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ChangepointTesting-package

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**References**

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**Usage**

```
changePoint(pvalues, alpha, km, lm, compare = "BOTH", fdrWindow = 3,
            fdrNStep = 300, fdrLambda = 0.1)
```

**Arguments**

pvalues	an object of class numeric. A vector of p-values.
alpha	an object of class numeric. The significant level for the estimation of the critical value, $\gamma^*$ .
km	an object of class numeric. The size of the window defining the neighborhood in left and right distances.
lm	an object of class numeric. The size of the window defining the neighborhood in the long-run variance estimation.
compare	one of ("FDRL", "BH", "Both", "None"). In addition to the Cao-Wu method, obtain significance indicators using the FDR_L method (FDRL) (Zhang et al., 2011), the Benjamini-Hochberg method (BH), (Benjamini and Hochberg, 1995), "both" the FDRL and the BH methods, or do not consider alternative methods (none).
fdrWindow	an object of class numeric. If FDR_L method requested, the size of the window defining the neighborhood.
fdrNStep	an object of class numeric. If FDR_L method requested, the number of threshold values to consider.
fdrLambda	and object of class numeric. If FDR_L method requested, the tuning constant.

**Details**

The comparison capability is included only for convenience and reproducibility of the original manuscript. The Benjamini-Hochberg and FDR\_L methods cannot be accessed outside of the changePoint function.

The following methods retrieve individual results from a changePoint object, x:

BH(x): Retrieves a vector of integer values. An element is 1 if the null hypothesis is rejected by the Benjamini-Hochberg (1995) method.

blocks(x): Retrieves a list, each element of which is a vector of integer values. Each vector contains the indices of an alternative hypothesis block.

CW(x): Retrieves a vector of integer values. An element is 1 if the null hypothesis is rejected by the Cao-Wu change point (2015) method.

changePts(x): Retrieves a vector of integer values. The vector of change points identified by the Cao-Wu (2015) method. If no change points are identified, NULL is returned.

FDRL(x): Retrieves a vector of integer values. Elements are 1 if the null hypothesis is rejected by the FDR\_L (Zhang et al. 2011) method.

critical(x): Retrieves the estimated critical value for testing used by the Cao-Wu (2015) method.

numAlt(x): Retrieves the estimated number of alternative hypotheses obtained by the Cao-Wu (2015) method.

`piAlt(x)`: Retrieves the estimated proportion of alternative hypotheses obtained by the Cao-Wu (2015) method.

`plot(x, y, logp, ...)`: Generates plots of  $-\log(p)$  vs position or p-value vs position for each alternative hypothesis block obtained by the Cao-Wu (2015) method. `logp` is TRUE/FALSE indicating if  $-\log(p)$ /p-values are plotted on the y-axis.

`sigmaSq(x)`: Retrieves the estimated variance used to determine the critical value of the Cao-Wu (2015) method.

### Value

Returns an object of class `changePoint`.

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### References

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### Examples

```
m <- 5000

T <- c(rep(0.1, 75), rep( 0.8, 75), rep(1.8, 100),
      rep(0.0,2250), rep(-1.5,250), rep(0.0,2250)) +
  rnorm(m, mean=0.0, sd = 1.0)

pv <- 2.0*(1.0-pnorm(abs(T)))

res <- changePoint(pvalues = pv,
                  alpha = 0.05,
                  km = {log(m)}^2,
                  lm = m^{1/4},
                  compare = "Both")

print(changePts(res))

print(head(cbind(BH(res),FDRL(res),CW(res))))
```

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changePoint-class      *Class "changePoint"*

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### Description

Value object returned by call to `changePoint()`.

### Objects from the Class

This object should not be created by users.

### Slots

**CW:** Object of class `numeric` or `NULL`. A vector of 1/0 values; 1 indicates that hypothesis was rejected by the Cao-Wu method.

**chgPts:** Object of class `numeric` or `NULL`. The vector of change points identified by the Cao-Wu method. If no change points are identified, `NULL`.

**pi\_alt:** Object of class `numeric`. The estimated proportion of alternative hypotheses calculated using the Cao-Wu method.

**num\_alt:** Object of class `numeric`. The estimated number of alternative hypotheses calculated using the Cao-Wu method.

**FDRL:** Object of class `numeric` or `NULL`. A vector of 1/0 values; 1 indicates that hypothesis was rejected by the `FDR_L` method.

**BH:** Object of class `numeric` or `NULL`. A vector of 1/0 values; 1 indicates that hypothesis was rejected by the `FDR_L` method.

**gammaStar:** Object of class `numeric`. The estimated critical value for testing used by the Cao-Wu method.

**sigmaSq:** Object of class `numeric`. The estimated variance used to determine the critical value of the Cao-Wu method.

**pVals:** Object of class `numeric`. The original p-values provided as input.

### Methods

**BH** `signature(x = "changePoint")`: Retrieves a vector of integer values. An element is 1 if the null hypothesis is rejected by the Benjamini-Hochberg (1995) method.

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**CW** `signature(x = "changePoint")`: Retrieves a vector of integer values. An element is 1 if the null hypothesis is rejected by the Cao-Wu change point (2015) method.

**changePts** `signature(x = "changePoint")`: Retrieves a vector of integer values. The vector of change points identified by the Cao-Wu (2015) method. If no change points are identified, `NULL` is returned.

**FDRL** `signature(x = "changePoint")`: Retrieves a vector of integer values. Elements are 1 if the null hypothesis is rejected by the `FDR_L` (Zhang et al. 2011) method.

- critical** signature(x = "changePoint"): Retrieves the estimated critical value for testing used by the Cao-Wu (2015) method.
- numAlt** signature(x = "changePoint"): Retrieves the estimated number of alternative hypotheses obtained by the Cao-Wu (2015) method.
- piAlt** signature(x = "changePoint"): Retrieves the estimated proportion of alternative hypotheses obtained by the Cao-Wu (2015) method.
- plot** signature(x = "changePoint", y = "missing", logp = FALSE, ...): Generates x-y plots of  $-\log(p)$  vs position or p-value vs position for each alternative hypothesis block obtained by the Cao-Wu (2015) method. logp is TRUE/FALSE indicating if  $-\log(p)$ /p-values are plotted on the y-axis.
- sigmaSq** signature(x = "changePoint"): Retrieves the estimated variance used to determine the critical value of the Cao-Wu (2015) method.

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### Examples

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showClass("changePoint")
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