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**Description** Landsat satellites collect important data about global forest conditions. Documentation about Landsat's role in forest disturbance estimation is available at the site <<https://landsat.gsfc.nasa.gov/>>. By constrained quadratic B-splines, this package delivers an optimal shape-restricted trajectory to a time series of Landsat imagery for the purpose of modeling annual forest disturbance dynamics to behave in an ecologically sensible manner assuming one of seven possible ``shapes", namely, flat, decreasing, one-jump (decreasing, jump up, decreasing), inverted vee (increasing then decreasing), vee (decreasing then increasing), linear increasing, and double-jump (decreasing, jump up, decreasing, jump up, decreasing). The main routine selects the best shape according to the minimum Bayes information criterion (BIC) or the cone information criterion (CIC), which is defined as the log of the estimated predictive squared error. The package also provides parameters summarizing the temporal pattern including year(s) of inflection, magnitude of change, pre- and post-inflection rates of growth or recovery. In addition, it contains routines for converting a flat map of disturbance agents to time-series disturbance maps and a graphical routine displaying the fitted trajectory of Landsat imagery.

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ShapeSelectForest-package

*Shape Selection for Landsat Time Series of Forest Dynamics*

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## Description

Given a scatterplot of  $(x_i, y_i)$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , where  $\mathbf{x}$  could be a vector of years and  $\mathbf{y}$  could be a vector of Landsat signals, constrained least-squares spline fits are obtained for the following shapes:

- 1. flat
- 2. decreasing
- 3. one-jump, i.e., decreasing, jump up, decreasing
- 4. inverted vee (increasing then decreasing)
- 5. vee (decreasing then increasing)
- 6. linear increasing
- 7. double-jump, i.e., decreasing, jump up, decreasing, jump up, decreasing.

The shape with the smallest information criterion may be considered a "best" fit. This shape-selection problem was motivated by a need to identify types of disturbances to areas of forest, given Landsat signals over a number of years. The satellite signal is constant or slowly decreasing for a healthy forest, with a jump upward in the signal caused by mass destruction of trees.

The main routine to select the shape for a scatterplot is "shape". See [shape](#) for more details.

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edf0s

A 21 by 7 Matrix Storing Edf0 Vectors

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## Description

The object "edf0s" is a 21 by 7 matrix. Each row is an edf0 vector of 7 elements corresponding to the 7 shapes in this package. Such a vector will be used in the main routine "shape" to select the best shape for a scatterplot of Landsat signals. Each edf0 vector is simulated through a subroutine called "getedf0", using a total of 1000 simulations with the random seed being set to 123. Each row is an edf0 vector for an equally spaced  $x$  vector of  $n$  elements (e.g., years). From the first row to the last row, the edf0 vector is for a predictor vector  $x$  of length  $n$  which is an integer ranging from 20 to 40. The matrix is built for the convenience of users when they call the routine "shape".

If the  $x$  vector is equally spaced and its number of elements  $n$  is between 20 and 40, then a corresponding edf0 vector will be extracted directly from this matrix and no simulation will be done, which saves a lot of time; otherwise, the subroutine "getedf0" will be called inside the routine "shape" to get an edf0 vector for  $x$ . The timing depends on the number of elements in  $x$  and the shape options allowed by the user. For example, when  $x$  is an equally spaced vector of 26 elements, the timing is about 167 seconds if the user allows a double-jump shape and the timing is about 12 seconds if the user doesn't allow a double-jump shape. Also, when  $x$  is not an equally spaced vector, no matter how many elements it has, "getedf0" should be called.

## Usage

```
data("edf0s")
```

## Format

A 21 by 7 matrix.

## See Also

[shape](#), [ShapeSelectForest-package](#)

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`f2a.map.jpeg``f2a.map.jpeg`

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### Description

Creates a time series of jpegs. One jpeg is created for each year of the map output of [f2a.raster](#).

### Usage

```
f2a.map.jpeg(years, folder, OUTPUT.fn, height = 10,  
width = 10 * (dim(mapgrid.dist)[2] / dim(mapgrid.dist)[1]),  
units = "in", res = 400)
```

### Arguments

<code>years</code>	Vector of the years included in the time series data.
<code>folder</code>	Folder (full path) containing the input rasters. This is also the folder where the output will be written.
<code>OUTPUT.fn</code>	Filename of output from <a href="#">f2a.raster</a> .
<code>height</code>	The height of the device.
<code>width</code>	The width of the device. The default is the width that will give accurate ratio of height to width for a raster.
<code>units</code>	The units in which height and width are given, which can be px (pixels, the default), in (inches), cm or mm.
<code>res</code>	The nominal resolution in ppi which will be recorded in the bitmap file, if a positive integer. Also used for units other than the default. If not specified, taken as 300 ppi to set the size of text and line widths.

### Details

Creates one jpeg for each year in years.

### Value

Returns nothing

### Author(s)

Liz Freeman

### See Also

[f2a.raster](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:
# define years
years <- c(1984, 1986:2010)

# define a folder for all outputs
folder.in <- paste(system.file(package = "ShapeSelectForest"),
"extdata", "helpexamples", sep = "/")
folder.out <- getwd()

# define filenames
flat.pred.fn <- "MINI_FLATPRED.img"
b5.fn <- "MINI_B5.img"
fi.fn <- "MINI_FI.img"
nbr.fn <- "MINI_NBR.img"
ndvi.fn <- "MINI_NDVI.img"
INPUT.bands <- c(b5.fn, fi.fn, nbr.fn, ndvi.fn)

# call f2a.raster
ans1 <- f2a.raster(years = years, folder.in = folder.in, folder.out = folder.out,
OUTPUT.fn <- "f2a_example.img", flat.pred.fn = flat.pred.fn, INPUT.bands = INPUT.bands)

# create jpegs
ans2 <- f2a.map.jpeg(years = years, folder = folder.out, OUTPUT.fn = "f2a_example.img")

## End(Not run)
```

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f2a.raster

*Raster based flat-to-annual function.*


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## Description

Applies [flat2annual](#) to each pixel in a raster to produce time series maps of disturbance.

## Usage

```
f2a.raster(years, folder.in, folder.out, OUTPUT.fn, flat.pred.fn, INPUT.bands,
layer.shape = 1, layer.dyr = 2, layer.dur = 5)
```

## Arguments

years	Vector of the years included in the time series data.
folder.in	Folder (full path) containing the input rasters.
folder.out	Folder where the output will be written.
OUTPUT.fn	Filename for output. The extension of this filename will specify the output file type. For image files, OUTPUT.fn should end in .img.

`flat.pred.fn`      Filename of a single layer `.img` file of the disturbance agents. The agents are specified by the integers from 0 to 6.

0	Unclassified
1	Conversion
2	Fire
3	Harvest
4	Stable
5	Stress
6	Recovery

`INPUT.bands`      Filenames of the multi-layer `.img` files of the shapes to be used.

`layer.shape`      Number giving the layer of the shape files containing the shape data.

`layer.dyr`        Number giving the layer of the shape files containing the disturbance year data.

`layer.dur`        Number giving the layer of the shape files containing the disturbance duration data.

### Details

The function writes a multi-layer raster with one layer for each year in `years` given the predicted agent for each pixel at each year.

The layers for `shape`, `dyr` and `dur` need to be the same in all files named in `INPUT.bands`. The default is `layer.shape = 1`, `layer.dyr = 2`, and `layer.dur = 5`.

### Value

The function does not return a value. Instead, a multi-band `.img` map file is created.

### Author(s)

Liz Freeman

### See Also

[flat2annual](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:
# define years
years <- c(1984, 1986:2010)

# define a folder for all output
folder.in <- paste(system.file(package = "ShapeSelectForest"),
"extdata", "helpexamples", sep = "/")
folder.out <- getwd()

# define filenames
flat.pred.fn <- "MINI_FLATPRED.img"
```

```

b5.fn <- "MINI_B5.img"
fi.fn <- "MINI_FI.img"
nbr.fn <- "MINI_NBR.img"
ndvi.fn <- "MINI_NDVI.img"
INPUT.bands <- c(b5.fn, fi.fn, nbr.fn, ndvi.fn)

# call f2a.raster
ans <- f2a.raster(years = years, folder.in = folder.in, folder.out = folder.out,
OUTPUT.fn = "f2a_example.img", flat.pred.fn = flat.pred.fn, INPUT.bands = INPUT.bands)

## End(Not run)

```

f2p.raster

*Raster based flat-to-parameter function.***Description**

Applies [flat2parameter](#) to each pixel in a raster to produce maps of disturbance parameters.

**Usage**

```
f2p.raster(years, folder.in, folder.out, OUTPUT.fn, flat.pred.fn, INPUT.bands,
layer.shape = 1, layer.dyr = 2, layer.dur = 5, layer.mag = 3)
```

**Arguments**

years	Vector of the years included in the time series data.
folder.in	Folder (full path) containing the input rasters.
folder.out	Folder where the output will be written.
OUTPUT.fn	Filename for output. The extension of this filename will specify the output file type. For image files, OUTPUT.fn should end in .img
flat.pred.fn	Filename of a single layer .img file of the disturbance agents. The agents are specified by the integers from 0 to 6. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0 Unclassified</li> <li>1 Conversion</li> <li>2 Fire</li> <li>3 Harvest</li> <li>4 Stable</li> <li>5 Stress</li> <li>6 Recovery</li> </ul>
INPUT.bands	File names of the multi-layer .img files of the shapes to be used.
layer.shape	Number giving the layer of the shape files containing the shape data.
layer.dyr	Number giving the layer of the shape files containing the disturbance year data.
layer.dur	Number giving the layer of the shape files containing the disturbance duration data.
layer.mag	Number giving the layer of the shape files containing the disturbance magnitude data.

## Details

The function writes a seven-layer raster with layers for disturbance agent, median disturbance year, median disturbance duration and magnitude of all image files given in `INPUT.bands`, in the order the filenames are listed in `INPUT.bands`.

The layers for shape, dyr and dur need to be the same in all files named in `INPUT.bands`. The default is `layer.shape = 1`, `layer.dyr = 2`, `layer.dur = 5`, and `layer.mag = 3`.

If, for example, `INPUT.bands = c(b5.fn, fi.fn, nbr.fn, and ndvi.fn)`, then the layers of the output file are:

- 1 Disturbance Agent
- 2 Disturbance Year
- 3 Disturbance Duration
- 4 Magnitude B5
- 5 Magnitude FI
- 6 Magnitude NBR
- 7 Magnitude NDVI

## Value

The function does not return a value. Instead, a multi-band `.img` map file is created.

## Author(s)

Liz Freeman

## See Also

[flat2annual](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:
# define years
years <- c(1984, 1986:2010)

# define a folder for all output
folder.in <- paste(system.file(package = "ShapeSelectForest"),
"extdata", "helpexamples", sep = "/")
folder.out <- getwd()

# define filenames
flat.pred.fn <- "MINI_FLATPRED.img"
b5.fn <- "MINI_B5.img"
fi.fn <- "MINI_FI.img"
nbr.fn <- "MINI_NBR.img"
ndvi.fn <- "MINI_NDVI.img"
INPUT.bands <- c(b5.fn, fi.fn, nbr.fn, ndvi.fn)

# call f2p.raster
ans <- f2p.raster(years = years, folder.in = folder.in, folder.out = folder.out,
```

```

OUTPUT.fn = "f2p_example.img", flat.pred.fn = flat.pred.fn, INPUT.bands = INPUT.bands)

## End(Not run)

```

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flat2annual	<i>flat2annual</i>
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## Description

Identifies the disturbance year of a single pixel or a plot location.

## Usage

```
flat2annual(years, all.shapes, all.durs, all.dyrs, mtbs, flat.pred)
```

## Arguments

years	Vector of the years included in the time series data.
all.shapes	Vector (length 4) of the shapes of the four remote sensing bands. Shape values range from 1 to 7.
all.durs	Vector (length 4) of the duration of each shape.
all.dyrs	Vector (length 4) of the year of each shape.
mtbs	MTBS
flat.pred	Predicted disturbance Agent. Agent values range from 0 to 6.

## Details

flat2annual can be used on either a single pixel or on a single data point in a data frame.

## Value

Returns a vector of the same length as years with a predicted agent for each year in years.

## Author(s)

Liz Freeman

## Examples

```

# define years
years <- c(2001:2010)

# define parameters
all.shapes <- c(1, 4, 5, 3)
all.dyrs <- c(2001, 0, 2004, 2004)
all.durs <- c(1, 0, 3, 5)
flat.pred <- 5

```

```
# call flat2annual
ans <- flat2annual(years = years, all.shapes = all.shapes, all.durs = all.durs,
all.dyrs = all.dyrs, mtbs = mtbs, flat.pred = flat.pred)
```

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flat2parameter	<i>flat2parameter</i>
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### Description

Based on the disturbance type and the shapes of the four remote sensing bands, a vector of averaged parameters is produced. Which bands are included in the average depends on both the predicted disturbance type and the shapes of the four bands.

### Usage

```
flat2parameter(years, all.shapes, all.durs, all.dyrs, all.mags, mtbs, flat.pred)
```

### Arguments

years	Vector of the years included in the time series data.
all.shapes	Vector (length 4) of the shapes of the four remote sensing bands. Shape values range from 1 to 7.
all.durs	Vector (length 4) of the duration of each shape.
all.dyrs	Vector (length 4) of the year of each shape.
all.mags	Vector (length 4) of the magnitude of each shape.
mtbs	MTBS.
flat.pred	Predicted disturbance Agent. Agent values range from 0 to 6.

### Details

`flat2parameter` can be used on either a single pixel or on a single data point in a data frame.

### Value

Returns a vector of length 4 containing the average disturbance year, the duration, the magnitude, and the predicted type.

### Author(s)

Liz Freeman

**Examples**

```
# define years
years <- c(2001:2010)

# define parameters
all.shapes <- c(1, 4, 5, 3)
all.dyrs <- c(2001, 0, 2004, 2004)
all.durs <- c(1, 0, 3, 5)
all.mags <- c(100, 0, 1000, 1500)
flat.pred <- 5

# call flat2parameter
ans <- flat2parameter(years = years, all.shapes = all.shapes, all.durs = all.durs,
all.dyrs = all.dyrs, all.mags = all.mags, mtbs = mtbs, flat.pred = flat.pred)
```

getedf0

*Get the Edf0 Vector for the Shape Routine***Description**

An edf0 vector is the estimated "null expected degrees of freedom" for shapes allowed by the user. It is an input of the main routine "shape" and it is used to select the best shape for a scatterplot. See Meyer (2013a) and Meyer (2013b) for further details.

**Usage**

```
getedf0(x, flat = TRUE, dec = TRUE, jp = TRUE, invec = TRUE,
vee = TRUE, inc = TRUE, db = TRUE, nsim = 1e+3, random = FALSE, msg = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

x	A $n$ by 1 predictor vector, for example, years.
flat	A logical flag. If it is TRUE, there is a flat shape choice; otherwise, there is no such a shape option.
dec	A logical flag. If it is TRUE, there is a decreasing shape choice; otherwise, there is no such a shape option.
jp	A logical flag. If it is TRUE, there is a one-jump shape choice; otherwise, there is no such a shape option.
invec	A logical flag. If it is TRUE, there is an inverted-vee shape choice; otherwise, there is no such a shape option.
vee	A logical flag. If it is TRUE, there is a vee shape choice; otherwise, there is no such a shape option.
inc	A logical flag. If it is TRUE, there is an increasing shape choice; otherwise, there is no such a shape option.
db	A logical flag. If it is TRUE, there is a double-jump option; otherwise, there is no such a shape option.

nsim	Number of simulations used to get the edf0 vector. The default is nsim = 1e+3.
random	A parameter used by the maintainer to test if each shape option can be both included and excluded.
msg	A logical flag. If msg is TRUE, then a warning message will be printed when there is a non-convergence problem; otherwise no warning message will be printed. The default is msg = FALSE

### Details

Because the calculations for the edf0 vector for a given set of  $x$  values (e.g., years) is time-consuming, this is accomplished in the subroutine "getedf0", and the edf0 vector is an input to the main routine "shape". In this way the edf0 values can be determined for one set of years and used for many scatterplots.

### Value

The edf0 values for all shape options allowed by the user.

### Author(s)

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### References

- Meyer, M. C. (2013a) Semi-parametric additive constrained regression. *Journal of Nonparametric Statistics* **25**(3), 715
- Meyer, M. C. (2013b) A simple new algorithm for quadratic programming with applications in statistics. *Communications in Statistics* **42**(5), 1126–1139.

### See Also

[shape](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:
# define the predictor vector: the year 1985 to the year 2010
x <- 1985:2010

# call the getedf0 routine without a double-jump option
edf0 <- getedf0(x, db = FALSE)

## End(Not run)
```

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plotshape

*The Plot Routine for an Object of the Shape Routine*


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### Description

This routine can plot the best shape selected by the shape routine for each scatterplot of Landsat signals. It can also plot the "BIC" or "CIC" values against shapes for each scatterplot, which is a way to verify that the best shape selected has the smallest "BIC" or "CIC" value.

### Usage

```
plotshape(object, ids = 1, color = "mediumorchid4", lty = 1, lwd = 1,
cex = .83, cex.main = .93, form = TRUE, icpic = FALSE, both = TRUE,
tt = NULL, transpose = FALSE, plot = graphics::plot)
```

### Arguments

object	An object of the shape routine.
ids	An integer vector representing a subset of the columns of ymat in the shape routine. Each column of ymat is a time series of Landsat imagery. Suppose that the dimension of ymat is $n$ by $k$ , then each element of "ids" should be an integer between 1 and $k$ . The default is <code>ids = 1</code> .
color	The col argument inherited from the plot routine. The default is <code>color = "mediumorchid4"</code> .
lty	The lty argument inherited from the lines routine. The default is <code>lty = 1</code> .
lwd	The lwd argument inherited from the lines routine. The default is <code>lwd = 1</code> .
cex	The cex argument inherited from the plot routine. The default is <code>cex = .83</code> .
cex.main	The cex.main argument inherited from the par routine. The default is <code>cex.main = .93</code> .
form	A logical flag. If it is TRUE, the user will let the plotshape routine to decide the layout of pictures corresponding to the elements in the "ids" vector; otherwise, the user needs to define the layout of pictures before they call the plotshape routine using <code>par(mfrow = ...)</code> or <code>par(mfcol = ...)</code> . The default is <code>form = TRUE</code> .
icpic	A logical flag. Given an "ids" vector, if it is TRUE, "BIC" or "CIC" values will be plotted against all shapes allowed by the user and the fitted trajectory will not be plotted; otherwise, the fitted trajectory will also be plotted. The default is <code>icpic = FALSE</code> .
both	A logical flag. If it is TRUE, then for each element of the "ids" vector, both the fitted trajectory and the "BIC" or "CIC" plot will be made; otherwise, the "BIC" or "CIC" values will not be plotted. The default is <code>both = TRUE</code> .
tt	A vector of titles. The user can define its element as a name of the location for a scatterplot, like "Pixel 420". The default is <code>tt = NULL</code> .

transpose	A logical flag which can be used only when form is TRUE. If form is TRUE, then the user can transpose the layout the plotshape routine uses to arrange the pictures. For example, the user wants to make 2 pictures, and the default layout of this routine is 2 rows and 1 column. By setting transpose equal to TRUE, the layout will be 1 row and 2 columns. The default is transpose = TRUE.
plot	The genetic plot routine in graphics.

**Value**

A plot showing the fitted trajectory of the best shape, or showing the "BIC" or "CIC" values against shapes of an object of the shape routine.

**Author(s)**

Xiyue Liao

**See Also**

[shape](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
# import the matrix of Landsat signals
data("ymat")

# define the predictor vector: the year 1985 to the year 2010
x <- 1985:2010

# make a fit by the shape routine using "CIC"
# and not allow a double jump shape.
ans <- shape(x, ymat, "CIC", db = FALSE)

# make a plot for the 1st column of ymat
plotshape(ans, ids = 1, both = TRUE, form = TRUE, tt = "Pixel 420")

# transpose the layout
plotshape(ans, ids = 1, both = TRUE, form = TRUE, tt = "Pixel 420", transpose = TRUE)

# make a plot for each of the first 6 columns of ymat
# showing the best shape
# and "CIC" values against the 7 shapes for each plot.
par(mfrow = c(3, 2))
plotshape(ans, ids = 1:6)

# make a plot for each of the first 6 columns of ymat
# showing both the best shape
# and "CIC" values against the 7 shapes for each plot.
# Let the routine make the layout.
plotshape(ans, ids = 1:6, form = TRUE, col = 2)

# plot the ic values only
```

```

plotshape(ans, ids = 1:6, form = TRUE, col = 5, icpic = TRUE)

# make a title vector
tts <- paste('Pixel', 1:36, sep = " ")

# make all plots for the 36 scatterplots with the title vector
plotshape(ans, ids = 1:15, both = TRUE, form = TRUE, tt = tts[1:15], cex = .5)
plotshape(ans, ids = 16:30, both = TRUE, form = TRUE, tt = tts[16:30], lty = 2, cex = .3)
plotshape(ans, ids = 31:36, both = TRUE, form = TRUE, tt = tts[31:36], lty = 2, cex = .1)

## End(Not run)

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shape

*Shape Selection*


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### Description

Given a predictor vector  $x$ , e.g., years, and a matrix *y<sub>mat</sub>* whose columns are response vectors, e.g., Landsat signals. The shape routine will select a shape that is the best fit for each response vector according to the Bayes information criterion (BIC) or the cone information criterion (CIC).

### Usage

```

shape(x, ymat, infocrit = "CIC", flat = TRUE, dec = TRUE, jp = TRUE,
invee = TRUE, vee = TRUE, inc = TRUE, db = TRUE, nsim = 1e+3,
edf0 = NULL, get.edf0 = FALSE, random = FALSE, msg = FALSE)

```

### Arguments

<code>x</code>	A $n$ by 1 predictor vector, for example, years.
<code>ymat</code>	A $n$ by $N$ matrix whose columns are response vectors corresponding to $x$ , for example, Landsat signals.
<code>infocrit</code>	The criterion used to select the best shape for a scatterplot. It can either be the Bayes information criterion (BIC) or the cone information criterion (CIC).
<code>flat</code>	A logical flag. If it is TRUE, there is a flat shape choice; otherwise, there is no such a shape option.
<code>dec</code>	A logical flag. If it is TRUE, there is a decreasing shape choice; otherwise, there is no such a shape option.
<code>jp</code>	A logical flag. If it is TRUE, there is a one-jump shape choice; otherwise, there is no such a shape option.
<code>invee</code>	A logical flag. If it is TRUE, there is an inverted-vee shape choice; otherwise, there is no such a shape option.
<code>vee</code>	A logical flag. If it is TRUE, there is a vee shape choice; otherwise, there is no such a shape option.
<code>inc</code>	A logical flag. If it is TRUE, there is an increasing shape choice; otherwise, there is no such a shape option.

db	A logical flag. If it is TRUE, there is a double-jump shape choice; otherwise, there is no such a shape option. The routine is usually slower when there is a double-jump shape choice than it is when there is no such a choice.
nsim	Number of simulations used to get the edf0 vector. The default is nsim = 1e+3. See references in this section for more details about edf0.
edf0	The edf0 given by the user. When $x$ is an equally spaced vector whose number of elements is between 20 and 40. The user doesn't need to provide an edf0 vector; otherwise, the user has to set get.edf0 to be TRUE such that the shape routine will simulate an edf0 vector, or the user can choose to simulate an edf0 vector by the getedf0 routine and provide the edf0 vector to the shape routine with this argument. The default is edf0 = NULL.
get.edf0	A logical flag. When $x$ is not an equally spaced vector whose number of elements is between 20 and 40. The user has to set get.edf0 to be TRUE such that the shape routine will simulate an edf0 vector, or the user can choose to simulate an edf0 vector by the "getedf0" routine and provide the edf0 vector to the shape routine with the edf0 argument. The default is get.edf0 = FALSE.
random	A parameter used by the maintainer to test if each shape option can be both included and excluded.
msg	A logical flag. If msg is TRUE, then a warning message will be printed when there is a non-convergence problem; otherwise no warning message will be printed. The default is msg = FALSE

## Details

Given a scatterplot of  $(x_i, y_i)$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , where  $x$  could be a vector of years and  $y$  could be a vector of Landsat signals, constrained least-squares spline fits are obtained for the following shapes:

- 1. flat
- 2. decreasing
- 3. one-jump, i.e., decreasing, jump up, decreasing
- 4. inverted vee (increasing then decreasing)
- 5. vee (decreasing then increasing)
- 6. linear increasing
- 7. double-jump, i.e., decreasing, jump up, decreasing, jump up, decreasing.

The "shape" routine chooses one of the shapes allowed by the user based on the minimum Bayes information criterion (BIC) or the cone information criterion (CIC). It also returns the information criterion (IC) values for shapes allowed by the user. Fitting method is constrained quadratic B-splines, number of knots depends on number of observations. The cone projection algorithm used in this routine is implemented by the **R** package **coneproj**.

See references cited in this section and the official manual (<https://cran.r-project.org/package=coneproj>) for the **R** package **coneproj** for more details.

**Value**

shape	A $N$ by 1 vector. The $i$ th element is the best shape for each of the $i$ th scatterplot.
ic	A $k$ by $N$ matrix where the $i$ th column is the vector of "BIC" or "CIC" values used to choose the best shape for the $i$ th scatterplot. $k$ is the number of shapes allowed by the user.
thetab	A $n$ by $N$ matrix where the $i$ th column is the vector of predicted values for the chosen shape for the $i$ th scatterplot.
x	The argument x.
ymat	The argument ymat.
infocrit	The argument infocrit.
k	The number of knots used.
bs	A list of coefficient vectors. Each vector is the vector of coefficients for regression basis functions for each scatterplot.
ijps	A list storing the position of the first jump for scatterplots whose best shape is one-jump or double-jump. It also stores the position of the knot from where $f$ starts increasing (decreasing) for scatterplots whose best shape is vee (inverted vee).
jjps	A list storing the position of the second jump for scatterplots whose best shape is double-jump.
m_is	A vector storing the centering values for the first ramp edge for scatterplots whose best shape is one-jump or double-jump.
m_js	A vector storing the centering values for the second ramp edge for scatterplots whose best shape is double-jump.
tm	Total cpu running time.

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**See Also**

[plotshape](#), [edf0s](#)

**Examples**

```

# import the matrix of Landsat signals
data("ymat")

# define the predictor vector: the year 1985 to the year 2010
x <- 1985:2010
## Not run:
# Example 1:
# call the shape routine allowing a double jump shape using "BIC"
ans <- shape(x, ymat, "BIC")
plotshape(ans, ids = 1:6, both = TRUE, form = TRUE)

## End(Not run)
## Not run:
# Example 2:
# call the shape routine not allowing a double jump shape using "CIC"
ans <- shape(x, ymat, "CIC", db = FALSE)
plotshape(ans, ids = 1:6, both = TRUE, form = TRUE)

## End(Not run)

```

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shapeparams

*Shape Parameters*


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**Description**

Given the output from the shape function (including the chosen shape, chosen information criteria value *ic*, vector of fitted values *thetab*, and corresponding  $x$ , e.g., years), this routine calculates a set of parameters that describe the behavior of the fitted trajectory.

**Usage**

```
shapeparams(shapenum, ic, thetab, x)
```

**Arguments**

shapenum	A number with the index 1 to 7.
ic	A $k$ by $N$ matrix where the $i$ th column is the vector of "BIC" or "CIC" values used to choose the best shape for the $i$ th scatterplot. $k$ is the number of shapes allowed by the user.
thetab	A $n$ by $N$ matrix where the $i$ th column is the vector of predicted values for the chosen shape for the $i$ th scatterplot.
x	A $n$ by 1 predictor vector, e.g., years.

**Value**

shapenum	the shapenum argument
pre.rate	annual rate of decline prior to the primary change point
pre.rate2	annual rate of decline prior to the secondary change point
dist.yr	year of the primary change points
dist2.yr	year of the secondary change points
dist.mag	difference in predicted values before and after primary change events
dist2.mag	difference in predicted values before and after secondary change events
dist.mag2	difference in predicted values before and after primary change points scaled by starting value
dist2.mag2	difference in predicted values before and after secondary change points scaled by starting value
dist.dur	duration of the change event before resuming a downward turn
dist2.dur	duration of the change event before resuming a downward turn
post.rate	annual rate of decline after the end of the primary change event
post2.rate	annual rate of decline after the end of the secondary change event
my.ic	information criteria value for the chosen shape

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**See Also**

[shape](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
# import the matrix of Landsat signals
data("ymat")

# define the predictor vector: the year 1985 to the year 2010
x <- 1985:2010

# call the shape routine allowing a double-jump shape using "CIC"
ans <- shape(x, ymat, "CIC")

# Example 1: parameters for a flat shape
flat_id <- which(ans$shape == 1)
```

```
i <- flat_id[1]
ans_flat <- shapeparams(ans$shape[i], ans$ic[, i], ans$thetab[, i], x)

# Example 2: parameters for a one-jump shape
jp_id <- which(ans$shape == 3)
i <- jp_id[1]
ans_jp <- shapeparams(ans$shape[i], ans$ic[, i], ans$thetab[, i], x)

# Example 3: parameters for a double-jump shape
db_id <- which(ans$shape == 7)
i <- db_id[1]
ans_db <- shapeparams(ans$shape[i], ans$ic[, i], ans$thetab[, i], x)

## End(Not run)
```

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ymat

*Response Variable Matrix*

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### **Description**

This is a 26 by 36 matrix. Each column is a trajectory of Landsat signals corresponding to 26 consecutive years ranging from 1985 to 2010. It will be used in some examples of this package. They are trajectories from 36 pixels in South Carolina.

### **Usage**

```
data("ymat")
```

### **Format**

A 26 by 36 matrix.

### **Source**

US Forest Service

### **See Also**

[shape](#), [plotshape](#)

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