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A package to train and apply K-Top-Scoring-Pair (KTSP) classifiers.

Description

The switchBox package allows to train and apply a K-Top-Scoring-Pair (KTSP) classifier with learning mechanism proposed in Afsari et al (AOAS, 2014) and as used by Marchionni et al (BMC Genomics, 2013). KTSP is an extension of the TSP classifier described by Geman and colleagues (Bioinformatics, 2005). The TSP algorithm is a simple binary classifier based on the reversal ordering across phenotypes of two measurements (e.g. gene expression reversals from normal to cancer.)

switchBox package features

The switchBox package contains several utilities enabling to:

A) Filter the features to be used to develop the classifier (i.e., differentially expressed genes);
B) Compute the scores for all available feature pairs to identify the top performing TSP;
C) Compute the scores for selected feature pairs to identify the top performing TSP;
D) Identify the number of $K$ TSP to be used in the final classifier using the analysis of variance;
E) Compute individual TSP votes for one class or the other and combine the votes based on user defined methods;
F) Classify new samples based on the top KTSP based on various methods.

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References


Function to classify samples using a KTSP classifier.

Description

KTSP.ClassifY classifies new test samples using KTSP coming out of the function KTSP.Train. This function was used in Marchionni et al, 2013, BMC Genomics, and it is maintained only for backward compatibility. It has been replaced by SWAP.KTSP.ClassifY.

Usage

KTSP.ClassifY(data, classifier, combineFunc)

Arguments

data the test data: a matrix in which the rows represent the genes and the columns the samples.
classifier The output of KTSP.Train, a KTSP classifier.
combineFunc A user defined function to combine the predictions of the individual K TSPs. If missing the consensus classification among the majority of the TSPs will be used.

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References

See switchBox for the references.

See Also

KTSP.Train, SWAP.KTSP.ClassifY.

Examples

#################################################
### Load gene expression data for the training set
data(trainingData)

### Turn into a numeric vector with values equal to 0 and 1
trainingGroupNum <- as.numeric(trainingGroup) - 1

### Show group variable for the TRAINING set
table(trainingGroupNum)
### Train a classifier using default filtering function based on the Wilcoxon test

classifier <- KTSP.Train(matTraining, trainingGroupNum, n=8)

### Show the classifier
classifier

### Testing on new data

### Load the example data for the TEST set
data(testingData)

### Turn into a numeric vector with values equal to 0 and 1
testingGroupNum <- as.numeric(testingGroupNum) - 1

### Show group variable for the TEST set
table(testingGroupNum)

### Apply the classifier to one sample of the TEST set using
### sum of votes greater than 2
testPrediction <- KTSP.Classify(matTesting, classifier,
    combineFunc = function(x) sum(x) < 2.5)

### Show prediction
table(testPrediction, testingGroupNum)

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**KTSP.Train**

*Function for training the K-TSP classifier.*

**Description**

KTSP.Train trains a K-TSP classifier for the specific phenotype of interest. The classifiers resulting from using this function can be passed to KTSP.Classify for samples classification. This function was used in Marchionni et al, 2013, BMC Genomics, and it is maintained only for backward compatibility. It has been replaced by SWAP.KTSP.Train.

**Usage**

KTSP.Train(data, situation, n)

**Arguments**

- `data`: the matrix of the values (usually gene expression) to be used to train the classifier. The columns represents samples and the rows represents the genes.
- `situation`: an integer vector containing the training labels. Its elements should be one or zero.
The number of disjoint TSP used for classification. If before n pairs, the score drops to zero, the TSP with zero score are ignored.

Value

The KTSP classifier, a list containing the following elements:

- **TSPs**: a matrix containing TSPs indexes.
- **score**: a vector containing TSPs scores.
- **geneNames**: a matrix containing TSPs feature names.

It should be passed to KTSP.Classify for classification of test samples.

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References

See switchBox for the references.

See Also

KTSP.Classify, SWAP.KTSP.Train,

Examples

```
#############################################################
### Load gene expression data for the training set
data(trainingData)

### Turn into a numeric vector with values equal to 0 and 1
trainingGroupNum <- as.numeric(trainingGroup) - 1

### Show group variable for the TRAINING set
table(trainingGroupNum)

#############################################################
### Train a classifier using default filtering function based on the Wilcoxon test
classifier <- KTSP.Train(matTraining, trainingGroupNum, n=8)

### Show the classifier
classifier
```
matTesting

Gene expression matrix for test set data

Description

A numerical matrix containing gene expression matrix for 70 genes and 307 breast cancer patients (test set data) from the Buyse et al cohort (see the `mammaPrintData` package).

Usage

data(matTesting)

Format

The `matTesting` matrix contains normalized expression values for the 70 gene signature (rows) across 307 samples (columns). Group information (emph"bad" versus "good" prognosis) is shown in colnames(matTesting).

Details

This dataset corresponds to the breast cancer patients' cohort published by Buyse and colleagues in JNCI (2006). The gene expression matrix was obtained from the `mammaPrintData` package as described by Marchionni and colleagues in BMC Genomics (2013).

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References

See `switchBox` for the references.

See Also

`matTraining`

Examples

```r
### Load gene expression data for the test set
data(matTesting)

### Show the class of the 'matTesting' object
class(matTesting)

### Show the dimensions of the 'matTesting' matrix
dim(matTesting)

### Show the first 10 sample names of the 'matTest' matrix
```
Description

A numerical matrix containing gene expression matrix for 70 genes and 78 breast cancer patients (training set data) from the Glas et al cohort (see the `mammaprintdata` package).

Usage

data(trainingData)

Format

The `matTraining` matrix contains normalized expression values for the 70 gene signature (rows) across 78 samples (columns). Group information (emph“bad” versus “good” prognosis) is shown in `colnames(matTraining)`.

Details

This dataset corresponds to the breast cancer patients’ cohort published by Glas and colleagues in BMC Genomics (2006). The gene expression matrix was obtained from the `mammaprintdata` package as described by Marchionni and colleagues in BMC Genomics (2013).

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References

See `switchBox` for the references.

See Also

`matTesting`

Examples

```r
### Load gene expression data for the training set
data(trainingData)

### Show the class of the `matTraining` object
class(matTraining)
```
### Show the dimensions of the "matTraining" matrix

```r
dim(matTraining)
```

### Show the first 10 sample names of the "matTraining" matrix

```r
head(colnames(matTraining), n=10)
```

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#### SWAP.CalculateSignedScore

*Function to calculate the pair-wise scores.*

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**Description**

SWAP.CalculateSignedScore calculates the pair-wise scores between features pairs. The user may pass a filtering function to reduce the number of starting features, or provide a restricted set of pairs to limit the reported scores to this list.

**Usage**

```r
SWAP.CalculateSignedScore(inputMat, phenoGroup, FilterFunc = SWAP.Filter.Wilcoxon, RestrictedPairs, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- **inputMat** is a numerical matrix containing the measurements (e.g., gene expression data) to be used to build the K-TSP classifier. The columns represent samples and the rows represent the features (e.g., genes). The number of columns must agree with the length of phenoGroup. Note that `rownames(inputMat)` will be construed as feature names (e.g., gene symbols) in all subsequent analyses.

- **phenoGroup** is a factor containing the training phenotypes with two levels.

- **FilterFunc** is a filtering function to reduce the starting number of features to be used to identify the Top Scoring Pairs (TSPs). The default filter is based on the Wilcoxon rank-sum test and alternative filtering functions can be passed too (see `SWAP.Filter.Wilcoxon` for details). Note the filtering function must return feature names, i.e. a subset of `rownames(inputMat)`.

- **RestrictedPairs** is a character matrix with two columns containing the feature pairs to be considered for score calculations. Each row should contain a pair of feature names matching the `rownames(inputMat)`. If RestrictedPairs is missing all available feature pairs will be considered.

- **...** Additional argument passed to the filtering function `FilterFunc`. 

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Value

The output is a list containing the following items:

- **labels**: the levels (phenotypes) in phenogroup.
- **P**: a matrix or a vector containing the probability of comparisons in samples with phenotype equal to \( \text{label}[1] \). In case RestrictedPairs is not given, \( P \) is a matrix and \( P[i,j] = P(\text{InputMat1}[i,] < \text{InputMat2}[j,] \mid \text{phenogroup} == \text{label}[1]) \). In case RestrictedPairs is given, \( P[k] = P(\text{InputMat1}[\text{RestrictedPairs[k,1],}] < \text{InputMat2}[\text{RestrictedPairs[k,2],}] \mid \text{phenogroup} == \text{label}[1]) \).
- **Q**: a matrix or a vector containing the probability of comparisons in samples with phenotype \( \text{label}[2] \).
- **score**: a matrix or a vector containing the pair-wise scores. Basically, \( \text{score} = P - Q + C \). The \( C \) term is the tie breaker and proportion to the secondary score to avoid the ties.

Note that the \( P, Q, \) and \( \text{score} \) list elements are matrices when scores are computed for all possible feature pairs, while they are vectors when scores are computed for restricted pairs defined by RestrictedPairs.

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References

See switchBox for the references.

See Also

See SWAP.KTSP.Train, SWAP.Filter.Wilcoxon, and SWAP.KTSP.Statistics.

Examples

```r
### Load gene expression data for the training set
data( trainingData )

### Show group variable for the TRAINING set
table( trainingGroup )

### Compute the scores using all features (a matrix will be returned)
scores <- SWAP.CalculateSignedScore( matTraining, trainingGroup, FilterFunc=NULL, )

### Show scores
class(scores)
dim(scores$score)

### Get the scores for a couple of features
diag(scores$score[ 1:3 , 5:7 ])
```
### SWAP.Filter.Wilcoxon

#### Description

SWAP.Filter.Wilcoxon filters the features to top differential expressed to be used for KTSP classifier implementation.

#### Usage

SWAP.Filter.Wilcoxon(phenoGroup, inputMat, featureNo = 100, UpDown = TRUE)

#### Arguments

- **phenoGroup**
  a factor with levels containing training labels for the phenotype of interest.

- **inputMat**
  a numerical matrix containing feature measurements to be used to implement the classifier (e.g., the set of gene expression values). The columns of this matrix correspond to samples and must correspond to phenoGroup. The rows represent the features and rownames(inputMat) will be used as feature names.

- **featureNo**
  an integer specifying the number of different features to be returned.

- **UpDown**
  logical value specifying whether an equal proportion of features displaying opposite change across the two phenotypes should be returned (e.g., an equal number of up- and down-regulated genes).

#### Value

The names of the features that survived the statistical filtering, i.e. differential expressed features.

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```r
### Compute the scores using the default filtering function for 20 features
scores <- SWAP.CalculateSignedScore(matTraining, trainingGroup, featureNo=20)

### Show scores
dim(scores$score)

### Creating some random pairs
set.seed(123)
somePairs <- matrix(sample(rownames(matTraining), 25, replace=FALSE), ncol=2)

### Compute the scores for restricted pairs (a vector will be returned)
scores <- SWAP.CalculateSignedScore(matTraining, trainingGroup,
  FilterFunc = NULL, RestrictedPairs = somePairs )

### Show scores
class(scores$score)
length(scores$score)
```

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**Statistical feature filtering based on Wilcoxon test on the ranks of expressions.**
SWAP.KTSP.Classify

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References
See switchBox for the references.

See Also
SWAP.KTSP.Classify, SWAP.Filter.Wilcoxon, SWAP.CalculateSignedScore

Examples

### Load gene expression data for the training set
data(trainingData)

### Return equal numbers of up- and down-regulated features (default)
SWAP.Filter.Wilcoxon(trainingGroup, matTraining, featureNo=10)

### Return the top 10 differentially expressed features irrespective to
### the direction of change.
### By setting the argument 'UpDown' equal to FALSE the number of
### up- and down-regulated features can be different
SWAP.Filter.Wilcoxon(trainingGroup, matTraining, featureNo=10, UpDown=FALSE)

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SWAP.KTSP.Classify   Function to classify samples using a KTSP classifier.

Description

SWAP.KTSP.Classify classifies new test samples using KTSP coming out of the function SWAP.KTSP.Train.

Usage

SWAP.KTSP.Classify(inputMat, classifier, DecisionFunc)

Arguments

inputMat    is a numerical matrix containing the measurements (e.g., gene expression data)
            to be used with a K-TSP classifier to classify the samples in a specific class or
            the other. In this numerical matrix the columns represent the samples and the
            rows represent the features (e.g., genes) used by the classification rule. Note that
            rownames(inputMat) will be used to select the features (e.g., gene symbols)
            contained in the K-TSP classifier.

classifier    the classifier obtained by invoking SWAP.KTSP.Train.
DecisionFunc is the function used to generate the final classification prediction by combining the comparisons of the TSPs in the classifier. By default each sample is classified according to the class voted by the majority of the TSPs ("majority wins" principle). Different decision rules can be also specified using alternative functions passed DecisionFunc, as described below (see "details").

Details

The SWAP.KTSP.Classify classifies new test samples based on a specific decision rule. By default, each sample is classified based on the the majority voting rule of the comparisons of TSPs in the classifier. Alternative rules can be defined by the user and passed to SWAP.KTSP.Classify using the argument DecisionFunc. A decision function takes as its input a logical vector x corresponding to the individual decision of each TSP (TRUE if the first feature in the pair is larger then the second, FALSE in the opposite case). The output of the DecisionFunction is a single logical value summarizing all votes of the individual TSPs (see examples below).

Value

This function returns the predicted class for each sample in the form of a factor.

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References

See switchBox for the references.

See Also

SWAP.KTSP.Train, SWAP.Filter.Wilcoxon, SWAP.CalculateSignedScore

Examples

###################################################################
### Load gene expression data for the training set
data(trainingData)

### Show group variable for the TRAINING set
table(trainingGroup)

###################################################################
### Train a classifier using default filtering function based on the Wilcoxon test
classifier <- SWAP.KTSP.Train(matTraining, trainingGroup, krange=c(3, 5, 8:15))

### Show the classifier
classifier
### Apply the classifier to the TRAINING set using default decision rule

```r
trainingPrediction <- SWAP.KTSP.Classify(matTraining, classifier)
```

### Resubstitution performance in the TRAINING set

- Define a "positive" test result if needed
- `table(trainingPrediction, trainingGroup)`

### Use an alternative DecideFunction to classify each patient

- Here for instance at least two TSPs must agree
- `trainingPrediction <- SWAP.KTSP.Classify(matTraining, classifier, DecisionFunc = function(x) sum(x) > 5.5 )`

### Contingency table for the TRAINING set

- `table(trainingPrediction, trainingGroup)`

### Testing on new data

- Load the example data for the TEST set
- `data(testingData)`

- Show group variable for the TEST set
- `table(testingGroup)`

- Apply the classifier to one sample of the TEST set using default decision rule
- `testPrediction <- SWAP.KTSP.Classify(matTesting[ , 1, drop=FALSE], classifier)`

- Show prediction
- `testPrediction`

- Apply the classifier to the complete the TEST set

- Using decision rule defined above (agreement of two TSPs)
- `testPrediction <- SWAP.KTSP.Classify(matTesting, classifier, DecisionFunc = function(x) sum(x) > 5.5)`

- Show prediction
- `head(testPrediction, n=10)`

- Contingency table for the TEST set
- `table(testPrediction, testingGroup)`

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**SWAP.KTSP.Statistics**

*Function computing TSP votes (comparisons) and combine their votes. The default is the kTSP statistics, sum of the votes.*
Description

SWAP.KTSP.Statistics computes the votes in favor of one of the classes or the other for each TSP. This function also computes the final, combined, consensus of all TSP votes based on a specific decision rules. The default is the kTSP statistics, sum of the votes.

Usage

SWAP.KTSP.Statistics(inputMat, classifier, CombineFunc)

Arguments

- **inputMat**: is a numerical matrix containing the measurements (e.g., gene expression data) to be used to compute the individual TSP votes and their consensus. Like the matrix used for training classifier (in SWAP.KTSP.Train function), inputMatrix rows represent the features and the columns represent the samples.
- **classifier**: the classifier obtained by invoking SWAP.KTSP.Train.
- **CombineFunc**: is the function used to combine the votes (i.e., comparisons) of individual TSPs contained in the classifier. By default, the consensus is the count of the votes taking into account the order of the features in each TSP. Using this argument alternative aggregating functions can be also passed to SWAP.KTSP.Statistics as described below (see “details”).

Details

For each TSP in the KTSP classifier, SWAP.KTSP.Statistics computes the vote in favor of one of classes or the other. This function also aggregates the individual TSP votes and computes a final consensus of all TSP votes based on specific combination rules. By default, this combination is achieved by counting the comparisons (votes) of TSPs as follows: If the first feature is larger than the second one, the TSP vote is positive, else the TSP vote is negative. Different combination rules can also be specified by defining an alternative combination function and by passing it to SWAP.KTSP.Statistics using the CombineFunc argument. A combination function takes as its input a logical vector x corresponding to the sample TSP comparisons (TRUE if the first feature in the pair is larger then the second, FALSE in the opposite case). The output of the CombineFunction is a single value summarizing the votes of all individual TSPs (see examples below). Note that CombineFunction function must operate on a logical vector as input and the outcome must be real value number.

Value

A list containing the following two components:

- **statistics**: a named vector containing the aggregated summary statistics computed by CombineFunc. The names correspond to samples and are derived from colnames(inputMat).
- **comparisons**: a logical matrix containing the individual TSP votes (TRUE if the first pair feature is larger then the second one, FALSE otherwise). The columns of this matrix correspond to TSP comparisons and are named accordingly using feature names derived from rownames(inputMat). The columns of this matrix correspond to the samples and are named accordingly using colnames(inputMat).
SWAP.KTSP.Statistics

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References
See switchBox for the references.

See Also
SWAP.KTSP.Classify, SWAP.Filter.Wilcoxon, SWAP.CalculateSignedScore

Examples

### Load gene expression data for the training set
data(trainingData)

### Show group variable for the TRAINING set
table(trainingGroup)

### Train a classifier using default filtering function based on the Wilcoxon test
classifier <- SWAP.KTSP.Train(matTraining, trainingGroup,
    FilterFunc = NULL, krange=8)

### Show the TSP in the classifier
classifier$TSPs

### Compute the TSP votes and combine them using various methods

#### Here we will use the count of the signed TSP votes
ktspStatDefault <- SWAP.KTSP.Statistics(inputMat = matTraining,
    classifier = classifier)

#### Here we will use the sum of the TSP votes
ktspStatSum <- SWAP.KTSP.Statistics(inputMat = matTraining,
    classifier = classifier, CombineFunc=sum)

#### Here, for instance, we will apply a hard threshold equal to 2
ktspStatThreshold <- SWAP.KTSP.Statistics(inputMat = matTraining,
    classifier = classifier, CombineFunc = function(x) sum(x) > 2 )

#### Show components
names(ktspStatDefault)

#### Show some of the votes
head(ktspStatDefault$comparisons[, 1:2])
### Show default statistics
head(ktspStatDefault$statistics)

### Show statistics obtained using the sum
head(ktspStatSum$statistics)

### Show statistics obtained using the hard threshold
head(ktspStatThreshold)

### Make a heatmap showing the individual TSPs votes
colorForRows <- as.character(l+as.numeric(trainingGroup))
heatmap(l+ktspStatDefault$comparisons, scale="none",
       margins = c(10, 5), cexCol=0.5, cexRow=0.5,
       labRow=trainingGroup, RowSideColors=colorForRows)

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**SWAP.KTSP.Train**

*Function for training the K-TSP classifier.*

**Description**

**SWAP.KTSP.Train** trains a binary K-TSP classifier. The classifiers resulting from using this function can be passed to **SWAP.KTSP.Classify** for samples classification.

**Usage**

```r
SWAP.KTSP.Train(inputMat, phenoGroup, krange = c(3, 5, 7:10),
                 FilterFunc = SWAP.Filter.Wilcoxon, RestrictedPairs, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- **inputMat** is a numerical matrix containing the measurements (*e.g.*, gene expression data) to be used to build the K-TSP classifier. The columns represent samples and the rows represent the features (*e.g.*, genes). The number of columns must agree with the length of phenoGroup. Note that rownames(inputMat) will be used as the feature names (*e.g.*, gene symbols) in all subsequent analyses.

- **phenoGroup** is a factor with two levels containing the phenotype information used to train the K-TSP classifier. In order to identify the best TSP to be included in the classifier, the features contained in inputMat will be compared between the two groups defined by this factor. Levels from phenoGroup will be also used to reorder the features in each TSP such as the first feature is larger than the second one in the group corresponding to first level, and *vice-versa.*

- **krange** an integer (or a vector of integers) defining the candidate number of Top Scoring Pairs (TSPs) from which the algorithm chooses to build the final classifier. The algorithm uses the mechanism in Afsari et al (AOAS, 2014) to select the number of pairs and pair of features.
FilterFunc is a filtering function to reduce the starting number of features to be used to identify the Top Scoring Pairs (TSP). The default filter is differential expression test based on the Wilcoxon rank-sum test and alternative filtering functions can be passed too (see SWAP.Filter.Wilcoxon for details). The output of the function must be subset of rownames(inputMat).

RestrictedPairs is a character matrix with two columns containing the feature pairs to be considered for score calculations. Each row should contain a pair of feature names matching the rownames of inputMat. If RestrictedPairs is missing all available feature pairs will be considered.

Value

The KTSP classifier, in the form of a list, which contains the following components:

- name: The classifier name.
- TSPs: A k by 2 matrix, containing the feature names for each TSP. These names correspond to the rownames(inputData). In this matrix each row corresponds to a specific TSP. For each TSP (i.e. row in the TSPs matrix) the order of the features is such that the first one is on average smaller than the second one in the pheno-typic group defined by the first levels of the phenoGroup factor and vice-versa. The algorithm uses the mechanism in Afsari et al (2014) to select the number of pairs and pair of features.
- $score: scores TSP for the top k TSPs.
- $label: The class labels. These labels correspond to the phenoGroup factor levels and will be used label any new sample classified by the SWAP.KTSP.Classify function.

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References

See switchBox for the references.

See Also

SWAP.KTSP.Classify, SWAP.Filter.Wilcoxon, SWAP.CalculateSignedScore

Examples

```
# Load gene expression data for the training set
data(trainingData)
```
### Show group variable for the TRAINING set

table(trainingGroup)

### Train a classifier using default filtering function based on the Wilcoxon test

classifier <- SWAP.KTSP.Train(matTraining, trainingGroup, krange=c(3, 5, 8:15))

### Show the classifier

classifier

### Train another classifier from the top 4 best features

### according to the deafault filtering function

classifier <- SWAP.KTSP.Train(matTraining, trainingGroup, FilterFunc=SWAP.Filter.Wilcoxon, featureNo=4)

### Show the classifier

classifier

### To use all features "FilterFunc" must be set to NULL

classifier <- SWAP.KTSP.Train(matTraining, trainingGroup, FilterFunc=NULL)

### Show the classifier

classifier

### Train a classifier using and alternative filtering function.

### For instance we can use the a "t.test" to selec the features with an absolute t-statistics larger than a specified quantile

topRttest <- function(situation, data, quant = 0.75) {
  out <- apply(data, 1, function(x, ...) t.test(x ~ situation)$statistic )
  names(out[ abs(out) > quantile(abs(out), quant) ])
}

### Show the top features selected

topRttest(trainingGroup, matTraining, quant=0.95)

### Train a classifier using the alternative filtering function

### and also define the maximum number of TSP using "krange"

classifier <- SWAP.KTSP.Train(matTraining, trainingGroup, FilterFunc = topRttest, quant = 0.75, krange=c(15:30) )

### Show the classifier

classifier

### Training with restricted pairs
### Define a set of specific pairs to be used for classifier development
### For this example we will a random set of features
### In a real example these pairs should be provided by the user.
set.seed(123)
somePairs <- matrix(sample(rownames(matTraining), 6^2, replace=FALSE), ncol=2)
head(somePairs, n=3)
dim(somePairs)

### Train a classifier using the restricted feature pairs and the default filtering
classifier <- SWAP.KTSP.Train(matTraining, trainingGroup,
    RestrictedPairs = somePairs, krange=3:16)

### Show the classifier
classifier

testingGroup

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>testingGroup</th>
<th>Testing set phenotypes</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>

**Description**

A factor with two levels describing the phenotypes for the testing data (Buyse et al cohort, (see the `mammaPrintData` package).

**Usage**

data(testingData)

**Format**

The `matTesting` factor contains phenotypic information for the 307 samples of the testing dataset.

**Details**

This phenotype factor corresponds to the breast cancer patients' cohort published by Buyse and colleagues in JNCI (2006). The gene expression matrix was obtained from the `mammaPrintData` package as described by Marchionni and colleagues in BMC Genomics (2013).

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**References**

See `switchBox` for the references.

**See Also**

`trainingGroup`
Examples

```r
### Load gene expression data for the test set
data(testingData)

### Show the class of the `testingGroup` object
class(testingGroup)

### Show group variable
table(testingGroup)
```

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>trainingGroup</th>
<th>Training set phenotypes</th>
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Description

A factor with two levels describing the phenotypes for the training data (Glas et al cohort, see the `mammaPrintData` package).

Usage

data(trainingData)

Format

The `trainingGroup` factor contains phenotypic information for the 78 samples of the training dataset.

Details

This phenotype factor corresponds to the breast cancer patients' cohort published by Glas and colleagues in BMC Genomics (2006). The information was obtained from the `mammaPrintData` package as described by Marchionni and colleagues in BMC Genomics (2013).

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References

See `switchBox` for the references.

See Also

`testingGroup`
Examples

### Load gene expression data for the training set
```r
data(trainingData)
```

### Show the class of the `trainingGroup` object
```r
class(trainingGroup)
```

### Show group variable
```r
table(trainingGroup)
```
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