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betablockers

Beta-blockers Data

# Description

Contains the data of the 22-center clinical trial of beta-blockers for reducing mortality after myocardial infarction.

# **Format**

A numeric matrix with four columns:

center: center identification code.

deaths: the number of deaths in the center.

total: the number of patients taking beta-blockers in the center.

treatment: 0 for control, and 1 for treatment.

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### Source

Aitkin, M. (1999). A general maximum likelihood analysis of variance components in generalized linear models. *Biometrics*, **55**, 117-128.

#### References

Wang, Y. (2010). Maximum likelihood computation for fitting semiparametric mixture models. *Statistics and Computing*, **20**, 75-86.

### See Also

mlogit,cnmms.

### **Examples**

```
data(betablockers)
x = mlogit(betablockers)
cnmms(x)
```

brca

Z-values of BRCA Data

# Description

Contains 3226 z-values computed by Efron (2004) from the data obtained in a well-known microarray experiment concerning two types of genetic mutations causing increased breast cancer risk, BRCA1 and BRCA2.

#### **Format**

A numeric vector containing 3226 z-values.

### References

Efron, B. (2004). Large-scale simultaneous hypothesis testing: the choice of a null hypothesis. *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, **99**, 96-104.

Wang, Y. (2007). On fast computation of the non-parametric maximum likelihood estimate of a mixing distribution. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Ser. B*, **69**, 185-198.

Wang, Y. and C.-S. Chee (2012). Density estimation using nonparametric and semiparametric mixtures. *Statistical Modelling: An International Journal*, **12**, 67-92.

# See Also

npnorm,cnm.

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### **Examples**

```
data(brca)
x = npnorm(brca)
plot(cnm(x), x)
```

cnm

Maximum Likelihood Estimation of a Nonparametric Mixture Model

# **Description**

Function cnm can be used to compute the maximum likelihood estimate of a nonparametric mixing distribution (NPMLE) that has a one-dimensional mixing parameter, or simply the mixing proportions with support points held fixed.

A finite mixture model has a density of the form

$$f(x; \pi, \theta, \beta) = \sum_{j=1}^{k} \pi_j f(x; \theta_j, \beta).$$

where  $\pi_j \geq 0$  and  $\sum_{j=1}^k \pi_j = 1$ .

A nonparametric mixture model has a density of the form

$$f(x;G) = \int f(x;\theta)dG(\theta),$$

where G is a mixing distribution that is completely unspecified. The maximum likelihood estimate of the nonparametric G, or the NPMLE of G, is known to be a discrete distribution function.

Function cnm implements the CNM algorithm that is proposed in Wang (2007) and the hierarchical CNM algorithm of Wang and Taylor (2013). The implementation is generic using S3 object-oriented programming, in the sense that it works for an arbitrary family of mixture models defined by the user. The user, however, needs to supply the implementations of the following functions for their self-defined family of mixture models, as they are needed internally by function cnm:

```
initial(x, beta, mix, kmax)
valid(x, beta, theta)
logd(x, beta, pt, which)
gridpoints(x, beta, grid)
suppspace(x, beta)
length(x)
print(x, ...)
weight(x, ...)
```

While not needed by the algorithm for finding the solution, one may also implement

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```
plot(x, mix, beta, ...)
```

so that the fitted model can be shown graphically in a user-defined way. Inside cnm, it is used when plot="probability" so that the convergence of the algorithm can be graphically monitored.

For creating a new class, the user may consult the implementations of these functions for the families of mixture models included in the package, e.g., npnorm and nppois.

### Usage

```
cnm(
  Χ,
  init = NULL,
 model = c("npmle", "proportions"),
 maxit = 100,
  tol = 1e-06,
  grid = 100,
 plot = c("null", "gradient", "probability"),
  verbose = 0
)
```

### **Arguments**

a data object of some class that is fully defined by the user. The user needs to supply certain functions as described below.

> list of user-provided initial values for the mixing distribution mix and the structural parameter beta.

the type of model that is to estimated: the non-parametric MLE (if npmle), or mixing proportions only (if proportions).

maximum number of iterations.

a tolerance value needed to terminate an algorithm. Specifically, the algorithm is terminated, if the increase of the log-likelihood value after an iteration is less

than tol.

number of grid points that are used by the algorithm to locate all the local maxima of the gradient function. A larger number increases the chance of locating all local maxima, at the expense of an increased computational cost. The locations of the grid points are determined by the function gridpoints provided by each individual mixture family, and they do not have to be equally spaced. If needed, a gridpoints function may choose to return a different number of grid points than specified by grid.

whether a plot is produced at each iteration. Useful for monitoring the convergence of the algorithm. If ="null", no plot is produced. If ="gradient", it plots the gradient curves and if ="probability", the plot function defined by the user for the class is used.

verbosity level for printing intermediate results in each iteration, including none (= 0), the log-likelihood value (= 1), the maximum gradient (= 2), the support points of the mixing distribution (= 3), the mixing proportions (= 4), and if available, the value of the structural parameter beta (= 5).

init

mode1

maxit tol

grid

plot

verbose

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#### Value

family the name of the mixture family that is used to fit to the data.

num.iterations number of iterations required by the algorithm

max.gradient maximum value of the gradient function, evaluated at the beginning of the final iteration

convergence convergence code. =0 means a success, and =1 reaching the maximum number of iterations

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mix MLE of the mixing distribution, being an object of the class disc for discrete distributions.

beta value of the structural parameter, that is held fixed throughout the computation.

### Author(s)

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#### References

Wang, Y. (2007). On fast computation of the non-parametric maximum likelihood estimate of a mixing distribution. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Ser. B*, **69**, 185-198.

Wang, Y. (2010). Maximum likelihood computation for fitting semiparametric mixture models. *Statistics and Computing*, **20**, 75-86

Wang, Y. and Taylor, S. M. (2013). Efficient computation of nonparametric survival functions via a hierarchical mixture formulation. *Statistics and Computing*, **23**, 713-725.

#### See Also

nnls, npnorm, nppois, cnmms.

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cnmms

Maximum Likelihood Estimation of a Semiparametric Mixture Model

### **Description**

Functions cnmms, cnmp1 and cnmap can be used to compute the maximum likelihood estimate of a semiparametric mixture model that has a one-dimensional mixing parameter. The types of mixture models that can be computed include finite, nonparametric and semiparametric ones.

Function cnmms can also be used to compute the maximum likelihood estimate of a finite or non-parametric mixture model.

A finite mixture model has a density of the form

$$f(x; \pi, \theta, \beta) = \sum_{j=1}^{k} \pi_j f(x; \theta_j, \beta).$$

where  $pi_j \geq 0$  and  $\sum_{j=1}^k pi_j = 1$ .

A nonparametric mixture model has a density of the form

$$f(x;G) = \int f(x;\theta)dG(\theta),$$

where G is a mixing distribution that is completely unspecified. The maximum likelihood estimate of the nonparametric G, or the NPMLE of G, is known to be a discrete distribution function.

A semiparametric mixture model has a density of the form

$$f(x;G,\beta) = \int f(x;\theta,\beta)dG(\theta),$$

where G is a mixing distribution that is completely unspecified and  $\beta$  is the structural parameter.

Of the three functions, cnmms is recommended for most problems; see Wang (2010).

Functions cnmms, cnmp1 and cnmap implement the algorithms CNM-MS, CNM-PL and CNM-AP that are described in Wang (2010). Their implementations are generic using S3 object-oriented programming, in the sense that they can work for an arbitrary family of mixture models that is defined by the user. The user, however, needs to supply the implementations of the following functions for their self-defined family of mixture models, as they are needed internally by the functions above:

```
initial(x, beta, mix, kmax)
valid(x, beta)
logd(x, beta, pt, which)
gridpoints(x, beta, grid)
suppspace(x, beta)
length(x)
print(x, ...)
```

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```
weight(x, ...)
```

While not needed by the algorithms, one may also implement

```
plot(x, mix, beta, ...)
```

so that the fitted model can be shown graphically in a way that the user desires.

For creating a new class, the user may consult the implementations of these functions for the families of mixture models included in the package, e.g., cvp and mlogit.

### Usage

```
cnmms(x, init=NULL, maxit=1000, model=c("spmle","npmle"), tol=1e-6,
    grid=100, kmax=Inf, plot=c("null", "gradient", "probability"),
    verbose=0)
cnmpl(x, init=NULL, tol=1e-6, tol.npmle=tol*1e-4, grid=100, maxit=1000,
    plot=c("null", "gradient", "probability"), verbose=0)
cnmap(x, init=NULL, maxit=1000, tol=1e-6, grid=100, plot=c("null",
    "gradient"), verbose=0)
```

#### **Arguments**

_	
x	a data object of some class that can be defined fully by the user
init	list of user-provided initial values for the mixing distribution mix and the structural parameter beta
maxit	maximum number of iterations
model	the type of model that is to estimated: non-parametric MLE (npmle) or semi-parametric MLE (spmle).
tol	a tolerance value that is used to terminate an algorithm. Specifically, the algorithm is terminated, if the relative increase of the log-likelihood value after an iteration is less than tol. If an algorithm converges rapidly enough, then -log10(tol) is roughly the number of accurate digits in log-likelihood.
grid	number of grid points that are used by the algorithm to locate all the local maxima of the gradient function. A larger number increases the chance of locating all local maxima, at the expense of an increased computational cost. The locations of the grid points are determined by the function gridpoints provided by each individual mixture family, and they do not have to be equally spaced. If needed, an individual gridpoints function may return a different number of grid points than specified by grid.
kmax	upper bound on the number of support points. This is particularly useful for fitting a finite mixture model.
plot	whether a plot is produced at each iteration. Useful for monitoring the convergence of the algorithm. If null, no plot is produced. If gradient, it plots the gradient curves and if probability, the plot function defined by the user of the class is used.
verbose	verbosity level for printing intermediate results in each iteration, including none (= 0), the log-likelihood value (= 1), the maximum gradient (= 2), the support

available, the value of the structural parameter beta (= 5).

points of the mixing distribution (= 3), the mixing proportions (= 4), and if

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tol.npmle a tolerance value that is used to terminate the computing of the NPMLE internally.

### Value

family the class of the mixture family that is used to fit to the data.

num. iterations Number of iterations required by the algorithm

grad For cnmms, it contains the values of the gradient function at the support points

and the first derivatives of the log-likelihood with respect to theta and beta. For cnmpl, it contains only the first derivatives of the log-likelihood with respect to

beta. For cnmap, it contains only the gradient of beta.

max.gradient Maximum value of the gradient function, evaluated at the beginning of the final

iteration. It is only given by function cnmap.

convergence convergence code. =0 means a success, and =1 reaching the maximum number

of iterations

log-likelihood value at convergence

mix MLE of the mixing distribution, being an object of the class disc for discrete

distributions

beta MLE of the structural parameter

### Author(s)

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### References

Wang, Y. (2007). On fast computation of the non-parametric maximum likelihood estimate of a mixing distribution. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Ser. B*, **69**, 185-198.

Wang, Y. (2010). Maximum likelihood computation for fitting semiparametric mixture models. *Statistics and Computing*, **20**, 75-86

#### See Also

```
nnls, cnm, cvp, cvps, mlogit.
```

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cvps

Class cvps

### **Description**

These functions can be used to study a common variance problem (CVP), where univariate observations fall in known groups. Observations in each group are assumed to have the same mean, but different groups may have different means. All observations are assumed to have a common variance, despite their different means, hence giving the name of the problem. It is a random-effects problem.

# Usage

```
cvps(x)
rcvp(k, ni=2, mu=0, pr=1, sd=1)
rcvps(k, ni=2, mu=0, pr=1, sd=1)
## S3 method for class 'cvps'
print(x, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

X	CVP data in the raw form as an argument in cvps, or an object of class cvps in
	print.cvps.

k the number of groups.

ni a numeric vector that gives the sample size in each group.

mu a numeric vector for all the theoretical means.

pr a numeric vector for all the probabilities associated with the theoretical means.

sd a scalar for the standard deviation that is common to all observations.

... arguments passed on to function print.

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#### **Details**

Class cvps is used to store the CVP data in a summarized form.

Function cvps creates an object of class cvps, given a matrix that stores the values (column 2) and their grouping information (column 1).

Function rcvp generates a random sample in the raw form for a common variance problem, where the means follow a discrete distribution.

Function rcvps generates a random sample in the summarized form for a common variance problem, where the means follow a discrete distribution.

Function print.cvps prints the CVP data given in the summarized form.

The raw form of the CVP data is a two-column matrix, where each row represents an observation. The two columns along each row give, respectively, the group membership (group) and the value (x) of an observation.

The summarized form of the CVP data is a four-column matrix, where each row represents the summarized data for all observations in a group. The four columns along each row give, respectively, the group number (group), the number of observations in the group (ni), the sample mean of the observations in the group (mi), and the residual sum of squares of the observations in the group (ri).

#### Author(s)

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### References

Neyman, J. and Scott, E. L. (1948). Consistent estimates based on partially consistent observations. *Econometrica*, **16**, 1-32.

Kiefer, J. and Wolfowitz, J. (1956). Consistency of the maximum likelihood estimator in the presence of infinitely many incidental parameters. *Ann. Math. Stat.*, **27**, 886-906.

Wang, Y. (2010). Maximum likelihood computation for fitting semiparametric mixture models. *Statistics and Computing*, **20**, 75-86.

### See Also

```
nnls, cnmms.
```

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disc Class disc

# **Description**

Class disc is used to represent an arbitrary univariate discrete distribution with a finite number of support points.

# Usage

```
disc(pt, pr=1, sort=TRUE, collapse=FALSE)
```

# **Arguments**

pt a numeric vector for support points.

pr a numeric vector for probability values at the support points.

sort =TRUE, by default. If TRUE, support points are sorted (in increasing order).

collapse =TRUE, by default. If TRUE, identical support points are collapsed, with their

masses aggregated.

# **Details**

Function disc creates an object of class disc, given the support points and probability values at these points.

Function print.disc prints the discrete distribution.

### Author(s)

Yong Wang <yongwang@auckland.ac.nz>

### See Also

cnm, cnmms.

```
(d = disc(pt=c(0,4), pr=c(0.3,0.7)))
```

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Density function of a mixture distribution

# Description

Computes the density or their logarithmic values of a mixture distribution, where the component family depends on the class of x.

x must belong to a mixture family, as specified by its class.

### Usage

```
dmix(x, mix, beta = NULL, log = FALSE)
```

# Arguments

x a data object of a mixture model class.

mix a discrete distribution, as defined by class disc.

beta the structural parameter, if any.

log if TRUE, computes the log-values, or else just the density values.

#### Author(s)

Yong Wang <yongwang@auckland.ac.nz>

### References

Wang, Y. (2007). On fast computation of the non-parametric maximum likelihood estimate of a mixing distribution. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Ser. B*, **69**, 185-198.

Wang, Y. (2010). Maximum likelihood computation for fitting semiparametric mixture models. *Statistics and Computing*, **20**, 75-86

### See Also

```
cnm, cnmms, npnorm, nppois, disc,
```

```
## Poisson mixture
mix0 = disc(c(1,4), c(0.7,0.3))
x = rnppois(10, mix0)
dmix(x, mix0)
dmix(x, mix0, log=TRUE)

## Normal mixture
x = rnpnorm(10, mix0, sd=1)
dmix(x, mix0, 1)
dmix(x, mix0, 1, log=TRUE)
```

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```
dmix(x, mix0, 0.5, log=TRUE)
```

gridpoints

Grid points

# Description

A generic method used to return a vector of grid points used for searching local maxima of the gradient funcion.

# Usage

```
gridpoints(x, beta, grid)
```

# **Arguments**

x an object of a class for data.

beta instrumental parameter in a semiparametric mixture.

grid number of grid points to be generated.

# Value

A numeric vector containing grid points.

### Author(s)

Yong Wang <yongwang@auckland.ac.nz>

hcnm

Hierarchical Constrained Newton method

# Description

Function hcnm can be used to compute the MLE of a finite discrete mixing distribution, given the component density values of each observation. It implements the hierarchical CNM algorithm of Wang and Taylor (2013).

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### Usage

```
hcnm(
   D,
   p0 = NULL,
   w = 1,
   maxit = 1000,
   tol = 1e-06,
   blockpar = NULL,
   recurs.maxit = 2,
   compact = TRUE,
   depth = 1,
   verbose = 0
)
```

### **Arguments**

D A numeric matrix, each row of which stores the component density values of an

observation.

p0 Initial mixture component proportions.

W Duplicity of each row in matrix D (i.e., that of a corresponding observation).

maxit Maximum number of iterations.

tol A tolerance value to terminate the algorithm. Specifically, the algorithm is ter-

minated, if the increase of the log-likelihood value after an iteration is less than

tol.

blockpar Block partitioning parameter. If > 1, the number of blocks is roughly nro1(D)/blockpar.

If < 1, the number of blocks is roughly nrol(D) blockpar.

recurs.maxit Maximum number of iterations in recursions.

compact Whether iteratively select and use a compact subset (which guarantees conver-

gence), or not (if already done so before calling the function).

depth Depth of recursion/hierarchy.

verbose Verbosity level for printing intermediate results.

# Value

p Computed probability vector.

convergence code. =0 means a success, and =1 reaching the maximum number

of iterations

log-likelihood value at convergence

maxgrad Maximum gradient value.

numiter number of iterations required by the algorithm

# Author(s)

Yong Wang <yongwang@auckland.ac.nz>

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### References

Wang, Y. (2007). On fast computation of the non-parametric maximum likelihood estimate of a mixing distribution. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Ser. B*, **69**, 185-198.

Wang, Y. and Taylor, S. M. (2013). Efficient computation of nonparametric survival functions via a hierarchical mixture formulation. *Statistics and Computing*, **23**, 713-725.

#### See Also

```
cnm, nppois, disc.
```

# Examples

```
x = rnppois(1000, disc(0:50))  # Poisson mixture
D = outer(x$v, 0:1000/10, dpois)
(r = hcnm(D, w=x$w))
disc(0:1000/10, r$p, collapse=TRUE)
cnm(x, init=list(mix=disc(0:1000/10)), model="p")
```

initial

Initialization for a nonparametric/semiparametric mixture

# **Description**

A generic method used to return an initialization for a nonparametric/semiparametric mixture.

# Usage

```
initial(x, beta, mix, kmax)
```

# **Arguments**

x an object of a class for data.

beta instrumental parameter in a semiparametric mixture.

mix an object of class disc for the mixing distribution.

kmax the maximum allowed number of support points used.

#### Value

beta an initialized value of beta

mix an initialised or updated object of class disc for the mixing distribution.

#### Author(s)

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initial0

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# **Description**

The functions examines whether the initial values are proper. If not, proper ones are provided, by employing the function "initial" provided by the class.

# Usage

```
initial0(x, init = NULL, kmax = NULL)
```

# **Arguments**

x an object of a class for data.

init a list with initial values for beta and mix (as in the output of initial)

kmax the maximum allowed number of support points used.

#### Value

beta an initialized value of beta

mix an initialised or updated object of class disc for the mixing distribution.

# Author(s)

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llex	Log-likleihood Extra Term.

# **Description**

Value of possibly an extra term in the log-likleihood function for the instrumental parameter beta

# Usage

```
llex(x, beta, mix)
```

### **Arguments**

x an object of a class for data.

beta instrumental parameter in a semiparametric mixture.

mix an object of class disc for the mixing distribution.

logd

# Value

a scalar value

# Author(s)

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llexdb

Derivative of the log-likleihood Extra Term

# Description

Derivative of the log-likleihood extra term wrt beta

# Usage

```
llexdb(x, beta, mix)
```

# Arguments

x an object of a class for data.

beta instrumental parameter in a semiparametric mixture.

mix an object of class disc for the mixing distribution.

# Value

a scalar value

# Author(s)

Yong Wang yongwang@auckland.ac.nz>

logd

Log-density and its derivative values

# Description

A generic method to compute the log-density values and possibly their first derivatives with respec to theta and beta.

# Usage

```
logd(x, beta, pt, which)
```

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# **Arguments**

lass for data.
lass for data

beta instrumental parameter in a semiparametric mixture.

pt a vector of values for the mixing variable theta.

which an integer vector of length 3, indicating if, respectively, the log-density values,

the derivatives wrt beta and the derivatives wrt theta are to be computed and

returned if being 1 (TRUE).

#### Value

ld a matrix, storing the log-density values for each (x[i], beta, pt[j], or NULL if not

asked for.

db a matrix, storing the log-density derivatives wrt beta for each (x[i], beta, pt[j], or

NULL if not asked for.

dt a matrix, storing the log-density derivatives wrt theta for each (x[i], beta, pt[j],

or NULL if not asked for.

### Author(s)

Yong Wang <yongwang@auckland.ac.nz>

loglik	Log-likelihood value of a mixture	

# **Description**

Computes the log-likelihood value

x must belong to a mixture family, as specified by its class.

### Usage

```
loglik(mix, x, beta = NULL, attr = FALSE)
```

### **Arguments**

mix a discrete distribution, as defined by class disc.

x a data object of a mixture model class.

beta the structural parameter, if any.

attr =FALSE, by default. If TRUE, also returns attributes "dmix" and "logd"

### Value

the log-likelihood value.

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### Author(s)

Yong Wang <yongwang@auckland.ac.nz>

#### References

Wang, Y. (2007). On fast computation of the non-parametric maximum likelihood estimate of a mixing distribution. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Ser. B*, **69**, 185-198.

Wang, Y. (2010). Maximum likelihood computation for fitting semiparametric mixture models. *Statistics and Computing*, **20**, 75-86

### See Also

```
cnm, cnmms, npnorm, nppois, disc,
```

### **Examples**

```
## Poisson mixture
mix0 = disc(c(1,4), c(0.7,0.3))
x = rnppois(10, mix0)
loglik(mix0, x)

## Normal mixture
x = rnpnorm(10, mix0, sd=2)
loglik(mix0, x, 2)
```

lungcancer

Lung Cancer Data

# Description

Contains the data of 14 studies of the effect of smoking on lung cancer.

### **Format**

A numeric matrix with four columns:

study: study identification code.

lungcancer: the number of people diagnosed with lung cancer.

size: the number of people in the study.

smoker: 0 for smoker, and 1 for non-smoker.

### **Source**

Booth, J. G. and Hobert, J. P. (1999). Maximizing generalized linear mixed model likelihoods with an automated Monte Carlo EM algorithm. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Ser. B*, **61**, 265-285.

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# References

Wang, Y. (2010). Maximum likelihood computation for fitting semiparametric mixture models. *Statistics and Computing*, **20**, 75-86.

### See Also

```
mlogit,cnmms.
```

# **Examples**

```
data(lungcancer)
x = mlogit(lungcancer)
cnmms(x)
```

mlogit

 ${\it Class} \; {\it mlogit}$ 

# Description

These functions can be used to fit a binomial logistic regression model that has a random intercept to clustered observations. Observations in each cluster are assumed to have the same intercept, while different clusters may have different intercepts. This is a mixed-effects problem.

# Usage

```
mlogit(x)
rmlogit(k, gi=2, ni=2, pt=0, pr=1, beta=1, X)
```

# Arguments

X	a numeric matrix with four or more columns that stores clustered data.
k	the number of groups or clusters.
gi	a numeric vector that gives the sample size in each group.
ni	a numeric vector for the number of Bernoulli trials for each observation.
pt	a numeric vector for all the support points.
pr	a numeric vector for all the probabilities associated with the support points.
beta	a numeric vector for the fixed coefficients of the covariates of the observation.
Χ	the numeric matrix as the design matrix. If missing, a random matrix is created from a normal distribution.

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#### **Details**

Class mlogit is used to store data for fitting the binomial logistic regression model with a random intercept.

Function mlogit creates an object of class mlogit, given a matrix with four or more columns that stores, respectively, the group/cluster membership (column 1), the number of ones or successes in the Bernoulli trials (column 2), the number of the Bernoulli trials (column 3), and the covariates (columns 4+).

Function rmlogit generates a random sample that is saved as an object of class mlogit.

An object of class mlogit contains a matrix with four or more columns, that stores, respectively, the group/cluster membership (column 1), the number of ones or successes in the Bernoulli trials (column 2), the number of the Bernoulli trials (column 3), and the covariates (columns 4+).

It also has two additional attributes that facilitate the computing by function cmmms. The first attribute is ui, which stores the unique values of group memberships, and the second is gi, the number of observations in each unique group.

It is convenient to use function mlogit to create an object of class mlogit.

#### Author(s)

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### References

Kiefer, J. and Wolfowitz, J. (1956). Consistency of the maximum likelihood estimator in the presence of infinitely many incidental parameters. *Ann. Math. Stat.*, **27**, 886-906.

Wang, Y. (2010). Maximum likelihood computation for fitting semiparametric mixture models. *Statistics and Computing*, **20**, 75-86.

#### See Also

```
nnls, cnmms.
```

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npgeom	Class npgeom	

### **Description**

Class npgeom is used to store data that will be processed as those of a nonparametric geometric mixture.

Function npgeom creates an object of class npgeom, given values and weights/frequencies.

Function rnpgeom generates a random sample from a geometric mixture and saves the data as an object of class npgeom.

Function dnpgeom is the density function of a Poisson mixture.

Function pnpgeom is the distribution function of a Poisson mixture.

# Usage

```
npgeom(v, w=1, grouping=FALSE)
rnpgeom(n, mix=disc(0.5))
dnpgeom(x, mix=disc(0.5), log=FALSE)
pnpgeom(x, mix=disc(0.5), lower.tail=TRUE, log.p=FALSE)
```

# **Arguments**

V W	a numeric vector that stores the values of a sample.  a numeric vector that stores the corresponding weights/frequencies of the observations.
grouping	logical, whether or not use frequencies (w) for identical values.
n	the sample size.
X	an object of class npgeom.
mix	an object of class disc.
log	=FALSE, if log-values are to be returned.
lower.tail	=FALSE, if lower.tail values are to be returned.
log.p	=FALSE, if log probability values are to be returned.

### Author(s)

Yong Wang <yongwang@auckland.ac.nz>

### References

Wang, Y. (2007). On fast computation of the non-parametric maximum likelihood estimate of a mixing distribution. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Ser. B*, **69**, 185-198.

# See Also

```
nnls, cnm, cnmms, plot.nspmix.
```

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### **Examples**

```
mix = disc(pt=c(0.2,0.5), pr=c(0.3,0.7))
(x = rnpgeom(200, mix))
dnpgeom(x, mix)
pnpgeom(x, mix)
```

npnbinom

Class npnbinom

# Description

Class npnbinom is used to store data that will be processed as those of a nonparametric negative binomial mixture.

Function npnbinom creates an object of class npnbinom, given values and weights/frequencies.

Function rnpnbinom generates a random sample from a negative binomial mixture and saves the data as an object of class npnbinom.

# Usage

```
npnbinom(v, w=1, size, grouping=TRUE)
rnpnbinom(n, size, mix=disc(0.5))
dnpnbinom(x, mix=disc(0.5), size=NULL, log=FALSE)
pnpnbinom(x, mix=disc(0.5), size=NULL, lower.tail=TRUE, log.p=FALSE)
```

### **Arguments**

V	a numeric vector that stores the values of a sample.
W	a numeric vector that stores the corresponding weights/frequencies of the observations.
size	number of successful trials (ignored if x is an object of class npnbinom).
grouping	logical, to use frequencies (w) for identical values
n	the sample size.
X	an object of class npnbinom, or a numeric vector (then value of size must be provided).
mix	an object of class disc.
log	=FALSE, if log-values are to be returned.
lower.tail	=FALSE, if lower.tail values are to be returned.
log.p	=FALSE, if log probability values are to be returned.

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### References

Wang, Y. (2007). On fast computation of the non-parametric maximum likelihood estimate of a mixing distribution. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Ser. B*, **69**, 185-198.

#### See Also

```
nnls, cnm, cnmms, plot.nspmix.
```

### **Examples**

```
mix = disc(pt=c(0.2,0.5), pr=c(0.3,0.7))
(x = rnpnbinom(200, size=10, mix))
dnpnbinom(x, mix, size=10)
pnpnbinom(x, mix, size=10)
```

npnorm

Class npnorm

# **Description**

Class npnorm can be used to store data that will be processed as those of a nonparametric normal mixture. There are several functions associated with the class.

Function npnorm creates an object of class npnorm, given values and weights/frequencies.

Function rnpnorm generates a random sample from a normal mixture and saves the data as an object of class npnorm.

Function dnpnorm is the density function of a normal mixture.

Function pnpnorm is the distribution function of a normal mixture.

# Usage

```
npnorm(v, w = 1)
rnpnorm(n, mix=disc(0), sd=1)
dnpnorm(x, mix=disc(0), sd=1, log=FALSE)
pnpnorm(x, mix=disc(0), sd=1, lower.tail=TRUE, log.p=FALSE)
```

# Arguments

V	a numeric vector that stores the values of a sample.
W	a numeric vector that stores the corresponding weights/frequencies of the observations.
n	the sample size.
mix	an object of class disc, for a discrete distribution.
sd	a scalar for the component standard deviation that is common to all components.
X	a numeric vector or an object of class npnorm.
log, log.p	logical, for computing the log-values or not.
lower.tail	logical, for computing the lower tail value or not.

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### Author(s)

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#### References

Wang, Y. (2007). On fast computation of the non-parametric maximum likelihood estimate of a mixing distribution. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Ser. B*, **69**, 185-198.

#### See Also

```
nnls, cnm, cnmms, plot.nspmix.
```

# **Examples**

```
\begin{array}{lll} \text{mix} = \text{disc}(\text{pt=c}(\emptyset,4), \ \text{pr=c}(\emptyset.3,\emptyset.7)) & \# \ \text{a discrete distribution} \\ \text{x} = \text{rnpnorm}(200, \ \text{mix}, \ \text{sd=1}) \\ \text{dnpnorm}(-2:6, \ \text{mix}, \ \text{sd=1}) \\ \text{pnpnorm}(\text{npnorm}(-2:6), \ \text{mix}, \ \text{sd=1}) \\ \text{dnpnorm}(\text{npnorm}(-2:6), \ \text{mix}, \ \text{sd=1}) \\ \text{pnpnorm}(\text{npnorm}(-2:6), \ \text{mix}, \ \text{sd=1}) \end{array}
```

nppois

Class nppois

# Description

Class nppois is used to store data that will be processed as those of a nonparametric Poisson mixture.

Function nppois creates an object of class nppois, given values and weights/frequencies.

Function rnppois generates a random sample from a Poisson mixture and saves the data as an object of class nppois.

Function dnppois is the density function of a Poisson mixture.

Function pnppois is the distribution function of a Poisson mixture.

# Usage

```
nppois(v, w=1, grouping=TRUE)
rnppois(n, mix=disc(1), ...)
dnppois(x, mix=disc(1), log=FALSE)
pnppois(x, mix=disc(1), lower.tail=TRUE, log.p=FALSE)
```

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# **Arguments**

V	a numeric vector that stores the values of a sample.
W	a numeric vector that stores the corresponding weights/frequencies of the observations.
grouping	logical, to use frequencies (w) for identical values
n	the sample size.
X	an object of class nppois.
mix	an object of class disc.
log	logical, to compute the log-values or not.
lower.tail	=FALSE, if lower.tail values are to be returned.
log.p	=FALSE, if log probability values are to be returned.
	arguments passed on to function plot.

### Author(s)

Yong Wang <yongwang@auckland.ac.nz>

### References

Wang, Y. (2007). On fast computation of the non-parametric maximum likelihood estimate of a mixing distribution. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Ser. B*, **69**, 185-198.

### See Also

```
nnls, cnm, cnmms, plot.nspmix.
```

# **Examples**

```
\begin{array}{ll} \text{mix} = \text{disc}(\text{pt=c}(\emptyset,4), \ \text{pr=c}(\emptyset.3,\emptyset.7)) & \# \ \text{a discrete distribution} \\ \text{x} = \text{rnppois}(200, \ \text{mix}) \\ \text{dnppois}(\emptyset:10, \ \text{mix}) \\ \text{pnppois}(\emptyset:10, \ \text{mix}) \\ \text{dnppois}(\text{nppois}(\emptyset:10), \ \text{mix}) \\ \text{pnppois}(\text{nppois}(\emptyset:10), \ \text{mix}) \end{array}
```

plot.disc

Plot a discrete distribution function

# **Description**

Class disc is used to represent an arbitrary univariate discrete distribution with a finite number of support points.

Function disc creates an object of class disc, given the support points and probability values at these points.

Function plot.disc plots the discrete distribution.

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# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'disc'
plot(
    x,
    type = c("pdf", "cdf"),
    add = FALSE,
    col = 4,
    lwd = 1,
    ylim,
    xlab = "",
    ylab = "Probability",
    ...
)
```

# **Arguments**

```
x an object of class disc.
type plot its pdf or cdf.
add add the plot or not.
col colour to be used.
lwd, ylim, xlab, ylab graphical parameters.
... arguments passed on to function plot.
```

### Author(s)

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# See Also

```
disc, cnm, cnmms.
```

```
plot(disc(pt=c(0,4), pr=c(0.3,0.7)))
plot(disc(rnorm(5), 1:5))
for(i in 1:5)
    plot(disc(rnorm(5), 1:5), type="cdf", add=(i>1), xlim=c(-3,3))
```

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plot.npgeom

Plotting a nonparametric geometric mixture

### **Description**

Function plot.npgeom plots a geometric mixture, along with data.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'npgeom'
plot(
    X,
    mix,
    beta,
    col = "red",
    add = FALSE,
    components = TRUE,
    main = "npgeom",
    lwd = 1,
    lty = 1,
    xlab = "Data",
    ylab = "Density",
    ...
)
```

### **Arguments**

```
Χ
                   an object of class npgeom.
mix
                   an object of class disc.
beta
                   the structural parameter (not used for a geometric mixture).
                   the color of the density curve to be plotted.
col
                   if FALSE, creates a new plot; if TRUE, adds the plot to the existing one.
add
                   if TRUE, also show the support points and mixing proportions (with vertical lines
components
                   in proportion).
main, lwd, lty, xlab, ylab
                   arguments for graphical parameters (see par).
                   arguments passed on to function plot.
```

### Author(s)

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# References

Wang, Y. (2007). On fast computation of the non-parametric maximum likelihood estimate of a mixing distribution. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Ser. B*, **69**, 185-198.

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### See Also

```
nnls, cnm, cnmms, plot.nspmix.
```

### **Examples**

```
mix = disc(pt=c(0.2,0.6), pr=c(0.3,0.7)) # a discrete distribution x = rnpgeom(200, mix) plot(x, mix)
```

plot.npnbinom

Plotting a nonparametric negative binomial mixture

### **Description**

Function plot.npnbinom plots a negative binomial mixture, along with data.

### Usage

```
## $3 method for class 'npnbinom'
plot(
    X,
    mix,
    beta,
    col = "red",
    add = FALSE,
    components = TRUE,
    main = "npnbinom",
    lwd = 1,
    lty = 1,
    xlab = "Data",
    ylab = "Density",
    ...
)
```

# Arguments

```
an object of class npnbinom.
Х
                   an object of class disc.
mix
                   the structural parameter (not used for a negative binomial mixture).
beta
                   the color of the density curve to be plotted.
col
                   if FALSE, creates a new plot; if TRUE, adds the plot to the existing one.
add
components
                   if TRUE, also show the support points and mixing proportions (with vertical lines
                   in proportion).
main, lwd, lty, xlab, ylab
                   arguments for graphical parameters (see par).
                   arguments passed on to function plot.
```

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### Author(s)

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#### References

Wang, Y. (2007). On fast computation of the non-parametric maximum likelihood estimate of a mixing distribution. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Ser. B*, **69**, 185-198.

### See Also

```
nnls, cnm, cnmms, plot.nspmix.
```

# **Examples**

```
mix = disc(pt=c(0.2,0.5), pr=c(0.3,0.7)) # a discrete distribution x = rnpnbinom(200, 10, mix) plot(x, mix)
```

plot.npnorm

Plotting a Nonparametric or Semiparametric Normal Mixture

# **Description**

Function plot.npnorm plots the normal mixture.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'npnorm'
plot(
  Х,
 mix,
 beta,
 breaks = NULL,
  col = 2,
  len = 100,
  add = FALSE,
  border.col = NULL,
  border.lwd = 1,
  fill = "lightgrey",
  main,
  1wd = 2,
  lty = 1,
  xlab = "Data",
  ylab = "Density",
  components = c("proportions", "curves", "null"),
  lty.components = 2,
```

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```
lwd.components = 2,
    ...
)
```

### **Arguments**

x an object of class npnorm.

mix an object of class disc, for a discrete distribution.

beta the structural parameter.

breaks the rough number bins used for plotting the histogram.

col the color of the density curve to be plotted.

len the number of points roughly used to plot the density curve over the interval of

length 8 times the component standard deviation around each component mean.

add if FALSE, creates a new plot; if TRUE, adds the plot to the existing one.

border.col color for the border of histogram boxes.

border.lwd line width for the border of histogram boxes.

fill color to fill in the histogram boxes.

main, lwd, lty, xlab, ylab

arguments for graphical parameters (see par).

components if proportions (default), also show the support points and mixing proportions

(in proportional vertical lines); if curves, also show the component density

curves; if null, components are not shown.

lty.components, lwd.components

line type and width for the component curves.

... arguments passed on to function plot.

#### Author(s)

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### References

Wang, Y. (2007). On fast computation of the non-parametric maximum likelihood estimate of a mixing distribution. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Ser. B*, **69**, 185-198.

#### See Also

```
nnls, cnm, cnmms, plot.nspmix.
```

```
mix = disc(pt=c(0,4), pr=c(0.3,0.7)) # a discrete distribution x = rnpnorm(200, mix, sd=1) plot(x, mix, beta=1)
```

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plot.nppois

Plotting a nonparametric Poisson mixture

### **Description**

Function plot.nppois plots a Poisson mixture, along with data.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'nppois'
plot(
    x,
    mix,
    beta,
    col = 2,
    add = FALSE,
    components = c("proportions", "curves", "null"),
    main = "nppois",
    lwd = 1,
    lty = 1,
    xlab = "Data",
    ylab = "Density",
    xlim = NULL,
    ...
)
```

### **Arguments**

```
an object of class nppois.
Х
                   an object of class disc.
mix
beta
                   the structural parameter (not used for a Poisson mixture).
col
                   the color of the density curve to be plotted.
add
                   if FALSE, creates a new plot; if TRUE, adds the plot to the existing one.
components
                   if proportions (default), also show the support points and mixing proportions
                   (in proportional vertical lines); if curves, also show the component density
                   curves; if null, components are not shown.
main, lwd, lty, xlab, ylab, xlim
                   arguments for graphical parameters (see par).
                   arguments passed on to function barplot.
. . .
```

### Author(s)

Yong Wang <yongwang@auckland.ac.nz>

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### References

Wang, Y. (2007). On fast computation of the non-parametric maximum likelihood estimate of a mixing distribution. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Ser. B*, **69**, 185-198.

#### See Also

```
nnls, cnm, cnmms, plot.nspmix.
```

### **Examples**

```
mix = disc(pt=c(0,4), pr=c(0.3,0.7)) # a discrete distribution x = rnppois(200, mix) plot(x, mix)
```

plot.nspmix

Plots a function for an object of class nspmix

### **Description**

Plots a function for the object of class nspmix, currently either using the plot function of the class or plotting the gradient curve (or its first derivative)

data must belong to a mixture family, as specified by its class.

Class nspmix is an object returned by function cnm, cnmms, cnmpl or cnmap.

#### **Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'nspmix'
plot(x, data, type = c("probability", "gradient"), ...)
## S3 method for class 'nspmix'
plot(x, data, type=c("probability", "gradient"), ...)
```

### **Arguments**

```
    x an object of a mixture model class
    data a data set from the mixture model
    type the type of function to be plotted: the probability model of the mixture family (probability), or the gradient function (gradient).
    ... arguments passed on to the plot function called.
```

### **Details**

Function plot.nspmix plots either the mixture model, if the family of the mixture provides an implementation of the generic plot function, or the gradient function.

data must belong to a mixture family, as specified by its class.

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### Author(s)

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#### References

Wang, Y. (2007). On fast computation of the non-parametric maximum likelihood estimate of a mixing distribution. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Ser. B*, **69**, 185-198.

Wang, Y. (2010). Maximum likelihood computation for fitting semiparametric mixture models. *Statistics and Computing*, **20**, 75-86

Wang, Y. (2007). On fast computation of the non-parametric maximum likelihood estimate of a mixing distribution. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Ser. B*, **69**, 185-198.

Wang, Y. (2010). Maximum likelihood computation for fitting semiparametric mixture models. *Statistics and Computing*, **20**, 75-86

#### See Also

```
plot.nspmix, nnls, cnm, cnmms, npnorm, nppois.
nnls, cnm, cnmms, cnmpl, cnmap, npnorm, nppois.
```

```
## Poisson mixture
x = rnppois(200, disc(c(1,4), c(0.7,0.3)))
plot(cnm(x), x)
## Normal mixture
x = rnpnorm(200, disc(c(0,4), c(0.3,0.7)), sd=1)
r = cnm(x, init=list(beta=0.5)) # sd = 0.5
plot(r, x)
plot(r, x, type="g")
plot(r, x, type="g", order=1)
## Poisson mixture
x = rnppois(200, disc(c(1,4), c(0.7,0.3)))
r = cnm(x)
plot(r, x, "p")
plot(r, x, "g")
## Normal mixture
x = rnpnorm(200, mix=disc(c(0,4), c(0.3,0.7)), sd=1)
r = cnm(x, init=list(beta=0.5)) # sd = 0.5
plot(r, x, "p")
plot(r, x, "g")
```

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Plot the Gradient Function

# Description

Function plotgrad plots the gradient function or its first derivative of a nonparametric mixture.

# Usage

```
plotgrad(
 х,
 mix,
 beta,
 len = 500,
 order = 0,
  col = 4,
  col2 = 2,
  add = FALSE,
 main = paste0("Class: ", class(x)),
 xlab = expression(theta),
 ylab = paste0("Gradient (order = ", order, ")"),
  cex = 1,
  pch = 1,
  lwd = 1,
  xlim,
 ylim,
)
```

# Arguments

x	a data object of a mixture model class.
mix	an object of class 'disc', for a discrete mixing distribution.
beta	the structural parameter.
len	number of points used to plot the smooth curve.
order	the order of the derivative of the gradient function to be plotted. If 0, it is the gradient function itself.
col	color for the curve.
col2	color for the support points.
add	if FALSE, create a new plot; if TRUE, add the curve and points to the current one.
main, xlab, ylab, cex, pch, lwd, xlim, ylim	
	arguments for graphical parameters (see par).
	arguments passed on to function plot.

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### **Details**

data must belong to a mixture family, as specified by its class.

The support points are shown on the horizontal line of gradient 0. The vertical lines going downwards at the support points are proportional to the mixing proportions at these points.

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#### References

Wang, Y. (2007). On fast computation of the non-parametric maximum likelihood estimate of a mixing distribution. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Ser. B*, **69**, 185-198.

Wang, Y. (2010). Maximum likelihood computation for fitting semiparametric mixture models. *Statistics and Computing*, **20**, 75-86

#### See Also

```
plot.nspmix, nnls, cnm, cnmms, npnorm, nppois.
```

### **Examples**

```
## Poisson mixture
x = rnppois(200, disc(c(1,4), c(0.7,0.3)))
r = cnm(x)
plotgrad(x, r$mix)

## Normal mixture
x = rnpnorm(200, disc(c(0,4), c(0.3,0.7)), sd=1)
r = cnm(x, init=list(beta=0.5))  # sd = 0.5
plotgrad(x, r$mix, r$beta)
```

print.disc

Prints a discrete distribution function

### **Description**

Class disc is used to represent an arbitrary univariate discrete distribution with a finite number of support points.

Function disc creates an object of class disc, given the support points and probability values at these points.

Function print.disc prints the discrete distribution.

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'disc'
print(x, ...)
```

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### **Arguments**

x an object of class disc.

... arguments passed on to function print.

### Author(s)

Yong Wang <yongwang@auckland.ac.nz>

# See Also

```
cnm, cnmms.
```

# **Examples**

```
(d = disc(pt=c(0,4), pr=c(0.3,0.7)))
```

sort.npnorm

Sorting of an Object of Class npnorm

# Description

Function sort.npnorm sorts an object of class npnorm in the order of the obsersed values.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'npnorm'
sort(x, decreasing = FALSE, ...)
```

# Arguments

x an object of class npnorm.

decreasing logical, in the decreasing (default) or increasing order.

... arguments passed to function order.

```
\label{eq:mix} \begin{array}{ll} \mbox{mix = disc(pt=c(0,4), pr=c(0.3,0.7))} & \mbox{\# a discrete distribution} \\ \mbox{x = rnpnorm(20, mix, sd=1)} \\ \mbox{sort(x)} \end{array}
```

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sort.nppois

Sorting of an Object of Class nppois

# Description

Function sort.nppois sorts an object of class nppois in the order of the obsersed values.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'nppois'
sort(x, decreasing = FALSE, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

x an object of class nppois.decreasing logical, in the decreasing (default) or increasing order.

arguments passed to function order.

# Examples

```
\label{eq:mix} \begin{array}{ll} \mbox{mix} = \mbox{disc(pt=c(0,4), pr=c(0.3,0.7))} & \mbox{\# a discrete distribution} \\ \mbox{x} = \mbox{rnppois(20, mix)} \\ \mbox{sort(x)} \end{array}
```

suppspace

Support space

# Description

Range of the mixing variable (theta).

# Usage

```
suppspace(x, beta)
```

# Arguments

x an object of a class for data.

beta instrumental parameter in a semiparametric mixture.

# Value

A vector of length 2.

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thai

Illness Spells and Frequencies of Thai Preschool Children

# **Description**

Contains the results of a cohort study in north-east Thailand in which 602 preschool children participated. For each child, the number of illness spells x, such as fever, cough or running nose, is recorded for all 2-week periods from June 1982 to September 1985. The frequency for each value of x is saved in the data set.

### **Format**

A data frame with 24 rows and 2 variables:

x: values of x.

freq: frequencies for each value of x.

### Source

Bohning, D. (2000). *Computer-assisted Analysis of Mixtures and Applications: Meta-analysis, Disease Mapping, and Others.* Boca Raton: Chapman and Hall-CRC.

# References

Wang, Y. (2007). On fast computation of the non-parametric maximum likelihood estimate of a mixing distribution. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Ser. B*, **69**, 185-198.

### See Also

nppois,cnm.

```
data(thai)
x = nppois(thai)
plot(cnm(x), x)
```

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Toxoplasmosis Data

# **Description**

Contains the number of subjects testing positively for toxoplasmosis in 34 cities of El Salvador, with various rainfalls.

### **Format**

A numeric matrix with four columns:

city: city identification code.

y: the number of subjects testing positively for toxoplasmosis.

n: the number of subjects tested.

rainfall: the annual rainfall of the city, in meters.

### References

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#### See Also

```
mlogit,cnmms.
```

```
data(toxo)
x = mlogit(toxo)
cnmms(x)
```

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valid

Valid parameter values

# Description

A generic method used to return TRUE if the values of the paramters use for a nonparametric/semiparametric mixture are valid, or FALSE if otherwise.

# Usage

```
valid(x, beta, theta)
```

# Arguments

x an object of a class for data.

beta instrumental parameter in a semiparametric mixture.

theta values of the mixing variable.

# Value

A logical value.

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weight

Weights

# Description

Weights or frequencis of observations.

### Usage

```
weight(x, beta)
```

# **Arguments**

x an object of a class for data.

beta instrumental parameter in a semiparametric mixture.

# Value

a numeric vector of the weights.

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whist

Weighted Histograms Plots or computes the histogram with observations with multiplicities/weights. Just like hist, whist can either plot the histogram or compute the values that define the histogram, by setting plot to TRUE or FALSE. The histogram can either be the one for frequencies or density, by setting freq to TRUE or FALSE.

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The histogram can either be the one for frequencies or density, by setting freq to TRUE or FALSE.

### Usage

```
whist(
  х,
 w = 1,
 breaks = "Sturges",
  plot = TRUE,
  freq = NULL,
  xlim = NULL,
 ylim = NULL,
  xlab = "Data",
 ylab = NULL,
 main = NULL,
  add = FALSE,
  col = "lightgray",
 border = NULL,
  lwd = 1,
)
```

### **Arguments**

```
x a vector of values for which the histogram is desired.

w a vector of multiplicities/weights for the values in x.

breaks, plot, freq, xlim, ylim, xlab, ylab, main, add, col, border, lwd

These arguments have similar functionalities to their namesakes in function hist.

... arguments passed on to function plot.
```

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# Value

breaks the break points.

counts weighted counts over the intervals determined by breaks density values over the intervals determined by breaks mids midpoints of the intervals determined by breaks

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# See Also

hist.

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