

Package ‘mirtsvd’

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Description Provides singular value decomposition based estimation algorithms for exploratory item factor analysis (IFA) based on multidimensional item response theory models. For more information, please refer to:
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mirtsvd	<i>Item Factor Analysis by Singular Value Decomposition</i>
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Description

Item Factor Analysis by Singular Value Decomposition

Usage

```
mirtsvd(data, K, link = "logit", epsilon = 1e-04, rotation_fn = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>data</code>	the data matrix. Entries are either binary or categorical. Missing entries should be NA.
<code>K</code>	the number of factors.
<code>link</code>	the link function. Possible choices are "logit" and "probit".
<code>epsilon</code>	the truncation parameter. Default value is 1e-4.
<code>rotation_fn</code>	rotation applied to the estimated loading matrix. See rotations . If NULL, no rotation would be applied.
<code>...</code>	optional arguments passed to <code>rotation_fn</code> .

Value

The function returns a list with the following components:

loadings The estimated loading matrix.

rotation The rotation method.

type The data type.

number The number of categories in data.

References

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Examples

```
require(mirtjml)
require(GPARotation)

# load a simulated dataset
attach(data_sim)

data <- data_sim$response
K <- data_sim$K
res <- mirtsvd(data, K, rotation_fn = Varimax)
```

screepLOT_svd

Scree plot for singular values.

Description

Scree plot for singular values.

Usage

```
screepLOT_svd(data, link = "logit", epsilon = 1e-04, K_max = 10)
```

Arguments

data	the data matrix. Entries are either binary or categorical. Missing entries should be NA.
link	the link function. Possible choices are "logit" and "probit".
epsilon	the truncation parameter. Default value is 1e-4.
K_max	The maximum number of factors contained in data. Default value is 10.

References

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Examples

```
require(mirtjml)

# load a simulated dataset
attach(data_sim)

data <- data_sim$response
screepplot_svd(data, K_max = 10)
```

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