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addDictionaryEntry Adds an entry to a dictionary.

Description

This function creates adds a new entry to the given dictionary.

Usage

```
addDictionaryEntry(labbcat.url, manager.id, dictionary.id, key, entry)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url	URL to the LaBB-CAT instance
manager.id	The layer manager ID of the dictionary, as returned by getDictionaries
dictionary.id	The ID of the dictionary, as returned by getDictionaries
key	The key (word) in the dictionary to add an entry for.
entry	The value (definition) for the given key.

Details

You must have edit privileges in LaBB-CAT in order to be able to use this function.

Value

NULL if the entry was added, or a list of error messages if not.

See Also

```
getDictionaries
getDictionaryEntries
```

Examples

```
## Not run:
## Add the word "robert" to the CELEX wordform pronunciation dictionary
addDictionaryEntry(labbcat.url, "CELEX-EN", "Phonology (wordform)", "robert", "'rQ-b@t")
## End(Not run)
```

addLayerDictionaryEntry

Adds an entry to a layer dictionary.

Description

This function adds a new entry to the dictionary that manages a given layer, and updates all affected tokens in the corpus. Words can have multiple entries.

Usage

```
addLayerDictionaryEntry(labbcat.url, layer.id, key, entry)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance

layer.id The ID of the layer with a dictionary configured to manage it.

key The key (word) in the dictionary to add an entry for.

entry The value (definition) for the given key.

Details

You must have edit privileges in LaBB-CAT in order to be able to use this function.

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Value

NULL if the entry was added, or a list of error messages if not.

See Also

```
generateLayer
```

Examples

```
## Not run:
## Add a pronunciation for the word "robert" to the phonemes layer dictionary
addLayerDictionaryEntry(labbcat.url, "phonemes", "robert", "'rQ-b@t")
## End(Not run)
```

annotatorExt

Retrieve annotator's "ext" resource.

Description

Retrieve a given resource from an annotator's "ext" web app. Annotators are modules that perform different annotation tasks, and can optionally implement functionality for providing extra data or extending functionality in an annotator-specific way. If the annotator implements an "ext" web app, it can provide resources and implement a mechanism for iterrogating the annotator. This function provides a mechanism for accessing these resources via R.

Usage

```
annotatorExt(labbcat.url, annotator.id, resource, parameters = NULL)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance.
annotator.id ID of the annotator to interrogate.

resource The name of the file to retrieve or instance method (function) to invoke. Possible

values for this depend on the specific annotator being interrogated.

parameters Optional list of ordered parameters for the instance method (function).

Value

The resource requested.

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Examples

countAnnotations

Gets the number of annotations on the given layer of the given transcript.

Description

Returns the number of annotations on the given layer of the given transcript.

Usage

```
countAnnotations(labbcat.url, id, layer.id, max.ordinal = NULL)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance

id A transcript ID (i.e. transcript name)

layer.id A layer ID

max.ordinal The maximum ordinal for the counted annotations. e.g. a max.ordinal of 1 will

ensure that only the first annotation for each parent is returned. If max.ordinal

is null, then all annotations are counted, regardless of their ordinal.

Value

The number of annotations on that layer

See Also

getTranscriptIds getTranscriptIdsInCorpus getTranscriptIdsWithParticipant

Examples

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"

## Count the number of words in UC427_ViktoriaPapp_A_ENG.eaf
token.count <- countAnnotations(labbcat.url, "UC427_ViktoriaPapp_A_ENG.eaf", "orthography")

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

countMatchingAnnotations

Gets the number of annotations matching a particular pattern.

Description

Returns the number of annotations in the corpus that match the given expression.

Usage

```
countMatchingAnnotations(labbcat.url, expression)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url

URL to the LaBB-CAT instance

expression

An expression that determines which annotations match. This must match by either id or layer.id. The expression language is currently not well defined, but is based on JavaScript syntax. e.g.

- id == 'ew_0_456'
- ['ew_2_456', 'ew_2_789', 'ew_2_101112'].includes(id)
- layerId == 'orthography' && !/th[aeiou].+/.test(label)
- graph.id == 'AdaAicheson-01.trs' && layer.id == 'orthography' && start.offset > 10.5
- layer.id == 'utterance' && all('word').includes('ew_0_456')
- layerId = 'utterance' && labels('orthography').includes('foo')
- layerId = 'utterance' && labels('participant').includes('Ada')

Value

The number of annotations that match the expression.

See Also

getMatchingAnnotations

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Examples

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"

## count the number of topic tags that include the word 'quake'
countMatchingAnnotations(labbcat.url, "layer.id == 'topic' && /.*quake.*/.test(label)")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

deleteLayer

Deletes an existing layer.

Description

This function deletes an existing annotation layer, including all annotation data associated with it.

Usage

```
deleteLayer(labbcat.url, layer.id)
```

Arguments

```
labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance layer.id The ID of the layer to delete.
```

Details

You must have administration privileges in LaBB-CAT in order to be able to use this function.

Value

NULL, or an error message if deletion failed.

See Also

```
newLayer saveLayer
```

```
## Not run:
## Delete the phonemes layer
deleteLayer(labbcat.url, "phonemes")
## End(Not run)
```

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deleteLexicon

Delete a previously loaded lexicon.

Description

By default LaBB-CAT includes a layer manager called the Flat Lexicon Tagger, which can be configured to annotate words with data from a dictionary loaded from a plain text file (e.g. a CSV file).

Usage

```
deleteLexicon(labbcat.url, lexicon)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance.

lexicon The name of the lexicon to delete, e.g. 'cmudict'

Details

This function deletes such a lexicon, which was previously added using loadLexicon.

You must have editing privileges in LaBB-CAT in order to be able to use this function.

Value

NULL if the deletion was successful, or an error message if not.

See Also

loadLexicon

```
## Not run:
## Delete the previously loaded CMU Pronouncing Dictionary lexicon
deleteLexicon(labbcat.url, "cmudict")
## End(Not run)
```

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deleteParticipant

Deletes a participant record.

Description

This function deletes the identified participant from the corpus, but only if they do not appear in any transcripts.

Usage

```
deleteParticipant(labbcat.url, id)
```

Arguments

```
labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance
```

id The participant ID - either the unique internal database ID, or their name.

Value

TRUE if the participant's record was delete, FALSE otherwise.

See Also

```
getParticipant saveParticipant
```

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"
## Create a new participant record
saveParticipant(labbcat.url, "Juan Perez")
### Delete the participant we just created
deleteParticipant(labbcat.url, "Juan Perez")
### End(Not run)</pre>
```

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deleteTranscript

Delete a transcript from the corpus.

Description

This function deletes the given transcript, and all associated files.

Usage

```
deleteTranscript(labbcat.url, id)
```

Arguments

```
labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance id The ID transcript to delete.
```

Details

For this function to work, the credentials used to connect to the server must have at least 'edit' access.

Value

The ID of the deleted transcript

Examples

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"
## delete a transcript from the server
deleteTranscript(labbcat.url, "my-transcript.eaf")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

expressionFromAttributeValue

Generates a query expression for matching a transcript/participant attribute, for use with getMatches.

Description

This function generates a query expression fragment which can be passed as the transcript.expression or participant.expression parameter of getMatches, (or the expression parameter of getMatching-TranscriptIds or getMatchingParticipantIds) using a list of possible values for a given transcript attribute.

Usage

```
expressionFromAttributeValue(transcript.attribute, values, not = FALSE)
```

Arguments

transcript.attribute
The transcript attribute to filter by.

values
A list of possible values for transcript.attribute.

not
Whether to match the given IDs (FALSE), or everything *except* the given IDs.

Details

The attribute defined by transcript attribute is expected to have exactly one value. If it may have multiple values, use expressionFromAttributeValues instead.

Value

A transcript query expression which can be passed as the transcript.expression parameter of get-Matches or the expression parameter of getMatchingTranscriptIds

See Also

```
expressionFromAttributeValues
expressionFromTranscriptTypes
expressionFromIds
getMatches
```

expressionFromAttributeValues

Generates a query expression for matching a transcript/participant attribute, for use with getMatches.

Description

This function generates a query expression fragment which can be passed as the transcript.expression or participant.expression parameter of getMatches, (or the expression parameter of getMatching-TranscriptIds or getMatchingParticipantIds) using a list of possible values for a given transcript attribute.

Usage

```
expressionFromAttributeValues(transcript.attribute, values, not = FALSE)
```

Arguments

transcript.attribute

The transcript attribute to filter by.

values A list of possible values for transcript.attribute.

not Whether to match the given IDs (FALSE), or everything *except* the given IDs.

Details

The attribute defined by transcript.attribute is expected to have possibly more than one value. If it can have only one value, use expressionFromAttributeValue instead.

Value

A transcript query expression which can be passed as the transcript.expression parameter of get-Matches or the expression parameter of getMatchingTranscriptIds

```
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expressionFromTranscriptTypes
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Examples

 ${\tt expressionFromIds}$

Generates a query expression for matching transcripts or participants by ID, for use with getMatches.

Description

This function generates a query expression fragment which can be passed as the transcript.expression or participant.expression parameter of getMatches, using a list of corresponding IDs.

Usage

```
expressionFromIds(ids, not = FALSE)
```

Arguments

ids A list of IDs.

not Whether to match the given IDs (FALSE), or everything *except* the given IDs.

Value

A query expression which can be passed as the transcript.expression or participant.expression parameter of getMatches or the expression parameter of getMatchingTranscriptIds or getMatchingParticipantIds

```
expressionFromAttributeValue
expressionFromAttributeValues
expressionFromTranscriptTypes
getMatches
```

Examples

expressionFromTranscriptTypes

Generates a transcript query expression for matching transcripts by type, for use with getMatches or getMatchingTranscriptIds.

Description

This function generates a transcript query expression fragment which can be passed as the transcript.expression parameter of getMatches, (or the expression parameter of getMatchingTranscriptIds) in order to identify transcripts using a list of transcript types.

Usage

```
expressionFromTranscriptTypes(transcript.types, not = FALSE)
```

Arguments

```
transcript.types
```

A list of transcript types.

not

Whether to match the given IDs (FALSE), or everything *except* the given IDs.

Value

A transcript query expression which can be passed as the transcript.expression parameter of get-Matches or the expression parameter of getMatchingTranscriptIds

```
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```

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Examples

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"

## Perform a search of interviews or monologues
transcript.types <- c("interview", "monologue")
results <- getMatches(labbcat.url, list(segment="I"),
    transcript.expression = expressionFromTranscriptTypes(transcript.types))

## Perform a search of all transcripts that aren't word-lists.
results <- getMatches(labbcat.url, list(segment="I"),
    transcript.expression = expressionFromTranscriptTypes("wordlist", NOT=true))

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

formatTranscript

Gets transcript(s) in a given format.

Description

This function gets whole transcripts from 'LaBB-CAT', converted to a given format (by default, Praat TextGrid).

Usage

```
formatTranscript(
  labbcat.url,
  id,
  layer.ids,
  mime.type = "text/praat-textgrid",
  path = ""
)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url	URL to the LaBB-CAT instance
id	The transcript ID (transcript name) of the sound recording, or a vector of transcript IDs. If the same ID appears more than one, the formatted file is downloaded only once.
layer.ids	A vector of layer IDs.
mime.type	Optional content-type - "text/praat-textgrid" is the default, but your LaBB-CAT installation may support other formats, which can be discovered using getSerializerDescriptors.
path	Optional path to directory where the files should be saved.

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Details

NB Although many formats will generate exactly one file for each interval (e.g. mime.type=text/praat-textgrid), this is not guaranted; some formats generate a single file or a fixed collection of files regardless of how many IDs there are.

Value

The name of the file, which is saved in the current directory, or the given path, or a list of names of files, if multiple id's were specified.

If a list of files is returned, they are in the order that they were returned by the server, which *should* be the order that they were specified in the id list.

See Also

getSerializerDescriptors

Examples

generateLayer

Generates a layer.

Description

Generates annotations on a given layer for all transcripts in the corpus.

```
generateLayer(labbcat.url, layer.id, no.progress = FALSE)
```

Arguments

```
labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance

layer.id The ID of the layer to generate.

TRUE to suppress visual progress bar. Otherwise, progress bar will be shown when interactive().
```

Value

The final status of the layer generation task.

See Also

```
getAllUtterances
```

Examples

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"
## Generate all phonemic transcription annotations
generateLayer(labbcat.url, "phonemes")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

generateLayerUtterances

Generates a layer for a given set of utterances.

Description

Generates annotations on a given layer for a given set of utterances, e.g. force-align selected utterances of a participant.

```
generateLayerUtterances(
  labbcat.url,
  match.ids,
  layer.id,
  collection.name = NULL,
  no.progress = FALSE
)
```

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Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance

match.ids A vector of annotation IDs, e.g. the MatchId column, or the URL column, of a

results set.

layer.id The ID of the layer to generate.

collection.name

An optional name for the collection, e.g. the participant ID.

no.progress TRUE to supress visual progress bar. Otherwise, progress bar will be shown

when interactive().

Value

The final status of the layer generation task.

See Also

```
getAllUtterances
```

Examples

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"

## Get all utterances of a participant
allUtterances <- getAllUtterances(labbcat.url, "AP2505_Nelson")

## Force-align the participant's utterances
generateLayerUtterances(labbcat.url, allUtterances$MatchId, "htk", "AP2505_Nelson")

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

getAllUtterances

Get all utterances of participants.

Description

Identifies all utterances of a given set of participants.

```
getAllUtterances(
  labbcat.url,
  participant.ids,
  transcript.types = NULL,
  main.participant = TRUE,
```

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```
max.matches = NULL,
no.progress = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance participant.ids

A list of participant IDs to identify the utterances of.

transcript.types

An optional list of transcript types to limit the results to. If null, all transcript types will be searched.

main.participant

TRUE to search only main-participant utterances, FALSE to search all utter-

ances.

max.matches The maximum number of matches to return, or null to return all.

no.progress TRUE to supress visual progress bar. Otherwise, progress bar will be shown

when interactive().

Value

A data frame identifying matches, containing the following columns:

- SearchName A name based on the pattern the same for all rows
- Number Row number
- Transcript Name of the transcript in which the match was found
- Line The start offset of the utterance/line
- LineEnd The end offset of the utterance/line
- MatchId A unique ID for the matching target token
- Before.Match Transcript text immediately before the match
- Text Transcript text of the match
- Before.Match Transcript text immediately after the match
- Target.word Text of the target word token
- Target.word.start Start offset of the target word token
- Target.word.end End offset of the target word token
- *Target.segment* Label of the target segment (only present if the segment layer is included in the pattern)
- *Target.segment.start* Start offset of the target segment (only present if the segment layer is included in the pattern)
- *Target.segment.end* End offset of the target segment (only present if the segment layer is included in the pattern)

See Also

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Examples

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"
## get all utterances of the given participants
participant.ids <- getParticipantIds(labbcat.url)[1:3]
results <- getAllUtterances(labbcat.url, participant.ids)
## results$MatchId can be used to access results
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

getAnchors

Gets the given anchors in the given transcript.

Description

Lists the given anchors in the given transcript.

Usage

```
getAnchors(labbcat.url, id, anchor.id, page.length = 1000)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance id A transcript ID (i.e. transcript name)

anchor.id A vector of anchor IDs (or a string representing one anchor ID)

page.length In order to prevent timeouts when there are a large number of matches or the

network connection is slow, rather than retrieving anchors in one big request, they are retrieved using many smaller requests. This parameter controls the

number of anchors retrieved per request.

Value

A named list of anchors, with members:

- id The annotation's unique ID,
- offset The offset from the beginning (in seconds if it's a transcript of a recording, or in characters if it's a text document)
- *confidence* A rating from 0-100 of the confidence of the offset, e.g. 10: default value, 50: force-aligned, 100: manually aligned

See Also

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Examples

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"

## Get the first 20 orthography tokens in UC427_ViktoriaPapp_A_ENG.eaf
orthography <- getAnnotations(labbcat.url, "UC427_ViktoriaPapp_A_ENG.eaf", "orthography", 20, 0)

## Get the start anchors for the above tokens
word.starts <- getAnchors(labbcat.url, "UC427_ViktoriaPapp_A_ENG.eaf", orthography$startId)

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

getAnnotations

Gets the annotations on the given layer of the given transcript.

Description

Returns the annotations on the given layer of the given transcript.

Usage

```
getAnnotations(
  labbcat.url,
  id,
  layer.id,
  max.ordinal = NULL,
  page.length = NULL,
  page.number = NULL
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance

id A transcript ID (i.e. transcript name)

layer.id A layer ID

max.ordinal The maximum ordinal for the returned annotations. e.g. a max.ordinal of 1 will ensure that only the first annotation for each parent is returned. If max.ordinal is null, then all annotations are returned, regardless of their ordinal.

page.length The maximum number of annotations to return, or null to return all

page.number The zero-based page number to return, or null to return the first page

Value

A named list of annotations, with members:

- *id* The annotation's unique ID
- layerId The name of the layer it comes from
- label The value of the annotation
- startId The ID of the start anchor.
- endId The ID of the end anchor,
- parentId The ID of the parent annotation,
- ordinal The ordinal of the annotation among its peers,
- *confidence* A rating from 0-100 of the confidence of the label e.g. 10: default value, 50: automatically generated, 100: manually annotated

See Also

getTranscriptIds getTranscriptIdsInCorpus getTranscriptIdsWithParticipant countAnnotations

Examples

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"

## Get all the orthography tokens in UC427_ViktoriaPapp_A_ENG.eaf
orthography <- getAnnotations(labbcat.url, "UC427_ViktoriaPapp_A_ENG.eaf", "orthography")

## Get the first 20 orthography tokens in UC427_ViktoriaPapp_A_ENG.eaf
orthography <- getAnnotations(labbcat.url, "UC427_ViktoriaPapp_A_ENG.eaf", "orthography", 20, 0)

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

getAnnotatorDescriptor

Gets annotator information.

Description

Retrieve information about an annotator. Annotators are modules that perform different annotation tasks. This function provides information about a given annotator, for example the currently installed version of the module, what configuration parameters it requires, etc.

```
getAnnotatorDescriptor(labbcat.url, annotator.id)
```

Arguments

```
labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance. annotator.id ID of the annotator module.
```

Value

The annotator info:

- annotatorId The annotators's unique ID
- version The currently install version of the annotator.
- info HTML-encoded description of the function of the annotator.
- infoText A plain text version of \$info (converted automatically).
- hasConfigWebapp Determines whether the annotator includes a web-app for installation or general configuration.
- *configParameterInfo* An HTML-encoded definition of the installation config parameters, including a list of all parameters, and the encoding of the parameter string.
- configParameterInfoText A plain text version of \$configParameterInfo (converted automatically).
- hasTaskWebapp Determines whether the annotator includes a web-app for task parameter configuration.
- *taskParameterInfo* An HTML-encoded definition of the task parameters, including a list of all parameters, and the encoding of the parameter string.
- taskParameterInfoText A plain text version of \$taskParameterInfo (converted automatically).
- hasExtWebapp Determines whether the annotator includes an extras web-app which implements functionality for providing extra data or extending functionality in an annotator-specific way.
- extApiInfo An HTML-encoded document containing information about what endpoints are published by the ext web-app.
- extApiInfoText A plain text version of \$extApiInfo (converted automatically).

See Also

```
annotatorExt newLayer
```

```
## Not run:
## Get information about the BAS Annotator
basAnnotator <- getAnnotatorDescriptor("https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/", "BASAnnotator")
cat(basAnnotator$infoText)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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getAvailableMedia

List the media available for the given transcript.

Description

List the media available for the given transcript.

Usage

```
getAvailableMedia(labbcat.url, id)
```

Arguments

```
labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance id A transcript ID (i.e. transcript name)
```

Value

A named list of media files available for the given transcript, with members:

- trackSuffix The track suffix of the media
- mimeType The MIME type of the file
- url URL to the content of the file
- name Name of the file

See Also

```
getTranscriptIds
```

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"
## List the media files available for BR2044_OllyOhlson.eaf
media <- getAvailableMedia(labbcat.url, "BR2044_OllyOhlson.eaf")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

getCorpusIds

Gets a list of corpus IDs.

Description

Returns a list of corpora in the given 'LaBB-CAT' instance.

Usage

```
getCorpusIds(labbcat.url)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance

Value

A list of corpus IDs

Examples

```
## Not run:
## List corpora
corpora <- getCorpusIds("https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

getDescriptors

Lists the descriptors of all registered descrializers.

Description

Returns a list of descrializers, which are modules that import transcriptions and annotation structures from a specific file format, e.g. Praat TextGrid, plain text, etc.

Usage

```
getDeserializerDescriptors(labbcat.url)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance

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Value

A list of serializers, each including the following information:

- name The name of the format.
- version The installed version of the serializer module.
- fileSuffixes The normal file name suffixes (extensions) of the files.,
- *mimeType* The MIME type of the format, i.e. the value to use as the *mimeType* parameter of getFragments,

Examples

```
## Not run:
## List file upload formats supported
formats <- getDeserializerDescriptors("https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/")
## can we upload as plain text?
plainTextSupported <- "text/plain" %in% formats$mimeType
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

getDictionaries

List the dictionaries available.

Description

List the dictionaries available.

Usage

```
getDictionaries(labbcat.url)
```

Arguments

```
labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance
```

Value

A named list of layer manager IDs, each of which containing a list of dictionaries that the layer manager makes available.

```
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```

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Examples

```
## Not run:
## List the dictionaries available
dictionaries <- getDictionaries("https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

getDictionaryEntries Lookup entries in a dictionary.

Description

Lookup entries in a dictionary.

Usage

```
getDictionaryEntries(labbcat.url, manager.id, dictionary.id, keys)
```

Arguments

```
labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance
manager.id The layer manager ID of the dictionary, as returned by getDictionaries
dictionary.id The ID of the dictionary, as returned by getDictionaries
keys A list of keys (words) identifying entries to look up
```

Value

A data frame with the keys and their dictionary entries, if any.

See Also

getDictionaries

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"

keys <- c("the", "quick", "brown", "fox")

## get the pronunciations according to CELEX
entries <- getDictionaryEntries(labbcat.url, "CELEX-EN", "Phonology (wordform)", keys)

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

```
getFragmentAnnotations
```

Gets annotations in fragments.

Description

This function gets annotations between given start/end times on given layers. If more than one annotation matches, labels are concatentated together.

Usage

```
getFragmentAnnotations(
  labbcat.url,
  transcript.id,
  participant.id,
  start,
  end,
  layer.ids,
  sep = " ",
  partial.containment = FALSE,
  no.progress = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance transcript.id The transcript ID (transcript name) of the sound recording, or a vector of transcript IDs. participant.id The participant ID of the annotations, or a vector of participant IDs. The start time in seconds, or a vector of start times. start end The end time in seconds, or a vector of end times. layer.ids A vector of layer IDs. The separator to use when concatenating labels when multiple annotations are sep in the given interval. partial.containment Whether to include annotations that are only partially contained in the given TRUE to supress visual progress bar. Otherwise, progress bar will be shown no.progress

Value

A data frame with three columns for each layer in layer.ids:

when interactive().

- The annotation labels concatenated together
- The start time of the first annotation
- The end time of the last annotation

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See Also

```
getFragments
getSoundFragments
```

Examples

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"

## Get some span-layer intervales
topics <- getMatches(labbcat.url, list(topic = ".*quake.*"))

## Get concantenated word tokens for each topic annotation
topic.tokens <- getFragmentAnnotations(
   labbcat.url, topics$Transcript, topics$Participant, topics$topic.start, topics$topic.end,
        c("word"))

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

getFragments

Gets transcript fragments in a given format.

Description

This function gets fragments of transcripts from 'LaBB-CAT', converted to a given format (by default, Praat TextGrid).

Usage

```
getFragments(
  labbcat.url,
  id,
  start,
  end,
  layer.ids,
  mime.type = "text/praat-textgrid",
  path = ""
)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance

id The transcript ID (transcript name) of the sound recording, or a vector of tran-

script IDs.

start The start time in seconds, or a vector of start times.

end The end time in seconds, or a vector of end times.

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layer.ids A vector of layer IDs.

mime.type Optional content-type - "text/praat-textgrid" is the default, but your LaBB-CAT

installation may support other formats, which can be discovered using getSeri-

alizerDescriptors.

path Optional path to directory where the files should be saved.

Details

NB Although many formats will generate exactly one file for each interval (e.g. mime.type=text/praat-textgrid), this is not guaranted; some formats generate a single file or a fixed collection of files regardless of how many fragments there are.

Value

The name of the file, which is saved in the current directory, or a list of names of files, if multiple id's/start's/end's were specified

If a list of files is returned, they are in the order that they were returned by the server, which *should* be the order that they were specified in the id/start/end lists.

See Also

getSerializerDescriptors

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"</pre>
## Get the 5 seconds starting from 10s after the beginning of a recording
textgrid.file <- getFragments(labbcat.url, "AP2505_Nelson.eaf", 10.0, 15.0,
    c("transcript", "phonemes"), path="samples")
## Load some search results previously exported from LaBB-CAT
results <- read.csv("results.csv", header=T)
## Get a list of fragment TextGrids, including the utterances, transcript, and phonemes layers
textgrid.files <- getFragments(</pre>
    labbcat.url, results$Transcript, results$Line, results$LineEnd,
    c("utterance", "word", "phonemes"))
## Get a list of fragment TextGrids
textgrid.files <- getFragments(</pre>
    labbcat.url, results$Transcript, results$Line, results$LineEnd)
## End(Not run)
```

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getGraphIds

Deprecated synonym for getTranscriptIds.

Description

Returns a list of graph IDs (i.e. transcript names).

Usage

```
getGraphIds(labbcat.url)
```

Arguments

```
labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance
```

Value

A list of graph IDs

See Also

```
getTranscriptIds
```

Examples

```
## Not run:
## List all transcripts
transcripts <- getGraphIds("https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

getGraphIdsInCorpus

Deprecated synonym for getTranscriptIdsInCorpus.

Description

Returns a list of corpora in the given 'LaBB-CAT' instance.

Usage

```
getGraphIdsInCorpus(labbcat.url, id)
```

Arguments

```
labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance id The ID (name) of the corpus
```

Value

A list of corpus IDs

See Also

```
{\tt getGraphIdsInCorpus}
```

Examples

```
## Not run:
## List transcripts in the QB corpus
transcripts <- getGraphIdsInCorpus("https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/", "QB")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

 ${\tt getGraphIdsWithParticipant}$

 $Deprecated\ synonym\ for\ get Transcript Ids With Participant.$

Description

Returns a list of IDs of graphs (i.e. transcript names) that include the given participant.

Usage

```
getGraphIdsWithParticipant(labbcat.url, id)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance

id A participant ID

Value

A list of graph IDs

```
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```

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Examples

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"

## List transcripts in which UC427_ViktoriaPapp_A_ENG speaks
transcripts <- getGraphIdsWithParticipant(labbcat.url, "UC427_ViktoriaPapp_A_ENG")

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

getId

Gets the store's ID.

Description

The store's ID - i.e. the ID of the 'LaBB-CAT' instance.

Usage

```
getId(labbcat.url)
```

Arguments

```
labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance
```

Value

The annotation store's ID

```
## Not run:
## Get ID of LaBB-CAT instance
instance.id <- getId("https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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getLayer

Gets a layer definition.

Description

Gets a layer definition.

Usage

```
getLayer(labbcat.url, id)
```

Arguments

```
labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance id ID of the layer to get the definition for
```

Value

The definition of the given layer, with members:

- id The layer's unique ID
- parentId The layer's parent layer ID
- description The description of the layer
- alignment The layer's alignment 0 for none, 1 for point alignment, 2 for interval alignment
- peers Whether children have peers or not
- peersOverlap Whether child peers can overlap or not
- parentIncludes Whether the parent t-includes the child
- saturated Whether children must temporally fill the entire parent duration (true) or not (false)
- parentIncludes Whether the parent t-includes the child
- type The type for labels on this layer
- validLabels List of valid label values for this layer

See Also

```
getLayerIds getLayers
```

```
## Not run:
## Get the definition of the orthography layer
orthography.layer <- getLayer("https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/", "orthography")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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getLayerIds

Gets a list of layer IDs.

Description

Layer IDs are annotation 'types'.

Usage

```
getLayerIds(labbcat.url)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance

Value

A list of layer IDs

Examples

```
## Not run:
## Get names of all layers
layer.ids <- getLayerIds("https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

getLayers

Gets a list of layer definitions.

Description

Gets a list of layer definitions.

Usage

```
getLayers(labbcat.url)
```

Arguments

```
labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance
```

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Value

A list of layer definitions, with members:

- id The layer's unique ID
- parentId The layer's parent layer ID
- description The description of the layer
- alignment The layer's alignment 0 for none, 1 for point alignment, 2 for interval alignment
- peers Whether children have peers or not
- peersOverlap Whether child peers can overlap or not
- parentIncludes Whether the parent t-includes the child
- saturated Whether children must temporally fill the entire parent duration (true) or not (false)
- parentIncludes Whether the parent t-includes the child
- type The type for labels on this layer
- validLabels List of valid label values for this layer

See Also

```
getLayerIds
```

Examples

```
## Not run:
## Get definitions of all layers
layers <- getLayers("https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

getMatchAlignments

Gets temporal alignments of matches on a given layer.

Description

Gets labels and start/end offsets of annotations on a given layer, identified by given match IDs.

Usage

```
getMatchAlignments(
  labbcat.url,
  match.ids,
  layer.ids,
  target.offset = 0,
  annotations.per.layer = 1,
  anchor.confidence.min = 50,
  include.match.ids = FALSE,
  page.length = 1000,
  no.progress = FALSE
)
```

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Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance

match.ids A vector of annotation IDs, e.g. the MatchId column, or the URL column, of a

results set.

layer.ids A vector of layer IDs.

The distance from the original target of the match, e.g. target.offset

• θ – find annotations of the match target itself,

• 1 – find annotations of the token immediately after match target

• -1 – find annotations of the token immediately before match target

annotations.per.layer

The number of annotations on the given layer to retrieve. In most cases, there's only one annotation available. However, tokens may, for example, be annotated with 'all possible phonemic transcriptions', in which case using a value of greater than 1 for this parameter provides other phonemic transcriptions, for tokens that have more than one.

anchor.confidence.min

The minimum confidence for alignments, e.g.

• 0 – return all alignments, regardless of confidence;

• 50 – return only alignments that have been at least automatically aligned;

• 100 – return only manually-set alignments.

include.match.ids

Whether or not the data frame returned includes the original MatchId column or

page.length

In order to prevent timeouts when there are a large number of matches or the network connection is slow, rather than retrieving matches in one big request, they are retrieved using many smaller requests. This parameter controls the number of results retrieved per request.

no.progress

TRUE to supress visual progress bar. Otherwise, progress bar will be shown when interactive().

Details

You can specify a threshold for confidence in the alignment, which is a value from 0 (not aligned) to 100 (manually aligned). The default is 50 (automatically aligned), so only alignments that have been at least automatically aligned are specified. For cases where there's a token but its alignment confidence falls below the threshold, a label is returned, but the start/end times are NA.

Value

A data frame with label, start time, and end time, for each layer.

See Also

getMatches getMatchLabels

Examples

getMatches

Search for tokens.

Description

Searches through transcripts for tokens matching the given pattern.

Usage

```
getMatches(
  labbcat.url,
  pattern,
  participant.expression = NULL,
  transcript.expression = NULL,
  main.participant = TRUE,
  aligned = NULL,
  matches.per.transcript = NULL,
  words.context = 0,
  max.matches = NULL,
  overlap.threshold = NULL,
  anchor.confidence.min = NULL,
  page.length = 1000,
  no.progress = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url

URL to the LaBB-CAT instance

pattern

An object representing the pattern to search for.

This can be:

• A string, representing a search of the orthography layer - spaces are taken to be word boundaries

 A single named list, representing a one-column search - names are taken to be layer IDs

- A list of named lists, representing a multi-column search the outer list represents the columns of the search matrix where each column 'immediately follows' the previous, and the names of the inner lists are taken to be layer IDs
- A named list fully replicating the structure of the search matrix in the LaBB-CAT browser interface, with one element called "columns", containing a named list for each column.

Each element in the "columns" named list contains an element named "layers", whose value is a named list for patterns to match on each layer, and optionally an element named "adj", whose value is a number representing the maximum distance, in tokens, between this column and the next column - if "adj" is not specified, the value defaults to 1, so tokens are contiguous. Each element in the "layers" named list is named after the layer it matches, and the value is a named list with the following possible elements:

- pattern A regular expression to match against the label
- min An inclusive minimum numeric value for the label
- max An exclusive maximum numeric value for the label
- not TRUE to negate the match
- anchorStart TRUE to anchor to the start of the annotation on this layer (i.e. the matching word token will be the first at/after the start of the matching annotation on this layer)
- anchorEnd TRUE to anchor to the end of the annotation on this layer
 (i.e. the matching word token will be the last before/at the end of the
 matching annotation on this layer)
- target TRUE to make this layer the target of the search; the results will
 contain one row for each match on the target layer

Examples of valid pattern objects include:

```
## the word 'the' followed immediately by a word starting with an orthographic vowel
pattern <- "the [aeiou]"

## a word spelt with "k" but pronounced "n" word initially
pattern <- list(orthography = "k.*", phonemes = "n.*")

## the word 'the' followed immediately by a word starting with an phonemic vowel
pattern <- list(
    list(orthography = "the"),
    list(phonemes = "[ccefhiIPqQuUV0123456789~#\$@].*"))

## the word 'the' followed immediately or with one intervening word by
## a hapax legomenon (word with a frequency of 1) that doesn't start with a vowel
pattern <- list(columns = list(
    list(layers = list(
        orthography = list(pattern = "the")),
        adj = 2),</pre>
```

participant.expression

An optional participant query expression for identifying participants to search the utterances of. This should be the output of expressionFromIds, expressionFromAttributeValue, or expressionFromAttributeValues, or more than one concatentated together and delimited by '&& '. If not supplied, utterances of all participants will be searched.

transcript.expression

An optional transript query expression for identifying transcripts to search in. This should be the output of expressionFromIds, expressionFromTranscript-Types, expressionFromAttributeValue, or expressionFromAttributeValues, or more than one concatentated together and delimited by '&&'. If not supplied, all transcripts will be searched.

main.participant

TRUE to search only main-participant utterances, FALSE to search all utterances.

aligned

This parameter is deprecated and will be removed in future versions; please use anchor.confidence.min=50 instead.

matches.per.transcript

Optional maximum number of matches per transcript to return. NULL means all matches.

words.context

Number of words context to include in the 'Before.Match' and 'After.Match' columns in the results.

max.matches

The maximum number of matches to return, or null to return all.

overlap.threshold

The percentage overlap with other utterances before simultaneous speech is excluded, or null to include overlapping speech.

anchor.confidence.min

The minimum confidence for alignments, e.g.

- 0 return all alignments, regardless of confidence;
- 50 return only alignments that have been at least automatically aligned;
- 100 return only manually-set alignments.

page.length

In order to prevent timeouts when there are a large number of matches or the network connection is slow, rather than retrieving matches in one big request, they are retrieved using many smaller requests. This parameter controls the number of results retrieved per request.

no.progress

TRUE to supress visual progress bar. Otherwise, progress bar will be shown when interactive().

Value

A data frame identifying matches, containing the following columns:

• SearchName A name based on the pattern – the same for all rows

- MatchId A unique ID for the matching target token
- Transcript Name of the transcript in which the match was found
- Participant Name of the speaker
- Corpus The corpus of the transcript
- Line The start offset of the utterance/line
- LineEnd The end offset of the utterance/line
- Before.Match Transcript text immediately before the match
- Text Transcript text of the match
- After.Match Transcript text immediately after the match
- Number Row number
- URL URL of the first matching word token
- Target.word Text of the target word token
- Target.word.start Start offset of the target word token
- Target.word.end End offset of the target word token
- *Target.segment* Label of the target segment (only present if the segment layer is included in the pattern)
- *Target.segment.start* Start offset of the target segment (only present if the segment layer is included in the pattern)
- *Target.segment.end* End offset of the target segment (only present if the segment layer is included in the pattern)

See Also

```
getFragments
getSoundFragments
getMatchLabels
getMatchAlignments
processWithPraat
getParticipantIds
```

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"

## the word 'the' followed immediately by a word starting with an orthographic vowel
theThenOrthVowel <- getMatches(labbcat.url, "the [aeiou]")

## a word spelt with "k" but pronounced "n" word initially
knWords <- getMatches(labbcat.url, list(orthography = "k.*", phonemes = "n.*"))

## the word 'the' followed immediately by a word starting with an phonemic vowel</pre>
```

```
theThenPhonVowel <- getMatches(</pre>
 labbcat.url, list(
    list(orthography = "the"),
   list(phonemes = "[cCEFHiIPqQuUV0123456789~#\\$@].*")))
## the word 'the' followed immediately or with one intervening word by
## a hapax legomenon (word with a frequency of 1) that doesn't start with a vowel
results <- getMatches(</pre>
 labbcat.url, list(columns = list(
   list(layers = list(
           orthography = list(pattern = "the")),
         adj = 2),
   list(layers = list(
           phonemes = list(not=TRUE, pattern = "[cCEFHiIPqQuUV0123456789~#\\$@].*"),
           frequency = list(max = "2"))))),
 overlap.threshold = 5)
## all tokens of the KIT vowel, from the interview or monologue
## of the participants AP511_MikeThorpe and BR2044_OllyOhlson
results <- getMatches(labbcat.url, list(segment="I"),
 participant.expression = expressionFromIds(c("AP511_MikeThorpe","BR2044_01lyOhlson")),
 transcript.expression = expressionFromTranscriptTypes(c("interview", "monologue")))
## all tokens of the KIT vowel for male speakers who speak English
results <- getMatches(labbcat.url, list(segment="I"),
 participant.expression = paste(
    expressionFromAttributeValue("participant_gender", "M"),
    expressionFromAttributeValues("participant_languages_spoken", "en"),
   sep=" && "))
## results$Text is the text that matched
## results$MatchId can be used to access results using other functions
## End(Not run)
```

getMatchingAnnotations

Gets a list of annotations that match a particular pattern.

Description

Returns the annotations in the corpus that match the given expression.

Usage

```
getMatchingAnnotations(
  labbcat.url,
  expression,
  page.length = NULL,
```

```
page.number = NULL
)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url

URL to the LaBB-CAT instance

expression

An expression that determines which annotations match. This must match by either id or layer.id. The expression language is currently not well defined, but is based on JavaScript syntax. e.g.

- id == 'ew_0_456'
- ['ew_2_456', 'ew_2_789', 'ew_2_101112'].includes(id)
- layerId == 'orthography' && !/th[aeiou].+/.test(label)
- graph.id == 'AdaAicheson-01.trs' && layer.id == 'orthography' && start.offset > 10.5
- layer.id == 'utterance' && all('word').includes('ew_0_456')
- layerId = 'utterance' && labels('orthography').includes('foo')
- layerId = 'utterance' && labels('participant').includes('Ada')

page.length

The maximum number of IDs to return, or null to return all

page.number

The zero-based page number to return, or null to return the first page

Details

The results can be exhaustive, by omitting page.length and page.number, or they can be a subset (a 'page') of results, by given page.length and page.number values.

Value

A list of annotations.

See Also

 ${\tt countMatchingAnnotations}$

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getMatchingGraphIds

Deprecated synonym for getMatchingTranscriptIds.

Description

Gets a list of IDs of graphs (i.e. transcript names) that match a particular pattern.

Usage

```
getMatchingGraphIds(
  labbcat.url,
  expression,
  page.length = NULL,
  page.number = NULL,
  order = NULL
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance

expression An expression that determines which graphs match

page.length The maximum number of IDs to return, or null to return all

page.number The zero-based page number to return, or null to return the first page

order An expression that determines the order the graphs are listed in - if specified, this must include the keyword 'ASC' for ascending or 'DESC' for descending order.

Details

The results can be exhaustive, by omitting pageLength and page.number, or they can be a subset (a 'page') of results, by given pageLength and page.number values.

The order of the list can be specified. If ommitted, the graphs are listed in ID order.

The expression language is currently not well defined, but is based on JavaScript syntax.

- The *labels* function can be used to represent a list of all the annotation labels on a given layer. For example, each transcript can have multiple participants, so the participant labels (names) are represented by: *labels*('participant')
- Use the *includes* function on a list to test whether the list contains a given element. e.g. to match transcripts that include the participant 'Joe' use: *labels('participant').includes('Joe')*
- Use the *first* function to identify the first (or the only) annotation on a given layer. e.g. the annotation representing the transcript's corpus is: *first('corpus')*
- Single annotations have various attributes, including 'id', 'label', 'ordinal', etc. e.g. the name of the transcript's corpus is: first('corpus').label

• Regular expressions can be matched by using expressions like '/regex/.test(str)', e.g. to test if the ID starts with 'BR' use: /^BR.+/.test(id) or to test if the transcript's corpus includes a B use: /.**B.**/.test(first('corpus').label)

Expressions such as those in the examples can be used.

Value

A list of graph IDs (i.e. transcript names)

Examples

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"</pre>
## Get all transcripts whose names start with "BR"
transcripts <- getMatchingGraphIds(labbcat.url, "/^BR.+/.test(id)")</pre>
## Get the first twenty transcripts in the "QB" corpus
transcripts <- getMatchingGraphIds(</pre>
        labbcat.url, "first('corpus').label = 'QB'", 20, 0)
## Get the second transcript that has "QB247_Jacqui" as a speaker
transcripts <- getMatchingGraphIds(</pre>
        labbcat.url, "labels('participant').includes('QB247_Jacqui')", 1, 1)
## Get all transcripts in the QB corpus whose names start with "BR"
## in word-count order
transcripts <- getMatchingGraphIds(</pre>
        labbcat.url, "first('corpus').label = 'QB' && /^BR.+/.test(id)",
        order="first('transcript_word_count').label ASC")
## End(Not run)
```

getMatchingParticipantIds

Gets a list of IDs of participants that match a particular pattern.

Description

Gets a list of IDs of participants that match a particular pattern.

Usage

```
getMatchingParticipantIds(
  labbcat.url,
  expression,
```

```
page.length = NULL,
page.number = NULL
)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url	URL to the LaBB-CAT instance
expression	An expression that determines which participants match
page.length	The maximum number of IDs to return, or null to return all
page.number	The zero-based page number to return, or null to return the first page

Details

The results can be exhaustive, by omitting page.length and page.number, or they can be a subset (a 'page') of results, by given page.length and page.number values.

The expression language is currently not well defined, but is based on JavaScript syntax.

- The *labels* function can be used to represent a list of all the annotation labels on a given layer. For example, each participant can have multiple corpora, so the corpus labels (names) are represented by: *labels*('corpus')
- Use the *includes* function on a list to test whether the list contains a given element. e.g. to match participants that include the corpus 'QB' use: *labels('corpus').includes('QB')*
- Use the *first* function to identify the first (or the only) annotation on a given layer. e.g. the annotation representing the participant's gender is: *first('participant_gender')*
- Single annotations have various attributes, including 'id', 'label', 'ordinal', etc. e.g. the label of the participant's gender is: first('participant_gender').label
- Regular expressions can be matched by using expressions like '/regex/.test(str)', e.g. to test if the ID starts with 'BR' use: /\BR.+/.test(id) or to test if the participant's gender includes 'binary' use: /.*binary.*/.test(first('participant_gender').label)

Expressions such as those in the examples can be used.

Value

A list of paricipant IDs

getMatchingTranscriptIds

Gets a list of IDs of transcripts that match a particular pattern.

Description

Gets a list of IDs of transcripts (i.e. transcript names) that match a particular pattern.

Usage

```
getMatchingTranscriptIds(
  labbcat.url,
  expression,
  page.length = NULL,
  page.number = NULL,
  order = NULL
```

Arguments

labbcat.url	URL to the LaBB-CAT instance
expression	An expression that determines which transcripts match
page.length	The maximum number of IDs to return, or null to return all
page.number	The zero-based page number to return, or null to return the first page
order	An expression that determines the order the transcripts are listed in - if specified, this must include the keyword 'ASC' for ascending or 'DESC' for descending order.

Details

The results can be exhaustive, by omitting page.length and page.number, or they can be a subset (a 'page') of results, by given page.length and page.number values.

The order of the list can be specified. If ommitted, the transcripts are listed in ID order.

The expression language is currently not well defined, but is based on JavaScript syntax.

• The *labels* function can be used to represent a list of all the annotation labels on a given layer. For example, each transcript can have multiple participants, so the participant labels (names) are represented by: *labels*('participant')

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• Use the *includes* function on a list to test whether the list contains a given element. e.g. to match transcripts that include the participant 'Joe' use: *labels('participant').includes('Joe')*

- Use the *first* function to identify the first (or the only) annotation on a given layer. e.g. the annotation representing the transcript's corpus is: *first('corpus')*
- Single annotations have various attributes, including 'id', 'label', 'ordinal', etc. e.g. the name of the transcript's corpus is: first('corpus').label
- Regular expressions can be matched by using expressions like '/regex/.test(str)', e.g. to test if the ID starts with 'BR' use: /^BR.+/.test(id) or to test if the transcript's corpus includes a B use: /.*B.*/.test(first('corpus').label)

Expressions such as those in the examples can be used.

Value

A list of transcript IDs (i.e. transcript names)

Examples

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"</pre>
## Get all transcripts whose names start with "BR"
transcripts <- getMatchingTranscriptIds(labbcat.url, "/^BR.+/.test(id)")</pre>
## Get the first twenty transcripts in the "QB" corpus
transcripts <- getMatchingTranscriptIds(</pre>
        labbcat.url, "first('corpus').label = 'QB'", 20, 0)
## Get the second transcript that has "QB247_Jacqui" as a speaker
transcripts <- getMatchingTranscriptIds(</pre>
        labbcat.url, "labels('participant').includes('QB247_Jacqui')", 1, 1)
## Get all transcripts in the QB corpus whose names start with "BR"
## in word-count order
transcripts <- getMatchingTranscriptIds(</pre>
        labbcat.url, "first('corpus').label = 'QB' && /^BR.+/.test(id)",
        order="first('transcript_word_count').label ASC")
## End(Not run)
```

getMatchLabels

Gets labels of annotations on a given layer, identified by given match IDs.

Description

Gets labels of annotations on a given layer, identified by given match IDs.

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Usage

```
getMatchLabels(
  labbcat.url,
 match.ids,
  layer.ids,
  target.offset = 0,
  annotations.per.layer = 1,
  include.match.ids = FALSE,
  page.length = 1000,
 no.progress = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance

match.ids A vector of annotation IDs, e.g. the MatchId column, or the URL column, of a

results set.

A vector of layer IDs. layer.ids

The distance from the original target of the match, e.g. target.offset

• 0 – find annotations of the match target itself,

- 1 find annotations of the token immediately *after* match target
- -1 find annotations of the token immediately before match target

annotations.per.layer

The number of annotations on the given layer to retrieve. In most cases, there's only one annotation available. However, tokens may, for example, be annotated with 'all possible phonemic transcriptions', in which case using a value of greater than 1 for this parameter provides other phonemic transcriptions, for tokens that have more than one.

include.match.ids

Whether or not the data frame returned includes the original MatchId column or

page.length

In order to prevent timeouts when there are a large number of matches or the network connection is slow, rather than retrieving matches in one big request, they are retrieved using many smaller requests. This parameter controls the

number of results retrieved per request.

TRUE to supress visual progress bar. Otherwise, progress bar will be shown no.progress

when interactive().

Value

A data frame of labels.

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Examples

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"

## Perform a search
results <- getMatches(labbcat.url, list(orthography="quake"))

## Get the topic annotations for the matches
topics <- getMatchLabels(labbcat.url, results$MatchId, "topic")

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

getMedia

Downloads a given media track for a given transcript.

Description

Downloads a given media track for a given transcript.

Usage

```
getMedia(
  labbcat.url,
  id,
  track.suffix = "",
  mime.type = "audio/wav",
  path = ""
)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance.

id A transcript ID (i.e. transcript name).

track.suffix The track suffix of the media.

mime.type The MIME type of the media, e.g. "audio/wav" or "application/f0".

path Optional path to directory where the file should be saved.

Value

The name of the file, which is saved in the current directory, or the given path if specified

See Also

```
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```

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Examples

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"

## Download the WAV file for BR2044_0llyOhlson.eaf
wav <- getMedia(labbcat.url, "BR2044_0llyOhlson.eaf")

## Download the 'QuakeFace' video file for BR2044_0llyOhlson.eaf
quakeFaceMp4 <- getMedia(labbcat.url, "BR2044_0llyOhlson.eaf", "_face", "video/mp4")

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

getMediaTracks

List the predefined media tracks available for transcripts.

Description

List the predefined media tracks available for transcripts.

Usage

```
getMediaTracks(labbcat.url)
```

Arguments

```
labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance
```

Value

A list of media track definitions.

```
## Not run:
## Get the media tracks configured in LaBB-CAT
tracks <- getMediaTracks("https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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getMediaUrl Gets the URL of the given media track for a given transcript.	
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Description

Gets the URL of the given media track for a given transcript.

Usage

```
getMediaUrl(labbcat.url, id, track.suffix = "", mime.type = "audio/wav")
```

Arguments

```
labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance.

id A transcript ID (i.e. transcript name).

track.suffix The track suffix of the media.

mime.type The MIME type of the media, e.g. "audio/wav" or "application/f0".
```

Value

A URL to the given media for the given transcript.

See Also

```
getTranscriptIds
getMedia
```

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"

## Get URL for the WAV file for BR2044_0llyOhlson.eaf
wavUrl <- getMediaUrl(labbcat.url, "BR2044_0llyOhlson.eaf")

## Get URL for the 'QuakeFace' video file for BR2044_0llyOhlson.eaf
quakeFaceMp4Url <- getMediaUrl(labbcat.url, "BR2044_0llyOhlson.eaf", "_face", "video/mp4")

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

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getParticipant	Gets information about a single participant.
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Description

Returns a nested named list with the participant information, including the given participant attributes.

Usage

```
getParticipant(labbcat.url, id, layer.ids)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance

id A participant ID

layer.ids A vector of layer IDs corresponding to participant attributes, eg. c('participant_gender',

'participant_year_of_birth')

Value

A named list of representing the participant and its attributes, with members:

- id The participant's unique internal database ID
- *label* The ID (name) of the participant
- *annotations* A named list of participant attributes e.g. the label of the participant's 'gender' attribute would be: participant\$annotations\$participant_gender\$label

See Also

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```
getParticipantAttributes
```

Gets participant attribute values for given participant IDs.

Description

Gets participant attribute values for given participant IDs.

Usage

```
getParticipantAttributes(labbcat.url, participant.ids, layer.ids)
```

Arguments

Value

A data frame of attribute value labels.

getParticipantIds

Gets a list of participant IDs.

Description

Returns a list of participant IDs.

Usage

```
getParticipantIds(labbcat.url)
```

Arguments

```
labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance
```

Value

A list of participant IDs

Examples

```
## Not run:
## List all speakers
speakers <- getParticipantIds("https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

getSerializerDescriptors

Lists the descriptors of all registered serializers.

Description

Returns a list of serializers, which are modules that export annotation structures as a specific file format, e.g. Praat TextGrid, plain text, etc., so the *mimeType* of descriptors reflects what *mimeType*s can be specified for getFragments.

Usage

```
getSerializerDescriptors(labbcat.url)
```

Arguments

```
labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance
```

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Value

A list of serializers, each including the following information:

- name The name of the format.
- version The installed version of the serializer module.
- fileSuffixes The normal file name suffixes (extensions) of the files.,
- *mimeType* The MIME type of the format, i.e. the value to use as the *mimeType* parameter of getFragments,

See Also

```
getFragments
```

Examples

```
## Not run:
## List file export formats supported
formats <- getSerializerDescriptors("https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/")
## can we export as plain text?
plainTextSupported <- "text/plain" %in% formats$mimeType
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

getSoundFragments

Gets sound fragments from 'LaBB-CAT'.

Description

Gets sound fragments from 'LaBB-CAT'.

Usage

```
getSoundFragments(
  labbcat.url,
  ids,
  start.offsets,
  end.offsets,
  sample.rate = NULL,
  path = "",
  no.progress = FALSE
)
```

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Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance ids The transcript ID (transcript name) of the sound recording, or a vector of transcript IDs. start.offsets The start time in seconds, or a vector of start times. end.offsets The end time in seconds, or a vector of end times. sample.rate Optional sample rate in Hz - if a positive integer, then the result is a mono file with the given sample rate. path Optional path to directory where the files should be saved. no.progress TRUE to supress visual progress bar. Otherwise, progress bar will be shown when interactive().

Value

The name of the file, which is saved in the current directory, or a list of names of files, if multiple id's/start's/end's were specified

If a list of files is returned, they are in the order that they were returned by the server, which *should* be the order that they were specified in the id/start/end lists.

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 ${\tt getSystemAttribute}$

Gets the value of the given system attribute.

Description

Gets the value of the given system attribute.

Usage

```
getSystemAttribute(labbcat.url, attribute)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance

attribute Name of the attribute.

Value

The value of the given attribute.

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```

Examples

```
## Not run:
## Get the name of the LaBB-CAT instance
title <- getSystemAttribute("https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/", "title")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

```
{\tt getTranscriptAttributes}
```

Gets transcript attribute values for given transcript IDs.

Description

Gets transcript attribute values for given transcript IDs.

Usage

```
getTranscriptAttributes(labbcat.url, transcript.ids, layer.ids)
```

getTranscriptIds

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance transcript.ids A vector of transcript IDs

layer.ids A vector of layer IDs corresponding to transcript attributes. In general, these

are layers whose ID is prefixed 'transcript_', however formally it's any layer where layerparentId == Transcript && layerparentId == Transcript && layer

'corpus' as well as transcript attribute layers.

Value

A data frame of attribute value labels.

Examples

getTranscriptIds

Gets a list of transcript IDs.

Description

Returns a list of transcript IDs (i.e. transcript names).

Usage

```
getTranscriptIds(labbcat.url)
```

Arguments

```
labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance
```

Value

A list of transcript IDs

Examples

```
## Not run:
## List all transcripts
transcripts <- getTranscriptIds("https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

getTranscriptIdsInCorpus

Gets a list of transcript in a corpus.

Description

Returns a list of transcript IDs in the given corpus.

Usage

```
getTranscriptIdsInCorpus(labbcat.url, id)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance id The ID (name) of the corpus

Value

A list of transcript IDs

```
## Not run:
## List transcripts in the QB corpus
transcripts <- getTranscriptIdsInCorpus("https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/", "QB")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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```
getTranscriptIdsWithParticipant
```

Gets a list of IDs of transcripts that include the given participant.

Description

Returns a list of IDs of transcripts (i.e. transcript names) that include the given participant.

Usage

```
getTranscriptIdsWithParticipant(labbcat.url, id)
```

Arguments

```
labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance id A participant ID
```

Value

A list of transcript IDs

See Also

```
getParticipantIds
```

Examples

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"

## List transcripts in which UC427_ViktoriaPapp_A_ENG speaks
transcripts <- getTranscriptIdsWithParticipant(labbcat.url, "UC427_ViktoriaPapp_A_ENG")

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

getUserInfo

Gets information about the current user.

Description

Returns information about the current user, including the roles or groups they are in.

Usage

```
getUserInfo(labbcat.url)
```

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Arguments

```
labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance
```

Value

A named list containing information about current the LaBB-CAT user.

See Also

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Examples

```
## Not run:
## List file export formats supported
me <- getUserInfo("https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/")
## am I an administrator?
admin <- "admin" %in% me$roles
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

labbcatCredentials

Sets the username and password that the package should use for connecting to a given LaBB-CAT server in future function calls.

Description

This step is optional, as all functions will prompt the user for the username and password if required. If the script is running in RStudio, then the RStudio password input dialog is used, hiding the credentials from view. Otherwise, the console is used, and credentials are visible.

Usage

```
labbcatCredentials(labbcat.url, username, password)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance

username The LaBB-CAT username, if it is password-protected password

The LaBB-CAT password, if it is password-protected

Details

The recommended approach is to *not* use labbcatCredentials, to avoid saving user credentials in script files that may eventually become visible to other. Use labbcatCredentials *only* in cases where the script execution is unsupervised.

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Value

NULL if the username/password are correct, and a string describing the problem if a problem occurred, e.g. "Credentials rejected" if the username/password are incorrect, or a string starting "Version mismatch" if the server's version of LaBB-CAT is lower than the minimum required.

Examples

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"

## specify the username/password in the script
## (only use labbcatCredentials for scripts that must execute unsupervised!)
labbcatCredentials(labbcat.url, "demo", "demo")

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

labbcatTimeout

Sets the timeout for request to the LaBB-CAT server in future function calls. The default timeout is 10 seconds.

Description

Sets the timeout for request to the LaBB-CAT server in future function calls. The default timeout is 10 seconds.

Usage

```
labbcatTimeout(seconds = NULL)
```

Arguments

seconds

The number of seconds before requests return with a timeout error.

Value

The request timeout in seconds

```
## Not run:
## the request timeout
labbcatTimeout(30)
## End(Not run)
```

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labbcatVersionInfo

Gets version information of all components of LaBB-CAT.

Description

Version information includes versions of all components and modules installed on the LaBB-CAT server, including format converters and annotator modules.

Usage

```
labbcatVersionInfo(labbcat.url)
```

Arguments

```
labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance
```

Value

The versions of different components of LaBB-CAT, divided into sections:

- System Overall LaBB-CAT system components
- Formats Annotation format conversion modules
- Layer Managers Annotator module versions
- 3rd Pary Software Versions of software installed on the server that LaBB-CAT integrates with, e.g. Praat, FastTrack, etc.
- RDBMS MySQL Server version information

```
## Not run:
## Get ID of LaBB-CAT instance
versionInfo <- labbcatVersionInfo("https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/")
print(paste("LaBB-CAT version", versionInfo$System$`LaBB-CAT`, " Full version info:"))
print(t(as.data.frame(versionInfo)))
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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loadLexicon

Upload a flat lexicon file for lexical tagging.

Description

By default LaBB-CAT includes a layer manager called the Flat Lexicon Tagger, which can be configured to annotate words with data from a dictionary loaded from a plain text file (e.g. a CSV file). The file must have a 'flat' structure in the sense that it's a simple list of dictionary entries with a fixed number of columns/fields, rather than having a complex structure.

Usage

```
loadLexicon(
  labbcat.url,
  file,
  lexicon,
  field.delimiter,
  field.names,
  quote = "",
  comment = "",
  skip.first.line = FALSE,
  no.progress = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance.

file The full path name of the lexicon file.

lexicon The name for the resulting lexicon. If the named lexicon already exists, it will

be completely replaced with the contents of the file (i.e. all existing entries will

be deleted befor adding new entries from the file). e.g. 'cmudict'

field.delimiter

The character used to delimit fields in the file. If this is " - ", rows are split on only the first space, in line with common dictionary formats. e.g.

',' for Comma Separated Values (CSV) files.

field.names A list of field names, delimited by field.delimiter, e.g. 'Word,Pronunciation'.

quote The character used to quote field values (if any), e.g. '"'.

comment The character used to indicate a line is a comment (not an entry) (if any) e.g.

'#'.

skip.first.line

Whether to ignore the first line of the file (because it contains field names).

no.progress TRUE to supress visual progress bar. Otherwise, progress bar will be shown

when interactive().

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Details

This function uploads such a lexicon file, for use in tagging tokens.

You must have editing privileges in LaBB-CAT in order to be able to use this function.

Value

An error message, or NULL if the upload was successful.

See Also

```
getDictionaries deleteLexicon
```

Examples

```
## Not run:
## Upload the CMU Pronouncing Dictionary
loadLexicon(labbcat.url, "cmudict", " - ", "", ";", "Word - Pron", FALSE, "cmudict.txt")
## End(Not run)
```

newLayer

Creates a new layer.

Description

This function creates a new annotation layer. The layer may be configured with a layer manager ID and task parameters, for automatic annotation. If so, this function will create the layer and the automation task, but automatic annotation will not be run by this function. To generate the automatic annotations, use generateLayer.

Usage

```
newLayer(
  labbcat.url,
  layer.id,
  description,
  type = "string",
  alignment = 0,
  category = "General",
  parent.id = "word",
  annotator.id = NULL,
  annotator.task.parameters = NULL
)
```

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Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance layer.id The ID of the layer to create, which must be unique to the LaBB-CAT instance. A description of the annotations the layer will contain. description The type of data the labels will represent. Valid values are "string", "number", type "ipa" (for phoneme representations), or "boolean" (labels "0" or "1"). alignment How annotations on the layer will relate to time alignment; valid values are 0 (no alignment; annototations are just tags on the parent annotation), 1 (instants; annotations mark a single point in time), or 2 (intervals; annotations have a start and end time). category The project/category the layer belongs to. The parent layer; valid values are "word" (for word layers), "segment" (for segparent.id ment layers) "turn" (for phrase layers), or "transcript" (for span layers). annotator.id The ID of the layer manager that automatically fills in annotations on the layer, annotator.task.parameters The configuration the layer manager should use when filling the layer with annotations. This is a string whose format is specific to each layer manager.

Details

You must have administration privileges in LaBB-CAT in order to be able to use this function.

Value

The resulting layer definition, with members:

- *id* The layer's unique ID
- parentId The layer's parent layer ID
- description The description of the layer
- alignment The layer's alignment 0 for none, 1 for point alignment, 2 for interval alignment
- peers Whether children have peers or not
- peersOverlap Whether child peers can overlap or not
- parentIncludes Whether the parent t-includes the child
- saturated Whether children must temporally fill the entire parent duration (true) or not (false)
- parentIncludes Whether the parent t-includes the child
- type The type for labels on this layer
- validLabels List of valid label values for this layer

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newTranscript

Upload a new transcript.

Description

This function adds a transcript and optionally a media file to the corpus.

Usage

```
newTranscript(
  labbcat.url,
  transcript,
  media = NULL,
  transcript.type = NULL,
  corpus = NULL,
  episode = NULL,
  no.progress = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance transcript The path to the transcript to upload. media The path to the media to upload, if any.

transcript.type

The transcript type.

corpus The corpus to add the transcript to.

episode The transcript's episode.

no.progress TRUE to supress visual progress bar. Otherwise, progress bar will be shown

when interactive().

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Details

For this function to work, the credentials used to connect to the server must have at least 'edit' access.

Value

The ID of the new transcript in the corpus

Examples

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"

## Get attributes for new transcript
corpus <- getCorpusIds(labbcat.url)[1]
transcript.type.layer <- getLayer(labbcat.url, "transcript_type")
transcript.type <- transcript.type.layer$validLabels[[1]]

## upload transcript
newTranscript(
    labbcat.url, "my-transcript.eaf", "my-transcript.wav",
    "", transcript.type, corpus, "episode-1")

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

nzilbb.labbcat

Accessing Data Stored in 'LaBB-CAT' Instances

Description

'LaBB-CAT' is a web-based language corpus management system developed by the New Zealand Institute of Language, Brain and Behaviour (NZILBB) - see https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz. This package defines functions for accessing corpus data in a 'LaBB-CAT' instance. You must have at least version 20230224.1731 of 'LaBB-CAT' to use this package. For more information about 'LaBB-CAT', see Robert Fromont and Jennifer Hay (2008) https://doi.org/10.1016/j.csl.2017.01.004>. Robert Fromont (2017) https://doi.org/10.1016/j.csl.2017.01.004>.

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addDictionaryEntry Adds an entry to a dictionary.

addLayerDictionaryEntry

Adds an entry to a layer dictionary. Retrieve annotator's "ext" resource.

countAnnotations Gets the number of annotations on the given

layer of the given transcript.

countMatchingAnnotations

Gets the number of annotations matching a

particular pattern.

deleteLayer Deletes an existing layer.

deleteLexicon Delete a previously loaded lexicon.

deleteParticipant Deletes a participant record.

deleteTranscript Delete a transcript from the corpus.

expressionFromAttributeValue

Generates a query expression for matching a transcript/participant attribute, for use with

getMatches.

expressionFromAttributeValues

Generates a query expression for matching a transcript/participant attribute, for use with

getMatches.

expressionFromIds Generates a query expression for matching

transcripts or participants by ID, for use with

getMatches.

expressionFromTranscriptTypes

Generates a transcript query expression for matching transcripts by type, for use with getMatches or getMatchingTranscriptIds.

formatTranscript Gets transcript(s) in a given format.

generateLayer Generates a layer.

generateLayerUtterances

Generates a layer for a given set of

utterances.

getAllUtterances Get all utterances of participants.

getAnchors Gets the given anchors in the given transcript. getAnnotations Gets the annotations on the given layer of the

given transcript.

getAnnotatorDescriptor

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Gets annotator information.

getAvailableMedia List the media available for the given

transcript.

getCorpusIds Gets a list of corpus IDs.

getDeserializerDescriptors

Lists the descriptors of all registered

deserializers.

getDictionaries List the dictionaries available. getDictionaryEntries Lookup entries in a dictionary.

getFragmentAnnotations

Gets annotations in fragments.

getFragments Gets transcript fragments in a given format. getGraphIds Deprecated synonym for getTranscriptIds.

getGraphIdsWithParticipant

Deprecated synonym for

getTranscriptIdsWithParticipant.

getId Gets the store's ID.
getLayer Gets a layer definition.
getLayerIds Gets a list of layer IDs.

getLayers Gets a list of layer definitions.

getMatchAlignments Gets temporal alignments of matches on a given

layer.

getMatchLabels Gets labels of annotations on a given layer,

identified by given match IDs.

getMatches Search for tokens.

getMatchingAnnotations

Gets a list of annotations that match a

particular pattern.

getMatchingTranscriptIds.

getMatchingParticipantIds

Gets a list of IDs of participants that match a

particular pattern.

getMatchingTranscriptIds

Gets a list of IDs of transcripts that match a

particular pattern.

getMedia Downloads a given media track for a given

transcript.

getMediaTracks List the predefined media tracks available for

transcripts.

 ${\tt getMediaUrl} \qquad \qquad {\tt Gets\ the\ URL\ of\ the\ given\ media\ track\ for\ a}$

given transcript.

getParticipant Gets information about a single participant.

getParticipantAttributes

Gets participant attribute values for given

participant IDs.

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getParticipantIds Gets a list of participant IDs.

getSerializerDescriptors

Lists the descriptors of all registered

serializers.

getSoundFragments Gets sound fragments from 'LaBB-CAT'.

getSystemAttribute Gets the value of the given system attribute.

getTranscriptAttributes

Gets transcript attribute values for given

transcript IDs.

getTranscriptIds Gets a list of transcript IDs.

getTranscriptIdsInCorpus

Gets a list of transcript in a corpus.

getTranscriptIdsWithParticipant

Gets a list of IDs of transcripts that include

the given participant.

getUserInfo Gets information about the current user.

should use for connecting to a given LaBB-CAT

server in future function calls.

labbcatTimeout Sets the timeout for request to the LaBB-CAT

server in future function calls. The default

timeout is 10 seconds.

labbcatVersionInfo Gets version information of all components of

LaBB-CAT.

loadLexicon Upload a flat lexicon file for lexical tagging.

newLayer Creates a new layer. newTranscript Upload a new transcript.

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praatScriptCentreOfGravity

Generates a script for extracting the CoG, for

use with processWithPraat.

praatScriptFastTrack Generates a script for extracting formants

using FastTrack, for use with processWithPraat.

praatScriptFormants Generates a script for extracting formants, for

use with processWithPraat.

praatScriptIntensity Generates a script for extracting maximum

intensity, for use with processWithPraat.

praatScriptPitch Generates a script for extracting pitch, for

use with processWithPraat.

processWithPraat Process a set of intervals with Praat. removeDictionaryEntry Removes an entry from a dictionary.

 ${\tt removeLayerDictionaryEntry}$

Removes an entry from a layer dictionary.

renameParticipants Renames a list of participants.

saveLayer Saves the details of an existing layer. saveParticipant Saves information about a single participant.

updateFragment Update a transcript fragment.
updateTranscript Update an existing transcript.

'LaBB-CAT' is a web-based language corpus management system and this package provides access to data stored in a 'LaBB-CAT' instance. You must have at least version 20230224.1731 'LaBB-CAT' to use this package.

Author(s)

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References

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Examples

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"

## Perform a search
results <- getMatches(labbcat.url, list(segment="I"))

## Get the phonemic transcriptions for the matches
phonemes <- getMatchLabels(labbcat.url, results$MatchId, "phonemes")

## Get sound fragments for the matches
wav.files <- getSoundFragments(labbcat.url, results$Transcript, results$Line, results$LineEnd)

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

praatScriptCentreOfGravity

Generates a script for extracting the CoG, for use with processWith-Praat.

Description

This function generates a Praat script fragment which can be passed as the praat.script parameter of processWithPraat, in order to extract one or more spectral centre of gravity (CoG) measurements.

Usage

```
praatScriptCentreOfGravity(powers = c(2), spectrum.fast = TRUE)
```

Arguments

```
powers A vector of numbers specifying which powers to query for to extract, e.g. c(1.0,2.0). spectrum. fast Whether to use the 'fast' option when creating the spectrum object to query.
```

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Value

A script fragment which can be passed as the praat.script parameter of processWithPraat

See Also

```
processWithPraat
praatScriptFormants
praatScriptIntensity
praatScriptPitch
praatScriptFastTrack
```

Examples

praatScriptFastTrack Generates a script for extracting formants using FastTrack, for use with processWithPraat.

Description

This function generates a Praat script fragment which can be passed as the praat.script parameter of processWithPraat, in order to extract selected formants using the FastTrack Praat plugin.

Usage

```
praatScriptFastTrack(
  formants = c(1, 2),
  sample.points = c(0.5),
  lowest.analysis.frequency = 5000,
  lowest.analysis.frequency.male = 4500,
  highest.analysis.frequency = 7000,
  highest.analysis.frequency.male = 6500,
  gender.attribute = "participant_gender",
```

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```
value.for.male = "M",
time.step = 0.002,
tracking.method = "burg",
number.of.formants = 3,
maximum.f1.frequency = 1200,
maximum.f1.bandwidth = NULL,
maximum.f2.bandwidth = NULL,
maximum.f3.bandwidth = NULL,
minimum.f4.frequency = 2900,
enable.rhotic.heuristic = TRUE,
enable.f3.f4.proximity.heuristic = TRUE,
number.of.steps = 20,
number.of.coefficients = 5
```

Arguments

formants

A vector of integers specifying which formants to extract, e.g c(1,2) for the first and second formant.

sample.points

A vector of numbers (0 <= sample.points <= 1) specifying multiple points at which to take the measurement. The default is a single point at 0.5 - this means one measurement will be taken halfway through the target interval. If, for example, you wanted eleven measurements evenly spaced throughout the interval, you would specify sample.points as being c(0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9, 1.0).

lowest.analysis.frequency

Lowest analysis frequency (Hz) by default.

lowest.analysis.frequency.male

Lowest analysis frequency (Hz) for male speakers, or NULL to use the same value as lowest.analysis.frequency.

highest.analysis.frequency

Highest analysis frequency (Hz) by default.

highest.analysis.frequency.male

Highest analysis frequency (Hz) for male speakers, or NULL to use the same value as highest analysis.frequency.

gender.attribute

Name of the LaBB-CAT participant attribute that contains the participant's gender - normally this is "participant_gender".

value.for.male The value that the gender attribute has when the participant is male.

time.step Time step in seconds.

tracking.method

tracking_method parameter for trackAutoselectProcedure; "burg" or "robust".

number.of.formants

Number of formants to track - 3 or 4.

maximum.fl.frequency

Specifying a non-NULL value enables the F1 frequency heuristic: Median F1 frequency should not be higher than this value.

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maximum.fl.bandwidth

Specifying a non-NULL value (e.g. 500) enables the F1 bandwidth heuristic: Median F1 bandwidth should not be higher than this value.

maximum.f2.bandwidth

Specifying a non-NULL value (e.g. 600) enables the F2 bandwidth heuristic: Median F2 bandwidth should not be higher than this value.

maximum.f3.bandwidth

Specifying a non-NULL value (e.g. 900) enables the F3 bandwidth heuristic: Median F3 bandwidth should not be higher than this value.

minimum.f4.frequency

Specifying a non-NULL value enables the F4 frequency heuristic: Median F4 frequency should not be lower than this value.

enable.rhotic.heuristic

Whether to enable the rhotic heuristic: If F3 < 2000 Hz, F1 and F2 should be at least 500 Hz apart.

enable.f3.f4.proximity.heuristic

Whether to enable the F3/F4 proximity heuristic: If (F4 - F3) < 500 Hz, F1 and F2 should be at least 1500 Hz apart.

number.of.steps

Number of analyses between low and high analysis limits. More analysis steps may improve results, but will increase analysis time (50 percent more steps = around 50 percent longer to analyze).

number.of.coefficients

Number of coefficients for formant prediction. More coefficients allow for more sudden, and 'wiggly' formant motion.

Details

The FastTrack Praat plugin, developed by Santiago Barreda, automatically runs multiple formant analyses on each segment, selects the best (the smoothest, with optional heuristics), and makes the winning formant object available for measurement. For more information, see https://github.com/santiagobarreda/FastTrack

Value

A script fragment which can be passed as the praat.script parameter of processWithPraat

See Also

```
processWithPraat
praatScriptCentreOfGravity
praatScriptIntensity
praatScriptPitch
praatScriptFormants
```

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Examples

 ${\tt praatScriptFormants}$

Generates a script for extracting formants, for use with processWith-Praat.

Description

This function generates a Praat script fragment which can be passed as the praat.script parameter of processWithPraat, in order to extract selected formants.

Usage

```
praatScriptFormants(
  formants = c(1, 2),
  sample.points = c(0.5),
  time.step = 0,
  max.number.formants = 5,
  max.formant = 5500,
  max.formant.male = 5000,
  gender.attribute = "participant_gender",
  value.for.male = "M",
  window.length = 0.025,
  preemphasis.from = 50
)
```

Arguments

formants

A vector of integers specifying which formants to extract, e.g c(1,2) for the first and second formant.

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sample.points

A vector of numbers (0 <= sample.points <= 1) specifying multiple points at which to take the measurement. The default is a single point at 0.5 - this means one measurement will be taken halfway through the target interval. If, for example, you wanted eleven measurements evenly spaced throughout the interval, you would specify sample.points as being c(0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9, 1.0).

time.step

Time step in seconds, or 0.0 for 'auto'.

max.number.formants

Maximum number of formants.

max.formant

Maximum formant value (Hz) for all speakers, or for female speakers, if max.formant.male

is also specified.

max.formant.male

Maximum formant value (Hz) for male speakers, or NULL to use the same value as max.formant.

gender.attribute

Name of the LaBB-CAT participant attribute that contains the participant's gender - normally this is "participant_gender".

value.for.male The value that the gender.attribute has when the participant is male.

window.length Window length in seconds.

preemphasis.from

Pre-emphasis from (Hz)

Details

The praatScriptFastTrack function provides an alternative to this function which uses the FastTrack Praat plugin for formant analysis.

Value

A script fragment which can be passed as the praat.script parameter of processWithPraat

See Also

```
processWithPraat
praatScriptCentreOfGravity
praatScriptIntensity
praatScriptPitch
praatScriptFastTrack
```

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"
## Get all tokens of the KIT vowel
results <- getMatches(labbcat.url, list(segment="I"))</pre>
```

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praatScriptIntensity

Generates a script for extracting maximum intensity, for use with processWithPraat.

Description

This function generates a Praat script fragment which can be passed as the praat.script parameter of processWithPraat, in order to extract maximum intensity value.

Usage

```
praatScriptIntensity(
  minimum.pitch = 100,
  time.step = 0,
  subtract.mean = TRUE,
  get.maximum = TRUE,
  sample.points = NULL,
  interpolation = "cubic",
  skip.errors = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

sample.points

minimum.pitch Minimum pitch (Hz).

time.step Time step in seconds, or 0.0 for 'auto'. subtract.mean Whether to subtract the mean or not.

get.maximum Extract the maximum intensity for the sample.

Extract the maximum mensity for the sample.

A vector of numbers (0 <= sample.points <= 1) specifying multiple points at which to take the measurement. The default is NULL, meaning no individual measurements will be taken (only the aggregate values identified by get.mean, get.minimum, and get.maximum). A single point at 0.5 means one measurement will be taken halfway through the target interval. If, for example, you wanted eleven measurements evenly spaced throughout the interval, you would specify sample.points as being c(0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9, 1.0).

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interpolation If sample.points are specified, this is the interpolation to use when getting in-

dividual values. Possible values are 'nearest', 'linear', 'cubic', 'sinc70', or

'sinc700'.

skip.errors Sometimes, for some segments, Praat fails to create an Intensity object. If

skip.errors = TRUE, analysis those segments will be skipped, and corresponding pitch values will be returned as "-undefined-". If skip.errors = FALSE, the error message from Praat will be returned in the Error field, but no pitch measures will

be returned for any segments in the same recording.

Value

A script fragment which can be passed as the praat.script parameter of processWithPraat

See Also

```
processWithPraat
praatScriptFormants
praatScriptCentreOfGravity
praatScriptPitch
praatScriptFastTrack
```

Examples

praatScriptPitch

Generates a script for extracting pitch, for use with processWithPraat.

Description

This function generates a Praat script fragment which can be passed as the praat.script parameter of processWithPraat, in order to extract pitch information.

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Usage

```
praatScriptPitch(
  get.mean = TRUE,
  get.minimum = FALSE,
  get.maximum = FALSE,
  time.step = 0,
  pitch.floor = 60,
 max.number.of.candidates = 15,
  very.accurate = FALSE,
  silence.threshold = 0.03,
  voicing.threshold = 0.5,
  octave.cost = 0.01,
  octave.jump.cost = 0.35,
  voiced.unvoiced.cost = 0.35,
  pitch.ceiling = 500,
  pitch.floor.male = 30,
  voicing.threshold.male = 0.4,
  pitch.ceiling.male = 250,
  gender.attribute = "participant_gender",
  value.for.male = "M",
  sample.points = NULL,
  interpolation = "linear",
  skip.errors = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

```
Extract the mean pitch for the sample.
get.mean
                  Extract the minimum pitch for the sample.
get.minimum
get.maximum
                  Extract the maximum pitch for the sample.
time.step
                  Step setting for praat command
pitch.floor
                  Minimum pitch (Hz) for all speakers, or for female speakers, if pitch.floor.male
                 is also specified.
max.number.of.candidates
                  Maximum number of candidates setting for praat command
                 Accuracy setting for praat command
very.accurate
silence.threshold
                  Silence threshold setting for praat command
voicing.threshold
                  Voicing threshold (Hz) for all speakers, or for female speakers, if voicing.threshold.male
                  is also specified.
octave.cost
                  Octave cost setting for praat command
octave.jump.cost
                  Octave jump cost setting for praat command
voiced.unvoiced.cost
                  Voiced/unvoiced cost setting for praat command
```

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pitch.ceiling Maximum pitch (Hz) for all speakers, or for female speakers, if pitch.floor.male is also specified.

pitch.floor.male

Minimum pitch (Hz) for male speakers.

voicing.threshold.male

Voicing threshold (Hz) for male speakers.

pitch.ceiling.male

Maximum pitch (Hz) for male speakers.

gender.attribute

Name of the LaBB-CAT participant attribute that contains the participant's gender - normally this is "participant_gender".

value.for.male The value that the gender.attribute has when the participant is male.

sample.points A vector of numbers (0 <= sample.points <= 1) specifying multiple points at

which to take the measurement. The default is NULL, meaning no individual measurements will be taken (only the aggregate values identified by get.mean, get.minimum, and get.maximum). A single point at 0.5 means one measurement will be taken halfway through the target interval. If, for example, you wanted eleven measurements evenly spaced throughout the interval, you would specify

sample.points as being c(0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9, 1.0).

interpolation If sample points are specified, this is the interpolation to use when getting indi-

vidual values. Possible values are 'nearest' or 'linear'.

skip.errors Sometimes, for some segments, Praat fails to create a Pitch object. If skip.errors

= TRUE, analysis those segments will be skipped, and corresponding pitch values will be returned as "-undefined-". If skip.errors = FALSE, the error message from Praat will be returned in the Error field, but no pitch measures will be re-

turned for any segments in the same recording.

Value

A script fragment which can be passed as the praat.script parameter of processWithPraat

See Also

```
processWithPraat
praatScriptFormants
praatScriptCentreOfGravity
praatScriptIntensity
praatScriptFastTrack
```

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"
## Perform a search</pre>
```

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processWithPraat

Process a set of intervals with Praat.

Description

This function instructs the LaBB-CAT server to invoke Praat for a set of sound intervals, in order to extract acoustic measures.

Usage

```
processWithPraat(
  labbcat.url,
  match.ids,
  start.offsets,
  end.offsets,
  praat.script,
  window.offset,
  gender.attribute = "participant_gender",
  attributes = NULL,
  no.progress = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url	URL to the LaBB-CAT instance
match.ids	A vector of annotation IDs, e.g. the MatchId column, or the URL column, of a results set.
start.offsets	The start time in seconds, or a vector of start times.
end.offsets	The end time in seconds, or a vector of end times.
praat.script	Script to run on each match. This may be a single string or a character vector.
window.offset	In many circumstances, you will want some context before and after the sample start/end time. For this reason, you can specify a "window offset" - this is a number of seconds to subtract from the sample start and add to the sample end time, before extracting that part of the audio for processing. For example, if the sample starts at 2.0s and ends at 3.0s, and you set the window offset to

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0.5s, then Praat will extract a sample of audio from 1.5s to 3.5s, and do the selected processing on that sample. The best value for this depends on what the praat.script is doing; if you are getting formants from vowels, including some context ensures that he formants at the edges are more accurate (in LaBB-CAT's web interface, the default value for this 0.025), but if you're getting max pitch or COG during a segment, most likely you want a window.offset of 0 to ensure neighbouring segments doesn't influence the measurement.

gender.attribute

Which participant attribute represents the participant's gender.

attributes

Vector of participant attributes to make available to the script. For example, if you want to use different acoustic parameters depending on what the gender of the speaker is, including the "participant_gender" attribute will make a variable called participant_gender\$ available to the praat script, whose value will be the gender of the speaker for that segment.

no.progress

TRUE to supress visual progress bar. Otherwise, progress bar will be shown when interactive().

Details

The exact measurements to return depend on the praat.script that is invoked. This is a Praat script fragment that will run once for each sound interval specified.

There are functions to allow the generation of a number of pre-defined praat scripts for common tasks such as formant, pitch, intensity, and centre of gravity – see praatScriptFormants, praatScriptCentreOfGravity, praatScriptIntensity and praatScriptPitch.

You can provide your own script, either by building a string with your code, or loading one from a file.

LaBB-CAT prefixes praat.script with code to open a sound file and extract a defined part of it into a Sound object which is then selected.

LaBB-CAT 'Remove's this Sound object after the script finishes executing. Any other objects created by the script must be 'Remove'd before the end of the script (otherwise Praat runs out of memory during very large batches)

LaBB-CAT assumes that all calls to the function 'print' correspond to fields for export and each field must be printed on its own line. Specifically it scans for lines of the form:

print 'myOutputVariable' 'newline\$'

Variables that can be assumed to be already set in the context of the script are:

- windowOffset the value used for the Window Offset; how much context to include.
- windowAbsoluteStart the start time of the window extracted relative to the start of the original audio file.
- windowAbsoluteEnd the end time of the window extracted relative to the start of the original audio file.
- windowDuration the duration of the window extracted (including window offset).
- *targetAbsoluteStart* the start time of the target interval relative to the start of the original audio file.

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• *targetAbsoluteEnd* – the end time of the target interval relative to the start of the original audio file.

- targetStart the start time of the target interval relative to the start of the window extracted.
- targetEnd the end time of the target interval relative to the start of the window extracted.
- *targetDuration* the duration of the target interval.
- sampleNumber the number of the sample within the set of samples being processed.
- sampleName\$ the name of the extracted/selected Sound object.

Value

A data frame of acoustic measures, one row for each matchId.

See Also

```
praatScriptFormants
praatScriptCentreOfGravity
praatScriptIntensity
praatScriptPitch
```

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"</pre>
## Perform a search
results <- getMatches(labbcat.url, list(segment="I"))</pre>
## get F1 and F2 for the mid point of the vowel
formants <- processWithPraat(</pre>
       labbcat.url,
       results$MatchId, results$Target.segment.start, results$Target.segment.end,
       praatScriptFormants())
## get first 3 formants at three points during the sample, the mean, min, and max
## pitch, the max intensity, and the CoG using powers 1 and 2
acoustic.measurements <- processWithPraat(</pre>
       labbcat.url,
       results$MatchId, results$Target.segment.start, results$Target.segment.end,
       paste(
           praatScriptFormants(c(1,2,3), c(0.25,0.5,0.75)),
           praatScriptPitch(get.mean=TRUE, get.minimum=TRUE, get.maximum=TRUE),
           praatScriptIntensity(),
           praatScriptCentreOfGravity(powers=c(1.0,2.0))),
       window.offset=0.5)
## execute a custom script loaded form a file
acoustic.measurements <- processWithPraat(</pre>
       labbcat.url,
```

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```
results$MatchId, results$Target.segment.start, result$Target.segment.end,
readLines("acousticMeasurements.praat"))
## End(Not run)
```

removeDictionaryEntry Removes an entry from a dictionary.

Description

This function removes an existing entry from the given dictionary.

Usage

```
removeDictionaryEntry(
  labbcat.url,
  manager.id,
  dictionary.id,
  key,
  entry = NULL
)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance
manager.id The layer manager ID of the dictionary, as returned by getDictionaries
dictionary.id The ID of the dictionary, as returned by getDictionaries
key The key (word) in the dictionary to remove an entry for.
entry The value (definition) for the given key, or NULL to remove all entries for the key.

Details

You must have edit privileges in LaBB-CAT in order to be able to use this function.

Value

NULL if the entry was removed, or a list of error messages if not.

See Also

```
getDictionaries
getDictionaryEntries
```

Examples

```
## Not run:
## Remove a pronuciation of the word "robert" from the CELEX wordform pronunciation dictionary
removeDictionaryEntry(labbcat.url, "CELEX-EN", "Phonology (wordform)", "robert", "'rQ-bErt")
## End(Not run)
removeLayerDictionaryEntry
```

Removes an entry from a layer dictionary.

Description

This function removes an existing entry from the dictionary that manages a given layer, and updates all affected tokens in the corpus. Words can have multiple entries.

Usage

```
removeLayerDictionaryEntry(labbcat.url, layer.id, key, entry = NULL)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance

layer.id The ID of the layer with a dictionary configured to manage it. key The key (word) in the dictionary to remove an entry from.

entry The value (definition) for the given key, or NULL to remove all entries for the

given key.

Details

You must have edit privileges in LaBB-CAT in order to be able to use this function.

Value

NULL if the entry was added, or a list of error messages if not.

See Also

```
generateLayer
```

```
## Not run:
## Remove a pronunciation for "robert" from the phonemes layer dictionary
removeLayerDictionaryEntry(labbcat.url, "phonemes", "robert", "'rQ-bErt")
## End(Not run)
```

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renameParticipants

Renames a list of participants.

Description

This function changes the IDs of a given set of participants, where possible.

Usage

```
renameParticipants(labbcat.url, current.ids, new.ids, no.progress = FALSE)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url	URL to the LaBB-CAT instance
current.ids	A vector of participant IDs that as they are currently defined in the corpus.
new.ids	A vector of new participant IDs, each element corresponding to an ID in current.ids.
no.progress	TRUE to supress visual progress bar. Otherwise, progress bar will be shown when interactive().

Value

A vector of results, each element corresponding to an ID in current.ids. If the ID was successfully changed, the corresponding element is TRUE. If the ID could not be changed (e.g. because there is already an existing participant using the new ID), then the corresponding element is FALSE.

See Also

 ${\tt getParticipantIds}\ {\tt getMatchingParticipantIds}\ {\tt getParticipant}\ {\tt saveParticipant}\ {\tt deleteParticipant}$

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"

## Create some new participant records
old.ids <- c("test-id-1","test-id-2","test-id-3")
for (id in old.ids) saveParticipant(labbcat.url, id)

## Batch change the IDs
new.ids <- c("test-id-1-changed","test-id-2-changed","test-id-3-changed")
renameParticipants(labbcat.url, old.ids, new.ids)

## Delete the participants we just created
for (id in new.ids) deleteParticipant(labbcat.url, id)

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

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saveLayer

Saves the details of an existing layer.

Description

This function saves the definition of an existing annotation layer.

Usage

```
saveLayer(labbcat.url, layer)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url

URL to the LaBB-CAT instance

layer

A named list object representing the layer attributes, as would be returned by getLayer or newLayer, with members:

- id The layer's unique ID
- parentId The layer's parent layer ID
- description The description of the layer
- *alignment* The layer's alignment 0 for none, 1 for point alignment, 2 for interval alignment
- peers Whether children have peers or not
- peersOverlap Whether child peers can overlap or not
- parentIncludes Whether the parent t-includes the child
- *saturated* Whether children must temporally fill the entire parent duration (true) or not (false)
- parentIncludes Whether the parent t-includes the child
- type The type for labels on this layer
- validLabels List of valid label values for this layer

Details

You must have administration privileges in LaBB-CAT in order to be able to use this function.

Value

The resulting layer definition, with members:

- id The layer's unique ID
- parentId The layer's parent layer ID
- description The description of the layer
- alignment The layer's alignment 0 for none, 1 for point alignment, 2 for interval alignment
- peers Whether children have peers or not
- peersOverlap Whether child peers can overlap or not

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- parentIncludes Whether the parent t-includes the child
- saturated Whether children must temporally fill the entire parent duration (true) or not (false)
- parentIncludes Whether the parent t-includes the child
- type The type for labels on this layer
- validLabels List of valid label values for this layer

See Also

```
newLayer getLayer deleteLayer
```

Examples

```
## Not run:
## Get the pronunciation layer definition
pronunciation <- getLayer(labbcat.url, "pronunciation")

## Change some details of the definition
pronunciation$description <- "CMU Dict pronunciations encoded in DISC"
pronunciation$type <- "ipa"

## Save the changes to the layer definition
saveLayer(labbcat.url, pronunciation)

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

saveParticipant

Saves information about a single participant.

Description

This function allows the participant attributes and the ID of a given participant to be updated.

Usage

```
saveParticipant(labbcat.url, id, label = id, attributes = NULL)
```

Arguments

labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance

id The participant ID - either the unique internal database ID, or their name.

label The new ID (name) for the participant

attributes A named list of participant attribute values - the names are the participant at-

tribute layer IDs, and the values are the corresponding new attribute values. The pass phrase for participant access can also be set by specifying a "_password"

attribute.

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Details

To change the ID of an existing participant, pass the old/current ID as the id, and pass the new ID as the label.

If the participant ID does not already exist in the database, a new participant record is created.

Value

TRUE if the participant's record was updated, FALSE if there were no changes detected.

See Also

```
getParticipant
deleteParticipant
```

Examples

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"

## Create a new participant record
saveParticipant(labbcat.url, "Juan Perez", attributes=list(participant_gender="M"))

## Change the name and the gender of the participant record
saveParticipant(labbcat.url, "Juan Perez", "Maria Perez", list(participant_gender="F"))

### Delete the participant we just created
deleteParticipant(labbcat.url, "Maria Perez")

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

updateFragment

Update a transcript fragment.

Description

This function uploads a file (e.g. Praat TextGrid) representing a fragment of a transcript, with annotations or alignments to update in LaBB-CAT's version of the transcript.

Usage

```
updateFragment(labbcat.url, fragment.path)
```

Arguments

```
labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance fragment.path The path to the fragment to upload.
```

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Details

For this function to work, the credentials used to connect to the server must have at least 'edit' access.

Value

A named list with information about the fragment that was updated.

Examples

```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"

## upload new verison of transcript transcript
updateFragment(labbcat.url, "my-transcript__1.234-5.678.TextGrid")

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

updateTranscript

Update an existing transcript.

Description

This function uploads a new version of an existing transcript.

Usage

```
updateTranscript(labbcat.url, transcript.path, no.progress = FALSE)
```

Arguments

```
labbcat.url URL to the LaBB-CAT instance transcript.path
```

The path to the transcript to upload.

no.progress TRUE to supress visual progress bar. Otherwise, progress bar will be shown when interactive().

Details

For this function to work, the credentials used to connect to the server must have at least 'edit' access.

Value

The ID of the updated transcript in the corpus

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```
## Not run:
## define the LaBB-CAT URL
labbcat.url <- "https://labbcat.canterbury.ac.nz/demo/"
## upload new verison of transcript transcript
updateTranscript(labbcat.url, "my-transcript.eaf")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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