#### **BristolR Meetup**

# Not A Gay Cowboy Movie? Topic Modelling on Movie Summaries

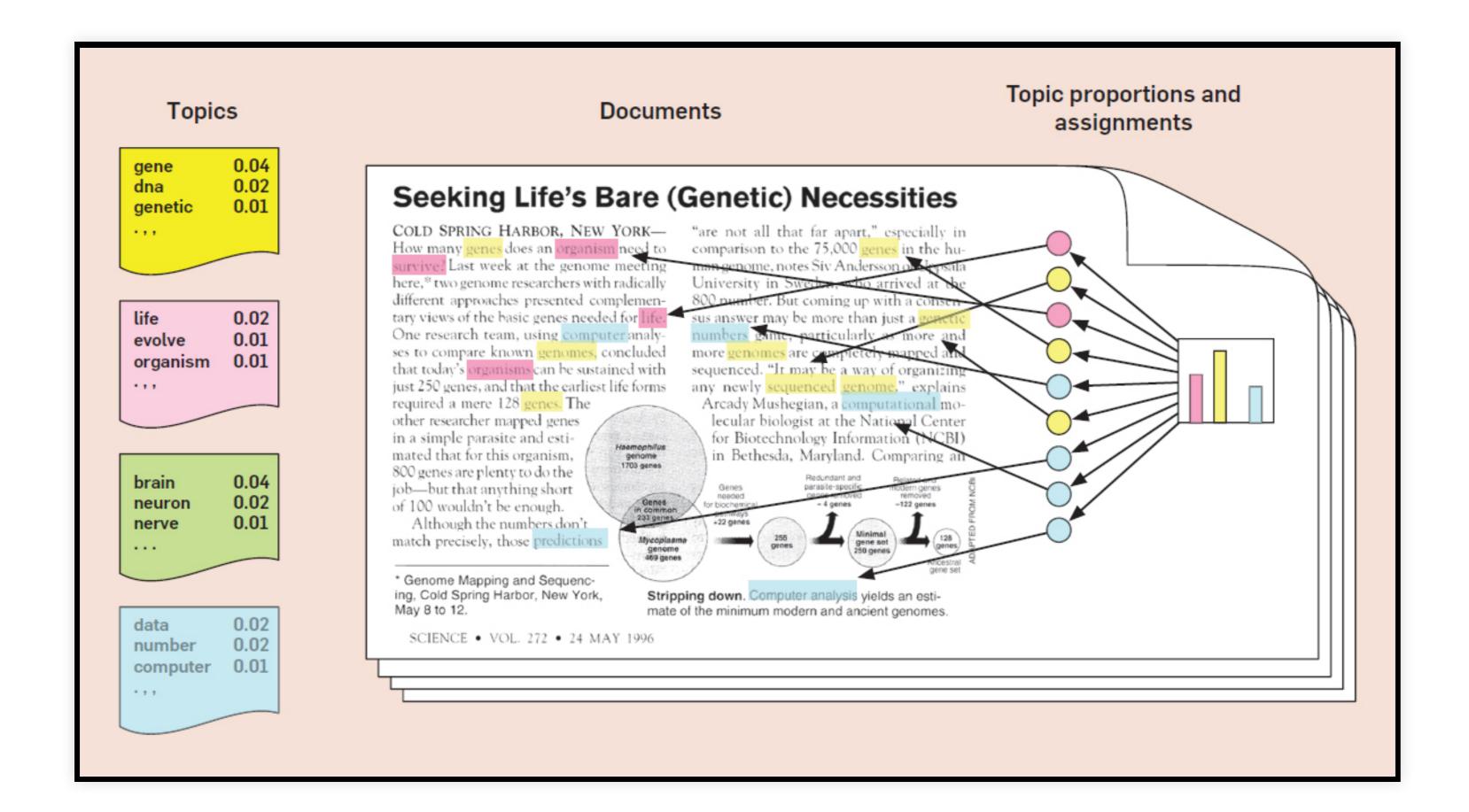
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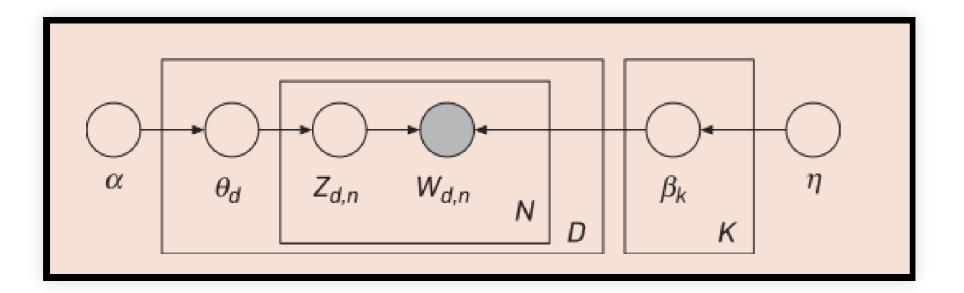
#### Definition



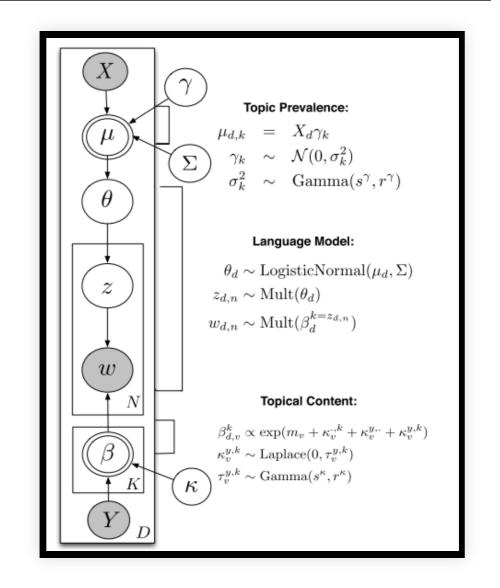


#### Variables - The Science Bit

LDA









#### Model estimation

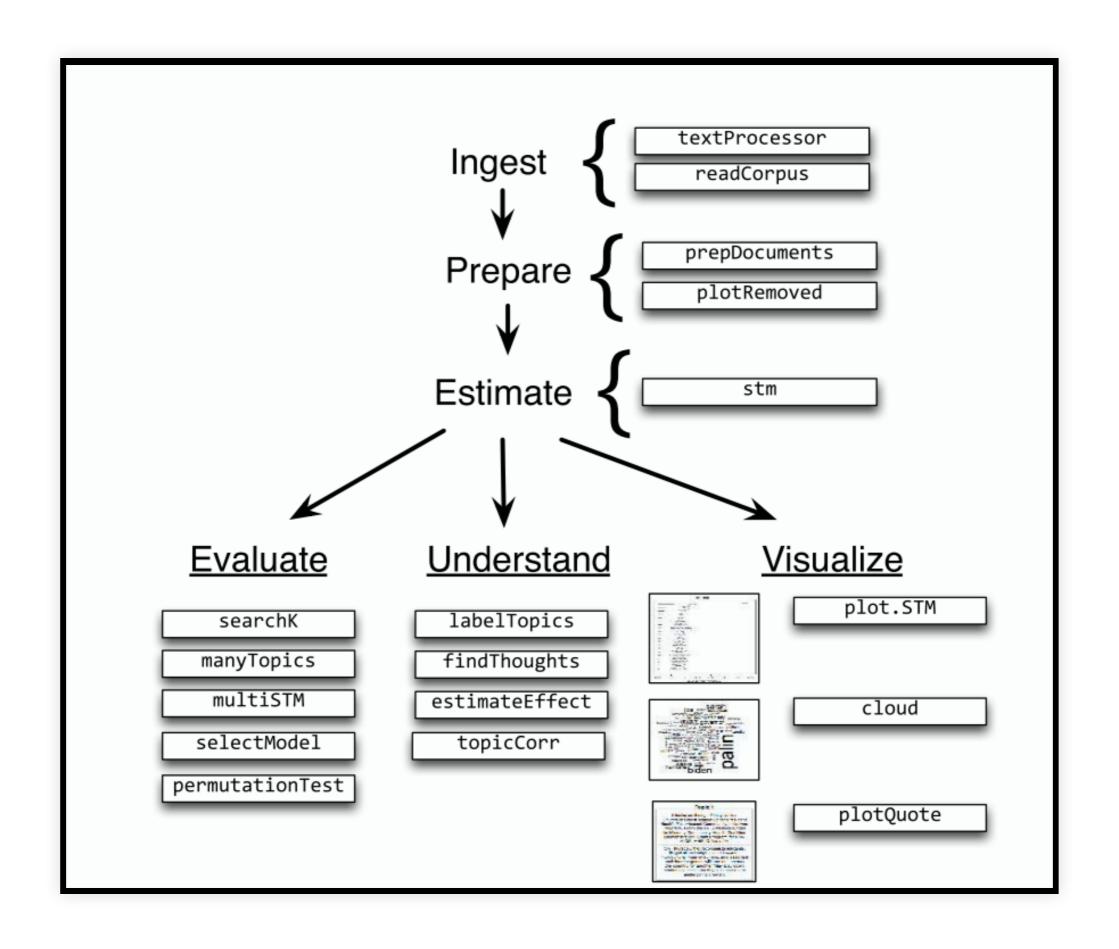
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#### (Animation Aside - ggplot + gganimate)



#### STM Workflow





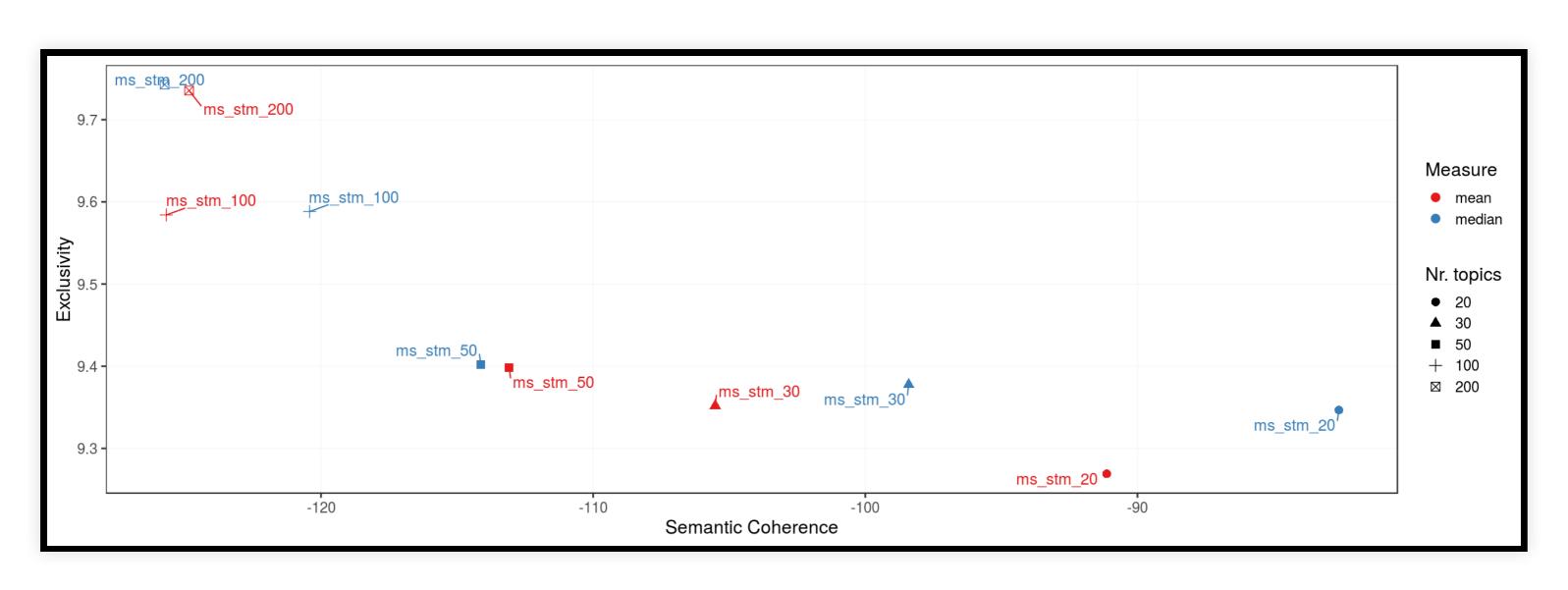
#### Data

CMU Movie Summary Corpus, 42k movie plot summaries extracted from Wikipedia + aligned metadata from Freebase (Wikidata) http://www.cs.cmu.edu/~ark/personas/

title	summary	release	scifi	bollywood
The Hunger Games	The nation of Panem consists of a wealthy Capitol	2012	1	0
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Narasimham	Poovalli Induchoodan is sentenced for six years p	2000	0	1
The Lemon Drop	The Lemon Drop Kid , a New York City swindler, is	1951	0	0
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#### How many topics?





#### Modelling



#### Genres

Linking topic distribution to document level classification





### Stagecoach (1939)





#### Brokeback Mountain (2006)

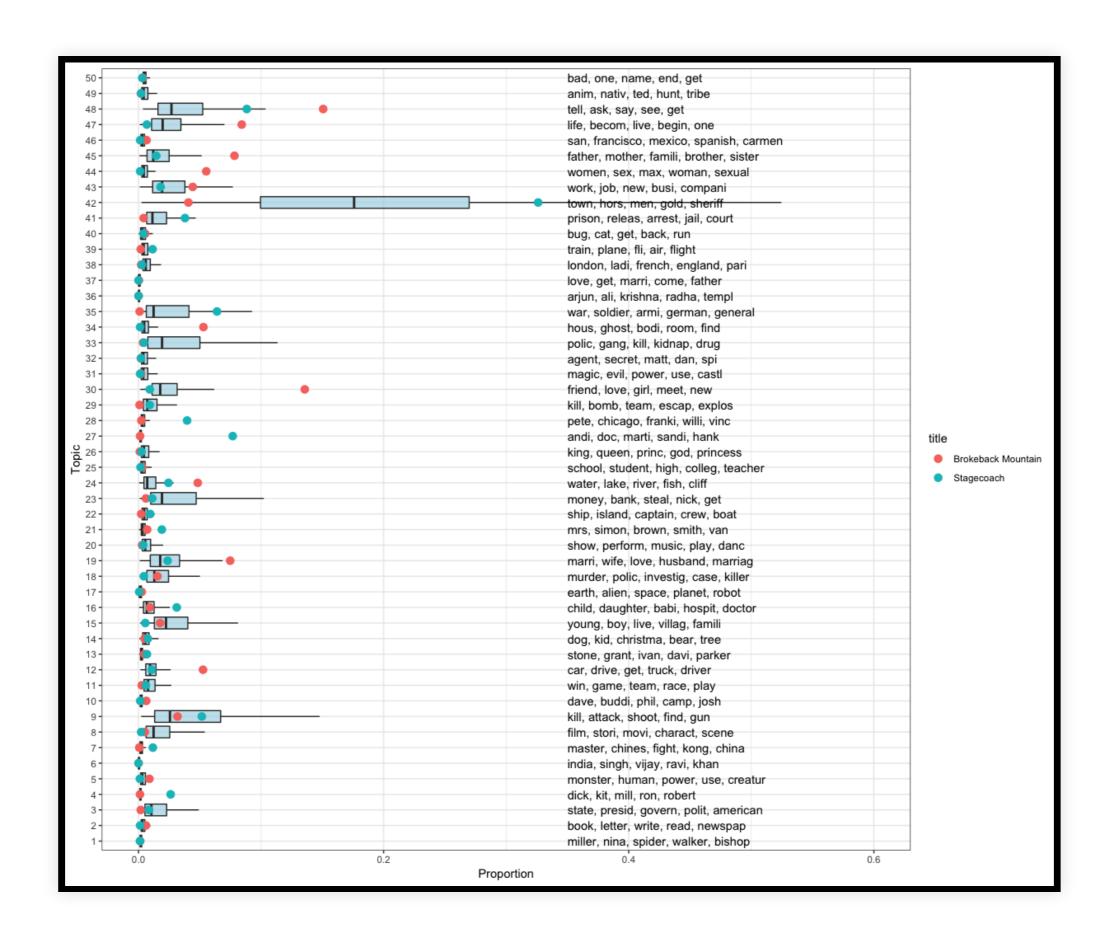




#### Westerns - Topic Signature



#### Topic Distribution - Westerns





#### Road Movies





#### Topic Distribution - Road Movies



#### Road Movie Identification?

```
rm median <- cbind(ms prepped$meta, ms stm 50$theta) %>% filter(genre.Road.movie == TRUE) %>%
  melt(id.vars=c("id", "title"), measure.vars=c(374:(373 + 50))) %>% group by(variable) %>% summarise(med proporti
# Calc distances for Road Movies
rm dist <- cbind(ms prepped$meta, ms stm 50$theta) %>% filter(genre.Road.movie == TRUE & nchar(summary) > 2000) %>
  melt(id.vars=c("id", "title"), measure.vars=c(374:(373 + 50))) %>% arrange(id, variable) %>%
  cbind(rm median[,2]) %>% mutate(dist=((med proportion-value)^2) * med proportion) %>%
  group by(id, title) %>% summarise(distance=sum(dist)) %>% arrange(distance) %>% head(20)
# Distances for all others
non rmdist <- cbind(ms prepped$meta, ms stm 50$theta) %>% filter(genre.Road.movie == FALSE & nchar(summary) > 2000
  melt(id.vars=c("id", "title"), measure.vars=c(374:(373 + 50))) %>% arrange(id, variable) %>%
  cbind(rm median[,2]) %>% mutate(dist=((med proportion-value)^2) * med proportion) %>%
  group by(id, title) %>% summarise(distance=sum(dist)) %>% arrange(distance) %>% head(20)
rm table <- cbind(rm dist, non rmdist) %>% select(title, distance, title1, distance1) %>%
  rename ("In road movie genre"=title, "Distance from median"=distance, "Not in genre"=title1, "Distance from media
```



#### Road Movie Identification?

id	In road movie genre	Distance from median	Not in genre	Distance
20927392	My Name is Khan	0.0002774	Gadar: Ek Prem Katha	0.0001569
22216	O Brother, Where Art Thou?	0.0004099	Alien from L.A.	0.0002011
167303	A Canterbury Tale	0.0004282	The Stepford Children	0.0002023
7047921	Little Miss Sunshine	0.0004370	Arthur and the Vengeance of Maltazard	0.0002227
238906	Blues Brothers 2000	0.0004389	Wake in Fright	0.0002234
13473149	Singh Is Kinng	0.0004441	Hum Ek Hain	0.0002239
163457	The Last Detail	0.0004475	Kim Possible: A Sitch in Time	0.0002369
4198757	Space Truckers	0.0004552	Cat's Eye	0.0002408
73402	Sullivan's Travels	0.0004688	Just Imagine	0.0002422
17786854	Five Dollars a Day	0.0005223	The Petrified Forest	0.0002457
6238106	The Darjeeling Limited	0.0005426	Stand by Me	0.0002603
583758	Cannonball Run II	0.0005559	The Business	0.0002629
873029	To Wong Foo, Thanks for Everything! Julie Newmar	0.0005862	Role Models	0.0002631



### Wake in Fright (1971)

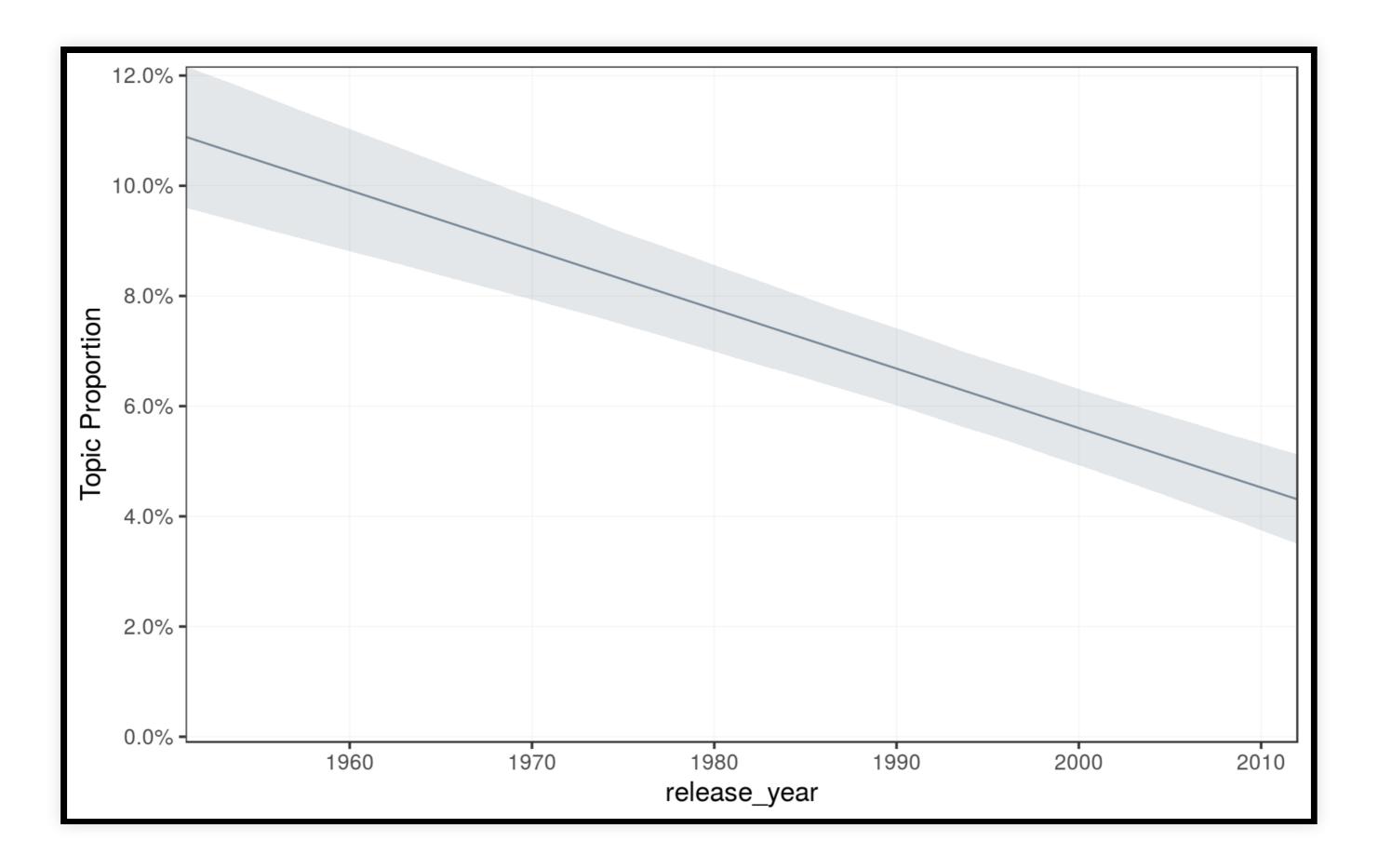




# Topics over time (K=20) - Party



#### Topics over time (K=20) - War





## Finale: Little Miss Sunshine (2006)

