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dist_cen *Centroid distance between two groups*

Description

Calculate the Centroid (Euclidean) distance between two groups in a high-dimensional space ($d > n$), with support for a single-member cluster. It also works in low-dimensional settings.

Usage

```
dist_cen(x, group)
```

Arguments

x	x is n by d matrix
group	group is a binary group label with the length of n1 and n2

Value

A numeric value of distance

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Examples

```
data(leukemia)
group = leukemia$Y      # 38 patients status with a value of 1 or 2
x = leukemia$X          # 38 by 3051 genes

# apply the function
dist_cen(x, group) # 25.4
```

dist_mah	<i>ridge Mahalanobis distance between two groups</i>
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Description

Calculate the Mahalanobis distance between two groups in a high-dimensional space ($d > n$), using a ridge correction on the covariance matrix to ensure invertibility. The method also supports a single-member cluster and works in low-dimensional settings without a ridge correction.

Usage

```
dist_mah(x, group, alpha)
```

Arguments

x	x is n by d matrix
group	group is a binary group label with the length of n1 and n2
alpha	alpha is a positive numeric value representing the ridge correction constant. If not specified, the default value is set to $\sqrt{\log(d)/n}$.

Value

A numeric value of distance

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Examples

```

data(leukemia)
group = leukemia$Y      # 38 patients status with a value of 1 or 2
x = leukemia$X          # 38 x 3051 genes

# apply the function
dist_mah(x, group)     # 26.8

# default alpha
d = 3051; n = 38
alpha = sqrt(log(d)/n)
dist_mah(x, group, alpha) # 26.8

```

dist_mdp	<i>ridge Mahalanobis distance between two groups</i>
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Description

Calculate the MDP (maximal data piling) distance between two groups in a high-dimensional space ($d > n$), with support for a single-member cluster. It also works in low-dimensional settings.

Usage

```
dist_mdp(x, group)
```

Arguments

x	x is n by d matrix
group	group is a binary group label with the length of n1 and n2

Value

A numeric value of distance

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Examples

```

data(leukemia)
group = leukemia$Y      # 38 patients status with a value of 1 or 2
x = leukemia$X          # 38 x 3051 genes

# apply the function
dist_mah(x, group)     # 26.8

```

leukemia

Gene expression data from Golub et al. (1999)

Description

Gene expression data (3051 genes and 38 tumor mRNA samples) from the leukemia microarray study of Golub et al. (1999).)

Usage

```
data(leukemia)
```

Format

A list with the following elements:

- X: a (38 by 3051) matrix giving the expression levels of 3051 genes for 38 leukemia patients. Each row corresponds to a patient, each column to a gene.
- Y: a numeric vector of length 38 giving the cancer class of each patient.
- gene.names: a matrix containing the names of the 3051 genes for the gene expression matrix X. The three columns correspond to the gene index, ID, and Name, respectively.

Source

The data are described in Golub et al. (1999) and can be freely downloaded from http://www.broadinstitute.org/cgi-bin/cancer/publications/pub_paper.cgi?paper_id=43.

References

S. Dudoit, J. Fridlyand and T. P. Speed (2002). Comparison of discrimination methods for the classification of tumors using gene expression data, *Journal of the American Statistical Association* 97, 77-87.

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See Also

```
plsgenomics::leukemia
```

Examples

```
data(leukemia)

# how many samples and genes?
dim(leukemia$X)

# how many samples of class 1 and 2, respectively?
table(leukemia$Y)
```

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