

# Package ‘LKT’

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**Title** Logistic Knowledge Tracing

**Version** 1.0

**Description** Computes Logistic Knowledge Tracing (‘LKT’) which is a general method for tracking human learning in an educational software system. Please see Pavlik, Eglington, and Harrel-Williams (2021) <[arXiv:2005.00869](https://arxiv.org/abs/2005.00869)>. ‘LKT’ is a method to compute features of student data that are used as predictors of subsequent performance. ‘LKT’ allows great flexibility in the choice of predictive components and features computed for these predictive components. The system is built on top of ‘LiblineaR’, which enables extremely fast solutions compared to base `glm()` in R.

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computefeatures	<i>computefeatures</i>
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### Description

Compute feature describing prior practice effect.

### Usage

```
computefeatures(data, feat, par1, par2, index, index2, par3, par4, par5, fcomp)
```

### Arguments

data	copy of main data frame.
feat	is the feature to be computed.
par1	nonlinear parameters used for nonlinear features.
par2	nonlinear parameters used for nonlinear features.
index	a student by component levels index
index2	a component levels index
par3	nonlinear parameters used for nonlinear features.
par4	nonlinear parameters used for nonlinear features.
par5	nonlinear parameters used for nonlinear features.
fcomp	the component name.

### Value

a vector suitable for regression input.

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```
computeSpacingPredictors
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```

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**Description**

Compute repetition spacing time based features from input data CF..Time. and/or CF..reltime. which will be automatically computed from Duration..sec. if not present themselves.

**Usage**

```
computeSpacingPredictors(data, KCs)
```

**Arguments**

data is a dataset with Anon.Student.Id and CF..ansbin.  
 KCs are the components for which spaced features will be specified in LKT

**Value**

data which is the same frame with the added spacing relevant columns.

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```
countOutcome      countOutcome
```

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**Description**

Compute the prior sum of the response appearing in the outcome column for the index

**Usage**

```
countOutcome(data, index, response)
```

**Arguments**

data the dataset to compute an outcome vector for  
 index the subsets to count over  
 response the actually response value being counted

**Value**

the vector of the lagged cumulative sum.

LKT

*LKT***Description**

Compute a logistic regression model of learning for input data.

**Usage**

```
LKT(
  data,
  components,
  features,
  fixedpars = NA,
  seedpars = NA,
  covariates = NA,
  dualfit = FALSE,
  interc = FALSE,
  cv = FALSE,
  elastic = FALSE,
  verbose = TRUE,
  epsilon = 1e-04,
  cost = 512,
  type = 0,
  maketimes = FALSE,
  bias = 0
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	A dataset with Anon.Student.Id and CF.ansbin.
<code>components</code>	A vector of factors that can be used to compute each features for each subject.
<code>features</code>	a vector methods to use to compute a feature for the component.
<code>fixedpars</code>	a vector of parameters for all features+components.
<code>seedpars</code>	a vector of parameters for all features+components to seed non-linear parameter search.
<code>covariates</code>	A list of components that interacts with component by feature in the main specification.
<code>dualfit</code>	TRUE or FALSE, fit a simple latency using logit.
<code>interc</code>	TRUE or FALSE, include a global intercept.
<code>cv</code>	TRUE or FALSE, if TRUE runs N-fold cv. Requires premade column named 'fold' with integers denoting the N folds
<code>elastic</code>	glmnet, cv.glmnet, cva.glmnet or FALSE.
<code>verbose</code>	provides more output in some cases.

epsilon	passed to LiblineaR
cost	passed to LiblineaR
type	passed to LiblineaR
maketimes	Boolean indicating whether to create time based features (or may be precomputed)
bias	passed to LiblineaR

### Value

list of values "model", "coefs", "r2", "prediction", "nullmodel", "latencymodel", "optimizedpars", "subjectrmse", "newdata", and "loglike"

### Examples

```
temp <- samplelkt
temp$CF..ansbin.<-ifelse(temp$Outcome=="CORRECT",1,ifelse(temp$Outcome=="INCORRECT",0,-1))
temp <- data.table::setDT(temp)
temp <- computeSpacingPredictors(temp, "KC..Default.")
temp <- temp[temp$CF..ansbin==0 | temp$CF..ansbin==1,]
temp$KC..Default.<-substr(temp$KC..Default.,1,10)
modelob <- LKT(
  data = temp, interc=TRUE,
  components = c("Anon.Student.Id", "KC..Default.", "KC..Default."),
  features = c("logitdec", "logitdec", "lineafm"),
  fixedpars = c(.9, .85)
)
print(modelob$coefs)
print(modelob$loglik)

modelob <- LKT(
  data = temp, interc=TRUE,
  components = c("Anon.Student.Id", "KC..Default.", "KC..Default."),
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  data = temp, interc=TRUE,
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)
print(modelob$coefs)
print(modelob$loglik)

# this example illustrates how mean fit is worse for CV
# compared to the first example above. In this case,
# this is mainly do to the small dataset allowing overgeneralization
# despite the model only having 4 coefficients
```

```

temp <- samplelkt
unq <- sample(unique(temp$Anon.Student.Id))
sfold <- rep(1:5,length.out=length(unq))
temp$fold <- rep(0,length(temp[,1]))
for(i in 1:5){temp$fold[which(temp$Anon.Student.Id %in% unq[which(sfold==i)])]=i}
modelob <- LKT(
  data = temp, interc=TRUE,
  components = c("Anon.Student.Id", "KC..Default.", "KC..Default."),
  features = c("logitdec", "logitdec", "lineafm"),
  fixedpars = c(.9, .85),cv=TRUE
)
print(modelob$cv_res)
print(mean(modelob$cv_res$rmse))
print(mean(modelob$cv_res$mcfad))

# this example illustrates the limitation of CV when data does not contain
# sufficient examples of each predictor
#modelob <- LKT(
# data = temp, interc=TRUE,
# components = c("Anon.Student.Id", "KC..Default.", "KC..Default."),
# features = c("logitdec", "logitdec$", "lineafm$"),
# fixedpars = c(.9, .85),cv=TRUE
#)
#print(modelob$cv_res)

```

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samplelkt

*Trial sequences for practice participants.*

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## Description

A dataset containing a small sample of participants in a memory experiment.

## Usage

```
samplelkt
```

## Format

A data frame with 2074 rows and many variables:

**Anon.Student.Id** unique identifier for each student

**Duration..sec.** unique identifier for each student

**KC..Default.** unique identifier for each student

**Outcome** unique identifier for each student ...

## Source

<http://datashop.memphis.edu/>

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`smallSet`

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**Description**

`smallSet`

**Usage**

`smallSet(data, nSub)`

**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	Dataframe of student data
<code>nSub</code>	Number of students

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