Topic Models

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Why?

- As we have huge archives of news, blogs, web pages, scientific articles, books, images, sound, video, and social networks
 - It has become difficult to find and discover what we are looking for
- Current approach
 - -Search
- However, imagine exploring a collection based on the themes run through them
 - Zoom in, zoom out

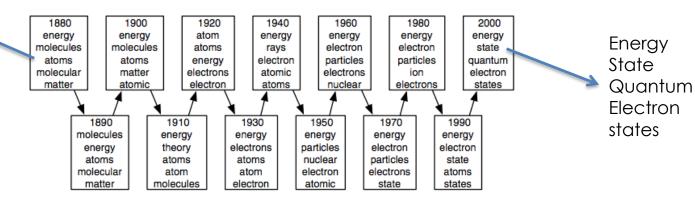
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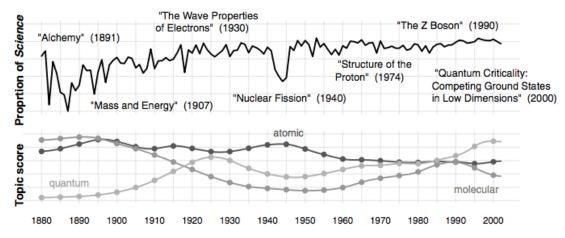
Exploring New York Times

- Themes to explore complete history of NYT
- Sections of the paper
 - Foreign Policy, national affairs, sports, ...
- Zoom in on Foreign policy and various aspects of it
 - Chinese foreign policy, ...
- Throughout the exploration, original articles are accessible
- A new way to explore and digest the collection BUT
 - Very time consuming

Science from 1880 - 2002

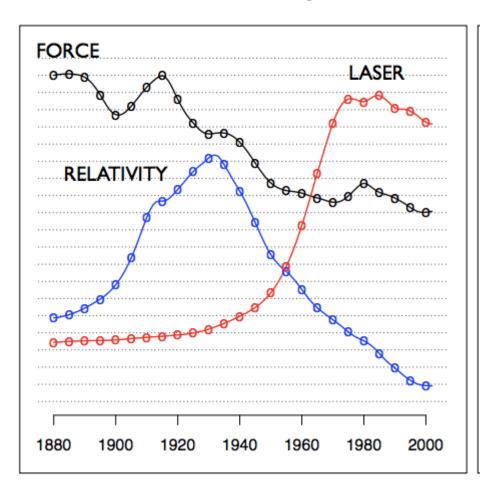
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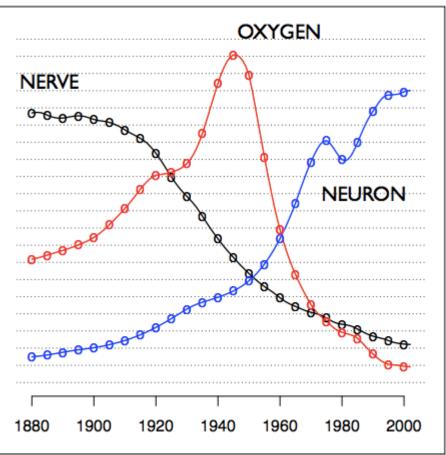




"Theoretical Physics"

"Neuroscience"





Problems of Interest

Machine Learning/ Data mining

- What topics does this text collection "span"?
- Which documents are about a particular topic?
- Who writes about a particular topic?
- How have topics changed over time?

- How to represent the "gist" of a list of words?
- How to model associations between words?

Learning Objectives

- Understand topic models
- Discuss the need for topic models
- Look at LDA
- Semantic Topic Modelling

Topic Models

- A suite of algorithms that aim to discover and annotate large archives documents with thematic information
- Topic modelling algorithms are statistical methods that analyze the words of the original texts to discover the themes that run through tem,
 - How these themes are connected to each other, and how they change over time
- They do not require any prior annotation
 - In machine learning based approach, we often use an annotated collection (in supervised methods)

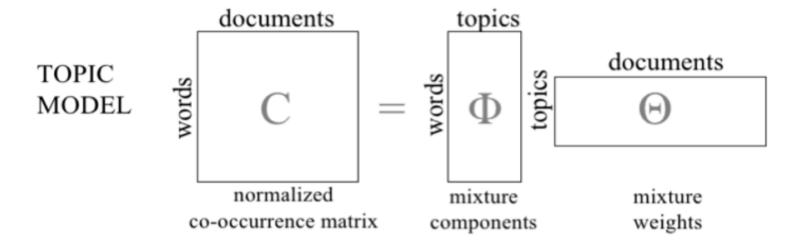
What is a topic model? Why do we need them? Do we need a training set to generate topic models?

Topic & Intuition

- Topic
 - Not predefined but mined
 - Defined as a probability distribution over the words/ fixed vocabulary
 - Still alluding to more general meaning of a theme or subject of discourse
- Intuition
 - Documents exhibit multiple topics

D Blei: Probabilistic Topic Models doi:10.1145/2133806.2133826

Topic Model



(Kozareva 2013)

Document

Seeking Life's Bare (Genetic) Necessities

Haemophilus

COLD SPRING HARBOR, NEW YORK—How many genes does an organism need to survive? Last week at the genome meeting here,* two genome researchers with radically different approaches presented complementary views of the basic genes needed for life. One research team, using computer analyses to compare known genomes, concluded that today's organisms can be sustained with just 250 genes, and that the earliest life forms

required a mere 128 genes. The other researcher mapped genes in a simple parasite and estimated that for this organism, 800 genes are plenty to do the job—but that anything short of 100 wouldn't be enough.

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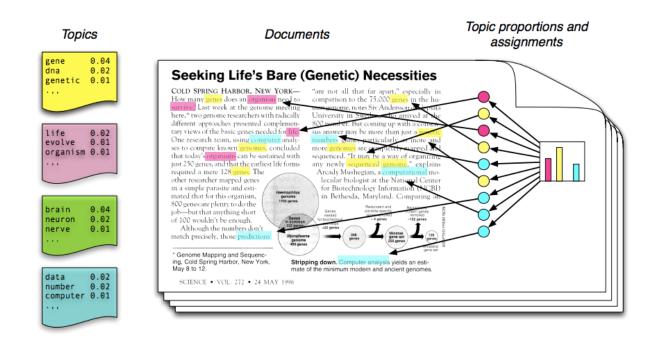


Stripping down. Computer analysis yields an estimate of the minimum modern and ancient genomes.

^{*} Genome Mapping and Sequencing, Cold Spring Harbor, New York, May 8 to 12.

Intuition behind topic models!

This article blends genetics, data analysis, and evolutionary biology in different proportions



- Each topic is a distribution over words
- Each document is a mixture of corpus-wide topics
- Each word is drawn from one of those topics

Inference

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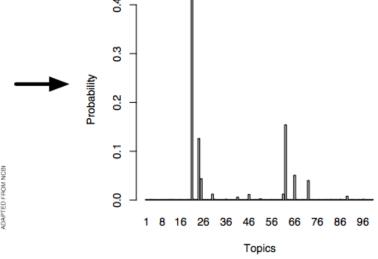
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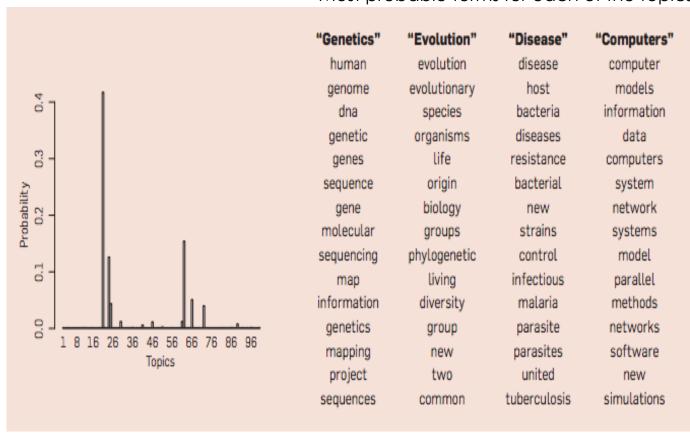


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Topic modeling algorithm to explore 17,000 articles; 100 topics assumed

Most probable terms for each of the topics



Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA)

- Is a statistical model of document collections that tries to capture this intuition
- Topic
 - Defined as a distribution over the words/ fixed vocabulary
 - E.g., genetic topic has words about genetics (sequenced, genes) with high probability
 - Evolutionary biology has words like life, organism with high probability

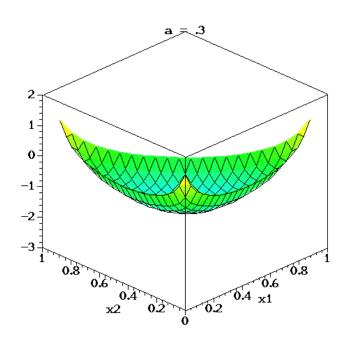
Dirichlet

- Dirichlet distributions produce probability vectors that can be used as parameters of discrete distributions
 - Mean base measure
 - т a vector
 - Values you get if you averaged many draws from the Dirichlet

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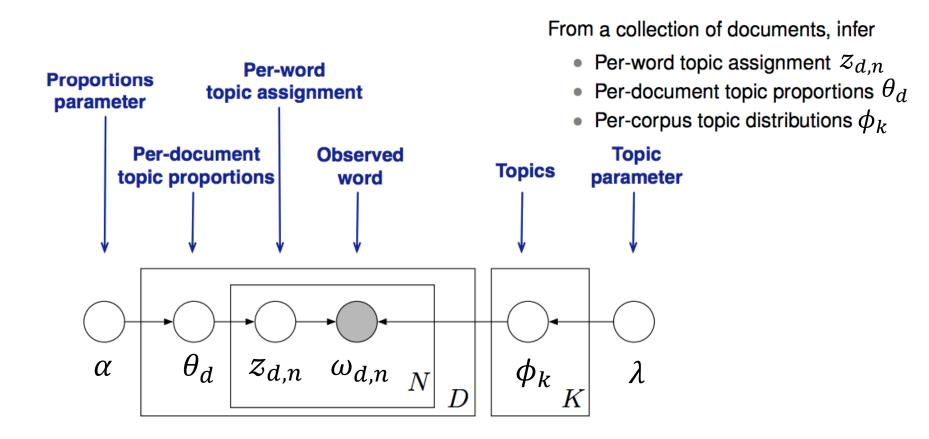
- A concentration parameter a
 - Controls how far away individuals draws are from the base measure
 - $a_k = a_0 T_k$

Dirichlet





Graphical Model



Per-Corpus Topic Distributions

- The user specifies that there are K distinct topics
 - Each of the K topics is drawn from a Dirchlet distribution with a
 - Uniform base distribution (u) and concentration parameter λ

$$f_k \sim Dir(/u)$$

Document allocations

Distributions over topics of each document

$$Q_d \sim Dir(\partial u)$$

LDA Process

- Step #1: Randomly choose a distribution over topics
- Step #2: For each word in the document
 - (#a) Randomly choose a topic from the distribution over topics in step #1
 - (#b) Randomly choose a word from the corresponding distribution in vocabulary

Topic Modelling Approaches

- Number of possible topic structures is exponentially large
- Approximate the posterior distribution
- Topic modelling algorithms form an approximation of equation, by adapting an alternative distribution over latent topic structure to be close to the true posterior

Two approaches:

1. Sampling based!

 Attempt to collect samples from the posterior to approximate it with an empirical distribution – Gibbs sampling!

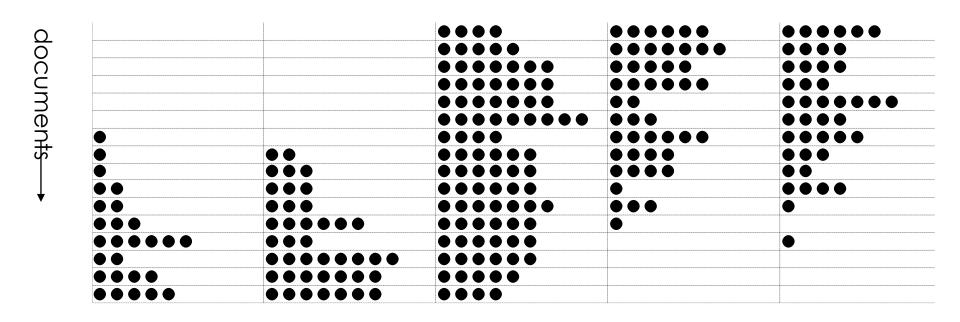
2. Variational methods!

- Deterministic alternative to sampling based methods
- Posit a parametrised family of distributions over the hidden structure and then find the member of that family that is closest to the posterior

Gibbs Sampling

- Start with random assignments of words to topics
- Repeat M iterations
 - Repeat for all words i
 - Sample a new topic assignment for word *i* conditioned on all other topic assignments

16 Artificial Documents



Can we recover the original topics and topic mixtures from this data?

Starting the Gibbs Sampling

Assign word tokens randomly to topics (●=topic 1;
 =topic 2)

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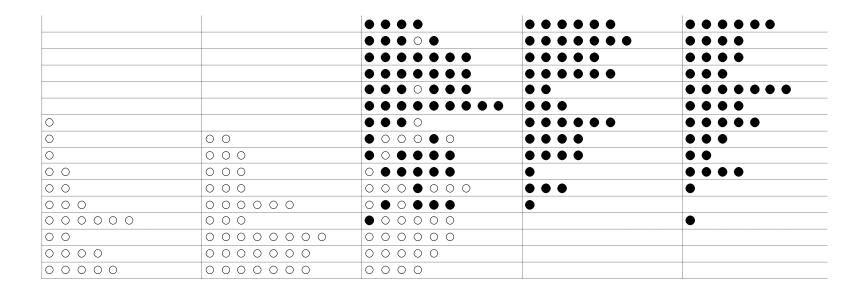
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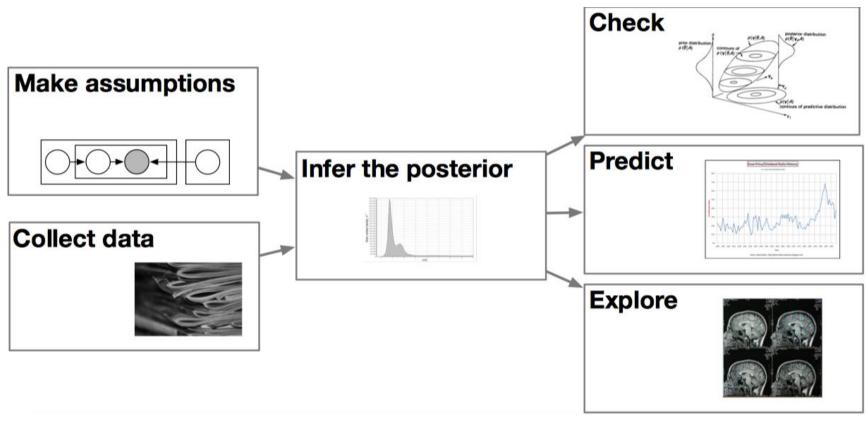
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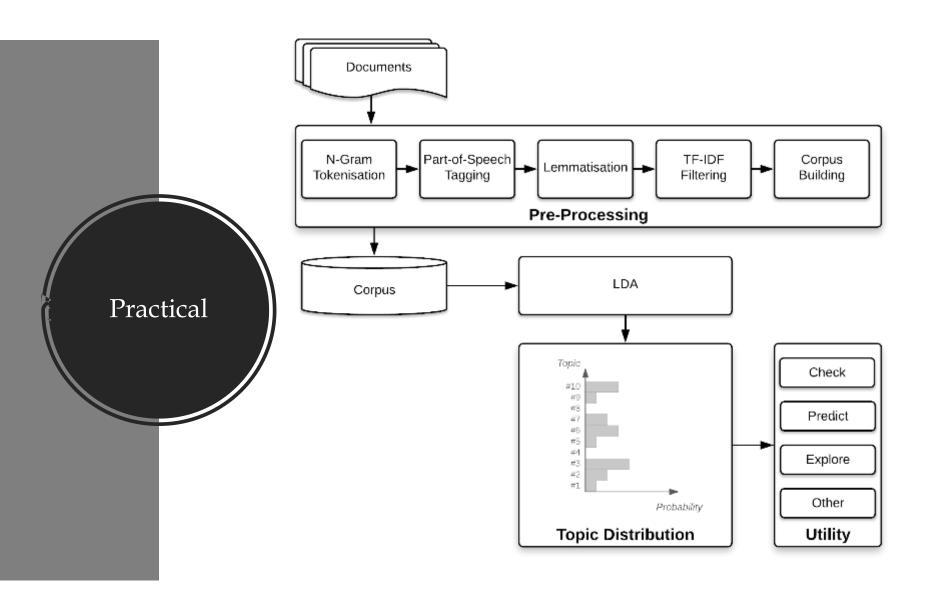
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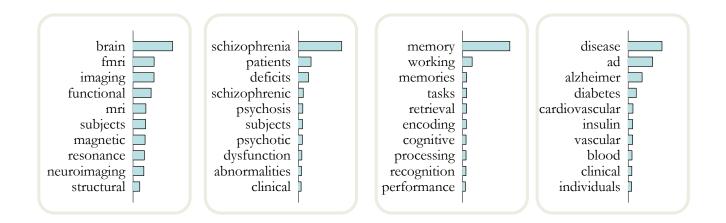
LDA in one picture



(Blei 2012)



Example Topics extracted from NIH/NSF grants



Important point: these distributions are learned in a completely automated "unsupervised" fashion from the data

Topics are like clusters of documents; however, they are distributed across the documents

Our goal in topic modelling

- The goal of topic modeling is to automatically discover the topics from a collection of documents
- Documents are observed
 - Topics, per-document, per-word topic assignments hidden
 - Hence latent!
- The central computation problem for topic modelling is to use the observed documents to infer hidden topic structure
- Think it as reversing the generative process
 - What is the hidden structure that likely generated the observed collection?

Discuss the central computation problem in topic modelling

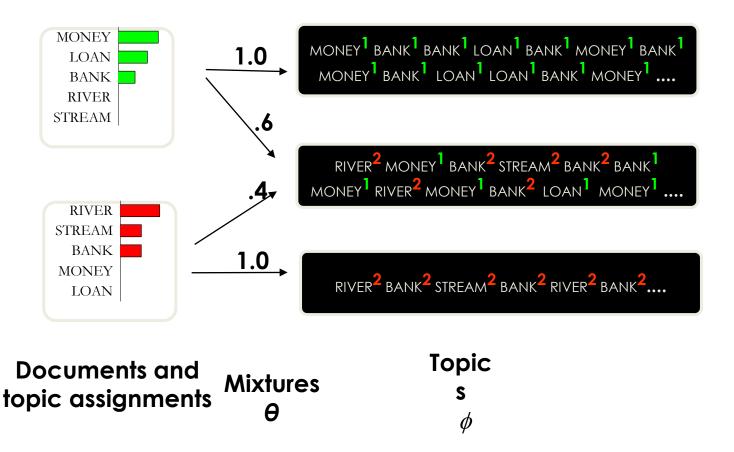
Utility of topic models

- The utility of topic models stem from the fact that the inferred hidden structure resembles the thematic structure of the collection
- inferred hidden structure
 - Annotates each document in the collection
 - Which can be used for information retrieval, classification etc.
- Topic models provide an algorithmic solution to manage, organize and annotate the large archive texts

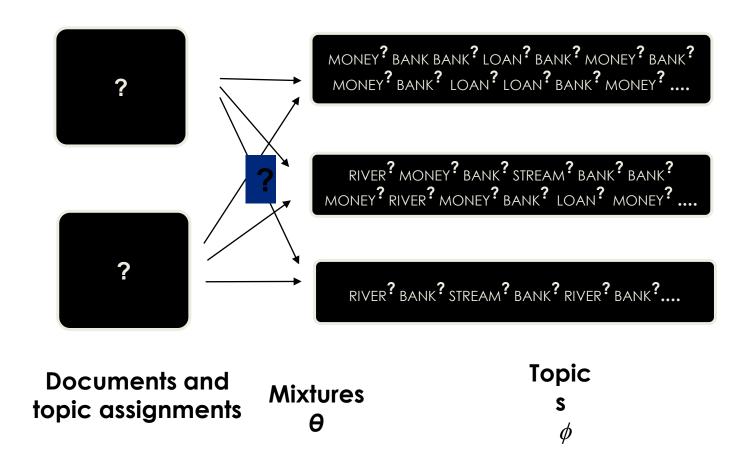
Yale Law Journal

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subsidies	employment	children	agreement
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Example of generating words



Inference



Extracting Topics from Email Conversation

20 News Groups

 From:
 PGE Name

 To:
 ALL PGE EMPLOYEES

 Date:
 8/14/01 2:54PM

 Subject:
 Jeff Skilling resigns as CEO of Enron

PGE News August 14, 2001

Jeff Skilling resigns as CEO of Enron

Enron today announced that President and CEO Jeff Skilling has resigned, effective immediately, and that the Enron Board of Directors has asked Ken Lay to resume his role as Chairman and CEO.

"Stan Horton called this affarmoon to inform me of Jeff's decision to blep down for personal reasons," says PGE CEO and President Peggy Fowler. Horton, CEO of Erron Transportation, is Fowler's executive connection to the Erron team. "He warted to the Revision that Mr. Sailings departure will not in any way impact Erron a regoing strategy for success and we should expect no near-term dramatic organizational changes."

"Clearly, Erron will continue to focus on increasing the company's stock value," Fowler added. "PGE can help in this effort by remaining committed to our Scorecard goals and operational excellence."

Below is the letter Ken Lay is sending to Enron employees this afternoon announcing the decision

To: Enron Employees Worldwide From: Ken Lay

It is with regret that I have to particular that Jeff Stilling is leaving Erron. Today, the Board of Directors accepted the reciprition as President and CQO of Erron. Jeff is resigning for personal reasons and its acceptance of the property of the CQU of Erron. Jeff is resigning for personal reasons and its acceptance for more than 15 years, including 11 first near a Erron, and have a Refer left any, protection feet afformation that was more. Less pleases of supplies that I value more. Less pleases of supplies that he has agreed to enter into a consulting arrangement with the company to odder me and the Board of Directors.

Now it's time to look forward

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CC: Kathy & George Wyatt; Kathy Wyatt

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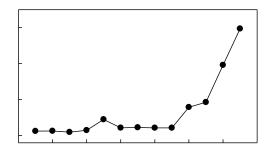
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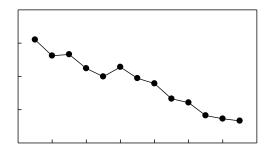
Topic trends in NIPS conference

... NN's become more popular.



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NEURAL
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NETS
ARCHITECTURE
NUMBER
FEEDFORWARD
SINGLE

SVM on the decline ...



KERNEL
SUPPORT
VECTOR
MARGIN
SVM
KERNELS
SPACE
DATA
MACHINES

What is Heterogeneous Topic Modelling?

- Discover the abstract "topics" that occur in a heterogeneous collection of documents.
 - Twitter
 - News
 - Blogs
- Mining common topics from disparate sources
 - unbiased and comprehensive topics

Challenges

- Lexical gap
- Time gap
- Inconsistent signals

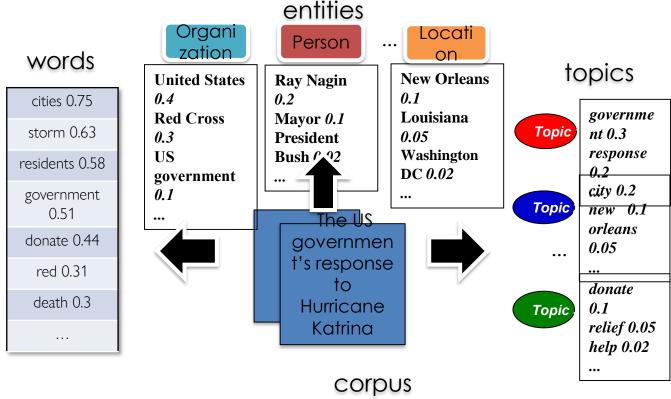
What are the challenges in discovering topics from heterogeneous streams of data?

Semantic Graph in Topic Modelling (SGMM)

- Many sources are useful
 - E.g., blogs; news; twitter;
 - How can we combine them? (semantic graph analysis in text mining for linking multiple text streams)
- Not all entities are equally important
 - E.g. person's name v.s. locations
 - How can we know which entities are more useful? (entities weighting in semantic graph)
- General methodology to model context in text
 - A unified framework for mining topics from multiple streams (Similar timestamps for similar semantic graphs)
- Many applications (search engine, information browsing)

Motivation

Making sense of documents collection



Example: Linking Entities to Knowledge Base

Doc 1: The criticism consisted Doc 2: Bush was criticized for not returning to Washington, D.C. primarily of condemnations of from his vacation in Texas until mismanagement in response to Hurricané Katrina. after Wednesday afternoon. On Specifically, there was a the morning of August 28, the president telephoned Mayor delayed response to the Nagin to "plead" for a flooding of New mandatory/evacuation of New Orleans, Louisiana. New Orleans, and Nagin and Gov. Mayor Ray Nagin was ized for fating to <u>kanco</u> decided to ev the <u>city in resp</u>onse to ht his im

"Entities" are what a large part of our knowledge is about

What Is Entity Recognition and Typing (ER)

 Identify token spans of entity mentions in text, and classify them into predefined set of types of interest

[Barack Obama] arrived this afternoon in [Washington, D.C.]. [President Obama]'s wife [Michelle] accompanied him

[TNF alpha] is produced chiefly by activated [macrophages]

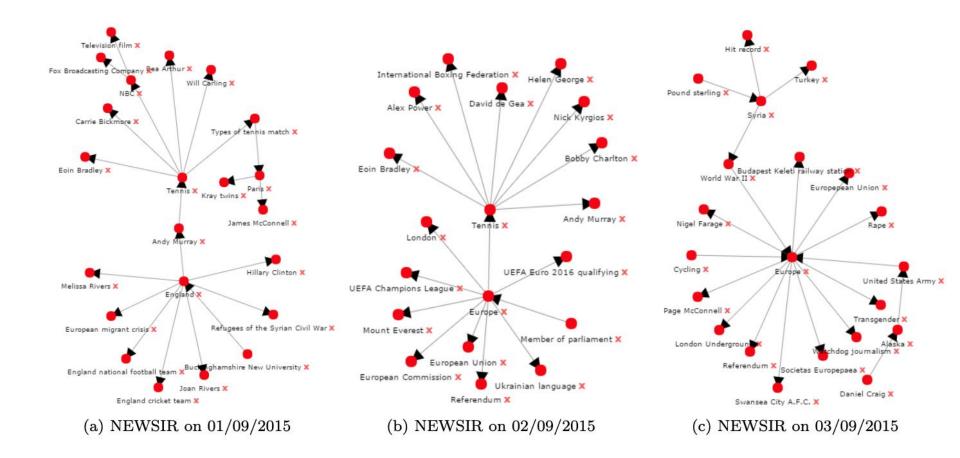
PERSON LOCATION

PROTEIN CELL

Semantic Graph Construction

- Apply Named Entity recognition tool DBpedia Spotlight.
 - 1. Remove the isolated entities
 - 2. Remove the infrequent entities (document frequency)
- Search a sub-graph of DBpedia with the entities already identified
 - put intermediate entities found along the paths into the graph.

Semantic Graphs



Local Semantic Graph

- A semantic graph is built for each timestamp
 Day 1, 2, 3, ...
- Alleviate Asynchronous communication.

How does local semantic graph address the asynchronism between channels of data?

Global Semantic Graph

- A semantic graph is built over the entire corpus
- Bridge Lexical gap

Discuss the role of global semantic graph in topic modelling

Semantic Graph in Topic Modelling (SGMM)

- Biased propagation
 - Textual information
 - Semantic information
- Focus on entities
 - Topic distribution of an entity is computed
 - By average topic distribution of connected documents
 - Connected entities of the semantic graph
- then topic distribution of a document is then biased propagation of topic distribution its content and those of the entity based topic distribution

Baselines

- SMM: simple mixture model
 - The baseline approach that simply merges multiple streams and then apply topic model
- CCMM: cross collection mixture model
 - The state-of-the-art approach that distinguish common topics from local topics and structure asynchronous streams with a background language model
 - Drawbacks:
 - It assumes a shared time distribution
 - Word-level analysis
- SGMM: The semantic graph based mixture model

Long Chen, Joemon M. Jose, Haitao Yu, Fajie Yuan: A Semantic Graph-Based Approach for Mining Common Topics from Multiple Asynchronous Text Streams. WWW 2017: 1201-1209

Dataset

• Experiments conducted on two real-world datasets:

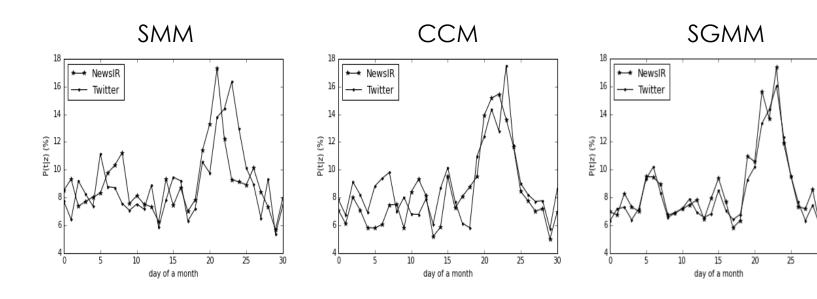
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# of entities (global)	473,122	228,502
# of links (local) docs	653,291	486,435
# of links (global) docs	1279,639	874,832

Experimental Results

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	wallabies	rugby	europe	welcome	open	<u>uk</u>	chief	england	leader	trident

Experimental Results



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Summary

- Discussed
 - Topic modelling/LDA
 - a novel semantic graph based topic model (SGMM)
- It supersedes the existing ones since:
 - 1. homogeneous networks (i.e., entity to entity relations)
 - 2. heterogeneous networks (i.e., entity to document relations)
 - 3. both local and global representation of documents

Software

- Entity Recognition
 - Tagme: https://github.com/shangjingbo1226/SegPhrase
 - Dbpedia Spotlight: https://github.com/dbpedia-spotlight
- Dbpedia Dataset: http://oldwiki.dbpedia.org/Downloads2014/
- NewsIR: https://webscope.sandbox.yahoo.com/
- SGMM: https://github.com/long4glasgow/Semantic-Mixture-Model

Summary

- Data streaming systems
 - Twitter and social aspects
 - Technology
 - Event detection
- Making Sense
 - Crowd sourcing
 - Event detection evaluation
- Core Science
 - Emotion
 - Knowledge graph
 - Topic modelling
- Exploitation
 - Digital Marking

Project Presentation

- Tuesday 26th November 2019
- Group Presentation:
 - 5-Minute Presentation (Strict)
 - Design Architecture for Twitter Crawling
 - Basic Analytics of Crawled Tweets
 - Advanced Analytics of Crawled Tweets
 - Solution Design
 - Results
 - Discussion and Findings
 - 3-Minute Q&A