Introduction to the RKEA Package

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Abstract

A short introduction to the RKEA package.

Introduction

The RKEA package provides a R interface to Kea (http://www.nzdl.org/Kea/), a tool for keyword extraction in texts. See https://code.google.com/p/kea-algorithm/ and http://www.nzdl.org/Kea/Download/Kea-5.0-Readme.txt for further information on Kea.

Note that Maui (http://maui-indexer.googlecode.com/), an algorithm for topic indexing, can be used for the same tasks as Kea, but offers additional features, including indexing using Wikipedia as a controlled vocabulary. See https://www.airpair.com/nlp/keyword-extraction-tutorial for a tutorial on NLP keyword extraction with Maui and RAKE (Rapid Automatic Keyword Extraction): note however that currently there is no R interface to Maui, nor an R implementation of RAKE.

Loading the Package

Before actually working we need to load the package:

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> library("RKEA")
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Creating a Keyword Extraction Model

Kea needs a keyword extraction model for keyword extraction. You can build your own models by manually indexing the keywords in a small set of texts, and then call createModel().

Please note that we just wrap the functionality of the original Kea program which always uses files for in- and output (and that is the reason you also need to use a directory in R as shown in the above example). We deliberately decided not to modify the Kea Java archive shipped with this R package for compatibility reasons. However this may induce some warnings in R (e.g., because some internal Kea paths might not be available) but nevertheless you should get the full functionality out of it.

Keyword Extraction

Once you have a Kea model you can extract keywords from texts.

> extractKeywords(crude, model)

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[[1]]
[1] "Diamond"
                         "cut"
                                             "cut its contract"
[4] "reduction"
                                             "crude oil"
                         "contract"
[7] "dlrs a barrel"
                         "prices"
                                             "today"
[10] "crude"
[[2]]
[1] "OPEC"
                                "production" "analysts"
                  "problems"
                                                            "Energy"
[6] "meet"
                  "OPEC's"
                                "oil prices" "meeting"
                                                            "June"
[[3]]
[1] "Texaco Canada"
                                      "Texaco"
[3] "Canada"
                                      "it lowered the contract price"
[5] "crude oil"
                                      "crude"
[7] "price"
                                      "it"
[9] "oil"
                                      "Edmonton/Swann"
[1] "it reduced the contract price" "reduced"
[3] "grades of crude"
                                      "grades"
[5] "crude"
                                      "price"
[7] "it"
                                      "West Texas Intermediate"
[9] "posted"
                                      "posted price"
[[5]]
[1] "future net"
                            "future"
                                                   "reserves"
[4] "estimates"
                            "Trust said"
                                                   "Trust"
[7] "study"
                            "future net revenues" "net"
[10] "revenues"
[[6]]
[1] "Kuwait"
                     "OPEC"
                                      "bpd"
                                                       "Minister"
[5] "Sheikh"
                     "Sheikh Ali"
                                      "Ali"
                                                       "members"
[9] "international" "quota"
[[7]]
[1] "says"
                   "Indonesia"
                                  "economy"
                                                 "government" "report says"
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"measures" "sector" "investment"
[6] "report" "appears"
[[8]]
[1] "higher levels" "riyal" [5] "OPEC" "market"
                                   "deposits"
                                                    "higher"
                                   "yesterday's" "said"
[9] "yesterday" "quotes"
[[9]]
                   "budget"
"government"
[1] "billion"
                                            "billion riyals"
[4] "riyals"
"government"
[7] "Abdul-Aziz" "expenditure"
[10] "Sheikh"
                                            "Sheikh Abdul-Aziz"
                                            "decline"
[10] "Sheikh"
[[10]]
[1] "Saudi" "accord" "Nazer"
                                              "commitment" "OPEC"
[6] "OPEC accord" "SPA"
                               "free"
                                              "free market" "market"
[[11]]
[1] "Saudi"
[4] "bpd"
                       "exports"
                                              "January"
                         "exports"
"output"
                                              "fell"
[7] "average"
                         "Ju'aymah terminals" "Ju'aymah"
[10] "February"
[[12]]
[1] "official" "oil ministers" "ministers" "Gulf"
[5] "Arab" "states" "Emirates" "crude oil"
[9] "crude" "oil"
[[13]]
[1] "Saudi"
[4] "NPEC"
                          "commitment"
                                                  "OPEC accord"
[4] "OPEC"
                          "Nazer"
                                                  "commitment to last"
[7] "OPEC accord to boost" "accord"
                                                   "oil prices"
[10] "kingdom's"
[[14]]
[1] "oil minister said"
                            "OPEC"
                            "meeting"
[3] "oil minister"
[5] "oll ministration of the prices" "prices" "pumping above its OPEC"
[9] "daily"
                            "pumping"
[[15]]
[1] "power" "port" [4] "lines" "oil"
                                                "closed"
                                                "ship"
[7] "nuclear power plant" "nuclear"
                                               "nuclear power"
[10] "plant"
[[16]]
[1] "group"
                                 "strategic"
[3] "mln barrels"
                                 "oil prices on the domestic"
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[5] "reserve"
                                   "present"
 [7] "U.S"
                                   "mln"
 [9] "barrels"
                                   "prices"
[[17]]
[1] "group"
                                   "strategic"
[3] "mln barrels"
                                   "oil prices on the domestic"
[5] "reserve"
                                   "U.S"
 [7] "study"
                                   "present"
[9] "policy"
                                   "industry"
[[18]]
[1] "Union"
                          "Union Oil Co"
                                               "Union Oil"
[4] "Union Oil Co said" "posted"
                                               "posted prices"
[7] "lowered"
                         "Corp's"
                                               "crude oil"
[10] "dlrs"
[[19]]
[1] "NYMEX"
                                "Exchange"
[3] "futures"
                                "transaction"
[5] "change"
                                "hold a futures"
 [7] "hold a futures position" "futures position"
[9] "position"
                                "traders"
[[20]]
 [1] "January"
 [2] "mln barrels"
[3] "pct"
 [4] "mln"
 [5] "Yacimientos Petroliferos"
 [6] "Yacimientos Petroliferos Fiscales"
 [7] "Yacimientos"
 [8] "Petroliferos"
 [9] "Petroliferos Fiscales"
[10] "Fiscales"
> unlink(tmpdir, recursive = TRUE)
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Working with Controlled Vocabularies

The data used for the keyword extraction tutorial with Maui and RAKE can be downloaded from https://maui-indexer.googlecode.com/files/fao780.tar.gz; the AGROVOC Agricultural Thesaurus can be obtained from http://www.nzdl.org/Kea/Download/vocabularies/agrovoc.skos.zip (SKOS format) or http://www.nzdl.org/Kea/Download/vocabularies/agrovoc.text.zip (text format).

With the data unpacked to subdirectory fao780 and agrovoc.skos.zip unzipped in the working directory, one can use

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> txts <- Sys.glob(file.path("fao780", "*.txt"))
> keys <- sub("txt$", "key", txts)</pre>
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> txts <- lapply(txts, readLines)
> keys <- lapply(keys, readLines)
> build <- seq_len(100)
> xtrct <- seq(101, 105)
> model <- "fao780_model"
> createModel(txts[build], keys[build], model, "agrovoc", "skos")
> extractKeywords(txts[xtrct], model, "agrovoc", "skos")
```

to build a keyword model using the first 100 texts, and use the model to extract the keywords from the next 5 texts.