

# Package ‘biasbetareg’

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## Description

Bias correction of second order of the maximum likelihood estimators of the parameters of the beta regression model.

**Usage**

```
bias(fit)
```

**Arguments**

<code>fit</code>	Fit beta regression models for rates and proportions via maximum likelihood using a parametrization with mean (depending through a link function on the covariates) and precision parameter (called $\phi$ ).
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**Details**

The parameters of the beta regression model are estimated by the maximum likelihood method (see Ferrari and Cribari-Neto, 2004). These estimators are generally biased in models that use link function. This bias is not a serious problem when the sample size is large, however, when the sample is small, this bias can be large compared with the standard-error estimator.

Simas et al (2010) defines formulas general for second-order biases of the beta regression model with constant or variable-precision accuracy.

**Value**

`bias()` returns a matrix with corrected coefficients.

**References**

Ferrari, S.L.P., and Cribari-Neto, F. (2004). Beta Regression for Modeling Rates and Proportions. *Journal of Applied Statistics*, 31(7), 799-815.

Simas, A.B., Barreto-Souza, W., and Rocha, A.V. (2010). Improved Estimators for a General Class of Beta Regression Models. *Computational Statistics and Data Analysis*, 54(2), 348-366.

**See Also**

`betareg`

**Examples**

```
require(betareg)
## Section 4 from Ferrari and Cribari-Neto (2004)
data("GasolineYield", package = "betareg")
bbt <- betareg(yield ~ batch + temp, data = GasolineYield)
bias(bbt)

## Section 3 from online supplements to Simas et al. (2010)
## mean model as in gy above
## precision model with regressor temp
bbt2 <- betareg(yield ~ batch + temp | temp, data = GasolineYield)
bias(bbt2)
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