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**Description** Implements the methodology of ``Cannings, T. I. and Samworth, R. J. (2017) Random-projection ensemble classification, J. Roy. Statist. Soc., Ser. B. (with discussion), 79, 959--1035". The random projection ensemble classifier is a general method for classification of high-dimensional data, based on careful combination of the results of applying an arbitrary base classifier to random projections of the feature vectors into a lower-dimensional space. The random projections are divided into non-overlapping blocks, and within each block the projection yielding the smallest estimate of the test error is selected. The random projection ensemble classifier then aggregates the results of applying the base classifier on the selected projections, with a data-driven voting threshold to determine the final assignment.

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RPEnsemble-package      *Random Projection Ensemble Classification*

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## Description

Implements the methodology of Cannings and Samworth (2017). The random projection ensemble classifier is a very general method for classification of high-dimensional data, based on careful combination of the results of applying an arbitrary base classifier to random projections of the feature vectors into a lower-dimensional space. The random projections are divided into non-overlapping blocks, and within each block the projection yielding the smallest estimate of the test error is selected. The random projection ensemble classifier then aggregates the results of applying the base classifier on the selected projections, with a data-driven voting threshold to determine the final assignment.

## Details

[RPChoose](#) chooses the projection from a block of size  $B_2$  that minimises an estimate of the test error (see Cannings and Samworth, 2017, Section 3), and classifies the training and test sets using the base classifier on the projected data. [RPParallel](#) makes many calls to [RPChoose](#) in parallel. [RPalpha](#) chooses the best empirical value of alpha (see Cannings and Samworth, 2017, Section 5.1). [RPEnsembleClass](#) combines the results of many base classifications to classify the test set.

The method can be used with any base classifier, any test error estimate and any distribution of the random projections. This package provides code for the following options: Classifiers – linear discriminant analysis, quadratic discriminant analysis and the k-nearest neighbour classifier. Error estimates – resubstitution and leave-one-out, we also provide code for the sample-splitting method described in Cannings and Samworth (2017, Section 7) (this can be done by setting `estmethod = samplesplit`). Projection distribution – Haar, Gaussian or axis-aligned projections.

The package provides the option to add your own base classifier and estimation method, this can be done by editing the code in the function `Other.classifier`. Moreover, one could edit the [RPGenerate](#) function to generate projections from different distributions.

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## References

Cannings, T. I. and Samworth, R. J. (2017) Random-projection ensemble classification, *J. Roy. Statist. Soc., Ser. B.* (with discussion), 79, 959–1035

**Examples**

```

#generate data from Model 1
set.seed(101)
Train <- RPModel(2, 50, 100, 0.5)
Test <- RPModel(2, 100, 100, 0.5)

#Classify the training and test set for B1 = 10 independent projections, each
#one carefully chosen from a block of size B2 = 10, using the "knn" base
#classifier and the leave-one-out test error estimate
Out <- RPParallel(XTrain = Train$x, YTrain = Train$y, XTest = Test$x, d = 2,
B1 = 10, B2 = 10, base = "knn", projmethod = "Haar", estmethod = "loo",
splitsample = FALSE, k = seq(1, 25, by = 3), clustertype = "Default")

#estimate the class 1 prior probability
phat <- sum(Train$y == 1)/50

#choose the best empirical value of the voting threshold alpha
alphahat <- RPalph(RP.out = Out, Y = Train$y, p1 = phat)

#combine the base classifications
Class <- RPEsembleClass(RP.out = Out, n = 50,
n.test = 100, p1 = phat, alpha = alphahat)

#calculate the error
mean(Class != Test$y)

#Code for sample splitting version of the above
#n.val <- 25
#s <- sample(1:50,25)
#OutSS <- RPParallel(XTrain = Train$x[-s,], YTrain = Train$y[-s],
#XVal = Train$x[s,], YVal = Train$y[s], XTest = Test$x, d = 2,
#B1 = 50, B2 = 10, base = "knn", projmethod = "Haar", estmethod = "samplesplit",
#k = seq(1,13, by = 2), clustertype = "Fork", cores = 1)
#alphahatSS <- RPalph(RP.out = OutSS, Y = Train$y[s], p1 = phat)
#ClassSS <- RPEsembleClass(RP.out = OutSS, n.val = 25, n.test = 100,
#p1 = phat, samplesplit = TRUE, alpha = alphahatSS)
#mean(ClassSS != Test$y)

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Other.classifier      *The users favourite classifier*

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**Description**

User defined code to convert existing R code for classification to the correct format

**Usage**

```
Other.classifier(x, grouping, xTest, CV, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	An $n$ by $p$ matrix containing the training dataset
<code>grouping</code>	A vector of length $n$ containing the training data classes
<code>xTest</code>	An $n$ . test by $p$ test dataset
<code>CV</code>	If TRUE perform cross-validation (or otherwise) to classify training set. If FALSE, classify test set.
<code>...</code>	Optional arguments e.g. tuning parameters

**Details**

User editable code for your choice of base classifier.

**Value**

`class` a vector of classes of the training or test set

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**References**

Cannings, T. I. and Samworth, R. J. (2017) Random-projection ensemble classification, *J. Roy. Statist. Soc., Ser. B.* (with discussion), 79, 959–1035

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R	<i>A rotation matrix</i>
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**Description**

The 100 by 100 rotation matrix used in Model 2 in Cannings and Samworth (2017).

**Usage**

`data(R)`

**Format**

A 100 by 100 rotation matrix

**References**

Cannings, T. I. and Samworth, R. J. (2017) Random-projection ensemble classification, *J. Roy. Statist. Soc., Ser. B.* (with discussion), 79, 959–1035

**Examples**

```
data(R)
head(R*%t(R))
```

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RPalpha	<i>Choose alpha</i>
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**Description**

Chooses the best empirical value of the cutoff  $\alpha$ , based on the leave-one-out, resubstitution or sample-split estimates of the class labels.

**Usage**

```
RPalpha(RP.out, Y, p1)
```

**Arguments**

RP.out	The result of a call to <a href="#">RPParallel</a>
Y	Vector of length $n$ or $n.val$ containing the training or validation dataset classes
p1	(Empirical) prior probability

**Details**

See precise details in Cannings and Samworth (2015, Section 5.1).

**Value**

alpha	The value of $\alpha$ that minimises the empirical error
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**References**

Cannings, T. I. and Samworth, R. J. (2017) Random-projection ensemble classification, *J. Roy. Statist. Soc., Ser. B.* (with discussion), 79, 959–1035

**See Also**

[RPParallel](#)

**Examples**

```
Train <- RModel(1, 50, 100, 0.5)
Test <- RModel(1, 100, 100, 0.5)
Out <- RPParallel(XTrain = Train$x, YTrain = Train$y, XTest = Test$x, d = 2, B1 = 10,
B2 = 10, base = "LDA", projmethod = "Haar", estmethod = "training", cores = 1)
alpha <- RPalpha(RP.out = Out, Y = Train$y, p1 = sum(Train$y == 1)/length(Train$y))
alpha
```

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 RPChoose

*Chooses projection*


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### Description

Chooses a the best projection from a set of size B2 based on a test error estimate, then classifies the training and test sets using the chosen projection.

### Usage

```
RPChoose(XTrain, YTrain, XTest, d, B2 = 10, base = "LDA", k = c(3,5),
projmethod = "Haar", estmethod = "training", ...)
```

### Arguments

XTrain	An n by p matrix containing the training data feature vectors
YTrain	A vector of length n of the classes (either 1 or 2) of the training data
XTest	An n . test by p matrix of the test data
d	The lower dimension of the image space of the projections
B2	The block size
base	The base classifier one of "knn", "LDA", "QDA" or "other"
k	The options for k if base is "knn"
projmethod	Either "Haar", "Gaussian" or "axis"
estmethod	Method for estimating the test errors to choose the projection: either training error "training" or leave-one-out "loo"
...	Optional further arguments if base = "other"

### Details

Randomly projects the the data B2 times. Chooses the projection yielding the smallest estimate of the test error. Classifies the training set (via the same method as estmethod) and test set using the chosen projection.

### Value

Returns a vector of length n + n . test: the first n entries are the estimated classes of the training set, the last n . test are the estimated classes of the test set.

### Note

Resubstitution method unsuitable for the k-nearest neighbour classifier.

### Author(s)

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## References

Cannings, T. I. and Samworth, R. J. (2017) Random-projection ensemble classification, *J. Roy. Statist. Soc., Ser. B.* (with discussion), 79, 959–1035

## See Also

[RPParallel](#), [RPChooseSS](#), [lda](#), [qda](#), [knn](#)

## Examples

```
set.seed(100)
Train <- RPModel(1, 50, 100, 0.5)
Test <- RPModel(1, 100, 100, 0.5)
Choose.out5 <- RPChoose(XTrain = Train$x, YTrain = Train$y, XTest = Test$x,
d = 2, B2 = 5, base = "QDA", projmethod = "Haar", estmethod = "loo")
Choose.out10 <- RPChoose(XTrain = Train$x, YTrain = Train$y, XTest = Test$x,
d = 2, B2 = 10, base = "QDA", projmethod = "Haar", estmethod = "loo")
sum(Choose.out5[1:50] != Train$y)
sum(Choose.out10[1:50] != Train$y)
sum(Choose.out5[51:150] != Test$y)
sum(Choose.out10[51:150] != Test$y)
```

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RPChooseSS

*A sample splitting version of [RPChoose](#)*

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## Description

Chooses the best projection based on an estimate of the test error of the classifier with training data (XTrain, YTrain), the estimation method counts the number of errors made on the validation set (XVal, YVal).

## Usage

```
RPChooseSS(XTrain, YTrain, XVal, YVal, XTest, d, B2 = 100, base = "LDA",
k = c(3, 5), projmethod = "Haar", ...)
```

## Arguments

XTrain	An n by p matrix containing the training data feature vectors
YTrain	A vector of length n of the classes (either 1 or 2) of the training data
XVal	An n.val by p matrix containing the validation data feature vectors
YVal	A vector of length n.val of the classes (either 1 or 2) of the validation data
XTest	An n.test by p matrix of the test data feature vectors
d	The lower dimension of the image space of the projections
B2	The block size
base	The base classifier one of "knn", "LDA", "QDA" or "other"

k	The options for k if base = "knn"
projmethod	Either "Haar", "Gaussian" or "axis"
...	Optional further arguments if base = "other"

### Details

Maps the the data using B2 random projections. For each projection the validation set is classified using the the training set and the projection yielding the smallest number of errors over the validation set is retained. The validation set and test set are then classified using the chosen projection.

### Value

Returns a vector of length `n.val + n.test`: the first `n.val` entries are the estimated classes of the validation set, the last `n.test` are the estimated classes of the test set.

### Author(s)

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### References

Cannings, T. I. and Samworth, R. J. (2017) Random-projection ensemble classification, *J. Roy. Statist. Soc., Ser. B.* (with discussion), 79, 959–1035

### See Also

[RPParallel](#), [RPChoose](#), [lda](#), [qda](#), [knn](#)

### Examples

```
set.seed(100)
Train <- RPModel(1, 50, 100, 0.5)
Validate <- RPModel(1, 50, 100, 0.5)
Test <- RPModel(1, 100, 100, 0.5)
Choose.out5 <- RPChooseSS(XTrain = Train$x, YTrain = Train$y, XVal = Validate$x,
YVal = Validate$y, XTest = Test$x, d = 2, B2 = 5, base = "QDA", projmethod = "Haar")
Choose.out10 <- RPChooseSS(XTrain = Train$x, YTrain = Train$y, XVal = Validate$x,
YVal = Validate$y, XTest = Test$x, d = 2, B2 = 10, base = "QDA", projmethod = "Haar")
sum(Choose.out5[1:50] != Validate$y)
sum(Choose.out10[1:50] != Validate$y)
sum(Choose.out5[51:150] != Test$y)
sum(Choose.out10[51:150] != Test$y)
```

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RPEnsembleClass	<i>Classifies the test set using the random projection ensemble classifier</i>
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**Description**

Performs a biased majority vote over B1 base classifications to assign the test set.

**Usage**

```
RPEnsembleClass(RP.out, n , n.val, n.test, p1, samplesplit, alpha, ...)
```

**Arguments**

RP.out	The result of a call to <a href="#">RPParallel</a>
n	Training set sample size
n.test	Test set sample size
n.val	Validation set sample size
p1	Prior probability estimate
samplesplit	TRUE if using sample-splitting method
alpha	The voting threshold
...	Optional further arguments if base = "other"

**Details**

An observation in the test set is assigned to class 1 if  $B1 \cdot \alpha$  or more of the base classifications are class 1 (otherwise class 2).

**Value**

A vector of length n.test containing the class predictions of the test set (either 1 or 2).

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**References**

Cannings, T. I. and Samworth, R. J. (2017) Random-projection ensemble classification, J. Roy. Statist. Soc., Ser. B. (with discussion), 79, 959–1035

**See Also**

[RPParallel](#), [RPalph](#), [RPChoose](#)

**Examples**

```

Train <- RPModel(1, 50, 100, 0.5)
Test <- RPModel(1, 100, 100, 0.5)
Out <- RPParallel(XTrain = Train$x, YTrain = Train$y, XTest = Test$x,
d = 2, B1 = 50, B2 = 10, base = "LDA", projmethod = "Haar",
estmethod = "training", clustertype = "Default")
Class <- RPEnsembleClass(RP.out = Out, n = length(Train$y),
n.test = nrow(Test$x), p1 = sum(Train$y == 1)/length(Train$y),
splitsample = FALSE, alpha = RPalph(Out, Y = Train$y,
p1 = sum(Train$y == 1)/length(Train$y)))
mean(Class != Test$y)

```

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RPGenerate

*Generates random matrices*


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**Description**

Generates B2 random p by d matrices according to Haar measure, Gaussian or axis-aligned projections

**Usage**

```
RPGenerate(p = 100, d = 10, method = "Haar", B2 = 10)
```

**Arguments**

p	The original data dimension
d	The lower dimension
method	Projection distribution, either "Haar" for Haar distributed projections, "Gaussian" for Gaussian distributed projections with i.i.d. $N(0, 1/p)$ entries, "axis" for uniformly distributed axis aligned projections, or "other" for user defined method
B2	the number of projections

**Value**

returns B2 p by d random matrices as a single p by d\*B2 matrix

**Author(s)**

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**References**

Cannings, T. I. and Samworth, R. J. (2017) Random-projection ensemble classification, *J. Roy. Statist. Soc., Ser. B.* (with discussion), 79, 959–1035

**Examples**

```

R1 <- RPGenerate(p = 20, d = 2, "Haar", B2 = 3)
t(R1)%*%R1
R2 <- RPGenerate(p = 20, d = 2, "Gaussian", B2 = 3)
t(R2)%*%R2
R3 <- RPGenerate(p = 20, d = 2, "axis", B2 = 3)
colSums(R3)
rowSums(R3)

```

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RPMoDel

*Generate pairs (x, y) from joint distribution*


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**Description**

Generates data from the models described in Cannings and Samworth (2017)

**Usage**

```
RPMoDel(Model.No, n, p, Pi = 1/2)
```

**Arguments**

Model.No	Model Number
n	Sample size
p	Data dimension
Pi	Class one prior probability

**Value**

x	An n by p data matrix – n observations of the p-dimensional features
y	A vector of length n containing the classes (either 1 or 2)

**Note**

Models 1 and 2 require  $p = 100$  or  $1000$ .

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**References**

Cannings, T. I. and Samworth, R. J. (2017) Random-projection ensemble classification, *J. Roy. Statist. Soc., Ser. B.* (with discussion), 79, 959–1035

**Examples**

```
Data <- RPModel(Model.No = 1, 100, 100, Pi = 1/2)
table(Data$y)
colMeans(Data$x[Data$y==1,])
colMeans(Data$x[Data$y==2,])
```

RPPParallel

*Chooses a projection from each block in parallel***Description**

Makes B1 calls to [RPChoose](#) or [RPChooseSS](#) in parallel and returns the results as a matrix.

**Usage**

```
RPPParallel(XTrain, YTrain, XVal, YVal, XTest, d, B1 = 500, B2 = 50,
base = "LDA",projmethod = "Gaussian", estmethod = "training", k = c(3,5,9),
clustertype = "Default", cores = 1, machines = NULL, seed = 1, ... )
```

**Arguments**

XTrain	An n by p matrix containing the training data feature vectors
YTrain	A vector of length n containing the classes (either 1 or 2) of the training data
XVal	An n.val by p matrix containing the validation data feature vectors
YVal	A vector of length n.val of the classes (either 1 or 2) of the validation data
XTest	An n.test by p matrix containing the test data feature vectors
d	The lower dimension of the image space of the projections
B1	The number of blocks
B2	The size of each block
base	The base classifier one of "knn", "LDA", "QDA" or "other"
k	The options for k if base is "knn"
projmethod	"Haar", "Gaussian" or "axis"
estmethod	Method for estimating the test errors to choose the projection: either training error "training", leave-one-out "loo", or sample split "samplesplit"
clustertype	The type of cluster: "Default" uses just one core, "Fork" uses a single machine, "Socket" uses many machines. Note "Fork" and "Socket" are not supported on windows.
cores	Required only if clustertype==Fork: the number of computer cores to use (note: cores > 1 not supported on Windows)
machines	Required only if clustertype==Socket: the names of the machines to use e.g. c("Computer1", "Computer2") (not supported on Windows)
seed	If not NULL, sets random seed for reproducible results
...	Optional further arguments if base = "other"

**Details**

Makes B1 calls to [RPChoose](#) or [RPChooseSS](#) in parallel.

**Value**

If `estmethod == "training" or "loo"`, then returns an `n+n.test` by B1 matrix, each row containing the result of a call to [RPChoose](#). If `estmethod == "samplesplit"`, then returns an `n.val+n.test` by B1 matrix, each row containing the result of a call to [RPChooseSS](#).

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**References**

Cannings, T. I. and Samworth, R. J. (2017) Random-projection ensemble classification, *J. Roy. Statist. Soc., Ser. B.* (with discussion), 79, 959–1035

**See Also**

[RPChoose](#), [RPChooseSS](#)

**Examples**

```
Train <- RPModel(1, 50, 100, 0.5)
Test <- RPModel(1, 100, 100, 0.5)
Out <- RPParallel(XTrain = Train$x, YTrain = Train$y, XTest = Test$x, d = 2, B1 = 10,
B2 = 10, base = "LDA", projmethod = "Haar", estmethod = "training")
colMeans(Out)
```

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