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Description

Provides a guarded resampling workflow for training and evaluating machine-learning models. When the guarded resampling path is used, preprocessing and model fitting are re-estimated within each resampling split to reduce leakage risk. Supports multiple resampling schemes, integrates with established engines in the 'tidymodels' ecosystem, and aims to improve evaluation reliability by

coordinating preprocessing, fitting, and evaluation within supported workflows. Offers a lightweight

AutoML-style workflow by automating model training, resampling, and tuning across multiple algorithms,

while keeping evaluation design explicit and user-controlled.

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availableMethods Get Available Methods

Description

Returns a character vector of algorithm names available for classification, regression or survival tasks.

Usage

```
availableMethods(type = c("classification", "regression", "survival"), ...)
```

Arguments

```
    A character string specifying the type of task. Must be one of "classification", "regression", or "survival". Defaults to c("classification", "regression", "survival") and uses match.arg to select one.
    Additional arguments (currently not used).
```

Details

Depending on the specified type, the function returns a different set of algorithm names:

- For "classification", it returns algorithms such as "logistic_reg", "multinom_reg", "decision_tree", "C5_rules", "rand_forest", "xgboost", "lightgbm", "svm_linear", "svm_rbf", "nearest_neighbor", "naive_Bayes", "mlp", "discrim_linear", "discrim_quad", and "bag_tree".
- For "regression", it returns algorithms such as "linear_reg", "ridge_reg", "lasso_reg", "elastic_net", "decision_tree", "rand_forest", "xgboost", "lightgbm", "svm_linear", "svm_rbf", "nearest_neighbor", "mlp", "pls", and "bayes_glm".
- For "survival", it returns algorithms such as "rand_forest", "cox_ph", "penalized_cox", "stratified_cox", "time_varying_cox", "survreg", "royston_parmar", "parametric_surv", "piecewise_exp", and "xgboost".

Value

A character vector containing the names of the available algorithms for the specified task type.

```
counterfactual_explain
```

Generate counterfactual explanations for a fastml model

Description

Uses DALEX ceteris-paribus profiles ('predict_profile') to compute counterfactual-style what-if explanations for a given observation.

Usage

```
counterfactual_explain(
  object,
  observation,
  variables = NULL,
  positive_class = NULL,
  event_class = NULL,
  label_levels = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

object	A 'fastml' object.
observation	A single observation (data frame with one row) to compute counterfactuals for.
variables	Optional character vector of candidate variables to vary. Only numeric variables are used for counterfactual profiling.
positive_class	Optional string used to filter lines/points in the resulting profiles for classification tasks.
event_class	Optional event class indicator propagated from 'fastml_prepare_explainer_inputs()' (kept for compatibility).
label_levels	Optional vector of label levels propagated from 'fastml_prepare_explainer_inputs()' (kept for compatibility).
	Additional arguments passed to 'DALEX::predict_profile'.

Value

A list (returned invisibly) containing the DALEX profile, filtered lines/points when 'positive_class' is supplied, and the plotted object if rendering succeeds.

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explain_ale

Compute Accumulated Local Effects (ALE) for a fastml model

Description

Uses the 'iml' package to calculate ALE for the specified feature.

Usage

```
explain_ale(object, feature, ...)
```

Arguments

object A 'fastml' object.

feature Character string specifying the feature name.

... Additional arguments passed to 'iml::FeatureEffect'.

Value

An 'iml' object containing ALE results.

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(iris)
iris <- iris[iris$Species != "setosa", ]
iris$Species <- factor(iris$Species)
model <- fastml(data = iris, label = "Species")
explain_ale(model, feature = "Sepal.Length")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

explain_dalex

Generate DALEX explanations for a fastml model

Description

Creates a DALEX explainer and computes permutation based variable importance, partial dependence (model profiles) and Shapley values.

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Usage

```
explain_dalex(
  object,
  features = NULL,
  grid_size = 20,
  shap_sample = 5,
  vi_iterations = 10,
  seed = 123,
  loss_function = NULL
)
```

Arguments

object A fastml object.

features Character vector of feature names for partial dependence (model profiles). De-

fault NULL.

grid_size Number of grid points for partial dependence. Default 20.

shap_sample Integer number of observations from processed training data to compute SHAP

values for. Default 5.

vi_iterations Integer. Number of permutations for variable importance (B). Default 10.

seed Integer. A value specifying the random seed.

loss_function Function. The loss function for model_parts.

• If NULL and task = 'classification', defaults to DALEX::loss_cross_entropy.

• If NULL and task = 'regression', defaults to DALEX::loss_root_mean_square.

Value

Invisibly returns a list with variable importance, optional model profiles and SHAP values.

explain_lime Generate LIME explanations for a fastml model

Description

Creates a 'lime' explainer using the processed training data stored in the 'fastml' object and returns feature explanations for new observations.

```
explain_lime(object, new_observation, n_features = 5, n_labels = 1, ...)
```

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Arguments

```
object A 'fastml' object.

new_observation

A data frame containing the new observation(s) to explain.

n_features

Number of features to show in the explanation. Default 5.

n_labels

Number of labels to explain (classification only). Default 1.

Additional arguments passed to 'lime::explain'.
```

Value

An object produced by 'lime::explain'.

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(iris)
iris <- iris[iris$Species != "setosa", ]
iris$Species <- factor(iris$Species)
model <- fastml(data = iris, label = "Species")
explain_lime(model, new_observation = iris[1, ])
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

fastexplain

Explain a fastml model using various techniques

Description

Provides model explainability across several backends. With method = "dalex" it:

- Creates a DALEX explainer from the trained model.
- Computes permutation-based variable importance with vi_iterations permutations and displays the table and plot.
- Computes partial dependence-like model profiles when features are supplied.
- Computes Shapley values (SHAP) for shap_sample training rows, displays the SHAP table, and plots a summary bar chart of mean(|SHAP value|) per feature. For classification, separate bars per class are shown.

```
fastexplain(
  object,
  method = "dalex",
  features = NULL,
  variables = NULL,
  observation = NULL,
```

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```
grid_size = 20,
shap_sample = 5,
vi_iterations = 10,
seed = 123,
loss_function = NULL,
protected = NULL,
...
)
```

Arguments

object	A fastml object.
method	Character string specifying the explanation method. Supported values are "dalex", "lime", "ice", "ale", "surrogate", "interaction", "studio", "fairness", "breakdown", and "counterfactual". Defaults to "dalex".
features	Character vector of feature names for partial dependence (model profiles). Default NULL.
variables	Character vector. Variable names to compute explanations for (used for counterfactuals).
observation	A single observation for methods that need a new data point (method = "counterfactual" or method = "breakdown"). Default NULL.
grid_size	Number of grid points for partial dependence. Default 20.
shap_sample	Integer number of observations from processed training data to compute SHAP values for. Default 5.
vi_iterations	Integer. Number of permutations for variable importance (B). Default 10.
seed	Integer. A value specifying the random seed.
loss_function	Function. The loss function for model_parts.
	 If NULL and task = 'classification', defaults to DALEX::loss_cross_entropy. If NULL and task = 'regression', defaults to DALEX::loss_root_mean_square.
protected	Character or factor vector of protected attribute(s) required for method = "fairness". Default NULL.
• • •	Additional arguments passed to the underlying helper functions for the chosen method.

Details

- **Method dispatch:** method can route to LIME, ICE, ALE, surrogate tree, interaction strengths, DALEX/modelStudio dashboards, fairness diagnostics, iBreakDown contributions, or counterfactual search.
- Variable importance controls: Use vi_iterations to tune permutation stability and loss_function to override the default DALEX loss (cross-entropy for classification, RMSE for regression).
- Fairness and breakdown support: Provide protected for method = "fairness" and an observation for method = "breakdown" or method = "counterfactual". Observations are aligned to the explainer data before scoring.

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Value

For DALEX-based methods, prints variable importance, model profiles, and SHAP summaries. Other methods return their respective explainer objects (e.g., LIME explanations, ALE plot, surrogate tree, interaction strengths, modelStudio dashboard, fairmodels object, breakdown object, or counterfactual results), usually invisibly after plotting or printing.

fastexplore

Lightweight exploratory helper

Description

'fastexplore()' is an optional, lightweight exploratory data analysis (EDA) helper. It returns summary tables and plot objects; it only writes to disk or renders a report when you explicitly request it via 'save_results' or 'render_report'.

Usage

```
fastexplore(
  data,
  label = NULL,
  visualize = c("histogram", "boxplot", "barplot", "heatmap", "scatterplot"),
  save_results = FALSE,
  render_report = FALSE,
  output_dir = NULL,
  sample_size = NULL,
  interactive = FALSE,
  corr_threshold = 0.9,
  auto_convert_numeric = TRUE,
  visualize_missing = TRUE,
  imputation_suggestions = FALSE,
  report_duplicate_details = TRUE,
  detect_near_duplicates = FALSE,
  auto_convert_dates = FALSE,
  feature_engineering = FALSE,
  outlier_method = c("iqr", "zscore", "dbscan", "lof"),
  run_distribution_checks = TRUE,
  normality_tests = c("shapiro"),
 pairwise_matrix = TRUE,
 max_scatter_cols = 5,
  grouped_plots = TRUE,
 use_upset_missing = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

data

A 'data.frame' to explore.

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plots and class balance summaries are produced.

Optional column name of the target/label. If supplied and categorical, grouped

visualize Character vector indicating which plot families to build. Defaults to 'c("histogram", "boxplot", "barplot", "heatmap", "scatterplot")'. Logical; if 'TRUE', plots/results are saved under 'output_dir' (defaults to the save_results working directory). Default is 'FALSE'. render_report Logical; if 'TRUE', a short HTML report is rendered via 'rmarkdown' (if available). Default is 'FALSE'. Directory to save results/report when 'save_results' or 'render_report' is 'TRUE'. output_dir Optional integer; if supplied, visualizations are produced on a random sample sample_size of this size. Logical; if 'TRUE' and 'plotly' is available, an interactive correlation heatmap interactive is produced. Falls back to static ggplot output otherwise. corr_threshold Absolute correlation threshold for flagging high correlations. auto_convert_numeric Logical; convert factor/character columns that look numeric into numeric. visualize_missing Logical; if 'TRUE', include simple missingness visualizations. imputation_suggestions Logical; if 'TRUE', prints lightweight suggestions based on missingness patterns. report_duplicate_details Logical; if 'TRUE', returns a small sample of duplicated rows when present. detect_near_duplicates Placeholder for future fuzzy duplicate checks. auto_convert_dates Logical; convert YYYY-MM-DD strings to 'Date'. feature_engineering Logical; if 'TRUE', derive day/month/year from date columns to aid inspection of temporal structure. outlier_method One of "iqr", "zscore", "dbscan", "lof". run_distribution_checks

Logical; if 'TRUE', run normality tests on numeric columns.

normality_tests

label

Character vector of normality tests to run; currently supports "shapiro" and "ks".

pairwise_matrix

Logical; if 'TRUE' and 'GGally' is available, returns a ggpairs scatterplot matrix for a subset of numeric columns.

max_scatter_cols

Maximum number of numeric columns to include in the pairwise matrix.

grouped_plots Logical; if 'TRUE' and 'label' is a factor, group histograms/boxplots/density plots by label.

use_upset_missing

Logical; retained for compatibility. When 'TRUE' and 'UpSetR' is installed, an UpSet plot of missingness is returned; otherwise a simpler missingness heatmap is used.

Details

This helper is intentionally decoupled from the core modeling workflow. Most of its heavy dependencies are treated as optional and loaded via 'requireNamespace()' when requested features are used.

Value

A list of summaries (tables/tibbles) and plot objects (ggplot/plotly), plus any saved file paths when 'save_results'/'render_report' are enabled.

fastml

Fast Machine Learning Function

Description

Trains and evaluates multiple classification or regression models automatically detecting the task based on the target variable type.

```
fastml(
  data = NULL,
  train_data = NULL,
  test_data = NULL,
  label,
  algorithms = "all",
  task = "auto",
  test_size = 0.2,
  resampling_method = if (identical(task, "survival")) "none" else "cv",
  folds = ifelse(grepl("cv", resampling_method), 10, 25),
  repeats = NULL,
  group_cols = NULL,
 block_col = NULL,
 block_size = NULL,
  initial_window = NULL,
  assess_window = NULL,
  skip = 0,
  outer_folds = NULL,
  event_class = "first",
  exclude = NULL,
  recipe = NULL,
  tune_params = NULL,
  engine_params = list(),
 metric = NULL,
  algorithm_engines = NULL,
  n_{cores} = 1,
  stratify = TRUE,
```

```
impute_method = "error",
  encode_categoricals = TRUE,
  scaling_methods = c("center", "scale"),
  balance_method = "none",
  resamples = NULL,
  summaryFunction = NULL,
  use_default_tuning = FALSE,
  tuning_strategy = "grid",
  tuning_iterations = 10,
  early_stopping = FALSE,
  adaptive = FALSE,
  learning_curve = FALSE,
  seed = 123,
  verbose = FALSE,
  eval_times = NULL,
  bootstrap_ci = TRUE,
  bootstrap_samples = 500,
  bootstrap_seed = NULL,
  at_risk_threshold = 0.1,
  audit_mode = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

data A data frame containing the complete dataset. If both 'train_data' and 'test_data'

are 'NULL', 'fastml()' will split this into training and testing sets according to

'test_size' and 'stratify'. Defaults to 'NULL'.

train_data A data frame pre-split for model training. If provided, 'test_data' must also be

supplied, and no internal splitting will occur. Defaults to 'NULL'.

test_data A data frame pre-split for model evaluation. If provided, 'train_data' must also

be supplied, and no internal splitting will occur. Defaults to 'NULL'.

label A string specifying the name of the target variable. For survival analysis, supply

a character vector with the names of the time and status columns.

algorithms A vector of algorithm names to use. Default is "all" to run all supported algo-

rithms.

task Character string specifying model type selection. Use "auto" to let the function

detect whether the target is for classification, regression, or survival based on the data. Survival is detected when 'label' is a character vector of length 2 that matches time and status columns in the data. You may also explicitly set to

"classification", "regression", or "survival".

test_size A numeric value between 0 and 1 indicating the proportion of the data to use for

testing. Default is 0.2.

resampling_method

A string specifying the resampling method for model evaluation. Default is "cv" (cross-validation) for classification/regression. Other options include "none", "boot", "repeatedcv", "grouped_cv", "blocked_cv", "rolling_origin",

	compatible engines (e.g., censored/ranger, glmnet). Native survival engines (flexsurv/rstpm2/custom xgboost) ignore resampling and will error if custom resamples are supplied. When the task auto-detects survival and resampling_method is omitted, it defaults to "none" so native engines continue to run; set it explicitly to enable resampling for parsnip survival fits.
folds	An integer specifying the number of folds for cross-validation. Default is 10 for methods containing "cv" and 25 otherwise.
repeats	Number of times to repeat cross-validation (only applicable for methods like "repeatedcv").
group_cols	Character vector naming one or more grouping columns used when resampling_method = "grouped_cv" or when grouped nested cross-validation is desired. All rows that share the same combination of values remain together in every fold. Columns must exist in the training data and cannot contain missing values.
block_col	Single column name that defines the ordering variable for resampling_method = "blocked_cv" or "rolling_origin". Data must already be sorted in ascending order by this column to avoid leakage from future observations.
block_size	Positive integer specifying the block size for "blocked_cv".
initial_window	Positive integer giving the number of observations in the initial training window for "rolling_origin" resampling.
assess_window	Positive integer giving the number of observations in each assessment window for "rolling_origin" resampling.
skip	Non-negative integer specifying how many potential rolling windows to skip between successive resamples when resampling_method = "rolling_origin".
outer_folds	Positive integer giving the number of outer folds to use when resampling_method = "nested_cv" and no custom resamples object is supplied.
event_class	A single string. Either "first" or "second" to specify which level of truth to consider as the "event". Default is "first".
exclude	A character vector specifying the names of the columns to be excluded from the training process.
recipe	A user-defined recipe object for custom preprocessing. If provided, internal recipe steps (imputation, encoding, scaling) are skipped.
tune_params	A named list of tuning ranges for each algorithm and engine pair. Example: $list(rand_forest = list(ranger = list(mtry = c(1, 3))))$ will override the defaults for the ranger engine. Default is NULL.

and "nested_cv". For survival tasks, resampling is supported for parsnip-

engine_params

A named list of engine-level arguments to pass directly to the underlying model fitting functions. Use this for fixed settings that should apply whenever an engine is fitted (for example, list(royston_parmar = list(rstpm2 = list(link =

"PO"))), list(cox_ph = list(survival = list(ties = "breslow"))), or list(rand_forest

= list(ranger = list(importance = "impurity")))). These arguments are distinct from tune_params, which define ranges of hyperparameters to explore during tuning. Default is an empty list.

metric The performance metric to optimize during training.

algorithm_engines

A named list specifying the engine to use for each algorithm.

n_cores An integer specifying the number of CPU cores to use for parallel processing.

Default is 1.

stratify Logical indicating whether to use stratified sampling when splitting the data.

Default is TRUE for classification and FALSE for regression.

impute_method Method for handling missing values. Options include:

"medianImpute" Impute missing values using median imputation (recipe-based).

"knnImpute" Impute missing values using k-nearest neighbors (recipe-based).

"bagImpute" Impute missing values using bagging (recipe-based).

"remove" Remove rows with missing values from the data (recipe-based).

"error" Do not perform imputation; if missing values are detected, stop execution with an error.

NULL Equivalent to "error". No imputation is performed, and the function will stop if missing values are present.

All imputation occurs inside the recipe so the same trained preprocessing can be applied at prediction time. Default is "error".

encode_categoricals

Logical indicating whether to encode categorical variables. Default is TRUE.

scaling_methods

Vector of scaling methods to apply. Default is c("center", "scale").

balance_method Method to handle class imbalance. One of "none", "upsample", or "downsample".

Applied to the training set for classification tasks. Default is "none".

resamples Optional rsample object providing custom resampling splits. If supplied, resampling_method,

folds, and repeats are ignored.

summaryFunction

A custom summary function for model evaluation. Default is NULL.

use_default_tuning

Logical. Tuning only runs when resamples are supplied and tuning_strategy is not "none". If TRUE and tune_params is NULL, default grids are used; if tune_params is provided, those values override/extend defaults. When FALSE and no custom parameters are given, models are fitted once with default settings. If no resamples are available or tuning_strategy = "none", tuning requests are ignored with a warning. Default is FALSE.

tuning_strategy

A string specifying the tuning strategy. Must be one of "grid", "bayes", or "none". Default is "grid". If custom tune_params are provided while tuning_strategy = "none", they will be ignored with a warning.

tuning_iterations

Number of iterations for Bayesian tuning. Ignored when tuning_strategy is not "bayes". Validation of this argument only occurs for the Bayesian strategy. Default is 10.

early_stopping Logical indicating whether to use early stopping in Bayesian tuning methods (if supported). Default is FALSE.

adaptive Logical indicating whether to use adaptive/racing methods for tuning. Default

is FALSE.

learning_curve Logical. If TRUE, generate learning curves (performance vs. training size).

seed An integer value specifying the random seed for reproducibility.

verbose Logical; if TRUE, prints progress messages during the training and evaluation

process.

eval_times Optional numeric vector of evaluation horizons for survival models. When

NULL, defaults to the median and 75th percentile of the observed follow-up times

(rounded to the dataset's time unit).

bootstrap_ci Logical indicating whether bootstrap confidence intervals should be computed

for performance metrics. Applies to all task types.

bootstrap_samples

Integer giving the number of bootstrap resamples to use when bootstrap_ci =

TRUE. Defaults to 500.

bootstrap_seed Optional seed passed to the bootstrap procedure used to estimate confidence

intervals.

at_risk_threshold

Numeric value between 0 and 1 used for survival metrics to determine the last follow-up time (t_{max}) . The maximum time is set to the largest observed time

where at least this proportion of subjects remain at risk.

audit_mode Logical; if TRUE, enables runtime auditing of custom preprocessing hooks and

records potentially unsafe behaviour (such as global environment access or file

I/O) while flagging the run as potentially unsafe.

Details

Fast Machine Learning Function

Trains and evaluates multiple classification or regression models. The function automatically detects the task based on the target variable type and can perform advanced hyperparameter tuning using various tuning strategies.

Value

An object of class fastml containing the best model, performance metrics, and other information.

Examples

```
# Example 1: Using the iris dataset for binary classification (excluding 'setosa')
data(iris)
iris <- iris[iris$Species != "setosa", ] # Binary classification
iris$Species <- factor(iris$Species)

# Define a custom tuning grid for the ranger engine
tune <- list(
  rand_forest = list(
  ranger = list(mtry = c(1, 3))
)</pre>
```

```
# Train models with custom tuning
model <- fastml(
  data = iris,
  label = "Species",
  algorithms = "rand_forest",
  tune_params = tune,
  use_default_tuning = TRUE
)
# View model summary
summary(model)</pre>
```

```
{\it fastml\_compute\_holdout\_results} \\ {\it Evaluate\ Models\ Function}
```

Description

Evaluates the trained models on the test data and computes performance metrics.

```
fastml_compute_holdout_results(
 models,
  train_data,
  test_data,
  label,
  start_col = NULL,
  time_col = NULL,
  status_col = NULL,
  task,
 metric = NULL,
  event_class,
  eval_times = NULL,
  bootstrap_ci = TRUE,
  bootstrap_samples = 500,
 bootstrap_seed = 1234,
  at_risk_threshold = 0.1,
  precomputed_predictions = NULL
)
```

Arguments

models A list of trained model objects. Preprocessed training data frame. train_data test_data Preprocessed test data frame. label Name of the target variable. For survival analysis this should be a character vector of length two giving the names of the time and status columns. start_col Optional string. The name of the column specifying the start time in counting process (e.g., '(start, stop, event)') survival data. Only used when task = "survival". time_col String. The name of the column specifying the event or censoring time (the "stop" time in counting process data). Only used when task = "survival". String. The name of the column specifying the event status (e.g., 0 for censored, status_col 1 for event). Only used when task = "survival". task Type of task: "classification", "regression", or "survival". The performance metric to optimize (e.g., "accuracy", "rmse"). metric event_class A single string. Either "first" or "second" to specify which level of truth to consider as the "event". eval_times Optional numeric vector of evaluation horizons for survival metrics. Passed through to process_model. bootstrap_ci Logical indicating whether bootstrap confidence intervals should be computed for the evaluation metrics.

bootstrap_samples

Number of bootstrap resamples used when bootstrap_ci = TRUE.

bootstrap_seed Optional integer seed for the bootstrap procedure used in metric estimation.

at_risk_threshold

Minimum proportion of subjects that must remain at risk to define t_{max} when computing survival metrics such as the integrated Brier score.

 ${\tt precomputed_predictions}$

Optional data frame or nested list of previously generated predictions (per algorithm/engine) to reuse instead of recomputing. This is mainly used when combining results across engines.

Value

A list with two elements:

performance A named list of performance metric tibbles for each model.

predictions A named list of data frames with columns including truth, predictions, and probabilities per model.

 $\label{lem:condition} fastml_guard_detect_full_analysis \\ \textit{Guarded Resampling Utilities}$

Description

Internal helpers that enforce the Guarded Resampling Principle by fitting preprocessing pipelines independently within each resampling split. These functions are not exported.

Usage

```
fastml_guard_detect_full_analysis(split, total_rows)
```

Arguments

split An 'rsample' split object representing a single resample. total_rows Integer; total number of rows in the original dataset.

fastml_normalize_survival_status

Internal helpers for survival-specific preprocessing

Description

These utilities standardize survival status indicators so that downstream metrics always receive the conventional coding (0 = censored, 1 = event). The functions are intentionally unexported and are used across multiple internal modules. Normalize survival status coding to 0/1 representation

Usage

```
fastml_normalize_survival_status(status_vec, reference_length = NULL)
```

Arguments

status_vec A vector containing survival status information. May be numeric, logical, factor, or character.

reference_length

Optional integer specifying the desired length of the returned vector. When 'status_vec' is 'NULL', this value controls the length of the output (defaulting to 0 when not supplied).

Details

This helper attempts to coerce a status vector into a numeric format where 0 represents censoring and 1 represents the event indicator. It accepts a variety of common encodings such as 1/2, logical values, factors, or character labels. When the supplied values deviate from the canonical coding, the function records that a recode was performed so callers can communicate this to the user (once).

Value

A list with two elements: 'status', the recoded numeric vector, and 'recoded', a logical flag indicating whether a non-standard encoding was detected.

flatten_and_rename_models

Flatten and Rename Models

Description

Flattens a nested list of models and renames the elements by combining the outer and inner list names.

Usage

flatten_and_rename_models(models)

Arguments

models

A nested list of models. The outer list should have names. If an inner element is a named list, the names will be combined with the outer name in the format "outer_name (inner_name)".

Details

The function iterates over each element of the outer list. For each element, if it is a list with names, the function concatenates the outer list name and the inner names using paste0 and setNames. If an element is not a list or does not have names, it is included in the result without modification.

Value

A flattened list with each element renamed according to its original outer and inner list names.

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Framingham Heart Study Data

Description

This dataset is derived from the Framingham Heart Study and contains various clinical and demographic variables used to predict coronary heart disease risk over a ten-year period.

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Format

```
male Integer indicator for male sex.
```

age Participant age in years.

education Education level.

currentSmoker Whether the participant currently smokes.

cigsPerDay Number of cigarettes smoked per day.

BPMeds Whether blood pressure medication is used.

prevalentStroke History of stroke at baseline.

prevalentHyp History of hypertension at baseline.

diabetes Diabetes diagnosis.

totChol Total cholesterol.

sysBP Systolic blood pressure.

diaBP Diastolic blood pressure.

BMI Body mass index.

heartRate Heart rate.

glucose Glucose level.

TenYearCHD Ten year risk of coronary heart disease.

get_best_model_idx

Get Best Model Indices by Metric and Group

Description

Identifies and returns the indices of rows in a data frame where the specified metric reaches the overall maximum within groups defined by one or more columns.

Usage

```
get_best_model_idx(df, metric, group_cols = c("Model", "Engine"))
```

Arguments

df A data frame containing model performance metrics and grouping columns.

metric A character string specifying the name of the metric column in df. The metric

values are converted to numeric for comparison.

group_cols A character vector of column names used for grouping. Defaults to c("Model",

"Engine").

Details

The function converts the metric values to numeric and creates a combined grouping factor using the specified group_cols. It then computes the maximum metric value within each group and determines the overall best metric value across the entire data frame. Finally, it returns the indices of rows belonging to groups that achieve this overall maximum.

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Value

A numeric vector of row indices in df corresponding to groups whose maximum metric equals the overall best metric value.

Description

Extracts and returns the best engine names from a named list of model workflows.

Usage

```
get_best_model_names(models)
```

Arguments

models

A named list where each element corresponds to an algorithm and contains a list of model workflows. Each workflow should be compatible with tune::extract_fit_parsnip.

Details

For each algorithm, the function extracts the engine names from the model workflows using tune::extract_fit_parsnip. It then chooses "randomForest" if it is available; otherwise, it selects the first non-NA engine. If no engine names can be extracted for an algorithm, NA_character_ is returned.

Value

A named character vector. The names of the vector correspond to the algorithm names, and the values represent the chosen best engine name for that algorithm.

```
get_best_workflows Get Best Workflows
```

Description

Extracts the best workflows from a nested list of model workflows based on the provided best model names.

```
get_best_workflows(models, best_model_name)
```

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Arguments

models A nested list of model workflows. Each element should correspond to an algo-

rithm and contain sublists keyed by engine names.

best_model_name

A named character vector where the names represent algorithm names and the

values represent the chosen best engine for each algorithm.

Details

The function iterates over each element in best_model_name and attempts to extract the corresponding workflow from models using the specified engine. If the workflow for an algorithmengine pair is not found, a warning is issued and NULL is returned for that entry.

Value

A named list of workflows corresponding to the best engine for each algorithm. Each list element is named in the format "algorithm (engine)".

get_default_engine

Get Default Engine

Description

Returns the default engine corresponding to the specified algorithm.

Usage

```
get_default_engine(algo, task = NULL)
```

Arguments

algo A character string specifying the name of the algorithm. The value should match

one of the supported algorithm names.

task Optional task type (e.g., "classification", "regression", or "survival").

Used to determine defaults that depend on the task.

Details

The function uses a switch statement to select the default engine based on the given algorithm. For survival random forests, the function defaults to "aorsf". If the provided algorithm does not have a defined default engine, the function terminates with an error.

Value

A character string containing the default engine name associated with the provided algorithm.

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<pre>get_default_params</pre>	Get Default Parameters for an Algorithm

Description

Returns a list of default tuning parameters for the specified algorithm based on the task type, number of predictors, and engine.

Usage

```
get_default_params(algo, task, num_predictors = NULL, engine = NULL)
```

Arguments

algo	A character string specifying the algorithm name. Supported values include: "rand_forest", "C5_rules", "xgboost", "lightgbm", "logistic_reg", "multinom_reg", "decision_tree", "svm_linear", "svm_rbf", "nearest_neighbor", "naive_Bayes", "mlp", "deep_learning", "discrim_linear", "discrim_quad", "bag_tree", "elastic_net", "bayes_glm", "pls", "linear_reg", "ridge_reg", "lasso_reg", and "penalized_cox".
task	A character string specifying the task type, typically "classification" or "regression".
num_predictors	An optional numeric value indicating the number of predictors. This value is used to compute default values for parameters such as mtry. Defaults to NULL.
engine	An optional character string specifying the engine to use. If not provided, a default engine is chosen where applicable.

Details

The function employs a switch statement to select and return a list of default parameters tailored for the given algorithm, task, and engine. The defaults vary by algorithm and, in some cases, by engine. For example:

- For "rand_forest", if engine is not provided, it defaults to "ranger". The parameters such as mtry, trees, and min_n are computed based on the task and the number of predictors.
- For "C5_rules", the defaults include trees, min_n, and sample_size.
- For "xgboost" and "lightgbm", default values are provided for parameters like tree depth, learning rate, and sample size.
- For "logistic_reg" and "multinom_reg", the function returns defaults for regularization parameters (penalty and mixture) that vary with the specified engine.
- For "decision_tree", the parameters (such as tree_depth, min_n, and cost_complexity) are set based on the engine (e.g., "rpart", "C5.0", "partykit", "spark").
- Other algorithms, including "svm_linear", "svm_rbf", "nearest_neighbor", "naive_Bayes", "mlp", "deep_learning", "elastic_net", "bayes_glm", "pls", "linear_reg", "ridge_reg", and "lasso_reg", have their respective default parameter lists.

Value

A list of default parameter settings for the specified algorithm. If the algorithm is not recognized, the function returns NULL.

Description

Returns a list of default tuning parameter ranges for a specified algorithm based on the provided training data, outcome label, and engine.

Usage

```
get_default_tune_params(algo, train_data, label, engine)
```

Arguments

algo	A character string specifying the algorithm name. Supported values include: "rand_forest", "C5_rules", "xgboost", "lightgbm", "logistic_reg", "multinom_reg", "decision_tree", "svm_linear", "svm_rbf", "nearest_neighbor", "naive_Bayes", "mlp", "deep_learning", "discrim_linear", "discrim_quad", "bag_tree", "elastic_net", "bayes_glm", "pls", "linear_reg", "ridge_reg", and "lasso_reg".
train_data	A data frame containing the training data.
label	A character string specifying the name of the outcome variable in train_data. This column is excluded when calculating the number of predictors.
engine	A character string specifying the engine to be used for the algorithm. Different engines may have different tuning parameter ranges.

Details

The function first determines the number of predictors by removing the outcome variable (specified by label) from train_data. It then uses a switch statement to select a list of default tuning parameter ranges tailored for the specified algorithm and engine. The tuning ranges have been adjusted for efficiency and may include parameters such as mtry, trees, min_n, and others depending on the algorithm.

Value

A list of tuning parameter ranges for the specified algorithm. If no tuning parameters are defined for the given algorithm, the function returns NULL.

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Get Engine Names from Model Workflows

Description

Extracts and returns a list of unique engine names from a list of model workflows.

Usage

```
get_engine_names(models)
```

Arguments

models

A list where each element is a list of model workflows. Each workflow is expected to contain a fitted model that can be processed with tune::extract_fit_parsnip.

Details

The function applies tune::extract_fit_parsnip to each model workflow to extract the fitted model object. It then retrieves the engine name from the model specification (spec\$engine). If the extraction fails, NA_character_ is returned for that workflow. Finally, the function removes any duplicate engine names using unique.

Value

A list of character vectors. Each vector contains the unique engine names extracted from the corresponding element of models.

```
get_model_engine_names
```

Get Model Engine Names

Description

Extracts and returns a named vector mapping algorithm names to engine names from a nested list of model workflows.

Usage

```
get_model_engine_names(models)
```

Arguments

models

A nested list of model workflows. Each inner list should contain model objects from which a fitted model can be extracted using tune::extract_fit_parsnip.

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Details

The function iterates over a nested list of model workflows and, for each workflow, attempts to extract the fitted model object using tune::extract_fit_parsnip. If successful, it retrieves the algorithm name from the first element of the class attribute of the model specification and the engine name from the specification. The results are combined into a named vector.

Value

A named character vector where the names correspond to algorithm names (e.g., "rand_forest", "logistic_reg") and the values correspond to the associated engine names (e.g., "ranger", "glm").

Description

Uses the 'iml' package to quantify the strength of feature interactions.

Usage

```
interaction_strength(object, ...)
```

Arguments

```
object A 'fastml' object.
... Additional arguments passed to 'iml::Interaction'.
```

Value

An 'iml::Interaction' object.

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(iris)
iris <- iris[iris$Species != "setosa", ]
iris$Species <- factor(iris$Species)
model <- fastml(data = iris, label = "Species")
interaction_strength(model)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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load_model

Load Model Function

Description

Loads a trained model object from a file.

Usage

```
load_model(filepath)
```

Arguments

filepath

A string specifying the file path to load the model from.

Value

An object of class fastml.

plot.fastml

Plot Methods for fastml Objects

Description

plot.fastml produces visual diagnostics for a trained fastml object.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'fastml'
plot(
    x,
    algorithm = "best",
    type = c("all", "bar", "roc", "calibration", "residual", "learning_curve"),
    ...
)
```

Arguments

A fastml object (output of fastml()).

algorithm Character vector specifying which algorithm(s) to include when generating cer-

tain plots (e.g., ROC curves). Defaults to "best".

type Character vector indicating which plot(s) to produce. Options are:

"bar" Bar plot of performance metrics across all models/engines.

"roc" ROC curve(s) for binary classification models.

"calibration" Calibration plot for the best model(s).

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Additional arguments (currently unused).

```
"residual" Residual diagnostics for the best model.

"learning_curve" Learning-curve plot if recorded during training.

"all" Produce all available plots.
```

Details

When type = "all", plot.fastml will produce a bar plot of metrics, ROC curves (classification), calibration plot, and residual diagnostics (regression). If you specify a subset of types, only those will be drawn.

Examples

```
## Create a binary classification dataset from iris
data(iris)
iris <- iris[iris$Species != "setosa",]</pre>
iris$Species <- factor(iris$Species)</pre>
## Fit fastml model on binary classification task
model <- fastml(data = iris, label = "Species", algorithms = c("rand_forest", "svm_rbf"))</pre>
## 1. Plot all available diagnostics
plot(model, type = "all")
## 2. Bar plot of performance metrics
plot(model, type = "bar")
## 3. ROC curves (only for classification models)
plot(model, type = "roc")
## 4. Calibration plot (requires 'probably' package)
plot(model, type = "calibration")
## 5. ROC curves for specific algorithm(s) only
plot(model, type = "roc", algorithm = "rand_forest")
## 6. Residual diagnostics (only available for regression tasks)
model <- fastml(data = mtcars, label = "mpg", algorithms = c("linear_reg", "xgboost"))</pre>
plot(model, type = "residual")
```

plot_ice

Plot ICE curves for a fastml model

Description

Generates Individual Conditional Expectation (ICE) plots for selected features using the 'pdp' package (ggplot2 engine), and returns both the underlying data and the plot object.

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Usage

```
plot_ice(object, features, ...)
```

Arguments

object A 'fastml' object.

features Character vector of feature names to plot.

... Additional arguments passed to 'pdp::partial'.

Value

A list with two elements: 'data' (the ICE data frame) and 'plot' (the ggplot object).

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(iris)
iris <- iris[iris$Species != "setosa", ]
iris$Species <- factor(iris$Species)
model <- fastml(data = iris, label = "Species")
plot_ice(model, features = "Sepal.Length")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

predict.fastml

Predict method for fastml objects

Description

Generates predictions from a trained 'fastml' object on new data. Supports both single-model and multi-model workflows, and handles classification and regression tasks with optional post-processing and verbosity.

```
## S3 method for class 'fastml'
predict(
  object,
  newdata,
  type = "auto",
  model_name = NULL,
  verbose = FALSE,
  postprocess_fn = NULL,
  eval_time = NULL,
  ...
)
```

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Arguments

object A fitted 'fastml' object created by the 'fastml()' function.

newdata A data frame or tibble containing new predictor data for which to generate pre-

dictions.

type Type of prediction to return. One of "auto" (default), "class", "prob", "nu-

meric", "survival", or "risk". - "auto": chooses "class" for classification, "numeric" for regression, and "survival" for survival. - "prob": returns class probabilities (only for classification). - "class": returns predicted class labels. - "numeric": returns predicted numeric values (for regression). - "survival": returns survival probabilities at the supplied 'eval_time' horizons (for survival tasks). - "risk": returns risk scores on the linear predictor scale (for survival

tasks).

model_name (Optional) Name of a specific model to use when 'object\$best_model' contains

multiple models.

verbose Logical; if 'TRUE', prints progress messages showing which models are used

during prediction.

postprocess_fn (Optional) A function to apply to the final predictions (e.g., inverse transforms,

thresholding).

eval_time Optional numeric vector of time points (on the original time scale) at which

to return survival probabilities when 'type = "survival"'. Required for survival

tasks when requesting survival curves.

. . . Additional arguments (currently unused).

Value

A vector of predictions, or a named list of predictions (if multiple models are used). If 'postprocess_fn' is supplied, its output will be returned instead.

predict_survival

Predict survival probabilities from a survival model

Description

Predict survival probabilities from a survival model

```
## S3 method for class 'fastml_native_survival'
predict_survival(fit, newdata, times, ...)
## S3 method for class 'workflow'
predict_survival(fit, newdata, times, ...)
## Default S3 method:
predict_survival(fit, newdata, times, ...)
```

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Arguments

fit A fitted survival model.

newdata A data frame of predictors for which to compute survival curves.

times Numeric vector of evaluation times.

Additional arguments passed to methods.

Value

A numeric matrix with one row per observation and one column per time.

process_model

Process and Evaluate a Model Workflow

Description

This function processes a fitted model or a tuning result, finalizes the model if tuning was used, makes predictions on the test set, and computes performance metrics depending on the task type (classification or regression). It supports binary and multiclass classification, and handles probabilistic outputs when supported by the modeling engine.

```
process_model(
 model_obj,
 model_id,
  task,
  test_data,
  label,
  event_class,
  start_col = NULL,
  time_col = NULL,
  status_col = NULL,
  engine,
  train_data,
 metric,
  eval_times_user = NULL,
  bootstrap_ci = TRUE,
  bootstrap_samples = 500,
 bootstrap_seed = 1234,
 at_risk_threshold = 0.1,
 metrics = NULL,
  precomputed_predictions = NULL
)
```

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Arguments

model_obj A fitted model or a tuning result ('tune_results' object).

model_id A character identifier for the model (used in warnings).

task Type of task, either "classification", "regression", or "survival".

test_data A data frame containing the test data.

label The name of the outcome variable (as a character string).

event_class For binary classification, specifies which class is considered the positive class:

"first" or "second".

start_col Optional string. The name of the column specifying the start time in count-

ing process (e.g., '(start, stop, event)') survival data. Only used when task =

"survival".

time_col String. The name of the column specifying the event or censoring time (the

"stop" time in counting process data). Only used when task = "survival".

status_col String. The name of the column specifying the event status (e.g., 0 for censored,

1 for event). Only used when task = "survival".

engine A character string indicating the model engine (e.g., "xgboost", "randomFor-

est"'). Used to determine if class probabilities are supported. If 'NULL', prob-

abilities are skipped.

train_data A data frame containing the training data, required to refit finalized workflows.

metric The name of the metric (e.g., "roc_auc", "accuracy", "rmse") used for se-

lecting the best tuning result.

eval_times_user

Optional numeric vector of time horizons at which to evaluate survival Brier scores. When 'NULL', sensible defaults based on the observed follow-up dis-

tribution are used.

bootstrap_ci Logical; if 'TRUE', bootstrap confidence intervals are estimated for survival

performance metrics.

bootstrap_samples

Integer giving the number of bootstrap resamples used when computing confi-

dence intervals.

bootstrap_seed Optional integer seed applied before bootstrap resampling to make interval esti-

mates reproducible.

at_risk_threshold

Numeric value between 0 and 1 defining the minimum proportion of subjects

required to remain at risk when determining the maximum follow-up time used

in survival metrics.

metrics Optional yardstick metric set (e.g., 'yardstick::metric_set(yardstick::rmse)') used

for computing regression performance.

precomputed_predictions

Optional data frame or nested list of previously generated predictions (per algorithm/engine) to reuse instead of re-predicting; primarily used when combining

results across engines.

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Details

- If the input 'model_obj' is a 'tune_results' object, the function finalizes the model using the best hyperparameters according to the specified 'metric', and refits the model on the full training data.

- For classification tasks, performance metrics include accuracy, kappa, sensitivity, specificity, precision, F1-score, and ROC AUC (if probabilities are available).
- For regression tasks, RMSE, R-squared, and MAE are returned.
- For models with missing prediction lengths, a helpful imputation error is thrown to guide data preprocessing.

Value

A list with two elements:

performance A tibble with computed performance metrics.

predictions A tibble with predicted values and corresponding truth values, and probabilities (if applicable).

sanitize Clean Column Names or Character Vectors by Removing Special Characters

Description

This function can operate on either a data frame or a character vector:

- Data frame: Detects columns whose names contain any character that is not a letter, number, or underscore, removes colons, replaces slashes with underscores, and spaces with underscores.
- Character vector: Applies the same cleaning rules to every element of the vector.

Usage

sanitize(x)

Arguments

x A data frame or character vector to be cleaned.

Value

- If x is a data frame: returns a data frame with cleaned column names.
- If x is a character vector: returns a character vector with cleaned elements.

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Save Model Function

Description

Saves the trained model object to a file.

Usage

```
save.fastml(model, filepath)
```

Arguments

model

An object of class fastml.

filepath

A string specifying the file path to save the model.

Value

No return value, called for its side effect of saving the model object to a file.

summary.fastml

Summary Function for fastml (Using yardstick for ROC Curves)

Description

Summarizes the results of machine learning models trained using the 'fastml' package. Depending on the task type (classification or regression), it provides customized output such as performance metrics, best hyperparameter settings, and confusion matrices. It is designed to be informative and readable, helping users quickly interpret model results.

```
## S3 method for class 'fastml'
summary(
  object,
  algorithm = "best",
  type = c("all", "metrics", "params", "conf_mat"),
  sort_metric = NULL,
  show_ci = FALSE,
  brier_times = NULL,
  ...
)
```

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Arguments

object An object of class fastml.

algorithm A vector of algorithm names to display summary. Default is "best".

type Character vector indicating which outputs to produce. Options are "all" (all

available outputs), "metrics" (performance metrics), "params" (best hyperpa-

rameters), and "conf_mat" (confusion matrix). Default is "all".

sort_metric The metric to sort by. Default uses optimized metric.

show_ci Logical indicating whether to display 95% confidence intervals for performance

metrics in survival models. Defaults to FALSE.

brier_times Optional numeric or character vector that selects which time-specific Brier scores

to display for survival models. When NULL (the default), time-specific Brier

scores are omitted from the summary.

... Additional arguments.

Details

For classification tasks, the summary includes metrics such as Accuracy, F1 Score, Kappa, Precision, ROC AUC, Sensitivity, and Specificity. A confusion matrix is also provided for the best model(s). For regression tasks, the summary reports RMSE, R-squared, and MAE.

Users can control the type of output with the 'type' argument: 'metrics' displays model performance metrics. 'params' shows the best hyperparameter settings. 'conf_mat' prints confusion matrices (only for classification). 'all' includes all of the above.

If multiple algorithms are trained, the summary highlights the best model based on the optimized metric. For survival tasks, Harrell's C-index, Uno's C-index, the integrated Brier score, and (when available) the RMST difference are shown by default. Specific Brier(t) horizons can be requested through the brier_times argument.

Value

Prints summary of fastml models.

surrogate_tree Fit a surrogate decision tree for a fastml model

Description

Builds an interpretable tree approximating the behaviour of the underlying model using the 'iml' package.

```
surrogate_tree(object, maxdepth = 3, ...)
```

Arguments

```
object A 'fastml' object.

maxdepth Maximum depth of the surrogate tree. Default 3.

... Additional arguments passed to 'iml::TreeSurrogate'.
```

Value

An 'iml::TreeSurrogate' object.

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(iris)
iris <- iris[iris$Species != "setosa", ]
iris$Species <- factor(iris$Species)
model <- fastml(data = iris, label = "Species")
surrogate_tree(model)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

train_models

Train Specified Machine Learning Algorithms on the Training Data

Description

Trains specified machine learning algorithms on the preprocessed training data.

```
train_models(
  train_data,
  label,
  task,
  algorithms,
  resampling_method,
  folds,
  repeats,
  group_cols = NULL,
  block_col = NULL,
 block_size = NULL,
  initial_window = NULL,
  assess_window = NULL,
  skip = 0,
  outer_folds = NULL,
  resamples = NULL,
  tune_params,
  engine_params = list(),
```

```
metric,
  summaryFunction = NULL,
  seed = 123,
  recipe,
  use_default_tuning = FALSE,
  tuning_strategy = "grid",
  tuning_iterations = 10,
  early_stopping = FALSE,
  adaptive = FALSE,
  algorithm_engines = NULL,
 event_class = "first",
  start_col = NULL,
  time_col = NULL,
  status_col = NULL,
  eval_times = NULL,
  at_risk_threshold = 0.1,
  audit_env = NULL
)
```

Arguments

train_data Preprocessed training data frame.

label Name of the target variable.

task Type of task: "classification", "regression", or "survival".

algorithms Vector of algorithm names to train.

resampling_method

Resampling method for cross-validation. Supported options include standard "cv", "repeatedcv", and "boot", as well as grouped resampling via "grouped_cv", blocked/rolling schemes via "blocked_cv" or "rolling_origin", nested resampling via "nested_cv", and the passthrough "none" option.

folds Number of folds for cross-validation.

repeats Number of times to repeat cross-validation (only applicable for methods like

"repeatedcv").

group_cols Optional character vector of grouping columns used with 'resampling_method

= "grouped_cv"'. For classification problems the outcome column is used to request grouped stratification where supported; if class imbalance prevents stratification, grouped folds are still created and a warning is emitted to document the

limitation.

block_col Optional name of the ordering column used with blocked or rolling resampling.

block_size Optional integer specifying the block size for 'resampling method = "blocked cv"'.

initial_window Optional integer specifying the initial window size for rolling resampling.

assess_window Optional integer specifying the assessment window size for rolling resampling.

skip Optional integer number of resamples to skip between rolling resamples.

outer_folds Optional integer specifying the number of outer folds for 'resampling_method

= "nested_cv"'.

resamples Optional rsample object. If provided, custom resampling splits will be used

instead of those created internally.

tune_params A named list of tuning ranges. For each algorithm, supply a list of engine-

specific parameter values, e.g. list(rand_forest = list(ranger = list(mtry

= c(1, 3))).

engine_params A named list of fixed engine-level arguments passed directly to the model fitting

call for each algorithm/engine combination. Use this to control options like ties = "breslow" for Cox models or importance = "impurity" for ranger. Unlike

tune_params, these values are not tuned over a grid.

metric The performance metric to optimize.

summaryFunction

A custom summary function for model evaluation. Default is NULL.

seed An integer value specifying the random seed for reproducibility.

recipe A recipe object for preprocessing.

use_default_tuning

Logical; if TRUE and tune_params is NULL, tuning is performed using default grids. Tuning also occurs when custom tune_params are supplied. When FALSE and no custom parameters are given, the model is fitted once with default set-

tings.

tuning_strategy

A string specifying the tuning strategy. Must be one of "grid", "bayes", or "none". Adaptive methods may be used with "grid". If "none" is selected, the workflow is fitted directly without tuning. If custom tune_params are supplied with tuning_strategy = "none", they will be ignored with a warning.

tuning_iterations

Number of iterations for Bayesian tuning. Ignored when tuning_strategy is not "bayes"; validation occurs only for the Bayesian strategy.

early_stopping Logical for early stopping in Bayesian tuning.

adaptive Logical indicating whether to use adaptive/racing methods.

algorithm_engines

A named list specifying the engine to use for each algorithm.

event_class Character string identifying the positive class when computing classification

metrics ("first" or "second").

start_col Optional name of the survival start time column passed through to downstream

evaluation helpers.

time_col Optional name of the survival stop time column.

status_col Optional name of the survival status/event column.

eval_times Optional numeric vector of time horizons for survival metrics.

at_risk_threshold

Numeric cutoff used to determine the evaluation window for survival metrics

within guarded resampling.

cessing hooks are executed. Typically supplied by fastml() and should be left

as NULL when calling train_models() directly.

Value

A list of trained model objects.

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