

# Machine Learning HW4 Report

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1. The most common words in each cluster are shown in the following picture. In these words, some of them are labels of each cluster, but most of them are irrelevant words.

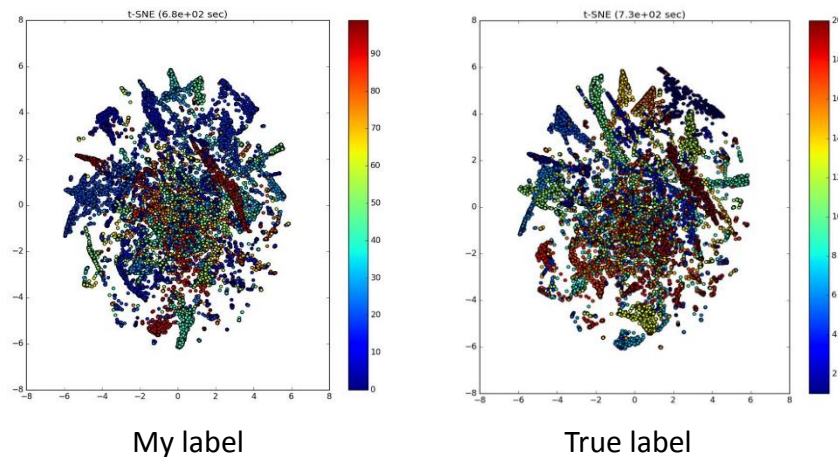
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cluster 0 : wordpress: 872 to: 327 in: 266 a: 231 how: 204
cluster 1 : oracle: 761 to: 348 in: 284 a: 276 how: 208
cluster 2 : svn: 602 to: 362 a: 307 subversion: 283 how: 246
cluster 3 : apache: 609 to: 381 how: 170 a: 169 in: 139
cluster 4 : excel: 863 to: 379 in: 374 a: 272 how: 228
cluster 5 : matlab: 831 in: 470 a: 314 to: 313 how: 228
cluster 6 : visual: 677 studio: 649 in: 401 to: 376 a: 230
cluster 7 : a: 336 in: 312 cocoa: 310 to: 296 how: 237
cluster 8 : mac: 438 to: 357 os: 292 on: 287 x: 263
cluster 9 : bash: 665 a: 447 to: 406 in: 383 how: 263
cluster 10 : spring: 818 to: 278 in: 244 a: 206 how: 169
cluster 11 : hibernate: 859 to: 318 in: 242 a: 207 how: 165
cluster 12 : scala: 811 in: 366 to: 288 a: 281 how: 185
cluster 13 : sharepoint: 742 a: 356 in: 290 to: 284 how: 190
cluster 14 : ajax: 733 to: 258 a: 174 in: 166 how: 160
cluster 15 : qt: 627 to: 312 in: 297 a: 283 how: 216
cluster 16 : drupal: 851 to: 316 in: 294 a: 253 how: 181
cluster 17 : linq: 858 to: 468 a: 284 in: 227 how: 185
cluster 18 : haskell: 724 in: 410 a: 254 to: 214 how: 165
cluster 19 : magento: 880 in: 345 to: 286 how: 171 a: 152
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If a word is an irrelevant word, then its Term frequency (TF) should be high, Inverse-document Frequency (IDF) should be low, and  $TF \cdot IDF$  should be low. So, I adjust the max document frequency and min document frequency of `TfidfVectorizer` function to get rid of those words with  $DF > 0.4$  (proportion of the whole document) &  $DF < 2$ . Before using TF-IDF, the public score is 0.20, private score is 0.20, after removing these words using TF-IDF, the public score is 0.467, private score is 0.466, which shows a great improvement by deleting irrelevant words.

In my best model, I use `stop_words = 'english'` in my program, which removes the words in the `stop_word` list provided by `sklearn`, and the public score is 0.885, private score is 0.883.

So, by merely removing the stop words, the result improved 0.68.

2.



I used TSNE to plot these two figures. The left figure is plotted by labels produced in my program, and from this figure we can see that blue and red points at the edges gathered together. The right figure is colored by true labels. We can see that more points are gathered together than the left figure. So from these two figures, I found that there exists some differences between the labels produced by the model and the true labels, and that's why the score of this model is only 0.83, not good enough.

3. The first feature extraction method I used is TF-IDF. I set  $\text{max\_df} = 0.4$ ,  $\text{min\_df} = 2$ . With TF-IDF, the private score I got is 0.343, public score is 0.343.

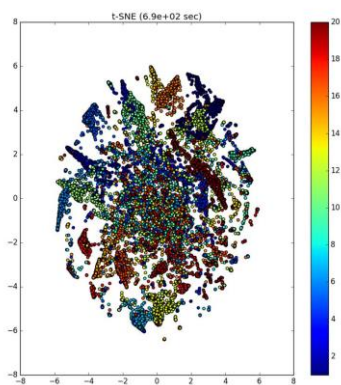
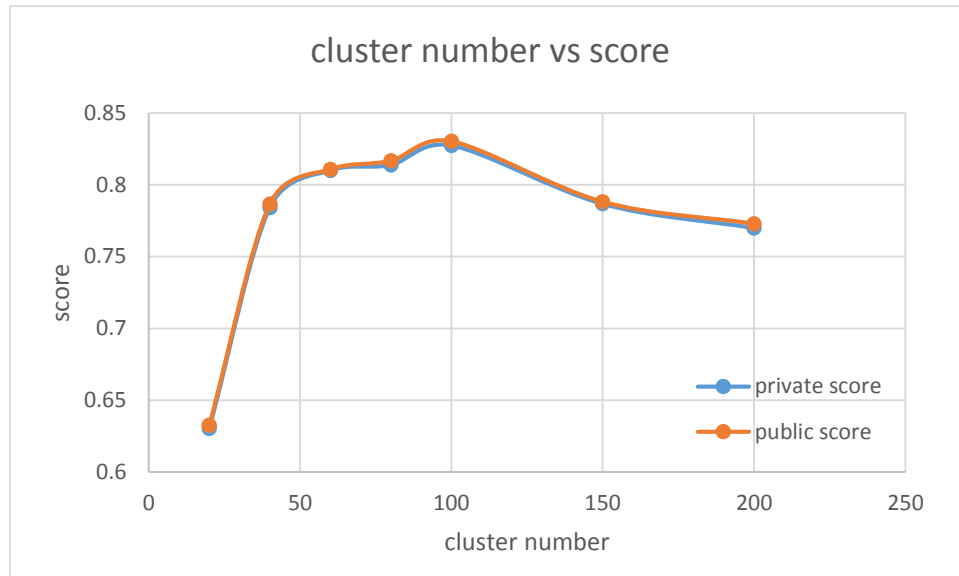
The second method I use is LSA. I have tried different  $\text{n\_component}$ , and found that  $\text{n\_component} = 20$  gives the best results. With LSA ( $\text{x\_component} = 20$ ), the private score = 0.466, and public score 0.467.

The third method I used is removing stopwords. By using the stopwords list provided by sklearn, the private score I got is 0.538, the private score I got is 0.541. Which shows that removing stopwords improves the results a lot.

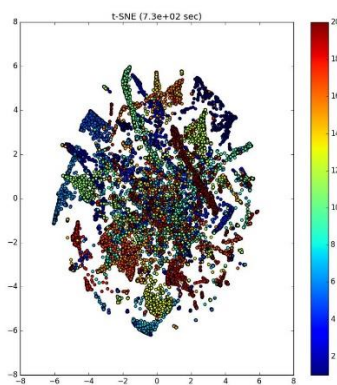
The forth method I use is Bag-of-word. This method count the number of different words and store these numbers as features. The private score is 0.308, and the public score is 0.310. I think the reason why Bag of word doesn't give a good result is that it doesn't get rid of those irrelevant words.

In my best model, I also use two kinds of stem, Porter stem and Lancaster stem. With these two kinds of stem and LSA + TF-IDF + removing stopwords, the result of public score becomes 0.885, and the result of private score becomes 0.883.

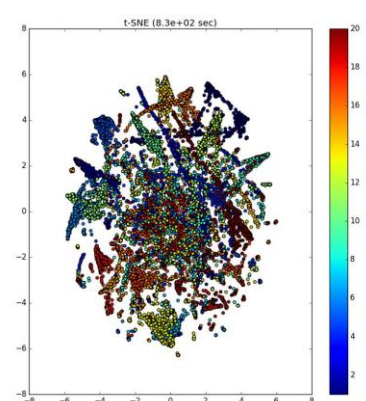
4. The figure below shows the public score and private score while using different cluster numbers. The results show that cluster number affects the scores a lot. From cluster number =20 to cluster number =40, the score improves almost 0.15. Cluster number = 100 gives the best public score and private score, which are 0.83 & 0.827 respectively.



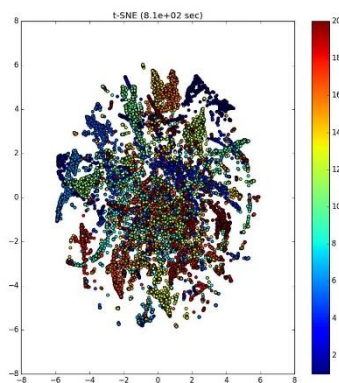
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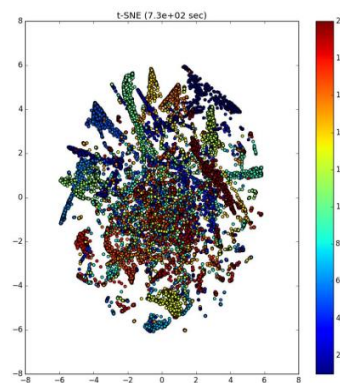
Cluster = 40



Cluster = 60



Cluster = 80



Cluster = 100