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**Description** Firstly, both functions of the univariate Poisson dispersion index (DI) for count data and the univariate exponential variation index (VI) for nonnegative continuous data are performed. Next, other functions of univariate indexes such the binomial dispersion index (DIB), the negative binomial dispersion index (DInb) and the inverse Gaussian variation index (VIIg) are given. Finally, we are computed some multivariate versions of these functions such that the generalized dispersion index (GDI) with its marginal one (MDI) and the generalized variation index (GVI) with its marginal one (MVI) too.

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## Description

Univariate Poisson dispersion index `di.fun`, univariate exponential variation index `vi.fun` functions are performed. Next, the univariate binomial dispersion index `dib.fun`, the univariate negative binomial dispersion index `dinb.fun` and the univariate inverse Gaussian variation index `viIG.fun` functions are given. Finally, the generalized dispersion index and its marginal one `gmdi.fun`, the generalized variation index and its marginal one `gmvi.fun` functions are displayed.

## Details

### The univariate Poisson dispersion index (DI) and its relative versions with respect to binomial and negative binomial

The Poisson dispersion phenomenon is well-known and very widely used in practice; see, e.g., Kokonendji (2014) for a review of count (or discrete integer-valued) models. There are many interpretable mechanisms leading to this phenomenon which makes it possible to classify count distributions and make inference; see, e.g., Mizère et al. (2006) and Touré et al. (2020) for approximative statistical tests. Introduced from Fisher (1934), the Poisson dispersion index, also called the Fisher dispersion index, of a count random variable  $X$  on  $S = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\} =: N_0$  can be defined as

$$DI(X) = \frac{VarX}{EX},$$

the ratio of variance to mean. In fact, the positive quantity  $DI(X)$  is the ratio of two variances since  $EX$  is the expected variance under the Poisson distribution. Hence, one easily deduces the concept of the relative dispersion index (denoted by RDI) by choosing another reference than the Poisson distribution. Indeed, if  $X$  and  $Y$  are two count random variables on the same support  $S \subseteq N_0$  such that  $EX = EY$ , then

$$RDI_Y(X) := \frac{VarX}{VarY} = \frac{DI(X)}{DI(Y)} >= < 1;$$

i.e.  $X$  is over-, equi- and under-dispersed compared to  $Y$  if  $VarX > VarY$ ,  $VarX = VarY$  and  $VarX < VarY$ , respectively.

For instance, the binomial dispersion index is defined as

$$RDI_B(X) = \frac{varX}{EX(1 - EX/N)},$$

where  $N \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$  is the fixed number of trials. Also, the negative binomial dispersion index is defined as

$$RDI_{NB}(X) = \frac{varX}{EX(1 + EX/\lambda)},$$

where  $\lambda > 0$  is the dispersion parameter. See also, Weiss (2018, page 15) and Abid et al. (2021) for more details.

**The univariate variation index (VI) and its relative version with respect to inverse Gaussian distribution:**

More recently, Abid et al. (2020) have introduced the exponential variation index for positive continuous random variable  $X$  on  $[0, \infty)$  as

$$VI(X) = \frac{VarX}{(EX)^2}.$$

It can be viewed as the squared coefficient of variation. It is used in the framework of reliability to discriminate distribution of increasing/decreasing failure rate on the average (IFRA/DFRA); see, e.g., Barlow and Proschan (1981) in the sense of the coefficient of variation. See also Touré et al. (2020) for more details. Following RDI, the relative variation index (RVI) is defined, for two continuous random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  on the same support  $S = [0, \infty)$  with  $EX = EY$ , by

$$RVI_Y(X) := \frac{VarX}{VarY} = \frac{VI(X)}{VI(Y)} >= < 1;$$

i.e.  $X$  is over-, equi- and under-varied compared to  $Y$  if  $VarX > VarY$ ,  $VarX = VarY$  and  $VarX < VarY$ , respectively. For instance, the inverse Gaussian variation index is defined as

$$RVI_{IG}(X) = \lambda^2 \frac{varX}{(EX)^3},$$

where  $\lambda > 0$  is the shape parameter.

Next, consider the following notations. Let  $Y = (Y_1, \dots, Y_k)^\top$  be a nondegenerate count or continuous  $k$ -variate random vector,  $k \geq 1$ . Let also  $EY$  be the mean vector of  $Y$  and  $covY = (cov(Y_i, Y_j))_{i,j \in \{1, \dots, k\}}$  the covariance matrix of  $Y$ .

**The generalized dispersion index (GDI) and marginal dispersion index (MDI):** Kokonendji and Puig (2018) have introduced the *generalized dispersion index* for count vector  $Y$  on  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}^k$  by

$$GDI(Y) = \frac{\sqrt{EY}^\top (covY) \sqrt{EY}}{EY^\top EY}.$$

Note that when  $k = 1$ ,  $GDI(Y)$  is just the classical Fisher dispersion index DI.  $GDI(Y)$  makes it possible to compare the full variability of  $Y$  (in the numerator) with respect to its expected uncorrelated Poissonian variability (in the denominator) which depends only on  $EY$ .  $GDI(Y)$  takes into account the correlation between variables. For only taking into account the dispersion information coming from the margins, the authors defined the "marginal dispersion index":

$$MDI(Y) = \frac{\sqrt{EY}^\top (diagvarY) \sqrt{EY}}{EY^\top EY} = \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{\{E(Y_j)\}^2}{EY^\top EY} DI(Y_j).$$

**The generalized variation index (GVI) and marginal variation index (MDI):** Similarly, Kokonendji et al. (2020) defined the *generalized variation index* for positive continuous vector  $Y$  on  $[0, \infty)^k$  by

$$GVI(Y) = \frac{EY^\top (covY) EY}{(EY^\top EY)^2}.$$

Remark that when  $k = 1$ ,  $GVI(Y)$  is the univariate variation index VI.  $GVI(Y)$  makes it possible to compare the full variability of  $Y$  (in the numerator) with respect to its expected

uncorrelated exponential variability (in the denominator) which depends only on  $EY$ . Also,  $GVI(Y)$  takes into account the correlation between variables. To only take into account the variation information coming from the margins, Kokonendji et al. (2020) defined the "marginal variation index":

$$MVI(Y) = \frac{EY^\top (diagvarY) EY}{(EY^\top EY)^2} = \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{(EY_j)^4}{(EY^\top EY)^2} VI(Y_j).$$

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di.fun

*Function for DI***Description**

The function computes the univariate Poisson dispersion index for a count random variable.

**Usage**

```
di.fun(X)
```

**Arguments**

X	A count random variable
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**Details**

di.fun provides the univariate Poisson dispersion index (Fisher, 1934). We can refer to Touré et al. (2020) for more details on the Poisson dispersion index.

**Value**

Returns

di	The Poisson dispersion index
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Fisher, R.A. (1934). The effects of methods of ascertainment upon the estimation of frequencies, *Annals of Eugenics* **6**, 13-25.

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**Examples**

```
X<-c(6,7,8,9,8,4,7,6,12,8,0)
di.fun(X)
T<-c(61,72,83,94,85,46,77,68,129,80,10,12,12,3,4,5)
di.fun(T)
```

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**dib.fun***Function for Dlb*

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**Description**

The function computes the binomial dispersion index for a given number of trials  $N \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$ .

**Usage**

```
dib.fun(X, N)
```

**Arguments**

X	A count random variable
N	The number of trials of binomial distribution

**Details**

`dib.fun` computes the dispersion index with respect to the binomial distribution. See Touré et al. (2020) and Weiss (2018) for more details.

**Value**

Returns	
<code>dib</code>	The binomial dispersion index

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**References**

Touré, A.Y., Dossou-Gbété, S. and Kokonendji, C.C. (2020). Asymptotic normality of the test statistics for relative dispersion and relative variation indexes, *Journal of Applied Statistics* **47**, 2479-2491.

Weiss, C.H. (2018). An Introduction to Discrete-Valued Times Series. Wiley, Hoboken NJ.

**Examples**

```
X<-c(12,9,0,8,5,7,6,5,3,4,9,4)
dib.fun(X,12)
Y<-c(0,0,1,1,0,1,1)
dib.fun(Y,7)
```

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dinb.fun*Function for DInb*

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**Description**

The function computes the negative binomial dispersion index for a given dispersion parameter  $l \in (0, \infty)$ .

**Usage**

```
dinb.fun(X, 1)
```

**Arguments**

X	A count random variable
1	The dispersion parameter of negative binomial distribution

**Details**

dinb.fun computes the dispersion index with respect to negative binomial distribution. See Touré et al. (2020) and Abid et al. (2021) for more details.

**Value**

Returns	
dinb	The negative binomial dispersion index

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**References**

Abid, R., Kokonendji, C.C. and Masmoudi, A. (2021). On Poisson-exponential-Tweedie models for ultra-overdispersed count data, *AStA Advances in Statistical Analysis* **105**, 1-23.

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**Examples**

```
X<-c(12,9,0,8,5,7,6,5,3,4,9,4)
dinb.fun(X,12)
Y<-c(0,6,1,3,4,2,5)
dinb.fun(Y,7)
```

**gmdi.fun***Function for GDI and MDI***Description**

The function computes the GDI and MDI indexes for multivariate count data.

**Usage**

```
gmdi.fun(Y)
```

**Arguments**

Y	A matrix of count random variables
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**Details**

`gmdi.fun` computes GDI and MDI indexes introduced by Kokonendji and Puig (2018).

**Value**

Returns:

gdi	The generalized dispersion index
mdi	The marginal dispersion index

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**References**

Kokonendji, C.C. and Puig, P. (2018). Fisher dispersion index for multivariate count distributions : A review and a new proposal, *Journal of Multivariate Analysis* **165**, 180-193.

**Examples**

```
Y<-cbind(c(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8),c(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8))
gmdi.fun(Y)
Z<-cbind(c(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8),c(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8),c(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8),c(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8))
gmdi.fun(Z)
```

gmvi.fun

*Function for GVI and MVI***Description**

The function computes GVI and MVI indexes for multivariate positive continuous data.

**Usage**

```
gmvi.fun(Y)
```

**Arguments**

Y	A matrix of positive continuous random variables
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**Details**

`gmvi.fun` computes the GVI and MVI indexes defined in Kokonendji et al. (2020).

**Value**

Returns:

gvi	The generalized variation index
mvi	The marginal variation index

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**References**

Kokonendji, C.C., Touré, A.Y. and Sawadogo, A. (2020). Relative variation indexes for multivariate continuous distributions on  $[0, \infty)^k$  and extensions, *ASIA Advances in Statistical Analysis* **104**, 285-307.

**Examples**

```
Y<-cbind(c(2.3 ,26.1 ,8.7 ,10.9 ,1.2,1.4),c(9.7 ,7.3,9.3 ,9.4 ,10.5 ,9.8))
gmvi.fun(Y)
Z<-cbind(c(2.3 ,26.1 ,8.7),c(9.7 ,7.3,9.3),c(9.7 ,7.3,9.3),c(9.7 ,7.3,9.3))
gmvi.fun(Z)
```

**vi.fun***Function for VI***Description**

The function calculates the univariate exponential variation index for a positive continuous random variable.

**Usage**

```
vi.fun(X)
```

**Arguments**

X	A positive continuous random variable
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**Details**

`vi.fun` computes the univariate exponential variation index defined by Abid et al. (2020). See also Touré et al. (2020) for more details on this index.

**Value**

Returns

vi	The exponential variation index
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**References**

Abid, R., Kokonendji, C.C. and Masmoudi, A. (2020). Geometric Tweedie regression models for continuous and semicontinuous data with variation phenomenon, *AStA Advances in Statistical Analysis* **104**, 33-58.

Touré, A.Y., Dossou-Gbété, S. and Kokonendji, C.C. (2020). Asymptotic normality of the test statistics for relative dispersion and relative variation indexes, *Journal of Applied Statistics* **47**, 2479-2491.

**Examples**

```
X<-c(6.23,7.02,8.94,9.56,8.01,4.34,7.44,6.66,12.72,8.34,0)
vi.fun(X)
T<-c(6.231,7.022,8.943,9.789,8.014,4.423)
vi.fun(T)
```

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viiG.fun*Function for VII<sub>G</sub>*

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**Description**

The function computes the inverse Gaussian variation index with shape parameter  $l \in (0, \infty)$ .

**Usage**

```
viiG.fun(X, 1)
```

**Arguments**

X	A positive continuous random variable
1	The shape parameter of the inverse Gaussian distribution

**Details**

viiG.fun computes the variation index with respect to the inverse Gaussian distribution. See Touré et al. (2020) for more details.

**Value**

Returns	
viiG	The inverse Gaussian variation index

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**References**

Touré, A.Y., Dossou-Gbété, S. and Kokonendji, C.C. (2020). Asymptotic normality of the test statistics for relative dispersion and relative variation indexes, *Journal of Applied Statistics* **47**, 2479-2491.

**Examples**

```
X<-c(0.12,9.11,0.03,8.71,5.02,7.12,6.42,5.73)
viiG.fun(X,0.05)
Y<-c(0.003,6.283,1.001,3.112,4.342,2.890,5.005)
viiG.fun(Y,0.3)
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