

# Informatics Applied to Qualitative Data: Part-I (MPH Course: Health Informatics and Decision Making)

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## 1. Loading free text documents and creating text Corpus

We will use the `tm` package in R to create a text corpus and perform initial data preprocessing.

```
rm(list = ls())
setwd("C:/Users/zoies/Desktop/StLuke_MicrosoftPC/Teaching/HI-2023/W8Handson")
txt.csv <- read.csv("GPSAsummary_class.csv")
#load tm package
library(tm)
txt.csv$GPSA.summary <- iconv(txt.csv$GPSA.summary, to = "utf-8")
txt<-Corpus(VectorSource(as.vector(txt.csv$GPSA.summary)))

# Created a corpus, you may inspect the first 3 documents using the following code
inspect(txt[1:3])
```

```
<> Metadata: corpus specific: 1, document level (indexed): 0 Content: documents: 3
```

- [1] This article is a summary of an alert from the Pennsylvania Patient Safety Authority addressing the role of storage of medications in medication patient safety incidents. Actions to reduce risk for pharmacies are provided. [2] This Risk Alert discusses two medication patient safety incidents involving two high alert drugs - warfarin and heparin - where the wrong dose was dispensed and/or administered. [3] This Risk Alert discusses five medication patient safety incidents with high alert medications.

```
# or you wish to inspect a particular doc  
writeLines(as.character(txt[[20]]))
```

This short prevention strategy describes resources that should be readily available to deal with local anesthetic toxicity. The focus is on keeping a lipid emulsion for treatment and processes to ensure effective mitigation of the toxicity.

## 2. Preprocessing / Data preparation - Text transformation

Let use `getTransformations()` function to see all available text transformations currently available within `tm`

```
getTransformations()
```

```
[1] "removeNumbers" "removePunctuation" "removeWords"  
[4] "stemDocument" "stripWhitespace"
```

### 2.1 tolower

```
txt <- tm_map(txt, content_transformer(tolower))  
inspect(txt[1:3])
```

```
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```

```
[1] this article is a summary of an alert from the pennsylvania patient safety authority addressing the role  
of storage of medications in medication patient safety incidents. actions to reduce risk for pharmacies are  
provided. [2] this risk alert discusses two medication patient safety incidents involving two high alert drugs  
- warfarin and heparin - where the wrong dose was dispensed and/or administered.  
[3] this risk alert discusses five medication patient safety incidents with high alert medications.
```

### 2.2 removeNumbers

```
txt <- tm_map(txt, removeNumbers)  
inspect(txt[1:3])
```

```
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```

```
[1] this article is a summary of an alert from the pennsylvania patient safety authority addressing the role  
of storage of medications in medication patient safety incidents. actions to reduce risk for pharmacies are  
provided. [2] this risk alert discusses two medication patient safety incidents involving two high alert drugs  
- warfarin and heparin - where the wrong dose was dispensed and/or administered.  
[3] this risk alert discusses five medication patient safety incidents with high alert medications.
```

### 2.3 removePunctuation

```
txt <- tm_map(txt, removePunctuation)
inspect(txt[1:3])
```

<> Metadata: corpus specific: 1, document level (indexed): 0 Content: documents: 3

[1] this article is a summary of an alert from the pennsylvania patient safety authority addressing the role of storage of medications in medication patient safety incidents actions to reduce risk for pharmacies are provided [2] this risk alert discusses two medication patient safety incidents involving two high alert drugs warfarin and heparin where the wrong dose was dispensed andor administered [3] this risk alert discusses five medication patient safety incidents with high alert medications

## 2.4 removeWords

```
txt <- tm_map(txt, removeWords, stopwords("english"))
inspect(txt[1:3])
```

<> Metadata: corpus specific: 1, document level (indexed): 0 Content: documents: 3

[1] article summary alert pennsylvania patient safety authority addressing role storage medications medication patient safety incidents actions reduce risk pharmacies provided [2] risk alert discusses two medication patient safety incidents involving two high alert drugs warfarin heparin wrong dose dispensed andor administered [3] risk alert discusses five medication patient safety incidents high alert medications

## 2.5 stripWhitespace

```
txt <- tm_map(txt, stripWhitespace)
inspect(txt[1:3])
```

<> Metadata: corpus specific: 1, document level (indexed): 0 Content: documents: 3

[1] article summary alert pennsylvania patient safety authority addressing role storage medications medication patient safety incidents actions reduce risk pharmacies provided [2] risk alert discusses two medication patient safety incidents involving two high alert drugs warfarin heparin wrong dose dispensed andor administered [3] risk alert discusses five medication patient safety incidents high alert medications

## 2.6 stemDocument

```
txt <- tm_map(txt, stemDocument, language = "english")
inspect(txt[1:3])
```

<> Metadata: corpus specific: 1, document level (indexed): 0 Content: documents: 3

[1] articl summari alert pennsylvania patient safeti author address role storag medic medic patient safeti incid action reduc risk pharmaci provid [2] risk alert discuss two medic patient safeti incid involv two high alert drug warfarin heparin wrong dose dispens andor administ [3] risk alert discuss five medic patient safeti incid high alert medic

```
txtAll <- TermDocumentMatrix(txt)
```

```
inspect(txtAll[1:8, 1:3])
```

«TermDocumentMatrix (terms: 8, documents: 3)» Non-/sparse entries: 16/8 Sparsity : 33% Maximal term length: 7 Weighting : term frequency (tf) Sample : Docs Terms 1 2 3 action 1 0 0 address 1 0 0 alert 1 2 2 articl 1 0 0 author 1 0 0 incid 1 1 1 medic 2 1 2 patient 2 1 1

```
#display the first 8 terms, from the first 3 documents
```

### 3. Saving Structured Data

```
txt.matrix <- as.matrix(txtAll) ## turn doc matrix to matrix  
txtdata<- data.frame(txt.matrix) ## turn matrix to data frame
```

```
## Transpose dataframe - from column to row  
txtdata <- t(txtdata)  
txtdata <- as.data.frame(txtdata)
```

```
## indexing row  
rownames(txtdata) <- 1:nrow(txtdata)
```

```
# add the LASA class into the dataframe  
txtdata$LASAcases<-txt.csv$LASAcases
```

```
## write csv file  
write.csv(txtdata, "DatasetLASA.csv")
```