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afCEC-package

*Active Function Cross-Entropy Clustering***Description**

Active Function Cross-Entropy Clustering (afCEC) partitions the n-dimensional data into the clusters by finding the parameters of the mixed generalized multivariate normal distribution, that optimally approximates the scattering of the data in the n-dimensional space, whose density function is of the form:

$$p_1 * N(\mu_1, \sigma_1, \sigma_1, f_1) + \dots + p_k * N(\mu_k, \sigma_k, \sigma_k, f_k)$$

The above-mentioned generalization is performed by introducing so called "f-adapted gaussian densities" (i.e. the ordinary gaussian densities adapted by the "active function"). Additionally, the Active Function Cross-Entropy Clustering performs the automatic reduction of the unnecessary clusters. It's implemented in the form of a customizable function [afCEC](#).

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afCEC

*afCEC***Description**

Performs the Active Function Cross-Entropy Clustering on the data set.

## Usage

```
afCEC (
  points,
  maxClusters,
  initialLabels="k-means++",
  cardMin=0.01,
  costThreshold=-0.000001,
  minIterations=10,
  maxIterations=100,
  numberOfStarts=10,
  method="Hartigan",
  values="quadratic",
  interactive=FALSE
)
```

## Arguments

points	A (#points x n) matrix of data containing n-dimensional points stored row-by-row.
maxClusters	Indicates the maximal number of clusters, that afCEC can partition the data into.
initialLabels	Initial labelling determining the data membership to the particular clusters. There are 3 options allowed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "random" - causes the labelling to be randomly generated.</li> <li>• "k-means++" - causes the labelling to be generated using the k-means++ heuristics.</li> <li>• A (#points x numberOfStarts) matrix of type integer containing values in the range: 0...maxClusters - 1. The value x in the row i and column j indicates that in the j-th start, the i-th point will be initially assigned to the (x + 1)-th cluster.</li> </ul> <p>The default value is "k-means++".</p>
cardMin	Value so that if the number of points in particular cluster relatively to the size of the whole data drops below, then that cluster gets removed and its data is assigned to the other clusters. The default value is 0.01.
costThreshold	Negative value so that if the difference between the calculated cost in the subsequent iterations is greater than it then the afCEC terminates returning the solution from the terminated iteration as the final solution (in the present start), provided that at least minIterations already passed. The default value is -0.000001;
minIterations	Value indicating the minimal number of iterations needed before afCEC can terminate, provided that no error occurred. The default value is 10.
maxIterations	Value indicating the maximal number of iterations in one start, that afCEC cannot exceed. The default value is 100.
numberOfStarts	Value indicating the number of runs of the algorithm to be performed. The best solution is chosen out of the solutions given in the particular steps, so that it has the lowest value of the cost function among them. The default value is 10.
method	Heuristics used to perform the clustering. There are 2 options allowed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "Lloyd" - indicates that the Lloyd heuristics will be used to perform the clustering.</li> <li>• "Hartigan" - indicates that the Hartigan heuristics will be used to perform the clustering.</li> </ul>

values

The default value is "Hartigan".

Definition of the active function family used to perform the clustering. There are 2 options allowed:

- "quadratic" - indicates that the function family of the form:

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_{(n-1)}) = a_1 x_1^2 + \dots + a_{(n-1)} x_{(n-1)}^2 + a_n x_1 + \dots + a_{(2*n-2)} x_{(n-1)} + a_{(2*n-1)} 1,$$

where  $n$  is the dimensionality of the data and  $a_i$  are the optimal coefficients determined by afCEC using the linear least square fitting, will be used to perform the clustering.

- A  $((m*n) \times \#points)$  matrix containing the values of the particular components of the active function on the data set, placed according to the following layout (row by row):

First  $m$  rows:

```
[f_1(x_1_2, ..., x_1_n), f_1(x_2_2, ..., x_2_n), ..., f_1(x_#points_2, ..., x_#points_n)]
[f_2(x_1_2, ..., x_1_n), f_2(x_2_2, ..., x_2_n), ..., f_2(x_#points_2, ..., x_#points_n)]
...
[f_m(x_1_2, ..., x_1_n), f_m(x_2_2, ..., x_2_n), ..., f_m(x_#points_2, ..., x_#points_n)]
```

Second  $m$  rows:

```
[f_1(x_1_1, x_1_3, ..., x_1_n), f_1(x_2_1, x_2_3, ..., x_2_n), ...]
[f_2(x_1_1, x_1_3, ..., x_1_n), f_2(x_2_1, x_2_3, ..., x_2_n), ...]
...
[f_m(x_1_1, x_1_3, ..., x_1_n), f_m(x_2_1, x_2_3, ..., x_2_n), ...]
```

Last  $m$  rows:

```
[f_1(x_1_1, ..., x_1_(n-1)), f_1(x_2_1, ..., x_2_(n-1)), ...]
[f_2(x_1_1, ..., x_1_(n-1)), f_2(x_2_1, ..., x_2_(n-1)), ...]
...
[f_m(x_1_1, ..., x_1_(n-1)), f_m(x_2_1, ..., x_2_(n-1)), ...],
```

where:  $n$  - dimensionality of the data,  $x_{i_j}$  -  $j$ -th coordinate of the  $i$ -th point of data,  $m$  - number of components of the active function.

In the foregoing case, the active function family consists of the functions of the form:

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_{(n-1)}) = a_1 f_1(x_1, \dots, x_{(n-1)}) + \dots + a_m f_m(x_1, \dots, x_{(n-1)}),$$

where  $n$  is the dimensionality of the data and  $a_i$  are the optimal coefficients determined by afCEC using the linear least square fitting.

The default value is "quadratic".

### Remarks:

In the case of the second way of defining the function, the returned object doesn't contain the information about the means coordinates corresponding to the active

direction. Moreover, the plotting capabilities of the afCEC package are severely impaired in that case. See [plot](#).

**interactive** Indicates if the algorithm runs in the "interactive" mode. The "interactive" mode allows to track the intermediate steps of the afCEC. Instead of one object of the afCEC class, the whole list of such objects is returned, where each item of the list corresponds to the intermediate step of the algorithm. See value section for more details. The default value is FALSE.

### Value

- Empty list - if clustering failed.
- Object of class afCEC containing the parameters of the best fitted mixed generalized multivariate normal distribution - if argument interactive=FALSE and clustering succeeded.
- List of k objects of class afCEC containing the parameters of the best fitted mixed generalized multivariate normal distribution across the k subsequent steps of the algorithm - if argument interactive=TRUE and clustering succeeded.

### See Also

[plot](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:
# The following two examples demonstrate two equivalent ways of passing the same
# 3D quadratic active function to the afCEC routine:

# 1) Using "quadratic" value (default):

library(afCEC);
data(airplane);
result <- afCEC(airplane, 17);

# what is equivalent to:

library(afCEC);
data(airplane);
result <- afCEC(airplane, 17, values="quadratic");

# 2) Using the matrix containing the explicit values of the active function
# across the subsequent dimensions:

library(afCEC);
data(airplane);
values = matrix(rep(0, 5*3*dim(airplane)[1]), 5*3, dim(airplane)[1]);
for (i in 1:dim(airplane)[1]) {
  tmp <- airplane[i,2:3];
  for (j in 1:3) {
    values[((j - 1) * 5) + 1, i] <- tmp[1]^2;
    values[((j - 1) * 5) + 2, i] <- tmp[2]^2;
    values[((j - 1) * 5) + 3, i] <- tmp[1];
    values[((j - 1) * 5) + 4, i] <- tmp[2];
    values[((j - 1) * 5) + 5, i] <- 1;
    if (j < 3) tmp[j] <- airplane[i,j];
  }
}
```

```

}
}
result <- afCEC(airplane, 17, values=values);

## End(Not run)

```

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airplane	<i>airplane</i>
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### Description

A 10000 x 3 matrix of three dimensional points uniformly distributed on the surface of the airplane model.

### Examples

```

library(afCEC);
data(airplane);
plot3d(airplane);

```

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cat	<i>cat</i>
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### Description

A 1385 x 2 matrix of two dimensional points forming the chinese "cat" letter.

### Examples

```

library(afCEC);
data(cat);
plot(cat);

```

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dog	<i>dog</i>
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### Description

A 623 x 2 matrix of two dimensional points forming the chinese "dog" letter.

### Examples

```

library(afCEC);
data(dog);
plot(dog);

```

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fire

*fire*

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### Description

A 609 x 2 matrix of two dimensional points forming the chinese "fire" letter.

### Examples

```
library(afCEC);  
data(fire);  
plot(fire);
```

---

helicopter

*helicopter*

---

### Description

A 10000 x 3 matrix of three dimensional points uniformly distributed on the surface of the helicopter model.

### Examples

```
library(afCEC);  
data(helicopter);  
plot3d(helicopter);
```

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pathbased

*pathbased*

---

### Description

A 300 x 2 matrix of two dimensional points forming the incomplete circle and two filled circles inside.

### Examples

```
library(afCEC);  
data(pathbased);  
plot(pathbased);
```

plot.afCEC

*plot.afCEC***Description**

Plots the chart showing the clustering of the data. Depending on the dimensionality of the data passed to the afCEC function, it draws either 2D or 3D chart. The function doesn't work with the other dimensions.

**Remarks:**

- The particular items are drawn cluster-by-cluster in the following order:
  - points
  - means
  - curves / surfaces
  - ellipses / ellipsoids of confidence
- The functionality concerning drawing the means (see the draw\_means argument description for more details), ellipses / ellipsoids of confidence (see the draw\_ellipsoids argument description for more details) and curves / surfaces (see the draw\_surfaces argument description for more details) doesn't work if object x was retrieved after clustering the data with the active function family defined by the matrix of the active function components values on the data set. In that case, the above-mentioned arguments as well as the other ones related to them (for example meansSize2D) are ignored and only data points are drawn on the chart. See [afCEC](#).

**Example:** (due to the long running time it is not placed in the "Examples" section)

```
library(afCEC);
data(airplane);
result <- afCEC(airplane, 17);
plot(result);
```

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'afCEC'
plot(
  x,
  draw_points=TRUE,
  draw_means=TRUE,
  draw_ellipsoids=TRUE,
  draw_surfaces=TRUE,
  confidence=0.95,
  grid_resolution=32,

  pointsSize2D=1, pointsColor2D="cluster",
  meansSize2D=2, meansColor2D="black",
  ellipsesHeight2D=1, ellipsesColor2D="black",
  surfacesHeight2D=1, surfacesColor2D="black",
  XLabel2D="X", YLabel2D="Y",

  pointsAlpha3D=1, pointsSize3D=0.01, pointsColor3D="cluster",
```



```

meansAlpha3D=0.5, meansSize3D=0.01, meansColor3D="black",
ellipsoidsAlpha3D=0.25, ellipsoidsColor3D="cluster",
surfacesAlpha3D=0.5, surfacesColor3D="cluster",
XLabel3D="X", YLabel3D="Y", ZLabel3D="Z",
...
)

```

## Arguments

x	Object of class afCEC returned from the afCEC function.
draw_points	If the value is TRUE, the function draws the points belonging to the particular clusters. The default value is TRUE.
draw_means	If the value is TRUE, the function draws the means of the clusters as the big black dots / spheres. The default value is TRUE.
draw_ellipsoids	If the value is TRUE, the function draws the curved ellipses / ellipsoids of confidence of the particular clusters. The default value is TRUE.
draw_surfaces	If the value is TRUE, the function draws the curves / surfaces corresponding to the subspace spanned by the inactive axes of the particular clusters with respect to the curvilinear coordinate system determined by the active function with 0's in the means of the clusters. The default value is TRUE.
confidence	Determines the percentile of data belonging to the particular clusters, the corresponding ellipses / ellipsoids of confidence should contain. For example, if the value 0.5 is specified, then, for each cluster, it's ellipse / ellipsoid of confidence will contain $0.5 * 100$ [%] of assigned points. The default value is 0.95.
grid_resolution	Determines the grid resolution using to approximate the curves / surfaces drawn in the plot function. The default value is 32.
pointsSize2D	Determines the size of the points (in pixels) drawn in the plot function. The argument is used only in the case of the 2D data. The default value is 1.
pointsColor2D	Determines the color of the points drawn in the plot function. It can hold the following values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any color format acceptable by the standard R plot function. In that case the color is fixed across the particular clusters.</li> <li>The "cluster" string indicating, that the plot function will use unique colors for points belonging to the different clusters.</li> </ul> The argument is used only in the case of the 2D data. The default value is "cluster".
meansSize2D	Determines the size of the means (in pixels) drawn in the plot function. The argument is used only in the case of the 2D data. The default value is 2.
meansColor2D	Determines the color of the means drawn in the plot function. It can hold the following values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any color format acceptable by the standard R plot function. In that case the color is fixed across the particular clusters.</li> <li>The "cluster" string indicating, that the plot function will use unique colors for means of the different clusters.</li> </ul> The argument is used only in the case of the 2D data. The default value is "black".

ellipsesHeight2D	Determines the thickness of the ellipses (in pixels) drawn in the plot function. The argument is used only in the case of the 2D data. The default value is 1.
ellipsesColor2D	<p>Determines the color of the ellipses drawn in the plot function. It can hold the following values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any color format acceptable by the standard R plot function. In that case the color is fixed across the particular clusters.</li> <li>• The "cluster" string indicating, that the plot function will use unique colors for ellipses of confidence of the different clusters.</li> </ul> <p>The argument is used only in the case of the 2D data. The default value is "black".</p>
surfacesHeight2D	Determines the thickness of the curves (in pixels) drawn in the plot function (see the draw_surfaces argument description for more details). The argument is used only in the case of the 2D data. The default value is 1.
surfacesColor2D	<p>Determines the color of the curves drawn in the plot function. It can hold the following values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any color format acceptable by the standard R plot function. In that case the color is fixed across the particular clusters.</li> <li>• The "cluster" string indicating, that the plot function will use unique colors for curves (see the draw_surfaces argument description for more details) belonging the different clusters.</li> </ul> <p>The argument is used only in the case of the 2D data. The default value is "black".</p>
XLabel2D	Determines the label on the X axis of the chart drawn by the plot function. The argument is used only in the case of the 2D data. The default value is "X".
YLabel2D	Determines the label on the Y axis of the chart drawn by the plot function. The argument is used only in the case of the 2D data. The default value is "Y".
pointsAlpha3D	Determines the opacity of the points drawn in the plot function. The argument is used only in the case of the 3D data. The default value is 1.
pointsSize3D	Determines the size of the points drawn in the plot function. The size is expressed as the fraction of the maximal extent of the bounding box containing the whole of the data points. The argument is used only in the case of the 3D data. The default value is 0.01.
pointsColor3D	<p>Determines the color of the points drawn in the plot function. It can hold the following values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any color format acceptable by the standard R plot function. In that case the color is fixed across the particular clusters.</li> <li>• The "cluster" string indicating, that the plot function will use unique colors for points belonging to the different clusters.</li> </ul> <p>The argument is used only in the case of the 3D data. The default value is "cluster".</p>
meansAlpha3D	Determines the opacity of the means drawn in the plot function. The argument is used only in the case of the 3D data. The default value is 0.5.

meansSize3D	Determines the size of the means drawn in the plot function. The size is expressed as the fraction of the maximal extent of the bounding box containing the whole of the data points. The argument is used only in the case of the 3D data. The default value is 0.01.
meansColor3D	<p>Determines the color of the means drawn in the plot function. It can hold the following values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any color format acceptable by the standard R plot function. In that case the color is fixed across the particular clusters.</li> <li>The "cluster" string indicating, that the plot function will use unique colors for points belonging to the different clusters.</li> </ul> <p>The argument is used only in the case of the 3D data. The default value is "black".</p>
ellipsoidsAlpha3D	Determines the opacity of the ellipsoids drawn in the plot function. The argument is used only in the case of the 3D data. The default value is 0.25.
ellipsoidsColor3D	<p>Determines the color of the ellipsoids drawn in the plot function. It can hold the following values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any color format acceptable by the standard R plot function. In that case the color is fixed across the particular clusters.</li> <li>The "cluster" string indicating, that the plot function will use unique colors for ellipses of confidence of the different clusters.</li> </ul> <p>The argument is used only in the case of the 3D data. The default value is "cluster".</p>
surfacesAlpha3D	Determines the opacity of the surfaces drawn in the plot function. The argument is used only in the case of the 3D data. The default value is 0.5.
surfacesColor3D	<p>Determines the color of the surfaces drawn in the plot function. It can hold the following values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any color format acceptable by the standard R plot function. In that case the color is fixed across the particular clusters.</li> <li>The "cluster" string indicating, that the plot function will use unique colors for ellipses of confidence of the different clusters.</li> </ul> <p>The argument is used only in the case of the 3D data. The default value is "cluster".</p>
XLabel3D	Determines the label on the X axis of the chart drawn by the plot function. The argument is used only in the case of the 3D data. The default value is "X".
YLabel3D	Determines the label on the Y axis of the chart drawn by the plot function. The argument is used only in the case of the 3D data. The default value is "Y".
ZLabel3D	Determines the label on the Y axis of the chart drawn by the plot function. The argument is used only in the case of the 3D data. The default value is "Z".
...	The remaining unused arguments of the built-in R plot function.

**Value**

None.

See Also

[afCEC](#)

Examples

```
library(afCEC);
data(dog);
res<-afCEC(dog,5,numberOfStarts=1);
plot(res);
```

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rabbit	<i>rabbit</i>
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Description

A 10000 x 3 matrix of three dimensional points uniformly distributed on the surface of the rabbit model.

Examples

```
library(afCEC);
data(rabbit);
plot3d(rabbit);
```

---

ship	<i>ship</i>
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---

Description

A 10000 x 3 matrix of three dimensional points uniformly distributed on the surface of the ship model.

Examples

```
library(afCEC);
data(ship);
plot3d(ship);
```

---

spiral	<i>spiral</i>
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Description

A 312 x 2 matrix of two dimensional points forming the spiral.

Examples

```
library(afCEC);
data(spiral);
plot(spiral);
```

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*trumpet*

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*trumpet***Description**

A 10000 x 3 matrix of three dimensional points uniformly distributed on the surface of the trumpet model.

**Examples**

```
library(afCEC);  
data(trumpet);  
plot3d(trumpet);
```

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