# IACS Capstone Project Course DataShack 2018

# CROSS LINGUAL TEXT CLASSIFIERS

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#### **Who:** Tribe Dynamics

# **Central Problem**

What: How much people talk about a particular brand on social media

Why: So companies can asses popularity of their brand and products

**So what?** They already have a model, how can we help to improve it?





### Model

**Supervised** model used to **classify posts** (output probability of each being about a brand or not)

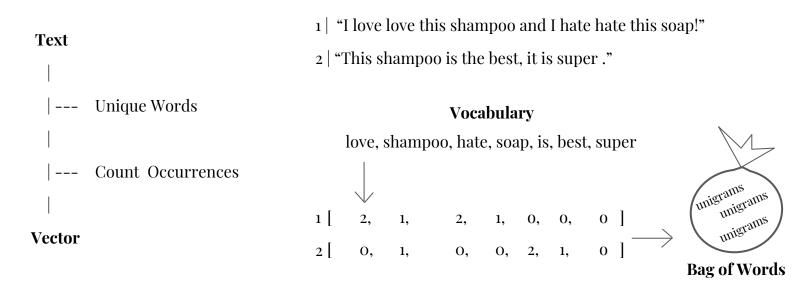
- 1) find the **function** that defines the boundary in input space dividing is\_brand from is\_not\_brand
- 2) learn the **parameters** of the boundary
- 3) maximize the correctness of each post being about a brand or not (i.e. fitness)

**So what?** It is a lot of work! Plus, how should we convert text to a numerical format?





# **Convert Words to Vectors: Bag of Words...**

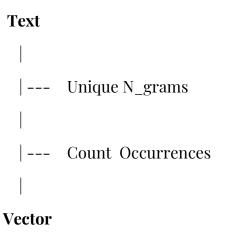


**Each post is represented by one n-dimensional vector** where n is the number of unique words in the entire dataset. What happens if we add a new word? a) longer vector, b) train the model again





# ... and N\_grams



- 1 | "I love love this shampoo and I hate hate this soap!"
- 2 | "This shampoo is the best, it is super ."

### **Bi-grams Vocabulary**

love love, **love shampoo**, shampoo hate, hate hate, , shampoo is, is best, best is, is super

Dim. bi-grams = 
$$\binom{V}{2}$$
; Vocabulary =  $O(V^n)$ 

**Observation:** a) vector size increases exponentially with n and polynomially with V (O(V^n)). and b) increasing zeros in the vector (i.e. sparse)





### **Pitfalls**

**So what?** A supervised model that classifies brands presence from posts is hard because:

- a) To learn a good classifier function:
  - i) is hard to compute parameters of sparse input vectors
  - ii) is computationally intensive to use iterative maximization algorithm (differentiation or matrix inversion in closed form).
- b) To maintain both the model and the training set:
  - i) must fit a new model to add new words
  - ii) is expensive to label posts

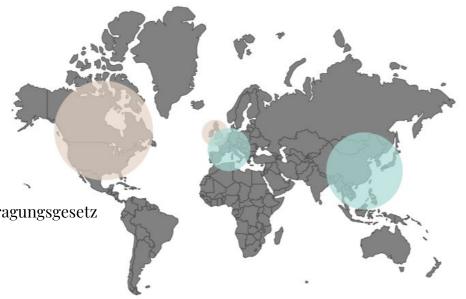


# Even harder: monolingual to multilingual models

Not all languages can be reduced to unigrams so easily. Some have words that include multiple concepts.

Ex.

Rindfleischetikettierungsüberwachungsaufgabenübertragungsgesetz "the law for the delegation of monitoring beef labeling"



How can we build a model that performs posts' classification and is correct enough across different languages?





### **Classification Task Performance**

Tribe current performances on **Non-English** languages, when classified using an n-grams logistic regression model on bag of multilingual vocabulary.

Our team **replicated Tribe's model** and we found similar results.

**Imbalance**: English has more data and datasets are significantly imbalanced across languages (measure AUC/PR/F1, not accuracy)

	[AUC]		
	Tribe	Our Team	
English :	0.95	0.96	
Non English:	0.76	0.82	

**Observation**: Ground Truth errors (approximately 10–15% in non-English) infuses less confidence in models.





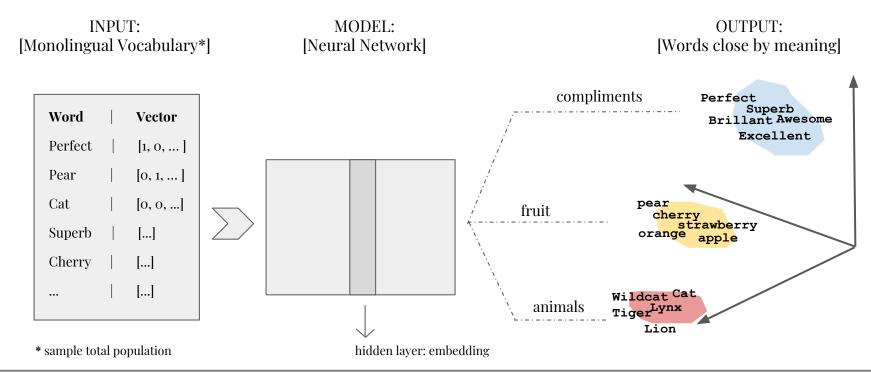
# **First Model Proposal**

Model	Pros	Cons		
N_grams: "a troubled love story"	interpretable	expansion of vocabulary		
Word Embeddings + Alignment: "one model forever"	compact representation	difficult to learn params		
sparse	input vector vs dense inpu	ıt vector		
$[1, 1, 1, 0, 1,, 0, 1 0, 0] \mid [0.2, 0.1, 0.5,, 0.1, 0.3]$				
dimens	sion is not fixed   dimension is fi	xed		
change w	vith more words   do not change	with more words		





# **Mono-Lingual Word Embeddings: Intuition**







# **Word Embeddings Training : Language Model**

INPUT: MODEL: SAMPLE OUTPUTS:

[Dogs, are] [Cats, are] [Neural Network]

Cute - 0.4

SOFTMAX scary - 0.2

annoying - 0.1

lovable - 0.3

- Unsupervised
- Context encoded in sentence
- Similar words » Similar successors





# **Proposal I: Static and Dynamic Channel Embeddings**

INPUT: MODEL: SAMPLE OUTPUTS: [Dogs, are] [Cats, are] [Neural Network] cute - 0.4 scary - 0.2 Emb\_stat Emb\_dyn One Hot LSTM **SOFTMAX** annoying - 0.1 (BP : No) (BP:Yes) Encoding lovable - 0.3

Motivation: Standard knowledge (Wiki) - Static, Fashion Knowledge - Dynamic





# Mono-Lingual Word Embeddings: evaluation process and results

#### **Baseline: Bag of Words + Logistic Regression**

- | --- uni and bigrams (N dimensional)
- --- classifier: is\_brand or is\_not\_brand
- --- estimate ROC, AP, F1

#### **Model 1: Word Embeddings + Logistic Regression**

- --- embedding output (300 dimension)
- --- input: sum of word vectors in the post
- --- classifier: is\_brand or is\_not\_brand
- --- estimate ROC, AP, F1

	[ROC]		[AP]		[F1]	
	BOW	Emb	BOW	Emb	BOW	Emb
English:	0.88	0.86	0.98	0.97	0.96	0.96
Italian:	0.84	0.85	0.90	0.90	0.86	0.86

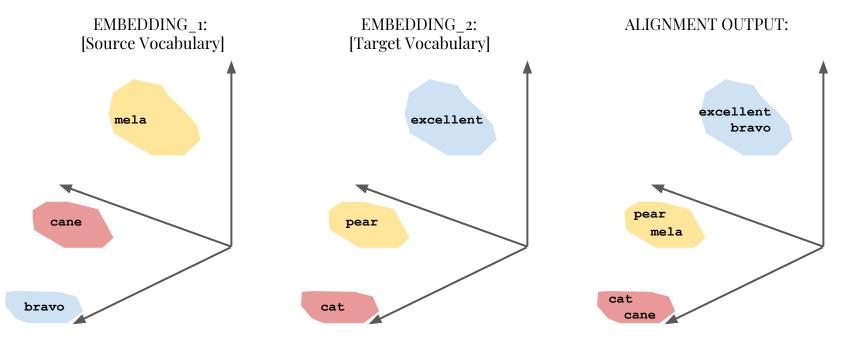
**BOW:** Bag-of-Words (n-grams = (1,2)) + Logistic Regression

**Emb:** Word Embeddings + Logistic Regression





# **Multi-Lingual Aligned Word Embeddings**







# Alignment

#### process

--- bilingual vocabulary (anchor words)

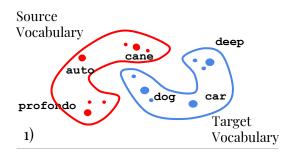
--- input: source and target embeddings

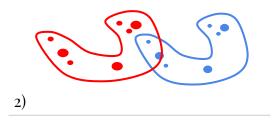
--- learn transformation

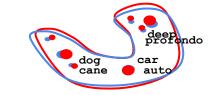
--- fitness: minimize euclidean distance of anchor words

--- apply transformation

--- estimate: euclidean distance, cosine similarity







3)

**Advantage:** only one model must embedded in vector space (knowledge transfer)





<sup>\*</sup> transformations W\* aligns source and target vocabularies using rotation (1-2) and translation (2-3)

# **Alignment Definition**

--- is a linear distance-preserving map (isometry):

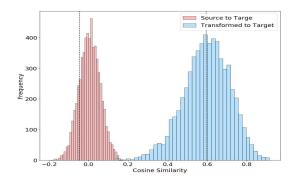
$$f: X \rightarrow Y$$

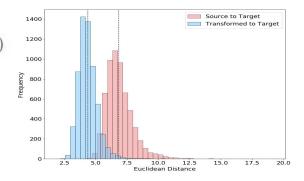
$$||f(x)|| = ||x||$$
; for all x in X

--- objective function minimizing the euclidean distance:

$$W^* = \underset{W \in O_d(\mathbb{R})}{\operatorname{arg\,min}} ||WX - Y||_F = UV^T, \quad \text{with} \quad U\Sigma V^T = \operatorname{SVD}(YX^T)$$

orthogonal Procrustes problem









# Multilingual Word Embeddings Aligned: evaluation process and results

#### **Bag of Words + Logistic Regression**

--- same procedure as before

### **Aligned Word Embeddings + Logistic Regression**

--- embedding output

--- align source embedding to target

--- input: sum of word vectors in the post (source transformed and target vocabularies\*)

--- classifier on both languages: is\_brand or is\_not\_brand

--- estimate ROC, AP, F1

	[ROC]		[A	[AP]		[F1]	
	BOW	Emb	BOW	Emb	BOW	Emb	
English+Italian*:	0.89	0.85	0.99	0.97	0.96	0.95	
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**BOW:** Bag-of-Words (n-grams = (1,2)) + Logistic Regression **Emb:** Aligned Word Embeddings + Logistic Regression

\* use target embedding vector if two words are the same





## **Practical Discussion on Aligned Embeddings**

- 1. **One-time cost** New language train and align embeddings once. Retrain infrequent.
- 2. **Knowledge Transfer -** Happens at the embedding level.
- 3. **Singular Model** One single model across languages.
- 4. **Generalizable** Works with any classification model on embedded space.
  - Eg: Logistic Regression, Feedforward nets, ConvNets etc.
- 5. **Data Boost** Number of effective data points for model training increases.



# **Proposal 2 : Mixture Model**

### Why do we need two models?

Deep Learning Training is hard. Simpler model, alternative philosophy -

#### What if?

One model in English. Translate all other languages to English.

**Advantages**: Maintenance, Core Strengths, Lesser n-grams, Lesser data costs in non-English

#### **Issues**

- Sentence Level: Inaccurate, Costly
- Word Level: Word Sense Disambiguation





# **Word Sense Disambiguation**

**Key Idea**: Context drives translation of words across languages.

### **EXAMPLE**

Dove sei? (Not brand) - Where are you?

Io amo Dove (brand) - I love Dove.

### **MAIN IDEA**

• Each word has a mixture of translations.

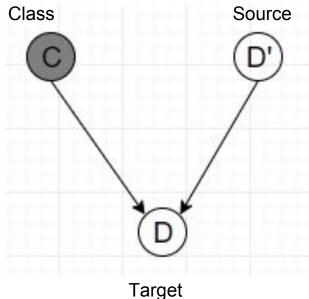
Infer the correct translation through context during training.





### **Conditional Translations - PGM**

- Generative model
- Document Bag of words
- P(D|D'): "amo Dove" "love where", "love Dove" (50%)
- P(D|D', C=brand): "amo Dove" "love Dove" (>>50%)
- Needs bilingual lexicon and EM

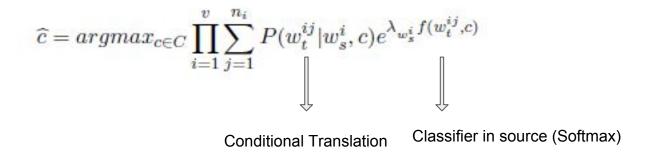








### **Source Classification and Class Inference**



#### **IDEA**

- Target class maximizes likelihood of generation
- Could be viewed as weighted ensemble prediction by different translations to source language





# **RESULTS (ITALIAN)**

Metric	B1	B2	В3	ММ	MM + Sup*
Accuracy	0.81	0.87	0.95	0.91	0.92
AUC	0.58	0.66	0.83	0.74	0.74
PR	0.08	0.34	0.62	0.55	0.56
F1	0.17	0.52	0.80	0.72	0.74

**B1**, **B2**, **B3** - 25%, 50% and 100% labeled data in Italian

MM - Mixture Model without labeled data, Sup - (Small portion) Supervised labeled data





### **Discussion**

- Engineering good tokens and lexicon is key crazy social media vocabulary coolio, ssup, AFAIK, IMHO, IDK, LMFAO, I am happyyyyy...., Typos
- Top words in English and other languages are not exact translations.
- EM Complexity : O( |V(source)| \* |V(target)| \* |Classes(2)| )
- Semi-supervision on the model Has value and needs to be engineered better.
- Maintenance Costs: Train lexicon and EM once in every new language(and at times when you think your vocabulary increases).





### In a nutshell....

What we really wanted: Compact and single model, knowledge transfer, scales across languages

### **Cross-lingual Word Embedding**

#### **Mixture Model**

Knowledge Transfer(KT) through pre-training and alignment	KT through word translation (bilingual lexicon) mixtures
Similar neighbors, Classifier flexibility	Interpretability, Classifier flexibility
Single model, Compact representation	Single model, Saves data labeling drastically

#### **Future Work**

Improve words tokenization to train dynamic embedding | Train better lexicon

Improve alignment: more frequent words | Approximate Inference





# **Visualization Tool**

# pancake

Word-Embedding visual model





### **Visualization Tool**

**Users**: Model Developers

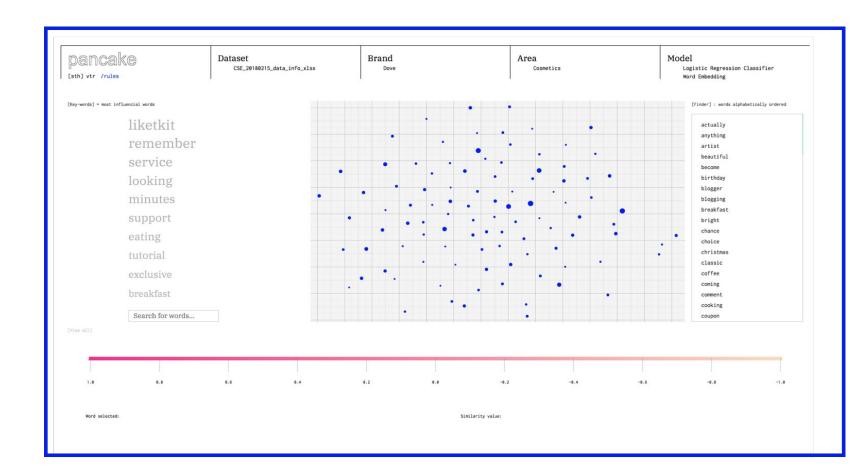
Scope: Help the developers to check the model's result

What the tool does: print the words by their similarity

Tool Link: https://datashack.github.io/tribedynamics/Visualization/index.html



### Landing page



#### Header

To remind to the developer on which dataset he is is working on and the models that have been applied



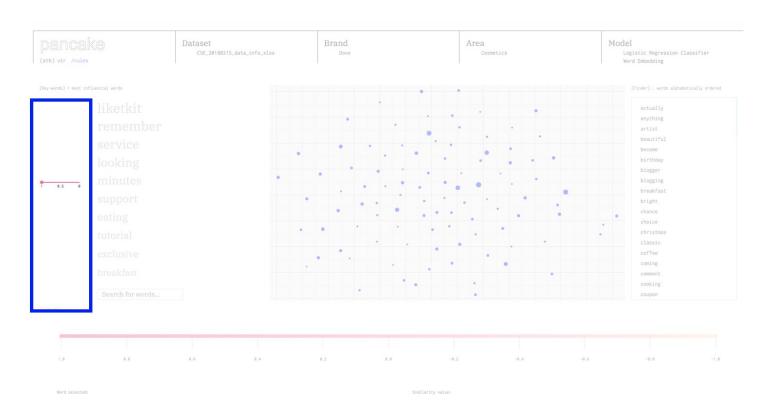
### Key-word

List of the most influential words for the text classification task, according to a Logistic Regression Classifier



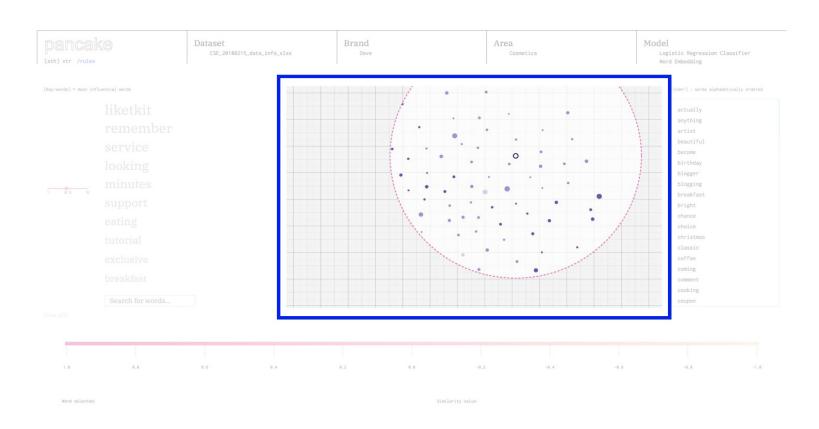
### Slide bar

The user can set the similarity range to select the words to analyze



### Scatter-plot

Words are positioned in two dimension after having been reduced from 300 to 2 dimensions using TSNE dimensionality reduction



### Scatter-plot

How the scatter-plot is built

#### **Dots color**



Formula to define dots color:

color\_i = delta\_i = |cosine\_similarity(selected word in 300 dimensions, word\_i in 300 dimensions) - cosine\_similarity(selected word in 2 dimensions, word\_i in 2 dimensions)|

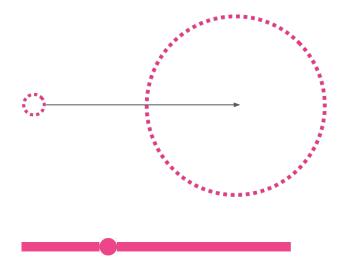
**Dots dimension** is depending on influence value



High influence 

→ Low influence

#### Circle selector and slide bar



Small selection \_\_\_\_\_ Large selection

1 = [corresponding with word selected]



