traj	Number of trajectory groups.
obsdata	Data in a long format.

weights A vector of estimated weights. If NULL, the weights are computed by the function.

treshold For weight truncation.

Value

Provides a matrix of estimates for LCGA-HRMSM, obtained using IPW.

Author(s)

Awa Diop, Denis Talbot

Examples

```
obsdata_long = gendata(n = 5000, format = "long", total_followup = 8,
  timedep_outcome = TRUE, seed = 845)
baseline_var <- c("age", "sex")
years <- 2011:2018
variables <- c("hyper", "bmi")
covariates <- lapply(years, function(year) {
  paste0(variables, year)})
treatment_var <- paste0("statins", 2011:2018)
var_cov <- c("statins", "hyper", "bmi", "y")
reshrmsm_ipw <- trajhrmsm_ipw(degree_traj = "linear", numerator = "stabilized",
  identifier = "id", baseline = baseline_var,
  covariates = covariates, treatment = treatment_var,
  outcome = "y", var_cov= var_cov, include_censor = FALSE,
  ntimes_interval = 6, total_followup = 8, time = "time", time_values = 2011:2018,
  family = "poisson", number_traj = 3, obsdata = obsdata_long, treshold = 0.999)
reshrmsm_ipw$res_trajhrmsm_ipw
```

trajhrmsm_pltmle

History Restricted MSM and Latent Class of Growth Analysis estimated with a Pooled LTMLE.

Description

Estimate parameters of LCGA-HRMSM using a Pooled LTMLE.

Usage

```
trajhrmsm_pltmle(
  degree_traj = c("linear", "quadratic", "cubic"),
  treatment,
  covariates,
  baseline,
  outcome,
  ntimes_interval,
```

```

    total_followup,
    time,
    time_values,
    identifier,
    var_cov,
    number_traj = 3,
    family = "poisson",
    obsdata,
    treshold = 0.99
  )

```

Arguments

degree_traj	To specify the polynomial degree for modelling the time-varying treatment.
treatment	Name of time-varying treatment.
covariates	Names of time-varying covariates (should be a list).
baseline	Names of baseline covariates.
outcome	Name of the outcome variable.
ntimes_interval	Length of a time-interval (s).
total_followup	Total length of follow-up.
time	Name of the time variable.
time_values	Measuring times.
identifier	Name of the column for unique identifiant.
var_cov	Names of the time-varying covariates.
number_traj	Number of trajectory groups.
family	Specification of the error distribution and link function to be used in the model.
obsdata	Data in a long format.
treshold	For weight truncation.

Value

A list containing the following components:

results_hrmsm_pltmle Matrix of estimates for LCGA-HRMSM, obtained using the pooled ltmle method.

restraj Fitted trajectory model.

mean_adh Matrix of the mean adherence per trajectory group.

Author(s)

Awa Diop Denis Talbot

Examples

```

obsdata_long = gendata(n = 5000, format = "long",
total_followup = 8, timedep_outcome = TRUE, seed = 845)
baseline_var <- c("age", "sex")
years <- 2011:2018
variables <- c("hyper", "bmi")
covariates <- lapply(years, function(year) {
  paste0(variables, year)})
treatment_var <- paste0("statins", 2011:2018)
var_cov <- c("statins", "hyper", "bmi", "y")
respltmle = trajhrmsm_pltmle(degree_traj = "linear", treatment = treatment_var,
covariates = covariates, baseline = baseline_var,
outcome = paste0("y", 2016:2018), var_cov = var_cov, ntimes_interval = 6,
total_followup = 8, time = "time", time_values = years, identifier = "id",
number_traj = 3, family = "poisson", obsdata = obsdata_long, treshold = 1)
respltmle$results_hrmsm_pltmle

```

trajmsm_gform

*Parametric g-formula***Description**

Estimate parameters of LCGA-MSM using g-formula and bootstrap to get standard errors.

Usage

```

trajmsm_gform(
  formula = formula,
  rep = 50,
  identifier,
  baseline,
  covariates,
  treatment,
  outcome,
  total_followup,
  time = time,
  time_values,
  var_cov,
  trajmodel,
  ref,
  obsdata
)

```

Arguments

formula	Specification of the model for the outcome to be fitted.
rep	Number of repetitions for the bootstrap.

identifier	Name of the column of the unique identifier.
baseline	Vector of names of the baseline covariates.
covariates	List of names of the time-varying covariates.
treatment	Vector of names of the time-varying treatment.
outcome	Name of the outcome of interest.
total_followup	Total length of follow-up.
time	Name of the time variable.
time_values	Measuring times.
var_cov	Names of the time-varying covariates.
trajmodel	Trajectory model built with the observed treatment.
ref	The reference trajectory group.
obsdata	Observed data in wide format.

Value

Provides a matrix of estimates for LCGA-MSM, obtained using the g-formula method.

Author(s)

Awa Diop Denis Talbot

Examples

```
obsdata_long = gendata(n = 1000, format = "long", total_followup = 6, seed = 845)
years <- 2011:2016
baseline_var <- c("age", "sex")
variables <- c("hyper", "bmi")
var_cov <- c("statins", "hyper", "bmi")
covariates <- lapply(years, function(year) {
  paste0(variables, year)})
treatment_var <- paste0("statins", 2011:2016)
formula_treatment = as.formula(cbind(statins, 1 - statins) ~ time)
restraj = build_traj(obsdata = obsdata_long, number_traj = 3,
  formula = formula_treatment, identifier = "id")
datapost = restraj$data_post
trajmsm_long <- merge(obsdata_long, datapost, by = "id")
  AggFormula <- as.formula(paste("statins", "~", "time", "+", "class"))
  AggTrajData <- aggregate(AggFormula, data = trajmsm_long, FUN = mean)
  AggTrajData
obsdata = reshape(data = trajmsm_long, direction = "wide", idvar = "id",
  v.names = c("statins", "bmi", "hyper"), timevar = "time", sep = "")
formula = paste0("y ~", paste0(treatment_var, collapse = "+"), "+",
  paste0(unlist(covariates), collapse = "+"), "+",
  paste0(baseline_var, collapse = "+"))
resmsm_gform <- trajmsm_gform(formula = formula, identifier = "id", rep = 5,
  baseline = baseline_var, covariates = covariates, var_cov = var_cov,
  treatment = treatment_var, outcome = "y", total_followup = 6, time = "time",
  time_values = years, trajmodel = restraj$traj_model, ref = "1", obsdata = obsdata )
```

resmsm_gform

trajmsm_ipw	<i>Marginal Structural Model and Latent Class of Growth Analysis estimated with IPW</i>
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Description

Estimate parameters of LCGA-MSM using IPW.

Usage

```
trajmsm_ipw(
  formula1,
  formula2,
  family,
  identifier,
  treatment,
  covariates,
  baseline,
  obsdata,
  numerator = "stabilized",
  include_censor = FALSE,
  censor,
  weights = NULL,
  treshold = 0.99
)
```

Arguments

formula1	Specification of the model for the outcome to be fitted for a binomial or gaussian distribution.
formula2	Specification of the model for the outcome to be fitted for a survival outcome.
family	Specification of the error distribution and link function to be used in the model.
identifier	Name of the column of the unique identifier.
treatment	Time-varying treatment.
covariates	Names of the time-varying covariates (should be a list).
baseline	Name of the baseline covariates.
obsdata	Dataset to be used in the analysis.
numerator	Type of weighting ("stabilized" or "unstabilized").
include_censor	Logical, if TRUE, includes censoring.
censor	Name of the censoring variable.
weights	A vector of estimated weights. If NULL, the weights are computed by the function IPW.
treshold	For weight truncation.

Value

Provides a matrix of estimates for LCGA-MSM, obtained using IPW.

Provides a matrix of estimates for LCGA-MSM, obtained using IPW.

Examples

```
obsdata_long = gendata(n = 1000, format = "long", total_followup = 6, seed = 845)
years <- 2011:2016
baseline_var <- c("age", "sex")
variables <- c("hyper", "bmi")
covariates <- lapply(years, function(year) {
  paste0(variables, year)})
treatment_var <- paste0("statins", 2011:2016)
formula_treatment = as.formula(cbind(statins, 1 - statins) ~ time)
restraj = build_traj(obsdata = obsdata_long, number_traj = 3,
  formula = formula_treatment, identifier = "id")
datapost = restraj$data_post
trajmsm_long <- merge(obsdata_long, datapost, by = "id")
  AggFormula <- as.formula(paste("statins", "~", "time", "+", "class"))
  AggTrajData <- aggregate(AggFormula, data = trajmsm_long, FUN = mean)
  AggTrajData
trajmsm_long$ipw_group <- relevel(trajmsm_long$class, ref = "1")
obsdata = reshape(data = trajmsm_long, direction = "wide", idvar = "id",
  v.names = c("statins", "bmi", "hyper"), timevar = "time", sep = "")
formula = paste0("y ~", paste0(treatment_var, collapse = "+"), "+",
  paste0(unlist(covariates), collapse = "+"), "+",
  paste0(baseline_var, collapse = "+"))

resmsm_ipw = trajmsm_ipw(formula1 = as.formula("y ~ ipw_group"),
  identifier = "id", baseline = baseline_var, covariates = covariates,
  treatment = treatment_var, family = "binomial",
  obsdata = obsdata, numerator = "stabilized", include_censor = FALSE, threshold = 0.99)
resmsm_ipw
```

trajmsm_pltmle

Pooled LTMLE

Description

Estimate parameters of LCGA-MSM using pooled LTMLE with influence functions to estimate standard errors.

Usage

```
trajmsm_pltmle(
  formula = formula,
  identifier,
  baseline,
```

```

covariates,
treatment,
outcome,
number_traj,
total_followup,
time,
time_values,
trajmodel,
ref,
treshold = 0.99,
obsdata,
class_var
)

```

Arguments

formula	Specification of the model for the outcome to be fitted.
identifier	Name of the column for unique identifiant.
baseline	Names of the baseline covariates.
covariates	Names of the time-varying covariates (should be a list).
treatment	Name of the time-varying treatment.
outcome	Name of the outcome variable.
number_traj	An integer to choose the number of trajectory groups.
total_followup	Total length of follow-up.
time	Name of the time variable.
time_values	Measuring times.
trajmodel	Trajectory model built with the observed treatment.
ref	The reference group.
treshold	For weight truncation.
obsdata	Observed data in wide format.
class_var	Name of the trajectory group variable.

Value

Provides a matrix of estimates for LCGA-MSM, obtained using the pooled ltmle method.

```

results_msm_pooledltmle
      Estimates of a LCGA-MSM with pooled LTMLE.

```

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Examples

```

obsdata_long = gendata(n = 1000, format = "long", total_followup = 6, seed = 845)
years <- 2011:2016
baseline_var <- c("age", "sex")
variables <- c("hyper", "bmi")
covariates <- lapply(years, function(year) {
  paste0(variables, year)})
treatment_var <- paste0("statins", 2011:2016)
formula_treatment = as.formula(cbind(statins, 1 - statins) ~ time)
restraj = build_traj(obsdata = obsdata_long, number_traj = 3,
  formula = formula_treatment, identifier = "id")
datapost = restraj$data_post
trajmsm_long <- merge(obsdata_long, datapost, by = "id")
  AggFormula <- as.formula(paste("statins", "~", "time", "+", "class"))
  AggTrajData <- aggregate(AggFormula, data = trajmsm_long, FUN = mean)
trajmsm_wide = reshape(data = trajmsm_long, direction = "wide", idvar = "id",
  v.names = c("statins", "bmi", "hyper"), timevar = "time", sep = "")
formula = paste0("y ~", paste0(treatment_var, collapse = "+"), "+",
  paste0(unlist(covariates), collapse = "+"), "+",
  paste0(baseline_var, collapse = "+"))
resmsm_pltmle <- trajmsm_pltmle(formula = formula, identifier = "id",
  baseline = baseline_var,
  covariates = covariates, treatment = treatment_var,
  outcome = "y", time = "time", time_values = years,
  number_traj = 3, total_followup = 6,
  trajmodel = restraj$traj_model, ref = "1", obsdata = trajmsm_wide,
  treshold = 1, class_var = "class")
resmsm_pltmle

```

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