

Sparsity of documents

$$p(\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{Z}, \Theta) = \prod_{d=1}^D p(\theta_d) \prod_{n=1}^{N_d} p(z_{dn} | \theta_d) p(w_{dn} | z_{dn})$$

$$p(\theta_d) \sim \text{Dir}(\alpha)$$

$\alpha \uparrow \Rightarrow$ **More** topics for each document

$\alpha \downarrow \Rightarrow$ **Less** topics for each document

α can be selected as $p(W|\alpha) \rightarrow \max_{\alpha}$

