PROJECT REPORT IRWA - PART 2 - G102-2

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1. Introduction

This document is the Part 2 Project Report, prepared by team G102-2. Here, it is described all the necessary information about the elaboration of the code for this second part, including the assumptions, methods, and algorithms employed. Each subsection presents the reasoning behind the decisions made and is classified into two main parts and a conclusion.

The team developed the code using a Google Colaboratory file, which required importing libraries and the provided dataset. The project aims to build and evaluate a search engine for tweets using TF-IDF ranking, query evaluation metrics and visualization techniques.

The repository for the deliveries has been shared with the labs teacher Francielle Do Nascimento, but since it is a public repository, the link to get in is the following:

https://github.com/QuerZamora/IRWA G102 2

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To improve our project results, we made some modifications to the preprocessing stage. Specifically, we refined the tokenization process by removing additional stopwords and special characters, leaving only clean words without punctuation, emojis, or characters outside the Latin alphabet.

```
1 # merged the tweet_info_df with the tweet_ids_map based on the 'Tweet ID' column
2 # 'id' in tweet_ids_map corresponds to 'Tweet ID' in tweet_info_df
3 tweet_info_df = tweet_info_df.merge(tweet_ids_map, left_on='Tweet ID', right_on='id', how='left')
4
5 # renamed 'docid' column from tweet_ids_map to 'Document ID' in the merged DataFrame
6 tweet_info_df = tweet_info_df.rename(columns={'docId': 'Document ID'})
7
8 # drop the column 'id' to not have repeated columns
9 tweet_info_df = tweet_info_df.drop(columns=['id'])
10
11 # NEW: drop the rows without doc_id
12 tweet_info_df = tweet_info_df.dropna(subset=['Document ID'])
13
14 display(tweet_info_df)
```



2. Indexing

2.1. Build inverted index

Using the build_terms function, each tweet was tokenized, converted to lowercase, and filtered to remove stopwords. Stemming was also applied, which reduces words to their root form.

```
def build_terms(line):
    """
    Preprocess the text by removing stop words, stemming, and tokenizing.

Arguments:
    line -- string (text) to be preprocessed

Returns:
    A list of tokens after preprocessing
    """
    stemmer = Porterstemmer()
    stop_words = set(stopwords.words("english"))
    line = line.lower()
    line = re.findall(r'\b\w+\b', line) # Tokenize the text
    line = [word for word in line if word not in stop_words] # Remove stopwords
    line = [stemmer.stem(word) for word in line] # Perform stemming
    return line
```

The function create_index iterates through each tweet in the dataset, assigning each a unique Doc_ID. Each term in the processed tweet text is then added to the inverted index. For each term, the index maintains the document ID where the term appears and a list of positions where the term occurs within that document, allowing us to capture term location, which is going to be useful for ranking algorithms.

```
lines -- Collection of documents, each line containing a 'Doc_ID' and the text (tweet)
    index - the inverted index containing terms as keys and the corresponding list of documents and positions as values. title_index - mapping of document IDs to titles (tweet texts)
    index = defaultdict(list)
    title index = {} # Dictionary to map Doc ID to tweet text
    for line in lines: # Lines contain all documents from tweet_info_df
        doc_id, tweet_text = line
        title_index[doc_id] = tweet_text
        terms = build_terms(tweet_text)
        current_page_index = {}
        for position, term in enumerate(terms):
             if term in current_page_index:
                 current_page_index[term][1].append(position)
              current_page_index[term] = [doc_id, [position]]
         for term, posting in current_page_index.items():
            index[term].append(posting)
    return index, title_index
# Example usage with tweet info df
lines = list(zip(tweet_info_df['Document ID'], tweet_info_df['Tweet']))
# Create the index and title mapping
inverted_index, title_index = create_index(lines)
```



The inverted index uses a dictionary, where each term ID is a key, and the value is a list of postings. Each posting includes the document ID and the positions list, which corresponds where the term appears in each document.

```
for term, postings in list(inverted_index.items())[:10]:
    print(f"{term}: {postings}")

world: [['doc_0', [0]], ['doc_38', [12]], ['doc_52', [7]],
    progress: [['doc_0', [1]], ['doc_100', [5]], ['doc_2738', [indian: [['doc_0', [2]], ['doc_17', [9]], ['doc_18', [8]],
    polic: [['doc_0', [3]], ['doc_56', [21]], ['doc_60', [13]],
```

2.2. Propose test queries

For evaluating our search engine, we defined five different test queries:

```
test_queries = []
    "protest indian",
    "protest farmer",
    "support farmer",
    "free india ",
    "universitat pompeu fabra" # option that will not appear in the dataset
```

We have used four that will appear in the dataset and one as a test that we know will not be relevant within it.

2.3. Search function

At the beginning, we created a search function (which in the code is referred to as search_v0()) that begins by preprocessing each query, ensuring that they match with the terms stored in the inverted index. The idea was to find documents that contain all the query terms, implementing a conjunctive search where only documents with all the terms are retrieved. Moreover, the function evaluates if the terms appear consecutively in each matched document, doing this we search the exact results that user wants, for queries expecting specific phrases. Finally, the function returns the top 10 results for each query. The results are:

```
Top 10 results out of 55 for the searched query 'protest indian':

page_id= doc_23124 - page_title: indian protest
page_id= doc_7255 - page_title: 250farmer lost live protest indian gover
page_id= doc_39043 - page_title: tealeoni thank indian govern everyth i
page_id= doc_37270 - page_title: meaindia indian govern forc twitter ba
page_id= doc_37270 - page_title: indian protest
page_id= doc_38240 - page_title: indian protest
page_id= doc_38240 - page_title: maindian govern forc twitter ba
page_id= doc_38240 - page_title: borisjohnson thought farmer protest ar
page_id= doc_38240 - page_title: maindian govern forc twitter ba
page_id= doc_38240 - page_title: maindian govern forc twitter ba
page_id= doc_38240 - page_title: borisjohnson thought farmer protest ar
page_id= doc_482407 - page_title: maindian govern
page_id= doc_482407 - page_title: maindian govern
page_id= doc_482407 - page_title: borisjohnson thought farmer protest ar
page_id= doc_482407 - page_title: maindian govern
page_id= doc_482407 - page_title: borisjohnson thought farmer protest ar
page_id= doc_482407 - page_title: borisjohnson thought farmer protest ar
page_id= doc_482407 - page_title: maindian govern
page_id= doc_36655 - page_title: borisjohnson thought farmer protest ar
page_id= doc_482407 - page_title: maindian govern
page_id= doc_482407 - page_title: main
```



```
Top 10 results out of 1957 for the searched query 'support farmer':

page_id= doc_47316 - page_title: support farmer indian repeal 3 unjust farms page_id= doc_4913 - page_title: support farmer indian repeal 3 unjust farms page_id= doc_4913 - page_title: support farmer page_id= doc_13598 - page_title: support farmer page_id= doc_18598 - page_title: support farmer support adoc_1864 - page_title: support farmer support nation page_id= doc_30487 - page_title: support farmer support nation page_id= doc_10280 - page_title: nation citizen right human els love india page_id= doc_47366 - page_title: page_id= doc_47367 - page_title: nation citizen right human els love india page_id= doc_47676 - page_title: becom larger farm bill push back undeclar eme page_id= doc_17094 - page_title: support farmer protest page_id= doc_6762 - page_title: support farmer protest page_id= doc_8153 - page_title: hello mr_akshaykumar_speak_pleas_cant_offer
```

As this implementation caused the number of documents considered important to be low, because it discarded those containing query words in a non-consecutive manner, we updated it and created search(), which we used in the rest of the lab. Now, as we can see, for the same queries, we obtain many more results:

```
Top 10 results out of 447 for the searched query 'protest indian':
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         Top 10 results out of 2624 for the searched query 'protest farmer':
                                                                      page title: indian govern tri silenc voic indian page_title: tweet accid amp express remorsewhat 2 page_title: aia activist join member indian sikh page_title: india 21 year old indian climat activ page_title: full forc authoritarian tactic indian
     age_id= doc_47841
age_id= doc_34418
age_id= doc_27054
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         page_id= doc_23484 - page_title: farmer protest tuesday farmer celebr ba
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       page_id= doc_23484 - page_title: farmer protest tuesday farmer celebr bas. page_id= doc_17756 - page_title: meghaadarsh bbcworld see bigotri ever tw page_id= doc_17608 - page_title: ongo farmer protest farm bill reform farm page_id= doc_13180 - page_title: tv show tikri border farmer cell journal page_id= doc_33 - page_title: futur cours farmer protest punjab doubt stapage_id= doc_16776 - page_title: hello im digit kisan bot tri spread awar page_id= doc_18578 - page_title: indiaunnewyork ambtstirumurti narendramon page_id= doc_27054 - page_title: aia activist join member indian sikh compage_id= doc_2711 - page_title: vmsnew fullpag_advertis_solidar_protest_page_id= doc_22171 - page_title: india_farmer_protest_authoritarian_disgu_
      nge_id= doc_19587
nge_id= doc_45811
       ge_id= doc_24054 -
ge_id= doc_48074 -
                                                                       page_title: fullpag advertis solidar protest indi
page_title: indian govern tri silenc voic indian
              __id= doc_18903 -
_id= doc_30706 -
                                                                       page_title: saahilmenghani reson panindia today
page_title: btch want talk farmer protest india
                id= doc 11632 -
                                                                       page title: indian protest
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         Top 10 results out of 118 for the searched query 'free india ':
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       page_id= doc_33088 - page_title: india silenc free speech wow wow listen emot page_id= doc_15741 - page_title: piec evolv perhap largest mass mobilis postcl page_id= doc_16933 - page_title: india free democraci anymor page_id= doc_43112 - page_title: punjab system oppress indian govern decad repage_id= doc_15218 - page_title: gurnamsinghbku need bjp free indian page_id= doc_46409 - page_title: kiranjotdr time wake keep free amp_unit indinge_id= doc_4014 - page_title: ranaayyub meenaharri stay strong pleas indian page_id= doc_23009 - page_title: free india daughter free democraci citizen un page_id= doc_3181 - page_title: democraci fitur india apoorvanand siddharth v. page_id= doc_27776 - page_title: today join mujerxsris bunch organ take stand
  Top 10 results out of 3084 for the searched query 'support farmer':
                                                                - page_title: support farme
                             doc_15412 - page_title: support farmer
doc_17756 - page_title: keep support farmer
doc_17756 - page_title: meghaadarsh bbcworld see bigotri ever tweet :
doc_25816 - page_title: support farmer save nation
doc_37137 - page_title: disha ravi broke court room told judg mere ed
doc_41825 - page_title: farmer leader hannan mollah say day come plat
doc_25609 - page_title: dont support religi commun hate farmer make i
doc_16776 - page_title: hello im digit kisan bot tri spread awar larg
  page_id=
page_id=
page_id=
                                                                    page title: hello im digit kisan bot tri spread awar lar
page_title: let support hard work farmer stay unit win ba
page_title: proud south asian civil amp human right lawy
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         Top 10 results out of 0 for the searched query 'universitat pompeu fabra':
```

To better appreciate the difference, we created two lists: num_results_search_v0 (results that account for consecutive terms) and num_results_search. The results are as follows:

```
Query: 'protest indian'
                                      Query: 'protest farmer'
                                       Version 0 results: 1782
 Version 0 results: 55
 Final version results: 447
                                       Final version results: 2624
Difference: 392
                                       Difference: 842
                                      Query: 'free india '
Query: 'support farmer'
                                       Version 0 results: 27
 Version 0 results: 1957
                                       Final version results: 118
 Final version results: 3084
                                       Difference: 91
Difference: 1127
```



2.4. Rank your results

To rank documents we implemented a TF-IDF (Term Frequency-Inverse Document Frequency). This method involves two steps, create the index with term weight and rank the documents based on these weights. In this section, we also implemented a function similar to search v0() that checked if the query elements were connected; we kept it in the code as search tf idf v0(), but we will use the final version for the rest of the lab. The results we obtained were poor, meaning that only a few documents were deemed relevant. We are attaching screenshots and will then explain the final version:

```
Top 10 results out of 1 for the searched query 'protest indian':
page_id= doc_19653 - page_title: punyaab farmer indian n everi person protest indian first think tweet protest
Top 10 results out of 26 for the searched query 'protest farmer':
page_id= doc_26800 - page_title: ye 83 day r protest farmer
page_id= doc_29837 - page_title: r go toward delhi support farmer protest hansrajmeena diljitdosnjh tufanishilp
```

Top 10 results out of 0 for the searched query 'free india ':

For the first step in the final version, we computed term frequencies for each document and document frequencies for each term with a double-pass indexing structure for each document. Then, we normalized the frequencies and we calculated the inverse document frequencies doing the logarithmic ratio of the total documents to the term's document frequency. With this process we get the weight of each term in each document.

For the second step, we applied a cosine similarity measure. Each query term's weight in a document is calculated by multiplying its normalized TF with the IDF value. Using the dot product between the query vector and document vectors, the algorithm computes similarity scores for each document.

Finally, we stored the results by score, higher score means better match with query. Some results are:

```
Top 10 results out of 15 for the searched query 'protest indian':
                                                page_title: richie04184170 kalp91krm gautamgandhi44 vinaysreeni aneesoffl ye behalf thamizh nadu maiamoffici parti took part protest delhi n page_title: punyaab farmer indian n everi person protest indian first think tweet protest page_title: pepubl well nazi regim deni truththey dont even know protest aboutthey want spread hate lie abus indian peopl n defam indiabut f page_title: rashtrapatibhvn swamy39 u sir indian 95 crore peopl surviv farmingthey r protest delhi 3 law 2b repel amp garunt msp r also citi page title: indian gov sunk new low support r jail farmer r abduct tortur protest stopadani green cnni farmingforev law4climateau strikeclim
 Top 10 results out of 44 for the searched query 'protest farmer':
page_id= doc_10069 - page_title: mordodaimord tvmohandaspai mglad u read articl tweet articl doesnt support r clearli die ppl knew r small farmer rich
page_id= doc_26800 - page_title: ye 83 day r protest farmer
page_id= doc_37836 - page_title: indian gov sunk new low support r jail farmer r abduct tortur protest stopadani green cnni farmingforev law4climateau
page_id= doc_44995 - page_title: pmoindia narendramodi indian farmer r peac protest 3 farm bill amp r blind struggl spread fals narr farmer amp khals:
 Top 10 results out of 2 for the searched query 'free india ':
page_id= doc_46268 - page_title: free speech india like free speak want includ n mention n book sedit beaten mob
page_id= doc_16706 - page_title: school student india taught misinform local underprivileg kid attend free school protest
```

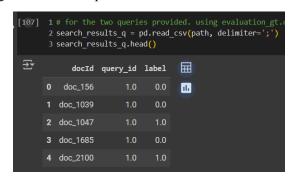


And as we can see, similar to search(), we now get more results than with version 0, but compared to search(), the results are fewer because it also takes term frequencies into account:

3. Evaluation

3.1. Preparing the baseline

To evaluate the ranking accuracy of our search engine, we compute some performance metrics using the two provided queries, "people's rights?" and "Indian government?". To do this we are going to use a subset of the dataset, with information about relevance for each document provided in evaluation_gt.csv. The relevance follows a binary distribution, 1 for relevant, 0 for non-relevant. This is going to help us in our ground truth for performance evaluation.



To do the evaluation we compute metrics such as Precision@K, Mean Average Precision (MAP), and Mean Reciprocal Rank (MRR), which measure how well the search engine identifies relevant documents. To assign predicted relevance scores, we perform a search for each query and rank the returned documents randomly, with a random seed. Finally, we apply a linear interpolation to distribute relevance scores from a maximum relevance of 4 to a minimum of -5 for the top documents, which then are mapped back to the evaluation dataset for computing the metrics. And then we use a similar procedure for our test_queries:



```
search_results_tq = [] # results for the search on test_queries
     # loop through each query in the test queries
     for i, query in enumerate(test queries, start=1):
          ranked_docs = search(query, index)
          num_docs = len(ranked_docs)
          max_score = 4  # Maximum relevance score
min_score = -5  # Minimum relevance score
          scores = np.linspace(max score, min score, num docs)
          # Assign predicted relevance score (e.g., rank position as relevance) for the top-ranked documents
for rank, doc_id in enumerate(ranked_docs[:top], start=1): # Limit to top results
               doc_score = random.choice([0.0, 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0])
               score = scores[rank]
               search results tq.append({
                     'docId': doc_id,
                    'query_id': i,
'predicted_relevance': score,
'doc_score':doc_score
     search_results_tq = pd.DataFrame(search_results_tq)
[365] display(search_results_tq.head())
             docId query_id predicted_relevance doc_score
      0 doc 23124
                                               3.833333
          doc_7255
      2 doc_39043
                                               3.500000
      3 doc_14153
                                               3.333333
      4 doc 37270
                                                3.166667
```

3.2. Evaluating

In this section, we computed the performance of the implemented algorithm through different evaluation techniques, focusing on metrics such as Precision@K (P@K), Recall@K (R@K), Average Precision@K, F1-Score@K, Mean Average Precision (MAP), Mean Reciprocal Rank (MRR), and Normalized Discounted Cumulative Gain (NDCG).

For the evaluation of the queries, we calculated the matrices with values of k = 3, k = 5, and k = 10. This allows us to observe the behavior of the metrics at different levels of depth. Below you can find an explanation of each metric.



3.2.1 Precision@K

This metric measures the precision at the top K results for each query, evaluating how many relevant documents appear in the highest positions on the results list. High Precision@K results indicate that the system retrieves relevant documents in the top positions.

The version on the right is the one we

implemented, but we also tried to make a version for the queries we were given in the statement. This version only considered the label's value, i.e., it tried to make a precision in a binary model. But, due to the few matches (14 specifically for each query), the precision values were shallow. This version is called precision_at_k_v2() and is preserved in the notebook.

3.2.2 Recall@K

Recall@K represents the fraction of relevant documents among the top K results. A high Recall@K implies that most relevant documents are being captured in the upper part of the list, which is crucial for queries with a high number of relevant documents.

```
def recall_at_k(y_true, y_pred, k=10):
    """
    Calculate the recall at k.

Parameters:
    - y_true (array-like): True binary labels (1 for relevant, 0 for irrelevant).
    - y_pred (array-like): Predicted scores for the items.
    - k (int): Number of top-ranked items to consider.

Returns:
    - recall (float): Recall score at k.
    """

# Get the top k indices from y_pred
top_k_indices = np.argsort(y_pred)[::-1][:k]
# Filter y_true to only include the top k items
y_true_at_k = np.array(y_true)[top_k_indices]
# Calculate the number of relevant items in the top k
relevant_at_k = np.sum(y_true_at_k)
# Calculate the total number of relevant items
total_relevant = np.sum(y_true)
# Return recall score at k
recall_at_k = relevant_at_k / total_relevant if total_relevant != 0 else 0.0
return recall_at_k
```



3.2.3 Average Precision@K

This metric provides the average precision calculated at each position in the list up to K. The mean of these precisions indicates the concentration of relevant documents throughout the ranked list, promoting a uniform distribution of relevance.

3.2.4 F1-Score@K

The F1-Score combines precision and recall into a single metric, providing a balance between both. A high F1-Score at low K values indicates that the system effectively returns a high percentage of relevant documents in the top positions.

```
def f1score_at_k(precision, recall):
    """
    Calculate the F1 score.

Parameters:
    - precision (float): Precision score.
    - recall (float): Recall score.

Returns:
    - f1 (float): F1 score.
    """

# Check if both precision and recall are greater than zero to avoid division by zero if precision + recall == 0:
        return 0.0
# Calculate the F1 score
return 2 * (precision * recall) / (precision + recall)
```



3.2.5 Mean Average Precision

MAP is the mean precision calculated across several queries, giving an overall view of the system's effectiveness. A high MAP value means that, on average, the system consistently returns relevant documents across all evaluated queries.

3.2.6 Mean Reciprocal Rank

MRR measures the position of the first relevant document in the results list. A high MRR indicates that relevant documents often appear in the first positions. In our case, it has been calculated for k = 3, k = 5, and k = 10.

```
def rr_at_k(doc_score, y_score, k=10):
    """

Parameters

doc_score: Ground truth (true relevance labels).
    y_score: Predicted scores.
    k : number of doc to consider.

Returns

Reciprocal Rank for qurrent query
    """

# get the list of indexes of the predicted score sorted in descending order.
    order = np.argsort(y_score)[::-1]
    # sort the actual relevance label of the documents based on predicted score(hint: np.take) and take first k.
    doc_score = np.take(doc_score, order[:k])
    if np.sum(doc_score) == 0: # if there are not relevant doument return 0
        return 0

# hint: to get the position of the first relevant document use "np.argmax"
    return 1 / (np.argmax(doc_score == 1) + 1)
```



3.2.7 Normalized Discounted Cumulative Gain

NDCG considers the position of each relevant document in the list, applying a logarithmic discount for documents in lower positions. It is especially useful for assessing whether relevant documents appear in higher positions, maximizing benefit for the user. We calculated NDCG@10 for each query and the mean across all.

```
def dcg_at_k(y_true, y_score, k=10):
    # get the list of indexes of the predicted score sorted in descending order.
    order = np.argsort(y_score)[::-1]
    # sort the actual relevance label of the documents based on predicted score(hint: np.take) and take first k.
    y_true = np.take(y_true, order[:k])
    gain = 2 ** y_true - 1  # Compute gain (use formula 7 above)
    discounts = np.log2(np.arange(len(y_true)) + 2)  # Compute denominator
    return np.sum(gain / discounts)  #return dcg@k

def ndcg_at_k(y_true, y_score, k=10):
    dcg_max = dcg_at_k(y_true, y_true, k)
    if not dcg_max:
        return 0
    return np.round(dcg_at_k(y_true, y_score, k) / dcg_max, 4)
```

All the query results from the different evaluation techniques: for the provided queries:

```
query id:
                                         2:
                                              Indian government?
query id:
              people's rights?
                               precision: 1.0
precision: 0.6
                               recall: 0.4
                               avg precision: 1.0
avg precision: 0.762037037037037
                               F1 score: 0.8
F1 score: 0.48
                               map k q: 0.5873456790123456
map k q: 0.5873456790123456
                               rr at k: 1.0
rr at k: 1.0
                               ndcd:
                                     1.0
ndcd: 0.662
```



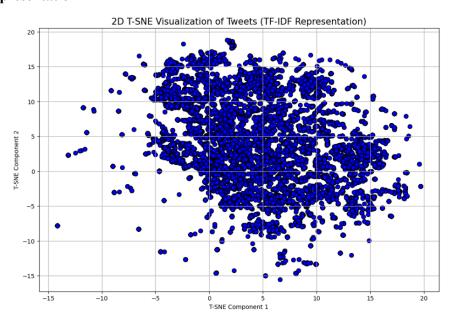
for our test queries:

```
query_id: 1 : protest indian
                                    query_id: 3 : support farmer
precision: 0.3
                                    precision: 0.6
recall: 1.0
                                    recall: 1.0
avg_precision: 0.294444444444444445
                                    avg precision: 0.6246031746031746
F1_score: 0.4615384615384615
                                    F1 score: 0.749999999999999
map_k_q: 0.6085565476190475
                                    map_k_q: 0.6085565476190475
rr_at_k: 0.3333
                                    rr_at_k: 0.5
ndcd: 0.5183
                                    ndcd: 0.7554
query_id: 2 : protest farmer
                                    query id: 4: free india
precision: 0.4
                                    precision: 0.2
recall: 1.0
                                    recall: 1.0
avg_precision: 1.0
avg_precision: 0.5151785714285714
F1_score: 0.5714285714285715
                                    F1_score: 0.333333333333333333
map k q: 0.6085565476190475
                                    map_k_q: 0.6085565476190475
rr_at_k: 1.0
                                    rr_at_k: 1.0
                                    ndcd: 1.0
ndcd: 0.7565
```

query_id: 5 : universitat pompeu fabra

precision: 0.0
recall: 0.0
avg_precision: 0
F1_score: 0.0
map_k_q: 0.6085565476190475
rr_at_k: 0
ndcd: 0

3.3. Final representation





In the previous plot we can see a graphic which represents tweets based on their TF-IDF vectors, each dot represents an individual tweet positioned according to its word frequency and relevance. Since we can only observe one cluster, this could mean that the tweets may not contain strongly differentiated content based on their TF-IDF scores, or it could be due to T-SNE's parameter settings. The majority of the points are concentrated near the center, indicating that many tweets share similar word distributions. This makes sense when you consider that they are all about the same topic: the farm protests in India.

4. Conclusions

This project involved building and evaluating an information retrieval system on a dataset of tweets. In the indexing phase, we constructed an inverted index and ranked results using TF-IDF, defining five test queries to assess retrieval effectiveness. In the evaluation phase, we applied various metrics like Precision@K, Recall@K, MAP, MRR, and NDCG, each revealing different strengths and limitations in capturing relevant tweets. Additionally, we visualized tweet clusters with T-SNE, showing dense groupings that reflected similarity. Overall, the project demonstrated the capabilities and challenges of using TF-IDF for short-text retrieval and highlighted potential areas for refinement in future implementations.