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RNGforGPD-package	<i>Generates Univariate and Multivariate Generalized Poisson Variables</i>
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Description

This package is about generating univariate and multivariate data that follow the generalized Poisson distribution. There are seven functions in the package: [GenUniGpois](#) and [GenMVGpois](#) are the data generation functions that simulate univariate and multivariate Poisson variables, respectively; [ValidCorrGpois](#) checks the validity of the values of pairwise correlations; [ComputeCorrGpois](#) computes the lower and upper correlation bounds of a pairwise correlation between a pair of generalized Poisson variables; [CorrNNGpois](#) adjusts the target correlation for a pair of generalized Poisson variables; [QuantileGpois](#) computes the quantile of a given generalized Poisson distribution; [CmatStarGpois](#) computes an intermediate correlation matrix. To learn more about this package please refer to both the reference manual and the vignette file.

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CmatStarGpois

Computes Intermediate Correlation Matrix

Description

CmatStarGpois computes an intermediate correlation matrix that will be used to obtain the target correlation matrix using the inverse CDF transformation method in GenMVGpois. If the intermediate correlation matrix is not positive definite, the nearest positive definite matrix is used.

Usage

```
CmatStarGpois(corMat, theta.vec, lambda.vec, verbose = TRUE)
```

Arguments

corMat	target correlation matrix.
theta.vec	rate parameters in the generalized Poisson distribution. It is assumed that the length of the vector is at least two, and each value has to be a positive number.
lambda.vec	dispersion parameters in the generalized Poisson distribution. It is assumed that the length of the vector is at least two. All lambda values have to be less than 1. For $\lambda < 0$, lambda must be greater than or equal to $-\theta/4$.
verbose	logical variable that determines whether to display the traces. Default is set to TRUE.

Value

Intermediate correlation matrix.

References

Yahav, I. and Shmueli, G. (2012). On generating multivariate Poisson data in management science applications. *Applied Stochastic Models in Business and Industry*, **28**(1), 91-102.

Examples

```
lambda.vec = c(-0.2, 0.2, -0.3)
theta.vec = c(1, 3, 4)
M = c(0.352, 0.265, 0.342)
N = diag(3)
N[lower.tri(N)] = M
TV = N + t(N)
diag(TV) = 1
cstar = CmatStarGpois(TV, theta.vec, lambda.vec, verbose = TRUE)
cstar
```

ComputeCorrGpois

Computes the Lower and Upper Correlation Bounds

Description

ComputeCorrGpois computes the lower and upper correlation bounds of pairwise correlations between any pair of generalized Poisson variables using the Generate, Sort, and Correlate (GSC) algorithm described in Demirtas and Hedeker (2011).

Usage

```
ComputeCorrGpois(theta.vec, lambda.vec, verbose = TRUE)
```

Arguments

theta.vec	rate parameters in the generalized Poisson distribution. It is assumed that the length of the vector is at least two, and each value has to be a positive number.
lambda.vec	dispersion parameters in the generalized Poisson distribution. It is assumed that the length of the vector is at least two. All lambda values have to be less than 1. For $\lambda < 0$, lambda must be greater than or equal to $-\theta/4$.
verbose	logical variable that determines whether to display the traces. Default is set to TRUE.

Value

Lower and upper correlation bounds.

References

Demirtas, H. and Hedeker, D. (2011). A practical way for computing approximate lower and upper correlation bounds. *The American Statistician*, **65**(2), 104-109.

Examples

```
ComputeCorrGpois(c(3, 2, 5, 4), c(0.3, 0.2, 0.5, 0.6), verbose = TRUE)
ComputeCorrGpois(c(4, 5), c(-0.45, -0.11), verbose = TRUE)
```

CorrNNGpois	<i>Adjusts the Target Correlation</i>
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Description

CorrNNGpois adjusts the actual/realized correlation to the target correlation bounds for a pair of generalized Poisson variables.

Usage

```
CorrNNGpois(theta.vec, lambda.vec, r)
```

Arguments

theta.vec	rate parameters in the generalized Poisson distribution. It is assumed that the length of the vector is at least two, and each value has to be a positive number.
lambda.vec	dispersion parameters in the generalized Poisson distribution. It is assumed that the length of the vector is at least two. All lambda values have to be less than 1. For $\lambda < 0$, lambda must be greater than or equal to $-\theta/4$.
r	desired target correlation.

Value

The adjusted target correlation.

References

Yahav, I. and Shmueli, G.(2012), On generating multivariate Poisson data in management science applications. *Applied Stochastic Models in Business and Industry*, **28(1)**, 91-102.

Examples

```
CorrNNGpois(c(0.1, 10), c(0.1, 0.2), 0.5)
CorrNNGpois(c(0.1, 10), c(-0.01, -0.02), 0.5)
CorrNNGpois(c(4, 2.3), c(-0.32, -0.3), 0.7)
CorrNNGpois(c(14, 10), c(-0.8, -0.3), 0.9)
```

GenMVGpois

Generates Data from Multivariate Generalized Poisson Distribution

Description

GenMVGpois simulates a sample of size *sample.size* from a set of multivariate generalized Poisson variables with correlation matrix *cmat.star* and pre-specified marginals.

Usage

```
GenMVGpois(
  sample.size,
  no.gpois,
  cmat.star,
  theta.vec,
  lambda.vec,
  details = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

<code>sample.size</code>	desired sample size (number of rows) for the multivariate generalized Poisson data
<code>no.gpois</code>	dimension of the multivariate generalized Poisson distribution.
<code>cmat.star</code>	intermediate correlation matrix.
<code>theta.vec</code>	rate parameters in the generalized Poisson distribution. It is assumed that the length of the vector is at least two, and each value has to be a positive number.
<code>lambda.vec</code>	dispersion parameters in the generalized Poisson distribution. It is assumed that the length of the vector is at least two. All lambda values have to be less than 1. For $\lambda < 0$, lambda must be greater than or equal to $-\theta/4$.
<code>details</code>	index of whether to display the specified and empirical values of parameters. Default is set to TRUE.

Value

Data that follow multivariate generalized Poisson distribution.

References

Amatya, A. and Demirtas, H. (2015). Simultaneous generation of multivariate mixed data with Poisson and normal marginals. *Journal of Statistical Computation and Simulation*, **85**(15), 3129-3139.

Amatya, A. and Demirtas, H. (2017). PoisNor: An R package for generation of multivariate data with Poisson and normal marginals. *Communications in Statistics - Simulation and Computation*, **46**(3), 2241-2253.

Demirtas, H. (2017). On accurate and precise generation of generalized Poisson variates. *Communications in Statistics - Simulation and Computation*, **46(1)**, 489-499.

Yahav, I. and Shmueli, G.(2012). On generating multivariate Poisson data in management science applications. *Applied Stochastic Models in Business and Industry*, **28(1)**, 91-102.

Examples

```
sample.size = 10000; no.gpois = 3
lambda.vec = c(-0.2, 0.2, -0.3); theta.vec = c(1, 3, 4)
M = c(0.352, 0.265, 0.342); N = diag(3); N[lower.tri(N)] = M
TV = N + t(N); diag(TV) = 1
cstar = CmatStarGpois(TV, theta.vec, lambda.vec, verbose = TRUE)
data = GenMVGpois(sample.size, no.gpois, cstar, theta.vec, lambda.vec, details = FALSE)
apply(data, 2, mean) # empirical means
theta.vec/(1 - lambda.vec) # theoretical means
apply(data, 2, var) # empirical variances
theta.vec/(1 - lambda.vec)^3 # theoretical variances
cor(data) # empirical correlation matrix
TV # specified correlation matrix
```

GenUniGpois	<i>Generates Univariate Generalized Poisson Variates</i>
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Description

GenUniGpois generates univariate random variables from the generalized Poisson distribution using one of the five methods including Inversion, Branching, Normal-Approximation, Build-Up, and Chop-Down.

Usage

```
GenUniGpois(theta, lambda, n, details = TRUE, method)
```

Arguments

theta	the rate parameter in the generalized Poisson distribution. It has to be a positive number.
lambda	the dispersion parameter in the generalized Poisson distribution. It has to be less than 1. For $\lambda < 0$, λ must be greater than or equal to $-\theta/4$.
n	number of data points that is to be generated.
details	index to indicate whether to print out the estimates of parameters. Default is set to TRUE.
method	index to specify one of the five methods for generating univariate GPD variable: "Inversion", "Branching", "Normal-Approximation", "Build-Up" or "Chop-Down".

Details

All five methods come from Demirtas (2017). When lambda equals to 0, it is the ordinary Poisson distribution, so there is no need to specify the method. "Branching" only works when lambda is positive. When theta is less than 10, the "Normal-Approximation" may not be reliable.

Value

A list that includes generated data, specified and empirical values of theta and lambda, and the specified method.

References

Demirtas, H. (2017). On accurate and precise generation of generalized Poisson variates. *Communications in Statistics - Simulation and Computation*, **46**(1), 489-499.

Examples

```
GenUniGpois(5, -0.4, 100, method = "Inversion")
GenUniGpois(2, 0.9, 100, method = "Branching")
GenUniGpois(12, 0.5, 100, method = "Normal-Approximation")
data <- GenUniGpois(3, 0.9, 10000, method = "Build-Up", details = FALSE)
data <- GenUniGpois(10, 0.4, 10, method = "Chop-Down", details = FALSE)
```

QuantileGpois

Computes Quantiles

Description

QuantileGpois computes the quantile for the generalized Poisson distribution for specified values of percentile, rate, and dispersion parameters.

Usage

```
QuantileGpois(p, theta, lambda, details = FALSE)
```

Arguments

p	percentile of the generalized Poisson distribution, p should be between 0 and 1.
theta	the rate parameter in the generalized Poisson distribution. It has to be a positive number.
lambda	the dispersion parameter in the generalized Poisson distribution. It has to be less than 1. For $\lambda < 0$, lambda must be greater than or equal to $-\theta/4$.
details	index of whether to display the probabilities and cumulative probabilities. Default is set to FALSE.

Value

Quantile of the specified distribution if the parameter *details* is set to FALSE, detailed information of probabilities and cumulative probabilities otherwise.

References

Demirtas, H. (2017). On accurate and precise generation of generalized Poisson variates. *Communications in Statistics - Simulation and Computation*, **46**(1), 489-499.

Examples

```
QuantileGpois(0.98, 1, -0.2, details = TRUE)
QuantileGpois(0.80, 2, 0.025, details = FALSE)
```

ValidCorrGpois	<i>Validates Pairwise Correlations</i>
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Description

ValidCorrGpois checks the validity of the values of pairwise correlations including positive definiteness, symmetry, and correctness of the dimensions.

Usage

```
ValidCorrGpois(corMat, theta.vec, lambda.vec, verbose = TRUE)
```

Arguments

corMat	a positive definite target correlation matrix whose entries are within the valid correlation bounds.
theta.vec	rate parameters in the generalized Poisson distribution. It is assumed that the length of the vector is at least two, and each value has to be a positive number.
lambda.vec	dispersion parameters in the generalized Poisson distribution. It is assumed that the length of the vector is at least two. All lambda values have to be less than 1. For $\lambda < 0$, lambda must be greater than or equal to $-\theta/4$.
verbose	logical variable that determines whether to display the traces. Default is set to TRUE.

Value

TRUE or FALSE.

References

Amatya, A. and Demirtas, H. (2017). PoisNor: An R package for generation of multivariate data with Poisson and normal marginals. *Communications in Statistics - Simulation and Computation*, **46**(3), 2241-2253.

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Examples

```
ValidCorrGpois(matrix(c(1, 0.9, 0.9, 1), byrow = TRUE, nrow = 2),  
                c(0.5, 0.5), c(0.1, 0.105), verbose = TRUE)  
ValidCorrGpois(matrix(c(1, 0.9, 0.9, 1), byrow = TRUE, nrow = 2),  
                c(3, 2), c(-0.3, -0.2), verbose = TRUE)
```

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