# Generalised Extreme Value (GEV) distribution

#### Parametrisation

The GEV distribution is defined through the cumulative distribution function

$$F(y; \eta, \tau, \xi) = \exp\left(-\left[1 + \xi\sqrt{\tau w}(y - \eta)\right]^{-1/\xi}\right)$$

for

$$1 + \xi \sqrt{\tau w}(y - \eta) > 0$$

and for a continuously response y where

 $\eta$ : is the linear predictor

 $\tau$ : is the "precision"

w: is a fixed weight, w > 0.

#### Link-function

The linear predictor is given in the parameterisation of the GEV distribution.

## Hyperparameters

The GEV-models has two hyperparameters. The "precision" is represented as

$$\theta_1 = \log \tau$$

and the prior is defined on  $\theta_1$ . The shape parameter  $\xi$  is represented as

$$\xi = s\theta_2$$

where s > 0 is a chosen fixed scaling, and the prior is defined on  $\theta_2$ .

### **Specification**

- family = gev
- Required arguments: y and w (keyword weights)
- The scaling s is given by the argument scale.xi.gev and is default set to 0.01, and provides an more appropriate scale for  $\theta_2$ .

The weights has default value 1.

#### Example

In the following example, we estimate the parameters of the GEV distribution on some simulated data.

```
rgev = function(n=1, xi = 0, mu = 0.0, sd = 1.0) {
u = runif(n)
if (xi == 0) {
    x = -log(-log(u))
} else {
    x = ((-log(u))^(-xi) - 1.0)/xi
```

# Notes

None.