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CdFromDensities	<i>The dominance rate of X_A over X_B given the density functions.</i>
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Description

Returns a real number in the interval [0,1] that represents the dominance rate of X_A over X_B. Basically, we are measuring the amount of mass of X_A in which the cumulative distribution of X_A is higher minus the amount of mass of X_B in which the cumulative distribution of X_B is higher.

Usage

```
CdFromDensities(densityX_A, densityX_B, xlims, EPSILON = 0.001)
```

Arguments

- densityX_A The probability density function of the random variable X_A.
- densityX_B The probability density function of the random variable X_B.
- xlims an interval that represents the domain of definition the density functions.
- EPSILON (optional, default = 1e-3) minimum difference between two values.

Value

Returns the dominance rate of X_A over X_B.

See Also

[CpFromDensities](#)

Examples

```
# If two symmetric distributions are centered in the same point (x = 0 in
# this case), then their Cd will be 0.5.

densityX_A <- normalDensity(0,1)
densityX_B <- uniformDensity(c(-2,2))
CdFromDensities(densityX_A, densityX_B, c(-5,5))

### Example 2 ###
# If two distributions are equal, Cd will be 0.5. Cd(X_A,X_A) = 0.5
CdFromDensities(densityX_A, densityX_A, c(-10,10))

### Example 3 ###
# example on https://etoranza.github.io/pages/2021-interactive-comparing-RV.html
tau <- 0.11
densityX_A <- normalDensity(0.05,0.0015)
densityX_B <- mixtureDensity(c(normalDensity(0.05025,0.0015),
                                normalDensity(0.04525, 0.0015)),
                                weights = c(1 - tau, tau))
plot(densityX_A, from=0.03, to=0.07, type="l", col="red", xlab="x", ylab="probability density")
curve(densityX_B, add=TRUE, col="blue", type="l", lty=2)
Cd <- CdFromDensities(densityX_A, densityX_B, c(.03,.07))
mtext(paste("Cd(X_A, X_B) =", format(round(Cd, 3), nsmall = 3)), side=3) # add Cd to plot as text
legend(x = c(0.0325, 0.045), y = c(200, 250), legend=c("X_A", "X_B"),
       col=c("red", "blue"),
       lty=1:2,
       cex=0.8) # add legend

### Example 4 ###
# The dominance factor ignores the mass of the probability where the
# distribution functions are equal.
densityX_A <- uniformDensity(c(0.1, 0.3))
densityX_B <- uniformDensity(c(-0.2,0.5))
CdFromDensities(densityX_A, densityX_B, xlims = c(-2,2))

densityX_A <- mixtureDensity(c(uniformDensity(c(0.1,0.3)), uniformDensity(c(-1,-0.5))))
densityX_B <- mixtureDensity(c(uniformDensity(c(-0.2,0.5)), uniformDensity(c(-1,-0.5))))
CdFromDensities(densityX_A, densityX_B, xlims = c(-2,2))
```

CdFromProbMassFunctions

The dominance rate of X_A over X_B for discrete distributions, given the probability mass functions.

Description

Returns a real number in the interval $[0,1]$ that represents the dominance rate of X_A over X_B .

Usage

```
CdFromProbMassFunctions(pMassA, pMassB)
```

Arguments

pMassA The probability mass function where pMassA[[i]] is the probability of x_i , $p_A(x_i)$.
 pMassB The probability mass function where pMassB[[i]] is the probability of x_i , $p_B(x_i)$.

Value

Returns the dominance rate of X_A over X_B for discrete random variables.

Examples

```
CdFromProbMassFunctions(c(0.2,0.6,0.2), c(0.3,0.3,0.4))
# > 0.6
# Notice how adding additional mass with the same cumulative distribution in both
# random variables does not change the result.
CdFromProbMassFunctions(c(0.2,0.6,0.2,0.2,0.2)/1.4, c(0.3,0.3,0.4,0.2,0.2)/1.4)
# > 0.6
```

CpFromDensities	<i>The probability that $X_A < X_B$ given the density functions.</i>
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Description

Returns a real number in the interval $[0,1]$ that represents the probability that a sample observed from X_A is lower than a sample observed from X_B .

Usage

```
CpFromDensities(densityX_A, densityX_B, xlims)
```

Arguments

densityX_A The probability density function of the random variable X_A .
 densityX_B The probability density function of the random variable X_B .
 xlims an interval that represents the domain of definition the density functions.

Value

Returns the probability that $X_A < X_B$.

See Also

[CdFromDensities](#)

Examples

```
### Example 1 ###
# If two symmetric distributions are centered in the same point (x = 0 in
# this case), then their Cp will be 0.5.
densityX_A <- normalDensity(0,1)
densityX_B <- uniformDensity(c(-2,2))
Cp = CpFromDensities(densityX_A, densityX_B, c(-5,5))
plot(densityX_A, from=-5, to=5, type="l", col="red", xlab="x", ylab="probability density")
curve(densityX_B, add=TRUE, col="blue", type="l", lty=2)
mtext(paste("Cp(X_A, X_B) =", format(round(Cp, 3), nsmall = 3)), side=3) # add Cp to plot as text
legend(x = c(-4.5, -2), y = c(0.325, 0.4), legend=c("X_A", "X_B"),
      col=c("red", "blue"),
      lty=1:2, cex=0.8) # add legend
```

```
### Example 2 ###
# If two distributions are equal, Cp will be 0.5. Cp(X_A,X_A) = 0.5
CpFromDensities(densityX_A, densityX_A, c(-10,10))
```

```
### Example 3 ###
densityX_A <- normalDensity(-2,1)
densityX_B <- uniformDensity(c(-2,2))
# Cp(X_A,X_B) = 1 - Cp(X_B, X_A)
CpFromDensities(densityX_A, densityX_B, c(-8,4))
1 - CpFromDensities(densityX_B, densityX_A, c(-8,4))
```

cpp_helper_from_ranks_to_integrable_values

Helper function for from_ranks_to_integrable_values

Description

Helper function for from_ranks_to_integrable_values

Usage

```
cpp_helper_from_ranks_to_integrable_values(rank_interval_mult, j_max)
```

Arguments

rank_interval_mult	the value of the normalized density of Y_A.
j_max	maximum number of sample points.

cumulative_difference_plot

Generate the cumulative difference-plot

Description

Generate the cumulative difference-plot given the observed samples using the bootstrap method.

Usage

```
cumulative_difference_plot(
  X_A_observed,
  X_B_observed,
  isMinimizationProblem,
  labelA = "X_A",
  labelB = "X_B",
  alpha = 0.05,
  EPSILON = 1e-20,
  nOfBootstrapSamples = 1000,
  ignoreMinimumLengthCheck = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

X_A_observed	array of the observed samples (real values) of X_A.
X_B_observed	array of the observed samples (real values) of X_B, it needs to have the same length as X_A.
isMinimizationProblem	a boolean value where TRUE represents that lower values are preferred to larger values.
labelA	(optional, default value "X_A") the label corresponding to X_A.
labelB	(optional, default value "X_B") the label corresponding to X_B.
alpha	(optional, default value 0.05) the error of the confidence interval. If alpha = 0.05 then we have 95 percent confidence interval.
EPSILON	(optional, default value 1e-20) minimum difference between two values to be considered different.
nOfBootstrapSamples	(optional, default value 1e3) how many bootstrap samples to average. Increases computation time.
ignoreMinimumLengthCheck	(optional, default value FALSE) whether to skip the check for a minimum length of 100 in X_A_observed and X_A_observed.

Value

returns and shows the cumulative difference-plot

Examples

```
### Example 1 ###
X_A_observed <- rnorm(100, mean = 2, sd = 1)
X_B_observed <- rnorm(100, mean = 2.1, sd = 0.5)

cumulative_difference_plot(X_A_observed, X_B_observed, TRUE, labelA="X_A", labelB="X_B")

### Example 2 ###
# Comparing the optimization algorithms PL-EDA and PL-GS
# with 400 samples each.
PL_EDA_fitness <- c(
52235, 52485, 52542, 52556, 52558, 52520, 52508, 52491, 52474, 52524,
52414, 52428, 52413, 52457, 52437, 52449, 52534, 52531, 52476, 52434,
52492, 52554, 52520, 52500, 52342, 52520, 52392, 52478, 52422, 52469,
52421, 52386, 52373, 52230, 52504, 52445, 52378, 52554, 52475, 52528,
52508, 52222, 52416, 52492, 52538, 52192, 52416, 52213, 52478, 52496,
52444, 52524, 52501, 52495, 52415, 52151, 52440, 52390, 52428, 52438,
52475, 52177, 52512, 52530, 52493, 52424, 52201, 52484, 52389, 52334,
52548, 52560, 52536, 52467, 52392, 51327, 52506, 52473, 52087, 52502,
52533, 52523, 52485, 52535, 52502, 52577, 52508, 52463, 52530, 52507,
52472, 52400, 52511, 52528, 52532, 52526, 52421, 52442, 52532, 52505,
52531, 52644, 52513, 52507, 52444, 52471, 52474, 52426, 52526, 52564,
52512, 52521, 52533, 52511, 52416, 52414, 52425, 52457, 52522, 52508,
52481, 52439, 52402, 52442, 52512, 52377, 52412, 52432, 52506, 52524,
52488, 52494, 52531, 52471, 52616, 52482, 52499, 52386, 52492, 52484,
52537, 52517, 52536, 52449, 52439, 52410, 52417, 52402, 52406, 52217,
52484, 52418, 52550, 52513, 52530, 51667, 52185, 52089, 51853, 52511,
52051, 52584, 52475, 52447, 52390, 52506, 52514, 52452, 52526, 52502,
52422, 52411, 52171, 52437, 52323, 52488, 52546, 52505, 52563, 52457,
52502, 52503, 52126, 52537, 52435, 52419, 52300, 52481, 52419, 52540,
52566, 52547, 52476, 52448, 52474, 52438, 52430, 52363, 52484, 52455,
52420, 52385, 52152, 52505, 52457, 52473, 52503, 52507, 52429, 52513,
52433, 52538, 52416, 52479, 52501, 52485, 52429, 52395, 52503, 52195,
52380, 52487, 52498, 52421, 52137, 52493, 52403, 52511, 52409, 52479,
52400, 52498, 52482, 52440, 52541, 52499, 52476, 52485, 52294, 52408,
52426, 52464, 52535, 52512, 52516, 52531, 52449, 52507, 52485, 52491,
52499, 52414, 52403, 52398, 52548, 52536, 52410, 52549, 52454, 52534,
52468, 52483, 52239, 52502, 52525, 52328, 52467, 52217, 52543, 52391,
52524, 52474, 52509, 52496, 52432, 52532, 52493, 52503, 52508, 52422,
52459, 52477, 52521, 52515, 52469, 52416, 52249, 52537, 52494, 52393,
52057, 52513, 52452, 52458, 52518, 52520, 52524, 52531, 52439, 52530,
52422, 52649, 52481, 52256, 52428, 52425, 52458, 52488, 52502, 52373,
52426, 52441, 52471, 52468, 52465, 52265, 52455, 52501, 52340, 52457,
52275, 52527, 52574, 52474, 52487, 52416, 52634, 52514, 52184, 52430,
52462, 52392, 52529, 52178, 52495, 52438, 52539, 52430, 52459, 52312,
52437, 52637, 52511, 52563, 52270, 52341, 52436, 52515, 52480, 52569,
52490, 52453, 52422, 52443, 52419, 52512, 52447, 52425, 52509, 52180,
52521, 52566, 52060, 52425, 52480, 52454, 52501, 52536, 52143, 52432,
52451, 52548, 52508, 52561, 52515, 52502, 52468, 52373, 52511, 52516,
52195, 52499, 52534, 52453, 52449, 52431, 52473, 52553, 52444, 52459,
```

```

52536, 52413, 52537, 52537, 52501, 52425, 52507, 52525, 52452, 52499
)
PL_GS_fitness <- c(
52476, 52211, 52493, 52484, 52499, 52500, 52476, 52483, 52431, 52483,
52515, 52493, 52490, 52464, 52478, 52440, 52482, 52498, 52460, 52219,
52444, 52479, 52498, 52481, 52490, 52470, 52498, 52521, 52452, 52494,
52451, 52429, 52248, 52525, 52513, 52489, 52448, 52157, 52449, 52447,
52476, 52535, 52464, 52453, 52493, 52438, 52489, 52462, 52219, 52223,
52514, 52476, 52495, 52496, 52502, 52538, 52491, 52457, 52471, 52531,
52488, 52441, 52467, 52483, 52476, 52494, 52485, 52507, 52224, 52464,
52503, 52495, 52518, 52490, 52508, 52505, 52214, 52506, 52507, 52207,
52531, 52492, 52515, 52497, 52476, 52490, 52436, 52495, 52437, 52494,
52513, 52483, 52522, 52496, 52196, 52525, 52490, 52506, 52498, 52250,
52524, 52469, 52497, 52519, 52437, 52481, 52237, 52436, 52508, 52518,
52490, 52501, 52508, 52476, 52520, 52435, 52463, 52481, 52486, 52489,
52482, 52496, 52499, 52443, 52497, 52464, 52514, 52476, 52498, 52496,
52498, 52530, 52203, 52482, 52441, 52493, 52532, 52518, 52474, 52498,
52512, 52226, 52538, 52477, 52508, 52243, 52533, 52463, 52440, 52246,
52209, 52488, 52530, 52195, 52487, 52494, 52508, 52505, 52444, 52515,
52499, 52428, 52498, 52244, 52520, 52463, 52187, 52484, 52517, 52504,
52511, 52530, 52519, 52514, 52532, 52203, 52485, 52439, 52496, 52443,
52503, 52520, 52516, 52478, 52473, 52505, 52480, 52196, 52492, 52527,
52490, 52493, 52252, 52470, 52493, 52533, 52506, 52496, 52519, 52492,
52509, 52530, 52213, 52499, 52492, 52528, 52499, 52526, 52521, 52488,
52485, 52502, 52515, 52470, 52207, 52494, 52527, 52442, 52200, 52485,
52489, 52499, 52488, 52486, 52232, 52477, 52485, 52490, 52524, 52470,
52504, 52501, 52497, 52489, 52152, 52527, 52487, 52501, 52504, 52494,
52484, 52213, 52449, 52490, 52525, 52476, 52540, 52463, 52200, 52471,
52479, 52504, 52526, 52533, 52473, 52475, 52518, 52507, 52500, 52499,
52512, 52478, 52523, 52453, 52488, 52523, 52240, 52505, 52532, 52504,
52444, 52194, 52514, 52474, 52473, 52526, 52437, 52536, 52491, 52523,
52529, 52535, 52453, 52522, 52519, 52446, 52500, 52490, 52459, 52467,
52456, 52490, 52521, 52484, 52508, 52451, 52231, 52488, 52485, 52215,
52493, 52475, 52474, 52508, 52524, 52477, 52514, 52452, 52491, 52473,
52441, 52520, 52471, 52466, 52475, 52439, 52483, 52491, 52204, 52500,
52488, 52489, 52519, 52495, 52448, 52453, 52466, 52462, 52489, 52471,
52484, 52483, 52501, 52486, 52494, 52473, 52481, 52502, 52516, 52223,
52490, 52447, 52222, 52469, 52509, 52194, 52490, 52484, 52446, 52487,
52476, 52509, 52496, 52459, 52474, 52501, 52516, 52223, 52487, 52468,
52534, 52522, 52474, 52227, 52450, 52506, 52193, 52429, 52496, 52493,
52493, 52488, 52190, 52509, 52434, 52469, 52510, 52481, 52520, 52504,
52230, 52500, 52487, 52517, 52473, 52488, 52450, 52203, 52215, 52490,
52479, 52515, 52210, 52485, 52516, 52504, 52521, 52499, 52503, 52526)
# Considering that the LOP is a maximization problem, we need isMinimizationProblem=FALSE.

cumulative_difference_plot(PL_EDA_fitness,
                           PL_GS_fitness,
                           isMinimizationProblem=FALSE,
                           labelA="PL-EDA",
                           labelB="PL-GS")

```

getEmpiricalCumulativeDistributions

Get the empirical distribution from samples.

Description

Given the observed samples of X_A (or X_B) returns the empirical cumulative distribution function of Y_A (or Y_B)

Usage

```
getEmpiricalCumulativeDistributions(
  X_A_observed,
  X_B_observed,
  nOfEstimationPoints,
  EPSILON,
  trapezoid = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

X_A_observed	array of the observed samples (real values) of X_A.
X_B_observed	array of the observed samples (real values) of X_B.
nOfEstimationPoints	the number of points in the interval [0,1] in which the cumulative density is estimated + 2.
EPSILON	(optional, default value 1e-20) minimum difference between two values to be considered different.
trapezoid	(optional, default TRUE) if trapezoid=FALSE the non smooth empirical distribution is given. This is what the WDK uses the empirical as the estimation.

Value

a list with two fields: the empirical distributions of X'A and X'B.

Examples

```
### Example 1 ###
c <- getEmpiricalCumulativeDistributions(c(1:5),c(1:3,2:3), 170, EPSILON=1e-20, trapezoid=FALSE)
plot(c$p, c$Y_A_cumulative_estimation, type="l")
lines(x=c$p, y=c$Y_B_cumulative_estimation, col="red")
```

get_Y_AB_bounds_bootstrap

Estimate Y_A and Y_B bounds with bootstrap

Description

Estimate the confidence intervals for the cumulative distributions of Y_A and Y_B using bootstrap. Much slower than the Dvoretzky–Kiefer–Wolfowitz approach.

Usage

```
get_Y_AB_bounds_bootstrap(
  X_A_observed,
  X_B_observed,
  alpha = 0.05,
  EPSILON = 1e-20,
  nOfBootstrapSamples = 1000,
  ignoreMinimumLengthCheck = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

X_A_observed	array of the observed samples (real values) of X_A.
X_B_observed	array of the observed samples (real values) of X_B, it needs to have the same length as X_A.
alpha	(optional, default value 0.05) the error of the confidence interval. If alpha = 0.05 then we have 95 percent confidence interval.
EPSILON	(optional, default value 1e-20) minimum difference between two values to be considered different.
nOfBootstrapSamples	(optional, default value 1e3) how many bootstrap samples to average. Increases computation time.
ignoreMinimumLengthCheck	(optional, default value FALSE) wether to check for a minimum length in X_A and X_B.

Value

Returns a list with the following fields:

- p: values in the interval [0,1] that represent the nOfEstimationPoints points in which the densities are estimated. Useful for plotting.
- Y_A_cumulative_estimation: an array with the estimated cumulative diustribution function of Y_A from 0 to p[[i]].
- Y_A_cumulative_upper: an array with the upper bounds of confidence 1 - alpha of the cumulative density of Y_A

- Y_A_cumulative_lower: an array with the lower bounds of confidence $1 - \alpha$ of the cumulative density of Y_A
- Y_B_cumulative_estimation: The same as Y_A_cumulative_estimation for Y_B.
- Y_B_cumulative_upper: The same as Y_A_cumulative_upper for Y_B
- Y_B_cumulative_lower: The same as Y_A_cumulative_lower for Y_B
- diff_estimation: Y_A_cumulative_estimation - Y_B_cumulative_estimation
- diff_upper: an array with the upper bounds of confidence $1 - \alpha$ of the difference between the cumulative distributions
- diff_lower: an array with the lower bounds of confidence $1 - \alpha$ of the difference between the cumulative distributions

Examples

```
library(ggplot2)

### Example 1 ###
X_A_observed <- rnorm(100, mean = 2, sd = 1)
X_B_observed <- rnorm(100, mean = 2.1, sd = 0.5)

res <- get_Y_AB_bounds_bootstrap(X_A_observed, X_B_observed)

fig1 = plot_Y_AB(res, plotDifference=FALSE)+ ggplot2::ggtitle("Example 1")
print(fig1)

### Example 2 ###
# Comparing the estimations with the actual distributions for two normal distributions.
#####
## sample size = 100 #####
#####
X_A_observed <- rnorm(100, mean = 1, sd = 1)
X_B_observed <- rnorm(100, mean = 1.3, sd = 0.5)
res <- get_Y_AB_bounds_bootstrap(X_A_observed, X_B_observed)

X_A_observed_large_sample <- sort(rnorm(1e4, mean = 1, sd = 1))
X_B_observed_large_sample <- sort(rnorm(1e4, mean = 1.3, sd = 0.5))
actualDistributions <- getEmpiricalCumulativeDistributions(
  X_A_observed_large_sample,
  X_B_observed_large_sample,
  nOfEstimationPoints=1e4,
  EPSILON=1e-20)

actualDistributions$Y_A_cumulative_estimation <- lm(Y_A_cumulative_estimation ~
  p + I(p^2) + I(p^3)+ I(p^4)+ I(p^5)+ I(p^6)+I(p^7)+ I(p^8),
  data = actualDistributions)$fitted.values
actualDistributions$Y_B_cumulative_estimation <- lm(Y_B_cumulative_estimation ~
  p + I(p^2) + I(p^3)+ I(p^4)+ I(p^5)+ I(p^6)+I(p^7)+ I(p^8),
```

```

data = actualDistributions)$fitted.values

fig = plot_Y_AB(res, plotDifference=FALSE) +

geom_line(data=as.data.frame(actualDistributions),
aes(x=p, y=Y_A_cumulative_estimation, colour = "Actual Y_A", linetype="Actual Y_A")) +

geom_line(data=as.data.frame(actualDistributions),
aes(x=p, y=Y_B_cumulative_estimation, colour = "Actual Y_B", linetype="Actual Y_B")) +

scale_colour_manual("", breaks = c("X_A", "X_B", "Actual Y_A", "Actual Y_B"),
values = c("X_A"="#00BFC4", "X_B"="#F8766D", "Actual Y_A"="#0000FF", "Actual Y_B"="#FF0000"))+

scale_linetype_manual("", breaks = c("X_A", "X_B", "Actual Y_A", "Actual Y_B"),
values = c("X_A"="solid", "X_B"="dashed", "Actual Y_A"="solid", "Actual Y_B"="solid"))+

ggtitle("100 samples used in the estimation")
print(fig)

#####
## sample size = 300 #####
#####
X_A_observed <- rnorm(300, mean = 1, sd = 1)
X_B_observed <- rnorm(300, mean = 1.3, sd = 0.5)
res <- get_Y_AB_bounds_bootstrap(X_A_observed, X_B_observed)

X_A_observed_large_sample <- sort(rnorm(1e4, mean = 1, sd = 1))
X_B_observed_large_sample <- sort(rnorm(1e4, mean = 1.3, sd = 0.5))
actualDistributions <- getEmpiricalCumulativeDistributions(
  X_A_observed_large_sample,
  X_B_observed_large_sample,
  nOfEstimationPoints=1e4,
  EPSILON=1e-20)

actualDistributions$Y_A_cumulative_estimation <- lm(Y_A_cumulative_estimation ~
  p + I(p^2) + I(p^3) + I(p^4) + I(p^5) + I(p^6) + I(p^7) + I(p^8),
  data = actualDistributions)$fitted.values

actualDistributions$Y_B_cumulative_estimation <- lm(Y_B_cumulative_estimation ~
  p + I(p^2) + I(p^3) + I(p^4) + I(p^5) + I(p^6) + I(p^7) + I(p^8),
  data = actualDistributions)$fitted.values

fig = plot_Y_AB(res, plotDifference=FALSE) +

geom_line(data=as.data.frame(actualDistributions),
aes(x=p, y=Y_A_cumulative_estimation, colour = "Actual Y_A", linetype="Actual Y_A")) +

geom_line(data=as.data.frame(actualDistributions),
aes(x=p, y=Y_B_cumulative_estimation, colour = "Actual Y_B", linetype="Actual Y_B")) +

scale_colour_manual("", breaks = c("X_A", "X_B", "Actual Y_A", "Actual Y_B"),
values = c("X_A"="#00BFC4", "X_B"="#F8766D", "Actual Y_A"="#0000FF", "Actual Y_B"="#FF0000"))+

```

```

scale_linetype_manual("", breaks = c("X_A", "X_B", "Actual Y_A", "Actual Y_B"),
values = c("X_A"="solid", "X_B"="dashed", "Actual Y_A"="solid", "Actual Y_B"="solid"))+

ggtitle("300 samples used in the estimation")
print(fig)

```

get_Y_AB_bounds_DKW *Estimate Y_A and Y_B bounds with Dvoretzky–Kiefer–Wolfowitz*

Description

Estimate the confidence intervals for the cumulative distributions of Y_A and Y_B with Dvoretzky–Kiefer–Wolfowitz.

Usage

```

get_Y_AB_bounds_DKW(
  X_A_observed,
  X_B_observed,
  nOfEstimationPoints = 1000,
  alpha = 0.05,
  EPSILON = 1e-20,
  ignoreMinimumLengthCheck = FALSE
)

```

Arguments

X_A_observed	array of the observed samples (real values) of X_A.
X_B_observed	array of the observed samples (real values) of X_B.
nOfEstimationPoints	(optional, default 1000) the number of points in the interval [0,1] in which the density is estimated.
alpha	(optional, default value 0.05) the error of the confidence interval. If alpha = 0.05 then we have 95 percent confidence interval.
EPSILON	(optional, default value 1e-20) minimum difference between two values to be considered different.
ignoreMinimumLengthCheck	(optional, default value FALSE) whether to check for a minimum length in X_A and X_B.

Value

Returns a list with the following fields:

- p: values in the interval [0,1] that represent the nOfEstimationPoints points in which the densities are estimated. Useful for plotting.
- Y_A_cumulative_estimation: an array with the empirical cumulative diustribution function of Y_A from 0 to p[[i]].
- Y_A_cumulative_upper: an array with the upper bounds of confidence 1 - alpha of the cumulative density of Y_A
- Y_A_cumulative_lower: an array with the lower bounds of confidence 1 - alpha of the cumulative density of Y_A
- Y_B_cumulative_estimation: The same as Y_A_cumulative_estimation for Y_B.
- Y_B_cumulative_upper: The same as Y_A_cumulative_upper for Y_B
- Y_B_cumulative_lower: The same as Y_A_cumulative_lower for Y_B
- diff_estimation: Y_A_cumulative_estimation - Y_B_cumulative_estimation
- diff_upper: an array with the upper bounds of confidence 1 - alpha of the difference between the cumulative distributions
- diff_lower: an array with the lower bounds of confidence 1 - alpha of the difference between the cumulative distributions

Examples

```
library(ggplot2)
### Example 1 ###
X_A_observed <- rnorm(100, mean = 2, sd = 1)
X_B_observed <- rnorm(100, mean = 2.1, sd = 0.5)
res <- get_Y_AB_bounds_DKW(X_A_observed, X_B_observed)
fig1 = plot_Y_AB(res, plotDifference=FALSE) + ggtitle("Example 1")
print(fig1)

### Example 2 ###
# Comparing the estimations with the actual distributions for two normal distributions.
#####
## sample size = 100 #####
#####
X_A_observed <- rnorm(100, mean = 1, sd = 1)
X_B_observed <- rnorm(100, mean = 1.3, sd = 0.5)
res <- get_Y_AB_bounds_DKW(X_A_observed, X_B_observed)

X_A_observed_large_sample <- sort(rnorm(1e4, mean = 1, sd = 1))
X_B_observed_large_sample <- sort(rnorm(1e4, mean = 1.3, sd = 0.5))
actualDistributions <- getEmpiricalCumulativeDistributions(X_A_observed_large_sample,
  X_B_observed_large_sample, nOfEstimationPoints=1e4, EPSILON=1e-20)

actualDistributions$Y_A_cumulative_estimation <- lm(Y_A_cumulative_estimation ~
  p + I(p^2) + I(p^3) + I(p^4) + I(p^5) + I(p^6) + I(p^7) + I(p^8),
```

```

      data = actualDistributions)$fitted.values
actualDistributions$Y_B_cumulative_estimation <- lm(Y_B_cumulative_estimation ~
  p + I(p^2) + I(p^3)+ I(p^4)+ I(p^5)+ I(p^6)+I(p^7)+ I(p^8),
  data = actualDistributions)$fitted.values

fig = plot_Y_AB(res, plotDifference=FALSE) +

geom_line(data=as.data.frame(actualDistributions),
  aes(x=p, y=Y_A_cumulative_estimation, colour = "Actual Y_A", linetype="Actual Y_A")) +

geom_line(data=as.data.frame(actualDistributions),
  aes(x=p, y=Y_B_cumulative_estimation, colour = "Actual Y_B", linetype="Actual Y_B")) +

scale_colour_manual("", breaks = c("X_A", "X_B", "Actual Y_A", "Actual Y_B"),
  values = c("X_A"="#00BFC4", "X_B"="#F8766D", "Actual Y_A"="#0000FF", "Actual Y_B"="#FF0000"))+

scale_linetype_manual("", breaks = c("X_A", "X_B", "Actual Y_A", "Actual Y_B"),
  values = c("X_A"="solid", "X_B"="dashed", "Actual Y_A"="solid", "Actual Y_B"="solid"))+

ggtitle("100 samples used in the estimation")
print(fig)

#####
## sample size = 300 #####
#####
X_A_observed <- rnorm(300, mean = 1, sd = 1)
X_B_observed <- rnorm(300, mean = 1.3, sd = 0.5)
res <- get_Y_AB_bounds_DKW(X_A_observed, X_B_observed)

X_A_observed_large_sample <- sort(rnorm(1e4, mean = 1, sd = 1))
X_B_observed_large_sample <- sort(rnorm(1e4, mean = 1.3, sd = 0.5))
actualDistributions <- getEmpiricalCumulativeDistributions(X_A_observed_large_sample,
  X_B_observed_large_sample, nOfEstimationPoints=1e4, EPSILON=1e-20)

actualDistributions$Y_A_cumulative_estimation <- lm(Y_A_cumulative_estimation ~
  p + I(p^2) + I(p^3)+ I(p^4)+ I(p^5)+ I(p^6)+I(p^7)+ I(p^8),
  data = actualDistributions)$fitted.values
actualDistributions$Y_B_cumulative_estimation <- lm(Y_B_cumulative_estimation ~
  p + I(p^2) + I(p^3)+ I(p^4)+ I(p^5)+ I(p^6)+I(p^7)+ I(p^8),
  data = actualDistributions)$fitted.values

fig = plot_Y_AB(res, plotDifference=FALSE) +

geom_line(data=as.data.frame(actualDistributions),
  aes(x=p, y=Y_A_cumulative_estimation, colour = "Actual Y_A", linetype="Actual Y_A")) +

geom_line(data=as.data.frame(actualDistributions),
  aes(x=p, y=Y_B_cumulative_estimation, colour = "Actual Y_B", linetype="Actual Y_B")) +

scale_colour_manual("", breaks = c("X_A", "X_B", "Actual Y_A", "Actual Y_B"),
  values = c("X_A"="#00BFC4", "X_B"="#F8766D", "Actual Y_A"="#0000FF", "Actual Y_B"="#FF0000"))+

```

```
scale_linetype_manual("", breaks = c("X_A", "X_B", "Actual Y_A", "Actual Y_B"),
values = c("X_A"="solid", "X_B"="dashed", "Actual Y_A"="solid", "Actual Y_B"="solid"))+
ggtitle("300 samples used in the estimation")
print(fig)
```

isFunctionDensity	<i>Check if a function is a (non-discrete) probability density function in a given domain.</i>
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Description

This function checks if an input function f is a non-discrete probability density function. For this to be the case, the function needs to only return real values. The function also needs to be bounded, positive, and its integral in the domain of definition needs to be 1.

Usage

```
isFunctionDensity(f, xlims, tol = 0.001)
```

Arguments

f	the function to be checked.
$xlims$	an interval that represents the domain of definition of f .
tol	(optional parameter, default = 0.001) the integral of f is allowed to be in the interval $(1-tol, 1+tol)$, to account for some reasonable error in the integration.

Value

Returns True if the function is a non discrete probability density function. Otherwise, returns False.

Examples

```
dist1 <- normalDensity(0,1)
# the integral of the density of the normal distribution is too low in the interval (-2,2)
isFunctionDensity(dist1, c(-2,2))
isFunctionDensity(dist1, c(-5,5)) # it is close enough from 1 in the interval (-5,5)
dist2 <- uniformDensity(c(0,1))
isFunctionDensity(dist2, xlims=c(-2,2))
isFunctionDensity(dist2, xlims=c(0.5,2)) # the integral is not 1

dist3 <- function(x) 0.5/sqrt(x)
# The integral of the function being 1 is not enough to be considered a density function.
# It also needs to be bounded.
isFunctionDensity(dist3, c(1e-14,1))
```

isXlimsValid	<i>Check if xlims is a tuple that represents a valid bounded interval in the real space.</i>
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Description

Check if xlims is a tuple that represents a valid bounded interval in the real space.

Usage

```
isXlimsValid(xlims)
```

Arguments

xlims	the tuple to be checked.
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Value

TRUE if it is a valid tuple. Otherwise prints error message and returns FALSE

mixtureDensity	<i>A mixture of two or more distributions</i>
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Description

Returns the density function of the mixture distribution. The returned function is a single parameter function that returns the probability of the mixture in that point.

Usage

```
mixtureDensity(densities, weights = NULL)
```

Arguments

densities	the probability density functions to be combined.
weights	(optional) the weights of the distributions in the mixture. If it is not give, equal weights are assumed.

Value

Returns a callable function with a single parameter that returns the probability of the mixture distribution each point.

Examples

```
#If parameter weights not given, equal weights are assumed.
dist1 <- mixtureDensity(c(normalDensity(-2,1), normalDensity(2,1)))
plot(dist1, xlim = c(-5,5), xlab="x", ylab = "Probability density",
     main="Mixture of two Gaussians with equal weights", cex.main=0.85)

dist2 <- mixtureDensity(c(normalDensity(-2,1), normalDensity(2,1)), weights=c(0.8,0.2))
plot(dist2, xlim = c(-5,5), xlab="x", ylab = "Probability density",
     main="Mixture of two Gaussians with different weights", cex.main=0.85)
```

normalDensity

The probability density function of the normal distribution

Description

Returns the density function of the normal distribution with mean μ and standard deviation σ . The returned function is a single parameter function that returns the probability of the normal distribution in that point. It is just a convenient wrapper of `dnorm` from the package 'stat' with some parameter checks.

Usage

```
normalDensity(mu, sigma)
```

Arguments

<code>mu</code>	the mean of the normal distribution.
<code>sigma</code>	the standard deviation of the normal distribution.

Value

Returns a callable function with a single parameter that describes the probability of the normal distribution in that point.

See Also

Other probability density distributions: [uniformDensity\(\)](#)

Examples

```
dist <- normalDensity(0,1)
dist(0)
```

plot_Y_AB

*Plot the estimated cdf of Y_A and Y_B or their difference***Description**

returns a ggplot2 with the estimations of Y_A and Y_B or the difference in cumulative distribution function.

Usage

```
plot_Y_AB(
  estimated_Y_AB_bounds,
  labels = c("X_A", "X_B"),
  plotDifference = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

`estimated_Y_AB_bounds` the bounds estimated with [get_Y_AB_bounds_bootstrap](#) or [get_Y_AB_bounds_DKW](#).

`labels` (optional, default=c("X_A", "X_B")) a string vector of length 2 with the labels of X_A and X_B, in that order.

`plotDifference` (optional, default=TRUE) plots the difference (Y_A - Y_B) instead of each of the random variables on their own.

Value

the ggplot figure object.

Examples

```
### Example 1 ###

X_A_observed <- rnorm(800, mean = 1, sd = 1)
X_B_observed <- rnorm(800, mean = 1.3, sd = 0.5)
res <- get_Y_AB_bounds_DKW(X_A_observed, X_B_observed)
densitiesPlot = plot_Y_AB(res, plotDifference=TRUE)
print(densitiesPlot)
```

RVCompare

*RVCompare: Compare Real Valued Random Variables***Description**

A framework with tools to compare two random variables, and determine which of them produces lower values. It can compute the Cp and Cd of theoretical of probability distributions, as explained in E. Arza (2021) <<https://github.com/EtorArza/RVCompare-paper/releases>>. Given the observed samples of two random variables X_A and X_B, it can compute the confidence bands of the cumulative distributions of X'_A and X'_B (see E. Arza (2021) <<https://github.com/EtorArza/RVCompare-paper>> for details) based on the observed samples of X_A and X_B. Uses bootstrap and DKW-bounds to compute the confidence bands of the cumulative distributions. These two methods are described in B. Efron. (1979) <[doi:10.1214/aos/1176344552](https://doi.org/10.1214/aos/1176344552)> and P. Massart (1990) <[doi:10.1214/aop/1176990746](https://doi.org/10.1214/aop/1176990746)>.

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sampleFromDensity

*Get sample given the density function***Description**

Returns an array with samples given the probability density function.

Usage

```
sampleFromDensity(density, nSamples, xlims, nIntervals = 1e+05)
```

Arguments

density	the probability density function.
nSamples	the number of samples to generate.
xlims	the domain of definition of the random variable.
nIntervals	(optional, default = 1e4) the number of intervals from which to draw samples. A higher value implies more accuracy but also more computation time.

Value

Returns an array of samples.

Examples

```
normDens <- normalDensity(0,1)
samples <- sampleFromDensity(normDens, 1e4, c(-4,4))
hist(samples, breaks=20)
```

uniformDensity	<i>The probability density function of the uniform distribution</i>
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Description

Returns the density function of the uniform distribution in the interval (xlims[[1]], xlims[[2]]). The returned function is a single parameter function that returns the probability of the uniform distribution in that point. It is just a convenient wrapper of dunif from the package 'stat' with some parameter checks.

Usage

```
uniformDensity(xlims)
```

Arguments

xlims a tuple representing the interval of nonzero probability of the distribution.

Value

Returns a callable function with a single parameter that returns the probability of the uniform distribution in each point.

See Also

Other probability density distributions: [normalDensity\(\)](#)

Examples

```
dist <- uniformDensity(c(-2,2))
dist(-3)
dist(0)
dist(1)
```

xHasEnoughValues	<i>Check for enough values.</i>
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Description

This function checks if there are at least minRequiredValues values in the introduced vector.

Usage

```
xHasEnoughValues(X, minRequiredValues)
```

Arguments

`X` the array with the values.
`minRequiredValues` the minimum number values required to return TRUE.

Value

Returns TRUE if the values are OK. FALSE, if there are not enough values.

Examples

```
xHasEnoughValues(c(1,2,2,3,1,5,8,9,67,8.5,4,8.3), 6)
```

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