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CetaARIMA

Covariance for fractional ARIMA

# Description

Compute the covariance matrix of  $\hat{eta}$  for a fractional ARIMA process.

# Usage

```
CetaARIMA(eta, p, q, m = 10000, delta = 1e-9)
```

# **Arguments**

eta	<pre>parameter vector eta = c(H, phi, psi).</pre>
p, q	integer scalars giving the AR and MA order respectively.
m	integer specifying the length of the Riemann sum, with step size $2 * pi/m$ .
delta	step size for numerical derivative computation.

# **Details**

```
builds on calling specARIMA(eta,p,q,m)
```

# Value

the (square) matrix containg covariances up to ...

# Author(s)

Jan Beran (principal) and Martin Maechler (fine tuning)

# References

Beran(1984), listing on p.224-225.

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## **Examples**

```
(C.7 <- CetaARIMA(0.7, m = 256, p = 0, q = 0))
(C.5 <- CetaARIMA(eta = c(H = 0.5, phi=c(-.06, 0.42, -0.36), psi=0.776),
m = 256, p = 3, q = 1))
```

CetaFGN

Covariance Matrix of Eta for Fractional Gaussian Noise

## **Description**

Covariance matrix of  $\hat{\eta}$  for fractional Gaussian noise (fGn).

## Usage

```
CetaFGN(eta, m = 10000, delta = 1e-9)
```

# Arguments

eta parameter vector eta = c(H, \*).

m integer specifying the length of the Riemann sum, with step size 2 \* pi/m. The

default (10000) is realistic.

delta step size for numerical derivative computation.

#### **Details**

Currently, the step size for numerical derivative is the same in all coordinate directions of eta. In principle, this can be far from optimal.

## Value

Variance-covariance matrix of the estimated parameter vector  $\hat{\eta}$ .

## Author(s)

Jan Beran (principal) and Martin Maechler (speedup, fine tuning)

#### See Also

```
specFGN
```

```
(C.7 <- CetaFGN(0.7, m = 256))
(C.5 <- CetaFGN(eta = c(H = 0.5), m = 256))
(C.5. <- CetaFGN(eta = c(H = 0.5), m = 1024))
```

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ckARMA0

Covariances of a Fractional ARIMA(0,d,0) Process

# **Description**

Compute the Autocovariances of a fractional ARIMA(0,d,0) process (d = H - 1/2).

# Usage

```
ckARMA0(n, H)
```

## **Arguments**

```
n sample size (length of time series).

H self-similarity ('Hurst') parameter.
```

#### **Details**

The theoretical formula,

$$C(k) = (-1)^k \Gamma(1 - 2d) / (\Gamma(k+1-d)\Gamma(1-k-d)),$$

where d=H-1/2, leads to over-/underflow for larger lags k; hence use the asymptotical formula there.

## Value

numeric vector of length n of covariances  $C(0) \dots C(n-1)$ .

# Author(s)

Jan Beran (principal) and Martin Maechler (speedup, fine tuning)

# References

```
Jan Beran (1994), p.63, (2.35) and (2.39).
```

# See Also

ckFGN0 which does the same for fractional Gaussian noise.

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ckFGN0

Covariances of a Fractional Gaussian Process

# **Description**

Compute the Autocovariances of a fractional Gaussian process

# Usage

```
ckFGN0(n, H)
```

# **Arguments**

```
n sample size (length of time series).

H self-similarity ('Hurst') parameter.
```

## Value

numeric vector of covariances upto lag n-1.

## Author(s)

Jan Beran (principal) and Martin Maechler (fine tuning)

## See Also

ckARMA0 which does the same for a fractional ARIMA process.

# **Examples**

ethernetTraffic

Ethernet Traffic Data Set

# **Description**

Ethernet traffic data from a LAN at Bellcore, Morristown (Leland et al. 1993, Leland and Wilson 1991). The data are listed in chronological sequence by row.

## Usage

```
data(ethernetTraffic)
```

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## **Format**

A times series of length 4000.

# **Source**

Jan Beran and Brandon Whitcher by E-mail in fall 1995.

# **Examples**

```
data(ethernetTraffic)
str(ethernetTraffic)
plot(ethernetTraffic)## definitely special
```

**FEXPest** 

Fractional EXP (FEXP) Model Estimator

# Description

```
FEXPest(x, *) computes Beran's Fractional EXP or 'FEXP' model estimator. .ffreq(n) returns the Fourier frequencies \frac{2\pi j}{n} (of a time series of length n).
```

# Usage

```
FEXPest(x, order.poly, pvalmax, verbose = FALSE)
## S3 method for class 'FEXP'
print(x, digits = getOption("digits"), ...)
.ffreq(n, full = FALSE)
```

# Arguments

Х	numeric vector representing a time series.
order.poly	integer specifying the maximal polynomial order that should be taken into account. order.poly = 0 is equivalent to a FARIMA(0,d,0) model.
pvalmax	maximal P-value – the other iteration stopping criterion and "model selection tuning parameter". Setting this to 1, will use order.poly alone, and hence the final model order will be = order.poly.
verbose	logical indicating if iteration output should be printed.
digits,	optional arguments for print method, see print.default.
n	a positive integer, typically the length of a time series.
full	logical indicating if n $\%/\%$ 2 or by default "only" (n-1) $\%/\%$ 2 values should be returned.

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#### Value

```
FEXPest(x,..) returns an object of class FEXP, basically a list with components
                  the function call.
call
                  time series length length(x).
n
Н
                  the "Hurst" parameter which is simply (1-theta[2])/2.
coefficients
                   numeric 4-column matrix as returned from summary.glm(), with estimate of
                  the full parameter vector \theta, its standard error estimates, t- and P-values, as from
                  the glm(*, family = Gamma) fit.
                  the effective polynomial order used.
order.poly
max.order.poly the original order.poly (argument).
early.stop
                  logical indicating if order.poly is less than max.order.poly, i.e., the highest
                   order polynomial terms were dropped because of a non-significant P-value.
                   the spectral estimate f(\omega_i), at the Fourier frequencies \omega_i. Note that .ffreq(x$n)
spec
                   recomputes the Fourier frequencies vector (from a fitted FEXP or WhittleEst
                  model x).
                  raw periodogram of (centered and scaled x) at Fourier frequencies I(\omega_i).
yper
There currently are methods for print(), plot and lines (see plot.FEXP) for objects of class
```

#### Author(s)

"FEXP".

Martin Maechler, using Beran's "main program" in Beran(1994), p.234 ff

#### References

Beran, Jan (1993) Fitting long-memory models by generalized linear regression. *Biometrika* **80**, 817–822.

Beran, Jan (1994). Statistics for Long-Memory Processes; Chapman & Hall.

#### See Also

```
WhittleEst; the plot method, plot.FEXP.
```

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llplot

Log-Log and Log-X Plot of Spectrum

# Description

Log-Log and "Log-X" plot of spectrum. Very simple utilities, kept here mainly for back compatibility, as they appear in the book scripts.

# Usage

```
llplot(yper, spec)
lxplot(yper, spec)
```

# **Arguments**

yper periodogram values spec spectrum values

# Author(s)

Jan Beran (principal) and Martin Maechler (speedup, fine tuning)

# See Also

spectrum() from standard R (package stats).

NBSdiff1kg

NBS measurement deviations from 1 kg

# Description

NBS weight measurements - deviation from 1 kg in micrograms, see the references. The data are listed in chronological sequence by row.

# Usage

```
data(NBSdiff1kg)
```

## Format

A time series of length 289.

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## Source

Jan Beran and Brandon Whitcher by E-mail in fall 1995.

## References

H.P. Graf, F.R. Hampel, and J.Tacier (1984). The problem of unsuspected serial correlations. In J. Franke, W. Härdle, and R.D. Martin, editors, *Robust and Nonlinear Time Series Analysis*, Lecture Notes in Statistics **26**, 127–145; Springer.

Pollak, M., Croakin, C., and Hagwood, C. (1993). Surveillance schemes with applications to mass calibration. NIST report 5158; Gaithersburg, MD.

## **Examples**

```
data(NBSdiff1kg)
plot(NBSdiff1kg)
```

NhemiTemp

Northern Hemisphere Temperature

# Description

Monthly temperature for the northern hemisphere for the years 1854-1989, from the data base held at the Climate Research Unit of the University of East Anglia, Norwich, England. The numbers consist of the temperature (degrees C) difference from the monthly average over the period 1950-1979.

# Usage

```
data(NhemiTemp)
```

## **Format**

Time-Series (ts) of length 1632, frequency 12, starting 1854, ending 1990.

#### **Source**

Jan Beran and Brandon Whitcher by E-mail in fall 1995.

Jan Beran (1994). Dataset no. 5, p.29-31.

# References

Jones, P.D. and Briffa, K.R. (1992) Global surface air temperature variations during the twentieth century, part 1. *The Holocene* **2**, 165–179.

```
data(NhemiTemp)
plot(NhemiTemp)
mean(window(NhemiTemp, 1950,1979))# (about) 0 ``by definition''
```

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NileMin

Nile River Minima, yearly 622-1284

## **Description**

Yearly minimal water levels of the Nile river for the years 622 to 1281, measured at the Roda gauge near Cairo, (Tousson, p. 366–385).

# Usage

```
data(NileMin)
```

#### **Format**

Time-Series (ts) of length 663.

#### Source

The original Nile river data supplied by Beran only contained only 500 observations (622 to 1121). However, the book claimed to have 660 observations (622 to 1281). First added the remaining observations from the book by hand, and still came up short with only 653 observations (622 to 1264). Finally have 663 observations: years 622–1284 (as in orig. source)

## References

```
Tousson, O. (1925). Mémoire sur l'Histoire du Nil; Mémoire de l'Institut d'Egypte. Jan Beran (1994). Dataset no.1, p.20–22.
```

# **Examples**

```
data(NileMin)
plot(NileMin, main = "Nile River Minima 622 - 1284")
```

per

Simple Periodogram Estimate

# **Description**

Simply estimate the periodogram via the Fast Fourier Transform.

# Usage

per(z)

## **Arguments**

z numeric vector with the series to compute the periodogram from.

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## **Details**

```
This is basically the same as spec.pgram(z, fast = FALSE, detrend = FALSE, taper = 0) $ spec, and not really recommended to use — exactly for the reason that spec.pgram has the defaults differently, fast = TRUE, detrend = TRUE, taper = 0.1, see that help page.
```

#### Value

```
numeric vector of length 1 + floor(n/2) where n = length(z).
```

## Author(s)

Jan Beran (principal) and Martin Maechler (fine tuning)

#### See Also

a more versatile periodogram estimate by spec.pgram.

## **Examples**

```
data(NileMin)
plot(10*log10(per(NileMin)), type='l')
```

plot.FEXP

Plot Method for FEXP and WhittleEst Model Fits

# Description

(S3) methods for the generic functions plot (and lines) applied to fractional EXP (FEXP) and "WhittleEst" (FEXPest, models. plot() plots the data periodogram and the 'FEXP' model estimated spectrum, where lines() and does the latter.

# Usage

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#### **Arguments**

```
an R object of class "FEXP", as from FEXPest().

log character specifying log scale should be used, see plot.default. Note that the default log-log scale is particularly sensible for long-range dependence.

type plot type for the periodogram, see plot.default.

col.spec, lwd.spec, col, lwd
graphical parameters used for drawing the estimated spectrum, see lines.

xlab, ylab, main, sub
labels for annotating the plot, see title, each with a sensible default.

... further arguments passed to plot.default.
```

## Author(s)

Martin Maechler

#### See Also

FEXPest, WhittleEst; plot.default and spectrum.

```
data(videoVBR)
fE <- FEXPest(videoVBR, order = 3, pvalmax = .5)</pre>
fE3 <- FEXPest(videoVBR, order = 3, pvalmax = 1)#-> order 3
lines(fE3, col = "red3", lty=2)
        <- WhittleEst(videoVBR)
f.am21 <- WhittleEst(videoVBR, model = "fARIMA",</pre>
                      start= list(H= .5, AR = c(.5,0), MA= .5))
lines(f.GN, col = "blue4")
lines(f.am21, col = "goldenrod")
##--- Using a tapered periodogram ------
spvVBR <- spec.pgram(videoVBR, fast=FALSE, plot=FALSE)</pre>
fam21 <- WhittleEst(periodogr.x = head(spvVBR$spec, -1),</pre>
                    n = length(videoVBR), model = "fARIMA",
                    start= list(H= .5, AR = c(.5,0), MA= .5))
fam21
f.am21 # similar but slightly different
plot(fam21)
## Now, comparing to traditional ("log-X", not "log-log") spectral plot:
plot(fam21, log="y")
## compared to the standard R spectral plot : s
if(dev.interactive(TRUE)) getOption("device")()# a new graphics window
plot(spvVBR, log = "yes", col="gray50")
all.equal(.ffreq(fE$n) / (2*pi) -> ffr.,
```

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Qeta

Approximate Log Likelihood for Fractional Gaussian Noise / Fractional ARIMA

# Description

Qeta() (=  $\tilde{Q}(\eta)$  of Beran(1994), p.117) is up to scaling the negative log likelihood function of the specified model, i.e., fractional Gaussian noise or fractional ARIMA.

## Usage

```
Qeta(eta, model = c("fGn","fARIMA"), n, yper, pq.ARIMA, give.B.only = FALSE)
```

# Arguments

eta	parameter vector = $(H, phi[1:p], psi[1:q])$ .
model	character specifying the kind model class.
n	data length
yper	numeric vector of length (n-1)%/% 2, the periodogram of the (scaled) data, see per.
pq.ARIMA	integer, = $c(p,q)$ specifying models orders of AR and MA parts — only used when model = "fARIMA".
give.B.only	logical, indicating if only the B component (of the Values list below) should be returned. Is set to TRUE for the Whittle estimator minimization.

## **Details**

Calculation of A,B and  $T_n=A/B^2$  where  $A=2\pi/n\sum_j 2*[I(\lambda_j)/f(\lambda_j)], B=2\pi/n\sum_j 2*[I(\lambda_j)/f(\lambda_j)]^2$  and the sum is taken over all Fourier frequencies  $\lambda_j=2\pi*j/n, (j=1,\ldots,(n-1)/2)$ .

f is the spectral density of fractional Gaussian noise or fractional ARIMA(p,d,q) with self-similarity parameter H (and p AR and q MA parameters in the latter case), and is computed either by specFGN or specARIMA.

$$cov(X(t),X(t+k)) = \int \exp(iuk)f(u)du$$

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## Value

a list with components

```
n = input 
H (input) Hurst parameter, = eta[1]. 
eta = input 
A, B defined as above. 
Tn the goodness of fit test statistic Tn = A/B^2 defined in Beran (1992) 
z the standardized test statistic
```

pval the corresponding p-value P(W > z)

theta1 the scale parameter

$$\hat{\theta_1} = \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{\epsilon}^2}{2\pi}$$

such that  $f() = \theta_1 f_1()$  and  $integral(\log[f_1(.)]) = 0$ .

spec scaled spectral density  $f_1$  at the Fourier frequencies  $\omega_j$ , see FEXPest; a numeric

vector.

## Note

yper[1] must be the periodogram  $I(\lambda_1)$  at the frequency  $2\pi/n$ , i.e., not the frequency zero!

# Author(s)

Jan Beran (principal) and Martin Maechler (fine tuning)

#### References

Jan Beran (1992). A Goodness-of-Fit Test for Time Series with Long Range Dependence. *JRSS B* **54**, 749–760.

Beran, Jan (1994). *Statistics for Long-Memory Processes*; Chapman & Hall. (Section 6.1, p.116–119; 12.1.3, p.223 ff)

# See Also

WhittleEst computes an approximate MLE for fractional Gaussian noise / fractional ARIMA, by minimizing Qeta.

```
data(NileMin)
y <- NileMin
n <- length(y)
yper <- per(scale(y))[2:(1+ (n-1) %/% 2)]
eta <- c(H = 0.3)
q.res <- Qeta(eta, n=n, yper=yper)
str(q.res)</pre>
```

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simGauss

Simulate (Fractional) Gaussian Processes

## **Description**

Simulation of a Gaussian series  $X(1), \ldots, X(n)$ . Whereas simGauss works from autocovariances, where simFGN0 and simARMA0 call it, for simulating a fractional ARIMA(0,d,0) process (d=H-1/2), or fractional Gaussian noise, respectively.

## Usage

```
simARMA0 (n, H)
simFGN0 (n, H)
simFGN.fft(n, H, ...)
simGauss(autocov)
```

# **Arguments**

```
n length of time series 
H self-similarity parameter 
... optional arguments passed to B. specFGN(). 
autocov numeric vector of auto covariances \gamma(0),\ldots,\gamma(n-1).
```

#### **Details**

simGauss implements the method by Davies and Harte which is relatively fast using the FFT (fft) twice.

```
To simulate ARIMA(p, d, q), (for d in (-1/2, 1,2), you can use arima.sim(n, model = list(ar=..., ma = ...), innov= simARMA0(n,H=d+1/2), n.start = 0). 
simFGN.fft() is about twice as fast as simFGN0() and uses Paxson's proposal, by default via B.specFGN(*, k.approx=3, adjust=TRUE).
```

#### Value

```
The simulated series X(1), \dots, X(n), an R object of class "ts", constructed from ts().
```

## Author(s)

Jan Beran (original) and Martin Maechler (simGauss, speedup, simplication). simFGN.fft: Vern Paxson.

## References

```
Beran (1994), 11.3.3, p.216 f, referring to
```

Davis, R.B. and Harte, D.S. (1987). Tests for Hurst effect, *Biometrika* 74, 95–102.

Vern Paxson (1997). Fast, Approximate Synthesis of Fractional Gaussian Noise for Generating Self-Similar Network Traffic; *Computer Communications Review* **27** 5, 5–18.

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## See Also

ckARMA0 on which simARMA0 relies, and ckFGN0 on which simFGN0 relies.

#### **Examples**

```
x1 <- simFGN0(100, 0.7)
x2 <- simARMA0(100, 0.7)
plot(simFGN0(1000, 0.8)) #- time series plot
```

specARIMA

Spectral Density of Fractional ARMA Process

#### **Description**

Calculate the spectral density of a fractional ARMA process with standard normal innovations and self-similarity parameter H.

## Usage

```
specARIMA(eta, p, q, m)
```

## **Arguments**

```
eta parameter vector eta = c(H, phi, psi).p, q integers giving AR and MA order respectively.m sample size determining Fourier frequencies.
```

## **Details**

```
at the Fourier frequencies 2*\pi*j/n, (j=1,\ldots,(n-1)), cov(X(t),X(t+k))=(sigma/(2*pi))*integral(exp(iuk)g(u)du). — or rather – FIXME – 1. cov(X(t),X(t+k))=integral[exp(iuk)f(u)du] 2. f(t)=theta(t) 1. f(t) 3. f(t) 4. f(t) 3. f(t) 4. f(t) 5. f(t) 6. f(t) 6. f(t) 7. f(t) 8. f(t) 8. f(t) 9. f(t) 9.
```

# Value

```
an object of class "spec" (see also spectrum) with components
```

```
freq the Fourier frequencies (in (0,\pi)) at which the spectrum is computed, see freq in specFGN. spec the scaled values spectral density f(\lambda) values at the freq values of \lambda. f^*(\lambda) = f(\lambda)/\theta_1 \text{ adjusted such } \int \log(f^*(\lambda))d\lambda = 0. the scale factor \theta_1. a vector of length two, = c(p,q). eta a named vector c(H=H, phi=phi, psi=psi) from input. method a character indicating the kind of model used.
```

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## Author(s)

Jan Beran (principal) and Martin Maechler (fine tuning)

#### References

```
Beran (1994) and more, see ....
```

#### See Also

The spectral estimate for fractional Gaussian noise, specFGN. In general, spectrum and spec.ar.

# **Examples**

specFGN

Spectral Density of Fractional Gaussian Noise

# **Description**

Calculation of the spectral density f of normalized fractional Gaussian noise with self-similarity parameter H at the Fourier frequencies 2\*pi\*j/m (j=1,...,(m-1)).

B. specFGN computes (approximations of) the  $B(\lambda, H)$  component of the spectrum  $f_H(\lambda)$ .

# Usage

```
specFGN(eta, m, ...)
B.specFGN(lambd, H, k.approx=3, adjust = (k.approx == 3), nsum = 200)
```

## **Arguments**

eta	parameter vector eta = c(H, *).
m	sample size determining Fourier frequencies.
	optional arguments for B. specFGN(): k. approx, etc
lambd	numeric vector of frequencies in [0, pi]
Н	Hurst parameter in $(\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ , (can be outside, here).
k.approx	either integer (the order of the Paxson approximation), or NULL, NA for choosing to use the slow direct sum (of nsum terms.)
adjust	logical indicating (only for k.approx == 3, the default) that Paxson's empirical adjustment should also be used.
nsum	if the slow sum is used (e.g. for $k.approx = NA$ ), the number of terms.

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#### **Details**

Note that

- 1. cov(X(t),X(t+k)) = integral[exp(iuk)f(u)du]
- 2. f=theta1\*spec and integral[log(spec)]=0.

Since **longmemo** version 1.1-0, a fast approximation is available (and default), using k.approx terms and an adjustment (adjust=TRUE in the default case of k.approx=3), which is due to the analysis and S code from Paxson (1997).

#### Value

```
specFGN() returns an object of class "spec" (see also spectrum) with components
```

```
freq the Fourier frequencies \omega_j \in (0,\pi)) at which the spectrum is computed. Note that omega_j = 2\pi j/m for j=1,...,m-1, and m=\left\lfloor\frac{n-1}{2}\right\rfloor. spec the scaled values spectral density f(\lambda) values at the freq values of \lambda. f^*(\lambda) = f(\lambda)/\theta_1 \text{ adjusted such } \int \log(f^*(\lambda))d\lambda = 0. the scale factor \theta_1. H the self-similarity parameter from input. The self-similarity parameter from input. B. specFGN() returns a vector of (approximate) values B(\lambda, H).
```

## Author(s)

Jan Beran originally (using the slow sum); Martin Maechler, based on Vern Paxson (1997)'s code.

## References

Jan Beran (1994). Statistics for Long-Memory Processes; Chapman & Hall, NY.

Vern Paxson (1997). Fast, Approximate Synthesis of Fractional Gaussian Noise for Generating Self-Similar Network Traffic; *Computer Communications Review* **27** 5, 5–18.

## See Also

The spectral estimate for fractional ARIMA, specARIMA; more generally, spectrum.

```
str(rg.7 <- specFGN(0.7, m = 100)) \\ str(rg.5 <- specFGN(0.5, m = 100))\# \{ H = 0.5 <--> white noise ! \} \\ plot(rg.7) \#\# work around plot.spec() `bug' in R < 1.6.0 \\ plot(rg.5, add = TRUE, col = "blue") \\ text(2, mean(rg.5\$spec), "H = 0.5 [white noise]", col = "blue", adj = c(0,-1/4)) \\ \#\# This was the original method in longmemo, upto version 1.0-0 (incl): \\ rg.7.o <- specFGN(0.7, m = 100, k.approx=NA, nsum = 200) \\ \#\# quite accurate (but slightly slower):
```

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```
rg.7f <- specFGN(0.7, m = 100, k.approx=NA, nsum = 10000)
## comparing old and new default :
all.equal(rg.7, rg.7.o)# different in about 5th digit
all.equal(rg.7, rg.7f)# ==> new default is *more* accurate: 1.42 e-6
## takes about 7 sec {in 2011}:
rg.7ff <- specFGN(0.7, m = 100, k.approx=NA, nsum = 500000)
all.equal(rg.7f, rg.7ff)# ~ 10 ^ -7
all.equal(rg.7 $spec, rg.7ff$spec)# ~ 1.33e-6 -- Paxson is accurate!
all.equal(rg.7.o$spec, rg.7ff$spec)# ~ 2.40e-5 -- old default is less so</pre>
```

videoVBR

Video VBR data

# **Description**

Amount of coded information (variable bit rate) per frame for a certain video sequence. There were about 25 frames per second.

## Usage

data(videoVBR)

#### **Format**

a time-series of length 1000.

#### References

Heeke, H. (1991) Statistical multiplexing gain for variable bit rate codecs in ATM networks. *Int. J. Digit. Analog. Commun. Syst.* **4**, 261–268.

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data(videoVBR)
plot(log(videoVBR), main="VBR Data (log)")
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Whittle Estimator for Fractional Gaussian Noise / Fractional ARIMA

# **Description**

Computes Whittle's approximate MLE for fractional Gaussian noise or fractional ARIMA (=: fARIMA) models, according to Beran's prescript.

Relies on minmizing Qeta() (=  $\tilde{Q}(\eta)$ , which itself is based on the "true" spectrum of the corresponding process; for the spectrum, either specFGN or specARIMA is used.

# Usage

# **Arguments**

Х	numeric vector representing a time series. Maybe omitted if periodogr.x and n are specified instead.
periodogr.x	the (raw) periodogram of x; the default, as by Beran, uses per, but tapering etc may be an alternative, see also spec.pgram.
n	length of the time series, length(x).
scale	logical indicating if x should be standardized to (sd) scale 1; originally, scale = TRUE used to be built-in; for compatibility with other methods, notably plotting spectra, scale = FALSE seems a more natural default.
model	numeric vector representing a time series.
p, q	optional integers specifying the AR and MA orders of the fARIMA model, i.e., only applicable when model is "fARIMA".
start	list of starting values; currently necessary for $model = "fARIMA"$ and with a reasonable default for $model = "fGn"$ .
verbose	logical indicating if iteration output should be printed.
digits,	optional arguments for print method, see print.default.

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#### Value

An object of class WhittleEst which is basically a list with components

the function call.

model = input

n time series length length(x).

p, q for "fARIMA": order of AR and MA parts, respectively.

coefficients numeric 4-column matrix of coefficients with estimate of the full parameter vector  $\eta$ , its standard error estimates, z- and P-values. This includes the Hurst parameter H.

the scale parameter  $\hat{\theta_1}$ , see Qeta.

vcov the variance-covariance matrix for  $\eta$ .

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spec the spectral estimate  $\hat{f}(\omega_j)$ .

There is a print method, and coef, confint or vcov methods work as well for objects of class "WhittleEst".

#### Author(s)

Martin Maechler, based on Beran's "main program" in Beran(1994).

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Beran, Jan (1994). *Statistics for Long-Memory Processes*; Chapman & Hall. (Section 6.1, p.116–119; 12.1.3, p.223 ff)

#### See Also

Qeta is the function minimized by these Whittle estimators.

FEXPest for an alternative model with Hurst parameter, also estimated by a "Whittle" approximate MLE, i.e., a Whittle's estimator in the more general sense.

The plot method, plot. WhittleEst.

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rbind(f.am00$coef,
      f.GN $coef)# really similar
f.am11 <- WhittleEst(videoVBR, model = "fARIMA",</pre>
                      start= list(H=.5, AR=.5, MA=.5))
f.am11
vcov(f.am11)
op <- if(require("sfsmisc"))</pre>
 mult.fig(3, main = "Whittle Estimators for videoVBR data")$old.par else
  par(mar = c(3,1), mgp = c(1.5, 0.6, 0), mar = c(4,4,2,1)+.1)
plot(f.GN)
plot(f.am00)
plot(f.am11)
et <- as.list(coef(f.am11))</pre>
et$AR <- c(et$AR, 0, 0) \# two more AR coefficients ...
f.am31 <- WhittleEst(videoVBR, model = "fARIMA", start = et)</pre>
## ... warning non nonconvergence, but "kind of okay":
lines(f.am31, col = "red3") ## drawing on top of ARMA(1,1) above - *small* diff
f.am31 # not all three are "significant"
round(cov2cor(vcov(f.am31)), 3) # and they are highly correlated
et <- as.list(coef(f.am31))
et$AR <- unname(unlist(et[c("AR1", "AR2")]))</pre>
f.am21 <- WhittleEst(videoVBR, model = "fARIMA",</pre>
                      start = c(et[c("H","AR", "MA")]))
f.am21
lines(f.am21, col = adjustcolor("gold", .4), lwd=4)
par(op)## (reset graphic layout)
##--> ?plot.WhittleEst for an example using 'periodogr.x'
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