

Week 1 Quiz



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1.

The sentence “A man saw a boy with a telescope” is syntactically ambiguous and has two distinct syntactic structures.

- ☐ False
- ☒ True

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2.

Which of the following is false?

- ☐ Browsing is suitable when the user doesn't know what keywords to use.
- ☒ Search engines rely on the text push mode.
- ☐ Recommender systems are based on the text push mode.
- ☐ Querying and browsing are both examples of the text pull mode.

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3.

Consider the instantiation of the vector space model where documents and queries are represented as **bit vectors**. Assume we have the following query and two documents:

Q = "healthy diet plans"

D1 = "healthy plans for weight loss. Check out other healthy plans"

D2 = "the presidential candidate plans to change the educational system."

Let $V(X) = [b_1 \ b_2 \ b_3]$ represent a part of the bit vector for document or query X, where b_1 , b_2 , and b_3 are the bits corresponding to "healthy," "diet," and "plans," respectively.

Which of the following is true?

- ☐ $V(Q) = [1 \ 1 \ 1] \quad V(D1) = [1 \ 1 \ 1] \quad V(D2) = [0 \ 0 \ 0]$
 - ☒ $V(Q) = [1 \ 1 \ 1] \quad V(D1) = [1 \ 0 \ 1] \quad V(D2) = [0 \ 0 \ 1]$
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 - ☐ $V(Q) = [1 \ 1 \ 1] \quad V(D1) = [2 \ 0 \ 2] \quad V(D2) = [0 \ 0 \ 1]$
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4.

Consider the same scenario as in Question 3, with dot product as the similarity measure. Which of the following is true?

- ☐ $\text{Sim}(Q, D1) = 4 \quad \text{Sim}(Q, D2) = 1$
 - ☐ $\text{Sim}(Q, D1) = 3 \quad \text{Sim}(Q, D2) = 1$
 - ☐ $\text{Sim}(Q, D1) = 3 \quad \text{Sim}(Q, D2) = 0$
 - ☒ $\text{Sim}(Q, D1) = 2 \quad \text{Sim}(Q, D2) = 1$
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5.

In the "simplest" VSM instantiation, if instead of using 0-1 bit vectors but we use the word count instead, when we concatenate each document by itself, will the ranking list still remain the same?

- ☒ True
- ☐ False
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6.

In Text Retrieval problem for N distinct documents, select statements below that are correct?

- ☒ If use document selection, the number of outcomes is 2^N
- ☐ The numbers of outcome for document ranking and selection are the same
- ☐ Document selection is preferred as there is no need to determine document absolute relevance
- ☒ If use document ranking, the number of outcomes is $N!$
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7.

Suppose we compute the term vector for a baseball sports news article in a collection of general news articles using **TF weighting only**. Which of the following words do you expect to have the highest weight?

- ☐ baseball
- ☐ computer

☒ the

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8.

Assume the same scenario as in Question 7, but with **TF-IDF weighting**. Which of the following words do you expect to have the highest weight in this case?

- ☒ baseball
- ☐ the
- ☐ computer
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9.

Consider the following retrieval formula:

$$score(Q, D) = \sum_{w \in Q, D} \frac{\log(c(w, D) + 1)}{1 + \frac{avdl}{dl}} \log \frac{df(w)}{N + 1}$$

Where $c(w, D)$ is the count of word w in document D ,

dl is the document length,

$avdl$ is the average document length of the collection,

N is the total number of documents in the collection,

and $df(w)$ is the number of documents containing word w .

In view of TF, IDF weighting, and document length normalization, which part is missing or does not work appropriately?

- ☒ IDF
- ☐ TF
- ☐ Document length normalization

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10.

In VSM model, which of the following will be a better way to measure similarity/distance?

- ☒ Cosine similarity: $\cos(v_1, v_2)$
- ☐ L2 distance: $\|v_1 - v_2\|_2$



