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Description In recognition that there are many factors (genetic loci, macro-genetic factors such as sex, and environmental factors) that influence the extent of environmental variation, the ‘vqtl’ package conducts genome scans that accommodate and target these factors. The main functions of this package, scanonevar() and scanonevar.perm() take as input a cross object from the popular ‘qtl’ package, as described in Corty and Valdar (2019) <doi:10.1534/g3.118.200642>.

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c.scanonevar	<i>c.scanonevar</i>
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Description

combines scanonevar objects that have permutations to improve the precision of the p-value estimates.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'scanonevar'
c(...)
```

Arguments

... the scanonevar objects with permutations to be combined

Value

a scanonevar object that is the concatenation of the inputted scanonevars

effects_over_genome_plot	<i>effects_over_genome_plot</i>
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Description

Plots estimated effects and their standard errors at each locus in the genome.

Usage

```
effects_over_genome_plot(sov, covar_name_regex = ".",
                        effect_type_regex = "(mean|var)", transform_var_effects = TRUE,
                        se_ribbons = TRUE)
```

Arguments

sov	the scanonevar
covar_name_regex	regex that matches the covars we want to plot
effect_type_regex	regex that matches 'mean', 'var', or both
transform_var_effects	combine variance effects w intercept and exponentiate?
se_ribbons	Should a ribbon from estimate - se to estimate + se be plotted?

Value

the plot

is.scanonevar	<i>is.scanonevar</i>
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Description

utilities for working with scanonevar objects

Usage

```
is.scanonevar(x)

is.scanonevar.w.perms(x)

is.cross(x)

is.f2.cross(x)

is.f2.cross(x)

is.cross.w.genoprobs(x)
```

Arguments

x	object being tested
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Value

TRUE if X is a scanonevar object, FALSE otherwise.

TRUE if x is a scanone var with perms (typically, outputted from scanonevar.perm), and FALSE otherwise.

TRUE if x is a cross object, FALSE otherwise.

TRUE if x is a cross object of type F2, FALSE otherwise

TRUE if x is a cross object of type 'bc' (backcross), FALSE otherwise
 TRUE if x is a cross object with valid genoprops for each chromosome, FALSE otherwise

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Examples

```
is.scanonevar(x = 3)

test.cross <- qtl::sim.cross(map = qtl::sim.map(len = rep(20, 4), n.mar = 5))
test.cross <- qtl::calc.genoprob(cross = test.cross, step = 2)

x <- scanonevar(cross = test.cross)
is.scanonevar(x)

is.cross(3)
is.cross(qtl::sim.cross(map = qtl::sim.map()))

is.cross(3)
is.cross(qtl::sim.cross(map = qtl::sim.map()))

is.cross(3)
is.cross(qtl::sim.cross(map = qtl::sim.map()))

a <- qtl::sim.cross(map = qtl::sim.map())
is.cross.w.genoprops(x = a)
b <- qtl::calc.genoprob(cross = a)
is.cross.w.genoprops(x = b)
```

Description

plots with mean along the x axis and standard deviation along the y axis
 plotting functions for package vqtl

Usage

```
mean_var_plot_model_free(cross, phenotype.name, grouping.factor.names,
  title = paste(phenotype.name, "by", paste(grouping.factor.names,
  collapse = ", ")))

mean_var_plot_model_based(cross, phenotype.name, focal.groups = NULL,
  nuisance.groups = NULL, genotype.names = c("AA", "AB", "BB"),
  xlim = NULL, ylim = NULL, title = paste(phenotype.name, "by",
  paste(focal.groups, collapse = ", ")), draw_ribbons = TRUE,
  se_line_size = 1, point_size = 1)

phenotype_at_marker_plot(cross, phenotype_name, marker_name,
  color_by = NULL, shape_by = NULL, point_alpha = 1,
  point_size = 1, Ibars = TRUE, connectIbars = TRUE,
  genotype_labels = NULL)
```

Arguments

<code>cross</code>	the cross
<code>phenotype.name</code>	the name of the phenotype of interest
<code>grouping.factor.names</code>	the factors by which the units are grouped
<code>title</code>	plot title
<code>focal.groups</code>	the focal covariates, whose effects will be plotted. Markers or phenotypes.
<code>nuisance.groups</code>	the nuisance covariates, whose effects will be modeled, then marginalized over. Markers or phenotypes.
<code>genotype.names</code>	plotting names of genotype groups
<code>xlim</code>	x axis limits
<code>ylim</code>	y axis limits
<code>draw_ribbons</code>	Should ribbons be drawn connecting the sub-groups of the focal groups?
<code>se_line_size</code>	thickness of the lines indicating standard error
<code>point_size</code>	size of the plotted points
<code>phenotype_name</code>	The phenotype to plot
<code>marker_name</code>	The marker to stratify observations by
<code>color_by</code>	variable name to color the points by
<code>shape_by</code>	a discrete phenotype to map to the shape aesthetic of the points
<code>point_alpha</code>	alpha value (see-throughness) of the plotted points
<code>Ibars</code>	Should I bars be plotted showing the standard deviation of each group?
<code>connectIbars</code>	Should the Ibars be connected horizontally?
<code>genotype_labels</code>	plotting labels for genotype groups

Value

Nothing, just plot.
nothing, just the plot.
nothing. Just plots.

plot.scanonevar *plot.scanonevar*

Description

plot.scanonevar implements the plot generic for objects of class 'scanonevar'. Because scanonevar objects can be viewed in terms of LODs or empirical p-values, this plotting function checks the 'units' attribute to determine which to plot.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'scanonevar'
plot(x, y = NULL,
      chrs = unique(x[["result"]][["chr"]]), tests_to_plot = c("mQTL",
      "vQTL", "mvQTL"), plotting.units = if (any(grepl(pattern = "empir.p", x
      = names(x[["result"]])))) { "empir.p" } else { "LOD" },
      plot.title = x[["meta"]][["scan.formulae"]][["mean.alt.formula"]][[2]],
      marker.rug = TRUE, ymax = NULL, legend_pos = NULL,
      alpha_pos = c("left", "right", "none"), alpha_chr = 1,
      alpha_size = 2, ...)
```

Arguments

x	the scanonevar object to be plotted
y	Optionally, a scanone object to be plotting for comparison to the scanonevar object.
chrs	Optionally, the subset of the chromosomes to plot
tests_to_plot	which one or ones of the three possible tests to plot ('mQTL', 'vQTL', and 'mvQTL')
plotting.units	One of 'LOD', 'asymp.p', or 'empir.p', implying whether LOD scores, asymptotic p-values, or empirical p-values should be plotted. Defaults to 'LOD'
plot.title	the title of the plot
marker.rug	Should a marker rug be plotted? Defaults to TRUE.
ymax	the top of the y axis
legend_pos	the position of the legend
alpha_pos	the position of the alpha values (false positive rate)
alpha_chr	which chromosome to put the alphas (FPRs) on
alpha_size	size of annotations for alpha=0.05 and alpha=0.01 lines
...	additional plotting arguments

Details

If such a strong signal was observed that the empirical p-value underflows R's float type, this function produces an error. The author is open to suggestions on how to deal with this situation better.

These plots look better when both x (the scanonevar object) and y (optional scanone for comparison) are in units p values than when they are in LOD units.

none

Value

Returns the plot.

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Examples

```
set.seed(27599)
test.cross <- qtl::sim.cross(map = qtl::sim.map(len = rep(20, 3), n.mar = 5), n.ind = 50)
test.sov <- scanonevar(cross = test.cross)
plot(x = test.sov)
```

pve

percent variance explained

Description

percent variance explained

Usage

pve(LOD, n)

Arguments

LOD	the log odds between the null and alternative model
n	the number of observations

Value

pve

scanonevar	<i>scanonevar</i>
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Description

`scanonevar` conducts a genome scan in an experimental cross, accommodating covariate effects in residual variance and identifying genetic effects on residual variance.

Usage

```
scanonevar(cross, mean.formula = phenotype ~ mean.QTL.add + mean.QTL.dom,
           var.formula = ~var.QTL.add + var.QTL.dom, chrs = qtl::chrnames(cross
           = cross), scan_types = c("mQTL", "vQTL", "mvQTL"),
           glm_family = "gaussian", return.covar.effects = FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>cross</code>	The cross, built by qtl to be used in mapping
<code>mean.formula</code>	The formula to describe the mean of the phenotype. Keywords are <code>mean.QTL.add</code> and <code>mean.QTL.dom</code> for the additive and dominance components of the QTL effect on the mean. <code>dglm</code> model will be fit if <code>mean.formula</code> has only fixed effects. <code>hglm</code> model will be fit if <code>mean.formula</code> has one or more random effects.
<code>var.formula</code>	The formula to describe the residual variance of the phenotype. Keywords are <code>var.QTL.add</code> and <code>var.QTL.dom</code> for the additive and dominance components of the QTL effect on residual phenotype variance. <code>var.formula</code> must have only fixed effects.
<code>chrs</code>	chromosomes to scan
<code>scan_types</code>	a vector containing at least one of 'mQTL', 'vQTL', and 'mvQTL', or up to all three.
<code>glm_family</code>	a character vector indicating the GLM family – either 'gaussian' or 'poisson'
<code>return.covar.effects</code>	Should covariate effects estimated at each locus be returned?

Value

27599

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Examples

```
set.seed(27599)
test.cross <- qtl::sim.cross(map = qtl::sim.map(len = rep(20, 5), n.mar = 5), n.ind = 50)
scanonevar(cross = test.cross)
```

scanonevar.boot *scanonevar.boot*

Description

`scanonevar.boot` conducts a nonparametric bootstrap of one chromosome to establish a confidence interval on any peaks

Usage

```
scanonevar.boot(sov, n.resamples, chr, qtl_type = c("mQTL", "vQTL",
  "mvQTL"), random.seed = 27599, n.cores = parallel::detectCores() - 2,
  silent = FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>sov</code>	the <code>scanonevar</code> whose significance should be assessed empirically in an FWER-controlling method
<code>n.resamples</code>	the number of resamples
<code>chr</code>	which chromosome to focus on
<code>qtl_type</code>	which type of QTL did you detect and want a CI for? mQTL, vQTL, or mvQTL.
<code>random.seed</code>	value to start the random number generator at, for reproducibility
<code>n.cores</code>	number of cores to use for the permutations
<code>silent</code>	Should all messaging be suppressed?

Value

27599

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Examples

```
set.seed(27599)
test.cross <- qtl::sim.cross(map = qtl::sim.map(len = rep(20, 5), n.mar = 5), n.ind = 50)
sov <- scanonevar(cross = test.cross)
```

`scanonevar.perm` *scanonevar.perm*

Description

`scanonevar.perm` conducts many permuted forms of the `scanonevar` inputted, to assess the statistical significance of the results in the inputted `scanonevar` in a FWER-controlling manner.

Usage

```
scanonevar.perm(sov, n.perms, random.seed = 27599,
  n.cores = parallel::detectCores() - 2, silent = TRUE)
```

Arguments

<code>sov</code>	the <code>scanonevar</code> whose significance should be assessed empirically in an FWER-controlling method
<code>n.perms</code>	the number of permutations to do
<code>random.seed</code>	value to start the random number generator at, for reproducibility
<code>n.cores</code>	number of cores to use for the permutations
<code>silent</code>	Should all messaging be suppressed?

Value

27599

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Examples

```
set.seed(27599)
test.cross <- qtl::sim.cross(map = qtl::sim.map(len = rep(20, 5), n.mar = 5), n.ind = 50)
scanonevar(cross = test.cross)
```

```
summary.scanonevar      summary.scanonevar
```

Description

`summary.scanonevar` prints out the loci in a scanonevar object that exceed thresh. It is an S3 generic for `summary()`. It handles scanonevar objects in both LOD units and empirical p value units.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'scanonevar'  
summary(object, units = c("lod", "asymp.p",  
  "empir.p"), thresh, ...)
```

Arguments

object	the scanonevar object to be summarized
units	Which units should be used to summarise? 'lod', 'asymp.p', or 'empir.p'
thresh	the threshold over which (for LODs) or under which (for empirical p values) a locus will be printed.
...	additional arguments controlling the summary

Details

none

Value

None. Only prints results to screen.

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