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Topic: Lecture 7 Source: Lecture 7

Explain why boolean filtering is usually insufficient for retrieval, and why we normally need some way of scoring the documents. (2)

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Why can we be confident that a low-rank approximation of a matrix contains the most important information in a document? (1)

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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)

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What is the reasonining behind substituting TF-IDF with Okapi BM25? (1)

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

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What are some assumptions that we make when we are interpolating between a document and a corpus? When should we trust the corpus more, and when should we trust the document more? (2)

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Why do we need a "human in the loop" for topic modeling? (1)

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Why don't we just use k-means to cluster document-vectors (sparse or dense)? (1)

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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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