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Description The main purpose of the package is to categorize a numeric variable into bins mapped to a binary target variable for its ulterior usage in scoring modeling. This functionality reduces dramatically the time consuming process of finding the optimal cut points for a given numeric variable, quickly calculates the Information Value, either for one variable at the time or all at once in one line of code; and also outputs 'SQL' codes, tables, and plots used throughout the development stage. The package also allows the user to understand the data via exploratory data analysis in one step, establish customized cut points for numeric characteristics, and run the analysis for categorical variables.

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chileancredit	<i>Chilean Credit Data</i>
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Description

A simulated dataset based on six months of information collected by a Chilean Bank whose objective was to develop a credit scoring model to determine the probability of default within the next 12 months. The target variable is FlagGB, which represents the binary status of default (0) and not default(1).

Format

Data frame with 7,702 rows and 19 columns.

Details

- CustomerId. Customer Identifier.
- TOB. Time on books in months since first account was open.
- IncomeLevel. Income level from 0 (Low) to 5 (High).
- Bal. Outstanding balance.
- MaxDqBin. Max. delinquency bin. 0:No Dq., 1:1-29 ... 6:150-179.
- MtgBal. Mortgage outstanding balance at the Credit Bureau.
- NonBankTradesDq. Number of non-bank delinquent trades.
- FlagGB. 1: Good, 0: Bad.
- FlagSample. Training and testing sample indicator (1:75%,0:25%).

Description

Optimal Binning categorizes a numeric characteristic into bins for ulterior usage in scoring modeling. This process, also known as *supervised discretization*, utilizes **Recursive Partitioning** to categorize the numeric characteristic.

The specific algorithm is Conditional Inference Trees which initially excludes missing values (NA) to compute the cutpoints, adding them back later in the process for the calculation of the *Information Value*.

Usage

```
smbinning(df, y, x, p = 0.05)
```

Arguments

df	A data frame.
y	Binary response variable (0,1). Integer (int) is required. Name of y must not have a dot. Name "default" is not allowed.
x	Continuous characteristic. At least 10 different values. Value Inf is not allowed. Name of x must not have a dot.
p	Percentage of records per bin. Default 5% (0.05). This parameter only accepts values greater than 0.00 (0%) and lower than 0.50 (50%).

Value

The command `smbinning` generates an object containing the necessary info and utilities for binning. The user should save the output result so it can be used with `smbinning.plot`, `smbinning.sql`, and `smbinning.gen`.

Examples

```
# Package loading and data exploration
library(smbinning) # Load package and its data
data(chileancredit) # Load smbinning sample dataset (Chilean Credit)
str(chileancredit) # Quick description of the data
table(chileancredit$FlagGB) # Tabulate target variable

# Training and testing samples (Just some basic formality for Modeling)
chileancredit.train=subset(chileancredit,FlagSample==1)
chileancredit.test=subset(chileancredit,FlagSample==0)

# Package application
result=smbinning(df=chileancredit.train,y="FlagGB",x="TOB",p=0.05) # Run and save result
result$ivtable # Tabulation and Information Value
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result$iv # Information value
result$bands # Bins or bands
result$ctree # Decision tree from partykit

```

smbinning.custom	<i>Customized Binning</i>
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Description

It gives the user the ability to create customized cutpoints. In Scoring Modeling, the analysis of a characteristic usually begins with intervals with the same length to understand its distribution, and then intervals with the same proportion of cases to explore bins with a reasonable sample size.

Usage

```
smbinning.custom(df, y, x, cuts)
```

Arguments

df	A data frame.
y	Binary response variable (0,1). Integer (int) is required. Name of y must not have a dot. Name "default" is not allowed.
x	Continuous characteristic. At least 10 different values. Value Inf is not allowed. Name of x must not have a dot.
cuts	Vector with the cutpoints selected by the user. It does not have a default so user must define it.

Value

The command `smbinning.custom` generates an object containing the necessary info and utilities for binning. The user should save the output result so it can be used with `smbinning.plot`, `smbinning.sql`, and `smbinning.gen`.

Examples

```

# Package loading and data exploration
library(smbinning) # Load package and its data
data(chileancredit) # Load smbinning sample dataset (Chilean Credit)
str(chileancredit) # Quick description of the data
table(chileancredit$FlagGB) # Tabulate target variable

# Training and testing samples (Just some basic formality for Modeling)
chileancredit.train=subset(chileancredit,FlagSample==1)
chileancredit.test=subset(chileancredit,FlagSample==0)

# Remove exclusions from chileancredit dataset
TOB.train=
  subset(chileancredit,(FlagSample==1 & (FlagGB==1 | FlagGB==0)), select=TOB)

```

```

TOB.test=
  subset(chileancredit,(FlagSample==0 & (FlagGB==1 | FlagGB==0)), select=TOB)

# Custom cutpoints using percentiles (20% each)
TOB.Pct20=quantile(TOB.train, probs=seq(0,1,0.2), na.rm=TRUE)
TOB.Pct20.Breaks=as.vector(quantile(TOB.train, probs=seq(0,1,0.2), na.rm=TRUE))
Cuts.TOBI.Pct20=TOB.Pct20.Breaks[2:(length(TOB.Pct20.Breaks)-1)]

# Package application and results
result=
  smbinning.custom(df=chileancredit.train,
                  y="FlagGB",x="TOB",cuts=Cuts.TOBI.Pct20) # Run and save
result$ivtable # Tabulation and Information Value

```

smbinning.eda

Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

Description

It shows basic statistics for each numeric, integer, and factor characteristic in a data frame.

Usage

```
smbinning.eda(df, rounding = 3, pbar = 1)
```

Arguments

df	A data frame.
rounding	Optional parameter to define the decimal points shown in the output table. Default is 3.
pbar	Optional parameter that turns on or off a progress bar. Default value is 1 (On).

Value

The command `smbinning.eda` generates two data frames that list each characteristic with basic statistics such as extreme values and quartiles; and also percentages of missing values and outliers, among others.

Examples

```

# Package loading and data exploration
library(smbinning) # Load package and its data
data(chileancredit) # Load smbinning sample dataset (Chilean Credit)

# Training and testing samples (Just some basic formality for Modeling)
chileancredit.train=subset(chileancredit,FlagSample==1)
chileancredit.test=subset(chileancredit,FlagSample==0)

# EDA application

```

```
smbinning.eda(chileancredit.train,rounding=3)$eda # Table with basic statistics.
smbinning.eda(chileancredit.train,rounding=3)$edapct # Table with basic percentages.
```

smbinning.factor *Binning on Factor Variables*

Description

It generates the output table for the uniques values of a given factor variable.

Usage

```
smbinning.factor(df, y, x, maxcat = 10)
```

Arguments

df	A data frame.
y	Binary response variable (0,1). Integer (int) is required. Name of y must not have a dot.
x	A factor variable with at least 2 different values. Value Inf is not allowed.
maxcat	Specifies the maximum number of categories. Default value is 10. Name of x must not have a dot.

Value

The command `smbinning.factor` generates an object containing the necessary info and utilities for binning. The user should save the output result so it can be used with `smbinning.plot`, `smbinning.sql`, and `smbinning.gen.factor`.

Examples

```
# Package loading and data exploration
library(smbinning) # Load package and its data
data(chileancredit) # Load smbinning sample dataset (Chilean Credit)
str(chileancredit) # Quick description of the data
table(chileancredit$FlagGB) # Tabulate target variable

# Training and testing samples (Just some basic formality for Modeling)
chileancredit.train=subset(chileancredit,FlagSample==1)
chileancredit.test=subset(chileancredit,FlagSample==0)

# Package application and results
result.train=smbinning.factor(df=chileancredit.train,
                              y="FlagGB",x="IncomeLevel")
result.train$ivtable
result.test=smbinning.factor(df=chileancredit.test,
                              y="FlagGB",x="IncomeLevel")
result.test$ivtable
```

```
# Plots
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
smbinning.plot(result.train,option="dist",sub="Income Level (Tranining Sample)")
smbinning.plot(result.train,option="badrate",sub="Income Level (Tranining Sample)")
smbinning.plot(result.test,option="dist",sub="Income Level (Test Sample)")
smbinning.plot(result.test,option="badrate",sub="Income Level (Test Sample)")
```

smbinning.factor.gen *Utility to generate a new characteristic from a factor variable*

Description

It generates a data frame with a new predictive characteristic from a factor variable after the binning process.

Usage

```
smbinning.factor.gen(df, ivout, chrname = "NewChar")
```

Arguments

df	Dataset to be updated with the new characteristic.
ivout	An object generated after smbinning.factor.
chrname	Name of the new characteristic.

Value

A data frame with the binned version of the characteristic analyzed with smbinning.factor.

Examples

```
# Package loading and data exploration
library(smbinning) # Load package and its data
data(chileancredit) # Load smbinning sample dataset (Chilean Credit)
chileancredit.train=subset(chileancredit,FlagSample==1)
chileancredit.test=subset(chileancredit,FlagSample==0)
result=
smbinning.factor(df=chileancredit.train,y="FlagGB",x="IncomeLevel")
result$ivtable

# Generate new binned characteristic into a existing data frame
chileancredit=
  smbinning.factor.gen(chileancredit,result,"gInc") # Update population
```

smbinning.gen

Utility to generate a new characteristic from a numeric variable

Description

It generates a data frame with a new predictive characteristic after the binning process.

Usage

```
smbinning.gen(df, ivout, chrname = "NewChar")
```

Arguments

df	Dataset to be updated with the new characteristic.
ivout	An object generated after smbinning.
chrname	Name of the new characteristic.

Value

A data frame with the binned version of the characteristic analyzed with smbinning.

Examples

```
# Package loading and data exploration
library(smbinning) # Load package and its data
data(chileancredit) # Load smbinning sample dataset (Chilean Credit)
chileancredit.train=subset(chileancredit,FlagSample==1)
chileancredit.test=subset(chileancredit,FlagSample==0)
result=smbinning(df=chileancredit.train,y="FlagGB",x="TOB",p=0.05) # Run and save result

# Generate new binned characteristic into a existing data frame
chileancredit.train=
smbinning.gen(chileancredit.train,result,"gTOB") # Update training sample
chileancredit=
  smbinning.gen(chileancredit,result,"gTOB") # Update population
sqldf("select gTOB,count(*) as Recs
      from chileancredit group by gTOB") # Check new field counts
```

smbinning.plot

Plots after binning

Description

It generates plots for distribution, bad rate, and weight of evidence after running smbinning and saving its output.

Usage

```
smbinning.plot(ivout, option = "dist", sub = "")
```

Arguments

ivout	An object generated by binning.
option	Distribution ("dist"), Good Rate ("goodrate"), Bad Rate ("badrate"), and Weight of Evidence ("WoE").
sub	Subtitle for the chart (optional).

Examples

```
# Package loading and data exploration
library(smbinning) # Load package and its data
data(chileancredit) # Load smbinning sample dataset (Chilean Credit)
chileancredit.train=subset(chileancredit,FlagSample==1)
chileancredit.test=subset(chileancredit,FlagSample==0)
result=smbinning(df=chileancredit.train,y="FlagGB",x="TOB",p=0.05) # Run and save result

# Plots
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
boxplot(chileancredit.train$TOB~chileancredit.train$FlagGB,
        horizontal=TRUE, frame=FALSE, col="lightgray",main="Distribution")
mtext("Time on Books (Months)",3)
smbinning.plot(result,option="dist",sub="Time on Books (Months)")
smbinning.plot(result,option="badrate",sub="Time on Books (Months)")
smbinning.plot(result,option="WoE",sub="Time on Books (Months)")
```

smbinning.sql

SQL Code

Description

It outputs a SQL code to facilitate the generation of new binned characteristic in a SQL environment.

Usage

```
smbinning.sql(ivout)
```

Arguments

ivout	An object generated by smbinning.
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Value

A text with the SQL code for binning.

Examples

```
# Package loading and data exploration
library(smbinning) # Load package and its data
data(chileancredit) # Load smbinning sample dataset (Chilean Credit)
chileancredit.train=subset(chileancredit,FlagSample==1)
chileancredit.test=subset(chileancredit,FlagSample==0)
result=smbinning(df=chileancredit.train,y="FlagGB",x="TOB",p=0.05) # Run and save result

# Generate SQL code
smbinning.sql(result)
```

smbinning.sumiv

Information value Summary

Description

It gives the user the ability to calculate, in one step, the IV for each characteristic of the dataset. This function also shows a progress bar so the user can see the status of the process.

Usage

```
smbinning.sumiv(df, y)
```

Arguments

df	A data frame.
y	Binary response variable (0,1). Integer (int) is required. Name of y must not have a dot. Name "default" is not allowed.

Value

The command `smbinning.sumiv` generates a table that lists each characteristic with its corresponding IV for those where the calculation is possible, otherwise it will generate a missing value (NA).

Examples

```
# Package loading and data exploration
library(smbinning) # Load package and its data
data(chileancredit) # Load smbinning sample dataset (Chilean Credit)

# Training and testing samples (Just some basic formality for Modeling)
chileancredit.train=subset(chileancredit,FlagSample==1)
chileancredit.test=subset(chileancredit,FlagSample==0)

# Summary IV application
sumivt=smbinning.sumiv(chileancredit.train,y="FlagGB")
sumivt # Display table with IV by characteristic
```

smbinning.sumiv.plot Plot Information Value Summary

Description

It gives the user the ability to plot the Information Value by characteristic. The chart only shows characteristics with a valid IV.

Usage

```
smbinning.sumiv.plot(sumivt, cex = 0.9)
```

Arguments

sumivt	A data frame saved after <code>smbinning.sumiv</code> .
cex	Optional parameter for the user to control the font size of the characteristics displayed on the chart. The default value is 0.9

Value

The command `smbinning.sumiv.plot` returns a plot that shows the IV for each numeric and factor characteristic in the dataset.

Examples

```
# Package loading and data exploration
library(smbinning) # Load package and its data
data(chileancredit) # Load smbinning sample dataset (Chilean Credit)

# Training and testing samples (Just some basic formality for Modeling)
chileancredit.train=subset(chileancredit,FlagSample==1)
chileancredit.test=subset(chileancredit,FlagSample==0)

# Plotting smbinning.sumiv
sumivt=smbinning.sumiv(chileancredit.train,y="FlagGB")
sumivt # Display table with IV by characteristic
smbinning.sumiv.plot(sumivt,cex=0.8) # Plot IV summary table
```

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