

# Package: rollama (via r-universe)

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chat_history	<i>Handle conversations</i>
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### Description

Shows and deletes (new\_chat) the local prompt and response history to start a new conversation.

### Usage

```
chat_history()
```

```
new_chat()
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### Value

chat\_history: tibble with chat history

new\_chat: Does not return a value

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check_model_installed	<i>Check if one or several models are installed on the server</i>
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### Description

Check if one or several models are installed on the server

### Usage

```
check_model_installed(
  model,
  check_only = FALSE,
  auto_pull = FALSE,
  server = getOption("rollama_server", default = "http://localhost:11434")
)
```

**Arguments**

model	names of one or several models as character vector.
check_only	only return TRUE/FALSE and don't download models.
auto_pull	if FALSE, the default, asks before downloading models.
server	URL to one or several Ollama servers (not the API). Defaults to "http://localhost:11434".

**Value**

invisible TRUE/FALSE

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create_model	<i>Create a model from a Modelfile</i>
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**Description**

Create a model from a Modelfile

**Usage**

```
create_model(model, modelfile, server = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

model	name of the model to create
modelfile	either a path to a model file to be read or the contents of the model file as a character vector.
server	URL to one or several Ollama servers (not the API). Defaults to "http://localhost:11434".

**Details**

Custom models are the way to save your system message and model parameters in a dedicated shareable way. If you use `show_model()`, you can look at the configuration of a model in the column `modelfile`. To get more information and a list of valid parameters, check out <https://github.com/ollama/ollama/blob/main/docs/modelfile.md>. Most options are also available through the `query` and `chat` functions, yet are not persistent over sessions.

**Value**

Nothing. Called to create a model on the Ollama server.

**Examples**

```
modelfile <- system.file("extdata", "modelfile.txt", package = "rollama")
## Not run: create_model("mario", modelfile)
modelfile <- "FROM llama3.1\nSYSTEM You are mario from Super Mario Bros."
## Not run: create_model("mario", modelfile)
```

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 embed\_text

 Generate Embeddings
 

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## Description

Generate Embeddings

## Usage

```
embed_text(
  text,
  model = NULL,
  server = NULL,
  model_params = NULL,
  verbose = getOption("rollama_verbose", default = interactive())
)
```

## Arguments

text	text vector to generate embeddings for.
model	which model to use. See <a href="https://ollama.com/library">https://ollama.com/library</a> for options. Default is "llama3.1". Set option(rollama_model = "modelname") to change default for the current session. See <a href="#">pull_model</a> for more details.
server	URL to one or several Ollama servers (not the API). Defaults to "http://localhost:11434".
model_params	a named list of additional model parameters listed in the <a href="#">documentation for the Modelfile</a> .
verbose	Whether to print status messages to the Console (TRUE/FALSE). The default is to have status messages in interactive sessions. Can be changed with options(rollama_verbose = FALSE).

## Value

a tibble with embeddings.

## Examples

```
## Not run:
embed_text(c(
  "Here is an article about llamas...",
  "R is a language and environment for statistical computing and graphics."))

## End(Not run)
```

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list_models	<i>List models that are available locally.</i>
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**Description**

List models that are available locally.

**Usage**

```
list_models(server = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

server           URL to one or several Ollama servers (not the API). Defaults to "http://localhost:11434".

**Value**

a tibble of installed models

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make_query	<i>Generate and format queries for a language model</i>
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**Description**

make\_query generates structured input for a language model, including system prompt, user messages, and optional examples (assistant answers).

**Usage**

```
make_query(  
  text,  
  prompt,  
  template = "{prefix}{text}\n{prompt}\n{suffix}",  
  system = NULL,  
  prefix = NULL,  
  suffix = NULL,  
  examples = NULL  
)
```

**Arguments**

text	A character vector of texts to be annotated.
prompt	A string defining the main task or question to be passed to the language model.
template	A string template for formatting user queries, containing placeholders like {text}, {prefix}, and {suffix}.
system	An optional string to specify a system prompt.
prefix	A prefix string to prepend to each user query.
suffix	A suffix string to append to each user query.
examples	A tibble with columns text and answer, representing example user messages and corresponding assistant responses.

**Details**

The function supports the inclusion of examples, which are dynamically added to the structured input. Each example follows the same format as the primary user query.

**Value**

A list of tibbles, one for each input text, containing structured rows for system messages, user messages, and assistant responses.

**Examples**

```
template <- "{prefix}{text}\n\n{prompt}{suffix}"
examples <- tibble::tribble(
  ~text, ~answer,
  "This movie was amazing, with great acting and story.", "positive",
  "The film was okay, but not particularly memorable.", "neutral",
  "I found this movie boring and poorly made.", "negative"
)
queries <- make_query(
  text = c("A stunning visual spectacle.", "Predictable but well-acted."),
  prompt = "Classify sentiment as positive, neutral, or negative.",
  template = template,
  system = "Provide a sentiment classification.",
  prefix = "Review: ",
  suffix = " Please classify.",
  examples = examples
)
print(queries)
if (ping_ollama()) { # only run this example when Ollama is running
  query(queries, screen = TRUE, output = "text")
}
```

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ping_ollama	<i>Ping server to see if Ollama is reachable</i>
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**Description**

Ping server to see if Ollama is reachable

**Usage**

```
ping_ollama(server = NULL, silent = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

server	URL to one or several Ollama servers (not the API). Defaults to "http://localhost:11434".
silent	suppress warnings and status (only return TRUE/FALSE).

**Value**

TRUE if server is running

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pull_model	<i>Pull, show and delete models</i>
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**Description**

Pull, show and delete models

**Usage**

```
pull_model(  
  model = NULL,  
  server = NULL,  
  insecure = FALSE,  
  verbose = getOption("rollama_verbose", default = interactive())  
)  
  
show_model(model = NULL, server = NULL)  
  
delete_model(model, server = NULL)  
  
copy_model(model, destination = paste0(model, "-copy"), server = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

model	name of the model(s). Defaults to "llama3.1" when NULL (except in delete_model).
server	URL to one or several Ollama servers (not the API). Defaults to "http://localhost:11434".
insecure	allow insecure connections to the library. Only use this if you are pulling from your own library during development.
verbose	Whether to print status messages to the Console (TRUE/FALSE). The default is to have status messages in interactive sessions. Can be changed with options(rollama_verbose = FALSE).
destination	name of the copied model.

**Details**

- pull\_model(): downloads model
- show\_model(): displays information about a local model
- copy\_model(): creates a model with another name from an existing model
- delete\_model(): deletes local model

**Model names:** Model names follow a model:tag format, where model can have an optional namespace such as example/model. Some examples are orca-mini:3b-q4\_1 and llama3.1:70b. The tag is optional and, if not provided, will default to latest. The tag is used to identify a specific version.

**Value**

(invisible) a tibble with information about the model (except in delete\_model)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
# download a model and save information in an object
model_info <- pull_model("mixtral")
# after you pull, you can get the same information with:
model_info <- show_model("mixtral")
# pulling models from Hugging Face Hub is also possible
pull_model("https://huggingface.co/oxyapi/oxy-1-small-GGUF:Q2_K")

## End(Not run)
```

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query

*Chat with a LLM through Ollama*


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**Description**

Chat with a LLM through Ollama

**Usage**

```

query(
  q,
  model = NULL,
  screen = TRUE,
  server = NULL,
  images = NULL,
  model_params = NULL,
  output = c("response", "text", "list", "data.frame", "httr2_response", "httr2_request"),
  format = NULL,
  template = NULL,
  verbose = getOption("ollama_verbose", default = interactive())
)

chat(
  q,
  model = NULL,
  screen = TRUE,
  server = NULL,
  images = NULL,
  model_params = NULL,
  template = NULL,
  verbose = getOption("ollama_verbose", default = interactive())
)

```

**Arguments**

q	the question as a character string or a conversation object.
model	which model(s) to use. See <a href="https://ollama.com/library">https://ollama.com/library</a> for options. Default is "llama3.1". Set option(ollama_model = "modelname") to change default for the current session. See <a href="#">pull_model</a> for more details.
screen	Logical. Should the answer be printed to the screen.
server	URL to one or several Ollama servers (not the API). Defaults to "http://localhost:11434".
images	path(s) to images (for multimodal models such as llava).
model_params	a named list of additional model parameters listed in the <a href="#">documentation for the Modelfile</a> such as temperature. Use a seed and set the temperature to zero to get reproducible results (see examples).
output	what the function should return. Possible values are "response", "text", "list", "data.frame", "httr2_response" or "httr2_request" see details.
format	the format to return a response in. Currently the only accepted value is "json".
template	the prompt template to use (overrides what is defined in the Modelfile).
verbose	Whether to print status messages to the Console (TRUE/FALSE). The default is to have status messages in interactive sessions. Can be changed with options(ollama_verbose = FALSE).

## Details

query sends a single question to the API, without knowledge about previous questions (only the config message is relevant). chat treats new messages as part of the same conversation until `new_chat` is called.

To make the output reproducible, you can set a seed with `options(rollama_seed = 42)`. As long as the seed stays the same, the models will give the same answer, changing the seed leads to a different answer.

For the output of query, there are a couple of options:

- `response`: the response of the Ollama server
- `text`: only the answer as a character vector
- `data.frame`: a data.frame containing model and response
- `list`: a list containing the prompt to Ollama and the response
- `httr2_response`: the response of the Ollama server including HTML headers in the httr2 response format
- `httr2_request`: httr2\_request objects in a list, in case you want to run them with `httr2::req_perform()`, `httr2::req_perform_sequential()`, or `httr2::req_perform_parallel()` yourself.

## Value

list of objects set in output parameter.

## Examples

```
#' # ask a single question
query("why is the sky blue?")

# hold a conversation
chat("why is the sky blue?")
chat("and how do you know that?")

# save the response to an object and extract the answer
resp <- query(q = "why is the sky blue?")
answer <- resp[[1]]$message$content

# or just get the answer directly
answer <- query(q = "why is the sky blue?", output = "text")

# ask question about images (to a multimodal model)
images <- c("https://avatars.githubusercontent.com/u/23524101?v=4", # remote
           "/path/to/your/image.jpg") # or local images supported
query(q = "describe these images",
      model = "llava",
      images = images[1]) # just using the first path as the second is not real

# set custom options for the model at runtime (rather than in create_model())
query("why is the sky blue?",
      model_params = list(
        num_keep = 5,
```

```
    seed = 42,
    num_predict = 100,
    top_k = 20,
    top_p = 0.9,
    min_p = 0.0,
    tfs_z = 0.5,
    typical_p = 0.7,
    repeat_last_n = 33,
    temperature = 0.8,
    repeat_penalty = 1.2,
    presence_penalty = 1.5,
    frequency_penalty = 1.0,
    mirostat = 1,
    mirostat_tau = 0.8,
    mirostat_eta = 0.6,
    penalize_newline = TRUE,
    numa = FALSE,
    num_ctx = 1024,
    num_batch = 2,
    num_gpu = 0,
    main_gpu = 0,
    low_vram = FALSE,
    vocab_only = FALSE,
    use_mmap = TRUE,
    use_mlock = FALSE,
    num_thread = 8
  ))

# use a seed to get reproducible results
query("why is the sky blue?", model_params = list(seed = 42))

# to set a seed for the whole session you can use
options(rollama_seed = 42)

# this might be interesting if you want to turn off the GPU and load the
# model into the system memory (slower, but most people have more RAM than
# VRAM, which might be interesting for larger models)
query("why is the sky blue?",
      model_params = list(num_gpu = 0))

# Asking the same question to multiple models is also supported
query("why is the sky blue?", model = c("llama3.1", "orca-mini"))

# And if you have multiple Ollama servers in your network, you can send
# requests to them in parallel
if (ping_ollama(c("http://localhost:11434/",
                 "http://192.168.2.45:11434/"))) { # check if servers are running
  query("why is the sky blue?", model = c("llama3.1", "orca-mini"),
        server = c("http://localhost:11434/",
                  "http://192.168.2.45:11434/"))
}
```

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rollama-options	<i>rollama Options</i>
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### Description

The behaviour of rollama can be controlled through `options()`. Specifically, the options below can be set.

### Details

**rollama\_server** This controls the default server where Ollama is expected to run. It assumes that you are running Ollama locally in a Docker container.

"http://localhost:11434"

**default\_ollama\_model** The default model is llama3.1, which is a good overall option with reasonable performance and size for most tasks. You can change the model in each function call or globally with this option.

"llama3.1"

**default\_ollama\_verbose** Whether the package tells users what is going on, e.g., showing a spinner while the models are thinking or showing the download speed while pulling models. Since this adds some complexity to the code, you might want to disable it when you get errors (it won't fix the error, but you get a better error trace).

TRUE

**default\_ollama\_config** The default configuration or system message. If NULL, the system message defined in the used model is employed.

None

### Examples

**default:** `options(rollama_config = "You make answers understandable to a 5 year old")`

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