# Package 'BigKnn'

May 30, 2024

Way 50, 2024
Type Package
Title Large Scale K-Nearest Neighbor Classifier using the Lucene Search Engine
Version 1.0.2
Date 2025-05-30
Maintainer Martijn Schuemie <schuemie@ohdsi.org></schuemie@ohdsi.org>
<b>Description</b> A large scale k-nearest neighbor classifier using the Lucene search engine.
SystemRequirements Java version 8 or higher (https://www.java.com/)
Imports rJava, Andromeda (>= 0.6.3), dplyr, rlang
Suggests testthat
License Apache License
RoxygenNote 7.3.1
URL https://ohdsi.github.io/BigKnn,https://github.com/OHDSI/BigKnn
BugReports https://github.com/OHDSI/BigKnn/issues
Encoding UTF-8
Contents
buildKnn

2 buildKnn

buildKnn Build a K-nearest neighbor (KNN) classifier
--

## Description

buildKnn loads data from two Andromeda tables, and inserts them into a KNN classifier.

## Usage

```
buildKnn(outcomes, covariates, indexFolder, overwrite = TRUE)
```

## **Arguments**

outcomes	An Andromeda table containing the outcomes with predefined columns (see below).
covariates	An Andromeda table containing the covariates with predefined columns (see below).
indexFolder	Path to a local folder where the KNN classifier index can be stored.
overwrite	Automatically overwrite if an index already exists?

## **Details**

These columns are expected in the outcome object:

```
rowId (integer) Row ID is used to link multiple covariates (x) to a single outcome (y) y (real) The outcome variable
```

These columns are expected in the covariates object:

rowId	(integer)	Row ID is used to link multiple covariates (x) to a single outcome (y)
covariateId	(integer)	A numeric identifier of a covariate
covariateValue	(real)	The value of the specified covariate

#### Value

Nothing

buildKnnFromPlpData

buildKnnFromPlpData

Build a K-nearest neighbor (KNN) classifier from a plpData object

## Description

Build a K-nearest neighbor (KNN) classifier from a plpData object

## Usage

```
buildKnnFromPlpData(
  plpData,
  population,
  indexFolder,
  overwrite = TRUE,
  cohortId = NULL,
  outcomeId = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

plpData An object of type plpData.

population The population.

indexFolder Path to a local folder where the KNN classifier index can be stored.

overwrite Automatically overwrite if an index already exists?

cohortId The ID of the specific cohort for which to fit a model.

outcomeId The ID of the specific outcome for which to fit a model.

predictKnn

Predict using a K-nearest neighbor (KNN) classifier

#### **Description**

predictKnn uses a KNN classifier to generate predictions.

#### Usage

```
predictKnn(
  cohorts,
  covariates,
  indexFolder,
  k = 1000,
  weighted = TRUE,
  threads = 1
)
```

#### **Arguments**

cohorts An Andromeda table containing the cohorts with predefined columns (see be-

low).

covariates An Andromeda table containing the covariates with predefined columns (see

below).

indexFolder Path to a local folder where the KNN classifier index can be stored.

k The number of nearest neighbors to use to predict the outcome.

weighted Should the prediction be weighted by the (inverse of the ) distance metric?

threads Number of parallel threads to used for the computation.

#### Details

These columns are expected in the covariates object:

```
rowId (integer) Row ID is used to link multiple covariates (x) to a single outcome (y) covariateId (integer) A numeric identifier of a covariate covariateValue (real) The value of the specified covariate
```

This column is expected in the covariates object:

```
rowId (integer) Row ID is used to link multiple covariates (x) to a single outcome (y)
```

#### Value

A data.frame with two columns:

```
rowId (integer) Row ID is used to link multiple covariates (x) to a single outcome (y) prediction (real) A number between 0 and 1 representing the probability of the outcome
```

```
predictKnnUsingPlpData
```

Create predictive probabilities using KNN.

#### **Description**

Create predictive probabilities using KNN.

## Usage

```
predictKnnUsingPlpData(
  plpData,
  population,
  indexFolder,
  k = 1000,
  weighted = TRUE,
  threads = 10
)
```

#### **Arguments**

plpData An object of type plpData as generated using getDbPlpData.

population The population to predict for.

indexFolder Path to a local folder where the KNN classifier index is be stored.

k The number of nearest neighbors to use to predict the outcome.

weighted Should the prediction be weighted by the (inverse of the ) distance metric?

threads Number of parallel threads to used for the computation.

#### **Details**

Generates predictions for the population specified in plpData.

#### Value

The value column in the result data.frame is: logistic: probabilities of the outcome, poisson: Poisson rate (per day) of the outcome, survival: hazard rate (per day) of the outcome.

## Index

```
buildKnn, 2
buildKnnFromPlpData, 3
predictKnn, 3
predictKnnUsingPlpData, 4
```