

# Package ‘rapidraker’

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**Type** Package

**Title** Rapid Automatic Keyword Extraction (RAKE) Algorithm

**Version** 0.1.3

**Description** A 'Java' implementation of the RAKE algorithm ('Rose', S., 'Engel', D., 'Cramer', N. and 'Cowley', W. (2010) <doi:10.1002/9780470689646.ch1>), which can be used to extract keywords from documents without any training data.

**URL** <https://crew102.github.io/slowraker/articles/rapidraker.html>

**BugReports** <https://github.com/crew102/rapidraker/issues>

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**Depends** R (>= 3.1)

**Imports** rJava, openNLPdata, slowraker, utils

**Suggests** knitr, rmarkdown, testthat

**SystemRequirements** Java (>= 8)

**RoxygenNote** 7.1.1

**NeedsCompilation** no

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*Rapid RAKE*


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## Description

A relatively fast version of the Rapid Automatic Keyword Extraction (RAKE) algorithm. See [Automatic keyword extraction from individual documents](#) for details on how RAKE works.

## Usage

```
rapidrake(
  txt,
  stop_words = slowraker::smart_words,
  stop_pos = c("VB", "VBD", "VBG", "VBN", "VBP", "VBZ"),
  word_min_char = 3,
  stem = TRUE,
  phrase_delims = "[-,.?():;\\\"!/]\"
)
```

## Arguments

txt	A character vector, where each element of the vector contains the text for one document.
stop_words	A vector of stop words which will be removed from your documents. The default value (smart_words) contains the 'SMART' stop words (equivalent to <code>tm::stopwords('SMART')</code> ). Set stop_words = NULL if you don't want to remove stop words.
stop_pos	All words that have a part-of-speech (POS) that appears in stop_pos will be considered a stop word. stop_pos should be a vector of POS tags. All possible POS tags along with their definitions are in the <a href="#">pos_tags</a> data frame ( <code>View(slowraker::pos_tags)</code> ). The default value is to remove all words that have a verb-based POS (i.e., stop_pos = c("VB", "VBD", "VBG", "VBN", "VBP", "VBZ")). Set stop_pos = NULL if you don't want a word's POS to matter during keyword extraction.
word_min_char	The minimum number of characters that a word must have to remain in the corpus. Words with fewer than word_min_char characters will be removed before the RAKE algorithm is applied. Note that removing words based on word_min_char happens before stemming, so you should consider the full length of the word and not the length of its stem when choosing word_min_char.
stem	Do you want to stem the words before running RAKE?
phrase_delims	A regular expression containing the characters that will be used as phrase delimiters

**Value**

An object of class `rakelist`, which is just a list of data frames (one data frame for each element of `txt`). Each data frame will have the following columns:

**keyword** A keyword that was identified by RAKE.

**freq** The number of times the keyword appears in the document.

**score** The keyword's score, as per the RAKE algorithm. Keywords with higher scores are considered to be higher quality than those with lower scores.

**stem** If you specified `stem = TRUE`, you will get the stemmed versions of the keywords in this column. When you choose stemming, the keyword's score (`score`) will be based off its stem, but the reported number of times that the keyword appears (`freq`) will still be based off of the raw, unstemmed version of the keyword.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
rakelist <- rapidrake(txt = "some text that has great keywords")  
slowraker::rbind_rakelist(rakelist)  
  
## End(Not run)
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