

- However, if an n-gram occurs many times in not just one document but many others in the corpus, it could be that this ngram is merely a frequent term and not necessarily meaningful. This is what the IDF balances for.
- In other words, with the most frequent n-grams (TF) we get a first approximation, but the IDF should help us to refine and get better results.

Calculating a TF-IDF

$tfidf(t, d, D) = tf(t, d) \times idf(t, D)$					
	Doc 1	Doc 2		Doc n] /
Term(s) 1	12	2		1	
Term(s) 2	0	1		0	
Term(s) n	0	6		3	

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