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# Description

This dataset holds 50 news articles with additional meta information from the Reuters-21578 XML data set. All documents belong to the topic acq dealing with corporate acquisitions.

# Usage

```
data("acq")
```

#### **Format**

A corpus of 50 text documents.

## Source

Reuters-21578 Text Categorization Collection Distribution 1.0 (XML format).

#### References

```
Lewis, David (1997) Reuters-21578 Text Categorization Collection Distribution 1.0. http://kdd.ics.uci.edu/databases/reuters21578/reuters21578.html

Luz, Saturnino XML-encoded version of Reuters-21578. http://modnlp.berlios.de/reuters21578.html
```

```
data("acq")
summary(acq)
```

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```
as.PlainTextDocument
```

Create Objects of Class PlainTextDocument

## **Description**

Create objects of class PlainTextDocument.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'PlainTextDocument':
as.PlainTextDocument(x)
## S3 method for class 'Reuters21578Document':
as.PlainTextDocument(x)
## S3 method for class 'RCV1Document':
as.PlainTextDocument(x)
```

#### **Arguments**

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A text document.

#### See Also

getTransformations to list available transformation (mapping) functions.

# **Examples**

```
reut21578 <- system.file("texts", "crude", package = "tm")
r <- Corpus(DirSource(reut21578), readerControl = list(reader = readReut21578XML))
r[[1]]
as.PlainTextDocument(r[[1]])</pre>
```

convert\_UTF\_8

Convert Encoding to UTF-8

# **Description**

Convert the encoding of a character or text document to UTF-8.

## Usage

```
convert_UTF_8(x, from = "", sub = NA, ...)
```

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## **Arguments**

X	A character or text document.
from	A character string describing the current encoding.
sub	A character string. If not 'NA' it is used to replace any non-convertible bytes in the input.
	Additional arguments.

#### **Details**

This function internally uses iconv for conversion, and the arguments from and sub are passed over.

#### Value

The character or text document x converted to UTF-8 encoding.

#### Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

#### See Also

iconv

Use getTransformations to list available transformation (mapping) functions.

## **Examples**

```
data("crude")
convert_UTF_8(crude[[1]])

crude 20 Exemplary News Articles from the Reuters-21578 XML Data Set of
Topic crude
```

# Description

This data set holds 20 news articles with additional meta information from the Reuters-21578 XML data set. All documents belong to the topic crude dealing with crude oil.

# Usage

```
data("crude")
```

#### **Format**

A corpus of 20 text documents.

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#### **Source**

Reuters-21578 Text Categorization Collection Distribution 1.0 (XML format).

#### References

```
Lewis, David (1997) Reuters-21578 Text Categorization Collection Distribution 1.0. http://kdd.ics.uci.edu/databases/reuters21578/reuters21578.html

Luz, Saturnino XML-encoded version of Reuters-21578. http://modnlp.berlios.de/reuters21578.html
```

## **Examples**

```
data("crude")
summary(crude)
```

DataframeSource

Data Frame Source

#### **Description**

Constructs a source from a data frame.

## Usage

```
DataframeSource(x, encoding = "UTF-8")
```

## **Arguments**

x A data frame holding the texts.

encoding A character giving the encoding of x.

#### Value

An object of class DataframeSource which extends the class Source representing a data frame interpreting each row as a document.

#### Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

```
docs <- data.frame(docs = c("This is a text.", "This another one."))
(ds <- DataframeSource(docs))
inspect(Corpus(ds))</pre>
```

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Dictionary Dictionary

# Description

Constructs a dictionary from a character vector or a term-document matrix.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'character':
Dictionary(x)
## S3 method for class 'TermDocumentMatrix':
Dictionary(x)
```

#### **Arguments**

x A character vector or a term-document matrix holding the terms for the dictionary.

#### Value

An object of class Dictionary which extends the class character representing a dictionary, i.e., a character vector of terms.

#### Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

# **Examples**

```
Dictionary(c("some", "tokens"))
data(crude)
Dictionary(TermDocumentMatrix(crude))
```

DirSource

Directory Source

# Description

Constructs a directory source.

## Usage

```
DirSource(directory, encoding = "UTF-8", pattern = NULL, recursive = FALSE, ignore.
```

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# Arguments

directory A directory.

encoding A character giving the encoding of the files in directory.

pattern An optional regular expression. Only file names which match the regular expression will be returned.

recursive Logical. Should the listing recurse into directories?

Logical. Should pattern-matching be case-insensitive?

#### Value

An object of class DirSource which extends the class Source representing a directory. Each file in this directory is considered to be a document.

#### Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

ignore.case

dissimilarity Dissimilarity

#### **Description**

Compute the dissimilarity between documents in a term-document matrix or between two explicit documents.

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'TermDocumentMatrix':
dissimilarity(x, y = NULL, method)
## S3 method for class 'PlainTextDocument':
dissimilarity(x, y = NULL, method)
```

## **Arguments**

Either a term-document matrix or a text document.

Y A text document. Only used if x is a text document.

Dissimilarity measure. Any method accepted by dist from package proxy can be passed over.

# Value

An object of class dist representing the dissimilarity between participating documents.

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# **Examples**

```
data("crude")
tdm <- TermDocumentMatrix(crude)
dissimilarity(tdm, method = "cosine")
dissimilarity(crude[[1]], crude[[2]], method = "eJaccard")</pre>
```

findAssocs

Find Associations in a Term-Document Matrix

# **Description**

Find associations in a term-document matrix.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'TermDocumentMatrix':
findAssocs(x, term, corlimit)
## S3 method for class 'matrix':
findAssocs(x, term, corlimit)
```

# Arguments

x A term-document matrix.

term A character holding a term.

corlimit A numeric for the lower correlation bound limit.

#### Value

A named numeric with those terms from x which correlate with term more than corlimit.

```
data("crude")
tdm <- TermDocumentMatrix(crude)
findAssocs(tdm, "oil", 0.7)</pre>
```

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findFreqTerms

Find Frequent Terms

# Description

Find frequent terms in a term-document matrix.

# Usage

```
findFreqTerms(x, lowfreq = 0, highfreq = Inf)
```

# Arguments

x A term-document matrix.

lowfreq An integer for the lower frequency bound.

highfreq An integer for the upper frequency bound.

#### **Details**

This method works for all numeric weightings but is probably most meaningful for the standard term frequency  $(t\,f)$  weighting of x.

#### Value

A character vector of terms in x which occur more or equal often than lowfreq times and less or equal often than highfreq times.

# **Examples**

```
data("crude")
tdm <- TermDocumentMatrix(crude)
findFreqTerms(tdm, 2, 3)</pre>
```

FunctionGenerator Function Generator

# **Description**

Construct a function generator.

#### Usage

```
FunctionGenerator(x)
```

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## **Arguments**

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A generator function which takes some input and constructs and returns a new function based on that input information.

#### Value

An object of class FunctionGenerator which extends the class function representing a function generator.

## Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

#### See Also

Most reader functions (use getReaders to list available readers) are function generators.

## **Examples**

```
funGen <- FunctionGenerator(function(y, ...) {
  if (is(y, "integer")) function(x) x+1 else function(x) x-1
})
funGen
funGen(3L)
funGen("a")</pre>
```

getFilters

List Available Filters

# Description

List available filters which can be used with tm\_filter and tm\_index.

# Usage

```
getFilters()
```

#### Value

A character vector with available filters.

#### Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

```
getFilters()
```

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getReaders

List Available Readers

# Description

List available readers.

# Usage

```
getReaders()
```

# Value

A character vector with available readers.

# Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

# **Examples**

```
getReaders()
```

getSources

List Available Sources

# Description

Listt available sources.

# Usage

```
getSources()
```

#### Value

A character vector with available sources.

# Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

```
getSources()
```

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getTransformations List Available Transformations

## **Description**

List available transformations (mappings) which can be used with tm\_map.

# Usage

```
getTransformations()
```

## Value

A character vector with available transformations.

## Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

# **Examples**

```
getTransformations()
```

GmaneSource

Gmane Source

## **Description**

Construct a source for a Gmane mailing list RSS feed.

# Usage

```
GmaneSource(x, encoding = "UTF-8")
```

## **Arguments**

x Either a character identifying the file or a connection.

encoding A character giving the encoding of x.

#### Value

An object of class Gmane Source which extends the class Source representing a Gmane mailing list RSS feed.

# Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

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inspect

Inspect Objects

#### **Description**

Inspect, i.e., display detailed information on a corpus or a term-document matrix.

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'PCorpus':
inspect(x)
## S3 method for class 'VCorpus':
inspect(x)
## S3 method for class 'TermDocumentMatrix':
inspect(x)
```

# Arguments

Х

Either a corpus or a term-document matrix.

# **Examples**

```
data("crude")
inspect(crude[1:3])
tdm <- TermDocumentMatrix(crude)[1:10, 1:10]
inspect(tdm)</pre>
```

makeChunks

Split a Corpus into Chunks

# Description

Split a corpus into equally sized chunks conserving document boundaries.

# Usage

```
makeChunks(corpus, chunksize)
```

## Arguments

corpus The corpus to be split into chunks.

chunksize The chunk size.

#### Value

A corpus consisting of the chunks. Note that corpus meta data is not passed on to the newly created chunk corpus.

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#### Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

#### **Examples**

```
txt <- system.file("texts", "txt", package = "tm")
ovid <- Corpus(DirSource(txt))
sapply(ovid, length)
ovidChunks <- makeChunks(ovid, 5)
sapply(ovidChunks, length)</pre>
```

materialize

Materialize Lazy Mappings

# **Description**

The function tm\_map supports so-called lazy mappings, that are mappings which are delayed until the documents' content is accessed. This function triggers the evaluation, i.e., it materializes the documents.

## Usage

```
materialize(corpus, range = seq_along(corpus))
```

#### **Arguments**

corpus A document collection with lazy mappings.

range The indices of documents to be materialized.

#### Value

A corpus with materialized, i.e., all mappings computed and applied, documents for the requested range.

#### Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

## See Also

```
tm_map
```

```
data("crude")
x <- tm_map(crude, stemDocument, lazy = TRUE)
x <- materialize(x)</pre>
```

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meta

Meta Data Management

#### Description

Methods to access and modify meta data of documents, corpora, and repositories. In addition to **tm**'s internal meta data structures, Simple Dublin Core meta data mappings are available.

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'Corpus':
meta(x, tag, type = c("indexed", "corpus", "local"))
## S3 method for class 'TextDocument':
meta(x, tag, type = NULL)
## S3 method for class 'TextRepository':
meta(x, tag, type = NULL)
DublinCore(x, tag = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

Either a text document, a corpus, or a text repository.

A character identifying the name of the meta datum.

Type A character specifying which meta data of a corpus should be considered.

#### **Details**

In general this function can be used to display meta information but also to modify individual meta data:

- x = "TextDocument", tag = NULL If no tag is given, this method pretty prints all x's meta data. If tag is provided its value in the meta data is returned.
- x = "Corpus", tag = NULL, type = "indexed" This method investigates the type argument. type must be either indexed (default), local, or corpus. Former is a shortcut for accessing document level meta data (DMetaData) stored at the collection level (because it forms an own entity, or for performance reasons, i.e., a form of indexing, hence the name indexed), local accesses the meta data local to each text document (i.e., meta data in text documents' attributes), and corpus is a shortcut for corpus specific meta data (CMetaData). Depending whether a tag is set or not, all or only the meta data identified by the tag is displayed or modified.
- x = "TextRepository", tag = NULL If no tag is given, this method pretty prints all x's meta data. If tag is provided its value in the meta data is returned.

Simple Dublin Core meta data is only available locally at each document:

x = "TextDocument", tag = NULL Returns or sets the Simple Dublin Core meta datum named tag for x. tag must be a valid Simple Dublin Core element name (i.e, Title, Creator, Subject, Description, Publisher, Contributor, Date, Type, Format, Identifier, Source, Language, Relation, Coverage, or Rights) or NULL. For the latter all Dublin Core meta data are printed.

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#### References

Dublin Core Metadata Initiative. http://dublincore.org/

# **Examples**

```
data("crude")
meta(crude[[1]])
DublinCore(crude[[1]])
meta(crude[[1]], tag = "Topics")
meta(crude[[1]], tag = "Comment") <- "A short comment."
meta(crude[[1]], tag = "Topics") <- NULL
DublinCore(crude[[1]], tag = "Creator") <- "Ano Nymous"
DublinCore(crude[[1]], tag = "Format") <- "XML"
DublinCore(crude[[1]])
meta(crude[[1]])
meta(crude[[1]])
meta(crude, type = "corpus")
meta(crude, "labels") <- 21:40
meta(crude)</pre>
```

names

Row, Column, Dim Names, Document IDs, and Terms

# Description

Retrieve the row names, column names, dimnames, document IDs, and terms of a term-document matrix or document-term matrix.

# **Arguments**

x

Either a term-document matrix or document-term matrix.

```
data("crude")
tdm <- TermDocumentMatrix(crude)[1:10,1:20]
rownames(tdm)
colnames(tdm)
dimnames(tdm)
Docs(tdm)
Terms(tdm)</pre>
```

PCorpus PCorpus

number

The Number of Rows/Columns/Dimensions/Documents/Terms of a Term-Document Matrix

## Description

Return the number of rows, columns, dimensions, documents, and terms of a term-document matrix or a document-term matrix.

#### **Arguments**

Х

Either a term-document matrix or a document-term matrix.

## **Examples**

```
data("crude")
tdm <- TermDocumentMatrix(crude)[1:10,1:20]
ncol(tdm)
nrow(tdm)
dim(tdm)
nDocs(tdm)
nTerms(tdm)</pre>
```

**PCorpus** 

Permanent Corpus Constructor

## **Description**

Construct a permanent corpus.

## Usage

```
PCorpus(x, readerControl = list(reader = x$DefaultReader, language = "eng"), dbCont
DBControl(x)
## S3 method for class 'PCorpus':
DMetaData(x)
```

#### **Arguments**

x A Source object for PCorpus, and a corpus for the other functions.

readerControl

A list with the named components reader representing a reading function capable of handling the file format found in x, and language giving the text's language (preferably in ISO 639-2 format).

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dbControl

A list with the named components <code>dbName</code> giving the filename holding the sourced out documents (i.e., the database), and <code>dbType</code> holding a valid database type as supported by package **filehash**. Under activated database support the <code>tm</code> package tries to keep as few as possible resources in memory under usage of the database.

... Optional arguments for the reader.

#### **Details**

Permanent means that documents are physically stored outside of R (e.g., in a database) and R objects are only pointers to external structures. I.e., changes in the underlying external representation can affect multiple R objects simultaneously.

The constructed corpus object inherits from a list and has three attributes containing meta and database management information:

**CMetaData** Corpus Meta Data contains corpus specific meta data in form of tag-value pairs and information about children in form of a binary tree. This information is useful for reconstructing meta data after e.g. merging corpora.

**DMetaData** Document Meta Data of class data.frame contains document specific meta data for the corpus. This data frame typically encompasses clustering or classification results which basically are metadata for documents but form an own entity (e.g., with its name, the value range, etc.).

**DBControl** Database control field is a list with two named components: dbName holds the path to the permanent database storage, and dbType stores the database type.

#### Value

An object of class PCorpus which extends the classes Corpus and list containing a permanent corpus.

#### Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

# **Examples**

```
txt <- system.file("texts", "txt", package = "tm")
## Not run: PCorpus(DirSource(txt), dbControl = list(dbName = "myDB.db", dbType = "DB1"))</pre>
```

PlainTextDocument Plain Text Document

#### **Description**

Construct an object representing a plain text document with additional meta information.

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#### Usage

```
PlainTextDocument(x = character(0), author = character(0), datetimestamp = as.POSIX
```

## **Arguments**

x Object of class character containing the content.

author Object of class character containing the author names.

datetimestamp

Object of class POSIX1t containing the date and time when the document was

written.

description Object of class character containing additional text information.

heading Object of class character containing the title or a short heading.

id Object of class character containing an identifier.

origin Object of class character containing information on the source and origin of

the text.

language Object of class character containing the language of the text (preferably in

ISO 639-2 format).

localmetadata

Object of class list containing local meta data in form of tag-value pairs.

#### Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

plot

Visualize a Term-Document Matrix

# **Description**

Visualize correlations between terms of a term-document matrix.

## Usage

# **Arguments**

X	A term-document matrix.
terms	Terms to be plotted. Defaults to $20\ \mathrm{randomly}$ chosen terms of the term-document matrix.
corThreshold	Do not plot correlations below this threshold. Defaults to $0.7$ .
weighting	Define whether the line width corresponds to the correlation.
attrs	Argument passed to the plot method for class graphNEL.
	Other arguments passed to the graphNEL plot method.

## **Details**

Visualization requires that package **Rgraphviz** is available.

## **Examples**

```
data(crude)
tdm <- TermDocumentMatrix(crude)
set.seed(1234)
plot(tdm, corThreshold = 0.2, weighting = TRUE)</pre>
```

preprocessReut21578XML

Preprocess the Reuters-21578 XML archive.

# Description

Preprocess the Reuters-21578 XML archive by correcting invalid UTF-8 encodings and copying each text document into a separate file.

# Usage

```
preprocessReut21578XML(input, output, fixEnc = TRUE)
```

## **Arguments**

input	A character describing the input directory.
output	A character describing the output directory.
fixEnc	A logical value indicating whether an invalid UTF-8 encoding in the Reuters-21578 XML dataset should be corrected.

# Value

No explicit return value. As a side product the directory output contains the corrected dataset.

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#### Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

#### References

```
Lewis, David (1997) Reuters-21578 Text Categorization Collection Distribution 1.0. http://kdd.ics.uci.edu/databases/reuters21578/reuters21578.html
```

Luz, Saturnino XML-encoded version of Reuters-21578. http://modnlp.berlios.de/reuters21578. html

prescindMeta

Prescind Document Meta Data

#### **Description**

Extracts meta data from each individual document (either stored in its attributes or in additional user-defined local meta data pairs) of a corpus and creates a data frame which contains both the global meta data information of the corpus plus the extracted (i.e., shifted up) local meta data of the individual text documents.

#### Usage

```
prescindMeta(x, meta)
```

# **Arguments**

x A corpus.

meta A character vector of meta data names to be shifted up.

#### Value

A data frame constructed from x with shifted up meta data.

# See Also

```
DMetaData, and meta
```

```
data("crude")
DMetaData(crude)
meta(crude, tag = "ID", type = "local")
prescindMeta(crude, c("ID", "Heading"))
```

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# Description

Construct an object representing a RCV1 XML text document with meta information.

## Usage

```
RCV1Document(x, author = character(0), datetimestamp = as.POSIX1t(Sys.time(), tz =
```

# **Arguments**

x Object of class list containing the content.

author Object of class character containing the author names.

datetimestamp

Object of class POSIX1t containing the date and time when the document was

written.

description Object of class character containing additional text information.

heading Object of class character containing the title or a short heading.

id Object of class character containing an identifier.

origin Object of class character containing information on the source and origin of

the text.

language Object of class character containing the language of the text (preferably in

ISO 639-2 format).

localmetadata

Object of class list containing local meta data in form of tag-value pairs.

# Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

#### References

```
Lewis, D. D.; Yang, Y.; Rose, T.; and Li, F (2004). RCV1: A New Benchmark Collection for Text Categorization Research. Journal of Machine Learning Research, 5, 361–397. http://www.jmlr.org/papers/volume5/lewis04a/lewis04a.pdf
```

#### See Also

PlainTextDocument and Reuters21578Document

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readDOC

Read In a MS Word Document

# Description

Return a function which reads in a Microsoft Word document extracting its text.

#### Usage

```
readDOC(AntiwordOptions = "", ...)
```

# Arguments

AntiwordOptions

Options passed over to antiword.

... Arguments for the generator function.

#### **Details**

Formally this function is a function generator, i.e., it returns a function (which reads in a text document) with a well-defined signature, but can access passed over arguments (e.g., options to antiword) via lexical scoping.

Note that this MS Word reader needs the tool antiword installed and accessible on your system.

#### Value

A function with the signature elem, language, id:

elem A list with the two named elements content and uri. The first element

must hold the document to be read in, the second element must hold a call to extract this document. The call is evaluated upon a request for load on demand.

language A character vector giving the text's language.

id A character vector representing a unique identification string for the re-

turned text document.

The function returns a PlainTextDocument representing the text in content.

## Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

## See Also

getReaders to list available reader functions.

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readGmane Read In a Gmane RSS Feed	
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# Description

Read in a RSS feed as returned by Gmane for mailing lists.

# Usage

```
readGmane(elem, language, id)
```

# Arguments

elem	A list with the two named elements content and uri. The first element holds the document to be read in, the second element holds a call to extract this document. The call is evaluated upon a request for load on demand.
language	A character vector giving the text's language.
id	A character vector representing a unique identification string for the returned text document.

## Value

A PlainTextDocument.

#### Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

# See Also

getReaders to list available reader functions.

```
gs <- GmaneSource(url("http://rss.gmane.org/gmane.comp.lang.r.general"))
elem <- getElem(stepNext(gs))
(gmane <- readGmane(elem, language = "eng", id = "id1"))
meta(gmane)</pre>
```

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readPDF

Read In a PDF Document

#### **Description**

Return a function which reads in a portable document format (PDF) document extracting both its text and its meta data.

#### Usage

```
readPDF(PdfinfoOptions = "", PdftotextOptions = "", ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

PdfinfoOptions

Options passed over to pdfinfo.

PdftotextOptions

Options passed over to pdftotext.

... Arguments for the generator function.

#### **Details**

Formally this function is a function generator, i.e., it returns a function (which reads in a text document) with a well-defined signature, but can access passed over arguments (e.g., options to pdfinfo or pdftotext) via lexical scoping.

Note that this PDF reader needs both the tools pdftotext and pdfinfo installed and accessible on your system.

#### Value

A function with the signature elem, language, id:

elem A list with the two named elements content and uri. The first element

must hold the document to be read in, the second element must hold a call to extract this document. The call is evaluated upon a request for load on demand.

language A character vector giving the text's language.

id A character vector representing a unique identification string for the re-

turned text document.

The function returns a PlainTextDocument representing the text and meta data in content.

#### Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

#### See Also

getReaders to list available reader functions.

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#### **Examples**

```
f <- system.file("doc", "tm.pdf", package = "tm")
pdf <- readPDF(PdftotextOptions = "-layout")(elem = list(uri = f), language = "eng", id = "i
pdf[1:13]</pre>
```

readPlain

Read In a Text Document

#### **Description**

Return a function which reads in a text document without knowledge about its internal structure and possible available metadata.

#### Usage

```
readPlain(...)
```

#### **Arguments**

. . Arguments for the generator function.

#### **Details**

Formally this function is a function generator, i.e., it returns a function (which reads in a text document) with a well-defined signature, but can access passed over arguments via lexical scoping. This is especially useful for reader functions for complex data structures which need a lot of configuration options.

#### Value

A function with the signature elem, language, id:

elem A list with the two named elements content and uri. The first element

must hold the document to be read in, the second element must hold a call to extract this document. The call is evaluated upon a request for load on demand.

language A character vector giving the text's language.

id A character vector representing a unique identification string for the re-

turned text document.

The function returns a PlainTextDocument representing content.

#### Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

#### See Also

getReaders to list available reader functions.

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#### **Examples**

```
docs <- c("This is a text.", "This another one.")
vs <- VectorSource(docs)
elem <- getElem(stepNext(vs))
(result <- readPlain()(elem, "en", "idl"))
meta(result)</pre>
```

readRCV1

Read In a Reuters Corpus Volume 1 Document

## **Description**

Read in a Reuters Corpus Volume 1 XML document.

#### Usage

```
readRCV1(elem, language, id)
```

# **Arguments**

elem A list with the two named elements content and uri. The first element

holds the document to be read in, the second element holds a call to extract this

document. The call is evaluated upon a request for load on demand.

language A character vector giving the text's language.

A character vector representing a unique identification string for the re-

turned text document.

#### Value

An RCV1Document.

# Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

#### References

```
Lewis, D. D.; Yang, Y.; Rose, T.; and Li, F (2004). RCV1: A New Benchmark Collection for Text Categorization Research. Journal of Machine Learning Research, 5, 361–397. http://www.jmlr.org/papers/volume5/lewis04a/lewis04a.pdf
```

#### See Also

Use getReaders to list available reader functions.

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#### **Examples**

```
f <- system.file("texts", "rcv1_2330.xml", package = "tm")
rcv1 <- readRCV1(elem = list(content = readLines(f)), language = "eng", id = "id1")
meta(rcv1)</pre>
```

readReut21578XML

Read In a Reuters-21578 XML Document

#### **Description**

Read in a Reuters-21578 XML document.

#### Usage

```
readReut21578XML(elem, language, id)
readReut21578XMLasPlain(elem, language, id)
```

#### **Arguments**

elem A list with the two named elements content and uri. The first element

holds the document to be read in, the second element holds a call to extract this

document. The call is evaluated upon a request for load on demand.

language A character vector giving the text's language.

id A character vector representing a unique identification string for the re-

turned text document.

#### Value

A Reuters 21578 Document for read Reut 21578 XML, or a Plain Text Document for read Reut 21578 XML as P.

# Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

#### References

```
Lewis, David (1997) Reuters-21578 Text Categorization Collection Distribution 1.0. http://kdd.ics.uci.edu/databases/reuters21578/reuters21578.html

Luz, Saturnino XML-encoded version of Reuters-21578. http://modnlp.berlios.de/reuters21578.html
```

#### See Also

getReaders to list available reader functions.

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readTabular

Read In a Text Document

## **Description**

Return a function which reads in a text document from a tabular data structure (like a data frame or a list matrix) with knowledge about its internal structure and possible available metadata as specified by a so-called mapping.

# Usage

```
readTabular(mapping, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

mapping A named list of characters. The constructed reader will map each char-

acter entry to the content or meta datum of the text document as specified by the named list entry. Valid names include Content to access the document's content, any valid attribute name, and characters which are mapped to

LocalMetaData entries.

... Arguments for the generator function.

#### **Details**

Formally this function is a function generator, i.e., it returns a function (which reads in a text document) with a well-defined signature, but can access passed over arguments (e.g., the mapping) via lexical scoping.

#### Value

A function with the signature elem, language, id:

elem A list with the two named elements content and uri. The first element

must hold the document to be read in, the second element must hold a call to extract this document. The call is evaluated upon a request for load on demand.

language A character vector giving the text's language.

id A character vector representing a unique identification string for the re-

turned text document.

The function returns a PlainTextDocument representing content.

# Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

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#### See Also

Vignette 'Extensions: How to Handle Custom File Formats'.

getReaders to list available reader functions.

## **Examples**

readXML

Read In an XML Document

# Description

Return a function which reads in an XML document. The structure of the XML document can be described with a so-called specification.

## Usage

```
readXML(spec, doc, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

spec

A named list of lists each containing two character vectors. The constructed reader will map each list entry to a attribute or meta datum corresponding to the named list entry. Valid names include Content to access the document's content, any valid attribute name, and characters which are mapped to LocalMetaData entries.

Each list entry must consist of two character vectors: the first describes the type of the second argument, and the second is the specification entry. Valid combinations are:

**type = "node", spec = "XPathExpression"** The XPath expression spec extracts information from an XML node.

**type = "attribute", spec = "XPathExpression"** The XPath expression spec extracts information from an attribute of an XML node.

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type = "function", spec = function(tree) ... The function spec is called, passing over a tree representation (as delivered by xmlInternalTreeParse
from package XML) of the read in XML document as first argument.

**type = "unevaluated", spec = "String"** The character vector spec is returned without modification.

doc An (empty) document of some subclass of TextDocument

... Arguments for the generator function.

#### Details

Formally this function is a function generator, i.e., it returns a function (which reads in a text document) with a well-defined signature, but can access passed over arguments (e.g., the specification) via lexical scoping.

#### Value

A function with the signature elem, language, id:

elem A list with the two named elements content and uri. The first element

must hold the document to be read in, the second element must hold a call to extract this document. The call is evaluated upon a request for load on demand.

language A character vector giving the text's language.

id A character vector representing a unique identification string for the re-

turned text document.

The function returns doc augmented by the parsed information out of the XML file as described by spec.

#### Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

#### See Also

Vignette 'Extensions: How to Handle Custom File Formats'.

getReaders to list available reader functions.

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```
Origin = list("unevaluated", "Reuters-21578 XML"),
Topics = list("node", "/REUTERS/TOPICS/D")),
doc = Reuters21578Document())
## End(Not run)
```

removeNumbers

Remove Numbers from a Text Document

# **Description**

Stip any numbers from a text document.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'PlainTextDocument':
removeNumbers(x)
```

#### **Arguments**

A text document.

#### Value

The text document with any numbers in it removed.

# See Also

getTransformations to list available transformation (mapping) functions.

# **Examples**

```
data("crude")
crude[[1]]
removeNumbers(crude[[1]])
```

removePunctuation Remove Punctuation Marks from a Text Document

# Description

Remove all punctuation marks from a text document.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'PlainTextDocument':
removePunctuation(x)
```

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#### **Arguments**

x A text document.

#### Value

The text document with any punctuation marks in it removed.

#### See Also

getTransformations to list available transformation (mapping) functions.

## **Examples**

```
data("crude")
crude[[1]]
removePunctuation(crude[[1]])
```

removeSparseTerms Remove Sparse Terms from a Term-Document Matrix

# **Description**

Remove sparse terms from a term-document matrix.

#### Usage

```
removeSparseTerms(x, sparse)
```

# Arguments

x A term-document matrix.

sparse A numeric for the maximal allowed sparsity.

#### Value

A term-document matrix where those terms from x are removed which have at least a sparse percentage of empty (i.e., terms occurring 0 times in a document) elements. I.e., the resulting matrix contains only terms with a sparse factor of less than sparse.

```
data("crude")
tdm <- TermDocumentMatrix(crude)
removeSparseTerms(tdm, 0.2)</pre>
```

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removeWords

Remove Words from a Text Document

# **Description**

Remove a set of words from a text document.

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'PlainTextDocument':
removeWords(x, words)
```

# Arguments

x A text document.

words A character vector list the words to be removed.

#### Value

The text document with the specified words in it removed.

#### See Also

getTransformations to list available transformation (mapping) functions.

## **Examples**

```
data("crude")
crude[[1]]
removeWords(crude[[1]], stopwords("english"))
```

Reuters21578Document

Reuters-21578 Text Document

## **Description**

Construct an object representing a Reuters-21578 XML text document with meta information.

## Usage

```
Reuters21578Document(x, author = character(0), datetimestamp = as.POSIXlt(Sys.time
```

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#### **Arguments**

x Object of class list containing the content.

author Object of class character containing the author names.

datetimestamp

Object of class POSIX1t containing the date and time when the document was

written.

description Object of class character containing additional text information. heading Object of class character containing the title or a short heading.

id Object of class character containing an identifier.

origin Object of class character containing information on the source and origin of

the text.

language Object of class character containing the language of the text (preferably in

ISO 639-2 format).

localmetadata

Object of class list containing local meta data in form of tag-value pairs.

#### Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

#### References

```
Lewis, David (1997) Reuters-21578 Text Categorization Collection Distribution 1.0. http://kdd.ics.uci.edu/databases/reuters21578/reuters21578.html
```

Luz, Saturnino XML-encoded version of Reuters-21578. http://modnlp.berlios.de/reuters21578.html

# See Also

PlainTextDocument and RCV1Document

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Reuters-21578 XML Source

#### **Description**

Construct a source for an input containing several Reuters-21578 XML documents.

#### Usage

```
ReutersSource(x, encoding = "UTF-8")
```

#### **Arguments**

x Either a character identifying the file or a connection.

encoding A character giving the encoding of x.

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#### Value

An object of class XMLSource which extends the class Source representing a Reuters-21578 XML document.

## Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

#### References

```
Lewis, David (1997) Reuters-21578 Text Categorization Collection Distribution 1.0. http://kdd.ics.uci.edu/databases/reuters21578/reuters21578.html

Luz, Saturnino XML-encoded version of Reuters-21578. http://modnlp.berlios.de/reuters21578.html
```

## **Examples**

```
reuters21578 <- system.file("texts", "reuters-21578.xml", package = "tm")
rs <- ReutersSource(reuters21578)
inspect(Corpus(rs)[1:2])</pre>
```

searchFullText

Full Text Search

#### **Description**

Perform a full text search in text documents.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'PlainTextDocument':
searchFullText(x, pattern)
```

## **Arguments**

x A text document.

pattern A regular expression as accepted by gsub.

#### Value

TRUE if the regular expression pattern matches in x, otherwise FALSE.

#### See Also

getFilters to list available filter functions.

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#### **Examples**

```
data("crude")
searchFullText(crude[[1]], "co[m]?pany")
```

sFilter

Statement Filter

#### **Description**

Filter meta data by user-defined statements.

## Usage

```
sFilter(x, s)
```

# Arguments

```
x A Corpus.

s A statement of format "tag1 == 'expr1' & tag2 == 'expr2' & ...".
```

#### **Details**

The statement s models a simple query language. It consists of an expression as passed over to a data frame for subsetting. Tags in s represent meta data variables. Variables only available at document level are shifted up to the data frame if necessary. Note that the meta data tags for the slots Author, DateTimeStamp, Description, ID, Origin and Heading are author, datetimestamp, description, id, origin and heading, respectively, to avoid name conflicts.

## Value

A logical vector to represent the subset of the DMetaData (extended for shifted up variables) data frame as specified by the statement.

## Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

#### See Also

getFilters to list available filter functions.

```
data("crude")
sFilter(crude, "id == '127' & heading == 'DIAMOND SHAMROCK (DIA) CUTS CRUDE PRICES'")
```

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Source Access Sources

#### **Description**

Methods to access sources which abstract input locations, like a directory, a connection, or simply an R vector.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'DataframeSource':
eoi(x)
## S3 method for class 'DirSource':
eoi(x)
## S3 method for class 'URISource':
eoi(x)
## S3 method for class 'VectorSource':
eoi(x)
## S3 method for class 'XMLSource':
eoi(x)
## S3 method for class 'DataframeSource':
getElem(x)
## S3 method for class 'DirSource':
getElem(x)
## S3 method for class 'URISource':
getElem(x)
## S3 method for class 'VectorSource':
getElem(x)
## S3 method for class 'XMLSource':
getElem(x)
## S3 method for class 'DataframeSource':
pGetElem(x)
## S3 method for class 'DirSource':
pGetElem(x)
## S3 method for class 'VectorSource':
pGetElem(x)
## S3 method for class 'Source':
stepNext(x)
```

#### **Arguments**

A source.

#### **Details**

The class Source is implemented as a list with following components:

**DefaultReader** Object of class function holding a default reader.

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**Encoding** Object of class character holding the encoding of the texts delivered by the source.

**Length** Object of class numeric denoting the number of the elements delivered by the source. If the number cannot be determined in advance it is set to zero.

**LoDSupport** Object of class logical indicating whether this source supports load on demand. **Position** object of class numeric indicating the position in the source.

**Vectorized** object of class logical indicating the ability for parallel element access.

The function eoi returns TRUE if the end of input of the source is reached. getElem fetches the element at the current position, whereas pGetElem retrieves all elements in parallel at once. stepNext increases the position in the source to the next element.

#### Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

#### See Also

getSources to list available sources.

stemCompletion

Complete Stems

## **Description**

Heuristically complete stemmed words.

## Usage

```
stemCompletion(x, words, type = c("prevalent", "first"))
```

## **Arguments**

x A Corpus to be searched for possible completions.

words A character vector of stems to be completed.

type A character naming the heuristics to be used: prevalent is default and

takes the most frequent match as completion, whereas first takes the first

found completion.

#### Value

A character vector with completed words.

#### Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

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## **Examples**

```
data("crude")
stemCompletion(crude, c("compan", "entit", "suppl"))
```

stemDocument

Stem Words

# Description

Stem words in a text document using Porter's stemming algorithm.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'PlainTextDocument':
stemDocument(x, language = "english")
```

## **Arguments**

x A text document.

language A character setting the language to be used for stemming.

#### **Details**

The argument language is passed over to SnowballStemmer as the name of the snowball stemmer.

# **Examples**

```
data("crude")
crude[[1]]
stemDocument(crude[[1]])
```

stopwords

Multilingual Stopwords

# Description

Return stopwords in different languages.

# Usage

```
stopwords(language = "eng")
```

## **Arguments**

language

A character giving the desired language.

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## **Details**

At the moment supported languages are danish, dutch, english, finnish, french, german, hungarian, italian, norwegian, portuguese, russian, spanish, and swedish. Alternatively, their ISO 639-2 code may be used.

#### Value

A character vector containing the requested stopwords.

# **Examples**

```
stopwords("eng")
```

stripWhitespace

Strip Whitespace from a Text Document

# Description

Strip extra whitespace from a text document. Multiple white space characters are collapsed to a single blank.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'PlainTextDocument':
stripWhitespace(x)
```

#### **Arguments**

Х

A text document.

## Value

The text document with multiple white space characters collapse to a single blank.

## See Also

getTransformations to list available transformation (mapping) functions.

```
data("crude")
crude[[1]]
stripWhitespace(crude[[1]])
```

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TermDocumentMatrix Term-Document Matrix

## **Description**

Constructs a term-document matrix or a document-term matrix.

#### Usage

```
TermDocumentMatrix(x, control = list())
DocumentTermMatrix(x, control = list())
```

## **Arguments**

x a corpus

control

a named list of control options. The component weighting must be a weighting function capable of handling a TermDocumentMatrix. It defaults to weightTf for term frequency weighting. All other options are delegated internally to a termFreq call.

#### Value

An object of class TermDocumentMatrix or class DocumentTermMatrix containing a sparse term-document matrix or document-term matrix. The attribute Weighting contains the weighting applied to the matrix.

## Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

#### See Also

The documentation of termFreq gives an extensive list of possible options.

Available weighting functions shipped with the tm package are weightIff, weightIfIdf, and weightBin.

```
data("crude")
tdm <- TermDocumentMatrix(crude, control = list(weighting = weightTfIdf, stopwords = TRUE))
dtm <- DocumentTermMatrix(crude, control = list(weighting = weightTfIdf, stopwords = TRUE))
inspect(tdm[165:170,1:5])
inspect(dtm[1:5,165:170])</pre>
```

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termFreq

Term Frequency Vector

#### **Description**

Generate a term frequency vector from a text document.

## Usage

```
termFreq(doc, control = list())
```

## **Arguments**

doc

An object inheriting from TextDocument.

control

A list of control options. Possible settings are

tolower A function converting characters to lower case. Defaults to base::tolower.

**tokenize** A function tokenizing documents to single tokens. Defaults to AlphabeticTokenizer (package **RWeka**), where tokens are to be formed only from contiguous alphabetic sequences.

**removeNumbers** A logical value indicating whether numbers should be removed from doc. Defaults to FALSE.

**stemming** Either a Boolean value indicating whether tokens should be stemmed or a stemming function. Defaults to FALSE.

**stopwords** Either a Boolean value indicating stopword removal using default language specific stopword lists shipped with this package or a character vector holding custom stopwords. Defaults to FALSE.

**dictionary** A character vector to be tabulated against. No other terms will be listed in the result. Terms from the dictionary not occurring in the document at all will be skipped for performance reasons. Defaults to no action (i.e., all terms are considered).

**minDocFreq** An integer value. Words that appear less often in doc than this number are discarded. Defaults to 1 (i.e., every token will be used).

minWordLength An integer value. Words smaller than this number are discarded. Defaults to length 3.

#### Value

A named integer vector with term frequencies as values and tokens as names.

```
data("crude")
termFreq(crude[[1]])
termFreq(crude[[1]], control = list(stemming = TRUE, minWordLength = 4))
```

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TextDocument Access and Modify Text Documents

#### **Description**

Access the meta data of text documents, and access and modify the content of text documents.

#### **Details**

The class TextDocument provides an abstraction over the concept of text documents and attached meta data which is stored in following attributes:

Author Object of class character containing the author names.

**DateTimeStamp** Object of class POSIX1t containing the date and time when the document was written.

**Description** Object of class character containing additional text information.

ID Object of class character containing an identifier.

Origin Object of class character containing information on the source and origin of the text.

Heading Object of class character containing the title or a short heading.

Language Object of class character containing the language of the text.

**LocalMetaData** Object of class list containing additional meta data in form of tag-value pairs which is local to each individual text document.

## Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

## See Also

meta and DublinCore which provide a unified interface for meta data management.

TextRepository Text Repository

#### **Description**

Construct a text repository for corpora. A repository is designed to keep track of multiple corpora, either different ones, or corpora with the same underlying texts but at different preprocessing stages.

#### Usage

```
TextRepository(x, meta = list(created = as.POSIXlt(Sys.time(), tz = "GMT")))
```

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## **Arguments**

x A corpus.

meta An initial list of tag-value pairs for the repository meta data.

#### Value

An object of class TextRepository which extends the class list containing corpora. Meta data annotations are stored in the attribute RepoMetaData in form of tag-value pairs (i.e., a named list).

## Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

## **Examples**

```
data("crude")
repo <- TextRepository(crude)
summary(repo)
RepoMetaData(repo)</pre>
```

tm\_cluster

Allow 'tm' to Use a Cluster

## **Description**

tm can use a (MPI) cluster if available on your system.

# Usage

```
tm_startCluster()
tm_stopCluster()
```

## Details

 $tm\_startCluster$  first investigates the MPI environment and tries to attach to a running MPI instance. If no MPI instance is found the function starts a new one. On success tm functions automatically use the cluster.

tm\_stopCluster shuts down a running MPI instance.

## Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

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Combine Corpora and Documents

## **Description**

Combine serveral corpora into a single one or combine multiple documents into a corpus.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'Corpus':
c(x, ..., recursive = FALSE)
## S3 method for class 'TextDocument':
c(x, ..., recursive = FALSE)
```

#### **Arguments**

A corpus or a text document.Corpora or text documents.

recursive Logical. Provided by generic function definition but not used.

#### **Details**

Meta data from input objects (corpora or documents) is preserved during concatenation and intelligently merged into the newly created corpus. Although we use a sophisticated merging strategy (by using a binary tree for corpus specific meta data and by joining document level specific meta data in data frames) you should check the newly created meta data for consistency when merging corpora with (partly) identical meta data. However, in most cases the meta data merging strategy will produce validly combined and arranged meta data structures.

## **Examples**

```
data("acq")
data("crude")
summary(c(acq,crude))
summary(c(acq[[30]],crude[[10]]))
```

tm\_filter

Filter and Index Functions on Corpora

## **Description**

Interface to apply filter and index functions to corpora.

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#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'Corpus':
tm_filter(x, ..., FUN = searchFullText, doclevel = TRUE, useMeta = FALSE)
## S3 method for class 'Corpus':
tm_index(x, ..., FUN = searchFullText, doclevel = TRUE, useMeta = FALSE)
```

#### **Arguments**

x A corpus.

... Arguments to FUN.

FUN A filter function returning a logical value.

doclevel Logical. If the document level flag is set FUN is applied to each element of x,

otherwise FUN is applied to x itself. If FUN has an attribute doclevel its

value will be automatically used.

useMeta Logical. Should DMetaData be passed over to FUN as argument?

#### Value

tm\_filter returns a corpus containing documents where FUN matches, whereas tm\_index only returns the corresponding indices.

#### See Also

sFilter for a filter using a simple statement query language, and getFilters to list available filter and index functions.

## **Examples**

```
data("crude")
attr(searchFullText, "doclevel")
tm_filter(crude, FUN = searchFullText, "company")
tm_index(crude, FUN = searchFullText, "company")
```

tm\_intersect

Intersection between Documents and Words

## **Description**

Perform intersection on text documents and words.

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'PlainTextDocument':
tm_intersect(x, y)
```

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## Arguments

x A text document.

y A character vector of words to be intersected with.

## Value

A logical value indicating whether a word in y appears in x.

#### See Also

```
getFilters to list available filter functions.
```

## **Examples**

```
data("crude")
crude[[1]]
tm_intersect(crude[[1]], c("crude", "oil"))
tm_intersect(crude[[1]], "acquisition")
```

tm\_map

Transformations on Corpora

## Description

Interface to apply transformation functions (also denoted as mappings) to corpora.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'PCorpus':
tm_map(x, FUN, ..., useMeta = FALSE, lazy = FALSE)
## S3 method for class 'VCorpus':
tm_map(x, FUN, ..., useMeta = FALSE, lazy = FALSE)
```

# Arguments

x A	corpus.
-----	---------

FUN A transformation function returning a text document.

... Arguments to FUN.

useMeta Logical. Should DMetaData be passed over to FUN as argument?

lazy Logical. Lazy mappings are mappings which are delayed until the documents'

content is accessed. Lazy mapping is useful when working with large corpora but only few documents will be accessed, as it avoids the computationally ex-

pensive application of the mapping to all elements in the corpus.

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#### Value

A corpus with FUN applied to each document in x. In case of lazy mappings only annotations are stored which are evaluated upon access of individual documents which trigger the execution of the corresponding transformation function.

#### Note

Please be aware that lazy transformations are an experimental feature and change R's standard evaluation semantics.

#### See Also

getTransformations for available transformations, and materialize for manually triggering the materialization of documents with pending lazy transformations.

## **Examples**

```
data("crude")
tm_map(crude, stemDocument)
## Generate a custom transformation function which takes the heading as new content
headings <- function(x) PlainTextDocument(Heading(x), id = ID(x), language = Language(x))
inspect(tm_map(crude, headings))</pre>
```

tm\_reduce

Combine Transformations

## Description

Fold multiple transformations (mappings) into a single one.

## Usage

```
tm_reduce(x, tmFuns, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

x A corpus.

tmFuns A list of **tm** transformations.

... Arguments to the individual transformations.

#### Value

A single **tm** transformation function.

#### Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

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# See Also

Reduce for R's internal folding/accumulation mechanism, and getTransformations to list available transformation (mapping) functions.

## **Examples**

```
data(crude)
crude[[1]]
skipWords <- function(x) removeWords(x, c("it", "the"))
funs <- list(tolower, removePunctuation, skipWords, stripWhitespace)
tm_map(crude, FUN = tm_reduce, tmFuns = funs)[[1]]</pre>
```

URISource

Uniform Resource Identifier Source

## Description

Constructs a source which represents a single document located by a uniform resource identifier.

## Usage

```
URISource (x, encoding = "UTF-8")
```

## **Arguments**

x The Uniform Resource Identifier, i.e., either a character identifying the file or a connection.

encoding A character giving the encoding of x.

#### Value

An object of class URISource which extends the class Source representing a single document located by a URI.

#### Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

## See Also

DirSource for accessing multiple files, and getSources to list available sources.

```
loreipsum <- system.file("texts", "loremipsum.txt", package = "tm")
us <- URISource(loreipsum)
inspect(Corpus(us))</pre>
```

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Volatile Corpus

#### Description

Data structures and operators for volatile corpora.

## Usage

```
Corpus(x, readerControl = list(reader = x$DefaultReader, language = "eng"), ...)
VCorpus(x, readerControl = list(reader = x$DefaultReader, language = "eng"), ...)
## S3 method for class 'VCorpus':
DMetaData(x)
## S3 method for class 'Corpus':
CMetaData(x)
```

#### **Arguments**

x A Source object for Corpus and VCorpus, and a corpus for the other functions.

readerControl

A list with the named components reader representing a reading function capable of handling the file format found in x, and language giving the text's language (preferably in ISO 639-2 format).

.. Optional arguments for the reader.

#### Details

Volatile means that the corpus is fully kept in memory and thus all changes only affect the corresponding R object. In contrast there is also a corpus implementation available providing a permanent semantics (see PCorpus).

The constructed corpus object inherits from a list and has two attributes containing meta information:

**CMetaData** Corpus Meta Data contains corpus specific meta data in form of tag-value pairs and information about children in form of a binary tree. This information is useful for reconstructing meta data after e.g. merging corpora.

**DMetaData** Document Meta Data of class data.frame contains document specific meta data for the corpus. This data frame typically encompasses clustering or classification results which basically are metadata for documents but form an own entity (e.g., with its name, the value range, etc.).

#### Value

An object of class VCorpus which extends the classes Corpus and list containing a collection of text documents.

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#### Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

# **Examples**

```
reut21578 <- system.file("texts", "crude", package = "tm")
(r <- Corpus(DirSource(reut21578), readerControl = list(reader = readReut21578XMLasPlain)))</pre>
```

VectorSource

Vector Source

# **Description**

Constructs a source for a vector as input.

## Usage

```
VectorSource(x, encoding = "UTF-8")
```

## Arguments

x A vector.

encoding A character giving the encoding of x.

#### Value

An object of class VectorSource which extends the class Source representing a vector where each entry is interpreted as a document.

#### Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

## See Also

getSources to list available sources.

```
docs <- c("This is a text.", "This another one.")
(vs <- VectorSource(docs))
inspect(Corpus(vs))</pre>
```

WeightFunction

weightBin

Weight Binary

# Description

Binary weight a term-document matrix.

#### Usage

```
weightBin(m)
```

## **Arguments**

m

A TermDocumentMatrix in term frequency format.

#### **Details**

Formally this function is of class WeightingFunction with the additional attributes Name and Acronym.

#### Value

The weighted matrix.

## Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

WeightFunction

Weighting Function

## **Description**

Construct a weighting function for term-document matrices.

## Usage

```
WeightFunction(x, name, acronym)
```

## **Arguments**

x A function which takes a TermDocumentMatrix with term frequencies as

input, weights the elements, and returns the weighted matrix.

name A character naming the weighting function.

acronym A character giving an acronym for the name of the weighting function.

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## Value

An object of class WeightFunction which extends the class function representing a weighting function.

## Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

## **Examples**

```
weightCutBin <- WeightFunction(function(m, cutoff) m > cutoff, "binary with cutoff", "bincut
```

weightTf

Weight by Term Frequency

# Description

Weight a term-document matrix by term frequency.

## Usage

```
weightTf(x)
```

#### **Arguments**

Х

A TermDocumentMatrix in term frequency format.

#### **Details**

Formally this function is of class WeightingFunction with the additional attributes Name and Acronym.

This function acts as the identity function since the input matrix is already in term frequency format.

## Value

The weighted matrix.

#### Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

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weightTfIdf

Weight by Term Frequency - Inverse Document Frequency

# Description

Weight a term-document matrix by term frequency - inverse document frequency.

#### Usage

```
weightTfIdf(m)
```

#### **Arguments**

m

A TermDocumentMatrix in term frequency format.

#### **Details**

Formally this function is of class WeightingFunction with the additional attributes Name and Acronym.

#### Value

The weighted matrix.

# Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

writeCorpus

Write a Corpus to Disk

# Description

Write a plain text representation of a corpus to multiple files on disk corresponding to the individual documents in the corpus.

# Usage

```
writeCorpus(x, path = ".", filenames = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

x A corpus.

path A character listing the directory to be written into.

filenames Either NULL or a character vector. In case no filenames are provided, filenames

are automatically generated by using the documents' ID strings in x.

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# Examples

```
data("crude")
## Not run: writeCorpus(crude, path = ".", filenames = paste(seq_along(crude), ".txt", sep =
```

XMLSource XML Source

# Description

Constructs a source for an XML file.

#### Usage

```
XMLSource(x, parser, reader, encoding = "UTF-8")
```

#### **Arguments**

Either a character identifying a file or a connection.

A function accepting an XML tree (as delivered by xmlTreeParse in package XML) as input and returning a list of XML elements.

A function capable of turning XML elements as returned by parser into a subclass of TextDocument.

encoding A character giving the encoding of x.

#### Value

An object of class XMLSource which extends the class Source representing an XML file.

# Author(s)

Ingo Feinerer

#### See Also

Vignette 'Extensions: How to Handle Custom File Formats'.

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