

# MEET LOGY

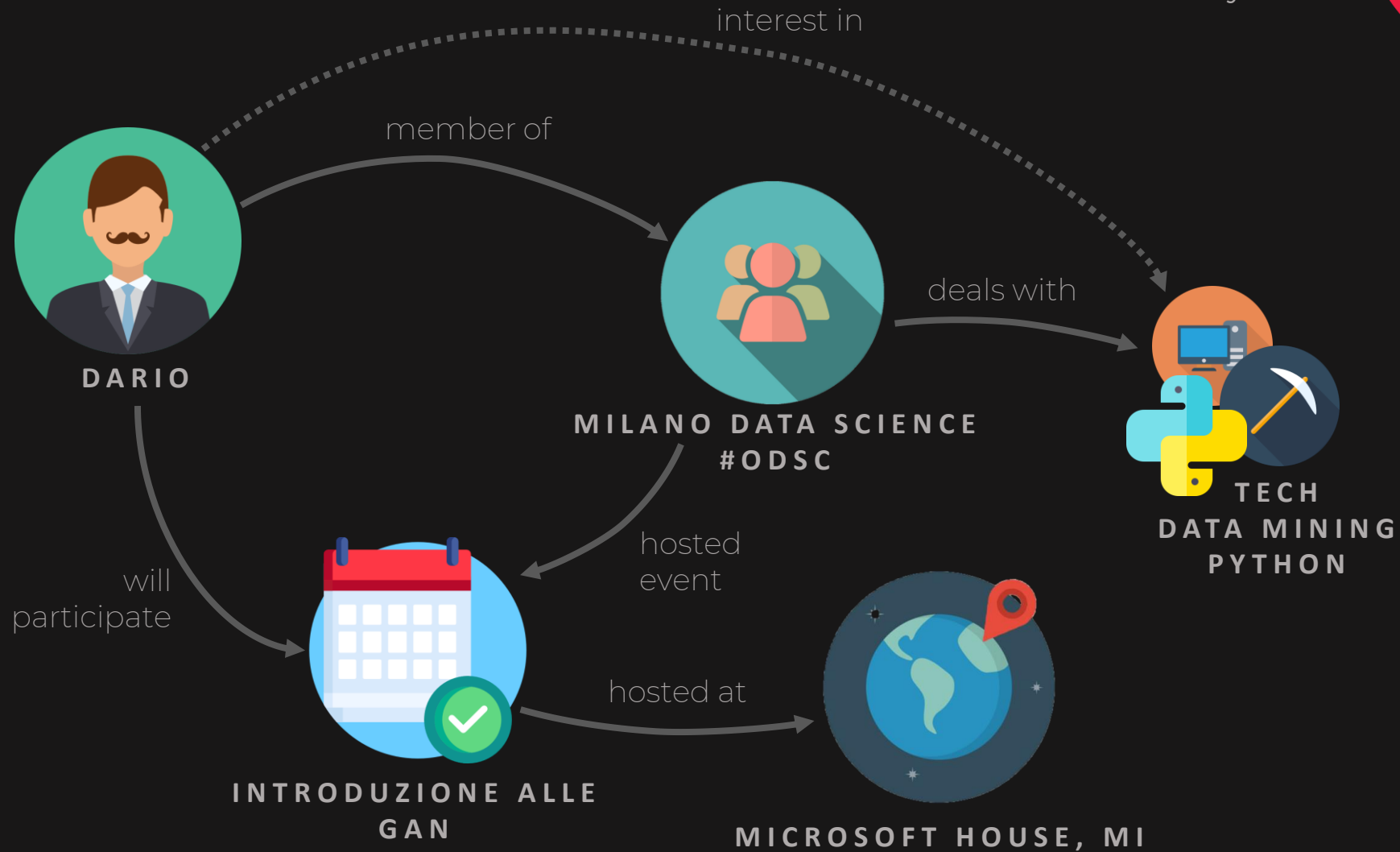
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A DATA SEMANTIC PROJECT

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# INTRODUCTION

available in **186**  
countries  
**40 millions** users  
**320k** active groups  
**12k** daily events



# OVERVIEW

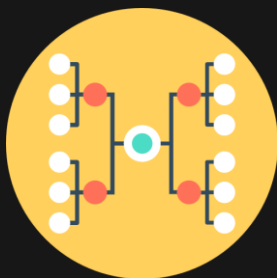




ontology definition  
(using JSON-LD format)  
S. J. Chalk, (2016)



messages enrichment  
(weather and demographic data)



topic categorization  
A. K. Uysal and S. Gunal, (2014)

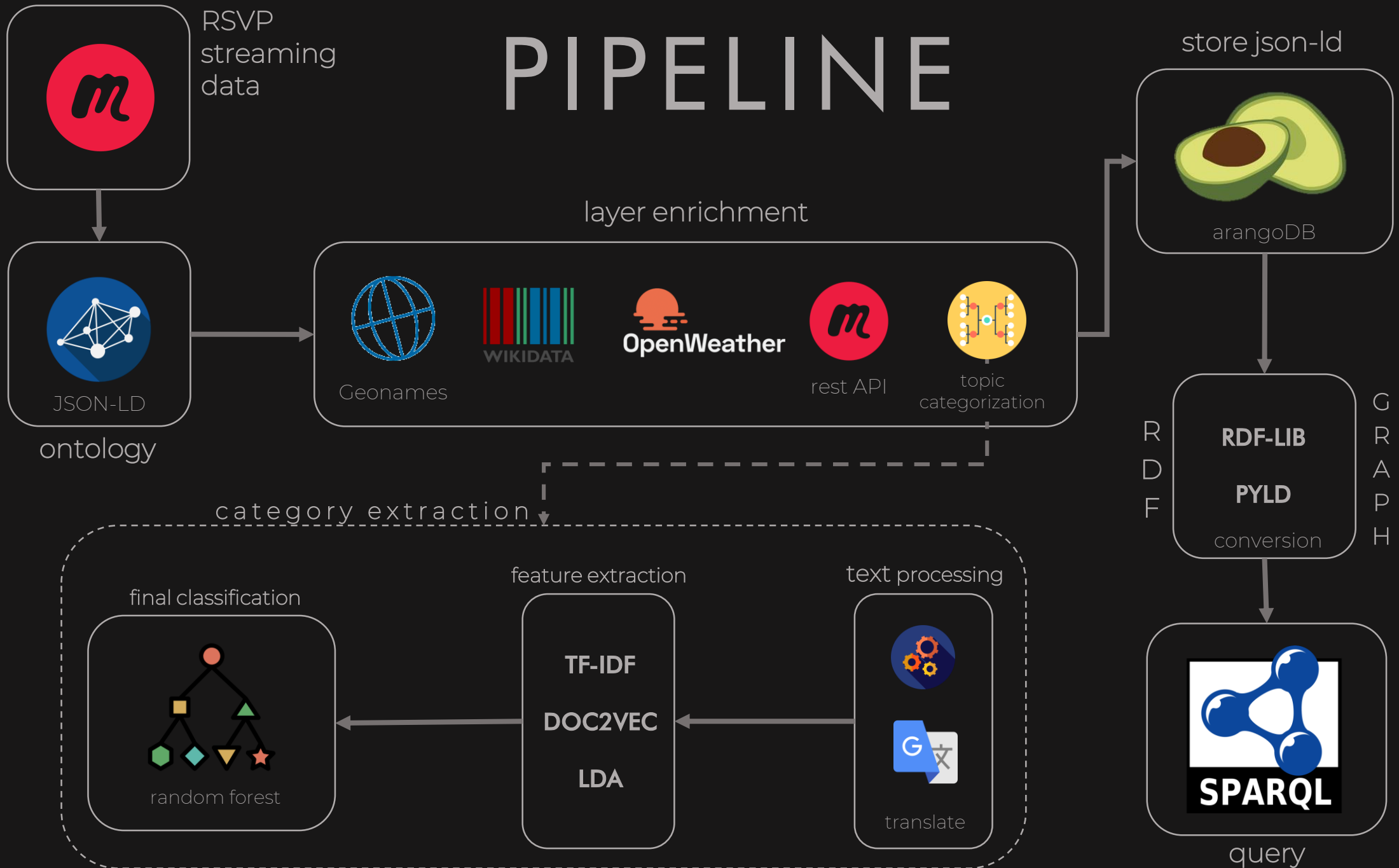
tf-idf

doc2vec

Q. Le and T. Mikolov, (2014)

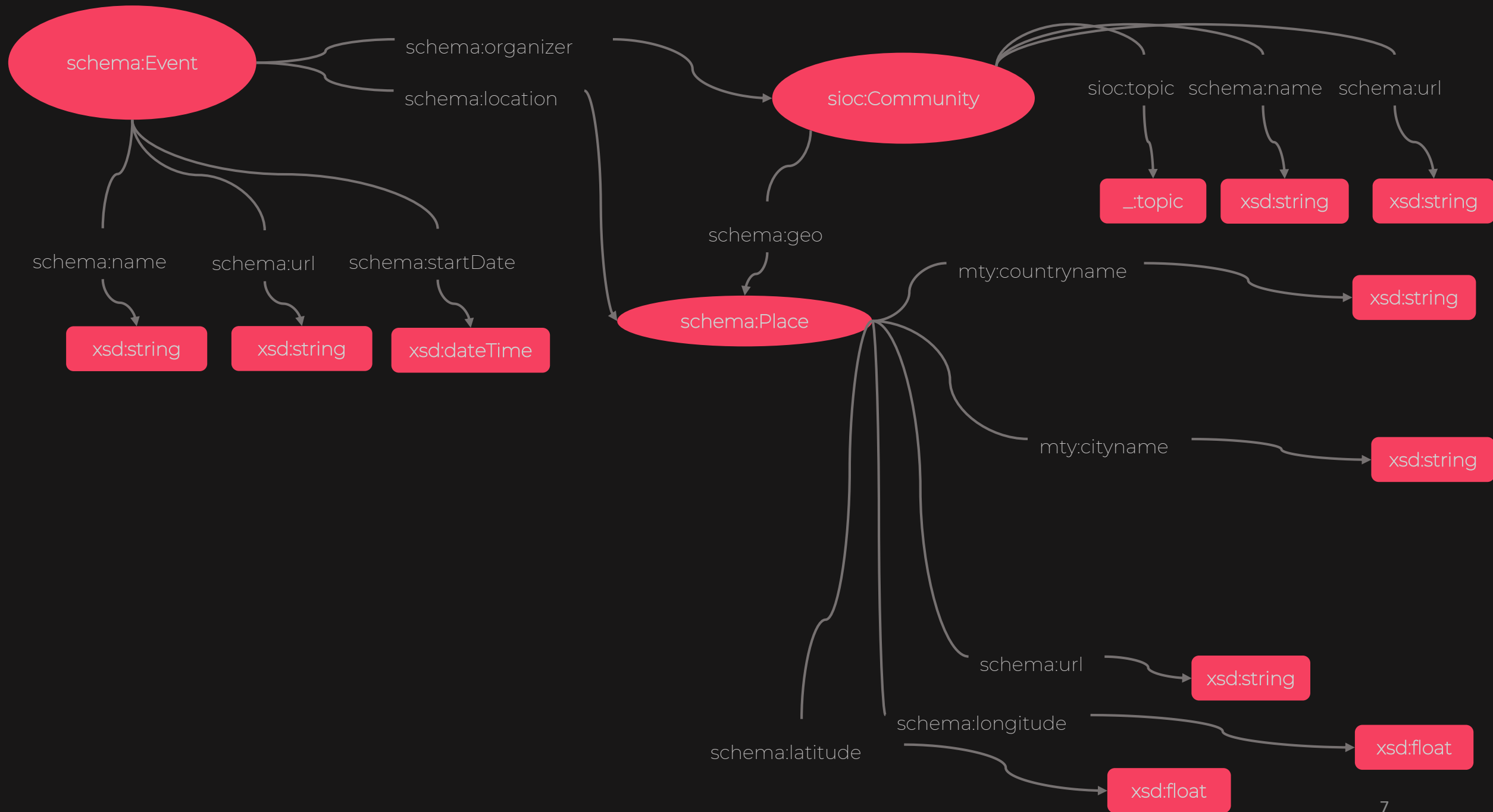
LDA

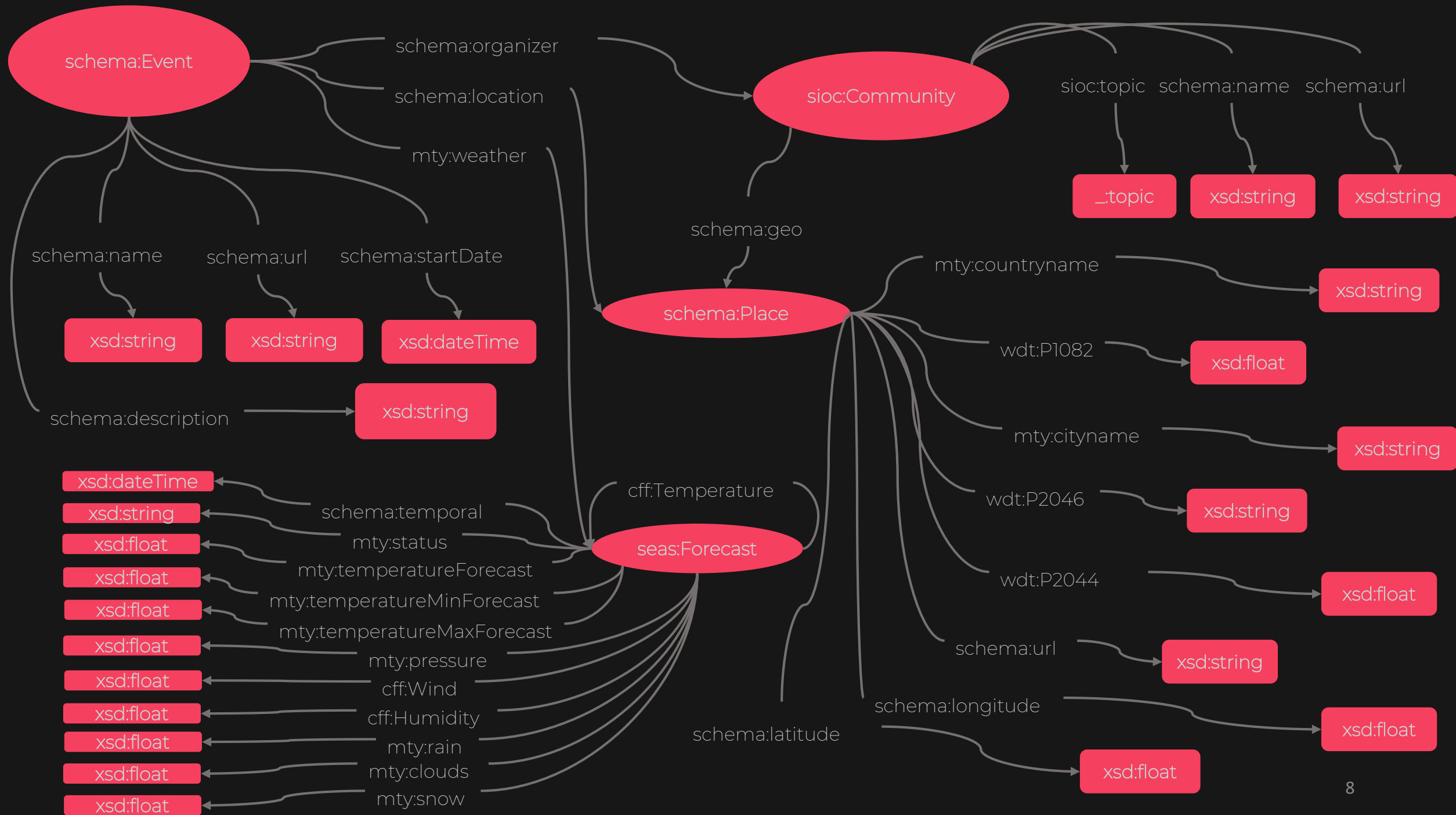
D. M. Blei, A. Y. Ng, M. I. Jordan, (2003)



# ONTOLOGY DEFINITION



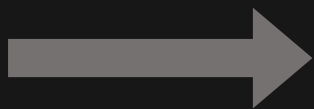








```
{  
  "venue": {  
    "venue_name": "Phil Foster  
Park",  
    "lon": -80.041481,  
    "lat": 26.784731,  
    "venue_id": 13027532  
  },  
  "visibility": "public",  
  "response": "yes",  
  "guests": 0,  
  "member": {...}  
}
```



add context

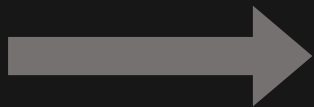
```
▼ @context {43}  
  @version : 1.1  
  schema : https://schema.org/  
  mty : https://www.meetology.onto/  
  sc : http://rdfs.org/sioc/spec/#term\_  
  wdt : https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Property:  
  xsd : https://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#  
  cff : https://www.w3.org/2005/Incubator/ssn/ssnx/cf/cf-feature#  
  seas : http://w3id.org/seas/
```



format JSON-LD

**ENRICHMENT**





```
"group": {  
  "group_topics": [...],  
  "group_city": "New York",  
  "group_country": "us",  
  "group_id": 7764982,  
  "group_name": "USA Divers",  
  "group_lon": -73.99,  
  "group_urlname": "BeachDivers",  
  "group_state": "FL",  
  "group_lat": 40.69}
```

query geonames docker  
indexed with Elasticsearch



```
payload = '{"query": {"bool": \  
  {"minimum_should_match": 1, "should": \  
    [{"match": {"name": {"query": "' + name + '"}}}, \  
    {"match": {"alternatenames": "' + name + '"}}}, \  
    {"match": {"asciiname": {"query": "' + name + '"}}}], \  
  "filter": [{"term": {"fclass": "A"}}, \  
    {"geo_distance": \  
      {"distance": "5km", "location": {"lat": "' + str(lat) + '", "lon": "' + str(lon) + '"}}}]}}'
```



messages enriched  
with geonameid &  
population



messages enriched with  
geonameid & population

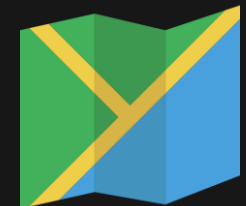
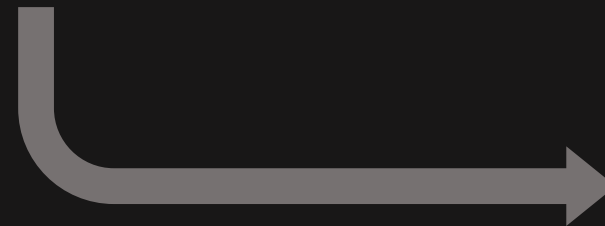


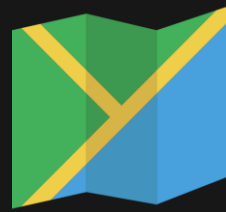
query wikidata endpoint  
using SPARQLWrapper

```
query = """SELECT ?city ?pop ?area ?elevation WHERE {  
  ?city wdt:P1566 ""'+'''+str(geonameid)+''+'''.  
  OPTIONAL { ?city wdt:P1082 ?pop. }  
  OPTIONAL { ?city wdt:P2046 ?area. }  
  OPTIONAL { ?city wdt:P2044 ?elevation. }  
}  
limit 1"""
```



geographical data  
(elevation & area)





enriched messages with  
geographical data



query OpenWeather API  
using temporal and spatial information



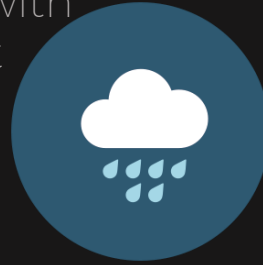
```
if message['startDate'] <= time.time()*1000 + 388800000 and message['startDate'] >= time.time()*1000 + 108000000:
    message['weather'] = {"@type": "Forecast"} # init section
    message['weather']['forecastDate'] = dt.utcnow().strftime('%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S+00')
    try:
        obs_fs = owm.three_hours_forecast_at_coords(message['organizer']['geo']['latitude'],
                                                    message['organizer']['geo']['longitude'])
        w = obs_fs.get_weather_at(str(dt.fromtimestamp(message['startDate']/1000))+'+00')
```



enriched message with  
weather forecast



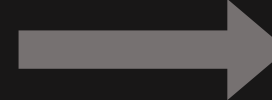
enriched message with  
weather forecast



query Meetup rest API  
in order to get events description

```
request = requests.get("http://api.meetup.com/2/events", params = params)

data = request.json()
#print(data)
desc = data["results"][0]["description"]
soup = BeautifulSoup(desc, "lxml")
clean = soup.get_text()
message['description'] = clean
message['@context']['description']['@language'] = detect(clean)
```



end of enrichment pipeline



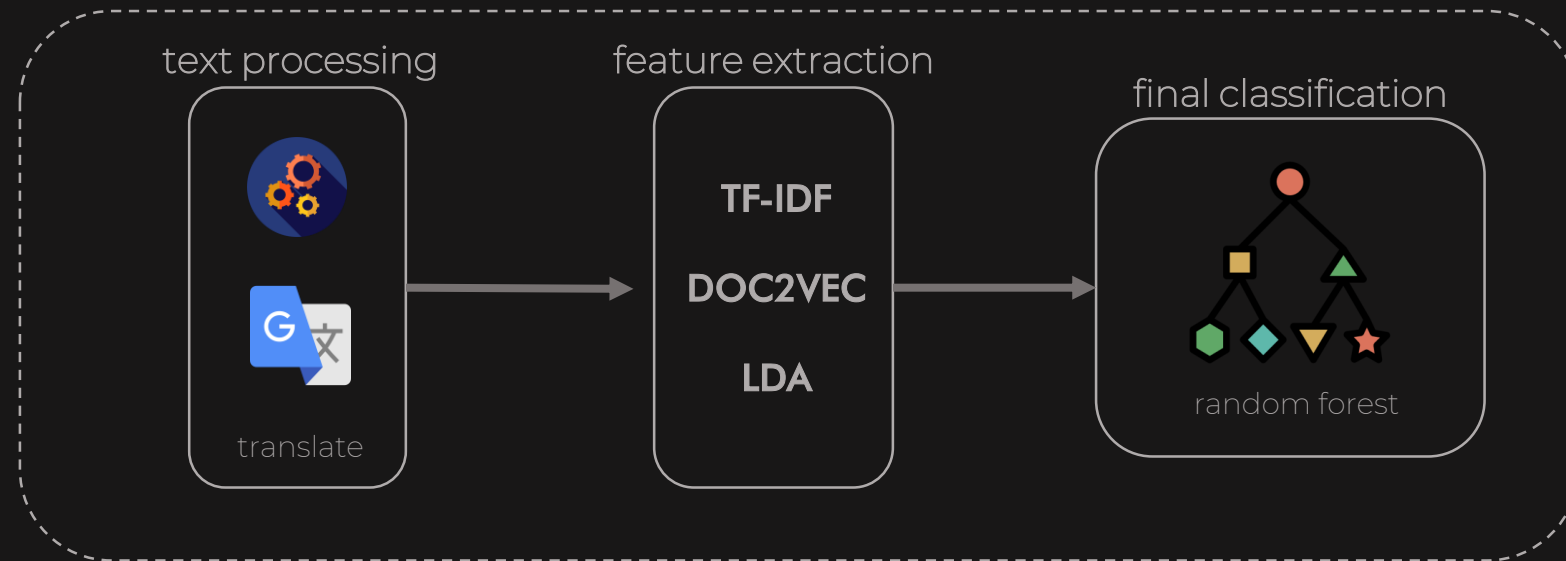
ArangoDB as storage  
for enriched messages parsed into JSON-LD

# TOPIC GENERALIZATION



# GENERAL STRATEGY

from event descriptions predict the event category  
(macro-topic)





# TEXT PROCESSING

(garbage in → garbage out)

html & emoji stripping

language detection (minimize api call)

- polyglot

language translation

- Google-translator API
- DeepL API
- python-translate API (Microsoft and other providers)

punctuation/special symbols,  
lowercase

tokenization and stopwords removal

stemmization

- SnowballStemmer (multilingual)
- PorterStemmer (English)

# FIRST APPROACH: BAG OF WORDS

feature extraction by tf-idf vectorization

$$\text{tf-idf}(t,d) = \text{tf}(t,d) \times \text{idf}(t)$$

c l a s s i f i c a t i o n

multiclass problem

33 classes, some of them slightly unbalanced

where

$$\text{idf}(t) = \log \frac{1+n}{1+\text{df}(t)} + 1$$

performance measure (in terms of average F-measure)

- initially (no cleansing) ~55% (still better than a zero rule!)
- after text preprocessing ~68%
- after some tricks ~75% (more on this later!)

i s s u e s

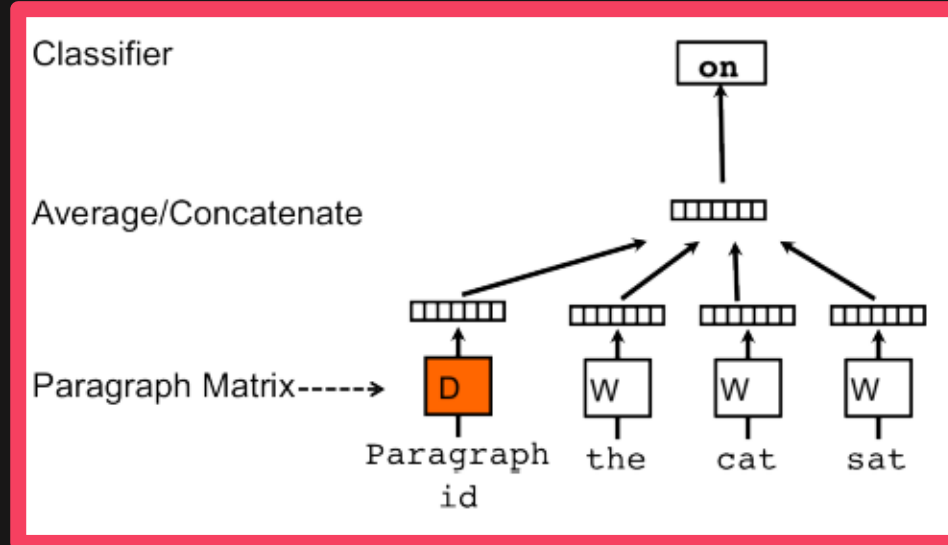
td-idf method requires a collection for the vectorization  
to work well → not suitable for prediction on the fly

# PARAGRAPH VECTOR (Doc2Vec)

feature extraction: doc vectorization

- train a (gensim) doc2vec model (10 epochs, 300-dim vec)
- dbow and dm concatenation

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
LGBT	0.99	0.35	0.52	463
alternative lifestyle	0.97	0.78	0.86	223
book clubs	0.68	0.45	0.54	388
career business	0.70	0.83	0.76	4580
cars motorcycles	0.98	0.50	0.66	362
community environment	0.82	0.46	0.59	944
dancing	0.82	0.81	0.82	1090
education learning	0.79	0.48	0.60	1003
fashion beauty	0.71	0.40	0.51	81
fine arts culture	0.82	0.60	0.69	1027
fitness	0.79	0.69	0.74	2269
food drink	0.75	0.56	0.64	1424
games	0.85	0.82	0.83	1469
health wellbeing	0.71	0.81	0.75	4532
hobbies crafts	0.80	0.60	0.68	515
language ethnic identity	0.82	0.66	0.73	1773
movements politics	0.83	0.78	0.80	752
movies film	0.75	0.45	0.56	539
music	0.79	0.61	0.69	895
new age spirituality	0.78	0.74	0.76	3001
outdoors adventure	0.74	0.86	0.79	5385
paranormal	0.60	0.13	0.21	23
parents family	0.89	0.50	0.64	640
pets animals	0.92	0.45	0.61	312
photography	0.95	0.76	0.84	584
religion beliefs	0.84	0.49	0.62	777
sci-fi fantasy	0.86	0.32	0.47	287
singles	0.61	0.32	0.42	844
socializing	0.47	0.73	0.57	5125
sports recreation	0.84	0.83	0.84	2470
support	0.93	0.38	0.54	431
tech	0.82	0.87	0.84	4340
writing	0.90	0.65	0.76	387
accuracy			0.72	48935
macro avg	0.80	0.60	0.66	48935
weighted avg	0.75	0.72	0.72	48935



performances (avg F-measure)

- initially → ~ 60%
- after processing → ~ 68%
- after some tricks → ~ 72% (more on this later!)

# PARAGRAPH VECTOR (Doc2Vec)



## PROS

predict on the fly  
semantically aware



## CONS

a lot of data is needed

(as well as computational time once data is  
granted)

overfitting in case of small/medium dataset

# LATENT DIRICHLET ALLOCATION (LDA)

unsupervised method for topic modeling & topic extraction

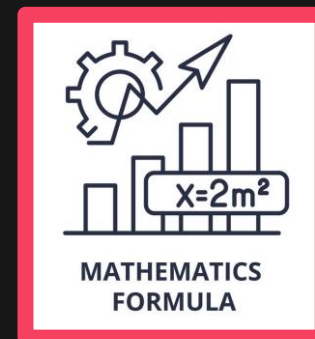
- generative model (three level bayesian model)

## high level idea

assume your texts comes from a latent-topics generated distribution, try to infer the distribution parameters (thus, the latent topics)

## (almost) technically

- “LDA takes de Finetti theorem seriously”
- compute the probability distribution for words in a doc, for a doc in a corpus and for the corpus itself  
exploiting the main property of exchangeability of words and docs
- use Bayesian inference to obtain the posterior distribution of the latent variables  
exploiting variational methods to solve (uncouple) intractable (coupled) equations



## interesting note

- some Latent topics are well correspondent with our labels while others have no sense but.. that's a good news!
- clusters of “garbage” helps in defining “badwords” to remove in the cleaning process → ~ 5/7% performance gain by only stripping ~20 badwords (the previously introduced “trick”)

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unsupervised method for topic m

- generative model (three

high level idea

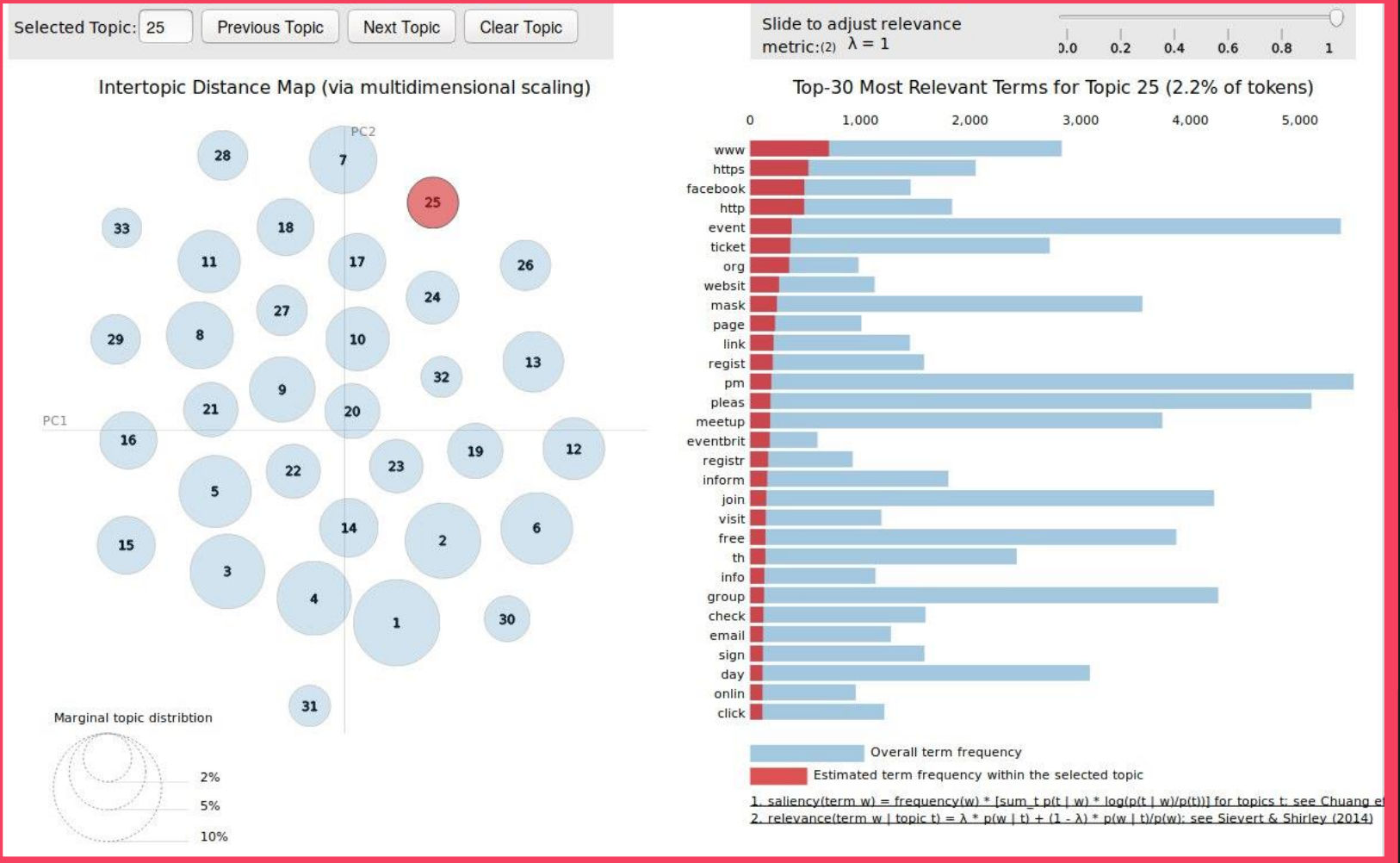
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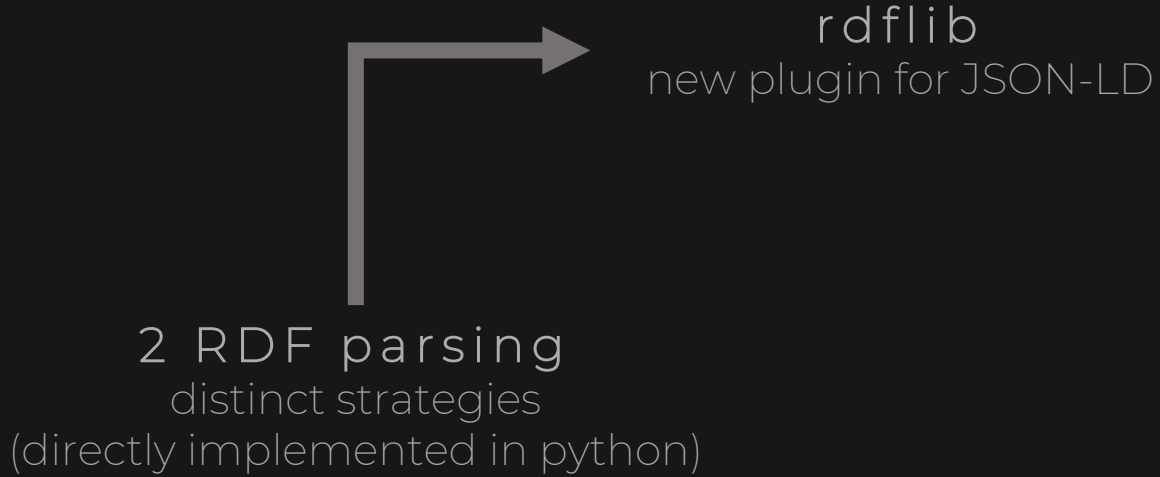
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# RDF PARSING





rdflib  
new plugin for JSON-LD



### PROS

easy to use, good performance



### CONS

doesn't allow to use @base attribute

pyld  
for parsing into RDF



### PROS

allow to use @base attribute



### CONS

not fully compatible with rdflib





SPARQL query  
example

```
result_more_query = rdf_lib.query(
    """
    SELECT ?name ?cat ?country
    WHERE{
        ?event schema:name ?name;
        schema:organizer ?org;
        schema:category ?cat FILTER ( str(?cat) = "tech" ).
        ?org schema:geo ?geo.
        ?geo mty:countryname ?country FILTER ( str(?country) = "gb" ).
    }
    """
)

for row in result_more_query:
    print("%s ---Has Category---> %s --Country-->%s" % row)
```

```
#NottsTest - TBA ---Has Category---> tech --Country-->gb
Google AI Workshop: Machine learning with Tensorflow ---Has Category---> tech --Country-->gb
Hands-on Meetup: Create a design system in React with Styled System -TICKET only ---Has Category---> tech --Country-->gb
Reading SEO- On-Page Technical, Power of Information for SEO & Internal Search ---Has Category---> tech --Country-->gb
Emily Jiang- On Stage Hacking: Build 12-Factor Microservices in an Hour ---Has Category---> tech --Country-->gb
Community meetup ---Has Category---> tech --Country-->gb
Agile HR Massive Morning Meetup | London | Fri 13th Sept ---Has Category---> tech --Country-->gb
  Marc Gravell - gRPC in .NET - Hosted by IRESS ---Has Category---> tech --Country-->gb
July Gophers ---Has Category---> tech --Country-->gb
Meet Amazing Data Women - Summer Social! ---Has Category---> tech --Country-->gb
Keynote by Angela Yu on Why I'm Building My Next App in Flutter ---Has Category---> tech --Country-->gb
London #PowerBI user group with Will Thompson ---Has Category---> tech --Country-->gb
Foolproof design lab ---Has Category---> tech --Country-->gb
Cyber Nottingham - September Meetup ---Has Category---> tech --Country-->gb
Agile team development at Co-op ---Has Category---> tech --Country-->gb
Introduction to Time-Series ---Has Category---> tech --Country-->gb
OWASP Birmingham Chapter Meetup July 2019 ---Has Category---> tech --Country-->gb
London Scala Workshop: Zainab Ali - Run scalac, run! ---Has Category---> tech --Country-->gb
Hi-tech for high profit: Digital twins, geospatial data and property investment. ---Has Category---> tech --Country-->gb
Wireframing & prototyping using Axure ---Has Category---> tech --Country-->gb
```

CONCLUSIONS



## KEY POINTS

- acquires streaming data from Meetup (RSVP messages)
- attaches a semantic structure (by ontology definition)
- integrates data with useful information
- stores the result on ArangoDB
- creates an RDF graph for SPARQL query

# IMPROVEMENTS & FUTURE WORK



data from other services,  
more enrichment



in case use business  
solution for API



improve classification  
performance

this work might be the skeleton of a future project in which after collecting data through the illustrated pipeline, tries to predict (linear regression) the event participation on spatial and temporal bases

THANK YOU

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Thanks to Vanessa Grass for the meetup labelled data

Repository available on [gitlab](#) (complete) and [github](#) (reduced).



(exchangeability)  $\longrightarrow$

$$p(z_1, \dots, z_N) = p(z_{\pi(1)}, \dots, z_{\pi(N)})$$

By de Finetti's theorem:  $\longrightarrow$

$$p(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{z}) = \int p(\theta) \left( \prod_{n=1}^N p(z_n | \theta) p(w_n | z_n) \right) d\theta$$

corpus Dirac-like topic mixture distribution

distr. parameters  $\nearrow$

latent topic  $\nearrow$

n-th word for d-th document  $\nearrow$

$$p(\mathcal{D} | \alpha, \beta) = \prod_{d=1}^M \int p(\theta_d | \alpha) \left( \prod_{n=1}^{N_d} \sum_{z_{dn}} p(z_{dn} | \theta_d) p(w_{dn} | z_{dn}, \beta) \right) d\theta_d$$

$$p(\theta, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{w} | \alpha, \beta)$$

joint distribution of a topic mixture  $\theta$ ,  
a set of  $N$  topics  $\mathbf{z}$ , and a set of  $N$  words  $\mathbf{w}$

$$p(\mathbf{w} | \alpha, \beta)$$

marginal distribution of a single document

probability of the entire corpus

Inference:  $\longrightarrow$

$$p(\theta, \mathbf{z} | \mathbf{w}, \alpha, \beta) = \frac{p(\theta, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{w} | \alpha, \beta)}{p(\mathbf{w} | \alpha, \beta)}$$

producing the intractable eq (coupled!)  
need for variational methods to solve (approx)  
-> decoupling

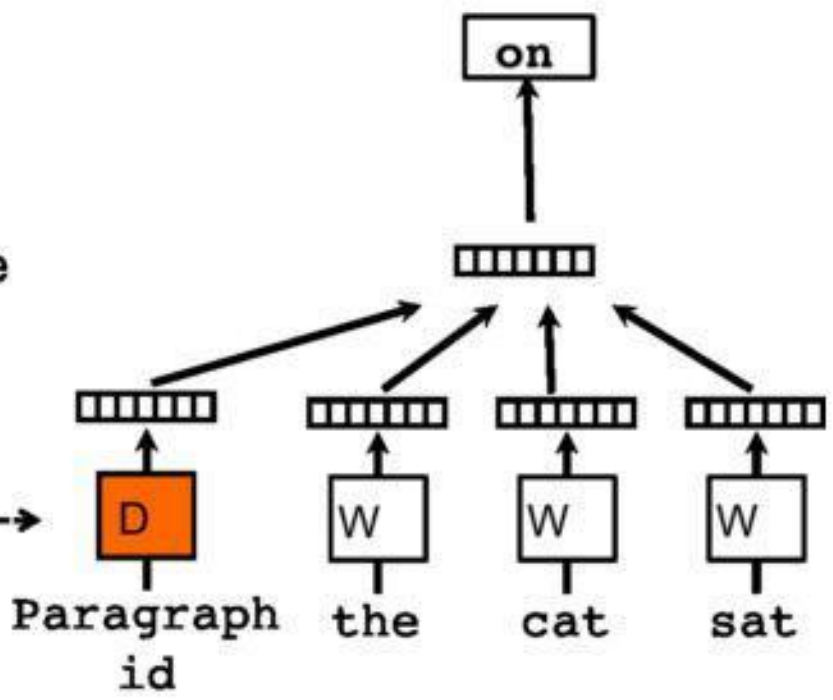
$$p(\mathbf{w} | \alpha, \beta) = \frac{\Gamma(\sum_i \alpha_i)}{\prod_i \Gamma(\alpha_i)} \int \left( \prod_{i=1}^k \theta_i^{\alpha_i - 1} \right) \left( \prod_{n=1}^N \sum_{i=1}^k \prod_{j=1}^V (\theta_i \beta_{ij})^{w_n^j} \right) d\theta,$$



Classifier

Average/Concatenate

Paragraph Matrix----->



Paragraph vector: distributed bag of words

Paragraph vector: distributed memory

Classifier

Paragraph Matrix ----->

