







Ensembling deep transformation models

Advances in statistical modeling with neural networks

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Available data:

Tabular



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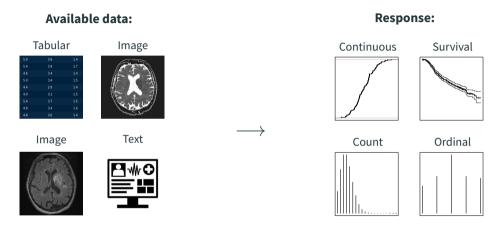
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How do changes in the predictors propagate to the **distribution** of the response?

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How can we handle non-tabular data?

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How can we cover all response types?

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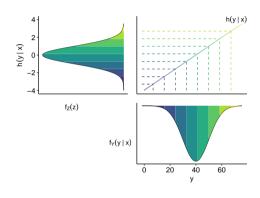
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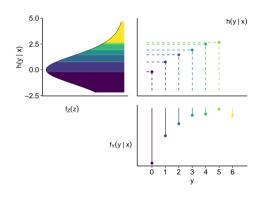
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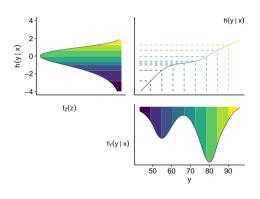
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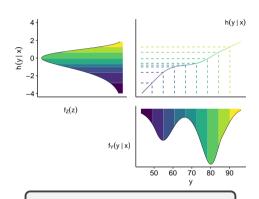
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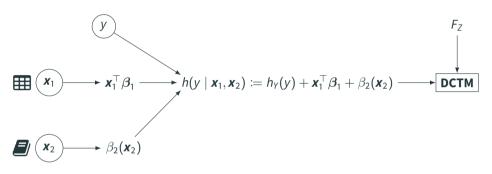
• And many more ...



Transformation models

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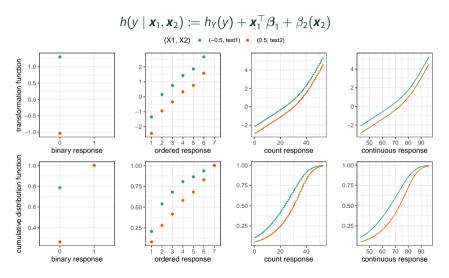
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DCTM: Deep conditional transformation model III: Tabular data

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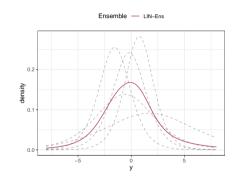
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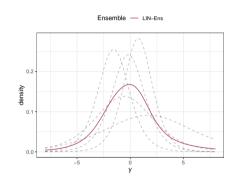
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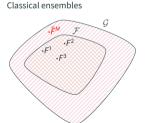
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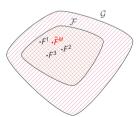
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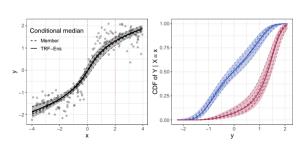
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Deep Interpretable Ensembles

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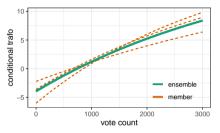
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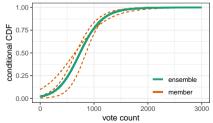
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