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inference developed in 'Roodman et al' (2019, 'STATA' Journal, <doi:10.1177/1536867X19830877>) and 'MacKinnon et al' (2022), which makes it feasible to quickly calculate bootstrap test statistics based on a large number of bootstrap draws even for large samples. Multiple bootstrap types as described in 'MacKinnon, Nielsen & Webb' (2022) are supported.

Further, 'multiway' clustering, regression weights, bootstrap weights, fixed effects and 'subcluster' bootstrapping are supported. Further, both restricted ('WCR') and unrestricted ('WCU') bootstrap are supported. Methods are provided for a variety of fitted models, including 'lm()', 'feols()' (from package 'fixest') and 'felm()' (from package 'life').

Additionally implements a 'heteroskedasticity-robust' ('HC1') wild bootstrap.

Description Implementation of fast algorithms for wild cluster bootstrap

Last, the package provides an R binding to 'WildBootTests.jl', which provides additional speed gains and functionality, including the 'WRE' bootstrap for instrumental variable models (based on models of type 'ivreg()' from package 'ivreg') and hypotheses with q > 1.

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Fast wild cluster bootstrap inference

Description

boottest is a S3 method that allows for fast wild cluster bootstrap inference for objects of class lm, fixest and felm by implementing the fast wild bootstrap algorithm developed in Roodman et al., 2019.

Usage

```
boottest(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object An object of type lm, fixest, felm or ivreg
... other arguments

Value

An object of class boottest.

Setting Seeds

To guarantee reproducibility, you can either use boottest()'s seed function argument, or set a global random seed via

- set.seed() when using
 - 1. the lean algorithm (via engine = "R-lean"), 2) the heteroskedastic wild bootstrap
 - 2. the wild cluster bootstrap via engine = "R" with Mammen weights or 4) engine = "WildBootTests.jl"
- dqrng::dqset.seed() when using engine = "R" for Rademacher, Webb or Normal weights

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Stata, Julia and Python Implementations

The fast wild cluster bootstrap algorithms are further implemented in the following software packages:

• Stata:boottest

• Julia: WildBootTests.jl

• Python:wildboottest

References

Roodman et al., 2019, "Fast and wild: Bootstrap inference in STATA using boottest", The STATA Journal. (https://ideas.repec.org/p/qed/wpaper/1406.html)

MacKinnon, James G., Morten Ørregaard Nielsen, and Matthew D. Webb. Fast and reliable jack-knife and bootstrap methods for cluster-robust inference. No. 1485. 2022.

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See Also

boottest.lm, boottest.fixest, boottest.felm, boottest.ivreg

Examples

```
requireNamespace("fwildclusterboot")
data(voters)
lm_fit <- lm(
    proposition_vote ~ treatment + ideology1 + log_income + Q1_immigration,
    data = voters
)
boot <- boottest(lm_fit,
    B = 9999,
    param = "treatment",
    clustid = "group_id1"
)
summary(boot)</pre>
```

```
print(boot)
plot(boot)
nobs(boot)
pval(boot)
confint(boot)
generics::tidy(boot)
```

boottest.felm

Fast wild cluster bootstrap inference for object of class felm

Description

boottest.felm is a S3 method that allows for fast wild cluster bootstrap inference for objects of class felm by implementing fast wild bootstrap algorithms as developed in Roodman et al., 2019 and MacKinnon, Nielsen & Webb (2022).

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'felm'
boottest(
  object,
  param,
  clustid = NULL,
  bootcluster = "max",
  fe = NULL,
  conf_int = TRUE,
  R = NULL
  r = 0,
  beta0 = NULL,
  sign_level = 0.05,
  type = "rademacher",
  impose_null = TRUE,
  bootstrap_type = "fnw11",
  p_val_type = "two-tailed",
  tol = 1e-06,
  maxiter = 10,
  sampling = "dqrng",
  nthreads = getBoottest_nthreads(),
  ssc = boot_ssc(adj = TRUE, fixef.K = "none", cluster.adj = TRUE, cluster.df =
    "conventional"),
  engine = getBoottest_engine(),
  floattype = "Float64",
 maxmatsize = FALSE,
  bootstrapc = FALSE,
  getauxweights = FALSE,
)
```

Arguments

object An object of class felm

param A character vector or rhs formula. The name of the regression coefficient(s) for

which the hypothesis is to be tested

B Integer. The number of bootstrap iterations. When the number of clusters is low,

increasing B adds little additional runtime.

clustid A character vector or rhs formula containing the names of the cluster variables.

If NULL, a heteroskedasticity-robust (HC1) wild bootstrap is run.

bootcluster A character vector or rhs formula of length 1. Specifies the bootstrap clus-

tering variable or variables. If more than one variable is specified, then bootstrapping is clustered by the intersections of clustering implied by the listed variables. To mimic the behavior of stata's boottest command, the default is to cluster by the intersection of all the variables specified via the clustid argument, even though that is not necessarily recommended (see the paper by Roodman et al cited below, section 4.2). Other options include "min", where bootstrapping is clustered by the cluster variable with the fewest clusters. Further, the subcluster bootstrap (MacKinnon & Webb, 2018) is supported - see the vignette("fwildclusterboot", package = "fwildclusterboot") for details.

fe A character vector or rhs formula of length one which contains the name of the

fixed effect to be projected out in the bootstrap. Note: if regression weights are

used, fe needs to be NULL.

conf_int A logical vector. If TRUE, boottest computes confidence intervals by test inver-

sion. If FALSE, only the p-value is returned.

R Hypothesis Vector giving linear combinations of coefficients. Must be either

NULL or a vector of the same length as param. If NULL, a vector of ones of

length param.

r A numeric. Shifts the null hypothesis H0: param = r vs H1: param != r

beta0 Deprecated function argument. Replaced by function argument 'r'.

sign_level A numeric between 0 and 1 which sets the significance level of the inference

procedure. E.g. sign_level = 0.05 returns 0.95% confidence intervals. By de-

fault, $sign_level = 0.05$.

type character or function. The character string specifies the type of boostrap to

use: One of "rademacher", "mammen", "norm" and "webb". Alternatively, type can be a function(n) for drawing wild bootstrap factors. "rademacher" by default. For the Rademacher distribution, if the number of replications B exceeds the number of possible draw ombinations, $2^{\text{(#number of clusters)}}$, then

boottest() will use each possible combination once (enumeration).

impose_null Logical. Controls if the null hypothesis is imposed on the bootstrap dgp or not.

Null imposed (WCR) by default. If FALSE, the null is not imposed (WCU)

bootstrap_type Determines which wild cluster bootstrap type should be run. Options are "fnw11","11",

"13", "31" and "33" for the wild cluster bootstrap and "11" and "31" for the het-

eroskedastic bootstrap. For more information, see the details section. "fnw11" is the default for the cluster bootstrap, which runs a "11" type wild cluster bootstrap via the algorithm outlined in "fast and wild" (Roodman et al (2019)). "11"

is the default for the heteroskedastic bootstrap.

p_val_type Character vector of length 1. Type of p-value. By default "two-tailed". Other options include "equal-tailed", ">" and "<".

Numeric vector of length 1. The desired accuracy (convergence tolerance) used in the root finding procedure to find the confidence interval. 1e-6 by default.

Integer. Maximum number of iterations used in the root finding procedure to find the confidence interval. 10 by default.

'dqrng' or 'standard'. If 'dqrng', the 'dqrng' package is used for random number generation (when available). If 'standard', functions from the 'stats' package are used when available. This argument is mostly a convenience to control random number generation in a wrapper package around fwildclusterboot, wildrwolf. I recommend to use the fast' option.

The number of threads. Can be: a) an integer lower than, or equal to, the maximum number of threads; b) 0: meaning all available threads will be used; c) a number strictly between 0 and 1 which represents the fraction of all threads to use. The default is to use 1 core.

An object of class boot_ssc.type obtained with the function boot_ssc(). Represents how the small sample adjustments are computed. The defaults are adj = TRUE, fixef.K = "none", cluster.adj = "TRUE", cluster.df = "conventional". You can find more details in the help file for boot_ssc(). The function is purposefully designed to mimic fixest's fixest::ssc() function.

Character scalar. Either "R" or "WildBootTests.jl". Controls the algorithm employed by boottest. "R" is the default and implements the cluster bootstrap as in Roodman (2019). "WildBootTests.jl" executes the wild cluster bootstrap by via the WildBootTests.jl package. For it to run, Julia and WildBootTests.jl need to be installed. Check out the set_up_ ... functions The "fast and wild" algorithm is extremely fast for small number of clusters, but because it is fully vectorized, very memory-demanding. For large number of clusters and large number of bootstrap iterations, the fast and wild algorithm becomes infeasible. If a out-of-memory error # occurs, the "lean" algorithm is a memory friendly, but less performant rcpp-armadillo based implementation of the wild cluster bootstrap. Note that if no cluster is provided, boottest() always defaults to the "lean" algorithm. Note that you can set the employed algorithm globally by using the setBoottest_engine() function.

Float64 by default. Other option: Float32. Should floating point numbers in Julia be represented as 32 or 64 bit? Only relevant when 'engine = "Wild-BootTests.il"'

NULL by default = no limit. Else numeric scalar to set the maximum size of auxilliary weight matrix (v), in gigabytes. Only relevant when 'engine = "Wild-BootTests.jl"'

Logical scalar, FALSE by default. TRUE to request bootstrap-c instead of bootstrap-t. Only relevant when 'engine = "WildBootTests.jl"'

Logical. Whether to save auxilliary weight matrix (v) Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

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Value

An object of class boottest

The bootstrap p-value. p_val

conf_int The bootstrap confidence interval.

The tested parameter. param

Sample size. Might differ from the regression sample size if the cluster variables

contain NA values.

boot_iter Number of Bootstrap Iterations. clustid Names of the cluster Variables.

N_G Dimension of the cluster variables as used in boottest.

Significance level used in boottest. sign_level

Distribution of the bootstrap weights. impose_null Whether the null was imposed on the bootstrap dgp or not.

The vector "R" in the null hypothesis of interest Rbeta = r.

The scalar "r" in the null hypothesis of interest Rbeta = r.

point_estimate R'beta. A scalar: the constraints vector times the regression coefficients.

grid_vals All t-statistics calculated while calculating the confidence interval.

p_grid_vals All p-values calculated while calculating the confidence interval.

t_stat The 'original' regression test statistics.

t_boot All bootstrap t-statistics.

regression The regression object used in boottest.

call Function call of boottest.

The employed bootstrap algorithm. engine nthreads The number of threads employed.

Setting Seeds

type

To guarantee reproducibility, you need to set a global random seed via

- set.seed() when using
 - 1. the lean algorithm (via engine = "R-lean") including the heteroskedastic wild bootstrap
 - 2. the wild cluster bootstrap via engine = "R" with Mammen weights or
 - 3. engine = "WildBootTests.jl"
- dqrng::dqset.seed() when using engine = "R" for Rademacher, Webb or Normal weights

Confidence Intervals

boottest computes confidence intervals by inverting p-values. In practice, the following procedure is used:

- Based on an initial guess for starting values, calculate p-values for 26 equal spaced points between the starting values.
- Out of the 26 calculated p-values, find the two pairs of values x for which the corresponding p-values px cross the significance level sign_level.
- Feed the two pairs of x into an numerical root finding procedure and solve for the root. boottest currently relies on stats::uniroot and sets an absolute tolerance of 1e-06 and stops the procedure after 10 iterations.

Standard Errors

boottest does not calculate standard errors.

Stata, Julia and Python Implementations

The fast wild cluster bootstrap algorithms are further implemented in the following software packages:

- Stata:boottest
- Julia:WildBootTests.jl
- Python:wildboottest

References

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Examples

```
## Not run:
 requireNamespace("lfe")
 data(voters)
 felm_fit <- felm(proposition_vote ~ treatment + ideology1 + log_income |</pre>
    Q1_immigration,
 data = voters
 )
 boot1 <- boottest(felm_fit,</pre>
   B = 9999,
   param = "treatment",
   clustid = "group_id1"
 boot2 <- boottest(felm_fit,</pre>
   B = 9999,
   param = "treatment",
   clustid = c("group_id1", "group_id2")
 boot3 <- boottest(felm_fit,</pre>
   B = 9999,
   param = "treatment",
   clustid = c("group_id1", "group_id2"),
   fe = "Q1_immigration"
 boot4 <- boottest(felm_fit,</pre>
   B = 999,
   param = "treatment",
   clustid = c("group_id1", "group_id2"),
   fe = "Q1_immigration",
   sign_level = 0.2,
   r = 2
 # test treatment + ideology1 = 2
 boot5 <- boottest(felm_fit,</pre>
   B = 9999,
   clustid = c("group_id1", "group_id2"),
   param = c("treatment", "ideology1"),
   R = c(1, 1),
   r = 2
 )
 summary(boot1)
 print(boot1)
 plot(boot1)
 nobs(boot1)
 pval(boot1)
 confint(boot1)
 generics::tidy(boot1)
# run different bootstrap types following MacKinnon, Nielsen & Webb (2022):
# default: the fnw algorithm
boot_fnw11 <- boottest(lm_fit,</pre>
```

```
B = 9999,
  param = "treatment",
  clustid = "group_id1",
  bootstrap_type = "fnw11"
)
# WCR 31
boot_WCR31 <- boottest(lm_fit,</pre>
  B = 9999,
  param = "treatment",
  clustid = "group_id1",
  bootstrap_type = "31"
)
# WCU33
boot_WCR31 <- boottest(lm_fit,</pre>
  B = 9999,
  param = "treatment",
  clustid = "group_id1",
  bootstrap_type = "33",
  impose_null = FALSE
)
## End(Not run)
```

boottest.fixest

Fast wild cluster bootstrap inference for object of class fixest

Description

boottest.fixest is a S3 method that allows for fast wild cluster bootstrap inference for objects of class fixest by implementing fast wild bootstrap algorithms as developed in Roodman et al., 2019 and MacKinnon, Nielsen & Webb (2022).

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'fixest'
boottest(
  object,
  param,
  B,
  clustid = NULL,
  bootcluster = "max",
  fe = NULL,
  sign_level = 0.05,
  conf_int = TRUE,
  R = NULL,
  r = 0,
```

```
beta0 = NULL,
  type = "rademacher",
  impose_null = TRUE,
  bootstrap_type = "fnw11",
  p_val_type = "two-tailed",
  tol = 1e-06,
 maxiter = 10,
  sampling = "dqrng",
  nthreads = getBoottest_nthreads(),
  ssc = boot_ssc(adj = TRUE, fixef.K = "none", cluster.adj = TRUE, cluster.df =
    "conventional"),
  engine = getBoottest_engine(),
  floattype = "Float64",
 maxmatsize = FALSE,
 bootstrapc = FALSE,
  getauxweights = FALSE,
)
```

Arguments

object An object of class fixest and estimated via fixest::feols(). Non-linear mod-

els are not supported.

A character vector or rhs formula. The name of the regression coefficient(s) for param

which the hypothesis is to be tested

В Integer. The number of bootstrap iterations. When the number of clusters is low,

increasing B adds little additional runtime.

A character vector or rhs formula containing the names of the cluster variables. clustid

If NULL, a heteroskedasticity-robust (HC1) wild bootstrap is run.

bootcluster A character vector or rhs formula of length 1. Specifies the bootstrap clus-

> tering variable or variables. If more than one variable is specified, then bootstrapping is clustered by the intersections of clustering implied by the listed variables. To mimic the behavior of stata's boottest command, the default is to cluster by the intersection of all the variables specified via the clustid argument, even though that is not necessarily recommended (see the paper by Roodman et al cited below, section 4.2). Other options include "min", where bootstrapping is clustered by the cluster variable with the fewest clusters. Further, the subcluster bootstrap (MacKinnon & Webb, 2018) is supported - see the vignette("fwildclusterboot", package = "fwildclusterboot") for details.

A character vector or rhs formula of length one which contains the name of the fe fixed effect to be projected out in the bootstrap. Note: if regression weights are

used, fe needs to be NULL.

sign_level A numeric between 0 and 1 which sets the significance level of the inference

procedure. E.g. sign_level = 0.05 returns 0.95% confidence intervals. By de-

fault, $sign_level = 0.05$.

A logical vector. If TRUE, boottest computes confidence intervals by test inver-

sion. If FALSE, only the p-value is returned.

conf_int

R Hypothesis Vector giving linear combinations of coefficients. Must be either NULL or a vector of the same length as param. If NULL, a vector of ones of length param. A numeric. Shifts the null hypothesis H0: param = r vs H1: param != rDeprecated function argument. Replaced by function argument 'r'. beta0 type character or function. The character string specifies the type of boostrap to use: One of "rademacher", "mammen", "norm" and "webb". Alternatively, type can be a function(n) for drawing wild bootstrap factors. "rademacher" by default. For the Rademacher distribution, if the number of replications B exceeds the number of possible draw ombinations, 2^(#number of clusters), then boottest() will use each possible combination once (enumeration). impose_null Logical. Controls if the null hypothesis is imposed on the bootstrap dgp or not. Null imposed (WCR) by default. If FALSE, the null is not imposed (WCU) Determines which wild cluster bootstrap type should be run. Options are "fnw11", "11", bootstrap_type "13", "31" and "33" for the wild cluster bootstrap and "11" and "31" for the heteroskedastic bootstrap. For more information, see the details section. "fnw11" is the default for the cluster bootstrap, which runs a "11" type wild cluster bootstrap via the algorithm outlined in "fast and wild" (Roodman et al (2019)). "11" is the default for the heteroskedastic bootstrap. Character vector of length 1. Type of p-value. By default "two-tailed". Other p_val_type options include "equal-tailed", ">" and "<". tol Numeric vector of length 1. The desired accuracy (convergence tolerance) used in the root finding procedure to find the confidence interval. 1e-6 by default. maxiter Integer. Maximum number of iterations used in the root finding procedure to find the confidence interval. 10 by default. 'dgrng' or 'standard'. If 'dqrng', the 'dqrng' package is used for random numsampling ber generation (when available). If 'standard', functions from the 'stats' package are used when available. This argument is mostly a convenience to control random number generation in a wrapper package around fwildclusterboot, wildrwolf. I recommend to use the fast' option. nthreads The number of threads. Can be: a) an integer lower than, or equal to, the maximum number of threads; b) 0: meaning all available threads will be used; c) a number strictly between 0 and 1 which represents the fraction of all threads to use. The default is to use 1 core. ssc An object of class boot_ssc.type obtained with the function boot_ssc(). Represents how the small sample adjustments are computed. The defaults are adj = TRUE, fixef.K = "none", cluster.adj = "TRUE", cluster.df = "conventional". You can find more details in the help file for boot_ssc(). The function is purposefully designed to mimic fixest's fixest::ssc() function. Character scalar. Either "R", "R-lean" or "WildBootTests.jl". Controls if boottest() engine should run via its native R implementation or WildBootTests.jl. "R" is the default and implements the cluster bootstrap as in Roodman (2019). "Wild-BootTests.jl" executes the wild cluster bootstrap via the WildBootTests.jl pack-

age. For it to run, Julia and WildBootTests.jl need to be installed. The "R-lean"

> algorithm is a memory friendly, but less performant rcpp-armadillo based implementation of the wild cluster bootstrap. Note that if no cluster is provided, boottest() always defaults to the "lean" algorithm. You can set the employed

algorithm globally by using the setBoottest_engine() function.

floattype Float64 by default. Other option: Float32. Should floating point numbers in

Julia be represented as 32 or 64 bit? Only relevant when 'engine = "Wild-

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NULL by default = no limit. Else numeric scalar to set the maximum size of maxmatsize

auxilliary weight matrix (v), in gigabytes. Only relevant when 'engine = "Wild-

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Logical scalar, FALSE by default. TRUE to request bootstrap-c instead of bootstrapc

bootstrap-t. Only relevant when 'engine = "WildBootTests.jl"'

Logical. Whether to save auxilliary weight matrix (v) getauxweights

Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

An object of class boottest

p_val The bootstrap p-value.

conf_int The bootstrap confidence interval.

The tested parameter. param

Sample size. Might differ from the regression sample size if the cluster variables

contain NA values.

Number of Bootstrap Iterations. boot_iter clustid Names of the cluster Variables.

Dimension of the cluster variables as used in boottest. N_G

sign_level Significance level used in boottest. type Distribution of the bootstrap weights.

impose_null Whether the null was imposed on the bootstrap dgp or not. The vector "R" in the null hypothesis of interest Rbeta = r. The scalar "r" in the null hypothesis of interest Rbeta = r.

point_estimate R'beta. A scalar: the constraints vector times the regression coefficients.

grid_vals All t-statistics calculated while calculating the confidence interval. p_grid_vals All p-values calculated while calculating the confidence interval.

The 'original' regression test statistics. t_stat

t_boot All bootstrap t-statistics.

The regression object used in boottest. regression

Function call of boottest. call

engine The employed bootstrap algorithm. nthreads The number of threads employed.

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Examples

```
## Not run:
requireNamespace("fixest")
requireNamespace("fwildclusterboot")
data(voters)
feols_fit <- feols(proposition_vote ~ treatment + ideology1 + log_income,</pre>
 fixef = "Q1_immigration",
 data = voters
boot1 <- boottest(feols_fit,</pre>
 B = 9999,
 param = "treatment",
clustid = "group_id1"
boot2 <- boottest(feols_fit,</pre>
B = 9999.
param = "treatment",
clustid = c("group_id1", "group_id2")
boot3 <- boottest(feols_fit,</pre>
  B = 9999,
  param = "treatment",
  clustid = c("group_id1", "group_id2"),
  fe = "Q1_immigration"
boot4 <- boottest(feols_fit,</pre>
  B = 9999,
  param = "treatment",
  clustid = c("group_id1", "group_id2"),
  fe = "Q1_immigration",
  sign_level = 0.2,
  r = 2
)
# test treatment + ideology1 = 2
boot5 <- boottest(feols_fit,</pre>
  B = 9999,
  clustid = c("group_id1", "group_id2"),
  param = c("treatment", "ideology1"),
 R = c(1, 1),
  r = 2
)
```

```
summary(boot1)
print(boot1)
plot(boot1)
nobs(boot1)
pval(boot1)
confint(boot1)
generics::tidy(boot1)
# run different bootstrap types following MacKinnon, Nielsen & Webb (2022):
# default: the fnw algorithm
boot_fnw11 <- boottest(lm_fit,</pre>
  B = 9999,
  param = "treatment",
  clustid = "group_id1"
  bootstrap_type = "fnw11"
)
# WCR 31
boot_WCR31 <- boottest(lm_fit,</pre>
  B = 9999,
  param = "treatment",
  clustid = "group_id1",
  bootstrap_type = "31"
)
# WCU33
boot_WCR31 <- boottest(lm_fit,</pre>
  B = 9999,
  param = "treatment",
  clustid = "group_id1",
  bootstrap_type = "33",
  impose_null = FALSE
)
## End(Not run)
```

boottest.ivreg

Fast wild cluster bootstrap inference for object of class lm

Description

boottest.ivreg is a S3 method that allows for fast wild cluster bootstrap inference for objects of class ivreg by implementing the fast wild bootstrap algorithm developed in Roodman et al., 2019 for instrumental variable models (WRE, Davidson & McKinnon, 2010)

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ivreg'
boottest(
  object,
  clustid,
  param,
 В,
 bootcluster = "max",
  conf_int = TRUE,
 R = NULL
  r = 0,
  sign_level = 0.05,
  type = "rademacher",
  impose_null = TRUE,
  p_val_type = "two-tailed",
  tol = 1e-06,
  floattype = "Float64",
  getauxweights = FALSE,
 maxmatsize = NULL,
  bootstrapc = FALSE,
  liml = FALSE,
  fuller = NULL,
  kappa = NULL,
  arubin = FALSE,
  ssc = boot_ssc(adj = TRUE, fixef.K = "none", cluster.adj = TRUE, cluster.df =
    "conventional"),
)
```

Arguments

object An object of class lm

clustid A character vector or rhs formula containing the names of the cluster variables

param A character vector or rhs formula of length one. The name of the regression

coefficient for which the hypothesis is to be tested

B Integer. The number of bootstrap iterations. When the number of clusters is low,

increasing B adds little additional runtime

bootcluster A character vector or rhs formula of length 1. Specifies the bootstrap clus-

tering variable or variables. If more than one variable is specified, then bootstrapping is clustered by the intersections of clustering implied by the listed variables. To mimic the behavior of stata's boottest command, the default is to cluster by the intersection of all the variables specified via the clustid argument, even though that is not necessarily recommended (see the paper by Roodman et al cited below, section 4.2). Other options include "min", where bootstrapping is clustered by the cluster variable with the fewest clusters. Further, the subcluster bootstrap (MacKinnon & Webb, 2018) is supported - see the vignette("fwildclusterboot", package = "fwildclusterboot") for details.

conf_int A logical vector. If TRUE, boottest computes confidence intervals by test inversion. If FALSE, only the p-value is returned. R Hypothesis Vector giving linear combinations of coefficients. Must be either NULL or a vector of the same length as param. If NULL, a vector of ones of length param. A numeric. Shifts the null hypothesis H0: param = r vs H1: param != r sign_level A numeric between 0 and 1 which sets the significance level of the inference procedure. E.g. sign_level = 0.05 returns 0.95% confidence intervals. By default, $sign_level = 0.05$. character or function. The character string specifies the type of boostrap to use: type One of "rademacher", "mammen", "norm", "gamma" and "webb". Alternatively, type can be a function(n) for drawing wild bootstrap factors. "rademacher" by default. For the Rademacher and Mammen distribution, if the number of replications B exceeds the number of possible draw ombinations, 2[^](#number of clusters), then boottest() will use each possible combination once (enumera-Logical. Controls if the null hypothesis is imposed on the bootstrap dgp or not. impose_null Null imposed (WCR) by default. If FALSE, the null is not imposed (WCU) Character vector of length 1. Type of p-value. By default "two-tailed". Other p_val_type options include "equal-tailed", ">" and "<". tol Numeric vector of length 1. The desired accuracy (convergence tolerance) used in the root finding procedure to find the confidence interval. Relative tolerance of 1e-6 by default. floattype Float64 by default. Other option: Float32. Should floating point numbers in Julia be represented as 32 or 64 bit? getauxweights Logical. FALSE by default. Whether to save auxilliary weight matrix (v) maxmatsize NULL by default = no limit. Else numeric scalar to set the maximum size of auxilliary weight matrix (v), in gigabytes Logical scalar, FALSE by default. TRUE to request bootstrap-c instead of bootstrapc bootstrap-t liml Logical scalar. False by default. TRUE for liml or fuller liml fuller NULL by default. Numeric scalar. fuller liml factor Null by default. fixed <U+03BA> for k-class estimation kappa False by default. Logical scalar. TRUE for Anderson-Rubin Test. arubin An object of class boot_ssc.type obtained with the function boot_ssc(). SSC Represents how the small sample adjustments are computed. The defaults are adj = TRUE, fixef.K = "none", cluster.adj = "TRUE", cluster.df = "conventional". You can find more details in the help file for boot_ssc(). The function is purposefully designed to mimic fixest's fixest::ssc() function.

Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

An object of class boottest

p_val The bootstrap p-value.

conf_int The bootstrap confidence interval.

param The tested parameter.

N Sample size. Might differ from the regression sample size if the cluster variables

contain NA values.

boot_iter Number of Bootstrap Iterations.
clustid Names of the cluster Variables.

N_G Dimension of the cluster variables as used in boottest.

sign_level Significance level used in boottest.
type Distribution of the bootstrap weights.

impose_null Whether the null was imposed on the bootstrap dgp or not.

R The vector "R" in the null hypothesis of interest Rbeta = r.

r The scalar "r" in the null hypothesis of interest Rbeta = r.

point_estimate R'beta. A scalar: the constraints vector times the regression coefficients.

grid_vals All t-statistics calculated while calculating the confidence interval.

p_grid_vals All p-values calculated while calculating the confidence interval.

t_stat The 'original' regression test statistics.

t_boot All bootstrap t-statistics.

regression The regression object used in boottest.

call Function call of boottest.

engine The employed bootstrap algorithm.

nthreads The number of threads employed.

Setting Seeds

To guarantee reproducibility, you need to set a global random seed via set.seed()

References

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Examples

```
## Not run:
requireNamespace("ivreg")
requireNamespace("fwildclusterboot")
# drop all NA values from SchoolingReturns
SchoolingReturns <- na.omit(SchoolingReturns)</pre>
ivreg_fit <- ivreg(log(wage) ~ education + age +</pre>
 ethnicity + smsa + south + parents14 |
 nearcollege + age + ethnicity + smsa
    + south + parents14,
data = SchoolingReturns
boot_ivreg <- boottest(</pre>
 object = ivreg_fit,
 B = 999,
 param = "education",
 clustid = "kww",
 type = "mammen",
 impose_null = TRUE
summary(boot_ivreg)
print(boot_ivreg)
plot(boot_ivreg)
nobs(boot_ivreg)
pval(boot_ivreg)
confint(boot_ivreg)
generics::tidy(boot_ivreg)
## End(Not run)
```

Description

boottest.1m is a S3 method that allows for fast wild cluster bootstrap inference for objects of class lm by implementing fast wild bootstrap algorithms as developed in Roodman et al., 2019 and MacKinnon, Nielsen & Webb (2022).

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'lm'
boottest(
  object,
  param,
 В,
  clustid = NULL,
  bootcluster = "max",
  conf_int = TRUE,
 R = NULL,
  r = 0,
  beta0 = NULL,
  sign_level = 0.05,
  type = "rademacher",
  impose_null = TRUE,
  bootstrap_type = "fnw11",
  p_val_type = "two-tailed",
  tol = 1e-06,
 maxiter = 10,
  sampling = "dqrng",
  nthreads = getBoottest_nthreads(),
  ssc = boot_ssc(adj = TRUE, fixef.K = "none", cluster.adj = TRUE, cluster.df =
    "conventional"),
  engine = getBoottest_engine(),
  floattype = "Float64",
 maxmatsize = FALSE,
 bootstrapc = FALSE,
  getauxweights = FALSE,
)
```

Arguments

object	An object of class lm
param	A character vector or rhs formula. The name of the regression coefficient(s) for which the hypothesis is to be tested
В	Integer. The number of bootstrap iterations. When the number of clusters is low, increasing B adds little additional runtime.
clustid	A character vector or rhs formula containing the names of the cluster variables. If NULL, a heteroskedasticity-robust (HC1) wild bootstrap is run.

bootcluster

A character vector or rhs formula of length 1. Specifies the bootstrap clustering variable or variables. If more than one variable is specified, then bootstrapping is clustered by the intersections of clustering implied by the listed variables. To mimic the behavior of stata's boottest command, the default is to cluster by the intersection of all the variables specified via the clustid argument, even though that is not necessarily recommended (see the paper by Roodman et al cited below, section 4.2). Other options include "min", where bootstrapping is clustered by the cluster variable with the fewest clusters. Further, the subcluster bootstrap (MacKinnon & Webb, 2018) is supported - see the vignette("fwildclusterboot", package = "fwildclusterboot") for details.

conf_int

A logical vector. If TRUE, boottest computes confidence intervals by test inversion. If FALSE, only the p-value is returned.

R

Hypothesis Vector giving linear combinations of coefficients. Must be either NULL or a vector of the same length as param. If NULL, a vector of ones of length param.

r

A numeric. Shifts the null hypothesis H0: param = r vs H1: param != r

beta0

Deprecated function argument. Replaced by function argument 'r'.

sign_level

A numeric between 0 and 1 which sets the significance level of the inference procedure. E.g. $sign_level = 0.05$ returns 0.95% confidence intervals. By default, $sign_level = 0.05$.

type

character or function. The character string specifies the type of boostrap to use: One of "rademacher", "mammen", "norm" and "webb". Alternatively, type can be a function(n) for drawing wild bootstrap factors. "rademacher" by default. For the Rademacher distribution, if the number of replications B exceeds the number of possible draw ombinations, 2^(#number of clusters), then boottest() will use each possible combination once (enumeration).

impose_null

Logical. Controls if the null hypothesis is imposed on the bootstrap dgp or not. Null imposed (WCR) by default. If FALSE, the null is not imposed (WCU)

bootstrap_type

Determines which wild cluster bootstrap type should be run. Options are "fnw11","11", "13", "31" and "33" for the wild cluster bootstrap and "11" and "31" for the heteroskedastic bootstrap. For more information, see the details section. "fnw11" is the default for the cluster bootstrap, which runs a "11" type wild cluster bootstrap via the algorithm outlined in "fast and wild" (Roodman et al (2019)). "11" is the default for the heteroskedastic bootstrap.

p_val_type

Character vector of length 1. Type of p-value. By default "two-tailed". Other options include "equal-tailed", ">" and "<".

tol

Numeric vector of length 1. The desired accuracy (convergence tolerance) used in the root finding procedure to find the confidence interval. 1e-6 by default.

maxiter

Integer. Maximum number of iterations used in the root finding procedure to find the confidence interval. 10 by default.

sampling

'dqrng' or 'standard'. If 'dqrng', the 'dqrng' package is used for random number generation (when available). If 'standard', functions from the 'stats' package are used when available. This argument is mostly a convenience to control random number generation in a wrapper package around fwildclusterboot, wildrwolf. I recommend to use the fast' option.

nthreads The number of threads. Can be: a) an integer lower than, or equal to, the max-

imum number of threads; b) 0: meaning all available threads will be used; c) a number strictly between 0 and 1 which represents the fraction of all threads to

use. The default is to use 1 core.

An object of class boot_ssc.type obtained with the function boot_ssc().

Represents how the small sample adjustments are computed. The defaults are

adj = TRUE, fixef.K = "none", cluster.adj = "TRUE", cluster.df = "conventional".

You can find more details in the help file for boot_ssc(). The function is pur-

posefully designed to mimic fixest's fixest::ssc() function.

engine Character scalar. Either "R", "R-lean" or "WildBootTests.jl". Controls if boottest()

should run via its native R implementation or WildBootTests.jl. "R" is the default and implements the cluster bootstrap as in Roodman (2019). "WildBootTests.jl" executes the wild cluster bootstrap via the WildBootTests.jl package. For it to run, Julia and WildBootTests.jl need to be installed. The "R-lean" algorithm is a memory friendly, but less performant rcpp-armadillo based implementation of the wild cluster bootstrap. Note that if no cluster is provided, boottest() always defaults to the "lean" algorithm. You can set the employed

algorithm globally by using the setBoottest_engine() function.

floattype Float64 by default. Other option: Float32. Should floating point numbers

in Julia be represented as 32 or 64 bit? Only relevant when 'engine= "Wild-

BootTests.jl"'

maxmatsize NULL by default = no limit. Else numeric scalar to set the maximum size of

auxilliary weight matrix (v), in gigabytes. Only relevant when 'engine= "Wild-

BootTests.jl"'

bootstrapc Logical scalar, FALSE by default. TRUE to request bootstrap-c instead of

bootstrap-t. Only relevant when 'engine = "WildBootTests.jl"'

getauxweights Logical. Whether to save auxilliary weight matrix (v)

. . . Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

An object of class boottest

p_val The bootstrap p-value.

conf_int The bootstrap confidence interval.

param The tested parameter.

N Sample size. Might differ from the regression sample size if the cluster variables

contain NA values.

boot_iter Number of Bootstrap Iterations.
clustid Names of the cluster Variables.

N_G Dimension of the cluster variables as used in boottest.

sign_level Significance level used in boottest.
type Distribution of the bootstrap weights.

impose_null Whether the null was imposed on the bootstrap dgp or not.

R The vector "R" in the null hypothesis of interest Rbeta = r.

r The scalar "r" in the null hypothesis of interest Rbeta = r.

point_estimate R'beta. A scalar: the constraints vector times the regression coefficients.

grid_vals All t-statistics calculated while calculating the confidence interval.

p_grid_vals All p-values calculated while calculating the confidence interval.

t_stat The 'original' regression test statistics.

t_boot All bootstrap t-statistics.

regression The regression object used in boottest.

call Function call of boottest.

engine The employed bootstrap algorithm.

nthreads The number of threads employed.

Setting Seeds

To guarantee reproducibility, you need to set a global random seed via

- set.seed() when using
 - 1. the lean algorithm (via engine = "R-lean") including the heteroskedastic wild bootstrap
 - 2. the wild cluster bootstrap via engine = "R" with Mammen weights or
 - 3. engine = "WildBootTests.jl"
- dqrng::dqset.seed() when using engine = "R" for Rademacher, Webb or Normal weights

Via the engine function argument, it is possible to specify different variants of the wild cluster bootstrap, and if the algorithm should be run via R or WildBootTests.jl.

Confidence Intervals

boottest computes confidence intervals by inverting p-values. In practice, the following procedure is used:

- Based on an initial guess for starting values, calculate p-values for 26 equal spaced points between the starting values.
- Out of the 26 calculated p-values, find the two pairs of values x for which the corresponding p-values px cross the significance level sign_level.
- Feed the two pairs of x into an numerical root finding procedure and solve for the root. boottest currently relies on stats::uniroot and sets an absolute tolerance of 1e-06 and stops the procedure after 10 iterations.

Standard Errors

boottest does not calculate standard errors.

Stata, Julia and Python Implementations

The fast wild cluster bootstrap algorithms are further implemented in the following software packages:

• Stata:boottest

• Julia:WildBootTests.il

• Python:wildboottest

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Webb, Matthew D. Reworking wild bootstrap based inference for clustered errors. No. 1315. Queen's Economics Department Working Paper, 2013.

Examples

```
## Not run:
requireNamespace("fwildclusterboot")
data(voters)
lm_fit <- lm(proposition_vote ~ treatment + ideology1 + log_income +
    Q1_immigration,
data = voters
)
boot1 <- boottest(lm_fit,
    B = 9999,
    param = "treatment",
    clustid = "group_id1"
)
boot2 <- boottest(lm_fit,
    B = 9999,
    param = "treatment",
    clustid = c("group_id1", "group_id2")</pre>
```

```
boot3 <- boottest(lm_fit,</pre>
 B = 9999,
  param = "treatment",
  clustid = c("group_id1", "group_id2"),
  sign_level = 0.2,
  r = 2
)
# test treatment + ideology1 = 2
boot4 <- boottest(lm_fit,</pre>
  B = 9999,
 clustid = c("group_id1", "group_id2"),
  param = c("treatment", "ideology1"),
  R = c(1, 1),
 r = 2
)
summary(boot1)
print(boot1)
plot(boot1)
nobs(boot1)
pval(boot1)
confint(boot1)
generics::tidy(boot1)
# run different bootstrap types following MacKinnon, Nielsen & Webb (2022):
# default: the fnw algorithm
boot_fnw11 <- boottest(lm_fit,</pre>
  B = 9999,
  param = "treatment",
  clustid = "group_id1",
  bootstrap_type = "fnw11"
)
# WCR 31
boot_WCR31 <- boottest(lm_fit,</pre>
  B = 9999,
  param = "treatment",
  clustid = "group_id1",
  bootstrap_type = "31"
)
# WCU33
boot_WCR31 <- boottest(lm_fit,</pre>
 B = 9999,
  param = "treatment",
  clustid = "group_id1",
  bootstrap_type = "33",
  impose_null = FALSE
)
## End(Not run)
```

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boot_aggregate

Simple tool that aggregates the value of CATT coefficients in staggered difference-in-difference setups with inference based on a wild cluster bootstrap (see details) - similar to fixest::aggregate()

Description

This is a function helping to replicate the estimator from Sun and Abraham (2021, Journal of Econometrics). You first need to perform an estimation with cohort and relative periods dummies (typically using the function i), this leads to estimators of the cohort average treatment effect on the treated (CATT). Then you can use this function to retrieve the average treatment effect on each relative period, or for any other way you wish to aggregate the CATT.

Usage

```
boot_aggregate(
  х,
  agg,
  full = FALSE,
  use_weights = TRUE,
  clustid = NULL,
  bootcluster = "max",
  fe = NULL,
  sign_level = 0.05,
  beta0 = NULL,
  type = "rademacher",
  impose_null = TRUE,
  bootstrap_type = "fnw11",
  p_val_type = "two-tailed",
  nthreads = getBoottest_nthreads(),
  tol = 1e-06,
 maxiter = 10,
  ssc = boot_ssc(adj = TRUE, fixef.K = "none", cluster.adj = TRUE, cluster.df =
    "conventional"),
  engine = getBoottest_engine(),
  floattype = "Float64",
 maxmatsize = FALSE,
  bootstrapc = FALSE,
  getauxweights = FALSE,
  sampling = "dqrng",
)
```

Arguments

An object of type fixest estimated using sunab()

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A character scalar describing the variable names to be aggregated, it is patternagg

based. All variables that match the pattern will be aggregated. It must be of the form "(root)", the parentheses must be there and the resulting variable name will be "root". You can add another root with parentheses: "(root1)regex(root2)", in which case the resulting name is "root1::root2". To name the resulting variable differently you can pass a named vector: c("name" = "pattern") or c("name" = "pattern(root2)"). It's a bit intricate sorry, please see the exam-

ples.

full Logical scalar, defaults to FALSE. If TRUE, then all coefficients are returned, not

only the aggregated coefficients.

Logical, default is TRUE. If the estimation was weighted, whether the aggreuse_weights

gation should take into account the weights. Basically if the weights reflected

frequency it should be TRUE.

clustid A character vector or rhs formula containing the names of the cluster variables.

If NULL, a heteroskedasticity-robust (HC1) wild bootstrap is run.

Integer. The number of bootstrap iterations. When the number of clusters is low,

increasing B adds little additional runtime.

bootcluster A character vector or rhs formula of length 1. Specifies the bootstrap clus-

tering variable or variables. If more than one variable is specified, then bootstrapping is clustered by the intersections of clustering implied by the listed variables. To mimic the behavior of stata's boottest command, the default is to cluster by the intersection of all the variables specified via the clustid argument, even though that is not necessarily recommended (see the paper by Roodman et al cited below, section 4.2). Other options include "min", where bootstrapping is clustered by the cluster variable with the fewest clusters. Further, the subcluster bootstrap (MacKinnon & Webb, 2018) is supported - see the

vignette("fwildclusterboot", package = "fwildclusterboot") for details.

A character vector or rhs formula of length one which contains the name of the fixed effect to be projected out in the bootstrap. Note: if regression weights are

used, fe needs to be NULL.

sign_level A numeric between 0 and 1 which sets the significance level of the inference

procedure. E.g. sign_level = 0.05 returns 0.95% confidence intervals. By de-

fault, $sign_level = 0.05$.

beta0 Deprecated function argument. Replaced by function argument 'r'.

character or function. The character string specifies the type of boostrap to type

> use: One of "rademacher", "mammen", "norm" and "webb". Alternatively, type can be a function(n) for drawing wild bootstrap factors. "rademacher" by default. For the Rademacher distribution, if the number of replications B exceeds the number of possible draw ombinations, 2^(#number of clusters), then

boottest() will use each possible combination once (enumeration).

impose_null Logical. Controls if the null hypothesis is imposed on the bootstrap dgp or not.

Null imposed (WCR) by default. If FALSE, the null is not imposed (WCU)

bootstrap_type Determines which wild cluster bootstrap type should be run. Options are "fnw11",

which runs a "11" type wild cluster bootstrap via the algorithm outlined in "fast

and wild" (Roodman et al (2019)).

В

fe

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options include "equal-tailed", ">" and "<".

The number of threads. Can be: a) an integer lower than, or equal to, the maxnthreads imum number of threads; b) 0: meaning all available threads will be used; c) a number strictly between 0 and 1 which represents the fraction of all threads to use. The default is to use 1 core. tol Numeric vector of length 1. The desired accuracy (convergence tolerance) used in the root finding procedure to find the confidence interval. 1e-6 by default. Integer. Maximum number of iterations used in the root finding procedure to maxiter find the confidence interval. 10 by default. An object of class boot_ssc.type obtained with the function boot_ssc(). SSC Represents how the small sample adjustments are computed. The defaults are adj = TRUE, fixef.K = "none", cluster.adj = "TRUE", cluster.df = "conventional". You can find more details in the help file for boot_ssc(). The function is purposefully designed to mimic fixest's fixest::ssc() function. Character scalar. Either "R", "R-lean" or "WildBootTests.jl". Controls if boottest() engine should run via its native R implementation or WildBootTests.jl. "R" is the default and implements the cluster bootstrap as in Roodman (2019). "Wild-BootTests.jl" executes the wild cluster bootstrap via the WildBootTests.jl package. For it to run, Julia and WildBootTests.il need to be installed. The "R-lean" algorithm is a memory friendly, but less performant rcpp-armadillo based implementation of the wild cluster bootstrap. Note that if no cluster is provided, boottest() always defaults to the "lean" algorithm. You can set the employed algorithm globally by using the setBoottest_engine() function.

Character vector of length 1. Type of p-value. By default "two-tailed". Other

floattype Float64 by default. Other option: Float32. Should floating point numbers in

Julia be represented as 32 or 64 bit? Only relevant when 'engine = "Wild-

BootTests.jl"'

maxmatsize NULL by default = no limit. Else numeric scalar to set the maximum size of

auxilliary weight matrix (v), in gigabytes. Only relevant when 'engine = "Wild-

BootTests.jl"'

bootstrapc Logical scalar, FALSE by default. TRUE to request bootstrap-c instead of

bootstrap-t. Only relevant when 'engine = "WildBootTests.jl"'

getauxweights Logical. Whether to save auxilliary weight matrix (v)

sampling 'dqrng' or 'standard'. If 'dqrng', the 'dqrng' package is used for random num-

ber generation (when available). If 'standard', functions from the 'stats' package are used when available. This argument is mostly a convenience to control random number generation in a wrapper package around fwildclusterboot,

wildrwolf. I recommend to use the fast' option.

... misc function arguments

Details

p_val_type

Note that contrary to the SA article, here the cohort share in the sample is considered to be a perfect measure for the cohort share in the population.

Most of this function is written by Laurent Bergé and used in the fixest package published under GPL-3, https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/fixest/index.html minor changes by Alexander Fischer

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Value

A data frame with aggregated coefficients, p-values and confidence intervals.

Examples

```
## Not run:
if(requireNamespace("fixest")){
library(fixest)
data(base_stagg)
# The DiD estimation
res_sunab = feols(y ~ x1 + sunab(year_treated, year) | id + year, base_stagg)
res_sunab_3ref = feols(y \sim x1 + sunab(
year_treated, year, ref.p = c(.F + 0:2, -1)) |
                        id + year,
                      cluster = "id",
                      base_stagg,
                      ssc = ssc(adj = FALSE, cluster.adj = FALSE))
aggregate(res_sunab, agg = "ATT")
# test ATT equivalence
boot_att <-
boot_aggregate(
   res_sunab,
  B = 9999,
  agg = "ATT"
  clustid = "id"
head(boot_att)
#'boot_agg2 <-
 boot_aggregate(
  res_sunab,
  B = 99999
  agg = TRUE,
   ssc = boot_ssc(adj = FALSE, cluster.adj = FALSE)
}
## End(Not run)
```

boot_ssc

set the small sample correction factor applied in boottest()

Description

set the small sample correction factor applied in boottest()

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Usage

```
boot_ssc(
  adj = TRUE,
  fixef.K = "none",
  cluster.adj = TRUE,
  cluster.df = "conventional"
)
```

Arguments

adj	Logical scalar, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, applies a small sample correction of $(N-1)$ / $(N-k)$ where N is the number of observations and k is the number of estimated coefficients excluding any fixed effects projected out in either fixest::feols() or lfe::felm().
fixef.K	Character scalar, equal to 'none': the fixed effects parameters are discarded when calculating k in $(N-1)$ / $(N-k)$.
cluster.adj	Logical scalar, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, a cluster correction $G/(G-1)$ is performed, with G the number of clusters.
cluster.df	Either "conventional"(the default) or "min". Controls how "G" is computed for multiway clustering if cluster.adj = TRUE. Note that the covariance matrix in the multiway clustering case is of the form $V = V1 + V2 - V12$. If "conventional", then each summand Gi is multiplied with a small sample adjustment Gi / (Gi - 1). If "min", all summands are multiplied with the same value, $\min(G)$ / $\min(G)$ - 1)

Value

A list with encoded info on how to form small sample corrections

Examples

```
boot_ssc(adj = TRUE, cluster.adj = TRUE)
boot_ssc(adj = TRUE, cluster.adj = TRUE, cluster.df = "min")
```

confint.boottest

S3 method to obtain wild cluster bootstrapped confidence intervals

Description

S3 method to obtain wild cluster bootstrapped confidence intervals

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'boottest'
confint(object, ...)
```

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Arguments

object of type boottest... Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

A vector containing the boundaries of the wild cluster bootstrapped confidence interval

Examples

```
requireNamespace("fwildclusterboot")
data(voters)
lm_fit <- lm(
    proposition_vote ~ treatment + ideology1 + log_income + Q1_immigration,
    data = voters
)
boot <- boottest(lm_fit,
    B = 9999,
    param = "treatment",
    clustid = "group_id1"
)
teststat(boot)</pre>
```

find_proglang

Check if julia or python are installed / can be found on the PATH.

Description

Based on Mauro Lepore's great suggestion https://github.com/ropensci/software-review/issues/546#issuecomment-1416728843

Usage

```
find_proglang(lang)
```

Arguments

lang which language to check. Either 'julia' or 'python'

Value

logical. TRUE if lang is found on path, FALSE if not

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Examples

```
## Not run:
find_proglang(lang = "julia")
## End(Not run)
```

glance.boottest

S3 method to glance at objects of class boottest

Description

S3 method to glance at objects of class boottest

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'boottest' glance(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x object of type boottest

... Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

A single row summary "glance" of an object of type boottest - lists characteristics of the input regression model

Examples

```
## Not run:
requireNamespace("fwildclusterboot")
data(voters)
lm_fit <- lm(
proposition_vote ~ treatment + ideology1 + log_income + Q1_immigration,
    data = voters
)
boot <- boottest(lm_fit,
    B = 9999,
    param = "treatment",
    clustid = "group_id1"
)
generics::glance(boot)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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glance.mboottest

S3 method to glance at objects of class boottest

Description

S3 method to glance at objects of class boottest

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mboottest' glance(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x object of type mboottest

... Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

A single row summary "glance" of an object of type boottest - lists characteristics of the input regression model

Examples

```
## Not run:
requireNamespace("fwildclusterboot")
data(voters)
lm_fit <- lm(
proposition_vote ~ treatment + ideology1 + log_income + Q1_immigration,
    data = voters
)
mboot <- mboottest(
    object = lm_fit,
    clustid = "group_id1",
    B = 999,
    R = R
)
generics::glance(mboot)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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	mboottest	Arbitrary Linear Hypothesis Testing for Regression Models via Wald- Tests
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Description

mboottest is a S3 method that allows for arbitrary linear hypothesis testing for objects of class lm, fixest, felm

Usage

```
mboottest(object, ...)
```

Arguments

```
object An object of type lm, fixest or felm ... other arguments
```

Value

An object of class mboottest.

Setting Seeds

To guarantee reproducibility, you can either use boottest()'s seed function argument, or set a global random seed via

- set.seed() when using
 - 1. the lean algorithm (via engine = "R-lean"),
 - 2. the heteroskedastic wild bootstrap
 - 3. the wild cluster bootstrap via engine = "R" with Mammen weights or
 - 4. engine = "WildBootTests.jl"
- dqrng::dqset.seed() when using engine = "R" for Rademacher, Webb or Normal weights

References

Roodman et al., 2019, "Fast and wild: Bootstrap inference in STATA using boottest", The STATA Journal. (https://ideas.repec.org/p/qed/wpaper/1406.html)

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See Also

mboottest.lm mboottest.felm mboottest.fixest

Examples

```
## Not run:
requireNamespace("clubSandwich")
R <- clubSandwich::constrain_zero(2:3, coef(lm_fit))</pre>
wboottest <-
 mboottest(
    object = lm_fit,
    clustid = "group_id1",
   B = 999,
   R = R
 )
summary(wboottest)
print(wboottest)
nobs(wboottest)
pval(wboottest)
generics::tidy(wboottest)
## End(Not run)
```

mboottest.felm

Fast wild cluster bootstrap inference for joint hypotheses for object of class felm

Description

mboottest.felm is a S3 method that allows for fast wild cluster bootstrap inference of multivariate hypotheses for objects of class felm by implementing the fast wild bootstrap algorithm developed in Roodman et al., 2019.

Usage

```
## $3 method for class 'felm'
mboottest(
  object,
  clustid,
```

```
В,
 R,
  r = rep(0, nrow(R)),
  bootcluster = "max",
  fe = NULL,
  type = "rademacher",
  impose_null = TRUE,
  p_val_type = "two-tailed",
  tol = 1e-06,
  floattype = "Float64",
  getauxweights = FALSE,
 maxmatsize = NULL,
  bootstrapc = FALSE,
  ssc = boot_ssc(adj = TRUE, fixef.K = "none", cluster.adj = TRUE, cluster.df =
    "conventional"),
)
```

Arguments

.

object	An object of class felm
clustid	A character vector or rhs formula containing the names of the cluster variables
В	Integer. The number of bootstrap iterations. When the number of clusters is low, increasing B adds little additional runtime.
R	Hypothesis Vector or Matrix giving linear combinations of coefficients. Must be either a vector of length k or a matrix of dimension q x k , where q is the number of joint hypotheses and k the number of estimated coefficients.
r	A vector of length q, where q is the number of tested hypotheses. Shifts the null hypothesis H0: param = r vs H1: param != r. If not provided, a vector of zeros

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of length q.

A character vector or rhs formula of length 1. Specifies the bootstrap clustering variable or variables. If more than one variable is specified, then bootstrapping is clustered by the intersections of clustering implied by the listed variables. To mimic the behavior of stata's boottest command, the default is to cluster by the intersection of all the variables specified via the clustid argument, even though that is not necessarily recommended (see the paper by Roodman et al cited below, section 4.2). Other options include "min", where bootstrapping is clustered by the cluster variable with the fewest clusters. Further, the subcluster bootstrap (MacKinnon & Webb, 2018) is supported - see the vignette("fwildclusterboot", package = "fwildclusterboot") for details.

fe

A character vector or rhs formula of length one which contains the name of the fixed effect to be projected out in the bootstrap. Note: if regression weights are used, fe needs to be NULL.

type

character or function. The character string specifies the type of boostrap to use: One of "rademacher", "mammen", "norm", "gamma" and "webb". Alternatively, type can be a function(n) for drawing wild bootstrap factors. "rademacher" by

default. For the Rademacher and Mammen distribution, if the number of replications B exceeds the number of possible draw ombinations, 2^(#number of clusters), then boottest() will use each possible combination once (enumeration).

tion).

impose_null Logical. Controls if the null hypothesis is imposed on the bootstrap dgp or not.

Null imposed (WCR) by default. If FALSE, the null is not imposed (WCU)

p_val_type Character vector of length 1. Type of p-value. By default "two-tailed". Other

options include "equal-tailed", ">" and "<".

tol Numeric vector of length 1. The desired accuracy (convergence tolerance) used

in the root finding procedure to find the confidence interval. Relative tolerance

of 1e-6 by default.

floattype Float64 by default. Other option: Float32. Should floating point numbers in

Julia be represented as 32 or 64 bit?

getauxweights Logical. FALSE by default. Whether to save auxilliary weight matrix (v)

maxmatsize NULL by default = no limit. Else numeric scalar to set the maximum size of

auxilliary weight matrix (v), in gigabytes

bootstrapc Logical scalar, FALSE by default. TRUE to request bootstrap-c instead of

bootstrap-t

ssc An object of class boot_ssc.type obtained with the function boot_ssc().

Represents how the small sample adjustments are computed. The defaults are

adj = TRUE, fixef.K = "none", cluster.adj = "TRUE", cluster.df = "conventional".

You can find more details in the help file for boot_ssc(). The function is pur-

posefully designed to mimic fixest's fixest::ssc() function.

... Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

An object of class mboottest

p_val The bootstrap p-value.

N Sample size. Might differ from the regression sample size if the cluster variables

contain NA values.

boot_iter Number of Bootstrap Iterations. clustid Names of the cluster Variables.

N_G Dimension of the cluster variables as used in boottest.

sign_level Significance level used in boottest.
type Distribution of the bootstrap weights.

impose_null Whether the null was imposed on the bootstrap dgp or not. R The vector "R" in the null hypothesis of interest Rbeta = r. The scalar "r" in the null hypothesis of interest Rbeta = r.

point_estimate R'beta. A scalar: the constraints vector times the regression coefficients.

teststat_stat The 'original' regression test statistics.

teststat_boot All bootstrap t-statistics.

regression The regression object used in boottest.

call Function call of boottest.

Setting Seeds

To guarantee reproducibility, you need to set a global random seed via set.seed() when using

References

Roodman et al., 2019, "Fast and wild: Bootstrap inference in STATA using boottest", The STATA Journal. (https://ideas.repec.org/p/qed/wpaper/1406.html)

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```
## Not run:
requireNamespace("lfe")
requireNamespace("clubSandwich")
R <- clubSandwich::constrain_zero(2:3, coef(lm_fit))</pre>
wboottest <-
 mboottest(
   object = lm_fit,
   clustid = "group_id1",
   B = 999,
   R = R
 )
summary(wboottest)
print(wboottest)
nobs(wboottest)
pval(wboottest)
generics::tidy(wboottest)
## End(Not run)
```

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mboottest.fixest	Fast wild cluster bootstrap inference for joint hypotheses for object of
	class fixest

Description

mboottest.fixest is a S3 method that allows for fast wild cluster bootstrap inference of multivariate hypotheses for objects of class fixest by implementing the fast wild bootstrap algorithm developed in Roodman et al., 2019.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'fixest'
mboottest(
 object,
  clustid,
 Β,
 R,
  r = rep(0, nrow(R)),
 bootcluster = "max",
  fe = NULL,
  type = "rademacher",
  impose_null = TRUE,
  p_val_type = "two-tailed",
  tol = 1e-06,
  floattype = "Float64",
  getauxweights = FALSE,
 maxmatsize = NULL,
 bootstrapc = FALSE,
  ssc = boot_ssc(adj = TRUE, fixef.K = "none", cluster.adj = TRUE, cluster.df =
    "conventional"),
)
```

Arguments

object	An object of class feols
clustid	A character vector or rhs formula containing the names of the cluster variables
В	Integer. The number of bootstrap iterations. When the number of clusters is low, increasing B adds little additional runtime.
R	Hypothesis Vector or Matrix giving linear combinations of coefficients. Must be either a vector of length k or a matrix of dimension q x k , where q is the number of joint hypotheses and k the number of estimated coefficients.
r	A vector of length q, where q is the number of tested hypotheses. Shifts the null hypothesis H0: param = r vs H1: param != r . If not provided, a vector of zeros of length q.

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bootcluster

A character vector or rhs formula of length 1. Specifies the bootstrap clustering variable or variables. If more than one variable is specified, then bootstrapping is clustered by the intersections of clustering implied by the listed variables. To mimic the behavior of stata's boottest command, the default is to cluster by the intersection of all the variables specified via the clustid argument, even though that is not necessarily recommended (see the paper by Roodman et al cited below, section 4.2). Other options include "min", where bootstrapping is clustered by the cluster variable with the fewest clusters. Further, the subcluster bootstrap (MacKinnon & Webb, 2018) is supported - see the vignette("fwildclusterboot", package = "fwildclusterboot") for details.

fe

A character vector or rhs formula of length one which contains the name of the fixed effect to be projected out in the bootstrap. Note: if regression weights are used, fe needs to be NULL.

type

character or function. The character string specifies the type of boostrap to use: One of "rademacher", "mammen", "norm", "gamma" and "webb". Alternatively, type can be a function(n) for drawing wild bootstrap factors. "rademacher" by default. For the Rademacher and Mammen distribution, if the number of replications B exceeds the number of possible draw ombinations, 2^(#number of possible draw ombinations) clusters), then boottest() will use each possible combination once (enumeration).

impose_null

Logical. Controls if the null hypothesis is imposed on the bootstrap dgp or not. Null imposed (WCR) by default. If FALSE, the null is not imposed (WCU)

p_val_type

Character vector of length 1. Type of p-value. By default "two-tailed". Other

options include "equal-tailed", ">" and "<".

tol

Numeric vector of length 1. The desired accuracy (convergence tolerance) used in the root finding procedure to find the confidence interval. Relative tolerance of 1e-6 by default.

floattype

Float64 by default. Other option: Float32. Should floating point numbers in Julia be represented as 32 or 64 bit?

getauxweights

Logical. FALSE by default. Whether to save auxilliary weight matrix (v)

maxmatsize

NULL by default = no limit. Else numeric scalar to set the maximum size of

auxilliary weight matrix (v), in gigabytes

bootstrapc

Logical scalar, FALSE by default. TRUE to request bootstrap-c instead of

bootstrap-t

SSC

An object of class boot_ssc.type obtained with the function boot_ssc(). Represents how the small sample adjustments are computed. The defaults are

adj = TRUE, fixef.K = "none", cluster.adj = "TRUE", cluster.df = "conventional". You can find more details in the help file for boot_ssc(). The function is pur-

posefully designed to mimic fixest's fixest::ssc() function.

Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

An object of class mboottest

The bootstrap p-value. p_val

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N Sample size. Might differ from the regression sample size if the cluster variables

contain NA values.

boot_iter Number of Bootstrap Iterations.
clustid Names of the cluster Variables.

N_G Dimension of the cluster variables as used in boottest.

sign_level Significance level used in boottest.

type Distribution of the bootstrap weights.

impose_null Whether the null was imposed on the bootstrap dgp or not.

R The vector "R" in the null hypothesis of interest Rbeta = r.

The scalar "r" in the null hypothesis of interest Rbeta = r.

point_estimate R'beta. A scalar: the constraints vector times the regression coefficients.

teststat_boot All bootstrap t-statistics.

regression The regression object used in boottest.

call Function call of boottest.

Setting Seeds

To guarantee reproducibility, you need to set a global random seed viaset.seed()

References

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Webb, Matthew D. "Reworking wild bootstrap based inference for clustered errors". No. 1315. Queen's Economics Department Working Paper, 2013.

Examples

```
## Not run:
requireNamespace("fwildclusterboot")
requireNamespace("clubSandwich")
R <- clubSandwich::constrain_zero(2:3, coef(lm_fit))</pre>
wboottest <-
 mboottest(
   object = lm_fit,
   clustid = "group_id1",
   B = 999,
   R = R
 )
summary(wboottest)
print(wboottest)
nobs(wboottest)
pval(wboottest)
generics::tidy(wboottest)
## End(Not run)
```

mboottest.lm

Fast wild cluster bootstrap inference of joint hypotheses for object of class lm

Description

mboottest.1m is a S3 method that allows for fast wild cluster bootstrap inference of multivariate hypotheses for objects of class lm by implementing the fast wild bootstrap algorithm developed in Roodman et al., 2019.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'lm'
mboottest(
  object,
  clustid,
  B,
  R,
  r = rep(0, nrow(R)),
  bootcluster = "max",
  type = "rademacher",
  impose_null = TRUE,
  p_val_type = "two-tailed",
  tol = 1e-06,
  floattype = "Float64",
  getauxweights = FALSE,
  maxmatsize = NULL,
```

```
bootstrapc = FALSE,
ssc = boot_ssc(adj = TRUE, fixef.K = "none", cluster.adj = TRUE, cluster.df =
    "conventional"),
...
)
```

Arguments

An object of class lm
A character vector or rhs formula containing the names of the cluster variables
Integer. The number of bootstrap iterations. When the number of clusters is low, increasing B adds little additional runtime.
Hypothesis Vector or Matrix giving linear combinations of coefficients. Must be either a vector of length k or a matrix of dimension q x k, where q is the number of joint hypotheses and k the number of estimated coefficients.
A vector of length q, where q is the number of tested hypotheses. Shifts the null hypothesis H0: param = r vs H1: param != r . If not provided, a vector of zeros of length q.
A character vector or rhs formula of length 1. Specifies the bootstrap clustering variable or variables. If more than one variable is specified, then bootstrapping is clustered by the intersections of clustering implied by the listed variables. To mimic the behavior of stata's boottest command, the default is to cluster by the intersection of all the variables specified via the clustid argument, even though that is not necessarily recommended (see the paper by Roodman et al cited below, section 4.2). Other options include "min", where bootstrapping is clustered by the cluster variable with the fewest clusters. Further, the subcluster bootstrap (MacKinnon & Webb, 2018) is supported - see the vignette ("fwildclusterboot", package = "fwildclusterboot") for details.
character or function. The character string specifies the type of boostrap to use: One of "rademacher", "mammen", "norm", "gamma" and "webb". Alternatively, type can be a function(n) for drawing wild bootstrap factors. "rademacher" by default. For the Rademacher and Mammen distribution, if the number of replications B exceeds the number of possible draw ombinations, 2^(#number of clusters), then boottest() will use each possible combination once (enumeration).
Logical. Controls if the null hypothesis is imposed on the bootstrap dgp or not. Null imposed (WCR) by default. If FALSE, the null is not imposed (WCU)
Character vector of length 1. Type of p-value. By default "two-tailed". Other options include "equal-tailed", ">" and "<".
Numeric vector of length 1. The desired accuracy (convergence tolerance) used in the root finding procedure to find the confidence interval. Relative tolerance of 1e-6 by default.
Float64 by default. Other option: Float32. Should floating point numbers in Julia be represented as 32 or 64 bit?
Logical. FALSE by default. Whether to save auxilliary weight matrix (v)

maxmatsize NULL by default = no limit. Else numeric scalar to set the maximum size of

auxilliary weight matrix (v), in gigabytes

bootstrapc Logical scalar, FALSE by default. TRUE to request bootstrap-c instead of

bootstrap-t

ssc An object of class boot_ssc.type obtained with the function boot_ssc().

Represents how the small sample adjustments are computed. The defaults are

adj = TRUE, fixef.K = "none", cluster.adj = "TRUE", cluster.df = "conventional".

You can find more details in the help file for boot_ssc(). The function is pur-

posefully designed to mimic fixest's fixest::ssc() function.

. . . Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

An object of class mboottest

p_val The bootstrap p-value.

N Sample size. Might differ from the regression sample size if the cluster variables

contain NA values.

boot_iter Number of Bootstrap Iterations.
clustid Names of the cluster Variables.

N_G Dimension of the cluster variables as used in boottest.

sign_level Significance level used in boottest.
type Distribution of the bootstrap weights.

impose_null Whether the null was imposed on the bootstrap dgp or not.

R The vector "R" in the null hypothesis of interest Rbeta = r.

The scalar "r" in the null hypothesis of interest Rbeta = r.

point_estimate R'beta. A scalar: the constraints vector times the regression coefficients.

teststat_stat The 'original' regression test statistics.

teststat_boot All bootstrap t-statistics.

regression The regression object used in boottest.

call Function call of boottest.

Setting Seeds

To guarantee reproducibility, you need to set a global random seed via set.seed()

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Examples

```
## Not run:
requireNamespace("clubSandwich")
requireNamespace("fwildclusterboot")
R <- clubSandwich::constrain_zero(2:3, coef(lm_fit))</pre>
wboottest <-
  mboottest(
    object = lm_fit,
    clustid = "group_id1",
    B = 999,
    R = R
  )
summary(wboottest)
print(wboottest)
nobs(wboottest)
pval(wboottest)
generics::tidy(wboottest)
## End(Not run)
```

nobs.boottest

S3 method to obtain the effective number of observation used in boottest()

Description

S3 method to obtain the effective number of observation used in boottest()

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'boottest'
nobs(object, ...)
```

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Arguments

object of type boottest

... Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

A scalar containing the effective number of observations used in boottest()

Examples

```
requireNamespace("fwildclusterboot")
data(voters)
lm_fit <- lm(
proposition_vote ~ treatment + ideology1 + log_income + Q1_immigration,
    data = voters
)
boot <- boottest(lm_fit,
    B = 9999,
    param = "treatment",
    clustid = "group_id1"
)
nobs(boot)</pre>
```

nobs.mboottest

S3 method to obtain the effective number of observation used in mboottest()

Description

S3 method to obtain the effective number of observation used in mboottest()

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mboottest'
nobs(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object of type mboottest

... Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

A scalar containing the effective number of observations used in mboottest()

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Examples

```
## Not run:
requireNamespace("clubSandwich")
R <- clubSandwich::constrain_zero(2:3, coef(lm_fit))
wboottest <-
    mboottest(
    object = lm_fit,
    clustid = "group_id1",
    B = 999,
    R = R
    )
nobs(wboottest)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

plot.boottest

Plot the bootstrap distribution of t-statistics

Description

Plot the bootstrap distribution of t-statistics

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'boottest' plot(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x An object of type boottest

... Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

A plot of bootstrap t-statistics under different null hypotheses

```
requireNamespace("fwildclusterboot")
data(voters)
lm_fit <- lm(
proposition_vote ~ treatment + ideology1 + log_income + Q1_immigration,
    data = voters
)
boot <- boottest(lm_fit,
    B = 9999,
    param = "treatment",
    clustid = "group_id1"</pre>
```

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```
)
plot(boot)
```

print.boottest

S3 method to print key information for objects of type bboottest

Description

S3 method to print key information for objects of type bboottest

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'boottest'
print(x, ..., digits = 4)
```

Arguments

x object of type boottest

... Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

digits Number of rounding digits

Value

A scalar containing the effective number of observations used in mboottest

```
#' requireNamespace("fwildclusterboot")
data(voters)
lm_fit <- lm(
    proposition_vote ~ treatment + ideology1 + log_income + Q1_immigration,
    data = voters
)
boot <- boottest(lm_fit,
    B = 9999,
    param = "treatment",
    clustid = "group_id1"
)
print(boot)</pre>
```

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print.mboottest

S3 method to print key information for objects of type mboottest

Description

S3 method to print key information for objects of type mboottest

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mboottest' print(x, ..., digits = 4)
```

Arguments

x object of type mboottest

Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

digits Number of rounding digits

Value

A scalar containing the effective number of observations used in mboottest

```
## Not run:
requireNamespace("clubSandwich")
R <- clubSandwich::constrain_zero(2:3, coef(lm_fit))
wboottest <-
    mboottest(
    object = lm_fit,
    clustid = "group_id1",
    B = 999,
    R = R
    )
print(wboottest)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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pval

 pval is a S3 method to collect pvalues for objects of type $\operatorname{boottest}$ and $\operatorname{mboottest}$

Description

pval is a S3 method to collect pvalues for objects of type boottest and mboottest

Usage

```
pval(object, ...)
```

Arguments

```
object An object of type lm, fixest, felm or ivreg other arguments
```

Value

A scalar with the bootstrapped p-value.

Examples

```
requireNamespace("fwildclusterboot")
data(voters)
lm_fit <- lm(
proposition_vote ~ treatment + ideology1 + log_income + Q1_immigration,
    data = voters
)
boot <- boottest(lm_fit,
    B = 9999,
    param = "treatment",
    clustid = "group_id1"
)
pval(boot)</pre>
```

pval.boottest

S3 method to obtain the wild cluster bootstrapped p-value of an object of type boottest

Description

S3 method to obtain the wild cluster bootstrapped p-value of an object of type boottest

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'boottest'
pval(object, ...)
```

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Arguments

object of type boottest... Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

A vector containing the boundaries of the wild cluster bootstrapped p-value

Examples

```
#' requireNamespace("fwildclusterboot")
data(voters)
lm_fit <- lm(
    proposition_vote ~ treatment + ideology1 + log_income + Q1_immigration,
    data = voters
)
boot <- boottest(lm_fit,
    B = 9999,
    param = "treatment",
    clustid = "group_id1"
)
confint(boot)</pre>
```

pval.mboottest

S3 method to obtain the wild cluster bootstrapped p-value of an object of type mboottest

Description

S3 method to obtain the wild cluster bootstrapped p-value of an object of type mboottest

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mboottest'
pval(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object of type mboottest

... Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

A vector containing the boundaries of the wild cluster bootstrapped p-value

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Examples

```
## Not run:
requireNamespace("clubSandwich")
R <- clubSandwich::constrain_zero(2:3, coef(lm_fit))
wboottest <-
    mboottest(
    object = lm_fit,
    clustid = "group_id1",
    B = 999,
    R = R
    )
pval(wboottest)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

setBoottest_engine

Sets the default bootstrap algo for the current R session to be run via boottest() and mboottest()

Description

Sets the default bootstrap algo for the current R session to be run via boottest() and mboottest()

Usage

```
setBoottest_engine(engine)
```

Arguments

engine

Character scalar. Either 'R' or 'WildBootTests.jl'. Default is 'R'

Value

No return value

```
## Not run:
setBoottest_engine(engine = "R")
setBoottest_engine(engine = "WildBootTests.jl")
## End(Not run)
```

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S3 method to summarize objects of class boottest

Description

S3 method to summarize objects of class boottest

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'boottest'
summary(object, digits = 3, ...)
```

Arguments

object of type boottest
digits rounding of output. 3 by default

. . . Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

Returns result summaries for objects of type boottest

Examples

```
requireNamespace("fwildclusterboot")
data(voters)
lm_fit <- lm(
proposition_vote ~ treatment + ideology1 + log_income + Q1_immigration,
    data = voters
)
boot <- boottest(lm_fit,
    B = 9999,
    param = "treatment",
    clustid = "group_id1"
)
summary(boot)</pre>
```

summary.mboottest

S3 method to summarize objects of class mboottest

Description

S3 method to summarize objects of class mboottest

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Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mboottest'
summary(object, digits = 3, ...)
```

Arguments

object of type mboottest
digits rounding of output. 3 by default
... Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

Returns result summaries for objects of type mboottest

Examples

```
## Not run:
requireNamespace("clubSandwich")
R <- clubSandwich::constrain_zero(2:3, coef(lm_fit))
wboottest <-
    mboottest(
        object = lm_fit,
        clustid = "group_id1",
        B = 999,
        R = R
    )
summary(wboottest)
print(wboottest)
print(wboottest)
pval(wboottest)
generics::tidy(wboottest)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

teststat

teststat is a S3 method to collect teststats for objects of type boottest and mboottest

Description

teststat is a S3 method to collect teststats for objects of type boottest and mboottest

Usage

```
teststat(object, ...)
```

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Arguments

object An object of type lm, fixest, felm or ivreg
... other arguments

Value

A scalar with containing the non-bootstrapped test statistic of interest

Examples

```
requireNamespace("fwildclusterboot")
data(voters)
lm_fit <- lm(
    proposition_vote ~ treatment + ideology1 + log_income + Q1_immigration,
    data = voters
)
boot <- boottest(lm_fit,
    B = 9999,
    param = "treatment",
    clustid = "group_id1"
)
teststat(boot)</pre>
```

teststat.boottest

S3 method to obtain the non-bootstrapped t-statistic calculated via boottest()

Description

S3 method to obtain the non-bootstrapped t-statistic calculated via boottest()

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'boottest'
teststat(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object An object of type boottest

. . . Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

A vector containing the non-bootstrapped t-statistic calculated in boottest()

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Examples

```
requireNamespace("fwildclusterboot")
data(voters)
lm_fit <- lm(
    proposition_vote ~ treatment + ideology1 + log_income + Q1_immigration,
    data = voters
)
boot <- boottest(lm_fit,
    B = 9999,
    param = "treatment",
    clustid = "group_id1"
)
teststat(boot)</pre>
```

teststat.mboottest

S3 method to obtain the non-bootstrapped test statistic calculated via mboottest()

Description

S3 method to obtain the non-bootstrapped test statistic calculated via mboottest()

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mboottest'
teststat(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object An object of type 'mboottest'
... Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

A vector containing the non-bootstrapped t-statistic calculated in mboottest()

```
## Not run:
requireNamespace("clubSandwich")
R <- clubSandwich::constrain_zero(2:3, coef(lm_fit))
wboottest <-
    mboottest(
    object = lm_fit,
    clustid = "group_id1",
    B = 999,
    R = R
)</pre>
```

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```
teststat(wboottest)
## End(Not run)
```

tidy.boottest

S3 method to summarize objects of class boottest into tidy data.frame

Description

S3 method to summarize objects of class boottest into tidy data.frame

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'boottest' tidy(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x object of type boottest

... Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

A tidy data.frame with estimation results for objects of type boottest

```
requireNamespace("fwildclusterboot")
data(voters)
lm_fit <- lm(
proposition_vote ~ treatment + ideology1 + log_income + Q1_immigration,
    data = voters
)
boot <- boottest(lm_fit,
    B = 9999,
    param = "treatment",
    clustid = "group_id1"
)
generics::tidy(boot)</pre>
```

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tidy.mboottest

S3 method to summarize objects of class mboottest into tidy data.frame

Description

S3 method to summarize objects of class mboottest into tidy data.frame

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mboottest' tidy(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x object of type mboottest

... Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

A tidy data.frame with estimation results for objects of type mboottest

```
## Not run:
requireNamespace("clubSandwich")
R <- clubSandwich::constrain_zero(2:3, coef(lm_fit))
wboottest <-
    mboottest(
        object = lm_fit,
        clustid = "group_id1",
        B = 999,
        R = R
    )
summary(wboottest)
print(wboottest)
print(wboottest)
pval(wboottest)
generics::tidy(wboottest)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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Random example data set

Description

Random example data set

Usage

data(voters)

Format

An object of class data. frame with 300 rows and 13 columns.

Examples

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