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<b>Description</b> Methodology for fitting marginal extreme value (and associated) models using partially-interpretable neural networks. Networks are trained using the R interface to Keras with custom loss functions taken to be penalised versions of the negative log-likelihood for associated models.
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The blended-GEV distribution

# Description

Distribution function, quantile function and random generation for the blended generalised extreme value (bGEV) distribution with location equal to q\_alpha, spread equal to s\_beta and shape equal to xi. Note that unlike similar functions in package stats, these functions accept only scalar inputs, rather than vectors, for the parameters.

## Usage

```
pbGEV(y, q_alpha, s_beta, xi, alpha = 0.5, beta = 0.5, p_a = 0.05,
    p_b = 0.2, c1 = 5, c2 = 5, log = F)

qbGEV(prob, q_alpha, s_beta, xi, alpha = 0.5, beta = 0.5, p_a = 0.05,
    p_b = 0.2, c1 = 5, c2 = 5)

rbGEV(n, q_alpha, s_beta, xi, alpha = 0.5, beta = 0.5, p_a = 0.05,
    p_b = 0.2, c1 = 5, c2 = 5)
```

# **Arguments**

y scalar quantile.

q\_alpha scalar location parameter.s\_beta scalar spread parameter.xi scalar shape parameter.

alpha, beta, p\_a, p\_b, c1, c2

hyper-parameters for the bGEV distribution, see details. Defaults set to those

proposed by Castro-Camilo et al. (2021).

logical; if TRUE, probabilities are given as log(prob).

prob scalar probability.
n number of replications.

#### **Details**

The GEV distribution function for real location  $\mu$  and scale  $\sigma > 0$  is

$$G(y|\mu, \sigma, \xi) = \exp[-1\{1 + \xi(y - \mu)/\sigma\}_{+}^{-1/\xi}]$$

for  $\xi > 0$  and

$$G(y|\mu, \sigma, \xi) = \exp\{-\exp(-(y-\mu)/\sigma)\}\$$

for  $\xi=0$ , where  $\{x\}_+=\max\{0,x\}$ . It can be re-parametrised in terms of a location parameter  $q_\alpha$  for  $\alpha\in(0,1)$ , denoting the GEV  $\alpha$ -quantile, and a spread parameter  $s_\beta=q_{1-\beta/2}-q_{\beta/2}$  for  $\beta\in(0,1)$ . This is achieved using the following one-to-one mapping; if  $\xi>0$ , then

$$\mu = q_{\alpha} - s_{\beta}(l_{\alpha,\xi} - 1)/(l_{1-\beta/2,\xi} - l_{\beta/2,\xi})$$

and

$$\sigma = \xi s_{\beta} / (l_{1-\beta/2,\xi} - l_{\beta/2,\xi})$$

where  $l_{x,\xi} = (-\log(x))^{-\xi}$ ; if  $\xi = 0$ , then

$$\mu = q_{\alpha} + s_{\beta}l_{\alpha}/(l_{\beta/2} - l_{1-\beta/2})$$

and

$$\sigma = s_{\beta}/(l_{\beta/2} - l_{1-\beta/2})$$

where  $l_x = \log(-\log(x))$ .

By Castro-Camilo et al. (2021), the blended-GEV has distribution function

$$F(y|q_{\alpha}, s_{\beta}, \xi, a, b) = G(y|\tilde{q}_{\alpha}, \tilde{s}_{\beta}, \xi = 0)^{1 - p(y;a,b)} G(y|_{\alpha}, s_{\beta}, \xi)^{p(y;a,b)},$$

for real  $q_{\alpha}$ ,  $s_{\beta}>0$  and  $\xi>0$ . The weight function p is defined by  $p(y;a,b)=F_{beta}((y-a)/(b-a)|c_1,c_2)$ , the distribution function of a beta random variable with shape parameters  $c_1>3,c_2>3$ . For continuity of G, we set  $a=G^{-1}(p_a|q_{\alpha},s_{\beta},\xi)$  and  $b=G^{-1}(p_b|q_{\alpha},s_{\beta},\xi)$  for small  $0< p_a< p_b<1$  and let  $\tilde{q}_{\alpha}=a-(b-a)(l_{\alpha}-l_{p_a})/(l_{p_a}-l_{p_b})$  and  $\tilde{s}_{\beta}=(b-a)(l_{\beta/2}-l_{1-\beta/2})/(l_{p_a}-l_{p_b})$ .

#### Value

pbGEV gives the distribution function; qbGEV gives the quantile function; rbGEV generates random deviates.

#### References

Castro-Camilo, D., Huser, R., and Rue, H. (2021), *Practical strategies for GEV-based regression models for extremes*, arXiv. (doi)

bGEV.NN

blended-GEV PINN

bGEV.NN.predict(X\_train\_q, X\_train\_s, model)

## **Description**

Build and train a partially-interpretable neural network for fitting a bGEV model

## Usage

```
bGEV.NN.train(Y_train, Y_valid = NULL, X_train_q, X_train_s, type = "MLP", link.loc = "identity", n.ep = 100, batch.size = 100, init.loc = NULL, init.spread = NULL, init.xi = NULL, widths = c(6, 3), filter.dim = c(3, 3), seed = NULL, init.wb_path = NULL, alpha = 0.5, beta = 0.5, p_a = 0.05, p_b = 0.2, c1 = 5, c2 = 5)
```

# Arguments

Y\_train, Y\_valid

a 2 or 3 dimensional array of training or validation real response values. Missing values can be handled by setting corresponding entries to Y\_train or Y\_valid to -1e5. The first dimension should be the observation indices, e.g., time.

If type=="CNN", then Y\_train and Y\_valid must have three dimensions with the latter two corresponding to an M by N regular grid of spatial locations. If Y\_valid==NULL, no validation loss will be computed and the returned model will be that which minimises the training loss over n.ep epochs.

X\_train\_q

list of arrays corresponding to complementary subsets of the  $d \ge 1$  predictors which are used for modelling the location parameter  $q_{\alpha}$ . Must contain at least one of the following three named entries:

X\_train\_lin\_q A 3 or 4 dimensional array of "linear" predictor values. One more dimension than Y\_train. If NULL, a model without the linear component is built and trained. The first 2/3 dimensions should be equal to that of Y\_train; the last dimension corresponds to the chosen  $l_1 \geq 0$  'linear' predictor values.

X\_train\_add\_basis\_q A 4 or 5 dimensional array of basis function evaluations for the "additive" predictor values. The first 2/3 dimensions should be equal to that of Y\_train; the penultimate dimensions corresponds to the chosen  $a_1 \geq 0$  'linear' predictor values and the last dimension is equal to the number of knots used for estimating the splines. See example. If NULL, a model without the additive component is built and trained.

X\_train\_nn\_q A 3 or 4 dimensional array of "non-additive" predictor values. If NULL, a model without the NN component is built and trained; if this is the case, then type has no effect. The first 2/3 dimensions should be equal to that of Y\_train; the last dimension corresponds to the chosen  $d-l_1-a_1 \geq 0$  'non-additive' predictor values.

Note that X\_train\_q and X\_train\_s are the predictors for both Y\_train and Y\_valid.

type

string defining the type of network to be built. If type=="MLP", the network will have all densely connected layers; if type=="CNN", the network will have all convolutional layers. Defaults to an MLP. (Currently the same network is used for all parameters, may change in future versions)

n.ep

number of epochs used for training. Defaults to 1000.

batch.size

batch size for stochastic gradient descent. If larger than dim(Y\_train)[1], i.e., the number of observations, then regular gradient descent used.

init.loc, init.spread, init.xi

sets the initial  $q_{\alpha}, s_{\beta}$  and  $\xi \in (0,1)$  estimates across all dimensions of Y\_train. Overridden by init.wb\_path if !is.null(init.wb\_path), but otherwise the initial parameters must be supplied.

widths

vector of widths/filters for hidden dense/convolution layers. Number of layers is equal to length(widths). Defaults to (6,3).

filter.dim

if type=="CNN", this 2-vector gives the dimensions of the convolution filter kernel; must have odd integer inputs. Note that filter.dim=c(1,1) is equivalent to type=="MLP". The same filter is applied for each hidden layer across all parameters with NN predictors.

seed

seed for random initial weights and biases.

init.wb\_path

filepath to a keras model which is then used as initial weights and biases for training the new model. The original model must have the exact same architecture and trained with the same input data as the new model. If NULL, then initial weights and biases are random (with seed seed) but the final layer has zero initial weights to ensure that the initial location, spread and shape estimates are init.loc,init.spread and init.xi, respectively, across all dimensions.

alpha, beta, p\_a, p\_b

hyper-parameters associated with the bGEV distribution. Defaults to those used by Castro-Camilo, D., et al. (2021). Require alpha  $\geq p_b$  and beta/2  $\geq p_b$ .

model

fitted keras model. Output from bGEVPP.NN.train.

X_train_S	similarly to X_train_s, but for modelling the scale parameter $s_{\beta} > 0$ . Note that
	both $q_{\beta}$ and $s_{\beta}$ must be modelled as non-stationary in this version.
loc.link	string defining the link function used for the location parameter, see $h_1$ below.
	If link=="exp", then $h_1 = \exp(x)$ ; if link=="identity", then $h_1(x) = x$ .

#### **Details**

Consider a real-valued random variable Y and let  $\mathbf{X}$  denote a d-dimensional predictor set with observations  $\mathbf{x}$ . For i=1,2, we define integers  $l_i \geq 0$ ,  $a_i \geq 0$  and  $0 \leq l_i + a_i \leq d$ , and let  $\mathbf{X}_L^{(i)}, \mathbf{X}_A^{(i)}$  and  $\mathbf{X}_N^{(i)}$  be distinct sub-vectors of  $\mathbf{X}$ , with observations of each component denoted  $\mathbf{x}_L^{(i)}, \mathbf{x}_A^{(i)}$  and  $\mathbf{x}_N^{(i)}$ , respectively; the lengths of the sub-vectors are  $l_i, a_i$  and  $d_i - l_i - a$ , respectively. For a fixed threshold  $u(\mathbf{x})$ , dependent on predictors, we model  $Y | \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x} \sim \text{bGEV}(q_\alpha(\mathbf{x}), s_\beta(\mathbf{x}), \xi)$  for  $\xi \in (0,1)$  with

$$q_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}) = h_1[\eta_0^{(1)} + m_L^{(1)}\{\mathbf{x}_L^{(1)}\} + m_A^{(1)}\{x_A^{(1)}\} + m_N^{(1)}\{\mathbf{x}_N^{(1)}\}]$$

and

$$s_{\beta}(\mathbf{x}) = \exp[\eta_0^{(2)} + m_L^{(2)} \{\mathbf{x}_L^{(2)}\} + m_A^{(2)} \{x_A^{(2)}\} + m_N^{(2)} \{\mathbf{x}_N^{(2)}\}]$$

where  $h_1$  is some link-function and  $\eta_0^{(1)}, \eta_0^{(2)}$  are constant intercepts. The unknown functions  $m_L^{(1)}, m_L^{(2)}$  and  $m_A^{(1)}, m_A^{(2)}$  are estimated using linear functions and splines, respectively, and are both returned as outputs by bGEV.NN.predict;  $m_N^{(1)}, m_N^{(2)}$  are estimated using neural networks (currently the same architecture is used for both parameters). Note that  $\xi>0$  is fixed across all predictors; this may change in future versions.

For details of the bGEV distribution, see help(pbGEV).

The model is fitted by minimising the negative log-likelihood associated with the bGEV model over n.ep training epochs. Although the model is trained by minimising the loss evaluated for Y\_train, the final returned model may minimise some other loss. The current state of the model is saved after each epoch, using keras::callback\_model\_checkpoint, if the value of some criterion subcedes that of the model from the previous checkpoint; this criterion is the loss evaluated for validation set Y\_valid if !is.null(Y\_valid) and for Y\_train, otherwise.

### Value

bGEV.NN. train returns the fitted model. bGEV.NN.predict is a wrapper for keras::predict that returns the predicted parameter estimates, and, if applicable, their corresponding linear regression coefficients and spline bases weights.

# References

Castro-Camilo, D., Huser, R., and Rue, H. (2021), *Practical strategies for GEV-based regression models for extremes*, arXiv. (doi)

## **Examples**

```
# Build and train a simple MLP for toy data

# Create predictors
preds<-rnorm(128000)

#Re-shape to a 4d array. First dimension corresponds to observations,
#last to the different components of the predictor set
dim(preds)=c(200,8,8,10) #We have ten predictors</pre>
```

```
#Split predictors into linear, additive and nn. Different for the location and scale parameters.
X_{\text{train\_nn\_q=preds[},,,1:5]} #Five nn predictors for q_{\text{alpha}}
X_{\text{train\_lin\_q=preds[,,,6:7]}} #Two linear predictors for q_{\text{alpha}}
X_train_add_q=preds[,,,8:10] #Three additive predictors for q_\alpha
X_{\text{train\_nn\_s=preds[,,,1:3]}} #Three nn predictors for s_\beta
X_train_lin_s=preds[,,,4:8] #Five linear predictors for s_\beta
X_train_add_s=preds[,,,9:10] #Two additive predictors for s_\beta
# Create toy response data
#Contribution to location parameter
#Linear contribution
m_L_1 = 0.3*X_{train_lin_q[,,,1]+0.6*X_{train_lin_q[,,,2]}
# Additive contribution
m_A_1 = 0.1*X_{train}_{add_q[,,,1]^3+0.2*X_{train}_{add_q[,,,1]-}
      0.1*X_{train}_{add_q[,,,2]^3+0.5*X_{train}_{add_q[,,,2]^2-0.2*X_{train}_{add_q[,,,3]^3}
#Non-additive contribution - to be estimated by NN
m_N_1 = \exp(-3+X_{train_nn_q[,,,2]}+X_{train_nn_q[,,,3]})+
      sin(X_{train\_nn\_q[,,,1]} - X_{train\_nn\_q[,,,2]}) * (X_{train\_nn\_q[,,,1]} + X_{train\_nn\_q[,,,2]}) - (X_{train\_nn\_q[,,,2]} + X_{train\_nn\_q[,,,2]}) - (X_{train\_nn\_q[,,,2]} + X_{train\_nn\_q[,,2]}) - (X_{train\_nn\_q[,,2]} + X_{train\_nn\_q[,2]} + X_{tra
      cos(X_{train\_nn\_q[,,,3]}-X_{train\_nn\_q[,,,4]})*(X_{train\_nn\_q[,,,2]}+X_{train\_nn\_q[,,,5]})
q_alpha=1+m_L_1+m_A_1+m_N_1 #Identity link
#Contribution to scale parameter
#Linear contribution
m_L_2 = 0.2*X_train_lin_s[,,,1]+0.6*X_train_lin_s[,,,2]+0.1*X_train_lin_s[,,,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,,,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,,,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,,,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,,,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,,,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,,,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin_s[,3]-1.2*X_train_lin
      0.2*X_train_lin_s[,,,4]+0.5*X_train_lin_s[,,,5]
# Additive contribution
m_A_2 = 0.1*X_{train_add_s[,,,1]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,,1]-0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,,2]^2+}
      0.1*X_train_add_s[,,,2]^3
#Non-additive contribution - to be estimated by NN
m_N_2 = 0.25*exp(-3+X_train_nn_s[,,,2]+X_train_nn_s[,,,3])+
sin(X_{train\_nn\_s[,,,1]}-X_{train\_nn\_s[,,,2]})*(X_{train\_nn\_s[,,,1]}+X_{train\_nn\_s[,,,2]})
s_beta=0.3*exp(-2+m_L_2+m_A_2+m_N_2) #Exponential link
xi=0.1 # Set xi
theta=array(dim=c(dim(s_beta),3))
 theta[,,,1]=q_alpha; theta[,,,2]=s_beta; theta[,,,3]=xi
#We simulate data from the bGEV distribution
Y=apply(theta,1:3,function(x) rbGEV(1,q_alpha=x[1],s_beta=x[2],xi=x[3]))
#Create training and validation, respectively.
#We mask 20% of the Y values and use this for validation
#Masked values must be set to -1e5 and are treated as missing whilst training
mask_inds=sample(1:length(Y),size=length(Y)*0.8)
```

```
Y_train<-Y_valid<-Y #Create training and validation, respectively.
Y_train[-mask_inds]=-1e5
Y_valid[mask_inds]=-1e5
#To build a model with an additive component, we require an array of evaluations of
#the basis functions for each pre-specified knot and entry to X_train_add_q and X_train_add_s
rad=function(x,c){ #Define a basis function. Here we use the radial bases
  out=abs(x-c)^2*log(abs(x-c))
  out[(x-c)==0]=0
 return(out)
}
n.knot.q = 5; n.knot.s = 4 # set number of knots.
#Must be the same for each additive predictor,
#but can differ between the parameters q_\alpha and s_\beta
#Get knots for q_\alpha predictors
knots.g=matrix(nrow=dim(X_train_add_g)[4],ncol=n.knot.g)
#We set knots to be equally-spaced marginal quantiles
for( i in 1:dim(X_train_add_q)[4]) knots.q[i,]=quantile(X_train_add_q[,,,i],probs=seq(0,1,length=n.knot.q))
#Evaluate radial basis functions for q_\alpha predictors
X_train_add_basis_q<-array(dim=c(dim(X_train_add_q),n.knot.q))</pre>
for( i in 1:dim(X_train_add_q)[4]) {
  for(k in 1:n.knot.q) {
    \label{eq:continuous_problem} $$X_{train\_add\_basis\_q[,,,i,k]= rad(x=X_{train\_add\_q[,,,i],c=knots.q[i,k])}$
    #Evaluate rad at all entries to X_train_add_q and for all knots
  }}
#Get knots for s_\beta predictors
knots.s=matrix(nrow=dim(X_train_add_s)[4],ncol=n.knot.s)
for( i in 1:dim(X_train_add_s)[4]) knots.s[i,]=quantile(X_train_add_s[,,,i],probs=seq(0,1,length=n.knot.s))
#Evaluate radial basis functions for s_\beta predictors
X_train_add_basis_s<-array(dim=c(dim(X_train_add_s),n.knot.s))</pre>
for( i in 1:dim(X_train_add_s)[4]) {
  for(k in 1:n.knot.s) {
    X_train_add_basis_s[,,,i,k] = rad(x=X_train_add_s[,,,i],c=knots.s[i,k])
    #Evaluate rad at all entries to X_train_add_q and for all knots
  }}
#lin+GAM+NN models defined for both location and scale parameters
X_train_q=list("X_train_nn_q"=X_train_nn_q, "X_train_lin_q"=X_train_lin_q,
               X_train_s=list("X_train_nn_s"=X_train_nn_s, "X_train_lin_s"=X_train_lin_s,
               "X_train_add_basis_s"=X_train_add_basis_s) #Predictors for s_\beta
#Fit the bGFV model
model<-bGEV.NN.train(Y_train, Y_valid,X_train_q,X_train_s, type="MLP",link.loc="identity",</pre>
                       n.ep=500, batch.size=50,init.loc=2, init.spread=2,init.xi=0.1,
                       widths=c(6,3), seed=1)
out<-bGEV.NN.predict(X_train_q=X_train_q, X_train_s=X_train_s, model)</pre>
```

```
print("q_alpha linear coefficients: "); print(round(out$lin.coeff_q,2))
print("s_beta linear coefficients: "); print(round(out$lin.coeff_s,2))
#To save model, run
#model %>% save_model_tf("model_bGEV")
#To load model, run
# model <- load_model_tf("model_bGEV",</pre>
#custom_objects=list("bgev_loss_alpha__beta__p_a__p_b__c1__c2_"=bgev_loss))
#Note that bGEV_loss() can take custom alpha, beta, p_a and p_b arguments if defaults not used
# Plot splines for the additive predictors
#Location predictors
n.add.preds_q=dim(X_train_add_q)[length(dim(X_train_add_q))]
par(mfrow=c(1,n.add.preds_q))
for(i in 1:n.add.preds_q){
 plt.x=seq(from=min(knots.q[i,]),to=max(knots.q[i,]),length=1000) #Create sequence for x-axis
  tmp=matrix(nrow=length(plt.x),ncol=n.knot.q)
  for(j in 1:n.knot.q){
   tmp[,j]=rad(plt.x,knots.q[i,j]) #Evaluate radial basis function of plt.x and all knots
  plt.y=tmp%*%out$gam.weights_q[i,]
 plot(plt.x,plt.y,type="1",main=paste0("q_alpha spline: predictor ",i),xlab="x",ylab="f(x)")
  points(knots.q[i,],rep(mean(plt.y),n.knot.q),col="red",pch=2)
  #Adds red triangles that denote knot locations
}
#Spread predictors
n.add.preds_s=dim(X_train_add_s)[length(dim(X_train_add_s))]
par(mfrow=c(1,n.add.preds_s))
for(i in 1:n.add.preds_s){
 plt.x=seq(from=min(knots.s[i,]),to=max(knots.s[i,]),length=1000) #Create sequence for x-axis
  tmp=matrix(nrow=length(plt.x),ncol=n.knot.s)
  for(j in 1:n.knot.s){
   tmp[,j]=rad(plt.x,knots.s[i,j]) #Evaluate radial basis function of plt.x and all knots
  plt.y=tmp%*%out$gam.weights_s[i,]
 plot(plt.x,plt.y,type="l",main=paste0("s_beta spline: predictor ",i),xlab="x",ylab="f(x)")
  points(knots.s[i,],rep(mean(plt.y),n.knot.s),col="red",pch=2)
  #Adds red triangles that denote knot locations
}
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bGEVPP.NN

blended-GEV point process PINN

## **Description**

Build and train a partially-interpretable neural network for fitting a bGEV point-process model

#### **Usage**

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bGEVPP.NN.train(Y_train, Y_valid = NULL, X_train_q, X_train_s,
  u_train = NULL, type = "MLP", link.loc = "identity", n.ep = 100,
  batch.size = 100, init.loc = NULL, init.spread = NULL,
  init.xi = NULL, widths = c(6, 3), filter.dim = c(3, 3), seed = NULL,
  init.wb_path = NULL, alpha = 0.5, beta = 0.5, p_a = 0.05,
  p_b = 0.2, c1 = 5, c2 = 5, n_b = 1)
bGEVPP.NN.predict(X_train_q, X_train_s, u_train, model)
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#### **Arguments**

Y\_train, Y\_valid

a 2 or 3 dimensional array of training or validation real response values. Missing values can be handled by setting corresponding entries to Y\_train or Y\_valid to -1e5. The first dimension should be the observation indices, e.g., time.

If type=="CNN", then Y\_train and Y\_valid must have three dimensions with the latter two corresponding to an M by N regular grid of spatial locations. If Y\_valid==NULL, no validation loss will be computed and the returned model will be that which minimises the training loss over n.ep epochs.

X\_train\_q

list of arrays corresponding to complementary subsets of the  $d \geq 1$  predictors which are used for modelling the location parameter  $q_{\alpha}$ . Must contain at least one of the following three named entries:

- X\_train\_lin\_q A 3 or 4 dimensional array of "linear" predictor values. One more dimension than Y\_train. If NULL, a model without the linear component is built and trained. The first 2/3 dimensions should be equal to that of Y\_train; the last dimension corresponds to the chosen  $l_1 \geq 0$  'linear' predictor values.
- X\_train\_add\_basis\_q A 4 or 5 dimensional array of basis function evaluations for the "additive" predictor values. The first 2/3 dimensions should be equal to that of Y\_train; the penultimate dimensions corresponds to the chosen  $a_1 \geq 0$  'linear' predictor values and the last dimension is equal to the number of knots used for estimating the splines. See example. If NULL, a model without the additive component is built and trained.
- X\_train\_nn\_q A 3 or 4 dimensional array of "non-additive" predictor values. If NULL, a model without the NN component is built and trained; if this is the case, then type has no effect. The first 2/3 dimensions should be equal to that of Y\_train; the last dimension corresponds to the chosen  $d-l_1-a_1 \geq 0$  'non-additive' predictor values.

Note that  $X_{\text{train}_q}$  and  $X_{\text{train}_s}$  are the predictors for both  $Y_{\text{train}}$  and  $Y_{\text{valid}}$ .

u\_train

an array with the same dimension as Y\_train. Gives the threshold above which the bGEV-PP model is fitted, see below. Note that u\_train is applied to both Y\_train and Y\_valid.

type

string defining the type of network to be built. If type=="MLP", the network will have all densely connected layers; if type=="CNN", the network will have all convolutional layers. Defaults to an MLP. (Currently the same network is used for all parameters, may change in future versions)

n.ep

number of epochs used for training. Defaults to 1000.

batch.size batch size for stochastic gradient descent. If larger than dim(Y\_train)[1], i.e., the number of observations, then regular gradient descent used.

init.loc, init.spread, init.xi

filter.dim

sets the initial  $q_{\alpha}, s_{\beta}$  and  $\xi \in (0,1)$  estimates across all dimensions of Y\_train. Overridden by init.wb\_path if !is.null(init.wb\_path), but otherwise the initial parameters must be supplied.

widths vector of widths/filters for hidden dense/convolution layers. Number of layers is equal to length(widths). Defaults to (6,3).

if type=="CNN", this 2-vector gives the dimensions of the convolution filter kernel; must have odd integer inputs. Note that filter.dim=c(1,1) is equivalent to type=="MLP". The same filter is applied for each hidden layer across all parameters with NN predictors.

seed seed for random initial weights and biases.

init.wb\_path filepath to a keras model which is then used as initial weights and biases for training the new model. The original model must have the exact same architecture and trained with the same input data as the new model. If NULL, then initial weights and biases are random (with seed seed) but the final layer has zero initial weights to ensure that the initial location, spread and shape estimates are init.loc,init.spread and init.xi, respectively, across all dimensions.

alpha, beta, p\_a, p\_b, c1, c2

hyper-parameters associated with the bGEV distribution. Defaults to those used by Castro-Camilo, D., et al. (2021). Require alpha  $\geq p_b$  and beta/2  $\geq p_b$ .

n\_b number of observations per block, e.g., if observations correspond to months and the interest is annual maxima, then n\_b=12.

model fitted keras model. Output from bGEVPP.NN.train.

X\_train\_S similarly to X\_train\_s, but for modelling the scale parameter  $s_{\beta} > 0$ . Note that both  $q_{\beta}$  and  $s_{\beta}$  must be modelled as non-stationary in this version.

loc.link string defining the link function used for the location parameter, see  $h_1$  below. If link=="exp", then  $h_1 = \exp(x)$ ; if link=="identity", then  $h_1(x) = x$ .

## **Details**

Consider a real-valued random variable Y and let  $\mathbf{X}$  denote a d-dimensional predictor set with observations  $\mathbf{x}$ . For i=1,2, we define integers  $l_i \geq 0$ ,  $a_i \geq 0$  and  $0 \leq l_i + a_i \leq d$ , and let  $\mathbf{X}_L^{(i)}, \mathbf{X}_A^{(i)}$  and  $\mathbf{X}_N^{(i)}$  be distinct sub-vectors of  $\mathbf{X}$ , with observations of each component denoted  $\mathbf{x}_L^{(i)}, \mathbf{x}_A^{(i)}$  and  $\mathbf{x}_N^{(i)}$ , respectively; the lengths of the sub-vectors are  $l_i$ ,  $a_i$  and  $d_i - l_i - a$ , respectively. For a fixed threshold  $u(\mathbf{x})$ , dependent on predictors, we model  $Y|\mathbf{X}=\mathbf{x}\sim \text{bGEV-PP}(q_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}),s_{\beta}(\mathbf{x}),\xi;u(\mathbf{x}))$  for  $\xi\in(0,1)$  with

$$q_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}) = h_1[\eta_0^{(1)} + m_L^{(1)}\{\mathbf{x}_L^{(1)}\} + m_A^{(1)}\{x_A^{(1)}\} + m_N^{(1)}\{\mathbf{x}_N^{(1)}\}]$$

and

$$s_{\beta}(\mathbf{x}) = \exp[\eta_0^{(2)} + m_L^{(2)} \{\mathbf{x}_L^{(2)}\} + m_A^{(2)} \{x_A^{(2)}\} + m_N^{(2)} \{\mathbf{x}_N^{(2)}\}]$$

where  $h_1$  is some link-function and  $\eta_0^{(1)}, \eta_0^{(2)}$  are constant intercepts. The unknown functions  $m_L^{(1)}, m_L^{(2)}$  and  $m_A^{(1)}, m_A^{(2)}$  are estimated using linear functions and splines, respectively, and are both returned as outputs by bGEVPP.NN.predict;  $m_N^{(1)}, m_N^{(2)}$  are estimated using neural networks (currently the same architecture is used for both parameters). Note that  $\xi>0$  is fixed across all predictors; this may change in future versions.

Note that for sufficiently large u that  $Y \sim \text{bGEV-PP}(q_{\alpha}, s_{\beta}, \xi; u)$  implies that  $\max_{i=1,\dots,n_b} \{Y_i\} \sim \text{bGEV}(q_{\alpha}, s_{\beta}, \xi)$ , i.e., the  $n_b$ -block maxima of independent realisations of Y follow a bGEV distribution (see help(pbGEV)). The size of the block can be specified by the parameter n\_b.

The model is fitted by minimising the negative log-likelihood associated with the bGEV-PP model over n.ep training epochs. Although the model is trained by minimising the loss evaluated for Y\_train, the final returned model may minimise some other loss. The current state of the model is saved after each epoch, using keras::callback\_model\_checkpoint, if the value of some criterion subcedes that of the model from the previous checkpoint; this criterion is the loss evaluated for validation set Y\_valid if !is.null(Y\_valid) and for Y\_train, otherwise.

#### Value

bGEVPP.NN. train returns the fitted model. bGEVPP.NN.predict is a wrapper for keras::predict that returns the predicted parameter estimates, and, if applicable, their corresponding linear regression coefficients and spline bases weights.

#### References

Castro-Camilo, D., Huser, R., and Rue, H. (2021), *Practical strategies for GEV-based regression models for extremes*, arXiv. (doi)

Richards, J. and Huser, R. (2022), *High-dimensional extreme quantile regression using partially-interpretable neural networks: With application to U.S. wildfires.* 

### **Examples**

```
# Build and train a simple MLP for toy data
# Create predictors
preds<-rnorm(128000)</pre>
#Re-shape to a 4d array. First dimension corresponds to observations,
#last to the different components of the predictor set
dim(preds)=c(200,8,8,10) #We have ten predictors
#Split predictors into linear, additive and nn. Different for the location and scale parameters.
X_train_nn_q=preds[,,,1:5] #Five nn predictors for q_\alpha
\label{lin_q=preds[,,,6:7] #Two linear predictors for q_\alpha} $$X_{train_lin_q=preds[,,,6:7]} $$ #Two linear predictors for q_\alpha $$
X_{\text{train\_add\_q=preds[,,,8:10]}} #Three additive predictors for q_\alpha
X_{\text{train\_nn\_s=preds[,,,1:3]}} #Three nn predictors for s_\beta
X_train_lin_s=preds[,,,4:8] #Five linear predictors for s_\beta
X_{\text{train\_add\_s=preds[,,,,9:10]}} #Two additive predictors for s_\beta
# Create toy response data
#Contribution to location parameter
#Linear contribution
m_L_1 = 0.3*X_{train_lin_q[,,,1]+0.6*X_{train_lin_q[,,,2]}
# Additive contribution
m_A_1 = 0.1*X_{train}_{add_q[,,,1]^3+0.2*X_{train}_{add_q[,,,1]-}
  0.1*X_{train}_{add_q[,,,2]^3+0.5*X_{train}_{add_q[,,,2]^2-0.2*X_{train}_{add_q[,,,3]^3}
\#Non-additive contribution - to be estimated by NN
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m_N_1 = \exp(-3+X_{\min_nn_q[,,,2]}+X_{\min_nn_q[,,,3]})+
      sin(X_{train_nn_q[,,,1]}-X_{train_nn_q[,,,2]})*(X_{train_nn_q[,,,1]}+X_{train_nn_q[,,,2]})-
      cos(X_{train_nn_q[,,,3]}-X_{train_nn_q[,,,4]})*(X_{train_nn_q[,,,2]}+X_{train_nn_q[,,,5]})
q_alpha=1+m_L_1+m_A_1+m_N_1 #Identity link
#Contribution to scale parameter
#Linear contribution
m_L_2 = 0.2*X_{train_lin_s[,,,1]+0.6*X_{train_lin_s[,,,2]+0.1*X_{train_lin_s[,,,3]-1}}
      0.2*X_train_lin_s[,,,4]+0.5*X_train_lin_s[,,,5]
# Additive contribution
m_A_2 = 0.1*X_{train_add_s[,,,1]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,,1]-0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,,2]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,,2]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,,1]-0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,,2]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,,1]-0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,,1]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,,1]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,,1]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,,1]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,,1]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,,1]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,,1]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,,1]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,,1]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,,1]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,,1]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,,1]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_add_s[,]^2+0.2*X_{train_
      0.1*X_train_add_s[,,,2]^3
#Non-additive contribution - to be estimated by NN
m_N_2 = \exp(-3+X_{\min_n}, 2]+X_{\min_n})+
      sin(X_{train_nn_s[,,,1]}-X_{train_nn_s[,,,2]})*(X_{train_nn_s[,,,1]}+X_{train_nn_s[,,,2]})
s_beta=0.5*exp(-2+m_L_2+m_A_2+m_N_2) #Exponential link
xi=0.1 # Set xi
theta=array(dim=c(dim(s_beta),3))
theta[,,,1]=q_alpha; theta[,,,2]=s_beta; theta[,,,3]=xi
#We simulate data from the extreme value point process model with u take as the 80% quantile
 u < -apply(theta, 1:3, function(x) \ qPP(prob=0.8, loc=x[1], scale=x[2], xi=x[3], re.par = T)) \ \#Gives \ the \ 80\% \ quantile \ 
Y=apply(theta,1:3,function(x) rPP(1,u.prob=0.8,loc=x[1],scale=x[2],xi=x[3],re.par=T)) #Simulate from re-para
# Note that the point process model is only valid for Y > u. If Y < u, then rPP gives NA.
# We can set NA values to some c < u as these do not contribute to model fitting.
Y[is.na(Y)]=u[is.na(Y)]-1
#Create training and validation, respectively.
\#We mask 20\% of the Y values and use this for validation
\#Masked values must be set to -1e5 and are treated as missing whilst training
mask_inds=sample(1:length(Y), size=length(Y)*0.8)
Y_train<-Y_valid<-Y #Create training and validation, respectively.
Y_train[-mask_inds]=-1e5
Y_valid[mask_inds]=-1e5
#To build a model with an additive component, we require an array of evaluations of
#the basis functions for each pre-specified knot and entry to X_train_add_q and X_train_add_s
rad=function(x,c){ #Define a basis function. Here we use the radial bases
      out=abs(x-c)^2*log(abs(x-c))
     out[(x-c)==0]=0
   return(out)
}
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n.knot.q = 5; n.knot.s = 4 # set number of knots.
#Must be the same for each additive predictor,
#but can differ between the parameters q_\alpha and s_\beta
#Get knots for q_\alpha predictors
knots.q=matrix(nrow=dim(X_train_add_q)[4],ncol=n.knot.q)
#We set knots to be equally-spaced marginal quantiles
for(\ i\ in\ 1:dim(X\_train\_add\_q)[4])\ knots.q[i,]=quantile(X\_train\_add\_q[,,,i],probs=seq(\emptyset,1,length=n.knot.q))
#Evaluate radial basis functions for q_\alpha predictors
X_train_add_basis_q<-array(dim=c(dim(X_train_add_q),n.knot.q))</pre>
for( i in 1:dim(X_train_add_q)[4]) {
  for(k in 1:n.knot.q) {
    X_train_add_basis_q[,,,i,k] = rad(x=X_train_add_q[,,,i],c=knots.q[i,k])
    #Evaluate rad at all entries to X_train_add_q and for all knots
  }}
#Get knots for s_\beta predictors
knots.s=matrix(nrow=dim(X_train_add_s)[4],ncol=n.knot.s)
for( i in 1:dim(X_train_add_s)[4]) knots.s[i,]=quantile(X_train_add_s[,,,i],probs=seq(0,1,length=n.knot.s))
#Evaluate radial basis functions for s_\beta predictors
X_train_add_basis_s<-array(dim=c(dim(X_train_add_s),n.knot.s))</pre>
for( i in 1:dim(X_train_add_s)[4]) {
  for(k in 1:n.knot.s) {
    X_train_add_basis_s[,,,i,k] = rad(x=X_train_add_s[,,,i],c=knots.s[i,k])
    #Evaluate rad at all entries to X_train_add_q and for all knots
  }}
#lin+GAM+NN models defined for both location and scale parameters
X_train_q=list("X_train_nn_q"=X_train_nn_q, "X_train_lin_q"=X_train_lin_q,
                "X_train_add_basis_q"=X_train_add_basis_q) #Predictors for q_\alpha
X_train_s=list("X_train_nn_s"=X_train_nn_s, "X_train_lin_s"=X_train_lin_s,
               "X_train_add_basis_s"=X_train_add_basis_s) #Predictors for s_\beta
#We treat u as fixed and known. In an application, u can be estimated using quant.NN.train.
u train <- u
#Fit the bGEV-PP model using u_train
model<-bGEVPP.NN.train(Y_train, Y_valid,X_train_g,X_train_s, u_train, type="MLP",link.loc="identity",</pre>
                       n.ep=500, batch.size=50,init.loc=2, init.spread=2,init.xi=0.1,
                       widths=c(6,3), seed=1, n_b=12)
out<-bGEVPP.NN.predict(X_train_q=X_train_q,X_train_s=X_train_s,u_train=u_train,model)</pre>
print("q_alpha linear coefficients: "); print(round(out$lin.coeff_q,2))
print("s_beta linear coefficients: "); print(round(out$lin.coeff_s,2))
#To save model, run
#model %>% save_model_tf("model_bGEVPP")
#To load model, run
# model <- load_model_tf("model_bGEVPP",</pre>
#custom_objects=list("bgev_PP_loss_alpha__beta__p_a__p_b_"=bgev_PP_loss(n_b=12)))
#Note that bGEV_PP_loss() can take custom alpha, beta, p_a, p_b, c1 and c2 arguments if defaults not used.
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# Plot splines for the additive predictors
#Location predictors
n.add.preds_q=dim(X_train_add_q)[length(dim(X_train_add_q))]
par(mfrow=c(1,n.add.preds_q))
for(i in 1:n.add.preds_q){
 plt.x=seq(from=min(knots.q[i,]),to=max(knots.q[i,]),length=1000) #Create sequence for x-axis
  tmp=matrix(nrow=length(plt.x),ncol=n.knot.q)
  for(j in 1:n.knot.q){
   tmp[,j]=rad(plt.x,knots.q[i,j]) #Evaluate radial basis function of plt.x and all knots
  plt.y=tmp%*%out$gam.weights_q[i,]
 plot(plt.x,plt.y,type="1",main=paste0("q_alpha spline: predictor ",i),xlab="x",ylab="f(x)")
 points(knots.q[i,],rep(mean(plt.y),n.knot.q),col="red",pch=2)
  #Adds red triangles that denote knot locations
}
#Spread predictors
n.add.preds_s=dim(X_train_add_s)[length(dim(X_train_add_s))]
par(mfrow=c(1,n.add.preds_s))
for(i in 1:n.add.preds_s){
 tmp=matrix(nrow=length(plt.x),ncol=n.knot.s)
  for(j in 1:n.knot.s){
   tmp[,j]=rad(plt.x,knots.s[i,j]) #Evaluate radial basis function of plt.x and all knots
 plt.y=tmp%*%out$gam.weights_s[i,]
 plot(plt.x,plt.y,type="1",main=paste0("s_beta spline: predictor ",i),xlab="x",ylab="f(x)")
  points(knots.s[i,],rep(mean(plt.y),n.knot.s),col="red",pch=2)
  #Adds red triangles that denote knot locations
}
```

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The extreme value point process

# **Description**

Quantile function and random generation for the extreme value point process with location equal to loc, scale equal to scale and shape equal to  $xi \ge 0$ . Note that unlike similar functions in package stats, these functions accept only scalar inputs, rather than vectors, for the parameters.

# Usage

```
qPP(prob, loc, scale, xi, n_b = 1, re.par = F, alpha = 0.5, beta = 0.5,
  tol = 1e-04, qMax = 10000)

rPP(n, u.prob, loc, scale, xi, n_b = 1, re.par = F, alpha = 0.5,
  beta = 0.5, tol = 1e-04, qMax = 10000)
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## **Arguments**

prob	scalar probability.
loc	location parameter. If re.par==FALSE, then loc corresponds to $\mu;$ otherwise, loc corresponds to $q_\alpha.$
scale	scale parameter. If re.par==FALSE, then scale corresponds to $\sigma;$ otherwise, scale corresponds to $s_{\beta}.$
xi	shape parameter. Require xi >= 0.
n_b	number of observations per block, e.g., if observations correspond to months and the interest is annual maxima, then n_b=12. See details.
re.par	logical; if TRUE, then the corresponding $\ensuremath{GEV}$ used the alternative parameterisation.
alpha, beta	hyper-parameters for the reparameterisation, see details. Defaults set both to 0.5. Only used if re.par==TRUE.
tol	tolerance for the numerical solver. Defaults to 1e-4.
qMax	finite upper and lower bounds used by the numerical solver. If the absolute value of the output from qPP or maximum output from rPP is close to qMax, then qMax needs increasing at the cost of computation time. Defaults to 1e4.
n	number of replications.
u.prob	exceedance probability for threshold $u$ .

## **Details**

Following Coles (2001), consider a sequence of independent random variables  $Y_1, \ldots, Y_n$  with common distribution function F. For  $n_b$ -block-maxima  $M_{n_b} = \max\{Y_1, \ldots, Y_{n_b}\}$ ; if there exists sequences  $\{a_n > 0\}$  and  $\{b_n\}$  such that

$$\Pr\{(M_{n_b} - b_n)/a_n \le z\} \to G(z) \text{ as } n_b \to \infty,$$

for non-degenerate G, then G is the generalised extreme value  $\text{GEV}(\mu, \sigma, \xi)$  distribution function, see help{pbGEV}. If  $\xi > 0$ , then G has finite lower-endpoint  $z_- = \mu - \sigma/\xi$ ; if  $\xi = 0$ , then the lower-endpoint is infinite.

Assume that the above limit holds and  $\xi \geq 0$ . Then for any  $u > z_-$ , the sequence of point processes  $N_n = \{(i/(n+1), (Y_i - b_n)/a_n) : i = 1, \dots, n\}$  converges on regions  $(0,1) \times (u,\infty)$  as  $n \to \infty$  to a Poisson point process with intensity measure  $\Lambda$  of the form  $\Lambda(A) = -(n/n_b)(t_2 - t_1)\log G(z)$ , where  $A = [t_1, t_2] \times [z, \infty)$  for  $0 \leq t_1 \leq t_2 \leq 1$ . We consider unit inter-arrival times and so set  $t_2 - t_1 = 1$ . Here the functions qPP and rPP give the quantile function and random generation of Y assuming that the Poisson process limit holds for Y above u. The threshold u is taken to be the upprob quantile of Y.

Castro-Camilo et al. (2021) propose a reparameterisation of the GEV distribution in terms of a location parameter  $q_{\alpha}$  for  $\alpha \in (0,1)$ , denoting the GEV  $\alpha$ -quantile, and a spread parameter  $s_{\beta}=q_{1-\beta/2}-q_{\beta/2}$  for  $\beta \in (0,1)$ ; for the full mapping, see help{pbGEV}. If re.par==TRUE, then the input loc and scale correspond to  $q_{\alpha}$  and  $s_{\beta}$ , rather than  $\mu$  and  $\sigma$ .

Distribution function inversion is performed numerically using the bisection method.

## Value

qPP gives the quantile function and rPP generates n random deviates. Any simulated values subceding the threshold u are treated as censored and set to NA.

#### References

Coles, S. G. (2001), An Introduction to Statistical Modeling of Extreme Values. Volume 208, Springer. (doi)

Castro-Camilo, D., Huser, R., and Rue, H. (2021), *Practical strategies for GEV-based regression models for extremes*, arXiv. (doi)

#### **Examples**

```
set.seed(1)
loc<-3; scale<-4; xi<-0.2 #Parameter values

u<-qPP(prob=0.9,loc,scale,xi) #Gives the 90% quantile of Y

#Create 1000 realisations of Y with exceedance threshold equal to u.
#Note that the input to rPP is the exceedance probability u.prob, not the threshold itself Y<-rPP(1000,u.prob=0.9,loc,scale,xi)
hist(Y)
#Note that values Y<u are censored and set to NA</pre>
```

GPD.NN

GPD PINN

# Description

Build and train a partially-interpretable neural network for fitting a GPD model

## Usage

```
GPD.NN.train(Y_train, Y_valid = NULL, X_train, u_train = NULL,
  type = "MLP", link = "identity", tau = NULL, n.ep = 100,
  batch.size = 100, init.scale = NULL, init.xi = NULL, widths = c(6,
  3), filter.dim = c(3, 3), seed = NULL, init.wb_path = NULL)
GPD.NN.predict(X_train, u_train, model)
```

## **Arguments**

```
Y_train, Y_valid
```

a 2 or 3 dimensional array of training or validation real response values. Missing values can be handled by setting corresponding entries to Y\_train or Y\_valid to -1e5. The first dimension should be the observation indices, e.g., time.

If type=="CNN", then Y\_train and Y\_valid must have three dimensions with the latter two corresponding to an M by N regular grid of spatial locations. If Y\_valid==NULL, no validation loss will be computed and the returned model will be that which minimises the training loss over n.ep epochs.

u\_train an array with the same dimension as Y\_train. Gives the threshold used to

Y\_train and Y\_valid.

type string defining the type of network to be built. If type=="MLP", the network will

have all densely connected layers; if type=="CNN", the network will have all convolutional layers. Defaults to an MLP. (Currently the same network is used

create exceedances of Y\_train, see below. Note that u\_train is applied to both

for all parameters, may change in future versions)

n.ep number of epochs used for training. Defaults to 1000.

batch.size batch size for stochastic gradient descent. If larger than dim(Y\_train)[1], i.e.,

the number of observations, then regular gradient descent used.

init.scale, init.xi

sets the initial sigma and  $\xi \in (0,1)$  estimates across all dimensions of Y\_train. Overridden by init.wb\_path if !is.null(init.wb\_path), but otherwise the

initial parameters must be supplied.

widths vector of widths/filters for hidden dense/convolution layers. Number of layers

is equal to length(widths). Defaults to (6,3).

filter.dim if type=="CNN", this 2-vector gives the dimensions of the convolution filter ker-

nel; must have odd integer inputs. Note that filter.dim=c(1,1) is equivalent to type=="MLP". The same filter is applied for each hidden layer across all param-

eters with NN predictors.

seed seed for random initial weights and biases.

init.wb\_path filepath to a keras model which is then used as initial weights and biases for

training the new model. The original model must have the exact same architecture and trained with the same input data as the new model. If NULL, then initial weights and biases are random (with seed seed) but the final layer has zero initial weights to ensure that the initial scale and shape estimates are init.scale

and init.xi, respectively, across all dimensions.

model fitted keras model. Output from GPD.NN.train.

X\_train\_q list of arrays corresponding to complementary subsets of the  $d \ge 1$  predictors which are used for modelling the location parameter  $q_{\alpha}$ . Must contain at least

one of the following three named entries:

X\_train\_lin A 3 or 4 dimensional array of "linear" predictor values. One more dimension then Y\_train. If NULL, a model without the linear component is built and trained. The first 2/3 dimensions should be equal to that of Y\_train; the last dimension corresponds to the chosen  $l \geq 0$  'linear'

predictor values.

X\_train\_add\_basis A 4 or 5 dimensional array of basis function evaluations for the "additive" predictor values. The first 2/3 dimensions should be equal to that of Y\_train; the penultimate dimensions corresponds to the chosen  $a \geq 0$  'linear' predictor values and the last dimension is equal to the number of knots used for estimating the splines. See example. If NULL, a model

without the additive component is built and trained.

X\_train\_nn A 3 or 4 dimensional array of "non-additive" predictor values. If NULL, a model without the NN component is built and trained; if this is the case, then type has no effect. The first 2/3 dimensions should be equal to that of Y\_train; the last dimension corresponds to the chosen  $d-l-a\geq 0$ 

'non-additive' predictor values.

Note that X\_train is the predictors for both Y\_train and Y\_valid.

#### **Details**

Consider a real-valued random variable Y and let  $\mathbf{X}$  denote a d-dimensional predictor set with observations  $\mathbf{x}$ . For integers  $l \geq 0$ ,  $a \geq 0$  and  $0 \leq l + a \leq d$ , let  $\mathbf{X}_L, \mathbf{X}_A$  and  $\mathbf{X}_N$  be distinct sub-vectors of  $\mathbf{X}$ , with observations of each component denoted  $\mathbf{x}_L, \mathbf{x}_A$  and  $\mathbf{x}_N$ , respectively; the lengths of the sub-vectors are l, a and d - l - a, respectively. For a fixed threshold  $u(\mathbf{x})$ , dependent on predictors, we model  $(Y - u(\mathbf{x}))|\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x} \sim \text{GPD}(\sigma(\mathbf{X})), \xi; u(\mathbf{x}))$  for  $\xi \in (0, 1)$  with

$$\sigma(\mathbf{x}) = \exp[\eta_0 + m_L\{\mathbf{x}_L\} + m_A\{x_A\} + m_N\{\mathbf{x}_N\}]$$

where  $\eta_0$  is a constant intercept. The unknown functions  $m_L$  and  $m_A$  are estimated using linear functions and splines, respectively, and are both returned as outputs by GPD.NN.predict;  $m_N$  is estimated using a neural network (currently the same architecture is used for both parameters). Note that  $\xi>0$  is fixed across all predictors; this may change in future versions.

The model is fitted by minimising the negative log-likelihood associated with the GPD model over n.ep training epochs. Although the model is trained by minimising the loss evaluated for Y\_train, the final returned model may minimise some other loss. The current state of the model is saved after each epoch, using keras::callback\_model\_checkpoint, if the value of some criterion subcedes that of the model from the previous checkpoint; this criterion is the loss evaluated for validation set Y\_valid if !is.null(Y\_valid) and for Y\_train, otherwise.

#### Value

bGEVPP.NN.train returns the fitted model. bGEVPP.NN.predict is a wrapper for keras::predict that returns the predicted parameter estimates, and, if applicable, their corresponding linear regression coefficients and spline bases weights.

#### References

Coles, S. (2001), An Introduction to Statistical Modeling of Extreme Values, Springer Series in Statistics. (doi)

## **Examples**

```
#Apply model to toy data
# Create predictors
preds<-rnorm(128000)

#Re-shape to a 4d array. First dimension corresponds to observations,
#last to the different components of the predictor set
dim(preds)=c(200,8,8,10) #We have ten predictors

#Split predictors into linear, additive and nn.

X_train_nn=preds[,,,1:5] #Five nn predictors

X_train_lin=preds[,,,6:8] #Three linear predictors

X_train_add=preds[,,,9:10] #Two additive predictors

# Create response data

#Contribution to scale parameter

#Linear contribution

m_L = 0.5*X_train_lin[,,,1]+0.3*X_train_lin[,,,2]-0.4*X_train_lin[,,,3]</pre>
```

```
# Additive contribution
m_A = 0.2*X_{train} = 0.2*X_{train} = 0.2*X_{train} = 0.1*X_{train} = 0.1*X_
    0.01*X_train_add[,,,2]^3
\# Non-additive\ contribution\ -\ to\ be\ estimated\ by\ NN
m_N = 0.5*(exp(-4+X_train_nn[,,,2]+X_train_nn[,,,3])+
                        sin(X_{train_nn[,,,1]}-X_{train_nn[,,,2]})*(X_{train_nn[,,,1]}+X_{train_nn[,,,2]})-
                       cos(X\_train\_nn[,,,3]-X\_train\_nn[,,,4])*(X\_train\_nn[,,,2]+X\_train\_nn[,,,5]))
sigma=1+4*exp(-3+m_L+m_A+m_N) #Exponential link
xi=0.1 # Set xi
#We simulate data as exceedances above some random positive threshold u.
u<-apply(sigma,1:3,function(x) rgpd(n=1,loc=0,scale=1,shape=0.1) ) #Random threshold
theta=array(dim=c(dim(sigma),3))
theta[,,,1]=sigma; theta[,,,2] =xi; theta[,,,3] =u
#If u were the true 80% quantile, say, of the response, then only 20% of the data should exceed u.
#We achieve this by simulating a Bernoulli variable to determine if Y exceeds u
Y=apply(theta,1:3,function(x){
    if(rbinom(1,1,0.8)=1) rgpd(n=1,loc=x[3],scale=x[1],shape=x[2]) else runif(1,0,x[3])
) #Simulate GPD exceedances above u as given above
#Create training and validation, respectively.
#We mask 20% of the Y values and use this for validation
#Masked values must be set to -1e5 and are treated as missing whilst training
mask_inds=sample(1:length(Y),size=length(Y)*0.8)
Y_train<-Y_valid<-Y #Create training and validation, respectively.
Y_train[-mask_inds]=-1e5
Y_valid[mask_inds]=-1e5
#To build a model with an additive component, we require an array of evaluations of
#the basis functions for each pre-specified knot and entry to X_train_add_q and X_train_add_s
rad=function(x,c){ #Define a basis function. Here we use the radial bases
    out=abs(x-c)^2*log(abs(x-c))
    out[(x-c)==0]=0
    return(out)
}
n.knot = 5 # set number of knots. Must be the same for each additive predictor
knots=matrix(nrow=dim(X_train_add)[4],ncol=n.knot)
#We set knots to be equally-spaced marginal quantiles
for( i in 1:dim(X_train_add)[4]) knots[i,]=quantile(X_train_add[,,,i],probs=seq(0,1,length=n.knot))
X_train_add_basis<-array(dim=c(dim(X_train_add),n.knot))</pre>
for( i in 1:dim(X_train_add)[4]) {
```

```
for(k in 1:n.knot) {
    X_train_add_basis[,,,i,k]= rad(x=X_train_add[,,,i],c=knots[i,k])
    #Evaluate rad at all entries to X_train_add and for all knots
  }}
#lin+GAM+NN models defined for scale parameter
X_train=list("X_train_nn"=X_train_nn, "X_train_lin"=X_train_lin,
             "X_train_add_basis"=X_train_add_basis)
#We treat u as fixed and known. In an application, u can be estimated using quant.NN.train.
u_train <- u
#Fit the bGEV-PP model using u_train
model<-GPD.NN.train(Y_train, Y_valid,X_train, u_train, type="MLP",</pre>
                    n.ep=500, batch.size=50,init.scale=1, init.xi=0.1,
                    widths=c(6,3), seed=1)
out<-GPD.NN.predict(X_train=X_train,u_train=u_train,model)</pre>
print("sigma linear coefficients: "); print(round(out$lin.coeff_sigma,2))
#To save model, run
#model %>% save_model_tf("model_GPD")
To load model, run
#model <- load_model_tf("model_GPD",</pre>
#custom_objects=list("GPD_loss"=GPD_loss))
# Plot splines for the additive predictors
n.add.preds=dim(X_train_add)[length(dim(X_train_add))]
par(mfrow=c(1,n.add.preds))
for(i in 1:n.add.preds){
 plt.x=seq(from=min(knots[i,]),to=max(knots[i,]),length=1000) #Create sequence for x-axis
  tmp=matrix(nrow=length(plt.x),ncol=n.knot)
  for(j in 1:n.knot){
    tmp[,j]=rad(plt.x,knots[i,j]) #Evaluate radial basis function of plt.x and all knots
  plt.y=tmp%*%out$gam.weights_sigma[i,]
 plot(plt.x,plt.y,type="l",main=paste0("sigma spline: predictor ",i),xlab="x",ylab="f(x)")
  points(knots[i,],rep(mean(plt.y),n.knot),col="red",pch=2)
  #Adds red triangles that denote knot locations
}
```

logistic.NN

Logistic regression PINN

## Description

Build and train a partially-interpretable neural network for a logistic regression model

#### **Usage**

```
logistic.NN.train(Y_train, Y_valid = NULL, X_train, type = "MLP",
    n.ep = 100, batch.size = 100, init.p = NULL, widths = c(6, 3),
    filter.dim = c(3, 3), seed = NULL, init.wb_path = NULL)
logistic.NN.predict(X_train, model)
```

## **Arguments**

Y\_train, Y\_valid

a 2 or 3 dimensional array of training or validation response values, with entries of 0/1 for failure/success. Missing values can be handled by setting corresponding entries to Y\_train or Y\_valid to -1e5. The first dimension should be the observation indices, e.g., time.

If type=="CNN", then Y\_train and Y\_valid must have three dimensions with the latter two corresponding to an M by N regular grid of spatial locations. If Y\_valid==NULL, no validation loss will be computed and the returned model will be that which minimises the training loss over n.ep epochs.

 $X_{train}$ 

list of arrays corresponding to complementary subsets of the  $d \geq 1$  predictors which are used for modelling. Must contain at least one of the following three named entries:

- X\_train\_lin A 3 or 4 dimensional array of "linear" predictor values. One more dimension than Y\_train. If NULL, a model without the linear component is built and trained. The first 2/3 dimensions should be equal to that of Y\_train; the last dimension corresponds to the chosen  $l \geq 0$  'linear' predictor values.
- X\_train\_add\_basis A 4 or 5 dimensional array of basis function evaluations for the "additive" predictor values. The first 2/3 dimensions should be equal to that of Y\_train; the penultimate dimensions corresponds to the chosen  $a \geq 0$  'linear' predictor values and the last dimension is equal to the number of knots used for estimating the splines. See example. If NULL, a model without the additive component is built and trained.
- X\_train\_nn A 3 or 4 dimensional array of "non-additive" predictor values. If NULL, a model without the NN component is built and trained; if this is the case, then type has no efect. The first 2/3 dimensions should be equal to that of Y\_train; the last dimension corresponds to the chosen  $d-l-a \geq 0$  'non-additive' predictor values.

Note that X\_train is the predictors for both Y\_train and Y\_valid.

type

string defining the type of network to be built. If type=="MLP", the network will have all densely connected layers; if type=="CNN", the network will have all convolutional layers. Defaults to an MLP.

n.ep

number of epochs used for training. Defaults to 1000.

batch.size

batch size for stochastic gradient descent. If larger than dim(Y\_train)[1], i.e., the number of observations, then regular gradient descent used.

init.p

sets the initial probability estimate across all dimensions of Y\_train. Defaults to empirical estimate. Overriden by init.wb\_path if !is.null(init.wb\_path).

widths

vector of widths/filters for hidden dense/convolution layers. Number of layers is equal to length(widths). Defaults to (6,3).

filter.dim if type=="CNN", this 2-vector gives the dimensions of the convolution filter ker-

nel; must have odd integer inputs. Note that filter.dim=c(1,1) is equivalent to

type=="MLP". The same filter is applied for each hidden layer.

seed seed for random initial weights and biases.

init.wb\_path filepath to a keras model which is then used as initial weights and biases for

training the new model. The original model must have the exact same architecture and trained with the same input data as the new model. If NULL, then initial weights and biases are random (with seed seed) but the final layer has zero initial weights to ensure that the initial probability estimate is init.p across all

dimensions.

model fitted keras model. Output from logistic.NN.train.

#### **Details**

Consider a Bernoulli random variable, say  $Z \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p)$ , with probability mass function  $\Pr(Z=1) = p = 1 - \Pr(Z=0) = 1 - p$ . Let  $Y \in \{0,1\}$  be a univariate Boolean response and let  $\mathbf{X}$  denote a d-dimensional predictor set with observations  $\mathbf{x}$ . For integers  $l \geq 0$ ,  $a \geq 0$  and  $0 \leq l + a \leq d$ , let  $\mathbf{X}_L, \mathbf{X}_A$  and  $\mathbf{X}_N$  be distinct sub-vectors of  $\mathbf{X}$ , with observations of each component denoted  $\mathbf{x}_L, \mathbf{x}_A$  and  $\mathbf{x}_N$ , respectively; the lengths of the sub-vectors are l, a and d - l - a, respectively. We model  $Y|\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x} \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p(\mathbf{x}))$  with

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = h[\eta_0 + m_L\{\mathbf{x}_L\} + m_A\{x_A\} + m_N\{\mathbf{x}_N\}],$$

where h is the logistic link-function and  $\eta_0$  is a constant intercept. The unknown functions  $m_L$  and  $m_A$  are estimated using a linear function and spline, respectively, and are both returned as outputs by logistic.NN.predict;  $m_N$  is estimated using a neural network.

The model is fitted by minimising the binary cross-entropy loss over n.ep training epochs. Although the model is trained by minimising the loss evaluated for Y\_train, the final returned model may minimise some other loss. The current state of the model is saved after each epoch, using keras::callback\_model\_checkpoint, if the value of some criterion subcedes that of the model from the previous checkpoint; this criterion is the loss evaluated for validation set Y\_valid if !is.null(Y\_valid) and for Y\_train, otherwise.

#### Value

logistic.NN.train returns the fitted model. logistic.NN.predict is a wrapper for keras::predict that returns the predicted probability estimates, and, if applicable, the linear regression coefficients and spline bases weights.

## Examples

```
# Build and train a simple MLP for toy data

# Create 'nn', 'additive' and 'linear' predictors
X_train_nn<-rnorm(5000); X_train_add<-rnorm(2000); X_train_lin<-rnorm(3000)

#Re-shape to a 4d array. First dimension corresponds to observations,
#last to the different components of the predictor set
dim(X_train_nn)=c(10,10,10,5) #Five nn predictors
dim(X_train_lin)=c(10,10,10,3) #Three linear predictors
dim(X_train_add)=c(10,10,10,2) #Two additive predictors</pre>
```

```
# Create toy response data
#Linear contribution
m_L = 0.3*X_{train_lin[,,,1]+0.6*X_{train_lin[,,,2]-0.2*X_{train_lin[,,,3]}}
# Additive contribution
m_A = 0.1*X_{train_add[,,,1]^2+0.2*X_{train_add[,,,1]-0.1*X_{train_add[,,,2]^3+}}
0.5*X_train_add[,,,2]^2
#Non-additive contribution - to be estimated by NN
m_N = \exp(-3+X_{train_nn[,,,2]}+X_{train_nn[,,,3]})+
sin(X_train_nn[,,,1]-X_train_nn[,,,2])*(X_train_nn[,,,4]+X_train_nn[,,,5])
p=0.5+0.5*tanh((m_L+m_A+m_N)/2) #Logistic link
Y=apply(p,1:3,function(x) rbinom(1,1,x))
#Create training and validation, respectively.
#We mask 20% of the Y values and use this for validation
#Masked values must be set to -1e5 and are treated as missing whilst training
mask_inds=sample(1:length(Y),size=length(Y)*0.8)
Y_train<-Y_valid<-Y #Create training and validation, respectively.
Y_train[-mask_inds]=-1e5
Y_valid[mask_inds]=-1e5
#To build a model with an additive component, we require an array of evaluations of
#the basis functions for each pre-specified knot and entry to X_train_add
rad=function(x,c){ #Define a basis function. Here we use the radial bases
  out=abs(x-c)^2*log(abs(x-c))
  out[(x-c)==0]=0
  return(out)
}
n.knot = 5 # set number of knots. Must be the same for each additive predictor
knots = matrix(nrow = dim(X_train\_add)[4], ncol = n.knot)
#We set knots to be equally-spaced marginal quantiles
for( i in 1:dim(X_train_add)[4]) {
knots[i,]=quantile(X_train_add[,,,i],probs=seq(0,1,length=n.knot))}
X_train_add_basis<-array(dim=c(dim(X_train_add),n.knot))</pre>
for( i in 1:dim(X_train_add)[4]) {
for(k in 1:n.knot) {
X_train_add_basis[,,,i,k] = rad(x=X_train_add[,,,i],c=knots[i,k])
#Evaluate rad at all entries to X_train_add and for all knots
}}
X_train=list("X_train_nn"=X_train_nn, "X_train_lin"=X_train_lin,
"X_train_add_basis"=X_train_add_basis)
#Build and train a two-layered "lin+GAM+NN" MLP
model<-logistic.NN.train(Y_train, Y_valid,X_train, type="MLP",n.ep=2000,</pre>
```

```
batch.size=50,init.p=0.4, widths=c(6,3))
out<-predict_bernoulli_nn(X_train,model)</pre>
hist(out$predictions) #Plot histogram of predicted probability
print(out$lin.coeff)
n.add.preds=dim(X_train_add)[length(dim(X_train_add))]
par(mfrow=c(1,n.add.preds))
for(i in 1:n.add.preds){
plt.x=seq(from=min(knots[i,]),to=max(knots[i,]),length=1000) #Create sequence for x-axis
 tmp=matrix(nrow=length(plt.x),ncol=n.knot)
 for(j in 1:n.knot){
   tmp[,j]=rad(plt.x,knots[i,j]) #Evaluate radial basis function of plt.x and all knots
 plt.y=tmp%*%out$gam.weights[i,]
plot(plt.x,plt.y,type="l",main=paste0("Quantile spline: predictor ",i),xlab="x",ylab="f(x)")
 points(knots[i,],rep(mean(plt.y),n.knot),col="red",pch=2)
 #Adds red triangles that denote knot locations
}
#To save model, run model %>% save_model_tf("model_Bernoulli")
#To load model, run model <- load_model_tf("model_Bernoulli",</pre>
#custom_objects=list("bce_loss"=bce_loss))
```

quant.NN

Non-parametric single quantile regression PINN

## **Description**

Build and train a partially-interpretable neural network for non-parametric single quantile regression

# Usage

```
quant.NN.train(Y_train, Y_valid = NULL, X_train, type = "MLP",
   link = "identity", tau = NULL, n.ep = 100, batch.size = 100,
   init.q = NULL, widths = c(6, 3), filter.dim = c(3, 3), seed = NULL,
   init.wb_path = NULL)

quant.NN.predict(X_train, model)
```

#### **Arguments**

```
Y_train, Y_valid
```

a 2 or 3 dimensional array of training or validation real response values. Missing values can be handled by setting corresponding entries to Y\_train or Y\_valid to -1e5. The first dimension should be the observation indices, e.g., time.

If type=="CNN", then Y\_train and Y\_valid must have three dimensions with the latter two corresponding to an M by N regular grid of spatial locations. If Y\_valid==NULL, no validation loss will be computed and the returned model will be that which minimises the training loss over n.ep epochs.

X\_train

list of arrays corresponding to complementary subsets of the d > 1 predictors which are used for modelling. Must contain at least one of the following three named entries:

X\_train\_lin A 3 or 4 dimensional array of "linear" predictor values. One more dimension than Y\_train. If NULL, a model without the linear component is built and trained. The first 2/3 dimensions should be equal to that of Y\_train; the last dimension corresponds to the chosen  $l \geq 0$  'linear' predictor values.

X\_train\_add\_basis A 4 or 5 dimensional array of basis function evaluations for the "additive" predictor values. The first 2/3 dimensions should be equal to that of Y\_train; the penultimate dimensions corresponds to the chosen  $a \ge 0$  'linear' predictor values and the last dimension is equal to the number of knots used for estimating the splines. See example. If NULL, a model without the additive component is built and trained.

X\_train\_nn A 3 or 4 dimensional array of "non-additive" predictor values. If NULL, a model without the NN component is built and trained; if this is the case, then type has no efect. The first 2/3 dimensions should be equal to that of Y\_train; the last dimension corresponds to the chosen  $d-l-a \geq 0$ 'non-additive' predictor values.

Note that X\_train is the predictors for both Y\_train and Y\_valid.

type

string defining the type of network to be built. If type=="MLP", the network will have all densely connected layers; if type=="CNN", the network will have all convolutional layers. Defaults to an MLP.

link

string defining the link function used, see h below. If link=="exp", then h =  $\exp(x)$ ; if link=="identity", then h(x) = x.

tau

quantile level. Must satisfy 0 < tau < 1.

n.ep

number of epochs used for training. Defaults to 1000.

batch.size

batch size for stochastic gradient descent. If larger than dim(Y\_train)[1], i.e., the number of observations, then regular gradient descent used.

init.q

sets the initial tau-quantile estimate across all dimensions of Y\_train. Defaults to empirical estimate. Overriden by init.wb\_path if !is.null(init.wb\_path).

widths

vector of widths/filters for hidden dense/convolution layers. Number of layers

is equal to length(widths). Defaults to (6,3).

filter.dim

if type=="CNN", this 2-vector gives the dimensions of the convolution filter kernel; must have odd integer inputs. Note that filter.dim=c(1,1) is equivalent to type=="MLP". The same filter is applied for each hidden layer.

seed

seed for random initial weights and biases.

init.wb\_path

filepath to a keras model which is then used as initial weights and biases for training the new model. The original model must have the exact same architecture and trained with the same input data as the new model. If NULL, then initial weights and biases are random (with seed seed) but the final layer has zero initial weights to ensure that the initial quantile estimate is init.q across

all dimensions.

model

fitted keras model. Output from quant.NN.train.

## **Details**

Consider a real-valued random variable Y and let X denote a d-dimensional predictor set with observations x. For integers  $l \geq 0, a \geq 0$  and  $0 \leq l + a \leq d$ , let  $X_L, X_A$  and  $X_N$  be distinct

sub-vectors of  $\mathbf{X}$ , with observations of each component denoted  $\mathbf{x}_L, \mathbf{x}_A$  and  $\mathbf{x}_N$ , respectively; the lengths of the sub-vectors are l, a and d-l-a, respectively. We model  $\Pr\{Y \leq y_\tau(\mathbf{x}) | \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x}\} = \tau$  with

$$y_{\tau}(\mathbf{x}) = h[\eta_0 + m_L\{\mathbf{x}_L\} + m_A\{x_A\} + m_N\{\mathbf{x}_N\}],$$

where h is some link-function and  $\eta_0$  is a constant intercept. The unknown functions  $m_L$  and  $m_A$  are estimated using a linear function and spline, respectively, and are both returned as outputs by quant.NN.predict;  $m_N$  is estimated using a neural network.

The model is fitted by minimising the tiled loss over n. ep training epochs; the loss is given by

$$l(y_{\tau}; y) = \max\{\tau(y - y_{\tau}), (\tau - 1)(y - y_{\tau})\}\$$

and is averaged over all entries to Y\_train (or Y\_valid). Although the model is trained by minimising the loss evaluated for Y\_train, the final returned model may minimise some other loss. The current state of the model is saved after each epoch, using keras::callback\_model\_checkpoint, if the value of some criterion subcedes that of the model from the previous checkpoint; this criterion is the loss evaluated for validation set Y\_valid if !is.null(Y\_valid) and for Y\_train, otherwise.

#### Value

quant.NN.train returns the fitted model. quant.NN.predict is a wrapper for keras::predict that returns the predicted tau-quantile estimates, and, if applicable, the linear regression coefficients and spline bases weights.

## **Examples**

```
# Build and train a simple MLP for toy data
# Create 'nn', 'additive' and 'linear' predictors
X_train_nn<-rnorm(5000); X_train_add<-rnorm(2000); X_train_lin<-rnorm(3000)</pre>
#Re-shape to a 4d array. First dimension corresponds to observations,
#last to the different components of the predictor set
dim(X_train_n)=c(10,10,10,5) #Five nn predictors
dim(X_train_lin)=c(10,10,10,3) #Three linear predictors
dim(X_train_add)=c(10,10,10,2) #Two additive predictors
# Create toy response data
#Linear contribution
m_L = 0.3*X_{train_lin[,,,1]+0.6*X_{train_lin[,,,2]-0.2*X_{train_lin[,,,3]}}
# Additive contribution
m_A = 0.1*X_{train_add[,,,1]^2+0.2*X_{train_add[,,,1]-0.1*X_{train_add[,,,2]^3+}}
0.5*X_train_add[,,,2]^2
\#Non-additive contribution - to be estimated by NN
m_N = \exp(-3+X_{train_nn[,,,2]}+X_{train_nn[,,,3]})+
sin(X_{train\_nn[,,,1]}-X_{train\_nn[,,,2]})*(X_{train\_nn[,,,4]}+X_{train\_nn[,,,5]})
theta=1+m_L+m_A+m_N #Identity link
#We simulate normal data and estimate the median, i.e., the 50% quantile or mean,
#as the form for this is known
Y=apply(theta,1:3,function(x) rnorm(1,mean=x,sd=2))
```

```
#Create training and validation, respectively.
#We mask 20% of the Y values and use this for validation.
#Masked values must be set to -1e5 and are treated as missing whilst training
mask_inds=sample(1:length(Y),size=length(Y)*0.8)
Y_train<-Y_valid<-Y #Create training and validation, respectively.
Y trainΓ-mask inds]=-1e5
Y valid[mask inds]=-1e5
#To build a model with an additive component, we require an array of evaluations of
#the basis functions for each pre-specified knot and entry to X_train_add
rad=function(x,c){ #Define a basis function. Here we use the radial bases
    out=abs(x-c)^2*log(abs(x-c))
   out[(x-c)==0]=0
    return(out)
}
n.knot = 5 # set number of knots. Must be the same for each additive predictor
knots=matrix(nrow=dim(X_train_add)[4],ncol=n.knot)
#We set knots to be equally-spaced marginal quantiles
for( i in 1:dim(X_train_add)[4]) knots[i,]=quantile(X_train_add[,,,i],probs=seq(0,1,length=n.knot))
X_train_add_basis<-array(dim=c(dim(X_train_add),n.knot))</pre>
for( i in 1:dim(X_train_add)[4]) {
for(k in 1:n.knot) {
X_train_add_basis[,,,i,k] = rad(x=X_train_add[,,,i],c=knots[i,k])
#Evaluate rad at all entries to X_train_add and for all knots
#Build lin+GAM+NN model.
X_train=list("X_train_nn"=X_train_nn, "X_train_lin"=X_train_lin,
"X_train_add_basis"=X_train_add_basis)
#Build and train a two-layered "lin+GAM+NN" MLP
\verb|model|<-quant.NN.train|(Y_train, Y_valid, X_train, type="MLP", link="identity", tau=0.5, n.ep=50, type=10, 
                                           batch.size=50, widths=c(6,3))
out<-quant.NN.predict(X_train,model)</pre>
hist(out$predictions) #Plot histogram of predicted quantiles
print(out$lin.coeff)
n.add.preds=dim(X_train_add)[length(dim(X_train_add))]
par(mfrow=c(1,n.add.preds))
for(i in 1:n.add.preds){
 plt.x=seq(from=min(knots[i,]),to=max(knots[i,]),length=1000) #Create sequence for x-axis
  tmp=matrix(nrow=length(plt.x),ncol=n.knot)
  for(j in 1:n.knot){
      tmp[,j]=rad(plt.x,knots[i,j]) #Evaluate radial basis function of plt.x and all knots
  }
 plt.y=tmp%*%out$gam.weights[i,]
 \verb|plot(plt.x,plt.y,type="l",main=paste0("Quantile spline: predictor ",i),xlab="x",ylab="f(x)")|
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points(knots[i,],rep(mean(plt.y),n.knot),col="red",pch=2)
#Adds red triangles that denote knot locations
}

tau <- 0.5
#To save model, run
# model %>% save_model_tf(paste0("model_",tau,"-quantile"))
#To load model, run
#model <- load_model_tf(paste0("model_",tau,"-quantile"),
#custom_objects=list("tilted_loss_tau___tau_"=tilted_loss(tau)))</pre>
```

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US Wildfires data

## **Description**

Data used by Richards and Huser (2022) for modelling extreme wildfires in the contiguous U.S. with partially-interpretable neural networks

## Usage

data(USwild)

#### **Format**

A list with 5 elements:

**BA** An array with dimension (276, 119, 51), corresponding to the burnt area response data.

**X** A list with 3 elements:

**X.met** An array with dimension (276, 119, 51, 10) corresponding to the meterological predictors described below.

**X.lc** An array with dimension (276, 119, 51, 18) corresponding to the land cover predictors described below.

**X.oro** An array with dimension (276, 119, 51, 2) corresponding to the oropgraphical predictors described below.

**times** A vector of length 276 giving the observation indices. Format is "year-month". Corresponds to first dimension of BA.

lon A vector of length 119 giving the longitude ordinate for the second dimension of BA.

lat A vector of length 51 giving the latitude ordinate for the third dimension of BA.

#### **Details**

The response data BA are observations of monthly aggregated burnt area (acres) of 3503 spatial grid-cells located across the contiguous United States, with the states of Alaska and Hawaii excluded. The observation period covers 1993 to 2015, using only months between March and September, inclusive, leaving 161 observed spatial fields. Grid-cells are arranged on a regular latitude/longitude grid with spatial resolution 0.5deg by 0.5deg. Observations are provided by the Fire Program Analysis fire-occurrence database (Short, 2017) which collates U.S. wildfire records from the reporting systems of federal, state and local organisations.

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Both the response data and the subsequently described predictors have been re-gridded to a regular spatio-temporal grid with missing values set to -1e5. For BA and entries to X, the first three dimensions correspond to time  $\times$  latitude  $\times$  longitude with their respective ordinate values given in times, lat and lon.

We consider three types of predictor variables, given in X: these are meteorological (X.met), land cover proportions (X.1c) and orographical (X.oro).

Ten meteorological variables are considered and given as monthly means in X.met. These variables are provided by the ERA5-reanalysis on land surface, available through the COPERNICUS Climate Data Service, which is given on a  $0.1 deg \times 0.1 deg$  grid; the values are then aggregated to a  $0.5 deg \times 0.5 deg$  resolution. The variables are ordered as followed: both eastern and northern components of wind velocity at a 10m altitude (m/s), both dew-point temperature and temperature at a 2m altitude (Kelvin), potential evaporation (m), evaporation (m), precipitation (m), surface pressure (Pa) and surface net solar, and thermal, radiation (J/m^2). This particular ERA5-reanalysis samples over land only, and so the meteorological conditions over the oceans are not available.

The land cover variables that are given in X.1c describe the proportion of a grid-cell which is covered by one of 18 different types, e.g., urban, grassland, water (see Opitz (2022) for full details). Land cover predictors are derived using a gridded land cover map, of spatial resolution 300m and temporal resolution one year, produced by COPERNICUS and available through their Climate Data Service. For each  $0.5 \deg \times 0.5 \deg$  grid-cell, the proportion of a cell consisting of a specific land cover type is derived from the high-resolution product. The variables are ordered lc1 - lc18, as described by Opitz (2022).

The two orographical predictors given in X. oro are the mean and standard deviation of the altitude (m) for each grid-cell; estimates are derived using a densely-sampled gridded output from the U.S. Geographical Survey Elevation Point Query Service.

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