Package 'LKT'

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//ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/9616435>. 'LKT' is a method to compute features of student data that are used as predictors of subsequent performance. 'LKT' allows great flexibility in the choice of predictive components and features computed for these predictive components. The system is built on top of 'LiblineaR', which enables extremely fast solutions compared to base glm() in R.

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Description

Forward and backwards stepwise search for a set of features and components with tracking of nonlinear parameters.

Usage

```
buildLKTModel(
  data,
  usefolds = NA,
  allcomponents,
  allfeatures,
  current components = c(),
  special components = c(),
  specialfeatures = c(),
  forv,
  bacv,
  preset = NA,
  presetint = T,
  current features = c(),
  verbose = FALSE,
  currentfixedpars = c(),
  maxitv = 10,
  interc = FALSE,
  forward = TRUE,
  backward = TRUE,
  metric = "BIC",
```

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```
removefeat = c(),
removecomp = c()
)
```

Arguments

data is a dataset with Anon.Student.Id and CF..ansbin.

usefolds Numeric Vector | Specifies the folds for model fitting in LKT; the features are

still calculated across all folds to compute test fold fit externally

allcomponents is search space for LKT components allfeatures is search space for LKT features

currentcomponents

components to start search from

specialcomponents

add special components (not crossed with features, only paired with special fea-

tures 1 for 1)

specialfeatures

features for each special component (not crossed during search)

forv the minimuum amount of improvement needed for the addition of a new term

bacv the maximuum amount of loss for a term to be removed

preset One of "static", "AFM", "PFA", "advanced", "AFMLLTM", "PFALLTM", "advancedLLTM"

presetint should the intercepts be included for preset components

currentfeatures

features to start search from

verbose passed to LKT

currentfixedpars

used for current features as an option to start

maxitv passed to LKT interc passed to LKT forward TRUE or FALSE backward TRUE or FALSE

metric One of "BIC", "AUC", "AIC", and "RMSE"

removefeat Character Vector | Excludes specified features from the test list.

removecomp Character Vector | Excludes specified components from the test list.

Value

list of values "tracetable" and "currentfit"

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Description

Compute feature describing prior practice effect.

Usage

```
computefeatures(data, feat, par1, par2, index, index2, par3, par4, par5, fcomp)
```

Arguments

| data | copy of main data frame. |
|--------|---|
| feat | is the feature to be computed. |
| par1 | nonlinear parameters used for nonlinear features. |
| par2 | nonlinear parameters used for nonlinear features. |
| index | a student by component levels index |
| index2 | a component levels index |
| par3 | nonlinear parameters used for nonlinear features. |
| par4 | nonlinear parameters used for nonlinear features. |
| par5 | nonlinear parameters used for nonlinear features. |
| fcomp | the component name. |

Value

a vector suitable for regression input.

```
compute Spacing Predictors \\ compute Spacing Predictors
```

Description

Compute repetition spacing time based features from input data CF..Time. and/or CF..reltime. which will be automatically computed from Duration..sec. if not present themselves.

Usage

```
computeSpacingPredictors(data, KCs)
```

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Arguments

data is a dataset with Anon.Student.Id and CF..ansbin.

KCs are the components for which spaced features will be specified in LKT

Value

data which is the same frame with the added spacing relevant columns.

countOutcomeold countOutcome

Description

Compute the prior sum of the response appearing in the outcome column for the index

Usage

```
countOutcomeold(data, index, response)
```

Arguments

data the dataset to compute an outcome vector for

index the subsets to count over

response the actually response value being counted

Value

the vector of the lagged cumulative sum.

largerawsample Trial sequences for practice participants.

Description

A dataset containing a raw sample from the Memphis Datashop.

Usage

largerawsample

Format

A data frame please see the DataShop for more info.

It has many columns.

Source

https://pslcdatashop.web.cmu.edu/Export?datasetId=5513

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LASSOLKTData

LASSOLKTData

Description

Forward and backwards stepwise search for a set of features and components with tracking of nonlinear parameters.

Usage

```
LASSOLKTData(
  data,
  gridpars,
  allcomponents,
  allfeatures,
  preset = NA,
  presetint = T,
  specialcomponents = c(),
  specialfeatures = c(),
  removefeat = c(),
  removecomp = c()
)
```

Arguments

data is a dataset with Anon.Student.Id and CF..ansbin. gridpars a vector of parameters to create each feature at allcomponents is search space for LKT components is search space for LKT features allfeatures One of "static", "AFM", "PFA", "advanced", "AFMLLTM", "PFALLTM", "advancedLLTM" preset presetint should the intercepts be included for preset components specialcomponents add special components (not crossed with features, only paired with special features 1 for 1) specialfeatures features for each special component (not crossed during search) specialpars parameters for the special features (if needed) removefeat Character Vector | Excludes specified features from the test list.

Character Vector | Excludes specified components from the test list.

Value

removecomp

data which is the same frame with the added spacing relevant columns.

list of values "tracetable" and "currentfit"

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LASSOLKTModel

LASSOLKTModel

Description

runs LASSO search on the data

Usage

```
LASSOLKTModel(
  data,
  gridpars,
  allcomponents,
  preset = NA,
  presetint = T,
  allfeatures,
  specialcomponents = c(),
  specialfeatures = c(),
  specialpars = c(),
  target_n,
  removefeat = c(),
  removecomp = c(),
  test_fold = 1
)
```

Arguments

data

gridpars a vector of parameters to create each feature at
allcomponents is search space for LKT components

preset One of "static", "AFM", "PFA", "advanced", "AFMLLTM", "PFALLTM", "advancedLLTM"

presetint should the intercepts be included for preset components
allfeatures is search space for LKT features
special components

add special components (not crossed with features, only paired with special features)

add special components (not crossed with features, only paired with special features 1 for 1)

tares

specialfeatures

features for each special component (not crossed during search)

specialpars parameters for the special features (if needed)

target_n chosen number of features in model

removefeat Character Vector | Excludes specified features from the test list.

Character Vector | Excludes specified components from the test list.

is a dataset with Anon.Student.Id and CF..ansbin.

test_fold that the chosen LASSO model will be tested on

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Value

list of matrices and values "train_x", "train_y", "test_x", "test_y", "fit", "target_auc", "target_rmse", "n_features", "auc_lambda", "preds"

LKT

LKT

Description

Compute a logistic regression model of learning for input data.

Usage

```
LKT(
  data,
  usefolds = NA,
  components,
  features,
  fixedpars = NA,
  seedpars = NA,
  interacts = NA,
  curvefeats = NA,
  dualfit = FALSE,
  interc = FALSE,
  verbose = TRUE,
  epsilon = 1e-04,
  cost = 512,
  lowb = 1e-05,
  highb = 0.99999,
  type = 0,
  maketimes = FALSE,
  bias = 0,
  maxitv = 100,
  factrv = 1e+12,
  nosolve = FALSE,
  autoKC = rep(0, length(components)),
  autoKCcont = rep("NA", length(components)),
  connectors = rep("+", max(1, length(components) - 1))
)
```

Arguments

data A dataset with Anon.Student.Id and CF..ansbin.

usefolds Numeric Vector | Specifies the folds for model fitting in LKT; the features are

still calculated across all folds to compute test fold fit externally

components A vector of factors that can be used to compute each features for each subject.

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features a vector methods to use to compute a feature for the component.

fixedpars a vector of parameters for all features+components.

seedpars a vector of parameters for all features+components to seed non-linear parameter

search.

interacts A list of components that interacts with component by feature in the main spec-

ification.

curvefeats vector of columns to use with "diff" functions

dualfit TRUE or FALSE, fit a simple latency using logit. Requires Duration..sec. col-

umn in data.

interc TRUE or FALSE, include a global intercept.

verbose provides more output in some cases.

epsilon passed to LiblineaR

cost passed to LiblineaR

lowb lower bound for non-linear optimizations highb upper bound for non-linear optimizations

type passed to LiblineaR

maketimes Boolean indicating whether to create time based features (or may be precom-

puted)

bias passed to LiblineaR

maxitv passed to nonlinear optimization a maxit control

factrv controls the optim() function

nosolve causes the function to return a sparse data matrix of the features, rather than a

solution

autoKC a vector to indicate whether to use autoKC for the component (0) or the k for

the numebr of clusters

autoKCcont a vector of text strings set to "rand" for component to make autoKC assignment

to cluster is randomized (for comaprison)

connectors a vector if linear equation R operators including +, * and :

Value

list of values "model", "coefs", "r2", "prediction", "nullmodel", "latencymodel", "optimizedpars", "subjectrmse", "newdata", and "automat"

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Description

Bootstrap credibility intervals to aid in interpreting coefficients.

Usage

```
LKT_HDI(
  dat,
  n_boot,
  n_students,
  comps,
  feats,
  conns = rep("+", max(1, length(comps) - 1)),
  ints = NA,
  fixeds,
  get_hdi = TRUE,
  cred_mass = 0.95
)
```

Arguments

| dat | Dataframe |
|------------|---|
| n_boot | Number of subsamples to fit |
| n_students | Number of students per subsample |
| comps | Components in model |
| feats | Features in model |
| conns | R notation for linear equation connectors in model |
| ints | Interacts in model |
| fixeds | Fixed parameters in model |
| get_hdi | Boolean to decide if generating HDI per coefficient |
| cred_mass | Credibility mass parameter to decide width of HDI |
| | |

Value

List of values "par_reps", "mod_full", "coef_hdi"

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predict_lkt

Predict for LKT Models

Description

Generates predictions and evaluates logistic regression models tailored for learning data, specifically designed for Logistic Knowledge Tracing (LKT) models. This function provides flexibility in returning either just the predicted probabilities or both the predictions and key evaluation statistics.

Usage

```
predict_lkt(
  modelob,
  data,
  fold = NULL,
  return_stats = FALSE,
  min_pred_limit = 1e-05,
  max_pred_limit = 0.99999
)
```

Arguments

| modelob | An LKT model object containing necessary model coefficients and predictors for generating predictions. |
|----------------|--|
| data | A dataset including predictor variables, the outcome variable CFansbin., and fold information. |
| fold | Optional. Numeric vector specifying which folds to include for prediction. If NULL or empty, uses all data. |
| return_stats | Logical. If TRUE, returns both predictions and evaluation statistics (Log-Likelihood, AUC, RMSE, R^2). If FALSE, returns only the predictions. |
| min_pred_limit | Minimum prediction limit. Default is 0.00001. |
| max_pred_limit | Maximum prediction limit. Default is 0.99999. |

Value

If return_stats is FALSE, returns a list containing:

• predictions: The predicted probabilities for each observation in the specified fold(s).

If return_stats is TRUE, returns a list containing:

- predictions: The predicted probabilities for each observation in the specified fold(s).
- LL: Log-Likelihood of the model given the actual outcomes.
- AUC: Area Under the ROC Curve.
- RMSE: Root Mean Squared Error.
- R2: R-squared value, indicating the proportion of variance explained by the model.

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samplelkt

Trial sequences for practice participants.

Description

A dataset containing a small sample of participants in a memory experiment.

Usage

samplelkt

Format

A data frame with 2074 rows and many variables:

Anon.Student.Id unique identifier for each student

Duration..sec. unique identifier for each student

KC..Default. unique identifier for each student

Outcome unique identifier for each student ...

Source

https://pslcdatashop.web.cmu.edu/DatasetInfo?datasetId=5508

smallSet

smallSet

Description

smallSet

Usage

```
smallSet(data, nSub)
```

Arguments

data Dataframe of student data

nSub Number of students

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Description

ViewExcel

Usage

```
ViewExcel(df = .Last.value, file = tempfile(fileext = ".csv"))
```

Arguments

df Dataframe

file name of the Excel file

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