

# Package: pkgmatch (via r-universe)

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**head.pkgmatch** *Head method for 'pkgmatch' objects*

### Description

Head method for 'pkgmatch' objects

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'pkgmatch'
head(x, n = 5L, ...)
```

### Arguments

- x Object for which head is to be printed
- n Number of rows of full pkgmatch object to be displayed
- ... Not used

### Value

A (usually) smaller version of x, with all columns displayed.

### See Also

Other utils: [pkgmatch\\_browse\(\)](#), [pkgmatch\\_load\\_data\(\)](#), [print.pkgmatch\(\)](#), [text\\_is\\_code\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:  
input <- "Download open spatial data from NASA"  
p <- pkgmatch_similar_pkgs (input)  
p # Default print method, lists 5 best matching packages  
head (p) # Shows first 5 rows of full `data.frame` object  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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ollama\_check

*Check that ollama is installed with required models, and download if not.*

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## Description

Check that ollama is installed with required models, and download if not.

## Usage

```
ollama_check()
```

## Value

TRUE if everything works okay, otherwise the function will error before returning.

## Examples

```
## Not run:  
chk <- ollama_check ()  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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pkgmatch\_bm25

*Calculate the "BM25" = "Best Matching 25" ranking function between text input and all R packages within specified corpus.*

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## Description

See [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Okapi\\_BM25](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Okapi_BM25).

## Usage

```
pkgmatch_bm25(input, txt = NULL, idfs = NULL, corpus = "ropensci")
```

## Arguments

<code>input</code>	A single character string to match against the second parameter of all input documents.
<code>txt</code>	An optional list of input documents. If not specified, data will be loaded as specified by the <code>corpus</code> parameter.
<code>idfs</code>	Optional list of Inverse Document Frequency weightings generated by the internal <code>bm25_idf</code> function. If not specified, values for the rOpenSci corpus will be automatically downloaded and used.
<code>corpus</code>	If <code>txt</code> is not specified, data for nominated corpus will be downloaded to local cache directory, and BM25 values calculated against those. Must be one of "ropensci", "ropensci-fns".

## Value

A `data.frame` of package names and 'BM25' measures against text from whole packages both with and without function descriptions.

## See Also

Other bm25: [pkgmatch\\_bm25\\_fn\\_calls\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:
input <- "Download open spatial data from NASA"
bm25 <- pkgmatch_bm25 (input)
# Or pre-load document-frequency weightings:
idfs <- pkgmatch_load_data ("idfs", fns = FALSE)
bm25 <- pkgmatch_bm25 (input, idfs = idfs)

## End(Not run)
```

### `pkgmatch_bm25_fn_calls`

*Calculate a "BM25" index from function-call frequencies between a local R package and all packages in specified corpus.*

## Description

Calculate a "BM25" index from function-call frequencies between a local R package and all packages in specified corpus.

## Usage

```
pkgmatch_bm25_fn_calls(path, corpus = "ropensci")
```

**Arguments**

path	Local path to source code of an R package.
corpus	One of "ropensci" or "cran"

**Value**

A `data.frame` of two columns:

- "package" Naming the package from the specified corpus;
- `bm25` The "BM25" index value for the nominated packages, where high values indicate greater overlap in term frequencies.

**See Also**

Other `bm25`: [pkgmatch\\_bm25\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
u <- "https://cran.r-project.org/src/contrib/odbc_1.5.0.tar.gz"
path <- file.path (tempdir (), basename (u))
download.file (u, destfile = path)
bm25 <- pkgmatch_bm25_fn_calls (path)

## End(Not run)
```

`pkgmatch_browse`      *Open web pages for pkgmatch results*

**Description**

Open web pages for `pkgmatch` results

**Usage**

```
pkgmatch_browse(p, n = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

p	A <code>pkgmatch</code> object returned from either <a href="#">pkgmatch_similar_pkgs</a> or <a href="#">pkgmatch_similar_fns</a> .
n	Number of top-matching entries which should be opened. Defaults to the value passed to the main functions.

**Value**

(Invisibly) A named vector of integers, with 0 for all pages able to be successfully opened, and 1 otherwise.

**See Also**

Other utils: [head.pkgmatch\(\)](#), [pkgmatch\\_load\\_data\(\)](#), [print.pkgmatch\(\)](#), [text\\_is\\_code\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
input <- "genomics and transcriptomics sequence data"
p <- pkgmatch_similar_pkgs (input)
pkgmatch_browse (p) # Open main package pages on rOpenSci
p <- pkgmatch_similar_pkgs (input, corpus = "cran")
pkgmatch_browse (p) # Open main package pages on CRAN
p <- pkgmatch_similar_fns (input)
pkgmatch_browse (p) # Open pages for best-matching rOpenSci functions

## End(Not run)
```

**pkgmatch\_embeddings\_from\_pkgs**

*Return raw 'LLM' embeddings from package text and function definitions.*

**Description**

The embeddings are currently retrieved from a local 'ollama' server running Jina AI embeddings.

**Usage**

```
pkgmatch_embeddings_from_pkgs(packages = NULL, functions_only = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

- |                |   |
|----------------|---|
| packages       | A vector of local paths to directories containing R packages.   |
| functions_only | If TRUE, calculate embeddings for function descriptions only. This is intended to generate a separate set of embeddings which can then be used to match plain-text queries of functions, rather than entire packages. |

**Value**

If !functions\_only, a list of two matrices of embeddings: one for the text descriptions of the specified packages, including individual descriptions of all package functions, and one for the entire code base. For functions\_only, a single matrix of embeddings for all function descriptions.

**See Also**

Other embeddings: [pkgmatch\\_embeddings\\_from\\_text\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:
packages <- c ("cli", "fs")
emb_fns <- pkgmatch_embeddings_from_pkgs (packages, functions_only = TRUE)
colnames (emb_fns) # All functions of the two packages
emb_pkg <- pkgmatch_embeddings_from_pkgs (packages, functions_only = FALSE)
names (emb_pkg) # text_with_fns, text_wo_fns, code
colnames (emb_pkg$text_with_fns) # cli, fs

## End(Not run)
```

### pkgmatch\_embeddings\_from\_text

*Return raw 'LLM' embeddings from a vector of text strings.*

## Description

The embeddings are currently retrieved from a local 'ollama' server running Jina AI embeddings.

## Usage

```
pkgmatch_embeddings_from_text(input = NULL)
```

## Arguments

input	A vector of one or more text strings for which embeddings are to be extracted.
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## Value

A matrix of embeddings, one column for each input item, and a fixed number of rows defined by the embedding length of the language models.

## See Also

Other embeddings: [pkgmatch\\_embeddings\\_from\\_pkgs\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:
input <- "Download open spatial data from NASA"
emb <- pkgmatch_embeddings_from_text (input = input)

## End(Not run)
```

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<code>pkgmatch_load_data</code>	<i>Load embeddings generated by the <a href="#">pkgmatch_embeddings_from_pkgs</a> function, either for all rOpenSci packages or, if <code>fns = TRUE</code>, all individual functions within those packages.</i>
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## Description

Load embeddings generated by the [pkgmatch\\_embeddings\\_from\\_pkgs](#) function, either for all rOpenSci packages or, if `fns = TRUE`, all individual functions within those packages.

## Usage

```
pkgmatch_load_data(
  what = "embeddings",
  corpus = "ropensci",
  fns = FALSE,
  raw = FALSE
)
```

## Arguments

<code>what</code>	One of:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "embeddings" to load pre-generated embeddings;</li> <li>• "idfs" to load pre-generated Inverse Document Frequency weightings;</li> <li>• "functions" to load pre-generated frequency tables for text descriptions of function calls; or</li> <li>• "calls" to load pre-generated frequency tables for actual function calls.</li> </ul>
<code>corpus</code>	If <code>embeddings</code> or <code>idfs</code> parameters are not specified, they are automatically downloaded for the corpus specified by this parameter. Must be one of "ropensci" or "cran". The function will then return the most similar package from the specified corpus.
<code>fns</code>	If FALSE (default), load embeddings for all rOpenSci packages; otherwise load (considerably larger dataset of) embeddings for all individual functions.
<code>raw</code>	Only has effect of <code>what = "calls"</code> , in which case default of FALSE loads single Inverse Document Frequency table to entire corpus; otherwise if TRUE, loads raw function call counts for each package in corpus.

## Value

The loaded `data.frame`.

## See Also

Other utils: [head.pkgmatch\(\)](#), [pkgmatch\\_browse\(\)](#), [print.pkgmatch\(\)](#), [text\\_is\\_code\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:
embeddings <- pkgmatch_load_data ("embeddings")
embeddings_fns <- pkgmatch_load_data ("embeddings", fns = TRUE)
idfs <- pkgmatch_load_data ("idfs")
idfs_fns <- pkgmatch_load_data ("idfs", fns = TRUE)

## End(Not run)
```

**pkgmatch\_similar\_fns** *Identify R functions best matching a given input string*

## Description

Function matching is only available for Only applies to functions from the corpus of rOpenSci packages.

## Usage

```
pkgmatch_similar_fns(input, embeddings = NULL, n = 5L, browse = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

input	A text string.
embeddings	Large Language Model embeddings for all rOpenSci packages, generated from <a href="#">pkgmatch_embeddings_from_pkgs</a> . If not provided, pre-generated embeddings will be downloaded and stored in a local cache directory.
n	When the result of this function is printed to screen, the top n packages will be displayed.
browse	If TRUE, automatically open webpages of the top n matches in local browser.

## Value

A character vector of function names in the form "::".

## See Also

Other main: [pkgmatch\\_similar\\_pkgs](#)()

## Examples

```
## Not run:
input <- "Process raster satellite images"
p <- pkgmatch_similar_fns (input)
p # Default print method, lists 5 best matching packages
head (p) # Shows first 5 rows of full `data.frame` object

## End(Not run)
```

`pkgmatch_similar_pkgs` *Find R packages matching an input of either text or another package*

## Description

This function accepts as `input` either a text description, or a path to a local R package, and returns information on R packages which best match that input. Matches are found from within a specified "corpus", currently all packages from either [rOpenSci's package suite](#), or from [CRAN](#).

The returned object has a default `print` method which prints the best 5 matches directly to the screen, yet returns information on all packages within the specified corpus. This information is in the form of a `data.frame`, with one column for the package name, and one or more additional columns of integer ranks for each package. There is also a `head` method to print the first few entries of these full data (default `n = 5`). To see all data, use `as.data.frame()`.

Ranks are obtained from scores derived from:

- Cosine similarities between Large Language Model (LLM) embeddings for the `input`, and corresponding embeddings for the specified corpus.
- "[Best Match 25](#)" ([BM25](#)) scores based on document token frequencies.

Ranks for text matches are generally obtained from packages both including and excluding function descriptions as part of the package text. This results in up to four scores for each input. These scores are then combined to a final ranking using the [Reciprocal Rank Fusion \(RRF\) algorithm](#). The additional parameter of `llm_proportion` determines the extent to which the final ranking weights the LLM versus BM25 components.

Finally, all components of this function are locally cached for each call (by the `memoise` package), so additional calls to this function with the same `input` and `corpus` should be much faster than initial calls. This means the effect of changing `llm_proportion` can easily be examined by simply repeating calls to this function.

## Usage

```
pkgmatch_similar_pkgs(
  input,
  corpus = "ropensci",
  embeddings = NULL,
  idfs = NULL,
  input_is_code = text_is_code(input),
  llm_proportion = 0.5,
  n = 5L,
  browse = FALSE
)
```

## Arguments

<code>input</code>	Either a path to local source code of an R package, or a text string.
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corpus	If embeddings or idfs parameters are not specified, they are automatically downloaded for the corpus specified by this parameter. Must be one of "rOpenSci" or "cran". The function will then return the most similar package from the specified corpus.
embeddings	Large Language Model embeddings for all rOpenSci packages, generated from <a href="#">pkgmatch_embeddings_from_pkgs</a> . If not provided, pre-generated embeddings will be downloaded and stored in a local cache directory.
idfs	Inverse Document Frequency tables for all rOpenSci packages, generated from <a href="#">pkgmatch_bm25</a> . If not provided, pre-generated IDF tables will be downloaded and stored in a local cache directory.
input_is_code	A binary flag indicating whether input is code or plain text. Ignored if input is path to a local package; otherwise can be used to force appropriate interpretation if input type.
llm_proportion	A value between 0 and 1 to control the relative contributions of results from Large Language Models ("LLMs") versus results from traditional token-frequency models. Final rankings are generated by combining these two kinds of results, so that <code>llm_proportion = 0</code> will return results from token frequency analyses only, while <code>llm_proportion = 1</code> will return results from LLMs only.
n	When the result of this function is printed to screen, the top n packages will be displayed.
browse	If TRUE, automatically open webpages of the top n matches in local browser.

## Value

A `data.frame` with a "package" column naming packages, and one or more columns of package ranks in terms of text similarity and, if `input` is a local path to an entire R package, of similarity in code structure. As described above, the default `print` method prints package names only. To see full result, use `as.data.frame()`.

## Note

The first time this function is run without passing either `embeddings` or `idfs`, required values will be automatically downloaded and stored in a locally persistent cache directory. Especially for the "cran" corpus, this downloading may take quite some time.

## See Also

`input_is_code`  
Other main: [pkgmatch\\_similar\\_fns\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:
input <- "Download open spatial data from NASA"
p <- pkgmatch_similar_pkgs (input)
p # Default print method, lists 5 best matching packages
head (p) # Shows first 5 rows of full `data.frame` object
# This second call will be much faster than first call:
```

```
p2 <- pkgmatch_similar_pkgs (input, l1m_proportion = 0.25)

## End(Not run)
```

### **pkgmatch\_treesitter\_fn\_tags**

*Use "treesitter" to tag all function calls made within local package, and to associate those calls with package namespaces. This is used as input to the [pkgmatch\\_bm25\\_fn\\_calls](#) function.*

## Description

Use "treesitter" to tag all function calls made within local package, and to associate those calls with package namespaces. This is used as input to the [pkgmatch\\_bm25\\_fn\\_calls](#) function.

## Usage

```
pkgmatch_treesitter_fn_tags(path)
```

## Arguments

path	Path to local package, or .tar.gz file of package source.
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## Value

A `data.frame` of all function calls made within the package, with the following columns:

- 'fn' Name of the package function within which call is made, including namespace identifiers of ":" for exported functions and ":::" for non-exported functions.
- 'name' Name of function being called, including namespace.
- 'start' Byte number within file corresponding to start of definition
- 'end' Byte number within file corresponding to end of definition
- 'file' Name of file in which fn call is defined.

## Examples

```
## Not run:
u <- "https://cran.r-project.org/src/contrib/odbc_1.5.0.tar.gz"
path <- file.path (tempdir (), basename (u))
download.file (u, destfile = path)
tags <- pkgmatch_treesitter_fn_tags (path)

## End(Not run)
```

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print.pkgmatch	<i>Print method for 'pkgmatch' objects</i>
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## Description

Print method for 'pkgmatch' objects

## Usage

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

## Arguments

x	Object to be printed
...	Additional parameters passed to default 'print' method.

## Value

The result of printing x, in form of either a single character vector, or a named list of character vectors.

## See Also

Other utils: [head.pkgmatch\(\)](#), [pkgmatch\\_browse\(\)](#), [pkgmatch\\_load\\_data\(\)](#), [text\\_is\\_code\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:  
input <- "Download open spatial data from NASA"  
p <- pkgmatch_similar_pkgs (input)  
p # Default print method, lists 5 best matching packages  
head (p) # Shows first 5 rows of full `data.frame` object  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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text_is_code	<i>Estimate whether input text string is code or English prose text.</i>
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## Description

This is only approximate, and there are even software packages which can give false negatives and be identified as prose (like rOpenSci's "geonames" package), and prose which may be wrongly identified as code.

**Usage**

```
text_is_code(txt)
```

**Arguments**

txt	Single input text string
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**Value**

Logical value indicating whether or not txt was identified as code.

**See Also**

Other utils: [head.pkgmatch\(\)](#), [pkgmatch\\_browse\(\)](#), [pkgmatch\\_load\\_data\(\)](#), [print.pkgmatch\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
txt <- "Some text without any code"  
text_is_code (txt)  
txt <- "this_is_code <- function (x) { x }"  
text_is_code (txt)
```

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