Language Model Setup

- Data: Document $d = x_1 x_2 ... x_{|d|}$, $x_i \in V = \{w_1, ..., w_M\}$ is a word
- Model: Unigram LM θ (=topic) : { θ_i =p(w_i | θ)}, i=1, ..., M; θ_1 +...+ θ_M =1
- Likelihood function: $p(d \mid \theta) = p(x_1 \mid \theta) \times ... \times p(x_{|d|} \mid \theta)$ $= p(w_1 \mid \theta)^{c(w_1,d)} \times ... \times p(w_M \mid \theta)^{c(w_M,d)}$ $= \prod_{i=1}^{M} p(w_i \mid \theta)^{c(w_i,d)} = \prod_{i=1}^{M} \theta_i^{c(w_i,d)}$
- ML estimate: $(\hat{\theta}_1,...,\hat{\theta}_M) = \arg\max_{\theta_1,...,\theta_M} p(d \mid \theta) = \arg\max_{\theta_1,...,\theta_M} \prod_{i=1}^M \theta_i^{c(w_i,d)}$