Example on joint ADMB/TMB development effort

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Joint development TMB/ADMB

- ▶ Focus on a few key improvements of both tools
- ▶ How easy/difficult is it to make these in each tool
- Possibly learn tricks from one tool to the other
- Strengthen confidence in both tools



Some focus items

- Lacking special functions (pbeta, qbeta, besselK, ...)
- ▶ Automatic generator of adaptive p-special functions (Gauss-Kronrod)
- Automatic generator of adaptive q-special functions
- ► Exact (AD) outer hessian
- ▶ Dave's suggestion w.r.t. importance sampling
- ▶ Implement forward sub-sweep
- Expand the template distributions (in ADMB) to be similar to the TMB density namespace

Example: pbeta(x,a,b) in ADMB

- ► Function already in ADMB (as function betai)
- ▶ Created alias pbeta with same arguments as in R to make easier to find
- Modified the VECTORIZE macros used in TMB to easily expand to all combinations of vectors and scalar calls.
- ▶ Included the VECTORIZE macros in ADMB so can be used for functions defined in template file.



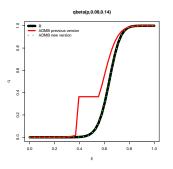
Example: pbeta(x,a,b) in TMB

- ▶ Function was not in TMB
- ▶ First attempt use integrate function from **R** too imprecise
- ▶ Next attempt use code from NR (eventually use code from R)
- Cannot use AD directly.
- Developed tiny_ad to calculate forward AD to any order
- Useful for such functions with few arguments
- (also later in ADMB)



Example: qbeta(x,a,b) in ADMB

- Function already in ADMB (as function inv_cumd_beta_stable)
- Precision not good for all tested cases:



- Fixed issue
- Derivatives up to 3th order were hand coded (df1b2-separable/df1b2invcumdbeta.cpp)

Example: Bessel functions in ADMB

- Modified code from Numerical Recipes.
- ► Tested precision
- Example using von Mises distribution
- Next try to use tiny_ad from TMB