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browse\_eco\_opening

Browse ECO opening

### Description

Browse ECO opening winning and drawing percentages by table and barplot

### Usage

```
browse_eco_opening(df, topn = 0)
```

### **Arguments**

df data frame with imported chess games from read.pgn() function.

topn integer, default is 0, passed to tree\_eco function (indicating how many top open-

ings should be included).

### Value

Data frame from tree\_eco function and plot from plot\_tree\_eco function.

### **Examples**

```
f <- system.file("extdata", "Kasparov.gz", package = "bigchess")
con <- gzfile(f,encoding = "latin1")
df <- read.pgn(con,quiet = TRUE,ignore.other.games = TRUE,stat.moves = FALSE, add.tags = "ECO")
# Analyze 20 best ECO Kasparov openings:
bo <- browse_eco_opening(subset(df,grepl("Kasparov",White)),20)</pre>
```

browse\_opening

Browse opening

### **Description**

Browse opening winning and drawing percentages by table and barplot

### Usage

```
browse_opening(df, movetext = "")
```

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### **Arguments**

df data frame with imported chess games from read.pgn() function.

movetext move for White. The standard

English values are required: pawn = "P" (often not used), knight = "N", bishop

= "B", rook = "R", queen = "Q", and king = "K".

#### Value

Data frame from tree\_move function and plot from plot\_tree\_move function.

### **Examples**

```
f <- system.file("extdata", "Kasparov.gz", package = "bigchess")
con <- gzfile(f,encoding = "latin1")
df <- read.pgn(con,quiet = TRUE,ignore.other.games = TRUE,stat.moves = FALSE)
# Analyze best Kasparov openings:
bo <- browse_opening(subset(df,grepl("Kasparov",White)))
# Analyze 'best' answer to Kasparov Ruy Lopez:
bo <- browse_opening(subset(df,grepl("Kasparov",White)),"1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5")
# Analyze best answer to "1.e4 e5 2.Nf3" in aggregated data
browse_opening(FirstTwoMoves,"1.e4 e5 2.Nf3")</pre>
```

extract\_moves

Extract first N moves

### Description

Extract first N moves from pgn movetext into data frame

#### Usage

```
extract_moves(movetext, N = 10, last.move = T)
```

#### **Arguments**

movetext movetext string (or string vector). The standard English values are required:

pawn = "P" (often not used), knight = "N", bishop = "B", rook = "R", queen =

Q, and king = K.

N integer (default 10) determines how many first N moves will be extracted. De-

fault is 10, should be greater than 0.

last.move boolean (default TRUE) indicating whether to calculate the last move

### Value

Data frame containing first N moves for white and for black, named as W1, B1, W2 and so on, up to WN and BN (where N is input argument). If N is greater than total moves number then NA's generated. Column complete.movetext flag is indicating if movetext string begin with "1.'move'".

n\_moves

### **Examples**

```
extract_moves("1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nf5 3. d5 ",N = 3)
# e4 e5 Nf3 Nf5 d5 NA TRUE
extract_moves("1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nf5 3. d5 ",N = 3, last.move = TRUE)
# e4 e5 Nf3 Nf5 d5 NA d5 TRUE
```

FirstTwoMoves

Example dataset

### **Description**

A dataset containing 10,894 results after first two moves in 2,395,869 high-quality chess games played over the board by players with ELO > 2000. Source data OTB-HQ.7z downloaded from: https://sourceforge.net/projects/codekiddy-chess/ and converted to PGN in SCID software.

• Result:

• W1: White first move

• B1: Black first move

• W2: White second move

• B2: Black second move

• Freq: Number of games played in database

### Usage

```
data(FirstTwoMoves)
```

#### **Format**

A data frame with popular positions in classic chess

n\_moves

Compute number of moves

### **Description**

Compute total number of moves given movetext string (or string vector)

### Usage

```
n_moves(movetext)
```

### **Arguments**

movetext

movetext string (or string vector)

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#### Value

```
n integer (or integer vector)
```

### **Examples**

```
n_{moves}(c("1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nf5 3. d5 ","1. d4 d5")) # 3 1
```

player\_profile

Compute player profile

#### **Description**

Computes players profile from data frame obtained from read.pgn() function into data frame

### Usage

```
player_profile(df, player)
```

### **Arguments**

df data frame from read.pgn or read.pgn.ff files with stats computed.

player string used in grepl(player,White) and grepl(player,Black)

#### Value

Data frame with player (column prefix P\_) and opponent (column prefix O\_) figure move counts. Column Player\_Col indicating pieces colour for player (factor White or Black). Example column P\_Q\_moves means number of player Queen moves count.

```
f <- system.file("extdata", "Kasparov.gz", package = "bigchess")</pre>
con <- gzfile(f,encoding = "latin1")</pre>
df <- read.pgn(con,quiet = TRUE,ignore.other.games = TRUE)</pre>
nrow(df) # 2109
df_pp <- player_profile(df, "Kasparov, Gary")</pre>
nrow(df_pp) # 1563
df_pp <- player_profile(df, "Kasparov,G")</pre>
nrow(df_pp) # 543
df_pp <- player_profile(df, "Kasparov, G\\.")</pre>
nrow(df_pp) # 2
df_pp <- player_profile(df, "Kasparov")</pre>
nrow(df_pp) # 2109 - correct
boxplot(P_Q_moves/NMoves~Player_Col,df_pp,
main = "Average Queen Moves\n Kasparov as Black (909 games) vs Kasparov as White (1200 games)",
col = c("black","white"),border = c("black","black"),notch = TRUE)
# Magnus Carlsen data example
```

plot\_tree\_eco

```
f <- system.file("extdata", "Carlsen.gz", package = "bigchess")
con <- gzfile(f,encoding = "latin1")
df <- read.pgn(con,quiet = TRUE,ignore.other.games = TRUE)
nrow(df) # 2410
df_pp <- player_profile(df,"Carlsen")
nrow(df_pp) # 2411 - ??
# One game was played by Carlsen,H
df_pp <- player_profile(df,"Carlsen,M")
nrow(df_pp) # 2410 - correct</pre>
```

plot\_tree\_eco

Plot tree for a given tree ECO table

### **Description**

Plot tree (barplot percentages) for a given tree ECO data frame.

### Usage

```
plot_tree_eco(tr, main = "", add.lines = T, add.labels = T)
```

### Arguments

tr	data frame containg tree ECO
main	string for main title, default is ""
add.lines	boolean (default TRUE) add weighted mean lines?
add.labels	boolean (default TRUE) add labels?

### Value

Barplot with white scores, draws percent and black scores.

```
f <- system.file("extdata", "Kasparov.gz", package = "bigchess")
con <- gzfile(f,encoding = "latin1")
df <- read.pgn(con,quiet = TRUE,stat.moves = FALSE, add.tags = "ECO")
tr <- tree_eco(subset(df,W1=="e4"),20)
plot_tree_eco(tr,"1. e4 ... ?")</pre>
```

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plot\_tree\_move

Plot tree for a given tree move table

### **Description**

Plot tree (barplot percentages) for a given tree move data frame.

### Usage

```
plot_tree_move(tr, main = "", add.lines = T, add.labels = T)
```

### **Arguments**

```
tr data frame containg tree move
main string for main title, default is ""
add.lines boolean (default TRUE) add weighted mean lines?
add.labels boolean (default TRUE) add labels?
```

### Value

Barplot with white scores, draws percent and black scores.

### **Examples**

```
f <- system.file("extdata", "Kasparov.gz", package = "bigchess")
con <- gzfile(f,encoding = "latin1")
df <- read.pgn(con,quiet = TRUE,stat.moves = FALSE)
tr <- tree_move(subset(df,W1=="e4"),"B1")
plot_tree_move(tr,"1. e4 ... ?")
# Plot tree move openings in aggregated data
tr <- tree_move(FirstTwoMoves,"W1")
plot_tree_move(tr,paste0("1. ... ?\n",sum(FirstTwoMoves$Freq)," total games"))</pre>
```

read.pgn

Reads PGN files into data frame

### **Description**

Reads PGN files into data frame

### Usage

```
read.pgn(con, add.tags = NULL, n.moves = T, extract.moves = 10,
  last.move = T, stat.moves = T, big.mode = F, quiet = F,
  ignore.other.games = F)
```

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### **Arguments**

connection argument passed directly to readLines() function. String - the name con of the file which the data are to be read from or connection object or URL. string vector containing additional tags to be parsed. According to Seven Tag add.tags Roster rule: http://www.saremba.de/chessgml/standards/pgn/pgn-complete.htm#c8.1.1 The STR tag pairs appear before any other tag pairs: "Event", "Site", "Date", "Round", "White", "Black" and "Result". Using this argument you can specify supplemental tag names, such as: Player related information, Event related information, Opening information (locale specific), Opening information (third party vendors), Time and date related information, Time control, Alternative starting positions, Game conclusion and Miscellaneous. Most popular: "WhiteElo", "BlackElo", "ECO", "SetUp" or "FEN". Case sensitive. boolean (default TRUE), compute number of moves? n.moves integer (default 10) passed to extract\_moves function. Additionaly value -1 will extract.moves extract all moves from movetext (not recommended for big files). Value 0 means that moves will not be extracted. last.move boolean (default TRUE) passed to extract moves, ignored when extract.moves stat.moves boolean (default TRUE), compute moves count statistics? Could take a long time for big file. boolean (default FALSE) used in read.pgn.ff function big.mode quiet boolean (default FALSE), indicating if messages should appear. ignore.other.games boolean (default FALSE) if TRUE result is subset of original dataset without

#### Value

Data frame containg STR, additional tags (conditionally), Movetext, NMoves (conditionally), extracted moves (conditionally) with complete.movetext flag, figure moves count statistics (conditionally).

games with result marked as "\*", i.e. ongoing games

```
f <- system.file("extdata", "2016_Candidates.pgn", package = "bigchess")
df <- read.pgn(f)
# ...successfully imported 56 games...

# Example downloaded from https://www.pgnmentor.com/files.html#players and gzipped:
f <- system.file("extdata", "Carlsen.gz", package = "bigchess")
con <- gzfile(f,encoding = "latin1")
df <- read.pgn(con,quiet = TRUE)
# Fastest mode:
con <- gzfile(f,encoding = "latin1")
df <- read.pgn(con,quiet = TRUE,n.moves = FALSE,extract.moves = FALSE,
stat.moves = FALSE, ignore.other.games = FALSE)
# Parse additional tags and extract all moves:</pre>
```

read.pgn.ff

```
con <- gzfile(f,encoding = "latin1")
df <- read.pgn(con,add.tags = c("WhiteElo", "BlackElo", "ECO"),extract.moves = -1)
# Example of direct downloading data from chess.com using API:
df <- read.pgn("https://api.chess.com/pub/player/fabianocaruana/games/2013/03/pgn")
# Warning of incomplete line could appear

# Example of scraping all of games given user:
user <- "fabianocaruana"
library("rjson")
json_file <- paste0("https://api.chess.com/pub/player/",user,"/games/archives")
json_data <- fromJSON(paste(readLines(json_file), collapse=""))
result <- data.frame()
for(i in json_data$archives)
result <- rbind(result,read.pgn(paste0(i,"/pgn")))</pre>
```

read.pgn.ff

Reads PGN files into ff data frame

### **Description**

Reads PGN files into ff data frame

### Usage

```
read.pgn.ff(con, batch.size = 10^6, ignore.other.games = F, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

con

connection argument passed directly to readLines() function. String - the name of the file which the data are to be read from or connection object or URL.

batch.size

number of lines to read in one batch, default is 10<sup>6</sup>.

ignore.other.games

boolean (default FALSE) if TRUE result is subset of original dataset without games with result marked as "\*", i.e. ongoing games. The only one argument which is not passed directly to read.pgn function.

. . further arguments passed of

further arguments passed directly to read.pgn() function (besides ignore.other.games and big.mode)

#### Value

ff data frame like from read.pgn() function. Since character values are not supported in ffdf object, "Movetext" column is ommited.

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### **Examples**

```
require(ff)
require(ffbase)
f <- system.file("extdata", "Carlsen.gz", package = "bigchess")</pre>
con <- gzfile(f,"rbt",encoding = "latin1")</pre>
# options("fftempdir"="/path/"...) # if necessarily
fdf <- read.pgn.ff(con,stat.moves = FALSE)</pre>
delete(fdf)
# Works with all types of connections (also gz or zip files).
# con argument is passed directly to readLines(con,batch.size)
# so (if total number of lines to read is greater then batch.size)
# depending on platform use it correctly:
# Windows ('rb' opening mode for loop over readLines):
con <- gzfile(system.file("extdata", "Carlsen.gz", package = "bigchess"), "rb", encoding = "latin1")</pre>
# con <- file("path_to_big_chess_file.pgn","rb",encoding = "latin1")</pre>
fdf <- read.pgn.ff(con)</pre>
delete(fdf)
# Linux ('r' opening mode for loop over readLines):
con <- gzfile(system.file("extdata", "Carlsen.gz", package = "bigchess"),"r",encoding = "latin1")</pre>
# con <- file("path_to_big_chess_file.pgn","r",encoding = "latin1")</pre>
fdf <- read.pgn.ff(con)</pre>
delete(fdf)
```

stat\_moves

Extract statistics of moves

#### **Description**

Extract statistics of moves (counts figure moves) from movetext vector into data frame

### Usage

```
stat_moves(movetext, sides = "both")
```

### **Arguments**

```
movetext movetext string (or string vector). The standard English values are required: pawn = "P" \text{ (often not used), knight} = "N", bishop = "B", rook = "R", queen = "Q", and king = "K". sides "both" \text{ (default),"white" or "black"}
```

#### Value

Data frame containing moves count statistics for white and for black and total.

```
stat_moves("1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nf5 3. d5 ")
```

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tree\_eco

Compute ECO tree

### Description

Compute ECO tree (frequencies and winning percent)

### Usage

```
tree_eco(df, topn = 0)
```

### **Arguments**

df data frame containg ECO and Result columns

topn integer, default 0, indicating how many top openings should be included, 0

means show all openings

#### Value

Data frame containg White\_score (White winning percent), Draws\_percent, Black\_score and N (number of games). Sorted by power of ECO (White\_score \* N which describes popularity and score of move) descending.

### **Examples**

```
f <- system.file("extdata", "Kasparov.gz", package = "bigchess")
con <- gzfile(f,encoding = "latin1")
df <- read.pgn(con,quiet = TRUE,stat.moves = FALSE, add.tags = "ECO")</pre>
```

tree\_move

Compute tree for a given move

### Description

Compute tree for a given move (frequencies and winning percent)

### Usage

```
tree_move(df, move)
```

### **Arguments**

df data frame containg move and Result column from pgn function or data frame

containing aggregated data from such df (containg columns: Result, W1, B1,

W2, ..., WN, BN, Freq)

move character indicating which move should be browsed, example "W1"

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### Value

Data frame containg White\_score (White winning percent), Draws\_percent, Black\_score and N (number of games). Sorted by power of move (White\_score times N which describes popularity and score of move) descending.

```
f <- system.file("extdata", "Kasparov.gz", package = "bigchess")
con <- gzfile(f,encoding = "latin1")
df <- read.pgn(con,quiet = TRUE,stat.moves = FALSE)
# Analyze best answers to 1. e4 in Kasparov games (both white and black)
tree_move(subset(df,W1=="e4"),move = "B1")
# Analyze openings in aggregated data
tree_move(FirstTwoMoves, "W1")</pre>
```

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