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**Description** Implementation of 'softmax' regression and classification models with multiple layer neural network. It can be used for many tasks like word embedding based document classification, 'MNIST' dataset handwritten digit recognition and so on. Multiple optimization algorithm including 'SGD', 'Adagrad', 'RMSprop', 'Moment', 'NAG', etc are also provided.

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AIC.softmax	<i>Calculate AIC of Fitted Softmax Regression Model</i>
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## Description

Caculate akaike information criterion of fitted softmax regression model

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'softmax'
AIC(object, ...)
```

## Arguments

object	A object of "softmax" returned by <a href="#">softmaxReg</a> function
...	Other arguments

## Value

Numeric Value of AIC

## See Also

[BIC.softmax](#) [softmaxReg](#)

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BIC.softmax	<i>Calculate BIC of Fitted Softmax Regression Model</i>
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## Description

Caculate bayesian information criterion of fitted softmax regression model

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'softmax'
BIC(object, ...)
```

## Arguments

object	A object of "softmax" returned by <a href="#">softmaxReg</a> function
...	Other arguments

**Value**

Numeric Value of BIC

**See Also**

[AIC.softmax softmaxReg](#)

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convertClass2Matrix     *Convert A Vector of Factors to Matrix*

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**Description**

Convert A Vector of Factors to Matrix

**Usage**

`convertClass2Matrix(target)`

**Arguments**

`target`     Vector of factor representing each class.

**Details**

This Function can be used to convert factor to matrix yMat, e.g. For type 'raw' softmaxReg function input yMat, softmax regression.

**Value**

Matrix with dimensions number of observation \* number of class factors

**See Also**

[softmaxReg](#)

**Examples**

```
## This Function can be used to convert factor to matrix yMat.  
## e.g. For type 'raw' softmaxReg function input yMat, softmax regression.  
y = as.factor(c(rep(1,50),rep(2,50),rep(3,50)))  
yMat = convertClass2Matrix(y)  
nObs = dim(yMat)[1]  
K = dim(yMat)[2]  
nObs  
K
```

document

*Easy Implementation to Read Multiple Documents within the Folder***Description**

Easy implementation to read multiple documents within the folder with extension pattern.

**Usage**

```
document(path, name = NULL, pattern = "txt")
```

**Arguments**

path	Character Vectors representing the folders' path. One element of string denotes reading the document from one folder and a vector of characters denotes reading the documents from multiple folders simultaneously.
name	Character representing the name of the specific file to read. Default NULL. If NULL, function will read all the text files in that folder.
pattern	Character for the file extensions of the text files, like "txt", "csv", etc. Default "txt".

**Value**

Vectors of characters, each element in the vector contains the text of one file.

**See Also**

[loadURLData](#) [wordEmbed](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
path = "your_local_path"
docs = document(path, pattern = 'txt')

## End(Not run)
```

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**loadURLData***Download and Unzip Web Datasets*

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**Description**

Download web datasets from URL to local path and unzip the data.

**Usage**

```
loadURLData(URL, folder, unzip = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

URL	String of the url of the web dataset.
folder	String of the path of the folder you want to put the downloaded files. Folder path will be set as the working directory.
unzip	Boolean variable. If true, the ".zip" files will be unzipped.

**See Also**

[document wordEmbed](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
# Download UCI Archived Dataset from URL:  
# http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/machine-learning-databases/00217/C50.zip  
# Reuter 50 DataSet  
URL = "http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/machine-learning-databases/00217/C50.zip"  
folder = getwd()  
loadURLData(URL, folder, unzip = TRUE)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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**softmax-class***Class "softmax"*

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**Description**

"softmax" class returned by softmaxReg function for softmax regression

**Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("softmax", ...)`.

**Slots**

```

weights: Object of class "list"
data: Object of class "list"
K: Object of class "numeric"
iteration: Object of class "numeric"
loss: Object of class "numeric"
fitted.values: Object of class "matrix"
convergence: Object of class "logical"
type: Object of class "character"
funName: Object of class "character"

```

**Methods**

```
$ signature(x = "softmax"): ...
```

**Examples**

```
showClass("softmax")
```

**softmaxReg**

*Fit Multi-Layer Softmax Regression or Classification Model*

**Description**

Fit softmax regression or classification model with multiple hidden layers neural networks and final softmax layer.

**Usage**

```

softmaxReg(x, ...)

## Default S3 method:
softmaxReg(x, y, hidden = c(), funName = 'sigmoid', maxit = 3000,
rang = 0.1, type = "class", algorithm = "rmsprop", rate = 0.05,
L2 = FALSE, penalty = 1e-4, threshold = 1e-4, batch = 50,...)

## S3 method for class 'formula'
softmaxReg(formula, data, hidden = c(), funName = 'sigmoid', maxit = 3000,
rang = 0.1, type = "class", algorithm = "rmsprop", rate = 0.05,
L2 = FALSE, penalty = 1e-4, threshold = 1e-4, batch = 50,...)

## S3 method for class 'softmax'
predict(object, newdata, ...)

## S3 method for class 'softmax'
summary(object, ...)

```

## Arguments

formula	Formula of form $y \sim x_1 + x_2 + \dots$ for 'class' type classification; And $(y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_k) \sim x_1 + x_2 + \dots$ for 'raw' type regression.
x	Matrix or data frame of x input values.
y	Vector of target values y for 'class' type classification and matrix or data frame of target values ( $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_k$ ) for 'raw' type regression.
data	Data frame containing the variables in formula.
hidden	Numeric vector of integers specifying the number of hidden nodes in each layer, e.g. <code>hidden = c(8,5,...)</code> . Default NULL.
funName	Name of neural network activation function, including 'sigmoid', 'tanh', 'relu'. Default 'sigmoid'.
maxit	Integer for maximum number of iterations. Default 3000.
rang	Parameter for the range of initial random weights [-rang, rang]. Default 0.1.
type	Parameter indicating the type of softmax task: 'class' denotes the softmax classification model and the fitted values are factors; 'raw' denotes softmax regression model and the fitted values are raw probability or percentage data of each group. Default 'class'.
algorithm	Parameter indicating which gradient descending learning algorithm to use, including 'sgd', 'adagrad', 'rmsprop', 'adadelta', 'momentum', 'nag'(Nesterov Momentum), etc. Default 'rmsprop'.
rate	Parameter for the initial learning rate. Default 0.05.
L2	Boolean variable indicating whether L2 regularization term is added to the loss function and gradient to prevent overfitting. Default FALSE.
penalty	Parameter for the penalty cost of the L2 regularization term if L2 is TRUE. Default 1e-4.
threshold	Parameter for the threshold of iteration convergence: loss value less than threshold. Default 1e-4.
batch	Parameter for mini-batch size. Default 50.
object	An object of class "softmax", the fitted model of softmaxReg function.
newdata	Matrix or dataframe of new Data for prediction.
...	Other arguments

## Details

This function can be used to train typical n-class classification models. Also, it can be used to fit 'raw' data regression, e.g. the percentage/probability data of each group in the Multinomial Logit/Probit model, as well.

## Value

object of class "softmax"	
weights	Optimal weights parameters found by softmax model, including list of W and B for all layers.

<b>data</b>	Input Training Data.
<b>K</b>	Number of K groups fitted by softmax model.
<b>loss</b>	Numeric vector of the loss function values over iterations.
<b>fitted.values</b>	Matrix of the fitted values yFitMat for the training data. Dimensions: number of observations by K;
<b>iteration</b>	Number of iteration reached before stop.
<b>convergence</b>	Boolean variable for whether softmax model reached convergence.

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## References

MNIST Dataset HandWritten Digit Recognition: <http://yann.lecun.com/exdb/mnist/>

MNIST Data Reading method reuse R code from: brendan o'connor - <https://gist.github.com/brendano/39760>

Reuter 50 DataSet: UCI Archived Dataset: <http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/machine-learning-databases/00217/C50.zip>

## See Also

[wordEmbed document](#) [loadURLData](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:
#### Example 1, Softmax classification with hidden layer and no regularization term

library(softmaxreg)
data(iris)
x = iris[,1:4]
y = iris$Species
# Training with hidden layer set 5 units
softmax_model = softmaxReg(x, y, hidden = c(5), maxit = 100, type = "class",
  algorithm = "adagrad", rate = 0.05, batch = 20)
summary(softmax_model)
yFitMat = softmax_model$fitted.values
yFit = c()
for (i in 1:length(y)) {
  yFit = c(yFit, which(yFitMat[i,]==max(yFitMat[i,])))
}
table(y, yFit)
# Caculate AIC and BIC information criterion
aic = AIC(softmax_model)
bic = BIC(softmax_model)
cat("AIC",aic,'\n')
cat("BIC",bic,'\n')

# Make new Prediction
newdata = iris[1:100,1:4]
```

```

yPred = predict(softmax_model, newdata)

##### Example 2, Softmax classification with formula and dataframe input

f = formula(Species~.) # formula with succinct expression
softmax_model_fm = softmaxReg(f, data = iris, hidden = c(5), maxit = 100, type = "class",
  algorithm = "adagrad", rate = 0.05, batch = 20)
summary(softmax_model_fm)

##### Example 3: Softmax classification with L2 regularization

softmax_model_L2 = softmaxReg(x, y, hidden = c(5), maxit = 100, type = "class",
  algorithm = "adagrad", L2 = TRUE, penalty = 1e-4, batch = 20)
summary(softmax_model_L2)

# Compare Two Model Loss
# Note L2 loss value include the ||W||^2 term, larger than loss of previous model
loss1 = softmax_model$loss
loss2 = softmax_model_L2$loss
plot(c(1:length(loss1)), loss1, xlab = "Iteration", ylab = "Loss Function Value",
  type = "l", col = "black")
lines(c(1:length(loss2)), loss2, col = "red")
legend("topright", c("Loss 1: No Regularization", "Loss 2: L2 Regularization"),
  col = c("black", "red"), pch = 1)

##### Example 4: Compare different learning algorithms 'adagrad', 'sgd',
# 'rmsprop', 'momentum', 'nag' (Nesterov Momentum)

library(softmaxreg)
data(iris)
x = iris[,1:4]
y = iris$Species
model1 = softmaxReg(x, y, hidden = c(), funName = 'sigmoid', maxit = 100, rang = 0.1,
  type = "class", algorithm = "sgd", rate = 0.1, batch = 150)
loss1 = model1$loss

model2 = softmaxReg(x, y, hidden = c(), funName = 'sigmoid', maxit = 100, rang = 0.1,
  type = "class", algorithm = "adagrad", rate = 0.1, batch = 150)
loss2 = model2$loss

model3 = softmaxReg(x, y, hidden = c(), funName = 'sigmoid', maxit = 100, rang = 0.1,
  type = "class", algorithm = "rmsprop", rate = 0.1, batch = 150)
loss3 = model3$loss

model4 = softmaxReg(x, y, hidden = c(), funName = 'sigmoid', maxit = 100, rang = 0.1,
  type = "class", algorithm = "momentum", rate = 0.1, batch = 150)
loss4 = model4$loss

model5 = softmaxReg(x, y, hidden = c(), funName = 'sigmoid', maxit = 100, rang = 0.1,
  type = "class", algorithm = "nag", rate = 0.1, batch = 150)
loss5 = model5$loss

```

```

# plot the loss convergence
iteration = c(1:length(loss1))
plot(iteration, loss1, xlab = "iteration", ylab = "loss", ylim = c(0,
  max(loss1,loss2,loss3,loss4,loss5) + 0.01), type = "p", col = "black", cex = 0.7)
title("Convergence Comparision Between Learning Algorithms")
points(iteration, loss2, col = "red", pch = 2, cex = 0.7)
points(iteration, loss3, col = "blue", pch = 3, cex = 0.7)
points(iteration, loss4, col = "green", pch = 4, cex = 0.7)
points(iteration, loss5, col = "magenta", pch = 5, cex = 0.7)

legend("topright", c("SGD", "Adagrad", "RMSprop", "Momentum", "NAG"),
  col = c("black", "red", "blue", "green", "magenta"), pch = c(1,2,3,4,5))

## Comments: From this experiments we can see that momemtum learning algorithm
## generally converge faster than the standard sgd and its variations

#### Example 5: Multiple class classification: Read Online Dataset and make document classification

library(softmaxreg)
data(word2vec) # default 20 dimension word2vec dataset
##### Reuter 50 DataSet UCI Archived Dataset from
## URL: "http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/machine-learning-databases/00217/C50.zip"
URL = "http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/machine-learning-databases/00217/C50.zip"
folder = getwd()
loadURLData(URL, folder, unzip = TRUE)

##Training Data
subFoler = c('AaronPressman', 'AlanCrosby', 'AlexanderSmith', 'BenjaminKangLim', 'BernardHickey')
docTrain = document(path = paste(folder, "\C50train\", subFoler, sep = ""), pattern = 'txt')
xTrain = wordEmbed(docTrain, dictionary = word2vec)
yTrain = c(rep(1,50), rep(2,50), rep(3,50), rep(4,50), rep(5,50))
# Assign labels to 5 different authors

##Testing Data
docTest = document(path = paste(folder, "\C50test\", subFoler, sep = ""), pattern = 'txt')
xTest = wordEmbed(docTest, dictionary = word2vec)
yTest = c(rep(1,50), rep(2,50), rep(3,50), rep(4,50), rep(5,50))
samp = sample(250, 50)
xTest = xTest[samp,]
yTest = yTest[samp]

## Train Softmax Classification Model, 20-10-5
softmax_model = softmaxReg(xTrain, yTrain, hidden = c(10), maxit = 500, type = "class",
  algorithm = "nag", rate = 0.1, L2 = TRUE)
summary(softmax_model)
yFit = predict(softmax_model, newdata = xTrain)
table(yTrain, yFit)

## Testing
yPred = predict(softmax_model, newdata = xTest)
table(yTest, yPred)

```

```

##### Comments: Increase the word2vec dimensions to 50 or even 100 will help increase
##### the capacity of the model and prediction precision

##### Example 6: 'MNIST' dataset HandWritten Digit Recognition
## Download MNIST Dataset from below URL and Gunzip them
## http://yann.lecun.com/exdb/mnist/
## MNIST Data Reading method reuse R code from:
## brendan o'connor - https://gist.github.com/brendano/39760

library(softmaxreg)
# Replace with your local path
path = "D:\DeepLearning\MNIST\"

## 10-class classification, Digit 0-9
x = load_image_file(paste(path,'train-images-idx3-ubyte', sep=""))
y = load_label_file(paste(path,'train-labels-idx1-ubyte', sep=""))
xTest = load_image_file(paste(path,'t10k-images-idx3-ubyte',sep=""))
yTest = load_label_file(paste(path,'t10k-labels-idx1-ubyte', sep=""))

## Normalize Input Data
x = x/255
xTest = xTest/255

## Compare Convergence Rate of MNIST dataset
model1 = softmaxReg(x, y, hidden = c(), funName = 'sigmoid', maxit = 50, rang = 0.1,
                     type = "class", algorithm = "sgd", rate = 0.01, batch = 100)
loss1 = model1$loss
model2 = softmaxReg(x, y, hidden = c(), funName = 'sigmoid', maxit = 50, rang = 0.1,
                     type = "class", algorithm = "adagrad", rate = 0.01, batch = 100)
loss2 = model2$loss
model3 = softmaxReg(x, y, hidden = c(), funName = 'sigmoid', maxit = 50, rang = 0.1,
                     type = "class", algorithm = "rmsprop", rate = 0.01, batch = 100)
loss3 = model3$loss
model4 = softmaxReg(x, y, hidden = c(), funName = 'sigmoid', maxit = 50, rang = 0.1,
                     type = "class", algorithm = "momentum", rate = 0.01, batch = 100)
loss4 = model4$loss
model5 = softmaxReg(x, y, hidden = c(), funName = 'sigmoid', maxit = 50, rang = 0.1,
                     type = "class", algorithm = "nag", rate = 0.01, batch = 100)
loss5 = model5$loss

# plot the loss convergence
iteration = c(1:length(loss1))
myplot = plot(iteration, loss1, xlab = "iteration", ylab = "loss", ylim = c(0,
                         max(loss1,loss2,loss3,loss4,loss5) + 0.01), type = "p", col = "black", cex = 0.7)
title("Convergence Comparision Between Learning Algorithms")
points(iteration, loss2, col = "red", pch = 2, cex = 0.7)
points(iteration, loss3, col = "blue", pch = 3, cex = 0.7)
points(iteration, loss4, col = "green", pch = 4, cex = 0.7)
points(iteration, loss5, col = "magenta", pch = 5, cex = 0.7)

legend("topright", c("SGD", "Adagrad", "RMSprop", "Momentum", "NAG"),
       col = c("black", "red", "blue", "green", "magenta"),pch = c(1,2,3,4,5))

```

```
save.image()

## End(Not run)
```

**trainModel***Train softmax regression and classification model***Description**

This function implements a feedforward neural networks with multiple hidden layers and a softmax final layer. For classification, set type as "class" and y as factor vector; for regression, set type as "raw" and y as matrix with dimension nObs \* K. K denotes the group number.

**Usage**

```
trainModel(x, y, hidden, funName, maxit, rang, type, algorithm, rate,
          L2, penalty, threshold, batch)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	matrix or data frame of x input values.
<code>y</code>	vector of target values for 'class' type classification and matrix or data frame of target values for 'raw' type regression.
<code>hidden</code>	vector of integers specifying the number of hidden nodes in each layer.
<code>funName</code>	activation function name of neuron, e.g. 'sigmoid', 'tanh', 'relu' etc. In default, it is set to 'sigmoid'.
<code>maxit</code>	maximum number of iterations.Default 3000.
<code>rang</code>	parameter for the range of initial random weights. Default 0.1 [-rang, rang].
<code>type</code>	parameter indicating the type of softmax task: "class" denotes the softmax classification model and the fitted values are factors; "raw" denotes softmax regression model and the fitted values are the probability or percentage of each group. Default "class".
<code>algorithm</code>	parameter indicating which gradient descending learning algorithm to use, including "sgd", "adagrad", "rmsprop", "adadelta", etc. Default "adagrad".
<code>rate</code>	parameter of learning rate. Default 0.05.
<code>L2</code>	Boolean variable indicating whether L2 regularization term is added to the loss function and gradient to prevent overfitting. Default FALSE.
<code>penalty</code>	Parameter for the penalty cost of the L2 regularization term if L2 is TRUE. Default 1e-4.
<code>threshold</code>	Parameter for the threshold of iteration convergence: loss value less than threshold. Default 1e-4.
<code>batch</code>	Parameter for mini-batch size. Default 50.

**Value**

object of class "softmax"	
weights	Optimal weights parameters found by softmax model, including list of W and B for all layers.
data	Input Training Data.
K	Number of K groups fitted by softmax model.
loss	Numeric vector of the loss function values over iterations.
fitted.values	Matrix of the fitted values yFitMat for the training data. Dimensions: number of observations by K;
iteration	Number of iteration reached before stop.
convergence	Boolean variable for whether softmax model reached convergence.

**See Also**

[softmaxReg](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
library(softmaxreg)
data(iris)
x = iris[,1:4]
y = iris$Species
softmax_model = trainModel(x, y, hidden = c(5), funName = 'sigmoid', maxit = 3000,
                           rang = 0.1, type = "class", algorithm = "adagrad", rate = 0.05, threshold = 1e-3)
summary(softmax_model)
yFitMat = softmax_model$fitted.values
yFit = c()
for (i in 1:length(y)) {
  yFit = c(yFit, which(yFitMat[i,]==max(yFitMat[i,])))
}
table(y, yFit)

## End(Not run)
```

**Description**

This dataset is a small pre-trained word2vec dataset with 20 dimensions and 5296 words.

**Usage**

```
data("word2vec")
```

## Format

A data frame with 12853 observations on the following 21 variables.

```
word character  
col1 numeric  
col2 numeric  
col3 numeric  
col4 numeric  
col5 numeric  
col6 numeric  
col7 numeric  
col8 numeric  
col9 numeric  
col10 numeric  
col11 numeric  
col12 numeric  
col13 numeric  
col14 numeric  
col15 numeric  
col16 numeric  
col17 numeric  
col18 numeric  
col19 numeric  
col20 numeric
```

## Source

Reuter\_50\_50 dataset, UCI Machine Learning Repository [[https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Reuter\\_50\\_50](https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Reuter_50_50)]

## References

word2vec model are trained based on below text corpus:

Reuter\_50\_50 dataset, UCI Machine Learning Repository [[https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Reuter\\_50\\_50](https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Reuter_50_50)],  
Author: Zhi Liu, National Engineering Research Center For E-Learning Technology, Hubei Wuhan,  
China

## Examples

```
data(word2vec)
```

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wordEmbed

*Embed Words to Vectors Using Pre-trained Word2vec Dictionary*

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## Description

Embed words in string to vectors using the pre-trained word2vec dictionary. User can also replace the word2vec dataframe with customized data.

## Usage

```
wordEmbed(object, dictionary, meanVec)
```

## Arguments

object	Vectors of text representing documents.
dictionary	Dataframe of pre-trained word2vec dataset. The First column is the word and the following columns are numeric vectors from word2vec models. The default dataset with the package is a pre-trained 20 dimension word2vec dataset.
meanVec	Boolean variable. If meanVec is TRUE, a matrix is returned with each row representing the mean of numeric vectors of all the words in a document. If FALSE, a list of matrix is returned in which each document is represented by a matrix.

## Value

wordEmbed returns a matrix if meanVec is TRUE and a list of matrix if meanVec is FALSE.

## See Also

[document](#) [word2vec](#)

## Examples

```
data(word2vec) # load default 20 dimensions word2vec dataset
doc = "This is an example line of document"
docVectors = wordEmbed(doc, word2vec, meanVec = TRUE)
```

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