

Package ‘dists’

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Type Package

Title Calculate Distances Between Objects Using a Common Interface

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Description General interface for calculating distance between objects.

The package aims to provide a common interface for computing distance functions using a function called `distance()` with a parameter containing the name of the distance to be used (Euclidean, Jaccard, Manhattan, Cosine...). Also, it works with tibbles as input instead of matrices (`dist()` classic function only works with matrices). The distances are computed in C to speed up the execution.

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availableDistances	<i>List of available distances</i>
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Description

‘availableDistance’ returns a list of the available codes representing distance functions that can be used in the methods of this package.

Usage

```
availableDistances()
```

Value

character vector containing the codes of the available distances

distance	<i>Calculate matrix of distances</i>
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Description

‘distance’ returns a matrix of distances between all the objects in data using the distance function indicated in the arguments.

Usage

```
distance(data, distance = "euc")
```

Arguments

data	matrix where each row represent an object of the dataset defined by the variables in the columns. If the object is not a matrix but it has and adequate structure (i.e. it is a tibble or data.frame)it will be cast to matrix by the function.
distance	the three-letters name of the distance function chosen to calculate the distance between the objects of the dataset. Codes:

Details

- can** Canberra distance
- che** Chebyshev distance
- cos** Cosine distance
- euc** Euclidean distance
- jac** Jaccard distance
- man** Manhattan distance
- mat** Matusita distance
- ney** Neyman distance
- pea** Pearson distance
- trd** Triangular discrimination distance

Value

A matrix containing the distance between all the objects of the dataset calculating with the chosen distance function.

distanceBetween	<i>Distance between two vectors</i>
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Description

Calculate the distance between two vector of the same length using the chosen distance function.

Usage

```
distanceBetween(x, y, distance = "euc")
```

Arguments

x	first vector
y	second vector
distance	distance function used to calculate the distance between the vectors

Value

A positive number that is the distance between the two vectors

Examples

```
# Uses the default distance function: Euclidean distance
distanceBetween(c(1, 2, 3), c(3, 2, 1))
```

toy_data	<i>Toy dataset</i>
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Description

Toy dataset

Usage

```
toy_data
```

Format

A tibble with 15 objects and 2 features + real cluster:

V1 Numeric feature

V2 Numeric feature

V2 Cluster of the object

`toy_data1`*Toy dataset*

Description

Toy dataset

Usage`toy_data1`**Format**

A tibble with 5 objects and 2 features:

V1 Numeric feature**V2** Numeric feature

`toy_data2`*Toy dataset*

Description

Toy dataset

Usage`toy_data2`**Format**

A tibble with 5 objects and 3 features:

V1 Numeric feature**V2** Numeric feature**V3** Numeric feature

`toy_data3`*Toy dataset*

Description

Toy dataset

Usage`toy_data3`**Format**

A tibble with 5 objects and 4 features:

V1 Numeric feature**V2** Numeric feature**V3** Numeric feature**V4** Numeric feature

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