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biasBound\_condExpectation

*Bias bound approach for conditional expectation estimation*

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## Description

Estimates the density at a given point or across a range, and provides visualization options for density, bias, and confidence intervals.

## Usage

```
biasBound_condExpectation(
  Y,
  X,
  x = NULL,
  h = NULL,
  h_method = "cv",
  alpha = 0.05,
  est_Ar = NULL,
  resol = 100,
  xi_lb = NULL,
  xi_ub = NULL,
  methods_get_xi = "snr",
```

```

noise_floor = "auto",
envelope_use_Y = TRUE,
integer_r = TRUE,
ora_Ar = NULL,
kernel.fun = "Schennach2004",
if_approx_kernel = TRUE,
kernel.resol = 1000
)

```

### Arguments

Y	A numerical vector of sample data.
X	A numerical vector of sample data.
x	Optional. A scalar or range of points where the density is estimated. If NULL, a range is automatically generated.
h	A scalar bandwidth parameter. If NULL, the bandwidth is automatically selected using the method specified in 'h_method'.
h_method	Method for automatic bandwidth selection when h is NULL. Options are "cv" (cross-validation) and "silverman" (Silverman's rule of thumb). Default is "cv".
alpha	Confidence level for intervals. Default is 0.05.
est_Ar	Optional list of estimates for A and r. If NULL, they are computed using get_est_Ar().
resol	Resolution for the estimation range. Default is 100.
xi_lb	Optional. Lower bound for the interval of Fourier Transform frequency xi. Used for determining the range over which A and r is estimated. If NULL, it is automatically determined based on the methods_get_xi.
xi_ub	Optional. Upper bound for the interval of Fourier Transform frequency xi. Similar to xi_lb, it defines the upper range for A and r estimation. If NULL, the upper bound is determined based on the methods_get_xi.
methods_get_xi	A string selecting the frequency-window rule used when xi_lb/xi_ub are NULL: "snr" (default; a signal-to-noise cutoff that selects a valid window at realistic sample sizes), "Schennach" (the data-driven rule of Schennach 2020, Theorem 2), or "Schennach_loose" (the initial, un-refined interval).
noise_floor	Noise-floor form for the Schennach test: "auto" (default), "compact", or "general".
envelope_use_Y	If TRUE (default), fit the regression envelope to the cross-spectrum $ \phi_{YX} $ ; if FALSE, fit it to the marginal spectrum $ \phi_X $ .
integer_r	If TRUE (default), clamp the fitted envelope slope up to $r = 2$ when it falls below the minimum smoothness assumed by Schennach (2020, Definition 2), i.e. $r < 2$ , and refit A; this keeps the bias-bound integral finite. Slopes $\geq 2$ are left unchanged.
ora_Ar	Optional list of oracle values for A and r (for research/comparison purposes).
kernel.fun	A string specifying the kernel function to be used. Options are "Schennach2004", "sinc", "normal", "epanechnikov".

if\_approx\_kernel Logical. If TRUE, uses approximations for the kernel function.

kernel.resol The resolution for kernel function approximation. See [fun\\_approx](#).

### Value

An object of class `bbnp_regression` with components:

fitted\_values  $E[Y|X = x]$  estimates (for range estimation)

x Evaluation points

estimate Point estimate (for single x)

conf\_int List containing lower, upper bounds and `conf_level`. Note that the confidence interval can be unbounded (i.e., contain `-Inf` or `Inf`) in regions where the estimated marginal density  $\hat{f}(x)$  is very close to zero, because the estimator is formed as a ratio involving  $1/\hat{f}(x)$ .

bias\_bound List containing `b1x`, `byx`, `est_A`, `est_r`, `est_B`, `xi_interval`

std\_error Standard errors

marginal\_density  $f(x)$  estimates

joint\_density  $f_{YX}$  estimates

call The function call

bandwidth Bandwidth used

n Sample size

kernel Kernel type

data Original data (X, Y)

Use `plot()`, `summary()`, `coef()`, `fitted()`, and `confint()` methods to work with the result.

### Examples

```
# Example 1: Point estimation at x = 1
X <- rnorm(100)
Y <- X^2 + rnorm(100)
fit <- biasBound_condExpectation(Y = Y, X = X, x = 1, h = 0.09)
print(fit)
fitted(fit)

# Example 2: Range estimation with plots
fit2 <- biasBound_condExpectation(Y = Y, X = X, h = NULL, h_method = "cv")
plot(fit2) # Regression plot
plot(fit2, type = "ft") # Fourier transform plot
summary(fit2)
```

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biasBound\_density      *Bias bound approach for density estimation*

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### Description

Estimates the density at a given point or across a range, and provides visualization options for density, bias, and confidence intervals.

### Usage

```
biasBound_density(
  X,
  x = NULL,
  h = NULL,
  h_method = "cv",
  alpha = 0.05,
  resol = 100,
  xi_lb = NULL,
  xi_ub = NULL,
  methods_get_xi = "snr",
  noise_floor = "auto",
  envelope_use_Y = TRUE,
  integer_r = TRUE,
  ora_Ar = NULL,
  kernel.fun = "Schennach2004",
  if_approx_kernel = TRUE,
  kernel.resol = 1000
)
```

### Arguments

X	A numerical vector of sample data.
x	Optional. A scalar or range of points where the density is estimated. If NULL, a range is automatically generated.
h	A scalar bandwidth parameter. If NULL, the bandwidth is automatically selected using the method specified in 'h_method'.
h_method	Method for automatic bandwidth selection when h is NULL. Options are "cv" (cross-validation) and "silverman" (Silverman's rule of thumb). Default is "cv".
alpha	Confidence level for intervals. Default is 0.05.
resol	Resolution for the estimation range. Default is 100.
xi_lb	Optional. Lower bound for the interval of Fourier Transform frequency xi. Used for determining the range over which A and r is estimated. If NULL, it is automatically determined based on the methods_get_xi.
xi_ub	Optional. Upper bound for the interval of Fourier Transform frequency xi. Similar to xi_lb, it defines the upper range for A and r estimation. If NULL, the upper bound is determined based on the methods_get_xi.

methods_get_xi	A string selecting the frequency-window rule used when xi_lb/xi_ub are NULL: "snr" (default; a signal-to-noise cutoff that selects a valid window at realistic sample sizes), "Schennach" (the data-driven rule of Schennach 2020, Theorem 2), or "Schennach_loose" (the initial, un-refined interval).
noise_floor	Noise-floor form for the Schennach test: "auto" (default), "compact", or "general".
envelope_use_Y	If TRUE (default), fit the regression envelope to the cross-spectrum $ \phi_{YX} $ ; if FALSE, fit it to the marginal spectrum $ \phi_X $ .
integer_r	If TRUE (default), clamp the fitted envelope slope up to $r = 2$ when it falls below the minimum smoothness assumed by Schennach (2020, Definition 2), i.e. $r < 2$ , and refit A; this keeps the bias-bound integral finite. Slopes $\geq 2$ are left unchanged.
ora_Ar	Optional list of oracle values for A and r (for research/comparison purposes).
kernel.fun	A string specifying the kernel function to be used. Options are "Schennach2004", "sinc", "normal", "epanechnikov".
if_approx_kernel	Logical. If TRUE, uses approximations for the kernel function.
kernel.resol	The resolution for kernel function approximation. See <a href="#">fun_approx</a> .

### Value

An object of class `bbnp_density` with components:

density	Density estimates (for range estimation)
x	Evaluation points
estimate	Point estimate (for single x)
conf_int	List containing lower, upper bounds and <code>conf_level</code>
bias_bound	List containing <code>b1x</code> , <code>est_A</code> , <code>est_r</code> , <code>xi_interval</code>
std_error	Standard errors
call	The function call
bandwidth	Bandwidth used
n	Sample size
kernel	Kernel type
data	Original data

Use `plot()`, `summary()`, `coef()`, and `confint()` methods to work with the result.

### Examples

```
# Example 1: Point estimation at x = 1
X <- rnorm(100)
fit <- biasBound_density(X = X, x = 1, h = 0.09)
print(fit)
coef(fit)
```

```
# Example 2: Range estimation with automatic bandwidth
fit2 <- biasBound_density(X = X, h = NULL, h_method = "cv")
plot(fit2)           # Density plot
plot(fit2, type = "ft") # Fourier transform plot
summary(fit2)
```

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coef.bbnp\_density      *Extract Coefficients from bbnp\_density Object*

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### Description

Extracts the estimated bias bound parameters and bandwidth

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'bbnp_density'
coef(object, ...)
```

### Arguments

object            An object of class bbnp\_density  
 ...              Additional arguments (unused)

### Value

Named numeric vector with A (amplitude), r (decay rate), and h (bandwidth)

### Examples

```
X <- rnorm(100)
fit <- biasBound_density(X, h = 0.1)
coef(fit)
```

---

coef.bbnp\_regression      *Extract Coefficients from bbnp\_regression Object*

---

### Description

Extracts the estimated bias bound parameters and bandwidth

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'bbnp_regression'
coef(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object            An object of class bbnp\_regression  
 ...                Additional arguments (unused)

**Value**

Named numeric vector with A (amplitude), r (decay rate), B (Y bound), and h (bandwidth)

**Examples**

```
X <- rnorm(100)
Y <- X^2 + rnorm(100)
fit <- biasBound_condExpectation(Y, X, h = 0.1)
coef(fit)
```

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confint.bbnp\_density    *Extract Confidence Intervals from bbnp\_density Object*

---

**Description**

Extracts confidence intervals for density estimates

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'bbnp_density'
confint(object, parm = NULL, level = 0.95, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object            An object of class bbnp\_density  
 parm              Not used (included for S3 generic compatibility)  
 level             Confidence level (default: 0.95). Note: this parameter is not used as the confidence level is fixed at object creation time.  
 ...                Additional arguments (unused)

**Value**

For range estimation: a matrix with columns "lower" and "upper" For point estimation: a named vector with elements "lower" and "upper"

**Examples**

```
X <- rnorm(100)
fit <- biasBound_density(X, h = 0.1)
confint(fit)
```

---

`confint.bbnp_regression`*Extract Confidence Intervals from bbnp\_regression Object*

---

**Description**

Extracts confidence intervals for conditional expectation estimates

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'bbnp_regression'  
confint(object, parm = NULL, level = 0.95, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>object</code>	An object of class <code>bbnp_regression</code>
<code>parm</code>	Not used (included for S3 generic compatibility)
<code>level</code>	Confidence level (default: 0.95). Note: this parameter is not used as the confidence level is fixed at object creation time.
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments (unused)

**Value**

For range estimation: a matrix with columns "lower" and "upper" For point estimation: a named vector with elements "lower" and "upper"

**Examples**

```
X <- rnorm(100)  
Y <- X^2 + rnorm(100)  
fit <- biasBound_condExpectation(Y, X, h = 0.1)  
confint(fit)
```

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`create_biasBound_config`*Create a configuration object for bias bound estimations*

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**Description**

Create a configuration object for bias bound estimations

**Usage**

```

create_biasBound_config(
  X,
  Y = NULL,
  h = NULL,
  h_method = "cv",
  use_fft = TRUE,
  alpha = 0.05,
  resol = 100,
  xi_lb = NULL,
  xi_ub = NULL,
  methods_get_xi = "snr",
  noise_floor = "auto",
  envelope_use_Y = TRUE,
  integer_r = TRUE,
  kernel.fun = "Schennach2004",
  if_approx_kernel = TRUE,
  kernel.resol = 1000
)

```

**Arguments**

X	A numerical vector of sample data.
Y	Optional. A numerical vector of sample data for conditional expectation.
h	A scalar bandwidth parameter. If NULL, the bandwidth is automatically selected using the method specified in 'h_method'.
h_method	Method for automatic bandwidth selection when h is NULL. Options are "cv" (cross-validation) and "silverman" (Silverman's rule of thumb). Default is "cv".
use_fft	Ignored. Maintained for backward compatibility.
alpha	Confidence level for intervals.
resol	Resolution for the estimation range.
xi_lb	Lower bound for the interval of Fourier Transform frequency.
xi_ub	Upper bound for the interval of Fourier Transform frequency.
methods_get_xi	Method to determine the xi interval: "snr" (default), "Schennach", or "Schennach_loose".
noise_floor	Noise-floor form for the Schennach test: "auto" (default), "compact", or "general".
envelope_use_Y	If TRUE (default), fit the regression envelope to the cross-spectrum $ \phi_{YX} $ ; if FALSE, fit it to the marginal spectrum $ \phi_X $ .
integer_r	If TRUE (default), when the fitted envelope slope falls below the minimum smoothness assumed by Schennach (2020, Definition 2), i.e. $r < 2$ , clamp it up to $r = 2$ and refit A; this keeps the bias-bound integral finite. Slopes $\geq 2$ are left unchanged.
kernel.fun	Kernel function to be used. Options include "normal", "epanechnikov", "Schennach2004", and "sinc".

if\_approx\_kernel      Use approximations for the kernel function.

kernel.resol      Resolution for kernel approximation.

**Value**

A configuration object (list) with all parameters

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create\_kernel\_functions  
*Create kernel functions based on configuration*

---

**Description**

Create kernel functions based on configuration

**Usage**

```
create_kernel_functions(
  kernel.fun = "Schennach2004",
  if_approx_kernel = TRUE,
  kernel.resol = 1000
)
```

**Arguments**

kernel.fun      A string specifying the kernel function to be used.

if\_approx\_kernel      Logical. If TRUE, uses approximations for the kernel function.

kernel.resol      The resolution for kernel function approximation.

**Value**

A list containing kernel function, its Fourier transform, and the kernel type

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 cv\_bandwidth

*Cross-Validation for Bandwidth Selection*


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### Description

Implements least-squares cross-validation for bandwidth selection with any kernel function. Uses FFT-based algorithm for  $n \geq 100$  (fast,  $O(m \log m)$  complexity) and exact computation for  $n < 100$  (accurate). The FFT method bins data onto a regular grid and computes the LSCV objective via convolution in the frequency domain.

### Usage

```
cv_bandwidth(
  X,
  h_grid = NULL,
  kernel_func,
  kernel_type = "normal",
  grid_size = 512
)
```

### Arguments

<code>X</code>	A numerical vector of sample data.
<code>h_grid</code>	A numerical vector of bandwidth values to evaluate. If NULL (default), a grid is automatically generated based on the range and distribution of the data.
<code>kernel_func</code>	The kernel function to use for cross-validation.
<code>kernel_type</code>	A string identifying the kernel type, used only for reference bandwidth.
<code>grid_size</code>	Number of grid points for FFT-based evaluation (used when $n \geq 100$ ). Default is 512. Larger values increase accuracy but reduce speed. Automatically rounded up to the next power of 2.

### Value

A scalar representing the optimal bandwidth that minimizes the cross-validation score.

### Examples

```
# Generate sample data
X <- rnorm(100)
# Get optimal bandwidth using cross-validation with a normal kernel
kernel_functions <- create_kernel_functions("normal")
h_opt <- cv_bandwidth(X, kernel_func = kernel_functions$kernel,
  kernel_type = kernel_functions$kernel_type)
```

---

 fitted.bbnp\_regression

*Extract Fitted Values from bbnp\_regression Object*


---

**Description**

Extracts the fitted conditional expectation values  $E[Y|X = x]$

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'bbnp_regression'
fitted(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	An object of class bbnp_regression
...	Additional arguments (unused)

**Value**

Numeric vector of fitted values for range estimation, or a single numeric value for point estimation

**Examples**

```
X <- rnorm(100)
Y <- X^2 + rnorm(100)
fit <- biasBound_condExpectation(Y, X, h = 0.1)
fitted(fit)
```

---

 gen\_sample\_data

*Generate Sample Data*


---

**Description**

This function used for generate some sample data for experiment

**Usage**

```
gen_sample_data(size, dgp, seed = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

size	control the sample size.
dgp	data generating process, have options "normal", "chisq", "mixed", "poly", "2_fold_uniform".
seed	random seed number.

**Value**

A numeric vector of length size. The elements of the vector are generated according to the specified dgp:

**normal** Normally distributed values with mean 0 and standard deviation 2.

**chisq** Chi-squared distributed values with  $df = 10$ .

**mixed** Half normally distributed (mean 0,  $sd = 2$ ) and half chi-squared distributed ( $df = 10$ ) values.

**poly** Values from a polynomial cumulative distribution function on  $[0, 1]$ .

**2\_fold\_uniform** Sum of two uniformly distributed random numbers.

**Examples**

```
# Generate 500 samples from 2-fold uniform distribution
X <- gen_sample_data(500, "2_fold_uniform", seed = 123)
```

---

plot.bbnp\_density      *Plot Method for bbnp\_density Objects*

---

**Description**

Creates visualizations of bias-bounded density estimation results

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'bbnp_density'
plot(
  x,
  type = c("density", "ft"),
  fill_ci = .bbnp_pal[["ci"]],
  fill_bias = .bbnp_pal[["bias"]],
  alpha_ci = 0.55,
  alpha_bias = 0.55,
  ft_resol = 500,
  xi_range = NULL,
  expand = 2.5,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

**x** An object of class `bbnp_density`

**type** Character string specifying plot type. Options are:

- "density" (default): Density estimate with bias bounds and confidence intervals

	• "ft": Fourier transform plot with estimated envelope
fill_ci	Color for confidence interval ribbon (default: a muted blue).
fill_bias	Color for bias bound ribbon (default: a muted terracotta).
alpha_ci	Transparency for confidence interval ribbon (default: 0.30)
alpha_bias	Transparency for bias bound ribbon (default: 0.45)
ft_resol	Resolution for Fourier transform plot (default: 500)
xi_range	Optional numeric c(lower, upper) giving the frequency range to <i>display</i> in the "ft" plot. If NULL (default) a wide range around the selected window is shown (see expand). This controls only what is drawn; it does not change the fitting window [xi_lb, xi_ub].
expand	For the "ft" plot when xi_range is NULL: how far past the selected window to display, as a multiple (default 2.5).
...	Additional arguments (unused)

**Value**

A ggplot2 object

**Examples**

```
X <- rnorm(100)
fit <- biasBound_density(X, h = 0.1)
plot(fit)
plot(fit, type = "ft")
```

---

plot.bbnp\_regression *Plot Method for bbnp\_regression Objects*

---

**Description**

Creates visualizations of bias-bounded conditional expectation estimation results

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'bbnp_regression'
plot(
  x,
  type = c("regression", "ft"),
  fill_ci = .bbnp_pal[["ci"]],
  alpha_ci = 0.55,
  point_alpha = 0.28,
  point_color = .bbnp_pal[["point"]],
  ft_resol = 500,
  xi_range = NULL,
  expand = 2.5,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

x	An object of class <code>bbnp_regression</code>
type	Character string specifying plot type. Options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>"regression" (default): Conditional expectation with confidence interval</li> <li>"ft": Fourier transform plot with estimated envelope</li> </ul>
fill_ci	Color for confidence interval ribbon (default: a muted blue).
alpha_ci	Transparency for confidence interval ribbon (default: 0.35)
point_alpha	Transparency for data points (default: 0.28)
point_color	Color for data points (default: a soft grey).
ft_resol	Resolution for Fourier transform plot (default: 500)
xi_range	Optional numeric <code>c(lower, upper)</code> giving the frequency range to <i>display</i> in the "ft" plot. If NULL (default) a wide range around the selected window is shown (see <code>expand</code> ). This controls only what is drawn; it does not change the fitting window <code>[xi_lb, xi_ub]</code> .
expand	For the "ft" plot when <code>xi_range</code> is NULL: how far past the selected window to display, as a multiple (default 2.5).
...	Additional arguments (unused)

**Value**

A `ggplot2` object

**Examples**

```
X <- rnorm(100)
Y <- X^2 + rnorm(100)
fit <- biasBound_condExpectation(Y, X, h = 0.1)
plot(fit)
plot(fit, type = "ft")
```

---

`print.bbnp_density`      *Print Method for bbnp\_density Objects*

---

**Description**

Print Method for `bbnp_density` Objects

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'bbnp_density'
print(x, digits = 4, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x                    An object of class bbnp\_density  
digits                Number of digits to display (default: 4)  
...                    Additional arguments (unused)

**Value**

Invisibly returns the input object

---

print.bbnp\_regression *Print Method for bbnp\_regression Objects*

---

**Description**

Print Method for bbnp\_regression Objects

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'bbnp_regression'  
print(x, digits = 4, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x                    An object of class bbnp\_regression  
digits                Number of digits to display (default: 4)  
...                    Additional arguments (unused)

**Value**

Invisibly returns the input object

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sample\_data            *Sample Data*

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**Description**

Sample Data

**Usage**

```
sample_data
```

**Format**

A data frame with 1000 rows and 2 variables:

**X** Numeric vector, generated from 2 fold uniform distribution.

**Y** Numeric vector,  $Y = -X^2 + 3*X + rnorm(1000)*X$ .

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select_bandwidth	<i>Select Optimal Bandwidth</i>
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### Description

Selects an optimal bandwidth using the specified method.

### Usage

```
select_bandwidth(
  X,
  Y = NULL,
  method = "cv",
  kernel.fun = "normal",
  if_approx_kernel = TRUE,
  kernel.resol = 1000
)
```

### Arguments

X	A numerical vector of sample data.
Y	Optional. A numerical vector of sample data for conditional expectation estimation.
method	A string specifying the bandwidth selection method. Options are "cv" for cross-validation and "silverman" for Silverman's rule of thumb. Defaults to "cv".
kernel.fun	A string specifying the kernel type. Options include "normal", "epanechnikov", "Schennach2004", and "sinc".
if_approx_kernel	Logical. If TRUE, uses approximations for the kernel function.
kernel.resol	The resolution for kernel function approximation.

### Value

A scalar representing the optimal bandwidth.

### Examples

```
# Generate sample data
X <- rnorm(100)
# Get optimal bandwidth using cross-validation with normal kernel
h_opt <- select_bandwidth(X, method = "cv", kernel.fun = "normal")
# Get optimal bandwidth using Silverman's rule with Schennach kernel
h_opt <- select_bandwidth(X, method = "silverman", kernel.fun = "Schennach2004")
```

---

silverman\_bandwidth *Silverman's Rule of Thumb for Bandwidth Selection*

---

**Description**

Implements Silverman's rule of thumb for selecting an optimal bandwidth in kernel density estimation.

**Usage**

```
silverman_bandwidth(X, kernel_type = "normal")
```

**Arguments**

X                    A numerical vector of sample data.  
kernel\_type        A string identifying the kernel type.

**Value**

A scalar representing the optimal bandwidth.

**Examples**

```
# Generate sample data  
X <- rnorm(100)  
# Get optimal bandwidth using Silverman's rule  
h_opt <- silverman_bandwidth(X, kernel_type = "normal")
```

---

summary.bbnp\_density *Summary Method for bbnp\_density Objects*

---

**Description**

Summary Method for bbnp\_density Objects

**Usage**

```
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summary(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object              An object of class bbnp\_density  
...                  Additional arguments (unused)

**Value**

An object of class summary.bbnp\_density

summary.bbnp\_regression

*Summary Method for bbnp\_regression Objects*

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summary(object, ...)
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...	Additional arguments (unused)

### **Value**

An object of class summary.bbnp\_regression

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