

# Package: truncdist (via r-universe)

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**Description** A collection of tools to evaluate probability density functions, cumulative distribution functions, quantile functions and random numbers for truncated random variables. These functions are provided to also compute the expected value and variance. Nadarajah and Kotz (2006) developed most of the functions. QQ plots can be produced. All the probability functions in the stats, stats4 and evd packages are automatically available for truncation..

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`dtrunc`*Probability density function of truncated random variables*

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**Description**

This function computes values for the probability density function of a truncated random variable.

**Usage**

```
dtrunc(x, spec, a = -Inf, b = Inf, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	A numeric vector of quantile values
<code>spec</code>	a character value that specifies the underlying probability distribution
<code>a</code>	a numeric value for the lower bound of the random variable
<code>b</code>	a numeric value for the upper bound of the random variable
<code>...</code>	other arguments are are passed to the corresponding quantile function

**Details**

The R function is used to access the required probability density and cumulative distribution functions of the underlying unrestricted random variable.

**Value**

A vector of density function values.

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**References**

Nadarajah, S. and S. Kotz, 2006. R Programs for Computing Truncated Distributions, *Journal of Statistical Software*, 16, August 2006, <http://www.jstatsoft.org/v16/c02>

**Examples**

```
x <- seq( 0, 3, .1 )  
pdf <- dtrunc( x, spec="norm", a=1, b=2 )
```

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extrunc	<i>Expected value of a truncated random variable</i>
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### Description

This function computes the expected value of a truncated random variable using numerical integration.

### Usage

```
extrunc(spec, a = -Inf, b = Inf, ...)
```

### Arguments

spec	a character value that specifies the underlying probability distribution
a	a numeric value for the lower bound of the random variable
b	a numeric value for the upper bound of the random variable
...	other arguments are are passed to the corresponding quantile function

### Details

Numerical integration of the truncated density function is performed to compute the expected value.

### Value

A numerical value for the expectation.

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### References

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### See Also

[dtrunc](#)

### Examples

```
mu <- extrunc( spec="norm",a=1, b=2 )
```

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ptrunc

*Cumulative distribution function of a truncated random variable*

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### Description

This function compute values of the cumulative distribution function for truncated random variables.

### Usage

```
ptrunc(q, spec, a = -Inf, b = Inf, ...)
```

### Arguments

q	a numeric vector of quantile values
spec	a character value that specifies the underlying probability distribution
a	a numeric value for the lower bound of the random variable
b	a numeric value for the upper bound of the random variable
...	other arguments are are passed to the corresponding quantile function

### Value

A vector of probability values.

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### References

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### See Also

[dtrunc](#)

### Examples

```
x <- seq( 0, 3, .1 )  
cdf <- ptrunc( x, spec="norm", a=1, b=2 )
```

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qqtrunc *QQ Plot for a Truncated Random Variable*

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**Description**

This function produces a QQ plot of sample quantiles against theoretical quantiles for a truncated random variable.

**Usage**

```
qqtrunc(x, spec, a = -Inf, b = Inf, title = "Truncated Distribution Q-Q Plot",  
        xlabel = "Theoretical Quantiles", ylabel = "Sample Quantiles", ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	a numeric vector of sample values
spec	a character value that specifies the underlying probability distribution
a	a numeric value for the lower bound of the random variable
b	a numeric value for the upper bound of the random variable
title	A character value for the chart title
xlabel	A character value for the horizon axis label
ylabel	A character value for the vertical axis label
...	other arguments are are passed to the corresponding quantile function

**Value**

A plot.

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**References**

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**See Also**

[qtrunc](#)

**Examples**

```
x <- rtrunc( 500, spec="norm", a=1, b=2 )  
qqtrunc( x, spec="norm", a=1, b=2 )
```

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`qtrunc`*Quantile Function for Truncated Random Variable*

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**Description**

This function evaluates the inverse of the cumulative distribution function for a truncated random variable or so the so called quantile function for a given vector of probabilities and the specified distribution.

**Usage**

```
qtrunc(p, spec, a = -Inf, b = Inf, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>p</code>	A vector of probabilities
<code>spec</code>	a character value that specifies the underlying probability distribution
<code>a</code>	a numeric value for the lower bound of the random variable
<code>b</code>	a numeric value for the upper bound of the random variable
<code>...</code>	other arguments are are passed to the corresponding quantile and distribution function

**Value**

A vector of quantile values in the range of the truncated random variable.

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**References**

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**Examples**

```
p <- seq( .1, .9, .01 )  
q <- qtrunc( p, spec="norm", a=1, b=2 )
```

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rtrunc *Generate truncated random deviates*

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### Description

This function generates  $n$  random deviates that are drawn from the specified truncated distribution.

### Usage

```
rtrunc(n, spec, a = -Inf, b = Inf, ...)
```

### Arguments

n	a positive integer for the number of random deviates generated
spec	a character value that specifies the underlying probability distribution
a	a numeric value for the lower bound of the random variable
b	a numeric value for the upper bound of the random variable
...	other arguments are are passed to the corresponding quantile function

### Value

A vector with one or more random deviates.

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### References

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### See Also

[qtrunc](#)

### Examples

```
x <- rtrunc( 500, spec="norm", a=1, b=2 )
```

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vartrunc	<i>Variance of a truncated random variable</i>
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**Description**

This function estimates the variance of a truncated random variable using numerical integration.

**Usage**

```
vartrunc(spec, a = -Inf, b = Inf, ...)
```

**Arguments**

spec	a character value that specifies the underlying probability distribution
a	a numeric value for the lower bound of the random variable
b	a numeric value for the upper bound of the random variable
...	other arguments are are passed to the corresponding quantile function

**Details**

Numerical integration of the truncated density function is performed to compute the variance and the associated expected value.

**Value**

A numeric value.

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**References**

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**See Also**

[extrunc](#), [dtrunc](#)

**Examples**

```
var <- vartrunc( spec="norm", a=1, b=2 )
```



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