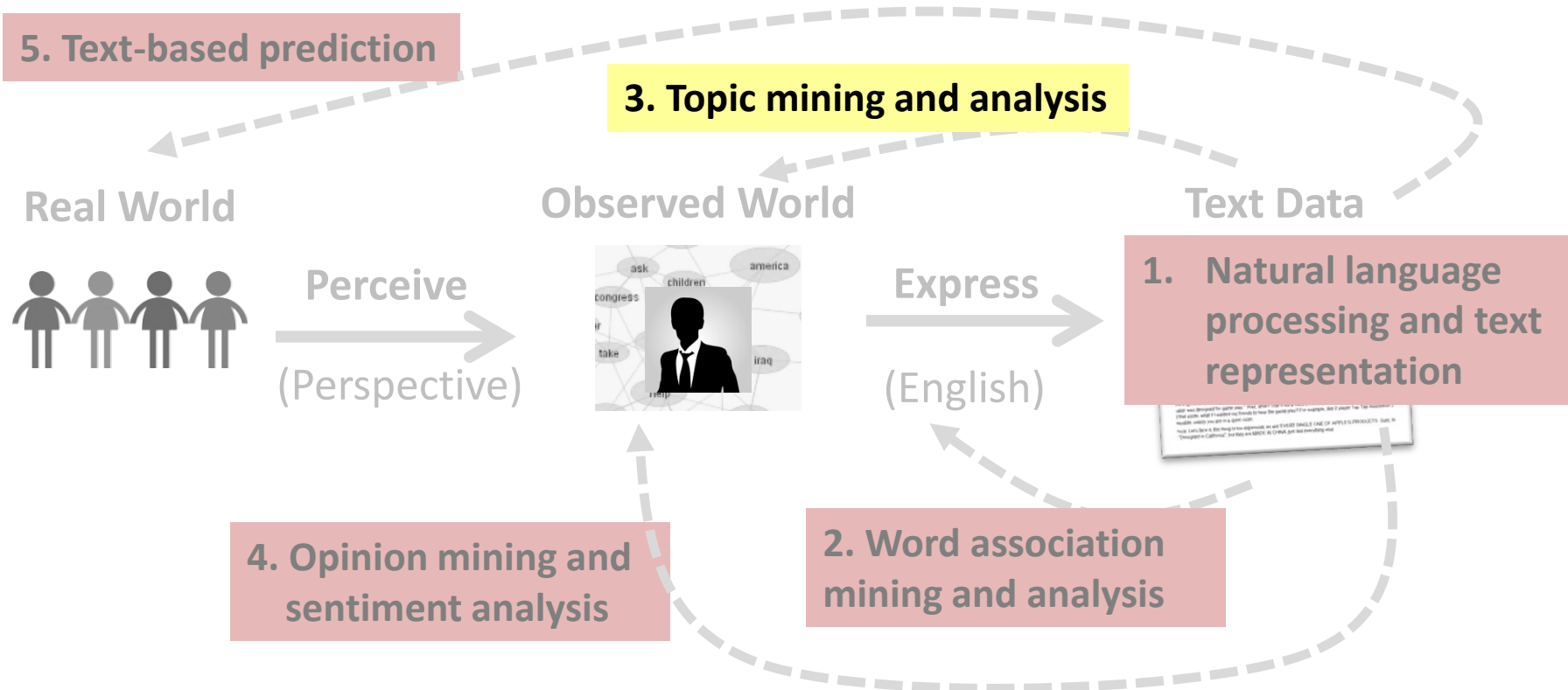




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Document as a Sample of Mixed Topics

Topic θ_1

government 0.3
response 0.2

...

Topic θ_2

city 0.2
new 0.1
orleans 0.05

...

...

Topic θ_k

donate 0.1
relief 0.05
help 0.02

...

Background θ_B

the 0.04
a 0.03

...

Blog article about “Hurricane Katrina”

[Criticism of government response to the hurricane primarily consisted of criticism of its response to the approach of the storm and its aftermath, specifically in the delayed response] to the [flooding of New Orleans. ... 80% of the 1.3 million residents of the greater New Orleans metropolitan area evacuated] ... [Over seventy countries pledged monetary donations or other assistance]. ...

Many applications are possible if we can “decode” the topics in text...

Mining Multiple Topics from Text

OUTPUT: $\{ \theta_1, \dots, \theta_k \}, \{ \pi_{i1}, \dots, \pi_{ik} \}$

INPUT: C, k, V

Text Data

θ_1

sports 0.02
game 0.01
basketball 0.005
football 0.004
...

θ_2

travel 0.05
attraction 0.03
trip 0.01
...

θ_k

science 0.04
scientist 0.03
spaceship 0.006
...

Doc 1

30%

π_{11}

Doc 2

$\pi_{21}=0\%$

π_{22}

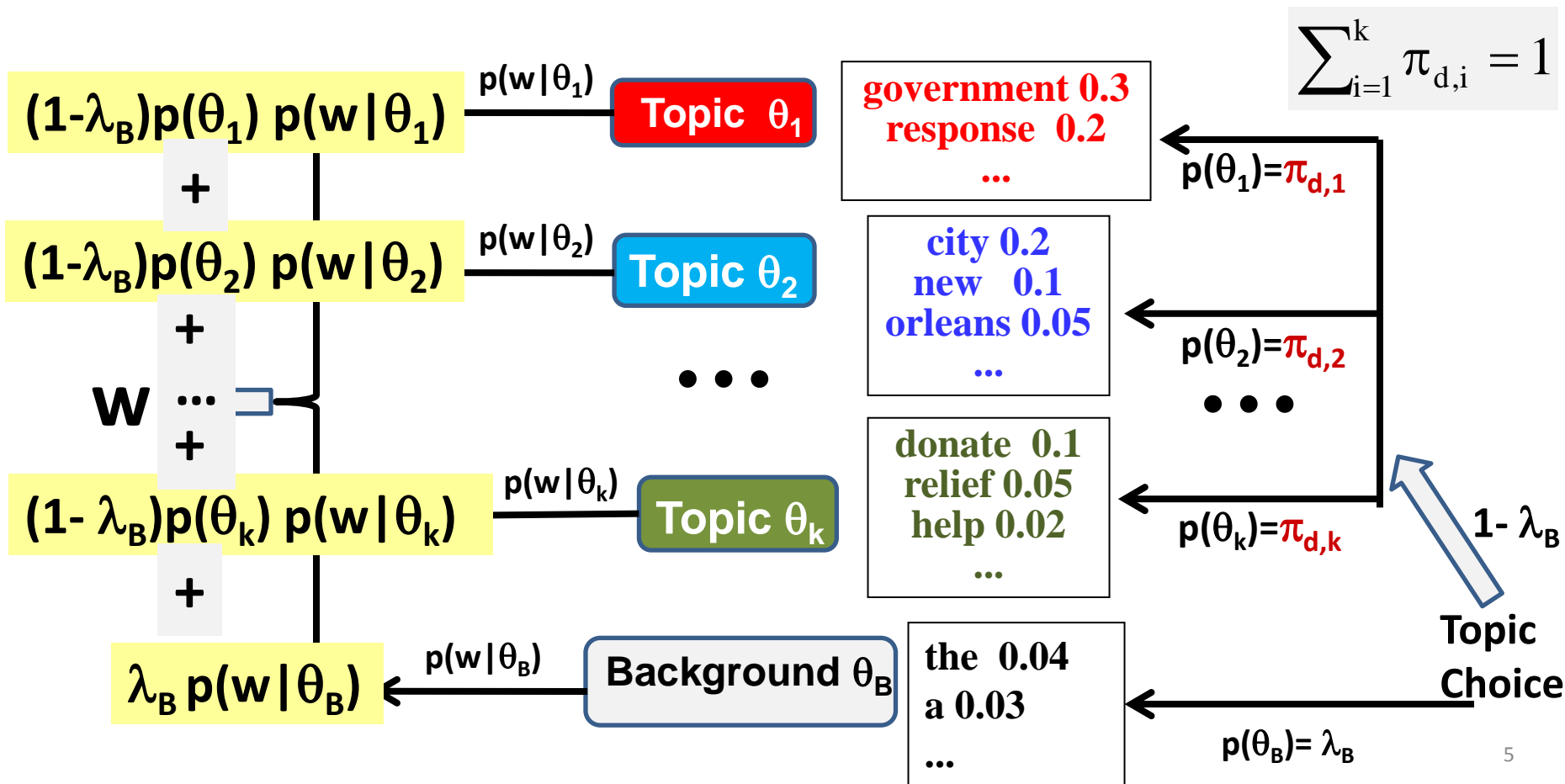
Doc N

$\pi_{N1}=0\%$

π_{N2}

π_{Nk}

Generating Text with Multiple Topics: $p(w)=?$



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Percentage of
background words
(known)

Background
LM (known)

Coverage of topic θ_j in doc d

Prob. of word w in topic θ_j

$$p_d(w) = \lambda_B p(w | \theta_B) + (1 - \lambda_B) \sum_{j=1}^k \pi_{d,j} p(w | \theta_j)$$

$$\log p(d) = \sum_{w \in V} c(w, d) \log [\lambda_B p(w | \theta_B) + (1 - \lambda_B) \sum_{j=1}^k \pi_{d,j} p(w | \theta_j)]$$

$$\log p(C | \Lambda) = \sum_{d \in C} \sum_{w \in V} c(w, d) \log [\lambda_B p(w | \theta_B) + (1 - \lambda_B) \sum_{j=1}^k \pi_{d,j} p(w | \theta_j)]$$

Unknown Parameters: $\Lambda = (\{\pi_{d,j}\}, \{\theta_j\})$, $j=1, \dots, k$

How many unknown parameters are there in total?

ML Parameter Estimation

$$p_d(w) = \lambda_B p(w | \theta_B) + (1 - \lambda_B) \sum_{j=1}^k \pi_{d,j} p(w | \theta_j)$$

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Constrained Optimization: $\Lambda^* = \arg \max_{\Lambda} p(C | \Lambda)$ 两个约束条件.

$$\forall j \in [1, k], \sum_{i=1}^M p(w_i | \theta_j) = 1$$

$$\forall d \in C, \sum_{j=1}^k \pi_{d,j} = 1$$

EM Algorithm for PLSA: E-Step

Hidden Variable (=topic indicator): $z_{d,w} \in \{B, 1, 2, \dots, k\}$

Probability that **w in doc d** is generated from **topic θ_j**

$$p(z_{d,w} = j) = \frac{\pi_{d,j}^{(n)} p^{(n)}(w | \theta_j)}{\sum_{j'=1}^k \pi_{d,j'}^{(n)} p^{(n)}(w | \theta_{j'})}$$

Use of Bayes Rule

$$p(z_{d,w} = B) = \frac{\lambda_B p(w | \theta_B)}{\lambda_B p(w | \theta_B) + (1 - \lambda_B) \sum_{j=1}^k \pi_{d,j}^{(n)} p^{(n)}(w | \theta_j)}$$

Probability that **w in doc d** is generated from **background θ_B**

EM Algorithm for PLSA: M-Step

Hidden Variable (=topic indicator): $z_{d,w} \in \{B, 1, 2, \dots, k\}$

Re-estimated **probability** of doc d covering topic θ_j

ML Estimate based on "allocated" word counts to topic θ_j

$$\pi_{d,j}^{(n+1)} = \frac{\sum_{w \in V} c(w, d)(1 - p(z_{d,w} = B))p(z_{d,w} = j)}{\sum_{j'} \sum_{w \in V} c(w, d)(1 - p(z_{d,w} = B))p(z_{d,w} = j')}$$

标准化所有 topics

$$p^{(n+1)}(w | \theta_j) = \frac{\sum_{d \in C} c(w, d)(1 - p(z_{d,w} = B))p(z_{d,w} = j)}{\sum_{w' \in V} \sum_{d \in C} c(w', d)(1 - p(z_{d,w'} = B))p(z_{d,w'} = j)}$$

标准化所有单词.

Re-estimated **probability** of word w for topic θ_j

Computation of the EM Algorithm

- Initialize all unknown parameters randomly
- Repeat until likelihood converges

$z_{d,w} = j, B$ 表示
文档中的 w 单词 是否属于
 j 或 B (j 是主题, B 是背景)

– E-step $p(z_{d,w} = j) \propto \pi_{d,j}^{(n)} p^{(n)}(w | \theta_j)$

$$\sum_{j=1}^k p(z_{d,w} = j) = 1$$

$p(z_{d,w} = B) \propto \lambda_B p(w | \theta_B) \leftarrow$

What's the normalizer for this one?

– M-step

$$\pi_{d,j}^{(n+1)} \propto \sum_{w \in V} c(w, d) (1 - p(z_{d,w} = B)) p(z_{d,w} = j)$$

$$\forall d \in C, \sum_{j=1}^k \pi_{d,j} = 1$$

$$p^{(n+1)}(w | \theta_j) \propto \sum_{d \in C} c(w, d) (1 - p(z_{d,w} = B)) p(z_{d,w} = j)$$

$$\forall j \in [1, k], \sum_{w \in V} p(w | \theta_j) = 1$$

In general, accumulate counts, and then normalize

Summary

- PLSA = mixture model with k unigram LMs (k topics)
- Adding a pre-determined background LM helps discover discriminative topics
- ML estimate “discovers” topical knowledge from text data
 - k word distributions (k topics)
 - proportion of each topic in each document
- The output can enable many applications!
 - Clustering of terms and docs (treat each topic as a cluster)
 - Further associate topics with different contexts (e.g., time periods, locations, authors, sources, etc.)