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Fonduer is a Python package and framework for building knowledge base construction (KBC) applications from **richly formatted data**.

Note that Fonduer is still *actively under development*, so feedback and contributions are welcome. Submit bugs in the [Issues](#) section or feel free to submit your contributions as a pull request.

GETTING STARTED

This document will show you how to get up and running with Fonduer. We'll show you how to get everything installed and your machine so that you can walk through real examples by checking out our [Tutorials](#).

1.1 Installing Non-Python Dependencies

Fonduer relies on a couple of non-Python applications. You'll need to install these and be sure are on your PATH.

For OS X using [homebrew](#):

```
$ brew install poppler
$ brew install postgresql@10
$ brew install libpng freetype pkg-config
$ brew install libomp #https://github.com/pytorch/pytorch/issues/20030
$ brew install imagemagick
```

On Debian-based distros:

```
$ sudo apt update
$ sudo apt install libxml2-dev libxslt-dev python3-dev libpq-dev
$ sudo apt build-dep python-matplotlib
$ sudo apt install poppler-utils
$ sudo apt install postgresql
$ sudo apt install libmagickwand-dev
```

Note: Fonduer requires PostgreSQL version 9.6 or higher.

Note: Fonduer requires `poppler-utils` to be version 0.36.0 or later. Otherwise, the `-bbox-layout` option is not available for `pdftotext` (see [changelog](#)). It is recommended to use `poppler-utils` version 0.48.0 or later to avoid a [known bug](#).

Note: Use Wand (`>=0.5.0`) with ImageMagick7 as Wand (`<0.5.0`) does not support ImageMagick7.

1.2 Installing the Fonduer Package

Then, install Fonduer by running:

```
$ pip install fonduer
```

Note: Fonduer only supports Python 3. Python 2 is not supported.

Tip: For the Python dependencies, we recommend using a [virtualenv](#), which will allow you to install Fonduer and its python dependencies in an isolated Python environment. Once you have virtualenv installed, you can create a Python 3 virtual environment as follows.:

```
$ virtualenv -p python3.6 .venv
```

Once the virtual environment is created, activate it by running:

```
$ source .venv/bin/activate
```

Any Python libraries installed will now be contained within this virtual environment. To deactivate the environment, simply run:

```
$ deactivate
```

1.3 Downloading spaCy language models

Language models introduced recently cannot be downloaded by Fonduer. Those models should be downloaded and their shortcuts should be created as below:

```
$ python -m spacy download ja_core_news_sm
$ python -m spacy link ja_core_news_sm ja
$ python -m spacy download zh_core_web_sm
$ python -m spacy link zh_core_web_sm zh
```

1.4 The Fonduer Pipeline

The Fonduer pipeline can be broken into five phases.

1. **Parsing** In this first stage, an input corpus of richly formatted documents is parsed into Fonduer’s data model.
2. **Mention and Candidate Extraction** Here, we initialize the knowledge base with the user’s target schema. Users define Mentions using [Matchers](#), and then combine Mentions to create Candidates. Throttlers can also (optionally) be added to filter out invalid Candidates to achieve better class balance.
3. **Multimodal Featurization** Fonduer then featurizes each candidate with features from multiple modalities.
4. **Supervision** Next, users provide labeling functions (which can leverage our [data model utilities](#)) to provide weak supervision.
5. **Classification** Finally, Fonduer provides machine learning models which are used to classify each Candidate.

To demonstrate how to set up and use Fonduer in your applications, we walk through each of these phases in real-world examples in our [Tutorials](#).

Check out the [Fonduer paper](#) for more details about the system.

PARSING

The first stage of **Fonduer**'s pipeline is to parse an input corpus of documents into the **Fonduer** data model.

Fonduer supports different file formats: CSV/TSV, TXT, HTML, and hOCR. The diagram below illustrates how files in each format are preprocessed and consumed by `Parser`. Nodes in dark blue represent original source files. You have to convert some of them into the formats that **Fonduer** can consume: a scanned document (incl. non-searchable PDF) is OCR'd and exported in hOCR, a (born-digital) PDF is converted into hOCR using tools like `pdftotree`. It is also possible to convert PDF into HTML using third-party tools, but not recommended (see *Visual Parsers*).

2.1 Multimodal Data Model

The following docs describe elements of **Fonduer**'s data model. These attributes can be used when creating *matchers*, *throttlers*, and *labeling functions*.

Fonduer's parser model module.

```
class fonduer.parser.models.Caption (**kwargs)
    Bases: fonduer.parser.models.context.Context
```

A Caption Context in a Document.

Used to represent figure or table captions in a document.

Note: As of v0.6.2, `<caption>` and `<figcaption>` tags turn into `Caption`.

A simple constructor that allows initialization from kwargs.

Sets attributes on the constructed instance using the names and values in `kwargs`.

Only keys that are present as attributes of the instance's class are allowed. These could be, for example, any mapped columns or relationships.

document
The parent `Document`.

document_id
The id of the parent `Document`.

figure
The parent `Figure`, if any.

figure_id
The id of the parent `Figure`, if any.

id
The unique id the Caption.

name
The name of a Caption.

position
The position of the Caption in the Document.

table
The parent Table, if any.

table_id
The id of the parent Table, if any.

class `fonduer.parser.models.Cell` (***kwargs*)
Bases: `fonduer.parser.models.context.Context`
A cell Context in a Document.
Used to represent the cells that comprise a table in a document.

Note: As of v0.6.2, `<th>` and `<td>` tags turn into `Cell`.

A simple constructor that allows initialization from `kwargs`.

Sets attributes on the constructed instance using the names and values in `kwargs`.

Only keys that are present as attributes of the instance's class are allowed. These could be, for example, any mapped columns or relationships.

col_end
The end index of the column in the Table the Cell is in.

col_start
The start index of the column in the Table the Cell is in.

document
The parent Document.

document_id
The id of the parent Document.

id
The unique id of the Cell.

name
The name of a Cell.

position
The position of the Cell in the Table.

row_end
The end index of the row in the Table the Cell is in.

row_start
The start index of the row in the Table the Cell is in.

table
The parent Table.

table_id
The id of the parent Table.

class `fonduer.parser.models.Context` (**kwargs)

Bases: `sqlalchemy.orm.decl_api.Base`

A piece of content from which Candidates are composed.

This serves as the base class of the Fonduer document model.

A simple constructor that allows initialization from kwargs.

Sets attributes on the constructed instance using the names and values in `kwargs`.

Only keys that are present as attributes of the instance's class are allowed. These could be, for example, any mapped columns or relationships.

id

The unique id of the `Context`.

stable_id

A stable representation of the `Context` that will not change between runs.

type

The type of the `Context` represented as a string (e.g. "sentence", "paragraph", "figure").

class `fonduer.parser.models.Document` (**kwargs)

Bases: `fonduer.parser.models.context.Context`

A document `Context`.

Represents all the information of a particular document. What becomes a document depends on which child class of `DocPreprocessor` is used.

Note: As of v0.6.2, each file is one document when `HTMLDocPreprocessor` or `TextDocPreprocessor` is used, each line in the input file is treated as one document when `CSVDocPreprocessor` or `TSVDocPreprocessor` is used.

A simple constructor that allows initialization from kwargs.

Sets attributes on the constructed instance using the names and values in `kwargs`.

Only keys that are present as attributes of the instance's class are allowed. These could be, for example, any mapped columns or relationships.

id

The unique id of a `Document`.

meta

Pickled metadata about a document extracted from a document preprocessor.

name

The filename of a `Document`, without its extension (e.g., "BC818").

text

The full text of the `Document`.

class `fonduer.parser.models.Figure` (**kwargs)

Bases: `fonduer.parser.models.context.Context`

A figure `Context` in a `Document`.

Used to represent figures in a document.

Note: As of v0.6.2, `` and `<figure>` tags turn into `Figure`.

A simple constructor that allows initialization from `kwargs`.

Sets attributes on the constructed instance using the names and values in `kwargs`.

Only keys that are present as attributes of the instance's class are allowed. These could be, for example, any mapped columns or relationships.

cell

The the parent `Cell`, if any.

cell_id

The id of the parent `Cell`, if any.

document

The parent `Document`.

document_id

The id of the parent `Document`.

id

The unique id of the `Figure`.

name

The name of a `Figure`.

position

The position of the `Figure` in the `Document`.

section

The parent `Section`.

section_id

The id of the parent `Section`.

url

The `Figure`'s URL.

class `fonduer.parser.models.Paragraph` (**kwargs)
Bases: `fonduer.parser.models.context.Context`

A paragraph `Context` in a `Document`.

Represents a grouping of adjacent sentences.

Note: As of v0.6.2, a text content in two properties `.text` and `.tail` turn into `Paragraph`. See <https://lxml.de/tutorial.html#elements-contain-text> for details about `.text` and `.tail` properties.

A simple constructor that allows initialization from `kwargs`.

Sets attributes on the constructed instance using the names and values in `kwargs`.

Only keys that are present as attributes of the instance's class are allowed. These could be, for example, any mapped columns or relationships.

caption

The parent `Caption`, if any.

caption_id

The id of the parent `Caption`, if any.

cell
The parent `Cell`, if any.

cell_id
The id of the parent `Cell`, if any.

document
The parent `Document`.

document_id
The id of the parent `Document`.

id
The unique id of the `Paragraph`.

name
The name of a `Paragraph`.

position
The position of the `Paragraph` in the `Document`.

section
The parent `Section`.

section_id
The id of the parent `Section`.

class `fonduer.parser.models.Section` (**kwargs)
Bases: `fonduer.parser.models.context.Context`
A `Section` Context in a `Document`.

Note: As of v0.6.2, each document simply has a single `Section`. Specifically, `<html>` and `<section>` tags turn into `Section`. Future parsing improvements can add better section recognition, such as the sections of an academic paper.

A simple constructor that allows initialization from kwargs.

Sets attributes on the constructed instance using the names and values in `kwargs`.

Only keys that are present as attributes of the instance's class are allowed. These could be, for example, any mapped columns or relationships.

document
The parent `Document`.

document_id
The id of the parent `Document`.

id
The unique id of the `Section`.

name
The name of a `Section`.

position
The position of the `Section` in a `Document`.

class `fonduer.parser.models.Sentence` (**kwargs)
Bases: `fonduer.parser.models.context.Context`, `fonduer.parser.models.sentence.TabularMixin`, `fonduer.parser.models.sentence.LingualMixin`, `fonduer.`

`parser.models.sentence.VisualMixin`, `fonduer.parser.models.sentence.StructuralMixin`, `fonduer.parser.models.sentence.SentenceMixin`

A Sentence subclass with `Lingual`, `Tabular`, `Visual`, and `HTML` attributes.

Note: Unlike other data models, there is no HTML element corresponding to `Sentence`. One `Paragraph` comprises one or more of `Sentence`, but how a `Paragraph` is split depends on which NLP parser (e.g., `spaCy`) is used.

A simple constructor that allows initialization from `kwargs`.

Sets attributes on the constructed instance using the names and values in `kwargs`.

Only keys that are present as attributes of the instance's class are allowed. These could be, for example, any mapped columns or relationships.

abs_char_offsets

A list of the character offsets of each word in a `Sentence`, with respect to the entire document.

bottom

List of each word's `BOTTOM` bounding box coordinate in the `Sentence`.

cell

Parent `Cell`, if any.

cell_id

Id of the parent `Cell`, if any.

char_offsets

A list of the character offsets of each word in a `Sentence`, with respect to the start of the sentence.

col_end

`col_end` of the parent `Cell`, if any.

col_start

`col_start` of the parent `Cell`, if any.

dep_labels

List of dependency labels for each word in a `Sentence`.

dep_parents

List of the dependency parents for each word in a `Sentence`.

document

The the parent `Document`.

document_id

The id of the parent `Document`.

get_bbox()

Get the bounding box.

Return type `Bbox`

html_attrs

List of the html attributes of the element containing the `Sentence`.

html_tag

HTML tag of the element containing the `Sentence`.

id

The unique id for the `Sentence`.

is_cellular()

Whether or not the Sentence contains information about its table cell.

Return type bool

is_lingual()

Whether or not the Sentence contains NLP information.

Return type bool

is_structural()

Whether or not the Sentence contains structural information.

Return type bool

is_tabular()

Whether or not the Sentence contains tabular information.

Return type bool

is_visual()

Whether or not the Sentence contains visual information.

Return type bool

left

List of each word's LEFT bounding box coordinate in the Sentence.

lemmas

List of the lemmas for each word in a Sentence.

name

The name of a Sentence.

ner_tags

List of NER tags for each word in a Sentence.

page

List of the page index of each word in the Sentence.

Page indexes start at 1.

paragraph

The parent Paragraph.

paragraph_id

The id of the parent Paragraph.

pos_tags

List of POS tags for each word in a Sentence.

position

The position of the Sentence in the Document.

right

List of each word's RIGHT bounding box coordinate in the Sentence.

row_end

row_end of the parent Cell, if any.

row_start

row_start of the parent Cell, if any.

section

The parent Section.

section_id

The id of the parent `Section`.

table

Parent `Table`, if any.

table_id

Id of the parent `Table`, if any.

text

The full text of the `Sentence`.

top

List of each word's TOP bounding box coordinate in the `Sentence`.

words

A list of the words in a `Sentence`.

xpath

HTML XPATH to the `Sentence`.

```
class fonduer.parser.models.Table (**kwargs)
    Bases: fonduer.parser.models.context.Context
    A Table Context in a Document.
    Used to represent tables found in a document.
```

Note: As of v0.6.2, `<table>` tags turn into `Table`.

A simple constructor that allows initialization from `kwargs`.

Sets attributes on the constructed instance using the names and values in `kwargs`.

Only keys that are present as attributes of the instance's class are allowed. These could be, for example, any mapped columns or relationships.

document

The parent `Document`.

document_id

The id of the parent `Document`.

id

The unique id of the `Table`.

name

The name of a `Table`.

position

The position of the `Table` in the `Document`.

section

The parent `Section`.

section_id

The id of the parent `Section`.

```
class fonduer.parser.models.Webpage (**kwargs)
    Bases: fonduer.parser.models.context.Context
    A Webpage Context enhanced with additional metadata.
```

A simple constructor that allows initialization from kwargs.

Sets attributes on the constructed instance using the names and values in `kwargs`.

Only keys that are present as attributes of the instance's class are allowed. These could be, for example, any mapped columns or relationships.

crawltime

The timestamp of when the `Webpage` was crawled.

host

The host of the `Webpage`.

id

The unique id of the `Webpage`.

name

The name of a `Webpage`.

page_type

The type of the `Webpage`.

raw_content

The raw content of the `Webpage`.

url

The URL of the `Webpage`.

2.2 Core Objects

This is Fonduer's core Parser object.

Fonduer's parser module.

```
class fonduer.parser.Parser(session, parallelism=1, structural=True, blacklist=['style',
                                'script'], flatten=['span', 'br'], language='en', lingual=True, lingual_parser=None,
                                strip=True, replacements=[(['-----'], '-')],
                                tabular=True, visual_parser=None)
```

Bases: `fonduer.utils.udf.UDFRunner`

Parses into documents into Fonduer's Data Model.

Parameters

- **session** (`Session`) – The database session to use.
- **parallelism** (`int`) – The number of processes to use in parallel. Default 1.
- **structural** (`bool`) – Whether to parse structural information from a DOM.
- **blacklist** (`List[str]`) – A list of tag types to ignore. Default ["style", "script"].
- **flatten** (`List[str]`) – A list of tag types to flatten. Default ["span", "br"]
- **language** (`str`) – Which spaCy NLP language package. Default "en".
- **lingual** (`bool`) – Whether or not to include NLP information. Default True.
- **lingual_parser** (`Optional[LingualParser]`) – A custom lingual parser that inherits `LingualParser`. When specified, `language` will be ignored. When not, `Spacy` with `language` will be used.
- **strip** (`bool`) – Whether or not to strip whitespace during parsing. Default True.

- **replacements** (`List[Tuple[str, str]]`) – A list of tuples where the regex string in the first position is replaced by the character in the second position. Default `[(u"[u2010u2011u2012u2013u2014u2212]", “-“)]`, which replaces various unicode variants of a hyphen (e.g. emdash, endash, minus, etc.) with a standard ASCII hyphen.
- **tabular** (`bool`) – Whether to include tabular information in the parse.
- **visual_parser** (`Optional[VisualParser]`) – A visual parser that parses visual information. Defaults to `None` (visual information is not parsed).

Initialize Parser.

apply (*doc_loader*, *clear=True*, *parallelism=None*, *progress_bar=True*)
Run the Parser.

Parameters

- **doc_loader** (`Collection[Document]`) – An iterable of `Documents` to parse. Typically, one of Fonduer’s document preprocessors.
- **clear** (`bool`) – Whether or not to clear the labels table before applying these LFs.
- **parallelism** (`Optional[int]`) – How many threads to use for extraction. This will override the `parallelism` value used to initialize the `Labeler` if it is provided.
- **progress_bar** (`bool`) – Whether or not to display a progress bar. The progress bar is measured per document.

Return type `None`

clear ()
Clear all of the `Context` objects in the database.

Return type `None`

get_documents ()
Return all the successfully parsed `Documents` in the database.

Return type `List[Document]`

Returns A list of all `Documents` in the database ordered by name.

get_last_documents ()
Return the most recently successfully parsed list of `Documents`.

Return type `List[Document]`

Returns A list of the most recently parsed `Documents` ordered by name.

last_docs: `Set[str]`
The last set of documents that `apply()` was called on

2.3 Lingual Parsers

The following docs describe various lingual parsers. They split text into sentences and enrich them with NLP.

Fonduer’s lingual parser module.

```
class fonduer.parser.lingual_parser.LingualParser
    Bases: object
    Lingual parser.
```

enrich_sentences_with_NLP (*sentences*)

Add NLP attributes like lemmas, pos_tags, etc. to sentences.

Parameters **sentences** (Collection[*Sentence*]) – a iterator of *Sentence*.

Return type Iterator[*Sentence*]

Returns a generator of *Sentence*.

has_NLP_support ()

Return True when NLP is supported.

Return type bool

Returns True when NLP is supported.

has_tokenizer_support ()

Return True when a tokenizer is supported.

Return type bool

Returns True when a tokenizer is supported.

split_sentences (*text*)

Split input text into sentences.

Parameters **text** (str) – text to be split

Return type Iterable[dict]

Returns A generator of dict that is used as ***kwargs* to instantiate *Sentence*.

class fonduer.parser.lingual_parser.**SimpleParser** (*delim=''*)

Bases: fonduer.parser.lingual_parser.lingual_parser.LingualParser

Tokenizes text on whitespace only using split().

Parameters **delim** (str) – a delimiter to split text into sentences.

Initialize SimpleParser.

enrich_sentences_with_NLP (*sentences*)

Add NLP attributes like lemmas, pos_tags, etc. to sentences.

Parameters **sentences** (Collection[*Sentence*]) – a iterator of *Sentence*.

Return type Iterator[*Sentence*]

Returns a generator of *Sentence*.

has_NLP_support ()

Return True when NLP is supported.

Return type bool

Returns True when NLP is supported.

has_tokenizer_support ()

Return True when a tokenizer is supported.

Return type bool

Returns True when a tokenizer is supported.

split_sentences (*str*)

Parse the document.

Parameters **str** (str) – The text contents of the document.

Return type Iterator[Dict[str, Any]]

Returns a *generator* of tokenized text.

class `fonduer.parser.lingual_parser.SpacyParser` (*lang*)

Bases: `fonduer.parser.lingual_parser.lingual_parser.LingualParser`

Spacy parser class.

Parameters `lang` (Optional[str]) – Language. This can be one of ["en", "de", "es", "pt", "fr", "it", "nl", "xx", "ja", "zh"]. See [here](#) for details of languages supported by spaCy.

Initialize SpacyParser.

enrich_sentences_with_NLP (*sentences*)

Enrich a list of fonduer Sentence objects with NLP features.

We merge and process the text of all Sentences for higher efficiency.

Parameters `sentences` (Collection[Sentence]) – List of fonduer Sentence objects for one document

Return type Iterator[Sentence]

Returns

has_NLP_support ()

Return True when NLP is supported.

Return type bool

Returns True when NLP is supported.

has_tokenizer_support ()

Return True when a tokenizer is supported.

Return type bool

Returns True when a tokenizer is supported.

static model_installed (*name*)

Check if spaCy language model is installed.

From <https://github.com/explosion/spaCy/blob/master/spacy/util.py>

Parameters `name` (str) –

Return type bool

Returns

split_sentences (*text*)

Split text into sentences.

Split input text into sentences that match CoreNLP's default format, but are not yet processed.

Parameters `text` (str) – The text of the parent paragraph of the sentences

Return type Iterator[Dict[str, Any]]

Returns

2.4 Visual Parsers

The following docs describe various visual parsers. They parse visual information, e.g., bounding boxes of each word. Fonduer can parse visual information only for hOCR and HTML files with help of `HocrVisualParser` and `PdfVisualParser`, respectively. It is recommended to provide documents in hOCR instead of HTML, because `PdfVisualParser` is not always accurate by its nature and could assign a wrong bounding box to a word. (see #12). Fonduer’s visual parser module.

```
class fonduer.parser.visual_parser.HocrVisualParser (replacements=[(['--——'], '-')])
    Bases: fonduer.parser.visual_parser.visual_parser.VisualParser
```

Visual Parser for hOCR.

Initialize a visual parser.

Raises ImportError – an error is raised when spaCy is not 2.3.0 or later.

```
is_parsable (document_name)
```

Whether visual information can be parsed. Currently always return True.

Parameters `document_name` (str) – the document name.

Return type bool

```
parse (document_name, sentences)
```

Parse visual information embedded in sentence’s `html_attrs`.

Parameters

- `document_name` (str) – the document name.
- `sentences` (Iterable[Sentence]) – sentences to be linked with visual information.

Return type Iterator[Sentence]

Returns A generator of Sentence.

```
class fonduer.parser.visual_parser.PdfVisualParser (pdf_path, verbose=False)
```

Bases: `fonduer.parser.visual_parser.visual_parser.VisualParser`

Link visual information, extracted from PDF, with parsed sentences.

This linker assumes the following conditions for expected results:

- The PDF file exists in a directory specified by `pdf_path`.
- The basename of the PDF file is same as the `document name` and its extension is either “.pdf” or “.PDF”.
- A PDF has a text layer.

Initialize VisualParser.

Parameters

- `pdf_path` (str) – a path to directory that contains PDF files.
- `verbose` (bool) – whether to turn on verbose logging.

```
is_parsable (document_name)
```

Verify that the file exists and has a PDF extension.

Parameters `document_name` (str) – The path to the PDF document.

Return type bool

```
parse (document_name, sentences)
```

Link visual information with sentences.

Parameters

- **document_name** (*str*) – the document name.
- **sentences** (*Iterable[Sentence]*) – sentences to be linked with visual information.

Return type *Iterator[Sentence]***Returns** A generator of *Sentence*.**class** `fonduer.parser.visual_parser.VisualParser`Bases: `abc.ABC`

Abstract visual parser.

abstract is_parsable (*document_name*)

Check if visual information can be parsed.

Parameters **document_name** (*str*) – the document name.**Return type** `bool`**Returns** Whether visual information is parsable.**abstract parse** (*document_name, sentences*)

Parse visual information and link them with given sentences.

Parameters

- **document_name** (*str*) – the document name.
- **sentences** (*Iterable[Sentence]*) – sentences to be linked with visual information.

Yield sentences with visual information.**Return type** *Iterator[Sentence]*

2.5 Preprocessors

The following shows descriptions of the various document preprocessors included with `Fonduer` which are used in parsing documents of different formats.

`Fonduer`'s parser preprocessor module.

```
class fonduer.parser.preprocessors.CSVDocPreprocessor (path, encoding='utf-8',  
                                                    max_docs=9223372036854775807,  
                                                    header=False, delim='',  
                                                    parser_rule=None)
```

Bases: `fonduer.parser.preprocessors.doc_preprocessor.DocPreprocessor`

A Document generator for CVS files.

It treats each line in the input file as a `Document`. It assumes that each column is one `Section` and content in each column as one `Paragraph` by default. However, if the column is complex, an advanced parser may be used by specifying `parser_rule` parameter in a dict format where key is the column index and value is the specific parser, e.g., `column_constructor` in `fonduer.utils.utils_parser`.

Initialize `CSV DocPreprocessor`.

Parameters

- **path** (*str*) – a path to file or directory, or a glob pattern. The basename (as returned by `os.path.basename`) should be unique among all files.

- **encoding** (*str*) – file encoding to use (e.g. “utf-8”).
- **max_docs** (*int*) – the maximum number of `Documents` to produce.
- **header** (*bool*) – if the CSV file contain header or not, if yes, the header will be used as Section name. default = False
- **delim** (*str*) – delimiter to be used to separate columns when file has more than one column. It is active only when `column` is not `None`. default=',’
- **parser_rule** (`Optional[Dict[int, Callable]]`) – The parser rule to be used to parse the specific column. default = None

Returns A generator of `Documents`.

```
class fonduer.parser.preprocessors.DocPreprocessor (path, encoding='utf-8',
max_docs=9223372036854775807)
```

Bases: `object`

An abstract class of a `Document` generator.

Unless otherwise stated by a subclass, it’s assumed that there is one `Document` per file.

Initialize `DocPreprocessor`.

Parameters

- **path** (*str*) – a path to file or directory, or a glob pattern. The `basename` (as returned by `os.path.basename`) should be unique among all files.
- **encoding** (*str*) – file encoding to use, defaults to “utf-8”.
- **max_docs** (*int*) – the maximum number of `Documents` to produce, defaults to `sys.maxsize`.

Returns A generator of `Documents`.

```
class fonduer.parser.preprocessors.HOCRDocPreprocessor (path, encoding='utf-8',
max_docs=9223372036854775807,
space=True)
```

Bases: `fonduer.parser.preprocessors.doc_preprocessor.DocPreprocessor`

A `Document` generator for hOCR files.

hOCR should comply with [hOCR v1.2](#). Note that `ppageno` property of `ocr_page` is optional by [hOCR v1.2](#), but is required by Fonduer.

Initialize `HOCRDocPreprocessor`.

Parameters

- **path** (*str*) – a path to file or directory, or a glob pattern. The `basename` (as returned by `os.path.basename`) should be unique among all files.
- **encoding** (*str*) – file encoding to use, defaults to “utf-8”.
- **max_docs** (*int*) – the maximum number of `Documents` to produce, defaults to `sys.maxsize`.
- **space** (*bool*) – boolean value indicating whether each word should have a subsequent space. E.g., English has spaces between words.

Returns A generator of `Documents`.

```
class fonduer.parser.preprocessors.HTMLDocPreprocessor (path, encoding='utf-8',
max_docs=9223372036854775807)
```

Bases: `fonduer.parser.preprocessors.doc_preprocessor.DocPreprocessor`

A Document generator for HTML files.

Initialize DocPreprocessor.

Parameters

- **path** (*str*) – a path to file or directory, or a glob pattern. The `basename` (as returned by `os.path.basename`) should be unique among all files.
- **encoding** (*str*) – file encoding to use, defaults to “utf-8”.
- **max_docs** (*int*) – the maximum number of `Documents` to produce, defaults to `sys.maxsize`.

Returns A generator of `Documents`.

```
class fonduer.parser.preprocessors.TSVDocPreprocessor (path, encoding='utf-8',  
                                                    max_docs=9223372036854775807,  
                                                    header=False)
```

Bases: `fonduer.parser.preprocessors.doc_preprocessor.DocPreprocessor`

A Document generator for TSV files.

It treats each line in the input file as a `Document`. The TSV file should have one (`doc_name <tab> doc_text`) per line.

Initialize TSV DocPreprocessor.

Parameters

- **path** (*str*) – a path to file or directory, or a glob pattern. The `basename` (as returned by `os.path.basename`) should be unique among all files.
- **encoding** (*str*) – file encoding to use (e.g. “utf-8”).
- **max_docs** (*int*) – the maximum number of `Documents` to produce.
- **header** (*bool*) – if the TSV file contain header or not. default = `False`

Returns A generator of `Documents`.

```
class fonduer.parser.preprocessors.TextDocPreprocessor (path, encoding='utf-8',  
                                                    max_docs=9223372036854775807)
```

Bases: `fonduer.parser.preprocessors.doc_preprocessor.DocPreprocessor`

A Document generator for plain text files.

Initialize DocPreprocessor.

Parameters

- **path** (*str*) – a path to file or directory, or a glob pattern. The `basename` (as returned by `os.path.basename`) should be unique among all files.
- **encoding** (*str*) – file encoding to use, defaults to “utf-8”.
- **max_docs** (*int*) – the maximum number of `Documents` to produce, defaults to `sys.maxsize`.

Returns A generator of `Documents`.

DATA MODEL UTILITIES

This page shows descriptions of the utility functions included with `Fonduer` which can be used to label candidates based on textual, structural, tabular, and visual information. We group each data model utility based on the modality of information that they leverage.

3.1 General Data Model Utilities

Fonduer data model utils.

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.utils.get_matches` (*lf*, *candidate_set*, *match_values*=[1, -1])

Return a list of candidates that are matched by a particular LF.

A simple helper function to see how many matches (non-zero by default) an LF gets.

Parameters

- **lf** (Callable) – The labeling function to apply to the *candidate_set*
- **candidate_set** (Set[Candidate]) – The set of candidates to evaluate
- **match_values** (List[int]) – An option list of the values to consider as matched. [1, -1] by default.

Return type List[Candidate]

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.utils.is_superset` (*a*, *b*)

Check if *a* is a superset of *b*.

This is typically used to check if ALL of a list of sentences is in the ngrams returned by an `lf_helper`.

Parameters

- **a** (Iterable) – A collection of items
- **b** (Iterable) – A collection of items

Return type bool

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.utils.overlap` (*a*, *b*)

Check if *a* overlaps *b*.

This is typically used to check if ANY of a list of sentences is in the ngrams returned by an `lf_helper`.

Parameters

- **a** (Iterable) – A collection of items

- **b**(Iterable) – A collection of items

Return type bool

3.2 Textual Data Model Utilities

Fonduer textual modality utilities.

```
fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.textual.get_between_ngrams(c, attrib='words',  
                                                         n_min=1, n_max=1,  
                                                         lower=True)
```

Return the ngrams *between* two unary Mentions of a binary-Mention Candidate.

Get the ngrams *between* two unary Mentions of a binary-Mention Candidate, where both share the same sentence Context.

Parameters

- **c** (Candidate) – The binary-Mention Candidate to evaluate.
- **attrib** (str) – The token attribute type (e.g. words, lemmas, poses)
- **n_min** (int) – The minimum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **n_max** (int) – The maximum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **lower** (bool) – If ‘True’, all ngrams will be returned in lower case

Return type Iterator[str]

```
fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.textual.get_left_ngrams(mention, window=3, at-  
trib='words', n_min=1,  
n_max=1, lower=True)
```

Get the ngrams within a window to the *left* from the sentence Context.

For higher-arity Candidates, defaults to the *first* argument.

Parameters

- **mention** (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Men-
tion to evaluate. If a candidate is given, default to its first Mention.
- **window** (int) – The number of tokens to the left of the first argument to return.
- **attrib** (str) – The token attribute type (e.g. words, lemmas, poses)
- **n_min** (int) – The minimum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **n_max** (int) – The maximum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **lower** (bool) – If True, all ngrams will be returned in lower case

Return type Iterator[str]

```
fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.textual.get_neighbor_sentence_ngrams(mention,  
d=1, at-  
trib='words',  
n_min=1,  
n_max=1,  
lower=True)
```

Get the ngrams that are in the neighboring Sentences of the given Mention.

Note that if a candidate is passed in, all of its Mentions will be searched.

Parameters

- **mention** (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention whose neighbor Sentences are being searched
- **attrib** (str) – The token attribute type (e.g. words, lemmas, poses)
- **n_min** (int) – The minimum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **n_max** (int) – The maximum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **lower** (bool) – If True, all ngrams will be returned in lower case

Return type Iterator[str]

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.textual.get_right_ngrams(mention, window=3, attrib='words', n_min=1, n_max=1, lower=True)`

Get the ngrams within a window to the *right* from the sentence Context.

For higher-arity Candidates, defaults to the *last* argument.

Parameters

- **mention** (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention to evaluate. If a candidate is given, default to its last Mention.
- **window** (int) – The number of tokens to the left of the first argument to return
- **attrib** (str) – The token attribute type (e.g. words, lemmas, poses)
- **n_min** (int) – The minimum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **n_max** (int) – The maximum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **lower** (bool) – If True, all ngrams will be returned in lower case

Return type Iterator[str]

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.textual.get_sentence_ngrams(mention, attrib='words', n_min=1, n_max=1, lower=True)`

Get the ngrams that are in the Sentence of the given Mention, not including itself.

Note that if a candidate is passed in, all of its Mentions will be searched.

Parameters

- **mention** (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention whose Sentence is being searched
- **attrib** (str) – The token attribute type (e.g. words, lemmas, poses)
- **n_min** (int) – The minimum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **n_max** (int) – The maximum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **lower** (bool) – If True, all ngrams will be returned in lower case

Return type Iterator[str]

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.textual.same_sentence(c)`

Return True if all Mentions in the given candidate are from the same Sentence.

Parameters **c** (Candidate) – The candidate whose Mentions are being compared**Return type** bool

3.3 Structural Data Model Utilities

Fonduer structural modality utilities.

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.structural.common_ancestor(c)`

Return the path to the root that is shared between a multinary-Mention Candidate.

In particular, this is the common path of HTML tags.

Parameters `c` (Tuple[SpanMention, ...]) – The multinary-Mention Candidate to evaluate

Return type List[str]

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.structural.get_ancestor_class_names(mention)`

Return the HTML classes of the Mention's ancestors.

If a candidate is passed in, only the ancestors of its first Mention are returned.

Parameters `mention` (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention to evaluate

Return type List[str]

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.structural.get_ancestor_id_names(mention)`

Return the HTML id's of the Mention's ancestors.

If a candidate is passed in, only the ancestors of its first Mention are returned.

Parameters `mention` (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention to evaluate

Return type List[str]

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.structural.get_ancestor_tag_names(mention)`

Return the HTML tag of the Mention's ancestors.

For example, ['html', 'body', 'p']. If a candidate is passed in, only the ancestors of its first Mention are returned.

Parameters `mention` (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention to evaluate

Return type List[str]

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.structural.get_attributes(mention)`

Return the HTML attributes of the Mention.

If a candidate is passed in, only the tag of its first Mention is returned.

A sample outout of this function on a Mention in a paragraph tag is [u'style=padding-top: 8pt;padding-left: 20pt;text-indent: 0pt;text-align: left;']

Parameters `mention` (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention to evaluate

Return type List[str]

Returns list of strings representing HTML attributes

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.structural.get_next_sibling_tags(mention)`

Return the HTML tag of the Mention's next siblings.

Next siblings are Mentions which are at the same level in the HTML tree as the given mention, but are declared after the given mention. If a candidate is passed in, only the next siblings of its last Mention are considered in the calculation.

Parameters `mention` (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention to evaluate

Return type List[str]

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.structural.get_parent_tag(mention)`

Return the HTML tag of the Mention's parent.

These may be tags such as 'p', 'h2', 'table', 'div', etc. If a candidate is passed in, only the tag of its first Mention is returned.

Parameters `mention` (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention to evaluate

Return type Optional[str]

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.structural.get_prev_sibling_tags(mention)`

Return the HTML tag of the Mention's previous siblings.

Previous siblings are Mentions which are at the same level in the HTML tree as the given mention, but are declared before the given mention. If a candidate is passed in, only the previous siblings of its first Mention are considered in the calculation.

Parameters `mention` (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention to evaluate

Return type List[str]

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.structural.get_tag(mention)`

Return the HTML tag of the Mention.

If a candidate is passed in, only the tag of its first Mention is returned.

These may be tags such as 'p', 'h2', 'table', 'div', etc.

Parameters `mention` (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention to evaluate

Return type str

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.structural.lowest_common_ancestor_depth(c)`

Return the lowest common ancestor depth.

In particular, return the minimum distance between a multinary-Mention Candidate to their lowest common ancestor.

For example, if the tree looked like this:

```
html
├──<div> Mention 1 </div>
├──table
│   ├──tr
│   │   └──<th> Mention 2 </th>
```

we return 1, the distance from Mention 1 to the html root. Smaller values indicate that two Mentions are close structurally, while larger values indicate that two Mentions are spread far apart structurally in the document.

Parameters `c` (Tuple[SpanMention, ...]) – The multinary-Mention Candidate to evaluate

Return type int

3.4 Tabular Data Model Utilities

Fonduer tabular modality utilities.

```
fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.tabular.get_aligned_ngrams (mention, attrib='words',
                                                         n_min=1,    n_max=1,
                                                         spread=[0,    0],
                                                         lower=True)
```

Get the ngrams from all Cells in the same row or column as the given Mention.

Note that if a candidate is passed in, all of its Mentions will be searched. Also note that if the mention is not tabular, nothing will be yielded.

Parameters

- **mention** (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention whose row and column Cells are being searched
- **attrib** (str) – The token attribute type (e.g. words, lemmas, poses)
- **n_min** (int) – The minimum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **n_max** (int) – The maximum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **spread** (List[int]) – The number of rows/cols above/below/left/right to also consider “aligned”.
- **lower** (bool) – If True, all ngrams will be returned in lower case

Return type Iterator[str]

```
fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.tabular.get_cell_ngrams (mention,    attrib='words',
                                                         n_min=1,    n_max=1,
                                                         lower=True)
```

Get the ngrams that are in the Cell of the given mention, not including itself.

Note that if a candidate is passed in, all of its Mentions will be searched. Also note that if the mention is not tabular, nothing will be yielded.

Parameters

- **mention** (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention whose Cell is being searched
- **attrib** (str) – The token attribute type (e.g. words, lemmas, poses)
- **n_min** (int) – The minimum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **n_max** (int) – The maximum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **lower** (bool) – If True, all ngrams will be returned in lower case

Return type Iterator[str]

```
fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.tabular.get_col_ngrams (mention,    attrib='words',
                                                         n_min=1,    n_max=1,
                                                         spread=[0, 0], lower=True)
```

Get the ngrams from all Cells that are in the same column as the given Mention.

Note that if a candidate is passed in, all of its Mentions will be searched. Also note that if the mention is not tabular, nothing will be yielded.

Parameters

- **mention** (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention whose column Cells are being searched
- **attrib** (str) – The token attribute type (e.g. words, lemmas, poses)
- **n_min** (int) – The minimum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **n_max** (int) – The maximum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **spread** (List[int]) – The number of cols left and right to also consider “aligned”.
- **lower** (bool) – If True, all ngrams will be returned in lower case

Return type Iterator[str]

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.tabular.get_head_ngrams(mention, axis=None, attrib='words', n_min=1, n_max=1, lower=True)`

Get the ngrams from the cell in the head of the row or column.

More specifically, this returns the ngrams in the leftmost cell in a row and/or the ngrams in the topmost cell in the column, depending on the axis parameter.

Note that if a candidate is passed in, all of its Mentions will be searched. Also note that if the mention is not tabular, nothing will be yielded.

Parameters

- **mention** (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention whose head Cells are being returned
- **axis** (Optional[str]) – Which axis {'row', 'col'} to search. If None, then both row and col are searched.
- **attrib** (str) – The token attribute type (e.g. words, lemmas, poses)
- **n_min** (int) – The minimum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **n_max** (int) – The maximum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **lower** (bool) – If True, all ngrams will be returned in lower case

Return type Iterator[str]

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.tabular.get_max_col_num(mention)`

Return the largest column number that a Mention occupies.

Parameters **mention** (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention to evaluate. If a candidate is given, default to its last Mention.

Return type Optional[int]

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.tabular.get_max_row_num(mention)`

Return the largest row number that a Mention occupies.

Parameters **mention** (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention to evaluate. If a candidate is given, default to its last Mention.

Return type Optional[int]

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.tabular.get_min_col_num(mention)`

Return the lowest column number that a Mention occupies.

Parameters **mention** (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention to evaluate. If a candidate is given, default to its first Mention.

Return type Optional[int]

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.tabular.get_min_row_num(mention)`

Return the lowest row number that a Mention occupies.

Parameters `mention` (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention to evaluate. If a candidate is given, default to its first Mention.

Return type Optional[int]

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.tabular.get_neighbor_cell_ngrams(mention, dist=1, directions=False, attrib='words', n_min=1, n_max=1, lower=True)`

Get ngrams from all neighbor Cells.

Get the ngrams from all Cells that are within a given Cell distance in one direction from the given Mention.

Note that if a candidate is passed in, all of its Mentions will be searched. If `directions=True`, each ngram will be returned with a direction in {'UP', 'DOWN', 'LEFT', 'RIGHT'}. Also note that if the mention is not tabular, nothing will be yielded.

Parameters

- **mention** (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention whose neighbor Cells are being searched
- **dist** (int) – The Cell distance within which a neighbor Cell must be to be considered
- **directions** (bool) – A Boolean expressing whether or not to return the direction of each ngram
- **attrib** (str) – The token attribute type (e.g. words, lemmas, poses)
- **n_min** (int) – The minimum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **n_max** (int) – The maximum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **lower** (bool) – If True, all ngrams will be returned in lower case

Return type Iterator[Union[str, Tuple[str, str]]]

Returns a generator of ngrams (or (ngram, direction) tuples if `directions=True`)

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.tabular.get_neighbor_sentence_ngrams(mention, d=1, attrib='words', n_min=1, n_max=1, lower=True)`

Get the ngrams that are in the neighboring Sentences of the given Mention.

Note that if a candidate is passed in, all of its Mentions will be searched.

Parameters

- **mention** (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention whose neighbor Sentences are being searched
- **attrib** (str) – The token attribute type (e.g. words, lemmas, poses)
- **n_min** (int) – The minimum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **n_max** (int) – The maximum n of the ngrams that should be returned

- **lower** (bool) – If True, all ngrams will be returned in lower case

Deprecated since version 0.8.3: This will be removed in 0.9.0. Use `textual.get_neighbor_sentence_ngrams()` instead

Return type Iterator[str]

```
fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.tabular.get_row_ngrams(mention, attrib='words',
                                                    n_min=1, n_max=1,
                                                    spread=[0, 0], lower=True)
```

Get the ngrams from all Cells that are in the same row as the given Mention.

Note that if a candidate is passed in, all of its Mentions will be searched. Also note that if the mention is not tabular, nothing will be yielded.

Parameters

- **mention** (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention whose row Cells are being searched
- **attrib** (str) – The token attribute type (e.g. words, lemmas, poses)
- **n_min** (int) – The minimum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **n_max** (int) – The maximum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **spread** (List[int]) – The number of rows above and below to also consider “aligned”.
- **lower** (bool) – If True, all ngrams will be returned in lower case

Return type Iterator[str]

```
fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.tabular.get_sentence_ngrams(mention, attrib='words',
                                                         n_min=1, n_max=1,
                                                         lower=True)
```

Get the ngrams that are in the Sentence of the given Mention, not including itself.

Note that if a candidate is passed in, all of its Mentions will be searched.

Parameters

- **mention** (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention whose Sentence is being searched
- **attrib** (str) – The token attribute type (e.g. words, lemmas, poses)
- **n_min** (int) – The minimum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **n_max** (int) – The maximum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **lower** (bool) – If True, all ngrams will be returned in lower case

Deprecated since version 0.8.3: This will be removed in 0.9.0. Use `textual.get_sentence_ngrams()` instead

Return type Iterator[str]

```
fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.tabular.is_tabular_aligned(c)
```

Return True if all Mentions in the given candidate are from the same Row or Col.

Parameters **c** (Candidate) – The candidate whose Mentions are being compared

Return type bool

```
fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.tabular.same_cell(c)
```

Return True if all Mentions in the given candidate are from the same Cell.

Parameters `c` (Candidate) – The candidate whose Mentions are being compared

Return type `bool`

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.tabular.same_col(c)`

Return True if all Mentions in the given candidate are from the same Col.

Parameters `c` (Candidate) – The candidate whose Mentions are being compared

Return type `bool`

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.tabular.same_row(c)`

Return True if all Mentions in the given candidate are from the same Row.

Parameters `c` (Candidate) – The candidate whose Mentions are being compared

Return type `bool`

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.tabular.same_sentence(c)`

Return True if all Mentions in the given candidate are from the same Sentence.

Parameters `c` (Candidate) – The candidate whose Mentions are being compared

Deprecated since version 0.8.3: This will be removed in 0.9.0. Use `textual.same_sentence()` instead

Return type `bool`

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.tabular.same_table(c)`

Return True if all Mentions in the given candidate are from the same Table.

Parameters `c` (Candidate) – The candidate whose Mentions are being compared

Return type `bool`

3.5 Visual Data Model Utilities

Fonduer visual modality utilities.

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.visual.get_aligned_lemmas(mention)`

Return a set of the lemmas aligned visually with the Mention.

Note that if a candidate is passed in, all of its Mentions will be searched.

Parameters `mention` (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention to evaluate.

Return type `Set[str]`

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.visual.get_horz_ngrams(mention, attrib='words', n_min=1, n_max=1, lower=True, from_sentence=True)`

Return all ngrams which are visually horizontally aligned with the Mention.

Note that if a candidate is passed in, all of its Mentions will be searched.

Parameters

- **mention** (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention to evaluate
- **attrib** (str) – The token attribute type (e.g. words, lemmas, pos_tags). This option is valid only when `from_sentence==True`.

- **n_min** (int) – The minimum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **n_max** (int) – The maximum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **lower** (bool) – If True, all ngrams will be returned in lower case
- **from_sentence** (bool) – If True, return ngrams of any Sentence that is horizontally aligned (in the same page) with the mention's Sentence. If False, return ngrams that are horizontally aligned with the mention no matter which Sentence they are from.

Return type Iterator[str]

Returns a generator of ngrams

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.visual.get_page(mention)`

Return the page number of the given mention.

If a candidate is passed in, this returns the page of its first Mention.

Parameters **mention** (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention to get the page number of.

Return type int

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.visual.get_page_horz_percentile(mention, page_width=612, page_height=792)`

Return which percentile from the LEFT in the page the Mention is located in.

Percentile is calculated where the left of the page is 0.0, and the right of the page is 1.0.

Page width and height are based on pt values:

Letter	612x792
Tabloid	792x1224
Ledger	1224x792
Legal	612x1008
Statement	396x612
Executive	540x720
A0	2384x3371
A1	1685x2384
A2	1190x1684
A3	842x1190
A4	595x842
A4Small	595x842
A5	420x595
B4	729x1032
B5	516x729
Folio	612x936
Quarto	610x780
10x14	720x1008

and should match the source documents. Letter size is used by default.

Note that if a candidate is passed in, only the vertical percentile of its first Mention is returned.

Parameters

- **mention** (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention to evaluate
- **page_width** (int) – The width of the page. Default to Letter paper width.
- **page_height** (int) – The height of the page. Default to Letter paper height.

Return type float

```
fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.visual.get_page_vert_percentile(mention,
                                                                page_width=612,
                                                                page_height=792)
```

Return which percentile from the TOP in the page the Mention is located in.

Percentile is calculated where the top of the page is 0.0, and the bottom of the page is 1.0. For example, a Mention in at the top 1/4 of the page will have a percentile of 0.25.

Page width and height are based on pt values:

Letter	612x792
Tabloid	792x1224
Ledger	1224x792
Legal	612x1008
Statement	396x612
Executive	540x720
A0	2384x3371
A1	1685x2384
A2	1190x1684
A3	842x1190
A4	595x842
A4Small	595x842
A5	420x595
B4	729x1032
B5	516x729
Folio	612x936
Quarto	610x780
10x14	720x1008

and should match the source documents. Letter size is used by default.

Note that if a candidate is passed in, only the vertical percentil of its first Mention is returned.

Parameters

- **mention** (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention to evaluate
- **page_width** (int) – The width of the page. Default to Letter paper width.
- **page_height** (int) – The heigh of the page. Default to Letter paper height.

Return type float

```
fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.visual.get_vert_ngrams(mention,
                                                       attrib='words',
                                                       n_min=1,
                                                       n_max=1,
                                                       lower=True,
                                                       from_sentence=True)
```

Return all ngrams which are visually vertically aligned with the Mention.

Note that if a candidate is passed in, all of its Mentions will be searched.

Parameters

- **mention** (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention to evaluate
- **attrib** (str) – The token attribute type (e.g. words, lemmas, pos_tags). This option is valid only when `from_sentence==True`.
- **n_min** (int) – The minimum n of the ngrams that should be returned

- **n_max** (int) – The maximum n of the ngrams that should be returned
- **lower** (bool) – If True, all ngrams will be returned in lower case
- **from_sentence** (bool) – If True, return ngrams of any Sentence that is vertically aligned (in the same page) with the mention’s Sentence. If False, return ngrams that are vertically aligned with the mention no matter which Sentence they are from.

Return type Iterator[str]

Returns a generator of ngrams

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.visual.get_vert_ngrams_center(c)`
Not implemented.

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.visual.get_vert_ngrams_left(c)`
Not implemented.

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.visual.get_vert_ngrams_right(c)`
Not implemented.

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.visual.get_visual_aligned_lemmas(mention)`
Return a generator of the lemmas aligned visually with the Mention.

Note that if a candidate is passed in, all of its Mentions will be searched.

Parameters *mention* (Union[Candidate, Mention, TemporarySpanMention]) – The Mention to evaluate.

Return type Iterator[str]

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.visual.get_visual_distance(c, axis=None)`
Not implemented.

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.visual.get_visual_header_ngrams(c, axis=None)`
Not implemented.

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.visual.is_horz_aligned(c)`
Return True if all the components of *c* are horizontally aligned.

Horizontal alignment means that the bounding boxes of each Mention of *c* shares a similar y-axis value in the visual rendering of the document.

Parameters *c* (Candidate) – The candidate to evaluate

Return type bool

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.visual.is_vert_aligned(c)`
Return true if all the components of *c* are vertically aligned.

Vertical alignment means that the bounding boxes of each Mention of *c* shares a similar x-axis value in the visual rendering of the document.

Parameters *c* (Candidate) – The candidate to evaluate

Return type bool

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.visual.is_vert_aligned_center(c)`
Return true if all the components are vertically aligned on their center.

Vertical alignment means that the bounding boxes of each Mention of *c* shares a similar x-axis value in the visual rendering of the document. In this function the similarity of the x-axis value is based on the center of their bounding boxes.

Parameters *c* (Candidate) – The candidate to evaluate

Return type bool

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.visual.is_vert_aligned_left(c)`

Return true if all components are vertically aligned on their left border.

Vertical alignment means that the bounding boxes of each Mention of `c` shares a similar x-axis value in the visual rendering of the document. In this function the similarity of the x-axis value is based on the left border of their bounding boxes.

Parameters `c` (Candidate) – The candidate to evaluate

Return type bool

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.visual.is_vert_aligned_right(c)`

Return true if all components vertically aligned on their right border.

Vertical alignment means that the bounding boxes of each Mention of `c` shares a similar x-axis value in the visual rendering of the document. In this function the similarity of the x-axis value is based on the right border of their bounding boxes.

Parameters `c` (Candidate) – The candidate to evaluate

Return type bool

`fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.visual.same_page(c)`

Return true if all the components of `c` are on the same page of the document.

Page numbers are based on the PDF rendering of the document. If a PDF file is provided, it is used. Otherwise, if only a HTML/XML document is provided, a PDF is created and then used to determine the page number of a Mention.

Parameters `c` (Candidate) – The candidate to evaluate

Return type bool

CANDIDATE EXTRACTION

The second stage of `Fonduer`'s pipeline is to extract Mentions and Candidates from the data model.

4.1 Candidate Model Classes

The following describes elements of used for Mention and Candidate extraction.

`Fonduer`'s candidate model module.

```
class fonduer.candidates.models.Candidate (**kwargs)
```

```
    Bases: sqlalchemy.orm.decl_api.Base
```

An abstract candidate relation.

New relation types should be defined by calling `candidate_subclass()`, **not** subclassing this class directly.

A simple constructor that allows initialization from `kwargs`.

Sets attributes on the constructed instance using the names and values in `kwargs`.

Only keys that are present as attributes of the instance's class are allowed. These could be, for example, any mapped columns or relationships.

```
get_mentions ()
```

```
    Get a tuple of the constituent Mentions making up this Candidate.
```

```
        Return type Tuple[Mention, ...]
```

```
id
```

```
    The unique id for the Candidate.
```

```
split
```

```
    Which split the Candidate belongs to. Used to organize train/dev/test.
```

```
type
```

```
    The type for the Candidate, which corresponds to the names the user gives to the candidate_subclasses.
```

```
class fonduer.candidates.models.CaptionMention (tc)
```

```
    Bases: fonduer.parser.models.context.Context, fonduer.candidates.models.  
caption_mention.TemporaryCaptionMention
```

A caption `Mention`.

Initialize `CaptionMention`.

```
caption
```

```
    The parent Caption.
```

caption_id

The id of the parent `Caption`.

get_stable_id()

Return a stable id.

Return type `str`

id

The unique id of the `CaptionMention`.

class `fonduer.candidates.models.CellMention` (*tc*)

Bases: `fonduer.parser.models.context.Context`, `fonduer.candidates.models.cell_mention.TemporaryCellMention`

A `cell Mention`.

Initialize `CellMention`.

cell

The parent `Cell`.

cell_id

The id of the parent `Cell`.

get_stable_id()

Return a stable id.

Return type `str`

id

The unique id of the `CellMention`.

class `fonduer.candidates.models.DocumentMention` (*tc*)

Bases: `fonduer.parser.models.context.Context`, `fonduer.candidates.models.document_mention.TemporaryDocumentMention`

A `document Mention`.

Initialize `DocumentMention`.

document

The parent `Document`.

document_id

The id of the parent `Document`.

get_stable_id()

Return a stable id.

Return type `str`

id

The unique id of the `DocumentMention`.

class `fonduer.candidates.models.FigureMention` (*tc*)

Bases: `fonduer.parser.models.context.Context`, `fonduer.candidates.models.figure_mention.TemporaryFigureMention`

A `figure Mention`.

Initialize `FigureMention`.

figure

The parent `Figure`.

figure_id

The id of the parent `Figure`.

get_stable_id()

Return a stable id.

Return type `str`

id

The unique id of the `FigureMention`.

class `fonduer.candidates.models.ImplicitSpanMention` (*tc*)

Bases: `fonduer.parser.models.context.Context`, `fonduer.candidates.models.implicit_span_mention.TemporaryImplicitSpanMention`

A span of characters that may not appear verbatim in the source text.

It is identified by Context id, character-index start and end (inclusive), as well as a key representing what ‘expander’ function drew the `ImplicitSpanMention` from an existing `SpanMention`, and a position (where position=0 corresponds to the first `ImplicitSpanMention` produced from the expander function).

The character-index start and end point to the segment of text that was expanded to produce the `ImplicitSpanMention`.

Initialize `ImplicitSpanMention`.

char_end

The ending character-index of the `ImplicitSpanMention` (inclusive).

char_start

The starting character-index of the `ImplicitSpanMention`.

dep_labels

A list of the dependency labels for each word in the `ImplicitSpanMention`.

dep_parents

A list of the dependency parents for each word in the `ImplicitSpanMention`.

get_attrib_span (*a*, *sep=""*)

Get the span of sentence attribute *a*.

Intuitively, like calling:

```
sep.join(implicit_span.a)
```

Parameters

- **a** (`str`) – The attribute to get a span for.
- **sep** (`str`) – The separator to use for the join, or to be removed from text if `a="words"`.

Return type `str`

Returns The joined tokens, or text if `a="words"`.

get_attrib_tokens (*a='words'*)

Get the tokens of sentence attribute *a*.

Intuitively, like calling:

```
implicit_span.a
```

Parameters **a** (`str`) – The attribute to get tokens for.

Return type `List`

Returns The tokens of sentence attribute defined by *a* for the span.

get_bbox()

Get the bounding box.

Return type `Bbox`

get_num_words()

Get the number of words in the span.

Return type `int`

Returns The number of words in the span (n of the ngrams).

get_span()

Return the text of the `Span`.

Return type `str`

Returns The text of the `Span`.

get_stable_id()

Return a stable id.

Return type `str`

get_word_end_index()

Get the index of the ending word of the span.

Return type `int`

Returns The word-index of the last word of the span.

get_word_start_index()

Get the index of the starting word of the span.

Return type `int`

Returns The word-index of the start of the span.

id

The unique id of the `ImplicitSpanMention`.

lemmas

A list of the lemmas for each word in the `ImplicitSpanMention`.

meta

Pickled metadata about the `ImplicitSpanMention`.

ner_tags

A list of the NER tags for each word in the `ImplicitSpanMention`.

page

A list of the page number each word in the `ImplicitSpanMention`.

pos_tags

A list of the POS tags for each word in the `ImplicitSpanMention`.

position

The position of the `ImplicitSpanMention` where `position=0` is the first `ImplicitSpanMention` produced by the expander.

sentence

The parent `Sentence`.

sentence_id
The id of the parent Sentence.

text
The raw text of the ImplicitSpanMention.

words
A list of the words in the ImplicitSpanMention.

class `fonduer.candidates.models.Mention` (**kwargs)
Bases: `sqlalchemy.orm.decl_api.Base`

An abstract Mention.

New mention types should be defined by calling `mention_subclass()`, **not** subclassing this class directly.

A simple constructor that allows initialization from kwargs.

Sets attributes on the constructed instance using the names and values in `kwargs`.

Only keys that are present as attributes of the instance's class are allowed. These could be, for example, any mapped columns or relationships.

get_contexts ()
Get the constituent context making up this mention.

Return type `Tuple[Context,...]`

id
The unique id of the Mention.

type
The type for the Mention, which corresponds to the names the user gives to the `mention_subclass`.

class `fonduer.candidates.models.ParagraphMention` (*tc*)
Bases: `fonduer.parser.models.context.Context`, `fonduer.candidates.models.paragraph_mention.TemporaryParagraphMention`

A paragraph Mention.

Initialize ParagraphMention.

get_stable_id ()
Return a stable id.

Return type `str`

id
The unique id of the ParagraphMention.

paragraph
The parent Paragraph.

paragraph_id
The id of the parent Paragraph.

class `fonduer.candidates.models.SectionMention` (*tc*)
Bases: `fonduer.parser.models.context.Context`, `fonduer.candidates.models.section_mention.TemporarySectionMention`

A section Mention.

Initialize SectionMention.

get_stable_id ()
Return a stable id.

Return type `str`

id

The unique id of the `SectionMention`.

section

The parent `Section`.

section_id

The id of the parent `Section`.

class `fonduer.candidates.models.SpanMention` (*tc*)

Bases: `fonduer.parser.models.context.Context`, `fonduer.candidates.models.span_mention.TemporarySpanMention`

A span of chars, identified by Context ID and char-index start, end (inclusive).

`char_offsets` are **relative to the Context start**

Initialize `SpanMention`.

char_end

The ending character-index of the `SpanMention` (inclusive).

char_start

The starting character-index of the `SpanMention`.

get_attr_span (*a*, *sep=""*)

Get the span of sentence attribute *a*.

Intuitively, like calling:

```
sep.join(span.a)
```

Parameters

- **a** (`str`) – The attribute to get a span for.
- **sep** (`str`) – The separator to use for the join, or to be removed from text if `a="words"`.

Return type `str`

Returns The joined tokens, or text if `a="words"`.

get_attr_tokens (*a='words'*)

Get the tokens of sentence attribute *a*.

Intuitively, like calling:

```
span.a
```

Parameters **a** (`str`) – The attribute to get tokens for.

Return type `List`

Returns The tokens of sentence attribute defined by *a* for the span.

get_bbox ()

Get the bounding box.

Return type `Bbox`

get_num_words()

Get the number of words in the span.

Return type `int`

Returns The number of words in the span (n of the ngrams).

get_span()

Return the text of the Span.

Return type `str`

Returns The text of the Span.

get_stable_id()

Return a stable id.

Return type `str`

get_word_end_index()

Get the index of the ending word of the span.

Return type `int`

Returns The word-index of the last word of the span.

get_word_start_index()

Get the index of the starting word of the span.

Return type `int`

Returns The word-index of the start of the span.

id

The unique id of the SpanMention.

meta

Pickled metadata about the ImplicitSpanMention.

sentence

The parent Sentence.

sentence_id

The id of the parent Sentence.

class `fonduer.candidates.models.TableMention(tc)`

Bases: `fonduer.parser.models.context.Context`, `fonduer.candidates.models.table_mention.TemporaryTableMention`

A tableMention.

Initialize TableMention.

get_stable_id()

Return a stable id.

Return type `str`

id

The unique id of the TableMention.

table

The parent Table.

table_id

The id of the parent Table.

```
fonduer.candidates.models.candidate_subclass(class_name, args, table_name=None,  
                                              cardinality=None, values=None, nullables=None)
```

Create new relation.

Creates and returns a Candidate subclass with provided argument names, which are Context type. Creates the table in DB if does not exist yet.

Import using:

```
from fonduer.candidates.models import candidate_subclass
```

Parameters

- **class_name** (str) – The name of the class, should be “camel case” e.g. NewCandidate
- **args** (List[Mention]) – A list of names of constituent arguments, which refer to the Contexts—representing mentions—that comprise the candidate
- **table_name** (Optional[str]) – The name of the corresponding table in DB; if not provided, is converted from camel case by default, e.g. new_candidate
- **cardinality** (Optional[int]) – The cardinality of the variable corresponding to the Candidate. By default is 2 i.e. is a binary value, e.g. is or is not a true mention.
- **values** (Optional[List[Any]]) – A list of values a candidate can take as their label.
- **nullables** (Optional[List[bool]]) – The number of nullables must match that of args. If nullables[i]==True, a mention for ith mention subclass can be NULL. If nullables==`None` (by default), no mention can be NULL.

Return type Type[Candidate]

```
fonduer.candidates.models.mention_subclass(class_name, cardinality=None, values=None,  
                                           table_name=None)
```

Create new mention.

Creates and returns a Mention subclass with provided argument names, which are Context type. Creates the table in DB if does not exist yet.

Import using:

```
from fonduer.candidates.models import mention_subclass
```

Parameters

- **class_name** (str) – The name of the class, should be “camel case” e.g. NewMention
- **table_name** (Optional[str]) – The name of the corresponding table in DB; if not provided, is converted from camel case by default, e.g. new_mention
- **values** (Optional[List[Any]]) – The values that the variable corresponding to the Mention can take. By default it will be [True, False].
- **cardinality** (Optional[int]) – The cardinality of the variable corresponding to the Mention. By default is 2 i.e. is a binary value, e.g. is or is not a true mention.

Return type Type[Mention]

4.2 Core Objects

These are `Fonduer`'s core objects used for Mention and Candidate extraction.

```
class fonduer.candidates.MentionExtractor(session, mention_classes, mention_spaces,
                                           matchers, parallelism=1)
```

Bases: `fonduer.utils.udf.UDFRunner`

An operator to extract Mention objects from a Context.

Example Assuming we want to extract two types of Mentions, a Part and a Temperature, and we have already defined Matchers to use:

```
part_ngrams = MentionNgrams(n_max=3)
temp_ngrams = MentionNgrams(n_max=2)

Part = mention_subclass("Part")
Temp = mention_subclass("Temp")

mention_extractor = MentionExtractor(
    session,
    [Part, Temp],
    [part_ngrams, temp_ngrams],
    [part_matcher, temp_matcher]
)
```

Parameters

- **session** (`Session`) – An initialized database session.
- **mention_classes** (`List[Mention]`) – The type of relation to extract, defined using `func: fonduer.mentions.mention_subclass`.
- **mention_spaces** (`List[MentionSpace]`) – one or list of `MentionSpace` objects, one for each relation argument. Defines space of Contexts to consider
- **matchers** (`List[_Matcher]`) – one or list of `fonduer.matchers.Matcher` objects, one for each relation argument. Only tuples of Contexts for which each element is accepted by the corresponding Matcher will be returned as Mentions
- **parallelism** (`int`) – The number of processes to use in parallel for calls to `apply()`.

Raises `ValueError` – If mention classes, spaces, and matchers are not the same length.

Initialize the `MentionExtractor`.

```
apply(docs, clear=True, parallelism=None, progress_bar=True)
```

Run the `MentionExtractor`.

Example To extract mentions from a set of training documents using 4 cores:

```
mention_extractor.apply(train_docs, parallelism=4)
```

Parameters

- **docs** (`Collection[Document]`) – Set of documents to extract from.
- **clear** (`bool`) – Whether or not to clear the existing Mentions beforehand.
- **parallelism** (`Optional[int]`) – How many threads to use for extraction. This will override the `parallelism` value used to initialize the `MentionExtractor` if it is provided.

- **progress_bar** (`bool`) – Whether or not to display a progress bar. The progress bar is measured per document.

Return type `None`

clear()

Delete Mentions of each class in the extractor from the given split.

Return type `None`

clear_all()

Delete all Mentions from given split the database.

Return type `None`

get_mentions (*docs=None, sort=False*)

Return a list of lists of the mentions associated with this extractor.

Each list of the return will contain the Mentions for one of the mention classes associated with the MentionExtractor.

Parameters

- **docs** (`Union[Document, Iterable[Document], None]`) – If provided, return Mentions from these documents. Else, return all Mentions.
- **sort** (`bool`) – If sort is `True`, then return all Mentions sorted by `stable_id`.

Return type `List[List[Mention]]`

Returns Mentions for each `mention_class`.

last_docs: Set[str]

The last set of documents that `apply()` was called on

```
class fonduer.candidates.CandidateExtractor(session, candidate_classes, throttlers=None, self_relations=False, nested_relations=False, symmetric_relations=True, parallelism=1)
```

Bases: `fonduer.utils.udf.UDFRunner`

An operator to extract Candidate objects from a Context.

Example Assuming we have already defined a `Part` and `Temp` `Mention` subclass, and a throttler called `temp_throttler`, we can create a candidate extractor as follows:

```
PartTemp = candidate_subclass("PartTemp", [Part, Temp])
candidate_extractor = CandidateExtractor(
    session, [PartTemp], throttlers=[temp_throttler]
)
```

Parameters

- **session** (`Session`) – An initialized database session.
- **candidate_classes** (`List[Type[Candidate]]`) – The types of relation to extract, defined using `fonduer.candidates.candidate_subclass()`.
- **throttlers** (*list of throttlers.*) – optional functions for filtering out candidates which returns a `Boolean` expressing whether or not the candidate should be instantiated.
- **self_relations** (`bool`) – `Boolean` indicating whether to extract Candidates that relate the same context. Only applies to binary relations.

- **nested_relations** (`bool`) – Boolean indicating whether to extract Candidates that relate one Context with another that contains it. Only applies to binary relations.
- **symmetric_relations** (`bool`) – Boolean indicating whether to extract symmetric Candidates, i.e., `rel(A,B)` and `rel(B,A)`, where A and B are Contexts. Only applies to binary relations.
- **parallelism** (`int`) – The number of processes to use in parallel for calls to `apply()`.

Raises `ValueError` – If throttlers are provided, but a throttlers are not the same length as candidate classes.

Set throttlers match `candidate_classes` if not provide.

apply (*docs*, *split=0*, *clear=True*, *parallelism=None*, *progress_bar=True*)

Run the CandidateExtractor.

Example To extract candidates from a set of training documents using 4 cores:

```
candidate_extractor.apply(train_docs, split=0, parallelism=4)
```

Parameters

- **docs** (`Collection[Document]`) – Set of documents to extract from.
- **split** (`int`) – Which split to assign the extracted Candidates to.
- **clear** (`bool`) – Whether or not to clear the existing Candidates beforehand.
- **parallelism** (`Optional[int]`) – How many threads to use for extraction. This will override the `parallelism` value used to initialize the CandidateExtractor if it is provided.
- **progress_bar** (`bool`) – Whether or not to display a progress bar. The progress bar is measured per document.

Return type `None`

clear (*split*)

Clear Candidates of each class.

Delete Candidates of each class initialized with the CandidateExtractor from the given split in the database.

Parameters **split** (`int`) – Which split to clear.

Return type `None`

clear_all (*split*)

Delete ALL Candidates from given split the database.

Parameters **split** (`int`) – Which split to clear.

Return type `None`

get_candidates (*docs=None*, *split=0*, *sort=False*)

Return a list of lists of the candidates associated with this extractor.

Each list of the return will contain the candidates for one of the candidate classes associated with the CandidateExtractor.

Parameters

- **docs** (`Union[Document, Iterable[Document], None]`) – If provided, return candidates from these documents from all splits.
- **split** (`int`) – If docs is None, then return all the candidates from this split.
- **sort** (`bool`) – If sort is True, then return all candidates sorted by `stable_id`.

Return type `List[List[Candidate]]`

Returns Candidates for each `candidate_class`.

last_docs: `Set[str]`

The last set of documents that `apply()` was called on

4.3 MentionSpaces

A *MentionSpace* defines the space of mentions, i.e., the set of all possible mentions. Depending on your needs, you can use a pre-defined child class of *MentionSpace* or extend one.

class `fonduer.candidates.mentions.MentionSpace`

Bases: `object`

Define the **space** of Mention objects.

Calling *apply(x)* given an object *x* returns a generator over mentions in *x*.

Initialize mention space.

class `fonduer.candidates.mentions.Ngrams (n_min=1, n_max=5, split_tokens=[])`

Bases: `fonduer.candidates.mentions.MentionSpace`

Define the space of Mentions as all n-grams in a Sentence.

Define the space of Mentions as all n-grams ($n_{\min} \leq n \leq n_{\max}$) in a Sentence *x*, indexing by **character offset**.

Parameters

- **n_min** (`int`) – Lower limit for the generated n_grams.
- **n_max** (`int`) – Upper limit for the generated n_grams.
- **split_tokens** (`tuple, list of str.`) – Tokens, on which unigrams are split into two separate unigrams.

Initialize Ngrams.

class `fonduer.candidates.mentions.MentionNgrams (n_min=1, n_max=5, split_tokens=[])`

Bases: `fonduer.candidates.mentions.Ngrams`

Defines the **space** of Mentions as n-grams in a Document.

Defines the space of Mentions as all n-grams ($n_{\min} \leq n \leq n_{\max}$) in a Document *x*, divided into Sentences inside of html elements (such as table cells).

Parameters

- **n_min** (`int`) – Lower limit for the generated n_grams.
- **n_max** (`int`) – Upper limit for the generated n_grams.
- **split_tokens** (`tuple, list of str.`) – Tokens, on which unigrams are split into two separate unigrams.

Initialize MentionNgrams.

class `fonduer.candidates.mentions.MentionFigures (types=None)`

Bases: `fonduer.candidates.mentions.MentionSpace`

Defines the space of Mentions as all figures in a Document *x*.

Parameters `types` (*list, tuple of str*) – If specified, only yield `TemporaryFigureMentions` whose url ends in one of the specified types. Example: `types=["png", "jpg", "jpeg"]`.

Initialize `MentionFigures`.

class `fonduer.candidates.mentions.MentionSentences`

Bases: `fonduer.candidates.mentions.MentionSpace`

Defines the space of Mentions as all sentences in a Document `x`.

Initialize `MentionSentences`.

class `fonduer.candidates.mentions.MentionParagraphs`

Bases: `fonduer.candidates.mentions.MentionSpace`

Defines the space of Mentions as all paragraphs in a Document `x`.

Initialize `MentionParagraphs`.

class `fonduer.candidates.mentions.MentionCaptions`

Bases: `fonduer.candidates.mentions.MentionSpace`

Defines the space of Mentions as all captions in a Document `x`.

Initialize `MentionCaptions`.

class `fonduer.candidates.mentions.MentionCells`

Bases: `fonduer.candidates.mentions.MentionSpace`

Defines the space of Mentions as all cells in a Document `x`.

Initialize `MentionCells`.

class `fonduer.candidates.mentions.MentionTables`

Bases: `fonduer.candidates.mentions.MentionSpace`

Defines the space of Mentions as all tables in a Document `x`.

Initialize `MentionTables`.

class `fonduer.candidates.mentions.MentionSections`

Bases: `fonduer.candidates.mentions.MentionSpace`

Defines the space of Mentions as all sections in a Document `x`.

Initialize `MentionSections`.

class `fonduer.candidates.mentions.MentionDocuments`

Bases: `fonduer.candidates.mentions.MentionSpace`

Defines the space of Mentions as a document in a Document `x`.

Initialize `MentionDocuments`.

4.4 Matchers

This shows the *matchers* included with `Fonduer`. These matchers can be used alone, or combined together, to define what spans of text should be made into Mentions.

class `fonduer.candidates.matchers.DateMatcher` (**children, **kwargs*)

Bases: `fonduer.candidates.matchers.RegexMatchEach`

Match Spans that are dates, as identified by `spaCy`.

A convenience class for setting up a `RegexMatchEach` to match spans for which each token was tagged as a date (DATE).

Initialize date matcher.

```
class fonduer.candidates.matchers.DictionaryMatch (*children, **opts)
```

Bases: `fonduer.candidates.matchers._Matcher`

Select mention Ngrams that match against a given list *d*.

Parameters

- **d** (*list of str*) – A list of strings representing a dictionary.
- **ignore_case** (*bool*) – Whether to ignore the case when matching. Default True.
- **inverse** (*bool*) – Whether to invert the results (e.g., return those which are not in the list). Default False.
- **stemmer** – Optionally provide a stemmer to preprocess the dictionary. Can be any object which has a `stem(str) -> str` method like `PorterStemmer()`. Default None.

```
class fonduer.candidates.matchers.LambdaFunctionFigureMatcher (*children,  
                                                                **opts)
```

Bases: `fonduer.candidates.matchers._Matcher`

Select Figures that return True when fed to a function *f*.

Parameters **func** (*function*) – The function to evaluate. See `LambdaFunctionMatcher` for details.

```
class fonduer.candidates.matchers.LambdaFunctionMatcher (*children, **opts)
```

Bases: `fonduer.candidates.matchers._Matcher`

Select Ngrams that return True when fed to a function *f*.

Parameters

- **func** (*function*) – The function to evaluate with a signature of `f: m -> {True, False}`, where *m* denotes a mention. More precisely, *m* is an instance of child class of `TemporaryContext`, depending on which `MentionSpace` is used. E.g., `TemporarySpanMention` when `MentionNgrams` is used.
- **longest_match_only** (*bool*) – Whether to only return the longest span matched, rather than all spans. Default False.

```
class fonduer.candidates.matchers.LocationMatcher (*children, **kwargs)
```

Bases: `fonduer.candidates.matchers.RegexMatchEach`

Match Spans that are the names of locations, as identified by spaCy.

A convenience class for setting up a `RegexMatchEach` to match spans for which each token was tagged as a location (GPE or LOC).

Initialize location matcher.

```
class fonduer.candidates.matchers.MiscMatcher (*children, **kwargs)
```

Bases: `fonduer.candidates.matchers.RegexMatchEach`

Match Spans that are miscellaneous named entities, as identified by spaCy.

A convenience class for setting up a `RegexMatchEach` to match spans for which each token was tagged as miscellaneous (MISC).

Initialize miscellaneous matcher.

class `fonduer.candidates.matchers.NumberMatcher` (**children*, ***kwargs*)

Bases: `fonduer.candidates.matchers.RegexMatchEach`

Match Spans that are numbers, as identified by spaCy.

A convenience class for setting up a `RegexMatchEach` to match spans for which each token was tagged as a number (CARDINAL or QUANTITY).

Initialize number matcher.

class `fonduer.candidates.matchers.OrganizationMatcher` (**children*, ***kwargs*)

Bases: `fonduer.candidates.matchers.RegexMatchEach`

Match Spans that are the names of organizations, as identified by spaCy.

A convenience class for setting up a `RegexMatchEach` to match spans for which each token was tagged as an organization (NORG or ORG).

Initialize organization matcher.

class `fonduer.candidates.matchers.PersonMatcher` (**children*, ***kwargs*)

Bases: `fonduer.candidates.matchers.RegexMatchEach`

Match Spans that are the names of people, as identified by spaCy.

A convenience class for setting up a `RegexMatchEach` to match spans for which each token was tagged as a person (PERSON).

Initialize person matcher.

class `fonduer.candidates.matchers.RegexMatchEach` (**children*, ***opts*)

Bases: `fonduer.candidates.matchers._RegexMatch`

Match regex pattern on **each token**.

Parameters

- **rgx** (*str*) – The RegEx pattern to use.
- **ignore_case** (*bool*) – Whether or not to ignore case in the RegEx. Default True.
- **full_match** (*bool*) – If True, wrap the provided rgx with (<rgx>)\$. Default True.
- **longest_match_only** (*bool*) – If True, only return the longest match. Default True.

class `fonduer.candidates.matchers.RegexMatchSpan` (**children*, ***opts*)

Bases: `fonduer.candidates.matchers._RegexMatch`

Match regex pattern on **full concatenated span**.

Parameters

- **rgx** (*str*) – The RegEx pattern to use.
- **ignore_case** (*bool*) – Whether or not to ignore case in the RegEx. Default True.
- **search** (*bool*) – If True, *search* the regex pattern through the concatenated span. If False, try to *match* the regex patten only at its beginning. Default False.
- **full_match** (*bool*) – If True, wrap the provided rgx with (<rgx>)\$. Default True.
- **longest_match_only** (*bool*) – If True, only return the longest match. Default True. Will be overridden by the parent matcher like `Union` when it is wrapped by `Union`, `Intersect`, or `Inverse`.

4.5 Matcher Operators

These are the operators which can be use to compose *matchers*.

class `fonduer.candidates.matchers.Concat` (**children*, ***opts*)
Bases: `fonduer.candidates.matchers._Matcher`

Concatenate mentions generated by `Matchers`.

Select mentions which are the concatenation of adjacent matches from child operators.

Example A concatenation of a `NumberMatcher` and `PersonMatcher` could match on a span of text like “10 Obama”.

Parameters

- **permutations** (*bool*) – Default `False`.
- **left_required** (*bool*) – Whether or not to require the left child to match. Default `True`.
- **right_required** (*bool*) – Whether or not to require the right child to match. Default `True`.
- **ignore_sep** (*bool*) – Whether or not to ignore the separator. Default `True`.
- **sep** – If not ignoring the separator, specify which separator to look for. Default `sep=” ”`.

Raises `ValueError` – If `Concat` is not provided with two child matcher objects.

Note: Currently slices on **word index** and considers concatenation along these divisions only.

class `fonduer.candidates.matchers.Intersect` (**children*, ***opts*)
Bases: `fonduer.candidates.matchers._Matcher`

Take the intersection of mention sets returned by the provided `Matchers`.

Parameters **longest_match_only** (*bool*) – If `True`, only return the longest match. Default `True`. Overrides `longest_match_only` of its child `Matchers`.

class `fonduer.candidates.matchers.Inverse` (**children*, ***opts*)
Bases: `fonduer.candidates.matchers._Matcher`

Return the opposite result of ifs child `Matcher`.

Raises `ValueError` – If more than one `Matcher` is provided.

Parameters **longest_match_only** (*bool*) – If `True`, only return the longest match. Default `True`. Overrides `longest_match_only` of its child `Matchers`.

Initialize inverse matcher.

class `fonduer.candidates.matchers.Union` (**children*, ***opts*)
Bases: `fonduer.candidates.matchers._Matcher`

Take the union of mention sets returned by the provided `Matchers`.

Parameters **longest_match_only** (*bool*) – If `True`, only return the longest match. Default `True`. Overrides `longest_match_only` of its child `Matchers`.

MULTIMODAL FEATURIZATION

The third stage of Fonduer's pipeline is to featurize each Candidate with multimodal features.

5.1 Feature Model Classes

The following describes the Feature element.

Fonduer's feature model module.

```
class fonduer.features.models.Feature (**kwargs)
    Bases:      fonduer.utils.models.annotation.AnnotationMixin,      sqlalchemy.orm.
                decl_api.Base
```

An element of a representation of a Candidate in a feature space.

A Feature's annotation key identifies the definition of the Feature, e.g., a function that implements it or the library name and feature name in an automatic featurization library.

A simple constructor that allows initialization from kwargs.

Sets attributes on the constructed instance using the names and values in kwargs.

Only keys that are present as attributes of the instance's class are allowed. These could be, for example, any mapped columns or relationships.

candidate
Candidate.

candidate_id
Id of the Candidate being annotated.

keys
List of strings of each Key name.

values: `sqlalchemy.sql.schema.Column`
A list of floating point values for each Key.

```
class fonduer.features.models.FeatureKey (**kwargs)
    Bases:      fonduer.utils.models.annotation.AnnotationKeyMixin, sqlalchemy.orm.
                decl_api.Base
```

A feature's key that identifies the definition of the Feature.

A simple constructor that allows initialization from kwargs.

Sets attributes on the constructed instance using the names and values in kwargs.

Only keys that are present as attributes of the instance’s class are allowed. These could be, for example, any mapped columns or relationships.

candidate_classes

List of strings of each Key name.

name

Name of the Key.

5.2 Core Objects

These are Fonduer’s core objects used for featurization.

Fonduer’s features module.

```
class fonduer.features.FeatureExtractor (features=['textual', 'structural', 'tabular', 'visual'],  
                                         customize_feature_funcs=[])
```

Bases: object

A class to extract features from candidates.

Parameters

- **features** (List[str]) – a list of which Fonduer feature types to extract, defaults to [“textual”, “structural”, “tabular”, “visual”]
- **customize_feature_funcs** (Union[Callable[[List[Candidate]], Iterator[Tuple[int, str, int]]], List[Callable[[List[Candidate]], Iterator[Tuple[int, str, int]]]]) – a list of customized feature extractors where the extractor takes a list of candidates as input and yield tuples of (candidate_id, feature, value), defaults to []

Initialize FeatureExtractor.

```
extract (candidates)
```

Extract features from candidates.

Parameters **candidates** (Union[List[Candidate], Candidate]) – A list of candidates to extract features from

Return type Iterator[Tuple[int, str, int]]

```
class fonduer.features.Featurizer (session,           candidate_classes,           fea-  
                                         ture_extractors=<fonduer.features.feature_extractors.FeatureExtractor  
                                         object>, parallelism=1)
```

Bases: fonduer.utils.udf.UDFRunner

An operator to add Feature Annotations to Candidates.

Parameters

- **session** (Session) – The database session to use.
- **candidate_classes** (List[Candidate]) – A list of candidate_subclasses to featurize.
- **parallelism** (int) – The number of processes to use in parallel. Default 1.

Initialize the Featurizer.

```
apply (docs=None, split=0, train=False, clear=True, parallelism=None, progress_bar=True)
```

Apply features to the specified candidates.

Parameters

- **docs** (Optional[Collection[Document]]) – If provided, apply features to all the candidates in these documents.
- **split** (int) – If docs is None, apply features to the candidates in this particular split.
- **train** (bool) – Whether or not to update the global key set of features and the features of candidates.
- **clear** (bool) – Whether or not to clear the features table before applying features.
- **parallelism** (Optional[int]) – How many threads to use for extraction. This will override the parallelism value used to initialize the Featurizer if it is provided.
- **progress_bar** (bool) – Whether or not to display a progress bar. The progress bar is measured per document.

Return type None**clear** (*train=False, split=0*)

Delete Features of each class from the database.

Parameters

- **train** (bool) – Whether or not to clear the FeatureKeys
- **split** (int) – Which split of candidates to clear features from.

Return type None**clear_all** ()

Delete all Features.

Return type None**drop_keys** (*keys, candidate_classes=None*)

Drop the specified keys from FeatureKeys.

Parameters

- **keys** (Iterable[str]) – A list of FeatureKey names to delete.
- **candidate_classes** (Union[Candidate, Iterable[Candidate], None]) – A list of the Candidates to drop the key for. If None, drops the keys for all candidate classes associated with this Featurizer.

Return type None**get_feature_matrices** (*cand_lists*)

Load sparse matrix of Features for each candidate_class.

Parameters **cand_lists** (List[List[Candidate]]) – The candidates to get features for.**Return type** List[csr_matrix]**Returns** A list of MxN sparse matrix where M are the candidates and N is the features.**get_keys** ()

Return a list of keys for the Features.

Return type List[FeatureKey]**Returns** List of FeatureKeys.**last_docs:** Set[str]

The last set of documents that apply() was called on

update (*docs=None, split=0, parallelism=None, progress_bar=True*)

Update the features of the specified candidates.

Parameters

- **docs** (`Optional[Collection[Document]]`) – If provided, apply features to all the candidates in these documents.
- **split** (`int`) – If docs is None, apply features to the candidates in this particular split.
- **parallelism** (`Optional[int]`) – How many threads to use for extraction. This will override the parallelism value used to initialize the Featurizer if it is provided.
- **progress_bar** (`bool`) – Whether or not to display a progress bar. The progress bar is measured per document.

Return type `None`

upsert_keys (*keys, candidate_classes=None*)

Upsert the specified keys to FeatureKey.

Parameters

- **keys** (`Iterable[str]`) – A list of FeatureKey names to upsert.
- **candidate_classes** (`Union[Candidate, Iterable[Candidate], None]`) – A list of the Candidates to upsert the key for. If None, upsert the keys for all candidate classes associated with this Featurizer.

Return type `None`

5.3 Multimodal features

Fonduer includes a basic multimodal feature library based on its rich data model. In addition, users can provide their own feature extractors to use with their applications.

Fonduer’s feature library module.

`fonduer.features.feature_libs.extract_structural_features` (*candidates*)

Extract structural features.

Parameters **candidates** (`Union[Candidate, List[Candidate]]`) – A list of candidates to extract features from

Return type `Iterator[Tuple[int, str, int]]`

`fonduer.features.feature_libs.extract_tabular_features` (*candidates*)

Extract tabular features.

Parameters **candidates** (`Union[Candidate, List[Candidate]]`) – A list of candidates to extract features from

Return type `Iterator[Tuple[int, str, int]]`

`fonduer.features.feature_libs.extract_textual_features` (*candidates*)

Extract textual features.

Parameters **candidates** (`Union[Candidate, List[Candidate]]`) – A list of candidates to extract features from

Return type `Iterator[Tuple[int, str, int]]`

`fonduer.features.feature_libs.extract_visual_features` (*candidates*)

Extract visual features.

Parameters `candidates` (Union[`Candidate`, List[`Candidate`]]) – A list of candidates to extract features from

Return type Iterator[Tuple[int, str, int]]

5.4 Configuration Settings

Visit the [Configuring Fonduer](#) page to see how to provide configuration parameters to Fonduer via `fonduer-config.yaml`.

The different featurization parameters are explained in this section:

```
featurization:
  # settings of textual-based features
  textual:
    # settings for window features
    window_feature:
      size: 3
      combinations: True
      isolated: True
    # settings for word window used to extract features from surrounding words
    word_feature:
      window: 7
  # settings of tabular-based features
  tabular:
    # unary feature settings
    unary_features:
      # type of attributes
      attrib:
        - words
      # number of gram for features extract in cells
      get_cell_ngrams:
        max: 2
      # number of gram for features extract in headers
      get_head_ngrams:
        max: 2
      # number of gram for features extract in rows
      get_row_ngrams:
        max: 2
      # number of gram for features extract in columns
      get_col_ngrams:
        max: 2
    # binary feature settings
    multinary_features:
      # minimal difference in rows to check
      min_row_diff:
        absolute: False
      # minimal difference in cols to check
      min_col_diff:
        absolute: False
```


SUPERVISION

The fourth stage of **Fonduer**'s pipeline is to provide weak supervision which can be used to generate a large set of training data.

6.1 Supervision Model Classes

These are the model classes used for supervision in **Fonduer**.

Fonduer's supervision model module.

```
class fonduer.supervision.models.GoldLabel (**kwargs)
    Bases:      fonduer.utils.models.annotation.AnnotationMixin,      sqlalchemy.orm.
                decl_api.Base
```

Gold label class.

A separate class for labels from human annotators or other gold standards.

A simple constructor that allows initialization from kwargs.

Sets attributes on the constructed instance using the names and values in `kwargs`.

Only keys that are present as attributes of the instance's class are allowed. These could be, for example, any mapped columns or relationships.

candidate
Candidate.

candidate_id
Id of the Candidate being annotated.

keys
List of strings of each Key name.

values: `sqlalchemy.sql.schema.Column`
A list of integer values for each Key.

```
class fonduer.supervision.models.GoldLabelKey (**kwargs)
    Bases:      fonduer.utils.models.annotation.AnnotationKeyMixin, sqlalchemy.orm.
                decl_api.Base
```

Gold label key class.

A gold label's key that identifies the annotator of the gold label.

A simple constructor that allows initialization from kwargs.

Sets attributes on the constructed instance using the names and values in `kwargs`.

Only keys that are present as attributes of the instance's class are allowed. These could be, for example, any mapped columns or relationships.

candidate_classes

List of strings of each Key name.

name

Name of the Key.

class fonduer.supervision.models.**Label** (**kwargs)

Bases: fonduer.utils.models.annotation.AnnotationMixin, sqlalchemy.orm.decl_api.Base

Label class.

A discrete label associated with a Candidate, indicating a target prediction value.

Labels are used to represent the output of labeling functions. A Label's annotation key identifies the labeling function that provided the Label.

A simple constructor that allows initialization from kwargs.

Sets attributes on the constructed instance using the names and values in kwargs.

Only keys that are present as attributes of the instance's class are allowed. These could be, for example, any mapped columns or relationships.

candidate

Candidate.

candidate_id

Id of the Candidate being annotated.

keys

List of strings of each Key name.

values: sqlalchemy.sql.schema.Column

A list of integer values for each Key.

class fonduer.supervision.models.**LabelKey** (**kwargs)

Bases: fonduer.utils.models.annotation.AnnotationKeyMixin, sqlalchemy.orm.decl_api.Base

Label key class.

A label's key that identifies the labeling function.

A simple constructor that allows initialization from kwargs.

Sets attributes on the constructed instance using the names and values in kwargs.

Only keys that are present as attributes of the instance's class are allowed. These could be, for example, any mapped columns or relationships.

candidate_classes

List of strings of each Key name.

name

Name of the Key.

class fonduer.supervision.models.**StableLabel** (**kwargs)

Bases: sqlalchemy.orm.decl_api.Base

Stable label table.

A special secondary table for preserving labels created by *human annotators* in a stable format that does not cascade, and is independent of the Candidate IDs.

Note: This is currently unused.

A simple constructor that allows initialization from kwargs.

Sets attributes on the constructed instance using the names and values in `kwargs`.

Only keys that are present as attributes of the instance's class are allowed. These could be, for example, any mapped columns or relationships.

annotator_name

The annotator's name

context_stable_ids

Delimited list of the context stable ids.

split

Which split the label belongs to

6.2 Core Objects

These are Fonduer's core objects used for supervision.

Fonduer's supervision module.

class `fonduer.supervision.Labeler` (*session, candidate_classes, parallelism=1*)

Bases: `fonduer.utils.udf.UDFRunner`

An operator to add Label Annotations to Candidates.

Parameters

- **session** (`Session`) – The database session to use.
- **candidate_classes** (`List[Type[Candidate]]`) – A list of candidate_subclasses to label.
- **parallelism** (`int`) – The number of processes to use in parallel. Default 1.

Initialize the Labeler.

apply (*docs=None, split=0, train=False, lfs=None, clear=True, parallelism=None, progress_bar=True, table=<class 'fonduer.supervision.models.label.Label'>*)

Apply the labels of the specified candidates based on the provided LFs.

Parameters

- **docs** (`Optional[Collection[Document]]`) – If provided, apply the LFs to all the candidates in these documents.
- **split** (`int`) – If docs is None, apply the LFs to the candidates in this particular split.
- **train** (`bool`) – Whether or not to update the global key set of labels and the labels of candidates.
- **lfs** (`Optional[List[List[Callable]]]`) – A list of lists of labeling functions to apply. Each list should correspond with the candidate_classes used to initialize the Labeler.
- **clear** (`bool`) – Whether or not to clear the labels table before applying these LFs.

- **parallelism** (Optional[int]) – How many threads to use for extraction. This will override the parallelism value used to initialize the Labeler if it is provided.
- **progress_bar** (bool) – Whether or not to display a progress bar. The progress bar is measured per document.
- **table** (Table) – A (database) table labels are written to. Takes *Label* (by default) or *GoldLabel*.

Raises ValueError – If labeling functions are not provided for each candidate class.

Return type None

clear (*train*, *split*, *lfs*=None, *table*=<class 'fonduer.supervision.models.label.Label'>, ***kwargs*)
Delete Labels of each class from the database.

Parameters

- **train** (bool) – Whether or not to clear the LabelKeys.
- **split** (int) – Which split of candidates to clear labels from.
- **lfs** (Optional[List[List[Callable]]]) – This parameter is ignored.
- **table** (Table) – A (database) table labels are cleared from. Takes *Label* (by default) or *GoldLabel*.

Return type None

clear_all (*table*=<class 'fonduer.supervision.models.label.Label'>)
Delete all Labels.

Parameters table (Table) – A (database) table labels are cleared from. Takes *Label* (by default) or *GoldLabel*.

Return type None

drop_keys (*keys*, *candidate_classes*=None)
Drop the specified keys from LabelKeys.

Parameters

- **keys** (Iterable[Union[str, Callable]]) – A list of labeling functions to delete.
- **candidate_classes** (Union[Type[Candidate], List[Type[Candidate]], None]) – A list of the Candidates to drop the key for. If None, drops the keys for all candidate classes associated with this Labeler.

Return type None

get_gold_labels (*cand_lists*, *annotator*=None)
Load dense matrix of GoldLabels for each candidate_class.

Parameters

- **cand_lists** (List[List[Candidate]]) – The candidates to get gold labels for.
- **annotator** (Optional[str]) – A specific annotator key to get labels for. Default None.

Raises ValueError – If `get_gold_labels` is called before gold labels are loaded, the result will contain ABSTAIN values. We raise a `ValueError` to help indicate this potential mistake to the user.

Return type List[ndarray]

Returns A list of MxN dense matrix where M are the candidates and N is the annotators. If annotator is provided, return a list of Mx1 matrix.

get_keys ()

Return a list of keys for the Labels.

Return type List[LabelKey]

Returns List of LabelKeys.

get_label_matrices (*cand_lists*)

Load dense matrix of Labels for each candidate_class.

Parameters **cand_lists** (List[List[Candidate]]) – The candidates to get labels for.

Return type List[ndarray]

Returns A list of MxN dense matrix where M are the candidates and N is the labeling functions.

last_docs: Set[str]

The last set of documents that apply() was called on

update (*docs=None, split=0, lfs=None, parallelism=None, progress_bar=True, table=<class 'fonduer.supervision.models.label.Label'>*)

Update the labels of the specified candidates based on the provided LFs.

Parameters

- **docs** (Optional[Collection[Document]]) – If provided, apply the updated LFs to all the candidates in these documents.
- **split** (int) – If docs is None, apply the updated LFs to the candidates in this particular split.
- **lfs** (Optional[List[List[Callable]])] – A list of lists of labeling functions to update. Each list should correspond with the candidate_classes used to initialize the Labeler.
- **parallelism** (Optional[int]) – How many threads to use for extraction. This will override the parallelism value used to initialize the Labeler if it is provided.
- **progress_bar** (bool) – Whether or not to display a progress bar. The progress bar is measured per document.
- **table** (Table) – A (database) table labels are written to. Takes *Label* (by default) or *GoldLabel*.

Return type None

upsert_keys (*keys, candidate_classes=None*)

Upsert the specified keys from LabelKeys.

Parameters

- **keys** (Iterable[Union[str, Callable]]) – A list of labeling functions to upsert.
- **candidate_classes** (Union[Type[Candidate], List[Type[Candidate]], None]) – A list of the Candidates to upsert the key for. If None, upsert the keys for all candidate classes associated with this Labeler.

Return type None

LEARNING

The final stage of **Fonduer**'s pipeline is to use machine learning models to model the noise between supervision sources to generate probabilistic labels as training data, and then classify each Candidate. Rather than maintaining a separate learning engine, we switch to **Emmental**, a deep learning framework for multi-task learning. Switching to a more general learning framework allows **Fonduer** to support more applications and multi-task learning. With **Emmental**, you need do following steps to perform learning:

1. Create task for each relations and **EmmentalModel** to learn those tasks.
2. Wrap candidates into **EmmentalDataLoader** for training.
3. Training and inference (prediction).

7.1 Core Learning Objects

These are **Fonduer**'s core objects used for learning. First, we describe how to create **Emmental** task for each relation.

Customized **Emmental** task for **Fonduer**.

```
fonduer.learning.task.create_task(task_names, n_arities, n_features, n_classes, emb_layer,  
                                 model='LSTM', mode='MTL')
```

Create task from relation(s).

Parameters

- **task_names** (Union[str, List[str]]) – Relation name(s), If str, only one relation; If List[str], multiple relations.
- **n_arities** (Union[int, List[int]]) – The arity of each relation.
- **n_features** (int) – The multimodal feature set size.
- **n_classes** (Union[int, List[int]]) – Number of classes for each task. (Only support classification task now).
- **emb_layer** (Optional[EmbeddingModule]) – The embedding layer for LSTM. No need for LogisticRegression model.
- **model** (str) – Model name (available models: “LSTM”, “LogisticRegression”), defaults to “LSTM”.
- **mode** (str) – Learning mode (available modes: “STL”, “MTL”), defaults to “MTL”.

Return type List[EmmentalTask]

```
fonduer.learning.task.loss(module_name, intermediate_output_dict, Y, active)
```

Define the loss of the task.

Parameters

- **module_name** (`str`) – The module name to calculate the loss.
- **intermediate_output_dict** (`Dict[str, Any]`) – The intermediate output dictionary
- **Y** (`Tensor`) – Ground truth labels.
- **active** (`Tensor`) – The sample mask.

Return type `Tensor`

Returns Loss.

`fonduer.learning.task.output` (*module_name, intermediate_output_dict*)
Define the output of the task.

Parameters

- **module_name** (`str`) – The module name to calculate the loss.
- **intermediate_output_dict** (`Dict[str, Any]`) – The intermediate output dictionary

Return type `Tensor`

Returns Output tensor.

Then, we describe how to wrap candidates into an `EmmentalDataLoader`.

Fonduer dataset.

class `fonduer.learning.dataset.FonduerDataset` (*name, candidates, features, word2id, labels, index=None*)

Bases: `emmental.data`.

A `FonduerDataset` class which is inherited from `EmmentalDataset`.

This class takes list of candidates and corresponding feature matrix as input and wraps them.

Parameters

- **name** (`str`) – The name of the dataset.
- **candidates** (`List[Candidate]`) – The list of candidates.
- **features** (`csr_matrix`) – The corresponding feature matrix.
- **word2id** (`Dict`) – The name of the dataset.
- **labels** (`Union[array, int]`) – If `np.array`, it's the label for all candidates; If `int`, it's the number of classes of label and we will create placeholder labels (mainly used for inference).
- **labels** – Which candidates to use. If `None`, use all candidates.

Initialize `FonduerDataset`.

7.2 Learning Utilities

These utilities can be used during error analysis to provide additional insights.

Fonduer learning utils.

`fonduer.learning.utils.collect_word_counter` (*candidates*)

Collect word counter from candidates.

Parameters *candidates* (Union[List[Candidate], List[List[Candidate]]]) – The candidates used to collect word counter.

Return type Dict[str, int]

Returns The word counter.

`fonduer.learning.utils.confusion_matrix` (*pred, gold*)

Return a confusion matrix.

This can be used for both entity-level and mention-level

Parameters

- **pred** (Set) – a set of predicted entities/candidates
- **gold** (Set) – a set of golden entities/candidates

Return type Tuple[Set, Set, Set]

Returns a tuple of TP, FP, and FN

`fonduer.learning.utils.mark` (*l, h, idx*)

Produce markers based on argument positions.

Parameters

- **l** (int) – sentence position of first word in argument.
- **h** (int) – sentence position of last word in argument.
- **idx** (int) – argument index (1 or 2).

Return type List[Tuple[int, str]]

Returns markers.

`fonduer.learning.utils.mark_sentence` (*s, args*)

Insert markers around relation arguments in word sequence.

Parameters

- **s** (List[str]) – list of tokens in sentence.
- **args** (List[Tuple[int, int, int]]) – list of triples (l, h, idx) as per @_mark(...) corresponding to relation arguments

Return type List[str]

Returns The marked sentence.

Example: Then Barack married Michelle. -> Then ~-[1 Barack 1]~- married ~-[2 Michelle 2]~-.

`fonduer.learning.utils.mention_to_tokens` (*mention, token_type='words', lowercase=False*)

Extract tokens from the mention.

Parameters

- **mention** (`Mention`) – mention object.
- **token_type** (`str`) – token type that wants to extract (e.g. words, lemmas, poses).
- **lowercase** (`bool`) – use lowercase or not.

Return type `List[str]`

Returns The token list.

`fonduer.learning.utils.save_marginals` (`session`, `X`, `marginals`, `training=True`)
Save marginal probabilities for a set of Candidates to db.

Parameters

- **x** (`List[Candidate]`) – A list of arbitrary objects with candidate ids accessible via a `.id` attrib
- **marginals** (`Session`) – A dense $M \times K$ matrix of marginal probabilities, where K is the cardinality of the candidates, OR a M -dim list/array if $K=2$.
- **training** (`bool`) – If `True`, these are training marginals / labels; else they are saved as end model predictions.

Note: The marginals for $k=0$ are not stored, only for $k = 1, \dots, K$

Return type `None`

7.3 Configuration Settings

Visit the [Configuring Fonduer](#) page to see how to provide configuration parameters to Fonduer via `fonduer-config.yaml`.

The learning parameters of different models are described below:

```
learning:
  # LSTM model
  LSTM:
    # Word embedding dimension size
    emb_dim: 100
    # The number of features in the LSTM hidden state
    hidden_dim: 100
    # Use attention or not (Options: True or False)
    attention: True
    # Dropout parameter
    dropout: 0.1
    # Use bidirectional LSTM or not (Options: True or False)
    bidirectional: True
  # Logistic Regression model
  LogisticRegression:
    # The number of features in the LogisticRegression hidden state
    hidden_dim: 100
    # bias term
    bias: False
```


PACKAGING

You can package a whole trained Fonduer pipeline model (parsing, extraction, featurization, and classification) and deploy it to a remote place to serve. To this end, we use [MLflow Model](#) as a storage format. A packaged Fonduer pipeline model (or simply referred to as a Fonduer model) looks like this:

Listing 1: Directory written by `fonduer.packaging.save_model`

```
fonduer_model/
├── MLmodel
├── code
│   ├── my_subclasses.py
│   └── my_fonduer_model.py
├── conda.yaml
├── candidate_classes.pkl
├── mention_classes.pkl
└── model.pkl # the pickled Fonduer pipeline model.
```

Currently, two types of classifiers are supported: `EmmentalModel` (aka discriminative model) and `LabelModel` (aka generative model). The following example shows how to package a Fonduer pipeline model that uses `EmmentalModel` as a classifier.

8.1 Example

First, create a class that inherits `FonduerModel` and implements `_classify()`. You can see fully functional examples of such a class at [hardware_fonduer_model.py](#) and [my_fonduer_model.py](#). Then, put this class in a Python module like `my_fonduer_model.py` instead of in a Jupyter notebook or a Python script as this module will be packaged.

Listing 2: `my_fonduer_model.py`

```
class MyFonduerModel(FonduerModel):
    def _classify(self, doc: Document) -> DataFrame:
        # Assume only one candidate class is used.
        candidate_class = self.candidate_extractor.candidate_classes[0]
        # Get a list of candidates for this candidate_class.
        test_cands = getattr(doc, candidate_class.__tablename__ + "s")
        # Get a list of true predictions out of candidates.
        ...
        true_preds = [test_cands[_] for _ in positive[0]]

        # Load the true predictions into a dataframe.
        df = DataFrame()
        for true_pred in true_preds:
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        entity_relation = tuple(m.context.get_span() for m in true_pred.
↳get_mentions())
        df = df.append(
            DataFrame([entity_relation],
                columns=[m.__name__ for m in candidate_class.mentions]
            )
        )
    return df

```

Similarly, put anything that is required for `MentionExtractor` and `CandidateExtractor`, i.e., `mention_classes`, `mention_spaces`, `matchers`, `candidate_classes`, and `throttlers`, into another module.

Listing 3: `my_subclasses.py`

```

from fonduer.candidates.models import mention_subclass
Presidentname = mention_subclass("Presidentname")
Placeofbirth = mention_subclass("Placeofbirth")

mention_classes = [Presidentname, Placeofbirth]
...
mention_spaces = [presname_ngrams, placeofbirth_ngrams]
matchers = [president_name_matcher, place_of_birth_matcher]
candidate_classes = [PresidentnamePlaceofbirth]
throttlers = [my_throttler]

```

Finally, in a Jupyter notebook or a Python script, build and train a pipeline, then save the trained pipeline.

```

>>> from fonduer.parser.preprocessors import HTMLDocPreprocessor
>>> preprocessor = HTMLDocPreprocessor(docs_path)
>>> ...
# Import mention_classes, candidate_classes, etc. from my_subclasses.py
# instead of defining them here.
>>> from my_subclasses import mention_classes, mention_spaces, matchers
>>> mention_extractor = MentionExtractor(session, mention_classes, mention_spaces,
↳matchers)
>>> from my_subclasses import candidate_classes, throttlers
>>> candidate_extractor = CandidateExtractor(session, candidate_classes, throttlers)
>>> ...
>>> from my_fonduer_model import MyFonduerModel
>>> from fonduer.packaging import save_model
>>> save_model(
    fonduer_model=MyFonduerModel(),
    path="fonduer_model",
    code_paths=["my_subclasses.py", "my_fonduer_model.py"],
    preprocessor=preprocessor,
    parser=parser,
    mention_extractor=mention_extractor,
    candidate_extractor=candidate_extractor,
    featurizer=featurizer,
    emmental_model=emmental_model,
    word2id=emb_layer.word2id,
)

```

Remember to list `my_subclasses.py` and `my_fonduer_model.py` in the `code_paths` argument. Other modules can also be listed if they are required during inference. Alternatively, you can manually place arbitrary modules or data under `/code` or `/data` directory, respectively. For further information about MLflow Model, please see [MLflow Model](#).

8.2 MLflow model for Fonduer

Customized MLflow model for Fonduer.

class `fonduer.packaging.fonduer_model.FonduerModel` (*args, **kwargs)
 Bases: `mlflow.pyfunc`.

A custom MLflow model for Fonduer.

This class is intended to be subclassed.

static convert_features_to_matrix (*features, keys*)
 Convert features (the output from `FeaturizerUDF.apply`) into a sparse matrix.

Parameters

- **features** (`List[Dict[str, Any]]`) – a list of feature mapping (key: key, value=feature).
- **keys** (`List[str]`) – a list of all keys.

Return type `csr_matrix`

static convert_labels_to_matrix (*labels, keys*)
 Convert labels (the output from `LabelerUDF.apply`) into a dense matrix.

Note that the input labels are 0-indexed (`{0, 1, ..., k}`), while the output labels are -1-indexed (`{-1, 0, ..., k-1}`).

Parameters

- **labels** (`List[Dict[str, Any]]`) – a list of label mapping (key: key, value=label).
- **keys** (`List[str]`) – a list of all keys.

Return type `ndarray`

predict (*model_input*)
 Take `html_path` (and `pdf_path`) as input and return extracted information.

This method is required and its signature is defined by the MLflow’s convention. See [MLflow](#) for more details.

Parameters `model_input` (`DataFrame`) – Pandas `DataFrame` with rows as docs and columns as params. params should include “`html_path`” and can optionally include “`pdf_path`”.

Return type `DataFrame`

Returns Pandas `DataFrame` containing the output from `_classify()`, which depends on how it is implemented by a subclass.

`fonduer.packaging.fonduer_model.log_model` (*fonduer_model, artifact_path, preprocessor, parser, mention_extractor, candidate_extractor, conda_env=None, code_paths=None, model_type='emmental', labeler=None, lfs=None, label_models=None, featurizer=None, emmental_model=None, word2id=None*)

Log a Fonduer model as an MLflow artifact for the current run.

Parameters

- **fonduer_model** (`FonduerModel`) – Fonduer model to be saved.
- **artifact_path** (`str`) – Run-relative artifact path.

- **preprocessor** (`DocPreprocessor`) – the doc preprocessor.
- **parser** (`Parser`) – self-explanatory
- **mention_extractor** (`MentionExtractor`) – self-explanatory
- **candidate_extractor** (`CandidateExtractor`) – self-explanatory
- **conda_env** (`Union[Dict, str, None]`) – Either a dictionary representation of a Conda environment or the path to a Conda environment yaml file.
- **code_paths** (`Optional[List[str]]`) – A list of local filesystem paths to Python file dependencies, or directories containing file dependencies. These files are prepended to the system path when the model is loaded.
- **model_type** (`Optional[str]`) – the model type, either “emmental” or “label”, defaults to “emmental”.
- **labeler** (`Optional[Labeler]`) – a labeler, defaults to None.
- **lfs** (`Optional[List[List[Callable]]]`) – a list of list of labeling functions.
- **label_models** (`Optional[List[LabelModel]]`) – a list of label models, defaults to None.
- **featurizer** (`Optional[Featurizer]`) – a featurizer, defaults to None.
- **emmental_model** (`Optional[EmmentalModel]`) – an Emmental model, defaults to None.
- **word2id** (`Optional[Dict]`) – a word embedding map.

Return type None

```
fonduer.packaging.fonduer_model.save_model(fonduer_model, path, preprocessor, parser,
                                             mention_extractor, candidate_extractor,
                                             mlflow_model=mlflow.models.Model,
                                             conda_env=None, code_paths=None,
                                             model_type='emmental', labeler=None,
                                             lfs=None, label_models=None, featurizer=None,
                                             emmental_model=None, word2id=None)
```

Save a Fonduer model to a path on the local file system.

Parameters

- **fonduer_model** (`FonduerModel`) – Fonduer model to be saved.
- **path** (`str`) – the path on the local file system.
- **preprocessor** (`DocPreprocessor`) – the doc preprocessor.
- **parser** (`Parser`) – self-explanatory
- **mention_extractor** (`MentionExtractor`) – self-explanatory
- **candidate_extractor** (`CandidateExtractor`) – self-explanatory
- **mlflow_model** (`Model`) – model configuration.
- **conda_env** (`Union[Dict, str, None]`) – Either a dictionary representation of a Conda environment or the path to a Conda environment yaml file.
- **code_paths** (`Optional[List[str]]`) – A list of local filesystem paths to Python file dependencies, or directories containing file dependencies. These files are prepended to the system path when the model is loaded.

- **model_type** (Optional[str]) – the model type, either “emmental” or “label”, defaults to “emmental”.
- **labeler** (Optional[Labeler]) – a labeler, defaults to None.
- **lfs** (Optional[List[List[Callable]])] – a list of list of labeling functions.
- **label_models** (Optional[List[LabelModel]]) – a list of label models, defaults to None.
- **featurizer** (Optional[Featurizer]) – a featurizer, defaults to None.
- **emmental_model** (Optional[EmmentalModel]) – an Emmental model, defaults to None.
- **word2id** (Optional[Dict]) – a word embedding map.

Return type None

CONFIGURING FONDUER

By default, **Fonduer** looks for `.fonduer-config.yaml` starting from the current working directory, allowing you to have multiple configuration files for different directories or projects. If it's not there, it looks in parent directories. If no file is found, a default configuration will be used.

Fonduer will only ever use one `.fonduer-config.yaml` file. It does not look for multiple files and will not compose configuration settings from different files.

The default `.fonduer-config.yaml` configuration file is shown below:

```
featurization:
  textual:
    window_feature:
      size: 3
      combinations: True
      isolated: True
    word_feature:
      window: 7
  tabular:
    unary_features:
      attrib:
        - words
      get_cell_ngrams:
        max: 2
      get_head_ngrams:
        max: 2
      get_row_ngrams:
        max: 2
      get_col_ngrams:
        max: 2
    multinary_features:
      min_row_diff:
        absolute: False
      min_col_diff:
        absolute: False

learning:
  LSTM:
    emb_dim: 100
    hidden_dim: 100
    attention: True
    dropout: 0.1
    bidirectional: True
  LogisticRegression:
    hidden_dim: 100
    bias: False
```

About how to customize Emmmental, please check here: <https://emmental.readthedocs.io/en/latest/user/config.html>

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQS)

Here are a collection of troubleshooting questions we've seen asked. If you run into anything not covered in this section, feel free to open an [Issue](#).

10.1 When I try to createdb, or use psql, I get FATAL: role “<username>” does not exist.

If you just installed PostgreSQL, you probably need to add users. You will need sudo privileges to do this.

We recommend using [createuser](#) to define a new PostgreSQL user account:

```
$ sudo -u postgres createuser [options] [username]
```

10.2 How do I connect to PostgreSQL? I'm getting “fe_sendauth no password supplied”.

There are [four main ways](#) to deal with entering passwords when you connect to your PostgreSQL database:

1. Set the PGPASSWORD environment variable `PGPASSWORD=<pass> psql -h <host> -U <user>`
2. Using a [.pgpass file](#) to store the password.
3. Setting the users to [trust authentication](#) in the `pg_hba.conf` file. This makes local development easy, but probably isn't suitable for multiuser environments. You can find your hba file location by running:

```
$ sudo -u postgres psql -c "SHOW hba_file;"
```

4. Put the username and password in the connection URI: `postgresql://<user>:<pw>@<host>:<port>/<database_name>`

10.3 I'm getting a CalledProcessError for command 'pdftotext -f 1 -l 1 -bbox-layout'?

Are you using Ubuntu 14.04 (or older)? Fonduer requires `poppler-utils` to be version 0.36.0 or greater. Otherwise, the `-bbox-layout` option is not available for `pdftotext` (see [changelog](#)).

If you must use Ubuntu 14.04, you can [install manually](#). As an example, to install 0.53.0:

```
$ sudo apt install build-essential checkinstall
$ wget poppler.freedesktop.org/poppler-0.53.0.tar.xz
$ tar -xf ./poppler-0.53.0.tar.xz
$ cd poppler-0.53.0
$ ./configure
$ make
$ sudo checkinstall
```

We highly recommend using at least Ubuntu 16.04 though, as we haven't done testing on 14.04 or older.

10.4 How can I use use Fonduer for documents in Languages other than English?

If available, Fonduer uses languages supported by spaCy for tokenization and its NLP pipeline (see [spacy language support](#)). We also started adding languages with spaCy alpha support for tokenization (see [spacy alpha languages](#)). Currently, only Chinese and Japanese are supported.

If you would like to use Fonduer for Japanese documents, you can use `pip install fonduer[spacy_ja]` to install Fonduer with Japanese language support.

If you would like to use Fonduer for Chinese documents, you can use `pip install fonduer[spacy_zh]` to install Fonduer with Chinese language support.

If you would like to use other languages with spaCy alpha support, which are not yet integrated in Fonduer, feel free to submit a [Pull Request](#) or open an [Issue](#).

CHANGELOG

All notable changes to this project will be documented in this file.

The format is based on [Keep a Changelog](#) and this project adheres to [Semantic Versioning 2.0.0](#) conventions. The maintainers will create a git tag for each release and increment the version number found in `fonduer/_version.py` accordingly. We release tagged versions to [PyPI](#) automatically using [GitHub Actions](#).

Note: Fonduer is still under active development and APIs may still change rapidly. Until we release v1.0.0, changes in MINOR version indicate backward incompatible changes.

11.1 Unreleased

11.1.1 Added

- [@HiromuHota](#): Support spaCy v2.3. (#506)
- [@HiromuHota](#): Add `HOCRDocPreprocessor` and `HocrVisualLinker` to support hOCR as input file. (#476) (#519)
- [@YasushiMiyata](#): Add multiline Japanese strings support to `fonduer.parser.visual_parser.hocr_visual_parser`. (#534) (#542)
- [@YasushiMiyata](#): Add commit process immediately after add to `fonduer.parser.Parser`. (#494) (#544)

11.1.2 Changed

- [@HiromuHota](#): Renamed `VisualLinker` to `PdfVisualParser`, which assumes the followings: (#518)
 - `pdf_path` should be a directory path, where PDF files exist, and cannot be a file path.
 - The PDF file should have the same basename (`os.path.basename`) as the document. E.g., the PDF file should be either “123.pdf” or “123.PDF” for “123.html”.
- [@HiromuHota](#): Changed `Parser`’s signature as follows: (#518)
 - Renamed `vizlink` to `visual_parser`.
 - Removed `pdf_path`. Now this is required only by `PdfVisualParser`.
 - Removed `visual`. Provide `visual_parser` if visual information is to be parsed.
- [@YasushiMiyata](#): Changed `UDFRunner`’s and `UDF`’s data commit process as follows: (#545)
 - Removed add process on single-thread in `_apply()` in `UDFRunner`.

- Added `UDFRunner._add_of_y` on multi-threads to `Parser`, `Labeler` and `Featurizer`.
- Removed `y` of document parsed result from `out_queue` in `UDF`.

11.1.3 Fixed

- @YasushiMiyata: Fix test code `test_postgres.py::test_cand_gen_cascading_delete`. (#538) (#539)
- @HiromuHota: Process the tail text only after child elements. (#333) (#520)

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11.2.1 Added

- @YasushiMiyata: Add `get_max_row_num()` to `fonduer.utils.data_model_utils.tabular`. (#469) (#480)
- @HiromuHota: Add `get_bbox()` to `Sentence` and `SpanMention`. (#429)
- @HiromuHota: Add a custom MLflow model that allows you to package a Fonduer model. See [here](#) for how to use it. (#259) (#407)
- @HiromuHota: Support spaCy v2.2. (#384) (#432)
- @wajdikhattel: Add multinary candidates. (#455) (#456)
- @HiromuHota: Add nullables to `candidate_subclass()` to allow NULL mention in a candidate. (#496) (#497)
- @HiromuHota: Copy textual functions in `data_model_utils.tabular` to `data_model_utils.textual`. (#503) (#505)

11.2.2 Changed

- @YasushiMiyata: Enable `RegexMatchSpan` with concatenates words by `sep="(separator)"` option. (#270) (#492)
- @HiromuHota: Enabled “Type hints (PEP 484) support for the Sphinx autodoc extension.” (#421)
- @HiromuHota: Switched the Cython wrapper for Mecab from `mecab-python3` to `fugashi`. Since the Japanese tokenizer remains the same, there should be no impact on users. (#384) (#432)
- @HiromuHota: Log a stack trace on parsing error for better debug experience. (#478) (#479)
- @HiromuHota: `get_cell_ngrams()` and `get_neighbor_cell_ngrams()` yield nothing when the mention is not tabular. (#471) (#504)

11.2.3 Deprecated

- @HiromuHota: Deprecated `bbox_from_span()` and `bbox_from_sentence()`. (#429)
- @HiromuHota: Deprecated `visualizer.get_box()` in favor of `span.get_bbox()`. (#445) (#446)
- @HiromuHota: Deprecate textual functions in `data_model_utils.tabular`. (#503) (#505)

11.2.4 Fixed

- @senwu: Fix `pdf_path` cannot be without a trailing slash. (#442) (#459)
- @kaikun213: Fix bug in table range difference calculations. (#420)
- @HiromuHota: `mention_extractor.apply` with `clear=True` now works even if it's not the first run. (#424)
- @HiromuHota: Fix `get_horz_ngrams()` and `get_vert_ngrams()` so that they work even when the input mention is not tabular. (#425) (#426)
- @HiromuHota: Fix the order of args to `Bbox`. (#443) (#444)
- @HiromuHota: Fix the non-deterministic behavior in `VisualLinker`. (#412) (#458)
- @HiromuHota: Fix an issue that the progress bar shows no progress on preprocessing by executing preprocessing and parsing in parallel. (#439)
- @HiromuHota: Adopt to `mlflow` $\geq 1.9.0$. (#461) (#463)
- @HiromuHota: Correct the entity type for `NumberMatcher` from "NUMBER" to "CARDINAL". (#473) (#477)
- @HiromuHota: Fix `_get_axis_ngrams()` not to return `None` when the input is not tabular. (#481)
- @HiromuHota: Fix `Visualizer.display_candidates()` not to draw rectangles on wrong pages. (#488)
- @HiromuHota: Persist doc only when no error happens during parsing. (#489) (#490)

11.3 0.8.2 - 2020-04-28

11.3.1 Deprecated

- @HiromuHota: Use of undecorated labeling functions is deprecated and will not be supported as of v0.9.0. Please decorate them with `snorkel.labeling.labeling_function`.

11.3.2 Fixed

- @HiromuHota: Labeling functions can now be decorated with `snorkel.labeling.labeling_function`. (#400) (#401)

11.4 0.8.1 - 2020-04-13

11.4.1 Added

- @senwu: Add *mode* argument in `create_task` to support *STL* and *MTL*.

Note: Fonduer has a new *mode* argument to support switching between different learning modes (e.g., *STL* or *MLT*). Example usage:

```
# Create task for each relation.
tasks = create_task(
    task_names = TASK_NAMES,
    n_arities = N_ARITIES,
    n_features = N_FEATURES,
    n_classes = N_CLASSES,
    emb_layer = EMB_LAYER,
    model="LogisticRegression",
    mode = MODE,
)
```

11.5 0.8.0 - 2020-04-07

11.5.1 Changed

- @senwu: Switch to Emmental as the default learning engine.

Note: Rather than maintaining a separate learning engine, we switch to Emmental, a deep learning framework for multi-task learning. Switching to a more general learning framework allows Fonduer to support more applications and multi-task learning. Example usage:

```
# With Emmental, you need do following steps to perform learning:
# 1. Create task for each relations and EmmentalModel to learn those tasks.
# 2. Wrap candidates into EmmentalDataLoader for training.
# 3. Training and inference (prediction).

import emmental

# Collect word counter from candidates which is used in LSTM model.
word_counter = collect_word_counter(train_cands)

# Initialize Emmental. For customize Emmental, please check here:
# https://emmental.readthedocs.io/en/latest/user/config.html
emmental.init(fonduer.Meta.log_path)

#####
# 1. Create task for each relations and EmmentalModel to learn those tasks.
#####

# Generate special tokens which are used for LSTM model to locate mentions.
# In LSTM model, we pad sentence with special tokens to help LSTM to learn
# those mentions. Example:
```

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```

# Original sentence: Then Barack married Michelle.
# -> Then ~[[1 Barack 1]]~ married ~[[2 Michelle 2]]~.
arity = 2
special_tokens = []
for i in range(arity):
    special_tokens += [f"~[[{i}]", f"{i}]~"]

# Generate word embedding module for LSTM.
emb_layer = EmbeddingModule(
    word_counter=word_counter, word_dim=300, specials=special_tokens
)

# Create task for each relation.
tasks = create_task(
    ATTRIBUTE,
    2,
    F_train[0].shape[1],
    2,
    emb_layer,
    model="LogisticRegression",
)

# Create Emmental model to learn the tasks.
model = EmmentalModel(name=f"{ATTRIBUTE}_task")

# Add tasks into model
for task in tasks:
    model.add_task(task)

#####
# 2. Wrap candidates into EmmentalDataLoader for training.
#####

# Here we only use the samples that have labels, which we filter out the
# samples that don't have significant marginals.
diffs = train_marginals.max(axis=1) - train_marginals.min(axis=1)
train_idxxs = np.where(diffs > 1e-6)[0]

# Create a dataloader with weakly supervised samples to learn the model.
train_dataloader = EmmentalDataLoader(
    task_to_label_dict={ATTRIBUTE: "labels"},
    dataset=FonduerDataset(
        ATTRIBUTE,
        train_cands[0],
        F_train[0],
        emb_layer.word2id,
        train_marginals,
        train_idxxs,
    ),
    split="train",
    batch_size=100,
    shuffle=True,
)

# Create test dataloader to do prediction.
# Build test dataloader

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```

test_dataloader = EmmentalDataLoader(
    task_to_label_dict={ATTRIBUTE: "labels"},
    dataset=FonduerDataset(
        ATTRIBUTE, test_cands[0], F_test[0], emb_layer.word2id, 2
    ),
    split="test",
    batch_size=100,
    shuffle=False,
)

#####
# 3. Training and inference (prediction).
#####

# Learning those tasks.
emmental_learner = EmmentalLearner()
emmental_learner.learn(model, [train_dataloader])

# Predict based the learned model.
test_preds = model.predict(test_dataloader, return_preds=True)

```

- @HiromuHota: Change ABSTAIN to -1 to be compatible with Snorkel of 0.9.X. Accordingly, user-defined labels should now be 0-indexed (used to be 1-indexed). (#310) (#320)
- @HiromuHota: Use executemany_mode="batch" instead of deprecated use_batch_mode=True. (#358)
- @HiromuHota: Use tqdm.notebook.tqdm instead of deprecated tqdm.tqdm_notebook. (#360)
- @HiromuHota: To support ImageMagick7, expand the version range of Wand. (#373)
- @HiromuHota: Comply with PEP 561 for type-checking codes that use Fonduer.
- @HiromuHota: Make UDF.apply of all child classes unaware of the database backend, meaning PostgreSQL is not required if UDF.apply is directly used instead of UDFRunner.apply. (#316) (#368)

11.5.2 Fixed

- @senwu: Fix mention extraction to return mention classes instead of data model classes.

11.6 0.7.1 - 2019-11-06

11.6.1 Added

- @senwu: Refactor *Featurization* to support user defined customized feature extractors and rename existing feature extractors' name to match the paper.

Note: Rather than using a fixed multimodal feature library along, we have added an interface for users to provide customized feature extractors. Please see our full documentation for details.

```

from fonduer.features import Featurizer, FeatureExtractor

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```
# Example feature extractor
def feat_ext(candidates):
    for candidate in candidates:
        yield candidate.id, f"{candidate.id}", 1

feature_extractors=FeatureExtractor(customize_feature_funcs=[feat_ext])
featurizer = Featurizer(session, [PartTemp], feature_extractors=feature_extractors)
```

Rather than:

```
from fonduer.features import Featurizer

featurizer = Featurizer(session, [PartTemp])
```

- @HiromuHota: Add page argument to `get_pdf_dim` in case pages have different dimensions.
- @HiromuHota: Add `Labeler#upsert_keys`.
- @HiromuHota: Add `vizlink` as an argument to `Parser` to be able to plug a custom visual linker. Unless otherwise specified, `VisualLinker` will be used by default.

Note: Example usage:

```
from fonduer.parser.visual_linker import VisualLinker
class CustomVisualLinker(VisualLinker):
    def __init__(self):
        """Your code"""

    def link(self, document_name: str, sentences: Iterable[Sentence], pdf_path: str) -
    ↪ Iterable[Sentence]:
        """Your code"""

    def is_linkable(self, filename: str) -> bool:
        """Your code"""

from fonduer.parser import Parser
parser = Parser(session, vizlink=CustomVisualLinker())
```

- @HiromuHota: Add `LingualParser`, which any lingual parser like `Spacy` should inherit from, and add `lingual_parser` as an argument to `Parser` to be able to plug a custom lingual parser.
- @HiromuHota: Annotate types to some of the classes incl. preprocessors and parser/models.
- @HiromuHota: Add table argument to `Labeler.apply` (and `Labeler.update`), which can now be used to annotate gold labels.

Note: Example usage:

```
# Define a LF for gold labels
def gold(c: Candidate) -> int:
    if some condition:
        return TRUE
    else:
        return FALSE
```

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```
labeler = Labeler(session, [PartTemp, PartVolt])
# Annotate gold labels
labeler.apply(docs=docs, lfs=[[gold], [gold]], table=GoldLabel, train=True)
# A label matrix can be obtained using the name of annotator, "gold" in this case
L_train_gold = labeler.get_gold_labels(train_cands, annotator="gold")
# Annotate (noisy) labels
labeler.apply(split=0, lfs=[[LF1, LF2, LF3], [LF4, LF5]], train=True)
```

Note that the method name, “gold” in this example, is referred to as annotator.

11.6.2 Changed

- @HiromuHota: Load a spaCy model if possible during `Spacy#__init__`.
- @HiromuHota: Rename `Spacy` to `SpacyParser`.
- @HiromuHota: Rename `SimpleTokenizer` into `SimpleParser` and let it inherit `LingualParser`.
- @HiromuHota: Move all lingual parsers into `lingual_parser` folder.
- @HiromuHota: Make `load_lang_model` private as a model is internally loaded during `init`.
- @HiromuHota: Add a unit test for `Parser` with `tabular=False`. (#261)
- @HiromuHota: Now `longest_match_only` of `Union`, `Intersect`, and `Inverse` override that of child matchers.
- @HiromuHota: Use the official name “beautifulsoup4” instead of an alias “bs4”. (#306)
- @HiromuHota: Pin `PyTorch` on 1.1.0 to align with `Snorkel` of 0.9.X.
- @HiromuHota: Depend on `psycogp2` instead of `psycogp2-binary` as the latter is not recommended for production.
- @HiromuHota: Change the default value for `delim` of `SimpleParser` from “<NB>” to “?”. (#272)

11.6.3 Deprecated

- @HiromuHota: `Classifier` and its subclass `disc_models` are deprecated, and in v0.8.0 they will be removed.

11.6.4 Removed

- @HiromuHota: Remove `__repr__` from each mixin class as the referenced attributes are not available.
- @HiromuHota: Remove the dependency on `nltk`, but `PorterStemmer()` can still be used, if it is provided as `DictionaryMatch(stemmer=PorterStemmer())`.
- @HiromuHota: Remove `_NgramMatcher` and `_FigureMatcher` as they are no longer needed.
- @HiromuHota: Remove the dependency on `Pandas` and `visual_linker._display_links`.

11.6.5 Fixed

- @senwu: Fix legacy code bug in `SymbolTable`.
- @HiromuHota: Fix the type of `max_docs`.
- @HiromuHota: Associate sentence with section and paragraph no matter what `tabular` is. (#261)
- @HiromuHota: Add a safeguard that prevents from accessing `Meta.engine` before it is assigned. Also this change allows creating a `mention/candidate` subclass even before `Meta` is initialized.
- @HiromuHota: Create an `Engine` and open a connection in each child process. (#323)
- @HiromuHota: Fix `featurizer.apply(docs=train_docs)` fails on clearing. (#250)
- @HiromuHota: Correct `abs_char_offsets` to make it absolute. (#332)
- @HiromuHota: Fix deadlock error during `Labeler.apply` and `Featurizer.apply`. (#328)
- @HiromuHota: Avoid `networkx 2.4` so that `snorkel-metal` does not use the removed API.
- @HiromuHota: Fix the issue that `Labeler.apply` with `docs` instead of `split` fails. (#340)
- @HiromuHota: Make `mention/candidate_subclasses` and their objects picklable.
- @HiromuHota: Make `Visualizer#display_candidates` mention-type argnostic.
- @HiromuHota: Ensure labels get updated when LFs are updated. (#336)

11.7 0.7.0 - 2019-06-12

11.7.1 Added

- @HiromuHota: Add notes about the current implementation of data models.
- @HiromuHota: Add `Featurizer#upsert_keys`.
- @HiromuHota: Update the doc for OS X about an external dependency on `libomp`.
- @HiromuHota: Add `test_classifier.py` to unit test `Classifier` and its subclasses.
- @senwu: Add `test_simple_tokenizer.py` to unit test `simple_tokenizer`.
- @HiromuHota: Add `test_spacy_parser.py` to unit test `spacy_parser`.

11.7.2 Changed

- @HiromuHota: Assign a section for mention spaces.
- @HiromuHota: Incorporate `entity_confusion_matrix` as a first-class citizen and rename it to `confusion_matrix` because it can be used both entity-level and mention-level.
- @HiromuHota: Separate `Spacy#_split_sentences_by_char_limit` to test itself.
- @HiromuHota: Refactor the custom `sentence_boundary_detector` for readability and efficiency.
- @HiromuHota: Remove a redundant argument, `document`, from `Spacy#split_sentences`.
- @HiromuHota: Refactor `TokenPreservingTokenizer` for readability.

11.7.3 Removed

- @HiromuHota: Remove `data_model_utils.tabular.same_document`, which always returns True because a candidate can only have mentions from the same document under the current implementation of `CandidateExtractorUDF`.

11.7.4 Fixed

- @senwu: Fix the doc about the PostgreSQL version requirement.

11.8 0.6.2 - 2019-04-01

11.8.1 Fixed

- @lukehshiao: Fix Meta initialization bug which would configure logging upon import rather than allowing the user to configure logging themselves.

11.9 0.6.1 - 2019-03-29

11.9.1 Added

- @senwu: update the spacy version to v2.1.x.
- @lukehshiao: provide `fonduer.init_logging()` as a way to configure logging to a temp directory by default.

Note: Although you can still configure logging manually, with this change we also provide a function for initializing logging. For example, you can call:

```
import logging
import fonduer

# Optionally configure logging
fonduer.init_logging(
    log_dir="log_folder",
    format="[%(asctime)s][%(levelname)s] %(name)s:%(lineno)s - %(message)s",
    level=logging.INFO
)

session = fonduer.Meta.init(conn_string).Session()
```

which will create logs within the `log_folder` directory. If logging is not explicitly initialized, we will provide a default configuration which will store logs in a temporary directory.

11.9.2 Changed

- @senwu: Update the whole logging strategy.

Note: For the whole logging strategy:

With this change, the running log is stored `fonduer.log` in the `{fonduer.Meta.log_path}/{datetime}` folder. User can specify it using `fonduer.init_logging()`. It also contains the learning logs `init`.

For learning logging strategy:

Previously, the model checkpoints are stored in the user provided folder by `save_dir` and the name for checkpoint is `{model_name}.mdl.ckpt.{global_step}`.

With this change, the model is saved in the subfolder of the same folder `fonduer.Meta.log_path` with log file. Each learning run creates a subfolder under name `{datetime}_{model_name}` with all model checkpoints and tensorboard log file `init`. To use the tensorboard to check the learning curve, run `tensorboard --logdir LOG_FOLDER`.

11.9.3 Fixed

- @senwu: Change the exception condition to make sure parser run end to end.
- @lukehshiao: Fix parser error when text was located in the `tail` of an LXML table node..
- @HiromuHota: Store lemmas and `pos_tags` in case they are returned from a tokenizer.
- @HiromuHota: Use `unidic` instead of `ipadic` for Japanese. (#231)
- @senwu: Use `mecab-python3` version 0.7 for Japanese tokenization since `spaCy` only support version 0.7.
- @HiromuHota: Use `black` 18.9b0 or higher to be consistent with `isort`. (#225)
- @HiromuHota: Workaround no longer required for Japanese as of `spaCy` v2.1.0. (#224)
- @senwu: Update the `metal` version.
- @senwu: Expose the `b` and `pos_label` in training.
- @senwu: Fix the issue that `pdfinfo` causes parsing error when it contains more than one `Page`.

11.10 0.6.0 - 2019-02-17

11.10.1 Changed

- @lukehshiao: improved performance of `data_model_utils` through caching and simplifying the underlying queries. (#212, #215)
- @senwu: upgrade to `PyTorch` v1.0.0. (#209)

11.10.2 Removed

- @lukehshiao: Removed the redundant `get_gold_labels` function.

Note: Rather than calling `get_gold_labels` directly, call it from the `Labeler`:

```
from fonduer.supervision import Labeler
labeler = Labeler(session, [relations])
L_gold_train = labeler.get_gold_labels(train_cands, annotator='gold')
```

Rather than:

```
from fonduer.supervision import Labeler, get_gold_labels
labeler = Labeler(session, [relations])
L_gold_train = get_gold_labels(session, train_cands, annotator_name='gold')
```

11.10.3 Fixed

- @senwu: Improve type checking in featurization.
- @lukehshiao: Fixed `sentence.sentence_num` bug in `get_neighbor_sentence_ngrams`.
- @lukehshiao: Add session synchronization to sqlalchemy delete queries. (#214)
- @lukehshiao: Update PyYAML dependency to patch CVE-2017-18342. (#205)
- @KenSugimoto: Fix max/min in `visualizer.get_box`

11.11 0.5.0 - 2019-01-01

11.11.1 Added

- @senwu: Support CSV, TSV, Text input data format. For CSV format, `CSVDocPreprocessor` treats each line in the input file as a document. It assumes that each column is one section and content in each column as one paragraph as default. However, if the column is complex, an advanced parser may be used by specifying `parser_rule` parameter in a dict format where key is the column index and value is the specific parser.

Note:

In Fonduer v0.5.0, you can use `CSVDocPreprocessor`:

```
from fonduer.parser import Parser
from fonduer.parser.preprocessors import CSVDocPreprocessor
from fonduer.utils.utils_parser import column_constructor

max_docs = 10

# Define specific parser for the third column (index 2), which takes
→ ``text``,
# ``name=None``, ``type="text"``, and ``delim=None`` as input and generate
# ``(content type, content name, content)`` for ``build_node``
# in ``fonduer.utils.utils_parser``.
```

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```

parser_rule = {
    2: partial(column_constructor, type="figure"),
}

doc_preprocessor = CSVDocPreprocessor(
    PATH_TO_DOCS, max_docs=max_docs, header=True, parser_rule=parser_rule
)

corpus_parser = Parser(session, structural=True, lingual=True, visual=False)
corpus_parser.apply(doc_preprocessor, parallelism=PARALLEL)

all_docs = corpus_parser.get_documents()

```

For TSV format, `TSVDocPreprocessor` assumes each line in input file as a document which should follow (doc_name <tab> doc_text) format.

For Text format, `TextDocPreprocessor` assumes one document per file.

11.11.2 Changed

- **@senwu:** Reorganize learning module to use pytorch dataloader, include `MultiModalDataset` to better handle multimodal information, and simplify the code
- **@senwu:** Remove `batch_size` input argument from `_calc_logits`, `marginals`, `predict`, and `score` in `Classifier`
- **@senwu:** Rename `predictions` to `predict` in `Classifier` and update the input arguments to have `pos_label` (assign positive label for binary class prediction) and `return_probs` (If `True`, return predict probabilities as well)
- **@senwu:** Update `score` function in `Classifier` to include: (1) For binary: precision, recall, F-beta score, accuracy, ROC-AUC score; (2) For categorical: accuracy;
- **@senwu:** Remove `LabelBalancer`
- **@senwu:** Remove original `Classifier` class, rename `NoiseAwareModel` to `Classifier` and use the same setting for both binary and multi-class classifier
- **@senwu:** Unify the loss (`SoftCrossEntropyLoss`) for all settings
- **@senwu:** Rename `layers` in learning module to `modules`
- **@senwu:** Update code to use Python 3.6+'s f-strings
- **@HiromuHota:** Reattach doc with the current session at `MentionExtractorUDF#apply` to avoid doing so at each `MentionSpace`.

11.11.3 Fixed

- @HiromuHota: Modify docstring of functions that return `get_sparse_matrix`
- @lukehshiao: Fix the behavior of `get_last_documents` to return Documents that are correctly linked to the database and can be navigated by the user. (#201)
- @lukehshiao: Fix the behavior of `MentionExtractor` `clear` and `clear_all` to also delete the Candidates that correspond to the Mentions.

11.12 0.4.1 - 2018-12-12

11.12.1 Added

- @senwu: Added alpha spacy support for Chinese tokenizer.

11.12.2 Changed

- @lukehshiao: Add soft version pinning to avoid failures due to dependency API changes.
- @j-rausch: Change `get_row_ngrams` and `get_col_ngrams` to return `None` if the passed `Mention` argument is not inside a table. (#194)

11.12.3 Fixed

- @senwu: fix non-deterministic issue from `get_candidates` and `get_mentions` by parallel candidate/mention generation.

11.13 0.4.0 - 2018-11-27

11.13.1 Added

- @senwu: Rename `span` attribute to `context` in `mention_subclass` to better support multimedial mentions. (#184)

Note: The way to retrieve corresponding data model object from `mention` changed. In Fonduer v0.3.6, we use `.span`:

```
# sent_mention is a SentenceMention
sentence = sent_mention.span.sentence
```

With this release, we use `.context`:

```
# sent_mention is a SentenceMention
sentence = sent_mention.context.sentence
```

- @senwu: Add support to extract multimodal candidates and add `DoNothingMatcher` matcher. (#184)

Note: The Mention extraction support all data types in data model. In Fonduer v0.3.6, Mention extraction only supports `MentionNgrams` and `MentionFigures`:

```
from fonduer.candidates import (  
    MentionFigures,  
    MentionNgrams,  
)
```

With this release, it supports all data types:

```
from fonduer.candidates import (  
    MentionCaptions,  
    MentionCells,  
    MentionDocuments,  
    MentionFigures,  
    MentionNgrams,  
    MentionParagraphs,  
    MentionSections,  
    MentionSentences,  
    MentionTables,  
)
```

- @senwu: Add support to parse multiple sections in parser, fix webpage context, and add name column for each context in data model. (#182)

11.13.2 Fixed

- @senwu: Remove unnecessary backref in mention generation.
- @j-rausch: Improve error handling for invalid row spans. (#183)

11.14 0.3.6 - 2018-11-15

11.14.1 Fixed

- @lukehshiao: Updated snorkel-metal version requirement to ensure new syntax works when a user upgrades Fonduer.
- @lukehshiao: Improve error messages on PostgreSQL connection and update FAQ.

11.15 0.3.5 - 2018-11-04

11.15.1 Added

- @senwu: Add `SparseLSTM` support reducing the memory used by the LSTM for large applications. (#175)

Note: With the `SparseLSTM` discriminative model, we save memory for the origin LSTM model while sacrificing runtime. In Fonduer v0.3.5, `SparseLSTM` is as follows:

```
from fonduer.learning import SparseLSTM

disc_model = SparseLSTM()
disc_model.train(
    (train_cands, train_feature), train_marginals, n_epochs=5, lr=0.001
)
```

11.15.2 Fixed

- @senwu: Fix issue with `get_last_documents` returning the incorrect number of docs and update the tests. (#176)
- @senwu: Use the latest MeTaL syntax and fix flake8 issues. (#173)

11.16 0.3.4 - 2018-10-17

11.16.1 Changed

- @senwu: Use sqlalchemy to check connection string. Use postgresql instead of postgres in connection string.

11.16.2 Fixed

- @lukehshiao: The features/labels/gold_label key tables were not properly designed for multiple relations in that they indistinguishably shared the global index of keys. This fixes this issue by including the names of the relations associated with each key. In addition, this ensures that clearing a single relation, or relabeling a single training relation does not inadvertently corrupt the global index of keys. (#167)

11.17 0.3.3 - 2018-09-27

11.17.1 Changed

- @lukehshiao: Added `longest_match_only` parameter to `LambdaFunctionMatcher`, which defaults to `False`, rather than `True`. (#165)

11.17.2 Fixed

- @lukehshiao: Fixes the behavior of the `get_between_ngrams` data model util. (#164)
- @lukehshiao: Batch queries so that PostgreSQL buffers aren't exceeded. (#162)

11.18 0.3.2 - 2018-09-20

11.18.1 Changed

- @lukehshiao: MentionNgrams `split_tokens` now defaults to an empty list and splits on all occurrences, rather than just the first occurrence.
- @j-rausch: Parser will now skip documents with parsing errors rather than crashing.

11.18.2 Fixed

- @lukehshiao: Fix attribute error when using MentionFigures.

11.19 0.3.1 - 2018-09-18

11.19.1 Fixed

- @lukehshiao: Fix the layers module in `fonduer.learning.disc_models.layers`.

11.20 0.3.0 - 2018-09-18

11.20.1 Added

- @lukehshiao: Add supporting functions for incremental knowledge base construction. (#154)
- @j-rausch: Added alpha spacy support for Japanese tokenizer.
- @senwu: Add sparse logistic regression support.
- @senwu: Support Python 3.7.
- @lukehshiao: Allow user to change featurization settings by providing `.fonduer-config.yaml` in their project.
- @lukehshiao: Add a new Mention object, and have Candidate objects be composed of Mention objects, rather than directly of Spans. This allows a single Mention to be reused in multiple relations.
- @lukehshiao: Improved connection-string validation for the Meta class.

11.20.2 Changed

- @j-rausch: `Document.text` now returns the modified document text, based on the user-defined html-tag stripping in the parsing stage.
- @j-rausch: Ngrams now has a `n_min` argument to specify a minimum number of tokens per extracted n-gram.
- @lukehshiao: Rename `BatchLabelAnnotator` to `Labeler` and `BatchFeatureAnnotator` to `Featurizer`. The classes now support multiple relations.
- @j-rausch: Made spacy tokenizer to default tokenizer, as long as there is (alpha) support for the chosen language. ``lingual`` argument now specifies whether additional spacy NLP processing shall be performed.
- @senwu: Reorganize the disc model structure. (#126)

- @lukehshiao: Add `session` and `parallelism` as a parameter to all UDF classes.
- @j-rausch: Sentence splitting in lingual mode is now performed by `spacy`'s `sentencizer` instead of the dependency parser. This can lead to variations in sentence segmentation and tokenization.
- @j-rausch: Added `language` argument to `Parser` for specification of language used by `spacy_parser`. E.g. `language='en'`.
- @senwu: Change weak supervision learning framework from `numbskull` to *MeTaL* <<https://github.com/HazyResearch/metal>>. (#119)
- @senwu: Change learning framework from Tensorflow to PyTorch. (#115)
- @lukehshiao: Blacklist `<script>` nodes by default when parsing HTML docs.
- @lukehshiao: Reorganize `ReadTheDocs` structure to mirror the repository structure. Now, each pipeline phase's user-facing API is clearly shown.
- @lukehshiao: Rather than importing ambiguously from `fonduer` directly, disperse imports into their respective pipeline phases. This eliminates circular dependencies, and makes imports more explicit and clearer to the user where each import is originating from.
- @lukehshiao: Provide debug logging of external subprocess calls.
- @lukehshiao: Use `tdqm` for progress bar (including multiprocessing).
- @lukehshiao: Set the default PostgreSQL client encoding to "utf8".
- @lukehshiao: Organize documentation for `data_model_utils` by modality. (#85)
- @lukehshiao: Rename `lf_helpers` to `data_model_utils`, since they can be applied more generally to throttlers or used for error analysis, and are not limited to just being used in labeling functions.
- @lukehshiao: Update the CHANGELOG to start following [KeepAChangelog](#) conventions.

11.20.3 Removed

- @lukehshiao: Remove the `XMLMultiDocPreprocessor`.
- @lukehshiao: Remove the `reduce` option for UDFs, which were unused.
- @lukehshiao: Remove `get parent/children/sentence` generator from `Context`. (#87)
- @lukehshiao: Remove dependency on `pdftotree`, which is currently unused.

11.20.4 Fixed

- @j-rausch: Improve `spacy_parser` performance. We split the lingual parsing pipeline into two stages. First, we parse structure and gather all sentences for a document. Then, we merge and feed all sentences per document into the `spacy` NLP pipeline for more efficient processing.
- @senwu: Speed-up of `_get_node` using caching.
- @HiromuHota: Fixed bug with Ngram splitting and empty `TemporarySpans`. (#108, #112)
- @lukehshiao: Fixed PDF path validation when using `visual=True` during parsing.
- @lukehshiao: Fix Meta bug which would not switch databases when `init()` was called with a new connection string.

Note: With the addition of Mentions, the process of Candidate extraction has changed. In Fonduer v0.2.3, Candidate extraction was as follows:

```

candidate_extractor = CandidateExtractor(PartAttr,
                                       [part_ngrams, attr_ngrams],
                                       [part_matcher, attr_matcher],
                                       candidate_filter=candidate_filter)

candidate_extractor.apply(docs, split=0, parallelism=PARALLEL)

```

With this release, you will now first extract Mentions and then extract Candidates based on those Mentions:

```

# Mention Extraction
part_ngrams = MentionNgramsPart(parts_by_doc=None, n_max=3)
temp_ngrams = MentionNgramsTemp(n_max=2)
volt_ngrams = MentionNgramsVolt(n_max=1)

Part = mention_subclass("Part")
Temp = mention_subclass("Temp")
Volt = mention_subclass("Volt")
mention_extractor = MentionExtractor(
    session,
    [Part, Temp, Volt],
    [part_ngrams, temp_ngrams, volt_ngrams],
    [part_matcher, temp_matcher, volt_matcher],
)
mention_extractor.apply(docs, split=0, parallelism=PARALLEL)

# Candidate Extraction
PartTemp = candidate_subclass("PartTemp", [Part, Temp])
PartVolt = candidate_subclass("PartVolt", [Part, Volt])

candidate_extractor = CandidateExtractor(
    session,
    [PartTemp, PartVolt],
    throttlers=[temp_throttler, volt_throttler]
)

candidate_extractor.apply(docs, split=0, parallelism=PARALLEL)

```

Furthermore, because Candidates are now composed of Mentions rather than directly of Spans, to get the Span object from a mention, use the `.span` attribute of a Mention.

Note: Fonduer has been reorganized to require more explicit import syntax. In Fonduer v0.2.3, nearly everything was imported directly from `fonduer`:

```

from fonduer import (
    CandidateExtractor,
    DictionaryMatch,
    Document,
    FeatureAnnotator,
    GenerativeModel,
    HTMLDocPreprocessor,
    Intersect,
    LabelAnnotator,
    LambdaFunctionMatcher,
    MentionExtractor,
    Meta,

```

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```

Parser,
RegexMatchSpan,
Sentence,
SparseLogisticRegression,
Union,
candidate_subclass,
load_gold_labels,
mention_subclass,
)

```

With this release, you will now import from each pipeline phase. This makes imports more explicit and allows you to more clearly see which pipeline phase each import is associated with:

```

from fonduer import Meta
from fonduer.candidates import CandidateExtractor, MentionExtractor
from fonduer.candidates.matchers import (
    DictionaryMatch,
    Intersect,
    LambdaFunctionMatcher,
    RegexMatchSpan,
    Union,
)
from fonduer.candidates.models import candidate_subclass, mention_subclass
from fonduer.features import Featurizer
from metal.label_model import LabelModel # GenerativeModel in v0.2.3
from fonduer.learning import SparseLogisticRegression
from fonduer.parser import Parser
from fonduer.parser.models import Document, Sentence
from fonduer.parser.preprocessors import HTMLDocPreprocessor
from fonduer.supervision import Labeler, get_gold_labels

```

11.21 0.2.3 - 2018-07-23

11.21.1 Added

- @lukehshiao: Support Figures nested in Cell contexts and Paragraphs in Figure contexts. (#84)

11.22 0.2.2 - 2018-07-22

Note: Version 0.2.0 and 0.2.1 had to be skipped due to errors in uploading those versions to PyPi. Consequently, v0.2.2 is the version directly after v0.1.8.

Warning: This release is NOT backwards compatible with v0.1.8. The code has now been refactored into submodules, where each submodule corresponds with a phase of the Fonduer pipeline. Consequently, you may need to adjust the paths of your imports from Fonduer.

11.22.1 Added

- @senwu: Add branding, OSX tests. (#61, #62)
- @lukehshiao: Update the Data Model to include Caption, Section, Paragraph. (#76, #77, #78)

11.22.2 Changed

- @senwu: Split up If_helpers into separate files for each modality. (#81)
- @lukehshiao: Rename to Phrase to Sentence. (#72)
- @lukehshiao: Split models and preprocessors into individual files. (#60, #64)

11.22.3 Removed

- @lukehshiao: Remove the futures imports, truly making Fonduer Python 3 only. Also reorganize the codebase into submodules for each pipeline phase. (#59)

11.22.4 Fixed

- A variety of small bugfixes and code cleanup. ([view milestone](#))

11.23 0.1.8 - 2018-06-01

11.23.1 Added

- @prabh06: Extend styles parsing and add regex search (#52)

11.23.2 Removed

- @senwu: Remove the Viewer, which is unused in Fonduer (#55)
- @lukehshiao: Remove unnecessary encoding in __repr__ (#50)

11.23.3 Fixed

- @senwu: Fix SimpleTokenizer for lingual features are disabled (#53)
- @lukehshiao: Fix LocationMatch NER tags for spaCy (#50)

11.24 0.1.7 - 2018-04-04

Warning: This release is NOT backwards compatible with v0.1.6. Specifically, the `snorkel` submodule in `fonduer` has been removed. Any previous imports of the form:

```
from fonduer.snorkel._ import _
```

Should drop the `snorkel` submodule:

```
from fonduer._ import _
```

Tip: To leverage the logging output of Fonduer, such as in a Jupyter Notebook, you can configure a logger in your application:

```
import logging

logging.basicConfig(stream=sys.stdout, format='[%(levelname)s] %(name)s - %(message)s
↪')
log = logging.getLogger('fonduer')
log.setLevel(logging.INFO)
```

11.24.1 Added

- @lukehshiao: Add `If_helpers` to `ReadTheDocs` (#42)

11.24.2 Removed

- @lukehshiao: Remove SQLite code, switch to logging, and absorb `snorkel` codebase directly into the `fonduer` package for simplicity (#44)
- @lukehshiao: Remove unused package dependencies (#41)

11.25 0.1.6 - 2018-03-31

11.25.1 Changed

- @lukehshiao: Switch README from Markdown to reStructuredText

11.25.2 Fixed

- @senwu: Fix support for providing a PostgreSQL username and password as part of the connection string provided to `Meta.init()` (#40)

11.26 0.1.5 - 2018-03-31

Warning: This release is NOT backwards compatible with v0.1.4. Specifically, in order to initialize a session with postgresql, you no longer do

```
os.environ['SNORKELDB'] = 'postgres://localhost:5432/' + DBNAME
from fonduer import SnorkelSession
session = SnorkelSession()
```

which had the side-effects of manipulating your database tables on import (or creating a `snorkel.db` file if you forgot to set the environment variable). Now, you use the `Meta` class to initialize your session:

```
from fonduer import Meta
session = Meta.init("postgres://localhost:5432/" + DBNAME).Session()
```

No side-effects occur until `Meta` is initialized.

11.26.1 Removed

- @lukehshiao: Remove reliance on environment vars and remove side-effects of importing fonduer (#36)

11.26.2 Fixed

- @lukehshiao: Bring codebase in PEP8 compliance and add automatic code-style checks (#37)

11.27 0.1.4 - 2018-03-30

11.27.1 Changed

- @lukehshiao: Separate tutorials into their own repo (#31)

11.28 0.1.3 - 2018-03-29

11.28.1 Fixed

Minor hotfix to the README formatting for PyPi.

11.29 0.1.2 - 2018-03-29

11.29.1 Added

- [@lukehshiao](#): Deploy Fonduer to PyPi using Travis-CI

INSTALLATION

To test changes in the package, you install it in [editable mode](#) locally in your virtualenv by running:

```
$ make dev
```

This will also install our pre-commit hooks and local packages needed for style checks.

Tip: If you need to install a locally edited version of `fonduer` in a separate location, such as an application, you can directly install your locally modified version:

```
$ pip install -e path/to/fonduer/
```

in the virtualenv of your application.

TESTING

We use `pytest` to run our tests. Our tests are all located in the `tests` directory in the repo, and are meant to be run *after installing* Fonduer locally.

You need PostgreSQL running locally with `trust authentication` enabled. You'll also need to download the external test data:

```
$ cd tests/  
$ ./download_data.sh  
$ cd ..
```

Then, you'll be able to run our tests:

```
$ make test
```


CODE STYLE

For code consistency, we have a [pre-commit](#) configuration file so that you can easily install pre-commit hooks to run style checks before you commit your files. You can setup our pre-commit hooks by running:

```
$ pip install -r requirements-dev.txt
$ pre-commit install
```

Or, just run:

```
$ make dev
```

Now, each time you commit, checks will be run using the packages explained below.

We use [black](#) as our Python code formatter with its default settings. Black helps minimize the line diffs and allows you to not worry about formatting during your own development. Just run black on each of your files before committing them.

Tip: Whatever editor you use, we recommend checking out [black editor integrations](#) to help make the code formatting process just a few keystrokes.

For sorting imports, we rely on [isort](#). Our repository already includes a `.isort.cfg` that is compatible with black. You can run a code style check on your local machine by running our checks:

```
$ make check
```

14.1 Docstring format

We use [Sphinx](#) to build documentation. While Sphinx's `autodoc` extension, which automatically generates documentation from docstring, supports several docstring formats, we use [Sphinx docstring format](#). A typical Sphinx docstring looks like the following:

Listing 1: A typical Sphinx docstring

```
"""[Summary]

:param [ParamName]: [ParamDescription], defaults to [DefaultParamVal]
:type [ParamName]: [ParamType](, optional)
...
:raises [ErrorType]: [ErrorDescription]
...
```

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```
:return: [ReturnDescription]
:rtype: [ReturnType]
"""
```

where *:type* and *:rtype* can be omitted. Since we annotate functions with types (PEP 484), *:type* and *:rtype* in the docstring are redundant and hence not allowed in Fonduer. An example Fonduer docstring looks like:

Listing 2: An example Fonduer docstring

```
def greeting(name: str) -> str:
    """Return a greeting to a person.

    :param name: a person's name to greet.
    :return: a greeting string.
    """
    return 'Hello ' + name
```

Note that *:type* and *:rtype* are omitted and that the function is annotated with types.

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