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Topic: Lecture 6 Source: Lecture 6

Imagine we performed LDA on the classes in this block. What might their $[Beta\ /\ Theta]$ distributions look like? (2)

Topic: Lecture 5 Source: Lecture 5

We often weight our matrices using something like PMI or TF-IDF. Do you think it would make sense to do this after applying SVD? Why or why not? (2)

Topic: Lecture 8 Source: Lecture 8

P(d|q) is not what we are solving with the language model. Why is this not generally a problem? (1)

Topic: Lecture 7 Source: Lecture 7

What is the purpose of an inverted index? (1)

Topic: Lecture 5 Source: Lecture 5

Why can we represent a rank-m matrix as the sum of m rank-1 matrices *or* the product of an n x m matrix and an m x n matrix (ie, what is matrix multiplication doing that we can take advantage of?)? Explain. (2)

Topic: Lecture 8 Source: Lecture 8

Why do we not simply take the probability of a word given its document (maybe with smoothing added in)? (1)

Topic: Lecture 6 Source: Lecture 6

In class, we talked about bookstores and streaming algorithms classifying books / movies. How can we tell that they don't use a topic modeling algorithm (or, if you think they do, what would be some clues)? (1)

Topic: Lecture 7 Source: Lecture 7

Why do we generally care more about precision than recall in IR? (1)

Topic: Long

Source: Lecture 8

In class, we considered two different types of information retrieval systems - one that uses Boolean terms to find matches, and one that uses a language model to allow for "natural language" queries. Can you think of a way that we might be able to leverage the strengths of both, while minimizing the disadvantages? Briefly explain how that might work. (2)

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