

dist.BC(clusterSim)

Bray-Curtis distance measure d_{ik} for ratio data

$$d_{ik} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^m |x_{ij} - x_{kj}|}{\sum_{j=1}^m (x_{ij} + x_{kj})},$$

where: $i, k = 1, \dots, n$ – the number of object,

$j = 1, \dots, m$ – the number of variable,

x_{ij} (x_{kj}) – i -th (k -th) observation on j -th variable.

References

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