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Corpus Assignment

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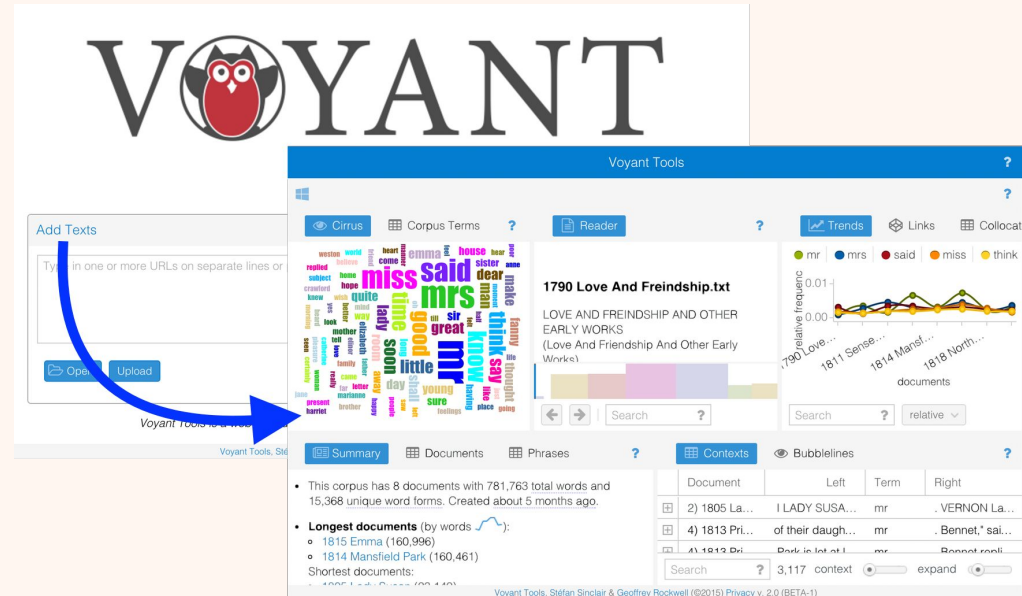جامعة نيويورك أبوظبي
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Introduction

Jane Austen, an iconic literary figure, offers a nuanced exploration of Regency-era society and human relationships. This project uses digital tools to delve into the thematic and narrative depths of her works.

Voyant tools

For this Assignment, my goal was to gain insights into Austen's themes and character dynamics using digital textual analysis.

Tools used in my project:
Word Clouds, TermRadio, and Dreamscape.

Key Findings

Sense and Sensibility: Focus on family dynamics and societal roles, highlighted by terms like "family," "Elinor," and "Marianne."

Emma: Examines personal growth and social meddling, with prevalent terms like "Emma," "marriage," and "friend."

Persuasion: Explores themes of love and redemption, key terms include "Anne," "Captain," and "persuasion."

Word clouds

Insights and Conclusions

Character Dynamics
Each work showcases distinctive character interactions reflecting societal norms of the Regency era.

Social Commentary and Satire
Austen critiques class, marriage, and family expectations, as seen in "Persuasion," where personal desires clash with societal pressures.

Themes of Love and Relationships
Love, marriage, and second chances remain central themes across all three novels.

Language Patterns and Frequency
Word clouds reveal character prominence, thematic terms, and hidden trends, offering insights into Austen's writing.

Reflection

- I really enjoyed this assignment because it gave me the chance to research interesting works by Jane Austen, uncovering new insights I never thought of before. It was fun to visualize the language itself, analyzing every word and phrase to understand the novels more deeply.
- Visualization is a strong tool that helped me detect patterns and see the novels from different perspectives.
- Voyant Tools became a valuable resource for this analysis, and I hope to use it for many more works in the future.

Thank you!