

- What are Text Similarity Measures?
 - Text Similarity Measures are metrics that measure the similarity or distance between two text strings.
 - They can be done on surface closeness (lexical similarity) of the text strings or meaning closeness (semantic similarity)
- In this class, we will be discussing lexical word similarities and lexical documents similarities.
- Measuring similarity between documents is fundamental to most forms of document analysis. Some of the applications that use document similarity measures include; information retrieval, text classification, document clustering, topic modeling, topic tracking, matrix decomposition



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 - Levenshtein distance

- Document Similarity
 - Count vectorizer and the document-term matrix
 - Bag of words
 - Cosine similarity
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Why is word similarity important? It can be used for the following:

- Spell check
- Speech recognition
- Plagiarism detection

What is a common way of quantifying word similarity?

- Levenshtein distance
- Also known as edit distance in computer science



How similar are the following pairs of words?

MATH MATH

MATH BATH

MATH BAT

MATH SMASH



Levenshtein distance: Minimum number of operations to get from one word to another. Levenshtein operations are:

- Deletions: Delete a character
- Insertions: Insert a character
- Mutations: Change a character

Example: kitten —> sitting

- kitten —> <u>sitten</u> (1 letter change)
- sitten —> sittin (1 letter change)
- sittin —> sitting (1 letter insertion)

Levenshtein distance = 3



How similar are the following pairs of words?

MATH	l \	//ATH	

BATH

MATH BAT

MATH

MATH SMASH

Levenshtein distance = 0

Levenshtein distance = 1

Levenshtein distance = 2

Levenshtein distance = 2



TextBlob

Another toolkit other than NLTK

Wraps around NLTK and makes it easier to use

TextBlob capabilities

- Tokenization
- Parts of speech tagging
- Sentiment analysis
- Spell check
- ... and more



TextBlob Demo: Tokenization

Input:

```
# Command line: pip install textblob
from textblob import TextBlob

my_text = TextBlob("We're moving from NLTK to TextBlob. How fun!")

my_text.words
```

Output:

```
WordList(['We', "'re", 'moving', 'from', 'NLTK', 'to', 'TextBlob', 'How', 'fun'])
```



TextBlob Demo: Spell Check

Input:

```
blob = TextBlob("I'm graat at speling.")
print(blob.correct()) # print function requires Python 3
```

Output:

```
I'm great at spelling.
```

How does the correct function work?

- Calculates the Levenshtein distance between the word 'graat' and all words in its word list
- Of the words with the smallest Levenshtein distance, it outputs the most popular word



Text Similarity Measures Checkpoint

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Document Similarity

When is document similarity used?

- When sifting through a large number of documents and trying to find similar ones
- When trying to group, or cluster, together similar documents

To compare documents, the first step is to put them in a similar format so they can be compared

- Tokenization
- Count vectorizer and the document-term matrix



Text Format for Analysis

This slide could make more sense

There are a few ways that text data can be put into a standard format for analysis

"This is an example"

Split Text Into Words

['This','is','an','example']

Numerically Encode Words

This	[1,0,0,0]
is	[0,1,0,0]
an	[0,0,1,0]
example	[0,0,0,1]

Tokenization

One-Hot Encoding



Text Format for Analysis: Count Vectorizer

Input:

Output:

	and	document	first	fun	is	one	second	the	third	this
0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
2	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	1	1	0

This is called a **Document-Term Matrix**



Text Format for Analysis: Key Concepts

The Count Vectorizer helps us create a **Document-Term Matrix**

- Rows = documents
- Columns = terms

	and	document	first	fun	is	one	second	the	third	this
0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
2	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	1	1	0



Text Format for Analysis: Key Concepts

Bag of Words Model

- Simplified representation of text, where each document is recognized as a bag of its words
- Grammar and word order are disregarded, but multiplicity is kept

	and	document	first	fun	is	one	second	the	third	this
0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
2	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	1	1	0



Document Similarity Checkpoint

What was our original goal? Finding similar documents.

To compare documents, the first step is to put them in a similar format so they can be compared

- Tokenization
- Count vectorizer and the document-term matrix

	and	document	first	fun	is	one	second	the	third	this
0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
2	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	1	1	0

The big assumption that we're making here is that each document is just a Bag of Words



Document Similarity: Cosine Similarity

Cosine Similarity is a way to quantify the similarity between documents

- Step 1: Put each document in vector format
- Step 2: Find the cosine of the angle between the documents

Cosine similarity measures the similarity between two non-zero vectors with the cosine of the angle between them.

"I love you"

	i	love	you	nlp
Doc 1	1	1	1	0
Doc 2	1	1	0	1

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} = \|\mathbf{A}\| \|\mathbf{B}\| \cos \theta$$

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similarity = $\cos(\theta) = \frac{\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B}}{\|\mathbf{A}\|_2 \|\mathbf{B}\|_2}$

$$= 0.667$$



Document Similarity: Cosine Similarity

$$ext{similarity} = \cos(heta) = rac{\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B}}{\|\mathbf{A}\|_2 \|\mathbf{B}\|_2}$$

```
from numpy import dot
from numpy.linalg import norm

cosine = lambda v1, v2: dot(v1, v2) / (norm(v1) * norm(v2))

cosine([1, 1, 1, 0], [1, 1, 0, 1])
```

0.667



Here are five documents. Which ones seem most similar to you?

```
"The weather is hot under the sun"
```

Let's see which ones are most similar from a mathematical approach.



[&]quot;I make my hot chocolate with milk"

[&]quot;One hot encoding"

[&]quot;I will have a chai latte with milk"

[&]quot;There is a hot sale today"

Input:

```
import pandas as pd
from sklearn.feature extraction.text import CountVectorizer
corpus = ['The weather is hot under the sun',
          'I make my hot chocolate with milk',
          'One hot encoding',
          'I will have a chai latte with milk',
          'There is a hot sale today'
# create the document-term matrix with count vectorizer
cv = CountVectorizer(stop words="english")
X = cv.fit transform(corpus).toarray()
dt = pd.DataFrame(X, columns=cv.get_feature_names())
dt
```



Output:

	chai	chocolate	encoding	hot	latte	make	milk	sale	sun	today	weather
0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0



Input:

```
# calculate the cosine similarity between all combinations of documents
from itertools import combinations
from sklearn.metrics.pairwise import cosine similarity
# list all of the combinations of 5 take 2 as well as the pairs of phrases
pairs = list(combinations(range(len(corpus)),2))
combos = [(corpus[a_index], corpus[b_index]) for (a_index, b_index) in pairs]
# calculate the cosine similarity for all pairs of phrases and sort by most similar
results = [cosine similarity([X[a index]], [X[b index]]) for (a index, b index) in
pairs]
sorted(zip(results, combos), reverse=True)
```



Output:

```
[(0.40824829, ('The weather is hot under the sun', 'One hot encoding')),
(0.40824829, ('One hot encoding', 'There is a hot sale today')),
(0.35355339, ('I make my hot chocolate with milk', 'One hot encoding')),
(0.333333333, ('The weather is hot under the sun', 'There is a hot sale today')),
(0.28867513, ('I make my hot chocolate with milk', 'There is a hot sale today')),
(0.28867513, ('I make my hot chocolate with milk', 'I will have a chai latte with milk')),
(0.0, ('The weather is hot under the sun', 'I will have a chai latte with milk')),
(0.0, ('One hot encoding', 'I will have a chai latte with milk')),
(0.0, ('I will have a chai latte with milk', 'There is a hot sale today'))]
```

	chai	chocolate	encoding	hot	latte	make	milk	sale	sun	today	weather
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1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0

- These two documents are most similar, but it's just because the term "hot" is a popular word
- "Milk" seems to be a better differentiator, so how we can mathematically highlight that?



Document Similarity: Beyond Count Vectorizer

Downsides of Count Vectorizer

- Counts can be too simplistic
- High counts can dominate, especially for high frequency words or long documents
- Each word is treated equally, when some terms might be more important than others

We want a metric that accounts for these issues

Introducing Term Frequency-Inverse Document Frequency (TF-IDF)



TF-IDF = (Term Frequency) * (Inverse Document Frequency)

Different value for every document / term combination

Term Count in Document | Total Terms in Document | Total Terms in Document | Total Terms Containing | Total



Term Frequency

• So far, we've been recording the term (word) count

"This is an example"

This	is	an	example
1	1	1	1

- However, if there were two documents, one very long and one very short, it wouldn't be fair to compare them by word count alone
- A better way to compare them is by a normalized term frequency, which is (term count)
 / (total terms).
- There are many ways to do this. Another example is log(count + 1)

This	is	an	example
0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25



Inverse Document Frequency

- Besides term frequency, another thing to consider is how common a word is among all the documents
- Rare words should get additional weight

The log dampens the effect of IDF

Want to make sure that the denominator is never 0



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TF-IDF Intuition:

- TF-IDF assigns more weight to rare words and less weight to commonly occurring words.
- Tells us how frequent a word is in a document relative to its frequency in the entire corpus.
- Tells us that two documents are similar when they have more rare words in common.



Count Vectorizer vs TF-IDF Vectorizer

```
import pandas as pd
corpus = ['This is the first document.',
          'This is the second document.',
          'And the third one. One is fun.']
# original Count Vectorizer
from sklearn.feature extraction.text import CountVectorizer
cv = CountVectorizer()
X = cv.fit transform(corpus).toarray()
pd.DataFrame(X, columns=cv.get_feature_names())
# new TF-IDF Vectorizer
from sklearn.feature extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer
cv tfidf = TfidfVectorizer()
X tfidf = cv tfidf.fit transform(corpus).toarray()
pd.DataFrame(X_tfidf, columns=cv_tfidf.get_feature_names())
```



Count Vectorizer vs TF-IDF Vectorizer

Count Vectorizer Output:

	and	document	first	fun	is	one	second	the	third	this
0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
2	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	1	1	0

TF-IDF Vectorizer Output:

	and	document	first	fun	is	one	second	the	third	this
0	0.00000	0.450145	0.591887	0.00000	0.349578	0.00000	0.000000	0.349578	0.00000	0.450145
1	0.00000	0.450145	0.000000	0.00000	0.349578	0.00000	0.591887	0.349578	0.00000	0.450145
2	0.36043	0.000000	0.000000	0.36043	0.212876	0.72086	0.000000	0.212876	0.36043	0.000000



Let's go back to the problem we were originally trying to solve.

Here are five documents. Which ones seem most similar to you?

"The weather is hot under the sun"

"I make my hot chocolate with milk"

"One hot encoding"

"I will have a chai latte with milk"

"There is a hot sale today"

With Count Vectorizer, these two documents were the most similar



Document Similarity: Example with TF-IDF

Input:

```
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer

# create the document-term matrix with TF-IDF vectorizer

cv_tfidf = TfidfVectorizer(stop_words="english")

X_tfidf = cv_tfidf.fit_transform(corpus).toarray()

dt_tfidf = pd.DataFrame(X_tfidf,columns=cv_tfidf.get_feature_names())

dt_tfidf
```

Output:

	chai	chocolate	encoding	hot	latte	make	milk	sale	sun	today	weather
0	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.370086	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.0000	0.6569	0.0000	0.6569
1	0.000000	0.580423	0.000000	0.327000	0.000000	0.580423	0.468282	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
2	0.000000	0.000000	0.871247	0.490845	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
3	0.614189	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.614189	0.000000	0.495524	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
4	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.370086	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.6569	0.0000	0.6569	0.0000



Document Similarity: Example with TF-IDF

```
# calculate the cosine similarity for all pairs of phrases and sort by most similar
results tfidf = [cosine similarity(X tfidf[a index], X tfidf[b index])
                  for (a index, b index) in pairs]
sorted(zip(results tfidf, combos), reverse=True)
[(0.23204485, ('I make my hot chocolate with milk', 'I will have a chai latte with
milk')),
 (0.18165505, ('The weather is hot under the sun', 'One hot encoding')),
 (0.18165505, ('One hot encoding', 'There is a hot sale today')),
 (0.16050660, ('I make my hot chocolate with milk', 'One hot encoding')),
 (0.13696380, ('The weather is hot under the sun', 'There is a hot sale today')),
 (0.12101835, ('The weather is hot under the sun', 'I make my hot chocolate with milk')),
 (0.12101835, ('I make my hot chocolate with milk', 'There is a hot sale today')),
 (0.0, ('The weather is hot under the sun', 'I will have a chai latte with milk')),
 (0.0, ('One hot encoding', 'I will have a chai latte with milk')),
 (0.0, ('I will have a chai latte with milk', 'There is a hot sale today'))]
```

By weighting "milk" (rare) > "hot" (popular), we get a smarter similarity score



Text Similarity Measures Summary

- Word Similarity
 - Levenshtein distance is a popular way to calculate word similarity
 - TextBlob, another NLP library, uses this concept for its spell check function
- Document Similarity
 - Cosine similarity is a popular way to calculate document similarity
 - To compare documents, they need to be put in document-term matrix form
 - The document-term matrix can be made using Count Vectorizer or TF-IDF Vectorizer



