

DIGILAB WORKSHOP SERIES:
TEXT ANALYSIS 101

TEXT ANALYSIS FOR LITERATURE AND BEYOND

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R and R Studio



THE MEANING OF A WORD
IS ITS USE IN THE
LANGUAGE

Ludwig Wittgenstein



LITERATURE & TEXT ANALYSIS

- Literature and text analysis make excellent companions!
- Busa's work in 1946: encoding 11 million tokens of Thomas Aquinas' writing on IBM punch cards (Sula & Hill 2019)
- on literary dialect (Ellis 1994) including Southern American English, Scots (Burns poetry studied in 1930s by Snyder)
- Revisiting claims of literary scholars:
 - themes in Jane Austen (Fischer-Starke 2010)
- [Culpepper](#) on Shakespeare (2002), Klein's work on slavery texts (2013), semantics, pragmatics (Biber 2011) and much more!!

REPRESENTATION & DRAWING CONCLUSIONS

- Like any data sample, a corpus can be evaluated for the extent to which it represents a 'population' (Biber 2011; Brezina 2018; Baker 2006, 2011)



DATA SOURCES

- [University of Georgia Corpus Server](#)
- [Linguistic Data Consortium](#)
- The World Wide Web
- [UGA Library Databases](#)
- [The Hathi Trust Digital Library](#)
- [Project Gutenberg](#)
- [CLARIN historical corpora](#)
- [ELTeC: European Literary Text Collection](#)

METHODS



Frequency analysis



Analysis of Multiword units/ngrams



Keyword-in-context; dispersion



Sentiment analysis



- **Tidyttext:** helpful for data formatting and visualization; works well with other packages in the Tidyverse (Silge & Robinson 2016)
- [Syuzhet](#): package created specifically for sentiment analysis by Jockers
- **Quanteda:** incredibly useful package; includes preprocessing abilities, dtm function, as well as statistical analyses options like document classification and topic modeling
- **Ggplot2:** great way to visualize your data

COURSES AT UGA

- This Fall 2021:
- Natural Language Processing: LING 4570/6570
- Style: ENGL/LING 4826/6826
- American English: ENGL/LING 4010/6010
- Note: These all count toward the Digital Humanities Undergraduate certificate!





TOOLS

- [AntConc](#): A free corpus analysis toolkit for concordancing and corpus-based methods
- [Voyant Tools](#): web-based text reading and analysis environment
- [Google Books Ngram Viewer](#): online search engine that charts the frequencies of any set of comma-delimited search strings
- [Wordseer](#): text analysis environment that combines visualization, information retrieval, and nlp methods
- [Tapor](#): web-based set of text analysis tools
- [SketchEngine](#): text mining app based out of the EU; includes options for your own corpora and includes 500+ other corpora
- [JSTOR Lab's Text Analyzer Tool](#): Includes options for analyzing your texts, identifying topics, and built-in recommendations.
- [DataBasic](#): suite of tools for visualizing and analyzing text (and other types of data)



ADDITIONAL TOOLS

- [MALLET](#): Maps patterns across texts with various tools.
- [Perl](#): was originally created to be a general purpose programming language to help with reports; includes many excellent text-specific functions; supports powerful regular expressions, string processing, and parsing
- Python: StanfordNLP, CoreNLP, gensim, and spacy are all useful libraries.



DATA OFFICE HOURS



CONSULTATIONS FOR DATA CLEANING, STRUCTURING, AND VISUALIZING

Whether just starting your work, or trying to make sense of your research, schedule an appointment for our Data Office Hours and bring your data (text, archival information, numerical data, etc.) for advice and guidance on your project. Expertise in corpus linguistics, Excel, and R, among other tools for data structuring and visualization.

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RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

- Language and Literature Journal
- Stylistics: a practical coursebook
- Dialect and Dichotomy
- [Evert's work on collocations and corpus methods](#)
- [Silge and Robinson's Text Mining with R](#)

COMING UP NEXT...



15 April: Creating your own Social Media Corpus



22 April: Text Analysis Applications: Social Media

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