Python Code for QSS Chapter 5: Discovery

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Section 5.1: Textual Data

Section 5.1.1: The Disputed Authorship of 'The Federalist Papers'

Importing textual data into a DataFrame

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[]: import pandas as pd
     import numpy as np
     import glob
     # Get a list of all txt files in the federalist directory
     file_paths = glob.glob('federalist/*.txt')
     # Create an empty list
     file_contents = []
     # Read txt files into the empty list
     for file in file_paths:
         # with: open and close file automatically
         # open(file, 'r'): open file in read mode
         # assign opened file to f
         with open(file, 'r') as f:
             file_contents.append(f.read())
     # Take a look at the first 100 characters of essay number 10
     file_contents[9][:100]
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[]: 'AMONG the numerous advantages promised by a well-constructed Union, none \n deserves to be mor'

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jay = list(range(2,6)) + [64]

joint = [18, 19, 20] # Madison and Hamilton

# store conditions for authorship
conditions = [
    federalist['fed_num'].isin(hamilton),
    federalist['fed_num'].isin(madison),
    federalist['fed_num'].isin(jay),
    federalist['fed_num'].isin(joint)
]

choices = ['Hamilton', 'Madison', 'Jay', 'Joint']

# populate the author column; assign 'Disputed' to unassigned essays
federalist['author'] = np.select(conditions, choices, 'Disputed')
federalist
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[]:
         fed num
                    author
                                                                           text
     0
                  Hamilton AFTER an unequivocal experience of the ineffic...
     1
               2
                       Jay WHEN the people of America reflect that they a...
               3
                       Jay IT IS not a new observation that the people of ...
     2
     3
               4
                       Jay MY LAST paper assigned several reasons why the...
               5
                            QUEEN ANNE, in her letter of the 1st July, 170...
                       Jay
     80
              81 Hamilton LET US now return to the partition of the judi...
                  Hamilton THE erection of a new government, whatever car...
     81
     82
              83 Hamilton THE objection to the plan of the convention, w...
              84 Hamilton IN THE course of the foregoing review of the C...
     83
              85 Hamilton ACCORDING to the formal division of the subjec...
     [85 rows x 3 columns]
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[]: federalist['author'].value_counts()
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[]: author

Hamilton 51

Madison 15

Disputed 11

Jay 5

Joint 3

Name: count, dtype: int64
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Pre-processing textual data

```
[]: import re # regular expressions
     import string # string manipulation
     import nltk # natural language toolkit
     # Pre-process the text using regular expressions, list comprehensions, apply()
     # make lower case and remove punctuation
     federalist['text_processed'] = (
         federalist['text'].apply(lambda x: "".join(
             [word.lower() for word in x if word not in string.punctuation])
         )
     )
     federalist[['text', 'text_processed']].head()
[]:
                                                     text \
     O AFTER an unequivocal experience of the ineffic...
     1 WHEN the people of America reflect that they a...
     2 IT IS not a new observation that the people of...
     3 MY LAST paper assigned several reasons why the...
     4 QUEEN ANNE, in her letter of the 1st July, 170...
                                           text processed
     O after an unequivocal experience of the ineffic...
     1 when the people of america reflect that they a...
     2 it is not a new observation that the people of...
     3 my last paper assigned several reasons why the...
     4 queen anne in her letter of the 1st july 1706 ...
[]: # download stopwords: only need to run once
     # nltk.download('stopwords')
     # save and inspect stopwords
     stopwords = nltk.corpus.stopwords.words('english')
     stopwords[:10]
[]: ['i', 'me', 'my', 'myself', 'we', 'our', 'ours', 'ourselves', 'you', "you're"]
[]: # instantiate the Porter stemmer to stem the words
     ps = nltk.PorterStemmer()
     It is more efficient to define a function to apply to the text column than to
     use a lambda function for every step.
     def preprocess_text(text):
         # make lower case
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text = text.lower()
         # remove punctuation
         text = "".join([word for word in text if word not in string.punctuation])
         # remove numbers
         text = re.sub('[0-9]+', '', text)
         # create a list of individual tokens, removing whitespace
         tokens = re.split('\W+', text)
         # remove stopwords
         tokens = [word for word in tokens if word not in stopwords]
         # finally, stem each word
         tokens = [ps.stem(word) for word in tokens]
         return tokens
     # apply function to the text column; no need for lambda with a named function
     federalist['text_processed'] = federalist['text'].apply(preprocess_text)
     federalist[['text', 'text_processed']].head()
[]:
                                                     text \
    O AFTER an unequivocal experience of the ineffic...
     1 WHEN the people of America reflect that they a...
     2 IT IS not a new observation that the people of...
     3 MY LAST paper assigned several reasons why the...
     4 QUEEN ANNE, in her letter of the 1st July, 170...
                                           text_processed
    O [unequivoc, experi, ineffici, subsist, feder, ...
     1 [peopl, america, reflect, call, upon, decid, q...
     2 [new, observ, peopl, countri, like, american, ...
     3 [last, paper, assign, sever, reason, safeti, p...
     4 [queen, ann, letter, st, juli, scotch, parliam...
[]: # each element of the text_processed column is a list of tokens
     type(federalist['text_processed'][0])
[]: list
[]: # compare the pre-processed text to the original text for essay number 10
     federalist['text_processed'][9][:15]
[]: ['among',
      'numer',
      'advantag',
      'promis',
      'wellconstruct',
      'union',
      'none',
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'deserv',
'accur',
'develop',
'tendenc',
'break',
'control',
'violenc',
'faction']

[]: federalist['text'][9][:100]

[]: 'AMONG the numerous advantages promised by a well-constructed Union, none \n
deserves to be mor'
```

Section 5.1.2: Document-Term Matrix

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