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(PDENB) of [Stier et al., 2026].

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References

- [Stier et al., 2026] Stier, Q., Hoffmann, J. & Thrun, M. C.: Classifying with the Fine Structure of Distributions: Leveraging Distributional Information for Robust and Plausible Naïve Bayes, Machine Learning and Knowledge Extraction (MAKE), Vol. 8(1), 13, doi 10.3390/make8010013, MDPI, 2026.
- [Thrun et al., 2020] Thrun, M. C., Gehlert, T., & Ultsch, A.: Analyzing the Fine Structure of Distributions, PloS one, Vol. 15(10), pp. e0238835, doi 10.1371/journal.pone.0238835 2020.
- [Thrun/Ultsch, 2020] Thrun, M. C., & Ultsch, A.: Clustering Benchmark Datasets Exploiting the Fundamental Clustering Problems, Data in Brief, Vol. 30(C), pp. 105501, doi 10.1016/j.dib.2020.105501, 2020.

[Ultsch et al., 2015] Ultsch, A., Thrun, M. C., Hansen-Goos, O., & L?tsch, J.: Identification of Molecular Fingerprints in Human Heat Pain Thresholds by Use of an Interactive Mixture Model R Toolbox (AdaptGauss), International journal of molecular sciences, Vol. 16(10), pp. 25897-25911, doi 10.3390/ijms161025897, 2015.

Examples

```
if(requireNamespace("FCPS")){
V=FCPS::ClusterChallenge("Hepta",1000)
Data=V$Hepta
Cls=V$Cls
ind=1:length(Cls)
indtrain=sample(ind,800)
indtest=setdiff(ind,indtrain)
#parametric
#model=Train_naiveBayes(Data[indtrain,],Cls[indtrain],Gaussian=TRUE)
#ClsTrain=model$ClsTrain
#table(Cls[indtrain],ClsTrain)

#res=Predict_naiveBayes(Data[indtest,], Model = model)
#table(Cls[indtest],res$ClsTest)

#PDEbayes
model=Train_naiveBayes(Data[indtrain,],Cls[indtrain],Gaussian=FALSE)
ClsTrain=model$ClsTrain
table(Cls[indtrain],ClsTrain)

res=Predict_naiveBayes(Data[indtest,], Model = model)
table(Cls[indtest],res$ClsTest)
}
```

ApplyBayesTheorem4Likelihoods

ApplyBayesTheorem4Likelihoods

Description

Calculates the posteriors, for given likelihoods and priors using the Bayes Theorem

Usage

```
ApplyBayesTheorem4Likelihoods(Likelihoods,Priors,threshold=.Machine$double.eps*1000)
```

Arguments

Likelihoods	List of d numeric matrices, one per feature, each matrix with 1:k columns containing the distribution of class 1:k.
Priors	[1:k] Numeric vector with prior probability for each class.
threshold	(Optional: Default=0.00001).

Value

Posteriors [1:n, 1:d] Numeric matrix with posterior probability according to the bayes theorem.

Author(s)

Michael Thrun

References

[Stier et al., 2026] Stier, Q., Hoffmann, J. & Thrun, M. C.: Classifying with the Fine Structure of Distributions: Leveraging Distributional Information for Robust and Plausible Naïve Bayes, Machine Learning and Knowledge Extraction (MAKE), Vol. 8(1), 13, doi 10.3390/make8010013, MDPI, 2026.

Examples

```
if(requireNamespace("FCPS")){
  data(Hepta)
  Data=Hepta$Data
  Cls=Hepta$Cls
  #parametric
  #V=Train_naiveBayes(Data,Cls,Gaussian=TRUE)
  #ClsTrain=V$ClsTrain
  #table(Cls,ClsTrain)

  #non-parametric
  V=Train_naiveBayes(Data,Cls,Gaussian=FALSE)
  ClsTrain=V$ClsTrain
  table(Cls,ClsTrain)
}
```

```
defineOrEstimateDistribution
      defineOrEstimateDistribution
```

Description

The function estimates the distribution of values within a features that belong to a specific class, i.e., the conditional probability of the likelihood

Usage

```
defineOrEstimateDistribution(Feature,ClassInd,Gaussian=FALSE,ParetoRadius=NULL,
InternalPlotIt=FALSE,SD_Threshold=0.001,...)
```

Arguments

Feature	[1:n] Numeric Vector
ClassInd	Integer Vector with class indices
Gaussian	(Optional: Default=TRUE). Assume gaussian distribution.
ParetoRadius	Optional [1:d] numerical vector for pareto radii computed priorly, see ParetoRadius
InternalPlotIt	Optional: Default=FALSE). Create plot if set to TRUE.
SD_Threshold	Optional: Default=0.001.
...	Robust: Optional: Default=FALSE, TRUE: robust estimation of mean and std in case of Gaussian=TRUE Type: (Optional: Default=2, 1=original PDE, 2= improved PDE na.rm: (Optional: Default=TRUE). Remove na.

Value

Kernels	[1:m] Numeric vector with kernels (x-values) of a 1D pdf.
PDF	[1:m] Numeric vector with the distribution values of a 1D pdf.
Theta	Numeric vector with parameters of gaussian of mean and standard deviation - NULL if no gaussian used.

Author(s)

Michael Thrun

References

[Stier et al., 2026] Stier, Q., Hoffmann, J. & Thrun, M. C.: Classifying with the Fine Structure of Distributions: Leveraging Distributional Information for Robust and Plausible Naïve Bayes, Machine Learning and Knowledge Extraction (MAKE), Vol. 8(1), 13, doi 10.3390/make8010013, MDPI, 2026.

Examples

```
if(requireNamespace("FCPS")){
  data(Hepta)
  Data=Hepta$Data
  Cls=Hepta$Cls
  Priors=getPriors(Cls)
}
```

fitParameters	<i>fitParameters</i>
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Description

Fit Gaussian parameters.

Usage

```
fitParameters(Feature,ClassInd,Robust=FALSE,na.rm=TRUE,SD_Threshold=0.0001)
```

Arguments

Feature	[1:n] Numeric Vector
ClassInd	Integer Vector with class indices
Robust	(Optional: Default=FALSE). Robust computation if set to TRUE.
na.rm	(Optional: Default=TRUE). Remove na.
SD_Threshold	(Optional: Default=0.00001).

Value

Parameters	[1:2] Numeric vector with Mean and Std.
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Author(s)

Michael Thrun

Examples

```
if(requireNamespace("FCPS")){  
  data(Hepta)  
  Data=Hepta$Data  
  Cls=Hepta$Cls  
  Priors=getPriors(Cls)  
}
```

GetLikelihoods

GetLikelihoods

Description

Yields the likelihoods per feauture and class as values of distribution either defined by Gaussian or estimated form the data using pareto density estimation.

Usage

```
GetLikelihoods(Data,Cls,...)
```

Arguments

Data	[1:n,1:d] matrix of training data. It consists of n cases of d-dimensional data points. Every case has d attributes, variables or features.
Cls	[1:n] numerical vector with n numbers defining the classification. It has k unique numbers representing the arbitrary labels of the classification.
...	Further arguements for defineOrEstimateDistribution Robust=TRUE: robustly estimated gaussians na.rm=TRUE: remove NaNs Threshold: threshold for which the standard deviation cannot be smaller (defaul 0.0001)

Details

Due to pareto density estimation per class and feature, usually the number of rows in each element of `c_Kernels_list` and `ListOfLikelihoods` varies and does not equal the number of rows of data `n`.

Value

<code>c_Kernels_list</code>	List of d numeric matrices, one per feature, each matrix with 1:k columns containing the kernels of class 1:k
<code>ListOfLikelihoods</code>	List of d numeric matrices, one per feature, each matrix with 1:k columns containing distribution values (likelihood) of class 1:k
<code>Thetas</code>	If Gaussian=TRUE: List of d numeric matrices, one per feauture, each matrix with 1:k rows containing the mean in the first column and the standard deviation in teh seconf columd of class 1:k Otherwise: NULL
<code>ParetoRadiusPerFeature</code>	Numeric vector with estimated pareto radius per feature.

Author(s)

Michael Thrun

References

[Stier et al., 2026] Stier, Q., Hoffmann, J. & Thrun, M. C.: Classifying with the Fine Structure of Distributions: Leveraging Distributional Information for Robust and Plausible Naïve Bayes, Machine Learning and Knowledge Extraction (MAKE), Vol. 8(1), 13, doi 10.3390/make8010013, MDPI, 2026.

Examples

```
if(requireNamespace("FCPS")){
  data(Hepta)
  Data=Hepta$Data
  Cls=Hepta$Cls
  Priors=getPriors(Cls)
}
```

getPriors

getPriors

Description

Get a prior via class proportions.

Usage

```
getPriors(Cls)
```

Arguments

Cls	[1:n] numerical vector with n numbers defining the classification. It has k unique numbers representing the arbitrary labels of the classification.
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Value

Priors	[1:k] Numeric vector with prior probability for each class.
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Author(s)

Michael Thrun

Examples

```
if(requireNamespace("FCPS")){
  data(Hepta)
  Data=Hepta$Data
  Cls=Hepta$Cls
  Priors=getPriors(Cls)
}
```

Hepta

Hepta introduced in [Utsch, 2003]

Description

Clearly defined clusters, different variances. Detailed description of dataset and its clustering challenge is provided in [Thrun/Utsch, 2020].

Usage

```
data("Hepta")
```

Details

Size 212, Dimensions 3, stored in Hepta\$Data

Classes 7, stored in Hepta\$Cls

References

[Utsch, 2003] Utsch, A.: Maps for the visualization of high-dimensional data spaces, Proc. Workshop on Self organizing Maps (WSOM), pp. 225-230, Kyushu, Japan, 2003.

[Thrun/Utsch, 2020] Thrun, M. C., & Utsch, A.: Clustering Benchmark Datasets Exploiting the Fundamental Clustering Problems, Data in Brief, Vol. 30(C), pp. 105501, [doi:10.1016/j.dib.2020.105501](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.dib.2020.105501), 2020.

Examples

```
data(Hepta)
str(Hepta)
```

PlotBayesianDecision2D

PlotBayesianDecision2D

Description

Plots estimation of decision boundary in a 2D slice of the data using the posteriors

Usage

```
PlotBayesianDecision2D(X, Y, Posteriors, Class = 1, NoBins,
CellColorsOrPalette, Showpoints = TRUE, xlim, ylim, xlab, ylab, main,
PlotIt = TRUE)
```

Arguments

X	Numeric vector with point coordinates of first dimension of data selection.
Y	Numeric vector with point coordinates of second dimension of data selection.
Posteriors	[1:n, 1:Class] matrix of posteriors.
Class	Optional,Integer defining which class to look at.
NoBins	Optional,Number of bins for class posteriori.
CellColorsOrPalette	Optional, Either a function defining the color palette of a character vector or character vector of length NoBins stating colors.
Showpoints	Optional, TRUE, points are displayed.
xlim	Optional,Numeric vector of length 2 stating limits of x axis.
ylim	Optional,Numeric vector of length 2 stating limits of y axis.
xlab	Optional,Character stating name of x axis.
ylab	Optional,Character stating name of y axis.
main	Optional, Character name of title
PlotIt	Optional, TRUE: prints GGPlot2 object, FALSE: not shown plot.

Details

Boundaries are assumed to be zero for plotting.

Value

List of:

Mapping	List containing a map for colors, kernels and bin number.
GGobj	ggplot2 object containing 2D visualization of Posteriori.

Author(s)

Michael Thrun

References

[Stier et al., 2026] Stier, Q.,Hoffmann, J. & Thrun, M. C.: Classifying with the Fine Structure of Distributions: Leveraging Distributional Information for Robust and Plausible Naïve Bayes, Machine Learning and Knowledge Extraction (MAKE), Vol. 8(1), 13, doi 10.3390/make8010013, MDPI, 2026.

Examples

```

Data = as.matrix(iris[,1:4])
Cls = as.numeric(iris[,5])

TrainIdx = c(17, 73, 46, 29, 68, 35, 131, 62, 132, 127, 71, 72,
144, 99, 93, 13, 38, 21, 102, 53, 36, 111, 114, 96, 57, 74, 145,
86, 3, 16, 52, 59, 140, 40, 122, 109, 6, 91, 79, 15, 108, 139,
37, 76, 20, 115, 66, 28, 100, 117, 44, 78, 80, 150, 146, 142,
9, 90, 45, 58, 134, 11, 87, 125, 141, 118, 136, 48, 124, 47,
8, 27, 33, 92, 130, 54, 65, 104, 23, 98, 129, 123, 34, 128, 135,
51, 64, 5, 94, 83, 42, 116, 101, 43, 7, 12, 82, 1, 84, 138, 2,
56, 4, 106, 120)

TestIdx = c(60, 10, 75, 70, 81, 18, 97, 95, 67, 22, 55, 143,
88, 24, 105, 26, 119, 31, 107, 63, 41, 61, 32, 147, 89, 14, 121,
19, 113, 49, 126, 112, 25, 77, 137, 103, 50, 30, 149, 110, 39,
69, 148, 85, 133)

TrainX = Data[TrainIdx, ]
TestX  = Data[TestIdx, ]
TrainY = Cls[TrainIdx]
TestY  = Cls[TestIdx]

VPDENB = Train_naiveBayes(Data = TrainX, Cls = TrainY, Plausible = FALSE)

PlotBayesianDecision2D(X = TrainX[, 1], Y = TrainX[, 2],
Posterior = VPDENB$Posterior, Class = 1)

```

PlotLikelihoodFuns	<i>PlotLikelihoodFuns</i>
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Description

Plots the class-conditional Likelihoods per feature, given the generating likelihood functions.

Usage

```

PlotLikelihoodFuns(LikelihoodFuns,Data,PlausibleLikelihoodFuns=NULL,
Epsilon=NULL,PlausibleCenters=NULL,PlotCutOff=4,xlim)

```

Arguments

LikelihoodFuns	List with Likelihoods generating functions
Data	Numeric matrix with data.
PlausibleLikelihoodFuns	List with plausible Likelihoods.
Epsilon	Numeric scalar defining epsilon for plausible likelihoods.

PlausibleCenters	Numeric vector [1:k] plausible centers used to compute plausible likelihoods.
PlotCutoff	scalar defining the how many feature starting from 1 should be plotted or numerical vector defining the index of features to be plotted in second case should not be too many otherwise plot yields an error.
xlim	Numeric vector of length 2 stating limits of x axis.

Value

No return value.

Author(s)

Michael Thrun

References

[Stier et al., 2026] Stier, Q., Hoffmann, J. & Thrun, M. C.: Classifying with the Fine Structure of Distributions: Leveraging Distributional Information for Robust and Plausible Naïve Bayes, Machine Learning and Knowledge Extraction (MAKE), Vol. 8(1), 13, doi 10.3390/make8010013, MDPI, 2026.

Examples

```
Data = as.matrix(iris[,1:4])
Cls = as.numeric(iris[,5])

TrainIdx = c(17, 73, 46, 29, 68, 35, 131, 62, 132, 127, 71, 72,
144, 99, 93, 13, 38, 21, 102, 53, 36, 111, 114, 96, 57, 74, 145,
86, 3, 16, 52, 59, 140, 40, 122, 109, 6, 91, 79, 15, 108, 139,
37, 76, 20, 115, 66, 28, 100, 117, 44, 78, 80, 150, 146, 142,
9, 90, 45, 58, 134, 11, 87, 125, 141, 118, 136, 48, 124, 47,
8, 27, 33, 92, 130, 54, 65, 104, 23, 98, 129, 123, 34, 128, 135,
51, 64, 5, 94, 83, 42, 116, 101, 43, 7, 12, 82, 1, 84, 138, 2,
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19, 113, 49, 126, 112, 25, 77, 137, 103, 50, 30, 149, 110, 39,
69, 148, 85, 133)

TrainX = Data[TrainIdx, ]
TestX = Data[TestIdx, ]
TrainY = Cls[TrainIdx]
TestY = Cls[TestIdx]

VPDENB = Train_naiveBayes(Data = TrainX, Cls = TrainY, Plausible = FALSE)

PlotLikelihoodFuns(LikelihoodFuns = VPDENB$Model$PDFs_funs, Data = TrainX)
```

PlotLikelihoods	<i>PlotLikelihoods</i>
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Description

Plots the Likelihoods per feature.

Usage

```
PlotLikelihoods(Likelihoods, Data, PlausibleLikelihoods=NULL,Epsilon=NULL,
PlausibleCenters=NULL,PlotCutOff=4,xlim)
```

Arguments

Likelihoods	List with Likelihoods.
Data	Numeric matrix with data.
PlausibleLikelihoods	List with plausible Likelihoods.
Epsilon	Numeric scalar defining epsilon fo plausible likelihoods.
PlausibleCenters	Numeric vector [1:k] plausible centers used to compute plausible likelihoods.
PlotCutOff	scalar defining the how many feature starting from 1 should be plotted or numerical vector defining the index of features to be plotted in second case should not be too many otherwise plot yields an error.
xlim	Numeric vector of length 2 stating limits of x axis.

Details

Boundaries are assumed to be zero for plotting.

Value

No return value.

Author(s)

Michael Thrun

References

[Stier et al., 2026] Stier, Q.,Hoffmann, J. & Thrun, M. C.: Classifying with the Fine Structure of Distributions: Leveraging Distributional Information for Robust and Plausible Naïve Bayes, Machine Learning and Knowledge Extraction (MAKE), Vol. 8(1), 13, doi 10.3390/make8010013, MDPI, 2026.

Examples

```
Data = as.matrix(iris[,1:4])
Cls = as.numeric(iris[,5])

TrainIdx = c(17, 73, 46, 29, 68, 35, 131, 62, 132, 127, 71, 72,
144, 99, 93, 13, 38, 21, 102, 53, 36, 111, 114, 96, 57, 74, 145,
86, 3, 16, 52, 59, 140, 40, 122, 109, 6, 91, 79, 15, 108, 139,
37, 76, 20, 115, 66, 28, 100, 117, 44, 78, 80, 150, 146, 142,
9, 90, 45, 58, 134, 11, 87, 125, 141, 118, 136, 48, 124, 47,
8, 27, 33, 92, 130, 54, 65, 104, 23, 98, 129, 123, 34, 128, 135,
51, 64, 5, 94, 83, 42, 116, 101, 43, 7, 12, 82, 1, 84, 138, 2,
56, 4, 106, 120)

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88, 24, 105, 26, 119, 31, 107, 63, 41, 61, 32, 147, 89, 14, 121,
19, 113, 49, 126, 112, 25, 77, 137, 103, 50, 30, 149, 110, 39,
69, 148, 85, 133)

TrainX = Data[TrainIdx, ]
TestX = Data[TestIdx, ]
TrainY = Cls[TrainIdx]
TestY = Cls[TestIdx]

VPDENB = Train_naiveBayes(Data = TrainX, Cls = TrainY, Plausible = FALSE)

PlotLikelihoods(Likelihoods = VPDENB$Model$ListOfLikelihoods, Data = TrainX)
```

PlotNaiveBayes	<i>PlotNaiveBayes</i>
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Description

Visualize the class-conditional distributions of the Pareto Density estimated naive Bayes model (PDENB) [Stier et al., 2026].

Usage

```
PlotNaiveBayes(Model, FeatureNames, ClassNames, DatasetName = "Data",
nrows = 1, FeatureOrderOrSubset, NumFeaturesPerRow = 4, Colors,
IndividualFigures = FALSE)
```

Arguments

Model	List with elements Priors,c_2List_Train.
FeatureNames	Character vector of names with a name for each feature contained in the data used to create the naive bayes model.
ClassNames	Character vector of class names to present in the legend of the plots.
DatasetName	Character title for each plot.

nrows	Number of rows inside one plot.
FeatureOrderOrSubset	Numeric vector representing the order of the features to be displayed or a subset as col indices om data column order.
NumFeaturesPerRow	Maximum number of features to be displayed in one plot.
Colors	Character vector of color names. The length of the vector must be the same as the number of classes within the data modeled by the naive Bayes classifier.
IndividualFigures	Optional boolean: If set to TRUE, it returns a list of the individual figures for customization.

Details

Boundaries are assumed to be zero for plotting.

Value

Cls	[1:n] numerical vector with n numbers defining the classification. It has k unique numbers representing the arbitrary labels of the classification.
Posteriors	[1:n, 1:l] Numeric matrices with posterior probabilities.
DataLikelihoodsPerClass	list of length d, each element is a matrix [1:n, 1:k] of interpolated class likelihoods per feature d

Author(s)

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References

[Stier et al., 2026] Stier, Q., Hoffmann, J. & Thrun, M. C.: Classifying with the Fine Structure of Distributions: Leveraging Distributional Information for Robust and Plausible Naïve Bayes, Machine Learning and Knowledge Extraction (MAKE), Vol. 8(1), 13, doi 10.3390/make8010013, MDPI, 2026.

Examples

```
Data = as.matrix(iris[,1:4])
Cls = as.numeric(iris[,5])
DatasetName = "Iris"

TrainIdx = c(17, 73, 46, 29, 68, 35, 131, 62, 132, 127, 71, 72,
144, 99, 93, 13, 38, 21, 102, 53, 36, 111, 114, 96, 57, 74, 145,
86, 3, 16, 52, 59, 140, 40, 122, 109, 6, 91, 79, 15, 108, 139,
37, 76, 20, 115, 66, 28, 100, 117, 44, 78, 80, 150, 146, 142,
9, 90, 45, 58, 134, 11, 87, 125, 141, 118, 136, 48, 124, 47,
8, 27, 33, 92, 130, 54, 65, 104, 23, 98, 129, 123, 34, 128, 135,
51, 64, 5, 94, 83, 42, 116, 101, 43, 7, 12, 82, 1, 84, 138, 2,
```



```
56, 4, 106, 120)

TestIdx = c(60, 10, 75, 70, 81, 18, 97, 95, 67, 22, 55, 143,
88, 24, 105, 26, 119, 31, 107, 63, 41, 61, 32, 147, 89, 14, 121,
19, 113, 49, 126, 112, 25, 77, 137, 103, 50, 30, 149, 110, 39,
69, 148, 85, 133)

TrainX = Data[TrainIdx, ]
TestX  = Data[TestIdx, ]
TrainY = Cls[TrainIdx]
TestY  = Cls[TestIdx]

VPDENB = Train_naiveBayes(Data = TrainX, Cls = TrainY, Plausible = FALSE)

FeatureNames = colnames(Data)

PlotNaiveBayes(Model = VPDENB$Model, FeatureNames = FeatureNames)
```

PlotPosteriors	<i>PlotPosteriors</i>
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Description

Plots posteriors either using a panel of plots based on PlotBayesianDecision2D or in 1D as a line plot [Stier et al., 2026].

Usage

```
PlotPosteriors(Data, Posteriors, Class = 1,
CellColorsOrPalette, Showpoints=TRUE, NoBins, ShowLegend=TRUE)
```

Arguments

Data	Either numeric matrix [1:n, 1:d] with data or one column of data.
Posteriors	[1:n, 1:Class] matrix of posteriors.
Class	Integer defining which class to look at if numeric matrix is given, for column of data all posteriors are overlayed in line plot.
CellColorsOrPalette	Optional, Either a function defining the color palette of a character vector or character vector of length NoBins stating colors.
Showpoints	Optional, TRUE, points are displayed.
NoBins	Optional, number of bins for class posteriors
ShowLegend	Optional, TRUE, show one posterior legend for all pairwise plots

Details

Plotting posteriors in one directions only often does not give any insight. The default option using PlotBayesianDecision2D os often more useful.

Value

GGobj ggplot2 object containing 2D visualization of Posteriori.

Author(s)

Michael Thrun

References

[Stier et al., 2026] Stier, Q., Hoffmann, J. & Thrun, M. C.: Classifying with the Fine Structure of Distributions: Leveraging Distributional Information for Robust and Plausible Naïve Bayes, Machine Learning and Knowledge Extraction (MAKE), Vol. 8(1), 13, doi 10.3390/make8010013, MDPI, 2026.

Examples

```
Data = as.matrix(iris[,1:4])
Cls = as.numeric(iris[,5])

TrainIdx = c(17, 73, 46, 29, 68, 35, 131, 62, 132, 127, 71, 72,
144, 99, 93, 13, 38, 21, 102, 53, 36, 111, 114, 96, 57, 74, 145,
86, 3, 16, 52, 59, 140, 40, 122, 109, 6, 91, 79, 15, 108, 139,
37, 76, 20, 115, 66, 28, 100, 117, 44, 78, 80, 150, 146, 142,
9, 90, 45, 58, 134, 11, 87, 125, 141, 118, 136, 48, 124, 47,
8, 27, 33, 92, 130, 54, 65, 104, 23, 98, 129, 123, 34, 128, 135,
51, 64, 5, 94, 83, 42, 116, 101, 43, 7, 12, 82, 1, 84, 138, 2,
56, 4, 106, 120)

TestIdx = c(60, 10, 75, 70, 81, 18, 97, 95, 67, 22, 55, 143,
88, 24, 105, 26, 119, 31, 107, 63, 41, 61, 32, 147, 89, 14, 121,
19, 113, 49, 126, 112, 25, 77, 137, 103, 50, 30, 149, 110, 39,
69, 148, 85, 133)

TrainX = Data[TrainIdx, ]
TestX = Data[TestIdx, ]
TrainY = Cls[TrainIdx]
TestY = Cls[TestIdx]

VPDENB = Train_naiveBayes(Data = TrainX, Cls = TrainY, Plausible = FALSE)
#default option
PlotPosteriors(Data = TrainX, Posteriors = VPDENB$Posteriors, Class = 1)

# alternative option
PlotPosteriors(Data = TrainX[,3], Posteriors = VPDENB$Posteriors)
```

predict.PDEbayes	<i>predict.PDEbayes</i>
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Description

Predict a classification with the Pareto Density estimated naive Bayes model [Stier et al., 2026] . (PDENB).

Usage

```
predict.PDEbayes(object, newdata, type = c("class", "response", "prob"), ...)
```

Arguments

object	Model obtained from training routine in PDenaiveBayes package.
newdata	[1:n,1:d] matrix of test data. It consists of n cases of d-dimensional data points. Every case has d attributes, variables or features.
type	Optional parameter.
...	Gaussian: Optional: Default=TRUE). Assume gaussian distribution. Plausible: (Optional: TRUE: uses plausible bayesian theorem, FALSE non-plausible bayesian theorem Type: (Optional: default=1, 1 = original PDE, 2 = R native density estimation Threshold: Threshold for which the standard deviation cannot be smaller (default=1e-12) PlotIt: Optional: Default=FALSE, TRUE: Plots Likelihoods PlotCutoff: Optional: Scalar indicating how many features (starting from 1) should be plotted, or a numerical vector specifying the indices of the features to plot. Note: In the second case, avoid selecting too many features, as this may cause the plot to fail ParetoRadiusPerFeature: Optional [1:d] numerical vector for pareto radii computed priorly, see ParetoRadius or {ParetoRadius_fast} cl: Optional: a cluster object, created by parallel, if given and ParetoRadiusPerFeature missing, then ParetoRadiusPerFeature is computed multicore otherwise single core Robust: Optional: Default=FALSE, TRUE: robust estimation of mean and std in case of Gaussian=TRUE

Details

The function is implemented in a way so that one can combine training and test data although it is intended to be applied on test data only.

Value

cls	Numeric vector with predicted class associated with newdata.
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Author(s)

Michael Thrun

References

[Stier et al., 2026] Stier, Q.,Hoffmann, J. & Thrun, M. C.: Classifying with the Fine Structure of Distributions: Leveraging Distributional Information for Robust and Plausible Naïve Bayes, Machine Learning and Knowledge Extraction (MAKE), Vol. 8(1), 13, doi 10.3390/make8010013, MDPI, 2026.

See Also

[Train_naiveBayes](#)

Examples

```
if(requireNamespace("FCPS")){
V=FCPS::ClusterChallenge("Hepta",1000)
Data=V$Hepta
Cls=V$Cls
ind=1:length(Cls)
indtrain=sample(ind,800)
indtest=setdiff(ind,indtrain)

model=Train_naiveBayes(Data[indtrain,],Cls[indtrain],Gaussian=FALSE)
ClsTrain=model$ClsTrain
table(Cls[indtrain],ClsTrain)

ClsTest=predict.PDEbayes(object = model, newdata = Data[indtest,])
table(Cls[indtest],ClsTest)
}
```

Predict_naiveBayes	<i>Predict_naiveBayes</i>
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Description

Predict classification with naive Bayes model [Stier et al., 2026].

Usage

```
Predict_naiveBayes(Data, Model, ...)
```

Arguments

Data	[1:n,1:d] matrix of test data. It consists of n cases of d-dimensional data points. Every case has d attributes, variables or features.
Model	Optional, list with elements Priors,c_2List_Train,Thetas, alternative set arguments seperatly

... Priors: Optional, if Model missing, then [1:k] Numeric vector with prior probability for each class.
 c_2List_Train: Optional, if Model missing, then c_2List_Train is the output of GetLikelihoods: a list of two three elements of Kernels, Likelihoods per feature and class, optional Thetas or PlausibleCenters depending on parameter setting
 Thetas: Optional, if Model missing, then If c_2List_Train is missing, alternatively the parameters mean and standard deviation of the gaussian distributions per class and feaures.
 PlotIt: Optional: Default=FALSE, TRUE: Plots Likelihoods
 PlotCutoff: Optional: Scalar indicating how many features (starting from 1) should be plotted, or a numerical vector specifying the indices of the features to plot. Note: In the second case, avoid selecting too many features, as this may cause the plot to fail

Details

The function is implemented in a way so that one can combine training and test data although it is intended to be applied on test data only.

Value

Cls [1:n] numerical vector with n numbers defining the classification. It has k unique numbers representing the arbitrary labels of the classification.
 Posteriors [1:n, 1:l] Numeric matrices with posterior probabilities.
 DataLikelihoodsPerClass
 list of length d, each element is a matrix [1:n, 1:k] of interpolated class likelihoods per feature d

Author(s)

Michael Thrun

References

[Stier et al., 2026] Stier, Q., Hoffmann, J. & Thrun, M. C.: Classifying with the Fine Structure of Distributions: Leveraging Distributional Information for Robust and Plausible Naïve Bayes, Machine Learning and Knowledge Extraction (MAKE), Vol. 8(1), 13, doi 10.3390/make8010013, MDPI, 2026.

See Also

[Train_naiveBayes](#)

Examples

```
if(requireNamespace("FCPS")){
  V=FCPS::ClusterChallenge("Hepta",1000)
  Data=V$Hepta
  Cls=V$Cls
}
```

```
ind=1:length(Cls)
indtrain=sample(ind,800)
indtest=setdiff(ind,indtrain)

#PDEbayes
model=Train_naiveBayes(Data[indtrain,],Cls[indtrain],Gaussian=FALSE)
ClsTrain=model$ClsTrain
table(Cls[indtrain],ClsTrain)

res=Predict_naiveBayes(Data[indtest,], Model = model)
table(Cls[indtest],res$ClsTest)
}
```

Train_naiveBayes	<i>Train_naiveBayes</i>
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Description

Trains a Pareto Density estimated naive Bayes model (PDENB) of [Stier et al., 2026].

Usage

```
Train_naiveBayes(Data,Cls,Predict=TRUE,Priors,...)
```

Arguments

Data	[1:n,1:d] matrix of training data. It consists of n cases of d-dimensional data points. Every case hasd attributes, variables or features.
Cls	[1:n] numerical vector with n numbers defining the classification. It has k unique numbers representing the arbitrary labels of the classification.
Predict	Optional, boolean to decide extent of output. In case of TRUE, yields ClsTrain and Posteriors, else it yields only Model and Thetas. Note: Only if Predict is set to TRUE, parameter EvalPlausible can be set true!
Priors	Optional, [1:k] numerical vector defining the prior probabilities of the k classes. If missing, estimated from Cls.
...	Gaussian: Optional: Default=TRUE). Assume gaussian distribution. Plausible: (Optional: TRUE: uses plausible bayesian theorem, FALSE non-plausible bayesian theorem. Type: (Optional: default=1, 1 = original PDE, 2 = R native density estimation. Threshold: Threshold for which the standard deviation cannot be smaller (default =1e-12). PlotIt: Optional: Default=FALSE, TRUE: Plots Likelihoods. PlotCutOff: Optional: Scalar indicating how many features (starting from 1) should be plotted, or a numerical vector specifying the indices of the features to plot. Note: In the second case, avoid selecting too many features, as this may cause the plot to fail.

ParetoRadiusPerFeature: Optional [1:d] numerical vector for pareto radii computed priorly, see [ParetoRadius](#) or {ParetoRadius_fast}

cl: Optional: a cluster object, created by parallel, if given and ParetoRadiusPerFeature missing, then ParetoRadiusPerFeature is computed multicore otherwise single core

Robust: Optional: Default=FALSE, TRUE: robust estimation of mean and std in case of Gaussian=TRUE.

GlobalPR: Optional: Default=TRUE, FALSE: estimation of pareto radius for each class individually.

Details

Precomputation of ParetoRadiusPerFeature can be useful to make cross-validation faster although it should be only done on the training data.

If Plausible is not given, both options are evaluated using shannon information.

c_Kernels_list and ListOfLikelihoods have d elements each storing a matrix [1:m, 1:k], usually $m \neq n$. In contrast to DataLikelihoodsPerClass in which by interpolation the matrix are of size [1:n, 1:k]

Value

Model	List of model parameters and results.
c_Kernels_list	List of matrices, where each matrix represent the kernels of one feature for all classes.
ListOfLikelihoods	List of matrices, where each matrix represent the likelihood of one feature for all classes.
PDFs_funs	Nested list of depth 1, where the first index assigns the feature index and the second index assigns the class. The elements are functions for the density estimation for each feature and each class.
ParetoRadiusPerFeature	Numeric vector which stores the pareto radius for each feature.
Theta	Parameters mean and standard deviation of the Gaussian distributions per class and features.
Priors	Numeric vector which stores the prior probability of each class to appear.
PlausibleCenters	[1:k, 1:f] Numeric matrix which stores the centers for each feature and each class, where the row index assigns features and the column index assigns classes.
ClsTrain	[1:n] numerical vector with n numbers defining the classification. It has k unique numbers representing the arbitrary labels of the classification.
Posteriors	[1:n, 1:k] Numeric matrices with posterior probabilities.

Author(s)

Michael Thrun

References

[Stier et al., 2026] Stier, Q., Hoffmann, J. & Thrun, M. C.: Classifying with the Fine Structure of Distributions: Leveraging Distributional Information for Robust and Plausible Naïve Bayes, Machine Learning and Knowledge Extraction (MAKE), Vol. 8(1), 13, doi 10.3390/make8010013, MDPI, 2026.

See Also

[Predict_naiveBayes](#)

Examples

```
if(requireNamespace("FCPS")){
  data(Hepta)
  Data=Hepta$Data
  Cls=Hepta$Cls

  #non-parametric
  V=Train_naiveBayes(Data,Cls,Gaussian=FALSE)
  ClsTrain=V$ClsTrain
  table(Cls,ClsTrain)
}
```

Train_naiveBayes_multicore

Train a Multicore Pareto Density Naive Bayes Classifier

Description

Trains a naive Bayes classifier using Gaussian likelihoods or nonparametric Pareto density estimation (PDE), with an optional plausible correction for low-evidence cases [Stier et al., 2026]. Model training can be distributed across a parallel cluster. Shared-memory computation can be enabled to prevent memory duplication among workers [Thrun and Märte, 2026].

Usage

```
Train_naiveBayes_multicore(
  cl = NULL,
  Data,
  Cls,
  Plausible = TRUE,
  Predict = FALSE,
  Priors,
  UseMemshare = FALSE,
  ...
)
```


Arguments

<code>c1</code>	A cluster object, typically created with <code>makeCluster</code> . If <code>NULL</code> , the function runs in a single R process; this mode is intended primarily for debugging.
<code>Data</code>	A numeric n by d matrix containing n observations in rows and d features in columns. Objects that are not matrices are converted with <code>as.matrix()</code> .
<code>Cls</code>	A numeric vector of length n containing the class label for each observation. The vector must contain at least two distinct finite class labels. If <code>Cls</code> is not numeric, the function attempts to convert it using FCPS ; otherwise it falls back to <code>as.numeric()</code> .
<code>Plausible</code>	Logical. If <code>TRUE</code> , use the plausible naive Bayes extension described by Stier et al. (2026) for low-evidence cases. If <code>FALSE</code> , use the standard Bayes decision rule. The plausible adjustment is intended for non-Gaussian likelihood models and requires FCPS .
<code>Predict</code>	Logical. If <code>TRUE</code> , classify the training observations after fitting and return their predicted classes and posterior probabilities. If <code>FALSE</code> , only the model is fitted; <code>ClsTrain</code> and <code>Posteriors</code> are returned as <code>NULL</code> .
<code>Priors</code>	Optional numeric vector of length k containing the prior probabilities of the k classes. Names should correspond to the class labels. If missing, priors are estimated from the filtered training labels in <code>Cls</code> .
<code>UseMemshare</code>	Logical. If <code>TRUE</code> and <code>c1</code> is not <code>NULL</code> , use <code>memApply</code> so that memory can be shared within the multicore computation. This can reduce duplication of large training objects among workers and requires the memshare package. If <code>FALSE</code> , the parallel backend is used.
<code>...</code>	Additional named arguments passed to the underlying likelihood-estimation and prediction functions. Common arguments include: <code>Gaussian</code> Logical; default <code>FALSE</code>. If <code>TRUE</code>, estimate a Gaussian likelihood for every feature and class. If <code>FALSE</code>, estimate likelihoods nonparametrically. <code>Type</code> Integer selecting the nonparametric density estimator. 1 uses Pareto density estimation, 2 uses <code>stats::density()</code>, and 3 uses <code>stats::density()</code> with the Pareto radius as its bandwidth. The default is 1. <code>Threshold</code> Numeric threshold used by the plausible-likelihood adjustment. The default in <code>Train_naiveBayes()</code> is $1e-4$. <code>SD_Threshold</code> Positive numeric lower bound used for the standard deviation during Gaussian parameter estimation. The default is 0.001. <code>ParetoRadiusPerFeature</code> Optional precomputed Pareto radius. The spelling of this argument is retained for API compatibility. The current multicore wrapper supports a scalar value; a feature-specific vector is not supported. A radius must be estimated using training data only, for example with <code>ParetoRadius</code> or <code>ParetoRadius_fast</code>. <code>Robust</code> Logical; default <code>FALSE</code>. If <code>TRUE</code> and <code>Gaussian</code> = <code>TRUE</code>, use robust estimates of the class-wise means and standard deviations. <code>GlobalPR</code> Logical; default <code>TRUE</code>. If <code>TRUE</code>, estimate one Pareto radius per feature. If <code>FALSE</code>, estimate a separate Pareto radius for each class and feature. <code>PlotIt</code> Logical; default <code>FALSE</code>. If <code>TRUE</code>, plot the estimated likelihoods. Plotting is intended for the single-process debugging mode <code>c1</code> = <code>NULL</code>.

PlotCutoff A positive integer giving the number of leading features to plot, or an integer vector containing the feature indices to plot. Selecting many features can produce an excessively large plot.

Details

The function trains every column of *Data* independently and combines the resulting components into one multivariate naive Bayes model. With a non-NULL *cluster*, the feature-wise fits are evaluated in parallel.

When *UseMemshare* = FALSE, the standard **parallel** backend is used and worker processes can hold separate copies of the required objects. When *UseMemshare* = TRUE, **memshare** provides shared-memory objects during the multicore computation [Thrun and Märte, 2026]. The potential memory saving is greatest for large training matrices and multiple workers. Memory sharing has no effect when *c1* = NULL.

If the number of rows in *Data* differs from the length of *C1s*, the inputs are shortened to their common length with a warning. Observations with non-finite class labels are removed before default priors are estimated.

If *Data* has no column names, feature names of the form X1, X2, and so on are generated. Feature names are retained in the fitted model components.

A precomputed Pareto radius can accelerate repeated fitting, such as during cross-validation. To avoid information leakage, it must be estimated separately within each training fold and never from the corresponding validation data.

Value

A list with the following components:

Model An object of class *PDEbayes* containing the fitted model. Depending on the selected options, it contains:

c_Kernels_list A list of length *d*. Each element is a matrix containing the density kernels for one feature across the *k* classes.

ListOfLikelihoods A list of length *d*. Each element is a matrix containing the estimated likelihood values for one feature across the *k* classes.

PDFs_funs A feature-indexed list of class-specific density functions.

ParetoRadiusPerFeature For non-Gaussian models, either a numeric vector with one Pareto radius per feature or, when *GlobalPR* = FALSE, a class-by-feature matrix. For Gaussian models, this component is not used for likelihood estimation.

Thetas For Gaussian models, a list of length *d*. Each element is a *k* by 2 matrix containing the class-wise means and standard deviations. It is NULL for non-Gaussian models.

Priors A named numeric vector containing the class prior probabilities.

Plausible Logical value indicating whether plausible likelihood correction was requested.

PlausibleCenters When plausible correction is used, a *d* by *k* numeric matrix of feature-wise class centers; otherwise NULL.

C1sTrain If *Predict* = TRUE, a numeric vector of length *n* containing the predicted class labels for the training observations; otherwise NULL.

Posteriors If *Predict* = TRUE, an *n* by *k* matrix of posterior class probabilities; otherwise NULL.

Author(s)

Michael Thrun

References

[Stier et al., 2026] Stier, Q., Hoffmann, J. & Thrun, M. C.: Classifying with the Fine Structure of Distributions: Leveraging Distributional Information for Robust and Plausible Naïve Bayes, Machine Learning and Knowledge Extraction (MAKE), Vol. 8(1), 13, doi 10.3390/make8010013, MDPI, 2026.

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See Also

[Train_naiveBayes](#), [Predict_naiveBayes](#), [predict.PDEbayes](#)

Examples

```
data(Hepta)
Data <- Hepta$Data
Cls <- Hepta$Cls

## Single-process debugging mode
Vdebug <- Train_naiveBayes_multicore(
  cl = NULL,
  Data = Data,
  Cls = Cls,
  Plausible = FALSE,
  Gaussian = FALSE,
  Predict = TRUE
)

if(requireNamespace("parallel")){
  cl = parallel::makeCluster(1)#set to number of cores >1
  #each core copies the memory
  V=Train_naiveBayes_multicore(cl=cl,Data=Data,Cls=Cls,
    Predict=TRUE,UseMemshare=FALSE)
  ClsTrain=V$ClsTrain
  table(Cls,ClsTrain)

  #each core shares the memory
  V=Train_naiveBayes_multicore(cl=cl,Data=Data,Cls=Cls,
    Predict=TRUE,UseMemshare=TRUE)
  ClsTrain=V$ClsTrain
  table(Cls,ClsTrain)
  on.exit(parallel::stopCluster(cl))
}
```

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