# textblob Documentation

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*TextBlob* is a Python (2 and 3) library for processing textual data. It provides a simple API for diving into common natural language processing (NLP) tasks such as part-of-speech tagging, noun phrase extraction, sentiment analysis, classification, translation, and more.

```
from textblob import TextBlob
text = '''
The titular threat of The Blob has always struck me as the ultimate movie
monster: an insatiably hungry, amoeba-like mass able to penetrate
virtually any safeguard, capable of--as a doomed doctor chillingly
describes it--"assimilating flesh on contact.
Snide comparisons to gelatin be damned, it's a concept with the most
devastating of potential consequences, not unlike the grey goo scenario
proposed by technological theorists fearful of
artificial intelligence run rampant.
1.1.1
blob = TextBlob(text)
                    # [('The', 'DT'), ('titular', 'JJ'),
blob.tags
                    # ('threat', 'NN'), ('of', 'IN'), ...]
blob.noun_phrases # WordList(['titular threat', 'blob',
                    #
                      'ultimate movie monster',
                    #
                                'amoeba-like mass', ...])
for sentence in blob.sentences:
   print (sentence.sentiment.polarity)
# 0.060
# -0.341
```

TextBlob stands on the giant shoulders of NLTK and pattern, and plays nicely with both.

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# CHAPTER 1

# **Features**

- Noun phrase extraction
- Part-of-speech tagging
- Sentiment analysis
- Classification (Naive Bayes, Decision Tree)
- Tokenization (splitting text into words and sentences)
- Word and phrase frequencies
- Parsing
- n-grams
- Word inflection (pluralization and singularization) and lemmatization
- Spelling correction
- Add new models or languages through extensions
- WordNet integration

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# CHAPTER 2

Get it now

```
$ pip install -U textblob
$ python -m textblob.download_corpora
```

Ready to dive in? Go on to the Quickstart guide.

# CHAPTER 3

Guide

# 3.1 License

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# 3.2 Installation

# 3.2.1 Installing/Upgrading From the PyPI

```
$ pip install -U textblob
$ python -m textblob.download_corpora
```

This will install TextBlob and download the necessary NLTK corpora. If you need to change the default download directory set the NLTK\_DATA environment variable.

## Downloading the minimum corpora

If you only intend to use TextBlob's default models (no model overrides), you can pass the lite argument. This downloads only those corpora needed for basic functionality.

```
$ python -m textblob.download_corpora lite
```

## 3.2.2 With conda

TextBlob is also available as a conda package. To install with conda, run

```
$ conda install -c conda-forge textblob
$ python -m textblob.download_corpora
```

# 3.2.3 From Source

TextBlob is actively developed on Github.

You can clone the public repo:

```
$ git clone https://github.com/sloria/TextBlob.git
```

Or download one of the following:

- tarball
- zipball

Once you have the source, you can install it into your site-packages with

```
$ python setup.py install
```

# 3.2.4 Get the bleeding edge version

To get the latest development version of TextBlob, run

```
$ pip install -U git+https://github.com/sloria/TextBlob.git@dev
```

# 3.2.5 Migrating from older versions (<=0.7.1)

As of TextBlob 0.8.0, TextBlob's core package was renamed to textblob, whereas earlier versions used a package called text. Therefore, migrating to newer versions should be as simple as rewriting your imports, like so:

New:

```
from textblob import TextBlob, Word, Blobber
from textblob.classifiers import NaiveBayesClassifier
from textblob.taggers import NLTKTagger
```

Old:

```
from text.blob import TextBlob, Word, Blobber
from text.classifiers import NaiveBayesClassifier
from text.taggers import NLTKTagger
```

# **Python**

TextBlob supports Python >=2.7 or >=3.5.

# **Dependencies**

TextBlob depends on NLTK 3. NLTK will be installed automatically when you run pip install textblob or python setup.py install.

Some features, such as the maximum entropy classifier, require numpy, but it is not required for basic usage.

# 3.3 Tutorial: Quickstart

TextBlob aims to provide access to common text-processing operations through a familiar interface. You can treat TextBlob objects as if they were Python strings that learned how to do Natural Language Processing.

# 3.3.1 Create a TextBlob

First, the import.

```
>>> from textblob import TextBlob
```

Let's create our first TextBlob.

```
>>> wiki = TextBlob("Python is a high-level, general-purpose programming language.")
```

# 3.3.2 Part-of-speech Tagging

Part-of-speech tags can be accessed through the tags property.

```
>>> wiki.tags
[('Python', 'NNP'), ('is', 'VBZ'), ('a', 'DT'), ('high-level', 'JJ'), ('general-

purpose', 'JJ'), ('programming', 'NN'), ('language', 'NN')]
```

# 3.3.3 Noun Phrase Extraction

Similarly, noun phrases are accessed through the noun\_phrases property.

```
>>> wiki.noun_phrases
WordList(['python'])
```

# 3.3.4 Sentiment Analysis

The sentiment property returns a namedtuple of the form Sentiment (polarity, subjectivity). The polarity score is a float within the range [-1.0, 1.0]. The subjectivity is a float within the range [0.0, 1.0] where 0.0 is very objective and 1.0 is very subjective.

# 3.3.5 Tokenization

You can break TextBlobs into words or sentences.

```
>>> zen = TextBlob("Beautiful is better than ugly. "
... "Explicit is better than implicit. "
... "Simple is better than complex.")
>>> zen.words
WordList(['Beautiful', 'is', 'better', 'than', 'ugly', 'Explicit', 'is', 'better',

-'than', 'implicit', 'Simple', 'is', 'better', 'than', 'complex'])
>>> zen.sentences
[Sentence("Beautiful is better than ugly."), Sentence("Explicit is better than_
-implicit."), Sentence("Simple is better than complex.")]
```

Sentence objects have the same properties and methods as TextBlobs.

```
>>> for sentence in zen.sentences:
... print(sentence.sentiment)
```

For more advanced tokenization, see the Advanced Usage guide.

# 3.3.6 Words Inflection and Lemmatization

Each word in TextBlob.words or Sentence.words is a Word object (a subclass of unicode) with useful methods, e.g. for word inflection.

```
>>> sentence = TextBlob('Use 4 spaces per indentation level.')
>>> sentence.words
WordList(['Use', '4', 'spaces', 'per', 'indentation', 'level'])
>>> sentence.words[2].singularize()
'space'
>>> sentence.words[-1].pluralize()
'levels'
```

Words can be lemmatized by calling the *lemmatize* method.

```
>>> from textblob import Word
>>> w = Word("octopi")
>>> w.lemmatize()
'octopus'
>>> w = Word("went")
>>> w.lemmatize("v") # Pass in WordNet part of speech (verb)
'go'
```

# 3.3.7 WordNet Integration

You can access the synsets for a *Word* via the *synsets* property or the *get\_synsets* method, optionally passing in a part of speech.

```
>>> from textblob import Word
>>> from textblob.wordnet import VERB
>>> word = Word("octopus")
>>> word.synsets
[Synset('octopus.n.01'), Synset('octopus.n.02')]
>>> Word("hack").get_synsets(pos=VERB)
[Synset('chop.v.05'), Synset('hack.v.02'), Synset('hack.v.03'), Synset('hack.v.04'),

->Synset('hack.v.05'), Synset('hack.v.06'), Synset('hack.v.07'), Synset('hack.v.08')]
```

You can access the definitions for each synset via the *definitions* property or the *define()* method, which can also take an optional part-of-speech argument.

```
>>> Word("octopus").definitions
['tentacles of octopus prepared as food', 'bottom-living cephalopod having a soft...
oval body with eight long tentacles']
```

You can also create synsets directly.

```
>>> from textblob.wordnet import Synset
>>> octopus = Synset('octopus.n.02')
>>> shrimp = Synset('shrimp.n.03')
>>> octopus.path_similarity(shrimp)
0.1111111111111111
```

For more information on the WordNet API, see the NLTK documentation on the Wordnet Interface.

# 3.3.8 WordLists

A  ${\tt WordList}$  is just a Python list with additional methods.

```
>>> animals = TextBlob("cat dog octopus")
>>> animals.words
WordList(['cat', 'dog', 'octopus'])
>>> animals.words.pluralize()
WordList(['cats', 'dogs', 'octopodes'])
```

# 3.3.9 Spelling Correction

Use the *correct* () method to attempt spelling correction.

```
>>> b = TextBlob("I havv goood speling!")
>>> print(b.correct())
I have good spelling!
```

Word objects have a spellcheck() Word.spellcheck() method that returns a list of (word, confidence) tuples with spelling suggestions.

```
>>> from textblob import Word
>>> w = Word('falibility')
```

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```
>>> w.spellcheck()
[('fallibility', 1.0)]
```

Spelling correction is based on Peter Norvig's "How to Write a Spelling Corrector" as implemented in the pattern library. It is about 70% accurate<sup>2</sup>.

# 3.3.10 Get Word and Noun Phrase Frequencies

There are two ways to get the frequency of a word or noun phrase in a TextBlob.

The first is through the word counts dictionary.

```
>>> monty = TextBlob("We are no longer the Knights who say Ni. "
... "We are now the Knights who say Ekki ekki ekki PTANG.")
>>> monty.word_counts['ekki']
3
```

If you access the frequencies this way, the search will *not* be case sensitive, and words that are not found will have a frequency of 0.

The second way is to use the count () method.

```
>>> monty.words.count('ekki')
3
```

You can specify whether or not the search should be case-sensitive (default is False).

```
>>> monty.words.count('ekki', case_sensitive=True)
2
```

Each of these methods can also be used with noun phrases.

```
>>> wiki.noun_phrases.count('python')
1
```

# **3.3.11 Parsing**

Use the parse () method to parse the text.

```
>>> b = TextBlob("And now for something completely different.")
>>> print(b.parse())
And/CC/0/O now/RB/B-ADVP/O for/IN/B-PP/B-PNP something/NN/B-NP/I-PNP completely/RB/B-

ADJP/O different/JJ/I-ADJP/O ././O/O
```

By default, TextBlob uses pattern's parser<sup>3</sup>.

# 3.3.12 TextBlobs Are Like Python Strings!

You can use Python's substring syntax.

- <sup>1</sup> http://norvig.com/spell-correct.html
- <sup>2</sup> http://www.clips.ua.ac.be/pages/pattern-en#spelling
- <sup>3</sup> http://www.clips.ua.ac.be/pages/pattern-en#parser

```
>>> zen[0:19]
TextBlob("Beautiful is better")
```

You can use common string methods.

```
>>> zen.upper()
TextBlob("BEAUTIFUL IS BETTER THAN UGLY. EXPLICIT IS BETTER THAN IMPLICIT. SIMPLE IS_

BETTER THAN COMPLEX.")
>>> zen.find("Simple")
65
```

You can make comparisons between TextBlobs and strings.

```
>>> apple_blob = TextBlob('apples')
>>> banana_blob = TextBlob('bananas')
>>> apple_blob < banana_blob
True
>>> apple_blob == 'apples'
True
```

You can concatenate and interpolate TextBlobs and strings.

```
>>> apple_blob + ' and ' + banana_blob

TextBlob("apples and bananas")
>>> "{0} and {1}".format(apple_blob, banana_blob)
'apples and bananas'
```

# 3.3.13 n-grams

The TextBlob.ngrams () method returns a list of tuples of n successive words.

### 3.3.14 Get Start and End Indices of Sentences

Use sentence.start and sentence.end to get the indices where a sentence starts and ends within a TextBlob.

```
>>> for s in zen.sentences:
... print(s)
... print("---- Starts at index {}, Ends at index {}".format(s.start, s.end))
Beautiful is better than ugly.
---- Starts at index 0, Ends at index 30
Explicit is better than implicit.
---- Starts at index 31, Ends at index 64
Simple is better than complex.
---- Starts at index 65, Ends at index 95
```

# **Next Steps**

Want to build your own text classification system? Check out the Classifiers Tutorial.

Want to use a different POS tagger or noun phrase chunker implementation? Check out the Advanced Usage guide.

# 3.4 Tutorial: Building a Text Classification System

The textblob.classifiers module makes it simple to create custom classifiers.

As an example, let's create a custom sentiment analyzer.

# 3.4.1 Loading Data and Creating a Classifier

First we'll create some training and test data.

```
>>> train = [
       ('I love this sandwich.', 'pos'),
       ('this is an amazing place!', 'pos'),
       ('I feel very good about these beers.', 'pos'),
       ('this is my best work.', 'pos'),
       ("what an awesome view", 'pos'),
       ('I do not like this restaurant', 'neg'),
       ('I am tired of this stuff.', 'neg'),
       ("I can't deal with this", 'neg'),
       ('my boss is horrible.', 'neg')
. . .
...]
>>> test = [
       ('the beer was good.', 'pos'),
       ('I do not enjoy my job', 'neg'),
       ("I ain't feeling dandy today.", 'neg'),
       ("I feel amazing!", 'pos'),
       ('Gary is a friend of mine.', 'pos'),
. . .
       ("I can't believe I'm doing this.", 'neg')
. . .
...]
```

Now we'll create a Naive Bayes classifier, passing the training data into the constructor.

```
>>> from textblob.classifiers import NaiveBayesClassifier
>>> cl = NaiveBayesClassifier(train)
```

# **Loading Data from Files**

You can also load data from common file formats including CSV, JSON, and TSV.

CSV files should be formatted like so:

```
I love this sandwich.,pos
This is an amazing place!,pos
I do not like this restaurant,neg
```

JSON files should be formatted like so:

You can then pass the opened file into the constructor.

```
>>> with open('train.json', 'r') as fp:
... cl = NaiveBayesClassifier(fp, format="json")
```

# 3.4.2 Classifying Text

Call the classify (text) method to use the classifier.

```
>>> cl.classify("This is an amazing library!")
'pos'
```

You can get the label probability distribution with the prob\_classify(text) method.

```
>>> prob_dist = cl.prob_classify("This one's a doozy.")
>>> prob_dist.max()
'pos'
>>> round(prob_dist.prob("pos"), 2)
0.63
>>> round(prob_dist.prob("neg"), 2)
0.37
```

# 3.4.3 Classifying TextBlobs

Another way to classify text is to pass a classifier into the constructor of TextBlob and call its classify() method.

```
>>> from textblob import TextBlob
>>> blob = TextBlob("The beer is good. But the hangover is horrible.", classifier=cl)
>>> blob.classify()
'pos'
```

The advantage of this approach is that you can classify sentences within a TextBlob.

```
>>> for s in blob.sentences:
... print(s)
... print(s.classify())
...
The beer is good.
pos
But the hangover is horrible.
neg
```

# 3.4.4 Evaluating Classifiers

To compute the accuracy on our test set, use the accuracy (test\_data) method.

```
>>> cl.accuracy(test)
0.833333333333334
```

**Note:** You can also pass in a file object into the accuracy method. The file can be in any of the formats listed in the *Loading Data* section.

Use the show\_informative\_features () method to display a listing of the most informative features.

```
>>> cl.show_informative_features(5)
Most Informative Features
           contains(my) = True
                                                             1.7 : 1.0
                                          neg : pos
                                                             1.6:1.0
           contains(an) = False
                                          neg : pos
            contains(I) = True
                                          neg : pos
                                                             1.4:1.0
            contains(I) = False
                                                             1.4:1.0
                                          pos : neg
           contains(my) = False
                                         pos: neg =
                                                             1.3:1.0
```

# 3.4.5 Updating Classifiers with New Data

Use the update (new\_data) method to update a classifier with new training data.

## 3.4.6 Feature Extractors

By default, the NaiveBayesClassifier uses a simple feature extractor that indicates which words in the training set are contained in a document.

For example, the sentence "I feel happy" might have the features contains (happy): True or contains (angry): False.

You can override this feature extractor by writing your own. A feature extractor is simply a function with document (the text to extract features from) as the first argument. The function may include a second argument, train\_set (the training dataset), if necessary.

The function should return a dictionary of features for document.

For example, let's create a feature extractor that just uses the first and last words of a document as its features.

```
>>> def end_word_extractor(document):
...     tokens = document.split()
...     first_word, last_word = tokens[0], tokens[-1]
...     feats = {}
...     feats["first({0})".format(first_word)] = True
...     feats["last({0})".format(last_word)] = False
...     return feats
>>> features = end_word_extractor("I feel happy")
>>> assert features == {'last(happy)': False, 'first(I)': True}
```

We can then use the feature extractor in a classifier by passing it as the second argument of the constructor.

```
>>> cl2 = NaiveBayesClassifier(test, feature_extractor=end_word_extractor)
>>> blob = TextBlob("I'm excited to try my new classifier.", classifier=cl2)
>>> blob.classify()
'pos'
```

# 3.4.7 Next Steps

Be sure to check out the API Reference for the classifiers module.

Want to try different POS taggers or noun phrase chunkers with TextBlobs? Check out the Advanced Usage guide.

# 3.5 Advanced Usage: Overriding Models and the Blobber Class

TextBlob allows you to specify which algorithms you want to use under the hood of its simple API.

# 3.5.1 Sentiment Analyzers

New in version 0.5.0.

The textblob.sentiments module contains two sentiment analysis implementations, PatternAnalyzer (based on the pattern library) and NaiveBayesAnalyzer (an NLTK classifier trained on a movie reviews corpus).

The default implementation is PatternAnalyzer, but you can override the analyzer by passing another implementation into a TextBlob's constructor.

For instance, the NaiveBayesAnalyzer returns its result as a namedtuple of the form: Sentiment(classification, p\_pos, p\_neg).

```
>>> from textblob import TextBlob
>>> from textblob.sentiments import NaiveBayesAnalyzer
>>> blob = TextBlob("I love this library", analyzer=NaiveBayesAnalyzer())
>>> blob.sentiment
Sentiment(classification='pos', p_pos=0.7996209910191279, p_neg=0.2003790089808724)
```

## 3.5.2 Tokenizers

New in version 0.4.0.

The words and sentences properties are helpers that use the textblob.tokenizers.WordTokenizer and textblob.tokenizers.SentenceTokenizer classes, respectively.

You can use other tokenizers, such as those provided by NLTK, by passing them into the TextBlob constructor then accessing the tokens property.

```
>>> from textblob import TextBlob
>>> from nltk.tokenize import TabTokenizer
>>> tokenizer = TabTokenizer()
>>> blob = TextBlob("This is\ta rather tabby\tblob.", tokenizer=tokenizer)
>>> blob.tokens
WordList(['This is', 'a rather tabby', 'blob.'])
```

You can also use the tokenize ([tokenizer]) method.

```
>>> from textblob import TextBlob
>>> from nltk.tokenize import BlanklineTokenizer
>>> tokenizer = BlanklineTokenizer()
>>> blob = TextBlob("A token\n\nof appreciation")
>>> blob.tokenize(tokenizer)
WordList(['A token', 'of appreciation'])
```

# 3.5.3 Noun Phrase Chunkers

TextBlob currently has two noun phrases chunker implementations, textblob.np\_extractors. FastNPExtractor (default, based on Shlomi Babluki's implementation from this blog post) and textblob.np\_extractors.ConllExtractor, which uses the CoNLL 2000 corpus to train a tagger.

You can change the chunker implementation (or even use your own) by explicitly passing an instance of a noun phrase extractor to a TextBlob's constructor.

```
>>> from textblob import TextBlob
>>> from textblob.np_extractors import ConllExtractor
>>> extractor = ConllExtractor()
>>> blob = TextBlob("Python is a high-level programming language.", np_
--extractor=extractor)
>>> blob.noun_phrases
WordList(['python', 'high-level programming language'])
```

# 3.5.4 POS Taggers

TextBlob currently has two POS tagger implementations, located in textblob.taggers. The default is the PatternTagger which uses the same implementation as the pattern library.

The second implementation is NLTKTagger which uses NLTK's TreeBank tagger. *Numpy is required to use the NLTKTagger*.

Similar to the tokenizers and noun phrase chunkers, you can explicitly specify which POS tagger to use by passing a tagger instance to the constructor.

```
>>> from textblob import TextBlob
>>> from textblob.taggers import NLTKTagger
>>> nltk_tagger = NLTKTagger()
>>> blob = TextBlob("Tag! You're It!", pos_tagger=nltk_tagger)
>>> blob.pos_tags
[(Word('Tag'), u'NN'), (Word('You'), u'PRP'), (Word('''), u'VBZ'), (Word('re'), u'NN '), (Word('It')
, u'PRP')]
```

# 3.5.5 Parsers

New in version 0.6.0.

Parser implementations can also be passed to the TextBlob constructor.

```
>>> from textblob import TextBlob
>>> from textblob.parsers import PatternParser
>>> blob = TextBlob("Parsing is fun.", parser=PatternParser())
```

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```
>>> blob.parse()
'Parsing/VBG/B-VP/O is/VBZ/I-VP/O fun/VBG/I-VP/O ././O/O'
```

# 3.5.6 Blobber: A TextBlob Factory

New in 0.4.0.

It can be tedious to repeatedly pass taggers, NP extractors, sentiment analyzers, classifiers, and tokenizers to multiple TextBlobs. To keep your code DRY, you can use the Blobber class to create TextBlobs that share the same models.

First, instantiate a Blobber with the tagger, NP extractor, sentiment analyzer, classifier, and/or tokenizer of your choice.

```
>>> from textblob import Blobber
>>> from textblob.taggers import NLTKTagger
>>> tb = Blobber(pos_tagger=NLTKTagger())
```

You can now create new TextBlobs like so:

```
>>> blob1 = tb("This is a blob.")
>>> blob2 = tb("This is another blob.")
>>> blob1.pos_tagger is blob2.pos_tagger
True
```

# 3.6 Extensions

TextBlob supports adding custom models and new languages through "extensions".

Extensions can be installed from the PyPI.

```
$ pip install textblob-name
```

where "name" is the name of the package.

# 3.6.1 Available extensions

# Languages

• textblob-fr: French

• textblob-de: German

# Part-of-speech Taggers

• textblob-aptagger: A fast and accurate tagger based on the Averaged Perceptron.

### Interested in creating an extension?

See the Contributing guide.

3.6. Extensions

# 3.7 API Reference

### 3.7.1 Blob Classes

Wrappers for various units of text, including the main TextBlob, Word, and WordList classes. Example usage:

Changed in version 0.8.0: These classes are now imported from textblob rather than text.blob.

class textblob.blob.BaseBlob (text, tokenizer=None, pos\_tagger=None, np\_extractor=None, analyzer=None, parser=None, classifier=None, clean\_html=False)

An abstract base class that all textblob classes will inherit from. Includes words, POS tag, NP, and word count properties. Also includes basic dunder and string methods for making objects like Python strings.

#### **Parameters**

- text A string.
- tokenizer (optional) A tokenizer instance. If None, defaults to WordTokenizer ().
- np\_extractor (optional) An NPExtractor instance. If None, defaults to FastNPExtractor().
- pos\_tagger (optional) A Tagger instance. If None, defaults to NLTKTagger.
- analyzer (optional) A sentiment analyzer. If None, defaults to PatternAnalyzer.
- parser A parser. If None, defaults to PatternParser.
- classifier A classifier.

Changed in version 0.6.0: clean\_html parameter deprecated, as it was in NLTK.

#### classify()

Classify the blob using the blob's classifier.

## correct()

Attempt to correct the spelling of a blob.

New in version 0.6.0.

Return type BaseBlob

#### detect\_language()

Detect the blob's language using the Google Translate API.

Requires an internet connection.

Usage:

```
>>> b = TextBlob("bonjour")
>>> b.detect_language()
u'fr'
```

Language code reference: https://developers.google.com/translate/v2/using\_rest#language-params

Deprecated since version 0.16.0: Use the official Google Translate API instead.

New in version 0.5.0.

### Return type str

```
ends_with (suffix, start=0, end=9223372036854775807)
```

Returns True if the blob ends with the given suffix.

```
endswith (suffix, start=0, end=9223372036854775807)
```

Returns True if the blob ends with the given suffix.

```
find (sub, start=0, end=9223372036854775807)
```

Behaves like the built-in str.find() method. Returns an integer, the index of the first occurrence of the substring argument sub in the sub-string given by [start:end].

```
format (*args, **kwargs)
```

Perform a string formatting operation, like the built-in str.format(\*args, \*\*kwargs). Returns a blob object.

```
index (sub, start=0, end=9223372036854775807)
```

Like blob.find() but raise ValueError when the substring is not found.

```
join (iterable)
```

Behaves like the built-in str.join(iterable) method, except returns a blob object.

Returns a blob which is the concatenation of the strings or blobs in the iterable.

# lower()

Like str.lower(), returns new object with all lower-cased characters.

```
ngrams(n=3)
```

Return a list of n-grams (tuples of n successive words) for this blob.

```
Return type List of WordLists
```

# noun\_phrases

Returns a list of noun phrases for this blob.

#### np\_counts

Dictionary of noun phrase frequencies in this text.

### parse (parser=None)

Parse the text.

**Parameters** parser – (optional) A parser instance. If None, defaults to this blob's default parser.

New in version 0.6.0.

### polarity

Return the polarity score as a float within the range [-1.0, 1.0]

Return type float

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#### pos\_tags

Returns an list of tuples of the form (word, POS tag).

Example:

```
[('At', 'IN'), ('eight', 'CD'), ("o'clock", 'JJ'), ('on', 'IN'), ('Thursday', 'NNP'), ('morning', 'NN')]
```

## **Return type** list of tuples

```
replace (old, new, count=9223372036854775807)
```

Return a new blob object with all the occurence of old replaced by new.

```
rfind (sub, start=0, end=9223372036854775807)
```

Behaves like the built-in str.rfind() method. Returns an integer, the index of he last (right-most) occurrence of the substring argument sub in the sub-sequence given by [start:end].

```
rindex (sub, start=0, end=9223372036854775807)
```

Like blob.rfind() but raise ValueError when substring is not found.

#### sentiment

Return a tuple of form (polarity, subjectivity) where polarity is a float within the range [-1.0, 1.0] and subjectivity is a float within the range [0.0, 1.0] where 0.0 is very objective and 1.0 is very subjective.

**Return type** namedtuple of the form Sentiment (polarity, subjectivity)

#### sentiment\_assessments

Return a tuple of form (polarity, subjectivity, assessments) where polarity is a float within the range [-1.0, 1.0], subjectivity is a float within the range [0.0, 1.0] where 0.0 is very objective and 1.0 is very subjective, and assessments is a list of polarity and subjectivity scores for the assessed tokens.

**Return type** namedtuple of the form "Sentiment(polarity, subjectivity,

```
assessments)"
```

```
split (sep=None, maxsplit=9223372036854775807)
```

Behaves like the built-in str.split() except returns a WordList.

```
Return type WordList
```

```
starts_with (prefix, start=0, end=9223372036854775807)
```

Returns True if the blob starts with the given prefix.

```
startswith (prefix, start=0, end=9223372036854775807)
```

Returns True if the blob starts with the given prefix.

```
strip (chars=None)
```

Behaves like the built-in str.strip([chars]) method. Returns an object with leading and trailing whitespace removed.

# subjectivity

Return the subjectivity score as a float within the range [0.0, 1.0] where 0.0 is very objective and 1.0 is very subjective.

# Return type float

## tags

Returns an list of tuples of the form (word, POS tag).

Example:

```
[('At', 'IN'), ('eight', 'CD'), ("o'clock", 'JJ'), ('on', 'IN'), ('Thursday', 'NNP'), ('morning', 'NN')]
```

# **Return type** list of tuples

#### title()

Returns a blob object with the text in title-case.

```
tokenize (tokenizer=None)
```

Return a list of tokens, using tokenizer.

**Parameters tokenizer** – (optional) A tokenizer object. If None, defaults to this blob's default tokenizer.

#### tokens

Return a list of tokens, using this blob's tokenizer object (defaults to WordTokenizer).

```
translate (from_lang=u'auto', to=u'en')
```

Translate the blob to another language. Uses the Google Translate API. Returns a new TextBlob.

Requires an internet connection.

Usage:

```
>>> b = TextBlob("Simple is better than complex")
>>> b.translate(to="es")
TextBlob('Lo simple es mejor que complejo')
```

Language code reference: https://developers.google.com/translate/v2/using\_rest#language-params

Deprecated since version 0.16.0: Use the official Google Translate API instead.

New in version 0.5.0..

#### **Parameters**

- **from\_lang** (str) Language to translate from. If None, will attempt to detect the language.
- to (str) Language to translate to.

### Return type BaseBlob

#### upper()

Like str.upper(), returns new object with all upper-cased characters.

### word\_counts

Dictionary of word frequencies in this text.

#### words

Return a list of word tokens. This excludes punctuation characters. If you want to include punctuation characters, access the tokens property.

**Returns** A WordList of word tokens.

```
class textblob.blob.Blobber(tokenizer=None, pos_tagger=None, np_extractor=None, ana-
lyzer=None, parser=None, classifier=None)
```

A factory for TextBlobs that all share the same tagger, tokenizer, parser, classifier, and np\_extractor.

Usage:

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```
>>> from textblob import Blobber
>>> from textblob.taggers import NLTKTagger
>>> from textblob.tokenizers import SentenceTokenizer
>>> tb = Blobber(pos_tagger=NLTKTagger(), tokenizer=SentenceTokenizer())
>>> blob1 = tb("This is one blob.")
>>> blob2 = tb("This blob has the same tagger and tokenizer.")
>>> blob1.pos_tagger is blob2.pos_tagger
True
```

#### **Parameters**

- tokenizer (optional) A tokenizer instance. If None, defaults to WordTokenizer ().
- np\_extractor (optional) An NPExtractor instance. If None, defaults to FastNPExtractor().
- pos\_tagger (optional) A Tagger instance. If None, defaults to NLTKTagger.
- analyzer (optional) A sentiment analyzer. If None, defaults to PatternAnalyzer.
- parser A parser. If None, defaults to PatternParser.
- classifier A classifier.

New in version 0.4.0.

**class** textblob.blob.**Sentence** (sentence, start\_index=0, end\_index=None, \*args, \*\*kwargs)

A sentence within a TextBlob. Inherits from BaseBlob.

#### **Parameters**

- **sentence** A string, the raw sentence.
- **start\_index** An int, the index where this sentence begins in a TextBlob. If not given, defaults to 0.
- end\_index An int, the index where this sentence ends in a TextBlob. If not given, defaults to the length of the sentence 1.

### classify()

Classify the blob using the blob's classifier.

#### correct()

Attempt to correct the spelling of a blob.

New in version 0.6.0.

```
Return type BaseBlob
```

# detect\_language()

Detect the blob's language using the Google Translate API.

Requires an internet connection.

Usage:

```
>>> b = TextBlob("bonjour")
>>> b.detect_language()
u'fr'
```

Language code reference: https://developers.google.com/translate/v2/using\_rest#language-params

Deprecated since version 0.16.0: Use the official Google Translate API instead.

New in version 0.5.0.

# Return type str

#### dict

The dict representation of this sentence.

#### end = None

The end index within a textBlob

#### end index = None

The end index within a textBlob

### ends\_with (suffix, start=0, end=9223372036854775807)

Returns True if the blob ends with the given suffix.

# **endswith** (*suffix*, *start*=0, *end*=9223372036854775807)

Returns True if the blob ends with the given suffix.

#### **find** (*sub*, *start*=0, *end*=9223372036854775807)

Behaves like the built-in str.find() method. Returns an integer, the index of the first occurrence of the substring argument sub in the sub-string given by [start:end].

# format (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Perform a string formatting operation, like the built-in str.format(\*args, \*\*kwargs). Returns a blob object.

#### index (sub, start=0, end=9223372036854775807)

Like blob.find() but raise ValueError when the substring is not found.

#### join (*iterable*)

Behaves like the built-in str.join (iterable) method, except returns a blob object.

Returns a blob which is the concatenation of the strings or blobs in the iterable.

#### lower()

Like str.lower(), returns new object with all lower-cased characters.

### ngrams(n=3)

Return a list of n-grams (tuples of n successive words) for this blob.

```
Return type List of WordLists
```

# noun\_phrases

Returns a list of noun phrases for this blob.

#### np counts

Dictionary of noun phrase frequencies in this text.

#### parse (parser=None)

Parse the text.

**Parameters** parser – (optional) A parser instance. If None, defaults to this blob's default parser.

New in version 0.6.0.

### polarity

Return the polarity score as a float within the range [-1.0, 1.0]

### Return type float

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#### pos\_tags

Returns an list of tuples of the form (word, POS tag).

Example:

```
[('At', 'IN'), ('eight', 'CD'), ("o'clock", 'JJ'), ('on', 'IN'), ('Thursday', 'NNP'), ('morning', 'NN')]
```

## **Return type** list of tuples

```
replace (old, new, count=9223372036854775807)
```

Return a new blob object with all the occurence of old replaced by new.

```
rfind (sub, start=0, end=9223372036854775807)
```

Behaves like the built-in str.rfind() method. Returns an integer, the index of he last (right-most) occurrence of the substring argument sub in the sub-sequence given by [start:end].

```
rindex (sub, start=0, end=9223372036854775807)
```

Like blob.rfind() but raise ValueError when substring is not found.

#### sentiment

Return a tuple of form (polarity, subjectivity) where polarity is a float within the range [-1.0, 1.0] and subjectivity is a float within the range [0.0, 1.0] where 0.0 is very objective and 1.0 is very subjective.

**Return type** namedtuple of the form Sentiment (polarity, subjectivity)

#### sentiment\_assessments

Return a tuple of form (polarity, subjectivity, assessments) where polarity is a float within the range [-1.0, 1.0], subjectivity is a float within the range [0.0, 1.0] where 0.0 is very objective and 1.0 is very subjective, and assessments is a list of polarity and subjectivity scores for the assessed tokens.

**Return type** namedtuple of the form "Sentiment(polarity, subjectivity,

```
assessments)"
```

```
split (sep=None, maxsplit=9223372036854775807)
```

Behaves like the built-in str.split() except returns a WordList.

```
Return type WordList
```

#### start = None

The start index within a TextBlob

### start index = None

The start index within a TextBlob

```
starts_with (prefix, start=0, end=9223372036854775807)
```

Returns True if the blob starts with the given prefix.

```
startswith (prefix, start=0, end=9223372036854775807)
```

Returns True if the blob starts with the given prefix.

```
strip(chars=None)
```

Behaves like the built-in str.strip([chars]) method. Returns an object with leading and trailing whitespace removed.

# subjectivity

Return the subjectivity score as a float within the range [0.0, 1.0] where 0.0 is very objective and 1.0 is very subjective.

Return type float

#### tags

Returns an list of tuples of the form (word, POS tag).

Example:

```
[('At', 'IN'), ('eight', 'CD'), ("o'clock", 'JJ'), ('on', 'IN'), ('Thursday', 'NNP'), ('morning', 'NN')]
```

### **Return type** list of tuples

### title()

Returns a blob object with the text in title-case.

#### tokenize (tokenizer=None)

Return a list of tokens, using tokenizer.

**Parameters tokenizer** – (optional) A tokenizer object. If None, defaults to this blob's default tokenizer.

#### tokens

Return a list of tokens, using this blob's tokenizer object (defaults to WordTokenizer).

```
translate (from_lang=u'auto', to=u'en')
```

Translate the blob to another language. Uses the Google Translate API. Returns a new TextBlob.

Requires an internet connection.

Usage:

```
>>> b = TextBlob("Simple is better than complex")
>>> b.translate(to="es")
TextBlob('Lo simple es mejor que complejo')
```

Language code reference: https://developers.google.com/translate/v2/using\_rest#language-params

Deprecated since version 0.16.0: Use the official Google Translate API instead.

New in version 0.5.0..

### **Parameters**

- from\_lang (str) Language to translate from. If None, will attempt to detect the language.
- to (str) Language to translate to.

# Return type BaseBlob

## upper()

Like str.upper(), returns new object with all upper-cased characters.

#### word counts

Dictionary of word frequencies in this text.

### words

Return a list of word tokens. This excludes punctuation characters. If you want to include punctuation characters, access the tokens property.

**Returns** A WordList of word tokens.

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**class** textblob.blob.**TextBlob** (text, tokenizer=None, pos\_tagger=None, np\_extractor=None, analyzer=None, parser=None, classifier=None, clean html=False)

A general text block, meant for larger bodies of text (esp. those containing sentences). Inherits from BaseBlob.

#### **Parameters**

- text (str) A string.
- tokenizer (optional) A tokenizer instance. If None, defaults to WordTokenizer ().
- np\_extractor (optional) An NPExtractor instance. If None, defaults to FastNPExtractor().
- pos\_tagger (optional) A Tagger instance. If None, defaults to NLTKTagger.
- analyzer (optional) A sentiment analyzer. If None, defaults to PatternAnalyzer.
- classifier (optional) A classifier.

## classify()

Classify the blob using the blob's classifier.

### correct()

Attempt to correct the spelling of a blob.

New in version 0.6.0.

```
Return type BaseBlob
```

### detect\_language()

Detect the blob's language using the Google Translate API.

Requires an internet connection.

Usage:

```
>>> b = TextBlob("bonjour")
>>> b.detect_language()
u'fr'
```

**Language code reference:** https://developers.google.com/translate/v2/using\_rest#language-params

Deprecated since version 0.16.0: Use the official Google Translate API instead.

New in version 0.5.0.

#### **Return type** str

```
ends_with (suffix, start=0, end=9223372036854775807)
```

Returns True if the blob ends with the given suffix.

```
endswith (suffix, start=0, end=9223372036854775807)
```

Returns True if the blob ends with the given suffix.

```
find (sub, start=0, end=9223372036854775807)
```

Behaves like the built-in str.find() method. Returns an integer, the index of the first occurrence of the substring argument sub in the sub-string given by [start:end].

```
format (*args, **kwargs)
```

Perform a string formatting operation, like the built-in str.format(\*args, \*\*kwargs). Returns a blob object.

```
index (sub, start=0, end=9223372036854775807)
```

Like blob.find() but raise ValueError when the substring is not found.

#### join (iterable)

Behaves like the built-in str.join(iterable) method, except returns a blob object.

Returns a blob which is the concatenation of the strings or blobs in the iterable.

### json

The json representation of this blob.

Changed in version 0.5.1: Made json a property instead of a method to restore backwards compatibility that was broken after version 0.4.0.

### lower()

Like str.lower(), returns new object with all lower-cased characters.

### ngrams(n=3)

Return a list of n-grams (tuples of n successive words) for this blob.

```
Return type List of WordLists
```

### noun\_phrases

Returns a list of noun phrases for this blob.

#### np\_counts

Dictionary of noun phrase frequencies in this text.

# parse (parser=None)

Parse the text.

**Parameters** parser – (optional) A parser instance. If None, defaults to this blob's default parser.

New in version 0.6.0.

### polarity

Return the polarity score as a float within the range [-1.0, 1.0]

# Return type float

# pos\_tags

Returns an list of tuples of the form (word, POS tag).

#### Example:

```
[('At', 'IN'), ('eight', 'CD'), ("o'clock", 'JJ'), ('on', 'IN'), ('Thursday', 'NNP'), ('morning', 'NN')]
```

### **Return type** list of tuples

# raw\_sentences

List of strings, the raw sentences in the blob.

```
\texttt{replace} (old, new, count = 9223372036854775807)
```

Return a new blob object with all the occurence of old replaced by new.

```
rfind (sub, start=0, end=9223372036854775807)
```

Behaves like the built-in str.rfind() method. Returns an integer, the index of he last (right-most) occurrence of the substring argument sub in the sub-sequence given by [start:end].

### **rindex** (*sub*, *start*=0, *end*=9223372036854775807)

Like blob.rfind() but raise ValueError when substring is not found.

#### sentences

Return list of Sentence objects.

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#### sentiment

Return a tuple of form (polarity, subjectivity) where polarity is a float within the range [-1.0, 1.0] and subjectivity is a float within the range [0.0, 1.0] where 0.0 is very objective and 1.0 is very subjective.

**Return type** namedtuple of the form Sentiment (polarity, subjectivity)

#### sentiment assessments

Return a tuple of form (polarity, subjectivity, assessments) where polarity is a float within the range [-1.0, 1.0], subjectivity is a float within the range [0.0, 1.0] where 0.0 is very objective and 1.0 is very subjective, and assessments is a list of polarity and subjectivity scores for the assessed tokens.

**Return type** namedtuple of the form "Sentiment(polarity, subjectivity,

```
assessments)"
```

#### serialized

Returns a list of each sentence's dict representation.

```
split (sep=None, maxsplit=9223372036854775807)
```

Behaves like the built-in str.split() except returns a WordList.

```
Return type WordList
```

```
starts with (prefix, start=0, end=9223372036854775807)
```

Returns True if the blob starts with the given prefix.

```
startswith (prefix, start=0, end=9223372036854775807)
```

Returns True if the blob starts with the given prefix.

```
strip (chars=None)
```

Behaves like the built-in str.strip([chars]) method. Returns an object with leading and trailing whitespace removed.

# subjectivity

Return the subjectivity score as a float within the range [0.0, 1.0] where 0.0 is very objective and 1.0 is very subjective.

### Return type float

#### tags

Returns an list of tuples of the form (word, POS tag).

Example:

```
[('At', 'IN'), ('eight', 'CD'), ("o'clock", 'JJ'), ('on', 'IN'), ('Thursday', 'NNP'), ('morning', 'NN')]
```

# **Return type** list of tuples

# title()

Returns a blob object with the text in title-case.

```
to_json (*args, **kwargs)
```

Return a json representation (str) of this blob. Takes the same arguments as json.dumps.

New in version 0.5.1.

# tokenize (tokenizer=None)

Return a list of tokens, using tokenizer.

**Parameters tokenizer** – (optional) A tokenizer object. If None, defaults to this blob's default tokenizer.

#### tokens

Return a list of tokens, using this blob's tokenizer object (defaults to WordTokenizer).

```
translate (from lang=u'auto', to=u'en')
```

Translate the blob to another language. Uses the Google Translate API. Returns a new TextBlob.

Requires an internet connection.

Usage:

```
>>> b = TextBlob("Simple is better than complex")
>>> b.translate(to="es")
TextBlob('Lo simple es mejor que complejo')
```

**Language code reference:** https://developers.google.com/translate/v2/using\_rest#language-params

Deprecated since version 0.16.0: Use the official Google Translate API instead.

New in version 0.5.0..

#### **Parameters**

- **from\_lang** (str) Language to translate from. If None, will attempt to detect the language.
- to (str) Language to translate to.

```
Return type BaseBlob
```

### upper()

Like str.upper(), returns new object with all upper-cased characters.

#### word\_counts

Dictionary of word frequencies in this text.

#### words

Return a list of word tokens. This excludes punctuation characters. If you want to include punctuation characters, access the tokens property.

**Returns** A WordList of word tokens.

```
class textblob.blob.Word(string, pos_tag=None)
```

A simple word representation. Includes methods for inflection, translation, and WordNet integration.

```
capitalize() \rightarrow unicode
```

Return a capitalized version of S, i.e. make the first character have upper case and the rest lower case.

```
center (width , fillchar ) \rightarrow unicode
```

Return S centered in a Unicode string of length width. Padding is done using the specified fill character (default is a space)

```
correct()
```

Correct the spelling of the word. Returns the word with the highest confidence using the spelling corrector.

New in version 0.6.0.

```
count(sub[,start[,end]]) \rightarrow int
```

Return the number of non-overlapping occurrences of substring sub in Unicode string S[start:end]. Optional arguments start and end are interpreted as in slice notation.

```
decode ([encoding[, errors]]) \rightarrow string or unicode
```

Decodes S using the codec registered for encoding. encoding defaults to the default encoding. errors may be given to set a different error handling scheme. Default is 'strict' meaning that encoding errors raise a

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UnicodeDecodeError. Other possible values are 'ignore' and 'replace' as well as any other name registered with codecs.register\_error that is able to handle UnicodeDecodeErrors.

# define (pos=None)

Return a list of definitions for this word. Each definition corresponds to a synset for this word.

**Parameters pos** – A part-of-speech tag to filter upon. If None, definitions for all parts of speech will be loaded.

Return type List of strings

New in version 0.7.0.

#### definitions

The list of definitions for this word. Each definition corresponds to a synset.

New in version 0.7.0.

# detect\_language()

Detect the word's language using Google's Translate API.

Deprecated since version 0.16.0: Use the official Google Translate API istead.

New in version 0.5.0.

```
encode ([encoding[, errors]]) \rightarrow string or unicode
```

Encodes S using the codec registered for encoding. encoding defaults to the default encoding. errors may be given to set a different error handling scheme. Default is 'strict' meaning that encoding errors raise a UnicodeEncodeError. Other possible values are 'ignore', 'replace' and 'xmlcharrefreplace' as well as any other name registered with codecs.register\_error that can handle UnicodeEncodeErrors.

endswith 
$$(suffix[, start[, end]]) \rightarrow bool$$

Return True if S ends with the specified suffix, False otherwise. With optional start, test S beginning at that position. With optional end, stop comparing S at that position. suffix can also be a tuple of strings to try.

```
expandtabs ([tabsize]) \rightarrow unicode
```

Return a copy of S where all tab characters are expanded using spaces. If tabsize is not given, a tab size of 8 characters is assumed.

```
find(sub[, start[, end]]) \rightarrow int
```

Return the lowest index in S where substring sub is found, such that sub is contained within S[start:end]. Optional arguments start and end are interpreted as in slice notation.

Return -1 on failure.

```
format (*args, **kwargs) → unicode
```

Return a formatted version of S, using substitutions from args and kwargs. The substitutions are identified by braces ('{ and '}').

## get\_synsets(pos=None)

Return a list of Synset objects for this word.

**Parameters** pos – A part-of-speech tag to filter upon. If None, all synsets for all parts of speech will be loaded.

**Return type** list of Synsets

New in version 0.7.0.

# $index(sub[, start[, end]]) \rightarrow int$

Like S.find() but raise ValueError when the substring is not found.

#### $isalnum() \rightarrow bool$

Return True if all characters in S are alphanumeric and there is at least one character in S, False otherwise.

#### $isalpha() \rightarrow bool$

Return True if all characters in S are alphabetic and there is at least one character in S, False otherwise.

#### $isdecimal() \rightarrow bool$

Return True if there are only decimal characters in S, False otherwise.

#### $isdigit() \rightarrow bool$

Return True if all characters in S are digits and there is at least one character in S, False otherwise.

#### $islower() \rightarrow bool$

Return True if all cased characters in S are lowercase and there is at least one cased character in S, False otherwise.

#### $isnumeric() \rightarrow bool$

Return True if there are only numeric characters in S, False otherwise.

#### $isspace() \rightarrow bool$

Return True if all characters in S are whitespace and there is at least one character in S, False otherwise.

#### $istitle() \rightarrow bool$

Return True if S is a titlecased string and there is at least one character in S, i.e. upper- and titlecase characters may only follow uncased characters and lowercase characters only cased ones. Return False otherwise.

#### $isupper() \rightarrow bool$

Return True if all cased characters in S are uppercase and there is at least one cased character in S, False otherwise.

#### $join(iterable) \rightarrow unicode$

Return a string which is the concatenation of the strings in the iterable. The separator between elements is S.

#### lemma

Return the lemma of this word using Wordnet's morphy function.

#### lemmatize(\*\*kwargs)

Return the lemma for a word using WordNet's morphy function.

Parameters pos – Part of speech to filter upon. If None, defaults to \_wordnet.NOUN.

New in version 0.8.1.

# ljust $(width[, fillchar]) \rightarrow int$

Return S left-justified in a Unicode string of length width. Padding is done using the specified fill character (default is a space).

#### **lower**() $\rightarrow$ unicode

Return a copy of the string S converted to lowercase.

# $lstrip([chars]) \rightarrow unicode$

Return a copy of the string S with leading whitespace removed. If chars is given and not None, remove characters in chars instead. If chars is a str, it will be converted to unicode before stripping

#### partition (sep) -> (head, sep, tail)

Search for the separator sep in S, and return the part before it, the separator itself, and the part after it. If the separator is not found, return S and two empty strings.

## pluralize()

Return the plural version of the word as a string.

# **replace** $(old, new[, count]) \rightarrow unicode$

Return a copy of S with all occurrences of substring old replaced by new. If the optional argument count is given, only the first count occurrences are replaced.

# **rfind** $(sub[, start[, end]]) \rightarrow int$

Return the highest index in S where substring sub is found, such that sub is contained within S[start:end]. Optional arguments start and end are interpreted as in slice notation.

Return -1 on failure.

# $rindex(sub[, start[, end]]) \rightarrow int$

Like S.rfind() but raise ValueError when the substring is not found.

# $rjust(width[, fillchar]) \rightarrow unicode$

Return S right-justified in a Unicode string of length width. Padding is done using the specified fill character (default is a space).

## rpartition (sep) -> (head, sep, tail)

Search for the separator sep in S, starting at the end of S, and return the part before it, the separator itself, and the part after it. If the separator is not found, return two empty strings and S.

$$rsplit([sep[, maxsplit]]) \rightarrow list of strings$$

Return a list of the words in S, using sep as the delimiter string, starting at the end of the string and working to the front. If maxsplit is given, at most maxsplit splits are done. If sep is not specified, any whitespace string is a separator.

# $rstrip([chars]) \rightarrow unicode$

Return a copy of the string S with trailing whitespace removed. If chars is given and not None, remove characters in chars instead. If chars is a str, it will be converted to unicode before stripping

#### singularize()

Return the singular version of the word as a string.

## spellcheck()

Return a list of (word, confidence) tuples of spelling corrections.

Based on: Peter Norvig, "How to Write a Spelling Corrector" (http://norvig.com/spell-correct.html) as implemented in the pattern library.

New in version 0.6.0.

# $split([sep[, maxsplit]]) \rightarrow list of strings$

Return a list of the words in S, using sep as the delimiter string. If maxsplit is given, at most maxsplit splits are done. If sep is not specified or is None, any whitespace string is a separator and empty strings are removed from the result.

#### **splitlines** (keepends=False) $\rightarrow$ list of strings

Return a list of the lines in S, breaking at line boundaries. Line breaks are not included in the resulting list unless keepends is given and true.

$$startswith(prefix[,start[,end]]) \rightarrow bool$$

Return True if S starts with the specified prefix, False otherwise. With optional start, test S beginning at that position. With optional end, stop comparing S at that position. prefix can also be a tuple of strings to try.

#### stem (stemmer=<PorterStemmer>)

Stem a word using various NLTK stemmers. (Default: Porter Stemmer)

New in version 0.12.0.

```
strip([chars]) \rightarrow unicode
```

Return a copy of the string S with leading and trailing whitespace removed. If chars is given and not None, remove characters in chars instead. If chars is a str, it will be converted to unicode before stripping

#### $swapcase() \rightarrow unicode$

Return a copy of S with uppercase characters converted to lowercase and vice versa.

#### synsets

The list of Synset objects for this Word.

#### Return type list of Synsets

New in version 0.7.0.

#### **title**() $\rightarrow$ unicode

Return a titlecased version of S, i.e. words start with title case characters, all remaining cased characters have lower case.

#### translate (from\_lang=u'auto', to=u'en')

Translate the word to another language using Google's Translate API.

Deprecated since version 0.16.0: Use the official Google Translate API instead.

New in version 0.5.0.

# $\mathbf{upper}\,(\,)\,\to unicode$

Return a copy of S converted to uppercase.

#### **zfill** (*width*) $\rightarrow$ unicode

Pad a numeric string S with zeros on the left, to fill a field of the specified width. The string S is never truncated.

## class textblob.blob.WordList (collection)

A list-like collection of words.

# append(obj)

Append an object to end. If the object is a string, appends a Word object.

```
count (strg, case_sensitive=False, *args, **kwargs)
```

Get the count of a word or phrase s within this WordList.

#### **Parameters**

- **strg** The string to count.
- case\_sensitive A boolean, whether or not the search is case-sensitive.

#### extend(iterable)

Extend WordList by appending elements from iterable. If an element is a string, appends a *Word* object.

```
index (value[, start[, stop]]) \rightarrow integer - return first index of value.
```

Raises ValueError if the value is not present.

#### insert()

L.insert(index, object) – insert object before index

#### lemmatize()

Return the lemma of each word in this WordList.

#### lower(

Return a new WordList with each word lower-cased.

## pluralize()

Return the plural version of each word in this WordList.

```
pop ([index]) → item - remove and return item at index (default last).
    Raises IndexError if list is empty or index is out of range.

remove ()
    L.remove(value) - remove first occurrence of value. Raises ValueError if the value is not present.

reverse ()
    L.reverse() - reverse IN PLACE

singularize ()
    Return the single version of each word in this WordList.

sort ()
    L.sort(cmp=None, key=None, reverse=False) - stable sort IN PLACE; cmp(x, y) -> -1, 0, 1

stem (*args, **kwargs)
    Return the stem for each word in this WordList.
```

# 3.7.2 Base Classes

upper()

Abstract base classes for models (taggers, noun phrase extractors, etc.) which define the interface for descendant classes.

Changed in version 0.7.0: All base classes are defined in the same module, textblob.base.

```
class textblob.base.BaseNPExtractor
```

Abstract base class from which all NPExtractor classes inherit. Descendant classes must implement an extract (text) method that returns a list of noun phrases as strings.

```
extract (text)
```

Return a list of noun phrases (strings) for a body of text.

Return a new WordList with each word upper-cased.

```
class textblob.base.BaseParser
```

Abstract parser class from which all parsers inherit from. All descendants must implement a parse () method.

```
parse (text)
```

Parses the text.

#### class textblob.base.BaseSentimentAnalyzer

Abstract base class from which all sentiment analyzers inherit. Should implement an analyze (text) method which returns either the results of analysis.

```
analyze (text)
```

Return the result of of analysis. Typically returns either a tuple, float, or dictionary.

```
class textblob.base.BaseTagger
```

Abstract tagger class from which all taggers inherit from. All descendants must implement a tag () method.

```
tag (text, tokenize=True)
```

Return a list of tuples of the form (word, tag) for a given set of text or BaseBlob instance.

```
class textblob.base.BaseTokenizer
```

Abstract base class from which all Tokenizer classes inherit. Descendant classes must implement a tokenize (text) method that returns a list of noun phrases as strings.

```
itokenize(text, *args, **kwargs)
```

Return a generator that generates tokens "on-demand".

New in version 0.6.0.

**Return type** generator

tokenize(text)

Return a list of tokens (strings) for a body of text.

**Return type** list

#### 3.7.3 Tokenizers

Various tokenizer implementations.

New in version 0.4.0.

#### class textblob.tokenizers.SentenceTokenizer

NLTK's sentence tokenizer (currently PunktSentenceTokenizer). Uses an unsupervised algorithm to build a model for abbreviation words, collocations, and words that start sentences, then uses that to find sentence boundaries.

itokenize(text, \*args, \*\*kwargs)

Return a generator that generates tokens "on-demand".

New in version 0.6.0.

Return type generator

tokenize(\*\*kwargs)

Return a list of sentences.

#### class textblob.tokenizers.WordTokenizer

NLTK's recommended word tokenizer (currently the TreeBankTokenizer). Uses regular expressions to tokenize text. Assumes text has already been segmented into sentences.

Performs the following steps:

- split standard contractions, e.g. don't -> do n't
- split commas and single quotes
- separate periods that appear at the end of line

```
itokenize(text, *args, **kwargs)
```

Return a generator that generates tokens "on-demand".

New in version 0.6.0.

Return type generator

tokenize(text, include punc=True)

Return a list of word tokens.

#### **Parameters**

- text string of text.
- include\_punc (optional) whether to include punctuation as separate tokens. Default to True.

textblob.tokenizers.sent\_tokenize = <bound method SentenceTokenizer.itokenize of <textblob
Convenience function for tokenizing sentences

```
textblob.tokenizers.word_tokenize(text, include_punc=True, *args, **kwargs)
Convenience function for tokenizing text into words.
```

NOTE: NLTK's word tokenizer expects sentences as input, so the text will be tokenized to sentences before being tokenized to words.

# 3.7.4 POS Taggers

```
Parts-of-speech tagger implementations.
```

```
class textblob.en.taggers.NLTKTagger
    Tagger that uses NLTK's standard TreeBank tagger. NOTE: Requires numpy. Not yet supported with PyPy.
    tag(**kwargs)
        Tag a string or BaseBlob.

class textblob.en.taggers.PatternTagger
    Tagger that uses the implementation in Tom de Smedt's pattern library (http://www.clips.ua.ac.be/pattern).
    tag (text, tokenize=True)
        Tag a string or BaseBlob.
```

# 3.7.5 Noun Phrase Extractors

Various noun phrase extractors.

```
class textblob.en.np_extractors.ChunkParser
```

```
evaluate(gold)
```

Score the accuracy of the chunker against the gold standard. Remove the chunking the gold standard text, rechunk it using the chunker, and return a ChunkScore object reflecting the performance of this chunk peraser.

Parameters gold (list (Tree)) - The list of chunked sentences to score the chunker on.

Return type ChunkScore

```
grammar()
```

**Returns** The grammar used by this parser.

```
parse (sentence)
```

Return the parse tree for the sentence.

```
parse_all (sent, *args, **kwargs)
    Return type list(Tree)
```

parse\_one (sent, \*args, \*\*kwargs)

**Return type** Tree or None

```
parse_sents (sents, *args, **kwargs)
Apply self.parse() to each element of sents. :rtype: iter(iter(Tree))
```

train(\*\*kwargs)

Train the Chunker on the ConLL-2000 corpus.

```
class textblob.en.np_extractors.ConllExtractor(parser=None)
```

A noun phrase extractor that uses chunk parsing trained with the ConLL-2000 training corpus.

```
extract (text)
```

Return a list of noun phrases (strings) for body of text.

#### class textblob.en.np\_extractors.FastNPExtractor

A fast and simple noun phrase extractor.

Credit to Shlomi Babluk. Link to original blog post:

http://thetokenizer.com/2013/05/09/efficient-way-to-extract-the-main-topics-of-a-sentence/

```
extract (sentence)
```

Return a list of noun phrases (strings) for body of text.

# 3.7.6 Sentiment Analyzers

Sentiment analysis implementations.

New in version 0.5.0.

Naive Bayes analyzer that is trained on a dataset of movie reviews. Returns results as a named tuple of the form: Sentiment (classification, p\_pos, p\_neg)

**Parameters feature\_extractor** (callable) – Function that returns a dictionary of features, given a list of words.

#### RETURN TYPE

Return type declaration

alias of Sentiment

```
\mathtt{analyze}\left(text\right)
```

Return the sentiment as a named tuple of the form: Sentiment (classification,  $p_pos$ ,  $p_neg$ )

```
train(**kwargs)
```

Train the Naive Bayes classifier on the movie review corpus.

```
class textblob.en.sentiments.PatternAnalyzer
```

Sentiment analyzer that uses the same implementation as the pattern library. Returns results as a named tuple of the form:

```
Sentiment(polarity, subjectivity, [assessments])
```

where [assessments] is a list of the assessed tokens and their polarity and subjectivity scores

## RETURN\_TYPE

alias of Sentiment

```
analyze (text, keep_assessments=False)
```

Return the sentiment as a named tuple of the form: Sentiment (polarity, subjectivity, [assessments]).

## 3.7.7 Parsers

Various parser implementations.

New in version 0.6.0.

```
class textblob.en.parsers.PatternParser
```

Parser that uses the implementation in Tom de Smedt's pattern library. http://www.clips.ua.ac.be/pages/pattern-en#parser

```
parse (text)
```

Parses the text.

# 3.7.8 Classifiers

Various classifier implementations. Also includes basic feature extractor methods.

Example Usage:

```
>>> from textblob import TextBlob
>>> from textblob.classifiers import NaiveBayesClassifier
>>> train = [
        ('I love this sandwich.', 'pos'),
        ('This is an amazing place!', 'pos'),
        ('I feel very good about these beers.', 'pos'),
. . .
        ('I do not like this restaurant', 'neg'),
. . .
        ('I am tired of this stuff.', 'neg'),
. . .
        ("I can't deal with this", 'neg'),
. . .
        ("My boss is horrible.", "neq")
. . .
. . . ]
>>> cl = NaiveBayesClassifier(train)
>>> cl.classify("I feel amazing!")
>>> blob = TextBlob("The beer is good. But the hangover is horrible.", classifier=cl)
>>> for s in blob.sentences:
       print(s)
       print(s.classify())
. . .
The beer is good.
But the hangover is horrible.
```

New in version 0.6.0.

Abstract classifier class from which all classifier inherit. At a minimum, descendant classes must implement a classify method and have a classifier property.

#### **Parameters**

- **train\_set** The training set, either a list of tuples of the form (text, classification) or a file-like object. text may be either a string or an iterable.
- **feature\_extractor** (callable) A feature extractor function that takes one or two arguments: document and train\_set.
- **format** (*str*) If train\_set is a filename, the file format, e.g. "csv" or "json". If None, will attempt to detect the file format.
- **kwargs** Additional keyword arguments are passed to the constructor of the *Format* class used to read the data. Only applies when a file-like object is passed as train\_set.

New in version 0.6.0.

#### classifier

The classifier object.

#### classify (text)

Classifies a string of text.

#### extract features(text)

Extracts features from a body of text.

**Return type** dictionary of features

# labels()

Returns an iterable containing the possible labels.

## train(labeled\_featureset)

Trains the classifier.

## class textblob.classifiers.DecisionTreeClassifier(train\_set,

fea-

ture\_extractor=<function basic\_extractor>, format=None,

\*\*kwargs)

A classifier based on the decision tree algorithm, as implemented in NLTK.

#### **Parameters**

- train\_set The training set, either a list of tuples of the form (text, classification) or a filename. text may be either a string or an iterable.
- **feature\_extractor** A feature extractor function that takes one or two arguments: document and train\_set.
- **format** If train\_set is a filename, the file format, e.g. "csv" or "json". If None, will attempt to detect the file format.

New in version 0.6.2.

## accuracy (test\_set, format=None)

Compute the accuracy on a test set.

#### **Parameters**

- test\_set A list of tuples of the form (text, label), or a file pointer.
- **format** If test\_set is a filename, the file format, e.g. "csv" or "json". If None, will attempt to detect the file format.

#### classifier

The classifier.

# classify(text)

Classifies the text.

**Parameters** text (str) – A string of text.

## extract\_features (text)

Extracts features from a body of text.

**Return type** dictionary of features

#### labels()

Return an iterable of possible labels.

## nltk\_class

alias of nltk.classify.decisiontree.DecisionTreeClassifier

```
pprint (*args, **kwargs)
```

Return a string containing a pretty-printed version of this decision tree. Each line in the string corresponds to a single decision tree node or leaf, and indentation is used to display the structure of the tree.

#### Return type str

```
pretty_format(*args, **kwargs)
```

Return a string containing a pretty-printed version of this decision tree. Each line in the string corresponds to a single decision tree node or leaf, and indentation is used to display the structure of the tree.

## Return type str

```
pseudocode (*args, **kwargs)
```

Return a string representation of this decision tree that expresses the decisions it makes as a nested set of pseudocode if statements.

#### Return type str

```
train(*args, **kwargs)
```

Train the classifier with a labeled feature set and return the classifier. Takes the same arguments as the wrapped NLTK class. This method is implicitly called when calling classify or accuracy methods and is included only to allow passing in arguments to the train method of the wrapped NLTK class.

New in version 0.6.2.

## Return type A classifier

```
update (new_data, *args, **kwargs)
```

Update the classifier with new training data and re-trains the classifier.

**Parameters new data** – New data as a list of tuples of the form (text, label).

```
class textblob.classifiers.MaxEntClassifier(train_set, feature_extractor=<function ba-
sic_extractor>, format=None, **kwargs)
```

A maximum entropy classifier (also known as a "conditional exponential classifier"). This classifier is parameterized by a set of "weights", which are used to combine the joint-features that are generated from a featureset by an "encoding". In particular, the encoding maps each (featureset, label) pair to a vector. The probability of each label is then computed using the following equation:

Where dotprod is the dot product:

```
dotprod(a,b) = sum(x*y for (x,y) in zip(a,b))
```

## accuracy (test\_set, format=None)

Compute the accuracy on a test set.

#### **Parameters**

- test\_set A list of tuples of the form (text, label), or a file pointer.
- **format** If test\_set is a filename, the file format, e.g. "csv" or "json". If None, will attempt to detect the file format.

#### classifier

The classifier.

#### classify (text)

Classifies the text.

**Parameters** text (str) – A string of text.

```
extract features (text)
```

Extracts features from a body of text.

**Return type** dictionary of features

#### labels()

Return an iterable of possible labels.

#### nltk class

```
alias of nltk.classify.maxent.MaxentClassifier
```

```
prob_classify(text)
```

Return the label probability distribution for classifying a string of text.

#### Example:

```
>>> classifier = MaxEntClassifier(train_data)
>>> prob_dist = classifier.prob_classify("I feel happy this morning.")
>>> prob_dist.max()
'positive'
>>> prob_dist.prob("positive")
0.7
```

## Return type nltk.probability.DictionaryProbDist

```
train(*args, **kwargs)
```

Train the classifier with a labeled feature set and return the classifier. Takes the same arguments as the wrapped NLTK class. This method is implicitly called when calling classify or accuracy methods and is included only to allow passing in arguments to the train method of the wrapped NLTK class.

New in version 0.6.2.

## **Return type** A classifier

```
update (new_data, *args, **kwargs)
```

Update the classifier with new training data and re-trains the classifier.

**Parameters** new\_data - New data as a list of tuples of the form (text, label).

An abstract class that wraps around the nltk.classify module.

Expects that descendant classes include a class variable nltk\_class which is the class in the nltk.classify module to be wrapped.

# Example:

```
class MyClassifier(NLTKClassifier):
   nltk_class = nltk.classify.svm.SvmClassifier
```

## accuracy (test\_set, format=None)

Compute the accuracy on a test set.

#### **Parameters**

- test\_set A list of tuples of the form (text, label), or a file pointer.
- format If test\_set is a filename, the file format, e.g. "csv" or "json". If None, will attempt to detect the file format.

#### classifier

The classifier.

#### classify (text)

Classifies the text.

**Parameters** text (str) – A string of text.

#### extract features (text)

Extracts features from a body of text.

**Return type** dictionary of features

#### labels()

Return an iterable of possible labels.

#### nltk class = None

The NLTK class to be wrapped. Must be a class within nltk.classify

```
train(*args, **kwargs)
```

Train the classifier with a labeled feature set and return the classifier. Takes the same arguments as the wrapped NLTK class. This method is implicitly called when calling classify or accuracy methods and is included only to allow passing in arguments to the train method of the wrapped NLTK class.

New in version 0.6.2.

#### Return type A classifier

```
update (new_data, *args, **kwargs)
```

Update the classifier with new training data and re-trains the classifier.

**Parameters** new\_data - New data as a list of tuples of the form (text, label).

A classifier based on the Naive Bayes algorithm, as implemented in NLTK.

#### **Parameters**

- train\_set The training set, either a list of tuples of the form (text, classification) or a filename. text may be either a string or an iterable.
- **feature\_extractor** A feature extractor function that takes one or two arguments: document and train\_set.
- format If train\_set is a filename, the file format, e.g. "csv" or "json". If None, will attempt to detect the file format.

New in version 0.6.0.

#### accuracy (test\_set, format=None)

Compute the accuracy on a test set.

## **Parameters**

- test\_set A list of tuples of the form (text, label), or a file pointer.
- **format** If test\_set is a filename, the file format, e.g. "csv" or "json". If None, will attempt to detect the file format.

#### classifier

The classifier.

#### classify(text)

Classifies the text.

**Parameters** text (str) – A string of text.

```
extract_features (text)
```

Extracts features from a body of text.

Return type dictionary of features

```
informative features (*args, **kwargs)
```

Return the most informative features as a list of tuples of the form (feature\_name, feature\_value).

#### **Return type** list

#### labels()

Return an iterable of possible labels.

#### nltk class

 $alias\ of\ nltk.classify.naivebayes.NaiveBayesClassifier$ 

# prob\_classify(text)

Return the label probability distribution for classifying a string of text.

#### Example:

```
>>> classifier = NaiveBayesClassifier(train_data)
>>> prob_dist = classifier.prob_classify("I feel happy this morning.")
>>> prob_dist.max()
'positive'
>>> prob_dist.prob("positive")
0.7
```

**Return type** nltk.probability.DictionaryProbDist

# show\_informative\_features(\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Displays a listing of the most informative features for this classifier.

## Return type None

```
train(*args, **kwargs)
```

Train the classifier with a labeled feature set and return the classifier. Takes the same arguments as the wrapped NLTK class. This method is implicitly called when calling classify or accuracy methods and is included only to allow passing in arguments to the train method of the wrapped NLTK class.

New in version 0.6.2.

## Return type A classifier

```
update (new_data, *args, **kwargs)
```

Update the classifier with new training data and re-trains the classifier.

**Parameters** new\_data - New data as a list of tuples of the form (text, label).

A variant of the Naive Bayes Classifier that performs binary classification with partially-labeled training sets, i.e. when only one class is labeled and the other is not. Assuming a prior distribution on the two labels, uses the unlabeled set to estimate the frequencies of the features.

#### Example usage:

```
>>> from text.classifiers import PositiveNaiveBayesClassifier
>>> sports_sentences = ['The team dominated the game',
                       'They lost the ball',
                       'The game was intense',
. . .
                       'The goalkeeper catched the ball',
. . .
                       'The other team controlled the ball']
>>> various_sentences = ['The President did not comment',
                            'I lost the keys',
                            'The team won the game',
. . .
                            'Sara has two kids',
. . .
                            'The ball went off the court',
. . .
                            'They had the ball for the whole game',
. . .
                            'The show is over']
>>> classifier = PositiveNaiveBayesClassifier(positive_set=sports_sentences,
                                                unlabeled_set=various_sentences)
>>> classifier.classify("My team lost the game")
>>> classifier.classify("And now for something completely different.")
False
```

#### **Parameters**

- **positive\_set** A collection of strings that have the positive label.
- unlabeled\_set A collection of unlabeled strings.
- **feature\_extractor** A feature extractor function.
- **positive\_prob\_prior** A prior estimate of the probability of the label True.

New in version 0.7.0.

```
accuracy (test_set, format=None)
```

Compute the accuracy on a test set.

## Parameters

- test\_set A list of tuples of the form (text, label), or a file pointer.
- **format** If test\_set is a filename, the file format, e.g. "csv" or "json". If None, will attempt to detect the file format.

#### classifier

The classifier.

# classify(text)

Classifies the text.

**Parameters** text (str) – A string of text.

#### extract\_features (text)

Extracts features from a body of text.

**Return type** dictionary of features

## labels()

Return an iterable of possible labels.

```
train(*args, **kwargs)
```

Train the classifier with a labeled and unlabeled feature sets and return the classifier. Takes the same arguments as the wrapped NLTK class. This method is implicitly called when calling classify or

accuracy methods and is included only to allow passing in arguments to the train method of the wrapped NLTK class.

## Return type A classifier

Update the classifier with new data and re-trains the classifier.

#### **Parameters**

- new\_positive\_data List of new, labeled strings.
- new\_unlabeled\_data List of new, unlabeled strings.

```
textblob.classifiers.basic_extractor(document, train_set)
```

A basic document feature extractor that returns a dict indicating what words in train\_set are contained in document.

#### **Parameters**

- **document** The text to extract features from. Can be a string or an iterable.
- train\_set (list) Training data set, a list of tuples of the form (words, label) OR an iterable of strings.

```
textblob.classifiers.contains_extractor(document)
```

A basic document feature extractor that returns a dict of words that the document contains.

#### 3.7.9 Blobber

```
class textblob.blob.Blobber (tokenizer=None, pos_tagger=None, np_extractor=None, analyzer=None, parser=None, classifier=None)
```

A factory for TextBlobs that all share the same tagger, tokenizer, parser, classifier, and np\_extractor.

# Usage:

```
>>> from textblob import Blobber
>>> from textblob.taggers import NLTKTagger
>>> from textblob.tokenizers import SentenceTokenizer
>>> tb = Blobber(pos_tagger=NLTKTagger(), tokenizer=SentenceTokenizer())
>>> blob1 = tb("This is one blob.")
>>> blob2 = tb("This blob has the same tagger and tokenizer.")
>>> blob1.pos_tagger is blob2.pos_tagger
True
```

#### **Parameters**

- tokenizer (optional) A tokenizer instance. If None, defaults to WordTokenizer ().
- np\_extractor (optional) An NPExtractor instance. If None, defaults to FastNPExtractor().
- pos\_tagger (optional) A Tagger instance. If None, defaults to NLTKTagger.
- analyzer (optional) A sentiment analyzer. If None, defaults to PatternAnalyzer.
- parser A parser. If None, defaults to PatternParser.
- classifier A classifier.

New in version 0.4.0.

## 3.7.10 File Formats

File formats for training and testing data.

Includes a registry of valid file formats. New file formats can be added to the registry like so:

```
from textblob import formats

class PipeDelimitedFormat (formats.DelimitedFormat):
    delimiter = '|'

formats.register('psv', PipeDelimitedFormat)
```

Once a format has been registered, classifiers will be able to read data files with that format.

```
from textblob.classifiers import NaiveBayesAnalyzer
with open('training_data.psv', 'r') as fp:
    cl = NaiveBayesAnalyzer(fp, format='psv')
```

```
class textblob.formats.BaseFormat (fp, **kwargs)
```

Interface for format classes. Individual formats can decide on the composition and meaning of \*\*kwargs.

```
Parameters fp (File) - A file-like object.
```

Changed in version 0.9.0: Constructor receives a file pointer rather than a file path.

```
classmethod detect(stream)
```

Detect the file format given a filename. Return True if a stream is this file format.

Changed in version 0.9.0: Changed from a static method to a class method.

```
to_iterable()
```

Return an iterable object from the data.

```
class textblob.formats.CSV(fp, **kwargs)
```

CSV format. Assumes each row is of the form text, label.

```
Today is a good day,pos
I hate this car.,pos
```

#### classmethod detect (stream)

Return True if stream is valid.

#### to\_iterable()

Return an iterable object from the data.

```
class textblob.formats.DelimitedFormat (fp, **kwargs)
    A general character-delimited format.

classmethod detect (stream)
    Return True if stream is valid.

to_iterable()
```

Return an iterable object from the data.

```
class textblob.formats.JSON (fp, **kwargs)
JSON format.
```

Assumes that JSON is formatted as an array of objects with text and label properties.

```
[
     {"text": "Today is a good day.", "label": "pos"},
     {"text": "I hate this car.", "label": "neg"}
]
```

# classmethod detect(stream)

Return True if stream is valid JSON.

#### to\_iterable()

Return an iterable object from the JSON data.

```
class textblob.formats.TSV (fp, **kwargs)
```

TSV format. Assumes each row is of the form text label.

#### classmethod detect(stream)

Return True if stream is valid.

# to\_iterable()

Return an iterable object from the data.

```
textblob.formats.detect(fp, max_read=1024)
```

Attempt to detect a file's format, trying each of the supported formats. Return the format class that was detected. If no format is detected, return None.

```
textblob.formats.get_registry()
```

Return a dictionary of registered formats.

```
textblob.formats.register(name, format_class)
```

Register a new format.

#### **Parameters**

- name (str) The name that will be used to refer to the format, e.g. 'csv'
- **format\_class** (type) The format class to register.

# **3.7.11 Wordnet**

# 3.7.12 Exceptions

```
exception textblob.exceptions.TextBlobError
A TextBlob-related error.
```

 $\textbf{exception} \ \ \textbf{textblob.exceptions.} \\ \textbf{MissingCorpusError} \ (\textit{message="nLooks} \quad \textit{like} \quad \textit{you} \quad \textit{are} \\ \\ \textbf{message="nLooks} \quad \textbf{message="nLooks"} \quad \textbf{message="nLooks"}$ 

missing some required data for this feature.nnTo download the necessary data, simply runnn python -m textblob.download\_corporannor use the NLTK downloader to download the missing data: http://nltk.org/data.htmlnIf this doesn't fix the problem, file an issue at https://github.com/sloria/TextBlob/issues.n", \*args, \*\*kwargs)

Exception thrown when a user tries to use a feature that requires a dataset or model that the user does not have on their system.

## exception textblob.exceptions.DeprecationError

Raised when user uses a deprecated feature.

## exception textblob.exceptions.TranslatorError

Raised when an error occurs during language translation or detection.

#### exception textblob.exceptions.NotTranslated

Raised when text is unchanged after translation. This may be due to the language being unsupported by the translator.

## exception textblob.exceptions.FormatError

Raised if a data file with an unsupported format is passed to a classifier.

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Project info

# 4.1 Changelog

# 4.1.1 0.16.0 (2020-04-26)

# Deprecations:

• TextBlob.translate() and TextBlob.detect\_language are deprecated. Use the official Google Translate API instead (#215).

#### Other changes:

- Backwards-incompatible: Drop support for Python 3.4.
- Test against Python 3.7 and Python 3.8.
- Pin NLTK to nltk<3.5 on Python 2 (#315).

# 4.1.2 0.15.3 (2019-02-24)

# Bug fixes:

• Fix bug when Word string type after pos\_tags is not a str (#255). Thanks @roman-y-korolev for the patch.

# 4.1.3 0.15.2 (2018-11-21)

# Bug fixes:

- Fix bug that raised a RuntimeError when executing methods that delegate to pattern.en (#230). Thanks @vvaezian for the report and thanks @danong for the fix.
- Fix methods of WordList that modified the list in-place by removing the internal \_collection variable (#235). Thanks @jammmo for the PR.

# 4.1.4 0.15.1 (2018-01-20)

#### Bug fixes:

• Convert POS tags from treebank to wordnet when calling lemmatize to prevent MissingCorpusError (#160). Thanks @jschnurr.

# 4.1.5 0.15.0 (2017-12-02)

# Features:

• Add TextBlob.sentiment\_assessments property which exposes pattern's sentiment assessments (#170). Thanks @jeffakolb.

# 4.1.6 0.14.0 (2017-11-20)

# Features:

• Use specified tokenizer when tagging (#167). Thanks @jschnurr for the PR.

# 4.1.7 0.13.1 (2017-11-11)

#### Bug fixes:

- Avoid AttributeError when using pattern's sentiment analyzer (#178). Thanks @tylerjharden for the catch and patch.
- Correctly pass format argument to NLTKClassifier.accuracy (#177). Thanks @pavelmalai for the catch and patch.

# 4.1.8 0.13.0 (2017-08-15)

## Features:

• Performance improvements to NaiveBayesClassifier (#63, #77, #123). Thanks @jcalbert for the PR.

# 4.1.9 0.12.0 (2017-02-27)

#### Features:

• Add Word.stem and WordList.stem methods (#145). Thanks @nitkul.

#### Bug fixes:

• Fix translation and language detection (#137). Thanks @EpicJhon for the fix.

## Changes:

• Backwards-incompatible: Remove Python 2.6 and 3.3 support.

# 4.1.10 0.11.1 (2016-02-17)

#### Bug fixes:

• Fix translation and language detection (#115, #117, #119). Thanks @AdrianLC and @jschnurr for the fix. Thanks @AdrianLC, @edgaralts, and @pouya-cognitiv for reporting.

# 4.1.11 0.11.0 (2015-11-01)

#### Changes:

- Compatible with nltk>=3.1. NLTK versions < 3.1 are no longer supported.
- Change default tagger to NLTKTagger (uses NLTK's averaged perceptron tagger).
- Tested on Python 3.5.

#### Bug fixes:

- Fix singularization of a number of words. Thanks @jonmcoe.
- Fix spelling correction when nltk>=3.1 is installed (#99). Thanks @shubham12101 for reporting.

# 4.1.12 0.10.0 (2015-10-04)

## Changes:

• Unchanged text is now considered a translation error. Raises NotTranslated (#76). Thanks @jschnurr.

#### Bug fixes:

- Translator.translate will detect language of input text by default (#85). Thanks again @jschnurr.
- Fix matching of tagged phrases with CFG in ConllExtractor. Thanks @lragnarsson.
- Fix inflection of a few irregular English nouns. Thanks @jonmcoe.

# 4.1.13 0.9.1 (2015-06-10)

# Bug fixes:

- Fix DecisionTreeClassifier.pprint for compatibility with nltk>=3.0.2.
- Translation no longer adds erroneous whitespace around punctuation characters (#83). Thanks @AdrianLC for reporting and thanks @jschnurr for the patch.

# 4.1.14 0.9.0 (2014-09-15)

- TextBlob now depends on NLTK 3. The vendorized version of NLTK has been removed.
- Fix bug that raised a SyntaxError when translating text with non-ascii characters on Python 3.
- Fix bug that showed "double-escaped" unicode characters in translator output (issue #56). Thanks Evan Dempsey.
- Backwards-incompatible: Completely remove import text.blob. You should import textblob instead.

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- Backwards-incompatible: Completely remove PerceptronTagger. Install textblob-aptagger instead.
- Backwards-incompatible: Rename TextBlobException to TextBlobError and MissingCorpusException to MissingCorpusError.
- Backwards-incompatible: Format classes are passed a file object rather than a file path.
- Backwards-incompatible: If training a classifier with data from a file, you must pass a file object (rather than a file path).
- Updated English sentiment corpus.
- Add feature\_extractor parameter to NaiveBayesAnalyzer.
- Add textblob.formats.get\_registry() and textblob.formats.register() which allows users to register custom data source formats.
- Change BaseClassifier.detect from a staticmethod to a classmethod.
- · Improved docs.
- Tested on Python 3.4.

# 4.1.15 0.8.4 (2014-02-02)

- Fix display (\_\_repr\_\_) of WordList slices on Python 3.
- Add download\_corpora module. Corpora must now be downloaded using python -m textblob. download\_corpora.

# 4.1.16 0.8.3 (2013-12-29)

- Sentiment analyzers return namedtuples, e.g. Sentiment (polarity=0.12, subjectivity=0.34).
- Memory usage improvements to NaiveBayesAnalyzer and basic\_extractor (default feature extractor for classifiers module).
- Add textblob.tokenizers.sent\_tokenize and textblob.tokenizers.word\_tokenize convenience functions.
- Add textblob.classifiers.MaxEntClassifer.
- Improved NLTKTagger.

# 4.1.17 0.8.2 (2013-12-21)

- Fix bug in spelling correction that stripped some punctuation (Issue #48).
- Various improvements to spelling correction: preserves whitespace characters (Issue #12); handle contractions and punctuation between words. Thanks @davidnk.
- Make TextBlob.words more memory-efficient.
- Translator now sends POST instead of GET requests. This allows for larger bodies of text to be translated (Issue #49).
- Update pattern tagger for better accuracy.

# 4.1.18 0.8.1 (2013-11-16)

- Fix bug that caused ValueError upon sentence tokenization. This removes modifications made to the NLTK sentence tokenizer.
- Add Word.lemmatize() method that allows passing in a part-of-speech argument.
- Word.lemma returns correct part of speech for Word objects that have their pos attribute set. Thanks @Roman Yankovsky.

# 4.1.19 0.8.0 (2013-10-23)

- Backwards-incompatible: Renamed package to textblob. This avoids clashes with other namespaces called text. TextBlob should now be imported with from textblob import TextBlob.
- Update pattern resources for improved parser accuracy.
- Update NLTK.
- Allow Translator to connect to proxy server.
- PerceptronTagger completely deprecated. Install the textblob-aptagger extension instead.

# 4.1.20 0.7.1 (2013-09-30)

- · Bugfix updates.
- Fix bug in feature extraction for NaiveBayesClassifier.
- basic\_extractor is now case-sensitive, e.g. contains(I) != contains(i)
- Fix repr output when a TextBlob contains non-ascii characters.
- Fix part-of-speech tagging with PatternTagger on Windows.
- Suppress warning about not having scikit-learn installed.

# 4.1.21 0.7.0 (2013-09-25)

- Wordnet integration. Word objects have synsets and definitions properties. The text.wordnet module allows you to create Synset and Lemma objects directly.
- Move all English-specific code to its own module, text.en.
- Basic extensions framework in place. TextBlob has been refactored to make it easier to develop extensions.
- Add text.classifiers.PositiveNaiveBayesClassifier.
- Update NLTK.
- NLTKTagger now working on Python 3.
- Fix \_\_str\_\_ behavior. print (blob) should now print non-ascii text correctly in both Python 2 and 3.
- Backwards-incompatible: All abstract base classes have been moved to the text.base module.
- Backwards-incompatible: PerceptronTagger will now be maintained as an extension, textblob-aptagger. Instantiating a text.taggers.PerceptronTagger() will raise a DeprecationWarning.

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# 4.1.22 0.6.3 (2013-09-15)

- Word tokenization fix: Words that stem from a contraction will still have an apostrophe, e.g. "Let's" => ["Let", "'s"].
- Fix bug with comparing blobs to strings.
- Add text.taggers.PerceptronTagger, a fast and accurate POS tagger. Thanks @syllog1sm.
- Note for Python 3 users: You may need to update your corpora, since NLTK master has reorganized its corpus system. Just run curl https://raw.github.com/sloria/TextBlob/master/download\_corpora.py | python again.
- Add download\_corpora\_lite.py script for getting the minimum corpora requirements for TextBlob's basic features.

# 4.1.23 0.6.2 (2013-09-05)

- Fix bug that resulted in a UnicodeEncodeError when tagging text with non-ascii characters.
- Add DecisionTreeClassifier.
- Add labels () and train () methods to classifiers.

# 4.1.24 0.6.1 (2013-09-01)

- Classifiers can be trained and tested on CSV, JSON, or TSV data.
- Add basic WordNet lemmatization via the Word.lemma property.
- WordList.pluralize() and WordList.singularize() methods return WordList objects.

# 4.1.25 0.6.0 (2013-08-25)

- Add Naive Bayes classification. New text.classifiers module, TextBlob.classify(), and Sentence.classify() methods.
- Add parsing functionality via the TextBlob.parse() method. The text.parsers module currently has one implementation (PatternParser).
- Add spelling correction. This includes the TextBlob.correct() and Word.spellcheck() methods.
- Update NLTK.
- Backwards incompatible: clean\_html has been deprecated, just as it has in NLTK. Use Beautiful Soup's soup.get\_text() method for HTML-cleaning instead.
- Slight API change to language translation: if from\_lang isn't specified, attempts to detect the language.
- Add itokenize () method to tokenizers that returns a generator instead of a list of tokens.

# 4.1.26 0.5.3 (2013-08-21)

- Unicode fixes: This fixes a bug that sometimes raised a UnicodeEncodeError upon creating accessing sentences for TextBlobs with non-ascii characters.
- Update NLTK

# 4.1.27 0.5.2 (2013-08-14)

- Important patch update for NLTK users: Fix bug with importing TextBlob if local NLTK is installed.
- Fix bug with computing start and end indices of sentences.

# 4.1.28 0.5.1 (2013-08-13)

- Fix bug that disallowed display of non-ascii characters in the Python REPL.
- Backwards incompatible: Restore blob.json property for backwards compatibility with textblob<=0.3.10. Add a to\_json() method that takes the same arguments as json.dumps.
- Add WordList.append and WordList.extend methods that append Word objects.

# 4.1.29 0.5.0 (2013-08-10)

- Language translation and detection API!
- Add text.sentiments module. Contains the PatternAnalyzer (default implementation) as well as a NaiveBayesAnalyzer.
- Part-of-speech tags can be accessed via TextBlob.tags or TextBlob.pos\_tags.
- Add polarity and subjectivity helper properties.

# 4.1.30 0.4.0 (2013-08-05)

- New text.tokenizers module with WordTokenizer and SentenceTokenizer. Tokenizer instances (from either textblob itself or NLTK) can be passed to TextBlob's constructor. Tokens are accessed through the new tokens property.
- New Blobber class for creating TextBlobs that share the same tagger, tokenizer, and np\_extractor.
- Add ngrams method.
- Backwards-incompatible: TextBlob.json() is now a method, not a property. This allows you to pass arguments (the same that you would pass to json.dumps()).
- New home for documentation: https://textblob.readthedocs.io/
- Add parameter for cleaning HTML markup from text.
- Minor improvement to word tokenization.
- · Updated NLTK.
- Fix bug with adding blobs to bytestrings.

# 4.1.31 0.3.10 (2013-08-02)

- Bundled NLTK no longer overrides local installation.
- Fix sentiment analysis of text with non-ascii characters.

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# 4.1.32 0.3.9 (2013-07-31)

- · Updated nltk.
- ConllExtractor is now Python 3-compatible.
- Improved sentiment analysis.
- Blobs are equal (with ==) to their string counterparts.
- Added instructions to install textblob without nltk bundled.
- Dropping official 3.1 and 3.2 support.

# 4.1.33 0.3.8 (2013-07-30)

- Importing TextBlob is now **much faster**. This is because the noun phrase parsers are trained only on the first call to noun\_phrases (instead of training them every time you import TextBlob).
- Add text.taggers module which allows user to change which POS tagger implementation to use. Currently supports PatternTagger and NLTKTagger (NLTKTagger only works with Python 2).
- NPExtractor and Tagger objects can be passed to TextBlob's constructor.
- Fix bug with POS-tagger not tagging one-letter words.
- Rename text/np\_extractor.py -> text/np\_extractors.py
- Add run\_tests.py script.

# 4.1.34 0.3.7 (2013-07-28)

- Every word in a Blob or Sentence is a Word instance which has methods for inflection, e.g word. pluralize() and word.singularize().
- Updated the np\_extractor module. Now has an new implementation, ConllExtractor that uses the Conll2000 chunking corpus. Only works on Py2.

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# 4.3 Contributing guidelines

#### 4.3.1 In General

- PEP 8, when sensible.
- Conventions and configuration.
- TextBlob wraps functionality in NLTK and pattern.en. Anything outside of that should be written as an extension.
- Test ruthlessly. Write docs for new features.
- Even more important than Test-Driven Development-Human-Driven Development.
- These guidelines may-and probably will-change.

## 4.3.2 In Particular

## Questions, Feature Requests, Bug Reports, and Feedback...

... should all be reported on the Github Issue Tracker .

# **Setting Up for Local Development**

1. Fork TextBlob on Github.

```
$ git clone https://github.com/sloria/TextBlob.git
$ cd TextBlob
```

2. Install development requirements. It is highly recommended that you use a virtualenv.

```
# After activating your virtualenv
$ pip install -r dev-requirements.txt
```

3. Install TextBlob in develop mode.

```
$ python setup.py develop
```

## **Developing Extensions**

Extensions are packages with the name textblob-something, where "something" is the name of your extension. Extensions should be imported with import textblob\_something.

#### **Model Extensions**

To create a new extension for a part-of-speech tagger, sentiment analyzer, noun phrase extractor, classifier, tokenizer, or parser, simply create a module that has a class that implements the correct interface from textblob.base. For example, a tagger might look like this:

```
from textblob.base import BaseTagger

class MyTagger(BaseTagger):
    def tag(self, text):
        # Your implementation goes here
```

## **Language Extensions**

The process for developing language extensions is the same as developing model extensions. Create your part-of-speech taggers, tokenizers, parsers, etc. in the language of your choice. Packages should be named textblob-xx where "xx" is the two- or three-letter language code (Language code reference).

To see examples of existing extensions, visit the *Extensions* page.

Check out the API reference for more info on the model interfaces.

#### **Git Branch Structure**

TextBlob loosely follows Vincent Driessen's Successful Git Branching Model . In practice, the following branch conventions are used:

**dev** The next release branch.

master Current production release on PyPI.

#### **Pull Requests**

1. Create a new local branch.

```
$ git checkout -b name-of-feature
```

2. Commit your changes. Write good commit messages.

```
$ git commit -m "Detailed commit message"
$ git push origin name-of-feature
```

- 3. Before submitting a pull request, check the following:
- If the pull request adds functionality, it is tested and the docs are updated.
- If you've developed an extension, it is on the *Extensions List*.
- The pull request works on Python 2.7, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, and PyPy. Use tox to verify that it does.
- You've added yourself to AUTHORS.rst.
- 4. Submit a pull request to the sloria: dev branch.

# **Running tests**

To run all the tests:

```
$ python run_tests.py
```

To skip slow tests:

```
$ python run_tests.py fast
```

To skip tests that require internet:

```
$ python run_tests.py no-internet
```

To get test coverage reports (must have coverage installed):

```
$ python run_tests.py cover
```

To run tests on Python 2.7, 3.4, 3.5, and 3.6 virtual environments (must have each interpreter installed):

```
$ tox
```

#### **Documentation**

Contributions to the documentation are welcome. Documentation is written in reStructured Text (rST). A quick rST reference can be found here. Builds are powered by Sphinx.

To build docs:

```
$ invoke docs -b
```

The -b (for "browse") automatically opens up the docs in your browser after building.

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