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contrast patterns (Chen (2022) <doi:10.48550/arXiv.2209.13556>),
emerging patterns (Dong (1999) <doi:10.1145/312129.312191>),
association rules (Agrawal (1994) <https://www.vldb.org/conf/1994/P487.PDF>) and
conditional correlations (Hájek (1978) <doi:10.1007/978-3-642-66943-9>).
Both crisp (Boolean, binary) and fuzzy data are supported.
It generates conditions in the form of elementary conjunctions, evaluates
them on a dataset and checks the induced sub-data for interesting statistical
properties. A user-defined function may be defined to evaluate on each generated
condition to search for custom patterns.

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Contents

`dichotomize` *Create dummy columns from logicals or factors in a data frame*

Description

Create dummy logical columns from selected columns of the data frame. Dummy columns may be created for logical or factor columns as follows:

Usage

```
dichotomize(.data, what = everything(), ..., .keep = FALSE, .other = FALSE)
```

Arguments

`.data`	a data frame to be processed
`what`	a tidyselect expression (see tidyselect syntax) selecting the columns to be processed
`...`	further tidyselect expressions for selecting the columns to be processed
`.keep`	whether to keep the original columns. If FALSE, the original columns are removed from the result.
`.other`	whether to put into result the rest of columns that were not specified for dichotomization in `what` argument.

Details

- for logical column `col`, a pair of columns is created named `col=T` and `col=F` where the former (resp. latter) is equal to the original (resp. negation of the original);
- for factor column `col`, a new logical column is created for each level `l` of the factor `col` and named as `col=l` with a value set to TRUE wherever the original column is equal to `l`.

Value

A tibble with selected columns replaced with dummy columns.

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`dig` *Search for rules*

Description

This is a general function that enumerates all conditions created from data in `x` and calls the callback function `f` on each.

Usage

```
dig(
  x,
  f,
  condition = everything(),
  focus = NULL,
  disjoint = NULL,
  min_length = 0,
  max_length = Inf,
  min_support = 0,
  min_focus_support = min_support,
  filter_empty_foci = FALSE,
  t_norm = "goguen",
  threads = 1,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

`x`	a matrix or data frame. The matrix must be numeric (double) or logical. If `x` is a data frame then each column must be either numeric (double) or logical.
`f`	the callback function executed for each generated condition. This function may have some of the following arguments. Based on the present arguments, the algorithm would provide information about the generated condition: - `condition` - a named integer vector of column indices that represent the predicates of the condition. Names of the vector correspond to column names; - `support` - a numeric scalar value of the current condition's support; - `indices` - a logical vector indicating the rows satisfying the condition; - `weights` - (similar to indices) weights of rows to which they satisfy the current condition; - `pp` - a value of a contingency table, `condition & focus`. `pp` is a named numeric vector where

each value is a support of conjunction of the condition with a foci column (see the `focus` argument to specify, which columns). Names of the vector are foci column names. - `pn` - a value of a contingency table, `condition & neg focus`. `pn` is a named numeric vector where each value is a support of conjunction of the condition with a negated foci column (see the `focus` argument to specify, which columns are foci) - names of the vector are foci column names. - `np` - a value of a contingency table, `neg condition & focus`. `np` is a named numeric vector where each value is a support of conjunction of the negated condition with a foci column (see the `focus` argument to specify, which columns are foci) - names of the vector are foci column names. - `nn` - a value of a contingency table, `neg condition & neg focus`. `nn` is a named numeric vector where each value is a support of conjunction of the negated condition with a negated foci column (see the `focus` argument to specify, which columns are foci) - names of the vector are foci column names. - `foci_supports` - (deprecated, use `pp` instead) a named numeric vector of supports of foci columns (see `focus` argument to specify, which columns are foci) - names of the vector are foci column names.

`condition` a tidyselect expression (see tidyselect syntax) specifying the columns to use as condition predicates

`focus` a tidyselect expression (see tidyselect syntax) specifying the columns to use as focus predicates

`disjoint` an atomic vector of size equal to the number of columns of `x` that specifies the groups of predicates: if some elements of the `disjoint` vector are equal, then the corresponding columns of `x` will NOT be present together in a single condition.

`min_length` the minimum size (the minimum number of predicates) of the condition to be generated (must be greater or equal to 0). If 0, the empty condition is generated in the first place.

`max_length` The maximum size (the maximum number of predicates) of the condition to be generated. If equal to Inf, the maximum length of conditions is limited only by the number of available predicates.

`min_support` the minimum support of a condition to trigger the callback function for it. The support of the condition is the relative frequency of the condition in the dataset `x`. For logical data, it equals to the relative frequency of rows such that all condition predicates are TRUE on it. For numerical (double) input, the support is computed as the mean (over all rows) of multiplications of predicate values.

`min_focus_support` the minimum support of a focus, for the focus to be passed to the callback function. The support of the focus is the relative frequency of rows such that all condition predicates AND the focus are TRUE on it. For numerical (double) input, the support is computed as the mean (over all rows) of multiplications of predicate values.

`filter_empty_foci` a logical scalar indicating whether to skip conditions, for which no focus remains available after filtering by `min_focus_support`. If `TRUE`, the condition is passed to the callback function only if at least one focus remains after filter-

	ing. If FALSE, the condition is passed to the callback function regardless of the number of remaining foci.
t_norm	a t-norm used to compute conjunction of weights. It must be one of "goedel" (minimum t-norm), "goguen" (product t-norm), or "lukas" (Lukasiewicz t-norm).
threads	the number of threads to use for parallel computation.
...	Further arguments, currently unused.

Value

A list of results provided by the callback function f.

Author(s)

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`dig_contrasts` *Search for contrast patterns*

Description

Search for contrast patterns

Usage

```
dig_contrasts(
  x,
  condition = where(is.logical),
  xvars = where(is.numeric),
  yvars = where(is.numeric),
  method = "t",
  alternative = "two.sided",
  min_length = 0L,
  max_length = Inf,
  min_support = 0,
  threads = 1,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

x	a matrix or data frame with data to search in.
condition	a tidyselect expression (see tidyselect syntax) specifying the columns to use as condition predicates
xvars	a tidyselect expression (see tidyselect syntax) specifying the columns to use for computation of contrasts

yvars	a tidyselect expression (see tidyselect syntax) specifying the columns to use for computation of contrasts
method	a character string indicating which contrast to compute. One of "t", "wilcox", or "var". "t" (resp. "wilcos") compute a parametric (resp. non-parametric) test on equality in position, and "var" performs the F-test on equality of variance.
alternative	indicates the alternative hypothesis and must be one of "two.sided", "greater" or "less". "greater" corresponds to positive association, "less" to negative association.
min_length	the minimum size (the minimum number of predicates) of the condition to be generated (must be greater or equal to 0). If 0, the empty condition is generated in the first place.
max_length	The maximum size (the maximum number of predicates) of the condition to be generated. If equal to Inf, the maximum length of conditions is limited only by the number of available predicates.
min_support	the minimum support of a condition to trigger the callback function for it. The support of the condition is the relative frequency of the condition in the dataset x. For logical data, it equals to the relative frequency of rows such that all condition predicates are TRUE on it. For numerical (double) input, the support is computed as the mean (over all rows) of multiplications of predicate values.
threads	the number of threads to use for parallel computation.
...	Further arguments passed to the underlying test function (t.test(), wilcox.test(), or var.test() accordingly to the selected method).

Value

A tibble with found rules.

Author(s)

Michal Burda

See Also

dig(), dig_grid(), stats::t.test(), stats::wilcox.test(), stats::var.test()

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dig_correlations *Search for conditional correlations*

Description

Compute correlation between all combinations of xvars and yvars columns of x in sub-data corresponding to conditions generated from condition columns.

Usage

```
dig_correlations(
  x,
  condition = where(is.logical),
  xvars = where(is.numeric),
  yvars = where(is.numeric),
  method = "pearson",
  alternative = "two.sided",
  exact = NULL,
  min_length = 0L,
  max_length = Inf,
  min_support = 0,
  threads = 1,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

x	a matrix or data frame with data to search in.
condition	a tidyselect expression (see tidyselect syntax) specifying the columns to use as condition predicates
xvars	a tidyselect expression (see tidyselect syntax) specifying the columns to use for computation of correlations
yvars	a tidyselect expression (see tidyselect syntax) specifying the columns to use for computation of correlations
method	a character string indicating which correlation coefficient is to be used for the test. One of "pearson", "kendall", or "spearman"
alternative	indicates the alternative hypothesis and must be one of "two.sided", "greater" or "less". "greater" corresponds to positive association, "less" to negative association.
exact	a logical indicating whether an exact p-value should be computed. Used for Kendall's *tau* and Spearman's *rho*. See stats::cor.test() for more information.
min_length	the minimum size (the minimum number of predicates) of the condition to be generated (must be greater or equal to 0). If 0, the empty condition is generated in the first place.
max_length	The maximum size (the maximum number of predicates) of the condition to be generated. If equal to Inf, the maximum length of conditions is limited only by the number of available predicates.
min_support	the minimum support of a condition to trigger the callback function for it. The support of the condition is the relative frequency of the condition in the dataset x. For logical data, it equals to the relative frequency of rows such that all condition predicates are TRUE on it. For numerical (double) input, the support is computed as the mean (over all rows) of multiplications of predicate values.
threads	the number of threads to use for parallel computation.
...	Further arguments, currently unused.

Value

A tibble with found rules.

Author(s)

Michal Burda

See Also

dig(), stats::cor.test()

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dig_grid *Search for grid-based rules*

Description

This function creates a grid of combinations of pairs of columns specified by xvars and yvars (see also var_grid()). After that, it enumerates all conditions created from data in x (by calling dig()) and for each such condition and for each row of the grid of combinations, a user-defined function f is executed on each sub-data created from x by selecting all rows of x that satisfy the generated condition and by selecting the columns in the grid's row.

Usage

```
dig_grid(
  x,
  f,
  condition = where(is.logical),
  xvars = where(is.numeric),
  yvars = where(is.numeric),
  na_rm = FALSE,
  type = "bool",
  min_length = 0L,
  max_length = Inf,
  min_support = 0,
  threads = 1,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

x	a matrix or data frame with data to search in.
f	the callback function to be executed for each generated condition. The arguments of the callback function differ based on the value of the type argument (see below). If type = "bool", the callback function f must accept a single argument d of type data.frame with two columns (xvar and yvar). It is a subset of the original data frame with all rows that satisfy the generated condition.

If `type = "fuzzy"`, the callback function `f` must accept an argument `d` of type `data.frame` with two columns (xvar and yvar) and a numeric `weights` argument with the same length as the number of rows in `d`. The `weights` argument contains the truth degree of the generated condition for each row of `d`. The truth degree is a number in the interval $[0, 1]$ that represents the degree of satisfaction of the condition for the row. In all cases, the function must return a list of scalar values, which will be converted into a single row of result of final tibble.

`condition` a tidyselect expression (see tidyselect syntax) specifying the columns to use as condition predicates. The selected columns must be logical or numeric. If numeric, fuzzy conditions are considered.

`xvars` a tidyselect expression (see tidyselect syntax) specifying the columns of `x`, whose names will be used as a domain for combinations use at the first place (xvar)

`yvars` a tidyselect expression (see tidyselect syntax) specifying the columns of `x`, whose names will be used as a domain for combinations use at the second place (yvar)

`na_rm` a logical value indicating whether to remove rows with missing values from sub-data before the callback function `f` is called

`type` a character string specifying the type of conditions to be processed. The `"bool"` type accepts only logical columns as condition predicates. The `"fuzzy"` type accepts both logical and numeric columns as condition predicates where numeric data are in the interval $[0, 1]$. The callback function `f` differs based on the value of the `type` argument (see the description of `f` above).

`min_length` the minimum size (the minimum number of predicates) of the condition to be generated (must be greater or equal to 0). If 0, the empty condition is generated in the first place.

`max_length` the maximum size (the maximum number of predicates) of the condition to be generated. If equal to Inf, the maximum length of conditions is limited only by the number of available predicates.

`min_support` the minimum support of a condition to trigger the callback function for it. The support of the condition is the relative frequency of the condition in the dataset `x`. For logical data, it equals to the relative frequency of rows such that all condition predicates are TRUE on it. For numerical (double) input, the support is computed as the mean (over all rows) of multiplications of predicate values.

`threads` the number of threads to use for parallel computation.

`...` Further arguments, currently unused.

Value

A tibble with found rules. Each row represents a single call of the callback function `f`.

Author(s)

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See Also

`dig()`, `var_grid()`, and `dig_correlations()`, as it is using this function internally

`dig_implications` *Search for implicative rules*

Description

Implicative rule is a rule of the form $A \Rightarrow c$, where A (*antecedent*) is a set of predicates and c (*consequent*) is a predicate.

Usage

```
dig_implications(
  x,
  antecedent = everything(),
  consequent = everything(),
  disjoint = NULL,
  min_length = 0L,
  max_length = Inf,
  min_coverage = 0,
  min_support = 0,
  min_confidence = 0,
  contingency_table = FALSE,
  measures = NULL,
  t_norm = "goguen",
  threads = 1,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

`x`	a matrix or data frame with data to search in. The matrix must be numeric (double) or logical. If `x` is a data frame then each column must be either numeric (double) or logical.
`antecedent`	a tidyselect expression (see tidyselect syntax) specifying the columns to use in the antecedent (left) part of the rules
`consequent`	a tidyselect expression (see tidyselect syntax) specifying the columns to use in the consequent (right) part of the rules
`disjoint`	an atomic vector of size equal to the number of columns of `x` that specifies the groups of predicates: if some elements of the `disjoint` vector are equal, then the corresponding columns of `x` will NOT be present together in a single condition.
`min_length`	the minimum length, i.e., the minimum number of predicates in the antecedent, of a rule to be generated. Value must be greater or equal to 0. If 0, rules with empty antecedent are generated in the first place.
`max_length`	The maximum length, i.e., the maximum number of predicates in the antecedent, of a rule to be generated. If equal to Inf, the maximum length is limited only by the number of available predicates.

`min_coverage` the minimum coverage of a rule in the dataset `x`. (See Description for the definition of *coverage*.)

`min_support` the minimum support of a rule in the dataset `x`. (See Description for the definition of *support*.)

`min_confidence` the minimum confidence of a rule in the dataset `x`. (See Description for the definition of *confidence*.)

`contingency_table`
a logical value indicating whether to provide a contingency table for each rule. If `TRUE`, the columns `pp`, `pn`, `np`, and `nn` are added to the output table. These columns contain the number of rows satisfying the antecedent and the consequent, the antecedent but not the consequent, the consequent but not the antecedent, and neither the antecedent nor the consequent, respectively.

`measures` a character vector specifying the additional quality measures to compute. If `NULL`, no additional measures are computed. Possible values are `"lift"`, `"conviction"`, `"added_value"`. See https://mhahsler.github.io/arules/docs/measures for a description of the measures.

`t_norm` a t-norm used to compute conjunction of weights. It must be one of `"goedel"` (minimum t-norm), `"goguen"` (product t-norm), or `"lukas"` (Lukasiewicz t-norm).

`threads` the number of threads to use for parallel computation.

`...` Further arguments, currently unused.

Details

For the following explanations we need a mathematical function $supp(I)$, which is defined for a set I of predicates as a relative frequency of rows satisfying all predicates from I. For logical data, $supp(I)$ equals to the relative frequency of rows, for which all predicates $i_1, i_2, \ldots, i_n$ from I are TRUE. For numerical (double) input, $supp(I)$ is computed as the mean (over all rows) of truth degrees of the formula `i_1 AND i_2 AND ... AND i_n`, where `AND` is a triangular norm selected by the `t_norm` argument.

Implicative rules are characterized with the following quality measures.

Length of a rule is the number of elements in the antecedent.

Coverage of a rule is equal to $supp(A)$.

Consequent support of a rule is equal to $supp(\{c\})$.

Support of a rule is equal to $supp(A \cup \{c\})$.

Confidence of a rule is the fraction $supp(A)/supp(A \cup \{c\})$.

Value

A tibble with found rules and computed quality measures.

Author(s)

Michal Burda

See Also

dig()

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format_condition *Format condition - convert a character vector to character scalar*

Description

Function takes a character vector of predicates and returns a formatted condition.

Usage

```
format_condition(condition)
```

Arguments

condition	a character vector

Value

a character scalar

Author(s)

Michal Burda

Examples

```
format_condition(NULL)              # returns {}
format_condition(c("a", "b", "c"))  # returns {a,b,c}
```

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is_degree *Tests whether the given argument is a numeric value from the interval* $[0, 1]$

Description

Tests whether the given argument is a numeric value from the interval $[0, 1]$

Usage

```
is_degree(x, na_rm = FALSE)
```

Arguments

x	the value to be tested
na_rm	whether to ignore NA values

Value

TRUE if x is a numeric vector or matrix with values between 0 and 1

Author(s)

Michal Burda

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is_subset *Determine whether the first vector is a subset of the second vector*

Description

Determine whether the first vector is a subset of the second vector

Usage

```
is_subset(x, y)
```

Arguments

x	the first vector
y	the second vector

Value

TRUE if x is a subset of y or FALSE otherwise.

Author(s)

Michal Burda

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partition *Convert columns of data frame to Boolean or fuzzy sets*

Description

Convert the selected columns of the data frame into either dummy logical columns (for logicals and factors), or into membership degrees of fuzzy sets (for numeric columns), while leaving the remaining columns untouched. Each column selected for transformation typically yields in multiple columns in the output.

Usage

```
partition(
  .data,
  .what = everything(),
  ...,
  .breaks = NULL,
  .labels = NULL,
  .na = TRUE,
  .keep = FALSE,
  .method = "crisp",
  .right = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

.data	the data frame to be processed
.what	a tidyselect expression (see tidyselect syntax) specifying the columns to be transformed
...	optional other tidyselect expressions selecting additional columns to be processed
.breaks	for numeric columns, this has to be either an integer scalar or a numeric vector. If .breaks is an integer scalar, it specifies the number of resulting intervals to break the numeric column to (for .method="crisp") or the number of target fuzzy sets (for .method="triangle" or .method="raisedcos). If .breaks is a vector, the values specify the borders of intervals (for .method="crisp") or the breaking points of fuzzy sets.
.labels	character vector specifying the names used to construct the newly created column names. If NULL, the labels are generated automatically.
.na	if TRUE, an additional logical column is created for each source column that contains NA values. For column named x, the newly created column's name will be x=NA.
.keep	if TRUE, the original columns being transformed remain present in the resulting data frame.
.method	The method of transformation for numeric columns. Either "crisp", "triangle", or "raisedcos" is required.
.right	If .method="crisp", this argument specifies if the intervals should be closed on the right (and open on the left) or vice versa.

Details

Concretely, the transformation of each selected column is performed as follows:

- logical column x is transformed into pair of logical columns, x=TRUE andx=FALSE;
- factor column x, which has levels l1, l2, and l3, is transformed into three logical columns named x=l1, x=l2, and x=l3;
- numerical columnx is transformed accordingly to .method argument:

- if `.method="crisp"`, the column is first transformed into a factor with intervals as factor levels and then it is processed as a factor (see above);
- for other `.method` (`triangle` or `raisedcos`), several new columns are created, where each column has numeric values from the interval $[0, 1]$ and represents a certain fuzzy set (either triangular or raised-cosinal). Details of transformation of numeric columns can be specified with additional arguments (`.breaks`, `.labels`, `.right`).

Value

A tibble created by transforming `.data`.

Author(s)

Michal Burda

`var_grid` *Create a tibble of combinations of xvar/yvar variable pairs.*

Description

The function creates a tibble with two columns, `xvar` and `yvar`, whose rows enumerate all combinations of column names specified in the `xvars` and `yvars` argument. The column names to create the combinations from are specified using a tidyselect expression (see tidyselect syntax).

Usage

```
var_grid(x, xvars = everything(), yvars = everything())
```

Arguments

`x`	either a data frame or a matrix
`xvars`	a tidyselect expression (see tidyselect syntax) specifying the columns of `x`, whose names will be used as a domain for combinations use at the first place (xvar)
`yvars`	a tidyselect expression (see tidyselect syntax) specifying the columns of `x`, whose names will be used as a domain for combinations use at the second place (yvar)

Value

a tibble with two columns (`xvar` and `yvar`) with rows enumerating all combinations of column names specified by tidyselect expressions in `xvars` and `yvars` arguments.

Author(s)

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Examples

```
var_grid(CO2)
var_grid(CO2, xvars = Plant:Treatment, yvars = conc:uptake)
```

`which_antichain` *Return indices of first elements of the list, which are incomparable with preceding elements.*

Description

The function returns indices of elements from the given list `x`, which are incomparable (i.e., it is neither subset nor superset) with any preceding element. The first element is always selected. The next element is selected only if it is incomparable with all previously selected elements.

Usage

```
which_antichain(x, distance = 0)
```

Arguments

`x`	a list of integerish vectors
`distance`	a non-negative integer, which specifies the allowed discrepancy between compared sets

Value

an integer vector of indices of selected (incomparable) elements.

Author(s)

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