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alg.CS

*CS quantile-based clustering algorithm***Description**

This function allows to run the CS (Common theta and Scaled variables through lambda_j) version of the quantile-based clustering algorithm.

Usage

```
alg.CS(data, k = 2, eps = 1e-08, it.max = 100, B = 30, lambda = rep(1,
p))
```

Arguments

data	A numeric vector, matrix, or data frame of observations. Categorical variables are not allowed. If a matrix or data frame, rows correspond to observations and columns correspond to variables.
k	The number of clusters. The default is k=2.
eps	The relative convergence tolerances for objective function. The default is set to 1e-8.
it.max	A number that gives integer limits on the number of the CS algorithm iterations. By default, it is set to 100.
B	The number of times the initialization step is repeated; the default is 30.
lambda	The initial value for lambda_j, the variable scaling parameters. By default, lambdas are set to be equal to 1.

Details

Algorithm CS: Common theta and Scaled variables via lambda_j. A common value of theta is taken but variables are scaled through lambda_j.

Value

A list containing the following elements:

c1	A vector whose [i]th entry is classification of observation i in the test data.
qq	A matrix whose [h,j]th entry is the theta-quantile of variable j in cluster h.
theta	The estimated common theta.
Vseq	The values of the objective function V at each step of the algorithm.
V	The final value of the objective function V.
lambda	A vector containing the scaling factor for each variable.

References

C. Hennig, C. Viroli, L. Anderlucci (2018). *Quantile-based clustering*. <http://arxiv.org/abs/1806.10403>

Examples

```
out <- alg.CS(iris[,-5],k=3)
out$theta
out$qq
out$lambda

table(out$cl)
```

alg.CU

CU quantile-based clustering algorithm

Description

This function allows to run the CU (Common theta and Unscaled variables) version of the quantile-based clustering algorithm.

Usage

```
alg.CU(data, k = 2, eps = 1e-08, it.max = 100, B = 30)
```

Arguments

data	A numeric vector, matrix, or data frame of observations. Categorical variables are not allowed. If a matrix or data frame, rows correspond to observations and columns correspond to variables.
k	The number of clusters. The default is k=2.
eps	The relative convergence tolerances for objective function. The default is set to 1e-8.
it.max	A number that gives integer limits on the number of the CU algorithm iterations. By default, it is set to 100.
B	The number of times the initialization step is repeated; the default is 30.

Details

Algorithm CU: Common theta and Unscaled variables. A common value of theta for all the variables is assumed. This strategy directly generalizes the conventional k-means to other moments of the distribution to better accommodate skewness in the data.

Value

A list containing the following elements:

c1	A vector whose [i]th entry is classification of observation i in the test data.
qq	A matrix whose [h,j]th entry is the theta-quantile of variable j in cluster h.
theta	The estimated common theta.
Vseq	The values of the objective function V at each step of the algorithm.
V	The final value of the objective function V.

References

C. Hennig, C. Viroli, L. Anderlucci (2018). *Quantile-based clustering*. <http://arxiv.org/abs/1806.10403>

Examples

```
out <- alg.CU(iris[,-5],k=3)
out$theta
out$qq

table(out$c1)
```

alg.VS	<i>VS quantile-based clustering algorithm</i>
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Description

This function allows to run the VS (Variable-wise theta_j and Scaled variables through lambda_j) version of the quantile-based clustering algorithm.

Usage

```
alg.VS(data, k = 2, eps = 1e-08, it.max = 100, B = 30, lambda = rep(1,
  p))
```

Arguments

data	A numeric vector, matrix, or data frame of observations. Categorical variables are not allowed. If a matrix or data frame, rows correspond to observations and columns correspond to variables.
k	The number of clusters. The default is k=2.
eps	The relative convergence tolerances for objective function. The default is set to 1e-8.
it.max	A number that gives integer limits on the number of the VS algorithm iterations. By default, it is set to 100.
B	The number of times the initialization step is repeated; the default is 30.
lambda	The initial value for lambda _j , the variable scaling parameters. By default, lambdas are set to be equal to 1.

Details

Algorithm VS: Variable-wise θ_j and Scaled variables via λ_j . A different θ for every single variable is estimated to better accommodate different degree of skewness in the data and variables are scaled through λ_j .

Value

A list containing the following elements:

cl	A vector whose [i]th entry is classification of observation i in the test data.
qq	A matrix whose [h,j]th entry is the θ -quantile of variable j in cluster h.
theta	A vector whose [j]th entry is the percentile θ for variable j.
Vseq	The values of the objective function V at each step of the algorithm.
V	The final value of the objective function V.
lambda	A vector containing the scaling factor for each variable.

References

C. Hennig, C. Viroli, L. Anderlucci (2018). *Quantile-based clustering*. <http://arxiv.org/abs/1806.10403>

Examples

```
out <- alg.VS(iris[,-5],k=3)
out$theta
out$qq
out$lambda

table(out$cl)
```

alg.VU

VU quantile-based clustering algorithm

Description

This function allows to run the VU (Variable-wise θ_j and Unscaled variables) version of the quantile-based clustering algorithm.

Usage

```
alg.VU(data, k = 2, eps = 1e-08, it.max = 100, B = 30)
```

Arguments

data	A numeric vector, matrix, or data frame of observations. Categorical variables are not allowed. If a matrix or data frame, rows correspond to observations and columns correspond to variables.
k	The number of clusters. The default is k=2.
eps	The relative convergence tolerances for objective function. The default is set to 1e-8.
it.max	A number that gives integer limits on the number of the VU algorithm iterations. By default, it is set to 100.
B	The number of times the initialization step is repeated; the default is 30.

Details

Algorithm VU: Variable-wise θ_j and Unscaled variables. A different θ for every single variable is estimated to better accommodate different degree of skewness in the data.

Value

A list containing the following elements:

c1	A vector whose [i]th entry is classification of observation i in the test data.
qq	A matrix whose [h,j]th entry is the theta-quantile of variable j in cluster h.
theta	A vector whose [j]th entry is the percentile theta for variable j.
Vseq	The values of the objective function V at each step of the algorithm.
V	The final value of the objective function V.

References

C. Hennig, C. Viroli, L. Anderlucci (2018). *Quantile-based clustering*. <http://arxiv.org/abs/1806.10403>

Examples

```
out <- alg.VU(iris[, -5], k=3)
out$theta
out$qq

table(out$c1)
```

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