# Package 'sleepwalk'

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## Usage

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#### **Format**

An object of class environment of length 0.

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Interactively explore one or several 2D embeddings

## Description

A function to interactively explore a 2D embedding of some higher-dimensional point cloud, as produced by a dimension reduction method such as MDS, t-SNE, or the like.

## Usage

```
sleepwalk(
 embeddings,
  featureMatrices = NULL,
 maxdists = NULL,
 pointSize = 1.5,
  titles = NULL,
  distances = NULL,
  same = c("objects", "features"),
  compare = c("embeddings", "distances"),
  saveToFile = NULL,
  ncol = NULL,
 nrow = NULL,
 on_selection = NULL,
 mode = c("canvas", "svg"),
 metric = "euclid",
)
```

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#### **Arguments**

embeddings

either an nx2 embedding matrix (where n is a number of points) or a list of  $n_ix2$  matrices - one for each embedding. If same = "objects" all embedding matrices must have the same number of rows.

featureMatrices

either an nxm matrix of point coordinates in the feature-dimension space or a list of such matrices - one for each embedding. The displayed distances will be calculated as Euclidean distances of the rows of these matrices. Alternatively, if same = "objects" it is possible to provide the distances directly via the distances argument. If same = "features" then all the points must be from the same feature space and therefore have the same number of columns. It is possible to use one feature matrix for all the embeddings.

maxdists

a vector of the maximum distances (in feature space) for each provided feature or distance matrix that should still be covered by the colour scale; higher distances are shown in light gray. This values can be changed later interactively. If not provided, maximum distances will be estimated automatically as median value of the distances.

pointSize

size of the points on the plots.

titles

a vector of titles for each embedding. Must be the same length as the list of embeddings.

distances

distances (in feature space) between points that should be displayed as colours. This is an alternative to featureMatrices if same = "objects".

same

defines what kind of distances to show; must be either "objects" or "features". Use same = "objects" when all the embeddings show the same set of points. In this case, each embedding is colored to show the distance of the selected point to all other points. The same or different features can be supplied as featureMatrices, to use the same or different distances in the different embeddings. same = "features" is used to compare different sets of points (e.g. samples from different patients, or different batches) in the same feature space. In this case the distance is calculated from the selected point to all other points (including those in other embeddings).

compare

defines what kind of comparison to perform; must be either "embeddings" or "distances". If compare == "embeddings", then in each of the displayed embeddings all the points will be coloured the same way, even if different feature or distance matrices are provided. This allows one to immediately identify the corresponding points and neighbourhoods in each of the embeddings. If commpare == "distances", point colours for each embedding are calculated independently. This allows, for instance, to compare different metrics or show an additional layer of information, when exploring an embedding. This parameter has no effect if same == "features".

saveToFile

path to the .html file where to save the plots. The resulting page will be fully interactive and contain all the data. If this is NULL, than the plots will be shown as the web page in your default browser. Note, that if you try to save that page, using your browser's functionality, it'll become static.

ncol

number of columns in the table, where all the embeddings are placed.

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nrow number of rows in the table, where all the embeddings are placed.

on\_selection a callback function that is called every time the user selects a group of points in

the web browser. From the sleepwalk app it gets two arguments: The first one is a vector of indices of all the selected points and the second one is an index of

an embedding from where the points were selected.

mode defines whether to use Canvas or SVG to display points. Using Canvas is faster

and allows to plot more points simultaneously, yet we currently consider SVG mode to be more stable and vigorously tested. In future versions SVG mode will

be deprecated. Must be one of canvas or svg.

metric specifies what metric to use to calculate distances from feature matrices. Cur-

rently only Euclidean ("euclid", default) and cosine ("cosine") are supported. This can be a single string (then the selected metric is used for all the charts) or

a vector of strings - one per each chart.

. . . Further arguments passed to openPage.

#### **Details**

The function opens a browser window and displays the embeddings as point clouds. When the user moves the mouse over a point, the point gets selected and all data points change colour such that their colour indicates the feature-space distance to the point under the mouse cursor. This allows to quickly and intuitively check how tight clusters are, how faithful the embedding is, and how similar the clusters are to each other.

#### Value

None.

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#### References

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#### **Examples**

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Make a snapshot of the currently running Sleepwalk app

## **Description**

This function produces a static plot that shows a given state of the currently active Sleepwalk app. Double click on a point in the web browser will generate a command that can reproduce this exact state of the app.

#### Usage

```
slw_snapshot(point, emb = 1, returnList = FALSE)
```

#### **Arguments**

point an index of the focus point (i.e. the one, over which the mouse is hovering at the

moment). To learn the index of a point double click on it in the web browser.

emb an index of the embedding of the focus point. To learn the index of an embed-

ding double click on any of its points in the web browser.

returnList if TRUE returns a list of ggplot objects (one per embedding), that can be easily

modified later. Otherwise returns a single ggplot objects with all the embed-

dings.

## Value

a ggplot object or a list of ggplot objects.

## **Examples**

```
data("iris")
sleepwalk(iris[, c(1,3)], iris[1:4], pointSize = 4)
slw_snapshot(10)
```

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