

# Package ‘MiscMath’

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**Description**

A random assortment of elementary mathematical formulas and calculators.

**Examples**

```
# Find the greatest common divisor of 57, 93 and 117.
gcd(c(57, 93, 117))
```

**Description**

Convert a given decimal constant in the interval (0, 1) to the corresponding binary representation.

**Usage**

```
DecToBin(x, m = 32, format = "character")
```

**Arguments**

- |                     |  |
|---------------------|--|
| <code>x</code>      | a numeric vector of values in the interval (0, 1)                              |
| <code>m</code>      | a numeric constant specifying the number of binary digits to use in the output |
| <code>format</code> | a character string constant specifying the form of the output                  |

**Details**

Default format is as a character string. Alternatives are `plain` which prints results to the device, and `vector` which output a binary vector.

**Value**

a vector containing the binary representation

**Examples**

```
x <- c(.81, .57, .333)
DecToBin(x) # character output
DecToBin(x, format="vector") # binary vector output
DecToBin(x, format="plain")
```

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gcd	<i>Greatest Common Divisor</i>
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## Description

Greatest common divisor or factor for all elements of a positive-integer-valued vector.

## Usage

```
gcd(x)
```

## Arguments

x a numeric vector consisting of at least two positive integer values.

## Details

The gcd is calculated using the Euclidean algorithm applied to successive pairs of the elements of x.

## Value

a numeric constant containing the greatest common divisor.

## Examples

```
x <- c(81, 57, 333)
gcd(x)
```

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LawofCosines	<i>Law of Cosines</i>
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## Description

Use of the ancient law of cosines to determine the angle between two sides of a triangle, given lengths of all three sides. This is a generalization of Pythagoras' Theorem.

## Usage

```
LawofCosines(sides)
```

## Arguments

sides a numeric vector of length 3, containing the side lengths.

**Value**

a numeric constant giving the angle in between the sides corresponding to the first two components in `sides`. Result is expressed in degrees.

**Examples**

```
LawofCosines(c(3, 4, 5))
```

`LawofSines`

*Law of Sines*

**Description**

Use of the ancient law of sines to determine the angle opposite one side of a triangle, given the length of the opposite side as well as the angle opposite another side whose length is also known. Alternatively, one can find the length of the side opposite a given angle.

**Usage**

```
LawofSines(sides, angles, findAngle)
```

**Arguments**

- |                        |  |
|------------------------|--|
| <code>sides</code>     | a numeric vector of length 1 or 2, containing the side lengths.        |
| <code>angles</code>    | a numeric vector of length 1 or 2, containing the angles (in degrees). |
| <code>findAngle</code> | a logical constant   |

**Details**

If `findAngle` is TRUE, `sides` should be of length 2 and the function will compute angle opposite the side with length given by the second element of `sides`. Otherwise, `angles` should be of length 2, and the function will calculate the length of the side opposite the angle corresponding to the second element of `angles`.

**Value**

a numeric constant giving the angle opposite the given side, if `findAngle` is TRUE, or giving the length of the side opposite the given angle, if `findAngle` is FALSE.

**Examples**

```
LawofSines(c(3, 4), 50) # find angle opposite the side of length 4.  
LawofSines(3, c(70, 50), findAngle = FALSE) # find length of side opposite the 50 degree angle
```

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MaxRunLength	<i>Maximum Run Length</i>
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**Description**

Calculate the maximum run length of 0's in a binary vector.

**Usage**

```
MaxRunLength(x)
```

**Arguments**

x	a binary vector
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**Value**

the maximum run length of 0's

**Examples**

```
x <- c(0L, 1L, 1L, 1L, 0L, 0L, 1L, 1L, 0L, 0L, 1L)
MaxRunLength(x) # should be 2
MaxRunLength(1L - x) # should be 3
# Test of Mersenne Twister

RNGkind("Mers") # ensure that default generator is in use
N <- 10000
x <- runif(N)
y <- DecToBin(x, format = "vector", m = 40)
MaxHeadRunsM <- apply(y, 1, MaxRunLength) # 0 run lengths (Heads)
MaxTailRunsM <- apply(1-y, 1, MaxRunLength) # 1 run lengths (Tails)
# distributions of Max 0 run lengths and Max 1 run lengths should match
boxplot(MaxHeadRunsM, MaxTailRunsM, axes=FALSE, main="Maximum Run Length")
axis(side=1, at=c(1, 2), label=c("Heads", "Tails"))
axis(2)
box()

# Comparison with Wichmann-Hill Generator

RNGkind("Wich")
x <- runif(N)
y <- DecToBin(x, format = "vector", m = 40)
MaxHeadRunsW <- apply(y, 1, MaxRunLength)
MaxTailRunsW <- apply(1-y, 1, MaxRunLength)
boxplot(MaxHeadRunsW, MaxTailRunsW, axes=FALSE, main="Maximum Run Length")
axis(side=1, at=c(1, 2), label=c("Heads", "Tails"))
axis(2)
box()
RNGkind("Mers") # restore default generator
```

microLASSO

*Simplest Case of LASSO Regression***Description**

Simple linear regression estimators for slope, intercept and noise standard deviation with absolute value penalty on slope.

**Usage**

```
microLASSO(x, y, lambda)
```

**Arguments**

- |        |  |
|--------|--|
| x      | a numeric vector of covariate values           |
| y      | a numeric vector of response values            |
| lambda | a numeric constant which should be nonnegative |

**Value**

a list consisting of

- |              |   |
|--------------|---|
| Coefficients | a numeric vector containing intercept and slope estimates   |
| RMSE         | a numeric constant containing the (penalized) maximum likelihood estimate of the noise standard deviation |

**Examples**

```
x <- runif(30)
y <- x + rnorm(30)
microLASSO(x, y, lambda = 0.5)
```

rAlias

*Alias Method for Generating Discrete Random Variates***Description**

Efficient method for generating discrete random variates from any distribution with a finite number (N) of states. The method is described in detail in Section 10.1 of the given reference.

**Usage**

```
rAlias(n, P)
```

**Arguments**

- n numeric, constant number of variates to be simulated
- P numeric, probability mass function, assuming states from 1 through N

**Value**

numeric vector of containing n simulated values from the given discrete distribution

**References**

S. Ross (1990) A Course in Simulation, MacMillan.

**Examples**

```
x <- rAlias(n = 100, P = c(1:5)/15)
table(x)/100
```

**Description**

Given a sequence of pseudorandom numbers, this function constructs a random forest prediction model for successive values, based on previous values up to a given lag. The ability of the random forest model to predict future values is inversely related to the quality of the sequence as an approximation to locally random numbers.

**Usage**

```
RNGtest(u, m=5)
```

**Arguments**

- u numeric, a vector of pseudorandom numbers to test
- m numeric, number of lags to test

**Value**

Side effect is a two way layout of graphs showing effectiveness of prediction on a training and a testing subset of data. Good predictions indicate a poor quality sequence.

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**Examples**

```
x <- runif(200)
RNGtest(x, m = 4)
```

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