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**Description** An implementation of the cross-validated difference in means (CVDm) test by Desmarais and Harden (2014) <doi:10.1007/s11135-013-9884-7> (see also Harden and Desmarais, 2011 <doi:10.1177/1532440011408929>) and the cross-validated median fit (CVMF) test by Desmarais and Harden (2012) <doi:10.1093/pan/mpr042>. These tests use leave-one-out cross-validated log-likelihoods to assist in selecting among model estimations. You can also utilize data from Golder (2010) <doi:10.1177/0010414009341714> and Joshi & Mason (2008) <doi:10.1177/0022343308096155> that are included to facilitate examples from real-world analysis.

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cvdm	<i>Cross-Validated Difference in Means (CVDM) Test</i>
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## Description

Applies cross-validated log-likelihood difference in means test to compare two methods of estimating a formula. The output identifies the more appropriate model.

In choosing between OLS and MR, please cite:

- Harden, J. J., & Desmarais, B. A. (2011). Linear Models with Outliers: Choosing between Conditional-Mean and Conditional-Median Methods. *State Politics & Policy Quarterly*, 11(4), 371-389. doi: [10.1177/1532440011408929](https://doi.org/10.1177/1532440011408929)

For other applications of the CVDM test, please cite:

- Desmarais, B. A., & Harden, J. J. (2014). An Unbiased Model Comparison Test Using Cross-Validation. *Quality & Quantity*, 48(4), 2155-2173. doi: [10.1007/s1113501398847](https://doi.org/10.1007/s1113501398847)

## Usage

```
cvdm(
  formula,
  data,
  method1 = c("OLS", "MR", "RLM", "RLM-MM"),
  method2 = c("OLS", "MR", "RLM", "RLM-MM"),
  subset,
  na.action,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

formula	A formula object, with the dependent variable on the left of a ~ operator, and the independent variables on the right.
data	A data frame, list or environment (or object coercible by <code>as.data.frame</code> to a data frame) containing the variables in the model.
method1	A method to estimate the model. Currently takes Ordinary Least Squares ("OLS"), Median Regression ("MR"), Robust Linear Regression ("RLM") using M-estimation, and Robust Linear Regression using MM-estimation ("RLM-MM"). The algorithm method used to compute the fit for the median regression is the modified version of the Barrodale and Roberts algorithm for l1-regression, which is the <code>rq</code> default by R package <code>quantreg</code> . See <code>quantreg</code> <code>rq</code> function documentation for more details. Fitting for the robust regressions is done by iterated re-weighted least squares (IWLS) and is taken from the MASS package <code>rlm</code> function. The MM-estimation is the M-estimation with Tukey's biweight initialized by a specific S-estimate. The M-estimation, which can be achieved in this package with the option "RLM", is the default for the MASS <code>rlm</code> function. See MASS package <code>rlm</code> documentation for details.
method2	A method to estimate the model. Options are same as for method1.
subset	Expression indicating which subset of the rows of data should be used in the fit. All observations are included by default.
na.action	A missing-data filter function, applied to the model.frame, after any subset argument has been used.
...	Optional arguments, currently unsupported.

**Details**

This function implements the cross-validated difference in means (CVDM) test between two methods of estimating a formula. The function takes a formula and two methods and computes a vector of cross-validated log-likelihoods (CVLLs) for each method using the leave-one-out method. These output test score is the cross-validated Johnson's t-test. A positive test statistic supports the first method and a negative test statistic supports the second. Singular matrices during the leave-one-out cross-validation process are skipped.

**Value**

An object of class `cvdm` computed by the cross-validated log likelihood difference in means test (CVDM). The object is the Cross-Validated Johnson's t-test. A positive test statistic supports the first method and a negative test statistic supports the second. See `cvdm_object` for more details.

**References**

- Harden, J. J., & Desmarais, B. A. (2011). Linear Models with Outliers: Choosing between Conditional-Mean and Conditional-Median Methods. *State Politics & Policy Quarterly*, 11(4), 371-389. doi: [10.1177/1532440011408929](https://doi.org/10.1177/1532440011408929)
- Desmarais, B. A., & Harden, J. J. (2014). An Unbiased Model Comparison Test Using Cross-Validation. *Quality & Quantity*, 48(4), 2155-2173. doi: [10.1007/s1113501398847](https://doi.org/10.1007/s1113501398847)

## Examples

```
set.seed(123456)
b0 <- .2 # True value for the intercept
b1 <- .5 # True value for the slope
n <- 500 # Sample size
X <- runif(n, -1, 1)

Y <- b0 + b1 * X + rnorm(n, 0, 1) # N(0, 1 error)

obj_cvdm <- cvdm(Y ~ X, data.frame(cbind(Y, X)), method1 = "OLS", method2 = "MR")
```

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cvdm\_object

*Cross-Validated Difference in Means (CVDM) Object*

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## Description

This class of objects is returned by the `cvdm` function to compare two methods of estimating a formula.

## Value

The following components must be included in a legitimate `cvdm` object.

<code>best</code>	name of the estimation method favored by the <code>cvdm</code> test.
<code>test_stat</code>	object returned by the bias-corrected Johnson's t-test. A positive test statistic supports method 1 and a negative test statistic supports method 2.
<code>p_value</code>	p-value for the test statistic.
<code>n</code>	number of observations.
<code>df</code>	degrees of freedom.

The object also contain the following: `call`, `x`, and `y`. See [lm](#) documentation for more.

## See Also

[cvdm](#)

cvll

*Cross-Validated Log Likelihood (CVLL)***Description**

Extracts the leave-one-out cross-validated log-likelihoods from a method of estimating a formula.

**Usage**

```
cvll(
  formula,
  data,
  method = c("OLS", "MR", "RLM", "RLM-MM"),
  subset,
  na.action,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

formula	A formula object, with the dependent variable on the left of a ~ operator, and the independent variables on the right.
data	A data frame, list or environment (or object coercible by <code>as.data.frame</code> to a data frame) containing the variables in the model.
method	A method to estimate the model. Currently takes Ordinary Least Squares ("OLS"), Median Regression ("MR"), Robust Linear Regression ("RLM") using M-estimation, and Robust Linear Regression using MM-estimation ("RLM-MM"). The algorithm method used to compute the fit for the median regression is the modified version of the Barrodale and Roberts algorithm for l1-regression, which is the <a href="#">rq</a> default by R package <code>quantreg</code> . See <code>quantreg</code> <a href="#">rq</a> function documentation for more details. Fitting for the robust regressions is done by iterated re-weighted least squares (IWLS) and is taken from the MASS package <code>rlm</code> function. The MM-estimation is the M-estimation with Tukey's biweight initialized by a specific S-estimate. The M-estimation, which can be achieved in this package with the option "RLM", is the default for the MASS <code>rlm</code> function. See MASS package <a href="#">rlm</a> documentation for details.
subset	Expression indicating which subset of the rows of data should be used in the fit. All observations are included by default.
na.action	A missing-data filter function, applied to the model.frame, after any subset argument has been used.
...	Optional arguments, currently unsupported.

**Details**

This function extracts a vector of leave-one-out cross-validated log likelihoods (CVLLs) from a method of estimating a formula. Singular matrices during the leave-one-out cross-validation process are skipped.

**Value**

An object of class `cvll` computed by the cross-validated log likelihood (CVLL). See `cvdm_object` for more details.

**References**

- Harden, J. J., & Desmarais, B. A. (2011). Linear Models with Outliers: Choosing between Conditional-Mean and Conditional-Median Methods. *State Politics & Policy Quarterly*, 11(4), 371-389. doi: [10.1177/1532440011408929](https://doi.org/10.1177/1532440011408929)
- Desmarais, B. A., & Harden, J. J. (2014). An Unbiased Model Comparison Test Using Cross-Validation. *Quality & Quantity*, 48(4), 2155-2173. doi: [10.1007/s1113501398847](https://doi.org/10.1007/s1113501398847)

**Examples**

```
set.seed(123456)
b0 <- .2 # True value for the intercept
b1 <- .5 # True value for the slope
n <- 500 # Sample size
X <- runif(n, -1, 1)

Y <- b0 + b1 * X + rnorm(n, 0, 1) # N(0, 1 error)

obj_cvll <- cvll(Y ~ X, data.frame(cbind(Y, X)), method = "OLS")
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 cvlldiff

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*Cross-Validated Difference in Means (CVDM) Test with Vector Inputs*


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**Description**

Applies cross-validated log-likelihood to test between two methods of estimating a formula. The output identifies the vector from the more appropriate model.

Please cite:

Desmarais, B. A., & Harden, J. J. (2014). An Unbiased Model Comparison Test Using Cross-Validation. *Quality & Quantity*, 48(4), 2155-2173. doi: [10.1007/s1113501398847](https://doi.org/10.1007/s1113501398847)

**Usage**

```
cvlldiff(vector1, vector2, df)
```

**Arguments**

<code>vector1</code>	A numeric vector of cross-validated log-likelihoods.
<code>vector2</code>	A numeric vector of cross-validated log-likelihoods.
<code>df</code>	A value of the degrees of freedom in the models.

**Details**

This function implements the cross-validated difference in means (CVDM) test between two vectors of cross-validated log-likelihoods. A positive test statistic supports the method that produced the first vector and a negative test statistic supports the second.

**Value**

An object of class `cvlldiff` computed by the cross-validated log likelihood difference in means test (CVDM). The test statistic object is the Cross-Validated Johnson's t-test. A positive test statistic supports the first method and a negative test statistic supports the second. See [cvdm\\_object](#) for more details.

**References**

Desmarais, B. A., & Harden, J. J. (2014). An Unbiased Model Comparison Test Using Cross-Validation. *Quality & Quantity*, 48(4), 2155-2173. doi: [10.1007/s1113501398847](https://doi.org/10.1007/s1113501398847)

**Examples**

```
set.seed(123456)
b0 <- .2 # True value for the intercept
b1 <- .5 # True value for the slope
n <- 500 # Sample size
X <- runif(n, -1, 1)

Y <- b0 + b1 * X + rnorm(n, 0, 1) # N(0, 1 error)
cvll_ols <- cvll(Y ~ X, data.frame(cbind(Y, X)), method = "OLS")
cvll_mr <- cvll(Y ~ X, data.frame(cbind(Y, X)), method = "MR")
obj_compare <- cvlldiff(cvll_ols$cvll, cvll_mr$cvll, cvll_ols$df)
```

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cvlldiff_object	<i>Cross-Validated Difference in Means (CVDM) Object from General <a href="#">cvlldiff</a> Function</i>
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**Description**

This class of objects is returned by the [cvlldiff](#) function to compare vectors of cross-validated log-likelihood values.

**Value**

The following components must be included in a legitimate `cvlldiff` object.

`best`                    name of the estimation method favored by the cvdm test.

test_stat	object returned by the bias-corrected Johnson's t-test. A positive test statistic supports the method that generated the first vector of cross-validated log-likelihood values and a negative test statistic supports the method that generated the second vector.
p_value	p-value for the test statistic.

**See Also**

[cvlldiff](#)

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cvll_object	<i>Cross-Validated Log-Likelihood (CVLL) Object</i>
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**Description**

This class of objects is returned by the [cvll](#) function.

**Value**

The following components must be included in a legitimate cvll object.

cvll	vector of cross-validated log-likelihood values using the leave-one-out method.
n	number of observations.
df	degrees of freedom.
method	method of estimation.

The object also contain the following: call, x, and y. See [lm](#) documentation for more.

**See Also**

[cvll](#)

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cvmf	<i>Cross-Validated Median Fit (CVMF) Test</i>
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**Description**

Applies cross-validated log-likelihood to test between partial likelihood maximization (PLM) and the iteratively reweighted robust (IRR) method of estimation for a given application of the Cox model. For more, see: Desmarais, B. A., & Harden, J. J. (2012). Comparing partial likelihood and robust estimation methods for the Cox regression model. *Political Analysis*, 20(1), 113-135. doi: [10.1093/pan/mpr042](https://doi.org/10.1093/pan/mpr042)

**Usage**

```
cvmf(
  formula,
  data,
  method = c("exact", "approximate", "efron", "breslow"),
  trunc = 0.95,
  subset,
  na.action,
  f.weight = c("linear", "quadratic", "exponential"),
  weights,
  singular.ok = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

formula	A formula object, with the response on the left of a ~ operator, and the terms on the right. The response must be a survival object as returned by the <a href="#">Surv</a> function from the survival package.
data	A data frame, list or environment (or object coercible by <code>as.data.frame</code> to a data frame) containing the variables in the model or in the subset and the weights argument.
method	A character string specifying the method for tie handling in <code>coxph()</code> . If there are no tied death times all the methods are equivalent. Following the <a href="#">coxph</a> function in the survival package, the Efron approximation is used as the default. The survival package justifies this due to the Efron method being more accurate when dealing with tied death times, and is as efficient computationally than the common Breslow method. The "exact partial likelihood" is equivalent to a 'conditional logistic model, and is appropriate when the times are a small set of discrete values. This argument does not exist in the <a href="#">coxr</a> function in the <a href="#">coxrobust</a> package. For <a href="#">coxr</a> , method is based on a smooth modification of the partial likelihood. See documentation from survival package for more on <a href="#">coxph</a> method and <a href="#">coxrobust</a> package for <a href="#">coxr</a> method.
trunc	A value that determines the trimming level for the robust estimator. The default is 0.95. Roughly, quantile of the sample $T_i \exp(\beta' Z_i)$ . It is an argument in the <a href="#">coxr</a> function in the <a href="#">coxrobust</a> package.
subset	Expression indicating which subset of the rows of data should be used in the fit. All observations are included by default.
na.action	A missing-data filter function, applied to the model.frame, after any subset argument has been used.
f.weight	A type of weighting function for <a href="#">coxr</a> in the <a href="#">coxrobust</a> package. The default is quadratic. See <a href="#">coxr</a> documentation for more.
weights	A vector of case weights for <a href="#">coxph</a> in the survival package. See <a href="#">coxph</a> documentation for more.
singular.ok	Logical value indicating how to handle collinearity in the model matrix. If TRUE, the program will automatically skip over columns of the X matrix that are linear combinations of earlier columns. In this case the coefficients for such columns

will be NA, and the variance matrix will contain zeros. For ancillary calculations, such as the linear predictor, the missing coefficients are treated as zeros.

## Details

This function implements the cross-validated median fit (CVMF) test. The function `cvmf()` tests between the partial likelihood maximization (PLM) and the iteratively reweighted robust (IRR) method of estimation for a given application of the Cox model. The Cox model is a partial parametric model that does not make assumptions about the baseline hazard. It can be estimated via PLM, the standard estimator, or IRR, a robust estimator that identifies and downweights outliers. The choice between the two methods involves a trade-off between bias and efficiency. PLM is more efficient, but biased under specification problems. IRR reduces bias, but results in high variance due to the loss of efficiency. The `cvmf()` function returns an object to identify the preferred estimation method.

See also [coxph](#), [coxr](#), [Surv](#)

## Value

An object of class `cvmf` computed by the cross-validated median fit test (CVMF) to test between the PLM and IRR methods of estimating the Cox model. See [cvmf\\_object](#) for more details.

## References

Desmarais, B. A., & Harden, J. J. (2012). Comparing partial likelihood and robust estimation methods for the Cox regression model. *Political Analysis*, 20(1), 113-135. doi: [10.1093/pan/mpr042](https://doi.org/10.1093/pan/mpr042)

## Examples

```
set.seed(12345)
x1 <- rnorm(100)
x2 <- rnorm(100)

x2e <- x2 + rnorm(100, 0, 0.5)

y <- rexp(100, exp(x1 + x2))
y <- survival::Surv(y)

dat <- data.frame(y, x1, x2e)
form <- y ~ x1 + x2e

results <- cvmf(formula = form, data = dat)
```

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cvmf_object	<i>Cross-Validated Median Fit (CVMF) Object</i>
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## Description

This class of objects is returned by the `cvmf` function to test between the partial likelihood maximization (PLM) and the iteratively reweighted robust (IRR) method of estimation for a given application of the Cox model.

## Value

The following components must be included in a legitimate `cvmf` object.

<code>best</code>	name of the model of estimation favored by the <code>cvmf</code> test.
<code>p</code>	p-value of the binomial test used to test between estimation models.
<code>cvmf</code>	full output of the binomial test used to test between estimation methods. See documentation for <code>binom.test</code> for more information.
<code>coef_names</code>	names of the coefficients.
<code>irr</code>	full output for the iteratively reweighted robust (IRR) method of estimating the Cox model. See documentation for <code>coxr</code> in the package <code>coxrobust</code> for more information.
<code>plm</code>	full output for the partial likelihood maximization (PLM) method of estimating the Cox model. See documentation for <code>coxph</code> in the package <code>survival</code> for more information.
<code>irr_coefs</code>	estimates obtained from IRR method of estimating the Cox model. See documentation for <code>coxr</code> in the package <code>coxrobust</code> for more information.
<code>plm_coefs</code>	estimates obtained from PLM method of estimating the Cox model. See documentation for <code>coxph</code> in the package <code>survival</code> for more information.
<code>cvpl_irr</code>	observation-wise contributions to the log-partial likelihood for IRR method of estimating the Cox model. See Desmarais and Hardin (Political Analysis 20:113-135, 2012) for more about the test and Verweij and Houwelingen (Statistics in Medicine 12(24): 2305–14, 1993) for more about the measure
<code>cvpl_plm</code>	observation-wise contributions to the log-partial likelihood for PLM method of estimating the Cox model. See Desmarais and Hardin (Political Analysis 20:113-135, 2012) for more about the test and Verweij and Houwelingen (Statistics in Medicine 12(24): 2305–14, 1993) for more about the measure

The object also contain the following: `call`, `x`, and `y`.

## See Also

[cvmf](#)

govtform

*Data from Golder (2010) on government formation in Western Europe***Description**

Data from a study on Western European government formation duration. Data is at the country-level (N = 409). Variable names are taken directly from original dataset. The data is publicly available and has been included here with the endorsement of the author. Please see the original codebook for a more detailed description of the variables.

**Usage**

```
data(govtform)
```

**Format**

A data frame with 410 rows and 18 variables. The following are taken from the codebook at doi: [10.7910/DVN/BUWZBA](https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/BUWZBA).

**countryname** names of countries used in analysis

**country** unique number identifying each country

**cabinet** unique number identifying each country. Begins with country code, followed by cabinets 1 - n

**bargainingdays** the number of days between either an election or the resignation of the previous government and the day on which the new government is officially inaugurated

**datein** date on which a government took office. Format is YYMMDD

**dateout** date on which a government left office. Format is YYMMDD

**postelection** dichotomous variable that equals 1 if a government is the first to form after an election (more uncertainty) and 0 if it forms in an interelection period (less uncertainty)

**nonpartisan** dichotomous variable that equals 1 if the government is nonpartisan and 0 otherwise

**legislative\_parties** a fraction representing the number of parties that have won legislative seats. See codebook for more detail

**inconclusive** the number of inconclusive bargaining rounds prior to a new government successfully forming

**cabinetname** cabinet name identified by surname of prime minister (followed by a number if the PM presided over more than one cabinet)

**singleparty\_majority** dichotomous variable that equals 1 if a single party controls a majority of the legislative seats, 0 otherwise

**polarization** measures the level of ideological polarization in the party system. See codebook for more detail

**continuation** dichotomous variable that equals 1 if the outgoing government or formateur gets the first opportunity to form a new government, 0 otherwise. See codebook for more detail

- positive\_parl** dichotomous variable that equals 1 if a new government requires the explicit support of a legislative majority in order to take office, 0 otherwise. See codebook for more detail
- post\_legislative\_parties** interaction term made by multiplying the postelection variable with the legislative\_parties variable
- post\_polariz** interaction term made by multiplying the postelection variable with the polarization variable
- post\_positive** interaction term made by multiplying the postelection variable with the positive\_parl variable

### Source

doi: [10.7910/DVN/BUWZBA](https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/BUWZBA)

### References

Golder, S. N. (2010). Bargaining delays in the government formation process. *Comparative Political Studies*, 43(1), 3-32. doi: [10.1177/0010414009341714](https://doi.org/10.1177/0010414009341714)

### Examples

```
data(govtform)

library(survival)
library(coxrobust)
library(modelLtest)

# Survival models with data from Golder (2010)
golde_r_surv <- Surv(govtform$bargainingdays)
golde_r_x <- cbind(govtform$postelection, govtform$legislative_parties,
  govtform$polarization, govtform$positive_parl, govtform$post_legislative_parties,
  govtform$post_polariz, govtform$post_positive, govtform$continuation,
  govtform$singleparty_majority)
colnames(golde_r_x) <- c("govtform$postelection", "govtform$legislative_parties",
  "govtform$polarization", "govtform$positive_parl", "govtform$post_legislative_parties",
  "govtform$post_polariz", "govtform$post_positive", "govtform$continuation",
  "govtform$singleparty_majority")
golde_r_cox <- coxph(golde_r_surv ~ golde_r_x, method = "efron",
  data = govtform)
golde_r_robust <- coxr(golde_r_surv ~ golde_r_x, data = govtform)

# Comparing PLM to IRR methods of estimating the survival model
obj_cvmf_golde_r <- cvmf(golde_r_surv ~ golde_r_x, method = "efron",
  data = govtform)

obj_cvmf_golde_r
```

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 modeLLtest

*modeLLtest Overview*


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### Description

modeLLtest has three main functions to implement cross validated log likelihood tests. To use this package, decide which specification(s) of a model and distributions you wish compare. The function `cvdm()` compares the fits of one model specification between a median regression and ordinary least squares. The function `cvmf()` compares between the fits of one model specification between two estimations of a Cox model. The function `cvll()` extracts the leave-one-out cross-validated log-likelihoods from a method of estimating a formula.

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 nepaldem

*Data from Joshi and Mason (2008) on voter turnout in Nepal*


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### Description

Data from a study on the relationship between land tenure and voter turnout in the three rounds of parliamentary elections in Nepal from the restoration of democracy in 1990 to 1999. Data is at the district-level (N = 75). Variable names are taken directly from original dataset. The data is publicly available and has been included here with the endorsement of the authors.

### Usage

```
data(nepaldem)
```

### Format

A data frame with 76 rows and 73 variables:

**sn** a column of identifiers. This column is not a variable

**district** names of the district in Nepal used in analysis

**householdsize** average size of household in district

**total\_holding** total land holding

**noown\_single\_tenure** number of households that own and cultivate land under single tenure

**norent\_single\_ten** number of households that rent for service and cultivate land under single tenure

**nother\_single\_ten** number of households that cultivate under single tenure and have another set up other than those above

**nomore1\_ten\_hold** number of households with more than one tenure

**noholding\_below1\_pa** number of households that hold less than 1.0 hectares of land

**noholding\_2to3\_pa** number of households that hold 2 to 3 hectares of land

**noholding\_4to5\_pa** number of households that hold 4 to 5 hectares of land

**noholding\_6to9\_pa** number of households that hold 6 to 9 hectares of land  
**noholding\_10\_pa** number of households with more than 10 parcels of land  
**total\_ha** total hectares of land  
**total\_parcel** total parcels of land  
**no\_hold\_fixmoney2** subsection of number of households with fixed cash rent  
**no\_hold\_fixproduct2** subsection of households with fixed product rent  
**no\_hold\_share2** subsection of households participating in sharecropping  
**no\_hold\_services2** subsection of households participating in sharecropping  
**no\_hold\_mortgage2** subsection of households with a mortgage  
**no\_hold\_fixmoney1** subsection of households with fixed cash rent  
**no\_hold\_fixproduct1** subsection of households with fixed product rent  
**no\_hold\_share1** subsection of households participating in sharecropping  
**no\_hold\_services1** subsection of households with rent for service  
**no\_hold\_mortgage1** subsection of households with a mortgage  
**totalhouseholds** total number of households  
**landless** number of landless households  
**totalvoters1991** total number of voters in 1991  
**totalcastedvote1991** total number of votes cast in 1991  
**totalvalidvote1991** total number of valid votes in 1991  
**constituency1991** constituency in 1991  
**totalcontestants1991** total number of candidates contesting elections in 1991  
**totalvoters1994** total number of voters in 1994  
**totalcastedvote1994** total number of votes cast in 1994  
**totalvalidvote1994** total number of valid votes in 1994  
**constituency1994** constituency in 1994  
**totalcontestants1994** total number of candidates contesting elections in 1994  
**totalvoters1999** total number of voters in 1999  
**totalcastedvote1999** total number of votes cast in 1999  
**totalvalidvote1999** total number of valid votes in 1999  
**constituency1999** constituency in 1999  
**totalcontestants1999** total number of candidates contesting elections in 1999  
**pop\_2001** population in 2001  
**hdi\_1996** HDI 1996 (index 0 to 1)  
**per\_without\_instcredit** percent without access to institutional credit  
**access\_insttutional\_credit** access to institutional credit  
**total\_hh\_sharecrop** total number of households participating in sharecropping  
**total\_hh\_fixmoney** total number of households with fixed cash rent

**total\_hh\_fixproduct** total number of households with fixed product rent

**total\_hh\_service** total number of households with rent for service

**total\_hh\_mortgage** total number of households with a mortgage

**total\_killed** total number of people killed. This serves as a measure of political violence during the insurgency

**percent\_regvote1991** election turnout for 1991 as measured by the percentage of registered voters who voted in the national parliamentary election

**percent\_regvote1994** election turnout for 1994 as measured by the percentage of registered voters who voted in the national parliamentary election

**percent\_regvote1999** election turnout for 1999 as measured by the percentage of registered voters who voted in the national parliamentary election

**per\_total\_hold\_sharecrop** percent of sharecropping households

**per\_total\_hold\_fixmoney** percent of households that have a fixed cash rent

**per\_total\_hold\_fixproduct** percent of households that have a fixed product rent

**per\_total\_hold\_service** percent of households that have rent for service

**per\_total\_hold\_mortgage** percent of households with a mortgage

**per\_noholding\_below1\_pa**

**landless\_1000** landless households (in 1,000s)

**totoalkilled\_1000** total number of people killed (in 1,000s). This serves as a measure of political violence during the insurgency

**cast\_eth\_fract** caste and ethnic fractionalization

**linguistic\_fract** linguistic fractionalization

**landless\_gap** landless households (in 1,000s) gap

**below1pa\_gap** percent smallholder households gap

**sharecrop\_gap** percent sharecropping households gap

**service\_gap** percent rent for service households gap

**fixmoney\_gap** percent fixed cash rent households gap

**fixprod\_gap** percent fixed product rent households gap

**hdi\_gap** HDI 1996 (index 0 to 1) gap

**ln\_pop2001** population in 2001 (logged)

**hdi\_gap1** HDI 1996 (index 0 to 1) gap (positive values)

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**Examples**

```
data(nepaldem)

library(MASS)
library(modelLtest)

# Models from Joshi and Mason (2008)
model_1991 <- rlm(percent_regvote1991 ~ landless_gap +
  belowlpa_gap + sharecrop_gap + service_gap + fixmoney_gap +
  fixprod_gap + per_without_instcredit + hdi_gap1 + ln_pop2001 +
  totalcontestants1991 + cast_eth_fract, data = nepaldem)

model_1994 <- rlm(percent_regvote1994 ~ landless_gap +
  belowlpa_gap + sharecrop_gap + service_gap + fixmoney_gap +
  fixprod_gap + per_without_instcredit + hdi_gap1 + ln_pop2001 +
  totalcontestants1994 + cast_eth_fract, data = nepaldem)

model_1999a <- rlm(percent_regvote1999 ~ landless_gap +
  belowlpa_gap + sharecrop_gap + service_gap + fixmoney_gap +
  fixprod_gap + per_without_instcredit + hdi_gap1 + ln_pop2001 +
  totalcontestants1999 + cast_eth_fract, data = nepaldem)

model_1999b <- rlm(percent_regvote1999 ~ landless_gap +
  belowlpa_gap + sharecrop_gap + service_gap + fixmoney_gap +
  fixprod_gap + per_without_instcredit + totoalkilled_1000 +
  hdi_gap1 + ln_pop2001 + totalcontestants1999 + cast_eth_fract,
  data = nepaldem)

# Comparing OLS to RR fit for model_1999b
obj_cvdm_jm <- cvdm(percent_regvote1999 ~ landless_gap +
  belowlpa_gap + sharecrop_gap + service_gap + fixmoney_gap +
  fixprod_gap + per_without_instcredit + totoalkilled_1000 +
  hdi_gap1 + ln_pop2001 + totalcontestants1999 + cast_eth_fract,
  data = nepaldem, method1 = "OLS", method2 = "RLM-MM")

obj_cvdm_jm
```

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