

Package ‘fastTextR’

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Description An interface to the 'fastText' library
<<https://github.com/facebookresearch/fastText>>. The package
can be used for text classification and to learn word vectors.
An example how to use 'fastTextR' can be found in the 'README' file.

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fasttext	<i>Create a New FastText Model</i>
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Description

Create a new FastText model. The available methods are the same as the package functions but without the prefix "ft_" and without the need to provide the model.

Usage

```
fasttext()
```

Examples

```
ft <- fasttext()
```

ft_analogies	<i>Get Analogies</i>
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Description

TODO

Usage

```
ft_analogies(model, word_triplets, k = 10L)
```

Arguments

model	an object inheriting from "fasttext".
word_triplets	a character vector of length string giving the word.
k	an integer giving the number of nearest neighbors to be returned.

Value

.

Examples

```
## Not run:  
ft_analogies(model, c("berlin", "germany", "france"), k = 6L)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

ft_control	<i>Default Control Settings</i>
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Description

A auxiliary function for defining the control variables.

Usage

```
ft_control(  
  loss = c("softmax", "hs", "ns"),  
  learning_rate = 0.05,  
  learn_update = 100L,  
  word_vec_size = 100L,  
  window_size = 5L,  
  epoch = 5L,  
  min_count = 5L,  
  min_count_label = 0L,  
  neg = 5L,  
  max_len_ngram = 1L,  
  nbuckets = 2000000L,  
  min_ngram = 3L,  
  max_ngram = 6L,  
  nthreads = 1L,  
  threshold = 1e-04,  
  label = "__label__",  
  verbose = 0,  
  pretrained_vectors = "",  
  output = "",  
  save_output = FALSE,  
  seed = 0L,  
  qnorm = FALSE,  
  retrain = FALSE,  
  qout = FALSE,  
  cutoff = 0L,  
  dsub = 2L,  
  autotune_validation_file = "",
```

```

    autotune_metric = "f1",
    autotune_predictions = 1L,
    autotune_duration = 300L,
    autotune_model_size = ""
)

```

Arguments

loss	a character string giving the name of the loss function allowed values are 'softmax', 'hs' and 'ns'.
learning_rate	a numeric giving the learning rate, the default value is 0.05.
learn_update	an integer giving after how many tokens the learning rate should be updated. The default value is 100L, which means the learning rate is updated every 100 tokens.
word_vec_size	an integer giving the length (size) of the word vectors.
window_size	an integer giving the size of the context window.
epoch	an integer giving the number of epochs.
min_count	an integer giving the minimal number of word occurrences.
min_count_label	and integer giving the minimal number of label occurrences.
neg	an integer giving how many negatives are sampled (only used if loss is "ns").
max_len_ngram	an integer giving the maximum length of ngrams used.
nbuckets	an integer giving the number of buckets.
min_ngram	an integer giving the minimal ngram length.
max_ngram	an integer giving the maximal ngram length.
nthreads	an integer giving the number of threads.
threshold	a numeric giving the sampling threshold.
label	a character string specifying the label prefix (default is '__label__').
verbose	an integer giving the verbosity level, the default value is 0L and shouldn't be changed since Rcpp::Rcout can't handle the traffic.
pretrained_vectors	a character string giving the file path to the pretrained word vectors which are used for the supervised learning.
output	a character string giving the output file path.
save_output	a logical (default is FALSE)
seed	an integer
qnorm	a logical (default is FALSE)
retrain	a logical (default is FALSE)
qout	a logical (default is FALSE)
cutoff	an integer (default is 0L)
dsub	an integer (default is 2L)

autotune_validation_file
a character string

autotune_metric
a character string (default is "f1")

autotune_predictions
an integer (default is 1L)

autotune_duration
an integer (default is 300L)

autotune_model_size
a character string

Value

a list with the control variables.

Examples

```
ft_control(learning_rate=0.1)
```

ft_load

Load Model

Description

Load a previously saved model from file.

Usage

```
ft_load(file)
```

Arguments

file a character string giving the name of the file to be read in.

Value

an object inheriting from "fasttext".

Examples

```
## Not run:  
model <- ft_load("dbpedia.bin")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

ft_nearest_neighbors *Get Nearest Neighbors*

Description

TODO

Usage

```
ft_nearest_neighbors(model, word, k = 10L)
```

Arguments

model	an object inheriting from "fasttext".
word	a character string giving the word.
k	an integer giving the number of nearest neighbors to be returned.

Value

.

Examples

```
## Not run:  
ft_nearest_neighbors(model, "enviroment", k = 6L)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

ft_normalize *Normalize*

Description

Applies normalization to a given text.

Usage

```
ft_normalize(txt)
```

Arguments

txt	a character vector to be normalized.
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Value

a character vector.

Examples

```
## Not run:  
ft_normalize(some_text)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

ft_save

Write Model

Description

Write a previously saved model from file.

Usage

```
ft_save(model, file, what = c("model", "vectors", "output"))
```

Arguments

model	an object inheriting from 'fasttext'.
file	a character string giving the name of the file.
what	a character string giving what should be saved.

Examples

```
## Not run:  
ft_save(model, "my_model.bin", what = "model")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

ft_sentence_vectors

Get Sentence Vectors

Description

Obtain sentence vectors from a previously trained model.

Usage

```
ft_sentence_vectors(model, sentences)
```

Arguments

model	an object inheriting from "fasttext".
sentences	a character vector giving the sentences.

Value

a matrix containing the sentence vectors.

Examples

```
## Not run:  
ft_sentence_vectors(model, c("sentence", "vector"))  
  
## End(Not run)
```

ft_test

Evaluate the Model

Description

Evaluate the quality of the predictions. For the model evaluation precision and recall are used.

Usage

```
ft_test(model, file, k = 1L, threshold = 0)
```

Arguments

model	an object inheriting from 'fasttext'.
file	a character string giving the location of the validation file.
k	an integer giving the number of labels to be returned.
threshold	a double giving the threshold.

Examples

```
## Not run:  
ft_test(model, file)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

ft_train	<i>Train a Model</i>
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Description

Train a new word representation model or supervised classification model.

Usage

```
ft_train(  
  file,  
  method = c("supervised", "cbow", "skipgram"),  
  control = ft_control(),  
  ...  
)
```

Arguments

file	a character string giving the location of the input file.
method	a character string giving the method, possible values are 'supervised', 'cbow' and 'skipgram'.
control	a list giving the control variables, for more information see ft_control .
...	additional control arguments inserted into the control list.

Examples

```
## Not run:  
cntrl <- ft_control(nthreads = 1L)  
model <- ft_train("my_data.txt", method="supervised", control = cntrl)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

ft_words	<i>Get Words</i>
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Description

Obtain all the words from a previously trained model.

Usage

```
ft_words(model)
```

Arguments

model	an object inheriting from "fasttext".
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Value

a character vector.

Examples

```
## Not run:  
ft_words(model)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

ft_word_vectors	<i>Get Word Vectors</i>
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Description

Obtain word vectors from a previously trained model.

Usage

```
ft_word_vectors(model, words)
```

Arguments

model	an object inheriting from "fasttext".
words	a character vector giving the words.

Value

a matrix containing the word vectors.

Examples

```
## Not run:  
ft_word_vectors(model, c("word", "vector"))  
  
## End(Not run)
```

```
predict.supervised_model
```

Predict using a Previously Trained Model

Description

Predict values based on a previously trained model.

Usage

```
ft_predict(
  model,
  newdata,
  k = 1L,
  threshold = 0,
  rval = c("sparse", "dense", "slam"),
  ...
)
```

Arguments

model	an object inheriting from 'fasttext'.
newdata	a character vector giving the new data.
k	an integer giving the number of labels to be returned.
threshold	a double withing $[0, 1]$ giving lower bound on the probabilities. Predictions with probabilities below this lower bound are not returned. The default is 0 which means all predictions are returned.
rval	a character string controlling the return value, allowed values are "sparse", "dense" and "slam". The default is sparse, here the values are returned as a data.frame in a format similar to a simple triplet matrix (sometimes refereed to as the coordinate format). If rval is set to "dense", a matrix of the probabilities is returned. Similarly if rval is set to "slam", a matrix in the simple triplet sparse format from the slam package is returned.
...	currently not used.

Value

NULL if a 'result_file' is given otherwise if 'prob' is true a data.frame with the predicted labels and the corresponding probabilities, if 'prob' is false a character vector with the predicted labels.

Examples

```
## Not run:
ft_predict(model, newdata)

## End(Not run)
```

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