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SFtools-package

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Description

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See Also

Useful links:

- <https://mlaib.github.io/>
- Report bugs at <https://github.com/mlaib/SFtools/issues>

SimData	<i>Simulated data set</i>
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Description

Generates a simulated data set

Usage

```
SimData(n=1000)
```

Arguments

n Number of generated data points (by default: n=1000).

Value

A data.frame of simulated data set, with 7 features (4 of them are redundants)

Examples

```
Sim_Data<-SimData(n=1000)
plot(Sim_Data$x1,Sim_Data$x2)

## Not run:

#### Visualisation of the data set (3D) ####
require(rgl)
require(colorRamps)

c <- cut(Sim_Data$z,breaks=100)
cols <- matlab.like(100)[as.numeric(c)]
plot3d(Sim_Data$x1,Sim_Data$x2,Sim_Data$z,radius=0.01, col=cols,
type="s",xlab="x1",ylab="x2",zlab="z",box=F)
grid3d(c("x","y","z"),col="black",lwd=1)

## End(Not run)
```

UfsCov	<i>UfsCov algorithm for unsupervised feature selection</i>
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Description

Applies the UfsCov algorithm based on the space filling concept, by using a sequential forward search (SFS).

Usage

```
UfsCov(data)
```

Arguments

`data` Data of class: `matrix` or `data.frame`.

Details

Since the algorithm is based on pairwise distances, and according to the computing power of your machine, large number of data points can take much time and needs more memory.

Value

A list of two elements:

- `CovD` a vector containing the coverage measure of each step of the SFS.
- `IdR` a vector containing the added variables during the selection procedure.

Note

The algorithm does not deal with missing values and constant features. Please make sure to remove them.

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Examples

```
Sim_Data<-SimData(n=800)
Results<- UfsCov(Sim_Data)

cou<-colnames(Sim_Data)
nom<-cou[Results[[2]]]
par(mfrow=c(1,1), mar=c(5,5,2,2))
names(Results[[1]])<-cou[Results[[2]]]
plot(Results[[1]] ,pch=16,cex=1,col="blue", axes = FALSE,
xlab = "Added Features", ylab = "Coverage measure")
lines(Results[[1]] ,cex=2,col="blue")
grid(lwd=1.5,col="gray" )
box()
```

```

axis(2)
axis(1,1:length(nom),nom)
which.min(Results[[1]])

## Not run:

#### UfsCov on the Butterfly dataset ####
require(IDmining)

N <- 1000
raw_dat <- Butterfly(N)
dat<-raw_dat[,-9]

Results<- UfsCov(dat)
cou<-colnames(dat)
nom<-cou[Results[[2]]]
par(mfrow=c(1,1), mar=c(5,5,2,2))
names(Results[[1]])<-cou[Results[[2]]]

plot(Results[[1]] ,pch=16,cex=1,col="blue", axes = FALSE,
xlab = "Added Features", ylab = "Coverage measure")
lines(Results[[1]] ,cex=2,col="blue")
grid(lwd=1.5,col="gray" )
box()
axis(2)
axis(1,1:length(nom),nom)
which.min(Results[[1]])

## End(Not run)

```

UfsCov_par

UfsCov algorithm for unsupervised feature selection

Description

Applies the UfsCov algorithm based on the space filling concept, by using a sequential forward search (SFS). This function offers a parallel computing.

Usage

```
UfsCov_par(data, ncores=2)
```

Arguments

data	Data of class: matrix or data.frame.
ncores	Number of cores to use (by default: ncores=2).

Details

Since the algorithm is based on pairwise distances, and according to the computing power of your machine, large number of data points needs more memory.

Value

A list of two elements:

- CovD a vector containing the coverage measure of each step of the SFS.
- IdR a vector containing the added variables during the selection procedure.

Note

The algorithm does not deal with missing values and constant features. Please make sure to remove them. Note that it is not recommended to use this function with small data, it takes more time than using the standard `UfsCov` function.

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Examples

```
N <- 800
dat<-SimData(N)
Results<- UfsCov_par(dat,ncores=2)

cou<-colnames(dat)
nom<-cou[Results[[2]]]
par(mfrow=c(1,1), mar=c(5,5,2,2))
names(Results[[1]])<-cou[Results[[2]]]
plot(Results[[1]] ,pch=16,cex=1,col="blue", axes = FALSE,
xlab = "Added Features", ylab = "Coverage measure")
lines(Results[[1]] ,cex=2,col="blue")
grid(lwd=1.5,col="gray" )
box()
axis(2)
axis(1,1:length(nom),nom)
which.min(Results[[1]])

## Not run:
```

```
N<-5000
dat<-SimData(N)

## Little comparison:
system.time(Uf<-UfsCov(dat))
system.time(Uf.p<-UfsCov_par(dat, ncores = 4))

## End(Not run)
```

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