Linguistic Analysis of the bioRxiv Preprint Landscape

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Abstract

Introduction

- 1. What is a preprint
- 2. Why are preprints important?
- 3. Mention how preprints are being integrated into scientist's everyday workflow
- 4. Talk about biorxiv and discuss how it is one of the repositories that maintains preprints along with citation of others such as arxiv/medrxiv etc.
- 5. Discuss works that analyze biorxiv from an audience perspective (quantifying tweets etc.)
- 6. Mention the gap which consists of analysing the language of biorxiv preprints (first to do this)
- 7. ^ Why is this important? What will this allow for future research projects?
- 8. Provide list of contributions within this manuscript

Methods

Datasets

bioRxiv

- 1. Describe how bioRxiv was obtained
- 2. Describe metadata statistics on bioRxiv (number of preprints, number of preprints with multiple versions)

PubMed Central

- 1. Describe how PubMed central was obtained
- 2. Describe metadata statistics on PubMed central (number of articles, how many articles were processed

Comparing Corpora

- 1. Spacy to process text via Lemmatization, removal of stop words
- 2. Describe counting frequencies of each lemma
- 3. Describe using chi-square test
- 4. Describe how to calculate the likelihood and log odds ratio

Visualizing the Preprint Landscape

Generate Document Representation

- 1. Describe how word2vec works
- 2. Talk about training word2vec on entire biorxiv repository
- 3. Discuss how to generate a document representation using word2vec model

Dimensionality Reduction of Document Embeddings

- 1. Explain how tSNE works (paragraph one)
- 2. Explain how PCA works (paragraph two)
- 3. Discuss how words were mapped onto PC components via cosine similarity
- 4. ^ Explain cosine similarity

Recommending Journals/ bioRxiv Audience Analysis

- 1. This title will update as analysis is completed
- 2. This section will describe how the above process is conducted

Results

Comparing bioRxiv to PubMed Central

Global View

1. Create a treemap visualization of top X terms that are different between bioRxiv and PubMed Central (based on odds ratio)

Published Preprint Differences

1. Create a treemap visualization of top X terms that are different between Preprint and Published documents (based on odds ratio)

The bioRxiv Preprint Landscape

- 1. Provide the tSNE figure of the bioRxiv
- 2. Discuss the results of the tSNE figure and highlight that there are category clusters within the figure

Topic Analysis of Principal Components

- 1. Provide an example of the word cloud for principal components
- 2. Show plot of the principal components and the scatterplot
- 3. Mention that the word clouds can be found at xyz

Journal Recommendations/Audience Associations

- 1. Title will change once analysis is finished
- 2. Provide key figure for this section and take-home message

Discussion

Conclusion

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References