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**Description** Given independent and identically distributed observations  $X(1), \dots, X(n)$ , this package allows to compute the maximum likelihood estimator (MLE) of a density as well as a smoothed version of it under the assumption that the density is log-concave, see Rufibach (2007) and Duembgen and Rufibach (2009). The main function of the package is ‘logConDens’ that allows computation of the log-concave MLE and its smoothed version. In addition, we provide functions to compute (1) the value of the density and distribution function estimates (MLE and smoothed) at a given point (2) the characterizing functions of the estimator, (3) to sample from the estimated distribution, (5) to compute a two-sample permutation test based on log-concave densities, (6) the ROC curve based on log-concave estimates within cases and controls, including confidence intervals for given values of false positive fractions. Finally, three datasets that have been used to illustrate log-concave density estimation are made available.

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logcon-package

*Estimate a Log-Concave Probability Density from iid Observations*

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### Description

The main function of this package is [logConDens](#): A function to compute the maximum likelihood estimator (MLE) of a log-concave density from one-dimensional i.i.d. observations as well as the kernel smoothed version derived from it. A list of additional functions that can be used to compute quantities relevant in that context can be found below.

Two algorithms are offered to compute the estimate: An active set ([logConDens](#)) and an iterative algorithm based on the pool-adjacent-violaters algorithm ([icmaLogCon](#)). The latter of these functions is only part of this package for historical reasons: it was the first method that was proposed to estimate a log-concave density, see Rufibach (2007). The more efficient way of computing the estimate is via an active set algorithm. The smoothed versions of the log-concave density and distribution function estimates discussed in Section 3 of Duembgen and Rufibach (2009) are available in the function [evaluateLogConDens](#).

To compute a log-concave density, CDF, and survival function from interval- or right-censored observations use the package **logconcens**. A log-concave probability mass function can be computed using the package **logcondiscr**, see Balabdaoui et al (2012) for details. For the computation of a log-concave estimate in any dimension the package **LogConDEAD** can be used.

## Details

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The following additional functions and datasets are provided in the package:

[evaluateLogConDens](#) Computes the value of the estimated log-density, density, and distribution function of the MLE and the smoothed estimator at a given  $x_0$ .

[quantilesLogConDens](#) Computes quantiles of the estimated distribution function at a given  $x_0$ .

[intECDF](#) Compute the integrated empirical distribution function of the observations at a given  $x_0$ .

[intF](#) Compute the integral of the distribution function corresponding to the log-concave density estimator at a given  $x_0$ .

[logconTwoSample](#) Compute a permutation test for the difference between two distribution functions.

[logConROC](#) Compute ROC curve based on log-concave density estimates within cases and controls.

[confIntBootLogConROC\\_t0](#) Compute bootstrap confidence intervals at given false positive fractions ( $= 1 - \text{specificity}$ ) for the ROC curve based on log-concave density estimates.

[isoMean](#) Compute the weighted least squares regression under a monotonicity constraint (the Grenander estimator). This function is used as part of [icmaLogCon](#) but is also of independent interest.

The following datasets have been used in several publications to illustrate log-concave density estimation and are therefore included in this package:

[reliability](#) Dataset that contains the data analyzed in Duembgen and Rufibach (2009, Figure 2). See the help file for [logConDens](#) for the analysis of this data.

[brightstar](#) Dataset that contains the data analyzed in Mizera and Koenker (2009, Section 5). The sample consists of measurements of radial and rotational velocities for the stars from the Bright Star Catalog, see Hoffleit and Warren (1991).

[pancreas](#) Data from pancreatic cancer serum biomarker study, first published by Wieand et al (1989). Contains data on serum measurements for a cancer antigen (CA-125) and a carbohydrate

antigen (CA19.9) both of which are measured on a continuous non-negative scale. The measurements were taken within a case-control study on 90 cases with pancreatic cancer and 51 controls who did not have cancer but pancreatitis.

A [print](#) and [summary](#) for objects of class `d1c`, generated by `logConDens`, are available as well.

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MatLab code with an implementation of the active set algorithm is available on request from Lutz Duembgen.

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### Examples

```
## estimate gamma density
set.seed(1977)
x <- rgamma(100, 2, 1)
res <- logConDens(x, smoothed = FALSE, print = TRUE)
```

```

summary(res)

## compare performance to ICMA
res2 <- icmaLogCon(x, T1 = 2000, robustif = TRUE, print = TRUE)

res$L
res2$L

## plot resulting functions
par(mfrow = c(2, 2), mar = c(3, 2, 1, 2))
plot(res, which = "density")
plot(res, which = "log-density")
plot(res, which = "CDF")
plot(res$x, res$H, type = 'l'); rug(res$x)

## compute function values at an arbitrary point
x0 <- (res$x[50] + res$x[51]) / 2
evaluateLogConDens(x0, res)

## compute 0.5 quantile of Fhat
quantilesLogConDens(0.5, res)

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activeSetLogCon	<i>Computes a Log-Concave Probability Density Estimate via an Active Set Algorithm</i>
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## Description

Given a vector of observations  $\mathbf{x}_n = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  with not necessarily equal entries, `activeSetLogCon` first computes vectors  $\mathbf{x}_m = (x_1, \dots, x_m)$  and  $\mathbf{w} = (w_1, \dots, w_m)$  where  $w_i$  is the weight of each  $x_i$  s.t.  $\sum_{i=1}^m w_i = 1$ . Then, `activeSetLogCon` computes a concave, piecewise linear function  $\hat{\phi}_m$  on  $[x_1, x_m]$  with knots only in  $\{x_1, \dots, x_m\}$  such that

$$L(\phi) = \sum_{i=1}^m w_i \phi(x_i) - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(\phi(t)) dt$$

is maximal. To accomplish this, an active set algorithm is used.

## Usage

```
activeSetLogCon(x, xgrid = NULL, print = FALSE, w = NA)
```

## Arguments

x	Vector of independent and identically distributed numbers, not necessarily unique.
xgrid	Governs the generation of weights for observations. See <code>preProcess</code> for details.
print	<code>print = TRUE</code> outputs the log-likelihood in every loop, <code>print = FALSE</code> does not. Make sure to tell R to output (press CTRL+W).
w	Optional vector of weights. If weights are provided, i.e. if <code>w != NA</code> , then <code>xgrid</code> is ignored.

**Value**

xn	Vector with initial observations $x_1, \dots, x_n$ .
x	Vector of observations $x_1, \dots, x_m$ that was used to estimate the density.
w	The vector of weights that had been used. Depends on the chosen setting for <code>xgrid</code> .
phi	Vector with entries $\hat{\phi}_m(x_i)$ .
IsKnot	Vector with entries $\text{IsKnot}_i = 1\{\hat{\phi}_m \text{ has a kink at } x_i\}$ .
L	The value $L(\hat{\phi}_m)$ of the log-likelihood-function $L$ at the maximum $\hat{\phi}_m$ .
Fhat	A vector $(\hat{F}_{m,i})_{i=1}^m$ of the same size as $x$ with entries

$$\hat{F}_{m,i} = \int_{x_1}^{x_i} \exp(\hat{\phi}_m(t)) dt.$$

H	Vector $(H_1, \dots, H_m)'$ where $H_i$ is the derivative of
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$$t \rightarrow L(\phi + t\Delta_i)$$

at zero and  $\Delta_i(x) = \min(x - x_i, 0)$ .

n	Number of initial observations.
m	Number of unique observations.
knots	Observations that correspond to the knots.
mode	Mode of the estimated density $\hat{f}_m$ .
sig	The standard deviation of the initial sample $x_1, \dots, x_n$ .

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**See Also**

[activeSetLogCon](#) can be used to estimate a log-concave density. However, to generate an object of class `d1c` that allows application of [summary](#) and [plot](#) we recommend to use [logConDens](#).

The following functions are used by [activeSetLogCon](#):

[J00](#), [J10](#), [J11](#), [J20](#), [Local\\_LL](#), [Local\\_LL\\_all](#), [LocalCoarsen](#), [LocalConvexity](#), [LocalExtend](#), [LocalF](#), [LocalMLE](#), [LocalNormalize](#), [MLE](#)

Log concave density estimation via an iterative convex minorant algorithm can be performed using [icmaLogCon](#).

**Examples**

```
## estimate gamma density
set.seed(1977)
n <- 200
x <- rgamma(n, 2, 1)
res <- activeSetLogCon(x, w = rep(1 / n, n), print = FALSE)

## plot resulting functions
par(mfrow = c(2, 2), mar = c(3, 2, 1, 2))
plot(res$x, exp(res$phi), type = 'l'); rug(x)
plot(res$x, res$phi, type = 'l'); rug(x)
plot(res$x, res$Fhat, type = 'l'); rug(x)
plot(res$x, res$H, type = 'l'); rug(x)

## compute and plot function values at an arbitrary point
x0 <- (res$x[100] + res$x[101]) / 2
Fx0 <- evaluateLogConDens(x0, res, which = 3)[, "CDF"]
plot(res$x, res$Fhat, type = 'l'); rug(res$x)
abline(v = x0, lty = 3); abline(h = Fx0, lty = 3)

## compute and plot 0.9-quantile of Fhat
q <- quantilesLogConDens(0.9, res)[2]
plot(res$x, res$Fhat, type = 'l'); rug(res$x)
abline(h = 0.9, lty = 3); abline(v = q, lty = 3)
```

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 activeSetRoutines

*Auxiliary Numerical Routines for the Function activeSetLogCon*


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**Description**

Functions that are used by [activeSetLogCon](#).

**Usage**

```
LocalCoarsen(x, w, IsKnot)
LocalConvexity(x, phi)
LocalExtend(x, IsKnot, x2, phi2)
```

```
LocalF(x, phi)
LocalNormalize(x, phi)
LocalMLE(x, w, IsKnot, phi_o, prec)
LocalVariance(x, w = NULL, phi)
```

### Arguments

x	Vector of independent and identically distributed numbers, with strictly increasing entries.
w	Optional vector of nonnegative weights corresponding to $x$ .
IsKnot	Vector with entries $\text{IsKnot}_i = 1\{\phi \text{ has a kink at } x_i\}$ .
phi	Vector with entries $\phi(x_i)$ .
x2	Vector of same type as $x$ .
phi2	Vector of same type as $\phi$ .
phi_o	Optional starting vector.
prec	Threshold for the directional derivative during Newton-Raphson procedure.

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### See Also

All the above functions are used by [activeSetLogCon](#) to estimate a log-concave probability density. Log concave density estimation via an iterative convex minorant algorithm can be performed using [icmaLogCon](#).

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brightstar

*Bright star dataset used to illustrate log-concave density estimation*

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### Description

Dataset that contains the data analyzed in Mizera and Koenker (2009, Section 5). The sample consists of measurements of radial and rotational velocities for the stars from the Bright Star Catalog, see Hoffleit and Warren (1991).

### Usage

```
data(brightstar)
```

**Format**

A data frame with 9092 rows on the following 2 variables.

nr Location of measurements.  
 rad Measurements of radial velocities.  
 rot Measurements of rotational velocities.

**Source**

The data was downloaded from <ftp://adc.astro.umd.edu/pub/adc/archives/catalogs/5/5050/> on September 3, 2009.

**References**

Duembgen, L. and Rufibach, K. (2009) Maximum likelihood estimation of a log-concave density and its distribution function: basic properties and uniform consistency. *Bernoulli*, **15**(1), 40–68.  
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 Mizera, I., Koenker, R. (2010). Quasi-concave density estimation. *Ann. Statist.*, **38**(5), 2998–3027.

**Examples**

```
# ---- load rotational velocity data ----
data(brightstar)

# ---- compute and plot log-concave estimate ----
# See also Figure 3 in Koenker & Mizera (2009)
x0 <- sort(brightstar[, 3])
res <- logConDens(x0, print = FALSE, smoothed = FALSE)
plot(res, which = "density")
```

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```
confIntBootLogConROC_t0
```

*Function to compute a bootstrap confidence interval for the ROC curve at a given  $t$ , based on the log-concave ROC curve*

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**Description**

This function computes a bootstrap confidence interval for the ROC curve at a given value false negative fraction (1 - specificity)  $t$ . The ROC curve estimate is based on log-concave densities, as discussed in Rufibach (2011).

**Usage**

```
confIntBootLogConROC_t0(controls, cases, grid = c(0.2, 0.8), conf.level = 0.95,
  M = 1000, smooth = TRUE, output = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

cases	Values of the continuous variable for the cases.
controls	Values of the continuous variable for the controls.
grid	Values of 1 - specificity where confidence intervals should be computed at (may be a vector).
conf.level	Confidence level of confidence interval.
M	Number of bootstrap replicates.
smooth	Logical. Compute confidence interval also for ROC curve estimate based on smoothed log-concave densities.
output	Logical. Show progress of computations?

**Value**

A list containing the following elements:

qs	data.frame with the columns t (false positive fractions where confidence interval is computed at) and the confidence intervals for the ROC curve at grid, based on the log-concave density estimate.
boot.mat	Bootstrap samples for the ROC curve based on the log-concave density estimate.
qs.smooth	If smooth = TRUE, same as qs but for the ROC curve based on the smooth log-concave density estimate.
boot.mat.smooth	If smooth = TRUE, bootstrap samples for the ROC curve based on the smoothed log-concave density estimate.

**Note**

The confidence intervals are only valid if observations are *independent*, i.e. each patient only contributes one measurement, e.g.

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**References**

The reference for computation of these bootstrap confidence intervals is:

Rufibach, K. (2012). A smooth ROC curve estimator based on log-concave density estimates. *Int. J. Biostat.*, to appear.

The bootstrap competitor based on the empirical ROC curve is described in:

Zhou, X.H. and Qin, G. (2005). Improved confidence intervals for the sensitivity at a fixed level of specificity of a continuous-scale diagnostic test. *Statist. Med.*, **24**, 465–477.

**See Also**

The ROC curve based on log-concave density estimates can be computed using [logConROC](#). In the example below we analyze the [pancreas](#) data.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
## ROC curve for pancreas data
data(pancreas)
status <- factor(pancreas[, "status"], levels = 0:1, labels = c("healthy", "diseased"))
var <- log(pancreas[, "ca199"])
cases <- var[status == "diseased"]
controls <- var[status == "healthy"]

## compute confidence intervals
res <- confIntBootLogConROC_t0(controls, cases, grid = c(0.2, 0.8), conf.level = 0.95,
  M = 1000, smooth = TRUE, output = TRUE)
res

## End(Not run)
```

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evaluateLogConDens	<i>Evaluates the Log-Density MLE and Smoothed Estimator at Arbitrary Real Numbers <math>xs</math></i>
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**Description**

Based on the output of [activeSetLogCon](#), this function computes the values of

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{\phi}_m(t) \\ \widehat{f}_m(t) &= \exp(\widehat{\phi}_m(t)) \\ \widehat{F}_m(t) &= \int_{x_1}^t \exp(\widehat{\phi}_m(x)) dx \\ \widehat{f}_m^*(t) &= \exp(\widehat{\phi}_m^*(t)) \\ \widehat{F}_m^*(t) &= \int_{x_1}^t \exp(\widehat{\phi}_m^*(x)) dx \end{aligned}$$

at all real number  $t$  in  $xs$ . The exact formula for  $\widehat{F}_m$  and  $t \in [x_j, x_{j+1}]$  is

$$\widehat{F}_m(t) = \widehat{F}_m(x_j) + (x_{j+1} - x_j) J\left(\widehat{\phi}_j, \widehat{\phi}_{j+1}, \frac{t - x_j}{x_{j+1} - x_j}\right)$$

for the function  $J$  introduced in [Jfunctions](#). Closed formulas can also be given for  $\widehat{f}_m^*(t)$  and  $\widehat{F}_m^*(t)$ .

**Usage**

```
evaluateLogConDens(xs, res, which = 1:5, gam = NULL, print = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

<code>xs</code>	Vector of real numbers where the functions should be evaluated at.
<code>res</code>	An object of class "dlc", usually a result of a call to <code>logConDens</code> .
<code>which</code>	A (sub-)vector of 1:5 specifying which of the above quantities should be computed.
<code>gam</code>	Only necessary if <code>smoothed = TRUE</code> . The standard deviation of the normal kernel. If equal to <code>NULL</code> , <code>gam</code> is chosen such that the variances of the original sample $x_1, \dots, x_n$ and $\hat{f}_n^*$ coincide. See <code>logConDens</code> for details.
<code>print</code>	Progress in computation of smooth estimates is shown.

**Value**

Matrix with rows  $(x_{0,i}, \hat{\phi}_m(x_{0,i}), \hat{f}_m(x_{0,i}), \hat{F}_m(x_{0,i}), \hat{f}_m^*(x_{0,i}), \hat{F}_m^*(x_{0,i}))$  where  $x_{0,i}$  is the  $i$ -th entry of `xs`.

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**Examples**

```
## estimate gamma density
set.seed(1977)
x <- rgamma(200, 2, 1)
res <- logConDens(x, smoothed = TRUE, print = FALSE)

## compute function values at an arbitrary point
xs <- (res$x[100] + res$x[101]) / 2
evaluateLogConDens(xs, res)

## only compute function values for non-smooth estimates
evaluateLogConDens(xs, res, which = 1:3)
```

icmaLogCon

*Computes a Log-Concave Probability Density Estimate via an Iterative Convex Minorant Algorithm*

### Description

Given a vector of observations  $\mathbf{x}_n = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  with not necessarily equal entries, `activeSetLogCon` first computes vectors  $\mathbf{x}_m = (x_1, \dots, x_m)$  and  $\mathbf{w} = (w_1, \dots, w_m)$  where  $w_i$  is the weight of each  $x_i$  s.t.  $\sum_{i=1}^m w_i = 1$ . Then, `activeSetLogCon` computes a concave, piecewise linear function  $\hat{\phi}_m$  on  $[x_1, x_m]$  with knots only in  $\{x_1, \dots, x_m\}$  such that

$$L(\phi) = \sum_{i=1}^m w_i \phi(x_i) - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(\phi(t)) dt$$

is maximal. In order to be able to apply the pool - adjacent - violaters algorithm, computations are performed in the parametrization

$$\boldsymbol{\eta}(\phi) = \left( \phi_1, \left( \eta_1 + \sum_{j=2}^i (x_i - x_{i-1}) \eta_j \right)_{i=2}^m \right).$$

To find the maximum of  $L$ , a variant of the iterative convex minorant using the pool - adjacent - violaters algorithm is used.

### Usage

```
icmaLogCon(x, xgrid = NULL, eps = 10^-8, T1 = 2000,
           robustif = TRUE, print = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

<code>x</code>	Vector of independent and identically distributed numbers, not necessarily equal.
<code>xgrid</code>	Governs the generation of weights for observations. See <code>preProcess</code> for details.
<code>eps</code>	An arbitrary real number, typically small. Iterations are halted if the directional derivative of $\boldsymbol{\eta} \rightarrow L(\boldsymbol{\eta})$ in the direction of the new candidate is $\leq \varepsilon$ .
<code>T1</code>	Maximal number of iterations to perform.
<code>robustif</code>	<code>robustif = TRUE</code> performs the robustification and Hermite interpolation procedure detailed in Rufibach (2006, 2007), <code>robustif = FALSE</code> does not. In the latter case, convergence of the algorithm is no longer guaranteed.
<code>print</code>	<code>print = TRUE</code> outputs log-likelihood in every loop, <code>print = FALSE</code> does not. Make sure to tell R to output (press CTRL+W).

**Value**

x	Vector of observations $x_1, \dots, x_m$ that was used to estimate the density.
w	The vector of weights that had been used. Depends on the chosen setting for <code>xgrid</code> .
f	Vector with entries $\hat{f}_m(x_i)$ .
xn	Vector with initial observations $x_1, \dots, x_n$ .
Loglik	The value $L(\hat{\phi}_m)$ of the log-likelihood-function $L$ at the maximum $\hat{\phi}_m$ .
Iterations	Number of iterations performed.
sig	The standard deviation of the initial sample $x_1, \dots, x_n$ .

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**See Also**

`icmaLogCon` can be used to estimate a log-concave density. However, to generate an object of class `dlc` that allows application of `summary` and `plot` one has to use `logConDens`.

The following functions are used by `icmaLogCon`:

`phieta`, `etaphi`, `Lhat_eta`, `quadDeriv`, `robust`, `isoMean`.

**Examples**

```
set.seed(1977)
x <- rgamma(200, 2, 1)
## Not run:
res <- icmaLogCon(x, T1 = 2000, robustif = TRUE, print = TRUE)

## plot resulting functions
par(mfrow = c(2, 1), mar = c(3, 2, 1, 2))
plot(x, exp(res$phi), type = 'l'); rug(x)
plot(x, res$phi, type = 'l'); rug(x)

## End(Not run)
```

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intECDF	<i>Computes the Integrated Empirical Distribution Function at Arbitrary Real Numbers in s</i>
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### Description

Computes the value of

$$\bar{I}(t) = \int_{x_1}^t \bar{F}(r) dr$$

where  $\bar{F}$  is the empirical distribution function of  $x_1, \dots, x_m$ , at all real numbers  $t$  in the vector  $s$ . Note that  $t$  (so all elements in  $s$ ) must lie in  $[x_1, x_m]$ . The exact formula for  $\bar{I}(t)$  is

$$\bar{I}(t) = \left( \sum_{i=2}^{i_0} (x_i - x_{i-1}) \frac{i-1}{n} \right) + (t - x_{i_0}) \frac{i_0 - 1}{n}$$

where  $i_0 = \max_{i=1, \dots, m} \{x_i \leq t\}$ .

### Usage

intECDF(s, x)

### Arguments

**s**                      Vector of real numbers in  $[x_1, x_m]$  where  $\bar{I}$  should be evaluated at.  
**x**                        Vector  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_m)$  of original observations.

### Value

Vector of the same length as  $s$ , containing the values of  $\bar{I}$  at the elements of  $s$ .

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## See Also

This function together with `intF` can be used to check the characterization of the log-concave density estimator in terms of distribution functions, see Rufibach (2006) and Duembgen and Rufibach (2009).

## Examples

# for an example see the function `intF`.

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<code>intF</code>	<i>Computes the Integral of the estimated CDF at Arbitrary Real Numbers in <math>s</math></i>
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## Description

Based on an object of class `dlc` as output by the function `logConDens`, this function gives values of

$$\hat{I}(t) = \int_{x_1}^t \hat{F}(r) dr$$

at all numbers in  $s$ . Note that  $t$  (so all elements in  $s$ ) must lie in  $[x_1, x_m]$ . The exact formula for  $\hat{I}(t)$  is

$$\hat{I}(t) = \left( \sum_{i=1}^{i_0} \hat{I}_i(x_{i+1}) \right) + \hat{I}_{i_0}(t)$$

where  $i_0 = \min\{m - 1, \{i : x_i \leq t\}\}$  and

$$I_j(x) = \int_{x_j}^x \hat{F}(r) dr = (x - x_j) \hat{F}(x_j) + \Delta x_{j+1} \left( \frac{\Delta x_{j+1}}{\Delta \hat{\phi}_{j+1}} J(\hat{\phi}_j, \hat{\phi}_{j+1}, \frac{x - x_j}{\Delta x_{j+1}}) - \frac{\hat{f}(x_j)(x - x_j)}{\Delta \hat{\phi}_{j+1}} \right)$$

for  $x \in [x_j, x_{j+1}]$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, m - 1$ ,  $\Delta v_{i+1} = v_{i+1} - v_i$  for any vector  $v$  and the function  $J$  introduced in `Jfunctions`.

**Usage**

```
intF(s, res)
```

**Arguments**

`s`                    Vector of real numbers where the functions should be evaluated at.  
`res`                    An object of class "dlc", usually a result of a call to logConDens.

**Value**

Vector of the same length as `s`, containing the values of  $\hat{I}$  at the elements of `s`.

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**See Also**

This function uses the output of `activeSetLogCon`. The function `intECDF` is similar, but based on the empirical distribution function.

**Examples**

```
## estimate gamma density
set.seed(1977)
x <- rgamma(200, 2, 1)
res <- logConDens(x, smoothed = FALSE, print = FALSE)

## compute and plot the process D(t) in Duembgen and Rufibach (2009)
s <- seq(min(res$x), max(res$x), by = 10 ^ -3)
D1 <- intF(s, res)
D2 <- intECDF(s, res$x)
par(mfrow = c(2, 1))
plot(res$x, res$phi, type = 'l'); rug(res$x)
```

```
plot(s, D1 - D2, type = 'l'); abline(h = 0, lty = 2)
```

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isoMean	<i>Pool-Adjacent Violators Algorithm: Least Square Fit under Monotonicity Constraint</i>
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### Description

Fits a vector  $\hat{g}$  with nondecreasing components to the data vector  $\mathbf{y}$  such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{g}_i)^2$$

is minimal (pool - adjacent - violators algorithm). In case a weight vector with positive entries (and the same size as  $\mathbf{y}$ ) is provided, the function produces an isotonic vector minimizing

$$\sum_{i=1}^n w_i (y_i - \hat{g}_i)^2.$$

### Usage

```
isoMean(y, w)
```

### Arguments

**y**                      Vector  $(y_1, \dots, y_n)$  of data points.  
**w**                      Arbitrary vector  $(w_1, \dots, w_n)$  of weights.

### Value

Returns vector  $\hat{g}$ .

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**Examples**

```
## simple regression model
n <- 50
x <- sort(runif(n, 0, 1))
y <- x ^ 2 + rnorm(n, 0, 0.2)
s <- seq(0, 1, by = 0.01)
plot(s, s ^ 2, col = 2, type = 'l', xlim = range(c(0, 1, x)),
      ylim = range(c(0, 1, y))); rug(x)

## plot pava result
lines(x, isoMean(y, rep(1 / n, n)), type = 's')
```

Jfunctions

*Numerical Routine J and Some Derivatives***Description**

J00 represents the function  $J(x, y, v)$ , where for real numbers  $x, y$  and  $v \in [0, 1]$ ,

$$J(x, y, v) = \int_0^v \exp((1-t)x + ty) dt = \frac{\exp(x + v(y-x)) - \exp(x)}{y-x}.$$

The functions  $J_{ab}$  give the respective derivatives  $J_{ab}$  for  $v = 1$ , i.e.

$$J_{ab}(x, y) = \frac{\partial^{a+b}}{\partial x^a \partial y^b} J(x, y).$$

Specifically,

$$J_{10}(x, y) = \frac{\exp(y) - \exp(x) - (y-x)\exp(x)}{(y-x)^2};$$

$$J_{11}(x, y) = \frac{(y-x)(\exp(x) + \exp(y)) + 2(\exp(y) - \exp(x))}{(y-x)^3};$$

$$J_{20}(x, y) = 2 \frac{\exp(y) - \exp(x) - (y-x)\exp(x) - (y-x)^2 \exp(x)}{(y-x)^3}.$$

**Usage**

```
J00(x, y, v)
J10(x, y)
J11(x, y)
J20(x, y)
```

**Arguments**

x	Vector of length $d$ with real entries.
y	Vector of length $d$ with real entries.
v	Number in $[0, 1]^d$ .

**Value**

Value of the respective function.

**Note**

Taylor approximations are used if  $y - x$  is small. We refer to Duembgen et al (2011, Section 6) for details.

These functions are not intended to be invoked by the end user.

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Lhat\_eta

*Value of the Log-Likelihood Function L, where Input is in Eta-Parametrization*

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**Description**

Gives the value of

$$L(\phi) = \sum_{i=1}^m w_i \phi(x_i) - \int_{x_1}^{x_m} \exp(\phi(t)) dt$$

where  $\phi$  is parametrized via

$$\boldsymbol{\eta}(\phi) = \left( \phi_1, \left( \eta_1 + \sum_{j=2}^i (x_i - x_{i-1}) \eta_j \right)_{i=2}^m \right).$$

**Usage**

Lhat\_eta(x, w, eta)

**Arguments**

x                    Vector of independent and identically distributed numbers, with strictly increasing entries.  
w                    Optional vector of nonnegative weights corresponding to  $x_m$ .  
eta                    Some vector  $\eta$  of the same length as  $x$  and  $w$ .

**Value**

Value  $L(\phi) = L(\phi(\eta))$  of the log-likelihood function is returned.

**Note**

This function is not intended to be invoked by the end user.

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Local_LL	<i>Value of the Log-Likelihood Function L, where Input is in Phi-Parametrization</i>
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**Description**

Gives the value of

$$L(\phi) = \sum_{i=1}^m w_i \phi(x_i) - \int_{x_1}^{x_m} \exp(\phi(t)) dt.$$

**Usage**

Local\_LL(x, w, phi)

**Arguments**

x                    Vector of independent and identically distributed numbers, with strictly increasing entries.  
w                    Optional vector of nonnegative weights corresponding to  $x_m$ .  
phi                    Some vector  $\phi$  of the same length as  $x$  and  $w$ .

**Value**

Value  $L = L(\phi)$  of the log-likelihood function is returned.

**Note**

This function is not intended to be invoked by the end user.

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 Local\_LL\_all

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*Log-likelihood, New Candidate and Directional Derivative for L*


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**Description**

Computes the value of the log-likelihood function

$$L(\phi) = \sum_{i=1}^m w_i \phi(x_i) - \int_{x_1}^{x_m} \exp(\phi(t)) dt,$$

a new candidate for  $\phi$  via the Newton method as well as the directional derivative of  $\phi \rightarrow L(\phi)$  into that direction.

**Usage**

Local\_LL\_all(x, w, phi)

**Arguments**

x	Vector of independent and identically distributed numbers, with strictly increasing entries.
w	Optional vector of nonnegative weights corresponding to $x_m$ .
phi	Some vector $\phi$ of the same length as $x$ and $w$ .

**Value**

ll	Value $L(\phi)$ of the log-likelihood function at $\phi$ .
phi_new	New candidate for $\phi$ via the Newton-method, using the complete Hessian matrix.
dirderiv	Directional derivative of $\phi \rightarrow L(\phi)$ into the direction $\phi_{new}$ .

**Note**

This function is not intended to be invoked by the end user.

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 logConDens

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*Compute log-concave density estimator and related quantities*


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**Description**

Compute the log-concave and smoothed log-concave density estimator.

**Usage**

```
logConDens(x, xgrid = NULL, smoothed = TRUE, print = FALSE,
           gam = NULL, xs = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

x	Vector of independent and identically distributed numbers, not necessarily unique.
xgrid	Governs the generation of weights for observations. See <a href="#">preProcess</a> for details.
smoothed	If TRUE, the smoothed version of the log-concave density estimator is also computed.
print	print = TRUE outputs the log-likelihood in every loop, print = FALSE does not. Make sure to tell R to output (press CTRL+W).
gam	Only necessary if smoothed = TRUE. The standard deviation of the normal kernel. If equal to NULL, gam is chosen such that the variances of the original sample $x_1, \dots, x_n$ and $\hat{f}_n^*$ coincide.
xs	Only necessary if smoothed = TRUE. Either provide a vector of support points where the smoothed estimator should be computed at, or leave as NULL. Then, a sufficiently width equidistant grid of points will be used.

**Details**

See [activeSetLogCon](#) for details on the computations.

**Value**

`logConDens` returns an object of class "dlc", a list containing the following components: `xn`, `x`, `w`, `phi`, `IsKnot`, `L`, `Fhat`, `H`, `n`, `m`, `knots`, `mode`, and `sig` as generated by `activeSetLogCon`. If `smoothed = TRUE`, then the returned object additionally contains `f.smoothed`, `F.smoothed`, `gam`, and `xs` as generated by `evaluateLogConDens`. Finally, the entry `smoothed` of type "logical" returns the value of `smoothed`.

The methods `summary.dlc` and `plot.dlc` are used to obtain a summary and generate plots of the estimated density.

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**Examples**

```
## =====
## Illustrate on simulated data
## =====

## Set parameters
n <- 50
x <- rnorm(n)

res <- logConDens(x, smoothed = TRUE, print = FALSE, gam = NULL,
  xs = NULL)
summary(res)
plot(res, which = "density", legend.pos = "topright")
plot(res, which = "log-density")
plot(res, which = "CDF")

## Compute slopes and intercepts of the linear functions that
## compose phi
slopes <- diff(res$phi) / diff(res$x)
intercepts <- -slopes * res$x[-n] + res$phi[-n]
```

```

## =====
## Illustrate method on reliability data
## Reproduce Fig. 2 in Duembgen & Rufibach (2009)
## =====

## Set parameters
data(reliability)
x <- reliability
n <- length(x)
res <- logConDens(x, smooth = TRUE, print = TRUE)
phi <- res$phi
f <- exp(phi)

## smoothed log-concave PDF
f.smoothed <- res$f.smoothed
xs <- res$xs

## compute kernel density
sig <- sd(x)
h <- sig / sqrt(n)
f.kernel <- rep(NA, length(xs))
for (i in 1:length(xs)){
  xi <- xs[i]
  f.kernel[i] <- mean(dnorm(xi, mean = x, sd = h))
}

## compute normal density
mu <- mean(x)
f.normal <- dnorm(xs, mean = mu, sd = sig)

## =====
## Plot resulting densities, i.e. reproduce Fig. 2
## in Duembgen and Rufibach (2009)
## =====
plot(0, 0, type = 'n', xlim = range(xs), ylim = c(0, 6.5 * 10^-3))
rug(res$x)
lines(res$x, f, col = 2)
lines(xs, f.normal, col = 3)
lines(xs, f.kernel, col = 4)
lines(xs, f.smoothed, lwd = 3, col = 5)
legend("topleft", c("log-concave", "normal", "kernel",
  "log-concave smoothed"), lty = 1, col = 2:5, bty = "n")

## =====
## Plot log-densities
## =====
plot(0, 0, type = 'n', xlim = range(xs), ylim = c(-20, -5))
legend("bottomright", c("log-concave", "normal", "kernel",
  "log-concave smoothed"), lty = 1, col = 2:5, bty = "n")
rug(res$x)
lines(res$x, phi, col = 2)

```

```
lines(xs, log(f.normal), col = 3)
lines(xs, log(f.kernel), col = 4)
lines(xs, log(f.smoothed), lwd = 3, col = 5)
```

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logConROC	<i>Compute ROC curve based on log-concave estimates for the constituent distributions</i>
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### Description

The receiver operating characteristic (ROC) curve for two constituent distributions  $F$  and  $G$  is defined as

$$R(t; F, G) = 1 - G(F^{-1}(1 - t))$$

for  $t \in [0, 1]$ . It is typically used to assess the performance of a diagnostic test used to discriminate between healthy and diseased individuals based on a continuous variable.

### Usage

```
logConROC(cases, controls, grid, smooth = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

cases	A vector of measurements for the cases.
controls	A vector of measurements for the controls.
grid	A vector specifying the grid where the ROC curve is computed on.
smooth	Logical, indicating whether ROC curve and AUC should also be computed based on the smoothed log-concave density estimator.

### Details

In Rufibach (2011) it was shown that the ROC curve based on log-concave density estimates exhibit nice properties for finite sample sizes as well as asymptotically. Its performance is typically much better than that of the empirical ROC curve and only, if at all, slightly worse compared to the binormal model when in fact the underlying densities are normal. However, log-concavity encompasses many parametric densities, so this new model is much more flexible than the binormal one, at little efficiency sacrifice.

### Value

m	Number of control measurements.
n	Number of case measurements.
fROC	Estimated ROC curve based on the log-concave density estimate.
fROC.smooth	Estimated ROC curve based on the smoothed log-concave density estimate.
res0	d1c object as a result of a call to <a href="#">logConDens</a> for the data of the controls.
res1	d1c object as a result of a call to <a href="#">logConDens</a> for the data of the cases.

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**See Also**

Confidence intervals at given false-positive fractions for the ROC curve based on log-concave densities can be computed using `confIntBootLogConROC_t0`. For the computation of the AUC the function `ROCx` is used. In the example below we analyze the `pancreas` data.

**Examples**

```
## ROC curve for pancreas data
data(pancreas)
status <- factor(pancreas[, "status"], levels = 0:1,
  labels = c("healthy", "diseased"))
var <- log(pancreas[, "ca199"])
cases <- var[status == "diseased"]
controls <- var[status == "healthy"]

## compute and plot empirical ROC curve
## code modified from https://stat.ethz.ch/pipermail/r-help/2008-October/178531.html
xx <- c(-Inf, sort(unique(c(cases, controls))), Inf)
sens <- sapply(xx, function(x){mean(cases >= x)})
spec <- sapply(xx, function(x){mean(controls < x)})

## compute log-concave ROC curve
grid <- seq(0, 1, by = 1 / 500)
roc.logcon <- logConROC(cases, controls, grid)

## plot
plot(0, 0, xlim = c(0, 1), ylim = c(0, 1), type = 'l',
  main = "ROC curves for pancreas data", xlab = "1 - specificity",
  ylab = "sensitivity", pty = 's')
legend("bottomright", c("empirical ROC", "log-concave ROC", "smooth log-concave ROC"),
  lty = c(1, 1, 2), lwd = 2, col = 2:4, bty = "n")
segments(0, 0, 1, 1, col = 1)
lines(1 - spec, sens, type = 'l', col = 2, lwd = 2)
lines(grid, roc.logcon$fROC, col = 3, lwd = 2)
lines(grid, roc.logcon$fROC.smooth, col = 4, lwd = 2, lty = 2)
```

```
## Not run:
## bootstrap confidence intervals at 1 - specificity = 0.2 and 0.8:
res <- confIntBootLogConROC_t0(controls, cases, grid = c(0.2, 0.8), conf.level = 0.95,
  M = 1000, smooth = TRUE, output = TRUE)
res

## End(Not run)
```

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logconTwoSample	<i>Compute p-values for two-sample test based on log-concave CDF estimates</i>
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### Description

Compute  $p$ -values for a test for the null hypothesis of equal CDFs of two samples. The test statistic is reminiscent of Kolmogorv-Smirnov's, but instead of computing it for the empirical CDFs, this function computes it based on log-concave estimates for the CDFs.

### Usage

```
logconTwoSample(x, y, which = c("MLE", "smooth"), M = 999,
  n.grid = 500, display = TRUE, seed0 = 1977)
```

### Arguments

x	First data sample.
y	Second data sample.
which	Indicate for which type of estimate the test statistic should be computed.
M	Number of permutations.
n.grid	Number of grid points in computation of maximal difference between smoothed log-concave CDFs. See <a href="#">maxDiffCDF</a> for details.
display	If TRUE progress of computations is shown.
seed0	Set seed to reproduce results.

### Details

Given two i.i.d. samples  $x_1, \dots, x_{n_1}$  and  $y_1, \dots, y_{n_2}$  this function computes a permutation test  $p$ -value that provides evidence against the null hypothesis

$$H_0 : F_1 = F_2$$

where  $F_1, F_2$  are the CDFs of the samples, respectively. A test either based on the log-concave MLE or on its smoothed version (see Duembgen and Rufibach, 2009, Section 3) are provided. Note that computation of the smoothed version takes considerably more time.

**Value**

p.value            A two dimensional vector containing the  $p$ -values.  
 test.stat.orig    The test statistics for the original samples.  
 test.stats        A  $M \times 2$  matrix containing the test statistics for all the permutations.

**Warning**

Note that the algorithm that finds the maximal difference for the smoothed estimate is of approximate nature only. It may fail for very large sample sizes.

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**Examples**

```
## Not run:
n1 <- 30
n2 <- 25
x <- rgamma(n1, 2, 1)
y <- rgamma(n2, 2, 1) + 1
twosample <- logconTwoSample(x, y, which = c("MLE", "smooth")[1], M = 999)

## End(Not run)
```

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maxDiffCDF	<i>Compute maximal difference between CDFs corresponding to log-concave estimates</i>
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**Description**

Compute the maximal difference between two estimated log-concave distribution functions, either the MLEs or the smoothed versions. This function is used to set up a two-sample permutation test that assesses the null hypothesis of equality of distribution functions.

**Usage**

```
maxDiffCDF(res1, res2, which = c("MLE", "smooth"), n.grid = 500)
```

**Arguments**

res1	An object of class "dlc", usually a result of a call to logConDens for the first sample.
res2	An object of class "dlc", usually a result of a call to logConDens for the second sample.
which	Indicate for which type of estimate the maximal difference should be computed.
n.grid	Number of grid points used to find zeros of $\hat{f}_{n_1}^* - \hat{f}_{n_2}^*$ for the smooth estimate.

**Details**

Given two i.i.d. samples  $x_1, \dots, x_{n_1}$  and  $y_1, \dots, y_{n_2}$  this function computes the maxima of

$$D_1(t) = \hat{F}_{n_1}(t) - \hat{F}_{n_2}(t)$$

and

$$D_2(t) = \hat{F}_{n_1}^*(t) - \hat{F}_{n_2}^*(t).$$

**Value**

test.stat	A two-dimensional vector containing the above maxima.
location	A two-dimensional vector where the maxima occur.

**Warning**

Note that the algorithm that finds the maximal difference for the smoothed estimate is of approximate nature only. It may fail for very large sample sizes.

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**Examples**

```

n1 <- 100
n2 <- 120
x <- sort(rgamma(n1, 2, 1))
y <- sort(rgamma(n2, 2, 1))
res1 <- logConDens(x, smoothed = TRUE)
res2 <- logConDens(y, smoothed = TRUE)
d <- maxDiffCDF(res1, res2, n.grid = 200)

## log-concave estimate
xs <- seq(min(res1$xs, res2$xs), max(res1$xs, res2$xs), length = 200)
F1 <- matrix(NA, nrow = length(xs), ncol = 1); F2 <- F1
for (i in 1:length(xs)){
  F1[i] <- evaluateLogConDens(xs[i], res1, which = 3)[, "CDF"]
  F2[i] <- evaluateLogConDens(xs[i], res2, which = 3)[, "CDF"]
}
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
plot(xs, abs(F1 - F2), type = "l")
abline(v = d$location[1], lty = 2, col = 3)
abline(h = d$test.stat[1], lty = 2, col = 3)

## smooth estimate
xs <- seq(min(res1$xs, res2$xs), max(res1$xs, res2$xs), length = 200)
F1smooth <- matrix(NA, nrow = length(xs), ncol = 2); F2smooth <- F1smooth
for (i in 1:length(xs)){
  F1smooth[i, ] <- evaluateLogConDens(xs[i], res1, which = 4:5)[,
    c("smooth.density", "smooth.CDF")]
  F2smooth[i, ] <- evaluateLogConDens(xs[i], res2, which = 4:5)[,
    c("smooth.density", "smooth.CDF")]
}
plot(xs, abs(F1smooth[, 2] - F2smooth[, 2]), type = "l")
abline(h = 0)
abline(v = d$location[2], lty = 2, col = c(3, 4))
abline(h = d$test.stat[2], lty = 2, col = c(3, 4))

```

**Description**

Given a vector of observations  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_m)$  with pairwise distinct entries and a vector of weights  $\mathbf{w} = (w_1, \dots, w_m)$  s.t.  $\sum_{i=1}^m w_i = 1$ , this function computes a function  $\hat{\phi}_{MLE}$  (represented by the vector  $(\hat{\phi}_{MLE}(x_i))_{i=1}^m$ ) supported by  $[x_1, x_m]$  such that

$$L(\phi) = \sum_{i=1}^m w_i \phi(x_i) - \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} (x_{j+1} - x_j) J(\phi_j, \phi_{j+1})$$

is maximal over all continuous, piecewise linear functions with knots in  $\{x_1, \dots, x_m\}$

**Usage**

```
MLE(x, w = NA, phi_o = NA, prec = 1e-7, print = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

**x** Vector of independent and identically distributed numbers, with strictly increasing entries.

**w** Optional vector of nonnegative weights corresponding to  $x_m$ .

**phi\_o** Optional starting vector.

**prec** Threshold for the directional derivative during the Newton-Raphson procedure.

**print** print = TRUE outputs log-likelihood in every loop, print = FALSE does not. Make sure to tell R to output (press CTRL+W).

**Value**

**phi** Resulting column vector  $(\hat{\phi}_{MLE}(x_i))_{i=1}^m$ .

**L** Value  $L(\hat{\phi}_{MLE})$  of the log-likelihood at  $\hat{\phi}_{MLE}$ .

**Fhat** Vector of the same length as  $x$  with entries  $\hat{F}_{MLE,1} = 0$  and

$$\hat{F}_{MLE,k} = \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} (x_{j+1} - x_j) J(\phi_j, \phi_{j+1})$$

for  $k \geq 2$ .

**Note**

This function is not intended to be invoked by the end user.

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pancreas

*Data from pancreatic cancer serum biomarker study*

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**Description**

First published by Wieand et al (1989), this dataset contains data on serum measurements for a cancer antigen (CA-125) and a carbohydrate antigen (CA19.9) both of which are measured on a continuous non-negative scale. The measurements were taken within a case-control study on 90 cases with pancreatic cancer and 51 controls who did not have cancer but pancreatitis. The primary question of the study was which one of the two biomarkers best distinguishes cases from controls.

**Usage**

```
data(pancreas)
```

**Format**

A data frame with 141 observations on the following 3 variables.

ca199 CA19.9 measurements.

ca125 CA125 measurements.

status Patient status, 0 for controls and 1 for cases.

**Source**

The data was downloaded from <http://labs.fhrc.org/pepe/book/> on February 2, 2011.

**References**

Wieand, S., Gail, M. H., James, B. R., and James, K.L. (1989). A family of nonparametric statistics for comparing diagnostic markers with paired or unpaired data. *Biometrika*, **76**, 585–592.

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**See Also**

This data is analyzed in the help file for the function [logConROC](#).

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 plot.dlc

*Standard plots for a dlc object*


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**Description**

plot method for class "dlc". Three plots (selectable by which) are currently available: a plot of the estimated density, the estimated log-density, or the distribution function corresponding to the estimated log-concave density. By default, a plot of the density estimate is provided. If smoothed = TRUE, the smoothed version of the log-concave density estimate (saved in x) is added to the density and log-density plot. For the CDF, the smoothed version is not contained by default in a dlc object and needs to be computed when asked to be plotted.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'dlc'
plot(x, which = c("density", "log-density", "CDF"),
     add.title = TRUE, legend.pos = "topright", ...)
```

## Arguments

x	An object of class "dlc", usually a result of a call to logConDens.
which	One of "density", "log-density", or "CDF".
add.title	Logical, if TRUE adds a standard title to the plot.
legend.pos	Placement of the legend. One of "bottomright", "bottom", "bottomleft", "left", "topleft", "top", "topright", "right", "center"; or "none" for not displaying a legend. See <a href="#">legend</a> for details.
...	Further arguments.

## Details

See [activeSetLogCon](#) and [evaluateLogConDens](#) for details on the computations.

## Value

Chosen plot is generated.

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## Examples

```
## See help file of function "logConDens".
```

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preProcess	<i>Compute a weighted sample from initial observations</i>
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**Description**

Generates weights from initial sample.

**Usage**

```
preProcess(x, xgrid = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

x	Vector of independent and identically distributed numbers, not necessarily unique.
xgrid	Parameter that governs the generation of weights: If xgrid = NULL a new sample of unique observations is generated with corresponding vector of weights. If xgrid is a positive number, observations are binned in a grid with grid length xgrid. Finally, an entire vector specifying a user-defined grid can be supplied.

**Value**

x	Vector of unique and sorted observations deduced from the input x according to the specification given by xgrid.
w	Vector of corresponding weights, normalized to sum to one.
sig	Standard deviation of the inputted observations. This quantity is needed when computing the smoothed log-concave density estimator via <a href="#">evaluateLogConDens</a> .
n	Number of initial observations.

**Note**

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Q00

*Numerical Routine Q***Description**

This function is used in the computation of  $\hat{f}^*$  and  $\hat{F}^*$ .

**Usage**

Q00(x, a, u, v, gamma, QFhat = FALSE)

**Arguments**

x	Number at which to compute $q$ and/or $Q$ .
a	Vector of length $m$ with real entries.
u	Vector of length $m$ with real entries.
v	Vector of length $m$ with real entries.
gamma	Real number. Standard deviation to be used.
QFhat	Logical. Should $Q$ be computed?

**Value**

The vector(s)  $q$  and/or  $Q$ .

**Note**

Taylor approximation is used if  $a$  is small. In addition, as described in Duembgen and Rufibach (2011) at the end of Appendix C, in extreme situations, e.g. when data sets contain extreme spacings, numerical problems may occur in the computation of the function  $q_\gamma$  (eq. (7) in Duembgen and Rufibach, 2011). For it may happen that the exponent is rather large while the difference of Gaussian CDFs is very small. To moderate these problems, we are using the following bounds:

$$\exp(-m^2/2)(\Phi(\delta) - \Phi(-\delta)) \leq \Phi(b) - \Phi(a) \leq \exp(-m^2/2) \cosh(m\delta)(\Phi(\delta) - \Phi(-\delta))$$

for arbitrary numbers  $a < b$  and  $m := (a + b)/2$ ,  $\delta := (b - a)/2$ .

However, the function Q00 is not intended to be invoked by the end user.

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qloglin

*Quantile Function In a Simple Log-Linear model*


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## Description

Suppose the random variable  $X$  has density function

$$g_{\theta}(x) = \frac{\theta \exp(\theta x)}{\exp(\theta) - 1}$$

for an arbitrary real number  $\theta$  and  $x \in [0, 1]$ . The function `qloglin` is simply the quantile function

$$G_{\theta}^{-1}(u) = \theta^{-1} \log \left( 1 + (e^{\theta} - 1)u \right)$$

in this model, for  $u \in [0, 1]$ . This quantile function is used for the computation of quantiles of  $\hat{F}_m$  in `quantilesLogConDens`.

## Usage

```
qloglin(u, t)
```

## Arguments

`u` Vector in  $[0, 1]^d$  where quantiles are to be computed at.  
`t` Parameter  $\theta$ .

## Value

`z` Vector containing the quantiles  $G_n^{-1}(u_i)$  for  $i = 1, \dots, d$ .

## Note

Taylor approximation is used if  $\theta$  is small.  
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quadDeriv

*Gradient and Diagonal of Hesse Matrix of Quadratic Approximation to Log-Likelihood Function L*

### Description

Computes gradient and diagonal of the Hesse matrix w.r.t. to  $\eta$  of a quadratic approximation to the reparametrized original log-likelihood function

$$L(\phi) = \sum_{i=1}^m w_i \phi(x_i) - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(\phi(t)) dt.$$

where  $L$  is parametrized via

$$\eta(\phi) = \left( \phi_1, \left( \eta_1 + \sum_{j=2}^i (x_i - x_{i-1}) \eta_j \right)_{i=2}^m \right).$$

$\phi$ : vector  $(\phi(x_i))_{i=1}^m$  representing concave, piecewise linear function  $\phi$ ,  
 $\eta$ : vector representing successive slopes of  $\phi$ .

### Usage

```
quadDeriv(dx, w, eta)
```

### Arguments

dx	Vector $(0, x_i - x_{i-1})_{i=2}^m$ .
w	Vector of weights as in <a href="#">activeSetLogCon</a> .
eta	Vector $\eta$ .

### Value

$m \times 2$  matrix. First column contains gradient and second column diagonal of Hesse matrix.

### Note

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### See Also

[quadDeriv](#) is used by the function [icmaLogCon](#).

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quantilesLogConDens    *Function to compute Quantiles of Fhat*

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## Description

Function to compute  $p_0$ -quantile of

$$\widehat{F}_m(t) = \int_{x_1}^t \widehat{f}_m(t) dt,$$

where  $\widehat{f}_m$  is the log-concave density estimator, typically computed via [logConDens](#) and  $p_0$  runs through the vector `ps`. The formula to compute a quantile at  $u \in [\widehat{F}_m(x_j), \widehat{F}_m(x_{j+1})]$  for  $j = 1, \dots, n - 1$  is:

$$\widehat{F}_m^{-1}(u) = x_j + (x_{j+1} - x_j) G_{(x_{j+1} - x_j)(\widehat{\phi}_{j+1} - \widehat{\phi}_j)}^{-1} \left( \frac{u - \widehat{F}_m(x_j)}{\widehat{F}_m(x_{j+1}) - \widehat{F}_m(x_j)} \right),$$

where  $G_\theta^{-1}$  is described in [qloglin](#).

## Usage

```
quantilesLogConDens(ps, res)
```

## Arguments

`ps`                      Vector of real numbers where quantiles should be computed.  
`res`                      An object of class "dlc", usually a result of a call to `logConDens`.

## Value

Returns a data.frame with row  $(p_{0,i}, q_{0,i})$  where  $q_{0,i} = \inf_x \{\widehat{F}_m(x) \geq p_{0,i}\}$  and  $p_{0,i}$  runs through `ps`.

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### Examples

```
## estimate gamma density
set.seed(1977)
x <- rgamma(200, 2, 1)
res <- logConDens(x, smoothed = FALSE, print = FALSE)

## compute 0.95 quantile of Fhat
q <- quantilesLogConDens(0.95, res)[, "quantile"]
plot(res, which = "CDF", legend.pos = "none")
abline(h = 0.95, lty = 3); abline(v = q, lty = 3)
```

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reliability

*Reliability dataset used to illustrate log-concave density estimation*

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### Description

Dataset that contains the data analyzed in Duembgen and Rufibach (2009, Figure 2).

### Usage

```
data(reliability)
```

### Format

A vector containing the 786 observations analyzed in Duembgen and Rufibach (2009, Figure 2).

### Source

The data was taken from Duembgen and Rufibach (2009).

### References

Duembgen, L. and Rufibach, K. (2009) Maximum likelihood estimation of a log-concave density and its distribution function: basic properties and uniform consistency. *Bernoulli*, **15**(1), 40–68.

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### See Also

See the example in `logConDens` for the analysis of this data.

**Description**

Given a vector  $(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_m)$  representing the values of a piecewise linear concave function at  $x_1, \dots, x_m$ , `etaphi` returns a column vector with the entries

$$\boldsymbol{\eta} = \left( \phi_1, \left( \eta_1 + \sum_{j=2}^m (x_j - x_{j-1}) \eta_j \right)_{i=2}^m \right).$$

The function `phieta` returns a vector with the entries

$$\boldsymbol{\phi} = \left( \eta_1, \left( \frac{\phi_i - \phi_{i-1}}{x_i - x_{i-1}} \right)_{i=2}^m \right).$$

**Usage**

```
etaphi(x, eta)
phieta(x, phi)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	Vector of independent and identically distributed numbers, with strictly increasing entries.
<code>eta</code>	Vector with entries $\eta_i = \eta(x_i)$ .
<code>phi</code>	Vector with entries $\phi_i = \phi(x_i)$ .

**Note**

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rlogcon	<i>Generate random sample from the log-concave and the smoothed log-concave density estimator</i>
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### Description

Generate a random sample from a distribution with density  $\hat{f}_n$  and  $\hat{f}_n^*$ , as described in Duembgen and Rufibach (2009, Section 3).

### Usage

```
rlogcon(n, x0)
```

### Arguments

n	Size of random sample to be generated.
x0	Sorted vector of independent and identically distributed numbers, not necessarily unique.

### Value

X	Random sample from $\hat{f}_n$ .
X_star	Random sample from $\hat{f}_n^*$ .
U	Uniform random sample of size n used in the generation of X.
Z	Normal random sample of size n used in the generation of X_star.
f	Computed log-concave density estimator.
f.smoothed	List containing smoothed log-concave density estimator, as output by <a href="#">evaluateLogConDens</a> .
x	Vector of distinct observations generated from x0.
w	Weights corresponding to x.

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**Examples**

```
## =====
## Generate random samples as described in Section 3 of
## Duembgen and Rufibach (2009)
## =====
x0 <- rnorm(111)
n <- 22
random <- rlogcon(n, x0)

## sample of size n from the log-concave density estimator
random$X

## sample of size n from the smoothed log-concave density estimator
random$X_star
```

robust

*Robustification and Hermite Interpolation for ICMA***Description**

Performs robustification and Hermite interpolation in the iterative convex minorant algorithm as described in Rufibach (2006, 2007).

**Usage**

```
robust(x, w, eta, etanew, grad)
```

**Arguments**

x	Vector of independent and identically distributed numbers, with strictly increasing entries.
w	Optional vector of nonnegative weights corresponding to $x_m$ .
eta	Current candidate vector.
etanew	New candidate vector.
grad	Gradient of L at current candidate vector $\eta$ .

**Value**

Returns a (possibly) new vector  $\eta$  on the segment

$$(1 - t_0)\eta + t_0\eta_{new}$$

such that the log-likelihood of this new  $\eta$  is strictly greater than that of the initial  $\eta$  and  $t_0$  is chosen according to the Hermite interpolation procedure described in Rufibach (2006, 2007).

**Note**

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ROCx

*Compute ROC curve at a given x based on log-concave estimates for the constituent distributions*

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**Description**

Computes the value of the ROC curve at  $x$  (which may be a vector) based on log-concave density estimates of the constituent distributions.

**Usage**

```
ROCx(x, res0, res1, smooth = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

x	Vector of numbers in $[0, 1]$ where the ROC curve should be computed at.
res0	d1c object as a result of a call to <code>logConDens</code> for the data of the controls.
res1	d1c object as a result of a call to <code>logConDens</code> for the data of the cases.
smooth	Logical. If TRUE kernel smoothed log-concave estimate is used.

**Value**

A real number or a vector of dimension the same as  $x$ , the value of the ROC curve at  $x$ .

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## References

Rufibach, K. (2012). A smooth ROC curve estimator based on log-concave density estimates. Int. J. Biostat., to appear.

## See Also

Used for the computation of AUC in [logConROC](#).

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summary.dlc

*Summarizing log-concave density estimation*

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## Description

summary method for class "dlc".

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'dlc'  
summary(object, ...)
```

## Arguments

object            An object of class "dlc", usually a result of a call to logConDens.  
...                Further arguments.

## Details

See [activeSetLogCon](#) and [evaluateLogConDens](#) for details on the computations.

## Value

The function `summary.dlc` returns a list of summary statistics of the estimated log-concave density as well as of its smoothed version (depending on the value of `smoothed` when calling [logConDens](#)).

## Warning

Note that the numbering of knots in the output relies on the vector of *unique* observations.

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## See help file of function "logConDens".
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