

# Package ‘EZtune’

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**Title** Tunes AdaBoost, Elastic Net, Support Vector Machines, and Gradient Boosting Machines

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**Description** Contains two functions that are intended to make tuning supervised learning methods easy. The `eztune` function uses a genetic algorithm or Hooke-Jeeves optimizer to find the best set of tuning parameters. The user can choose the optimizer, the learning method, and if optimization will be based on accuracy obtained through validation error, cross validation, or resubstitution. The function `eztune.cv` will compute a cross validated error rate. The purpose of `eztune_cv` is to provide a cross validated accuracy or MSE when resubstitution or validation data are used for optimization because error measures from both approaches can be misleading.

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eztune	<i>Supervised Learning Function</i>
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### Description

eztune is a function that automatically tunes adaboost, support vector machines, gradient boosting machines, and elastic net. An optimization algorithm is used to find a good set of tuning parameters for the selected model. The function optimizes on a validation dataset, cross validated accuracy, or resubstitution accuracy.

### Usage

```
eztune(
  x,
  y,
  method = "svm",
  optimizer = "hjn",
  fast = TRUE,
  cross = NULL,
  loss = "default"
)
```

### Arguments

x	Matrix or data frame containing the dependent variables.
y	Vector of responses. Can either be a factor or a numeric vector.
method	Model to be fit. Choices are "ada" for adaboost, "en" for elastic net, "gbm" for gradient boosting machines, and "svm" for support vector machines.
optimizer	Optimization method. Options are "ga" for a genetic algorithm and "hjn" for a Hooke-Jeeves optimizer.
fast	Indicates if the function should use a subset of the observations when optimizing to speed up calculation time. A value of TRUE will use the smaller of 50% of the data or 200 observations for model fitting, a number between 0 and 1 specifies the proportion of data to be used to fit the model, and a positive integer specifies the number of observations to be used to fit the model. A model is computed using a random selection of data and the remaining data are used to validate

	model performance. The validation error measure is used as the optimization criterion.
cross	If an integer $k > 1$ is specified, k-fold cross-validation is used to fit the model. This method is very slow for large datasets. This parameter is ignored unless <code>fast = FALSE</code> .
loss	The type of loss function used for optimization. Options for models with a binary response are "class" for classification error and "auc" for area under the curve. Options for models with a continuous response are "mse" for mean squared error and "mae" for mean absolute error. If the option "default" is selected, or no loss is specified, the classification accuracy will be used for a binary response model and the MSE will be use for models with a continuous model.

### Value

Function returns a summary of the tuning parameters for the best model, the best loss measure achieved (classification accuracy, AUC, MSE, or MAE), and the best model.

loss	Best loss measure obtained by the optimizer. This is the measure specified by the user that the optimizer uses to choose a "best" model (classification accuracy, AUC, MSE, or MAE). Note that if the default option is used it is the classification accuracy for a binary response and the MSE for a continuous response.
model	Best model found by the optimizer. Adaboost model comes from package <code>ada</code> ( <code>ada</code> object), elastic net model comes from package <code>glmnet</code> ( <code>glmnet</code> object), <code>gbm</code> model comes from package <code>gbm</code> ( <code>gbm.object</code> object), <code>svm</code> ( <code>svm</code> object) model comes from package <code>e1071</code> .
n	Number of observations used in model training when <code>fast</code> option is used
nfold	Number of folds used if cross validation is used for optimization.
iter	Tuning parameter for adaboost.
nu	Tuning parameter for adaboost.
shrinkage	Tuning parameter for adaboost and <code>gbm</code> .
lambda	Tuning parameter for elastic net
alpha	Tuning parameter for elastic net
n.trees	Tuning parameter for <code>gbm</code> .
interaction.depth	Tuning parameter for <code>gbm</code> .
n.minobsinnode	Tuning parameter for <code>gbm</code> .
cost	Tuning parameter for <code>svm</code> .
gamma	Tuning parameter for <code>svm</code> .
epsilon	Tuning parameter for <code>svm</code> regression.

## Examples

```
library(mlbench)
data(Sonar)
sonar <- Sonar[sample(1:nrow(Sonar), 100), ]

y <- sonar[, 61]
x <- sonar[, 1:10]

# Optimize an SVM using the default fast setting and Hooke-Jeeves
eztune(x, y)

# Optimize an SVM with 3-fold cross validation and Hooke-Jeeves
eztune(x, y, fast = FALSE, cross = 3)

# Optimize GBM using training set of 50 observations and Hooke-Jeeves
eztune(x, y, method = "gbm", fast = 50, loss = "auc")

# Optimize SVM with 25% of the observations as a training dataset
# using a genetic algorithm
eztune(x, y, method = "svm", optimizer = "ga", fast = 0.25)
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eztune\_cv

*Cross Validated Accuracy for Supervised Learning Model*

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## Description

eztune\_cv returns the cross-validated loss measures for a model returned by eztune. The function eztune can tune a model using validation data, resubstitution or cross validation. If resubstitution or a fast method is used to tune the model, the accuracy obtained from the function may not be accurate. The function eztune\_cv will return cross-validated accuracy measures for any model returned by eztune.

## Usage

```
eztune_cv(x, y, model, cross = 10)
```

## Arguments

x	Matrix or data frame containing the dependent variables used to create the model.
y	Vector of the response used to create the model. Can be either numeric or a factor.
model	Object generated with the function eztune.
cross	Number of folds to use for n-fold cross-validation.

**Value**

Function returns a numeric value that represents the cross-validated accuracy of the model. Both classification accuracy and the AUC are returned for models with a binary response. MSE and mean absolute error (MAE) are returned for models with a continuous response.

accuracy	Cross-validated classification accuracy.
auc	Cross-validated AUC.
mse	Cross-validated MSE.
mae	Cross-validated MAE.

**Examples**

```
library(mlbench)
data(Sonar)
sonar <- Sonar[sample(1:nrow(Sonar), 100), ]

y <- sonar[, 61]
x <- sonar[, 1:10]

sonar_default <- eztune(x, y)
eztune_cv(x, y, sonar_default)

sonar_svm <- eztune(x, y, fast = FALSE, cross = 3)
eztune_cv(x, y, sonar_svm)

sonar_gbm <- eztune(x, y, method = "gbm", fast = 50)
eztune_cv(x, y, sonar_gbm)
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lichen

*Lichen data from the Current Vegetation Survey*

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**Description**

Data were collected between 1993 and 1999 as part of the Lichen Air Quality surveys on public lands in Oregon and southern Washington. Observations were obtained from 1-acre (0.4 ha) plots at Current Vegetation Survey (CVS) sites. Indicator variables denote the presences and absences of 7 lichen species. Data for each sampled plot include the topographic variables elevation, aspect, and slope; bioclimatic predictors including maximum, minimum, daily, and average temperatures, relative humidity precipitation, evapotranspiration, and vapor pressure; and vegetation variables including the average age of the dominant conifer and percent conifer cover. The data in lichenTest were collected from half-acre plots at CVS sites in the same geographical region and contains many of the same variables, including presences and absences for the 7 lichen species. As such, it is a good test dataset for predictive methods applied to the Lichen Air Quality data.

**Usage**

lichen

**Format**

A data frame with 840 observations and 40 variables. One variable is a location identifier, 7 (coded as 0 and 1) identify the presence or absence of a type of lichen species, and 32 are characteristics of the survey site where the data were collected.

There were 12 monthly values in the original data for each of the bioclimatic predictors. Principal components analyses suggested that for each of these predictors 2 principal components explained the vast majority (95.0%-99.5%) of the total variability. Based on these analyses, indices were created for each set of bioclimatic predictors. The variables with the suffix Ave in the variable name are the average of 12 monthly variables. The variables with the suffix Diff are contrasts between the sum of the April-September monthly values and the sum of the October-December and January-March monthly values, divided by 12. Roughly speaking, these are summer-to-winter contrasts.

The variables are summarized as follows:

**PlotNum** Identifier of the section of forest from which the data were collected.

**LobaOreg** Lobaria oregana (Absent = 0, Present = 1)

**LobaPulm** Lobaria pulmonaria (Absent = 0, Present = 1)

**NephBell** Nephroma bellum (Absent = 0, Present = 1)

**NephHelv** Nephroma helveticum (Absent = 0, Present = 1)

**PseuAnom** Pseudocyphellaria anomala (Absent = 0, Present = 1)

**PseuAnth** Pseudocyphellaria anthraspis (Absent = 0, Present = 1)

**PseuCroc** Pseudocyphellaria crocata (Absent = 0, Present = 1)

**EvapoTransAve** Average monthly potential evapotranspiration in mm

**EvapoTransDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly potential evapotranspiration in mm

**MoistIndexAve** Average monthly moisture index in cm

**MoistIndexDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly monthly moisture index in cm

**PrecipAve** Average monthly precipitation in cm

**PrecipDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly precipitation in cm

**RelHumidAve** Average monthly relative humidity in percent

**RelHumidDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly relative humidity in percent

**PotGlobRadAve** Average monthly potential global radiation in kJ

**PotGlobRadDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly potential global radiation in kJ

**AveTempAve** Average monthly average temperature in degrees Celsius

**AveTempDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly average temperature in degrees Celsius

**MaxTempAve** Average monthly maximum temperature in degrees Celsius

**MaxTempDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly maximum temperature in degrees Celsius

**MinTempAve** Average monthly minimum temperature in degrees Celsius

**MinTempDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly minimum temperature in degrees Celsius

**DayTempAve** Mean average daytime temperature in degrees Celsius

**DayTempDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in average daytime temperature in degrees Celsius

**AmbVapPressAve** Average monthly average ambient vapor pressure in Pa

**AmbVapPressDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly average ambient vapor pressure in Pa

**SatVapPressAve** Average monthly average saturated vapor pressure in Pa

**SatVapPressDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly average saturated vapor pressure in Pa

**Aspect** Aspect in degrees

**TransAspect** Transformed Aspect:  $\text{TransAspect} = (1 - \cos(\text{Aspect})) / 2$

**Elevation** Elevation in meters

**Slope** Percent slope

**ReserveStatus** Reserve Status (Reserve, Matrix)

**StandAgeClass** Stand Age Class (< 80 years, 80+ years)

**ACONIF** Average age of the dominant conifer in years

**PctVegCov** Percent vegetation cover

**PctConifCov** Percent conifer cover

**PctBroadLeafCov** Percent broadleaf cover

**TreeBiomass** Live tree (> 1inch DBH) biomass, above ground, dry weight.

### Source

Cutler, D. Richard., Thomas C. Edwards Jr., Karen H. Beard, Adele Cutler, Kyle T. Hess, Jacob Gibson, and Joshua J. Lawler. 2007. Random Forests for Classification in Ecology. *Ecology* 88(11): 2783-2792.

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lichenTest

*Test dataset for lichen data*

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### Description

Data were collected as part of the Northwest Forest Conservation Plan. Data were collected from 300 half-acre (0.2 ha) sites on the Current Vegetation Survey grid in Gifford-Pinchot National Forest, the Umpqua Basin, and the Oregon Coast. Samples were collected between 2002 and 2003. Indicator variables denoted the presence or absence of 7 lichen species. This dataset may be used as a test dataset for the lichen dataset included in this package.

### Usage

lichenTest

**Format**

A data frame with 300 observations and 40 variables. One variable is a location identifier, 7 identify the presence or absence of the lichen species, and 32 are characteristics of the survey site where the data were collected.

As with the Lichen Air Quality data, the variables with the suffix Ave in the variable name are the average of 12 monthly variables. The variables with the suffix Diff are contrasts between the sum of the April-September monthly values and the sum of the October-December and January-March monthly values, divided by 12. Roughly speaking, these are summer-to-winter contrasts.

The variables are summarized as follows:

**PlotNum** Identifier of the section of forest from which the data were collected.

**LobaOreg** Lobaria oregana (Absent = 0, Present = 1)

**LobaPulm** Lobaria pulmonaria (Absent = 0, Present = 1)

**NephBell** Nephroma bellum (Absent = 0, Present = 1)

**NephHelv** Nephroma helveticum (Absent = 0, Present = 1)

**PseuAnom** Pseudocyphellaria anomala (Absent = 0, Present = 1)

**PseuAnth** Pseudocyphellaria anthraxis (Absent = 0, Present = 1)

**PseuCroc** Pseudocyphellaria crocata (Absent = 0, Present = 1)

**EvapoTransAve** Average monthly potential evapotranspiration in mm

**EvapoTransDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly potential evapotranspiration in mm

**MoistIndexAve** Average monthly moisture index in cm

**MoistIndexDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly monthly moisture index in cm

**PrecipAve** Average monthly precipitation in cm

**PrecipDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly precipitation in cm

**RelHumidAve** Average monthly relative humidity in percent

**RelHumidDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly relative humidity in percent

**PotGlobRadAve** Average monthly potential global radiation in kJ

**PotGlobRadDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly potential global radiation in kJ

**AveTempAve** Average monthly average temperature in degrees Celsius

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**MinTempAve** Average monthly minimum temperature in degrees Celsius

**MinTempDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly minimum temperature in degrees Celsius

**DayTempAve** Mean average daytime temperature in degrees Celsius

**DayTempDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in average daytime temperature in degrees Celsius

**AmbVapPressAve** Average monthly average ambient vapor pressure in Pa

**AmbVapPressDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly average ambient vapor pressure in Pa

**SatVapPressAve** Average monthly average saturated vapor pressure in Pa

**SatVapPressDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly average saturated vapor pressure in Pa

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**Elevation** Elevation in meters

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**StandAgeClass** Stand Age Class (< 80 years, 80+ years)

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mullein

*Mullein data from Lava Beds National Monument*

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## Description

This dataset contains information about the presence and absence of common mullein (*Verbascum thapsus*) at Lava Beds National Monument. The park was digitally divided into 30m by 30m pixels. Park personnel provided data on 6,047 sites at which mullein was detected and treated between 2000 and 2005, and these data were augmented by 6,047 randomly selected pseudo-absences. For each 30m by 30m site there are data on elevation, aspect, slope, proximity to roads and trails, and interpolated bioclimatic variables such as minimum, maximum, and average temperature, precipitation, relative humidity, and evapotranspiration. The dataset called *mulleinTest* is a test dataset collected in Lava Beds National Monument in 2006 that can be used to verify evaluate predictive statistical procedures applied to the mullein dataset.

## Usage

mullein

**Format**

A data frame with 12,094 observations and 32 variables. One variable identifies the presence or absence of mullein in a 30m by 30m site and 31 variables are characteristics of the site where the data were collected.

In the original data there were 12 monthly values for each of the bioclimatic predictors. Principal components analyses suggested that for each of these predictors 2 principal components explained the vast majority (95.0% - 99.5%) of the total variability. Based on these analyses, indices were created for each set of bioclimatic predictors. The variables with the suffix Ave in the variable name are the average of 12 monthly variables. The variables with the suffix Diff are contrasts between the sum of the April-September monthly values and the sum of the October-December and January-March monthly values, divided by 12. Roughly speaking, these are summer-to-winter contrasts. The variables are summarized as follows:

**VerbThap** Presence or absence of *Verbascum thapsus*, common mullein, (Absent = 0, Present = 1)

**DegreeDays** Degree days in degrees Celsius

**EvapoTransAve** Average monthly potential evapotranspiration in mm

**EvapoTransDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly potential evapotranspiration in mm

**MoistIndAve** Average monthly moisture index in cm

**MoistIndDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly moisture index in cm

**PrecipAve** Average monthly precipitation in cm

**PrecipDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly precipitation in cm

**RelHumidAve** Average monthly relative humidity in percent

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**MaxTempDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly maximum temperature in degrees Celsius

**DayTempAve** Mean average daytime temperature in degrees Celsius

**DayTempDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in average daytime temperature in degrees Celsius

**AmbVapPressAve** Average monthly average ambient vapor pressure in Pa

**AmbVapPressDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly average ambient vapor pressure in Pa

**SatVapPressAve** Average monthly average saturated vapor pressure in Pa

**SatVapPressDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly average saturated vapor pressure in Pa

**VapPressDefAve** Average monthly average vapor pressure deficit in Pa

**VapPressDefDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly average vapor pressure deficit in Pa

**Elevation** Elevation in meters

**Slope** Percent slope

**TransAspect** Transformed Aspect:  $\text{TransAspect} = (1 - \cos(\text{Aspect})) / 2$

**DistRoad** Distance to the nearest road in meters

**DistTrail** Distance to the nearest trail in meters

**DistRoadTrail** Distance to the nearest road or trail in meters

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mulleinTest

*Mullein data from Lava Beds National Monument - test dataset*

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### Description

This dataset contains information about the presence and absence of common mullein (*Verbascum thapsus*) at 1,512 randomly selected sites in Lava Beds National Monument. The data were collected in summer 2006. This dataset may be used to evaluate predictive statistical procedures that have been fit on the mullein dataset.

### Usage

mulleinTest

### Format

A data frame with 1512 observations and 32 variables. One variable identifies the presence or absence of mullein in a 30m by 30m site and 31 variables are characteristics of the site where the data were collected.

In the original data there were 12 monthly values for each of the bioclimatic predictors. Principal components analyses suggested that for each of these predictors 2 principal components explained the vast majority (95.0%-99.5%) of the total variability. Based on these analyses, indices were created for each set of bioclimatic predictors. The variables with the suffix Ave in the variable name are the average of 12 monthly variables. The variables with the suffix Diff are contrasts between the sum of the April-September monthly values and the sum of the October-December and January-March monthly values, divided by 12. Roughly speaking, these are summer-to-winter contrasts.

The variables are summarized as follows:

**VerbThap** Presence or absence of *Verbascum thapsus*, common mullein, (Absent = 0, Present = 1)

**DegreeDays** Degree days in degrees Celsius

**EvapoTransAve** Average monthly potential evapotranspiration in mm

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**PrecipAve** Average monthly precipitation in cm  
**PrecipDiff** Summer-to-winter difference in monthly precipitation in cm  
**RelHumidAve** Average monthly relative humidity in percent  
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**PotGlobRadAve** Average monthly potential global radiation in kJ  
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**AveTempAve** Average monthly average temperature in degrees Celsius  
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**TransAspect** Transformed Aspect:  $\text{TransAspect} = (1 - \cos(\text{Aspect})) / 2$   
**DistRoad** Distance to the nearest road in meters  
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