# VERSE INTO VISION "化诗入画" - AI TOOL TO VISUALIZE ANCIENT CHINESE POEM: THE IMPLEMENTATION AND THE DISCUSSION OF AI ART

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#### **ABSTRACT**

This Signature Work project delves into artificial intelligence's (AI) ability to interpret Chinese poetry, highlighted through the development of the "Verse Into Vision" tool and the accompanying collection, "In Poetry, Paintings; In Paintings, Poetry." Integrating concepts from machine learning, semiotics, and information theory, the research scrutinizes AI's effectiveness in grasping the complex essence of poetry. Utilizing statistical modeling, semiotic analysis, and Systemic Functional Linguistics, it addresses the challenges of poetic interpretation and translation. The project's outcomes reveal both the potential and current limitations of AI in fully appreciating the nuances of Chinese poetry, advocating for advancements in AI's comprehension of historical context and cultural nuances to achieve more profound interpretations. The methodological journey also encompasses data science practices such as data collection, processing, and model tuning, alongside website development. Future directions include deeper philosophical explorations and the development of specialized AI models for translating and interpreting poetry, underlining the project's contribution to the dialogue between technology and traditional literature.

#### 摘要

这个标志性作品项目探讨了人工智能解读中国诗歌的能力,通过开发"化诗入画"工具及其附带的作品集"诗中有画,画中有诗"来突显。该研究融合了机器学习、符号学和信息论的概念,审视 AI 把握诗歌复杂本质的有效性。利用统计建模、符号分析和系统功能语言学等理论,讨论了 AI 对诗歌解释和翻译的挑战。项目成果揭示了 AI 在欣赏中国诗歌细微方面的潜力与当前的局限,倡导在 AI 对历史背景和文化细节的理解方面进行进一步的提升,以实现更深入多元的解读。项目实践过程还包括了许多数据科学专业的技术应用,如数据收集、处理和模型调参,以及网站开发。未来,可能的研究方向包括更深入的哲学探索和专门用于翻译及解释诗歌的 AI 模型的开发,以展现该项目对技术与传统文学对话的贡献。

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#### INTRODUCTION

Images stand as essential mediums through which human engage with and interpret their surroundings, largely perceiving the world through visual stimulation. They represent visual perception, ranging from tangible captures by optical devices—cameras, mirrors, telescopes, and microscopes—to the areas of imagination realized through paintings and digital art. Historically preserved on paper, canvas, and light-sensitive materials like film, the evolution of imaging technology has ushered in a digital era where images are increasingly stored, shared, and manipulated in digital formats. This progression is underpinned by significant advances in digital acquisition technology and signal processing theories, reshaping our interaction with images, and expanding the horizons of artistic and scientific expression. This background forms a crucial context for exploring the dynamic interplay between Al and image, highlighting a transformative shift in how we create, disseminate, and perceive images in contemporary society.

The advent of Al-generated art, particularly in the form of drawings, marks a revolutionary chapter in the history of artistic expression and media theory. This innovation traces its basis to the exploration of automata, a field where technology and artistry intersect, challenging traditional definitions of authorship and artistic genius. Al drawings originate from the desire to extend the capabilities of human creativity with the precision versatility and computation ability of machine intelligence. Early experiments in this domain sought to understand whether machines could replicate or even augment the creative process, leading to the development of algorithms capable of producing visual art. Today, Al's capability in art generation has transcended mere replication, embodying the ability to synthesize novel visual expressions from vast datasets of existing artworks. These systems, powered by advanced machine learning techniques such as Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs) and deep learning models, can now generate images that resonate with human aesthetics, yet are entirely new creations. This breakthrough not only frees artistic production, making it accessible to those without formal training, but also stimulates a profound discourse on the essence of creativity, the role of the artist, and the evolving relationship between humans and machines in the creation of art. Algenerated drawings emerge not just as technological singularity, but as a medium that challenges and expands the boundaries of traditional media theory, inviting a reevaluation of art's place in the digital age. It also prompts a profound reevaluation of media theories and fosters a deeper comprehension of the intricate relationship between technology and artistic creativity.

Jean-Paul Sartre's theory highlights a fundamental distinction between perception and imagination. As Sartre argued in *The imaginary: A phenomenological psychology of the imagination*, perception is an observational, incomplete engagement with objects through our senses, inherently limited to one perspective at a time. Conversely, imagination is total and subjective, presenting all aspects of an imagined object simultaneously, based on our synthesis of knowledge and intentions. This conceptualization of imagination as "quasi-observation" suggests that our imaginative constructs are deeply personal and shaped by our desires and prior experiences. In the context of Al art, Sartre's theory offers intriguing parallels. Al-generated art challenges traditional media by introducing a form of 'imagination' that synthesizes vast datasets into creations that might reflect the machine's 'intention' based on its programming. Thus, Al art can be seen as a manifestation of technological quasi-observation, where the output reflects a blend of past data and current algorithmic processes, inviting viewers to engage not just with the art itself but with the underlying intentions and knowledge embedded by its creators.

Under the strict requirements of Yun Lv (rhythm) and Dui Zhang antithesis, Gu Shi (Chinese ancient poetry) uses minimal words to unfold various scenes from magnificent natural landscapes to deeply empathetic experiences of joy and sorrow, separation and union. This is achieved through Yi Xiang (imagery)—a symbol in ancient poetry, and people's imagination. To expand upon the essence of Classical Chinese poetry within the framework of Jean-Paul Sartre's theory and semiotics, it's pertinent to delve into how these ancient texts serve as a conduit for profound imaginative engagement. The meticulously structured verses, bound by the artful constraints of antithesis and rhythm, epitomize the use of linguistic signs to evoke expansive worlds within the reader's mind. This poetic form, leveraging a succinct and potent vocabulary, mirrors Sartre's concept of imagination as a realm where the totality of an object—or in this case, a vivid scene or

emotion—is presented through synthesis of the reader's knowledge and intentions. The sparse yet evocative language of these poems, each character imbued with deep historical and cultural significance, operates as a semiotic beacon, guiding the reader to transcend the textual surface and explore the multifaceted layers of meaning. Classical Chinese poetry thus stands as a testament to the ancient poets' adeptness in creating immersive, imagistic experiences, illustrating the dynamic interplay between signifier and signified, and highlighting the imaginative leap required to fully realize the poetic imagery within the mind's eye.

"Verse into Vision" presents an innovative tool designed to transform ancient Chinese poetry into visual art through AI technology, enabling a dynamic exploration of poetic imagery within a digital landscape. This project produces a collection—"In Poetry, Paintings; In Paintings, Poetry"—of over a thousand images derived from Wang Wei's poetry, embodying the fusion of textual elegance visual aesthetics. Additionally, the development of a user-friendly website showcases these images, offering public access and interaction with the artwork. These outcomes not only valid and ate my proficiency in data science but also spotlight the venture's impact in bridging AI and artistic expression. This paper will explore the capacity of AI to comprehend Chinese poetry, analyzing it through the information theory, semiotics, and other relevant perspectives. Despite its successes, the project navigates through challenges like time and financial constraints, and intellectual property limitations, which somewhat narrow the scope of AI model exploration and depth of media theory and semiotics discussion. This endeavor illuminates both the accomplishments and potential expenses for future exploration in the convergence of technology and art.

#### MEDIA AND LITERATURE REVIEW

In the development of the Verse Into Vision tool, I engaged deeply with theories from machine learning, semiotics, and information theory. This paper delves into the intriguing question: Can AI "understand" Chinese poetry? The term "understand" is multifaceted, its definition stretching across various fields. Generally, "understanding" implies interpreting or grasping the intended meaning of something. Semantically, it concerns comprehending

messages conveyed through words, sentences, and symbols within a given context. In information theory, understanding means fully receiving an entity's information, whereas, in semiotics, it involves decoding symbols to extract the message. While these definitions are vital, the focus here is not on the definitions themselves but on the word "understand" in the context of Chinese poetry, guided by these perspectives.

Chinese poetry, deeply embedded in China's profound cultural background, brings comprehension challenges. Researchers exploring interpretive methodologies have identified two main approaches related to this paper's topic. As an emerging means to analyze Chinese poetry, the statistical methods were used to model then Chinese poetry. With Weighted Personalized PageRank (WPPR) to measure the similarity between a given word and all positive and negative reference words simultaneously in a lexical network built from a poetry corpus, the emotions in words can be calculated to provide an analysis of Chinese poetry (Hou and Frank). As Hou and Frank introduced, this graphbased method considers the lexical network as a whole, allowing for a globally optimal solution in identifying sentiment orientations of words within classical Chinese poetry. This research presents a significant advancement in the computational analysis of sentiment in classical Chinese poetry, which may provide a strong and positive prove that Al/machine can understand Chinese poetry. However, like other statistical approaches that based on massive data, WPPR cannot accurately predict the metaphors in a specific poem nor provide accurate interpretation without the background of the times. Though this disadvantages still exist, more delicate data, pre-process, and more complicated model (BERT-BiLSTM-CRFs) will improve the interpretation accuracy for specific metaphors (Zhang et al.).

On the other hand, the approaches in semantics and semiology also contribute in the discussion of Al's understanding of Chinese poetry. In Huang's study, he argues to use Systemic Functional Linguistics (SFL) as a tool to help interpret and translate Chinese pome into English. This analysis highlights the complexity of translating poetic works, where choices at the level of individual words and syntax can significantly impact the conveyed imagery and emotional tone. The study ultimately underscores the value of functional linguistics in enriching translation studies, which also proves the importance of

semantics when understanding Chinese poems. With the development of machine learning, there is an increasing amount of models equipped with the functions to identify the syntax and elements of the sentences. On the other hand, analyzing ancient poetry with the principles of Saussure's semiotics and Barthes' theories allows us to break down the poetic language into three components (Cui 56-57). Firstly, the signifier, which is the language's physical aspect, like sounds or written marks. Secondly, the primary signified, which refers to the tangible things depicted in the poetry. Lastly, the secondary signified, which pertains to the meanings suggested by the mental images created by the poetry. These meanings can be further explored at both superficial and profound levels, offering a dual perspective on the poem's significance. This approach emphasizes that every sign in poetry not only presents something materially but also elicits a mental reaction, integrating the physical and the conceptual. These semiotic theories, aligning closely with the methodologies of prior statistical approaches, underscore a deep, often overlooked connection between the evolution of Al technology and the realms of semiotics and information theory.

Before delving into our discussion and addressing the central question, it's essential to clarify a widespread misunderstanding regarding the term "understand" in the context of interpreting Chinese poetry. This misinterpretation stems from a fervent quest to unlock a poem's meaning, leading to the mistaken belief that there exists a definitive "optimal" interpretation. However, Chinese poetry inherently resists such singular interpretations; the original intent of the poet remains elusive. Chinese poetry, a profound expression crafted by eminent poets, doesn't merely convey explicit messages but invites readers to explore and interpret them in their individual ways. This distinctive aspect of Chinese poetry offering readers a canvas for personal engagement and interpretation can be elucidated through information theory, imagination, and semiotics.

Based on Shannon's information theory, the focus should moved from what Chinese poetry does say to what Chinese poetry could say. The theory developed by Shannon positions communication as a sequence of symbols transmitted from sender to receiver without necessitating an understanding of the symbols' meanings (623-656). It quantifies information as the logarithmic value of potential symbol choices and utilizes the Markov

chain model, suggesting that each symbol's appearance and the conveyed information are contingent upon preceding selections. This theory implies that messages offering a greater number of decoding options inherently carry more information, especially in scenarios where multiple interpretations are equally probable. Thus, the inherent ambiguity and multiplicity of meanings in Chinese poetry elevate its information entropy, offering expansive room for imagination rather than delivering precise messages. This unique characteristic underscores the Chinese poetry's capacity to evoke a wide array of interpretations, enriching its cultural and artistic value. Interpreting Chinese poems through information theory involves reducing the poems' information entropy. This reduction process isn't a goal in itself but demonstrates that each interpretation is part of understanding the poem's broader message. This approach doesn't invalidate interpretations but rather validates them as contributions to the comprehensive understanding of the poem's full meaning.

The appreciation of Chinese poetry, as explored in the works of Zhao Guangfa and Pan Jianping, reveals a nuanced understanding of poetic images and the expansive realm of interpretation they offer. Zhao's analysis delves into the translation of metaphorical images in Chinese ancient poetry, highlighting the cognitive psychological perspective on metaphor theory. This uncover approaches the varied translation methods suitable for different metaphorical images, thus enriching the cross-cultural communication and understanding of Chinese poetic beauty (Zhao). On the other hand, Pan Jianping's discussion on the aesthetic theory of mood in Chinese ancient poetry underscores the intrinsic connection between the poetic images and the evocation of mood. The theory elucidates how Chinese poetry, steeped in profound cultural heritage, provides a vast space for imagination through its images. It categorizes images into three types, yet emphasizes that their interpretation relies on a blend of common sense and personal understanding, thus making each encounter with a poem a unique experience (Pan). These discussions collectively assert that Chinese poetry, with its deep-seated cultural roots and intricate use of images, invites readers into a space where imagination and personal interpretation play crucial roles. The act of decoding these images isn't just about uncovering a singular, intended meaning but rather about engaging with the poem in a way that is deeply personal and reflective of one's own experiences and worldview.

Chinese poetry, rich in imagery and open to interpretation, serves as an ideal medium for Sartre's theory. The poems provide 'analogons'—stimuli for the imagination that transcend their literal meanings and embody the readers' subjective experiences, knowledge, and emotions. When a reader engages with a poem, the imageries within it are not merely perceived; they are imaginatively reconstructed, imbued with personal significance and emotion. This process explains why interpretations of Chinese poetry vary so widely; each reader, drawing upon their unique reservoir of memories, feelings, and knowledge, engages in a creative act of 'quasi-observation,' projecting onto the poem an interpretation that resonates with their individual perspective. Moreover, Sartre's assertion that the ability to imagine underscores our ontological freedom highlights the liberating power of poetry. As readers encounter Chinese poetry, they are not constrained by the 'real' or the concrete; instead, they venture into realms of possibility, conjuring meanings and worlds beyond the tangible. This imaginative engagement with poetry thus becomes an exercise in freedom, allowing readers to transcend the immediacy of their surroundings and explore the vast landscapes of human experience and emotion. In essence, the act of interpreting Chinese poetry, through the lens of Sartre's philosophy, becomes a testament to the boundless nature of human creativity and the subjective construction of meaning in art.

The discussion has circled back to the insight that to "understand" Chinese poetry is, in essence, to interpret it. This interpretation involves decoding messages and reducing information entropy based on individual perspectives. Having delved into the subjective nature of interpretation through semiotics, information theory, and the imaginative framework, we stand at the threshold of a new inquiry: the capability of machines or AI to interpret Chinese poetry. This question invites us to consider the extent to which AI can navigate the complexities of language, culture, and subjective experience that define the act of interpreting poetry.

The "Toward a Semiotic Pyramid: Language Studies AI and Knowledge Exchange Economy" introduces a pioneering model that reconceptualizes the role of AI in the meaning-creation process (Poschinger and Coon). This three-dimensional semiotic pyramid not only positions AI as an active participant in the construction of meaning but

also reveals the intricate feedback loops between AI-generated utterances and the external reality shaped by digital language use and predictive texting. The implications of this model for interpreting Chinese poetry are profound, suggesting that AI could play a significant role in understanding and even influencing the interpretation of the nuanced and richly layered language of poetry. This approach opens up new avenues for exploring how AI systems could engage with the depth and subtleties of poetic expression, acknowledging the complex interplay between form, content, and cultural context.

Building on this foundational understanding, Monti delves deeper into the interrelations between cybernetics, semiotics, and AI, offering insightful perspectives on AI's potential for creative interpretation. Monti's examination of the historical trajectory of cybernetics and its impact on the conceptualization of meaning within AI systems highlights the critical challenges inherent in encoding creativity and interpretative depth. By engaging with Umberto Eco's differentiation between information and meaning, Monti underscores the intricate challenges AI faces in navigating the symbolic and often ambiguous terrains of poetry. This analysis is particularly relevant to the interpretation of Chinese poetry, where the interweaving of metaphor, historical allusion, and philosophical insight requires a nuanced understanding that goes beyond mere information processing.

Lastly, Nadin provides an in-depth exploration of how AI systems, viewed as semiotic machines, process and generate meaning through the lens of semiotics. Nadin's emphasis on the dynamic and interactive nature of semiotic processes offers a compelling framework for considering AI's interpretation of poetry. This perspective is crucial for understanding the capacity of AI to decode the complexities and subtleties of Chinese poetry, which is deeply rooted in a rich semiotic tradition. Nadin's work suggests that a deeper integration of semiotic principles into AI design could enhance the system's ability to engage with the cultural and linguistic intricacies of poetic texts.

In conclusion, while AI presents promising avenues for interpreting Chinese poetry, its success hinges on overcoming significant conceptual and technical barriers. The discussion across these papers reveals a consensus that, although AI can contribute to the process of interpretation, achieving a human-like understanding of Chinese poetry's rich semiotic landscape remains a distant goal. AI's current and near-future capabilities

may allow it to assist in interpretation, but the depth of understanding required to fully appreciate the subtleties of Chinese poetry likely remains beyond its reach without further advancements in Al's ability to process and generate meaning within the complex interplay of language, culture, and individual interpretation.

#### PROCESS, MATERIALS, AND METHODS

The inspiration of this project was driven by my personal transformation from reluctance towards learning Chinese ancient poetry, due to its traditional recitation methods, to a profound appreciation of its inherent beauty. This shift inspired the creation of a tool designed to bring these poetic works to life visually, enabling users to interact with and understand the poems on a deeper level. This tool, engineered to take a poem as input and generate an English prompt for an Al drawing model, culminates in the visual representation of the poem. The ambition was to freely interact with the rich tapestry of Chinese poetry through technology, allowing for personalization and easy image download. To showcase this tool's capabilities, the project also includes a collection of visualized Chinese poems, presented on a website where viewers can engage by rating and viewing images. Utilizing my data science background, the project encompassed coding in diverse programming languages, data management, database and website development, algorithm tuning, and meticulous design of human-computer interactions. This journey not only utilized my technical skills but also encouraged a contemplation on how algorithms interpret symbols and icons within Chinese poetry, engaging deeply with semiotic and informational theories.

#### **VERSE INTO VISION: THE VISUALIZATION TOOL**

The design of the application to visualize Chinese poetry into images involves two models: a translating model to convert Chinese poetry into English sentences, and a drawing model to transform these sentences into visual representations. Recognizing that different drawing models require specific types of instructions—for instance, Dalle prefers narrative sentences, while Stable Diffusion favors a list of descriptive words punctuated and structured distinctly—a unifying layer for input standardization is crucial. This system

integration, coupled with a user-friendly interface, enables seamless conversion from Chinese poetry to image output. The development process entailed programming the translation, processing, and drawing functionalities, followed by constructing a website to serve as the interface, encapsulating all functions within an accessible tool.

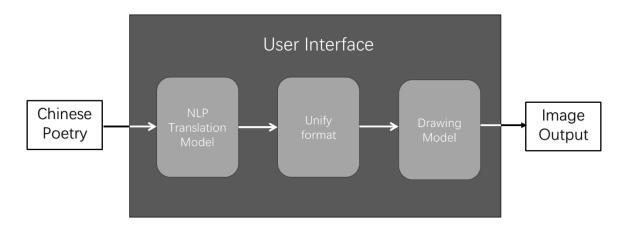


Figure 1: The Framework of Verse Into Vision

The process of programming the translation of Chinese poetry into images was an intricate journey of exploration and refinement. Starting with the Al drawing model, the ideal scenario would involve developing a custom-trained model specifically for visualizing Chinese poetry. However, accomplishing this in an individual project is nearly impossible due to constraints in time, funding, and equipment. Consequently, I explored different well-known drawing models—DALL-E, Midjourney, and Stable Diffusion—to identify the best method for visual translation. Evaluating these models based on their acquisition difficulty, cost, compatibility with Chinese poetry, and capacity for large-scale image production led to the early exclusion of Midjourney due to accessibility issues. The comparison ultimately focused on Stable Diffusion and DALL-E-2. Stable Diffusion, deployable locally, offers significant advantages in customizing image styles through various style packages. It also accepts prompt words in both Chinese and English, facilitating the input preparation. However, my attempts revealed that word segmentation models could not accurately break down sentences from ancient Chinese poems for this purpose (see Appendix A). Furthermore, Stable Diffusion struggled with ancient Chinese nouns and adjectives, let alone creating images based on them, and existing translation tools were inadequate for accurate English translations. In contrast, DALL-E-2, with its

official OpenAl API, offered easier access and greater accuracy in translating entire poems, considering contextual meaning. Adjusting DALL-E-2's style was straightforward, following guidelines from *The DALL-E 2 Prompt Book* (OpenAl, p. 16). Despite DALL-E-2's cost of approximately \$0.020 per image, its efficiency and comprehensive guidance on parameter adjustments made it the chosen model for implementing the tool, setting aside Stable Diffusion until after the prototype was completed.

To support the analysis of information theory and semiotics in relation to the tool, it's vital to go through the methodology behind the DALL-E 2 model. This exploration not only contextualizes the tool's capabilities within the broader theoretical landscape but also offers insights into the discussion between technological innovation and symbolic communication. DALL-E 2, developed by OpenAI, uses a sophisticated diffusion model conditioned on CLIP image embeddings, a technique that significantly advances the fidelity and contextual relevance of generated images from textual descriptions (Radford et al.). This model, utilizing 3.5 billion parameters, demonstrates an exceptional capability to interpret and visualize complex textual inputs into detailed and semantically accurate images (Ramesh et al.). Its operational framework is rooted in a transformative approach where text descriptions are translated into visual representations through a process that progressively refines random noise into coherent imagery, echoing the intricacies of human creativity. The training process of DALL-E 2, integrating vast datasets of textimage pairs, equips the model with a nuanced understanding of visual and textual correlations. This endows DALL-E 2 with the unique ability to produce images across a wide array of styles and compositions, from photorealistic renditions to stylized interpretations, effectively capturing the essence of the described scenes or objects (Johnson). The application of DALL-E 2 to translate Chinese poetry into visual art presented an opportunity to explore the convergence of language, culture, and Al-driven creativity. By feeding the model with carefully crafted prompts derived from the poetic texts, the project achieved results that resonate with the symbolic depth and aesthetic appeal of the original poems. Moreover, the integration of CLIP into DALL-E 2's workflow enhances the model's ability to evaluate and select the most appropriate visual outputs based on textual prompts, ensuring that the generated images not only align with the descriptive content but also uphold artistic and cultural fidelity. This nuanced translation

from text to image underscores the project's innovative use of AI to bridge traditional artistic domains with cutting-edge technology, offering a fresh lens through which to appreciate the timeless beauty of Chinese poetry.

Central to the methodology is the translation model that parsed the essence of the poetry. focusing on capturing the objects, emotions, and scenes described. I developed a dynamic script to transform Chinese verses into English prompts, optimized for an Al drawing model's interpretation. However, the quest for an ideal language model for this task proved challenging. Given the selection of DALL-E 2 as the drawing model, the language model needed to accurately convey not just the poem's basic content but also its mood, composition, and color tones. During the exploration in Stats 302 (Appendix A), it was found that existing NLP models like Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA) could identify themes and emotions through the analysis of word vectors. Yet, the precision of these models fell short of the requirements for this application. To enhance accuracy, manual labeling became indispensable, rendering these smaller language models insufficient for translating Chinese poetry with precise emotional and object recognition. Additionally, constructing a composition reflective of the poem's narrative proved difficult for the current models. Consequently, Large Language Models (LLM) such as GPT, LaMDA, and LLaMA emerged as the leading candidates for translating ancient Chinese poetry and generating the descriptive text prompts for DALL-E 2. Considering both convenience and API consistency, I opted for the GPT model as the language model. Through various tests, both GPT-3.5 and GPT-4.0 demonstrated the capability and processing speed to accomplish the task with comparable outcomes. Given the cost-efficiency, GPT-3.5 was selected for extensive usage to optimize budget allocation. This decision was influenced by the balance between performance and cost, ensuring the project remained within financial constraints while achieving the desired quality in translating and visualizing Chinese poetry.

The GPT model operates on the transformer architecture, which employs attention mechanisms to weigh the importance of different words in a sentence, enabling it to predict the next word in a sequence. This model is trained on vast datasets of text, learning patterns, and structures of language. During training, it adjusts its internal

parameters (weights) to minimize the difference between its predictions and the actual outcomes. This process allows the GPT model to generate coherent and contextually relevant text based on the input it receives. For more details, please refer to the original sources. To elucidate the process by which GPT's Large Language Model (LLM) transforms Chinese poetry into English prompts for DALL-E 2, an understanding of its complex algorithms and extensive dataset training is imperative. The GPT employs a sophisticated understanding of linguistic structures, cultural nuances, and semantic depths inherent in the poetry, facilitated by its training on a diverse corpus of texts. This enables it to accurately capture and translate the essence, tone, and imagery of Chinese poems into coherent English prompts. Such prompts are then utilized by DALL-E 2 to generate visual representations that are not only contextually relevant but also deeply resonant with the original poetic vision. For example, in the translation process for "远芳 侵古道,晴翠接荒城" GPT's Large Language Model first analyzes the text, identifying key elements such as "distant fragrance," "ancient path," "bright greenery," and "desolate city." It then synthesizes these elements into a coherent English prompt that reflects the poetic imagery and mood. An illustrative result might be, "A distant fragrance invades the ancient path, where bright greenery meets the remnants of a desolate city," showcasing the model's capacity to maintain the poetic essence,

Once the translation and drawing models are chosen, the implementation code is crafted using Python and its libraries: 'openai' for model interactions and 'wget' for image downloads. The program begins by setting up the OpenAl API key, initiating the process to convert poetry into visual art. It prompts the GPT-3.5 model to analyze a given Chinese poem, extracting and interpreting objects, emotions, and the overall setting described within the text. This prompt is carefully crafted to ensure the output is succinct yet descriptive, adhering to a limit of 1000 characters. The program then leverages this refined text to instruct the DALL-E model, resulting in a visual representation that captures the essence of the poem, including specific colors, positions, and ancient Chinese stylistic elements, without including text or watermarks. The outcome is an image and a URL linking to the generated image, demonstrating the production achieved by the combination of two Al models.

Through meticulous tuning and experimentation, including adjustments to prompts for clarity and thematic accuracy, I enhanced the script's ability to generate prompts that align with the poem's imagery. The initial prompt sent to the GPT-3.5 model was broad and vague: 'Take this Chinese poem and turn it into a detailed text prompt within 1000 letters (including space and marks) for DALLE to draw a painting without watermark or text on it:'. To refine the content GPT should generate, including theme color and emotion, I revised the prompt hundreds of times and tested the results. Despite the improved second version appearing and testing well, it faltered during small batch production tests due to its length causing the GPT model to lose focus on key tasks, such as the length limitation and translation. Additionally, since GPT model billing is based on tokens—parts of or entire words (e.g., "GPT" counts as one token)—a longer prompt significantly increases costs. Consequently, the third prompt version was streamlined: 'Take a Chinese poem to analyze the objects in it and the emotions or feelings that the poem describe. Turn it into a text prompt less than 1000 letters for DALLE. The prompt must be shorter than 1000 letters (including space). Describe objects in the picture with their color and their position in the picture. Then, give a brief description about what the background should look like (color and scene). Also, don't forget this is a Chinese poem, so the view and buildings and other things should look like ancient Chinese style. There should not be any text and watermark in this generated image. Here is the Chinese poem:'. Trimming just a few words significantly altered the output. The script successfully integrates the analysis of poetic elements with the generation of detailed, contextually rich visual prompts, ensuring that the resulting images are imbued with the poem's atmospheric and stylistic nuances. As an example, here is a poetic prompt that the code generated corresponding to "远芳 侵古道晴翠接荒城":

The distant fragrance invades the ancient pathway,

As clear and verdant scenery connects with the abandoned city.

The vibrant blooms and their sweet scent,

Permeate the air, a reminder of days long gone.

The winding pathway, worn with time,

Symbolizes the passage of years, of memories left behind.

Surrounded by lush, green vegetation,

A serene and peaceful atmosphere fills the air.

In the background, a deserted city stands,
With crumbling walls and dilapidated buildings,
Nestled amidst rolling hills and mountains,
Painted in shades of emerald green.

The sky above is clear and bright,

The sun shining down, casting a warm golden glow.

A moment frozen in time, evoking nostalgia,

And a sense of tranquility that lingers in the air.

In this scene from ancient China,

The beauty of nature and the remnants of the past,

Merge together in a harmonious embrace,

Creating a picture of timeless beauty and serenity.

This delicate balance of technology and creative insight resulted in a collection of images that not only represent the poem's visual narrative but also embrace the aesthetic and

cultural depth of ancient Chinese settings, devoid of any modern elements or anachronisms.

In order to implement the whole blueprint of the project as quickly as possible instead of wasting time struggling on the part of the content, I implemented the user interface through the website instead of developing software for different platforms. The web user interface is developed using Flask, a lightweight WSGI web application framework in Python, to offer a user-friendly tool. Flask enables the creation of web applications with minimal setup, integrating Python functions with HTML through templating. This setup allows users to interact with the application via a webpage, where they can input text to generate images. The Flask application handles requests, processes input using the 'generated\_image' function, and dynamically updates the webpage with the generated image and prompt, enhancing accessibility and engagement for users.

#### "IN POETRY, PAINTINGS; IN PAINTINGS, POETRY" — WORK COLLECTIONS

To showcase the capabilities and quality of Verse Into Vision, the tool was applied to create visual interpretations of Wang Wei's poetry from Quan Tang Shi. This endeavor resulted in a collection of 1053 images for 351 poems, with each poem inspiring three distinct images. This extensive compilation demonstrates the tool's potential for wider public utilization and affirms the high quality of its outputs. The collection's title, "In Poetry, Paintings; In Paintings, Poetry" is inspired by the accolades for Wang Wei, symbolizing the interplay between his poetry and the Verse Into Vision tool.

This collection of works uses Wang Wei's poems for the following reasons. First, Su Shi, the great poet of the Song Dynasty, once said in 《东坡题跋·书摩诘〈蓝田烟雨图〉》 ("Dongpo Inscription-Shu Mojie's 'Lantian Misty Rain Picture'"): "味摩诘之诗,诗中有画;观摩诘之画,画中有诗。" It means carefully reviewing the poems of Wang Wei (also known as Mojie), His poems seem to contain pictures. When viewing Wang Wei's paintings, you can feel the elegant artistic conception like poetry. Wang Wei is both a poet and a painter. His achievement is not only being good at poetry and painting but also melting and then organically combining poetry and painting in art through his other works. His poems represent a major school of ancient Chinese poetry - the landscape pastoral

school (山水田园派). In terms of discovering the beauty of nature, they can not only describe majestic and majestic scenery in general, but also depict the dynamics of natural things in detail; they have special insights into the observation of natural scenery and can skillfully capture the scenery that is suitable for expressing their life taste. Thus, Wang Wei's poem is naturally suitable for this project as the landscape pastoral school poems contain lots of descriptions of the scenes. Second, Wang Wei's works are almost included in Quan Tang Shi — "Complete Tang Poems", which allows them to be well preserved and read. "Complete Tang Poems" was compiled in the 44th year of the reign of Emperor Kangxi of the Qing Dynasty (1705), based on Hu Zhenheng's 《唐音统签》("Tang Yin Tong Qian") of the Ming Dynasty and 《唐诗》("Tang Poems") of Ji Zhenyi of the Qing Dynasty (Sturgeon). Down to the smallest details. The book consists of more than 900 volumes and contains more than 48,900 poems by more than 2,200 poets. Luckily, Quan Tang Shi was found with completely electronic version and included in a GitHub repository 'chinese-poetry', which reduced the difficulty in searching and process data. At the same time, Wang Wei and his large number of works have also proved to us that the tool Verse Into Vision has the ability to handle large-volume workloads.

To create the database for the collection "In Poetry, Paintings; In Paintings, Poetry" the electronic version of Quan Tang Shi from the "chinese-poetry" GitHub repository was utilized. This repository contains poems divided into 900 JSON files corresponding to the anthology's volumes. Each JSON file structures the data into categories like author, title, and content, among others. Using Python and Pandas, these files were merged, filtering for essential data such as author, title, and poem content. Traditional characters were converted to simplified ones using the zhconv library, and the results were stored in a CSV file. Specifically targeting Wang Wei's poems, a new CSV file was generated to serve as the foundation for creating the collection. This methodical approach underscores the project's technical and artistic endeavor to bridge ancient Chinese poetry with contemporary digital art forms, ensuring both accuracy and cultural integrity in the process.

To integrate the processes of selecting the most poetic sentences from Wang Wei's poems and visualizing them, I developed a comprehensive approach. Initially, I

encountered challenges when inputting entire poems for visualization due to their complex content and length. This led to the decision to limited the focus on individual sentences to ensure clarity and effectiveness in the visual representation. By implementing a loop in Python, I utilized the GPT 3.5 model to select the most evocative sentences within each poem. Subsequently, these selected sentences were processed through another loop, employing the Verse Into Vision tool to generate three distinct images per sentence. This choice was informed by observing the high variability in DALL-E 2's output, where producing multiple images per sentence offered a broader range of visual interpretations and enhanced the overall quality of the collection. Each generated image was meticulously cataloged with a descriptive prompt used for the drawing model and named according to a structured format: the poem's title, the chosen sentence, and an index number. This methodical approach facilitated efficient storage, easy searchability, and practical use of the images, thereby optimizing the tool's capability to visually interpret and celebrate the essence of Wang Wei's poetry.

With over a thousand images to showcase, the challenge of presenting them in an engaging manner arose. Various strategies were considered: initially, a selection of images was published as a photo album, and subsequently, a digital gallery was created to enable specific image searches. Yet, these methods lacked interactive engagement with audiences. Aiming for a presentation format that enhances viewer enjoyment and interaction, the idea emerged to incorporate user ratings to gauge the visualization's accuracy and compare machine versus human interpretation. Inspired by dating app interfaces, the collection "In Poetry, Paintings; In Paintings, Poetry" was thus presented. Utilizing a simple logic, individual images are displayed on the website alongside pertinent details (author, title, corresponding poem sentences) and options to 'like' or 'dislike'. This approach not only facilitates interactive engagement but also allows for image ranking based on user preferences, offering a unique and interactive presentation method while collecting valuable feedback.

#### WEBSITES DEPLOYMENT

The deployment process involved leveraging Flask to construct the websites, making deployment straightforward. The initial plan was to deploy on a server within Duke

Kunshan University's intranet for ease of access and enhanced security. However, encountering issues with DKU's network proxy blocking access to OpenAl's API interfaces, the deployment shifted to Duke University's virtual machine. This adjustment provided dual benefits: seamless integration within the Duke intranet, including DKU, and unrestricted access to necessary APIs. The deployment was tested from November 11th to 17th, inviting peer feedback on both the Verse Into Vision tool and the digital works collection "In Poetry, Paintings; In Paintings, Poetry".

#### **FURTHER EXPLORATION**

Throughout the creative process, I experimented with the impact of different types of poems on image outcomes. Additionally, encouraged by suggestions from peers, I explored using modern Chinese poetry for image generation to observe potential differences. This process led to numerous intriguing experiments by both my peers and me, fostering exactly the kind of diverse interactions between ancient poetry and artificial intelligence that I had envisioned. Unfortunately, due to time constraints and other factors, many of these remarkable attempts could not be included in this paper.

#### FINAL OUTCOME

The outcomes of this project primarily include a web tool "Verse Into Vision," a collection of AI-generated artworks based on the poems of Wang Wei titled "In Poetry, Paintings; In Paintings, Poetry," and a website designed to display the collection and gather user feedback. Due to the complexity of this project and the extensive documentation involved, all programs, databases, and the generated collection have been uploaded to a GitHub repository. This section will only partially showcase my achievements; for more detailed information, please visit my <u>GitHub repository</u> (Appendix B).

#### **VERSE INTO VISION: THE VISUALIZATION TOOL**

Here is the screenshot of the tool.

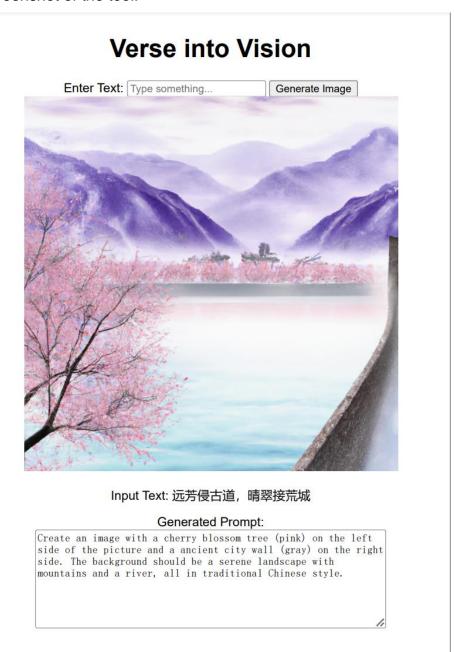


Figure 2: The Screenshot of Verse Into Vision

As depicted in Figure 1, the interface includes a text box designated for entering Chinese poetry. Upon clicking the "Generate Image" button, the input poem and the resulting image is displayed at the center of the webpage, accompanied by the specific text prompt utilized for its creation.

#### "IN POETRY, PAINTINGS; IN PAINTINGS, POETRY" — WORK COLLECTIONS

In the collection, I've gathered six intriguing images. While they might not always perfectly represent the essence of the poems, they convey meaningful messages or offer a touch of humor.

Six images picked form the "In Poetry, Paintings; In Paintings, Poetry.":

- 1. Image generated based on 《酬比部杨员外暮宿琴台朝跻书阁率尔见赠之作》:"桃源迷汉姓,松树有秦官".(Figure 3)
- 2. Image generated based on 《冬夜书怀》:"草白霭繁霜,木衰澄清月".(Figure 4)
- 3. Image generated based on 《奉和圣制暮春送朝集使归郡应制》:"杨花飞上路,槐色荫通沟".(Figure 5)
- 4. Image generated based on 《洛阳女儿行》: "洛阳女儿对门居,才可容颜十五余".(Figure 6)
- 5. Image generated based on 《慕容承携素馔见过》:"纱帽乌皮几,闲居懒赋诗".(Figure 7)
- 6. Image generated based on《寓言二首》:"骊驹从白马,出入铜龙门".(Figure 8)

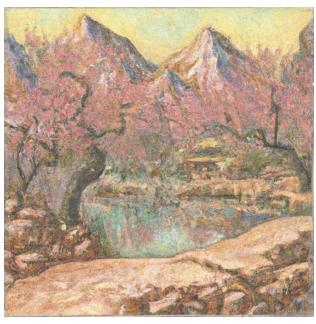


Figure 4: 桃源迷汉姓, 松树有秦官



Figure 3: 草白霭繁霜,木衰澄清月



Figure 7: 杨花飞上路,槐色荫通沟



Figure 8: 洛阳女儿对门居,才可容颜十五余



Figure 6: 纱帽乌皮几,闲居懒赋诗



Figure 5: 骊驹从白马,出入铜龙门

The first three images depict sceneries from different seasons, showcasing the poems' content with precision and beauty. However, the subsequent three images encounter various types of errors, primarily due to issues with the visualization model. The DALL-E model faced challenges in detailing the facial features of a fifteen-year-old girl in Figure 6. In Figure 7, a Chinese official's cap is mistakenly rendered as a Western hat, likely because the DALL-E model's training set lacks data on Chinese official caps. Observation

of the prompt database suggests that in Figure 8, DALL-E struggled to distinguish between the imagery of a white horse and Longmen, resulting in a white dragon's portrayal. This issue is also partly due to the translation model; a more accurate translation of the "Longmen" (Dragon Gate) imagery might have prevented this error.

#### **VOTING WEBSITE FOR WORK COLLECTIONS**

Here is a screenshot for the voting website to present work collection and collect user feedbacks:



Figure 9: The Screenshot for Voting Website

The interface features two buttons that allow users to express their appreciation or lack thereof for each image, alongside the pertinent poem details. Upon selecting either option, the user's choice is logged on the server, and a new image, chosen at random, is displayed for their consideration.

#### REFLECTIONS

In the capstone of this project, the innovative tool developed for visualizing Chinese poetry as imagery, alongside the meticulously curated collection "In Poetry, Paintings; In Paintings, Poetry," marks a significant stride in bridging the realms of artificial intelligence (AI), art, and literature. This endeavor illuminates the potential of AI to delve into the nuanced domain of Chinese poetry, offering interpretations that resonate with the complexity and richness of this literary form. Through the discussions of machine learning, semiotics, and information theory, the research navigates the multifaceted concept of "understanding" in the context of poetry, dissecting the layers of meaning that define the poetic experience.

Drawing upon diverse methodological approaches, including statistical modeling and semiotic analysis, this work explores the capacity of AI to engage with the interpretive challenges presented by Chinese poetry. The employment of techniques of the models shows the evolving landscape of computational linguistics and its application to the arts. Moreover, the incorporation of Systemic Functional Linguistics and semiotic frameworks emphasizes the importance of semantics and symbolism in the translation and interpretation of poetic texts.

The discussion extends into the theoretical debates surrounding the interpretation of poetry, challenging the traditional constraints of understanding and opening up a space for a plurality of meanings. Inspired by Shannon's information theory, the project posits that interpretation is an act of navigating information entropy, where each reading contributes to a broader comprehension of the poem's message. This perspective is further enriched by the exploration of poetic imagery and mood, revealing the intricate relationship between language, imagination, and cultural context.

The project's success in generating a vast collection of images from Wang Wei's poetry not only demonstrates the practical application of AI in the arts but also engages with critical theoretical discussions on the nature of meaning, interpretation, and the human-AI interface in creative processes. This synthesis of theoretical insight and technological innovation invites a reevaluation of AI's role in understanding and interpreting the layered nuances of Chinese poetry, marking a significant contribution to the fields of digital humanities and AI research.

Reflecting on the research question of Al's capabilities with Chinese poetry, it becomes clear that neither Al nor humans can fully grasp the entire context of Chinese poetry. However, Al's ability to interpret Chinese poetry is discussed with theories and proved with the implementation of Verse into Vision. For Al, advancing in understanding the historical context, poets' backgrounds, and the intricacies of ancient Chinese language represents significant areas for development. These are critical for achieving nuanced interpretations that resonate more profoundly with human perspectives and cultural insights. For humans, engaging with Al-generated interpretations can offer new angles and understandings, enriching the dialogue between technology and traditional literature. Thus, the journey into interpreting Chinese poetry with Al highlights not only the limitations but also the potential for cross-disciplinary growth and the continuous quest for deeper understanding.

Looking ahead, the intersection of AI, Chinese poetry, and philosophy beckons for more profound exploration to enrich our understanding of this multifaceted topic. My ambition to not only employ but also innovate within language models for translating Chinese poetry signals a groundbreaking direction for future research. Imagining and perhaps even developing a bespoke model tailored specifically for the nuances of Chinese poetic expression could unveil new layers of interpretation and artistic rendition, particularly through specialized AI-driven drawing models that capture the essence of poetic imagery. This journey has also been a mirror, reflecting personal limitations and gaps in knowledge and skills. Yet, it's these realizations that carve the path for growth and learning. Inspired by the challenges encountered during this signature work, the commitment to deepen my knowledge base and enhance my technical skills becomes a cornerstone for future

endeavors. This venture into the uncharted territories of AI and Chinese poetry not only promises to extend the boundaries of current understanding but also to personally transform, guided by the lessons learned and the infinite possibilities that lie ahead in bridging technology with the timeless beauty of Chinese poetry.

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### **APPENDICES**

APPENDIX A: STAT 303 Final Project Document (The Jupyter Notebook File)

## Tang Shi (Tang Dynasty Poem) Analysis

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#### Introduction

The whole notebook file will seperated into following parts:

- Build a CSV database of Quan Tang Shi
- Visualization of the database
- NLP processing of poems
- · Visualization of the result
- Discussion and summary

#### Setup

```
In [70]: import numpy as np
          import pandas as pd
          import os
          import json
          from zhconv import convert
          import copy
          from pprint import pprint
          import matplotlib
          import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
          from wordcloud import WordCloud
          import jieba
          import stanza
          import thulac
          import gensim
          import gensim.corpora as corpora
          from gensim.utils import simple_preprocess
          from gensim.models import CoherenceModel
          from gensim import corpora, models, similarities
```

#### Build the CSV database based on JSON files

#### Introduction of the data and database

The data source I use is from the GitHub project: <a href="https://github.com/chinese-poetry/chinese-poetry">https://github.com/chinese-poetry/chinese-poetry</a>. This project uses the web scraping method to get different kinds of Chinese poems including Tang poems and make them into separate JSON files. Thus, this project gives me the perfect database I need so that I do not need to find additional APIs or do more web scraping to get the data. Moreover, this data source is permitted for private uses and commercial use, which allows me to make full use of it. However, I still need to sort the database to filter out useful information for my project and read JSON files into CSV files.

According to the description (see README files in folder) of the database, the Quan Tang Shi is stored and sorted in volumes of original sequences of books. This means that we have a total of 900 volumes that contain about 48,900 poems.

In the JSON files, each poem is stored by: title, author, biography, paragraphs, notes, volume, and number. Here is an example in volume 1:

```
"title": "飲馬長城窟行",
   "author": " 李世民",
   "biography": "",
   "paragraphs": [
      "塞外悲風切, 交河冰已結。瀚海百重波, 陰山千里雪。",
      "迥戍危烽火,層巒引高節。悠悠卷旆旌,飲馬出長城。",
      "寒沙連騎跡,朔吹斷邊聲。胡塵清玉塞,羌笛韻金鉦。",
      "絕漠干戈戢, 車徒振原隰。都尉反龍堆, 將軍旋馬邑。",
      "揚麾氛霧靜,紀石功名立。荒裔一戎衣,靈台凱歌入。"
   ],
   "notes": [
      ....
   ],
   "volume": "卷一",
   "no#": 2
}
```

Combined with the project needs, we need to screen out the title, author, and paragraphs.

#### References of the original data sourses:

中國哲學書電子化計劃《御定全唐詩》影印古籍

中國哲學書電子化計劃《全唐詩》

國學原文 全唐詩 卷795

維基文庫 《御定全唐詩》 (四庫全書本)/卷795/%E5%8D%B7795#)

#### Get the dirctory and find all data files' name

Here we can examine that we have 900 files.

## With the name list, now we can import the data from json files into pd Dataframe

Before that, we need to make the paragraphs (a list of String) into one String, otherwise the pd Dataframe will store every sentences seperately instead of store

them poem by poem. This might influence the analyze result, which require us to fix this problem while forming the database. Here is an example:

```
poems[1]['paragraphs']
Out[73]: ['塞外悲風切,交河冰已結。瀚海百重波,陰山千里雪。',
         '迥戍危烽火,層巒引高節。悠悠卷旆旌,飲馬出長城。
         '寒沙連騎跡,朔吹斷邊聲。胡塵清玉塞,羌笛韻金鉦。'
         '絕漠干戈戢,車徒振原隰。都尉反龍堆,將軍旋馬邑。',
        '揚麾氛霧靜,紀石功名立。荒裔一戎衣,靈台凱歌入。']
       The case we do not unite the paragraphs:
In [74]: dic = dict([key,poems[1][key]] for key in filter)
        temp_df = pd.DataFrame(data = dic)
        temp_df
Out[74]:
               title author
                                                  paragraphs
        0 飲馬長城窟行 李世民 塞外悲風切,交河冰已結。瀚海百重波,陰山千里雪。
        1 飲馬長城窟行 李世民 迥戍危烽火,層巒引高節。悠悠卷旆旌,飲馬出長城。
        2 飲馬長城窟行 李世民 寒沙連騎跡,朔吹斷邊聲。胡塵清玉塞,羌笛韻金鉦。
        3 飲馬長城窟行 李世民 絕漠干戈戢,車徒振原隰。都尉反龍堆,將軍旋馬邑。
        4 飲馬長城窟行 李世民 揚麾氛霧靜,紀石功名立。荒裔一戎衣,靈台凱歌入。
       The case that we unite them:
In [75]: dic = dict([key,poems[1][key]] for key in ['title','author'])
        dic['paragraphs'] = ''.join(poems[1]['paragraphs'])
        temp_df = pd.DataFrame(data = dic, index = [0])
       temp df
Out[75]:
              title author
                                                                        paragraphs
          飲馬長城窟
                          塞外悲風切,交河冰已結。瀚海百重波,陰山千里雪。迥戍危烽火,層巒引高節。悠悠卷旆
                   字世民
                                                                      旌, 飲馬出長...
                行
```

#### **Build dataframe**

In [73]: test\_dic = directory + '\\001.json'

filter = ['title', 'author', 'paragraphs']

poems = json.load(file)

with open(test\_dic, 'r',encoding='utf-8') as file:

Although some libraries and models of NLP like jieba and stanza works for both traditional and simplified Chinese, we will take simplified Chinese as the language type since it is easier to be read and understood by us. Thus we need to use the zhconv library to convert traditional Chinese into simplified Chinese.

```
poems = json.load(file)

## Read poems one by one

for poem in poems:

    dic = {}

    dic['title'] = convert(poem['title'], 'zh-hans')

    dic['author'] = convert(poem['author'], 'zh-hans')

    dic['paragraphs'] = convert(''.join(poem['paragraphs']), 'zh-hans')

    temp_df = pd.DataFrame(data = dic, index = [n])

    n += 1

    poem_df = pd.concat([poem_df,temp_df])

print(n)

poem_df.to_csv('quan_tang_shi.csv', mode = 'w', encoding="utf-8_sig")
```

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# Now we can examine the database and amount of poems

In [77]:	poem_df.shape[0]							
Out[77]:	43103							
In [78]:	poem_df.sample(10)							
Out[78]:		title	author	paragraphs				
	10573	送陆三出尉	钱起	春草晚来色,东门愁送君。盛才仍下位,明代负奇文。且乐神仙道,终随鸳鹭群。梅生寄黄绶,不日在青云。				
	14183	送魏州李相公	王建	百代功勋一日成,三年五度换双旌。闲来不对人论战,当朝面受新恩去,算 料妖星不敢生。				
	1607	杂曲歌辞: 古曲五首	施肩吾	可怜江北女,惯唱江南曲。摇荡木兰舟,双凫不成浴。郎为匕上香,妾为笼 上灰。归时虽暖热,去罢生尘				
	18394	茅舍	元稹	楚俗不理居,居人尽茅舍。茅苫竹梁栋,茅疏竹仍罅。边缘堤岸斜,诘屈檐 楹亚。篱落不蔽肩,街衢不容				
	22814	鱼上冰	王季则	北陆收寒尽,东风解冻初。冰消通浅溜,气变跃潜鱼。应节似知化,扬鬐任 所如。浮沉非乐藻,沿溯异传				
	32890	赠念经僧	周朴	庵前古折碑,夜静念经时。月皎海霞散,露浓山草垂。鬼闻抛故冢,禽听离寒枝。想得天花坠,馨香拂白眉。				
	8031	府舍月游	韦应物	官舍耿深夜,佳月喜同游。横河俱半落,泛露忽惊秋。散彩疏群树,分规澄 素流。心期与浩景,苍苍殊未收。				
	30965	送友人归江南	聂夷中	泉州五更鼓,月落西南维。此时有行客,别我孤舟归。上国身无主,下第诚 可悲。				
	7704	自巩洛舟行入黄河即事, 寄府县僚友	韦应物	夹水苍山路向东,东南山豁大河通。寒树依微远天外,为报洛桥游宦侣,扁 舟不系与心同。				
	13674	唐昌观玉蕊花	杨凝	瑶华琼蕊种何年,萧史秦嬴向紫烟。时控彩鸾过旧邸,摘花持献玉皇前。				

# Load the database

In [79]:		<pre>poems = pd.read_csv('quan_tang_shi.csv', index_col=[0]) poems.head()</pre>							
Out[79]:		title	author		paragraphs				
	0	帝京篇十首	李世民	秦川雄帝宅,函谷壮皇居。绮殿干寻起,离宫百雉余	。连薨遥接汉,飞观迥凌虚。云日隐层 阙,风烟出绮				
	1	饮马长城窟 行	李世民	塞外悲风切,交河冰已结。瀚海百重波,阴山千里雪。	。迥戍危烽火,层峦引高节。悠悠卷旆 旌,饮马出长				
	2	执契静三边	李世民	执契静三边,持衡临万姓。玉彩辉关烛,金华流日镜	。无为宇宙清,有美璇玑正。皎佩星连 景,飘衣云结				
	3	正日临朝	李世民	条风开献节,灰律动初阳。百蛮奉遐赆,万国朝未央。	。虽无舜禹迹,幸欣天地康。车轨同八 表,书文混四				
	4	幸武功庆善 宫	李世民	寿丘惟旧迹,酆邑乃前基。粤予承累圣,悬弧亦在兹	。弱龄逢运改,提剑郁匡时。指麾八荒 定,怀柔万国				

# Play with data

Before we implement NLP models and other methods to analyze these poems, we decided to discover the database first.

# Most "Hard Working" Poet

We use groupby function and sort function to see who produce most poems in Quan Tang Shi

```
In [80]: poet_produce_rank = poems.groupby('author').count().sort_values(by = 'title', ascending=False
poet_produce_rankhead(10)
```

Out[80]: title paragraphs

author		
白居易	2642	2642
杜甫	1158	1158
李白	896	896
不详	842	842
齐己	783	783
刘禹锡	703	703
元稹	593	593
李商隐	555	555
贯休	553	553
韦应物	551	551

In [81]: 2642/poems.shape[0]

Out[81]: 0.06129503746838967

According to the result, we can see that Juyi Bai produce 2642 poems that makes him produce 6.13% of poems in Quan Tang Shi.

In [82]: font\_path="MSYH.TTC"



# Title distribution

Now we use groupby function to see what is the most popular title that poets liked to use

```
In [83]: title_rank = poems.groupby('title').count().sort_values(by = 'paragraphs', ascending=False)
   title_rank.head(10)
```

```
Out[83]: author paragraphs
```

title		
句	567	567
古意	39	39
长门怨	33	33
七夕	30	30
塞下曲	27	27
牡丹	27	27
柳	25	25
送别	25	25
从军行	23	23
行路难	22	22

```
In [84]: font_path="MSYH.TTC"

WC = WordCloud (width = 3840, height = 2160, background_color = "royalblue", max_words = 200,
```

```
colormap = "Set2", relative_scaling = 0.75 ,font_path=font_path)

WC.generate_from_frequencie&poet_produce_rank['paragraphs'])

plt.figure(figsize = (12, 7))
plt.axis("off")
plt.imshow(WC)
# plt.savefig("Title_rank.png")
plt.show()
```



# **NLP Pre Processing**

References: 23\_NLP\_preprocessing

# 1. Text segementation models

Based on the understanding of the database we have, now we are going to do the NLP analysis of the data. Like what we learned in the class, NLP of Chinese poem also follow the step of standarlize data, split the words and then do the manipulation and anlysis. However, different from English sentences, Chinese sentence do not have space between words, which require us to split the sentences with the help of text segementation function like jieba, stanza (Stanford) and THULAC (Tsinghua)

Now we need to compare these three models and decide which one we are going to use, here we use 将进酒(君不见黄河之水天上来 ) as an example to compare them

URL: https://github.com/fxsjy/jieba

```
In [86]: for sentence in sentences:
    ls = jieba.lcut(sentence)
    print('/'.join(ls))
    print()
```

Building prefix dict from the default dictionary ...
Loading model from cache C:\Users\YANTAO~1\AppData\Local\Temp\jieba.cache
Loading model cost 0.631 seconds.
Prefix dict has been built successfully.
君不见/黄河/之水/天上/来/,/奔流/到/海不复/回

君不见/高堂/明镜/悲/白发/,/朝如/青丝/暮成/雪

人生/得意/须尽欢/,/莫使/金尊空/对/月

天生我材必有用/,/岑/夫子/,/丹丘/生/,/将进酒/,/杯莫停

与/君歌/一曲/,/古来/圣贤/皆/寂寞/,/惟有/饮者/留其名

陈王/昔时/宴/平乐/,/五花马/,/千金/裘/,/呼儿/将/出换/美酒/,/与尔同销/万古愁

#### Advantages:

- Can split words like "天上" (sky) and "须尽欢" (need to indulge)
- The seperation of words keeps the original meaning from the sentence like "天生我才必有用" (no one is useless), is actually an classic saying in China. It helps to analysis the words' meaning and function to the poem.

#### Disadvantages:

• Some words are seperated with error like "莫使/金尊空/对/月" should be "莫使/金尊/空/对月" (Don't waste the wine in the golden cup and staring at the moon in a daze).

#### stanza

**URL:** https://stanfordnlp.github.io/stanza/

```
In [ ]: ### Download the model (http://nlp.stanford.edu/software/stanza/1.0.0/złhans/default.zip)
# stanza.download('zh')
```

```
In [87]: nlp = stanza.Pipeline('zh')
```

2023-03-06 16:48:50 INFO: Checking for updates to resources.json in case models have been updated. Note: this behavior can be turned off with download\_method=None or download\_method=DownloadMethod.REUSE\_RESOURCES

Downloading https://raw.githubusercontent.com/stanfordnlp/stanzaresources/main/resources\_1. 4.1.json: 0% ...

```
2023-03-06 16:48:51 INFO: "zh" is an alias for "zh-hans"
         2023-03-06 16:48:53 INFO: Loading these models for language: zh-hans (Simplified_Chinese):
         _____
         | Processor | Package |
         | tokenize | gsdsimp
| pos | gsdsimp
| lemma | gsdsimp
         | depparse | gsdsimp
| sentiment | ren
         constituency ctb
         ner ontonotes
         _____
         2023-03-06 16:48:53 INFO: Use device: cpu
         2023-03-06 16:48:53 INFO: Loading: tokenize
         2023-03-06 16:48:53 INFO: Loading: pos
         2023-03-06 16:48:54 INFO: Loading: lemma
         2023-03-06 16:48:54 INFO: Loading: depparse
         2023-03-06 16:48:54 INFO: Loading: sentiment
         2023-03-06 16:48:55 INFO: Loading: constituency
         2023-03-06 16:48:55 INFO: Loading: ner
         2023-03-06 16:48:56 INFO: Done loading processors!
In [88]: doc = nlp(poem.iloc[2])
In [89]: for sent in doc.sentences:
             # print("Sentence: " + sent.text) # original
             print("Tokenize: " + '/'.join(token.text for token in sent.tokens)) # seperation
```

Tokenize: 君/不/见/黄河/之/水/天/上/来/,/奔/流/到/海/不/复回/。

Tokenize: 君/不/见/高/堂/明/镜/悲/白/发/,/朝/如/青/丝/暮/成雪/。

Tokenize: 人生/得意/须/尽欢/,/莫/使/金/尊/空对/月/。

Tokenize: 天生/我/材必/有用/,/岑/夫子/,/丹丘/生/,/将/进酒/,/杯/莫停/。

Tokenize: 与/君歌/一/曲/, /古/来/圣/贤/皆/寂/寞/, /惟/有/饮者/留/其/名/。

Tokenize: 陈/王/昔/时/宴/平乐/,/五/花/马/,/干金/裘/,/呼儿/将/出换/美/酒/,/与/尔同销万/古愁/。

#### Advantages:

It seperate every sentences into accurate smallest unit of words.

#### Disadvantages:

Some segementation is wrong.

- The seperation is too detailed. To help you understand, you can see that almost every one character
- or two in Chinese poem works like an English words that stands for a meaning. For example, "高/堂/明/镜/" (large / room / bright/ mirror). However, if you group them together like "高堂/明镜" (large room / bright mirror), with this seperation, the word "高堂" can be understand as (parent).

Seperation of sentences, especially in Chinese poem, plays a vital role while analyzing and undersanding the poems.

#### **THULAC**

URL: https://github.com/thunlp/THULAC-Python

```
In [90]: thu = thulac.thulac(seg_only=True)
```

```
In [91]:

for sentence in sentences:
    text = thu.cut(sentence, text=True)
    print(text)

君 不 见 黄河 之 水 天上 来 , 奔流 到 海 不 复 回君
    不见 高堂明镜 悲白发 , 朝 如 青丝 暮 成 雪
    人生 得意 须 尽欢 , 莫 使 金尊空 对 月
    天生我材必有用 , 岑夫子 , 丹丘生 , 将 进酒 , 杯 莫 停与
    君歌 一 曲 , 古 来 圣贤 皆 寂寞 , 惟有饮者 留 其 名
    陈王昔时 宴平乐 , 五花马 , 干金裘 , 呼儿 将 出 换 美酒 , 与尔 同 销万 古 愁
```

#### Advantages:

- This model actually is similar to jieba, which keeps more important words instead of split them into a smaller part, like "高堂明镜".
- . Have an auto filter

#### Disadvantages:

The mistakes is too much compare to jieba.

### Conclusion (for text segementation)

With the observation and analysis after trying to seperate several poems with these models, I choose **jieba** as the model to do text segmentation as it can split out most of important words and has less error compare to other models.

# 2. Text segementation

Read segmentation file

```
In [93]: file = open('Segemented_Poem.txt)
    sentences = [line.strip('\n') for line in file.readlines()]
```

# 3. Dictionary of tokens

#### References: 23\_NLP\_Preprocessing

```
In [94]: TokenDict = dict ()
         def build_token_dict_from_text(text, Dict):
             StandardText = text
             Set = StandardText.split(" ")
             for Element in Set:
                 if (len(Element) == 0):
                     continue
                 if (Element in Dict):
                     Dict[Element] = Dict[Element] + 1
                     Dict[Element] = 1
             return
          for sentence in sentences:
             build_token_dict_from_text(text=sentence, Dict = TokenDict )
         print("Length of Dictionary: ", len ( TokenDict ) )
          # print(sorted(TokenDict.items(), key=lambda x: x[1], reverse= True))
         Length of Dictionary: 284922
In [95]: print(TokenDict['兮'])
         print(TokenDict['花'])
         927
         878
```

#### 4. Lemmatisation

Since Chinese wrods don't have word form, we will skip this step. For example "你/吃/饭/了吗" (Did you eat lunch?), "我/吃/了" (I ate lunch already). Two "吃" here both means eat but do not different form.

# 5. Remove stop words

Resources:

- stop words databse from github: https://github.com/goto456/stopwords
- 23 Notebook

```
In [96]: file2 = open('stop_words.txt')
stopwords = [line.strip('\n') for line in file2.readlines()]
print(stopwords)
```

据', '软', '正值', '正如', '正五', '此', '此地', '此处', '此外', '此时', '此次', '地间', '毋宁', '每', '每当', '比', '比风', '比如', '比方', '没奈何', '治', '法高', '漫说', '焉', '然则', '然后', '然而', '照', '照', '认担', '比如', '比方', '没奈何', '治', '治青', '漫说', '焉', '然则', '然后', '然而', '照', '照', '说且', '说自', '甚且', '甚么', '甚或', '甚而', '甚至', '甚至于', '用', '用来', '由', '由于', '由是', '由此可见', '的', '的确', '的话', '直到', '相对而言', '省得', '看', '管', '类如', '紧接着', '纵', '纵使', '纵然', '经', '经过', '结果', '等', '等别', '等', '等别', '等', '简言之', '管', '类如', '紧接着', '纵', '纵使', '纵然', '经', '经过', '结果', '给', '继之', '继后', '继后', '继后', '继后', '张否', '两言', '自', '自', '自', '自', '自是', '而后', '而后', '而后', '而所', '而后', '而后', '而所', '而后', '而后', '而所', '而已', '部元', '能否', '接', '望7', '般的', '若, '若夫', '若是', '若果', '若非', '净不然', '莫如', '莫若', '至子', '至子', '至子', '至不然', '要么', '要是', '等如', '连对', '证就力', '诚对', '诚然', '该', '设来', '接看', '接看', '接看', '接和', '谁知', '被死', '赖以', '抵和', '被死', '起见', '这不来', '这个', '这么点', '这点', '还要', '这一来', '这个', '这处', '这么些', '这么样', '这么点儿', '这些', '还是', '还有', '还就是说', '这一来', '这个', '这么', '这么些', '这么样', '这么点儿', '这些', '还是', '还就过', '这就是说', '这一来', '这个', '这处', '这么些', '这么样', '这么点儿', '这些', '还是', '通过', '遵照', '进门', '这个', '这从', '这处', '这从', '这上', '还是', '添步', '通过', '遵循', '遵明', '那文', '那个', '那不', '那不', '那不', '那不', '那不', '那是', '那是', '那是', '那我儿', '那别', '那不', '那好', '那好', '那是', '那我儿', '那好', '和', '和', '

```
In [97]: def remove_stopwords_from_dict( Dict, StopwordList ):
    DictEx = copy.deepcopy(Dict)
    for Key in list ( DictEx.keys () ):
        if (Key in StopwordList ):
            del DictEx[Key]
    return (DictEx)
```

```
TokenCleanDict = remove_stopwords_from_dict(TokenDict, stopwords)
In [98]: print("Length of Dictionary: ", len ( TokenCleanDict ) )
Length of Dictionary: 284483
```

# 6. visualize the token frequency using a word cloud



# LDA processing bags of words

Glove is hard to install, I wish to doword vectors -\_-

# Creat word bag

```
', ' in fenci
In [121...
Out[121]: False
In [122... id2word = corpora.Dictionary(fenci)
           corpus = [id2word.doc2bow(word) for word in fenci]
           print(corpus[:1])
          [[(0, 1), (1, 1), (2, 1), (3, 1), (4, 1)]]
          Try to train LDA model with 30 topics
In [123... | lda_model = gensim.models.ldamodel.LdaModel(corpus=corpus,
                          id2word=id2word,
                          num_topics=30,
                          # random_state=100,
                          # update_every=1,
                          # chunksize=100,
                          # passes=10,
                          # alpha='auto',
                          # per_word_topics=True
```

In [126... pprint(lda\_model.print\_topics(num\_words=10))

```
[(11,
  '0.055*"空" + 0.042*"香" + 0.034*"山" + 0.034*"相逢" + 0.030*"何人" + 0.026*"残" + '
 '0.024*"无限" + 0.024*"苔" + 0.023*"日月" + 0.017*"帏"'),
 '0.132*"欲" + 0.054*"清" + 0.038*"诗" + 0.036*"久" + 0.035*"轻" + 0.030*"惊" + '
 '0.028*"明" + 0.020*"天地" + 0.017*"居" + 0.014*"何如"'),
 (19,
  '0.102*"道" + 0.057*"皆" + 0.025*"传" + 0.023*"会" + 0.019*"卷" + 0.018*"乍" + '
 '0.018*"鹤" + 0.018*"绕" + 0.012*"罗" + 0.012*"迥"'),
(2,
 '0.106*"时" + 0.062*"恨" + 0.039*"棹" + 0.036*"明月" + 0.029*"晚" + 0.025*"身" + '
 '0.021*"天涯" + 0.017*"郡" + 0.017*"穿" + 0.014*"自有"'),
(25,
 '0.059*"路" + 0.033*"霜" + 0.032*"当时" + 0.027*"树" + 0.022*"名" + 0.021*"乾坤" + '
 '0.019*"偏" + 0.019*"千年" + 0.016*"画" + 0.015*"千载"'),
(16,
 '0.042*"云" + 0.040*"隔" + 0.034*"初" + 0.029*"莺" + 0.026*"分明" + 0.022*"独" + '
 '0.020*"风吹" + 0.018*"古" + 0.015*"不觉" + 0.014*"何曾"'),
 '0.094*"年" + 0.056*"事" + 0.045*"人间" + 0.041*"闲" + 0.032*"绿" + 0.031*"在" + '
 '0.020*"澹" + 0.018*"流水" + 0.018*"歇" + 0.017*"笙歌"'),
 '0.126*"更" + 0.047*"客" + 0.045*"水" + 0.039*"有" + 0.029*"外" + 0.026*"闻" + '
 '0.022*"岁" + 0.020*"爱" + 0.017*"散" + 0.013*"虚"'),
(28,
 '0.061*"新" + 0.059*"深" + 0.045*"吾" + 0.029*"正" + 0.028*"冷" + 0.027*"回首" + '
 '0.025*"意" + 0.025*"夜" + 0.020*"兼" + 0.017*"不能"'),
(21,
 '0.051*"春风" + 0.048*"寒" + 0.033*"东风" + 0.028*"尘" + 0.023*"作" + 0.020*"阙" + '
 '0.017*"沉沉" + 0.016*"折" + 0.016*"西" + 0.014*"绮"'),
(1,
  '0.052*"斜" + 0.048*"似" + 0.043*"落" + 0.040*"应" + 0.037*"情" + 0.020*"拂" + '
 '0.017*"无心" + 0.015*"遥" + 0.011*"变" + 0.010*"谒"'),
  '0.075*"不知" + 0.049*"倚" + 0.041*"寄" + 0.035*"吹" + 0.029*"乱" + 0.023*"可怜" + '
 '0.022*"言" + 0.019*"卧" + 0.019*"断" + 0.014*"足"'),
 '0.046*"花" + 0.045*"碧" + 0.045*"便" + 0.044*"风" + 0.037*"为" + 0.030*"不" + '
 '0.028*"相" + 0.027*"玉" + 0.024*"掩" + 0.021*"风流"'),
 '0.045*"酒" + 0.040*"烟" + 0.037*"金" + 0.034*"秋风" + 0.033*"声" + 0.020*"家" + '
 '0.019*"今朝" + 0.016*"楼" + 0.013*"翡翠" + 0.011*"元"'),
 '0.067*"□" + 0.058*"惆怅" + 0.050*"干里" + 0.041*"谁" + 0.037*"欹" + 0.032*"暖" + '
 '0.023*"忆" + 0.020*"阑" + 0.017*"离别" + 0.011*"从来"'),
 '0.102*"日" + 0.034*"僧" + 0.032*"犹" + 0.025*"近" + 0.018*"遂" + 0.017*"行人" + '
 '0.014*"凤凰" + 0.014*"浮云" + 0.014*"佳人" + 0.013*"有余"'),
 '0.053*"老" + 0.052*"今日" + 0.052*"坐" + 0.030*"砌" + 0.024*"鬓" + 0.023*"长安" + '
 '0.022*"非" + 0.020*"色" + 0.020*"寂寥" + 0.016*"悲"'),
(15,
 '0.181*"月" + 0.046*"出" + 0.037*"笑" + 0.034*"难" + 0.031*"知" + 0.030*"不可" + '
 '0.018*"成" + 0.018*"低" + 0.017*"鸾" + 0.017*"忘"'),
(27,
  '0.038*"寻" + 0.035*"罢" + 0.027*"迟" + 0.026*"蝉" + 0.023*"转" + 0.023*"早" + '
 '0.022*"横" + 0.021*"春色" + 0.018*"珠帘" + 0.017*"紫"'),
(6,
 '0.063*"春" + 0.049*"处" + 0.048*"长" + 0.047*"心" + 0.047*"是" + 0.024*"三" + '0.021*"书" + 0.020*"分" + 0.020*"江南" + 0.017*"不堪"')]
```

## Find the Perplexity and Coherence Score

• Perplexity: is a statistical measure of how well a probability model predicts a sample. This is calculated by splitting the dataset into two, train and test documents.

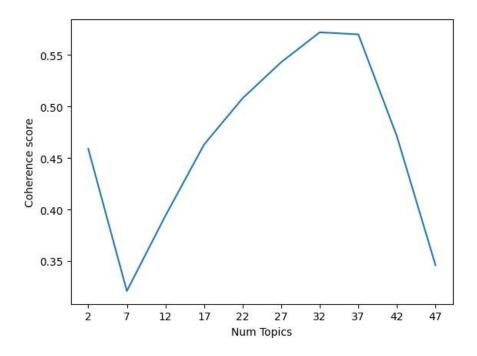
- Intuition: higher likelihood implies a better model
- Coherence Score: is used for assessing the quality of the learned topics.
  - Intuition: topic is good if the word constituting the topic co-occur together. The score is used for deciding the required number of topics in the model.
- References: <a href="https://pahulpreet86.github.io/standard-metrics-for-lda-model-comparison/">https://pahulpreet86.github.io/standard-metrics-for-lda-model-comparison/</a>

```
In [127... print('Perplexity: ', lda_model.log_perplexity(corpus))
    coherence_model_lda = CoherenceModel(model=lda_model, texts=fenci, dictionary=id2word, cohere
    coherence_lda = coherence_model_ldaget_coherence()
    print('Coherence Score: ', coherence_lda)

Perplexity: -36.67794154148063
    Coherence Score: 0.5628651210588521
```

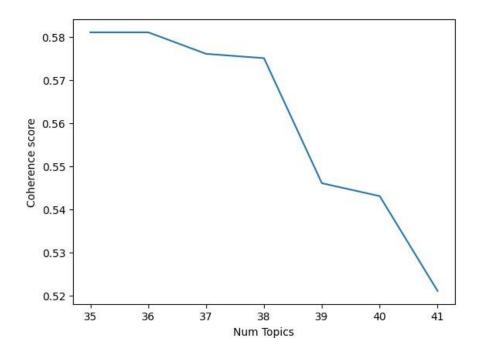
# Find the optimal theme amount

```
coherence_values = []
In [138...
           model_list = []
           for num_topics in range(2,52,5):
               lda_model = gensim.models.ldamodel.LdaModel(corpus=corpus,
                               id2word=id2word,
                               num_topics=num_topics,
                               # random_state=100,
                               # update_every=1,
                               # chunksize=100,
                               # passes=10,
                               # alpha='auto',
                               # per_word_topics=True
               model_list.append(lda_model)
               coherencemodel = CoherenceModel(model=lda_model, texts=fenci, dictionary=id2word, coherencemodel
               coherence_valuesappend(round(coherencemodelget_coherence(),3))
In [139... x = range(2,52,5)
           plt.plot(x, coherence_value)
           plt.xlabel("Num Topics")
           plt.ylabel("Coherence score")
           plt.xticks(x)
           plt.savefig('Best_model_rough.png)
           plt.show()
```



# We run it again to find the accurate value

```
coherence_values_d = []
In [140...
            model_list_d = []
            for num_topics in range(35,42):
                 lda_model = gensim.models.ldamodel.LdaModel(corpus=corpus,
                                   id2word=id2word,
                                   num_topics=num_topics,
                                   # random_state=100,
                                   # update_every=1,
                                   # chunksize=100,
                                   # passes=10,
                                   # alpha='auto',
                                   # per_word_topics=True
                 )
                model_list_d append(lda_model)
coherencemodel_d = CoherenceModel(model=lda_model, texts=fenci, dictionary=id2word, coher
                 coherence\_values\_dappend(round(coherencemodel\_dget\_coherence(),3))
           x = range(35,42)
In [141...
            plt.plot(x, coherence_values_d)
plt.xlabel("Num Topics")
            plt.ylabel("Coherence score")
            plt.xticks(x)
plt.savefig('Best_model_detailed.png)
            plt.show()
```



### Coherence values to see the detailed information

# Now we can see the optimal value for topics amount is 36

#### **Best Theme**

```
[(35,
  '0.068*"出" + 0.039*"久" + 0.039*"住" + 0.036*"外" + 0.029*"无限" + 0.028*"迟" + '
 '0.025*"作" + 0.021*"西风" + 0.018*"西" + 0.017*"又" + 0.016*"青" + 0.016*"带"'),
 '0.081*"小\" + 0.074*"客" + 0.041*"闰" + 0.037*"向" + 0.026*"散" + 0.023*"曲" + '
 '0.022*"紫" + 0.017*"马" + 0.016*"收" + 0.013*"游" + 0.011*"披" + 0.011*"图"'),
(3,
  '0.120*"春" + 0.039*"分明" + 0.036*"兼" + 0.030*"不能" + 0.025*"移" + 0.016*"一点" + '
 '0.015*"麝" + 0.012*"神" + 0.011*"一半" + 0.008*"帅" + 0.008*"炒影" + 0.006*"牛"'),
(19,
 '0.048*"莺" + 0.045*"书" + 0.042*"风流" + 0.018*"何须" + 0.018*"窥" + 0.015*"林下" + '
 '0.013*"断续" + 0.012*"礼" + 0.012*"黍" + 0.011*"缕" + 0.008*"卮" + 0.008*"扊"'),
(16,
 '0.092*"不知" + 0.051*"酒" + 0.037*"晚" + 0.033*"残" + 0.030*"传" + 0.029*"可怜" + '
 '0.026*"独" + 0.023*"弦" + 0.017*"俱" + 0.014*"叶" + 0.013*"月华" + 0.013*"识"'),
(8,
 '0.248*"月" + 0.050*"高" + 0.039*"落" + 0.039*"诗" + 0.023*"思" + 0.021*"送" + '
 '0.015*"立" + 0.013*"竟" + 0.011*"灯" + 0.010*"镜" + 0.010*"君子" + 0.010*"变"'),
 '0.080*"深" + 0.072*"梦" + 0.070*"空" + 0.043*"岂" + 0.036*"旧" + 0.030*"江南" + '
 '0.023*"乾坤" + 0.022*"花落" + 0.018*"弄" + 0.018*"三干" + 0.016*"帐" + 0.013*"属"'),
 '0.079*"清" + 0.075*"人间" + 0.052*"在" + 0.036*"长安" + 0.019*"寒食" + 0.017*"春来" + '
 '0.015*"遍" + 0.014*"勿" + 0.012*"清明" + 0.011*"阳春" + 0.011*"呈" + 0.010*"樽"'),
(27,
 '0.173*", " + 0.044*"犹" + 0.042*"重" + 0.028*"逢" + 0.024*"偏" + 0.020*"何必" + '
 '0.016*"不须" + 0.014*"光" + 0.013*"依稀" + 0.012*"咫尺" + 0.011*"几多" + 0.009*"凄凄"'),
 '0.084*"事" + 0.054*"入" + 0.051*"问" + 0.025*"枝" + 0.024*"郡" + 0.023*"今朝" + '
 '0.016*"罗" + 0.015*"干万" + 0.015*"殿" + 0.013*"风光" + 0.012*"便是" + 0.012*"求"'),
  '0.072*"愁" + 0.060*"听" + 0.058*"醉" + 0.047*"烟" + 0.042*"莫" + 0.037*"归去" + '
  '0.032*"柳" + 0.029*"会" + 0.017*"足" + 0.015*"迥" + 0.013*"山川" + 0.010*"泣"'),
  '0.076*"红" + 0.058*"便" + 0.050*"暮" + 0.043*"白" + 0.042*"天" + 0.039*"寻" + '
 '0.039*"不" + 0.033*"当时" + 0.023*"流水" + 0.014*"唱" + 0.010*"迎" + 0.009*"学"'),
 '0.117*"见" + 0.106*"道" + 0.034*"东风" + 0.033*"相" + 0.033*"吟" + 0.026*"日月" + '
 '0.025*"将" + 0.023*"言" + 0.020*"卧" + 0.019*"帏" + 0.016*"春光" + 0.015*"绮"'),
 '0.065*"倚" + 0.057*"回" + 0.049*"绿" + 0.024*"乍" + 0.024*"行人" + 0.019*"浮云" + '
 '0.016*"文章" + 0.013*"一朝" + 0.013*"谢" + 0.011*"夸" + 0.011*"荷" + 0.011*"题诗"'),
 '0.080*"皆" + 0.041*"三" + 0.029*"寂寥" + 0.020*"城" + 0.020*"合" + 0.020*"想" + '
 '0.018*"尽日" + 0.017*"秋色" + 0.017*"昨日" + 0.015*"到" + 0.015*"九" + 0.015*"剑"'),
 '0.060*"香" + 0.057*"万里" + 0.041*"暖" + 0.026*"疏" + 0.024*"忽" + 0.019*"何如" + '
 '0.017*"珠" + 0.016*"池塘" + 0.013*"李" + 0.012*"玄" + 0.012*"扫" + 0.012*"借问"'),
 '0.083*"雨" + 0.078*"垂" + 0.033*"忆" + 0.028*"天下" + 0.021*"陪" + 0.021*"蓬莱" + '
 '0.017*"平" + 0.016*"捧" + 0.015*"群" + 0.010*"无为" + 0.007*"嫩" + 0.006*"珰"'),
 '0.058*"闲" + 0.054*"似" + 0.050*"生" + 0.047*"共" + 0.038*"帘" + 0.032*"近" + '
 '0.023*"拂" + 0.019*"频" + 0.017*"栊" + 0.016*"余" + 0.015*"婵娟" + 0.015*"通"'),
  '0.063*"难" + 0.033*"青山" + 0.030*"翠" + 0.026*"阴" + 0.023*"石" + 0.018*"走" + '
 '0.018*"白发" + 0.015*"可惜" + 0.015*"南" + 0.014*"元" + 0.013*"袅袅" + 0.012*"孤舟"'),
 '0.130*"中" + 0.064*"远" + 0.060*"长" + 0.055*"路" + 0.042*"云" + 0.033*"砌" + '
 '0.029*"意" + 0.023*"忘" + 0.021*"鸟" + 0.020*"卷" + 0.019*"动" + 0.016*"没"')]
```

# Conclusion for LDA part

As we can see here, the best theme is grouped by many topics. Inside these topics, we can see that each topics is build by key words. Each keyword contributes a certain weight to the topic, and the weight reflects the contribution of the keyword to the subject. For example, in topic 11, we can see that the

word "路"(road) and "酒"(wine) have a heavy weight, which we can infer that this topic might related to someone who is on the road or poet are farewell friends. It is acutally an good model that some topics is understandable and significant.

# With LDA, we again compare three kinds of text segemntation

### **Jieba**

The model with 30 topics has the perplexity and coherence Score as:

```
In [135... print('Perplexity: ', optimal_modellog_perplexity(corpus))
    coherence_model_lda = CoherenceModel(model=optimal_model, texts=fenci, dictionary=id2word, co
    coherence_lda = coherence_model_ldaget_coherence()
    print('Coherence Score: ', coherence_lda)

Perplexity: -45.777008744749686
Coherence Score: 0.5901818539336339
```

```
Coherence Score: 0.5901818539336339
          Stanza
In [109...
          nlp = stanza.Pipeline('zh')
          2023-03-06 21:15:55 INFO: Checking for updates to resources.json in case models have been upd
          ated. Note: this behavior can be turned off with download_method=None or download_method=Dow
          nloadMethod.REUSE_RESOURCES
          {\tt Downloading } \quad {\tt https://raw.githubusercontent.com/stanfordnlp/stanz} \\ {\tt aramesources\_1.}
          4.1.json:
                      0%|
          2023-03-06 21:15:56 INFO: "zh" is an alias for "zh-hans"
          2023-03-06 21:15:58 INFO: Loading these models for language: zh-hans (Simplified_Chinese):
           _____
          | Processor | Package |
          tokenize | gsdsimp
| pos | gsdsimp
| lemma | gsdsimp
| depparse | gsdsimp
| sentiment | ren
           | constituency | ctb
           ner ontonotes
           _____
          2023-03-06 21:15:58 INFO: Use device: cpu
          2023-03-06 21:15:58 INFO: Loading: tokenize
          2023-03-06 21:15:58 INFO: Loading: pos
          2023-03-06 21:15:59 INFO: Loading: lemma
          2023-03-06 21:15:59 INFO: Loading: depparse
          2023-03-06 21:15:59 INFO: Loading: sentiment
          2023-03-06 21:16:00 INFO: Loading: constituency
          2023-03-06 21:16:00 INFO: Loading: ner
          2023-03-06 21:16:01 INFO: Done loading processors!
          with open('Segemented_Poem_stanza.txt','w') as file:
In [116...
               for index, poem in poems.iterrows():
                   doc = nlp(poem['paragraphs'])
                   for sentence in doc.sentences:
                       s = ' '.join(token.text for token in sentence.tokens if token.text not in [', ','
```

```
if not s == '':
    file.write(s)
    file.write('\n')
```

```
KevboardInterrupt
                                          Traceback (most recent call last)
d:\File\2023 Spring\STAT 302\Final Project\final project.ipynb 单元格 106 in <cell line: 1>()
      <a href='vscode-notebook-cell:/d%3A/File/2023_Spring/STAT_302/Final_Project/final_proje</pre>
ct.ipynb#Y224sZmlsZQ%3D%3D?line=0'>1</a> with open('Segemented_Poem_stanza.txt','w') as file:
      <a href='vscode-notebook-cell:/d%3A/File/2023_Spring/STAT_302/Final_Project/final_proje</pre>
ct.ipynb#Y224sZmlsZ0%3D%3D?line=2'>3</a> for index, poem in poems.iterrows():
---> <a href='vscode-notebook-cell:/d%3A/File/2023_Spring/STAT_302/Final_Project/final_proje
ct.ipynb#Y224sZmlsZQ%3D%3D?line=4'>5</a>
                                                 doc = nlp(poem['paragraphs'])
      <a href='vscode-notebook-cell:/d%3A/File/2023_Spring/STAT_302/Final_Project/final_proje</pre>
ct.ipynb#Y224sZmlsZQ%3D%3D?line=6'>7</a>
                                                for sentence in doc.sentences:
     <a href='vscode-notebook-cell:/d%3A/File/2023_Spring/STAT_302/Final_Project/final_proje</pre>
ct.ipynb#Y224sZmlsZQ%3D%3D?line=8'>9</a>
                                                   s = ' '.join(token.text for token in sen
tence.tokens if token.text not in [', ','. ','? ','; ',': ','! '])
File d:\Anaconda\lib\site-packages\stanza\pipeline\core.py:408, in Pipeline.__call__(self, do
c, processors)
   407 def __call__(self, doc, processors=None):
           return self.process(doc, processors)
File d:\Anaconda\lib\site-packages\stanza\pipeline\core.py:397, in Pipeline.process(self, do
c, processors)
   395
           if self.processors.get(processor_name):
    396
               process = self.processors[processor_name].bulk_processif bulk else self.proc
essors[processor name].process
--> 397
               doc = process(doc)
   398 return doc
File d:\Anaconda\lib\site-packages\stanza\pipeline\constituency_processor.py:66, in Constitue
ncyProcessor.process(self, document)
    63 if self._tqdm:
    64 words = tqdm(words)
---> 66 trees = trainer.parse_tagged_words(self._model.model,words, self._batch_size)
    67 document.set(CONSTITUENCY, trees, to_sentence=True)
    68 return document
File d:\Anaconda\lib\site-packages\stanza\models\constituency\trainer.py:900, in parse_tagged
_words(model, words, batch_size)
    897 model.eval()
   899 sentence_iterator = iter(words)
--> 900 treebank = parse_sentences(sentence_iterator, build_batch_from_tagged_words, batch_si
ze, model)
    902 results = [t.predictions[0].tree for t in treebank]
   903 return results
File d:\Anaconda\lib\site-packages\torch\autograd\grad_mode.py:27, in _DecoratorContextManage
r.__call__.<locals>.decorate_context(*args, **kwargs)
    24 @functools.wraps(func)
    25 def decorate context(*args, **kwargs):
26  with self.clone():
---> 27
               return func(*args, **kwargs)
File d:\Anaconda\lib\site-packages\stanza\models\constituency\trainer.py:856, in parse_senten
ces(data_iterator, build_batch_fn, batch_size, model, best)
    854 while len(tree_batch) > 0:
            _, transitions = predict(tree_batch)
    855
            tree_batch = parse_transitions.bulk_apply(model, tree_batch, transitions)
--> 856
    858
            remove = set()
            for idx, tree in enumerate(tree_batch):
File d:\Anaconda\lib\site-packages\stanza\models\constituency\parse_transitions.py:614, in bu
lk_apply(model, tree_batch, transitions, fail)
   611
           return tree batch
   613 new_transitions = model.push_transitions([tree.transitionsfor tree in tree_batch], t
ransitions)
--> 614 new_constituents = model.push_constituents(constituents, new_constituents)
   616 tree_batch = [state._replace(num_opens=state.num_opens+ transition.delta_opens(),
                                     word_position=word_position,
```

```
618
                                     transitions=transition_stack,
                                     constituents=constituents)
    619
                      for (state, transition, word_position, transition_stack, constituents)
    620
                      in zip(tree_batch, transitions, word_positions, new_transitions, new_co
    621
nstituents)1
    623 return tree_batch
File d:\Anaconda\lib\site-packages\stanza\models\constituency\lstm_model.py:744, in LSTMMode
1.push_constituents(self, constituent_stacks, constituents)
    742 hx = torch.cat([current_node.lstm_hxfor current_node in current_nodes], axis=1)
    743 cx = torch.cat([current_node.lstm_cxfor current_node in current_nodes], axis=1)
--> 744 output, (hx, cx) = self.constituent_lstm(constituent_input,(hx, cx))
    745 # Another possibility here would be to use output[0, i, :]
    746 # from the constituency lstm for the value of the new node.
   747 # This might theoretically make the new constituent include
   (\ldots)
    752 # 150 epochs: 0.8971 to 0.8953
   753 # 200 epochs: 0.8985 to 0.8964
   754 new_stacks = [stack.push(ConstituentNode(constituent.value,constituents[i].tree_hx,
hx[:, i:i+1, :], cx[:, i:i+1, :]))
                      for i, (stack, constituent) in enumerate(zip(constituent_stacks, consti
tuents))]
File d:\Anaconda\lib\site-packages\torch\nn\modules\module.py:1190, in Module._call_imp{sel
f, *input, **kwargs)
   1186 # If we don't have any hooks, we want to skip the rest of the logic in
   1187 # this function, and just call forward.
   1188 if not (self._backward_hooks or self._forward_hooks or self._forward_pre_hooks or _gl
obal_backward_hooks
   1189
               or _global_forward_hooks or _global_forward_pre_hooks):
            return forward_call(*input, **kwargs)
-> 1190
  1191 # Do not call functions when jit is used
   1192 full_backward_hooks, non_full_backward_hooks = [], []
File d:\Anaconda\lib\site-packages\torch\nn\modules\rnn.py:774, in LSTM.forward(self, input,
hx)
    772 self.check_forward_args(input, hx, batch_sizes)
    773 if batch_sizes is None:
--> 774
           result = _VF.lstm(input, hx, self._flat_weights, self.bias, self.num_layers,
                              self.dropout, self.training, self.bidirectional, self.batch_fir
    775
st)
    776 else:
            result = VF.lstm(input, batch sizes, hx, self. flat weights, self.bias,
    777
                              self.num_layers, self.dropout, self.training, self.bidirectiona
    778
1)
KeyboardInterrupt
```

Stanza is **tooooo slow**: 20 mins for only 4000 sentences (we have total 203037 sentences). Thus we deside to only compare THULAC and jieba

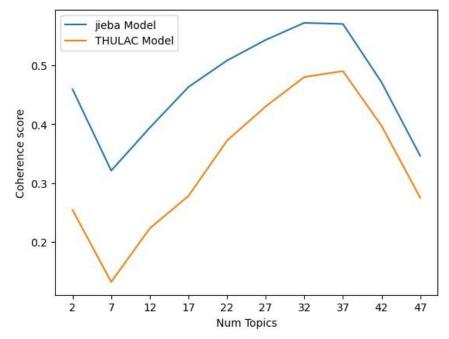
#### **THULAC**

```
s = ' '.join([text[0] for text in texts if not text[0] == ', '])
if not s == '':
    file.write(s)
    file.write('\n')
```

### We do all things again in LDA

```
file2 = open('Segemented_Poem_THULAC.txt)'
In [130...
           sentences2 = [line.strip('\n') for line in file2.readlines()]
          stop words
In [131...
         fenci2 = []
           for sentence in sentences2:
              keys = sentence.split(' ')
              for key in keys:
                   if key in stopwords:
                       keys.remove(key)
              fenci2.append(keys)
In [132...
         id2word2 = corpora.Dictionary(fenci2)
           corpus2 = [id2word2.doc2bow(word) for word in fenci2]
           print(corpus2[:1])
          [[(0, 1), (1, 1), (2, 1), (3, 1), (4, 1), (5, 1)]]
          coherence_values2 = []
In [136...
           model_list2 = []
           for num_topics in range(2,52,5):
              lda_model = gensim.models.ldamodel.LdaModel(corpus=corpus2,
                               id2word=id2word2,
                               num_topics=num_topics,
                               # random state=100,
                               # update_every=1,
                               # chunksize=100,
                               # passes=10,
                               # alpha='auto',
                               # per_word_topics=True
              model_list2.append(lda_model)
              coherencemodel2 = CoherenceModel(model=lda_model, texts=fenci2, dictionary=id2word2, cohe
              coherence_values2append(round(coherencemodel2get_coherence(),3))
In [142... x = range(2,52,5)
           for m, cv in zip(x, coherence_values2):
              print("Num Topics =", m, " has Coherence Value of", round(cv, 4))
          Num Topics = 2 has Coherence Value of 0.254
          Num Topics = 7 has Coherence Value of 0.132
          Num Topics = 12 has Coherence Value of 0.223
          Num Topics = 17 has Coherence Value of 0.278
          Num Topics = 22 has Coherence Value of 0.372
          Num Topics = 27 has Coherence Value of 0.43
          Num Topics = 32 has Coherence Value of 0.48
          Num Topics = 37 has Coherence Value of 0.49
          Num Topics = 42 has Coherence Value of 0.397
          Num Topics = 47 has Coherence Value of 0.275
```

```
In [143...
plt.plot(x, coherence_values,label='jieba Model')
plt.plot(x,coherence_values2,label='THULAC Model')
plt.xlabel("Num Topics")
plt.ylabel("Coherence score")
plt.xticks(x)
plt.legend()
# plt.savefig('Competition.png')
plt.show()
```



```
In [145... optimal_model2 = model_list2[7]
  model_topics2 = optimal_model2show_topics(formatted=True)
  pprint(optimal_model2print_topics(num_words=12))
```

```
'0.013*"山色" + 0.013*"明年" + 0.012*"寒食" + 0.011*"扇" + 0.010*"北风" + 0.010*"均"'),
           (25,
            '0.154*"开" + 0.044*"鸟" + 0.027*"自" + 0.022*"鸡" + 0.021*"深处" + 0.020*"谣" + '
            '0.020*"功" + 0.015*"独立" + 0.013*"绝" + 0.013*"遭" + 0.012*"海上" + 0.012*"周"'),
           (9,
             '0.141*"来" + 0.095*"愁" + 0.092*"风" + 0.060*"香" + 0.058*"清" + 0.053*"能" + '
            '0.034*"含" + 0.015*"霳" + 0.013*"上" + 0.011*"引" + 0.009*"浅" + 0.007*"哦"'),
           (17.
            '0.118*"长" + 0.045*"常" + 0.038*"久" + 0.036*"苦" + 0.028*"江南" + 0.024*"光" + '
            '0.021*"两风" + 0.020*"乡" + 0.018*"八" + 0.015*"离别" + 0.014*"恐" + 0.014*"只"'),
           (28.
            '0.149*"花" + 0.097*"难" + 0.089*"罗" + 0.063*"闻" + 0.052*"吹" + 0.045*"秋" + '
            '0.043*"酒" + 0.022*"发" + 0.021*"言" + 0.018*"居" + 0.013*"逐" + 0.011*"已"'),
           (8,
            '0.111*"初" + 0.051*"偏" + 0.036*"变" + 0.033*"种" + 0.025*"齐" + 0.023*"叶" + '
            '0.019*"殷勤" + 0.018*"把" + 0.017*"封" + 0.010*"弃" + 0.006*"远近" + 0.005*"羽客"'),
           (22,
            '0.218*"更" + 0.075*"去" + 0.062*"空" + 0.058*"莫" + 0.047*"听" + 0.028*"般" + '
            '0.020*"龙" + 0.017*"必" + 0.016*"好" + 0.013*"虎" + 0.013*"唯" + 0.011*"迟迟"'),
            '0.118*"雨" + 0.055*"书" + 0.051*"会" + 0.045*"觉" + 0.034*"将" + 0.032*"散" + '
            '0.023*"暂" + 0.022*"复" + 0.021*"驻" + 0.014*"腰" + 0.012*"何须" + 0.011*"停"'),
           (30,
            '0.096*"君" + 0.076*"正" + 0.068*"行" + 0.051*"胜" + 0.042*"泪" + 0.042*"残" + '
            '0.039*"在" + 0.037*"百" + 0.027*"竟" + 0.025*"烧" + 0.017*"杯" + 0.008*"欢"'),
            '0.137*"共" + 0.043*"登" + 0.041*"穷" + 0.027*"先生" + 0.023*"兴" + 0.016*"勿" + '
            '0.015*"四海" + 0.013*"仙" + 0.012*"驾" + 0.012*"呈" + 0.011*"颜色" + 0.011*"咫尺"'),
           (2,
            '0.128*"云" + 0.061*"南" + 0.042*"低" + 0.028*"渐" + 0.023*"黄金" + 0.022*"雾" + '
            '0.020*"动" + 0.019*"伊" + 0.018*"赏" + 0.015*"扫" + 0.014*"由" + 0.012*"融"'),
           (11.
            ---, '0.157*"入" + 0.072*"情" + 0.052*"白云" + 0.048*"愿" + 0.042*"明月" + 0.035*"全" + ''0.030*"何人" + 0.026*"迎" + 0.023*"碧" + 0.016*"窗" + 0.009*"隐" + 0.002*"秦川"'),
           (16.
            '0.218*"时" + 0.070*"醉" + 0.055*"旧" + 0.054*"寄" + 0.052*"真" + 0.045*"逢" + '
            '0.031*"四" + 0.025*"令" + 0.024*"绕" + 0.017*"卧" + 0.015*"稀" + 0.014*"今朝"'),
           (29.
            '0.078*"事" + 0.072*"便" + 0.067*"皆" + 0.054*"外" + 0.050*"名" + 0.034*"多" + '
            '0.022*"过" + 0.019*"行人" + 0.018*"系" + 0.017*"合" + 0.014*"石" + 0.013*"乐"'),
           (15.
            '0.204*"家" + 0.091*"重" + 0.071*"坐" + 0.034*"生" + 0.029*"到" + 0.024*"病" + '
            '0.024*"遇" + 0.022*"访" + 0.018*"学" + 0.018*"乍" + 0.015*"艳" + 0.012*"响"'),
            '0.114*"寻" + 0.047*"忘" + 0.041*"歌" + 0.034*"天地" + 0.032*"条" + 0.015*"短" + '
            '0.009*"才" + 0.008*"啸" + 0.007*"桃源" + 0.006*"夸" + 0.002*"滔滔" + 0.002*"枚"'),
           (14.
            '0.068*"双" + 0.052*"太" + 0.050*"西" + 0.049*"斜" + 0.040*"惊" + 0.031*"穿" + '
            '0.023*"苔" + 0.023*"唱" + 0.019*"落日" + 0.013*"熏" + 0.012*"阙" + 0.011*"灭"'),
           (27,
            '0.156*"应" + 0.087*"春" + 0.076*"作" + 0.066*"半" + 0.050*"住" + 0.049*"留" + '
            '0.042*"思" + 0.017*"通" + 0.016*"信" + 0.015*"阴" + 0.010*"聊" + 0.007*"辟"'),
           (33.
             '0.146*"天" + 0.071*"夜" + 0.057*"干" + 0.027*"倚" + 0.019*"背" + 0.019*"尊" + '
            '0.013*"主人" + 0.011*"也" + 0.010*"室" + 0.009*"瀑布" + 0.009*"浜" + 0.009*"洪"'),
           (36.
            '0.176*"似" + 0.052*"争" + 0.047*"身" + 0.040*"十" + 0.038*"向" + 0.028*"同" + '
            '0.023*"从" + 0.021*"曾" + 0.013*"销" + 0.013*"车" + 0.013*"镜" + 0.012*"永"')]
          print('Perplexity: ', optimal_model2log_perplexity(corpus2))
In [147...
          coherence model lda2 = CoherenceModel(model=optimal model2, texts=fenci2, dictionary=id2word2
          coherence_lda2 = coherence_model_lda2get_coherence()
          print('Coherence Score: ', coherence_lda2)
          Perplexity: -41.387757370441165
          Coherence Score: 0.49027544019686625
```

'0.147\*"相" + 0.067\*"晚" + 0.028\*"修" + 0.023\*"清风" + 0.020\*"马" + 0.018\*"著" + '

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# Conclusion

From both graph, coherence score (higher is better), and perplexity (smaller is better), we can see that jieba is better than THULAC. Thus, our decision to use jieba as words segmentation for preprocessing before LDA is correct.

# **Summary and Discussion**

In this project, we tried to build a database of Chinese poem, and use NLP models to analyze the data. We use LDA to analyze bag of words and compare different text segementation's contribute to LDA. As a result, we find out that jieba is the best text segementation library that we can directly use. Though there are errors in text segementation and stop words for Chinese poem is not mature, we can discover some interesting point through our result.

In the future, we can implement golve model while translating our database into English prompts and have deeper research on how to analyze the theme of Chinese poems and the similarity between different words. Also, we can try to mix two segmentation model together or train our own segmentation and update our own stop words database to improve the model.

# **APPENDIX B: GitHub repository link**

https://github.com/lanMei/Signature-Work