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pbvnorm

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Description

The function pbvnorm computes probabilities $\Phi_2(x, y, \rho)$ for the standardized bivariate normal distribution (Drezner & Wesolowsky, 1990; West, 2004).

The function dbvnorm computes the corresponding density $\phi_2(x, y, \rho)$.

Usage

```
pbvnorm(x, y, rho)
```

```
dbvnorm(x, y, rho, log=FALSE)
```

```
## exported Rcpp functions  
pbv_rcpp_pbvnorm0( h1, hk, r)  
pbv_rcpp_pbvnorm( x, y, rho)  
pbv_rcpp_dbvnorm0( x, y, rho, use_log)  
pbv_rcpp_dbvnorm( x, y, rho, use_log)
```

Arguments

x	Vector of first ordinate
y	Vector of second ordinate
rho	Vector of correlations
log	Logical indicating whether logarithm of the density should be calculated
h1	Numeric
hk	Numeric
r	Numeric
use_log	Logical

Value

A vector

Note

The **pbv** package can also be used to include **Rcpp** functions for computing bivariate probabilities at the C++ level. Numeric and vector versions are

```
double pbv::pbv_rcpp_pbvnorm0( double h1, double hk, double r)
```

```
Rcpp::NumericVector pbv::pbv_rcpp_pbvnorm( Rcpp::NumericVector x,
Rcpp::NumericVector y, Rcpp::NumericVector rho)
```

References

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See Also

See [pbivnorm::pbivnorm](#) in the **pbivnorm** package and `mnormt::biv.nt.prob` in the **mnormt** package for alternative implementations (Genz, 1992).

Examples

```
#####
# EXAMPLE 1: Comparison with alternative implementations
#####

*** simulate different values of ordinates and correlations
set.seed(9898)
N <- 3000
```

```
x <- stats::runif(N,-3,3)
y <- stats::runif(N,-3,3)
rho <- stats::runif(N,-.95,.95)

#### compute probabilities
res1 <- pbv::pbvnorm(x=x,y=y,rho=rho)

##-- compare results with pbivnorm package
library(pbivnorm)
res2 <- pbivnorm::pbivnorm(x=x, y=y, rho=rho)

summary(abs(res1-res2))

#### compute density values
log <- TRUE # logical indicating whether log density should be evaluated
res1 <- pbv::dbvnorm(x=x, y=y, rho=rho, log=log )

## Not run:
##-- compare results with mvtnorm package
library(mvtnorm)
res2 <- rep(NA, N)
sigma <- diag(2)
for (ii in 1:N){
  sigma[1,2] <- sigma[2,1] <- rho[ii]
  res2[ii] <- mvtnorm::dmvnorm(x=c(x[ii],y[ii]), sigma=sigma, log=log)
}
summary(abs(res1-res2))

## End(Not run)
```

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