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EABN-package

Evidence Accumulation Bayes Net Engine

Description

Extracts observables from a sequence of events.

EABN-package

Details

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The most important object in the package is the BNEngine which does most of the work of scoring. In particular, it takes a P4Message object containing observables, and a StudentRecord object and updates the student record.

It comes in two variants, BNEngineMongo which links to a Mongo database, and BNEngineNDB which processes raw messages without the database.

The functions doBuild builds the BNEngine, and the function doRunrun runs the engine on a queue of messages in the database. The function handleEvidence processes a single evidence message.

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References

Almond, Mislevy, Steinberg, Yan and Williamson (2015). *Bayesian Networks in Educational Assessment*. Springer. Especially Chapters 5 and 13.

See Also

Proc4 – Low level support for messaging. **EIEvent** – Evidence Accumulation which produces the input messages for EABN.

Examples

```
cat("This sample file is available in", system.file("conf/RunEABN.R",
   package="EABN"), "\n")
## Not run:
library(R.utils)
library(EABN)
library(PNetica)
library(futile.logger)
library(jsonlite)
if (interactive()) {
  ## Edit these for the local application
  appStem <- "P4test"</pre>
  loglevel <- ""</pre>
  noprep <- FALSE</pre>
  override <- FALSE
} else {
  appStem <- cmdArg("app",NULL)</pre>
  if (is.null(app) || !grepl("^ecd://",app))
```

```
stop("No app specified, use '--args app=ecd://...'")
 loglevel <- cmdArg("level","")</pre>
 noprep <- as.logical(cmdArg("noprep",FALSE))</pre>
 override <- as.logical(cmdArg("override",FALSE))</pre>
}
## This is the default location for INI files for Proc4 tools.
source("/usr/local/share/Proc4/EAini.R")
## Assumes the path config.dir (set in the INI file) contains a file
## config.json giving the location of the necessary configuration files
## and network files.
EA.config <- jsonlite::fromJSON(file.path(config.dir,"config.json"),FALSE)
app <- as.character(Proc4.config$apps[appStem])</pre>
if (length(app)==0L || any(app=="NULL")) {
 stop("Could not find app for ",appStem)
}
if (!(isTRUE(match(appStem,EA.config$appStem))) {
 stop("Configuration not set for app ",appStem)
}
## Start Netica
sess <- NeticaSession(LicenseKey=NeticaLicenseKey)</pre>
startSession(sess)
logfile <- (file.path(logpath, sub("<app>",appStem,EA.config$logname)))
if (interactive()) {
 flog.appender(appender.tee(logfile))
} else {
 flog.appender(appender.file(logfile))
}
flog.threshold(EA.config$logLevel)
## Load extensions.
for (ext in EA.config$extensions) {
 if (is.character(ext) && nchar(ext) > 0L) {
    if (file.exists(file.path(config.dir,ext))) {
      source(file.path(config.dir,ext))
    } else {
      flog.error("Can't find extension file
    }
 }
}
```

This will build the engine and run all messages in the QUEUE.

The engine object can now be used to process further messages or

access the EABN database.

```
## End(Not run)
```

accumulateEvidence Merge evidence from an evidence set with the student record.

Description

The function accumulateEvidence combines the evidence in the EvidenceSet with the exiting beliefs in the StudentRecord, updating the student record. The function handleEvidence is a wrapper around this which takes care of finding and updating the evidence sets.

Usage

accumulateEvidence(eng, rec, evidMess, debug = 0)
handleEvidence(eng, evidMess, srser = NULL, debug = 0)

Arguments

eng	The BNEngine which controls the process.
rec	The StudentRecord which will be updated.
srser	A serialized version of the student record for the no-database version of the model.
evidMess	An EvidenceSet which has the evidence to be incorporated.
debug	An integer flag. If greater than 1, then recover() will be called at strategic places during the processing to allow inspection of the process.

Details

The function accumulateEvidence performs the following steps:

- 1. Update the student record to associate it with the new evidence (updateRecord).
- 2. Update the student model with the new evidence (updateSM).
- 3. Update the statistics for the new student model (updateStats).
- 4. Update the history for the new evidence (updateHist).
- 5. Announce the availablity of new statistics (announceStats).
- 6. Save the updated student record (saveSR).

The function handleEvidence is a wrapper around accumulateEvidence which finds the student record. Note for BNEngineNDB, it is expected that the student record will be passed in as a serialized object (see getRecordForUser). It performs the following steps:

1. Fetch the student record for the uid associated with the evidence set (getRecordForUser).

- 2. Mark the evidence as belonging to this student record (logEvidence).
- 3. Update the record by calling accumulateEvidence.
- 4. Mark the evidence as processed (markAsProcessed).

If an error is encountered, then the error message is added to the evidence set.

Value

The modified StudentRecord which was just processed. If an error occurs during the call to accumulateEvidence both function will return an object of class try-error instead of the student record.

Logging, Error Handling and Debugging

The functions handleEvidence, accumulateEvidence and many of the functions they call use the flog.logger protocol. The default logging level of INFO will give messages in response to the announcements and warnings when an error occur. The DEBUG and TRACE levels will provide more information about the details of the update algorithm.

The body of accumulateEvidence is wrapped in withFlogging which captures and logs errors. This function returns an object of class try-error when an error occurs. Although handleEvidence does not use the flogging error handler, it will still pass on the try-error if one is generated.

The debug argument can be used to pause execution. Basically, recover() will be called between every step. This only happens in interactive mode as it just does not make sense in batch model.

Known Bugs

There is a bug in version 5.04 of Netica which causes the absorbNodes function when called with a node that does not have display information to generate an internal Netica error. This has been fixed with version 6.07, which is currently in beta release (Linux only).

To work around, make sure that either all nodes do not have display information, or that all do.

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References

Almond, Mislevy, Steinberg, Yan and Williamson (2015). *Bayesian Networks in Educational Assessment*. Springer. Especially Chapters 5 and 13.

See Also

Classes: BNEngine BNEngineMongo, BNEngineNDB StudentRecord, EvidenceSet

Main Loop Functions: mainLoop, getRecordForUser, logEvidence, updateRecord, updateSM, updateStats, updateHist, announceStats, saveSR

accumulateEvidence

Examples

```
## Requires database setup, also PNetica
library(RNetica) ## Must load to setup Netica DLL
app <- "ecd://epls.coe.fsu.edu/EITest"</pre>
sess <- RNetica::NeticaSession()</pre>
RNetica::startSession(sess)
config.dir <- file.path(library(help="Peanut")$path, "auxdata")</pre>
net.dir <- file.path(library(help="PNetica")$path,"testnets")</pre>
netman <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Nets.csv"),</pre>
                      row.names=1, stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
stattab <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Statistics.csv"),</pre>
                      as.is=TRUE)
Nethouse <- PNetica::BNWarehouse(netman,session=sess,</pre>
              address=net.dir)
cl <- new("CaptureListener")</pre>
listeners <- list("cl"=cl)</pre>
ls <- ListenerSet(sender= paste("EAEngine[",app,"]"),</pre>
                   db=MongoDB(noMongo=TRUE), listeners=listeners)
eng <- newBNEngineNDB(app=app,warehouse=Nethouse,</pre>
                      listenerSet=ls,manifest=netman,
                      profModel="miniPP_CM",
                      histNodes="Physics",
                      statmat=stattab,
                      activeTest="EAActive.txt")
## Standard initialization methods.
loadManifest(eng,netman)
eng$setHistNodes("Physics")
configStats(eng,stattab)
setupDefaultSR(eng)
sr0 <- getRecordForUser(eng,"S1")</pre>
eap0 <- stat(sr0, "Physics_EAP")</pre>
e1 <- EvidenceSet(uid="S1",app="Test",context="PPcompEM",</pre>
                   obs=list("CompensatoryObs"="Right"))
e1 <- logEvidence(eng,sr0,e1)</pre>
sr1 <- accumulateEvidence(eng,sr0,e1)</pre>
stopifnot(!is(sr1,'try-error'))
stopifnot(m_id(sr1)!=m_id(sr0),sr1@prev_id==m_id(sr0))
stopifnot(seqno(sr1)==1L, seqno(e1)==1L)
eap1 <- stat(sr1,"Physics_EAP")</pre>
stopifnot(abs(eap1-eap0) > .001)
```

```
stopifnot(nrow(history(sr1,"Physcis"))==2L)
```

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BNEngine-class Class "BNEngine"

Description

A generic engine for handling evidence messages (EvidenceSet objects).

Details

This is the basic class for running the evidence accumulation process. This is actually an abstract class, there are two subclasses: BNEngineMongo, which uses the Mongo database to store student records and as a message queue, and BNEngineNDB, which operates without a database. Note that the BNEngine constructor generates an error.

The following functions form the core of the Engine Protocol:

loadManifest This loads the network manifest for the PnetWarehouse. setupDefaultSR Sets up the default Student Record (used for creating new student records) configStats Configures the statistics that are reported in the main loop. baselineHist Sets up the baselines for histories. mainLoop This runs through a queue of messages, handling the evidence. handleEvidence Handles evidence from one scoring context and one user. accumulateEvidence Does the actual work of processing the evidence. getRecordForUser Fetches the student record for a user, essentially a call to getSR. logEvidence Logs the evidence as part of the student record. updateSM Updates the student model for the new evidence. updateStats Calculates new statistics for the revised student model. updateHist Updates the history for the revised student model. announceStats Updates other processes about the existance of updated statistics.

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BNEngine-class

Extends

All reference classes extend and inherit methods from "envRefClass".

Methods

- app signature(x = "BNEngine"): Returns the guid identifying the application that this engine is
 handling.
- **notifyListeners** signature(sender = "BNEngine"): Notifies other processes that student records have been updated.

Fields

- app: Object of class character giving an globally unique identifier for the application
- srs: Object of class StudentRecordSet of NULL giving the student record set for the application.
- profModel: Object of class character giving the name of the proficiency model (for the default student record) in the warehouse manifest.
- listenerSet: Object of class ListenerSet giving a set of listeners who will listen for new statistics.
- statistics: Object of class list containing Statistic objects to be run on every update cycle.
- histNodes: Object of class character giving the names of the nodes in the proficiency model whose history will be recorded.
- warehouseObj: Object of class PnetWarehouse which stores the Bayes nets, both evidence models and student models are stored here.
- waittime: Object of class numeric giving the time in seconds the main event loop should wait before checking again for messages.
- processN: Object of class numeric giving the number of times that the main loop should run before stopping. If Inf, then the main loop will run without stopping.

Class-Based Methods

activate(): Sets the flag to indicate that the process is running.

- deactivate(): Clears the flag to indicate that the process is no longer running.
- shouldHalt(): This function checks the database to see whether or not the flag is set to cause the
 process to halt after processing the current record.
- stopWhenFinished(): This function checks the database to see whether or not the flag is set to cause the process to stop when the event queue is empty.
- setHistNodes(nodenames): Sets the names of the history nodes. Note this should be called before the call to baselineHist or the history nodes will not be set properly in the default student record.
- fetchNextEvidence(): Fetches the next evidence set to be handled.

setError(mess, e): Adds an error flag to an evidence set that generated an error.

getHistNodes(): Retrieves the history nodes.

saveStats(statmat): Updates the set of statitics associated with this engine.

studentRecords(): Fetches the StudentRecordSet associated with the engine. Note: This method should be called instead of the raw field as it will initialize the field if it is not set up yet.

fetchStats(): Fetches statistic objects from the database.

stats(): Returns the set of Statistic objects associate with the engine.

fetchManifest(): Fetches the network manifest from the database.

setManifest(manifest): Sets the manifest for the PnetWarehouse.

saveManifest(manifest): Saves the network manifest to the database.

show(): Providse a printed representation of the database.

setProcessed(mess): Sets an evidence set message as processed.

warehouse(): Returns the PnetWarehouse associated with this engine. Again, this function should be called in preference to directly accessing the field as it forces initialization when necessary.

evidenceSets(): A reference to the collection of evidence sets.

Author(s)

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References

Almond, Mislevy, Steinberg, Yan and Williamson (2015). *Bayesian Networks in Educational Assessment*. Springer. Especially Chapter 13.

See Also

Subclasses: BNEngineMongo, BNEngineNDB

Constituent parts: StudentRecordSet, PnetWarehouse

Setup Functions: loadManifest, setupDefaultSR, configStats, baselineHist,

Main Loop Functions: mainLoop, handleEvidence, getRecordForUser, logEvidence, accumulateEvidence, updateRecord, updateSM, updateStats, updateHist, announceStats,

Examples

showClass("BNEngine")

Description

The BNEngineMongo is a BNEngine which is attached to a MongoDB database, which hold both the queue and the StudentRecordSet.

Usage

```
newBNEngineMongo(app = "default", warehouse, listenerSet = NULL, processN = Inf,
   statistics = list(),
   dburi = "mongodb://localhost", sslops = mongolite::ssl_options(),
   eadbname = "EARecords", admindbname = "Proc4", waittime = 0.25,
   profModel = character(), histNodes = character(),
   errorRestart = c("checkNoScore", "stopProcessing", "scoreAvailable"),
   srcol = "StudentRecords",
   mongoverbose = FALSE,
   srs = StudentRecordSet(app = app, warehouse = warehouse,
       db = MongoDB(srcol, eadbname, dburi, verbose = mongoverbose,
           options = sslops)),
   manifestCol = "Manifest", manifestDB = MongoDB(manifestCol,
       eadbname, dburi, verbose = mongoverbose, options = sslops),
   evidenceCol = "EvidenceSets", evidenceQueue = new("MongoQueue",
       app = app, messDB = MongoDB(evidenceCol, eadbname, dburi,
      verbose = mongoverbose, options = sslops), builder = Proc4::buildMessage),
   histcol = "histNodes", histNodesDB = MongoDB(histcol, eadbname,
       dburi, verbose = mongoverbose, options = sslops),
   statcol = "Statistics",
   statDB = MongoDB(statcol, eadbname, dburi, verbose = mongoverbose,
       options = sslops),
   admincol = "AuthorizedApps", adminDB = MongoDB(admincol,
       admindbname, dburi, verbose = mongoverbose, options = sslops),
    ...)
```

Arguments

арр	A character scalar giving the globally unique identifier for the application.
warehouse	A PnetWarehouse which stores the default student model and evidence models. (It will also store the student models.
listenerSet	A $\ensuremath{ListenerSet}$ which contains the listeners for clients of the engine's messages.
statistics	Object of class list containing Statistic objects to be run on every update cycle.
dburi	A character scalar giving the login information for the mongo database. See ${\tt makeDBuri}.$

sslops	Options for SSL connections to database. See ssl_options.
eadbname	The name for the EA database.
admindbname	The name of the admin database used to check for shutdown requests.
processN	The number of records to process before stopping. The default value Inf runs the process until the active flag is cleared.
waittime	The amout of time (in seconds) to wait before checking again for new evidence sets when the evidence set queue is empty.
profModel	The name of the proficiency model (its ID in the warehouse manifest).
histNodes	A character vector giving the names of the nodes for which history will auto- maticall be recorded.
errorRestart	A character scalar describing how to handle errors. The default, "checkNoScore" will continue scoreing to try to find additional errors, but will not report statis- tics; the "scoreAvailable" option reports the scores based on the evidence sets which do not produce errors. The "stopProcessing" option immediately stops processing.
srcol	A character scalar giving the name of the database backing the student record set. Ignored if srs is specified.
mongoverbose	A flag. If true, extra debugging information from database calls is generated.
srs	A StudentRecordSet object for storing the student records.
manifestCol	The name of the column containing the manifest data, ignored if manifestDB is supplied.
manifestDB	A JSONDB the database where manifest information is cached.
evidenceCol	The name of the column containing the evidence sets, ignored if evidenceQueue is supplied.
evidenceQueue	A MessageQueue where the evidence sets exist.
histcol	The name of the column into which history data should be stored, ignored if histNodesDB is supplied.
histNodesDB	A JSONDB database where history information is stored.
statcol	The name of the column into which statistics should be stored, ignored if statDB is supplied.
statDB	A JSONDB database where statistics are stored.
admincol	The name of the column in the administrative database where engine status in- formation is stored, ignored if adminDB is supplied.
adminDB	A JSONDB where status information about the engine is stored.
	Extra arguments are ignored. This allows arguments for other engine versions to be set in the parameters and ignored.

Details

This creates an uninitialized BNEngine, specifically a BNEngineMongo.

The app, warehouse, and listenerSet arguments need to be supplied, for most of the rest, the default arguments work.

In particular, most of the "db" arguments are built using the default arguments. The makeDBuri function provides a useful shorthand for calculating the dburi field.

Value

An object of calls BNEngineMongo which is capable of scoring student models.

Note

Much of this information comes from the "config.json" file, with the dburi, eadbname, admindbname, and sslops arguments come from the "EA.ini" file.

Author(s)

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References

Almond, Mislevy, Steinberg, Yan and Williamson (2015). *Bayesian Networks in Educational Assessment*. Springer. Especially Chapter 13.

See Also

Classes: BNEngine, BNEngineNDB

Constituent parts: StudentRecordSet, PnetWarehouse ListenerSet

Setup Functions: loadManifest, setupDefaultSR, configStats, baselineHist,

Main Loop Functions: mainLoop, accumulateEvidence, handleEvidence, getRecordForUser, logEvidence, updateSM, updateStats, updateHist, announceStats,

Examples

```
## Not run:
## Requires database setup, also PNetica
library(RNetica) ## Must load to setup Netica DLL
app <- "ecd://epls.coe.fsu.edu/EATest"</pre>
sess <- RNetica::NeticaSession()</pre>
RNetica::startSession(sess)
config.dir <- file.path(library(help="Peanut")$path, "auxdata")</pre>
net.dir <- file.path(library(help="PNetica")$path,"testnets")</pre>
netman <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Nets.csv"),</pre>
                      row.names=1, stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
stattab <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Statistics.csv"),</pre>
                      as.is=TRUE)
Nethouse <- PNetica::BNWarehouse(netman,session=sess,</pre>
              address=net.dir)
cl <- new("CaptureListener")</pre>
listeners <- list("cl"=cl)</pre>
ls <- ListenerSet(sender= paste("EAEngine[",basename(app),"]"),</pre>
                   dbname="EARecords", dburi=makeDBuri(host="localhost"),
                   listeners=listeners,
```

End(Not run)

setupDefaultSR(eng)

BNEngineMongo-class Class "BNEngineMongo"

Description

A Bayes net engine hooked to a Mongo database.

Extends

Class "BNEngine", directly.

All reference classes extend and inherit methods from "envRefClass".

Activation

At the start of each iteration of the mainLoop, it checks eng\$shouldHalt() method. If this returns TRUE, then execution is immediately halted. When the queue is empty, it checks the eng\$stopWhenFinished() method. If this returns true, then the main loop also terminates.

The BNEngineMongo this checks the "AuthorizedApps" collection in the database to see if the current app is active and the value of the field EAsignal. The eng\$activate() method sets this field to "Running". If the field is set to "Halt", then eng\$shouldHalt() will return TRUE and the mainLoop will stop after processing the current evidence set. If the field is set to "Halt" (actually, anything other than "Running"), then eng\$stopWhenFinished() will return TRUE and the mainLoop will stop when the queue is empty.

The methods eng\$activate() and eng\$deactivate() set and clear the EAactive flag in the "AuthorizedApps" database.

Fields

app: Object of class character giving an globally unique identifier for the application

- srs: Object of class StudentRecordSet of NULL giving the student record set for the application.
- profModel: Object of class character giving the name of the proficiency model (for the default student record) in the warehouse manifest.
- listenerSet: Object of class ListenerSet giving a set of listeners who will listen for new statistics.
- statistics: Object of class list containing Statistic objects to be run on every update cycle.
- histNodes: Object of class character giving the names of the nodes in the proficiency model whose history will be recorded.
- warehouseObj: Object of class PnetWarehouse which stores the Bayes nets, both evidence models and student models are stored here.
- waittime: Object of class numeric giving the time in seconds the main event loop should wait before checking again for messages.
- processN: Object of class numeric giving the number of times that the main loop should run before stopping. If Inf, then the main loop will run without stopping.
- dburi: Object of class character giving the URI for the mongo database.
- dbname: Object of class character giving the name of the database to be used.
- manifestDB: Object of class MongoDB giving the collection used to store the manifest. This object may not be initialized so it should be accessed through the class-based function manifestdb().
- evidenceDB: Object of class MongoDB accessing the evidence set collection. This object may not be initialized so it should be accessed through the class-based function evidenceSets().
- statDB: Object of class MongoDB giving the statistics to use. This object may not be initialized so it should be accessed through the class-based function statdb().
- histNodesDB: Object of class MongoDB giving the history nodes. This object may not be initialized so it should be accessed through the class-based function histNodesdb().
- admindbname: Object of class character giving name admin (mongo) database, used for various listeners and the is.active() method.
- adminDB: Object of class MongoDB giving the link to the admin database. This object may not be initialized so it should be accessed through the class-based function admindb().

Methods

activate(): Sets the flag in the admin database to indicate that the process is running.

- deactivate(): Clears the flag in the admin database to indicate that the process is no longer running.
- shouldHalt(): This function checks the admin database to see whether or not the flag is set to cause the process to halt after processing the current record..
- stopWhenFinished(): This function checks the admin database to see whether or not the flag is set to cause the process to stop when the event queue is empty.
- statdb(): Returns the database contianing the statistic objects.

studentRecords(): Returns the StudentRecordSet associated with this engine.

fetchStats(): Fetches the statistics marked in the database configuration.

initialize(app, warehouse, listeners, username, password, host, port, dbname, P4dbname, profModel, waitt initializes the class. Note that some initialization is done in the various XXXdb() functions, so these should be called instead of directly accessing the fields.

manifestdb(): Returns the MongoDB-class handle to the manifest information collection.

admindb(): Returns the MongoDB-class handle to the "AuthorizedApps" collection.

- histNodesdb(): Returns the MongoDB-class handle to the hist nodes collection.
- saveManifest(manifest): Saves the current PnetWarehouse manifest to the manifestdb() collection

fetchManifest(): Retrieves the saved manifest from the manifestdb() collection.

fetchNextEvidence(): Retrieves the next EvidenceSet from the evidenceSets() collection. Returns NULL if there are not unprocessed evidence sets.

saveStats(statmat): Saves the update statistic definitions to the statdb() collection.

setHistNodes(nodenames): Saves the history nodes to the histNodesdb() collection.

isActivated(): Checks to see if the active flag is set.

setError(mess, e): Added an error message to an evidence set.

evidenceSets(): Returns a MongoDB-class handle to the collection/queue of evidence sets.

getHistNodes(): Fetches the history nodes from the histNodesdb() collection.

show(): Provides a printed representation of the engine.

The following methods are inherited (from the corresponding class): evidenceSets ("BNEngine"), getHistNodes ("BNEngine"), stats ("BNEngine"), setProcessed ("BNEngine"), setManifest ("BNEngine"), activate ("BNEngine"), isActivated ("BNEngine"), saveManifest ("BNEngine"), studentRecords ("BNEngine"), saveStats ("BNEngine"), fetchNextEvidence ("BNEngine"), warehouse ("BNEngine"), show ("BNEngine"), setHistNodes ("BNEngine"), setError ("BNEngine"), fetchManifest ("BNEngine"), fetchStats ("BNEngine")

Note

The database connections are not created right away, so it is important to use the class-based functions, manifestdb(), statdb(), evidenceSets(), histNodesdb(), studentRecords(), and admindb() rather than accessing the fields directly.

Author(s)

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References

Almond, Mislevy, Steinberg, Yan and Williamson (2015). *Bayesian Networks in Educational Assessment*. Springer. Especially Chapter 13.

BNEngineNDB

See Also

Classes: BNEngine, BNEngineNDB

Constituent parts: StudentRecordSet, PnetWarehouse

Setup Functions: loadManifest, setupDefaultSR, configStats, baselineHist,

Main Loop Functions: mainLoop, accumulateEvidence, handleEvidence, getRecordForUser, logEvidence, updateSM, updateStats, updateHist, announceStats,

Examples

```
showClass("BNEngineMongo")
```

BNEngineNDB

Creates a Bayes net engine not attached to a database.

Description

The BNEngineNDB is a BNEngine which is not attached to the database. In particular, it cannot store student records, so it cannot maintain state between scoring sessions without extend help.

Usage

```
newBNEngineNDB(app = "default", warehouse, listenerSet = NULL,
manifest = data.frame(), processN = Inf, waittime = 0.25,
profModel = character(), statmat = data.frame(),
evidenceQueue = new("ListQueue",app, list()),
activeTest = "EAActive",
errorRestart=c("checkNoScore","stopProcessing","scoreAvailable"),
srs =StudentRecordSet(app=app,warehouse=warehouse, db=MongoDB(noMongo=TRUE)),
...)
```

Arguments

арр	A character scalar giving the globally unique identifier for the application.
warehouse	A PnetWarehouse which stores the default student model and evidence models. (It will also store the student models.
listenerSet	A ListenerSet which contains the listeners for clients of the engine's messages.
manifest	A data frame providing a manifest for the PnetWarehouse.
processN	The number of records to process before stopping. The default value Inf runs the process until the active flag is cleared.
waittime	The amout of time (in seconds) to wait before checking again for new evidence sets when the evidence set queue is empty.
profModel	The name of the proficiency model (its ID in the warehouse manifest).

statmat	A data.frame describing the statistics. See configStats.
evidenceQueue	A object of class MessageQueue-class containing evidence sets to be processed.
activeTest	The pathname for the file whose existance will be used to determine when the engine should shut down.
errorRestart	A character scalar describing how to handle errors. The default, "checkNoScore" will continue scoreing to try to find additional errors, but will not report statis- tics; the "scoreAvailable" option reports the scores based on the evidence sets which do not produce errors. The "stopProcessing" option immediately stops processing.
srs	A StudentRecordSet object used to manage student records.
	Extra arguments are ignored. This allows arguments for other engine versions to be set in the parameters and ignored.

Details

This creates an uninitialized BNEngine, specifically a BNEngineNDB.

Value

An object of calls BNEngineNDB which is capable of scoring student models.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

References

Almond, Mislevy, Steinberg, Yan and Williamson (2015). *Bayesian Networks in Educational Assessment*. Springer. Especially Chapter 13.

See Also

Classes: BNEngine, BNEngineMongo

Constituent parts: StudentRecordSet, PnetWarehouse ListenerSet

Setup Functions: loadManifest, setupDefaultSR, configStats, baselineHist,

Main Loop Functions: mainLoop, accumulateEvidence, handleEvidence, getRecordForUser, logEvidence, updateSM, updateStats, updateHist, announceStats,

Examples

```
## Requires database setup, also PNetica
library(RNetica) ## Must load to setup Netica DLL
appid <- "ecd://epls.coe.fsu.edu/EITest"
sess <- RNetica::NeticaSession()
RNetica::startSession(sess)
```

config.dir <- file.path(library(help="Peanut")\$path, "auxdata")</pre>

```
net.dir <- file.path(library(help="PNetica")$path,"testnets")</pre>
netman <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Nets.csv"),</pre>
                     row.names=1, stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
stattab <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Statistics.csv"),</pre>
                     as.is=TRUE)
Nethouse <- PNetica::BNWarehouse(netman,session=sess,</pre>
              address=net.dir)
cl <- new("CaptureListener")</pre>
listeners <- list("cl"=cl)</pre>
ls <- ListenerSet(sender= paste("EAEngine[",appid,"]"),</pre>
                   listeners=listeners)
eng <- newBNEngineNDB(app=appid,warehouse=Nethouse,</pre>
                      listenerSet=ls,manifest=netman,
                      profModel="miniPP_CM",
                      histNodes="Physics",
                      statmat=stattab,
                      activeTest="EAActive.txt")
## Standard initialization methods.
loadManifest(eng,netman)
eng$setHistNodes("Physics")
configStats(eng,stattab)
setupDefaultSR(eng)
```

BNEngineNDB-class Class "BNEngineNDB"

Description

A BNEngine instance which is *not* connected to a database.

Extends

Class "BNEngine", directly.

All reference classes extend and inherit methods from "envRefClass".

Methods

evidence signature(x = "BNEngineNDB"): Returns list of EvidenceSets in the queue.

evidence signature(x = "BNEngineNDB", value="list"): Sets the list of EvidenceSets in the queue.

Activation

At the start of each iteration of the mainLoop, it checks eng\$shouldHalt() method. If this returns TRUE, then execution is immediately halted. When the queue is empty, it checks the eng\$stopWhenFinished() method. If this returns true, then the main loop also terminates.

In the no database version, the process communicates with the rest of the system by checking the file referenced in the activeTest field. The eng\$activate() creates this file with the extension '.running'. Renaming the file to have the extension .finish will cause eng\$stopWhenFinished() to return true, that is the mainLoop will finish when the queue is empty. Renaming the file to have the extension .halt will cause eng\$shouldHalt() to return true, and mainLoop will stop when it finishes processing the current event.

Fields

app: Object of class character giving an globally unique identifier for the application

- srs: Object of class StudentRecordSet of NULL giving the student record set for the application.
- profModel: Object of class character giving the name of the proficiency model (for the default student record) in the warehouse manifest.
- listenerSet: Object of class ListenerSet giving a set of listeners who will listen for new statistics.
- statistics: Object of class list containing Statistic objects to be run on every update cycle.
- histNodes: Object of class character giving the names of the nodes in the proficiency model whose history will be recorded.
- warehouseObj: Object of class PnetWarehouse which stores the Bayes nets, both evidence models and student models are stored here.
- waittime: Object of class numeric giving the time in seconds the main event loop should wait before checking again for messages.
- processN: Object of class numeric giving the number of times that the main loop should run before stopping. If Inf, then the main loop will run without stopping.
- manifest: Object of class data.frame which provides the manifest for the PnetWarehouse
- histnodes: Object of class character which gives the names of the nodes for whom history will be recorded.
- evidenceQueue: A list of EvidenceSet events to be processed.
- statmat: Object of class data.frame which gives the descriptions of the Statistic objects to be
 used with the net.
- activeTest: A pathname to the file whose existance will be checked to determine whether or not the engine should be considered active.

Class-Based Methods

activate(): Creates the activeTest to indicate that the process is running.

- deactivate(): Deletes the activeTest file to indicate that the process is no longer running.
- shouldHalt(): This function checks the activeTest file to see whether or not the flag is set to cause the process to halt after processing the current record..

stopWhenFinished(): This function checks the activeTest file database to see whether or not the flag is set to cause the process to stop when the event queue is empty.

studentRecords(): Returns the StudentRecordSet associated with this engine.

fetchStats(): Fetches the statistics marked in the database configuration.

fetchStats(): Fetches the statistics or information in the statmat field.

initialize(app, warehouse, listeners, profModel, waittime, statistics, histNodes, evidenceQueue, proces Initializes this class

saveManifest(manifest): This sets the internal manifest field.

fetchManifest(): This returns the internal manifest field.

fetchNextEvidence(): This returns the first evidence set from the evidenceQueue field, and removes that element from the queue.

saveStats(statmat): This saves the statistic table to the internal field.

evidenceSets(): This returns NULL

show(): This produces a printable summary.

The following methods are inherited (from the corresponding class): evidenceSets ("BNEngine"), stats ("BNEngine"), setProcessed ("BNEngine"), setManifest ("BNEngine"), activate ("BNEngine"), isActivated ("BNEngine"), saveManifest ("BNEngine"), setHistNodes ("BNEngine"), studentRecords ("BNEngine"), saveStats ("BNEngine"), fetchNextEvidence ("BNEngine"), setError ("BNEngine"), getHistNodes ("BNEngine"), warehouse ("BNEngine"), show ("BNEngine"), fetchManifest ("BNEngine"), fetchStats ("BNEngine")

Note

The assumption of this engine is that the serialized student model will be passed in along with the evidence and will be returned along with the updated statistics.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

References

Almond, Mislevy, Steinberg, Yan and Williamson (2015). *Bayesian Networks in Educational Assessment*. Springer. Especially Chapter 13.

See Also

Classes: BNEngine, BNEngineMongo

Constituent parts: StudentRecordSet, PnetWarehouse

Setup Functions: loadManifest, setupDefaultSR, configStats, baselineHist,

Main Loop Functions: mainLoop, accumulateEvidence, handleEvidence, getRecordForUser, logEvidence, updateSM, updateStats, updateHist, announceStats,

Examples

showClass("BNEngineNDB")

configStats

Description

As part of the scoring cycle, the BNEngine calculates the values of certain statistics of the student model. This function sets up those statistics.

Usage

configStats(eng, statmat = data.frame())

Arguments

eng	The BNEngine to be configured.
statmat	A data frame containing the statistic descriptions, see details.

Details

A Statistic is a functional that is applied to the student model (sm) of a StudentRecord. At the end of the evidence processing cycle, the function updateStats is called to calculate new values for the specified statistics.

The statmat argument should be a data.frame with three columns (all of mode character):

Name This column gives an identifier for the statistic used in the output message.

Fun This column gives the name of a function (see Statistic for a list of possible values) which calculates the statistic value.

Node This gives the name of a node in the competency model which is the focus of the statistic.

If the statmat argument is not supplied, then a default value based on the engine type is used. For the BNEngineMongo this data frame is taken from a table in the database. For the BNEngineNDB the default statmat is stored in a field in the engine.

Value

The modified engine argument is returned.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

References

Almond, Mislevy, Steinberg, Yan and Williamson (2015). *Bayesian Networks in Educational Assessment*. Springer. Especially Chapter 13.

doBuild

See Also

Classes: BNEngine, Statistic updateStats, announceStats

Examples

```
## Requires PNetica
library(RNetica) ## Must load to setup Netica DLL
app <- "ecd://epls.coe.fsu.edu/EITest"</pre>
sess <- RNetica::NeticaSession()</pre>
RNetica::startSession(sess)
config.dir <- file.path(library(help="Peanut")$path, "auxdata")</pre>
net.dir <- file.path(library(help="PNetica")$path,"testnets")</pre>
netman <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Nets.csv"),</pre>
                     row.names=1, stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
stattab <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Statistics.csv"),</pre>
                     as.is=TRUE)
Nethouse <- PNetica::BNWarehouse(netman,session=sess,</pre>
              address=net.dir)
cl <- new("CaptureListener")</pre>
listeners <- list("cl"=cl)</pre>
ls <- ListenerSet(sender= paste("EAEngine[",app,"]"),</pre>
                   db=MongoDB(noMongo=TRUE), listeners=listeners)
eng <- newBNEngineNDB(app=app,warehouse=Nethouse,</pre>
                      listenerSet=ls,manifest=netman,
                      profModel="miniPP_CM",
                      histNodes="Physics",
                      activeTest="EAActive.txt")
## Standard initialization methods.
configStats(eng,stattab)
stats <- eng$stats()</pre>
stopifnot(all(sapply(stats,StatName)==stattab$Name),
           all(sapply(stats,function(s) s@fun)==stattab$Fun),
           all(sapply(stats,function(s) s@node)==stattab$Node))
```

doBuild

Build or rebuild the Bayes nets for a scoring engine.

Description

This function downloads the table specifications from the internet and rebuilds the Bayesian networks for a partilar scoring application. It takes the information from the "tables" subdirectory (under config.dir and builds the nets in the "nets" subdirectory.

Usage

doBuild(sess, EA.tables, config.dir, override = FALSE)

Arguments

sess	A NeticaSession object used to build the Bayes nets.
EA.tables	A list containing configuration details. See the 'Configuration' section below.
config.dir	The pathname of the directory that contains the tables and the nets subdirectories.
override	A logical flag. If true, the code will ignore locks and rebuild the nets anyway.

Details

This program applies the scripts from the Peanut-package to rebuild the nets. It assumes the existance of five tables which describe the scoring model:

Nets.csv Manifest of all networks. See Warehouse and BNWarehouse.

Nodes.csv Manifest of all nodes in all networks. See Warehouse and NNWarehouse.

Omega.csv Description of the competency model. See Omega2Pnet.

Q.csv Description of the evidence model. See Qmat2Pnet.

Statistics.csv A description of the statistics being used. See configStats.

These are expected to reside is the "tables" subdirectory of the config.dir and have the names described above (although these details can be overriden by the configuration, see 'Configuration' below).

The following steps are followed in the rebuilding.

- 1. The tables (CSV files) are downloaded from internet sources (see Downloading Tables below) into the "tables" directory.
- 2. The tables are loaded into R and a PnetWarehouse and PnodeWarehouse are built for the models.
- 3. The Omega2Pnet script is run to build the proficiency model.
- 4. The Qmat2Pnet script is run to build the evidence models.
- 5. The nets are written out the "nets" subdirectory of config.dir. The net manifest is written to the subdirectory in the file "NetManifest.csv" and the statistic list is written in the file "StatisticList.csv". These values can be overrided with the configuration.

Value

This function is invoked for its side effects, which are stored in the "nets" subdirectory of the config.dir directory.

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Configuration

There are a large number of parameters which can be configured. These are passed in through the EA.tables argument, which is a list of parameters. The intention is that this can be read in from a JSON file (using fromJSON). In the current implementation, the EA.tables parameter set is a sub-object of the larger EA.config parameter set.

The following fields are available:

- **netdir** This is the name of the subdirectory of config.dir in which the constructed nets will be saved. Default value is "nets".
- **tabdir** This is the name of the subdirectory of config.dir in which the network specification tables are found. The default value is "tables".
- **TableID** This is a parameter passed to the download script to identify the place from which the tables should be downloaded. The intent is for this to be a Google Sheets ID such as, "16LcEuCspZjiBoZ3-Y1R3jxi1COXmh9vuTa9GwH1A_7Q".
- **downloadScript** This is the name of the script which is run to download the tables. The default value is "download.sh". See the Downloading Tables section below.
- **NetsName** This is the name (less the .csv extension) of the file containing the network manifest. The default value is "Nets".
- **NodesName** This is the name (less the .csv extension) of the file containing the node manifest. The default value is "Nodes".
- **OmegaName** This is the name (less the .csv extension) of the file containing the Omega matrix (Proficiency model specification). The default value is "Omega".
- **QName** This is the name (less the .csv extension) of the file containing the Q matrix (Evidence model specification). The default value is "Q".
- **StatName** This is the name (less the .csv extension) of the file containing the statistic list. The default value is "Statistics".
- **profModel** This is the name of the proficiency model. If no value is supplied, the value is inferred from the first non-missing value of the "Hub" column in the network manifest.
- **manifestFile** The name of the file in which the list of available networks is output. The default value is "PPManifest.csv".
- **statFile** The name of the file (in the "nets" directory) in which statistics list is output. The default value is "StatisticList.csv".

Downloading Tables

The complete specification is given in five different tables. This can be represented a five different sheets (pages) on a typical spreadsheet program. In various projects it has been useful to create a Google Sheets document with these five pages which can be accessed by the project team. Thus, one team member can make changes and the other download it. (This would probably work with a different document collaboration system, but this has not been tested.)

Google Sheets are identified by a long string in the URL. This is the "TableID" field in the EA.tables configuration list. (In theory, this could be replaced by an appropriate identifier if something other than Google Sheets was used.) The script "download.sh" (the name can be overriden in the configuration) is called using system2 with the "table" directory path and the "TableID" as arguments. It then downloads the tables.

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The bash implementation for use with Google sheets is to first define a BASEURL variable: BASEURL="https://docs.google. and then to call curl to download the sheets, e.g., curl "\${BASEURL}/gviz/tq?tqx=out:csv&sheet={Nets}" >Nets.csv.

In theory, the sheets could be downloaded directly from the URLs using read.csv, however, there were issues with that solution. This solution also allows the download.sh script to take care of any authentication which needs to be done (as the Google APIs here are a moving target).

Locking

It is probably a bad idea to rebuild the nets which a different incarnation is using the net directory to score. It is almost certainly a bad idea for two different programs to rebuild the nets in the same directory at the same time.

To prevent such clashes, the doRunrun function adds a file with the extension . lock to the directory when it is scoring. The doBuild function adds the file netbuilder.lock while it is rebuilding the nets.

If when doBuild starts, if a .lock file is found in the "nets" directory, it issues an warning, and unless the override parameter is set to TRUE it stops. Use the override only with extreme caution.

Logging

Logging is done through the futile.logger{flog.logger} mechanism. This allows logs to be save to a file.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

References

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See Also

doRunrun, configStats

Warehouse, BNWarehouse, NNWarehouse, Omega2Pnet, Qmat2Pnet,

Examples

```
## This example is in:
file.path(help(package="EABN")$path,"conf","EABuild.R")
## Not run:
## Set up config.dir, logpath and NeticaLicenseKey
source("/usr/local/share/Proc4/EAini.R")
```

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```
doRunrun
```

This runs the Evidence Accumulation Bayes net engine to scor or rescore an assessment.

Description

This is a system to run the Bayes net scoring engine, taking most of the details from a configuration file. It creates the BNEngine instance then and then runs it in either scoring or rescoring mode. Configuration information in taken from the EA.config and EAeng.local parameters.

Usage

doRunrun(appid, sess, EA.config, EAeng.local, config.dir, outdir=config.dir, override = FALSE, logfile="", noprep=FALSE)

Arguments

appid	A character string giving the global unique identifier for the application being run. This is normally formatted like a URL, and basename(app) is used as a short name.
sess	A NeticaSession object to use for the Netica link.
EA.config	A named list containing the configuration details. See the 'Configuration' section below.
EAeng.local	A named list containing additional parameters for the engine constructor. The intention that these are local configuration paramete (e.g., database names and passwords) as opposed to more global information. Note this must have an element named "dburi" which gives the URI for the database, or which should be blank if the no database engine is to be used.
config.dir	The pathname of the directory that contains the the nets subdirectories.
outdir	The pathname of the directory to which output files will be written.
override	A logical flag. If true, the code will ignore locks and restart the run anyway.

logfile	Name for the file in which to do logging.
noprep	Logical flag. If true, then the database and listener preparation steps will be
	skipped. This is for forcing a continuation without resetting the configuration.

Details

The goal is to start a run for scoring (evidence accumultion step) an assessment using the BNEngine class. This function takes care of many of the configuration details and preparatory steps and then calls mainLoop to do the major work. In particular, the steps done by this system are as follows:

- 1. Configure the listeners.
- 2. Configure the engine, including loading manifest and scoring list.
- 3. Clean old scores from the database (optional depending on configuration.)
- 4. Remove selected evidence sets from the collection. Import new evidence sets into the database and mark selected evidence as unprocessed.
- 5. Launch engine using mainLoop.
- 6. Build and register the statistics and history file.

Note that this will run in either rerun mode, where it will score an selection of existing records and stop, or in server mode where it will continue waiting for new messages until it gets a shut down signal.

Value

This returns the engine invisibly, in case the calling program wants to do something with it.

Configuration

There are a large number of parameters which can be configured. These are passed in through the EA.config argument, which is a list of parameters. The intention is that this can be read in from a JSON file (using fromJSON). The RunEABN.R script loads these from a file called config.json. A sample of this file is available on github https://github.com/ralmond/PP-EA.

The following fields are available:

- **ConfigName** An identifier for the configuration. Default value "PP-main". Documentation only, not used by doRunrun.
- **Branch** The branch name for the git branch for this configuration. Default value "PP-main". Documentation only, not used by doRunrun.
- Version A version number for the configuration. Documentation only, not used by doRunrun.
- Date A edit date for the configuration. Documentation only, not used by doRunrun.

appStem A list of app stems that will be affected. Sample value ["P4Test"].

rebuildNets A logical flag, should the nets be rebuilt. Example value true.

- **logLevel** This controls the flog.threshold. Default value "INFO". Note that doRunrun does not set the log value, that should be done in the calling script.
- **logname** This is the name of the file to which logs should be sent. Example value "EA_<app>0.log". Note that doRunrun does not set the log file, that should be done in the calling script.

- Tables This is a whole object describing the EA.tables field see doBuild.
- sender The sender field on output messages. Example value "EA_<app>".
- **Iscolname** The name of the column to which the listener set should log messages. Example value "Messages".
- listeners This is a list of listener descriptions. See the section 'Listner Configuration' below.
- SRreset Logical value, should the student records be reset before running. Example value true.
- **listenerReset** Which listeners should be reset before running. This should be a character scalar or vector. The values should be names of listeners. The special value "Self" refers to the ListenerSet object, and the special value "ALL" resets all listeners. See resetListeners. Example value "ALL".
- netdir The name of the subdirectory of config.dir which contains the nets. Default value "nets".
- **EAEngine** A complex object describing engine parameters. See the section 'Engine Configuration' below.
- filter A complex object describing how to prefilter the database. See the section 'Database Filters' below.
- extensions This should be a list of paths (relative to config.dir) containing additional R code to load. This is not used by doRunrun, but is supplied for use in scripts that might use doRunrun.
- **limitNN** An integer: how many events should be processed. Two special string values are also accepted. "ALL" will process all records currently in the database and stop. "Inf" will cause the process to run in server mode until it is shut down.
- **listenerExports** Information about data tables which should be exported at the end of the run. See generateListenerExports.

A number of these values do "<app>" substitution, that is they will substitute the string "<app>" for the short name of the application.

Listener Configruation

The listeners consist of a ListenerSet and a collection of Listener objects. The listener objects are made by using the information from the "listeners" element of the EA.config argument. This should be a list of specifications (each specification itself is a list). These are passed to buildListener, which provides some examples. The "listenerExports" part of the configuration is used to call generateListenerExports when the engine stops.

The listener set is controlled by the EAeng.local\$dburi value and the "lscolname" field. If dbuir is a name of a database, then the ListenerSet is logged into the "lscolname" collection. If dburi is null or an empty string, then the listener set will not do logging.

Engine Configruation

The type of engine used is controlled by the EAeng.local\$dburi value. If this is a URI, then the BNEngineMongo class is used. If it is null or the empty string, then the BNEngineNDB class is used instead.

The arguments to the appropriate constructor are found between the EAeng.local and EA.config\$EAEngine collections. The intent is for the former to include details (e.g., database user names and passwords)

which are local to the server on which EABN is running, and for EA.config\$EAEngine to include more public details which are local to a particular run.

See BNEngineMongo or BNEngineNDB for the expected fields. Note that the "processN" field is taken care of separately after the database operations (next section).

Database Filtering

The EA. config\$filter field controls the database filtering process. There are four steps:

Remove old records from the database.

Import new records into the database.

Purge unused records from the database.

Reprocess Reset the processed flag to ensure records get reprocessed.

These are controlled by the following elements in the EA.config\$filter list:

doRemove Logical, should records be removed before import.

remove Filter to use for removal. The value {} will remove all records for the given app.

importFile A list of filenames (in the config.dir) which contain evidence sets to be imported before scoring.

doPurge Logical, should records be removed after import.

- **purge** Filter for the purging (after import removal). Leaving this empty will probably not be satisfactory.
- **doReprocess** Logical, should existing records have the processed flag cleared? Typically TRUE for rerun mode and FALSE for server mode.
- **reprocess** Filter for the selected records to be marked for reprocessing. The value {} will mark all records (for this app) for reprocessing.

Locking

It is probably a bad idea to rebuild the nets which a different incarnation is using the net directory to score. It is almost certainly a bad idea for two different programs to rebuild the nets in the same directory at the same time.

To prevent such clashes, the doRunrun function adds a file with the extension . lock to the directory when it is scoring. The doBuild function adds the file netbuilder.lock while it is rebuilding the nets.

If when doBuild starts, if a .lock file is found in the "nets" directory, it issues an warning, and unless the override parameter is set to TRUE it stops. Use the override only with extreme caution.

The BNEngineMongo version also checks the database for a running flag. If it is found, then again the engine will not start unless the override flag is true.

Data Files

If the value of EA.config\$statListener is not null, then the final statistic values for all users are put into a table which is exported (to the file EA.config\$statfile).

If the value of EA.config\$histListener is not null, then the history of all statistic values for all users are put into a table which is exported (to the file EA.config\$histfile).

Both the statfile and histfile are registered using the ListenerSet\$registerOutput method.

Logging

Logging is done through the futile.logger{flog.logger} mechanism. This allows logs to be save to a file.

The "logLevel" and "logname" fields are put in the configuration specification to assist scripts in configuring the logging system.

Both the log file is registered using the ListenerSet\$registerOutput method.

Note

This function is meant to be called by the RunEABN.R script found in the config directory. (file.path(help(package="EABN") The shell script EABN found in the same directory will run this script.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

References

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See Also

BNEngine, mainLoop, doBuild

resetProcessedMessages, cleanMessageQueue, importMessages

ListenerSet, buildListenerSet, generateListenerExports, resetListeners

Examples

```
## This example is in:
file.path(help(package="EABN")$path,"conf","RunEABN.R")
## Not run:
library(R.utils)
library(EABN)
library(PNetica)
appStem <- cmdArg("app",NULL)</pre>
if (FALSE) {
  appStem <- "userControl"</pre>
}
source("/usr/local/share/Proc4/EAini.R")
EA.config <- jsonlite::fromJSON(file.path(config.dir,"config.json"),FALSE)
app <- as.character(Proc4.config$apps[appStem])</pre>
if (length(app)==0L || any(app=="NULL")) {
  stop("Could not find app for ",appStem)
}
```

End(Not run)

EvidenceSet

Creates an Evidence Set Message

Description

An EvidenceSet is a P4Message which contains observable variables for the Bayes net engine. It provides the observables associated with a single scoring context.

Usage

```
EvidenceSet(uid, context, timestamp = Sys.time(), obs = list(), app =
"default", mess = "Accumulate", sender = "EI", processed = FALSE)
```

Arguments

uid	A character scalar giving unique identifier for the student/player.
context	A character scalar giving a unique identifier for the scoring context (often game level or task).
timestamp	The time at which the evidence was recorded (POSIXt format).
obs	A named list giving the observable variables. The names and legal values correspond to the context and app values.
арр	A character scalar giving the globally unique identifier of the application.
mess	A character scalar giving the message associated with the observables. (Part of the Proc 4 procotol).
sender	A character scalar giving the identity of the process which created the message. This will usually be an evidence identification process.
processed	A flag that is set when the evidence set has been processed.

EvidenceSet-class

Details

Aside from the seqno field, this is pretty much a generic P4Message. The data of the P4Message is the observables value fo the EvidenceSet.

Value

An object of class EvidenceSet.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

See Also

Class: EvidenceSet Methods: observables, seqno, parseEvidence

Using classes: StudentRecord

Examples

EvidenceSet-class Class "EvidenceSet"

Description

An EvidenceSet is a collection of observables that comes from a particular context (scoring window, task). It also has information about where it appears in the sequence of evidence that is recorded about a student. It is an extension of the P4Message class.

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created calls to the function EvidenceSet(uid, context, timestamp, obs, app, mess, sender).

seqno: Object of class "integer" which contains the order in which this object was processed.

_id: Object of class "character" which contains the database ID.

app: Object of class "character" which gives a guid for the application.

uid: Object of class "character" which gives an id for the student.

context: Object of class "character" which gives an id for the scoring context.

sender: Object of class "character" which gives an ID for the source of the evidence.

mess: Object of class "character" which gives a message about what is contained in the message.

timestamp: Object of class "POSIXt" which tells when the evidence was collected.

processed: Object of class "logical" which is a flag to tell of the evidence has been incorporated into the StudentRecord.

pError: Object of class "ANY" which contains processing error.

data: Named list which contains the evidence.

Extends

Class "P4Message", directly.

Methods

- **as.jlist** signature(obj = "EvidenceSet", ml = "list"): This is a helper function used in serialization. See as.json.
- observables signature(x = "EvidenceSet"): returns a named list of observables (the data)
 field.

seqno signature(x = "EvidenceSet"): returns the sequence number.

seqno<- signature(x = "EvidenceSet"): sets the sequence number.</pre>

show signature(object = "EvidenceSet"): prints a summary of the evidence set.

toString signature(x = "EvidenceSet"): provides a summary string for the evidence set.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

See Also

StudentRecord, accumulateEvidence, handleEvidence, logEvidence,
parseEvidence, seqno, observables

Examples

showClass("EvidenceSet")

fetchSM

Description

The function fetchSM retrieves the student model from a PnetWarehouse or if not there, attempts to recreate it from a serialized version. The function unpackSM does this unpacking.

Usage

```
fetchSM(sr, warehouse)
unpackSM(sr, warehouse)
```

Arguments

sr	An object of class StudentRecord whose student model we wish to retrieve
warehouse	A PnetWarehouse which stores the student models.

Details

The StudentRecord object has two fields related to student models: sm and smser. The former contains the actual student model or NULL if it has not yet been initialized or restored from the database. The latter contains a character string which contains a serialized version of the student model. In particular, it is this serialized student model which is stored in the database, not the actual student model.

The function fetchSM is used to set the sm field. It checks the following places in order:

- 1. It looks in the warehouse for a student net for the given uid for the record.
- 2. It calls unpackSM to unpack the serialized record.

The function unpackSM is wrapper for the function WarehouseUnpack.

Value

The function fetchSM returns the modified StudentRecord.

The function unpackSM returns the student model (a Pnet).

Author(s)

Russell Almond

See Also

StudentRecord

PnetWarehouse, WarehouseUnpack

Examples

```
library(PNetica)
##Start with manifest
sess <- RNetica::NeticaSession()</pre>
RNetica::startSession(sess)
## BNWarehouse is the PNetica Net Warehouse.
## This provides an example network manifest.
config.dir <- file.path(library(help="Peanut")$path, "auxdata")</pre>
netman1 <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Nets.csv"),</pre>
                      row.names=1, stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
net.dir <- file.path(library(help="PNetica")$path, "testnets")</pre>
Nethouse <- PNetica::BNWarehouse(manifest=netman1,session=sess,key="Name",</pre>
                         address=net.dir)
dsr <- StudentRecord("*DEFAULT*",app="ecd://epls.coe.fsu.edu/P4Test",</pre>
                       context="*Baseline*")
sm(dsr) <- WarehouseSupply(Nethouse, "miniPP_CM")</pre>
PnetCompile(sm(dsr))
## dsr <- updateStats(eng,dsr)</pre>
statmat <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir,"Mini-PP-Statistics.csv"),</pre>
                     stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
rownames(statmat) <- statmat$Name</pre>
statlist <- sapply(statmat$Name,function (st)</pre>
    Statistic(statmat[st, "Fun"], statmat[st, "Node"], st))
names(statlist) <- statmat$Name</pre>
dsr@stats <- lapply(statlist,
                      function (stat) calcStat(stat,sm(dsr)))
names(dsr@stats) <- names(statlist)</pre>
## dsr <- baselineHist(eng,dsr)</pre>
```

```
pnodenames <- names(PnetPnodes(sm(dsr)))</pre>
```

```
## Serialization and unserialization
dsr.ser <- as.json(dsr)</pre>
```

```
dsr1 <- parseStudentRecord(jsonlite::fromJSON(dsr.ser))
stopifnot(is.null(sm(dsr1)))
## at this point, SM has not yet been restored.</pre>
```

```
## It is there in the serial field
net1 <- unpackSM(dsr1,Nethouse)
stopifnot(all.equal(pnodenames,names(PnetPnodes(net1))))</pre>
```

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```
dsr1 <- fetchSM(dsr1,Nethouse)
stopifnot(all.equal(pnodenames,names(PnetPnodes(sm(dsr1)))))
## Try this again, but first delete net from warehouse,
## So we are sure we are building it from serialized version.
WarehouseFree(Nethouse,PnetName(sm(dsr)))
dsr1 <- parseStudentRecord(jsonlite::fromJSON(dsr.ser))
stopifnot(is.null(sm(dsr1)))
## at this point, SM has not yet been restored.
## It is there in the serial field
net1 <- unpackSM(dsr1,Nethouse)
stopifnot(all.equal(pnodenames,names(PnetPnodes(net1))))
dsr1 <- fetchSM(dsr1,Nethouse)
stopifnot(all.equal(pnodenames,names(PnetPnodes(sm(dsr1)))))</pre>
```

getRecordForUser Gets or makes the student record for a given student.

Description

The BNEngine contains a StudentRecordSet, which is a collection of StudentRecord objects. The function getRecordForUser fetches one from the collection (if it exists) or creates a new one.

Usage

```
getRecordForUser(eng, uid, srser = NULL)
```

Arguments

eng	The BNEngine in question.
uid	A character scalar giving the unique identifier for the student.
srser	A serialized version of the student record. Used to extract the student record in database-free mode. This should either be a list which is the output of fromJSON or NULL.

Details

The student record set can either be attached to a database (the dburi field passed to StudentRecordSet is non-empty, or not. In the database mode, recrods are saved in the database, so that they can be retrieved across sessions. In the database-free mode, the serialized student record (if it exists) should be passed into the getRecordForUser function.

If no student record is available for the uid, then a new one is created by cloning the default student record (see setupDefaultSR).

This function mostly just calls getSR on the StudentRecordSet; however, if a new record is generated, then announceStats is called to advertise the baseline statistics for the new user.

Value

The StudentRecord object is returned.

Warning

Calling this multiple times will not return the same student record. In particular, the student model associated with the old version of the record could be replaced with a new version, rendering the student model in the old records inactive. Be careful when dealing with old records.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

References

Almond, Mislevy, Steinberg, Yan and Williamson (2015). *Bayesian Networks in Educational Assessment*. Springer. Especially Chapter 13.

See Also

BNEngine, StudentRecordSet, StudentRecord handleEvidence, setupDefaultSR, fetchSM, getSR

Examples

library(PNetica)

##Start with manifest
sess <- RNetica::NeticaSession()
RNetica::startSession(sess)</pre>

listenerSet=ls,manifest=netman,

getSR

```
profModel="miniPP_CM",
                      histNodes="Physics",
                      statmat=stattab,
                      activeTest="EAActive.txt")
## Standard initialization methods.
loadManifest(eng,netman1)
eng$setHistNodes("Physics")
configStats(eng,stattab)
setupDefaultSR(eng)
sr0a <- getRecordForUser(eng,"Student1")</pre>
sr0 <- getRecordForUser(eng, "Student1")</pre>
## This is announcing twice, so not quite working with NDB engine.
stopifnot(is.active(sm(sr0)),!is.active(sm(sr0a)))
stopifnot(all.equal(stats(sr0),stats(sr0a)))
eap0<- stat(sr0,"Physics_EAP")</pre>
e1 <- EvidenceSet(uid="Student1",app="Test",context="PPcompEM",</pre>
                   obs=list("CompensatoryObs"="Right"))
e1 <- logEvidence(eng,sr0,e1)</pre>
sr1 <- accumulateEvidence(eng,sr0,e1)</pre>
stopifnot(m_id(sr1)!=m_id(sr0), sr1@prev_id==m_id(sr0))
stopifnot(seqno(sr1)==1L, seqno(e1)==1L)
eap1 <- stat(sr1,"Physics_EAP")</pre>
stopifnot(abs(eap1-eap0) > .001)
stopifnot(nrow(history(sr1,"Physcis"))==2L)
sr1.ser <- as.json(sr1)</pre>
WarehouseFree(Nethouse,PnetName(sm(sr1))) # Delete student model to
                                              # force restore.
sr1a <- getRecordForUser(eng,"Student1",jsonlite::fromJSON(sr1.ser))</pre>
#PnetCompile(sm(sr1a))
eap1a <- stat(sr1a,"Physics_EAP")</pre>
stopifnot(abs(eap1-eap1a) < .001)</pre>
stopifnot(nrow(history(sr1a,"Physcis"))==2L)
```

<<Here>> Need test with Mongo engine

Save and retrieve student records from a record set.

Description

A StudentRecordSet is a collection of StudentRecord objects. The function getSR fetches one from the collection if it exists. The function newSR creates a new one. The function saveSR saves the student record, and clearSRs clears out the saved student records.

Usage

```
getSR(srs, uid, ser = "")
newSR(srs, uid, timestamp = Sys.time())
saveSR(srs, rec)
clearSRs(srs)
```

Arguments

srs	The StudentRecordSet in question.
uid	A character scalar giving the unique identifier for the student.
ser	A serialized version of the student record. Used to extract the student record in database-free mode. This should either be a list which is the output of fromJSON or NULL.
rec	A StudentRecord to be saved.
timestamp	A POSIXt datetime indicating the last modification date of the record.

Details

The student record set can either be attached to a database (the dbur i field passed to StudentRecordSet is non-empty, or not. In the database mode, recrods are saved in the database, so that they can be retrieved across sessions. In the database-free mode, the serialized student record (if it exists) should be passed into the getSR function.

The functions operate as follows:

- getSR If the ser argument is not NULL, then the serialized student record is used to fetch the student record. Otherwise, the database (if it exists) is searched for a student record with the proper application and user ids. Then fetchSM is called to fetch the student model. If both of those methods fail, it returns NULL.
- newSR This creates a new StudentRecord from the defaultSR field of the student record set (see setupDefaultSR). The function saveSR is called to save the new record.
- saveSR If the database exists, the student record is saved to the database. Otherwise, if no m_id exists for the record one is created from the uid and seqno.

clearSRs In database mode, it clears the database. Otherwise, nothing is done.

Value

The functions getSR, newSR and saveSR return the student record or NULL if the record was not found or created.

The function clearSRs returns the student record set (its argument).

getSR

Author(s)

Russell Almond

See Also

Classes: BNEngine, StudentRecordSet, StudentRecord Functions: handleEvidence, setupDefaultSR, fetchSM, StudentRecordSet

Examples

```
## Not run:
## Requires PNetica
library(PNetica) ## Must load to setup Netica DLL
app <- "ecd://epls.coe.fsu.edu/EITest"</pre>
sess <- RNetica::NeticaSession()</pre>
RNetica::startSession(sess)
config.dir <- file.path(library(help="Peanut")$path, "auxdata")</pre>
net.dir <- file.path(library(help="PNetica")$path,"testnets")</pre>
netman <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Nets.csv"),</pre>
                     row.names=1, stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
stattab <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Statistics.csv"),</pre>
                     as.is=TRUE)
Nethouse <- PNetica::BNWarehouse(netman,session=sess,</pre>
              address=net.dir)
cl <- new("CaptureListener")</pre>
listeners <- list("cl"=cl)</pre>
ls <- ListenerSet(sender= paste("EAEngine[",app,"]"),</pre>
                   db=MongoDB(noMongo=TRUE), listeners=listeners)
eng <- newBNEngineNDB(app=app,warehouse=Nethouse,</pre>
                      listenerSet=ls,manifest=netman,
                      profModel="miniPP_CM",
                      histNodes="Physics",
                      statmat=stattab,
                      activeTest="EAActive.txt")
## Standard initialization methods.
loadManifest(eng,netman)
eng$setHistNodes("Physics")
configStats(eng,stattab)
setupDefaultSR(eng)
tr1 <- newSR(eng$studentRecords(), "Test1")</pre>
PnetCompile(sm(tr1))
stopifnot(uid(tr1)=="Test1",abs(stat(tr1,"Physics_EAP")) < .0001)</pre>
stopifnot(is.na(m_id(tr1))) # id is NA as it has not been saved yet.
```

```
tr1 <- saveSR(eng$studentRecords(),tr1)</pre>
m_id(tr1)
stopifnot(!is.na(m_id(tr1))) # Now set
sr0 <- getRecordForUser(eng,"S1")</pre>
eap0 <- stat(sr0,"Physics_EAP")</pre>
e1 <- EvidenceSet(uid="S1",app="Test",context="PPcompEM",</pre>
                   obs=list("CompensatoryObs"="Right"))
e1 <- logEvidence(eng,sr0,e1)</pre>
sr1 <- accumulateEvidence(eng,sr0,e1)</pre>
stopifnot(m_id(sr1)!=m_id(sr0),sr1@prev_id==m_id(sr0))
stopifnot(seqno(sr1)==1L, seqno(e1)==1L)
eap1 <- stat(sr1,"Physics_EAP")</pre>
stopifnot(abs(eap1-eap0) > .001)
stopifnot(nrow(history(sr1,"Physcis"))==2L)
sr1.ser <- as.json(sr1)</pre>
WarehouseFree(Nethouse,PnetName(sm(sr1))) # Delete student model to
                                               # force restore.
sr1a <- getSR(eng$studentRecords(),"S1",fromJSON(sr1.ser))</pre>
PnetCompile(sm(sr1a))
eap1a <- stat(sr1a,"Physics_EAP")</pre>
stopifnot(abs(eap1-eap1a) < .001)</pre>
stopifnot(nrow(history(sr1a, "Physcis"))==2L)
## End(Not run)
## Not run:
## <<Here>> Need test with Mongo implementation
library(PNetica) ## Must load to setup Netica DLL
app <- "ecd://epls.coe.fsu.edu/EITest"</pre>
sess <- RNetica::NeticaSession()</pre>
RNetica::startSession(sess)
config.dir <- file.path(library(help="Peanut")$path, "auxdata")</pre>
net.dir <- file.path(library(help="PNetica")$path,"testnets")</pre>
netman <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Nets.csv"),</pre>
                      row.names=1, stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
stattab <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Statistics.csv"),</pre>
                      as.is=TRUE)
Nethouse <- PNetica::BNWarehouse(netman,session=sess,</pre>
              address=net.dir)
cl <- new("CaptureListener")</pre>
listeners <- list("cl"=cl)</pre>
```

history

```
## Standard initialization methods.
loadManifest(eng,netman)
eng$setHistNodes("Physics")
configStats(eng,stattab)
setupDefaultSR(eng)
```

End(Not run)

history

Retrieves node histories from a Student Record

Description

A history is a data.frame whose rows correspond to EvidenceSet objects and whose columns correspond to the states of a Pnode. Each row is a probability distribution, and they show the changes to the probabilities over time.

The function history returns the history for a single node in a given StudentRecord. The function histNames returns the names of the nodes for which the record has history information.

Usage

```
history(sr, name)
histNames(sr)
```

Arguments

sr	A StudentRecord whose history is to be accessed.
name	The name of the node whose history is requested.

Details

When the student record is first initialized, the function baselineHist is called to setup "*BASE-LINE*" values for each of the history nodes identified by the BNEngine. These are data.frame objects giving the prior marginal distributions for each of the identified variables.

After the student model is updated in response to evidence (see handleEvidence, the updateHist function is called to add a new row to each of the data frames.

The histNames function returns the names of the history nodes being tracked by a student model. The history function returns the history for a node.

Value

The function histNames returns a list of node names. These are suitable for the name argument of the history function.

The function history returns a data frame with rows corresponding to evidence sets and columns corresponding to states of the variables. Each row is a marginal probability distribution.

Note

These are designed to work with the functions woeHist and woeBal in the CPTtools-package.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

See Also

StudentRecord for student records. baselineHist and updateHist for history construction. BNEngine for specifying the history nodes. woeHist and woeBal for applications.

Examples

library(PNetica)

##Start with manifest
sess <- RNetica::NeticaSession()
RNetica::startSession(sess)</pre>

loadManifest

```
context="*Baseline*")
sm(dsr) <- WarehouseSupply(Nethouse, "miniPP_CM")</pre>
PnetCompile(sm(dsr))
## dsr <- updateStats(eng,dsr)</pre>
statmat <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir,"Mini-PP-Statistics.csv"),</pre>
                     stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
rownames(statmat) <- statmat$Name</pre>
statlist <- sapply(statmat$Name,function (st)</pre>
    Statistic(statmat[st, "Fun"], statmat[st, "Node"], st))
names(statlist) <- statmat$Name</pre>
dsr@stats <- lapply(statlist,</pre>
                      function (stat) calcStat(stat,sm(dsr)))
names(dsr@stats) <- names(statlist)</pre>
stat(dsr,"Physics_EAP")
stat(dsr,"Physics_Margin")
## dsr <- baselineHist(eng,dsr)</pre>
dsr@hist <- lapply(c("Physics"),</pre>
                       function (nd)
                       EABN:::uphist(sm(dsr),nd,NULL,"*Baseline*"))
names(dsr@hist) <- "Physics"</pre>
stopifnot(histNames(dsr)=="Physics")
history(dsr,"Physics")
```

loadManifest	Loads the mainifest for the compentency and evidence models in the
	BNEngine

Description

This sets the manifest of networks used in the scoring engine. In particular, it sets the WarehouseManifest of the PnetWarehouse associated with a BNEngine.

Usage

```
loadManifest(eng, manifest = data.frame())
```

Arguments

eng	A BNEngine whose manifest is to be set.
manifest	A dataframe containing a network manifest (see BuildNetManifest). If miss-
	ing, then the manifest will be retrieved from the database or other cached source.

Details

The BNEngine requires a proficiency or competency model (which is used to build student models) and a collection of evidence models (one for each scoring context) which are all expressed as Pnets. The manifest is basically a table of which evidence model networks go with which scoring contexts. The proficienty model usually serves as the hub in the hub-and-spoke framework. (In fact, if the profModel argument is not supplied when the BNEngine is built, the engine will look for a network which has no hub in the manifest.

In fact, the manifest is part of the PnetWarehouse which is a field of the engine. It should have the format associate with manifests described in WarehouseManifest. Note that the Bayes nets should have already been built, so the the warehouse should point to where they can be loaded from the filesystem on demand.

For the BNEngineMongo, the default manifest is located in a table in the database. If no manifest is supplied, then the manifest is read from the database. For the BNEngineNDB, the manifest must be specified manually when the engine is contructed (or when loadManifest is called).

Value

This function returns the engine argument.

Note

The loadManifest call is part of the initialization sequence for the BNEngine. However, if the manifest is loaded into the PnetWarehouse as it is built, it is really redundant.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

References

Almond, Mislevy, Steinberg, Yan and Williamson (2015). *Bayesian Networks in Educational Assessment*. Springer. Especially Chapter 13.

See Also

Classes: BNEngine, BNEngineMongo, BNEngineNDB, PnetWarehouse Functions: WarehouseManifest, BuildNetManifest

Examples

```
## Not run:
## Requires PNetica
library(PNetica) ## Must load to setup Netica DLL
app <- "ecd://epls.coe.fsu.edu/EITest"
sess <- RNetica::NeticaSession()
RNetica::startSession(sess)
```

```
config.dir <- file.path(library(help="Peanut")$path, "auxdata")
net.dir <- file.path(library(help="PNetica")$path,"testnets")</pre>
```

```
netman <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Nets.csv"),</pre>
                     row.names=1, stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
stattab <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Statistics.csv"),</pre>
                     as.is=TRUE)
## Deliberately build warehouse without empty manifest.
Nethouse <- PNetica::BNWarehouse(session=sess,</pre>
             address=net.dir)
cl <- new("CaptureListener")</pre>
listeners <- list("cl"=cl)</pre>
ls <- ListenerSet(sender= paste("EAEngine[",app,"]"),</pre>
                   db=MongoDB(noMongo=TRUE), listeners=listeners)
eng <- newBNEngineNDB(app=app,warehouse=Nethouse,</pre>
                      listenerSet=ls,manifest=netman,
                      profModel="miniPP_CM",
                      histNodes="Physics",
                      statmat=stattab,
                      activeTest="EAActive.txt")
stopifnot(nrow(WarehouseManifest(eng$warehouse())) == 0L)
## Standard initialization methods.
loadManifest(eng,netman)
stopifnot(nrow(WarehouseManifest(eng$warehouse())) == 5L)
## End(Not run)
```

logEvidence

Handle the relationship between evidence sets and student records.

Description

A StudentRecord differs from the baseline student record according to how many EvidenceSet objects have been incorporated into the estimate. These functions tie and student record and evidence set together.

Usage

```
logEvidence(eng, rec, evidMess)
seqno(x)
seqno(x) <- value
evidence(x)
evidence(x) <- value</pre>
```

Arguments

eng	A BNEngine which is currently not used (could later be used to save the evidence to a database).
rec	A StudentRecord into which the evidence will be incorporated.
evidMess	A EvidenceSet which will be associated with the student record.
x	An EvidenceSet object.
value	For seqno(x) <- value, an integer giving a new sequence number. For evidence(x) <- value, a character vector giving the sequence of evidence ID.

Details

There are several fields in the StudentRecord class which need to be updeated in the face of new evidence.

context and timestamp These needs to be set to the values in the new evidence message.

seqno This needs to be incremented.

evidence The new evidence needs to be prepended to this list.

prev_id and ''_id'' The prev_id needs to point to the old field and the "_id" is set to NA (it will be updated on save).

In the case of the BNEngineMongo, the IDs in question are the database ids for these objects so that they can be easily found. The function m_id For the BNEngineNDB case presumably some external system is issuing IDs to evidence sets and student records.

The evidence field of a StudentRecord is a list of IDs (m_id) for the accumulated evidence.

The seqno field is an optional ordering used to track the order in which evidence sets were incorporated into the student model. The value of seqno gives the number of evidence sets incorporated into the recrod.

The logEvidence function sets the sequence number of the evidence message to one more than the last sequence number for the student record. If no m_id exists for the record (no database mode), then one is generated by concatenating the uid and the seque.

Value

The updateRecord returns a new StudentRecord object, which points back to the old one.

The logEvidence function returns the modified EvidenceSet.

The function seqno returns an integer (or NA if has not been set).

The function evidence returns a character vector giving the IDs (m_id) of the encorpated evidence sets.

Note

This is largely untested code for future fast retraction of evidence.

The prev_id field of the StudentRecord should leave a trace of previous student records in the database, including old serialized models. This should allow the scoring engine to quickly jump back in time.

logEvidence

The evidence field provides a list of the m_ids of all the incorporated evidence sets. This should enable one or more evidence sets to be replaced and the student model to be recalculated.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

See Also

BNEngine, EvidenceSet, EvidenceSet StudentRecord, handleEvidence P4Message

Examples

```
sess <- RNetica::NeticaSession()</pre>
RNetica::startSession(sess)
Nethouse <- PNetica::BNWarehouse(sess=sess)</pre>
recset <- StudentRecordSet(warehouse=Nethouse,db=MongoDB(noMongo=TRUE))</pre>
sr0 <-
    StudentRecord("S1", "*baseline*", as.POSIXct("2020-03-30 09:00:00"))
seqno(sr0) <- 0
sr0 <- saveSR(recset,sr0) # Sets the m_id</pre>
e1 <- EvidenceSet(uid="S1",app="Test",context="PPcompEM",</pre>
                   obs=list("CompensatoryObs"="Right"))
e2 <- EvidenceSet(uid="S1",app="Test",context="PPdurAttEM",</pre>
                   obs=list("Attempts"=2,"Duration"=38.3))
stopifnot(is.na(seqno(e1)), seqno(sr0)==0L)
stopifnot(length(evidence(sr0))==0L)
e1 <- logEvidence(NULL,sr0,e1)</pre>
stopifnot(seqno(e1)==1L,!is.na(m_id(e1)))
sr1 <- updateRecord(sr0,e1)</pre>
stopifnot(is.na(m_id(sr1)),sr1@prev_id==m_id(sr0))
sr1 <- saveSR(recset,sr1) # Sets the m_id</pre>
stopifnot(length(evidence(sr1))==1L,any(m_id(e1)==evidence(sr1)))
stopifnot(context(sr1)==context(e1),timestamp(sr1)==timestamp(e1))
e2 <- logEvidence(NULL,sr1,e2)</pre>
stopifnot(seqno(e2)==2L,!is.na(m_id(e2)))
sr2 <- updateRecord(sr1,e2)</pre>
stopifnot(is.na(m_id(sr2)),sr2@prev_id==m_id(sr1))
sr2 <- saveSR(recset,sr2) # Sets the m_id</pre>
stopifnot(length(evidence(sr2))==2L,any(m_id(e2)==evidence(sr2)))
```

logIssue

Manage error messages associated with a StudentRecord.

Description

The function logIssue() adds an issue to a StudentRecord. The function getIssues() returns a list of issues.

Usage

```
logIssue(sr, issue)
## S4 method for signature 'StudentRecord,ANY'
logIssue(sr,issue)
## S4 method for signature 'StudentRecord,character'
logIssue(sr,issue)
getIssues(sr)
## S4 method for signature 'StudentRecord'
getIssues(sr)
```

Arguments

sr	A StudentRecord object to be examined or modified.
issue	An issue to be logged. This should be a character object or something which can be coerced to a character object.

Details

The idea is to be able to log error messages and warning which occur when processing evidence for this person. These are converted to strings, so they can be saved

Value

The function getIssues() returns a character vector containing the encountered issues.

The function logIssue() returns the modified student record.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

See Also

StudentRecord, markAsError

mainLoop

Examples

```
sr0 <-
StudentRecord("S1","*baseline*",as.POSIXct("2020-03-30 09:00:00"))
sr0 <- logIssue(sr0,"Test Issue")
err <- simpleError("Another test error.")
sr0 <- logIssue(sr0,err)
getIssues(sr0)</pre>
```

mainLoop

This function loops through the processing of evidence sets.

Description

The mainLoop is used when the BNEngine is used as a server. It checks the queue (database or internal list), for unprocessed EvidenceSet objects, and calls handleEvidence on them in the order of their timestamps. As a server, this is potentially an infinite loop, see details for ways of gracefully terminating the loop.

Usage

mainLoop(eng, N=NULL)

Arguments

eng	An BNEngine which will handle the evidence sets.
Ν	If supplied, this should be an integer. The loop will then handle that many cycles before quitting.

Details

The evidenceQueue field of the BNEngine class is an object of type MessageQueue. All events have a processed field which is set to true when the evidence set is processed. The function fetchNextMessage fetches the oldest unprocessed evidence set, while markAsProcessed sets the processed flag.

The mainLoop function iterates over the following steps.

- 1. Fetch the oldest unprocessed Event: eve <- fetchNextMessage(eng).
- Process the evidence set: out <- handleEvidence(eng,eve). (Note: this expression will always return. If it generates an error, the error will be logged and an object of class try-error will be returned.)
- 3. Mark the event as processed: markAsProcessed(eng, eve).

At its simplest level, the funciton produces an infinite loop over these three statements, with some additional steps related to logging and control.

First, if the event queue is empty, the process sleeps for a time given by eng\$waittime and then checks the queue again. At the same time, it checks status of the active flag for the process using the eng\$stopWhenFinished() call. If this returns true and the queue is empty, processing will terminate.

To facilitate testing, the field eng\$processN can be set to a finite value. This number is decremented at every cycle, and when it reaches 0, the mainLoop is terminated, whether or not their are any remaining events to be processed. Setting eng\$processN to an infinite value, will result in an infinite loop that can only be stopped by using the active flag (or interrupting the process).

Value

There is no return value. The function is used entirely for its side effects.

Activation

When the loop begins, it calls the eng\$activate() method to mark the engine as active. When the loop finishes (outside of the main try/catch block, so it should always return), it calls the eng\$deactivate() method to signal that the engine has terminated.

External processes can signal the engine through the eng\$shouldHalt() and eng\$stopWhenFinished(). The former is checked every iteration, and the main loop halts when it becomes true. This allows for an immediate stop when needed. The latter is checked only when the queue is empty and details whether or not the process should continue to wait for more messages in the queue.

Database Engine. For the Mongo engine (BNEngineMongo) the communication channel is the AuthorizedApps collection in the administrative database. In particular, the EAsignal field is read by both methods. The eng\$activate() method changes the value of that field to "Running". Changing the value of the field to "Halt" will cause the eng\$shouldHalt() to be true triggering a halt before processing the next evidence set. Changing the value of that field to "Finish" will eng\$stopWhenFinished() to be true, causing the loop to stop then the queue is empty.

The following command issues from the Mongo shell will shut down the server for an application containing the string "appName" as part of its name (note "Halt" could be replaced with "finish").

db.AuthorizedApps.update({app:{\$regex:"appName"}}, {\$set:{"EAsignal":"Halt"}});

No Database Engine. For the Mongo engine (BNEngineMongo) the communication channel is a file named activeTest. The name (extension) of this file is changed to produce the signals. The eng\$activate() method creates it with the extension .running. Changing the extension to .finish or .halt will send the appropriate signal. The eng\$deactive() method removes the file.

Note

Currently, when running in server model (i.e., with eng\$processN set to infinity), there are two ways of stopping the engine: a clean stop after all events are processed using the active flag, and an immediate stop, possibly mid cycle, by killing the server process. It became apparent during testing that there was a need for a graceful but immediate stop, i.e., a stop after processing the current event. This should appear in later versions.

observables

Author(s)

Russell Almond

See Also

BNEngine, BNEngineMongo, BNEngineNDB, MessageQueue fetchNextMessage, handleEvidence, markAsProcessed

Examples

```
## Not run:
## From EABN.R script
 app <- "ecd://epls.coe.fsu.edu/P4test"</pre>
 loglevel <- "DEBUG"</pre>
source("/usr/local/share/Proc4/EAini.R")
futile.logger::flog.appender(appender.file(logfile))
futile.logger::flog.threshold(loglevel)
sess <- NeticaSession(LicenseKey=NeticaLicenseKey)</pre>
startSession(sess)
listeners <- lapply(names(EA.listenerSpecs),</pre>
                     function (11) do.call(11,EA.listenerSpecs[[11]]))
names(listeners) <- names(EA.listenerSpecs)</pre>
eng <- do.call(BNEngineMongo,</pre>
              c(EAeng.params,list(session=sess,listeners=listeners),
                EAeng.common))
loadManifest(eng)
configStats(eng)
setupDefaultSR(eng)
## Activate engine (if not already activated.)
eng$activate()
mainLoop(eng)
## Wait for cows to come home.
## End(Not run)
```

observables

Access parts of an evidence set message.

Description

The function observables access the list of observables contained in this EvidenceSet. The function seqno access the order in which the evidence sets were incorporated into the student record.

Usage

observables(x)

Arguments

x An EvidenceSet object.

Details

The observables function access the data field of the underlying P4Message. This should be a named list of values that the BNEngine knows how to process.

Value

The function observables returns a named list of observable values.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

See Also

EvidenceSet, EvidenceSet StudentRecord, handleEvidence P4Message

Examples

stopifnot(all.equal(observables(e2)\$Attempts,2))

```
stopifnot(is.na(seqno(e1)))
seqno(e1) <- 1
stopifnot(seqno(e1)==1L)</pre>
```

parseEvidence

Description

The as.json function takes an EvidenceSet (among other objects) and turns it into JSON. The function parseEvidence takes the list produced as the output to fromJSON and turns it back into an EvidenceSet object.

Usage

```
parseEvidence(rec)
## S4 method for signature 'EvidenceSet,list'
as.jlist(obj, ml, serialize=TRUE)
```

Arguments

rec	A list which comes from running fromJSON on a JSON string, or database ex- traction method.
obj	The object being serialized; usually attributes(obj).
ml	A list of fields of the object.
serialize	A logical flag. If true, serializeJSON is used to protect the data field (and other objects which might contain complex R code.

Details

See the description for as. json for more description of the JSON conversion prototocl.

The parseEvidence method is designed to be used with the getOneRec and getManyRecs functions for fetching information from the database.

Value

The function parseEvidence returns an object of class EvidenceSet.

The as.jlist method returns a list which can be passed to toJSON to produce legible JSON from the R object.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

See Also

EvidenceSet, as.json, getOneRec, getManyRecs

Examples

parseStats

Functions for (un)serializing stats from student records.

Description

The functions unparseStats and stats2json serialize the statistics as a JSON record. The function parseStats reverses the process.

Usage

```
parseStats(slist)
unparseStats(slist, flatten=FALSE)
stats2json(slist, flatten=FALSE)
```

Arguments

slist	A list of statistics. For parseStats this should be the output of fromJSON. For the others, this is just a list of statistic values.
flatten	If true, then vector-valued statistics (i.e., PnodeMargin, will have their values flattened into scalars. If not they will be left as vectors,

Details

The function unparseStats massages the list of statistics so it will be output in clean JSON (in particular, using unboxer to make sure scalars appear as scalars and not vectors). The function stats2json is just toJSON(unparseStats(slist)).

If flatten is true, then vector value statics will be flattened. For example, if the statistic "Physics_Margin" has three values with labels "High", "Medium", and "Low", then it will be replaced with three statistics with the names "Physics_Margin.High", "Physics_Margin.Medium", and "Physics_Margin.Low".

The function parseStatistics is designed to reverse the process.

Value

The function unparseStats returns a list which is ready to be passed to toJSON. In particular, scalars are marked using unboxer.

The function stats2json returns a string containing the JSON.

The function parseStats returns a list of statistics values. this is suitable for being set to the stats field of the StudentRecord object.

Note

When using flatten=TRUE, avoid periods, '.', in the names of statistics, as this marker is used to recreate the nested structure in parseStats.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

See Also

buildObject gives general information about how the parsing/unparsing protocol works.

Statistic gives a list of available statistics.

StudentRecord talks about the statitic fields of the student records.

Examples

```
31213233011(31213)
```

```
stats1 <- parseStats(ununboxer(unparseStats(stats)))
stopifnot(all.equal(stats,stats1,tolerance=.0002))</pre>
```

stats2json(stats,flatten=TRUE)

stats2 <- parseStats(ununboxer(unparseStats(stats,flatten=TRUE)))
stopifnot(all.equal(stats,stats2,tolerance=.0002))</pre>

parseStudentRecord Covert Student Records to/from JSON

Description

The as.json function takes an StudentRecord (among other objects) and turns it into JSON. The function parseStudentRecord takes the list produced as the output to fromJSON and turns it back into an StudentRecord object.

Usage

```
parseStudentRecord(rec)
## S4 method for signature 'StudentRecord,list'
as.jlist(obj, ml, serialize=TRUE)
```

Arguments

rec	A list which comes from running fromJSON on a JSON string, or database ex- traction method.
obj	The object being serialized; usually attributes(obj).
ml	A list of fields of the object.
serialize	A logical flag. If true, <code>serializeJSON</code> is used to protect the data field (and other objects which might contain complex R code.

Details

See the description for as.json for more description of the general JSON conversion prototocl.

The StudentRecord contains a Pnet field in the student model. This takes some post-processing to to properly restore.

The as.jlist method for the StudentRecord serializes the sm field using the PnetSerialize method. This produces a slob (string large object) which is stored in the smser field of the StudentRecord.

The parseStudentRecord function restores the smser field, but not the sm field. This must be done in the context of the StudentRecordSet, or equivalently the PnetWarehouse, which is currently managing the networks. To finish the process, call fetchSM to restore the student model network.

Value

The function parseStudentRecord returns a student record object with the student model not yet initialized.

The as.jlist method returns a list which can be passed to toJSON to produce legible JSON from the R object.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

See Also

StudentRecord, as.json, getOneRec, getManyRecs
fetchSM, PnetSerialize

Examples

```
## Requires PNetica
library(PNetica) ## Must load to setup Netica DLL
app <- "ecd://epls.coe.fsu.edu/EITest"
sess <- RNetica::NeticaSession()</pre>
```

```
RNetica::startSession(sess)
config.dir <- file.path(library(help="Peanut")$path, "auxdata")</pre>
net.dir <- file.path(library(help="PNetica")$path,"testnets")</pre>
netman <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Nets.csv"),</pre>
                      row.names=1, stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
stattab <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Statistics.csv"),</pre>
                      as.is=TRUE)
Nethouse <- PNetica::BNWarehouse(netman,session=sess,</pre>
              address=net.dir)
cl <- new("CaptureListener")</pre>
listeners <- list("cl"=cl)</pre>
ls <- ListenerSet(sender= paste("EAEngine[",app,"]"),</pre>
                   db=MongoDB(noMongo=TRUE), listeners=listeners)
eng <- newBNEngineNDB(app=app,warehouse=Nethouse,</pre>
                       listenerSet=ls,manifest=netman,
                       profModel="miniPP_CM",
                       histNodes="Physics",
                       statmat=stattab,
                       activeTest="EAActive.txt")
## Standard initialization methods.
loadManifest(eng,netman)
eng$setHistNodes("Physics")
configStats(eng,stattab)
setupDefaultSR(eng)
recset <- eng$studentRecords()</pre>
sr0 <- getRecordForUser(eng,"S1")</pre>
eap0 <- stat(sr0,"Physics_EAP")</pre>
sr0.ser <- as.json(sr0)</pre>
sr0a <- parseStudentRecord(jsonlite::fromJSON(sr0.ser))</pre>
sr0a <- fetchSM(sr0a,recset$warehouse())</pre>
## This should relink to the same student model
stopifnot(sm(sr0a)==sm(sr0),abs(eap0-stat(sr0a,"Physics_EAP")) <.0001)</pre>
## Next add some evidence and test again.
e1 <- EvidenceSet(uid="S1",app="Test",context="PPcompEM",</pre>
                   obs=list("CompensatoryObs"="Right"))
e1 <- logEvidence(eng,sr0,e1)</pre>
sr1 <- accumulateEvidence(eng,sr0,e1)</pre>
eap1 <- stat(sr1,"Physics_EAP")</pre>
sr1.ser <- as.json(sr1)</pre>
```

setupDefaultSR Set up the Default Student Record for an StudentRecordSet

Description

The default student record is a field associated with a StudentRecordSet which provides a template student record for a student just staring the assessment. The setupDefaultSR function needs to be called at the start of every scoring session to initialize the defaultSR field of the student record set.

Usage

setupDefaultSR(eng)

Arguments

eng

A BNEngine which contains the student record details.

Details

This function creates a new StudentRecord object with the special uid "*DEFAULT*" and the special context ID "*Baseline*". The student model is actually the competency or proficiency model: the baseline student model giving the population distribution of the the measured proficiencies. This is fetched by name from the PnetWarehouse attached to the engine; the name is given in the profModel field of the eng.

Setting up a default student record actually takes a number of steps:

- 1. The student record set (eng\$studentRecrods()) is cleared by calling clearSRs.
- 2. A new blank student record (uid="*DEFAULT*") is created.
- 3. The sm field of the new student record is initialized to the proficiency model.
- 4. The student model is compiled (PnetCompile).
- 5. The baseline statistics are calculated (updateStats).
- 6. The baseline history is set (baselineHist).
- 7. The default student record is saved in the defaultSR field of the StudentRecordSet and in the database (saveSR).
- 8. The baseline statistics are announced (announceStats).

setupDefaultSR

Value

This function is called for its side effects.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

References

Almond, Mislevy, Steinberg, Yan and Williamson (2015). *Bayesian Networks in Educational Assessment*. Springer. Especially Chapter 13.

See Also

Classes: BNEngine, StudentRecord, StudentRecordSet, PnetWarehouse Functions: clearSRs, PnetCompile, updateStats, baselineHist, saveSR, announceStats

Examples

```
## Requires PNetica
library(PNetica) ## Must load to setup Netica DLL
app <- "ecd://epls.coe.fsu.edu/EITest"</pre>
sess <- RNetica::NeticaSession()</pre>
RNetica::startSession(sess)
config.dir <- file.path(library(help="Peanut")$path, "auxdata")</pre>
net.dir <- file.path(library(help="PNetica")$path,"testnets")</pre>
netman <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Nets.csv"),</pre>
                     row.names=1, stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
stattab <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Statistics.csv"),</pre>
                      as.is=TRUE)
Nethouse <- PNetica::BNWarehouse(netman,session=sess,</pre>
              address=net.dir)
cl <- new("CaptureListener")</pre>
listeners <- list("cl"=cl)</pre>
ls <- ListenerSet(sender= paste("EAEngine[",app,"]"),</pre>
                   db=MongoDB(noMongo=TRUE), listeners=listeners)
eng <- newBNEngineNDB(app=app,warehouse=Nethouse,</pre>
                      listenerSet=ls,manifest=netman,
                      profModel="miniPP_CM",
                      histNodes="Physics",
                      statmat=stattab,
                      activeTest="EAActive.txt")
## Standard initialization methods.
```

loadManifest(eng,netman)

```
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```

sm

Access the student model (Pnet) associated with a studnet record

Description

A characteristic of the EABN model is that each code StudentRecord is associated with a *student model*-a Pnet which tracks our knowledge about the student's knowledge skills and abilities. The function sm accesses the net.

Usage

```
sm(x)
sm(x) <- value</pre>
```

Arguments

х	An object of class StudentRecord whose student model will be accessed.
value	A Pnet object which will be the new student model.

Value

The function sm returns an object which implements the Pnet protocol, or none is the student model has not been generated.

The setter version returns the student record.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

See Also

fetchSM, unpackSM, setupDefaultSR

stat

Examples

library(PNetica)

stat

Access statistics from a Student Record

Description

These functions access the stats field of a StudentRecord object. The function stat accesses a single statistics and stats returns all of the statistics. The function statNames returns the names of the available statistics.

Usage

```
stat(sr, name)
stats(x)
statNames(sr)
```

Arguments

sr, x	A StudentRecord object whose statistics are to be accessed.
name	A character object giving the name of the specific statististic to access.

Value

The function stat returns the value of a single statistic, which could be numeric, character or something else.

The function stats returns a named list of statistics.

The function statNames returns a character vector.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

See Also

StudentRecord for the student record class.

Statistic for statistic objects which return the statistics.

Examples

stopifnot(all.equal(stat(dsr,"Physics_Margin"),stats[[3]],tolerance=.0002))

StudentRecord

Constructor for StudentRecord object

Description

This is the constructor for a StudentRecord object. Basically, this is a wrapper around the studnet model for the appropriate user, with meta-data about the evidence that has been absorbed.

Usage

```
StudentRecord(uid, context = "", timestamp = Sys.time(), smser = list(),
sm = NULL, stats = list(), hist = list(), evidence = character(),
app = "default", seqno = -1L, prev_id = NA_character_)
```

StudentRecord

Arguments

uid	A user identifier for the student/player.
context	An identifer for the scoring context/window.
timestamp	Timestamp of the last evidence set absorbed for this user.
smser	A serialized Bayesian network (see WarehouseUnpack).
sm	A Pnet containing the student model (or NULL if it has not been initialized.
stats	A list of statistics calculated for the model.
hist	A list of node histories for the measured nodes.
evidence	A character vector of ids for the absorbed evidence sets.
арр	A guid (string) identifying the application.
seqno	A sequence number, basically a count of absorbed evidence sets.
prev_id	The database ID of the previous student model.

Value

An object of class StudentRecord.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

See Also

StudentRecord

Examples

library(PNetica)

```
##Start with manifest
sess <- RNetica::NeticaSession()
RNetica::startSession(sess)</pre>
```

```
## dsr <- updateStats(eng,dsr)</pre>
statmat <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir,"Mini-PP-Statistics.csv"),</pre>
                     stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
rownames(statmat) <- statmat$Name</pre>
statlist <- sapply(statmat$Name,function (st)</pre>
    Statistic(statmat[st,"Fun"],statmat[st,"Node"],st))
names(statlist) <- statmat$Name</pre>
dsr@stats <- lapply(statlist,</pre>
                     function (stat) calcStat(stat,sm(dsr)))
names(dsr@stats) <- names(statlist)</pre>
stat(dsr,"Physics_EAP")
stat(dsr,"Physics_Margin")
## dsr <- baselineHist(eng,dsr)</pre>
dsr@hist <- lapply(c("Physics"),</pre>
                      function (nd)
                      EABN:::uphist(sm(dsr),nd,NULL,"*Baseline*"))
names(dsr@hist) <- "Physics"</pre>
history(dsr,"Physics")
## Serialization and unserialization
dsr.ser <- as.json(dsr)</pre>
dsr1 <- parseStudentRecord(jsonlite::fromJSON(dsr.ser))</pre>
dsr1 <- fetchSM(dsr1,Nethouse)</pre>
### dsr and dsr1 should be the same.
stopifnot(
app(dsr)==app(dsr1),
uid(dsr)==uid(dsr1),
context(dsr)==context(dsr1),
# problems with timezones
# all.equal(timestamp(dsr),timestamp(dsr1)),
all.equal(seqno(dsr),seqno(dsr1)),
all.equal(stats(dsr),stats(dsr1),tolerance=.0002),
all.equal(history(dsr,"Physics"), history(dsr1,"Physics")),
PnetName(sm(dsr)) == PnetName(sm(dsr))
)
```

StudentRecord-class Class "StudentRecord"

Description

This is a wrapper for the Bayesian network information for a particular student. It contains a local copy of the Bayesian network.

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls to the function StudentRecord, uid, context, timestamp, smser, sm, stats, hist, evidence).

Slots

- _id: Object of class "character" The mongo ID of the object, empty character if it has not been saved in the database. If Mongo is not being used, this field can be used for other kinds of IDs.
- app: Object of class "character" that gives the identifier for the application this record is used with.
- uid: Object of class "character" which is the unique identifier for the user (student, player).
- context: Object of class "character" which identifies the scoring context (scoring window).
- evidence: Object of class "character" giving the IDs of the evidence sets applied to this student model.
- timestamp: Object of class "POSIXt" giving the timestamp of the last evidence set applied to this model.
- sm: Object of class "Pnet", the actual student model (or NULL if it is not yet built).

smser: Object of class "list" the serialized student model.

seqno: Object of class "integer" a sequence number, that is the number of evidence sets applied.

- stats: Object of class "list" the most recent statistics generated from this model.
- hist: Object of class "list" list of history lists for the designed history variables. There is one element for each history variable.

issues: A character vector giving errors and warnings from processing evidence for this record. prev_id: Object of class "character" the Mongo ID of the previous student model.

Methods

app signature(x = "StudentRecord"): returns the application id associated with this record.

as.jlist signature(obj = "StudentRecord", ml = "list"): serialized the record as JSON

- context signature(x = "StudentRecord"): return the context (scoring window) identifier asociated with the last processed evidence set.
- evidence signature(x = "StudentRecord"): returns the ids of the aborbed evidence sets.
- evidence<- signature(x = "StudentRecord"): sets the ids of the aborbed evidence sets.
- histNames signature(sr = "StudentRecord"): returns the names of the history variables.
- history signature(sr = "StudentRecord", name = "character"): returns the history list for the variable.
- **seqno** signature(x = "StudentRecord"): returns the sequence number for this record.
- **seqno**<- signature(x = "StudentRecord"): sets the sequence number for this record.
- show signature(object = "StudentRecord"): prints the record.
- sm signature(x = "StudentRecord"): returns the Bayes net (Pnet) associated with this record.
- sm<- signature(x = "StudentRecord", value="ANY"): sets the Bayes net (Pnet) associated
 with this record.</pre>

stat signature(sr = "StudentRecord", name = "character"): returns the current value of the named statistics.

statNames signature(sr = "StudentRecord"): returns the names of the statistics.

```
stats signature(x = "StudentRecord"): returns all of the statistics.
```

timestamp signature(x = "StudentRecord"): returns the timestamp of the last absorbed evidence set.

toString signature(x = "StudentRecord"): creates a printed representation.

uid signature(x = "StudentRecord"): returns the ID for the student/player.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

References

Almond, R.G., Mislevy, R.J., Steinberg, L.S., Williamson, D.M. and Yan, D. (2015) *Bayesian Networks in Educational Assessment*. Springer. Chapter 13.

See Also

StudentRecord, EvidenceSet, StudentRecordSet

Examples

showClass("StudentRecord")

StudentRecordSet Constructor for "StudentRecordSet" class

Description

A StudentRecordSet is a collection of collection of StudentRecord objects. It is always connected to a PnetWarehouse and could be connected to a database as well.

Usage

Arguments

арр	A character scalar providing a guid for the application.
warehouse	An object of type PnetWarehouse that contains already built student models.
db	A JSONDB object which store the student records.
	Other arguments for future extensions.

StudentRecordSet

Details

A StudentRecordSet is a collection of student recrods. It contains a PnetWarehouse which contains the student models and possibly a database containing the student records.

The StudentRecordSet operates in two modes, depending on the value of db. If db references a MongoDB-class database, then the StudentRecordSet set will save student records (including serialized Bayes nets) to the database and restore them on demmand. This facilitates scoring across several sessions.

If the db argument has the noMongo flag, no database connection will be created. Instead, the calls to the getSR function should pass in a serialized version of the student record function. If no serialized record is available, a new record will be created.

Value

An object of class StudentRecordSet.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

See Also

StudentRecordSet, StudentRecord, getSR, saveSR, newSR, clearSRs

Examples

library(PNetica)

```
##Start with manifest
sess <- RNetica::NeticaSession()
RNetica::startSession(sess)</pre>
```

```
## dsr <- updateStats(eng,dsr)</pre>
statmat <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir,"Mini-PP-Statistics.csv"),</pre>
                      stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
rownames(statmat) <- statmat$Name</pre>
statlist <- sapply(statmat$Name,function (st)</pre>
    Statistic(statmat[st, "Fun"], statmat[st, "Node"], st))
names(statlist) <- statmat$Name</pre>
dsr@stats <- lapply(statlist,</pre>
                      function (stat) calcStat(stat,sm(dsr)))
names(dsr@stats) <- names(statlist)</pre>
dsr@hist <- lapply(c("Physics"),</pre>
                       function (nd)
                       EABN:::uphist(sm(dsr),nd,NULL,"*Baseline*"))
names(dsr@hist) <- "Physics"</pre>
SRS$defaultSR <- dsr
saveSR(SRS, dsr)
## Make a new Student Record for a student.
sr1 <- newSR(SRS,"S1")</pre>
stopifnot(uid(sr1)=="S1",app(sr1)==app(dsr),
           all.equal(stats(dsr),stats(sr1),.0002))
sr1a <- getSR(SRS,"S1")</pre>
clearSRs(SRS)
```

StudentRecordSet-class

Class "StudentRecordSet"

Description

This class provides a collection of student records. Optionally, it can be hitched to a database so that student can be saved and restored across scoring sessions.

Details

The StudentRecordSet exists to hold a collection of StudentRecord objects. If, when constructed, the record set is passed information about a database, the record set is stored in the database. If not, it is merely stored in memory. The database version, in particular, allows restoring the object from memory. The primary key for the student record in the database is the app ID (which is a field in the record set) and the uid which is passed through the getSR method.

The method getSR takes different arguments based on which version is passed. In particular, the ser argument allows a serialized (JSON) version of the data to be passed in. In particular, getSR will do one of the following things (in order of priority):

- 1. If the ser argument is supplied, the student record will be restored from this.
- 2. If the StudentRecordSet is connected to a database, then the student record is restored from information in the database, based on the uid argument and the app field.
- 3. A new student record is created for the uid.

The record set also contains a link to a PnetWarehouse which it uses to try and find the Pnet associated with the StudentRecord. If the Pnet already exists in the warehouse, it is just connected to the fetched record. If not, then it is restored from a serialized version either from the passed in serialized record, or from the serialized Pnet in the database.

Extends

All reference classes extend and inherit methods from "envRefClass".

Methods

- app signature(x = "StudentRecordSet"): Returns the application this record set is associated
 with.
- getSR signature(srs = "StudentRecordSet", uid="ANY", ser="character"): Returns the student record for the specified ID. If ser is supplied it should be a json list object containing the student record.
- **newSR** signature(srs = "StudentRecordSet", uid="character"): Creates a new Student Record for the specified ID by cloning the default student record.
- saveSR signature(srs = "StudentRecordSet"): If connected to a database, the SR is saved to the database.
- clearSR signature(srs = "StudentRecordSet"): If connected to a database, the SR in the database are cleared.

Fields

app: Object of class character which contains the application identifier

- dbname: Object of class character which contains the name of the database.
- db: Object of class JSONDB a connection to the database or NULL if the object is not connected to the database. Users should call the recorddb() function rather than access this field directly.
- warehouse: Object of class PnetWarehouse which contains already loaded nets.
- defaultSR: Object of class StudentRecord or NULL. This is the default student record which is cloned to create new studnet records.

Class-Based Methods

initialize(app, dbname, dburi, db, warehouse, ...): Initializes the student record set.

- recorddb(): Returns the database handle (if connected to a database) or NULL if not connected to a database. Note that this initializes the database the first time it is called, so it should be called rather than accessing the db field directly.

Author(s)

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See Also

StudentRecordSet for the constructor. StudentRecord for the contained objects. PnetWarehouse and Pnet for information about the contained Bayesian networks. BNEngine for the engine that holds it.

Examples

```
showClass("StudentRecordSet")
```

trimTable

Trims empty columns from tables.

Description

Downloaded spreadsheets sometimes contain empty columns at the end. This function removes all of the columns after the give column.

Usage

trimTable(tab, lastcol = "Description")

Arguments

tab	A matrix, data frame or tibble to be trimmed).
lastcol	The name of the last column to keep. Any column to the right of this one will
	be discalded.

Value

The first several columns of the table.

Author(s)

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See Also

read.csv

Examples

```
dat <- data.frame(One=1:3,Two=4:6,Three=7:9,10:12)
trimmed <- trimTable(dat,"Three")
stopifnot (ncol(trimmed)==3L)</pre>
```
Description

The StudentRecord object can track the history of zero or more Pnode in the student model (sm). The history is a data frame with columns corresponding to the states of the variables and the rows corresponding to the EvidenceSets absorbed into the student record. The function updateHist add a new row to each history corresponding to the evidence set. The function baselineHist creates the initial row.

Usage

updateHist(eng, rec, evidMess, debug = 0)
baselineHist(eng, rec)

Arguments

eng	The BNEngine controlling the operation.
rec	The StudentRecord which will be updated.
evidMess	The EvidenceSet which has just been added to the student model using updateSM.
debug	An integer flag. If bigger than 1, then a call to recover will be made inside the function call.

Details

A history tracks a single node in the student model as it changes in response to the incomming evidence sets. The history for a node is data frame with columns representing variable states and rows representing evidence sets (evidence from different scoring windows or tasks).

The function baselineHist is called as part of setupDefaultSR. This initializes a history data frame for each node in the histNodes field of the BNEngine. It inserts a first row, which is always given the name "*Baseline*". The values in the first row are the marginal distribution of those nodes (PnodeMargin).

The function updateHist adds row to each history table. The name of the row corresponds to the context field of the EvidenceSet. The value is the curent marginal distribution for the history nodes.

The function history retrieves the history. The functions woeHist and woeBal in the CPTtools-package describe possible applications for the history function.

Value

Both functions return the modified StudentRecord

Note

With the Netica implementation, the student model needs to be compiled (PnetCompile(sm(rec))) before the baselineHist function is run.

This is probably true of updateHist as well, but updateSM recompiles the network.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

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See Also

Classes: BNEngine, EvidenceSet StudentRecord

Functions in EABN: accumulateEvidence, updateStats, updateSM, history

Peanut Functions: PnodeMargin

CPTtools Functions woeHist, woeBal

Examples

```
## Requires PNetica
library(PNetica) ## Must load to setup Netica DLL
app <- "ecd://epls.coe.fsu.edu/EITest"</pre>
sess <- RNetica::NeticaSession()</pre>
RNetica::startSession(sess)
config.dir <- file.path(library(help="Peanut")$path, "auxdata")</pre>
net.dir <- file.path(library(help="PNetica")$path,"testnets")</pre>
netman <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Nets.csv"),</pre>
                     row.names=1, stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
stattab <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Statistics.csv"),</pre>
                      as.is=TRUE)
Nethouse <- PNetica::BNWarehouse(netman,session=sess,</pre>
              address=net.dir)
cl <- new("CaptureListener")</pre>
listeners <- list("cl"=cl)</pre>
ls <- ListenerSet(sender= paste("EAEngine[",app,"]"),</pre>
                   db=MongoDB(noMongo=TRUE), listeners=listeners)
```

updateSM

```
eng <- newBNEngineNDB(app=app,warehouse=Nethouse,</pre>
                      listenerSet=ls,manifest=netman,
                      profModel="miniPP_CM",
                      histNodes="Physics",
                      statmat=stattab,
                      activeTest="EAActive.txt")
## Standard initialization methods.
loadManifest(eng,netman)
eng$setHistNodes(character())
configStats(eng,stattab)
setupDefaultSR(eng)
sr1 <- getRecordForUser(eng,"S1")</pre>
history(sr1,"Physics")
stopifnot(is.null(history(sr1,"Physics")))
## Now set up history.
eng$setHistNodes("Physics")
PnetCompile(sm(sr1))
sr1 <- baselineHist(eng,sr1)</pre>
history(sr1,"Physics")
stopifnot(nrow(history(sr1,"Physics"))==1L)
e1 <- EvidenceSet(uid="S1",app="Test",context="PPcompEM",</pre>
                   obs=list("CompensatoryObs"="Right"))
sr1 <- updateSM(eng,sr1,e1)</pre>
sr1 <- updateHist(eng,sr1,e1)</pre>
e2 <- EvidenceSet(uid="S1",app="Test",context="PPconjEM",</pre>
                   obs=list("ConjunctiveObs"="Wrong"))
sr1 <- updateSM(eng,sr1,e2)</pre>
sr1 <- updateHist(eng,sr1,e2)</pre>
history(sr1,"Physics")
stopifnot(nrow(history(sr1,"Physcis"))==3L)
woeHist(history(sr1,"Physics"),pos="High",neg=c("Medium","Low"))
```

updateSM

Updates the Student model with additional evidence.

Description

This function is the core of the EABN algorithm. It finds and attaches the evidence model to the student model, enters the findings from the evidence message, and then detaches the evidence model, leaving the student model updated.

Usage

```
updateSM(eng, rec, evidMess, debug = 0)
```

Arguments

eng	The BNEngine supervising the opeeration.
rec	The StudentRecord for the student in question.
evidMess	The EvidenceSet containing the new evidence.
debug	An integer describing how much debugging to do. If set to a number greater than 1, it will issue a call to recover at various stages to aid in debugging models.

Details

The update algorithm performs the following step:

- 1. Finds the evidence model by name according to the context field of the EvidenceSet. See WarehouseSupply.
- 2. Adjoins the sm of the student record with the evidence model and compiles the modified network. See PnetAdjoin and PnetCompile.
- 3. Loops over the observables in the evidence set, if they correspond to nodes in the evidence model, then instantiate their values using PnodeEvidence.
- 4. Detatch the evidence model and recompile the network. See PnetDetach.

Value

The updated student record is returned.

Author(s)

Russell Almond

References

Almond, Mislevy, Steinberg, Yan and Williamson (2015). *Bayesian Networks in Educational Assessment*. Springer. Especially Chapters 5 and 13.

See Also

Classes: BNEngine, PnetWarehouse, StudentRecord, EvidenceSet, Pnet

Functions in EABN: accumulateEvidence, updateHist, updateStats, getRecordForUser

Peanut Functions: WarehouseSupply, PnetAdjoin, PnetCompile, PnetDetach, PnodeEvidence

updateSM

Examples

```
## Not run:
## Requires Netica
library(PNetica) ## Must load to setup Netica DLL
app <- "ecd://epls.coe.fsu.edu/EITest"</pre>
sess <- RNetica::NeticaSession()</pre>
RNetica::startSession(sess)
config.dir <- file.path(library(help="Peanut")$path, "auxdata")</pre>
net.dir <- file.path(library(help="PNetica")$path,"testnets")</pre>
netman <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Nets.csv"),</pre>
                     row.names=1, stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
stattab <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Statistics.csv"),</pre>
                     as.is=TRUE)
Nethouse <- PNetica::BNWarehouse(netman,session=sess,</pre>
              address=net.dir)
cl <- new("CaptureListener")</pre>
listeners <- list("cl"=cl)</pre>
ls <- ListenerSet(sender= paste("EAEngine[",app,"]"),</pre>
                   db=MongoDB(noMongo=TRUE), listeners=listeners)
eng <- newBNEngineNDB(app=app,warehouse=Nethouse,</pre>
                      listenerSet=ls,manifest=netman,
                      profModel="miniPP_CM",
                      histNodes="Physics",
                      statmat=stattab,
                      activeTest="EAActive.txt")
## Standard initialization methods.
loadManifest(eng,netman)
eng$setHistNodes("Physics")
configStats(eng,stattab)
setupDefaultSR(eng)
sr1 <- getRecordForUser(eng,"S1")</pre>
PnetCompile(sm(sr1))
eap1 <- PnodeEAP(sm(sr1),PnetFindNode(sm(sr1),"Physics"))</pre>
e1 <- EvidenceSet(uid="S1", app="Test", context="PPcompEM",</pre>
                   obs=list("CompensatoryObs"="Right"))
sr1a <- updateSM(eng,sr1,e1)</pre>
eap1a <- PnodeEAP(sm(sr1),PnetFindNode(sm(sr1),"Physics"))</pre>
## This should have changed.
stopifnot(abs(eap1-eap1a) > .001)
```

End(Not run)

updateStats

Recalculates statistics for changed student model.

Description

When the student model of a StudentRecord changes, because the function updateSM has been run, the statistics need to be recalculated. The function updateStats recalculates the statistics. The function announceStats lets the listeners know that new statistics are available for this user.

Usage

updateStats(eng, rec, debug = 0)
announceStats(eng, rec)

Arguments

eng	A BNEngine controlling the operation.
rec	A StudentRecord, particularly, one that has just been updated via a call to updateSM.
debug	An integer flag. If the value is greater than 1, there will be a call recover inside of the call.

Details

The BNEngine contains a number of Statistic objects. Every time the student model (sm) of the StudentRecord changes, the stats of the record need to be updated as well.

The function updateStats simply loops through the statistic collection and calculates the new values. The corresponding field of the student record is then updated.

The function announceStats takes the new statistic values and generates a P4Message containing the new statistics. This is sent to all of the Listener objects in the ListenerSet attached to the engine.

The function stats returns the latest statistics from the student record.

Value

The function updateStats returns the updates StudentRecord object.

The function announceStats is called for its side effects. Its return value should not be used.

Author(s)

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updateStats

References

Almond, Mislevy, Steinberg, Yan and Williamson (2015). *Bayesian Networks in Educational Assessment*. Springer. Especially Chapters 5 and 13.

See Also

Classes: BNEngine, ListenerSet StudentRecord, Statistic, P4Message Functions in EABN: accumulateEvidence, updateHist, updateSM, stats Peanut Functions: calcStat Proc4Functions notifyListeners

Examples

```
## Requires PNetica
library(PNetica) ## Must load to setup Netica DLL
app <- "ecd://epls.coe.fsu.edu/EITest"</pre>
sess <- RNetica::NeticaSession()</pre>
RNetica::startSession(sess)
config.dir <- file.path(library(help="Peanut")$path, "auxdata")</pre>
net.dir <- file.path(library(help="PNetica")$path,"testnets")</pre>
netman <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Nets.csv"),</pre>
                     row.names=1, stringsAsFactors=FALSE)
stattab <- read.csv(file.path(config.dir, "Mini-PP-Statistics.csv"),</pre>
                     as.is=TRUE)
Nethouse <- PNetica::BNWarehouse(netman,session=sess,</pre>
              address=net.dir)
cl <- new("CaptureListener")</pre>
listeners <- list("cl"=cl)</pre>
ls <- ListenerSet(sender= paste("EAEngine[",app,"]"),</pre>
                   db=MongoDB(noMongo=TRUE), listeners=listeners)
eng <- newBNEngineNDB(app=app,warehouse=Nethouse,</pre>
                      listenerSet=ls,manifest=netman,
                      profModel="miniPP_CM",
                      histNodes="Physics",
                      statmat=stattab,
                      activeTest="EAActive.txt")
## Standard initialization methods.
loadManifest(eng,netman)
eng$setHistNodes("Physics")
configStats(eng,stattab)
setupDefaultSR(eng)
```

```
sr0 <- getRecordForUser(eng,"S1")</pre>
```

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