

# Package ‘SPIn’

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**Description** An optimal weighting strategy to compute simulation-efficient shortest probability intervals (spins).

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## Description

Implement an optimal weighting strategy to compute simulation efficient shortest probability intervals (spin's).

## Details

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This package contains functions for constructing and plotting simulation efficient shortest probability intervals.

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### References

Simulation efficient shortest probability intervals. (arXiv:1302.2142)

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bootSPIn

*SPIn with Bootstrap*

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### Description

Compute the shortest probability interval (spin) using SPIn with bootstrap.

### Usage

```
bootSPIn(x, n.boot = 50, conf = 0.95, bw = 0, lb = -Inf, ub = Inf, l = NA, u = NA)
```

### Arguments

x	A vector of samples from the distribution.
n.boot	Number of bootstraps.
conf	Scalar, the confidence level desired.
bw	Scalar, the bandwidth of the weighting kernel in terms of sample points. If not specified, sqrt(n) will be used, where n is the sample size.
lb, ub	Scalars, the lower and upper bounds of the distribution. If specified, a pseudo-sample point equal to the corresponding bound will be added.
l, u	Scalars, weighting centers (if provided).

### Details

spin.boot computes the shortest probability interval for a distribution using SPIn with bootstrap.

**Value**

spin.boot returns an object of `class` 'SPIn'. An object of class 'SPIn' is a list containing the following components:

spin	A vector of length 2 with the lower and upper endpoints of the interval.
conf	The confidence level.
x	A vector of samples from the distribution.
w.l,w.u	Vectors of the computed weights.
l.l,l.u,u.l,u.u	Endpoints of the weights.

**Note**

This function assumes that the distribution is unimodal, and computes only 1 interval, not the set of intervals that are appropriate for multimodal distributions.

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**References**

Simulation efficient shortest probability intervals. (arXiv:1302.2142)

**See Also**

[plot.SPIn,SPIn](#)

**Examples**

```
x <- rgamma(100,3)
bootSPIn(x)
```

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plot.SPIn

*Plot the Results from SPIn or bootSPIn*

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**Description**

Plot the histogram, the kernel density estimate, the shortest probability interval and the central interval.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

`x` SPIn object, result of `SPIn` or `bootSPIn`.  
`...` See `plot`.

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**References**

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**See Also**

[SPIn](#), [bootSPIn](#)

**Examples**

```
x <- rgamma(100, 3)
r <- bootSPIn(x)
plot(r)
```

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SPIn

*Simulation Efficient Shortest Probability Intervals*

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**Description**

Compute the shortest probability interval (spin) using an optimal weighting strategy.

**Usage**

```
SPIn(x, conf = 0.95, bw = 0, lb = -Inf, ub = Inf, l=NA, u=NA)
```

**Arguments**

`x` A vector of samples from the distribution.  
`conf` Scalar, the confidence level desired.  
`bw` Scalar, the bandwidth of the weighting kernel in terms of sample points. If not specified, `sqrt(n)` will be used, where `n` is the sample size.  
`lb, ub` Scalars, the lower and upper bounds of the distribution. If specified, a pseudo-sample point equal to the corresponding bound will be added.  
`l, u` Scalars, weighting centers (if provided).

**Details**

`SPIn` computes the shortest probability interval for a distribution using an optimal weighting strategy. Quadratic programming is used to determine the optimal weights.

**Value**

SPIn returns an object of `class` 'SPIn'. An object of class 'SPIn' is a list containing the following components:

<code>spin</code>	A vector of length 2 with the lower and upper endpoints of the interval.
<code>conf</code>	The confidence level.
<code>x</code>	A vector of samples from the distribution.
<code>w.l, w.u</code>	Vectors of the computed weights.
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**See Also**

[bootSPIn](#), [plot.SPIn](#)

**Examples**

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x <- rgamma(100, 3)
SPIn(x)
```

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