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confusion_matrix	<i>Confusion matrix for predictions</i>
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Description

Confusion matrix for predictions

Usage

```
confusion_matrix(predictions, ...)
```

Arguments

predictions [ppred_predictions](#): A [data.frame](#) with predicted values returned by `predict.ppred_model()`.
 ... additional arguments.

Value

A [table](#) object that can be used for plotting a confusion matrix using `plot()`.

create_model	<i>Define transformer model</i>
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Description

Defines the model using the keras functional API.

Usage

```
create_model(x_train, custom = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

x_train	data.frame : A processed data.frame from <code>prepare_examples()</code> .
custom	logical (default <code>FALSE</code>): If <code>TRUE</code> , returns a custom model.
...	you can pass additional arguments to <code>keras::keras_model()</code> (ex.: name argument).

Value

A [list](#) containing a Transformer model (returned by `keras::keras_model()`) and some additional useful metrics.

create_vocabulary	<i>Create a vocabulary</i>
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Description

Creates a vocabulary of activities and outcome labels.

Usage

```
create_vocabulary(processed_df)
```

Arguments

processed_df	A preprocessed object of type ppred_examples_df returned by <code>prepare_examples()</code> .
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Value

A [list](#) consisting of:

- "keys_x": [list](#) of activity labels
- "keys_y": [list](#) of outcome labels (none for tasks "next_time" and "remaining_time")

get_vocabulary	<i>Utils</i>
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Description

Utils

Usage

```
get_vocabulary(examples)
```

Arguments

examples a preprocessed dataset returned by `prepare_examples_dt()`.

max_case_length	<i>Calculate the maximum length of a case / number of activities in the longest trace in an event log</i>
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Description

Calculate the maximum length of a case / number of activities in the longest trace in an event log

Usage

```
max_case_length(processed_df)
```

Arguments

processed_df A processed dataset of class `ppred_examples_df` returned by `prepare_examples()`.

Value

An integer number of the maximum case length (longest trace) in an event log.

Examples

```
library(processpredictR)
library(eventdataR)

df <- prepare_examples(patients)
max_case_length(df)
```

num_outputs	<i>Calculate number of outputs (target variables)</i>
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Description

Calculate number of outputs (target variables)

Usage

```
num_outputs(processed_df)
```

Arguments

processed_df A processed dataset of class `ppred_examples_df`.

Value

an integer number of outputs for supplying as an argument to a Transformer model, i.e. number of unique labels for a specific process monitoring task.

Examples

```
library(processpredictR)
library(eventdataR)
df <- prepare_examples(patients)
num_outputs(df)
```

`plot.ppred_predictions`*Plot Methods*

Description

Visualize metric

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ppred_predictions'
plot(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x Data to plot. An object of type `ppred_predictions`.
... Additional variables

Value

A ggplot object, which can be customized further, if deemed necessary.

ppred_examples_df *ppred_examples_df object*

Description

object of type `ppred_examples_df` is a transformed event log returned by `prepare_examples_dt()`.

ppred_model *ppred_model object*

Description

object of type `ppred_model` is a list returned by `processpredictR::create_model()` containing a custom keras functional (transformer) model and some other useful metrics of an event log.

ppred_predictions *ppred_predictions object*

Description

object of type `ppred_predictions` is a data.frame with predicted values returned by `predict.ppred_model()`.

prepare_examples *Convert a dataset of type `log` into a preprocessed format.*

Description

an event log is converted into a tibble where each row contains a cumulative sequence of activities per case. This sequence will eventually be feeded to the Transformer model's token embedding layer.

Usage

```
prepare_examples(
  log,
  task = c("outcome", "next_activity", "next_time", "remaining_time", "remaining_trace"),
  features = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

log [log](#): Object of class [log](#) or derivatives (grouped_log, eventlog, activitylog, etc.).

task [character](#): a process monitoring task for which to prepare an event log.

features [character](#) (default `NULL`): additional features. Appends attributes (if present) `numeric_features` and/or `categorical_features` to a preprocessed event log.

... additional arguments.

Value

a preprocessed dataset of class [ppred_examples_df](#).

Examples

```
library(processpredictR)
library(eventdataR)

prepare_examples(patients, "next_activity")
```

print.ppred_model *Print methods*

Description

Print methods

Usage

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

Arguments

x [ppred_model](#): An object of class `ppred_model`.

... Additional Arguments.

Value

prints a Transformer model from a list returned by `create_model()`.

processpredictR *processpredictR*

Description

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split_train_test *Splits the preprocessed data.frame.*

Description

Returns train- and test dataframes as a list.

Usage

```
split_train_test(processed_df, split = 0.7)
```

Arguments

`processed_df` A preprocessed object of type `ppred_examples_df` returned by `prepare_examples()`.
`split` `numeric` (default 0.7): A train-test split ratio.

Value

A `list` containing the train- and the test set objects.

Examples

```
library(processpredictR)
library(eventdataR)

df <- prepare_examples(patients, "next_activity")
split_train_test(df, split = 0.8)
```

stack_layers	<i>Stacks a keras layer on top of existing model</i>
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Description

User friendly interface to add a keras layer on top of existing model.

Usage

```
stack_layers(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object	a list containing a model returned by <code>create_model()</code> .
...	functions for adding layers by using functional keras API. For example, <code>keras::layer_dense(units=32, activation="relu")</code> .

Value

a [list](#) containing an adapted Transformer model.

tokenize	<i>Tokenize features and target of a processed dataset of class ppred_examples_df</i>
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Description

Tokenize features and target of a processed [ppred_examples_df](#) object to fit the Transformer model.

Usage

```
tokenize(processed_df)
```

Arguments

processed_df	A preprocessed object of type ppred_examples_df returned by <code>prepare_examples()</code> .
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Value

A [list](#) of (sequence) tokens and additional numeric or categorical features.

vocab_size	<i>Calculate the vocabulary size, i.e. the sum of number of activities, outcome labels and padding keys</i>
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Description

Calculate the vocabulary size, i.e. the sum of number of activities, outcome labels and padding keys

Usage

```
vocab_size(processed_df)
```

Arguments

processed_df A processed dataset of class [ppred_examples_df](#) from `prepare_examples()`.

Value

an integer number of vocabulary size to define the Transformer model.

Examples

```
library(processpredictR)
library(eventdataR)
df <- prepare_examples(patients)
vocab_size(df)
```

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