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Description

Code for criminal case linkage, crime series identification, crime series clustering, and suspect identification.

Details

The basic inputs will be a data.frame of crime incidents and an offenderTable data.frame that links offenders to (solved) crimes.

The crime incident data must have one column named `crimeID` that provides a unique crime identifier. Other recognized columns include: spatial information: x, y which can be in metric or long/lat; `DT.FROM`, `DT.TO` for the event times (these must be of class POSIXct). Other columns containing information about the crime, crime scene, or suspect can be included as well.

The offenderTable must have columns: `crimeID` (unique crime identifier) and `offenderID` (unique offender identifier).

See the vignettes for more details.
bayesPairs

Extracts the crimes with the largest probability of being linked.

Description

Extracts the crimes (from crimeClust_bayes) with the largest probability of being linked.

Usage

bayesPairs(p.equal, drop = 0)
bayesProb(prob, drop = 0)

Arguments

p.equal the posterior probability matrix produced by crimeClust_bayes
drop only return crimes with a posterior linkage probability that exceeds drop. Set to NA to return all results.
prob a column (or row) of the posterior probability matrix produced by crimeClust_bayes

Details

This is a helper function to easily extract the crimes with a high probability of being linked from the output of crimeClust_bayes. bayesPairs searches the full posterior probability matrix and bayesProb only searches a particular column (or row).

Value
data.frame of the indices of crimes with estimated posterior probabilities, ordered from largest to smallest

See Also
crimeClust_bayes

clusterPath

Follows path of one crime up a dendrogram

Description

The sequence of groups that a crime belongs to.

Usage

clusterPath(crimeID, tree)
compareCrimes

Arguments

  crimeID: the crime ID for a crime used in hierarchical clustering
  tree: an object produced from crimeClust_hier

Details

  Agglomerative hierarchical clustering form clusters by sequentially merging the most similar groups at each iteration. This function is designed to help trace the sequence of groups an individual crime is a member of. And it shows at what score (log Bayes factor) the merging occurred.

Value

  data.frame of the additional crimes and the log Bayes factor at each merge.

See Also

  crimeClust_hier, plot_hcc

Examples

  # See vignette: "Crime Series Identification and Clustering" for usage.

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CompareCrimes

Creates evidence variables by calculating 'distance' between crime pairs

Description

  Calculates spatial and temporal distance, difference in categorical, and absolute value of numerical crime variables

Usage

  compareCrimes(Pairs, crimedata, varlist, binary = TRUE, longlat = FALSE, show.pb = FALSE, ...)

Arguments

  Pairs: (n x 2) matrix of crimeIDs
  crimedata: data.frame of crime incident data. There must be a column named crimedata that refers to the crimeIDs given in Pairs. Other column names must correspond to what is given in varlist list.
  varlist: a list with elements named: crimeID, spatial, temporal, categorical, and numerical. Each element should be a vector of the column names of crimedata corresponding to that feature:
    • crimeID: crime ID for the crimedata that is matched to Pairs
compareCrimes

- spatial: X,Y coordinates (in long.lat or Cartesian) of crimes
- temporal: DT.FROM, DT.TO of crimes. If times are uncensored, then only DT.FROM needs to be provided.
- categorical: (optional) categorical crime variables
- numerical: (optional) numerical crime variables

binary (logical) match/no match or all combinations for categorical data
longlat (logical) are spatial coordinates in (long.lat)?
show.pb (logical) show the progress bar

... other arguments passed to hidden functions

Value
data.frame of various proximity measures between the two crimes

- If spatial data is provided: the euclidean distance (if longlat = FALSE) or Haversine great circle distance (distHaversine if longlat = TRUE) is returned (in kilometers).
- If temporal data is provided: the expected absolute time difference is returned:
  - temporal - overall difference (in days) [0,max]
  - tod - time of day difference (in hours) [0,12]
  - dow - fractional day of week difference (in days) [0,3.5]
- If categorical data is provided: if binary = TRUE then a 1 if the categories of each crime match and a 0 if they do not match. If binary = FALSE, then a factor of merged values (in form of f1:f2)
- If numerical data is provided: the absolute difference is returned.

References
http://arxiv.org/abs/1410.2285

Examples
data(crimes)
pairs = t(combn(crimes$crimeID[1:4],m=2))  # make some crime pairs
varlist = list(
spatial = c("X", "Y"),
temporal = c("DT.FROM", "DT.TO"),
categorical = c("MO1", "MO2", "MO3"))  # crime variables list

compareCrimes(pairs,crimes,varlist,binary=TRUE)
crimeClust_bayes  

Bayesian model-based partially-supervised clustering for crime series identification

Description

Bayesian model-based partially-supervised clustering for crime series identification

Usage

```
crimeClust_bayes(crimeID, spatial, t1, t2, Xcat, Xnorm, maxcriminals = 1000, 
                 iters = 10000, burn = 5000, plot = TRUE, update = 100, seed = NULL, 
                 use_space = TRUE, use_time = TRUE, use_cats = TRUE)
```

Arguments

- **crimeID**: n-vector of criminal IDs for the n crimes in the dataset. For unsolved crimes, the value should be `NA`.
- **spatial**: (n x 2) matrix of spatial locations, represent missing locations with `NA`.
- **t1**: earliest possible time for crime.
- **t2**: latest possible time for crime. Crime occurred between `t1` and `t2`.
- **Xcat**: (n x q) matrix of categorical crime features. Each column is a variable, such as mode of entry. The different factors (window, door, etc) should be coded as integers 1,2, ..., m.
- **Xnorm**: (n x p) matrix of continuous crime features.
- **maxcriminals**: maximum number of clusters in the model.
- **iters**: Number of MCMC samples to generate.
- **burn**: Number of MCMC samples to discard as burn-in.
- **plot**: (logical) Should plots be produced during run.
- **update**: Number of MCMC iterations between graphical displays.
- **seed**: seed for random number generation
- **use_space**: (logical) should the spatial locations be used in clustering?
- **use_time**: (logical) should the event times be used in clustering?
- **use_cats**: (logical) should the categorical crime features be used in clustering?

Value

(list) `p.equal` is the (n x n) matrix of probabilities that each pair of crimes are committed by the same criminal.

if `plot=TRUE`, then progress plots are produced.
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References


See Also

bayesPairs

Examples

# Toy dataset with 12 crimes and three criminals.

# Make IDs: Criminal 1 committed crimes 1-4, etc.
id <- c(1,1,1,1, 
2,2,2,2, 
3,3,3,3)

# spatial locations of the crimes:
s <- c(0.8,0.9,1.1,1.2, 
1.8,1.9,2.1,2.2, 
2.8,2.9,3.1,3.2)
s <- cbind(0,s)

# Categorical crime features, say mode of entry (1=door, 2=other) and
# type of residence (1=apartment, 2=other)
Mode <- c(1,1,1,1, #Different distribution by criminal 
1,2,1,2, 
2,2,2,2)
Type <- c(1,2,1,2, #Same distribution for all criminals 
1,2,1,2, 
1,2,1,2)
Xcat <- cbind(Mode,Type)

# Times of the crimes
t <- c(1,2,3,4, 
2,3,4,5, 
3,4,5,6)

# Now let's pretend we don't know the criminal for crimes 1, 4, 6, 8, and 12.
id <- c(NA,1,1,1,NA,2,NA,2,NA,2,NA,3,3,3,NA)

# Fit the model (nb: use much larger iters and burn on real problem)
fit <- crimeClust_bayes(crimeID=id, spatial=s, t1=t,t2=t, Xcat=Xcat, 
maxcriminals=12, iters=500,burn=100,update=100)

# Plot the posterior probability matrix that each pair of crimes was
# committed by the same criminal:
crimeClust_hier

Description
Run hierarchical clustering on a set of crimes using the log Bayes Factor as the similarity metric.

Usage
crimeClust_hier(crimedata, varlist, estimateBF, linkage = c("average", "single", "complete"), ...)

Arguments
- crimedata: data.frame of crime incidents. Must contain a column named crimeID.
- varlist: a list of the variable names (columns of crimedata) used to create evidence variables with compareCrimes.
- estimateBF: function to estimate the log bayes factor from evidence variables
- linkage: the type of linkage for hierarchical clustering
  - "average" uses the average bayes factor
  - "single" uses the largest bayes factor (most similar)
  - "complete" uses the smallest bayes factor (least similar)
- ... other arguments passed to compareCrimes

Details
This function first compares all crime pairs using compareCrimes, then uses estimateBF to estimate the log Bayes factor for every pair. Next, it passes this information into hclust to carry out the agglomerative hierarchical clustering. Because hclust requires a dissimilarity, this uses the negative log Bayes factor.

The input varlist is a list with elements named: crimeID, spatial, temporal, categorical, and numerical. Each element should be a vector of the column names of crimedata corresponding to that feature. See compareCrimes for more details.

Value
An object of class hclust (from hclust).
References


See Also

`clusterPath`, `plot_hcc`

Examples

data(crimes)
#- cluster the first 10 crime incidents
crimedata = crimes[1:10,]
varlist = list(spatial = c("X", "Y"), temporal = c("DT.FROM","DT.TO"),
categorical = c("MO1", "MO2", "MO3"))
estimateBF <- function(X) rnorm(1) # random estimation of log Bayes Factor
HC = crimeClust_hier(crimedata,varlist,estimateBF)
plot_hcc(HC,ylab="")

# See vignette: "Crime Series Identification and Clustering" for more examples.

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### crimes

_Fictitious dataset of crime events_

#### Description

Some realistic, but fictitious, crime incident data.

#### Usage

data(crimes)

#### Format

490 crime events

- **crimeID** The crime ID number
- **X, Y** Spatial coordinates
- **MO1** A categorical MO variable that takes values 1,...,31
- **MO2** A categorical MO variable that takes values a,...,h
- **MO3** A categorical MO variable that takes values A,...,O
- **DT.FROM** The earliest possible Date-time of the crime.
- **DT.TO** The latest possible Date-time of the crime

#### Source

Fictitious data, but hopefully realistic
getBF

Estimates the bayes factor for continuous and categorical predictors.

Description

This adds pseudo counts to each bin count to give df effective degrees of freedom. Must have all possible factor levels and must be of factor class.

Usage

getBF(x, y, weights, breaks = NULL, df = 5)

Arguments

- **x**: predictor vector (continuous or categorical/factors)
- **y**: binary vector indicating linkage (1 = linked, 0 = unlinked) or logical vector (TRUE = linked, FALSE = unlinked)
- **weights**: a vector of observation weights or the column name in data that corresponds to the weights.
- **breaks**: set of break point for continuous predictors or NULL for categorical or discrete
- **df**: the effective degrees of freedom for the categorical density estimates

Details

Continuous predictors are first binned, then estimates shrunk towards zero.

Value

data.frame containing the levels/categories with estimated Bayes factor

Note

Give linked and unlinked a different prior according to sample size

Examples

getCrimes

Generate a list of crimes for a specific offender

Description
Generate a list of crimes for a specific offender

Usage
getCrimes(offenderID, crimedata, offenderTable)

Arguments
- offenderID: an offender ID that is in offenderTable
- crimedata: data.frame of crime incident data. crimedata must be a data.frame with a column named: crimeID
- offenderTable: offender table that indicates the offender(s) responsible for solved crimes. offenderTable must have columns named: offenderID and crimeID.

Value
The subset of crimes in crimedata that are attributable to the offender named offenderID

See Also
getCrimeSeries

Examples
data(crimes)
data(offenders)
getCrimes("0:40", crimes, offenders)

getCrimeSeries
Generate a list of offenders and their associated crime series.

Description
Generate a list of offenders and their associated crime series.

Usage
getCrimeSeries(offenderID, offenderTable, restrict = NULL, show.pb = FALSE)
getCriminals

Arguments

offenderID  vector of offender IDs
offenderTable  offender table that indicates the offender(s) responsible for solved crimes. offenderTable must have columns named: offenderID and crimeID.
restrict  if vector of crimeID, then only include those crimeIDs in offenderTable. If NULL, then return all crimes for offender.
show.pb  (logical) should a progress bar be displayed

Value

List of offenders with their associated crime series.

See Also

makeSeriesData, getCriminals, getCrimes

Examples

data(offenders)

getCrimeSeries("0:40", offenders)  
getCrimeSeries(c("0:40","0:3"), offenders)  # list of crime series from multiple offenders

getCriminals  Lookup the offenders responsible for a set of solved crimes

Description

Generates the IDs of criminals responsible for a set of solved crimes using the information in offenderTable.

Usage

getCriminals(crimeID, offenderTable)

Arguments

crimeID  crimeID(s) of solved crimes.
offenderTable  offender table that indicates the offender(s) responsible for solved crimes. offenderTable must have columns named: offenderID and crimeID.

Value

Vector of offenderIDs responsible for crimes labeled crimeID.
getROC

See Also
getCrimeSeries

Examples
data(offenders)
getCriminals("C:1", offenders)
getCriminals("C:78", offenders) # shows co-offenders
g getCriminals(c("C:26","C:78","85","110"), offenders) # all offenders from a crime series

getROC Calculate ROC like metrics.

Description
Orders scores from largest to smallest and evaluates performance for each value. This assumes an analyst will order the predicted scores and start investigating the linkage claim in this order.

Usage
getROC(f, y)

Arguments
f predicted score for linkage
y truth; linked=1, unlinked=0

Value
data.frame of evaluation metrics:
• FPR - false positive rate - proportion of unlinked pairs that are incorrectly assessed as linked
• TPR - true positive rate; recall; hit rate - proportion of all linked pairs that are correctly assessed as linked
• PPV - positive predictive value; precision - proportion of all pairs that are predicted linked and truly are linked
• Total - the number of cases predicted to be linked
• TotalRate - the proportion of cases predicted to be linked
• threshold - the score threshold that produces the results

Examples
f = 1:10
y = rep(0:1,length=10)
getROC(f,y)
linkage

*Hierarchical Based Linkage*

**Description**

Groups the Bayes Factors by crime group and calculates the linkage score for each group.

**Usage**

```r
linkage(BF, group, method = c("average", "single", "complete"))
```

**Arguments**

- `BF`: vector of Bayes Factors
- `group`: crime group
- `method`: the type of linkage for comparing a crime to a set of crimes
  - “average” uses the average bayes factor
  - “single” uses the largest bayes factor (most similar)
  - “complete” uses the smallest bayes factor (least similar)

**Details**

If methods is a vector of linkages to use, then the all linkages are calculated and ordered according to the first element.

**Value**

a data.frame of the Bayes Factor scores ordered (highest to lowest).

**Examples**

```
# See vignette: "Crime Series Identification and Clustering" for usage.
```

**makeGroups**

*Generates crime groups from crime series data*

**Description**

This function generates crime groups that are useful for making unlinked pairs and for agglomerative linkage.

**Usage**

```r
makeGroups(X, method = 1)
```
Arguments

X  
crime series data (generated from `makeSeriesData`) with offender ID (offenderID), crime ID (crimeID), and the event datetime (TIME)

method  
Method=1 (default) forms groups by finding the maximal connected offender subgraph. Method=2 forms groups from the unique group of co-offenders. Method=3 forms from groups from offenderIDs

Details

Method=1 forms groups by finding the maximal connected offender subgraph. So if two offenders have ever co-offended, then all of their crimes are assigned to the same group. Method=2 forms groups from the unique group of co-offenders. So for two offenders who co-offended, all the co-offending crimes are in one group and any crimes committed individually or with other offenders are assigned to another group. Method=3 forms groups from the offender(s) responsible. So a crime that is committed by multiple people will be assigned to multiple groups.

Value

vector of crime group labels

Examples

data(crimedata)
data(offenderTable)
seriesData = makeSeriesData(crimedata=crimes,offenderTable=offenders)
groups = makeGroups(seriesData,method=1)
head(groups,10)

makePairs  
Generates indices of linked and unlinked crime pairs (with weights)

Description

These functions generate a set of crimeIDs for linked and unlinked crime pairs. Linked pairs are assigned a weight according to how many crimes are in the crime series. For unlinked pairs, \( m \) crimes are selected from each crime group and pairs them with crimes in other crime groups.

Usage

makePairs(X, thres = 365, m = 40, show.pb = FALSE, seed = NULL)

makeLinked(X, thres = 365)

makeUnlinked(X, m, thres = 365, show.pb = FALSE, seed = NULL)
Arguments

X crime series data (generated from makeSeriesData) with offender ID (offenderID), crime ID (crimeID), and the event datetime (TIME)

thres the threshold (in days) of allowable time distance

m the number of samples from each crime group (for unlinked pairs)

show.pb (logical) should a progress bar be displayed

seed seed for random number generation

Details

makePairs is a Convenience function that calls makeLinked and makeUnlinked and combines the results. It is unlikely that the latter two functions will need to be called directly.

For linked crime pairs, the weights are such that each crime series contributes a total weight of no greater than 1. Specifically, the weights are \( W_{ij} = \min\{1/N_m : V_i, V_j \in C_m\} \), where \( C_m \) is the crime series for offender \( m \) and \( N_m \) is the number of crime pairs in their series (assuming \( V_i \) and \( V_j \) are together in at least one crime series). Due to co-offending, the sum of weights will be smaller than the number of series with at least two crimes.

To form the unlinked crime pairs, crime groups are identified as the maximal connected offender subgraphs. Then \( m \) indices are drawn from each crime group (with replacement) and paired with crimes from other crime groups according to weights that ensure that large groups don’t give the most events.

Value

matrix of indices of crime pairs with weights. For makePairs, The last column type indicates if the crime pair is linked or unlinked.

Examples

```r
makeSeriesData(crimes)
makeSeriesData(offenders)
seriesData = makeSeriesData(crimedata=crimes,offenderTable=offenders)
allPairs = makePairs(seriesData,thres=365,m=40)
```

Description

Creates a data frame with index to crimedata and offender information. It is used to generate the linkage data.

Usage

```r
makeSeriesData(crimedata, offenderTable, time = c("midpoint", "earliest", "latest"))
```
Arguments

**crimedata**
- data.frame of crime incident data. crimedata must have columns named: crimeID, DT.FROM, and DT.TO. Note: if crime timing is known exactly (uncensored) than only DT.FROM is required.

**offenderTable**
- offender table that indicates the offender(s) responsible for solved crimes. offenderTable must have columns named: offenderID and crimeID.

**time**
- the event time to be returned: 'midpoint', 'earliest', or 'latest'

Details

The creates a crimeseries data object that is required for creating linkage data. It creates a crime series ID (CS) for every offender. Because of co-offending, a single crime (crimeID) can belong to multiple crime series.

Value

data frame representation of the crime series present in the crimedata. It includes the crime ID (crimeID), index of that crimeID in the original crimedata (Index), the crime series ID (CS) corresponding to each offenderID, and the event time (TIME).

See Also

getCrimeSeries

Examples

data(crimes)
data(offenders)

seriesData = makeSeriesData(crimedata=crimes,offenderTable=offenders)
head(seriesData)

ncrimes = table(seriesData$offenderID) # length of each crime series
table(ncrimes) # distribution of crime series length
mean(ncrimes>1) # proportion of offenders with multiple crimes

nco = table(seriesData$crimeID) # number of co-offenders per crime
table(nco) # distribution of number of co-offenders
mean(nco>1) # proportion of crimes with multiple co-offenders

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**naiveBayes**

*Naive bayes classifier using histograms and shrinkage*

Description

After binning, this adds pseudo counts to each bin count to give df approximate degrees of freedom. If partition=quantile, this does not assume a continuous uniform prior over support, but rather a discrete uniform over all (unlabeled) observations points.
Usage

naiveBayes(formula, data, weights, df = 20, nbins = 30, 
  partition = c("quantile", "width"))

naiveBayes.fit(X, y, weights, df = 20, nbins = 30, 
  partition = c("quantile", "width"))

Arguments

formula an object of class formula (or one that can be coerced to that class): a symbolic 
description of the model to be fitted. Only main effects (not interactions) are 
allowed.

data data.frame of predictors, can include continuous and categorical/factors along 
with a response vector (1 = linked, 0 = unlinked), and (optionally) observation 
weights (e.g., weight column). The column names of data need to include the 
terms specified in formula.

weights a vector of observation weights or the column name in 
data that corresponds to 
the weights.

df the degrees of freedom for each component density. if vector, each predictor can 
use a different df

nbins the number of bins for continuous predictors

partition for binning; indicates if breaks generated from quantiles or equal spacing

X data frame of categorical and/or numeric variables

y binary vector indicating linkage (1 = linked, 0 = unlinked) or logical vector 
(TRUE = linked, FALSE = unlinked)

Details

Fits a naive bayes model to continous and categorical/factor predictors. Continous predictors are 
first binned, then estimates shrunk towards zero.

Value

BF a bayes factor object; list of component bayes factors

See Also

predict.naiveBayes, plot.naiveBayes

Examples

offenders

Fictitious offender data

Description

Offender table relating crimes (crimeID) to offenders (offenderID)

Usage

data(offenders)

Format

1357 offenders committed 1377 crimes

offenderID  ID number of offender

crimeID  ID number of crime

Source

Fictitious data, but hopefully realistic

Examples

head(offenders)

plot.naiveBayes

Plots for Naive Bayes Model

Description

This function attempts to plot all of the component plots in one window by using the mfrow argument of par. If more control is desired then use plotBF to plot individual Bayes factors.

Usage

## S3 method for class 'naiveBayes'
plot(x, vars, log.scale = TRUE, show.legend = 1,
     cols = c(color("darkred", alpha = 0.75), color("darkblue", alpha = 0.75)),
     ...)
Arguments

- **x**: a `naiveBayes` object
- **vars**: name or index of naive Bayes components to plot. Will plot all if blank.
- **log.scale**: (logical)
- **show.legend**: either a value or values indicating which plot to show the legend, or TRUE/FALSE to show or not show the legend on all plots.
- **cols**: Colors for plotting. First element is for linkage, second unlinked
- **...**: arguments passed into `plotBF`

Details

Plots (component) bayes factors from `naiveBayes()`

Value

plots of Bayes factor from a naive Bayes model

See Also

`plotBF, naiveBayes, predict.naiveBayes`

Examples

```r

plotBF
```
**plot_hcc**

**Value**

plot of Bayes factor

**See Also**

`plot.naiveBayes`, `plotBKG`

**Examples**


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**plot_hcc**  
*Plot a hierarchical crime clustering object*

**Description**

Similar to `plot.dendrogram`.

**Usage**

`plot_hcc(tree, yticks = seq(-2, 8, by = 2), hang = -1, ...)`

**Arguments**

- `tree`: an object produced from `crimeClust_hier`
- `yticks`: the location of the tick marks for log Bayes factors
- `hang`: the hang argument of `as.dendrogram`
- `...`: other arguments passed to `plot.dendrogram`

**Details**

This function creates a dendrogram object and then plots it. It corrects the y-axis to give the proper values and adds the number of clusters if the tree were cut at a particular log Bayes factor.

**Value**

A dendrogram

**See Also**

`crimeClust_hier`

**Examples**

# See vignette: "Crime Series Identification and Clustering" for usage.
predict.naiveBayes

Generate prediction (sum of log bayes factors) from a naiveBayes object

Description

This does not include the log prior odds, so will be off by a constant.

Usage

```r
## S3 method for class 'naiveBayes'
predict(object, newdata, components = FALSE,
        vars = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

- `object`: a naive bayes object from `naiveBayes`
- `newdata`: data frame of new predictors, column names must match NB names
- `components`: (logical) return the log bayes factors from each component or return the sum of log bayes factors
- `vars`: the names or column numbers of specific predictors. If NULL, then all predictors will be used
- `...`: not currently used

Value

- BF if `components = FALSE`, the sum of log bayes factors, if `components = TRUE` the component bayes factors (useful for plotting).

It will give a warning, but still produce output if X is missing predictors. The output in this situation will be based on the predictors that are in X.

See Also

- `naiveBayes`, `plot.naiveBayes`

Examples

```r
```
predictBF

Generate prediction of a component bayes factor

Description

This does not include the log prior odds, so will be off by a constant

Usage

predictBF(BF, x, log = TRUE)

Arguments

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>BF</th>
<th>bayes factor data.frame from getBF</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>x</td>
<td>vector of new predictor values</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>log</td>
<td>(logical) if TRUE, return the log bayes factor estimate</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Value

estimated (log) bayes factor from a single predictor

Examples


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seriesID

Crime series identification

Description

Performs crime series identification by finding the crime series that are most closely related (as measured by Bayes Factor) to an unsolved crime.

Usage

seriesID(crime, solved, seriesData, varlist, estimateBF, linkage.method = c("average", "single", "complete"), group.method = 3, ...)

Arguments

crime crime incident; vector of crime variables
solved incident data for the solved crimes. Must have a column named crimeID.
seriesData table of crimeIDs and crimeseries (results from makeSeriesData)
varlist a list of the variable names (columns of solved and crime) used to create evidence variables with compareCrimes.
estimateBF function to estimate the bayes factor from evidence variables
linkage.method the type of linkage for comparing one crime to a set of crimes
  • “average” uses the average bayes factor
  • “single” uses the largest bayes factor (most similar)
  • “complete” uses the smallest bayes factor (least similar)
group.method the type of crime groups to form (see makeGroups for details)
... other arguments passed to compareCrimes

Value

A list with two objects. score is a data.frame of the similarity scores for each element in solved.
groups is the data.frame seriesData with an additional column indicating the crime group (using the method specified in group.method).

References

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