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Create DOT Representations

Description

Write a DOT language representation of an object for processing via Graphviz.

Usage

```
write_to_dot(x, con = stdout(), ...)
## S3 method for class 'Weka_classifier'
write_to_dot(x, con = stdout(), ...)
```

Arguments

```
x an R object.
con a connection for writing the representation to.
... additional arguments to be passed from or to methods.
```

Details

Graphviz (http://www.graphviz.org) is open source graph visualization software providing several main graph layout programs, of which dot makes "hierarchical" or layered drawings of directed graphs, and hence is typically most suitable for visualizing classification trees.

Using dot, the representation in file 'foo.dot' can be transformed to PostScript or other displayable graphical formats using (a variant of) dot -Tps foo.dot >foo.ps.

Some Weka classifiers (e.g., tree learners such as J48 and M5P) implement a "Drawable" interface providing DOT representations of the fitted models. For such classifiers, the write_to_dot method writes the representation to the specified connection.

```
evaluate_Weka_classifier
```

Model Statistics for R/Weka Classifiers

Description

Compute model performance statistics for a fitted Weka classifier.

Usage

Arguments

object a Weka_classifier object.

newdata an optional data frame in which to look for variables with which to evaluate. If

omitted or NULL, the training instances are used.

cost a square matrix of (mis)classification costs.

numFolds the number of folds to use in cross-validation.

complexity option to include entropy-based statistics.

class option to include class statistics. seed optional seed for cross-validation.

... further arguments passed to other methods (see details).

Details

The function computes and extracts a non-redundant set of performance statistics that is suitable for model interpretation. By default the statistics are computed on the training data.

Currently argument . . . only supports the logical variable normalize which tells Weka to normalize the cost matrix so that the cost of a correct classification is zero.

Note that if the class variable is numeric only a subset of the statistics are available. Arguments complexity and class are then not applicable and therefore ignored.

Value

An object of class Weka_classifier_evaluation, a list of the following components:

character, concatenation of the string representations of the performance statistics.

details vector, base statistics, e.g., the percentage of instances correctly classified, etc. detailsComplexity vector, entropy-based statistics (if selected).

detailsClass matrix, class statistics, e.g., the true positive rate, etc., for each level of the response variable (if selected).

confusionMatrix table, cross-classification of true and predicted classes.

References

I. H. Witten and E. Frank (2005). *Data Mining: Practical Machine Learning Tools and Techniques*. 2nd Edition, Morgan Kaufmann, San Francisco.

Examples

```
predict_Weka_classifier
```

Model Predictions for R/Weka Classifiers

Description

Predicted values based on fitted Weka classifier models.

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Usage

Arguments

object an object of class inheriting from Weka_classifier.

newdata an optional data frame in which to look for variables with which to predict. If

omitted or NULL, the training instances are used.

type character string determining whether classes should be predicted (numeric for

regression, factor for classification) or class probabilities (only available for

classification). May be abbreviated.

... further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

Either a vector with classes or a matrix with the posterior class probabilities, with rows corresponding to instances and columns to classes.

```
predict_Weka_clusterer
```

Class Predictions for R/Weka Clusterers

Description

Predict class ids or memberships based on fitted Weka clusterers.

Usage

Arguments

object an object of class inheriting from Weka_clusterer.

newdata an optional data set for predictions are sought. This must be given for predict-

ing class memberships. If omitted or NULL, the training instances are used for

predicting class ids.

type a character string indicating whether class ids or memberships should be re-

turned. May be abbreviated.

... further arguments passed to or from other methods.

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Details

It is only possible to predict class memberships if the Weka clusterer provides a distributionForInstance method.

read.arff

Read Data from ARFF Files

Description

Reads data from Weka Attribute-Relation File Format (ARFF) files.

Usage

```
read.arff(file)
```

Arguments

file

a character string with the name of the ARFF file to read from, or a connection which will be opened if necessary, and if so closed at the end of the function call.

Value

A data frame containing the data from the ARFF file.

References

Attribute-Relation File Format http://weka.wiki.sourceforge.net/ARFF

See Also

```
write.arff
```

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R/Weka Associators

Description

R interfaces to Weka association rule learning algorithms.

Usage

```
Apriori(x, control = NULL)
Tertius(x, control = NULL)
```

Arguments

X

an R object with the data to be associated.

control

an object of class Weka_control, or a character vector of control options, or NULL (default). Available options can be obtained on-line using the Weka Option

Wizard WOW, or the Weka documentation.

Details

Apriori implements an Apriori-type algorithm, which iteratively reduces the minimum support until it finds the required number of rules with the given minimum confidence.

Tertius implements a Tertius-type algorithm.

See the references for more information on these algorithms.

Value

A list inheriting from class Weka_associators with components including

associator

a reference (of class jobjRef) to a Java object obtained by applying the Weka buildAssociations method to the training instances using the given control options.

Note

Tertius requires Weka package tertius to be installed.

References

R. Agrawal and R. Srikant (1994). Fast algorithms for mining association rules in large databases. *Proceedings of the International Conference on Very Large Databases*, 478–499. Santiago, Chile: Morgan Kaufmann, Los Altos, CA.

P. A. Flach and N. Lachiche (1999). Confirmation-guided discovery of first-order rules with Tertius. *Machine Learning*, **42**, 61–95.

I. H. Witten and E. Frank (2005). *Data Mining: Practical Machine Learning Tools and Techniques*. 2nd Edition, Morgan Kaufmann, San Francisco.

Examples

Weka_attribute_evaluators

R/Weka Attribute Evaluators

Description

R interfaces to Weka attribute evaluators.

Usage

```
GainRatioAttributeEval(formula, data, subset, na.action, control = NULL)
InfoGainAttributeEval(formula, data, subset, na.action, control = NULL)
```

Arguments

formula	a symbolic description	n of a model.	Note that for	unsupervised filters the re-

sponse can be omitted.

data an optional data frame containing the variables in the model.

subset an optional vector specifying a subset of observations to be used in the fitting

process.

na.action a function which indicates what should happen when the data contain NAs. See

model.frame for details.

control an object of class Weka_control, or a character vector of control options, or

NULL (default). Available options can be obtained on-line using the Weka Option

Wizard WOW, or the Weka documentation.

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Details

GainRatioAttributeEval evaluates the worth of an attribute by measuring the gain ratio with respect to the class.

InfoGainAttributeEval evaluates the worth of an attribute by measuring the information gain with respect to the class.

Value

A numeric vector with the figures of merit for the attributes specified by the right hand side of formula.

Examples

InfoGainAttributeEval(Species ~ . , data = iris)

Weka_classifiers

R/Weka Classifiers

Description

R interfaces to Weka classifiers.

Details

Supervised learners, i.e., algorithms for classification and regression, are termed "classifiers" by Weka. (Numeric prediction, i.e., regression, is interpreted as prediction of a continuous class.)

R interface functions to Weka classifiers are created by make_Weka_classifier, and have formals formula, data, subset, na.action, and control (default: none), where the first four have the "usual" meanings for statistical modeling functions in R, and the last again specifies the control options to be employed by the Weka learner.

By default, the model formulae should only use the '+' and '-' operators to indicate the variables to be included or not used, respectively.

See model.frame for details on how na.action is used.

Objects created by these interfaces always inherit from class Weka_classifier, and have at least suitable print, summary (via evaluate_Weka_classifier), and predict methods.

See Also

Available "standard" interface functions are documented in Weka_classifier_functions (regression and classification function learners), Weka_classifier_lazy (lazy learners), Weka_classifier_meta (meta learners), Weka_classifier_rules (rule learners), and Weka_classifier_trees (regression and classification tree learners).

```
Weka_classifier_functions
```

R/Weka Classifier Functions

Description

R interfaces to Weka regression and classification function learners.

Usage

Arguments

formula a symbolic description of the model to be fit. data an optional data frame containing the variables in the model. an optional vector specifying a subset of observations to be used in the fitting subset process. na.action a function which indicates what should happen when the data contain NAs. See model. frame for details. an object of class Weka_control giving options to be passed to the Weka learner. control Available options can be obtained on-line using the Weka Option Wizard WOW, or the Weka documentation. a named list of further options, or NULL (default). See **Details**. options

Details

There are a predict method for predicting from the fitted models, and a summary method based on evaluate_Weka_classifier.

LinearRegression builds suitable linear regression models, using the Akaike criterion for model selection.

Logistic builds multinomial logistic regression models based on ridge estimation (le Cessie and van Houwelingen, 1992).

SMO implements John C. Platt's sequential minimal optimization algorithm for training a support vector classifier using polynomial or RBF kernels. Multi-class problems are solved using pairwise classification.

The model formulae should only use the '+' and '-' operators to indicate the variables to be included or not used, respectively.

Argument options allows further customization. Currently, options model and instances (or partial matches for these) are used: if set to TRUE, the model frame or the corresponding Weka instances, respectively, are included in the fitted model object, possibly speeding up subsequent computations on the object. By default, neither is included.

Value

A list inheriting from classes Weka_functions and Weka_classifiers with components including

classifier a reference (of class jobjRef) to a Java object obtained by applying the Weka

 $\label{lem:buildClassifier} build Classifier \ method \ to \ build \ the \ specified \ model \ using \ the \ given \ control$

options.

predictions a numeric vector or factor with the model predictions for the training instances

(the results of calling the Weka classifyInstance method for the built classi-

fier and each instance).

call the matched call.

References

J. C. Platt (1998). Fast training of Support Vector Machines using Sequential Minimal Optimization. In B. Schoelkopf, C. Burges, and A. Smola (eds.), *Advances in Kernel Methods — Support Vector Learning*. MIT Press.

I. H. Witten and E. Frank (2005). *Data Mining: Practical Machine Learning Tools and Techniques*. 2nd Edition, Morgan Kaufmann, San Francisco.

See Also

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```
## Linear regression:
## Using standard data set 'mtcars'.
LinearRegression(mpg ~ ., data = mtcars)
## Compare to R:
step(lm(mpg \sim ., data = mtcars), trace = 0)
## Using standard data set 'chickwts'.
LinearRegression(weight ~ feed, data = chickwts)
## (Note the interactions!)
## Logistic regression:
## Using standard data set 'infert'.
STATUS <- factor(infert$case, labels = c("control", "case"))</pre>
Logistic(STATUS ~ spontaneous + induced, data = infert)
## Compare to R:
glm(STATUS ~ spontaneous + induced, data = infert, family = binomial())
## Sequential minimal optimization algorithm for training a support
## vector classifier, using am RBF kernel with a non-default gamma
```

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Description

R interfaces to Weka lazy learners.

Usage

```
IBk(formula, data, subset, na.action,
    control = Weka_control(), options = NULL)
LBR(formula, data, subset, na.action,
    control = Weka_control(), options = NULL)
```

Arguments

formula a symbolic description of the model to be fit.

data an optional data frame containing the variables in the model.

subset an optional vector specifying a subset of observations to be used in the fitting

process.

na.action a function which indicates what should happen when the data contain NAs. See

model.frame for details.

control an object of class Weka_control giving options to be passed to the Weka learner.

Available options can be obtained on-line using the Weka Option Wizard WOW,

or the Weka documentation.

options a named list of further options, or NULL (default). See **Details**.

Details

There are a predict method for predicting from the fitted models, and a summary method based on evaluate_Weka_classifier.

IBk provides a k-nearest neighbors classifier, see Aha & Kibler (1991).

LBR ("Lazy Bayesian Rules") implements a lazy learning approach to lessening the attribute-independence assumption of naive Bayes as suggested by Zheng & Webb (2000).

The model formulae should only use the '+' and '-' operators to indicate the variables to be included or not used, respectively.

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Argument options allows further customization. Currently, options model and instances (or partial matches for these) are used: if set to TRUE, the model frame or the corresponding Weka instances, respectively, are included in the fitted model object, possibly speeding up subsequent computations on the object. By default, neither is included.

Value

A list inheriting from classes Weka_lazy and Weka_classifiers with components including

classifier a reference (of class jobjRef) to a Java object obtained by applying the Weka

buildClassifier method to build the specified model using the given control

options.

predictions a numeric vector or factor with the model predictions for the training instances

(the results of calling the Weka classifyInstance method for the built classi-

fier and each instance).

call the matched call.

Note

LBR requires Weka package lazyBayesianRules to be installed.

References

- D. Aha and D. Kibler (1991). Instance-based learning algorithms. *Machine Learning*, **6**, 37–66.
- Z. Zheng and G. Webb (2000). Lazy learning of Bayesian rules. Machine Learning, 41/1, 53-84.

See Also

Weka_classifiers

Description

R interfaces to Weka meta learners.

Usage

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Arguments

formula a symbolic description of the model to be fit.

data an optional data frame containing the variables in the model.

subset an optional vector specifying a subset of observations to be used in the fitting

process.

na.action a function which indicates what should happen when the data contain NAs. See

model.frame for details.

control an object of class Weka_control giving options to be passed to the Weka learner.

Available options can be obtained on-line using the Weka Option Wizard WOW, or the Weka documentation. Base classifiers with an available R/Weka interface (see list_Weka_interfaces), can be specified (using the 'W' option) via their "base name" as shown in the interface registry (see the examples), or their

interface function.

options a named list of further options, or NULL (default). See **Details**.

Details

There are a predict method for predicting from the fitted models, and a summary method based on evaluate_Weka_classifier.

AdaBoostM1 implements the AdaBoost M1 method of Freund and Schapire (1996).

Bagging provides bagging (Breiman, 1996).

LogitBoost performs boosting via additive logistic regression (Friedman, Hastie and Tibshirani, 2000).

MultiBoostAB implements MultiBoosting (Webb, 2000), an extension to the AdaBoost technique for forming decision committees which can be viewed as a combination of AdaBoost and "wagging".

Stacking provides stacking (Wolpert, 1992).

CostSensitiveClassifier makes its base classifier cost-sensitive.

The model formulae should only use the '+' and '-' operators to indicate the variables to be included or not used, respectively.

Argument options allows further customization. Currently, options model and instances (or partial matches for these) are used: if set to TRUE, the model frame or the corresponding Weka instances, respectively, are included in the fitted model object, possibly speeding up subsequent computations on the object. By default, neither is included.

Value

A list inheriting from classes Weka_meta and Weka_classifiers with components including

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classifier	a reference (of class <code>jobjRef</code>) to a Java object obtained by applying the Weka buildClassifier method to build the specified model using the given control options.
predictions	a numeric vector or factor with the model predictions for the training instances (the results of calling the Weka classifyInstance method for the built classifier and each instance).
call	the matched call.

Note

multiBoostAB requires Weka package multiBoostAB to be installed.

References

- L. Breiman (1996). Bagging predictors. Machine Learning, 24/2, 123–140.
- Y. Freund and R. E. Schapire (1996). Experiments with a new boosting algorithm. In *Proceedings of the International Conference on Machine Learning*, pages 148–156. Morgan Kaufmann: San Francisco.
- J. H. Friedman, T. Hastie, and R. Tibshirani (2000). Additive logistic regression: A statistical view of boosting. *Annals of Statistics*, **28**/2, 337–374.
- G. I. Webb (2000). MultiBoosting: A technique for combining boosting and wagging. *Machine Learning*, **40**/2, 159–196.
- I. H. Witten and E. Frank (2005). *Data Mining: Practical Machine Learning Tools and Techniques*. 2nd Edition, Morgan Kaufmann, San Francisco.
- D. H. Wolpert (1992). Stacked generalization. Neural Networks, 5, 241–259.

See Also

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Weka_classifier_rules R/Weka Rule Learners

Description

R interfaces to Weka rule learners.

Usage

Arguments

formula a symbolic description of the model to be fit.

data an optional data frame containing the variables in the model.

subset an optional vector specifying a subset of observations to be used in the fitting process.

na.action a function which indicates what should happen when the data contain NAs. See model.frame for details.

control an object of class Weka_control giving options to be passed to the Weka learner. Available options can be obtained on-line using the Weka Option Wizard WOW, or the Weka documentation.

Details

options

There are a predict method for predicting from the fitted models, and a summary method based on evaluate_Weka_classifier.

a named list of further options, or NULL (default). See **Details**.

JRip implements a propositional rule learner, "Repeated Incremental Pruning to Produce Error Reduction" (RIPPER), as proposed by Cohen (1995).

M5Rules generates a decision list for regression problems using separate-and-conquer. In each iteration it builds an model tree using M5 and makes the "best" leaf into a rule. See Hall, Holmes and Frank (1999) for more information.

OneR builds a simple 1-R classifier, see Holte (1993).

PART generates PART decision lists using the approach of Frank and Witten (1998).

The model formulae should only use the '+' and '-' operators to indicate the variables to be included or not used, respectively.

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Argument options allows further customization. Currently, options model and instances (or partial matches for these) are used: if set to TRUE, the model frame or the corresponding Weka instances, respectively, are included in the fitted model object, possibly speeding up subsequent computations on the object. By default, neither is included.

Value

A list inheriting from classes Weka_rules and Weka_classifiers with components including

classifier a reference (of class jobjRef) to a Java object obtained by applying the Weka

buildClassifier method to build the specified model using the given control

options.

predictions a numeric vector or factor with the model predictions for the training instances

(the results of calling the Weka classifyInstance method for the built classi-

fier and each instance).

call the matched call.

References

W. W. Cohen (1995). Fast effective rule induction. In A. Prieditis and S. Russell (eds.), *Proceedings of the 12th International Conference on Machine Learning*, pages 115–123. Morgan Kaufmann. ISBN 1-55860-377-8. http://citeseer.ist.psu.edu/cohen95fast.html

E. Frank and I. H. Witten (1998). Generating accurate rule sets without global optimization. In J. Shavlik (ed.), *Machine Learning: Proceedings of the Fifteenth International Conference*. Morgan Kaufmann Publishers: San Francisco, CA. http://www.cs.waikato.ac.nz/~eibe/pubs/ML98-57.ps.gz

M. Hall, G. Holmes, and E. Frank (1999). Generating rule sets from model trees. *Proceedings of the Twelfth Australian Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence*, Sydney, Australia, pages 1–12. Springer-Verlag. http://citeseer.ist.psu.edu/holmes99generating.html

R. C. Holte (1993). Very simple classification rules perform well on most commonly used datasets. *Machine Learning*, **11**, 63–91.

I. H. Witten and E. Frank (2005). *Data Mining: Practical Machine Learning Tools and Techniques*. 2nd Edition, Morgan Kaufmann, San Francisco.

See Also

Weka_classifiers

```
M5Rules(mpg ~ ., data = mtcars)
m <- PART(Species ~ ., data = iris)
m
summary(m)</pre>
```

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Description

R interfaces to Weka regression and classification tree learners.

Usage

Arguments

formula	a symbolic description of the model to be fit.
data	an optional data frame containing the variables in the model.
subset	an optional vector specifying a subset of observations to be used in the fitting process.
na.action	a function which indicates what should happen when the data contain NAs. See model.frame for details.
control	an object of class Weka_control giving options to be passed to the Weka learner. Available options can be obtained on-line using the Weka Option Wizard WOW, or the Weka documentation.
options	a named list of further options, or NULL (default). See Details .

Details

There are a predict method for predicting from the fitted models, and a summary method based on evaluate_Weka_classifier.

There is also a plot method for fitted binary Weka_trees via the facilities provided by package **party**. This converts the Weka_tree to a BinaryTree and then simply calls the plot method of this class (see plot.BinaryTree) with slight modifications to the default arguments.

Provided the Weka classification tree learner implements the "Drawable" interface (i.e., provides a graph method), write_to_dot can be used to create a DOT representation of the tree for visualization via Graphviz or the **Rgraphviz** package.

J48 generates unpruned or pruned C4.5 decision trees (Quinlan, 1993).

LMT implements "Logistic Model Trees" (Landwehr, 2003; Landwehr et al., 2005).

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M5P (where the 'P' stands for 'prime') generates M5 model trees using the M5' algorithm, which was introduced in Wang & Witten (1997) and enhances the original M5 algorithm by Quinlan (1992).

DecisionStump implements decision stumps (trees with a single split only), which are frequently used as base learners for meta learners such as Boosting.

The model formulae should only use the '+' and '-' operators to indicate the variables to be included or not used, respectively.

Argument options allows further customization. Currently, options model and instances (or partial matches for these) are used: if set to TRUE, the model frame or the corresponding Weka instances, respectively, are included in the fitted model object, possibly speeding up subsequent computations on the object. By default, neither is included.

parse_Weka_digraph can parse the graph associated with a Weka tree classifier (and obtained by invoking its graph() method in Weka), returning a simple list with nodes and edges.

Value

A list inheriting from classes Weka_tree and Weka_classifiers with components including

classifier a reference (of class jobjRef) to a Java object obtained by applying the Weka

buildClassifier method to build the specified model using the given control

options.

predictions a numeric vector or factor with the model predictions for the training instances

(the results of calling the Weka classifyInstance method for the built classi-

fier and each instance).

call the matched call.

References

N. Landwehr (2003). *Logistic Model Trees*. Master's thesis, Institute for Computer Science, University of Freiburg, Germany. http://www.informatik.uni-freiburg.de/~ml/thesis_landwehr2003.html

N. Landwehr, M. Hall, and E. Frank (2005). Logistic Model Trees. *Machine Learning*, **59**, 161–205

R. Quinlan (1993). *C4.5: Programs for Machine Learning*. Morgan Kaufmann Publishers, San Mateo, CA.

R. Quinlan (1992). Learning with continuous classes. *Proceedings of the Australian Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence*, 343–348. World Scientific, Singapore.

Y. Wang and I. H. Witten (1997). Induction of model trees for predicting continuous classes. *Proceedings of the European Conference on Machine Learning*. University of Economics, Faculty of Informatics and Statistics, Prague.

I. H. Witten and E. Frank (2005). *Data Mining: Practical Machine Learning Tools and Techniques*. 2nd Edition, Morgan Kaufmann, San Francisco.

See Also

Weka classifiers

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```
m1 <- J48(Species ~ ., data = iris)
## print and summary
summary(m1) # calls evaluate_Weka_classifier()
table(iris$Species, predict(m1)) # by hand
## visualization
## use party package
if(require("party", quietly = TRUE)) plot(m1)
## or Graphviz
write_to_dot(m1)
## or Rgraphviz
## Not run:
library("Rgraphviz")
ff <- tempfile()</pre>
write_to_dot(m1, ff)
plot(agread(ff))
## End(Not run)
## Using some Weka data sets ...
## J48
DF2 <- read.arff(system.file("arff", "contact-lenses.arff",</pre>
                              package = "RWeka"))
m2 \leftarrow J48(\contact-lenses \sim ., data = DF2)
table(DF2$`contact-lenses`, predict(m2))
if(require("party", quietly = TRUE)) plot(m2)
## M5P
DF3 <- read.arff(system.file("arff", "cpu.arff", package = "RWeka"))</pre>
m3 \leftarrow M5P(class \sim ., data = DF3)
if(require("party", quietly = TRUE)) plot(m3)
## Logistic Model Tree.
DF4 <- read.arff(system.file("arff", "weather.arff", package = "RWeka"))
m4 \leftarrow LMT(play \sim ., data = DF4)
table(DF4$play, predict(m4))
## Larger scale example.
if(require("mlbench", quietly = TRUE)
   && require("party", quietly = TRUE)) {
    ## Predict diabetes status for Pima Indian women
    data("PimaIndiansDiabetes", package = "mlbench")
    ## Fit J48 tree with reduced error pruning
    m5 <- J48(diabetes ~ ., data = PimaIndiansDiabetes,
              control = Weka_control(R = TRUE))
```

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```
plot(m5)
## (Make sure that the plotting device is big enough for the tree.)
}
```

Weka_clusterers

R/Weka Clusterers

Description

R interfaces to Weka clustering algorithms.

Usage

```
Cobweb(x, control = NULL)
FarthestFirst(x, control = NULL)
SimpleKMeans(x, control = NULL)
XMeans(x, control = NULL)
DBScan(x, control = NULL)
```

Arguments

x an R object with the data to be clustered.

control an object of class Weka_control, or a character vector of control options, or

NULL (default). Available options can be obtained on-line using the Weka Option

Wizard WOW, or the Weka documentation.

Details

There is a predict method for predicting class ids or memberships from the fitted clusterers.

Cobweb implements the Cobweb (Fisher, 1987) and Classit (Gennari et al., 1989) clustering algorithms.

FarthestFirst provides the "farthest first traversal algorithm" by Hochbaum and Shmoys, which works as a fast simple approximate clusterer modeled after simple k-means.

SimpleKMeans provides clustering with the k-means algorithm.

XMeans provides k-means extended by an "Improve-Structure part" and automatically determines the number of clusters.

DBScan provides the "density-based clustering algorithm" by Ester, Kriegel, Sander, and Xu. Note that noise points are assigned to NA.

Value

A list inheriting from class Weka_clusterers with components including

clusterer

a reference (of class jobjRef) to a Java object obtained by applying the Weka buildClusterer method to the training instances using the given control options.

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class_ids

a vector of integers indicating the class to which each training instance is allocated (the results of calling the Weka clusterInstance method for the built clusterer and each instance).

Note

XMeans requires Weka package **XMeans** to be installed.

DBScan requires Weka package optics_dbScan to be installed.

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Weka_control

Control Weka Options

Description

Set control options for Weka learners.

Usage

```
Weka_control(...)
```

Arguments

... named arguments of control options, see the details and examples.

Details

The available options for a Weka learner, foo() say, can be queried by WOW(foo) and then conveniently set by Weka_control(). See below for an example.

One can use lists for options taking multiple arguments, see the documentation for SMO for an example.

Value

A list of class Weka_control which can be coerced to character for passing it to Weka.

See Also

WOW

```
## Query J4.8 options:
WOW("J48")
## Learn J4.8 tree on iris data with default settings:
J48(Species ~ ., data = iris)
## Learn J4.8 tree with reduced error pruning (-R) and
## minimum number of instances set to 5 (-M 5):
J48(Species ~ ., data = iris, control = Weka_control(R = TRUE, M = 5))
```

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Weka_converters

R/Weka File Loaders and Savers

Description

R interfaces to Weka file loaders and savers.

Usage

```
C45Loader(file)
XRFFLoader(file)
C45Saver(x, file, control = NULL)
XRFFSaver(x, file, control = NULL)
```

Arguments

file a non-empty character string naming a file to read from or write to.

x the data to be written, preferably a matrix or data frame. If not, coercion to a

data frame is attempted.

control an object of class Weka_control, or a character vector of control options, or

NULL (default). Available options can be obtained on-line using the Weka Option

Wizard WOW, or the Weka documentation.

Details

C45Loader and C45Saver use the format employed by the C4.5 algorithm/software, where data is stored in two separate '.names' and '.data' files.

XRFFLoader and XRFFSaver handle XRFF (eXtensible attribute-Relation File Format, an XML-based extension of Weka's native Attribute-Relation File Format) files.

Value

Invisibly NULL for the savers.

A data frame containing the data from the given file for the loaders.

See Also

```
read.arff, write.arff.
```

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Description

R interfaces to Weka filters.

Usage

```
Normalize(formula, data, subset, na.action, control = NULL)
Discretize(formula, data, subset, na.action, control = NULL)
```

Arguments

formula	a symbolic description of a model. Note that for unsupervised filters the response can be omitted.
data	an optional data frame containing the variables in the model.
subset	an optional vector specifying a subset of observations to be used in the fitting process.
na.action	a function which indicates what should happen when the data contain NAs. See model.frame for details.
control	an object of class Weka_control, or a character vector of control options, or NULL (default). Available options can be obtained on-line using the Weka Option Wizard WOW, or the Weka documentation.

Details

Normalize implements an unsupervised filter that normalizes all instances of a dataset to have a given norm. Only numeric values are considered, and the class attribute is ignored.

Discretize implements a supervised instance filter that discretizes a range of numeric attributes in the dataset into nominal attributes. Discretization is by Fayyad & Irani's MDL method (the default).

Note that these methods ignore nominal attributes, i.e., variables of class factor.

Value

A data frame.

References

- U. M. Fayyad and K. B. Irani (1993). Multi-interval discretization of continuous-valued attributes for classification learning. *Thirteenth International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence*, 1022–1027. Morgan Kaufmann.
- I. H. Witten and E. Frank (2005). *Data Mining: Practical Machine Learning Tools and Techniques*. 2nd Edition, Morgan Kaufmann, San Francisco.

Weka_interfaces

Examples

Weka_interfaces

R/Weka interfaces

Description

Create an R interface to an existing Weka learner, attribute evaluator or filter, or show the available interfaces.

Usage

Arguments

name	a character string giving the fully qualified name of a Weka learner/filter class in JNI notation.
class	NULL (default), or a character vector giving the names of R classes the objects returned by the interface function should inherit from in addition to the default ones (for representing associators, classifiers, and clusterers).
handlers	a named list of special handler functions, see Details .
init	NULL, or a function with no arguments to be called when the interface is used for building the learner/filter, or queried for available options via WOW. Typically, this is used for loading Weka packages when interfacing functionality in these.

p a character string naming a Weka package to be loaded via WPM.

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Details

make_Weka_associator and make_Weka_clusterer create an R function providing an interface to a Weka association learner or a Weka clusterer, respectively. This interface function has formals x and control = NULL, representing the training instances and control options to be employed. Objects created by these interface functions always inherit from classes Weka_associator and Weka_clusterer, respectively, and have at least suitable print methods. Fitted clusterers also have a predict method.

make_Weka_classifier creates an interface function for a Weka classifier, with formals formula, data, subset, na.action, and control (default: none), where the first four have the "usual" meanings for statistical modeling functions in R, and the last again specifies the control options to be employed by the Weka learner. Objects created by these interfaces always inherit from class Weka_classifier, and have at least suitable print and predict methods.

make_Weka_filter creates an interface function for a Weka filter, with formals formula, data, subset, na.action, and control = NULL, where the first four have the "usual" meanings for statistical modeling functions in R, and the last again specifies the control options to be employed by the Weka filter. Note that the response variable can be omitted from formula if the filter is "unsupervised". Objects created by these interface functions are (currently) always of class data.frame.

make_Weka_attribute_evaluator creates an interface function for a Weka attribute evaluation class which implements the AttributeEvaluator interface, with formals as for the classifier interface functions.

Certain aspects of the interface function can be customized by providing handlers. Currently, only *control* handlers (functions given as the control component of the list of handlers) are used for processing the given control arguments before passing them to the Weka classifier. This is used, e.g., by the meta learners to allow the specification of registered base learners by their "base names" (rather their full Weka/Java class names).

In addition to creating interface functions, the interfaces are registered (under the name of the Weka class interfaced), which in particular allows the Weka Option Wizard (WOW) to conveniently give on-line information about available control options for the interfaces.

list_Weka_interfaces lists the available interfaces.

Finally, make_Weka_package_loader generates init hooks for loading required and already installed Weka packages.

It is straightforward to register new interfaces in addition to the ones package **RWeka** provides by default.

References

K. Hornik, C. Buchta, and A. Zeileis (2009). Open-source machine learning: R meets Weka. *Computational Statistics*, **24**/2, 225–232,

```
## Create an interface to Weka's Naive Bayes classifier.
NB <- make_Weka_classifier("weka/classifiers/bayes/NaiveBayes")
## Note that this has a very useful print method:
NB
## And we can use the Weka Option Wizard for finding out more:</pre>
```

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```
WOW(NB)
## And actually use the interface ...
if(require("e1071", quietly = TRUE) &&
    require("mlbench", quietly = TRUE)) {
        data("HouseVotes84", package = "mlbench")
        model <- NB(Class ~ ., data = HouseVotes84)
        predict(model, HouseVotes84[1:10, -1])
        predict(model, HouseVotes84[1:10, -1], type = "prob")
}
## (Compare this to David Meyer's naiveBayes() in package 'e1071'.)</pre>
```

Weka_stemmers

R/Weka Stemmers

Description

R interfaces to Weka stemmers.

Usage

```
IteratedLovinsStemmer(x, control = NULL)
LovinsStemmer(x, control = NULL)
```

Arguments

x a character vector with words to be stemmed.

control an object of class Weka_control, or a character vector of control options, or

NULL (default). Available options can be obtained on-line using the Weka Option

Wizard WOW, or the Weka documentation.

Details

The R interface to Weka's Snowball stemmers is available as function SnowballStemmer in package **Snowball** (as it requires a jar with the Java version of the Snowball stemmers which cannot be included in package **RWeka** due to license restrictions).

Value

A character vector with the stemmed words.

References

J. B. Lovins (1968), Development of a stemming algorithm. *Mechanical Translation and Computational Linguistics* **11**, 22–31.

See Also

SnowballStemmer

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Weka_tokenizers

R/Weka Tokenizers

Description

R interfaces to Weka tokenizers.

Usage

```
AlphabeticTokenizer(x, control = NULL)
NGramTokenizer(x, control = NULL)
WordTokenizer(x, control = NULL)
```

Arguments

x a character vector with strings to be tokenized.

control an object of class Weka_control, or a character vector of control options, or

NULL (default). Available options can be obtained on-line using the Weka Option

Wizard WOW, or the Weka documentation.

Details

AlphabeticTokenizer is an alphabetic string tokenizer, where tokens are to be formed only from contiguous alphabetic sequences.

NGramTokenizer splits strings into n-grams with given minimal and maximal numbers of grams.

WordTokenizer is a simple word tokenizer.

Value

A character vector with the tokenized strings.

WOW

Weka Option Wizard

Description

Give on-line information about available control options for Weka learners or filters and their R interfaces.

Usage

WOW(x)

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Arguments

Х

a character string giving either the fully qualified name of a Weka learner or filter class in JNI notation, or the name of an available R interface, or an object obtained from applying these interfaces to build an associator, classifier, clusterer, or filter.

Details

See list_Weka_interfaces for the available interface functions.

References

K. Hornik, C. Buchta, and A. Zeileis (2009). Open-source machine learning: R meets Weka. *Computational Statistics*, **24**/2, 225–232,

Examples

```
## The name of an "existing" (registered) interface.
WOW("J48")
## The name of some Weka class (not necessarily in the interface
## registry):
WOW("weka/classifiers/bayes/NaiveBayes")
```

WPM

Weka Package Manager

Description

Manage Weka packages.

Usage

```
WPM(cmd, ...)
```

Arguments

cmd a character string specifying the action to be performed. Must be one of "refresh-cache",

"list-packages", "package-info", "install-package", "remove-package",

or "load-package" (or a unique abbreviation thereof).

... character strings giving further arguments required for the action to be per-

formed. See **Details**.

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Details

Available actions and respective additional arguments are as follows.

"refresh-cache" Refresh the cached copy of the package meta data from the central package repository.

"list-packages" print information (version numbers and short descriptions) about packages as specified by an additional keyword which must be one of "all" (all packages the system knows about), "installed" (all packages installed locally), or ("available" (all known packages not installed locally), or a unique abbreviation thereof.

"package-info" print information (metadata) about a package. Requires two additional character string arguments: a keyword and the package name. The keyword must be one of "repository" (print info from the repository) or "installed" (print info on the installed version), or a unique abbreviation thereof.

"install-package" install a package as specified by an additional character string giving its name. (In principle, one could also provide a file path or URL to a zip file.)

"remove-package" remove a given (installed) package.

"load-package" load a given package by adding its jars to the Java classpath.

Note

Weka stores packages and their information in the Weka home directory, as given by the value of the environment variable WEKA_HOME; if this is not set, the 'wekafiles' subdirectory of the user's home directory is used. If this Weka home directory was not created yet, WPM() will instead use a temporary directory in the R session directory: to achieve persistence, users need to create the Weka home directory before using WPM().

Examples

```
## Not run:
## Start by building/refreshing the cache.
WPM("refresh-cache")
## Show the packages installed locally.
WPM("list-packages", "installed")
## Show the packages available from the central Weka package
## repository and not installed locally.
WPM("list-packages", "available")
## Show repository information about package XMeans.
WPM("package-info", "repository", "XMeans")
## End(Not run)
```

write.arff

Write Data into ARFF Files

Description

Writes data into Weka Attribute-Relation File Format (ARFF) files.

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Usage

```
write.arff(x, file, eol = "\n")
```

Arguments

x the data to be written, preferably a matrix or data frame. If not, coercion to a

data frame is attempted.

file either a character string naming a file, or a connection. "" indicates output to

the standard output connection.

eol the character(s) to print at the end of each line (row).

References

Attribute-Relation File Format http://weka.wiki.sourceforge.net/ARFF

See Also

```
read.arff
```

```
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```

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