The ABC of Computational Text Analysis

SUPPLEMENTS

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Purpose

Here I present some stuff that we did not cover in class.

Tasks

- find various ngrams with wildcards
- check gender specific language

what follows she/he or her/his

Forms of Data

• content data clean, plain text data preferable as . txt

• metadata ~ information about the actual data publishing date, authors, source, version preferable as .csv

Key Word in Context (KWIC)

```
ptx -f -w 50 */*.txt > ptx.txt
egrep -i "[a-z] word" ptx.txt
```

Select Column in Dataset

cut -d\t -f1 # extract the 2nd column from a tab-separated file

Extract texts from tsv:

• http://www.theunixschool.com/2012/05/shell-read-text-or-csv-file-and-extract.html

Variables

echo "Starting program at \$(date)'

Better Tokenization

• tokenization ~ splitting into words

```
# new, improved approach
cat text.txt | tr -sc "[a-zäöüA-ZÄÖÜ0-9-]" "\n"

# old approach
cat text.txt | tr ' ' '\n'
```

Batch Processing

```
for file in *.txt; do  # loop over all text files
  cat "$file" | pipe commands > "proc_$file"
  done
```

Batch Renaming

```
rename " " "_" *.txt  # replace spaces with underscores
# since there are different versions, if this doesn't work try:
# rename 's/ /_/' *.txt
```

```
i=1
for file in *.txt; do  # loop over all text files
  mv -- "$file" "text_$i.txt"  # rename each file with a sequential number
  i=$((i+1))
done
```

Data Cleaning

In-class: Exercises I

Grid Example

text processing
text processing
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existing resources
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• creating new resources