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data_char_wordlists	<i>Word lists for readability statistics</i>
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### Description

data\_char\_wordlists provides word lists used in some readability indexes; it is a named list of character vectors where each list element corresponds to a different readability index.

### Usage

```
data_char_wordlists
```

### Format

A list of length two:

DaleChall The long Dale-Chall list of 3,000 familiar (English) words needed to compute the Dale-Chall Readability Formula.

Spache The revised Spache word list (see Klare 1975, 73; Spache 1974) needed to compute the Spache Revised Formula of readability (Spache 1953).

### References

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textstat\_collocations *Identify and score multi-word expressions*

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## Description

Identify and score multi-word expressions, or adjacent fixed-length collocations, from text.

## Usage

```
textstat_collocations(
    x,
    method = "lambda",
    size = 2,
    min_count = 2,
    smoothing = 0.5,
    tolower = TRUE,
    ...
)
```

## Arguments

x	a character, <a href="#">corpus</a> , or <a href="#">tokens</a> object whose collocations will be scored. The tokens object should include punctuation, and if any words have been removed, these should have been removed with <code>padding = TRUE</code> . While identifying collocations for tokens objects is supported, you will get better results with character or corpus objects due to relatively imperfect detection of sentence boundaries from texts already tokenized.
method	association measure for detecting collocations. Currently this is limited to "lambda". See Details.
size	integer; the length of the collocations to be scored
min_count	numeric; minimum frequency of collocations that will be scored
smoothing	numeric; a smoothing parameter added to the observed counts (default is 0.5)
tolower	logical; if TRUE, form collocations as lower-cased combinations
...	additional arguments passed to <a href="#">tokens()</a>

## Details

Documents are grouped for the purposes of scoring, but collocations will not span sentences. If x is a [tokens](#) object and some tokens have been removed, this should be done using `[tokens_remove](x, pattern, padding = TRUE)` so that counts will still be accurate, but the pads will prevent those collocations from being scored.

The lambda computed for a size =  $K$ -word target multi-word expression the coefficient for the  $K$ -way interaction parameter in the saturated log-linear model fitted to the counts of the terms forming the set of eligible multi-word expressions. This is the same as the "lambda" computed in Blaheta and Johnson's (2001), where all multi-word expressions are considered (rather than just verbs, as in

that paper). The  $z$  is the Wald  $z$ -statistic computed as the quotient of  $\lambda$  and the Wald statistic for  $\lambda$  as described below.

In detail:

Consider a  $K$ -word target expression  $x$ , and let  $z$  be any  $K$ -word expression. Define a comparison function  $c(x, z) = (j_1, \dots, j_K) = c$  such that the  $k$ th element of  $c$  is 1 if the  $k$ th word in  $z$  is equal to the  $k$ th word in  $x$ , and 0 otherwise. Let  $c_i = (j_{i1}, \dots, j_{iK}), i = 1, \dots, 2^K = M$ , be the possible values of  $c(x, z)$ , with  $c_M = (1, 1, \dots, 1)$ . Consider the set of  $c(x, z_r)$  across all expressions  $z_r$  in a corpus of text, and let  $n_i$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, M$ , denote the number of the  $c(x, z_r)$  which equal  $c_i$ , plus the smoothing constant smoothing. The  $n_i$  are the counts in a  $2^K$  contingency table whose dimensions are defined by the  $c_i$ .

$\lambda$ : The  $K$ -way interaction parameter in the saturated loglinear model fitted to the  $n_i$ . It can be calculated as

$$\lambda = \sum_{i=1}^M (-1)^{K-b_i} * \log n_i$$

where  $b_i$  is the number of the elements of  $c_i$  which are equal to 1.

Wald test  $z$ -statistic  $z$  is calculated as:

$$z = \frac{\lambda}{[\sum_{i=1}^M n_i^{-1}]^{(1/2)}}$$

## Value

textstat\_collocations returns a data.frame of collocations and their scores and statistics. This consists of the collocations, their counts, length, and  $\lambda$  and  $z$  statistics. When size is a vector, then count\_nested counts the lower-order collocations that occur within a higher-order collocation (but this does not affect the statistics).

## Author(s)

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## References

Blaheta, D. & Johnson, M. (2001). [Unsupervised learning of multi-word verbs](#). Presented at the ACLEACL Workshop on the Computational Extraction, Analysis and Exploitation of Collocations.

## Examples

```
library("quanteda")
corp <- data_corpus_inaugural[1:2]
head(cols <- textstat_collocations(corp, size = 2, min_count = 2), 10)
head(cols <- textstat_collocations(corp, size = 3, min_count = 2), 10)

# extracting multi-part proper nouns (capitalized terms)
toks1 <- tokens(data_corpus_inaugural)
toks2 <- tokens_remove(toks1, pattern = stopwords("english"), padding = TRUE)
```

```

toks3 <- tokens_select(toks2, pattern = "^[A-Z][a-z\\-]{2,})", valuetype = "regex",
                      case_insensitive = FALSE, padding = TRUE)
tstat <- textstat_collocations(toks3, size = 3, tolower = FALSE)
head(tstat, 10)

# vectorized size
txt <- c("... a b c . . a b c . . . c d e",
        "a b . . a b . . a b . . a b . a b",
        "b c d . . b c . b c . . . b c")
textstat_collocations(txt, size = 2:3)

# compounding tokens from collocations
toks <- tokens("This is the European Union.")
colls <- tokens("The new European Union is not the old European Union.") %>%
  textstat_collocations(size = 2, min_count = 1, tolower = FALSE)
colls
tokens_compound(toks, colls, case_insensitive = FALSE)

#' # from a collocations object
(coll <- textstat_collocations(tokens("a b c a b d e b d a b")))
phrase(coll)

```

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textstat\_entropy      *Compute entropies of documents or features*

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## Description

Compute entropies of documents or features

## Usage

```
textstat_entropy(x, margin = c("documents", "features"), base = 2)
```

## Arguments

x	a dfm
margin	character indicating for which margin to compute entropy
base	base for logarithm function

## Value

a data.frame of entropies for the given document or feature

## Examples

```

library("quanteda")
textstat_entropy(data_dfm_lbgexample)
textstat_entropy(data_dfm_lbgexample, "features")

```

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textstat\_frequency      *Tabulate feature frequencies*

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### Description

Produces counts and document frequencies summaries of the features in a [dfm](#), optionally grouped by a [docvars](#) variable or other supplied grouping variable.

### Usage

```
textstat_frequency(
  x,
  n = NULL,
  groups = NULL,
  ties_method = c("min", "average", "first", "random", "max", "dense"),
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

x	a <a href="#">dfm</a> object
n	(optional) integer specifying the top n features to be returned, within group if groups is specified
groups	grouping variable for sampling, equal in length to the number of documents. This will be evaluated in the docvars data.frame, so that docvars may be referred to by name without quoting. This also changes previous behaviours for groups. See <code>news(Version &gt;= "3.0", package = "quanteda")</code> for details.
ties_method	character string specifying how ties are treated. See <code>base::rank()</code> for details. Unlike that function, however, the default is "min", so that frequencies of 10, 10, 11 would be ranked 1, 1, 3.
...	additional arguments passed to <code>dfm_group()</code> . This can be useful in passing <code>force = TRUE</code> , for instance, if you are grouping a dfm that has been weighted.

### Value

a data.frame containing the following variables:

feature (character) the feature

frequency count of the feature

rank rank of the feature, where 1 indicates the greatest frequency

docfreq document frequency of the feature, as a count (the number of documents in which this feature occurred at least once)

docfreq document frequency of the feature, as a count

group (only if groups is specified) the label of the group. If the features have been grouped, then all counts, ranks, and document frequencies are within group. If groups is not specified, the group column is omitted from the returned data.frame.

textstat\_frequency returns a data.frame of features and their term and document frequencies within groups.

## Examples

```
library("quanteda")
set.seed(20)
dfmat1 <- dfm(tokens(c("a a b b c d", "a d d d", "a a a")))

textstat_frequency(dfmat1)
textstat_frequency(dfmat1, groups = c("one", "two", "one"), ties_method = "first")
textstat_frequency(dfmat1, groups = c("one", "two", "one"), ties_method = "average")

dfmat2 <- corpus_subset(data_corpus_inaugural, President == "Obama") %>%
  tokens(remove_punct = TRUE) %>%
  tokens_remove(stopwords("en")) %>%
  dfm()
tstat1 <- textstat_frequency(dfmat2)
head(tstat1, 10)

dfmat3 <- head(data_corpus_inaugural) %>%
  tokens(remove_punct = TRUE) %>%
  tokens_remove(stopwords("en")) %>%
  dfm()
textstat_frequency(dfmat3, n = 2, groups = President)

## Not run:
# plot 20 most frequent words
library("ggplot2")
ggplot(tstat1[1:20, ], aes(x = reorder(feature, frequency), y = frequency)) +
  geom_point() +
  coord_flip() +
  labs(x = NULL, y = "Frequency")

# plot relative frequencies by group
dfmat3 <- data_corpus_inaugural %>%
  corpus_subset(Year > 2000) %>%
  tokens(remove_punct = TRUE) %>%
  tokens_remove(stopwords("en")) %>%
  dfm() %>%
  dfm_group(groups = President) %>%
  dfm_weight(scheme = "prop")

# calculate relative frequency by president
tstat2 <- textstat_frequency(dfmat3, n = 10, groups = President)

# plot frequencies
ggplot(data = tstat2, aes(x = factor(nrow(tstat2):1), y = frequency)) +
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geom_point() +
facet_wrap(~ group, scales = "free") +
coord_flip() +
scale_x_discrete(breaks = nrow(tstat2):1,
                 labels = tstat2$feature) +
labs(x = NULL, y = "Relative frequency")

## End(Not run)

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textstat\_keyness      *Calculate keyness statistics*

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## Description

Calculate "keyness", a score for features that occur differentially across different categories. Here, the categories are defined by reference to a "target" document index in the [dfm](#), with the reference group consisting of all other documents.

## Usage

```

textstat_keyness(
  x,
  target = 1L,
  measure = c("chi2", "exact", "lr", "pmi"),
  sort = TRUE,
  correction = c("default", "yates", "williams", "none"),
  ...
)

```

## Arguments

x	a <a href="#">dfm</a> containing the features to be examined for keyness
target	the document index (numeric, character or logical) identifying the document forming the "target" for computing keyness; all other documents' feature frequencies will be combined for use as a reference
measure	(signed) association measure to be used for computing keyness. Currently available: "chi2"; "exact" (Fisher's exact test); "lr" for the likelihood ratio; "pmi" for pointwise mutual information. Note that the "exact" test is very computationally intensive and therefore much slower than the other methods.
sort	logical; if TRUE sort features scored in descending order of the measure, otherwise leave in original feature order
correction	if "default", Yates correction is applied to "chi2"; William's correction is applied to "lr"; and no correction is applied for the "exact" and "pmi" measures. Specifying a value other than the default can be used to override the defaults, for instance to apply the Williams correction to the chi2 measure. Specifying a correction for the "exact" and "pmi" measures has no effect and produces a warning.
...	not used

**Value**

a data.frame of computed statistics and associated p-values, where the features scored name each row, and the number of occurrences for both the target and reference groups. For measure = "chi2" this is the chi-squared value, signed positively if the observed value in the target exceeds its expected value; for measure = "exact" this is the estimate of the odds ratio; for measure = "lr" this is the likelihood ratio  $G^2$  statistic; for "pmi" this is the pointwise mutual information statistics.

textstat\_keyness returns a data.frame of features and their keyness scores and frequency counts.

**References**

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**Examples**

```
library("quanteda")

# compare pre- v. post-war terms using grouping
period <- ifelse(docvars(data_corpus_inaugural, "Year") < 1945, "pre-war", "post-war")
dfmat1 <- tokens(data_corpus_inaugural) %>%
  dfm() %>%
  dfm_group(groups = period)
head(dfmat1) # make sure 'post-war' is in the first row
head(tstat1 <- textstat_keyness(dfmat1), 10)
tail(tstat1, 10)

# compare pre- v. post-war terms using logical vector
dfmat2 <- dfm(tokens(data_corpus_inaugural))
head(textstat_keyness(dfmat2, docvars(data_corpus_inaugural, "Year") >= 1945), 10)

# compare Trump 2017 to other post-war preidents
dfmat3 <- dfm(tokens(corpus_subset(data_corpus_inaugural, period == "post-war")))
head(textstat_keyness(dfmat3, target = "2017-Trump"), 10)

# using the likelihood ratio method
head(textstat_keyness(dfm_smooth(dfmat3), measure = "lr", target = "2017-Trump"), 10)
```

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textstat\_lexdiv

*Calculate lexical diversity*


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**Description**

Calculate the lexical diversity of text(s).

**Usage**

```
textstat_lexdiv(
  x,
  measure = c("TTR", "C", "R", "CTTR", "U", "S", "K", "I", "D", "Vm", "Maas", "MATTR",
             "MSTTR", "all"),
  remove_numbers = TRUE,
  remove_punct = TRUE,
  remove_symbols = TRUE,
  remove_hyphens = FALSE,
  log.base = 10,
  MATTR_window = 100L,
  MSTTR_segment = 100L,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

x	an <a href="#">dfm</a> or <a href="#">tokens</a> input object for whose documents lexical diversity will be computed
measure	a character vector defining the measure to compute
remove_numbers	logical; if TRUE remove features or tokens that consist only of numerals (the Unicode "Number" [N] class)
remove_punct	logical; if TRUE remove all features or tokens that consist only of the Unicode "Punctuation" [P] class)
remove_symbols	logical; if TRUE remove all features or tokens that consist only of the Unicode "Punctuation" [S] class)
remove_hyphens	logical; if TRUE split words that are connected by hyphenation and hyphenation-like characters in between words, e.g. "self-storage" becomes two features or tokens "self" and "storage". Default is FALSE to preserve such words as is, with the hyphens.
log.base	a numeric value defining the base of the logarithm (for measures using logarithms)
MATTR_window	a numeric value defining the size of the moving window for computation of the Moving-Average Type-Token Ratio (Covington & McFall, 2010)
MSTTR_segment	a numeric value defining the size of the each segment for the computation of the the Mean Segmental Type-Token Ratio (Johnson, 1944)
...	not used directly

**Details**

`textstat_lexdiv` calculates the lexical diversity of documents using a variety of indices.

In the following formulas,  $N$  refers to the total number of tokens,  $V$  to the number of types, and  $f_v(i, N)$  to the numbers of types occurring  $i$  times in a sample of length  $N$ .

"TTR": The ordinary *Type-Token Ratio*:

$$TTR = \frac{V}{N}$$

"C": Herdan's *C* (Herdan, 1960, as cited in Tweedie & Baayen, 1998; sometimes referred to as *LogTTR*):

$$C = \frac{\log V}{\log N}$$

"R": Guiraud's *Root TTR* (Guiraud, 1954, as cited in Tweedie & Baayen, 1998):

$$R = \frac{V}{\sqrt{N}}$$

"CTTR": Carroll's *Corrected TTR*:

$$CTTR = \frac{V}{\sqrt{2N}}$$

"U": Dugast's *Uber Index* (Dugast, 1978, as cited in Tweedie & Baayen, 1998):

$$U = \frac{(\log N)^2}{\log N - \log V}$$

"S": Summer's index:

$$S = \frac{\log \log V}{\log \log N}$$

"K": Yule's *K* (Yule, 1944, as presented in Tweedie & Baayen, 1998, Eq. 16) is calculated by:

$$K = 10^4 \times \left[ -\frac{1}{N} + \sum_{i=1}^V f_v(i, N) \left( \frac{i}{N} \right)^2 \right]$$

"I": Yule's *I* (Yule, 1944) is calculated by:

$$I = \frac{V^2}{M_2 - V}$$

$$M_2 = \sum_{i=1}^V i^2 * f_v(i, N)$$

"D": Simpson's *D* (Simpson 1949, as presented in Tweedie & Baayen, 1998, Eq. 17) is calculated by:

$$D = \sum_{i=1}^V f_v(i, N) \frac{i}{N} \frac{i-1}{N-1}$$

"Vm": Herdan's *V<sub>m</sub>* (Herdan 1955, as presented in Tweedie & Baayen, 1998, Eq. 18) is calculated by:

$$V_m = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^V f_v(i, N) (i/N)^2 - \frac{i}{V}}$$

"Maas": Maas' indices (*a*,  $\log V_0$  &  $\log_e V_0$ ):

$$a^2 = \frac{\log N - \log V}{\log N^2}$$

$$\log V_0 = \frac{\log V}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{\log V^2}{\log N}}}$$

The measure was derived from a formula by Mueller (1969, as cited in Maas, 1972).  $\log_e V_0$  is equivalent to  $\log V_0$ , only with  $e$  as the base for the logarithms. Also calculated are  $a$ ,  $\log V_0$  (both not the same as before) and  $V'$  as measures of relative vocabulary growth while the text progresses. To calculate these measures, the first half of the text and the full text will be examined (see Maas, 1972, p. 67 ff. for details). Note: for the current method (for a dfm) there is no computation on separate halves of the text.

"MATTR": The Moving-Average Type-Token Ratio (Covington & McFall, 2010) calculates TTRs for a moving window of tokens from the first to the last token, computing a TTR for each window. The MATTR is the mean of the TTRs of each window.

"MSTTR": Mean Segmental Type-Token Ratio (sometimes referred to as *Split TTR*) splits the tokens into segments of the given size, TTR for each segment is calculated and the mean of these values returned. When this value is  $< 1.0$ , it splits the tokens into equal, non-overlapping sections of that size. When this value is  $> 1$ , it defines the segments as windows of that size. Tokens at the end which do not make a full segment are ignored.

### Value

A data.frame of documents and their lexical diversity scores.

### Author(s)

Kenneth Benoit and Jiong Wei Lua. Many of the formulas have been reimplemented from functions written by Meik Michalke in the **koRpus** package.

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**Examples**

```
library("quanteda")

txt <- c("Anyway, like I was sayin', shrimp is the fruit of the sea. You can
barbecue it, boil it, broil it, bake it, saute it.",
"There's shrimp-kabobs,
shrimp creole, shrimp gumbo. Pan fried, deep fried, stir-fried. There's
pineapple shrimp, lemon shrimp, coconut shrimp, pepper shrimp, shrimp soup,
shrimp stew, shrimp salad, shrimp and potatoes, shrimp burger, shrimp
sandwich.")
tokens(txt) %>%
  textstat_lexdiv(measure = c("TTR", "CTTR", "K"))
dfm(tokens(txt)) %>%
  textstat_lexdiv(measure = c("TTR", "CTTR", "K"))

toks <- tokens(corpus_subset(data_corpus_inaugural, Year > 2000))
textstat_lexdiv(toks, c("CTTR", "TTR", "MATTR"), MATTR_window = 100)
```

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textstat\_readability *Calculate readability*

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**Description**

Calculate the readability of text(s) using one of a variety of computed indexes.

**Usage**

```
textstat_readability(
  x,
  measure = "Flesch",
  remove_hyphens = TRUE,
  min_sentence_length = 1,
  max_sentence_length = 10000,
  intermediate = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

x	a character or <a href="#">corpus</a> object containing the texts
measure	character vector defining the readability measure to calculate. Matches are case-insensitive. See other valid measures under <a href="#">Details</a> .
remove_hyphens	if TRUE, treat constituent words in hyphenated as separate terms, for purposes of computing word lengths, e.g. "decision-making" as two terms of lengths 8 and 6 characters respectively, rather than as a single word of 15 characters

min\_sentence\_length, max\_sentence\_length  
 set the minimum and maximum sentence lengths (in tokens, excluding punctuation) to include in the computation of readability. This makes it easy to exclude "sentences" that may not really be sentences, such as section titles, table elements, and other cruft that might be in the texts following conversion. For finer-grained control, consider filtering sentences prior first, including through pattern-matching, using `corpus_trim()`.

intermediate if TRUE, include intermediate quantities in the output

... not used

## Details

The following readability formulas have been implemented, where

- $N_w = n_w$  = number of words
- $N_c = n_c$  = number of characters
- $N_{st} = n_{st}$  = number of sentences
- $N_{sy} = n_{sy}$  = number of syllables
- $N_{wf} = n_{wf}$  = number of words matching the Dale-Chall List of 3000 "familiar words"
- $ASL$  = Average Sentence Length: number of words / number of sentences
- $AWL$  = Average Word Length: number of characters / number of words
- $AFW$  = Average Familiar Words: count of words matching the Dale-Chall list of 3000 "familiar words" / number of all words
- $N_{wd} = n_{wd}$  = number of "difficult" words not matching the Dale-Chall list of "familiar" words

"ARI": Automated Readability Index (Senter and Smith 1967)

$$0.5ASL + 4.71AWL - 21.34$$

"ARI.Simple": A simplified version of Senter and Smith's (1967) Automated Readability Index.

$$ASL + 9AWL$$

"Bormuth.MC": Bormuth's (1969) Mean Cloze Formula.

$$0.886593 - 0.03640 \times AWL + 0.161911 \times AFW - 0.21401 \times ASL - 0.000577 \times ASL^2 - 0.000005 \times ASL^3$$

"Bormuth.GP": Bormuth's (1969) Grade Placement score.

$$4.275 + 12.881M - 34.934M^2 + 20.388M^3 + 26.194CCS - 2.046CCS^2 - 11.767CCS^3 - 42.285(M \times CCS) + 97.620$$

where  $M$  is the Bormuth Mean Cloze Formula as in "Bormuth" above, and  $CCS$  is the Cloze Criterion Score (Bormuth, 1968).

"Coleman": Coleman's (1971) Readability Formula 1.

$$1.29 \times \frac{100 \times n_{wsy=1}}{n_w} - 38.45$$

where  $n_{wsy=1} = N_{wsy1}$  = the number of one-syllable words. The scaling by 100 in this and the other Coleman-derived measures arises because the Coleman measures are calculated on a per 100 words basis.

"Coleman.C2": Coleman's (1971) Readability Formula 2.

$$1.16 \times \frac{100 \times n_{wsy=1}}{Nw + 1.48 \times \frac{100 \times n_{st}}{n_w} - 37.95}$$

"Coleman.Liau.ECP": Coleman-Liau Estimated Cloze Percent (ECP) (Coleman and Liau 1975).

$$141.8401 - 0.214590 \times 100 \times AWL + 1.079812 \times \frac{n_{st} \times 100}{n_w}$$

"Coleman.Liau.grade": Coleman-Liau Grade Level (Coleman and Liau 1975).

$$-27.4004 \times \text{Coleman.Liau.ECP} \times 100 + 23.06395$$

"Coleman.Liau.short": Coleman-Liau Index (Coleman and Liau 1975).

$$5.88 \times AWL + 29.6 \times \frac{n_{st}}{n_w} - 15.8$$

"Dale.Chall": The New Dale-Chall Readability formula (Chall and Dale 1995).

$$64 - (0.95 \times 100 \times \frac{n_{wd}}{n_w}) - (0.69 \times ASL)$$

"Dale.Chall.Old": The original Dale-Chall Readability formula (Dale and Chall (1948).

$$0.1579 \times 100 \times \frac{n_{wd}}{n_w} + 0.0496 \times ASL [+3.6365]$$

The additional constant 3.6365 is only added if  $(Nwd / Nw) > 0.05$ .

"Dale.Chall.PSK": The Powers-Sumner-Kearl Variation of the Dale and Chall Readability formula (Powers, Sumner and Kearl, 1958).

$$0.1155 \times 100 \frac{n_{wd}}{n_w} + (0.0596 \times ASL) + 3.2672$$

"Danielson.Bryan": Danielson-Bryan's (1963) Readability Measure 1.

$$(1.0364 \times \frac{n_c}{n_{blank}}) + (0.0194 \times \frac{n_c}{n_{st}}) - 0.6059$$

where  $n_{blank} = Nblank =$  the number of blanks.

"Danielson.Bryan2": Danielson-Bryan's (1963) Readability Measure 2.

$$131.059 - (10.364 \times \frac{n_c}{n_{blank}}) + (0.0194 \times \frac{n_c}{n_{st}})$$

where  $n_{blank} = Nblank =$  the number of blanks.

"Dickes.Steiwer": Dickes-Steiber Index (Dicks and Steiber 1977).

$$235.95993 - (7.3021 \times AWL) - (12.56438 \times ASL) - (50.03293 \times TTR)$$

where TTR is the Type-Token Ratio (see [textstat\\_lexdiv\(\)](#))

"DRP": Degrees of Reading Power.

$$(1 - \text{Bormuth.MC}) * 100$$

where Bormuth.MC refers to Bormuth's (1969) Mean Cloze Formula (documented above)

"ELF": Easy Listening Formula (Fang 1966):

$$\frac{n_{wsy>=2}}{n_{st}}$$

where  $n_{wsy>=2} = \text{Nwmin2sy}$  = the number of words with 2 syllables or more.

"Farr.Jenkins.Paterson": Farr-Jenkins-Paterson's Simplification of Flesch's Reading Ease Score (Farr, Jenkins and Paterson 1951).

$$-31.517 - (1.015 \times \text{ASL}) + (1.599 \times \frac{n_{wsy=1}}{n_w})$$

where  $n_{wsy=1} = \text{Nwsy1}$  = the number of one-syllable words.

"Flesch": Flesch's Reading Ease Score (Flesch 1948).

$$206.835 - (1.015 \times \text{ASL}) - (84.6 \times \frac{n_{sy}}{n_w})$$

"Flesch.PSK": The Powers-Sumner-Kearl's Variation of Flesch Reading Ease Score (Powers, Sumner and Kearl, 1958).

$$(0.0778 \times \text{ASL}) + (4.55 \times \frac{n_{sy}}{n_w}) - 2.2029$$

"Flesch.Kincaid": Flesch-Kincaid Readability Score (Flesch and Kincaid 1975).

$$0.39 \times \text{ASL} + 11.8 \times \frac{n_{sy}}{n_w} - 15.59$$

"FOG": Gunning's Fog Index (Gunning 1952).

$$0.4 \times (\text{ASL} + 100 \times \frac{n_{wsy>=3}}{n_w})$$

where  $n_{wsy>=3} = \text{Nwmin3sy}$  = the number of words with 3-syllables or more. The scaling by 100 arises because the original FOG index is based on just a sample of 100 words)

"FOG.PSK": The Powers-Sumner-Kearl Variation of Gunning's Fog Index (Powers, Sumner and Kearl, 1958).

$$3.0680 \times (0.0877 \times \text{ASL}) + (0.0984 \times 100 \times \frac{n_{wsy>=3}}{n_w})$$

where  $n_{wsy>=3} = \text{Nwmin3sy}$  = the number of words with 3-syllables or more. The scaling by 100 arises because the original FOG index is based on just a sample of 100 words)

"FOG.NRI": The Navy's Adaptation of Gunning's Fog Index (Kincaid, Fishburne, Rogers and Chissom 1975).

$$\left( \frac{(n_{wsy<3} + 3 \times n_{wsy=3})}{(100 \times \frac{N_{st}}{N_w})} - 3 \right) / 2$$

where  $n_{wsy<3} = \text{Nwless3sy}$  = the number of words with *less than* 3 syllables, and  $n_{wsy=3} = \text{Nw3sy}$  = the number of 3-syllable words. The scaling by 100 arises because the original FOG index is based on just a sample of 100 words)

"FORCAST": FORCAST (Simplified Version of FORCAST.RGL) (Caylor and Sticht 1973).

$$20 - \frac{n_{wsy=1} \times 150}{(n_w \times 10)}$$

where  $n_{wsy=1} = Nwsy1$  = the number of one-syllable words. The scaling by 150 arises because the original FORCAST index is based on just a sample of 150 words.

"FORCAST.RGL": FORCAST.RGL (Caylor and Sticht 1973).

$$20.43 - 0.11 \times \frac{n_{wsy=1} \times 150}{(n_w \times 10)}$$

where  $n_{wsy=1} = Nwsy1$  = the number of one-syllable words. The scaling by 150 arises because the original FORCAST index is based on just a sample of 150 words.

"Fucks": Fucks' (1955) Stilcharakteristik (Style Characteristic).

$$AWL * ASL$$

"Linsear.Write": Linsear Write (Klare 1975).

$$\frac{[(100 - (\frac{100 \times n_{wsy < 3}}{n_w})) + (3 \times \frac{100 \times n_{wsy \geq 3}}{n_w})]}{(100 \times \frac{n_{st}}{n_w})}$$

where  $n_{wsy < 3} = Nwless3sy$  = the number of words with *less than* 3 syllables, and  $n_{wsy \geq 3} = Nwmin3sy$  = the number of words with 3-syllables or more. The scaling by 100 arises because the original Linsear.Write measure is based on just a sample of 100 words)

"LIW": Björnsson's (1968) Läsbarhetsindex (For Swedish Texts).

$$ASL + \frac{100 \times n_{wsy \geq 7}}{n_w}$$

where  $n_{wsy \geq 7} = Nwmin7sy$  = the number of words with 7-syllables or more. The scaling by 100 arises because the Läsbarhetsindex index is based on just a sample of 100 words)

"nWS": Neue Wiener Sachtextformeln 1 (Bamberger and Vanecek 1984).

$$19.35 \times \frac{n_{wsy \geq 3}}{n_w} + 0.1672 \times ASL + 12.97 \times \frac{b_{wchar \geq 6}}{n_w} - 3.27 \times \frac{n_{wsy=1}}{n_w} - 0.875$$

where  $n_{wsy \geq 3} = Nwmin3sy$  = the number of words with 3 syllables or more,  $n_{wchar \geq 6} = Nwmin6char$  = the number of words with 6 characters or more, and  $n_{wsy=1} = Nwsy1$  = the number of one-syllable words.

"nWS.2": Neue Wiener Sachtextformeln 2 (Bamberger and Vanecek 1984).

$$20.07 \times \frac{n_{wsy \geq 3}}{n_w} + 0.1682 \times ASL + 13.73 \times \frac{n_{wchar \geq 6}}{n_w} - 2.779$$

where  $n_{wsy \geq 3} = Nwmin3sy$  = the number of words with 3 syllables or more, and  $n_{wchar \geq 6} = Nwmin6char$  = the number of words with 6 characters or more.

"nWS.3": Neue Wiener Sachtextformeln 3 (Bamberger and Vanecek 1984).

$$29.63 \times \frac{n_{wsy \geq 3}}{n_w} + 0.1905 \times ASL - 1.1144$$

where  $n_{wsy \geq 3} = Nwmin3sy$  = the number of words with 3 syllables or more.

"nWS.4": Neue Wiener Sachtextformeln 4 (Bamberger and Vanecek 1984).

$$27.44 \times \frac{n_{wsy \geq 3}}{n_w} + 0.2656 \times ASL - 1.693$$

where  $n_{wsy \geq 3} = Nwmin3sy$  = the number of words with 3 syllables or more.

"RIX": Anderson's (1983) Readability Index.

$$\frac{n_{wsy \geq 7}}{n_{st}}$$

where  $n_{wsy \geq 7} = Nwmin7sy$  = the number of words with 7-syllables or more.

"Scrabble": Scrabble Measure.

*MeanScrabbleLetterValuesofAllWords*

. Scrabble values are for English. There is no reference for this, as we created it experimentally. It's not part of any accepted readability index!

"SMOG": Simple Measure of Gobbledygook (SMOG) (McLaughlin 1969).

$$1.043 \times \sqrt{n_{wsy \geq 3}} \times \frac{30}{n_{st}} + 3.1291$$

where  $n_{wsy \geq 3} = Nwmin3sy$  = the number of words with 3 syllables or more. This measure is regression equation D in McLaughlin's original paper.

"SMOG.C": SMOG (Regression Equation C) (McLaughlin's 1969)

$$0.9986 \times \sqrt{Nwmin3sy \times \frac{30}{n_{st}}} + 5 + 2.8795$$

where  $n_{wsy \geq 3} = Nwmin3sy$  = the number of words with 3 syllables or more. This measure is regression equation C in McLaughlin's original paper.

"SMOG.simple": Simplified Version of McLaughlin's (1969) SMOG Measure.

$$\sqrt{Nwmin3sy \times \frac{30}{n_{st}}} + 3$$

"SMOG.de": Adaptation of McLaughlin's (1969) SMOG Measure for German Texts.

$$\sqrt{Nwmin3sy \times \frac{30}{n_{st}}} - 2$$

"Spache": Spache's (1952) Readability Measure.

$$0.121 \times ASL + 0.082 \times \frac{n_{wnotinspache}}{n_w} + 0.659$$

where  $n_{wnotinspache} = Nwnotinspache$  = number of unique words not in the Spache word list.

"Spache.old": Spache's (1952) Readability Measure (Old).

$$0.141 \times ASL + 0.086 \times \frac{n_{wnotinspace}}{n_w} + 0.839$$

where  $n_{wnotinspace}$  = Nwnotinspace = number of unique words not in the Spache word list.

"Strain": Strain Index (Solomon 2006).

$$n_{sy} / \frac{n_{st}}{3} / 10$$

The scaling by 3 arises because the original Strain index is based on just the first 3 sentences.

"TraenkLe.Bailer": Tränkle & Bailer's (1984) Readability Measure 1.

$$224.6814 - (79.8304 \times AWL) - (12.24032 \times ASL) - (1.292857 \times 100 \times \frac{n_{prep}}{n_w})$$

where  $n_{prep}$  = Nprep = the number of prepositions. The scaling by 100 arises because the original Tränkle & Bailer index is based on just a sample of 100 words.

"TraenkLe.Bailer2": Tränkle & Bailer's (1984) Readability Measure 2.

$$TrnkLe.Bailer2 = 234.1063 - (96.11069 \times AWL) - (2.05444 \times 100 \times \frac{n_{prep}}{n_w}) - (1.02805 \times 100 \times \frac{n_{conj}}{n_w})$$

where  $n_{prep}$  = Nprep = the number of prepositions,  $n_{conj}$  = Nconj = the number of conjunctions, The scaling by 100 arises because the original Tränkle & Bailer index is based on just a sample of 100 words)

"Wheeler.Smith": Wheeler & Smith's (1954) Readability Measure.

$$ASL \times 10 \times \frac{n_{wsy \geq 2}}{n_{words}}$$

where  $n_{wsy \geq 2}$  = Nwmin2sy = the number of words with 2 syllables or more.

"meanSentenceLength": Average Sentence Length (ASL).

$$\frac{n_w}{n_{st}}$$

"meanWordSyllables": Average Word Syllables (AWL).

$$\frac{n_{sy}}{n_w}$$

## Value

textstat\_readability returns a data.frame of documents and their readability scores.

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## Examples

```
txt <- c(doc1 = "Readability zero one. Ten, Eleven.",
        doc2 = "The cat in a dilapidated tophat.")
textstat_readability(txt, measure = "Flesch")
textstat_readability(txt, measure = c("FOG", "FOG.PSK", "FOG.NRI"))

textstat_readability(quanteda::data_corpus_inaugural[48:58],
                    measure = c("Flesch.Kincaid", "Dale.Chall.old"))
```

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textstat\_simil

*Similarity and distance computation between documents or features*

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## Description

These functions compute matrixes of distances and similarities between documents or features from a `dfm()` and return a matrix of similarities or distances in a sparse format. These methods are fast and robust because they operate directly on the sparse `dfm` objects. The output can easily be coerced to an ordinary matrix, a data.frame of pairwise comparisons, or a `dist` format.

## Usage

```
textstat_simil(
  x,
  y = NULL,
  selection = NULL,
  margin = c("documents", "features"),
  method = c("correlation", "cosine", "jaccard", "ejaccard", "dice", "edice", "hamann",
```

```

    "simple matching"),
  min_simil = NULL,
  ...
)

textstat_dist(
  x,
  y = NULL,
  selection = NULL,
  margin = c("documents", "features"),
  method = c("euclidean", "manhattan", "maximum", "canberra", "minkowski"),
  p = 2,
  ...
)

```

### Arguments

<code>x, y</code>	a <a href="#">dfm</a> objects; <code>y</code> is an optional target matrix matching <code>x</code> in the margin on which the similarity or distance will be computed.
<code>selection</code>	(deprecated - use <code>y</code> instead).
<code>margin</code>	identifies the margin of the dfm on which similarity or difference will be computed: "documents" for documents or "features" for word/term features.
<code>method</code>	character; the method identifying the similarity or distance measure to be used; see <a href="#">Details</a> .
<code>min_simil</code>	numeric; a threshold for the similarity values below which similarity values will not be returned
<code>...</code>	unused
<code>p</code>	The power of the Minkowski distance.

### Details

`textstat_simil` options are: "correlation" (default), "cosine", "jaccard", "ejaccard", "dice", "edice", "simple matching", and "hamann".

`textstat_dist` options are: "euclidean" (default), "manhattan", "maximum", "canberra", and "minkowski".

### Value

A sparse matrix from the **Matrix** package that will be symmetric unless `y` is specified.

### Conversion to other data types

The output objects from `textstat_simil()` and `textstat_dist()` can be transformed easily into a list format using `as.list()`, which returns a list for each unique element of the second of the pairs, a data.frame using `as.data.frame()`, which returns pairwise scores, `as.dist()` for a [dist](#) object, or `as.matrix()` to convert it into an ordinary matrix.

**Note**

If you want to compute similarity on a "normalized" dfm object (controlling for variable document lengths, for methods such as correlation for which different document lengths matter), then wrap the input dfm in `[dfm_weight](x, "prop")`.

**See Also**

`as.list.textstat_proxy()`, `as.data.frame.textstat_proxy()`, `stats::as.dist()`

**Examples**

```
# similarities for documents
library("quantda")
dfmat <- corpus_subset(data_corpus_inaugural, Year > 2000) %>%
  tokens(remove_punct = TRUE) %>%
  tokens_remove(stopwords("english")) %>%
  dfm()
(tstat1 <- textstat_simil(dfmat, method = "cosine", margin = "documents"))
as.matrix(tstat1)
as.list(tstat1)
as.list(tstat1, diag = TRUE)

# min_simil
(tstat2 <- textstat_simil(dfmat, method = "cosine", margin = "documents", min_simil = 0.6))
as.matrix(tstat2)

# similarities for for specific documents
textstat_simil(dfmat, dfmat["2017-Trump", ], margin = "documents")
textstat_simil(dfmat, dfmat["2017-Trump", ], method = "cosine", margin = "documents")
textstat_simil(dfmat, dfmat[c("2009-Obama", "2013-Obama"), ], margin = "documents")

# compute some term similarities
tstat3 <- textstat_simil(dfmat, dfmat[, c("fair", "health", "terror")], method = "cosine",
  margin = "features")
head(as.matrix(tstat3), 10)
as.list(tstat3, n = 6)

# distances for documents
(tstat4 <- textstat_dist(dfmat, margin = "documents"))
as.matrix(tstat4)
as.list(tstat4)
as.dist(tstat4)

# distances for specific documents
textstat_dist(dfmat, dfmat["2017-Trump", ], margin = "documents")
(tstat5 <- textstat_dist(dfmat, dfmat[c("2009-Obama", "2013-Obama"), ], margin = "documents"))
as.matrix(tstat5)
as.list(tstat5)

## Not run:
# plot a dendrogram after converting the object into distances
```

```
plot(hclust(as.dist(tstat4)))

## End(Not run)
```

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textstat\_summary      *Summarize documents as syntactic and lexical feature counts*

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### Description

Count syntactic and lexical features of documents such as tokens, types, sentences, and character categories.

### Usage

```
textstat_summary(x, ...)
```

### Arguments

x	corpus to be summarized
...	additional arguments passed through to <code>dfm()</code>

### Details

Count the total number of characters, tokens and sentences as well as special tokens such as numbers, punctuation marks, symbols, tags and emojis.

- chars = number of characters; equal to `nchar()`
- sents = number of sentences; equal to `ntoken(tokens(x), what = "sentence")`
- tokens = number of tokens; equal to `ntoken()`
- types = number of unique tokens; equal to `ntype()`
- puncts = number of punctuation marks (`^\p{P}+$`)
- numbers = number of numeric tokens (`^\p{Sc}{0,1}\p{N}+([\p{N}]*\p{Sc}{0,1})$`)
- symbols = number of symbols (`^\p{S}$`)
- tags = number of tags; sum of `pattern_username` and `pattern_hashtag` in `quanteda::quanteda_options()`
- emojis = number of emojis (`^\p{Emoji_Presentation}+$`)

### Examples

```
if (Sys.info()["sysname"] != "SunOS") {
  library("quanteda")
  corp <- data_corpus_inaugural[1:5]
  textstat_summary(corp)
  toks <- tokens(corp)
  textstat_summary(toks)
  dfmat <- dfm(toks)
  textstat_summary(dfmat)
}
```

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