

Package ‘mlr3superlearner’

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Title Super Learner Fitting and Prediction

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Description An implementation of the Super Learner prediction algorithm from van der Laan, Polley, and Hubbard (2007) <doi:10.2202/1544-6115.1309 using the 'mlr3' framework.

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available_learners	<i>Learners Available for Use</i>
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Description

Learners Available for Use

Usage

```
available_learners(outcome_type = c("binomial", "continuous"))
```

Arguments

outcome_type The outcome variable type.

Value

A data.table of available learners.

Examples

```
available_learners("binomial")
```

mlr3superlearner	<i>Super Learner Algorithm</i>
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Description

Implementation of the Super Learner algorithm using the ‘mlr3’ framework. By default, returning the discrete Super Learner. If using the ensemble Super Learner, The LASSO with an alpha value of 0 and a restriction on the lower limit of the coefficients is used as the meta-learner.

Usage

```
mlr3superlearner(
  data,
  target,
  library,
  outcome_type = c("binomial", "continuous"),
  folds = NULL,
  discrete = TRUE,
  newdata = NULL,
  group = NULL,
  info = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

data	[data.frame] A data.frame containing predictors and target variable.
target	[character(1)] The name of the target variable in data.
library	[character] or [list] A vector or list of algorithms to be used for prediction.
outcome_type	[character(1)] The outcome variable type. Options are "binomial" and "continuous".
folds	[numeric(1)] The number of cross-validation folds, or if NULL will be dynamically determined.
discrete	[logical(1)] Return the discrete Super Learner, or the ensemble Super Learner?
newdata	[list] A list of data.frames to generate predictions from.
group	[character(1)] Name of a grouping variable in data. Assumed to be discrete; observations in the same group are treated like a "block" of observations kept together during sample splitting.
info	[logical(1)] Print learner fitting information to the console.

Value

A list of class `mlr3superlearner`.

Examples

```
if (requireNamespace("ranger", quietly = TRUE)) {
  n <- 1e3
  W <- matrix(rnorm(n*3), ncol = 3)
  A <- rbinom(n, 1, 1 / (1 + exp(-(.2*W[,1] - .1*W[,2] + .4*W[,3]))))
  Y <- rbinom(n,1, plogis(A + 0.2*W[,1] + 0.1*W[,2] + 0.2*W[,3]^2 ))
  tmp <- data.frame(W, A, Y)
  mlr3superlearner(tmp, "Y", c("glm", "ranger"), "binomial")
}
```

`predict.mlr3superlearner`

Predict method for mlr3superlearner object

Description

Predict method for `mlr3superlearner` object

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mlr3superlearner'  
predict(object, newdata, ...)
```

Arguments

object	[mlr3superlearner] An object returned from <code>mlr3superlearner()</code> .
newdata	data [data.frame] A data.frame containing predictors.
...	Unused.

Value

A vector of the predicted values.

See Also

[mlr3superlearner](#)

Examples

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  A <- rbinom(n, 1, 1 / (1 + exp(-(.2*W[,1] - .1*W[,2] + .4*W[,3]))))  
  Y <- rbinom(n,1, plogis(A + 0.2*W[,1] + 0.1*W[,2] + 0.2*W[,3]^2 ))  
  tmp <- data.frame(W, A, Y)  
  fit <- mlr3superlearner(tmp, "Y", c("glm", "ranger"), "binomial")  
  predict(fit, tmp)  
}
```

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