#### **Search Results Diversification**

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### Review

- Latent Semantic Analysis
- Topic Models
  - Probabilistic Latent Semantic Analysis
  - Latent Dirichlet Allocation

#### **About HW3.**

- The Expectation-Maximization algorithm
  - E-step

$$P(T_k|w_i,d_j) = \frac{P(w_i|T_k)P(T_k|d_j)}{\sum_{k=1}^K P(w_i|T_k)P(T_k|d_j)}$$

- M-step

$$P(w_i|T_k) = \frac{\sum_{d_j \in \mathbf{D}} c(w_i, d_j) P(T_k | w_i, d_j)}{\sum_{i'=1}^{|V|} \sum_{d_j \in \mathbf{D}} c(w_{i'}, d_j) P(T_k | w_{i'}, d_j)}$$

$$P(T_k|d_j) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{|V|} c(w_i, d_j) P(T_k|w_i, d_j)}{\sum_{i'=1}^{|V|} c(w_{i'}, d_j)} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{|V|} c(w_i, d_j) P(T_k|w_i, d_j)}{|d_j|}$$

- $P(w_i|T_k)$  and  $P(T_k|d_i)$  are random initial with two constrains
  - $\sum_{w_i \in V} P(w_i | T_k) = 1$ , for every topic  $T_k$
  - $\sum_{k=1}^{K} P(T_k | d_j) = 1$ , for every document  $d_j$

#### **About HW3..**

• The probability  $P(q|d_i)$  should be calculated in log domain

$$P(q|d_j) = \prod_{i=1}^{|q|} \left[ \alpha \cdot P(w_i|d_j) + \beta \cdot \left( \sum_{k=1}^K P(w_i|T_k) P(T_k|d_j) \right) + (1 - \alpha - \beta) \cdot P_{BG}(w_i) \right]$$

$$\log P(q|d_j) = \sum_{i=1}^{|q|} \log \left[ \alpha \cdot P(w_i|d_j) + \beta \cdot \left( \sum_{k=1}^K P(w_i|T_k) P(T_k|d_j) \right) + (1 - \alpha - \beta) \cdot P_{BG}(w_i) \right]$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{|q|} \left\{ \left[ \log \alpha + \log P(w_i|d_j) \right] \bigoplus \left[ \log \beta + \log \left( \sum_{k=1}^K P(w_i|T_k) P(T_k|d_j) \right) \right] \bigoplus \left[ \log(1 - \alpha - \beta) + \log P_{BG}(w_i) \right] \right\}$$

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# **About HW3...**

#	Team Name	Notebook	Team Members	Score 2	Entries
1	B†		9	0.52528	55
2	y€		9	0.51220	43
3	М		7	0.50242	55
<b>Q</b>	ULM			0.50229	
4	te		9	0.49764	9
5	B†		Ú	0.49679	47
6	М			0.49538	27
7	P€			0.49281	20
8	М			0.49250	1
9	B <sup>†</sup>			0.49096	16
10	М			0.45864	75
11	М		X	0.44721	61
<b>Q</b>	VSM				
12	М			0.22473	15
13	М			0.22344	7
14	М			0.19460	6
15	te			0.10610	3
16	М			0.05606	8
17	al			0.03981	13
18	М		9	0.02019	1

#### **About HW3...**

- A Collection.txt is released
  - Each line is a document
  - About 18 thousand documents in total
- Train a PLSA model on the corpus with 128 topics, we can achieve 0.53x by tuning the parameters easily
  - But the fold-in strategy is needed!

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# **About Final Project**

- Group your team!
  - 2~4 team members
  - Choose a paper

- Do you have GPU units?
  - We have to make sure you can do HW5 and final project

#### Resource

#### Conferences

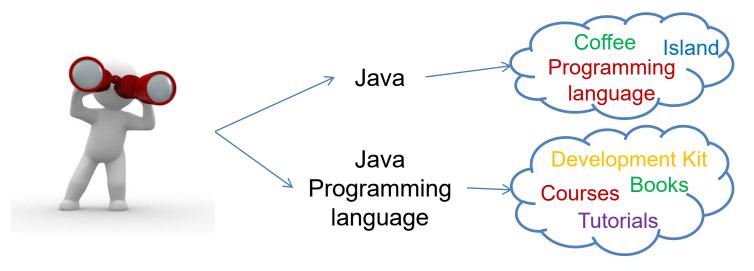
- ACM Annual International Conference on Research and Development in Information Retrieval (SIGIR)
- International Joint Conferences on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI)
- ACM Conference on Information Knowledge Management (CIKM)
- Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL)
- International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR)

#### Journals

- Journal of the American Society for Information Science (JASIS)
- ACM Transactions on Information Systems (TOIS)
- Information Processing and Management (IP&M)
- ACM Transactions on Asian Language Information Processing (TALIP)
- Information Retrieval Journal (IRJ)

### **Introduction** — What's going on?

- Traditional retrieval functions ignore the relations among returned documents
  - Top ranked documents may contain relevant yet redundant information
  - In order to maximize the satisfaction of different search users, it is necessary to diversify search results
  - Search results diversification can play an initial step for many search system

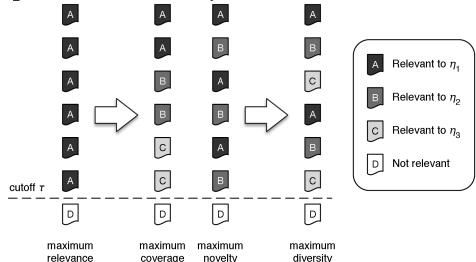


# Relevance, Coverage, Novelty, & Diversity

- Most of the retrieval models assume that the relevance of a document can be estimated with certainty and independently of the estimation of the other retrieved documents
  - Ambiguous queries
    - Ensuring a high **coverage** of the possible information needs
  - Redundancy results
    - Ensuring the retrieved documents provide a high **novelty**

# Relevance, Coverage, Novelty, & Diversity

- Coverage and novelty can also be conflicting objectives
  - A ranking with maximum coverage may not attain maximum novelty
    - Although covering all information needs, the ranking may place all documents covering a particular need ahead than others
  - A ranking with maximum novelty may not attain maximum coverage
    - Although covering each need as early as possible in the ranking, not all possible needs may be covered



# Introduction – Various Modeling

- Many diversification methods have been proposed
  - balance the relevance and the redundancy: MMR
  - distinguish previous topics and new coming: SMM
  - language modeling approach: WUME
  - probabilistic framework: xQuAD
- These methods mainly differ in diversity modeling
  - Implicitly: The diversity is implicitly modeled through document similarities
  - Explicitly: It can be explicitly modeled through the coverage of query subtopics, and document dependency

# **Introduction** – Notations

Symbol	Description			
q	A given query			
$a_k^q$	Sub-queries (aspect), $q = \{a_1^q, \dots, a_K^q\}$			
K	Number of sub-queries			
R	The user's information need			
D	A set of documents, $\mathbf{D} = \{d_1, \dots, d_{ \mathbf{D} }\}$			
$\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}$	A subset of documents which already selected by new method, $\widetilde{\mathbf{D}} = \{\widetilde{d}_1, \cdots, \widetilde{d}_{ \widetilde{\mathbf{D}} }\}$			

# **Maximal Marginal Relevance – MMR**

- MMR motivated the need for "relevant novelty" as a potentially superior criterion
  - An approximation to measuring relevant novelty is to measure relevance and novelty independently
- "Marginal Relevance" cab be regarded as the metric
  - A document has high marginal relevance if it is both relevant to the query and contains minimal similarity to previously selected documents

$$Div_{MMR}(d,q) = -\max_{\tilde{d} \in \tilde{\mathbf{D}}} sim(d,\tilde{d})$$

$$d^* = \operatorname*{argmax}_{d \in \mathbf{D}} \lambda \cdot Rel(d, q) - (1 - \lambda) \cdot \max_{\tilde{d} \in \tilde{\mathbf{D}}} sim(d, \tilde{d})$$

# Simple Mixture Model – SMM

- Given the observed new document, we estimate the mixing weight for the background model  $\theta_{BG}$  and the previous topic model  $\theta_{T}$ 
  - The simplest previous topic model can be modeled as:

$$P(w|\theta_T) = \sum_{\tilde{d} \in \widetilde{\mathbf{D}}} \frac{1}{N} P(w|\tilde{d})$$

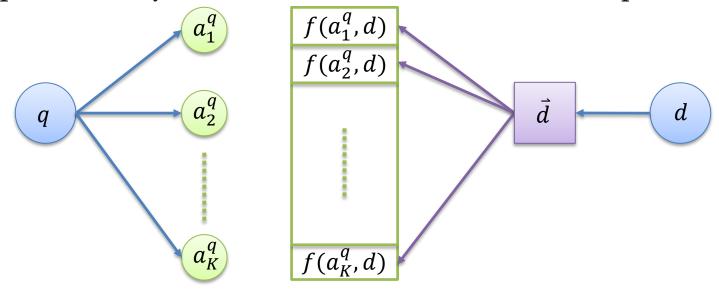
 The mixture weight for the background model can serve as a measure of novelty or redundancy

$$L(\beta|d,\theta_{BG},\theta_T) = \prod_{w \in V} \left( (1-\beta) \cdot P(w|\theta_T) + \beta \cdot P(w|\theta_{BG}) \right)^{c(w,d)}$$

$$d^* = \underset{d \in \mathbf{D}}{\operatorname{argmax}} \lambda \cdot Rel(d, q) + (1 - \lambda) \cdot \underset{\beta}{\operatorname{argmax}} L(\beta | d, \theta_{BG}, \theta_T)$$
$$1 - \beta = P(\theta_T | d)$$
$$\beta = P(\theta_{BG} | d)$$

# Explicit MMR – xMMR

• For a given query with its sub-queries, each document can be represented by a *K*-dimensional vector over sub-queries

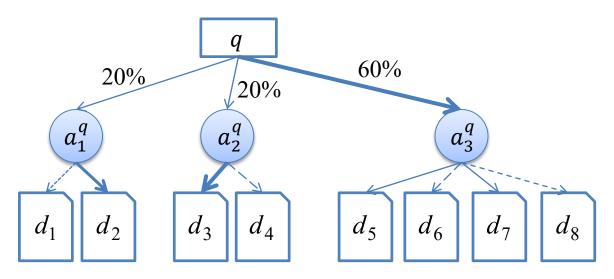


$$f(a^q, d) \equiv P(d|a^q)$$
  $f(a^q, d) \equiv cos(a^q, d)$ 

• By doing so, the redundancy score can be defined by considering sub-queries

$$d^* = \underset{d \in \mathbf{D}}{\operatorname{argmax}} \lambda \cdot Rel(d, q) - (1 - \lambda) \cdot \underset{\tilde{d} \in \widetilde{\mathbf{D}}}{\operatorname{max}} sim(\vec{d}, \overline{\tilde{d}})$$

#### **WUME – Motivation**



- There are three sub-queries under the given query  $q=\{a_1^q,a_2^q,a_3^q\}$ , and web documents  $\mathbf{D}=\{d_1,\cdots,d_8\}$
- Although  $d_3$  is more relevant to one of the sub-query  $a_2^q$  than  $d_5$  to  $a_3^q$ , given that  $a_2^q$  attracts less user interest than  $a_3^q$ ,  $d_3$  **should** still be ranked lower than  $d_5$

#### **WUME**

- WUME formalize the diversification method as:
  - Given a query Q, the probability that a retrieved document meets user's information need R can be written as:

$$P(R|d) = \frac{P(R)P(d|R)}{P(d)} \propto P(d|R)$$

- Take sub-query information into consideration:

$$P(d|R) \approx P(d|q) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} P(d|a_k^q, q) P(a_k^q|q)$$

Google Insights for Search or Wikipedia

- Finally, the ranking function becomes:

$$d^* = \underset{d \in \mathbf{D}}{\operatorname{argmax}} \lambda \cdot Rel(d, q) + (1 - \lambda) \cdot \sum_{k=1}^{K} P(d | a_k^q, q) P(a_k^q | q)$$

# **eXplicit Query Aspect Diversification**

- xQuAD: eXplicit Query Aspect Diversification
  - When given an ambiguous query, xQuAD builds a new ranked list by:

$$d^* = \operatorname*{argmax}_{d \in \mathbf{D}} \lambda \cdot P(d|q) + (1 - \lambda) \cdot P(d, \overline{\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}}|q)$$

• P(d|q) is the likelihood of document d being observed given the initial query

The probability can be regarded as modeling relevance

•  $P(d, \overline{\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}}|q)$  is the likelihood of observing this document but not the documents already in  $\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}$ 

The probability can be regarded as modeling diversity

### xQuAD - 1

- In order to derive  $P(d, \widetilde{\mathbf{D}}|q)$ , xQuAD explicitly consider the possibly several aspects underlying the initial query as a set of sub-queries
  - By assuming  $\sum_{k=1}^K P(a_k^q|q) = 1$ , xQuAD calculates  $P(d, \overline{\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}}|q)$  by considering sub-queries:

$$P(d, \overline{\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}}|q) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} P(d, \overline{\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}}|a_k^q) P(a_k^q|q)$$

– Further,  $P(d, \overline{\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}} | a_k^q)$  can be broken down by independent assumption:

### xQuAD – 2

- xQuAD also assumes that the relevance of each document in  $\tilde{\mathbf{D}}$ to a given sub-query  $a_k^q$  is independent

$$P(\overline{\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}}|a_k^q) = P(\overline{\widetilde{d}}_1, \dots, \overline{\widetilde{d}}_{|\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}|}|a_k^q) = \prod_{\widetilde{d}_n \in \widetilde{\mathbf{D}}} P(\overline{\widetilde{d}}_n|a_k^q) = \prod_{\widetilde{d}_n \in \widetilde{\mathbf{D}}} (1 - P(\widetilde{d}_n|a_k^q))$$

- To sum up, xQuAD suggests that:

$$Div_{xQuAD}(d,q) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} P(a_k^q|q) P(d|a_k^q) \prod_{\tilde{d}_n \in \widetilde{\mathbf{D}}} (1 - P(\tilde{d}_n|a_k^q))$$
 the importance of  $a_k^q$  the satisfaction degree  $a_k^q$ 

the relevance of d to  $a_{\nu}^{q}$ 

• Instead of comparing a document *d* to all documents already selected in  $\tilde{\mathbf{D}}$ , xQuAD estimates the utility of any document satisfying the sub-query  $a_k^q$ , given how well it is already satisfied by the documents in  $\tilde{\mathbf{D}}$ 

# **Analytical Comparisons**

#### Diversity Modeling:

- MMR and SMM **implicitly** model the diversity through document similarities
- xMMR, WUME and xQuAD **explicitly** model the diversity through the coverage of query subtopics

#### • Document Dependency:

- WUME assumes that the diversity score of a document is independent of other documents
- The other three methods assume that the diversity score depends on the previously selected documents

#### **General Framework**

- Most of these methods iteratively select the document that is not only relevant to the query but also diversified to cover more query subtopics, explicitly or implicitly
- All of methods fit into a general framework that iteratively selects with the highest relevance and diversity scores:

$$d^* = \underset{d \in \mathbf{D}}{\operatorname{argmax}} \lambda \cdot Rel(d, q) + (1 - \lambda) \cdot Div(d, q)$$

# **Experimental Results**

	TREC	09 result	TREC10 result		
	$\alpha$ -nDCG@20	$\alpha$ -nDCG@100	$\alpha$ -nDCG@20	$\alpha$ -nDCG@100	
$MMR^*$	0.365	0.427	0.344	0.415	
$WUME^*$	0.479	0.546	0.579	0.630	
$xQuAD^*$	0.482	0.550	0.588	0.636	

- All the parameters in each method are set to the optimum values
  - Both xQuAD and WUME perform significantly better than MMR
    - Using explicit sub-queries in diversification is better
    - The performances of xQuADand WUME are not significantly different

### **Conclusions**

- The experiment result shows that the explicit sub-query modeling and sub-query importance penalization strategies perform better
- It is interesting to find that how the sub-queries affect the overall performance
- Finally, we can think about that what's the difference between sub-queries and latent topics?
  - Supervised v.s. Unsupervised?

$$P(d|R) \approx P(d|q) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} P(d|a_k^q, q) P(a_k^q|q)$$

• Beyond relevance or another relevance?

# **Questions?**



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