

# Package ‘ttgsea’

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**Title** Tokenizing Text of Gene Set Enrichment Analysis

**Description** Functional enrichment analysis methods such as gene set enrichment analysis (GSEA) have been widely used for analyzing gene expression data. GSEA is a powerful method to infer results of gene expression data at a level of gene sets by calculating enrichment scores for predefined sets of genes. GSEA depends on the availability and accuracy of gene sets. There are overlaps between terms of gene sets or categories because multiple terms may exist for a single biological process, and it can thus lead to redundancy within enriched terms. In other words, the sets of related terms are overlapping. Using deep learning, this package is aimed to predict enrichment scores for unique tokens or words from text in names of gene sets to resolve this overlapping set issue. Furthermore, we can coin a new term by combining tokens and find its enrichment score by predicting such a combined tokens.

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| bi_gru | <i>Bidirectional GRU with embedding layer</i> |
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**Description**

A predefined function that is used as a model in "ttgsea". This is a simple model, but you can define your own model. The loss function is "mean\_squared\_error" and the optimizer is "adam". Pearson correlation is used as a metric.

**Usage**

```
bi_gru(num_tokens, embedding_dim, length_seq, num_units)
```

**Arguments**

- num\_tokens      maximum number of tokens
- embedding\_dim   a non-negative integer for dimension of the dense embedding
- length\_seq      length of input sequences, input length of "layer\_embedding"
- num\_units       dimensionality of the output space in the GRU layer

**Value**

model

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

keras::keras\_model, keras::layer\_input, keras::layer\_embedding, keras::layer\_gru, keras::bidirectional, keras::layer\_dense, keras::compile

**Examples**

```
library(reticulate)
if (keras::is_keras_available() & reticulate::py_available()) {
  num_tokens <- 1000
  length_seq <- 30
  embedding_dim <- 50
  num_units <- 32
  model <- bi_gru(num_tokens, embedding_dim, length_seq, num_units)

  # stacked gru
  num_units_1 <- 32
  num_units_2 <- 16
  stacked_gru <- function(num_tokens, embedding_dim, length_seq,
                           num_units_1, num_units_2)
  {
    model <- keras::keras_model_sequential() %>%
      keras::layer_embedding(input_dim = num_tokens,
                             output_dim = embedding_dim,
                             input_length = length_seq,
                             mask_zero = TRUE) %>%
      keras::layer_gru(units = num_units_1,
                        activation = "relu",
                        return_sequences = TRUE) %>%
      keras::layer_gru(units = num_units_2,
                        activation = "relu") %>%
      keras::layer_dense(1)

    model %>%
      keras::compile(loss = "mean_squared_error",
                      optimizer = "adam",
                      metrics = custom_metric("pearson_correlation",
                                              metric_pearson_correlation))
  }
}
```

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bi\_lstm

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*Bidirectional LSTM with embedding layer*


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**Description**

A predefined function that is used as a model in "ttgsea". This is a simple model, but you can define your own model. The loss function is "mean\_squared\_error" and the optimizer is "adam". Pearson correlation is used as a metric.

**Usage**

```
bi_lstm(num_tokens, embedding_dim, length_seq, num_units)
```

**Arguments**

|               |                                                              |
|---------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| num_tokens    | maximum number of tokens                                     |
| embedding_dim | a non-negative integer for dimension of the dense embedding  |
| length_seq    | length of input sequences, input length of "layer_embedding" |
| num_units     | dimensionality of the output space in the LSTM layer         |

**Value**

model

**Author(s)**

Dongmin Jung

**See Also**

keras::keras\_model, keras::layer\_input, keras::layer\_embedding, keras::layer\_lstm, keras::bidirectional, keras::layer\_dense, keras::compile

**Examples**

```
library(reticulate)
if (keras::is_keras_available() & reticulate::py_available()) {
  num_tokens <- 1000
  length_seq <- 30
  embedding_dim <- 50
  num_units <- 32
  model <- bi_lstm(num_tokens, embedding_dim, length_seq, num_units)

  # stacked lstm
  num_units_1 <- 32
  num_units_2 <- 16
  stacked_lstm <- function(num_tokens, embedding_dim, length_seq,
                           num_units_1, num_units_2)
  {
    model <- keras::keras_model_sequential() %>%
      keras::layer_embedding(input_dim = num_tokens,
                            output_dim = embedding_dim,
                            input_length = length_seq,
                            mask_zero = TRUE) %>%
      keras::layer_lstm(units = num_units_1,
                       activation = "relu",
                       return_sequences = TRUE) %>%
      keras::layer_lstm(units = num_units_2,
                       activation = "relu") %>%
```

```

keras::layer_dense(1)

model %>%
  keras::compile(loss = "mean_squared_error",
                 optimizer = "adam",
                 metrics = custom_metric("pearson_correlation",
                                         metric_pearson_correlation))
}

```

fit\_model

*Deep learning model fitting*

### Description

From the result of GSEA, we can predict enrichment scores for unique tokens or words from text in names of gene sets by using deep learning. The function "text\_token" is used for tokenizing text and the function "token\_vector" is used for encoding. Then the encoded sequence is fed to the embedding layer of the model.

### Usage

```

fit_model(gseaRes, text, score, model, ngram_min = 1, ngram_max = 2,
          num_tokens, length_seq, epochs, batch_size,
          use_generator = TRUE, ...)

```

### Arguments

|               |                                                                                                                                              |
|---------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| gseaRes       | a table with GSEA result having rows for gene sets and columns for text and scores                                                           |
| text          | column name for text data                                                                                                                    |
| score         | column name for enrichment score                                                                                                             |
| model         | deep learning model, input dimension and length for the embedding layer must be same to the "num_token" and "length_seq", respectively       |
| ngram_min     | minimum size of an n-gram (default: 1)                                                                                                       |
| ngram_max     | maximum size of an n-gram (default: 2)                                                                                                       |
| num_tokens    | maximum number of tokens, it must be equal to the input dimension of "layer_embedding" in the "model"                                        |
| length_seq    | length of input sequences, it must be equal to the input length of "layer_embedding" in the "model"                                          |
| epochs        | number of epochs                                                                                                                             |
| batch_size    | batch size                                                                                                                                   |
| use_generator | if "use_generator" is TRUE, the function "sampling_generator" is used for "fit_generator". Otherwise, the "fit" is used without a generator. |
| ...           | additional parameters for the "fit" or "fit_generator"                                                                                       |

**Value**

|            |                                                                          |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| model      | trained model                                                            |
| tokens     | information for tokens                                                   |
| token_pred | prediction for every token, each row has a token and its predicted score |
| token_gsea | list of the GSEA result only for the corresponding token                 |
| num_tokens | maximum number of tokens                                                 |
| length_seq | length of input sequences                                                |

**Author(s)**

Dongmin Jung

**See Also**

keras::fit\_generator, keras::layer\_embedding, keras::pad\_sequences, textstem::lemmatize\_strings, text2vec::create\_vocabulary, text2vec::prune\_vocabulary

**Examples**

```
library(reticulate)
if (keras::is_keras_available() & reticulate::py_available()) {
  library(fgsea)
  data(examplePathways)
  data(exampleRanks)
  names(examplePathways) <- gsub("_", " ",
                                substr(names(examplePathways), 9, 1000))

  set.seed(1)
  fgseaRes <- fgsea(examplePathways, exampleRanks)

  num_tokens <- 1000
  length_seq <- 30
  batch_size <- 32
  embedding_dims <- 50
  num_units <- 32
  epochs <- 1

  ttgseaRes <- fit_model(fgseaRes, "pathway", "NES",
                        model = bi_gru(num_tokens,
                                       embedding_dims,
                                       length_seq,
                                       num_units),
                        num_tokens = num_tokens,
                        length_seq = length_seq,
                        epochs = epochs,
                        batch_size = batch_size,
                        use_generator = FALSE)
}
```



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plot\_model

*visualization of the model architecture*


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### Description

You are allowed to create a visualization of your model architecture. This architecture displays the information about the name, input shape, and output shape of layers in a flowchart.

### Usage

```
plot_model(x)
```

### Arguments

x                      deep learning model

### Value

plot for the model architecture

### Author(s)

Dongmin Jung

### See Also

purrr::map, purrr::map\_chr, purrr::pluck, purrr::imap\_dfr, DiagrammeR::grViz

### Examples

```
library(reticulate)
if (keras::is_keras_available() & reticulate::py_available()) {
  inputs1 <- layer_input(shape = c(1000))
  inputs2 <- layer_input(shape = c(1000))

  predictions1 <- inputs1 %>%
    layer_dense(units = 128, activation = 'relu') %>%
    layer_dense(units = 64, activation = 'relu') %>%
    layer_dense(units = 32, activation = 'softmax')

  predictions2 <- inputs2 %>%
    layer_dense(units = 128, activation = 'relu') %>%
    layer_dense(units = 64, activation = 'relu') %>%
    layer_dense(units = 32, activation = 'softmax')

  combined <- layer_concatenate(c(predictions1, predictions2)) %>%
    layer_dense(units = 16, activation = 'softmax')
```

```

model <- keras_model(inputs = c(inputs1, inputs2),
                     outputs = combined)
plot_model(model)
}

```

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| predict_model | <i>Model prediction</i> |
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## Description

From the result of the function "ttgsea", we can predict enrichment scores. For each new term, lemmatized text, predicted enrichment score, Monte Carlo p-value and adjusted p-value are provided. The function "token\_vector" is used for encoding as we did for training. Of course, mapping from tokens to integers should be the same.

## Usage

```

predict_model(object, new_text, num_simulations = 1000,
              adj_p_method = "fdr")

```

## Arguments

|                 |                                                               |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| object          | result of "ttgsea"                                            |
| new_text        | new text data                                                 |
| num_simulations | number of simulations for Monte Carlo p-value (default: 1000) |
| adj_p_method    | correction method (default: "fdr")                            |

## Value

table for lemmatized text, predicted enrichment score, MC p-value and adjusted p-value

## Author(s)

Dongmin Jung

## See Also

stats::p.adjust

**Examples**

```

library(reticulate)
if (keras::is_keras_available() & reticulate::py_available()) {
  library(fgsea)
  data(examplePathways)
  data(exampleRanks)
  names(examplePathways) <- gsub("_", " ",
                                substr(names(examplePathways), 9, 1000))

  set.seed(1)
  fgseaRes <- fgsea(examplePathways, exampleRanks)

  num_tokens <- 1000
  length_seq <- 30
  batch_size <- 32
  embedding_dims <- 50
  num_units <- 32
  epochs <- 1

  ttgseaRes <- fit_model(fgseaRes, "pathway", "NES",
                        model = bi_gru(num_tokens,
                                       embedding_dims,
                                       length_seq,
                                       num_units),
                        num_tokens = num_tokens,
                        length_seq = length_seq,
                        epochs = epochs,
                        batch_size = batch_size,
                        use_generator = FALSE)

  set.seed(1)
  predict_model(ttgseaRes, "Cell Cycle")
}

```

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|--------------------|---------------------------|
| sampling_generator | <i>Generator function</i> |
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**Description**

This is a generator function that yields batches of training data then pass the function to the "fit\_generator" function.

**Usage**

```
sampling_generator(X_data, Y_data, batch_size)
```

**Arguments**

|            |            |
|------------|------------|
| X_data     | inputs     |
| Y_data     | targets    |
| batch_size | batch size |

**Value**

generator for "fit\_generator"

**Author(s)**

Dongmin Jung

**Examples**

```
X_data <- matrix(rnorm(200), ncol = 2)
Y_data <- matrix(rnorm(100), ncol = 1)
sampling_generator(X_data, Y_data, 32)
```

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|------------|------------------------|
| text_token | <i>Tokenizing text</i> |
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**Description**

An n-gram is used for tokenization. This function can also be used to limit the total number of tokens.

**Usage**

```
text_token(text, ngram_min = 1, ngram_max = 1, num_tokens)
```

**Arguments**

|            |                                        |
|------------|----------------------------------------|
| text       | text data                              |
| ngram_min  | minimum size of an n-gram (default: 1) |
| ngram_max  | maximum size of an n-gram (default: 1) |
| num_tokens | maximum number of tokens               |

**Value**

|           |                           |
|-----------|---------------------------|
| token     | result of tokenizing text |
| ngram_min | minimum size of an n-gram |
| ngram_max | maximum size of an n-gram |

**Author(s)**

Dongmin Jung

**See Also**

tm::removeWords, stopwords::stopwords, textstem::lemmatize\_strings, text2vec::create\_vocabulary, text2vec::prune\_vocabulary

Examples

```
library(fgsea)
data(examplePathways)
data(exampleRanks)
names(examplePathways) <- gsub("_", " ",
                               substr(names(examplePathways), 9, 1000))

set.seed(1)
fgseaRes <- fgsea(examplePathways, exampleRanks)
tokens <- text_token(data.frame(fgseaRes)[,"pathway"],
                      num_tokens = 1000)
```

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|              |                                |
|--------------|--------------------------------|
| token_vector | <i>Vectorization of tokens</i> |
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Description

A vectorization of words or tokens of text is necessary for machine learning. Vectorized sequences are padded or truncated.

Usage

```
token_vector(text, token, length_seq)
```

Arguments

|            |                                                 |
|------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| text       | text data                                       |
| token      | result of tokenization (output of "text_token") |
| length_seq | length of input sequences                       |

Value

sequences of integers

Author(s)

Dongmin Jung

See Also

tm::removeWords, stopwords::stopwords, textstem::lemmatize\_strings, tokenizers::tokenize\_ngrams, keras::pad\_sequences

**Examples**

```
library(reticulate)
if (keras::is_keras_available() & reticulate::py_available()) {
  library(fgsea)
  data(examplePathways)
  data(exampleRanks)
  names(examplePathways) <- gsub("_", " ",
                                substr(names(examplePathways), 9, 1000))

  set.seed(1)
  fgseaRes <- fgsea(examplePathways, exampleRanks)
  tokens <- text_token(data.frame(fgseaRes)[,"pathway"],
                        num_tokens = 1000)
  sequences <- token_vector("Cell Cycle", tokens, 10)
}
```

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