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## Description

Fits a multivariate model of decision trees for multiple, continuous outcome variables. A model for each outcome variable is fit separately, selecting predictors that explain covariance in the outcomes. Built on top of 'gbm', which fits an ensemble of decision trees to univariate outcomes.

## Details

The most important function is `mvtb`, which fits the multivariate tree boosting model. See `?mvtb` for details. The fitted model objects have `summary`, `print`, `plot` and `predict` methods. Additionally, `mvtb.ri` to computes the relative influence of each predictor, and `mvtb.covex` computes an estimate of the covariance explained in pairs of outcomes by predictors. These tables can be displayed as heatmaps using `mvtb.heat`. Examples for fitting, tuning and interpreting the models are available in the help pages and two package vignettes:

```
vignette("mvtboost_vignette") vignette("mvtboost_wellbeing")
```

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## References

Miller P.J., Lubke G.H, McArtor D.B., Bergeman C.S. (2015) Finding structure in data: A data mining alternative to multivariate multiple regression. *Psychological Methods*.

## See Also

`gbm`

**Examples**

```

data(wellbeing)
Y <- wellbeing[,21:26]
X <- wellbeing[,1:20]
Ys <- scale(Y)
cont.id <- unlist(lapply(X,is.numeric))
Xs <- scale(X[,cont.id])

res <- mvtb(Y=Ys,X=Xs)

summary(res)
plot(res,predictor.no = 8)
predict(res,newdata=Xs)

covex <- mvtb.covex(res, Y=Ys, X=Xs)
mvtb.cluster(covex)
par(mar=c(4,7,1,1))
mvtb.heat(covex,cexRow=.8)
par(mar=c(5,5,1,1))
mvtb.heat(t(mvtb.ri(res)),cexRow=.8,cexCol=1,dec=0)

```

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**addalpha***Add alpha*

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**Description**

Internal to colorRampPaletteAlpha but exported in case a user wants to modify

**Usage**

```
addalpha(colors, alpha = 1)
```

**Arguments**

colors	list of colors
alpha	value of alpha

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**colorRampPaletteAlpha** *Add alpha and ramps between colors*

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**Description**

Internal to mvtb.heat, but exported for easy modification

**Usage**

```
colorRampPaletteAlpha(colors, n = 32, interpolate = "linear")
```

**Arguments**

colors	original colors
n	number of colors
interpolate	linear, otherwise spline interpolation is used

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mvtb

*Fitting a Multivariate Tree Boosting Model*


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**Description**

Builds on gbm (Ridgeway 2013; Friedman, 2001) to fit a univariate tree model for each outcome, selecting predictors at each iteration that explain (co)variance in the outcomes. The number of trees included in the model can be chosen by minimizing the multivariate mean squared error using cross validation or a test set.

**Usage**

```
mvtb(Y, X,
      n.trees = 100,
      shrinkage = 0.01,
      interaction.depth = 1,
      distribution="gaussian",
      train.fraction = 1,
      bag.fraction = 1,
      cv.folds = 1,
      s = NULL,
      seednum = NULL,
      compress = FALSE,
      save.cv = FALSE,
      iter.details = TRUE,
      verbose=FALSE,
      mc.cores = 1, ...)
```

```
mvtb.fit(Y,X,
          n.trees=100,
          shrinkage=.01,
          interaction.depth=1,
          bag.fraction=1,
          s=1:nrow(X),
          seednum=NULL,...)
```

**Arguments**

Y vector, matrix, or data.frame for outcome variables with no missing values. To easily compare influences across outcomes and for numerical stability, outcome variables should be scaled to have unit variance.

<code>X</code>	vector, matrix, or data.frame of predictors. For best performance, continuous predictors should be scaled to have unit variance. Categorical variables should be converted to factors.
<code>n.trees</code>	maximum number of trees to be included in the model. Each individual tree is grown until a minimum number of observations in each node is reached.
<code>shrinkage</code>	a constant multiplier for the predictions from each tree to ensure a slow learning rate. Default is .01. Small shrinkage values may require a large number of trees to provide adequate fit.
<code>interaction.depth</code>	fixed depth of trees to be included in the model. A tree depth of 1 corresponds to fitting stumps (main effects only), higher tree depths capture higher order interactions (e.g. 2 implies a model with up to 2-way interactions)
<code>distribution</code>	Character vector specifying the distribution of all outcomes. Default is "gaussian" see <code>?gbm</code> for further details.
<code>train.fraction</code>	proportion of the sample used for training the multivariate additive model. If both <code>cv.folds</code> and <code>train.fraction</code> are specified, the CV is carried out within the training set.
<code>bag.fraction</code>	proportion of the training sample used to fit univariate trees for each response at each iteration. Default: 1
<code>cv.folds</code>	number of cross validation folds. Default: 1. Runs $k + 1$ models, where the $k$ models are run in parallel and the final model is run on the entire sample. If larger than 1, the number of trees that minimize the multivariate MSE averaged over $k$ -folds is reported in <code>object\$best.trees</code>
<code>s</code>	vector of indices denoting observations to be used for the training sample. If <code>s</code> is given, <code>train.fraction</code> is ignored.
<code>seednum</code>	integer passed to <code>set.seed</code>
<code>compress</code>	TRUE/FALSE. Compress output results list using <code>bzip2</code> (approx 10% of original size). Default is FALSE.
<code>save.cv</code>	TRUE/FALSE. Save all $k$ -fold cross-validation models. Default is FALSE.
<code>iter.details</code>	TRUE/FALSE. Return training, test, and cross-validation error at each iteration. Default is FALSE.
<code>verbose</code>	If TRUE, will print out progress and performance indicators for each model. Default is FALSE.
<code>mc.cores</code>	Number of cores for cross validation.
<code>...</code>	additional arguments passed to <code>gbm</code> . These include <code>distribution</code> , <code>weights</code> , <code>var.monotone</code> , <code>n.minobsinnode</code> , <code>keep.data</code> , <code>verbose</code> , <code>class.stratify.cv</code> . Note that other distribution arguments have not been tested.

## Details

This function selects predictors that explain covariance in multivariate outcomes. This is done efficiently by fitting separate `gbm` models for each outcome (contained in `$models`).

(Relative) influences can be retrieved using `summary` or `mvtb.ri`, which are the usual reductions in SSE due to splitting on each predictor. The covariance explained in pairs of outcomes by each

predictor can be computed using `mvtb.covex`. Partial dependence plots can be obtained from `mvtb.plot`.

The model is tuned jointly by selecting the number of trees that minimize multivariate mean squared error in a test set (by setting `train.fraction`) or averaged over `k` folds in `k`-fold cross-validation (by setting `cv.folds > 1`). The best number of trees is available via `$best.trees`. If both `cv.folds` and `train.fraction` is specified, cross-validation is carried out within the training set. If `s` is specified, `train.fraction` is ignored but cross-validation will be carried out for observations in `s`.

Cross-validation models are usually discarded but can be saved by setting `save.cv = TRUE`. CV models can be accessed from `$ocv` of the output object. Observations can be specifically set for inclusion in the training set by passing a vector of integers indexing the rows to include to `s`. Multivariate mean squared training, test, and cv error are available from `$trainerr`, `$testerr`, `$cverr` from the output object when `iter.details = TRUE`.

Since the output objects can be large, automatic compression is available by setting `compress=TRUE`. All methods that use the `mvtb` object automatically uncompress this object if necessary. The function `mvtb.uncomp` is available to manually decompress the object.

Note that trees are grown until a minimum number of observations in each node is reached. If the number of training samples `*bag.fraction` is less the minimum number of observations, (which can occur with small data sets), this will cause an error. Adjust the `n.minobsinnode`, `train.fraction`, or `bag.fraction`.

Cross-validation can be parallelized by setting `mc.cores > 1`. Parallel cross-validation is carried out using `parallel::mclapply`, which makes `mc.cores` copies of the original environment. For models with many trees (`> 100K`), memory limits can be reached rapidly. `mc.cores` will not work on Windows.

## Value

Fitted model. This is a list containing the following elements:

- `models` - list of `gbm` models for each outcome. Functions from the `gbm` package (e.g. to compute relative influence, print trees, obtain predictions, etc) can be directly applied to each of these models
- `best.trees` - A list containing the number of trees that minimize the multivariate MSE in a test set or by CV, and `n.trees`. Many of the functions in the package default to using the minimum value of the three.
- `params` - arguments to `mvtb`
- `trainerr` - multivariate training error at each tree (If `iter.details = TRUE`)
- `testerr` - multivariate test error at each tree (if `train.fraction < 1` and `iter.details = TRUE`)
- `cverr` - multivariate cv error at each tree (if `cv.folds > 1` and `iter.details = TRUE`)
- `ocv` - the CV models if `save.cv=TRUE`
- `s` - indices of training sample
- `n` - number of observations
- `xnames`
- `yname`s

## Functions

- `mvtb.fit`:

## References

Miller P.J., Lubke G.H, McArtor D.B., Bergeman C.S. (Accepted) Finding structure in data with multivariate tree boosting.

Ridgeway, G., Southworth, M. H., & RUnit, S. (2013). Package 'gbm'. Viitattu, 10, 2013.

Elith, J., Leathwick, J. R., & Hastie, T. (2008). A working guide to boosted regression trees. *Journal of Animal Ecology*, 77(4), 802-813.

Friedman, J. H. (2001). Greedy function approximation: a gradient boosting machine. *Annals of statistics*, 1189-1232.

## See Also

`summary.mvtb`, `predict.mvtb`

`mvtb.covex` to estimate the covariance explained in pairs of outcomes by predictors

`mvtb.nonlin` to help detect nonlinear effects or interactions

`plot.mvtb`, `mvtb.perspec` for partial dependence plots

`mvtb.uncomp` to uncompress a compressed output object

## Examples

```
data(wellbeing)
Y <- wellbeing[,21:26]
X <- wellbeing[,1:20]
Ys <- scale(Y)
cont.id <- unlist(lapply(X,is.numeric))
Xs <- scale(X[,cont.id])

## Fit the model
res <- mvtb(Y=Ys,X=Xs)

## Interpret the model
summary(res)
covex <- mvtb.covex(res, Y=Ys, X=Xs)
plot(res,predictor.no = 8)
predict(res,newdata=Xs)
mvtb.cluster(covex)
mvtb.heat(t(mvtb.ri(res)),cexRow=.8,cexCol=1,dec=0)
```

mvtb.cluster

*Clustering the covariance explained or relative influence matrix***Description**

The 'covariance explained' by each predictor is the reduction in covariance between each pair of outcomes due to splitting on each predictor over all trees (`$covex`). To aid in the interpretability of the covariance explained matrix, this function clusters the rows (pairs of outcomes) and the columns (predictors) of `object$covex` so that groups of predictors that explain similar pairs of covariances are closer together. This function can also be used to cluster the relative influence matrix. In this case, the rows (usually outcomes) and columns (usually predictors) with similar values will be clustered together.

**Usage**

```
mvtb.cluster(x, clust.method = "complete", dist.method = "euclidean",
  plot = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	Any matrix, such as <code>mvtb.covex(object)</code> , or <code>mvtb.ri(object)</code> .
<code>clust.method</code>	clustering method for rows and columns. This should be (an unambiguous abbreviation of) one of "ward.D", "ward.D2", "single", "complete", "average" (= UPGMA), "mcquitty" (= WPGMA), "median" (= WPGMC) or "centroid" (= UPGMC).
<code>dist.method</code>	method for computing the distance between two lower triangular covariance matrices. This must be one of "euclidean", "maximum", "manhattan", "canberra", "binary" or "minkowski". Any unambiguous substring can be given.
<code>plot</code>	Produces a heatmap of the covariance explained matrix. see <code>?mvtb.heat</code>
<code>...</code>	Arguments passed to <code>mvtb.heat</code>

**Details**

The covariance explained by each predictor is only unambiguous if the predictors are uncorrelated and `interaction.depth = 1`. If predictors are not independent, the decomposition of covariance explained is only approximate (like the decomposition of  $R^2$  by each predictor in a linear model). If `interaction.depth > 1`, the following heuristic is used: the covariance explained by the tree is assigned to the predictor with the largest influence in each tree.

Note that different distances measures (e.g. "manhattan", "euclidean") provide different ways to measure (dis)similarities between the covariance explained patterns for each predictor. See `?dist` for further details. After the distances have been computed, `hclust` is used to form clusters. Different clustering methods (e.g. "ward.D", "complete") generally group rows and columns differently (see `?hclust` for further details). It is suggested to try different distance measures and clustering methods to obtain the most interpretable solution. The defaults are for "euclidean" distances and "complete" clustering. Transposing the rows and columns may also lead to different results.



A simple heatmap of the clustered matrix can be obtained by setting `plot=TRUE`. Details of the plotting procedure are available via `mvtb.heat`.

`covex` values smaller than `getOption("digits")` are truncated to 0. Note that it is possible to obtain negative variance explained due to sampling fluctuation. These can be truncated or ignored.

### Value

clustered covariance matrix, with re-ordered rows and columns.

### See Also

`mvtb.heat`

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`mvtb.covex`

*Estimate the covariance explained matrix*

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### Description

Estimate the covariance explained matrix

### Usage

```
mvtb.covex(object, Y, X, n.trees = NULL, iter.details = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

<code>object</code>	an object of class <code>mvtb</code>
<code>Y</code>	vector, matrix, or <code>data.frame</code> for outcome variables with no missing values. To easily compare influences across outcomes and for numerical stability, outcome variables should be scaled to have unit variance.
<code>X</code>	vector, matrix, or <code>data.frame</code> of predictors. For best performance, continuous predictors should be scaled to have unit variance. Categorical variables should be converted to factors.
<code>n.trees</code>	number of trees to use. Defaults to the minimum number of trees by CV, test, or training error
<code>iter.details</code>	TRUE/FALSE. Return the loss, relative loss, and selected predictors at each iteration as a list

### Value

Covariance explained matrix, or a list if `iter.details` is TRUE.

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mvtb.heat

*Clustered heatmap of tables from mvtb*


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### Description

Simple (clustered) heatmap of tables from mvtb (relative influence, covariance explained)

### Usage

```
mvtb.heat(x, clust.method = "ward.D", dist.method = "manhattan", dec = 2,
  numformat = NULL, col = NULL, cexRow = NULL, cexCol = NULL, ...)
```

### Arguments

x	Any table. For example: the covariance explained from <code>mvtb.covex</code> , or relative influence <code>mvtb.ri(res)</code> .
clust.method	clustering method for rows and columns. This should be (an unambiguous abbreviation of) one of "ward.D", "ward.D2", "single", "complete", "average" (= UPGMA), "mcquitty" (= WPGMA), "median" (= WPGMC) or "centroid" (= UPGMC). If NULL, unclustered.
dist.method	method for computing the distance between two lower triangular covariance matrices. This must be one of "euclidean", "maximum", "manhattan", "canberra", "binary" or "minkowski". Any unambiguous substring can be given.
dec	Number of decimal places to round to if numformat is unspecified. Defaults to 2.
numformat	function to format the covex values into strings. Defaults to removing leading 0 and rounding to dec = 2 decimal places.
col	A list of colors mapping onto covex explained values. A white to black gradient is default.
cexRow,	See <code>cex.axis</code> from <code>par</code> . The magnification used for the row axis labels. A useful default is provided.
cexCol,	See <code>cex.axis</code> from <code>par</code> . The magnification used for the col axis labels. The default is set equal to the row axis labels.
...	extra arguments are passed to <code>image</code> , then to <code>plot</code> . See <code>?image</code> , <code>?par</code>

### Details

The row and column names of `x` are used for the labels. See the examples for modifying the default colors.

### Value

heatmap of `x`, usually a covariance explained matrix or a matrix of (relative) influences.

**See Also**

plot.mvtb, mvtb.perspec

**Examples**

```
data(wellbeing)
Y <- wellbeing[,21:26]
X <- wellbeing[,1:20]
Ys <- scale(Y)
cont.id <- unlist(lapply(X,is.numeric))
Xs <- scale(X[,cont.id])

res <- mvtb(Y=Ys,X=Xs)

covex <- mvtb.covex(res, Y=Ys, X=Xs)
par(mar=c(4,7,1,1))
mvtb.heat(covex,cexRow=.8)

col <- colorRampPaletteAlpha(RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(9,"Greys"),100)
mvtb.heat(covex, Y=Ys, X=Xs, col=col, cexRow=.8)

par(mar=c(5,5,1,1))
mvtb.heat(t(mvtb.ri(res)),cexRow=.8,cexCol=1,dec=0)
```

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mvtb.nonlin	<i>Detect departures from linearity from a multivariate tree boosting model.</i>
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**Description**

Detect departures from linearity from a multivariate tree boosting model.

**Usage**

```
mvtb.nonlin(object, Y, X, n.trees = NULL, detect = "grid", scale = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

object	object of class mvtb
Y	matrix of predictors
X	matrix of responses
n.trees	number of trees. Defaults to the minimum number of trees given that minimize CV, test, training error.
detect	method for testing possible non-linear effects or interactions. Possible values are "grid", "influence", and "lm". See details.
scale	For method "influence", whether the resulting influences are scaled to sum to 100.

## Details

This function provides a statistic to detect departures from linearity in the multivariate boosting model for any outcome as a function of pairs of predictors. These departures could be interactions between pairs of variables, or more general non-linear effects. Please note that these methods should be interpreted as exploratory only.

Several methods are provided for detecting departures from non-linearity from pairs of predictors. The "grid" method computes a grid of the model implied predictions as a function of two predictors, averaging over the others. A linear model predicting the observed outcomes from the predicted values is fit, and the mean squared residuals (times 1000) are reported. Large residuals indicate deviations from linearity.

The "influence" method computes the reductions in SSE attributable to predictors after the first split on the tree. These reductions in sums of squared error (or influences) indicate to what extent individual predictors capture deviations from linear, main effects.

The "lm" method is the same as the "grid" method, but produces the grid of predicted values by conditioning on the average values of the other predictors rather than averaging over the values of the other predictors (see Elith et al., 2008). Like the "grid" approach, large residuals from a linear model (times 1000) indicate departures from linearity.

A final option is to use `gbm::interact.gbm` from the `gbm` package to detect interactions. It can be used directly on individual `mvtb` output models from `object$models`.

These methods are not necessarily overlapping, and can produce different results. We suggest using several approaches, followed by plotting the model implied effects of the two predictors.

## Value

For each outcome, a list is produced showing the interactions in two forms. The first is `$rank.list`, which shows the nonlinear effect for each pair of predictors ranked according to the size of the departure from non-linearity. The second, `$interactions`, shows the departure from non-linearity for all pairs of predictors.

## References

- Miller P.J., Lubke G.H, McArtor D.B., Bergeman C.S. (Submitted) Finding structure in data: A data mining alternative to multivariate multiple regression. *Psychological Methods*.
- Elith, J., Leathwick, J. R., & Hastie, T. (2008). A working guide to boosted regression trees. *Journal of Animal Ecology*, 77(4), 802-813.
- Friedman, J. H., & Meulman, J. J. (2003). Multiple additive regression trees with application in epidemiology. *Statistics in medicine*, 22(9), 1365-1381.

## See Also

`interact.gbm`, `mvtb.perspec`, `plot.gbm`

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mvtb.perspec	<i>Perspective plot for 2 predictors and 1 response.</i>
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### Description

This is a plot of the model implied function of 2 predictors averaged over the other predictors included in the model. This is called a partial dependence plot. As an alternative to the perspective (3D) plot, a 2D heat plot can be obtained directly using `?plot.gbm`.

### Usage

```
mvtb.perspec(object, response.no = 1, predictor.no = 1:2, n.trees = NULL,
             phi = 15, theta = -55, r = sqrt(10), d = 3, xlab = NULL,
             ylab = NULL, zlab = NULL, ticktype = "detailed", ...)
```

### Arguments

object	mvtb output object
response.no	index of the response variable
predictor.no	vector containing indices of the predictor variables to plot
n.trees	desired number of trees. Defaults to the minimum number of trees by CV, test, or training error
phi	angle of viewing direction. See <code>?persp</code> .
theta	angle of viewing direction See <code>?persp</code> .
r	distance from eye to center. See <code>?persp</code> .
d	strength of perspective. See <code>?persp</code> .
xlab,	title for x axis, must be character strings.
ylab,	title for y axis, must be character strings.
zlab,	title for z axis, must be character strings.
ticktype	'detailed' gives axis points. See <code>?persp</code> for other options.
...	extra arguments are passed to <code>persp</code> . See <code>?persp</code>

### Value

Function returns a plot.

### See Also

`plot.gbm`, `plot.mvtb`, `mvtb.heat`

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mvtb.ri	<i>Computes the relative influence of each predictor for each outcome</i>
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**Description**

The relative influence of a predictor is the reduction in sums of squares attributable to splits on individual predictors. It is often expressed as a percent (sums to 100).

**Usage**

```
mvtb.ri(object, n.trees = NULL, relative = "col", ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	mvtb output object
n.trees	number of trees to use. Defaults to the minimum number of trees by CV, test, or training error
relative	How to scale the multivariate influences. If "col", each column sums to 100. If "tot", the whole matrix sums to 100 (a percent). Otherwise, the raw reductions in SSE are returned.
...	Additional arguments passed to <code>gbm::relative.influence</code>

**Value**

Matrix of (relative) influences.

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mvtb.uncomp	<i>Uncompress a compressed mvtb output object</i>
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**Description**

This function uncompresses a compressed mvtb output object. All elements are uncompressed.

**Usage**

```
mvtb.uncomp(object)
```

**Arguments**

object	an object of class mvtb
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plot.mv <b>tb</b>	<i>Plots the model implied effect of 1 predictor for one outcome</i>
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**Description**

Plots the model implied effect of 1 predictor for one outcome

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'mvtb'
plot(x, predictor.no = 1, response.no = 1, n.trees = NULL,
     X = NULL, xlab = NULL, ylab = NULL, return.grid = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	mv <b>tb</b> output object
predictor.no	index of the predictor variable
response.no	index of the response variable
n.trees	desired number of trees. Defaults to the minimum number of trees by CV, test, or training error
X	optional vector, matrix, or data.frame of predictors. If included, a 'rug' (a small vertical line for each observation) is plotted on the x-axis showing the density of predictor.no.
xlab	label of the x axis
ylab	label of the y axis
return.grid	TRUE/FALSE return the prediction grid from gbm. Default is FALSE.
...	extra arguments are passed to plot. See ?par

**Details**

This is the classic partial dependence plot, where the model implied effect of the chosen predictor is plotted controlling for the other predictors. In addition to the model-implied effect, the relative influence of the predictor is included in the x-axis label. If this is not desired, a custom label can be provided via xlab.

**Value**

Produces a plot of the model implied effect along with the relative influence of the predictor. If return.grid=TRUE, returns the plotting matrix as well.

**See Also**

plot.gbm, mv**tb**.perspec, for other plots, mv**tb**.heat to plot the covariance explained by predictors in a heatmap

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predict.mv <b>tb</b>	<i>Predicted values</i>
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**Description**

Predicted values

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'mvtb'
predict(object, n.trees = NULL, newdata, drop = TRUE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	mv <b>tb</b> object
n.trees	number of trees. If a vector, returns predictions in an array. Defaults to the minimum number of trees by CV, test, or training error
newdata	matrix of predictors.
drop	TRUE/FALSE Drop any dimensions of length 1
...	not used

**Value**

Returns an (array, matrix, vector) of predictions for all outcomes. The third dimension corresponds to the predictions at a given number of trees, the second dimension corresponds to the number of outcomes.

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print.mv <b>tb</b>	<i>Simple default printing of the mv<b>tb</b> output object</i>
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**Description**

Simple default printing of the mv**tb** output object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'mvtb'
print(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	mv <b>tb</b> output object
...	unused



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summary.mvtb	<i>Computes a summary of the multivariate tree boosting model</i>
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**Description**

Computes a summary of the multivariate tree boosting model

**Usage**

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## S3 method for class 'mvtb'
summary(object, print = TRUE, n.trees = NULL,
        relative = "col", ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	mvtb output object
print	result (default is TRUE)
n.trees	number of trees used to compute relative influence. Defaults to the minimum number of trees by CV, test, or training error
relative	relative If 'col', each column sums to 100. If 'tot', the whole matrix sums to 100 (a percent). If 'n', the raw reductions in SSE are returned.
...	additional arguments affecting the summary produced.

**Value**

Returns the best number of trees, the univariate relative influence of each predictor for each outcome, and covariance explained in pairs of outcomes by each predictor

**See Also**

mvtb.ri, gbm.ri, mvtb.cluster

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wellbeing	<i>Psychological well-being</i>
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**Description**

This data set contains 984 survey responses on the psychological well being (Ryff & Keyes, 1995) of middle-aged and older adults from the Notre Dame Study of Health and Well Being (Bergeman & Deboek, 2014). Psychological well-being has 6 sub-scales - autonomy, environmental mastery (envmast), personal growth (prsgrowth), positive relationships with others (posrel), purpose in life (prpsnlf), and self acceptance. These sub-scales are columns 21:26.

The following predictors of psychological well-being are included:

- gender
- age (18-91)
- education (educ, with levels high-school, vocational, some-college, graduate degree, other)
- income (inc, with binned levels)
- chronic health problems (chrhlth)
- somatic health problems (somhlth)
- self-reported health problems (slfhlth)
- positive affect (posaff)
- negative affect (negaff)
- positive social control (psctrl)
- control of internal states (cistot)
- commitment (comit)
- control (ctrl)
- challenge (chlng)
- ego resilience (egores)
- positive social support from friends/family (pssfrnd, pssfam)
- perceived stressful emotions (pssemot)
- perceived stressful problems (pssprob)
- loneliness (lonlnes)

\* Note: This data set is only included for demonstration of the software. No other use of the data is permitted. Additional noise has been added to this data set to protect privacy.

### **Usage**

wellbeing

### **Format**

A data frame of 984 observations and 26 variables (6 outcomes and 20 predictors)

### **Source**

Bergeman, C. S., & Deboeck, P. R. (2014). Trait stress resistance and dynamic stress dissipation on health and well-being: The reservoir model. *Research in Human Development*, 11(2), 108-125.

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