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Description Provides functions to conduct title and abstract screening in systematic reviews using large language models, such as the Generative Pre-trained Transformer (GPT) models from 'OpenAI' https://platform.openai.com/>. These functions can enhance the qual-

ity of title and abstract screenings while reducing the total screening time significantly. In addition, the package includes tools for quality assessment of title and abstract screenings, as de-

scribed in Vembye, Christensen, Mølgaard, and Schytt (2024) <DOI:10.31219/osf.io/yrhzm>.

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 ${\it approximate_price_gpt} \quad {\it Approximate\ price\ estimation\ for\ title\ and\ abstract\ screening\ using} \\ OpenAI's\ GPT\ API\ models$

Description

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[Experimental]

This function supports the approximation of the price of title and abstract screenings when using OpenAI's GPT API models. The function only provide approximately accurate price estimates. When detailed descriptions are used, this will increase the completion tokens with an unknown amount.

Usage

```
approximate_price_gpt(
  data,
  prompt,
  studyid,
  title,
  abstract,
  model = "gpt-4o-mini",
  reps = 1,
```

```
approximate_price_gpt
```

```
top_p = 1,
token_word_ratio = 1.6
)
```

Arguments

data Dataset containing the titles and abstracts.

prompt Prompt(s) to be added before the title and abstract.

studyid Unique Study ID. If missing, this is generated automatically.

title Name of the variable containing the title information.

Name of variable containing the abstract information.

model Character string with the name of the completion model. Can take multiple mod-

els, including gpt-4 models. Default = "gpt-4o-mini". Find available model at https://platform.openai.com/docs/models/model-endpoint-compatibility.

reps Numerical value indicating the number of times the same question should be

sent to the GPT server. This can be useful to test consistency between answers. Default is 1 but when using gpt-3.5-turbo or gpt-4o-mini models, we recommend

setting this value to 10.

top_p 'An alternative to sampling with temperature, called nucleus sampling, where

the model considers the results of the tokens with top_p probability mass. So 0.1 means only the tokens comprising the top 10% probability mass are considered. We generally recommend altering this or temperature but not both.' (OPEN-AI). Default is 1. Find documentation at https://platform.openai.com/docs/

api-reference/chat/create#chat/create-top_p.

token_word_ratio

The multiplier used to approximate the number of tokens per word. Default is 1.6 which we empirically have found to be the average number of tokens per word.

Value

An object of class "gpt_price". The object is a list containing the following components:

price numerical value indicating the total approximate price (in USD) of the screening

across all gpt-models expected to be used for the screening.

price_data dataset with prices across all gpt models expected to be used for screening.

```
prompt <- "This is a prompt"

app_price <- approximate_price_gpt(
  data = filges2015_dat[1:2,],
  prompt = prompt,
  studyid = studyid,
  title = title,
  abstract = abstract,
  model = c("gpt-4o-mini", "gpt-4"),</pre>
```

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```
reps = c(10, 1)
)
app_price
app_price$price_dollar
app_price$price_data
```

filges2015_dat

RIS file data from Functional Family Therapy (FFT) systematic review

Description

Bibliometric toy data from a systematic review regarding Functional Family Therapy (FFT) for Young People in Treatment for Non-opioid Drug Use (Filges et al., 2015). The data includes all 90 included and 180 excluded randomly sampled references from the literature search of the systematic review.

Usage

```
filges2015_dat
```

Format

A tibble with 270 rows/studies and 6 variables/columns

```
author
                              indicating the authors of the reference
                character
eppi_id
                              indicating a unique eppi-ID for each study
                character
                              indicating a unique study-ID for each study
studyid
                numeric
title
                character
                              with the title of the study
                              with the study abstract
abstract
                character
human_code
                              indicating the human screening decision. 1 = included, 0 = excluded.
                numeric
```

References

Filges, T., Andersen, D, & Jørgensen, A-M. K (2015). Functional Family Therapy (FFT) for Young People in Treatment for Non-opioid Drug Use: A Systematic Review *Campbell Systematic Reviews*, doi:10.4073/csr.2015.14

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get_api_key

Get API key from R environment variable.

Description

Get API key from R environment variable.

Usage

```
get_api_key(env_var = "CHATGPT_KEY")
```

Arguments

env_var

Character string indicating the name of the temporary R environment variable with the API key and the used AI model. Currently, the argument only takes env_var = "CHATGPT_KEY". See set_api_key() to set/create this variable.

Details

get_api_key() can be used after executing set_api_key() or by adding the api key permanently
to your R environment by using usethis::edit_r_environ(). Then write CHATGPT_KEY=[insert your api key here]
and close the .Renviron window and restart R.

Value

The specified API key (NOTE: Avoid exposing this in the console).

Note

Find your personal API key at https://platform.openai.com/account/api-keys.

See Also

```
set_api_key.
```

```
## Not run:
get_api_key()
## End(Not run)
```

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is_chatgpt

Test if the object is a 'chatgpt' object

Description

[Deprecated]

This function returns TRUE for chatgpt objects, and FALSE for all other objects.

Usage

```
is_chatgpt(x)
```

Arguments

Х

An object

Value

TRUE if the object inherits from the chatgpt class.

is_chatgpt_tbl

Test if the object is a 'chatgpt_tbl' object

Description

[Deprecated]

This function returns TRUE for chatgpt_tbl objects, and FALSE for all other objects.

Usage

```
is_chatgpt_tbl(x)
```

Arguments

Х

An object

Value

TRUE if the object inherits from the chatgpt_tbl class.

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 is_gpt

Test if the object is a 'gpt' object

Description

This function returns TRUE for gpt objects, and FALSE for all other objects.

Usage

```
is_gpt(x)
```

Arguments

Χ

An object

Value

TRUE if the object inherits from the gpt class.

 $is_gpt_agg_tbl$

Test if the object is a 'gpt_agg_tbl' object

Description

This function returns TRUE for gpt_agg_tbl objects, and FALSE for all other objects.

Usage

```
is_gpt_agg_tbl(x)
```

Arguments

Х

An object

Value

TRUE if the object inherits from the gpt_agg_tbl class.

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 is_gpt_tbl

Test if the object is a 'gpt_tbl' object

Description

This function returns TRUE for gpt_tbl objects, and FALSE for all other objects.

Usage

```
is_gpt_tbl(x)
```

Arguments

Х

An object

Value

TRUE if the object inherits from the gpt_tbl class.

 $model_prizes$

Model prize data (last updated November 5, 2024)

Description

Data set containing input and output prizes for all OpenAI's GPT API models.

Usage

```
model_prizes
```

Format

A data. frame containing 15 rows/models and 3 variables/columns

modelcharacterindicating the specific GPT modelprice_in_per_tokencharacterindicating the input prize per tokenprice_out_per_tokencharacterindicating the output prize per token

References

```
OpenAI. Pricing. https://openai.com/api/pricing/
```

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print.chatgpt

Print methods for 'chatgpt' objects

Description

Print methods for 'chatgpt' objects

Usage

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

Arguments

```
x an object of class 'chatgpt'.... other print arguments.
```

Value

Information about how to find answer data sets and pricing information.

Examples

```
## Not run:
print(x)
## End(Not run)
```

print.gpt

Print methods for 'gpt' objects

Description

```
Print methods for 'gpt' objects
```

Usage

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

Arguments

```
x an object of class 'gpt'.
... other print arguments.
```

print.gpt_price

Value

Information about how to find answer data sets and pricing information.

Examples

```
## Not run:
print(x)
## End(Not run)
```

```
print.gpt_price
```

Print methods for 'gpt_price' objects

Description

Print methods for 'gpt_price' objects

Usage

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

Arguments

```
x an object of class "gpt_price".... other print arguments.
```

Value

The total price of the screening across all gpt-models expected to be used for the screening.

```
## Not run:
print(x)
## End(Not run)
```

```
rate_limits_per_minute
```

Find updated rate limits for API models

Description

[Stable]

rate_limits_per_minute reports the rate limits for a given API model. The function returns the available requests per minute (RPM) as well as tokens per minute (TPM). Find general information at https://platform.openai.com/docs/guides/rate-limits/overview.

Usage

```
rate_limits_per_minute(
  model = "gpt-4o-mini",
  AI_tool = "gpt",
  api_key = get_api_key()
)
```

Arguments

model

Character string with the name of the completion model. Default is "gpt-4o-mini". Can take multiple values. Find available model at https://platform.openai.com/docs/models/model-endpoint-compatibility.

AI_tool

Character string specifying the AI tool from which the API is issued. Default is "gpt".

api_key

Numerical value with your personal API key. Default setting draws on the get_api_key() to retrieve the API key from the R environment, so that the key is not compromised. The API key can be added to the R environment via set_api_key() or by using usethis::edit_r_environ(). In the .Renviron file, write CHATGPT_KEY=INSERT_YOUR_KEY_HERE. After entering the API key, close and save the .Renviron file and restart RStudio (ctrl + shift + F10). Alternatively, one can use httr2::secret_make_key(), httr2::secret_encrypt(), and httr2::secret_decrypt() to scramble and decrypt the API key.

Value

A tibble including variables with information about the model used, the number of requests and tokens per minute.

```
## Not run:
set_api_key()
rate_limits_per_minute()
## End(Not run)
```

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sample_references

Random sample references

Description

sample_referencessamples n rows from the dataset with titles and abstracts either with or without replacement. This function is supposed to support the construct of a test dataset, as suggested by Vembye et al. (2024).

Usage

```
sample_references(
  data,
  n,
  with_replacement = FALSE,
  prob_vec = rep(1/n, nrow(data))
)
```

Arguments

data Dataset containing the titles and abstracts wanted to be screened.

n A non-negative integer giving the number of rows to choose.

with_replacement

Logical indicating if sampling should be done with of without replacement. De-

fault is FALSE.

prob_vec 'A vector of probability weights for obtaining the elements of the vector being

sampled.' Default is a vector of 1/n.

Value

A dataset with n rows.

References

Vembye, M. H., Christensen, J., Mølgaard, A. B., & Schytt, F. L. W. (2024) GPT API Models Can Function as Highly Reliable Second Screeners of Titles and Abstracts in Systematic Reviews: A Proof of Concept and Common Guidelines https://osf.io/preprints/osf/yrhzm

```
excl_test_dat <- filges2015_dat[1:200,] |> sample_references(100)
```

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screen_analyzer	Analyze performance between the human and AI screening.

Description

[Experimental]

When both the human and AI title and abstract screening has been done, this function allows you to calculate performance measures of the screening, including the overall accuracy, specificity and sensitivity of the screening, as well as inter-rater reliability kappa statistics.

Usage

```
screen_analyzer(x, human_decision = human_code, key_result = TRUE)
```

Arguments

Х	An object of either class 'gpt' or 'chatgpt' or a dataset of either class 'gpt_tbl', 'chatgpt_tbl', or 'gpt_agg_tbl'
human_decision	Indicate the variable in the data that contains the human_decision. This variable must be numeric, containing 1 (for included references) and 0 (for excluded references) only.
key_result	Logical indicating if only the raw agreement, recall, and specificity measures should be returned. Default is TRUE.

Value

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numeric

A tibble with screening performance measures. The tibble includes the following variables:

promptid	integer	indicating the prompt ID.
model	character	indicating the specific gpt-model used.
reps	integer	indicating the number of times the same question was sent to GPT server.
top_p	numeric	indicating the applied top_p.
n_screened	integer	indicating the number of screened references.
n_missing	numeric	indicating the number of missing responses.
n_refs	integer	indicating the total number of references expected to be screened for the given condition
human_in_gpt_ex	numeric	indicating the number of references included by humans and excluded by gpt.
human_ex_gpt_in	numeric	indicating the number of references excluded by humans and included by gpt.
human_in_gpt_in	numeric	indicating the number of references included by humans and included by gpt.
human_ex_gpt_ex	numeric	indicating the number of references excluded by humans and excluded by gpt.
accuracy	numeric	indicating the overall percent disagreement between human and gpt (Gartlehner et al., 20
p_agreement	numeric	indicating the overall percent agreement between human and gpt.
precision	numeric	"measures the ability to include only articles that should be included" (Syriani et al., 202
recall	numeric	"measures the ability to include all articles that should be included" (Syriani et al., 2023)
npv	numeric	Negative predictive value (NPV) "measures the ability to exclude only articles that shoul
specificity	numeric	"measures the ability to exclude all articles that should be excluded" (Syriani et al., 2023

"capture the accuracy of deciding both inclusion and exclusion classes" (Syriani et al., 20

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F2	numeric	F-measure that "consider the cost of getting false negatives twice as costly as getting fals
mcc	numeric	indicating percent agreement for excluded references (Gartlehner et al., 2019).
irr	numeric	indicating the inter-rater reliability as described in McHugh (2012).
se_irr	numeric	indicating standard error for the inter-rater reliability.
cl_irr	numeric	indicating lower confidence interval for the inter-rater reliability.
cu_irr	numeric	indicating upper confidence interval for the inter-rater reliability.
level_of_agreement	character	interpretation of the inter-rater reliability as suggested by McHugh (2012).

References

Gartlehner, G., Wagner, G., Lux, L., Affengruber, L., Dobrescu, A., Kaminski-Hartenthaler, A., & Viswanathan, M. (2019). Assessing the accuracy of machine-assisted abstract screening with DistillerAI: a user study. *Systematic Reviews*, 8(1), 277. doi:10.1186/s1364301912213

McHugh, M. L. (2012). Interrater reliability: The kappa statistic. *Biochemia Medica*, 22(3), 276-282. https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/23092060/

Syriani, E., David, I., & Kumar, G. (2023). Assessing the Ability of ChatGPT to Screen Articles for Systematic Reviews. *ArXiv Preprint ArXiv:2307.06464*.

```
## Not run:
library(future)
set_api_key()
prompt <- "Is this study about a Functional Family Therapy (FFT) intervention?"
plan(multisession)

res <- tabscreen_gpt(
    data = filges2015_dat[1:2,],
    prompt = prompt,
    studyid = studyid,
    title = title,
    abstract = abstract
    )

plan(sequential)

res |> screen_analyzer()

## End(Not run)
```

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screen_errors

Generic function to re-screen failed title and abstract requests.

Description

[Experimental]

This is a generic function to re-screen of failed title and abstract requests.

Usage

```
screen_errors(
  object,
  api_key = get_api_key(),
  max_tries = 4,
  max_seconds,
  is_transient,
  backoff,
  after,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

object

An object of either class 'gpt' or 'chatgpt'.

api_key

Numerical value with your personal API key. Default setting draws on the get_api_key() to retrieve the API key from the R environment, so that the key is not compromised. The API key can be added to the R environment via set_api_key() or by using usethis::edit_r_environ(). In the .Renviron file, write CHATGPT_KEY=INSERT_YOUR_KEY_HERE. After entering the API key, close and save the .Renviron file and restart RStudio (ctrl + shift + F10). Alternatively, one can use httr2::secret_make_key(), httr2::secret_encrypt(), and httr2::secret_decrypt() to scramble and decrypt the API key.

max_tries, max_seconds

'Cap the maximum number of attempts with max_tries or the total elapsed time from the first request with max_seconds. If neither option is supplied (the default), httr2::req_perform() will not retry' (Wickham, 2023). Default max_tries is 16. If missing, the value of max_seconds from the original screening conducted with tabscreen_gpt() will be used.

is_transient

'A predicate function that takes a single argument (the response) and returns TRUE or FALSE specifying whether or not the response represents a transient error' (Wickham, 2023). If missing, the is_transient function from the original screening conducted with tabscreen_gpt() will be used.

backoff

'A function that takes a single argument (the number of failed attempts so far) and returns the number of seconds to wait' (Wickham, 2023). If missing, the backoffvalue from the original screening conducted with tabscreen_gpt() will be used.

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after

'A function that takes a single argument (the response) and returns either a number of seconds to wait or NULL, which indicates that a precise wait time is not available that the backoff strategy should be used instead' (Wickham, 2023). If missing, the after value from the original screening conducted with tabscreen_gpt() will be used.

. . .

Further argument to pass to the request body. See https://platform.openai.com/docs/api-reference/chat/create. If used in the original screening in tabscreen_gpt(), the argument(s) must be specified here again.

Value

An object of class 'gpt' or 'chatgpt' similar to the object returned by tabscreen_gpt(). See documentation for tabscreen_gpt().

See Also

```
screen_errors.gpt(), screen_errors.chatgpt()
```

```
## Not run:
set_api_key()
prompt <- "Is this study about a Functional Family Therapy (FFT) intervention?"

obj_with_error <-
    tabscreen_gpt(
    data = filges2015_dat[1:2,],
    prompt = prompt,
    studyid = studyid,
    title = title,
    abstract = abstract,
    model = "gpt-4o-mini"
    )

obj_rescreened <-
    obj_with_error |>
    screen_error()

## End(Not run)
```

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Description

[Deprecated]

This function supports re-screening of all failed title and abstract requests screened with tabscreen_gpt.original(). This function has been deprecated because OpenAI has deprecated the function_call and and functions argument that was used in tabscreen_gpt.original().

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'chatgpt'
screen_errors(
   object,
    ...,
   api_key = get_api_key(),
   max_tries = 4,
   max_seconds,
   is_transient,
   backoff,
   after
)
```

Arguments

. . .

object An object of class 'chatgpt'.

Further argument to pass to the request body. See https://platform.openai.com/docs/api-reference/chat/create. If used in the original screening (e.g., with tabscreen_gpt.original()), the argument(s) must be specified again here.

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api_key Numerical value with your personal API key.

max_tries, max_seconds

'Cap the maximum number of attempts with max_tries or the total elapsed time from the first request with max_seconds. If neither option is supplied (the default), httr2::req_perform() will not retry' (Wickham, 2023). Default max_tries is 4. If missing, the value of max_seconds from the original screening (e.g., conducted with tabscreen_gpt.original()) will be used.

is_transient

'A predicate function that takes a single argument (the response) and returns TRUE or FALSE specifying whether or not the response represents a transient error' (Wickham, 2023). If missing, the is_transient function from the original screening (e.g., conducted with tabscreen_gpt.original()) will be used.

backoff

'A function that takes a single argument (the number of failed attempts so far) and returns the number of seconds to wait' (Wickham, 2023). If missing, the backoffvalue from the original screening (e.g., conducted with tabscreen_gpt.original()) will be used.

after

'A function that takes a single argument (the response) and returns either a number of seconds to wait or NULL, which indicates that a precise wait time is not available that the backoff strategy should be used instead' (Wickham, 2023). If missing, the after value from the original screening (e.g., conducted with tabscreen_gpt.original()) will be used.

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Value

Object of class 'chatgpt' similar to the object returned by tabscreen_gpt.original(). See documentation value for tabscreen_gpt.original().

References

Wickham H (2023). httr2: Perform HTTP Requests and Process the Responses. https://httr2.r-lib.org, https://github.com/r-lib/httr2.

See Also

```
tabscreen_gpt.original()
```

```
## Not run:
set_api_key()
prompt <- "Is this study about a Functional Family Therapy (FFT) intervention?"</pre>
obj_with_error <-
  tabscreen_gpt(
   data = filges2015_dat[1:2,],
   prompt = prompt,
   studyid = studyid,
   title = title,
   abstract = abstract,
   model = c("gpt-3.5-turbo-0613", "gpt-3.5-turbo-16k-0613"),
   max\_tries = 1,
   reps = 10
    )
obj_rescreened <-
  obj_with_error |>
  screen_error()
# Alternatively re-set max_tries if errors still appear
obj_rescreened <-
  obj_with_error |>
  screen_error(max_tries = 16)
## End(Not run)
```

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Description

[Experimental]

This function supports re-screening of all failed title and abstract requests screened with tabscreen_gpt()/tabscreen_gpt.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'gpt'
screen_errors(
  object,
  api_key = get_api_key(),
  max_tries = 16,
  max_seconds,
  is_transient,
  backoff,
  after,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

object

An object of class 'gpt'.

api_key

Numerical value with your personal API key. Default setting draws on the get_api_key() to retrieve the API key from the R environment, so that the key is not compromised. The API key can be added to the R environment via set_api_key() or by using usethis::edit_r_environ(). In the .Renviron file, write CHATGPT_KEY=INSERT_YOUR_KEY_HERE. After entering the API key, close and save the .Renviron file and restart RStudio (ctrl + shift + F10). Alternatively, one can use httr2::secret_make_key(), httr2::secret_encrypt(), and httr2::secret_decrypt() to scramble and decrypt the API key.

max_tries, max_seconds

'Cap the maximum number of attempts with max_tries or the total elapsed time from the first request with max_seconds. If neither option is supplied (the default), httr2::req_perform() will not retry' (Wickham, 2023). Default max_tries is 16. If missing, the value of max_seconds from the original screening conducted with tabscreen_gpt() will be used.

is_transient

'A predicate function that takes a single argument (the response) and returns TRUE or FALSE specifying whether or not the response represents a transient error' (Wickham, 2023). If missing, the is_transient function from the original screening conducted with tabscreen_gpt() will be used.

backoff

'A function that takes a single argument (the number of failed attempts so far) and returns the number of seconds to wait' (Wickham, 2023). If missing, the backoffvalue from the original screening conducted with tabscreen_gpt() will be used.

after

'A function that takes a single argument (the response) and returns either a number of seconds to wait or NULL, which indicates that a precise wait time is not available that the backoff strategy should be used instead' (Wickham,

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2023). If missing, the after value from the original screening conducted with tabscreen_gpt() will be used.

Further argument to pass to the request body. See https://platform.openai.com/docs/api-reference/chat/create. If used in the original screening in tabscreen_gpt(), the argument(s) must be specified again here.

Value

An object of class 'gpt' similar to the object returned by tabscreen_gpt(). See documentation for tabscreen_gpt().

References

Wickham H (2023). httr2: Perform HTTP Requests and Process the Responses. https://httr2.r-lib.org, https://github.com/r-lib/httr2.

See Also

```
tabscreen_gpt(), tabscreen_gpt.tools()
```

```
## Not run:
prompt <- "Is this study about a Functional Family Therapy (FFT) intervention?"

obj_with_error <-
    tabscreen_gpt(
    data = filges2015_dat[1:10,],
    prompt = prompt,
    studyid = studyid,
    title = title,
    abstract = abstract,
    model = "gpt-40"
    )

obj_rescreened <-
    obj_with_error |>
    screen_error()

## End(Not run)
```

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Description

This function automatically sets/creates an interim R environment variable with the API key to call a given AI model (e.g. ChatGPT). Thereby users avoid exposing their API keys. If the API key is set in the console, it will/can be revealed via the .Rhistory. Find more information about this issue at https://httr2.r-lib.org/articles/wrapping-apis.html.

Usage

```
set_api_key(key, env_var = "CHATGPT_KEY")
```

Arguments

key Character string with an (ideally encrypt) API key. See how to encrypt key here:

https://httr2.r-lib.org/articles/wrapping-apis.html#basics. If not provided, it returns a password box in which the true API key can be secretly

entered.

env_var Character string indicating the name of the temporary R environment variable

with the API key and the used AI model. Currently, the argument only takes

env_var = "CHATGPT_KEY".

Details

When set_api_key() has successfully been executed, get_api_key() automatically retrieves the API key from the R environment and the users do not need to specify the API when running functions from the package that call the API. The API key can be permanently set by using usethis::edit_r_environ(). Then write CHATGPT_KEY=[insert your api key here] and close the .Renviron window and restart R.

Value

A temporary environment variable with the name from env_var. If key is missing, it returns a password box in which the true API key can be entered.

Note

Find your personal API key at https://platform.openai.com/account/api-keys.

See Also

```
get_api_key
```

```
## Not run:
set_api_key()
## End(Not run)
```

tabscreen_gpt.original

Title and abstract screening with GPT API models using function calls via the original function call arguments

Description

[Deprecated]

This function has been deprecated (but can still be used) because OpenAI has deprecated the function_call and and functions argument which is used in this function. Instead use the tabscreen_gpt.tools() that handles the function calling via the tools and tool_choice arguments.

This function supports the conduct of title and abstract screening with GPT API models in R. This function only works with GPT-4, more specifically gpt-4-0613. To draw on other models, use tabscreen_gpt.tools(). The function allows to run title and abstract screening across multiple prompts and with repeated questions to check for consistency across answers. This function draws on the newly developed function calling to better steer the output of the responses. This function was used in Vembye et al. (2024).

Usage

```
tabscreen_gpt.original(
  data,
 prompt,
 studyid,
  title,
  abstract,
 model = "gpt-4",
 role = "user",
  functions = incl_function_simple,
  function_call_name = list(name = "inclusion_decision_simple"),
  top_p = 1,
  time_info = TRUE,
  token_info = TRUE,
  api_key = get_api_key(),
 max_tries = 16,
 max\_seconds = NULL,
  is_transient = gpt_is_transient,
 backoff = NULL,
  after = NULL,
  rpm = 10000,
  reps = 1,
  seed_par = NULL,
 progress = TRUE,
 messages = TRUE,
  incl_cutoff_upper = 0.5,
```

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```
incl_cutoff_lower = incl_cutoff_upper - 0.1,
force = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

data Dataset containing the titles and abstracts.

prompt Prompt(s) to be added before the title and abstract.

studyid Unique Study ID. If missing, this is generated automatically.

title Name of the variable containing the title information.

Name of variable containing the abstract information.

... Further argument to pass to the request body. See https://platform.openai.

com/docs/api-reference/chat/create.

model Character string with the name of the completion model. Can take multiple mod-

els, including gpt-4 models. Default = "gpt-4" (i.e., gpt-4-0613). This model has been shown to outperform the gpt-3.5-turbo models in terms of its ability to detect relevant studies (Vembye et al., Under preparation). Find available model

at https://platform.openai.com/docs/models/model-endpoint-compatibility.

role Character string indicate the role of the user. Default is "user".

functions Function to steer output. Default is incl_function_simple. To get detailed

responses use the hidden function call incl_function from the package. Also see 'Examples below. Find further documentation for function calling at <a href="https://examples.org/https://examples.org

//openai.com/blog/function-calling-and-other-api-updates.

function_call_name

Functions to call. Default is list(name = "inclusion_decision_simple"). To get detailed responses use list(name = "inclusion_decision"). Also see

'Examples below.

top_p 'An alternative to sampling with temperature, called nucleus sampling, where

the model considers the results of the tokens with top_p probability mass. So 0.1 means only the tokens comprising the top 10% probability mass are considered. We generally recommend altering this or temperature but not both.' (OPEN-AI). Default is 1. Find documentation at https://platform.openai.com/docs/

api-reference/chat/create#chat/create-top_p.

time_info Logical indicating whether the run time of each request/question should be in-

cluded in the data. Default = TRUE.

token_info Logical indicating whether the number of prompt and completion tokens per

request should be included in the output data. Default = TRUE. When TRUE, the output object will include price information of the conducted screening.

api_key Numerical value with your personal API key. Find at https://platform.

openai.com/account/api-keys. Use httr2::secret_make_key(), httr2::secret_encrypt(),

and httr2::secret_decrypt() to scramble and decrypt the api key and use set_api_key() to securely automate the use of the api key by setting the api

key as a locale environment variable.

max_tries, max_seconds

'Cap the maximum number of attempts with max_tries or the total elapsed time from the first request with max_seconds. If neither option is supplied (the default), http::req_perform() will not retry' (Wickham, 2023).

is_transient

'A predicate function that takes a single argument (the response) and returns TRUE or FALSE specifying whether or not the response represents a transient error' (Wickham, 2023).

backoff

'A function that takes a single argument (the number of failed attempts so far) and returns the number of seconds to wait' (Wickham, 2023).

after

'A function that takes a single argument (the response) and returns either a number of seconds to wait or NULL, which indicates that a precise wait time is not available that the backoff strategy should be used instead' (Wickham, 2023).

rpm

Numerical value indicating the number of requests per minute (rpm) available for the specified api key. Find more information at https://platform.openai.com/docs/guides/rate-limits/what-are-the-rate-limits-for-our-api. Alternatively, use rate_limits_per_minute().

reps

Numerical value indicating the number of times the same question should be sent to OpenAI's GPT API models. This can be useful to test consistency between answers. Default is 1 but when using 3.5 models, we recommend setting this value to 10.

seed_par

Numerical value for a seed to ensure that proper, parallel-safe random numbers

are produced.

progress

Logical indicating whether a progress line should be shown when running the title and abstract screening in parallel. Default is TRUE.

messages

Logical indicating whether to print messages embedded in the function. Default is TRUE.

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incl_cutoff_upper

Numerical value indicating the probability threshold for which a studies should be included. Default is 0.5, which indicates that titles and abstracts that OpenAI's GPT API model has included more than 50 percent of the times should be included.

included.

incl_cutoff_lower

Numerical value indicating the probability threshold above which studies should be check by a human. Default is 0.4, which means that if you ask OpenAI's GPT API model the same questions 10 times and it includes the title and abstract 4 times, we suggest that the study should be check by a human.

force

Logical argument indicating whether to force the function to use more than 10 iterations for gpt-3.5 models and more than 1 iteration for gpt-4 models. This argument is developed to avoid the conduct of wrong and extreme sized screening. Default is FALSE.

Value

An object of class "chatgpt". The object is a list containing the following components:

answer_data_sum

dataset with the summarized, probabilistic inclusion decision for each title and abstract across multiple repeated questions.

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answer_data_all

dataset with all individual answers.

price numerical value indicating the total price (in USD) of the screening.

price_data dataset with prices across all gpt models used for screening.

Note

The answer_data_sum data contains the following mandatory variables:

studyidintegerindicating the study ID of the reference.titlecharacterindicating the title of the reference.abstractcharacterindicating the abstract of the reference.promptidintegerindicating the prompt ID

promptidintegerindicating the prompt ID.promptcharacterindicating the prompt.

model character indicating the specific gpt-model used.

question character indicating the final question sent to OpenAI's GPT API models.

top_p numeric indicating the applied top_p.

incl_p numeric indicating the probability of inclusion calculated across multiple repeated responses final_decision_gpt character indicating the final decision reached by gpt - either 'Include', 'Exclude', or 'Check'

final_decision_gpt_num integer indicating the final numeric decision reached by gpt - either 1 or 0.

longest_answercharacterindicating the longest gpt response obtained across multiple repeated responses on torepsintegerindicating the number of times the same question has been sent to OpenAI's GPT A

n_mis_answers integer indicating the number of missing responses.

The answer_data_all data contains the following mandatory variables:

studyidintegerindicating the study ID of the reference.titlecharacterindicating the title of the reference.abstractcharacterindicating the abstract of the reference.

promptidintegerindicating the prompt ID.promptcharacterindicating the prompt.

model character indicating the specific gpt-model used.

iterations numeric indicating the number of times the same question has been sent to OpenAI's GPT API in the same questio

question character indicating the final question sent to OpenAI's GPT API models.

top_p numeric indicating the applied top_p.

indicating the raw gpt decision - either "1", "0", "1.1" for inclusion, exclusion, or un decision_gpt character indicating detailed description of the given decision made by OpenAI's GPT API mode $detailed_description$ character indicating the binary gpt decision, that is 1 for inclusion and 0 for exclusion. 1.1 decision decision_binary integer prompt_tokens integer indicating the number of prompt tokens sent to the server for the given request. completion_tokens indicating the number of completion tokens sent to the server for the given request. integer run_time indicating the time it took to obtain a response from the server for the given request. numeric

n integer indicating request ID.

If any requests failed to reach the server, the chatgpt object contains an error data set (error_data) having the same variables as answer_data_all but with failed request references only.

The price_data data contains the following variables:

```
modelcharactergpt model.input_price_dollarintegerprice for all prompt/input tokens for the correspondent gpt-model.output_price_dollarintegerprice for all completion/output tokens for the correspondent gpt-model.price_total_dollarintegertotal price for all tokens for the correspondent gpt-model.
```

Find current token pricing at https://openai.com/pricing.

References

Vembye, M. H., Christensen, J., Mølgaard, A. B., & Schytt, F. L. W. (2024) *GPT API Models Can Function as Highly Reliable Second Screeners of Titles and Abstracts in Systematic Reviews: A Proof of Concept and Common Guidelines* https://osf.io/preprints/osf/yrhzm

Wickham H (2023). httr2: Perform HTTP Requests and Process the Responses. https://httr2.r-lib.org, https://github.com/r-lib/httr2.

```
## Not run:
set_api_key()
prompt <- "Is this study about a Functional Family Therapy (FFT) intervention?"</pre>
tabscreen_gpt.original(
 data = filges2015_dat[1:2,],
 prompt = prompt,
 studyid = studyid,
 title = title,
 abstract = abstract,
 max\_tries = 2
 # Get detailed descriptions of the gpt decisions by using the
 # embedded function calling functions from the package. See example below.
 tabscreen_gpt.original(
  data = filges2015_dat[1:2,],
  prompt = prompt,
  studyid = studyid,
  title = title,
  abstract = abstract,
  functions = incl_function,
  function_call_name = list(name = "inclusion_decision"),
  max\_tries = 2
## End(Not run)
```

tabscreen_gpt.tools Title and abstract screening with GPT API models using function calls via the tools argument

Description

[Stable]

This function supports the conduct of title and abstract screening with GPT API models in R. Specifically, it allows the user to draw on GPT-3.5, GPT-4, GPT-4o, GPT-4o-mini, and fine-tuned models. The function allows to run title and abstract screening across multiple prompts and with repeated questions to check for consistency across answers. All of which can be done in parallel. The function draws on the newly developed function calling which is called via the tools argument in the request body. This is the main different between tabscreen_gpt.tools() and tabscreen_gpt.original(). Function calls ensure more reliable and consistent responses to ones requests. See Vembye et al. (2024) for guidance on how adequately to conduct title and abstract screening with GPT models.

Usage

```
tabscreen_gpt.tools(data, prompt, studyid, title, abstract,
  model = "gpt-4o-mini", role = "user", tools = NULL, tool_choice = NULL, top_p = 1,
  time_info = TRUE, token_info = TRUE, api_key = get_api_key(), max_tries = 16,
  max_seconds = NULL, is_transient = gpt_is_transient, backoff = NULL,
  after = NULL, rpm = 10000, reps = 1, seed_par = NULL, progress = TRUE,
  decision_description = FALSE, messages = TRUE, incl_cutoff_upper = NULL,
  incl_cutoff_lower = NULL, force = FALSE, fine_tuned = FALSE, ...)

tabscreen_gpt(data, prompt, studyid, title, abstract,
  model = "gpt-4o-mini", role = "user", tools = NULL, tool_choice = NULL, top_p = 1,
  time_info = TRUE, token_info = TRUE, api_key = get_api_key(), max_tries = 16,
  max_seconds = NULL, is_transient = gpt_is_transient, backoff = NULL,
  after = NULL, rpm = 10000, reps = 1, seed_par = NULL, progress = TRUE,
  decision_description = FALSE, messages = TRUE, incl_cutoff_upper = NULL,
  incl_cutoff_lower = NULL, force = FALSE, fine_tuned = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

data	Dataset containing the titles and abstracts.
prompt	Prompt(s) to be added before the title and abstract.
studyid	Unique Study ID. If missing, this is generated automatically.
title	Name of the variable containing the title information.
abstract	Name of variable containing the abstract information.
mode1	Character string with the name of the completion model. Can take multiple models. Default is the latest "gpt-4o-mini". Find available model at https://platform.openai.com/docs/models/model-endpoint-compatibility.

role Character string indicating the role of the user. Default is "user".

tools This argument allows this user to apply customized functions. See https://

platform.openai.com/docs/api-reference/chat/create#chat-create-tools.

Default is NULL. If not specified the default function calls from AIscreenR are

used.

tool_choice If a customized function is provided this argument 'controls which (if any) tool

is called by the model' (OpenAI). Default is NULL. If set to NULL when using a customized function, the default is "auto". See https://platform.openai.

com/docs/api-reference/chat/create#chat-create-tool_choice.

top_p 'An alternative to sampling with temperature, called nucleus sampling, where

the model considers the results of the tokens with top_p probability mass. So 0.1 means only the tokens comprising the top 10% probability mass are considered. We generally recommend altering this or temperature but not both.' (OpenAI). Default is 1. Find documentation at https://platform.openai.com/docs/

api-reference/chat/create#chat/create-top_p.

time_info Logical indicating whether the run time of each request/question should be in-

cluded in the data. Default is TRUE.

token_info Logical indicating whether token information should be included in the output

data. Default is TRUE. When TRUE, the output object will include price informa-

tion of the conducted screening.

api_key Numerical value with your personal API key. Default setting draws on the

get_api_key() to retrieve the API key from the R environment, so that the
key is not compromised. The API key can be added to the R environment via
set_api_key() or by using usethis::edit_r_environ(). In the .Renviron
file, write CHATGPT_KEY=INSERT_YOUR_KEY_HERE. After entering the API key,
close and save the .Renviron file and restart RStudio (ctrl + shift + F10). Alternatively, one can use httr2::secret_make_key(), httr2::secret_encrypt(),

and httr2::secret_decrypt() to scramble and decrypt the API key.

max_tries, max_seconds

'Cap the maximum number of attempts with max_tries or the total elapsed time from the first request with max_seconds. If neither option is supplied (the default), httr2::req_perform() will not retry' (Wickham, 2023). The default

of max_tries is 16.

is_transient 'A predicate function that takes a single argument (the response) and returns

TRUE or FALSE specifying whether or not the response represents a transient error' (Wickham, 2023). This function runs automatically in the AlscreenR but

can be customized by the user if necessary.

backoff 'A function that takes a single argument (the number of failed attempts so far)

and returns the number of seconds to wait' (Wickham, 2023).

after 'A function that takes a single argument (the response) and returns either a number of accords to wait on NULL, which indicates that a precise wait time is not

ber of seconds to wait or NULL, which indicates that a precise wait time is not available that the backoff strategy should be used instead' (Wickham, 2023).

rpm Numerical value indicating the number of requests per minute (rpm) available for the specified model. Find more information at https://platform.openai.

com/docs/guides/rate-limits/what-are-the-rate-limits-for-our-api.

Alternatively, use rate_limits_per_minute().

reps Numerical value indicating the number of times the same question should be

send to the server. This can be useful to test consistency between answers, and/or can be used to make inclusion judgments based on how many times a study has been included across a the given number of screenings. Default is 1 but when using gpt-3.5-turbo models or gpt-4o-mini, we recommend setting this

value to 10 to catch model uncertainty.

seed_par Numerical value for a seed to ensure that proper, parallel-safe random numbers

are produced.

progress Logical indicating whether a progress line should be shown when running the

title and abstract screening in parallel. Default is TRUE.

decision_description

Logical indicating whether a detailed description should follow the decision made by GPT. Default is FALSE. When conducting large-scale screening, we generally recommend not using this feature as it will substantially increase the cost of the screening. We generally recommend using it when encountering

disagreements between GPT and human decisions.

messages Logical indicating whether to print messages embedded in the function. Default

is TRUE.

incl_cutoff_upper

Numerical value indicating the probability threshold for which a studies should be included. ONLY relevant when the same questions is requested multiple times (i.e., when any reps > 1). Default is 0.5, indicating that titles and abstracts should only be included if GPT has included the study more than 50 percent of

the times.

incl_cutoff_lower

Numerical value indicating the probability threshold above which studies should be check by a human. ONLY relevant when the same questions is requested multiple times (i.e., when any reps > 1). Default is 0.4, meaning that if you ask GPT the same questions 10 times and it includes the title and abstract 4 times,

we suggest that the study should be check by a human.

force Logical argument indicating whether to force the function to use more than 10

iterations for gpt-3.5 models and more than 1 iteration for gpt-4 models other than gpt-4o-mini. This argument is developed to avoid the conduct of wrong

and extreme sized screening. Default is FALSE.

fine_tuned Logical indicating whether a fine-tuned model is used. Default is FALSE.

... Further argument to pass to the request body. See https://platform.openai.

com/docs/api-reference/chat/create.

Value

An object of class 'gpt'. The object is a list containing the following datasets and components:

answer_data dataset of class 'gpt_tbl' with all individual answers.

price_dollar numerical value indicating the total price (in USD) of the screening.

price_data dataset with prices across all gpt models used for screening.

run_date string indicating the date when the screening was ran. In some frameworks, time

details are considered important to report (see e.g., Thomas et al., 2024).

... some additional attributed values/components, including an attributed list with the arguments used in the function. These are used in screen_errors() to re-screen transient errors.

If the same question is requested multiple times, the object will also contain the following dataset with results aggregated across the iterated requests/questions.

```
answer_data_aggregated
```

dataset of class 'gpt_agg_tbl' with the summarized, probabilistic inclusion decision for each title and abstract across multiple repeated questions.

Note

The answer_data data contains the following *mandatory* variables:

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studyid	integer	indicating the study ID of the reference.
title	character	indicating the title of the reference.
abstract	character	indicating the abstract of the reference.
promptid	integer	indicating the prompt ID.
prompt	character	indicating the prompt.
model	character	indicating the specific gpt-model used.
iterations	numeric	indicating the number of times the same question has been sent to OpenAI's GPT API r
question	character	indicating the final question sent to OpenAI's GPT API models.
top_p	numeric	indicating the applied top_p.
decision_gpt	character	indicating the raw gpt decision - either "1", "0", "1.1" for inclusion, exclusion, or un
$detailed_description$	character	indicating detailed description of the given decision made by OpenAI's GPT API mode
decision_binary	integer	indicating the binary gpt decision, that is 1 for inclusion and 0 for exclusion. 1.1 decision
prompt_tokens	integer	indicating the number of prompt tokens sent to the server for the given request.
completion_tokens	integer	indicating the number of completion tokens sent to the server for the given request.
submodel	character	indicating the exact (sub)model used for screening.
run_time	numeric	indicating the time it took to obtain a response from the server for the given request.
run_date	character	indicating the date the given response was received.
n	integer	indicating iteration ID. Is only different from 1, when reps > 1.

If any requests failed, the gpt object contains an error dataset (error_data) containing the same variables as answer_data but with failed request references only.

When the same question is requested multiple times, the answer_data_aggregated data contains the following *mandatory* variables:

studyid title	integer character	indicating the study ID of the reference. indicating the title of the reference.
abstract	character	indicating the abstract of the reference.
promptid	integer	indicating the prompt ID.
prompt	character	indicating the prompt.
model	character	indicating the specific gpt-model used.
question	character	indicating the final question sent to OpenAI's GPT API models.
top_p	numeric	indicating the applied top_p.
incl_p	numeric	indicating the probability of inclusion calculated across multiple repeated responses

final_decision_gpt	character	indicating the final decision reached by gpt - either 'Include', 'Exclude', or 'Check'
final_decision_gpt_num	integer	indicating the final numeric decision reached by gpt - either 1 or 0.
longest_answer	character	indicating the longest gpt response obtained across multiple repeated responses on t
reps	integer	indicating the number of times the same question has been sent to OpenAI's GPT A
n_mis_answers	integer	indicating the number of missing responses.
submodel	character	indicating the exact (sub)model used for screening.

The price_data data contains the following variables:

prompt	character	if multiple prompts are used this variable indicates the given prompt-id.
model	character	the specific gpt model used.
iterations	integer	indicating the number of times the same question was requested.
input_price_dollar	integer	price for all prompt/input tokens for the correspondent gpt-model.
output_price_dollar	integer	price for all completion/output tokens for the correspondent gpt-model.
total_price_dollar	integer	total price for all tokens for the correspondent gpt-model.

Find current token pricing at https://openai.com/pricing or model_prizes.

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```
## Not run:
library(future)
set_api_key()
prompt <- "Is this study about a Functional Family Therapy (FFT) intervention?"
plan(multisession)

tabscreen_gpt(
   data = filges2015_dat[1:2,],
   prompt = prompt,
   studyid = studyid,
   title = title,
   abstract = abstract
)</pre>
```

```
plan(sequential)

# Get detailed descriptions of the gpt decisions.

plan(multisession)

tabscreen_gpt(
   data = filges2015_dat[1:2,],
   prompt = prompt,
   studyid = studyid,
   title = title,
   abstract = abstract,
   decision_description = TRUE
)

plan(sequential)

## End(Not run)
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