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Presentation materials (including demo code):

https://github.com/DARIAH-FI-Survey-Concept-Network/Workshop-on-Survey-Statistics-2024 finnsurveytext

MOTIVATION

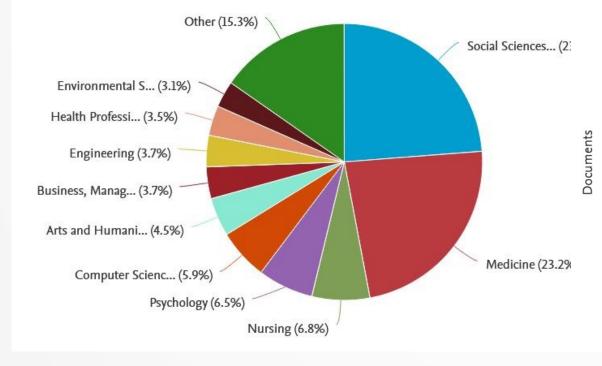
- Open-ended questions are an important but challenging way to obtain informative data in surveys.
 - Open-ended question data usually requires **extra time investment** (Fielding et al., 2013), but open-ended questions are particularly useful if researchers do not want to constrain respondents' answers to **pre-specified selections**. Open-ended questions allow respondents to provide diverse answers based on their experience, and some answers are probably never thought of by researchers. (He & Schonlau, 2021.)
 - Hypothesis: Sometimes these divergent experiences may bring to view completely new, emerging societal phenomena.
- There's limited support for conducting qualitative analysis on Finnish open-ended survey responses, so open responses tend not to be utilized properly
- Our aim is to build tools for text data that work with Finnish language with sufficient ease and to support explorative analysis of open responses
 - Integrating tools with R workflows
 - R package to visualize, describe and analyze



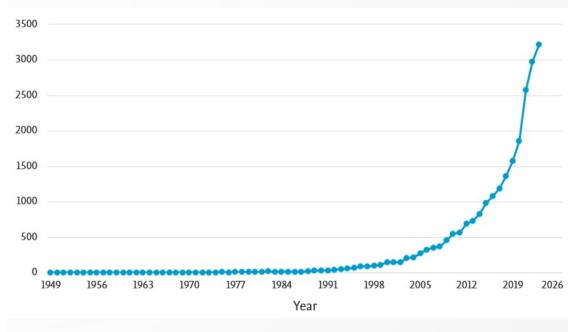
BIBLIOMETRIC ANALYSIS

Scopus: all fields includes open+ended and question and survey

Documents by subject area



Documents by year, All fields

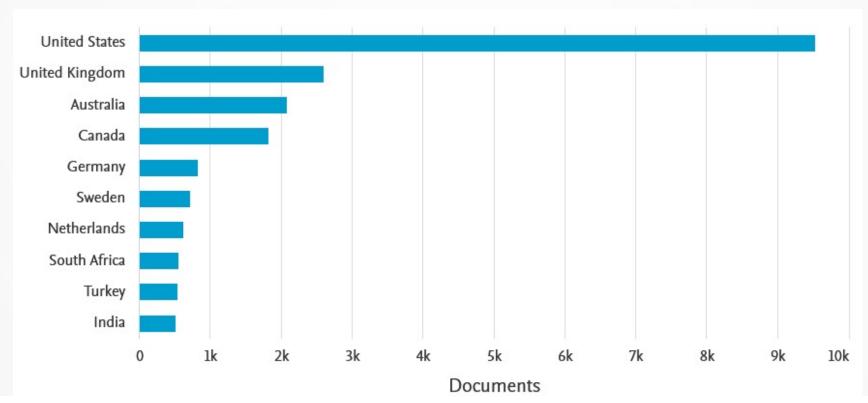




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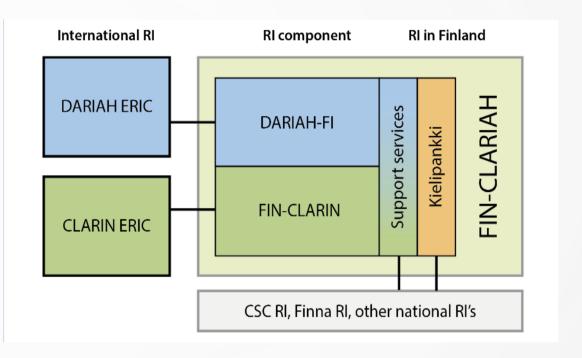
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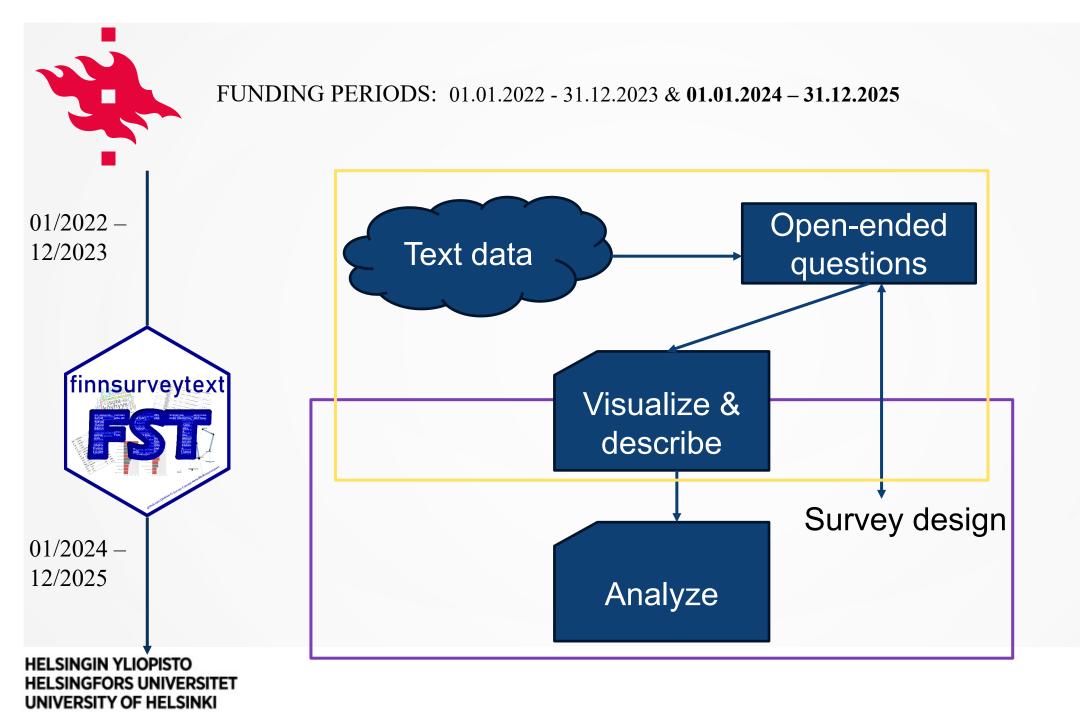




BACKGROUND

- FIN-CLARIAH is the premier Finnish digital research infrastructure (RI) for Social Sciences and Humanities (SSH) comprising two components, FIN-CLARIN and DARIAH-FI
- The project involves all Finnish universities with research in SSH
- Project aims is to ensure that a digital transformation happens in an orderly fashion without duplication of efforts or reinventing the wheel
- Funding periods:
 - I. 01.01.2022 31.12.2023
 - II. 01.01.2024 31.12.2025







FINNSURVEYTEXT PACKAGE

- The finnsurveytext package can be found on the CRAN here: <u>CRAN: Package</u> <u>finnsurveytext</u>
- Package website: https://dariah-fi-survey-concept-network.github.io/finnsurveytext/
 - The website contains a number of tutorials covering the package including one about using languages other than Finnish with the package: Extra-AnalysingOtherLanguages
- To learn more about TextRank the unsupervised algorithm used to within our Concept Network to rank keywords in responses – you may want to look at paper TextRank: Bringing Order into Text (Mihalcea & Tarau, EMNLP 2004)
- The released version of finnsurveytext can be installed from the CRAN: install.packages("finnsurveytext")



HOW TO USE THE PACKAGE

Install and load package from CRAN:

- > install.packages("finnsurveytext")
- > library(finnsurveytext)

Run (BETA) RShiny app:

> runDemo()





FINNSURVEYTEXT DEMOS

- Demo part 1: Introduction, Data Preparation
- Demo part 2: Summary Tables, Wordclouds and N-Grams Plots
- Demo part 3: Concept Network
- Demo part 4: Comparison functions
- Demo part 5: R Shiny App



LANGUAGE-SPECIFIC PARAMETERS FOR **FST_PREPARE()**

| Language | language | model | stopword_list |
|------------|----------|---|---|
| Estonian | 'et' | 'estonian-edt' OR 'estonian-ewt' | 'stopwords-iso' |
| Finnish | 'fi' | 'finnish-ftb' OR 'finnish-tdt' | 'stopwords-iso' OR 'snowball' OR 'nltk' |
| Latvian | 'lv' | 'latvian-lvtb' | 'stopwords-iso' |
| Lithuanian | 'lt' | 'lithuanian-alksnis' OR 'lithuanian-hse' | 'stopwords-iso' |
| Polish | 'pl' | 'polish-lfg' OR 'polish-pdb' OR 'polish-sz' | 'stopwords-iso' |
| Ukrainian | 'uk' | 'ukrainian-iu' | 'stopwords-iso' |

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EXAMPLE FST_PREPARE()

```
df <- fst prepare(data = survey data,</pre>
                                                         # Reqd
                   question = 'open-ended qn',
                                                         # Reqd
                   id = 'ID',
                                                         # Reqd
                   model = 'polish-lfg',
                                                         # Reqd
                   stopword list = 'stopwords-iso',
                                                         # Reqd
                   language = 'pl',
                                                         # Reqd
                   weights ='weight',
                                                         # Optional
                   add cols = 'col1, col2',
                                                         # Optional
                   manual = FALSE,
                                                         # DEFAULT
                   manual list = ''
                                                         # DEFAULT
```



EXAMPLE FST_PREPARE_SVYDESIGN()

```
df <- fst prepare(svydesign = survey,</pre>
                                                         # Reqd
                   question = 'open-ended qn',
                                                         # Reqd
                   id = 'ID',
                                                         # Reqd
                   model = 'latvian-lvtb',
                                                         # Reqd
                   stopword list = 'stopwords-iso',
                                                         # Reqd
                   language = 'lv',
                                                         # Reqd
                   use weights = TRUE,
                                                         # Optional
                   add cols = 'col1, col2',
                                                         # Optional
                   manual = FALSE,
                                                         # DEFAULT
                   manual list = ''
                                                         # DEFAULT
```



If you try the package, we would welcome your feedback.



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