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Convert to Greek expressions

### Description

Convert to Greek expressions for plotting

### Usage

```
expand_labels(labs)
greek_expander(s)
make_greek_coefs(mod)
drop_nulls(x)
```

### Arguments

labs A character vector of greek symbols of the form ga\_x and be\_1.

s A character vector of Greek short hand codes, e.g. "si".

mod Output from unm\_glm().

x Character vector.

#### Value

A character vector.

```
labs <- c("ga_1", "ga_treatment", "ga_x", "be_1",
   "be_treatment", "be_x", "la_u", "al_y", "si")
expand_labels(labs)</pre>
```

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runm

Generate synthetic data

#### **Description**

runm() generates synthetic data for use of modeling with unmeasured confounders. Defaults to the case of one unmeasured confounder present and fixed parameter values. Can be customized. Currently set up to have at most two unmeasured confounders to pair with unm\_glm().

#### Usage

```
runm(
  n,
  type = "int",
 missing_prop = 0.8,
 response = "bin",
 response_param = NULL,
 response_model_coefs = c(int = -1, z1 = 0.5, z2 = 0.5, z3 = 0.5, u1 = 0.5, x = 0.5),
  treatment_model_coefs = c(int = -1, z1 = 0.5, z2 = 0.5, z3 = 0.5, u1 = 0.5),
  covariate_fam_list = list("norm", "bin", "norm"),
  covariate_param_list = list(c(mean = 0, sd = 1), prob = 0.3, c(0, 2)),
 unmeasured_fam_list = list("norm"),
  unmeasured_param_list = list(c(mean = 0, sd = 1))
)
```

#### **Arguments**

n

Number of observations. When type = "int", n is a vector of length 1. When type = "ext", n can either be a vector of length 1 or 2. For the case when n is of length 2,  $n = (n_main, n_external)$ , where  $n_main$  corresponds to the main study sample size and n\_external corresponds to the external validation sample size. For the case when n is of length 1, n will be split evenly between main study and external validation observations, with the main study getting the additional observation when n is odd.

type

Type of validation source. Can be "int" for internal validation or "ext" for external validation. Defaults to "int".

missing\_prop

Proportion of missing values for internal validation scenario (i.e., when type = "int").

response

"norm", "bin", "pois", or "gam". Defaults to "bin".

response\_param Nuisance parameters for response type. For "norm", the default standard deviation is 1. For "gam", the default shape parameter is 2. For "pois", an offset variable is added to the dataset that is uniformly distributed from 1 to 10.

response\_model\_coefs

A named vector of coefficients to generate data from the response model. This must include an intercept ("int" = ), a coefficient for each covariate specified, a coefficient for each unmeasured confounder, and a treatment coefficient 4 runm

("x" = ). The coefficients for the covariates and treatment will be denoted with "beta[.]" and the unmeasured confounders with "lambda[.]".

treatment\_model\_coefs

A named vector of coefficients to generate data from the treatment model. This must include an intercept ("int" = ), a coefficient for each covariate specified, and a coefficient for each unmeasured confounder. The coefficients for the covariates and unmeasured confounders will be denoted with "eta[.]".

covariate\_fam\_list

A list of either "norm" or "bin", where the length of the list matches the number of covariates in the model.

covariate\_param\_list

A list of parameters for the respective distributions in covariate\_fam\_list, where the length of the list matches the length of covariate\_fam\_list.

unmeasured\_fam\_list

A list of either "norm" or "bin", where the length of the list matches the number of unmeasured confounders in the model. This can be at most a length of 2 to pair with unm\_glm().

unmeasured\_param\_list

A list of parameters for the respective distributions in unmeasured\_fam\_list, where the length of the list matches the length of unmeasured\_fam\_list.

#### Value

A tibble

```
runm(100)
runm(n = 100, type = "int", missing_prop = .75)
runm(n = 100, type = "int", missing_prop = .75) |> attr("params")
runm(100, type = "int", response = "norm")
runm(100, type = "int", response = "norm") |> attr("params")
runm(100, type = "int", response = "norm", response_param = 3) |> attr("params")
runm(100, type = "int", response = "gam")
runm(100, type = "int", response = "gam", response_param = 5) |> attr("params")
runm(100, type = "int", missing_prop = .5, response = "pois")
runm(n = 100, type = "ext")
runm(n = 100, type = "ext") |> attr("params")
runm(n = c(10, 10), type = "ext")
runm(100, type = "ext", response = "norm")
runm(100, type = "int", response = "norm", response_param = 3) |> attr("params")
runm(100, type = "ext", response = "gam")
runm(100, type = "ext", response = "pois")
runm(
 n = 100,
 type = "int",
 missing_prop = .80,
```

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```
response = "norm",
 response_param = c("si_y" = 2),
 response_model_coefs = c("int" = -1, "z" = .4,
                           "u1" = .75, "u2" = .75, "x" = .75),
 treatment_model_coefs = c("int" = -1, "z" = .4,
                            u1'' = .75, u2'' = .75),
 covariate_fam_list = list("norm"),
 covariate_param_list = list(c(mean = 0, sd = 1)),
 unmeasured_fam_list = list("norm", "bin"),
 unmeasured_param_list = list(c(mean = 0, sd = 1), c(.3))
)
runm(
 n = c(20, 30),
 type = "ext",
 response = "norm",
 response_param = c("si_y" = 2),
 response_model_coefs = c("int" = -1, "z1" = .4, "z2" = .5, "z3" = .4,
                           "u1" = .75, "u2" = .75, "x" = .75),
 treatment_model_coefs = c("int" = -1, "z1" = .4, "z2" = .5, "z3" = .4,
                            "u1" = .75, "u2" = .75),
 covariate_fam_list = list("norm", "bin", "norm"),
 covariate_param_list = list(c(mean = 0, sd = 1), c(.3), c(0, 2)),
 unmeasured_fam_list = list("norm", "bin"),
 unmeasured_param_list = list(c(mean = 0, sd = 1), c(.3))
)
```

unmconf

unmconf: Modeling with Unmeasured Confounding

#### **Description**

Tools for fitting and assessing Bayesian multi-staged regression models that account for unmeasured confounders.

unm\_glm

Fitting Multi-Staged Bayesian Regression Model with Unmeasured Confounders

#### **Description**

unm\_glm() fits a multi-staged Bayesian regression model that accounts for unmeasured confounders. Users can input model information into unm\_glm() in a similar manner as they would for the standard stats::glm() function, providing arguments like formula, family, and data. Results are stored as MCMC iterations.

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#### Usage

```
unm_glm(
      form1,
      form2 = NULL,
      form3 = NULL,
      family1 = binomial(),
      family2 = NULL,
      family3 = NULL,
      data,
      n.iter = 2000,
      n.adapt = 1000,
      thin = 1,
      n.chains = 4,
      filename = tempfile(fileext = ".jags"),
      quiet = getOption("unm_quiet"),
      progress.bar = getOption("unm_progress.bar"),
      code_only = FALSE,
      priors,
      response_nuisance_priors,
      response_params_to_track,
      confounder1_nuisance_priors,
      confounder1_params_to_track,
      confounder2_nuisance_priors,
      confounder2_params_to_track,
    )
    jags_code(mod)
    ## S3 method for class 'unm_int'
   print(x, digits = 3, ..., print_call = getOption("unm_print_call"))
    ## S3 method for class 'unm_int'
    coef(object, ...)
Arguments
    form1
                    The formula specification for the response model (stage I)
    form2
                    The formula specification for the first unmeasured confounder model (stage II)
    form3
                     The formula specification for the second unmeasured confounder model (stage
                    III)
    family1, family2, family3
                    The family object, communicating the types of models to be used for response
                     (form1) and unmeasured confounder (form2, form3) models. See stats::family()
                     for details
    data
                     The dataset containing all variables (this function currently only supports a sin-
```

gle dataset containing internally validated data)

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n.iter	<pre>n.iter argument of rjags::coda.samples()</pre>
n.adapt	n.adapt argument of rjags::jags.model()
thin	thin argument of rjags::coda.samples()
n.chains	n.chains argument of rjags::jags.model()
filename	File name where to store jags code
quiet	The quiet parameter of rjags::jags.model(). Defaults to TRUE, but you can change it on a per-session basis with options(unm_quiet = FALSE).
progress.bar	The progress.bar parameter of rjags::update.jags(). Defaults to "none", but you can change it on a per-session basis with options(unm_progress.bar = "text").
code_only	Should only the code be created?
priors	Custom priors to use on regression coefficients, see examples.
response_nuisan	JAGS code for the nuisance priors on parameters in a JAGS model (see examples)
response_params	a_to_track, confounder1_params_to_track, confounder2_params_to_track  Additional parameters to track when nuisance parameter priors are used (see examples)
• • •	Additional arguments to pass into rjags::jags.model(), such as inits
mod	The output of unm_glm()
х	Object to be printed
digits	Number of digits to round to; defaults to 3
print_call	Should the call be printed? Defaults to TRUE, but can be turned off with options("unm_print_call" = FALSE)
object	Model object for which the coefficients are desired

#### Value

(Invisibly) The output of rjags::coda.samples(), an object of class mcmc.list, along with attributes code containing the jags code used and file containing the filename of the jags code.

### See Also

```
runm(), rjags::dic.samples()
```

```
# ~~ One Unmeasured Confounder Examples (II-Stage Model) ~~
# normal response, normal confounder model with internally validated data
(df <- runm(20, response = "norm"))</pre>
```

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```
(unm_mod <- unm_glm(</pre>
  y \sim x + z1 + z2 + z3 + u1, family1 = gaussian(),
  u1 \sim x + z1 + z2 + z3,
                              family2 = gaussian(),
  data = df
))
(unm_mod <- unm_glm(</pre>
              family1 = gaussian(),
  u1 \sim . - y, family2 = gaussian(),
  data = df
))
glm(y \sim x + z1 + z2 + z3, data = df)
coef(unm_mod)
jags_code(unm_mod)
unm_glm(
  y ~ .,
u1 ~ . - y,
  family1 = gaussian(),
  family2 = gaussian(),
  data = df, code_only = TRUE
```

unm\_summary

Generate synthetic data

#### **Description**

unm\_summary() produces result summaries of the results from the model fitting function, unm\_glm(). The table of results are summarized from the MCMC draws of the posterior distribution.

#### Usage

```
unm_summary(mod, data, quantiles = c(0.025, 0.975))
unm_backfill(data, mod)
unm_dic(mod)
```

#### **Arguments**

mod Output from unm\_glm().

data The data mod was generated with.
quantiles A numeric vector of quantiles.

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#### Value

A tibble

```
# ~~ One Unmeasured Confounder Examples (II-Stage Model) ~~

# normal response, normal confounder model with internally validated data
(df <- runm(20, response = "norm"))

(unm_mod <- unm_glm(
    y ~ x + z1 + z2 + z3 + u1, family1 = gaussian(),
    u1 ~ x + z1 + z2 + z3, family2 = gaussian(),
    data = df
))

glm(y ~ x + z1 + z2 + z3, data = df)

coef(unm_mod)
jags_code(unm_mod)
unm_summary(unm_mod)
unm_summary(unm_mod, df) # true values known df

# impute missing values with model
unm_backfill(df, unm_mod)</pre>
```

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