Homework 9: NLTK

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In this exercise you will:

- use NLTK to analyze text and perform its morphological analysis
- implement a language guesser

Exercise 1: Lexical information and Morphological Analysis [10 points]

Take a look at hw09_nltk/analyze.py. In this exercise you will have to implement some methods in class Analyzer, that can analyze any text. On the course homepage, you can find the file ada_lovelace.txt. Download it into the data/ folder of your project and use the class Analyzer to analyze it and perform its morphological analysis.

This homework will be graded using unit tests by running: python3 -m unittest -v hw09_nltk/test_analyzer.py

Implement the following methods:

Exercise 1.1: Lexical information

- __init__(self, path) should read the file text, create the list of of words (use nltk.word_tokenize to tokenize the text), and calculate frequency distribution of words (use nltk.FreqDist)
- numberOfTokens(self) should return the number of tokens in the text
- vocabularySize(self) returns the size of the vocabulary.
- lexicalDiversity(self) returns the lexical diversity of the text.
- getKeywords(self) returns words as possible key words, that are longer than seven characters and occur more than seven times (sorted alphabetically)
- numberOfHapaxes(self) returns the number of hapaxes in the text
- avWordLength(self) returns the average word length of the text.

Exercise 1.2: Morphological Analysis

An important problem in computational linguistics is morphological analysis. This consists of breaking down a word into its component pieces, for example *losses* might be broken down as loss + es. In English, morphology is relatively simple and is mostly comprised of prefixes and suffixes. To get an idea of what suffixes are common in Engl0;62;22M0;62;22mish (and thus could be morphemes), we can look at the frequencies of the last n characters of sufficiently long words.

Implement additional methods in class Analyzer, that can perform morphological analysis:

- topSuffixes (self) returns top 10 most often seen suffixes of length 2. We define a n-character suffix as the last n characters of any word of length 5 or more, thus ignore any word shorter than five characters
- topPrefixes(self) returns top 10 most often seen prefixes of length 2. We define a n-character prefix as the first n characters of any word of length 5 or more, thus ignore any word shorter than five characters
- tokensTypical(self) returns first 5 tokens of the (alphabetically sorted) vocabulary that contain both often seen prefixes and often seen suffixes in the corpus

Exercise 2: Language Guesser [4 points]

Implement a language guesser that determines the language it thinks the text is written in. The decision should base on the frequency of individual words in each language. Take a look at the file hw08_nltk/model_lang.py. In this exercise you will have to complete some methods to make it work.

This homework will be graded using unit tests by running: python3 -m unittest -v hw08_nltk/test_lang_guesser.py

- 1. Complete the class method build_language_models(self). This method should return a conditional frequency distribution where:
 - the languages are the conditions
 - the values are the frequency distribution of lower case words in corresponding language
- 2. Complete the class method guess_language(self,language_model_cfd, text):
 - it should calculate the overall score of a given text based on the frequency of words accessible by language_model_cfd[language].freq(word).
 - it should return the most likely language for a given text according to the scores