

# Package ‘dcm2’

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**as\_binary** *Make Binary Profiles*

### Description

Given a number of attributes, `as_binary` will create all possible binary mastery profiles.

### Usage

`as_binary(x)`

### Arguments

`x` The number of attributes

### Value

A  $2^x \times x$  matrix

### Examples

```
as_binary(3)
as_binary(4)
```

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calc\_m2*Calculate the M2*

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## Description

Calculate the M2

## Usage

```
calc_m2(
  data,
  struc_params,
  pi_matrix,
  qmatrix,
  ci = 0.9,
  link = "logit",
  model_type = c("LCDM", "GDINA", "ACDM", "LLM", "RRUM", "DINO", "DINA", "BUGDINO")
)
```

## Arguments

data	A data frame containing the raw data, where there is one row per respondent and one column per item
struc_params	A vector containing the structural parameters of the estimated model
pi_matrix	An item-by-class matrix containing the probability of a correct response by members of each latent class
qmatrix	A data frame containing the Q-matrix
ci	The confidence interval for the RMSEA, computed from the M2
link	A character containing the link function.
model_type	A character containing the model type (e.g., LCDM) that was estimated.

## Value

A data frame containing:

- m2: The M2 statistic
- df: Degrees of freedom for the M2 statistic
- pval: *p*-value for the M2 statistic
- rmsea: Root mean square error of approximation
- ci\_lower: Lower end of ci interval for RMSEA
- ci\_upper: Upper end of ci interval for RMSEA
- srmsr: Standardized root mean square residual

## Examples

```
possible_prof <- dcm2::as_binary(ncol(sample_data$q_matrix))

fit_dat <- sample_data$data %>%
  tidyr::pivot_wider(names_from = "item_id",
                     values_from = "score") %>%
  dplyr::select(-"resp_id") %>%
  as.matrix() %>%
  unname()
gdina_mod <- GDINA::GDINA(dat = fit_dat,
                            Q = data.frame(sample_data$q_matrix),
                            model = "logitGDINA",
                            control = list(conv.type = "neg2LL"))
struc_params <- gdina_mod$struc.parm
pi_matrix <- gdina_mod$LC.prob %>%
  as.matrix() %>%
  unname()
calc_m2(data = fit_dat, struc_params, pi_matrix,
        qmatrix = data.frame(sample_data$q_matrix), ci = 0.9, link = "logit",
        model_type = "LCDM")
```

**data\_att1**

*Simulated Data for a Single Attribute Assessment*

## Description

A list containing data from a randomly simulated single-attribute assessment.

## Usage

`data_att1`

## Format

A list frame containing 4 tibble objects:

- **resp\_profiles**: A tibble with 1000 rows and 2 columns. The first column indicates `resp_id` (i.e., the respondent identification number) and the second column indicates `att_1` (i.e., a binary indicator for whether the respondent mastered the first attribute).
- **q\_matrix**: A tibble with 2 rows and 1 column. Each row corresponds to an assessment item, and the column entries provide a binary indicator for whether the item assessed the attribute.
- **item\_params**: A tibble with 2 rows and 3 columns. Each row corresponds to an item. The first column indicates `item_id` (i.e., the item identification number). The second column indicates `intercept` (i.e., the true item intercept parameter for the item). The third column indicates `att_1` (i.e., the true item main effect parameter for the item).

- **data:** A tibble with 2000 rows and 3 columns. The first column indicates `resp_id` (i.e., the respondent identification number). The second column indicates `item_id` (i.e., the item identification number). The third column indicates `score` (i.e., the dichotomously scored item response).

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**fit\_m2****Model Fit M2 Calculations**

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**Description**

Estimate the M2 statistic as described by Liu et al. (2016).

**Usage**

```
fit_m2(model, ci = 0.9, ...)
```

**Arguments**

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|--------------------|---|
| <code>model</code> | An estimated diagnostic classification model. |
| <code>ci</code>    | The confidence interval for the RMSEA.        |
| <code>...</code>   | Unused, for extensibility.                    |

**Value**

A data frame containing:

- `m2`: The M2 statistic
- `df`: Degrees of freedom for the M2 statistic
- `pval`: *p*-value for the M2 statistic
- `rmsea`: Root mean square error of approximation
- `ci_lower`: Lower end of `ci` interval for RMSEA
- `ci_upper`: Upper end of `ci` interval for RMSEA
- `srmsr`: Standardized root mean square residual

**References**

Liu, Y., Tian, W., & Xin, T. (2016). An application of  $M_2$  statistic to evaluate the fit of cognitive diagnostic models. *Journal of Educational and Behavioral Statistics*, 41, 3-26. doi: [10.3102/1076998615621293](https://doi.org/10.3102/1076998615621293)

## Examples

```
possible_prof <- dcm2::as_binary(ncol(sample_data$q_matrix))

fit_dat <- sample_data$data %>%
  tidyr::pivot_wider(names_from = "item_id",
                     values_from = "score") %>%
  dplyr::select(-"resp_id") %>%
  as.matrix() %>%
  unname()
gdina_mod <- GDINA::GDINA(dat = fit_dat,
                            Q = data.frame(sample_data$q_matrix),
                            model = "logitGDINA",
                            control = list(conv.type = "neg2LL"))
fit_m2(gdina_mod, ci = 0.9)
```

**log\_odds**

*Log-odds Transformation*

## Description

These functions implement the log-odds (or logit) transformation. This is a common transformation for psychometric models that is used to put probabilities on a continuous scale.

## Usage

```
logit(x)

inv_logit(x)
```

## Arguments

x	A number to be transformed
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## Value

A transformed double

## Examples

```
logit(0.6)
logit(0.5)

inv_logit(3.5)
inv_logit(0)
```

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**sample\_data***Simulated Data for Testing Functions*

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**Description**

A matrix with randomly simulated data to test the package functions.

**Usage**

```
sample_data
```

**Format**

A list frame containing 4 tibble objects:

- **resp\_profiles**: A tibble with 1000 rows and 3 columns. The first column indicates `resp_id` (i.e., the respondent identification number). The second column indicates `att_1` (i.e., a binary indicator for whether the respondent mastered the first attribute). The third column indicates `att_2` (i.e., a binary indicator for whether the respondent mastered the second attribute).
- **q\_matrix**: A tibble with 8 rows and 2 columns. Each row corresponds to an assessment item, and the column entries provide a binary indicator for whether the item assessed each of the attribute.
- **item\_params**: A tibble with 8 rows and 5 columns. Each row corresponds to an item. The first column indicates `item_id` (i.e., the item identification number). The second column indicates `intercept` (i.e., the true item intercept parameter for the item). The third column indicates `att_1` (i.e., the true item main effect parameter for the first attribute for the item). The fourth column indicates `att_2` (i.e., the true item main effect parameter for the second attribute for the item). The fifth column indicates `att_1_att_2` (i.e., the true item interaction effect parameter for the first and second attributes).
- **data**: A tibble with 8000 rows and 3 columns. The first column indicates `resp_id` (i.e., the respondent identification number). The second column indicates `item_id` (i.e., the item identification number). The third column indicates `score` (i.e., the dichotomously scored item response).

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