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Relevant knowledge of cross lagged models can be learned through the paper by Fredrik Falkenström (2024) <[doi:10.1016/j.cpr.2024.102435](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cpr.2024.102435)> and the paper by A Gasparini (2010) <[doi:10.1002/sim.3940](https://doi.org/10.1002/sim.3940)>.

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adjust_target

Title Generate covariates' residuals

Description

Title Generate covariates' residuals

Usage

adjust_target(X, y1, y2 = NULL, cor_vars)

Arguments

- X

A dataset containing y1, y2, and covariates. The row name is the name of x,y and covariate
- y1

If cross lagged analysis is used between x and y, 'y1' is the name of x.
- y2

y2 can be NULL. If cross lagged analysis is used between x and y, 'y2' is the name of y. 'y1' and 'y2' come from the same time point.
- cor_vars

the name of covariate

Value

a list containing the covariate-adjusted value of y1 and y2 (If y2 is not NULL)

Examples

```
data(test_data1)
result <- adjust_target(X=test_data1,y1="ASI",y2=NULL,cor_vars=c("HDL_C","LDL_C"))
```

clpm_gamm4_c

*Title Cross-lag analysis based on generalized additive mixture models***Description**

Title Cross-lag analysis based on generalized additive mixture models

Usage

```
clpm_gamm4_c(xname, yname, data.x1, data.y1, data.xt, data.yt, z)
```

Arguments

xname	If cross lagged analysis is used between x and y, 'xname' is the name of x
yname	If cross lagged analysis is used between x and y, 'yname' is the name of y
data.x1	A numeric variable.
data.y1	A numeric variable. 'data.x1' and 'data.y1' comes from the first time point
data.xt	A numeric variable.
data.yt	A numeric variable. 'data.xt' and 'data.yt' comes from the another time point 'data.x1', 'data.y1', 'data.xt' and 'data.yt' can be the data processed by the function 'adjust_target()'
z	In the generalized additive mixture model, a random intercept is specified and the random effects are grouped by z. 'z' and 'data.x1', 'data.y1', 'data.xt', 'data.yt' are all numeric variables that should ideally correspond to each other.

Value

A dataframe containing the result of generalized additive mixture model (consists of a smoothing term, a linear term and a stochastic intercept).

Examples

```
data(test_data1)
data(test_data2)
result <- clpm_gamm4_c("ASI", "PWRI", test_data1$ASI, test_data1$PWRI,
  data.xt = test_data2$ASI, data.yt = test_data2$PWRI, z=test_data1$time)
```

clpm_gamm4_r	<i>Title Cross-lag analysis based on generalized additive mixture models: autoregression</i>
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Description

Title Cross-lag analysis based on generalized additive mixture models: autoregression

Usage

```
clpm_gamm4_r(xname, yname, data.x1, data.y1, data.xt, data.yt, z)
```

Arguments

xname	If cross lagged analysis is used between x and y, 'xname' is the name of x
yname	If cross lagged analysis is used between x and y, 'yname' is the name of y
data.x1	A numeric variable.
data.y1	A numeric variable. 'data.x1' and 'data.y1' comes from the first time point
data.xt	A numeric variable.
data.yt	A numeric variable. 'data.xt' and 'data.yt' comes from the another time point 'data.x1', 'data.y1', 'data.xt' and 'data.yt' can be the data processed by the function 'adjust_target()'
z	In the generalized additive mixture model, a random intercept is specified and the random effects are grouped by z. 'z' and 'data.x1', 'data.y1', 'data.xt', 'data.yt' are all numeric variables that should ideally correspond to each other.

Value

A dataframe containing the result of autoregression based on generalized additive mixture model: 'Xt~X1', 'Yt~Y1'.

Examples

```
data(test_data1)
data(test_data2)
result <- clpm_gamm4_r("ASI", "PWRI", test_data1$ASI, test_data1$PWRI,
  data.xt = test_data2$ASI, data.yt = test_data2$PWRI, z=test_data1$time)
```

clpm_gam_c

Title Nonlinear Cross Lag Analysis

Description

Title Nonlinear Cross Lag Analysis

Usage

```
clpm_gam_c(xname, yname, data.x1, data.y1, data.xt, data.yt)
```

Arguments

xname	If nonlinear cross lagged analysis is used between x and y, 'xname' is the name of x
yname	If nonlinear cross lagged analysis is used between x and y, 'yname' is the name of y
data.x1	A numeric variable.
data.y1	A numeric variable. 'data.x1' and 'data.y1' comes from the first time point
data.xt	A numeric variable.
data.yt	A numeric variable. 'data.xt' and 'data.yt' comes from the another time point

Value

A list containing two elements

clpm_gam_result	a dataframe containing the result of nonlinear cross lag analysis
clpm_gam_plot	a list of plot generated by 'ggplot' and 'ggarrange', you can use 'ggarrange(clpm_gam_plot[[2]])' to plot it

Examples

```
data(test_data1)
data(test_data2)
result <- clpm_gam_c(xname="ASI", yname = "PWRI",
  data.x1 = test_data1$ASI, data.y1 = test_data1$PWRI,
  data.xt = test_data2$ASI, data.yt = test_data2$PWRI)
```

clpm_gam_r	Title Nonlinear Cross Lag Analysis: autoregression
Description	
Title Nonlinear Cross Lag Analysis: autoregression	
Usage	
clpm_gam_r(xname, yname, data.x1, data.y1, data.xt, data.yt)	
Arguments	
xname	If cross lagged analysis is used between x and y, 'xname' is the name of x
yname	If cross lagged analysis is used between x and y, 'yname' is the name of y
data.x1	A numeric variable.
data.y1	A numeric variable. 'data.x1' and 'data.y1' comes from the first time point
data.xt	A numeric variable.
data.yt	A numeric variable. 'data.xt' and 'data.yt' comes from the another time point
Value	
A dataframe containing the result of autoregression: 'Xt~X1' 'Yt~Y1'	
Examples	
<pre>data(test_data1) data(test_data2) clpm_gam_r(xname="ASI", yname = "PWRI", data.x1 = test_data1\$ASI, data.y1 = test_data1\$PWRI, data.xt = test_data2\$ASI, data.yt = test_data2\$PWRI)</pre>	
clpm_poly_c	Title Nonlinear Cross Lag Analysis based on Polynomial linear regression

Description

Title Nonlinear Cross Lag Analysis based on Polynomial linear regression

Usage

clpm_poly_c(xname, yname, data1, data2, adjust = FALSE, adjust_name = NULL)

Arguments

xname	If cross lagged analysis is used between x and y, 'xname' is the name of x
yname	If cross lagged analysis is used between x and y, 'yname' is the name of y
data1	A dataframe containing data of x and y at the same time point. If covariate adjustments are made (adjust=T), data of covariates should also be included. The input 'xname','yname' and 'adjust_name' is written in the same way among the 'data1' column names
data2	A dataframe containing data of x and y at the another time point. If covariate adjustments are made (adjust=T), data of covariates should also be included. The input 'xname','yname' and 'adjust_name' is written in the same way among the 'data2' column names
adjust	The default value is F. If you want to perform covariate adjustments on x and y based on adjust_target(), please use T.
adjust_name	The name of the covariate, corresponding to the data contained in data1 or data2. If there are multiple covariates, they need to be saved in a vector.

Value

A dataframe containing the result of Nonlinear Cross Lag Analysis after polynomial regression

Examples

```
data(test_data1)
data(test_data2)
# Not adjusting for covariates
result <- clpm_poly_c(xname = "PWRI", yname = "LDL_C",
  data1 = test_data1, data2 = test_data2, adjust = FALSE)
# Adjust for covariates
result_ad <- clpm_poly_c(xname = "ASI", yname = "PWRI",
  data1 = test_data1, data2 = test_data2,
  adjust = TRUE, adjust_name=c("HDL_C", "LDL_C"))
```

clpm_poly_r	<i>Title Nonlinear Cross Lag Analysis based on Polynomial linear regression: autoregression</i>
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Description

Title Nonlinear Cross Lag Analysis based on Polynomial linear regression: autoregression

Usage

```
clpm_poly_r(xname, yname, data1, data2, adjust = FALSE, adjust_name = NULL)
```

Arguments

xname	If cross lagged analysis is used between x and y, 'xname' is the name of x
yname	If cross lagged analysis is used between x and y, 'xname' is the name of x
data1	A dataframe containing data of x and y at the same time point. If covariate adjustments are made (adjust=T), data of covariates should also be included. The input 'xname','yname' and 'adjust_name' is written in the same way among the 'data1' column names
data2	A dataframe containing data of x and y at the another time point. If covariate adjustments are made (adjust=T), data of covariates should also be included. The input 'xname','yname' and 'adjust_name' is written in the same way among the 'data2' column names
adjust	The default value is F. If you want to perform covariate adjustments on x and y based on adjust_target(), please use T.
adjust_name	The name of the covariate, corresponding to the data contained in data1 or data2. If there are multiple covariates, they need to be saved in a vector.

Value

A dataframe containing the result of Nonlinear Cross Lag Analysis after polynomial regression:
Xt~X1,Yt~Y1

Examples

```
data(test_data1)
data(test_data2)
# Not adjusting for covariates
result <- clpm_poly_r(xname = "ASI",yname = "PWRI",
                      data1 = test_data1,data2 = test_data2,adjust = FALSE)
# Adjust for covariates
result_ad <- clpm_poly_r(xname = "ASI",yname = "PWRI",
                         data1 = test_data1,data2 = test_data2,
                         adjust = TRUE,adjust_name=c("HDL_C","LDL_C"))
```

crlog_line	<i>Title Linear Cross lagged analysis</i>
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Description

Title Linear Cross lagged analysis

Usage

```
crlog_line(xname, yname, data.x1, data.y1, data.xt, data.yt)
```

Arguments

xname	If linear cross lagged analysis is used between x and y, 'xname' is the name of x
yname	If linear cross lagged analysis is used between x and y, 'yname' is the name of y
data.x1	A numeric variable.
data.y1	A numeric variable. 'data.x1' and 'data.y1' comes from the first time point
data.xt	A numeric variable.
data.yt	A numeric variable. 'data.xt' and 'data.yt' comes from the another time point

Value

a dataframe containing 'Relation','beta','se','z','pvalue','x','y','rmr' and 'cfi'. Relation: This is a string that represents the relationship between the variables. beta: This is the estimated coefficient of the model. p: This is the p-value of the model coefficient, used to test whether the coefficient is significantly different from 0. x: This is the input xname, representing the name of the x variable. y: This is the input yname, representing the name of the y variable. rmr: This is one of the model fit measures, representing the root mean square residual of the model. cfi: This is one of the model fit measures, representing the comparative fit index of the model.

Examples

```
data(test_data1)
data(test_data2)
result <- crlog_line(xname="ASI",yname = "PWRI",data.x1 = test_data1$ASI,
                     data.y1 = test_data1$PWRI,data.xt = test_data2$ASI,
                     data.yt = test_data2$PWRI)
```

judge_line	<i>Title Determine a linear relationship between x and y by Restricted Cubic Splines(RCS) and plot it</i>
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Description

Title Determine a linear relationship between x and y by Restricted Cubic Splines(RCS) and plot it

Usage

```
judge_line(xname, yname, Data, parm)
```

Arguments

xname	A character, the name of the x. If there are multiple covariates, they need to be saved in a vector
yname	A character, the name of the y. If there are multiple covariates, they need to be saved in a vector
Data	A dataframe containing data of x and y. The input 'xname' and 'yname' is written in the same way among the 'Data' column names
parm	the number of knots of RCS

Value

A list containing the information of RCS plots. You can use 'ggpubr::ggarrange()' to plot the list. The list is a list of ggplot objects. Each ggplot object is a plot that represents the relationship between one independent variable (from xname) and one dependent variable (from yname). These plots are based on a linear regression model that uses a restricted cubic spline to handle the independent variable. Each plot includes a line of predicted values (solid blue line) and a confidence interval for these predictions (transparent blue area). The title of each plot includes the p-value for non-linearity, as well as the names of the independent and dependent variables.

Examples

```
data(test_data1)

# Get RCS plots
result <- judge_line(xname="ASI", yname="HDL_C", Data = test_data1, parm = 4)
## Plot an RCS curve graph
ggpubr::ggarrange(result[[1]])

# Simultaneously determining multiple linear relationships
results <- judge_line("ASI", c("HDL_C", "LDL_C"), Data = test_data1, parm = 4)
## Plot many RCS curve graphs
## Adjust 'nrow' and 'ncol' according to actual situation
ggpubr::ggarrange(plotlist = results, nrow = 1, ncol = 2)
```

test_data1

Data for the first time point used for testing

Description

Data for the first time point used for testing

Format

A dataframe.

Source

Generated from case information of a hospital in Hebei province

Examples

```
data(test_data1)
```

test_data2	<i>Data for the second time point used for testing</i>
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Description

Data for the second time point used for testing

Format

A dataframe.

Source

Generated from case information of a hospital in Hebei province

Examples

```
data(test_data2)
```

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