# INF554 oral presentation

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#### Introduction

#### Brief overview of the problem:

 Estimating h-indexes given the co-authoring graph and a bundle of abstracts

#### Our method:

- A lot of discussion on the relevance of each feature and its meaning
- Custom made features and predictors
- Parsimony, running programs locally

# Main algorithm: gradient boosting regressor on well-chosen features

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#### Features:

- 4 Graph-based
- NoP
- Word analysis feature(s)

#### Graph-based: 4 features

Degree: Number of co-authors for a given author

**Core-number:** Quantifies the density of the co-authoring graph around an author

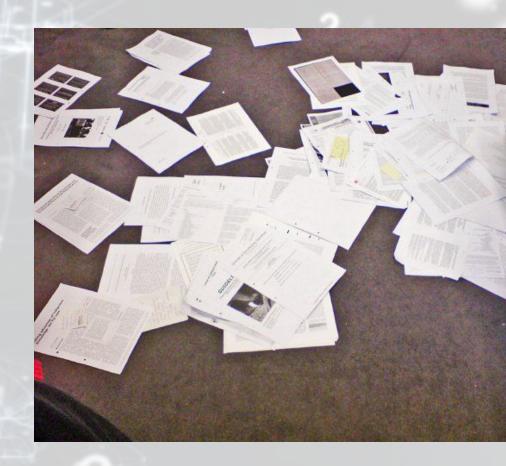
**Eigenvector centrality (log-scale):** Measure of the influence an author has on the co-authoring network (prestige score)

**PageRank:** Ranking of the authors based on the structure of the incoming links in the coauthoring-network. It was originally designed as an algorithm to rank web pages

# Number of Papers

- Custom-made feature
- Number of abstracts for a given author in our data
- Between 0 and 5

Remarks: If NoP < 5 then H-index ≤ NoP (post-processing possibilities)



# Word Analysis feature(s): Gensim+GloVe



**GloVe**: Unsupervised learning algorithm for obtaining vector representations for words

Training set: Wikipedia 2014 + Giga word 5

Gensim: Powerful library to use and train word embeddings

# Word Analysis features

- Means of the word2vec (size 300) of every word used by an author
- Gives us 300 features (or less with PCA, e.g 5 features MSE 77)
- Weights: proximity to non discriminating words

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# An alternative: Deep learning



- higher potential
- more difficult to understand what the machine understands
- how do we represent words in a numerical word?
- how do we design a neural network for H-index regression ?

#### BERT's word tokenizer (Bidirectional Encoder Representations from Transformers)

"don't be so judgmental"



['don', '"", 't', 'be', 'so', 'judgment', '##al']



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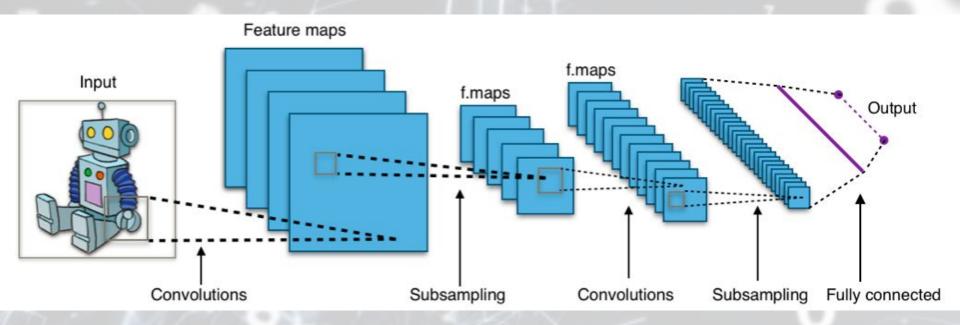
#### BERT's constraints

- The tokenized version of a sentence is variable in size
- The output values are integers
- The order of the words has to be used (words are not independent)

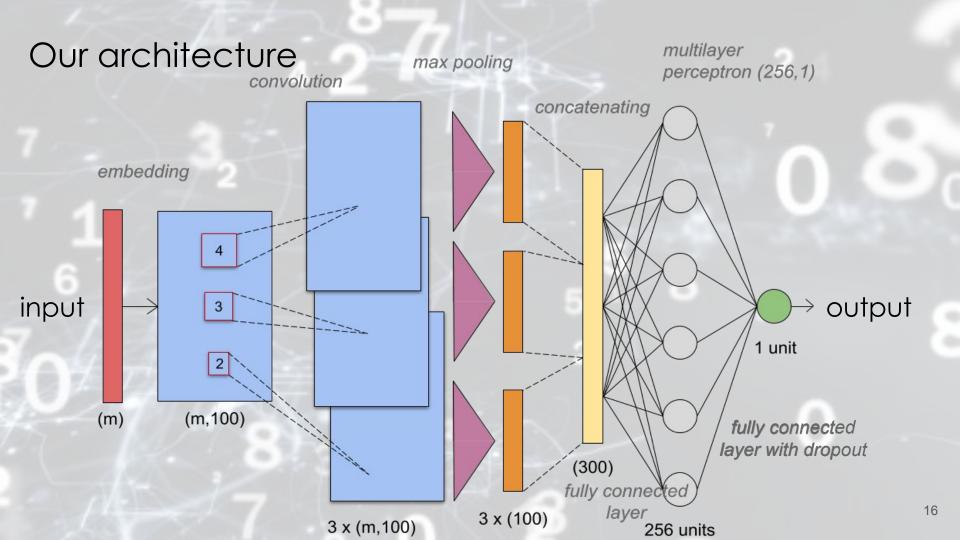
How are we going to tackle those limitations with our neural network?

- Input are indexes: embedding
- Input of variable size: max pooling
- Order in the sequence of inputs: convolutional layers

#### Convolutional Neural Network: classic architecture



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Convolutional\_neural\_network#/media/File:Typical\_cnn.png



# Focus on the dropout rate and overfitting

- the idea is to randomly ignore units from the hidden layers during training (trimming connectivities)
  - exclude rare dependencies
  - reduce overfitting tendencies



#### Results

- A bit disappointed in the results of our networks
- Very good score on the train set, and bad on the test set
  - overfitting
  - attempts: heightening the dropout rate, limiting the number of learning steps
- Good potential but hard to unlock it
  - time-consuming
    - Google Colab's GPUs

# Another predictor: analytical predictor

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#### Description:

- (Green<sub>1</sub>, Green<sub>2</sub>, ..., Green<sub>k</sub>) → h-index (Red)
- For instance, mean of the partial h-indexes of the words Red uses, partial h-index defined as the mean of the greens that use this word

#### Score interpreting:

- Do not take into account the co-presence of words
- Noise due to non-discriminative words

#### Extension:

- Fit the partial H-indexes with a stochastic approach
- Smarter function, with a parameter we optimize in the training set

# Another predictor: mean of neighbors

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Description: mean of green neighbors if the red has some, otherwise mean of all greens

Score interpreting: since big h-indexes are more connected, prediction too high

Extension: smarter function

- depth
- weighted mean
- functions of h-indexes with a parameter we optimize in the training set

# **Graph-based extensions**

With clustering

Without clustering

Coauthorship graph

Function of the greens

Graph of words

Function of the greens in the cluster that has the more words

Features : functions of functions from **networkX** on the words

