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**Description**

G2Sd package gives full descriptive statistics and a physical description of sediment obtained with AFNOR or phi sieves according to the grain size distribution.

**Details**

The G2Sd package is an evolution of the Gradistat v.4.0 macro for MS Excel initially developed by Blott and Pye (2001) for phi sieves and Laser granulometer. This package is suited to analyse data obtained from AFNOR (micrometer) or phi sieves. The user is required to input the weight of sediment retained on sieves spaced at any AFNOR or phi intervals. Statistics are calculated using arithmetic and geometric Method of Moments (micrometer) and using logarithmic Folk and Ward (1957) Method (phi scale): mean, standard-deviation, skewness, kurtosis. The mode(s) is(are) determined graphically by the user (with a maximum of 4 modes). The determination of the mode is optional (no determination by default). Several percentiles and common index are calculated: D10, D50, D90, D90/D10, D90-D10, D75/D25, D75-D25, Trask(So) Index, Krumbein(Qd) Index. Physical description of texture, sorting, skewness or kurtosis are provided as such as the sediment name after Folk (1954). Are also included the percentage of particules falling into each predefined size fraction, modified from Blott and Pye (2001) scale, Udden (1914) and Wentworth (1922). There are two functions. `granstat` is a function which provides all results organized in two ways: a complete matrix (by default) or by separate items; `granplot` is a function which provides a histogram with a cumulative percentage curve

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**See Also**

[granstat](#), [granplot](#)

**Examples**

```
data(granulo)
result=granstat(granulo)
granplot(granulo,1)
```

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granplot

*Histogram with a cumulative percentage curve*

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**Description**

This function provides a histogram of the grain-size distribution with a cumulative percentage curve

**Usage**

```
granplot(x, xc = 1, hist = TRUE, cum = TRUE, main = "",
col.cum = "red", col.hist="gray")
```

**Arguments**

x	A numeric matrix or data frame
xc	Define a column
hist	If TRUE, display a histogram; if FALSE, do not display a histogram
cum	If TRUE, display a cumulative percentage curve; if FALSE do not display a cumulative percentage curve
main	Add a title to the current plot
col.cum	Color in which cumulative percentage curve will be drawn
col.hist	Color in which histogram will be drawn

**Details**

The obtained graph is the most commonly used by Sedimentologists

**Value**

A histogram with a cumulative percentage curve

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## Examples

```
data(granulo)
granplot(granulo,xc=1,hist=TRUE,cum=TRUE,main="Grain-size Distribution",
col.hist="grey",col.cum="black")
```

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granstat

*Calculates all descriptive statistics*

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## Description

Statistics are calculated using arithmetic and geometric Method of Moments (micrometer) and using logarithmic Folk and Ward (1957) Method (phi scale): mean, standard-deviation, skewness, kurtosis. The mode(s) is(are) determined graphically by the user (with a maximum of 4 modes). The determination of the mode is optional (no determination by default). Several percentiles and common index are calculated: D10, D50, D90, D90/D10, D90-D10, D75/D25, D75-D25, Trask(So) Index, Krumbein(Qd) Index. Physical description of texture, sorting, skewness or kurtosis are provided as such as the sediment name after Folk (1954). Are also included the percentage of particles falling into each predefined size fraction, modified from Blott and Pye (2001) scale, Udden (1914) and Wentworth (1922). granstat is a function which provides all results organized in two ways: a complete matrix (by default) or by separate items.

## Usage

```
granstat(x, statistic = "all", aggr = TRUE, modes = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

x	A numeric matrix or data frame
statistic	Statistic used: "arithmetic", "geometric", "folk.ward", "all". If this argument is not used, all statistics are calculated
aggr	If TRUE, a complete matrix is provided. If FALSE, the results are organized in separate items: \$stat, \$index, \$mode, \$sedim. If this argument is not used, a complete matrix is provided
modes	If TRUE, the mode must be determined graphically by the user. If FALSE, the mode is not determined. If this argument is not used, no determination of the mode is proposed

## Details

For the determination of the mode (modes=TRUE). All the samples are successively shown with a graph. The user can choose graphically the mode (1 in 4 maximum) by a click on the graph. If 4 modes are chosen, the following graph appears automatically. If 1, 2 or 3 modes are chosen, the user has to use the function stop locator in the graphic window.

If the weight of sediment retained on the broadest sieve exceeds 5 percent of the total mass of the sample, the Folk and Ward statistics cannot be computed.

**Value**

A matrix containing

mean.arith	the mean of grain-size distribution (arithmetic method of moments)
sd.arith	the standard-deviation of grain-size distribution (arithmetic method of moments)
skewness.arith	the skewness of grain-size distribution (arithmetic method of moments)
kurtosis.arith	the kurtosis of grain-size distribution (arithmetic method of moments)
mean.geom	the mean of grain-size distribution (geometric method of moments)
sd.geom	the standard-deviation of grain-size distribution (geometric method of moments)
skewness.geom	the skewness of grain-size distribution (geometric method of moments)
kurtosis.geom	the kurtosis of grain-size distribution (geometric method of moments)
Sediment	physical description of the sediment, the sorting, the skewness and the kurtosis
Mean.fw.mm	the mean of grain-size distribution (logarithmic Folk and Ward method, mm scale)
Sd.fw.mm	the standard-deviation of grain-size distribution (logarithmic Folk and Ward method, mm scale)
Skewness.fw.mm	the skewness of grain-size distribution (logarithmic Folk and Ward method, mm scale)
Kurtosis.fw.mm	the kurtosis of grain-size distribution (logarithmic Folk and Ward method, mm scale)
Mean.fw.phi	the mean of grain-size distribution (logarithmic Folk and Ward method, phi scale)
Sd.fw.phi	the standard-deviation of grain-size distribution (logarithmic Folk and Ward method, phi scale)
Skewness.fw.phi	the skewness of grain-size distribution (logarithmic Folk and Ward method, phi scale)
Kurtosis.fw.phi	the kurtosis of grain-size distribution (logarithmic Folk and Ward method, phi scale)
Mode	the mode (mm scale), graphically defined by the user
D10(mm)	the 10th percentile
D50(mm)	the median
D90(mm)	the 90th percentile
D90/D10	ratio of the 90th percentile and the 10th percentile
D90-D10	difference between the the 90th percentile and the 10th percentile
D75/D25	ratio of the 75th percentile and the 25th percentile
D75-D25	difference between the the 75th percentile and the 25th percentile
Trask(So)	the Trask Index (So) defined as $D_{25}/D_{75}$ (mm scale)
Krumbein(Qd)	the Krumbein Index (Qd) defined as $(D_{25}-D_{75})/2$ (phi scale)

Texture	physical description of the texture of the sediment
Boulder	percentage of sediment of the grain-size distribution retained in the Boulder class (upper to 63 mm)
Gravel	percentage of sediment of the grain-size distribution retained in the Gravel class (between 2 mm and 63 mm)
Sand	percentage of sediment of the grain-size distribution retained in the Sand class (between 63 micrometer and 2 mm)
Mud	percentage of sediment of the grain-size distribution retained in the Mud class (down to 63 micrometer)
Boulder	percentage of sediment of the grain-size distribution retained in the Boulder class (upper to 63 mm)
vcgravel	percentage of sediment of the grain-size distribution retained in the Very Coarse Gravel class (between 31.5 mm and 63 mm)
cgravel	percentage of sediment of the grain-size distribution retained in the Coarse Gravel class (between 16 mm and 31.5 mm)
mgravel	percentage of sediment of the grain-size distribution retained in the Medium Gravel class (between 8 mm and 16 mm)
fgravel	percentage of sediment of the grain-size distribution retained in the Fine Gravel class (between 4 mm and 8 mm)
vfgravel	percentage of sediment of the grain-size distribution retained in the Very Fine Gravel class (between 2 mm and 4 mm)
vcsand	percentage of sediment of the grain-size distribution retained in the Very Coarse Sand class (between 1 mm and 2 mm)
csand	percentage of sediment of the grain-size distribution retained in the Coarse Sand class (between 500 micrometer and 1 mm)
msand	percentage of sediment of the grain-size distribution retained in the Medium Sand class (between 250 micrometer and 500 micrometer)
fsand	percentage of sediment of the grain-size distribution retained in the Fine Sand class (between 125 micrometer and 250 micrometer)
vfsand	percentage of sediment of the grain-size distribution retained in the Very Fine Sand class (between 63 micrometer and 125 micrometer)
vcsilt	percentage of sediment of the grain-size distribution retained in the Very Coarse Silt class (between 40 micrometer and 63 micrometer)
silt	percentage of sediment of the grain-size distribution retained in the Silt class (lower than 40 micrometer)

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## Examples

```
#granulo is the data set
data(granulo)
granstat(granulo)
granstat(granulo,statistic="all",aggr=TRUE,modes=FALSE)
granstat(granulo,statistic="folk.ward",aggr=FALSE,modes=TRUE)
```

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granulo

*Data frame for G2Sd package*

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## Description

granulo is a data frame of 29 observations and 16 variables (samples K1 to K16). The first column corresponds to the apertures sizes of AFNOR sieves, in micrometer (25000, 20000, 16000, 12500, 10000, 8000, 6300, 5000, 4000, 2500, 2000, 1600, 1250, 1000, 800, 630, 500, 400, 315, 250, 200, 160, 125, 100, 80, 63, 50, 40, 0). Warning ! the last sieve 0 corresponds to the material retained in the < 40 micrometer pan after sieving. The others columns corresponds to the weight of samples beside each size class

## Usage

```
data(granulo)
```

## Format

A data frame with 29 observations on the following 16 variables

- K1 a numeric vector
- K2 a numeric vector
- K3 a numeric vector



K4 a numeric vector  
K5 a numeric vector  
K6 a numeric vector  
K7 a numeric vector  
K8 a numeric vector  
K9 a numeric vector  
K10 a numeric vector  
K11 a numeric vector  
K12 a numeric vector  
K13 a numeric vector  
K14 a numeric vector  
K15 a numeric vector  
K16 a numeric vector

### Details

This example provide a data frame of sedimentary data obtained with AFNOR sieves (in micrometer)

### Source

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### Examples

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data(granulo)
```

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