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Description

This a collection of functions to fit Generalized Additive Models for Location Scale and Shape(GAMLSS) and handled gamlss objects.

GAMLSS were introduced by Rigby and Stasinopoulos (2005). GAMLSS is a general framework for univariate regression type statistical problems using new ways of dealing with overdispersion, skewness and kurtosis in the response variable. In GAMLSS the exponential family distribution assumption used in Generalized Linear Model (GLM) and Generalized Additive Model (GAM),(see Nelder and Wedderburn, 1972 and Hastie and Tibshirani, 1990, respectively) is relaxed and replaced by a very general distribution family including highly skew and kurtotic discrete and continuous distributions. The systematic part of the model is expanded to allow modelling not only the mean (or location) but other parameters of the distribution of the response variable as linear parametric, nonlinear parametric or additive non-parametric functions of explanatory variables and/or random effects terms. Maximum (penalized) likelihood estimation is used to fit the models.

Details

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This package allow the user to model the distribution of the response variable using a variety of one, two, three and four parameter families of distributions. The distributions implemented currently can be found in gamlss.family. Other distributions can be easily added. In the current implementation of GAMLSS several additive terms have been implemented including regression splines, smoothing splines, penalized splines, varying coefficients, fractional polynomials and random effects. Other

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additive terms can be easily added.

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Examples

```
data(abdom)
mod<-gamlss(y~pb(x),sigma.fo=~pb(x),family=BCT, data=abdom, method=mixed(1,20))
plot(mod)
rm(mod)</pre>
```

acfResid

ACF plot of the residuals

Description

This plot display the ACF and PACF of the residuals of a gamlss or other fitted model (provided that they have been standardised appropriately. Is is approriate for time series data.

Usage

```
acfResid(obj = NULL, resid = NULL)
```

Arguments

obj A gamlss model or othe fitted model where the resid() function applies exist resid if obj does not exist the argument here will be used

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Details

The ACF abd PACF for the residuals r, squared residuals r^2, r^3 and r^4 are plotted

Value

The relevant plots are displayied

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See Also

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Examples

```
library(datasets)
data(co2)
m1<- gamlss(co2~pb(as.numeric(time(co2)))+factor(cycle(co2)))
acfResid(m1)</pre>
```

additive.fit

Implementing Backfitting in GAMLSS

Description

This function is not to be used on its own. It is used for backfitting in the GAMLSS fitting algorithms and it is based on the equivalent function written by Trevor Hastie in the gam() S-plus implementation, (Chambers and Hastie, 1991).

Usage

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Arguments

x the linear part of the explanatory variables

y the response variable

w the weights

s the matrix containing the smoothers

who the current smoothers

smooth. frame the data frame used for the smoothers

maxit maximum number of iterations in the backfitting

tol the tolerance level for the backfitting

trace whether to trace the backfitting algorithm

se whether standard errors are required

... for extra arguments

Details

This function should not be used on its own

Value

Returns a list with the linear fit plus the smothers

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See Also

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Functions to fit fractional polynomials in GAMLSS

Description

The function bfp generate a power polynomial basis matrix which (for given powers) can be used to fit power polynomials in one x-variable. The function fp takes a vector and returns it with several attributes. The vector is used in the construction of the model matrix. The function fp() is not used for fitting the fractional polynomial curves but assigns the attributes to the vector to aid gamlss in the fitting process. The function doing the fitting is gamlss.fp() which is used at the backfitting function additive.fit (but never used on its own). The (experimental) function pp can be use to fit power polynomials as in $a + b_1 x^{p_1} + b_2 x^{p_2}$, where p1 and p2 have arbitrary values rather restricted as in the fp function.

Usage

```
bfp(x, powers = c(1, 2), shift = NULL, scale = NULL)

fp(x, npoly = 2, shift = NULL, scale = NULL)

pp(x, start = list(), shift = NULL, scale = NULL)
```

Arguments

Х	the explanatory variable to be used in functions bfp() or fp(). Note that this is different from the argument x use in gamlss.fp (a function used in the backfitting but not by straight by the user)
powers	a vector containing as elements the powers in which the x has to be raised
shift	a number for shifting the x-variable. The default values is zero, if x is positive, or the minimum of the positive difference in x minus the minimum of x
scale	a positive number for scalling the x-variable. The default values is $10^(sign(log10(range)))*trunc(abs(log10(range)))$
npoly	a positive indicating how many fractional polynomials should be considered in the fit. Can take the values 1, 2 or 3 with 2 as default
start	a list containing the starting values for the non-linear maximization to find the powers. The results from fitting the equivalent fractional polynomials can be used here

Details

The above functions are an implementation of the fractional polynomials introduced by Royston and Altman (1994). The three functions involved in the fitting are loosely based on the fractional polynomials implementation in S-plus written by Gareth Amber. The function bfp generates the right design matrix for the fitting a power polynomial of the type $a + b_1 x^{p_1} + b_2 x^{p_2} + \ldots + b_k x_k^p$. For given powers p_1, p_2, \ldots, p_k given as the argument powers in bfp() the function can be used to fit power polynomials in the same way as the functions poly() or bs() (of package splines) are used to fit orthogonal or piecewise polynomials respectively. The function fp(), which is working as a smoother in gamlss, is used to fit the best fractional polynomials within a set of power values.

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Its argument npoly determines whether one, two or three fractional polynomials should used in the fitting. For a fixed number npoly the algorithm looks for the best fitting fractional polynomials in the list c(-2, -1, -0.5, 0, 0.5, 1, 2, 3). Note that npolu=3 is rather slow since it fits all possible combinations 3-way combinations at each backfitting interaction. The function gamlss.fp() is an internal function of GAMLSS allowing the fractional polynomials to be fitted in the backfitting cycle of gamlss, and should be not used on its own.

Value

The function bfp returns a matrix to be used as part of the design matrix in the fitting.

The function fp returns a vector with values zero to be included in the design matrix but with attributes useful in the fitting of the fractional polynomials algorithm in gamlss.fp.

Warning

Since the model constant is included in both the design matrix X and in the backfitting part of fractional polynomials, its values is wrongly given in the summary. Its true values is the model constant minus the constant from the fractional polynomial fitting ??? What happens if more that one fractional polynomials are fitted?

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See Also

```
gamlss, gamlss.family
```

```
data(abdom) #fits polynomials with power 1 and .5 mod1<-gamlss(y~bfp(x,c(1,0.5)),data=abdom) # fit the best of one fractional polynomial m1<-gamlss(y~fp(x,1),data=abdom)
```

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```
# fit the best of two fractional polynomials
m2 < -gamlss(y \sim fp(x, 2), data = abdom)
# fit the best of three fractional polynomials
m3 < -gamlss(y \sim fp(x,3), data = abdom)
# get the coefficient for the second model
m2$mu.coefSmo
# now power polynomials using the best 2 fp c()
m4 \leftarrow gamlss(y \sim pp(x, c(1,3)), data = abdom)
# This is not good idea in this case because
# if you look at the fitted values you see what it went wrong
plot(y~x,data=abdom)
lines(fitted(m2, "mu")~abdom$x, col="red")
lines(fitted(m4,"mu")~abdom$x,col="blue")
```

calibration

Calibrating centile curves

Description

This function can used when the fitted model centiles do not coincide with the sample centiles.

Usage

```
calibration(object, xvar, cent = 100 * pnorm((-4:4) * 2/3),
            legend = FALSE, fan = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

object a gamlss fitted object The explanatory variable xvar a vector with elements the % centile values for which the centile curves have to cent be evaluated legend whether legend is required whether to use the fan version of centiles fan other argument pass on to centiles() function

Details

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The function finds the sample quantiles of the residuals of the fitted model (the z-scores) and use them as sample quantile in the argument cent of the centiles() function. This procedure is appropriate if the fitted model centiles do not coincide with the sample centiles and when this failure is the same in all values of the explanatory variable xvar.

Value

A centile plot is produced and the sample centiles below each centile curve are printed (or saved)

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See Also

```
centiles, centiles.fan
```

Examples

```
data(abdom)
m1<-gamlss(y~pb(x), sigma.fo=~pb(x), family=LO, data=abdom)
calibration(m1, xvar=abdom$x, fan=TRUE)</pre>
```

centiles

Plots the centile curves for a GAMLSS object

Description

This function centiles() plots centiles curves for distributions belonging to the GAMLSS family of distributions. The function also tabulates the sample percentages below each centile curve (for comparison with the model percentages given by the argument cent.) The function centiles.fan() plots a fan-chart of the centile curves. A restriction of the functions is that it applies to models with one explanatory variable only.

Usage

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```
ylim = range(obj$y), points = FALSE, median = TRUE, pch = 15,
cex = 0.5, col = gray(0.7),
colors = c("cm", "gray", "rainbow", "heat", "terrain", "topo"), ...)
```

Arguments

obj	a fitted gamlss object from fitting a gamlss distribution
xvar	the unique explanatory variable
cent	a vector with elements the $\%$ centile values for which the centile curves have to be evaluated
legend	whether a legend is required in the plot or not, the default is legent=TRUE
ylab	the y-variable label
xlab	the x-variable label
main	the main title here as character. If NULL the default title "centile curves using NO" (or the relevant distributions name) is shown
main.gsub	if the main.gsub (with default "@") appears in the main title then it is substituted with the default title.
xleg	position of the legend in the x-axis
yleg	position of the legend in the y-axis
xlim	the limits of the x-axis
ylim	the limits of the y-axis
save	whether to save the sample percentages or not with default equal to FALSE. In this case the sample percentages are printed but are not saved
plot	whether to plot the centiles. This option is useful for centile.split
pch	the character to be used as the default in plotting points see par
cex	size of character see par
col	plotting colour see par
col.centiles	Plotting colours for the centile curves
lty.centiles	line type for the centile curves
lwd.centiles	The line width for the centile curves
colors	the different colour schemes to be used for the fan-chart. The following are available c("cm", "gray", "rainbow", "heat", "terrain", "topo"),
points	whether the data points should be plotted, default is TRUE for centiles() and FALSE for centiles.fan()
median	whether the median should be plotted (only in centiles.fan())
	for extra arguments

Details

Centiles are calculated using the fitted values in obj and xvar must correspond exactly to the predictor in obj to plot correctly.

col.centiles, lty.centiles and lwd.centiles may be vector arguments and are recycled to the length cent if necessary.

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Value

A centile plot is produced and the sample centiles below each centile curve are printed (or saved)

Warning

This function is appropriate only when one continuous explanatory variable is fitted in the model

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See Also

```
gamlss, centiles.split, centiles.com
```

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centiles.com	Comparing centiles from different GAMLSS models	

Description

This function compares centiles curves for more than one GAMLSS objects. It is based on the centiles function. The function also tabulates the sample percentages below each centile curve (for comparison with the model percentages given by the argument cent.) A restriction of the function is that it applies to models with one explanatory variable only

Usage

```
centiles.com(obj, ..., xvar = NULL, cent = c(0.4, 10, 50, 90, 99.6), legend = TRUE, ylab = "y", xlab = "x", xleg = min(xvar), yleg = max(obj\$y), xlim = range(xvar), ylim = NULL, no.data = FALSE, color = TRUE, main = NULL, plot = TRUE)
```

Arguments

obj	a fitted gamlss object from fitting a gamlss continuous distribution
	optionally more fitted GAMLSS model objects
xvar	the unique explanatory variable
cent	a vector with elements the % centile values for which the centile curves have to be evaluated
legend	whether a legend is required in the plot or not, the default is legent=TRUE
ylab	the y-variable label
xlab	the x-variable label
xleg	position of the legend in the x-axis
yleg	position of the legend in the y-axis
xlim	the limits of the x-axis
ylim	the limits of the y-axis
no.data	whether the data should plotted, default no . data=FALSE or not no . data=TRUE
color	whether the fitted centiles are shown in colour, color=TRUE (the default) or not color=FALSE $$
main	the main title
plot	whether to plot the centiles

Value

Centile plots are produced for the different fitted models and the sample centiles below each centile curve are printed

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Warning

This function is appropriate only when one continuous explanatory variable is fitted in the model

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See Also

```
gamlss, centiles, centiles.split
```

Examples

```
\label{lem:data} $$ \data(abdom) $$ h1<-gamlss(y^cs(x,df=3), sigma.formula=^cs(x,1),family=BCT, data=abdom) $$ h2<-gamlss(y^pb(x), sigma.formula=^pb(x), family=BCT, data=abdom) $$ centiles.com(h1,h2,xvar=abdom$x) $$ rm(h1,h2) $$
```

centiles.pred

Creating predictive centiles values

Description

This function creates predictive centiles curves for new x-values given a GAMLSS fitted model. The function has three options: i) for given new x-values and given percentage centiles calculates a matrix containing the centiles values for y, ii) for given new x-values and standard normalized centile values calculates a matrix containing the centiles values for y, iii) for given new x-values and new y-values calculates the z-scores. A restriction of the function is that it applies to models with only one explanatory variable.

Usage

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Arguments

obj	a fitted gamlss object from fitting a gamlss continuous distribution
type	the default, "centiles", gets the centiles values given in the option cent. type="standard-centiles" gets the standard centiles given in the dev. type="z-scores" gets the z-scores for given y and x new values
xname	the name of the unique explanatory variable (it has to be the same as in the original fitted model)
xvalues	the new values for the explanatory variable where the prediction will take place
power	if power transformation is needed (but read the note below)
yval	the response values for a given x required for the calculation of "z-scores"
cent	a vector with elements the % centile values for which the centile curves have to be evaluated
dev	a vector with elements the standard normalized values for which the centile curves have to be evaluated in the option type="standard-centiles"
plot	whether to plot the "centiles" or the "standard-centiles", the default is plot=FALSE
legend	whether a legend is required in the plot or not, the default is legent=TRUE
	for extra arguments

Value

a vector (for option type="z-scores") or a matrix for options type="centiles" or type="standard-centiles" containing the appropriate values

Warning

See example below of how to use the function when power transofrmation is used for the x-variables

Note

The power option should be only used if the model

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See Also

```
gamlss, centiles, centiles.split
```

```
## bring the data and fit the model
data(abdom)
a < -gamlss(y \sim pb(x), sigma.fo = \sim pb(x), data = abdom, family = BCT)
## plot the centiles
centiles(a,xvar=abdom$x)
##-----
## first use of centiles.pred()
## to calculate the centiles at new x values
##-----
newx < -seq(12, 40, 2)
mat <- centiles.pred(a, xname="x", xvalues=newx )</pre>
mat
## now plot the centile curves
mat <- centiles.pred(a, xname="x",xvalues=newx, plot=TRUE )</pre>
##-----
## second use of centiles.pred()
## to calculate (nornalised) standard-centiles for new x
## values using the fitted model
newx < - seq(12, 40, 2)
mat <- centiles.pred(a, xname="x",xvalues=newx, type="standard-centiles" )</pre>
## now plot the standard centiles
mat <- centiles.pred(a, xname="x",xvalues=newx, type="standard-centiles",</pre>
     plot = TRUE)
## third use of centiles.pred()
## if we have new x and y values what are their z-scores?
##-----
# create new y and x values and plot them in the previous plot
newx <- c(20,21.2,23,20.9,24.2,24.1,25)
newy <- c(130,121,123,125,140,145,150)
for(i in 1:7) points(newx[i],newy[i],col="blue")
## now calculate their z-scores
znewx <- centiles.pred(a, xname="x",xvalues=newx,yval=newy, type="z-scores")</pre>
znewx
## Not run:
## What we do if the x variables is transformed?
##-----
## case 1 : transformed x-variable within the formula
##-----
## fit model
aa <- gamlss(y \sim pb(x \sim 0.5), sigma.fo=pb(x \sim 0.5), data=abdom, family=BCT)
## centiles works
centiles(aa,xvar=abdom$x, legend = FALSE)
newx < -seq(12, 40, 2)
```

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```
mat <- centiles.pred(aa, xname="x",xvalues=newx, plot=TRUE )</pre>
mat <- centiles.pred(aa, xname="x",xvalues=c(20, 2 )</pre>
mat
xx <- rep(mat[,1],9)</pre>
yy<-mat[,2:10]</pre>
points(xx,yy,col="red")
## case 2 : x-variable previously transformed
nx<-abdom$x^0.5
aa<-gamlss(y~pb(nx), sigma.fo=~pb(nx), data=abdom, family=BCT)</pre>
centiles(aa, xvar=abdom$x)
newd<-data.frame( abdom, nx=abdom$x^0.5)</pre>
mat <- centiles.pred(aa, xname="nx", xvalues=c(30), power=0.5, data=newd)</pre>
xxx<-rep(mat[,1],9)
yyy<-mat[,2:10]
points(xxx,yyy,col="red")
## End(Not run)
```

centiles.split

Plots centile curves split by x for a GAMLSS object

Description

This function plots centiles curves for separate ranges of the unique explanatory variable x. It is similar to the centiles function but the range of x is split at a user defined values xcut.point into r separate ranges. The functions also tabulates the sample percentages below each centile curve for each of the r ranges of x (for comparison with the model percentage given by cent) The model should have only one explanatory variable.

Usage

Arguments

obj	a fitted gamlss object from fitting a gamlss continuous distribution
xvar	the unique explanatory variable
xcut.points	the x-axis cut off points e.g. $c(20,30)$. If xcut.points=NULL then the n.inter argument is activated
n.inter	if $xcut.points=NULL$ this argument gives the number of intervals in which the x -variable will be splited, with default 4
cent	a vector with elements the % centile values for which the centile curves are to be evaluated

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legend	whether a legend is required in the plots or not, the default is legent=FALSE
main	the main title as character. If NULL the default title (shown the intervals) is shown
main.gsub	if the main.gsub (with default "@") appears in the main title then it is substituted with the default title.
ylab	the y-variable label
xlab	the x-variable label
ylim	the range of the y-variable axis
overlap	how much overlapping in the xvar intervals. Default value is overlap=0 for non overlapping intervals
save	whether to save the sample percentages or not with default equal to TRUE. In this case the functions produce a matrix giving the sample percentages for each interval
plot	whether to plot the centles. This option is usefull if the sample statistics only are to be used
	for extra arguments

Value

Centile plots are produced and the sample centiles below each centile curve for each of the r ranges of x can be saved into a matrix.

Warning

This function is appropriate when only one continuous explanatory variable is fitted in the model

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See Also

gamlss centiles, centiles.com

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Examples

```
data(abdom)
h<-gamlss(y~pb(x), sigma.formula=~pb(x), family=BCT, data=abdom)
mout <- centiles.split(h,xvar=abdom$x)
mout
rm(h,mout)</pre>
```

coef.gamlss

Extract Model Coefficients in a GAMLSS fitted model

Description

coef.gamlss is the GAMLSS specific method for the generic function coef which extracts model coefficients from objects returned by modelling functions. 'coefficients' is an alias for coef.

Usage

Arguments

object a GAMLSS fitted model

what which parameter coefficient is required, default what="mu"

parameter equivalent to what (more obvious name)

... for extra arguments

Value

Coefficients extracted from the GAMLSS model object.

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See Also

```
gamlss, deviance.gamlss, fitted.gamlss
```

Examples

```
data(aids)
h<-gamlss(y~poly(x,3)+qrt, family=P0, data=aids) #
coef(h)
rm(h)</pre>
```

cs Specify a Smoothing Cubic Spline Fit in a GAMLSS Formula

Description

The functions cs() and scs() are using the cubic smoothing splines function smooth.spline() to do smoothing. They take a vector and return it with several attributes. The vector is used in the construction of the model matrix. The functions do not do the smoothing, but assigns the attributes to the vector to aid gamlss in the smoothing. The function doing the smoothing is gamlss.cs(). This function use the R function smooth.spline() which is then used by the backfitting function additive.fit() which is based on the original GAM implementation described in Chambers and Hastie (1992). The function gamlss.scs() differs from the function cs() in that allows cross validation of the smoothing parameters unlike the cs() which fixes the effective degrees of freedom, df. Note that the recommended smoothing function is now the function pb() which allows the estimation of the smoothing parameters using a local maximum likelihood. The function pb() is based on the penalised beta splines (P-splines) of Eilers and Marx (1996).

The (experimental) function vc is now defunct. For fitting varying coefficient models, Hastie and Tibshirani (1993) use the function pvc().

Usage

Arguments

x the univariate predictor, (or expression, that evaluates to a numeric vector). For the function vc the x argument is the vector which has its (linear) coefficient change with r

the desired equivalent number of degrees of freedom (trace of the smoother matrix minus two for the constant and linear fit). The real smoothing parameter (spar below) is found such that df=tr(S)-2, where S is the implicit smoother matrix. Values for df should be greater than 0, with 0 implying a linear fit.

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spar smoothing parameter, typically (but not necessarily) in (0,1]. The coefficient lambda of the integral of the squared second derivative in the fit (penalised log likelihood) criterion is a monotone function of 'spar', see the details in

smooth.spline.

c.spar This is an option to be used when the degrees of freedom of the fitted gamlss

object are different from the ones given as input in the option df. The default values used are the ones given the option control.spar in the R function smooth.spine() and they are c.spar=c(-1.5, 2). For very large data sets e.g. 10000 observations, the upper limit may have to increase for example to c.spar=c(-1.5, 2.5). Use this option if you have received the warning 'The output df are different from the input, change the control.spar'. c.spar can take both vectors or lists of length 2, for example c.spar=c(-1.5, 2.5) or

c.spar=list(-1.5, 2.5) would have the same effect.

control control for the function smooth.spline(), see below

cv see the R function smooth.spline()
all.knots see the R function smooth.spline()
nknots see the R function smooth.spline()
keep.data see the R function smooth.spline()
df.offset see the R function smooth.spline()

penalty see the R function smooth.spline(), here the default value is 1.4

control.spar see above c.spar or the equivalent argument in the function smooth.spline

... for extra arguments

Details

Note that cs itself does no smoothing; it simply sets things up for the function gamlss() which in turn uses the function additive.fit() for backfitting which in turn uses gamlss.cs()

Note that cs() and scs() functions behave differently at their default values that is if df and lambda are not specified. cs(x) by default will use 3 extra degrees of freedom for smoothing for x. scs(x) by default will estimate lambda (and the degrees of freedom) automatically using generalised cross validation (GCV). Note that if GCV is used the convergence of the gamlss model can be less stable compared to a model where the degrees of freedom are fixed. This will be true for small data sets.

Value

the vector x is returned, endowed with a number of attributes. The vector itself is used in the construction of the model matrix, while the attributes are needed for the backfitting algorithms additive.fit(). Since smoothing splines includes linear fits, the linear part will be efficiently computed with the other parametric linear parts of the model.

Warning

For a user who wishes to compare the gamlss() results with the equivalent gam() results in S-plus: make sure when using S-plus that the convergence criteria epsilon and bf.epsilon in control.gam() are decreased sufficiently to ensure proper convergence in S-plus. Also note that the degrees of freedom are defined on top of the linear term in gamlss, but on top of the constant term in S-plus,

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(so use an extra degrees of freedom in S-plus in order to obtain comparable results to those in galmss).

Change the upper limit of spar if you received the warning 'The output df are different from the input, change the control.spar'.

For large data sets do not use expressions, e.g. $cs(x^0.5)$ inside the gamlss function command but evaluate the expression, e.g. $nx=x^0.5$, first and then use cs(nx).

Note

The degrees of freedom df are defined differently from that of the gam() function in S-plus. Here df are the additional degrees of freedom excluding the constant and the linear part of x. For example df=4 in gamlss() is equivalent to df=5 in gam() in S-plus

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See Also

```
gamlss, gamlss.cs, pb, pvc
```

```
# cubic splines example
data(aids)
# fitting a smoothing cubic spline with 7 degrees of freedom
# plus the a quarterly effect
aids1<-gamlss(y~cs(x,df=7)+qrt,data=aids,family=P0) #
aids2<-gamlss(y~scs(x,df=5)+qrt,data=aids,family=P0) #
aids3<-gamlss(y~scs(x)+qrt,data=aids,family=P0) # using GCV
with(aids, plot(x,y))</pre>
```

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```
lines(aids$x,fitted(aids1), col="red")
lines(aids$x,fitted(aids3), col="green")
rm(aids1, aids2, aids3)
```

deviance.gamlss

Global Deviance of a GAMLSS model

Description

Returns the global, -2*log(likelihood), or the penalized, -2*log(likelihood)+ penalties, deviance of a fitted GAMLSS model object.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'gamlss'
deviance(object, what = c("G", "P"), ...)
```

Arguments

 $object \hspace{1cm} a \hspace{1cm} GAMLSS \hspace{1cm} fitted \hspace{1cm} model \\$

what put "G" for Global or "P" for Penalized deviance

... for extra arguments

Details

deviance is a generic function which can be used to extract deviances for fitted models. deviance.gamlss is the method for a GAMLSS object.

Value

The value of the global or the penalized deviance extracted from a GAMLSS object.

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See Also

```
gamlss.family, coef.gamlss, fitted.gamlss
```

Examples

```
data(aids)
h < -gamlss(y \sim poly(x,3) + qrt, family = P0, data = aids) #
deviance(h)
rm(h)
```

dtop

Detrended transformed Owen's plot

Description

Provides single or multiple detrended transformed Owen's plot, Owen (1995), for a GAMLSS fitted objects or any other fitted object which has the method resid(). This is a diagnostic tool for checking whether the normalised quantile residuals are coming from a normal distribution or not. This could be true if the horizontal line is within the confidence intervals.

Usage

```
dtop(object = NULL, xvar = NULL, resid = NULL,
      conf.level = c("95", "99"), n.inter = 4,
      xcut.points = NULL, overlap = 0,
      show.given = TRUE, cex = 1, pch = 21,
      line = TRUE, \dots)
```

Arguments

object	a GAMLSS fitted object or any other fitted object which has the method resid().
xvar	the explanatory variable against which the detrended Owen's plots will be plotted
resid	if the object is not specified the residual vector can be given here
conf.level	95 (default) or 99 percent confidence interval for the plots
n.inter	he number of intervals in which the explanatory variable xvar will be cut
xcut.points	the x-axis cut off points e.g. c(20,30). If xcut.points=NULL then the n.inter argument is activated
overlap	how much overlapping in the xvar intervals. Default value is overlap=0 for non overlapping intervals
show.given	whether to show the x-variable intervals in the top of the graph, default is show.given=TRUE
cex	the cex plotting parameter with default cex=1
pch	the pch plotting parameter with default pch=21
line	whether the detrended empirical cdf should be plotted or not
	for extra arguments

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Details

If the xvar argument is not specified then a single detrended Owen's plot is used, see Owen (1995). In this case the plot is a detrended nonparametric likelihood confidence band for a distribution function. That is, if the horizontal lines lies within the confidence band then the normalised residuals could have come from a Normal distribution and consequently the assumed response variable distribution is reasonable. If the xvar is specified then we have as many plots as n.iter. In this case the x-variable is cut into n.iter intervals with an equal number observations and detrended Owen's plots for each interval are plotted. This is a way of highlighting failures of the model within different ranges of the explanatory variable.

Value

A plot is returned.

Author(s)

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See Also

wp

```
data(abdom)
a<-gamlss(y~pb(x),sigma.fo=~pb(x,1),family=L0,data=abdom)
dtop(a)
dtop(a, xvar=abdom$x)
rm(a)</pre>
```

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edf

Effective degrees of freedom from gamlss model

Description

The functions edf() and edfAll() can be used to obtained the effective degrees of freedom for different additive terms for the distribution parameters in a gamlss model.

Usage

```
edf(obj, what = c("mu", "sigma", "nu", "tau"),
    parameter= NULL, print = TRUE, ...)
edfAll(obj, ...)
```

Arguments

obj A gamlss fitted model

what which of the four parameters mu, sigma, nu or tau.

parameter equivalent to what

print whether to print the label
... for extra arguments

Value

The function edfAll() re turns a list of edf for all the fitted parameters. The function edf() a vector of edf.

Note

The edf given are the ones fitted in the backfitting so the usually contained (depending on the additive term) the containt and the linear part.

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See Also

```
gamlss
```

Examples

```
library(gamlss.data)
data(usair)
m1<- gamlss(y~pb(x1)+pb(x2)+pb(x6), data=usair)
edfAll(m1)
edf(m1)</pre>
```

find.hyper

A function to select values of hyper-parameters in a GAMLSS model

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Description

This function selects the values of hyper parameters and/or non-linear parameters in a GAMLSS model. It uses the R function optim which then minimises the generalised Akaike information criterion (GAIC) with a user defined penalty.

Usage

```
find.hyper(model = NULL, parameters = NULL, other = NULL, k = 2, steps = c(0.1), lower = -Inf, upper = Inf, method = "L-BFGS-B", ...)
```

Arguments

model	this is a GAMLSS model in quote(). e.g. quate(gamlss(y~cs(x,df=p[1]),sigma.fo=~cs(x,df=p[2]),data=abdom)) where p[1] and p[2] denote the parameters to be estimated
parameters	the starting values in the search of the optimum hyper-parameters and/or non-linear parameters e.g. parameters= $c(3,3)$
other	this is used to optimise other non-parameters, for example a transformation of the explanatory variable of the kind $x^{p[3]}$, others=quote(nx<-x^p[3]) where nx is now in the model formula
k	specifies the penalty in the GAIC, (the default is 2) e.g. k=3
steps	the steps taken in the optimisation procedure [see the ndeps option in optim()], by default is set to 0.1 for all hyper parameters and non-linear parameters
lower	the lower permissible level of the parameters i.e. lower=c(1,1) this does not apply if a method other than the default method "L-BFGS-B" is used
upper	the upper permissible level of the parameters i.e. upper=c(30,10), this is not apply if a method other than the default method "L-BFGS-B" is used
method	the method used in optim() to numerically minimise the GAIC over the hyper-parameters and/or non-linear parameters. By default this is "L-BFGS-B" to allow box-restriction on the parameters

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... for extra arguments to be passed to the R function optim() used in the optimisation

Details

This historically was an experimental function which worked well for the search of the optimum degrees of freedom and non-linear parameters (e.g. power parameter λ used to transform x to x^{λ}). With the introduction of the P-Spline smoothing function pb() the function find.hyper() became almost redundant. find.hyper() takes lot longer than pb() to find automatically the hyper parameters while both method produce similar results. See below the examples for a small demonstration.

Value

The function turns the same output as the function optim()

par the optimum hyper-parameter values value the minimised value of the GAIC

counts A two-element integer vector giving the number of calls to 'fn' and 'gr' respec-

ively

convergence An integer code. '0' indicates successful convergence. see the function optim()

for other errors

message A character string giving any additional information returned by the optimiser,

or 'NULL'

Warning

It may be slow to find the optimum

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See Also

gamlss, plot.gamlss, optim

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```
## Not run:
data(abdom)
# Example estimating the smoothing parameters for mu and
# the transformation parameters for x
# declare the model
mod1<-quote(gamlss(y~cs(nx,df=p[1]),family=BCT,data=abdom,</pre>
                        control=gamlss.control(trace=FALSE)))
\# since we want also to find the transformation for x
# we use the "other"" option
op <- find.hyper(model=mod1, other=quote(nx<-x^p[2]), parameters=c(3,0.5),
            lower=c(1,0.001), steps=c(0.1,0.001))
# the optimum parameters found are
\# p = (p[1], p[2]) = (3.113218 \ 0.001000) = (df for mu, lambda)
# so it needs df = 3 on top of the constant and linear
# in the cubic spline model for mu since p[1] is approximately 3
# and log transformation for x since p[2] is approximately 0
# here is an example with no data declaration in define the model
# we have to attach the data
attach(abdom)
mod2 <- quote(gamlss(y~cs(nx,df=p[1]),family=BCT,</pre>
                control=gamlss.control(trace=FALSE)))
op2<-find.hyper(model=mod2, other=quote(nx<-x^p[2]), parameters=c(3,0.5),
                lower=c(1,0.001), steps=c(0.1,0.001))
op2
detach(abdom)
# showing different ways of estimating the smoothing parameter
# get the df using local ML (PQL)
m0 \leftarrow gamlss(y\sim pb(x), data=abdom)
# get the df using local GAIC
m1<-gamlss(y~pb(x, method="GAIC", k=2), data=abdom)</pre>
# fiiting cubic splines with fixed df's at 3
m2<-gamlss(y~cs(x, df=3), data=abdom)</pre>
# fitting cubic splines using find hyper (global GAIC)
mod1 <- quote(gamlss(y~cs(x, df=p[1]),family=BCT,data=abdom,control=gamlss.control(trace=FALSE)))</pre>
op <- find.hyper(model=mod1, parameters=c(3), lower=c(1,0.001), steps=c(0.1,0.001))
# now fit final model
m3 <- gamlss(y~cs(x, df=op$par), data=abdom)</pre>
# effetive degrees of fredom for the 4 models
edf(m0);edf(m1); m2$mu.df; m3$mu.df
# deviances for the four models
deviance(m0); deviance(m1); deviance(m2); deviance(m3)
# their GAIC
GAIC(m0, m1, m2, m3)
# plotting the models
plot(y~x, data=abdom, type="n")
lines(fitted(m3)~abdom$x, col="red")
lines(fitted(m1)~abdom$x, col="green")
lines(fitted(m0)~abdom$x, col="blue")
# almost identical
```

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```
## End(Not run)
```

fitDist

Fits Different Parametric gamlss.family distributions to data

Description

This function is using the function gamlssML() to fit all relevant parametric gamlss.family distributions to a data vector. The final model is the one which is selected by the generalised Akaike information criterion with penalty k.

Usage

Arguments

У	the data vector
k	the penalty for the GAIC with default values k=2 the standard AIC
type	the type of distribution to be tried see details
try.gamlss	if $gamlssML()$ failed whether should try $gamlss$ instead. This will slow up things for big data.
extra	whether extra distribution should be tried which are not in the type list
data	the data frame where y ca be found
	for extra arguments to be passed to gamlssML() to gamlss()

Details

The following are the different type argument:

- realAll all the gamlss.family continuous distributions defined on the real line, i.e. realline
 plus realplus
- reallinethe gamlss.family continuous distributions: "GU", "RG", "LO", "NET", "TF", "PE", "SN1", "SN2", "SHASH", "EGB2", "JSU", "SEP1", "SEP2", "SEP3", "SEP4", "ST1", "ST2", "ST3", "ST4", "ST5", "GT"
- realplus the gamlss.family continuous distributions in the positive leal line: "EXP", "GA", "IG", "LNO", "WEI3", "BCCGo", "exGAUS", "GG", "GIG", "BCTo", "BCPEo"
- real@to1the gamlss.family continuous distributions from 0 to 1: "BE", "BEINF", "BE-INF0", "BEINF1", "BEOI", "BEZI", "GB1"
- countsthe gamlss.family distributions for counts: "PO", "LG", "NBI", "NBII", "PIG", "DEL", "SI", "ZIP", "ZAP", "ZALG", "ZANBI", "ZIP2", "ZIPIG"
- binomthe gamlss.family distributions for binomial type data :"BI", "BB", "ZIBI", "ZIBB", "ZABI", "ZABB"

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Value

A gamlssML object with two extra components:

fits an ordered list according to the GAIC of the fitted distribution failed the distributions where the gamlssML)() (or gamlss()) fits have failed

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See Also

gamlss,gamlssML

```
y <- rt(100, df=1)
m1<-fitDist(y, type="realline")
m1$fits
m1$failed
# an example of using extra
## Not run:
library(gamlss.tr)
data(tensile)
gen.trun(par=1,family="GA", type="right")
gen.trun(par=1,"LOGNO", type="right")
gen.trun(par=c(0,1),"TF", type="both")
ma<-fitDist(str, type="real0to1", extra=c("GAtr", "LOGNOtr", "TFtr"), data=tensile)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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fitted.gamlss

Extract Fitted Values For A GAMLSS Model

Description

fitted.gamlss is the GAMLSS specific method for the generic function fitted which extracts fitted values for a specified parameter from a GAMLSS objects. fitted.values is an alias for it. The function fv() is similar to fitted.gamlls() but allows the argument what not to be character

Usage

Arguments

object a GAMLSS fitted model
obj a GAMLSS fitted model

what which parameter fitted values are required, default what="mu"

parameter equivalent to what ... for extra arguments

Value

Fitted values extracted from the GAMLSS object for the given parameter.

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See Also

```
print.gamlss, summary.gamlss, fitted.gamlss, coef.gamlss, residuals.gamlss, update.gamlss,
plot.gamlss, deviance.gamlss, formula.gamlss
```

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Examples

```
data(aids)
h<-gamlss(y~poly(x,3)+qrt, family=P0, data=aids) #
fitted(h)
rm(h)</pre>
```

fittedPlot

Plots The Fitted Values of a GAMLSS Model

Description

This function, applicable only to a models with a single explanatory variable, plots the fitted values for all the parameters of a GAMLSS model against the (one) explanatory variable. It is also useful for comparing the fits for more than one model.

Usage

```
fittedPlot(object, ..., x = NULL, color = TRUE, line.type = FALSE, xlab = NULL)
```

Arguments

object	a fitted GAMLSS model object(with only one explanatory variable)
• • •	optionally more fitted GAMLSS model objects
X	The unique explanatory variable
color	whether the fitted lines plots are shown in colour, color=TRUE (the default) or not color=FALSE
line.type	whether the line type should be different or not. The default is color=FALSE

xlab the x-label

Value

A plot of the fitted values against the explanatory variable

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See Also

```
gamlss, centiles, centiles.split
```

Examples

```
data(abdom)  h1 <-gamlss(y \sim pb(x), sigma.formula = \sim x, family = BCT, data = abdom) \\  h2 <-gamlss(y \sim pb(x), sigma.formula = \sim pb(x), family = BCT, data = abdom) \\  fittedPlot(h1,h2,x = abdom x) \\  rm(h1,h2)
```

formula.gamlss

Extract the Model Formula in a GAMLSS fitted model

Description

formula.gamlss is the GAMLSS specific method for the generic function formula which extracts the model formula from objects returned by modelling functions.

Usage

Arguments

x a GAMLSS fitted model

what which parameter coefficient is required, default what="mu"

parameter equivalent to what ... for extra arguments

Value

Returns a model formula

Author(s)

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See Also

```
gamlss, deviance.gamlss, fitted.gamlss
```

Examples

```
data(aids)
h<-gamlss(y~poly(x,3)+qrt, family=P0, data=aids) #
formula(h,"mu")
rm(h)</pre>
```

gamlss

Generalized Additive Models for Location Scale and Shape

Description

Returns an object of class "gamlss", which is a generalized additive model for location scale and shape (GAMLSS). The function gamlss() is very similar to the gam() function in S-plus (now also in R in package gam), but can fit more distributions (not only the ones belonging to the exponential family) and can model all the parameters of the distribution as functions of the explanatory variables (e.g. using linear, non-linear, smoothing, loess and random effects terms).

This implementation of gamlss() allows modelling of up to four parameters in a distribution family, which are conventionally called mu, sigma, nu and tau.

The function gamlssNews() shows what is new in the current implementation.

Usage

```
gamlss(formula = formula(data), sigma.formula = ~1,
    nu.formula = ~1, tau.formula = ~1, family = NO(),
    data = sys.parent(), weights = NULL,
    contrasts = NULL, method = RS(), start.from = NULL,
    mu.start = NULL, sigma.start = NULL,
    nu.start = NULL, tau.start = NULL,
    mu.fix = FALSE, sigma.fix = FALSE, nu.fix = FALSE,
    tau.fix = FALSE, control = gamlss.control(...),
    i.control = glim.control(...), ...)
```

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is.gamlss(x)
gamlssNews()

Arguments

formula a formula object, with the response on the left of an ~ operator, and the terms,

separated by + operators, on the right. Nonparametric smoothing terms are indicated by pb() for penalised beta splines, cs for smoothing splines, lo for loess smooth terms and random or ra for random terms, e.g. $y\sim cs(x,df=5)+x1+x2*x3$. Additional smoothers can be added by creating the appropriate interface. Interactions with nonparametric smooth terms are not fully supported, but will not

produce errors; they will simply produce the usual parametric interaction

sigma formula a formula object for fitting a model to the sigma parameter, as in the formula

above, e.g. sigma. formula= \sim cs(x, df=5). It can be abbreviated to sigma. fo= \sim cs(x, df=5).

nu. formula a formula object for fitting a model to the nu parameter, e.g. nu. fo=~x

tau. formula a formula object for fitting a model to the tau parameter, e.g. tau. fo=~cs(x, df=2)

family a gamlss.family object, which is used to define the distribution and the link

functions of the various parameters. The distribution families supported by gamlss() can be found in gamlss.family. Functions such as BI() (binomial) produce a family object. Also can be given without the parentheses i.e. BI.

Family functions can take arguments, as in BI(mu.link=probit)

data a data frame containing the variables occurring in the formula. If this is missing,

the variables should be on the search list. e.g. data=aids

weights a vector of weights. Note that this is not the same as in the glm() or gam()

function. Here weights can be used to weight out observations (like in subset) or for a weighted likelihood analysis where the contribution of the observations to the likelihood differs according to weights. The length of weights must be the same as the number of observations in the data. By default, the weight is set

to one. To set weights to vector w use weights=w

contrasts list of contrasts to be used for some or all of the factors appearing as variables in

the model formula. The names of the list should be the names of the corresponding variables. The elements should either be contrast-type matrices (matrices with as many rows as levels of the factor and with columns linearly independent of each other and of a column of ones), or else they should be functions that

compute such contrast matrices.

method the current algorithms for GAMLSS are RS(), CG() and mixed(). i.e. method=RS()

will use the Rigby and Stasinopoulos algorithm, method=CG() will use the Cole and Green algorithm and mixed(2,10) will use the RS algorithm twice before

switching to the Cole and Green algorithm for up to 10 extra iterations

start.from a fitted GAMLSS model which the fitted values will be used as staring values

for the current model

mu.start vector or scalar of initial values for the location parameter mu e.g. mu.start=4

sigma.start vector or scalar of initial values for the scale parameter sigma e.g. sigma.start=1

nu.start vector or scalar of initial values for the parameter nu e.g. nu.start=3

tau.start vector or scalar of initial values for the location parameter tau e.g. tau.start=2

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mu.fix	whether the mu parameter should be kept fixed in the fitting processes e.g. $\mbox{mu.fix=FALSE}$
sigma.fix	whether the sigma parameter should be kept fixed in the fitting processes e.g. sigma.fix=FALSE
nu.fix	whether the nu parameter should be kept fixed in the fitting processes e.g. nu . fix=FALSE
tau.fix	whether the tau parameter should be kept fixed in the fitting processes e.g. tau.fix=FALSE
control	this sets the control parameters of the outer iterations algorithm. The default setting is the gamlss.control function
i.control	this sets the control parameters of the inner iterations of the RS algorithm. The default setting is the glim.control function
	for extra arguments
X	an object

Details

The Generalized Additive Model for Location, Scale and Shape is a general class of statistical models for a univariate response variable. The model assumes independent observations of the response variable y given the parameters, the explanatory variables and the values of the random effects. The distribution for the response variable in the GAMLSS can be selected from a very general family of distributions including highly skew and/or kurtotic continuous and discrete distributions, see gamlss.family. The systematic part of the model is expanded to allow modelling not only of the mean (or location) parameter, but also of the other parameters of the distribution of y, as linear parametric and/or additive nonparametric (smooth) functions of explanatory variables and/or random effects terms. Maximum (penalized) likelihood estimation is used to fit the (non)parametric models. A Newton-Raphson/Fisher scoring algorithm is used to maximize the (penalized) likelihood. The additive terms in the model are fitted using a backfitting algorithm.

is.gamlss is a short version is is(object, "gamlss")

Value

Returns a gamlss object with components

family the distribution family of the gamlss object (see gamlss.family)
parameters the name of the fitted parameters i.e. mu, sigma, nu, tau
call the call of the gamlss function
y the response variable
control the gamlss fit control settings
weights the vector of weights
G.deviance the global deviance

N the number of observations in the fit

rgres a function to calculate the normalized (randomized) quantile residuals of the

object

iter the number of external iterations in the fitting process

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type	the type of the distribution or the response variable (continuous or discrete)					
method	which algorithm is used for the fit, RS(), CG() or mixed()					
converged	whether the model fitting has have converged					
residuals	the normalized (randomized) quantile residuals of the model					
mu.fv	the fitted values of the mu model, also sigma.fv, nu.fv, tau.fv for the other parameters if present					
mu.lp	the linear predictor of the mu model, also sigma.lp, nu.lp, tau.lp for the other parameters if present					
mu.wv	the working variable of the mu model, also sigma.wv, nu.wv, tau.wv for the other parameters if present					
mu.wt	the working weights of the mu model, also sigma.wt, nu.wt, tau.wt for the other parameters if present					
mu.link	the link function for the mu model, also sigma.link, nu.link, tau.link for the other parameters if present					
mu.terms	the terms for the mu model, also sigma.terms, nu.terms, tau.terms for the other parameters if present					
mu.x	the design matrix for the mu, also sigma.x, nu.x, tau.x for the other parameters if present					
mu.qr	the QR decomposition of the mu model, also sigma.qr, nu.qr, tau.qr for the other parameters if present					
mu.coefficients						
	the linear coefficients of the mu model, also sigma.coefficients, nu.coefficients, tau.coefficients for the other parameters if present					
mu.formula	the formula for the mu model, also sigma.formula, nu.formula, tau.formula for the other parameters if present					
mu.df	the mu degrees of freedom also sigma.df, nu.df, tau.df for the other parameters if present					
mu.nl.df	the non linear degrees of freedom, also sigma.nl.df, nu.nl.df, tau.nl.df for the other parameters if present					
df.fit	the total degrees of freedom use by the model					
df.residual	the residual degrees of freedom left after the model is fitted					
aic	the Akaike information criterion					
sbc	the Bayesian information criterion					

Warning

Respect the parameter hierarchy when you are fitting a model. For example a good model for mu should be fitted before a model for sigma is fitted

Note

The following generic functions can be used with a GAMLSS object: print, summary, fitted, coef, residuals, update, plot, deviance, formula

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See Also

```
gamlss.family, pdf.plot, find.hyper
```

Examples

```
data(abdom)
mod<-gamlss(y~pb(x),sigma.fo=~pb(x),family=BCT, data=abdom, method=mixed(1,20))
plot(mod)
rm(mod)</pre>
```

gamlss.control

Auxiliary for Controlling GAMLSS Fitting

Description

Auxiliary function as user interface for gamlss fitting. Typically only used when calling gamlss function with the option control.

Usage

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Arguments

c.crit	the convergence criterion for the algorithm
n.cyc	the number of cycles of the algorithm
mu.step	the step length for the parameter mu
sigma.step	the step length for the parameter sigma
nu.step	the step length for the parameter nu
tau.step	the step length for the parameter tau
gd.tol	global deviance tolerance level
iter	starting value for the number of iterations, typically set to 0 unless the function refit is used
trace	whether to print at each iteration (TRUE) or not (FALSE)
autostep	whether the steps should be halved automatically if the new global deviance is greater that the old one, the default is autostep=TRUE
save	save=TRUE, (the default), saves all the information on exit. save=FALSE saves only limited information as the global deviance and AIC. For example fitted values, design matrices and additive terms are not saved. The latest is useful when gamlss() is called several times within a procedure.
	for extra arguments

Details

The step length for each of the parameters mu, sigma, nu or tau is very useful to aid convergence if the parameter has a fully parametric model. However using a step length is not theoretically justified if the model for the parameter includes one or more smoothing terms, (even thought it may give a very approximate result).

The c.crit can be increased to speed up the convergence especially for a large set of data which takes longer to fit. When 'trace' is TRUE, calls to the function cat produce the output for each outer iteration.

Value

A list with the arguments as components.

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See Also

```
gamlss
```

Examples

```
\label{eq:data} $$ \ data(aids) $$ h<-gamlss(y\sim poly(x,3)+qrt, family=P0, data=aids) $$ $$ con<-gamlss.control(mu.step=0.1) $$ h<-gamlss(y\sim poly(x,3)+qrt, family=P0, data=aids, control=con) $$ $$ rm(h,con) $$
```

gamlss.cs

Support for Function cs() and scs()

Description

This is support for the functions cs(), and scs(). It is not intended to be called directly by users. The function gamlss.cs is using the R function smooth.spline

Usage

```
gamlss.cs(x, y, w, df = NULL, spar = NULL, xeval = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

X	the design matrix
у	the response variable
W	prior weights
df	effective degrees of freedom
spar	spar the smoothing parameter
xeval	used in prediction
	for extra arguments

Value

Returns a class "smooth.spline" object with

residuals The residuals of the fit fitted.values The smoothing values

var the variance for the fitted smoother

lambda the final value for spar

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nl.df	the smoothing degrees of freedom excluding the constant and linear terms, i.e.
111.01	the smoothing degrees of freedom excluding the constant and fined terms, i.e.

(df-2)

coefSmo this is a list containing among others the knots and the coefficients

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See Also

```
gamlss, cs
```

gamlss.fp	Support for Function fp()

Description

Those are support for the functions fp() and pp. It is not intended to be called directly by users.

Usage

```
gamlss.fp(x, y, w, npoly = 2, xeval = NULL)
gamlss.pp(x, y, w)
```

Arguments

X	the x for function gamlss.fp is referred to the design matric of the specific parameter model (not to be used by the user)
У	the y for function gamlss.fp is referred to the working variable of the specific parameter model (not to be used by the user)
W	the w for function gamlss.fp is referred to the iterative weight variable of the specific parameter model (not to be used by the user)
npoly	a positive indicating how many fractional polynomials should be considered in the fit. Can take the values 1, 2 or 3 with 2 as default
xeval	used in prediction

Value

Returns a list with

fitted.values fitted
residuals
var
nl.df the trace of the smoothing matrix
lambda the value of the smoothing parameter
coefSmo the coefficients from the smoothing fit
varcoeff the variance of the coefficients

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See Also

```
gamlss, fp
```

gamlss.lo

Support for Function lo()

Description

This is support for the loess function lo(). It is not intended to be called directly by users. The function gamlss.lo is calling the R function loess.

Usage

```
gamlss.lo(x, y, w, xeval = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

X	the design matrix
у	the response variable
W	prior weights
xeval	used in prediction

... further arguments passed to or from other methods.

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Value

Returns an object

fitted the smooth values
residuals the residuals
var the variance of the smoother
nl.df the non-linear degrees of freedom
coefSmo with value NULL

lambda the value of span

Author(s)

Mikis Stasinopoulos based on Brian Ripley implementation of loess function in R

See Also

```
gamlss, lo
```

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Support for Functions for smoothers

Description

Those functions are support for the functions pb(), pbo(), ps(), ridge(), ri(), cy(), pvc(), and pbm(). The functions are not intended to be called directly by users.

Usage

```
gamlss.pb(x, y, w, xeval = NULL, ...)
gamlss.pbo(x, y, w, xeval = NULL, ...)
gamlss.ps(x, y, w, xeval = NULL, ...)
gamlss.ridge(x, y, w, xeval = NULL, ...)
gamlss.ri(x, y, w, xeval = NULL, ...)
gamlss.cy(x, y, w, xeval = NULL, ...)
gamlss.pvc(x, y, w, xeval = NULL, ...)
gamlss.pbm(x, y, w, xeval = NULL, ...)
gamlss.pbz(x, y, w, xeval = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

У

x the x for function gamlss.fp is referred to the design matric of the specific parameter model (not to be used by the user)

the y for function gamlss.fp is referred to the working variable of the specific parameter model (not to be used by the user)

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W	the w for function gamlss.fp is referred to the iterative weight variable of the specific parameter model (not to be used by the user)
xeval	used in prediction
	further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

All function return fitted smoothers.

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See Also

```
gamlss, pb, ps, ri,ridge,cy,pvc,pbm
```

gamlss.random

Support for Functions random() and re()

Description

This is support for the functions random() and re() respectively. It is not intended to be called directly by users. .

Usage

```
gamlss.random(x, y, w)
gamlss.re(x, y, w, xeval = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

X	the explanatory design matrix
у	the response variable
W	iterative weights
xeval	it used internaly for prediction
	for extra arguments

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Value

Returns a list with

y the fitted values residuals the residuals

var the variance of the fitted values

lambda the final lambda, the smoothing parameter

coefSmo with value NULL

Author(s)

Mikis Stasinopoulos, based on Trevor Hastie function gam. random

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See Also

gamlss, random

gamlss.scope Generate a Scope Argument for Stepwise GAMLSS

Description

Generates a scope argument for a stepwise GAMLSS.

Usage

```
gamlss.scope(frame, response = 1, smoother = "cs", arg = NULL, form = TRUE)
```

Arguments

frame a data or model frame

response which variable is the response; the default is the first

smoother what smoother to use; default is cs

arg any additional arguments required by the smoother

form should a formula be returned (default), or else a character version of the formula

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Details

Each formula describes an ordered regimen of terms, each of which is eligible on their own for inclusion in the gam model. One of the terms is selected from each formula by step.gam. If a 1 is selected, that term is omitted.

Value

a list of formulas is returned, one for each column in frame (excluding the response). For a numeric variable, say x1, the formula is

```
\sim 1 + x1 + cs(x1)
```

If x1 is a factor, the last smooth term is omitted.

Author(s)

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See Also

```
stepGAIC
```

```
data(usair)
gs1<-gamlss.scope(model.frame(y~x1+x2+x3+x4+x5+x6, data=usair))
gs2<-gamlss.scope(model.frame(usair))
gs1
gs2
gs3<-gamlss.scope(model.frame(usair), smooth="fp", arg="3")
gs3</pre>
```

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 ${\tt gamlssML}$

Maximum Likelihood estimation of a simple GAMLSS model

Description

This is a function for fitting a gamlss.family distribution to single data set using a non linear maximisation algorithm in R. This is relevant only when there are not explanatory variables.

Usage

```
gamlssML(y, family = NO, weights = NULL, mu.start = NULL,
sigma.start = NULL, nu.start = NULL, tau.start = NULL,
mu.fix = FALSE, sigma.fix = FALSE, nu.fix = FALSE,
tau.fix = FALSE, data = NULL, start.from = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

У	a vector of data requiring the fit of a gamlss.family distribution or a formula, for example, y~1 (explanatory variables are ignored).
family	gamlss.family object, which is used to define the distribution and the link functions of the various parameters. The distribution families supported by gamlssML() can be found in gamlss.family
weights	a vector of weights. Here weights can be used to weight out observations (like in subset) or for a weighted likelihood analysis where the contribution of the observations to the likelihood differs according to weights. The length of weights must be the same as the number of observations in the data. By default, the weight is set to one. To set weights to vector w use weights=w
mu.start	a scalar of initial values for the location parameter mu e.g. mu.start=4
sigma.start	a scalar of initial values for the scale parameter sigma e.g. sigma.start=1
nu.start	scalar of initial values for the parameter nu e.g. nu.start=3
tau.start	scalar of initial values for the parameter tau e.g. tau.start=3
mu.fix	whether the mu parameter should be kept fixed in the fitting processes e.g. mu.fix=FALSE
sigma.fix	whether the sigma parameter should be kept fixed in the fitting processes e.g. sigma.fix=FALSE
nu.fix	whether the nu parameter should be kept fixed in the fitting processes e.g. nu . fix=FALSE
tau.fix	whether the tau parameter should be kept fixed in the fitting processes e.g. tau.fix=FALSE
data	a data frame containing the variable y. If this is missing, the variable should be on the search list. e.g. data=aids
start.from	a gamlss object to start from the fitting or vector of length as many parameters in the distribution
	for extra arguments

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Details

This function which fits a gamlss.family distribution to a single data set is using a non linear maximisation. in fact it uses the internal function MLE() which is a copy of the mle() function of package stat4. The function gamlssML() could be for large data faster than the equivalent gamlss() function which is designed for regression type of models.

Value

Returns a gamlssML object which behaves like a gamlss fitted objected

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See Also

```
gamlss.family, gamlss
```

```
#----- negative binomial 1000 observations
v<- rNBI(1000)</pre>
 system.time(m1<-gamlss(y~1, family=NBI))</pre>
  system.time(m1a<-gamlss(y~1, family=NBI, trace=FALSE))</pre>
system.time(m11<-gamlssML(y, family=NBI))</pre>
AIC(m1, m1a, m11, k=0)
# neg. binomial
                   n=10000
 y<- rNBI(10000)
 system.time(m1 < -gamlss(y^1, family=NBI))
  system.time(m1a<-gamlss(y~1, family=NBI, trace=FALSE))</pre>
system.time(m11<-gamlssML(y, family=NBI))</pre>
AIC(m1, m1a, m11, k=0)
# binomial type data
data(aep)
m1 <- gamlssML(aep$y, family=BB) # ok
m2 <- gamlssML(y, data=aep, family=BB) # ok
m3 <- gamlssML(y~1, data=aep, family=BB) # ok but not
#gamlssML(aep$y~1, family=BB)
```

gamlssVGD

A Set of Functions for selecting Models using Validation or Test Data Sets and Cross = Validation

Description

This is a set of function useful for selecting appropriate models.

The functions gamlssVGD, VGD, getTGD, TGD can be used when a subset of the data is used for validation or testing.

The function stepVGD() is a stepwise procedure for selecting an appropriate model for any of the parameters of the model minimising the test global deviance. The function stepVGDA11.A() can select a model using strategy A for all the parameters.

The functions gamlssCV, CV can be used for a k-fold cross validation.

Usage

```
gamlssVGD(formula = NULL, sigma.formula = ~1, nu.formula = ~1,
          tau.formula = ~1, data = NULL, family = NO,
          control = gamlss.control(trace = FALSE),
          rand = NULL, newdata = NULL, ...)
VGD(object, ...)
getTGD(object, newdata = NULL, ...)
TGD(object, ...)
gamlssCV(formula = NULL, sigma.formula = ~1, nu.formula = ~1,
         tau.formula = ~1, data = NULL, family = NO,
         control = gamlss.control(trace = FALSE),
         K.fold = 10, set.seed = 123, rand = NULL,
         parallel = c("no", "multicore", "snow"),
         ncpus = 1L, cl = NULL, ...)
CV(object, ...)
drop1TGD(object, scope, newdata, parameter = c("mu", "sigma", "nu", "tau"),
         sorted = FALSE, trace = FALSE,
         parallel = c("no", "multicore", "snow"),
         ncpus = 1L, cl = NULL, ...)
add1TGD(object, scope, newdata, parameter = c("mu", "sigma", "nu", "tau"),
        sorted = FALSE, trace = FALSE,
       parallel = c("no", "multicore", "snow"),
```

Arguments

trace

A gamlss mu formula. formula sigma.formula Formula for sigma. nu.formula Formula for nu. tau.formula Formula for tau. data The data frame required for the fit. The gamlss.family distribution. family control The control for fitting the gamlss model. rand For gamlssVGD a variable with values 1 (for fitting) and 2 (for predicting). For gamlssCV a variable with k values indicating the cross validation sets. newdata The new data set (validation or test) for prediction. object A relevant R object. defines the range of models examined in the stepwise selection similar to stepGAIC() scope where you can see examples sigma.scope defines the range of models examined in the stepwise selection for sigma nu.scope defines the range of models examined in the stepwise selection for nu defines the range of models examined in the stepwise selection for tau tau.scope mu.try whether should try fitting models for mu whether should try fitting models for sigma sigma.try whether should try fitting models for nu nu.try whether should try fitting models for tau tau.try parameter which distribution parameter is required, default what="mu" sorted should the results be sorted on the value of TGD

f TRUE additional information may be given on the fits as they are tried.

direction The mode of stepwise search, can be one of both, backward, or forward, with

a default of both. If the scope argument is missing the default for direction is

backward

keep see stepGAIC() for explanation

steps the maximum number of steps to be considered. The default is 1000.

K. fold the number of subsets of the data usedset. seed the seed to be used in creating rand

parallel The type of parallel operation to be used (if any). If missing, the default is "no".

ncpus integer: number of processes to be used in parallel operation: typically one

would chose this to the number of available CPUs.

cl An optional parallel or snow cluster for use if parallel = "snow". If not

supplied, a cluster on the local machine is created for the duration of the call.

.. further arguments to be pass in the gamlss fit

Details

The function gamlssVGD() fits a gamlss model to the training data set determined by the arguments rand or newdata. The results is a gamlssVGD objects which contains the gamlss fit to the training data plus three extra components: i) VGD the global deviance applied to the validation data sets. ii) predictError which is VGD divided with the number of observations in the validation data set and iii) residVal the residuals for the validation data set.

The function VGD() extract the validated global deviance from one or more fitted gamlssVGD objects and can be used foe model comparison.

The function getTGD() operates different from the function gamlssVGD(). It assumes that the users already have fitted models using gamlss() and now he/she wants to evaluate the global deviance at a new (validation or test) data set.

The function TGD() extract the validated/test global deviance from one or more fitted gamlssTGD objects and can be use to compare models.

The gamlssCV() performs a k-fold cross validation on a gamlss models.

The function CV() extract the cross validated global deviance from one or more fitted gamlssCV objects and can be use to compare models.

The functions add1TGD(), drop1TGD() and stepTGD behave similar to add1(), drop1() and stepGAIC() functions respectively but they used validation or test deviance as the selection criterion rather than the GAIC.

Value

A fitted models of a set of global deviances.

Author(s)

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See Also

stepGAIC

```
data(abdom)
# generate the random split of the data
rand <- sample(2, 610, replace=TRUE, prob=c(0.6,0.4))
# the proportions in the sample
table(rand)/610
olddata<-abdom[rand==1,] # training data
newdata<-abdom[rand==2,] # validation data</pre>
# gamlssVGD
# Using rand
v1 <- gamlssVGD(y~pb(x,df=2),sigma.formula=~pb(x,df=1), data=abdom, family=NO,
             rand=rand)
v2 \leftarrow gamlssVGD(y\sim pb(x,df=2), sigma.formula=\sim pb(x,df=1), data=abdom, family=L0,
             rand=rand)
v3 <- gamlssVGD(y~pb(x,df=2),sigma.formula=~pb(x,df=1), data=abdom, family=TF,
             rand=rand)
VGD(v1, v2, v3)
## Not run:
# using two data set
v11 <- gamlssVGD(y^pb(x,df=2), sigma.formula=pb(x,df=1), data=olddata,
                 family=NO, newdata=newdata)
v12 \leftarrow gamlssVGD(y\sim pb(x,df=2), sigma.formula=\sim pb(x,df=1), data=olddata,
                family=L0, newdata=newdata)
v13 <- gamlssVGD(y\sim pb(x,df=2), sigma.formula=pb(x,df=1), data=olddata,
                family=TF, newdata=newdata)
VGD(v11,v12,v13)
# function getTGD
#-----
```

```
# fit gamlss models first
g1 <- gamlss(y \sim pb(x, df=2), sigma.formula=pb(x, df=1), data=olddata, family=NO)
g2 \leftarrow gamlss(y\sim pb(x,df=2),sigma.formula=\sim pb(x,df=1), data=olddata, family=L0)
g3 <- gamlss(y~pb(x,df=2),sigma.formula=~pb(x,df=1), data=olddata, family=TF)
# and then use
gg1 <-getTGD(g1, newdata=newdata)</pre>
gg2 <-getTGD(g2, newdata=newdata)
gg3 <-getTGD(g3, newdata=newdata)
TGD(gg1,gg2,gg3)
#-----
# function gamlssCV
set.seed(123)
rand1 <- sample (10 , 610, replace=TRUE)</pre>
g1 <- gamlssCV(y \sim pb(x, df=2), sigma.formula=\sim pb(x, df=1), data=abdom, family=NO,
               rand=rand1)
g2 \leftarrow gamlssCV(y\sim pb(x,df=2),sigma.formula=\sim pb(x,df=1), data=abdom, family=LO,
               rand=rand1)
g3 <- gamlssCV(y\sim pb(x,df=2), sigma.formula=\sim pb(x,df=1), data=abdom, family=TF,
               rand=rand1)
CV(g1,g2,g3)
CV(g1)
# using parallel
set.seed(123)
rand1 <- sample (10 , 610, replace=TRUE)</pre>
nC <- detectCores()</pre>
system.time(g21 <- gamlssCV(y^pb(x,df=2), sigma.formula=^pb(x,df=1), data=abdom,\\
             family=NO, rand=rand1,parallel = "no", ncpus = nC ))
system.time(g22 <- gamlssCV(y^pb(x,df=2), sigma.formula=pb(x,df=1), data=abdom,
             family=L0, rand=rand1,parallel = "multicore", ncpus = nC ))
system.time(g23 \leftarrow gamlssCV(y\sim pb(x,df=2), sigma.formula=\sim pb(x,df=1), data=abdom,
             family=TF, rand=rand1,parallel = "snow", ncpus = nC ))
CV(g21,g22,g23)
# functions add1TGD() drop1TGD() and stepTGD()
# the data
rand <- sample(2, dim(rent)[1], replace=TRUE, prob=c(0.6,0.4))</pre>
# the proportions in the sample
table(rand)/dim(rent)[1]
oldrent<-rent[rand==1,] # training set
newrent<-rent[rand==2,] # validation set</pre>
# null model
v0 <- gamlss(R~1, data=oldrent, family=GA)
```

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```
# complete model
v1 <- gamlss(R~pb(Fl)+pb(A)+H+loc, sigma.fo=~pb(Fl)+pb(A)+H+loc,
             data=oldrent, family=GA)
# drop1TGDP
system.time(v3<- drop1TGD(v1, newdata=newrent, parallel="no"))</pre>
system.time(v4<- drop1TGD(v1, newdata=newrent, parallel="multicore",
                          ncpus=nC) )
system.time(v5<- drop1TGD(v1, newdata=newrent, parallel="snow", ncpus=nC))
cbind(v3, v4, v5)
# add1TGDP
system.time(d3<- add1TGD(v0,scope=pb(F1)+pb(A)+H+loc, newdata=newrent,
                       parallel="no"))
system.time(d4<- add1TGD(v0,scope=~pb(F1)+pb(A)+H+loc, newdata=newrent,
                        parallel="multicore", ncpus=nC) )
system.time(d5 <- add1TGD(v0, scope=~pb(F1)+pb(A)+H+loc, newdata=newrent,\\
                        parallel="snow", ncpus=nC))
# stepTGD
system.time(d6<- stepTGD(v0, scope=~pb(Fl)+pb(A)+H+loc,newdata=newrent))
system.time(d7<- stepTGD(v0, scope=pb(F1)+pb(A)+H+loc, newdata=newrent,
                         parallel="multicore", ncpus=nC))
system.time(d8<- stepTGD(v0, scope=~pb(F1)+pb(A)+H+loc,newdata=newrent,</pre>
                         parallel="snow", ncpus=nC))
## End(Not run)
```

gen.likelihood

A function to generate the likelihood function from a GAMLSS object

Description

This function generate a function with argument the parameters of the GAMLSS model which can evaluate the log-likelihood function.

Usage

```
gen.likelihood(object)
```

Arguments

object

A gamlss fitted model

Details

The purpose of this function is to help the function vcov() to get he right Hessian matrix after a model has fitted. Note that at the momment smoothing terms are consideted as fixed.

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Value

A function of the log-likelihood

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See Also

vcov

Examples

```
data(aids)
m1 <- gamlss(y~x+qrt, data=aids, family=NBI)
logL<-gen.likelihood(m1)
logL()
logLik(m1)</pre>
```

getSmo

Extracting Smoother information from a GAMLSS fitted object

Description

The function getSmo() extracts information from a fitted smoothing additive term.

Usage

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Arguments

object a GAMLSS fitted model

what which distribution parameter is required, default what="mu"

parameter equivalent to what which which smoothing term

Details

This function facilitates the extraction of information from a fitted additive terms. For example getSmo(m1, "sigma", 2) is equivalent of m1\$sigma.coefSmo[[2]]. To get the actual fitted values type m1\$sigma.s[[2]]

Value

A list containing information about a fitted smoother or a fitted objects

Author(s)

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```
data(usair)
t1<-gamlss(y~x1+pb(x5)+pb(x6), data=usair, family=GA)
# get the value for lambda for the second fitted term in mu
getSmo(t1, parameter="mu", 2)$lambda</pre>
```

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Auxiliary for Controlling the inner algorithm in a GAMLSS Fitting

Description

Auxiliary function used for the inner iteration of gamlss algorithm. Typically only used when calling gamlss function through the option i.control.

Usage

Arguments

СС	the convergence criterion for the algorithm
сус	the number of cycles of the algorithm
glm.trace	whether to print at each iteration (TRUE) or not (FALSE)
bf.cyc	the number of cycles of the backfitting algorithm
bf.tol	the convergence criterion (tolerance level) for the backfitting algorithm
bf.trace	whether to print at each iteration (TRUE) or not (FALSE, the default)
	for extra arguments

Value

A list with the arguments as components

Author(s)

References

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See Also

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Examples

```
data(aids)
con<-glim.control(glm.trace=TRUE)
h<-gamlss(y~poly(x,3)+qrt, family=P0, data=aids, i.control=con) #
rm(h,con)</pre>
```

histDist This function plots the histogram and a fitted (GAMLSS family) distribution to a variable

Description

This function fits constants to the parameters of a GAMLSS family distribution and them plot the histogram and the fitted distribution.

Usage

Arguments

У	a vector for the response variable
family	a gamlss.family distribution
freq	the frequencies of the data in y if exist. freq is used as weights in the gamlss fit
density	default value is FALSE. Change to TRUE if you would like a non-parametric density plot together with the parametric fitted distribution plot (for continuous variable only)
nbins	The suggested number of bins (argument passed to truehist() of package MASS). Either a positive integer, or a character string naming a rule: "Scott" or "Freedman-Diaconis" or "FD". (Case is ignored.)
xlim	the minimum and the maximum x-axis value (if the default values are out of range)
ylim	the minimum and the maximum y-axis value (if the default values are out of range)
main	the main title for the plot
xlab	the label in the x-axis
ylab	the label in the y-axis
data	the data.frame
	for extra arguments to be passed to the gamlss function

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Details

This function first fits constants for each parameters of a GAMLSS distribution family using the gamlss function and them plots the fitted distribution together with the appropriate plot according to whether the y variable is of a continuous or discrete type. Histogram is plotted for continuous and barplot for discrete variables. The function truehist of Venables and Ripley's MASS package is used for the histogram plotting.

Value

returns a plot

Author(s)

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See Also

```
gamlss, gamlss.family
```

```
data(abdom)
histDist(y,family="NO", data=abdom)
# use the ylim
histDist(y,family="NO", ylim=c(0,0.005), data=abdom)
# bad fit use PE
histDist(y,family="PE",ymax=0.005, data=abdom)
# discere data counts
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y <- c(0,1,2,3,4,6,7,8,10,11)
freq <- c(33,12,5,6,5,2,2,2,1,2)
histDist(y, "NBI", freq=freq)
# the same as
histDist(rep(y,freq), "NBI")</pre>
```

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Density estimation using the Poisson trick

Description

This set of functions use the old Poisson trick of discretising the data and then fitting a Poisson error model to the resulting frequencies (Lindsey, 1997). Here the model fitted is a smooth cubic spline curve. The result is a density estimator for the data.

Usage

Arguments

y the variable of interest	
lambda the smoothing parameter	
df the degrees of freedom	
order the order of the P-spline	
lower the lower limit of the y-variable	
upper the upper limit of the y-variable	
type the type of histogram	
plot whether to plot the resulting density estimator	
breaks the number of break points to be used in the histogram and consequently number of observations in the Poisson fit	ently the
discrete whether to treat the fitting density as a discrete distribution or not	
further arguments passed to or from other methods.	

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Details

Here are the methods used here:

i) The function histSmoO() uses Penalised discrete splines (Eilers, 2003). This function is appropriate when the smoothing parameter is fixed.

- ii) The function histSmoC() uses smooth cubic splines and fits a Poison error model to the frequencies using the cs() additive function of GAMLSS. This function is appropriate if the effective degrees of freedom are fixed in the model.
- iii) The function histSmoP() uses Penalised cubic splines (Eilers and Marx 1996). It is fitting a Poisson model to the frequencies using the pb() additive function of GAMLSS. This function is appropriate if automatic selection of the smoothing parameter is required.
- iv) The function histSmo() combines all the above functions in the sense that if lambda is fixed it uses histSmoO(), if the df's are fixed it uses codehistSmoC() and if none of these is specified it uses histSmoP().

Value

Returns a histSmo S3 object. The object has the following components:

V	the middle	noints of	the	discretise	data
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counts how many observation are on the discretise intervals

density the density value for each discrete interval hist the hist object used to discretise the data

cdf The resulting cumulative distribution function useful for calculating probabili-

ties from the estimate density

nvcdf The inverse cumulative distribution function

model The fitted Poisson model only for histSmoP() and histSmoC()

Author(s)

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See Also

pb, cs

```
# creating data from Pareto 2 distribution
set.seed(153)
Y <- rPARETO2(1000)
## Not run:
# getting the density
histSmo(Y, lower=0, plot=TRUE)
# more breaks a bit slower
histSmo(Y, breaks=200, lower=0, plot=TRUE)
# quick fit using lambda
histSmoO(Y, lambda=1, breaks=200, lower=0, plot=TRUE)
histSmo(Y, lambda=1, breaks=200, lower=0, plot=TRUE)
# quick fit using df
histSmoC(Y, df=15, breaks=200, lower=0,plot=TRUE)
histSmo(Y, df=15, breaks=200, lower=0)
# saving results
m1<- histSmo(Y, lower=0, plot=T)</pre>
plot(m1)
plot(m1, "cdf")
plot(m1, "invcdf")
# using with a histogram
library(MASS)
truehist(Y)
lines(m1, col="red")
#-----
# now gererate from SHASH distribution
YY \leftarrow rSHASH(1000)
m1<- histSmo(YY)
# calculate Pr(YY>10)
1-m1$cdf(10)
# calculate Pr(-10<YY<10)</pre>
1-(1-m1$cdf(10))-m1$cdf(-10)
#-----
# from discrete distribution
YYY <- rNBI(1000, mu=5, sigma=4)
histSmo(YYY, discrete=TRUE, plot=T)
YYY <- rPO(1000, mu=5)
histSmo(YYY, discrete=TRUE, plot=T)
YYY <- rNBI(1000, mu=5, sigma=.1)
histSmo(YYY, discrete=TRUE, plot=T)
# genarating from beta distribution
YYY <- rBE(1000, mu=.1, sigma=.3)
histSmo(YYY, lower=0, upper=1, plot=T)
# from trucated data
```

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```
Y <- with(stylo, rep(word,freq))
histSmo(Y, lower=1, discrete=TRUE, plot=T)
histSmo(Y, lower=1, discrete=TRUE, plot=T, type="prob")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

IC

Gives the GAIC for a GAMLSS Object

Description

IC is a function to calculate the Generalised Akaike information criterion (GAIC) for a given penalty k for a fitted GAMLSS object. The function AIC. gamlss is the method associated with a GAMLSS object of the generic function AIC. The function GAIC is a synonymous of the function AIC. gamlss. The function extractAIC is a the method associated a GAMLSS object of the generic function extractAIC and it is mainly used in the stepAIC function. The function Rsq compute a generalisation of the R-squared for not normal models.

Usage

```
IC(object, k = 2)
## S3 method for class 'gamlss'
AIC(object, ..., k = 2, c = FALSE)
GAIC(object, ..., k = 2, c = FALSE )
## S3 method for class 'gamlss'
extractAIC(fit, scale, k = 2, c = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

object	an gamlss fitted model
fit	an gamlss fitted model
	allows several GAMLSS object to be compared using a GAIC
k	the penalty with default k=2.5
С	whether the corrected AIC, i.e. AICc, should be used, note that it applies only when k=2
scale	this argument is not used in gamlss

Value

The function IC returns the GAIC for given penalty k of the GAMLSS object. The function AIC returns a matrix contains the df's and the GAIC's for given penalty k. The function GAIC returns identical results to AIC. The function extractAIC returns vector of length two with the degrees of freedom and the AIC criterion.

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See Also

gamlss

Examples

```
data(abdom)
mod1<-gamlss(y~pb(x),sigma.fo=~pb(x),family=BCT, data=abdom)
IC(mod1)
mod2<-gamlss(y~pb(x),sigma.fo=~x,family=BCT, data=abdom)
AIC(mod1,mod2,k=3)
GAIC(mod1,mod2,k=3)
extractAIC(mod1,k=3)
rm(mod1,mod2)</pre>
```

1ms

A function to fit LMS curves for centile estimation

Description

This function is design to help the user to easily construct growth curve centile estimation. It is applicable when only "one" explanatory variable is available (usually age).

Usage

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Arguments

The response variable У The unique explanatory variable Х families a list of gamlss.families with default LMS=c("BCCGo", "BCPEo", "BCTo") data the data frame k the penalty to be used in the GAIC a vector with elements the % centile values for which the centile curves have to cent be evaluated calibration whether calibration is required with default TRUE trans.x whether to check for transformation in x with default FALSE fix.power if set it fix the power of the transformation for x lim.trans the limits for the search of the power parameter for x prof whether to use the profile GAIC of the power tranformation step if codeprof=TRUE is used this determine the step for the profile GAIC legend whether a legend is required in the plot with default FALSE mu.df mu effective degrees of freedom if required otherwise are estimated sigma.df sigma effective degrees of freedom if required otherwise are estimated nu.df nu effective degrees of freedom if required otherwise are estimated tau.df tau effective degrees of freedom if required otherwise are estimated

c.crit the convergence critetion to be pass to gamlss()

method.pb the method used in the pb() for estimating the smoothing parameters. The de-

fault is local maximum likelihood "ML". "GAIC" is also permitted where k is

taken from the k argument of the function.

... extra argument which can be passed to gamlss()

Details

This function should be used if the construction of the centile curves involves only one explanatory variable.

The model assumes that the response variable has a flexible distribution i.e. $y \, D(\mu, \sigma, \nu, \tau)$ where the parameters of the distribution are smooth functions of the explanatory variable i.e. $g(\mu) = s(x)$, where g() is a link function and s() is a smooth function. Occasionally a power transformation in the x-axis helps the construction of the centile curves. That is, in this case the parameters are modelled by x^p rather than just x, i.e. $g(\mu) = s(x^p)$. The function lms() uses P-splines (pb()) as a smoother.

If a transformation is needed for x the function lms() starts by finding an optimum value for p using the simple model $NO(\mu=s(x^p))$. (Note that this value of p is not the optimum for the final chosen model but it works well in practice.)

After fitting a Normal error model for staring values the function proceeds by fitting several "appropriate" distributions for the response variable. The set of gamlss.family distributions to fit is specified by the argument families. The default families arguments is LMS=c("BCCGO", "BCPEO", "BCTO")

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that is the LMS class of distributions, Cole and Green (1992). Note that this class is only appropriate when y is positive (with no zeros). If the response variable contains negative values and zeros then use the argument families=theSHASH where theSHASH <- c("NO", "SHASHo") or add any other list of distributions which you may think is appropriate. Justification of using the specific centile (0.38 2.27 9.1211220 25.25, 50, 74.75, 90.88, 97.72, 99.62) is given in Cole (1994).

Value

It returns a gamlss fitted object

Note

The function is fitting several models and for large data can be slow

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See Also

```
gamlss, centiles, calibration
```

```
## Not run:
data(abdom)
m1 <- lms(y,x , data=abdom, n.cyc=30)
m2 <- lms(y,x ,data=abdom, method.pb="GAIC", k=log(610))
# this example takes time
data(db)
m1 <- lms(y=head, x=age, data=db, trans.x=TRUE)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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Specify a loess fit in a GAMLSS formula

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Description

Allows the user to specify a loess fit within a GAMLSS model. This function is similar to the lo function in the gam implementation of package gam see Chambers and Hastie (1991).

The function vis.lo() allows plotting the results.

Usage

Arguments

formula	a formula specifying the explanatory variables
control	a control to be passed to the loess function
	extra arguments
span	the number of observations in a neighbourhood. This is the smoothing parameter for a loess fit.
enp.target	an alternative way to specify span, as the approximate equivalent number degrees of freedom to be used. See also the help file of the R function loess. For consistency with the older version of 10 the effective degrees of freedom df can be also specified instead of span, e.g. df=5
degree	the degree of local polynomial; can be 1 or 2. See also the help file of loess
parametric	should any terms be fitted globally rather than locally? See the help file of loess
drop.square	for fits with more than one predictor and degree=2, should the quadratic term be dropped for particular predictors?. See also help file of loess
normalize	should the predictors be normalized to a common scale if there is more than one? See the help file of loess

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family	if "gaussian" fitting is by least-squares, and if "symmetric" a re-descending M estimator is used with Tukey's biweight function. See the help file of loess
method	fit the model or just extract the model frame. See the help file of loess
surface	should the fitted surface be computed exactly or via interpolation from a kd tree? See also the help file of loess.control
statistics	should the statistics be computed exactly or approximately? See the help file of loess.control
trace.hat	should the trace of the smoother matrix be computed exactly or approximately? See the help file of loess.control
cell	if interpolation is used this controls the accuracy of the approximation via the maximum number of points in a cell in the kd tree. See the help file of loess.control
iterations	the number of iterations used in robust fitting. See the help file of loess.control
iterTrace	logical (or integer) determining if tracing information during the robust iterations (iterations>= 2) is produced. See the help file of loess.control
obj	an lowss object fitted within gamlss
se	if se>0 then stadard erros surfanes are drawn in the 3-dimentional plot. Set se at the required level i.e se=1.96 will be an approximated 95% CI.
rug	whether to plot a rug in the plot
partial.resid	whether to plot the partial residuals
col.term	the colour of the line of fitted term
cex.res	the shading of standard
col.shaded	the shading of standard error intervals
col.res	the colour of partial residuals
col.rug	the colour of the rug
lwd.term	the width of the line
pch.res	The character for the partial residuals
type	The type of the plot if the x's are two dimensional
col.surface	the colour of the fitted surface
nlevels	the number of levels used in cotour() plot.
n.grid	The number of points to evaluate the surface
image	whether to use image() or just contour

Details

Note that lo itself does no smoothing; it simply sets things up for the function gamlss.lo() which is used by the backfitting function gamlss.add().

Value

a loess object is returned.

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Warning

In this version the first argument is a formula NOT a list as in the previous one

Note

Note that lo itself does no smoothing; it simply sets things up for gamlss.lo() to do the backfitting.

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See Also

```
cs, random,
```

```
# fitting a loess curve with span=0.4 plus the a quarterly effect
aids1<-gamlss(y~lo(~x,span=0.4)+qrt,data=aids,family=PO) #
term.plot(aids1, page=1)
## Not run:
r1 <- gamlss(R~lo(~Fl)+lo(~A), data=rent, family=GA)
term.plot(r1, pages=1)
vis.lo(getSmo(r1, which=1), partial=T)
r2 <- gamlss(R~lo(~Fl+A), data=rent, family=GA)
term.plot(r2, pages=1)
vis.lo(getSmo(r2, which=1))
vis.lo(getSmo(r2, which=1), se=1.97)
vis.lo(getSmo(r2, which=1), partial.res=T)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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loglogSurv	Log-Log Survival function plots for checking the tail behaviour of the data
	data

Description

The log-log Survival functions are design for checking the tails of a single response variable (no explanatory should be involved). There are three different function:

- a) the function loglogSurv1() which plot the (left or right) tails of the empirical log-log Survival function against loglog(y), where y is the variable of interest. The coefficient of a linear fit to the plot can be used an estimated for Type I tails.
- b) the function loglogSurv2() which plot the (left or right) tails of the empirical log-log Survival function against log(y). The coefficient of a linear fit to the plot can be used an estimated for Type II tails.
- c) the function loglogSurv3() which plot the (left or right) tails of the empirical log-log Survival function against y. The coefficient of a linear fit to the plot can be used an an estimated for Type III tails.

The function loglogSurv() combines all the above functions.

The function logSurv() is also design for exploring the tails of a single response variable. It plots the empirical log-survival function against log(y) for specified percentage of the tail and fits a linear, quadratic and exponential curve to the points of the plot. For distributions defined on the positive real line a good linear fit would indicate a Pareto type tail, a good quadratic fit a log-normal type tail and good exponential fit a Weibull type tail. Note that this function is only appropriate to investigate rather heavy tails and it is not very good to discriminate between different type of tails, as the loglogSurv().

Usage

Arguments

```
y a vector, the variable of interest

percentage what percentage of the tail need to be modelled, default is 10%
```

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howmany	how many observations	in the tail needed.	This is an	alternative to percentage.
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If it specified it take over from the percentage argument otherwise percentage

is used.

type which tall needs checking the right (default) of the left

plot whether to plot with default equal TRUE

print whether to print the coefficients with default equal TRUE

save whether to save the fitted linear model with default equal FALSE

Details

The functions loglogSurv1(), loglogSurv3() and loglogSurv3() take the upper (or lower) part of an ordered variable create its empirical survival function and plot the log-log of this functions against log(log(y)), log(y) and y respectively. Then they fit a line to the plot. The coefficients of the line can be interpreted as parameters determined the behaviour of the tail. More details can be found in Chapter 6 of "The Distribution Toolbox of GAMLSS" book which can be found in http://www.gamlss.org/)

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A plot

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```
data(film90)
F90 <- film90$borev0
op<-par(mfrow=c(3,1))
loglogSurv1(F90)
loglogSurv2(F90)
loglogSurv3(F90)
par(op)
loglogSurv(F90)</pre>
```

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lpred	Extract Linear Predictor Values and Standard Errors For A GAMLSS Model

Description

lpred is the GAMLSS specific method which extracts the linear predictor and its (approximate) standard errors for a specified parameter from a GAMLSS objects. The lpred can be also used to extract the fitted values (with its approximate standard errors) or specific terms in the model (with its approximate standard errors) in the same way that the predict.lm() and predict.glm() functions can be used for lm or glm objects. The function lp extract only the linear predictor. If prediction is required for new data values then use the function predict.gamlss().

Usage

Arguments

obj a GAMLSS fitted model	
what which distribution parameter is required, default what="mu"	
parameter equivalent to what	
type type="link" (the default) gets the linear predictor for the specified distril tion parameter. type="response" gets the fitted values for the parameter when type="terms" gets the fitted terms contribution	
terms if type="terms", which terms to be selected (default is all terms)	
se.fit if TRUE the approximate standard errors of the appropriate type are extracted	d
for extra arguments	

Value

If se.fit=FALSE a vector (or a matrix) of the appropriate type is extracted from the GAMLSS object for the given parameter in what. If se.fit=TRUE a list containing the appropriate type, fit, and its (approximate) standard errors, se.fit.

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See Also

```
predict.gamlss
```

Examples

```
data(aids)
mod<-gamlss(y~poly(x,3)+qrt, family=P0, data=aids) #
mod.t <- lpred(mod, type = "terms", terms= "qrt")
mod.t
mod.lp <- lp(mod)
mod.lp
rm(mod, mod.t,mod.lp)</pre>
```

LR.test

Likelihood Ratio test for nested GAMLSS models

Description

The function performs a likelihood ration test for two nested fitted model.

Usage

```
LR.test(null, alternative, print = TRUE)
```

Arguments

null The null hypothesis (simpler) fitted model

alternative The alternative hypothesis (more complex) fitted model

print whether to print or save the result

Details

Warning: no checking whether the models are nested is performed.

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Value

If print=FALSE a list with chi, df and p.val is produced.

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See Also

```
gamlss, dropterm
```

Examples

```
data(usair)
m0<-gamlss(y~x1+x2, data=usair)
m1<-gamlss(y~x1+x2+x3+x4, data=usair)
LR.test(m0,m1)</pre>
```

model.frame.gamlss

Extract a model.frame, a model matrix or terms from a GAMLSS object for a given distributional parameter

Description

model.frame.gamlss, model.matrix.gamlss and terms.gamlss are the gamlss versions of the generic functions model.frame, model.matrix and terms respectively.

Usage

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Arguments

formula a gamlss object

x a gamlss object

object a gamlss object

what for which parameter to extract the model.frame, terms or model.frame

parameter equivalent to what

... for extra arguments

Value

a model.frame, a model.matrix or terms

Author(s)

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References

Rigby, R. A. and Stasinopoulos D. M. (2005). Generalized additive models for location, scale and shape, (with discussion), *Appl. Statist.*, **54**, part 3, pp 507-554.

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See Also

```
gamlss
```

Examples

```
data(aids)
mod<-gamlss(y~poly(x,3)+qrt, family=P0, data=aids) #
model.frame(mod)
model.matrix(mod)
terms(mod, "mu")
rm(mod)</pre>
```

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par.plot	A function to plot parallel plot for repeated measurement data

Description

This function can be used to plot parallel plots for each individual in a repeated measurement study. It is based on the coplot() function of R.

Usage

Arguments

formula	a formula describing the form of conditioning plot. A formula of the form $y \sim x \mid a$ indicates that plots of y versus x should be produced conditional on the variable a. A formula of the form $y \sim x \mid a * b$ indicates that plots of y versus x should be produced conditional on the two variables a and b.
data	a data frame containing values for any variables in the formula. This argument is compulsory.
subjects	a factor which distinguish between the individual participants
color	whether the parallel plot are shown in colour, color=TRUE (the default) or not color=FALSE $$
show.given	logical (possibly of length 2 for 2 conditioning variables): should conditioning plots be shown for the corresponding conditioning variables (default 'TRUE')
	for extra arguments

Value

It returns a plot.

Note

Note that similar plot can be fount in the library nlme by Pinheiro and Bates

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See Also

gamlss

Examples

```
library(nlme)
data(Orthodont)
par.plot(distance~age,data=Orthodont,subject=Subject)
par.plot(distance~age|Sex,data=Orthodont,subject=Subject)
par.plot(distance~age|Subject,data=Orthodont,subject=Subject,show.given=FALSE)
```

pdf.plot

Plots Probability Distribution Functions for GAMLSS Family

Description

A function to plot probability distribution functions (pdf) belonging to the gamlss family of distributions. This function allows either plotting of the fitted distributions for up to eight observations or plotting specified distributions belonging in the gamlss family

Usage

```
\label{eq:pdf.plot} \begin{split} \text{pdf.plot(obj = NULL, obs = c(1), family = NO(), mu = NULL,} \\ \text{sigma = NULL, nu = NULL, tau = NULL, min = NULL,} \\ \text{max = NULL, step = NULL, allinone = FALSE,} \\ \text{no.title = FALSE, } \ldots) \end{split}
```

Arguments

obj

An gamlss object e.g. obj=model1 where model1 is a fitted gamlss object

obs

A number or vector of up to length eight indicating the case numbers of the observations for which fitted distributions are to be displayed, e.g. obs=c(23,58) will display the fitted distribution for the 23th and 58th observations

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family	This must be a gamlss family i.e. family=N0
mu	The value(s) of the location parameter mu for which the distribution has to be evaluated e.g $mu=c(3,7)$
sigma	The value(s) the scale parameter sigma for which the distribution has to be evaluated e.g $sigma=c(3,7)$
nu	The value(s) the parameter nu for which the distribution has to be evaluated e.g. $nu=3$
tau	The value(s) the parameter tau for which the distribution has be evaluated e.g. $tau=5$
min	Minimum value of the random variable y e.g. min=0
max	Maximum value of y e.g. max=10
step	Steps for the evaluation of y e.g. step=0.5
allinone	This will go
no.title	Whether you need title in the plot, default is no.title=FALSE
	for extra arguments

Details

This function can be used to plot distributions of the GAMLSS family. If the first argument obj is specified and it is a GAMLSS fitted object, then the fitted distribution of this model at specified observation values (given by the second argument obs) is plotted for a specified y-variable range (arguments min, max, and step).

If the first argument is not given then the family argument has to be specified and the pdf is plotted at specified values of the parameters mu, sigma, nu, tau. Again the range of the y-variable has to be given.

Value

plot(s) of the required pdf(s) are returned

Warning

The range of some distributions depends on the fitted parameters

Note

The range of the y values given by min, max and step are very important in the plot

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See Also

gamlss

Examples

```
pdf.plot(family=BCT, min=1, max=20, step=.05, mu=10, sigma=0.15, nu=-1, tau=c(4,10,20,40) )
# now using an gamlss object
# library(gamlss)
#data(abdom)
#h<-gamlss(y~pb(x), sigma.formula=~pb(x), family=BCT, data=abdom) # fits
#pdf.plot(obj=h , obs=c(23,67), min=50, max=150, step=.5)</pre>
```

plot.gamlss

Plot Residual Diagnostics for an GAMLSS Object

Description

This function provides four plots for checking the normalized (randomized for a discrete response distribution) quantile residuals of a fitted GAMLSS object, referred to as residuals below: a plot of residuals against fitted values, a plot of the residuals against an index or a specific explanatory variable, a density plot of the residuals and a normal Q-Q plot of the residuals. If argument ts=TRUE then the first two plots are replaced by the autocorrelation function (ACF) and partial autocorrelation function (PACF) of the residuals

Usage

Arguments

x a GAMLSS fitted object

xvar an explanatory variable to plot the residuals against

parameters plotting parameters can be specified here

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set this to TRUE if ACF and PACF plots of the residuals are required summaries set this to FALSE if no summary statistics of the residuals are required further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Details

This function provides four plots for checking the normalized (randomized) quantile residuals (called residuals) of a fitted GAMLSS object. Randomization is only performed for discrete response variables. The four plots are

- residuals against the fitted values (or ACF of the residuals if ts=TRUE)
- residuals against an index or specified x-variable (or PACF of the residuals if ts=TRUE)
- · kernel density estimate of the residuals
- · QQ-normal plot of the residuals

For time series response variables option ts=TRUE can be used to plot the ACF and PACF functions of the residuals.

Value

Returns four plots related to the residuals of the fitted GAMLSS model and prints summary statistics for the residuals if the summary=T

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See Also

gamlss

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Examples

```
data(aids)
a<-gamlss(y~pb(x)+qrt,family=P0,data=aids)
plot(a)
rm(a)</pre>
```

plot.histSmo

A Plotting Function for density estimator object histSmo

Description

Plots the estimated density or its c.d.f function or its inverse cdf function

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'histSmo'
plot(x, type = c("hist", "cdf", "invcdf"), ...)
```

Arguments

x An histSmo object

type Different plots: a histogram and density estimator, a cdf function or an inverse

cdf function.

... for further arguments

Value

returns the relevant plot

Author(s)

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See Also

```
histSmo
```

Examples

```
Y <- rPARETO2(1000)
m1<- histSmo(Y, lower=0, save=TRUE)
plot(m1)
plot(m1, "cdf")
plot(m1, "invcdf")</pre>
```

plot2way

Function to plot two interaction in a GAMLSS model

Description

This function is designed to plot a factor to factor interaction in a GAMLSS model.

Usage

Arguments

obj	A gamlss model
terms	this should be a character vector with the names of the two factors to be plotted
what	which parameters? mu, sigma, nu, or tau
parameter	equivalent to what
show.legend	whether to show the legend in the two way plot
	Further arguments

Details

This is an experimental function which should be use with prudence since no other check is done on whether this interaction interfere with other terms in the model

Value

The function creates a 2 way interaction plot

Author(s)

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See Also

```
term.plot,
```

Examples

```
data(aids)
ti <- factor(c(rep(1,18),rep(2,27)))
m1 <- gamlss(y~x+qrt*ti, data=aids, family=NBI)
m2 <- gamlss(y~x+qrt*ti, data=aids, family=NO)
plot2way(m1, c("qrt","ti"))
plot2way(m1, c("ti", "qrt"))</pre>
```

polyS

Auxiliary support for the GAMLSS

Description

These two functions are similar to the poly and polym in R. Are needed for the gamlss.lo function of GAMLSS and should not be used on their own.

Usage

```
polyS(x, ...)
poly.matrix(m, degree = 1)
```

Arguments

```
x a variable
m a variable
degree the degree of the polynomial
for extra arguments
```

Value

Returns a matrix of orthogonal polynomials

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Warning

Not be use by the user

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See Also

```
gamlss, gamlss.lo
```

predict.gamlss

Extract Predictor Values and Standard Errors For New Data In a GAMLSS Model

Description

predict.gamlss is the GAMLSS specific method which produce predictors for a new data set for a specified parameter from a GAMLSS objects. The predict.gamlss can be used to extract the linear predictors, fitted values and specific terms in the model at new data values in the same way that the predict.lm() and predict.glm() functions can be used for lm or glm objects. Note that linear predictors, fitted values and specific terms in the model at the current data values can also be extracted using the function lpred() (which is called from predict if new data is NULL).

Usage

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Arguments

object a GAMLSS fitted model

what which distribution parameter is required, default what="mu"

parameter equivalent to what

newdata a data frame containing new values for the explanatory variables used in the

model

type the default, gets the linear predictor for the specified distribution parameter.

type="response" gets the fitted values for the parameter while type="terms"

gets the fitted terms contribution

terms if type="terms", which terms to be selected (default is all terms)

se.fit if TRUE the approximate standard errors of the appropriate type are extracted if

exist

data the data frame used in the original fit if is not defined in the call

... for extra arguments

Details

The predict function assumes that the object given in newdata is a data frame containing the right x-variables used in the model. This could possible cause problems if transformed variables are used in the fitting of the original model. For example, let us assume that a transformation of age is needed in the model i.e. nage<-age^.5. This could be fitted as mod<-gamlss(y~cs(age^.5),data=mydata) or as nage<-age^.5; mod<-gamlss(y~cs(nage), data=mydata). The later could more efficient if the data are in thousands rather in hundreds. In the first case, the code predict(mod, newdata=data.frame(age=c(34,56) would produce the right results. In the second case a new data frame has to be created containing the old data plus any new transform data. This data frame has to be declared in the data option. The option newdata should contain a data.frame with the new names and the transformed values in which prediction is required, (see the last example).

Value

A vector or a matrix depending on the options.

Note

This function is under development

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See Also

lp, lpred

Examples

```
data(aids)
a<-gamlss(y\simpoly(x,3)+qrt, family=P0, data=aids) #
newaids<-data.frame(x=c(45,46,47), qrt=c(2,3,4))
ap <- predict(a, newdata=newaids, type = "response")</pre>
# now getting all the parameters
predictAll(a, newdata=newaids)
rm(a, ap)
data(abdom)
# transform x
aa < -gamlss(y \sim cs(x^{\circ}.5), data = abdom)
# predict at old values
predict(aa)[610]
# predict at new values
predict(aa, newdata=data.frame(x=42.43))
# now transform x first
nx<-abdom$x^.5
aaa<-gamlss(y~cs(nx),data=abdom)</pre>
# create a new data frame
newd<-data.frame( abdom, nx=abdom$x^0.5)</pre>
# predict at old values
predict(aaa)[610]
# predict at new values
predict(aaa,newdata=data.frame(nx=42.43^.5), data=newd)
```

print.gamlss

Prints a GAMLSS fitted model

Description

print.gamlss is the GAMLSS specific method for the generic function print which prints objects returned by modelling functions.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'gamlss'
print(x, digits = max(3, getOption("digits") - 3), ...)
```

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Arguments

Χ	a GAMLSS fitted model
digits	the number of significant digits to use when printing
	for extra arguments

Value

Prints a gamlss object

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See Also

```
gamlss, deviance.gamlss, fitted.gamlss
```

Examples

```
data(aids)
h<-gamlss(y~poly(x,3)+qrt, family=P0, data=aids)
print(h) # or just h
rm(h)</pre>
```

prof.dev

Plotting the Profile Deviance for one of the Parameters in a GAMLSS model

Description

This functions plots the profile deviance of one of the (four) parameters in a GAMLSS model. It can be used if one of the parameters mu, sigma, nu or tau is a constant (not a function of explanatory variables) to obtain a profile confidence intervals.

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Usage

Arguments

object	A fitted GAMLSS model
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which which parameter to get the profile deviance e.g. which="tau"

min the minimum value for the parameter e.g. min=1
max the maximum value for the parameter e.g. max=20

step how often to evaluate the global deviance (defines the step length of the grid for

the parameter) e.g. step=1

length the length if step is not set, default equal 7

startlastfit whether to start fitting from the last fit or not, default value is startlastfit=TRUE

plot whether to plot, plot=TRUE or save the results, plot=FALSE

perc what % confidence interval is required

... for extra arguments

Details

This function can be use to provide likelihood based confidence intervals for a parameter for which a constant model (i.e. no explanatory model) is fitted and consequently for checking the adequacy of a particular values of the parameter. This can be used to check the adequacy of one distribution (e.g. Box-Cox Cole and Green) nested within another (e.g. Box-Cox power exponential). For example one can test whether a Box-Cox Cole and Green (Box-Cox-normal) distribution or a Box-Cox power exponential is appropriate by plotting the profile of the parameter tau. A profile deviance showing support for tau=2 indicates adequacy of the Box-Cox Cole and Green (i.e. Box-Cox normal) distribution.

Value

Return a profile plot (if the argument plot=TRUE) and an ProfLikelihood.gamlss object if saved. The object contains:

the values at the grid where the parameter was evaluated the function which approximates the points using splines

min the minimum values in the grid
max te maximum values in the grid

max.value the value of the parameter maximising the Profile deviance (or GAIC)

CI the profile confidence interval (if global deviance is used)

criterion which criterion was used

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Warning

A dense grid (i.e. small step) evaluation of the global deviance can take a long time, so start with a sparse grid (i.e. large step) and decrease gradually the step length for more accuracy.

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See Also

```
gamlss, prof. term
```

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(abdom)
h<-gamlss(y~pb(x), sigma.formula=~pb(x), family=BCT, data=abdom)
prof.dev(h,"nu",min=-2.000,max=2)
rm(h)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

prof.term

Plotting the Profile: deviance or information criterion for one of the terms (or hyper-parameters) in a GAMLSS model

Description

This functions plots the profile deviance for a chosen parameter included in the linear predictor of any of the mu,sigma, nu or tau models so profile confidence intervals can be obtained. In can also be used to plot the profile of a specified information criterion for any hyper-parameter when smooth additive terms are used.

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Usage

```
prof.term(model = NULL, criterion = c("GD", "GAIC"), penalty = 2.5,
    other = NULL, min = NULL, max = NULL, step = NULL,
    length = 7, xlabel = NULL, plot = TRUE, perc = 95,
    start.prev = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

model	this is a GAMLSS model, e.g. model=gamlss($y \sim cs(x, df=this)$, sigma.fo= $\sim cs(x, df=3)$, data=abdom), where this indicates the (hyper)parameter to be profiled
criterion	whether global deviance ("GD") or information criterion ("GAIC") is profiled. The default is global deviance criterion="GD"
penalty	The penalty value if information criterion is used in criterion, default penalty=2.
other	this can be used to evaluate an expression before the actual fitting of the model (Make sure that those expressions are well define in the global environment)
min	the minimum value for the parameter e.g. min=1
max	the maximum value for the parameter e.g. max=20
step	how often to evaluate the global deviance (defines the step length of the grid for the parameter) e.g. step=1
length	if the step is left NULL then length is considered for evaluating the grid for the parameter. It has a default value of 11
xlabel	if a label for the axis is required
plot	whether to plot, plot=TRUE the resulting profile deviance (or GAIC)
perc	what % confidence interval is required
start.prev	whether to start from the previous fitted model parameters values or not (default is TRUE)
	for extra arguments

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Details

This function can be use to provide likelihood based confidence intervals for a parameter involved in terms in the linear predictor(s). These confidence intervals are more accurate than the ones obtained from the parameters' standard errors. The function can also be used to plot a profile information criterion (with a given penalty) against a hyper-parameter. This can be used to check the uniqueness in hyper-parameter determination using for example find.df.

Value

Return a profile plot (if the argument plot=TRUE) and an ProfLikelihood.gamlss object if saved. The object contains:

values the values at the grid where the parameter was evaluated fun the function which approximates the points using splines

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min the minimum values in the grid max the maximum values in the grid

max.value the value of the parameter maximising the Profile deviance (or GAIC)

CI the profile confidence interval (if global deviance is used)

criterion which criterion was used

Warning

A dense grid (i.e. small step) evaluation of the global deviance can take a long time, so start with a sparse grid (i.e. large step) and decrease gradually the step length for more accuracy.

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See Also

```
gamlss, prof.dev
```

Examples

```
data(aids)
# fitting a linear model
gamlss(y~x+qrt,family=NBI,data=aids)
# testing the linear beta parameter
mod<-quote(gamlss(y ~ offset(this * x) + qrt, data = aids, family = NBI))
prof.term(mod, min=0.06, max=0.11)
# find the hyper parameter using cubic splines smoothing
mod1<-quote(gamlss(y ~ cs(x,df=this) + qrt, data = aids, family = NBI))
prof.term(mod1, min=1, max=15, step=1, criterion="GAIC", penalty=log(45))
# find a break point in x
mod2 <- quote(gamlss(y ~ x+I((x>this)*(x-this))+qrt,family=NBI,data=aids))
prof.term(mod2, min=1, max=45, step=1, criterion="GD")
rm(mod,mod1,mod2)
```

Description

There are several function operating using penalised B-splines: pb(), pbo(), cy(), pvc(), pbm(), pbz() and ps().

The functions take a vector and return it with several attributes. The vector is used in the construction of the design matrix X used in the fitting. The functions do not do the smoothing, but assign the attributes to the vector to aid gamlss in the smoothing. The functions doing the smoothing are gamlss.pb(), gamlss.pbo(), gamlss.pbc(), gamlss.pbc and gamlss.ps() which are used in the backfitting function additive.fit.

The function pb() is more efficient and faster than the original penalised smoothing function ps(). After December 2014 the pb() has changed radically to improved performance. The older version of the pb() function is called now pbo(). pb() allows the estimation of the smoothing parameters using different local (performance iterations) methods. The method are "ML", "ML-1", "EM", "GAIC" and "GCV".

The function pbm() fits monotonic smooth functions, that is functions which increase or decrease monotonically depending on the value of the argument mono which takes the values "up" or "down".

The function pbz() is similar to pb() with the extra property that when lambda becomes very large the resulting smooth function goes to a constant rather than to a linear function. This is very useful for model selection. The function is based on Maria Durban idea of using double penalties, one of order 2 and one of order 1. The second penalty only applies if the effective df are close to 2 (that is if a linear is selected).

The function cy() fits a cycle penalised beta regression spline such as the last fitted value of the smoother is equal to the first fitted value.

The function pvc() fits varying coefficient models see Hastie and Tibshirani(1993) and it is more general and flexible than the old vc() function which is based on cubic splines.

The function getZmatrix() creates a (random effect) design matrix Z which cane be used to fit a P-splines smoother using the re()) function. (The re() is an interface with the random effect function lme of the package **nlme**.

Usage

ps

Arguments

x the univariate predictor

df the desired equivalent number of degrees of freedom (trace of the smoother ma-

trix minus two for the constant and linear fit)

lambda the smoothing parameter

control setting the control parameters

by a factor, for fitting different smoothing curves to each level of the factor or a

continuous explanatory variable in which case the coefficients of the by variable

change smoothly according to x i.e. beta(x)*z where z is the by variable.

... for extra arguments

inter the no of break points (knots) in the x-axis degree the degree of the piecewise polynomial

order the required difference in the vector of coefficients

start the lambda starting value if the local methods are used, see below

guantiles if TRUE the quantile values of x are use to determine the knots

ts if TRUE assumes that it is a seasonal factor

method The method used in the (local) performance iterations. Available methods are

"ML", "ML-1", "EM", "GAIC" and "GCV"

k the penalty used in "GAIC" and "GCV"

mono for monotonic P-splines whether going "up" or "down"

kappa the smoothing hyper-parameter for the monotonic part of smoothing

ps.intervals the no of break points in the x-axis

xmin minimum value for creating the B-spline
xmax maximum value for creating the B-spline

Details

The ps() function is based on Brian Marx function which can be found in http://www.stat.lsu.edu/faculty/marx/. The pb(), cy(), pvc() and pbm() functions are based on Paul Eilers's original R functions. Note that ps() and pb() functions behave differently at their default values if df and lambda are not specified. ps(x) by default uses 3 extra degrees of freedom for smoothing x. pb(x) by default estimates lambda (and therefore the degrees of freedom) automatically using a "local" method. The local (or performance iterations) methods available are: (i) local Maximum Likelihood, "ML", (ii) local Generalized Akaike information criterion, "GAIC", (iii) local Generalized Cross validation "GCV" (iv) local EM-algorithm, "EM" (which is very slow) and (v) a modified version of the ML, "ML-1" which produce identical results with "EM" but faster.

The function pb() fits a P-spline smoother.

The function pbm() fits a monotonic (going up or down) P-spline smoother.

The function cy() fits a P-spline smoother where the beginning and end are the same.

The pvc() fits a varying coefficient model.

Note that the local (or performance iterations) methods can occasionally make the convergence of gamlss less stable compared to models where the degrees of freedom are fixed.

Value

the vector x is returned, endowed with a number of attributes. The vector itself is used in the construction of the model matrix, while the attributes are needed for the backfitting algorithms additive.fit().

Warning

There are occasions where the automatic local methods do not work. One accusation which came to our attention is when the range of the response variable values is very large. Scaling the response variable will solve the problem.

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See Also

```
gamlss, gamlss.ps, cs
```

Examples

```
# pb() and ps() functions
data(aids)
# fitting a smoothing cubic spline with 7 degrees of freedom
# plus the a quarterly effect
aids1<-gamlss(y\sim ps(x,df=7)+qrt,data=aids,family=P0) # fix df's
aids2 < -gamlss(y\sim pb(x,df=7)+qrt,data=aids,family=P0) # fix df's
aids3 < -gamlss(y^pb(x)+qrt, data=aids, family=P0) # estimate lambda
with(aids, plot(x,y))
with(aids, lines(x,fitted(aids1),col="red"))
with(aids, lines(x,fitted(aids2),col="green"))
with(aids, lines(x,fitted(aids1),col="yellow"))
rm(aids1, aids2, aids3)
## Not run:
# cy()
# simulate data
set.seed(555)
x = seq(0, 1, length = 100)
y = sign(cos(1 * x * 2 * pi + pi / 4)) + rnorm(length(x)) * 0.2
plot(y~x)
m1 < -gamlss(y \sim cy(x))
lines(fitted(m1)~x)
rm(y,x,m1)
# the pvc() function
# function to generate data
genData <- function(n=200)</pre>
{
f1 \leftarrow function(x)-60+15*x-0.10*x^2
f2 \leftarrow function(x)-120+10*x+0.08*x^2
set.seed(1441)
x1 \leftarrow runif(n/2, min=0, max=55)
x2 \leftarrow runif(n/2, min=0, max=55)
y1 <- f1(x1) + rNO(n=n/2, mu=0, sigma=20)
y2 < -f2(x2)+rN0(n=n/2,mu=0,sigma=30)
y < -c(y1, y2)
x < -c(x1, x2)
 f <- gl(2, n/2)
da<-data.frame(y,x,f)</pre>
da
da<-genData(500)
plot(y~x, data=da, pch=21,bg=c("gray","yellow3")[unclass(f)])
# fitting models
# smoothing x
m1 <- gamlss(y~pb(x), data=da)</pre>
```

```
# parallel smoothing lines
m2 \leftarrow gamlss(y\sim pb(x)+f, data=da)
# linear interaction
m3 \leftarrow gamlss(y\sim pb(x)+f*x, data=da)
# varying coefficient model
m4 \leftarrow gamlss(y\sim pvc(x, by=f), data=da)
GAIC(m1, m2, m3, m4)
# plotting the fit
lines(fitted(m4)[da\$f==1][order(da\$x[da\$f==1])]^da\$x[da\$f==1]
         [order(da$x[da$f==1])], col="blue", lwd=2)
lines(fitted(m4)[da\$f==2][order(da\$x[da\$f==2])]^{-}da\$x[da\$f==2]
         [order(da$x[da$f==2])], col="red", lwd=2)
rm(da,m1,m2,m3,m4)
# the rent data
# first with a factor
data(rent)
plot(R~Fl, data=rent, pch=21,bg=c("gray","blue")[unclass(rent$B)])
r1 <- gamlss(R~pb(F1), data=rent)</pre>
# identical to model
r11 <- gamlss(R~pvc(Fl), data=rent)</pre>
# now with the factor
r2 <- gamlss(R~pvc(F1, by=B), data=rent)</pre>
lines(fitted(r2)[rent$B==1][order(rent$F1[rent$B==1])]~rent$F1[rent$B==1]
                [order(rent$F1[rent$B==1])], col="blue", lwd=2)
lines(fitted(r2)[rent$B==0][order(rent$F1[rent$B==0])]~rent$F1[rent$B==0]
                [order(rent$F1[rent$B==0])], col="red", lwd=2)
# probably not very sensible model
rm(r1,r11,r2)
# now with a continuous variable
# additive model
h1 <-gamlss(R~pb(Fl)+pb(A), data=rent)</pre>
# varying-coefficient model
h2 <-gamlss(R~pb(F1)+pb(A)+pvc(A,by=F1), data=rent)
AIC(h1,h2)
rm(h1,h2)
#-----
# monotone function
set.seed(1334)
x = seq(0, 1, length = 100)
p = 0.4
y = \sin(2 * pi * p * x) + rnorm(100) * 0.1
plot(y~x)
m1 <- gamlss(y~pbm(x))</pre>
points(fitted(m1)~x, col="red")
yy <- -y
plot(yy~x)
m2 <- gamlss(yy~pbm(x, mono="down"))</pre>
points(fitted(m2)~x, col="red")
# the pbz() function
# creating uncorrelated data
```

```
set.seed(123)
y < -rNO(100)
x<-1:100
plot(y~x)
#-----
# ML estimation
m1<-gamlss(y~pbz(x))</pre>
m2 <-gamlss(y\sim pb(x))
AIC(m1, m2)
op <- par( mfrow=c(1,2))
term.plot(m1, partial=T)
term.plot(m2, partial=T)
par(op)
# GAIC estimation
m11<-gamlss(y~pbz(x, method="GAIC", k=2))</pre>
m21 <-gamlss(y\sim pb(x, method="GAIC", k=2))
AIC(m11,m21)
op <- par( mfrow=c(1,2))
term.plot(m11, partial=T)
term.plot(m21, partial=T)
par(op)
# GCV estimation
m12 < -gamlss(y^pbz(x, method="GCV"))
m22 <-gamlss(y^pb(x, method="GCV"))
AIC(m12,m22)
op <- par( mfrow=c(1,2))
term.plot(m12, partial=T)
term.plot(m22, partial=T)
par(op)
# fixing df is more trycky since df are the extra df
m13 < -gamlss(y\sim pbz(x, df=0))
m23 <-gamlss(y\sim pb(x, df=0))
AIC(m13,m23)
# here the second penalty is not take effect therefore identcal results
m14 < -gamlss(y \sim pbz(x, df=1))
m24 <-gamlss(y^pb(x, df=1))
AIC(m14,m24)
# fixing lambda
m15<-gamlss(y~pbz(x, lambda=1000))</pre>
m25 <-gamlss(y\sim pb(x, lambda=1000))
AIC(m15,m25)
#-----
# prediction
m1 < -gamlss(y\sim pbz(x), data=data.frame(y,x))
m2 <-gamlss(y^pb(x), data=data.frame(y,x))
AIC(m1, m2)
predict(m1, newdata=data.frame(x=c(80, 90, 100, 110)))
predict(m2, newdata=data.frame(x=c(80, 90, 100, 110)))
```

End(Not run)

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A function to calculate the Q-statistics

Description

This function calculates and prints the Q-statistics (or Z-statistics) which are useful to test normality of the residuals within a range of an independent variable, for example age in centile estimation, see Royston and Wright (2000).

Usage

```
Q.stats(obj = NULL, xvar = NULL, resid = NULL, xcut.points = NULL, n.inter = 10,
    zvals = TRUE, save = TRUE, plot = TRUE, digits.xvar = getOption("digits"),
    ...)
```

Arguments

obj	a GAMLSS object
xvar	a unique explanatory variable
resid	quantile or standardised residuals can be given here instead of a GAMLSS object in obj. In this case the function behaves diffently (see details below)
xcut.points	the x-axis cut off points e.g. $c(20,30)$. If xcut.points=NULL then the n. interargument is activated
n.inter	if xcut.points=NULL this argument gives the number of intervals in which the x-variable will be split, with default 10
zvals	if TRUE the output matrix contains the individual Z-statistics rather that the Q statistics
save	whether to save the Q-statistics or not with default equal to TRUE. In this case the functions produce a matrix giving individual Q (or z) statistics and the final aggregate Q's
plot	whether to plot a visual version of the Q statistics (default is TRUE)
digits.xvar	to control the number of digits of the xvar in the plot
	for extra arguments

Details

Note that the function Q.stats behaves differently depending whether the obj or the resid argument is set. The obj argument produces the Q-statistics (or Z-statistics) table appropriate for centile estimation (therefore it expect a reasonable large number of observations). The argument resid allows any model residuals, (not necessary GAMLSS), suitable standardised and is appropriate for any size of data. The resulting table contains only the individuals Z-statistics.

Value

A table containing the Q-statistics or Z-statistics. If plot=TRUE it produces also an graphical represenation of the table.

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See Also

```
gamlss, centiles.split, wp
```

Examples

```
data(abdom)
h<-gamlss(y~pb(x), sigma.formula=~pb(x), family=BCT, data=abdom)
Q.stats(h,xvar=abdom$x,n.inter=8)
Q.stats(h,xvar=abdom$x,n.inter=8,zvals=FALSE)
Q.stats(resid=resid(h), xvar=abdom$x, n.inter=5)
rm(h)</pre>
```

quantSheets

Quantile Sheets

Description

The quantile sheets function quantSheets() is based on the work of Sabine Schnabe and Paul Eiler (see references below). The estimation of the quantile curves is done simultaneously by also smoothing in the direction of y as well as x. This avoids (but do not eliminate completely) the problem of crossing quantiles.

Usage

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Arguments

the y variable У the x variable х x.lambda smoothing parameter in the direction of x p.lambda smoothing parameter in the direction of y (probabilities) the data frame data the centile values where the quantile sheets is evaluated cent control for the parameters controlling the algorithm whether to print the sample percentages print number of intervals in the x direction for the B-splines x.inter number of intervals in the probabilities (y-direction) for the B-splines p.inter degree the degree for the B-splines logit whether to use logit(p) instead of p (probabilities) for the y-axis the order of the penalty order is a ridge parameter set to zero (for no ridge effect) kappa n.cyc number of cycles of the algorithm convergence criterion of the algorithm c.crit plot whether to plot the resulting quantile sheets power The value of the power transformation in the x axis if needed lim.trans the limits for looking for the power transformation parameter using findPower() prof whether to use the profile GAIC or optim() to the parameter the power transformation k the GAIC penalty the steps for the profile GAIC if the argument prof of findPower() is TRUE step a fitted quantSheets object object tol how far out from the range of the y variable should go for estimating the distribution of y using the flexDist() function for further arguments

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Details

The advantage of quantile sheets is that they estimates simultaneously all the quantiles. This almost eliminates the problem of crossing quantiles. The method is very fast and useful for exploratory tool. The function needs two smoothing parameters. Those two parameters have to specified by the user. They are *not* estimated automatically. They can be selected by visual inspection.

The disadvantages of quantile sheets comes from the fact that like all non-parametric techniques do not have a goodness of fit measure to change how good is the models and the residuals based diagnostics are not existence since it is difficult to define residuals in this set up.

In this implementation we do provide residuals by using the flexDist() function from package **gamlss.dist**. This is based on the idea that by knowing the quantiles of the distribution we can reconstruct non parametrically the distribution itself and this is what flexDist() is doing. As a word of caution, such a construct is based on several assumptions and depends on several smoothing parameters. Treat those residuals with caution. The same caution should apply to the function z.scoresQS().

Value

Using the function quantSheets() a quantSheets object is returned having the following methods: print(), fitted(), predict() and resid().

Using findPower() a single values of the power parameter is returned.

Using z. scoresQS a vector of z-scores is returned.

Author(s)

Mikis Stasinopoulos based on function provided by Paul Eiler and Sabine Schnabe

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See Also

lms: for a parametric equivalent results.

Examples

```
data(abdom)
m1 <- quantSheets(y,x, data=abdom)
head(fitted(m1))
p1 <- predict(m1, newdata=c(20,30,40))
matpoints(c(20,30,40), p1)
z.scoresQS(m1,y=c(150, 300),x=c(20, 30))
# If we needed a power transformation not appropriate for this data</pre>
```

```
findPower(y,x, data=abdom)
```

random Specify a random intercept model in a GAMLSS formula

a factor

Description

They are two functions for fitting random effects wthin a GAMLSS model, random() and re().

The function random() is based on the original random() function of Trevor Hastie in the package gam. TIn our version the function has been modified to allow a "local" maximum likelihood estimation of the smoothing parameter lambda. This method is equivalent to the PQL method of Breslow and Clayton (1993) applied at the local iterations of the algorithm. In fact for a GLM model and a simple random effect it is equivalent to glmmPQL() function in the package MASS see Venables and Ripley (2002). Venables and Ripley (2002) claimed that this iterative method was first introduced by Schall (1991). Note that in order for the "local" maximum likelhood estimation procedure to operate both argument df and lambda has to be NULL.

The function re() is an interface for calling the lme() function of the package **nlme**. This gives the user the abilty to fit complicated random effect models while the assumtion of the normal distribution for the response variable is relaxed. The theoretical justification cames again from the fact that this is a PQL method, Breslow and Clayton (1993).

Usage

```
random(x, df = NULL, lambda = NULL, start=10)
re(fixed = ^1, random = NULL, correlation = NULL, method = "ML", ...)
```

Arguments

X	a factor
df	the target degrees of freedom
lambda	the smoothing parameter lambda which can be viewed as a shrinkage parameter.
start	starting value for lambda if local Maximul likelihood is used.
fixed	a formula specify the fixed effects of the lme() model. This, in most cases can be also included in the gamlss parameter formula $\frac{1}{2}$
random	a formula or list specufying the random effect part of the model as in $lme()$ function
correlation	the correlation structure of the lme() model
method	which method, "ML" (the default), or "REML"
	this can be used to pass arguments for lmeControl()

Details

The function random() can be seen as a smoother for use with factors in gamlss(). It allows the fitted values for a factor predictor to be shrunk towards the overall mean, where the amount of shrinking depends either on lambda, or on the equivalent degrees of freedom or on the estimated sigma parameter (default). Similar in spirit to smoothing splines, this fitting method can be justified on Bayesian grounds or by a random effects model. Note that the behavier of the function is different from the original Hastie function. Here the function behaves as follows: i) if both df and lambda are NULL then the PQL method is used ii) if lambda is not NULL, lambda is used for fitting iii) if lambda is NULL and df is not NULL then df is used for fitting.

Since factors are coded by model.matrix() into a set of contrasts, care has been taken to add an appropriate "contrast" attribute to the output of random(). This zero contrast results in a column of zeros in the model matrix, which is aliased with any column and is hence ignored.

The use of the function re() requires knowledge of the use of the function lme() of the package **nlme** for the specification of the appropriate random effect model. Some care should betaken whether the data set is

Value

x is returned with class "smooth", with an attribute named "call" which is to be evaluated in the backfitting additive.fit() called by gamlss()

Author(s)

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See Also

```
gamlss, gamlss.random
```

Examples

```
#----- Example 1 from Pinheiro and Bates (2000) page 15-----
# bring nlme
library(nlme)
data(ergoStool)
# 1me model
11<-lme(effort~Type, data=ergoStool, random=~1|Subject, method="ML")</pre>
# use random()
t1<-gamlss(effort~Type+random(Subject), data=ergoStool )</pre>
# use re() with fixed effect within re()
t2<-gamlss(effort~re(fixed=~Type, random=~1|Subject), data=ergoStool)
# use re() with fixed effect in gamlss formula
t3<-gamlss(effort~Type+re(random=~1|Subject), data=ergoStool)
# compare lme fitted values with random
plot(fitted(l1), fitted(t1))
# compare lme fitted values with random
plot(fitted(l1), fitted(t2))
lines(fitted(l1), fitted(t3), col=2)
# getting the fitted coefficients
getSmo(t2)
## Not run:
#-----Example 2 Hodges data-----
data(hodges)
plot(prind~state, data=hodges)
m1<- gamlss(prind~random(state), sigma.fo=~random(state), nu.fo=~random(state),</pre>
           tau.fo=~random(state), family=BCT, data=hodges)
m2<- gamlss(prind~re(random=~1|state), sigma.fo=~re(random=~1|state),</pre>
           nu.fo=~re(random=~1|state), tau.fo=~re(random=~1|state), family=BCT,
           data=hodges)
# comparing the fitted effective degrees of freedom
m1$mu.df
m2$mu.df
m1$sigma.df
m2$sigma.df
m1$nu.df
m2$nu.df
m1$tau.df
m2$tau.df
# random effect for tau is not needed
m3<- gamlss(prind~random(state), sigma.fo=~random(state), nu.fo=~random(state),
           family=BCT, data=hodges, start.from=m1)
plot(m3)
# term plots work for random but not at the moment for re()
op <- par(mfrow=c(2,2))</pre>
term.plot(m3, se=TRUE)
term.plot(m3, se=TRUE, what="sigma")
term.plot(m3, se=TRUE, what="nu")
```

```
par(op)
# getting information from a fitted lme object
coef(getSmo(m2))
ranef(getSmo(m2))
VarCorr(getSmo(m2))
summary(getSmo(m2))
intervals(getSmo(m2))
fitted(getSmo(m2))
fixef(getSmo(m2))
# plotting
plot(getSmo(m2))
qqnorm(getSmo(m2))
#----- (2000) page 42-------
data(Pixel)
11 <- lme(pixel~ day+I(day^2), data=Pixel, random=list(Dog=~day, Side=~1),</pre>
          method="ML")
# this will fail
#t1<-gamlss(pixel~re(fixed=~day+I(day^2), random=list(Dog=~day, Side=~1)),</pre>
#
            data=Pixel)
# but this is working
t1<-gamlss(pixel~re(fixed=~day+I(day^2), random=list(Dog=~day, Side=~1),
                    opt="optim"), data=Pixel)
plot(fitted(l1)~fitted(t1))
#-----Example 4 from Pinheiro and Bates (2000)page 146---------
data(Orthodont)
11 <- lme(distance~ I(age-11), data=Orthodont, random=~I(age-11)|Subject,</pre>
t1<-gamlss(distance^{I(age-11)+re(random=^I(age-11)|Subject)}, data=0rthodont)
plot(fitted(l1)~fitted(t1))
# checking the model
plot(t1)
wp(t1, ylim.all=2)
# two observation fat try LO
t2<-gamlss(distance~I(age-11)+re(random=~I(age-11)|Subject, opt="optim",
     numIter=100), data=Orthodont, family=L0)
plot(t2)
wp(t2,ylim.all=2)
# a bit better but not satisfactory Note that 3 paramters distibutions fail
#-----example 5 from Venable and Ripley (2002)-----example 5 from Venable and Ripley (2002)-----
library(MASS)
data(bacteria)
summary(glmmPQL(y \sim trt + I(week > 2), random = \sim 1 | ID,
                family = binomial, data = bacteria))
s1 \leftarrow gamlss(y \sim trt + I(week > 2) + random(ID), family = BI, data = bacteria)
s2 <- gamlss(y ~ trt + I(week > 2)+re(random=~1|ID), family = BI,
             data = bacteria)
s3 \leftarrow gamlss(y \sim trt + I(week > 2) + re(random=~1|ID, method="REML"), family = BI,
             data = bacteria)
# the esimate of the random effect sd sigma_b
sqrt(getSmo(s1)$tau2)
getSmo(s2)
getSmo(s3)
```

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```
#------Example 6 from Pinheiro and Bates (2000) page 239-244-------
# using corAR1()
data(Ovary)
# AR1
11 <- lme(follicles~sin(2*pi*Time)+cos(2*pi*Time), data=Ovary,</pre>
          random=pdDiag(~sin(2*pi*Time)), correlation=corAR1())
# ARMA
12 <- lme(follicles~sin(2*pi*Time)+cos(2*pi*Time), data=Ovary,</pre>
          random=pdDiag(~sin(2*pi*Time)), correlation=corARMA(q=2))
# now gamlss
# AR1
t1 <- gamlss(follicles~re(fixed=~sin(2*pi*Time)+cos(2*pi*Time),</pre>
                         random=pdDiag(~sin(2*pi*Time)),
                         correlation=corAR1()), data=Ovary)
plot(fitted(l1)~fitted(t1))
# ARMA
t2 <- gamlss(follicles~re(fixed=~sin(2*pi*Time)+cos(2*pi*Time),
                          random=pdDiag(~sin(2*pi*Time)),
                           correlation=corARMA(q=2)), data=Ovary)
plot(fitted(12)~fitted(t2))
AIC(t1,t2)
wp(t2, ylim.all=1)
## End(Not run)
```

refit

Refit a GAMLSS model

Description

This function refits a GAMLSS model. It is useful when the algorithm has not converged after 20 outer iteration (the default value)

Usage

```
refit(object, ...)
```

Arguments

```
object a GAMLSS fitted model which has not converged ... for extra arguments
```

Details

This function is useful when the iterations have reach the maximum value set by the code(n.cyc) of the gamlss.control function and the model has not converged yet

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Value

Returns a GAMLSS fitted model

Note

The function update does a very similar job

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See Also

```
gamlss, update.gamlss
```

Examples

```
data(aids)
h<-gamlss(y~poly(x,3)+qrt, family=P0, data=aids) #
refit(h)
rm(h)</pre>
```

residuals.gamlss

Extract Residuals from GAMLSS model

Description

residuals.gamlss is the GAMLSS specific method for the generic function residuals which extracts the residuals for a fitted model. The abbreviated form resid is an alias for residuals.

Usage

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Arguments

object a GAMLSS fitted model

what specify whether the standardized residuals are required, called here the "z-scores",

or residuals for a specific parameter

type the type of residual if residuals for a parameter are required terms if type is "partial" this specifies which term is required

... for extra arguments

Details

The "z-scores" residuals saved in a GAMLSS object are the normalized (randomized) quantile residuals (see Dunn and Smyth, 1996). Randomization is only needed for the discrete family distributions, see also rqres.plot. Residuals for a specific parameter can be "simple" = (working variable - linear predictor), "weighted"= sqrt(working weights)*(working variable - linear predictor) or "partial"= (working variable - linear predictor)+contribution of specific terms.

Value

a vector or a matrix of the appropriate residuals of a GAMLSS model. Note that when weights are used in the fitting the length of the residuals can be different from N the length of the fitted values. Observations with weights equal to zero are not appearing in the residuals. Also observations with frequencies as weights will appear more than once according to their frequencies.

Note

The "weighted" residuals of a specified parameter can be zero and one if the square of first derivative have been used in the fitting of this parameter

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See Also

print.gamlss, summary.gamlss, fitted.gamlss, coef.gamlss, residuals.gamlss, update.gamlss,
plot.gamlss, deviance.gamlss, formula.gamlss

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Examples

```
data(aids)
h<-gamlss(y~poly(x,3)+qrt, family=NBI, data=aids) #
plot(aids$x,resid(h))
plot(aids$x,resid(h,"sigma"))
rm(h)</pre>
```

ri

Specify ridge or lasso Regression within a GAMLSS Formula

Description

The function ri() allow the user to fit a ridge regression within GAMLSS. It allows the coefficients of a set of explanatory variables to be shrunk towards zero. The amount of shrinking depends either on lambda, or on the equivalent degrees of freedom (df). The type of shrinking depends on the argument Lp see example.

Usage

Arguments

Χ	A matrix of explanatory variables X which is standardised (mean=0, sd=1) automatically
df	the effective degrees of freedom df
lambda	the smoothing parameter lambda
method	which method is used for the estimation of the smoothing parameter, 'ML' or 'GAIC' are allowed.
order	the order of the difference applied to the coefficients with default zero. (Do not change this unless there is some ordering in the explanatory variables).)
start	starting value for lambda if it estimated using 'ML' or 'GAIC'
Lp	The type of penalty required, Lp=2 a proper ridge regression is the default. Use codeLp=1 for lasso and different values for different penalties.
kappa	a regulation parameters used for the weights in the penalties.
iter	the number of internal iteration allowed see details.
c.crit	c.crit is the convergent criterion
k	k is the penalty if 'GAIC' method is used.

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Details

This implementation of ridge and related regressions is based on an idea of Paul Eilers which used weights in the penalty matrix. The type of weights are defined by the argument Lp. Lp=2 is the standard ridge regression, Lp=1 fir a lasso regression while Lp=0 allows a "best subset" regression see Hastie et al (2009) page 71.

Value

x is returned with class "smooth", with an attribute named "call" which is to be evaluated in the backfitting additive.fit() called by gamlss()

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See Also

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```
plot(getSmo(m3))
par(op)
```

rqres.plot

Plotting Randomized Quantile Residuals

Description

This function plots worm plots, van Buuren and Fredriks M. (2001), or QQ-plots of the normalized randomized quantile residuals (Dunn and Smyth, 1996) for a model using a discrete GAMLSS family distribution.

Usage

Arguments

obj	a fitted GAMLSS model object from a "discrete" type of family
howmany	The number of QQ-plots required up to ten i.e. howmany=6
plot	whether to plot all plots all the residual realisations "all" or just the mean "average" $\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \$
type	whether to plot worm plots "wp" or QQ plots "QQ" with default worm plots
• • •	for extra arguments tp be passed to wp()

Details

For discrete family distributions, the gamlss() function saves on exit one realization of randomized quantile residuals which can be plotted using the generic function plot which calls the plot.gamlss. Looking at only one realization can be misleading, so the current function creates QQ-plots for several realizations. The function allows up to 10 QQ-plots to be plotted. Occasionally one wishes to create a lot of realizations and then take a median of them (separately for each ordered value) to create a single median realization. The option all in combinations with the option howmany creates a QQ-plot of the medians of the normalized randomized quantile residuals. These 'median' randomized quantile residuals can be saved using the option (save=TRUE).

Value

If save it is TRUE then the vector of the median residuals is saved.

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See Also

```
plot.gamlss, gamlss
```

Examples

```
data(aids) # fitting a model from a discrete distribution
h<-gamlss(y~pb(x)+qrt, family=NBI, data=aids) #
plot(h)
# plot qq- plots from 6 realization of the randomized quantile residuals
rqres.plot(h)
# a qq-plot from the medians from 40 realizations
rqres.plot(h,howmany=40,plot="average") #</pre>
```

Rsq

Generalised (Pseudo) R-squared for GAMLSS models

Description

This function gives the generalised R-squared of Nagelkerke (1991) for a GAMLSS model.

Usage

```
Rsq(object, type = c("Cox Snell","Cragg Uhler","both"))
```

Arguments

object a GAMLSS object

type which definition of R squared. Can be the "Cox Snell" or the Nagelkerke, "Cragg

Uhler" or "both".

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Details

The Rsq() function uses the definition for R-squared:

$$R^2 = 1 - \left(\frac{L(0)}{L(\hat{\theta})}\right)^{(2/n)}$$

where L(0) is the null model (only a constant is fitted to all parameters) and $L(\hat{\theta})$ is the current fitted model. This definition sometimes is referred to as the Cox & Snell R-squared. The Nagelkerke /Cragg & Uhler's definition divides the above with

$$1 - L(0)^{(2/n)}$$

Value

The Rsq() produces a single value if type="Cox Snell" or "Cragg Uhler" and a list if type="both".

Note

The null model is fitted using the function gamlssML() which can create warning messages

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See Also

GAIC

```
data(aids)
m1 <- gamlss(y~x+qrt, data=aids, family=NBI)
Rsq(m1)
Rsq(m1, type="both")
rm(m1)</pre>
```

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	rvcov	Robust Variance-Covariance matrix of the parameters from a fitted GAMLSS model
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Description

The function rvcov() is design for providing robust standard errors for the parameters estimates of a GAMLSS fitted model. The same result can be achieved by using $vcov(fitted_model, robust=TRUE)$. The function get.() gets the K matrix (see details below).

Usage

Arguments

object	a GAMLSS fitted object
type	this argument for rvcov() function whether variance-covariance matrix, correlation matrix, standard errors or all of them
what	this an argument for the function ket.K() allowing to get either K or the first derivative of the likelihood with respect to the parameters (the β 's in the GAMLSS notation).
hessian.fun	How to obtain numerically the Hessian i) using optimHess(), option "R" ii) using a function by Pinheiro and Bates taken from package nlme, option "PB".

Details

The robust standard errors are calculated for the robust sandwich estimator of the variance-covariance given by S = VKV where V is the standard variance-covariance matrix (the inverse of the information matrix) and K is an estimate of the variance of he first derivatives of he likelihood. The function get.K() is use the get the required K matrix.

Value

A variance covariance matrix or other relevant output

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See Also

```
VCOV, ~~~
```

Examples

```
# gererate from a gamma distribution
Y <- rGA(200, mu=1, sigma=2)
hist(Y)
# fitting the wrong model i.e. sigma=1
m1 <- gamlss(Y~1, family=EXP)
# the conventinal se is too precise
vcov(m1, type="se")
# the sandwich se is wider
rvcov(m1, type="se")
# fitting the correct model
    m2 <- gamlss(Y~1, family=GA)
    vcov(m2, type="se")
    rvcov(m2, type="se")
# similar stadard errors
# also obtained using
vcov(m2, type="se", robust=TRUE)</pre>
```

stepGAIC

Choose a model by GAIC in a Stepwise Algorithm

Description

The function stepGAIC() performs stepwise model selection using a Generalized Akaike Information Criterion (GAIC). It is based on the function stepAIC() given in the library MASS of Venables and Ripley (2002). The function has been changed recently to allow parallel computation. The parallel computations are similar to the ones performed in the function boot() of the **boot** package. Note that since version 4.3-5 of **gamlss** the stepGAIC() do not have the option of using the function stepGAIC.CH through the argument additive.

Note that stepGAIC() is relying to the dropterm() and addterm() methods applyied to gamlss objects. drop1() and add1() are equivalent methods to the dropterm() and addterm() respectivelly but with different default arguments (see the examples).

The function stepGAIC.VR() is the old version of stepGAIC() with no parallel computations.

The function stepGAIC.CH is based on the S function step.gam() (see Chambers and Hastie (1991)) and it is more suited for model with smoothing additive terms when the degrees of freedom for smoothing are fixed in advance. This is something which rarely used these days, as most of the smoothing functions allow the calculations of the smoothing parameter, see for example the additive function pb()).

The functions stepGAIC.VR() and stepGAIC.CH() have been adapted to work with gamlss objects and the main difference is the scope argument, see below.

While the functions stepGAIC() is used to build models for individual parameters of the distribution of the response variable, the functions stepGAICAll.A() and stepGAICAll.A() are building models for all the parameters.

The functions stepGAICAll.A() and stepGAICAll.B() are based on the stepGAIC() function but use different strategies for selecting a appropriate final model.

stepGAICAll.A() has the following strategy:

Strategy A:

- i) build a model for mu using a forward approach.
- ii) given the model for mu build a model for sigma (forward)
- iii) given the models for mu and sigma build a model for nu (forward)
- iv) given the models for mu, sigma and nu build a model for tau (forward)
- v) given the models for mu, sigma, nu and tau check whether the terms for nu are needed using backward elimination.
- vi) given the models for mu, sigma, nu and tau check whether the terms for sigma are needed (backward).
- vii) given the models for mu, sigma, nu and tau check whether the terms for mu are needed (backward).

Note for this strategy to work the scope argument should be set appropriately.

stepGAICAll.B() uses the same procedure as the function stepGAIC() but each term in the scope is fitted to all the parameters of the distribution, rather than the one specified by the argument what of stepGAIC(). The stepGAICAll.B() relies on the add1All() and drop1All() functions for the selection of variabes.

Usage

```
trace = T, keep = NULL, steps = 1000, scale = 0,
         what = c("mu", "sigma", "nu", "tau"), parameter= NULL, k = 2,
         ...)
stepGAIC.CH(object, scope = gamlss.scope(model.frame(object)),
            direction = c("both", "backward", "forward"), trace = T,
            keep = NULL, steps = 1000, what = c("mu", "sigma", "nu", "tau"),
            parameter= NULL, k = 2, ...)
stepGAICAll.A(object, scope = NULL, sigma.scope = NULL, nu.scope = NULL,
              tau.scope = NULL, mu.try = TRUE, sigma.try = TRUE,
              nu.try = TRUE, tau.try = TRUE,
              parallel = c("no", "multicore", "snow"), ncpus = 1L,
              cl = NULL, \ldots)
stepGAICAll.B(object, scope, direction = c("both", "backward", "forward"),
              trace = T, keep = NULL, steps = 1000, scale = 0, k = 2,
              parallel = c("no", "multicore", "snow"), ncpus = 1L,
              cl = NULL, ...)
drop1All(object, scope, test = c("Chisq", "none"), k = 2, sorted = FALSE,
              trace = FALSE, parallel = c("no", "multicore", "snow"),
              ncpus = 1L, cl = NULL, ...)
add1All(object, scope, test = c("Chisq", "none"), k = 2, sorted = FALSE,
              trace = FALSE, parallel = c("no", "multicore", "snow"),
              ncpus = 1L, cl = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

object an gamlss object. This is used as the initial model in the stepwise search.

defines the range of models examined in the stepwise search. For the function stepAIC() this should be either a single formula, or a list containing components upper and lower, both formulae. See the details for how to specify the

formulae and how they are used. For the function stepGAIC the scope defines the range of models examined in the step-wise search. It is a list of formulas, with each formula corresponding to a term in the model. A 1 in the formula allows the additional option of leaving the term out of the model entirely. +

allows the additional option of leaving the term out of the model entirely. +

direction the mode of stepwise search, can be one of both, backward, or forward, with a default of both. If the scope argument is missing the default for direction is

backward.

trace if positive, information is printed during the running of stepAIC. Larger values

may give more information on the fitting process.

keep a filter function whose input is a fitted model object and the associated 'AIC' statistic, and whose output is arbitrary. Typically 'keep' will select a subset

of the components of the object and return them. The default is not to keep

anything.

steps the maximum number of steps to be considered. The default is 1000 (essentially

as many as required). It is typically used to stop the process early.

scale scale is nor used in gamlss

what which distribution parameter is required, default what="mu"

parameter equivalent to what

k the multiple of the number of degrees of freedom used for the penalty. Only 'k =

2' gives the genuine AIC: $k = \log(n)$ is sometimes referred to as BIC or SBC.

parallel The type of parallel operation to be used (if any). If missing, the default is "no".

ncpus integer: number of processes to be used in parallel operation: typically one

would chose this to the number of available CPUs.

cl An optional parallel or snow cluster for use if parallel = "snow". If not

supplied, a cluster on the local machine is created for the duration of the call.

sigma.scope scope for sigma if different to scope in stepGAICAll.A()

nu.scope scope for nu if different to scope in stepGAICAll.A()

tau.scope scope for tau if different to scope in stepGAICAll.A()

mu.try

The default value is is TRUE, set to FALSE if no model for mu is needed sigma.try

The default value is TRUE, set to FALSE if no model for sigma is needed nu.try

The default value is TRUE, set to FALSE if no model for nu is needed tau.try

The default value is TRUE, set to FALSE if no model for tau is needed

test whether to print the chi-square test or not

sorted whether to sort the results

... any additional arguments to 'extractAIC'. (None are currently used.)

Details

The set of models searched is determined by the scope argument.

For the function stepGAIC.VR() the right-hand-side of its lower component is always included in the model, and right-hand-side of the model is included in the upper component. If scope is a single formula, it specifies the upper component, and the lower model is empty. If scope is missing, the initial model is used as the upper model.

Models specified by scope can be templates to update object as used by update.formula.

For the function stepGAIC.CH() each of the formulas in scope specifies a "regimen" of candidate forms in which the particular term may enter the model. For example, a term formula might be

```
\sim x1 + \log(x1) + \cos(x1, df=3)
```

This means that x1 could either appear linearly, linearly in its logarithm, or as a smooth function estimated non-parametrically. Every term in the model is described by such a term formula, and the final model is built up by selecting a component from each formula.

The function gamlss.scope similar to the S gam.scope() in Chambers and Hastie (1991) can be used to create automatically term formulae from specified data or model frames.

The supplied model object is used as the starting model, and hence there is the requirement that one term from each of the term formulas of the parameters be present in the formula of the distribution parameter. This also implies that any terms in formula of the distribution parameter not contained in any of the term formulas will be forced to be present in every model considered.

When the smoother used in gamlss modelling belongs to the new generation of smoothers allowing the determination of the smoothing parameters automatically (i.e. pb(), cy()) then the function stepGAIC.VR() can be used for model selection (see example below).

Value

the stepwise-selected model is returned, with up to two additional components. There is an "anova" component corresponding to the steps taken in the search, as well as a "keep" component if the 'keep=' argument was supplied in the call. The "Resid. Dev" column of the analysis of deviance table refers to a constant minus twice the maximized log likelihood

The function stepGAICAll.A() returns with a component "anovaAll" containing all the different anova tables used in the process.

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See Also

```
gamlss.scope
```

```
# droping terms
dropterm(mod1)
# with chi-square information
drop1(mod1)
# for parallel computations use something like
nC <- detectCores()</pre>
drop1(mod1, parallel="snow", ncpus=nC)
drop1(mod1, parallel="multicore", ncpus=nC)
# adding terms
addterm(mod0, scope=as.formula(paste("~", paste(names(usair[-1]),
             collapse="+"),sep="")))
# with chi-square information
add1(mod0, scope=as.formula(paste("~", paste(names(usair[-1]),
             collapse="+"),sep="")))
# for parallel computations
nC <- detectCores()</pre>
add1(mod0, scope=as.formula(paste("~", paste(names(usair[-1]),
            collapse="+"),sep="")), parallel="snow", ncpus=nC)
#-----
# stepGAIC
# find the best subset for the mu
mod2 <- stepGAIC(mod1)</pre>
mod2$anova
         _____
# for parallel computations
mod21 <- stepGAIC(mod1, , parallel="snow", ncpus=nC)</pre>
# find the best subset for sigma
mod3<-stepGAIC(mod2, what="sigma", scope=~x1+x2+x3+x4+x5+x6)</pre>
mod3$anova
#-----
# find the best model using pb() smoother
#only three variables are used here for simplicity
mod20 < -stepGAIC(mod0, scope=list(lower=~1, upper=~pb(x1)+pb(x2)+pb(x5)))
edf(mod20)
# note that x1 and x2 enter linearly
#-----
# the stepGAIC.CH function (no parallel here)
# creating a scope from the usair model frame
gs<-gamlss.scope(model.frame(y~x1+x2+x3+x4+x5+x6, data=usair))
gs
mod5<-stepGAIC.CH(mod0,gs)</pre>
mod5$anova
#----==
#-----
# now stepGAICAll.A
mod7<-stepGAICAll.A(mod0, scope=list(lower=~1,upper=~x1+x2+x3+x4+x5+x6))</pre>
#-----=
#-----
# now stepGAICAll.B
```

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summary.gamlss

Summarizes a GAMLSS fitted model

Description

summary.gamlss is the GAMLSS specific method for the generic function summary which summarize objects returned by modelling functions.

Usage

Arguments

object a GAMLSS fitted model

type the default value vcov uses the vcov() method for gamlss to get the variance-

covariance matrix of the estimated beta coefficients, see details below. The alternative qr is the original method used in gamlss to estimated the standard errors but it is not reliable since it do not take into the account the inter-correlation

between the distributional parameters mu, sigma, nu and tau.

robust whether robust (sandwich) standard errors are required

save whether to save the environment of the function so to have access to its values

hessian.fun whether when calculate the Hessian should use the "R" function optimHess()

or a function based on Pinheiro and Bates nlme package, "PB".

digits the number of digits in the output

... for extra arguments

Details

Using the default value type="vcov", the vcov() method for gamlss is used to get the variance covariance matrix (and consequently the standard errors) of the beta parameters. The variance covariance matrix is calculated using the inverse of the numerical second derivatives of the observed information matrix. This is a more reliable method since it take into the account the inter-correlation

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between the all the parameters. The type="qr" assumes that the parameters are fixed at the estimated values. Note that both methods are not appropriate and should be used with caution if smoothing terms are used in the fitting.

Value

Print summary of a GAMLSS object

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See Also

```
gamlss, deviance.gamlss, fitted.gamlss
```

Examples

```
data(aids)
h<-gamlss(y~poly(x,3)+qrt, family=P0, data=aids) #
summary(h)
rm(h)</pre>
```

term.plot

Plot regression terms for a specified parameter of a fitted GAMLSS object

Description

Plots regression terms against their predictors, optionally with standard errors and partial residuals added. It is based on the R function termplot but is suitably changed to apply to GAMLSS objects.

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Usage

```
term.plot(object, what = c("mu", "sigma", "nu", "tau"),
    parameter= NULL, data = NULL,
    envir = environment(formula(object)), partial.resid = FALSE,
    rug = FALSE, terms = NULL, se = TRUE, ylim = c("common", "free"),
    scheme = c("shaded", "lines"), xlabs = NULL, ylabs = NULL,
    main = NULL, pages = 0, col.term = "darkred",
    col.se = "orange", col.shaded = "gray", col.res = "lightblue",
    col.rug = "gray", lwd.term = 1.5, lty.se = 2, lwd.se = 1,
    cex.res = 1, pch.res = par("pch"),
    ask = interactive() && nb.fig < n.tms && .Device != "postscript",
    use.factor.levels = TRUE, surface.gam = FALSE,
    polys = NULL, polys.scheme = "topo",...)</pre>
```

Arguments

object a fitted GAMLSS object

what the required parameter of the GAMLSS distribution i.e. "mu"

parameter equivalent to what

data frame in which variables in object can be found envir environment in which variables in object can be found

partial.resid logical; should partial residuals be plotted or not rug add rug plots (jitter 1-d histograms) to the axes?

terms which terms to be plotted (default 'NULL' means all terms)

se plot point-wise standard errors?

ylim there are two options here a) "common" and b) "free". The "common" option

plots all figures with the same ylim range and therefore allows the viewer to check the relative contribution of each terms compate to the rest. In the 'free'

option the limits are computed for each plot seperatly.

scheme whether the se's should appear shaded or as lines

xlabs vector of labels for the x axes vlabs vector of labels for the y axes

main logical, or vector of main titles; if 'TRUE', the model's call is taken as main

title, 'NULL' or 'FALSE' mean no titles.

pages in how many pages the plot should appear. The default is 0 which allows differnt

page for each plot

col.term the colour of the term line
col.se the colour of the se's lines
col.shaded the colour of the shaded area
col.res the colour of the partial residuals

col.rug the colour of the rug

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lwd.term	line width of the fitted terms
lty.se	line ype for standard errors
lwd.se	line width for the stadard errors
cex.res	plotting character expansion for the parsial residuals
pch.res	characters for points in the parsial residuals
ask	logical; if 'TRUE', the user is asked before each plot, see 'par(ask=.)'.
use.factor.leve	els
	Should x-axis ticks use factor levels or numbers for factor terms?
surface.gam	whether to use surface plot if a ga() term is fitted
polys	The polygone nformation filr for MRF models
polys.scheme	Color scheme for polygones for RMF models
• • •	other graphical parameters

Details

The function uses the 1pred function of GAMLSS. The 'data' argument should rarely be needed, but in some cases 'termplot' may be unable to reconstruct the original data frame. Using 'na.action=na.exclude' makes these problems less likely. Nothing sensible happens for interaction terms.

Value

a plot of fitted terms.

Author(s)

Mikis Stasinopoulos based on the existing termplot() function

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See Also

termplot

```
data(aids)
a<-gamlss(y~pb(x)+qrt,data=aids,family=NBI)
term.plot(a, pages=1)
rm(a)</pre>
```

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update.gamlss

Update and Re-fit a GAMLSS Model

Description

update.gamlss is the GAMLSS specific method for the generic function update which updates and (by default) refits a GAMLSS model.

Usage

Arguments

object a GAMLSS fitted model formula. the formula to update

... for updating argument in gamlss()

what the parameter in which the formula needs updating for example "mu", "sigma",

"nu" "tau" or "All". If "All" all the formulae are updated. Note that the what

argument has an effect only if only if the argument formula. is set

parameter equivalent to what

evaluate whether to evaluate the call or not

Value

Returns a GAMLSS call or fitted object.

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See Also

print.gamlss, summary.gamlss, fitted.gamlss, coef.gamlss, residuals.gamlss, plot.gamlss,
deviance.gamlss, formula.gamlss

Examples

```
data(aids)
# fit a poisson model
h.po <-gamlss(y~pb(x)+qrt, family=P0, data=aids)
# update with a negative binomial
h.nb <-update(h.po, family=NBI)
# update the smoothing
h.nb1 <-update(h.nb,~cs(x,8)+qrt)
# remove qrt
h.nb2 <-update(h.nb1,~.-qrt)
# put back qrt take log of y and fit a normal distribution
h.nb3 <-update(h.nb1,log(.)~.+qrt, family=N0)
# verify that it is the same
h.no<-gamlss(log(y)~cs(x,8)+qrt,data=aids )</pre>
```

VC.test

Vuong and Clarke tests

Description

The Vuong and Clarke tests for GAMLSS fitted models.

Usage

```
VC.test(obj1, obj2, sig.lev = 0.05)
```

Arguments

obj1	The first fitted gamlss object
obj2	The second fitted gamlss object
sig.lev	Significance level used for testing.

Details

The Vuong (1989) and Clarke (2007) tests are likelihood-ratio-based tests for model selection that use the Kullback-Leibler information criterion. The implemented tests can be used for choosing between two bivariate models which are non necessary nested.

In the Vuong test, the null hypothesis is that the two models are equally close to the actual model, whereas the alternative is that one model is closer. The test follows asymptotically a standard normal distribution under the null. Assume that the critical region is (-c,c), where c is typically set to 1.96. If the value of the test is greater than c then we reject the null hypothesis that the models are equivalent in favour of the model in obj1. Vice-versa if the value is smaller than -c we reject

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the null hypothesis that the models are equivalent in favour of the model in obj2. If the value falls within (-c, c0) then we cannot discriminate between the two competing models given the data.

In the Clarke test, if the two models are statistically equivalent then the log-likelihood ratios of the observations should be evenly distributed around zero and around half of the ratios should be larger than zero. The test follows asymptotically a binomial distribution with parameters n and 0.5. Critical values can be obtained as shown in Clarke (2007). Intuitively, the model in obj1 is preferred over that in obj2 if the value of the test is significantly larger than its expected value under the null hypothesis ('coden/2), and vice versa. If the value is not significantly different from n/2 then obj1 can be thought of as equivalent to obj2.

Value

For the Vuong test it returns its value and the decision and for the Clarke test returns the value the p-value and the decision. Decisions criteria are as discussed above.

Author(s)

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Vuong Q.H. (1989), Likelihood Ratio Tests for Model Selection and Non-Nested Hypotheses. *Econometrica*, 57(2), 307-333.

See Also

LR.test

```
library(gamlss)
# fitting different models
m0 <- gamlss(y~x+qrt, data=aids, family=P0)
m1 <- gamlss(y~pb(x)+qrt, data=aids, family=P0)
m2 <- gamlss(y~pb(x)+qrt, data=aids, family=NBI)
# comparison of the mdels
VC.test(m0,m2)
VC.test(m0,m1)
VC.test(m1,m2)</pre>
```

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wp	Worm plot	
	•	

Description

Provides a single plot or multiple worm plots for a GAMLSS fitted or more general for any fitted models where the method resid() exist and the residuals are defined sensibly. The worm plot (a detrended QQ-plot), van Buuren and Fredriks M. (2001), is a diagnostic tool for checking the residuals within different ranges (by default not overlapping) of the explanatory variable(s).

Usage

```
wp(object=NULL, xvar = NULL, resid = NULL, n.inter = 4,
    xcut.points = NULL,
    overlap = 0, xlim.all = 4, xlim.worm = 3.5,
    show.given = TRUE, line = TRUE,
    ylim.all = 12 * sqrt(1/length(resid)),
    ylim.worm = 12 * sqrt(n.inter/length(resid)),
    cex = 1, pch = 21, ...)
```

Arguments

object	a GAMLSS fitted object or any other fitted model where the resid() method works (preferably it should be standarised or quantile residuals)
xvar	the explanatory variable(s) against which the worm plots will be plotted. If only one variable is involved use xvar=x1 if two variables are involved use xvar=~x1*x2. See also note below for use of formula if the data argument is not found in the fitted model
resid	if object is missing this argument can be used to specify the residual vector (again it should a quantile residuals or it be assumed to come from a normal distribution)
n.inter	the number of intervals in which the explanatory variable xvar will be cut
xcut.points	the x-axis cut off points e.g. $c(20,30)$. If xcut.points=NULL then the n.inter argument is activated
overlap	how much overlapping in the xvar intervals. Default value is overlap=0 for non overlapping intervals
xlim.all	for the single plot, this value is the x-variable limit, default is xlim.all=4
xlim.worm	for multiple plots, this value is the x-variable limit, default is xlim.worm=3.5
show.given	whether to show the x-variable intervals in the top of the graph, default is show.given=TRUE
line	whether to plot the polynomial line in the worm plot, default value is line=TRUE
ylim.all	for the single plot, this value is the y-variable limit, default value is ylim.all=12*sqrt(1/length(fitte
ylim.worm	for multiple plots, this values is the y-variable limit, default value is ylim.worm=12*sqrt(n.inter/length)

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cex	the cex plotting parameter with default cex=1
pch	the pch plotting parameter with default pch=21
	for extra arguments

Details

If the xvar argument is not specified then a single worm plot is used. In this case a worm plot is a de-trended normal QQ-plot so departure from normality is highlighted.

If a single xvar is specified (with or without the use of a formula) i.e. xvar=x1 or xvar=~x1) then we have as many worm plot as n.iter. In this case the x-variable is cut into n.iter intervals with an equal number observations and de-trended normal QQ (i.e. worm) plots for each interval are plotted. This is a way of highlighting failures of the model within different ranges of the the single explanatory variable. The fitted coefficients from fitting cubic polynomials to the residuals (within each x-variable interval) can be obtain by e.g. coeffs<-wp(model1,xvar=x,n.iner=9). van Buuren and Fredriks M. (2001) used these residuals to identify regions (intervals) of the explanatory variable within which the model does not fit adequately the data (called "model violation")

Two variables can be displayed with the use of a formula, i.e. xvar=x1*x2. In this case the n.inter can be a vector with two values.

Value

For multiple plots the xvar intervals and the coefficients of the fitted cubic polynomials to the residuals (within each xvar interval) are returned.

Note

Note that the wp() function, if the argument object is used, is looking for the data argument of the object. If the argument data exists it uses its environment to find xvar (whether it is a formula or not). As a result if data exists withing object xvar=~x*f can be used (assuming thet x and f are in the data) otherwise the variable should be expicitly defined i.e. xvar=~data\$x*data\$f.

Author(s)

Mikis Stasinopoulos and Bob Rigby

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See Also

```
gamlss, plot.gamlss
```

```
data(abdom)
# with data
a < -gamlss(y \sim pb(x), sigma.fo = \sim pb(x, 1), family = L0, data = abdom)
coeff1<-wp(a,xvar=x)</pre>
coeff1
## Not run:
# no data argument
b <- gamlss(abdom$y~pb(abdom$x), sigma.fo=~pb(abdom$x), family=L0)</pre>
wp(b, xvar=abdom$x)# not wp(b, xvar=x)
# using the argument resid
# this will work
wp(resid=resid(a), xvar=abdom$x)
# not this
# wp(resid=resid(a), xvar=x)
# this example uses the rent data
m1 <- gamlss(R~pb(F1)+pb(A)+loc, sigma.fo=~pb(F1)+pb(A), data=rent, family=GA)
# a single worm plot
wp(m1, ylim.all=0.5)
# a single continuous x variable
wp(m1, xvar=Fl, ylim.worm=.8)
# a single x variable changing the default number of intervals
wp(m1, xvar=F1, ylim.worm=1.5, n.inter=9)
# different x variable changing the default number of intervals
B1<-wp(m1, xvar=A, ylim.worm=1.2, n.inter=9)
# the number five plot has intervals
# [5,] 1957.5 1957.5
# rather disappoining
# try formula for xvar
wp(m1, xvar=~A, ylim.worm=1.2, n.inter=9)
# better in this case using formula
# now using a factor included in the model
wp(m1, xvar=~loc, ylim.worm=1.2, n.inter=9)
# using a factor notin the model
wp(m1, xvar=~B, ylim.worm=1.5, n.inter=9)
# level 2 (with B=1) did not fit well
# trying two continuous variable
wp(m1, xvar=~Fl*A, ylim.worm=1.5, n.inter=4)
# one continuous and one categorical
wp(m1, xvar=~Fl*loc, ylim.worm=1.5, n.inter=4)
# two categorical
wp(m1, xvar=~B*loc, ylim.worm=1.5, n.inter=4)
## End(Not run)
```

z.scores

z.scores

Z-scores for lms objects

Description

This creates z-scores for new values of y and x given a fitted 1ms object.

Usage

```
z.scores(object, y, x)
```

Arguments

object a lms fitted object y new y values x new x values

Details

This is simply a job that can be also done by centiles.pred().

Value

the required z-scores

Author(s)

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See Also

```
centiles.pred
```

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```
## Not run:
IND<-sample.int(7040, 1000, replace=FALSE)
db1 <- db[IND,]
plot(head~age, data=db1)
m0 <- lms(head, age, data=db1,trans.x=TRUE)
z.scores(m0, x=c(2,15,30,40),y=c(45,50,56,63))
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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