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bestLayerLearner

The best layer-specific model is used as meta model.

#### **Description**

The meta learner is the best layer-specific learner. This function is intended to be (internally) used as meta-learner in fuseMLR.

# Usage

```
bestLayerLearner(x, y, perf = NULL)
```

# Arguments

x data.frame

data.frame of predictors.

y vector

True target observations. Either binary or two level factor variable.

perf function

Function to compute layer-specific performance of learners. If NULL, the Brier Score (classification) or a mean squared error (regression) is used by default as performance measure. Otherwise, the performance function must accept two parameters: observed (observed values) and predicted (predicted values).

#### Value

A model object of class weightedMeanLeaner.

#### **Examples**

```
set.seed(20240624L)
x = data.frame(x1 = runif(n = 50L, min = 0, max = 1))
y = sample(x = 0L:1L, size = 50L, replace = TRUE)
my_best_model = bestLayerLearner(x = x, y = y)
```

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Cobra Meta Learner cobra

#### **Description**

The function cobra implements the COBRA (COmBined Regression Alternative), an aggregation method for combining predictions from multiple individual learners. This method aims to tune key parameters for achieving optimal predictions by averaging the target values of similar candidates in the training dataset's predictions. Only the training points that are sufficiently similar to the test point (based on the proximity threshold epsilon) are used for prediction. If no suitable training points are found, the function returns NA.

#### Usage

```
cobra(x, y, tune = "epsilon", k_folds = NULL, eps = NULL)
```

# Arguments

rguments	
X	data.frame A training data, where rows are observations and columns are predictions from individual learners. Use NA for missing predictions.
у	vector  A vector containing the training targets. This can be a binary or two-level factor variable.
tune	<ul> <li>character</li> <li>A character value specifying the tuning mode:</li> <li>"alpha_epsilon": Tunes both alpha (number of learners) and epsilon (proximity threshold) via cross-validation.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>"epsilon": Tunes epsilon only via cross-validation.</li> <li>"user": No tuning; the user provides an optimal epsilon. #' The default value is epsilon.</li> </ul>
k_folds	integer  Number of folds for cross-validation when tune = "alpha_epsilon" or "epsilon"  Default is 10

Default is 10.

eps numeric

A numeric value for the proximity threshold, used only when tune = "user".

Defaults to 0.1.

#### Value

An object of class cobra containing the training data, target values, and chosen parameters.

# References

Biau, G., Fischer, A., Guedj, B., & Malley, J. D. (2014). COBRA: A combined regression strategy. The Journal of Multivariate Analysis 46:18-28

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#### **Examples**

```
# Example usage
set.seed(123)
x_train <- data.frame(a = runif(10L), b = runif(10L))
y_train <- sample(0L:1L, size = 10L, replace = TRUE)

# Train the model with epsilon optimization
cobra_model <- cobra(x = x_train, y = y_train, tune = "epsilon", k_folds = 2)

# Make predictions on new data
set.seed(156)
x_new <- data.frame(a = runif(5L), b = runif(5L))
prediction <- predict(object = cobra_model, data = x_new)</pre>
```

createCobraPred

Create COBRA Predictions

#### **Description**

The createCobraPred function calculates predictions by averaging the target values of all the nearest candidates in the training dataset. Only the training points that are within the specified proximity (eps) to the test point are used to determine the prediction. If no suitable training points are found, the function returns NA as the prediction.

## Usage

```
createCobraPred(
   train,
   test,
   n_train,
   n_test,
   nlearners,
   eps,
   alpha,
   train_target
)
```

#### **Arguments**

train	A matrix representing the training data. Rows represent observations, and columns contain predictions from individual learners for these observations. In cases where a prediction is unavailable for a specific observation, NA is used.
test	A matrix representing the test data. Rows represent observations, and columns contain predictions from individual learners for these observations. In cases where a prediction is unavailable for a specific observation, NA is used.
n_train	An integer specifying the number of training observations.

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n\_test An integer specifying the number of test observations.

An integer representing the number of learners.

eps A numeric value representing the threshold for proximity between two predictions.

alpha A value that determines the optimal number of learners in the neighborhood (only for alpha optimization).

train\_target A vector containing the target values for the training dataset

createDif

Create Difference

# Description

The createDif function computes the difference between the maximum and minimum predictions in a dataset.

# Usage

```
createDif(x)
```

# **Arguments**

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Predictions vector

createLoss

Create Loss

# **Description**

Create Loss

# Usage

```
createLoss(pred, target)
```

# **Arguments**

pred A vector of predictions.
target A vector of target values.

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# **Description**

Creates a Testing object.

# Usage

```
createTesting(id, ind_col, verbose = TRUE)
```

# Arguments

id character

Testing id.

ind\_col character

Name of column of individuals IDs in testing data. frame.

verbose boolean

Warning messages will be displayed if set to TRUE.

#### Value

A Testing object.

createTestLayer createTestLayer

# **Description**

Creates and stores a TestLayer on the Testing object passed as argument.

# Usage

```
createTestLayer(testing, test_layer_id, test_data)
```

#### **Arguments**

testing Testing

Testing object where the created layer will be stored.

test\_layer\_id character

ID of the testing layer to be created.

 ${\sf test\_data} \qquad {\sf data.frame}$ 

Data modality to be stored in TestData.

#### Value

The updated Testing object (with the new layer) is returned.

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createTraining createTraining

# **Description**

Creates a Training object. A training object is designed to encapsulate training layers and training meta-layer. Functions createTrainLayer and createTrainMetaLayer are available to add the training layer and the training meta-layer to a training object.

# Usage

```
createTraining(
  id,
  target_df,
  ind_col,
  target,
  problem_type = "classification",
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

#### Arguments

id character

Training's ID.

target\_df data.frame

Observed target values. A data frame with two columns: individual IDs and

response variable values.

ind\_col character

Name of column of individuals IDs.

target

character

Name of the target variable.

problem\_type character

Either "classification" or "regression".

verbose boolea

Warning and processing information (including those of cross-validation) will

be displayed if set to TRUE.

#### Value

The created Training object is returned.

## See Also

createTrainLayer, createTrainMetaLayer and fusemlr.

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createTrainLayer

createTrainLayer

# Description

Creates and stores a TrainLayer on the Training object passed as argument. The main components of a training layer are training data modality, a variable selection methods, and a modality-specific learner.

# Usage

```
createTrainLayer(
  training,
  train_layer_id,
  train_data,
  varsel_package = NULL,
  varsel_fct = NULL,
  varsel_param = list(),
  lrner_package = NULL,
 lrn_fct,
 param_train_list = list(),
 param_pred_list = list(),
 na_action = "na.rm",
  x_varsel = "x",
 y_varsel = "y",
  x_1rn = x_1
 y_1rn = "y"
 object = "object",
 data = "data",
 extract_pred_fct = NULL,
  extract_var_fct = NULL
)
```

#### **Arguments**

training Training

Training object for storing the created layer.

train\_layer\_id character

ID of the TrainLayer to be created.

train\_data data.frame

Data modality to be stored on the layer.

varsel\_package character

Package name containing the variable selection algorithm function. Defaults to

NULL if the function exists in the current working environment.

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varsel\_fct character

Variable selection function name. Default value is NULL for no variable selection. If specified, the function must accept at least two parameters: x (predictors) and y (response values), and return a vector of selected variables. Alternatively, use the interface parameters x\_varsel and y\_varsel to map the original argument names, and extract\_var\_fct to specify how to extract the vector of selected variables. An exception is made for the Boruta function, which includes an internal adjustment and requires no additional modifications.

varsel\_param list

List of arguments to be passed to varsel\_fct.

lrner\_package character

Name of the package containing the learning algorithm function. Defaults to NULL if the function is available in the current working environment.

lrn\_fct characte

Name of the learning function. The function must accept at least two parameters: x (predictors) and y (response values) and return a model. Alternatively, use the interface parameters x\_lrn and y\_lrn to map these names to the original arguments in your function. The returned model must support the generic predict function (with arguments object and data) to generate predictions for new data. Predictions should be either a vector or a list containing a vector named predictions with the predicted values.

If the arguments object and data have different names in your predict function, use the interface parameters below to map them to the original names. Additionally, if predictions are stored as a matrix or data.frame (e.g., predicted probabilities for dichotomous classification), only the second column (assumed to be class 1 probabilities) will be used. If the predicted values are not returned in one of the formats mentioned above, use the extract\_pred\_fct argument below to specify how to extract the predicted values from the prediction object.

param\_train\_list

character

List of arguments to be passed to lrn\_fct.

param\_pred\_list

character

List of arguments to be passed to predict when generating predictions.

na\_action character

Handling of missing values in data during training. Set to "na.keep" to retain missing values, or "na.rm" to remove instances with missing values.

x\_varsel character

If the name of the argument used by the provided original variable selection function to pass the matrix of independent variable is not x, use this argument to specify how it is called in the provided function.

y\_varsel character

If the name of the argument used by the provided original variable selection function to pass the target variable is not y, use this argument to specify how it is called in the provided function.

x\_lrn character

If the name of the argument used by the provided original learning function to

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pass the matrix of independent variable is not x, use this argument to specify how it is called in the provided function.

y\_lrn character

If the name of the argument used by the provided original learning function to pass the target variable is not y, use this argument to specify how it is called in

the provided function.

object character

The generic function predict uses the parameter object to pass a model. If the corresponding argument is named differently in your predict function, specify its name.

data character

The generic function predict uses a parameter data to pass new data. If the corresponding argument is named differently in your predict function, specify

the name.

extract\_pred\_fct

character or function

If the predict function called for the model does not return a vector, use this argument to specify a function (or the name of a function) to extract the vector of predictions. The default value is NULL if predictions are returned as a vector.

extract\_var\_fct

character or function

If the variable selection function does not return a vector, use this argument to specify a function (or the name of a function) to extract the vector of selected variables.

#### Value

The updated Training object (with the new layer) is returned.

#### References

Fouodo C.J.K, Bleskina M. and Szymczak S. (2024). fuseMLR: An R package for integrative prediction modeling of multi-omics data, paper submitted.

#### See Also

createTrainMetaLayer and fusemlr.

createTrainMetaLayer createTrainMetaLayer

# **Description**

Creates and store a TrainMetaLayer on the Training object passed as argument. The meta-layer encapsulates the meta-learner and the fold predictions (internally created) of the layer-specific base models.

#### Usage

```
createTrainMetaLayer(
   training,
   meta_layer_id,
   lrner_package = NULL,
   lrn_fct,
   param_train_list = list(),
   na_action = "na.impute",
   x_lrn = "x",
   y_lrn = "y",
   object = "object",
   data = "data",
   extract_pred_fct = NULL
)
```

#### **Arguments**

training Training

Training object for storing the created meta-layer.

meta\_layer\_id character

ID of the layer to be created.

lrner\_package character

Package name containing the variable selection algorithm function. Defaults to NULL if the function exists in the current working environment.

lrn\_fct character

Name of the learning function. The function must accept at least two parameters: x (predictors) and y (response values), and return a model. If not, use the interface parameters x\_lrn and y\_lrn below to map these argument names to the original arguments in your function. The returned model must support the generic predict function (with arguments object and data) to make predictions for new data, and the predictions should be a vector or a list containing a vector called predictions with the predicted values. If the arguments object and data are named differently in your predict function, use the interface parameters object and data below to specify the original names. See the details below about meta-learners.

param\_train\_list

character

List of arguments to be passed to lrn\_fct.

param\_pred\_list

list

List of arguments to be passed to predict when computing predictions.

na\_action

character

Handling of missing values in modality-specific predictions during training. Set to "na.keep" to keep missing values, "na.rm" to remove individuals with missing values or "na.impute" to impute missing values in modality-specific predictions. Only median and mode based imputations are actually handled. With

the "na.keep" option, ensure that the provided meta-learner can handle missing

values.

x\_lrn character

If the argument name used by the provided original function to pass the matrix of independent variables is not x, use this argument to specify the name used in

the function.

y\_lrn character

If the argument name used by the provided original function to pass the target

variable is not y, use this argument to specify the name used in the function.

object character

The generic function predict uses a parameter object to pass a model. If the corresponding argument is named differently in your predict function, specify

the name.

data character

The generic function predict uses a parameter data to pass new data. If the corresponding argument is named differently in your predict function, specify

the name.

extract\_pred\_fct

character or function

If the predict function that is called for the model does not return a vector, then use this argument to specify a (or a name of a) function that can be used to extract vector of predictions. Defaults to NULL, if predictions are a vector.

#### **Details**

Internal meta-learners are available in the package.

The cobra meta-learner implements the COBRA (COmBined Regression Alternative), an aggregation method for combining predictions from multiple individual learners (Biau et al. 2014). This method aims to tune key parameters for achieving optimal predictions by averaging the target values of similar candidates in the training dataset's predictions. Only the training points that are sufficiently similar to the test point (based on the proximity threshold epsilon) are used for prediction. If no suitable training points are found, the function returns NA.

The weightedMeanLearner evaluates the prediction performance of modality-specific learners and uses these estimates to weight the base models, aggregating their predictions accordingly.

The bestLayerLearner evaluates the prediction performance of modality-specific learners and returns predictions made by the best learner as the meta-prediction.

Beyond the internal meta-learners, any other learning algorithm can be used.

# Value

The updated Training object (with the new layer) is returned.

#### References

Fouodo C.J.K, Bleskina M. and Szymczak S. (2024). fuseMLR: An R package for integrative prediction modeling of multi-omics data, paper submitted.

Biau, G., Fischer, A., Guedj, B., & Malley, J. D. (2014). COBRA: A combined regression strategy. The Journal of Multivariate Analysis 46:18-28

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# See Also

createTrainLayer, varSelection, and fusemlr.

createWeights	Create weights for COBRA Predictions	

# Description

The createWeights function is used to calculate weights for predictions.

# Usage

```
createWeights(train, test, n_train, n_test, nlearners, eps, alpha)
```

# Arguments

train test	A matrix representing the training data. Rows represent observations, and columns contain predictions from individual learners for these observations. In cases where a prediction is unavailable for a specific observation, NA is used.  A matrix representing the test data. Rows represent observations, and columns
	contain predictions from individual learners for these observations. In cases where a prediction is unavailable for a specific observation, NA is used.
n_train	An integer specifying the number of training observations.
n_test	An integer specifying the number of test observations.
nlearners	An integer representing the number of learners.
eps	A numeric value representing the threshold for proximity between two predictions.
alpha	A value that determines the optimal number of learners in the neighborhood (only for alpha optimization).
Data	Abstract class Data

# Description

As abstract, a Data object cannot be stored on any layer. Instead, extended TrainData or TestData objects can be stored on a layer.

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# Methods

```
Public methods:
```

Values of interest.

```
• Data$new()
  • Data$print()
  • Data$getIndSubset()
  • Data$impute()
  • Data$getVarSubset()
  • Data$getSetDiff()
  • Data$getDataFrame()
  • Data$setDataFrame()
  • Data$getCompleteData()
  • Data$getId()
  • Data$getData()
  • Data$getIndCol()
  • Data$clone()
Method new(): Constructor of class Data.
 Usage:
 Data$new(id, ind_col, data_frame)
 Arguments:
 id character
     Object ID.
 ind_col character
     Column name containing individual IDs.
 data_frame data.frame
     data. frame containing data.
Method print(): Printer
 Usage:
 Data$print(...)
 Arguments:
 ... any
Method getIndSubset(): Retrieve a data subset for a given variable name and values, a data
subset.
 Usage:
 Data$getIndSubset(var_name, value)
 Arguments:
 var_name character
     Variable name of interest.
 value vector
```

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Returns: The data subset is returned.

**Method** impute(): Imputes missing values in modality-specific predictions. Only mode and median based imputations are actually supported.

Usage:

Data\$impute(impute\_fct, impute\_param, target\_name)

Arguments:

impute\_fct character

An imputation function to use instead of median or mode imputation. Not yet implemented! impute\_param list

target\_name character

Name of the target variable. The list of parameters to call the imputation function.

Returns: A new object with the predicted values is returned.

Method getVarSubset(): Retrieve a subset of variables from data.

Usage:

Data\$getVarSubset(var\_name)

Arguments:

var\_name character

Variable names of interest.

Returns: The data subset is returned.

**Method** getSetDiff(): For the given variable name, non existing values in the current dataset are returned.

Usage:

Data\$getSetDiff(var\_name, value)

Arguments:

var name character

Variable name of interest.

value vector

Values of interest.

Returns: The subset difference is returned.

**Method** getDataFrame(): Getter of the data.frame.

Usage:

Data\$getDataFrame()

Returns: The data.frame of the current object is returned.

**Method** setDataFrame(): Set a new data. frame to the current object.

Usage:

Data\$setDataFrame(data\_frame)

Arguments:

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```
data_frame data.frame
 Returns: The current object is returned.
Method getCompleteData(): Getter of the complete dataset without missing values.
 Usage:
 Data$getCompleteData()
 Returns: The complete dataset is returned.
Method getId(): Getter of the current object ID.
 Usage:
 Data$getId()
 Returns: The current object ID is returned.
Method getData(): Getter of the current Data. This function is re-implemented by TrainData
and TestData.
 Usage:
 Data$getData()
 Returns: Do not use on this class.
Method getIndCol(): Getter of the individual column variable.
 Usage:
 Data$getIndCol()
Method clone(): The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.
 Usage:
 Data$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

## See Also

TrainData and TestData

deep Whether to make a deep clone.

Arguments:

extractData

extractData

# Description

Extracts data stored on each layers; base data and modality-specific predictions (for Training) are extracted.

#### Usage

```
extractData(object)
```

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# Arguments

object Training or Testing

The object of interest.

# Value

A list of data is returned.

extractModel

extractModel

# Description

Extracts models stored on each layers; base and meta models are extracted.

# Usage

extractModel(training)

## **Arguments**

training Training

The Training object of interest.

#### Value

A list of models is returned.

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#### **Description**

Trains the Training object passed as argument. A training object must contain the training layers and a training meta-layer. A training layer encapsulates data modalities, a variable selection method and a learner. Use the function createTraining to create a training object, createTrainLayer to add training layers to the created training object, and createTrainMetaLayer to add a meta-layer with the corresponding meta-learner to the training object. The function fusemlr is designed to train all training layers and the meta-learner. After training the layer-specific base models and the meta-model will be stored in the training object which can be used for predictions.

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#### Usage

```
fusemlr(
  training,
  ind_subset = NULL,
  use_var_sel = FALSE,
  resampling_method = NULL,
  resampling_arg = list(),
  seed = NULL
)
```

#### **Arguments**

training Training

Training object for storing training layers.

ind\_subset vector

ID subset to be used for training.

use\_var\_sel boolean

If TRUE and no variable selection has been performed for the provide training object, then a variable selection will proceed the training. Otherwise, if variable selection has been previously performed, the selected variables will be used for

training.

resampling\_method

function

Function for internal validation. If not specify, the resampling function from

the package caret is used for a 10-folds cross-validation.

resampling\_arg list

List of arguments to be passed to the function.

seed integer

Random seed used for resampling. Default is NULL, which generates the seed

from R.

#### Value

The current object is returned, with each learner trained on each layer.

## References

Fouodo C.J.K, Bleskina M. and Szymczak S. (2024). fuseMLR: An R package for integrative prediction modeling of multi-omics data, paper submitted.

#### See Also

createTrainLayer, createTrainMetaLayer, extractModel and extractData.

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HashTable

Class HashTable

# Description

Hashtable to contain object modalities. Storage objects like Training and TrainLayer are extensions of this class.

#### Methods

# **Public methods:**

```
• HashTable$new()
```

- HashTable\$print()
- HashTable\$add2HashTable()
- HashTable\$getFromHashTable()
- HashTable\$getKeyClass()
- HashTable\$removeFromHashTable()
- HashTable\$getId()
- HashTable\$getHashTable()
- HashTable\$checkClassExist()

```
Method new(): Initialize a default parameters list.
```

```
Usage:
HashTable$print(...)
Arguments:
... any
```

Method add2HashTable(): Function to add a key-value pair to the hash table.

```
Usage:
HashTable$add2HashTable(key, value, .class)
Arguments:
key character
    The key to be added.
value object
    Object to be added.
```

.class character

Class of the object to be added. **Method** getFromHashTable(): Getter of the object which the key passed as argument. Usage: HashTable\$getFromHashTable(key) Arguments: key character Key of the required object. Method getKeyClass(): Getter of the data.frame that stores all key class pairs. Usage: HashTable\$getKeyClass() Returns: data.frame Method removeFromHashTable(): Remove the object with the corresponding key from the hashtable. Usage: HashTable\$removeFromHashTable(key) Arguments: key Key of the object to be removed. **Method** getId(): Getter of the current object ID. Usage: HashTable\$getId() **Method** getHashTable(): Getter of the current hashtable. Usage: HashTable\$getHashTable() **Method** checkClassExist(): Check whether object from a class has already been stored. Usage: HashTable\$checkClassExist(.class) Arguments: .class character Returns: Boolean value

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Lrner

Lrner Class

# **Description**

This class implements a learner. A Lrner object can only exist as a component of a TrainLayer or a TrainMetaLayer object.

#### Methods

# **Public methods:**

```
• Lrner$new()
```

- Lrner\$print()
- Lrner\$summary()
- Lrner\$interface()
- Lrner\$train()
- Lrner\$getTrainLayer()
- Lrner\$getNaRm()
- Lrner\$getNaAction()
- Lrner\$getId()
- Lrner\$getPackage()
- Lrner\$getIndSubset()
- Lrner\$getVarSubset()
- Lrner\$getParamPred()
- Lrner\$getParamInterface()
- Lrner\$getExtractPred()

**Method** new(): Initialize a default parameters list.

```
Usage:
Lrner$new(
   id,
   package = NULL,
   lrn_fct,
   param_train_list,
   param_pred_list = list(),
   train_layer,
   na_action = "na.rm"
)
Arguments:
id character
   Learner ID.
package character
```

Package that implements the learn function. If NULL, the

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```
lrn_fct character
     learn function is called from the current environment.
 param_train_list list
     List of parameter for training.
 param_pred_list list
     List of parameter for testing. Learn parameters.
 train_layer TrainLayer
     Layer on which the learner is stored.
 na_action character
     Handling of missing values. Set to "na.keep" to keep missing values, "na.rm" to remove
     individuals with missing values or "na.impute" (only applicable on meta-data) to impute
     missing values in meta-data. Only median and mode based imputations are actually han-
     dled. With the "na.keep" option, ensure that the provided learner can handle missing values.
Method print(): Printer
 Usage:
 Lrner$print(...)
 Arguments:
 ... any
Method summary(): Printer
 Lrner$summary(...)
 Arguments:
 ... any
Method interface(): Learner and prediction parameter interface. Use this function to provide
how the following parameters are named in the learning function (1rn_fct) you provided when
creating the learner, or in the predicting function.
 Usage:
 Lrner$interface(
    x = "x"
    y = "y",
    object = "object",
    data = "data",
    extract_pred_fct = NULL
 )
 Arguments:
 x character
     Name of the argument to pass the matrix of independent variables in the original learning
     function.
 y character
     Name of the argument to pass the response variable in the original learning function.
```

Name of the argument to pass the model in the original predicting function.

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If the predict function that is called for the model does not return a vector, then use this argu-

Name of the argument to pass new data in the original predicting function.

data character

extract\_pred\_fct character or function

ment to specify a (or a name of a) function that can be used to extract vector of predictions. Default value is NULL, if predictions are in a vector. Method train(): Tains the current learner (from class Lrner) on the current training data (from class TrainData). Usage: Lrner\$train(ind\_subset = NULL, use\_var\_sel = FALSE, verbose = TRUE) Arguments: ind\_subset vector Individual ID subset on which the training will be performed. use\_var\_sel boolean If TRUE, variable selection is performed before training. verbose boolean Warning messages will be displayed if set to TRUE. Returns: The resulting model, from class Model, is returned. **Method** getTrainLayer(): The current layer is returned. Usage: Lrner\$getTrainLayer() Returns: TrainLayer object. **Method** getNaRm(): The current layer is returned. Usage: Lrner\$getNaRm() **Method** getNaAction(): The current layer is returned. Usage: Lrner\$getNaAction() **Method** getId(): Getter of the current learner ID. Usage: Lrner\$getId() Returns: The current learner ID. **Method** getPackage(): Getter of the learner package implementing the learn function. Usage: Lrner\$getPackage() Returns: The name of the package implementing the learn function. **Method** getIndSubset(): Getter of the learner package implementing the learn function.

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Usage:

Lrner\$getIndSubset()

*Returns:* The name of the package implementing the learn function.

**Method** getVarSubset(): Getter of the variable subset used for training.

Usage:

Lrner\$getVarSubset()

Returns: The list of variables used for training is returned.

Method getParamPred(): Getter predicting parameter list.

Usage:

Lrner\$getParamPred()

Returns: The list of predicting parameters.

**Method** getParamInterface(): The current parameter interface is returned.

Usage:

Lrner\$getParamInterface()

Returns: A data.frame of interface.

**Method** getExtractPred(): The function to extract predicted values is returned.

Usage:

Lrner\$getExtractPred()

Returns: A data.frame of interface.

Model

Model Class

# Description

This class implements a model. A Model object can only exist as element of a TrainLayer or a TrainMetaLayer object. A Model object is automatically created by fitting a learner on a training data.

A Model object can compute predictions for a TestData object. See the predict function below.

#### Methods

#### **Public methods:**

- Model\$new()
- Model\$print()
- Model\$summary()
- Model\$getBaseModel()
- Model\$getTrainData()
- Model\$getTrainLabel()

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```
• Model$getLrner()
  • Model$setId()
  • Model$predict()
  • Model$clone()
Method new(): Constructor of Model class.
 Model$new(lrner, train_data, base_model, train_layer)
 Arguments:
 1rner Lrner
     The learner.
 train_data TrainData(1)
     Training data.
 base_model object
     Base model as returned by the original learn function.
 train_layer TrainLayer
     The current training layer on which the model is stored.
 Returns: An object is returned.
Method print(): Printer
 Usage:
 Model$print(...)
 Arguments:
 ... any
Method summary(): Summary
 Usage:
 Model$summary(...)
 Arguments:
 ... any
Method getBaseModel(): Getter of the base model
 Usage:
 Model$getBaseModel()
Method getTrainData(): Getter of the traning data
 Usage:
 Model$getTrainData()
Method getTrainLabel(): Getter of the individual ID column in the training data.
 Model$getTrainLabel()
 Arguments:
```

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```
... any
   Method getLrner(): Getter of the learner use to fit the model.
     Model$getLrner()
   Method setId(): Setter of the model ID.
     Usage:
     Model$setId(id)
     Arguments:
     id character
         ID value
   Method predict(): Predict target values for the new data (from class TestData) taken as into.
     Usage:
     Model$predict(testing_data, use_var_sel, ind_subset = NULL)
     Arguments:
     testing_data TestData
         An object from class TestData.
     use_var_sel boolean
         If TRUE, selected variables available at each layer are used.
     ind_subset vector
         Subset of individual IDs to be predicted.
     ... Further parameters to be passed to the basic predict function.
     Returns: The predicted object are returned. The predicted object must be either a vector or a
     list containing a field predictions with predictions.
   Method clone(): The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.
     Usage:
     Model$clone(deep = FALSE)
     Arguments:
     deep Whether to make a deep clone.
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                          Simulated multiomics data for 70 training participants and 23 testing
                          participants, each with an effect size of 20 on each layer. Each layer
                          includes 50 participants for training and 20 for testing. Participants
```

#### **Description**

The dataset is a list containing training and testing data, called training and testing respectively. Each data is a list containing the following multi\_omics at each layer.

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do not perfectly overlap across layers. The simulation is based on the

#### Usage

```
data(multi_omics)
```

#### **Format**

A list with training and testing data containing methylation, gene expressions and protein expressions data.

#### **Details**

- methylation: A data. frame containing the simulated methylation dataset.
- genexpr: A data.frame containing the gene expression dataset.
- proteinexpr: A data.frame containing the protein expression dataset.
- target: A data. frame with two columns, containing patient IDs and values of target variable.

```
predict.bestLayerLearner
```

Best specific Learner prediction.

# **Description**

Predict function for models from class bestLayerLearner.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'bestLayerLearner'
predict(object, data, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

object bestLayerLearner

An object from class bestLayerLearner

data data.frame

New data to predicted.

... any

Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

#### Value

Predicted target values are returned.

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#### **Examples**

```
set.seed(20240625)
x = data.frame(x1 = runif(n = 50L, min = 0, max = 1))
y <- sample(x = 0:1, size = 50L, replace = TRUE)
my_model <- bestLayerLearner(x = x, y = y)
x_new <- data.frame(x1 = rnorm(10L))
my_predictions <- predict(object = my_model, data = x_new)</pre>
```

predict.cobra

Predict Using COBRA object

## **Description**

#' The predict.cobra function makes predictions on new data using a trained COBRA object.

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'cobra'
predict(object, data, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

object An object of class "cobra" created by the cobra function.

data A data.frame of new data, where rows are observations and columns are pre-

dictions from individual learners. Use NA for missing predictions.

... Additional arguments (currently not used).

#### Value

A vector of predictions for the new data.

# **Examples**

```
# Example usage
set.seed(123)
x_train <- data.frame(a = rnorm(10L), b = rnorm(10L))
y_train <- sample(0L:1L, size = 10L, replace = TRUE)

# Train the model with epsilon optimization
cobra_model <- cobra(x = x_train, y = y_train, tune = "epsilon")

# Make predictions on new data
set.seed(156)
x_new <- data.frame(a = rnorm(5L), b = rnorm(5L))
prediction <- predict(object = cobra_model, data = x_new)</pre>
```

# **Description**

Computes predictions for the Testing object passed as argument.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'Training'
predict(object, testing, ind_subset = NULL, ...)
```

# Arguments

object Training

A trained Training object to be used to compute predictions.

testing Testing

A new testing object to be predicted.

ind\_subset vector

Vector of IDs to be predicted.

... any

Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

#### Value

The final predicted object. All layers and the meta layer are predicted.

```
predict.weightedMeanLearner
```

Weighted mean prediction.

# Description

Predict function for models from class weightedMeanLearner.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'weightedMeanLearner'
predict(object, data, na_rm = FALSE, ...)
```

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# **Arguments**

object weightedMeanLearner(1)
An object from class weightedMeanLearner

data data.frame
data.frame to be predicted.

na\_rm boolean
Removes NAs when TRUE.
... any
Further arguments.

#### Value

Predicted target values are returned.

# **Examples**

```
set.seed(20240625)
x <- data.frame(x1 = rnorm(50L))
y <- sample(x = 0:1, size = 50L, replace = TRUE)
my_model <- weightedMeanLearner(x = x, y = y)
x_new <- data.frame(x1 = rnorm(10L))
my_predictions <- predict(object = my_model, data = x_new)</pre>
```

PredictData

PredictData Class

# Description

This class implements PredictData object to be predicted. A PredictData object can only exist as a component of a PredictLayer or a PredictMetaLayer object.

#### Super class

```
fuseMLR::Data -> PredictData
```

# Methods

# **Public methods:**

- PredictData\$new()
- PredictData\$print()
- PredictData\$getPredictData()
- PredictData\$getPredictLayer()
- PredictData\$setPredictLayer()
- PredictData\$clone()

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```
Method new(): Initialize a new object from the current class.
 Usage:
 PredictData$new(id, ind_col, data_frame)
 Arguments:
 id character
     Object ID.
 ind_col character
     Column name containing individual IDs.
 data frame data.frame
     data. frame containing data.
Method print(): Printer
 Usage:
 PredictData$print(...)
 Arguments:
 ... any
Method getPredictData(): Getter of the current predicted data.frame wihtout individual ID
variable.
 Usage:
 PredictData$getPredictData()
 Returns: The data.frame without individual ID nor target variables is returned.
Method getPredictLayer(): Getter of the current layer.
 Usage:
 PredictData$getPredictLayer()
           The layer (from class PredictLayer) on which the current train data are stored is
 returned.
Method setPredictLayer(): Assigns a predicted layer to the predicted data.
 PredictData$setPredictLayer(predict_layer)
 Arguments:
 predict_layer PredictLayer(1)
 Returns: The current object
Method clone(): The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.
 PredictData$clone(deep = FALSE)
 Arguments:
 deep Whether to make a deep clone.
```

#### See Also

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Predicting Class

# **Description**

This class is designed for predictions.

The Predicting is structured as followed:

- PredictLayer: Exists for each modality.
  - PredictData: Related class for modality-specific predictions.
- PredictMetaLayer: Related class for meta predictions.
  - PredictData: Specific to the meta layer, it is set up internally after cross-validation.

Use the function train for training and predict for predicting.

TODO: Do not export me.

# Super class

```
fuseMLR::HashTable -> Predicting
```

#### Methods

#### **Public methods:**

```
• Predicting$new()
```

- Predicting\$print()
- Predicting\$createMetaTestData()
- Predicting\$getIndIDs()
- Predicting\$getPredictMetaLayer()
- Predicting\$getIndCol()

```
Method new(): constructor
```

```
Usage:
Predicting$new(id, ind_col)
Arguments:
id character
    Predicting id.
```

ind\_col character Name of column of individuals IDS

```
Method print(): Printer
  Usage:
  Predicting$print(...)
  Arguments:
    ... any
```

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**Method** createMetaTestData(): Creates a new modality-specific predictions dataset based on layer predictions.

Usage:

Predicting\$createMetaTestData(meta\_layer\_id)

Arguments:

meta\_layer\_id (character(1))

ID of the meta layer where the testing meta data will be stored.

Returns: A TestData is returned.

Method getIndIDs(): Gather individual IDs from all layer.

Usage:

Predicting\$getIndIDs()

Returns: A data. frame containing individuals IDs.

**Method** getPredictMetaLayer(): Getter of the meta layer.

Usage:

Predicting\$getPredictMetaLayer()

Returns: Object from class PredictMetaLayer

**Method** getIndCol(): Getter of the individual column name.

Usage:

Predicting\$getIndCol()

# See Also

TrainLayer

PredictLayer

PredictLayer Class

# Description

This class implements a layer. A PredictLayer object can only exist as a component of a Predicting object.

A predicted layer can only contain PredictData.

#### Super class

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# Methods

```
Public methods:
```

```
• PredictLayer$new()
  • PredictLayer$print()
  • PredictLayer$getPredicting()
  • PredictLayer$getIndIDs()
  • PredictLayer$getPredictData()
  • PredictLayer$setPredicting()
  • PredictLayer$summary()
Method new(): constructor
 Usage:
 PredictLayer$new(id)
 Arguments:
 id character
     The layer ID.
Method print(): Printer
 Usage:
 PredictLayer$print(...)
 Arguments:
 ... any
Method getPredicting(): Getter of the current predicting object
 PredictLayer$getPredicting()
 Returns: The current predicting object is returned.
Method getIndIDs(): Getter of IDS from the current layer.
 Usage:
 PredictLayer$getIndIDs()
 Returns: A data.frame containing individuals IDs values.
Method getPredictData(): Getter of the predicted data stored on the current layer.
 Usage:
 PredictLayer$getPredictData()
 Returns: The stored PredictData object is returned.
Method setPredicting(): Assigns a predicting object to the predicted layer.
 PredictLayer$setPredicting(predicting)
 Arguments:
```

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```
predicting Predicting
```

Returns: The current object

**Method** summary(): Generate summary.

Usage:

PredictLayer\$summary()

#### See Also

Training, Lrner, TrainData, TestData and Model

PredictMetaLayer

PredictMetaLayer Class

# Description

This class implement a predicted meta layer. A PredictMetaLayer can only exist as unique element of a Training object.

A predicted meta layer can only contain a PredictData object.

# Super class

fuseMLR::HashTable -> PredictMetaLayer

#### Methods

#### **Public methods:**

- PredictMetaLayer\$new()
- PredictMetaLayer\$print()
- PredictMetaLayer\$getPredicting()
- PredictMetaLayer\$getIndIDs()
- PredictMetaLayer\$getPredictData()
- PredictMetaLayer\$openAccess()
- PredictMetaLayer\$closeAccess()
- PredictMetaLayer\$getAccess()

# Method new(): constructor

Usage:

PredictMetaLayer\$new(id, predicting)

Arguments:

id character

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```
predicting Predicting
Method print(): Printer
 Usage:
 PredictMetaLayer$print(...)
 Arguments:
 ... any
Method getPredicting(): Getter of the current predicting object
 Usage:
 PredictMetaLayer$getPredicting()
 Returns: The current predicting object is returned.
Method getIndIDs(): Getter of IDS from the current layer.
 Usage:
 PredictMetaLayer$getIndIDs()
 Returns: A data. frame containing individuals IDs values.
Method getPredictData(): Getter of the predicted data.
 Usage:
 PredictMetaLayer$getPredictData()
 Returns: The stored PredictData object is returned.
Method openAccess(): Open access to the meta layer. A meta learner is only modifiable if the
access is opened.
 Usage:
 PredictMetaLayer$openAccess()
Method closeAccess(): Close access to the meta layer to avoid accidental modification.
 Usage:
 PredictMetaLayer$closeAccess()
Method getAccess(): Getter of the current access to the meta layer.
 Usage:
 PredictMetaLayer$getAccess()
```

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summary.Testing

Testing object Summaries

# Description

Summaries a fuseMLR Testing object.

# Usage

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

# Arguments

object Testing

The Testing object of interest.

... any

Further arguments.

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Training object Summaries

# Description

Summaries a fuseMLR Training object.

## Usage

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

# Arguments

object Training

The Training object of interest.

... any

Further arguments.

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Target

Target Class

# Description

This class implements the target object. A Target object can only exist as a component of a Training object.

# Super class

```
fuseMLR::Data -> Target
```

# Methods

## **Public methods:**

- Target\$new()
- Target\$print()
- Target\$summary()
- Target\$getData()
- Target\$getTargetValues()
- Target\$getTargetName()
- Target\$getTraining()
- Target\$setData()
- Target\$clone()

Method new(): Initialize a new object from the current class.

```
Usage:
Target$new(id, data_frame, training)
Arguments:
id character
   The Object ID.
data_frame data.frame
   data.frame containing data.
training Training
   Training where to store the current object.
```

```
Method print(): Printer
Usage:
Target$print(...)
Arguments:
```

... any

Method summary(): Summary

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```
Usage:
 Target$summary(...)
 Arguments:
 ... any
Method getData(): Getter of the current data. frame without individual ID nor target variables.
 Usage:
 Target$getData()
 Returns: The data.frame without individual ID nor target variables is returned.
Method getTargetValues(): Getter of target values stored on the current training layer.
 Usage:
 Target$getTargetValues()
 Returns: The observed target values stored on the current training layer are returned.
Method getTargetName(): Getter of the target variable name.
 Usage:
 Target$getTargetName()
Method getTraining(): Getter of the current training object.
 Usage:
 Target$getTraining()
 Returns: The training layer (from class Training) on which the current train data are stored is
 returned.
Method setData(): Getter of the current data. frame without individual ID nor target variables.
 Usage:
 Target$setData(data_frame)
 Arguments:
 data_frame data.frame
     data.frame to be set.
     Title
Method clone(): The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.
 Usage:
 Target$clone(deep = FALSE)
 Arguments:
 deep Whether to make a deep clone.
```

#### See Also

TrainLayer, Lrner, Model, TestData

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TestData

TestData Class

## **Description**

This class implements TestData object to be predicted. A TestData object can only exist as a component of a TestLayer or a TestMetaLayer object.

## Super class

```
fuseMLR::Data -> TestData
```

## Methods

## **Public methods:**

- TestData\$new()
- TestData\$print()
- TestData\$getData()
- TestData\$getTestLayer()
- TestData\$clone()

**Method** new(): Initialize a new object from the current class.

```
Usage:
TestData$new(id, data_frame, new_layer)
Arguments:
id character
Object ID.
data_frame data.frame
data.frame containing data.
new_layer TestLayer
Layer where to store the current object.
ind_col character
Column name containing individual IDs.

Method print(): Printer
```

```
Usage:
TestData$print(...)
Arguments:
```

**Method** getData(): Getter of the current data. frame wihtout individual ID variable.

```
Usage:
TestData$getData()
```

... any

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*Returns:* The data.frame without individual ID nor target variables is returned.

**Method** getTestLayer(): Getter of the current layer.

Usage:

TestData\$getTestLayer()

Returns: The layer (from class TestLayer) on which the current train data are stored is returned.

**Method** clone(): The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

Usage:

TestData\$clone(deep = FALSE)

Arguments:

deep Whether to make a deep clone.

## See Also

TrainData

Testing

Testing Class

# Description

This is a primary classes of fuseMLR. An object from this class is designed to contain multiple layers, but only one new meta layer.

A Testing object is structured as followed:

- TestLayer
- TestMetaLayer

## Super class

fuseMLR::HashTable -> Testing

## Methods

## **Public methods:**

- Testing\$new()
- Testing\$print()
- Testing\$getIndIDs()
- Testing\$getTestMetaLayer()
- Testing\$getIndCol()
- Testing\$getVerbose()
- Testing\$getData()
- Testing\$upset()

• Testing\$summary()

```
Method new(): constructor
 Usage:
 Testing$new(id, ind_col, verbose = TRUE)
 Arguments:
 id character
     Testing id.
 ind_col character Name of column of individuals IDS in testing data.frame.
 verbose boolean
     Warning messages will be displayed if set to TRUE.
Method print(): Printer
 Usage:
 Testing$print(...)
 Arguments:
 ... any
Method getIndIDs(): Gather individual IDs from all layer.
 Usage:
 Testing$getIndIDs()
 Returns: A data. frame containing individuals IDs.
Method getTestMetaLayer(): Getter of the meta layer.
 Usage:
 Testing$getTestMetaLayer()
 Returns: Object from class TestMetaLayer
Method getIndCol(): Getter of the individual column name.
 Usage:
 Testing$getIndCol()
Method getVerbose(): Getter of the verbose setting.
 Usage:
 Testing$getVerbose()
Method getData(): Retrieve modality-specific prediction data.
 Usage:
 Testing$getData()
 Returns: A list containing all (base and meta) models.
Method upset(): UpSet plot to show an overview of the overlap of individuals across various
layers.
 Usage:
```

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```
Testing$upset(...)

Arguments:
... any
Further parameters to be passed to the the upset function from package UpSetR.

Method summary(): Generate testing summary

Usage:
Testing$summary()
```

#### See Also

TrainLayer

TestLayer

TestLayer Class

# Description

This class implements a layer. A TestLayer object can only exist as a component of a Predicting object.

A predicted layer can only contain TestData.

## Super class

```
fuseMLR::HashTable -> TestLayer
```

## Methods

## **Public methods:**

- TestLayer\$new()
- TestLayer\$print()
- TestLayer\$getTesting()
- TestLayer\$getIndIDs()
- TestLayer\$getTestData()
- TestLayer\$checkTestDataExist()
- TestLayer\$summary()

```
Method new(): constructor
  Usage:
  TestLayer$new(id, testing)
  Arguments:
  id character
    Testing layer id.
```

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```
Method print(): Printer
 Usage:
 TestLayer$print(...)
 Arguments:
 ... any
Method getTesting(): Getter of the current Testing object.
 Usage:
 TestLayer$getTesting()
 Returns: The current Testing object is returned.
Method getIndIDs(): Getter of IDS from the current layer.
 Usage:
 TestLayer$getIndIDs()
 Returns: A data.frame containing individuals IDs values.
Method getTestData(): Getter of the predicted data stored on the current layer.
 Usage:
 TestLayer$getTestData()
 Returns: The stored TestData object is returned.
Method checkTestDataExist(): Check whether a new data has been already stored.
 Usage:
 TestLayer$checkTestDataExist()
 Returns: Boolean value
Method summary(): Generate summary.
 Usage:
 TestLayer$summary()
```

#### See Also

Training, Lrner, TrainData, TestData and Model

TestMetaLayer

TestMetaLayer

TestMetaLayer Class

## **Description**

This class implement a predicted meta layer. A TestMetaLayer can only exist as unique element of a Training object.

A predicted meta layer can only contain a TestData object.

## Super class

```
fuseMLR::HashTable -> TestMetaLayer
```

#### Methods

## **Public methods:**

- TestMetaLayer\$new()
- TestMetaLayer\$print()
- TestMetaLayer\$getTesting()
- TestMetaLayer\$getTestData()
- TestMetaLayer\$openAccess()
- TestMetaLayer\$closeAccess()
- TestMetaLayer\$getAccess()
- TestMetaLayer\$setTestData()
- TestMetaLayer\$checkTestDataExist()

```
Method new(): constructor
  Usage:
  TestMetaLayer$new(id, testing)
  Arguments:
  id character
    Testing meta-layer id.
  testing Testing

Method print(): Printer
  Usage:
```

```
Usage:
TestMetaLayer$print(...)
Arguments:
... any
```

**Method** getTesting(): Getter of the current testing object.

Usage:

```
TestMetaLayer$getTesting()
 Returns: The current testing object is returned.
Method getTestData(): Getter of the training dataset stored on the current layer.
 Usage:
 TestMetaLayer$getTestData()
 Returns: The stored TestData object is returned.
Method openAccess(): Open access to the meta layer. A meta learner is only modifiable if the
access is opened.
 Usage:
 TestMetaLayer$openAccess()
Method closeAccess(): Close access to the meta layer to avoid accidental modification.
 Usage:
 TestMetaLayer$closeAccess()
Method getAccess(): Getter of the current access to the meta layer.
 Usage:
 TestMetaLayer$getAccess()
Method setTestData(): Create and set an TestData object to the current new meta learner.
 Usage:
 TestMetaLayer$setTestData(id, ind_col, data_frame)
 Arguments:
 id character(1)
     ID of the TestData object to be instanciated.
 ind_col character(1)
     Name of individual column IDs.
 data_frame data.frame(1)
     data. frame of layer specific predictions.
Method checkTestDataExist(): Check whether a new data has been already stored.
 Usage:
 TestMetaLayer$checkTestDataExist()
 Returns: Boolean value
```

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TrainData

TrainData Class

## **Description**

This class implements the training data. A TrainData object can only exist as a component of a TrainLayer or a TrainMetaLayer object.

## Super class

```
fuseMLR::Data -> TrainData
```

## Methods

## **Public methods:**

- TrainData\$new()
- TrainData\$print()
- TrainData\$summary()
- TrainData\$getData()
- TrainData\$getTargetValues()
- TrainData\$getTargetName()
- TrainData\$getTrainLayer()
- TrainData\$getTestLayer()
- TrainData\$setDataFrame()
- TrainData\$clone()

**Method** new(): Initialize a new object from the current class.

```
Usage:
TrainData$new(id, data_frame, train_layer)
Arguments:
id character
    The Object ID.
data_frame data.frame
    data.frame containing data.
train_layer TrainLayer
    Training layer where to store the current object.
```

```
Method print(): Printer
  Usage:
  TrainData$print(...)
  Arguments:
  ... any
```

Method summary(): Summary

```
Usage:
 TrainData$summary(...)
 Arguments:
 ... any
Method getData(): Getter of the current data. frame without individual ID nor target variables.
 TrainData$getData()
 Returns: The data.frame without individual ID nor target variables is returned.
Method getTargetValues(): Getter of target values stored on the current training layer.
 Usage:
 TrainData$getTargetValues()
 Returns: The observed target values stored on the current training layer are returned.
Method getTargetName(): Getter of the target variable name.
 Usage:
 TrainData$getTargetName()
Method getTrainLayer(): Getter of the current training layer.
 TrainData$getTrainLayer()
 Returns: The training layer (from class TrainLayer) on which the current train data are stored
 is returned.
Method getTestLayer(): Getter of the current layer.
 Usage:
 TrainData$getTestLayer()
 Returns: The layer (from class TestLayer) on which the current train data are stored is returned.
Method setDataFrame(): Set a new data.frame to the current object.
 Usage:
 TrainData$setDataFrame(data_frame)
 Arguments:
 data_frame data.frame
 Returns: The current object is returned.
Method clone(): The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.
 Usage:
 TrainData$clone(deep = FALSE)
 Arguments:
 deep Whether to make a deep clone.
```

## See Also

TrainLayer, Lrner, Model, TestData

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Training Class

## Description

This is a primary classes of fuseMLR. An object from this class is designed to contain multiple training layers, but only one meta training layer.

The Training class is structured as followed:

- TrainLayer: Specific layer containing:
  - Lrner: Specific learner. This must be set by the user.
  - TrainData: Specific training dataset. This must be set up by the user.
  - Model: Specific model. This is set up by training the learner on the training data.
- TrainMetaLayer: Basically a TrainLayer, but with some specific properties.
  - Lrner: This is the meta learner, it must be set up by the user.
  - TrainData: Specific modality-specific prediction data. This is set up internally after cross-validation.
  - Model: Specific meta model. This is set up by training the learner on the training data.

Use the function train for training and predict for predicting.

## Super class

fuseMLR:: HashTable -> Training

#### Methods

#### **Public methods:**

- Training\$new()
- Training\$print()
- Training\$trainLayer()
- Training\$predictLayer()
- Training\$createMetaTrainData()
- Training\$train()
- Training\$predict()
- Training\$varSelection()
- Training\$getTargetValues()
- Training\$getIndIDs()
- Training\$getLayer()
- Training\$getTrainMetaLayer()
- Training\$getModel()
- Training\$getData()
- Training\$removeLayer()

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• Training$removeTrainMetaLayer()
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  • Training$getTarget()
  • Training$getVerbose()
  • Training$getUseVarSel()
  • Training$getVarSelDone()
  • Training$increaseNbTrainedLayer()
  • Training$checkTargetExist()
  • Training$getTargetObj()
  • Training$getProblemTyp()
  • Training$setImpute()
  • Training$testOverlap()
  • Training$upset()
  • Training$summary()
Method new(): constructor
 Usage:
 Training$new(
   id,
   ind_col,
   target,
   target_df,
   problem_type = "classification",
   verbose = TRUE
 )
 Arguments:
 id character
 ind_col character
     Name of column of individuals IDS.
 target character
     Name of the target variable.
 target_df data.frame
     Data frame with two columns: individual IDs and response variable values.
 problem_type character
     Either "classification" or "regression".
 verbose boolean
     Warning messages will be displayed if set to TRUE.
Method print(): Printer
 Usage:
 Training$print(...)
 Arguments:
 ... any
```

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Method trainLayer(): Train each layer of the current Training.
 Training$trainLayer(ind_subset = NULL, use_var_sel = FALSE, verbose = TRUE)
 Arguments:
 ind_subset character
     Subset of individuals IDs to be used for training.
 use_var_sel boolean
     If TRUE, selected variables available at each layer are used.
 verbose boolean
     Warning messages will be displayed if set to TRUE.
 Returns: Returns the object itself, with a model for each layer.
Method predictLayer(): Predicts values given new data.
 Usage:
 Training$predictLayer(testing, ind_subset = NULL)
 Arguments:
 testing TestData
     Object of class TestData.
 ind_subset vector
     Subset of individuals IDs to be used for training.
 Returns: A new Training with predicted values for each layer.
Method createMetaTrainData(): Creates a meta training dataset and assigns it to the meta
layer.
 Usage:
 Training$createMetaTrainData(
    resampling_method,
    resampling_arg,
    use_var_sel,
    impute = TRUE
 Arguments:
 resampling_method function
     Function for internal validation.
 resampling_arg list
     List of arguments to be passed to the function.
 use_var_sel boolean
     If TRUE, selected variables available at each layer are used.
 impute boolean
     If TRUE, mode or median based imputation is performed on the modality-specific predic-
     tions.
 Returns: The current object is returned, with a meta training dataset assigned to the meta layer.
```

Method train(): Trains the current object. All leaners and the meta learner are trained.

```
Usage:
 Training$train(
    ind_subset = NULL,
   use_var_sel = FALSE,
   resampling_method = NULL,
   resampling_arg = list(),
    seed = NULL
 )
 Arguments:
 ind_subset vector
     ID subset to be used for training.
 use_var_sel boolean
     If TRUE, variable selection is performed before training.
 resampling_method function
     Function for internal validation. If not specify, the resampling function from the package
     caret is used for a 10-folds cross-validation.
 resampling_arg list
     List of arguments to be passed to the function.
 seed integer
     Random seed. Default is NULL, which generates the seed from R.
 Returns: The current object is returned, with each learner trained on each layer.
Method predict(): Compute predictions for a testing object.
 Usage:
 Training$predict(testing, ind_subset = NULL)
 Arguments:
 testing Testing
     A new testing object to be predicted.
 ind_subset vector
     Vector of IDs to be predicted.
 Returns: The predicted object. All layers and the meta layer are predicted. This is the final
 predicted object.
Method varSelection(): Variable selection on the current training object.
 Usage:
 Training$varSelection(ind_subset = NULL, verbose = TRUE)
 Arguments:
 ind_subset vector
     ID subset of individuals to be used for variable selection.
 verbose boolean
     Warning messages will be displayed if set to TRUE.
 Returns: The current layer is returned with the resulting model.
```

**Method** getTargetValues(): Gather target values from all layer.

```
Usage:
 Training$getTargetValues()
 Returns: A data. frame containing individuals IDs and corresponding target values.
Method getIndIDs(): Gather individual IDs from all layer.
 Usage:
 Training$getIndIDs()
 Returns: A data. frame containing individuals IDs.
Method getLayer(): Get a layer of a given ID.
 Usage:
 Training$getLayer(id)
 Arguments:
 id character
     The ID of the layer to be returned.
 Returns: The TrainLayer object is returned for the given ID.
Method getTrainMetaLayer(): Getter of the meta layer.
 Training$getTrainMetaLayer()
 Returns: Object from class TrainMetaLayer
Method getModel(): Retrieve models from all layer.
 Usage:
 Training$getModel()
 Returns: A list containing all (base and meta) models.
Method getData(): Retrieve modality-specific predictions.
 Usage:
 Training$getData()
 Returns: A list containing all (base and meta) models.
Method removeLayer(): Remove a layer of a given ID.
 Usage:
 Training$removeLayer(id)
 Arguments:
 id character
     The ID of the layer to be removed.
 Returns: The TrainLayer object is returned for the given ID.
Method removeTrainMetaLayer(): Remove the meta layer from the current Training object.
 Usage:
 Training$removeTrainMetaLayer()
```

**Method** getIndCol(): Getter of the individual column name. Training\$getIndCol() **Method** getTarget(): Getter of the target variable name. Usage: Training\$getTarget() **Method** getVerbose(): Getter of the verbose setting. Usage: Training\$getVerbose() **Method** getUseVarSel(): Getter of the use\_var\_sel field. Training\$getUseVarSel() **Method** getVarSelDone(): Getter of the use\_var\_sel field. Usage: Training\$getVarSelDone() **Method** increaseNbTrainedLayer(): Increase the number of trained layer. Usage: Training\$increaseNbTrainedLayer() Method checkTargetExist(): Check whether a target object has already been stored. Usage: Training\$checkTargetExist() Returns: Boolean value **Method** getTargetObj(): Getter of the target object. Usage: Training\$getTargetObj() **Method** getProblemTyp(): Getter of the problem type. Usage: Training\$getProblemTyp() **Method** setImpute(): Set imputation action na.action. Usage: Training\$setImpute(impute) Arguments: impute character How to handle missing values.

**Method** testOverlap(): Test that individuals overlap over layers. At least five individuals must overlapped.

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```
Usage:
```

Training\$testOverlap()

**Method** upset(): UpSet plot to show an overview of the overlap of individuals across various layers.

```
Usage:
Training$upset(...)
Arguments:
```

Further parameters to be passed to the upset function from package UpSetR.

Method summary(): Generate training summary

Usage.

... any

Training\$summary()

## See Also

TrainLayer

Testing and Predicting

TrainLayer

TrainLayer Class

## **Description**

This class implements a training layer. A TrainLayer object can only exist as a component of a Training object.

A training layer is structured as followed:

- TrainData: Data to be used to train the learner.
- Lrner: Includes a learning function and the package implementing the function.
- Model: The result of training the learner on the training data.
- VarSel: Includes a variable selection function and the package implementing the function.

A training layer can train its learner on its training data and store the resulting model. See the public function Layer\$train() below.

A training layer can make predictions for a new layer passed as argument to its predict function. See the public function Layer\$predict() below.

# Super class

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## Methods

#### **Public methods:**

```
• TrainLayer$new()
```

- TrainLayer\$print()
- TrainLayer\$getTraining()
- TrainLayer\$getTargetObj()
- TrainLayer\$train()
- TrainLayer\$varSelection()
- TrainLayer\$predict()
- TrainLayer\$getTrainData()
- TrainLayer\$getTargetValues()
- TrainLayer\$getIndIDs()
- TrainLayer\$getTestData()
- TrainLayer\$getLrner()
- TrainLayer\$getVarSel()
- TrainLayer\$getModel()
- TrainLayer\$checkLrnerExist()
- TrainLayer\$checkModelExist()
- TrainLayer\$checkVarSelExist()
- TrainLayer\$checkTrainDataExist()
- TrainLayer\$summary()

```
Method new(): constructor
```

```
Usage:
```

TrainLayer\$new(id, training)

Arguments:

id character

Training layer id.

training Training

# Method print(): Printer

Usage:

TrainLayer\$print(...)

Arguments:

... any

**Method** getTraining(): Getter of the current training object.

Usage.

TrainLayer\$getTraining()

Returns: The current training object is returned.

**Method** getTargetObj(): Getter of the target object.

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```
Usage:
 TrainLayer$getTargetObj()
Method train(): Trains the current layer.
 Usage:
 TrainLayer$train(ind_subset = NULL, use_var_sel = FALSE, verbose = TRUE)
 Arguments:
 ind_subset vector
     ID subset of individuals to be used for training.
 use_var_sel boolean
     If TRUE, variable selection is performed before training.
 verbose boolean
     Warning messages will be displayed if set to TRUE.
 Returns: The current layer is returned with the resulting model.
Method varSelection(): Variable selection on the current layer.
 Usage:
 TrainLayer$varSelection(ind_subset = NULL, verbose = TRUE)
 Arguments:
 ind_subset vector
     ID subset of individuals to be used for variable selection.
 verbose boolean
     Warning messages will be displayed if set to TRUE.
 Returns: The current layer is returned with the resulting model.
Method predict(): Predicts values for the new layer taking as argument.
 Usage:
 TrainLayer$predict(new_layer, use_var_sel, ind_subset = NULL)
 Arguments:
 new_layer TrainLayer
 use_var_sel boolean
     If TRUE, selected variables available at each layer are used.
 ind_subset vector
 Returns: A new PredictLayer object with the predicted data is returned.
Method getTrainData(): Getter of the training dataset stored on the current layer.
 Usage:
 TrainLayer$getTrainData()
 Returns: The stored TrainData object is returned.
Method getTargetValues(): Getter of target values from the current layer.
```

Usage: TrainLayer\$getTargetValues() *Returns*: A data. frame containing individuals IDs and corresponding target values. **Method** getIndIDs(): Getter of IDS from the current layer. Usage: TrainLayer\$getIndIDs() Returns: A data.frame containing individuals IDs values. Method getTestData(): Getter of the new data. Usage: TrainLayer\$getTestData() Returns: The stored TestData object is returned. **Method** getLrner(): Getter of the learner. Usage: TrainLayer\$getLrner() Returns: The stored Lrner object is returned. **Method** getVarSel(): Getter of the variable selector. Usage: TrainLayer\$getVarSel() Returns: The stored VarSel object is returned. **Method** getModel(): Getter of the model. Usage: TrainLayer\$getModel() Returns: The stored Model object is returned. **Method** checkLrnerExist(): Check whether a learner has been already stored. Usage: TrainLayer\$checkLrnerExist() Returns: Boolean value **Method** checkModelExist(): Check whether a model has been already stored. Usage: TrainLayer\$checkModelExist() Returns: Boolean value **Method** checkVarSelExist(): Check whether a variable selection tool has been already stored. TrainLayer\$checkVarSelExist() Returns: Boolean value

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Method checkTrainDataExist(): Check whether a training data has been already stored.

Usage:

TrainLayer\$checkTrainDataExist()

Returns: Boolean value

**Method** summary(): Generate summary.

Usage:

TrainLayer\$summary()

#### See Also

Training, Lrner, TrainData, TestData and Model

TrainMetaLayer

TrainMetaLayer Class

# Description

This class implement a meta meta layer. A TrainMetaLayer can only exist as unique element of a Training object.

A layer is structured as followed:

- Lrner: It is set by the user to be trained on the meta training data.
- TrainData: It are modality-specific prediction data, automatically created by the internal cross validation.
- Model: The meta model, result of training the learner on the training data, and therefore, not to be set by the user.
- TestData: The meta new data to be predicted, consisting in predictions obtained from each layer.

A meta layer can train its meta learner on the meta training data and store the resulting meta model. The meta layer can predict values given a new meta layer.

#### Super class

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## Methods

## **Public methods:**

- TrainMetaLayer\$new()
- TrainMetaLayer\$print()
- TrainMetaLayer\$getTraining()
- TrainMetaLayer\$getTargetObj()
- TrainMetaLayer\$train()

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• TrainMetaLayer\$predict()

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• TrainMetaLayer$impute()
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  • TrainMetaLayer$getLrner()
  • TrainMetaLayer$getModel()
  • TrainMetaLayer$openAccess()
  • TrainMetaLayer$closeAccess()
  • TrainMetaLayer$getAccess()
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  • TrainMetaLayer$checkLrnerExist()
  • TrainMetaLayer$checkModelExist()
  • TrainMetaLayer$checkTrainDataExist()
  TrainMetaLayer$set2NotTrained()
  • TrainMetaLayer$summary()
Method new(): constructor
 Usage:
 TrainMetaLayer$new(id, training)
 Arguments:
 id character
     Id of training meta-layer.
 training Training
Method print(): Printer
 Usage:
 TrainMetaLayer$print(...)
 Arguments:
 ... any
Method getTraining(): Getter of the current training object.
 Usage:
 TrainMetaLayer$getTraining()
 Returns: The current training object is returned.
Method getTargetObj(): Getter of the target object.
 Usage:
 TrainMetaLayer$getTargetObj()
Method train(): Trains the current layer.
 TrainMetaLayer$train(ind_subset = NULL, verbose = TRUE)
 Arguments:
```

```
ind_subset vector
     ID subset of individuals to be used for training.
 verbose boolean
     Warning messages will be displayed if set to TRUE.
 Returns: The current layer is returned with the resulting model.
Method predict(): Predicts values for the new layer taking as argument.
 Usage:
 TrainMetaLayer$predict(new_layer, ind_subset = NULL)
 Arguments:
 new_layer TrainLayer
     A trained TrainLayer object.
 ind subset vector
     Index subset.
 Returns: A new object with the predicted values is returned.
Method impute(): Imputes missing values in modality-specific predictions. Only mode and
median based imputations are actually supported.
 Usage:
 TrainMetaLayer$impute(impute_fct = NULL, impute_param = NULL)
 Arguments:
 impute_fct character
     An imputation function to use instead of median or mode imputation. This parameter is
     actually not used. This corresponds to median or mode based imputation.
 impute_param list
     The list of parameters to call the imputation function. Not yet implemented!
 Returns: A new object with the predicted values is returned.
Method getTrainData(): Getter of the training dataset stored on the current layer.
 Usage:
 TrainMetaLayer$getTrainData()
 Returns: The stored TrainData object is returned.
Method getLrner(): Getter of the learner.
 Usage:
 TrainMetaLayer$getLrner()
 Returns: The stored Lrner object is returned.
Method getModel(): Getter of the model.
 Usage:
 TrainMetaLayer$getModel()
 Returns: The stored Model object is returned.
```

Method openAccess(): Open access to the meta layer. A meta learner is only modifiable if the access is opened. Usage: TrainMetaLayer\$openAccess() **Method** closeAccess(): Close access to the meta layer to avoid accidental modification. Usage: TrainMetaLayer\$closeAccess() **Method** getAccess(): Getter of the current access to the meta layer. Usage: TrainMetaLayer\$getAccess() **Method** setTrainData(): Create and set an TrainData object to the current meta learner. Usage: TrainMetaLayer\$setTrainData(id, ind\_col, data\_frame) Arguments: id character ID of the TrainData object to be instanciated. ind col character Name of individual column IDs. data\_frame data.frame data. frame of layer specific predictions. Method checkLrnerExist(): Check whether a training data has been already stored. Usage: TrainMetaLayer\$checkLrnerExist() Returns: Boolean value **Method** checkModelExist(): Check whether a model has been already stored. Usage: TrainMetaLayer\$checkModelExist() Returns: Boolean value **Method** checkTrainDataExist(): Check whether a training data has been already stored. Usage: TrainMetaLayer\$checkTrainDataExist() Returns: Boolean value **Method** set2NotTrained(): Only usefull to reset status FALSE after cross validation. TrainMetaLayer\$set2NotTrained() **Method** summary(): Generate summary. Usage: TrainMetaLayer\$summary()

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upsetplot upsetplot

# Description

An upset plot of overlapping individuals.

## Usage

```
upsetplot(object, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

object Training or Testing

Training or testing object for each the upset plot will be created.

... any

Further arguments to be passed to the upset function from package UpSetR.

VarSel Varsel Class

## **Description**

This class implements a learner. A VarSel object can only exist as a component of a TrainLayer or a TrainMetaLayer object.

## Methods

#### **Public methods:**

- VarSel\$new()
- VarSel\$print()
- VarSel\$summary()
- VarSel\$interface()
- VarSel\$varSelection()
- VarSel\$getTrainLayer()
- VarSel\$getId()
- VarSel\$getPackage()
- VarSel\$getVarSubSet()
- VarSel\$getParamInterface()
- VarSel\$getNaAction()
- VarSel\$getExtractVar()

**Method** new(): Variable selection parameter list. Learner ID.

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```
Usage:
 VarSel$new(
    id,
    package = NULL,
   varsel_fct,
    varsel_param,
    train_layer,
    na_action = "na.rm"
 Arguments:
 id character
     Package that implements the variable selection function. If NULL, the variable selection
     function is called from the current environment.
 package character
     Variable selection function name. Note: Variable selection functions, except Boruta, must
     return a vector of selected variables.
 varsel_fct character
     Variable selection parameters.
 varsel_param list
     Layer on which the learner is stored.
 train_layer TrainLayer
     The training layer where to store the learner.
 na_action character
     Handling of missing values in meta-data. Set to "na.keep" to keep missing values, "na.rm"
     to remove individuals with missing values or "na.impute" (only applicable on meta-data) to
     impute missing values in meta-data. Only median and mode based imputations are actually
     handled. With the "na.keep" option, ensure that the provided learner can handle missing
     values. If TRUE, the individuals with missing predictor values will be removed from the
     training dataset.
Method print(): Printer
 Usage:
 VarSel$print(...)
 Arguments:
```

```
Arguments:
... any

Method summary(): Summary
Usage:
VarSel$summary(...)
Arguments:
```

... any

**Method** interface(): Learner and prediction parameter interface. Use this function to provide how the following parameters are named in the learning function (lrn\_fct) you provided when creating the learner, or in the predicting function.

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```
Usage:
 VarSel$interface(
    x = "x"
    y = "y",
   object = "object",
   data = "data",
    extract_var_fct = NULL
 )
 Arguments:
 x string
     Name of the argument to pass the matrix of independent variables in the original learning
     function.
 y string
     Name of the argument to pass the response variable in the original learning function.
     Name of the argument to pass the model in the original predicting function.
 data character
     Name of the argument to pass new data in the original predicting function.
 extract_var_fct character or function
     If the variable selection function that is called does not return a vector, then use this argu-
     ment to specify a (or a name of a) function that can be used to extract vector of selected
     variables. Default value is NULL, if selected variables are in a vector.
Method varSelection(): Tains the current learner (from class Lrner) on the current training
data (from class TrainData).
 Usage:
 VarSel$varSelection(ind_subset = NULL)
 Arguments:
 ind_subset vector
     Individual ID subset on which the training will be performed.
 Returns: The resulting model, from class Model, is returned.
Method getTrainLayer(): The current layer is returned.
 VarSel$getTrainLayer()
 Returns: TrainLayer object.
Method getId(): Getter of the current learner ID.
 Usage:
 VarSel$getId()
 Returns: The current learner ID.
```

**Method** getPackage(): Getter of the variable selection package implementing the variable selection function.

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Usage:

VarSel\$getPackage()

Returns: The name of the package implementing the variable selection function.

**Method** getVarSubSet(): Getter of the list of selected variables.

Usage:

VarSel\$getVarSubSet()

Returns: List of selected variables..

**Method** getParamInterface(): The current parameter interface is returned.

Usage:

VarSel\$getParamInterface()

Returns: A data.frame of interface.

Method getNaAction(): The current layer is returned.

Usage:

VarSel\$getNaAction()

**Method** getExtractVar(): The function to extract selected variables is returned.

Usage:

VarSel\$getExtractVar()

Returns: A data frame of interface.

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varSelection

## **Description**

Variable selection on the training object passed as argument.

## Usage

```
varSelection(training, ind_subset = NULL)
```

# Arguments

training Training

Training object for storing the created layer.

ind\_subset vector

ID subset of individuals to be used for variable selection.

## Value

A data.frame with two columns: layer and selected variables.

## References

Fouodo C.J.K, Bleskina M. and Szymczak (2024). fuseMLR: An R package for integrative prediction modeling of multi-omics data, paper submitted.

weightedMeanLearner

The weighted mean meta-learner

# **Description**

Modality-specific learner are assessed and weighted based on their predictions. This function is intended to be (internally) used as meta-learner in fuseMLR.

## Usage

```
weightedMeanLearner(x, y, weighted = TRUE, perf = NULL, na_rm = FALSE)
```

## **Arguments**

x data.frame

Modality-specific predictions. Each column of the data. frame content the pre-

dictions a specific learner.

y vector

True target values. If classification, either binary or two level factor variable.

weighted boolean

If TRUE, a weighted sum is computed. As default, weights are estimated based on Brier Score for classification setting and mean squared error for regression. Otherwise, use argument perf below to specify the function to use estimate

learner performance.

perf function

Function to compute layer-specific performance of learners. If NULL, the Brier Score (classification) or a mean squared error (regression) is used by default as performance measure. Otherwise, the performance function must accept two parameters: observed (observed values) and predicted (predicted values).

na\_rm boolean

Should missing values be removed when computing the weights?

#### Value

Object of class weightedMeanLearner with the vector of estimated weights pro layer.

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