# quanteda

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Description A package for the management and quantitative analysis of textual data with R. quanteda makes it easy to manage texts in the form of a corpus, defined as a collection of texts that includes document-level variables specific to each text, as well as meta-data for documents and for the collection as a whole. quanteda includes tools to make it easy and fast to manuipulate the texts the texts in a corpus, for instance by tokenizine them, with or without stopwords or stemming, or to segment them by sentence or paragraph units. quanteda includes a suite of sophisticated tools to extract features of the texts into a quantitative matrix, where these features can be defined according to a dictionary or thesaurus, including the declaration of collocations to be treated as single features. Once converted into a quantitative matrix (known as a ``dfm" for document-feature matrix), the textual features can be analyzed using quantitative methods for describing, comparing, or scaling texts, or topic modelling, or used to train machine learning methods for class prediction.

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quanteda-package

An R package for the quantitative analysis of textual data.

# Description

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

More detailed description, and some examples, to go here.

### Author(s)

Ken Benoit and Paul Nulty

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### **Description**

Create bigrams

### Usage

```
bigrams(text, window = 1, concatenator = "_", include.unigrams = FALSE,
  ignoredFeatures = NULL, skipGrams = FALSE, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

text character vector containing the texts from which bigrams will be constructed

window how many words to be counted for adjacency. Default is 1 for only immediately

neighbouring words. This is only available for bigrams, not for ngrams.

concatenator character for combining words, default is \_ (underscore) character

include.unigrams

if TRUE, return unigrams as well

ignoredFeatures

a character vector of features to ignore

skipGrams If FALSE (default), remove any bigram containing a feature listed in ignoredFeatures,

otherwise, first remove the features in ignoredFeatures, and then create bigrams. This means that some "bigrams" will actually not occur as adjacent

features in the original text. See examples.

... provides additional arguments passed to tokenize

# Value

a character vector of bigrams

### Author(s)

Ken Benoit and Kohei Watanabe

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changeunits

change the document units of a corpus

### **Description**

For a corpus, recast the documents down or up a level of aggregation. "Down" would mean going from documents to sentences, for instance. "Up" means from sentences back to documents. This makes it easy to reshape a corpus from a collection of documents into a collection of sentences, for instance.

# Usage

```
changeunits(corp, to = c("sentences", "paragraphs", "documents"), ...)
```

### Arguments

```
corp corpus whose document units will be reshaped to new documents units for the corpus to be recast in passes additional arguments to segment
```

### **Examples**

```
# simple example
mycorpus <- corpus(c(textone="This is a sentence. Another sentence. Yet another.",
                     textwo="Premiere phrase."),
                   docvars=list(country=c("UK", "USA"), year=c(1990, 2000)),
                   notes="This is a simple example to show how changeunits() works.")
language(mycorpus) <- c("english", "french")</pre>
summary(mycorpus)
summary(changeunits(mycorpus, to="sentences"), showmeta=TRUE)
# example with inaugural corpus speeches
mycorpus2 <- subset(inaugCorpus, Year>2004)
mycorpus2
paragCorpus <- changeunits(mycorpus2, to="paragraphs")</pre>
paragCorpus
summary(paragCorpus, 100, showmeta=TRUE)
## Note that Bush 2005 is recorded as a single paragraph because that text used a single
## \n to mark the end of a paragraph.
```

clean

simple cleaning of text before processing

### **Description**

clean removes punctuation and digits from text, using the regex character classes for punctuation and digits. clean uses the standard R function tolower to convert the text to lower case. Each of these steps is optional, but switched on by default, so for example, to remove punctuation and convert to lower, but keep digits, the command would be: clean(mytexts, removeDigits=FALSE)

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#### **Usage**

```
clean(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
clean(x, removeDigits = TRUE, removePunct = TRUE,
   toLower = TRUE, removeAdditional = NULL, removeTwitter = FALSE,
   removeURL = TRUE, ...)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
clean(x, removeDigits = TRUE, removePunct = TRUE,
   toLower = TRUE, removeAdditional = NULL, removeTwitter = FALSE, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

x The object to be cleaned. Can be either a character vector or a corpus object. If

x is a corpus, clean returns the corpus containing the cleaned texts.

... additional parameters

removeDigits remove numbers if TRUE

removePunct remove punctuation if TRUE

toLower convert text to lower case TRUE

removeAdditional

additional characters to remove (regular expression)

removeTwitter if FALSE, do not remove @ or #

removeURL removes URLs (web addresses starting with http: or https:), based on a

regular expression from http://daringfireball.net/2010/07/improved\_

regex\_for\_matching\_urls

#### Value

A character vector equal in length to the original texts, after cleaning.

collocations

collocations

Detect collocations from text

### **Description**

Detects collocations (currently, bigrams and trigrams) from texts or a corpus, returning a data.frame of collocations and their scores, sorted in descending order of the association measure.

### Usage

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

### **Arguments**

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

... additional parameters passed to clean

method

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

"all" returns all of the above

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

implemented so far.

the number of collocations to return, sorted in descending order of the requested statistic, or  $G^2$  if none is specified.

### Value

n

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

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#### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit

#### References

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

#### See Also

bigrams, ngrams

### **Examples**

```
collocations(inaugTexts, n=10)
collocations(inaugCorpus, method="all", n=10)
collocations(inaugTexts, size=3, n=10)
collocations(inaugCorpus, method="all", size=3, n=10)
```

convert

convert a dfm to a non-quanteda format

### **Description**

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

# Usage

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```
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
dfm2ldaformat(x)
quantedaformat2dtm(x)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
quantedaformat2dtm(x)
```

### **Arguments**

x dfm to be converted

to target conversion format, consisting of the name of the package into whose

document-term matrix representation the dfm will be converted:

"lda" a list with components "documents" and "vocab" as needed by lda.collapsed.gibbs.sampler from the **lda** package

"tm" a DocumentTermMatrix from the tm package

"stm" the format for the stm package

"austin" the wfm format from the austin package

"topicmodels" the "dtm" format as used by the topicmodels package

... not used here

#### **Details**

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

as . Document Term Matrix will convert a quanted a dfm into the dfm package's dfm Document Term Matrix format.

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

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

### Value

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

For individual converters in the foreign package idioms, return values are:

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

#### Note

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

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#### **Examples**

```
mycorpus <- subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1970)
quantdfm <- dfm(mycorpus, verbose=FALSE)</pre>
# austin's wfm format
austindfm <- as.wfm(quantdfm)</pre>
identical(austindfm, convert(quantdfm, to="austin"))
## Not run: wftest <- austin::wordfish(austindfm)
# tm's DocumentTermMatrix format
tmdfm <- as.DocumentTermMatrix(quantdfm)</pre>
str(tmdfm)
# stm package format
stmdfm <- convert(quantdfm, to="stm")</pre>
str(stmdfm)
# topicmodels package format
topicmodelsdfm <- quantedaformat2dtm(quantdfm)</pre>
identical(topicmodelsdfm, convert(quantdfm, to="topicmodels"))
# lda package format
ldadfm <- convert(quantdfm, to="lda")</pre>
str(ldadfm)
identical(ldadfm, stmdfm[1:2])
# calling dfm2ldaformat directly
ldadfm <- dfm2ldaformat(quantdfm)</pre>
str(ldadfm)
```

corpus

constructor for corpus objects

### **Description**

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

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

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

### Usage

```
corpus(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
corpus(x, enc = NULL, docnames = NULL, docvars = NULL,
    source = NULL, notes = NULL, citation = NULL, ...)
```

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```
## S3 method for class 'corpusSource'
corpus(x, enc = NULL, notes = NULL,
    citation = NULL, ...)

## S3 method for class 'VCorpus'
corpus(x, enc = NULL, notes = NULL, citation = NULL,
    ...)

is.corpus(x)

## S3 method for class 'corpus'
c1 + c2
```

#### **Arguments**

a source of texts to form the documents in the corpus, a character vector or a

corpusSource-class object created using textfile.

... additional arguments

enc A string specifying the input encoding for texts in the corpus. Must be a valid

entry in iconvlist(), since the code in corpus.character will convert this to UTF-8 using iconv. Currently only one input encoding can be specified for a collection of input texts, meaning that you should not mix input text encoding

types in a single corpus call.

docnames Names to be assigned to the texts, defaults to the names of the character vector

(if any), otherwise assigns "text1", "text2", etc.

docvars A data frame of attributes that is associated with each text.

Source A string specifying the source of the texts, used for referencing.

notes A string containing notes about who created the text, warnings, To Dos, etc.

citation Information on how to cite the corpus.

c1 corpus one to be added c2 corpus two to be added

### **Details**

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

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

#### Value

A corpus class object containing the original texts, document-level variables, document-level metadata, corpus-level metadata, and default settings for subsequent processing of the corpus. A corpus consists of a list of elements described below, although these should only be accessed through accessor and replacement functions, not directly (since the internals may be subject to change). The structure of a corpus classed list object is:

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\$documents A data frame containing the document level information, consisting of texts, user-named docvars variables describing attributes of the documents, and metadoc document-level metadata whose names begin with an underscore character, such as \_language. A named list set of corpus-level meta-data, including source and created (both \$metadata generated automatically unless assigned), notes, and citation. Settings for the corpus which record options that govern the subsequent process-\$settings ing of the corpus when it is converted into a document-feature matrix (dfm). See

settings.

\$tokens An indexed list of tokens and types tabulated by document, including informa-

tion on positions. Not yet fully implemented.

is. corpus returns TRUE if the object is a corpus

#### Note

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

### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit and Paul Nulty

### See Also

docvars, metadoc, metacorpus, language, encoding, settings, texts

```
# create a corpus from texts
corpus(inaugTexts)
# create a corpus from texts and assign meta-data and document variables
ukimmigCorpus <- corpus(ukimmigTexts,</pre>
                             docvars=data.frame(party=names(ukimmigTexts)),
                             enc="UTF-8")
# the fifth column of this csv file is the text field
mytexts <- textfile("http://www.kenbenoit.net/files/text_example.csv", textField=5)</pre>
str(mytexts)
mycorp <- corpus(mytexts)</pre>
mycorp2 <- corpus(textfile("http://www.kenbenoit.net/files/text_example.csv", textField="Title"))</pre>
identical(texts(mycorp), texts(mycorp2))
identical(docvars(mycorp), docvars(mycorp2))
## import a tm VCorpus
if (require(tm)) {
    data(crude)
                    # load in a tm example VCorpus
    mytmCorpus <- corpus(crude)</pre>
    summary(mytmCorpus, showmeta=TRUE)
}
```

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corpus source classes

### **Description**

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

### **Slots**

```
texts the texts that form the core of the corpus docvars document variables in a data.frame source source recorded for the corpus, based on type of source created a time stamp
```

dfm

create a document-feature matrix

### **Description**

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

### Usage

```
dfm(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'character'

dfm(x, verbose = TRUE, clean = TRUE, stem = FALSE,
    ignoredFeatures = NULL, keptFeatures = NULL, matrixType = c("sparse",
    "dense"), language = "english", fromCorpus = FALSE, bigrams = FALSE,
    thesaurus = NULL, dictionary = NULL, dictionary_regex = FALSE,
    addto = NULL, ...)

## S3 method for class 'corpus'

dfm(x, verbose = TRUE, clean = TRUE, stem = FALSE,
    ignoredFeatures = NULL, keptFeatures = NULL, matrixType = c("sparse",
    "dense"), language = "english", groups = NULL, bigrams = FALSE,
    thesaurus = NULL, dictionary = NULL, dictionary_regex = FALSE,
    addto = NULL, ...)

is.dfm(x)

as.dfm(x)
```

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#### **Arguments**

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

... additional arguments passed to clean

verbose display messages if TRUE

clean if FALSE, do no cleaning of the text. This offers a one-argument easy method to

turn off any cleaning of the texts during construction of the dfm.

stem if TRUE, stem words

ignoredFeatures

a character vector of user-supplied features to ignore, such as "stop words". Formerly, this was a Boolean option for stopwords = TRUE, but requiring the user to supply the list highlights the choice involved in using any stopword list. To access one possible list (from any list you wish), use stopwords().

keptFeatures

a use supplied regular expression defining which features to keep, while excluding all others. This can be used in lieu of a dictionary if there are only specific features that a user wishes to keep. To extract only Twitter usernames, for example, set keptFeatures = "^@\\w+\\b" and make sure that removeTwitter = FALSE as an additional argument passed to clean. (Note: keptFeatures = "^@" will also retrieve usernames, but does not enforce the username convention that a username must contain one and only one @ symbol, at the beginning of the username.)

matrixType if dense, produce a dense matrix; or it sparse produce a sparse matrix of class

dgCMatrix from the **Matrix** package.

language Language for stemming and stopwords. Choices are danish, dutch, english,

finnish, french, german, hungarian, italian, norwegian, porter, portuguese, romanian, russian, spanish, swedish, turkish for stemming, and SMART, danish, english, french, hungarian, norwegian, russian, swedish, catalan, dutch, finnish, german, italian, portuguese, spanish, arabic for stop-

words.

fromCorpus a system flag used internally, soon to be phased out.

bigrams include bigrams as well as unigram features, if TRUE

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

can also include regular expressions if dictionary\_regex is TRUE (see examples). Note that unlike dictionaries, each entry in a thesaurus key must be unique, otherwise only the first match in the list will be used. Thesaurus keys are converted to upper case to create a feature label in the dfm, as a reminder that this

was not a type found in the text, but rather the label of a thesaurus key.

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

examples)

dictionary\_regex

TRUE means the dictionary is already in regular expression format, otherwise it

will be converted from "wildcard" format

addto NULL by default, but if an existing dfm object is specified, then the new dfm

will be added to the one named. If both dfm's are built from dictionaries, the

combined dfm will have its Non\_Dictionary total adjusted.

groups Grouping variable for aggregating documents

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#### **Details**

New as of v0.7: All dfms are by default sparse, a change from the previous behaviour. You can still create the older (S3) dense matrix type dfm object, but you will receive a disapproving warning message while doing so, suggesting you make the switch.

is. dfm returns TRUE if and only if its argument is a dfm.

as. dfm coerces a matrix or data.frame to a dfm

#### Value

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

If you used matrixType = "dense" then the return is an old-style S3 matrix class object with additional attributes representing meta-data.

### Author(s)

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```
# with inaugural texts
(size1 <- object.size(dfm(inaugTexts, matrixType="sparse")))</pre>
(size2 <- object.size(dfm(inaugTexts, matrixType="dense")))</pre>
cat("Compacted by ", round(as.numeric((1-size1/size2)*100), 1), "%.\n", sep="")
# for a corpus
mydfm <- dfm(inaugCorpus)</pre>
# grouping documents by docvars in a corpus
mydfmGrouped <- dfm(inaugCorpus, groups = "President")</pre>
# with stopwords English, stemming, and dense matrix
dfmsInaug2 <- dfm(inaugCorpus, ignoredFeatures = stopwordsGet(), stem=TRUE, matrixType="dense")</pre>
## with dictionaries
mycorpus <- subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1900)
mydict <- list(christmas=c("Christmas", "Santa", "holiday"),</pre>
               opposition=c("Opposition", "reject", "notincorpus"),
               taxing="taxing",
               taxation="taxation",
               taxregex="tax*",
               country="united states")
dictDfm <- dfm(mycorpus, dictionary=mydict)</pre>
dictDfm
## with the thesaurus feature
mytexts <- c("The new law included a capital gains tax, and an inheritance tax.",
              "New York City has raised a taxes: an income tax and a sales tax.")
mydict <- list(tax=c("tax", "income tax", "capital gains tax", "inheritance tax"))</pre>
dfm(phrasetotoken(mytexts, mydict), the saurus=lapply(mydict, function(x) gsub("\\s", "_", x)))
# pick up "taxes" with "tax" as a regex
dfm(phrasetotoken(mytexts, mydict), thesaurus=list(anytax="tax"), dictionary_regex=TRUE)
## removing stopwords
testText <- "The quick brown fox named Seamus jumps over the lazy dog also named Seamus, with
```

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```
the newspaper from a a boy named Seamus, in his mouth."
testCorpus <- corpus(testText)</pre>
settings(testCorpus, "stopwords")
\tt dfm(testCorpus, stopwords=TRUE)
## keep only certain words
dfm(testCorpus, keptFeatures="s$", verbose=FALSE) # keep only words ending in "s"
testTweets <- c("My homie @justinbieber #justinbieber shopping in #LA yesterday #beliebers",
             "2all the ha8ers including my bro #justinbieber #emabiggestfansjustinbieber",
             "Justin Bieber #justinbieber #belieber #fetusjustin #EMABiggestFansJustinBieber")
dfm(testTweets, keptFeatures="^#") # keep only hashtags
## Not run:
# try it with approx 35,000 court documents from Lauderdale and Clark (200?)
load ('\mbox{\sc QUANTESS/Manuscripts/Collocations/Corpora/lauderdaleClark/Opinion\_files.RData') \\
txts <- unlist(Opinion_files[1])</pre>
names(txts) <- NULL</pre>
# dfms without cleaning
require(Matrix)
system.time(dfmsBig <- dfm(txts, clean=FALSE, verbose=FALSE))</pre>
object.size(dfmsBig)
dim(dfmsBig)
# compare with tm
require(tm)
tmcorp <- VCorpus(VectorSource(txts))</pre>
system.time(tmDTM <- DocumentTermMatrix(tmcorp))</pre>
object.size(tmDTM)
dim(tmDTM)
# with cleaning - the gsub() calls in clean() take a long time
system.time(dfmsBig <- dfm(txts, clean=TRUE, additional="[-_\\x{h2014}]"))</pre>
object.size(dfmsBig)
dim(dfmsBig)
# 100 top features
topf <- colSums(dfmsBig)</pre>
names(topf) <- colnames(dfmsBig)</pre>
head(sort(topf, decreasing=TRUE), 100)
## End(Not run)
```

dfm-class

Virtual class "dfm" for a document-feature matrix

### **Description**

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

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#### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'dfm'
t(x)
## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse'
colSums(x, na.rm = FALSE, dims = 1L, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense'
colSums(x, na.rm = FALSE, dims = 1L, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse'
rowSums(x, na.rm = FALSE, dims = 1L, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense'
rowSums(x, na.rm = FALSE, dims = 1L, ...)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense,index,index,missing'
x[i = NULL, j = NULL, ...,
  drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense,index,index,logical'
x[i = NULL, j = NULL, ...,
  drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense,index,missing,missing'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense,index,missing,logical'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense, missing, index, missing'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense, missing, index, logical'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense,missing,missing,missing'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense, missing, missing, logical'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse,index,index,missing'
x[i = NULL, j = NULL, ...,
  drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse,index,index,logical'
x[i = NULL, j = NULL, ...,
  drop = FALSE]
```

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```
## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse,index,missing,missing'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse,index,missing,logical'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse,missing,index,missing'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse,missing,index,logical'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse,missing,missing,missing'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse,missing,missing,logical'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse,numeric'
e1 + e2
## S4 method for signature 'numeric,dfmSparse'
e1 + e2
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense,numeric'
## S4 method for signature 'numeric,dfmDense'
e1 + e2
## S4 method for signature 'dfm'
as.matrix(x)
## S4 method for signature 'dfm'
as.data.frame(x)
```

### Arguments

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

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#### **Details**

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

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

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

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

#### **Slots**

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

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

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

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

# See Also

dfm

# Examples

dictionary

create a dictionary

### Description

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

# Usage

```
dictionary(x = NULL, file = NULL, format = NULL, enc = "",
  tolower = TRUE, maxcats = 10)
```

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### **Arguments**

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

examples)

file file identifier for a foreign dictionary

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

are:

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

enc optional encoding value for dictionaries imported in Wordstat format

tolower if TRUE, convert all dictionary functions to lower

maxcats optional maximum categories to which a word could belong in a LIWC dictio-

nary file, defaults to 10 (which is more than the actual LIWC 2007 dictionary

uses). The default value of 10 is likely to be more than enough.

#### Value

A list with a ductionary class label, to be used by other functions in quanteda.

#### Note

We will eventually change this to an S4 class with validators and additional methods.

#### References

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

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

### See Also

dfm

```
mycorpus <- subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1900)
mydict <-
    dictionary(list(christmas=c("Christmas", "Santa", "holiday"),
                    opposition=c("Opposition", "reject", "notincorpus"),
                     taxing="taxing",
                     taxation="taxation"
                     taxregex="tax*",
                     country="united states"))
dfm(mycorpus, dictionary=mydict)
## Not run:
# import the Laver-Garry dictionary from http://bit.ly/1FH2nvf
lgdict <- dictionary(file="~/Dropbox/QUANTESS/dictionaries/Misc Provalis/LaverGarry.cat",</pre>
                     format="wordstat")
dfm(inaugTexts, dictionary=lgdict)
# import a LIWC formatted dictionary
liwcdict <- dictionary(file = "~/Dropbox/QUANTESS/dictionaries/LIWC/LIWC2001_English.dic",</pre>
```

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```
format = "LIWC")
dfm(inaugTexts, dictionary=liwcdict)
## End(Not run)
```

docfreq

get the document frequency of a feature

### **Description**

Returns the document frequency of a feature in a dfm-class object, which occurs greater than a threshold.

### Usage

```
docfreq(object, threshold = 0)
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense,numeric'
docfreq(object, threshold = 0)
## S4 method for signature 'dfmDense,missing'
docfreq(object, threshold = 0)
## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse,numeric'
docfreq(object, threshold = 0)
## S4 method for signature 'dfmSparse,missing'
docfreq(object, threshold = 0)
## S4 method for signature 'dfm,numeric'
docfreq(object, threshold = 0)
## S4 method for signature 'dfm,numeric'
docfreq(object, threshold = 0)
```

# **Arguments**

object a dfm-class document-feature matrix

threshold numeric value of the threshold for counting a feature as existing in the document,

default is 0

docnames

get or set document names

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### **Description**

Extract the document names from a corpus or a document-feature matrix. Document names are the rownames of the documents data.frame in a corpus, or the rownames of the dfm object for a dfm. of the dfm object.

docnames queries the document names of a corpus or a dfm

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

### Usage

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

### **Arguments**

```
x the object with docnames
value a character vector of the same length as x
```

### Value

docnames returns a character vector of the document names docnames<- assigns a character vector of the document names in a corpus

### **Examples**

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

docvars

get or set for document-level variables

### Description

Get or set variables for the documents in a corpus

### Usage

```
docvars(x, field = NULL)
docvars(x, field = NULL) <- value</pre>
```

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### **Arguments**

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

#### Value

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

### **Examples**

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

encoding

get the encoding of documents in a corpus

### **Description**

Get or set the \_encoding document-level metadata field(s) in a corpus.

### Usage

```
encoding(x, drop = TRUE)
encoding(x) <- value</pre>
```

### **Arguments**

x a corpus object

drop return as a vector if TRUE, otherwise return a data. frame

value a character vector or scalar representing the new value of the encoding (see

Note)

#### **Details**

This function modifies the \_encoding value set by metadoc. It is a wrapper for metadoc(corp, "encoding").

### Note

This function differs from R's built-in Encoding function, which only allows the four values of "latin1", "UTF-8", "bytes", and "unknown" (and which assigns "unknown" to any text that contains only ASCII characters). Legal values for encodings must be from iconvlist. Note that encoding does not convert or set encodings, it simply records a user declaration of a valid encoding. (We hope to implement checking and conversion later.)

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features

extract the feature labels from a dfm

### **Description**

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

### Usage

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

### **Arguments**

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the object (dfm) whose features will be extracted

#### Value

Character vector of the features

### **Examples**

```
features(dfm(inaugTexts))[1:50] # first 50 features (alphabetically sorted)
```

inaugCorpus

A corpus of US presidential inaugural addresses from 1789-2013

### **Description**

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

inaugTexts is the character vector of US presidential inaugaration speeches

#### References

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

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

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kwic

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

# Description

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

### Usage

```
kwic(x, word, window = 5, wholeword = FALSE)
## S3 method for class 'character'
kwic(x, word, window = 5, wholeword = FALSE)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
kwic(x, word, window = 5, wholeword = FALSE)
```

### **Arguments**

x A text character scalar or a quanteda corpus. (Currently does not support char-

acter vectors.)

word A keyword chosen by the user.

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

wholeword If TRUE, then only search for the entire "word". Otherwise word is interpreted as

a regular expression, which matches any occurrence of word in the text, so that the the concordance will include all words in which the search term appears, and not just when it appears as an entire word. For instance, searching for the word

"key" will also return "whiskey". This is the default.

### Value

A data frame with the context before (preword), the keyword in its original format (word, preserving case and attached punctuation), and the context after (postword). The rows of the dataframe will be named with the word index position, or the text name and the index position for a corpus object.

#### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit and Paul Nulty

```
kwic(inaugTexts, "terror")
kwic(inaugTexts, "terror", wholeword=TRUE) # returns only whole word, without trailing punctuation
```

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language	get or set the language of corpus documents

### **Description**

Get or set the \_language document-level metadata field in a corpus.

### Usage

```
language(corp, drop = TRUE)
language(corp) <- value</pre>
```

### **Arguments**

corp a corpus object

drop return as a vector if TRUE, otherwise return a data. frame

value the new value for the language meta-data field, a string or character vector equal

in length to ndoc(corp)

#### **Details**

This function modifies the \_language value set by metadoc. It is a wrapper for metadoc(corp, "language").

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### **Description**

Example data to demonstrate the Wordscores algorithm, from Laver Benoit and Garry (2003)

### **Format**

A dfm object with 6 documents and 37 features

### **Details**

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

#### References

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

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lexdiv

calculate lexical diversity

### **Description**

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

#### Usage

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

### **Arguments**

x a document-feature matrix object

... additional arguments

measure A character vector defining the measure to calculate.

log.base A numeric value defining the base of the logarithm.

### **Details**

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

"TTR": The ordinary Type-Token Ratio:

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

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

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

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

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

"CTTR": Carroll's Corrected TTR:

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

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

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

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"S": Summer's index:

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$\log V_0 = \frac{\log V}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{\log V^2}{\log N}}}$$

The measure was derived from a formula by Mueller (1969, as cited in Maas, 1972).  $\log_e V_0$  is equivalent to  $\log V_0$ , only with e as the base for the logarithms. Also calculated are e0, e1, e2 (both not the same as before) and e3 measures of relative vocabulary growth while the text progresses. To calculate these measures, the first half of the text and the full text will be examined (see Maas, 1972, p. 67 ff. for details). Note: for the current method (for a dfm) there is no computation on separate halves of the text.

#### Value

a vector of lexical diversity statistics, each corresponding to an input document

#### Note

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

### Author(s)

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

### References

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

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

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

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

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

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

### **Examples**

metacorpus

get or set corpus metadata

### **Description**

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

### Usage

```
metacorpus(corp, field = NULL)
metacorpus(corp, field) <- value</pre>
```

### **Arguments**

corp A quanteda corpus object

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

value new value of the corpus metadata field

# Value

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

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

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

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get or set document-level meta-data

### **Description**

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

# Usage

```
metadoc(corp, field = NULL)
metadoc(corp, field = NULL) <- value</pre>
```

### **Arguments**

corp	A quanteda corpus object
field	string containing the name of the metadata field(s) to be queried or set
value	the new value of the new meta-data field

### Value

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

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

# Note

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

### **Examples**

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

ndoc

get the number of documents or features

### **Description**

Returns the number of documents or features in a quanteda object.

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### Usage

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

### **Arguments**

x a corpus or dfm object ... additional parameters

### Value

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

# **Examples**

```
ndoc(inaugCorpus)
ndoc(dfm(inaugCorpus))
nfeature(dfm(inaugCorpus))
nfeature(trim(dfm(inaugCorpus), minDoc=5, minCount=10))
```

ngrams

Create ngrams

### **Description**

Create a set of ngrams (words in sequence) from text(s) in a character vector

### Usage

```
ngrams(text, n = 2, concatenator = "_", include.all = FALSE, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

text character vector containing the texts from which ngrams will be extracted n the number of tokens to concatenate. Default is 2 for bigrams.

concatenator character for combining words, default is \_ (underscore) character include.all if TRUE, add n-1...1 grams to the returned list additional parameters

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#### **Details**

... provides additional arguments passed to tokenize

#### Value

a list of character vectors of ngrams, one list element per text

### Author(s)

Ken Benoit, Kohei Watanabe, Paul Nulty

### **Examples**

phrasetotoken

convert phrases into single tokens

### **Description**

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

# Usage

```
phrasetotoken(x, dictionary, concatenator = "_")
## S3 method for class 'character'
phrasetotoken(x, dictionary, concatenator = "_")
```

### **Arguments**

x source texts, a character or character vector

dictionary a list or named list (such as a quanted dictionary) that contains some phrases,

defined as multiple words delimited by whitespace. These can be up to 9 words

long.

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

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

### Value

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

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#### **Examples**

plot.dfm

plot features as a wordcloud

### **Description**

The default plot method for a dfm object. Produces a wordcloud plot for the features of the dfm, weighted by the total frequencies. To produce word cloud plots for specific documents, the only way currently to do this is to produce a dfm only from the documents whose features you want plotted.

#### Usage

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

### **Arguments**

x a dfm object

... additional parameters passed to to wordcloud or to text (and strheight, strwidth)

### See Also

wordcloud

```
# plot the features (without stopwords) from Obama's two inaugural addresses
mydfm <- dfm(subset(inaugCorpus, President=="Obama"), verbose=FALSE, stopwords=TRUE)
plot(mydfm)

# plot only Lincoln's inaugural address
plot(dfm(subset(inaugCorpus, President=="Lincoln"), verbose=FALSE, stopwords=TRUE))

# plot in colors with some additional options passed to wordcloud
plot(mydfm, random.color=TRUE, rot.per=.25, colors=sample(colors()[2:128], 5))</pre>
```

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print.dfm

print a dfm object

### **Description**

print methods for document-feature matrices

### Usage

### **Arguments**

X	the dfm to be printed
show.values	print the dfm as a matrix or array (if resampled).
show.settings	Print the settings used to create the dfm. See settings.
• • •	further arguments passed to or from other methods
object	the item to be printed

removeFeatures

remove features from an object

# Description

This function removes features from a variety of objects, such as text, a dfm, or a list of collocations. The most common usage for removeFeatures will be to eliminate stop words from a text or text-based object. Some commonly used built-in stop words can be accessed through stopwords.

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#### Usage

```
removeFeatures(x, stopwords = NULL, verbose = TRUE)
## S3 method for class 'character'
removeFeatures(x, stopwords = NULL, verbose = TRUE)
## S3 method for class 'dfm'
removeFeatures(x, stopwords = NULL, verbose = TRUE)
## S3 method for class 'collocations'
removeFeatures(x, stopwords = NULL, verbose = TRUE)
stopwordsRemove(x, stopwords = NULL, verbose = TRUE)
```

### **Arguments**

x object from which stopwords will be removed

stopwords character vector of features to remove. Now requires an explicit list to be sup-

plied, for instance stopwords("english").

verbose if TRUE print message about how many features were removed

### **Details**

Because we believe the user should take full responsibility for any features that are removed, we do not provide a default list. Use stopwords instead.

#### Value

an object with stopwords removed

# See Also

stopwords

```
## examples for character objects
someText <- "Here's some text containing words we want to remove."
removeFeatures(someText, stopwords("english", verbose=FALSE))
removeFeatures(someText, stopwords("SMART", verbose=FALSE))
removeFeatures(someText, c("some", "want"))
itText <- "Ecco alcuni di testo contenente le parole che vogliamo rimuovere."
removeFeatures(itText, stopwords("italian", verbose=FALSE))

## example for dfm objects
mydfm <- dfm(ukimmigTexts, verbose=FALSE)
removeFeatures(mydfm, stopwords("english", verbose=FALSE))

## example for collocations
(myCollocs <- collocations(inaugTexts, top=20))
removeFeatures(myCollocs, stopwords("english", verbose=FALSE))</pre>
```

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segment

segment texts into component elements

### **Description**

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

### Usage

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

### Arguments

X	text or corpus object to be segmented
•••	provides additional passed to the regular expression, such as perl=TRUE, or arguments to be passed to clean if what=tokens,
what	unit of segmentation. Current options are tokens, sentences, paragraphs, and other. Segmenting on other allows segmentation of a text on any user-defined value, and must be accompanied by the delimiter argument.
delimiter	delimiter defined as a regex for segmentation. Each type has its own default, except other, which requires a value to be specified.
perl	logical. Should Perl-compatible regular expressions be used?

#### **Details**

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

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

### Value

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

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#### Note

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

# **Examples**

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

settings

Get or set the corpus settings

# Description

Get or set the corpus settings

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

Get the settings from a which a dfm was created

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

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

#### **Arguments**

value new setting value

#### **Details**

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

# **Examples**

```
settings(inaugCorpus, "stopwords")
tempdfm <- dfm(inaugCorpus)
tempdfmSW <- dfm(inaugCorpus, stopwords=TRUE)
settings(inaugCorpus, "stopwords") <- TRUE
tempdfmSW <- dfm(inaugCorpus)
tempdfm <- dfm(inaugCorpus, stem=TRUE)
settings(tempdfm)</pre>
```

similarity

compute similarities between documents and/or features

#### **Description**

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

# Usage

```
similarity(x, selection, n = 10, margin = c("features", "documents"),
  method = "correlation", sort = TRUE, normalize = TRUE, digits = 4)

## S4 method for signature 'dfm,index'
similarity(x, selection, n = 10,
  margin = c("features", "documents"), method = "correlation",
  sort = TRUE, normalize = TRUE, digits = 4)
```

# Arguments

x a dfm object
selection character or character vector of document names or feature labels from the dfm
n the top n most similar items will be returned, sorted in descending order. If n is
NULL, return all items.

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margin	identifies the margin of the dfm on which similarity will be computed: features for word/term features or documents for documents.
method	a valid method for computing similarity from pr_DB
sort	sort results in descending order if TRUE
normalize	if TRUE, normalize the dfm by term frequency within document (so that the dfm values will be relative term frequency within each document)
digits	digits for rounding results

#### Value

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

#### Note

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

```
# create a dfm from inaugural addresses from Reagan onwards
presDfm <- dfm(subset(inaugCorpus, Year>1980), stopwords=TRUE, stem=TRUE)
# compute some document similarities
similarity(presDfm, "1985-Reagan", n=5, margin="documents")
similarity(presDfm, c("2009-Obama", "2013-Obama"), n=5, margin="documents")
similarity(presDfm, c("2009-Obama", "2013-Obama"), n=NULL, margin="documents")
similarity(presDfm, c("2009-Obama", "2013-Obama"), n=NULL, margin="documents", method="cosine")
similarity(presDfm, "2005-Bush", n=NULL, margin="documents", method="eJaccard", sort=FALSE)
# compute some term similarities
similarity(presDfm, c("fair", "health", "terror"), method="cosine")
## Not run:
# compare to tm
require(tm)
data("crude")
crude <- tm_map(crude, content_transformer(tolower))</pre>
crude <- tm_map(crude, removePunctuation)</pre>
crude <- tm_map(crude, removeNumbers)</pre>
crude <- tm_map(crude, stemDocument)</pre>
tdm <- TermDocumentMatrix(crude)</pre>
findAssocs(tdm, c("oil", "opec", "xyz"), c(0.75, 0.82, 0.1))
# in quanteda
crudeDfm <- dfm(corpus(crude))</pre>
similarity(crudeDfm, c("oil", "opec", "xyz"), normalize=FALSE, digits=2)
## End(Not run)
```

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# Description

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

# Usage

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

# Arguments

x	Document-feature matrix created by dfm
decreasing	TRUE (default) if sort will be in descending order, otherwise sort in increasing order
margin	which margin to sort on features to sort by frequency of features, docs to sort by total feature counts in documents, and both to sort by both
	additional arguments passed to base method sort.int

# Value

A sorted dfm matrix object

# Author(s)

Ken Benoit

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# **Description**

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

# Usage

```
stopwords(kind = "english", verbose = TRUE)
stopwordsGet(kind = "english")
```

# Arguments

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

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

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

verbose if FALSE, suppress the annoying warning note

#### **Details**

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

# Value

a character vector of stopwords

# A note of caution

Stop words are an arbitrary choice imposed by the user, and accessing a pre-defined list of words to ignore does not mean that it will perfectly fit your needs. You are strongly encourged to inspect the list and to make sure it fits your particular requirements.

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

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subset.corpus

extract a subset of a corpus

#### **Description**

Works just like the normal subset command but for corpus objects

#### Usage

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

# **Arguments**

x corpus object to be subsetted.
 subset logical expression indicating elements or rows to keep: missing values are taken as false.
 select expression, indicating the attributes to select from the corpus additional arguments affecting the summary produced

#### Value

corpus object

# **Examples**

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

summary.corpus

summarize a corpus or a vector of texts

# Description

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

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

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## **Arguments**

object corpus or texts to be summarized

n maximum number of texts to describe, default=100

verbose set to FALSE to turn off printed output, for instance if you simply want to assign the output to a data. frame

showmeta for a corpus, set to TRUE to include document-level meta-data

... additional arguments affecting the summary produced

# **Examples**

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

syllables

count syllables in a text

#### **Description**

This function takes a text and returns a count of the number of syllables it contains. For British English words, the syllable count is exact and looked up from the CMU pronunciation dictionary, from the default syllable dictionary englishSyllables. For any word not in the dictionary the syllable count is estimated by counting vowel clusters.

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

#### Usage

```
syllables(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
syllables(x, syllableDict = englishSyllables, ...)
```

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# **Arguments**

character vector or list of character vectors whose syllables will be counted
 additional arguments passed to clean
 a named numeric vector of syllable counts where the names are lower case to-kens. The default is englishSyllables, an English pronunciation dictionary from

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#### Value

numeric Named vector or list of counts of the number of syllables for each element of x. When a word is not available in the lookup table, its syllables are estimated by counting the number of (English) vowels in the word.

#### **Source**

englishSyllables is built from the freely available CMU pronunciation dictionary at http://www.speech.cs.cmu.edu/cgi-bin/cmudict.

## **Examples**

textfile

read a text corpus source from a file

#### **Description**

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

```
textfile(file, textField, directory = NULL, docvarsfrom = c("filenames"),
    sep = "_", docvarnames = NULL, ...)

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

## S4 method for signature 'character,missing,missing,missing,missing'
textfile(file,
    textField, directory = NULL, docvarsfrom = c("filenames"), sep = "_",
    docvarnames = NULL, ...)

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

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## **Arguments**

file the complete filename to be read. Currently available file types are:

txt plain text files

json data in JavaScript Object Notation, consisting of the texts and additional document-level variables and document-level meta-data. The text key must be identified by specifying a textField value.

csv comma separated value data, consisting of the texts and additional document-level variables and document-level meta-data. The text file must be identified by specifying a textField value.

**a wildcard value** any valid pathname with a wildcard ("glob") expression that can be expanded by the operating system. This may consist of multiple file types.

doc, docx: Word files coming soon.

pdf: Adobe Portable Document Format files, coming soon.

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

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

.csv and .json.

directory not used yet, and may be removed (if I move this to a new method called

textfiles)

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

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

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

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

is used

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

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

...).

. . . additional arguments passed through to other functions

## **Details**

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

## Value

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

#### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit and Paul Nulty

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#### **Examples**

textmodel

fit a text model

# **Description**

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

# Usage

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

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

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

# **Arguments**

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

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

wordfish Fits the "wordfish" model of Slapin and Proksch (2008).

1da Fit a topic model based on latent Dirichlet allocation. Temporarily removed.

kNN k-nearest neighbour classification, coming soon.

... additional arguments to be passed to specific model types

formula

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

#### Value

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

#### Class hierarchy

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

#### See Also

```
textmodel, textmodel_wordscores
```

```
## Not run:
data(ie2010Corpus, package="quantedaData")
ieDfm <- dfm(ie2010Corpus, verbose=FALSE)
refscores <- c(rep(NA, 4), -1, 1, rep(NA, 8))
ws <- textmodel(ieDfm, refscores, model="wordscores", smooth=1)

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

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

wf <- textmodel(ieDfm, model="wordfish", dir = c(6,5))
wf

## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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```
textmodel_fitted-class
```

the fitted textmodel classes

#### **Description**

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

# **Details**

Available types currently include...

# **Slots**

dfm a dfm-class document-feature matrix

textmodel\_wordfish wordfish text model

## **Description**

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

# Usage

```
textmodel_wordfish(data, dir = c(1, 2), priors = c(Inf, Inf, 3, 1),
  tol = c(1e-06, 1e-08))

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

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

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

## **Arguments**

data	the dfm on which the model will be fit
dir	set global identification by specifying the indexes for a pair of documents such
	that $\hat{ heta}_{dir[1]} < \hat{ heta}_{dir[2]}$ .
priors	priors for $\theta_i$ , $\alpha_i$ , $\psi_j$ , and $\beta_j$ where $i$ indexes documents and $j$ indexes features
tol	tolerances for convergence (explain why a pair)
X	for print method, the object to be printed
n	max rows of dfm to print
	additional arguments passed to other functions
object	wordfish fitted or predicted object to be shown

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#### **Details**

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

#### Value

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

dir global identification of the dimension theta estimated document positions alpha estimated document fixed effects estimated feature marginal effects beta psi estimated word fixed effects docs document labels feature labels features sigma regularization parameter for betas in Poisson form 11 log likelihood at convergence se.theta standard errors for theta-hats data dfm to which the model was fit

#### Author(s)

Benjamin Lauderdale and Kenneth Benoit

#### References

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

```
if (require(quantedaData)) {
    data(ie2010Corpus)
    ie2010dfm <- dfm(ie2010Corpus, verbose=FALSE)
    wfmodel <- textmodel_wordfish(ie2010dfm, dir = c(6,5))

    if (require(austin)) {
        wfmodelAustin <- wordfish(quanteda::as.wfm(ie2010dfm), dir = c(6,5))
        cor(wfmodel@theta, wfmodelAustin$theta)
    }
}</pre>
```

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# Description

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

#### Usage

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

# Arguments

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

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#### **Details**

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

#### Value

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

#### **Slots**

```
scale linear or logit, according to the value of scale
Sw the scores computed for each word in the training set
x the dfm on which the wordscores model was called
y the reference scores
call the function call that fitted the model
method takes a value of wordscores for this model
```

#### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit Ken Benoit

#### References

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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texts

get or set corpus texts

# **Description**

Get or replace the texts in a quanteda corpus object.

# Usage

```
texts(corp)
texts(corp) <- value</pre>
```

# Arguments

corp A quanteda corpus object

value character vector of the new texts

#### Value

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

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

# **Examples**

```
texts(inaugCorpus)[1]
sapply(texts(inaugCorpus), nchar) # length in characters of the inaugual corpus texts
## this doesn't work yet - need to overload `[` for this replacement function
# texts(inaugTexts)[55] <- "GW Bush's second inaugural address, the condensed version."</pre>
```

tokenize

tokenize a set of texts

# **Description**

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

```
tokenize(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'character'
tokenize(x, simplify = FALSE, sep = " ", ...)
## S3 method for class 'corpus'
tokenize(x, ...)
```

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# **Arguments**

X	The text(s) or corpus to be tokenized
	additional arguments passed to clean
simplify	If TRUE, return a character vector of tokens rather than a list of length ndoc(texts), with each element of the list containing a character vector of the tokens corresponding to that text.
sep	by default, tokenize expects a "white-space" delimiter between tokens. Alternatively, sep can be used to specify another character which delimits fields.

#### Value

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

# **Examples**

```
# same for character vectors and for lists
tokensFromChar <- tokenize(inaugTexts)
tokensFromCorp <- tokenize(inaugCorpus)
identical(tokensFromChar, tokensFromCorp)
str(tokensFromChar)
# returned as a list
head(tokenize(inaugTexts[57])[[1]], 10)
# returned as a character vector using simplify=TRUE
head(tokenize(inaugTexts[57], simplify=TRUE), 10)
# demonstrate some options with clean
head(tokenize(inaugTexts[57], simplify=TRUE, lower=FALSE), 30)</pre>
```

topfeatures

list the most frequent features

# **Description**

List the most frequently occuring features in a dfm

# Usage

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

# Arguments

```
x the object whose features will be returned... additional arguments passed to other methodsn how many top features should be returned
```

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

quent features

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

#### Value

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

# **Examples**

```
topfeatures(dfm(inaugCorpus))
topfeatures(dfm(inaugCorpus, stopwords=TRUE))
# least frequent features
topfeatures(dfm(inaugCorpus), decreasing=FALSE)
```

trim

Trim a dfm using threshold-based or random feature selection

# **Description**

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

# Usage

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

# **Arguments**

document-feature matrix of dfm-class minCount minimum feature count minDoc minimum number of documents in which a feature appears nsample how many features to retain (based on random selection) verbose print messages only included to allow legacy trimdfm to pass arguments to trim

## Value

A dfm-class object reduced in features

# Author(s)

Ken Benoit, inspired by code by Will Lowe (see trim)

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#### **Examples**

```
dtm <- dfm(inaugCorpus)
dim(dtm)
dtmReduced <- trim(dtm, minCount=10, minDoc=2) # only words occuring >=5 times and in >=2 docs
dim(dtmReduced)
topfeatures(dtmReduced, decreasing=FALSE)
dtmSampled <- trim(dtm, minCount=20, nsample=50) # sample 50 words over 20 count
dtmSampled # 57 x 50 words
topfeatures(dtmSampled)</pre>
```

ukimmigTexts

Immigration-related sections of 2010 UK party manifestos

# Description

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

#### **Format**

A named character vector of plain ASCII texts

# **Examples**

```
data(ukimmigTexts)
ukimmigCorpus <- corpus(ukimmigTexts, docvars=list(party=names(ukimmigTexts)))
language(ukimmigCorpus) <- "english"
encoding(ukimmigCorpus) <- "UTF-8"
summary(ukimmigCorpus)</pre>
```

weight

Weight the feature frequencies in a dfm by various methods

# **Description**

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

```
weight(x, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'dfm'
weight(x, type = c("frequency", "relFreq", "relMaxFreq",
    "logFreq", "tfidf"), smooth = 0, normalize = TRUE, verbose = TRUE, ...)
tf(x)
tfidf(x)
```

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```
smoother(x, smooth)
weighting(object)
## S4 method for signature 'dfm'
weighting(object)
```

## **Arguments**

x document-feature matrix created by dfm

... not currently used

type The weighting function to aapply to the dfm. One of:

- normTf Length normalization: dividing the frequency of the feature by the length of the document)
- logTf The natural log of the term frequency
- tf-idf Term-frequency \* inverse document frequency. For a full explanation, see, for example, (http://nlp.stanford.edu/IR-book/html/htmledition/term-frequency-and-weighting-1.html). This implementation will not return negative values.
- maxTf The term frequency divided by the frequency of the most frequent term in the document
- ppmi Positive Pointwise Mutual Information

smooth amount to apply as additive smoothing to the document-feature matrix prior to

weighting, default is 0.5, set to smooth=0 for no smoothing.

normalize if TRUE (default) then normalize the dfm by relative term frequency prior to

computing tfidf

verbose if TRUE output status messages

object the dfm object for accessing the weighting setting

#### **Details**

```
tf is a shortcut for weight(x, "relFreq")
tfidf is a shortcut for weight(x, "tfidf")
smoother is a shortcut for weight(x, "frequency", smooth)
weighting queries (but cannot set) the weighting applied to the dfm.
```

# Value

The dfm with weighted values

weighting returns a character object describing the type of weighting applied to the dfm.

### Author(s)

Paul Nulty and Kenneth Benoit

# References

Manning, Christopher D., Prabhakar Raghavan, and Hinrich Schutze. Introduction to information retrieval. Vol. 1. Cambridge: Cambridge university press, 2008.

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#### **Examples**

```
dtm <- dfm(inaugCorpus)
x <- apply(dtm, 1, function(tf) tf/max(tf))
topfeatures(dtm)
normDtm <- weight(dtm)
topfeatures(normDtm)
maxTfDtm <- weight(dtm, type="relMaxFreq")
topfeatures(maxTfDtm)
logTfDtm <- weight(dtm, type="logFreq")
topfeatures(logTfDtm)
tfidfDtm <- weight(dtm, type="tfidf")
topfeatures(tfidfDtm)

# combine these methods for more complex weightings, e.g. as in Section 6.4 of
# Introduction to Information Retrieval
logTfDtm <- weight(dtm, type="logFreq")
wfidfDtm <- weight(logTfDtm, type="tfidf", normalize=FALSE)</pre>
```

wordstem

stem words

#### **Description**

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

# Usage

```
wordstem(words, language = "porter")
```

# **Arguments**

words a character vector of words whose stems are to be extracted.

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

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

ences for the list of codes)

#### Value

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

#### References

```
http://snowball.tartarus.org/
http://www.loc.gov/standards/iso639-2/php/code_list.php for a list of ISO-639 language codes
```

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# See Also

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

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