

Package ‘mllrnrs’

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<<https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=mlexperiments>> with additional machine learning ('ML') learners. The package provides R6-based learners for the following algorithms: 'glmnet' <<https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=glmnet>>, 'ranger' <<https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=ranger>>, 'xgboost' <<https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=xgboost>>, and 'lightgbm' <<https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=lightgbm>>. These can be used directly with the 'mlexperiments' R package.

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Description

The LearnerGlmnet class is the interface to the glmnet R package for use with the mlexperiments package.

Details

Optimization metric: Can be used with

- [mlexperiments::MLTuneParameters](#)
- [mlexperiments::MLCrossValidation](#)
- [mlexperiments::MLNestedCV](#)

Super class

[mlexperiments::MLLearnerBase](#) -> LearnerGlmnet

Methods

Public methods:

- [LearnerGlmnet\\$new\(\)](#)
- [LearnerGlmnet\\$clone\(\)](#)

Method `new()`: Create a new LearnerGlmnet object.

Usage:

```
LearnerGlmnet$new(metric_optimization_higher_better)
```

Arguments:

`metric_optimization_higher_better` A logical. Defines the direction of the optimization metric used throughout the hyperparameter optimization.

Returns: A new LearnerGlmnet R6 object.

Examples:

```
if (requireNamespace("glmnet", quietly = TRUE)) {
  LearnerGlmnet$new(metric_optimization_higher_better = FALSE)
}
```

Method `clone()`: The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

Usage:

```
LearnerGlmnet$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

Arguments:

`deep` Whether to make a deep clone.

See Also

[glmnet::glmnet\(\)](#), [glmnet::cv.glmnet\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# binary classification
if (requireNamespace("glmnet", quietly = TRUE) &&
    requireNamespace("mlbench", quietly = TRUE) &&
    requireNamespace("measures", quietly = TRUE)) {

  library(mlbench)
  data("PimaIndiansDiabetes2")
  dataset <- PimaIndiansDiabetes2 |>
    data.table::as.data.table() |>
    na.omit()

  seed <- 123
  feature_cols <- colnames(dataset)[1:8]

  train_x <- model.matrix(
    ~ -1 + .,
    dataset[, .SD, .SDcols = feature_cols]
  )
  train_y <- as.integer(dataset[, get("diabetes")]) - 1L

  fold_list <- splitTools::create_folds(
    y = train_y,
    k = 3,
    type = "stratified",
    seed = seed
  )
  glmnet_cv <- mlexperiments::MLCrossValidation$new(
    learner = mllrnrs::LearnerGlmnet$new(
      metric_optimization_higher_better = FALSE
    ),
    fold_list = fold_list,
    ncores = 2,
    seed = 123
  )
}
```

```

)
glmnet_cv$learner_args <- list(
  alpha = 1,
  lambda = 0.1,
  family = "binomial",
  type.measure = "class",
  standardize = TRUE
)
glmnet_cv$predict_args <- list(type = "response")
glmnet_cv$performance_metric_args <- list(positive = "1", negative = "0")
glmnet_cv$performance_metric <- mlexperiments::metric("AUC")

# set data
glmnet_cv$set_data(
  x = train_x,
  y = train_y
)

glmnet_cv$execute()
}

## -----
## Method `LearnerGlmnet$new`
## -----

if (requireNamespace("glmnet", quietly = TRUE)) {
  LearnerGlmnet$new(metric_optimization_higher_better = FALSE)
}

```

LearnerLightgbm

R6 Class to construct a LightGBM learner

Description

The `LearnerLightgbm` class is the interface to the `lightgbm` R package for use with the `mlexperiments` package.

Details

Optimization metric: needs to be specified with the learner parameter `metric`. The following options can be set via `options()`:

- `"mlexperiments.optim.lgb.nrounds"` (default: 5000L)
- `"mlexperiments.optim.lgb.early_stopping_rounds"` (default: 500L)
- `"mlexperiments.lgb.print_every_n"` (default: 50L)
- `"mlexperiments.lgb.verbose"` (default: -1L)

`LearnerLightgbm` can be used with

- [mlexperiments::MLTuneParameters](#)
- [mlexperiments::MLCrossValidation](#)
- [mlexperiments::MLNestedCV](#)

Super class

[mlexperiments::MLLearnerBase](#) -> LearnerLightgbm

Methods

Public methods:

- [LearnerLightgbm\\$new\(\)](#)
- [LearnerLightgbm\\$clone\(\)](#)

Method `new()`: Create a new LearnerLightgbm object.

Usage:

```
LearnerLightgbm$new(metric_optimization_higher_better)
```

Arguments:

`metric_optimization_higher_better` A logical. Defines the direction of the optimization metric used throughout the hyperparameter optimization.

Returns: A new LearnerLightgbm R6 object.

Examples:

```
if (requireNamespace("lightgbm", quietly = TRUE)) {
  LearnerLightgbm$new(metric_optimization_higher_better = FALSE)
}
```

Method `clone()`: The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

Usage:

```
LearnerLightgbm$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

Arguments:

`deep` Whether to make a deep clone.

See Also

[lightgbm::lgb.train\(\)](#), [lightgbm::lgb.cv\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# binary classification
if (requireNamespace("lightgbm", quietly = TRUE) &&
  requireNamespace("mlbench", quietly = TRUE) &&
  requireNamespace("measures", quietly = TRUE)) {

  library(mlbench)
  data("PimaIndiansDiabetes2")
}
```

```

dataset <- PimaIndiansDiabetes2 |>
  data.table::as.data.table() |>
  na.omit()

seed <- 123
feature_cols <- colnames(dataset)[1:8]

param_list_lightgbm <- expand.grid(
  bagging_fraction = seq(0.6, 1, .2),
  feature_fraction = seq(0.6, 1, .2),
  min_data_in_leaf = seq(10, 50, 10),
  learning_rate = seq(0.1, 0.2, 0.1),
  num_leaves = seq(10, 50, 10),
  max_depth = -1L
)

train_x <- model.matrix(
  ~ -1 + .,
  dataset[, .SD, .SDcols = feature_cols]
)
train_y <- as.integer(dataset[, get("diabetes")]) - 1L

fold_list <- splitTools::create_folds(
  y = train_y,
  k = 3,
  type = "stratified",
  seed = seed
)
lightgbm_cv <- mlexperiments::MLCrossValidation$new(
  learner = mllrnrs::LearnerLightgbm$new(
    metric_optimization_higher_better = FALSE
  ),
  fold_list = fold_list,
  ncores = 2,
  seed = 123
)
lightgbm_cv$learner_args <- c(
  as.list(
    data.table::data.table(
      param_list_lightgbm[37, ],
      stringsAsFactors = FALSE
    ),
  ),
  list(
    objective = "binary",
    metric = "binary_logloss"
  ),
  nrounds = 45L
)
lightgbm_cv$performance_metric_args <- list(positive = "1", negative = "0")
lightgbm_cv$performance_metric <- mlexperiments::metric("AUC")

# set data

```

```

    lightgbm_cv$set_data(
      x = train_x,
      y = train_y
    )

    lightgbm_cv$execute()
  }

## -----
## Method `LearnerLightgbm$new`
## -----

if (requireNamespace("lightgbm", quietly = TRUE)) {
  LearnerLightgbm$new(metric_optimization_higher_better = FALSE)
}

```

LearnerRanger

R6 Class to construct a Ranger learner

Description

The LearnerRanger class is the interface to the ranger R package for use with the `mlexperiments` package.

Details

Optimization metric:

- classification: classification error rate
- regression: mean squared error Can be used with
- [mlexperiments::MLTuneParameters](#)
- [mlexperiments::MLCrossValidation](#)
- [mlexperiments::MLNestedCV](#)

Super class

[mlexperiments::MLLearnerBase](#) -> LearnerRanger

Methods

Public methods:

- [LearnerRanger\\$new\(\)](#)
- [LearnerRanger\\$clone\(\)](#)

Method `new()`: Create a new LearnerRanger object.

Usage:

```
LearnerRanger$new()
```

Returns: A new LearnerRanger R6 object.

Examples:

```
if (requireNamespace("ranger", quietly = TRUE)) {
  LearnerRanger$new()
}
```

Method `clone()`: The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

Usage:

```
LearnerRanger$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

Arguments:

`deep` Whether to make a deep clone.

See Also

[ranger::ranger\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# binary classification
if (requireNamespace("ranger", quietly = TRUE) &&
    requireNamespace("mlbench", quietly = TRUE) &&
    requireNamespace("measures", quietly = TRUE)) {

  library(mlbench)
  data("PimaIndiansDiabetes2")
  dataset <- PimaIndiansDiabetes2 |>
    data.table::as.data.table() |>
    na.omit()

  seed <- 123
  feature_cols <- colnames(dataset)[1:8]

  param_list_ranger <- expand.grid(
    num.trees = seq(500, 1000, 500),
    mtry = seq(2, 6, 2),
    min.node.size = seq(1, 9, 4),
    max.depth = seq(1, 9, 4),
    sample.fraction = seq(0.5, 0.8, 0.3)
  )

  train_x <- model.matrix(
    ~ -1 + .,
    dataset[, .SD, .SDcols = feature_cols]
  )
  train_y <- as.integer(dataset[, get("diabetes")]) - 1L
```



```

fold_list <- splitTools::create_folds(
  y = train_y,
  k = 3,
  type = "stratified",
  seed = seed
)
ranger_cv <- ml experiments::MLCrossValidation$new(
  learner = mlrnrns::LearnerRanger$new(),
  fold_list = fold_list,
  ncores = 2,
  seed = 123
)
ranger_cv$learner_args <- c(
  as.list(
    data.table::data.table(
      param_list_ranger[37, ],
      stringsAsFactors = FALSE
    ),
  ),
  list(classification = TRUE)
)
ranger_cv$performance_metric_args <- list(positive = "1", negative = "0")
ranger_cv$performance_metric <- ml experiments::metric("AUC")

# set data
ranger_cv$set_data(
  x = train_x,
  y = train_y
)

ranger_cv$execute()
}

## -----
## Method `LearnerRanger$new`
## -----

if (requireNamespace("ranger", quietly = TRUE)) {
  LearnerRanger$new()
}

```

LearnerXgboost

R6 Class to construct a Xgboost learner

Description

The `LearnerXgboost` class is the interface to the `xgboost` R package for use with the `ml experiments` package.

Details

Optimization metric: needs to be specified with the learner parameter `eval_metric`. The following options can be set via `options()`:

- "mlexperiments.optim.xgb.nrounds" (default: 5000L)
- "mlexperiments.optim.xgb.early_stopping_rounds" (default: 500L)
- "mlexperiments.xgb.print_every_n" (default: 50L)
- "mlexperiments.xgb.verbose" (default: FALSE)

LearnerXgboost can be used with

- `mlexperiments::MLTuneParameters`
- `mlexperiments::MLCrossValidation`
- `mlexperiments::MLNestedCV`

Super class

`mlexperiments::MLLearnerBase` -> LearnerXgboost

Methods

Public methods:

- `LearnerXgboost$new()`
- `LearnerXgboost$clone()`

Method `new()`: Create a new LearnerXgboost object.

Usage:

```
LearnerXgboost$new(metric_optimization_higher_better)
```

Arguments:

`metric_optimization_higher_better` A logical. Defines the direction of the optimization metric used throughout the hyperparameter optimization.

Returns: A new LearnerXgboost R6 object.

Examples:

```
if (requireNamespace("xgboost", quietly = TRUE)) {
  LearnerXgboost$new(metric_optimization_higher_better = FALSE)
}
```

Method `clone()`: The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

Usage:

```
LearnerXgboost$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

Arguments:

`deep` Whether to make a deep clone.

See Also

`xgboost::xgb.train()`, `xgboost::xgb.cv()`

Examples

```
if (requireNamespace("xgboost", quietly = TRUE) &&
    requireNamespace("mlbench", quietly = TRUE) &&
    requireNamespace("measures", quietly = TRUE)) {

  # binary classification
  Sys.setenv("OMP_THREAD_LIMIT" = 2)

  library(mlbench)
  data("PimaIndiansDiabetes2")
  dataset <- PimaIndiansDiabetes2 |>
    data.table::as.data.table() |>
    na.omit()

  seed <- 123
  feature_cols <- colnames(dataset)[1:8]

  param_list_xgboost <- expand.grid(
    subsample = seq(0.6, 1, .2),
    colsample_bytree = seq(0.6, 1, .2),
    min_child_weight = seq(1, 5, 4),
    learning_rate = seq(0.1, 0.2, 0.1),
    max_depth = seq(1, 5, 4),
    nthread = 2
  )

  train_x <- model.matrix(
    ~ -1 + .,
    dataset[, .SD, .SDcols = feature_cols]
  )
  train_y <- as.integer(dataset[, get("diabetes")]) - 1L

  fold_list <- splitTools::create_folds(
    y = train_y,
    k = 3,
    type = "stratified",
    seed = seed
  )
  xgboost_cv <- mlexperiments::MLCrossValidation$new(
    learner = mllrnrs::LearnerXgboost$new(
      metric_optimization_higher_better = FALSE
    ),
    fold_list = fold_list,
    ncores = 2L,
    seed = 123
  )
  xgboost_cv$learner_args <- c(
    as.list(
```

```

      data.table::data.table(
        param_list_xgboost[37, ],
        stringsAsFactors = FALSE
      ),
    ),
    list(
      objective = "binary:logistic",
      eval_metric = "logloss"
    ),
    nrounds = 45L
  )
xgboost_cv$performance_metric_args <- list(positive = "1", negative = "0")
xgboost_cv$performance_metric <- mlexperiments::metric("AUC")

# set data
xgboost_cv$set_data(
  x = train_x,
  y = train_y
)

xgboost_cv$execute()
}

## -----
## Method `LearnerXgboost$new`
## -----

if (requireNamespace("xgboost", quietly = TRUE)) {
  LearnerXgboost$new(metric_optimization_higher_better = FALSE)
}

```

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