

# Package ‘RmecabKo’

July 21, 2025

**Type** Package  
**Title** An 'Rcpp' Interface for Eunjeon Project  
**Version** 0.1.6.2  
**Author** Junhewk Kim  
**Maintainer** Junhewk Kim <junhewk.kim@gmail.com>  
**Description** An 'Rcpp' interface for Eunjeon project <<http://eunjeon.blogspot.com/>>. The 'mecab-ko' and 'mecab-ko-dic' is based on a C++ library, and part-of-speech tagging with them is useful when the spacing of source Korean text is not correct. This package provides part-of-speech tagging and tokenization function for Korean text.  
**Imports** Rcpp, stringr  
**LinkingTo** Rcpp  
**License** GPL (>= 2)  
**RoxygenNote** 6.0.1  
**LazyData** true  
**NeedsCompilation** yes  
**Repository** CRAN  
**Date/Publication** 2018-02-13 16:11:26 UTC

## Contents

install_dic . . . . .	2
install_mecab . . . . .	2
nouns . . . . .	3
pos . . . . .	4
RmecabKo . . . . .	4
token_morph . . . . .	5
token_ngrams . . . . .	6
words . . . . .	7
<b>Index</b>	<b>9</b>

---

install_dic	<i>Install Mecab-Ko-Dic in Linux and Mac OSX.</i>
-------------	---

---

**Description**

install\_dic installs Mecab-Ko-Dic.

**Usage**

```
install_dic()
```

**Details**

This code checks and installs Mecab-Ko-Dic in Linux and Mac OSX. This is essential for using custom-defined user dictionary. Installing Mecab-Ko-Dic needs system privileges, because it uses 'make install' to build from source and install it to system.

**Value**

None. The function will halt when the current operation system is not Linux or Mac OSX, or Mecab-Ko-Dic is installed already.

See examples in [Github](#).

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
install_dic()  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

install_mecab	<i>Install mecab-ko-msvc and mecab-ko-dic-msvc</i>
---------------	--

---

**Description**

install\_mecab installs Mecab-Ko-MSVC and Mecab-Ko-Dic-MSVC.

**Usage**

```
install_mecab(mecabLocation)
```

**Arguments**

mecabLocation    a directory to install Mecab-Ko-MSVC and Mecab-Ko-Dic-MSVC.

**Details**

This code checks and installs Mecab-Ko-MSVC and Mecab-Ko-Dic-MSVC in user specified directory. Windows only.

**Value**

None. The function will halt when the current operation system is not Windows, or /mecabLocation/mecab.exe exists.

See examples in [Github](#).

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
install_mecab("D:/Rlibs/mecab")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

nouns	<i>Noun extractor by mecab-ko</i>
-------	-----------------------------------

---

**Description**

nouns returns nouns extracted from Korean phrases.

**Usage**

```
nouns(phrase)
```

**Arguments**

phrase            A character vector or character vectors.

**Details**

Noun extraction is used for many Korean text analysis algorithms.

**Value**

List of nouns will be returned. Element name of the list are original phrases.

See examples in [Github](#).

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
nouns(c("Some Korean Phrases"))  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

pos	<i>POS tagging by mecab-ko</i>
-----	--------------------------------

---

### Description

pos returns part-of-speech (POS) tagged morpheme of Korean phrases.

### Usage

```
pos(phrase, join = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

phrase	Character vector.
join	Boolean.

### Details

This is a basic function of part-of-speech tagging by mecab-ko.

### Value

List of POS tagged morpheme will be returned in conjoined character vector form. Element name of the list are original phrases. If join=FALSE, it returns list of morpheme with named with tags.

See examples in [Github](#).

### Examples

```
## Not run:
pos(c("Some Korean Phrases"))
pos(c("Some Korean Phrases"), join=FALSE)

## End(Not run)
```

---

RmecabKo	<i>Rcpp Wrapper for Eunjeon Project</i>
----------	---

---

### Description

The mecab-ko and mecab-ko-dic is based on a C++ library, and POS tagging with them is useful when the spacing of source text is not correct. For integrating mecab-ko with R, Rcpp package is used for providing the basic framework.

## Details

It is based on the Eunjeon Project. For Mac OSX and Linux, You need to install mecab-ko and mecab-ko-dic before install this package in R. mecab-ko: <https://bitbucket.org/eunjeon/mecab-ko> mecab-ko-dic: <https://bitbucket.org/eunjeon/mecab-ko-dic> In Windows, `install_mecab(mecabLocation)` function will install mecab-ko-msvc and mecab-ko-dic-msvc in user specified directory. It is operated by system command and file I/O, the speed of the analysis is slow compared to the Linux-based operating system.

## Author(s)

Junhewk Kim

## References

- [Eunjeon project](#)
- Wonsup Yoon, mecab-ko VC++ builds at <https://github.com/Pusnow/mecab-ko-msvc>, <https://github.com/Pusnow/mecab-ko-dic-msvc>

## Examples

```
## Not run:
# install.packages("devtools")
devtools::install_github("junhewk/RmecabKo")
# On Windows platform only
install_mecab("D:/Rlibs/mecab")

phrase <- # Some Korean character vectors

# For full POS tagging
pos(phrase)
# For noun extraction only
nouns(phrase)
# For tokenizing of selective morphemes
tokens_words(phrase)
# For n-grams tokenizing
tokens_ngram(phrase)

## End(Not run)
```

---

token\_morph

---

*Morpheme tokenizer based on mecab-ko*


---

## Description

These tokenzier functions perform tokenization into full or selected morphemes, nouns.

**Usage**

```
token_morph(phrase, strip_punct = FALSE, strip_numeric = FALSE)

token_words(phrase, strip_punct = FALSE, strip_numeric = FALSE)

token_nouns(phrase, strip_punct = FALSE, strip_numeric = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

phrase	A character vector or a list of character vectors to be tokenized into morphemes. If phrase is a character vector, it can be of any length, and each element will be tokenized separately. If phrase is a list of character vectors, each element of the list should be a one-item vector.
strip_punct	Bool. If you want to remove punctuations in the phrase, set this as TRUE.
strip_numeric	Bool. If you want to remove numbers in the phrase, set this as TRUE.

**Value**

A list of character vectors containing the tokens, with one element in the list.  
See examples in [Github](#).

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
txt <- # Some Korean sentence

token_morph(txt)
token_words(txt, strip_punct = FALSE)
token_nouns(txt, strip_numeric = TRUE)

## End(Not run)
```

---

token_ngrams	<i>N-gram tokenizer based on mecab-ko</i>
--------------	---

---

**Description**

This function tokenizes inputs into n-grams. For the developmental purpose, this function offers basic n-gram (or shingle n-gram) only. Other n-gram functionality will be added later. Punctuations and numerics are stripped for this tokenizer, because in Korean n-grams those are usually useless. N-gram function is based on the selective morpheme tokenizer (token\_words), but you can select other tokenizer as well.

**Usage**

```
token_ngrams(phrase, n = 3L, div = c("morph", "words", "nouns"),
  stopwords = character(), ngram_delim = " ")
```

**Arguments**

phrase	A character vector or a list of character vectors to be tokenized into morphemes. If phrase is a character vector, it can be of any length, and each element will be tokenized separately. If phrase is a list of character vectors, each element of the list should be a one-item vector.
n	The number of words in the n-gram. This must be an integer greater than or equal to 1.
div	The token generator definition. The options are "morph", "words", and "nouns".
stopwords	Stopwords set to exclude tokens.
ngram_delim	The separator between words in an n-gram.

**Value**

A list of character vectors containing the tokens, with one element in the list.

See examples in [Github](#).

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
txt <- # Some Korean sentence

token_ngrams(txt)
token_ngrams(txt, n = 2)

## End(Not run)
```

---

words	<i>Words extractor by mecab-ko</i>
-------	------------------------------------

---

**Description**

words returns full morphemes extracted from Korean phrases.

**Usage**

```
words(phrase)
```

**Arguments**

phrase	Character vector.
--------	-------------------

**Details**

It is based on Mecab-Ko POS classification.

**Value**

List of full morphemes will be returned.

See examples in [Github](#).

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
words(c("Some Korean Phrases"))  
  
## End(Not run)
```



# Index

- \* **Korean**

- RmecabKo, [4](#)

- \* **nlp**

- RmecabKo, [4](#)

- \* **tagger**

- RmecabKo, [4](#)

install\_dic, [2](#)

install\_mecab, [2](#)

nouns, [3](#)

pos, [4](#)

RmecabKo, [4](#)

RmecabKo-package (RmecabKo), [4](#)

token\_morph, [5](#)

token\_ngrams, [6](#)

token\_nouns (token\_morph), [5](#)

token\_words (token\_morph), [5](#)

words, [7](#)