

# .NET Framework

## DeepSpeech Class

### *class*

Concrete implementation of [DeepSpeechClient.Interfaces.IDeepSpeech](#).

#### Public Functions

##### **DeepSpeechClient.DeepSpeech.DeepSpeech(string aModelPath)**

Initializes a new instance of [DeepSpeech](#) class and creates a new acoustic model.

##### **Parameters**

- [aModelPath](#): The path to the frozen model graph.

##### **Exceptions**

- [ArgumentException](#): Thrown when the native binary failed to create the model.

##### **unsafe uint DeepSpeechClient.DeepSpeech.GetModelBeamWidth()**

Get beam width value used by the model. If SetModelBeamWidth was not called before, will return the default value loaded from the model file.

##### **Return**

Beam width value used by the model.

##### **unsafe void DeepSpeechClient.DeepSpeech.SetModelBeamWidth(uint aBeamWidth)**

Set beam width value used by the model.

##### **Parameters**

- [aBeamWidth](#): The beam width used by the decoder. A larger beam width value generates better results at the cost of decoding time.

##### **Exceptions**

- [ArgumentException](#): Thrown on failure.

##### **unsafe void DeepSpeechClient.DeepSpeech.AddHotWord(string aWord, float aBoost)**

Add a hot-word.

#### Parameters

- `aWord`: Some word
- `aBoost`: Some boost

#### Exceptions

- `ArgumentException`: Thrown on failure.

**unsafe void DeepSpeechClient.DeepSpeech.EraseHotWord(string aWord)**

Erase entry for a hot-word.

#### Parameters

- `aWord`: Some word

#### Exceptions

- `ArgumentException`: Thrown on failure.

**unsafe void DeepSpeechClient.DeepSpeech.ClearHotWords()**

Clear all hot-words.

#### Exceptions

- `ArgumentException`: Thrown on failure.

**unsafe int DeepSpeechClient.DeepSpeech.GetModelSampleRate()**

Return the sample rate expected by the model.

#### Return

Sample rate.

**unsafe void DeepSpeechClient.DeepSpeech.Dispose()**

Frees associated resources and destroys models objects.

**unsafe void DeepSpeechClient.DeepSpeech.EnableExternalScorer(string aScorerPath)**

Enable decoding using an external scorer.

#### Parameters

- `aScorerPath`: The path to the external scorer file.

#### Exceptions

- `ArgumentException`: Thrown when the native binary failed to enable decoding with an external scorer.
- `FileNotFoundException`: Thrown when cannot find the scorer file.

**unsafe void DeepSpeechClient.DeepSpeech.DisableExternalScorer()**

Disable decoding using an external scorer.

#### Exceptions

- `ArgumentException`: Thrown when an external scorer is not enabled.

```
unsafe void DeepSpeechClient.DeepSpeech.SetScorerAlphaBeta(float aAlpha, float aBeta)
```

Set hyperparameters alpha and beta of the external scorer.

#### Parameters

- `aAlpha`: The alpha hyperparameter of the decoder. Language model weight.
- `aBeta`: The beta hyperparameter of the decoder. Word insertion weight.

#### Exceptions

- `ArgumentException`: Thrown when an external scorer is not enabled.

```
unsafe void DeepSpeechClient.DeepSpeech.FeedAudioContent(DeepSpeechStream stream, short [] aBuffer, uint aBufferSize)
```

Feeds audio samples to an ongoing streaming inference.

#### Parameters

- `stream`: Instance of the stream to feed the data.
- `aBuffer`: An array of 16-bit, mono raw audio samples at the appropriate sample rate (matching what the model was trained on).

```
unsafe string DeepSpeechClient.DeepSpeech.FinishStream(DeepSpeechStream stream)
```

Closes the ongoing streaming inference, returns the STT result over the whole audio signal.

#### Return

The STT result.

#### Parameters

- `stream`: Instance of the stream to finish.

```
unsafe Metadata DeepSpeechClient.DeepSpeech.FinishStreamWithMetadata(DeepSpeechStream stream, uint aNumResults)
```

Closes the ongoing streaming inference, returns the STT result over the whole audio signal, including metadata.

## Return

The extended metadata result.

## Parameters

- `stream`: Instance of the stream to finish.
- `aNumResults`: Maximum number of candidate transcripts to return.  
Returned list might be smaller than this.

**unsafe string**

**DeepSpeechClient.DeepSpeech.IntermediateDecode(DeepSpeechStream stream)**

Computes the intermediate decoding of an ongoing streaming inference.

## Return

The STT intermediate result.

## Parameters

- `stream`: Instance of the stream to decode.

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**unsafe string DeepSpeechClient.DeepSpeech.Version()**

Return version of this library. The returned version is a semantic version (SemVer 2.0.0).

**unsafe DeepSpeechStream DeepSpeechClient.DeepSpeech.CreateStream()**

Creates a new streaming inference state.

**unsafe void DeepSpeechClient.DeepSpeech.FreeStream(DeepSpeechStream stream)**

Destroy a streaming state without decoding the computed logits. This can be used if you no longer need the result of an ongoing streaming inference and don't want to perform a costly decode operation.

```
unsafe string DeepSpeechClient.DeepSpeech.SpeechToText(short [] aBuffer, uint aBufferSize)
```

Use the [DeepSpeech](#) model to perform Speech-To-Text.

#### Return

The STT result. Returns NULL on error.

#### Parameters

- `aBuffer`: A 16-bit, mono raw audio signal at the appropriate sample rate (matching what the model was trained on).
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## DeepSpeechStream Class

```
class DeepSpeechStream : public IDisposable
```

Wrapper of the pointer used for the decoding stream.

#### Public Functions

```
unsafe DeepSpeechClient.Models.DeepSpeechStream.DeepSpeechStream(IntPtr  
** streamingStatePP)
```

Initializes a new instance of [DeepSpeechStream](#).

#### Parameters

- `streamingStatePP`: Native pointer of the native stream.

## ErrorCodes

See also the main definition including descriptions for each error in [Error codes](#).

### `enum DeepSpeechClient::Enums::ErrorCodes`

Error codes from the native [DeepSpeech](#) binary.

*Values:*

```
DS_ERR_OK = 0x0000
DS_ERR_NO_MODEL = 0x1000
DS_ERR_INVALID_ALPHABET = 0x2000
DS_ERR_INVALID_SHAPE = 0x2001
DS_ERR_INVALID_SCORER = 0x2002
DS_ERR_MODEL_INCOMPATIBLE = 0x2003
DS_ERR_SCORER_NOT_ENABLED = 0x2004
DS_ERR_FAIL_INIT_MMAP = 0x3000
DS_ERR_FAIL_INIT_SESS = 0x3001
DS_ERR_FAIL_INTERPRETER = 0x3002
DS_ERR_FAIL_RUN_SESS = 0x3003
DS_ERR_FAIL_CREATE_STREAM = 0x3004
DS_ERR_FAIL_READ_PROTOBUF = 0x3005
DS_ERR_FAIL_CREATE_SESS = 0x3006
DS_ERR_FAIL_INSERT_HOTWORD = 0x3008
DS_ERR_FAIL_CLEAR_HOTWORD = 0x3009
DS_ERR_FAIL_ERASE_HOTWORD = 0x3010
```

## Metadata

### `class Metadata`

Stores the entire CTC output as an array of character metadata objects.

**Property**

**property** `DeepSpeechClient::Models::Metadata::Transcripts`

List of candidate transcripts.

## CandidateTranscript

**class** `CandidateTranscript`

Stores the entire CTC output as an array of character metadata objects.

### Property

**property** `DeepSpeechClient::Models::CandidateTranscript::Confidence`

Approximated confidence value for this transcription.

**property** `DeepSpeechClient::Models::CandidateTranscript::Tokens`

List of metadata tokens containing text, timestep, and time offset.

## TokenMetadata

**class** `TokenMetadata`

Stores each individual character, along with its timing information.

### Public Members

**string** `DeepSpeechClient.Models.TokenMetadata.Text`

Char of the current timestep.

**int** `DeepSpeechClient.Models.TokenMetadata.Timestep`

Position of the character in units of 20ms.

**float** `DeepSpeechClient.Models.TokenMetadata.StartTime`

Position of the character in seconds.

## DeepSpeech Interface

**interface** `IDeepSpeech`

Client interface for [DeepSpeech](#)

Subclassed by [DeepSpeechClient.DeepSpeech](#)

## Public Functions

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## .NET API Usage example

Examples are from *native\_client/dotnet/DeepSpeechConsole/Program.cs*.

## Creating a model instance and loading model

```
57 using (IDeepSpeech sttClient = new DeepSpeech(model ??  
58 "output_graph.pbmm"))  
{
```

## Performing inference

```
93         if (extended)  
94         {  
95             Metadata metaResult =  
96 sttClient.SpeechToTextWithMetadata(waveBuffer.ShortBuffer,  
97                                     Convert.ToInt32(waveBuffer.MaxSize / 2), 1);  
98             speechResult = MetadataToString(metaResult.Transcripts[0]);  
99         }  
100        else  
101        {  
102             speechResult = sttClient.SpeechToText(waveBuffer.ShortBuffer,  
103                                                    Convert.ToInt32(waveBuffer.MaxSize / 2));  
104        }
```