

# Package ‘fastText’

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**Description** An interface to the 'fastText' <<https://github.com/facebookresearch/fastText>> library for efficient learning of word representations and sentence classification. The 'fastText' algorithm is explained in detail in (i) "Enriching Word Vectors with subword Information", Piotr Bojanowski, Edouard Grave, Armand Joulin, Tomas Mikolov, 2017, <[doi:10.1162/tacl\\_a\\_00051](https://doi.org/10.1162/tacl_a_00051)>; (ii) "Bag of Tricks for Efficient Text Classification", Armand Joulin, Edouard Grave, Piotr Bojanowski, Tomas Mikolov, 2017, <[doi:10.18653/v1/e17-2068](https://doi.org/10.18653/v1/e17-2068)>; (iii) "FastText.zip: Compressing text classification models", Armand Joulin, Edouard Grave, Piotr Bojanowski, Matthijs Douze, Herve Jegou, Tomas Mikolov, 2016, <[arXiv:1612.03651](https://arxiv.org/abs/1612.03651)>.

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**SystemRequirements** Generally, fastText builds on modern Mac OS and Linux distributions. Since it uses some C++11 features, it requires a compiler with good C++11 support. These include a (g++-4.7.2 or newer) or a (clang-3.3 or newer).

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fasttext\_interface      *Interface for the fasttext library*

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### Description

Interface for the fasttext library

### Usage

```
fasttext_interface(
  list_params,
  path_output = "",
  MilliSecs = 100,
  path_input = "",
  remove_previous_file = TRUE,
  print_process_time = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>list_params</code>	a list of valid parameters
<code>path_output</code>	a character string specifying the file path where the process-logs (or output in generally) should be saved
<code>MilliSecs</code>	an integer specifying the delay in milliseconds when printing the results to the specified <i>path_output</i>
<code>path_input</code>	a character string specifying the path to the input data file
<code>remove_previous_file</code>	a boolean. If TRUE, in case that the <i>path_output</i> is not an empty string (""), then an existing file with the same output name will be removed
<code>print_process_time</code>	a boolean. If TRUE then the processing time of the function will be printed out in the R session

**Details**

This function allows the user to run the various methods included in the fasttext library from within R

The "output" parameter which exists in the named list (see examples section) and is passed to the "list\_params" parameter of the "fasttext\_interface()" function, is a file path and not a directory name and will actually return two files (a \*.vec\* and a \*.bin\*) to the output directory.

**Value**

a vector of class character that includes the parameters and file paths used as input to the function

**References**

<https://github.com/facebookresearch/fastText>

<https://github.com/facebookresearch/fastText/blob/master/docs/supervised-tutorial.md>

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

library(fastText)

#####
# If the user intends to run the following examples then he / she must replace #
# the 'input', 'output', 'path_input', 'path_output', 'model' and 'test_data' file #
# paths depending on where the data are located or should be saved! #
# ( 'tempdir()' is used here as an example folder ) #
#####

# -----
```

```

# print information for the Usage of each function [ parameters ]
# -----

fastText::printUsage()
fastText::printTestUsage()
fastText::printTestLabelUsage()
fastText::printQuantizeUsage()
fastText::printPrintWordVectorsUsage()
fastText::printPrintSentenceVectorsUsage()
fastText::printPrintNgramsUsage()
fastText::printPredictUsage()
fastText::printNNUsage()
fastText::printDumpUsage()
fastText::printAnalogiesUsage()
fastText::print_parameters(command = "supervised")

# -----
# In case that the 'command' is one of 'cbow', 'skipgram' or 'supervised'
# -----

list_params = list(command = 'cbow',
                   lr = 0.1,
                   dim = 200,
                   input = file.path(tempdir(), "doc.txt"),
                   output = tempdir(),
                   verbose = 2,
                   thread = 1)

res = fasttext_interface(list_params,
                        path_output = file.path(tempdir(), "model_logs.txt"),
                        MilliSecs = 100)

# -----
# 'supervised' training
# -----

list_params = list(command = 'supervised',
                   lr = 0.1,
                   dim = 200,
                   input = file.path(tempdir(), "cooking.train"),
                   output = file.path(tempdir(), "model_cooking"),
                   verbose = 2,
                   thread = 1)

res = fasttext_interface(list_params,
                        path_output = file.path(tempdir(), 'logs_supervise.txt'),
                        MilliSecs = 5)

# -----
# In case that the 'command' is 'predict'
# -----

```

```

list_params = list(command = 'predict',
                   model = file.path(tempdir(), 'model_cooking.bin'),
                   test_data = file.path(tempdir(), 'cooking.valid'),
                   k = 1,
                   th = 0.0)

res = fasttext_interface(list_params,
                        path_output = file.path(tempdir(), 'predict_valid.txt'))

# -----
# In case that the 'command' is 'test' [ k = 5 , means that precision and recall are at 5 ]
# -----

list_params = list(command = 'test',
                   model = file.path(tempdir(), 'model_cooking.bin'),
                   test_data = file.path(tempdir(), 'cooking.valid'),
                   k = 5,
                   th = 0.0)

res = fasttext_interface(list_params) # It only prints 'Precision', 'Recall' to the R session

# -----
# In case that the 'command' is 'test-label' [ k = 5 , means that precision and recall are at 5 ]
# -----

list_params = list(command = 'test-label',
                   model = file.path(tempdir(), 'model_cooking.bin'),
                   test_data = file.path(tempdir(), 'cooking.valid'),
                   k = 5,
                   th = 0.0)

res = fasttext_interface(list_params, # prints also 'Precision', 'Recall' to R session
                        path_output = file.path(tempdir(), "test_valid.txt"))

# -----
# quantize function [ it will take a .bin file and return an .ftz file ]
# -----

# the quantize function is currently (01/02/2019) single-threaded
# https://github.com/facebookresearch/fastText/issues/353#issuecomment-342501742

list_params = list(command = 'quantize',
                   input = file.path(tempdir(), 'model_cooking.bin'),
                   output = file.path(tempdir(), gsub('.bin', '.ftz', 'model_cooking.bin')))

res = fasttext_interface(list_params)

# -----
# quantize function [ by using the optional parameters 'qnorm' and 'qout' ]
# -----

```

```

list_params = list(command = 'quantize',
                  input = file.path(tempdir(), 'model_cooking.bin'),
                  output = file.path(tempdir(), gsub('.bin', '.ftz', 'model_cooking.bin')),
                  qnorm = TRUE,
                  qout = TRUE)

res = fasttext_interface(list_params)

# -----
# print-word-vectors [ each line of the 'queries.txt' must be a single word ]
# -----

list_params = list(command = 'print-word-vectors',
                  model = file.path(tempdir(), 'model_cooking.bin'))

res = fasttext_interface(list_params,
                        path_input = file.path(tempdir(), 'queries.txt'),
                        path_output = file.path(tempdir(), 'print_vecs_file.txt'))

# -----
# print-sentence-vectors [ See also the comments in the main.cc file about the input-file ]
# -----

list_params = list(command = 'print-sentence-vectors',
                  model = file.path(tempdir(), 'model_cooking.bin'))

res = fasttext_interface(list_params,
                        path_input = file.path(tempdir(), 'text.txt'),
                        path_output = file.path(tempdir(), 'SENTENCE_VECs.txt'))

# -----
# print-ngrams [ print to console or to output-file ]
# -----

list_params = list(command = 'skipgram', lr = 0.1, dim = 200,
                  input = file.path(tempdir(), "doc.txt"),
                  output = tempdir(), verbose = 2, thread = 1,
                  minn = 2, maxn = 2)

res = fasttext_interface(list_params,
                        path_output = file.path(tempdir(), "ngram_out.txt"),
                        MilliSecs = 5)

list_params = list(command = 'print-ngrams',
                  model = file.path(tempdir(), 'ngram_out.bin'),
                  word = 'word') # print n-grams for specific word

res = fasttext_interface(list_params, path_output = "") # print output to console
res = fasttext_interface(list_params,

```

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        path_output = file.path(tempdir(), "NGRAMS.txt")) # output to file

# -----
# 'nn' function
# -----

list_params = list(command = 'nn',
                   model = file.path(tempdir(), 'model_cooking.bin'),
                   k = 20,
                   query_word = 'word')          # a 'query_word' is required

res = fasttext_interface(list_params,
                        path_output = file.path(tempdir(), "nn_output.txt"))

# -----
# analogies [ in the output file each analogy-triplet-result is separated with a newline ]
# -----

list_params = list(command = 'analogies',
                   model = file.path(tempdir(), 'model_cooking.bin'),
                   k = 5)

res = fasttext_interface(list_params,
                        path_input = file.path(tempdir(), 'analogy_queries.txt'),
                        path_output = file.path(tempdir(), 'analogies_output.txt'))

# -----
# dump function [ the 'option' param should be one of 'args', 'dict', 'input' or 'output' ]
# -----

list_params = list(command = 'dump',
                   model = file.path(tempdir(), 'model_cooking.bin'),
                   option = 'args')

res = fasttext_interface(list_params,
                        path_output = file.path(tempdir(), "DUMP.txt"))

## End(Not run)

```

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language\_identification

*Language Identification using fastText*

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## Description

Language Identification using fastText

**Usage**

```
language_identification(
  input_obj,
  pre_trained_language_model_path,
  k = 1,
  th = 0,
  threads = 1,
  verbose = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

input_obj	either a valid character string to a valid path where each line represents a different text extract or a vector of text extracts
pre_trained_language_model_path	a valid character string to the pre-trained language identification model path, for more info see <a href="https://fasttext.cc/docs/en/language-identification.html">https://fasttext.cc/docs/en/language-identification.html</a>
k	predict top k labels (1 by default)
th	probability threshold (0.0 by default)
threads	an integer specifying the number of threads to run in parallel. This parameter applies only if k > 1
verbose	if TRUE then information will be printed out in the console

**Value**

an object of class `data.table` which includes two or more columns with the names `'iso_lang_N'` and `'prob_N'` where `'N'` corresponds to 1 to `'k'` input parameter

**References**

<https://fasttext.cc/docs/en/language-identification.html> <https://becominghuman.ai/a-handy-pre-trained-model-for-language-identification-cadd89db9db8>

**Examples**

```
library(fastText)

vec_txt = c("Incapaz de distinguir la luna y la cara de esta chica,
Las estrellas se ponen nerviosas en el cielo",
"Unable to tell apart the moon and this girl's face,
Stars are flustered up in the sky.")

file_pretrained = system.file("language_identification/lid.176.ftz", package = "fastText")

dtbl_out = language_identification(input_obj = vec_txt,
                                  pre_trained_language_model_path = file_pretrained,
                                  k = 3,
                                  th = 0.0,
```



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printAnalogiesUsage     *Print Usage Information when the command equals to 'analogies'*

---

**Description**

Print Usage Information when the command equals to 'analogies'

**Usage**

```
printAnalogiesUsage(verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

verbose                if TRUE then information will be printed in the console

**Value**

It does not return a value but only prints the available parameters of the 'printAnalogiesUsage' function in the R session

**Examples**

```
library(fastText)
printAnalogiesUsage()
```

---

printDumpUsage             *Print Usage Information when the command equals to 'dump'*

---

**Description**

Print Usage Information when the command equals to 'dump'

**Usage**

```
printDumpUsage(verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

verbose                if TRUE then information will be printed in the console

**Value**

It does not return a value but only prints the available parameters of the 'printDumpUsage' function in the R session

**Examples**

```
library(fastText)
printDumpUsage()
```

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printNNUsage	<i>Print Usage Information when the command equals to 'nn'</i>
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**Description**

Print Usage Information when the command equals to 'nn'

**Usage**

```
printNNUsage(verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

verbose            if TRUE then information will be printed in the console

**Value**

It does not return a value but only prints the available parameters of the 'printNNUsage' function in the R session

**Examples**

```
library(fastText)
printNNUsage()
```

---

printPredictUsage	<i>Print Usage Information when the command equals to 'predict' or 'predict-prob'</i>
-------------------	---

---

**Description**

Print Usage Information when the command equals to 'predict' or 'predict-prob'

**Usage**

```
printPredictUsage(verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

verbose            if TRUE then information will be printed in the console

**Value**

It does not return a value but only prints the available parameters of the 'printPredictUsage' function in the R session

**Examples**

```
library(fastText)
printPredictUsage()
```

---

`printPrintNgramsUsage` *Print Usage Information when the command equals to 'print-ngrams'*

---

**Description**

Print Usage Information when the command equals to 'print-ngrams'

**Usage**

```
printPrintNgramsUsage(verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

verbose            if TRUE then information will be printed in the console

**Value**

It does not return a value but only prints the available parameters of the 'printPrintNgramsUsage' function in the R session

**Examples**

```
library(fastText)
printPrintNgramsUsage()
```

---

```
printPrintSentenceVectorsUsage
    Print Usage Information when the command equals to 'print-sentence-
    vectors'
```

---

**Description**

Print Usage Information when the command equals to 'print-sentence-vectors'

**Usage**

```
printPrintSentenceVectorsUsage(verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

verbose            if TRUE then information will be printed in the console

**Value**

It does not return a value but only prints the available parameters of the 'printPrintSentenceVectorsUsage' function in the R session

**Examples**

```
library(fastText)
printPrintSentenceVectorsUsage()
```

---

```
printPrintWordVectorsUsage
    Print Usage Information when the command equals to 'print-word-
    vectors'
```

---

**Description**

Print Usage Information when the command equals to 'print-word-vectors'

**Usage**

```
printPrintWordVectorsUsage(verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

verbose            if TRUE then information will be printed in the console

**Value**

It does not return a value but only prints the available parameters of the 'printPrintWordVectorsUsage' function in the R session

**Examples**

```
library(fastText)
printPrintWordVectorsUsage()
```

---

printQuantizeUsage      *Print Usage Information when the command equals to 'quantize'*

---

**Description**

Print Usage Information when the command equals to 'quantize'

**Usage**

```
printQuantizeUsage(verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

verbose            if TRUE then information will be printed in the console

**Value**

It does not return a value but only prints the available parameters of the 'printQuantizeUsage' function in the R session

**Examples**

```
library(fastText)
printQuantizeUsage()
```

---

`printTestLabelUsage` *Print Usage Information when the command equals to 'test-label'*

---

**Description**

Print Usage Information when the command equals to 'test-label'

**Usage**

```
printTestLabelUsage(verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

`verbose` if TRUE then information will be printed in the console

**Value**

It does not return a value but only prints the available parameters of the 'printTestLabelUsage' function in the R session

**Examples**

```
library(fastText)
printTestLabelUsage()
```

---

`printTestUsage` *Print Usage Information when the command equals to 'test'*

---

**Description**

Print Usage Information when the command equals to 'test'

**Usage**

```
printTestUsage(verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

`verbose` if TRUE then information will be printed in the console

**Value**

It does not return a value but only prints the available parameters of the 'printTestUsage' function in the R session

**Examples**

```
library(fastText)
printTestUsage()
```

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printUsage	<i>Print Usage Information for all parameters</i>
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**Description**

Print Usage Information for all parameters

**Usage**

```
printUsage(verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

verbose           if TRUE then information will be printed in the console

**Value**

It does not return a value but only prints the available parameters of the 'printUsage' function in the R session

**Examples**

```
library(fastText)
printUsage()
```

---

print_parameters	<i>Print the parameters for a specific command</i>
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**Description**

Print the parameters for a specific command

**Usage**

```
print_parameters(command = "supervised")
```

### **Arguments**

`command` a character string specifying the command for which the parameters should be printed in the R session. It should be one of "skipgram", "cbow", "supervised", "test", "test-label" or "quantize"

### **Value**

It does not return a value but only prints the available parameters in the R session

### **References**

<https://github.com/facebookresearch/fastText#full-documentation>

<https://github.com/facebookresearch/fastText/issues/341#issuecomment-339783130>

### **Examples**

```
## Not run:  
  
library(fastText)  
  
print_parameters(command = 'supervised')  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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