

# Statistical Natural Language Processing (SS-2018)

## Submission Deadline: 08.06.2018, 23:59

June 1, 2018

### Feature Selection (6 points)

#### 1) (1.5 points) Miscellaneous Problems

– Part a (0.75 points):

(i) Consider a document containing 100 words wherein the word 'Eutopia' appears 3 times. What is the term frequency for the term 'Eutopia'?  $\rightarrow 3/100$

(ii) Now, assume we have 100 million documents and the word 'Eutopia' appears in ten thousand of these. What is the inverse document frequency (idf) of this term?  $\log_{10}(100\text{ Mio}/10.000)$

Note: Take log to the base 10. Click on this link to learn about tf-idf

(iii) Finally, calculate the tf-idf weight from the values obtained from Part a and Part b.

– Part b (0.25 points):

Choose only one best option and explain your choice.

When training a language model, if we use an overly narrow corpus, the probabilities

a. Doesn't reflect the task

b. Reflect all possible wordings

c. Reflect intuition

d. Don't generalize

$\rightarrow 3/100 = \log(100\text{ Mio}/10.000)$   
 the text is too specific and does not cover many characteristics of the language

– Part c (0.5 points)

You are an English Literature teacher and you ask your class to write a play in the style of Shakespeare. You want to score their plays using a trigram language model you computed from a corpus of all Shakespeare plays but you find that the data is too sparse and most of your students sentences receive a score of zero.

How would you use a back-off model to alleviate this problem? Your short answer should be between 50-100 words.

$\rightarrow$  Many points trigram less probability  
 less points bigram less probability  
 a certain point unigram used by students

#### 2) (2 points) Imagine we have a predefined set of class labels 'Coffee' and 'Tea'. The following table containing the entry of the counts is given for this purpose:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} 500 & 500 \\ \hline 500 & 500 \\ \hline \Sigma & 1000 \end{array}$$

	black	beans	leaves	rest
Class = Coffee	500	1000	100	400
Class = ~Coffee	500	50	1200	9450
Class = Tea	750	110	1300	400
Class = ~Tea	1000	1500	200	7350

no point  
 unigram does not appear in Shakespeare  
 $\frac{1000 \cdot 200}{1320 \cdot 7350}$

– (1 point) What are good features for predicting class 'Coffee'? Explain your findings.

– (1 point) What are good features for predicting class 'Tea'? Explain your findings.

Hint: Do this task by checking  $\chi^2$  value for all possible features and perform the feature selection.

Ex:  $\chi^2(\text{black}, \text{Coffee})$ .

$\rightarrow$  no  $\chi^2$  test

#### 3) (2.5 points) You learnt about the feature selection for unsupervised learning (Slide 23 onwards, Chapter 6) in the lecture. Observe the two plots below and comment about the following.

– (1 point) In Plot 1, are features x and y redundant/useful/irrelevant for defining the clusters? Explain your choice.

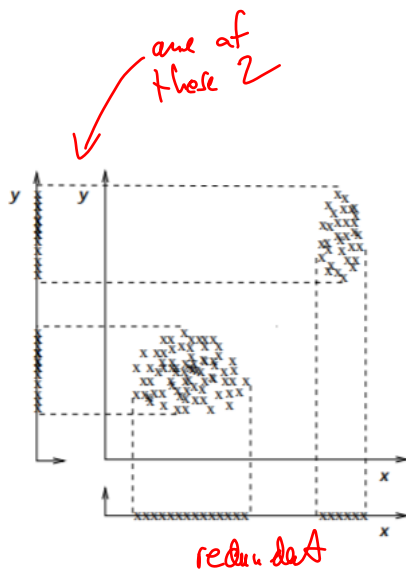


Figure 1: Plot 1

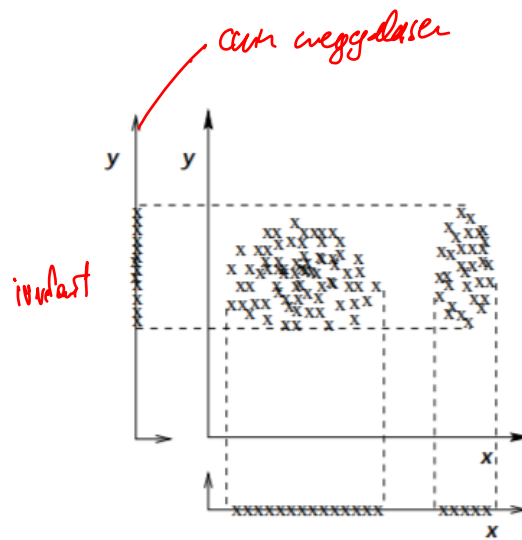


Figure 2: Plot 2

- (1 point) In Plot 2, are features x and y redundant/useful/irrelevant for defining the clusters? Explain your choice.
- (0.5 point) Draw an example plot which portrays feature x and y as the remaining choice from 'redundant/useful/irrelevant' for defining the clusters which was not chosen as an answer in above two parts for plot 1 and plot 2. Explain your plot.

## Mutual Information (4 points)

4) (4 points)

- Use the documents provided in "Materials/train" to construct the vocabulary. You need this vocabulary for the next exercise as well. Remember to do the text preprocessing:
  - ~~stopword removal~~ with the stopwords.txt given in the Materials Folder
  - ~~lowercasing~~ (Can use NLTK 3.3: Reference Link)
  - ~~lemmatization + stemming~~ Reference Link (Can use NLTK 3.3: Reference Link)
  - ~~tokenization~~ (Can use NLTK 3.3: Reference Link)
- (1 point) Find the mutual information between each term and each class (topic). Compute  $p_{mi}(t)$  in the case we want each term to discriminate well for a single category. *see slide 50*
- (1 point) Use the  $p_{mi}(t)$  s to do the feature selection such that it results in 10 features and report them. How much has your problem's dimension decreased?
- (1 point) Do the feature selection this time by  $MI^1$  and select the 10 terms with greatest MI. How do these features differ from the previous part of the question? Report these features and their differences with previous part.
- (1 point) Use the features obtained from each case separately to classify each test file by Naïve Bayes Classifier.
  - Compute the likelihoods for each word (after feature selection) in each class (topic)
  - Assume uniform prior probability for classes
  - Classify by posterior probability

<sup>1</sup>[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mutual\\_information](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mutual_information) in which each term is a random variable

## Submission Instructions

- You must form groups of 2 to 3 people
- Submit only 1 archive file in the ZIP format with name containing the MN of all the team members, e.g.:

Exercise\_07\_MatriculationNumber1\_MatriculationNumber2.zip

- Provide in the archive:
  - i. your code, accompanied with sufficient comments
  - ii. a PDF report with answers, solutions, plots and brief instructions on executing your code
  - iii. a README file with the group member names, matriculation numbers and emails
  - iv. Data necessary to reproduce your results
- The subject of your submission mail **must** contain the string [SNLP] (including the braces) and explicitly denoting that it is an exercise submission, e.g:

[SNLP] Exercise# Submission MatriculationNumber1 MatriculationNumber2

- Depending on your tutorial group, please send your assignment to the **corresponding tutor**:
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  - \* Fr. 10-12: Marimuthu Kalimuthu *mkalimuthu@lsv.uni-saarland.de*
- If two teams submit same solutions, both teams will be given 0 points and no presentation chance will be given to the two team members. If you do this again, you will be disqualified from the exam.