

Tuning Machine Learning Algorithms with mlr3

mlr3tuning

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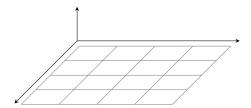
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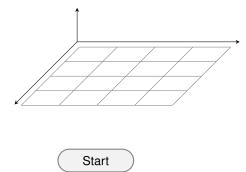
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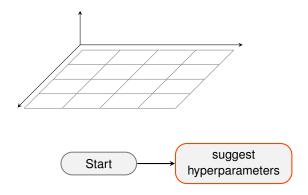
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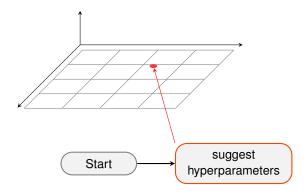
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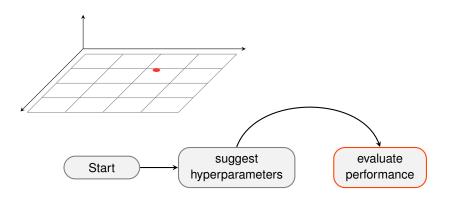
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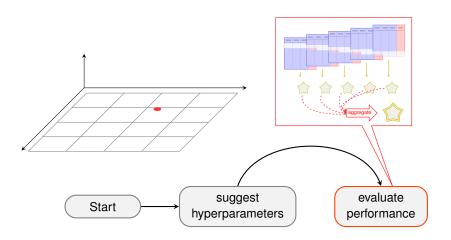


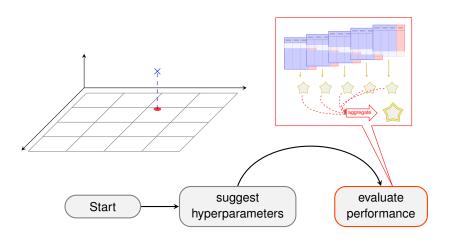


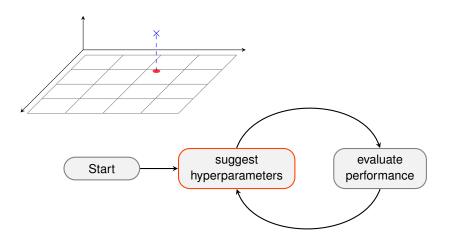


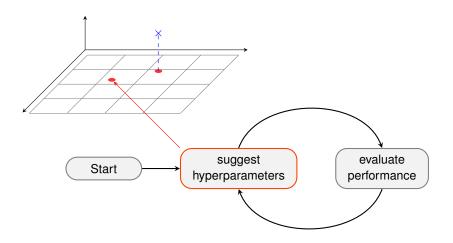


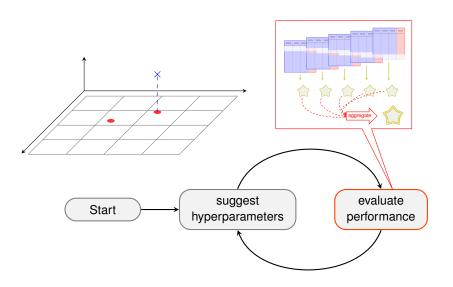


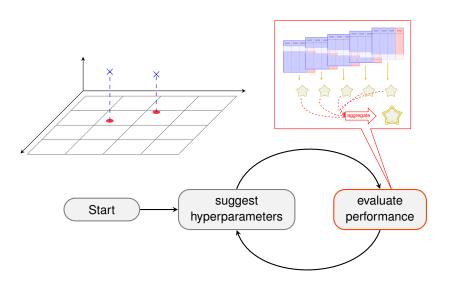


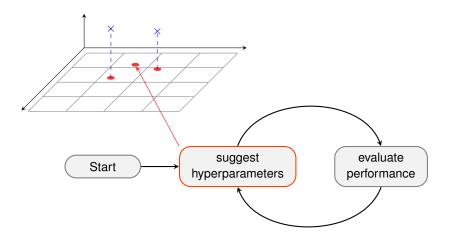


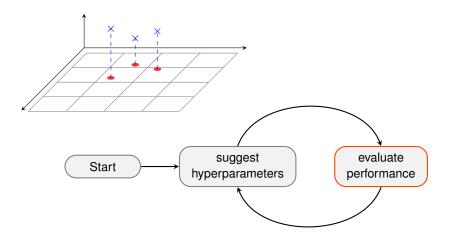


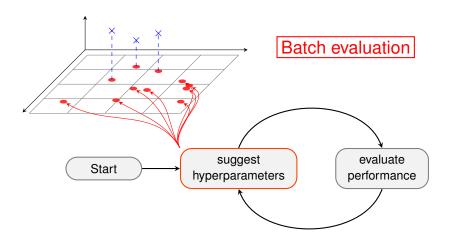


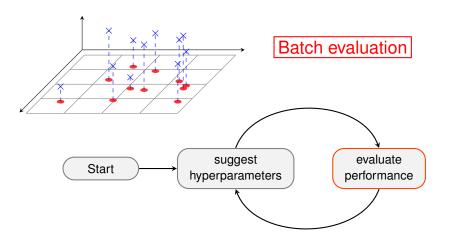


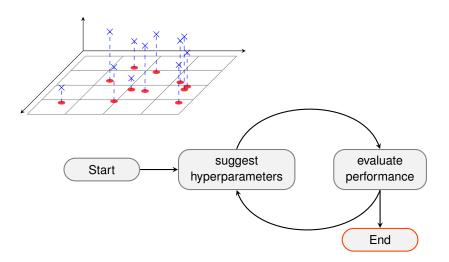


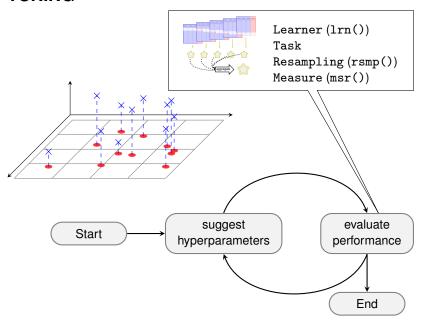


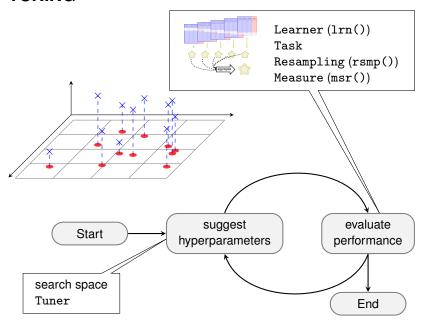


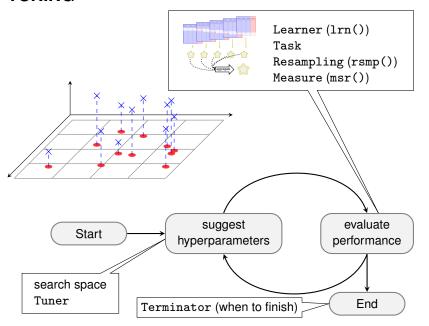






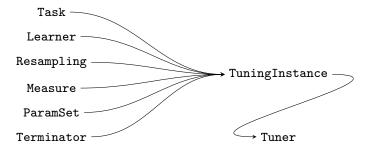




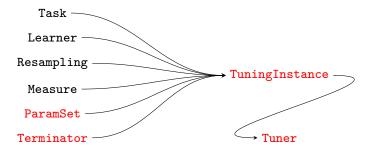


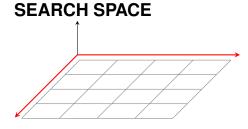
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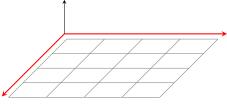
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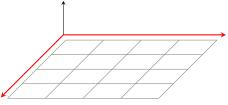
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library("paradox")
searchspace_knn = ParamSet$new(list(
   ParamInt$new("k", 1, 20)
))
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#> * Parameters: n_evals=20
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as.data.table(mlr_tuners)

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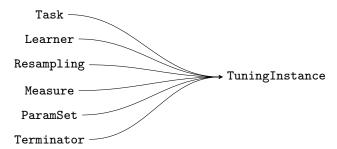
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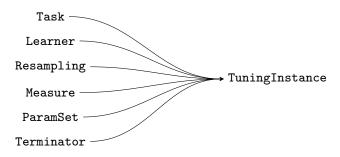
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• common parameter batch_size for parallelization





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inst = TuningInstance$new(
  tsk("iris"), lrn("classif.kknn", kernel="rectangular"),
  rsmp("cv"), msr("classif.ce"),
  searchspace_knn, term("none")
)
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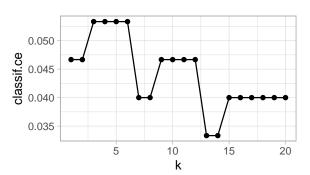
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#> $tune_x$k
#> [1] 13
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#> [1] "rectangular"
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#> [1] 13
#>
#>
#> $perf
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        0.033
#>
```

TUNING RESULTS

```
ggplot(inst$archive(unnest = "params"),
aes(x = k, y = classif.ce)) + geom_line() + geom_point()
```



RECAP

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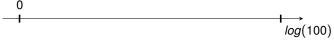
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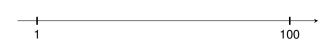
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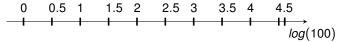
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searchspace_knn_trafo = ParamSet$new(list(
   ParamDbl$new("k_before_trafo", log(1), log(100))
))
searchspace_knn_trafo$trafo = function(x, param_set) {
   return(list(k = round(exp(x$k_before_trafo))))
}
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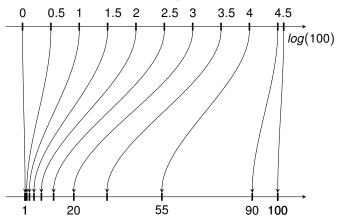










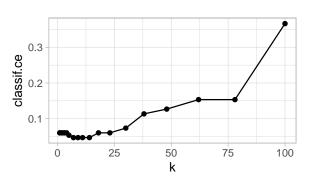


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inst$result
#> $tune_x
#> $tune_x$k_before_trafo
#> [1] 2.7
#>
#>
  $params
#> $params$kernel
#> [1] "rectangular"
#>
#> $params$k
#> [1] 14
#>
#>
#> $perf
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#>
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optlrn = AutoTuner$new(lrn("classif.kknn", kernel="rectangular"),
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    term("none"), tnr("grid_search", resolution = 20))
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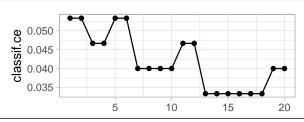
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optlrn$train(tsk("iris"))
optlrn$model$learner

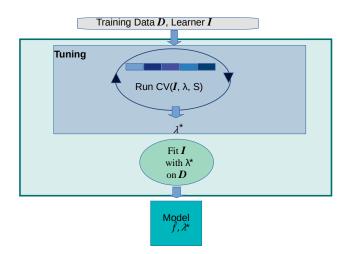
#> <LearnerClassifKKNN:classif.kknn>
#> * Model: data.table
#> * Parameters: kernel=rectangular, k=18
#> * Packages: withr, kknn
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ggplot(optlrn$model$tuning_instance$archive(unnest = "params"),
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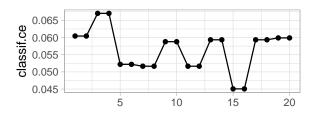
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resample(tsk("iris"), optlrn, rsmp("cv"))

#> <ResampleResult> of 10 iterations
#> * Task: iris
#> * Learner: classif.kknn.tuned
#> * Warnings: 0 in 0 iterations
#> * Errors: 0 in 0 iterations
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result = resample(tsk("iris"), optlrn, rsmp("cv"),
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ggplot(result$learners[[1]]$
    model$tuning_instance$archive(unnest = "params"),
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Outro

TUNING WITH MLR3TUNING

Tuning a Learner

- Construct a TuningInstance
 - Task-the Data to tune over
 - Learner—the algorithm to tune
 - Resampling—the resampling method to use
 - Measure—how to evaluate performance
 - ParamSet—the search space, possibly with trafo
 - Terminator—when to quit
- Create a Tuner
 - Usually using tnr()
 - May have some parameters, e.g. batch_size
- Oall tuner\$tune()

Nested Resampling

- Construct an AutoTuner
 - Constructor takes all arguments of a TuningInstance except Task
 - Also takes the Tuner as an argument
- Use like a normal Learner in resample() and benchmark()