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**Description** Provides various statistical methods for evaluating Individualized Treatment Rules under randomized data. The provided metrics include Population Average Value (PAV), Population Average Prescription Effect (PAPE), Area Under Prescription Effect Curve (AUPEC). It also provides the tools to analyze Individualized Treatment Rules under budget constraints. Detailed reference in Imai and Li (2019) <[arXiv:1905.05389](https://arxiv.org/abs/1905.05389)>.

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AUPEC	<i>Estimation of the Area Under Prescription Evaluation Curve (AUPEC) in Randomized Experiments</i>
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### Description

This function estimates AUPEC. The details of the methods for this design are given in Imai and Li (2019).

### Usage

```
AUPEC(T, tau, Y, centered = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

T	A vector of the unit-level binary treatment receipt variable for each sample.
tau	A vector of the unit-level continuous score for treatment assignment. We assume those that have $\tau < 0$ should not have treatment. Conditional Average Treatment Effect is one possible measure.
Y	A vector of the outcome variable of interest for each sample.
centered	If TRUE, the outcome variables would be centered before processing. This minimizes the variance of the estimator. Default is TRUE.

### Value

A list that contains the following items:

aupec	The estimated Area Under Prescription Evaluation Curve
sd	The estimated standard deviation of AUPEC.
vec	A vector of points outlining the AUPEC curve across each possible budget point for the dataset. Each step increases the budget by $1/n$ where $n$ is the number of data points.

### Author(s)

Michael Lingzhi Li, Technology and Operations Management, Harvard Business School <mili@hbs.edu>, <https://www.michaellz.com/>;

### References

Imai and Li (2019). “Experimental Evaluation of Individualized Treatment Rules”,

**Examples**

```
T = c(1,0,1,0,1,0,1,0)
tau = c(0,0.1,0.2,0.3,0.4,0.5,0.6,0.7)
Y = c(4,5,0,2,4,1,-4,3)
aupeclist <- AUPEC(T,tau,Y)
aupeclist$aupec
aupeclist$sd
aupeclist$vec
```

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AUPECcv

*Estimation of the Area Under Prescription Evaluation Curve (AU-PEC) in Randomized Experiments Under Cross Validation*


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**Description**

This function estimates AUPEC. The details of the methods for this design are given in Imai and Li (2019).

**Usage**

```
AUPECcv(T, tau, Y, ind, centered = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

T	A vector of the unit-level binary treatment receipt variable for each sample.
tau	A matrix where the <i>i</i> th column is the unit-level continuous score for treatment assignment generated in the <i>i</i> th fold.
Y	The outcome variable of interest.
ind	A vector of integers (between 1 and number of folds inclusive) indicating which testing set does each sample belong to.
centered	If TRUE, the outcome variables would be centered before processing. This minimizes the variance of the estimator. Default is TRUE.

**Value**

A list that contains the following items:

aupec	The estimated AUPEC.
sd	The estimated standard deviation of AUPEC.

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**References**

Imai and Li (2019). “Experimental Evaluation of Individualized Treatment Rules”,

**Examples**

```
T = c(1,0,1,0,1,0,1,0)
tau = matrix(c(0,0.1,0.2,0.3,0.4,0.5,0.6,0.7,-0.5,-0.3,-0.1,0.1,0.3,0.5,0.7,0.9),nrow = 8, ncol = 2)
Y = c(4,5,0,2,4,1,-4,3)
ind = c(rep(1,4),rep(2,4))
aupeclist <- AUPECcv(T, tau, Y, ind)
aupeclist$aupec
aupeclist$sd
```

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compute_qoi	<i>Compute Quantities of Interest (PAPE, PAPEp, PAPDp, AUPEC, GATE, GATEcv)</i>
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**Description**

Compute Quantities of Interest (PAPE, PAPEp, PAPDp, AUPEC, GATE, GATEcv)

**Usage**

```
compute_qoi(fit_obj, algorithms)
```

**Arguments**

fit_obj	An output object from fit_itr function.
algorithms	Machine learning algorithms

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compute_qoi_user	<i>Compute Quantities of Interest (PAPE, PAPEp, PAPDp, AUPEC, GATE, GATEcv) with user defined functions</i>
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**Description**

Compute Quantities of Interest (PAPE, PAPEp, PAPDp, AUPEC, GATE, GATEcv) with user defined functions

**Usage**

```
compute_qoi_user(user_itr, Tcv, Ycv, data, ngates, budget, ...)
```

**Arguments**

user_itr	A user-defined function to create an ITR. The function should take the data as input and return an unit-level continuous score for treatment assignment. We assume those that have score less than 0 should not have treatment. The default is NULL, which means the ITR will be estimated from the estimate_itr.
Tcv	A vector of the unit-level binary treatment.
Ycv	A vector of the unit-level continuous outcome.
data	A data frame containing the variables of interest.
ngates	The number of gates to be used in the GATE function.
budget	The maximum percentage of population that can be treated under the budget constraint.
...	Additional arguments to be passed to the user-defined function.

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consist.test	<i>The Consistency Test for Grouped Average Treatment Effects (GATEs) in Randomized Experiments</i>
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**Description**

This function calculates statistics related to the test of treatment effect consistency across groups.

**Usage**

```
consist.test(T, tau, Y, ngates = 5, nsim = 10000)
```

**Arguments**

T	A vector of the unit-level binary treatment receipt variable for each sample.
tau	A vector of the unit-level continuous score. Conditional Average Treatment Effect is one possible measure.
Y	A vector of the outcome variable of interest for each sample.
ngates	The number of groups to separate the data into. The groups are determined by tau. Default is 5.
nsim	Number of Monte Carlo simulations used to simulate the null distributions. Default is 10000.

**Details**

The details of the methods for this design are given in Imai and Li (2022).

**Value**

A list that contains the following items:

stat	The estimated statistic for the test of consistency
pval	The p-value of the null hypothesis (that the treatment effects are consistent)

**Author(s)**

Michael Lingzhi Li, Technology and Operations Management, Harvard Business School <mili@hbs.edu>, <https://www.michaellz.com/>;

**References**

Imai and Li (2022). “Statistical Inference for Heterogeneous Treatment Effects Discovered by Generic Machine Learning in Randomized Experiments”,

**Examples**

```
T = c(1,0,1,0,1,0,1,0)
tau = c(0,0.1,0.2,0.3,0.4,0.5,0.6,0.7)
Y = c(4,5,0,2,4,1,-4,3)
consisttestlist <- consist.test(T,tau,Y,ngates=5)
consisttestlist$stat
consisttestlist$pval
```

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consistcv.test	<i>The Consistency Test for Grouped Average Treatment Effects (GATEs) under Cross Validation in Randomized Experiments</i>
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**Description**

This function calculates statistics related to the test of treatment effect consistency across groups under cross-validation.

**Usage**

```
consistcv.test(T, tau, Y, ind, ngates = 5, nsim = 10000)
```

**Arguments**

T	A vector of the unit-level binary treatment receipt variable for each sample.
tau	A vector of the unit-level continuous score. Conditional Average Treatment Effect is one possible measure.
Y	A vector of the outcome variable of interest for each sample.
ind	A vector of integers (between 1 and number of folds inclusive) indicating which testing set does each sample belong to.
ngates	The number of groups to separate the data into. The groups are determined by tau. Default is 5.
nsim	Number of Monte Carlo simulations used to simulate the null distributions. Default is 10000.

**Details**

The details of the methods for this design are given in Imai and Li (2022).

**Value**

A list that contains the following items:

stat	The estimated statistic for the test of consistency under cross-validation.
pval	The p-value of the null hypothesis (that the treatment effects are consistent)

**Author(s)**

Michael Lingzhi Li, Technology and Operations Management, Harvard Business School <mili@hbs.edu>, <https://www.michaellz.com/>;

**References**

Imai and Li (2022). “Statistical Inference for Heterogeneous Treatment Effects Discovered by Generic Machine Learning in Randomized Experiments”,

**Examples**

```
T = c(1,0,1,0,1,0,1,0)
tau = matrix(c(0,0.1,0.2,0.3,0.4,0.5,0.6,0.7,-0.5,-0.3,-0.1,0.1,0.3,0.5,0.7,0.9),nrow = 8, ncol = 2)
Y = c(4,5,0,2,4,1,-4,3)
ind = c(rep(1,4),rep(2,4))
consisttestlist <- consistcv.test(T,tau,Y,ind,ngates=2)
consisttestlist$stat
consisttestlist$pval
```

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create_ml_args	<i>Create general arguments</i>
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**Description**

Create general arguments

**Usage**

```
create_ml_args(data)
```

**Arguments**

data	A dataset
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create\_ml\_args\_bart    *Create arguments for bartMachine*

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**Description**

Create arguments for bartMachine

**Usage**

create\_ml\_args\_bart(data)

**Arguments**

data                    A dataset

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create\_ml\_args\_bartc    *Create arguments for bartCause*

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**Description**

Create arguments for bartCause

**Usage**

create\_ml\_args\_bartc(data)

**Arguments**

data                    A dataset

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create\_ml\_args\_causalforest  
*Create arguments for causal forest*

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**Description**

Create arguments for causal forest

**Usage**

create\_ml\_args\_causalforest(data)

**Arguments**

data                    A dataset

create\_ml\_args\_lasso *Create arguments for LASSO*

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**Description**

Create arguments for LASSO

**Usage**

```
create_ml_args_lasso(data)
```

**Arguments**

data	A dataset
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create\_ml\_args\_superLearner  
*Create arguments for super learner*

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**Description**

Create arguments for super learner

**Usage**

```
create_ml_args_superLearner(data)
```

**Arguments**

data	A dataset
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create\_ml\_args\_svm *Create arguments for SVM*

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**Description**

Create arguments for SVM

**Usage**

```
create_ml_args_svm(data)
```

**Arguments**

data	A dataset
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create\_ml\_args\_svm\_cls

*Create arguments for SVM classification*

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### **Description**

Create arguments for SVM classification

### **Usage**

```
create_ml_args_svm_cls(data)
```

### **Arguments**

data	A dataset
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create\_ml\_arguments

*Create arguments for ML algorithms*

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### **Description**

Create arguments for ML algorithms

### **Usage**

```
create_ml_arguments(outcome, treatment, data)
```

### **Arguments**

outcome	Outcome of interests
treatment	Treatment variable
data	A dataset

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estimate_itr	<i>Estimate individual treatment rules (ITR)</i>
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### Description

Estimate individual treatment rules (ITR)

### Usage

```
estimate_itr(
  treatment,
  form,
  data,
  algorithms,
  budget,
  n_folds = 5,
  split_ratio = 0,
  ngates = 5,
  preProcess = NULL,
  weights = NULL,
  trControl = caret::trainControl(method = "none"),
  tuneGrid = NULL,
  tuneLength = ifelse(trControl$method == "none", 1, 3),
  user_model = NULL,
  SL_library = NULL,
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

treatment	Treatment variable
form	a formula object that takes the form $y \sim T + x_1 + x_2 + \dots$
data	A data frame that contains the outcome $y$ and the treatment $T$ .
algorithms	List of machine learning algorithms to be used.
budget	The maximum percentage of population that can be treated under the budget constraint.
n_folds	Number of cross-validation folds. Default is 5.
split_ratio	Split ratio between train and test set under sample splitting. Default is 0.
ngates	The number of groups to separate the data into. The groups are determined by $\tau$ . Default is 5.
preProcess	caret parameter
weights	caret parameter
trControl	caret parameter
tuneGrid	caret parameter

tuneLength	caret parameter
user_model	A user-defined function to create an ITR. The function should take the data as input and return a model to estimate the ITR.
SL_library	A list of machine learning algorithms to be used in the super learner.
...	Additional arguments passed to <code>caret::train</code>

**Value**

An object of `itr` class

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evaluate_itr	<i>Evaluate ITR</i>
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**Description**

Evaluate ITR

**Usage**

```
evaluate_itr(
  fit = NULL,
  user_itr = NULL,
  outcome = c(),
  treatment = c(),
  data = list(),
  budget = 1,
  ngates = 5,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

fit	Fitted model. Usually an output from <code>estimate_itr</code>
user_itr	A user-defined function to create an ITR. The function should take the data as input and return an unit-level continuous score for treatment assignment. We assume those that have score less than 0 should not have treatment. The default is NULL, which means the ITR will be estimated from the <code>estimate_itr</code> .
outcome	A character string of the outcome variable name.
treatment	A character string of the treatment variable name.
data	A data frame containing the variables specified in <code>outcome</code> , <code>treatment</code> , and <code>tau</code> .
budget	The maximum percentage of population that can be treated under the budget constraint.

ngates	The number of gates to use for the ITR. The default is 5. A user-defined function to create an ITR. The function should take the data as input and return an ITR. The output is a vector of the unit-level binary treatment that would have been assigned by the individualized treatment rule. The default is NULL, which means the ITR will be estimated from the estimate_itr. See ?evaluate_itr for an example.
...	Further arguments passed to the function.

**Value**

An object of itr class

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fit_itr	<i>Estimate ITR for Single Outcome</i>
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**Description**

Estimate ITR for Single Outcome

**Usage**

```
fit_itr(data, algorithms, params, folds, budget, user_model, ...)
```

**Arguments**

data	A dataset.
algorithms	Machine learning algorithms.
params	A list of parameters.
folds	Number of folds.
budget	The maximum percentage of population that can be treated under the budget constraint.
user_model	User's own function to estimated the ITR.
...	Additional arguments passed to caret::train

**Value**

A list of estimates.

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GATE	<i>Estimation of the Grouped Average Treatment Effects (GATEs) in Randomized Experiments</i>
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### Description

This function estimates the Grouped Average Treatment Effects (GATEs) where the groups are determined by a continuous score. The details of the methods for this design are given in Imai and Li (2022).

### Usage

```
GATE(T, tau, Y, ngates = 5)
```

### Arguments

T	A vector of the unit-level binary treatment receipt variable for each sample.
tau	A vector of the unit-level continuous score. Conditional Average Treatment Effect is one possible measure.
Y	A vector of the outcome variable of interest for each sample.
ngates	The number of groups to separate the data into. The groups are determined by tau. Default is 5.

### Value

A list that contains the following items:

gate	The estimated vector of GATEs of length ngates arranged in order of increasing tau.
sd	The estimated vector of standard deviation of GATEs.

### Author(s)

Michael Lingzhi Li, Technology and Operations Management, Harvard Business School <mili@hbs.edu>, <https://www.michaellz.com/>;

### References

Imai and Li (2022). “Statistical Inference for Heterogeneous Treatment Effects Discovered by Generic Machine Learning in Randomized Experiments”,

**Examples**

```
T = c(1,0,1,0,1,0,1,0)
tau = c(0,0.1,0.2,0.3,0.4,0.5,0.6,0.7)
Y = c(4,5,0,2,4,1,-4,3)
gatelist <- GATE(T,tau,Y,ngates=5)
gatelist$gate
gatelist$sd
```

GATEcv

*Estimation of the Grouped Average Treatment Effects (GATEs) in Randomized Experiments Under Cross Validation*

**Description**

This function estimates the Grouped Average Treatment Effects (GATEs) under cross-validation where the groups are determined by a continuous score. The details of the methods for this design are given in Imai and Li (2022).

**Usage**

```
GATEcv(T, tau, Y, ind, ngates = 5)
```

**Arguments**

T	A vector of the unit-level binary treatment receipt variable for each sample.
tau	A matrix where the $i$ th column is the unit-level continuous score for treatment assignment generated in the $i$ th fold. Conditional Average Treatment Effect is one possible measure.
Y	A vector of the outcome variable of interest for each sample.
ind	A vector of integers (between 1 and number of folds inclusive) indicating which testing set does each sample belong to.
ngates	The number of groups to separate the data into. The groups are determined by tau. Default is 5.

**Value**

A list that contains the following items:

gate	The estimated vector of GATEs under cross-validation of length ngates arranged in order of increasing tau.
sd	The estimated vector of standard deviation of GATEs under cross-validation.

**Author(s)**

Michael Lingzhi Li, Technology and Operations Management, Harvard Business School <mili@hbs.edu>, <https://www.michaellz.com/>;



## References

Imai and Li (2022). “Statistical Inference for Heterogeneous Treatment Effects Discovered by Generic Machine Learning in Randomized Experiments”,

## Examples

```
T = c(1,0,1,0,1,0,1,0)
tau = matrix(c(0,0.1,0.2,0.3,0.4,0.5,0.6,0.7,-0.5,-0.3,-0.1,0.1,0.3,0.5,0.7,0.9),nrow = 8, ncol = 2)
Y = c(4,5,0,2,4,1,-4,3)
ind = c(rep(1,4),rep(2,4))
gatelist <- GATEcv(T, tau, Y, ind, ngates = 2)
gatelist$gate
gatelist$sd
```

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het.test	<i>The Heterogeneity Test for Grouped Average Treatment Effects (GATEs) in Randomized Experiments</i>
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## Description

This function calculates statistics related to the test of heterogeneous treatment effects across groups.

## Usage

```
het.test(T, tau, Y, ngates = 5)
```

## Arguments

T	A vector of the unit-level binary treatment receipt variable for each sample.
tau	A vector of the unit-level continuous score. Conditional Average Treatment Effect is one possible measure.
Y	A vector of the outcome variable of interest for each sample.
ngates	The number of groups to separate the data into. The groups are determined by tau. Default is 5.

## Details

The details of the methods for this design are given in Imai and Li (2022).

## Value

A list that contains the following items:

stat	The estimated statistic for the test of heterogeneity.
pval	The p-value of the null hypothesis (that the treatment effects are homogeneous)

**Author(s)**

Michael Lingzhi Li, Technology and Operations Management, Harvard Business School <mili@hbs.edu>, <https://www.michaellz.com/>;

**References**

Imai and Li (2022). “Statistical Inference for Heterogeneous Treatment Effects Discovered by Generic Machine Learning in Randomized Experiments”,

**Examples**

```
T = c(1,0,1,0,1,0,1,0)
tau = c(0,0.1,0.2,0.3,0.4,0.5,0.6,0.7)
Y = c(4,5,0,2,4,1,-4,3)
hettestlist <- het.test(T,tau,Y,ngates=5)
hettestlist$stat
hettestlist$pval
```

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hetcv.test

*The Heterogeneity Test for Grouped Average Treatment Effects (GATEs) under Cross Validation in Randomized Experiments*

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**Description**

This function calculates statistics related to the test of heterogeneous treatment effects across groups under cross-validation.

**Usage**

```
hetcv.test(T, tau, Y, ind, ngates = 5)
```

**Arguments**

T	A vector of the unit-level binary treatment receipt variable for each sample.
tau	A vector of the unit-level continuous score. Conditional Average Treatment Effect is one possible measure.
Y	A vector of the outcome variable of interest for each sample.
ind	A vector of integers (between 1 and number of folds inclusive) indicating which testing set does each sample belong to.
ngates	The number of groups to separate the data into. The groups are determined by tau. Default is 5.

**Details**

The details of the methods for this design are given in Imai and Li (2022).

**Value**

A list that contains the following items:

stat	The estimated statistic for the test of heterogeneity under cross-validation.
pval	The p-value of the null hypothesis (that the treatment effects are homogeneous)

**Author(s)**

Michael Lingzhi Li, Technology and Operations Management, Harvard Business School <mili@hbs.edu>, <https://www.michaellz.com/>;

**References**

Imai and Li (2022). “Statistical Inference for Heterogeneous Treatment Effects Discovered by Generic Machine Learning in Randomized Experiments”,

**Examples**

```
T = c(1,0,1,0,1,0,1,0)
tau = matrix(c(0,0.1,0.2,0.3,0.4,0.5,0.6,0.7,-0.5,-0.3,-0.1,0.1,0.3,0.5,0.7,0.9),nrow = 8, ncol = 2)
Y = c(4,5,0,2,4,1,-4,3)
ind = c(rep(1,4),rep(2,4))
hettetlist <- hetcv.test(T,tau,Y,ind,ngates=2)
hettetlist$stat
hettetlist$pval
```

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PAPD

*Estimation of the Population Average Prescription Difference in Randomized Experiments*

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**Description**

This function estimates the Population Average Prescription Difference with a budget constraint. The details of the methods for this design are given in Imai and Li (2019).

**Usage**

```
PAPD(T, Thatfp, Thatgp, Y, budget, centered = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

T	A vector of the unit-level binary treatment receipt variable for each sample.
Thatfp	A vector of the unit-level binary treatment that would have been assigned by the first individualized treatment rule. Please ensure that the percentage of treatment units of That is lower than the budget constraint.
Thatgp	A vector of the unit-level binary treatment that would have been assigned by the second individualized treatment rule. Please ensure that the percentage of treatment units of That is lower than the budget constraint.

Y	A vector of the outcome variable of interest for each sample.
budget	The maximum percentage of population that can be treated under the budget constraint. Should be a decimal between 0 and 1.
centered	If TRUE, the outcome variables would be centered before processing. This minimizes the variance of the estimator. Default is TRUE.

**Value**

A list that contains the following items:

papd	The estimated Population Average Prescription Difference
sd	The estimated standard deviation of PAPD.

**Author(s)**

Michael Lingzhi Li, Technology and Operations Management, Harvard Business School <mili@hbs.edu>, <https://www.michaellz.com/>;

**References**

Imai and Li (2019). “Experimental Evaluation of Individualized Treatment Rules”,

**Examples**

```
T = c(1,0,1,0,1,0,1,0)
That = c(0,1,1,0,0,1,1,0)
That2 = c(1,0,0,1,1,0,0,1)
Y = c(4,5,0,2,4,1,-4,3)
papdlist <- PAPD(T,That,That2,Y,budget = 0.5)
papdlist$papd
papdlist$sd
```

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PAPDcv

*Estimation of the Population Average Prescription Difference in Randomized Experiments Under Cross Validation*

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**Description**

This function estimates the Population Average Prescription Difference with a budget constraint under cross validation. The details of the methods for this design are given in Imai and Li (2019).

**Usage**

```
PAPDcv(T, Thatfp, Thatgp, Y, ind, budget, centered = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

T	A vector of the unit-level binary treatment receipt variable for each sample.
Thatfp	A matrix where the <i>i</i> th column is the unit-level binary treatment that would have been assigned by the first individualized treatment rule generated in the <i>i</i> th fold. Please ensure that the percentage of treatment units of That is lower than the budget constraint.
Thatgp	A matrix where the <i>i</i> th column is the unit-level binary treatment that would have been assigned by the second individualized treatment rule generated in the <i>i</i> th fold. Please ensure that the percentage of treatment units of That is lower than the budget constraint.
Y	The outcome variable of interest.
ind	A vector of integers (between 1 and number of folds inclusive) indicating which testing set does each sample belong to.
budget	The maximum percentage of population that can be treated under the budget constraint. Should be a decimal between 0 and 1.
centered	If TRUE, the outcome variables would be centered before processing. This minimizes the variance of the estimator. Default is TRUE.

**Value**

A list that contains the following items:

papd	The estimated Population Average Prescription Difference.
sd	The estimated standard deviation of PAPD.

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**References**

Imai and Li (2019). “Experimental Evaluation of Individualized Treatment Rules”,

**Examples**

```
T = c(1,0,1,0,1,0,1,0)
That = matrix(c(0,1,1,0,0,1,1,0,1,0,0,1,1,0,0,1), nrow = 8, ncol = 2)
That2 = matrix(c(0,0,1,1,0,0,1,1,1,1,0,0,1,1,0,0), nrow = 8, ncol = 2)
Y = c(4,5,0,2,4,1,-4,3)
ind = c(rep(1,4),rep(2,4))
papdlist <- PAPDcv(T, That, That2, Y, ind, budget = 0.5)
papdlist$papd
papdlist$sd
```

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PAPE	<i>Estimation of the Population Average Prescription Effect in Randomized Experiments</i>
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### Description

This function estimates the Population Average Prescription Effect with and without a budget constraint. The details of the methods for this design are given in Imai and Li (2019).

### Usage

```
PAPE(T, That, Y, budget = NA, centered = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

T	A vector of the unit-level binary treatment receipt variable for each sample.
That	A vector of the unit-level binary treatment that would have been assigned by the individualized treatment rule. If <code>budget</code> is specified, please ensure that the percentage of treatment units of <code>That</code> is lower than the budget constraint.
Y	A vector of the outcome variable of interest for each sample.
budget	The maximum percentage of population that can be treated under the budget constraint. Should be a decimal between 0 and 1. Default is NA which assumes no budget constraint.
centered	If TRUE, the outcome variables would be centered before processing. This minimizes the variance of the estimator. Default is TRUE.

### Value

A list that contains the following items:

pape	The estimated Population Average Prescription Effect.
sd	The estimated standard deviation of PAPE.

### Author(s)

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### References

Imai and Li (2019). “Experimental Evaluation of Individualized Treatment Rules”,

**Examples**

```
T = c(1,0,1,0,1,0,1,0)
That = c(0,1,1,0,0,1,1,0)
Y = c(4,5,0,2,4,1,-4,3)
papelist <- PAPE(T,That,Y)
papelist$pape
papelist$sd
```

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PAPEcv	<i>Estimation of the Population Average Prescription Effect in Randomized Experiments Under Cross Validation</i>
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**Description**

This function estimates the Population Average Prescription Effect with and without a budget constraint. The details of the methods for this design are given in Imai and Li (2019).

**Usage**

```
PAPEcv(T, That, Y, ind, budget = NA, centered = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

T	A vector of the unit-level binary treatment receipt variable for each sample.
That	A matrix where the <i>i</i> th column is the unit-level binary treatment that would have been assigned by the individualized treatment rule generated in the <i>i</i> th fold. If budget is specified, please ensure that the percentage of treatment units of That is lower than the budget constraint.
Y	The outcome variable of interest.
ind	A vector of integers (between 1 and number of folds inclusive) indicating which testing set does each sample belong to.
budget	The maximum percentage of population that can be treated under the budget constraint. Should be a decimal between 0 and 1. Default is NA which assumes no budget constraint.
centered	If TRUE, the outcome variables would be centered before processing. This minimizes the variance of the estimator. Default is TRUE.

**Value**

A list that contains the following items:

pape	The estimated Population Average Prescription Effect.
sd	The estimated standard deviation of PAPE.

**Author(s)**

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**References**

Imai and Li (2019). “Experimental Evaluation of Individualized Treatment Rules”,

**Examples**

```
T = c(1,0,1,0,1,0,1,0)
That = matrix(c(0,1,1,0,0,1,1,0,1,0,0,1,1,0,0,1), nrow = 8, ncol = 2)
Y = c(4,5,0,2,4,1,-4,3)
ind = c(rep(1,4),rep(2,4))
papelist <- PAPEcv(T, That, Y, ind)
papelist$pape
papelist$sd
```

PAV

*Estimation of the Population Average Value in Randomized Experiments*

**Description**

This function estimates the Population Average Value. The details of the methods for this design are given in Imai and Li (2019).

**Usage**

```
PAV(T, That, Y, centered = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

T	A vector of the unit-level binary treatment receipt variable for each sample.
That	A vector of the unit-level binary treatment that would have been assigned by the individualized treatment rule. If <code>budget</code> is specified, please ensure that the percentage of treatment units of <code>That</code> is lower than the budget constraint.
Y	A vector of the outcome variable of interest for each sample.
centered	If TRUE, the outcome variables would be centered before processing. This minimizes the variance of the estimator. Default is TRUE.

**Value**

A list that contains the following items:

pav	The estimated Population Average Value.
sd	The estimated standard deviation of PAV.



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**References**

Imai and Li (2019). “Experimental Evaluation of Individualized Treatment Rules”,

**Examples**

```
T = c(1,0,1,0,1,0,1,0)
That = c(0,1,1,0,0,1,1,0)
Y = c(4,5,0,2,4,1,-4,3)
pavlist <- PAV(T,That,Y)
pavlist$pav
pavlist$sd
```

PAVcv

*Estimation of the Population Average Value in Randomized Experiments Under Cross Validation*

**Description**

This function estimates the Population Average Value. The details of the methods for this design are given in Imai and Li (2019).

**Usage**

```
PAVcv(T, That, Y, ind, centered = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

T	A vector of the unit-level binary treatment receipt variable for each sample.
That	A matrix where the <i>i</i> th column is the unit-level binary treatment that would have been assigned by the individualized treatment rule generated in the <i>i</i> th fold. If budget is specified, please ensure that the percentage of treatment units of That is lower than the budget constraint.
Y	The outcome variable of interest.
ind	A vector of integers (between 1 and number of folds inclusive) indicating which testing set does each sample belong to.
centered	If TRUE, the outcome variables would be centered before processing. This minimizes the variance of the estimator. Default is TRUE.

**Value**

A list that contains the following items:

pav	The estimated Population Average Value.
sd	The estimated standard deviation of PAV.

**Author(s)**

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**References**

Imai and Li (2019). “Experimental Evaluation of Individualized Treatment Rules”,

**Examples**

```
T = c(1,0,1,0,1,0,1,0)
That = matrix(c(0,1,1,0,0,1,1,0,1,0,0,1,1,0,0,1), nrow = 8, ncol = 2)
Y = c(4,5,0,2,4,1,-4,3)
ind = c(rep(1,4),rep(2,4))
pavlist <- PAVcv(T, That, Y, ind)
pavlist$pav
pavlist$sd
```

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plot.itr

*Plot the AUPEC curve*

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**Description**

Plot the AUPEC curve

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

x	An object of evaluate_itr() class. This is typically an output of evaluate_itr() function.
...	Further arguments passed to the function.

**Value**

A plot of ggplot2 object.

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plot_estimate	<i>Plot the GATE estimate</i>
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**Description**

Plot the GATE estimate

**Usage**

```
plot_estimate(x, type, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	An table object. This is typically an output of <code>evaluate_itr()</code> function.
type	The metric that you wish to plot. One of GATE, PAPE, PAPEp, or PAPDp.
...	Further arguments passed to the function.

**Value**

A plot of ggplot2 object.

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print.summary.itr	<i>Print</i>
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**Description**

Print

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'summary.itr'  
print(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	An object of <code>summary.itr</code> class. This is typically an output of <code>summary.itr()</code> function.
...	Other parameters. Currently not supported.

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```
print.summary.test_itr
```

*Print*

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### Description

Print

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'summary.test_itr'
print(x, ...)
```

### Arguments

x	An object of <code>summary.test_itr</code> class. This is typically an output of <code>summary.test_itr()</code> function.
...	Other parameters.

---

```
star
```

*Tennessee's Student/Teacher Achievement Ratio (STAR) project*

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### Description

A longitudinal study experimentally evaluating the impacts of class size in early education on various outcomes (Mosteller, 1995)

### Usage

```
star
```

### Format

A data frame with 1911 observations and 14 variables:

**treatment** A binary treatment indicating whether a student is assigned to small class and regular class without an aid

**g3tlangss** A continuous variable measuring student's writing scores

**g3treadss** A continuous variable measuring student's reading scores

**g3tmathss** A continuous variable measuring student's math scores

**gender** Students' gender

**race** Students' race

**birthmonth** Students' birth month

**birthyear** Students' birth year

**SCHLURBN** Urban or rural  
**GKENRMNT** Enrollment size  
**GRDRANGE** Grade range  
**GKFRLNCH** Number of students on free lunch  
**GKBUSED** Number of students on school buses  
**GKWHITE** Percentage of white students

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summary.itr                      *Summarize estimate\_itr output*

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### Description

Summarize estimate\_itr output

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'itr'
summary(object, ...)
```

### Arguments

object	An object of estimate_itr class (typically an output of estimate_itr() function).
...	Other parameters.

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summary.test\_itr                      *Summarize test\_itr output*

---

### Description

Summarize test\_itr output

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'test_itr'
summary(object, ...)
```

### Arguments

object	An object of test_itr class (typically an output of test_itr() function).
...	Other parameters.

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test_itr	<i>Conduct hypothesis tests</i>
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**Description**

Conduct hypothesis tests

**Usage**

```
test_itr(fit, nsim = 1000, ...)
```

**Arguments**

fit	Fitted model. Usually an output from <code>estimate_itr</code>
nsim	Number of Monte Carlo simulations used to simulate the null distributions. Default is 1000.
...	Further arguments passed to the function.

**Value**

An object of `test_itr` class

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