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Instability

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Description Selection of the number of clusters in cluster analysis using
stability methods.

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cDistance   *Selection of number of clusters via distance-based measures*

Description

Selection of number of clusters via *gap statistic*, *jump statistic*, and *slope statistic*

Usage

```
cDistance(data, kseq, method = "kmeans", linkage = "complete",
  kmIter = 10, gapIter = 10)
```

Arguments

data	a n x p data matrix of type numeric.
kseq	a vector with considered numbers clusters k > 1
method	character string indicating the clustering algorithm. 'kmeans' for the k-means algorithm, 'hierarchical' for hierarchical clustering.
linkage	character specifying the linkage criterion, in case type='hierarchical'. The available options are "single", "complete", "average", "mcquitty", "ward.D", "ward.D2", "centroid" or "median". See hclust.
kmIter	integer specifying the the number of restarts of the k-means algorithm in order to avoid local minima.
gapIter	integer specifying the number of simulated datasets to compute the *gap statistic* (see Tibshirani et al., 2001).

Value

a list with the optimal numbers of cluster determined by the *gap statistic* (Tibshirani et al., 2001), the *jump Statistic* (Sugar & James, 2011) and the *slope statistic* (Fujita et al., 2014). Along the function returns the *gap*, *jump* and slope for each k in kseq.

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Fujita, A., Takahashi, D. Y., & Patriota, A. G. (2014). A non-parametric method to estimate the number of clusters. *Computational Statistics & Data Analysis, 73*, 27-39.

Examples

```
## Not run:
  # Generate Data from Gaussian Mixture
  s <- .1
  n <- 50
  data <- rbind(cbind(rnorm(n, 0, s), rnorm(n, 0, s)),
                cbind(rnorm(n, 1, s), rnorm(n, 1, s)),
                cbind(rnorm(n, 0, s), rnorm(n, 1, s)),
                cbind(rnorm(n, 1, s), rnorm(n, 0, s)))
  plot(data)

 # Selection of Number of Clusters using Distance-based Measures
 cDistance(data, kseq=2:10)

## End(Not run)
```

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cluster_example   *Cluster example*

Description

An example, 2-dimensional dataset containing the 100 points for each of five bivariate normal distributions arranged equidistant along the outline of a circle.

Usage

```
cluster_example
```

Format

An object of class `matrix` with 500 rows and 2 columns.

Details

To inspect execute `plot(cluster_example)`.

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cstab   *cstab: Selection of number of clusters via normalized clustering instability*

Description

Selection of the number of clusters in cluster analysis using stability methods.

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cStability	*Selection of number of clusters via clustering instability*

Description

Selection of number of clusters via *model-based* or *model-free*, *normalized* or *unnormalized* clustering instability.

Usage

```
cStability(data, kseq = 2:20, nB = 10, norm = TRUE, predict = TRUE,
  method = "kmeans", linkage = "complete", kmIter = 5, pbar = TRUE)
```

Arguments

data	a n x p data matrix of type numeric.
kseq	a vector with considered numbers clusters k > 1
nB	an integer specifying the number of bootstrap comparisons.
norm	logical specifying whether the instability path should be normalized. If TRUE, the instability path is normalized, accounting for a trivial decrease in instability due to a increasing k (see Haslbeck & Wulff, 2016).
predict	boolean specifying whether the model-based or the model-free variant should be used (see Haslbeck & Wulff, 2016).
method	character string specifying the clustering algorithm. 'kmeans' for the k-means algorithm, 'hierarchical' for hierarchical clustering.
linkage	character specifying the linkage criterion, in case `type='hierarchical'`. The available options are "single", "complete", "average", "mcquitty", "ward.D", "ward.D2", "centroid" or "median". See [hclust](#).
kmIter	integer specifying the the number of restarts of the k-means algorithm in order to avoid local minima.
pbar	logical

Value

a list that contains the optimal k selected by the unnormalized and normalized instability method. It also includes a vector containing the averaged instability path (over bootstrap samples) and a matrix containing the instability path of each bootstrap sample for both the normalized and the unnormalized method.

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Examples

```
## Not run:
  # Generate Data from Gaussian Mixture
  s <- .1
  n <- 50
  data <- rbind(cbind(rnorm(n, 0, s), rnorm(n, 0, s)),
                cbind(rnorm(n, 1, s), rnorm(n, 1, s)),
                cbind(rnorm(n, 0, s), rnorm(n, 1, s)),
                cbind(rnorm(n, 1, s), rnorm(n, 0, s)))
  plot(data)

  # Selection of Number of Clusters using Instability-based Measures
  stab_obj <- cStability(data, kseq=2:10)
  print(stab_obj)

## End(Not run)
```

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lookup	*Create lookup table*

Description

Create lookup table for faculties

Usage

```
lookup(n = 10000L, root = 200)
```

Arguments

n	integer specifying the number of
root	numeric specifying the root used to avoid machine limit.

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plot.cstab   *Plot method for cstab objects*

Description

plot.cstab plots *instability* path.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'cstab'
plot(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	a cstab object (output of functions cStability).
...	additional arguments passed to print.

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print.cstab   *Print method for cstab objects*

Description

print.cstab prints key variables of cstab objects.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'cstab'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	a cstab object (output of functions cStability).
...	additional arguments passed to print.

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