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NON-CENTRAL F OR BETA DISTRIBUTION

1. **Procedure declaration.** The non-central beta distribution is defined as

$$(1) \quad B(t: p, q; \lambda) = e^{-\lambda} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (\lambda^k/k!) B(t: p+k, q),$$

where $0 \leq t \leq 1$, $p > 0$, $q > 0$, and $B(t: p, q)$ is the incomplete beta ratio,

$$(2) \quad B(t: p, q) = \int_0^t s^{p-1} (1-s)^{q-1} ds / B(p, q).$$

The non-central F and non-central beta distributions are related by

$$(3) \quad F(w: n_1, n_2; \lambda) = B(t: p, q; \lambda),$$

where $p = n_1/0.5$, $q = n_2/0.5$, and $t = pw/(pw+q)$. Throughout this note we assume that $\lambda \geq 0$.

For given values x , a , b and h ($a > 0$, $b > 0$, $h \geq 0$), the real procedure *nonfob* computes the value of the distribution function of the non-central beta distribution (1) or of the non-central F distribution (3).

Data:

- x – the value of t in (1) or of w in (3);
- a – the value of p in (1) or of n_1 in (3), $a > 0$;
- b – the value of q in (1) or of n_2 in (3), $b > 0$;
- h – the value of λ in (1) and (3), $h \geq 0$;
- ind* – Boolean variable; if *ind* \equiv **true**, then the real procedure *nonfob* computes the value of (1), and if *ind* \equiv **false**, then the real procedure *nonfob* computes the value of (3);
- eps* – the accuracy of the method.

Result:

- nonfob* – the value of the distribution function of the non-central F or non-central beta distribution.

Other parameters:

- loggamma* – real procedure with the following head: **real procedure loggamma** (x); **value** x ; **real** x ; this procedure is published in [5] and

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real procedure betain(x,p,q,beta,acu);
  value x,p,q,beta,acu;
  real x,p,q,beta,acu;
  begin
    integer ns;
    real psq,cx,xx,pp,qq,term,ai,rx,temp,be;
    Boolean index;
    psq:=p+q; cx:=1.0-x;
    if p<psq*x
      then
        begin
          xx:=cx; cx:=x; pp:=q; qq:=p; index:=true
        end p<psq*x
      else
        begin
          xx:=x; pp:=p; qq:=q; index:=false
        end p>=psq*x;
    term:=ai:=be:=1.0; ns:=qq+cx*psq; rx:=xx/cx;
E1: temp:=qq-ai;
    if ns=0 then rx:=xx;
E2: term:=term*temp*rx/(pp+ai); be:=be+term; temp:=abs(term);
    if temp>acu or temp>acu*be
      then
        begin
          ai:=ai+1.0; ns:=ns-1;
          if ns>=0
            then goto E1
          else
            begin
              temp:=psq; psq:=psq+1.0; goto E2
            end ns<0
          end temp>acu or temp>acu*be;
    betain:=be:=be*exp(pp*ln(xx)+(qq-1.0)*ln(cx)-beta)/pp;
    if index then betain:=1.0-be
  end betain

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real procedure nonfob(x, a, b, h, ind, eps, loggamma, betain, jump);
  value x, a, b, h, eps;
  real x, a, b, h, eps;
  Boolean ind;
  label jump;
  real procedure loggamma, betain;
  begin
    integer n;
    real c, e, s, r, p, d;
    if x < .0 or (x > 1.0 and ind) or a <= .0 or b <= .0 or h < .0
      then goto jump;
    if x = .0 or (x = 1.0 and ind)
      then nonfob := x
    else
      begin
        if not ind
          then
            begin
              a := a*.5; b := b*.5; c := a*x; x := c/(c+b)
            end not ind;
            c := exp(-h);
            s := betain(x, a, b, loggamma(a) + loggamma(b) - loggamma(a+b),
              eps);
            if h ≠ .0
              then
                begin
                  n := 0; r := h;
lab:          n := n+1;
                  p := betain(x, a+n, b, loggamma(a+n) + loggamma(b)
                    - loggamma(a+n+b), eps);
                  s := s+r*p; r := r*h/(n+1); d := c+h/(n+2);
                  if d > 1.0 then d := 1.0;
                  d := r*p*d;
                  if d > eps then goto lab
                end h ≠ .0;
            nonfob := c*s
          end not (x = .0 or (x = 1.0 and ind))
        end nonfob
      end
    end
  
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computes the value of the natural logarithm of the gamma function for the given argument x ;

betain – real procedure with the following head: **real procedure betain** ($x, p, q, beta, acu$); **value** $x, p, q, beta, acu$; **real** $x, p, q, beta, acu$; this procedure is a combination of those in [1] and [3] and computes the value of the incomplete beta ratio (2), where x is the value of t , p and q are the values of p and q in (2), respectively, $beta$ is the value of the beta function equal to $B(p, q)$ in (2), and acu is the accuracy of the method;

jump – label outside of the procedure body to which a jump is made if $a \leq 0$, or $b \leq 0$, or $h < 0$, or $x < 0$, or $x > 1$ for the non-central beta distribution.

2. Method used. The algorithm is described in [4].

3. Certification. The procedure *nonfob* has been verified on the Odra 1204 computer for many examples described in [2] and [6]. Here are some of them presented as examples (*ind* \equiv **false**, *eps* = 10^{-7}):

$$F(7.778: 14.0, 6.0; 7.0) = .9500036135,$$

$$F(6.811: 2.0, 15.0; 1.0) = .9500050110,$$

$$F(497.973: 18.0, 1.0; 9.0) = .9499983166,$$

$$F(3.297: 12.0, 1000.0; 6.0) = .9499889998,$$

$$F(446.357: 3.0, 1.0; 1.5) = .9500032681.$$

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