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An R package for the quantitative analysis of textual data

# Description

A set of functions for creating and managing text corpora, extracting features from text corpora, and analyzing those features using quantitative methods.

**quanteda** makes it easy to manage texts in the form of a corpus, defined as a collection of texts that includes document-level variables specific to each text, as well as meta-data for documents and for the collection as a whole. **quanteda** includes tools to make it easy and fast to manuipulate the texts in a corpus, by performing the most common natural language processing tasks simply and quickly, such as tokenizing, stemming, or forming ngrams. **quanteda**'s functions for tokenizing texts and forming multiple tokenized documents into a document-feature matrix are both extremely fast and extremely simple to use. **quanteda** can segment texts easily by words, paragraphs, sentences, or even user-supplied delimiters and tags.

Built on the text processing functions in the **stringi** package, which is in turn built on C++ implementation of the ICU libraries for Unicode text handling, **quanteda** pays special attention to fast and correct implementation of Unicode and the handling of text in any character set.

**quanteda** is built for efficiency and speed, through its design around three infrastructures: the **stringi** package for text processing, the **data.table** package for indexing large documents efficiently, and the **Matrix** package for sparse matrix objects. If you can fit it into memory, **quanteda** will handle it quickly. (And eventually, we will make it possible to process objects even larger than available memory.)

**quanteda** is principally designed to allow users a fast and convenient method to go from a corpus of texts to a selected matrix of documents by features, after defining what the documents and features.

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The package makes it easy to redefine documents, for instance by splitting them into sentences or paragraphs, or by tags, as well as to group them into larger documents by document variables, or to subset them based on logical conditions or combinations of document variables. The package also implements common NLP feature selection functions, such as removing stopwords and stemming in numerous languages, selecting words found in dictionaries, treating words as equivalent based on a user-defined "thesaurus", and trimming and weighting features based on document frequency, feature frequency, and related measures such as tf-idf.

Once constructed, a **quanteda** "dfm"" can be easily analyzed using either **quanteda**'s built-in tools for scaling document positions, or used with a number of other text analytic tools, such as: topic models (including converters for direct use with the topicmodels, LDA, and stm packages) document scaling (using **quanteda**'s own functions for the "wordfish" and "Wordscores" models, direct use with the ca package for correspondence analysis, or scaling with the austin package) machine learning through a variety of other packages that take matrix or matrix-like inputs.

Additional features of quanteda include:

- the ability to explore texts using key-words-in-context;
- fast computation of a variety of readability indexes;
- fast computation of a variety of lexical diversity measures;
- quick computation of word or document similarities, for clustering or to compute distances for other purposes; and
- a comprehensive suite of descriptive statistics on text such as the number of sentences, words, characters, or syllables per document.

# Author(s)

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applyDictionary

apply a dictionary or thesarus to an object

### **Description**

Convert features into equivalence classes defined by values of a dictionary object.

# Usage

```
applyDictionary(x, dictionary, ...)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
applyDictionary(x, dictionary, exclusive = TRUE,
  valuetype = c("glob", "regex", "fixed"), case_insensitive = TRUE,
  capkeys = !exclusive, verbose = TRUE, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

```
x object to which dictionary or thesaurus will be supplieddictionarythe dictionary-class object that will be applied to xnot used
```

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exclusive if TRUE, remove all features not in dictionary, otherwise, replace values in dic-

tionary with keys while leaving other features unaffected

valuetype how to interpret dictionary values: "glob" for "glob"-style wildcard expressions

(the format used in Wordstat and LIWC formatted dictionary values); "regex" for regular expressions; or "fixed" for exact matching (entire words, for in-

stance)

case\_insensitive

ignore the case of dictionary values if TRUE

capkeys if TRUE, convert dictionary keys to uppercase to distinguish them from other

features

verbose print status messages if TRUE

#### Value

an object of the type passed with the value-matching features replaced by dictionary keys

#### Note

Selecting only features defined in a "dictionary" is traditionally known in text analysis as a *dictionary method*, even though technically this "dictionary" operates more like a thesarus. If a thesaurus-like application is desired, set exclusive = FALSE to convert features defined as values in a dictionary into their keys, while keeping all other features.

```
myDict <- dictionary(list(christmas = c("Christmas", "Santa", "holiday"),</pre>
                          opposition = c("Opposition", "reject", "notincorpus"),
                          taxglob = "tax*",
                          taxregex = "tax.+$"
                          country = c("United_States", "Sweden")))
myDfm <- dfm(c("My Christmas was ruined by your opposition tax plan.",
               "Does the United_States or Sweden have more progressive taxation?"),
             ignoredFeatures = stopwords("english"), verbose = FALSE)
myDfm
# glob format
applyDictionary(myDfm, myDict, valuetype = "glob")
applyDictionary(myDfm, myDict, valuetype = "glob", case_insensitive = FALSE)
# regex v. glob format: note that "united_states" is a regex match for "tax*"
applyDictionary(myDfm, myDict, valuetype = "glob")
applyDictionary(myDfm, myDict, valuetype = "regex", case_insensitive = TRUE)
# fixed format: no pattern matching
applyDictionary(myDfm, myDict, valuetype = "fixed")
applyDictionary(myDfm, myDict, valuetype = "fixed", case_insensitive = FALSE)
```

as.data.frame,dfm-method

```
as.data.frame,dfm-method coerce\ a\ dfm\ to\ a\ data.frame
```

# Description

Method for coercing a dfm-class object to a data.frame

# Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'dfm'
as.data.frame(x, row.names = NULL, optional = FALSE, ...)
```

# Arguments

| X         | dfm to be coerced to a data.frame  |
|-----------|--|
| row.names | if FALSE, do not set the row names of the data.frame to the docnames of the dfm (default); or a vector of values to which the row names will be set. |
| optional  | not applicable to this method  |
|           | not used for this method   |

# **Examples**

```
inaugDfm <- dfm(inaugTexts[1:5], verbose = FALSE)
as.data.frame(inaugDfm[, 1:10])
str(as.data.frame(inaugDfm))
as.data.frame(inaugDfm[, 1:10], row.names = FALSE)</pre>
```

cbind.dfm

Combine dfm objects by Rows or Columns

# **Description**

Take a sequence of dfm-class objects and combine by columns or rows, returning a dfm with the combined documents or features, respectively.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
cbind(...)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
rbind(...)
```

# **Arguments**

... dfm objects to be joined column-wise (cbind) or row-wise (rbind) to the first

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#### **Details**

cbind(x, y, ...) combines dfm objects by columns, returning a dfm object with combined features from input dfm objects. Note that this should be used with extreme caution, as joining dfms with different documents will result in a new row with the docname(s) of the first dfm, merging in those from the second. Furthermore, if features are shared between the dfms being cbinded, then duplicate feature labels will result. In both instances, warning messages will result.

rbind(x, y, ...) combines dfm objects by rows, returning a dfm object with combined features from input dfm objects. Features are matched between the two dfm objects, so that the order and names of the features does not need to match. The resulting row combined dfm will have its features alphabetically sorted. The matching is performed by rbind2 defined for object classes in the **Matrix** package. The attributes and settings of this new dfm are not currently preserved.

# **Examples**

```
# cbind() for dfm objects
(dfm1 <- dfm("This is one sample text sample.", verbose = FALSE))
(dfm2 <- dfm("More words here.", verbose = FALSE))
cbind(dfm1, dfm2)

# rbind() for dfm objects
(dfm1 <- dfm(c(doc1 = "This is one sample text sample."), verbose = FALSE))
(dfm2 <- dfm(c(doc2 = "One two three text text."), verbose = FALSE))
(dfm3 <- dfm(c(doc3 = "This is the fourth sample text."), verbose = FALSE))
rbind(dfm1, dfm2)
rbind(dfm1, dfm2, dfm3)</pre>
```

changeunits

change the document units of a corpus

### **Description**

For a corpus, recast the documents down or up a level of aggregation. "Down" would mean going from documents to sentences, for instance. "Up" means from sentences back to documents. This makes it easy to reshape a corpus from a collection of documents into a collection of sentences, for instance. (Because the corpus object records its current "units" status, there is no from option, only to.)

# Usage

```
changeunits(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
changeunits(x, to = c("sentences", "paragraphs",
   "documents"), ...)
```

# Arguments

```
x corpus whose document units will be reshaped
... not used
to new documents units for the corpus to be recast in
```

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#### Value

A corpus object with the documents defined as the new units, including document-level meta-data identifying the original documents.

# **Examples**

collocations

Detect collocations from text

# Description

Detects collocations from texts or a corpus, returning a data frame of collocations and their scores, sorted in descending order of the association measure. Words separated by punctuation delimiters are not counted by default (spanPunct = FALSE) as adjacent and hence are not eligible to be collocations.

```
collocations(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
collocations(x, method = c("lr", "chi2", "pmi", "dice",
    "all"), size = 2, n = NULL, spanPunct = FALSE, ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
collocations(x, method = c("lr", "chi2", "pmi", "dice",
    "all"), size = 2, n = NULL, spanPunct = FALSE, ...)
## S3 method for class 'tokenizedTexts'
collocations(x, method = c("lr", "chi2", "pmi",
    "dice", "all"), size = 2, n = NULL, spanPunct = FALSE, ...)
```

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# **Arguments**

method

x a text, a character vector of texts, or a corpus

additional parameters passed to tokenize. If wanted to include collocations separated by punctuation, then you can use this to send removePunct = TRUE to tokenize.

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association measure for detecting collocations. Let i index documents, and j index features,  $n_{ij}$  refers to observed counts, and  $m_{ij}$  the expected counts in a collocations frequency table of dimensions  $(J - size + 1)^2$ . Available measures are computed as:

"1r" The likelihood ratio statistic  $G^2$ , computed as:

$$2*\sum_{i}\sum_{j}(n_{ij}*log\frac{n_{ij}}{m_{ij}})$$

"chi2" Pearson's  $\chi^2$  statistic, computed as:

$$\sum_{i} \sum_{j} \frac{(n_{ij} - m_{ij})^2}{m_{ij}}$$

"pmi" point-wise mutual information score, computed as  $\log n_{11}/m_{11}$ 

"dice" the Dice coefficient, computed as  $n_{11}/n_{1.} + n_{.1}$ 

"all" returns all of the above

size length of the collocation. Only bigram (n=2) and trigram (n=3) collocations are

currently implemented. Can be c(2,3) (or 2:3) to return both bi- and tri-gram

collocations.

n the number of collocations to return, sorted in descending order of the requested

statistic, or  $G^2$  if none is specified.

spanPunct if FALSE, then collocations will not span punctuation marks, so that for instance

marks, so is not a collocation of marks so. If TRUE, do not handle punctuation

specially.

#### Value

A data.table of collocations, their frequencies, and the computed association measure(s).

### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit

# References

McInnes, B T. 2004. "Extending the Log Likelihood Measure to Improve Collocation Identification." M.Sc. Thesis, University of Minnesota.

# See Also

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#### **Examples**

```
txt <- c("This is software testing: looking for (word) pairs!</pre>
         This [is] a software testing again. For.",
         "Here: this is more Software Testing, looking again for word pairs.")
collocations(txt)
collocations(txt, spanPunct = FALSE, removePunct = FALSE) # default
collocations(txt, spanPunct = FALSE, removePunct = TRUE) # includes "testing looking"
collocations(txt, spanPunct = TRUE, removePunct = TRUE) # same as previous
collocations(txt, spanPunct = TRUE, removePunct = FALSE) # keep punctuation marks as "grams"
collocations(txt, size = 2:3)
removeFeatures(collocations(txt, size = 2:3), stopwords("english"))
collocations("@textasdata We really, really love the #quanteda package - thanks!!")
collocations("@textasdata We really, really love the #quanteda package - thanks!!",
              removeTwitter = TRUE)
collocations(inaugTexts[49:57], n = 10)
collocations(inaugTexts[49:57], method = "all", n = 10)
collocations(inaugTexts[49:57], method = "chi2", size = 3, n = 10)
collocations(subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1980), method = "pmi", size = 3, n = 10)
```

compress

compress a dfm by combining similarly named dimensions

# Description

"Compresses" a dfm whose dimension names are the same, for either documents or features. This may happen, for instance, if features are made equivalent through application of a thesaurus. It may also occur after lower-casing or stemming the features of a dfm, but this should only be done in very rare cases (approaching never: it's better to do this *before* constructing the dfm.) It could also be needed, after a cbind.dfm or rbind.dfm operation.

# Usage

```
compress(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
compress(x, margin = c("both", "documents", "features"), ...)
```

# **Arguments**

```
    x input object, a dfm
    ... additional arguments passed from generic to specific methods
    margin character indicating which margin to compress on, either "documents", "features", or "both" (default)
```

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#### **Examples**

convert

convert a dfm to a non-quanteda format

### **Description**

Convert a quanteda dfm-class object to a format useable by other text analysis packages. The general function convert provides easy conversion from a dfm to the document-term representations used in all other text analysis packages for which conversions are defined. To make the usage as consistent as possible with other packages, however, quanteda also provides direct conversion functions in the idiom of the foreign packages, for example as . wfm to coerce a dfm into the wfm format from the austin package, and quantedaformat2dtm for using a dfm with the topicmodels package.

```
convert(x, to, ...)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
convert(x, to = c("lda", "tm", "stm", "austin", "topicmodels"),
  ...)
as.wfm(x)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
as.wfm(x)
as.DocumentTermMatrix(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
as.DocumentTermMatrix(x, ...)
dfm2ldaformat(x)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
dfm2ldaformat(x)
quantedaformat2dtm(x)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
quantedaformat2dtm(x)
```

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#### **Arguments**

|  | X  | dfm to be converted   |
|--|----|---|
|  | to | target conversion format, consisting of the name of the package into whose document-term matrix representation the dfm will be converted: |
|  |    | "lda" a list with components "documents" and "vocab" as needed by lda.collapsed.gibbs.sampler from the lda package                        |
|  |    | "tm" a DocumentTermMatrix from the <b>tm</b> package  |
|  |    | "stm" the format for the <b>stm</b> package   |
|  |    | "austin" the wfm format from the <b>austin</b> package  |
|  |    | "topicmodels" the "dtm" format as used by the topicmodels package   |
|  |    | not used here   |
|  |    |   |

#### **Details**

We recommend using convert() rather than the specific functions. In fact, it's worth considering whether we should simply remove all of them and **only** support calling these through 'convert()'.

We may also use this function, eventually, for converting other classes of objects such as a 'corpus' or 'tokenizedList'.

as. wfm converts a quanteda dfm into the wfm format used by the austin package.

as.DocumentTermMatrix will convert a quanteda dfm into the **tm** package's DocumentTermMatrix format.

dfm2ldaformat provides converts a dfm into the list representation of terms in documents used by tghe **lda** package.

quantedaformat2dtm provides converts a dfm into the sparse simple triplet matrix representation of terms in documents used by the **topicmodels** package.

# Value

A converted object determined by the value of to (see above). See conversion target package documentation for more detailed descriptions of the return formats.

dfm2ldaformat returns a list with components "documents" and "vocab" as needed by lda.collapsed.gibbs.sampler quantedaformat2dtm returns a "dtm" sparse matrix object for use with the **topicmodels** package.

#### Note

The **tm** package version of as.TermDocumentMatrix allows a weighting argument, which supplies a weighting function for TermDocumentMatrix. Here the default is for term frequency weighting. If you want a different weighting, apply the weights after converting using one of the **tm** functions.

```
mycorpus <- subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1970)
quantdfm <- dfm(mycorpus, verbose=FALSE)

# austin's wfm format
austindfm <- as.wfm(quantdfm)
identical(austindfm, convert(quantdfm, to="austin"))
# tm's DocumentTermMatrix format</pre>
```

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```
tmdfm <- as.DocumentTermMatrix(quantdfm)
str(tmdfm)

# stm package format
stmdfm <- convert(quantdfm, to="stm")
str(stmdfm)

# topicmodels package format
topicmodelsdfm <- quantedaformat2dtm(quantdfm)
identical(topicmodelsdfm, convert(quantdfm, to="topicmodels"))

# lda package format
ldadfm <- convert(quantdfm, to="lda")
str(ldadfm)
identical(ldadfm, stmdfm[1:2])

# calling dfm2ldaformat directly
ldadfm <- dfm2ldaformat(quantdfm)
str(ldadfm)</pre>
```

corpus

constructor for corpus objects

# **Description**

Creates a corpus from a document source. The current available document sources are:

- a character vector (as in R class char) of texts;
- a corpusSource-class object, constructed using textfile;
- a **tm** VCorpus class corpus object, meaning that anything you can use to create a **tm** corpus, including all of the tm plugins plus the built-in functions of tm for importing pdf, Word, and XML documents, can be used to create a quanteda corpus.

Corpus-level meta-data can be specified at creation, containing (for example) citation information and notes, as can document-level variables and document-level meta-data.

```
corpus(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
corpus(x, docnames = NULL, docvars = NULL,
    source = NULL, notes = NULL, citation = NULL, ...)
## S3 method for class 'corpusSource'
corpus(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'VCorpus'
corpus(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'data.frame'
corpus(x, textField, ...)
```

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is.corpus(x)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
c1 + c2
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
c(..., recursive = FALSE)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
x[i, j = NULL, ..., drop = TRUE]
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
x[[i, ...]]
## S3 replacement method for class 'corpus'
x[[i]] <- value</pre>
```

# **Arguments**

| X         | a source of texts to form the documents in the corpus, a character vector or a corpusSource-class object created using textfile.                    |
|-----------|---|
|           | additional arguments  |
| docnames  | Names to be assigned to the texts, defaults to the names of the character vector (if any), otherwise assigns "text1", "text2", etc.                 |
| docvars   | A data frame of attributes that is associated with each text.   |
| source    | A string specifying the source of the texts, used for referencing.  |
| notes     | A string containing notes about who created the text, warnings, To Dos, etc.  |
| citation  | Information on how to cite the corpus.  |
| textField | the character name or integer index of the source data.frame indicating the column to be read in as text. This must be of mode character.           |
| c1        | corpus one to be added  |
| c2        | corpus two to be added  |
| recursive | logical used by 'c()' method, always set to 'FALSE'   |
| i         | index for documents or rows of document variables   |
| j         | index for column of document variables  |
| drop      | if TRUE, return a vector if extracting a single document variable; if FALSE, return it as a single-column data.frame. See drop for further details. |
| value     | a vector that will form a new docvar  |

### **Details**

The texts and document variables of corpus objects can also be accessed using index notation. Indexing a corpus object as a vector will return its text, equivalent to texts(x). Note that this is not the same as subsetting the entire corpus – this should be done using the subset method for a corpus.

Indexing a corpus using two indexes (integers or column names) will return the document variables, equivalent to docvars(x). Because a corpus is also a list, it is also possible to access, create, or replace docvars using list notation, e.g. myCorpus[["newSerialDocvar"]] <- paste0("tag", 1:ndoc(myCorpus)).

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The + operator for a corpus object will combine two corpus objects, resolving any non-matching docvars or metadoc fields by making them into NA values for the corpus lacking that field. Corpuslevel meta data is concatenated, except for source and notes, which are stamped with information pertaining to the creation of the new joined corpus.

The 'c()' operator is also defined for corpus class objects, and provides an easy way to combine multiple corpus objects.

There are some issues that need to be addressed in future revisions of quanteda concerning the use of factors to store document variables and meta-data. Currently most or all of these are not recorded as factors, because we use stringsAsFactors=FALSE in the data.frame calls that are used to create and store the document-level information, because the texts should always be stored as character vectors and never as factors.

#### Value

A corpus class object containing the original texts, document-level variables, document-level metadata, corpus-level metadata, and default settings for subsequent processing of the corpus. A corpus currently consists of an S3 specially classed list of elements, but \*\*you should not access these elements directly\*\*. Use the extractor and replacement functions instead, or else your code is not only going to be uglier, but also likely to break should the internal structure of a corpus object change (as it inevitably will as we continue to develop the package, including moving corpus objects to the S4 class system).

is. corpus returns TRUE if the object is a corpus

#### Note

When x is a VCorpus object, the fixed metadata fields from that object are imported as document-level metadata. Currently no corpus-level metadata is imported, but we will add that soon.

When x is a data. frame, then there is no encoding conversion performed on the character input. It is highly recommended that you detect and convert this input to UTF-8 prior to using it as input for a corpus.

### Author(s)

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# See Also

docvars, metadoc, metacorpus, settings, texts, ndoc, docnames

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```
mycorp2 <- corpus(textfile("http://www.kenbenoit.net/files/text_example.csv", textField = "Title"))</pre>
identical(texts(mycorp), texts(mycorp2))
identical(docvars(mycorp), docvars(mycorp2))
## End(Not run)
# import a tm VCorpus
if ("tm" %in% rownames(installed.packages())) {
    data(crude, package = "tm")
                                    # load in a tm example VCorpus
    mytmCorpus <- corpus(crude)</pre>
    summary(mytmCorpus, showmeta=TRUE)
    data(acq, package = "tm")
    summary(corpus(acq), 5, showmeta=TRUE)
    tmCorp <- tm::VCorpus(tm::VectorSource(inaugTexts[49:57]))</pre>
    quantCorp <- corpus(tmCorp)</pre>
    summary(quantCorp)
}
# construct a corpus from a data.frame
mydf <- data.frame(letter_factor = factor(rep(letters[1:3], each = 2)),</pre>
                   some_ints = 1L:6L,
                   some_text = paste0("This is text number ", 1:6, "."),
                   stringsAsFactors = FALSE,
                   row.names = paste0("fromDf_", 1:6))
{\sf mydf}
summary(corpus(mydf, textField = "some_text", source = "From a data.frame called mydf."))
# concatenate corpus objects
corpus1 <- corpus(inaugTexts[1:2])</pre>
corpus2 <- corpus(inaugTexts[3:4])</pre>
corpus3 <- subset(inaugCorpus, President == "Obama")</pre>
summary(c(corpus1, corpus2, corpus3))
# ways to index corpus elements
inaugCorpus["1793-Washington"]
                                   # 2nd Washington inaugural speech
inaugCorpus[2]
                                   # same
ie2010Corpus[, "year"]
                                   # access the docvars from ie2010Corpus
ie2010Corpus[["year"]]
                                   # same
# create a new document variable
ie2010Corpus[["govtopp"]] <- ifelse(ie2010Corpus[["party"]] %in% c("FF", "Greens"),</pre>
                                      "Government", "Opposition")
docvars(ie2010Corpus)
```

corpusSource-class

corpus source classes

# **Description**

The corpusSource virtual class is a parent class for more specific corpus source objects.

```
## S4 method for signature 'corpusSource'
show(object)
```

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### **Arguments**

object corpusSource object to be printed

#### **Slots**

texts the texts that form the core of the corpus
docvars document variables in a data.frame
source source recorded for the corpus, based on type of source
created a time stamp
cachedfile if read to a temporary file, a string containing the location of the temporary file

dfm

create a document-feature matrix

# **Description**

Create a sparse matrix document-feature matrix from a corpus or a vector of texts. The sparse matrix construction uses the **Matrix** package, and is both much faster and much more memory efficient than the corresponding dense (regular matrix) representation. For details on the structure of the dfm class, see dfm-class.

```
dfm(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
dfm(x, verbose = TRUE, toLower = TRUE,
  removeNumbers = TRUE, removePunct = TRUE, removeSeparators = TRUE,
 removeTwitter = FALSE, stem = FALSE, ignoredFeatures = NULL,
 keptFeatures = NULL, language = "english", thesaurus = NULL,
 dictionary = NULL, valuetype = c("glob", "regex", "fixed"), ...)
## S3 method for class 'tokenizedTexts'
dfm(x, verbose = TRUE, toLower = TRUE,
  stem = FALSE, ignoredFeatures = NULL, keptFeatures = NULL,
  language = "english", thesaurus = NULL, dictionary = NULL,
  valuetype = c("glob", "regex", "fixed"), ...)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
dfm(x, verbose = TRUE, groups = NULL, ...)
is.dfm(x)
as.dfm(x)
```

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### **Arguments**

corpus or character vector from which to generate the document-feature matrix х

additional arguments passed to tokenize, which can include for instance ngrams

and concatenator for tokenizing multi-token sequences

verbose display messages if TRUE convert texts to lowercase toLower removeNumbers remove numbers, see tokenize removePunct remove punctuation, see tokenize

removeSeparators

remove separators (whitespace), see tokenize

removeTwitter if FALSE, preserve # and @ characters, see tokenize

if TRUE, stem words stem

ignoredFeatures

a character vector of user-supplied features to ignore, such as "stop words". To access one possible list (from any list you wish), use stopwords(). The pattern matching type will be set by valuetype. For behaviour of ingoredFeatures

with ngrams > 1, see Details.

a use supplied regular expression defining which features to keep, while excludkeptFeatures

> ing all others. This can be used in lieu of a dictionary if there are only specific features that a user wishes to keep. To extract only Twitter usernames, for example, set keptFeatures = "@\*" and make sure that removeTwitter = FALSE as an additional argument passed to tokenize. Note: keptFeatures = "^@\\w+\\b" would be the regular expression version of this matching pattern. The pattern

matching type will be set by valuetype.

language Language for stemming. Choices are danish, dutch, english, finnish, french,

german, hungarian, italian, norwegian, porter, portuguese, romanian,

russian, spanish, swedish, turkish.

thesaurus A list of character vector "thesaurus" entries, in a dictionary list format, which

> operates as a dictionary but without excluding values not matched from the dictionary. Thesaurus keys are converted to upper case to create a feature label in the dfm, as a reminder that this was not a type found in the text, but rather the label of a thesaurus key. For more fine-grained control over this and other aspects of converting features into dictionary/thesaurus keys from pattern matches

to values, you can use applyDictionary after creating the dfm.

dictionary A list of character vector dictionary entries, including regular expressions (see

examples)

fixed for words as is; "regex" for regular expressions; or "glob" for "glob"valuetype

style wildcard. Glob format is the default. See selectFeatures.

character vector containing the names of document variables for aggregating groups

documents

#### **Details**

The default behavior for ignoredFeatures when constructing ngrams using dfm(x, ngrams > 1)is to remove any ngram that contains any item in ignoredFeatures. If you wish to remove these before constructing ngrams, you will need to first tokenize the texts with ngrams, then remove the features to be ignored, and then construct the dfm using this modified tokenization object. See the code examples for an illustration.

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```
is.dfm returns TRUE if and only if its argument is a dfm. as.dfm coerces a matrix or data.frame to a dfm
```

#### Value

A dfm-class object containing a sparse matrix representation of the counts of features by document, along with associated settings and metadata.

#### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit

### **Examples**

```
# why we phased out dense matrix dfm objects
(size1 <- object.size(dfm(inaugTexts, verbose = FALSE)))</pre>
(size2 <- object.size(as.matrix(dfm(inaugTexts, verbose = FALSE))))</pre>
cat("Compacted by ", round(as.numeric((1-size1/size2)*100), 1), "%.\n", sep="")
# for a corpus
mydfm <- dfm(subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1980))
mydfm <- dfm(subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1980), toLower=FALSE)
# grouping documents by docvars in a corpus
mydfmGrouped <- dfm(subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1980), groups = "President")
# with English stopwords and stemming
dfmsInaug2 <- dfm(subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1980),
                  ignoredFeatures=stopwords("english"), stem=TRUE)
# works for both words in ngrams too
dfm("Banking industry", stem = TRUE, ngrams = 2, verbose = FALSE)
# with dictionaries
mycorpus <- subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1900)
mydict <- list(christmas=c("Christmas", "Santa", "holiday"),</pre>
               opposition=c("Opposition", "reject", "notincorpus"),
               taxing="taxing",
               taxation="taxation",
               taxregex="tax*",
               country="united states")
dictDfm <- dfm(mycorpus, dictionary=mydict)</pre>
dictDfm
# with the thesaurus feature
mytexts <- c("The new law included a capital gains tax, and an inheritance tax.",
              "New York City has raised a taxes: an income tax and a sales tax.")
mydict <- dictionary(list(tax=c("tax", "income tax", "capital gains tax", "inheritance tax")))</pre>
dfm(phrasetotoken(mytexts, mydict), thesaurus = lapply(mydict, function(x) gsub("\\s", "_", x)))
# pick up "taxes" with "tax" as a regex
dfm(phrasetotoken(mytexts, mydict), thesaurus = list(anytax = "tax"), valuetype = "regex")
# removing stopwords
testText <- "The quick brown fox named Seamus jumps over the lazy dog also named Seamus, with
             the newspaper from a boy named Seamus, in his mouth."
testCorpus <- corpus(testText)</pre>
```

# note: "also" is not in the default stopwords("english")

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```
features(dfm(testCorpus, ignoredFeatures = stopwords("english")))
# for ngrams
features(dfm(testCorpus, ngrams = 2, ignoredFeatures = stopwords("english")))
features(dfm(testCorpus, ngrams = 1:2, ignoredFeatures = stopwords("english")))
## removing stopwords before constructing ngrams
tokensAll <- tokenize(toLower(testText), removePunct = TRUE)</pre>
tokensNoStopwords <- removeFeatures(tokensAll, stopwords("english"))</pre>
tokensNgramsNoStopwords <- ngrams(tokensNoStopwords, 2)</pre>
features(dfm(tokensNgramsNoStopwords, ngrams = 1:2))
# keep only certain words
dfm(testCorpus, keptFeatures = "*s", verbose = FALSE) # keep only words ending in "s"
dfm(testCorpus, keptFeatures = "s$", valuetype = "regex", verbose = FALSE)
# testing Twitter functions
testTweets <- c("My homie @justinbieber #justinbieber shopping in #LA yesterday #beliebers",
             "2all the ha8ers including my bro #justinbieber #emabiggestfansjustinbieber",
             "Justin Bieber #justinbieber #belieber #fetusjustin #EMABiggestFansJustinBieber")
dfm(testTweets, keptFeatures = "#*", removeTwitter = FALSE) # keep only hashtags
dfm(testTweets, keptFeatures = "^#.*$", valuetype = "regex", removeTwitter = FALSE)
```

dfm-class

Virtual class "dfm" for a document-feature matrix

# Description

The dfm class of object is a type of Matrix-class object with additional slots, described below. **quanteda** uses two subclasses of the dfm class, depending on whether the object can be represented by a sparse matrix, in which case it is a dfmSparse class object, or if dense, then a dfmDense object. See Details.

```
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense'
t(x)

## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse'
t(x)

## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse'
colSums(x, na.rm = FALSE, dims = 1L, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse'
rowSums(x, na.rm = FALSE, dims = 1L, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse'
colMeans(x, na.rm = FALSE, dims = 1L, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse'
rowMeans(x, na.rm = FALSE, dims = 1L, ...)
```

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```
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense,index,index,missing'
x[i = NULL, j = NULL, ...,
  drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense,index,index,logical'
x[i = NULL, j = NULL, ...,
  drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense,index,missing,missing'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense,logical,missing,missing'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense,index,missing,logical'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense,missing,index,missing'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense, missing, index, logical'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense, missing, missing, missing'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense,missing,missing,logical'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse,index,index,missing'
x[i = NULL, j = NULL, ...,
  drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse,index,index,logical'
x[i = NULL, j = NULL, ...,
  drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse,logical,missing,missing'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse,index,missing,missing'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse,index,missing,logical'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse, missing, index, missing'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse,missing,index,logical'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
```

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```
## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse,missing,missing'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]

## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse,missing,missing,logical'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]

## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse,numeric'
e1 + e2

## S4 method for signature 'numeric,dfmSparse'
e1 + e2

## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense,numeric'
e1 + e2

## S4 method for signature 'numeric,dfmDense'
e1 + e2

## S4 method for signature 'numeric,dfmDense'
e1 + e2

## S4 method for signature 'dfm'
as.matrix(x)
```

#### **Arguments**

| Х     | the dfm object   |
|-------|--|
| na.rm | if TRUE, omit missing values (including NaN) from the calculations |
| dims  | ignored  |
|       | additional arguments not used here                                 |
| i     | index for documents  |
| j     | index for features   |
| drop  | always set to FALSE  |
| e1    | first quantity in "+" operation for dfm                            |
| e2    | second quantity in "+" operation for dfm                           |

### **Details**

The dfm class is a virtual class that will contain one of two subclasses for containing the cell counts of document-feature matrixes: dfmSparse or dfmDense.

The dfmSparse class is a sparse matrix version of dfm-class, inheriting dgCMatrix-class from the **Matrix** package. It is the default object type created when feature counts are the object of interest, as typical text-based feature counts tend contain many zeroes. As long as subsequent transformations of the dfm preserve cells with zero counts, the dfm should remain sparse.

When the **Matrix** package implements sparse integer matrixes, we will switch the default object class to this object type, as integers are 4 bytes each (compared to the current numeric double type requiring 8 bytes per cell.)

The dfmDense class is a sparse matrix version of dfm-class, inheriting dgeMatrix-class from the **Matrix** package. dfm objects that are converted through weighting or other transformations into cells without zeroes will be automatically converted to the dfmDense class. This will necessarily be a much larger sized object than one of dfmSparse class, because each cell is recorded as a numeric (double) type requiring 8 bytes of storage.

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#### **Slots**

settings settings that govern corpus handling and subsequent downstream operations, including the settings used to clean and tokenize the texts, and to create the dfm. See settings.

weighting the feature weighting applied to the dfm. Default is "frequency", indicating that the values in the cells of the dfm are simple feature counts. To change this, use the weight method.

smooth a smoothing parameter, defaults to zero. Can be changed using either the smooth or the weight methods.

Dimnames These are inherited from Matrix-class but are named docs and features respectively.

#### See Also

dfm

## **Examples**

```
# coercion to matrix
dfmSparse <- dfm(inaugTexts, verbose = FALSE)
str(as.matrix(dfmSparse))</pre>
```

dictionary

create a dictionary

#### **Description**

Create a quanteda dictionary, either from a list or by importing from a foreign format. Currently supported input file formats are the Wordstat and LIWC formats.

# Usage

```
dictionary(x = NULL, file = NULL, format = NULL, concatenator = " ",
toLower = TRUE, encoding = "")
```

# **Arguments**

| X | a list of character vector dictionary entries, including regular expressions (see |
|---|---|
|   | examples)   |
|   |   |

file file identifier for a foreign dictionary

format character identifier for the format of the foreign dictionary. Available options

are:

"wordstat" format used by Provalis Research's Wordstat software
"LIWC" format used by the Linguistic Inquiry and Word Count software

concatenator the character in between multi-word dictionary values. This defaults to "\_"

except LIWC-formatted files, which defaults to a single space " ".

toLower if TRUE, convert all dictionary values to lowercase

encoding additional optional encoding value for reading in imported dictionaries. This

uses the iconv labels for encoding. See the "Encoding" section of the help for

file.

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#### Value

A dictionary class object, essentially a specially classed named list of characters.

#### References

Wordstat dictionaries page, from Provalis Research http://provalisresearch.com/products/content-analysis-software/wordstat-dictionary/.

Pennebaker, J.W., Chung, C.K., Ireland, M., Gonzales, A., & Booth, R.J. (2007). The development and psychometric properties of LIWC2007. [Software manual]. Austin, TX (www.liwc.net).

#### See Also

dfm

#### **Examples**

```
mycorpus <- subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1900)
mydict <- dictionary(list(christmas = c("Christmas", "Santa", "holiday"),</pre>
                          opposition = c("Opposition", "reject", "notincorpus"),
                           taxing = "taxing",
                           taxation = "taxation",
                           taxregex = "tax*",
                           country = "united states"))
head(dfm(mycorpus, dictionary = mydict))
## Not run:
# import the Laver-Garry dictionary from http://bit.ly/1FH2nvf
lgdict <- dictionary(file = "http://www.kenbenoit.net/courses/essex2014qta/LaverGarry.cat",</pre>
                     format = "wordstat")
head(dfm(inaugTexts, dictionary=lgdict))
# import a LIWC formatted dictionary from http://www.moralfoundations.org
mfdict <- dictionary(file = "http://ow.ly/VMRkL", format = "LIWC")</pre>
head(dfm(inaugTexts, dictionary = mfdict))
## End(Not run)
```

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#' @ return weight, x with no type argument queries the weighting applied to the dfm, returning set-Method("weight", signature(c("dfm", "MISSING")), function(x) if (isS4(x)) x@weighting else attr(x, "weighting"))

#### **Description**

compute the (weighted) document frequency of a feature

```
\label{eq:count} \begin{array}{lll} \mbox{docfreq(x, scheme = c("count", "inverse", "inversemax", "inverseprob", \\ "unary"), smoothing = 0, k = 0, base = 10, threshold = 0, \\ \mbox{USE.NAMES = TRUE)} \end{array}
```

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```
## S4 method for signature 'dfm'
docfreq(x, scheme = c("count", "inverse", "inversemax",
  "inverseprob", "unary"), smoothing = 0, k = 0, base = 10,
  threshold = 0, USE.NAMES = TRUE)
```

# **Arguments**

a dfm-class document-feature matrix scheme type of document frequency weighting smoothing added to the quotient before taking the logarithm added to the denominator in the "inverse" weighting types, to prevent a zero k document count for a term base the base with respect to which logarithms in the inverse document frequency weightings are computed; default is 10 (see Manning, Raghavan, and Schutze 2008, p123). threshold numeric value of the threshold above which a feature will considered in the computation of document frequency. The default is 0, meaning that a feature's

document frequency will be the number of documents in which it occurs greater than zero times.

USE.NAMES logical; if TRUE attach feature labels as names of the resulting numeric vector

not used . . .

#### **Details**

For a dfm-class object, returns a (weighted) document frequency for each term. The default is a simple count of the number of documents in which a feature occurs more than a given frequency threshold. (The default threshold is zero, meaning that any feature occuring at least once in a document will be counted.)

# Value

a numeric vector of document frequencies for each feature

# References

Manning, C. D., Raghavan, P., & Schutze, H. (2008). Introduction to Information Retrieval. Cambridge University Press.

```
mydfm <- dfm(inaugTexts[1:2], verbose = FALSE)</pre>
docfreq(mydfm[, 1:20])
# replication of worked example from
# https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tf-idf#Example_of_tf.E2.80.93idf
wikiDfm <- new("dfmSparse",</pre>
               Matrix::Matrix(c(1,1,2,1,0,0, 1,1,0,0,2,3),
                               byrow = TRUE, nrow = 2,
                               dimnames = list(docs = c("document1", "document2"),
                                                features = c("this", "is", "a", "sample",
                                                              "another", "example")),
                               sparse = TRUE))
```

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```
wikiDfm
docfreq(wikiDfm)
docfreq(wikiDfm, scheme = "inverse")
docfreq(wikiDfm, scheme = "inverse", k = 1, smoothing = 1)
docfreq(wikiDfm, scheme = "unary")
docfreq(wikiDfm, scheme = "inversemax")
docfreq(wikiDfm, scheme = "inverseprob")
```

docnames

get or set document names

# **Description**

Get or set the document names from a corpus or a document-feature matrix. of the dfm object.

# Usage

```
docnames(x)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
docnames(x)

docnames(x) <- value
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
docnames(x)</pre>
```

# **Arguments**

x the object with docnames

value a character vector of the same length as x

### Value

docnames returns a character vector of the document names

docnames <- assigns new values to the document names of a corpus. (Does not work for dfm objects, whose document names are fixed.)

```
# query the document names of the inaugural speech corpus
docnames(inaugCorpus) <- paste("Speech", 1:ndoc(inaugCorpus), sep="")
# reassign the document names of the inaugural speech corpus
docnames(inaugCorpus) <- paste("Speech", 1:ndoc(inaugCorpus), sep="")
# query the document names of a dfm
docnames(dfm(inaugTexts[1:5]))</pre>
```

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docvars

get or set for document-level variables

### **Description**

Get or set variables for the documents in a corpus

### Usage

```
docvars(x, field = NULL)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
docvars(x, field = NULL)

docvars(x, field = NULL) <- value
## S3 replacement method for class 'corpus'
docvars(x, field = NULL) <- value
## S3 method for class 'corpusSource'
docvars(x, field = NULL)</pre>
```

#### **Arguments**

x corpus whose document-level variables will be read or set
 field string containing the document-level variable name
 value the new values of the document-level variable

# Value

docvars returns a data.frame of the document-level variables docvars<- assigns value to the named field

# Note

Another way to access and set docvars is through indexing of the corpus j element, such as ie2010Corpus[, c("foren", "name"] or for a single docvar, ie2010Corpus[["name"]]. The latter also permits assignment, including the easy creation of new document varibles, e.g. ie2010Corpus[["newvar"]] · See [.corpus for details.

```
head(docvars(inaugCorpus))
docvars(inaugCorpus, "President") <- paste("prez", 1:ndoc(inaugCorpus), sep="")
head(docvars(inaugCorpus))

# alternative using indexing
head(inaugCorpus[, "Year"])
inaugCorpus[["President2"]] <- paste("prezTwo", 1:ndoc(inaugCorpus), sep="")
head(docvars(inaugCorpus))</pre>
```

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a .zip file of texts containing a variety of differently encoded texts

# **Description**

A set of translations of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, plus one or two other miscellaneous texts, for testing the text input functions that need to translate different input encodings.

#### **Source**

The Universal Declaration of Human Rights resources, http://www.ohchr.org/EN/UDHR/Pages/SearchByLang.aspx

```
## Not run: # unzip the files to a temporary directory
FILEDIR <- tempdir()</pre>
unzip(system.file("extdata", "encodedTextFiles.zip", package = "quanteda"), exdir = FILEDIR)
# get encoding from filename
filenames <- list.files(FILEDIR, "\\.txt$")</pre>
# strip the extension
filenames <- gsub(".txt$", "", filenames)</pre>
parts <- strsplit(filenames, "_")</pre>
fileencodings <- sapply(parts, "[", 3)</pre>
fileencodings
# find out which conversions are unavailable (through iconv())
cat("Encoding conversions not available for this platform:")
notAvailableIndex <- which(!(fileencodings %in% iconvlist()))</pre>
fileencodings[notAvailableIndex]
# try textfile
require(quanteda)
tfile <- textfile(paste0(FILEDIR, "/", "*.txt"))</pre>
substring(texts(tfile)[1], 1, 80) # gibberish
substring(texts(tfile)[4], 1, 80) # hex
substring(texts(tfile)[40], 1, 80) # hex
# read them in again
tfile <- textfile(paste0(FILEDIR, "/", "*.txt"), encoding = fileencodings)</pre>
substring(texts(tfile)[1], 1, 80) # English
substring(texts(tfile)[4], 1, 80) # Arabic, looking good
substring(texts(tfile)[40], 1, 80) # Cyrillic, looking good
substring(texts(tfile)[7], 1, 80) # Chinese, looking good
substring(texts(tfile)[26], 1, 80) # Hindi, looking good
tfile <- textfile(paste0(FILEDIR, "/", "*.txt"), encoding = fileencodings,</pre>
                   docvarsfrom = "filenames",
                   docvarnames = c("document", "language", "inputEncoding"))
encodingCorpus <- corpus(tfile, source = "Created by encoding-tests.R")</pre>
summary(encodingCorpus)
## End(Not run)
```

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encodedTexts

encoded texts for testing

# Description

encodedTexts is a 10-element character vector with 10 different encodings

# **Examples**

```
Encoding(encodedTexts)
data.frame(labelled = names(encodedTexts), detected = encoding(encodedTexts)$all)
```

encoding

detect the encoding of texts

### **Description**

Detect the encoding of texts in a character, corpus, or corpusSource-class object and report on the most likely encoding. Useful in detecting the encoding of input texts, so that a source encoding can be (re)specified when inputting a set of texts using textfile, prior to constructing a corpus.

# Usage

```
encoding(x, verbose = TRUE, ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
encoding(x, verbose = TRUE, ...)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
encoding(x, verbose = TRUE, ...)
## S3 method for class 'corpusSource'
encoding(x, verbose = TRUE, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

character vector, corpus, or corpusSource object whose texts' encodings will be detected.
 if FALSE, do not print diagnostic report
 additional arguments passed to stri\_enc\_detect

# **Details**

Based on stri\_enc\_detect, which is in turn based on the ICU libraries. See the ICU User Guide, http://userguide.icu-project.org/conversion/detection.

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# **Examples**

```
encoding(encodedTexts)
# show detected value for each text, versus known encoding
data.frame(labelled = names(encodedTexts), detected = encoding(encodedTexts)$all)
encoding(ukimmigTexts)
encoding(inaugCorpus)
encoding(ie2010Corpus)

## Not run: # Russian text, Windows-1251
mytextfile <- textfile("http://www.kenbenoit.net/files/01_er_5.txt", cache = FALSE)
encoding(mytextfile)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

exampleString

A paragraph of text for testing various text-based functions

### **Description**

This is a long paragraph (2,914 characters) of text taken from an Irish budget speech by Joe Higgins.

#### **Format**

character vector with one element

# **Examples**

```
tokenize(exampleString, removePunct = TRUE)
```

features

extract the feature labels from a dfm

# **Description**

Extract the features from a document-feature matrix, which are stored as the column names of the dfm object.

# Usage

```
features(x)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
features(x)
```

### **Arguments**

Χ

the object (dfm) whose features will be extracted

### Value

Character vector of the features

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#### **Examples**

```
inaugDfm <- dfm(inaugTexts, verbose = FALSE)

# first 50 features (in original text order)
head(features(inaugDfm), 50)

# first 50 features alphabetically
head(sort(features(inaugDfm)), 50)

# contrast with descending total frequency order from topfeatures()
names(topfeatures(inaugDfm, 50))</pre>
```

head.dfm

Return the first or last part of a dfm

# **Description**

For a dfm-class object, returns the first or last n documents and first ncol features for inspection.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
head(x, n = 6L, nfeature = 6L, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'dfm'
head(x, n = 6L, nfeature = 6L, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'dfm'
tail(x, n = 6L, nfeature = 6L, ...)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
tail(x, n = 6L, nfeature = 6L, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

x a dfm object

n a single integer. If positive, size for the resulting object: number of first/last

documents for the dfm. If negative, all but the n last/first number of documents

of x.

nfeature the number of features to return, where the resulting object will contain the first

ncol features

... additional arguments passed to other functions

# Value

A dfm-class class object corresponding to the subset defined by n and ncol.

```
myDfm <- dfm(inaugCorpus, ngrams = 2, verbose = FALSE)
head(myDfm)
tail(myDfm)
tail(myDfm, nfeature = 4)</pre>
```

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ie2010Corpus

Irish budget speeches from 2010

# Description

Speeches and document-level variables from the debate over the Irish budget of 2010.

#### **Format**

The corpus object for the 2010 budget speeches, with document-level variables for year, debate, serial number, first and last name of the speaker, and the speaker's party.

#### Source

Lowe, Will, and Kenneth R Benoit. 2013. "Validating Estimates of Latent Traits From Textual Data Using Human Judgment as a Benchmark." *Political Analysis* 21: 298-313.

# **Examples**

summary(ie2010Corpus)

inaugCorpus

A corpus of US presidential inaugural addresses from 1789-2013

# **Description**

inaugCorpus is the quanteda-package corpus object of US presidents' inaugural addresses since 1789. Document variables contain the year of the address and the last name of the president.

inaugTexts is the character vector of US presidential inaugaration speeches

### References

https://archive.org/details/Inaugural-Address-Corpus-1789-2009 and http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/inaugurals.php.

```
# some operations on the inaugural corpus
summary(inaugCorpus)
head(docvars(inaugCorpus), 10)
# working with the character vector only
str(inaugTexts)
head(docvars(inaugCorpus), 10)
mycorpus <- corpus(inaugTexts)</pre>
```

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kwic

List key words in context from a text or a corpus of texts.

### **Description**

For a text or a collection of texts (in a quanteda corpus object), return a list of a keyword supplied by the user in its immediate context, identifying the source text and the word index number within the source text. (Not the line number, since the text may or may not be segmented using end-of-line delimiters.)

### Usage

```
kwic(x, keywords, window = 5, valuetype = c("glob", "regex", "fixed"),
    case_insensitive = TRUE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'character'
kwic(x, keywords, window = 5, valuetype = c("glob",
    "regex", "fixed"), case_insensitive = TRUE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'corpus'
kwic(x, keywords, window = 5, valuetype = c("glob",
    "regex", "fixed"), case_insensitive = TRUE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'tokenizedTexts'
kwic(x, keywords, window = 5, valuetype = c("glob",
    "regex", "fixed"), case_insensitive = TRUE, ...)

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

#### **Arguments**

x a text character, quanteda corpus, or tokenizedTexts object

keywords A keyword pattern or phrase consisting of multiple keyword patterns, possibly

including punctuation. If a phrase, keywords will be tokenized using the ...

options.

window The number of context words to be displayed around the keyword.

valuetype how to interpret keyword expressions: "glob" for "glob"-style wildcard expres-

sions; "regex" for regular expressions; or "fixed" for exact matching (entire words, for instance). If "fixed" is used with case\_insensitive = TRUE, the

text will be lowercased prior to matching.

case\_insensitive

match without respect to case if TRUE

... additional arguments passed to tokenize, for applicable methods

#### Value

A kwic object classed data.frame, with the document name (docname), the token index position (position), the context before (contextPre), the keyword in its original format (keyword, preserving case and attached punctuation), and the context after (contextPost).

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#### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit

#### **Examples**

```
head(kwic(inaugTexts, "secure*", window = 3, valuetype = "glob"))
head(kwic(inaugTexts, "secur", window = 3, valuetype = "regex"))
head(kwic(inaugTexts, "security", window = 3, valuetype = "fixed"))
kwic(inaugCorpus, "war against")
kwic(inaugCorpus, "war against", valuetype = "regex")
```

LBGexample

dfm with example data from Table 1 of Laver Benoit and Garry (2003)

# **Description**

Constructed example data to demonstrate the Wordscores algorithm, from Laver Benoit and Garry (2003), Table 1.

#### **Format**

A dfm object with 6 documents and 37 features

#### **Details**

This is the example word count data from Laver, Benoit and Garry's (2003) Table 1. Documents R1 to R5 are assumed to have known positions: -1.5, -0.75, 0, 0.75, 1.5. Document V1 is assumed unknown, and will have a raw text score of approximately -0.45 when computed as per LBG (2003).

# References

Laver, Michael, Kenneth Benoit, and John Garry. 2003. "Estimating policy positions from political text using words as data." *American Political Science Review* 97(2): 311-331.

lexdiv

calculate lexical diversity

# Description

Calculate the lexical diversity or complexity of text(s).

```
lexdiv(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
lexdiv(x, measure = c("all", "TTR", "C", "R", "CTTR", "U", "S",
    "Maas"), log.base = 10, drop = TRUE, ...)
```

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#### **Arguments**

x an input object, such as a document-feature matrix object

... not used

measure a character vector defining the measure to calculate.

log.base a numeric value defining the base of the logarithm (for measures using logs)

drop if TRUE, the result is returned as a numeric vector if only a single measure is

requested; otherwise, a data frame is returned with each column consisting of a

requested measure.

#### **Details**

lexdiv calculates a variety of proposed indices for lexical diversity. In the following formulae, N refers to the total number of tokens, and V to the number of types:

"TTR": The ordinary Type-Token Ratio:

$$TTR = \frac{V}{N}$$

"C": Herdan's C (Herdan, 1960, as cited in Tweedie & Baayen, 1998; sometimes referred to as LogTTR):

$$C = \frac{\log V}{\log N}$$

"R": Guiraud's Root TTR (Guiraud, 1954, as cited in Tweedie & Baayen, 1998):

$$R = \frac{V}{\sqrt{N}}$$

"CTTR": Carroll's Corrected TTR:

$$CTTR = \frac{V}{\sqrt{2N}}$$

"U": Dugast's Uber Index (Dugast, 1978, as cited in Tweedie & Baayen, 1998):

$$U = \frac{(\log N)^2}{\log N - \log V}$$

"S": Summer's index:

$$S = \frac{\log \log V}{\log \log N}$$

"K": Yule's K (Yule, 1944, as cited in Tweedie & Baayen, 1998) is calculated by:

$$K = 10^4 \times \frac{(\sum_{X=1}^{X} f_X X^2) - N}{N^2}$$

where N is the number of tokens, X is a vector with the frequencies of each type, and  $f_X$  is the frequencies for each X.

"Maas": Maas' indices  $(a, \log V_0 \& \log_e V_0)$ :

$$a^2 = \frac{\log N - \log V}{\log N^2}$$

$$\log V_0 = \frac{\log V}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{\log V}{\log N}}}$$

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The measure was derived from a formula by Mueller (1969, as cited in Maas, 1972).  $\log_e V_0$  is equivalent to  $\log V_0$ , only with e as the base for the logarithms. Also calculated are a,  $\log V_0$  (both not the same as before) and V' as measures of relative vocabulary growth while the text progresses. To calculate these measures, the first half of the text and the full text will be examined (see Maas, 1972, p. 67 ff. for details). Note: for the current method (for a dfm) there is no computation on separate halves of the text.

#### Value

a data.frame or vector of lexical diversity statistics, each row or vector element corresponding to an input document

#### Note

This implements only the static measures of lexical diversity, not more complex measures based on windows of text such as the Mean Segmental Type-Token Ratio, the Moving-Average Type-Token Ratio (Covington & McFall, 2010), the MLTD or MLTD-MA (Moving-Average Measure of Textual Lexical Diversity) proposed by McCarthy & Jarvis (2010) or Jarvis (no year), or the HD-D version of vocd-D (see McCarthy & Jarvis, 2007). These are available from the package **korRpus**.

#### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit, adapted from the S4 class implementation written by Meik Michalke in the **koRpus** package.

#### References

Covington, M.A. & McFall, J.D. (2010). Cutting the Gordian Knot: The Moving-Average Type-Token Ratio (MATTR). *Journal of Quantitative Linguistics*, 17(2), 94–100.

Maas, H.-D., (1972). \"Uber den Zusammenhang zwischen Wortschatzumfang und L\"ange eines Textes. Zeitschrift f\"ur Literaturwissenschaft und Linguistik, 2(8), 73–96.

McCarthy, P.M. & Jarvis, S. (2007). vocd: A theoretical and empirical evaluation. *Language Testing*, 24(4), 459–488.

McCarthy, P.M. & Jarvis, S. (2010). MTLD, vocd-D, and HD-D: A validation study of sophisticated approaces to lexical diversity assessment. *Behaviour Research Methods*, 42(2), 381–392.

Michalke, Meik. (2014) *koRpus: An R Package for Text Analysis*. Version 0.05-5. http://reaktanz.de/?c=hacking&s=koRpus

Tweedie. F.J. & Baayen, R.H. (1998). How Variable May a Constant Be? Measures of Lexical Richness in Perspective. *Computers and the Humanities*, 32(5), 323–352.

```
mydfm <- dfm(subset(inaugCorpus, Year > 1980), verbose = FALSE)
(results <- lexdiv(mydfm, c("CTTR", "TTR", "U")))
cor(lexdiv(mydfm, "all"))

# with different settings of drop
lexdiv(mydfm, "TTR", drop = TRUE)
lexdiv(mydfm, "TTR", drop = FALSE)</pre>
```

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metacorpus

get or set corpus metadata

### **Description**

Get or set the corpus-level metadata in a quanteda corpus object.

### Usage

```
metacorpus(x, field = NULL)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
metacorpus(x, field = NULL)
metacorpus(x, field) <- value</pre>
```

### **Arguments**

x A quanteda corpus object

field Metadata field name(s). If NULL (default), return all metadata names.

value new value of the corpus metadata field

#### Value

For metacorpus, a list of the metadata fields in the corpus. If a list is not what you wanted, you can wrap the results in unlist, but this will remove any metadata field that is set to NULL.

For metacorpus <-, the corpus with the updated metadata.

## **Examples**

```
metacorpus(inaugCorpus)
metacorpus(inaugCorpus, "source")
metacorpus(inaugCorpus, "citation") <- "Presidential Speeches Online Project (2014)."
metacorpus(inaugCorpus, "citation")</pre>
```

metadoc

get or set document-level meta-data

## Description

Get or set the document-level meta-data, including reserved fields for language and corpus.

#### Usage

```
metadoc(x, field = NULL)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
metadoc(x, field = NULL)
metadoc(x, field = NULL) <- value
metadoc(x, field = NULL) <- value</pre>
```

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### **Arguments**

| X     | A quanteda corpus object  |
|-------|---|
| field | character, the name of the metadata field(s) to be queried or set |
| value | the new value of the new meta-data field                          |

### Value

For texts, a character vector of the texts in the corpus.

For texts <-, the corpus with the updated texts.

### Note

Document-level meta-data names are preceded by an underscore character, such as \_language, but when named in in the field argument, do *not* need the underscore character.

### **Examples**

```
mycorp <- subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1990)
summary(mycorp, showmeta = TRUE)
metadoc(mycorp, "encoding") <- "UTF-8"
metadoc(mycorp)
metadoc(mycorp, "language") <- "english"
summary(mycorp, showmeta = TRUE)</pre>
```

mobydickText

Project Gutenberg text of Herman Melville's Moby Dick

## Description

Named character object of the ASCII text of Herman Melville's Moby Dick, EBook no. 2701.

# Source

```
Project Gutenberg, http://www.gutenberg.org
```

```
summary(mobydickText)
```

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ndoc

get the number of documents or features

## **Description**

ndoc returns the number of documents or features in a quanteda object, which can be a corpus, dfm, or tokenized texts.

nfeature is an alias for ntype when applied to dfm objects. For a corpus or set of texts, "features" are only defined through tokenization, so you need to use ntoken to count these.

# Usage

```
ndoc(x)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
ndoc(x)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
ndoc(x)

nfeature(x)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
nfeature(x)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
nfeature(x)
```

## **Arguments**

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a corpus or dfm object

### Value

an integer (count) of the number of documents or features in the corpus or dfm

```
ndoc(subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1980))
ndoc(dfm(subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1980), verbose=FALSE))
nfeature(dfm(inaugCorpus))
nfeature(trim(dfm(inaugCorpus), minDoc=5, minCount=10))
```

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ngrams

Create ngrams and skipgrams

### **Description**

Create a set of ngrams (tokens in sequence) from character vectors or tokenized text objects, with an optional skip argument to form skipgrams. Both the ngram length and the skip lengths take vectors of arguments to form multiple lengths or skips in one pass. ngrams() is implemented in C++ for efficiency.

### Usage

```
ngrams(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
ngrams(x, n = 2L, skip = 0L, concatenator = "_", ...)
## S3 method for class 'tokenizedTexts'
ngrams(x, n = 2L, skip = 0L, concatenator = "_", ...)
skipgrams(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
skipgrams(x, n, skip, concatenator = "_", ...)
## S3 method for class 'tokenizedTexts'
skipgrams(x, n, skip, concatenator = "_", ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

| x            | a tokenizedText object or a character vector of tokens   |
|--------------|--|
|              | not used   |
| n            | integer vector specifying the number of elements to be concatenated in each ngram  |
| skip         | integer vector specifying the adjacency skip size for tokens forming the ngrams, default is 0 for only immediately neighbouring words. For skipgrams, skip can be a vector of integers, as the "classic" approach to forming skip-grams is to set skip = $k$ where $k$ is the distance for which $k$ or fewer skips are used to construct the $n$ -gram. Thus a "4-skip-n-gram" defined as skip = $0:4$ produces results that include 4 skips, 3 skips, 2 skips, 1 skip, and 0 skips (where 0 skips are typical n-grams formed from adjacent words). See Guthrie et al (2006). |
| concatenator | character for combining words, default is _ (underscore) character   |

#### **Details**

Normally, ngrams will be called through tokenize, but these functions are also exported in case a user wants to perform lower-level ngram construction on tokenized texts.

skipgrams is a wrapper to ngrams that requires arguments to be supplied for both n and skip. For k-skip skipgrams, set skip to 0:k, in order to conform to the definition of skip-grams found in

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Guthrie et al (2006): A k skip-gram is an ngram which is a superset of all ngrams and each (k-i) skip-gram until (k-i) == 0 (which includes 0 skip-grams).

#### Value

a tokenizedTexts object consisting a list of character vectors of ngrams, one list element per text, or a character vector if called on a simple character vector

#### Author(s)

Kohei Watanabe and Ken Benoit

#### References

Guthrie, D., B. Allison, W. Liu, and L. Guthrie. 2006. "A Closer Look at Skip-Gram Modelling."

### **Examples**

```
# ngrams
ngrams(LETTERS, n = 2)
ngrams(LETTERS, n = 2, skip = 1)
ngrams(LETTERS, n = 2, skip = 0:1)
ngrams(LETTERS, n = 1:2)
ngrams(LETTERS, n = c(2,3), skip = 0:1)
tokens <- tokenize("the quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog.",
                   removePunct = TRUE, simplify = TRUE)
ngrams(tokens, n = 1:3)
ngrams(tokens, n = c(2,4), concatenator = "")
ngrams(tokens, n = c(2,4), skip = 1, concatenator = "")
# skipgrams
tokens <- tokenize(toLower("Insurgents killed in ongoing fighting."),</pre>
                   removePunct = TRUE, simplify = TRUE)
skipgrams(tokens, n = 2, skip = 0:1, concatenator = " ")
skipgrams(tokens, n = 2, skip = 0:2, concatenator = " ")
skipgrams(tokens, n = 3, skip = 0:2, concatenator = " ")
```

nsentence

count the number of sentences

### **Description**

Return the count of sentences in a corpus or character.

# Usage

```
nsentence(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
nsentence(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
nsentence(x, ...)
```

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#### **Arguments**

```
x texts or corpus whose sentences will be counted... additional arguments passed to tokenize
```

#### Value

scalar count(s) of the total sentences per text

### Note

'nsentence()' relies on the boundaries definitions in the **stringi** package (see stri\_opts\_brkiter). It does not count sentences correctly if the text has been transformed to lower case, and for this reason 'nsentence()' will stop with an error if it detects all lower-cased text.

## **Examples**

ntoken

count the number of tokens or types

### **Description**

Return the count of tokens (total features) or types (unique features) in a text, corpus, or dfm. "tokens" here means all words, not unique words, and these are not cleaned prior to counting.

### Usage

ntoken(x, ...)

```
ntype(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
ntoken(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
ntype(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
ntoken(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'tokenizedTexts'
ntoken(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
ntype(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
ntype(x, ...)
```

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```
ntoken(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
ntype(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'tokenizedTexts'
ntype(x, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

x texts or corpus whose tokens or types will be counted... additional arguments passed to tokenize

#### Value

scalar count of the total tokens or types

#### Note

Due to differences between raw text tokens and features that have been defined for a dfm, the counts be different for dfm objects and the texts from which the dfm was generated. Because the method tokenizes the text in order to count the tokens, your results will depend on the options passed through to tokenize

## **Examples**

```
# simple example
txt <- c(text1 = "This is a sentence, this.", text2 = "A word. Repeated repeated.")
ntoken(txt)
ntype(txt)
ntoken(toLower(txt))  # same
ntype(toLower(txt))  # fewer types
ntoken(toLower(txt), removePunct = TRUE)
ntype(toLower(txt), removePunct = TRUE)

# with some real texts
ntoken(subset(inaugCorpus, Year<1806, removePunct = TRUE))
ntype(subset(inaugCorpus, Year<1806, removePunct = TRUE))
ntoken(dfm(subset(inaugCorpus, Year<1800)))
ntype(dfm(subset(inaugCorpus, Year<1800)))</pre>
```

phrasetotoken

convert phrases into single tokens

## Description

Replace multi-word phrases in text(s) with a compound version of the phrases concatenated with concatenator (by default, the "\_" character) to form a single token. This prevents tokenization of the phrases during subsequent processing by eliminating the whitespace delimiter.

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#### **Usage**

```
phrasetotoken(object, phrases, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'corpus,ANY'
phrasetotoken(object, phrases, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'character,dictionary'
phrasetotoken(object, phrases, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'character,collocations'
phrasetotoken(object, phrases, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'character,character'
phrasetotoken(object, phrases,
    concatenator = "_", valuetype = c("glob", "regex", "fixed"),
    case_insensitive = TRUE, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

object source texts, a character or character vector

phrases a dictionary object that contains some phrases, defined as multiple words de-

limited by whitespace, up to 9 words long; or a quanteda collocation object

created by collocations

... additional arguments passed through to core "character, character" method

concatenator the concatenation character that will connect the words making up the multi-

word phrases. The default \_ is highly recommended since it will not be removed during normal cleaning and tokenization (while nearly all other punctuation characters, at least those in the Unicode punctuation class [P] will be

removed.

valuetype how to interpret word matching patterns: "glob" for "glob"-style wildcarding,

fixed for words as is; "regex" for regular expressions

case\_insensitive

if TRUE, ignore case when matching

### Value

character or character vector of texts with phrases replaced by compound "words" joined by the concatenator

### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit

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plot.dfm

plot features as a wordcloud

#### **Description**

The default plot method for a dfm object. Produces a wordcloud plot for the features of the dfm, where the feature labels are plotted with their sizes proportional to their numerical values in the dfm. When comparison = TRUE, it plots comparison word clouds by document.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
plot(x, comparison = FALSE, ...)
```

### Arguments

x a dfm object
comparison if TRUE, plot a comparison. cloud instead of a simple wordcloud, one grouping per document
... additional parameters passed to to wordcloud or to text (and strheight, strwidth)

#### **Details**

The default is to plot the word cloud of all of the features in the dfm, summed across documents. To produce word cloud plots for specific document or set of documents, you need to slice out the document(s) from the dfm.

Comparison word cloud plots may be plotted by setting comparison = TRUE, which plots a separate grouping for *each document* in the dfm. This means that you will need to slice out just a few documents from the dfm, or to create a dfm where the "documents" represent a subset or a grouping of documents by some document variable.

#### See Also

```
wordcloud, comparison.cloud
```

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#### **Examples**

plot.kwic

plot a dispersion plot of key word(s)

### **Description**

Plots a dispersion or "x-ray" plot of selected word pattern(s) across one or more texts. The format of the plot depends on the number of kwic class objects passed: if there is only one document, keywords are plotted one below the other. If there are multiple documents the documents are plotted one below the other, with keywords shown side-by-side.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'kwic'
plot(...)
```

### **Arguments**

... any number of kwic class objects

#### Value

plot.kwic returns a ggplot object

#### Author(s)

Adam Obeng

```
## Not run:
plot(kwic(inaugCorpus, "american"))
plot(kwic(inaugCorpus, "american"), kwic(inaugCorpus, "people"))
## End(Not run)
```

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```
{\tt predict.textmodel\_NB\_fitted}
```

prediction method for Naive Bayes classifier objects

## Description

implements class predictions using trained Naive Bayes examples

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'textmodel_NB_fitted'
predict(object, newdata = NULL, scores = c(-1,
    1), ...)
```

### **Arguments**

object a fitted Naive Bayes textmodel

newdata dfm on which prediction should be made

scores "reference" values when the wordscores equivalent implementation of Naive

Bayes prediction is used. Default is c(-1, 1).

... not used

#### Value

A list of two data frames, named docs and words corresponding to word- and document-level predicted quantities

docs data frame with document-level predictive quantities: nb.predicted, ws.predicted,

bs.predicted, PcGw, wordscore.doc, bayesscore.doc, posterior.diff, posterior.logdiff. Note that the diff quantities are currently implemented only for two-class solu-

tions.

words data-frame with word-level predictive quantities: wordscore.word, bayesscore.word

### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit

print.dfm

print a dfm object

#### **Description**

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#### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'dfm'
print(x, show.values = FALSE, show.settings = FALSE,
  show.summary = TRUE, ndoc = 20L, nfeature = 20L, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse'
print(x, show.values = FALSE, show.settings = FALSE,
  show.summary = TRUE, ndoc = 20L, nfeature = 20L, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense'
print(x, show.values = FALSE, show.settings = FALSE,
  show.summary = TRUE, ndoc = 20L, nfeature = 20L, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse'
show(object)
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense'
show(object)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
print(x, show.values = FALSE, show.settings = FALSE,
  show.summary = TRUE, ndoc = 20L, nfeature = 20L, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

```
x the dfm to be printed
show.values print the dfm as a matrix or array (if resampled).
show.settings print the settings used to create the dfm. See settings.
show.summary print a brief summary indicating the number of documents and features
ndoc max number of documents to print
nfeature max number of features to print
... further arguments passed to or from other methods
object the item to be printed
```

## **Description**

print method for a tokenizedText object

#### Usage

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

### **Arguments**

```
x a tokenizedText object created by tokenize
... further arguments passed to base print method
```

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readability

calculate readability

### **Description**

Calculate the readability of text(s).

### Usage

```
readability(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
readability(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
readability(x, measure = c("all", "ARI", "ARI.simple",
  "Bormuth", "Bormuth.GP", "Coleman", "Coleman.C2", "Coleman.Liau",
  "Coleman.Liau.grade", "Coleman.Liau.short", "Dale.Chall", "Dale.Chall.old",
 "Dale.Chall.PSK", "Danielson.Bryan", "Danielson.Bryan.2", "Dickes.Steiwer",
  "DRP", "ELF", "Farr.Jenkins.Paterson", "Flesch", "Flesch.PSK",
 "Flesch.Kincaid", "FOG", "FOG.PSK", "FOG.NRI", "FORCAST", "FORCAST.RGL",
  "Fucks", "Linsear.Write", "LIW", "nWS", "nWS.2", "nWS.3", "nWS.4", "RIX",
  "Scrabble", "SMOG", "SMOG.C", "SMOG.simple",
                                                    "SMOG.de", "Spache",
  "Spache.old", "Strain", "Traenkle.Bailer", "Traenkle.Bailer.2",
  "Wheeler.Smith", "meanSentenceLength", "meanWordSyllables"),
  removeHyphens = TRUE, drop = TRUE, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

x a corpus object or character vector

... not used

measure character vector defining the readability measure to calculate

removeHyphens if TRUE, treat constituent words in hyphenated as separate terms, for purposes of

computing word lengths, e.g. "decision-making" as two terms of lengths 8 and

6 characters respectively, rather than as a single word of 15 characters

drop if TRUE, the result is returned as a numeric vector if only a single measure is

requested; otherwise, a data.frame is returned with each column consisting of a

requested measure.

## Value

a data.frame object consisting of the documents as rows, and the readability statistics as columns

#### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit, re-engineered from the function of the same name by Meik Michalke in the **koR-pus** package.

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#### **Examples**

```
readability(inaugCorpus, measure = "Flesch.Kincaid")
txt <- c("Readability zero one. Ten, Eleven.", "The cat in a dilapidated tophat.")
readability(txt, "Flesch.Kincaid")
readability(txt, "Flesch.Kincaid", drop = FALSE)
readability(txt, c("FOG", "FOG.PSK", "FOG.NRI"))
inaugReadability <- readability(inaugCorpus, "all")
round(cor(inaugReadability), 2)</pre>
```

removeFeatures

remove features from an object

### **Description**

Removes features from a variety of objects, such as text, a dfm, or a list of collocations. The most common usage for removeFeatures will be to eliminate stop words from a text or text-based object. This function simply provides a convenience wrapper for selectFeatures where selection = "remove".

## Usage

```
removeFeatures(x, features, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

x object from which stopwords will be removed features character vector of features to remove additional arguments passed to selectFeatures

#### Value

an object with matching features removed

### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit

## See Also

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```
removeFeatures(itText, stopwords("italian"), case_insensitive = TRUE)
## example for dfm objects
mydfm <- dfm(ukimmigTexts, verbose=FALSE)
removeFeatures(mydfm, stopwords("english"))
## example for collocations
(myCollocs <- collocations(inaugTexts[1:3], n=20))
removeFeatures(myCollocs, stopwords("english"))
removeFeatures(myCollocs, stopwords("english"), pos = 2)</pre>
```

sample

Randomly sample documents or features

#### **Description**

Takes a random sample or documents or features of the specified size from a corpus or document-feature matrix, with or without replacement

### Usage

```
sample(x, size, replace = FALSE, prob = NULL, ...)
## Default S3 method:
sample(x, size, replace = FALSE, prob = NULL, ...)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
sample(x, size = ndoc(x), replace = FALSE, prob = NULL, ...)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
sample(x, size = ndoc(x), replace = FALSE, prob = NULL, what = c("documents", "features"), ...)
```

# Arguments

| X       | a corpus or dfm object whose documents or features will be sampled                      |  |
|---------|---|--|
| size    | a positive number, the number of documents to select                                    |  |
| replace | Should sampling be with replacement?  |  |
| prob    | A vector of probability weights for obtaining the elements of the vector being sampled. |  |
|         | unused sample, which is not defined as a generic method in the base package.            |  |
| what    | dimension (of a dfm) to sample: can be documents or features                            |  |
|         |   |  |

## Value

A corpus object with number of documents equal to size, drawn from the corpus x. The returned corpus object will contain all of the meta-data of the original corpus, and the same document variables for the documents selected.

A dfm object with number of documents equal to size, drawn from the corpus x. The returned corpus object will contain all of the meta-data of the original corpus, and the same document variables for the documents selected.

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#### See Also

```
sample
```

#### **Examples**

```
# sampling from a corpus
summary(sample(inaugCorpus, 5))
summary(sample(inaugCorpus, 10, replace=TRUE))
# sampling from a dfm
myDfm <- dfm(inaugTexts[1:10], verbose = FALSE)
sample(myDfm)[, 1:10]
sample(myDfm, replace = TRUE)[, 1:10]
sample(myDfm, what = "features")[1:10, ]</pre>
```

scrabble

compute the Scrabble letter values of text

### **Description**

Compute the Scrabble letter values of text given a user-supplied function, such as the sum (default) or mean of the character values.

### Usage

```
scrabble(x, FUN = sum)
## S3 method for class 'character'
scrabble(x, FUN = sum)
```

### **Arguments**

x a character vector

FUN function to be applied to the character values in the text; default is sum, but could

also be mean or a user-supplied function

### Value

a vector of Scabble letter values, computed using FUN, corresponding to the input text(s)

## Note

Character values are only defined for non-accented Latin a-z, A-Z letters. Lower-casing is unnecessary.

#### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit

```
scrabble(c("muzjiks", "excellency"))
scrabble(inaugTexts[1:5], mean)
```

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segment

segment texts into component elements

### **Description**

Segment text(s) into tokens, sentences, paragraphs, or other sections. segment works on a character vector or corpus object, and allows the delimiters to be defined. See details.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'character'
segment(x, what = c("tokens", "sentences", "paragraphs",
    "tags", "other"), delimiter = ifelse(what == "tokens", " ", ifelse(what ==
    "sentences", "[.!?:;]", ifelse(what == "paragraphs", "\\n{2}", ifelse(what == "tags", "##\\w+\\b", NULL)))), valuetype = c("regex", "fixed",
    "glob"), perl = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'corpus'
segment(x, what = c("tokens", "sentences", "paragraphs",
    "tags", "other"), delimiter = ifelse(what == "tokens", " ", ifelse(what ==
    "sentences", "[.!?:;]", ifelse(what == "paragraphs", "\\n{2}", ifelse(what == "tags", "##\\w+\\b", NULL)))), valuetype = c("regex", "fixed",
    "glob"), perl = FALSE, keepdocvars = TRUE, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

| Χ           | text or corpus object to be segmented  |  |
|-------------|--|--|
|             | provides additional arguments passed to tokenize, if what = "tokens" is used   |  |
| what        | unit of segmentation. Current options are "tokens" (default), "sentences", "paragraphs", "tags", and "other". Segmenting on other allows segmentation of a text on any user-defined value, and must be accompanied by the delimiter argument. Segmenting on tags performs the same function but preserves the tags as a document variable in the segmented corpus. |  |
| delimiter   | delimiter defined as a regex for segmentation. Each type has its own default, except other, which requires a value to be specified.  |  |
| valuetype   | how to interpret the delimiter: fixed for exact matching; "regex" for regular expressions; or "glob" for "glob"-style wildcard patterns  |  |
| perl        | logical. Should Perl-compatible regular expressions be used?   |  |
| keepdocvars | if TRUE, repeat the docvar values for each segmented text; if FALSE, drop the docvars in the segmented corpus. Dropping the docvars might be useful in order to conserve space or if these are not desired for the segmented corpus.   |  |

#### **Details**

Tokens are delimited by Separators. For sentences, the delimiter can be defined by the user. The default for sentences includes ., !, ?, plus ; and :.

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For paragraphs, the default is two carriage returns, although this could be changed to a single carriage return by changing the value of delimiter to "\n{1}" which is the R version of the regex for one newline character. (You might need this if the document was created in a word processor, for instance, and the lines were wrapped in the window rather than being hard-wrapped with a newline character.)

#### Value

A list of segmented texts, with each element of the list correponding to one of the original texts.

#### Note

Does not currently record document segments if segmenting a multi-text corpus into smaller units. For this, use changeunits instead.

## **Examples**

```
# same as tokenize()
identical(tokenize(ukimmigTexts), segment(ukimmigTexts))
# segment into paragraphs
segment(ukimmigTexts[3:4], "paragraphs")
# segment a text into sentences
segmentedChar <- segment(ukimmigTexts, "sentences")</pre>
segmentedChar[2]
testCorpus <- corpus(c("##INTRO This is the introduction.
                       ##DOC1 This is the first document.
                       Second sentence in Doc 1.
                       ##DOC3 Third document starts here.
                       End of third document.",
                       "##INTRO Document ##NUMBER Two starts before ##NUMBER Three."))
# add a docvar
testCorpus[["serialno"]] <- paste0("textSerial", 1:ndoc(testCorpus))</pre>
testCorpusSeg <- segment(testCorpus, "tags")</pre>
summary(testCorpusSeg)
texts(testCorpusSeg)
# segment a corpus into sentences
segmentedCorpus <- segment(corpus(ukimmigTexts), "sentences")</pre>
identical(ndoc(segmentedCorpus), length(unlist(segmentedChar)))
```

selectFeatures

select features from an object

#### **Description**

This function selects or discards features from a dfm.variety of objects, such as tokenized texts, a dfm, or a list of collocations. The most common usage for removeFeatures will be to eliminate stop words from a text or text-based object, or to select only features from a list of regular expression.

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#### Usage

```
selectFeatures(x, features, ...)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
selectFeatures(x, features, selection = c("keep", "remove"),
    valuetype = c("glob", "regex", "fixed"), case_insensitive = TRUE,
    verbose = TRUE, ...)
## S3 method for class 'tokenizedTexts'
selectFeatures(x, features, selection = c("keep",
    "remove"), valuetype = c("glob", "regex", "fixed"),
    case_insensitive = TRUE, verbose = TRUE, ...)
## S3 method for class 'collocations'
selectFeatures(x, features, selection = c("keep",
    "remove"), valuetype = c("glob", "regex", "fixed"),
    case_insensitive = TRUE, verbose = TRUE, pos = 1:3, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

| X                | object whose features will be selected  |  |
|------------------|---|--|
| features         | one of: a character vector of features to be selected, a dfm whose features will be used for selection, or a dictionary class object whose values (not keys) will provide the features to be selected. For dfm objects, see details in the Value section below. |  |
|                  | supplementary arguments passed to the underlying functions in <pre>stri_detect_regex</pre> . (This is how case_insensitive is passed, but you may wish to pass others.)   |  |
| selection        | whether to keep or remove the features  |  |
| valuetype        | how to interpret feature vector: fixed for words as is; "regex" for regular expressions; or "glob" for "glob"-style wildcard  |  |
| case_insensitive |   |  |
|                  | ignore the case of dictionary values if TRUE  |  |
| verbose          | if TRUE print message about how many features were removed  |  |

indexes of word position if called on collocations: remove if word pos is a

#### Value

pos

A dfm after the feature selection has been applied.

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When features is a dfm-class object, then the returned object will be identical in its feature set to the dfm supplied as the features argument. This means that any features in x not in features will be discarded, and that any features in found in the dfm supplied as features but not found in x will be added with all zero counts. This is useful when you have trained a model on one dfm, and need to project this onto a test set whose features must be identical.

## Note

This function selects features based on their labels. To select features based on the values of a the document-feature matrix, use trim.

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#### See Also

```
removeFeatures, trim
```

#### **Examples**

```
myDfm <- dfm(c("My Christmas was ruined by your opposition tax plan.",</pre>
                "Does the United_States or Sweden have more progressive taxation?"),
             toLower = FALSE, verbose = FALSE)
mydict <- dictionary(list(countries = c("United_States", "Sweden", "France"),</pre>
                           wordsEndingInY = c("by", "my"),
                           notintext = "blahblah"))
selectFeatures(myDfm, mydict)
selectFeatures(myDfm, mydict, case_insensitive = FALSE)
\texttt{selectFeatures(myDfm, c("s\$", ".y"), "keep")}
selectFeatures(myDfm, c("s$", ".y"), "keep", valuetype = "regex")
selectFeatures(myDfm, c("s$", ".y"), "remove", valuetype = "regex")
selectFeatures(myDfm, stopwords("english"), "keep", valuetype = "fixed")
selectFeatures(myDfm, stopwords("english"), "remove", valuetype = "fixed")
# selecting on a dfm
textVec1 <- c("This is text one.", "This, the second text.", "Here: the third text.")
textVec2 <- c("Here are new words.", "New words in this text.")</pre>
(dfm1 <- dfm(textVec1, verbose = FALSE))</pre>
(dfm2a <- dfm(textVec2, verbose = FALSE))</pre>
(dfm2b <- selectFeatures(dfm2a, dfm1))</pre>
setequal(features(dfm1), features(dfm2b))
# more selection on a dfm
selectFeatures(dfm1, dfm2a)
selectFeatures(dfm1, dfm2a, selection = "remove")
toks <- tokenize(c("This is some example text from me.", "More of the example text."),
                  removePunct = TRUE)
selectFeatures(toks, stopwords("english"), "remove")
selectFeatures(toks, "ex", "keep", valuetype = "regex")
## example for collocations
(myCollocs <- collocations(inaugTexts[1:3], n=20))</pre>
selectFeatures(myCollocs, stopwords("english"), "remove")
```

settings

Get or set the corpus settings

### Description

Get or set the corpus settings

Get or set various settings in the corpus for the treatment of texts, such as rules for stemming, stopwords, collocations, etc.

Get the settings from a which a dfm was created

### Usage

```
settings(x, ...)
## Default S3 method:
settings(x = NULL, ...)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
settings(x, field = NULL, ...)
settings(x, field) <- value
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
settings(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'settings'
print(x, ...)</pre>
```

## **Arguments**

| X     | object from/to which settings are queried or applied  |  |
|-------|---|--|
|       | additional arguments  |  |
| field | string containing the name of the setting to be set or queried $settings(x)$ query the corps settings |  |
|       | <pre>settings(x, field) &lt;- update the corpus settings for field</pre>                              |  |
| value | new setting value   |  |

#### **Details**

Calling settings() with no arguments returns a list of system default settings.

# Examples

```
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```

print a dictionary object

### **Description**

Print/show method for dictionary objects.

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### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'dictionary'
show(object)
```

### **Arguments**

object the dictionary to be printed

similarity

compute similarities between documents and/or features

## **Description**

Compute similarities between documents and/or features from a dfm. Uses the similarity measures defined in simil. See pr\_DB for available distance measures, or how to create your own.

## Usage

```
similarity(x, selection = NULL, n = NULL, margin = c("documents",
   "features"), method = "correlation", sorted = TRUE, normalize = FALSE)

## S4 method for signature 'dfm'
similarity(x, selection = NULL, n = NULL,
   margin = c("documents", "features"), method = "correlation",
   sorted = TRUE, normalize = FALSE)

## S3 method for class 'similMatrix'
as.matrix(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'similMatrix'
print(x, digits = 4, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

| x         | a dfm object  |
|-----------|---|
| selection | character or character vector of document names or feature labels from the dfm  |
| n         | the top n most similar items will be returned, sorted in descending order. If n is NULL, return all items.  |
| margin    | identifies the margin of the dfm on which similarity will be computed: documents for documents or features for word/term features.  |
| method    | a valid method for computing similarity from pr_DB  |
| sorted    | sort results in descending order if TRUE  |
| normalize | a deprecated argument retained (temporarily) for legacy reasons. If you want to compute similarity on a "normalized" dfm objects (e.g. x), wrap it in weight(x, "relFreq"). |
|           | unused  |
| digits    | decimal places to display similarity values   |

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#### Value

a named list of the selection labels, with a sorted named vector of similarity measures.

#### Note

The method for computing feature similarities can be quite slow when there are large numbers of feature types. Future implementations will hopefully speed this up.

#### **Examples**

```
# create a dfm from inaugural addresses from Reagan onwards
presDfm <- dfm(subset(inaugCorpus, Year > 1980), ignoredFeatures = stopwords("english"),
                 stem = TRUE)
# compute some document similarities
(tmp <- similarity(presDfm, margin = "documents"))</pre>
# output as a matrix
as.matrix(tmp)
# for specific comparisons
similarity(presDfm, "1985-Reagan", n = 5, margin = "documents")
similarity(presDfm, c("2009-Obama" , "2013-Obama"), n = 5, margin = "documents")
similarity(presDfm, c("2009-Obama" , "2013-Obama"), margin = "documents")
similarity(presDfm, c("2009-Obama" , "2013-Obama"), margin = "documents", method = "cosine")
similarity(presDfm, "2005-Bush", margin = "documents", method = "eJaccard", sorted = FALSE)
# compute some term similarities
similarity(presDfm, c("fair", "health", "terror"), method="cosine", margin = "features", 20)
## Not run:
# compare to tm
require(tm)
data("crude")
crude <- tm_map(crude, content_transformer(tolower))</pre>
crude <- tm_map(crude, removePunctuation)</pre>
crude <- tm_map(crude, removeNumbers)</pre>
crude <- tm_map(crude, stemDocument)</pre>
tdm <- TermDocumentMatrix(crude)</pre>
findAssocs(tdm, c("oil", "opec", "xyz"), c(0.75, 0.82, 0.1))
# in quanteda
quantedaDfm <- new("dfmSparse", Matrix::Matrix(t(as.matrix(tdm))))</pre>
similarity(quantedaDfm, c("oil", "opec", "xyz"), margin = "features", n = 14)
corMat <- as.matrix(proxy::simil(as.matrix(quantedaDfm), by_rows = FALSE))</pre>
round(head(sort(corMat[, "oil"], decreasing = TRUE), 14), 2)
round(head(sort(corMat[, "opec"], decreasing = TRUE), 9), 2)
## End(Not run)
```

sort.dfm

sort a dfm by one or more margins

### **Description**

Sorts a dfm by frequency of total features, total features in documents, or both

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#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
sort(x, decreasing = TRUE, margin = c("features", "docs",
   "both"), ...)
```

### **Arguments**

x Document-feature matrix created by dfm

decreasing TRUE (default) if sort will be in descending order, otherwise sort in increasing

order

margin which margin to sort on features to sort by frequency of features, docs to sort

by total feature counts in documents, and both to sort by both

additional arguments passed to base method sort.int

#### Value

A sorted dfm matrix object

#### Author(s)

Ken Benoit

### **Examples**

stopwords

access built-in stopwords

### Description

This function retrieves stopwords from the type specified in the kind argument and returns the stopword list as a character vector The default is English.

#### Usage

```
stopwords(kind = "english", verbose = FALSE)
```

#### **Arguments**

kind The pre-set kind of stopwords (as a character string). Allowed values are english,

SMART, danish, french, hungarian, norwegian, russian, swedish, catalan,

dutch, finnish, german, italian, portuguese, spanish, arabic

verbose if FALSE, suppress the annoying warning note

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#### **Details**

The stopword list are SMART English stopwords from the SMART information retrieval system (obtained from http://jmlr.csail.mit.edu/papers/volume5/lewis04a/a11-smart-stop-list/english.stop) and a set of stopword lists from the Snowball stemmer project in different languages (obtained from http://svn.tartarus.org/snowball/trunk/website/algorithms/ – see the stop.txt files in each subdirectory). Supported languages are arabic, danish, dutch, english, finnish, french, german, hungarian, italian, norwegian, portuguese, russian, spanish, and swedish. Language names are case sensitive.

#### Value

a character vector of stopwords

#### A note of caution

Stop words are an arbitrary choice imposed by the user, and accessing a pre-defined list of words to ignore does not mean that it will perfectly fit your needs. You are strongly encourged to inspect the list and to make sure it fits your particular requirements. The built-in English stopword list does not contain "will", for instance, because of its multiple meanings, but you might want to include this word for your own application.

### **Examples**

```
stopwords("english")[1:5]
stopwords("italian")[1:5]
stopwords("arabic")[1:5]

# adding to the built-in stopword list
toks <- tokenize("The judge will sentence Mr. Adams to nine years in prison", removePunct = TRUE)
removeFeatures(toks, c(stopwords("english"), "will", "mr", "nine"))</pre>
```

subset.corpus

extract a subset of a corpus

## Description

Returns subsets of a corpus that meet certain conditions, including direct logical operations on docvars (document-level variables). Works just like the normal subset command but for corpus objects.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
subset(x, subset, select, ...)
```

## Arguments

| X      | corpus object to be subsetted.   |
|--------|--|
| subset | logical expression indicating elements or rows to keep: missing values are taken as false. |
| select | expression, indicating the attributes to select from the corpus                            |
|        | not used   |

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#### Value

corpus object

#### See Also

select

### **Examples**

```
summary(subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1980))
summary(subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1930 & President=="Roosevelt", select=Year))
```

summary.corpus

summarize a corpus or a vector of texts

## Description

Displays information about a corpus or vector of texts. For a corpus, this includes attributes and metadata such as date of number of texts, creation and source. For texts, prints to the console a desription of the texts, including number of types, tokens, and sentences.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
summary(object, n = 100, verbose = TRUE,
    showmeta = FALSE, toLower = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'character'
summary(object, n = 100, verbose = TRUE,
    toLower = FALSE, ...)

describeTexts(object, n = 100, verbose = TRUE, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

| object   | corpus or texts to be summarized   |
|----------|--|
| n        | maximum number of texts to describe, default=100   |
| verbose  | set to FALSE to turn off printed output, for instance if you simply want to assign the output to a $\mbox{\tt data.frame}$ |
| showmeta | for a corpus, set to TRUE to include document-level meta-data  |
| toLower  | convert texts to lower case before counting types  |
|          | additional arguments passed through to tokenize  |

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#### **Examples**

```
# summarize corpus information
summary(inaugCorpus)
summary(inaugCorpus, n=10)
mycorpus <- corpus(ukimmigTexts, docvars=data.frame(party=names(ukimmigTexts)), enc="UTF-8")
summary(mycorpus, showmeta=TRUE) # show the meta-data
mysummary <- summary(mycorpus, verbose=FALSE) # (quietly) assign the results
mysummary$Types / mysummary$Tokens # crude type-token ratio

# summarize texts
summary(c("Testing this text. Second sentence.", "And this one."))
summary(ukimmigTexts)
myTextSummaryDF <- summary(ukimmigTexts, verbose = FALSE)
head(myTextSummaryDF)</pre>
```

syllables

count syllables in a text

### **Description**

Returns a count of the number of syllables in texts. For English words, the syllable count is exact and looked up from the CMU pronunciation dictionary, from the default syllable dictionary englishSyllables. For any word not in the dictionary, the syllable count is estimated by counting vowel clusters.

englishSyllables is a quanteda-supplied data object consisting of a named numeric vector of syllable counts for the words used as names. This is the default object used to count English syllables. This object that can be accessed directly, but we strongly encourage you to access it only through the syllables() wrapper function.

### Usage

### **Arguments**

character vector or tokenizedText-class object whose syllables will be counted additional arguments passed to tokenize
 optional named integer vector of syllable counts where the names are lower case tokens. When set to NULL (default), then the function will use the quanteda data object englishSyllables, an English pronunciation dictionary from CMU.

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#### Value

If x is a character vector, a named numeric vector of the counts of the syllables in each text, without tokenization. If x consists of (a list of) tokenized texts, then return a list of syllable counts corresponding to the tokenized texts.

#### Note

All tokens are automatically converted to lowercase to perform the matching with the syllable dictionary, so there is no need to perform this step prior to calling syllables().

#### **Source**

englishSyllables is built from the freely available CMU pronunciation dictionary at http://www.speech.cs.cmu.ed

#### **Examples**

tagPOS

tag parts of speech in a tokenized list

### **Description**

Add tags to a tokenized list of parts of speech

### Usage

```
tagPOS(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'tokenizedTexts'
tagPOS(x, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

```
x list of tokens to tag
... not currently used
```

```
sents <- tokenize(inaugTexts[1], what="sentence", simplify=TRUE)
tokens <- lapply(sents, function(x) tokenize(x, simplify=TRUE))
pos <- tagPOS(tokens) # tokens should be sentence</pre>
```

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textfile

read a text corpus source from a file

### **Description**

Read a text corpus from a source file, where the single file will consist of a set of texts in columns and document variables and document-level meta-data in additional columns. For spreadsheet-like files, the first row must be a header.

### Usage

```
textfile(file, textField, cache = FALSE, docvarsfrom = c("filenames"),
    dvsep = "_", docvarnames = NULL, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'character,index,ANY,missing,missing,missing'
textfile(file,
    textField, cache = FALSE, docvarsfrom = c("filenames"), dvsep = "_",
    docvarnames = NULL, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'character,missing,ANY,missing,missing,missing'
textfile(file,
    textField, cache = FALSE, docvarsfrom = c("filenames"), dvsep = "_",
    docvarnames = NULL, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'character,missing,ANY,character,ANY,ANY'
textfile(file,
    textField = NULL, cache = FALSE, docvarsfrom = c("headers"),
    dvsep = "_", docvarnames = NULL, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

file

the complete filename(s) to be read. The value can be a vector of file names, a single file name, or a file "mask" using a "glob"-type wildcard value. Currently available file value types are:

txt plain text files

- json data in JavaScript Object Notation, consisting of the texts and additional document-level variables and document-level meta-data. The text key must be identified by specifying a textField value.
- csv comma separated value data, consisting of the texts and additional document-level variables and document-level meta-data. The text file must be identified by specifying a textField value.
- tab, tsv tab-separated value data, consisting of the texts and additional document-level variables and document-level meta-data. The text file must be identified by specifying a textField value.
- **a wildcard value** any valid pathname with a wildcard ("glob") expression that can be expanded by the operating system. This may consist of multiple file types.
- xml Basic flat XML documents are supported those of the kind supported by the function xmlToDataFrame function of the **XML** package.
- zip zip archive file, containing \*. txt files. This may be a URL to a zip file.

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textField a variable (column) name or column number indicating where to find the texts

that form the documents for the corpus. This must be specified for file types

.csv and .json.

cache If TRUE, write the object to a temporary file and store the temporary filename in

the corpusSource-class object definition. If FALSE, return the data in the object. Caching the file provides a way to read in very large quantities of textual data without storing two copies in memory: one as a corpusSource-class object and the second as a corpus class object. It also provides a way to try different settings of encoding conversion when creating a corpus from a corpusSource-class

object, without having to load in all of the source data again.

docvarsfrom used to specify that docvars should be taken from the filenames, when the

textfile inputs are filenames and the elements of the filenames are document variables, separated by a delimiter (dvsep). This allows easy assignment of docvars from filenames such as 1789-Washington.txt, 1793-Washington, etc. by

dvsep or from meta-data embedded in the text file header (headers).

dvsep separator used in filenames to delimit docvar elements if docvarsfrom="filenames"

is used

docvarnames character vector of variable names for docvars, if docvarsfrom is specified. If

this argument is not used, default docvar names will be used (docvar1, docvar2,

...).

additional arguments passed through to low-level file reading function, such as file, read.csv, etc. Useful for specifying an input encoding option, which is

specified in the same was as it would be give to iconv. See the Encoding section of file for details. Also useful for passing arguments through to read.csv, for instance 'quote = ""', if quotes are causing problems within comma-delimited

fields.

### **Details**

The constructor does not store a copy of the texts, but rather reads in the texts and associated data, and saves them to a temporary disk file whose location is specified in the corpusSource-class object. This prevents a complete copy of the object from cluttering the global environment and consuming additional space. This does mean however that the state of the file containing the source data will not be cross-platform and may not be persistent across sessions. So the recommended usage is to load the data into a corpus in the same session in which textfile is called.

#### Value

an object of class corpusSource-class that can be read by corpus to construct a corpus

### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit and Paul Nulty

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```
summary(corpus(mytf2))
# text file
mytf3 <- textfile(unzip(system.file("extdata", "pg2701.txt.zip", package = "quanteda")))</pre>
summary(corpus(mytf3))
# XML data
mytf6 <- textfile("http://www.kenbenoit.net/files/plant_catalog.xml",</pre>
                  textField = "COMMON")
summary(corpus(mytf6))
# csv file
write.csv(data.frame(inaugSpeech = texts(inaugCorpus), docvars(inaugCorpus)),
          file = "/tmp/inaugTexts.csv", row.names = FALSE)
mytf7 <- textfile("/tmp/inaugTexts.csv", textField = "inaugSpeech")</pre>
summary(corpus(mytf7))
# vector of full filenames for a recursive structure
textfile(list.files(path = "~/Desktop/texts", pattern = "\\.txt$",
                    full.names = TRUE, recursive = TRUE))
## End(Not run)
```

textmodel

fit a text model

### **Description**

Fit a text model to a dfm. Creates an object of virtual class textmodel\_fitted-class, whose exact properties (slots and methods) will depend on which model was called (see model types below).

#### Usage

```
textmodel(x, y = NULL, data = NULL, model = c("wordscores", "NB",
   "wordfish", "ca"), ...)

## S4 method for signature 'dfm,ANY,missing,character'
textmodel(x, y = NULL, data = NULL,
   model = c("wordscores", "NB", "wordfish", "ca"), ...)

## S4 method for signature 'formula,missing,dfm,character'
textmodel(x, y = NULL,
   data = NULL, model = c("wordscores", "NB", "wordfish", "ca"), ...)
```

### Arguments

| x     | a quanteda dfm object containing feature counts by document   |
|-------|---|
| У     | for supervised models, a vector of class labels or values for training the model, with NA for documents to be excluded from the training set; for unsupervised models, this will be left NULL.          |
| data  | dfm or data.frame from which to take the formula  |
| model | the model type to be fit. Currently implemented methods are:  |
|       | wordscores Fits the "wordscores" model of Laver, Benoit, and Garry (2003). Options include the original linear scale of LBG or the logit scale proposed by Beauchamps (2001). See textmodel_wordscores. |

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NB Fits a Naive Bayes model to the dfm, with options for smoothing, setting class priors, and a choice of multinomial or binomial probabilities. See textmodel\_NB.

wordfish Fits the "wordfish" model of Slapin and Proksch (2008). See textmodel\_wordfish. ca Correspondence analysis scaling of the dfm.

1da Fit a topic model based on latent Dirichlet allocation. Not yet implemented
 use convert to convert a dfm into the applicable input format and then use your favourite topic modelling package directly.

kNN k-nearest neighbour classification, coming soon.

additional arguments to be passed to specific model types

formula

An object of class formula of the form  $y \sim x1 + x2 + \dots$  (Interactions are not currently allowed for any of the models implemented.) The x variable(s) is typically a dfm, and the y variable a vector of class labels or training values associated with each document.

#### Value

a textmodel class list, containing the fitted model and additional information specific to the model class. See the methods for specific models, e.g. textmodel\_wordscores, etc.

#### Class hierarchy

Here will go the description of the class hierarchy that governs dispatch for the predict, print, summary methods, since this is not terribly obvious. (Blame it on the S3 system.)

#### See Also

```
textmodel.textmodel_wordscores
```

```
ieDfm <- dfm(ie2010Corpus, verbose=FALSE)
refscores <- c(rep(NA, 4), -1, 1, rep(NA, 8))
ws <- textmodel(ieDfm, refscores, model="wordscores", smooth=1)

# alternative formula notation - but slower
# need the - 1 to remove the intercept, as this is literal formula notation
wsform <- textmodel(refscores ~ . - 1, data=ieDfm, model="wordscores", smooth=1)
identical(ws@Sw, wsform@Sw) # compare wordscores from the two models

# compare the logit and linear wordscores
bs <- textmodel(ieDfm[5:6,], refscores[5:6], model="wordscores", scale="logit", smooth=1)
plot(ws@Sw, bs@Sw, xlim=c(-1, 1), xlab="Linear word score", ylab="Logit word score")

## Not run: wf <- textmodel(ieDfm, model="wordfish", dir = c(6,5))
wf
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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textmodel\_ca

correspondence analysis of a document-feature matrix

### **Description**

textmodel\_ca implements correspondence analysis scaling on a dfm. Currently the method is a wrapper to ca.matrix in the **ca** package.

## Usage

```
textmodel_ca(data, smooth = 0, ...)
```

## Arguments

data the dfm on which the model will be fit

smooth a smoothing parameter for word counts; defaults to zero.

... additional arguments passed to ca.matrix

### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit

## **Examples**

```
ieDfm <- dfm(ie2010Corpus)
wca <- textmodel_ca(ieDfm)
summary(wca)</pre>
```

```
textmodel\_fitted-class
```

the fitted textmodel classes

### **Description**

The textmodel virtual class is a parent class for more specific fitted text models, which are the result of a quantitative text analysis applied to a document-feature matrix.

### **Details**

Available types currently include...

#### Slots

dfm a dfm-class document-feature matrix

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|  | textmodel_NB | Naive Bayes classifier for texts |  |
|--|--------------|----------------------------------|--|
|--|--------------|----------------------------------|--|

#### **Description**

Currently working for vectors of texts – not specially defined for a dfm.

## Usage

```
textmodel_NB(x, y, smooth = 1, prior = c("uniform", "docfreq", "termfreq"),
    distribution = c("multinomial", "Bernoulli"), ...)
```

### **Arguments**

| X | the dfm on which the model will be fit. | Does not need to contain only the |
|---|---|-----------------------------------|
|   | training documents.                     |                                   |

y vector of training labels associated with each document identified in train.

(These will be converted to factors if not already factors.)

smooth smoothing parameter for feature counts by class

prior prior distribution on texts, see details

distribution count model for text features, can be multinomial or Bernoulli

... more arguments passed through

### **Details**

This naive Bayes model works on word counts, with smoothing.

# Value

A list of return values, consisting of:

call original function call

PwGc probability of the word given the class (empirical likelihood)

Pc class prior probability

PcGw posterior class probability given the word

Pw baseline probability of the word

data list consisting of x training class, and y test class

distribution the distribution argument
prior argument passed as a prior
smooth smoothing parameter

## Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit

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#### **Examples**

textmodel\_wordfish

wordfish text model

### **Description**

Estimate Slapin and Proksch's (2008) "wordfish" Poisson scaling model of one-dimensional document positions using conditional maximum likelihood.

#### Usage

```
textmodel_wordfish(data, dir = c(1, 2), priors = c(Inf, Inf, 3, 1),
  tol = c(1e-06, 1e-08), dispersion = c("poisson", "quasipoisson"),
  dispersionLevel = c("feature", "overall"), dispersionFloor = 0)

## S3 method for class 'textmodel_wordfish_fitted'
print(x, n = 30L, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'textmodel_wordfish_fitted'
show(object)

## S4 method for signature 'textmodel_wordfish_predicted'
show(object)
```

### **Arguments**

| data   | the dfm on which the model will be fit  |
|--------|---|
| dir    | set global identification by specifying the indexes for a pair of documents such that $\hat{\theta}_{dir[1]} < \hat{\theta}_{dir[2]}$ .   |
| priors | prior precisions for the estimated parameters $\alpha_i$ , $\psi_j$ , $\beta_j$ , and $\theta_i$ , where $i$ indexes documents and $j$ indexes features   |
| tol    | tolerances for convergence. The first value is a convergence threshold for the log-posterior of the model, the second value is the tolerance in the difference in parameter values from the iterative conditional maximum likelihood (from conditionally estimating document-level, then feature-level parameters). |

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dispersion sets whether a quasi-poisson quasi-likelihood should be used based on a single

dispersion parameter ("poisson"), or quasi-Poisson ("quasipoisson")

dispersionLevel

sets the unit level for the dispersion parameter, options are "feature" for term-

level variances, or "overall" for a single dispersion parameter

dispersionFloor

constraint for the minimal underdispersion multiplier in the quasi-Poisson model. Used to minimize the distorting effect of terms with rare term or document frequencies that appear to be severely underdispersed. Default is 0, but this only

applies if dispersion = "quasipoisson".

x for print method, the object to be printed

n max rows of dfm to print

... additional arguments passed to print

object wordfish fitted or predicted object to be shown

#### **Details**

The returns match those of Will Lowe's R implementation of wordfish (see the austin package), except that here we have renamed words to be features. (This return list may change.) We have also followed the practice begun with Slapin and Proksch's early implementation of the model that used a regularization parameter of  $se(\sigma)=3$ , through the third element in priors.

## Value

An object of class textmodel\_fitted\_wordfish. This is a list containing:

dir global identification of the dimension

theta estimated document positions
alpha estimated document fixed effects
beta estimated feature marginal effects
psi estimated word fixed effects

docs document labels features feature labels

sigma regularization parameter for betas in Poisson form

11 log likelihood at convergence se.theta standard errors for theta-hats data dfm to which the model was fit

#### Author(s)

Benjamin Lauderdale and Kenneth Benoit

# References

Jonathan Slapin and Sven-Oliver Proksch. 2008. "A Scaling Model for Estimating Time-Series Party Positions from Texts." *American Journal of Political Science* 52(3):705-772.

Lowe, Will and Kenneth Benoit. 2013. "Validating Estimates of Latent Traits from Textual Data Using Human Judgment as a Benchmark." *Political Analysis* 21(3), 298-313. http://doi.org/10.1093/pan/mpt002

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#### **Examples**

```
textmodel\_wordfish(LBGexample, dir = c(1,5))
## Not run:
ie2010dfm <- dfm(ie2010Corpus, verbose = FALSE)</pre>
(wfm1 <- textmodel_wordfish(ie2010dfm, dir = c(6,5)))</pre>
(wfm2a <- textmodel_wordfish(ie2010dfm, dir = c(6,5),
                              dispersion = "quasipoisson", dispersionFloor = 0))
(wfm2b \leftarrow textmodel\_wordfish(ie2010dfm, dir = c(6,5),
                              dispersion = "quasipoisson", dispersionFloor = .5))
plot(wfm2a@phi, wfm2b@phi, xlab = "Min underdispersion = 0", ylab = "Min underdispersion = .5",
     xlim = c(0, 1.0), ylim = c(0, 1.0))
plot(wfm2a@phi, wfm2b@phi, xlab = "Min underdispersion = 0", ylab = "Min underdispersion = .5",
     x \lim = c(0, 1.0), y \lim = c(0, 1.0), type = "n")
underdispersedTerms <- sample(which(wfm2a@phi < 1.0), 5)</pre>
which(features(ie2010dfm) %in% names(topfeatures(ie2010dfm, 20)))
text(wfm2a@phi, wfm2b@phi, wfm2a@features,
     cex = .8, xlim = c(0, 1.0), ylim = c(0, 1.0), col = "grey90")
text(wfm2a@phi[underdispersedTerms], wfm2b@phi[underdispersedTerms],
     wfm2a@features[underdispersedTerms],
     cex = .8, xlim = c(0, 1.0), ylim = c(0, 1.0), col = "black")
if (require(austin)) {
    wfmodelAustin \leftarrow austin::wordfish(quanteda::as.wfm(ie2010dfm), dir = c(6,5))
    cor(wfm1@theta, wfm1Austin$theta)
## End(Not run)
```

textmodel\_wordscores Wordscores text model

#### **Description**

textmodel\_wordscores implements Laver, Benoit and Garry's (2003) wordscores method for scaling of a single dimension. This can be called directly, but the recommended method is through textmodel.

## Usage

```
textmodel_wordscores(data, scores, scale = c("linear", "logit"), smooth = 0)
## S3 method for class 'textmodel_wordscores_fitted'
predict(object, newdata = NULL,
    rescaling = "none", level = 0.95, verbose = TRUE, ...)
## S3 method for class 'textmodel_wordscores_fitted'
print(x, n = 30L, digits = 2, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'textmodel_wordscores_fitted'
show(object)
## S4 method for signature 'textmodel_wordscores_predicted'
show(object)
```

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

## **Arguments**

| data      | the dfm on which the model will be fit. Does not need to contain only the training documents, since the index of these will be matched automatically.                              |
|-----------|--|
| scores    | vector of training scores associated with each document identified in refData  |
| scale     | classic LBG linear posterior weighted word class differences, or logit scale of log posterior differences  |
| smooth    | a smoothing parameter for word counts; defaults to zero for the to match the LBG (2003) method. $$   |
| object    | a fitted Wordscores textmodel  |
| newdata   | dfm on which prediction should be made   |
| rescaling | none for "raw" scores; 1bg for LBG (2003) rescaling; or mv for the rescaling proposed by Martin and Vanberg (2007). (Note to authors: Provide full details here in documentation.) |
| level     | probability level for confidence interval width  |
| verbose   | If TRUE, output status messages  |
|           | additional arguments passed to other functions   |
| X         | for print method, the object to be printed   |
| n         | max rows of dfm to print   |
| digits    | number of decimal places to print for print methods  |

#### **Details**

Fitting a textmodel\_wordscores results in an object of class textmodel\_wordscores\_fitted containing the following slots:

## Value

The predict method for a wordscores fitted object returns a data.frame whose rows are the documents fitted and whose columns contain the scored textvalues, with the number of columns depending on the options called (for instance, how many rescaled scores, and whether standard errors were requested.) (Note: We may very well change this soon so that it is a list similar to other existing fitted objects.)

# **Slots**

```
scale linear or logit, according to the value of scale

Sw the scores computed for each word in the training set

x the dfm on which the wordscores model was called

y the reference scores

call the function call that fitted the model

method takes a value of wordscores for this model
```

## Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit

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#### References

Laver, Michael, Kenneth R Benoit, and John Garry. 2003. "Extracting Policy Positions From Political Texts Using Words as Data." American Political Science Review 97(02): 311-31

Beauchamp, N. 2012. "Using Text to Scale Legislatures with Uninformative Voting." New York University Mimeo.

Martin, L W, and G Vanberg. 2007. "A Robust Transformation Procedure for Interpreting Political Text." Political Analysis 16(1): 93-100.

Laver, Michael, Kenneth R Benoit, and John Garry. 2003. "Extracting Policy Positions From Political Texts Using Words as Data." *American Political Science Review* 97(02): 311-31.

Martin, L W, and G Vanberg. 2007. "A Robust Transformation Procedure for Interpreting Political Text." *Political Analysis* 16(1): 93-100.

## **Examples**

```
(ws <- textmodel(LBGexample, c(seq(-1.5, 1.5, .75), NA), model="wordscores"))
predict(ws)
predict(ws, rescaling="mv")
predict(ws, rescaling="lbg")

# same as:
(ws2 <- textmodel_wordscores(LBGexample, c(seq(-1.5, 1.5, .75), NA)))
predict(ws2)</pre>
```

texts

get corpus texts

## **Description**

Get the texts in a quanteda corpus object, with grouping options. Works for plain character vectors too, if groups is a factor.

# Usage

```
texts(x, groups = NULL, ...)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
texts(x, groups = NULL, ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
texts(x, groups = NULL, ...)

texts(x) <- value
## S3 replacement method for class 'corpus'
texts(x) <- value
## S3 method for class 'corpusSource'
texts(x, groups = NULL, ...)</pre>
```

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## **Arguments**

x A quanteda corpus object
groups character vector containing the names of document variables in a corpus, or a
factor equal in length to the number of documents, used for aggregating the texts
through concatenation. If x is of type character, then groups must be a factor.

... unused
value character vector of the new texts

#### Value

For texts, a character vector of the texts in the corpus.

For texts <-, the corpus with the updated texts.

#### Note

You are strongly encouraged as a good practice of text analysis workflow *not* to modify the substance of the texts in a corpus. Rather, this sort of processing is better performed through downstream operations. For instance, do not lowercase the texts in a corpus, or you will never be able to recover the original case. Rather, apply toLower to the corpus and use the result as an input, e.g. to tokenize.

# **Examples**

```
nchar(texts(subset(inaugCorpus, Year < 1806)))</pre>
# grouping on a document variable
nchar(texts(subset(inaugCorpus, Year < 1806), groups = "President"))</pre>
# grouping a character vector using a factor
nchar(inaugTexts[1:5])
nchar(texts(inaugTexts[1:5], groups = as.factor(inaugCorpus[1:5, "President"])))
BritCorpus <- corpus(c("We must prioritise honour in our neighbourhood.",</pre>
                        "Aluminium is a valourous metal."))
texts(BritCorpus) <-</pre>
    stringi::stri_replace_all_regex(texts(BritCorpus),
                                     c("ise", "([nlb])our", "nium"),
                                     c("ize", "$1or", "num"),
                                     vectorize_all = FALSE)
texts(BritCorpus)
texts(BritCorpus)[2] <- "New text number 2."</pre>
texts(BritCorpus)
```

tf

compute (weighted) term frequency from a dfm

## **Description**

Apply varieties of term frequency weightings to a dfm.

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## Usage

```
tf(x, scheme = c("count", "prop", "propmax", "boolean", "log", "augmented",
    "logave"), base = 10, K = 0.5)

## S4 method for signature 'dfm'
tf(x, scheme = c("count", "prop", "propmax", "boolean", "log",
    "augmented", "logave"), base = 10, K = 0.5)
```

# **Arguments**

x object for which idf or tf-idf will be computed (a document-feature matrix)
scheme divisor for the normalization of feature frequencies by document. Valid types include:
unity default, each feature count will remain as feature counts, equivalent to dividing by 1
total total number of features per document, so that the sum of the normalized feature values is 1.0
maxCount maximum feature count per document
base base for the logarithm when scheme is "log" or logave
K the K for the augmentation when scheme = "augmented"

#### **Details**

tf is a shortcut to compute relative term frequecies (identical to weight(x, "relFreq")).

#### Value

A document feature matrix to which the weighting scheme has been applied.

#### Author(s)

Paul Nulty and Kenneth Benoit

## References

Manning, C. D., Raghavan, P., & Schutze, H. (2008). *Introduction to Information Retrieval*. Cambridge University Press.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tf-idf#Term\_frequency\_2

tfidf

compute tf-idf weights from a dfm

# Description

Compute tf-idf, inverse document frequency, and relative term frequency on document-feature matrices. See also weight.

#### **Usage**

```
tfidf(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
tfidf(x, normalize = FALSE, scheme = "inverse", ...)
```

## Arguments

x object for which idf or tf-idf will be computed (a document-feature matrix)
 ... additional arguments passed to docfreq when calling tfidf
 normalize if TRUE, use relative term frequency
 scheme scheme for docfreq

#### **Details**

tfidf computes term frequency-inverse document frequency weighting. The default is not to normalize term frequency (by computing relative term frequency within document) but this will be performed if normalize = TRUE.

#### References

Manning, C. D., Raghavan, P., & Schutze, H. (2008). *Introduction to Information Retrieval*. Cambridge University Press.

# **Examples**

tokenize

tokenize a set of texts

## **Description**

Tokenize the texts from a character vector or from a corpus.

is.tokenizedTexts returns TRUE if the object is of class tokenizedTexts, FALSE otherwise.

#### **Usage**

```
tokenize(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
tokenize(x, what = c("word", "sentence", "character",
  "fastestword", "fasterword"), removeNumbers = FALSE, removePunct = FALSE,
  removeSymbols = FALSE, removeSeparators = TRUE, removeTwitter = FALSE,
 removeHyphens = FALSE, removeURL = FALSE, ngrams = 1L, skip = 0L,
 concatenator = "_", simplify = FALSE, verbose = FALSE, ...)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
tokenize(x, ...)
is.tokenizedTexts(x)
```

#### **Arguments**

The text(s) or corpus to be tokenized Χ

additional arguments not used . . .

what the unit for splitting the text, available alternatives are:

> "word" (recommended default) smartest, but slowest, word tokenization method; see stringi-search-boundaries for details.

"fasterword" dumber, but faster, word tokenizeation method, uses stri\_split\_charclass(x,

"\\pWHITE\_SPACE") "fastestword" dumbest, but fastest, word tokenization method, calls stri\_split\_fixed(x, "")

"character" tokenization into individual characters

"sentence" sentence segmenter, smart enough to handle some exceptions in English such as "Prof. Plum killed Mrs. Peacock." (but far from perfect).

remove tokens that consist only of numbers, but not words that start with digits, removeNumbers

e.g. 2day

removePunct if TRUE, remove all characters in the Unicode "Punctuation" [P] class if TRUE, remove all characters in the Unicode "Symbol" [S] class removeSymbols removeSeparators

> remove Separators and separator characters (spaces and variations of spaces, plus tab, newlines, and anything else in the Unicode "separator" category) when removePunct=FALSE. Only applicable for what = "character" (when you probably want it to be FALSE) and for what = "word" (when you probably want it to be TRUE). Note that if what = "word" and you set removePunct = TRUE,

then removeSeparators has no effect. Use carefully.

removeTwitter remove Twitter characters @ and #; set to TRUE if you wish to eliminate these.

removeHyphens if TRUE, split words that are connected by hyphenation and hyphenation-like

> characters in between words, e.g. "self-storage" becomes c("self", "storage"). Default is FALSE to preserve such words as is, with the hyphens. Only applies if

what = "word".

if TRUE, find and eliminate URLs beginning with http(s) – see section "Dealing removeURL

with URLs".

integer vector of the n for n-grams, defaulting to 1 (unigrams). For bigrams, ngrams

> for instance, use 2; for bigrams and unigrams, use 1:2. You can even include irregular sequences such as 2:3 for bigrams and trigrams only. See ngrams.

skip integer vector specifying the skips for skip-grams, default is 0 for only immedi-

ately neighbouring words. Only applies if ngrams is different from the default

of 1. See skipgrams.

concatenator character to use in concatenating *n*-grams, default is "\_", which is recommended

since this is included in the regular expression and Unicode definitions of "word"

characters

simplify if TRUE, return a character vector of tokens rather than a list of length ndoc(texts),

with each element of the list containing a character vector of the tokens corre-

sponding to that text.

verbose if TRUE, print timing messages to the console; off by default

#### **Details**

The tokenizer is designed to be fast and flexible as well as to handle Unicode correctly. Most of the time, users will construct dfm objects from texts or a corpus, without calling tokenize() as an intermediate step. Since tokenize() is most likely to be used by more technical users, we have set its options to default to minimal intervention. This means that punctuation is tokenized as well, and that nothing is removed by default from the text being tokenized except inter-word spacing and equivalent characters.

#### Value

A list of length ndoc(x) of the tokens found in each text.

a **tokenizedText** (S3) object, essentially a list of character vectors. If simplify = TRUE then return a single character vector.

#### **Dealing with URLs**

URLs are tricky to tokenize, because they contain a number of symbols and punctuation characters. If you wish to remove these, as most people do, and your text contains URLs, then you should set what = "fasterword" and removeURL = TRUE. If you wish to keep the URLs, but do not want them mangled, then your options are more limited, since removing punctuation and symbols will also remove them from URLs. We are working on improving this behaviour.

See the examples below.

# Note

This replaces an older function named clean(), removed from **quanteda** in version 0.8.1. "Cleaning" by removing certain parts of texts, such as punctuation or numbers, only only works on tokenized texts, although texts of any length can be converted to lower case using toLower.

## Author(s)

Ken Benoit and Paul Nulty

#### See Also

ngrams

#### **Examples**

```
# same for character vectors and for lists
tokensFromChar <- tokenize(inaugTexts[1:3])</pre>
tokensFromCorp <- tokenize(subset(inaugCorpus, Year<1798))</pre>
identical(tokensFromChar, tokensFromCorp)
str(tokensFromChar)
# returned as a list
head(tokenize(inaugTexts[57])[[1]], 10)
# returned as a character vector using simplify=TRUE
head(tokenize(inaugTexts[57], simplify = TRUE), 10)
# removing punctuation marks and lowecasing texts
head(tokenize(toLower(inaugTexts[57]), simplify = TRUE, removePunct = TRUE), 30)
# keeping case and punctuation
head(tokenize(inaugTexts[57], simplify = TRUE), 30)
# keeping versus removing hyphens
tokenize("quanteda data objects are auto-loading.", removePunct = TRUE)
tokenize("quanteda data objects are auto-loading.", removePunct = TRUE, removeHyphens = TRUE)
# keeping versus removing symbols
tokenize("<tags> and other + symbols.", removeSymbols = FALSE)
tokenize("<tags> and other + symbols.", removeSymbols = TRUE)
tokenize("<tags> and other + symbols.", removeSymbols = FALSE, what = "fasterword")
tokenize("<tags> and other + symbols.", removeSymbols = TRUE, what = "fasterword")
## examples with URLs - hardly perfect!
txt <- "Repo https://githib.com/kbenoit/quanteda, and www.stackoverflow.com."
tokenize(txt, removeURL = TRUE, removePunct = TRUE)
tokenize(txt, removeURL = FALSE, removePunct = TRUE)
tokenize(txt, removeURL = FALSE, removePunct = TRUE, what = "fasterword")
tokenize(txt, removeURL = FALSE, removePunct = FALSE, what = "fasterword")
## MORE COMPARISONS
txt <- "#textanalysis is MY <3 4U @myhandle gr8 #stuff :-)"</pre>
tokenize(txt, removePunct = TRUE)
tokenize(txt, removePunct = TRUE, removeTwitter = TRUE)
#tokenize("great website http://textasdata.com", removeURL = FALSE)
#tokenize("great website http://textasdata.com", removeURL = TRUE)
txt \leftarrow c(text1="This is $10 in 999 different ways,\n up and down; left and right!",
       text2="@kenbenoit working: on #quanteda 2day\t4ever, http://textasdata.com?page=123.")
tokenize(txt, verbose = TRUE)
tokenize(txt, removeNumbers = TRUE, removePunct = TRUE)
tokenize(txt, removeNumbers = FALSE, removePunct = TRUE)
tokenize(txt, removeNumbers = TRUE, removePunct = FALSE)
tokenize(txt, removeNumbers = FALSE, removePunct = FALSE)
tokenize(txt, removeNumbers = FALSE, removePunct = FALSE, removeSeparators = FALSE)
tokenize(txt, removeNumbers = TRUE, removePunct = TRUE, removeURL = TRUE)
# character level
tokenize("Great website: http://textasdata.com?page=123.", what = "character")
tokenize("Great website: http://textasdata.com?page=123.", what = "character",
         removeSeparators = FALSE)
tokenize(c("Kurt Vongeut said; only assholes use semi-colons.",
```

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```
"Today is Thursday in Canberra: It is yesterday in London.",
           "Today is Thursday in Canberra: \nIt is yesterday in London.",
           "To be? Or\nnot to be?"),
          what = "sentence")
tokenize(inaugTexts[c(2,40)], what = "sentence", simplify = TRUE)
# removing features (stopwords) from tokenized texts
txt <- toLower(c(mytext1 = "This is a short test sentence.",</pre>
                mytext2 = "Short.",
                mytext3 = "Short, shorter, and shortest."))
tokenize(txt, removePunct = TRUE)
removeFeatures(tokenize(txt, removePunct = TRUE), stopwords("english"))
# ngram tokenization
tokenize(txt, removePunct = TRUE, ngrams = 2)
tokenize(txt, removePunct = TRUE, ngrams = 2, skip = 1, concatenator = " ")
tokenize(txt, removePunct = TRUE, ngrams = 1:2)
# removing features from ngram tokens
removeFeatures(tokenize(txt, removePunct = TRUE, ngrams = 1:2), stopwords("english"))
```

toLower

Convert texts to lower case

## **Description**

Convert texts or tokens to lower case

## Usage

```
toLower(x, keepAcronyms = FALSE, ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
toLower(x, keepAcronyms = FALSE, ...)
## S3 method for class 'NULL'
toLower(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'tokenizedTexts'
toLower(x, keepAcronyms = FALSE, ...)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
toLower(x, keepAcronyms = FALSE, ...)
```

## Arguments

```
    texts to be lower-cased
    if TRUE, do not lowercase any all-uppercase words
    additional arguments passed to stringi functions, (e.g. stri_trans_tolower), such as locale
```

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#### Value

Texts tranformed into their lowercased versions. If x is a character vector or a corpus, return a lowercased character vector. If x is a list of tokenized texts, then return a list of lower-cased tokenized texts

## **Examples**

topfeatures

list the most frequent features

## **Description**

List the most frequently occuring features in a dfm

## Usage

```
topfeatures(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
topfeatures(x, n = 10, decreasing = TRUE, ci = 0.95, ...)
## S3 method for class 'dgCMatrix'
topfeatures(x, n = 10, decreasing = TRUE, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

x the object whose features will be returned
... additional arguments passed to other methods
n how many top features should be returned
decreasing.

If TRUE return the p most frequent features

decreasing If TRUE, return the n most frequent features, if FALSE, return the n least fre-

quent features

ci confidence interval from 0-1.0 for use if dfm is resampled

#### Value

A named numeric vector of feature counts, where the names are the feature labels.

## **Examples**

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trim

Trim a dfm using threshold-based or random feature selection

# **Description**

Returns a document by feature matrix reduced in size based on document and term frequency, and/or subsampling.

# Usage

```
trim(x, minCount = 1, minDoc = 1, sparsity = NULL, nsample = NULL,
  verbose = TRUE)

## S4 method for signature 'dfm'
trim(x, minCount = 1, minDoc = 1, sparsity = NULL,
  nsample = NULL, verbose = TRUE)

trimdfm(x, ...)
```

# Arguments

| X        | document-feature matrix of dfm-class                               |
|----------|--|
| minCount | minimum count or fraction of features in across all documents      |
| minDoc   | minimum number or fraction of documents in which a feature appears |
| sparsity | equivalent to 1 - minDoc, included for comparison with tm          |
| nsample  | how many features to retain (based on random selection)            |
| verbose  | print messages   |
|          | only included to allow legacy trimdfm to pass arguments to trim    |

## Value

A dfm-class object reduced in features (with the same number of documents)

# Note

Trimming a dfm-class object is an operation based on the values in the document-feature *matrix*. To select subsets of a dfm based on attributes of the features themselves – such as selecting features matching a regular expression, or removing features matching a stopword list, use selectFeatures.

## Author(s)

Paul Nulty and Ken Benoit, some inspiration from Will Lowe's (see trim from the austin package)

# See Also

```
selectFeatures
```

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#### **Examples**

```
(myDfm <- dfm(inaugCorpus, verbose = FALSE))</pre>
\# only words occuring >=10 times and in >=2 docs
trim(myDfm, minCount = 10, minDoc = 2)
\# only words occuring >=10 times and in at least 0.4 of the documents
trim(myDfm, minCount = 10, minDoc = 0.4)
# only words occuring at least 0.01 times and in >=2 documents
trim(myDfm, minCount = .01, minDoc = 2)
# only words occuring 5 times in 1000
trim(myDfm, minDoc = 0.2, minCount = 0.005)
# sample 50 words occurring at least 20 times each
(myDfmSampled <- trim(myDfm, minCount = 20, nsample = 50))</pre>
topfeatures(myDfmSampled)
## Not run:
if (require(tm)) {
    (tmdtm <- convert(myDfm, "tm"))</pre>
    removeSparseTerms(tmdtm, 0.7)
    trim(td, minDoc = 0.3)
    trim(td, sparsity = 0.7)
}
## End(Not run)
```

ukimmigTexts

Immigration-related sections of 2010 UK party manifestos

## **Description**

Extracts from the election manifestos of 9 UK political parties from 2010, related to immigration or asylum-seekers.

#### **Format**

A named character vector of plain ASCII texts

#### **Examples**

```
ukimmigCorpus <- corpus(ukimmigTexts, docvars=data.frame(party=names(ukimmigTexts)))
metadoc(ukimmigCorpus, "language") <- "english"
summary(ukimmigCorpus, showmeta = TRUE)</pre>
```

weight

weight the feature frequencies in a dfm

# Description

Returns a document by feature matrix with the feature frequencies weighted according to one of several common methods.

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#### **Usage**

```
weight(x, type, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'dfm,character'
weight(x, type = c("frequency", "relFreq",
    "relMaxFreq", "logFreq", "tfidf"), ...)
## S4 method for signature 'dfm,numeric'
weight(x, type, ...)
smoother(x, smoothing = 1)
```

## **Arguments**

x document-feature matrix created by dfm

type a label of the weight type, or a named numeric vector of values to apply to the dfm. One of:

"frequency" integer feature count (default when a dfm is created)

"relFreq" the proportion of the feature counts of total feature counts (aka relative frequency)

"relMaxFreq" the proportion of the feature counts of the highest feature count in a document

"logFreq" natural logarithm of the feature count

"tfidf" Term-frequency \* inverse document frequency. For a full explanation, see, for example, http://nlp.stanford.edu/IR-book/html/htmledition/term-frequency-and-weighting-1.html. This implementation will not return negative values. For finer-grained control, call tfidf directly.

a named numeric vector a named numeric vector of weights to be applied to the dfm, where the names of the vector correspond to feature labels of the dfm, and the weights will be applied as multipliers to the existing feature counts for the corresponding named fatures. Any features not named will be assigned a weight of 1.0 (meaning they will be unchanged).

... not currently used. For finer grained control, consider calling tf or tfidf directly.

smoothing constant added to the dfm cells for smoothing, default is 1

#### Details

This converts a matrix from sparse to dense format, so may exceed memory requirements depending on the size of your input matrix.

#### Value

The dfm with weighted values.

#### Author(s)

Paul Nulty and Kenneth Benoit

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#### References

Manning, Christopher D., Prabhakar Raghavan, and Hinrich Schutze. *Introduction to Information Retrieval*. Vol. 1. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2008.

#### See Also

tfidf

#### **Examples**

```
dtm <- dfm(inaugCorpus)</pre>
x <- apply(dtm, 1, function(tf) tf/max(tf))</pre>
topfeatures(dtm)
normDtm <- weight(dtm, "relFreq")</pre>
topfeatures(normDtm)
maxTfDtm <- weight(dtm, type="relMaxFreq")</pre>
topfeatures(maxTfDtm)
logTfDtm <- weight(dtm, type="logFreq")</pre>
topfeatures(logTfDtm)
tfidfDtm <- weight(dtm, type="tfidf")</pre>
topfeatures(tfidfDtm)
# combine these methods for more complex weightings, e.g. as in Section 6.4
# of Introduction to Information Retrieval
head(logTfDtm <- weight(dtm, type="logFreq"))</pre>
head(tfidf(logTfDtm, normalize = FALSE))
# apply numeric weights
str <- c("apple is better than banana", "banana banana apple much better")</pre>
weights < c(apple = 5, banana = 3, much = 0.5)
(mydfm <- dfm(str, ignoredFeatures = stopwords("english"), verbose = FALSE))</pre>
weight(mydfm, weights)
```

wordlists

word lists used in some readability indexes

## **Description**

wordlists is a named list of character vectors where each list element corresponds to a different readability index. These are:

DaleChall The long Dale-Chall list of 3,000 familiar (English) words needed to compute the Dale-Chall Readability Formula.

Spache The revised Spache word list (see Klare 1975, 73) needed to compute the Spache Revised Formula of readability (Spache 1974.

#### References

Chall, J. S., & Dale, E. 1995. Readability Revisited: The New Dale-Chall Readability Formula. Brookline Books.

Klare, G. R. 1975. "Assessing readability." Reading Research Quarterly 10(1): 62–102.

Spache, G. 1953. "A new readability formula for primary-grade reading materials." *The Elementary School Journal* 53: 410-413.

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wordstem stem words

## **Description**

Apply a stemmer to words. This is a wrapper to wordStem designed to allow this function to be called without loading the entire **SnowballC** package. wordStem uses Martin Porter's stemming algorithm and the C libstemmer library generated by Snowball.

## Usage

```
wordstem(x, language = "porter")
## S3 method for class 'character'
wordstem(x, language = "porter")
## S3 method for class 'tokenizedTexts'
wordstem(x, language = "porter")
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
wordstem(x, language = "porter")
```

## **Arguments**

x a character vector or set of tokenized texts, whose word stems are to be removed.

If tokenized texts, the tokenization must be word-based.

language the name of a recognized language, as returned by getStemLanguages, or a two-

or three-letter ISO-639 code corresponding to one of these languages (see refer-

ences for the list of codes)

## Value

A character vector with as many elements as there are in the input vector with the corresponding elements being the stem of the word. Elements of the vector are converted to UTF-8 encoding before the stemming is performed, and the returned elements are marked as such when they contain non-ASCII characters.

## References

```
http://snowball.tartarus.org/
http://www.iso.org/iso/home/standards/language_codes.htmfortheISO-639language codes
```

#### See Also

wordStem

## **Examples**

```
#' Simple example
wordstem(c("win", "winning", "wins", "won", "winner"))
```

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