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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.

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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(sof, 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

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

mean_var_plot_model_free

mean_var_plot_model_free

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

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

Value

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

plot.scanonevar	<i>plot.scanonevar</i>
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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', 'asyp.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	<i>percent variance explained</i>
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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

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

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

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

Value

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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", "asyp.p", "empir.p"),  
        thresh, ...)
```

Arguments

object	the scanonevar object to be summarized
units	Which units should be used to summarise? 'lod', 'asyp.p', or 'empir.p'
thresh	the threshold over which (for LODs) or under which (for emprirical 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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