# The Kumaraswamy distribution

### Parametrisation

The Kumaraswamy distribution is

$$f(y) = \alpha \beta y^{\alpha - 1} (1 - y^{\alpha})^{\beta - 1}$$

for 0 < y < 1 and  $\alpha, \beta > 0$ . The cumulative distribution function is

$$F(y) = 1 - (1 - y^{\alpha})^{\beta}$$
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The parametrisation is given in terms of the quantile function

$$\kappa(q) = \left(1 - (1 - q)^{1/\beta}\right)^{1/\alpha}$$

and the precision parameter  $\phi$ ,

$$\phi(q) = -\ln\left(1 - (1 - q)^{1/\beta}\right)$$

for fixed value of 0 < q < 1.

### **Link-function**

The quantile  $\kappa$  to the linear predictor by

$$logit(\kappa) = \eta$$

using the default logit link-function.

### Hyperparameters

The hyperparameter is

$$\phi = \exp(S\theta)$$

and the prior is defined on  $\theta$ . The constant S currently set to 0.1 to avoid numerical instabilities in the optimization, since small changes of  $\alpha$  can make a huge difference.

## **Specification**

- family = qkumar
- Required arguments: y and the quantile q.

The quantile is given as control.family=list(control.link = list(quantile=q)).

### Hyperparameter spesification and default values

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### theta

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fixed FALSE
         prior loggamma
         param 1 0.1
         to.theta function(x, sc = 0.1) log(x) / sc
         from.theta function(x, sc = 0.1) exp(sc * x)
survival FALSE
discrete FALSE
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Example
rkumar = function(n, eta, phi, q=0.5)
    kappa = eta
    beta = log(1-q)/log(1-exp(-phi))
    alpha = log(1- (1-q)^(1/beta)) / log(kappa)
    u = runif(n)
    y = (1-u^(1/beta))^(1/alpha)
    return (y)
}
n = 100
q = 0.5
phi = 1
x = rnorm(n, sd = 1)
eta = inla.link.invlogit(1 + x)
y = rkumar(n, eta, phi, q)
r = inla(y ~1 + x,
    data = data.frame(y, x),
    family = "qkumar",
    control.family = list(control.link=list(quantile = q)))
summary(r)
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#### Notes

None.