Computational Analysis of Religious and Ideological Linguistic Behavior

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Problem: How to work with Value-Based Groups?

What is a value-based group?

- Religious
- Political
- Any group motivated by a set of values

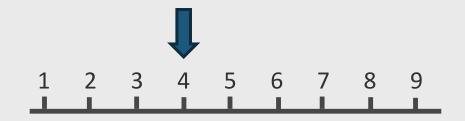
Who needs to work with value-based groups?

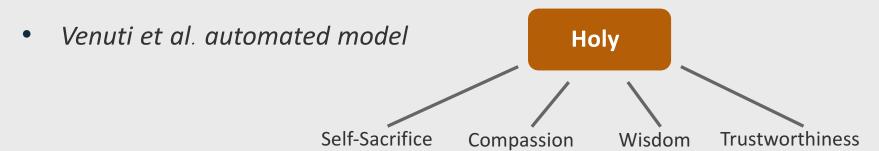
- US Government
- Humanitarian Groups
- Business Leaders

UVA Initiative on Conflict, Politics, and Religion

1-9 Linguistic Rigidity Scale

 Number of definitions not the definition itself is what matters





Objectives & Goals

Large-Scale Goals:

Real-time recommendations to organizations on the ground

Team Goals:

- Tune the Signal Processing Model
- Test a Deep Learning Model
- Language Agnostic
- Other Groups

Technical Approach

Technical Approach: Signal Processing

Performative Signals

- Number of judgments (noun + "to be" verb + adj/adv)
- Context Vectors (Semantic Density and Cosine Similarity)
- Network Analysis (Eigenvector Centrality)

Semantic Signals

- Topic Modeling
- Sentiment Analysis

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Identify Keywords

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Collect words in context vector

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- Repeat for all occurrences of keyword
- Singular Value Decomposition to vector of length 100
- Calculate Average Semantic Density and Distributional Co-occurrence Score

Value Words

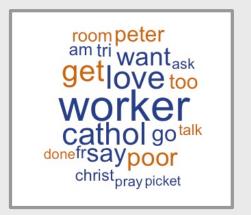
Previous Method



TFIDF Method w/Pronouns



TFIDF Method w/out Pronouns



Judgment Classification

Previous Method:

Judgment = (noun + "to be" verb + adj/adv)

New Method:

Judgment = pronoun + key word

The first priority is to perform hijrah from wherever you are to the Islamic State, f om dārul-ku-fr to dārul-Islām. Rush to perforr it as Mūsā ('alayhis-salām) rushed to his Lord saying, {And I hastened to You, my Lord, that You be pleased} [Tāhā: 84]. Rush to the shade of the Islamic State with your parents, siblings, spouses, and children. There are homes here for you and our families. You can be a major contributor towards the liberation of Makkah, Madīnah, and al-Quds. Would you not like to reach Judgment Day with these grand deeds in your scales.

Second, if you cannot perform hijrah for whatever extraordinary reason, then try in your location to organize bay'āt (pledges of allegiance) to the Khalifah Ibrāhīm. Jublicize them as much as possible. Gather people in the masājid, Islamic centers, and Islamic organizations, for example, and make

and Islamic organizations, for example, and make public announcements of bay'ah. Try to record these bay'āt and then distribute them through all forms of media including the Internet. It is necessary that bay'at becomes so common to the average Muslim that he considers those holding back as grossly abnormal. This effort, inshā'allah, will encourage Islamic groups to abandon their partisanship and also announce their bay'ah to the Khalīfah Ibrā līm.

If you live in a police state that will arrest you over such bay'at, then use means of anonymity to con-

Model Revisions

Instead of scoring groups, we're moving towards a model that will score individual documents.

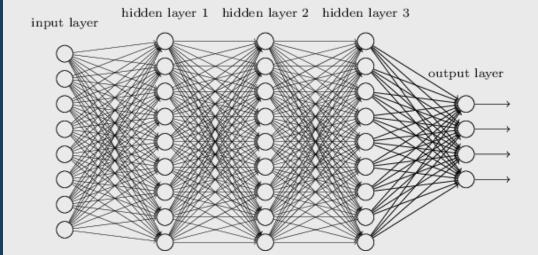
• Lead to temporal analysis







Technical Approach: Deep Learning



•	Multinomial	regression	classifier
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Let the program learn which words are important

	peace	catholic	holy	• • •
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document_002	3	0	5	• • •
document_003	0	0	0	• • •
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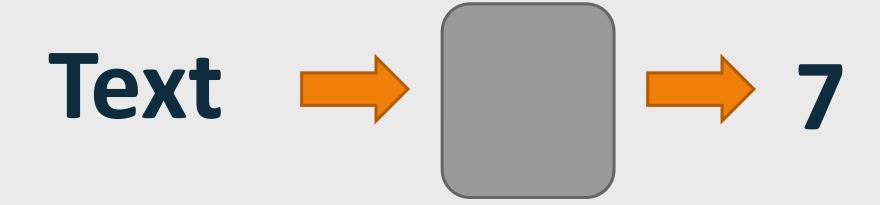
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document_002	1	0	0	0
document_003	0	0	0	1
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Problem Objectives

Technical Approach

Results

Expected Results



Expected Results

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کہ آتی ہے اردوز باں آتے آتے

اردو ہے جس کا نام ہمیں جانتے ہیں داغ
سارے جہاں میں دھوم ہماری زباں کی ہے

Questions?

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