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samplesizelogisticcasecontrol-package

*Sample size and power calculations for case-control studies*

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## Description

This package can be used to calculate the required sample size needed for case-control studies to have sufficient power, or calculate the power of a case-control study for a given sample size. To calculate the sample size, one needs to specify the significance level  $\alpha$ , power  $\gamma$ , and the hypothesized non-null  $\theta$ . Here  $\theta$  is a log odds ratio for an exposure main effect or  $\theta$  is an interaction effect on the logistic scale. Choosing  $\theta$  requires subject matter knowledge to understand how strong the association needs to be to have practical importance. Sample size varies inversely with  $\theta^2$  and is thus highly dependent on  $\theta$ .

## Details

The main functions in the package are for different types of exposure variables, where the exposure variable is the variable of interest in a hypothesis test. The functions `sampleSize_binary` and `power_binary` can be used for a binary exposure variable ( $X = 0$  or  $1$ ), while the functions `sampleSize_ordinal` and `power_ordinal` is a more general function that can be used for an ordinal exposure variable ( $X$  takes the values  $0, 1, \dots, k$ ). `sampleSize_continuous` and `power_continuous` are useful for a continuous exposure variable and `sampleSize_data` and `power_data` can be used when pilot data is available that defines the distribution of the exposure and other confounding variables. Each function will return the sample sizes or power for a Wald-type test and a score test. When there are no adjustments for confounders, the user can specify a general distribution for the exposure variable. With confounders, either pilot data or a function to generate random samples from the multivariate distribution of the confounders and exposure variable must be given.

If the parameter of interest,  $\theta$ , is one dimensional, then the test statistic is often asymptotically equivalent to a test of the form  $T > Z_{1-\alpha}\sigma_0 n^{-\frac{1}{2}}$  or  $T > Z_{1-\alpha}\sigma_\theta n^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ , where  $Z_{1-\alpha}$  is the  $1 - \alpha$  quantile of a standard normal distribution,  $n$  is the total sample size (cases plus controls), and  $n^{\frac{1}{2}}T$  is normally distributed with mean 0 and null variance  $\sigma_0^2$ . Depending on which critical value  $Z_{1-\alpha}\sigma_0 n^{-\frac{1}{2}}$  or  $Z_{1-\alpha}\sigma_\theta n^{-\frac{1}{2}}$  of the test was used, the formulas for sample size are obtained by inverting the equations for power:

$$n_1 = (Z_\gamma\sigma_\theta + Z_{1-\alpha}\sigma_0)^2/\theta^2 \text{ or } n_2 = (Z_\gamma + Z_{1-\alpha})^2\sigma_\theta^2/\theta^2.$$

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file.list *List to describe the covariate and exposure data*

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### Description

The list to describe the covariate and exposure data for the data option.

### Format

The format is: List of 7

**file** Data file containing the confounders and exposure variables. No default.

**exposure** Name or column number in file for the exposure variable. This can also be a vector giving the columns to form an interaction variable (see details). No default.

**covars** Character vector of variables names or numeric vector of column numbers in file that will be confounders. These variables must be numeric. The length and order of the logOR argument must match the length and order of c(covars, exposure). The default is NULL.

**header** 0 or 1 if file has the first row as variable names. The default is determined from the first line of the file.

**delimiter** The delimiter in file. The default is determined from the first two lines of the file.

**in.miss** Vector of character strings to define the missing values. This option corresponds to the option na.strings in read.table(). The default is "NA".

**subsetData** List of sublists to subset the data. Each sublist should contain the names "var", "operator" and "value" corresponding to a variable name, operator and values of the variable. Multiple sublists are logically connected by the AND operator. For example, subsetData=list(list(var="GENDER", operator=="", value="MALE")) will only include subjects with the string "MALE" for the GENDER variable. subsetData=list(list(var="AGE", operator=">", value=50), list(var="STUDY", operator="%in%", value=c("A", "B", "C"))) will include subjects with AGE > 50 AND in STUDY A, B or C. The default is NULL.

### Details

In this list, file and exposure must be specified. If exposure is a vector of column names or column numbers, then an exposure variable will be created by multiplying the columns defined in the vector to form the interaction variable. Thus, the columns must be numeric variables. In this case, the length and order of logOR must match the length and order of c(covars, <new interaction variable>).

power\_binary

*Power for a binary exposure***Description**

Calculates the power of as case-control study with a binary exposure variable

**Usage**

```
power_binary(prev, logOR, probXeq1=NULL, distF=NULL, data=NULL,
             size.2sided=0.05, sampleSize=1000, cc.ratio=0.5, interval=c(-100, 100), tol=0.0001)
```

**Arguments**

prev	Number between 0 and 1 giving the prevalence of disease. No default.
logOR	Vector of ordered log-odds ratios for the confounders and exposure. The last log-odds ratio in the vector is for the exposure. If the option data (below) is specified, then the order must match the order of data. No default.
probXeq1	NULL or a number between 0 and 1 giving the probability that the exposure variable is 1. If set to NULL, the the data option must be specified so that probXeq1 can be estimated. The default is NULL.
distF	NULL, a function or a character string giving the function to generate random vectors from the distribution of the confounders and exposure. The order of the returned vector must match the order of logOR. User defined functions are also allowed, provided the user-defined function has only one integer valued argument that inputs the number of random vectors to generate. For instance the header of a user-defined function called "userF" would be userF <- function(n). The default depends on other options (see details).
data	NULL, matrix, data frame or a list of type <code>file.list</code> that gives a sample from the distribution of the confounders and exposure. If a matrix or data frame, then the last column consists of random values for the exposure, while the other columns are for the confounders. The order of the columns must match the order of the vector logOR. The default is NULL.
size.2sided	Number between 0 and 1 giving the size of the 2-sided hypothesis test. The default is 0.05.
sampleSize	Sample size of the study. The default is 1000.
cc.ratio	Number between 0 and 1 for the proportion of cases in the case-control sample. The default is 0.5.
interval	Two element vector giving the interval to search for the estimated intercept parameter. The default is <code>c(-100, 100)</code> .
tol	Positive value giving the stopping tolerance for the root finding method to estimate the intercept parameter. The default is 0.0001.

**Details**

If there are no confounders ( $\text{length}(\text{logOR}) = 1$ ), then either `probXeq1` or `data` must be specified, where `probXeq1` takes precedence. If there are confounders ( $\text{length}(\text{logOR}) > 1$ ), then either `data` or `distF` must be specified, where `data` takes precedence.

**Value**

A list containing four powers, where two of them are for a Wald test and two for a score test. The two powers for each test correspond to the equations for  $n_1$  and  $n_2$ .

**See Also**

[power\\_continuous](#), [power\\_ordinal](#), [power\\_data](#)

**Examples**

```
prev <- 0.01
logOR <- 0.3

# No confounders, Prob(X=1)=0.2
power_binary(prev, logOR, probXeq1=0.2)

# Generate data for a N(0,1) confounder and binary exposure
data <- cbind(rnorm(1000), rbinom(1000, 1, 0.4))
beta <- c(0.1, 0.2)
power_binary(prev, beta, data=data)

# Define a function to generate random vectors for two confounders and the binary exposure
f <- function(n) {cbind(rnorm(n), rbinom(n, 3, 0.5), rbinom(n, 1, 0.3))}
logOR <- c(0.2, 0.3, 0.25)
power_binary(prev, logOR, distF=f)
```

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power_continuous	<i>Power for a continuous exposure</i>
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**Description**

Calculates the power of as case-control study with a continuous exposure variable

**Usage**

```
power_continuous(prev, logOR, distF=NULL, distF.support=c(-Inf, Inf),
  data=NULL, size.2sided=0.05, sampleSize=1000, cc.ratio=0.5, interval=c(-100, 100),
  tol=0.0001, distF.var=NULL)
```

**Arguments**

prev	Number between 0 and 1 giving the prevalence of disease. No default.
logOR	Vector of ordered log-odds ratios for the confounders and exposure. The last log-odds ratio in the vector is for the exposure. If the option data (below) is specified, then the order must match the order of data. No default.
distF	NULL, a function or a character string giving the pdf of the exposure variable for the case of no confounders, or giving the function to generate random vectors from the distribution formed by the confounders and exposure. For the case of no confounders, examples are <code>dnorm</code> , <code>"dnorm(x, mean=0.5, sd=2.1)"</code> , <code>"dbeta(?, shape1=0.3, shape2=3)"</code> , <code>"dchisq(whatever, df=1)"</code> . Notice that when <code>distF</code> is a character string, the first argument can be anything but must be given to serve as a place holder. For the case of two confounders, an example might be a random vector generator from a multivariate normal distribution <code>"rmvnorm(x, c(0,0,0))"</code> . User defined functions are also allowed, provided the user-defined function has only one input argument. The input argument would be a vector of quantiles if the user-defined function is a pdf, or the input argument would be an integer specifying the number of random vectors to generate if the user-defined function is a function to generate random vectors from the distribution of the confounders and exposure. An example pdf is the function <code>H</code> , where <code>H &lt;- function(x) { dunif(x, min=2, max=7) }</code> . The default depends on other options (see details).
distF.support	Two element vector giving the domain of <code>distF</code> . This option is only used when <code>distF</code> is a pdf. The default is <code>c(-Inf, Inf)</code> .
data	NULL, matrix, data frame or a list of type <code>file.list</code> that gives a sample from the distribution of the confounders and exposure. If a matrix or data frame, then the last column consists of random values for the exposure, while the other columns are for the confounders. The order of the columns must match the order of the vector <code>logOR</code> . The default is NULL.
size.2sided	Number between 0 and 1 giving the size of the 2-sided hypothesis test. The default is 0.05.
sampleSize	Sample size of the study. The default is 1000.
cc.ratio	Number between 0 and 1 for the proportion of cases in the case-control sample. The default is 0.5.
interval	Two element vector giving the interval to search for the estimated intercept parameter. The default is <code>c(-100, 100)</code> .
tol	Positive value giving the stopping tolerance for the root finding method to estimate the intercept parameter. The default is 0.0001.
distF.var	The variance of the exposure variable for the case of no confounders. This option is for efficiency purposes. If not specified, the variance will be estimated by either the empirical variance of a random sample from the distribution of the exposure or by numerical integration. The default is NULL.

**Details**

The data option takes precedence over the other options. If data is not specified, then the distribution of the exposure will be  $N(0,1)$  or  $MVN(0, 1)$  depending on whether there are confounders.

**Value**

A list containing four powers, where two of them are for a Wald test and two for a score test. The two powers for each test correspond to the equations for  $n_1$  and  $n_2$ .

**See Also**

[power\\_binary](#), [power\\_ordinal](#), [power\\_data](#)

**Examples**

```
prev <- 0.01
logOR <- 0.3

# No confounders, exposure assumed to be N(0,1)
power_continuous(prev, logOR)

# Two confounders and exposure assumed to be MVN(0,1)
beta <- c(0.1, 0.1, logOR)
power_continuous(prev, beta)

# No confounders, exposure is beta(0.3, 3)
power_continuous(prev, logOR, distF="dbeta(m, shape1=0.3, shape2=3)",
                 distF.support=c(0, 1))
```

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power\_data

*Power using pilot data*

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**Description**

Calculates the power of a case-control study with pilot data

**Usage**

```
power_data(prev, logOR, data, size.2sided=0.05, sampleSize=1000, cc.ratio=0.5,
           interval=c(-100, 100), tol=0.0001)
```

**Arguments**

prev	Number between 0 and 1 giving the prevalence of disease. No default.
logOR	Vector of ordered log-odds ratios for the confounders and exposure. The last log-odds ratio in the vector is for the exposure. If the option data (below) is specified, then the order must match the order of data. No default.
data	Matrix, data frame or a list of type <a href="#">file.list</a> that gives a sample from the distribution of the confounders and exposure (see details). If a matrix or data frame, then the last column consists of random values for the exposure, while the other columns are for the confounders. The order of the columns must match the order of the vector logOR. The default is NULL.

size.2sided	Number between 0 and 1 giving the size of the 2-sided hypothesis test. The default is 0.05.
sampleSize	Sample size of the study (see details). The default is 1000.
cc.ratio	Number between 0 and 1 for the proportion of cases in the case-control sample. The default is 0.5.
interval	Two element vector giving the interval to search for the estimated intercept parameter. The default is c(-100, 100).
tol	Positive value giving the stopping tolerance for the root finding method to estimate the intercept parameter. The default is 0.0001.

### Details

The option `sampleSize` is not necessarily `nrow(data)`. The input data can be a small sample of pilot data that would be representative of the actual study data.

### Value

A list containing four powers, where two of them are for a Wald test and two for a score test. The two powers for each test correspond to the equations for  $n_1$  and  $n_2$ .

### See Also

[power\\_binary](#), [power\\_ordinal](#), [power\\_continuous](#)

### Examples

```
prev <- 0.01
logOR <- 0.3
data <- matrix(rnorm(100, mean=1.5), ncol=1)

# Assuming exposure is N(1.5, 1)
power_data(prev, logOR, data)
```

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power\_ordinal

*Power for an ordinal exposure*

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### Description

Calculates the power of a case-control study with an ordinal exposure variable

### Usage

```
power_ordinal(prev, logOR, probX=NULL, distF=NULL, data=NULL,
  size.2sided=0.05, sampleSize=1000, cc.ratio=0.5, interval=c(-100, 100), tol=0.0001)
```

**Arguments**

prev	Number between 0 and 1 giving the prevalence of disease. No default.
logOR	Vector of ordered log-odds ratios per category increase for the confounders and exposure. The last log-odds ratio in the vector is for the exposure. If the exposures are coded 0, 1, ..., k (k+1 categories), then the logOR corresponds to a one category increase. If the option data (below) is specified, then the order must match the order of data. No default.
probX	NULL or a vector that sums to 1 giving the probability that the exposure variable is equal to i, i = 0, 1, ..., k. If set to NULL, the the data option must be specified so that probX can be estimated. The default is NULL.
distF	NULL, a function or a character string giving the function to generate random vectors from the distribution of the confounders and exposure. The order of the returned vector must match the order of logOR. The default depends on other options (see details).
data	NULL, matrix, data frame or a list of type <code>file.list</code> that gives a sample from the distribution of the confounders and exposure. If a matrix or data frame, then the last column consists of random values for the exposure, while the other columns are for the confounders. The order of the columns must match the order of the vector logOR. The default is NULL.
size.2sided	Number between 0 and 1 giving the size of the 2-sided hypothesis test. The default is 0.05.
sampleSize	Sample size of the study. The default is 1000.
cc.ratio	Number between 0 and 1 for the proportion of cases in the case-control sample. The default is 0.5.
interval	Two element vector giving the interval to search for the estimated intercept parameter. The default is <code>c(-100, 100)</code> .
tol	Positive value giving the stopping tolerance for the root finding method to estimate the intercept parameter. The default is 0.0001.

**Details**

If there are no confounders ( $\text{length}(\text{logOR}) = 1$ ), then either `probX` or `data` must be specified, where `probX` takes precedence. If there are confounders ( $\text{length}(\text{logOR}) > 1$ ), then either `data` or `distF` must be specified, where `data` takes precedence.

**Value**

A list containing four powers, where two of them are for a Wald test and two for a score test. The two powers for each test correspond to the equations for  $n_1$  and  $n_2$ .

**See Also**

[power\\_continuous](#), [power\\_binary](#), [power\\_data](#)

**Examples**

```

prev <- 0.01
logOR <- 0.3

# No confounders, Prob(X=1)=0.2
power_ordinal(prev, logOR, probX=c(0.8, 0.2))

# Generate data for a N(0,1) confounder and ordinal exposure with 3 levels
data <- cbind(rnorm(1000), rbinom(1000, 2, 0.5))
beta <- c(0.1, 0.2)
power_ordinal(prev, beta, data=data)

# Define a function to generate random vectors for two confounders and an ordinal
# exposure with 5 levels
f <- function(n) {cbind(rnorm(n), rbinom(n, 1, 0.5), rbinom(n, 4, 0.5))}
beta <- c(0.2, 0.3, 0.25)
power_ordinal(prev, beta, distF=f)

```

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sampleSize\_binary      *Sample size for a binary exposure*

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**Description**

Calculates the required sample size of as case-control study with a binary exposure variable

**Usage**

```

sampleSize_binary(prev, logOR, probXeq1=NULL, distF=NULL, data=NULL,
  size.2sided=0.05, power=0.9, cc.ratio=0.5, interval=c(-100, 100), tol=0.0001,
  n.samples=10000)

```

**Arguments**

prev	Number between 0 and 1 giving the prevalence of disease. No default.
logOR	Vector of ordered log-odds ratios for the confounders and exposure. The last log-odds ratio in the vector is for the exposure. If the option data (below) is specified, then the order must match the order of data. No default.
probXeq1	NULL or a number between 0 and 1 giving the probability that the exposure variable is 1. If set to NULL, the the data option must be specified so that probXeq1 can be estimated. The default is NULL.
distF	NULL, a function or a character string giving the function to generate random vectors from the distribution of the confounders and exposure. The order of the returned vector must match the order of logOR. User defined functions are also allowed, provided the user-defined function has only one integer valued argument that inputs the number of random vectors to generate. For instance the header of a user-defined function called "userF" would be userF <- function(n). The default depends on other options (see details).

data	NULL, matrix, data frame or a list of type <code>file.list</code> that gives a sample from the distribution of the confounders and exposure. If a matrix or data frame, then the last column consists of random values for the exposure, while the other columns are for the confounders. The order of the columns must match the order of the vector <code>logOR</code> . The default is NULL.
size.2sided	Number between 0 and 1 giving the size of the 2-sided hypothesis test. The default is 0.05.
power	Number between 0 and 1 for the desired power of the test. The default is 0.9.
cc.ratio	Number between 0 and 1 for the proportion of cases in the case-control sample. The default is 0.5.
interval	Two element vector giving the interval to search for the estimated intercept parameter. The default is <code>c(-100, 100)</code> .
tol	Positive value giving the stopping tolerance for the root finding method to estimate the intercept parameter. The default is 0.0001.
n.samples	Integer giving the number of random vectors to generate when the option <code>distF</code> is specified. The default is 10000.

### Details

If there are no confounders ( $\text{length}(\text{logOR}) = 1$ ), then either `probXeq1` or `data` must be specified, where `probXeq1` takes precedence. If there are confounders ( $\text{length}(\text{logOR}) > 1$ ), then either `data` or `distF` must be specified, where `data` takes precedence.

### Value

A list containing four sample sizes, where two of them are for a Wald test and two for a score test. The two sample sizes for each test correspond to the equations for  $n_1$  and  $n_2$ .

### See Also

[sampleSize\\_continuous](#), [sampleSize\\_ordinal](#), [sampleSize\\_data](#)

### Examples

```
prev <- 0.01
logOR <- 0.3

# No confounders, Prob(X=1)=0.2
sampleSize_binary(prev, logOR, probXeq1=0.2)

# Generate data for a N(0,1) confounder and binary exposure
data <- cbind(rnorm(1000), rbinom(1000, 1, 0.4))
beta <- c(0.1, 0.2)
sampleSize_binary(prev, beta, data=data)

# Define a function to generate random vectors for two confounders and the binary exposure
f <- function(n) {cbind(rnorm(n), rbinom(n, 3, 0.5), rbinom(n, 1, 0.3))}
logOR <- c(0.2, 0.3, 0.25)
sampleSize_binary(prev, logOR, distF=f)
```

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sampleSize\_continuous *Sample size for a continuous exposure*

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## Description

Calculates the required sample size of as case-control study with a continuous exposure variable

## Usage

```
sampleSize_continuous(prev, logOR, distF=NULL, distF.support=c(-Inf, Inf),
  data=NULL, size.2sided=0.05, power=0.9, cc.ratio=0.5, interval=c(-100, 100),
  tol=0.0001, n.samples=10000, distF.var=NULL)
```

## Arguments

prev	Number between 0 and 1 giving the prevalence of disease. No default.
logOR	Vector of ordered log-odds ratios for the confounders and exposure. The last log-odds ratio in the vector is for the exposure. If the option data (below) is specified, then the order must match the order of data. No default.
distF	NULL, a function or a character string giving the pdf of the exposure variable for the case of no confounders, or giving the function to generate random vectors from the distribution formed by the confounders and exposure. For the case of no confounders, examples are <code>dnorm</code> , <code>dnorm(x, mean=0.5, sd=2.1)</code> , <code>dbeta(?, shape1=0.3, shape2=3)</code> , <code>dchisq(whatever, df=1)</code> . Notice that when <code>distF</code> is a character string, the first argument can be anything but must be given to serve as a place holder. For the case of two confounders, an example might be a random vector generator from a multivariate normal distribution <code>rmvnorm(x, c(0,0,0))</code> . User defined functions are also allowed, provided the user-defined function has only one input argument. The input argument would be a vector of quantiles if the user-defined function is a pdf, or the input argument would be an integer specifying the number of random vectors to generate if the user-defined function is a function to generate random vectors from the distribution of the confounders and exposure. An example pdf is the function <code>H</code> , where <code>H &lt;- function(x) { dunif(x, min=2, max=7) }</code> . The default depends on other options (see details).
distF.support	Two element vector giving the domain of <code>distF</code> . This option is only used when <code>distF</code> is a pdf. The default is <code>c(-Inf, Inf)</code> .
data	NULL, matrix, data frame or a list of type <code>file.list</code> that gives a sample from the distribution of the confounders and exposure. If a matrix or data frame, then the last column consists of random values for the exposure, while the other columns are for the confounders. The order of the columns must match the order of the vector <code>logOR</code> . The default is NULL.
size.2sided	Number between 0 and 1 giving the size of the 2-sided hypothesis test. The default is 0.05.
power	Number between 0 and 1 for the desired power of the test. The default is 0.9.

cc.ratio	Number between 0 and 1 for the proportion of cases in the case-control sample. The default is 0.5.
interval	Two element vector giving the interval to search for the estimated intercept parameter. The default is c(-100, 100).
tol	Positive value giving the stopping tolerance for the root finding method to estimate the intercept parameter. The default is 0.0001.
n.samples	Integer giving the number of random vectors to generate when the option distF is specified and is a random vector generation function. The default is 10000.
distF.var	The variance of the exposure variable for the case of no confounders. This option is for efficiency purposes. If not specified, the variance will be estimated by either the empirical variance of a random sample from the distribution of the exposure or by numerical integration. The default is NULL.

### Details

The data option takes precedence over the other options. If data is not specified, then the distribution of the exposure will be  $N(0,1)$  or  $MVN(0, 1)$  depending on whether there are confounders.

### Value

A list containing four sample sizes, where two of them are for a Wald test and two for a score test. The two sample sizes for each test correspond to the equations for  $n_1$  and  $n_2$ .

### See Also

[sampleSize\\_binary](#), [sampleSize\\_ordinal](#), [sampleSize\\_data](#)

### Examples

```
prev <- 0.01
logOR <- 0.3

# No confounders, exposure assumed to be N(0,1)
sampleSize_continuous(prev, logOR)

# Two confounders and exposure assumed to be MVN(0,1)
beta <- c(0.1, 0.1, logOR)
sampleSize_continuous(prev, beta)

# No confounders, exposure is beta(0.3, 3)
sampleSize_continuous(prev, logOR, distF="dbeta(m, shape1=0.3, shape2=3)",
                      distF.support=c(0, 1))
```

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sampleSize\_data      *Sample size using pilot data*

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### Description

Calculates the required sample size of a case-control study with pilot data

### Usage

```
sampleSize_data(prev, logOR, data, size.2sided=0.05, power=0.9, cc.ratio=0.5,
  interval=c(-100, 100), tol=0.0001)
```

### Arguments

prev	Number between 0 and 1 giving the prevalence of disease. No default.
logOR	Vector of ordered log-odds ratios for the confounders and exposure. The last log-odds ratio in the vector is for the exposure. If the option data (below) is specified, then the order must match the order of data. No default.
data	Matrix, data frame or a list of type <code>file.list</code> that gives a sample from the distribution of the confounders and exposure. If a matrix or data frame, then the last column consists of random values for the exposure, while the other columns are for the confounders. The order of the columns must match the order of the vector logOR. The default is NULL.
size.2sided	Number between 0 and 1 giving the size of the 2-sided hypothesis test. The default is 0.05.
power	Number between 0 and 1 for the desired power of the test. The default is 0.9.
cc.ratio	Number between 0 and 1 for the proportion of cases in the case-control sample. The default is 0.5.
interval	Two element vector giving the interval to search for the estimated intercept parameter. The default is <code>c(-100, 100)</code> .
tol	Positive value giving the stopping tolerance for the root finding method to estimate the intercept parameter. The default is 0.0001.

### Value

A list containing four sample sizes, where two of them are for a Wald test and two for a score test. The two sample sizes for each test correspond to the equations for  $n_1$  and  $n_2$ .

### See Also

[sampleSize\\_binary](#), [sampleSize\\_ordinal](#), [sampleSize\\_continuous](#)

**Examples**

```

prev <- 0.01
logOR <- 0.3
data <- matrix(rnorm(100, mean=1.5), ncol=1)

# Assuming exposure is N(1.5, 1)
sampleSize_data(prev, logOR, data)

```

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sampleSize\_ordinal      *Sample size for an ordinal exposure*

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**Description**

Calculates the required sample size of a case-control study with an ordinal exposure variable

**Usage**

```

sampleSize_ordinal(prev, logOR, probX=NULL, distF=NULL, data=NULL,
  size.2sided=0.05, power=0.9, cc.ratio=0.5, interval=c(-100, 100), tol=0.0001,
  n.samples=10000)

```

**Arguments**

prev	Number between 0 and 1 giving the prevalence of disease. No default.
logOR	Vector of ordered log-odds ratios per category increase for the confounders and exposure. The last log-odds ratio in the vector is for the exposure. If the exposures are coded 0, 1, ..., k (k+1 categories), then the logOR corresponds to a one category increase. If the option data (below) is specified, then the order must match the order of data. No default.
probX	NULL or a vector that sums to 1 giving the probability that the exposure variable is equal to i, i = 0, 1, ..., k. If set to NULL, the data option must be specified so that probX can be estimated. The default is NULL.
distF	NULL, a function or a character string giving the function to generate random vectors from the distribution of the confounders and exposure. The order of the returned vector must match the order of logOR. The default depends on other options (see details).
data	NULL, matrix, data frame or a list of type <code>file.list</code> that gives a sample from the distribution of the confounders and exposure. If a matrix or data frame, then the last column consists of random values for the exposure, while the other columns are for the confounders. The order of the columns must match the order of the vector logOR. The default is NULL.
size.2sided	Number between 0 and 1 giving the size of the 2-sided hypothesis test. The default is 0.05.
power	Number between 0 and 1 for the desired power of the test. The default is 0.9.

cc.ratio	Number between 0 and 1 for the proportion of cases in the case-control sample. The default is 0.5.
interval	Two element vector giving the interval to search for the estimated intercept parameter. The default is <code>c(-100, 100)</code> .
tol	Positive value giving the stopping tolerance for the root finding method to estimate the intercept parameter. The default is 0.0001.
n.samples	Integer giving the number of random vectors to generate when the option <code>distF</code> is specified and is a random vector generation function. The default is 10000.

### Details

If there are no confounders ( $\text{length}(\text{logOR}) = 1$ ), then either `probX` or `data` must be specified, where `probX` takes precedence. If there are confounders ( $\text{length}(\text{logOR}) > 1$ ), then either `data` or `distF` must be specified, where `data` takes precedence.

### Value

A list containing four sample sizes, where two of them are for a Wald test and two for a score test. The two sample sizes for each test correspond to the equations for  $n_1$  and  $n_2$ .

### See Also

[sampleSize\\_continuous](#), [sampleSize\\_binary](#), [sampleSize\\_data](#)

### Examples

```
prev <- 0.01
logOR <- 0.3

# No confounders, Prob(X=1)=0.2
sampleSize_ordinal(prev, logOR, probX=c(0.8, 0.2))

# Generate data for a N(0,1) confounder and ordinal exposure with 3 levels
data <- cbind(rnorm(1000), rbinom(1000, 2, 0.5))
beta <- c(0.1, 0.2)
sampleSize_ordinal(prev, beta, data=data)

# Define a function to generate random vectors for two confounders and an ordinal
# exposure with 5 levels
f <- function(n) {cbind(rnorm(n), rbinom(n, 1, 0.5), rbinom(n, 4, 0.5))}
beta <- c(0.2, 0.3, 0.25)
sampleSize_ordinal(prev, beta, distF=f)
```

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