S4: Fitting power-laws in empirical data with estimators that work for all exponents

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APPENDIX D: Code

For printing the code all unnecessary comments have been removed.

APPENDIX D1: r_plfit

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% Author: R Hanel: 1.6.2016; last modification on 10.08.2016
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
function out = r_plfit(z,varargin)
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% Main begin
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if length(z)==length('help'), if strcmp(z,'help')==1,
        msg=['Using function out = r_plfit(data,varargin)\n'];
  msg=[msg 'r_plfit can be used to fit the exponent out.exponent of power laws\n'];
  msg=[msg 'in three basic different modes\n'];
  msg=[msg '(1) out = r_plfit(x) with data being samples x=[x1,...,xN] from N experiments\n'];
  msg=[msg '\t in this mode out.exponent returns the estimated exponend lambda of \n'];
  msg=[msg '\t the distribution p(z_i|lambda) one has sampled from\n'];
  msg=[msg '(2) out = r_plfit(k,''hist'') with data being histograms k=[x1,...,xW]\n'];
  msg=[msg '\t of W distinct events i=1...W with magnitudes z=[z1,...,zW]\n'];
  msg=[msg '\t here out.exponent also returns lambda\n'];
  msg=[msg '(3) out = r_plfit(k) with data being histograms k=[x1,...,xW]\n'];
  msg=[msg '\t works equivalent to (1) but with k as data one computes the\n'];
  msg=[msg '\t frequency distribution of x with exponent alpha~1+1/lambda\n'];
  msg=[msg '\n'];
  msg=[msg 'Fitting with data x:\n'];
  msg=[msg '\t By default r_plfit(x) assumes that x consists of natural numbers and\n'];
  msg=[msg '\t the sample space (magnitudes) z={i|min(x)<=i<=max(x)}\n'];
  msg=[msg '\t if magnitudes z_i are not of this form one either uses\n'];
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26    msg=[msg '\t if magnitudes z_i are not of this form one either
          uses:\n'];
27    msg=[msg '\t out = r_plfit(x,''urange'') ... which sets
          z=[z_1,...,z_W]=unique(x)\n'];
28    msg=[msg '\t where W is then the number of unique values of data points
          in x\n'];
29    msg=[msg '\t out =
          r_plfit(x,''urange'',''rangemin'',zmin,''rangemax'',zmax) can be
          used\n'];
30    msg=[msg '\t to specify a fit range zmax <= z_i <= zmin (default
          zmin=min(x), zmax=max(x))\n'];
31    msg=[msg '\t To control the data range individually use out =
          r_plfit(x,''range'',z)\n'];
32    msg=[msg '\n'];
33    msg=[msg 'Fitting with histograms k\n'];
34    msg=[msg '\t Using k (mode 3) for fitting the frequenvcy distribution
          with exponent alpha\n'];
35    msg=[msg '\t works in exactly the same way as the sample distribution
          estimating the\n'];
36    msg=[msg '\t exponent lambda using x.\n'];
37    msg=[msg '\t out = r_plfit(k,''hist'') works similar however one should
          note that\n'];
38    msg=[msg '\t in this mode r_plfit assumes by default that
          z=[1,2,...,W]\n'];
39    msg=[msg '\t The option ''urange'' has no effect in this mode and gets
          ignored if set\n'];
40    msg=[msg '\t Otherwise use out = r_plfit(k,''hist'',''range'',z) to set
          the event magnitudes z\n'];
41    msg=[msg '\t ''rangemin'' and ''rangemax'' options work in exactly the
          same way as before\n'];
42    msg=[msg '\n'];
43    msg=[msg 'Automatic low frequency cutoff \n'];
44    msg=[msg '\t By default r_plfit runs an iterative search for an optimal
          low frequency cutoff\n'];
45    msg=[msg '\t lf cutoff is set at index i where |Nz_i^lambda/N-Nmin| is
          minimal where Nmin=1\n'];
46    msg=[msg '\t by default and N the length of x=[x1,...,xN]; Nmin can be
          set using the\n'];
47    msg=[msg '\t ''Nmin'' option. If maxrange is smaller than the predicted
          lf cutoff then the\n'];
48    msg=[msg '\t cutoff has no effect. Note that in the out = r_plfit(k)
          mode the lf cutoff mechanism\n'];
49    msg=[msg '\t effectively acts as ahigh frequency cutoff with respect to
          the data x\n'];
50    msg=[msg '\t the option ''nolf'' switches of the lf cutoff \n'];
51    msg=[msg '\n'];
52    msg=[msg 'out = r_plfit(data,...,''plot'') displays the fit over the
          data\n'];
53    msg=[msg 'in double logarithmic coordinates (loglog plot)\n'];
54    msg=[msg '''fig'' behaves like ''plot'' but explicitly opens a new
          figure\n'];
55    msg=[msg '''exp_min'' can be used to specify the minimal search value
          exp_min (default =0)\n'];
56    msg=[msg 'for out.exponent. Similarly
          r_plfit(data,...,''exp_max'',expmax) sets the minimal\n'];
57    msg=[msg ' search value (default =5) to expmax\n'];
58    msg=[msg '''eps'' ... set absolute error eps (default eps=1e-10) for
          out.exponent \n'];
59    msg=[msg '\n'];
60    msg=[msg 'Other options to control the performance of the
          algorithm:\n'];
61    msg=[msg '''Ncut'' ... specifies the number of values alpha in the
          search range\n'];
62    msg=[msg 'of out.exponent. After m iterations the precision of
          out.exponent becomes\n'];
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63    msg=[msg '(expmax-expmin)/(Ncut/2)^m =>
          m(eps)~2*(log(expmax-expmin)-log(eps))/Ncut\n'];
64    msg=[msg '''Nimplicit'' sets the maximal number of implicit iteration
          for finding \n the exponent (default 80) of iterations\n'];
65    msg=[msg 'searching implicitly for out.exponent. one should use
          Nimplicit>m(eps)\n'];
66    msg=[msg '''Ntail'' sets the maximal number of iterations for the lf
          cutoff\n'];
67    msg=[msg '''info'' if set will output info over the run stored in
          out.info at runtime!\n'];
68    msg=[msg 'Bug reports to: rudolf.hanel@meduniwien.ac.at\n'];
69    fprintf(1,msg); out=msg;
70    return;
71  end; end;
72  %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
73  % Initialization & Default values
74  %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
75  N=length(z); % number of data items
76  xflg=0; cleanxflg=0; histflg=0; cdatflg=0; rangemin=0; rangemax=Inf;
77  Nrangeitems_max=1e6; eps=1e-10; issmall=1e-50; alpha_min=0; alpha_max=5;
78  lfcutoff=1; plotflg=0; newfigflg=0; testflg=1; Nmin=1; Ninc=50; Ntail=80;
79  Nimplicit=80; Nrep_cdat=80; rep_min=3; Amlthres=0.1; infoflg=0;
80  runinfo='start ...\n';
81
82  %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
83  % varargin
84  %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
85  id=0;
86  while id<length(varargin),
87    id=id+1;
88    if ischar(varargin{id}),
89      switch varargin{id},
90          case 'exp_min', alpha_min = varargin{id+1}; id=id+1;
91          case 'exp_max', alpha_max = varargin{id+1}; id=id+1;
92          case 'Ntail', Ntail = varargin{id+1}; id=id+1;
93          case 'Nimplicit', Nimplicit = varargin{id+1}; id=id+1;
94          case 'Nmin', Nmin = varargin{id+1}; id=id+1;
95          case 'Ncut', Ninc = varargin{id+1}; id=id+1;
96          case 'range', xrange = varargin{id+1}; xflg=1; id=id+1;
97          case 'rangemin', rangemin = varargin{id+1}; id=id+1;
98          case 'rangemax', rangemax = varargin{id+1}; id=id+1;
99          case 'urange', xflg=2;
100                                  % for cont dat we require the urange
101         case 'cdat', cdatflg=1; lfcutoff=0; xflg=2;
102         case 'cdat2', cdatflg=1; testflg=2; lfcutoff=0; xflg=2;
103         case 'hist', histflg=1;
104         case 'nolf', lfcutoff=0;
105         case 'info', infoflg=1;
106         case 'plot', plotflg=1;
107         case 'fig', plotflg=1; newfigflg=1;
108         case 'cleanrange',cleanxflg=1;
109         case 'eps', eps = varargin{id+1}; id=id+1;
110         otherwise, msg=['no such argument [' varargin{id} '] ->skip
              ...\n'];
111             runinfo=[runinfo msg]; if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,msg); end;
112     end
113   end
114 end
115
116 msg=['handling arguments ...\n'];
117 runinfo=[runinfo msg]; if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,msg); end;
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119 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
120 % handle hist property, data filtering etc ...
121 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
122 if histflg==1, %data is histogram data
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123     msg=['handling histogram input case ' num2str(xflg), ' ...\n'];
124     runinfo=[runinfo msg]; if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,msg); end;
125     k=z; zz=z;
126     %... urange property is specified
127     if xflg==2,
128                         msg=['r_plfit: urange property has no effect
                                together with hist input -> ', ...
129                         'set default range case 0 ... \n'];
130                         runinfo=[runinfo msg]; if infoflg==1,
                                fprintf(1,msg); end; xflg=0;
131     end;
132     switch xflg,      % if input is histogram set range to...
133         case 0, %... default range if range is not specified
134             x=1:length(k); rangemin=max(rangemin,1);
                    rangemax=min(rangemax,length(k));
135         case 1, %... range property is specified
136             if length(k)==length(xrange); x=xrange;
137                 rangemin=max(rangemin,min(x));
                        rangemax=min(rangemax,max(x));
138             else
139                 fprintf(1,runinfo);
140                 error('r_plfit: range and histogram must have same
                        length!!!');
141             end;
142         otherwise
143             fprintf(1,runinfo);
144             error('this should not happen 1 !!!');
145     end;
146     xidv=find(x>=rangemin & x<=rangemax);
147     W=length(x); N=sum(k); xx=x(xidv);
148     kk=k(xidv); WW=length(xx); NN=sum(kk);
149 else
150 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
151 % data=samples; clean data
152 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
153     msg=['cleaning data input ... \n'];
154     runinfo=[runinfo msg];
155     if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,msg); end;
156     idv=find(z>0); zz=z(idv); idv=find(abs(log(zz))<Inf);
157     zz=zz(idv); idv=find(isnan(zz)==0); zz=zz(idv);
158         %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
159     rangemin=max(rangemin,min(zz));
160     rangemax=min(rangemax,max(zz));
161     if rangemin>rangemax,
162         fprintf(1,runinfo);
163         error('r_plfit requires rangemin<rangemax!');
164     end;
165     zidv=find(zz>=rangemin & zz<=rangemax); zz=zz(zidv);
166         %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
167     if (((max(zz)-min(zz))>Nrangeitems_max) & (xflg==0)),
168         msg1=['Length of r_plfit default range rangemin:1:rangemax ' ...
169                                         num2str((max(zz)-min(zz))) 'is
                                            too large!\n'];
170         msg2=['Maximum allowed: ' num2str(Nrangeitems_max) ...
171                                         '; => r_plfit tries the urange
                                            option!\n'];
172         msg3=['Otherwise, try again by setting the range property
                manually with options:' ...
173                                     ' range, maxrange, minrange!\n'];
174         runinfo=[runinfo msg1 msg2 msg3];
175         if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,[msg1 msg2 msg3]); end; xflg=2;
176     end;
177     msg=['handling data input case ' num2str(xflg), ' ...\n'];
178     runinfo=[runinfo msg];
179     if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,msg); end;
180     switch xflg,
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                                    %... default range if range is not
                                        specified
        case 0,
            x=min(zz):max(zz);
            rangemin=max(rangemin,min(x));
            rangemax=min(rangemax,max(x));
                                    %... range property is specified
        case 1,
            x=xrange;
            rangemin=max(rangemin,min(x));
            rangemax=min(rangemax,max(x));
            % filter
            uz=unique(zz); uzon=zeros(size(uz));
            for uid=1:length(uz),
                                                          v=find(uz(uid)==x);
              if length(v)>0, uzon(uid)=1; end;
            end;
            uzoffidv=find(uzon==0);
            for uid=1:length(uzoffidv),
              v=find(uz(uzoffidv(uid))==zz);
              if length(v)>0, zz(v)=-1; end;
            end;
            v=find(zz>0); zz=zz(v);
                                    %... urange property is specified
        case 2,
            x=unique(zz);
            rangemin=max(rangemin,min(x));
            rangemax=min(rangemax,max(x));
        otherwise
            fprintf(1,runinfo);
            error('this should not happen 1 !!!');
    end;
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% sort data & filter sample-space
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
    zz=sort(zz);
    if cleanxflg==1,
        msg=['cleaning sample space ...\n'];
        runinfo=[runinfo msg];
        if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,msg); end;
        uz=unique(zz); xon=zeros(size(x));
        for xid=1:length(uz),
            v=find(uz==x(xid));
            if length(v)>0, xon(xid)=1; end;
        end;
        x=x(find(xon==1));
    end;
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% compute histogram
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
    msg=['computing histogram ...\n'];
    runinfo=[runinfo msg]; if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,msg); end;
    x=sort(x); W=length(x); maxx=max(x);
    while 1,
        xidv=find(x>=rangemin & x<=rangemax);
        if length(xidv)==0,
                                        rangemin=max(rangemin-1,issmall);
                                        rangemax=min(rangemax+5,maxx);
        else break; end;
    end;
    k=zeros(size(x)); [k,xdummy]=hist(zz,x); N=sum(k);
                xx=x(xidv); kk=k(xidv); WW=length(xx); NN=sum(kk);
end;
[a,b]=size(kk); if b==1, kk=kk'; end;
[a,b]=size(xx); if b==1, xx=xx'; end;
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%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
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% Maximum likelihood estimate: find ML optimal alpha
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xrangemax=max(xx); xrangemax2=xrangemax;
idrmax=WW; idrmax_1=0; idrmax_2=0; QQ=kk.*log(xx);
xmin=rangemin; xmax=rangemax; alphbest=0;

param.Nimplicit=Nimplicit; param.Ninc=Ninc;
param.alpha_max=alpha_max; param.alpha_min=alpha_min;
param.cdatflg=cdatflg; param.testflg=testflg;
param.infoflg=infoflg; param.issmall=issmall;

if lfcutoff==1,
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
%% optimize low frequency cut-off for ML optimal alpha
    idrmax_1=WW;
    msg=['find exponent (lf cut-off is on) ...\n'];
    runinfo=[runinfo msg];
    if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,msg); end;
    for rep1=1:Ntail,
        xridv=find(xx<=xrangemax2); idrmax_2=idrmax_1;
        idrmax_1=idrmax; idrmax=max(xridv); xxx=xx(xridv);
        kkk=kk(xridv); WWW=length(xridv); NNN=sum(kkk); QQQ=QQ(xridv);
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
%%% optimize alpha for Ninc alpha values
        loopmsg=['lf-loop: ', num2str(rep1),' '];
        [alphbest,runinfo]=h_implicit(NNN,xxx,QQQ,runinfo,loopmsg,alphbest,param);
        Aml=alphbest; yml=xx.^(-Aml); yml=yml/sum(yml);
        gugu=abs(NN*yml-Nmin); v=find(gugu==min(gugu));
        if Aml>Amlthres, idrmax=max(v); else idrmax=WW; end;
        if (idrmax==idrmax_1 | idrmax==idrmax_2) & rep1>=rep_min, break;
            end;
        idrmax=max(idrmax,1); xrangemax2=xx(idrmax);
    end;
else
    msg=['find exponent (lf cut-off is off) ...\n'];
    runinfo=[runinfo msg];
    if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,msg); end;
    [alphbest,runinfo]=h_implicit(NN,xx,QQ,runinfo,'',alphbest,param);
    Aml=alphbest; idrmax=WW;
end
msg=['preparing output ...\n'];
runinfo=[runinfo msg];
if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,msg); end;

xlfcutoff=1:idrmax;

% Quality of fit;
xxx=xx(xlfcutoff);
plf=xxx.^(-Aml); %Aml,
plf=plf/sum(plf);
p=xx.^(-Aml); %Aml,
p=p/sum(p);

ylf=kk(xlfcutoff)/sum(kk(xlfcutoff)); y=kk/sum(kk);
if plotflg==1,
    if newfigflg==1, figure; end;
    loglog(xxx,ylf,'r')
    hold on;
    loglog(xxx,plf),
    loglog(xxx(idrmax),plf(idrmax),'go'),
    pause(0.01);
end;

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311 out.runinfo=runinfo;
312 out.N = NN; out.K=kk; out.fit.data=zz;
313 out.fit.Nsamples=N; out.fit.Nmin = Nmin;
314 out.fit.range=xx; out.fit.lf_cutoff_on=lfcutoff;
315 out.fit.alpha_min=alpha_min; out.fit.alpha_max=alpha_max;
316 out.fit.Ntail=Ntail; out.fit.Nimplicit=Nimplicit;
317 out.fit.Ninc=Ninc;
318
319 out.exponent = Aml;
320 out.KSall = max(abs(cumsum(y)-cumsum(p)));
321 out.KSrange = max(abs(cumsum(ylf)-cumsum(plf)));
322 out.xmax = max(xx); out.xmin = min(xx);
323 out.rangemax = rangemax; out.rangemin = rangemin;
324 out.lf_rangemax = max(xxx); out.lf_cutoffid = idrmax;
325
326 return;
327 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
328 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
329 % MAIN END
330 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
331 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
332
333 function
        [alphbest,runinfo]=h_implicit(NN,xx,QQ,runinfo,loopmsg,alphbest,param)
334
335 Nimplicit=param.Nimplicit; Ninc=param.Ninc;
336 alpha_max=param.alpha_max; alpha_min=param.alpha_min;
337 cdatflg=param.cdatflg; testflg=param.testflg;
338 infoflg=param.infoflg; issmall=param.issmall;
339 xmin=min(xx); xmax=max(xx);
340
341 dalph=(alpha_max-alpha_min)/Ninc;
342 alphav=alpha_min:dalph:alpha_max;
343 QQQ=sum(QQ);
344 for rep2=1:Nimplicit,
345     msg1=['implicit: ', num2str(rep2)];
346     msg2=[' accuracy: ',num2str(log(dalph/eps)/log(10))];
347     msg3=[' alpha: ', num2str(alphbest),' ...\n'];
348     runinfo=[runinfo loopmsg msg1 msg2 msg3];
349     if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,[loopmsg msg1 msg2 msg3]); end;
350     d=zeros(size(alphav));
351     count=0;
352     logxx=log(xx);
353     for alph=alphav,
354         count=count+1; px=xx.^(-alph); px=px/sum(px);
355         if cdatflg==0
356             FFF=NN*sum(px.*logxx);
357         else
358             if abs(alph-1)<issmall, if alph<1 alph=1-issmall; else
                    alph=1+issmall; end; end;
359             %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
360             switch testflg,
361                 case 1,
362                 % PRIMITIVE ESTIMATOR FOR xmax and xmin ....
363                     dhi=0; dlo=0;
364                     xmax2=xmax+dhi;
365                     xmin2=xmin-dlo;
366                     hxmax=xmax2.^(1-alph);
367                     hxmin=xmin2.^(1-alph);
368                     if hxmax>hxmin, h1=max(hxmax-hxmin,issmall);
369                     else h1=-max(hxmin-hxmax,issmall);
370                     end;
371                     FFF=NN*((hxmax*log(xmax2)-hxmin*log(xmin2))/h1-1/(1-alph));
372                 case 2,
373                 % EXPERIMENTAL ESTIMATOR FOR xmax and xmin ....
374                 % REM: works quite badly!!!
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                        lxx=length(xx);
                        hxhi=xx(3:lxx);
                        hxlo=xx(1:(lxx-2));
                        hxmid=xx(2:(lxx-1));
                        hf1=(hxhi-hxlo).*hxmid.^(1-alph);
                        hf2=hf1.*log(hxmid);
                        FFF=NN*sum(hf2)/sum(hf2);
                    otherwise
                        error('... this should never happen!');
                end;
            end;
            val=abs(QQQ-FFF);
            if isnan(val)==0; d(count)=val; else d(count)=Inf; end;
        end;
        if length(d)==0,
            msg=['dalpha too small -> break loop: ', dalph, ' !!!\n'];
            runinfo=[runinfo msg];
            if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,msg); end;
            break;
        end;
        v=find(d==min(d));
        alphbest=alphav(v(1));
        new_dalph=4*dalph/Ninc;
        alphav=(alphbest-2*dalph):new_dalph:(alphbest+2*dalph);
        if dalph<eps, break; end;
        dalph=new_dalph;
    end;
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APPENDIX D2: r_plhistfit

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%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% Author: R Hanel
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
function out = r_plhistfit(k,varargin)
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% latest modification on 12.07.2016
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% arg
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% k ... is the recorded data as a histogram
%       By default we assume a linear binning that
%       uses bins b_i=i+1/2 for bin k_i=|{x|b_i>x>b_{i-1}}|
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
if length(k)==length('help'),
if strcmp(k,'help')==1,
    msg=['Using function out = r_plfit(data,varargin)\n'];
    msg=[msg 'r_plhistfit can be used to fit the exponent out.exponent of
        power laws\n'];
    msg=[msg 'where data is given as histogram k=[k_1, ... , k_W] \n'];
    msg=[msg 'The histogram is associated with bin margins b=[b_0, ... ,
        b_W] \n'];
    msg=[msg 'such that each event x counted in the i''th bin fulfills
        b_i>x>b_{i-1}\n'];
    msg=[msg '\n'];
    msg=[msg 'Fitting binned histograms:\n'];
    msg=[msg '\t By default r_plhistfit(k) assumes that k is a
        histogram\n'];
    msg=[msg '\t over bins with margins b_i=i+1/2 \n'];
    msg=[msg '\t if other margins get used one can set them by using \n'];
    msg=[msg '\t out = r_plhistfit(x,''margins'',margins) ... where
        margins is a vector [b_0,....b_W] \n'];
    msg=[msg '\t To specify a fit range zmax <= z_i <= zmin (default
        zmin=min(x), zmax=max(x))\n'];
    msg=[msg '\t ''rangemin'' and ''rangemax'' options can be used to set
        the fit range\n'];
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30      msg=[msg '\n'];
31      msg=[msg 'Automatic low frequency handling \n'];
32      msg=[msg '\t By default r_plhistfit does not merge bins in such a way
            that each bin has at least Nmin elements  \n'];
33      msg=[msg '\t the option ''lf''  switches on this lf handling \n'];
34      msg=[msg '\n'];
35      msg=[msg 'out = r_plfit(data,...,''plot'') displays the fit over the
            data\n'];
36      msg=[msg 'in double logarithmic coordinates (loglog plot)\n'];
37      msg=[msg '''fig'' behaves like ''plot'' but explicitly opens a new
            figure\n'];
38      msg=[msg '''exp_min'' can be used to specify the minimal search value
            exp_min (default =0)\n'];
39      msg=[msg 'for out.exponent. Similarly
            r_plfit(data,...,''exp_max'',expmax) sets the minimal\n'];
40      msg=[msg ' search value (default =5) to expmax\n'];
41      msg=[msg '''eps'' ... set absolute error eps (default eps=1e-5) for
            out.exponent \n'];
42      msg=[msg '\n'];
43      msg=[msg 'Other options to control the performance of the
            algorithm:\n'];
44      msg=[msg '''Ncut'' ... specifies the number of values alpha in the
            search range\n'];
45      msg=[msg 'of out.exponent. After m iterations the precision of
            out.exponent becomes\n'];
46      msg=[msg '(exp_max-exp_min)/(Ncut/2)^m =>
            m(eps)~2*(log(expmax-expmin)-log(eps))/Ncut\n'];
47      msg=[msg '''Nimplicit'' sets the maximal number of implicit iteration
            for finding \nthe exponent (default 80) of iterations\n'];
48      msg=[msg 'searching implicitly for out.exponent. one should use
            Nimplicit>m(eps)\n'];
49      msg=[msg '''info'' if set will output info over the run stored in
            out.info at runtime!\n'];
50      msg=[msg '''autocenter'' assumes that bins have an overall offset
            that can be optimized!\n'];
51      msg=[msg '''eps2'' can be used to set the search accuracy of the
            ''autocenter'' option (default eps2=1e-7)!\n'];
52      msg=[msg 'Bug reports to: rudolf.hanel@meduniwien.ac.at\n'];
53      fprintf(1,msg);
54      out=msg;
55      return;
56  end;
57  end;
58  %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
59  % Initialization
60  %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
61  % number of data items
62  Nbin=length(k);
63  %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
64  % Default values
65
66  rangemin=0; rangemax=Inf; eps=1e-5; eps2=1e-7;
67  issmall=1e-10; smallaszero=1e-50;
68  alpha_min=0; alpha_max=5; xflg=0; lfflg=0;
69  plotflg=0;newfigflg=0; infoflg=0; centerflg=0;
70  centerfac=0; autocenterflg=0;
71  Nmin=1; Ncut=100; Nimplicit=500; Nautoc=50;
72  acenterf=0.999;
73
74  runinfo=['start ... \n'];
75
76  %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
77  % varargin
78  %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
79  id=0;
80  while id<length(varargin),
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81    id=id+1;
82    if ischar(varargin{id}),
83      switch varargin{id},
84          case 'alpha_min', alpha_min = varargin{id+1}; id=id+1;
85          case 'alpha_max', alpha_max = varargin{id+1}; id=id+1;
86          case 'Nimplicit', Nimplicit = varargin{id+1}; id=id+1;
87          case 'Nautoc', Nautoc = varargin{id+1}; id=id+1;
88          case 'Nmin', Nmin = varargin{id+1}; id=id+1;
89          case 'Ncut', Ncut = varargin{id+1}; id=id+1;
90          case 'margins', margin = varargin{id+1}; xflg=1; id=id+1;
91          case 'rangemin', rangemin = varargin{id+1}; id=id+1;
92          case 'rangemax', rangemax = varargin{id+1}; id=id+1;
93          case 'lf', lfflg = 1;
94          case 'plot', plotflg=1;
95          case 'plot2', plotflg=2;
96          case 'fig', plotflg=1; newfigflg=1;
97          case 'eps', eps = varargin{id+1}; id=id+1;
98          case 'eps2', eps2 = varargin{id+1}; id=id+1;
99          case 'autocenter', autocenterflg = 1;
100         if centerflg==1,
101                 msg=['The option ''autocenter'' supersedes' ...
102                 ' the options ''center'' and ''centering''!!!\n'];
103                 runinfo=[runinfo msg];
104                 if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,msg); end;
105                 centerflg = 0;
106         end;
107         case 'acf', acenterf = varargin{id+1}; id=id+1;
108         case 'center', % Ok
109         if autocenterflg==1,
110                 msg=['The option ''autocenter'' supersedes' ...
111                 ' the options ''center'' and ''centering''!!!\n'];
112                 runinfo=[runinfo msg];
113                 if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,msg); end;
114                 centerflg = 0;
115         else
116                 centerflg = 1;
117         end;
118         case 'centering', % Ok
119         if autocenterflg==1,
120                 msg=['The option ''autocenter'' supersedes' ...
121                 ' the options ''center'' and ''centering''!!!\n'];
122                 runinfo=[runinfo msg];
123                 if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,msg); end;
124                 centerflg = 0; centerfac = 0;
125         else
126         centerflg = 1;
127         centerfac = varargin{id+1};
128         centerfac=min(max(centerfac,-1),1);
129         end;
130         id=id+1;
131         case 'info',
132         infoflg=1;
133         otherwise,
134         msg=['no such argument [' varargin{id} '] ->skip\n'];
135         runinfo=[runinfo msg];
136         if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,msg); end;
137     end
138   end
139 end
140 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
141 % handle histogram, data filtering etc ...
142 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
143 % data=histogram
144 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
145 %     k=z;
146 msg=['handling histogram ...\n'];
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runinfo=[runinfo msg];
if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,msg); end;

%if imput is histogram set range to...
switch xflg,
%...default binning if only histogram available
    case 0,
        msg=['setting default bins ...\n'];
        runinfo=[runinfo msg];
        if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,msg); end;
        margin=(1:(Nbin+1));
        if centerflg==1, margin=margin-1/2*(1+(1-issmall)*centerfac); end;
    %...binning if margins are available
    case 1,
        if length(margin)~=(Nbin+1),
            msg=['length(margin)=', num2str(length(margin)),' needst to
                equal length(k)+1=', ...
                                                num2str(length(k)+1)
                    ,'!!!'];
            error(msg);
        end;
        margin=sort(margin,'ascend');
    otherwise
        error('this should not happen 1 !!!');
end;
% remark here bin [margin(i),margin(i+1)] is associated with k(i+1).
rangemin=max(rangemin,margin(1));
rangemax=min(rangemax,max(margin)+issmall);
xidv=find(margin>=rangemin & margin<rangemax);
xmargin=margin(xidv); xNmarg=length(xmargin);
xNbin=xNmarg-1; kidv=xidv(2:xNmarg)-1; xk=k(kidv);
N=sum(k); W=length(k); NN=sum(xk); WW=length(xk);

if autocenterflg==1,
    msg=['handling autocenter option ...\n'];
    runinfo=[runinfo msg];
    if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,msg); end;
    acenterf=min(max(acenterf,0),1-issmall);
    dbfac=rangemin*acenterf;
    deltacv=2/Ncut;
    acv=(-1:deltacv:1)*dbfac;
    deltacv=deltacv*dbfac;
else
    Nautoc=1;
    deltacv=0;
    acv=[0];
end;
lacv=length(acv);

%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% lf handling
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
if lfflg==1,
    msg=['handling low frequency option ...\n'];
    runinfo=[runinfo msg];
    if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,msg); end;

    binsum=0;
    lfmarg=[margin(1)];
    lfk=[];
    mid=0;
    for id=1:WW,
        binsum=binsum+xk(id);
        if binsum>=Nmin,
            mid=id+1;
            lfmarg=[lfmarg xmargin(mid)];
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            lfk=[lfk binsum];
            binsum=0;
        end;
    end
    % if the last bin margin is not xmarg(WW+1)
    lfW=length(lfmarg)-1;
    lfmarg(lfW+1)=xmargin(WW+1);
    lfk(lfW)=lfk(lfW)+binsum;
    xmargin=lfmarg; xk=lfk; WW=lfW;
end;
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% Maximum likelihood estimate & find optimal alpha
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
for rep1=1:Nautoc,
    xKSV=zeros(1,lacv);
    xAmlV=zeros(1,lacv);
    xcount=0;
    for dcent=acv,
        xcount=xcount+1; xxmargin=xmargin+dcent; idrmax=WW+1;
        xmax=max(xxmargin); xmin=min(xxmargin);
        dalph=(alpha_max-alpha_min)/Ncut;
        alphav=alpha_min:dalph:alpha_max;
        idrmax=length(xxmargin); p=zeros(1,WW); f=xk/NN;
        %%% optimize alpha for Ncut alpha values
        %xmargin0=xmargin;
        msg=['start optimizing exponent ...\n'];
        runinfo=[runinfo msg];
        if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,msg); end;
        %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
        % Inner Iterations
        %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
        for rep2=1:Nimplicit,
            d=zeros(size(alphav)); count=0;
            for alph=alphav,
                count=count+1;
                if abs(alph-1)<smallaszero,
                    hmarg=log(xxmargin);
                    hxmax=log(xmax);
                    hxmin=log(xmin);
                else
                    hmarg=xxmargin.^(1-alph);
                    hxmax=xmax.^(1-alph);
                    hxmin=xmin.^(1-alph);
                end;
                p=hmarg(2:(WW+1))-hmarg(1:WW);
                p=p/(hxmax-hxmin);
                h1=hmarg.*log(xxmargin);
                h2=h1(2:(WW+1))-h1(1:WW);
                h3=hxmax*log(xmax)-hxmin*log(xmin);
                p(find(p<smallaszero))=smallaszero;
                p=p/sum(p);
                m=h2/h3;
                d(count)=abs(sum(f.*m./p)-1);
            end;
            if length(d)==0,
                msg=['dalpha too small -> break loop: ', dalph, ' !!!\n'];
                runinfo=[runinfo msg];
                if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,msg); end;
                break;
            end;
            v=find(d==min(d));
            alphbest=alphav(v(1));
            new_dalph=4*dalph/Ncut;
            alphav=(alphbest-2*dalph):new_dalph:(alphbest+2*dalph);
            if dalph<eps, break; end;
            dalph=new_dalph;
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                msg1=['repetition: ', num2str([rep1,rep2])];
                msg2=[' accuracy: '
                    ,num2str(log([deltacv/eps2,dalph/eps])./log(10))];
                msg3=[' alpha: ', num2str(alphbest),' ...\n'];
                msg=[msg1 msg2 msg3];
                runinfo=[runinfo msg];
                if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,msg); end;
            end;
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% End inner iterations
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
            Aml=alphbest;
            if abs(Aml-1)<smallaszero,
                hmarg=log(xxmargin);
                hxmax=log(xmax);
                hxmin=log(xmin);
            else
                hmarg=xxmargin.^(1-Aml);
                hxmax=xmax.^(1-Aml);
                hxmin=xmin.^(1-Aml);
            end;
            pml=hmarg(2:(WW+1))-hmarg(1:WW);
            pml=pml/(hxmax-hxmin);
            %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
            % Quality of fit;
            %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
            fml=xk/sum(xk);
            KS = max(abs(cumsum(pml)-cumsum(fml)));
            xAmlV(xcount)=Aml;
            xKSV(xcount)=KS;
            %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
            if plotflg>1,
                xdelta=diff(xxmargin);
                xcentroid=zeros(1,WW);
                xcentroid=(xxmargin(1:WW)+xxmargin(2:(WW+1)))/2;
                hold off;
                loglog(xcentroid,fml./xdelta,'r')
                hold on;
                loglog(xcentroid,pml./xdelta),
                pause(0.01);
            end;
                    %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
        end;
        v=min(find(xKSV==min(xKSV)));
        xid=v(1);
        Aml=xAmlV(xid);
        KSV=xKSV(xid);
        db=acv(xid);
        acvmin=db-2*deltacv;
        acvmax=db+2*deltacv;
        deltacv=4*deltacv/Ncut;
        acv=acvmin:deltacv:acvmax;
        lacv=length(acv);
        if deltacv<eps2, break; end;
end;
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% End outer iterations
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%

msg=['preparing output ...\n'];
runinfo=[runinfo msg];
if infoflg==1, fprintf(1,msg); end;

xxmargin=xmargin+db;
xmax=max(xxmargin);
xmin=min(xxmargin);
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if abs(Aml-1)<smallaszero,
      hmarg=log(xxmargin);
      hxmax=log(xmax);
      hxmin=log(xmin);
else
      hmarg=xxmargin.^(1-Aml);
      hxmax=xmax.^(1-Aml);
      hxmin=xmin.^(1-Aml);
end;
pml=hmarg(2:(WW+1))-hmarg(1:WW);
pml=pml/(hxmax-hxmin);
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
xcentroid=zeros(1,WW);
xcentroid=(xxmargin(1:WW)+xxmargin(2:(WW+1)))/2;
fml=xk/sum(xk);
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% plot
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
xdelta=diff(xmargin); %/(max(xmargin)-min(xmargin));
hold off;
if plotflg>0,
      if newfigflg==1, figure; end;
      loglog(xcentroid,fml./xdelta,'r')
      hold on;
      loglog(xcentroid,pml./xdelta),
      pause(0.01);
end;
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% output
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
out.runinfo=runinfo; out.exponent = Aml;
out.KS = KS; out.xmin = xmin; out.xmax = xmax;
out.pml = pml; out.f = fml; out.centers=xcentroid;
out.xmargin=xmargin; out.offset=db; out.keff=xk;
out.fit.N = N; out.fit.Neff= NN;
out.fit.alpha_min=alpha_min; out.fit.alpha_max=alpha_max;
out.fit.Nmin = Nmin; out.fit.Nimplicit=Nimplicit;
out.fit.Ncut=Ncut; out.fit.lfmode = lfflg;
out.fit.margin=margin; out.fit.k=k;
out.fit.delta=dalph;

return;
```

APPENDIX D3: r_plfit_calibrate

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%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% Author: R Hanel
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
function out = r_plfit_calibrate(alpha,W, Nsamples, Nrep)
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% USE FOR SAMPLING CALIBRATION CURVES FOR
% the r_plfit KS statistics.
% r_plfit_calibrate samples from a power-law with exponent
% alpha Nsamples (can be a vector) samples then uses r_plfit to predict alpha
% and measures the corresponding KS values. This is repeated
% for Nrep times. By sorting the KS vector of length Nrep
% in a descending order one gets a curve KS(id) over p=id/Nrep, which
% represents the p-value of the KS value KS(id) of the r_plfit estimate
% This means that for KS(id) there exists a chance p=id/Nrep that we
% might sample a KS value more extreme than KS(id). This allows us to
% determine the critical KS value KS(id) for which we may expect
% to reject only a fraction p=id/Nrep of samples of size Nsamples
% that actually have been drawn from a power-law with exponent alpha
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% out ... is a struct that returns a summary of the input
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% out.alpha=alpha;
% out.W=W;
% out.Nsample=Nsamples;
% out.Nrep=Nrep;
% out.KSS=KSS;        ... the Nrep x length(Nsamples) matrix of KS statistics values
% out.LAM=LAM;        ... the Nrep x length(Nsamples) matrix of reconst. exponents
% out.KSSsorted=KSSsorted;  ... the sorted matrix of KS statistics matrix
% out.LAMsorted=LAMsorted;   ... the sorted matrix of exponents (ordered in the same way as KS)
% out.Pval=Pvalv;     ... the vector p=(1:Nrep)/Nrep
%
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% define distribution to sample from
p=(1:W).^(-alpha); p=p/sum(p);
L=length(Nsamples);
Nsm=max(Nsamples);
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
LAM=zeros(Nrep,L);  % the expected exponent
KSS=zeros(Nrep,L);  % the KS statistics variable
% produce Nrep data sets
for id=1:Nrep,
    fprintf(1,['---------- togo=', num2str(Nrep-id),
        '----------------\n']);
    data=r_randi(p,'p','Nsamples',Nsm);
    % look at sample-sizes N
    for id2=1:L;
        N=Nsamples(id2);
        [pdf1,dummy]=hist(data(1:N),1:W);
        pdf1=pdf1/sum(pdf1);
        % make the ML estimate of the exponent
        x=r_plfit(data(1:N),'noks');
        % and compute the estimated power-law distribution
        pdf2=(1:W).^x.exponent;
        pdf2=pdf2/sum(pdf2);
        % compute the KS value statistics
        KSS(id,id2) = max(abs(cumsum(pdf1)-cumsum(pdf2)));
        LAM(id,id2) = x.exponent;
    end;
end
KSSsorted=zeros(size(KSS));
LAMsorted=zeros(size(LAM));
Pvalv=(1:Nrep)/Nrep;
KSScrit=zeros(Nrep,L);
% compute the p-value landscape
for id2=1:L,
    [KSSv,I]=sort(KSS(:,id2),'descend');
    LAMv=LAM(I,id2);
    KSSsorted(:,id2)=KSSv;
    LAMsorted(:,id2)=LAMv;
end

% set the output
out.alpha=alpha;
out.W=W;
out.Nrep=Nrep;
out.KSS=KSS;
out.LAM=LAM;
out.KSSsorted=KSSsorted;
out.LAMsorted=LAMsorted;
out.Pval=Pvalv;
out.Nsample=Nsamples;
```

APPENDIX D4: r_plfit_calib_eval

```matlab
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% Author: R Hanel
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
function out = r_plfit_calib_eval(in,confidence,samplesize,plotflg)
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% finds the critical KS value from the confidence p-value confidence
% for the samples-size samplesize from in=r_plfit_calibrate(...) and returns
% out.confidence
% out.samplesize
% out.Nsample ... vector of sample sizes (r_plfit_calibrate)
% out.Pval ... (r_plfit_calibrate)
% out.KS ... selected (by confidence) and interpolated KS vector of length(out.Nsamples)
% out.KScrit ... selected (by confidence and smplesize) and interpolated critical KS value
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
plotflg=round(plotflg);
if plotflg>2, plotflg=2; end;
if plotflg<0, plotflg=0; end;
%plotflg=2; % plot a calibration curve 1D + 2D
%plotflg=1; % plot a calibration curve 1D
%plotflg=0; % no plots
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
L=length(in.Nsample);
Nrep=in.Nrep;

out.confidence=confidence;
out.samplesize=samplesize;
out.Nsample=in.Nsample;
out.Pval=in.Pval;
v=find(abs(in.Pval-confidence)==min(abs(in.Pval-confidence)));
cid=min(v);
if in.Pval(cid)<confidence,
  if cid>1,
    a=(in.Pval(cid)-confidence)/(in.Pval(cid)-in.Pval(cid-1));
    b=(confidence-in.Pval(cid-1))/(in.Pval(cid)-in.Pval(cid-1));
    out.KS=a*in.KSSsorted(cid,:)+b*in.KSSsorted(cid-1,:);
  else
    out.KS=in.KSSsorted(cid,:);
  end;
else
  if cid<length(in.Pval),
    a=(in.Pval(cid+1)-confidence)/(in.Pval(cid+1)-in.Pval(cid));
    b=(confidence-in.Pval(cid))/(in.Pval(cid+1)-in.Pval(cid));
    out.KS=a*in.KSSsorted(cid+1,:)+b*in.KSSsorted(cid,:);
  else
    out.KS=in.KSSsorted(cid,:);
  end;
end;
v=find(abs(in.Nsample-samplesize)==min(abs(in.Nsample-samplesize)));
sid=min(v);
if in.Nsample(sid)>samplesize,
  if sid>1,
    a=(in.Nsample(sid)-samplesize)/(in.Nsample(sid)-in.Nsample(sid-1));
    b=(samplesize-in.Nsample(sid-1))/(in.Nsample(sid)-in.Nsample(sid-1));
    out.KScrit=a*out.KS(sid)+b*out.KS(sid-1);
  else
    out.KScrit=out.KS(sid);
  end;
else
  if sid<length(in.Nsample),
    a=(in.Nsample(sid+1)-samplesize)/(in.Nsample(sid+1)-in.Nsample(sid));
    b=(samplesize-in.Nsample(sid))/(in.Nsample(sid+1)-in.Nsample(sid));
    out.KScrit=a*out.KS(sid+1)+b*out.KS(sid);
  else
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    out.KScrit=out.KS(sid);
  end;
end;

if plotflg==1,
    figure;
    L=length(out.KS);
    plot(out.Nsample,out.KS);
    xlabel('sample size');
    ylabel('KS');
end;
if plotflg==2,
    figure;
    subplot(2,2,1);
        mesh(in.Nsample,in.Pval,in.LAMsorted);
        xlabel('sample size');
        ylabel('confid.');
        zlabel('\lambda');
    subplot(2,2,2);
        mesh(in.Nsample,in.Pval,in.KSSsorted);
        xlabel('sample size');
        ylabel('confid.');
        zlabel('KS');
    subplot(2,2,3);
        for id=1:L
            gval=id/L;
            plot(in.Pval,in.KSSsorted(:,id),'Color',[1,gval,1-gval]);
                hold on;
        end;
        hold off;
        xlabel('confid.');
        ylabel('KS');
    subplot(2,2,4);
        for id=1:Nrep
            gval=id/Nrep;
            plot(in.Nsample,in.KSSsorted(id,:),'Color',[1,1-gval,gval]);
                hold on;
        end;
        hold off;
        xlabel('sample size');
        ylabel('KS');
end;
return;
```

APPENDIX D5: r_randi

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%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% Author: R Hanel
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
function n=r_randi(X,varargin),
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% varargin:
% a) n=r_randi(X)
%   X ... can be a vector of numbers > 0
%   n ... returns a vector of randomnumbers with 1<=n(id)<=X(id)
% b) n=r_randi(X,'Nsamples',Nsamples)
%   X ... is a number > 0
%   Nsamples ... is a number > 0
%   n ... returns a vector of lenghth Nsamples with randomnumbers
    1<=n(id)<=X
% c) n=r_randi(X,'p')
%   X ... is a real vector > 0 representing a distribution function
%       X gets normalized by r_randi to X/sum(X)
%   n ... returns a number drawn randomly from id=1:length(X)
%       with probability X(id)/sum(X)of;
%       if the 'Nsamples' option is used n is a vector of length(X)
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% c) n=r_randi(X,'cp')
%   X ... is a real monotonically increasing vector > 0 representing a cummulative
%        distribution function; X gets normalized by r_randi to X/X(length(X))
%   n ... returns a number drawn randomly from the distribution
%        characterized by the cummulative distribution
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
id=0;
isdist=0;
Nsamples=1;
while id<length(varargin),
  id=id+1;
  if ischar(varargin{id}),
    switch varargin{id},
        case 'Nsamples',
            % X is distribution
            Nsamples = varargin{id+1};
            id=id+1;
        case 'p',
            % X is distribution
            isdist = 1;
        case 'cp',
            % X is cummulative distribution
            isdist = 2;
        otherwise,
            fprintf(1,['no such argument [' varargin{id} '] ->skip\n']);
    end
  end
end
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
n=zeros(1,Nsamples);
if isdist==0,
    W=max(round(X),1);
    if length(X)>1,
        Nsamples=length(X);
        n=zeros(1,Nsamples);
        n=min(1+floor(rand(size(W)).*W),W);
    else
        for id=1:Nsamples,
            n(id)=min(1+floor(rand(size(W))*W),W);
        end;
    end
elseif isdist==2
    if X(length(X))~=1, X=X/X(length(X)); end;
    for id=1:Nsamples,
        v=find(rand<=X);
        n(id)=min(v);
    end;
else
    p=X/sum(X);
    csp=cumsum(p);
    for id=1:Nsamples,
%       if mod(id,1000)==0, Nsamples-id, pause(0.1); end;
        v=find(rand<=csp);
        n(id)=min(v);
    end;
end;

return;
```