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Run the SBFC algorithm on a data set using the `sbfc` function. Make SBFC graphs based on the MCMC samples using the `sbfc_graph` function. Other analysis, e.g. feature selection plots using `signal_var_proportion` (based on how often each variable appeared in the signal group).

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corral_augmented	<i>Augmented corral data set: synthetic data with correlated attributes augmented with noise features</i>
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#### Description

This is an artificial domain where the target concept is  $(X1 \wedge X2) \vee (X3 \wedge X4)$ .  
 Data set from John et al (1994). Training and test splits from SGL.  
 The first 6 features are the real features from the original corral data set. The rest are noise features added by V. Krakovna by shuffling copies of real features.  
 The SBFC paper uses subsets of this data set with the first 100 and 1000 features.

#### Usage

```
data(corral_augmented)
```

#### Format

TrainX A matrix with 128 rows and 10000 columns.  
 TrainY A vector with 128 rows.

**References**

[John et al \(1994\) paper introducing the corral data set](#)  
[SBFC paper describing augmentation of corral data set](#)

**Examples**

```
corral_result = sbfc(data=list(TrainX=corral_augmented$TrainX[,1:6],
                             TrainY = corral_augmented$TrainY))
corral100_result = sbfc(data=list(TrainX=corral_augmented$TrainX[,1:100],
                                 TrainY = corral_augmented$TrainY))
```

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 data\_disc

*Data set discretization and formatting*


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**Description**

Removes rows containing missing data, and discretizes the data set using Minimum Description Length Partitioning (MDLP).

**Usage**

```
data_disc(data, n_train = NULL, missing = "?")
```

**Arguments**

data	Data frame, where the last column must be the class variable.
n_train	Number of data frame rows to use as the training set - the rest are used for the test set. If NULL, all rows are used for training, and there is no test set (default=NULL).
missing	Label that denotes missing values in your data frame (default='?').

**Value**

A discretized data set:

TrainX Matrix containing the training data.

TrainY Vector containing the class labels for the training data.

TestX Matrix containing the test data (optional).

TestY Vector containing the class labels for the test data (optional).

**Examples**

```
data(iris)
iris_disc = data_disc(iris)
```

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edge_density_plot	<i>Plots the density of edges in a given group over the MCMC iterations</i>
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**Description**

Plots the edge density for the given group for a range of the MCMC iterations (indicated by start and end).

**Usage**

```
edge_density_plot(sbfc_result, group, start = 0, end = 1)
```

**Arguments**

sbfc_result	An object of class sbfc.
group	Which group (0 or 1) to plot edge density for.
start	The start of the included range of MCMC iterations (default=0, i.e. starting with the first iteration).
end	The end of the included range of MCMC iterations (default=1, i.e. ending with the last iteration).

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heart	<i>Heart disease data set: disease outcomes given health attributes</i>
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**Description**

Data set from UCI repository, discretized using the mdlp package.

**Usage**

```
data(heart)
```

**Format**

TrainX A matrix with 270 rows and 13 columns.

TrainY A vector with 270 rows.

**References**

[UCI heart data set](#)

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logposterior_plot	<i>Log posterior plot</i>
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**Description**

Plots the log posterior for a range of the MCMC iterations (indicated by `start` and `end`).

**Usage**

```
logposterior_plot(sbfc_result, start = 0, end = 1, type = "trace")
```

**Arguments**

<code>sbfc_result</code>	An object of class <code>sbfc</code> .
<code>start</code>	The start of the included range of MCMC iterations (default=0, i.e. starting with the first iteration).
<code>end</code>	The end of the included range of MCMC iterations (default=1, i.e. ending with the last iteration).
<code>type</code>	Type of plot (either <code>trace</code> or <code>acf</code> , default= <code>trace</code> ).

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madelon	<i>Madelon data set: synthetic data from NIPS 2003 feature selection challenge</i>
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**Description**

This is a two-class classification problem. The difficulty is that the problem is multivariate and highly non-linear. Of the 500 features, 20 are real features, 480 are noise features. Data set from UCI repository, discretized using median cutoffs.

**Usage**

```
data(madelon)
```

**Format**

`TrainX` A matrix with 2000 rows and 500 columns.  
`TrainY` A vector with 2000 rows.  
`TestX` A matrix with 600 rows and 500 columns.  
`TestY` A vector with 600 rows.

**References**

[UCI madelon data set](#)

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sbfc

*Selective Bayesian Forest Classifier (SBFC) algorithm*


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## Description

Runs the SBFC algorithm on a discretized data set. To discretize your data, use the [data\\_disc](#) command.

## Usage

```
sbfc(
  data,
  nstep = NULL,
  thin = 50,
  burnin_denom = 5,
  cv = T,
  thinoutputs = F,
  alpha = 5,
  y_penalty = 1,
  x_penalty = 4
)
```

## Arguments

data	Discretized data set: TrainX Matrix containing the training data. TrainY Vector containing the class labels for the training data. TestX Matrix containing the test data (optional). TestY Vector containing the class labels for the test data (optional).
nstep	Number of MCMC steps, default $\max(10000, 10 * \text{ncol}(\text{TrainX}))$ .
thin	Thinning factor for the MCMC.
burnin_denom	Denominator of the fraction of total MCMC steps discarded as burnin (default=5).
cv	Do cross-validation on the training set (if test set is not provided).
thinoutputs	Return thinned MCMC outputs (parents, groups, trees, logposterior), rather than all outputs (default=FALSE).
alpha	Dirichlet hyperparameter(default=1)
y_penalty	Prior coefficient for y-edges, which penalizes signal group size (default=1)
x_penalty	Prior coefficient for x-edges, which penalizes tree size (default=4)

## Details

Data needs to be discretized before running SBFC.

If the test data matrix `TestX` is provided, SBFC runs on the entire training set `TrainX`, and provides predicted class labels for the test data. If the test data class vector `TestY` is provided, the accuracy is computed. If the test data matrix `TestX` is not provided, and `cv` is set to `TRUE`, SBFC performs cross-validation on the training data set `TrainX`, and returns predicted classes and accuracy for the training data.

## Value

An object of class `sbfc`:

`accuracy` Classification accuracy (on the test set if provided, otherwise cross-validation accuracy on training set).

`predictions` Vector of class label predictions (for the test set if provided, otherwise for the training set).

`probabilities` Matrix of class label probabilities (for the test set if provided, otherwise for the training set).

`runtime` Total runtime of the algorithm in seconds.

`parents` Matrix representing the structures sampled by MCMC, where `parents[i,j]` is the index of the parent of node `j` at iteration `i` (0 if node is a root).

`groups` Matrix representing the structures sampled by MCMC, where `groups[i,j]` indicates which group node `j` belongs to at iteration `j` (0 is noise, 1 is signal).

`trees` Matrix representing the structures sampled by MCMC, where `trees[i,j]` indicates which tree node `j` belongs to at iteration `j`.

`logposterior` Vector representing the log posterior at each iteration of the MCMC.

**Parameters** `nstep`, `thin`, `burnin_denom`, `cv`, `thinoutputs`, `alpha`, `y_penalty`, `x_penalty`.

If `cv=TRUE`, the MCMC samples from the first fold are returned (`parents`, `groups`, `trees`, `logposterior`).

## Examples

```
data(madelon)
madelon_result = sbfc(madelon)
data(heart)
heart_result = sbfc(heart, cv=FALSE)
```

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sbfc\_graph

*SBFC graph*

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## Description

Plots a sampled MCMC graph or an average of sampled graphs using Graphviz.

In average graphs, nodes are color-coded according to importance - the proportion of samples where the node appeared in Group 1 (dark-shaded nodes appear more often). In average graphs, thickness of edges also corresponds to importance: the proportion of samples where the edge appeared.



**Usage**

```
sbfc_graph(
  sbfc_result,
  iter = 10000,
  average = T,
  edge_cutoff = 0.1,
  single_noise_nodes = F,
  labels = paste0("X", 1:ncol(sbfc_result$parents)),
  save_graphviz_code = F,
  colorscheme = "blues",
  ncolors = 7,
  width = NULL,
  height = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

sbfc_result	An object of class sbfc.
iter	MCMC iteration of the sampled graph to plot, if average=F (default=10000).
average	Plot an average of sampled MCMC graphs (default=TRUE).
edge_cutoff	The average graph includes edges that appear in at least this fraction of the sampled graphs, if average=T (default=0.1).
single_noise_nodes	Plot single-node trees that appear in the noise group (Group 0) in at least 80 percent of the samples, which can be numerous for high-dimensional data sets (default=FALSE).
labels	A vector of node labels (default=c("X1", "X2", ...)).
save_graphviz_code	Save the Graphviz source code in a .gv file (default=FALSE).
colorscheme	<b>Graphviz color scheme</b> for the nodes (default="blues").
ncolors	number of colors in the palette (default=7).
width	An optional parameter for specifying the width of the resulting graphic in pixels.
height	An optional parameter for specifying the height of the resulting graphic in pixels.

**Examples**

```
data(madelon)
madelon_result = sbfc(madelon)
sbfc_graph(madelon_result)
sbfc_graph(madelon_result, average=FALSE, iter=5000) # graph for 5000th iteration
sbfc_graph(madelon_result, single_noise_nodes=TRUE) # wide graph with 480 single nodes

data(heart)
heart_result = sbfc(heart)
heart_labels = c("Age", "Sex", "Chest Pain", "Rest Blood Pressure", "Cholesterol",
"Blood Sugar", "Rest ECG", "Max Heart Rate", "Angina", "ST Depression", "ST Slope",
"Fluoroscopy Colored Vessels", "Thalassemia")
sbfc_graph(heart_result, labels=heart_labels, width=700)
```

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signal\_size\_plot      *Trace plot of Group 1 size*

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### Description

Plots the Group 1 size for a range of the MCMC iterations (indicated by `start` and `end`).

### Usage

```
signal_size_plot(sbfc_result, start = 0, end = 1, samples = F)
```

### Arguments

<code>sbfc_result</code>	An object of class <code>sbfc</code> .
<code>start</code>	The start of the included range of MCMC iterations (default=0, i.e. starting with the first iteration).
<code>end</code>	The end of the included range of MCMC iterations (default=1, i.e. ending with the last iteration).
<code>samples</code>	Calculate signal group size based on sampled MCMC graphs after burn-in and thinning, rather than graphs from all iterations (default=FALSE).

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signal\_var\_proportion      *Signal variable proportion*

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### Description

For each variable, computes the proportion of the samples in which this variable is in the signal group (Group 1). Plots the top `nvars` variables in decreasing order of signal proportion.

### Usage

```
signal_var_proportion(
  sbfc_result,
  nvars = 10,
  samples = F,
  labels = paste0("X", 1:ncol(sbfc_result$parents)),
  label_size = 1,
  rotate_labels = F
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>sbfc_result</code>	An object of class <code>sbfc</code> .
<code>nvars</code>	Number of top signal variables to include in the plot (default=10).
<code>samples</code>	Calculate signal variable proportion based on sampled MCMC graphs after burn-in and thinning, rather than graphs from all iterations (default=FALSE).
<code>labels</code>	A vector of node labels (default=c("X1", "X2", ...)).
<code>label_size</code>	Size of variable labels on the X-axis (default=1).
<code>rotate_labels</code>	Rotate x-axis labels by 90 degrees to make them vertical (default=FALSE)

**Value**

Signal proportion for the top `nvars` variables in decreasing order.

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