

# USING AI FOR PROVIDING INSIGHTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON ACTIVITY DATA

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- Salesforce introduction
- Inbox and email data
- Pricing request classifier pipeline
  - o Labeling
  - Feature generation
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\$2.39B Q1 FY18 revenue

25K employees

\$389B in GDP impact by 2020

2M jobs created by 2020

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### What sorts of emails do salespeople receive?

- Emails from customers
- o Meeting requests, pricing requests, competitor mentioned, etc.
- Emails from coworkers
- Marketing emails
- Newsletters
- Telecom, Spotify, iTunes, Amazon purchases
- Etc

#### Pricing requests

We want to identify pricing requests from customers

Hey Ascander,

How much would it cost to add ten seats to the plan?

Thanks, Gabe Hello Eddie,

Can you send me that really important document?

Thanks, Alexis Welcome to Spotify!

Your new subscription is active.

Enjoy the music.



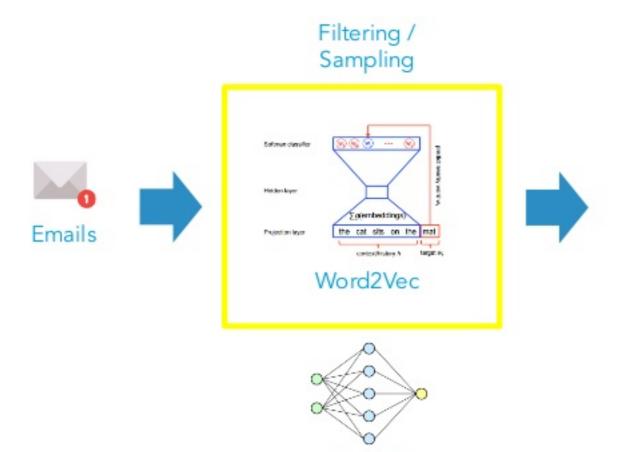
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### Data labeling pipeline

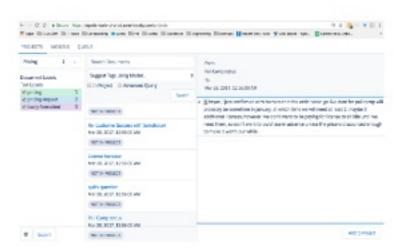






GraphX

#### Labeling tool



Labeled Training Data



#### Data used

Billions of emails that we process over time

~2.5 million internal emails that we have anonymized and have explicit permission to label

#### Structure of an email

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SIGNATURE	Thanks,  Noah Bergman Engineer at Salesforce (123) 456-7890
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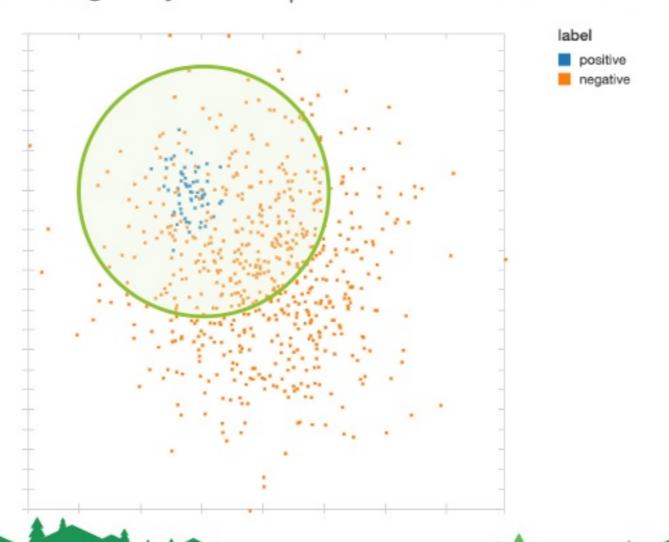
### Labeling data

- No labels, and currently no mechanism to infer labels
- Pricing requests are very important, but relatively rare events
- Emails are sensitive can't mechanical turk

Hand-labeling impractical

### Labeling data – high-recall filter

How can we get a higher yield of positive labels when labeling by hand?



### Labeling data – high-recall filter

How do we build this green circle?

- Relationship graph (GraphX)
- Word2Vec

### Labeling data – Word2Vec

What would be the total cost of a ...

How much would it cost to add ten seats to the plan?

Does it **cost** a lot of <u>money</u> to ...

Neural network that finds words similar to cost based on the context that it appears in

#### Labeling data – Word2Vec

- Train Word2Vec on unlabeled emails
- find words close in distance to "price", "cost", "license", etc

### Things we calculated after we got labels

Performance of this filter

Our original dataset was 0.17% positive labels

 Graph + Word2Vec reduced our dataset to 2% of its original size, and increased the positive label rate to 11.2%, with a recall of 0.93

We've introduced some bias, but hand-labeling is now tractable!

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Names, monetary values and phone numbers are noisy

```
word2VecModel.findSynonyms("cost", 5)
```

```
$10
price
$85/month
$19.99
$15,000/year
```

"Let's meet with Ascander on Friday to discuss the \$10,000/year rate.

Ascander's phone number is (123) 456-7890."

"Let's meet with NAME on Friday to discuss the MONEY rate. NAME phone number is PHONE\_NUMBER."

word2VecModel.findSynonyms("cost", 5)

MONEY price license nominal budget

### Interleaving ngrams with unigrams

```
interleaveNGrams("hello my name is sammy", 2)
```

produces:

"hello hello-my my my-name name-is is is-sammy sammy"

```
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MONEY-per-month price-of license month-to-month price

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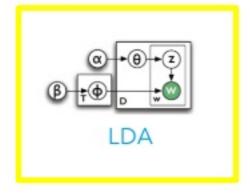
#### Generating feature vectors and model training



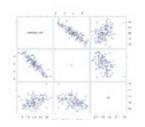
Feature Engineering



Text Processing / TF-IDF

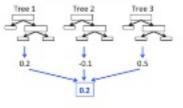


#### Model Training





#### Ensemble Model: example for regression

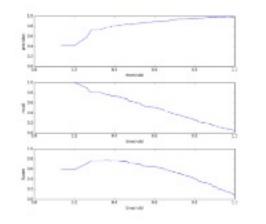


#### Model Evaluation

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area under RDC purve: 8.86 area under PR curve: 8.86





#### Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA)

takes a collection of text documents and seeks to group them by topic

LDA on Wikipedia corpus yields:

Topic 1		Topic 2		Topic 3		Topic 4		Topic 5	
president	0.026	district	0.057	world	0.042	company	0.038	airport	0.031
state	0.015	village	0.048	gold	0.036	business	0.017	aircraft	0.019
member	0.011	population	0.038	championships	0.028	management	0.009	engine	0.018
committee	0.011	bar	0.034	silver	0.028	services	0.008	convert	0.016
served	0.010	municipality	0.030	bronze	0.013	companies	0.008	air	0.016

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#### A document is a probability distribution over topics

Boeing: mixture of topics 4 and 5

Air Force One: mixture of topics 1 and 5

#### LDA

- Cannot (well, very hard to) select topics you want to identify in advance
- Can't know what each topic is

Instead, include the entire topic distribution in the feature vector

### Improving the topics identified by LDA

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#### INTRO

**BODY** 

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REPLY CHAIN

- Common information blends topics together
- Reply chains add topics and oversample

In the past, we've identified "Sent from my iPhone" as a topic!

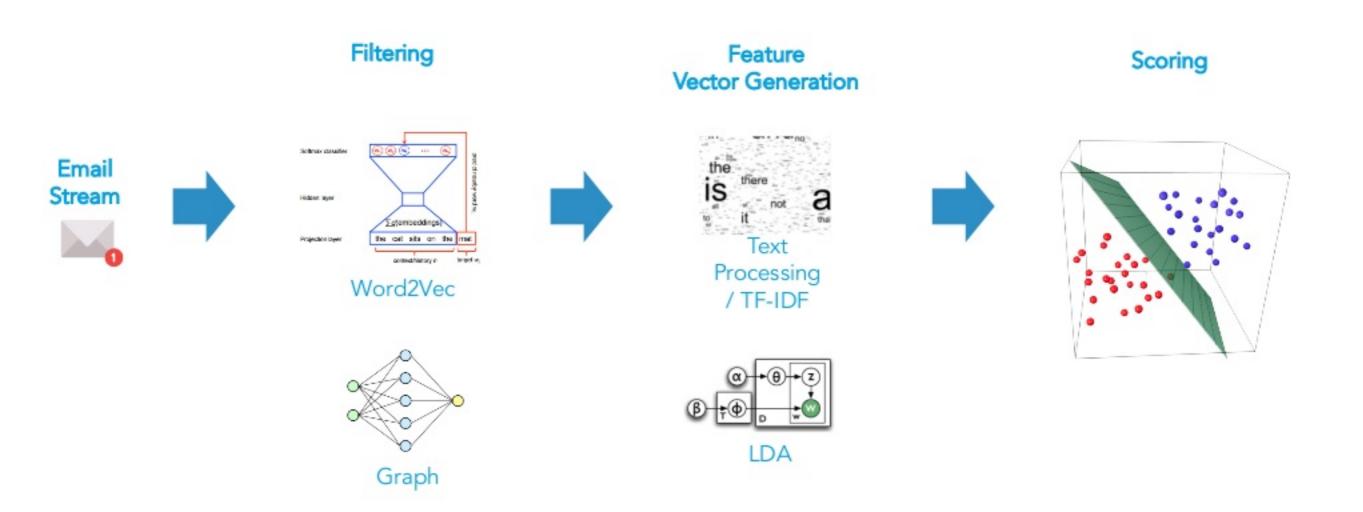
#### Upcoming improvements

- Investigate alternative methods of computing n-gram word vectors
- Use labeled data to generate high-recall filter
- Factor in user feedback

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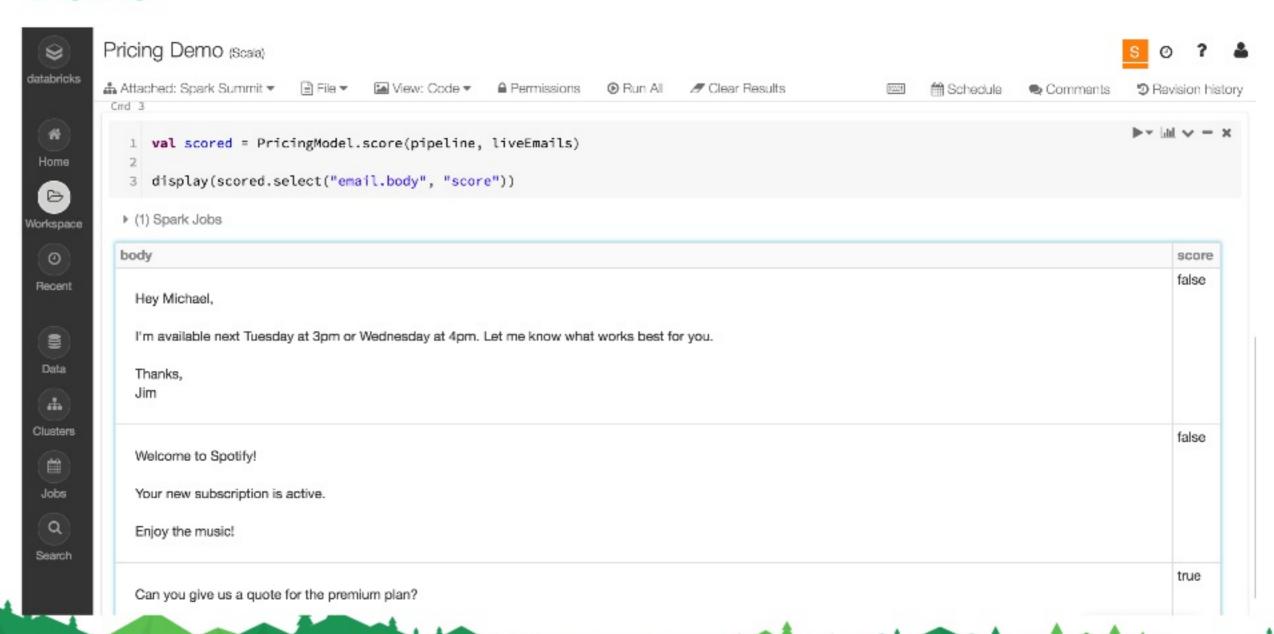


### Scoring pipeline

```
val vectorizer: Dataset[Email] => DataFrame =
    ngramPipeline.transform _ andThen
    ldaPipeline.transform andThen
    assembler.transform
```

```
val featureVectors = vectorizer(emails)
val scored = model.transform(featureVectors)
```

#### Demo



#### Some lessons learned

- High-recall filter
- Normalizing tokens
- Interleaving n-grams with unigrams
- Extracting bodies
- Filtering out reply chains
- ML pipeline



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