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BassRiverData

Hydrological data for Bass River catchment in Victoria, Australia

## **Description**

Streamflow, rainfall and PET data for Bass River catchment (227219) in Victoria, Australia. Originally obtained from Francis Chiew.

## Usage

data(BassRiver)

#### **Format**

List containing numerical vectors for precipitation (Rain.mm), potential evapotranspiration (ET.mm), and runoff (Runoff.mm.day), and date vector (Date)

### References

https://github.com/eachonly/Robust-Gauss-Newton-Algorithm, http://www.bom.gov.au/ water/hrs/

rgn

Robust Gauss Newton optimization

## Description

rgn performs optimization of weighted-sum-of-squares (WSS) objective function using the Robust Gauss Newton algorithm

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#### Usage

```
rgn(
    simFunc,
    simTarget = 0,
    weights = NULL,
    par,
    lower,
    upper,
    control = NULL,
    ...
)
```

## Arguments

simFunc is a function that simulates a (vector) response, with first argument the vector of

parameters over which optimization is performed

simTarget is the target vector that simFunc is trying to match

weights is a vector of weights used in the WSS objective function. Defaults to equal

weights.

par is the vector of initial parameters
lower is the lower bounds on parameters
upper is the upper bounds on parameters

control list of RGN settings

• control\$n.multi is number of multi-starts (i.e. invocations of optimization with different initial parameter estimates). Default is 1.

- control\$iterMax is maximum iterations. Default is 100.
- control\$dump is level of diagnostic outputs between 0 (none) and 3 (highest). Default is 0.
- control\$keep.multi (TRUE/FALSE) controls whether diagnostic output from each multi-start is recorded. Default is FALSE.
- control\$logFile is log file name

... other arguments to simFunc()

#### **Details**

rgn minimizes the objective function sum((weights\*(simFunc-simTarget)^2)), which is a sum of squared weighted residuals (residuals=weights\*(simFunc-simTarget)). Note simFunc corresponds to the vector of residuals when default arguments for simTarget and weights are used.

#### Value

List with

- par, the optimal parameters
- value, the optimal objective function value

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- sim, the simulated vector using optimal parameters
- residuals, the vector of residuals using optimal parameters
- counts, the total number of function calls
- convergence, an integer code indicating reason for completion. 1 maximum iterations reached, 2 relative reduction in function value small. 3 absolute reduction in function value small 4 relative change in parameters small

#### **Examples**

```
# Example 1: Rosenbrock
simFunc_rosenbrock=function(x) c(1.0-x[1],10.0*(x[2]-x[1]**2))
rgnOut = rgn(simFunc=simFunc_rosenbrock,
             par=c(-1.0, 0.0), lower=c(-1.5, -1.0), upper=c( 1.5, 3.0),
             simTarget=c(0,0))
rgnOut$par #optimal parameters
rgnOut$value #optimal objective function value
# Example 2: Hymod
data("BassRiver") # load Bass River hydrological data
rgnOut = rgn(simFunc=simFunc_hymod,
             par=c(400.,0.5,0.1,0.2,0.1),
             lower=c(1.,0.1,0.05,0.000001,0.000001),
             upper=c(1000.,2.,0.95,0.99999,0.99999),
             simTarget=BassRiverData$Runoff.mm.day[365:length(BassRiverData$Date)],
           stateVal=c(100.0,30.0,27.0,25.0,30.0,0.0,0.0,0.0), # initial states for hymod
             nWarmUp=365,
                                                                # warmup period
             rain=BassRiverData$Rain.mm,
                                                                # precip input
                                                                # PET input
             pet=BassRiverData$ET.mm)
rgnOut$par #optimal parameters
rgnOut$value #optimal objective function value
```

simFunc\_hymod

hymod simulation

#### **Description**

Simulation of hymod rainfall-runoff model

#### Usage

```
simFunc_hymod(
    x,
    rain,
    pet,
    nWarmUp,
    stateVal = c(100, 30, 27, 25, 30, 0, 0, 0)
)
```

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## Arguments

x parameter values

rain precipitation input (mm/day)

pet potential evapotranspiration (mm/day)

nWarmUp length of warmup period stateVal (optional) initial states

## Value

Vector of simulated runoff

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