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HPdata-package Distributed Data Package
Description

HPdata encapsulate all data related functions - data loading, data preparation etc for distributed R environment. It is written based on the infrastructure created in HP-Labs for distributed computing in R.

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Main Functions:

• db2darray: It is an example for loading a set of unlabeled samples stored in a table to a darray.

- db2darrays: It is an example for loading a set of labeled samples stored in a table to two darrays.
- db2matrix: It is an example for loading a set of unlabeled samples stored in a table to a matrix.
- db2dframe: It is an example for loading a set of samples stored in a table to a dframe.
- db2dgraph: It loads an adjaceny matrix to a darray from an edgelist strored in a database.
- file2dgraph: It loads an adjaceny matrix to a darray from an edgelist strored in a set of files.
- splitGraphFile: It is an example for splitting an edge-list file of a graph, and distributing the results among the active nodes of a cluster system.

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db2darray

A simple loader for darray

Description

db2darray function is an example for loading a set of unlabeled samples stored in a table/view to a darray. It is assumed that samples are stored in a single table/view. By default, it uses Vertica Connector for Distributed R to load data from a table in Vertica database into a darray. When Vertica Connector for Distributed R is not selected, vRODBC or RODBC will be used to connect to the database and extract data from the table. In the latter case, the table must contain a column called 'rowid'. It is also assumed that 'rowid' starts from 0, and there is no missed 'rowid'.

Usage

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Arguments

tableName it is the name of a table or a view in the database to be loaded into the darray.

dsn the Data Source Name(DSN) as provided in ODBC.INI file to connect to the

database.

features this is an optional argument to specfy list of columns names corresponding to

the features of a sample. If this argument is not specfied or the argument is

empty, the function will load all columns of the table or the view.

npartitions this optional argument specifies the desired number of partitions in the dis-

tributed array. If not specified, it will be equal to the number of active R instances in the distributed R cluster. It should be noted that the number of splits in the returned result might not be exactly the same as npartitions. Please read

the details for more information.

verticaConnector

when it is TRUE (default), Vertica Connector for Distributed R will be used to

load data.

loadPolicy it is the data loading policy used for Vertica Connector for Distributed R. It can

have two values, "local" or "uniform". By default, "local" policy is used. Views and external tables will always be loaded with "uniform" policy. See details

section for more information.

Details

The number of partitions of the resultant darray will be approximately equal to value provided in argument 'npartitions'. When Vertica Connector for Distributed R is used, argument 'loadPolicy' defines the data loading policy between Distributed R and Vertica. loadPolicy "local" is employed when number of Distributed R worker is same as number for Vertica nodes containing data for table specified in argument 'tableName'. With this policy, there is one-to-one data load from a Vertica node to a Distributed R worker. For the alternate scenario, loadPolicy "uniform" is used where each Vertica nodes involves all Distributed R nodes in the data loading process. By default, loadPolicy "local" is used but it is automatically changed to "uniform" when the conditions for loadPolicy "local" are not met.

db2darray supports numeric and logical data types.

Value

X the darray of samples

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Examples

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```
# If features arguments is not used or is empty
# All columns of the table sample will be loaded
# in darray loadedSamples
loadedSamples <- db2darray ("samples", dsn= "RDev")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

db2darrays

A Simple Data Loader which loads two aligned darrays from Database

Description

db2darrays function is a simple function to load a labeled dataset (a set of labeled samples) from a table/view in Vertica database to a pair of darrays which correspond to responses and predictors of a predictive model. It is assumed that samples (including responses and predictors) are stored in a single table. By default, Vertica Connector for Distributed R is used to load data from a Vertica database to a pair of darrays. When it is selected not to use Vertica Connector for Distributed R, vRODBC or RODBC will be used to connect to the database and extract data from the table. In the latter case, the table must contain a column called 'rowid'. It is also assumed that 'rowid' starts from 0, and there is no missed 'rowid'.

Usage

Arguments

tableName	it is the name of a table or a view in the database to be loaded into the darray.	
dsn	the Data Source Name(DSN) as provided in ODBC.INI file to connect to the database.	
resp	the list of the column names corresponding to responses.	
pred	this is an optional argument to specify list of the column names corresponding to predictors. If this argument is not specified or is empty, the function will load all columns of the table or view excluding the column specified in resp argument.	
npartitions	this optional argument specifies the desired number of partitions in the distributed array. If not specified, it will be equal to the number of active R instances in the distributed R cluster. It should be noted that the number of splits in the returned result might not be exactly the same as npartitions. Please read the details for more information.	
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verticaConnector

when it is TRUE (default), Vertica Connector for Distributed R will be used to load data.

loadPolicy

it is the data loading policy used for Vertica Connector for Distributed R. It can have two values, "local" or "uniform". By default, "local" policy is used. Views and external tables will always be loaded with "uniform" policy. See details section for more information.

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Details

The number of partitions of the resultant darrays will be approximately equal to value provided in argument 'npartitions'. When Vertica Connector for Distributed R is used, argument 'loadPolicy' defines the data loading policy between Distributed R and Vertica. loadPolicy "local" is employed when number of Distributed R worker is same as number for Vertica nodes containing data for table specified in argument 'tableName'. With this policy, there is one-to-one data load from a Vertica node to a Distributed R worker. For the alternate scenario, loadPolicy "uniform" is used where each Vertica nodes involves all Distributed R nodes in the data loading process. By default, loadPolicy "local" is used but it is automatically changed to "uniform" when the conditions for loadPolicy "local" are not met.

db2darrays supports numeric and logical data types.

Value

Y the darray of responses
X the darray of predictors

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Examples

```
## Not run:
    require(HPdata)
    distributedR_start()
# Assuming that samples are stored in a table named mortgage.
# The name of response column is def,
# and the names of predictive columns are mltvspline1, mltvspline2,
# agespline1, agespline2, hpichgspline, and ficospline.
    loadedData <- db2darrays ("mortgage", dsn="RDev", resp=list("def"),
    pred=list("mltvspline1", "mltvspline2", "agespline1", "agespline2",
    "hpichgspline", "ficospline"))

# Optionally user cannot specify pred argument in which case
# all columns of the table mortgage by default excluding
# the response column name (resp argument)
    loadedData <- db2darrays ("mortgage", dsn="RDev", resp=list("def"))

## End(Not run)</pre>
```

db2dframe

A simple loader for dframe

Description

db2dframe function is an example for loading a set of unlabeled samples stored in a table/view to a dframe. It is assumed that samples are stored in a single table/view. By default, it uses Vertica Connector for Distributed R to load data from a table in Vertica database to a dframe. When Vertica Connector for Distributed R is not selected, vRODBC or RODBC will be used to connect to the database and extract data from the table. In the latter case, the table must contain a column called 'rowid'. It is also assumed that 'rowid' starts from 0, and there is no missed 'rowid'.

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Usage

Arguments

tableName it is the name of a table or a view in the database to be loaded into the dframe.

dsn the Data Source Name(DSN) as provided in ODBC.INI file to connect to the

database.

features this is an optional argument to specfy list of columns names corresponding to

the features of a sample. If this argument is not specfied or the argument is

empty, the function will load all columns of the table or view.

npartitions this optional argument specifies the desired number of partitions in the dis-

tributed array. If not specified, it will be equal to the number of active R instances in the distributed R cluster. It should be noted that the number of splits in the returned result might not be exactly the same as npartitions. Please read

the details for more information.

verticaConnector

when it is TRUE (default), Vertica Connector for Distributed R will be used load

data.

loadPolicy it is the data loading policy used for Vertica Connector for Distributed R. It can

have two values, "local" or "uniform". By default, "local" policy is used. Views and external tables will always be loaded with "uniform" policy. See details

section for more information.

Details

The number of partitions of the resultant dframe will be approximately equal to value provided in argument 'npartitions'. When Vertica Connector for Distributed R is used, argument 'loadPolicy' defines the data loading policy between Distributed R and Vertica. loadPolicy "local" is employed when number of Distributed R worker is same as number for Vertica nodes containing data for table specified in argument 'tableName'. With this policy, there is one-to-one data load from a Vertica node to a Distributed R worker. For the alternate scenario, loadPolicy "uniform" is used where each Vertica nodes involves all Distributed R nodes in the data loading process. By default, loadPolicy "local" is used but it is automatically changed to "uniform" when the conditions for loadPolicy "local" are not met.

db2dframe supports numeric, logical and character data types. With Vertica Connector for Distributed R, character values should be less than 256 characters in length.

Value

X the dframe of samples

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Examples

```
## Not run:
    require(HPdata)
    distributedR_start()
```

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db2dgraph

A simple graph loader from a database

Description

db2dgraph function is an example for loading an adjacency matrix from a table of edge-list stored in a database. It is assumed that edge-list is stored in a single table. It is also assumed that the ID of vertices in the table starts from zero. As the returned darray will be column-wise partitioned, it would be more efficient when there is projection (index) on the 'to' column of the table.

Usage

```
db2dgraph(tableName, dsn, from, to, weight, npartitions)
```

Arguments

tableName	it is the name of the table in the database in string format.
dsn	the name of configuration in ODBC.INI file for connecting to the database
from	the name of the column in the table which stores the source vertices
to	the name of the column in the table which stores the target vertices
weight	the name of the column in the table which stores the weights of the edges (it is an optional argument)
npartitions	this optional argument specifies the desired number of splits (partitions) in the distributed array. When it is not specified, it will become equal to the number of active instances in the distributed R environment. It should be noted that the number of splits in the returned result might not be exactly the same as npartitions. Please read the details for more information.

Details

The number of partitions at the result might not be exactly the same as desired number, but it will be close to it. The final number of partitions can be determined by the following routine. When a positive integer number is specified for npartitions, the number of samples in each partition of the distributed structure will be calculated as verticesInSplit <- ceiling(nVertices/npartitions) where nVertices is the number of vertices. As for building the distributed data structure, the value of

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verticesInSplit will be used, the final number of partitions will be ceiling(nVertices/verticesInSplit) which might be different from npartitions.

The ID of the vertices starts from 0. The maximum ID number will be used to find the number of vertices in the graph. All missed ID numbers between the first ID (0) and the maximum ID will be assumed as vertices without any connected edge.

Value

```
X the sparse darray of adjacency matrix
W the sparse darray of weights on edges
```

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Examples

```
## Not run:
    require(HPdata)
    distributedR_start()
    # Assuming that unweighted edge-list is stored in a table
    # named "graph", and the names of the columns are "x", "y".
    dgraphDB <- db2dgraph("graph", from="x", to="y", dsn="RDev")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

db2matrix

A simple loader for loading a matrix from a database

Description

db2matrix function is an example for loading a set of unlabeled samples stored in a table to a matrix. It is assumed that samples are stored in a single table. All the rows of the table will be read, and each row will be a sample.

Usage

```
db2matrix(tableName, dsn, features = list(...))
```

Arguments

tableName it is the name of the table in the database in string format.

dsn the Data Source Name(DSN) as provided in ODBC.INI file to connect to the

database.

features the list of the name of columns corresponding to the features of a sample.

Value

X the matrix

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Examples

```
## Not run:
    # Assuming that centers are stored in a table named "centers",
    # and the names of the columns are "col1", "col2", "col3", and "col4".
    loadedCenters <- db2matrix ("centers", list("col1", "col2",
        "col3", "col4"), dsn="RDev")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

file2dgraph

A simple graph loader from a set of files

Description

file2dgraph function is an example for loading an adjacency matrix from an edge-list which is split in a set of files. It is assumed that edge-list is properly split among nfiles. Split files should correspond to column-wise partitioned adjacency matrix; i.e., each file will be used to load one partition of such a matrix. The files should be available from the same path from all the nodes; i.e., they should be located either on NFS or on the same path in different nodes of the cluster. Moreover, isWeighted input argument should be set properly according to the graph stored in the files.

Usage

```
file2dgraph(pathPrefix, nVertices, verticesInSplit, isWeighted)
```

Arguments

pathPrefix the path and prefix to the files. It should be an absolute path and the same on all nodes of the cluster.

nVertices the total number of vertices in the graph

verticesInSplit

the number of vertices considered in each split file

is Weighted it should be FALSE when the there is no weight information in the input files

Details

The split files should be partitioned edge-lists of a graph. The vertices should be partitioned among the file in such a way that nFiles == ceiling(nVertices / verticesInSplit) where nFiles is the number of files, nVertices is the total number of vertices, and verticesInSplit is the number of vertice in each file. The last file may have less vertices. The ID of the vertices starts from 0. The maximum ID number must be equal to nVertices - 1. All missed ID numbers between the first ID (0) and the maximum ID will be assumed as vertices without any connected edge.

is Weighted must be carefully set TRUE or FALSE. Either all the edges should be weighed or none of them. When there is no weight, the return value for $\mathbb W$ will be \mathtt{NULL} .

Any comment or extra character in the lines will generate error.

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All the nodes of the cluster should have access to all the split files, whether they are on a shared storage or they are distributed among the nodes. Nevertheless, only a portion of split files will be used by R-executors of a node. When the files are distributed among the nodes, file2dgraph function will be robust against corruption of the files which are not used by any R-executors. It should be noticed that this function does not detect the possible inconsistency of the distributed files, but it is assumed that they are the same from point of view of all the nodes.

Value

X the sparse darray of adjacency matrix
W the sparse darray of weights on edges

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Examples

splitGraphFile

A simple graph splitter

Description

splitGraphFile function is an example for splitting an edge-list file of a graph, and distributing the results among the active nodes of a cluster system. The result of this function can be fed to file2dgraph function to create a darray for adjacency matrix. The input edge-list is assumed zero-based; i.e., the id of the first edge is zero. The total number of vertices will be calculated according to the maximum vertex id in the input file, and for any missed vertex id a dummy vertex will be assumed; i.e., a vertex with no connected edge.

Usage

```
splitGraphFile(inputFile, npartitions, outputPath, isNFS = FALSE)
```

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Arguments

inputFile the input file which contains the complete adjacency list of a graph. An absolute

path should be used.

npartitions the desired number of partitions in the graph. It may change based on the total

number of vertices. It will be translated to the number of split files.

outputPath it is the path for storing the output split files, it should be similar for master and

workers. An absolute path should be used.

isNFS TRUE indicates that outputPath is on NFS; therefore, only one copy of files will

be sent to the destination. When it is FALSE (defualt) a copy of the files will be

sent to every active node in the pool.

Details

Master should have read and write access to inputPath. Moreover, it should have write access to outputPath. When outputPath is not on NFS (the default assumption), Master distributes the files among all the workers which are active in the distributedR environment. outputPath should be already available on all the nodes of the cluster.

The input file should be a text file containing the edge-list of a graph. Each edge should appear in a new line. Each edge should be represented by two integer numbers. The first integer would be the ID of the source vertex, and the second integer would be the ID of the target vertex. Edges can have floating point numbers for their weights which should appear right after the target vertex. These numbers should appear at the beginning of a line and delimited by space. Anything after these numbers will be ignored. Moreover, any line which starts with a non-number word will be assumed as a comment line and will be ignored. Existence of weight on the first edge determines if it the graph is weighted or not. Therefore, if the first edge appeared in the file does not have weight, weights on any other edges will be ignored. On the other hand, when the first edge has a weight, all other edges will be assumed weighted. In this case, the weight of the edges where it is not explicitly specified would be 1.

The ID of the vertices starts from 0. The maximum ID number will be used to find the number of vertices in the graph. All missed ID numbers between the first ID (0) and the maximum ID will be assumed as vertices without any connected edge.

The number of files at the result might not be exactly the same as desired number, but it will be close to it. The final number of files can be determined by the following routine. When a positive integer number is specified for npartitions, the number of vertices in each split file will be calculated as verticesInSplit <- ceiling(nVertices/npartitions) where nVertices is the number of vertices in the input graph. Then, the final number of files will be nFiles <- ceiling(nVertices/verticesInSplit) which might be different from npartitions. The files will be indexed from 0 to nFiles - 1.

Value

pathPrefix the prefix name of the split files

nVertices the total number of vertices in the graph

verticesInSplit

the number of vertices considered in each split file

 ${\tt nFiles} \hspace{1.5cm} \textbf{the number of split files} \\$

is Weighted it indicates that there is weight on edges when it is TRUE

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