Package `arrApply`

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Usage

arrApply(arr, idim = 1L, fun = "sum", ...)

Arguments

arr numeric array of arbitrary dimension
idim integer, dimension number along which a function must be applied
fun character string, function name to be applied
... additional named parameters. Optional parameters can be helpful for the following functions: sd(), var() [norm_type: 0 normalisation using N-1 entries (default); 1 normalisation using N entries]; norm([p: integer >= 1 (default=2) or one of "-inf", "inf", "fro".]); normalise([p: integer >= 1, default=2] diff([k: integer >= 1 (default=1) number of recursive application of diff()]. The size of idim-th dimension will be reduced by k.) trapz([x: numerical vector of the same length as idim-th size of arr] Mandatory parameter: multv(), divv(), addv(), subv() [v: numerical vector of the same length as idim-th size of arr]

Details

The following functions can be used as argument 'fun' (brackets [] indicate additional parameters that can be passed in '...'): - reducing functions: sum(), prod(), all(), any(), min(), max(), mean(), median(), sd() [norm_type], var() [norm_type], norm([p], trapz([x]) trapezoidal integration with respect to spacing in x, if x is provided, otherwise unit spacing is used), range(); - mapping functions: normalise([p], cumsum(), cumprod(), multv() [v] (multiply a given dimension by a vector v, term by term), divv() [v] (divide by a vector v), addv() [v] (add a vector v), subv() [v] (subtract a vector v); - vector reducing function: diff([k]).

RcppArmadillo is used to do the job in very fast way but it comes at price of not allowing NA in the input numeric array. Vectors are allowed at input. They are considered as arrays of dimension 1. So in this case, idim can only be 1. NB. Here, range() is different from R version of the homonym function. In Armadillo, when applied to a vector, it returns a scalar max-min, while in R, it return a 2-component vector (min, max).
Value
output array of dimension cut by 1 (the idim-th dimension will disappear for reducing functions) or of the same dimension as the input arr for mapping and vector reducing functions. For vector reducing functions, the idim-th dimension will be different from idim-th dimension of arr. The type of result (numeric or logical) depends on the function applied, logical for all() and any(), numerical – for all other functions.

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Examples
```r
arr=matrix(1:12, 3, 4)
v1=arrApply(arr, 2, "mean")
v2=rowMeans(arr)
stopifnot(all(v1==v2))

arr=array(1:24, dim=2:4) # dim(arr)=c(2, 3, 4)
mat=arrApply(arr, 2, "prod") # dim(mat)=c(2, 4), the second dimension is cut out
stopifnot(all(mat==apply(arr, c(1, 3), prod)))
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