Cosine Similarity BM25 Examples

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Cosine Similarity

- A metric used to measure how similar two vectors are, regardless of their magnitude.
- In text analysis, these vectors represent documents or sentences as numerical feature vectors (often using methods like TF-IDF, Word2Vec, etc.).
- Cosine similarity measures the cosine of the angle between two non-zero vectors (eg.: A and B) in a multi-dimensional space.

Cosine Similarity =
$$\cos(\theta) = \frac{A \cdot B}{\|A\| \|B\|}$$

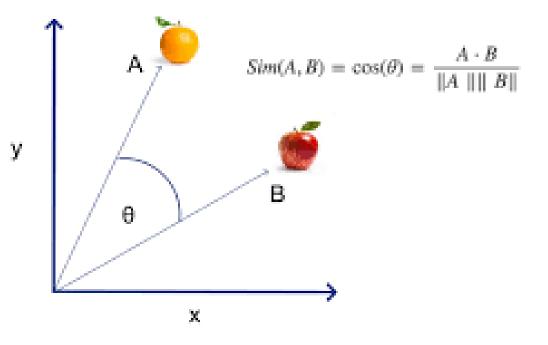
- A·B is the dot product of the two vectors
- ||A|| and ||B|| are the magnitudes (or Euclidean norms) of the vectors

Key Properties

Range: [-1, 1], but in text analysis, it's usually between 0 and 1 since TF-IDF and other frequency-based vectors are nonnegative.

- 1 = exactly the same direction (maximum similarity)
- 0 = orthogonal vectors (no similarity)
- -1 = opposite directions (inapplicable in most text tasks)

Cosine Similarity



Cosine Formula and Text Similarity

Suppose we have:

- Doc1: "I like machine learning"
- Doc2: "I enjoy learning about machines"

After tokenization and TF-IDF vectorization (simplified), you get:

- Vector1 = $[0.5, 0.5, 0.7, 0.0] \rightarrow$ corresponds to "I", "like", "machine", "learning"
- Vector2 = $[0.4, 0.0, 0.6, 0.6] \rightarrow$ corresponds to "I", "enjoy", "machine", "learning"

Then compute cosine similarity as:

$$\cos(heta) = rac{(0.5*0.4+0.5*0+0.7*0.6+0*0.6)}{\sqrt{0.5^2+0.5^2+0.7^2+0^2} imes \sqrt{0.4^2+0^2+0.6^2+0.6^2}} pprox 0.75$$

This tells us that Doc1 and Doc2 are fairly similar.

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Step 1: Preprocessing

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| Docs | Content |
|------|---|
| D1 | "Machine learning is amazing in applications!" |
| D2 | "Deep learning and machine learning improve Al applications." |
| D3 | "Applications of AI are growing in healthcare." |

Step 1.1: Convert to Lowercase

Why? Makes comparison case-insensitive.

| Docs | Processed Text |
|------|---|
| D1 | "machine learning is amazing in applications!" |
| D2 | "deep learning and machine learning improve ai applications." |
| D3 | "applications of ai are growing in healthcare." |

Step 1: Preprocessing

Step 1.2: Remove Punctuation

Why? Punctuation does not add meaning.

| Docs | Processed Text |
|-----------|--|
| D1 | "machine learning is amazing in applications" |
| D2 | "deep learning and machine learning improve ai applications" |
| D3 | "applications of ai are growing in healthcare" |

Step 1.3: Tokenization

Why? Splits text into individual words.

| Docs | Tokenized Text |
|------|---|
| D1 | ['machine', 'learning', 'is', 'amazing', 'in', 'applications'] |
| D2 | ['deep', 'learning', 'and', 'machine', 'learning', 'improve', 'ai', 'applications'] |
| D3 | ['applications', 'of', 'ai', 'are', 'growing', 'in', 'healthcare'] |

Step 1: Preprocessing

Step 1.4: Stopword Removal

Why? Removes common words (e.g., "is", "in", "of", "and") that don't carry much meaning.

Step 1.5: Stemming

Why? Reduces words to their root form (e.g., "running" → "run").

| Docs | After Stopword Removal |
|------|--|
| D1 | ['machine', 'learning', 'amazing', 'applications'] |
| D2 | ['deep', 'learning', 'machine', 'learning', 'improve', 'ai', 'applications'] |
| D3 | ['applications', 'ai', 'growing', 'healthcare'] |

| Docs | After Stemming |
|------|---|
| D1 | ['machine', 'learn', 'amaz', 'applic'] |
| D2 | ['deep', 'learn', 'machine', 'learn', 'improv', 'ai', 'applic'] |
| D3 | ['applic', 'ai', 'grow', 'healthcar'] |

Step 2: Compute TF-IDF (After Preprocessing)

Step 2.1: Compute Term Frequency (TF)

$$TF = rac{ ext{Number of times term appears in document}}{ ext{Total words in document}}$$

| Term | D1 (4 words) | D2 (7 words) | D3 (4 words) |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| machine | 1/4 = 0.25 | 1/7 = 0.14 | 0 |
| learn | 1/4 = 0.25 | 2/7 = 0.29 | 0 |
| applic | 1/4 = 0.25 | 1/7 = 0.14 | 1/4 = 0.25 |
| ai | 0 | 1/7 = 0.14 | 1/4 = 0.25 |
| healthcar | 0 | 0 | 1/4 = 0.25 |

Step 2.2: Compute Inverse Document Frequency (IDF)

$$IDF = \log \left(rac{ ext{Total Documents}}{ ext{Documents Containing Term}}
ight)$$

| Term | Docs Containing Term (DF) | IDF = log(3/DF) |
|-----------|---------------------------|------------------|
| machine | 2 | log(3/2) = 0.176 |
| learn | 2 | log(3/2) = 0.176 |
| applic | 3 | log(3/3) = 0 |
| ai | 2 | log(3/2) = 0.176 |
| healthcar | 1 | log(3/1) = 0.477 |

Step 2: Compute TF-IDF

Step 2.3: Compute TF-IDF

| Term | TF-IDF D1 | TF-IDF D2 | TF-IDF D3 |
|-----------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| machine | $0.25 \times 0.176 = 0.044$ | $0.14 \times 0.176 = 0.025$ | 0 |
| learn | $0.25 \times 0.176 = 0.044$ | $0.29 \times 0.176 = 0.051$ | 0 |
| applic | $0.25 \times 0 = 0$ | $0.14 \times 0 = 0$ | $0.25 \times 0 = 0$ |
| ai | $0 \times 0.176 = 0$ | $0.14 \times 0.176 = 0.025$ | $0.25 \times 0.176 = 0.044$ |
| healthcar | $0 \times 0.477 = 0$ | $0 \times 0.477 = 0$ | $0.25 \times 0.477 = 0.119$ |

Step 3: Compute Cosine Similarity

Query: "machine learning applications" Assumed Query TF-IDF Vector:

Query: [0.3, 0.4, 0.2, 0, 0]

$$\cos(heta) = rac{A \cdot B}{\|A\| \|B\|}$$

| Term | Query (Q) | D1 | D2 | D3 |
|-----------|-----------|-------|-------|-------|
| machine | 0.3 | 0.044 | 0.025 | 0 |
| learn | 0.4 | 0.044 | 0.051 | 0 |
| applic | 0.2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ai | 0 | 0 | 0.025 | 0.044 |
| healthcar | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.119 |

Compute Dot Products

 $Q \cdot D1 = (0.3 \times 0.044) + (0.4 \times 0.044) = 0.026$ $Q \cdot D2 = (0.3 \times 0.025) + (0.4 \times 0.051) = 0.028$ $Q \cdot D3 = 0$

Compute Cosine Similarity

- Cos(Q, D1) = 0.91
- Cos(Q, D2) = 0.93
- Cos(Q, D3) = 0.50

Final Ranking

- 1. D2: Most relevant
- 2. D1: Second most relevant
- 3. D3: Least relevant

BM25

BM25: Best Matching 25

A ranking function used in search engines to estimate the relevance of documents to a given query. It is part of a broader family called probabilistic retrieval models and improves upon simpler models like TF-IDF.

At its core, BM25 is an advanced version of TF-IDF that:

IDF

- Rewards documents that have more occurrences of the query terms (like TF).
- Penalizes very long documents (because they tend to match more words just because they are long).
- Uses term saturation meaning adding the same word over and over gives diminishing returns.

avgdl

BM25 formula

Given:

- $f(q_i, D)$ = frequency of query term q_i in document D
- /D/= length of document D (number of words)
- avgdl = average document length in the corpus
- k_1 = term frequency scaling parameter (usually around 1.2–2.0)
- b = length normalization parameter (usually around 0.75)

$$ext{BM25}(D,Q) = \sum_{q_i \in Q} ext{IDF}(q_i) imes rac{f(q_i,D) imes (k_1+1)}{f(q_i,D) + k_1 imes \left(1 - b + b imes rac{|D|}{ ext{avgdl}}
ight)}$$

Where:

- *N* = total number of documents
- $n(q_i)$ = number of documents containing q_i

$$ext{IDF}(q_i) = \log\left(rac{N-n(q_i)+0.5}{n(q_i)+0.5}+1
ight)$$

Key Points & Intuition

- TF scaling: The impact of a term appearing 10 times vs. 20 times flattens out.
- Document length normalization: Longer documents are not unfairly advantaged.
- IDF factor: Terms that appear in fewer documents are given more importance (like TF-IDF).

BM25 tries to balance between:

- How often the query words appear in the document (TF)
- How rare the query words are across all documents (IDF)
- How long the document is (penalizes too-long documents)

Comparison: Cosine Similarity vs BM25

| Feature | Cosine Similarity | BM25 |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Based on | Vector angle | Probabilistic model |
| Normalization | Vector length | Document length (adjustable) |
| Saturation of term freq | No | Yes |
| Common in | Embedding models, TF-IDF search | Traditional search engines |

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Step 1: Preprocessing (Same as Before)

We'll use the same **preprocessed documents** as before:

| Docs | Processed Text |
|------|---|
| D1 | ['machine', 'learn', 'amaz', 'applic'] |
| D2 | ['deep', 'learn', 'machine', 'learn', 'improv', 'ai', 'applic'] |
| D3 | ['applic', 'ai', 'grow', 'healthcar'] |

Step 2.1: Define BM25 Formula

$$BM25(D,Q) = \sum_{t \in Q} IDF(t) \cdot rac{TF(t,D) \cdot (k_1+1)}{TF(t,D) + k_1 \cdot (1-b+b \cdot rac{|D|}{ ext{avgdl}})}$$

- TF(t,D) = term frequency in document D
- |D| = document length
- avgdl = average document length across all documents
- $k_1=1.5$ (controls saturation of term frequency)
- b = 0.75 (controls document length normalization)
- $IDF(t) = \log\left(\frac{N-DF+0.5}{DF+0.5} + 1\right)$

Step 2.2: Compute Document Length & Average Step 2.3: Compute IDF for Each Term Document Length

Document Length:

 $D1 \rightarrow 4$

 $D2 \rightarrow 7$

 $D3 \rightarrow 4$

$$\text{avgdl} = \frac{4+7+4}{3} = \frac{15}{3} = 5$$

$$IDF(t) = \log\left(rac{N-DF+0.5}{DF+0.5}+1
ight)$$

| Term | DF (Docs Containing Term) | IDFIDFIDF |
|-----------|---------------------------------|--|
| machine | 2 | log((3-2+0.5)/(2+0.5)+1) = log(1.5) = 0.176 |
| learn | 2 | log(1.5)=0.176 |
| applic | 3 | log(1)=0 |
| ai | 2 | log(1.5)=0.176 |
| healthcar | 1 | log(2.5)=0.477 |

BM25 for D1

Step 2.4: Compute BM25 Score for Each Document

We'll assume **k1=1.5k_1 = 1.5k1=1.5 and b=0.75b = 0.75b=0.75**.

Query: "machine learning applications"

Query terms: [machine, learn, applic]

$$BM25(D1,Q) = IDF(machine) imes rac{TF + 1.5}{TF + 1.5(1 - 0.75 + 0.75 imes (4/5))}$$

"machine"

$$BM25(D1) = 0.176 imes rac{1.0 imes (1.5 + 1)}{1.0 + 1.5 imes (1 - 0.75 + 0.75 imes (4/5))}$$

$$=0.176 imesrac{2.5}{1+1.5 imes0.85}=0.176 imesrac{2.5}{2.275}=0.176 imes1.1=0.194$$

"learn"

$$BM25(D1)+=0.176 imesrac{1.0 imes(1.5+1)}{1.0+1.5 imes(1-0.75+0.75 imes(4/5))}$$
 $=0.176 imes1.1=0.194$

"applic"

$$BM25(D1)+=0 imes ext{(anything)}=0$$
 $BM25(D1,Q)=0.194+0.194+0=0.388$

BM25 for D2 "machine"

$$BM25(D2) = 0.176 imes rac{1.0 imes (1.5 + 1)}{1.0 + 1.5 imes (1 - 0.75 + 0.75 imes (7/5))} \ = 0.176 imes rac{2.5}{1 + 1.5 imes 1.05} = 0.176 imes rac{2.5}{2.575} = 0.176 imes 0.97 = 0.171$$

"learn"

$$BM25(D2)+=0.176 imesrac{2.0 imes(1.5+1)}{2.0+1.5 imes(1-0.75+0.75 imes(7/5))} \ =0.176 imesrac{3.5}{3.575}=0.176 imes0.98=0.172$$

"applic"

$$BM25(D2)+=0 imes ext{(anything)}=0 \ BM25(D2,Q)=0.171+0.172+0=0.343$$

BM25 for D3

"machine"

$$BM25(D3) = 0.176 \times 0 = 0$$

"learn"

$$BM25(D3) + = 0.176 \times 0 = 0$$

"applic"

$$BM25(D3)+=0 imes ext{(anything)}=0$$
 $BM25(D3,Q)=0+0+0=0$

Step 3: Final Ranking

| Docs | BM25 Score |
|------|------------|
| D1 | 0.388 |
| D2 | 0.343 |
| D3 | 0 |

Final Order

- 1 D1 (Most Relevant)
- 2 **D2**
- 3 D3 (Not Relevant)

Conclusion

- BM25 differs from TF-IDF!
 - TF-IDF gave D2 as most relevant
 - BM25 gives D1 as most relevant
- BM25 accounts for document length
 - D1 had shorter length → higher BM25 score
 - D2 had longer length → BM25 penalized it slightly
- BM25 is better for ranking search results
 - It models real-world search relevance better than TF-IDF.

Python Code

The code will:

- 1. Preprocess the text (Tokenization, Stopword Removal, Stemming)
- 2. Compute TF-IDF & Cosine Similarity
- 3. Compute BM25
- 4. Rank documents using both methods

```
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import math
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer
from sklearn.metrics.pairwise import cosine_similarity
from collections import Counter
from nltk.tokenize import word_tokenize
from Sastrawi.Stemmer.StemmerFactory import StemmerFactory
# Sample Documents
documents = [
    "Machine learning has amazing applications",
    "Deep learning and machine learning improve AI applications",
    "AI applications are growing in healthcare"
query = "machine learning applications"
```

```
# Preprocessing (Tokenization, Stopword Removal, Stemming)
factory = StemmerFactory()
stemmer = factory.create stemmer()
def preprocess(text):
    tokens = word_tokenize(text.lower())
    return ' '.join([stemmer.stem(word) for word in tokens])
documents = [preprocess(doc) for doc in documents]
query = preprocess(query)
# TF-IDF Vectorization
vectorizer = TfidfVectorizer()
tfidf_matrix = vectorizer.fit_transform(documents)
query_vector = vectorizer.transform([query])
# Cosine Similarity Calculation
cosine_sim = cosine_similarity(query_vector, tfidf_matrix)[0]
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# BM25 Calculation
k1 = 1.5
b = 0.75
N = len(documents)
avgdl = sum(len(doc.split()) for doc in documents) / N
df = Counter()
for doc in documents:
    for word in set(doc.split()):
        df[word] += 1

idf = {word: math.log((N - df[word] + 0.5) / (df[word] + 0.5) + 1) for word in df}
```

```
def bm25_score(doc, query):
    words = doc.split()
    dl = len(words)
    score = 0
    for term in query.split():
        tf = words.count(term)
        if tf == 0:
            continue
        numerator = tf * (k1 + 1)
        denominator = tf + k1 * (1 - b + b * dl / avgdl)
        score += idf.get(term, 0) * (numerator / denominator)
    return score
bm25_scores = [bm25_score(doc, query) for doc in documents]
```

```
# Ranking Results
cosine ranked = sorted(zip(range(len(documents)), cosine sim), key=lambda x:
x[1], reverse=True)
bm25_ranked = sorted(zip(range(len(documents)), bm25_scores), key=lambda x:
x[1], reverse=True)
# Print Results
print("Ranking by Cosine Similarity:")
for idx, score in cosine ranked:
    print(f"Document {idx + 1}: Score = {score:.4f}")
print("\nRanking by BM25:")
for idx, score in bm25 ranked:
    print(f"Document {idx + 1}: Score = {score:.4f}")
```