Using R/Apache as the Statistical Engine for Web Applications

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Apache 2.0 Multi-Processing Models

Hello World Example: http://locahost/test/hello





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GDD/NRart Example



GDD/NRart Example Output



RApache Demonstrations

- Full Feature Test Handler
 - Demonstrates all the capabilities of RApache include CGI, manipulating HTTP headers, and file uploading.
- EVT-Web
 - Implements a web interface to a protein searching algorithm using Extreme Value Theory. The web interface takes a group of related proteins as input from the user and generates a profile via an external program (MEME). Then a model is built to predict which other proteins from a large database (MySQL) are also related to the group of proteins that the user specified.
- Polyart
 - Demonstrates the use of RApache as a web service to explore images created through the process of finding roots of functions, i.e. using the NRart package.

Ongoing Work

- Rmemcache
 - Implements client API to memcached, a possibly distributed cache (not a database) of small objects. R objects are stored in memcache server via serialize().
- udbMySQL
 - Uses the "User Defined Database" interface to store R objects of arbitrary size and structure in a MySQL table.
- Getting the next release out the door
 - Testing against Apache 2.2, R-2.3.1. Looking into getting rid of some of the apache.* methods in favor of a more transparent interface, especially apache.write().

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