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as\_rvine\_structure

Coerce various kind of objects to R-vine structures and matrices

# Description

as\_rvine\_structure and as\_rvine\_matrix are new S3 generics allowing to coerce objects into R-vine structures and matrices (see rvine\_structure() and rvine\_matrix()).

# Usage

```
as_rvine_structure(x, ...)
as_rvine_matrix(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'rvine_structure'
as_rvine_structure(x, ..., validate = FALSE)
## S3 method for class 'rvine_structure'
```

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```
as_rvine_matrix(x, ..., validate = FALSE)

## S3 method for class 'list'
as_rvine_structure(x, ..., is_natural_order = FALSE)

## S3 method for class 'list'
as_rvine_matrix(x, ..., is_natural_order = FALSE)

## S3 method for class 'rvine_matrix'
as_rvine_structure(x, ..., validate = FALSE)

## S3 method for class 'rvine_matrix'
as_rvine_matrix(x, ..., validate = FALSE)

## S3 method for class 'matrix'
as_rvine_structure(x, ..., validate = TRUE)

## S3 method for class 'matrix'
as_rvine_matrix(x, ..., validate = TRUE)
```

#### **Arguments**

x An object of class rvine\_structure, rvine\_matrix, matrix or list that can

be coerced into an R-vine structure or R-vine matrix (see *Details*).

Other arguments passed on to individual methods.

validate

When 'TRUE", verifies that the input is a valid rvine-structure (see *Details*). You may want to suppress this when you know that you already have a valid structure and you want to save some time, or to explicitly enable it if you have a structure that you want to re-check.

is\_natural\_order

A flag indicating whether the struct\_array element of x is assumed to be provided in natural order already (a structure is in natural order if the anti-diagonal is 1, ..., d from bottom left to top right).

#### **Details**

The coercion to rvine\_structure and rvine\_matrix can be applied to different kind of objects Currently, rvine\_structure, rvine\_matrix, matrix and list are supported.

For as\_rvine\_structure:

- rvine\_structure : the main use case is to re-check an object via validate = TRUE.
- rvine\_matrix and matrix: allow to coerce matrices into R-vine structures (see rvine\_structure() for more details). The main difference between rvine\_matrix and matrix is the nature of the validity checks.
- list: must contain named elements order and struct\_array to be coerced into an R-vine structure (see rvine\_structure() for more details).

For as\_rvine\_matrix:

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rvine\_structure: allow to coerce an rvine\_structure into an R-vine matrix (useful e.g. for printing).

- rvine\_matrix: similar to as\_rvine\_structure for rvine\_structure, the main use case is to re-check an object via validate = TRUE.
- matrix: allow to coerce matrices into R-vine matrices (mainly by checking that the matrix defines a valid R-vine, see <a href="rvine\_matrix">rvine\_matrix</a>() for more details).
- list: must contain named elements order and struct\_array to be coerced into an R-vine matrix (see rvine\_structure() for more details).

#### Value

Either an object of class rvine\_structure or of class rvine\_matrix (see rvine\_structure() or rvine\_matrix()).

#### See Also

rvine\_structure rvine\_matrix

```
# R-vine structures can be constructed from the order vector and struct_array
rvine_structure(order = 1:4, struct_array = list(
  c(4, 4, 4),
  c(3, 3),
  2
))
# ... or a similar list can be coerced into an R-vine structure
as_rvine_structure(list(order = 1:4, struct_array = list(
  c(4, 4, 4),
  c(3, 3),
  2
)))
# similarly, standard matrices can be coerced into R-vine structures
mat \leftarrow matrix(c(4, 3, 2, 1, 4, 3, 2, 0, 4, 3, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0), 4, 4)
as_rvine_structure(mat)
# or truncate and construct the structure
mat[3, 1] <- 0
as_rvine_structure(mat)
# throws an error
mat[3, 1] <- 5
try(as_rvine_structure(mat))
```

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bicop

Fit and select bivariate copula models

# Description

Fit a bivariate copula model for continuous or discrete data. The family can be selected automatically from a vector of options.

# Usage

```
bicop(
  data,
  var_types = c("c", "c"),
  family_set = "all",
  par_method = "mle",
  nonpar_method = "quadratic",
  mult = 1,
  selcrit = "aic",
  weights = numeric(),
  psi0 = 0.9,
  presel = TRUE,
  keep_data = FALSE,
  cores = 1
)
```

## **Arguments**

data	a matrix or data.frame with at least two columns, containing the (pseudo-)observations for the two variables (copula data should have approximately uniform margins). More columns are required for discrete models, see <i>Details</i> .
var_types	variable types, a length 2 vector; e.g., c("c", "c") for both continuous (default), or c("c", "d") for first variable continuous and second discrete.
family_set	a character vector of families; see Details for additional options.
par_method	the estimation method for parametric models, either "mle" for maximum likelihood or "itau" for inversion of Kendall's tau (only available for one-parameter families and "t".
nonpar_method	the estimation method for nonparametric models, either "constant" for the standard transformation estimator, or "linear"/"quadratic" for the local-likelihood approximations of order one/two.
mult	multiplier for the smoothing parameters of nonparametric families. Values larger than 1 make the estimate more smooth, values less than 1 less smooth.
selcrit	criterion for family selection, either "loglik", "aic", "bic", "mbic". For vinecop() there is the additional option "mbicv".
weights	optional vector of weights for each observation.
psi0	see mBICV().

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presel whether the family set should be thinned out according to symmetry characteristics of the data.

keep\_data whether the data should be stored (necessary for using fitted()).

cores number of cores to use; if more than 1, estimation for multiple families is done in parallel.

#### **Details**

If there are missing data (i.e., NA entries), incomplete observations are discarded before fitting the copula.

#### Discrete variables:

When at least one variable is discrete, more than two columns are required for data: the first  $n \times 2$  block contains realizations of  $F_{X_1}(x_1)$ ,  $F_{X_2}(x_2)$ . The second  $n \times 2$  block contains realizations of  $F_{X_1}(x_1^-)$ ,  $F_{X_1}(x_1^-)$ . The minus indicates a left-sided limit of the cdf. For, e.g., an integer-valued variable, it holds  $F_{X_1}(x_1^-) = F_{X_1}(x_1 - 1)$ . For continuous variables the left limit and the cdf itself coincide. Respective columns can be omitted in the second block.

#### **Family collections:**

The family\_set argument accepts all families in bicop\_dist() plus the following convenience definitions:

- "all" contains all the families.
- "parametric" contains the parametric families (all except "tll"),
- "nonparametric" contains the nonparametric families ("indep" and "tll")
- "onepar" contains the parametric families with a single parameter,

("gaussian", "clayton", "gumbel", "frank", and "joe"),

- "twopar" contains the parametric families with two parameters ("t", "bb1", "bb6", "bb7", and "bb8"),
- "elliptical" contains the elliptical families,
- "archimedean" contains the archimedean families,
- "BB" contains the BB families,
- "itau" families for which estimation by Kendall's tau inversion is available ("indep", "gaussian", "t", "clayton", "gumbel", "frank", "joe").

#### Value

An object inheriting from classes bicop and bicop\_dist. In addition to the entries contained in bicop\_dist(), objects from the bicop class contain:

- data (optionally, if keep\_data = TRUE was used), the dataset that was passed to bicop().
- controls, a list with the set of fit controls that was passed to bicop().
- loglik the log-likelihood.
- nobs, an integer with the number of observations that was used to fit the model.

#### See Also

bicop\_dist(), plot.bicop(), contour.bicop(), dbicop(), pbicop(), hbicop(), rbicop()

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#### **Examples**

```
## fitting a continuous model from simulated data
u <- rbicop(100, "clayton", 90, 3)
fit <- bicop(u, family_set = "par")
summary(fit)

## compare fit with true model
contour(fit)
contour(bicop_dist("clayton", 90, 3), col = 2, add = TRUE)

## fit a model from discrete data
x_disc <- qpois(u, 1) # transform to Poisson margins
plot(x_disc)
udisc <- cbind(ppois(x_disc, 1), ppois(x_disc - 1, 1))
fit_disc <- bicop(udisc, var_types = c("d", "d"))
summary(fit_disc)</pre>
```

bicop\_dist

Bivariate copula models

## **Description**

Create custom bivariate copula models by specifying the family, rotation, parameters, and variable types.

### Usage

```
bicop_dist(
  family = "indep",
  rotation = 0,
  parameters = numeric(0),
  var_types = c("c", "c")
)
```

# Arguments

the copula family, a string containing the family name (see *Details* for all possible families).

rotation the rotation of the copula, one of 0, 90, 180, 270.

parameters a vector or matrix of copula parameters.

var\_types variable types, a length 2 vector; e.g., c("c", "c") for both continuous (default), or c("c", "d") for first variable continuous and second discrete.

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## **Details**

#### **Implemented families:**

type	name	name in R
=	Independence	"indep"
Elliptical	Gaussian	"gaussian"
"	Student t	"student"
Archimedean	Clayton	"clayton"
"	Gumbel	"gumbel"
"	Frank	"frank"
"	Joe	"joe"
"	Clayton-Gumbel (BB1)	"bb1"
"	Joe-Gumbel (BB6)	"bb6"
"	Joe-Clayton (BB7)	"bb7"
"	Joe-Frank (BB8)	"bb8"
Nonparametric	Transformation kernel	"t11"

#### Value

An object of class bicop\_dist, i.e., a list containing:

- family, a character indicating the copula family.
- rotation, an integer indicating the rotation (i.e., either 0, 90, 180, or 270).
- parameters, a numeric vector or matrix of parameters.
- npars, a numeric with the (effective) number of parameters.
- var\_types, the variable types.

#### See Also

```
bicop_dist(), plot.bicop(), contour.bicop(), dbicop(), pbicop(), hbicop(), rbicop()
```

```
## Clayton 90° copula with parameter 3
cop <- bicop_dist("clayton", 90, 3)
cop
str(cop)

## visualization
plot(cop)
contour(cop)
plot(rbicop(200, cop))

## BB8 copula model for discrete data
cop_disc <- bicop_dist("bb8", 0, c(2, 0.5), var_types = c("d", "d"))
cop_disc</pre>
```

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bicop\_distributions Bivariate copula distributions

# Description

Density, distribution function, random generation and h-functions (with their inverses) for the bivariate copula distribution.

# Usage

```
dbicop(u, family, rotation, parameters, var_types = c("c", "c"))
pbicop(u, family, rotation, parameters, var_types = c("c", "c"))
rbicop(n, family, rotation, parameters, qrng = FALSE)
hbicop(
    u,
    cond_var,
    family,
    rotation,
    parameters,
    inverse = FALSE,
    var_types = c("c", "c")
)
```

# Arguments

u	evaluation points, a matrix with at least two columns, see Details.
family	the copula family, a string containing the family name (see bicop for all possible families).
rotation	the rotation of the copula, one of 0, 90, 180, 270.
parameters	a vector or matrix of copula parameters.
var_types	variable types, a length 2 vector; e.g., $c("c", "c")$ for both continuous (default), or $c("c", "d")$ for first variable continuous and second discrete.
n	number of observations. If 'length(n) $> 1$ ", the length is taken to be the number required.
qrng	if TRUE, generates quasi-random numbers using the bivariate Generalized Halton sequence (default qrng = FALSE).
cond_var	either 1 or 2; cond_var = 1 conditions on the first variable, cond_var = 2 on the second.
inverse	whether to compute the h-function or its inverse.

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#### **Details**

See bicop for the various implemented copula families.

The copula density is defined as joint density divided by marginal densities, irrespective of variable types.

H-functions (hbicop()) are conditional distributions derived from a copula. If  $C(u,v) = P(U \le u, V \le v)$  is a copula, then

$$h_1(u, v) = P(V \le v | U = u) = \partial C(u, v) / \partial u,$$
  
 $h_2(u, v) = P(U \le u | V = v) = \partial C(u, v) / \partial v.$ 

In other words, the H-function number refers to the conditioning variable. When inverting H-functions, the inverse is then taken with respect to the other variable, that is v when cond\_var = 1 and u when cond\_var = 2.

#### Discrete variables:

When at least one variable is discrete, more than two columns are required for u: the first  $n \times 2$  block contains realizations of  $F_{X_1}(x_1), F_{X_2}(x_2)$ . The second  $n \times 2$  block contains realizations of  $F_{X_1}(x_1^-), F_{X_1}(x_1^-)$ . The minus indicates a left-sided limit of the cdf. For, e.g., an integer-valued variable, it holds  $F_{X_1}(x_1^-) = F_{X_1}(x_1 - 1)$ . For continuous variables the left limit and the cdf itself coincide. Respective columns can be omitted in the second block.

#### Value

dbicop() gives the density, pbicop() gives the distribution function, rbicop() generates random deviates, and hbicop() gives the h-functions (and their inverses).

The length of the result is determined by n for rbicop(), and the number of rows in u for the other functions.

The numerical arguments other than n are recycled to the length of the result.

#### Note

The functions can optionally be used with a bicop\_dist object, e.g.,  $dbicop(c(0.1, 0.5), bicop_dist("indep"))$ .

#### See Also

```
bicop_dist(), bicop()
```

```
## evaluate the copula density
dbicop(c(0.1, 0.2), "clay", 90, 3)
dbicop(c(0.1, 0.2), bicop_dist("clay", 90, 3))
## evaluate the copula cdf
pbicop(c(0.1, 0.2), "clay", 90, 3)
## simulate data
plot(rbicop(500, "clay", 90, 3))
```

```
## h-functions
joe_cop <- bicop_dist("joe", 0, 3)
# h_1(0.1, 0.2)
hbicop(c(0.1, 0.2), 1, "bb8", 0, c(2, 0.5))
# h_2^{-1}(0.1, 0.2)
hbicop(c(0.1, 0.2), 2, joe_cop, inverse = TRUE)

## mixed discrete and continuous data
x <- cbind(rpois(10, 1), rnorm(10, 1))
u <- cbind(ppois(x[, 1], 1), pnorm(x[, 2]), ppois(x[, 1] - 1, 1))
pbicop(u, "clay", 90, 3, var_types = c("d", "c"))</pre>
```

bicop\_predict\_and\_fitted

Predictions and fitted values for a bivariate copula model

## **Description**

Predictions of the density, distribution function, h-functions (with their inverses) for a bivariate copula model.

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'bicop_dist'
predict(object, newdata, what = "pdf", ...)
## S3 method for class 'bicop'
fitted(object, what = "pdf", ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

```
object a bicop object.

newdata points where the fit shall be evaluated.

what what to predict, one of "pdf", "cdf", "hfunc1", "hfunc2", "hinv1", "hinv2".

... unused.
```

#### **Details**

fitted() can only be called if the model was fit with the keep\_data = TRUE option.

#### Discrete variables:

When at least one variable is discrete, more than two columns are required for newdata: the first  $n \times 2$  block contains realizations of  $F_{X_1}(x_1), F_{X_2}(x_2)$ . The second  $n \times 2$  block contains realizations of  $F_{X_1}(x_1^-), F_{X_1}(x_1^-)$ . The minus indicates a left-sided limit of the cdf. For, e.g., an integer-valued variable, it holds  $F_{X_1}(x_1^-) = F_{X_1}(x_1 - 1)$ . For continuous variables the left limit and the cdf itself coincide. Respective columns can be omitted in the second block.

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#### Value

fitted() and logLik() have return values similar to dbicop(), pbicop(), and hbicop().

#### **Examples**

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Extracts components of bicop\_dist and vinecop\_dist objects

#### **Description**

Extracts either the structure matrix (for vinecop\_dist only), or pair-copulas, their parameters, Kendall's taus, or families (for bicop\_dist and vinecop\_dist).

## Usage

```
get_structure(object)
get_pair_copula(object, tree = NA, edge = NA)
get_parameters(object, tree = NA, edge = NA)
get_ktau(object, tree = NA, edge = NA)
get_family(object, tree = NA, edge = NA)
get_all_pair_copulas(object, trees = NA)
get_all_parameters(object, trees = NA)
get_all_ktaus(object, trees = NA)
get_all_families(object, trees = NA)
```

#### **Arguments**

```
object a bicop_dist, vinecop_dist or vine_dist object.

tree tree index (not required if object is of class bicop_dist).

edge edge index (not required if object is of class bicop_dist).

trees the trees to extract from object (trees = NA extracts all trees).
```

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#### **Details**

#' The get\_structure method (for vinecop\_dist or vine\_dist objects only) extracts the structure (see rvine\_structure for more details).

The get\_matrix method (for vinecop\_dist or vine\_dist objects only) extracts the structure matrix (see rvine\_structure for more details).

The other get\_xyz methods for vinecop\_dist or vine\_dist objects return the entries corresponding to the pair-copula indexed by its tree and edge. When object is of class bicop\_dist, tree and edge are not required.

- get\_pair\_copula() = the pair-copula itself (see bicop).
- get\_parameters() = the parameters of the pair-copula (i.e., a numeric scalar, vector, or matrix).
- get\_family() = a character for the family (see bicop for implemented families).
- get\_ktau() = a numeric scalar with the pair-copula Kendall's tau.

The get\_all\_xyz methods (for vinecop\_dist or vine\_dist objects only) return lists of lists, with each element corresponding to a tree in trees, and then elements of the sublists correspond to edges. The returned lists have two additional attributes:

- "d" = the dimension of the model.
- "trees" = the extracted trees.

#### Value

The structure matrix, or pair-copulas, their parameters, Kendall's taus, or families.

```
# specify pair-copulas
bicop <- bicop_dist("bb1", 90, c(3, 2))
pcs <- list(
    list(bicop, bicop), # pair-copulas in first tree
    list(bicop) # pair-copulas in second tree
)

# specify R-vine matrix
mat <- matrix(c(1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 0, 1, 0, 0), 3, 3)

# set up vine copula model
vc <- vinecop_dist(pcs, mat)

# get the structure
get_structure(vc)
all(get_matrix(vc) == mat)

# get pair-copulas
get_pair_copula(vc, 1, 1)
get_all_pair_copulas(vc)</pre>
```

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mBICV

Modified vine copula Bayesian information criterion (mBICv)

#### **Description**

Calculates the modified vine copula Bayesian information criterion.

#### Usage

```
mBICV(object, psi0 = 0.9, newdata = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

object a fitted vinecop object.

psi0 baseline prior probability of a non-independence copula.

newdata optional; a new data set.

#### **Details**

The modified vine copula Bayesian information criterion (mBICv) is defined as

$$BIC = -2loglik + \nu log(n) - 2\sum_{t=1}^{d-1} (q_t log(\psi_0^t) - (d - t - q_t)log(1 - \psi_0^t))$$

where loglik is the log-likelihood and  $\nu$  is the (effective) number of parameters of the model, t is the tree level  $\psi_0$  is the prior probability of having a non-independence copula and  $q_t$  is the number of non-independence copulas in tree t. The mBICv is a consistent model selection criterion for parametric sparse vine copula models.

#### References

Nagler, T., Bumann, C., Czado, C. (2019). Model selection for sparse high-dimensional vine copulas with application to portfolio risk. *Journal of Multivariate Analysis, in press* (https://arxiv.org/pdf/1801.09739.pdf)

```
u <- sapply(1:5, function(i) runif(50)) fit <- vinecop(u, family = "par", keep_data = TRUE) mBICV(fit, 0.9) # with a 0.9 prior probability of a non-independence copula mBICV(fit, 0.1) # with a 0.1 prior probability of a non-independence copula
```

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pairs_copula_data	Exploratory pairs plot for copula data	
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# Description

This function provides pair plots for copula data. It shows bivariate contour plots on the lower panel, scatter plots and correlations on the upper panel and histograms on the diagonal panel.

## Usage

```
pairs_copula_data(data, ...)
```

# Arguments

# Examples

```
u <- replicate(3, runif(100))
pairs_copula_data(u)</pre>
```

par\_to\_ktau

Conversion between Kendall's tau and parameters

# **Description**

Conversion between Kendall's tau and parameters

## Usage

```
par_to_ktau(family, rotation, parameters)
ktau_to_par(family, tau)
```

#### **Arguments**

family a copula family (see bicop\_dist()) or a bicop\_dist object.

rotation the rotation of the copula, one of 0, 90, 180, 270.

parameters vector or matrix of copula parameters, not used when family is a bicop\_dist

object.

tau Kendall's  $\tau$ .

plot.bicop\_dist

#### **Examples**

```
# the following are equivalent
par_to_ktau(bicop_dist("clayton", 0, 3))
par_to_ktau("clayton", 0, 3)
ktau_to_par("clayton", 0.5)
ktau_to_par(bicop_dist("clayton", 0, 3), 0.5)
```

plot.bicop\_dist

Plotting tools for bicop\_dist and bicop objects

## **Description**

There are several options for plotting bicop\_dist objects. The density of a bivariate copula density can be visualized as surface/perspective or contour plot. Optionally, the density can be coupled with standard normal margins (default for contour plots).

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'bicop_dist'
plot(x, type = "surface", margins, size, ...)
## S3 method for class 'bicop'
plot(x, type = "surface", margins, size, ...)
## S3 method for class 'bicop_dist'
contour(x, margins = "norm", size = 100L, ...)
## S3 method for class 'bicop'
contour(x, margins = "norm", size = 100L, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

x	bicop_dist object.
type	plot type; either "surface" or "contour".
margins	options are: "unif" for the original copula density, "norm" for the transformed density with standard normal margins, "exp" with standard exponential margins, and "flexp" with flipped exponential margins. Default is "norm" for type = "contour", and "unif" for type = "surface".
size	integer; the plot is based on values on a size x size grid, default is 100.
	optional arguments passed to contour or wireframe.

#### See Also

```
bicop_dist(), graphics::contour(), wireframe()
```

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#### **Examples**

```
## construct bicop_dist object for a student t copula
obj <- bicop_dist(family = "t", rotation = 0, parameters = c(0.7, 4))
## plots
plot(obj) # surface plot of copula density
contour(obj) # contour plot with standard normal margins
contour(obj, margins = "unif") # contour plot of copula density</pre>
```

```
plot.rvine_structure Plotting R-vine structures
```

## **Description**

Plot one or all trees of an R-vine structure.

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'rvine_structure'
plot(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'rvine_matrix'
plot(x, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

```
x an rvine_structure or rvine_matrix object.... passed to plot.vinecop_dist().
```

```
plot(cvine_structure(1:5))
plot(rvine_structure_sim(5))
mat <- rbind(c(1, 1, 1), c(2, 2, 0), c(3, 0, 0))
plot(rvine_matrix(mat))
plot(rvine_matrix_sim(5))</pre>
```

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plot.vinecop\_dist

Plotting vinecop\_dist and vinecop objects.

#### **Description**

There are two plotting generics for vinecop\_dist objects. plot.vinecop\_dist plots one or all trees of a given R-vine copula model. Edges can be labeled with information about the corresponding pair-copula. contour.vinecop\_dist produces a matrix of contour plots (using plot.bicop).

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'vinecop_dist'
plot(x, tree = 1, var_names = "ignore", edge_labels = NULL, ...)
## S3 method for class 'vinecop'
plot(x, tree = 1, var_names = "ignore", edge_labels = NULL, ...)
## S3 method for class 'vinecop_dist'
contour(x, tree = "ALL", cex.nums = 1, ...)
## S3 method for class 'vinecop'
contour(x, tree = "ALL", cex.nums = 1, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

vinecop\_dist object. Х "ALL" or integer vector; specifies which trees are plotted. tree var\_names integer; specifies how to make use of variable names: • "ignore" = variable names are ignored, • "use" = variable names are used to annotate vertices, • "legend" = uses numbers in plot and adds a legend for variable names, • "hide" = no numbers or names, just the node. edge\_labels character; options are: • "family" = pair-copula family (see [bicop\_dist()]), • "tau"" = pair-copula Kendall's tau • "family tau" = pair-copula family and Kendall's tau, • "pair" = the name of the involved variables. Unused for plot and passed to contour. bicop for contour. numeric; expansion factor for font of the numbers. cex.nums

#### **Details**

If you want the contour boxes to be perfect squares, the plot height should be 1.25/length(tree)\*(d - min(tree)) times the plot width.

The plot() method returns an object that (among other things) contains the igraph representation of the graph; see *Examples*.

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#### See Also

```
vinecop_dist, plot.bicop
```

#### **Examples**

```
# set up vine copula model
u \leftarrow matrix(runif(20 * 10), 20, 10)
vc <- vinecop(u, family = "indep")</pre>
# plot
plot(vc, tree = c(1, 2))
plot(vc, edge_labels = "pair")
# extract igraph representation
plt <- plot(vc, edge_labels = "family_tau")</pre>
igr_obj <- get("g", plt$plot_env)[[1]]</pre>
igr_obj # print object
igraph::E(igr_obj)$name # extract edge labels
# set up another vine copula model
pcs <- lapply(1:3, function(j) # pair-copulas in tree j</pre>
  lapply(runif(4 - j), function(cor) bicop_dist("gaussian", 0, cor)))
mat <- rvine_matrix_sim(4)</pre>
vc <- vinecop_dist(pcs, mat)</pre>
# contour plot
contour(vc)
```

pseudo\_obs

Pseudo-Observations

# Description

Compute the pseudo-observations for the given data matrix.

# Usage

```
pseudo_obs(x, ties_method = "average", lower_tail = TRUE)
```

#### **Arguments**

x vector or matrix random variates to be converted (column wise) to pseudoobservations. ties\_method similar to ties.method of rank() (only "average", "first" and "random"

currently available).

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lower\_tail logical which, if 'FALSE", returns the pseudo-observations when applying the empirical marginal survival functions.

#### **Details**

Given n realizations  $x_i = (x_{i1}, \dots, x_{id})$ ,  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  of a random vector X, the pseudo-observations are defined via  $u_{ij} = r_{ij}/(n+1)$  for  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  and  $j \in \{1, \dots, d\}$ , where  $r_{ij}$  denotes the rank of  $x_{ij}$  among all  $x_{kj}$ ,  $k \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ .

The pseudo-observations can thus also be computed by component-wise applying the empirical distribution functions to the data and scaling the result by n/(n+1). This asymptotically negligible scaling factor is used to force the variates to fall inside the open unit hypercube, for example, to avoid problems with density evaluation at the boundaries.

When lower\_tail = FALSE, then pseudo\_obs() simply returns 1 - pseudo\_obs().

#### Value

a vector of matrix of the same dimension as the input containing the pseudo-observations.

#### **Examples**

```
# pseudo-observations for a vector
pseudo_obs(rnorm(10))

# pseudo-observations for a matrix
pseudo_obs(cbind(rnorm(10), rnorm(10)))
```

rosenblatt

(Inverse) Rosenblatt transform

#### **Description**

The Rosenblatt transform takes data generated from a model and turns it into independent uniform variates, The inverse Rosenblatt transform computes conditional quantiles and can be used simulate from a stochastic model, see *Details*.

#### Usage

```
rosenblatt(x, model, cores = 1)
inverse_rosenblatt(u, model, cores = 1)
```

# Arguments

X	matrix of evaluation points; must be in $(0,1)^a$ for copula models.
model	a model object; classes currently supported are $bicop_dist()$ , $vinecop_dist()$ , and $vine_dist()$ .
cores	if >1, computation is parallelized over cores batches (rows of u).
u	matrix of evaluation points; must be in $(0,1)^d$ .

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#### **Details**

The Rosenblatt transform (Rosenblatt, 1952) U = T(V) of a random vector  $V = (V_1, \dots, V_d)$  F is defined as

$$U_1 = F(V_1), U_2 = F(V_2|V_1), \dots, U_d = F(V_d|V_1, \dots, V_{d-1}),$$

where  $F(v_k|v_1,\ldots,v_{k-1})$  is the conditional distribution of  $V_k$  given  $V_1,\ldots,V_{k-1},k=2,\ldots,d$ . The vector  $U=(U_1,\ldots,U_d)$  then contains independent standard uniform variables. The inverse operation

$$V_1 = F^{-1}(U_1), V_2 = F^{-1}(U_2|U_1), \dots, V_d = F^{-1}(U_d|U_1, \dots, U_{d-1}),$$

can be used to simulate from a distribution. For any copula F, if U is a vector of independent random variables,  $V = T^{-1}(U)$  has distribution F.

The formulas above assume a vine copula model with order  $d, \ldots, 1$ . More generally, rosenblatt() returns the variables

$$U_{M[d+1-j,j]} = F(V_{M[d+1-j,j]}|V_{M[d-j,j-1]},\dots,V_{M[1,1]}),$$

where M is the structure matrix. Similarly, inverse\_rosenblatt() returns

$$V_{M[d+1-j,j]} = F^{-1}(U_{M[d+1-j,j]}|U_{M[d-j,j-1]},\ldots,U_{M[1,1]}).$$

```
# simulate data with some dependence
x <- replicate(3, rnorm(200))
x[, 2:3] <- x[, 2:3] + x[, 1]
pairs(x)

# estimate a vine distribution model
fit <- vine(x, copula_controls = list(family_set = "par"))

# transform into independent uniforms
u <- rosenblatt(x, fit)
pairs(u)

# inversion
pairs(inverse_rosenblatt(u, fit))

# works similarly for vinecop models
vc <- fit$copula
rosenblatt(pseudo_obs(x), vc)</pre>
```

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## **Description**

Provides an interface to 'vinecopulib', a C++ library for vine copula modeling based on 'Boost' and 'Eigen'. The 'rvinecopulib' package implements the core features of the popular 'VineCopula' package, in particular inference algorithms for both vine copula and bivariate copula models. Advantages over 'VineCopula' are a sleeker and more modern API, improved performances, especially in high dimensions, nonparametric and multi-parameter families. The 'rvinecopulib' package includes 'vinecopulib' as header-only C++ library (currently version 0.6.2). Thus users do not need to install 'vinecopulib' itself in order to use 'rvinecopulib'. Since their initial releases, 'vinecopulib' is licensed under the MIT License, and 'rvinecopulib' is licensed under the GNU GPL version 3.

#### Author(s)

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```
## bicop_dist objects
bicop_dist("gaussian", 0, 0.5)
str(bicop_dist("gauss", 0, 0.5))
bicop <- bicop_dist("clayton", 90, 3)</pre>
## bicop objects
u <- rbicop(500, "gauss", 0, 0.5)
fit1 <- bicop(u, family = "par")</pre>
fit1
## vinecop_dist objects
## specify pair-copulas
bicop <- bicop_dist("bb1", 90, c(3, 2))
pcs <- list(</pre>
  list(bicop, bicop), # pair-copulas in first tree
  list(bicop) # pair-copulas in second tree
## specify R-vine matrix
mat <- matrix(c(1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 0, 1, 0, 0), 3, 3)
## build the vinecop_dist object
vc <- vinecop_dist(pcs, mat)</pre>
summary(vc)
## vinecop objects
u <- sapply(1:3, function(i) runif(50))</pre>
vc <- vinecop(u, family = "par")</pre>
summary(vc)
## vine_dist objects
vc <- vine_dist(list(distr = "norm"), pcs, mat)</pre>
summary(vc)
## vine objects
x <- sapply(1:3, function(i) rnorm(50))</pre>
vc <- vine(x, copula_controls = list(family_set = "par"))</pre>
```

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summary(vc)

rvine\_structure R-vine structure

#### **Description**

R-vine structures are compressed representations encoding the tree structure of the vine, i.e. the conditioned/conditioning variables of each edge. The functions [cvine\_structure()] or [dvine\_structure()] give a simpler way to construct C-vines (every tree is a star) and D-vines (every tree is a path), respectively (see *Examples*).

#### Usage

```
rvine_structure(order, struct_array = list(), is_natural_order = FALSE)

cvine_structure(order, trunc_lvl = Inf)

dvine_structure(order, trunc_lvl = Inf)

rvine_matrix(matrix)
```

## **Arguments**

order a vector of positive integers.

struct\_array a list of vectors of positive integers. The vectors represent rows of the r-rvine

structure and the number of elements have to be compatible with the order

vector. If empty, the model is 0-truncated.

is\_natural\_order

whether struct\_array is assumed to be provided in natural order already (a structure is in natural order if the anti-diagonal is 1, ..., d from bottom left to top

right).

trunc\_lvl the truncation level

matrix an R-vine matrix, see *Details*.

# **Details**

The R-vine structure is essentially a lower-triangular matrix/triangular array, with a notation that differs from the one in the VineCopula package. An example array is

```
4 4 4 4
3 3 3
2 2
1
```

which encodes the following pair-copulas:

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```
tree
      edge
             pair-copulas
      0
0
             (1, 4)
      1
             (2, 4)
      2
             (3, 4)
      0
             (1, 3; 4)
      1
             (2, 3; 4)
2
      0
             (1, 2; 3, 4)
```

An R-vine structure can be converted to an R-vine matrix using as\_rvine\_matrix(), which encodes the same model with a square matrix filled with zeros. For instance, the matrix corresponding to the structure above is:

```
4 4 4 4
3 3 3 0
2 2 0 0
1 0 0 0
```

Similarly, an R-vine matrix can be converted to an R-vine structure using as\_rvine\_structure().

Denoting by M[i, j] the array entry in row i and column j (the pair-copula index for edge e in tree t of a d dimensional vine is (M[d + 1 - e, e], M[t, e]; M[t - 1, e], ..., M[1, e]). Less formally,

- 1. Start with the counter-diagonal element of column e (first conditioned variable).
- 2. Jump up to the element in row t (second conditioned variable).
- 3. Gather all entries further up in column e (conditioning set).

Internally, the diagonal is stored separately from the off-diagonal elements, which are stored as a triangular array. For instance, the off-diagonal elements off the structure above are stored as

```
4 4 4
3 3
2
```

for the structure above. The reason is that it allows for parsimonious representations of truncated models. For instance, the 2-truncated model is represented by the same diagonal and the following truncated triangular array:

```
4 4 4
3 3
```

A valid R-vine structure or matrix must satisfy several conditions which are checked when rvine\_structure(), rvine\_matrix(), or some coercion methods (see as\_rvine\_structure() and as\_rvine\_matrix() are called:

- 1. It can only contain numbers between 1 and d (and additionally zeros for R-vine matrices).
- 2. The anti-diagonal must contain the numbers 1, ..., d.
- 3. The anti-diagonal entry of a column must not be contained in any column further to the right.

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4. The entries of a column must be contained in all columns to the left.

```
5. The proximity condition must hold: For all t = 1, ..., d - 2 and e = 1, ..., d - t there must exist an index j > d, such that (M[t, e], {M[1, e], ..., M[t - 1, e]}) equals either (M[d + 1 - j, j], {M[1, j], ..., M[t - 1, j]}) or (M[t - 1, j], {M[d + 1 - j, j], M[1, j], ..., M[t - 2, j]})
```

Condition 5 already implies conditions 2-4, but is more difficult to check by hand.

#### Value

Either an rvine\_structure or an rvine\_matrix.

#### See Also

```
as_rvine_structure(), as_rvine_matrix(), plot.rvine_structure(), plot.rvine_matrix(),
rvine_structure_sim(), rvine_matrix_sim()
```

```
# R-vine structures can be constructed from the order vector and struct_array
rvine_structure(order = 1:4, struct_array = list(
  c(4, 4, 4),
  c(3, 3),
))
# R-vine matrices can be constructed from standard matrices
mat <- matrix(c(4, 3, 2, 1, 4, 3, 2, 0, 4, 3, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0), 4, 4)
rvine_matrix(mat)
# coerce to R-vine structure
str(as_rvine_structure(mat))
# truncate and construct the R-vine matrix
mat[3, 1] <- 0
rvine_matrix(mat)
# or use directly the R-vine structure constructor
rvine_structure(order = 1:4, struct_array = list(
  c(4, 4, 4),
  c(3, 3)
))
# throws an error
mat[3, 1] < -5
try(rvine_matrix(mat))
# C-vine structure
cvine <- cvine_structure(1:5)</pre>
cvine
plot(cvine)
```

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```
# D-vine structure
dvine <- dvine_structure(c(1, 4, 2, 3, 5))
dvine
plot(dvine)</pre>
```

rvine\_structure\_sim

Simulate R-vine structures

# Description

Simulates from a uniform distribution over all R-vine structures on d variables.  $rvine\_structure\_sim()$  returns an  $rvine\_structure()$  object,  $rvine\_matrix\_sim()$  an  $rvine\_matrix()$ .

# Usage

```
rvine_structure_sim(d, natural_order = FALSE)
rvine_matrix_sim(d, natural_order = FALSE)
```

# Arguments

```
d the number of variables

natural_order boolean; whether the structures should be in natural order (counter-diagonal is 1:d).
```

#### See Also

```
rvine_structure(), rvine_matrix(), plot.rvine_structure(), plot.rvine_matrix()
```

```
rvine_structure_sim(10)
rvine_structure_sim(10, natural_order = TRUE) # counter-diagonal is 1:d
rvine_matrix_sim(10)
```

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 ${\tt truncate\_model}$ 

Truncate a vine copula model

#### **Description**

Extracts a truncated sub-vine based on a truncation level supplied by user.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'rvine_structure'
truncate_model(object, trunc_lvl, ...)
## S3 method for class 'rvine_matrix'
truncate_model(object, trunc_lvl, ...)
## S3 method for class 'vinecop_dist'
truncate_model(object, trunc_lvl, ...)
## S3 method for class 'vine_dist'
truncate_model(object, trunc_lvl, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

object a model object.

... further arguments passed to specific methods.

trunc\_lvl tree level after which the vine copula should be truncated.

# **Details**

While a vine model for a d dimensional random vector contains at most d-1 nested trees, this function extracts a sub-model based on a given truncation level.

For instance, truncate\_model(object, 1) results in a 1-truncated vine (i.e., a vine with a single tree). Similarly truncate\_model(object, 2) results in a 2-truncated vine (i.e., a vine with two trees). Note that truncate\_model(truncate\_model(object, 1), 2) returns a 1-truncated vine.

```
# specify pair-copulas
bicop <- bicop_dist("bb1", 90, c(3, 2))
pcs <- list(
   list(bicop, bicop), # pair-copulas in first tree
   list(bicop) # pair-copulas in second tree
)
# specify R-vine matrix</pre>
```

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```
mat <- matrix(c(1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 0, 1, 0, 0), 3, 3)
# set up vine structure
structure <- as_rvine_structure(mat)
# truncate the model
truncate_model(structure, 1)
# set up vine copula model
vc <- vinecop_dist(pcs, mat)
# truncate the model
truncate_model(vc, 1)</pre>
```

vine

Vine copula models

#### **Description**

Automated fitting or creation of custom vine copula models

## Usage

```
vine(
  data,
  margins_controls = list(mult = NULL, xmin = NaN, xmax = NaN, bw = NA, deg = 2),
  copula_controls = list(family_set = "all", structure = NA, par_method = "mle",
    nonpar_method = "constant", mult = 1, selcrit = "aic", psi0 = 0.9, presel = TRUE,
    trunc_lvl = Inf, tree_crit = "tau", threshold = 0, keep_data = FALSE, show_trace =
    FALSE, cores = 1),
    weights = numeric(),
    keep_data = FALSE,
    cores = 1
)

vine_dist(margins, pair_copulas, structure)
```

#### **Arguments**

data a matrix or data.frame. Discrete variables have to be declared as ordered(). margins\_controls

a list with arguments to be passed to kde1d::kde1d(). Currently, there can be

- mult numeric vector of length one or d; all bandwidths for marginal kernel density estimation are multiplied with mult. Defaults to log(1 + d) where d is the number of variables after applying rvinecopulib:::expand\_factors().
- xmin numeric vector of length d; see kde1d::kde1d().
- xmax numeric vector of length d; see kde1d::kde1d().

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- bw numeric vector of length d; see kde1d::kde1d().
- deg numeric vector of length one or d; kde1d::kde1d().

copula\_controls

a list with arguments to be passed to vinecop().

weights optional vector of weights for each observation.

keep\_data whether the original data should be stored; if you want to store the pseudo-

observations used for fitting the copula, use the copula\_controls argument.

cores the number of cores to use for parallel computations.

margins A list with with each element containing the specification of a marginal stats::Distributions.

Each marginal specification should be a list with containing at least the distribution family ("distr") and optionally the parameters, e.g. list(list(distr = "norm"), list(distr = "norm", mu = 1), list(distr = "beta", shape1 = 1, shape2 = 1)). Note that parameters that have no default values have to be provided. Furthermore, if margins has length one, it will be recycled for every

component.

pair\_copulas A nested list of 'bicop\_dist' objects, where pair\_copulas[[t]][[e]] corre-

sponds to the pair-copula at edge e in tree t.

structure an rvine\_structure object, namely a compressed representation of the vine

structure, or an object that can be coerced into one (see rvine\_structure() and as\_rvine\_structure()). The dimension must be length(pair\_copulas[[1]])

+ 1.

#### **Details**

vine\_dist() creates a vine copula by specifying the margins, a nested list of bicop\_dist objects and a quadratic structure matrix.

vine() provides automated fitting for vine copula models. margins\_controls is a list with the same parameters as kde1d::kde1d() (except for x). copula\_controls is a list with the same parameters as vinecop() (except for data).

#### Value

Objects inheriting from vine\_dist for vine\_dist(), and vine and vine\_dist for vine(). Objects from the vine\_dist class are lists containing:

- margins, a list of marginals (see below).
- copula, an object of the class vinecop\_dist, see vinecop\_dist().

For objects from the vine class, copula is also an object of the class vine, see vinecop(). Additionally, objects from the vine class contain:

- margins\_controls, a list with the set of fit controls that was passed to kde1d::kde1d() when estimating the margins.
- copula\_controls, a list with the set of fit controls that was passed to vinecop() when estimating the copula.
- data (optionally, if keep\_data = TRUE was used), the dataset that was passed to vine().

• nobs, an integer containing the number of observations that was used to fit the model.

Concerning margins:

- For objects created with vine\_dist(), it simply corresponds to the margins argument.
- For objects created with vine(), it is a list of objects of class kde1d, see kde1d::kde1d().

## **Examples**

```
# specify pair-copulas
bicop <- bicop_dist("bb1", 90, c(3, 2))
pcs <- list(</pre>
  list(bicop, bicop), # pair-copulas in first tree
  list(bicop) # pair-copulas in second tree
)
# specify R-vine matrix
mat \leftarrow matrix(c(1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 0, 1, 0, 0), 3, 3)
# set up vine copula model with Gaussian margins
vc <- vine_dist(list(distr = "norm"), pcs, mat)</pre>
# show model
summary(vc)
# simulate some data
x <- rvine(50, vc)
# estimate a vine copula model
fit <- vine(x, copula_controls = list(family_set = "par"))</pre>
summary(fit)
## model for discrete data
x <- as.data.frame(x)</pre>
x[, 1] \leftarrow ordered(round(x[, 1]), levels = seq.int(-5, 5))
fit_disc <- vine(x, copula_controls = list(family_set = "par"))</pre>
summary(fit_disc)
```

vinecop

Fitting vine copula models

#### **Description**

Automated fitting and model selection for vine copula models with continuous or discrete data. Selection of the structure is performed using the algorithm of Dissmann et al. (2013).

# Usage

```
vinecop(
  data,
  var_types = rep("c", NCOL(data)),
  family_set = "all",
  structure = NA,
  par_method = "mle",
  nonpar_method = "constant",
  mult = 1,
  selcrit = "aic",
  weights = numeric(),
  psi0 = 0.9,
  presel = TRUE,
  trunc_lvl = Inf,
  tree_crit = "tau",
  threshold = 0,
  keep_data = FALSE,
  show_trace = FALSE,
  cores = 1
)
```

# Arguments

data	a matrix or data.frame with at least two columns, containing the (pseudo-)observations for the two variables (copula data should have approximately uniform margins). More columns are required for discrete models, see <i>Details</i> .
var_types	variable types, a length d vector; e.g., c("c", "c") for two continuous variables, or c("c", "d") for first variable continuous and second discrete.
family_set	a character vector of families; see bicop() for additional options.
structure	an rvine_structure object, namely a compressed representation of the vine structure, or an object that can be coerced into one (see rvine_structure() and as_rvine_structure()). The dimension must be length(pair_copulas[[1]]) + 1; structure = NA performs automatic selection based on Dissman's algorithm. See <i>Details</i> for partial selection of the structure.
par_method	the estimation method for parametric models, either "mle" for maximum likelihood or "itau" for inversion of Kendall's tau (only available for one-parameter families and "t".
nonpar_method	the estimation method for nonparametric models, either "constant" for the standard transformation estimator, or "linear"/"quadratic" for the local-likelihood approximations of order one/two.
mult	multiplier for the smoothing parameters of nonparametric families. Values larger than 1 make the estimate more smooth, values less than 1 less smooth.
selcrit	criterion for family selection, either "loglik", "aic", "bic", "mbic". For vinecop() there is the additional option "mbicv".
weights	optional vector of weights for each observation.

psi0	<pre>prior probability of a non-independence copula (only used for selcrit = "mbic" and selcrit = "mbicv").</pre>
presel	whether the family set should be thinned out according to symmetry characteristics of the data.
trunc_lvl	the truncation level of the vine copula; Inf means no truncation, NA indicates that the truncation level should be selected automatically by mBICV().
tree_crit	the criterion for tree selection, one of "tau", "rho", "hoeffd", "mcor", or "joe" for Kendall's $\tau$ , Spearman's $\rho$ , Hoeffding's $D$ , maximum correlation, or logarithm of the partial correlation, respectively.
threshold	for thresholded vine copulas; NA indicates that the threshold should be selected automatically by mBICV().
keep_data	whether the data should be stored (necessary for using fitted()).
show_trace	logical; whether a trace of the fitting progress should be printed.
cores	number of cores to use; if more than 1, estimation of pair copulas within a tree is done in parallel.

#### **Details**

#### Missing data:

If there are missing data (i.e., NA entries), incomplete observations are discarded before fitting a pair-copula. This is done on a pair-by-pair basis so that the maximal available information is used.

#### **Discrete variables:**

The dependence measures used to select trees (default: Kendall's tau) are corrected for ties (see wdm::wdm).

#### Partial structure selection:

It is possible to fix the vine structure only in the first trees and select the remaining ones automatically. To specify only the first k trees, supply a k-truncated rvine\_structure() or rvine\_matrix(). All trees up to trunc\_lvl will then be selected automatically.

#### Value

Objects inheriting from vinecop and vinecop\_dist for vinecop(). In addition to the entries provided by vinecop\_dist(), there are:

- threshold, the (set or estimated) threshold used for thresholding the vine.
- data (optionally, if keep\_data = TRUE was used), the dataset that was passed to vinecop().
- controls, a list with fit controls that was passed to vinecop().
- nobs, the number of observations that were used to fit the model.

#### References

Dissmann, J. F., E. C. Brechmann, C. Czado, and D. Kurowicka (2013). *Selecting and estimating regular vine copulae and application to financial returns*. Computational Statistics & Data Analysis, 59 (1), 52-69.

#### See Also

```
vinecop(), dvinecop(), pvinecop(), rvinecop(), plot.vinecop(), contour.vinecop()
```

```
## simulate dummy data
x < -rnorm(30) * matrix(1, 30, 5) + 0.5 * matrix(rnorm(30 * 5), 30, 5)
u <- pseudo_obs(x)</pre>
## fit and select the model structure, family and parameters
fit <- vinecop(u)</pre>
summary(fit)
plot(fit)
contour(fit)
## select by log-likelihood criterion from one-paramter families
fit <- vinecop(u, family_set = "onepar", selcrit = "bic")</pre>
summary(fit)
## Gaussian D-vine
fit <- vinecop(u, structure = dvine_structure(1:5), family = "gauss")</pre>
plot(fit)
contour(fit)
## Partial structure selection with only first tree specified
structure <- rvine_structure(order = 1:5, list(rep(5, 4)))</pre>
structure
fit <- vinecop(u, structure = structure, family = "gauss")</pre>
plot(fit)
## 1-truncated model with random structure
fit <- vinecop(u, structure = rvine_structure_sim(5), trunc_lvl = 1)</pre>
contour(fit)
## Model for discrete data
x <- qpois(u, 1) # transform to Poisson margins
# we require two types of observations (see Details)
u_disc \leftarrow cbind(ppois(x, 1), ppois(x - 1, 1))
fit <- vinecop(u_disc, var_types = rep("d", 5))</pre>
## Model for mixed data
x \leftarrow qpois(u[, 1], 1) # transform first variable to Poisson margin
# we require two types of observations (see Details)
u_disc \leftarrow cbind(ppois(x, 1), u[, 2:5], ppois(x - 1, 1))
fit <- vinecop(u_disc, var_types = c("d", rep("c", 4)))</pre>
```

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Vine copula models

#### Description

Create custom vine copula models by specifying the pair-copulas, structure, and variable types.

#### Usage

```
vinecop_dist(pair_copulas, structure, var_types = rep("c", dim(structure)[1]))
```

## Arguments

A nested list of 'bicop\_dist()' objects, where pair\_copulas[[t]][[e]] corresponds to the pair-copula at edge e in tree t.

structure

an rvine\_structure object, namely a compressed representation of the vine structure, or an object that can be coerced into one (see rvine\_structure() and as\_rvine\_structure()). The dimension must be length(pair\_copulas[[1]]) + 1; structure = NA performs automatic selection based on Dissman's algorithm. See Details for partial selection of the structure.

var\_types

variable types, a length d vector; e.g., c("c", "c") for two continuous variables, or c("c", "d") for first variable continuous and second discrete.

#### Value

Object of class vinecop\_dist, i.e., a list containing:

- pair\_copulas, a list of lists. Each element of pair\_copulas corresponds to a tree, which is itself a list of bicop\_dist() objects.
- structure, a compressed representation of the vine structure, or an object that can be coerced into one (see rvine\_structure() and as\_rvine\_structure()).
- npars, a numeric with the number of (effective) parameters.
- var\_types the variable types.

#### See Also

```
rvine_structure(), rvine_matrix(), vinecop(), plot.vinecop_dist(), contour.vinecop_dist(),
dvinecop(), pvinecop(), rvinecop()
```

```
# specify pair-copulas
bicop <- bicop_dist("bb1", 90, c(3, 2))
pcs <- list(
   list(bicop, bicop), # pair-copulas in first tree
   list(bicop) # pair-copulas in second tree
)</pre>
```

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```
# specify R-vine matrix
mat <- matrix(c(1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 0, 1, 0, 0), 3, 3)
# set up vine copula model
vc <- vinecop_dist(pcs, mat)
# visualization
plot(vc)
contour(vc)
# simulate from the model
pairs(rvinecop(200, vc))</pre>
```

# **Description**

Density, distribution function and random generation for the vine copula distribution.

## Usage

```
dvinecop(u, vinecop, cores = 1)
pvinecop(u, vinecop, n_mc = 10^4, cores = 1)
rvinecop(n, vinecop, qrng = FALSE, cores = 1)
```

# Arguments

u	matrix of evaluation points; must contain at least d columns, where d is the number of variables in the vine. More columns are required for discrete models, see <i>Details</i> .
vinecop	an object of class "vinecop_dist".
cores	number of cores to use; if larger than one, computations are done in parallel on cores batches .
n_mc	number of samples used for quasi Monte Carlo integration.
n	number of observations.
qrng	if TRUE, generates quasi-random numbers using the multivariate Generalized Halton sequence up to dimension 300 and the Generalized Sobol sequence in

higher dimensions (default qrng = FALSE).

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#### **Details**

See vinecop() for the estimation and construction of vine copula models.

The copula density is defined as joint density divided by marginal densities, irrespective of variable types.

#### **Discrete variables:**

When at least one variable is discrete, two types of "observations" are required in u: the first  $n \ x \ d$  block contains realizations of  $F_{X_j}(X_j)$ . The second  $n \ x \ d$  block contains realizations of  $F_{X_j}(X_j^-)$ . The minus indicates a left-sided limit of the cdf. For, e.g., an integer-valued variable, it holds  $F_{X_j}(X_j^-) = F_{X_j}(X_j^-)$ . For continuous variables the left limit and the cdf itself coincide. Respective columns can be omitted in the second block.

#### Value

dvinecop() gives the density, pvinecop() gives the distribution function, and rvinecop() generates random deviates.

The length of the result is determined by n for rvinecop(), and the number of rows in u for the other functions.

The vinecop object is recycled to the length of the result.

#### See Also

```
vinecop_dist(), vinecop(), plot.vinecop(), contour.vinecop()
```

```
## simulate dummy data
x \leftarrow rnorm(30) * matrix(1, 30, 5) + 0.5 * matrix(rnorm(30 * 5), 30, 5)
u <- pseudo_obs(x)</pre>
## fit a model
vc <- vinecop(u, family = "clayton")</pre>
# simulate from the model
u <- rvinecop(100, vc)
pairs(u)
# evaluate the density and cdf
dvinecop(u[1, ], vc)
pvinecop(u[1, ], vc)
## Discrete models
vc$var_types <- rep("d", 5) # convert model to discrete</pre>
# with discrete data we need two types of observations (see Details)
x <- qpois(u, 1) # transform to Poisson margins
u_disc \leftarrow cbind(ppois(x, 1), ppois(x - 1, 1))
dvinecop(u_disc[1:5, ], vc)
pvinecop(u_disc[1:5, ], vc)
```

```
# simulated data always has uniform margins
pairs(rvinecop(200, vc))
```

```
vinecop_predict_and_fitted
```

Predictions and fitted values for a vine copula model

#### Description

Predictions of the density and distribution function for a vine copula model.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'vinecop'
predict(object, newdata, what = "pdf", n_mc = 10^4, cores = 1, ...)
## S3 method for class 'vinecop'
fitted(object, what = "pdf", n_mc = 10^4, cores = 1, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

```
object a vinecop object.

newdata points where the fit shall be evaluated.

what what to predict, either "pdf" or "cdf".

n_mc number of samples used for quasi Monte Carlo integration when what = "cdf".

cores number of cores to use; if larger than one, computations are done in parallel on cores batches.

... unused.
```

#### **Details**

fitted() can only be called if the model was fit with the keep\_data = TRUE option.

#### Discrete variables:

When at least one variable is discrete, two types of "observations" are required in newdata: the first  $n \ x \ d$  block contains realizations of  $F_{X_j}(X_j)$ . The second  $n \ x \ d$  block contains realizations of  $F_{X_j}(X_j^-)$ . The minus indicates a left-sided limit of the cdf. For, e.g., an integer-valued variable, it holds  $F_{X_j}(X_j^-) = F_{X_j}(X_j^-)$ . For continuous variables the left limit and the cdf itself coincide. Respective columns can be omitted in the second block.

#### Value

fitted() and predict() have return values similar to dvinecop() and pvinecop().

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#### **Examples**

```
u <- sapply(1:5, function(i) runif(50))
fit <- vinecop(u, family = "par", keep_data = TRUE)
all.equal(predict(fit, u), fitted(fit), check.environment = FALSE)</pre>
```

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Vine based distributions

## **Description**

Density, distribution function and random generation for the vine based distribution.

#### Usage

```
dvine(x, vine, cores = 1)
pvine(x, vine, n_mc = 10^4, cores = 1)
rvine(n, vine, qrng = FALSE, cores = 1)
```

# **Arguments**

Х	evaluation points, either a length d vector or a d-column matrix, where d is the number of variables in the vine.
vine	an object of class "vine_dist".
cores	number of cores to use; if larger than one, computations are done in parallel on cores batches .
n_mc	number of samples used for quasi Monte Carlo integration.
n	number of observations.
qrng	if TRUE, generates quasi-random numbers using the multivariate Generalized Halton sequence up to dimension 300 and the Generalized Sobol sequence in higher dimensions (default qrng = FALSE).

#### **Details**

See vine for the estimation and construction of vine models. Here, the density, distribution function and random generation for the vine distributions are standard.

The functions are based on dvinecop(), pvinecop() and rvinecop() for vinecop objects, and either kde1d::dkde1d(), kde1d::pkde1d() and kde1d::qkde1d() for estimated vines (i.e., output of vine()), or the standard d/p/q-xxx from stats::Distributions for custom vines (i.e., output of vine\_dist()).

## Value

dvine() gives the density, pvine() gives the distribution function, and rvine() generates random deviates.

The length of the result is determined by n for rvine(), and the number of rows in u for the other functions.

The vine object is recycled to the length of the result.

# **Examples**

```
# specify pair-copulas
bicop <- bicop_dist("bb1", 90, c(3, 2))
pcs <- list(
    list(bicop, bicop), # pair-copulas in first tree
    list(bicop) # pair-copulas in second tree
)

# set up vine copula model
mat <- rvine_matrix_sim(3)
vc <- vine_dist(list(distr = "norm"), pcs, mat)

# simulate from the model
x <- rvine(200, vc)
pairs(x)

# evaluate the density and cdf
dvine(x[1, ], vc)
pvine(x[1, ], vc)</pre>
```

vine\_predict\_and\_fitted

Predictions and fitted values for a vine copula model

# Description

Predictions of the density and distribution function for a vine copula model.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'vine'
predict(object, newdata, what = "pdf", n_mc = 10^4, cores = 1, ...)
## S3 method for class 'vine'
fitted(object, what = "pdf", n_mc = 10^4, cores = 1, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

object a vine object.

newdata points where the fit shall be evaluated. what to predict, either "pdf" or "cdf". what

number of samples used for quasi Monte Carlo integration when what = "cdf". n\_mc cores number of cores to use; if larger than one, computations are done in parallel on

cores batches.

unused.

## Value

fitted() and predict() have return values similar to dvine() and pvine().

```
x <- sapply(1:5, function(i) rnorm(50))</pre>
fit <- vine(x, copula_controls = list(family_set = "par"), keep_data = TRUE)</pre>
all.equal(predict(fit, x), fitted(fit), check.environment = FALSE)
```

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