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Description Rattle (the R Analytic Tool To Learn Easily) provides a Gnome (RGtk2) based interface to R functionality for data mining. The aim is to provide a simple and intuitive interface that allows a user to quickly load data from a CSV file (or via ODBC), transform and explore the data, build and evaluate models, and export models as PMML (predictive modelling markup language) or as scores. All of this with knowing little about R. All R commands are logged and commented through the log tab. Thus they are available to the user as a script file or as an aide for the user to learn R or to copy-and-paste directly into R itself. Rattle also exports a number of utility functions and the graphical user interface, invoked as `rattle()`, does not need to be run to deploy these.

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<code>acquireAuditData</code>	<i>Generate the audit dataset.</i>
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Description

Rattle uses an artificial dataset for demonstration purposes. This function retrieves the source data <ftp://ftp.ics.uci.edu/pub/machine-learning-databases/adult/adult.data> and then transforms the data in a variety of ways.

Usage

```
acquireAuditData(write.to.file=FALSE)
```

Arguments

`write.to.file` Whether to generate a collection of files based on the data. The files generated include: `audit.csv`, `audit.Rdata`, `audit.arf`, and `audit_missing.csv`

Details

See the function definition for details of the processing done on the data downloaded from the UCI repository.

Value

By default the function returns a data frame containing the audit dataset. If `write.to.file` is `TRUE` then the data frame is returned invisibly.

Author(s)

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References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

See Also

[audit](#), [rattle](#).

`asRules`*List the rules corresponding to the rpart decision tree*

Description

Display a list of rules for an rpart decision tree.

Usage

```
asRules(model, compact=FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>model</code>	an rpart model.
<code>compact</code>	whether to list cateogricals compactly.
<code>...</code>	further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Details

Traverse a decision tree to generate the equivalent set of rules, one rule for each path from the root node to a leaf node.

Author(s)

<Graham.Williams@togaware.com>

References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

Examples

```
## Not run: asRules.rpart(my.rpart)
```

`asRules.rpart`*List the rules corresponding to the rpart decision tree*

Description

Display a list of rules for an rpart decision tree.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'rpart'  
asRules(model, compact=FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>model</code>	an rpart model.
<code>compact</code>	whether to list cateogricals compactly.
<code>...</code>	further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Details

Traverse a decision tree to generate the equivalent set of rules, one rule for each path from the root node to a leaf node.

Author(s)

<Graham.Williams@togaware.com>

References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

Examples

```
## Not run: asRules.rpart(my.rpart)
```

audit

Sample dataset for illustration Rattle functionality.

Description

The audit dataset is an artificially constructed dataset that has some of the characteristics of a true financial audit dataset for modelling productive and non-productive audits of a person's financial statement. A productive audit is one which identifies errors or inaccuracies in the information provided by a client. A non-productive audit is usually an audit which found all supplied information to be in order.

The audit dataset is used to illustrate binary classification. The target variable is identified as `TARGET_Adjusted`.

The dataset is quite small, consisting of just 2000 entities. Its primary purpose is to illustrate modelling in Rattle, so a minimally sized dataset is suitable.

The dataset itself is derived from publicly available data (which has nothing to do with audits). See [acquireAuditData](#) for details.

Format

A data frame. In line with data mining terminology we refer to the rows of the data frame (or the observations) as entities. The columns are referred to as variables. The entities represent people in this case. We describe the variables here:

ID This is a unique identifier for each person.

Age The age.

Employment The type of employment.

Education The highest level of education.

Marital Current marital status.

Occupation The type of occupation.

Income The amount of income declared.

Gender The persons gender.

Deductions Total amount of expenses that a person claims in their financial statement.

Hours The average hours worked on a weekly basis.

IGNORE_Accounts The main country in which the person has most of their money banked. Note that the variable name is prefixed with IGNORE. This is recognised by Rattle as the default role for this variable.

RISK_Adjustment This variable records the monetary amount of any adjustment to the person's financial claims as a result of a productive audit. This variable, which should not be treated as an input variable, is thus a measure of the size of the risk associated with the person.

TARGET_Adjusted The target variable for modelling (generally for classification modelling). This is a numeric field of class integer, but limited to 0 and 1, indicating non-productive and productive audits, respectively. Productive audits are those that result in an adjustment being made to a client's financial statement.

binning

Perform binning over numeric data

Description

Perform binning.

Usage

```
binning(x, bins=4, method=c("quantile", "wtd.quantile", "kmeans"),
        labels=NULL, ordered=TRUE, weights=NULL)
```

Arguments

x	the numeric data to bin.
bins	the number of bins to use.
method	whether to use "quantile", weighted quantile "wtd.quantile" or "kmeans" binning.
labels	the labels or names to use for each of the bins.
ordered	whether to build an ordered factor or not.
weights	vector of numeric weights for each observation for weighted quantile binning.

Details

Bin the provided numeric data into the specified number of bins using one of the supported methods. The bins will have the names specified by labels, if supplied. The result can optionally be an ordered factor.

Value

A factor is returned.

Author(s)

Daniele Medri and Graham Williams

References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

calcInitialDigitDistr *Generate a frequency count of the initial digits*

Description

In the context of Benford's Law calculate the distribution of the frequencies of the first digit of the numbers supplied as the argument.

Usage

```
calcInitialDigitDistr(l, digit=1, len=1,  
  sp=c("none", "positive", "negative"))
```

Arguments

l	a vector of numbers.
digit	the digit to generate frequencies for.
len	The number of digits.
sp	whether and how to split the digits.

Author(s)

<Graham.Williams@togaware.com>

References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

calculateAUC	<i>Determine area under a curve (e.g. a risk or recall curve) of a risk chart</i>
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Description

Given the evaluation returned by `evaluateRisk`, for example, calculate the area under the risk or recall curves, to use as a metric to compare the performance of a model.

Usage

```
calculateAUC(x, y)
```

Arguments

x	a vector of values for the x points.
y	a vector of values for the y points.

Details

The area is returned.

Author(s)

<Graham.Williams@togaware.com>

References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

See Also

[evaluateRisk](#).

Examples

```
## this is usually used in the context of the evaluateRisk function
## Not run: ev <- evaluateRisk(predicted, actual, risk)

## imitate this output here
ev <- data.frame(Caseload=c(1.0, 0.8, 0.6, 0.4, 0.2, 0),
                 Precision=c(0.15, 0.18, 0.21, 0.25, 0.28, 0.30),
                 Recall=c(1.0, 0.95, 0.80, 0.75, 0.5, 0.0),
                 Risk=c(1.0, 0.98, 0.90, 0.77, 0.30, 0.0))

## Calculate the areas under the Risk and the Recall curves.
calculateAUC(ev$Caseload, ev$Risk)
calculateAUC(ev$Caseload, ev$Recall)
```

centers.hclust

List Cluster Centers for a Hierarchical Cluster

Description

Generate a matrix of centers from a hierarchical cluster.

Usage

```
centers.hclust(x, h, nclust=10, use.median=FALSE)
```

Arguments

x	The data used to build the cluster.
h	A hclust object.
nclust	Number of clusters.
use.median	Use meadion instead of mean.

Details

For the specified number of clusters, cut the hierarchical cluster appropriately to that number of clusters, and return the mean (or median) of each resulting cluster.

Author(s)

Daniele Medri and <Graham.Williams@togaware.com>

References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

drawTreeNodes	<i>Draw nodes of a decision tree</i>
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Description

Draw the nodes of a decision tree

Usage

```
drawTreeNodes(tree, cex = par("cex"), pch = par("pch"),
               size = 4 * cex, col = NULL, nodeinfo = FALSE,
               units = "", cases = "obs",
               digits = getOption("digits"),
               decimals = 2,
               print.levels = TRUE, new = TRUE)
```

Arguments

tree	an rpart decision tree.
cex	.
pch	.
size	.
col	.
nodeinfo	.
units	.
cases	.
digits	.
decimals	the number of decimal digits to include in numeric split nodes.
print.levels	.
new	.

Details

A variation of draw.tree() from the maptree package.

Author(s)

<Graham.Williams@togaware.com>, Denis White

References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

Examples

```
## this is usually used in the context of the plotRisk function
## Not run: drawTreeNodes(rpart(Species ~ ., iris))
```

drawTreesAda	<i>Draw trees from an Ada model</i>
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Description

Using the Rattle drawTreeNodes, draw a selection of Ada trees.

Usage

```
drawTreesAda(model, trees=0, title="")
```

Arguments

model	an ada model.
trees	The list of trees to draw. Use 0 to draw all trees.
title	An option title to add.

Details

Using Rattle's drawTreeNodes underneath, a plot for each of the specified trees from an Ada model will be displayed.

Author(s)

<Graham.Williams@togaware.com>

References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

Examples

```
## Not run: drawTreesAda(ds.ada)
```

`evaluateRisk`*Summarise the performance of a data mining model*

Description

By taking predicted values, actual values, and measures of the risk associated with each case, generate a summary that groups the distinct predicted values, calculating the accumulative percentage Caseload, Recall, Risk, Precision, and Measure.

Usage

```
evaluateRisk(predicted, actual, risks)
```

Arguments

<code>predicted</code>	a numeric vector of probabilities (between 0 and 1) representing the probability of each entity being a 1.
<code>actual</code>	a numeric vector of classes (0 or 1).
<code>risks</code>	a numeric vector of risk (e.g., dollar amounts) associated with each entity that has a actual of 1.

Author(s)

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References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

See Also

[plotRisk](#).

Examples

```
## simulate the data that is typical in data mining

## we often have only a small number of positive known case
cases <- 1000
actual <- as.integer(rnorm(cases) > 1)
adjusted <- sum(actual)
nfa <- cases - adjusted

## risks might be dollar values associated adjusted cases
risks <- rep(0, cases)
risks[actual==1] <- round(abs(rnorm(adjusted, 10000, 5000)), 2)
```

```
## our models will generated a probability of a case being a 1
predicted <- rep(0.1, cases)
predicted[actual==1] <- predicted[actual==1] + rnorm(adjusted, 0.3, 0.1)
predicted[actual==0] <- predicted[actual==0] + rnorm(nfa, 0.1, 0.08)
predicted <- signif(predicted)

## call upon evaluateRisk to generate performance summary
ev <- evaluateRisk(predicted, actual, risks)

## have a look at the first few and last few
head(ev)
tail(ev)

## the performance is usually presented as a Risk Chart
## under the CRAN MS/Windows this causes a problem, so don't run for now
## Not run: plotRisk(ev$Caseload, ev$Precision, ev$Recall, ev$Risk)
```

fancyRpartPlot

A wrapper for plotting rpart trees using prp

Description

Plots a fancy RPart decision tree using the pretty rpart plotter.

Usage

```
fancyRpartPlot(model, main="", sub, ...)
```

Arguments

model	an rpart object.
main	title for the plot.
sub	sub title for the plot. The default is a Rattle string with date, time and username.
...	additional arguments passed on to prp.

Author(s)

<Graham.Williams@togaware.com>

References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

Examples

```
## Use rpart to build a decision tree.

library(rpart)

## Set up the data for modelling.

set.seed(42)
ds      <- weather
target <- "RainTomorrow"
risk    <- "RISK_MM"
ignore  <- c("Date", "Location", risk)
vars    <- setdiff(names(ds), ignore)
nobs    <- nrow(ds)
form    <- formula(paste(target, "~ ."))
train   <- sample(nobs, 0.7*nobs)
test    <- setdiff(seq_len(nobs), train)
actual  <- ds[test, target]
risks   <- ds[test, risk]

# Build the model.

model <- rpart(form, data=ds[train, vars])

## Plot the model.

fancyRpartPlot(model)
```

genPlotTitleCmd

Generate a string to add a title to a plot

Description

Generate a string that is intended to be `eval`'d that will add a title and sub-title to a plot. The string is a call to `title`, supplying the given arguments, `paste`d together, as the main title, and generating a sub-title that begins with 'Rattle' and continues with the current date and time, and finishes with the current user's username. This is used internally in Rattle to adorn a plot with relevant information, but may be useful outside of Rattle.

Usage

```
genPlotTitleCmd(..., vector=FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>...</code>	one or more strings that will be pasted together to form the main title.
<code>vector</code>	whether to return a vector as the result.

Author(s)

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References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

See Also

[eval](#), [title](#), [plotRisk](#).

Examples

```
# generate some random plot
plot(rnorm(100))

# generate the string representing the command to add titles
t1 <- genPlotTitleCmd("Sample Plot of", "No Particular Importance")

# cause the string to be executed as an R command
eval(parse(text=t1))
```

listAdaVarsUsed	<i>List the variables used by an adaboost model</i>
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Description

Returns a list of the variables used and their frequencies.

Usage

```
listAdaVarsUsed(model)
```

Arguments

model an rpart object.

Author(s)

<Graham.Williams@togaware.com>

References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

listTreesAda	<i>List trees from an Ada model</i>
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Description

Display the textual representation of a selection of Ada trees.

Usage

```
listTreesAda(model, trees=0)
```

Arguments

model	an ada model.
trees	The list of trees to list. Use 0 to list all trees.

Details

Using rpart's print method display each of the specified trees from an Ada model.

Author(s)

<Graham.Williams@togaware.com>

References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

Examples

```
## Not run: listTreesAda(ds.ada)
```

listVersions	<i>Versions of Installed Packages</i>
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Description

Generate a list of packages installed and their version number.

Usage

```
listVersions(file="", ...)
```


Arguments

file	a character string naming a file or a connection open for writing. "" indicates output to the console.
...	arguments to <code>write.csv</code> .

Details

This function is useful in reporting problems or bugs, to ensure there is a clear match of R package versions between the system exhibiting the issue and the test system replicating the issue.

By default the information is written to the console in a comma separated form, that is ideally designed to be written to a CSV file for emailing.

Author(s)

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See Also

`write.csv`

modalvalue

Calculate the mode of a vector, array or list.

Description

The mode is the most common or modal value of a list. This function calculates the mode of a vector, array or list (lists are flattened).

Usage

```
modalvalue(x, na.rm=FALSE)
```

Arguments

x	A vector, array or list.
na.rm	Whether to remove missing values.

Details

Rattle needed this function, and R does not provide one. This version came from the R Wiki.

References

R Wiki: <http://wiki.r-project.org/rwiki/doku.php?id=tips:stats-basic:modalvalue>

plotOptimalLine	<i>Plot three lines on a risk chart, one vertical and two horizontal</i>
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Description

Plots a a vertical line at x up to max of y1 and y2, then horizontal from this line at y1 and y2.
Intended for plotting on a plotRisk.

Usage

```
plotOptimalLine(x, y1, y2, pr = NULL, colour = "plum", label = NULL)
```

Arguments

x	location of vertical line.
y1	location of one horizontal line.
y2	location of other horizontal line.
pr	A print a percentage at this point.
colour	of the line.
label	at bottom of line.

Details

Intended to plot an optimal line on a Risk Chart as plotted by plotRisk.

Author(s)

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References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

See Also

[plotRisk](#).

Examples

```
## this is usually used in the context of the plotRisk function
## Not run: ev <- evaluateRisk(predicted, actual, risk)

## imitate this output here
ev <- NULL
ev$Caseload <- c(1.0, 0.8, 0.6, 0.4, 0.2, 0)
ev$Precision <- c(0.15, 0.18, 0.21, 0.25, 0.28, 0.30)
ev$Recall <- c(1.0, 0.95, 0.80, 0.75, 0.5, 0.0)
```

```

ev$Risk      <- c(1.0, 0.98, 0.90, 0.77, 0.30, 0.0)

## plot the Risk Chart
plotRisk(ev$Caseload, ev$Precision, ev$Recall, ev$Risk,
         chosen=60, chosen.label="Pr=0.45")

## plot the optimal point
plotOptimalline(40, 77, 75, colour="maroon")

```

plotRisk

Plot a risk chart

Description

Plots a Rattle Risk Chart. Such a chart has been developed in a practical context to present the performance of data mining models to clients, plotting a caseload against performance, allowing a client to see the tradeoff between coverage and performance.

Usage

```

plotRisk(cl, pr, re, ri = NULL, title = NULL,
         show.legend = TRUE, xleg = 60, yleg = 55,
         optimal = NULL, optimal.label = "", chosen = NULL, chosen.label = "",
         include.baseline = TRUE, dev = "", filename = "", show.knots = NULL,
         show.lift=TRUE, show.precision=TRUE,
         risk.name = "Risk", recall.name = "Recall",
         precision.name = "Precision")

```

Arguments

cl	a vector of caseloads corresponding to different probability cutoffs. Can be either percentages (between 0 and 100) or fractions (between 0 and 1).
pr	a vector of precision values for each probability cutoff. Can be either percentages (between 0 and 100) or fractions (between 0 and 1).
re	a vector of recall values for each probability cutoff. Can be either percentages (between 0 and 100) or fractions (between 0 and 1).
ri	a vector of risk values for each probability cutoff. Can be either percentages (between 0 and 100) or fractions (between 0 and 1).
title	the main title to place at the top of the plot.
show.legend	whether to display the legend in the plot.
xleg	the x coordinate for the placement of the legend.
yleg	the y coordinate for the placement of the legend.
optimal	a caseload (percentage or fraction) that represents an optimal performance point which is also plotted. If instead the value is TRUE then the optimal point is identified internally (maximum value for (recall-casload)+(risk-caseload)) and plotted.

<code>optimal.label</code>	a string which is added to label the line drawn as the optimal point.
<code>chosen</code>	a caseload (percentage or fraction) that represents a user chosen optimal performance point which is also plotted.
<code>chosen.label</code>	a string which is added to label the line drawn as the chosen point.
<code>include.baseline</code>	if TRUE (the default) then display the diagonal baseline.
<code>dev</code>	a string which, if supplied, identifies a device type as the target for the plot. This might be one of <code>wmf</code> (for generating a Windows Metafile, but only available on MS/Windows), <code>pdf</code> , or <code>png</code> .
<code>filename</code>	a string naming a file. If <code>dev</code> is not given then the filename extension is used to identify the image format as one of those recognised by the <code>dev</code> argument.
<code>show.knots</code>	a vector of caseload values at which a vertical line should be drawn. These might correspond, for example, to individual paths through a decision tree, illustrating the impact of each path on the caseload and performance.
<code>show.lift</code>	whether to label the right axis with lift.
<code>show.precision</code>	whether to show the precision plot.
<code>risk.name</code>	a string used within the plot's legend that gives a name to the risk. Often the risk is a dollar amount at risk from a fraud or from a bank loan point of view, so the default is Revenue.
<code>recall.name</code>	a string used within the plot's legend that gives a name to the recall. The recall is often the percentage of cases that are positive hits, and in practise these might correspond to known cases of fraud or reviews where some adjustment to perhaps a incom tax return or application for credit had to be made on reviewing the case, and so the default is Adjustments.
<code>precision.name</code>	a string used within the plot's legend that gives a name to the precision. A common name for precision is Strike Rate, which is the default here.

Details

Caseload is the percentage of the entities in the dataset covered by the model at a particular probability cutoff, so that with a cutoff of 0, all (100%) of the entities are covered by the model. With a cutoff of 1 (0%) no entities are covered by the model. A diagonal line is drawn to represent a baseline random performance. Then the percentage of positive cases (the recall) covered for a particular caseload is plotted, and optionally a measure of the percentage of the total risk that is also covered for a particular caseload may be plotted. Such a chart allows a user to select an appropriate tradeoff between caseload and performance. The charts are similar to ROC curves. The precision (i.e., strike rate) is also plotted.

Author(s)

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References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

See Also

[evaluateRisk](#), [genPlotTitleCmd](#).

Examples

```
## this is usually used in the context of the evaluateRisk function
## Not run: ev <- evaluateRisk(predicted, actual, risk)

## imitate this output here
ev <- NULL
ev$Caseload <- c(1.0, 0.8, 0.6, 0.4, 0.2, 0)
ev$Precision <- c(0.15, 0.18, 0.21, 0.25, 0.28, 0.30)
ev$Recall <- c(1.0, 0.95, 0.80, 0.75, 0.5, 0.0)
ev$Risk <- c(1.0, 0.98, 0.90, 0.77, 0.30, 0.0)

## plot the Risk Chart
plotRisk(ev$Caseload, ev$Precision, ev$Recall, ev$Risk,
         chosen=60, chosen.label="Pr=0.45")

## Add a title
eval(parse(text=genPlotTitleCmd("Sample Risk Chart")))
```

printRandomForests	<i>Print a representaion of the Random Forest models to the console</i>
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Description

A randomForest model, by default, consists of 500 decision trees. This function walks through each tree and generates a set of rules which are printed to the console. This takes a considerable amount of time and is provided for users to access the actual model, but it is not yet used within the Rattle GUI. It may be used to display the output of the RF (but it takes longer to generate than the model itself!). Or it might only be used on export to PMML or SQL.

Usage

```
printRandomForests(model, models=NULL, include.class=NULL, format="")
```

Arguments

model	a randomForest model.
models	a list of integers limiting the models in MODEL that are displayed.
include.class	limit the output to the specific class.
format	possible values are "VB".

Author(s)

<Graham.Williams@togaware.com>

References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

Examples

```
## Display a ruleset for a specific model amongst the 500.
## Not run: printRandomForests(rfmodel, 5)

## Display a ruleset for specific models amongst the 500.
## Not run: printRandomForests(rfmodel, c(5,10,15))

## Display a ruleset for each of the 500 models.
## Not run: printRandomForests(rfmodel)
```

randomForest2Rules	<i>Generate accessible data structure of a randomForest model</i>
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Description

A randomForest model, by default, consists of 500 decision trees. This function walks through each tree and generates a set of rules. This takes a considerable amount of time and is provided for users to access the actual model, but it is not yet used within the Rattle GUI. It may be used to display the output of the RF (but it takes longer to generate than the model itself!). Or it might only be used on export to PMML or SQL.

Usage

```
randomForest2Rules(model, models=NULL)
```

Arguments

model	a randomForest model.
models	a list of integers limiting the models in MODEL that are converted.

Author(s)

<Graham.Williams@togaware.com>

References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

Examples

```
## Generate a ruleset for a specific model amongst the 500.
## Not run: randomForest2Rules(rfmodel, 5)

## Generate a ruleset for specific models amongst the 500.
## Not run: randomForest2Rules(rfmodel, c(5,10,15))

## Generate a ruleset for each of the 500 models.
## Not run: randomForest2Rules(rfmodel)
```

rattle

Display the Rattle User Interface

Description

The Rattle user interface uses the RGtk2 package to present an intuitive point and click interface for data mining, extensively building on the excellent collection of R packages by very many authors for data manipulation, exploration, analysis, and evaluation.

Usage

```
rattle(csvname=NULL, dataset=NULL, useGtkBuilder=NULL)
```

Arguments

csvname	the optional name of a CSV file to load into Rattle on startup.
dataset	The optional name as a character string of a dataset to load into Rattle on startup.
useGtkBuilder	if not supplied then automatically determine whether to use the new GtkBuilder rather than the deprecated libglade. A user can override the heuristic choice with TRUE or FALSE.

Details

Refer to the Rattle home page in the URL below for a growing reference manual for using Rattle.

Whilst the underlying functionality of Rattle is built upon a vast collection of other R packages, Rattle itself provides a collection of utility functions used within Rattle. These are made available through loading the rattle package into your R library. The See Also section lists these utility functions that may be useful outside of Rattle.

Rattle can initialise some options using a .Rattle file if the folder in which Rattle is started. The currently supported options are .RATTLE.DATA, .RATTLE.SCORE.IN, and .RATTLE.SCORE.OUT.

If the environment variable RATTLE_DATA is defined then that is set as the default CSV file name to load. Otherwise, if .RATTLE.DATA is defined then that will be used as the CSV file to load. Otherwise, if csvname is provided then that will be used.

Two environments are exported by Rattle, capturing the current rattle state (crs) and the current rattle variables (crv).

Author(s)

<Graham.Williams@togaware.com>

References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

See Also

[evaluateRisk](#), [genPlotTitleCmd](#), [plotRisk](#).

Examples

```
# You can start rattle with a path to a csv file to pre-specify the
# dataset. You then need to click Execute to load the data.

## Not run: rattle(system.file("csv", "weather.csv", package = "rattle"))
```

```
rattle.print.summary.multinom
```

Print information about a multinomial model

Description

Displays a textual review of the performance of a multinom model.

Usage

```
rattle.print.summary.multinom(x, digits = x$digits, ...)
```

Arguments

x	An rpart object.
digits	Number of digits to print for numbers.
...	Other arguments.

Details

Print a summary of a multinom model. This is simply a modification of the `print.summary.multinom` function to add the number of entities!

Author(s)

<Graham.Williams@togaware.com>

References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

`rattleInfo`*Extract Rattle and related package information.*

Description

Display system information, including versions of Rattle and R, operating system, and versions of other packages used by Rattle. Useful for reporting bugs but also invisibly returns a list of packages that have updates available and can be passed to `install.packages()`.

Usage

```
rattleInfo(all.dependencies=FALSE,  
           include.not.installed=FALSE,  
           include.not.available=FALSE,  
           include.libpath=FALSE)
```

Arguments

`all.dependencies`

If TRUE then check the full dependency graph for Rattle and list all of those packages (which may take quite a few seconds to compute), or else just list those key packages that Rattle Depends on and Suggests.

`include.not.installed`

If TRUE then make mention of any packages that are not installed, but are available.

`include.not.available`

If TRUE then make mention of any packages that are not available from CRAN.

`include.libpath`

If TRUE then list the library location where each package is installed.

Details

This is a support function to list useful information to provide the developers with information about the system environment when running Rattle. It is intended to provide the information that is useful in reporting bugs.

It also lists the currently installed version of a number of packages that Rattle makes use of as well as checking for any updates available for those packages.

If updates are found then a command is generated and printed so that a user can simply copy and paste the command to update the relevant packages. The function also invisibly returns the list of packages that can be updated, so that we can do something like: `install.packages(rattleInfo())`.

Author(s)

<Graham.Williams@togaware.com>

References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

See Also

[rattle.](#)

rescale.by.group	<i>Transform a numeric vector by grouping it according to the values of the supplied factor and then rescaling within the groups.</i>
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Description

The numeric vector is remapped to integers from 0 to max-1, with any missing values mapped to the midpoint. Original idea from Tony Nolan. This will eventually be generalised to do the remapping using any of the rescaling functions.

Usage

```
rescale.by.group(x, by=NULL, type = "irank", itop = 100)
```

Arguments

x	The numeric vector to rescale.
by	A factor of the same length as x used to define the groups.
type	The type of rescaling to perform.
itop	For an integer remapping this is the number of groups, so that the numeric values are mapped to the integers from 0 to (max-1).

Details

This Rattle support function, which is also useful by itself, provides a simple mechanism to rescale a numeric variable. Several rescalings are possible. The rescaling is done by first grouping the observations according to the by argument.

Author(s)

<Graham.Williams@togaware.com>

References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

See Also

[rattle.](#)

riskchart

*Plot a risk chart***Description**

Plots a Rattle Risk Chart using ggplot2. Such a chart has been developed in a practical context to present the performance of data mining models to clients, plotting a caseload against performance, allowing a client to see the tradeoff between coverage and performance.

Usage

```
riskchart(pr, ac, ri=NULL,
          title=NULL,
          show.legend = TRUE,
          optimal = NULL, optimal.label = "", chosen = NULL, chosen.label = "",
          include.baseline = TRUE, dev = "", filename = "", show.knots = NULL,
          show.lift=TRUE, show.precision=TRUE, show.maximal = TRUE,
          risk.name = "Risk", recall.name = "Recall",
          precision.name = "Precision", thresholds=NULL)
```

Arguments

<code>pr</code>	The predicted class for each observation.
<code>ac</code>	The actual class for each observation.
<code>ri</code>	The risk class for each observation.
<code>title</code>	the main title to place at the top of the plot.
<code>show.legend</code>	whether to display the legend in the plot.
<code>optimal</code>	a caseload (percentage or fraction) that represents an optimal performance point which is also plotted. If instead the value is TRUE then the optimal point is identified internally (maximum value for (recall-caseload)+(risk-caseload)) and plotted.
<code>optimal.label</code>	a string which is added to label the line drawn as the optimal point.
<code>chosen</code>	a caseload (percentage or fraction) that represents a user chosen optimal performance point which is also plotted.
<code>chosen.label</code>	a string which is added to label the line drawn as the chosen point.
<code>include.baseline</code>	if TRUE (the default) then display the diagonal baseline.
<code>dev</code>	a string which, if supplied, identifies a device type as the target for the plot. This might be one of <code>wmf</code> (for generating a Windows Metafile, but only available on MS/Windows), <code>pdf</code> , or <code>png</code> .
<code>filename</code>	a string naming a file. If <code>dev</code> is not given then the filename extension is used to identify the image format as one of those recognised by the <code>dev</code> argument.

<code>show.knots</code>	a vector of caseload values at which a vertical line should be drawn. These might correspond, for example, to individual paths through a decision tree, illustrating the impact of each path on the caseload and performance.
<code>show.lift</code>	whether to label the right axis with lift.
<code>show.precision</code>	whether to show the precision plot.
<code>show.maximal</code>	whether to show the maximal performance line.
<code>risk.name</code>	a string used within the plot's legend that gives a name to the risk. Often the risk is a dollar amount at risk from a fraud or from a bank loan point of view, so the default is Revenue.
<code>recall.name</code>	a string used within the plot's legend that gives a name to the recall. The recall is often the percentage of cases that are positive hits, and in practise these might correspond to known cases of fraud or reviews where some adjustment to perhaps a incom tax return or application for credit had to be made on reviewing the case, and so the default is Adjustments.
<code>precision.name</code>	a string used within the plot's legend that gives a name to the precision. A common name for precision is Strike Rate, which is the default here.
<code>thresholds</code>	whether to display scores along the top axis.

Details

Caseload is the percentage of the entities in the dataset covered by the model at a particular probability cutoff, so that with a cutoff of 0, all (100%) of the entities are covered by the model. With a cutoff of 1 (0%) no entities are covered by the model. A diagonal line is drawn to represent a baseline random performance. Then the percentage of positive cases (the recall) covered for a particular caseload is plotted, and optionally a measure of the percentage of the total risk that is also covered for a particular caseload may be plotted. Such a chart allows a user to select an appropriate tradeoff between caseload and performance. The charts are similar to ROC curves. The precision (i.e., strike rate) is also plotted.

Author(s)

<Graham.Williams@togaware.com>

References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

See Also

[evaluateRisk](#), [genPlotTitleCmd](#).

Examples

```
## Use rpart to build a decision tree.

library(rpart)

## Set up the data for modelling.
```

```

set.seed(42)
ds      <- weather
target <- "RainTomorrow"
risk    <- "RISK_MM"
ignore  <- c("Date", "Location", risk)
vars    <- setdiff(names(ds), ignore)
nobs    <- nrow(ds)
form    <- formula(paste(target, "~ ."))
train   <- sample(nobs, 0.7*nobs)
test    <- setdiff(seq_len(nobs), train)
actual  <- ds[test, target]
risks   <- ds[test, risk]

# Build the model.

model <- rpart(form, data=ds[train, vars])

## Obtain predictions.

predicted <- predict(model, ds[test, vars], type="prob")[,2]

## Plot the Risk Chart.

riskchart(predicted, actual, risks)

```

savePlotToFile	<i>Save a plot in some way</i>
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Description

For the current device, or for the device identified, save the plot displayed there in some way. This is either saved to file, copied to the clipboard for pasting into other applications, or sent to the printer for saving a hard copy.

Usage

```

savePlotToFile(file.name, dev.num=dev.cur())
copyPlotToClipboard(dev.num=dev.cur())
printPlot(dev.num=dev.cur())

```

Arguments

file.name	Character string naming the file including the file name extension which is used to specify the type of file to save.
dev.num	A device number indicating which device to save.

Author(s)

<Graham.Williams@togaware.com>

References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

setupDataset	<i>Given specific contents of env add other dataset related variables.</i>
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Description

This rattle support function is used for encapsulating data mining objects. The supplied environment is augmented with other data derived from the supplied data, such as a sample training dataset, list of numeric variables, and a formula for modelling.

Usage

```
setupDataset(env, seed=NULL)
```

Arguments

env	the environment to modify.
seed	optionally set the seed for repeatability.

Details

The supplied object (an environment) is assumed to also contain the variables data (a data frame), target (a character string naming the target variable), risk (a character string naming the risk variable), and inputs (a character vector naming all the input variables). This function then adds in the variables vars (the variables used for modelling), numerics (the numeric vars within inputs), nobs (the number of observations), form (the formula for building models), train (a 70% training dataset).

Author(s)

<Graham.Williams@togaware.com>

References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

treeset.randomForest	<i>Generate a representation of a tree in a Random Forest</i>
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Description

Often we want to view the actual trees built by a random forest. Although reviewing all 500 trees might be a bit much, this function allows us to at least list them.

Usage

```
treeset.randomForest(model, n=1, root=1, format="R")
```

Arguments

model	a randomForest model.
n	a specific tree to list.
root	where to start the stree from, primarily for internal use.
format	one of "R", "VB".

Author(s)

<Graham.Williams@togaware.com>

References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

Examples

```
## Display a treeset for a specific model amongst the 500.  
## Not run: treeset.randomForests(rfmodel, 5)
```

weather	<i>Sample and full dataset for illustrating Rattle functionality.</i>
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Description

Weather observations from a number of locations around Australia, obtained from the Australian Commonwealth Bureau of Meteorology and processed to create a sample dataset for illustrating data mining using R and Rattle.

The data has been processed to provide a target variable RainTomorrow (whether there is rain on the following day - No/Yes) and a risk variable RISK_MM (how much rain). Various transformations are performed on the data.

The weather dataset is a fixed subset of the full weatherAUS dataset, for the purpose of repeatable demonstration. It includes only one year of data for a single weather station.

The weatherAUS dataset is ever changing, with each release of Rattle. It is updated from the Bureau of Meteorology web site regularly.

The locationsAUS dataset records the location of each weather station.

The source dataset is Copyright by the Australian Commonwealth Bureau of Meteorology and used with permission.

Usage

```
weather
weatherAUS
```

Format

The weather dataset is a data frame containing one year of daily observations from a single weather station (Canberra). The weatherAUS dataset is a data frame containing over 35,000 daily observations from over 45 Australian weather stations.

Date The date of observation (a Date object).

Location The common name of the location of the weather station.

MinTemp The minimum temperature in degrees celcius.

MaxTemp The maximum temperature in degrees celcius.

Rainfall The amount of rainfall recorded for the day in mm.

Evaporation The so-called Class A pan evaporation (mm) in the 24 hours to 9am.

Sunshine The number of hours of bright sunshine in the day.

WindGustDir The direction of the strongest wind gust in the 24 hours to midnight.

WindGustSpeed The speed (km/h) of the strongest wind gust in the 24 hours to midnight.

Temp9am Temperature (degrees C) at 9am.

RelHumid9am Relative humidity (percent) at 9am.

Cloud9am Fraction of sky obscured by cloud at 9am. This is measured in "oktas", which are a unit of eighths. It records how many eighths of the sky are obscured by cloud. A 0 measure indicates completely clear sky whilst an 8 indicates that it is completely overcast.

WindSpeed9am Wind speed (km/hr) averaged over 10 minutes prior to 9am.

Pressure9am Atmospheric pressure (hpa) reduced to mean sea level at 9am.

Temp3pm Temperature (degrees C) at 3pm.

RelHumid3pm Relative humidity (percent) at 3pm.

Cloud3pm Fraction of sky obscured by cloud (in "oktas": eighths) at 3pm. See Cloud9am for a description of the values.

WindSpeed3pm Wind speed (km/hr) averaged over 10 minutes prior to 3pm.

Pressure3pm Atmospheric pressure (hpa) reduced to mean sea level at 3pm.

ChangeTemp Change in temperature.

ChangeTempDir Direction of change in temperature.

ChangeTempMag Magnitude of change in temperature.

ChangeWindDirect Direction of wind change.

MaxWindPeriod Period of maximum wind.

RainToday Integer: 1 if precipitation (mm) in the 24 hours to 9am exceeds 1mm, otherwise 0.

TempRange Difference between minimum and maximum temperatures (degrees C) in the 24 hours to 9am.

PressureChange Change in pressure.

RISK_MM The amount of rain. A kind of measure of the "risk".

RainTomorrow The target variable. Did it rain tomorrow?

Author(s)

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Source

Observations were drawn from numerous weather stations. The daily observations are available from <http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/data>. Copyright Commonwealth of Australia 2010, Bureau of Meteorology.

Definitions adapted from <http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/dwo/IDCJDW00000.shtml>

References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>. Data source: <http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/dwo/> and <http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/data>.

See Also

[audit](#).

whichNumerics

Returns a list of the names of the numeric variables in a data frame.

Description

A rattle support function.

Usage

```
whichNumerics(data)
```

Arguments

data a data frame.

Author(s)

<Graham.Williams@togaware.com>

References

Package home page: <http://rattle.togaware.com>

wine

The wine dataset from the UCI Machine Learning Repository.

Description

The wine dataset contains the results of a chemical analysis of wines grown in a specific area of Italy. Three types of wine are represented in the 178 samples, with the results of 13 chemical analyses recorded for each sample. The Type variable has been transformed into a categorical variable.

The data contains no missing values and consists of only numeric data, with a three class target variable (Type) for classification.

Usage

wine

Format

A data frame containing 178 observations of 13 variables.

Type The type of wine, into one of three classes, 1 (59 obs), 2(71 obs), and 3 (48 obs).

Alcohol Alcohol

Malic Malic acid

Ash Ash

Alcalinity Alcalinity of ash

Magnesium Magnesium

Phenols Total phenols

Flavanoids Flavanoids

Nonflavanoids Nonflavanoid phenols

Proanthocyanins Proanthocyanins

Color Color intensity.

Hue Hue

Dilution D280/OD315 of diluted wines.

Proline Proline

Source

The data was downloaded from the UCI Machine Learning Repository.

It was read as a CSV file with no header using `read.csv`. The columns were then given the appropriate names using `colnames` and the Type was transformed into a factor using `as.factor`. The compressed R data file was saved using `save`:

```
UCI <- "http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml"
REPOS <- "machine-learning-databases"
wine.url <- sprintf("
wine <- read.csv(wine.url, header=FALSE)
colnames(wine) <- c('Type', 'Alcohol', 'Malic', 'Ash',
                    'Alcalinity', 'Magnesium', 'Phenols',
                    'Flavanoids', 'Nonflavanoids',
                    'Proanthocyanins', 'Color', 'Hue',
                    'Dilution', 'Proline')
wine$Type <- as.factor(wine$Type)
save(wine, file="wine.Rdata", compress=TRUE)
```

References

Asuncion, A. & Newman, D.J. (2007). *UCI Machine Learning Repository* [<http://www.ics.uci.edu/~mllearn/MLRepository.html>]. Irvine, CA: University of California, School of Information and Computer Science.

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