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Index**29****apply_levels***Converts the column factor levels in df to those in df_reference***Description**

Each column in the result is a factor with the values of df and the levels of df_reference. This means that if there are levels in df_to_change that are not in df_reference, NAs will be introduced. The main use of this function is in classifier problems, where the training and the test set need to have equal factors. To work, all names(df_reference) need to be

Usage

```
apply_levels(df, df_reference)
```

Arguments

df	The df that is to be relevelled
df_reference	A reference df, which column levels will be applied to df if that column is a factor

Value

A data.frame where all factor's levels were changed. Through applying new levels, NAs could have been introduced

argument_match_test *Test function with non-matching arguments*

Description

Goes through all the parameters of fun which have a vector of default values. It then calls fun with a different value.

Usage

```
argument_match_test(fun, args)
```

Arguments

fun	Function to test
args	Complete list of required arguments to fun

capitalize_first *Capitalize the first letter of a word*

Description

Takes a string, and converts its first letter to upper case

Usage

```
capitalize_first(word)
```

Arguments

word	A string
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Value

String with first letter converted to capital

`classification_model` *Generic function for creating a classification model*

Description

Generic function for creating a classification model

Usage

```
classification_model(method, test, x, y, training_data, ...)

## Default S3 method:
classification_model(method, test, x, y, training_data, ...)

## S3 method for class 'rpart'
classification_model(method, test, x, y, training_data, ...)

## S3 method for class 'boosting'
classification_model(method, test, x, y, training_data, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>method</code>	The method for classification.
<code>test</code>	The test being conducted
<code>x</code>	The independent variables.
<code>y</code>	The dependent (class) variable. Should be a factor for most algorithms
<code>training_data</code>	The complete data set for training
<code>...</code>	Extra arguments to pass to the classification algorithm

Value

The produced model

Methods (by class)

- `default`: Default function for creating a classification model
`get` s the method and calls it using `x`, `y`, and `data`
- `rpart`: Rpart specific function for creating a classification model
RPart requires a formula for classification, which is not provided by the default function
- `boosting`: Create a classification model using Freund & Schapire's adaboost.M1

createtest*Create a classification or regression test case*

Description

Create a test, which can be run using any of the available runtest functions

Usage

```
createtest(data, problem = c("classification", "regression"), dependent,
           data_transform = identity, train_index, method, name, description = "",
           ...)
```

Arguments

<code>data</code>	A data frame
<code>problem</code>	Either classification or regression. This influences how the algorithms are trained and what method is used to determine performance
<code>dependent</code>	The dependent variable: the name of the column containing the prediction goal
<code>data_transform</code>	A quoted function name that transforms the data. It should maintain it in data frame form and maintain the dependent variable.
<code>train_index</code>	A vector of the rows to be used as training set. All other rows will form the holdout set
<code>method</code>	The regression or classification method
<code>name</code>	The name of the test. Printed in the test results
<code>description</code>	Optional. A more elaborate description of the test
<code>...</code>	Extra arguments used while running the test.

Value

An object of class 'classification' or 'regression', which holds the data, method, etc. for executing the test case.

Examples

```
data(iris)
# A classification test
test <- createtest(data = iris,
                     dependent = "Species",
                     problem = "classification",
                     method = "randomForest",
                     name = "An example classification test",
                     train_index = sample(150, 100)
)
# A regression test
```

```
test <- createtest(data = iris,
                    dependent = "Sepal.Width",
                    problem = "regression",
                    method = "randomForest",
                    name = "An example regression test",
                    train_index = sample(150, 100)
      )
```

`create_and_run_test` *Create test and run it*

Description

A convenience function calling `createtest` first, then runs the test using `runtest`.

Usage

```
create_and_run_test(train_index, data, dependent,
                    problem = c("classification", "regression"), method = c("randomForest",
                    "rpart"), name, description, data_transform = identity,
                    data_transform_name = "identity")
```

Arguments

<code>train_index</code>	A vector containing the rows from data to be used as the training
<code>data</code>	A data frame
<code>dependent</code>	The dependent variable: the name of the column containing the prediction goal
<code>problem</code>	Either classification or regression. This influences how the algorithms are trained and what method is used to determine performance
<code>method</code>	The regression or classification method
<code>name</code>	The name of the test. Printed in the test results
<code>description</code>	Optional. A more elaborate description of the test
<code>data_transform</code>	A quoted function name that transforms the data. It should maintain it in data frame form and maintain the dependent variable.
<code>data_transform_name</code>	The name of the data transformation function

Value

An object of class 'evaluation', containing the evaluated test

crtests

crtests: A package for creating and executing classification and regression tests

Description

The crtests package provides functions to prepare data, train models, test models, and evaluate outcomes. Its goal is to provide a generic and extendable API to machine learning and statistics functions

drop_na

Remove NAs according to a strategy

Description

Remove NAs according to a strategy

Usage

```
drop_na(strategy = c("dependent", "predictors", "all", "none"), df, dependent)
```

Arguments

strategy	Character string denoting how NAs should be dealt with. "dependent" means rows with NA in the dependent variable are dropped. "predictors" means rows with NA in an independent variable are dropped. "all" means rows with NA in any column are dropped. "none" means NAs are ignored.
df	Data frame to remove NAs from
dependent	Dependent variable of the data frame

Value

A data.frame where strategy has been applied to remove data

evaluate	<i>Evaluate the performance of a prediction.</i>
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Description

Wraps the problem-specific evaluation functions by calling [evaluate_problem](#). This wrapper is desirable, as it can perform the extraction of the holdout set (observations)

Usage

```
evaluate(prediction, data, test, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>prediction</code>	A vector of predictions for each row in the holdout set
<code>data</code>	The data list containing train and holdout data sets
<code>test</code>	The test object being evaluated
<code>...</code>	Extra arguments to evaluate

Value

An object of class 'evaluation', which contains a list of performance measures and a test object.

evaluate_problem	<i>Generic function for evaluation of test results</i>
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Description

Generic function for evaluation of test results

Usage

```
evaluate_problem(test, prediction, observations)

## S3 method for class 'classification'
evaluate_problem(test, prediction, observations)

## S3 method for class 'regression'
evaluate_problem(test, prediction, observations)
```

Arguments

<code>test</code>	The test that was run
<code>prediction</code>	A vector of predictions for each row in the holdout set
<code>observations</code>	The true observations for the dependent value in the holdout set

Value

An object of class 'evaluation', which contains a list of performance measures and a test object.

Methods (by class)

- **classification:** Evaluate a classification test's results. Uses [confusionMatrix](#) to determine accuracy and other performance measures
- **regression:** Evaluate a regression test's results

evaluation

Create an evaluation object

Description

Creates an evaluation object from the test and measures. Reads out the attributes of the test

Usage

```
evaluation(test, measures)
```

Arguments

test	Object of class 'regression' or 'classification'
measures	List of test measures and their values

Value

Object of class 'evaluation', with attributes: 'test_attributes', 'measures' and 'test'

extract_formula

Extract a formula from a test

Description

Extracts a formula of the form dependent ~ . from the test object

Usage

```
extract_formula(test)
```

Arguments

test	An object of class 'regression' or 'classification'
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factor_length *Determine the length of the factors in a data.frame*

Description

Goes through every column in the data.frame, and return the length of its levels

Usage

```
factor_length(df)
```

Arguments

df	A data.frame
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Value

A vector of length n, with n the number of factor columns in the data frame, containing the length of the levels of those factors

group_levels *Group infrequent levels in data, either a factor or a data.frame*

Description

Group infrequent levels in data, either a factor or a data.frame

Group infrequent factor levels in a data.frame

Group infrequent factor levels in a list of data.frames

Usage

```
group_levels(data, maximum_levels = 32)

## S3 method for class 'factor'
group_levels(data, maximum_levels = 32)

## S3 method for class 'data.frame'
group_levels(data, maximum_levels = 32)

## S3 method for class 'list'
group_levels(data, maximum_levels = 32)
```

Arguments

- `data` A data.frame or factor. In the first case, `group_levels` is applied to each factor in the data.frame.
- `maximum_levels` Numeric. The maximum number of levels allowed per factor

Value

A factor with at most `maximum_levels`, or a data.frame where each factor matches that requirement

Methods (by class)

- `factor`: Group infrequent levels in a factor. Takes a factor, and if that factor has more than '`maximum_levels`', it makes a table of level frequencies. The top (`maximum_levels`-1) are left unchanged, all less frequent levels are grouped into the level "other".
- `data.frame`: Takes a data.frame, and applies `group_levels.factor` to each column
- `list`: Takes a list of data.frames and applies `group_levels.data.frame` to each

`group_levels.default` *Group infrequent factor levels*

Description

The default `group_levels` does nothing. This is desirable behavior for any structure that is not a list, data.frame or factor: there is no meaningful way apply `group_levels` to this type of structure.

Usage

```
## Default S3 method:
group_levels(data, maximum_levels = 32)
```

Arguments

- `data` A data.frame or factor. In the first case, `group_levels` is applied to each factor in the data.frame.
- `maximum_levels` Numeric. The maximum number of levels allowed per factor

<code>is_complete_row</code>	<i>Determine if the rows in a data.frame have NAs</i>
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Description

Determine if the rows in a data.frame have NAs

Usage

```
is_complete_row(data)
```

Arguments

<code>data</code>	A data.frame
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Value

A vector of length `nrow(data)` containing whether that row has [NAs](#).

<code>make_predictions</code>	<i>Make predictions using a model Generic function for testing a model by making predictions</i>
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Description

Make predictions using a model

Generic function for testing a model by making predictions

Usage

```
make_predictions(model, data, test, ...)

## Default S3 method:
make_predictions(model, data, test, ...)

## S3 method for class 'rpart'
make_predictions(model, data, test, ...)

## S3 method for class 'boosting'
make_predictions(model, data, test, ...)

## S3 method for class 'gbm'
make_predictions(model, data, test, ...)
```

Arguments

model	A classification or regression model
data	The list of train and holdout data sets
test	The test being conducted
...	Extra arguments to make_predictions

Methods (by class)

- default: This function is a simple wrapper to `predict`, which it with the trained model and holdout data. Model classes that require extra arguments to predict can do so through a separate implementations or, less desirably, through the extra arguments.
- rpart: Calls `predict.rpart` with appropriate type: "class" for classification problems and "vector" for regression problems. Other problem types are not supported, providing a test with another class throws an error.
- boosting: Calls `predict.boosting` on the created model
- gbm: Calls `predict.gbm` on the created model with `n.trees = 100`

See Also

`predict.rpart`

`method_prepare`

Method-specific data preparation

Description

Generic function for method-specific data preparation, if any is necessary

Usage

```
method_prepare(method, test, ...)

## Default S3 method:
method_prepare(method, test, ...)

## S3 method for class 'randomForest'
method_prepare(method, test, ...)
```

Arguments

method	The regression or classification method that needs specific data preparation.
test	The test being executed, whose <code>data</code> attribute is a list of the train and holdout data sets, that has already been prepared by <code>prepare_data</code>
...	Extra arguments to pass on to class methods

Value

A prepared data.frame

`identity`(data)

Methods (by class)

- `default`: Default function for method-specific data preparation. There is no default method-specific preparation, returns `identity`.
- `randomForest`: Random Forest specific data preparation. Calls `group_levels` on data, then relevels the holdout set so it has no levels not found in the training set (using `prepare_data`)

`multisample`

Make multiple samples of data

Description

Make multiple samples of data

`cross_fold`: Make 'folds' samples of the data, so `all(rbind(folds)==row.names(data))=TRUE`

`random`: Makes `iterations` random samples of size `holdout * nrow(data)`

Usage

```
multisample.cross_fold(data, folds = 10, dependent,
    preserve_distribution = FALSE)
```

```
multisample.random(data, holdout = 0.2, iterations = 10, dependent,
    preserve_distribution = FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>data</code>	Data to sample
<code>folds</code>	Number of folds to create
<code>dependent</code>	The dependent variable in the data. Used only if <code>preserve_distribution=TRUE</code>
<code>preserve_distribution</code>	Logical, only applicable if the dependent variable is a factor
<code>holdout</code>	The fraction of data to be used as holdout set
<code>iterations</code>	Number of iterations to make

Value

A list of numeric vectors of length 'folds'

multitest*Create and run multiple instances of a test*

Description

Wrapper for creating multiple copies of a test and running them. This function supports cross validation and regular sampling. Cross validation splits the data into 'iterations' number of folds, and uses one fold as holdout, using every other fold as training set. This is repeated 'iteration's times, using every fold as holdout exactly once. Non-cross validation takes a random sample of size holdout * nrow(data) and uses it as holdout, the rest is used for training. This is repeated 'iteration's times. Test creation and execution is handled by [create_and_run_test](#)

Usage

```
multitest(data, dependent, problem = c("classification", "regression"),
          method, name, description = "", data_transform = identity,
          iterations = 10, holdout = 0.2, cross_validation = FALSE,
          preserve_distribution = FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>data</code>	A data frame
<code>dependent</code>	The dependent variable: the name of the column containing the prediction goal
<code>problem</code>	Either classification or regression. This influences how the algorithms are trained and what method is used to determine performance
<code>method</code>	The regression or classification method
<code>name</code>	The name of the test. Printed in the test results
<code>description</code>	Optional. A more elaborate description of the test
<code>data_transform</code>	A quoted function name that transforms the data. It should maintain it in data frame form and maintain the dependent variable.
<code>iterations</code>	The number of times the test is to be performed. If cross-validation is used, this is the number of folds
<code>holdout</code>	Sample testing only. The fraction of data to be used as holdout set
<code>cross_validation</code>	Logical. Should cross validation be used?
<code>preserve_distribution</code>	Logical, classification problems only. Should the distribution of factors in the dependent variable be as similar as possible between holdout and training sets?

Value

A list of class 'multitest_results_ ' + problem, containing the test results of each iteration

Examples

```

## Not run:
library(crttests)
library(randomForest)
library(rpart)
library(caret)
library(stringr)

# A classification multitest
multitest(data = iris,
          dependent = "Species",
          problem = "classification",
          method = "randomForest",
          name = "An example classification multitest",
          iterations = 10,
          cross_validation = TRUE,
          preserve_distribution = TRUE
      )

# A regression multitest
multitest(data = iris,
          dependent = "Sepal.Width",
          problem = "regression",
          method = "rpart",
          name = "An example regression multitest",
          iterations = 15,
          cross_validation = FALSE,
      )

## End(Not run)

```

multitest_evaluation *Create an evaluation of multiple tests*

Description

Creates an object of class 'multitest_evaluation'

Usage

```
multitest_evaluation(evaluations, iterations, cross_validation,
                     preserve_distribution, name, method, problem)
```

Arguments

evaluations	List of evaluation objects
iterations	Numeric. Number of times the test was conducted

<code>cross_validation</code>	Logical. Was cross-validation used as a sampling strategy?
<code>preserve_distribution</code>	Logical. Was preservation of class distribution between training and holdout set attempted?
<code>name</code>	Name of the test
<code>method</code>	Name of the method used in the test
<code>problem</code>	Name of the machine learning problem

Value

An object of type 'multitest_evaluation'. Attributes are:

<code>evaluations</code>	List of evaluations
<code>iterations</code>	Number of times the test was conducted
<code>cross_validation</code>	Was cross-validation used as a sampling strategy?
<code>preserve_distribution</code>	Was preservation of class distribution between training and holdout set attempted?
<code>name</code>	Name of the method used in the test
<code>problem</code>	Name of the machine learning problem

`na_count`

Count the number of NAs in an object

Description

Count the number of NAs in an object

Usage

```
na_count(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'data.frame'
na_count(x, columns = c(), ...)

## Default S3 method:
na_count(x, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	An object, either a vector or a data.frame
<code>...</code>	Extra arguments to na_count
<code>columns</code>	Vector of column names

Methods (by class)

- `data.frame`: If columns are specified, returns the maximum of the count of NAs for those columns. Otherwise, it returns the number of rows that have a NA in any column.
- `default`: Calls `na.omit` on `x`, and returns the length of the result. This is only meaningful for one-dimensional objects (vectors).

`prepare`*Prepare the data for the specified test.***Description**

This allows for different implementations for regression or classification

Usage

```
prepare(test, ...)
## Default S3 method:
prepare(test, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>test</code>	The test for which data is prepared
<code>...</code>	Extra arguments to prepare

Value

`data` A list containing prepared train (`data$train`) and holdout (`data$holdout`) data frames. Extra method specific preparation is executed through a call to `method_prepare`

Methods (by class)

- `default`: The default method relevels the holdout set, so the holdout and train set are completely independent, and to prevent problems with certain algorithms that can't deal with different factor levels across train and holdout set

prepare_data*Prepare data for training or testing.*

Description

This function removes all missing values, including those introduced after (optional) releveling

Usage

```
prepare_data(df, df_reference, dependent, relevel = TRUE,  
            drop.nas = c("dependent", "predictors", "all", "none"))
```

Arguments

<code>df</code>	The data frame that is to be prepared
<code>df_reference</code>	An optional reference data frame, whose factor levels are to be applied to <code>df</code>
<code>dependent</code>	The dependent variable of the data
<code>relevel</code>	Logical. Should the <code>df</code> be relevelled with <code>df_reference</code> 's factor levels?
<code>drop.nas</code>	Character vector denoting of which columns the NAs should be removed. See drop_na for the available strategies

Value

A data frame stripped of missing values

print.evaluation*Print an 'evaluation' object*

Description

Pretty prints an object of class 'evaluation'

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'evaluation'  
print(x, digits = max(3, getOption("digits") - 4), ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	Object to print
<code>digits</code>	Numeric. Number of digits to print. Defaults to <code>max(3, getOption("digits")-4)</code>
<code>...</code>	Further arguments to <code>print.evaluation</code>

Details

Prints the object to look like a table

Examples

```
data(iris)
# A classification test
test <- createtest(data = iris,
                     dependent = "Species",
                     problem = "classification",
                     method = "randomForest",
                     name = "An example classification test",
                     train_index = sample(150, 100)
)
## Not run:
# Run the test. The result is an object of class "evaluation"
evaluation <- runtest(test)
print(evaluation)

## End(Not run)
```

print.multitest_evaluation
Print a multitest_evaluation

Description

Print a multitest_evaluation

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'multitest_evaluation'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

- x an object used to select a method.
- ... further arguments passed to or from other methods.

```
print.multitest_evaluation.summary  
Print a multitest_evaluation.summary object
```

Description

Print a multitest_evaluation.summary object

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'multitest_evaluation.summary'  
print(x, digits = max(3,  
getOption("digits") - 4), ...)
```

Arguments

x	Object to print
digits	Numeric. Number of digits to print. Defaults to max(3, getOption("digits")-4)
...	Further arguments to print.multitest_evaluation.summary

Examples

```
## Not run:  
library(crtests)  
library(randomForest)  
library(rpart)  
library(caret)  
library(stringr)  
  
# A classification multitest. The result is an object of class multitest_evaluation  
multitest_evaluation <- multitest(data = iris,  
                                    dependent = "Species",  
                                    problem = "classification",  
                                    method = "randomForest",  
                                    name = "An example classification multitest",  
                                    iterations = 10,  
                                    cross_validation = TRUE,  
                                    preserve_distribution = TRUE  
)  
print(summary(multitest_evaluation))  
  
## End(Not run)
```

<code>random_string</code>	<i>Generate a random string</i>
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Description

Generates a random string of length `length`

Usage

```
random_string(length)
```

Arguments

<code>length</code>	Length of string to generate
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Value

If `length > 0`: A random sequence of characters of length `length`, otherwise an empty string

<code>regression_model</code>	<i>Fit a regression model Generic function for fitting a regression model</i>
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Description

Fit a regression model

Generic function for fitting a regression model

Usage

```
regression_model(method, formula, training_data, ...)

## Default S3 method:
regression_model(method, formula, training_data, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>method</code>	The regression method to use
<code>formula</code>	An object of class 'formula', used to fit a model to the data
<code>training_data</code>	Train data used to fit the model
<code>...</code>	Further arguments

Value

`model` The fitted model

Methods (by class)

- **default:** Default function for fitting a regression model
This [gets](#) the method and calls it using formula and data

remove_names	<i>Set any names of x to ""</i>
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Description

Set any names of x to ""
Set row and column names to "" for pretty printing

Usage

```
remove_names(x)

## S3 method for class 'matrix'
remove_names(x)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	An object that has a 'names' property, typically a matrix, list or data.frame
<code>matrix</code>	Matrix to 'remove' colnames and rownames from

Value

Matrix where colnames and rownames consist of only ""

Methods (by class)

- **matrix:** Remove names from a matrix

replace_names	<i>Replace strings in the names of an object</i>
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Description

Replaces strings matching the pattern in the names of the object by the replacement. If applicable, both row and column names could be replaced. This function is a simple wrapper to [str_replace_all](#)
Default method that replaces names(object)
Replaces row.names in the object, then dispatches to the default
Replace row.names and col.names in the object

Usage

```
replace_names(object, pattern, replacement, ...)

## Default S3 method:
replace_names(object, pattern = "\\\.",  

              replacement = " ", ...)

## S3 method for class 'data.frame'  

replace_names(object, pattern = "\\\.",  

              replacement = " ", replace_rownames = TRUE, replace_colnames = TRUE,  

              ...)

## S3 method for class 'matrix'  

replace_names(object, pattern = "\\\.", replacement = " ",  

              replace_rownames = TRUE, replace_colnames = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

object	Object of which the names are to be changed
pattern	Pattern to look for, as defined by a POSIX regular expression
replacement	Replacement string
...	extra arguments to <code>replace_names</code>
<code>replace_rownames</code>	Logical. Should row names be replaced?
<code>replace_colnames</code>	Logical. Should column names be replaced?

Methods (by class)

- `default`: Replace names of an object
- `data.frame`: Replace names of a data.frame
- `matrix`: Replace names in a matrix

See Also

[str_replace_all](#)

`runttest`

Run a classification or regression test

Description

Run a classification or regression test

Usage

```
runttest(test, ...)

## Default S3 method:
runttest(test, ...)
```

Arguments

test	An object of class 'classification' or 'regression'
...	Extra arguments to runtest

Methods (by class)

- **default:** The default test run subsequently calls `prepare`, `train_model`, `make_predictions`, `evaluate`

Examples

```
data(iris)
# A classification test
test <- createtest(data = iris,
                    dependent = "Species",
                    problem = "classification",
                    method = "randomForest",
                    name = "An example classification test",
                    train_index = sample(150, 100)
)
## Not run:
# Run the test
runttest(test)

## End(Not run)
```

Description

Produces a summary of an evaluation, consisting of the test attributes and the performance measures

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'evaluation'
summary(object, include_test_attributes = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

- `object` Evaluation object to make summary of
- `include_test_attributes` Logical. Should all attributes of the test be included in the output?
- `...` Extra arguments to `summary.evaluation`

Examples

```
data(iris)
# A classification test
test <- createtest(data = iris,
                    dependent = "Species",
                    problem = "classification",
                    method = "randomForest",
                    name = "An example classification test",
                    train_index = sample(150, 100)
)
## Not run:
# Run the test. The result is an object of class "evaluation"
evaluation <- runtest(test)
summary(results)

## End(Not run)
```

summary.multitest_evaluation
Make a summary of multiple test evaluations

Description

Summary implementation for the results of a multitest

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'multitest_evaluation'
summary(object, ...)
```

Arguments

- `object` an object for which a summary is desired.
- `...` additional arguments affecting the summary produced.

Value

Object of class 'summary.multitest_evaluation'. Attributes are a list of `evaluation` objects,

Examples

```
## Not run:  
library(crtests)  
library(randomForest)  
library(rpart)  
library(caret)  
library(stringr)  
  
# A classification multitest. The result is an object of class multitest_evaluation  
multitest_evaluation <- multitest(data = iris,  
                                    dependent = "Species",  
                                    problem = "classification",  
                                    method = "randomForest",  
                                    name = "An example classification multitest",  
                                    iterations = 10,  
                                    cross_validation = TRUE,  
                                    preserve_distribution = TRUE  
)  
summary(multitest_evaluation)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

train_model

Train a classification or regression model

Description

Generic function for training a model.

Usage

```
train_model(test, data, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'classification'  
train_model(test, data, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'regression'  
train_model(test, data, ...)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|------|---|
| test | The test object. This is passed so the method can be extracted. |
| data | An object of class "regression" or "classification" with at least x, y, train and holdout |
| ... | Extra arguments to pass to the classification or regression method |

Methods (by class)

- **classification**: Train a model for classification using a classifier algorithm. This function wraps the actual classifier
- **regression**: Train (fit) a regression model. This function wraps a regression algorithm.

util*Utility functions*

Description

Utility functions

Utility for testing how a function deals with missing required arguments. It calls the function `length(args)` times, each time omitting one argument

Usage

```
missing_argument_test(fun, args, outcomes)
```

Arguments

<code>fun</code>	Function to test
<code>args</code>	Complete list of required arguments to <code>fun</code>
<code>outcomes</code>	List of length <code>args</code> with expected outcomes for each test. Names should match those of <code>args</code> . Values should be either "FAIL", if the test is expected to throw an error, or anything else if it is expected to pass.

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