Unsupervised Clustering

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Outline

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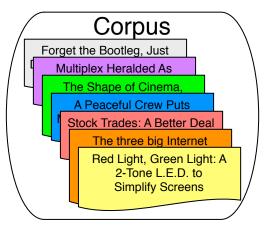
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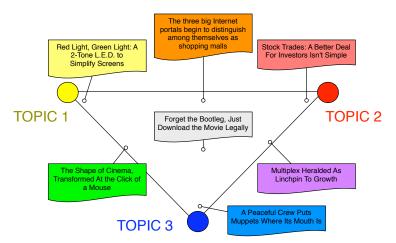
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For each document, what topics are expressed by that document?



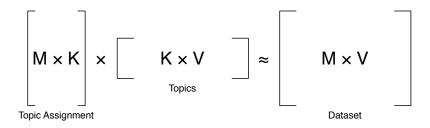
Topics from *Science*

human genome	evolution evolutionary	disease host	computer models
$_{ m dna}$	species	bacteria	information
genetic	organisms	diseases	data
genes	life	resistance	computers
sequence	origin	bacterial	system
gene	biology	new	network
molecular	groups	strains	systems
sequencing	phylogenetic	control	model
map	living	infectious	parallel
information	diversity	malaria	methods
genetics	group	parasite	networks
mapping	new	parasites	software
project	two	united	new
sequences	common	tuberculosis	simulations

Why should you care?

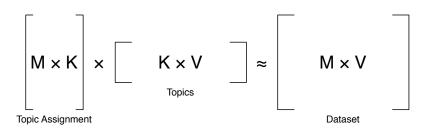
- Neat way to explore / understand corpus collections
 - E-discovery
 - Social media
 - Scientific data
- NLP Applications
 - POS Tagging [9]
 - Word Sense Disambiguation [2]
 - Word Sense Induction [3]
 - Discourse Segmentation [8]
- Psychology [5]: word meaning, polysemy
- Inference is (relatively) simple

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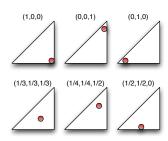
- If you use singular value decomposition (SVD), this technique is called latent semantic analysis.
- Popular in information retrieval.

Alternative: Generative Model

- How your data came to be
- Sequence of Probabilistic Steps
- Posterior Inference

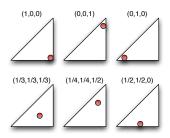
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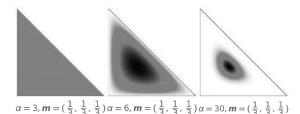
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Come from a Dirichlet distribution

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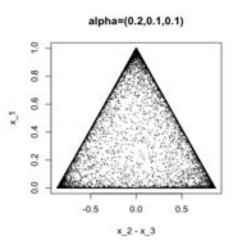
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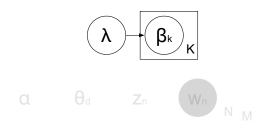
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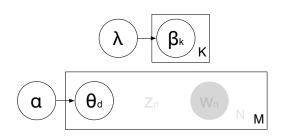
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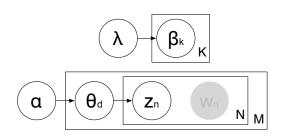
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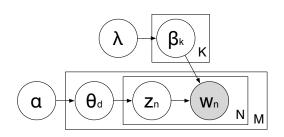
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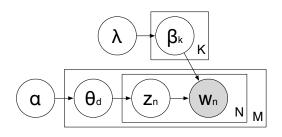
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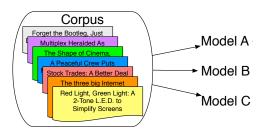
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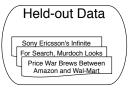
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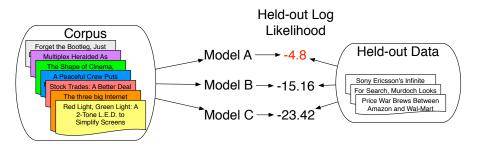




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Measures predictive power, not what the topics are

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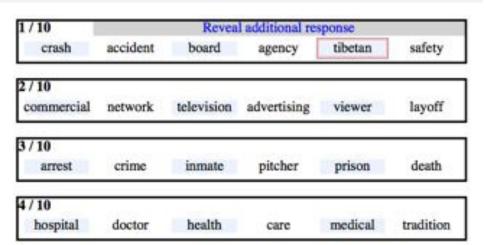
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We ask users to find the word that doesn't belong

Hypothesis

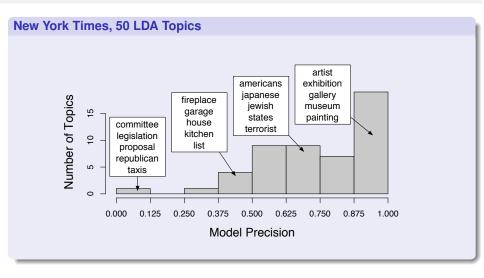
If the topics are interpretable, users will consistently choose true intruder

1 / 10 crash	accident	board	agency	tibetan	safety
2 / 10 commercial	network	television	advertising	viewer	layoff
3 / 10 arrest	crime	inmate	pitcher	prison	death
4 / 10 hospital	doctor	health	care	medical	tradition



- Order of words was shuffled
- Which intruder was selected varied
- Model precision: percentage of users who clicked on intruder

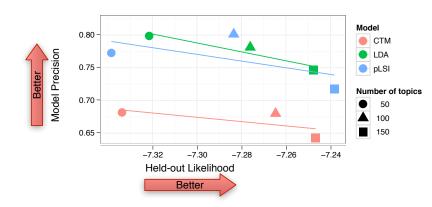
Word Intrusion: Which Topics are Interpretable?



Model Precision: percentage of correct intruders found

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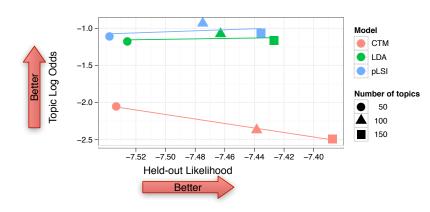
Model Precision on New York Times



within a model, higher likelihood \neq higher interpretability

Interpretability and Likelihood

Topic Log Odds on Wikipedia



across models, higher likelihood \neq higher interpretability

Evaluation Takeaway

- Measure what you care about [4]
- If you care about prediction, likelihood is good
- If you care about a particular task, measure that

Gibbs Sampling

- A way to go from random topics (i.e., bad) to good topics (i.e., ones that make sense)
- We do this by changing the topic assignment of a word $z_{d,n}$
- Given a state $\{z_1, \ldots z_N\}$, drawing $z_n \sim p(n_n|z_1, \ldots z_{n-1}, z_{n+1}, \ldots z_N, X, \Theta)$ for all n (repeatedly) results in the distribution of topics **given documents**.
- For notational convenience, call **z** with $z_{d,n}$ removed $z_{-d,n}$

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And repeat, conditioning $z_{d,n}$ on all of the other assignments

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• Let $n_{d,i}$ be the number of words taking topic i in document d. Let $v_{k,w}$ be the number of times word w is used in topic k.

$$= \frac{n_{d,k} + \alpha_k}{\sum_{i}^{K} n_{d,i} + \alpha_i} \frac{v_{k,w_{d,n}} + \lambda_{w_{d,n}}}{\sum_{i} v_{k,i} + \lambda_i}$$

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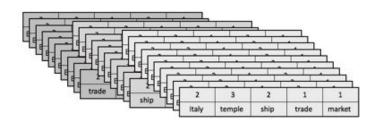


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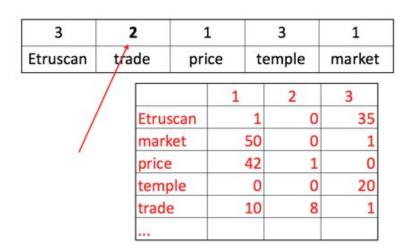
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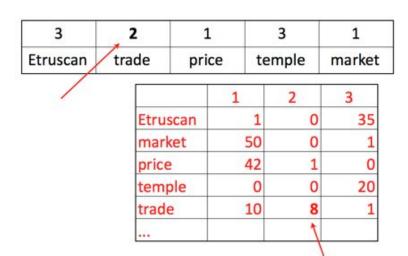
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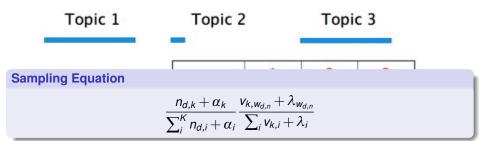
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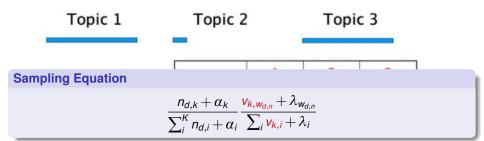
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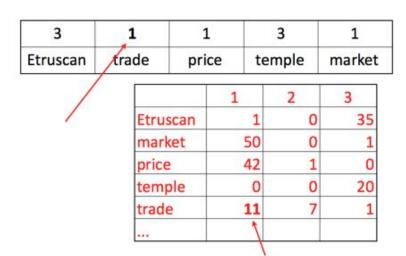


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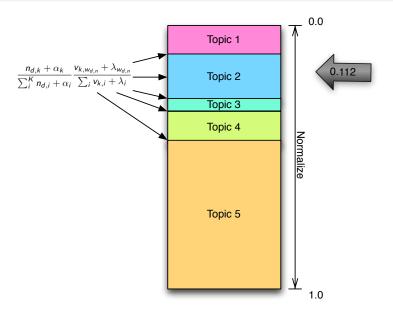


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Details: how to sample from a distribution



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Desiderata

- Hyperparameters: Sample them too (slice sampling)
- Initialization: Random
- Sampling: Until likelihood converges
- Lag / burn-in: Difference of opinion on this
- Number of chains: Should do more than one

Available implementations

- Mallet (http://mallet.cs.umass.edu)
- LDAC (http://www.cs.princeton.edu/ blei/lda-c)
- Topicmod (http://code.google.com/p/topicmod)
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