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A similarity-based recommendation system of research papers

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1.

Keyword-based rankings can be influenced by changing the way you write the text

Statistical natural language processing «统计自然语言处理»

X Zhang - 2014 - JSTOR

... As an encyclopaedic resource on statistical approaches to **natural language processing** (NLP), the content of the second edition of Zong's (2008) Statistical **Natural Language Processing** (henceforth SNLP2) has some overlap with classic **NLP** textbooks such as Foundations of ...

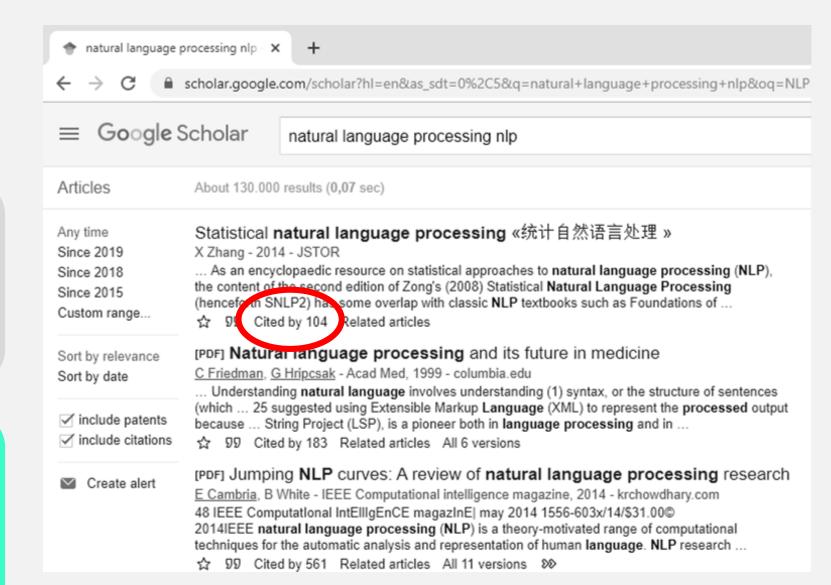
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Ranks now also rely on citations and other metrics



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But how do we measure similarity?
Similarity is also a challenging problem:
Subjective task
Unsupervised task

Process outline

33510 papers (ID, title, and abstract)

from arXiv.org

keyword [machine learning]



Process outline

Pre-processing

- Remove equations, references
- Remove LaTeX formatting tags
- Remove stop words
- Lemmatization
- Identify bigrams/trigrams
- Sentence-level tokenization
- Document-level tokenization

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Topic modelling

- Latent Dirichlet Allocation
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Broad topics

6k to 9k papers

[Learn,
Propose,
Method,
Approach,
Information,
Data,
Prediction]

Well-defined topics

200 to 700 papers

[Bayesian, Likelihood, Inference, Markov]

Very specific topics

10 to 60 papers

[Adversarial,
Attack,
Robust,
Adversary,
Threat]

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Embeddings

Paragraph Embeddings (Doc2Vec)

Pairwise cosine similarity between vector representations (embeddings) of each document

Distributed Memory version

The cat jumped on the sofa

http://arxiv.org/abs/1903.00553v2

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Adversarial attacks on neural networks for graph data

Deep learning models for graphs have achieved strong performance for the task of node classification. Despite their proliferation, currently there is no study of their robustness to adversarial attacks. yet, in domains where they are likely to be used, e.g. the web, adversaries are common. Can deep learning models for graphs be easily fooled? in this work, we introduce the first study of adversarial attacks on attributed graphs, specifically focusing on models exploiting ideas of graph convolutions. in addition to attacks at test time, we tackle the more challenging class of poisoning-causative attacks...

Bayesian optimization for dynamic problems

We propose practical extensions to bayesian optimization for solving dynamic problems. we model dynamic objective functions using spatiotemporal gaussian process priors which capture all the instances of the functions over time. our extensions to bayesian optimization use the information learnt from this model to guide the tracking of a temporally evolving minimum. by exploiting temporal correlations, the proposed method also determines when to make evaluations, how fast to make those evaluations, and it induces an appropriate budget of steps based on the available information. lastly, we evaluate our technique on synthetic and real-world problems.

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Batched high-dimensional bayesian optimization via structural kernel learning

Optimization of high-dimensional black-box functions is an extremely challenging problem. while bayesian optimization has emerged as a popular approach for optimizing black-box functions, its applicability has been limited to low-dimensional problems due to its computational and statistical challenges arising from high-dimensional settings. [...]performing multiple evaluations in parallel to reduce the number of iterations required by the method. our novel approach learns the latent structure with gibbs sampling and constructs batched queries using determinantal point processes. experimental validations on both synthetic and real-world functions ...

An Empirical-Bayes Score for Discrete Bayesian Networks

Bayesian network structure learning is often performed in a Bayesian setting, by evaluating candidate structures using their posterior probabilities for a given data set. Score-based algorithms then use those posterior probabilities as an objective function and return the maximum a posteriori network as the learned model. For discrete Bayesian networks, the canonical choice for a posterior score is the Bayesian Dirichlet equivalent uniform (BDeu) marginal likelihood with a uniform (U) graph prior (Heckerman et al., 1995). Its favourable theoretical properties descend from assuming a uniform prior both on the space of the network structures and on the space of the parameters of the network. In this paper, we revisit the limitations of these assumptions; and we introduce an alternative set of assumptions and the resulting score: the Bayesian Dirichlet sparse (BDs) empirical Bayes marginal likelihood with a marginal uniform (MU) graph prior. We evaluate its performance in an extensive simulation study, showing that MU+BDs is more accurate than U+BDeu both in learning the structure of the network and in predicting new observations, while not being computationally more complex to estimate.

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Conclusions

LDA improved with combination of title + abstract

Doc2Vec and LDA can be used to detect similar papers

They are more powerful together

Doc2Vec identifies plagiarism/copies

Dataset needs to be larger



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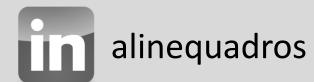
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