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RTC provides a single function tree.clustering, which performs clustering of a given dataset.

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Tree Clustering

Description

Perform tree clustering of a data frame.

Usage

```
tree.clustering(
    ds,
    nsamples=1,
    burnin=100,
    maxiter=NULL,
    limits=NULL,
    fragment.size=NULL,
    max.segments=0,
    nruns=1
)
```

Arguments

ds	Data frame containing t	ne data the be clustered.	Only numeric columns are
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supported at the moment.

nsamples Number of samples to generate using the Metropolis-Hastings algorithm.

burnin Burn-in period, i.e. the number of initial samples to be ignored.

maxiter Maximum number of iterations of the Metropolis-Hastings algorithm. Use maxiter

to ensure ${\tt tree.clustering}$ finishes in a reasonable time even when the accept

rate is low. When 0, the number of iterations is unlimited. Default: (nsamples + burnin)*1000.

limits Parameter space bounds. When NULL, defaults to the range of data in ds.

fragment.size Vector specifying fragment size of parameters. When set, segment ranges are

constrained to be a multiple of fragment size in their respective parameters. The

vector must have the same length as the number of columns in ds.

max.segments Maximum number of segments. When 0, the number of segments is unlimited.

nruns Number of runs. The algorithm is run nruns times, and segmentations are con-

catenated in the result.

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This function performs clustering by constructing a tree approximating the probability density function from which data has been drawn. The tree partitions the parameter space hierarchically into a number of rectangular segments, on which the probability density function is assumed to have a uniform distribution. Possible trees are sampled using the Metropolis-Hastings algorithm.

Value

tree.clustering returns a list of segmentations from the MCMC sampler. Segmentation is a list with the following elements:

likelihood Segmentation likelihood, i.e. the likelihood of the data being drawn from the

segmentation.

segments List of segments.

Segment is a list with the following elements:

NX Number of data elements in the segment.

V Volume of the segment calculated by multiplying the segment lengths over each

parameters.

ranges List of segment ranges over parameters. Range is a vector of two values: the

lower and upper bound (resp.) of the segment in the respective parameter.

Examples

```
data(trees)
tree.clustering(trees, fragment.size=c(0.1,1,0.1))
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