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**Description** Computation of second-generation p-values as described in Blume et al. (2018) <[doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0188299](https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0188299)> and Blume et al. (2019) <[doi:10.1080/00031305.2018.149000](https://doi.org/10.1080/00031305.2018.149000)> additional functions which provide power and type I error calculations, create graphs (particularly suited for large-scale inference usage), and a function to estimate false discovery rates based on second-generation p-value inference.

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**fdrisk***False Discovery Risk for Second-Generation p-Values***Description**

This function computes the false discovery risk (sometimes called the "empirical bayes FDR") for a second-generation *p*-value of 0, or the false confirmation risk for a second-generation *p*-value of 1.

**Usage**

```
fdrisk(
  sgpval = 0,
  null.lo,
  null.hi,
  std.err,
  interval.type,
  interval.level,
  pi0 = 0.5,
  null.weights,
  null.space,
  alt.weights,
  alt.space
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>sgpval</code>	The observed second-generation <i>p</i> -value. Default is 0, which gives the false discovery risk.
<code>null.lo</code>	The lower bound of the indifference zone (null interval) upon which the second-generation <i>p</i> -value was based
<code>null.hi</code>	The upper bound for the indifference zone (null interval) upon which the second-generation <i>p</i> -value was based
<code>std.err</code>	Standard error of the point estimate
<code>interval.type</code>	Class of interval estimate used. This determines the functional form of the power function. Options are <code>confidence</code> for a $(1 - \alpha)100\%$ confidence interval and <code>likelihood</code> for a $1/k$ likelihood support interval ( <code>credible</code> not yet supported).
<code>interval.level</code>	Level of interval estimate. If <code>interval.type</code> is <code>confidence</code> , the level is $\alpha$ . If <code>interval.type</code> is <code>likelihood</code> , the level is $1/k$ (not $k$ ).
<code>pi0</code>	Prior probability of the null hypothesis. Default is 0.5.
<code>null.weights</code>	Probability distribution for the null parameter space. Options are currently <code>Point</code> , <code>Uniform</code> , and <code>TruncNormal</code> .
<code>null.space</code>	Support of the null probability distribution. If <code>null.weights</code> is <code>Point</code> , then <code>null.space</code> is a scalar. If <code>null.weights</code> is <code>Uniform</code> , then <code>null.space</code> is a vector of length two.

alt.weights	Probability distribution for the alternative parameter space. Options are currently Point, Uniform, and TruncNormal.
alt.space	Support for the alternative probability distribution. If alt.weights is Point, then alt.space is a scalar. If alt.weights is Uniform, then alt.space is a vector of length two.

## Details

When possible, one should compute the second-generation  $p$ -value and FDR/FCR on a scale that is symmetric about the null hypothesis. For example, if the parameter of interest is an odds ratio, inputs pt.est, std.err, null.lo, null.hi, null.space, and alt.space are typically on the log scale.

If TruncNormal is used for null.weights, then the distribution used is a truncated Normal distribution with mean equal to the midpoint of null.space, and standard deviation equal to std.err, truncated to the support of null.space. If TruncNormal is used for alt.weights, then the distribution used is a truncated Normal distribution with mean equal to the midpoint of alt.space, and standard deviation equal to std.err, truncated to the support of alt.space. Further customization of these parameters for the truncated Normal are currently not possible, although they may be implemented in future versions.

## Value

Numeric scalar representing the False discovery risk (FDR) or false confirmation risk (FCR) for the observed second-generation  $p$ -value. If sgpval = 0, the function returns false discovery risk (FDR). If sgpval = 1, the function returns false confirmation risk (FCR).

## References

- Blume JD, Greevy RA Jr, Welty VF, Smith JR, Dupont WD (2019). An Introduction to Second-generation  $p$ -values. *The American Statistician*. 73:sup1, 157-167, DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1080/00031305.2018.1537893>
- Blume JD, D'Agostino McGowan L, Dupont WD, Greevy RA Jr. (2018). Second-generation  $p$ -values: Improved rigor, reproducibility, & transparency in statistical analyses. *PLoS ONE* 13(3): e0188299. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0188299>

## See Also

`sgpvalue`, `sgpower`, `plotsgpv`

## Examples

```
# false discovery risk with 95% confidence level
fdrisk(sgpval = 0, null.lo = log(1/1.1), null.hi = log(1.1), std.err = 0.8,
       null.weights = 'Uniform', null.space = c(log(1/1.1), log(1.1)),
       alt.weights = 'Uniform', alt.space = 2 + c(-1,1)*qnorm(1-0.05/2)*0.8,
       interval.type = 'confidence', interval.level = 0.05)

# false discovery risk with 1/8 likelihood support level
fdrisk(sgpval = 0, null.lo = log(1/1.1), null.hi = log(1.1), std.err = 0.8,
```

```

null.weights = 'Point', null.space = 0, alt.weights = 'Uniform',
alt.space = 2 + c(-1,1)*qnorm(1-0.041/2)*0.8,
interval.type = 'likelihood', interval.level = 1/8)

## with truncated normal weighting distribution
fdrisk(sgpval = 0, null.lo = log(1/1.1), null.hi = log(1.1), std.err = 0.8,
null.weights = 'Point', null.space = 0, alt.weights = 'TruncNormal',
alt.space = 2 + c(-1,1)*qnorm(1-0.041/2)*0.8,
interval.type = 'likelihood', interval.level = 1/8)

# false discovery risk with LSI and wider null hypothesis
fdrisk(sgpval = 0, null.lo = log(1/1.5), null.hi = log(1.5), std.err = 0.8,
null.weights = 'Point', null.space = 0, alt.weights = 'Uniform',
alt.space = 2.5 + c(-1,1)*qnorm(1-0.041/2)*0.8,
interval.type = 'likelihood', interval.level = 1/8)

# false confirmation risk example
fdrisk(sgpval = 1, null.lo = log(1/1.5), null.hi = log(1.5), std.err = 0.15,
null.weights = 'Uniform', null.space = 0.01 + c(-1,1)*qnorm(1-0.041/2)*0.15,
alt.weights = 'Uniform', alt.space = c(log(1.5), 1.25*log(1.5)),
interval.type = 'likelihood', interval.level = 1/8)

```

leukstats

*Test Statistics from Gloub (1999) Leukemia data set*

## Description

Data are from 7218 gene specific t-tests for a difference in mean expression (on the log scale; AML versus ALL) in the Gloub data set (1999). Data are from 72 patients using a pooled t-test ( $df=70$ ). Included in the dataframe are the following: t-statistic (t.stat), p-value (p.value), CI lower limit (ci.lo), CI upper limit (ci.hi), estimate (estimate), standard error (se).

## Usage

```
data(leukstats)
```

## Format

An object of class `data.frame`. Includes the following: t-statistic (t.stat), p-value (p.value), CI lower limit (ci.lo), CI upper limit (ci.hi), estimate (estimate), standard error (se).

## Source

[https://github.com/ramhiser/datamicroarray/wiki/Golub-\(1999\)](https://github.com/ramhiser/datamicroarray/wiki/Golub-(1999))

## References

Gloub (1999) and used in Blume et. al. (2018) PlosONE.

Blume JD, D'Agostino McGowan L, Dupont WD, Greevy RA Jr. (2018). Second-generation *p*-values: Improved rigor, reproducibility, & transparency in statistical analyses. *PLoS ONE* 13(3): e0188299. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0188299>

## Examples

```
data(leukstats)
order(leukstats$p.value)
```

plotsgpv

*Second-Generation p-Value Plotting*

## Description

This function displays user supplied interval estimates (support intervals, confidence intervals, credible intervals, etc.) according to its associated second-generation *p*-value ranking.

## Usage

```
plotsgpv(
  est.lo,
  est.hi,
  null.lo,
  null.hi,
  set.order = "sgpv",
  x.show = NA,
  null.col = rgb(208, 216, 232, maxColorValue = 255),
  int.col = c("cornflowerblue", "firebrick3", "darkslateblue"),
  int.pch = NA,
  int.cex = 0.4,
  plot.axis = c(TRUE, TRUE),
  null.pt = NA,
  outline.zone = TRUE,
  title.lab = "Title",
  x.lab = "Position (by set.order)",
  y.lab = "Outcome label",
  legend.on = TRUE
)
```

## Arguments

est.lo	A numeric vector of lower bounds of interval estimates. Values must be finite for interval to be drawn. Must be of same length as est.hi.
est.hi	A numeric vector of upper bounds of interval estimates. Values must be finite for interval to be drawn. Must be of same length as est.lo.

null.lo	A scalar representing the lower bound of null interval (indifference zone). Value must be finite.
null.hi	A scalar representing the upper bound of null interval (indifference zone). Value must be finite.
set.order	A numeric vector giving the desired order along the x-axis. If set.order is set to sgpv, the second-generation <i>p</i> -value ranking is used. If set.order is set to NA, the original input ordering is used.
x.show	A scalar representing the maximum ranking on the x-axis that is displayed. Default is to display all intervals.
null.col	Coloring of the null interval (indifference zone). Default is Hawkes Blue: <code>rgb(208, 216, 232, maxColorValue)</code> .
int.col	Coloring of the intervals according to SGPV ranking. Default is <code>c("cornflowerblue", "firebrick3", "#d95f36")</code> , for SGPs of 0, in (0, 1), and 1 respectively.
int.pch	Plotting symbol for interval endpoints. Default is NA, no symbol. Use 16 for small endpoints.
int.cex	Size of plotting symbol for interval endpoints. Default is 0.4.
plot.axis	Toggle for default axis plotting. Default is <code>c(TRUE, TRUE)</code> for ( <i>x</i> – axis, <i>y</i> – axis) respectively.
null.pt	A scalar representing a point null hypothesis. Default is NA. If set, the function will draw a horizontal dashed black line at this location.
outline.zone	Toggle for drawing a slim white outline around the null zone. Helpful visual aid when plotting many intervals. Default is TRUE.
title.lab	Title text.
x.lab	x-axis label.
y.lab	y-axis label.
legend.on	Toggle for plotting the legend. Default is TRUE.

## Details

Use set.order to provide the classical p-value ranking. For example, if pvalue.vector is a vector of classical p-values, then set set.order=order(pvalue.vector) to sort the x-axis according to p-value rank.

Interval estimates with infinite or undefined limits should be manually truncated or avoided altogether. While the sgpvalue funciton will handle these cases, this function assumes they have been truncated or removed because there is no standard way to plot them.

## References

- Blume JD, Greevy RA Jr., Welty VF, Smith JR, Dupont WD (2019). An Introduction to Second-generation *p*-values. *The American Statistician*. 73:sup1, 157-167, DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1080/00031305.2018.1537893>
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**See Also**

[sgpvalue](#), [sgpower](#), [fdrisk](#)

**Examples**

```
# Use leukstats data
data(leukstats)
plotsgpv(est.lo=leukstats$ci.lo, est.hi=leukstats$ci.hi,
null.lo=-0.3, null.hi=0.3,
set.order=order(leukstats$p.value),
x.show=7000,
plot.axis=c("TRUE","FALSE"),
null.pt=0, outline.zone=TRUE,
title.lab="Leukemia Example", y.lab="Fold Change (base 10)",
x.lab="Classical p-value ranking",
legend.on=TRUE)
axis(side=2,at=round(log(c(1/1000,1/100,1/10,1/2,1,2,10,100,1000),
base=10),2),labels=c("1/1000","1/100","1/10","1/2",1,2,10,100,1000),
las=2)
```

**Description**

Calculate power and type I error values from significance testing based on second-generation p-values as the inferential metric.

**Usage**

```
sgpower(true, null.lo, null.hi, std.err = 1, interval.type, interval.level)
```

**Arguments**

true	The true value for the parameter of interest at which to calculate power. Note that this is on the absolute scale of the parameter, and not the standard deviation or standard error scale.
null.lo	The lower bound of the indifference zone (null interval) upon which the second-generation p-value is based
null.hi	The upper bound for the indifference zone (null interval) upon which the second-generation p-value is based
std.err	Standard error for the distribution of the estimator for the parameter of interest. Note that this is the standard deviation for the estimator, not the standard deviation parameter for the data itself. This will be a function of the sample size(s).

- `interval.type` Class of interval estimate used for calculating the SGPV. Options are `confidence` for a  $(1 - \alpha)100\%$  confidence interval and `likelihood` for a  $1/k$  likelihood support interval (`credible` not yet supported)
- `interval.level` Level of interval estimate. If `interval.type` is `confidence`, the level is  $\alpha$ . If `interval.type` is `likelihood`, the level is  $1/k$  (not  $k$ ).

## Value

A list containing the following components:

- `power.alt` Probability of SGPV = 0 calculated assuming the parameter is equal to true. That is,  $\text{power.alt} = P(\text{SGPV} = 0 | \theta = \text{true})$ .
- `power.inc` Probability of  $0 < \text{SGPV} < 1$  calculated assuming the parameter is equal to true. That is,  $\text{power.inc} = P(0 < \text{SGPV} < 1 | \theta = \text{true})$ .
- `power.null` Probability of SGPV = 1 calculated assuming the parameter is equal to true. That is,  $\text{power.null} = P(\text{SGPV} = 1 | \theta = \text{true})$ .
- 'type I error summaries' Named vector that includes different ways the type I error may be summarized for an interval null hypothesis. `min` is the minimum type I error over the range (`null.lo`, `null.hi`), which occurs at the midpoint of (`null.lo`, `null.hi`). `max` is the maximum type I error over the range (`null.lo`, `null.hi`), which occurs at the boundaries of the null hypothesis, `null.lo` and `null.hi`. `mean` is the average type I error (unweighted) over the range (`null.lo`, `null.hi`). If 0 is included in the null hypothesis region, then `type I error summaries` also contains at 0, the type I error calculated assuming the true parameter value  $\theta$  is equal to 0.

## References

- Blume JD, Greevy RA Jr., Welty VF, Smith JR, Dupont WD (2019). An Introduction to Second-generation *p*-values. *The American Statistician*. 73:sup1, 157-167, DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1080/00031305.2018.1537893>
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## See Also

[fdrisk](#), [sgpvalue](#), [plotsgpv](#)

## Examples

```
sgpower(true=2, null.lo=-1, null.hi=1, std.err=1, interval.type='confidence',
'interval.level'=0.05)

sgpower(true=0, null.lo=-1, null.hi=1, std.err=1, interval.type='confidence',
'interval.level'=0.05)

# plot the power curve
sigma = 5
n = 20
theta = seq(-10, 10, by=0.1)
```

```
power = sgpower(true=theta, null.lo=-1, null.hi=1, std.err=sigma/sqrt(n),
  interval.type='confidence', interval.level=0.05)$power.alt
plot(theta, power, type='l', ylab='power')
```

**sgpvalue***Second-Generation p-Values***Description**

This function computes the second-generation *p*-value (SGPV) and its associated delta gaps, as introduced in Blume et al. (2018).

**Usage**

```
sgpvalue(
  est.lo,
  est.hi,
  null.lo,
  null.hi,
  inf.correction = 1e-05,
  warnings = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>est.lo</code>	A numeric vector of lower bounds of interval estimates. Values may be finite or -Inf or Inf. Must be of same length as <code>est.hi</code> .
<code>est.hi</code>	A numeric vector of upper bounds of interval estimates. Values may be finite or -Inf or Inf. Must be of same length as <code>est.lo</code> .
<code>null.lo</code>	A numeric vector of lower bounds of null intervals. Values may be finite or -Inf or Inf. Must be of same length as <code>null.hi</code> .
<code>null.hi</code>	A numeric vector of upper bounds of null intervals. Values may be finite or -Inf or Inf. Must be of same length as <code>null.lo</code> .
<code>inf.correction</code>	A small scalar to denote a positive but infinitesimally small SGPV. Default is 1e-5. SGPVs that are infinitesimally close to 1 are assigned <code>1-inf.correction</code> . This option can only be invoked when one of the intervals has infinite length.
<code>warnings</code>	Warnings toggle. Warnings are on by default.

**Details**

Values of NA or NaN for `est.lo`, `est.hi`, `null.lo`, or `null.hi` will yield a warning and result in a SGPV of NA or NaN.

When `null.hi` and `null.lo` are of length 1, the same null interval is used for every interval estimate of  $[est.lo, est.hi]$ . If `null.hi` is not of length 1, its length must match that of `est.hi`.

When possible, one should compute the second-generation *p*-value on a scale that is symmetric about the null hypothesis. For example, if the parameter of interest is an odds ratio, computations are typically done on the log scale. This keeps the magnitude of positive and negative delta-gaps comparable. Also, recall that the delta-gaps magnitude is not comparable across different null intervals.

### Value

A list containing the following components:

`p.delta` Vector of second-generation p-values

`delta.gap` Vector of delta-gaps. Reported as NA when the corresponding second-generation *p*-value is not zero.

### References

- Blume JD, Greevy RA Jr., Welty VF, Smith JR, Dupont WD (2019). An Introduction to Second-generation *p*-values. *The American Statistician*. 73:sup1, 157-167, DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1080/00031305.2018.1537893>
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### See Also

[fdrisk](#), [sgpower](#), [plotsgpv](#)

### Examples

```
## Simple example for three estimated log odds ratios but the same null interval
lb <- c(log(1.05), log(1.3), log(0.97))
ub <- c(log(1.8), log(1.8), log(1.02))
sgpv <- sgpvalue(est.lo = lb, est.hi = ub, null.lo = log(1/1.1), null.hi = log(1.1))
sgpv$p.delta

sgpv$delta.gap

## Works with infinite interval bounds
sgpvalue(est.lo = log(1.3), est.hi = Inf, null.lo = -Inf, null.hi = log(1.1))

sgpvalue(est.lo = log(1.05), est.hi = Inf, null.lo = -Inf, null.hi = log(1.1))

## Example t-test with simulated data
set.seed(1776)
x1 <- rnorm(15,mean=0,sd=2) ; x2 <- rnorm(15,mean=3,sd=2)
ci <- t.test(x1,x2)$conf.int[1:2]
sgpvalue(est.lo = ci[1], est.hi = ci[2], null.lo = -1, null.hi = 1)
```

```
set.seed(2019)
x1 <- rnorm(15,mean=0,sd=2) ; x2 <- rnorm(15,mean=3,sd=2)
ci <- t.test(x1,x2)$conf.int[1:2]
sgpvalue(est.lo = ci[1], est.hi = ci[2], null.lo = -1, null.hi = 1)

## Simulated two-group dichotomous data for different parameters
set.seed(1492)
n1 <- n2 <- 30
x1 <- rbinom(1,size=n1,p=0.15) ; x2 <- rbinom(1,size=n2,p=0.50)

# On the difference in proportions
ci.p <- prop.test(c(x1,x2),n=c(n1,n2))$conf.int[1:2]
sgpvalue(est.lo = ci.p[1], est.hi = ci.p[2], null.lo = -0.2, null.hi = 0.2)

# On the log odds ratio scale
a <- x1 ; b <- x2 ; c <- n1-x1 ; d <- n2-x2
ci.or <- log(a*d/(b*c)) + c(-1,1)*1.96*sqrt(1/a+1/b+1/c+1/d) # Delta-method SE for log odds ratio
sgpvalue(est.lo = ci.or[1], est.hi = ci.or[2], null.lo = log(1/1.5), null.hi = log(1.5))
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