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Description

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Usage

```
dbgev(y, mu = 1, sigma = 1, xi = 0.3, delta = 2)
pbgev(y, mu = 1, sigma = 1, xi = 0.3, delta = 2)
qbgev(p, mu = 1, sigma = 1, xi = 0.3, delta = 2)
rbgev(n, mu = 1, sigma = 1, xi = 0.3, delta = 2)
```

Arguments

y	a unidimensional vector containing the points to compute the density (dbgev) or the probability (pbgev) from a bimodal GEV distribution with parameters mu, sigma, xi and delta.
p	a unidimensional vector containing the probabilities used to compute the quantiles
n	an integer describing the number of observations to generate random bimodal GEV observations
mu	location parameter
sigma	shape parameter
xi	shape parameter
delta	bimodality parameter

Details

Density, distribution function, quantile function and random generation of bimodal GEV distribution with location parameter. In addition, maximum likelihood estimation based on real data is also provided.

Value

dbgev gives the density, pbgev gives the distribution function, qbgev gives the quantile function, and rbgev generates random bimodal GEV observations.

Note

The probability density of a GEV random variable; $Y \sim F_{\xi,\sigma,\mu}$ is given by:

$$f_{\xi,\mu,\sigma}(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sigma} \left[1 + \xi \left(\frac{y - \mu}{\sigma} \right) \right]^{(-1/\xi)-1} \exp \left\{ - \left[1 + \xi \left(\frac{y - \mu}{\sigma} \right) \right]^{-1/\xi} \right\}, & \text{if } \xi \neq 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sigma} \exp \left\{ - \left(\frac{y - \mu}{\sigma} \right) - \exp \left[- \left(\frac{y - \mu}{\sigma} \right) \right] \right\}, & \text{if } \xi = 0, \end{cases}$$

where ξ and σ are the shape parameters and μ is the location parameter.

The bimodal Generalized Extreme Value (GEV) model, denoted as BGEV, consists of composing the distribution of a random variable following the GEV distribution with a location parameter $\mu = 0$, i.e., $Y \sim F_{\xi,0,\sigma}$, with the transformation $T_{\mu,\delta}$ defined below. Thus, the cumulative distribution function (CDF) of a random variable BGEV, denoted as $X \sim F_{BG_{\xi,\mu,\sigma,\delta}}$, is given by:

$$F_{BG_{\xi,\mu,\sigma,\delta}}(x) = F_{\xi,0,\sigma}(T_{\mu,\delta}(x)),$$

where the function $T_{\mu,\delta}$ is defined as:

$$T_{\mu,\delta}(x) = (x - \mu) |x - \mu|^\delta, \quad \delta > -1, \quad \mu \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Moreover, the function T is invertible, with the inverse given by:

$$T_{\mu,\delta}^{-1}(x) = \text{sng}(x) |x|^{\frac{1}{(\delta+1)}} + \mu.$$

Additionally, it is differentiable, and its derivative has the following form:

$$T'_{\mu,\delta}(x) = (\delta + 1) |x - \mu|^\delta.$$

Its probability density function $X \sim F_{BG_{\xi,\mu,\sigma,\delta}}$ is given by

$$f_{BG_{\xi,\mu,\sigma,\delta}}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sigma} \left[1 + \xi \left(\frac{T_{\mu,\delta}(x)}{\sigma} \right) \right]^{(-1/\xi)-1} \exp \left[- \left[1 + \xi \left(\frac{T_{\mu,\delta}(x)}{\sigma} \right) \right]^{-1/\xi} \right] T'_{\mu,\delta}(x), & \xi \neq 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sigma} \exp \left(- \frac{T_{\mu,\delta}(x)}{\sigma} \right) \exp \left[- \exp \left(- \frac{T_{\mu,\delta}(x)}{\sigma} \right) \right] T'_{\mu,\delta}(x), & \xi = 0. \end{cases}$$

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Examples

```
# generate 100 values distributed according to a bimodal GEV
x = rbgev(50, mu = 0.2, sigma = 1, xi = 0.5, delta = 0.2)
# estimate the bimodal GEV parameters using the generated data
bgev.mle(x)
```

bgev.mle

Parameter estimation of bimodal GEV distribution based on real data that appears to be bimodal.

Description

Finds the maximum likelihood estimators of the bimodal GEV distribution parameters by minimizing the log-likelihood function of the data.

The estimation procedure is divided into three steps:

- 1) Use egevd for starting values: We estimate the data using a unimodal GEV distribution (function egevd from package EnvStats). This is justified by the fact that the bgev distribution with $\delta = 0$ is a unimodal GEV distribution with parameters μ , σ and ξ .
- 2) DEoptim for more adequate starting values: Use the starting values to create lower and upper bounds and feed it into DEoptim to get starting values for all parameters simultaneously.
- 3) Use optim for local search with starting values for DEoptim.

Usage

```
bgev.mle(x, method_envstats = "mle", deoptim.itermax = 200,
optim.method = "L-BFGS-B", start = NULL, lower = NULL, upper = NULL)
```

Arguments

x	a unidimensional vector containing observations to estimate a bimodal GEV distribution
start	a vector of dimension 4 containing the starting values for each of the bimodal GEV parameters where the search is going to take place.
lower	a vector of dimension 4 containing the lower limit for each of the bimodal GEV parameters where the search is going to take place.
upper	a vector of dimension 4 containing the upper limit for each of the bimodal GEV parameters where the search is going to take place.
method_envstats	method to use in the egevd function from envstats package.
deoptim.itermax	number of iterations in the deoptim step.
optim.method	maximum number of iterations when finding a good starting value for the optimization algorithm.

Value

A list with components returned by the optim R function for which the main values are

par	best parameters of bimodal gev fitting the data
value	value of the log-likelihood corresponding to 'par'

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Examples

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```

bgev.support	<i>Support of the bimodal GEV distribution</i>
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Description

When the shape parameter ξ is different from zero, the support is truncated either at the left or at the right side of the real. Considering the support is particularly useful to estimating moments and to compute the likelihood function.

Usage

```
bgev.support(mu, sigma, xi, delta)
```

Arguments

mu	location parameter
sigma	shape parameter
xi	shape parameter
delta	bimodality parameter

Value

It returns a vector representing the interval for which the density function is not null.

Note

The Support of the bimodal GEV distribution is given by the following equation:

$$\begin{cases} x \in \mathbb{R} : x \geq \text{sng}\left(-\frac{\sigma}{\xi}\right) \left|\frac{\sigma}{\xi}\right|^{\frac{1}{\delta+1}} + \mu, & \xi \neq 0 \\ x \in \mathbb{R}, & \xi = 0. \end{cases}$$

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Examples

```
# Computes the support of a specific bimodal GEV distribution
support = bgev.support(mu=1, sigma=10, xi=0.3, delta=2)
```

distCheck

Check implementation of a distribution in R.

Description

This is just a refactorization of the original R function `distCheck` to allow customization for heavy tailed distributions and distribution with constrained support. Assumes one has implemented density, probability, quantile and random generation for a new distribution. Originally implemented to be used with the bimodal GEV distribution

Usage

```
distCheck(fun = "norm", n = 1000, robust = FALSE, subdivisions = 1500,
  support.lower = -Inf, support.upper = Inf,
  var.exists = TRUE, print.result = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>fun</code>	Name of distribution. E.g, "bgev" for bimodal GEV, "gev" for GEV, "norm" for normal.
<code>n</code>	size of the sample when generating random values through "rfun"
<code>robust</code>	Boolean. Used for computing mean and variance in a robust way when evaluating mean and variance.
<code>subdivisions</code>	used for numerical integration when using "dfun"
<code>support.lower</code>	lower limit of the support of the distribution

<code>support.upper</code>	upper limit of the support of the distribution
<code>var.exists</code>	Boolean indicating if variance exists (useful for gev, bimodal gev, stable etc)
<code>print.result</code>	Boolean indicating weather to print results of the tests on screen.
<code>...</code>	parameters passed to the distribution, e.g., mu and sd for normal, mu, sigma, xi and delta for bimodal GEV.

Details

All tests results are organized into a list to make it easier to find where results went wrong and to make it scalable for testing distributions for several parameters.

Value

A list of lists with test results

```
list( functionTested = fun, functionParam = list(...),
      test1.density = list(computed = NULL, expected = NULL, error.check = NULL),
      test2.quantile.cdf = list(computed = NULL, expected = NULL, error.check = NULL),
      test3.mean.var = list(computed = list(mean = NULL, var = NULL, log = NULL),
                           expected = list(mean = NULL, var = NULL, log = NULL),
                           error.check = NULL,
                           condition.is.var.finite = TRUE))
```

<code>functionParam</code>	Additional parameters passed to the distribution with the ... argument
<code>test1.density</code>	results for the density function test. A list with the 'computed' value using the density function and numerical integration, the 'expected' value (which is 1) and the result of the 'error.check' comparing both values.
<code>test2.quantile.cdf</code>	results for the quantile function test. A list with the 'computed' value using the quantile function at chosen probabilites on [0,1], the 'expected' value (which is 1) and the result of the 'error.check' comparing both values.
<code>test3.mean.var</code>	results for the random generation and the density function. A list with the 'computed' values using the random quantities (computes mean(X), variance(X) and E(log(abs(X))) where X follows the distribution being tested. The 'expected' is a list containing the same quantities computed using numerical integration
<code>error.check</code>	check if expected variance and computed variance are close enough.
<code>condition.is.var.finite</code>	For some distributions there are known conditions for the variance to be finite. This quantity is expected to be evaluated outside the DistCheck function and passed through the argument 'var.exists'.

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Examples

```
# generate random values for the parameters and test the
# bimodal gev distribution implementation
set.seed(1)
mu = runif(1,-2,2)
sigma = runif(1,0.1,2)
xi = runif(1,0.3,0.9) * sign(runif(1,-1,1))
delta = 1#runif(1,-0.6,2)
support = bgev.support(mu, sigma, xi, delta)
var.exists = ( xi != 0) & (xi < (delta + 1)/2)
ret = distCheck(fun="bgev", n = 2000,
  support.lower = support[1], support.upper = support[2],
  subdivisions = 5000, mu = mu, sigma = sigma, xi = xi,
  delta = delta, var.exists = var.exists, print.result = TRUE)
```

likbgev

Log likelihood function for the bimodal GEV distribution.

Description

Uses the density function to evaluate the likelihood. This is useful for the 'bgev.mle' function.

Usage

```
likbgev(y, theta = c(1, 1, 0.3, 2))
```

Arguments

y	a unidimensional vector containing the points to compute the log likelihood
theta	bimodal GEV parameters as an ordered pair $\theta = (\mu, \sigma, \xi, \delta)$

Value

a unidimensional vector containing the computed log likelihood for y.

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Examples

```
# get random points from bimodal GEV
y = rbgev(100, mu = 1, sigma = 1, xi = 0.3, delta = 2)

# compute log-likelihood
likbgev (y, theta = c(1, 1, 0.3, 2))
```

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