

Package ‘Rstg’

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Title STG : Feature Selection using STochastic Gates

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Description 'STG' is a method for feature selection in neural network. The procedure is based on probabilistic relaxation of the l0 norm of features, or the count of the number of selected features. The framework simultaneously learns either a nonlinear regression or classification function while selecting a small subset of features. Read more: Yamada et al. (2020) <<https://proceedings.mlr.press/v119/yamada20a.html>>.

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pystg_is_available *Check whether STG Python package is available and can be loaded*

Description

This is used to avoid running tests on CRAN

Usage

```
pystg_is_available()
```

Value

No return value, called for side effects

stg

STG: Feature Selection using Stochastic Gates

Description

STG is a method for feature selection in neural network estimation problems. The new procedure is based on probabilistic relaxation of the l0 norm of features, or the count of the number of selected features. STG simultaneously learns either a nonlinear regression or classification function while selecting a small subset of features, as described in Yamada, et al, ICML 2020.

Usage

```
stg(
  task_type,
  input_dim,
  output_dim,
  hidden_dims,
  activation = "relu",
  sigma = 0.5,
  lam = 0.1,
  optimizer = "Adam",
  learning_rate = 0.001,
  batch_size = 100L,
  freeze_onward = NULL,
  feature_selection = TRUE,
  weight_decay = 0.001,
  random_state = 123L,
  device = "cpu"
)
```

Arguments

task_type	string choose 'regression', 'classification', or 'cox'
input_dim	integer The number of features of your data (input dimension)
output_dim	integer The number of classes for 'classification'. Should be 1 for 'regression' and 'cox'
hidden_dims	vector of integers,optional,default:c(60, 20, 3) architecture vector of the neural network
activation	string the type of activation functions.

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sigma      float the noise level for the gaussian distribution
lam        float the regularization parameter
optimizer   string choose 'Adam' or 'SGD'
learning_rate float
batch_size   int
freeze_onward integer, default:NULL the network parameters will be frozen after 'freeze_onward' epoch. This is to train the gate parameters.
feature_selection
            bool
weight_decay  float
random_state  integer
device        string 'cpu' or 'cuda' (if you have GPU)
```

Value

a "stg" object is returned.

Examples

```
if (pystg_is_available()){
  n_size <- 1000L;
  p_size <- 20L;
  stg.model <- stg(task_type='regression', input_dim=p_size, output_dim=1L,
  hidden_dims = c(500,50, 10), activation='tanh',
  optimizer='SGD', learning_rate=0.1, batch_size=n_size,
  feature_selection=TRUE, sigma=0.5, lam=0.1, random_state=0.1)
}
```

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