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`attention_width` *Parameters for the tabnet model*

Description

Parameters for the tabnet model

Usage

```
attention_width(range = c(8L, 64L), trans = NULL)

decision_width(range = c(8L, 64L), trans = NULL)

feature_reusage(range = c(1, 2), trans = NULL)

momentum(range = c(0.01, 0.4), trans = NULL)

mask_type(values = c("sparsemax", "entmax"))

num_independent(range = c(1L, 5L), trans = NULL)
```

```
num_shared(range = c(1L, 5L), trans = NULL)

num_steps(range = c(3L, 10L), trans = NULL)
```

Arguments

range	the default range for the parameter value
trans	whether to apply a transformation to the parameter
values	possible values for factor parameters
	These functions are used with tune grid functions to generate candidates.

Value

A dials parameter to be used when tuning TabNet models.

Examples

```
model <- tabnet(attention_width = tune(), feature_reusage = tune(),
  momentum = tune(), penalty = tune(), rate_step_size = tune()) %>%
  parsnip::set_mode("regression") %>%
  parsnip::set_engine("torch")
```

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autoplot.tabnet_explain

Plot tabnet_explain mask importance heatmap

Description

Plot tabnet_explain mask importance heatmap

Usage

```
autoplot.tabnet_explain(
  object,
  type = c("mask_agg", "steps"),
  quantile = 1,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

object	A tabnet_explain object as a result of tabnet_explain().
type	a character value. Either "mask_agg" the default, for a single heatmap of aggregated mask importance per predictor along the dataset, or "steps" for one heatmap at each mask step.
quantile	numerical value between 0 and 1. Provides quantile clipping of the mask values
...	not used.

Details

Plot the tabnet_explain object mask importance per variable along the predicted dataset. type="mask_agg" output a single heatmap of mask aggregated values, type="steps" provides a plot faceted along the n_steps mask present in the model. quantile=.995 may be used for strong outlier clipping, in order to better highlight low values. quantile=1, the default, do not clip any values.

Value

A ggplot object.

Examples

```
 ## Not run:
library(ggplot2)
data("attrition", package = "modeldata")

## Single-outcome binary classification of `Attrition` in `attrition` dataset
attrition_fit <- tabnet_fit(Attrition ~. , data=attrition, epoch=11)
attrition_explain <- tabnet_explain(attrition_fit, attrition)
# Plot the model aggregated mask interpretation heatmap
autoplot(attrition_explain)

## Multi-outcome regression on `Sale_Price` and `Pool_Area` in `ames` dataset,
data("ames", package = "modeldata")
x <- ames[,-which(names(ames) %in% c("Sale_Price", "Pool_Area"))]
y <- ames[, c("Sale_Price", "Pool_Area")]
ames_fit <- tabnet_fit(x, y, epochs = 1, verbose=TRUE)
ames_explain <- tabnet_explain(ames_fit, x)
autoplot(ames_explain, quantile = 0.99)

## End(Not run)
```

---

autoplot.tabnet_fit *Plot tabnet_fit model loss along epochs*

Description

Plot tabnet_fit model loss along epochs

Usage

```
autoplot.tabnet_fit(object, ...)

autoplot.tabnet_pretrain(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object	A tabnet_fit or tabnet_pretrain object as a result of tabnet_fit() or tabnet_pretrain().
...	not used.

Details

Plot the training loss along epochs, and validation loss along epochs if any. A dot is added on epochs where model snapshot is available, helping the choice of from_epoch value for later model training resume.

Value

A ggplot object.

Examples

```
 ## Not run:
library(ggplot2)
data("attrition", package = "modeldata")
attrition_fit <- tabnet_fit(Attrition ~. , data=attrition, valid_split=0.2, epoch=11)

# Plot the model loss over epochs
autoplot(attrition_fit)

## End(Not run)
```

---

cat_emb_dim *Non-tunable parameters for the tabnet model*

Description

Non-tunable parameters for the tabnet model

Usage

```
cat_emb_dim(range = NULL, trans = NULL)

checkpoint_epochs(range = NULL, trans = NULL)

drop_last(range = NULL, trans = NULL)

encoder_activation(range = NULL, trans = NULL)

lr_scheduler(range = NULL, trans = NULL)

mlp_activation(range = NULL, trans = NULL)
```

```
mlp_hidden_multiplier(range = NULL, trans = NULL)

num_independent_decoder(range = NULL, trans = NULL)

num_shared_decoder(range = NULL, trans = NULL)

optimizer(range = NULL, trans = NULL)

penalty(range = NULL, trans = NULL)

verbose(range = NULL, trans = NULL)

virtual_batch_size(range = NULL, trans = NULL)
```

Arguments

range	unused
trans	unused

`check_compliant_node` *Check that Node object names are compliant*

Description

Check that Node object names are compliant

Usage

```
check_compliant_node(node)
```

Arguments

node	the Node object, or a dataframe ready to be parsed by `data.tree::as.Node()`

Value

node if it is compliant, else an Error with the column names to fix

Examples

```
library(dplyr)
library(data.tree)
data(starwars)
starwars_tree <- starwars %>%
  mutate(pathString = paste("tree", species, homeworld, `name`, sep = "/"))

# pre as.Node() check
```

```
try(check_compliant_node(starwars_tree))

# post as.Node() check
check_compliant_node(as.Node(starwars_tree))
```

---

nn_prune_head.tabnet_fit

Prune top layer(s) of a tabnet network

Description

Prune head_size last layers of a tabnet network in order to use the pruned module as a sequential embedding module.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'tabnet_fit'
nn_prune_head(x, head_size)

## S3 method for class 'tabnet_pretrain'
nn_prune_head(x, head_size)
```

Arguments

x	nn_network to prune
head_size	number of nn_layers to prune, should be less than 2

Value

a tabnet network with the top nn_layer removed

Examples

```
data("ames", package = "modeldata")
x <- ames[,-which(names(ames) == "Sale_Price")]
y <- ames$Sale_Price
# pretrain a tabnet model on ames dataset
ames_pretrain <- tabnet_pretrain(x, y, epoch = 2, checkpoint_epochs = 1)
# prune classification head to get an embedding model
pruned_pretrain <- torch::nn_prune_head(ames_pretrain, 1)
```

node_to_df *Turn a Node object into predictor and outcome.*

Description

Turn a Node object into predictor and outcome.

Usage

```
node_to_df(x, drop_last_level = TRUE)
```

Arguments

x	Node object
drop_last_level	TRUE unused

Value

a named list of x and y, being respectively the predictor data-frame and the outcomes data-frame, as expected inputs for `hardhat::mold()` function.

Examples

```
library(dplyr)
library(data.tree)
data(starwars)
starwars_tree <- starwars %>%
  mutate(pathString = paste("tree", species, homeworld, `name`, sep = "/")) %>%
  as.Node()
node_to_df(starwars_tree)$x %>% head()
node_to_df(starwars_tree)$y %>% head()
```

tabnet *Parsnip compatible tabnet model*

Description

Parsnip compatible tabnet model

Usage

```
tabnet(
  mode = "unknown",
  cat_emb_dim = NULL,
  decision_width = NULL,
  attention_width = NULL,
  num_steps = NULL,
  mask_type = NULL,
  num_independent = NULL,
  num_shared = NULL,
  num_independent_decoder = NULL,
  num_shared_decoder = NULL,
  penalty = NULL,
  feature_reusage = NULL,
  momentum = NULL,
  epochs = NULL,
  batch_size = NULL,
  virtual_batch_size = NULL,
  learn_rate = NULL,
  optimizer = NULL,
  loss = NULL,
  clip_value = NULL,
  drop_last = NULL,
  lr_scheduler = NULL,
  rate_decay = NULL,
  rate_step_size = NULL,
  checkpoint_epochs = NULL,
  verbose = NULL,
  importance_sample_size = NULL,
  early_stopping_monitor = NULL,
  early_stopping_tolerance = NULL,
  early_stopping_patience = NULL,
  skip_importance = NULL,
  tabnet_model = NULL,
  from_epoch = NULL
)
```

Arguments

mode	A single character string for the type of model. Possible values for this model are "unknown", "regression", or "classification".
cat_emb_dim	Size of the embedding of categorical features. If int, all categorical features will have same embedding size, if list of int, every corresponding feature will have specific embedding size.
decision_width	(int) Width of the decision prediction layer. Bigger values gives more capacity to the model with the risk of overfitting. Values typically range from 8 to 64.
attention_width	(int) Width of the attention embedding for each mask. According to the paper

n_d = n_a is usually a good choice. (default=8)

`num_steps` (int) Number of steps in the architecture (usually between 3 and 10)

`mask_type` (character) Final layer of feature selector in the attentive_transformer block, either `"sparsemax"` or `"entmax"`.Defaults to `"sparsemax"`.

`num_independent`
Number of independent Gated Linear Units layers at each step of the encoder. Usual values range from 1 to 5.

`num_shared` Number of shared Gated Linear Units at each step of the encoder. Usual values at each step of the decoder. range from 1 to 5

`num_independent_decoder`
For pretraining, number of independent Gated Linear Units layers Usual values range from 1 to 5.

`num_shared_decoder`
For pretraining, number of shared Gated Linear Units at each step of the decoder. Usual values range from 1 to 5.

`penalty` This is the extra sparsity loss coefficient as proposed in the original paper. The bigger this coefficient is, the sparser your model will be in terms of feature selection. Depending on the difficulty of your problem, reducing this value could help (default 1e-3).

`feature_reusage`
(num) This is the coefficient for feature reusage in the masks. A value close to 1 will make mask selection least correlated between layers. Values range from 1 to 2.

`momentum` Momentum for batch normalization, typically ranges from 0.01 to 0.4 (default=0.02)

`epochs` (int) Number of training epochs.

`batch_size` (int) Number of examples per batch, large batch sizes are recommended. (default: 1024^2)

`virtual_batch_size`
(int) Size of the mini batches used for "Ghost Batch Normalization" (default=256^2)

`learn_rate` initial learning rate for the optimizer.

`optimizer` the optimization method. currently only `"adam"` is supported, you can also pass any torch optimizer function.

`loss` (character or function) Loss function for training (default to mse for regression and cross entropy for classification)

`clip_value` If a num is given this will clip the gradient at clip_value. Pass `NULL` to not clip.

`drop_last` (logical) Whether to drop last batch if not complete during training

`lr_scheduler` if `NULL`, no learning rate decay is used. If "step" decays the learning rate by `lr_decay` every `step_size` epochs. If "reduce_on_plateau" decays the learning rate by `lr_decay` when no improvement after `step_size` epochs. It can also be a torch::lr_scheduler function that only takes the optimizer as parameter. The `step` method is called once per epoch.

`rate_decay` multiplies the initial learning rate by `rate_decay` every `rate_step_size` epochs. Unused if `lr_scheduler` is a `torch::lr_scheduler` or `NULL`.

`rate_step_size` the learning rate scheduler step size. Unused if `lr_scheduler` is a `torch::lr_scheduler` or `NULL`.

`checkpoint_epochs`
checkpoint model weights and architecture every `checkpoint_epochs`. (default is 10). This may cause large memory usage. Use `0` to disable checkpoints.

`verbose` (logical) Whether to print progress and loss values during training.

`importance_sample_size`
sample of the dataset to compute importance metrics. If the dataset is larger than 1e5 obs we will use a sample of size 1e5 and display a warning.

`early_stopping_monitor`
Metric to monitor for early_stopping. One of "valid_loss", "train_loss" or "auto" (defaults to "auto").

`early_stopping_tolerance`
Minimum relative improvement to reset the patience counter. 0.01 for 1% tolerance (default 0)

`early_stopping_patience`
Number of epochs without improving until stopping training. (default=5)

`skip_importance`
if feature importance calculation should be skipped (default: `FALSE`)

`tabnet_model` A previously fitted `tabnet_model` object to continue the fitting on. if `NULL` (the default) a brand new model is initialized.

`from_epoch` When a `tabnet_model` is provided, restore the network weights from a specific epoch. Default is last available checkpoint for restored model, or last epoch for in-memory model.

Value

A TabNet `parsnip` instance. It can be used to fit tabnet models using `parsnip` machinery.

Threading

TabNet uses `torch` as its backend for computation and `torch` uses all available threads by default.

You can control the number of threads used by `torch` with:

```
torch::torch_set_num_threads(1)
torch::torch_set_num_interop_threads(1)
```

See Also

tabnet_fit

Examples

```
library(parsnip)
data("ames", package = "modeldata")
model <- tabnet() %>%
  set_mode("regression") %>%
```

```
  set_engine("torch")
model %>%
  fit(Sale_Price ~ ., data = ames)
```

`tabnet_config` *Configuration for TabNet models*

Description

Configuration for TabNet models

Usage

```
tabnet_config(
  batch_size = 1024^2,
  penalty = 0.001,
  clip_value = NULL,
  loss = "auto",
  epochs = 5,
  drop_last = FALSE,
  decision_width = NULL,
  attention_width = NULL,
  num_steps = 3,
  feature_reusage = 1.3,
  mask_type = "sparsemax",
  virtual_batch_size = 256^2,
  valid_split = 0,
  learn_rate = 0.02,
  optimizer = "adam",
  lr_scheduler = NULL,
  lr_decay = 0.1,
  step_size = 30,
  checkpoint_epochs = 10,
  cat_emb_dim = 1,
  num_independent = 2,
  num_shared = 2,
  num_independent_decoder = 1,
  num_shared_decoder = 1,
  momentum = 0.02,
  pretraining_ratio = 0.5,
  verbose = FALSE,
  device = "auto",
  importance_sample_size = NULL,
  early_stopping_monitor = "auto",
  early_stopping_tolerance = 0,
  early_stopping_patience = 0L,
```

```
  num_workers = 0L,
  skip_importance = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

batch_size	(int) Number of examples per batch, large batch sizes are recommended. (default: 1024^2)
penalty	This is the extra sparsity loss coefficient as proposed in the original paper. The bigger this coefficient is, the sparser your model will be in terms of feature selection. Depending on the difficulty of your problem, reducing this value could help (default 1e-3).
clip_value	If a num is given this will clip the gradient at clip_value. Pass NULL to not clip.
loss	(character or function) Loss function for training (default to mse for regression and cross entropy for classification)
epochs	(int) Number of training epochs.
drop_last	(logical) Whether to drop last batch if not complete during training
decision_width	(int) Width of the decision prediction layer. Bigger values gives more capacity to the model with the risk of overfitting. Values typically range from 8 to 64.
attention_width	(int) Width of the attention embedding for each mask. According to the paper n_d = n_a is usually a good choice. (default=8)
num_steps	(int) Number of steps in the architecture (usually between 3 and 10)
feature_reusage	(num) This is the coefficient for feature reusage in the masks. A value close to 1 will make mask selection least correlated between layers. Values range from 1 to 2.
mask_type	(character) Final layer of feature selector in the attentive_transformer block, either "sparsemax" or "entmax".Defaults to "sparsemax".
virtual_batch_size	(int) Size of the mini batches used for "Ghost Batch Normalization" (default=256^2)
valid_split	In [0, 1). The fraction of the dataset used for validation. (default = 0 means no split)
learn_rate	initial learning rate for the optimizer.
optimizer	the optimization method. currently only "adam" is supported, you can also pass any torch optimizer function.
lr_scheduler	if NULL, no learning rate decay is used. If "step" decays the learning rate by lr_decay every step_size epochs. If "reduce_on_plateau" decays the learning rate by lr_decay when no improvement after step_size epochs. It can also be a torch::lr_scheduler function that only takes the optimizer as parameter. The step method is called once per epoch.
lr_decay	multiplies the initial learning rate by lr_decay every step_size epochs. Unused if lr_scheduler is a torch::lr_scheduler or NULL.

`step_size` the learning rate scheduler step size. Unused if `lr_scheduler` is a `torch::lr_scheduler` or `NULL`.

`checkpoint_epochs`
checkpoint model weights and architecture every `checkpoint_epochs`. (default is 10). This may cause large memory usage. Use `0` to disable checkpoints.

`cat_emb_dim` Size of the embedding of categorical features. If int, all categorical features will have same embedding size, if list of int, every corresponding feature will have specific embedding size.

`num_independent`
Number of independent Gated Linear Units layers at each step of the encoder. Usual values range from 1 to 5.

`num_shared` Number of shared Gated Linear Units at each step of the encoder. Usual values at each step of the decoder. range from 1 to 5

`num_independent_decoder`
For pretraining, number of independent Gated Linear Units layers Usual values range from 1 to 5.

`num_shared_decoder`
For pretraining, number of shared Gated Linear Units at each step of the decoder. Usual values range from 1 to 5.

`momentum` Momentum for batch normalization, typically ranges from 0.01 to 0.4 (default=0.02)

`pretraining_ratio`
Ratio of features to mask for reconstruction during pretraining. Ranges from 0 to 1 (default=0.5)

`verbose` (logical) Whether to print progress and loss values during training.

`device` the device to use for training. "cpu" or "cuda". The default ("auto") uses to "cuda" if it's available, otherwise uses "cpu".

`importance_sample_size`
sample of the dataset to compute importance metrics. If the dataset is larger than 1e5 obs we will use a sample of size 1e5 and display a warning.

`early_stopping_monitor`
Metric to monitor for early_stopping. One of "valid_loss", "train_loss" or "auto" (defaults to "auto").

`early_stopping_tolerance`
Minimum relative improvement to reset the patience counter. 0.01 for 1% tolerance (default 0)

`early_stopping_patience`
Number of epochs without improving until stopping training. (default=5)

`num_workers` (int, optional): how many subprocesses to use for data loading. 0 means that the data will be loaded in the main process. (default: `0`)

`skip_importance`
if feature importance calculation should be skipped (default: `FALSE`)

Value

A named list with all hyperparameters of the TabNet implementation.

Examples

```
data("ames", package = "modeldata")

# change the model config for an faster ignite optimizer
config <- tabnet_config(optimizer = torch::optim_ignite_adamw)

## Single-outcome regression using formula specification
fit <- tabnet_fit(Sale_Price ~ ., data = ames, epochs = 1, config = config)
```

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tabnet_explain *Interpretation metrics from a TabNet model*

Description

Interpretation metrics from a TabNet model

Usage

```
tabnet_explain(object, new_data)

## Default S3 method:
tabnet_explain(object, new_data)

## S3 method for class 'tabnet_fit'
tabnet_explain(object, new_data)

## S3 method for class 'tabnet_pretrain'
tabnet_explain(object, new_data)

## S3 method for class 'model_fit'
tabnet_explain(object, new_data)
```

Arguments

`object`	a TabNet fit object
`new_data`	a data.frame to obtain interpretation metrics.

Value

Returns a list with

- `M_explain`: the aggregated feature importance masks as detailed in TabNet's paper.
- `masks` a list containing the masks for each step.

Examples

```
set.seed(2021)

n <- 256
x <- data.frame(
  x = rnorm(n),
  y = rnorm(n),
  z = rnorm(n)
)

y <- x$x

fit <- tabnet_fit(x, y, epochs = 10,
                  num_steps = 1,
                  batch_size = 512,
                  attention_width = 1,
                  num_shared = 1,
                  num_independent = 1)


 ex <- tabnet_explain(fit, x)
```

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tabnet_fit *Tabnet model*

Description

Fits the TabNet: Attentive Interpretable Tabular Learning model

Usage

```
tabnet_fit(x, ...)

## Default S3 method:
tabnet_fit(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'data.frame'
tabnet_fit(
  x,
  y,
  tabnet_model = NULL,
  config = tabnet_config(),
  ...,
  from_epoch = NULL,
  weights = NULL
```

```
)

## S3 method for class 'formula'
tabnet_fit(
  formula,
  data,
  tabnet_model = NULL,
  config = tabnet_config(),
  ...,
  from_epoch = NULL,
  weights = NULL
)

## S3 method for class 'recipe'
tabnet_fit(
  x,
  data,
  tabnet_model = NULL,
  config = tabnet_config(),
  ...,
  from_epoch = NULL,
  weights = NULL
)

## S3 method for class 'Node'
tabnet_fit(
  x,
  tabnet_model = NULL,
  config = tabnet_config(),
  ...,
  from_epoch = NULL
)
```

Arguments

x	Depending on the context: • A **data frame** of predictors. • A **matrix** of predictors. • A **recipe** specifying a set of preprocessing steps created from `recipes::recipe()`. • A **Node** where tree will be used as hierarchical outcome, and attributes will be used as predictors. The predictor data should be standardized (e.g. centered or scaled). The model treats categorical predictors internally thus, you don't need to make any treatment. The model treats missing values internally thus, you don't need to make any treatment.
...	Model hyperparameters. Any hyperparameters set here will update those set by the config argument. See `tabnet_config()` for a list of all possible hyperparameters.

y	When x is a **data frame** or **matrix**, y is the outcome specified as: • A **data frame** with 1 or many numeric column (regression) or 1 or many categorical columns (classification) . • A **matrix** with 1 column. • A **vector**, either numeric or categorical.
tabnet_model	A previously fitted tabnet_model object to continue the fitting on. if NULL (the default) a brand new model is initialized.
config	A set of hyperparameters created using the tabnet_config function. If no argument is supplied, this will use the default values in tabnet_config().
from_epoch	When a tabnet_model is provided, restore the network weights from a specific epoch. Default is last available checkpoint for restored model, or last epoch for in-memory model.
weights	Unused. Placeholder for hardhat::importance_weight() variables.
formula	A formula specifying the outcome terms on the left-hand side, and the predictor terms on the right-hand side.
data	When a **recipe** or **formula** is used, data is specified as: • A **data frame** containing both the predictors and the outcome.

Value

A TabNet model object. It can be used for serialization, predictions, or further fitting.

Fitting a pre-trained model

When providing a parent tabnet_model parameter, the model fitting resumes from that model weights at the following epoch:

- last fitted epoch for a model already in torch context
- Last model checkpoint epoch for a model loaded from file
- the epoch related to a checkpoint matching or preceding the from_epoch value if provided The model fitting metrics append on top of the parent metrics in the returned TabNet model.

Multi-outcome

TabNet allows multi-outcome prediction, which is usually named multi-label classification or multi-output regression when outcomes are numerical. Multi-outcome currently expect outcomes to be either all numeric or all categorical.

Threading

TabNet uses torch as its backend for computation and torch uses all available threads by default.

You can control the number of threads used by torch with:

```
torch::torch_set_num_threads(1)
torch::torch_set_num_interop_threads(1)
```

Examples

```
## Not run:
data("ames", package = "modeldata")
data("attrition", package = "modeldata")

## Single-outcome regression using formula specification
fit <- tabnet_fit(Sale_Price ~ ., data = ames, epochs = 4)

## Single-outcome classification using data-frame specification
attrition_x <- attrition[ids,-which(names(attrition) == "Attrition")]
fit <- tabnet_fit(attrition_x, attrition$Attrition, epochs = 4, verbose = TRUE)

## Multi-outcome regression on `Sale_Price` and `Pool_Area` in `ames` dataset using formula,
ames_fit <- tabnet_fit(Sale_Price + Pool_Area ~ ., data = ames, epochs = 4, valid_split = 0.2)

## Multi-label classification on `Attrition` and `JobSatisfaction` in
## `attrition` dataset using recipe
library(recipes)
rec <- recipe(Attrition + JobSatisfaction ~ ., data = attrition) %>%
  step_normalize(all_numeric(), -all_outcomes())

attrition_fit <- tabnet_fit(rec, data = attrition, epochs = 4, valid_split = 0.2)

## Hierarchical classification on  `acme`
data(acme, package = "data.tree")

acme_fit <- tabnet_fit(acme, epochs = 4, verbose = TRUE)

# Note: Model's number of epochs should be increased for publication-level results.

## End(Not run)
```

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tabnet_nn *TabNet Model Architecture*

Description

This is a nn_module representing the TabNet architecture from Attentive Interpretable Tabular Deep Learning.

Usage

```
tabnet_nn(
  input_dim,
  output_dim,
  n_d = 8,
  n_a = 8,
  n_steps = 3,
```

```
  gamma = 1.3,
  cat_idxs = c(),
  cat_dims = c(),
  cat_emb_dim = 1,
  n_independent = 2,
  n_shared = 2,
  epsilon = 1e-15,
  virtual_batch_size = 128,
  momentum = 0.02,
  mask_type = "sparsemax"
)
```

Arguments

input_dim	Initial number of features.
output_dim	Dimension of network output. Examples : one for regression, 2 for binary classification etc.. Vector of those dimensions in case of multi-output.
n_d	Dimension of the prediction layer (usually between 4 and 64).
n_a	Dimension of the attention layer (usually between 4 and 64).
n_steps	Number of successive steps in the network (usually between 3 and 10).
gamma	Scaling factor for attention updates (usually between 1 and 2).
cat_idxs	Index of each categorical column in the dataset.
cat_dims	Number of categories in each categorical column.
cat_emb_dim	Size of the embedding of categorical features if int, all categorical features will have same embedding size if list of int, every corresponding feature will have specific size.
n_independent	Number of independent GLU layer in each GLU block of the encoder.
n_shared	Number of shared GLU layer in each GLU block of the encoder.
epsilon	Avoid log(0), this should be kept very low.
virtual_batch_size	Batch size for Ghost Batch Normalization.
momentum	Numerical value between 0 and 1 which will be used for momentum in all batch norm.
mask_type	Either "sparsemax" or "entmax" : this is the masking function to use.

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tabnet_pretrain *Tabnet model*

Description

Pretrain the TabNet: Attentive Interpretable Tabular Learning model on the predictor data exclusively (unsupervised training).

Usage

```
tabnet_pretrain(x, ...)

## Default S3 method:
tabnet_pretrain(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'data.frame'
tabnet_pretrain(
  x,
  y,
  tabnet_model = NULL,
  config = tabnet_config(),
  ...,
  from_epoch = NULL
)

## S3 method for class 'formula'
tabnet_pretrain(
  formula,
  data,
  tabnet_model = NULL,
  config = tabnet_config(),
  ...,
  from_epoch = NULL
)

## S3 method for class 'recipe'
tabnet_pretrain(
  x,
  data,
  tabnet_model = NULL,
  config = tabnet_config(),
  ...,
  from_epoch = NULL
)

## S3 method for class 'Node'
tabnet_pretrain(
  x,
  tabnet_model = NULL,
  config = tabnet_config(),
  ...,
  from_epoch = NULL
)
```

Arguments

x	Depending on the context:

- A **data frame** of predictors.
- A **matrix** of predictors.
- A **recipe** specifying a set of preprocessing steps created from `recipes::recipe()`.
- A **Node** where tree leaves will be left out, and attributes will be used as predictors.

The predictor data should be standardized (e.g. centered or scaled). The model treats categorical predictors internally thus, you don't need to make any treatment. The model treats missing values internally thus, you don't need to make any treatment.

`...` Model hyperparameters. Any hyperparameters set here will update those set by the config argument. See `tabnet_config()` for a list of all possible hyperparameters.

`y` (optional) When `x` is a **data frame** or **matrix**, `y` is the outcome

`tabnet_model` A pretrained `tabnet_model` object to continue the fitting on. if `NULL` (the default) a brand new model is initialized.

`config` A set of hyperparameters created using the `tabnet_config` function. If no argument is supplied, this will use the default values in `tabnet_config()`.

`from_epoch` When a `tabnet_model` is provided, restore the network weights from a specific epoch. Default is last available checkpoint for restored model, or last epoch for in-memory model.

`formula` A formula specifying the outcome terms on the left-hand side, and the predictor terms on the right-hand side.

`data` When a **recipe** or **formula** is used, `data` is specified as:

- A **data frame** containing both the predictors and the outcome.

Value

A TabNet model object. It can be used for serialization, predictions, or further fitting.

outcome

Outcome value are accepted here only for consistent syntax with `tabnet_fit`, but by design the outcome, if present, is ignored during pre-training.

pre-training from a previous model

When providing a parent `tabnet_model` parameter, the model pretraining resumes from that model weights at the following epoch:

- last pretrained epoch for a model already in torch context
- Last model checkpoint epoch for a model loaded from file
- the epoch related to a checkpoint matching or preceding the `from_epoch` value if provided The model pretraining metrics append on top of the parent metrics in the returned TabNet model.

Threading

TabNet uses `torch` as its backend for computation and `torch` uses all available threads by default.

You can control the number of threads used by `torch` with:

```
torch::torch_set_num_threads(1)
torch::torch_set_num_interop_threads(1)
```

Examples

```
data("ames", package = "modeldata")
pretrained <- tabnet_pretrain(Sale_Price ~ ., data = ames, epochs = 1)
```

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