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add_settings

### Description

Most statistical techniques need to specify some settings for them to run. This function sets those settings in the blueprint, before the statistical method is used at the construction phase.

### Usage

```
add_settings(data, ...)  
```

#### `add_settings` for `gee_bp`

```
add_settings(data, cluster.id, family, corstr = c("independence", "exchangeable", "ar1"), conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.95, ...)
```

#### `add_settings` for `cor_bp`

```
add_settings(data, method = c("pearson", "kendall", "spearman"), use = c("complete.obs", "all.obs", "pairwise.complete.obs", "everything", "na.or.complete"), hclust.order = FALSE, ...)
```

#### `add_settings` for `glm_bp`

```
add_settings(data, family, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.95, ...)
```

#### `add_settings` for `pls_bp`

```
add_settings(data, ncomp = NULL, scale = TRUE, validation = c("none", "CV", "LOO"), cv.data = TRUE, cv.seed = 1234, ...)
```

#### `add_settings` for `t.test_bp`

```
add_settings(data, paired = FALSE, ...)
```

### Arguments

- **data**: The blueprint data object.
- **...**: Additional args.
- **cluster.id**: Variable that represents the cluster for GEE.
family  a description of the error distribution and link function to be used in the model. For glm this can be a character string naming a family function, a family function or the result of a call to a family function. For glm.fit only the third option is supported. (See family for details of family functions.)

corstr  The correlation structure. See geepack::geglm().

conf.int  whether to include a confidence interval

conf.level  confidence level of the interval, used only if conf.int=TRUE

method  the method to be used in fitting the model. The default method "glm.fit" uses iteratively reweighted least squares (IWLS); the alternative "model.frame" returns the model frame and does no fitting. User-supplied fitting functions can be supplied either as a function or a character string naming a function, with a function which takes the same arguments as glm.fit. If specified as a character string it is looked up from within the stats namespace.

use  an optional character string giving a method for computing covariances in the presence of missing values. This must be (an abbreviation of) one of the strings "everything", "all.obs", "complete.obs", "na.or.complete", or "pairwise.complete.obs".

hclust.order  Whether to order the correlation data based on the stats::hclust() algorithm.

ncomp  the number of components to include in the model (see below).

scale  numeric vector, or logical. If numeric vector, X is scaled by dividing each variable with the corresponding element of scale. If scale is TRUE, X is scaled by dividing each variable by its sample standard deviation. If cross-validation is selected, scaling by the standard deviation is done for every segment.

validation  character. What kind of (internal) validation to use. See below.

cv.data  Whether to cross-validate the dataset into training and testing sets.

cv.seed  Seed to set for cv.data.

paired  a logical indicating whether you want a paired t-test.

Value

Settings for the analysis are added to the blueprint

Examples

design(iris, 'gee') %>%
  add_settings('Species', family = binomial('logit'), conf.int = FALSE)

ds <- design(iris, 'cor')  
ds <- add_settings(ds, method = 'spearman')

ds <- design(iris, 't.test')
add_settings(ds, paired = TRUE)
add_settings(ds)
add_variables

Add variables to the analysis

Description

While different analyses use different types of variables, in general they can be classified as in the 'y' or 'x' position of a statistical equation. They can further be classified as covariates and as an interaction term.

Usage

add_variables(data, type = c("yvars", "xvars", "covariates", "interaction"), variables)

Arguments

data The blueprint data object.
type The variable type, i.e. where it is located on the equation (y position, x, as a covariate, etc.)
variables Variables to use for the type specified

Value

Adds variables to the blueprint

Examples

library(magrittr)
ds <- design(iris, 'cor') %>%
  add_settings()
add_variables(ds, 'xvar', 'Sepal.Length')
add_variables(ds, 'yvar', 'Petal.Length')

ds <- design(iris, 't.test')
ds <- add_variables(ds, 'yvar', c('Sepal.Length', 'Sepal.Width'))
ds <- add_variables(ds, 'xvar', 'Petal.Length')
Construct the results of the analysis

**Description**

Construct the results of the analysis

**Usage**

```r
construct(data, ..., na.rm = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

- `data`: The blueprint data object.
- `...`: Additional args.
- `na.rm`: Whether to remove missing values.

**Value**

Uses the blueprint to construct the results of the statistical analysis.

**Examples**

```r
library(magrittr)  
design(iris, 'cor') %>%
    add_settings() %>%
    add_variables('xvars', c('Sepal.Length', 'Sepal.Width')) %>%
    construct()

design(iris, 't.test') %>%
    add_settings() %>%
    add_variables('yvars', c('Sepal.Length', 'Sepal.Width')) %>%
    add_variables('xvars', c('Petal.Length', 'Petal.Width')) %>%
    construct()

design(iris, 'glm') %>%
    add_settings() %>%
    add_variables('yvars', c('Sepal.Length', 'Sepal.Width')) %>%
    add_variables('xvars', c('Petal.Length', 'Petal.Width')) %>%
    construct()

design(iris, 'gee') %>%
    add_settings('Species') %>%
    add_variables('yvars', c('Sepal.Length', 'Sepal.Width')) %>%
    add_variables('xvars', c('Petal.Length', 'Petal.Width')) %>%
    construct()
```
Design

Design the blueprint for an analysis.

Description

Sets up the initial design (i.e. the blueprint) of a statistical analysis to use on the data. As in creating a building or structure, a blueprint is first needed to guide the construction. This function only creates that blueprint, but does not do any construction (e.g. actually running statistics).

Usage

design(data, statistic = c("gee", "cor", "glm", "t.test"))

Arguments

data The dataset you want to analyze
statistic The type of statistical test to use

Value

Creates a blueprint object that will be used to construct the analysis in a later phase.

Examples

design(iris, 'gee')
design(iris, 'cor')
design(iris, 'glm')
design(iris, 't.test')

Build a (results from analyses) structure like a mason

Description

Easily run common statistical analyses and build them into a form that can easily be plotting or made into a table. Many parts of mason use dplyr::dplyr() functions, which makes the analysis fast and allows it to be put into a magrittr::magrittr() pipe chain.

The final, scrub()’ed version of the analysis is in a ‘tidy’ format, meaning it is already in a form to send to ggplot2::ggplot() or created into a table using pander::pander(), knitr::kable(), or pixiedust::dust(). It also allows further processing with dplyr and tidyr.
polish

Details

One of the main goals of mason is to make it easy to implement other analyses in a consistent syntax and structure. Like in architecture, construction, and engineering, data analysis projects follow a similar workflow, where there is a design phase, a construction phase, and a final scrubbing/cleaning/polishing phase, with some back and forth as construction continues. mason tries to emulate this pattern.

See Also

For more documentation, see vignette("mason", package = "mason").

polish

Do some final polishing of the scrubbed mason analysis data.

Description

Do some final polishing of the scrubbed mason analysis data.

Usage

polish_renaming(data, renaming.fun, columns = NULL)
polish_filter(data, keep.pattern, column)
polish_transform_estimates(data, transform.fun)
polish_adjust_pvalue(data, method = "BH")

Arguments

data
renaming.fun
columns
keep.pattern
column
transform.fun
method

The scrubbed object.
A function, typically with base::gsub(), that searches and replaces strings.
The columns to apply the renaming function to. Defaults to columns that are a factor or character vectors.
Rows to keep based on a regular expression pattern.
The column to apply the filtering to.
A function to modify continuous variable columns.
Correction method for the p-value adjustment (stats::p.adjust()).
**Functions**

- **polish_renaming**: `polish_renaming` simply takes a function, most likely one that uses `base::gsub()`, and uses that to search and replace words, etc., in the specified columns.

- **polish_filter**: `polish_filter` is basically a thin wrapper around `dplyr::filter()`, but using `base::grepl()` for the pattern searching.

- **polish_transform_estimates**: `polish_transform_estimates` is simply a thin wrapper around `dplyr::mutate_at()`.

- **polish_adjust_pvalue**: `polish_adjust_pvalue` is a thin wrapper around `dplyr::mutate()` and `stats::p.adjust()`

**Examples**

```r
library(magrittr)
d$s <- swiss %>%
design('glm') %>%
add_settings()
add_variables('yvar', c('Fertility', 'Education')) %>%
add_variables('xvar', c('Agriculture', 'Catholic')) %>%
add_variables('covariates', 'Examination') %>%
construct() %>%
scrub()
polish_renaming(ds, function(x) gsub('Education', 'Schooling', x))
polish_filter(ds, 'Xterm', 'term')
polish_adjust_pvalue(ds)[c('p.value', 'adj.p.value')]
polish_transform_estimates(ds, function(x) exp(x))
```

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**scrub**  
*Scrub down and polish up the constructed analysis results.*

**Description**

Scrub down and polish up the constructed analysis results.

**Usage**

`scrub(data)`

**Arguments**

- **data**  
The blueprint data object.

**Value**

Outputs a cleaned up version of the constructed analysis.
Examples

ds <- design(iris, 'cor')
ds <- add_settings(ds)
ds <- add_variables(ds, 'xvars', c('Sepal.Length', 'Sepal.Width'))
ds <- construct(ds)
scrub(ds)
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