# Body Language in Classic British Fiction: Words, $n$-grams, and topics 

Томолі Tabata, a)


#### Abstract

This pilot study takes a stylometric approach to investigate "body language" in classic British fiction. The specific research questions are how body-part words are distributed across registers, whether frequency patterns of body language make it possible to classify texts into meaningful sets, as well as what stylistic functions body-part expressions lend themselves to in fiction. To answer the questions, stylometric analysis is carried out in conjunction with topic modelling and qualitative interpretation of stylistics effects by paying close attention to individual words, $n$-grams, and topics.


Keywords: Body language, style, classic fiction, stylometry, topics

## 1. Introduction

This article was prepared as a handout for presentation given at the 119th SIG-CH (Computers and the Humanities) conference to be held at the Toyonaka Campus of the University of Osaka on the 16th February 2019.

A first step of text analysis often begins with identifying key words of a target author or a target corpus. Based on the assumption that key words encapsulate important lexical, semantic, thematic, or stylistic features of the author, we try to find words "that are evenly distributed across [her/his corpus] and display a higher frequency and a wider range than in a reference corpus of some kind" (Paquot and Bestgen, 2009). The most popular methods for detecting key words include application of statistical significance testings, such as chi-squared $\left(\chi^{2}\right)$, log-likelihood ratio $\left(G^{2}\right)$ (Rayson and Garside, 2000), Mann-Whitney's $U$, and representativeness/distinctiveness ( $R D$ ) index (Klaussner et al. 2015), among others. While $\chi^{2}$ and $G^{2}$ can over-evaluate "bursty" words (those which occur extremely frequently in a very small number of texts, typically in a single text only), tending to give greater weights to high-frequency words due to their formulae, $U$ and $R D$ help to find lexical items "that are [more] evenly distributed across [the target set]". As a result of comparing a Charles Dickens corpus with a reference corpus of classic British fiction using $R D$, for instance, a list of following key words can be obtained:
head, down, old, corner, state, given, legs, fire, window, until, streets, night, for, outside, looking, air, dark, round, behind, return, shut, light, upon, than, hat, quiet, without, would, up, top, future, reference, wall, off, remarkable, to, determined, arranged, red, scarcely, not, but, heavy, bright, boy, till, slowly, street, neither, sky, expression, desired, stopped, through, with, dead, be-

[^0]side, only, dismal, sharp, leaning, windows, worn, nevertheless, holding, face, nor, must, bell, closed, patience, therefore, black, wasn't, stopping, times, could, anybody, consciousness, position, faces, pleased, various, endeavour, use, curious, received, shake, gradually, being, feeling, iron, advice, effort, wind, inside, here, back, assured, hair
Words in italics are the most representative and distinctive Dickens markers while words in Roman are consistently more overused in the reference set. What attracts attention in the Dickensian key words are body-part words such as head, legs, face, faces, and hair. Attentive readers of Dickens novels will associate such body-part expressions with description of actions, habits, emotions, and personalities of fictional characters. A team of researchers led by Michaela Mahlberg of the University of Birmingham are, in fact, working on characterization in the representation of body language from a corpus linguistic perspective (the CLiC Dickens project) (Mahlberg et al. 2016; Wiegand et al., 2017; Mahlberg and Wiegand, 2018).

The aim of this paper is to take a stylometric approach to investigate body language in classic British fiction with Dickens being the target author. The specific research questions are:
(1) how body-part words are distributed across registers
(2) whether frequency patterns of body language make it possible to classify texts into meaningful sets
(3) what stylistic functions body-part expressions lend themselves to in fiction
To answer the questions, stylometric analysis is carried out in conjunction with topic modelling and qualitative interpretation of stylistics effects by paying close attention to individual words, $n$-grams, and topics.

## 2. Body language across registers

As a first step to list up as many body-part words as pos-
sible, all the word-types in a corpus of classic British fiction were examined. The corpus entitled Osaka Reference Corpus for Historical/Diachronic Stylistics (ORCHiDS) is made up of 23 texts by Dickens, 24 major 18th Century novels, and 31 representative 19th Century fiction texts with a total tokens of 14,481,460 running words (Tables 2-4). Fig. 1 shows 150 lexical items found in the corpus.
abdomen, \#abdominal, \#abdominales, ankle, ankles, anus, arm, arm's, arms, arms', arse, artery, back, belly, bladder, blood, body, bone, brain, breast, breasts, buttocks, calf, cheek, cheeks, chest, chin, ear, ears, elbow, elbows, eye, eyes, eyebrow, eyebrows, eyelashes, eyelid, eyelids, face, faces, feet, finger, fingers, finger-nail, finger-nails, fingernail, fingernails, foot, forehead, foreheads, groin, gums, hair, hairs, hand, hands, head, heads, heart, hearts, heel, heels, hip, hips, instep, insteps, intestines, iris, jaw, jaws, kidney, knee, knees, leg, legs, ligament, ligaments, lip, lips, liver, lobe, lungs, mouth, mouths, muscle, muscles, nail, nails, navel, neck, necks, nerves, nose, noses, nostril, nostrils, organs, ovary, palm, palms, pinky, pituitary, \#pore, pupil, ribs, \#scalp, shin, shoulder, shoulders, skeleton, skin, skull, skulls, \#sole, spinal, spine, spines, spleen, stomach, stomachs, teeth, tendon, tendons, thigh, thighs, \#thorax, throat, throats, thumb, thumbs, tibia, \#tissue, toe, toes, \#toe-nails, tongue, tongues, \#tonsils, tooth, torso, \#uterus, \#uvula, vein, veins, vertebrae, waist, waists, wrist, wrists

Fig. 1150 body-pard words extracted from ORCHiDS

In an effort to answer the first research question, total frequencies (per 100,000 words) of body-part words were counted in each of fifteen registers in two 1,000,000-word balanced corpora: the FLOB corpus (British English) and FROWN corpus (American English). The two corpora were complied according to the same corpus design in terms of the size and number of samples that make up fifteen registers: nine informative prose registers and six imaginative (fictional) prose registers. Table 1 gives a descriptive summary of the corpus design.

Table 1 The structure of FLOB/FROWN corpora

| Category | Register | No. of texts |
| :---: | :--- | ---: |
| A | Press: Reportage | 44 |
| B | Press: Editorial | 27 |
| C | Press: Review | 17 |
| D | Religion | 17 |
| E | Skills, Trades and Hobbies | 38 |
| F | Popular Lore | 44 |
| G | Belles Lettres, Biographies, Essays | 77 |
| H | Miscellaneous | 30 |
| J | Science | 80 |
| K | General Fiction | 29 |
| L | Mystery and Detective Fiction | 24 |
| M | Science Fiction | 6 |
| N | Adventure and Western | 29 |
| P | Romance and Love Story | 29 |
| R | Humour | 9 |
|  | Total number of texts in the corpus: | 500 |

The categories A-J are informative registers, and K-R fictional registers.
As Fig. 2 illustrates, body-part related words are predominantly more frequent in fictional registers in both British and American English. The overall distributional pattern in the two corpora is remarkably similar: the category most given to body language is Romance and Love story ( P ), with Humour ( R ) having the least recourse to parts of body in the fictional registers.

Of the 150 items given in Fig. 1, words with \# were not found in the two corpora and 121 words are common in both corpora. Fig. 3 is a result of conducting Principle Component Analysis on a frequency matrix of the 121 body-part words across the 15 registers in the FLOB and FROWN corpora. ${ }^{* 1}$ Whereas informative registers form a closely-knit cluster, fictional registers are widely dispersed. Of further note is that fictional registers in the two national varieties of English have remarkably similar positions in the 3D diagram. To sum up, body language is a distinctive feature of fiction since depiction of body part plays significant roles in fictional settings.

Table 2 ORCHiDS Dickens Component

| No. | Texts | Category | Date | Tokens |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | Sketches by Boz | Sketches | $1833-1836$ | 187,493 |
| 2 | The Pickwick Papers | Serial Fiction | $1836-1837$ | 300,269 |
| 3 | Other Early Papers | Sketches | $1837-1840$ | 67,121 |
| 4 | Oliver Twist | Serial Fiction | $1837-1839$ | 157,707 |
| 5 | Nicholas Nickleby | Serial Fiction | $1838-1839$ | 322,393 |
| 6 | Master Humphrey's Clock | Miscellany | $1840-1841$ | 47,331 |
| 7 | The Old Curiosity Shop | Serial Fiction | $1840-1841$ | 217,521 |
| 8 | Barnaby Rudge | Serial Fiction | 1841 | 254,141 |
| 9 | American Notes | Sketches | 1842 | 101,941 |
| 10 | Martin Chuzzlewit | Serial Fiction | $1843-1844$ | 336,630 |
| 11 | Christmas Books | Fiction | $1843-1848$ | 154,449 |
| 12 | Pictures from Italy | Sketches | 1846 | 72,553 |
| 13 | Dombey and Son | Serial Fiction | $1846-1848$ | 342,386 |
| 14 | David Copperfield | Serial Fiction | $1849-50$ | 356,110 |
| 15 | Bleak House | Serial Fiction | $1852-1853$ | 354,369 |
| 16 | Hard Times | Serial Fiction | 1854 | 103,443 |
| 17 | Little Dorrit | Serial Fiction | $1855-1857$ | 338,502 |
| 18 | Reprinted Pieces | Sketches | $1850-1856$ | 91,574 |
| 19 | A Tale of Two Cities | Serial Fiction | 1859 | 136,259 |
| 20 | The Uncommercial Traveller | Sketches | $1860-1869$ | 142,973 |
| 21 | The Great Expectations | Serial Fiction | $1860-1861$ | 184,889 |
| 22 | Our Mutual Friend | Serial Fiction | $1864-1865$ | 326,158 |
| 23 | The Mystery of Edwin Drood | Serial Fiction | 1870 | 94,143 |
| Sum of word-tokens in the set of Dickens texts: 4,690,355 |  |  |  |  |

Table 3 ORCHiDS 18th Century Subcorpus

| No. | Author | Texts | Date | Tokens |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | Defoe | Captain Singleton | 1720 | 110,843 |
| 2 | Defoe | Journal of Prague Year | 1722 | 94,695 |
| 3 | Defoe | The Military Memoirs of |  |  |
|  |  | Captain George Carleton | 1728 | 80,612 |
| 4 | Defoe | Moll Flanders | 1724 | 136,241 |
| 5 | Defoe | Robinson Crusoe | 1719 | 232,324 |
| 6 | Fielding | A Journey from this World |  |  |
|  |  | to the Next | 1749 | 45,003 |
| 7 | Fielding | Amelia | 1751 | 211,678 |
| 8 | Fielding | Jonathan Wild | 1743 | 69,938 |
| 9 | Fielding | Joseph Andrews | 1742 | 125,342 |
| 10 | Fielding | Tom Jones | 1749 | 346,256 |
| 11 | Goldsmith | The Vicar of Wakefield | 1766 | 62,976 |
| 12 | Richardson | Clarissa | 1748 | 935,894 |
| 13 | Richardson | Pamela | 1740 | 438,937 |
| 14 | Smollet | Peregrine Pickle | 1751 | 342,200 |
| 15 | Smollett | Ferdinand Count Fathom | 1753 | 157,641 |
| 16 | Smollett | Humphrey Clinker | 1771 | 150,395 |
| 17 | Smollett | Sir Launcelot Greaves | 1760 | 89,388 |
| 18 | Smollett | Roderick Random | 1748 | 191,602 |
| 19 | Smollett | Travels through France |  |  |
|  |  | and Italy | 1766 | 121,074 |
| 20 | Sterne | A Sentimental Journey | 1768 | 40,783 |
| 21 | Sterne | Tristram Shandy | $1759-1767$ | 186,426 |
| 22 | Swift | A Tale of a Tub | 1704 | 44,121 |
| 23 | Swift | Gulliver's Travels | 1726 | 104,047 |
| 24 | Swift | A Journal to Stella | $1710-1713$ | 189,587 |
|  | Sum of word-tokens in the set of 18th Century texts: | $4,508,003$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |

[^1]

Fig. 2 Frequencies of body-part words (per 100,000 words) across 15 registers in the FROWN and FLOB corpora

Table 4 ORCHiDS 19th Century Subcorpus

| No. | Author | Texts | Date | Tokens |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | Austen | Emma | 1815 | 160,307 |
| 2 | Austen | Mansfield Park | 1814 | 159,792 |
| 3 | Austen | Northanger Abbey | 1803 | 77,250 |
| 4 | Austen | Persuasion | 1816 | 83,303 |
| 5 | Austen | Pride and Prejudice | 1813 | 122,253 |
| 6 | Austen | Sense and Sensibility | 1811 | 119,502 |
| 7 | A.Brontë | Agnes Grey | 1847 | 68,222 |
| 8 | C.Brontë | Jane Eyre | 1847 | 186,272 |
| 9 | C.Brontë | The Professor | 1857 | 88,081 |
| 10 | C.Brontë | Villette | 1853 | 194,479 |
| 11 | E.Brontë | Wuthering Heights | 1847 | 116,431 |
| 12 | Collins | After Dark | 1882 | 136,884 |
| 13 | Collins | The Moonstone | 1868 | 194,136 |
| 14 | Collins | The Woman in White | 1859 | 246,799 |
| 15 | G.Eliot | Adam Bede | 1859 | 215,101 |
| 16 | G.Eliot | Brother Jacob | 1864 | 16,683 |
| 17 | G.Eliot | Daniel Deronda | 1876 | 311,115 |
| 18 | G.Eliot | Middlemarch | $1871-1872$ | 318,065 |
| 19 | G.Eliot | Silas Marner | 1861 | 71,389 |
| 20 | G.Eliot | The Mill on the Floss | 1860 | 207,341 |
| 21 | Gaskell | Cranford | $1851-1853$ | 70,947 |
| 22 | Gaskell | Mary Barton | 1848 | 160,589 |
| 23 | Gaskell | Sylvia's Lovers | 1863 | 190,829 |
| 24 | Thackeray | Barry Lyndon | 1844 | 126,048 |
| 25 | Thackeray | Vanity Fair | 1848 | 303,935 |
| 26 | Trollope | Barchester Towers | 1857 | 198,369 |
| 27 | Trollope | Can You Forgive Her | 1865 | 316,151 |
| 28 | Trollope | Doctor Thorne | 1857 | 217,748 |
| 29 | Trollope | The Eustace Diamonds | 1873 | 269,818 |
| 30 | Trollope | Phineas Finn | 1869 | 263,231 |
| 31 | Trollope | The Warden | 1855 | 72,032 |
|  | Sum of word-tokens in the set of 19th Century texts: $\mathbf{5 , 2 8 3 , 1 0 2}$ |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 18 |

## 3. Body-part words in classic British fiction

Normalized frequencies of the body-part words (per 100,000 running words) were counted in order to examine complex interrelationships between the terms, the texts, and association between the terms and the text. Word frequency profiles, of which


PC Scores: 121 variables 30 cases
Fig. 3 Principal Component Analysis of 121 body-part words across 15 registers in the FROWN and FLOB corpora
part is shown as Table 5 were then fed to a series of multivariate analysis, including PCA and Correspondence Analysis, and machine-learning-based classification algorithm (Random Forests). The three subcorpora in the ORCHiDS are differentiated according to differing frequency patterns of body language.

To supplement findings from stylometric analysis, topic modelling was carried out using MALLET (a JAVA-based MAchine Learning LanguagE Toolkit developed at the University Massachusetts at Amherst)*2. What is of special interest is that a topic made up of body-language-related words was found to discriminate strongly in favour of the Dickens set (Fig. 4). Fig. 5 shows topic density distribution across the authors in the corpus. One Dickens sample is shown to have nearly as much as $40 \%$ accounted for by words belonging to the topic labelled facial/bodily gestures.
Full results will be provided at the 119th SIG-CH conference.

## References

[1] Paquot, M. and Bestgen, Y. (2009). Distinctive words in academic writing: A comparison of three statistical tests for keyword extraction, in Jucker, A., Schreier D., and Hundt M. (eds.) Corpora: Pragmatics and Discourse. Papers from the 29th International Conference on English Language Research on Computerized Corpora (ICAME 29), pp. 247-269.
[2] Klaussner, C., Nerbonne, J., and Coltekin, C. (2015). Finding Characteristic Features in Stylometric Analysis, Digital Scholarship in the Humanities, Vol. 30, Supplement 1, i114-i129.
[3] Rayson, P. and Garside, R. (2000). Comparing corpora using frequency profiling, In proceedings of the Workshop on Comparing Corpora, held in conjunction with the 38th annual meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL 2000). 1-8 October 2000, Hong Kong, 1-6.
[4] Mahlberg, M., Stockwell, P., de Joode, J., Smith, C., and O'Donnell, M. B. (2016). CLiC Dickens: Novel uses of concordances for the integration of corpus stylistics and cognitive poetics. Corpora, 11 (3), 433-463.
[5] Mahlberg, M. and Wiegand V. (2018). Corpus stylistics, norms and comparisons: Studying speech in Great Expectations, in Page, R.,

Table 6 Words most strongly distinguishing between Dickens, 18th century fiction (ECF), and 19th century fiction (NCF)

| Item | Gini Index | Accuracy | Dickens | ECF | NCF | Key Group |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| head | 3.45934862 | 4.68480029 | 4.51573043 | 3.2804482 | 2.131026953 | Dickens |
| belly | 2.93615044 | 4.82666252 | 2.78455667 | 4.7231821 | 3.225332783 | ECF |
| legs | 2.85714671 | 3.87376684 | 3.92005145 | 2.426893 | 2.268022571 | Dickens |
| breast | 1.88716461 | 2.68483068 | 1.810141 | -1.1644206 | 3.243361524 | Dickens |
| heels | 1.87774198 | 2.82987099 | 0.40838726 | 1.3367968 | 3.091538789 | Dickens |
| cheeks | 1.74496864 | 4.12310538 | 2.79298169 | 2.6308761 | 3.032714115 | NCF |
| face | 1.47790985 | 2.99578692 | 1.83803828 | 2.7015393 | 1.194675822 | Dickens |
| hair | 1.47287166 | 2.89868309 | 2.33714549 | 3.1574 | -0.27317367 | Dickens |
| back | 1.34026863 | 3.51834501 | 2.47797086 | 2.1673312 | 2.045400912 | Dickens |
| chin | 1.31265667 | 3.21763246 | 2.85822505 | 0.9245071 | 3.195374236 | Dickens |
| arm | 1.239132 | 3.46846873 | 1.64456984 | 3.1226619 | 1.373849664 | Dickens |
| hand | 1.18311951 | 2.88112033 | 2.5254471 | 1.6153094 | 2.307059346 | Dickens |
| feet | 1.14666102 | 2.16540652 | 1.77208103 | 2.5939557 | -0.14514389 | Dickens |
| heart | 1.07120984 | 2.26383803 | 1.35388105 | 1.8314778 | 1.146285049 | NCF |
| throat | 1.02456614 | 3.22698856 | 2.72740121 | 2.2293485 | 1.459072634 | Dickens |
| eye | 0.93785247 | 2.85880896 | 2.31836623 | 1.9874613 | 1.86526266 | Dickens |
| finger | 0.85558676 | 2.49350697 | 2.49097962 | 1.1607721 | 0.433995389 | Dickens |
| hands | 0.85394992 | 1.97852855 | 2.05698372 | -0.1510919 | 1.753822422 | Dickens |
| heads | 0.82935414 | 2.27669403 | 1.46686413 | -0.2009896 | 2.666760572 | Dickens |
| shoulder | 0.80448344 | -0.1381218 | 1.79717065 | -0.8040737 | -0.1009469 | Dickens |
| foot | 0.79850267 | 2.50553778 | 1.89877841 | 0.3677838 | 1.763657861 | Dickens |
| forehead | 0.74678004 | 1.21123296 | 0.44854427 | 1.8473995 | 0.241281386 | Dickens |
| body | 0.71325697 | 2.04762125 | 1.37669456 | 1.5537086 | 1.080635767 | ECF |
| nose | 0.68183935 | 2.07042341 | 1.61407003 | -0.1646997 | 1.876353453 | Dickens |
| stomach | 0.63990065 | -0.56342138 | -0.16153564 | -1.0050378 | -0.10344859 | ECF |
| lips | 0.63054557 | 0.52373244 | 0.68856853 | 2.0076963 | -1.56256654 | Dickens |
| elbows | 0.60585681 | 0.99965539 | 0.48998943 | 1.8625435 | -1.28048879 | Dickens |
| faces | 0.59524962 | 1.81912747 | 1.25259896 | 1.3573028 | -0.73593074 | Dickens |
| knees | 0.59341116 | 2.05889911 | 2.032506 | -1.0254725 | 2.034047374 | Dickens |
| nerves | 0.56793053 | 2.72545118 | 1.73799798 | 0.9454092 | 2.34839828 | NCF |
| leg | 0.54402506 | 0.96119038 | 1.23724356 | -1.0050378 | 0.828239801 | Dickens |
| fingers | 0.5374956 | 1.80154455 | -0.16632479 | 1.7123248 | 1.621181444 | Dickens |
| knee | 0.46714756 | 1.66255978 | 1.53421474 | 1.2017015 | 0.277456833 | Dickens |
| tongue | 0.45786288 | 1.57146577 | 1.54770367 | 0.582543 | 1.158450965 | NCF |
| thumb | 0.45440173 | 1.31711786 | 1.88495641 | 0 | -0.83975465 | Dickens |
| eyebrows | 0.45310136 | 2.42132982 | 1.73399615 | 1.8711858 | -0.14031677 | Dickens |
| bone | 0.44369894 | -1.55017505 | -0.12804738 | -0.5984196 | -1.6192606 | ECF |
| tooth | 0.43343815 | -0.83254546 | 1.00503782 | -1.7525586 | -1.00503782 | Dickens |
| spleen | 0.43268168 | 1.8849915 | 1.41965726 | 1.5255594 | 0.646485551 | ECF |
| neck | 0.38464197 | -1.52522174 | -1.00503782 | -1.7139779 | -0.44766148 | Dickens |
| eyes | 0.36915844 | 2.02489705 | 1.00503782 | 1.9809722 | 1.731258439 | Dickens |
| arms | 0.35950636 | 1.89713505 | 1.40421357 | 0.2458438 | 2.017638471 | Dickens |
| mouth | 0.34897913 | 1.18871195 | -0.09407625 | 1.716752 | 0.709218139 | Dickens |
| arm's | 0.34491626 | 1.43792127 | 1.68234392 | 1.0050378 | 0.751646028 | Dickens |

Busse, B., and Norgaard, N. (eds.) Rethinking Language, Text and Context. Interdisciplinary Research in Stylistics in Honour of Michael Toolan New York \& London: Routledge, pp. 123-143.
[6] Wiegand, V., Mahlberg, M., and Stockwell, P. (2017, September 18). Corpus linguistics in action: The fireplace pose in 19th century fiction. The Programming Historian blog post available from 〈https://programminghistorian.org/posts/corpus-linguistics-in-action?ContensisTextOnly=true $\rangle$ (accessed 2019-1-24).

| texts | text.group | back | hand | head | face | eyes | hands | body | hair | heart | feet | blood | eye | arms | mouth | skin | arm | fingers | houlder | foot | neck | faces | legs | nose |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dickens33_SB | Dickens | 933.5 | 864.1 | 794.8 | 768.1 | 613.4 | 480.1 | 170.7 | 250.7 | 282.7 | 240.0 | 80.0 | 309.4 | 250.7 | 117.3 | 21.3 | 288.0 | 26.7 | 42.7 | 181.4 | 69.3 | 90.7 | 250.7 | 64.0 |
| Dickens36_PP | Dickens | 916.3 | 1216.2 | 1342.8 | 899.6 | 992.9 | 586.4 | 223.2 | 153.3 | 419.8 | 243.2 | 86.6 | 363.2 | 266.6 | 136.6 | 33.3 | 306.5 | 53.3 | 100.0 | 119.9 | 90.0 | 123.3 | 269.9 | 173.3 |
| Dickens37a_OEP | Dickens | 418.3 | 537.8 | 836.6 | 433.2 | 657.3 | 433 | 254 | 224.1 | 418.3 | 388.4 | 74.7 | 373 | 194.2 | 134.5 | 44.8 | 239.0 | 44.8 | 14.9 | 119.5 | 29.9 | 194.2 | 313.7 | 9.6 |
| Dickens37b_OT | Dickens | 1567.3 | 1300.8 | 1434.0 | 1110.4 | 1294.4 | 786.8 | 215.7 | 222.1 | 590.1 | 304.6 | 253.8 | 374.4 | 241.1 | 196.7 | 19.0 | 323.6 | 63.5 | 145.9 | 209.4 | 120.6 | 228.4 | 190.4 | 158.6 |
| Dickens38_NN | Dickens | 977.5 | 1114.0 | 1194.7 | 918.5 | 856.4 | 605.1 | 192.4 | 207.9 | 605.1 | 189.3 | 124.1 | 338.2 | 201.7 | 180.0 | 9.3 | 403.4 | 111.7 | 124.1 | 133.4 | 86.9 | 124.1 | 186.2 | 204.8 |
| Dickens40a_MHC | Dickens | 827.5 | 1328.4 | 1001.7 | 1023.5 | 892.9 | 479.1 | 413.8 | 392.0 | 871.1 | 326.7 | 152.4 | 196.0 | 65.3 | 65.3 | 0.0 | 370.2 | 43.6 | 87.1 | 196.0 | 65.3 | 196.0 | 239.5 | 130.7 |
| Dickens40b_OCS | Dickens | 998.3 | 1278.9 | 1237.5 | 883.3 | 1159.3 | 708 | 115 | 174.8 | 579. | 276. | 55.2 | 280.6 | 216.2 | 165.6 | 3.8 | 280. | 87.4 | 110. | 133. | 156 | 156 | 266 | 179.4 |
| Dickens41_BR | Dickens | 1224.5 | 1500.1 | 1248.1 | 1157.6 | 1071.0 | 893.8 | 311.0 | 192.9 | 645.7 | 259.9 | 189.0 | 330.7 | 303.2 | 149.6 | 31.5 | 370.1 | 70.9 | 196.9 | 275.6 | 122.1 | 177.2 | 185.1 | 78.7 |
| Dickens42_AN | Dickens | 706.6 | 726.2 | 814.5 | 549.6 | 628.1 | 677.1 | 245.3 | 147.2 | 235.5 | 235.5 | 58.9 | 402.4 | 147.2 | 117.8 | 49.1 | 245.3 | 206.1 | 39.3 | 147.2 | 108.0 | 245.3 | 235.5 | 88.3 |
| Dickens43_MC | Dickens | 891.5 | 1236.2 | 1200.5 | 948.0 | 817.2 | 674.6 | 104.0 | 208.0 | 573.5 | 133.7 | 121.8 | 291.2 | 175.3 | 139.7 | 14.9 | 365.5 | 101.0 | 112.9 | 160.5 | 53.5 | 68.3 | 181.3 | 112.9 |
| Dickens43b_CB | Dickens | 1211.0 | 1638. | 1528.3 | 1878.0 | 1282.2 | 8.5 | 129.5 | 36.7 | 926.1 | 401.5 | 77.7 | 375.6 | 395.0 | 194.3 | 6.5 | 349.7 | 90.7 | 148.9 | 213.7 | 142.5 | 194.3 | 220.2 | 136.0 |
| Dickens46a_PFI | Dickens | 758.1 | 744.3 | 799.4 | 565.1 | 427.3 | 523.8 | 303.2 | 317.0 | 234.3 | 427.3 | 248.1 | 261.9 | 317.0 | 55.1 | 13.8 | 55.1 | 110.3 | 110.3 | 358.4 | 96.5 | 344.6 | 399.7 | 68.9 |
| Dickens46b_DS | Dickens | 1162.9 | 1618.7 | 1609.9 | 1758.9 | 1352.8 | 616.5 | 99.3 | 263.0 | 794.7 | 175.3 | 93.5 | 385.7 | 309.7 | 151.9 | 29.2 | 379.8 | 52.6 | 128.6 | 181.2 | 163.6 | 78.9 | 137.3 | 113.9 |
| Dickens49_DC | Dickens | 1134.9 | 1429.9 | 1393.4 | 1255.7 | 988.8 | 609.6 | 64.6 | 348.3 | 716.4 | 140.5 | 75.8 | 278.1 | 261.3 | 126.4 | 5.6 | 393.3 | 59.0 | 154.5 | 151.7 | 129.2 | 64.6 | 118.0 | 123.6 |
| Dickens51_CHE | Dickens | 772.3 | 545.5 | 1072.6 | 282.0 | 220.7 | 404.5 | 514.9 | 122.6 | 380.0 | 128.7 | 306.5 | 36.8 | 306.5 | 36.8 | 24.5 | 85.8 | 12.3 | 12.3 | 177.8 | 73.6 | 67.4 | 79.7 | 49.0 |
| Dickens52_BH | Dickens | 911.8 | 1239.3 | 1228.0 | 1058.6 | 827.1 | 592.8 | 87.5 | 313.4 | 527.9 | 135.5 | 70.6 | 367.0 | 338.8 | 124.2 | 14.1 | 352.9 | 90.3 | 149.6 | 138.3 | 110.1 | 76.2 | 141.2 | 48.0 |
| Dickens54_HT | Dickens | 967.6 | 1441.7 | 1315.9 | 1490.1 | 1074.0 | 706.3 | 135.5 | 329.0 | 532.2 | 106.4 | 38.7 | 425.7 | 222.5 | 145.1 | 29.0 | 319.3 | 29.0 | 116.1 | 261.2 | 135.5 | 116.1 | 203.2 | 164.5 |
| Dickens55_LD | Dickens | 1040.3 | 1513.2 | 1129.0 | 969.4 | 1019.7 | 540.9 | 94.6 | 274.9 | 597.0 | 168.5 | 53.2 | 269.0 | 174.4 | 144.8 | 0.0 | 413.8 | 150.7 | 130.0 | 141.9 | 91.6 | 82.8 | 124.1 | 156.6 |
| Dickens56_RP | Dickens | 797.2 | 633.4 | 764.4 | 546.0 | 469.6 | 349.5 | 207.5 | 273.0 | 218.4 | 229.3 | 120.1 | 524.2 | 283.9 | 120.1 | 142.0 | 109.2 | 43.7 | 54.6 | 131.0 | 65.5 | 142.0 | 436.8 | 131.0 |
| Dickens59_TTC | Dickens | 991.5 | 1814.0 | 1292.6 | 1373.4 | 1211.8 | 822.6 | 154.2 | 462.7 | 543.5 | 323.1 | 257.1 | 249.7 | 359.9 | 154.2 | 0.0 | 477.4 | 242.4 | 183.6 | 176.3 | 95.5 | 396.6 | 73.4 | 117.5 |
| Dickens60a_UT | Dickens | 993.7 | 874.8 | 951.7 | 727.8 | 545.9 | 461.9 | 188.9 | 307.9 | 328.9 | 300.9 | 42.0 | 349.9 | 293.9 | 140.0 | 35.0 | 272.9 | 35.0 | 112.0 | 154.0 | 63.0 | 175.0 | 286.9 | 161.0 |
| Dickens60b_GE | Dickens | 1320.6 | 1455.9 | 1266.4 | 893.0 | 974.2 | 990.4 | 92.0 | 443.8 | 492.5 | 184.0 | 151.5 | 259.8 | 238.1 | 249.0 | 32.5 | 362.6 | 167.8 | 292.3 | 113.7 | 129.9 | 97.4 | 189.4 | 146.1 |
| Dickens64_OMF | Dickens | 1168.2 | 1416.5 | 1346.0 | 1162.0 | 1346.0 | 745.0 | 141.0 | 334.2 | 407.8 | 165.6 | 82.8 | 285.1 | 269.8 | 168.6 | 15.3 | 518.2 | 82.8 | 144.1 | 242.2 | 162.5 | 92.0 | 196.2 | 180.9 |
| Dickens70_MED | Dickens | 1190.3 | 1456.0 | 1041.5 | 1232.8 | 945.8 | 797.1 | 127.5 | 286.9 | 340.1 | 191.3 | 170.0 | 255.1 | 223.2 | 138.2 | 21.3 | 425.1 | 63.8 | 201.9 | 180.7 | 106.3 | 127.5 | 148.8 | 95.6 |
| 18_Defoe_Captain_Singleton | 18 thC | 793.9 | 478.2 | 460.1 | 72.2 | 117.3 | 622.5 | 153.4 | 63.2 | 189.5 | 126.3 | 171.4 | 27.1 | 315.8 | 153.4 | 63.2 | 99.2 | 9.0 | 18.0 | 198.5 | 45.1 | 27.1 | 54.1 | 0.0 |
| 18_Defoe_Jnl_of_Prague_Year | 18 thC | 551.5 | 83.4 | 359.7 | 131.9 | 119.9 | 275.8 | 383.7 | 36.0 | 179.8 | 119.9 | 203.8 | 48.0 | 155.9 | 59.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 24.0 | 71.9 | 48.0 | 71.9 | 12.0 | 12. |
| 18_Defoe_Military_Memoirs_of_Capt_George_Carleton | 18 thC | 521.0 | 384.6 | 496.2 | 210.9 | 285.3 | 483.8 | 657.5 | 37.2 | 186.1 | 74.4 | 111.6 | 235.7 | 272.9 | 148.9 | 12.4 | 148.9 | 12.4 | 37.2 | 459.0 | 12.4 | 49.6 | 86.8 | 24.8 |
| 18_Defoe_Moll_Flanders | 18 thC | 785.7 | 712.3 | 330.4 | 168.9 | 124.8 | 536.0 | 132.2 | 0.0 | 374.5 | 29.4 | 110.1 | 29.4 | 176.2 | 102.8 | 7.3 | 51.4 | 29.4 | 7.3 | 88.1 | 22.0 | 7.3 | 7.3 | 0.0 |
| 18_Defoe_Robinson_Crusoe | 18thC | 792.0 | 598.3 | 563.9 | 176.5 | 202.3 | 675.8 | 249.7 | 43.0 | 254.0 | 284.1 | 172.2 | 30.1 | 383.1 | 167.9 | 103.3 | 86.1 | 30.1 | 51.7 | 331.4 | 21.5 | 17.2 | 47.3 | 30.1 |
| 18_Fielding_A_Journey_from_This_to_Next_World | 18 thC | 800.8 | 11.4 | 3.7 | 178.0 | 444.9 | 178.0 | 422.7 | 0.0 | 333.7 | 0.0 | 89.0 | 89.0 | 66.7 | 111.2 | 22.2 | 89.0 | 22.2 | 44.5 | 66.7 | 44.5 | 89.0 | 44.5 | 44.5 |
| 18_Fielding_Amelia | 18thC | 231.0 | 367.7 | 278.1 | 273.4 | 561.0 | 235.7 | 127.3 | 14.1 | 570.4 | 56.6 | 122.6 | 47.1 | 235.7 | 89.6 | 4.7 | 47.1 | 14.1 | 9.4 | 51.9 | 47.1 | 0.0 | 23.6 | 51.9 |
| 18_Fielding_Jonathan_Wild | 18 thC | 171.4 | 242.9 | 585.8 | 71.4 | 700.1 | 700.1 | 171.4 | 57.1 | 314.3 | 85.7 | 185.7 | 171.4 | 228.6 | 85.7 | 42.9 | 57.1 | 42.9 | 14.3 | 42.9 | 71.4 | 28.6 | 28.6 | 28.6 |
| 18_Fielding_Joseph_Andrews | 18thC | 327.1 | 606.3 | 486.6 | 374.9 | 741.9 | 359.0 | 135.6 | 119.7 | 534.5 | 71.8 | 183.5 | 23.9 | 247.3 | 103.7 | 71.8 | 111.7 | 71.8 | 0.0 | 199.4 | 63.8 | 39.9 | 111.7 | 87.8 |
| 18_Fielding_Tom_Jones | 18thC | 256.9 | 421.4 | 430.1 | 329.0 | 505.1 | 294.4 | 138.5 | 43.3 | 663.8 | 69.3 | 239.6 | 95.2 | 184.7 | 129.9 | 28.9 | 103.9 | 31.7 | 14.4 | 80.8 | 46.2 | 37.5 | 57.7 | 60.6 |
| 18_Goldsmith_The_Vicar_of_Wakefield | 18thC | 476.0 | 460.1 | 222.1 | 412.5 | 126.9 | 174.5 | 158.7 | 190.4 | 920.3 | 63.5 | 79.3 | 222.1 | 301.5 | 0.0 | 47.6 | 190.4 | 31.7 | 15.9 | 126.9 | 63.5 | 111.1 | 15.9 | 0.0 |
| 18_Richardson_Clarissa | 18 thC | 344.8 | 711.9 | 445.6 | 321.5 | 433.9 | 428.6 | 604.7 | 28.6 | 1354.8 | 115.6 | 59.4 | 304.5 | 118.8 | 108.2 | 14.9 | 53.0 | 65.8 | 21.2 | 90.2 | 61.5 | 39.3 | 6.4 | 20.2 |
| 18_Richardson_Pamela | 18 thC | 334.7 | 847.0 | 334.7 | 330.1 | 350.6 | 398.4 | 582.9 | 15.9 | 1179.4 | 104.7 | 25.0 | 186.7 | 198.1 | 102.5 | 11.4 | 72.9 | 38.7 | 29.6 | 104.7 | 72.9 | 9.1 | 6.8 | 9.1 |
| 18_Smollet_PP | 18thC | 236.8 | 622.8 | 383.0 | 266.1 | 470.8 | 271.9 | 298.2 | 90.6 | 760.2 | 87.7 | 157.9 | 225.1 | 204.7 | 233.9 | 32.2 | 84.8 | 40.9 | 61.4 | 157.9 | 46.8 | 38.0 | 32.2 | 99.4 |
| 18_Smollett_FCF | 18 thC | 203.0 | 539.2 | 323.5 | 228.4 | 672.4 | 234.7 | 279.1 | 82.5 | 1205.3 | 101.5 | 222.0 | 323.5 | 310.8 | 76.1 | 38.1 | 44.4 | 0.0 | 19.0 | 120.5 | 50.7 | 38.1 | 12.7 | 88.8 |
| 18_Smollett_HC | 18 thC | 301.7 | 583.3 | 643.7 | 207.8 | 449.2 | 301.7 | 295.0 | 160.9 | 657.1 | 100.6 | 234.7 | 207.8 | 181.0 | 140.8 | 127.4 | 67.0 | 33.5 | 26.8 | 174.3 | 80.5 | 93.9 | 67.0 | 254.8 |
| 18_Smollett_LG | 18 thC | 347.1 | 940.4 | 716.5 | 403.0 | 974.0 | 436.6 | 335.9 | 167.9 | 951.6 | 123.1 | 257.5 | 223.9 | 358.3 | 201.5 | 22.4 | 134.3 | 67.2 | 33.6 | 179.1 | 156.7 | 33.6 | 44.8 | 167.9 |
| 18_Smollett_RR | 18 thC | 402.0 | 882.3 | 584.8 | 360.2 | 537.8 | 370.7 | 673.5 | 125.3 | 532.5 | 120.1 | 323.7 | 135.7 | 229.7 | 224.5 | 141.0 | 88.8 | 57.4 | 78.3 | 146.2 | 114.9 | 41.8 | 57.4 | 156.6 |
| 18_Smollett_TFI | 18thC | 90.9 | 396.4 | 553.4 | 190.0 | 223.0 | 123.9 | 396.4 | 214.7 | 90.9 | 396.4 | 173.4 | 214.7 | 99.1 | 115.6 | 115.6 | 57.8 | 41.3 | 16.5 | 272.6 | 49.6 | 90.9 | 132.1 | 24.8 |
| 18_Sterne_A_Sentimental_Journey | 18thC | 1127.8 | 1986.0 | 686.5 | 637.5 | 588.4 | 613.0 | 343.3 | 98.1 | 1422.1 | 98.1 | 245.2 | 294.2 | 122.6 | 98.1 | 0.0 | 318.7 | 73.6 | 24.5 | 294.2 | 122.6 | 122.6 | 98.1 | 49.0 |
| 18_Sterne_Tristram_Shandy | 18 thC | 724.0 | 1464.2 | 1163.8 | 348.6 | 364.7 | 466.6 | 579.2 | 134.1 | 863.5 | 144.8 | 257.4 | 321.8 | 134.1 | 166.3 | 32.2 | 177.0 | 134.1 | 53.6 | 268.2 | 48.3 | 48.3 | 107.3 | 595.3 |
| 18_Swift_A_Tale_of_a_Tub | 18thC | 158.2 | 429.4 | 610.2 | 90.4 | 452.0 | 406.8 | 565.0 | 45.2 | 271.2 | 113.0 | 22.6 | 45.2 | 113.0 | 135.6 | 90.4 | 0.0 | 45.2 | 293.8 | 67.8 | 0.0 | 22.6 | 22.6 | 271.2 |
| 18_Swift_Gulliver's_Travels | 18thC | 482.1 | 636.3 | 626.7 | 424.2 | 433.9 | 539.9 | 617.0 | 173.5 | 96.4 | 1166.6 | 115.7 | 48.2 | 125.3 | 212.1 | 86.8 | 96.4 | 48.2 | 19.3 | 318.2 | 144.6 | 67.5 | 144.6 | 125.3 |
| 18_Swift_The_Journal_to_Stella | 18thC | 429.0 | 397.6 | 612.1 | 125.6 | 230.2 | 313.9 | 109.9 | 15.7 | 172.6 | 20.9 | 57.5 | 47.1 | 52.3 | 68.0 | 5.2 | 0.0 | 15.7 | 83.7 | 83.7 | 36.6 | 26.2 | 31.4 | 20.9 |
| 19_A.Bronte_Agnes_Grey | 19 thC | 615.6 | 557.0 | 381.1 | 527.7 | 615.6 | 351.8 | 219.9 | 234.5 | 879.5 | 293.2 | 29.3 | 117.3 | 73.3 | 73.3 | 14.7 | 102.6 | 87.9 | 14.7 | 44.0 | 0.0 | 73.3 | 29.3 | 44.0 |
| 19_Austen_Emma | 19thC | 417.9 | 330.6 | 249.5 | 199.6 | 318.1 | 143.5 | 1203.8 | 87.3 | 411.7 | 6.2 | 31.2 | 193.4 | 12.5 | 31.2 | 18.7 | 99.8 | 0.0 | 6.2 | 49.9 | 0.0 | 18.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 19_Austen_Mansfield_Park | 19thC | 513.1 | 419.2 | 294.1 | 156.4 | 431.8 | 162.7 | 43.8 | 12.5 | 738.4 | 25.0 | 12.5 | 143.9 | 18.8 | 18.8 | 12.5 | 68.8 | 6.3 | 0.0 | 25.0 | 18.8 | 18.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 19_Austen_Northanger_Abbey | 19thC | 607.5 | 439.5 | 413.6 | 206.8 | 542.9 | 129.3 | 25.9 | 168.0 | 943.6 | 0.0 | 64.6 | 400.7 | 12.9 | 0.0 | 25.9 | 245.6 | 12.9 | 12.9 | 25.9 | 0.0 | 12.9 | 25.9 | 0.0 |
| 19_Austen_Persuasion | 19thC | 828.3 | 276.1 | 420.2 | 264.1 | 396.1 | 240.1 | 96.0 | 12.0 | 504.2 | 24.0 | 48.0 | 288.1 | 96.0 | 24.0 | 12.0 | 132.0 | 24.0 | 12.0 | 84.0 | 12.0 | 36.0 | 12.0 | 12.0 |
| 19_Austen_Pride_and_Prejudice | 19thC | 336.8 | 205.3 | 262.8 | 221.8 | 427.1 | 57.5 | 16.4 | 24.6 | 369.6 | 8.2 | 0.0 | 123.2 | 0.0 | 8.2 | 0.0 | 32.9 | 24.6 | 0.0 | 8.2 | 0.0 | 24.6 | 0.0 | 8.2 |
| 19_Austen_Sense_and_Sensibility | 19thC | 334.6 | 359.7 | 309.5 | 209.1 | 468.4 | 142.2 | 435.0 | 150.6 | 1062.3 | 25.1 | 16.7 | 158.9 | 33.5 | 25.1 | 25.1 | 25.1 | 25.1 | 16.7 | 16.7 | 33.5 | 8.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

[^2]

Fig. 4 Heatmap visualization of 50 topics across 78 texts (with mean weights scaled)


Fig. 5 Topic density distribution across the authors: Topic 9 facial/bodily gestures)


[^0]:    GSLC, University of Osaka, Toyonaka, Osaka 560-0043, Japan
    a) tabata@lang.osaka-u.ac.jp

[^1]:    *1 The frequency matrix of the 121 body-part words across the 15 registers in the FLOB/FROWN corpora is omitted due to space constraints. The data is available upon request to the author.

[^2]:    *2 http://mallet.cs.umass.edu/index.php

