confusionMatrix {caret} R Documentation

# Create a confusion matrix

## **Description**

Calculates a cross-tabulation of observed and predicted classes with associated statistics.

## Usage

```
confusionMatrix(data, ...)
## Default S3 method:
confusionMatrix(data, reference, positive = NULL,
  dnn = c("Prediction", "Reference"), prevalence = NULL,
  mode = "sens_spec", ...)
## S3 method for class 'table'
confusionMatrix(data, positive = NULL,
  prevalence = NULL, mode = "sens spec", ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

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a factor of predicted classes (for the default method) or an object of class table.

options to be passed to table. NOTE: do not include dnn here

a factor of classes to be used as the true results

positive an optional character string for the factor level that corresponds to a "positive" result (if that makes sense for your data). If there are only two factor levels, the first level will be used as the "positive" result. When mode = "prec_recall", positive is the same value used for relevant for functions precision, recall, and F_meas.table.

dnn a character vector of dimnames for the table

prevalence a numeric value or matrix for the rate of the "positive" class of the data. When data has two levels, prevalence should be a single numeric
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value. Otherwise, it should be a vector of numeric values with elements for each class. The vector should have names corresponding to the

# Details

mode

The functions requires that the factors have exactly the same levels.

a single character string either "sens\_spec", "prec\_recall", or "everything"

For two class problems, the sensitivity, specificity, positive predictive value and negative predictive value is calculated using the positive argument. Also, the prevalence of the "event" is computed from the data (unless passed in as an argument), the detection rate (the rate of true events also predicted to be events) and the detection prevalence (the prevalence of predicted events).

Suppose a 2x2 table with notation

classes

## Reference

Predicted Event No Event
Event A B
No Event C D

The formulas used here are:

```
Sensitivity = A/(A+C)
Specificity = D/(B+D)
Prevalence = (A+C)/(A+B+C+D)
PPV = (sensitivity * prevalence)/((sensitivity*prevalence) + ((1-specificity)*(1-prevalence)))
NPV = (specificity * (1-prevalence))/(((1-sensitivity)*prevalence) + ((specificity)*(1-prevalence))))
Detection \ Rate = A/(A+B+C+D)
Detection \ Prevalence = (A+B)/(A+B+C+D)
Balanced \ Accuracy = (sensitivity+specificity)/2
Precision = A/(A+B)
Recall = A/(A+C)
F1 = (1+beta^2)*precision*recall/((beta^2 * precision)+recall)
```

where beta = 1 for this function.

See the references for discussions of the first five formulas.

For more than two classes, these results are calculated comparing each factor level to the remaining levels (i.e. a "one versus all" approach).

The overall accuracy and unweighted Kappa statistic are calculated. A p-value from McNemar's test is also computed using mcnemar.test (which can produce NA values with sparse tables).

The overall accuracy rate is computed along with a 95 percent confidence interval for this rate (using binom.test) and a one-sided test to see if the accuracy is better than the "no information rate," which is taken to be the largest class percentage in the data.

#### Value

a list with elements

```
table the results of table on data and reference

positive the positive result level

overall a numeric vector with overall accuracy and Kappa statistic values
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byClass the sensitivity, specificity, positive predictive value, negative predictive value, precision, recall, F1, prevalence, detection rate, detection prevalence and balanced accuracy for each class. For two class systems, this is calculated once using the positive argument

## Note

If the reference and data factors have the same levels, but in the incorrect order, the function will reorder them to the order of the data and issue a warning.

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#### References

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### See Also

as.table.confusionMatrix, as.matrix.confusionMatrix, sensitivity, specificity, posPredValue, print.confusionMatrix, binom.test

### **Examples**

```
##################
## 2 class example
lvs <- c("normal", "abnormal")</pre>
truth <- factor(rep(lvs, times = c(86, 258)),
                 levels = rev(lvs))
pred <- factor(</pre>
                  rep(lvs, times = c(54, 32)),
                  rep(lvs, times = c(27, 231))),
                levels = rev(lvs))
xtab <- table(pred, truth)</pre>
confusionMatrix(xtab)
\verb|confusionMatrix(pred, truth)|\\
confusionMatrix(xtab, prevalence = 0.25)
##################
## 3 class example
confusionMatrix(iris$Species, sample(iris$Species))
newPrior <- c(.05, .8, .15)
names(newPrior) <- levels(iris$Species)</pre>
confusionMatrix(iris$Species, sample(iris$Species))
```