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Details

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hyperoverlap-class	Storage class for the description of hyperoverlaps	

Description

Storage class for the description of hyperoverlaps

Slots

```
entity1 A length-one character vector
entity2 A length-one character vector
dimensions A length n character vector containing the variables used to define the space
occurrences A matrix containing the labelled input data
shape shape of the decision boundary; either "linear" or "curvilinear"
polynomial.order a length-one numeric vector showing the polynomial order of the most accurate kernel function. "0" if linear kernel.

result a length-one character vector, either "overlap" or "non-overlap"
accuracy a 2x2 table with the true (y) and predicted (pred) labels
number.of.points.misclassified a length-one numeric vector
model svm model used to plot decision boundary
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hyperoverlap_detect	Overlap detection in n-dimensional space using support vector machines (SVMs)
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Description

Given a matrix containing the ecological data (x) and labels (y) for two entities, a support vector machine is trained and the predicted label of each point is evaluated. If every point has been classified correctly, the entities can be separated and they do not overlap.

Usage

```
hyperoverlap_detect(x, y, kernel = "polynomial", kernel.degree = 3, cost = 500,
stoppage.threshold = 0.4, verbose = TRUE, set = FALSE)
```

Arguments

x A matrix or data frame containing the variables of interest for both entities.

y A vector of labels.

kernel Character. Either "linear" or "polynomial" (default = "polynomial").

kernel.degree Parameter needed for kernel = polynomial (default = 3).

cost Specifies the SVM margin 'hardness'. Default value is 50, but can be increased

for improved accuracy (although this increases runtimes and memory usage).

stoppage.threshold

Numeric. If the number of points misclassified using a linear hyperplane exceeds this proportion of the number of observations, non-linear separation is not

attempted. Must be between 0 and 1 (default = 0.2).

verbose Logical. If TRUE, prints diagnostic messages.

set Logical. Is this function being called as part of hyperoverlap_set()? Should

not need to be changed.

Details

Input data should be preprocessed so that all variables are comparable (e.g. same order of magnitude). Polynomial kernels allow curvilinear decision boundaries to be found between entities (see https://www.cs.cmu.edu/~ggordon/SVMs/new-svms-and-kernels.pdf). Smaller values of kernel.degree permit less complex decision boundaries; biological significance is likely to be lost at values > 5.

Value

A hyperoverlap-class object

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Examples

```
data = iris[which(iris$Species!=("versicolor")),]
x = hyperoverlap_detect(data[,1:3],data$Species, kernel="linear")
```

hyperoverlap_lda

Hyperoverlap visualisation using linear discriminant analysis (LDA)

Description

Hyperoverlap visualisation using linear discriminant analysis (LDA)

Usage

hyperoverlap_lda(x, return.plot=TRUE, visualise3d=FALSE, showlegend=TRUE)

Arguments

x An hyperoverlap-class object.

return.plot Logical. If TRUE, data are plotted using plot().

visualise3d Logical. If FALSE, data are projected onto two axes (LDA1, residualPCA1). If

TRUE, data are projected onto three axes (LDA1, residualPCA1, residualPCA2)

showlegend Logical. Used for 3D plots.

Details

This function provides a way to visualise overlap (or non-overlap) between classes of high dimensional data. For inspection, it is useful to use the base graphics package (implemented by return.plot=TRUE). The transformed coordinates of each point are also returned as a dataframe, which can be plotted with user-defined parameters.

Value

Returns a dataframe with columns "Entity", "LDA1", "residualPCA1", "residualPCA2" (if visualise3d = TRUE)

See Also

hyperoverlap_detect

Examples

```
#using iris dataset reduced to two species
data = iris[which(iris$Species!=("versicolor")),]
x = hyperoverlap_detect(data[1:4], data$Species)
hyperoverlap_lda(x)
```

hyperoverlap_pairs_plot

Overlap heatmap plotting for analysis of multiple entities

Description

This function plots a matrix of overlap.

Usage

```
hyperoverlap_pairs_plot(x, cols = pal)
```

Arguments

x A matrix of the form produced by produced by hyperoverlap_set() (see De-

tails).

cols A vector of colours (default: c("red", "blue")).

Details

Input matrix must contain columns named "entity1", "entity2" and "result"

Value

A ggplot object

Examples

```
hyperoverlap.iris.set = hyperoverlap_set(iris[1:3],iris$Species, kernel="linear")
hyperoverlap_pairs_plot(hyperoverlap.iris.set)
```

hyperoverlap_plot

Overlap plotting for low-dimensional spaces

Description

Plot the optimal separating hyperplane found by hyperoverlap_detect() in 3D.

Usage

```
hyperoverlap_plot(x)
```

Arguments

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An hyperoverlap-class object.

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See Also

hyperoverlap_detect, hyperoverlap_lda

Examples

```
data = iris[which(iris$Species!=("versicolor")),]
x = hyperoverlap_detect(data[,1:3],data$Species, kernel="linear")
hyperoverlap_plot(x)
```

hyperoverlap_set

Pairwise overlap detection in n-dimensional space of multiple entities using support vector machines (SVMs)

Description

This function is a wrapper for hyperoverlap_detect for pairwise overlap detection between multiple entities.

Usage

```
hyperoverlap_set(x, y, kernel = "polynomial",kernel.degree = 3, cost = 1000,
stoppage.threshold = 0.2, write.to.file = FALSE,
path = NULL,
sample.dimensionality.omit = "FALSE")
```

Arguments

x A matrix or data.frame containing the variables of interest for both entities.

y A vector of labels.

kernel Character. Either "linear" or "polynomial" (default = "polynomial").

kernel.degree Parameter needed for kernel = polynomial (default = 3).

cost Specifies the SVM margin 'hardness'. Default value is 1000, but can be in-

creased for improved accuracy (although this increases runtimes and memory

usage).

stoppage.threshold

Numeric. If the number of points misclassified using a linear hyperplane exceeds this proportion of the number of observations, non-linear separation is not

attempted. Must be between 0 and 1 (default = 0.2).

write.to.file Logical. If TRUE, each hyperoverlap-class object is saved as a .rds file.

path Character. Path to write .rds files to. Ignored if write.to.file=FALSE

sample.dimensionality.omit

Logical. If TRUE, omits any entity pairs with a combined sample size less than n+1, where n is the number of dimensions (see details).

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Details

In n dimensions, any set of points up to n+1 points can be separated using a linear hyperplane. This may produce an artefactual non-overlap result. The sample.dimensionality.omit parameter gives two options for dealing with these pairs when they form part of a larger analysis. If sample.dimensionality.omit = "TRUE", this pair is removed from the analysis (result = NA). If sample.dimensionality.omit = "FALSE", the pair is included, but a warning is printed.

Value

A long-form matrix with the following columns: entity1, entity2, shape, polynomial.order (if kernel="polynomial"), result, number.of.points.misclassified.

If specified, individual Hyperoverlap-class objects are written to file.

Examples

```
data(iris)
hyperoverlap.iris.set = hyperoverlap_set(iris[1:3],iris$Species, kernel="linear")
```

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