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**Title** Nonstationary Small Area Estimation

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**Description** Executes spatial nonstationary Fay-Herriot models for small area estimation. The empirical best linear unbiased predictor (EBLUP) under stationary and nonstationary Fay-Herriot models along with the mean squared error estimation are included. EBLUP for prediction of non-sample area is also included under both stationary and nonstationary Fay-Herriot models. This extension to the Fay-Herriot model that accounts for the presence of spatial nonstationarity was developed by Hukum Chandra, Nicola Salvati and Ray Chambers (2015) <[doi:10.1093/jssam/smu026](https://doi.org/10.1093/jssam/smu026)>. This package is dedicated to the memory of Dr. Hukum Chandra who passed away while the package creation was in progress.

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eblupFH1	<i>EBLUP under stationary Fay-Herriot model for sample area</i>
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### Description

This function gives the EBLUP and the estimate of mean squared error (mse) based on a stationary Fay-Herriot model for sample area.

### Usage

```
eblupFH1(formula, vardir, method = "REML", data)
```

### Arguments

formula	an object of class list of formula, describe the model to be fitted
vardir	a vector of sampling variances of direct estimators for each small area
method	type of fitting method, default is "REML" method
data	a data frame comprising the variables named in formula and vardir

### Value

The function returns a list with the following objects:

**eblup** a vector with the values of the estimators for each small area

**mse** a vector of the mean squared error estimates for each small area

**sample** a matrix consist of area code, eblup, mse, standard error (SE) and coefficient of variation (CV)

**fit** a list containing the following objects:

- **estcoef** : a data frame with the estimated model coefficients in the first column (beta), their asymptotic standard errors in the second column (std.error), the t statistics in the third column (tvalue) and the p-values of the significance of each coefficient in last column (pvalue)
- **refvar** : estimated random effects variance
- **randomeffect** : a data frame with the values of the random effect estimators

**Examples**

```
# Load data set
data(paddysample)
# Fit Fay-Herriot model using sample part of paddy data
result <- eblupFH1(y ~ x1+x2, var, method="REML", data = paddysample)
result
```

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eblupFH2	<i>EBLUP under stationary Fay-Herriot model for sample and non-sample area</i>
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**Description**

This function gives the EBLUP and the estimate of mean squared error (mse) based on a stationary Fay-Herriot model for both sample and non-sample area.

**Usage**

```
eblupFH2(formula, vardir, indicator, method = "REML", data)
```

**Arguments**

formula	an object of class list of formula, describe the model to be fitted
vardir	a vector of sampling variances of direct estimators for each small area
indicator	a vector indicating the sample and non-sample area
method	type of fitting method, default is "REML" methods
data	a data frame comprising the variables named in formula and vardir

**Value**

The function returns a list with the following objects:

**eblup** a vector with the values of the estimators for each sample area

**eblup.out** a vector with the values of the estimators for each non-sample area

**mse** a vector of the mean squared error estimates for each sample area

**mse.out** a vector of the mean squared error estimates for each non-sample area

**sample** a matrix consist of area code, eblup, mse, SE and CV for sample area

**nonsample** a matrix consist of area code, eblup, mse, SE and CV for non-sample area

**fit** a list containing the following objects:

- **estcoef** : a data frame with the estimated model coefficients in the first column (beta), their asymptotic standard errors in the second column (std.error), the t statistics in the third column (tvalue) and the p-values of the significance of each coefficient in last column (pvalue)
- **refvar** : estimated random effects variance
- **randomeffect** : a data frame with the values of the random effect estimators

**Examples**

```
# Load data set
data(paddy)
# Fit Fay-Herriot model using sample and non-sample part of paddy data
result <- eblupFH2(y ~ x1+x2, var, indicator ,method="REML", data = paddy)
result
```

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eblupNSFH1

*EBLUP under nonstationary Fay-Herriot model for sample area*


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**Description**

This function gives the EBLUP and the estimate of mean squared error (mse) based on a nonstationary Fay-Herriot model for sample area.

**Usage**

```
eblupNSFH1(formula, vardir, lat, long, method = "REML", data)
```

**Arguments**

formula	an object of class list of formula, describe the model to be fitted
vardir	a vector of sampling variances of direct estimators for each small area
lat	a vector of latitude for each small area
long	a vector of longitude for each small area
method	type of fitting method, default is "REML" methods
data	a data frame comprising the variables named in formula, vardir, lat and long

**Value**

The function returns a list with the following objects:

**eblup** a vector with the values of the estimators for each small area

**mse** a vector of the mean squared error estimates for each small area

**sample** a matrix consist of area code, eblup, mse, SE and CV

**fit** a list containing the following objects:

- **estcoef** : a data frame with the estimated model coefficients in the first column (beta), their asymptotic standard errors in the second column (std.error), the t statistics in the third column (tvalue) and the p-values of the significance of each coefficient in last column (pvalue)
- **refvar** : estimated random effects variance
- **spatialcorr** : spatial correlation parameter
- **randomeffect** : a data frame with the values of the random effect estimators

**Examples**

```
# Load data set
data(paddysample)
# Fit nonstationary Fay-Herriot model using sample part of paddy data
result <- eblupNSFH1(y ~ x1+x2, var, latitude, longitude, method="REML", data = paddysample)
result
```

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eblupNSFH2	<i>EBLUP under nonstationary Fay-Herriot model for sample and non-sample area</i>
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**Description**

This function gives the EBLUP and the estimate of mean squared error (mse) based on a nonstationary Fay-Herriot model for both sample and non-sample area.

**Usage**

```
eblupNSFH2(formula, vardir, lat, long, indicator, method = "REML", data)
```

**Arguments**

formula	an object of class list of formula, describe the model to be fitted
vardir	a vector of sampling variances of direct estimators for each small area
lat	a vector of latitude for each small area
long	a vector of longitude for each small area
indicator	a vector indicating the sample and non-sample area
method	type of fitting method, default is "REML" methods
data	a data frame comprising the variables named in formula, vardir, lat and long

**Value**

The function returns a list with the following objects:

**eblup** a vector with the values of the estimators for each sample area

**eblup.out** a vector with the values of the estimators for each non-sample area

**mse** a vector of the mean squared error estimates for each sample area

**mse.out** a vector of the mean squared error estimates for each non-sample area

**sample** a matrix consist of area code, eblup, mse, SE and CV for sample area

**nonsample** a matrix consist of area code, eblup, mse, SE and CV for non-sample area

**fit** a list containing the following objects:

- **estcoef** : a data frame with the estimated model coefficients in the first column (beta), their asymptotic standard errors in the second column (std.error), the t statistics in the third column (tvalue) and the p-values of the significance of each coefficient in last column (pvalue)

- `refvar` : estimated random effects variance
- `spatialcorr` : estimated spatial correlation parameter
- `randomeffect` : a data frame with the values of the random effect estimators

### Examples

```
# Load data set
data(paddy)
# Fit nonstationary Fay-Herriot model using sample and non-sample part of paddy data
result <- eblupNSFH2(y ~ x1+x2, var, latitude, longitude, indicator , method="REML", data = paddy)
result
```

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NSAE

*NSAE : Nonstationary Small Area Estimation*

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### Description

Executes nonstationary Fay-Herriot model for small area estimation. It produces empirical best linear unbiased predictor (EBLUP) under stationary and nonstationary Fay-Herriot models. This package includes Fay-Herriot model for sample and non-sample area, nonstationary Fay-Herriot model for sample and non-sample area. Functions give EBLUP estimators and mean squared error (MSE) estimator for each model. The nonstationary Fay-Herriot model was developed by Hukum Chandra, Nicola Salvati and Ray Chambers (2015) <doi:10.1093/jssam/smu026>

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### Functions

[eblupFH1](#) Provides the EBLUPs and MSE under stationary Fay-Herriot model for sample area

[eblupFH2](#) Provides the EBLUPs and MSE under stationary Fay-Herriot model for sample and non-sample area

[eblupNSFH1](#) Provides the EBLUPs and MSE under nonstationary Fay-Herriot model for sample area

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paddy

*Yield data of paddy*

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### Description

Dataset on paddy yield used by Chandra et al. (2016).

### Usage

```
data(paddy)
```

### Format

A data frame with 70 observations on the following 9 variables:

**D** Small area code

**latitude** Latitude of each small areas

**longitude** Longitude of each small areas

**n** Sample size of each small areas

**y** Average yield data of paddy crop for the year 2009-10 (direct estimates for the small areas)

**var** Estimated variance of y

**x1** First covariate (average household size) used by Chandra et al. (2016)

**x2** Second covariate (female population of marginal household) used by Chandra et al. (2016)

**indicator** Index for sample and non-sample area

### Reference

Chandra, H., salvati, N., chambers, R. and Sud, U. C. (2016). A Spatially Nonstationary Fay-Herriot Model for Small Area Estimation - An Application to Crop Yield Estimation. Seventh International Conference on Agricultural Statistics. Rome. DOI:10.1481/icasVII.2016.f35.

### Examples

```
data(paddy)
yield <- paddy$y
summary(yield)
```

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paddysample

*Yield data of paddy for sample area*

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### Description

Dataset on paddy yield for sample area used by Chandra et al. (2016).

### Usage

```
data(paddysample)
```

### Format

A data frame with 58 observations on the following 8 variables:

**D** Small area code

**latitude** Latitude of each small areas

**longitude** Longitude of each small areas

**n** Sample size of each small areas

**y** Average yield data of paddy crop for the year 2009-10 (direct estimates for the small areas)

**var** Estimated variance of y

**x1** First covariate (average household size) used by Chandra et al. (2016)

**x2** Second covariate (female population of marginal household) used by Chandra et al. (2016)

### Reference

Chandra, H., salvati, N., chambers, R. and Sud, U. C. (2016). A Spatially Nonstationary Fay-Herriot Model for Small Area Estimation - An Application to Crop Yield Estimation. Seventh International Conference on Agricultural Statistics. Rome. DOI:10.1481/icasVII.2016.f35.

### Examples

```
data(paddysample)
yield <- paddysample$y
summary(yield)
```



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