Package 'stylest'

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fit_term_usage   *Computes speakers' term usage rates*

Description

Computes speakers' term usage rates

Usage

```
fit_term_usage(
  x,
  speaker,
  terms,
  smooth,
  term_weights,
  fill_method,
  fill_weight,
  weight_varname
)
```

Arguments

x	Text vector. May be a `corpus_frame` object
speaker	Vector of speaker labels. Should be the same length as `x`
terms	Vocabulary for document term matrix
smooth	Numeric value used smooth term frequencies
term_weights	Dataframe of distances (or any weights) per word in the vocab. This dataframe should have one column $word and a second column $weight_var containing the weight for the word
fill_method	if "value" (default), `fill_weight` is used to fill any terms with NA weight. If "mean", the mean term_weight should be used as the fill value
fill_weight	numeric value to fill in as weight for any term which does not have a weight specified in `term_weights`
weight_varname	Name of the column in term_weights containing the weights

Value

named list of: terms, vector of num tokens uttered by each speaker, smoothing value, term weights (NULL if no weights), terms whose weights were imputed (NULL if no `term_weights=NULL`), fill_weight used to fill missing weights (NULL if no `term_weights=NULL`), and (smoothed) term usage rate matrix

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novels_excerpts *Excerpts from English novels*

Description

A dataset of text from English novels by Jane Austen, George Eliot, and Elizabeth Gaskell.

Usage

```
novels_excerpts
```

Format

A dataframe with 21 rows and 3 variables:

title Title

author Author

text Excerpt of text in complete sentences from the first 1,000 chars of the novel.

Source

Novel excerpts obtained from Project Gutenberg full texts in the public domain in the USA. http://gutenberg.org

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print.stylest_model *Custom print method for stylest_model*

Description

Custom print method for stylest_model

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'stylest_model'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	'stylest_model' object
...	Additional arguments

Value

Prints summary information about the 'stylest_model' object

Examples

```
data(novels_excerpts)
speaker_mod <- stylest_fit(novels_excerpts$text, novels_excerpts$author)
print(speaker_mod)
```

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stylest   *stylest: A package for estimating textual distinctiveness*

Description

stylest provides a set of functions for fitting a model of speaker distinctiveness, including tools for selecting the optimal vocabulary for the model and predicting the most likely speaker (author) of a new text.

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stylest_fit   *Fit speaker_model to a corpus*

Description

The main function in `stylest`, `stylest_fit` fits a model using a corpus of texts labeled by speaker.

Usage

```
stylest_fit(
  x,
  speaker,
  terms = NULL,
  filter = NULL,
  smooth = 0.5,
  term_weights = NULL,
  fill_method = "value",
  fill_weight = 0,
  weight_varname = "mean_distance"
)
```

Arguments

x	Text vector. May be a `corpus_frame` object
speaker	Vector of speaker labels. Should be the same length as `x`
terms	If not `NULL`, terms to be used in the model. If `NULL`, use all terms
filter	If not `NULL`, a text filter to specify the tokenization. See `corpus` for more information about specifying `filter`
smooth	Numeric value used smooth term frequencies instead of the default of 0.5
term_weights	Dataframe of distances (or any weights) per word in the vocab. This dataframe should have one column $word and a second column $weight_var containing the weight for the word. See the vignette for details.
fill_method	if `"value"` (default), `fill_weight` is used to fill any terms with NA weight. If `"mean"`, the mean term_weight should be used as the fill value
fill_weight	numeric value to fill in as weight for any term which does not have a weight specified in `term_weights`, default=0.0 (drops any words without weights)
weight_varname	Name of the column in term_weights containing the weights, default="mean_distance"

Details

The user may specify only one of `terms` or `cutoff`. If neither is specified, all terms will be used.

Value

A S3 `stylest_model` object containing: `speakers` Vector of unique speakers, `filter` text_filter used, `terms` terms used in fitting the model, `ntoken` Vector of number of tokens per speaker, `smooth` Smoothing value, `weights` If not NULL, a named matrix of weights for each term in the vocab, `rate` Matrix of speaker rates for each term in vocabulary

Examples

```
data(novels_excerpts)
speaker_mod <- stylest_fit(novels_excerpts$text, novels_excerpts$author)
```

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stylest_odds	*Pairwise prediction of the most likely speaker of texts*

Description

Computes the mean log odds of the most likely speaker of each text over pairs of the speaker of a text and every other speaker in the `stylest_model`.

Usage

```
stylest_odds(model, text, speaker, prior = NULL)
```

Arguments

`model`	`stylest_model` object
`text`	Text vector. May be a `corpus_frame` object
`speaker`	Vector of speaker labels. Should be the same length as `x`
`prior`	Prior probability of speakers. Uses equal prior if `NULL`

Value

A S3 `stylest_odds` object containing: a `stylest_model` object; vector of mean log odds that each actual speaker (compared with other speakers in the corpus) spoke their corresponding texts in the corpus; vector of SEs of the log odds

Examples

```
data(novels_excerpts)
speaker_mod <- stylest_fit(novels_excerpts$text, novels_excerpts$author)
stylest_odds(speaker_mod, novels_excerpts$text, novels_excerpts$author)
```

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stylest_predict   *Predict the most likely speaker of a text*

Description

Use a fitted stylest_model to predict the most likely speaker of a text. This function may be used on in-sample or out-of-sample texts.

Usage

```
stylest_predict(model, text, prior = NULL)
```

Arguments

`model`	`stylest_model` object
`text`	Text vector. May be a `corpus_frame` object
`prior`	Prior probability, defaults to `NULL`

Value

`stylest_predict` object containing: `model` the fitted `stylest_model` object used in prediction, `predicted` the predicted speaker, `log_probs` matrix of log probabilities, `log_prior` matrix of log prior probabilities

Examples

```
data(novels_excerpts)
speaker_mod <- stylest_fit(novels_excerpts$text, novels_excerpts$author)
stylest_predict(speaker_mod, "This is an example text, who wrote it?")
```

stylest_select_vocab   *Select vocabulary using cross-validated out-of-sample prediction*

Description

Selects optimal vocabulary quantile(s) for model fitting using performance on predicting out-of-sampletexts.

Usage

```
stylest_select_vocab(
  x,
  speaker,
  filter = NULL,
  smooth = 0.5,
  nfold = 5,
  cutoff_pcts = c(50, 60, 70, 80, 90, 99),
  cutoffs_term_weights = NULL,
  fill_method = "value",
  fill_weight = 1,
  weight_varname = "mean_distance"
)
```

Arguments

x	Corpus as text vector. May be a `corpus_frame` object
speaker	Vector of speaker labels. Should be the same length as `x`
filter	if not NULL, a corpus text_filter
smooth	value for smoothing. Defaults to 0.5
nfold	Number of folds for cross-validation. Defaults to 5
cutoff_pcts	Vector of cutoff percentages to test. Defaults to `c(50, 60, 70, 80, 90, 99)`
cutoffs_term_weights	
	Named list of dataframes of term weights, where the names correspond to the `cutoff_pcts`. Each dataframe should have one column $word and a second column $weight_varname containing the weight for the word. See the vignette for details.
fill_method	if `"value"` (default), `fill_weight` is used to fill any terms with NA weight. If `"mean"`, the mean term_weight should be used as the fill value
fill_weight	numeric value to fill in as weight for any term which does not have a weight specified in `term_weights`, default=1.0
weight_varname	Name of the column in each term_weights dataframe containing the weights, default=`"mean_distance"`

Value

List of: best cutoff percent with the best speaker classification rate; cutoff percentages that were tested; matrix of the mean percentage of incorrectly identified speakers for each cutoff percent and fold; and the number of folds for cross-validation

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(novels_excerpts)
stylest_select_vocab(novels_excerpts$text, novels_excerpts$author, cutoff_pcts = c(50, 90))

## End(Not run)
```

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stylest_terms *Use vocab cutoff to select terms for fitting the model*

Description

The same text, speaker, and filter should be used in this model as in `fit_speaker` to select the terms for the latter function.

Usage

```
stylest_terms(x, speaker, vocab_cutoff, filter = NULL)
```

Arguments

x	Corpus as text vector. May be a `corpus_frame` object
speaker	Vector of speaker labels. Should be the same length as x
vocab_cutoff	Quantile cutoff for the vocabulary in (0, 100]
filter	if not NULL, a corpus filter

Value

list of terms

Examples

```
data(novels_excerpts)
stylest_terms(novels_excerpts$text, novels_excerpts$author, vocab_cutoff = 50)
```

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stylest_term_influence

Compute the influence of terms

Description

Compute the influence of terms

Usage

```
stylest_term_influence(model, text, speaker)
```

Arguments

model	`stylest_model` object
text	Text vector. May be a `corpus_frame` object
speaker	Vector of speaker labels. Should be the same length as x

Value

`data.frame` with columns representing terms, their mean influence, and their maximum influence

Examples

```
data(novels_excerpts)
speaker_mod <- stylest_fit(novels_excerpts$text, novels_excerpts$author)
stylest_term_influence(speaker_mod, novels_excerpts$text, novels_excerpts$author)
```

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