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# Description

This function carries out IV feature extraction, by calculating steps then extract features for each step.

# Usage

```
IVExtractResult(
    dat,
    k = 7,
    crt = 0.2,
    num = 75,
    crtvalb = 0.3,
    diff_slp = 0.01,
    plot.option = F
)
```

# Arguments

dat	A dataframe of IV curve. The variable names should be "V" for voltage, and "I" for current. And rank with increasing voltage.
k	The number of equally-spaced values to supply as starting values for the break- points. The default is 7.
crt	A value to set for how large of regression coefficient change rate we use as not changing much. This is due to the value of IV curve, suggestion is to test this function with several IV curves for your data and find the proper value. The default is 0.2.
num	A value of number of data points. The default is 75.
crtvalb	A value to set the change of I(current) we want to use as changing very much (to detect the end of IV curve). Suggestion is to test this function with several IV curves for your data and find the proper value. The default is 0.3
diff_slp	The difference between the slope on the left and on the right of the change point. The default is 0.01.
plot.option	True/False, it plots the IV curve. The default is false.

# Value

A list of the following items:

- "step": a value that shows the number of steps in the IV curve
- "Isc": short-circuit current, which is the current through the solar cell when the voltage across the solar cell is zero.

- "Rsh": shunt resistance, which is the inverse slope of the IV curve near Isc.
- "Voc": open-circuit voltage, which is the maximum voltage from a solar cell and occurs at zero current.
- "Rs": series resistance, which is the inverse slope of the IV curve near Voc.
- "Pmp": maximum power for a solar cell/PV module.
- "Imp": current at maximum power.
- "Vmp": voltage at maximum power.
- "FF": fill factor, which is the ratio of maximum power from a solar cell to the product of Voc and Isc.
- "Cutoff": a string of values (voltage) that shows the change point indicating steps. NA means that the IV curve has only one step and there is no change points.

#### Examples

```
#this IV curve is of step=1
#load the data provided in the package
data(IV_step1)
IV1 <- data.frame(IV_step1)</pre>
result <- IVExtractResult(IV1, plot.option = FALSE)</pre>
#use the IV curve with step=2
data(IV_step2)
IV2 <- data.frame(IV_step2)</pre>
#with plot.option=TRUE, IV curve and steps are ploted
result2 <- IVExtractResult(IV2, plot.option = FALSE)</pre>
#use the IV curve with step=3
data(IV_step3)
IV3 <- data.frame(IV_step3)</pre>
IVExtractResult(IV3, plot.option = FALSE)
data("IV_timeseries")
df <- IV_timeseries
result <- data.frame()</pre>
for (i in 1:length(df$tmst)){
  IV = df$ivdf[i]
  IV <- as.character(IV)</pre>
  IV = data.frame(IV = strsplit(IV, '#'))
  names(IV) <- 'IV'</pre>
  IV$IV <- as.character(IV$IV)</pre>
  IV <- tidyr::separate(IV, "IV", into = c("V", "I"), sep = '\\*')</pre>
  IV \leftarrow IV[-1,]
  IV$V = as.numeric(as.character(IV$V))
  IV$I = as.numeric(as.character(IV$I))
  IV = IV[order(IV$V, decreasing = FALSE),]
  IV_frame <- data.frame(IV)</pre>
  trial = try(IVfeature(IV_frame$I, IV_frame$V), silent = TRUE)
  if ('try-error' %in% class(trial)){
    temp <- data.frame(NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA)</pre>
    names(temp) <- c('Isc', 'Rsh', 'Voc', 'Rs', 'Pmp', 'Imp', 'Vmp', 'FF')</pre>
  }else{
    temp <- data.frame(trial)</pre>
```

# IVfeature

```
}
result <- rbind(result, temp)
}
result <- cbind(df, result)</pre>
```

IVfeature

## Calculate IV feature from a IV curve

#### Description

Calculate IV feature from the given IV curve with one step

# Usage

IVfeature(I, V, crt = 0.2, num = 75, crtvalb = 0.3)

# Arguments

I	A vector of current values from IV data frame
V	A vector of voltage values from IV data frame
crt	A value to set for how large of regression coefficient change rate we use as not changing much. This is due to the value of IV curve, suggestion is to test this function with several IV curves for your data and find the proper value. The default is 0.2.
num	A value of number of consecutive data points in the moving window used to calculate the slope of the windows and flat areas for extracting Isc and Rsh. The default is 75.
crtvalb	A value to set the change of I(current) we want to use as changing very much (to detect the end of IV curve). Suggestion is to test this function with several IV curves for your data and find the proper value. The default is 0.3

#### Details

Note that IV curve should have voltage ordered from the smalles value to the largest value.

This function can gives result for IV curves with more than one steps, but the results are not accurate. To extract IV features for IV curves with more than one steps, or unsure about the steps of IV curves, please use IVExtractResult(). For IV curve has only one step, this function can be used.

# Value

a list of the following items:

- "Isc": short-circuit current, which is the current through the solar cell when the voltage across the solar cell is zero.
- "Rsh": shunt resistance, which is the inverse slope of the IV curve near Isc.

- "Voc": open-circuit voltage, which is the maximum voltage from a solar cell and occurs at zero current.
- "Rs": series resistance, which is the inverse slope of the IV curve near Voc.
- "Pmp": maximum power for a solar cell/PV module.
- "Imp": current at maximum power.
- "Vmp": voltage at maximum power.
- "FF": fill factor, which is the ratio of maximum power from a solar cell to the product of Voc and Isc.

### Examples

```
#this IV curve is of step=1
#if IV curve is of step>1, please use IVsteps to first find the number of
#steps and change points, then apply this function for each steps
#load the data provided in the package
data(IV_step1)
IV1 <- data.frame(IV_step1)</pre>
result <- IVfeature(IV1$I,IV1$V,crt=0.2,num=75,crtvalb=0.3)</pre>
data("IV_timeseries")
df <- IV_timeseries
result <- data.frame()</pre>
for (i in 1:length(df$tmst)){
  IV = df$ivdf[i]
  IV <- as.character(IV)</pre>
  IV = data.frame(IV = strsplit(IV, '#'))
  names(IV) <- 'IV'</pre>
  IV$IV <- as.character(IV$IV)</pre>
  IV <- tidyr::separate(IV,"IV",into = c("V","I"),sep = '\\*')</pre>
  IV <- IV[-1,]
  IV$V = as.numeric(as.character(IV$V))
  IV$I=as.numeric(as.character(IV$I))
  IV=IV[order(IV$V,decreasing=FALSE),]
  IV_frame <- data.frame(IV)</pre>
  trial=try(IVfeature(IV_frame$I,IV_frame$V),silent=TRUE)
  if ('try-error' %in% class(trial)){
    temp <- data.frame(NA,NA,NA,NA,NA,NA,NA,NA)</pre>
    names(temp) <- c('Isc','Rsh','Voc','Rs','Pmp','Imp','Vmp','FF')</pre>
  }else{
    temp <- data.frame(trial)</pre>
  }
  result <- rbind(result,temp)</pre>
 }
 result <- cbind(df,result)</pre>
```

IVsteps

# Description

Calculate steps of IV curve

# Usage

IVsteps(I, V, k = 7, diff\_slp = 0.01, plot.option = FALSE)

# Arguments

I	A vector of current values from IV data frame
V	A vector of voltage values from IV data frame
k	The number of equally-spaced values to supply as starting values for the break- points. The default is 7.
diff_slp	The difference between the slope on the left and on the right of the change point. The default is 0.01.
plot.option	True/False, it plots the IV curve. The default is false.

# Value

a list of the following items:

- "step": a value that shows how many steps of IV curve
- "xsep": a vector of values (voltage) that shows the change point indicating steps. NA means that the IV curve has only one step and there is no change points.

# Examples

```
#this IV curve is of step=1
#load the data provided in the package
data(IV_step1)
IV1 <- data.frame(IV_step1)
result <- IVsteps(IV1$I,IV1$V)
#use the IV curve with step=2
data(IV_step2)
IV2 <- data.frame(IV_step2)
#with plot.option=TRUE, IV curve and steps are ploted
result2 <- IVsteps(IV2$I,IV2$V,plot.option=TRUE)</pre>
```

IVuncertain

# Description

Calculate the uncertainty of this data driven IV feature extraction

# Usage

```
IVuncertain(
    dat,
    k = 7,
    crt = 0.2,
    num = 75,
    crtvalb = 0.3,
    iter = 100,
    diff_slp = 0.01,
    plot.option = FALSE
)
```

# Arguments

dat	A dataframe of IV curve. The variable names should be "V" for voltage, and "I" for current. And rank with increasing voltage.
k	The number of equally-spaced values to supply as starting values for the break- points. The default is 7.
crt	a value to set for how large of regression coefficient change rate we use as not changing much. Should be the same as using function "IVExtractResult". Default is 0.6.
num	a value of number of data points. The default is 25.
crtvalb	a value to set the change of I(current) we want to use as changing very much (to detect the end of IV curve). Suggestion is to test this function with several IV curves for your data and find the proper value. The default is 0.3
iter	number of iterations want to use to calculate uncertainty. Default is 100, takes about 2 minutes to finish calculation.
diff_slp	The difference between the slope on the left and on the right of the change point. The default is 0.01.
plot.option	True/False, it plots the IV curve. The default is false.

# Value

a list of the following items:

• "unct\_Isc": uncertainty for short-circuit current, the number of variables is decided by the number of steps.

- "unct\_Rsh": uncertainty for shunt resistance, the number of variables is decided by the number of steps.
- "unct\_Voc": uncertainty for open-circuit voltage, the number of variables is decided by the number of steps.
- "unct\_Rs": uncertainty for series resistance, the number of variables is decided by the number of steps.
- "unct\_Pmp": uncertainty for maximum power for a solar cell/PV module, the number of variables is decided by the number of steps.
- "unct\_Imp": uncertainty for current at maximum power, the number of variables is decided by the number of steps.
- "unct\_Vmp": uncertainty for voltage at maximum power, the number of variables is decided by the number of steps.
- "unct\_FF": uncertainty for fill factor, the number of variables is decided by the number of steps.
- "unct\_Cutoff": uncertainty for change point indicating steps. NA means that the IV curve has only one step and there is no change points.

#### Examples

```
#this IV curve is of step=1
data(IV_step1)
IV1 <- data.frame(IV_step1)
IVuncertain(IV1)</pre>
```

IV\_4K

Damp Heat Plus Dynamic Mechanical Load Indoor Accelerated Test I-V Curve.

#### Description

The I-V curve data is provided by UL for MLEET (Module Level Exposure and Evaluation Test) project funded by DOE (Department of Energy). It was taken from some commercial brand full size PV (photovoltaic) module under dampheat + DML (Dynamic Mechanical Load) indoor accelerated test. Each I-V curve has about 3800 points. This data set is a study of IV curve with 1 step. The first column is voltage(V) and the second column is current(I).

#### Usage

data(IV\_4K)

### Format

A data frame with 3637 rows and 2 variables:

- V increasing vector
- I decreasing vector

#### Source

Solar Durability and Lifetime Extension (SDLE) Research Center, Case Western Reserve University

IV\_5M\_1

I-V Curves from External Solar Testing Laboratory.

#### Description

These 2 IV curves are from an external solar module testing facility. 2 full sized modules are featured, a standard poly-Si AL-BSF module and a similar PERC mono-Si module. The PERC module has a clearly higher power output compared to the Al-BSF module given the higher voltage and current output with a similar fill factor. This data set is a study of IV curve with 1 step. The first column is voltage(V) and the second column is current(I).

#### Usage

data(IV\_5M\_1)

#### Format

A data frame with 478 rows and 2 variables:

V increasing vector

I decreasing vector

#### Source

Solar Durability and Lifetime Extension (SDLE) Research Center, Case Western Reserve University

 $IV_5M_2$ 

I-V Curves from External Solar Testing Laboratory.

# Description

This data set is a study of IV curve with 1 step. The first column is voltage(V) and the second column is current(I).

#### Usage

data(IV\_5M\_2)

## Format

A data frame with 476 rows and 2 variables:

V increasing vector

I decreasing vector

# IV\_daystar

#### Source

Solar Durability and Lifetime Extension (SDLE) Research Center, Case Western Reserve University

IV\_daystar

Outdoor Time Series I-V Curve Data from SDLE SunFarm.

# Description

This dataset comes from SDLE SunFarm, which provides extensive outdoor exposure capabilities, including mini-modules and full size modules mounted on both dual axis trackers fixed racks. Modules are individually controlled and operated by Daystar multi-tracer system at their peak power during daylight hours. Data acquired include time-series I-V curve data taken every 10 minutes, and time series power, voltage, current and weather data collected every minute. This data set is a study of IV curve with 1 step. The first column is voltage(V) and the second column is current(I).

#### Usage

data(IV\_daystar)

#### Format

A data frame with 48 rows and 2 variables:

V increasing vector

I decreasing vector

# Author(s)

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# Source

Solar Durability and Lifetime Extension (SDLE) Research Center, Case Western Reserve University

IV\_step1

A data frame of IV curve with 1 step.

# Description

This data set is a study of IV curve with 1 step. The first column is voltage(V) and the second column is current(I).

#### Usage

data(IV\_step1)

# Format

A data frame with 41 rows and 2 variables:

V increasing vector

I decreasing vector

# Source

Solar Durability and Lifetime Extension (SDLE) Research Center, Case Western Reserve University

IV\_step2

A data frame of IV curve with 2 step.

# Description

This data set is a study of IV curve with 2 step. The first column is voltage(V) and the second column is current(I).

# Usage

data(IV\_step2)

# Format

A data frame with 41 rows and 2 variables:

V increasing vector

I decreasing vector

#### Source

Solar Durability and Lifetime Extension (SDLE) Research Center, Case Western Reserve University

IV\_step3

A data frame of IV curve with 3 step.

# Description

This data set is a study of IV curve with 3 step. The first column is voltage(V) and the second column is current(I).

#### Usage

data(IV\_step3)

# IV\_timeseries

#### Format

A data frame with 41 rows and 2 variables:

V increasing vector

I decreasing vector

# Source

Solar Durability and Lifetime Extension (SDLE) Research Center, Case Western Reserve University

IV\_timeseries

*Outdoor Time Series I-V Curve Data from SDLE SunFarm.* 

#### Description

This dataset comes from a long term time-series I-V curves dataset of full sized modules traced by ESL-Solar 500. Data acquired include outdoor time-series I-V curve data taken every 5 minutes from 2013-12-29 09:00:00 to 2013-12-29 13:55:00. This data set is an example of how to use I-V data for a timeseries. The first column is timestamp(tmst) and the second column is I-V curve data(ivdf) that can be separated into voltage(V) and current(I).

#### Usage

data(IV\_timeseries)

# Format

A data frame with 60 rows and 2 variables:

tmst date and time of measurement

ivdf I-V curve data points in a string format separated by "#" and voltage and current value separated by "\*"

#### Author(s)

Jiqi Liu, Roger H. French, Megan M. Morbitzer

#### Source

Solar Durability and Lifetime Extension (SDLE) Research Center, Case Western Reserve University

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