

# **Aglomera.NET**

A hierarchical agglomerative clustering (HAC) library written in C#

Aglomera is a .NET open-source library written entirely in C# that implements hierarchical clustering (HC) algorithms. A cluster refers to a set of instances or data-points. HC can either be agglomerative (bottom-up approach) or divisive (top-down approach). The distance between each instance is calculated using some dissimilarity function. The distance between clusters is calculated using some linkage criterion. Each step of HC produces a new cluster-set, i.e., a set of clusters, from the cluster-set of the previous step.

Agglomerative HC starts with a cluster-set in which each instance belongs to its own cluster. At each step, it merges the two closest clusters, until all clusters have been merged into a single cluster containing all instances, i.e., it ends with a cluster-set containing a single cluster with all instances. Divisive HC works in reverse — it starts by having a cluster-set with one cluster containing all instances. At each step, it splits clusters recursively, using some splitting method, until reaching one cluster-set containing only singletons, i.e., where each instance is placed in its own cluster.

The *clustering result* is a list containing the cluster-set and the corresponding dissimilarity / distance at which it was created at each step of the algorithm. The result is organized in a hierarchical form, *i.e.*, where each cluster references either the *two parents* that were merged for its creation (in the agglomerative approach), or the *two children* resulting from splitting the cluster (in the divisive approach). Due to their hierarchical nature, clustering results can be visualized via a *dendrogram*.

Currently, Aglomera.NET implements *program AGNES* (AGglomerative NESting) of [Kaufman & Rousseeuw, 1990], *i.e.*, the bottom-up approach, the It supports different linkage criteria and also provides several metrics to perform internal and external evaluation of clustering results. The results of clustering can be exported to a Json file to be visualized as a dendrogram in *DendrogramViewer*, an interactive web-application using D3.js.

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## **About**

Aglomera.NET is open-source under the MIT license and is free for commercial use.

- Source repository: <a href="https://github.com/pedrodbs/Aglomera">https://github.com/pedrodbs/Aglomera</a>
- Issue tracker: <a href="https://github.com/pedrodbs/Aglomera/issues">https://github.com/pedrodbs/Aglomera/issues</a>

#### Supported platforms:

 All runtimes supporting .NET Standard 1.3+ (.NET Core 1.0+, .NET Framework 4.6+) on Windows, Linux and Mac

### **API Documentation**

- HTML
- Windows Help file (CHM)
- PDF document

# **Packages and Dependencies**

The following packages with the corresponding dependencies are provided:

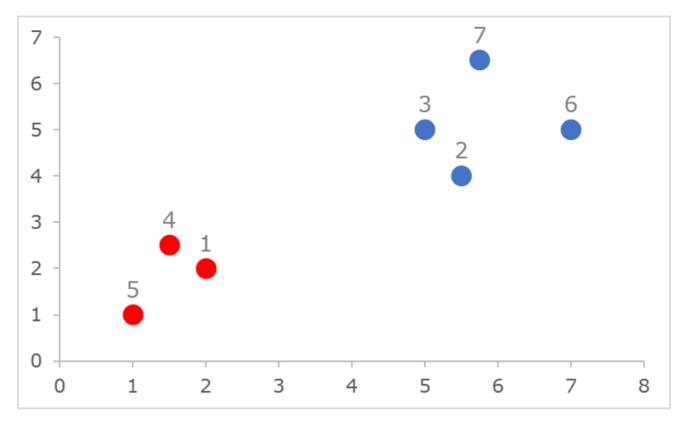
- Aglomera: core package, including clustering algorithm, linkage criteria and evaluation metrics.
- **Aglomera.D3:** package to export clustering results to Json files to be visualized with D3.js.
  - o <u>Ison.NET</u> v11.0.2

# Installation

You can git clone the Aglomera.NET <u>source code</u> and use an IDE like VisualStudio to build the corresponding binaries.

# **Getting started**

Consider the following data-set example taken from [Kaufman & Rousseeuw, 1990]:



where colors indicate the "real" instance class, i.e., either 'A=red' or 'B=blue'.

Start by defining a *data-point* class, for example one to represent points in a 2D Euclidean space, such as:

```
class DataPoint : IComparable<DataPoint>
{
    public DataPoint(string id, double x, double y) { ... }
    public int CompareTo(DataPoint other) { ... }
    ...
}
```

and then define a dissimilarity metric for this type:

```
class DssimilarityMetric : IDissimilarityMetric<DataPoint>
{
   public double Calculate(DataPoint instance1, DataPoint instance2) { ... }
}
```

We can then define the data-set by using:

```
var dataPoints = new HashSet<DataPoint>(
    new[]
{
    new DataPoint("1", 2.00, 2.00),
    new DataPoint("2", 5.50, 4.00),
    new DataPoint("3", 5.00, 5.00),
    new DataPoint("4", 1.50, 2.50),
    new DataPoint("5", 1.00, 1.00),
    new DataPoint("6", 7.00, 5.00),
    new DataPoint("7", 5.75, 6.50)
});
```

We now select a *linkage criterion* and create the *clustering algorithm*:

```
var metric = new DissimilarityMetric();
var linkage = new AverageLinkage<DataPoint>(metric);
var algorithm = new AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm<DataPoint>(linkage);
```

The *clustering result* is then obtained by simply executing:

```
var clusteringResult = algorithm.GetClustering(dataPoints);
```

Enumerating the result (a ClusteringResult<DataPoint> object) yields the following:

```
[0] {0.000 {(1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7)}}

[1] {0.707 {(2), (3), (5), (6), (7), (1;4)}}

[2] {1.118 {(5), (6), (7), (1;4), (2;3)}}

[3] {1.498 {(6), (7), (2;3), (1;4;5)}}

[4] {1.901 {(7), (1;4;5), (2;3;6)}}

[5] {2.047 {(1;4;5), (2;3;6;7)}}

[6] {5.496 {(1;4;5;2;3;6;7)}}
```

from which we can select the appropriate data-set, *e.g.*, according to the number of clusters, the distance, external criteria, etc.

## **Features**

- Supports the following **linkage criteria**, used to consider the dissimilarity between clusters:
  - o *Complete* (farthest neighbor), *average* (UPGMA), *centroid*, *minimum energy*, *single* (nearest neighbor), *Ward's minimum variance* method.
- Provides the following **external clustering evaluation criteria**, used to evaluate the quality of a given cluster-set when each data-point has associated a certain label / class:
  - Purity, normalized mutual information, accuracy, precision, recall, F-measure.
  - o To externally-evaluate the clustering result, start by indicating the *class* of each data-point, *e.g.*, a char, and an evaluation criterion:

```
var pointClasses = new Dictionary<DataPoint, char>{...};
var criterion = new NormalizedMutualInformation<DataPoint, char>();
```

The evaluation score of the 5th cluster-set is given by executing:

```
var score = criterion.Evaluate(clusteringResult[5], pointClasses);
```

- Provides the following **internal clustering evaluation criteria**, used to select the optimal number of clusters when *no ground truth is available*:
  - o Silhouette coefficient, Dunn index, Davies-Bouldin index, Calinski-Harabasz index, Modified Gamma statistic, Xie-Beni index, within-between ratio, I-index, Xu index, RMSSD, R-squared.
  - To internally-evaluate the clustering result, we simply choose an evaluation criterion and calculate the score:

```
var criterion = new SilhouetteCoefficient<DataPoint>(metric);
var score = criterion.Evaluate(clusteringResult[5]);
```

#### CSV export

• To export the result of clustering to a comma-separated values (CSV) file, we simply do:

```
clusteringResult.SaveToCsv(FILE_PATH);
```

which would produce a CSV file with the contents of each cluster in the cluster-set of each step of the algorithm, one instance per line.

#### • D3.js export

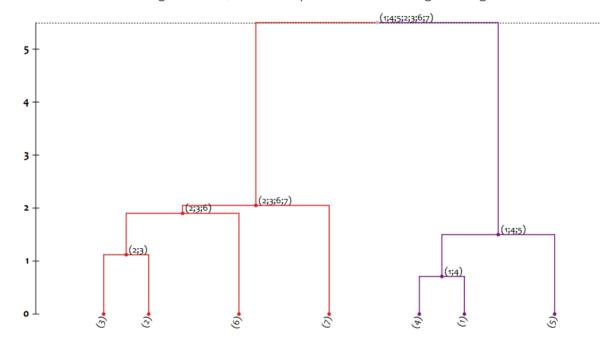
• Export the *result of clustering* to a Json file that contains the hierarchical structure of the clustering procedure that can be loaded into *DendrogramViewer* to produce a *dendrogram*, *e.g.*:

```
using Aglomera.D3;
...
clusteringResult.SaveD3DendrogramFile(fullPath, formatting: Formatting.Indented);
```

would produce Json text like the following:

where n holds the name or id of the cluster, d is the dissimilarity / distance at which it was found and created, and c contains the list containing the pair of parents or children of the cluster.

• When loaded in *DendrogramViewer*, this would produce the following dendrogram:



## **Examples**

Example code can be found in the <u>src/Examples</u> folder in the <u>repository</u>. Several open-source data-sets adapted to work with the example applications can be found in <u>src/Examples/datasets</u>.

- **NumericClustering:** a simple example of using agglomerative HC to cluster a data-set loaded from an external CSV file. Several linkage criteria are used and clustering results are saved to CSV and D3 Json files.
- InternalClusteringEvaluation: shows how to perform evaluation of clustering results using internal criteria. A data-set is loaded from an external CSV file and clustered using agglomerative HC. For each

- internal criterion, the optimal cluster-set in the clustering result is selected by maximizing the score.
- **ExternalClusteringEvaluation:** shows how to perform evaluation of clustering results using external criteria. A labeled data-set is loaded from an external CSV file and clustered using agglomerative HC. The class of each instance is given by the first character of its id. The score of several external criteria for each cluster-set in the clustering result is then printed to the Console.

### See Also

#### References

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#### Other links

- Hierarchical agglomerative clustering Stanford NLP Group
- Hierarchical clustering (Wikipedia)
- Complete linkage criterion (Wikipedia)
- Single linkage criterion (Wikipedia)
- Silhouette clustering (Wikipedia)
- Dunn index (Wikipedia)
- Davies-Bouldin index (Wikipedia)
- D3.js

# Aglomera Namespace

## Classes

|          | Class                                       | Description   |
|----------|---|---|
| ***      | AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance) | Implements the agglomerative nesting clustering algorithm (program AGNES) in [1].   |
| ***      | <u>CachedDissimilarityMetric(TInstance)</u> | Represents a cache to store dissimilarities between all instances of a known set, as dictated by a base <a href="IDissimilarityMetric">IDissimilarityMetric</a> (TInstance).                                |
| ***      | <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u>                   | Represents a set of <i>TInstance</i> elements arranged in a hierarchical form.  |
| ***      | ClusteringResult(TInstance)                 | Represents the result of a clustering algorithm, consisting in the sequence of <a href="ClusterSet(TInstance">ClusterSet(TInstance</a> ) elements that were found during the agglomeration of all clusters. |
| ****     | ClusterSet(TInstance)                       | Represents a set of <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> elements that were found during the execution of the clustering algorithm separated at some minimum distance.   |
| <b>%</b> | Combinatorics                               | A utility class containing combinatorics methods.   |
| ***      | Extensions                                  | Contains several extension utility methods.   |

## Structures

| tructure | Description  |
|----------|--|
|          | Represents the result of evaluating some <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> according to some criterion. |
|          | usterSetEvaluation(TInstance)  |

## Interfaces

|    |    | Interface | Description   |
|----|----|-----------|---|
| Si | -0 |           | Represents an interface for hierarchical agglomerative clustering algorithms.               |
| 82 | -0 |           | Represents an interface for metrics measuring the dissimilarity/distance between instances. |

# Delegates

| Delegate | Description   |
|----------|---|
|          | Represents a delegate for functions calculating the centroids of <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> objects, i.e., they calculate the representative element of a given cluster. |

## AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance) Class

Implements the agglomerative nesting clustering algorithm (program AGNES) in [1].

## Inheritance Hierarchy

#### System.Object

Aglomera.AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance)

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

#### C#

public class AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm<TInstance>: IClusteringAlgorithm<TInstance>
where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### **View Source**

#### Type Parameters

TInstance

The type of instance considered.

The AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|     |    | Name  | Description                                 |
|-----|----|---|---|
| 000 | =@ | AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance) | Creates a new instance of                   |
|     |    |   | AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance) |
|     |    |   | with the given set of instances and linkage |
|     |    |   | criterion.                                  |

#### **Properties**

| Name                    | Description  |
|-------------------------|--|
| <u>LinkageCriterion</u> | Gets the <a href="https://linkageCriterion">ILinkageCriterion</a> (TInstance) used by this algorithm to create the |
|                         | clusters.  |

#### Methods

|          | Name            | Description              |
|----------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| =0       | Equals          | (Inherited from Object.) |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u> | (Inherited from Object.) |

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| =0       | GetClustering(ISet(TInstance))                         | Clusters the set of <i>TInstance</i> given to the algorithm.   |
|----------|--|--|
| =0       | GetClustering(ClusterSet(TInstance))                   | Runs the clustering algorithm over the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> .                              |
| =0       | GetClustering(IEnumerable(Cluster(TInstance)), Double) | Runs the clustering algorithm over the set of given <a href="Cluster(Tinstance">Cluster(Tinstance)</a> . |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u>                                     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>≘</b> | GetType  | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>7</b> | <u>MemberwiseClone</u>                                 | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>ToString</u>  | (Inherited from Object.)   |

## Remarks

[1] Kaufman, L., & Rousseeuw, P. J. (1990). Agglomerative nesting (program AGNES). Finding Groups in Data: An Introduction to Cluster Analysis, 199-252.

See Also Aglomera Namespace

## AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance) Constructor

Creates a new instance of <u>AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance)</u> with the given set of instances and linkage criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

## C#

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

linkageCriterion

Type: <u>Aglomera.Linkage.ILinkageCriterion</u>(TInstance)

The criterion used to measure dissimilarities within and between clusters.

#### See Also

# AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(*TInstance*).AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(*TInstance*) Properties

The <u>AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

## **Properties**

| Name             | Description  |
|------------------|--|
| LinkageCriterion | Gets the <a href="https://linkageCriterion(TInstance">ILinkageCriterion(TInstance</a> ) used by this algorithm to create the |
|                  | clusters.  |

### See Also

# AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(*TInstance*).LinkageCriterion Property

Gets the <a href="LinkageCriterion(TInstance">LinkageCriterion(TInstance</a>) used by this algorithm to create the clusters.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### C#

public ILinkageCriterion<TInstance> LinkageCriterion { get; }

#### **View Source**

Property Value

Type: <a href="https://linkageCriterion">ILinkageCriterion</a>(TInstance)

**Implements** 

IClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance).LinkageCriterion

See Also

# AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(*TInstance*).AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(*TInstance*) Methods

The <u>AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

### Methods

|          | Name   | Description   |
|----------|--|---|
| =0       | Equals   | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| <b>7</b> | Finalize   | (Inherited from Object.)  |
|          | GetClustering(ISet(TInstance))                         | Clusters the set of <i>TInstance</i> given to the algorithm.                    |
| =0       | GetClustering(ClusterSet(TInstance))                   | Runs the clustering algorithm over the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> .     |
| =0       | GetClustering(IEnumerable(Cluster(TInstance)), Double) | Runs the clustering algorithm over the set of given <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> . |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u>                                     | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =        | GetType  | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| 70       | MemberwiseClone  | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =0       | ToString   | (Inherited from Object.)  |

### See Also

# AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(*TInstance*).GetClustering Method Overload List

|   | Name   | Description   |
|---|--|---|
| = | GetClustering(ISet(TInstance))                         | Clusters the set of <i>TInstance</i> given to the algorithm.  |
| = | GetClustering(ClusterSet(TInstance))                   | Runs the clustering algorithm over the given <a href="ClusterSet(TInstance">ClusterSet(TInstance)</a> . |
| = | GetClustering(IEnumerable(Cluster(TInstance)), Double) | Runs the clustering algorithm over the set of given Cluster(Tinstance).                                 |

# AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance).GetClustering Method (ISet(TInstance))

Clusters the set of Tinstance given to the algorithm.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

instances

Type: <u>System.Collections.Generic.ISet</u>(*TInstance*) The instances to be clustered by the algorithm.

#### Return Value

Type: <u>ClusteringResult</u>(TInstance)

A <u>ClusteringResult(TInstance)</u> containing all the <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> found in each step of the algorithm and the corresponding the dissimilarity/distance at which they were found.

#### **Implements**

IClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance).GetClustering(ISet(TInstance))

#### See Also

AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance)Class GetClustering Overload Aglomera Namespace

# AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(*TInstance*).GetClustering Method (ClusterSet(*TInstance*))

Runs the clustering algorithm over the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance</u>).

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <u>Aglomera.ClusterSet(TInstance)</u>

The initial clusters and dissimilarity provided to the algorithm.

#### Return Value

Type: <a href="ClusteringResult">ClusteringResult</a>(TInstance)

A <u>ClusteringResult(TInstance)</u> containing all the <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> found in each step of the algorithm and the corresponding the dissimilarity/distance at which they were found.

#### **Implements**

IClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance).GetClustering(ClusterSet(TInstance))

#### See Also

AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance)Class GetClustering Overload Aglomera Namespace

# AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(*TInstance*).GetClustering Method (IEnumerable(Cluster(*TInstance*)), Double)

Runs the clustering algorithm over the set of given <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u>.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusters

Type: <u>System.Collections.Generic.IEnumerable(Cluster(TInstance))</u>

The initial clusters provided to the algorithm.

dissimilarity (Optional)

Type: System.Double

The initial dissimilarity associated with the given clusters.

#### Return Value

Type: <a href="ClusteringResult">ClusteringResult</a>(TInstance)

A <u>ClusteringResult(TInstance</u>) containing all the <u>ClusterSet(TInstance</u>) found in each step of the algorithm and the corresponding the dissimilarity/distance at which they were found.

#### **Implements**

IClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance).GetClustering(IEnumerable(Cluster(TInstance)), Double)

#### See Also

AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance)Class GetClustering Overload Aglomera Namespace

## CachedDissimilarityMetric(TInstance) Class

Represents a cache to store dissimilarities between all instances of a known set, as dictated by a base <a href="mailto:IDissimilarityMetric(TInstance">IDissimilarityMetric(TInstance</a>).

## Inheritance Hierarchy

#### System.Object

Aglomera.CachedDissimilarityMetric(TInstance)

#### Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### C#

#### **View Source**

#### Type Parameters

#### TInstance

The CachedDissimilarityMetric(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|   | Name | Description   |
|---|------|---|
| = |      | Creates a new CachedDissimilarityMetric(TInstance) according to the given base dissimilarity metric and the known set of instances. |

### Methods

|          | Name                   | Description   |
|----------|------------------------|---|
| =0       | <u>Calculate</u>       | Calculates the distance between two instances according to this metric. |
| <b>≘</b> | <u>Dispose</u>         | Releases all resources used by the CachedDissimilarityMetric(TInstance) |
| <b>≘</b> | <u>Equals</u>          | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>        | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>         | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| <b>7</b> | <u>MemberwiseClone</u> | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =0       | ToString               | (Inherited from Object.)  |

#### Remarks

This class is useful to use during the execution of AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance) as many ILinkageCriterion(TInstance) classes rely on pair-wise dissimilarities between the instances. In that sense, the set of instances has to be known beforehand and must not change and no verification is done in Calculate(TInstance, TInstance). This means that if cluster centroids are used to measure dissimilarities, they have to be included in the original set, otherwise the value will not be present in the cache.

See Also
Aglomera Namespace

## CachedDissimilarityMetric(TInstance) Constructor

Creates a new <u>CachedDissimilarityMetric(TInstance)</u> according to the given base dissimilarity metric and the known set of instances.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### C#

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#### **Parameters**

dissimilarityMeasure

Type: <u>Aglomera.IDissimilarityMetric</u>(TInstance)

The metric to be used to cache the dissimilarities between all instances.

#### allInstances

Type: <a href="System.Collections.Generic.ISet">System.Collections.Generic.ISet</a>(TInstance)

The set of instances for which to calculate the pair-wise dissimilarities.

#### See Also

<u>CachedDissimilarityMetric(TInstance)Class</u>

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# $\label{lem:cachedDissimilarityMetric} CachedDissimilarityMetric(TInstance). CachedDissimilarityMetric(TInstance) \\ Methods$

The <u>CachedDissimilarityMetric(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

### Methods

|          | Name                   | Description   |
|----------|------------------------|---|
| =0       | <u>Calculate</u>       | Calculates the distance between two instances according to this metric. |
| =0       | <u>Dispose</u>         |   |
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>          | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>        | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| <b>≘</b> | <u>GetHashCode</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| <b>≘</b> | GetType                | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| <b>7</b> | <u>MemberwiseClone</u> | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =0       | ToString               | (Inherited from Object.)  |

### See Also

<u>CachedDissimilarityMetric(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera Namespace</u>

## CachedDissimilarityMetric(TInstance).Calculate Method

Calculates the distance between two instances according to this metric.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

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#### **Parameters**

instance1

Type: Tinstance
The first instance.

instance2

Type: Tinstance

The second instance.

## Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

A value representing the distance between two instances according to this metric.

#### **Implements**

IDissimilarityMetric(TInstance).Calculate(TInstance, TInstance)

#### See Also

CachedDissimilarityMetric(TInstance)Class Aglomera Namespace

## CachedDissimilarityMetric(TInstance).Dispose Method

Releases all resources used by the <a href="CachedDissimilarityMetric(TInstance">CachedDissimilarityMetric(TInstance)</a>

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## Syntax

## C#

public void Dispose()

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Implements

IDisposable.Dispose()

See Also

CachedDissimilarityMetric(TInstance)Class Aglomera Namespace

## CentroidFunction(TInstance) Delegate

Represents a delegate for functions calculating the centroids of <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> objects, i.e., they calculate the representative element of a given cluster.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

#### **Parameters**

cluster

Type: <u>Aglomera.Cluster</u>(**Tinstance**)

The cluster whose representative we want to retrieve.

#### Type Parameters

Tinstance

The type of instance considered.

#### Return Value

Type: **Tinstance** 

The representative of the given cluster according to some criterion defined by this function.

#### See Also

Aglomera Namespace

## Cluster(TInstance) Class

Represents a set of *TInstance* elements arranged in a hierarchical form.

## Inheritance Hierarchy

System.Object

Aglomera.Cluster(TInstance)

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

#### C#

public class Cluster<TInstance>: IEnumerable<TInstance>,

IEnumerable, IEquatable<Cluster<TInstance>>, IComparable<Cluster<TInstance>>

where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### View Source

#### Type Parameters

TInstance

The type of instance considered.

The Cluster(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|    | Name  | Description   |
|----|---|---|
| =0 | Cluster(TInstance)(Cluster(TInstance))                              | Creates a new Cluster(TInstance) which is an exact copy of the given cluster. |
| =0 | Cluster(TInstance)(IEnumerable(TInstance), Double)                  | Creates a new Cluster(TInstance) with the given <i>TInstance</i> elements.    |
| =0 | Cluster(Tinstance)(Tinstance, Double)                               | Creates a new Cluster(TInstance) with a single <i>TInstance</i> element.      |
| =0 | Cluster(TInstance), Cluster(TInstance), Cluster(TInstance), Double) | Creates a new Cluster(TInstance) by joining the two given clusters.           |

## **Properties**

| Name          | Description   |
|---------------|---|
| Count         | Gets the number of elements in this cluster.  |
| Dissimilarity | Gets the dissimilarity / distance at which this cluster was found by the clustering |
|               | algorithm.  |

| Parent1 | Gets this cluster's first parent, if the cluster was formed by joining two existing clusters. Otherwise returns null.  |
|---------|--|
| Parent2 | Gets this cluster's second parent, if the cluster was formed by joining two existing clusters. Otherwise returns null. |

## Methods

|          | Name                       | Description   |
|----------|----------------------------|---|
| =0       | Clone                      | Creates a new Cluster(TInstance) which is an exact copy of this cluster.  |
| =0       | CompareTo                  | Compares this cluster with another cluster instance. Comparison is performed by count (number of items) first, then by string representation of the items.  |
| =0       | <u>Contains</u>            | Checks whether this cluster contains the given item.  |
| =0       | Equals(Object)             | (Overrides Object.Equals(Object).)  |
| =₩       | Equals(Cluster(TInstance)) | Checks whether this cluster is equal to another. Equality between cluster occurs when they are the same object or when the clusters contain the same elements, were created based on the same parent clusters and have the same associated dissimilarity. |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>            | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =0       | <u>GetEnumerator</u>       |   |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u>         | (Overrides Object.GetHashCode().)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>             | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| 7        | <u>MemberwiseClone</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =0       | <u>ToString</u>            | Gets a string representing this cluster in the form (item1;item2;;itemN). (Overrides Object.ToString().)  |

## Fields

|                   | Name         | Description            |
|-------------------|--------------|------------------------|
| <b>₽</b> <u>S</u> | <u>Empty</u> | Gets an empty cluster. |

# Extension Methods

|   |   | Name | Description   |
|---|---|------|---|
| ŀ | į |      | Returns the medoid of a given Cluster(TInstance), i.e., a representative                            |
|   |   |      | object whose dissimilarity to all the instances in the cluster is minimal. (Defined by Extensions.) |

# See Also

Aglomera Namespace

# Cluster(TInstance) Constructor

## Overload List

|   | Name   | Description  |
|---|--|--|
| 8 | Cluster(TInstance)(Cluster(TInstance))                             | Creates a new <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> which is an exact copy of the given cluster. |
| 9 | Cluster(Tinstance)(IEnumerable(Tinstance), Double)                 | Creates a new <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> with the given <i>TInstance</i> elements.    |
| 9 | Cluster(Tinstance)(Tinstance, Double)                              | Creates a new <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> with a single <i>TInstance</i> element.      |
| = | Cluster(Tinstance)(Cluster(Tinstance), Cluster(Tinstance), Double) | Creates a new <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> by joining the two given clusters.           |

See Also
<u>Cluster(TInstance)Class</u>
<u>Aglomera Namespace</u>

## Cluster(TInstance) Constructor (Cluster(TInstance))

Creates a new <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> which is an exact copy of the given cluster.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## Syntax

```
public Cluster(
          Cluster<TInstance> cluster
)
```

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

cluster

Type: <a href="Aglomera.Cluster">Aglomera.Cluster</a>(TInstance)

The cluster to be copied into the new cluster.

#### See Also

## Cluster(TInstance) Constructor (IEnumerable(TInstance), Double)

Creates a new <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> with the given TInstance elements.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

instances

Type: <a href="System.Collections.Generic.IEnumerable">System.Collections.Generic.IEnumerable</a>(TInstance)

The elements in the new cluster.

dissimilarity (Optional)

Type: <a href="System.Double">System.Double</a>

The dissimilarity/distance at which the new cluster was found.

#### See Also

## Cluster(TInstance) Constructor (TInstance, Double)

Creates a new <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> with a single *TInstance* element.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

```
public Cluster(
         TInstance instance,
         double dissimilarity = 0
)
```

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

instance

Type: Tinstance

The single element in the new cluster.

dissimilarity (Optional)
Type: System.Double

The dissimilarity/distance at which the new cluster was found.

#### See Also

# Cluster(TInstance) Constructor (Cluster(TInstance), Cluster(TInstance), Double)

Creates a new <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> by joining the two given clusters.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

parent1

Type: <u>Aglomera.Cluster</u>(*TInstance*) The first parent of the new cluster.

parent2

Type: <u>Aglomera.Cluster</u>(TInstance)
The second parent of the new cluster.

dissimilarity

Type: <u>System.Double</u>

The dissimilarity/distance at which the new cluster was found.

#### See Also

# Cluster(TInstance).Cluster(TInstance) Properties

The <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

## **Properties**

| Name                 | Description  |
|----------------------|--|
| Count                | Gets the number of elements in this cluster.   |
| <u>Dissimilarity</u> | Gets the dissimilarity / distance at which this cluster was found by the clustering algorithm.                         |
| Parent <sub>1</sub>  | Gets this cluster's first parent, if the cluster was formed by joining two existing clusters. Otherwise returns null.  |
| Parent2              | Gets this cluster's second parent, if the cluster was formed by joining two existing clusters. Otherwise returns null. |

See Also
Cluster(TInstance)Class
Aglomera Namespace

# Cluster(TInstance).Count Property

Gets the number of elements in this cluster.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## Syntax

## C#

public int Count { get; }

**View Source** 

Property Value
Type: <a href="Int32">Int32</a>

See Also

Cluster(TInstance)Class Aglomera Namespace

## Cluster(TInstance). Dissimilarity Property

Gets the dissimilarity / distance at which this cluster was found by the clustering algorithm.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## Syntax

#### C#

public double Dissimilarity { get; }

**View Source** 

Property Value
Type: <u>Double</u>

See Also

<u>Cluster(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera Namespace</u>

## Cluster(TInstance).Parent1 Property

Gets this cluster's first parent, if the cluster was formed by joining two existing clusters. Otherwise returns null.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

### **Syntax**

### C#

public Cluster<TInstance> Parent1 { get; }

### **View Source**

Property Value

Type: Cluster(TInstance)

See Also

Cluster(TInstance)Class Aglomera Namespace

## Cluster(TInstance).Parent2 Property

Gets this cluster's second parent, if the cluster was formed by joining two existing clusters. Otherwise returns null.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

### **Syntax**

### C#

public Cluster<TInstance> Parent2 { get; }

### **View Source**

Property Value

Type: Cluster(TInstance)

See Also

Cluster(TInstance)Class Aglomera Namespace

## Cluster(TInstance).Cluster(TInstance) Methods

The <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

## Methods

|            | Name                       | Description   |
|------------|----------------------------|---|
| =0         | Clone                      | Creates a new <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> which is an exact copy of this cluster.   |
|            | <u>CompareTo</u>           | Compares this cluster with another cluster instance. Comparison is performed by count (number of items) first, then by string representation of the items.  |
| =0         | <u>Contains</u>            | Checks whether this cluster contains the given item.  |
| =0         | Equals(Object)             | (Overrides Object.Equals(Object).)  |
| ⊒ <b>©</b> | Equals(Cluster(TInstance)) | Checks whether this cluster is equal to another. Equality between cluster occurs when they are the same object or when the clusters contain the same elements, were created based on the same parent clusters and have the same associated dissimilarity. |
| 7          | <u>Finalize</u>            | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =0         | GetEnumerator              |   |
| =0         | <u>GetHashCode</u>         | (Overrides Object.GetHashCode().)   |
| =0         | <u>GetType</u>             | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| <b>7</b>   | <u>MemberwiseClone</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =₩         | ToString                   | Gets a string representing this cluster in the form (item1;item2;;itemN). (Overrides Object.ToString().)  |

### **Extension Methods**

|   |            | Name                            | Description  |
|---|------------|---------------------------------|--|
| 1 | <b>Q</b> _ | <pre>GetMedoid(TInstance)</pre> | Returns the medoid of a given <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> , i.e., a representative |
|   |            |                                 | object whose dissimilarity to all the instances in the cluster is minimal.       |
|   |            |                                 | (Defined by <u>Extensions</u> .)   |

See Also
<u>Cluster(TInstance)Class</u>
<u>Aglomera Namespace</u>

## Cluster(TInstance).Clone Method

Creates a new <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> which is an exact copy of this cluster.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## Syntax

### C#

public Cluster<TInstance> Clone()

#### **View Source**

Return Value

Type: <a href="Cluster">Cluster</a>(TInstance)

A new <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> which is an exact copy of this cluster.

See Also

Cluster(TInstance)Class Aglomera Namespace

## Cluster(TInstance).CompareTo Method

Compares this cluster with another cluster instance. Comparison is performed by count (number of items) first, then by string representation of the items.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

### Syntax

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

other

Type: <a href="Aglomera.Cluster">Aglomera.Cluster</a>(TInstance)

The cluster to compare to.

### Return Value

Type: Int32

-1 if other is null, the result of <u>Count</u> comparison between the clusters, or the result of string.CompareOrdinal" if the clusters have the same count.

#### *Implements*

IComparable(T).CompareTo(T)

See Also
<u>Cluster(TInstance)Class</u>
<u>Aglomera Namespace</u>

## Cluster(TInstance).Contains Method

Checks whether this cluster contains the given item.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

item

Type: Tinstance

The item whose presence in the cluster we want to check.

# Return Value Type: Boolean

true if the cluster contains the given item, false otherwise.

### See Also

<u>Cluster(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera Namespace</u>

## Cluster(TInstance). Equals Method

## Overload List

|     |   | Name           | Description   |
|-----|---|----------------|---|
| 080 | • | Equals(Object) | (Overrides Object.Equals(Object).)  |
| 000 | • |                | Checks whether this cluster is equal to another. Equality between cluster occurs when they are the same object or when the clusters contain the same elements, were created based on the same parent clusters and have the same associated dissimilarity. |

See Also
Cluster(TInstance)Class
Aglomera Namespace

## Cluster(TInstance). Equals Method (Object)

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

### **Syntax**

```
C#

public override bool Equals(

Object other
)
```

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

other

Type: <a href="System.Object">System.Object</a>

[Missing <param name="other"/> documentation for "M:Aglomera.Cluster`1.Equals(System.Object)"]

Return Value
Type: Boolean

See Also

Cluster(TInstance)Class

**Equals Overload** 

## Cluster(TInstance).Equals Method (Cluster(TInstance))

Checks whether this cluster is equal to another. Equality between cluster occurs when they are the same object or when the clusters contain the same elements, were created based on the same parent clusters and have the same associated dissimilarity.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

### **Syntax**

```
public bool Equals(
          Cluster<TInstance> other
)
```

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

other

Type: <u>Aglomera.Cluster</u>(*TInstance*) The other cluster to verify equality.

#### Return Value

Type: **Boolean** 

true if the clusters are equal, false otherwise.

#### *Implements*

IEquatable(T).Equals(T)

See Also
Cluster(TInstance)Class
Equals Overload
Aglomera Namespace

## Cluster(TInstance).GetEnumerator Method

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

### **Syntax**



public IEnumerator<TInstance> GetEnumerator()

### **View Source**

Return Value

Type: <a href="IEnumerator">IEnumerator</a>(TInstance)

Implements

IEnumerable(T).GetEnumerator()

See Also
<u>Cluster(TInstance)Class</u>
<u>Aglomera Namespace</u>

## Cluster(TInstance).GetHashCode Method

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

### **Syntax**



public override int GetHashCode()

**View Source** 

Return Value Type: <u>Int32</u>

See Also

<u>Cluster(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera Namespace</u>

## Cluster(TInstance).ToString Method

Gets a string representing this cluster in the form (item1;item2;...;itemN).

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## Syntax

### C#

public override string ToString()

### **View Source**

Return Value
Type: String

A string representing the cluster.

See Also
<u>Cluster(TInstance)Class</u>
<u>Aglomera Namespace</u>

## Cluster(TInstance).Cluster(TInstance) Fields

The <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

## Fields

|            | Name         | Description            |
|------------|--------------|------------------------|
| <b>₽ S</b> | <u>Empty</u> | Gets an empty cluster. |

See Also
Cluster(TInstance)Class
Aglomera Namespace

## Cluster(TInstance). Empty Field

Gets an empty cluster.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## Syntax

## C#

public static readonly Cluster<TInstance> Empty

### **View Source**

Field Value

Type: <a href="Cluster">Cluster</a>(TInstance)

See Also

Cluster(TInstance)Class Aglomera Namespace

## ClusteringResult(TInstance) Class

Represents the result of a clustering algorithm, consisting in the sequence of <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> elements that were found during the agglomeration of all clusters.

# Inheritance Hierarchy <a href="System.Object">System.Object</a>

Aglomera.ClusteringResult(TInstance)

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### C#

public class ClusteringResult<TInstance>: IEnumerable<ClusterSet<TInstance>>,

IEnumerable

where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### **View Source**

#### **Type Parameters**

Tinstance

The type of instance considered.

The ClusteringResult(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|   | Name                        | Description  |
|---|-----------------------------|--|
| = | ClusteringResult(TInstance) | Creates a new ClusteringResult(TInstance) of the given size. |

### **Properties**

|   | Name        | Description   |
|---|-------------|---|
| 7 | Count       | Gets the number of <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> found by the algorithm.   |
| 7 | <u>Item</u> | Gets or sets the ClusterSet(TInstance) at the given index of the sequence.  |
|   |             | Gets the <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> corresponding to the agglomeration of all the <i>TInstance</i> elements considered by the algorithm. |

### Methods

|    | Name            | Description              |
|----|-----------------|--------------------------|
| =( | <u>Equals</u>   | (Inherited from Object.) |
| Ţ  | <u>Finalize</u> | (Inherited from Object.) |

|          | GetEnumerator      |  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>~</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       |                    | Saves the <u>ClusterSet(TInstance</u> ) objects stored in this ClusteringResult(TInstance) in a comma-separated values (CSV) file. |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

## Extension Methods

|   | Name   | Description  |
|---|--|--|
| ٠ | EvaluateClustering(TInstance)(IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance))   | Overloaded. Evaluates all given ClusterSet(TInstance)s according to the given IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance). The maximum number of clusters allowed in a cluster-set for it to be evaluated corresponds to sqrt(N/2), where N is the total number of instances clustered. (Defined by Extensions.)         |
| • | EvaluateClustering(TInstance)(IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance), UInt32)   | Overloaded. Evaluates all given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance</u> )s according to the given <u>IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance</u> ). (Defined by <u>Extensions</u> .)  |
| ٠ | EvaluateClustering(TInstance, TClass)(IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass), IDictionary(TInstance, TClass))         | Overloaded. Evaluates all given ClusterSet(TInstance)s according to the given IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass). The maximum number of clusters allowed in a cluster-set for it to be evaluated corresponds to sqrt(N/2), where N is the total number of instances clustered. (Defined by Extensions.) |
| • | EvaluateClustering(TInstance, TClass)(IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass), IDictionary(TInstance, TClass), UInt32) | Overloaded. Evaluates all given ClusterSet(TInstance)s according to the given IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass). (Defined by Extensions.)  |

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| SaveD3DendrogramFile(TInstance) | Saves the given                    |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
|                                 | ClusteringResult(TInstance) to a   |
|                                 | d3.js dendrogram file. (Defined by |
|                                 | <u>D3Extensions</u> .)             |

See Also Aglomera Namespace

## ClusteringResult(TInstance) Constructor

Creates a new <u>ClusteringResult(TInstance)</u> of the given size.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## Syntax

```
C#

public ClusteringResult(
    int size
)
```

### **View Source**

### Parameters

size

Type: <a href="System.Int32">System.Int32</a>

The maximum number of <u>ClusterSet(TInstance</u>) to be added by the algorithm.

### See Also

<u>ClusteringResult(TInstance)Class</u>

## ClusteringResult(TInstance).ClusteringResult(TInstance) Properties

The <u>ClusteringResult(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

## **Properties**

| Name          | Description   |
|---------------|---|
| Count         | Gets the number of <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> found by the algorithm.   |
| <u>Item</u>   | Gets or sets the <u>ClusterSet(TInstance</u> ) at the given index of the sequence.  |
| SingleCluster | Gets the <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> corresponding to the agglomeration of all the <i>TInstance</i> elements considered by the algorithm. |

See Also
ClusteringResult(TInstance)Class
Aglomera Namespace

## ClusteringResult(TInstance).Count Property

Gets the number of <a href="ClusterSet(TInstance">ClusterSet(TInstance</a>) found by the algorithm.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## Syntax

C#

public int Count { get; }

**View Source** 

Property Value
Type: <a href="Int32">Int32</a>

See Also

<u>ClusteringResult(TInstance)Class</u>

## ClusteringResult(TInstance).Item Property

Gets or sets the <u>ClusterSet(TInstance</u>) at the given index of the sequence.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

### **Syntax**

### C#

public ClusterSet<TInstance> this[
 int index

] { get; set; }

### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

index

Type: <a href="System.Int32">System.Int32</a>

The index of the cluster set we want to get or set.

#### Return Value

Type: ClusterSet(TInstance)

The <u>ClusterSet(TInstance</u>) at the given index of the sequence.

### See Also

ClusteringResult(TInstance)Class

## ClusteringResult(TInstance).SingleCluster Property

Gets the <u>Cluster(TInstance</u>) corresponding to the agglomeration of all the *TInstance* elements considered by the algorithm.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

### Syntax

### C#

public Cluster<TInstance> SingleCluster { get; }

### **View Source**

Property Value

Type: <a href="Cluster">Cluster</a>(TInstance)

See Also

ClusteringResult(TInstance)Class

## ClusteringResult(TInstance).ClusteringResult(TInstance) Methods

The <u>ClusteringResult(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

## Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| -=0      | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>≘</b> | GetEnumerator      |  |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | SaveToCsv          | Saves the ClusterSet(TInstance) objects stored in this ClusteringResult(TInstance) in a comma-separated values (CSV) file. |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

## **Extension Methods**

|            | Name   | Description  |
|------------|--|--|
| •          | EvaluateClustering(TInstance)(IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance))   | Overloaded. Evaluates all given ClusterSet(TInstance)s according to the given IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance). The maximum number of clusters allowed in a cluster-set for it to be evaluated corresponds to sqrt(N/2), where N is the total number of instances clustered. (Defined by Extensions.) |
| ا          | EvaluateClustering(TInstance)(IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance), UInt32)   | Overloaded. Evaluates all given<br><u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> s according<br>to the given<br><u>IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance)</u> . (Defined by <u>Extensions</u> .)   |
| <b>₽</b> į | EvaluateClustering(TInstance, TClass)(IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass), IDictionary(TInstance, TClass)) | Overloaded. Evaluates all given ClusterSet(TInstance)s according to the given IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass). The maximum number of clusters allowed in a cluster-set for it to be evaluated corresponds to sqrt(N/2), where N is the total number of instances                             |

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|  | clustered. (Defined by Extensions.)   |
|--|---|
| EvaluateClustering(TInstance, TClass)(IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass), IDictionary(TInstance, TClass), UInt32) | Overloaded. Evaluates all given<br>ClusterSet(TInstance)s according<br>to the given<br>IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInst<br>ance, TClass). (Defined by<br>Extensions.) |
| SaveD3DendrogramFile(TInstance)  | Saves the given <a href="ClusteringResult(TInstance">ClusteringResult(TInstance)</a> to a d3.js dendrogram file. (Defined by D3Extensions.)                             |

See Also
<u>ClusteringResult(TInstance)Class</u>
<u>Aglomera Namespace</u>

## ClusteringResult(TInstance).GetEnumerator Method

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

### **Syntax**



public IEnumerator<ClusterSet<TInstance>> GetEnumerator()

### **View Source**

Return Value

Type: <a href="IEnumerator(ClusterSet">IEnumerator(ClusterSet</a>(TInstance))

*Implements* 

IEnumerable(T).GetEnumerator()

See Also
<u>ClusteringResult(TInstance)Class</u>
<u>Aglomera Namespace</u>

## ClusteringResult(TInstance).SaveToCsv Method

Saves the <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> objects stored in this <u>ClusteringResult(TInstance)</u> in a commaseparated values (CSV) file.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

### Syntax

### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

filePath

Type: System.String

The path to the file in which to save the clustering results.

sepChar (Optional)
Type: System.Char

The character used to separate the fields in the CSV file.

#### See Also

<u>ClusteringResult(TInstance)Class</u>

## ClusterSet(TInstance) Class

Represents a set of <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> elements that were found during the execution of the clustering algorithm separated at some minimum distance.

# Inheritance Hierarchy <a href="System.Object">System.Object</a>

Aglomera.ClusterSet(TInstance)

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

### **Syntax**

#### C#

public class ClusterSet<TInstance>: IEnumerable<Cluster<TInstance>>,

**IEnumerable** 

where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### **View Source**

#### **Type Parameters**

Tinstance

The type of instance considered.

The ClusterSet(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|          | Name                         | Description   |  |
|----------|------------------------------|---|--|
| <b>=</b> | <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> | Creates a new ClusterSet(TInstance) with the given clusters and distance. |  |

### **Properties**

| Name                 | Description  |
|----------------------|--|
| Count                | Gets the number of clusters.   |
| <u>Dissimilarity</u> | The minimum dissimilarity/distance at which the clusters were found. |
| <u>Item</u>          | Gets the cluster at the give index.                                  |

#### Methods

|          | Name            | Description              |
|----------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>   | (Inherited from Object.) |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u> | (Inherited from Object.) |
| =0       | GetEnumerator   |                          |

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| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)  |
|----------|--------------------|---|
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =0       | 0 17               | Returns a string representation for the cluster-set in the form 'Dissimilarity {cluster1, cluster2,, clusterN}'. (Overrides Object.ToString().)                           |
| €0       | ,                  | Returns a string representation for the cluster-set in the form 'Dissimilarity {cluster1, cluster2,, clusterN}'. The presentation of the dissimilarity value is optional. |

See Also
Aglomera Namespace

## ClusterSet(TInstance) Constructor

Creates a new <u>ClusterSet(TInstance</u>) with the given clusters and distance.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusters

Type: Aglomera.Cluster(TInstance)[]

The set of clusters.

dissimilarity (Optional)
Type: System.Double

The dissimilarity/distance at which the clusters were found.

See Also

ClusterSet(TInstance)Class Aglomera Namespace

## ClusterSet(TInstance).ClusterSet(TInstance) Properties

The <u>ClusterSet(TInstance</u>) generic type exposes the following members.

## **Properties**

| Name          | Description  |
|---------------|--|
| Count         | Gets the number of clusters.   |
| Dissimilarity | The minimum dissimilarity/distance at which the clusters were found. |
| <u>Item</u>   | Gets the cluster at the give index.                                  |

See Also
<u>ClusterSet(TInstance)Class</u>
<u>Aglomera Namespace</u>

## ClusterSet(TInstance).Count Property

Gets the number of clusters.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## Syntax

## C#

public int Count { get; }

**View Source** 

Property Value
Type: <a href="Int32">Int32</a>

See Also

<u>ClusterSet(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera Namespace</u>

## ClusterSet(TInstance). Dissimilarity Property

The minimum dissimilarity/distance at which the clusters were found.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## Syntax

## C#

public double Dissimilarity { get; }

**View Source** 

Property Value
Type: <u>Double</u>

See Also

ClusterSet(TInstance)Class Aglomera Namespace

## ClusterSet(TInstance).Item Property

Gets the cluster at the give index.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## Syntax

### C#

public Cluster<TInstance> this[
 int index

]{ get; }

### View Source

### Parameters

index

Type: <u>System.Int32</u> Property Value

Type: <a href="Cluster">Cluster</a>(TInstance)

See Also

ClusterSet(TInstance)Class Aglomera Namespace

## ClusterSet(TInstance).ClusterSet(TInstance) Methods

The <u>ClusterSet(TInstance</u>) generic type exposes the following members.

## Methods

|          | Name               | Description   |
|----------|--------------------|---|
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =0       | GetEnumerator      |   |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =        | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| 7        | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =0       | ToString()         | Returns a string representation for the cluster-set in the form 'Dissimilarity {cluster1, cluster2,, clusterN}'. (Overrides Object.ToString().)                           |
| <b>≘</b> | ToString(Boolean)  | Returns a string representation for the cluster-set in the form 'Dissimilarity {cluster1, cluster2,, clusterN}'. The presentation of the dissimilarity value is optional. |

See Also
<u>ClusterSet(TInstance)Class</u>
<u>Aglomera Namespace</u>

## ClusterSet(TInstance).GetEnumerator Method

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

### **Syntax**



public IEnumerator<Cluster<TInstance>> GetEnumerator()

### **View Source**

Return Value

Type: IEnumerator(Cluster(TInstance))

*Implements* 

IEnumerable(T).GetEnumerator()

See Also
<u>ClusterSet(TInstance)Class</u>
<u>Aglomera Namespace</u>

## ClusterSet(TInstance).ToString Method

## Overload List

|   | Name         | Description   |
|---|--------------|---|
| 0 | ToString()   | Returns a string representation for the cluster-set in the form 'Dissimilarity {cluster1, cluster2,, clusterN}'. (Overrides Object.ToString().)                           |
|   | ToString(Boo | Returns a string representation for the cluster-set in the form 'Dissimilarity {cluster1, cluster2,, clusterN}'. The presentation of the dissimilarity value is optional. |

See Also
ClusterSet(TInstance)Class
Aglomera Namespace

## ClusterSet(TInstance).ToString Method

Returns a string representation for the cluster-set in the form 'Dissimilarity {cluster1, cluster2, ..., clusterN}'.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

#### C#

public override string ToString()

#### **View Source**

Return Value

Type: <a href="String">String</a>

A string representation for the cluster-set.

See Also

ClusterSet(TInstance)Class

**ToString Overload** 

## ClusterSet(TInstance).ToString Method (Boolean)

Returns a string representation for the cluster-set in the form 'Dissimilarity {cluster1, cluster2, ..., clusterN}'. The presentation of the dissimilarity value is optional.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

includeDissimilarity
Type: System.Boolean

Whether to include the value of <u>Dissimilarity</u> in the string representation.

## Return Value Type: String

A string representation for the cluster-set.

See Also
ClusterSet(TInstance)Class
ToString Overload
Aglomera Namespace

## ClusterSetEvaluation(TInstance) Structure

Represents the result of evaluating some <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> according to some criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### C#

public struct ClusterSetEvaluation<TInstance>
where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### **View Source**

#### Type Parameters

**TInstance** 

The type of instance considered.

The ClusterSetEvaluation(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|    | Name                                   | Description                                    |
|----|--|--|
| =0 | <u>ClusterSetEvaluation(TInstance)</u> | Creates a new ClusterSetEvaluation(TInstance). |

#### **Properties**

| Name                   | Description                              |  |
|------------------------|--|--|
| ClusterSet             | Gets the cluster-set that was evaluated. |  |
| <u>EvaluationValue</u> | Gets the value of the evaluation.        |  |

#### Methods

|     | Name               | Description                       |
|-----|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| ≘() | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from ValueType.)       |
| =0  | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from ValueType.)       |
| =0  | GetType            | (Inherited from Object.)          |
| =0  | ToString           | (Overrides ValueType.ToString().) |

#### See Also

## ClusterSetEvaluation(TInstance) Constructor

Creates a new <u>ClusterSetEvaluation(TInstance</u>).

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

```
public ClusterSetEvaluation(
        ClusterSet<TInstance> clusterSet,
        double evaluationValue
)
```

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <u>Aglomera.ClusterSet</u>(TInstance)
The cluster-set that was evaluated.

evaluationValue

Type: <a href="System.Double">System.Double</a>

The value of the evaluation.

#### See Also

<u>ClusterSetEvaluation(TInstance)Structure</u>

<u>Aglomera Namespace</u>

# ClusterSetEvaluation(*TInstance*).ClusterSetEvaluation(*TInstance*) Properties

The <u>ClusterSetEvaluation(TInstance</u>) generic type exposes the following members.

## **Properties**

| Name            | Description                              |  |
|-----------------|--|--|
| ClusterSet      | Gets the cluster-set that was evaluated. |  |
| EvaluationValue | Gets the value of the evaluation.        |  |

See Also
<u>ClusterSetEvaluation(TInstance)Structure</u>
<u>Aglomera Namespace</u>

## ClusterSetEvaluation(TInstance).ClusterSet Property

Gets the cluster-set that was evaluated.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## Syntax

#### C#

public ClusterSet<TInstance> ClusterSet { get; }

#### **View Source**

Property Value

Type: ClusterSet(TInstance)

See Also

<u>ClusterSetEvaluation(TInstance)Structure</u>

## ClusterSetEvaluation(*TInstance*).EvaluationValue Property

Gets the value of the evaluation.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## Syntax

#### C#

public double EvaluationValue { get; }

**View Source** 

Property Value
Type: <u>Double</u>

See Also

<u>ClusterSetEvaluation(TInstance)Structure</u>

# ${\tt ClusterSetEvaluation} ({\tt TInstance}). {\tt ClusterSetEvaluation} ({\tt TInstance}) \\ {\tt Methods}$

The <u>ClusterSetEvaluation(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

#### Methods

|    | Name               | Description                         |
|----|--------------------|-------------------------------------|
| =0 | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from <u>ValueType</u> .) |
| =0 | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from <u>ValueType</u> .) |
| =0 | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)            |
| =0 | ToString           | (Overrides ValueType.ToString().)   |

# See Also <u>ClusterSetEvaluation(TInstance)Structure</u> <u>Aglomera Namespace</u>

## ClusterSetEvaluation(TInstance).ToString Method

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**



public override string ToString()

**View Source** 

Return Value
Type: <u>String</u>

See Also

<u>ClusterSetEvaluation(TInstance)Structure</u>

## **Combinatorics Class**

A utility class containing combinatorics methods.

Inheritance Hierarchy System.Object

Aglomera.Combinatorics

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

C#

public static class Combinatorics

#### View Source

The **Combinatorics** type exposes the following members.

#### Methods

|            | Name            | Description   |
|------------|-----------------|---|
| =0         | GetCombinations | Gets the number of possible combinations (without repetition) according to the given number of elements and combination size. |
| <b>≘</b> © | GetFactorial    | Computes the factorial function n! of a given integer number > o.   |
| <b>=ℚ</b>  | GetPermutations | Returns the number of possible permutations of k elements from a set of n (without repetition).                               |

#### See Also

## Combinatorics.Combinatorics Methods

The **Combinatorics** type exposes the following members.

## Methods

|            | Name            | Description   |
|------------|-----------------|---|
| <b>=</b> 0 | GetCombinations | Gets the number of possible combinations (without repetition) according to the given number of elements and combination size. |
| =0         | GetFactorial    | Computes the factorial function n! of a given integer number > 0.   |
| =0         | GetPermutations | Returns the number of possible permutations of k elements from a set of n (without repetition).                               |

See Also
Combinatorics Class
Aglomera Namespace

#### Combinatorics.GetCombinations Method

Gets the number of possible combinations (without repetition) according to the given number of elements and combination size.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

```
public static long GetCombinations(
    long n,
    long k
)
```

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

n

Type: System.Int64

The number of elements in the set.

k

Type: System.Int64

The number of elements to choose from the set (combination size).

#### Return Value Type: <u>Int64</u>

The number of possible combinations (without repetition).

#### Remarks

See <a href="http://www.mathwords.com/c/combination">http://www.mathwords.com/c/combination</a> formula.htm.

#### See Also

Combinatorics Class Aglomera Namespace

## Combinatorics.GetFactorial Method

Computes the factorial function n! of a given integer number > o.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

n

Type: System.Int64

The number whose factorial we want to determine.

#### Return Value Type: <u>Int64</u>

The factorial n! of the given number.

#### See Also

<u>Combinatorics Class</u> <u>Aglomera Namespace</u>

## Combinatorics.GetPermutations Method

Returns the number of possible permutations of k elements from a set of n (without repetition).

Namespace: <u>Aglomera</u>

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

n

Type: <a href="System.Int64">System.Int64</a>

The number of elements in the set.

k

Type: <a href="System.Int64">System.Int64</a>

The number of elements to choose from the set (permutation size).

#### Return Value Type: <u>Int64</u>

#### Remarks

See <a href="http://www.mathwords.com/p/permutation">http://www.mathwords.com/p/permutation</a> formula.htm.

#### See Also

**Combinatorics Class** 

## **Extensions Class**

Contains several extension utility methods.

Inheritance Hierarchy System.Object

Aglomera.Extensions

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

C#

public static class Extensions

#### View Source

The **Extensions** type exposes the following members.

#### Methods

|            | Name  | Description  |
|------------|---|--|
| <b>≘©</b>  | EvaluateClustering(TInstance)(ClusteringResult(TInstance), IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance))   | Evaluates all given ClusterSet(TInstance)s according to the given IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance). The maximum number of clusters allowed in a cluster-set for it to be evaluated corresponds to sqrt(N/2), where N is the total number of instances clustered.          |
| <b>5</b>   | EvaluateClustering(TInstance)(ClusteringResult(TInstance), IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance), UInt32)   | Evaluates all given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> s according to the given <u>IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance</u> ).   |
| <b>= S</b> | EvaluateClustering(TInstance, TClass)(ClusteringResult(TInstance), IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass), IDictionary(TInstance, TClass)) | Evaluates all given ClusterSet(TInstance)s according to the given IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstanc e, TClass). The maximum number of clusters allowed in a cluster-set for it to be evaluated corresponds to sqrt(N/2), where N is the total number of instances clustered. |

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| =0 | EvaluateClustering(TInstance,   | Evaluates all given   |
|----|---|---|
| S  | TClass)(ClusteringResult(TInstance), IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass), IDictionary(TInstance, TClass), UInt32) | ClusterSet(TInstance)s according to the given<br>IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass).   |
| =Q | GetMedoid(TInstance)  | Returns the medoid of a given Cluster(TInstance), i.e., a representative object whose dissimilarity to all the instances in the cluster is minimal. |

See Also
Aglomera Namespace

## Extensions. Extensions Methods

The Extensions type exposes the following members.

## Methods

|                   | Name  | Description  |
|-------------------|---|--|
| = <b>\(\phi\)</b> | EvaluateClustering(TInstance)(ClusteringResult(TInstance), IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance))   | Evaluates all given ClusterSet(TInstance)s according to the given IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance). The maximum number of clusters allowed in a cluster-set for it to be evaluated corresponds to sqrt(N/2), where N is the total number of instances clustered.          |
| <b>€</b>          | EvaluateClustering(TInstance)(ClusteringResult(TInstance), IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance), UInt32)   | Evaluates all given ClusterSet(TInstance)s according to the given IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).   |
| <b>≘©</b>         | EvaluateClustering(TInstance, TClass)(ClusteringResult(TInstance), IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass), IDictionary(TInstance, TClass))         | Evaluates all given ClusterSet(TInstance)s according to the given IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstanc e, TClass). The maximum number of clusters allowed in a cluster-set for it to be evaluated corresponds to sqrt(N/2), where N is the total number of instances clustered. |
| 100               | EvaluateClustering(TInstance, TClass)(ClusteringResult(TInstance), IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass), IDictionary(TInstance, TClass), UInt32) | Evaluates all given ClusterSet(TInstance)s according to the given IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass).   |
| <b>≘</b> ≬        | GetMedoid(TInstance)  | Returns the medoid of a given Cluster(TInstance), i.e., a representative object whose dissimilarity to all the instances in the cluster is minimal.  |

See Also
<a href="Extensions Class">Extensions Class</a>
<a href="Aglomera Namespace">Aglomera Namespace</a>

## Extensions. Evaluate Clustering Method

## Overload List

|            | Name  | Description  |
|------------|---|--|
| <b>≘</b> © | EvaluateClustering(TInstance)(ClusteringResult(TInstance), IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance))   | Evaluates all given ClusterSet(TInstance)s according to the given IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance). The maximum number of clusters allowed in a cluster-set for it to be evaluated corresponds to sqrt(N/2), where N is the total number of instances clustered.          |
| <b>≘</b> © | EvaluateClustering(TInstance, TClass)(ClusteringResult(TInstance), IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass), IDictionary(TInstance, TClass))         | Evaluates all given ClusterSet(TInstance)s according to the given IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstanc e, TClass). The maximum number of clusters allowed in a cluster-set for it to be evaluated corresponds to sqrt(N/2), where N is the total number of instances clustered. |
| <b>≘©</b>  | EvaluateClustering(TInstance)(ClusteringResult(TInstance), IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance), UInt32)   | Evaluates all given ClusterSet(TInstance)s according to the given IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).   |
| <b>≘</b>   | EvaluateClustering(TInstance, TClass)(ClusteringResult(TInstance), IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass), IDictionary(TInstance, TClass), UInt32) | Evaluates all given ClusterSet(TInstance)s according to the given IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass).   |

See Also
<a href="Extensions Class">Extensions Class</a>
<a href="Aglomera Namespace">Aglomera Namespace</a>

## Extensions.EvaluateClustering(TInstance) Method (ClusteringResult(TInstance), IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance))

Evaluates all given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u>s according to the given <u>IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance)</u>. The maximum number of clusters allowed in a cluster-set for it to be evaluated corresponds to sqrt(N/2), where N is the total number of instances clustered.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### View Source

#### **Parameters**

clustering

Type: <u>Aglomera.ClusteringResult(TInstance)</u>

The cluster-sets to be evaluated.

criterion

Type: <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal.IInternalEvaluationCriterion</u>(**TInstance**)

The criterion used to evaluate the cluster-sets.

#### Type Parameters

**TInstance** 

The type of instance considered.

#### Return Value

Type: <u>ICollection(ClusterSetEvaluation(TInstance)</u>)
A list containing the evaluations for each cluster-set.

#### Usage Note

In Visual Basic and C#, you can call this method as an instance method on any object of type <u>ClusteringResult</u>(**TInstance**). When you use instance method syntax to call this method, omit the first parameter. For more information, see <u>Extension Methods</u> (<u>Visual Basic</u>) or <u>Extension Methods</u> (<u>C# Programming Guide</u>).

See Also

**Extensions Class** 

**EvaluateClustering Overload** 

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# Extensions. Evaluate Clustering (TInstance, TClass) Method (Clustering Result (TInstance), IExternal Evaluation Criterion (TInstance, TClass), IDictionary (TInstance, TClass))

Evaluates all given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance</u>)s according to the given <u>IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass</u>). The maximum number of clusters allowed in a cluster-set for it to be evaluated corresponds to sqrt(N/2), where N is the total number of instances clustered.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clustering

Type: <u>Aglomera.ClusteringResult(TInstance)</u>

The cluster-sets to be evaluated.

criterion

Type: <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.External.IExternalEvaluationCriterion</u>(**TInstance**, **TClass**)

The criterion used to evaluate the cluster-sets.

instanceClasses

Type: <u>System.Collections.Generic.IDictionary</u>(**TInstance**, **TClass**)

The instances' classes.

#### Type Parameters

**TInstance** 

The type of instance considered.

**TClass** 

The type of class considered.

#### Return Value

Type: <a href="ICollection">ICollection</a> (ClusterSetEvaluation</a> (Tinstance))

A list containing the evaluations for each cluster-set.

#### Usage Note

In Visual Basic and C#, you can call this method as an instance method on any object of type <u>ClusteringResult</u>(*Tinstance*). When you use instance method syntax to call this method, omit the first parameter. For more information, see <u>Extension Methods</u> (<u>Visual Basic</u>) or <u>Extension Methods</u> (<u>C# Programming Guide</u>).

See Also
Extensions Class
EvaluateClustering Overload
Aglomera Namespace

# Extensions.EvaluateClustering(TInstance) Method (ClusteringResult(TInstance), IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance), UInt32)

Evaluates all given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u>s according to the given <u>IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance)</u>.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clustering

Type: <u>Aglomera.ClusteringResult</u>(**TInstance**)

The cluster-sets to be evaluated.

criterion

Type: <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal.IInternalEvaluationCriterion</u>(**TInstance**)

The criterion used to evaluate the cluster-sets.

maxClusters

Type: <a href="System.UInt32">System.UInt32</a>

The maximum number of clusters allowed for a cluster-set for it to be evaluated.

#### Type Parameters

**TInstance** 

The type of instance considered.

#### Return Value

Type: <u>ICollection(ClusterSetEvaluation(TInstance)</u>)
A list containing the evaluations for each cluster-set.

#### Usage Note

In Visual Basic and C#, you can call this method as an instance method on any object of type <a href="ClusteringResult">ClusteringResult</a>(TInstance). When you use instance method syntax to call this method, omit the first

parameter. For more information, see <u>Extension Methods (Visual Basic)</u> or <u>Extension Methods (C# Programming Guide)</u>.

See Also
<a href="Extensions Class">Extensions Class</a>
<a href="EvaluateClustering Overload">EvaluateClustering Overload</a>
<a href="Aglomera Namespace">Aglomera Namespace</a>

# Extensions. Evaluate Clustering (TInstance, TClass) Method (Clustering Result (TInstance), IExternal Evaluation Criterion (TInstance, TClass), IDictionary (TInstance, TClass), UInt32)

Evaluates all given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u>s according to the given <u>IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass)</u>.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clustering

Type: <u>Aglomera.ClusteringResult</u>(**Tinstance**)

The cluster-sets to be evaluated.

criterion

Type: <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.External.IExternalEvaluationCriterion</u>(**TInstance**, **TClass**)

The criterion used to evaluate the cluster-sets.

instanceClasses

Type: <u>System.Collections.Generic.IDictionary</u>(**TInstance**, **TClass**)

The instances' classes.

maxClusters

Type: System.UInt32

The maximum number of clusters allowed for a cluster-set for it to be evaluated.

#### Type Parameters

**TInstance** 

The type of instance considered.

**TClass** 

The type of class considered.

#### Return Value

Type: <a href="ICollection">ICollection</a>(ClusterSetEvaluation</a>(TInstance))
A list containing the evaluations for each cluster-set.

#### Usage Note

In Visual Basic and C#, you can call this method as an instance method on any object of type <u>ClusteringResult</u>(*TInstance*). When you use instance method syntax to call this method, omit the first parameter. For more information, see <u>Extension Methods</u> (<u>Visual Basic</u>) or <u>Extension Methods</u> (<u>C# Programming Guide</u>).

See Also
Extensions Class
EvaluateClustering Overload
Aglomera Namespace

## Extensions.GetMedoid(TInstance) Method

Returns the medoid of a given <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u>, i.e., a representative object whose dissimilarity to all the instances in the cluster is minimal.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

cluster

Type: <u>Aglomera.Cluster</u>(**Tinstance**)

The cluster whose medoid we want to retrieve.

metric

Type: <u>Aglomera.IDissimilarityMetric</u>(**TInstance**)

The dissimilarity metric used to compare elements in the cluster, i.e., to calculate the distance between them.

#### Type Parameters

**TInstance** 

The type of instance considered.

#### Return Value

Type: **Tinstance** 

The medoid of the given cluster. If the cluster has two elements, it returns the first element of the cluster.

#### Usage Note

In Visual Basic and C#, you can call this method as an instance method on any object of type <u>Cluster</u>(**Tinstance**). When you use instance method syntax to call this method, omit the first parameter. For more information, see <u>Extension Methods</u> (<u>Visual Basic</u>) or <u>Extension Methods</u> (<u>C# Programming Guide</u>).

#### Remarks

"Medoids are representative objects of a data set or a cluster with a data set whose average dissimilarity to all the objects in the cluster is minimal. Medoids are similar in concept to means or

centroids, but medoids are always restricted to be members of the data set. Medoids are most commonly used on data when a mean or centroid cannot be defined, such as graphs. They are also used in contexts where the centroid is not representative of the dataset like in images and 3-D trajectories and gene expression (where while the data is sparse the medoid need not be). These are also of interest while wanting to find a representative using some distance other than squared euclidean distance (for instance in movie-ratings)." <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Medoid">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Medoid</a>

See Also
<a href="Extensions Class">Extensions Class</a>
<a href="Aglomera Namespace">Aglomera Namespace</a>

## IClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance) Interface

Represents an interface for hierarchical agglomerative clustering algorithms.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### C#

public interface IClusteringAlgorithm<TInstance>
where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### **View Source**

#### Type Parameters

TInstance

The type of instance considered.

The IClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

#### **Properties**

|  | Name             | Description  |
|--|------------------|--|
|  | LinkageCriterion | Gets the <a href="https://linkageCriterion">ILinkageCriterion</a> (TInstance) used by this algorithm to create the |
|  |                  | clusters.  |

#### Methods

|   | Name   | Description   |
|---|--|---|
| = | GetClustering(ISet(TInstance))                         | Clusters the set of <i>TInstance</i> given to the algorithm.  |
| = | GetClustering(ClusterSet(TInstance))                   | Runs the clustering algorithm over the given <a href="ClusterSet(TInstance">ClusterSet(TInstance</a> ). |
| = | GetClustering(IEnumerable(Cluster(TInstance)), Double) | Runs the clustering algorithm over the set of given <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> .                         |

#### See Also

# $IClustering Algorithm ({\it TInstance}). IClustering Algorithm ({\it TInstance}) \\ Properties$

The <a href="IClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance">IClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance</a>) generic type exposes the following members.

## **Properties**

|  | Name | Description   |
|--|------|---|
|  | _    | Gets the <a href="LinkageCriterion">LinkageCriterion</a> (TInstance) used by this algorithm to create the |
|  |      | clusters.   |

#### See Also

IClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance)Interface Aglomera Namespace

## IClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance).LinkageCriterion Property

Gets the <a href="LinkageCriterion(TInstance">LinkageCriterion(TInstance</a>) used by this algorithm to create the clusters.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## Syntax

#### C#

ILinkageCriterion<TInstance> LinkageCriterion { get; }

## <u>View Source</u>

Property Value

Type: <u>ILinkageCriterion(TInstance)</u>

See Also

 $\underline{IClustering Algorithm (TInstance) Interface}$ 

# $IClustering Algorithm ({\it TInstance}). IClustering Algorithm ({\it TInstance}) \\ Methods$

## Methods

|    | Name   | Description   |
|----|--|---|
| =  | GetClustering(ISet(TInstance))                         | Clusters the set of <i>TInstance</i> given to the algorithm.                    |
| =  | GetClustering(ClusterSet(TInstance))                   | Runs the clustering algorithm over the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> .     |
| =0 | GetClustering(IEnumerable(Cluster(TInstance)), Double) | Runs the clustering algorithm over the set of given <u>Cluster(Tinstance)</u> . |

# See Also <a href="IclusteringAlgorithm">IclusteringAlgorithm</a>(TInstance)Interface <a href="Aglomera Namespace">Aglomera Namespace</a>

# IClusteringAlgorithm(*TInstance*).GetClustering Method Overload List

|    | Name   | Description   |
|----|--|---|
| =  | GetClustering(ISet(TInstance))                         | Clusters the set of <i>TInstance</i> given to the algorithm.  |
| =0 | GetClustering(ClusterSet(TInstance))                   | Runs the clustering algorithm over the given <a href="ClusterSet(TInstance">ClusterSet(TInstance)</a> . |
| =0 | GetClustering(IEnumerable(Cluster(TInstance)), Double) | Runs the clustering algorithm over the set of given <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u> .                         |

# See Also <a href="IclusteringAlgorithm">IClusteringAlgorithm</a>(TInstance)Interface <a href="Aglomera Namespace">Aglomera Namespace</a>

# IClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance).GetClustering Method (ISet(TInstance))

Clusters the set of TInstance given to the algorithm.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

instances

Type: <u>System.Collections.Generic.ISet</u>(*TInstance*) The instances to be clustered by the algorithm.

#### Return Value

Type: <u>ClusteringResult</u>(TInstance)

A <u>ClusteringResult(TInstance)</u> containing all the <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> found in each step of the algorithm and the corresponding the dissimilarity/distance at which they were found.

#### See Also

IClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance)Interface GetClustering Overload Aglomera Namespace

# IClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance).GetClustering Method (ClusterSet(TInstance))

Runs the clustering algorithm over the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u>.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

## C#

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <a href="Aglomera.ClusterSet">Aglomera.ClusterSet</a>(TInstance)

The initial clusters and dissimilarity provided to the algorithm.

#### Return Value

Type: <u>ClusteringResult</u>(TInstance)

A <u>ClusteringResult(TInstance)</u> containing all the <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> found in each step of the algorithm and the corresponding the dissimilarity/distance at which they were found.

#### See Also

IClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance)Interface GetClustering Overload Aglomera Namespace

# IClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance).GetClustering Method (IEnumerable(Cluster(TInstance)), Double)

Runs the clustering algorithm over the set of given <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u>.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusters

Type: <a href="System.Collections.Generic.IEnumerable">System.Collections.Generic.IEnumerable</a>(Cluster(TInstance))

The initial clusters provided to the algorithm.

dissimilarity (Optional)

Type: System.Double

The initial dissimilarity associated with the given clusters.

#### Return Value

Type: <a href="ClusteringResult">ClusteringResult</a>(TInstance)

A <u>ClusteringResult(TInstance)</u> containing all the <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> found in each step of the algorithm and the corresponding the dissimilarity/distance at which they were found.

#### See Also

IClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance)Interface GetClustering Overload Aglomera Namespace

# IDissimilarityMetric(TInstance) Interface

Represents an interface for metrics measuring the dissimilarity/distance between instances.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## **Syntax**

#### C#

public interface IDissimilarityMetric<in TInstance>

#### **View Source**

#### Type Parameters

Tinstance

The type of instance considered.

The IDissimilarityMetric(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

#### Methods

|    | Name             | Description   |  |
|----|------------------|---|--|
| =0 | <u>Calculate</u> | Calculates the distance between two instances according to this metric. |  |

#### See Also

Aglomera Namespace

# $ID is similarity Metric ({\it TInstance}). ID is similarity Metric ({\it TInstance}) \\ Methods$

The  $\underline{\hbox{\tt IDissimilarityMetric}(\hbox{\tt TInstance})}\ generic\ type\ exposes\ the\ following\ members.$ 

## Methods

| 1 | Name      | Description   |
|---|-----------|---|
| = | Calculate | Calculates the distance between two instances according to this metric. |

#### See Also

IDissimilarityMetric(TInstance)Interface Aglomera Namespace

## IDissimilarityMetric(TInstance).Calculate Method

Calculates the distance between two instances according to this metric.

Namespace: Aglomera

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

instance1

Type: Tinstance
The first instance.

instance2

Type: Tinstance

The second instance.

## Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

A value representing the distance between two instances according to this metric.

#### See Also

IDissimilarityMetric(TInstance)Interface

Aglomera Namespace

# Aglomera.D3 Namespace

# Classes

|          | Class | Description   |
|----------|-------|---|
| <b>₽</b> | 1 -   | Contains a set of extensions for <u>ClusteringResult(TInstance)</u> objects to enable |
|          |       | export to D3.js dendrogram files.   |

## **D3Extensions Class**

Contains a set of extensions for <u>ClusteringResult(TInstance)</u> objects to enable export to D3.js dendrogram files.

Inheritance Hierarchy <a href="System.Object">System.Object</a>

Aglomera.D3.D3Extensions

Namespace: Aglomera.D3

Assembly: Aglomera.D3 (in Aglomera.D3.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## **Syntax**



public static class D3Extensions

#### **View Source**

The **D3Extensions** type exposes the following members.

## Methods

|          | Name                            | Description   |
|----------|---------------------------------|---|
| <b>=</b> | SaveD3DendrogramFile(TInstance) | Saves the given <u>ClusteringResult(TInstance)</u> to a d3.js |
| S        |                                 | dendrogram file.  |

#### See Also

Aglomera.D3 Namespace

# D3Extensions.D3Extensions Methods

The <u>D3Extensions</u> type exposes the following members.

## Methods

|          | Name                            | Description  |
|----------|---------------------------------|--|
| <b>=</b> | SaveD3DendrogramFile(TInstance) | Saves the given ClusteringResult(TInstance) to a d3.js |
| S        |                                 | dendrogram file.                                       |

# See Also <u>D3Extensions Class</u> <u>Aglomera.D3 Namespace</u>

## D3Extensions.SaveD3DendrogramFile(TInstance) Method

Saves the given <u>ClusteringResult(TInstance)</u> to a d3.js dendrogram file.

Namespace: Aglomera.D3

Assembly: Aglomera.D3 (in Aglomera.D3.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clustering

Type: <u>Aglomera.ClusteringResult</u>(**TInstance**)

The clustering result to be saved to a dendrogram file.

filePath

Type: System.String

The path to the file in which to save the clustering dendrogram.

printNames (Optional)
Type: System.Boolean

Whether to include clusters' string representation in their nodes.

formatting (Optional)

Type: **Formatting** 

The Json file formatting.

#### Type Parameters

TInstance

The type of instance considered.

#### Usage Note

In Visual Basic and C#, you can call this method as an instance method on any object of type <u>ClusteringResult</u>(**Tinstance**). When you use instance method syntax to call this method, omit the first parameter. For more information, see <u>Extension Methods</u> (<u>Visual Basic</u>) or <u>Extension Methods</u> (<u>C# Programming Guide</u>).

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See Also
D3Extensions Class
Aglomera.D3 Namespace

# Aglomera. Evaluation. External Namespace

# Classes

|          | Class  | Description  |
|----------|--|--|
| ***      | CombinedExternalCriterion(TInstance, TClass)   | Implements an external clustering evaluation criterion as a combination (weighted average) of other <a href="IExternalEvaluationCriterion">IExternalEvaluationCriterion</a> (TInstance, TClass).   |
| ***      | FMeasure(TInstance, TClass)                    | Evaluates the given partition according to the F-measure, i.e., it measures the accuracy of the clustering by measuring the percentage of decisions that are correct (true positives + true negatives).  |
| ***      | NormalizedMutualInformation(TInstance, TClass) | Evaluates the given partition according to the normalized mutual information criterion that measures the amount of information by which our knowledge about the classes increases when we are told what the clusters are.  |
| ***      | Precision(TInstance, TClass)                   | Evaluates the given partition according to the precision criterion, given by the percentage of true positives over all positives.  |
| ***      | Purity(TInstance, TClass)                      | Evaluates the given partition according to the purity criterion, where each cluster is assigned to its most frequent class, and then the accuracy of this assignment is measured by counting the number of correctly assigned instances and dividing by the total number of instances. |
| ****     | RandIndex(TInstance, TClass)                   | Evaluates the given partition according to the Rand index, i.e., it measures the accuracy of the clustering by measuring the percentage of decisions that are correct (true positives + true negatives).   |
| <b>%</b> | Recall(Tinstance, TClass)                      | Evaluates the given partition according to the recall criterion, given by the percentage of true positives over all relevant cases (true positives + false negatives).   |

# Interfaces

|   | Interface   | Description   |
|---|---|---|
| 6 | <ul><li>IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance,<br/>TClass)</li></ul> | Represents an interface for external criteria to evaluate how well the result of  |
|   |   | AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance) matches the classification of instances according to a set of gold standard classes. We can think of this as supervised |

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|  | clustering evaluation methods, i.e., external validation |
|--|--|
|  | methods.   |

## CombinedExternalCriterion(TInstance, TClass) Class

Implements an external clustering evaluation criterion as a combination (weighted average) of other <a href="mailto:lexternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance">lexternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance</a>, <a href="mailto:TClass">TClass</a>).

## Inheritance Hierarchy

#### System.Object

Aglomera. Evaluation. External. Combined External Criterion (TInstance, TClass)

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. External

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

#### C#

public class CombinedExternalCriterion<TInstance, TClass> : IExternalEvaluationCriterion<TInstance, TClass> where TInstance : Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### **View Source**

#### Type Parameters

**TInstance** 

The type of instance considered.

**TClass** 

The type of class considered.

The CombinedExternalCriterion(TInstance, TClass) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|   | Name   | Description   |
|---|--|---|
| = | CombinedExternalCriterion(TInstance, TClass) | Creates a new CombinedExternalCriterion(TInstance, TClass) according to the given criteria and respective |
|   |  | weights.  |

#### Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =0       | Equals             | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       |                    | Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition. |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |

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| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone | (Inherited from Object.) |
|----------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| =0       | ToString        | (Inherited from Object.) |

## See Also

## CombinedExternalCriterion(TInstance, TClass) Constructor

Creates a new <u>CombinedExternalCriterion(TInstance, TClass)</u> according to the given criteria and respective weights.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. External

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

## C#

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

#### criteria

Type: <u>System.Collections.Generic.IDictionary(IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass), Double</u>) A dictionary containing the several criteria to be used and how should they be combined, i.e., their associated weights.

#### See Also

<u>CombinedExternalCriterion(TInstance, TClass)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.External Namespace</u>

# CombinedExternalCriterion(TInstance, TClass).CombinedExternalCriterion(TInstance, TClass) Methods

The <u>CombinedExternalCriterion(TInstance, TClass)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

## Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =        | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>    | Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition. |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =₩       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =        | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

## See Also

<u>CombinedExternalCriterion(TInstance, TClass)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.External Namespace</u>

## CombinedExternalCriterion(TInstance, TClass). Evaluate Method

Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. External

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <a href="Aglomera.ClusterSet">Aglomera.ClusterSet</a>(TInstance)

The clustering partition.

instanceClasses

Type: <u>System.Collections.Generic.IDictionary</u>(TInstance, TClass)

The instances' classes.

#### Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

The evaluation of the given clustering according to this criterion.

#### *Implements*

<u>IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass).Evaluate(ClusterSet(TInstance), IDictionary(TInstance, TClass))</u>

#### See Also

<u>CombinedExternalCriterion(TInstance, TClass)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.External Namespace</u>

## FMeasure(TInstance, TClass) Class

Evaluates the given partition according to the F-measure, i.e., it measures the accuracy of the clustering by measuring the percentage of decisions that are correct (true positives + true negatives).

## Inheritance Hierarchy

#### System.Object

Aglomera. Evaluation. External. FMeasure (TInstance, TClass)

Namespace: <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.External</u>

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### C#

public class FMeasure<TInstance, TClass>: IExternalEvaluationCriterion<TInstance, TClass>
where TInstance : Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### View Source

#### Type Parameters

TInstance

The type of instance considered.

**TClass** 

The type of class considered.

The FMeasure(TInstance, TClass) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|   | Name                        | Description   |
|---|-----------------------------|---|
| = | FMeasure(TInstance, TClass) | Creates a new instance of FMeasure(TInstance, TClass) with the given recall weight. |

#### **Properties**

| Name                | Description   |
|---------------------|---|
| <u>RecallWeight</u> | Gets the weight given to recall in comparison to precision. |

#### Methods

|   | Name          | Description              |
|---|---------------|--------------------------|
| = | <u>Equals</u> | (Inherited from Object.) |

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| =0 |                    | Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition. |
|----|--------------------|--|
| 7  | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0 | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0 | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| 7  | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0 | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

## Remarks

see: https://nlp.stanford.edu/IR-book/html/htmledition/evaluation-of-clustering-1.html

## See Also

# FMeasure(TInstance, TClass) Constructor

Creates a new instance of <a href="Measure(TInstance">FMeasure(TInstance</a>, <a href="TClass">TClass</a>) with the given recall weight.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. External

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## **Syntax**

```
C#

public FMeasure(

double recallWeight
)
```

#### **View Source**

#### Parameters

recallWeight

Type: <a href="System.Double">System.Double</a>

The weight given to recall in comparison to precision.

#### See Also

FMeasure(TInstance, TClass)Class

# FMeasure(TInstance, TClass).FMeasure(TInstance, TClass) Properties

The <u>FMeasure(TInstance, TClass)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

## **Properties**

| Name                | Description   |
|---------------------|---|
| <u>RecallWeight</u> | Gets the weight given to recall in comparison to precision. |

## See Also

FMeasure(TInstance, TClass)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.External Namespace

# FMeasure(TInstance, TClass). RecallWeight Property

Gets the weight given to recall in comparison to precision.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. External

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## Syntax

#### C#

public double RecallWeight { get; }

#### **View Source**

Property Value
Type: <u>Double</u>

See Also

FMeasure(TInstance, TClass)Class

# FMeasure(TInstance, TClass).FMeasure(TInstance, TClass) Methods

The <u>FMeasure(TInstance, TClass)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

## Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>    | Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition. |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>≘</b> | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>≘</b> | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

## See Also

<u>FMeasure(TInstance, TClass)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.External Namespace</u>

## FMeasure(TInstance, TClass). Evaluate Method

Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. External

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <u>Aglomera.ClusterSet(TInstance)</u>

The clustering partition.

instanceClasses

Type: <u>System.Collections.Generic.IDictionary</u>(TInstance, TClass)

The instances' classes.

#### Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

The evaluation of the given clustering according to this criterion.

#### **Implements**

 $\underline{\mathsf{IExternalEvaluationCriterion}(\mathsf{TInstance}, \mathsf{TClass}). \mathsf{Evaluate}(\mathsf{ClusterSet}(\mathsf{TInstance}), \mathsf{TClass}). \mathsf{Evaluate}(\mathsf{ClusterSet}(\mathsf$ 

IDictionary(TInstance, TClass))

#### See Also

FMeasure(TInstance, TClass)Class

## IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass) Interface

Represents an interface for external criteria to evaluate how well the result of <a href="AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance">AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance</a>) matches the classification of instances according to a set of gold standard classes. We can think of this as supervised clustering evaluation methods, i.e., external validation methods.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. External

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### C#

public interface IExternalEvaluationCriterion<TInstance, TClass>

where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### **View Source**

#### Type Parameters

**TInstance** 

The type of instance considered.

**TClass** 

The type of class considered.

The IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass) type exposes the following members.

#### Methods

|     | Name     | Description  |  |
|-----|----------|--|--|
| ogo | Evaluate | Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition. |  |

#### Remarks

These methods are useful for when we have some known partition over the instances and want to evaluate the quality of the clustering according to that partition. It can also be used to select the most appropriate <a href="LLinkageCriterion(TInstance"><u>LLinkageCriterion(TInstance</u></a>) for a given annotated data-set.

#### See Also

# IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass).IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass) Methods

The <a href="IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance">IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance</a>, <a href="TClass">TClass</a>) generic type exposes the following members.

## Methods

|   | Name            | Description  |
|---|-----------------|--|
| = | <u>Evaluate</u> | Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition. |

#### See Also

IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass)Interface Aglomera.Evaluation.External Namespace

## IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass). Evaluate Method

Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. External

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <u>Aglomera.ClusterSet(TInstance)</u>

The clustering partition.

instanceClasses

Type: <u>System.Collections.Generic.IDictionary</u>(TInstance, TClass)

The instances' classes.

#### Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

The evaluation of the given clustering according to this criterion.

#### See Also

<u>IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass)Interface</u>

## NormalizedMutualInformation(TInstance, TClass) Class

Evaluates the given partition according to the normalized mutual information criterion that measures the amount of information by which our knowledge about the classes increases when we are told what the clusters are.

## Inheritance Hierarchy

#### System.Object

Aglomera. Evaluation. External. Normalized Mutual Information (TInstance, TClass)

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. External

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### C#

public class NormalizedMutualInformation<TInstance, TClass>: IExternalEvaluationCriterion<TInstance,</pre>

where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

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#### Type Parameters

TInstance

The type of instance considered.

**TClass** 

The type of class considered.

The NormalizedMutualInformation(TInstance, TClass) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|    | Name   | Description  |
|----|--|--|
| =0 | NormalizedMutualInformation(TInstance, TClass) | Initializes a new instance of the NormalizedMutualInformation(TInstance, TClass) class |

#### Methods

|          | Name            | Description  |
|----------|-----------------|--|
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>   | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       |                 | Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition. |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |

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| =0      | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.) |
|---------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| =0      | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.) |
| <b></b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.) |
| =0      | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.) |

#### Remarks

see: https://nlp.stanford.edu/IR-book/html/htmledition/evaluation-of-clustering-1.html

## See Also

# NormalizedMutualInformation(TInstance, TClass) Constructor

Initializes a new instance of the <a href="NormalizedMutualInformation(TInstance">NormalizedMutualInformation(TInstance</a>, <a href="TClass">TClass</a>) class

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. External

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## Syntax

C#

public NormalizedMutualInformation()

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## See Also

NormalizedMutualInformation(TInstance, TClass)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.External Namespace

# NormalizedMutualInformation(TInstance, TClass).NormalizedMutualInformation(TInstance, TClass) Methods

The NormalizedMutualInformation(TInstance, TClass) generic type exposes the following members.

#### Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>    | Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition. |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>≟</b> | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| 70       | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

#### See Also

NormalizedMutualInformation(TInstance, TClass)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.External Namespace

## NormalizedMutualInformation(TInstance, TClass). Evaluate Method

Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. External

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <a href="Aglomera.ClusterSet">Aglomera.ClusterSet</a>(TInstance)

The clustering partition.

instanceClasses

Type: <u>System.Collections.Generic.IDictionary</u>(TInstance, TClass)

The instances' classes.

#### Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

The evaluation of the given clustering according to this criterion.

#### **Implements**

<u>IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass).Evaluate(ClusterSet(TInstance), IDictionary(TInstance, TClass))</u>

#### See Also

NormalizedMutualInformation(TInstance, TClass)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.External Namespace

## Precision(TInstance, TClass) Class

Evaluates the given partition according to the precision criterion, given by the percentage of true positives over all positives.

# Inheritance Hierarchy <a href="System.Object">System.Object</a>

Aglomera. Evaluation. External. Precision (TInstance, TClass)

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. External

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

#### C#

public class Precision<TInstance, TClass>: IExternalEvaluationCriterion<TInstance, TClass>

where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### **View Source**

#### Type Parameters

TInstance

The type of instance considered.

**TClass** 

The type of class considered.

The Precision(TInstance, TClass) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|    | Name                         | Description  |
|----|------------------------------|--|
| =( | Precision(TInstance, TClass) | Initializes a new instance of the Precision(TInstance, TClass) class |

#### Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>    | Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition. |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |

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ToString (Inherited from Object.)

## Remarks

see: https://nlp.stanford.edu/IR-book/html/htmledition/evaluation-of-clustering-1.html

#### See Also

# Precision(TInstance, TClass) Constructor

Initializes a new instance of the <a href="Precision(TInstance">Precision(TInstance</a>, <a href="TClass">TClass</a>) class

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. External

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## Syntax

C#

public Precision()

**View Source** 

See Also

<u>Precision(TInstance, TClass)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.External Namespace</u>

# Precision(TInstance, TClass).Precision(TInstance, TClass) Methods

The <a href="Precision(TInstance">Precision(TInstance</a>, <a href="TClass">TClass</a>) generic type exposes the following members.

## Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>    | Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition. |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

## See Also

<u>Precision(TInstance, TClass)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.External Namespace</u>

## Precision(TInstance, TClass). Evaluate Method

Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. External

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <a href="Aglomera.ClusterSet">Aglomera.ClusterSet</a>(TInstance)

The clustering partition.

instanceClasses

Type: <u>System.Collections.Generic.IDictionary</u>(TInstance, TClass)

The instances' classes.

#### Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

The evaluation of the given clustering according to this criterion.

#### **Implements**

<u>IExternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance, TClass).Evaluate(ClusterSet(TInstance), IDictionary(TInstance, TClass))</u>

#### See Also

<u>Precision(TInstance, TClass)Class</u>

## Purity(TInstance, TClass) Class

Evaluates the given partition according to the purity criterion, where each cluster is assigned to its most frequent class, and then the accuracy of this assignment is measured by counting the number of correctly assigned instances and dividing by the total number of instances.

## Inheritance Hierarchy

#### System.Object

Aglomera. Evaluation. External. Purity (TInstance, TClass)

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. External

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### C#

public class Purity<TInstance, TClass>: IExternalEvaluationCriterion<TInstance, TClass>
where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### View Source

#### Type Parameters

**TInstance** 

The type of instance considered.

**TClass** 

The type of class considered.

The Purity(TInstance, TClass) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|     | Name                      | Description   |
|-----|---------------------------|---|
| 000 | Purity(TInstance, TClass) | Initializes a new instance of the Purity(TInstance, TClass) class |

#### Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       |                    | Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition. |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |

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| 70 | MemberwiseClone | (Inherited from Object.) |
|----|-----------------|--------------------------|
| =0 | ToString        | (Inherited from Object.) |

#### Remarks

see: https://nlp.stanford.edu/IR-book/html/htmledition/evaluation-of-clustering-1.html

#### See Also

## Purity(TInstance, TClass) Constructor

Initializes a new instance of the <a href="Purity(TInstance">Purity(TInstance</a>, <a href="TClass">TClass</a>) class

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. External

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

C#

public Purity()

**View Source** 

See Also

<u>Purity(TInstance, TClass)Class</u>

## Purity(TInstance, TClass).Purity(TInstance, TClass) Methods

The <u>Purity(TInstance, TClass)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

#### Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>    | Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition. |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| Ţ        | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

#### See Also

Purity(TInstance, TClass)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.External Namespace

## Purity(TInstance, TClass). Evaluate Method

Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. External

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <u>Aglomera.ClusterSet(TInstance)</u>

The clustering partition.

instanceClasses

Type: <u>System.Collections.Generic.IDictionary</u>(TInstance, TClass)

The instances' classes.

#### Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

The evaluation of the given clustering according to this criterion.

#### **Implements**

 $\underline{\mathsf{IExternalEvaluationCriterion}(\mathsf{TInstance}, \mathsf{TClass}). \mathsf{Evaluate}(\mathsf{ClusterSet}(\mathsf{TInstance}), \mathsf{TClass}). \mathsf{Evaluate}(\mathsf{ClusterSet}(\mathsf$ 

IDictionary(TInstance, TClass))

#### See Also

Purity(TInstance, TClass)Class

## RandIndex(TInstance, TClass) Class

Evaluates the given partition according to the Rand index, i.e., it measures the accuracy of the clustering by measuring the percentage of decisions that are correct (true positives + true negatives).

#### Inheritance Hierarchy

#### System.Object

Aglomera. Evaluation. External. RandIndex (TInstance, TClass)

Namespace: <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.External</u>

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### C#

public class RandIndex<TInstance, TClass>: IExternalEvaluationCriterion<TInstance, TClass>
where TInstance : Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### View Source

#### Type Parameters

TInstance

The type of instance considered.

**TClass** 

The type of class considered.

The RandIndex(TInstance, TClass) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|    | Name                 | Description  |
|----|----------------------|--|
| =( | RandIndex(Tinstance, | Initializes a new instance of the RandIndex(TInstance, TClass) |
|    | TClass)              | class  |

#### Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =0       | Equals             | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       |                    | Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition. |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |

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| 70 | MemberwiseClone | (Inherited from Object.) |
|----|-----------------|--------------------------|
| =0 | ToString        | (Inherited from Object.) |

#### Remarks

see: https://nlp.stanford.edu/IR-book/html/htmledition/evaluation-of-clustering-1.html

#### See Also

## RandIndex(TInstance, TClass) Constructor

Initializes a new instance of the <a href="RandIndex(TInstance">RandIndex(TInstance</a>, <a href="TClass">TClass</a>) class

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. External

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

C#

public RandIndex()

**View Source** 

See Also

RandIndex(TInstance, TClass)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.External Namespace

## RandIndex(TInstance, TClass).RandIndex(TInstance, TClass) Methods

The RandIndex(TInstance, TClass) generic type exposes the following members.

#### Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>    | Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition. |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| Ţ        | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

#### See Also

RandIndex(TInstance, TClass)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.External Namespace

## RandIndex(TInstance, TClass). Evaluate Method

Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. External

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <u>Aglomera.ClusterSet(TInstance)</u>

The clustering partition.

instanceClasses

Type: <u>System.Collections.Generic.IDictionary</u>(TInstance, TClass)

The instances' classes.

#### Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

The evaluation of the given clustering according to this criterion.

#### **Implements**

 $\underline{\mathsf{IExternalEvaluationCriterion}(\mathsf{TInstance}, \mathsf{TClass}). \mathsf{Evaluate}(\mathsf{ClusterSet}(\mathsf{TInstance}), \mathsf{TClass}). \mathsf{Evaluate}(\mathsf{ClusterSet}(\mathsf$ 

IDictionary(TInstance, TClass))

#### See Also

RandIndex(TInstance, TClass)Class

## Recall(Tinstance, TClass) Class

Evaluates the given partition according to the recall criterion, given by the percentage of true positives over all relevant cases (true positives + false negatives).

## Inheritance Hierarchy <a href="System.Object">System.Object</a>

Aglomera. Evaluation. External. Recall (TInstance, TClass)

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. External

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

#### C#

public class Recall<TInstance, TClass>: IExternalEvaluationCriterion<TInstance, TClass>
where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### **View Source**

#### Type Parameters

TInstance

The type of instance considered.

**TClass** 

The type of class considered.

The Recall(Tinstance, TClass) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|    | Name                      | Description   |
|----|---------------------------|---|
| =0 | Recall(TInstance, TClass) | Initializes a new instance of the Recall(TInstance, TClass) class |

#### Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>    | Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition. |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |

ToString (Inherited from Object.)

#### Remarks

see: https://nlp.stanford.edu/IR-book/html/htmledition/evaluation-of-clustering-1.html

#### See Also

## Recall(TInstance, TClass) Constructor

Initializes a new instance of the <a href="Recall(TInstance">Recall(TInstance</a>, TClass) class

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. External

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

C#

public Recall()

**View Source** 

See Also

Recall(TInstance, TClass)Class

## Recall(TInstance, TClass).Recall(TInstance, TClass) Methods

The Recall(TInstance, TClass) generic type exposes the following members.

#### Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>    | Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition. |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>≘</b> | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>≘</b> | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

#### See Also

Recall(TInstance, TClass)Class
Aglomera.Evaluation.External Namespace

## Recall(TInstance, TClass). Evaluate Method

Evaluates a given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to the given class partition.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. External

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <u>Aglomera.ClusterSet(TInstance)</u>

The clustering partition.

instanceClasses

Type: <u>System.Collections.Generic.IDictionary</u>(TInstance, TClass)

The instances' classes.

#### Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

The evaluation of the given clustering according to this criterion.

#### **Implements**

 $\underline{\mathsf{IExternalEvaluationCriterion}(\mathsf{TInstance}, \mathsf{TClass}). \mathsf{Evaluate}(\mathsf{ClusterSet}(\mathsf{TInstance}), \mathsf{TClass}). \mathsf{Evaluate}(\mathsf{ClusterSet}(\mathsf$ 

IDictionary(TInstance, TClass))

#### See Also

Recall(TInstance, TClass)Class

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## Classes

|          | Class                                      | Description  |
|----------|--|--|
| ***      | <u>Calinski Harabasz Index (TInstance)</u> | Implements the internal evaluation method in [1] that measures compactness and separation of clusters simultaneously. The numerator reflects the degree of separation in the way of how much the cluster centers are spread, and the denominator corresponds to compactness, to reflect how close the within-cluster objects are gathered around the cluster center.   |
| <b>*</b> | CombinedInternalCriterion(TInstance)       | Implements an internal clustering evaluation criterion as a combination (weighted average) of other <a href="InternalEvaluationCriterion">IInternalEvaluationCriterion</a> (TInstance).  |
| ***      | <u>DaviesBouldinIndex(TInstance)</u>       | Implements the internal evaluation method in [1] that measures the "ratio of the within cluster scatter to the between cluster separation" [2].  |
|          | <u>DunnIndex(TInstance)</u>                | Implements the internal evaluation method in [1] that measures the ratio between the smallest distance between observations not in the same cluster to the largest intra-cluster distance. The Dunn Index has a value between zero and infinity, and a higher index indicates a better clustering. The aim is to identify sets of clusters that are compact, with a small variance between members of the cluster, and well separated, where the means of different clusters are sufficiently far apart, as compared to the within cluster variance [2]. |
| ***      | IIndex(Tinstance)                          | Implements the I-index internal evaluation method [1] that uses the ratio of the separation and compactness of a given clustering partition scheme. To measure separation, it adopts the maximum distance between cluster centers and for compactness, the distance from an to its cluster center.   |
| ***      | ModifiedGammaStatistic(TInstance)          | Implements an internal evaluation method based on a modified/improved version of Hubert's Gamma ( $\Gamma$ ) statistic in [1] with the transformation introduced in [2] in order to be maximized.  |
| ***      | RootMeanSquareStdDev(TInstance)            | Implements an internal evaluation method measuring the root-mean-square standard deviation (RMSSD), i.e., the square root of the variance between all elements. This criterion considers only the compactness of the clustering partition.   |

| RSquared(TInstance)              | Implements an internal evaluation method measuring the complement of the ratio of the sum of squared distances between elements in different clusters to the total sum of squares. This criterion considers only the separation between the clusters given some partition scheme (ClusterSet(TInstance)).   |
|----------------------------------|---|
| SilhouetteCoefficient(TInstance) | Implements an internal evaluation method that measures how similar an element is to its own cluster (cohesion) compared to other clusters (separation). The silhouette ranges from –1 to +1, where a high value indicates that the element is well matched to its own cluster and poorly matched to neighboring clusters. If most elements (average) have a high value, then the clustering configuration is appropriate. If the average is a low or negative value, then the clustering configuration may have too many or too few clusters. |
| WithinBetweenRatio(TInstance)    | Implements the within-between ratio (WB) internal evaluation method in [1] measuring the ratio of the sum-of-squares within cluster (SSW) and sum-of-squares between clusters(SSB). The result is multiplied by the negative of the number of clusters so that maximizing the ratio in some ClusteringResult(TInstance) provides the optimal partition, i.e., the optimal ClusterSet(TInstance).  |
| XieBeniIndex(TInstance)          | Implements the internal evaluation method in [1] known as the Xie-Beni (XB) index. It defines the inter-cluster separation as the minimum square distance between cluster centers, and the intra-cluster compactness as the mean square distance between each data object and its cluster center.   |
| Xulndex(Tinstance)               | Implements the Xu-index internal evaluation method proposed in [1] measuring the compactness of clusters given some partition scheme (ClusterSet(TInstance)). The higher the negative value of the Xu-index, the better the partition in some ClusteringResult(TInstance) is.   |

## Interfaces

|              | Interface                               | Description   |
|--------------|---|---|
| s <b>~</b> € | IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance) | Represents an interface for criteria which uses the internal information resulting from a AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance) process to evaluate the goodness of a clustering structure without reference to external information. Implementations should be created so that when the criterion is maximized for a given |

|  | <u>ClusteringResult(TInstance)</u> 's partition scheme, it provides the best <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> according to that criterion. |
|--|--|
|--|--|

## CalinskiHarabaszIndex(TInstance) Class

Implements the internal evaluation method in [1] that measures compactness and separation of clusters simultaneously. The numerator reflects the degree of separation in the way of how much the cluster centers are spread, and the denominator corresponds to compactness, to reflect how close the within-cluster objects are gathered around the cluster center.

## Inheritance Hierarchy System.Object

Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal. Calinski Harabasz Index (TInstance)

Namespace: <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal</u>

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### C#

public class CalinskiHarabaszIndex<TInstance>: IInternalEvaluationCriterion<TInstance>
where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### **View Source**

#### Type Parameters

**TInstance** 

The type of instance considered.

The CalinskiHarabaszIndex(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|    | Name                             | Description   |
|----|----------------------------------|---|
| =( | CalinskiHarabaszIndex(TInstance) | Creates a new <u>DaviesBouldinIndex(TInstance)</u> with given |
|    |                                  | dissimilarity metric.   |

#### **Properties**

|       | Name | Description  |
|-------|------|--|
| <br>7 | •    | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster elements. |

#### Methods

|   | Name          | Description              |
|---|---------------|--------------------------|
| = | <u>Equals</u> | (Inherited from Object.) |

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| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>    | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion. |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>≘</b> | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>≘</b> | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

#### Remarks

References: [1] - Caliński, T., & Harabasz, J. (1974). A dendrite method for cluster analysis. Communications in Statistics-theory and Methods, 3(1), 1-27.

#### See Also

## CalinskiHarabaszIndex(TInstance) Constructor

Creates a new <u>DaviesBouldinIndex(TInstance</u>) with given dissimilarity metric.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

dissimilarityMetric

Type: <u>Aglomera.IDissimilarityMetric</u>(TInstance)

The metric used to calculate dissimilarity between cluster elements.

centroidFunc

Type: <u>Aglomera.CentroidFunction</u>(TInstance)

A function to get an element representing the centroid of a Cluster(TInstance).

#### See Also

## CalinskiHarabaszIndex(*TInstance*).CalinskiHarabaszIndex(*TInstance*) Properties

The <u>CalinskiHarabaszIndex(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

### **Properties**

| Name                       | Description  |
|----------------------------|--|
| <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance |
|                            | between cluster elements.  |

#### See Also

## CalinskiHarabaszIndex(TInstance).DissimilarityMetric Property

Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster elements.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

#### C#

public IDissimilarityMetric<TInstance> DissimilarityMetric { get; }

#### **View Source**

Property Value

Type: <a href="mailto:IDissimilarityMetric">IDissimilarityMetric</a>(TInstance)

*Implements* 

<u>IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).DissimilarityMetric</u>

#### See Also

# ${\it Calinski Harabasz Index (TInstance).} {\it Calinski Harabasz Index (TInstance)} \\ {\it Methods}$

The <u>CalinskiHarabaszIndex(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

#### Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>    | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion. |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>≟</b> | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

#### See Also

## CalinskiHarabaszIndex(TInstance). Evaluate Method

Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <a href="Aglomera.ClusterSet">Aglomera.ClusterSet</a>(TInstance)

The clustering partition.

## Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

The evaluation of the given partition according to this criterion.

#### **Implements**

IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).Evaluate(ClusterSet(TInstance))

#### See Also

## CombinedInternalCriterion(TInstance) Class

Implements an internal clustering evaluation criterion as a combination (weighted average) of other <a href="InternalEvaluationCriterion">InternalEvaluationCriterion</a> (TInstance).

#### Inheritance Hierarchy

#### System.Object

Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal. Combined Internal Criterion (TInstance)

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### C#

public class CombinedInternalCriterion<TInstance> : IInternalEvaluationCriterion<TInstance>

where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### **View Source**

#### Type Parameters

TInstance

The type of instance considered.

The CombinedInternalCriterion(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|     | Na        | ame                                 | Description   |
|-----|-----------|-------------------------------------|---|
| 980 | <u>Cc</u> | ombinedInternalCriterion(TInstance) | Creates a new CombinedInternalCriterion(TInstance)      |
|     |           |                                     | according to the given criteria and respective weights. |

#### **Properties**

|   | Name                       | Description  |
|---|----------------------------|--|
| ~ | <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance |
|   |                            | between cluster elements.  |

#### Methods

|    | Name            | Description  |
|----|-----------------|--|
| =0 | Equals          | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0 | <u>Evaluate</u> | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion. |
| 70 | <u>Finalize</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |

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| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.) |
|----------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.) |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.) |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.) |

## See Also Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal Namespace

## CombinedInternalCriterion(TInstance) Constructor

Creates a new <u>CombinedInternalCriterion(TInstance)</u> according to the given criteria and respective weights.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

## C#

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

#### criteria

Type: <u>System.Collections.Generic.IDictionary(IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance)</u>, <u>Double</u>) A dictionary containing the several criteria to be used and how should they be combined, i.e., their associated weights.

#### See Also

<u>CombinedInternalCriterion(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace</u>

# CombinedInternalCriterion(*TInstance*).CombinedInternalCriterion(*TInstance*) Properties

The <u>CombinedInternalCriterion(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

### **Properties**

| Name                       | Description  |
|----------------------------|--|
| <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance |
|                            | between cluster elements.  |

#### See Also

CombinedInternalCriterion(TInstance)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace

## CombinedInternalCriterion(TInstance).DissimilarityMetric Property

Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster elements.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

#### C#

public IDissimilarityMetric<TInstance> DissimilarityMetric { get; }

#### **View Source**

Property Value

Type: <a href="mailto:IDissimilarityMetric">IDissimilarityMetric</a>(TInstance)

**Implements** 

<u>IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).DissimilarityMetric</u>

#### See Also

<u>CombinedInternalCriterion(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace</u>

# $Combined Internal Criterion ({\it TInstance}). Combined Internal Criterion ({\it TInstance}). Methods$

The <u>CombinedInternalCriterion(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

#### Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>    | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion. |
| 7        | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| 7        | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>∉</b> | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

#### See Also

<u>CombinedInternalCriterion(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace</u>

## CombinedInternalCriterion(TInstance). Evaluate Method

Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <a href="Aglomera.ClusterSet">Aglomera.ClusterSet</a>(TInstance)

The clustering partition.

## Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

The evaluation of the given partition according to this criterion.

#### **Implements**

IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).Evaluate(ClusterSet(TInstance))

#### See Also

CombinedInternalCriterion(TInstance)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace

## DaviesBouldinIndex(TInstance) Class

Implements the internal evaluation method in [1] that measures the "ratio of the within cluster scatter to the between cluster separation" [2].

## Inheritance Hierarchy <a href="System.Object">System.Object</a>

Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal. Davies Bouldin Index (TInstance)

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### C#

public class DaviesBouldinIndex<TInstance>: IInternalEvaluationCriterion<TInstance>
where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### **View Source**

#### Type Parameters

TInstance

The type of instance considered.

The DaviesBouldinIndex(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|    | Name                          | Description  |
|----|-------------------------------|--|
| =© | DaviesBouldinIndex(TInstance) | Creates a new DaviesBouldinIndex(TInstance) with given |
|    |                               | dissimilarity metric.                                  |

#### **Properties**

|     |   | Name                       | Description  |
|-----|---|----------------------------|--|
| 100 | - | <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance |
|     |   |                            | between cluster elements.  |
| -   | 7 | <u>DistanceExponent</u>    | Gets or sets the distance exponent.  |

#### Methods

|    | Name            | Description   |
|----|-----------------|---|
| =( | <u>Equals</u>   | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =( | <u>Evaluate</u> | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance</u> ) partition according to this evaluation criterion. |

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| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.) |
|----------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.) |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.) |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.) |
|          | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.) |

#### Remarks

"It happens to be the average similarity between each cluster and its most similar one, averaged over all the clusters[...]. This affirms the idea that no cluster has to be similar to another, and hence the best clustering scheme essentially minimizes the Davies–Bouldin (BD) index" [2]. Notes: - This implementation corresponds to - BD so that a higher index provides a better partitioning. - This implementation returns double.Nan if the partition contains singleton clusters (undefined dispersion). References: [1] - Davies, D. L., & Bouldin, D. W. (1979). A cluster separation measure. IEEE transactions on pattern analysis and machine intelligence, (2), 224-227. [2] - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Davies%E2%80%93Bouldin\_index

#### See Also

## DaviesBouldinIndex(TInstance) Constructor

Creates a new <u>DaviesBouldinIndex(TInstance</u>) with given dissimilarity metric.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

dissimilarityMetric

Type: <u>Aglomera.IDissimilarityMetric</u>(TInstance)

The metric used to calculate dissimilarity between cluster elements.

centroidFunc

Type: <u>Aglomera.CentroidFunction</u>(TInstance)

A function to get an element representing the centroid of a <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u>.

#### See Also

<u>DaviesBouldinIndex(TInstance)Class</u> Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace

# DaviesBouldinIndex(*TInstance*).DaviesBouldinIndex(*TInstance*) Properties

The <u>DaviesBouldinIndex(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

### **Properties**

|   | Name             | Description  |
|---|------------------|--|
|   | _ ·              | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster elements. |
| ~ | DistanceExponent | Gets or sets the distance exponent.  |

#### See Also

<u>DaviesBouldinIndex(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace</u>

## DaviesBouldinIndex(TInstance).DissimilarityMetric Property

Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster elements.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

#### C#

public IDissimilarityMetric<TInstance> DissimilarityMetric { get; }

#### **View Source**

Property Value

Type: <a href="mailto:IDissimilarityMetric">IDissimilarityMetric</a>(TInstance)

*Implements* 

<u>IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).DissimilarityMetric</u>

#### See Also

<u>DaviesBouldinIndex(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace</u>

# DaviesBouldinIndex(TInstance).DistanceExponent Property

Gets or sets the distance exponent.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## Syntax

#### C#

public double DistanceExponent { get; set; }

**View Source** 

Property Value
Type: <u>Double</u>

See Also

<u>DaviesBouldinIndex(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace</u>

# DaviesBouldinIndex(*TInstance*).DaviesBouldinIndex(*TInstance*) Methods

The <u>DaviesBouldinIndex(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

## Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>    | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion. |
| 7        | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| 7        | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>∉</b> | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

## See Also

<u>DaviesBouldinIndex(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace</u>

# DaviesBouldinIndex(TInstance). Evaluate Method

Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <a href="Aglomera.ClusterSet">Aglomera.ClusterSet</a>(TInstance)

The clustering partition.

# Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

The evaluation of the given partition according to this criterion.

#### **Implements**

IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).Evaluate(ClusterSet(TInstance))

#### See Also

<u>DaviesBouldinIndex(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace</u>

# DunnIndex(TInstance) Class

Implements the internal evaluation method in [1] that measures the ratio between the smallest distance between observations not in the same cluster to the largest intra-cluster distance. The Dunn Index has a value between zero and infinity, and a higher index indicates a better clustering. The aim is to identify sets of clusters that are compact, with a small variance between members of the cluster, and well separated, where the means of different clusters are sufficiently far apart, as compared to the within cluster variance [2].

## Inheritance Hierarchy

#### System.Object

Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal. DunnIndex (TInstance)

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### C#

public class DunnIndex<TInstance>: IInternalEvaluationCriterion<TInstance>
where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### **View Source**

#### Type Parameters

TInstance

The type of instance considered.

The DunnIndex(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|    | Name                 | Description   |
|----|----------------------|---|
| =( | DunnIndex(TInstance) | Creates a new DunnIndex(TInstance) with given dissimilarity metric. |

#### **Properties**

|   | Name                       | Description  |
|---|----------------------------|--|
| 7 | <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance |
|   |                            | between cluster elements.  |

#### Methods

|    | Name          | Description              |
|----|---------------|--------------------------|
| =0 | <u>Equals</u> | (Inherited from Object.) |

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| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>    | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion. |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>≟</b> | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>≟</b> | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

#### Remarks

Notes: - This formulation has a peculiar problem, in that if one of the clusters is badly behaved, where the others are tightly packed, since the denominator contains a 'max' term instead of an average term, the Dunn Index for that set of clusters will be uncharacteristically low [2]. References: [1] - Dunn, J. C. (1973). A fuzzy relative of the ISODATA process and its use in detecting compact well-separated clusters. [2] - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dunn\_index

#### See Also

# DunnIndex(TInstance) Constructor

Creates a new <u>DunnIndex(TInstance</u>) with given dissimilarity metric.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

dissimilarityMetric

Type: <u>Aglomera.IDissimilarityMetric</u>(TInstance)

The metric used to calculate dissimilarity between cluster elements.

#### See Also

<u>DunnIndex(TInstance)Class</u>

# DunnIndex(TInstance).DunnIndex(TInstance) Properties

The <u>DunnIndex(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

## **Properties**

| Name                       | Description  |
|----------------------------|--|
| <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance |
|                            | between cluster elements.  |

## See Also

DunnIndex(TInstance)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace

# DunnIndex(TInstance). Dissimilarity Metric Property

Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster elements.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

## C#

public IDissimilarityMetric<TInstance> DissimilarityMetric { get; }

#### **View Source**

Property Value

Type: <a href="mailto:IDissimilarityMetric">IDissimilarityMetric</a>(TInstance)

*Implements* 

<u>IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).DissimilarityMetric</u>

#### See Also

<u>DunnIndex(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace</u>

# DunnIndex(TInstance).DunnIndex(TInstance) Methods

The <u>DunnIndex(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

## Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>    | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion. |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>≘</b> | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>≘</b> | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

## See Also

<u>DunnIndex(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace</u>

# DunnIndex(TInstance). Evaluate Method

Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <a href="Aglomera.ClusterSet">Aglomera.ClusterSet</a>(TInstance)

The clustering partition.

## Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

The evaluation of the given partition according to this criterion.

#### **Implements**

IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).Evaluate(ClusterSet(TInstance))

#### See Also

**DunnIndex(TInstance)Class** 

# IIndex(TInstance) Class

Implements the I-index internal evaluation method [1] that uses the ratio of the separation and compactness of a given clustering partition scheme. To measure separation, it adopts the maximum distance between cluster centers and for compactness, the distance from an to its cluster center.

## Inheritance Hierarchy

#### System.Object

Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal. IIndex (TInstance)

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

### C#

 $\textcolor{red}{\textbf{public class}} \ \textbf{IIndex} < \textbf{TInstance} > : \textbf{IInternalEvaluationCriterion} < \textbf{TInstance} > : \textbf{TInstance} > :$ 

where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### View Source

#### Type Parameters

TInstance

The type of instance considered.

The IIndex(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|    | Name              | Description  |
|----|-------------------|--|
| =( | IIndex(TInstance) | Creates a new IIndex(TInstance) with given dissimilarity metric. |

## **Properties**

|   | Name                       | Description  |
|---|----------------------------|--|
| ~ | <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance |
|   |                            | between cluster elements.  |

#### Methods

|    | Name            | Description  |
|----|-----------------|--|
| =0 | <u>Equals</u>   | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0 |                 | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion. |
| Ţ  | <u>Finalize</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |

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| =        | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.) |
|----------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| =        | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.) |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.) |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.) |

### Remarks

References: [1] - Maulik, U., & Bandyopadhyay, S. (2002). Performance evaluation of some clustering algorithms and validity indices. IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence, 24(12), 1650-1654.

#### See Also

# IIndex(TInstance) Constructor

Creates a new <u>IIndex(TInstance)</u> with given dissimilarity metric.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

dissimilarityMetric

Type: <u>Aglomera.IDissimilarityMetric</u>(TInstance)

The metric used to calculate dissimilarity between cluster elements.

centroidFunc

Type: <u>Aglomera.CentroidFunction</u>(TInstance)

A function to get an element representing the centroid of a Cluster(TInstance).

#### See Also

IIndex(TInstance)Class

# IIndex(TInstance).IIndex(TInstance) Properties

The <a href="Index(TInstance">IIndex(TInstance</a>) generic type exposes the following members.

## **Properties**

|   |   | Name                       | Description  |
|---|---|----------------------------|--|
| 3 | 7 | <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance |
|   |   |                            | between cluster elements.  |

## See Also

<u>IIndex(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace</u>

# IIndex(TInstance). Dissimilarity Metric Property

Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster elements.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

### C#

public IDissimilarityMetric<TInstance> DissimilarityMetric { get; }

#### **View Source**

Property Value

Type: <a href="mailto:IDissimilarityMetric">IDissimilarityMetric</a>(TInstance)

*Implements* 

<u>IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).DissimilarityMetric</u>

See Also

<u>IIndex(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace</u>

# IIndex(TInstance).IIndex(TInstance) Methods

The <a href="Index(TInstance">IIndex(TInstance</a>) generic type exposes the following members.

## Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>    | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion. |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>≘</b> | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>≘</b> | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

## See Also

IIndex(TInstance)Class

# IIndex(TInstance). Evaluate Method

Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <a href="Aglomera.ClusterSet">Aglomera.ClusterSet</a>(TInstance)

The clustering partition.

# Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

The evaluation of the given partition according to this criterion.

#### **Implements**

IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).Evaluate(ClusterSet(TInstance))

#### See Also

IIndex(TInstance)Class

## IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance) Interface

Represents an interface for criteria which uses the internal information resulting from a <a href="AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance">AgglomerativeClusteringAlgorithm(TInstance</a>) process to evaluate the goodness of a clustering structure without reference to external information. Implementations should be created so that when the criterion is <a href="maximized">maximized</a> for a given <a href="ClusteringResult(TInstance">ClusteringResult(TInstance</a>)'s partition scheme, it provides the best <a href="ClusterSet(TInstance">ClusterSet(TInstance</a>) according to that criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### C#

public interface IInternalEvaluationCriterion<TInstance>
where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### **View Source**

#### Type Parameters

TInstance

The type of instance considered.

The IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

#### **Properties**

| Name Description          |                     | Description  |
|---------------------------|---------------------|--|
| ==                        | DissimilarityMetric | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance |
| between cluster elements. |                     | between cluster elements.  |

#### Methods

| Name Description  |  | Description   |
|---|--|---|
| <u>Evaluate</u> Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to |  | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation |
|   |  | criterion.  |

#### Remarks

These methods are useful for estimating the number of clusters to group data after executing the clustering algorithm without any external data.

#### See Also

# IInternalEvaluationCriterion(*TInstance*).IInternalEvaluationCriterion(*TInstance*) Properties

The <u>IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance</u>) generic type exposes the following members.

## **Properties**

|  | Name Description |                     | Description  |
|--|------------------|---------------------|--|
| DissimilarityMetric Gets the metric used by this control between cluster elements. |                  | DissimilarityMetric | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance |
|  |                  |                     | between cluster elements.  |

## See Also

IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance)Interface Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace

# IInternalEvaluationCriterion(*TInstance*).DissimilarityMetric Property

Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster elements.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

### C#

IDissimilarityMetric<TInstance> DissimilarityMetric { get; }

#### **View Source**

Property Value

Type: <a href="mailto:IDissimilarityMetric">IDissimilarityMetric</a>(TInstance)

See Also

IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance)Interface Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace

# IInternalEvaluationCriterion(*TInstance*).IInternalEvaluationCriterion(*TInstance*) Methods

The <u>IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance</u>) generic type exposes the following members.

#### Methods

|   |   | Name            | Description   |
|---|---|-----------------|---|
| - | • | <u>Evaluate</u> | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation |
|   |   |                 | criterion.  |

#### See Also

IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance)Interface Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace

# IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).Evaluate Method

Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <a href="Aglomera.ClusterSet">Aglomera.ClusterSet</a>(TInstance)

The clustering partition.

## Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

The evaluation of the given partition according to this criterion.

#### See Also

 $\underline{IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance)Interface}$ 

# ModifiedGammaStatistic(TInstance) Class

Implements an internal evaluation method based on a modified/improved version of Hubert's Gamma ( $\Gamma$ ) statistic in [1] with the transformation introduced in [2] in order to be maximized.

# Inheritance Hierarchy <a href="System.Object">System.Object</a>

Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal. Modified Gamma Statistic (TInstance)

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

### **Syntax**

#### C#

public class ModifiedGammaStatistic<TInstance>: IInternalEvaluationCriterion<TInstance>
where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### **View Source**

#### Type Parameters

TInstance

The type of instance considered.

The ModifiedGammaStatistic(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|    | Name                              | Description  |
|----|-----------------------------------|--|
| =@ | ModifiedGammaStatistic(TInstance) | Creates a new ModifiedGammaStatistic(TInstance) with |
|    |                                   | given dissimilarity metric.                          |

## **Properties**

|   | Name                       | Description  |
|---|----------------------------|--|
| - | <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance |
|   |                            | between cluster elements.  |

#### Methods

|          | Name            | Description  |
|----------|-----------------|--|
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>   | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       |                 | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion. |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |

| =0                                       | <u>GetHashCode</u>               | (Inherited from Object.) |
|--|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| =0                                       | GetType (Inherited from Object.) |                          |
| MemberwiseClone (Inherited from Object.) |                                  | (Inherited from Object.) |
| =0                                       | ToString                         | (Inherited from Object.) |

#### Remarks

Notes: - "The improved Hubert  $\Gamma$  statistic describes the degree of a partition fitting the data set. [...] The partition number fitting data set may be discovered from the plot of  $\Gamma$  versus n, however, it is difficult to find the inflexion from the plot and it is possible that the partition number obtained is just close to the best solution, but not that we want. So, it is not feasible in practice to determine the optimal partition by the plot of  $\Gamma$  versus n directly. [...] In the plot of [transformed  $\Gamma$ ] versus [number of clusters c],  $\Gamma$  goes to zero with c close to n, and a max peak value that corresponds to a significant increase of c can be found. The number of clusters at which the peak value occurs is equal to the number of clusters fitting the data." [2] References: [1] - Hubert, L., & Arabie, P. (1985). Comparing partitions. Journal of classification, 2(1), 193-218. [2] - Zhao, H., Liang, J., & Hu, H. (2006, August). Clustering Validity Based on the Improved Hubert\Gamma Statistic and the Separation of Clusters. In First International Conference on Innovative Computing, Information and Control, 2006. ICICIC'06. (Vol. 2, pp. 539-543). IEEE.

# ModifiedGammaStatistic(TInstance) Constructor

Creates a new ModifiedGammaStatistic(TInstance) with given dissimilarity metric.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

dissimilarityMetric

Type: <u>Aglomera.IDissimilarityMetric</u>(TInstance)

The metric used to calculate dissimilarity between cluster elements.

centroidFunc

Type: <u>Aglomera.CentroidFunction</u>(TInstance)

A function to get an element representing the centroid of a <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u>.

#### See Also

<u>ModifiedGammaStatistic(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace</u>

# ModifiedGammaStatistic(TInstance).ModifiedGammaStatistic(TInstance) Properties

The ModifiedGammaStatistic(TInstance) generic type exposes the following members.

## **Properties**

|   | Name                       | Description  |
|---|----------------------------|--|
| - | <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance |
|   |                            | between cluster elements.  |

## See Also

ModifiedGammaStatistic(TInstance)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace

# ModifiedGammaStatistic(TInstance).DissimilarityMetric Property

Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster elements.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

### C#

public IDissimilarityMetric<TInstance> DissimilarityMetric { get; }

#### **View Source**

**Property Value** 

Type: <a href="mailto:IDissimilarityMetric">IDissimilarityMetric</a>(TInstance)

**Implements** 

<u>IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).DissimilarityMetric</u>

#### See Also

ModifiedGammaStatistic(TInstance)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace

# $Modified Gamma Statistic (TInstance). Modified Gamma Statistic (TInstance) \\ Methods$

The ModifiedGammaStatistic(TInstance) generic type exposes the following members.

## Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>    | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion. |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>≘</b> | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>≘</b> | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

## See Also

<u>ModifiedGammaStatistic(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace</u>

## ModifiedGammaStatistic(TInstance).Evaluate Method

Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <a href="Aglomera.ClusterSet">Aglomera.ClusterSet</a>(TInstance)

The clustering partition.

#### Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

The evaluation of the given partition according to this criterion.

#### **Implements**

IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).Evaluate(ClusterSet(TInstance))

#### See Also

<u>ModifiedGammaStatistic(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace</u>

# RootMeanSquareStdDev(TInstance) Class

Implements an internal evaluation method measuring the root-mean-square standard deviation (RMSSD), i.e., the square root of the variance between all elements. This criterion considers only the compactness of the clustering partition.

## Inheritance Hierarchy

#### System.Object

Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal. Root Mean Square Std Dev (TInstance)

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### C#

public class RootMeanSquareStdDev<TInstance>: IInternalEvaluationCriterion<TInstance>
where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### View Source

#### Type Parameters

TInstance

The type of instance considered.

The RootMeanSquareStdDev(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|    | Name                            | Description  |
|----|---------------------------------|--|
| =₩ | RootMeanSquareStdDev(TInstance) | Creates a new RootMeanSquareStdDev(TInstance) with |
|    |                                 | given dissimilarity metric.                        |

#### **Properties**

| Name                | Description  |
|---------------------|--|
| DissimilarityMetric | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance |
|                     | between cluster elements.  |

#### Methods

|   | Name            | Description  |
|---|-----------------|--|
| = | <u>Equals</u>   | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| = | <u>Evaluate</u> | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion. |

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| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.) |
|----------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>≟</b> | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.) |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.) |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.) |
|          | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.) |

## Remarks

In order to select the optimal partition / <u>ClusterSet(TInstance</u>) using this criterion given some <u>ClusteringResult(TInstance</u>) one has to find the 'knee' in the plot of the criterion value vs. the number of clusters.

#### See Also

# RootMeanSquareStdDev(TInstance) Constructor

Creates a new RootMeanSquareStdDev(TInstance) with given dissimilarity metric.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

dissimilarityMetric

Type: <u>Aglomera.IDissimilarityMetric</u>(TInstance)

The metric used to calculate dissimilarity between cluster elements.

centroidFunc

Type: <u>Aglomera.CentroidFunction</u>(TInstance)

A function to get an element representing the centroid of a Cluster(TInstance).

#### See Also

# RootMeanSquareStdDev(TInstance).RootMeanSquareStdDev(TInstance) Properties

The <a href="RootMeanSquareStdDev(TInstance">RootMeanSquareStdDev(TInstance</a>) generic type exposes the following members.

## **Properties**

| Name                | Description  |
|---------------------|--|
| DissimilarityMetric | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance |
|                     | between cluster elements.  |

## See Also

# RootMeanSquareStdDev(TInstance).DissimilarityMetric Property

Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster elements.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

### C#

public IDissimilarityMetric<TInstance> DissimilarityMetric { get; }

#### **View Source**

Property Value

Type: <a href="mailto:IDissimilarityMetric">IDissimilarityMetric</a>(TInstance)

**Implements** 

<u>IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).DissimilarityMetric</u>

#### See Also

# RootMeanSquareStdDev(TInstance).RootMeanSquareStdDev(TInstance) Methods

The RootMeanSquareStdDev(TInstance) generic type exposes the following members.

## Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>    | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion. |
| 7        | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

## See Also

## RootMeanSquareStdDev(TInstance).Evaluate Method

Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <a href="Aglomera.ClusterSet">Aglomera.ClusterSet</a>(TInstance)

The clustering partition.

## Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

The evaluation of the given partition according to this criterion.

#### **Implements**

IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).Evaluate(ClusterSet(TInstance))

#### See Also

# RSquared(TInstance) Class

Implements an internal evaluation method measuring the complement of the ratio of the sum of squared distances between elements in different clusters to the total sum of squares. This criterion considers only the separation between the clusters given some partition scheme (ClusterSet(TInstance)).

# Inheritance Hierarchy System.Object

Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal.RSquared(TInstance)

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### C#

public class RSquared<TInstance>: IInternalEvaluationCriterion<TInstance>
where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### **View Source**

#### Type Parameters

Tinstance

The type of instance considered.

The RSquared(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|   | Name                | Description  |
|---|---------------------|--|
| 9 | RSquared(TInstance) | Creates a new RSquared(TInstance) with given dissimilarity metric. |

## **Properties**

|   | Name                | Description  |
|---|---------------------|--|
| - | DissimilarityMetric | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance |
|   |                     | between cluster elements.  |

#### Methods

|    | Name          | Description  |
|----|---------------|--|
| =  | <u>Equals</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =( | Evaluate      | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion. |

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| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.) |
|----------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.) |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.) |
| <b>~</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.) |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.) |

## Remarks

In order to select the optimal partition / <u>ClusterSet(TInstance</u>) using this criterion given some <u>ClusteringResult(TInstance</u>) one has to find the 'knee' in the plot of the criterion value vs. the number of clusters.

#### See Also

# RSquared(TInstance) Constructor

Creates a new <a href="RSquared(TInstance">RSquared(TInstance)</a> with given dissimilarity metric.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

dissimilarityMetric

Type: <u>Aglomera.IDissimilarityMetric</u>(TInstance)

The metric used to calculate dissimilarity between cluster elements.

centroidFunc

Type: <u>Aglomera.CentroidFunction</u>(TInstance)

A function to get an element representing the centroid of a Cluster(TInstance).

#### See Also

RSquared(TInstance)Class

# RSquared(TInstance).RSquared(TInstance) Properties

The <a href="RSquared(TInstance">RSquared(TInstance)</a> generic type exposes the following members.

## **Properties**

| Name                       | Description  |
|----------------------------|--|
| <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance |
|                            | between cluster elements.  |

## See Also

RSquared(TInstance)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace

# RSquared(TInstance). Dissimilarity Metric Property

Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster elements.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

#### C#

public IDissimilarityMetric<TInstance> DissimilarityMetric { get; }

#### **View Source**

**Property Value** 

Type: <a href="mailto:IDissimilarityMetric">IDissimilarityMetric</a>(TInstance)

*Implements* 

<u>IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).DissimilarityMetric</u>

See Also

RSquared(TInstance)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace

# RSquared(TInstance).RSquared(TInstance) Methods

The <a href="RSquared(TInstance">RSquared(TInstance)</a> generic type exposes the following members.

## Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =        | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>    | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion. |
| <b></b>  | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =        | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>~</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

## See Also

RSquared(TInstance)Class

# RSquared(TInstance). Evaluate Method

Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <a href="Aglomera.ClusterSet">Aglomera.ClusterSet</a>(TInstance)

The clustering partition.

# Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

The evaluation of the given partition according to this criterion.

#### **Implements**

IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).Evaluate(ClusterSet(TInstance))

#### See Also

RSquared(TInstance)Class

## SilhouetteCoefficient(TInstance) Class

Implements an internal evaluation method that measures how similar an element is to its own cluster (cohesion) compared to other clusters (separation). The silhouette ranges from –1 to +1, where a high value indicates that the element is well matched to its own cluster and poorly matched to neighboring clusters. If most elements (average) have a high value, then the clustering configuration is appropriate. If the average is a low or negative value, then the clustering configuration may have too many or too few clusters.

## Inheritance Hierarchy

#### System.Object

Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal. Silhouette Coefficient (TInstance)

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### C#

public class SilhouetteCoefficient<TInstance> : IInternalEvaluationCriterion<TInstance>
where TInstance : Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### View Source

#### Type Parameters

TInstance

The type of instance considered.

The SilhouetteCoefficient(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|    | Name                             | Description   |
|----|----------------------------------|---|
| =0 | SilhouetteCoefficient(TInstance) | Creates a new SilhouetteCoefficient(TInstance) with given dissimilarity metric. |

### **Properties**

|   | Name                       | Description  |
|---|----------------------------|--|
| ~ | <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance |
|   |                            | between cluster elements.  |

#### Methods

|    | Name          | Description              |
|----|---------------|--------------------------|
| =0 | <u>Equals</u> | (Inherited from Object.) |

| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>     | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion.                             |
|----------|---------------------|--|
| =0       | <u>EvaluateEach</u> | Calculates the silhouette coefficient for each element in the given <a href="ClusterSet(TInstance">ClusterSet(TInstance</a> ). |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u>  | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | ToString            | (Inherited from Object.)   |

#### Remarks

Assumptions in [2]: - "Note that the construction [...] depends on the availability of other clusters apart from A, so we have to assume [...] that the number of clusters k is more than one." - "When cluster A contains only a single object it is unclear how u(i) should be defined, and then we simply set s(i) equal to zero. This choice is of course arbitrary, but a value of zero appears to be most neutral." Therefore, Silhouette coefficient punishes outliers and noise, so in the presence of such data we should avoid it. References: [1] - <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Silhouette\_(clustering)">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Silhouette\_(clustering)</a> [2] - Rousseeuw, P. J. (1987). Silhouettes: a graphical aid to the interpretation and validation of cluster analysis. Journal of computational and applied mathematics, 20, 53-65.

#### See Also

# SilhouetteCoefficient(TInstance) Constructor

Creates a new SilhouetteCoefficient(TInstance) with given dissimilarity metric.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

dissimilarityMetric

Type: <u>Aglomera.IDissimilarityMetric</u>(TInstance)

The metric used to calculate dissimilarity between cluster elements.

#### See Also

<u>SilhouetteCoefficient(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace</u>

# SilhouetteCoefficient(*TInstance*). SilhouetteCoefficient(*TInstance*) Properties

The <u>SilhouetteCoefficient(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

## **Properties**

|   |   | Name                | Description  |
|---|---|---------------------|--|
| - | - | DissimilarityMetric | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance |
|   |   |                     | between cluster elements.  |

## See Also

SilhouetteCoefficient(TInstance)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace

# SilhouetteCoefficient(TInstance).DissimilarityMetric Property

Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster elements.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

#### C#

public IDissimilarityMetric<TInstance> DissimilarityMetric { get; }

#### **View Source**

Property Value

Type: <a href="mailto:IDissimilarityMetric">IDissimilarityMetric</a>(TInstance)

*Implements* 

<u>IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).DissimilarityMetric</u>

#### See Also

SilhouetteCoefficient(TInstance)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace

# $Silhouette Coefficient ({\it TInstance}). Silhouette Coefficient ({\it TInstance}) \\ Methods$

The <u>SilhouetteCoefficient(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

## Methods

|          | Name                | Description  |
|----------|---------------------|--|
| <b>≘</b> | <u>Equals</u>       | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>     | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion.                             |
| =0       | <u>EvaluateEach</u> | Calculates the silhouette coefficient for each element in the given <a href="ClusterSet(TInstance">ClusterSet(TInstance</a> ). |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u>  | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | ToString            | (Inherited from Object.)   |

## See Also

SilhouetteCoefficient(TInstance)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace

# SilhouetteCoefficient(TInstance). Evaluate Method

Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <a href="Aglomera.ClusterSet">Aglomera.ClusterSet</a>(TInstance)

The clustering partition.

## Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

The evaluation of the given partition according to this criterion.

#### **Implements**

IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).Evaluate(ClusterSet(TInstance))

#### See Also

<u>SilhouetteCoefficient(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace</u>

# SilhouetteCoefficient(TInstance).EvaluateEach Method

Calculates the silhouette coefficient for each element in the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u>.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <a href="Aglomera.ClusterSet">Aglomera.ClusterSet</a>(TInstance)

The clustering partition.

#### Return Value

Type: <a href="IDictionary">IDictionary</a>(TInstance, <a href="Double">Double</a>)

A dictionary containing the silhouette coefficient for each element in the given partition.

#### See Also

<u>SilhouetteCoefficient(TInstance)Class</u> Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace

# WithinBetweenRatio(TInstance) Class

Implements the within-between ratio (WB) internal evaluation method in [1] measuring the ratio of the sum-of-squares within cluster (SSW) and sum-of-squares between clusters(SSB). The result is multiplied by the negative of the number of clusters so that maximizing the ratio in some <a href="ClusteringResult(TInstance">ClusteringResult(TInstance)</a>) provides the optimal partition, i.e., the optimal <a href="ClusterSet(TInstance">ClusterSet(TInstance)</a>).

## Inheritance Hierarchy

#### System.Object

Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal. Within Between Ratio (TInstance)

Namespace: <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal</u>

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### C#

public class WithinBetweenRatio<TInstance>: IInternalEvaluationCriterion<TInstance>
where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### **View Source**

#### Type Parameters

#### **TInstance**

The type of instance considered.

The WithinBetweenRatio(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|   | Name                          | Description  |
|---|-------------------------------|--|
| = | WithinBetweenRatio(TInstance) | Creates a new WithinBetweenRatio(TInstance) with given |
|   |                               | dissimilarity metric.                                  |

#### **Properties**

|       | Name | Description  |
|-------|------|--|
| <br>7 | •    | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster elements. |

#### Methods

|    | Name          | Description              |
|----|---------------|--------------------------|
| =( | <u>Equals</u> | (Inherited from Object.) |

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| =0       |                    | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion. |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

#### Remarks

Notes: - In the original formulation in [1] the value was minimized, hence this implementation returns the negative WB ratio. References: [1] - Zhao, Q., Xu, M., & Fränti, P. (2009, April). Sum-of-Squares Based Cluster Validity Index and Significance Analysis. In ICANNGA (Vol. 5495, pp. 313-322).

## See Also

# WithinBetweenRatio(TInstance) Constructor

Creates a new WithinBetweenRatio(TInstance) with given dissimilarity metric.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

dissimilarityMetric

Type: <u>Aglomera.IDissimilarityMetric</u>(TInstance)

The metric used to calculate dissimilarity between cluster elements.

centroidFunc

Type: <u>Aglomera.CentroidFunction</u>(TInstance)

A function to get an element representing the centroid of a Cluster(TInstance).

#### See Also

<u>WithinBetweenRatio(TInstance)Class</u> Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace

# WithinBetweenRatio(*TInstance*). WithinBetweenRatio(*TInstance*) Properties

The  $\underline{\text{WithinBetweenRatio}(\text{TInstance})}$  generic type exposes the following members.

## **Properties**

|   |   | Name                | Description  |
|---|---|---------------------|--|
| - | - | DissimilarityMetric | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance |
|   |   |                     | between cluster elements.  |

## See Also

WithinBetweenRatio(TInstance)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace

# WithinBetweenRatio(TInstance).DissimilarityMetric Property

Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster elements.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

#### C#

public IDissimilarityMetric<TInstance> DissimilarityMetric { get; }

#### **View Source**

Property Value

Type: <a href="mailto:IDissimilarityMetric">IDissimilarityMetric</a>(TInstance)

*Implements* 

<u>IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).DissimilarityMetric</u>

#### See Also

WithinBetweenRatio(TInstance)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace

# $Within Between Ratio (TInstance). Within Between Ratio (TInstance)\\ Methods$

The WithinBetweenRatio(TInstance) generic type exposes the following members.

## Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =        | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>    | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion. |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =₩       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =        | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

## See Also

<u>WithinBetweenRatio(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace</u>

# WithinBetweenRatio(TInstance). Evaluate Method

Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <a href="Aglomera.ClusterSet">Aglomera.ClusterSet</a>(TInstance)

The clustering partition.

## Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

The evaluation of the given partition according to this criterion.

#### **Implements**

IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).Evaluate(ClusterSet(TInstance))

#### See Also

WithinBetweenRatio(TInstance)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace

# XieBeniIndex(TInstance) Class

Implements the internal evaluation method in [1] known as the Xie-Beni (XB) index. It defines the inter-cluster separation as the minimum square distance between cluster centers, and the intra-cluster compactness as the mean square distance between each data object and its cluster center.

## Inheritance Hierarchy

#### System.Object

Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal. Xie BeniIndex (TInstance)

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### C#

public class XieBeniIndex<TInstance>: IInternalEvaluationCriterion<TInstance>
where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### **View Source**

#### Type Parameters

**TInstance** 

The type of instance considered.

The XieBeniIndex(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|    | Name                    | Description  |
|----|-------------------------|--|
| =( | XieBeniIndex(TInstance) | Creates a new XieBeniIndex(TInstance) with given dissimilarity metric. |

## **Properties**

|   | Name                       | Description  |
|---|----------------------------|--|
| ~ | <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance |
|   |                            | between cluster elements.  |

#### Methods

|    | Name            | Description  |
|----|-----------------|--|
| =0 | <u>Equals</u>   | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0 |                 | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion. |
| Ţ  | <u>Finalize</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |

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| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.) |
|----------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.) |
| <b>~</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.) |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.) |

#### Remarks

Notes: - The formulation in [1] has a form of (Compactness) / (Separation) and therefore reaches the optimum clustering by being minimized. This implementation thus corresponds to - XB. References: [1] - Xie, X. L., & Beni, G. (1991). A validity measure for fuzzy clustering. IEEE Transactions on pattern analysis and machine intelligence, 13(8), 841-847.

#### See Also

# XieBeniIndex(TInstance) Constructor

Creates a new XieBeniIndex(TInstance) with given dissimilarity metric.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

dissimilarityMetric

Type: <u>Aglomera.IDissimilarityMetric</u>(TInstance)

The metric used to calculate dissimilarity between cluster elements.

centroidFunc

Type: <u>Aglomera.CentroidFunction</u>(TInstance)

A function to get an element representing the centroid of a <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u>.

#### See Also

XieBeniIndex(TInstance)Class

# XieBeniIndex(TInstance).XieBeniIndex(TInstance) Properties

The XieBeniIndex(TInstance) generic type exposes the following members.

## **Properties**

|   |   | Name                       | Description  |
|---|---|----------------------------|--|
| 2 | ~ | <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance |
|   |   |                            | between cluster elements.  |

## See Also

XieBeniIndex(TInstance)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace

# XieBeniIndex(TInstance).DissimilarityMetric Property

Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster elements.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

#### C#

public IDissimilarityMetric<TInstance> DissimilarityMetric { get; }

#### **View Source**

Property Value

Type: <a href="mailto:IDissimilarityMetric">IDissimilarityMetric</a>(TInstance)

*Implements* 

<u>IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).DissimilarityMetric</u>

#### See Also

XieBeniIndex(TInstance)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace

# XieBeniIndex(TInstance).XieBeniIndex(TInstance) Methods

The XieBeniIndex(TInstance) generic type exposes the following members.

## Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =        | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>    | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion. |
| <b></b>  | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =        | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>~</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

## See Also

XieBeniIndex(TInstance)Class

# XieBeniIndex(TInstance). Evaluate Method

Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <a href="Aglomera.ClusterSet">Aglomera.ClusterSet</a>(TInstance)

The clustering partition.

# Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

The evaluation of the given partition according to this criterion.

#### **Implements**

IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).Evaluate(ClusterSet(TInstance))

#### See Also

XieBeniIndex(TInstance)Class

# XuIndex(TInstance) Class

Implements the Xu-index internal evaluation method proposed in [1] measuring the compactness of clusters given some partition scheme (<u>ClusterSet(TInstance</u>)). The higher the negative value of the Xu-index, the better the partition in some <u>ClusteringResult(TInstance</u>) is.

## Inheritance Hierarchy

#### System.Object

Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal. XuIndex (TInstance)

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

### **Syntax**

#### C#

public class XuIndex<TInstance>: IInternalEvaluationCriterion<TInstance>

where TInstance : Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### View Source

#### Type Parameters

**TInstance** 

The type of instance considered.

The XuIndex(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|    | Name               | Description   |
|----|--------------------|---|
| =( | XuIndex(TInstance) | Creates a new XuIndex(TInstance) with given dissimilarity metric. |

## **Properties**

|   | Name                       | Description  |
|---|----------------------------|--|
| 7 | <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance |
|   |                            | between cluster elements.  |

#### Methods

|          | Name            | Description  |
|----------|-----------------|--|
| =₩       | <u>Equals</u>   | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>≘</b> | <u>Evaluate</u> | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion. |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |

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| =        | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.) |
|----------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| =        | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.) |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.) |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.) |

#### Remarks

Notes: - In the original formulation in [1] the value was minimized, hence this implementation returns the negative Xu-index ratio. References: [1] - Xu, L. (1997). Bayesian Ying—Yang machine, clustering and number of clusters. Pattern Recognition Letters, 18(11), 1167-1178.

#### See Also

# XuIndex(TInstance) Constructor

Creates a new <u>XuIndex(TInstance)</u> with given dissimilarity metric.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

dissimilarity Metric

Type: <u>Aglomera.IDissimilarityMetric</u>(TInstance)

The metric used to calculate dissimilarity between cluster elements.

centroidFunc

Type: <u>Aglomera.CentroidFunction</u>(TInstance)

A function to get an element representing the centroid of a <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u>.

#### See Also

XuIndex(TInstance)Class

# XuIndex(TInstance).XuIndex(TInstance) Properties

The Xulndex(Tinstance) generic type exposes the following members.

## **Properties**

| Name                    | Description  |
|-------------------------|--|
| <br>DissimilarityMetric | Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance |
|                         | between cluster elements.  |

## See Also

XuIndex(TInstance)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace

# XuIndex(TInstance). Dissimilarity Metric Property

Gets the metric used by this criterion to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster elements.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

#### C#

public IDissimilarityMetric<TInstance> DissimilarityMetric { get; }

#### **View Source**

Property Value

Type: <a href="mailto:IDissimilarityMetric">IDissimilarityMetric</a>(TInstance)

*Implements* 

<u>IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).DissimilarityMetric</u>

See Also

XuIndex(TInstance)Class Aglomera.Evaluation.Internal Namespace

# XuIndex(TInstance).XuIndex(TInstance) Methods

The <u>XuIndex(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

## Methods

|          | Name               | Description  |
|----------|--------------------|--|
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>Evaluate</u>    | Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion. |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>≘</b> | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)   |
| <b>≘</b> | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)   |

## See Also

XuIndex(TInstance)Class

# XuIndex(TInstance). Evaluate Method

Evaluates the given <u>ClusterSet(TInstance)</u> partition according to this evaluation criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera. Evaluation. Internal

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

clusterSet

Type: <a href="Aglomera.ClusterSet">Aglomera.ClusterSet</a>(TInstance)

The clustering partition.

# Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

The evaluation of the given partition according to this criterion.

#### **Implements**

IInternalEvaluationCriterion(TInstance).Evaluate(ClusterSet(TInstance))

#### See Also

XuIndex(TInstance)Class

# Aglomera.Linkage Namespace

# Classes

|   | Class                                  | Description   |
|---|--|---|
| ***                                     | <u>AverageLinkage(TInstance)</u>       | Implements the unweighted pair-group average method or UPGMA, i.e., returns the mean distance between the elements in each cluster.   |
| ***                                     | <u>CentroidLinkage(TInstance)</u>      | Implements the centroid linkage clustering method, i.e., returns the distance between the centroid for each cluster (a mean vector).  |
| ****                                    | CompleteLinkage(TInstance)             | Implements the maximum or complete-linkage clustering method, i.e., returning the maximum value of all pairwise distances between the elements in each cluster. The method is also known as farthest neighbor clustering. |
| ***                                     | MinimumEnergyLinkage(TInstance)        | Implements the minimum (energy) E-distance method that minimizes a joint between-within measure of distance between clusters.   |
| *************************************** | SingleLinkage(TInstance)               | Implements the minimum or single-linkage clustering method, i.e., returns the minimum value of all pairwise distances between the elements in each cluster. The method is also known as nearest neighbor clustering.      |
| ****                                    | WardsMinimumVarianceLinkage(TInstance) | Implements Ward's minimum variance method, i.e., returns the total within-cluster variance, corresponding to a weighted squared distance between cluster centers.   |

# Interfaces

| ILinkageCriterion(TInstance) An interface for agglomeration (lin | • ,                       |
|--|---------------------------|
| distance between clusters to be use clustering.                  | ised during agglomerative |

# AverageLinkage(TInstance) Class

Implements the unweighted pair-group average method or UPGMA, i.e., returns the mean distance between the elements in each cluster.

# Inheritance Hierarchy <a href="System.Object">System.Object</a>

Aglomera.Linkage.AverageLinkage(TInstance)

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

# Syntax

## C#

public class AverageLinkage<TInstance>: ILinkageCriterion<TInstance>

where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### **View Source**

## Type Parameters

TInstance

The type of instance considered.

The AverageLinkage(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

# Constructors

|   |            | Name                      | Description  |
|---|------------|---------------------------|--|
| 9 | ≣ <b>©</b> | AverageLinkage(TInstance) | Creates a new AverageLinkage(TInstance) with given dissimilarity metric. |

# **Properties**

|  | Name                       | Description  |
|--|----------------------------|--|
|  | <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster |
|  |                            | elements according to this linkage criterion.                                |

## Methods

|    | Name            | Description   |
|----|-----------------|---|
| =0 |                 | Calculates the distance / dissimilarity between the two given clusters according to this linkage criterion. |
| =0 | <u>Equals</u>   | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| 70 | <u>Finalize</u> | (Inherited from Object.)  |

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| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.) |
|----------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| =        | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.) |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.) |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.) |

## Remarks

Average linkage tries to strike a balance between <u>SingleLinkage(TInstance)</u> and <u>CompleteLinkage(TInstance)</u>. It uses average pairwise dissimilarity, so clusters tend to be relatively compact and relatively far apart. However, it is not clear what properties the resulting clusters have when we cut an average linkage tree at given distance. Single and complete linkage trees each had simple interpretations [1]. References: [1] -

http://www.stat.cmu.edu/~ryantibs/datamining/lectures/05-clus2-marked.pdf.

## See Also

Aglomera.Linkage Namespace

# AverageLinkage(TInstance) Constructor

Creates a new <u>AverageLinkage(TInstance)</u> with given dissimilarity metric.

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

# **Syntax**

## **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

metric

Type: <u>Aglomera.IDissimilarityMetric</u>(TInstance)

The metric used to calculate dissimilarity between cluster elements.

## See Also

# AverageLinkage(TInstance). AverageLinkage(TInstance) Properties

The <u>AverageLinkage(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

# **Properties**

|   | Name                       | Description  |
|---|----------------------------|--|
| 3 | <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster |
|   |                            | elements according to this linkage criterion.                                |

# See Also

# AverageLinkage(TInstance). Dissimilarity Metric Property

Gets the metric used to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster elements according to this linkage criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

# Syntax

# C#

public IDissimilarityMetric<TInstance> DissimilarityMetric { get; }

# **View Source**

Property Value

Type: <a href="mailto:IDissimilarityMetric">IDissimilarityMetric</a>(TInstance)

*Implements* 

<u>ILinkageCriterion(TInstance)</u>.DissimilarityMetric

See Also

# AverageLinkage(TInstance).AverageLinkage(TInstance) Methods

The <u>AverageLinkage(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

# Methods

|          | Name               | Description   |
|----------|--------------------|---|
| =0       | <u>Calculate</u>   | Calculates the distance / dissimilarity between the two given clusters according to this linkage criterion. |
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =₩       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =        | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| <b>~</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =        | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)  |

# See Also

# AverageLinkage(TInstance).Calculate Method

Calculates the distance / dissimilarity between the two given clusters according to this linkage criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

# **Syntax**

# C#

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

cluster1

Type: <u>Aglomera.Cluster</u>(TInstance)

The first cluster.

cluster2

Type: <u>Aglomera.Cluster</u>(TInstance)

The second cluster.

#### Return Value

Type: **Double** 

A value corresponding to the distance / dissimilarity between *cluster1* and *cluster2*, according to this linkage criterion.

#### *Implements*

ILinkageCriterion(TInstance).Calculate(Cluster(TInstance), Cluster(TInstance))

## See Also

# CentroidLinkage(TInstance) Class

Implements the centroid linkage clustering method, i.e., returns the distance between the centroid for each cluster (a mean vector).

# Inheritance Hierarchy <a href="System.Object">System.Object</a>

Aglomera.Linkage.CentroidLinkage(TInstance)

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## **Syntax**

## C#

public class CentroidLinkage<TInstance>: ILinkageCriterion<TInstance>

where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### **View Source**

## Type Parameters

TInstance

The type of instance considered.

The CentroidLinkage(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

# Constructors

|    | Name | Description   |
|----|------|---|
| =@ |      | Creates a new CentroidLinkage(TInstance) with given dissimilarity |
|    |      | metric and centroid function.                                     |

# **Properties**

|   | Name                       | Description  |
|---|----------------------------|--|
| ~ | <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster |
|   |                            | elements according to this linkage criterion.                                |

## Methods

|    | Name            | Description   |
|----|-----------------|---|
| =0 |                 | Calculates the distance / dissimilarity between the two given clusters according to this linkage criterion. |
| =0 | <u>Equals</u>   | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| 70 | <u>Finalize</u> | (Inherited from Object.)  |

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| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.) |
|----------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| =        | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.) |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.) |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.) |

## Remarks

Centroid linkage is equivalent to <u>AverageLinkage(TInstance)</u> of all pairs of documents from different clusters. Thus, the difference between average and centroid clustering is that the former considers all pairs of documents in computing average pairwise similarity, whereas centroid clustering excludes pairs from the same cluster [1]. References: [1] - <a href="https://nlp.stanford.edu/IR-book/html/htmledition/centroid-clustering-1.html">https://nlp.stanford.edu/IR-book/html/htmledition/centroid-clustering-1.html</a>.

# See Also Aglomera.Linkage Namespace

# CentroidLinkage(TInstance) Constructor

Creates a new <u>CentroidLinkage(TInstance)</u> with given dissimilarity metric and centroid function.

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

# **Syntax**

## **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

metric

Type: <u>Aglomera.IDissimilarityMetric</u>(TInstance)

The metric used to calculate dissimilarity between cluster elements.

centroidFunc

Type: <a href="System.Func(Cluster">System.Func(Cluster</a>(TInstance), TInstance)

A function to get an element representing the centroid of a <u>Cluster(TInstance)</u>.

#### See Also

# CentroidLinkage(TInstance).CentroidLinkage(TInstance) Properties

The <u>CentroidLinkage(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

# **Properties**

|   |          | Name                       | Description  |
|---|----------|----------------------------|--|
| - | <b>~</b> | <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster |
|   |          |                            | elements according to this linkage criterion.                                |

# See Also

# CentroidLinkage(TInstance). Dissimilarity Metric Property

Gets the metric used to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster elements according to this linkage criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

# Syntax

# C#

public IDissimilarityMetric<TInstance> DissimilarityMetric { get; }

# **View Source**

Property Value

Type: <a href="mailto:IDissimilarityMetric">IDissimilarityMetric</a>(TInstance)

**Implements** 

<u>ILinkageCriterion(TInstance)</u>.DissimilarityMetric

See Also

<u>CentroidLinkage(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Linkage Namespace</u>

# CentroidLinkage(TInstance).CentroidLinkage(TInstance) Methods

The <u>CentroidLinkage(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

# Methods

|          | Name               | Description   |
|----------|--------------------|---|
| =0       | <u>Calculate</u>   | Calculates the distance / dissimilarity between the two given clusters according to this linkage criterion. |
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =₩       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =        | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| <b>~</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =        | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)  |

# See Also

<u>CentroidLinkage(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Linkage Namespace</u>

# CentroidLinkage(TInstance).Calculate Method

Calculates the distance / dissimilarity between the two given clusters according to this linkage criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

# **Syntax**

# C#

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

cluster1

Type: <u>Aglomera.Cluster</u>(TInstance)

The first cluster.

cluster2

Type: <u>Aglomera.Cluster</u>(TInstance)

The second cluster.

#### Return Value

Type: **Double** 

A value corresponding to the distance / dissimilarity between *cluster1* and *cluster2*, according to this linkage criterion.

## **Implements**

ILinkageCriterion(TInstance).Calculate(Cluster(TInstance), Cluster(TInstance))

## See Also

<u>CentroidLinkage(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Linkage Namespace</u>

# CompleteLinkage(TInstance) Class

Implements the maximum or complete-linkage clustering method, i.e., returning the maximum value of all pairwise distances between the elements in each cluster. The method is also known as farthest neighbor clustering.

# Inheritance Hierarchy

## System.Object

Aglomera.Linkage.CompleteLinkage(TInstance)

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

# Syntax

# C#

public class CompleteLinkage<TInstance>: ILinkageCriterion<TInstance>
where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

## **View Source**

#### Type Parameters

**TInstance** 

The type of instance considered.

The CompleteLinkage(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

## Constructors

|    | Name                       | Description   |
|----|----------------------------|---|
| =© | CompleteLinkage(TInstance) | Creates a new CompleteLinkage(TInstance) with given dissimilarity metric. |

# **Properties**

|   | Name                       | Description  |
|---|----------------------------|--|
| - | <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster |
|   |                            | elements according to this linkage criterion.                                |

## Methods

|    | Name          | Description   |
|----|---------------|---|
| =  |               | Calculates the distance / dissimilarity between the two given clusters according to this linkage criterion. |
| =0 | <u>Equals</u> | (Inherited from Object.)  |

| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.) |
|----------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.) |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.) |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.) |
|          | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.) |

## Remarks

Complete linkage clustering avoids a drawback of <u>SingleLinkage(TInstance</u>) - the so-called chaining phenomenon, where clusters formed via single linkage clustering may be forced together due to single elements being close to each other, even though many of the elements in each cluster may be very distant to each other. Complete linkage tends to find compact clusters of approximately equal diameter (<a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Complete-linkage\_clustering">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Complete-linkage\_clustering</a>). However, complete-link clustering suffers from a different problem. It pays too much attention to outliers, points that do not fit well into the global structure of the cluster (<a href="https://nlp.stanford.edu/IR-book/html/htmledition/single-link-and-complete-link-clustering-1.html">https://nlp.stanford.edu/IR-book/html/htmledition/single-link-and-complete-link-clustering-1.html</a>).

See Also Aglomera.Linkage Namespace

# CompleteLinkage(TInstance) Constructor

Creates a new <u>CompleteLinkage(TInstance)</u> with given dissimilarity metric.

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

# **Syntax**

```
C#

public CompleteLinkage(

IDissimilarityMetric<TInstance> metric
)
```

## **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

metric

Type: <u>Aglomera.IDissimilarityMetric</u>(TInstance)

The metric used to calculate dissimilarity between cluster elements.

# See Also

# CompleteLinkage(TInstance).CompleteLinkage(TInstance) Properties

The <u>CompleteLinkage(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

# **Properties**

|   |   | Name                       | Description  |
|---|---|----------------------------|--|
| - | 9 | <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster |
|   |   |                            | elements according to this linkage criterion.                                |

# See Also

# CompleteLinkage(TInstance). Dissimilarity Metric Property

Gets the metric used to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster elements according to this linkage criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## **Syntax**

# C#

public IDissimilarityMetric<TInstance> DissimilarityMetric { get; }

# **View Source**

Property Value

Type: <a href="mailto:IDissimilarityMetric">IDissimilarityMetric</a>(TInstance)

**Implements** 

<u>ILinkageCriterion(TInstance)</u>.DissimilarityMetric

See Also

# CompleteLinkage(TInstance).CompleteLinkage(TInstance) Methods

The <u>CompleteLinkage(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

# Methods

|          | Name               | Description   |
|----------|--------------------|---|
| =0       | <u>Calculate</u>   | Calculates the distance / dissimilarity between the two given clusters according to this linkage criterion. |
| =0       | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| <b>≘</b> | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)  |

# See Also

# CompleteLinkage(TInstance).Calculate Method

Calculates the distance / dissimilarity between the two given clusters according to this linkage criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

# **Syntax**

# **C**#

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

cluster1

Type: <u>Aglomera.Cluster</u>(TInstance)

The first cluster.

cluster2

Type: <u>Aglomera.Cluster</u>(TInstance)

The second cluster.

## Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

A value corresponding to the distance / dissimilarity between *cluster1* and *cluster2*, according to this linkage criterion.

#### *Implements*

ILinkageCriterion(TInstance).Calculate(Cluster(TInstance), Cluster(TInstance))

## See Also

# ILinkageCriterion(TInstance) Interface

An interface for agglomeration (linkage) methods for computing distance between clusters to be used during agglomerative clustering.

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## **Syntax**

# C#

public interface ILinkageCriterion<TInstance>
where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

## **View Source**

## Type Parameters

TInstance

The type of instance considered.

The ILinkageCriterion(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

# **Properties**

| Name                       | Description  |
|----------------------------|--|
| <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster |
|                            | elements according to this linkage criterion.                                |

## Methods

|   | Name | Description   |
|---|------|---|
| = | r    | Calculates the distance / dissimilarity between the two given clusters according to this linkage criterion. |

# See Also

Aglomera.Linkage Namespace

# ILinkageCriterion(TInstance).ILinkageCriterion(TInstance) Properties

The <a href="ILinkageCriterion(TInstance">ILinkageCriterion(TInstance</a>) generic type exposes the following members.

# **Properties**

|   |          | Name                       | Description  |
|---|----------|----------------------------|--|
| - | <b>~</b> | <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster |
|   |          |                            | elements according to this linkage criterion.                                |

# See Also

ILinkageCriterion(TInstance)Interface Aglomera.Linkage Namespace

# ILinkageCriterion(TInstance).DissimilarityMetric Property

Gets the metric used to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster elements according to this linkage criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

# Syntax

# C#

IDissimilarityMetric<TInstance> DissimilarityMetric { get; }

# **View Source**

Property Value

Type: <a href="mailto:IDissimilarityMetric">IDissimilarityMetric</a>(TInstance)

See Also

<u>ILinkageCriterion(TInstance)Interface</u>

Aglomera.Linkage Namespace

# ILinkageCriterion(TInstance).ILinkageCriterion(TInstance) Methods

The <a href="ILinkageCriterion(TInstance">ILinkageCriterion(TInstance</a>) generic type exposes the following members.

# Methods

|    | Name | Description  |
|----|------|--|
| =0 |      | Calculates the distance / dissimilarity between the two given clusters according to this |
| -  |      | linkage criterion.   |

# See Also

ILinkageCriterion(TInstance)Interface Aglomera.Linkage Namespace

# ILinkageCriterion(TInstance).Calculate Method

Calculates the distance / dissimilarity between the two given clusters according to this linkage criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

# **Syntax**

# C#

```
double Calculate(
Cluster<TInstance> cluster1,
Cluster<TInstance> cluster2
```

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

cluster1

Type: <u>Aglomera.Cluster</u>(TInstance)

The first cluster.

cluster2

Type: <u>Aglomera.Cluster</u>(TInstance)

The second cluster.

## Return Value

Type: **Double** 

A value corresponding to the distance / dissimilarity between *cluster1* and *cluster2*, according to this linkage criterion.

# See Also

ILinkageCriterion(TInstance)Interface Aglomera.Linkage Namespace

# MinimumEnergyLinkage(TInstance) Class

Implements the minimum (energy) E-distance method that minimizes a joint between-within measure of distance between clusters.

# Inheritance Hierarchy <a href="System.Object">System.Object</a>

Aglomera.Linkage.MinimumEnergyLinkage(TInstance)

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

## **Syntax**

## C#

public class MinimumEnergyLinkage<TInstance>: ILinkageCriterion<TInstance>

where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### **View Source**

## Type Parameters

TInstance

The type of instance considered.

The MinimumEnergyLinkage(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

## Constructors

|    | Name                            | Description  |
|----|---------------------------------|--|
| =₩ | MinimumEnergyLinkage(TInstance) | Creates a new MinimumEnergyLinkage(TInstance) with |
|    |                                 | given dissimilarity metric.                        |

# **Properties**

| Name             | Description  |
|------------------|--|
|                  | Gets the metric used to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster |
|                  | elements according to this linkage criterion.                                |
| DistanceExponent | Gets or sets the distance exponent in the interval (0, 2].                   |

## Methods

|    | Name          | Description   |
|----|---------------|---|
| =  | , i           | Calculates the distance / dissimilarity between the two given clusters according to this linkage criterion. |
| =( | <u>Equals</u> | (Inherited from Object.)  |

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| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.) |
|----------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>≟</b> | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.) |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.) |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.) |
|          | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.) |

#### Remarks

"This method extends <u>WardsMinimumVarianceLinkage(TInstance</u>), by defining a cluster distance and objective function in terms of Euclidean distance, or any power of Euclidean distance in the interval (o, 2]. Ward's method is obtained as the special case when the power is 2. The ability of the proposed extension to identify clusters with nearly equal centers is an important advantage over geometric or cluster center methods" [1]. References: [1] - <u>Szekely, G. J., & Rizzo, M. L. (2005)</u>. <u>Hierarchical clustering via joint between-within distances: Extending Ward's minimum variance method. Journal of classification, 22(2), 151-183</u>

See Also Aglomera.Linkage Namespace

# MinimumEnergyLinkage(TInstance) Constructor

Creates a new MinimumEnergyLinkage(TInstance) with given dissimilarity metric.

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

# **Syntax**

```
C#

public MinimumEnergyLinkage(

IDissimilarityMetric<TInstance> metric
)
```

## **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

metric

Type: <u>Aglomera.IDissimilarityMetric</u>(TInstance)

The metric used to calculate dissimilarity between cluster elements.

# See Also

<u>MinimumEnergyLinkage(TInstance)Class</u>

Aglomera.Linkage Namespace

# MinimumEnergyLinkage(*TInstance*).MinimumEnergyLinkage(*TInstance*) Properties

The MinimumEnergyLinkage(TInstance) generic type exposes the following members.

# **Properties**

| Name                | Description  |
|---------------------|--|
| DissimilarityMetric | Gets the metric used to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster |
|                     | elements according to this linkage criterion.                                |
| DistanceExponent    | Gets or sets the distance exponent in the interval (0, 2].                   |

# See Also

<u>MinimumEnergyLinkage(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Linkage Namespace</u>

# MinimumEnergyLinkage(TInstance).DissimilarityMetric Property

Gets the metric used to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster elements according to this linkage criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

# Syntax

# C#

public IDissimilarityMetric<TInstance> DissimilarityMetric { get; }

# **View Source**

Property Value

Type: <a href="mailto:IDissimilarityMetric">IDissimilarityMetric</a>(TInstance)

*Implements* 

<u>ILinkageCriterion(TInstance)</u>.DissimilarityMetric

See Also

MinimumEnergyLinkage(TInstance)Class Aglomera.Linkage Namespace

# MinimumEnergyLinkage(TInstance).DistanceExponent Property

Gets or sets the distance exponent in the interval (0, 2].

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

# Syntax

# C#

public double DistanceExponent { get; set; }

**View Source** 

Property Value
Type: <u>Double</u>

See Also

<u>MinimumEnergyLinkage(TInstance)Class</u>

Aglomera.Linkage Namespace

# MinimumEnergyLinkage(TInstance).MinimumEnergyLinkage(TInstance) Methods

The MinimumEnergyLinkage(TInstance) generic type exposes the following members.

# Methods

|          | Name               | Description   |
|----------|--------------------|---|
| =0       | <u>Calculate</u>   | Calculates the distance / dissimilarity between the two given clusters according to this linkage criterion. |
| =0       | Equals             | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| 7        | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =        | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| <b>~</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)  |

# See Also

<u>MinimumEnergyLinkage(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Linkage Namespace</u>

# MinimumEnergyLinkage(TInstance).Calculate Method

Calculates the distance / dissimilarity between the two given clusters according to this linkage criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

# **Syntax**

# C#

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

cluster1

Type: <u>Aglomera.Cluster</u>(TInstance)

The first cluster.

cluster2

Type: <u>Aglomera.Cluster</u>(TInstance)

The second cluster.

## Return Value

Type: **Double** 

A value corresponding to the distance / dissimilarity between *cluster1* and *cluster2*, according to this linkage criterion.

#### *Implements*

ILinkageCriterion(TInstance).Calculate(Cluster(TInstance), Cluster(TInstance))

## See Also

<u>MinimumEnergyLinkage(TInstance)Class</u> <u>Aglomera.Linkage Namespace</u>

# SingleLinkage(TInstance) Class

Implements the minimum or single-linkage clustering method, i.e., returns the minimum value of all pairwise distances between the elements in each cluster. The method is also known as nearest neighbor clustering.

# Inheritance Hierarchy

## System.Object

Aglomera.Linkage.SingleLinkage(TInstance)

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

# **Syntax**

# C#

public class SingleLinkage<TInstance>: ILinkageCriterion<TInstance>
where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

## **View Source**

#### Type Parameters

**TInstance** 

The type of instance considered.

The SingleLinkage(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

## Constructors

|    | Name | Description   |
|----|------|---|
| =0 |      | Creates a new SingleLinkage(TInstance) with given dissimilarity |
|    |      | metric.   |

# **Properties**

|   | Name                | Description  |
|---|---------------------|--|
| - | DissimilarityMetric | Gets the metric used to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster |
|   |                     | elements according to this linkage criterion.                                |

## Methods

|    | Name          | Description   |
|----|---------------|---|
| =  |               | Calculates the distance / dissimilarity between the two given clusters according to this linkage criterion. |
| =0 | <u>Equals</u> | (Inherited from Object.)  |

| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.) |
|----------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.) |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.) |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.) |
|          | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.) |

#### Remarks

A drawback of this method is that it tends to produce long thin clusters in which nearby elements of the same cluster have small distances, but elements at opposite ends of a cluster may be much farther from each other than two elements of other clusters [1]. Since the merge criterion is strictly local, a chain of points can be extended for long distances without regard to the overall shape of the emerging cluster. This effect is called chaining [2]. References: [1] -

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Single-linkage\_clustering. [2] - https://nlp.stanford.edu/IR-book/html/htmledition/single-link-and-complete-link-clustering-1.html

## See Also Aglomera.Linkage Namespace

# SingleLinkage(TInstance) Constructor

Creates a new <a>SingleLinkage(TInstance)</a> with given dissimilarity metric.

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

### **Syntax**

```
C#

public SingleLinkage(

IDissimilarityMetric<TInstance> metric
)
```

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

metric

Type: <u>Aglomera.IDissimilarityMetric</u>(TInstance)

The metric used to calculate dissimilarity between cluster elements.

#### See Also

SingleLinkage(TInstance)Class Aglomera.Linkage Namespace

# SingleLinkage(TInstance). SingleLinkage(TInstance) Properties

The <u>SingleLinkage(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

# Properties

|   |   | Name                       | Description  |
|---|---|----------------------------|--|
| 2 | 9 | <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster |
|   |   |                            | elements according to this linkage criterion.                                |

# See Also SingleLinkage(TInstance)Class Aglomera.Linkage Namespace

# SingleLinkage(TInstance). Dissimilarity Metric Property

Gets the metric used to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster elements according to this linkage criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

### C#

public IDissimilarityMetric<TInstance> DissimilarityMetric { get; }

#### **View Source**

Property Value

Type: <a href="mailto:IDissimilarityMetric">IDissimilarityMetric</a>(TInstance)

**Implements** 

<u>ILinkageCriterion(TInstance)</u>.DissimilarityMetric

See Also SingleLinkage(TInstance)Class Aglomera.Linkage Namespace

# SingleLinkage(TInstance).SingleLinkage(TInstance) Methods

The <u>SingleLinkage(TInstance)</u> generic type exposes the following members.

# Methods

|          | Name               | Description   |
|----------|--------------------|---|
| =0       | <u>Calculate</u>   | Calculates the distance / dissimilarity between the two given clusters according to this linkage criterion. |
| <b>≘</b> | <u>Equals</u>      | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| <b>≘</b> | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)  |

# See Also

SingleLinkage(TInstance)Class Aglomera.Linkage Namespace

# SingleLinkage(TInstance).Calculate Method

Calculates the distance / dissimilarity between the two given clusters according to this linkage criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

## C#

#### **View Source**

#### **Parameters**

cluster1

Type: <u>Aglomera.Cluster</u>(TInstance)

The first cluster.

cluster2

Type: <u>Aglomera.Cluster</u>(TInstance)

The second cluster.

#### Return Value

Type: **Double** 

A value corresponding to the distance / dissimilarity between *cluster1* and *cluster2*, according to this linkage criterion.

#### *Implements*

ILinkageCriterion(TInstance).Calculate(Cluster(TInstance), Cluster(TInstance))

#### See Also

SingleLinkage(TInstance)Class Aglomera.Linkage Namespace

# WardsMinimumVarianceLinkage(TInstance) Class

Implements Ward's minimum variance method, i.e., returns the total within-cluster variance, corresponding to a weighted squared distance between cluster centers.

# Inheritance Hierarchy <a href="System.Object">System.Object</a>

Aglomera.Linkage.WardsMinimumVarianceLinkage(TInstance)

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

#### C#

public class WardsMinimumVarianceLinkage<TInstance>: ILinkageCriterion<TInstance>
where TInstance: Object, IComparable<TInstance>

#### **View Source**

#### Type Parameters

TInstance

The type of instance considered.

The WardsMinimumVarianceLinkage(TInstance) type exposes the following members.

#### Constructors

|    | Name                                   | Description                                       |
|----|--|---|
| =@ | WardsMinimumVarianceLinkage(TInstance) | Creates a new                                     |
|    |  | WardsMinimumVarianceLinkage(TInstance) with       |
|    |  | given dissimilarity metric and centroid function. |

#### **Properties**

|   | Name                       | Description  |
|---|----------------------------|--|
| - | <u>DissimilarityMetric</u> | Gets the metric used to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster |
|   |                            | elements according to this linkage criterion.                                |

#### Methods

|    | Name          | Description   |
|----|---------------|---|
| =0 |               | Calculates the distance / dissimilarity between the two given clusters according to this linkage criterion. |
| =0 | <u>Equals</u> | (Inherited from Object.)  |

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| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.) |
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| <b>≟</b> | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.) |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.) |
| <b>7</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.) |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.) |

#### Remarks

"With hierarchical clustering, the sum of squares starts out at zero (because every point is in its own cluster) and then grows as we merge clusters. Ward's method keeps this growth as small as possible. This is nice if you believe that the sum of squares should be small. Notice that the number of points shows up in [the formula], as well as their geometric separation. Given two pairs of clusters whose centers are equally far apart, Ward's method will prefer to merge the smaller ones." [1] References: [1] - http://www.stat.cmu.edu/~cshalizi/350/lectures/08/lecture-08.pdf.

## See Also Aglomera.Linkage Namespace

# WardsMinimumVarianceLinkage(TInstance) Constructor

Creates a new <u>WardsMinimumVarianceLinkage(TInstance)</u> with given dissimilarity metric and centroid function.

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

#### C#

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#### **Parameters**

metric

Type: <u>Aglomera.IDissimilarityMetric</u>(TInstance)

The metric used to calculate dissimilarity between cluster elements.

centroidFunc

Type: <u>Aglomera.CentroidFunction</u>(TInstance)

A function to get an element representing the centroid of a Cluster(TInstance).

#### See Also

# WardsMinimumVarianceLinkage(TInstance).WardsMinimumVarianceLinkage(TInstance) Properties

The WardsMinimumVarianceLinkage(TInstance) generic type exposes the following members.

# **Properties**

|   |   | Name | Description  |
|---|---|------|--|
| - | ~ | _    | Gets the metric used to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster |
|   |   |      | elements according to this linkage criterion.                                |

# See Also

# WardsMinimumVarianceLinkage(*TInstance*).DissimilarityMetric Property

Gets the metric used to measure the dissimilarity / distance between cluster elements according to this linkage criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### Syntax

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public IDissimilarityMetric<TInstance> DissimilarityMetric { get; }

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**Property Value** 

Type: <a href="mailto:IDissimilarityMetric">IDissimilarityMetric</a>(TInstance)

*Implements* 

<u>ILinkageCriterion(TInstance)</u>.DissimilarityMetric

#### See Also

# WardsMinimumVarianceLinkage(TInstance).WardsMinimumVarianceLinkage(TInstance) Methods

The WardsMinimumVarianceLinkage(TInstance) generic type exposes the following members.

### Methods

|          | Name               | Description   |
|----------|--------------------|---|
| =0       | <u>Calculate</u>   | Calculates the distance / dissimilarity between the two given clusters according to this linkage criterion. |
| =0       | Equals             | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| <b>7</b> | <u>Finalize</u>    | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =0       | <u>GetHashCode</u> | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =0       | <u>GetType</u>     | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| <b>~</b> | MemberwiseClone    | (Inherited from Object.)  |
| =0       | ToString           | (Inherited from Object.)  |

### See Also

# WardsMinimumVarianceLinkage(TInstance).Calculate Method

Calculates the distance / dissimilarity between the two given clusters according to this linkage criterion.

Namespace: Aglomera.Linkage

Assembly: Aglomera (in Aglomera.dll) Version: 1.1.0

#### **Syntax**

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#### **Parameters**

cluster1

Type: <u>Aglomera.Cluster</u>(TInstance)

The first cluster.

cluster2

Type: <u>Aglomera.Cluster</u>(TInstance)

The second cluster.

#### Return Value

Type: <u>Double</u>

A value corresponding to the distance / dissimilarity between *cluster1* and *cluster2*, according to this linkage criterion.

#### *Implements*

ILinkageCriterion(TInstance).Calculate(Cluster(TInstance), Cluster(TInstance))

#### See Also